



# Exploring the heavy meson light-cone distribution amplitudes from first-principle

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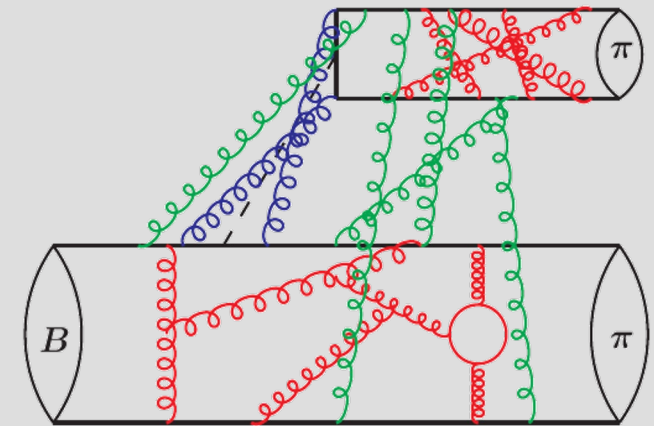
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➤ Factorization: categories by different characteristic scales

$$\langle \pi(p') \pi(q) | Q_i | \bar{B}(p) \rangle = \underbrace{f^{B \rightarrow \pi}(q^2)}_{\text{Hard kernel}} \int_0^1 dx \underbrace{T_i^I(x)}_{\text{Hard kernel (Perturbative)}} \underbrace{\phi_\pi(x)}_{\text{Meson LCDAs (Nonperturbative)}} + \int_0^1 d\xi dx dy \underbrace{T_i^{II}(\xi, x, y)}_{\text{Hard kernel (Perturbative)}} \underbrace{\phi_B(\xi) \phi_\pi(x) \phi_\pi(y)}_{\text{Meson LCDAs (Nonperturbative)}}$$

**Form factor =**  
**Hard kernel + LCDAs**



# Motivation: Research progresses of light meson LCDAs

➤ Light meson LCDAs have been extensively pursued: (1979-2023)

- **Asymptotic LCDAs**

*G. P. Lepage et.al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 43 (1979)*

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- **Quark model**

*Choi, Phys.Rev.D 75 (2007)*

- **Dyson-Schwinger Equation**

*F. Gao, L. Chang et.al. Phys.Rev.D 90 (2014)*

*Craig D.et.al., Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys. (2021)*

- **QCD Sum rules**

*V.L. Chernyak et. al., Nucl.Phys.B 201 (1982)*

*Vladimir M. Braun et. al., Z.Phys.C 44 (1989)*

*Patricia Ball et. al., JHEP 08 (2007)*

- **Light-cone sum rule**

*S. Cheng et.al. Phys.Rev.D 102 (2020)*

- **Lattice calculation by OPE**

*G. Martinelli et. al., Phys.Lett.B 190 (1987)*

*RQCD Collaboration, JHEP 11 (2020)*

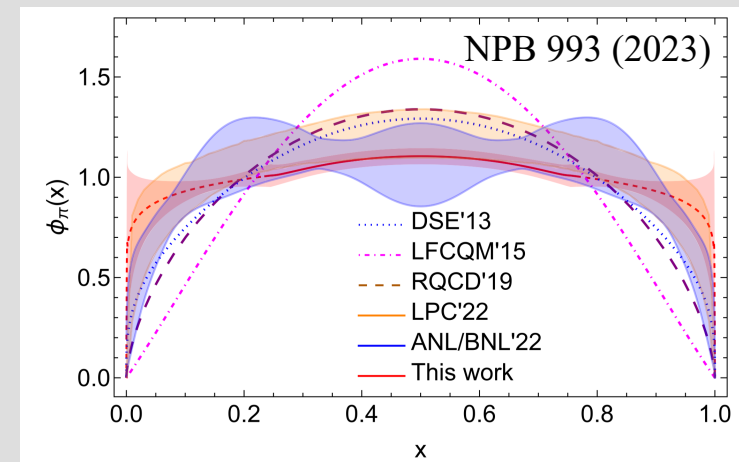
- **Lattice calculation by LaMET**

*Zhang, et. al., Phys.Rev.D 95 (2017)*

*R. Zhang et.al., Phys.Rev.D 102 (2020)*

*J.Hua et.al(LPC)., Pev.Lett.127 (2021)*

*J. Holligan et.al., Nucl.Phys.B 993 (2023)*



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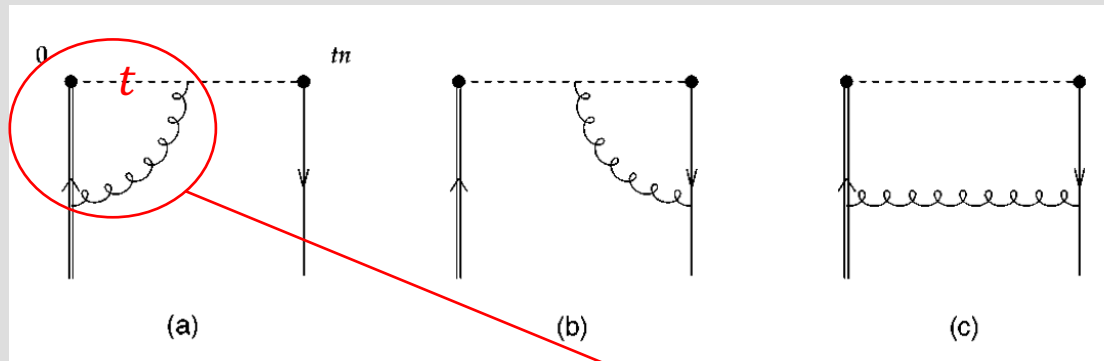
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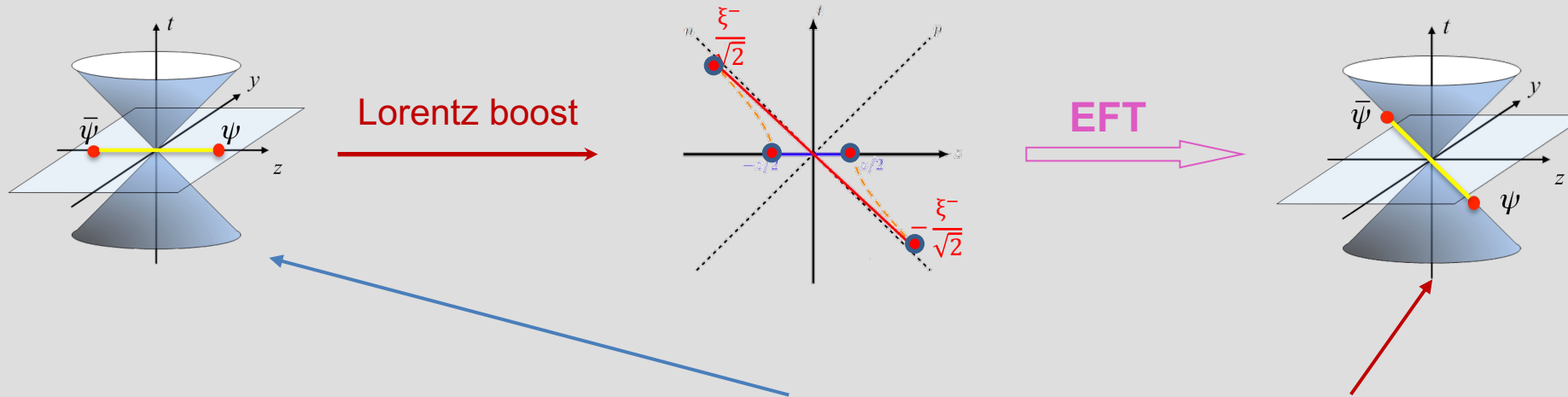
$$O_+^{\text{ren}}(t, \mu) = O_+^{\text{bare}}(t) + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left\{ \left( \frac{4}{\hat{\epsilon}^2} + \frac{4}{\hat{\epsilon}} \ln(it\mu) \right) O_+^{\text{bare}}(t) - \frac{4}{\hat{\epsilon}} \int_0^1 du \frac{u}{1-u} [O_+^{\text{bare}}(ut) - O_+^{\text{bare}}(t)] \right\}$$

- Diverge at  $t \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow$  No local limit
- Non-negative moments  $\int dk k^n \varphi_+(k)$  for  $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$  are not related to OPE, and actually they diverge
- Cannot obtain  $\varphi_B$  from lattice QCD through their moments.

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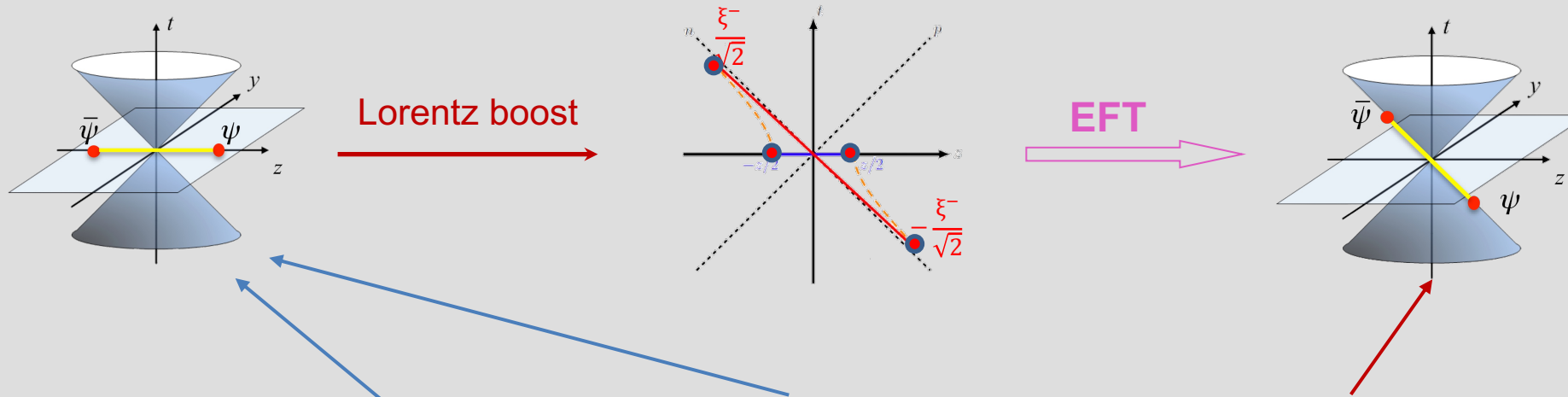
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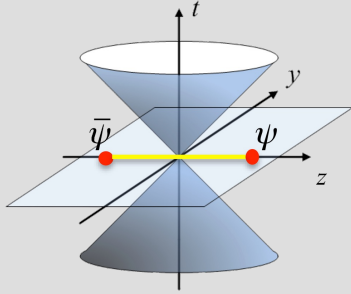
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[PRD102(2020)011502, PRD103(2021)054022,  
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Lorentz boost

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Difficult to realize the boosted HQET field on lattice QCD.

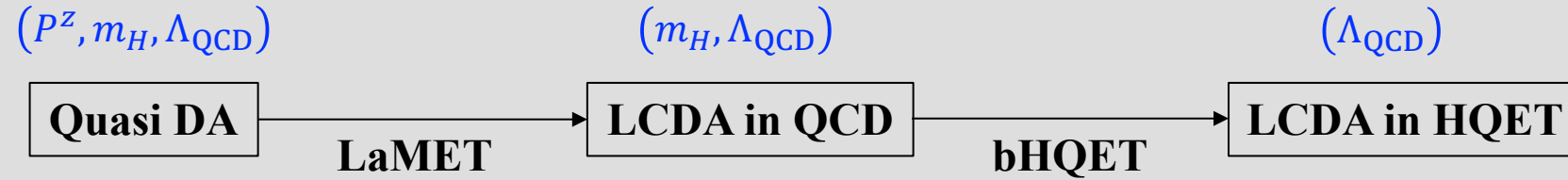
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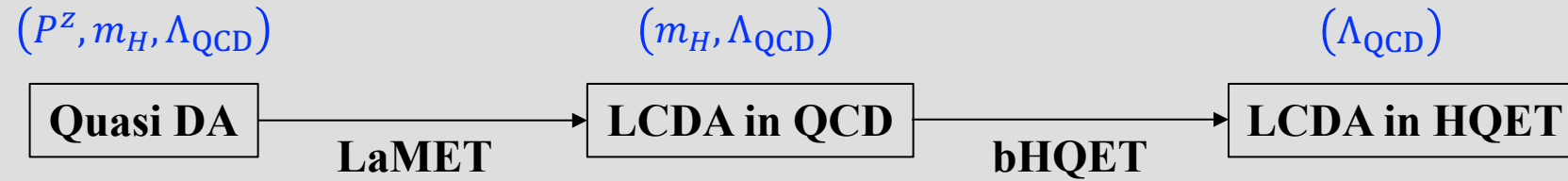


➤ A multi-scale processes:

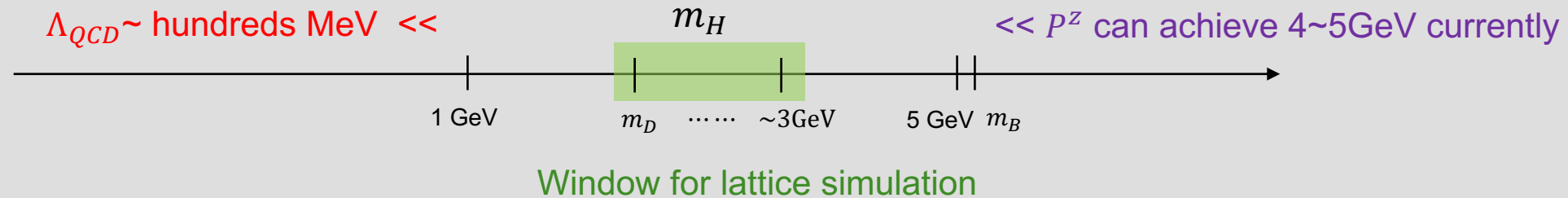
1. LaMET requires  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}, m_H \ll P^z$  and finally integrate out  $P^z$ ;
2. bHQET requires  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m_H$  and integrate out  $m_H$ ;

⇒ **Hierarchy  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m_H \ll P^z$ .**

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⇒ Hierarchy  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m_H \ll P^z$ : A big challenge for lattice simulation



At this stage, the heavy meson could be  $D$ , but by no means be the  $B$  meson!

# Numerical realization

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- A fine CLQCD ensemble for the lattice QCD verification of  $D$  meson LCDAs:
  - H48P32,  $n_s^3 \times n_t = 48^3 \times 144$ ,  $a = 0.05187\text{fm}$ ;
  - Coulomb gauge fixed grid source with grid =  $1 \times 1 \times n_s$ ; 549 configurations  $\times$  8 measurements;
  - $m_\pi \simeq 317\text{MeV}$ ,  $m_{\eta_s} = 700\text{MeV}$ ;
  - Determine the charm quark mass by tuning  $m_{J/\psi}$  to its physical value, then  $m_D \simeq 1.90\text{GeV}$ ;
  - Boost momenta  $P^z = \{2.99, 3.49, 3.98\}\text{GeV}$ , spatial separation  $z = 0 \sim 12a$ .

# Quasi DA from lattice QCD calculation

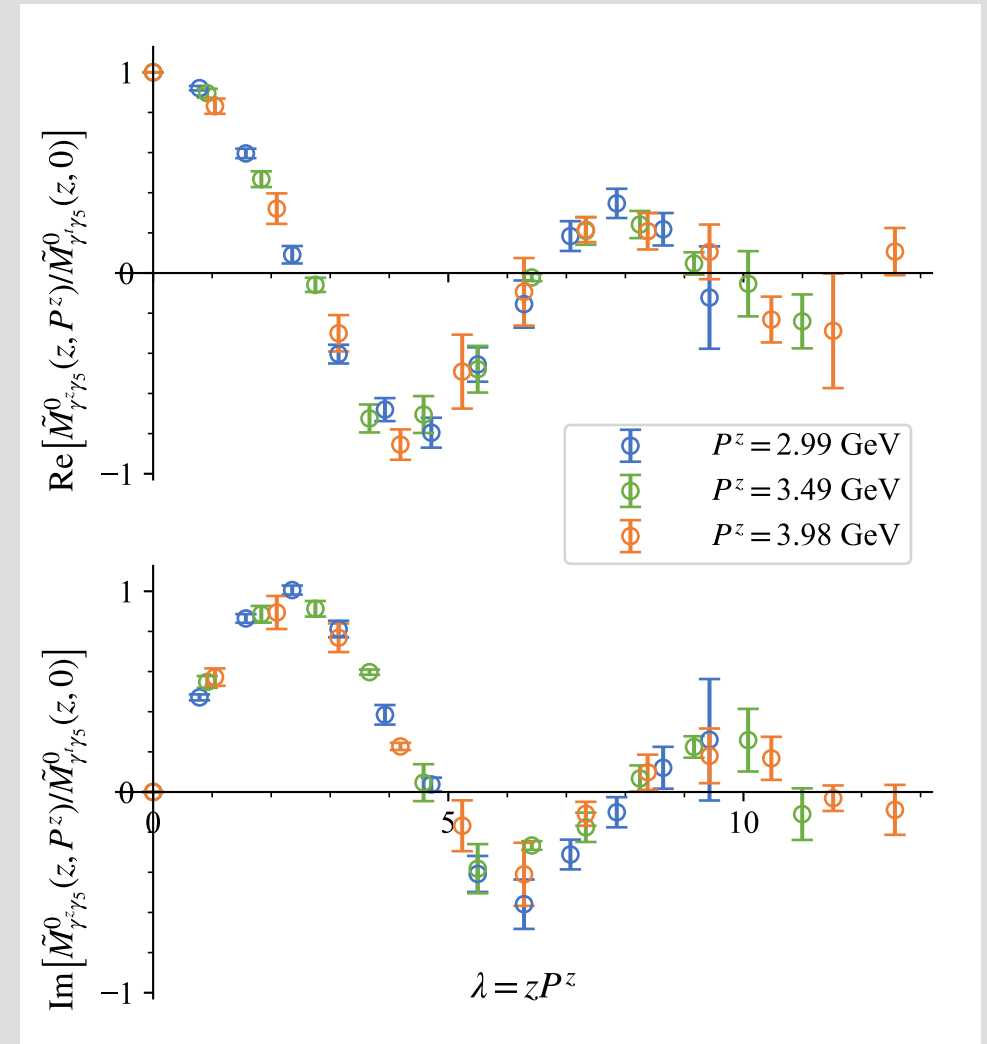
➤ Bare quasi DA matrix elements:

$$\tilde{M}_{\Gamma}^0(z, P^z) = \frac{\langle 0 | \bar{q}(z) \Gamma W_c(z, 0) Q(0) | H(P^z) \rangle}{\langle 0 | \bar{q}(0) \Gamma Q(0) | H(P^z) \rangle}$$

renormalized in ratio scheme

$$\tilde{M}(z, P^z) = \tilde{M}_{\gamma^z \gamma_5}^0(z, P^z) / \tilde{M}_{\gamma^t \gamma_5}^0(z, 0)$$

- To avoid operator mixing, choose  $\Gamma = \gamma^z \gamma_5$  for  $\tilde{M}_{\Gamma}^0(z, P^z)$  with large  $P^z$ .
- Use  $\Gamma = \gamma^t \gamma_5$  for the zero-momentum matrix elements.
- Ratio scheme: renormalize the bare matrix elements by corresponding zero-momentum matrix elements.



# Matching I: from quasi DAs to LCDAs in QCD

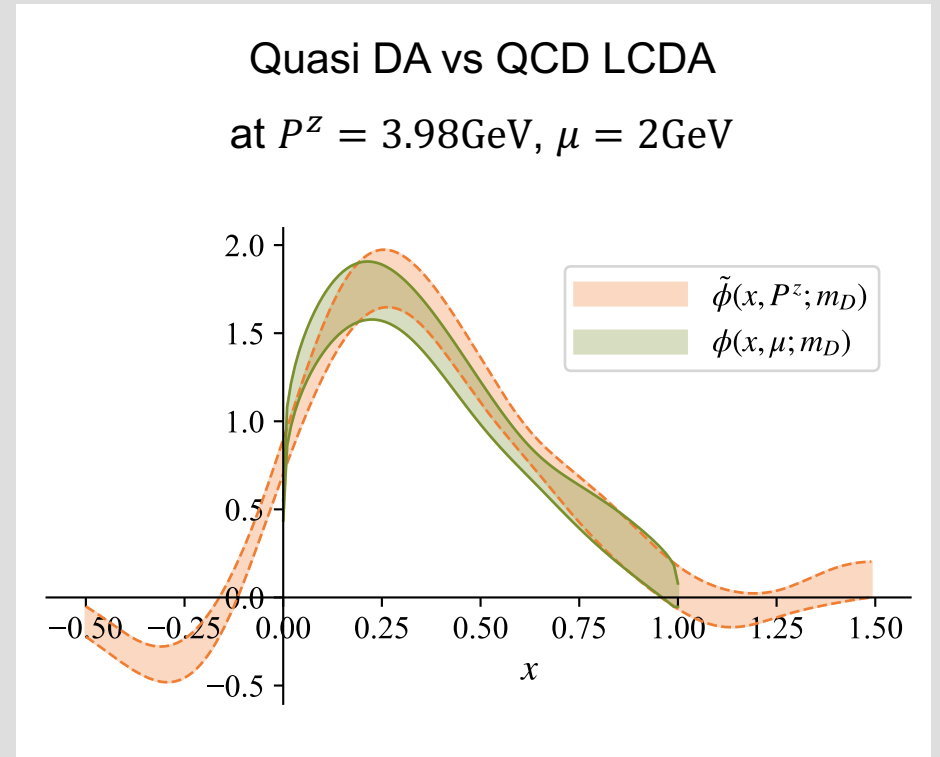
- Quasi DA  $\tilde{\phi}(x, P^z)$ , include the scales  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m_H \ll P^z$

$$\tilde{\phi}(x, P^z) = \int \frac{dz}{2\pi} e^{-ixP^z z} \tilde{M}(z, P^z)$$

- Matching formula in LaMET: [\[PRD99\(2019\)094036, 2403.17492\]](#)

$$\tilde{\phi}(x, P^z) = \int_0^1 C\left(x, y, \frac{\mu}{P^z}\right) \phi(y, \mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_H^2}{(P^z)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{(xP^z, \bar{x}P^z)^2}\right)$$

[This matching integrate out  \$P^z\$ , obtain the LCDAs in QCD.](#)

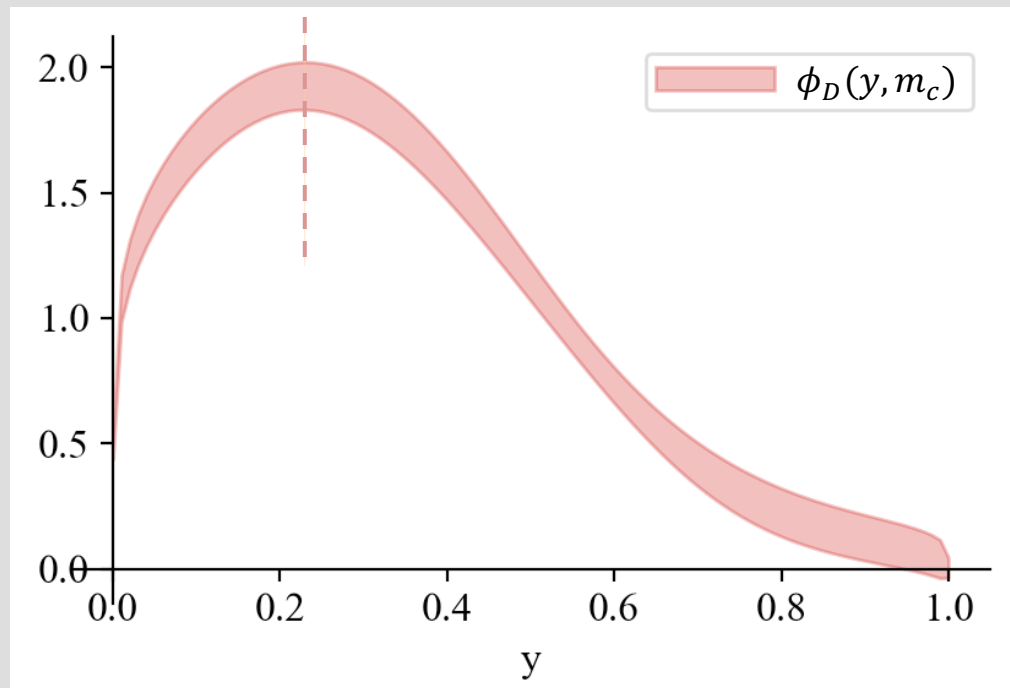


# LCDAs in QCD

## ➤ Heavy meson LCDAs in QCD

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(y, \mu) = & \frac{1}{if_H} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d\tau}{2\pi} e^{iyP_H\tau n_+} \\ & \times \langle 0 | \bar{q}(\tau n_+) \not{n}_+ \gamma_5 W_c(\tau n_+, 0) Q(0) | H(P_H) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

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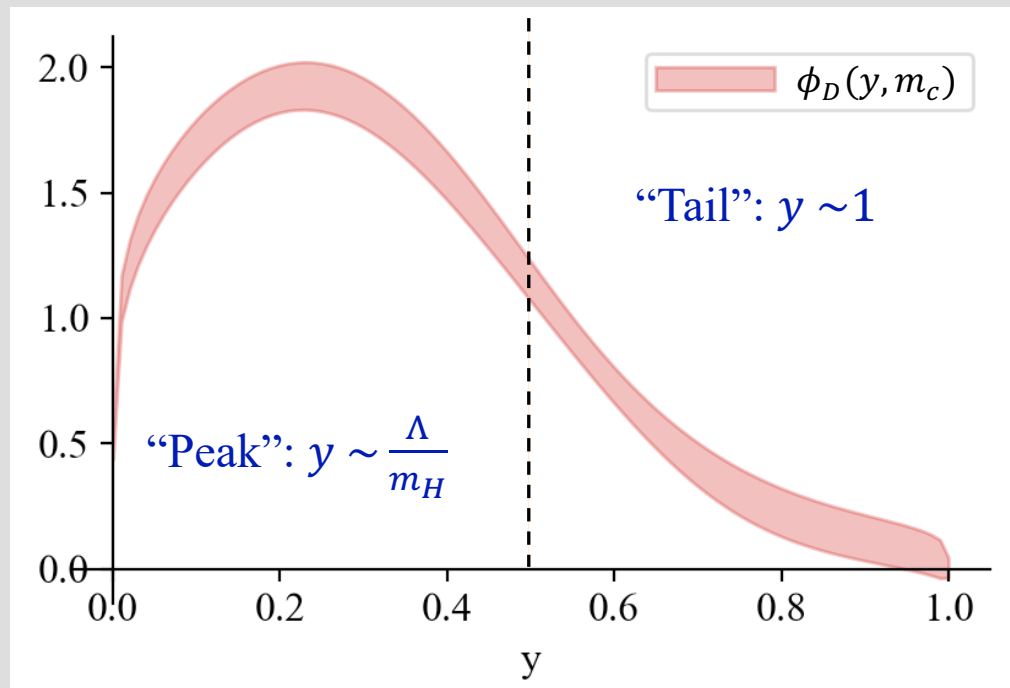




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- For the scale  $\mu \lesssim m_Q$ ,

⇒ Light quark carries small momentum fraction  $y \sim \Lambda/m_H$   
⇒ peak region, related to the HQET LCDA;

[JHEP09(2023)066]

⇒  $y \sim O(1)$  region be suppressed in LCDA:

$P_q$  is **soft-collinear**,  $\ll P_Q$ , only contribute through power corrections;

SCET renormalized matrix element in this region contain only **hard-collinear** physics, and starts at the **one-loop level**.

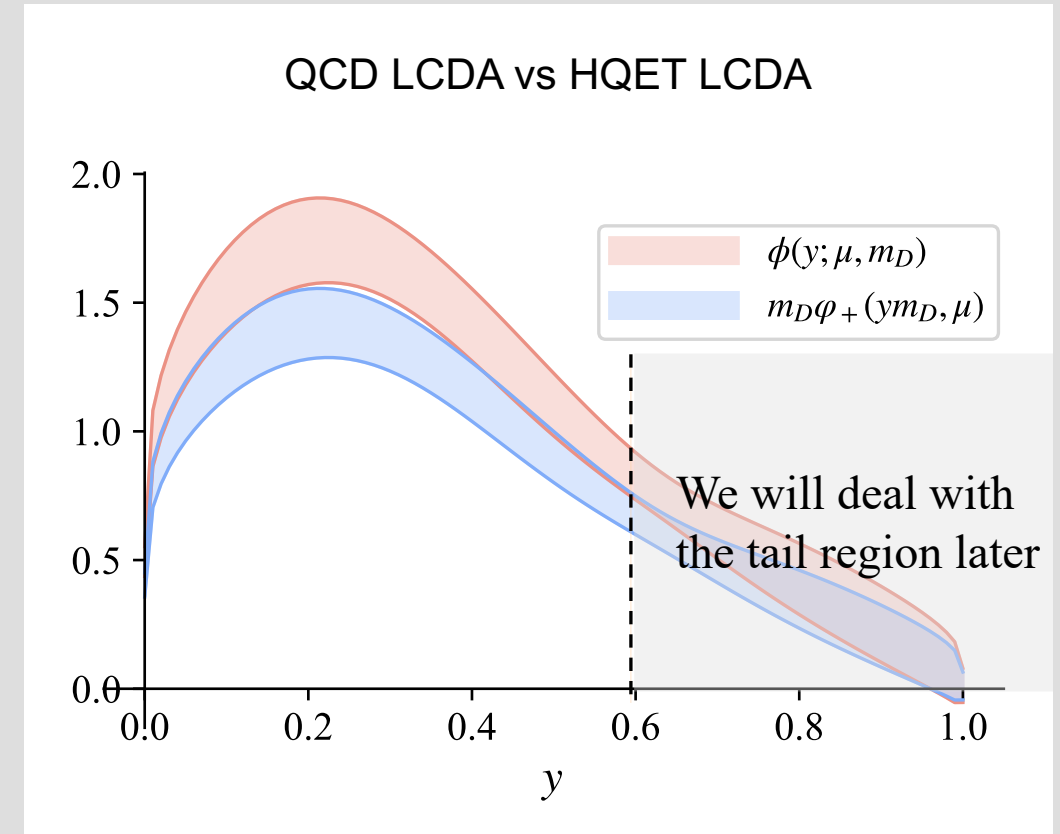
# Matching II: connecting LCDAs in QCD and HQET

- Leading twist heavy meson LCDA in HQET

$$\varphi^+(\omega, \mu) = \frac{1}{i\tilde{f}_H(\mu)m_H} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d\eta}{2\pi} e^{i\omega n_+ \cdot v\eta} \times \langle 0 | \bar{q}(\eta n_+) / n_+ \gamma_5 W_c(\eta n_+, 0) h_v(0) | H(v) \rangle$$

connected with the QCD LCDA through a multiplicative factorization in the peak region: [\[JHEP09\(2023\)066\]](#)

$$\phi(y, \mu; m_H) = \frac{\tilde{f}_H}{f_H} J_{\text{peak}} m_H \varphi^+(\omega, \mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{m_H}\right)$$



# Tails of HQET LCDA

- The tail region of HQET LCDA is perturbative: [PRD72\(2005\)094028](#)

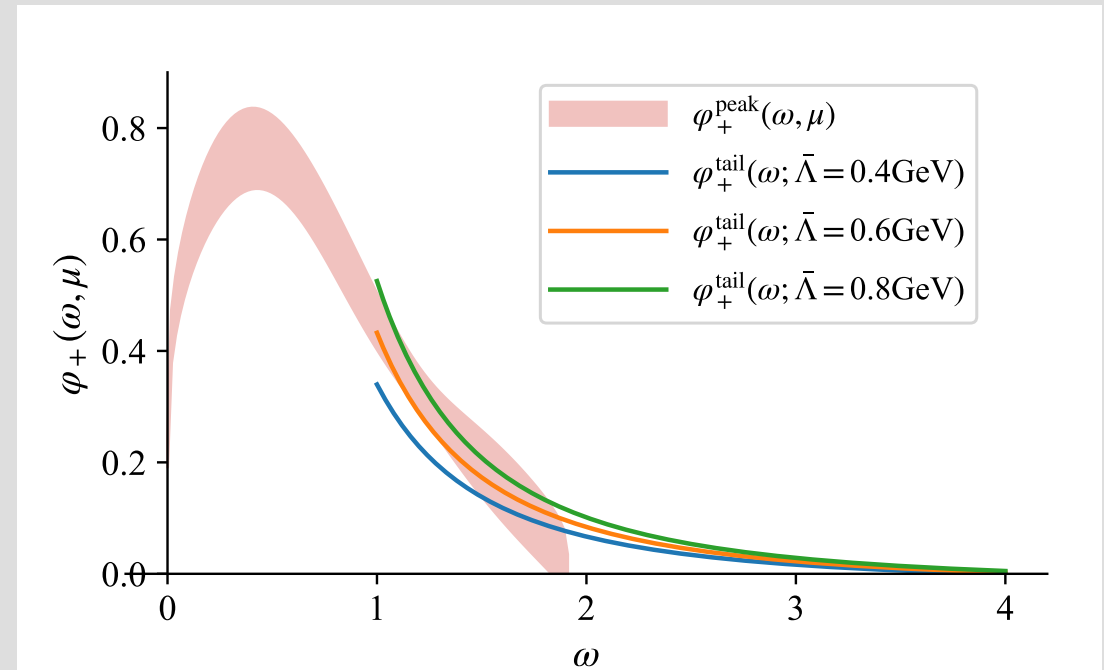
$$\varphi_{\text{tail}}^+(\omega, \mu) = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi\omega} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{2} - \ln \frac{\omega}{\mu} \right) + \frac{4\bar{\Lambda}}{3\omega} \left( 2 - \ln \frac{\omega}{\mu} \right) \right]$$

where  $\bar{\Lambda} \equiv m_H - m_Q^{\text{pole}}$  reflect the power correction, and usually be chosen as 400~600MeV.

[NPB426\(1994\)301](#)

- We use the difference between the lines to estimate the power correction.

The final results of HQET LCDA will merge the peak (from LQCD) and tail region (from 1-loop calculation).



# Comparison with phenomenological models

➤ Several commonly used models: *NPB898,563(2015), JHEP07,154(2018), JHEP05,024(2022).....*

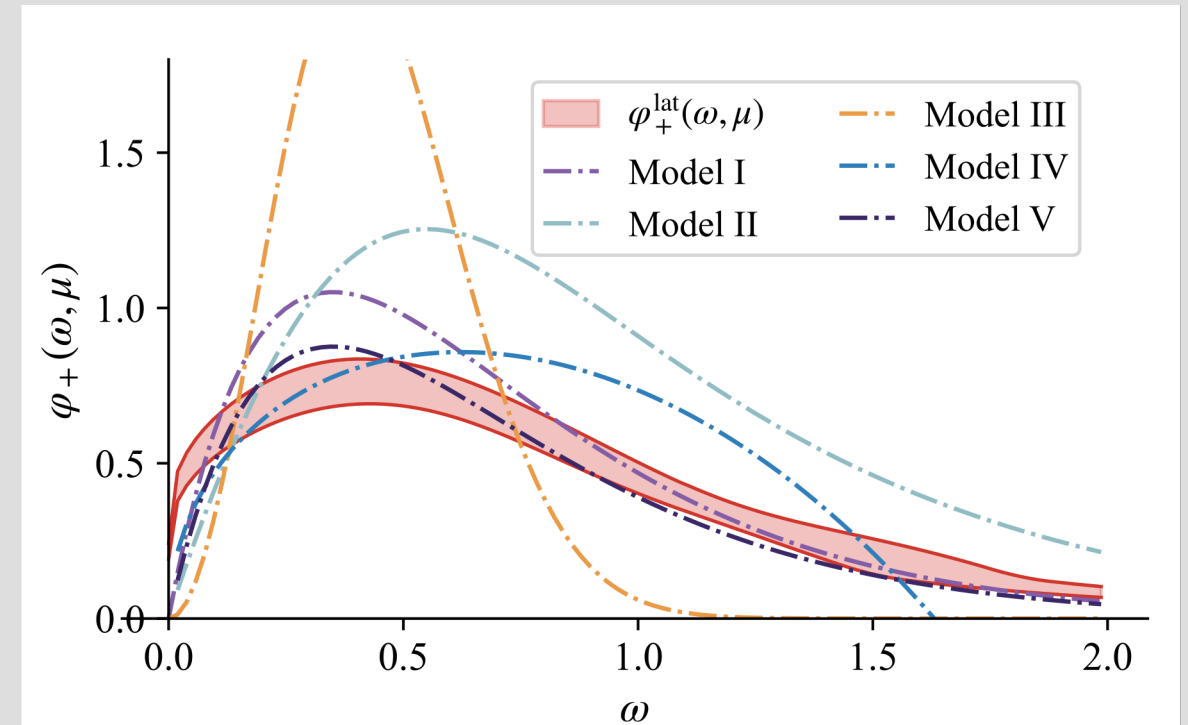
$$\varphi_{\text{I}}^+(\omega, \mu_0) = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0^2} e^{-\omega/\omega_0},$$

$$\varphi_{\text{II}}^+(\omega, \mu_0) = \frac{4}{\pi\omega_0} \frac{k}{k^2 + 1} \left[ \frac{1}{k^2 + 1} - \frac{2(\sigma_B^{(1)} - 1)}{\pi^2} \ln k \right],$$

$$\varphi_{\text{III}}^+(\omega, \mu_0) = \frac{2\omega^2}{\omega_0\omega_1^2} e^{-(\omega/\omega_1)^2},$$

$$\varphi_{\text{IV}}^+(\omega, \mu_0) = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0\omega_2} \frac{\omega_2 - \omega}{\sqrt{\omega(2\omega_2 - \omega)}} \theta(\omega_2 - \omega),$$

$$\varphi_{\text{V}}^+(\omega, \mu_0) = \frac{\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{\omega}{\omega_0^2} e^{-\omega/\omega_0} U(\beta - \alpha, 3 - \alpha, \omega/\omega_0),$$



# First inverse moment

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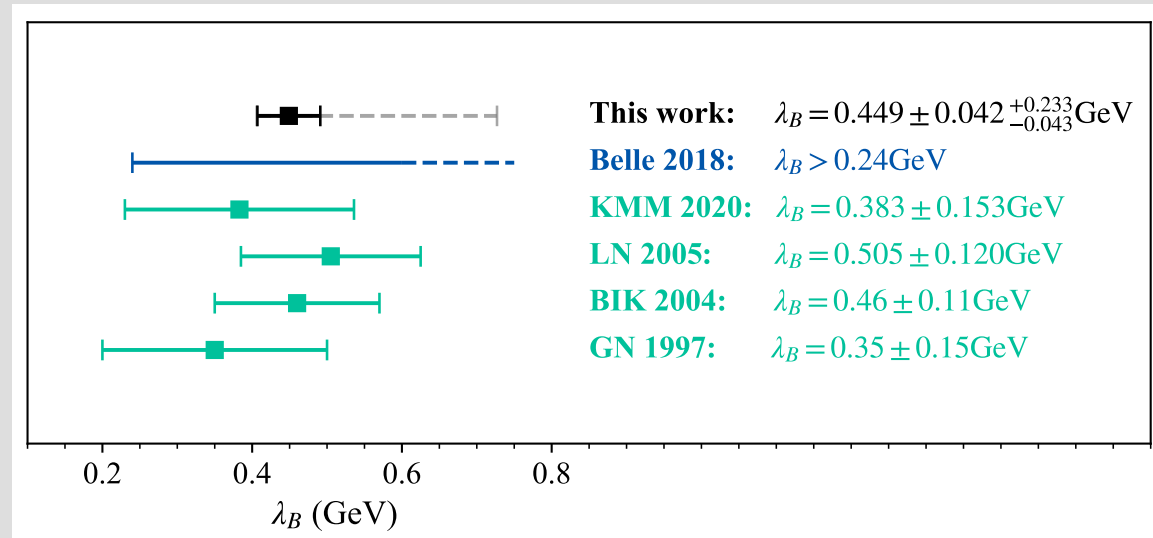
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Models	I	II	III	IV	V
Parameters	$\omega_0 = 0.433(23)\text{GeV}$	$\omega_0 = 0.682(45)\text{GeV}$	—	$\omega_0 = 0.427(21)\text{GeV}$	$\omega_0 = 0.449(42)\text{GeV}$
		$\sigma_B^{(1)} = 2.78(48)$			
fit range	$\omega \in [0.2, 1.4]\text{GeV}$	$\omega \in [0.2, 1.4]\text{GeV}$		$\omega \in [0.4, 0.8]\text{GeV}$	$\omega \in [0.2, 1.4]\text{GeV}$
$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f}$	1.4	1.2		2.1	1.0

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*PRD98,112016(2018),  
 JHEP10,043(2020),  
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 PRD55,272(1997)*

# Summary and outlook

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- ✓ We propose a set of feasible scheme to calculate the heavy meson LCDAs in both QCD and HQET;
- ✓ We use the finest CLQCD ensemble (H48P32) to validate the feasibility of our scheme;
- ✓ We have glanced the heavy LCDAs in HQET from the first principle for the first time.

**Finally we got the heavy meson LCDA that works, but not quite good enough.....**

□ More systematic lattice QCD calculations:

Larger  $P^z$  and  $m_H$ , nonperturbative renormalization, continuum and physical mass extrapolation, operator mixing effects, .....

□ More reliable theoretical frameworks:

Power corrections, RG resummation, more reliable method to merge the peak and tail regions,

□ Realize the HQET quasi DA on lattice QCD directly?

Thanks