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#### **Relevant publications**

- The Mellin moments (x) and (x<sup>2</sup>) for the pion and kaon from lattice QCD,
   C. Alexandrou, S. Bacchio, I. Cloet, M. Constantinou, K. Hadjiyiannakou, G. Koutsou, C. Lauer, [arXiv:2104.02247]
- The pion and kaon (x<sup>3</sup>) from lattice QCD and PDF reconstruction from Mellin moments,
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#### **Technical Aspects**

Parameters (define cost of simulations): quark masses (aim at physical values) lattice spacing (ideally fine lattices) lattice size (need large volumes)

#### Discretization not unique: Wilson, Clover, Twisted Mass, Staggered, Overlap, Domain Wall, Mixed actions







[M. Constantinou, Plenary Lattice 2014]





[C. Alexandrou et al., PRD 102 (2020) 5, 054517]







#### A. Motivation

#### **B.** Mellin moments in lattice QCD

### **C.** Reconstruction of PDFs

**D.** SU(3) flavor symmetry breaking

#### E. Summary

#### **Pions and Kaons**

- Pions and Kaons belong to the octet of Nambu-Goldstone bosons (dynamical chiral symmetry breaking (DCSB))
- ★ Mass difference between pion and kaon can help understand the interplay between QCD dynamics and quark mass effects
- **★** Experimental data only for the pion (pion induced Drell-Yan reaction) and for the limited region  $x \in [0.21 0.99]$  [J. S. Conway et al., PRD 39, 92 (1989)]

**★** Contradictory conclusions on the large-x behavior of pion PDF:

- initial E615 data show a  $(1 x)^1$  behavior
- reanalysis of E615 data shows a  $(1 x)^2$  fall [R. Holt et al., RMP 82, 2991 (2010)], [M. Aicher et al., PRL 105, 252003 (2010)]
- **DSE predict**  $(1 x)^2$  fall [K. Bednar et al. PRL 124, 042002 (2020)]
- ★ Lattice QCD calculations using non-local operators do not reach to a consensus [M. Constantinou, EPJA 57, 77 (2021), arXiv:2010.02445]

**EIC will address pion and kaon structure** [EIC Yellow Report, arXiv:2103.05419], [Aguilar et al., EPJA 55, 190 (2019)]

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 $\equiv \alpha_{e}(M_{z}^{2}) = 0.1179 \pm 0.0010$ 

O [GeV]

0.25

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#### Non perturb. part provides information on partonic structure of hadrons



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#### ★ Mellin moments have physical interpretation: spin, mass, ...





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Kinematic factors based on symmetry properties

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★ Avoiding mixing increases the computational cost!

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#### **Non-perturbative Renormalization**



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[M. Constantinou et al., JHEP 08, 068 (2010), arXiv:1004.1115]

#### ★ Chiral extrapolation (negligible)

	$\beta = 1.726, \ a = 0.09$	3 fm
$a\mu$	$am_{PS}$	lattice size
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- **★** Subtraction of  $\mathcal{O}(g^2 a^{\infty})$ 
  - [M. Constantinou et al., PRD 91, 014502 (2015), arXiv:1408.6047]
- ★ Conversion & evolution to  $\overline{MS}(2 \text{ GeV})$

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### **Recapitulation**

★ Matrix elements of pion and kaon coupled with local operators

#### $\star$ Isolation of ground state

**★** Renormalization

#### **★** Extraction of Mellin moments



# **Mellin Moments**


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# **PDF** reconstruction



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- ★ Large-x region: 2-state fit higher than small Tsink values
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