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Pion and Kaon Distribution Amplitudes from Lattice QCD

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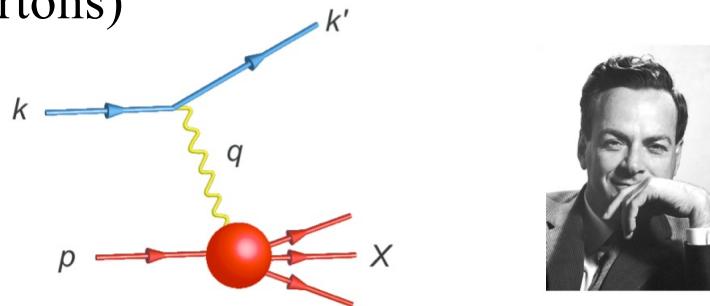
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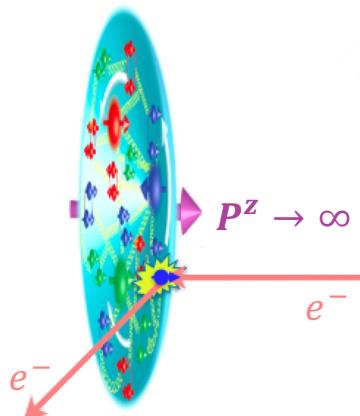
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Introduction

- Our understanding of hadron structure has greatly advanced since **deep-inelastic scattering** experiments showed that the proton contains much smaller **point-like** objects (Feynman's partons)



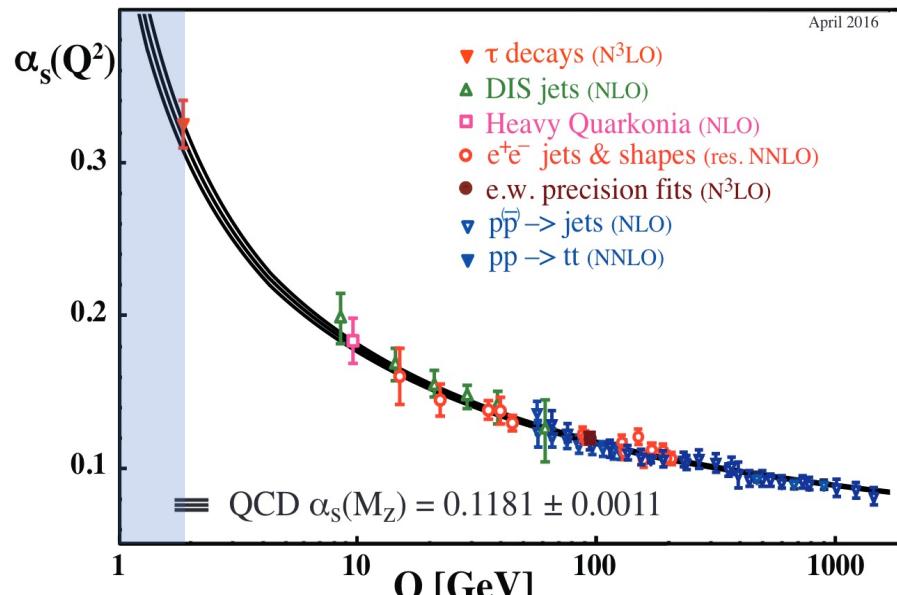
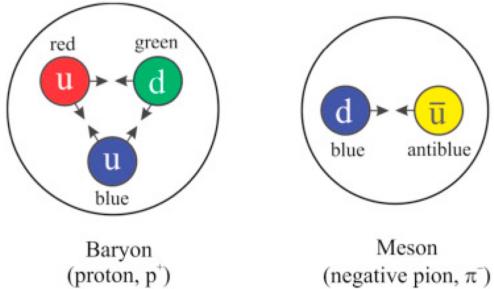
R. Feynman
Nobel prize in 1965



- **Ultra-relativistic (1D, pie shape):**
Quarks and gluons “frozen” in the transverse plane due to the time dilation effect.
- **Parton model (1969, R. Feynman):**
During a hard collision, the proton can be approximate as a beam of free particles that Feynman called partons.

Introduction

➤ Color confinement and asymptotic freedom



➤ QCD factorization

$$\left| \begin{array}{c} e(l') \\ e(l) \end{array} \right\rangle \left\langle \begin{array}{c} h(p) \\ k \end{array} \right| \approx \left| \begin{array}{c} e(l') \\ e(l) \end{array} \right\rangle \left\langle \begin{array}{c} xp, k_T \\ \otimes \end{array} \right| \left| \begin{array}{c} h(p) \\ k_T \end{array} \right\rangle$$

Cross section

Asymptotic freedom
(hard kernel)

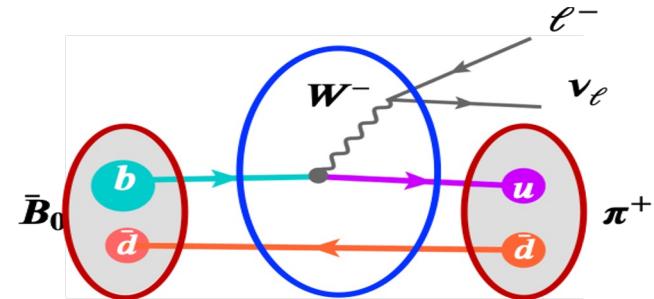
Color confinement
(Parton in hadron)

1-dimensional
parton density
(PDF, DA)

Introduction



➤ Hadron distribution amplitudes (DAs) are important inputs in the description of hard exclusive processes



➤ At leading-twist, they represent the distribution of longitudinal momentum among quarks in the leading Fock state of a hadron

➤ Among these, the simplest one is the pion DA

$$\int \frac{d\xi^-}{2\pi} e^{ixp^+\xi^-} \langle 0 | \bar{\psi}_1(0) n \cdot \gamma \gamma_5 U(0, \xi^-) \psi_2(\xi^-) | \pi(p) \rangle = i f_\pi \Phi_\pi(x)$$

➤ It is important for many phenomenological applications, e.g.

- $B \rightarrow \pi l \nu_l, B \rightarrow \pi \pi, \dots$
- $\gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma \pi, \gamma \gamma \rightarrow \pi \pi$
- $eN \rightarrow eN\pi$
- $B \rightarrow K^* l^+ l^-$
- $B \rightarrow \phi l^+ l^-$
- ...

Introduction



1980

42 Years

2022

- **Asymptotic LCDAs**
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Lattice QCD

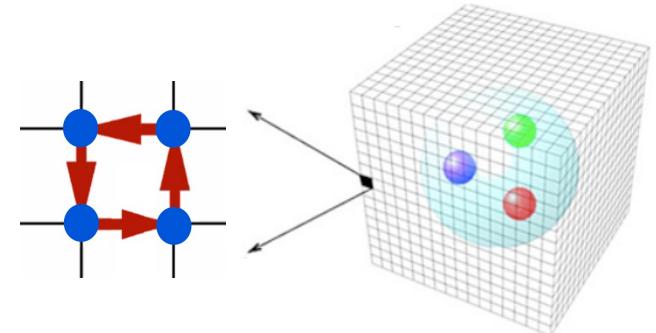


➤ Numerical simulation in discretized 4D Euclidean space-time;

➤ Lattice QCD: action

$$S_E^{\text{latt}} = - \sum_{\square} \frac{6}{g^2} \text{Re} \text{tr}_N \left(U_{\square, \mu\nu} \right) - \sum_q \bar{q} \left(D_{\mu}^{\text{latt}} \gamma_{\mu} + am_q \right) q$$

Wilson gauge action
Lattice fermion action



➤ Correlation functions:

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(U, q, \bar{q}) \rangle = \frac{\int [DU] e^{-S_{\text{glue}}^{\text{latt}}} \prod_q \det(D_{\mu}^{\text{latt}} \gamma_{\mu} + am_q) \tilde{\mathcal{O}}(U)}{\int [DU] e^{-S_{\text{glue}}^{\text{latt}}} \prod_q \det(D_{\mu}^{\text{latt}} \gamma_{\mu} + am_q)}$$

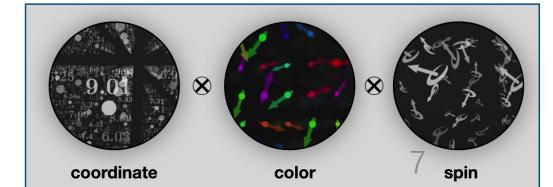
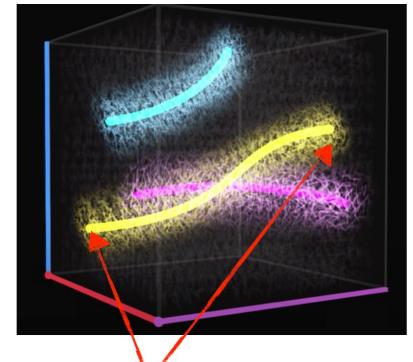
➤ Monte Carlo simulation:

- The integration is performed for all link variables: $n_s^3 \times n_t \times N_{\text{color}} \times N_{\text{spin}}$

- Importance sampling: $e^{-S_{\text{glue}}^{\text{latt}}}(U) \prod_q \det(D_{\mu}^{\text{latt}}(U) \gamma_{\mu} + am_q)$

- Therefore

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(U, q, \bar{q}) \rangle = \frac{1}{N_{\text{conf}}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{conf}}} \tilde{\mathcal{O}}(U^{(k)})$$

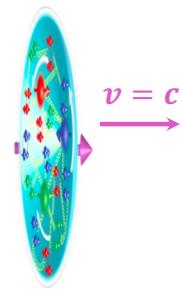


Large-Momentum effective theory

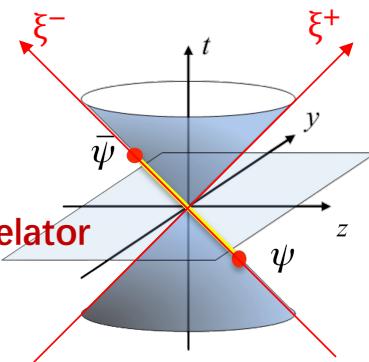


- DAs/PDFs are defined from correlation functions on the light-cone:

infinite-momentum frame



Light-like correlator



DA/PDF (or more general parton physics):

Minkowski space, real time

infinite momentum frame, on the light-cone

Light-cone DA:

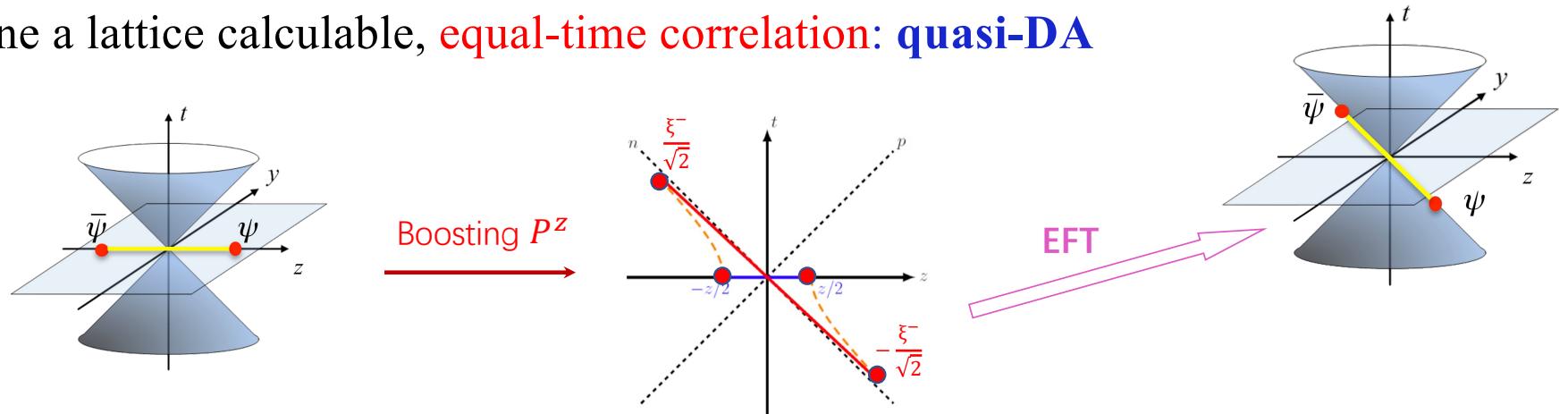
$$q(x) = \int \frac{d\xi^-}{2\pi} e^{-ixP^+\xi^-} \left\langle 0 \left| \bar{\psi}\left(\frac{\xi^-}{2}\right) [\dots] \psi\left(-\frac{\xi^-}{2}\right) \right| P^+ \right\rangle \sim \langle 0 | \psi^\dagger(xP^+) [\dots] \psi(xP^+) | P^+ \rangle$$

Light-like coordinates: $\xi^\pm = \frac{t \pm z}{\sqrt{2}}$

Cannot deal by Lattice QCD directly !

Large-Momentum effective theory

- Define a lattice calculable, equal-time correlation: **quasi-DA**



- Effective field theory:

- Instead of taking $P^z \rightarrow \infty$ calculation, one can perform an expansion for **large but finite P^z** :

$$\tilde{q}(x, P^z, \mu) = \int \frac{dy}{|y|} \underset{\text{Quasi-DA}}{C(x, y, P^z, \mu)} \underset{\text{LCDA}}{q(y, \mu)} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda^2, M^2}{(P^z)^2}\right)$$

Matching kernel

Power suppressed by $m^2/(P^z)^2, \Lambda^2/(P^z)^2$



Light cone distribution by LaMET

➤ Pion LCDA:

I. Calculate the bare quasi-DA correlation

$$\tilde{h}(z, a, P_z) = \langle 0 | \bar{\psi}_1(0) n_z \cdot \gamma \gamma_5 U(0, z) \psi_2(z) | \pi(P) \rangle$$

II. Non-perturbative renormalization

$$\tilde{h}(z, a, P_z) = Z(z, a) \tilde{h}_R(z, a, P_z)$$

III. Fourier transform (Extrapolation)

$$if_\pi \tilde{\phi}_\pi(x, P_z) = \int \frac{dz}{2\pi} e^{-ixzP_z} \tilde{h}_R(z, a \rightarrow 0, P_z)$$

IV. Matching to light cone

$$\tilde{\phi}_\pi(x, P_z) = \int dy Z(x, y, P_z, \mu) \phi(x, \mu) + p.c.$$

I . Bare quasi-LF correlation

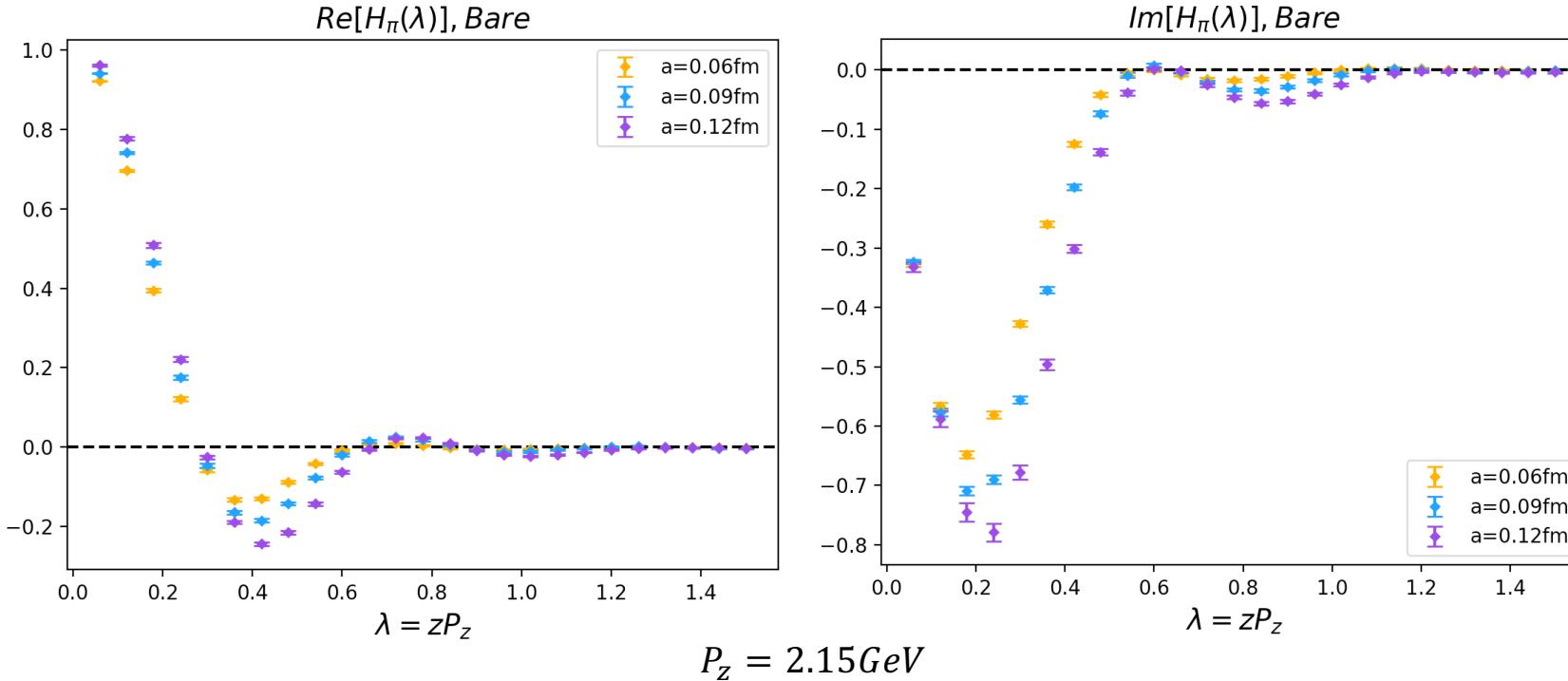


- We simulate on MILC ensembles at 3 lattice spacings: $a \approx 0.12, 0.09, 0.06 \text{ fm}$ and physical point

Pion two point correlator:

$$\Gamma_1 = \gamma^z \gamma_5, \Gamma_2 = \gamma_5$$

$$C_2^m(z, \vec{P}, t) = \int d^3y e^{-i\vec{P} \cdot \vec{y}} \langle 0 | \bar{\psi}_1(\vec{y}, t) \Gamma_1 U(\vec{y}, \vec{y} - z\hat{z}) \psi_2(\vec{y} - z\hat{z}, t) \bar{\psi}_2(0, 0) \Gamma_2 \psi_1(0, 0) | 0 \rangle$$

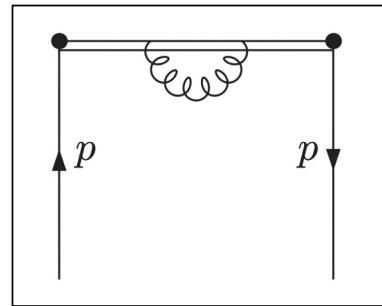


I . Bare quasi-LF correlation

- The main reason for the deviations of different lattice spacings is the **linear divergence**

Matrix element:

$$\langle P | \bar{\psi}(0) U(0, z) \psi(z) | P \rangle$$

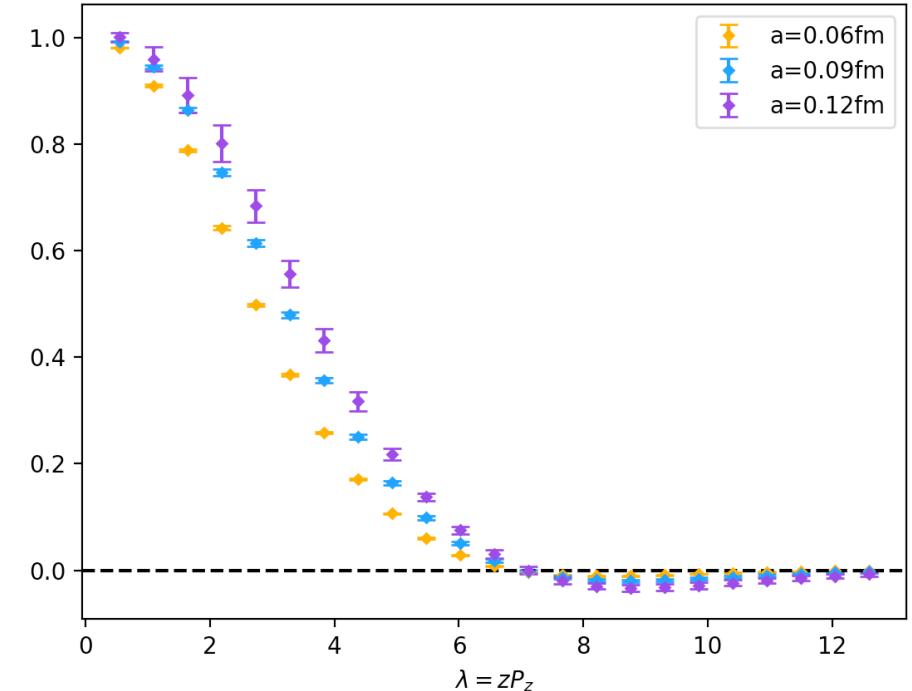


$$M(z) \sim \exp\left(-\frac{C(\alpha)z}{a}\right) f(z)$$

z : non-local separation

- Linear divergence comes from **self-energy of gauge link**

$$e^{\frac{izP_z}{2}} H_\pi(z), \text{Bare}$$



II. Non-perturbative renormalization



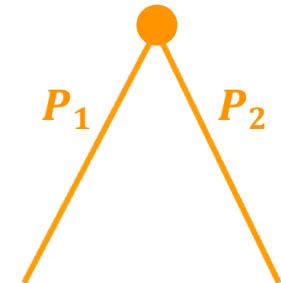
- The quasi-LF correlation operator is **multiplicatively renormalized**

$$[\bar{\psi}(z)\Gamma W(z,0)\psi(0)]_B = e^{\delta m|z|} Z [\bar{\psi}(z)\Gamma W(z,0)\psi(0)]_R$$

$\langle P | \bar{\psi}(z) \Gamma W(z,0) \psi(0) | P \rangle / \langle X | \bar{\psi}(z) \Gamma W(z,0) \psi(0) | X \rangle$ is UV finite

Some proposals:

- RI/MOM: Alexandrou et al, NPB 17', Stewart, Zhao, PRD 18'
 $|X\rangle$ is chosen as a single off-shell quark state
Free from power-divergent mixings
- Ratio: Radyushkin, PRD 17'
 $|X\rangle$ is chosen as a zero momentum hadron state
Cancellation of discretization effects
- VEV: Braun et al, PRD 19'
 $|X\rangle$ is chosen as the vacuum
Without complicated external state



II. Non-perturbative renormalization

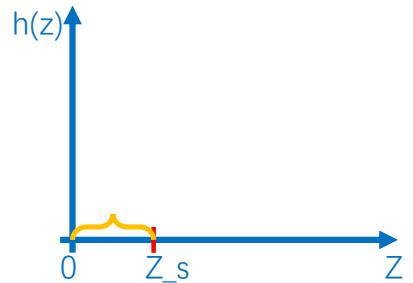
- To solve to problem: Undesired IR effects(Residual linear divergence) at large distances

Possible Solution: self renormalization LPC (Huo, Su et al (LPC), NPB 21')

- Fitting the bare matrix elements at multiple lattice spacings to

$$\ln \mathcal{M}(z, a) = \frac{kz}{a \ln[a \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}]} + m_0 z + g'(z) + f(z)a + \frac{3C_F}{b_0} \ln \left[\frac{\ln[1/(a \Lambda_{\text{QCD}})]}{\ln[\mu/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}]} \right] + \ln \left[1 + \frac{d}{\ln(a \Lambda_{\text{QCD}})} \right]$$

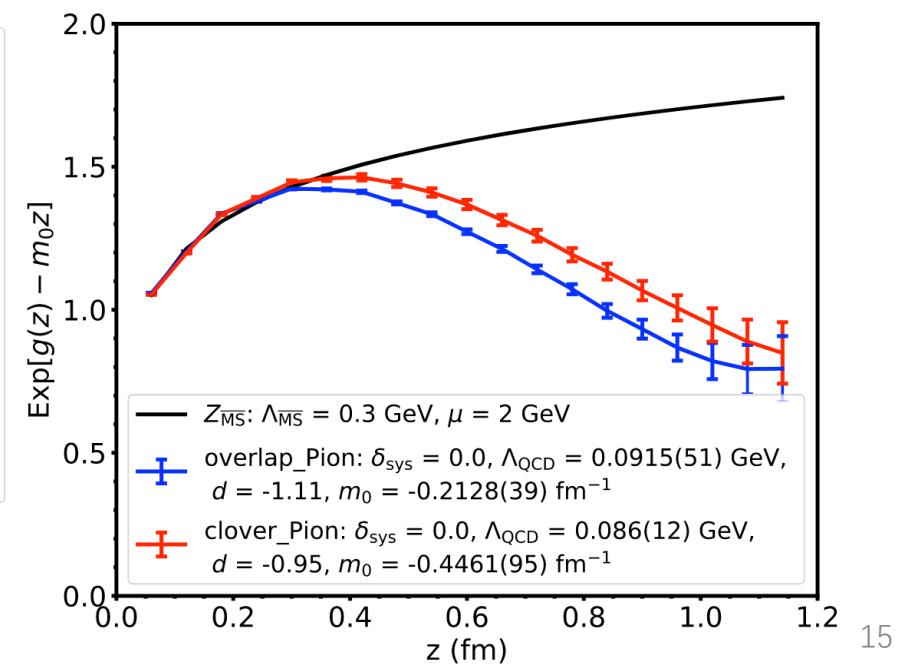
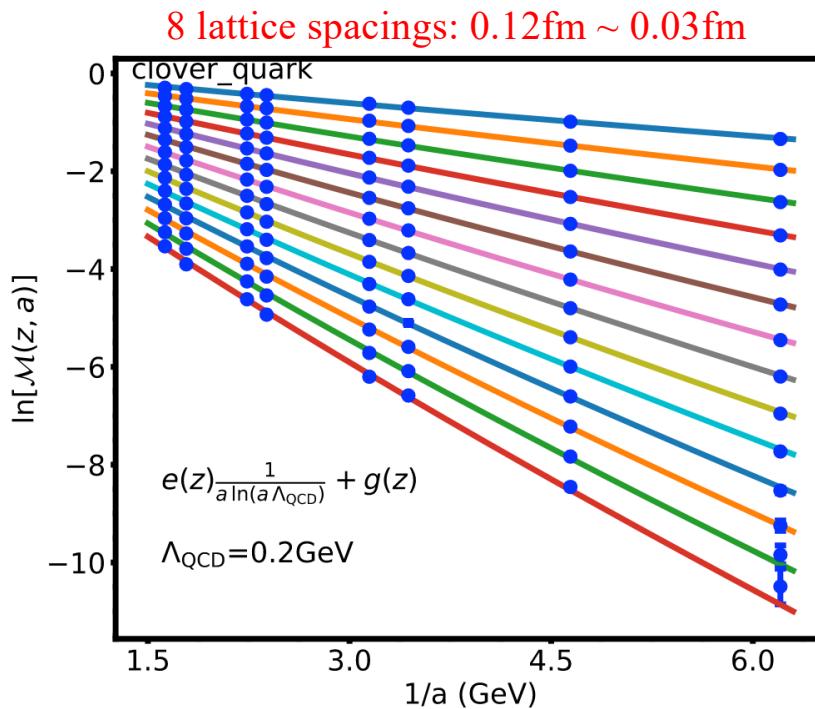
- The pieces other than $g'(z)$ are renormalization factors
- Renormalon ambiguity m_0 can be determined by matching the renormalized matrix element to the continuum $\overline{\text{MS}}$ result at short distance
- Such renormalized matrix element can then, in principle, be matched to the light-cone distribution using the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ matching



II. Non-perturbative renormalization

- To solve to problem: Undesired IR effects(Residual linear divergence) at large distances

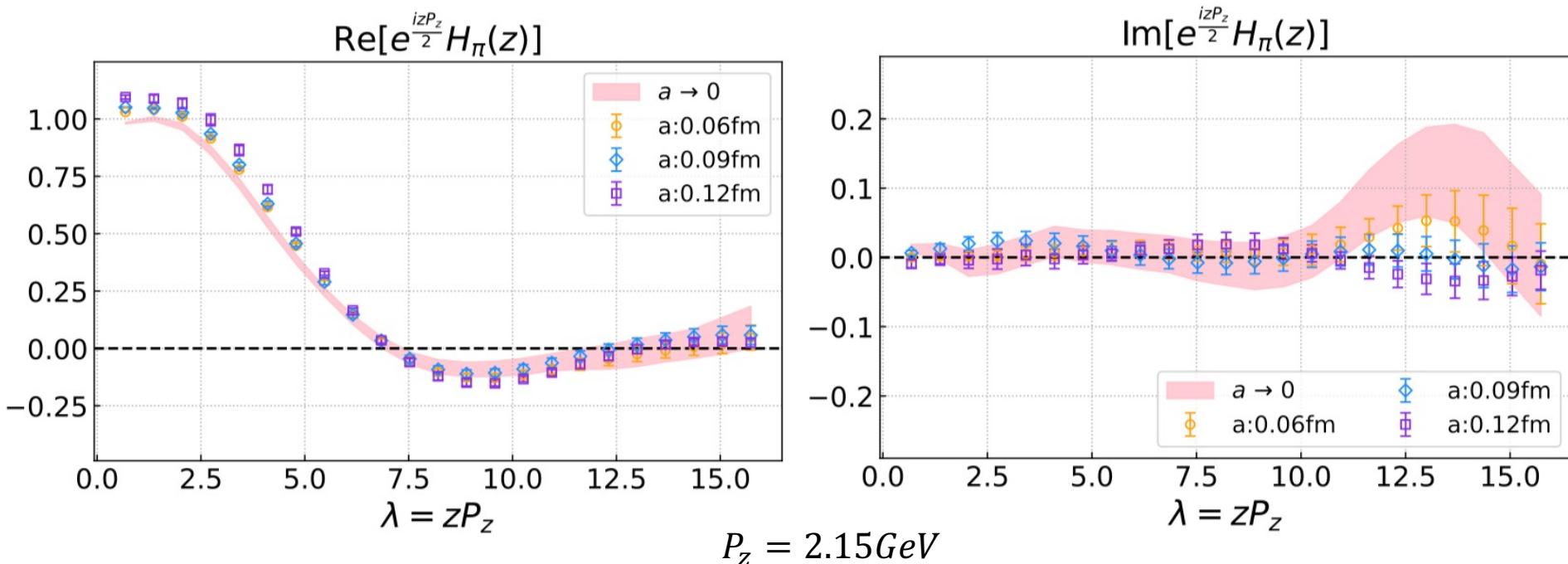
The only possible solution : self renormalization [LPC\(Huo, Su et al, NPB 21'\)](#)



II. Non-perturbative renormalization

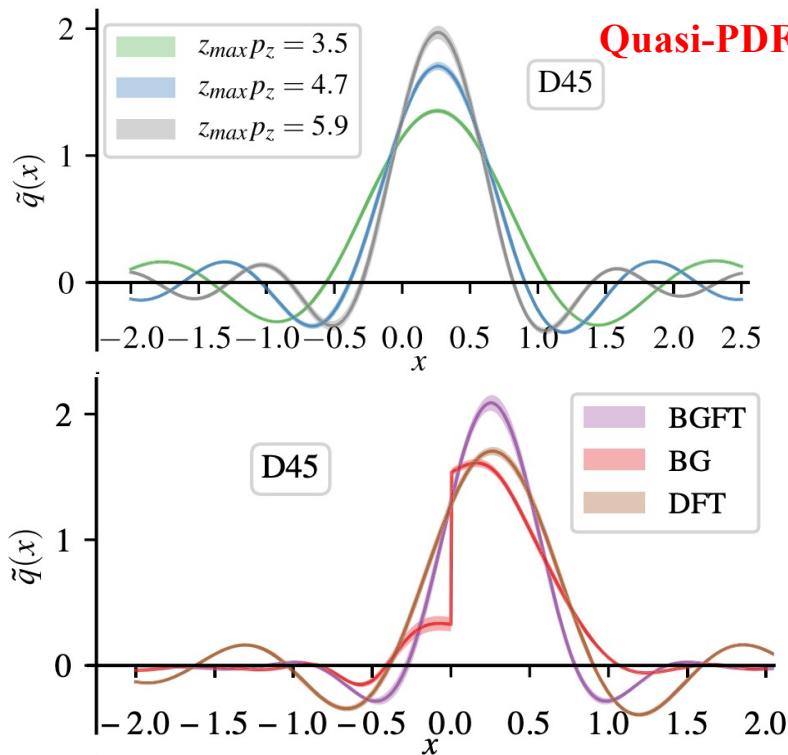
➤ Application of **Self renormalization**: pion DA

- Renormalized quasi-DA of difference lattice spacings



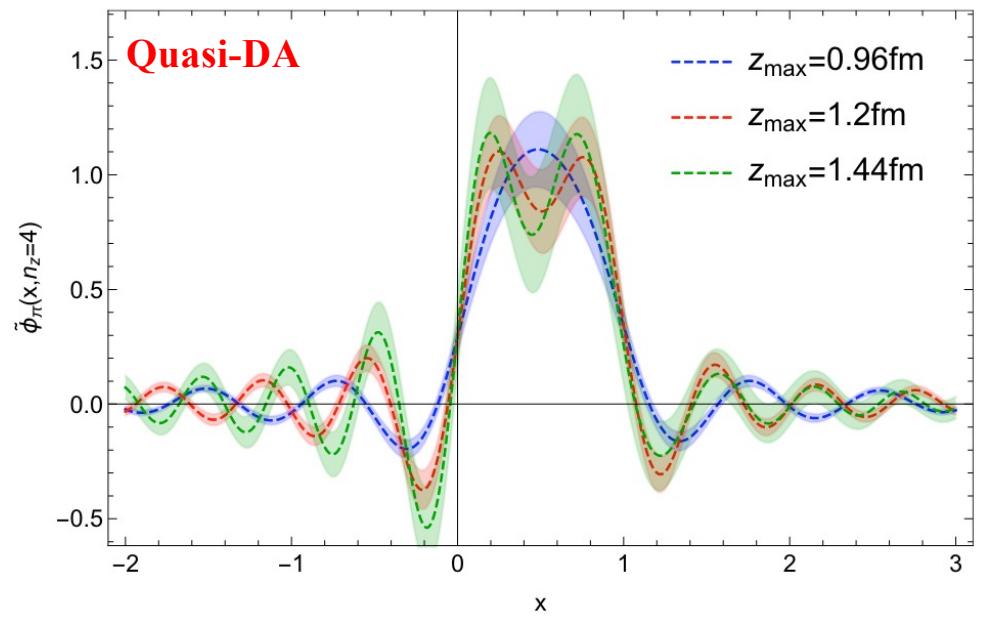
III. FT and Extrapolation

- Truncated FT introduces high frequency oscillations(systematic) uncertainty



e . g . Backus – Gilbert method & Bayes – Gauss – FT

Alexandrou et al, PRD 21'



R. Zhang et al, PRD 20'

III. FT and Extrapolation



- **Extrapolation to asymptotic distance** Ji et al, NPB 21'
- Lattice data (available up to limited z_{max}/λ_{max}) may be supplemented with physics-based extrapolation

➤ Application in Vector DA:

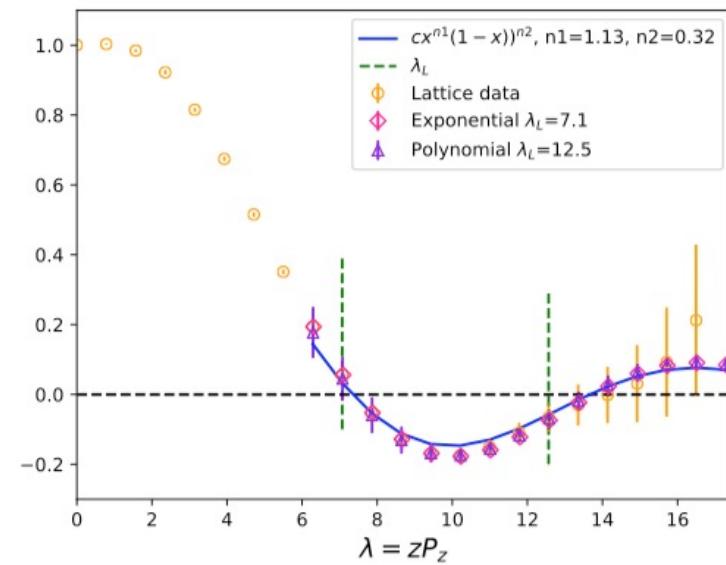
- Asymptotic behavior at $x \sim 0, 1$:

$$\psi(x) \sim x^a (1-x)^b$$

- Two extrapolation form:

$$\tilde{H}(z, P_z) = \left[\frac{c_1}{(-i\lambda)^a} + e^{i\lambda} \frac{c_2}{(i\lambda)^b} \right] e^{-\frac{\lambda}{\lambda_0}},$$

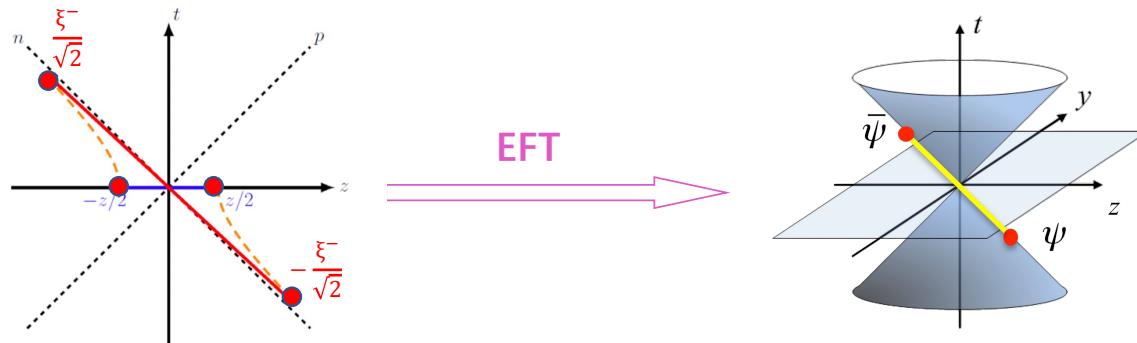
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Jun et al (LPC), PRL 21'

IV. Factorization / matching

➤ From quasi → light cone



➤ Factorization or matching formular

$$q(x, P^z, \mu) = \int dy C^{-1}(x, y, P^z, \mu) \tilde{q}(y, \mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{(xP^z)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{((1-x)P^z)^2}\right)$$

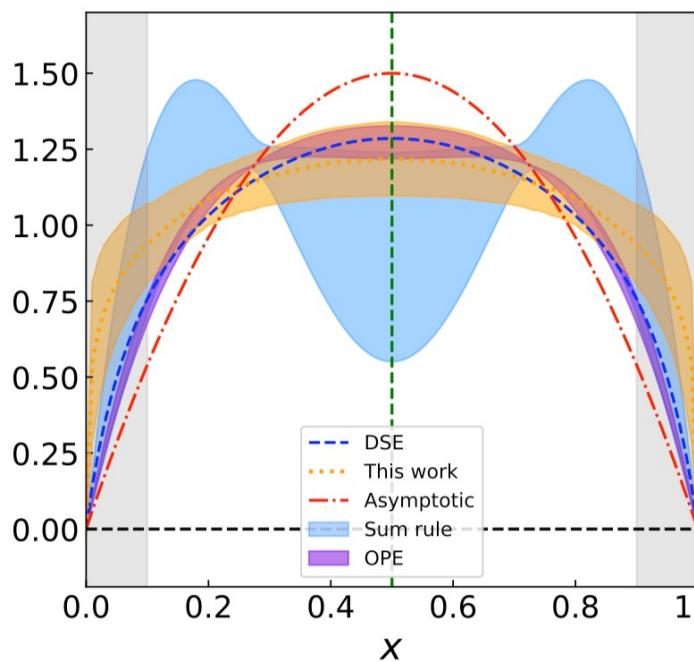
LCDA Perturbative calculation Quasi-DA

Large momentum expansion breaks down in end point region:

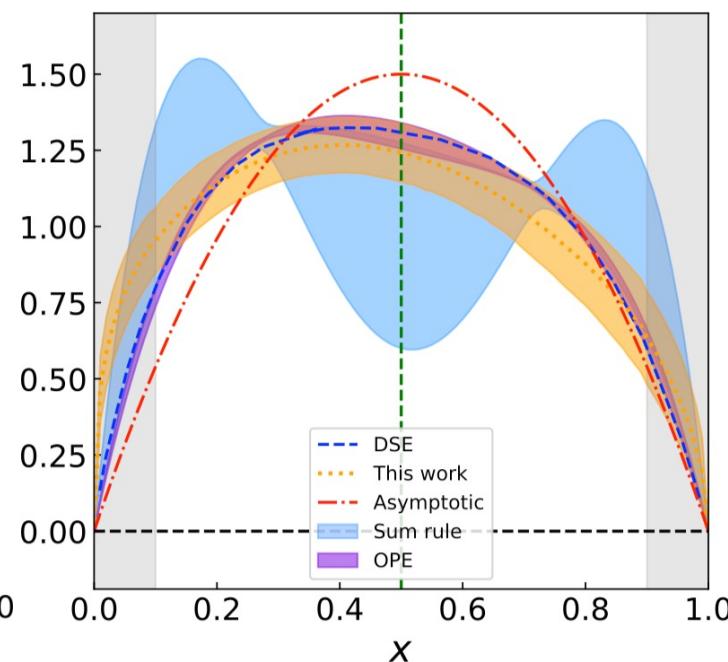
$xP^z \sim \Lambda_{QCD}$; $(1-x)P^z \sim \Lambda_{QCD}$; For $P_{max}^z = 2.15 \text{ GeV}$, reliable region: $(0.1, 0.9)$

LCDA Numerical Results

π LCDA:



K LCDA:



- MILC, 3 lattice spacings:
(0.12, 0.09, 0.06) fm,
Largest assemble ($96^3 \times 192$)
- 3 momentum:
(1.29, 1.72, 2.15) GeV
- mass:
 $\pi: 0.13\text{GeV}, K: 0.49\text{GeV}$



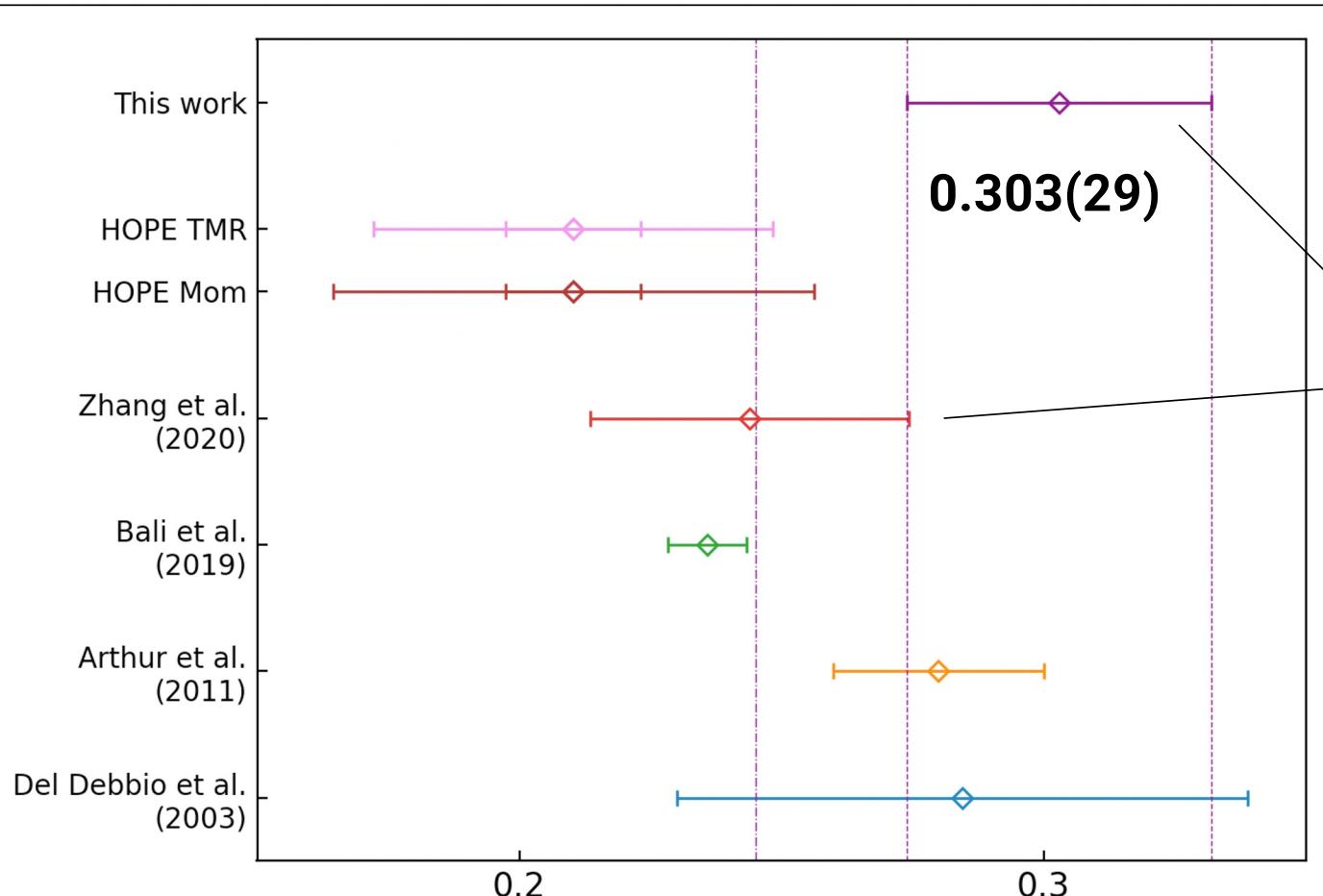
Summary



- Precise knowledge of meson LCDAs are important for understanding various hard exclusive processes
- LaMET and Lattice QCD now allow to do ab initio calculations of these meson DAs and make a comparison with measurements
- Self renormalization scheme have been applied to avoid undesired IR effects
- Extrapolation strategies have been applied to facilitate FT to momentum space

Thank you for your attentions!

Back up slides



$$\langle \xi^n \rangle = \int_0^1 dx (2x - 1)^n \phi_\pi(x, \mu^2),$$

- Renormalization method
- Extrapolation in the coordinate space

Back up slides



$$\ln \mathcal{M}(z, a) = \frac{kz}{a \ln [a \Lambda_{QCD}]} + m_0 z + r(z) + f_z a + \frac{3C_F}{b_0} \ln \left[\frac{\ln \left[1/(a \Lambda_{QCD}) \right]}{\ln [\mu/\Lambda_{QCD}]} \right] + \ln \left[1 + \frac{d}{\ln (a \Lambda_{QCD})} \right]$$

Diagram illustrating the components of the logarithmic term in the equation:

- Linear divergence
- Renormalon ambiguity
- Residual
- Discretization error
- Resummation of log divergence

The terms $m_0 z$, $r(z)$, and $f_z a$ are circled in red, and the entire term $\frac{3C_F}{b_0} \ln \left[\frac{\ln \left[1/(a \Lambda_{QCD}) \right]}{\ln [\mu/\Lambda_{QCD}]} \right]$ is enclosed in a red box.