



Nucleon charge and magnetisation distributions: flavour separation and zeroes

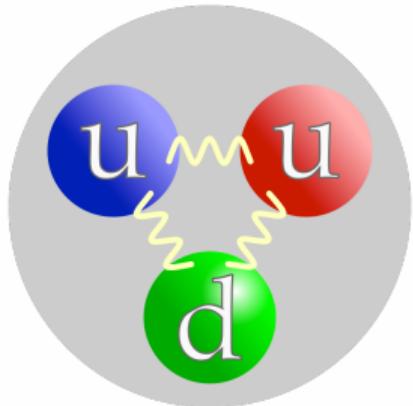
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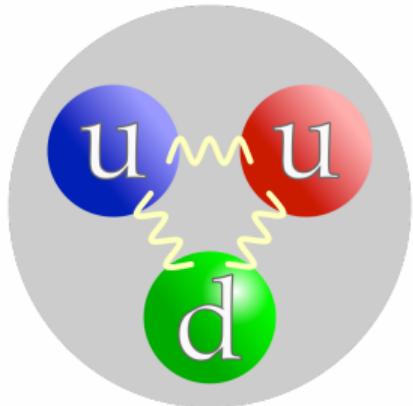
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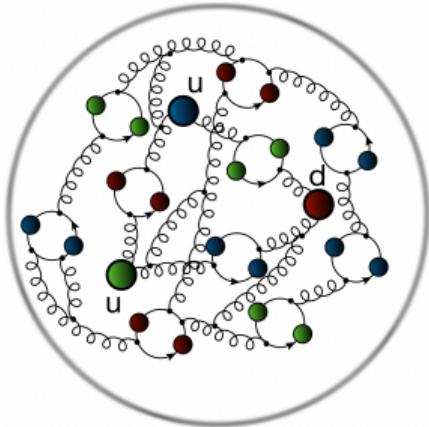
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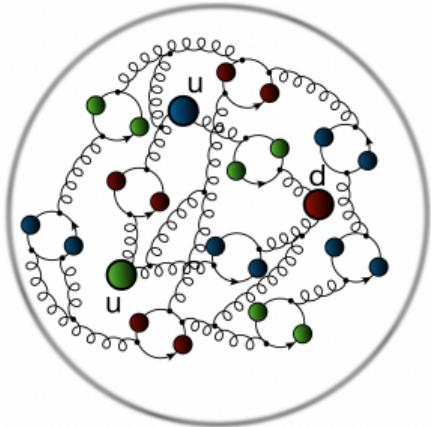
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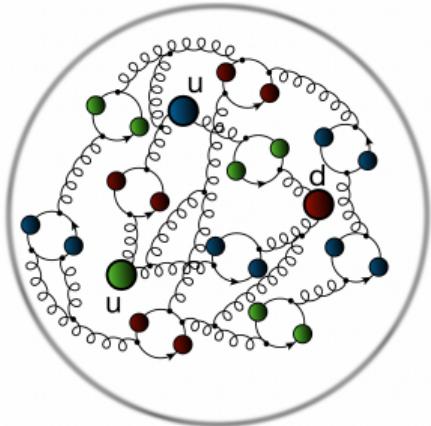
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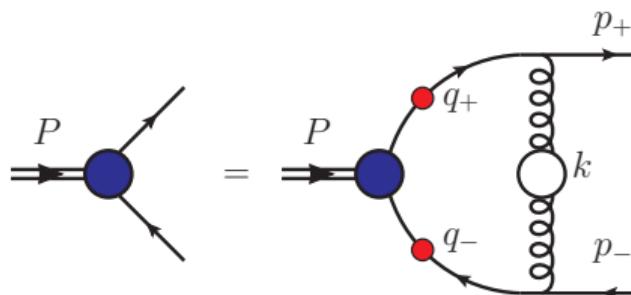
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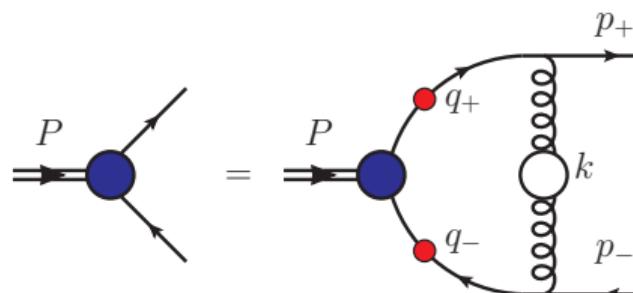
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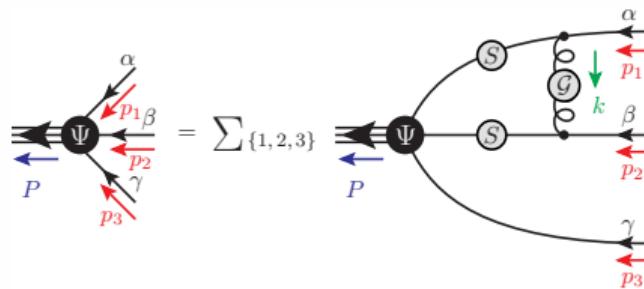
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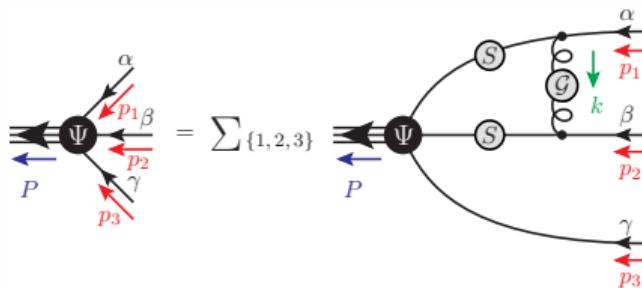


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It can be expressed in terms of the basis $X_{i,\alpha\beta\gamma\mathcal{I}}(p, q, P)$ which satisfy the orthogonal relation

$$\frac{1}{4} \text{Tr}[\bar{X}_{i,\beta\alpha\delta\gamma} X_{j,\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}] = \delta_{ij},$$

reading

$$\psi_{\alpha\beta\gamma\mathcal{I}}^\rho(p, q, P) := \sum_i^{64} f_i^\rho(p^2, q^2, z_0, z_1, z_2) X_{i,\alpha\beta\gamma\mathcal{I}}(p, q, P),$$

f_i^ρ (to be determined) depend on the five Lorentz-invariant variables.

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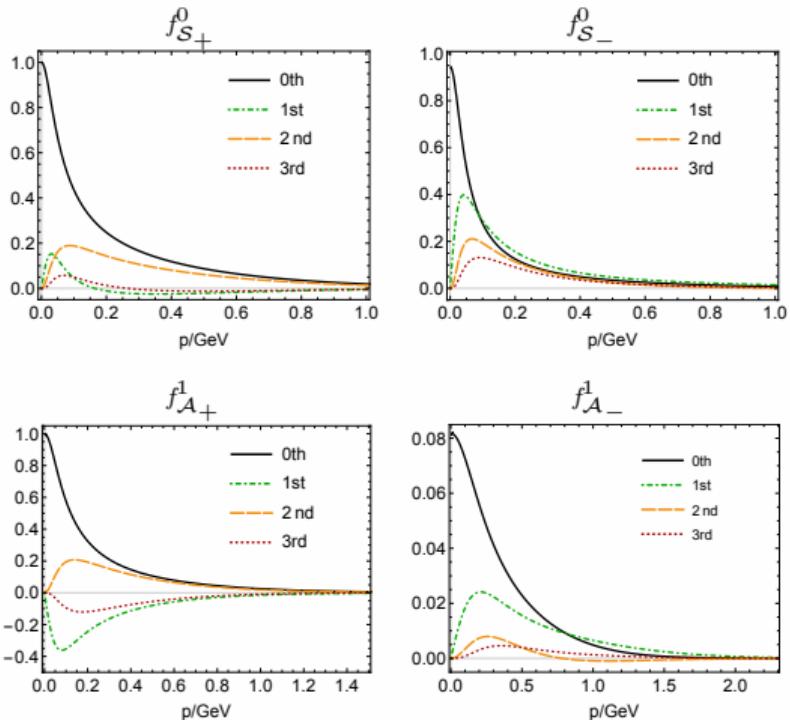
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- The dominant contributions to $\psi_{\alpha\beta\gamma\mathcal{I}}^\rho(p, q, P)$ are given by

$$\mathcal{S}_\pm := \Lambda_\pm \gamma_5 C \otimes \Lambda_+;$$

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$\Lambda_+(\hat{P}) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma \cdot \hat{P})$ is the nucleon's positive-energy projector.



First four Chebyshev moments in the variable z_1 of the dressing functions evaluated at $q = 0$. All the amplitudes normalise by $f_{S+}^0(p = 0)$.

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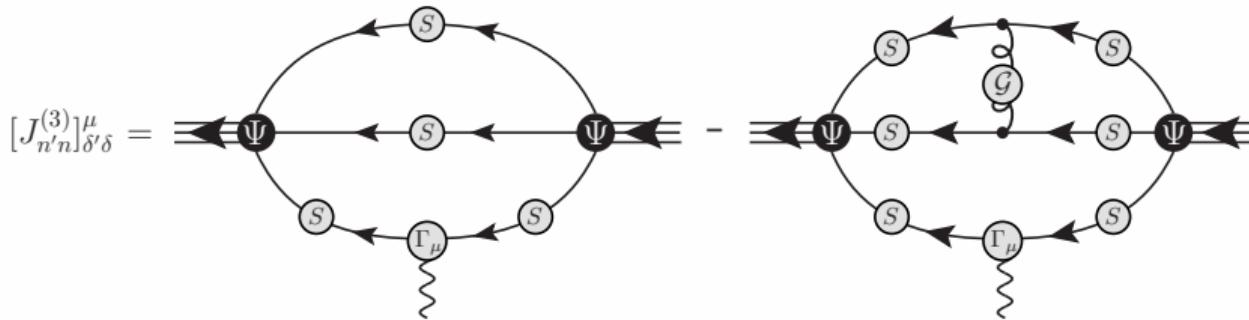
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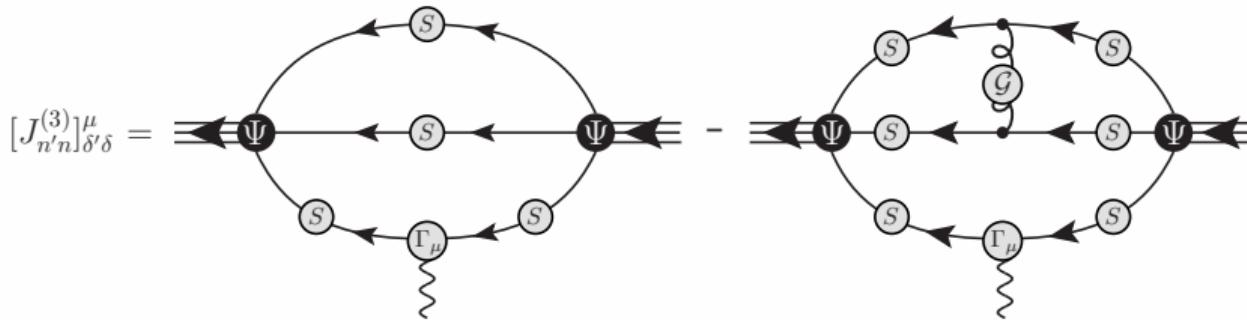
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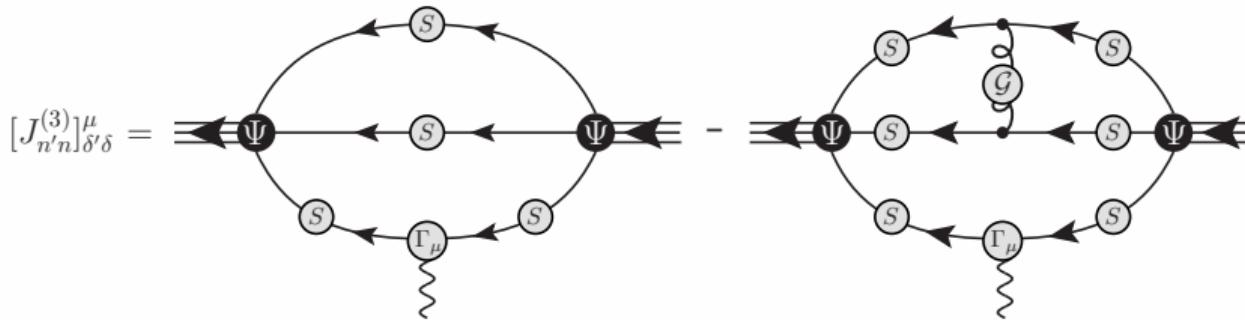
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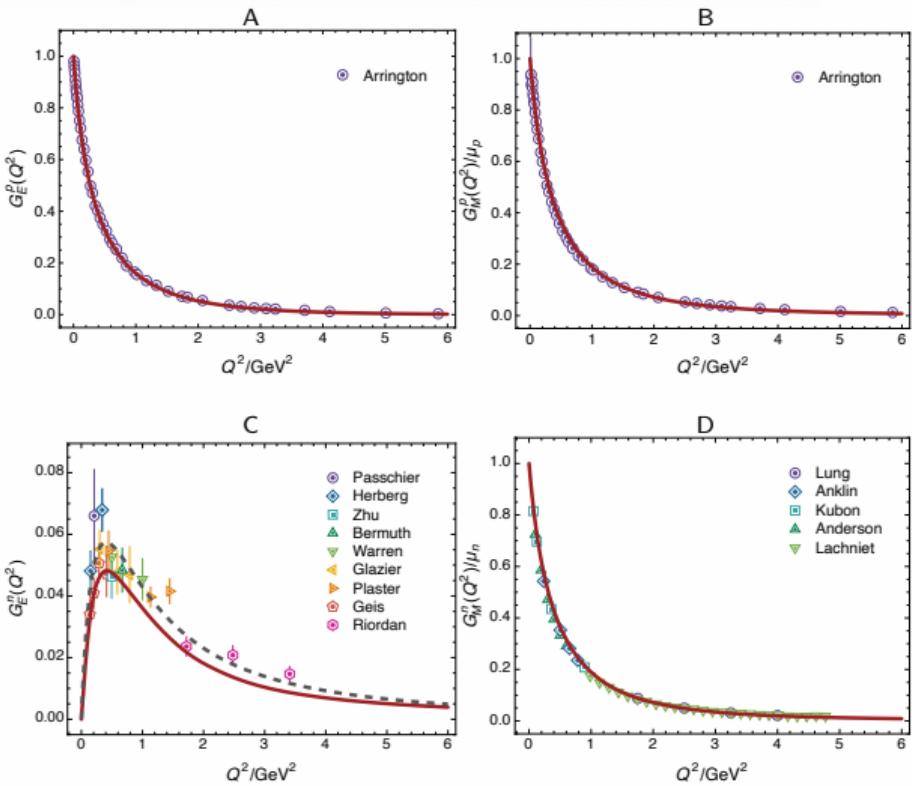
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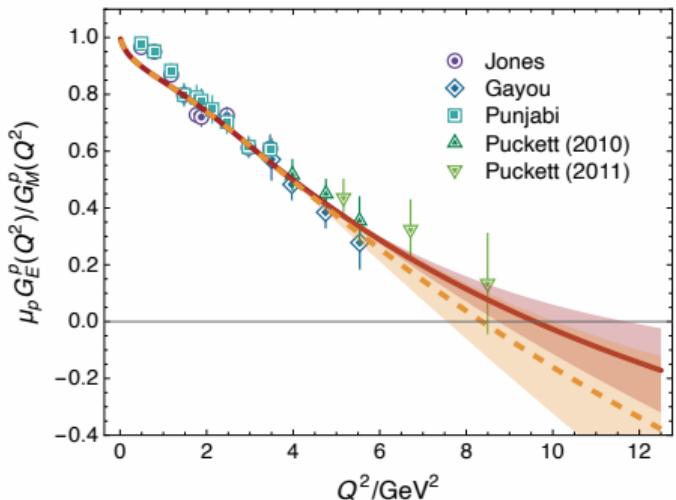
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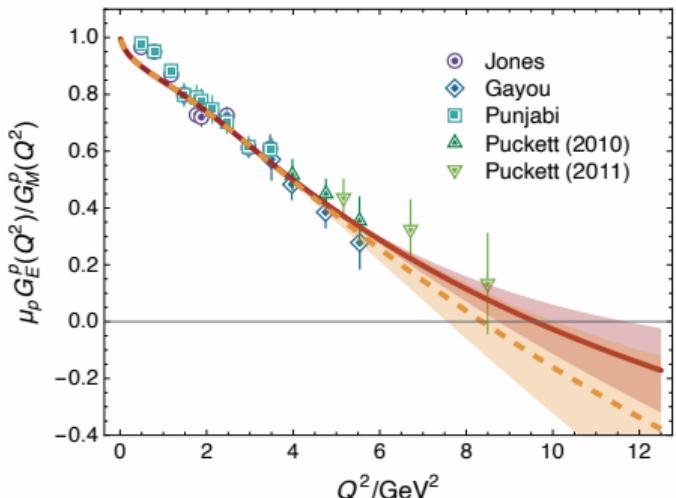
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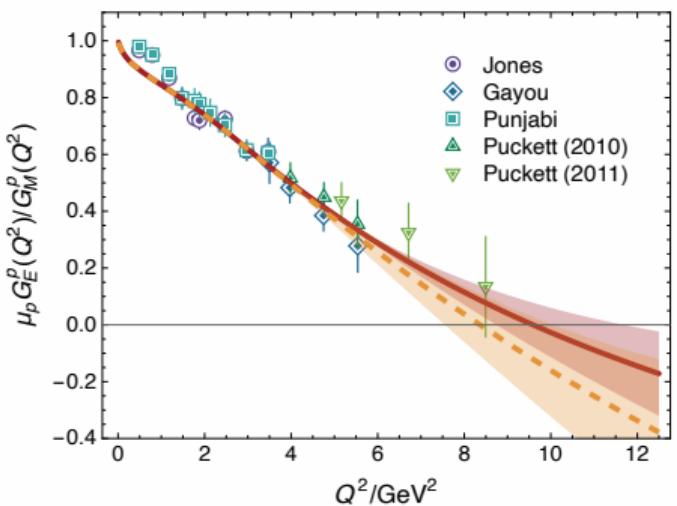
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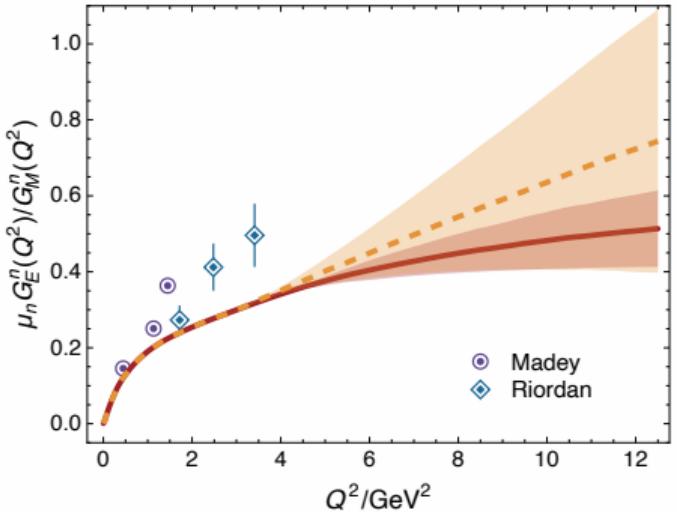
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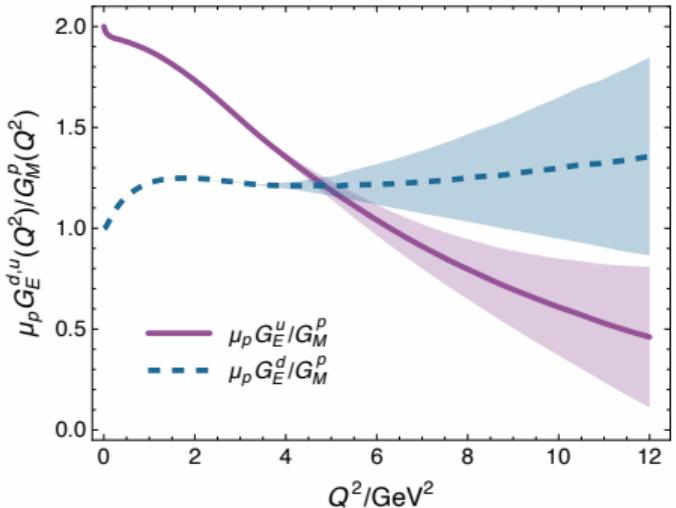
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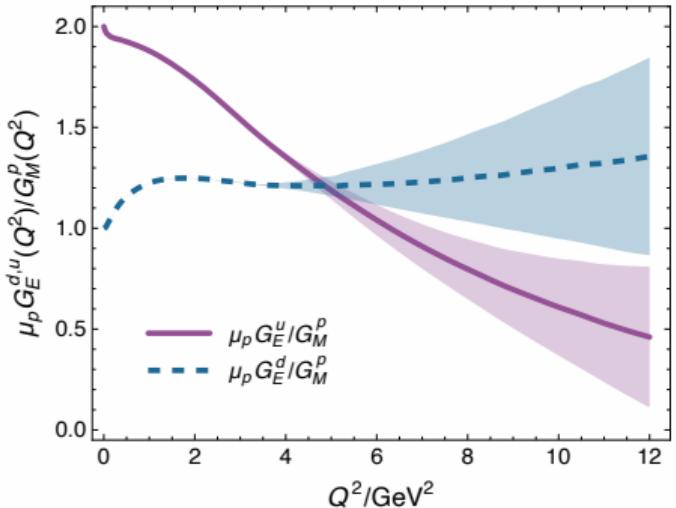


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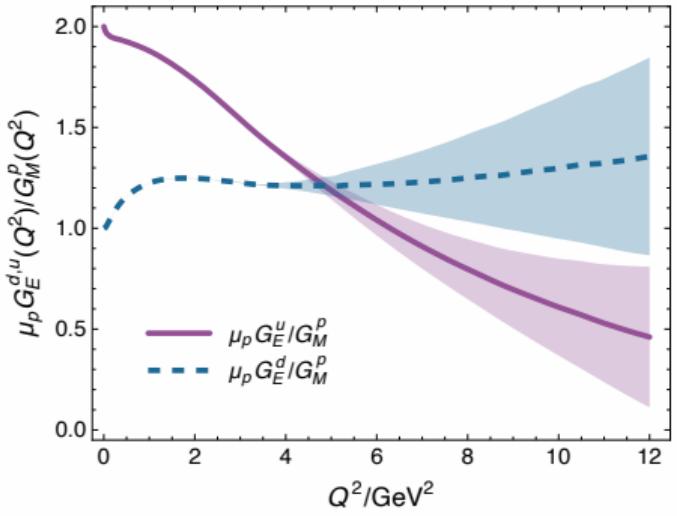
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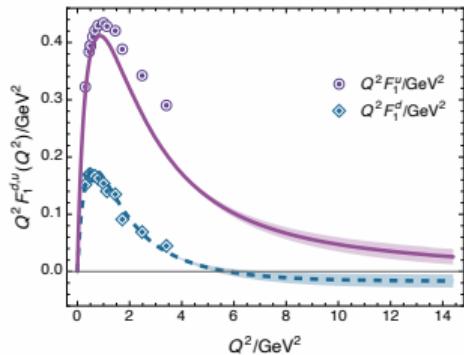
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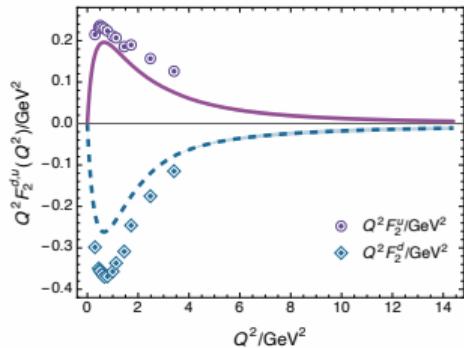
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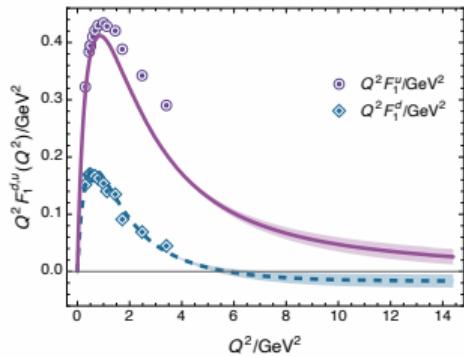
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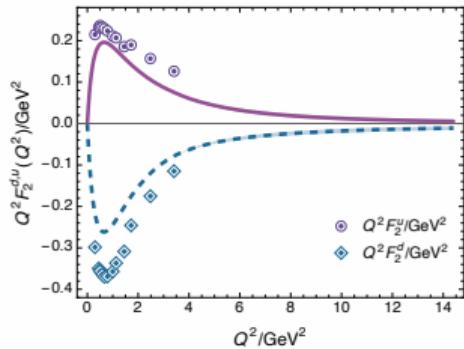
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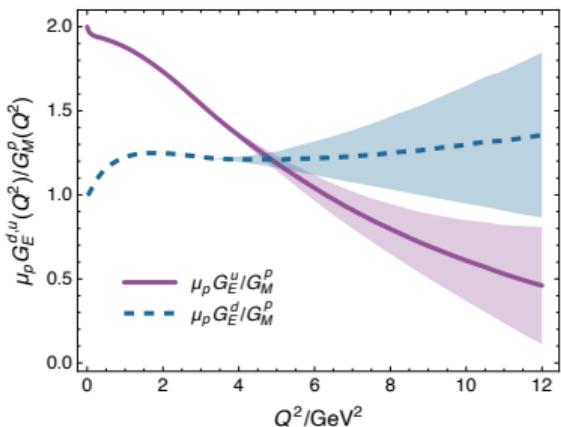
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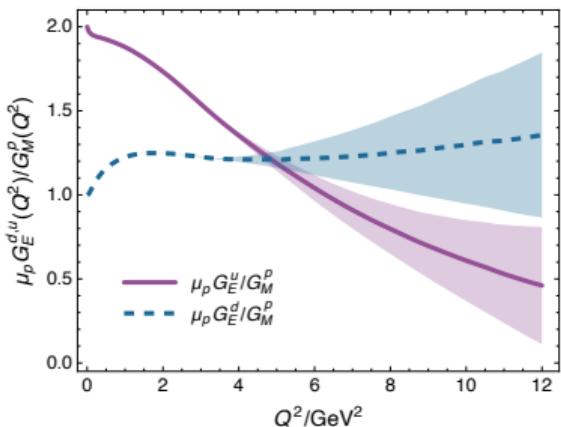


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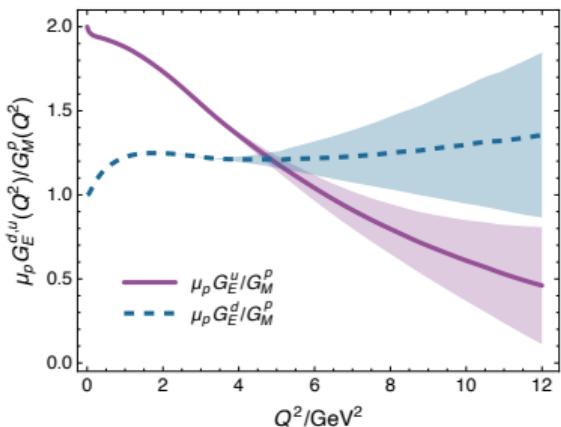


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state	$F_{\mathcal{M}_A}$	$F_{\mathcal{M}_S}$
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n	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(udd - dud)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(udd + dud - 2ddu)$

Table: Baryon octet flavor amplitudes; we define $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3 := \lambda_1 \otimes \lambda_2 \otimes \lambda_3$, and, $u^\dagger := (1 \ 0)$, $d^\dagger := (0 \ 1)$.