Discussion on quasi-PDFS

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Crucial aspects of calculation

1. Are there better alternatives for the Fourier transform to the x-space?

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Alternative Fourier

Standard Fourier (SF):

$$\tilde{q}(x) = 2P_3 \int_{-z_{\text{max}}}^{z_{\text{max}}} \frac{dz}{4\pi} e^{ixzP_3} h(z)$$

can be written using integration by parts (DF):

$$\tilde{q}(x) = h(z) \frac{e^{ixzP_3}}{2\pi ix} \Big|_{z_{\max} - z_{\max}}^{z_{\max}} - \int_{-z_{\max}}^{z_{\max}} \frac{dz}{2\pi} \frac{e^{ixzP_3}}{ix} h'(z)$$

[H.W. Lin et al., arXiv:1708.05301]

Surface term ignored, but contribution non-negligible if matrix elements have not decayed to zero at some z_{max}
 The 1/x in the surface term may lead to uncontrolled effect for small values of x



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- Truncation at zmax (SF) vs neglecting surface term (DF) (latter non-negligible numerically)
- ***** Oscillations reduced for DF, but small-x not well-behaved
- SF, DF different systematics, but DF may have enhanced cut-off effects

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2. How do we control contamination from excited states effects when the nucleon is boosted with high momentum?

Parameters of ETMC calculation

[C. Alexandrou et al., (PRL), arXiv:1803.02685], [C. Alexandrou et al., arXiv:1807.00232]

Nucleon momentum & statistics:

$P = \frac{6\pi}{L}$ (0.83 GeV)			$P = \frac{8\pi}{L}$ (1.11 GeV)			$P = \frac{10\pi}{L}$ (1.38 GeV)		
Ins.	$N_{\rm conf}$	$N_{\rm meas}$	Ins.	$N_{\rm conf}$	$N_{\rm meas}$	Ins.	$N_{\rm conf}$	$N_{\rm meas}$
γ_3	100	9600	γ_3	425	38250	γ_3	811	72990
γ_0	50	4800	γ_0	425	38250	γ_0	811	72990
$\gamma_5\gamma_3$	65	6240	$\gamma_5\gamma_3$	425	38250	$\gamma_5\gamma_3$	811	72990

Excited states investigation: $T_{\text{sink}} = 8a, 9a, 10a, 12a$ ($T_{\text{sink}} = 0.75, 0.84, 0.094, 1.13 \text{fm}$)

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But limitations in max momentum due to comput. cost

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Bare matrix elements Unpolarized: 1.4 $P\simeq 0.83~{ m GeV}$ $P \simeq 0.83 \text{ GeV}$ $\operatorname{Im}\left[h_{u-d}\right]$ Re $[h_{u-d}]$ 0.4 $P \simeq 1.11 \text{ GeV}$ $P \simeq 1.11 \text{ GeV}$ 1.2 $P \simeq 1.38 \text{ GeV}$ $P \simeq 1.38 \text{ GeV}$ 1 0.2 0.8 0.6 0.4 -0.2 0.2 -0.4 0 -15 -10 -15 -10 -5 15 -5 10 15 0 5 10 0 5 z/az/a

Similar general features for polarized and transversity
 Highest priority: deliver reliable results

Analyses techniques:

***** Single-state fit, Two-state fit, Summation method

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Conclusions:

- Tsink=8a heavily contaminated by excited states
- ***** Tsink=9a-10a not consistent within uncertainties
 - Crucial to have same error for reliable 2-state fit
 - Excited states worsen as momentum P increases
 - For momenta in this work, Tsink=1fm is safe

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Non-predictible behavior (depends in *z* value)
 Real and imaginary part affected differently

Conclusions:

Excited states uncontrolled for Tsink <1fm</p>

Multi-sink analysis <u>demands</u> same accuracy for all data

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