



# Gravitational form factors and Mechanical Properties of the Nucleon

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# Introduction: What do we know about nucleon?

Proton (1920 named by Rutherford)

Mass: 938.27 MeV

Spin: 1/2

Charge: 1

Magnetic moment:  $2.79 \mu_N$

Neutron (found in 1932 by Chadwick)

Mass: 939.57 MeV

Spin: 1/2

Charge: 0

Magnetic moment:  $-1.91 \mu_N$

We still do not know the origin of the nucleon mass and spin.



EIC: Physics of gluons

- Understanding the gravitational form factors
- Mechanical properties of the nucleon

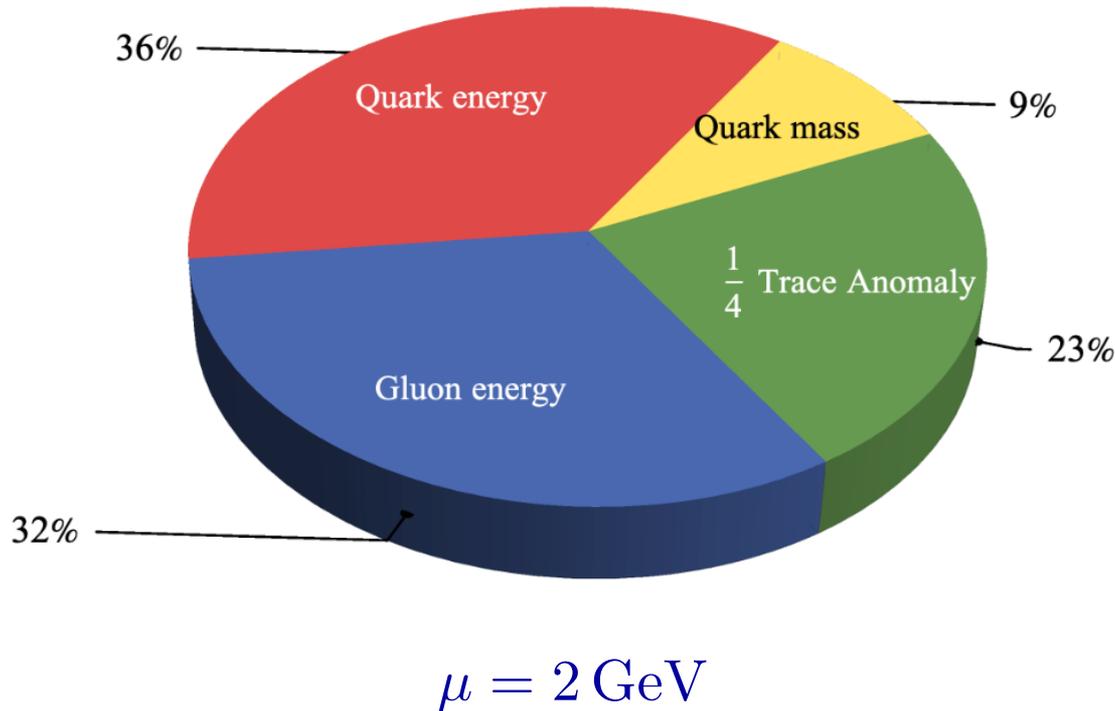
# Introduction: Nucleon Mass

Ji's mass decomposition:  $M_N = M_G^N + M_Q^N + M_A^N + M_m^N$

X. Ji, Front. Phys. (Beijing) 16, 64601 (2021)

Example

Lattice ( $\chi$ QCD collaboration)



Yang et al. PRL 121, 212001 (2018)

C. Lorce, JHEP 11, 121 (2021)

W. Liu, Shuryak, Zahed, 2404.03057

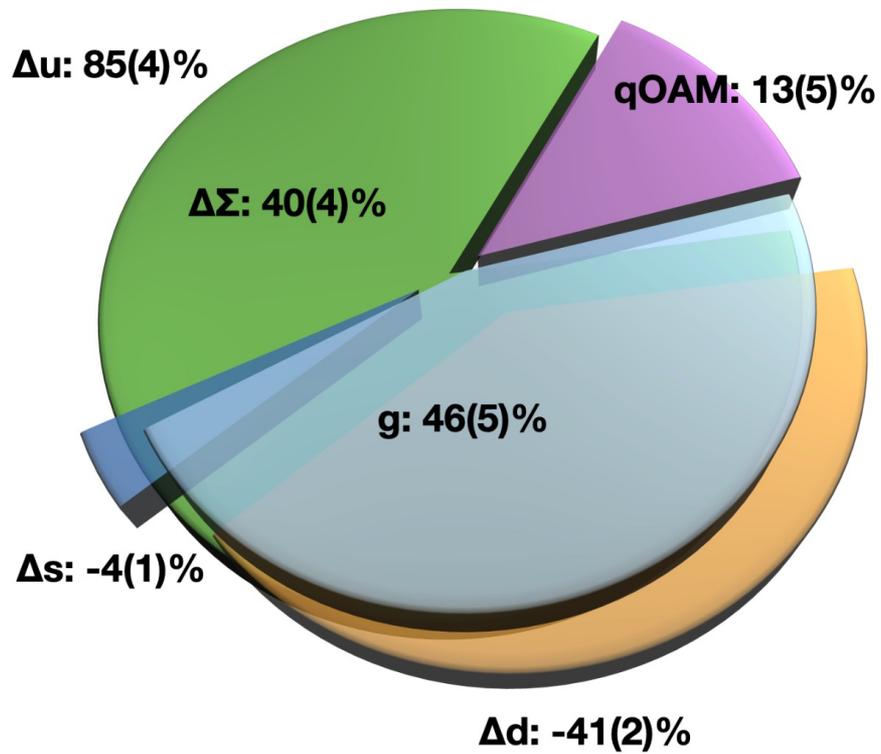
K.F. Liu, 2302.11600

# Introduction: Nucleon Spin

Ji's spin sum rule:  $J = J_q + J_G = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + L_q + J_G$

X. Ji, Phys. Rev. Lett. 78 610, (1997)

Example



# All information on mass & spin from GFFs

The gravitational form factors of the nucleon reveal all information related to the nucleon mass & spin.

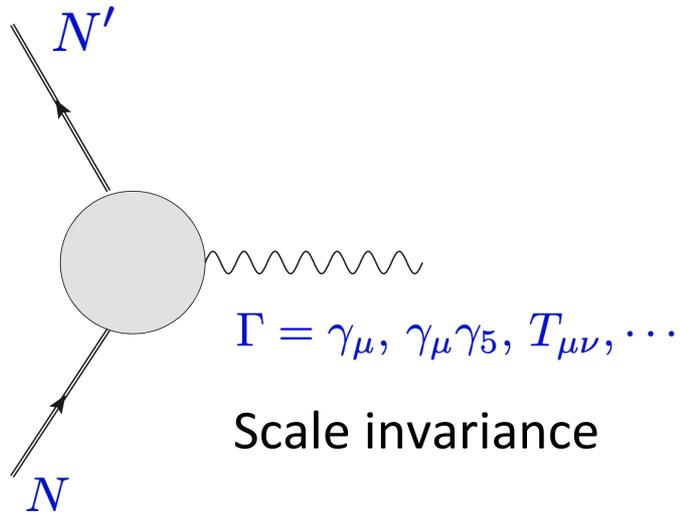


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- **Mechanical properties of the nucleon**

# Introduction: Hadron Structure in QCD

## Noether current as a probe

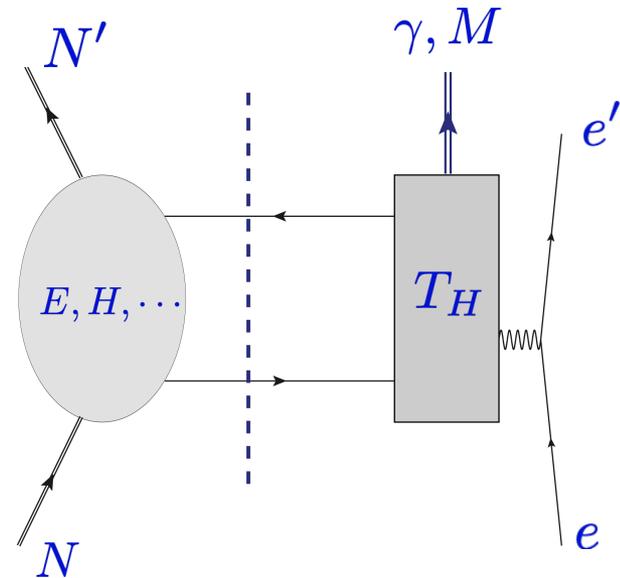


- EM form factors
- Electroweak form factors
- **Gravitational form factors**

governed by symmetries

Exception: Tensor form factors

## QCD operators



Soft part (npQCD)

Hard part (pQCD)

$$\bar{\psi} \gamma^\alpha \nabla^{\beta_1} \dots \nabla^{\beta_n} \psi$$

$$G^{\alpha_1 \beta} \dots F^{\beta \alpha_n}$$

$$G^2, G\tilde{G}, \dots$$

- Scale-dependent
- Gluons enter!
- Hadronic matrix elements

# Effective QCD operators

QCD



Low-energy Effective  
quark-gluon dynamics  
(Essential physics: SBXB)  
 $\mu \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$

QCD operators



Effective QCD operators

$V^\mu, A^\mu, T^{\mu\nu}$



$V_{\text{eff}}^\mu, A_{\text{eff}}^\mu, T_{\text{eff}}^{\mu\nu}$

$\bar{\psi} \gamma^\alpha \nabla^{\beta_1} \dots \nabla^{\beta_n} \psi$



$G^{\alpha_1 \beta} \dots F^{\beta \alpha_n}$

$G^2, G\tilde{G}, \dots$

?

Twist-2

Twist-2 effective operators  
are determined by dynamics.  
(from the instanton vacuum)

# Example: Flavor-decomposition of EMT operators

- Energy-momentum tensor operators:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \sum_q T_q^{\mu\nu} + T_g^{\mu\nu}, \quad \partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

M.V. Polyakov and P. Schweitzer, *IJMP. A* 33 (2018)

$$T_q^{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{4} \bar{\psi}_q \left( \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu\}} \right) \psi_q, \quad T_g^{\mu\nu} = -F^{\mu\rho,a} F_{\rho}^{\nu,a} + \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} F^{\lambda\rho,a} F_{\lambda\rho}^a,$$

QCD operators

Effective QCD operators

$$T_q^{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{4} \bar{\psi}_q \left( \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu\}} \right) \psi_q \longrightarrow T_{x=0}^{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{i}{4} \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu\}} \lambda_0 \psi(x)$$

$$T_q^{\mu\nu}(x) + T_g^{\mu\nu}(x) [\text{QCD}] \xrightarrow{\text{eff}} T_{x=0}^{\mu\nu}(x) \quad (\text{Gluons integrated out})$$

However...

Flavor decomposition of GFFs requires both **twist-2 & twist-4 EMT operators**.  
But we don't know yet how to derive the **flavor-nonsinglet EMT currents**  
without ambiguity.

**Gravitational form factors  
of  
the proton**

# Energy-Momentum Tensor operators

Hilbert-Einstein Action

$$S = -\frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} L_M \quad g^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\nu} + \delta g^{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{r}) \quad \lambda_{\text{grav}} \gg M_N^{-1}$$

Changing the metric in the long-wave approximation,

we find the energy-momentum tensor (EMT) that characterizes the response of the nucleon to the static variation of the space-time metric:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta S_M}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \quad \partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

Bellifante-Rosen type QCD EMT Current

$$\underline{T_q^{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{4} \bar{\psi}_q \left( \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{\mathcal{D}}^{\nu\}} \right) \psi_q, \quad T_g^{\mu\nu} = -F^{\mu\rho,a} F_{\rho}^{\nu,a} + \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} F^{\lambda\rho,a} F_{\lambda\rho}^a}$$

Quark part

$$\overleftrightarrow{\mathcal{D}}^\mu = \overleftrightarrow{\partial}^\mu - 2igA^\mu$$

$$\overleftrightarrow{\partial}^\mu = \overrightarrow{\partial}^\mu - \overleftarrow{\partial}^\mu$$

$$a^{\{\mu} b^{\nu\}} = a^\mu b^\nu + a^\nu b^\mu$$

Gluon part

# Gravitational (EMT) form factors

## ○ Gravitational form factors of the nucleon in QCD

Kobzarev et al. 1962; Pagels, 1966

$$\langle p' | T^{\mu\nu}(0) | p \rangle = \bar{u}(p') \left[ A^a(t) \frac{P^\mu P^\nu}{M_N} + J^a(t) \frac{iP^{\{\mu\sigma\nu\}\rho} \Delta_\rho}{2M_N} + \underbrace{D^a(t)}_{\text{D(Druck)-term}} \frac{\Delta^\mu \Delta^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} \Delta^2}{4M_N} + \underbrace{M_N \bar{c}^a(t) g^{\mu\nu}}_{\text{Non-conservation of EMT pieces (cosmological constant)}} \right] u(p)$$

Weiss & Polyakov, 1999

$\delta g^{00}$

$\uparrow$

$\sum_a A^a(0) = 1$  **Mass**

$\delta g^{0i}$

$\uparrow$

**Spin**

$\sum_a J^a(0) = \frac{1}{2}$

$\delta g^{ij}$

$\uparrow$

**Deformation of space**  
= **mechanical** properties of the nucleon

O. V. Teryaev, Front. Phys. 11 (2016)  
K.-F. Liu, PRD 104 (2021)

Pressure & Shear-force distributions (pressure anisotropy)

## ○ Twist-4 operators MV Polyakov, HD Son, JHEP (2018)

$$\langle p' s' | \frac{1}{2} i g \bar{\psi} G^{\beta\alpha} \gamma_\alpha \psi | p, s \rangle = M_N \bar{c}^Q \Delta^\beta \bar{u}(p', s') u(p, s)$$

$$\langle p' s' | \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(G^{\beta\alpha} [iD^\sigma, G_{\sigma\alpha}]) | p, s \rangle = M_N \bar{c}^g \Delta^\beta \bar{u}(p', s') u(p, s)$$

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \rightarrow \sum_{q,g} \bar{c}^{q,g} = 0$$

# Twist-projected EMT currents

H-Y. Won, HChK, J.-Y. Kim, JHEP 05 (2024)

$$T_a^{\mu\nu} = \bar{T}_a^{\mu\nu} + \hat{T}_a^{\mu\nu}$$

Twist-4 EMT current:  $\hat{T}_a^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} T_{a,\alpha}^\alpha$

↓

Twist-2 EMT current:  $\bar{T}_a^{\mu\nu} = T_a^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} T_{a,\alpha}^\alpha$

## ○ Twist-2 baryon matrix elements

$$\langle B(p', J'_3) | \bar{T}_{\mu\nu}^a(0) | B(p, J_3) \rangle = \bar{u}(p', J'_3) \left[ A_B^a(t) \frac{P_\mu P_\nu}{M_B} + J_B^a(t) \frac{iP_{\{\mu\sigma\nu\}\rho} \Delta^\rho}{2M_B} + D_B^a(t) \frac{\Delta_\mu \Delta_\nu - t g^{\mu\nu}}{4M_B} \right. \\ \left. - g_{\mu\nu} \left\{ \frac{t}{8M_B} J_B^a(t) - \frac{3t}{16M_B} D_B^a(t) + \frac{M_B}{4} \left( 1 - \frac{t}{4M_B^2} \right) A_B^a(t) \right\} \right] u(p, J_3)$$

## ○ Twist-4 baryon matrix elements

$$\langle B(p', J'_3) | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^a(0) | B(p, J_3) \rangle = \bar{u}(p', J'_3) \left[ g_{\mu\nu} \left\{ M_B \bar{c}_B^a(t) + \frac{t}{8M_B} J_B^a(t) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - \frac{3t}{16M_B} D_B^a(t) + \frac{M_B}{4} \left( 1 - \frac{t}{4M_B^2} \right) A_B^a(t) \right\} \right] u(p, J_3)$$

cbar form factor comes from the **twist-4** operator!

MV Polyakov, HD Son, JHEP (2018)

Y Hatta, A Rajan, K Tanaka, JHEP (2018)

# Flavor decomposition of GFFs

- To decompose the GFFs, we need to compute the generalized EMT form factors for the flavor triplet & octet.

$$F_B^{\chi=0} = F_B^u + F_B^d + F_B^s,$$

$$F_B^{\chi=3} = F_B^u - F_B^d,$$

$$F_B^{\chi=8} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (F_B^u + F_B^d - 2F_B^s)$$

$$\sum_{a=q,g} F_B^a(t) = F_B(t), \quad \bar{c}_B(t) = 0$$

From the current conservation

- Naive effective EMT-like flavor nonsinglet currents

$$\hat{T}_{\mu\nu,\chi}^{\text{eff}}(x) = \frac{i}{4} \bar{\psi}(x) \left( \gamma_\mu \overrightarrow{\partial}_\nu + \gamma_\nu \overrightarrow{\partial}_\mu - \gamma_\mu \overleftarrow{\partial}_\nu - \gamma_\nu \overleftarrow{\partial}_\mu \right) \lambda_\chi \psi(x)$$

Note that they are not conserved.

Extracting **flavor-decomposed** cbar form factors are the most challenging one!



The role of gluons

H. Y. Won, HChK, and J.-Y. Kim, PRD **108** (2023)

H-Y. Won, HChK, J.-Y. Kim, JHEP 05 (2024)

# 3-D Distributions

# 3D distributions

- 2D EMT distributions are unambiguously defined in the 2D IMF or LF (Abel transform)  
(JY Panteleeva, MV Polyakov, PLB (2020), A Freese, GA Miller, PRD (2021), JY Kim, HChK, PRD (2021)).
- However, in the large  $N_c$  limit, it is natural and sufficient to focus on the 3D distributions.
- The large  $N_c$  approximation yields the equivalence between the light-front helicity state and the canonical spin state at rest (C. Lorce et al. PRD 106 (2022)).
- This allows one to perform *matching* between the 3D components of the EMT and the 2D LF ones (J.Y Kim et al. PLB 884 (2023)).

In the Breit frame

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu}^{a,B}(\mathbf{r}, J'_3, J_3) = \int \frac{d^3\Delta}{(2\pi)^3 2P^0} e^{-i\Delta\cdot\mathbf{r}} \langle B(p', J'_3) | \mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu}^a(0) | B(p, J_3) \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{O} = \{T, \bar{T}, \hat{T}\}$$

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# Mass distribution

Temporal component of the EMT

$$f = \{\varepsilon, \bar{\varepsilon}, \hat{\varepsilon}\}$$

$$f_B^a(r) \delta_{J'_3 J_3} := \mathcal{O}_{00}^{a,B}(\mathbf{r}, J'_3, J_3) = M_B \int \frac{d^3 \Delta}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\Delta \cdot r} F_B^a(t) \delta_{J'_3 J_3},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_B^a(t) &= \bar{\mathcal{E}}_B^a(t) + \hat{\mathcal{E}}_B^a(t), \\ \varepsilon_B^a(r) &= \bar{\varepsilon}_B^a(r) + \hat{\varepsilon}_B^a(r) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_B^a(t) &= \left[ A_B^a(t) + \bar{c}_B^a(t) - \frac{t}{4M_B^2} (A_B^a(t) - 2J_B^a(t) + D_B^a(t)) \right], \\ \bar{\mathcal{E}}_B^a(t) &= \frac{3}{4} \left[ A_B^a(t) - \frac{t}{4M_B^2} \left( A_B^a(t) - 2J_B^a(t) + \frac{1}{3} D_B^a(t) \right) \right], \\ \hat{\mathcal{E}}_B^a(t) &= \frac{1}{4} \left[ A_B^a(t) + 4\bar{c}_B^a(t) - \frac{t}{4M_B^2} (A_B^a(t) - 2J_B^a(t) + 3D_B^a(t)) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Mass monopole form factors

In the forward limit

$$\mathcal{E}_B^a(0) = A_B^a(0), \quad \bar{\mathcal{E}}_B^a(0) = \frac{3}{4} A_B^a(0), \quad \hat{\mathcal{E}}_B^a(0) = \frac{1}{4} A_B^a(0) + \bar{c}_B^a(0) \rightarrow \text{Twist-4 contributions}$$

# Mass distribution

## Baryon masses

$$\int d^3r \varepsilon_B^a(r) = M_B \mathcal{E}_B(0) = M_B [A_B^a(0) + \bar{c}_B^a(0)],$$

$$\int d^3r \bar{\varepsilon}_B^a(r) = M_B \bar{\mathcal{E}}_B(0) = M_B \frac{3}{4} [A_B^a(0)],$$

$$\int d^3r \hat{\varepsilon}_B^a(r) = M_B \hat{\mathcal{E}}_B(0) = M_B \frac{1}{4} [A_B^a(0) + 4\bar{c}_B^a(0)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \int d^3r f_B(r) = \int d^3r \sum_{a=q,g} f_B^a(r) = M_B \left\{ 1, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4} \right\}$$

$$\sum_{q,g} \bar{c}_a(r) = 0$$

Twsit-4

## Mass radii

$$\sum_{a=q,g} \langle r_{\text{mass}}^2 \rangle_B^a = \frac{\sum_{a=q,g} \int d^3r r^2 \varepsilon_B^a(r)}{\sum_{a=q,g} \int d^3r \varepsilon_B^a(r)} = 6 \frac{d}{dt} \left[ A_B(t) - \frac{t}{4M_B^2} D_B(t) \right]_{t=0}$$

# Angular momentum distribution

H-Y. Won, HChK, J.-Y. Kim, JHEP 05 (2024)

- 0i component of the EMT

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_i^{a,B}(\mathbf{r}, J'_3, J_3) &:= \epsilon_{ijk} r_j T_{0k}^{a,B}(\mathbf{r}, J'_3, J_3) \\
 &= 2 \left( \hat{S}_j \right)_{J'_3 J_3} \int \frac{d^3 \Delta}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\Delta \cdot \mathbf{r}} \left[ \left( J_B^a(t) + \frac{2}{3} t \frac{dJ_B^a(t)}{dt} \right) \delta_{ij} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \left( \Delta_i \Delta_j - \frac{1}{3} \Delta^2 \delta_{ij} \right) \frac{dJ_B^a(t)}{dt} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

- The angular momentum of a baryon

$$\rho_{J,B}^a(r) := \int \frac{d^3 \Delta}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\Delta \cdot \mathbf{r}} \left[ \left( J_B^a(t) + \frac{2}{3} t \frac{dJ_B^a(t)}{dt} \right) \right] \quad \rho_{J,B}(r) = \sum_{a=q,g} \rho_{J,B}^a(r)$$

$$\int d^3 r \sum_{a=q,g} J_i^{a,B}(\mathbf{r}, J'_3, J_3) = 2 \left( \hat{S}_i \right)_{J'_3 J_3} J_B(0) = \left( \hat{S}_i \right)_{J'_3 J_3},$$

- The decomposition of the angular momentum into the OAM and the quark spin requires the **twist-3** component of the EMT (the antisymmetric part of the EMT current): **Spin-Orbit correlation**

# Mechanical Properties

- ij component of the EMT

$$F = \{\mathcal{P}, \bar{\mathcal{P}}, \hat{\mathcal{P}}\}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{ij}^{a,B}(\mathbf{r}, J'_3, J_3) = \boxed{f_B^a(r)} \delta^{ij} \delta_{J'_3 J_3} + \boxed{s_B^a(r)} \left( \frac{r^i r^j}{r^2} - \frac{1}{3} \delta^{ij} \right) \delta_{J'_3 J_3}$$

Pressure densities

Shear-force densities

$$f_B^a(r) = M_B \int \frac{d^3 \Delta}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\Delta \cdot \mathbf{r}} F_B^a(t)$$

$$s_B^a(r) = -\frac{1}{4M_B} r \frac{d}{dr} \frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \int \frac{d^3 \Delta}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\Delta \cdot \mathbf{r}} D_B^a(t)$$

- Pressure form factors

$$\mathcal{P}_B^a(t) = \left[ -\bar{c}_B^a(t) + \frac{t}{6M_B^2} D_B^a(t) \right],$$

$$\bar{\mathcal{P}}_B^a(t) = \frac{1}{4} \left[ A_B^a(t) - \frac{t}{4M_B^2} \left( A_B^a(t) - 2J_B^a(t) + \frac{1}{3} D_B^a(t) \right) \right],$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{P}}_B^a(t) = -\frac{1}{4} \left[ A_B^a(t) + 4\bar{c}_B^a(t) - \frac{t}{4M_B^2} \left( A_B^a(t) - 2J_B^a(t) + 3D_B^a(t) \right) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_B^a(t) &= \bar{\mathcal{P}}_B^a(t) + \hat{\mathcal{P}}_B^a(t), \\ p_B^a(r) &= \bar{p}_B^a(r) + \hat{p}_B^a(r) \end{aligned}$$

In the forward limit,  $\mathcal{P}_B^a(0) = -\bar{c}_B^a(0)$ ,  $\bar{\mathcal{P}}_B^a = \frac{1}{4} A_B^a(0)$ ,  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}_B^a = -\frac{1}{4} A_B^a(0) - \bar{c}_B^a(0)$

- The unambiguous definition of the flavor-decomposed pressure distribution is not possible **without the twist-4 form factors considered.**

# Stability conditions (Equilibrium eqs)

- Conservation of the EMT

$$\sum_{a=q,g} \partial^i T_{ij}^{a,B} = \sum_{a=q,g} \frac{r_j}{r} \left[ \frac{2}{3} \frac{\partial s_B^a(r)}{\partial r} + \frac{2s_B^a(r)}{r} + \frac{\partial p_B^a(r)}{\partial r} \right] = \sum_{q=u,d,s} f_{B,j}^q + f_{B,j}^g = 0$$

- Internal force fields M. V. Polyakov & P. Schweitzer, JIMPA33 (2018)

$$f_{B,j}^a = -M_B \frac{\partial}{\partial r^j} \int \frac{d^3 \Delta}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\Delta \cdot \mathbf{r}} \bar{c}_B^a(t)$$

- Equilibrium Equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{2}{3} s_B(r) + p_B(r) \right) + \frac{2s_B(r)}{r} = 0$$

# Stability conditions (Equilibrium eqs)

- Von Laue condition

$$\int_0^\infty dr r^2 p_B(r) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Pressure density must have at least one nodal point.}$$

- Local stability condition [IA Perevalova, MV Polyako, P Schweitzer, PRD 94 \(2016\).](#)

$$\frac{2}{3}s_B(r) + p_B(r) > 0$$

See also Lorce et al. EPJC 79 (2019) for other stability conditions.

- Mechanical radius

$$\langle r_{\text{mech}}^2 \rangle_B = \frac{\int d^3r r^2 \left( \frac{2}{3}s_B(r) + p_B(r) \right)}{\int d^3r \left( \frac{2}{3}s_B(r) + p_B(r) \right)} = \frac{6D_B(0)}{\int_{-\infty}^0 D_B(t) dt}$$

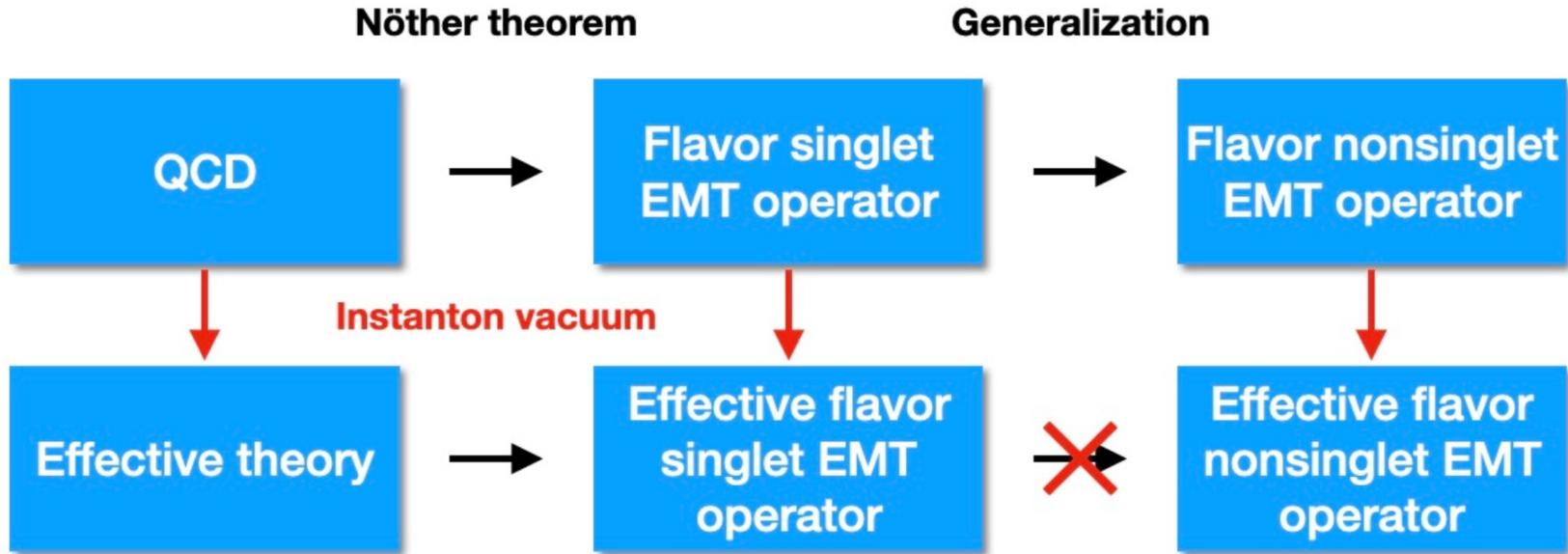
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# Effective EMT operators

# Effective EMT Operator

H-Y. Won, HChK, J.-Y. Kim, JHEP 05 (2024)



$$T_q^{\mu\nu}(x) + T_g^{\mu\nu}(x) [\text{QCD}] \xrightarrow{\text{eff}} T_{\chi=0}^{\mu\nu}(x) [\chi\text{QSM}]$$

Effective operators:  $T_\chi^{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{i}{4} \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{\partial}^{\nu\}} \lambda_\chi \psi(x) ?$

Flavor nonsinglet operators require careful derivation!

$$T_3^{\mu\nu}(x) \quad T_8^{\mu\nu}(x) \quad T_{1\pm 2i}^{\mu\nu}(x) \quad T_{4\pm 5i}^{\mu\nu}(x) \quad T_{6\pm 7i}^{\mu\nu}(x)$$

# Effective EMT Operator

## Sum rules in QCD

$$\sum_{a=q,g} A_N^a(0) = A_N(0) = 1, \quad [\text{QCD}]$$

$$\sum_{a=q,g} J_N^a(0) = J_N(0) = 1/2, \quad [\text{QCD}]$$

$$\sum_{a=q,g} \frac{\langle N | T_{a,\mu}^\mu | N \rangle}{2M_N} = M_N A_N(0),$$

$$\text{with } T_{q,\mu}^\mu = O(m_q), \quad [\text{QCD}]$$

$$\sum_{a=q,g} \int d^3r p_N^a(r) = 0, \quad \sum_{a=q,g} \bar{c}_N^a(t) = 0, \quad [\text{QCD}]$$

## Sum rules in the effective theory

$$\sum_{q=u,d,\dots} A_N^q(0) = A_N(0) = 1 \quad [\text{Eff. Theory}]$$

$$\sum_{q=u,d,\dots} J_N^q(0) = J_N(0) = 1/2, \quad [\text{Eff. Theory}]$$

$$\frac{\langle N | T_{\chi=0,\mu}^\mu | N \rangle}{2M_N} = M_N \sum_{q=u,d,\dots} A_N^q(0),$$

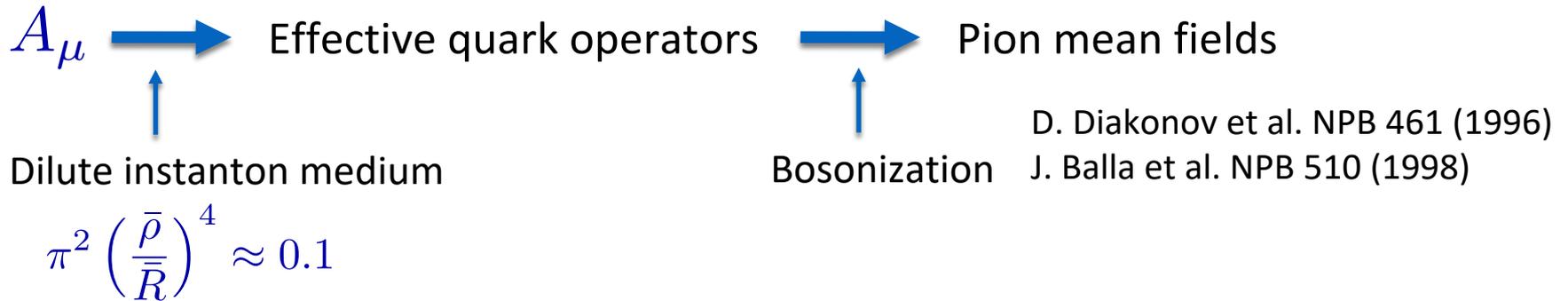
$$\text{with } T_{\chi=0,\mu}^\mu = T_{\chi=0}^{00} \quad [\text{Eff. Theory}]$$

$$\sum_{a=q,g} \int d^3r p_N^a(r) = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{eff}} \sum_q \int d^3r p_N^q(r) = 0$$

$$\sum_{a=q,g} \bar{c}_N^a(t) = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{eff}} \sum_q \bar{c}_N^q(t) = 0$$

Glucos are integrated out.

# EMT Operator from the instanton vacuum



All low-energy theorems are satisfied (chiral anomaly, trace anomaly, etc).

- **The chiral-even twist-2 local operator** is generated by expanding the non-local vector current, which measures the vector GPDs, with respect to the space-time distance:

$$O_q^{\mu\nu_1 \dots \nu_n} := \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu_1} \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu_2} \dots \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu_n\}} \lambda_\chi \psi(x) - \text{traces},$$

$$O_g^{\mu\nu_1 \dots \nu_n} := -F^{\{\mu\rho, a} \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu_1} \dots \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu_{n-1}} F_{\rho}^{\nu_n\}, a} - \text{traces}$$

Twist-2 gluon operators are suppressed with respect to the packing fraction.

$$\bar{T}_\chi^{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{i}{4} \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{\partial}^{\nu\}} \lambda_\chi \psi(x) - \text{traces}, \quad \bar{T}_g^{\mu\nu}(x) = 0$$

# EMT Operator from the instanton vacuum

- Twist-3 gluon operators

The contributions from these operators have been found to be crucial for satisfying the QCD equation of motion.

→ Essential role in the decomposition of the nucleon spin

Spin-orbit correlations are also related to them.

C. Lorce, PLB 735  
J.Y. Kim et al. PRD 110

- Twist-4 gluon operators should be also replaced by flavor-dependent quark operators.

→ Gluons should be considered when the flavor decomposition is considered, in particular, for the  $\bar{c}b$  form factors.

- We will restrict ourselves to the twist-2 case for the GFFs.

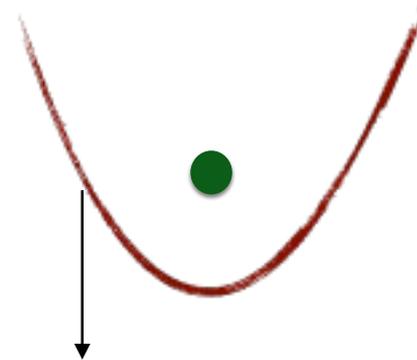
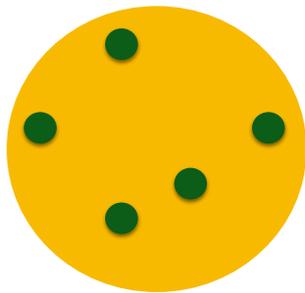
**Effective chiral theory  
of  
the Nucleon**

# Mean fields

Given action  $S[\phi]$ ,

$$\left. \frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi} \right|_{\phi=\phi_0} = 0 \quad : \text{Solution of this saddle-point equation } \phi_0$$

**This classical solution is regarded as a mean field.**



Mean-field potential that is produced by all other particles.

- Nuclear shell models
- Ginzburg-Landau theory for superconductivity
- Quark potential models for baryons

# Pion mean-field approach (Chiral Quark-Soliton model)

- \* Baryons as a state of  $N_c$  quarks bound by mesonic mean fields.

E. Witten (1979)

Effective chiral action from the instanton vacuum:

$$S_{\text{eff}}[\pi^a] = -N_c \text{Tr} \log (i\not{\partial} + iMU\gamma^5 + i\hat{m})$$

D. Diakonov & V. Petrov (1986)

- \* Key point: **Hedgehog** Ansatz

D. Diakonov, V. Petrov, P. Pobylitsa (1988)

$$\pi^a(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} n^a P(r), & n^a = x^a/r, & a = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0 & & a = 4, 5, 6, 7 \end{cases} \quad P(r): \text{profile function}$$

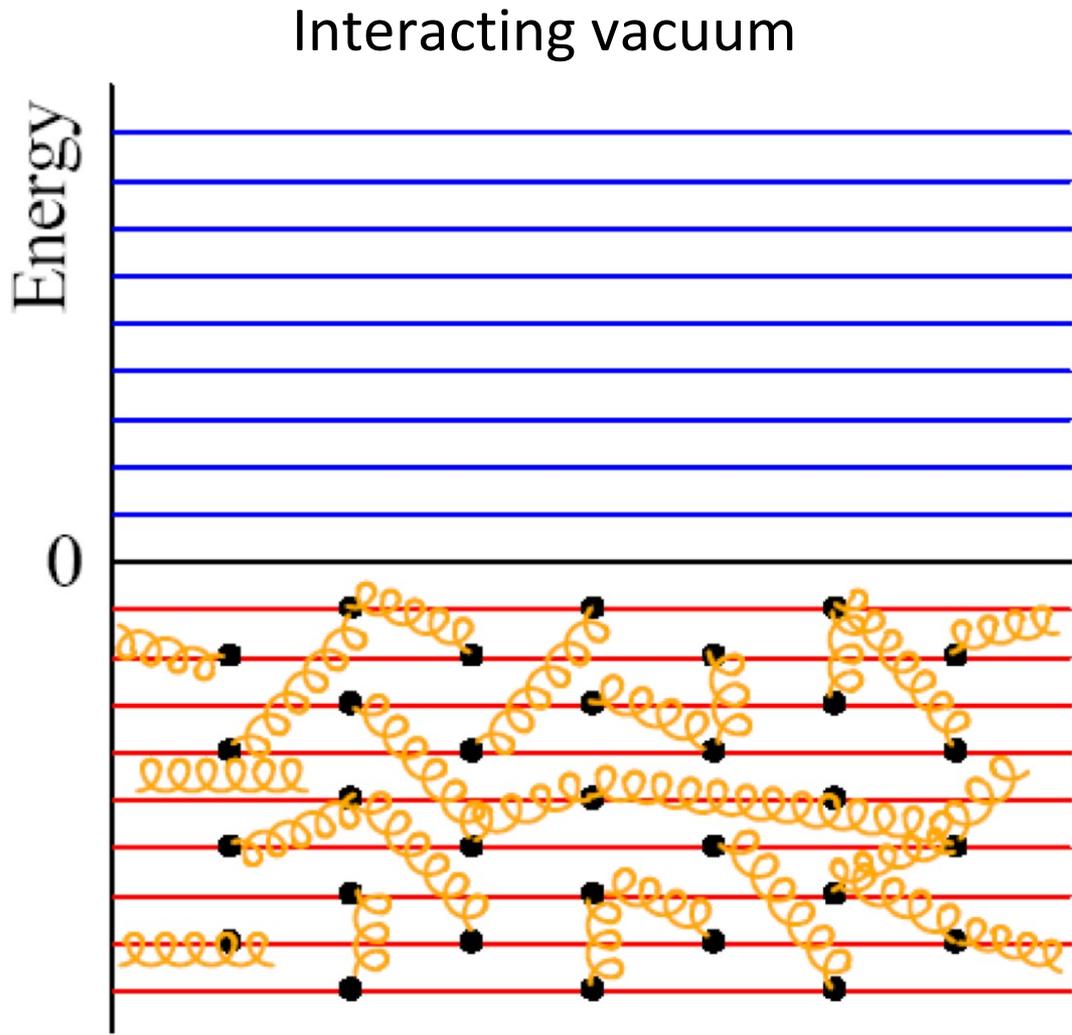
It breaks spontaneously  $SU(3)_{\text{flavor}} \otimes O(3)_{\text{space}} \rightarrow SU(2)_{\text{isospin+space}}$

Witten's trivial embedding

$$U_o = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\mathbf{n}\cdot\boldsymbol{\tau}P(r)} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

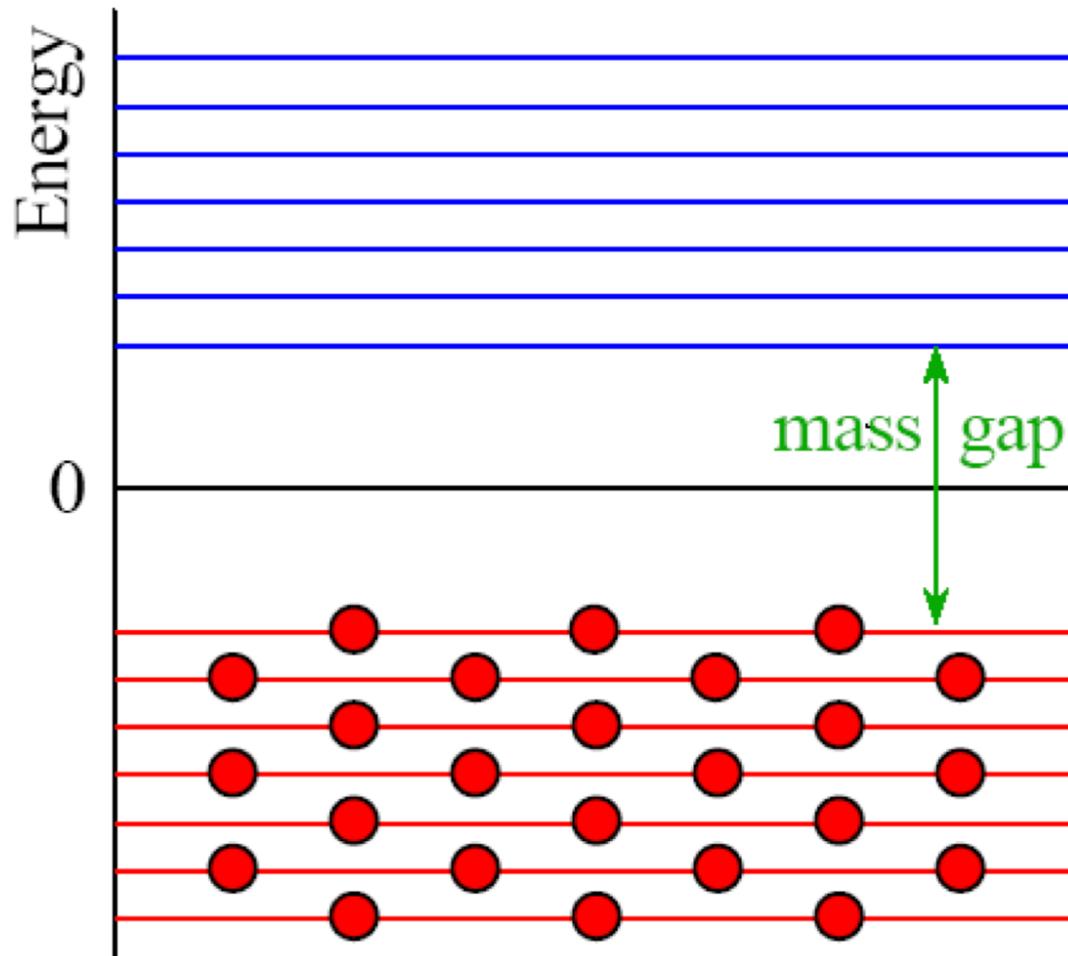
Ch. Christov, HChK, K. Goeke et al. PNP (1996)  
D. Diakonov hep-ph/9802298

# Schematic view on the XQSM



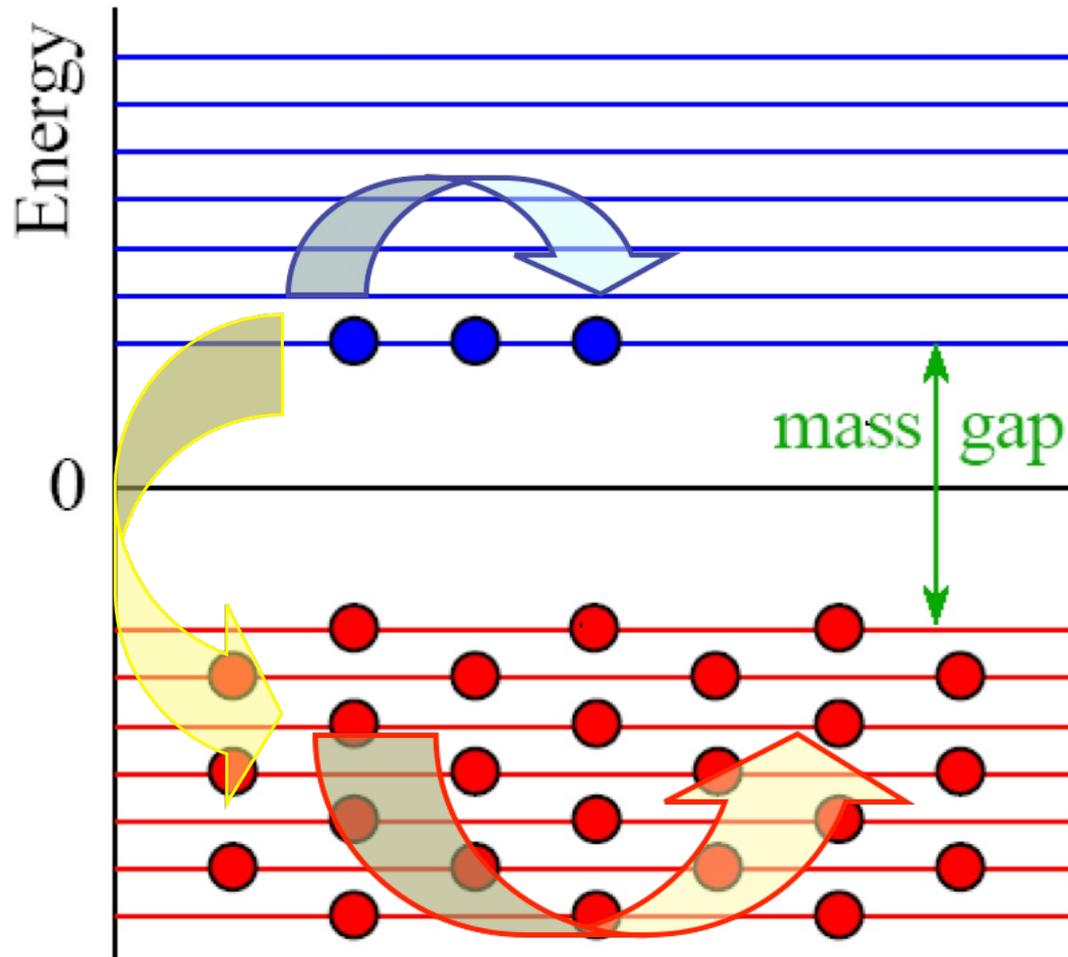
# Schematic view on the XQSM

Spontaneous breakdown of chiral symmetry



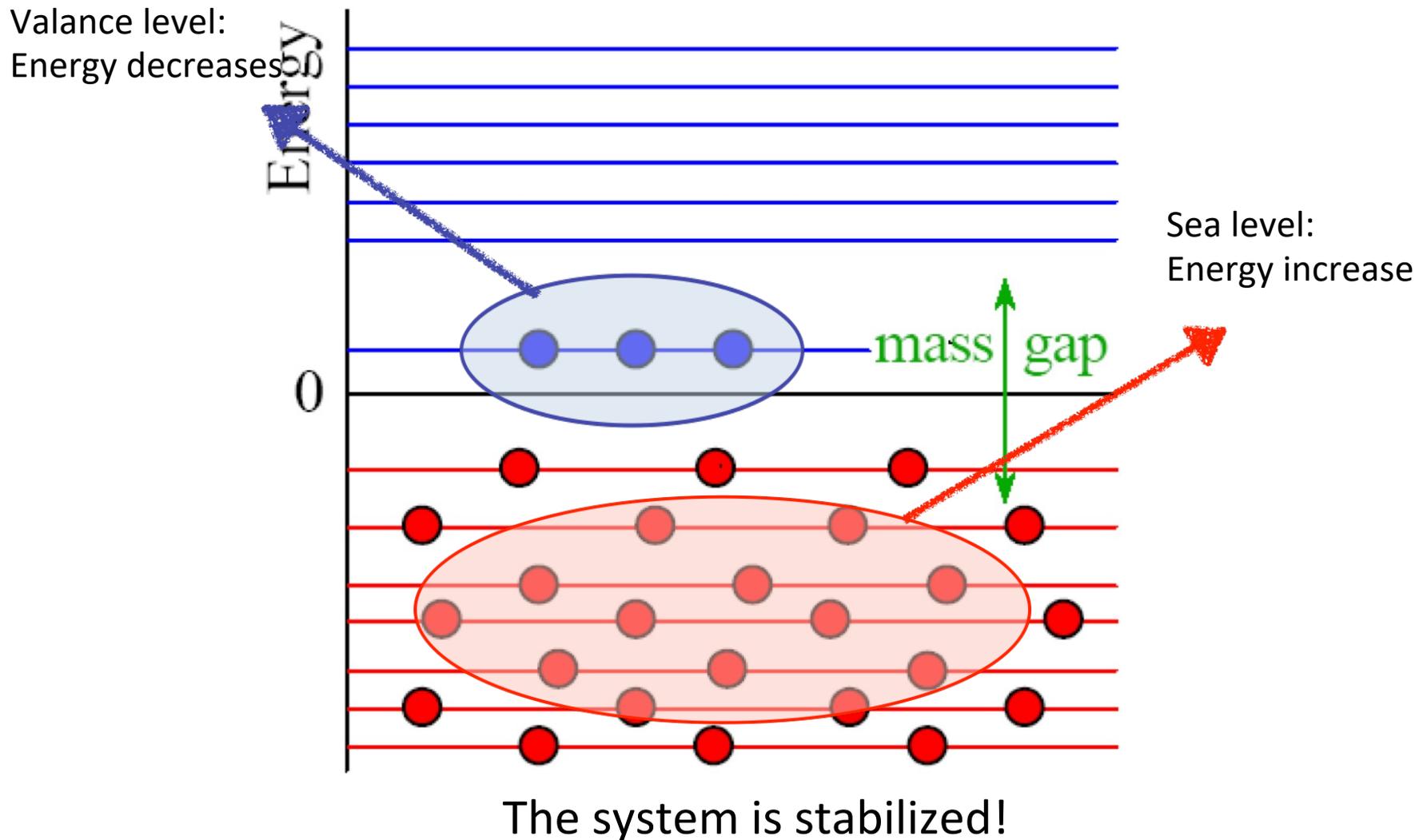
# Schematic view on the XQSM

Interaction between quarks and pion background fields



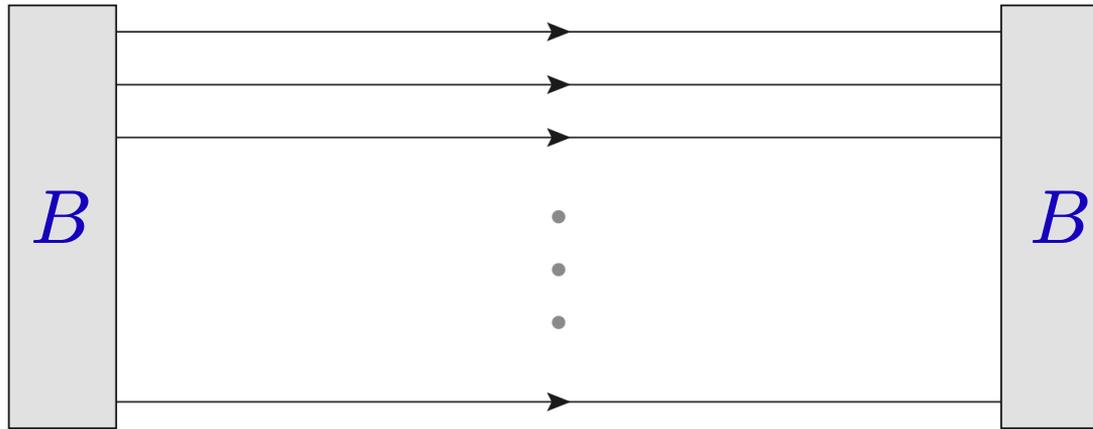
# Schematic view on the XQSM

$N_c$  quarks are bounded by the pion mean fields self-consistently.



# Baryon correlation function

Baryon as  $N_c$  valence quarks bound by pion mean fields



$$\langle J_B J_B^\dagger \rangle_0 \sim e^{-N_c E_{\text{val}} T}$$

$$\Pi_N(\vec{x}, t) = \Gamma_N^{\{f\}} \Gamma_N^{\{g\}*} \frac{1}{Z} \int dU \prod_{i=1}^{N_c} \left\langle 0, T/2 \left| \frac{1}{D(U)} \right| 0, -T/2 \right\rangle_{f,g} e^{-S_{\text{eff}}}$$

Presence of  $N_c$  quarks will polarize the vacuum or create mean fields.

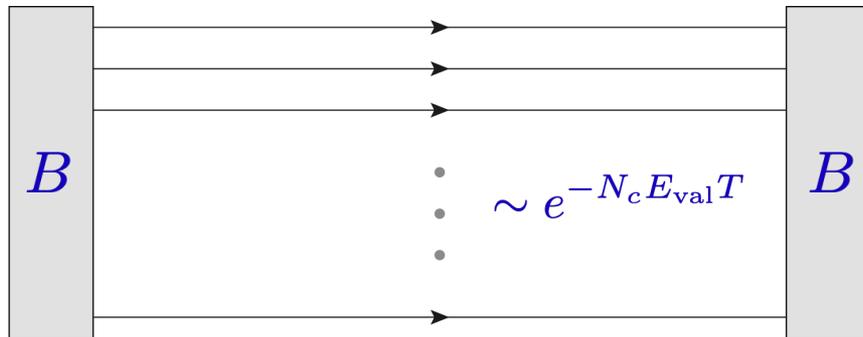
$N_c$  valence quarks



Vacuum polarization or meson mean fields

# Baryon correlation function

Baryon as  $N_c$  valence quarks bound by pion mean fields



$$\Pi_N \underset{T \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \int D\pi^a e^{-[N_c E_{\text{val}} + E_{\text{sea}}]T}$$



$$M_{\text{cl}} = \min[N_c E_{\text{val}} + E_{\text{sea}}]$$



Classical Nucleon mass is described by the  $N_c$  valence-quark energy and sea-quark energy.

Ch. Christov, HChK, K. Goeke et al. PPNP (1996)

$$\frac{\delta M_{\text{cl}}}{\delta P(r)} = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad M_{\text{cl}} \xrightarrow{\quad} P(r)$$

P(r): Soliton profile function  
or Soliton field

# Zero-mode(collective) quantization

- Rotational & Translational zero modes

$$\int \mathcal{D}U \mathcal{F}[U(\mathbf{x})] \rightarrow \int d^3 \mathbf{X} \int \mathcal{D}A \mathcal{F} [T A U_{\text{cl}}(R\mathbf{x}) A^\dagger T^\dagger]$$

- Collective Hamiltonian & Wavefunctions in flavor SU(3) symmetry

$$H_{\text{coll}} = M_{\text{sol}} + \frac{1}{2I_1} \sum_{i=1}^3 \hat{J}_i^2 + \frac{1}{2I_2} \sum_{p=4}^7 \hat{J}_p^2$$

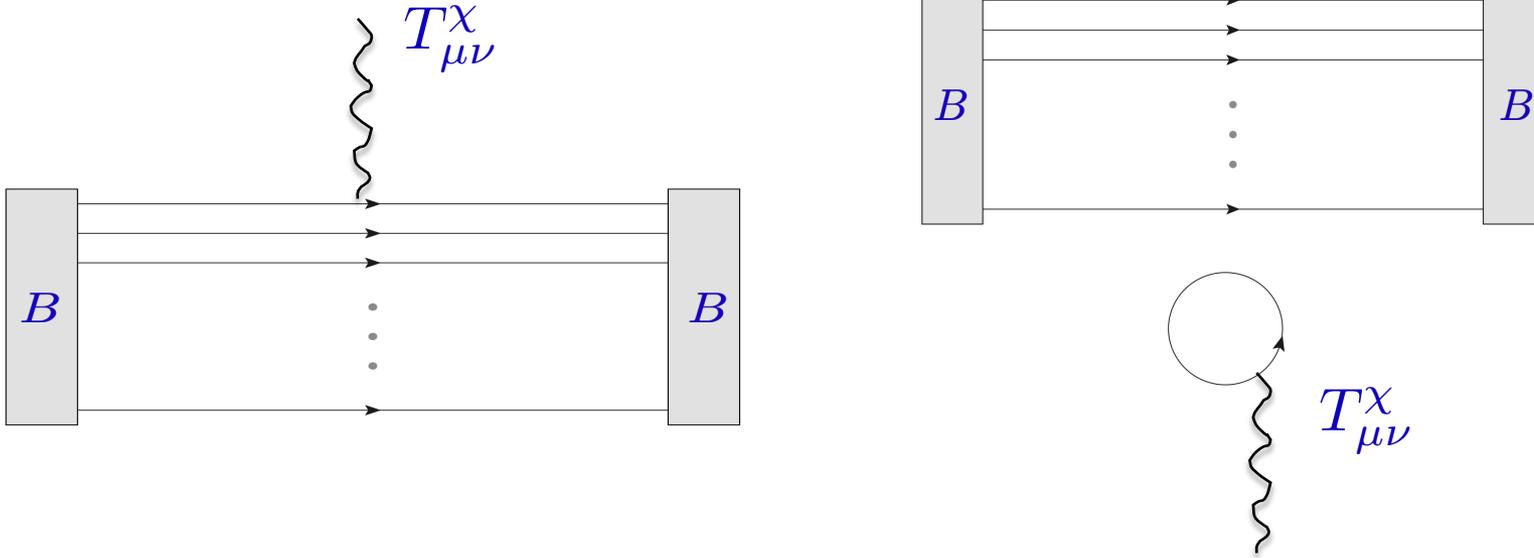
$$\Psi_{(YTT_3)(Y_R J J_3)}^{(\mu)}(A) = \sqrt{\dim(\mu)} (-1)^{J_3 - Y_R/2} D_{(YTT_3)(Y_R J - J_3)}^{(\mu)*}(A)$$

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# GFFs from the XQSM

- Rotational & Translational zero modes



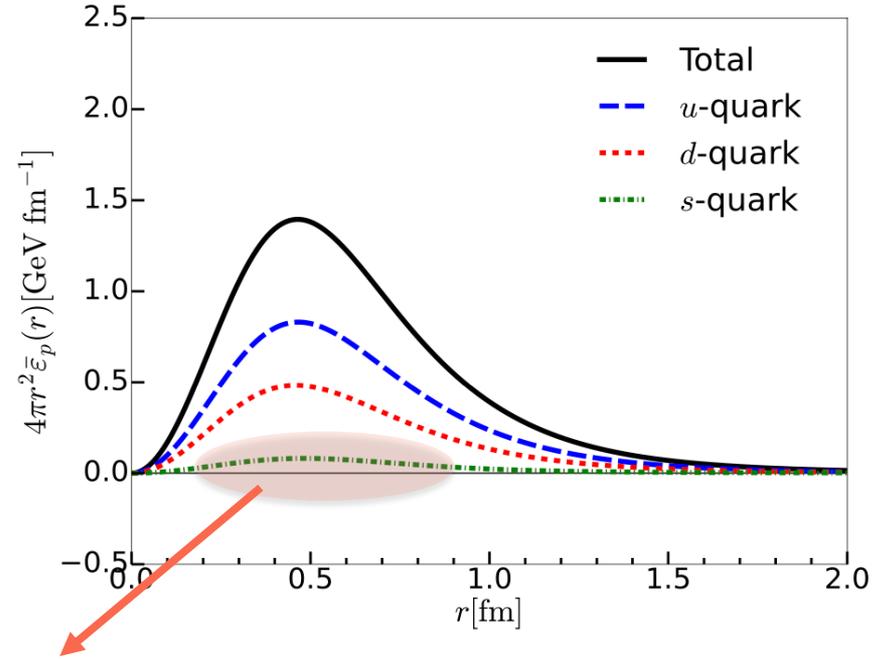
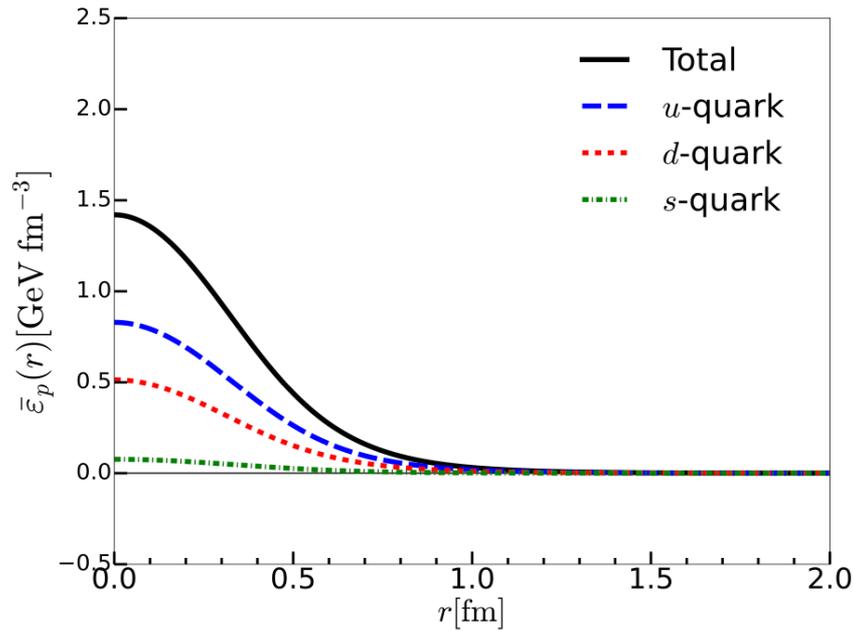
$$\langle B(p', J'_3) | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu, \chi}^{\text{eff}}(0) | B(p, J_3) \rangle = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{Z_{\text{eff}}} \mathcal{N}^*(p') \mathcal{N}(p) e^{ip_4 \frac{T}{2} - ip'_4 \frac{T}{2}} \int d^3 \mathbf{x} d^3 \mathbf{y} e^{(-i\mathbf{p}' \cdot \mathbf{y} + i\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{x})}$$

$$\times \int \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\psi^\dagger \mathcal{D}U J_B(\mathbf{y}, T/2) \hat{T}_{\mu\nu, \chi}^{\text{eff}}(0) J_B^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, -T/2) \exp[-S_{\text{eff}}]$$

For detailed results, see the Refs. H. Y. Won, HChK, J.-Y. Kim JHEP (2024) & PRD 108 (2023)

# Results & Discussion

# Mass distributions



Contribution from the s quark is negligible.

$$\frac{3}{4} A_p^X(0) = \frac{1}{M_{\text{sol}}} \int d^3 r \bar{\varepsilon}_p^X(r)$$

$$A_p^0(0) = 1, \quad A_p^3(0) = 0.25, \quad A_p^8(0) = 0.47, \quad [\text{SU}(3)]$$

$$A_p^0(0) = 1, \quad A_p^3(0) = 0.24 \quad [\text{SU}(2)]$$

# Mass distributions

- The gluon contributions to the leading-twist operators are parametrically suppressed with respect to the instanton packing fraction.

$$A_B^g = 0, \quad J_B^g = 0$$

J. Balla et al. NPB 510 (1998)  
M. Polyakov & H. Son, JHEP 09 (2018)

$$\bar{\varepsilon}_p^{u,d,s}(r) > 0$$

$$\bar{\varepsilon}_p^u(0) = 0.83 \text{ GeV/fm}^3, \quad \bar{\varepsilon}_p^d(0) = 0.51 \text{ GeV/fm}^3,$$
$$\bar{\varepsilon}_p^s(0) = 0.08 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{mass}}^p = 0.54 \text{ fm}^2 \quad [\text{SU}(3)]$$

In the neutron,  
u for d and d for u.

$$\bar{\varepsilon}_p^u(r) = \bar{\varepsilon}_n^d(r)$$
$$\bar{\varepsilon}_p^s(r) = \bar{\varepsilon}_n^s(r)$$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{mass}}^p < \langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{charge}}^p \quad \langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{charge}}^p \approx 0.75 \text{ fm}^2$$

# Mass distributions

$$A_p^u(0) = 0.59, \quad A_p^d(0) = 0.35, \quad A_p^s(0) = 0.06, \quad [\text{SU}(3)]$$

$$A_p^u(0) = 0.62, \quad A_p^d(0) = 0.38, \quad [\text{SU}(2)]$$

- These numbers can be understood as the second Mellin moments of the PDFs. We list the predictions of the proton momentum fraction carried by the u-, d-, and s-quarks:

$$[\langle x \rangle_u : \langle x \rangle_d : \langle x \rangle_s] = [59\% : 35\% : 6\%]$$

# Angular momentum distribution

$$J_p^0(0) = \int d^3r \rho_{J,p}^0(r) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$J_p^0 = 0.50, \quad J_p^3 = 0.58, \quad J_p^8 = 0.22, \quad [\text{SU}(3)].$$

$$J_p^0 = 0.50, \quad J_p^3 = 0.55, \quad [\text{SU}(2)]$$

Strange quark contribution is negligible.

$$J_p^u = 0.52, \quad J_p^d = -0.06, \quad J_p^s = 0.04, \quad [\text{SU}(3)].$$

$$J_p^u = 0.53, \quad J_p^d = -0.03, \quad [\text{SU}(2)]$$

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q \Delta q + \sum_q L^q + J_g \quad : \text{ Ji's relation} \quad \text{X. Ji, PRL 78 (1997)}$$

$J_g \approx 0$  Suppressed by the instanton packing fraction.

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q \Delta q + \sum_q L^q \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q \Delta q + \sum_q L^q = 0.23 + 0.27$$

# Problem of the naive decomposition

- Decomposition of the isotriplet J

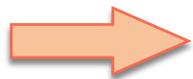
$$J_p^{u-d} = L_p^{u-d} + S_p^{u-d} + \boxed{\delta J_p^{u-d}} \quad \text{M. Wakamatsu \& H. Nakakoji, PRD 71 (2005)}$$

Violation of Ji's sum rule (X.D. Ji, PRL 78 (1997))

- Origin of  $\delta J_p^{u-d}$  : role of gluons
- The second moment of the chiral-odd **twist-3** quark distribution

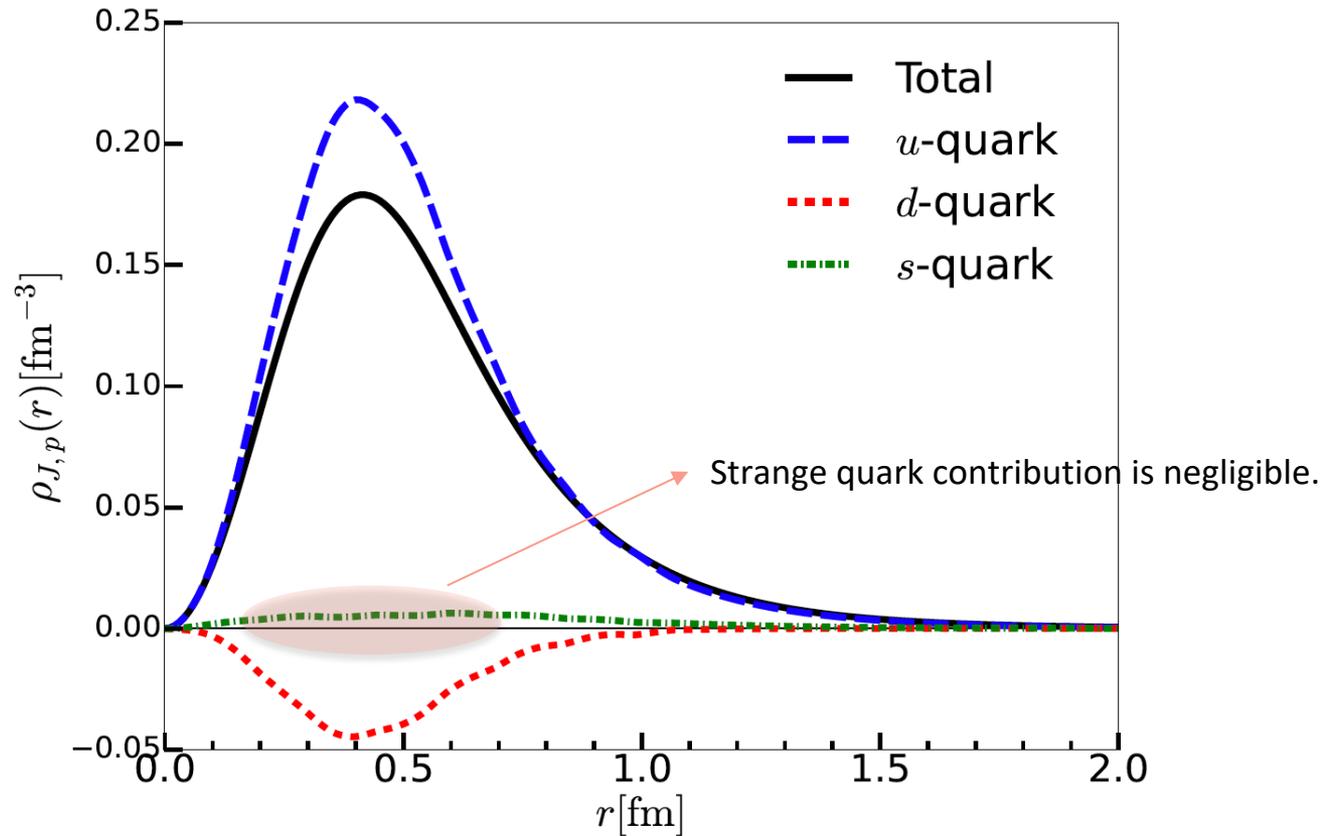
$$\int_{-1}^1 dx x e^{u+d}(x) = \frac{m}{M_N} N_c + \boxed{\frac{M}{M_N} \beta} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{P. Schweitzer, PRD 67 (2005)} \\ \text{Ohnishi \& M. Wakamatsu, PRD 69 (2004)} \end{array}$$

This makes the second moment deviate from QCD.

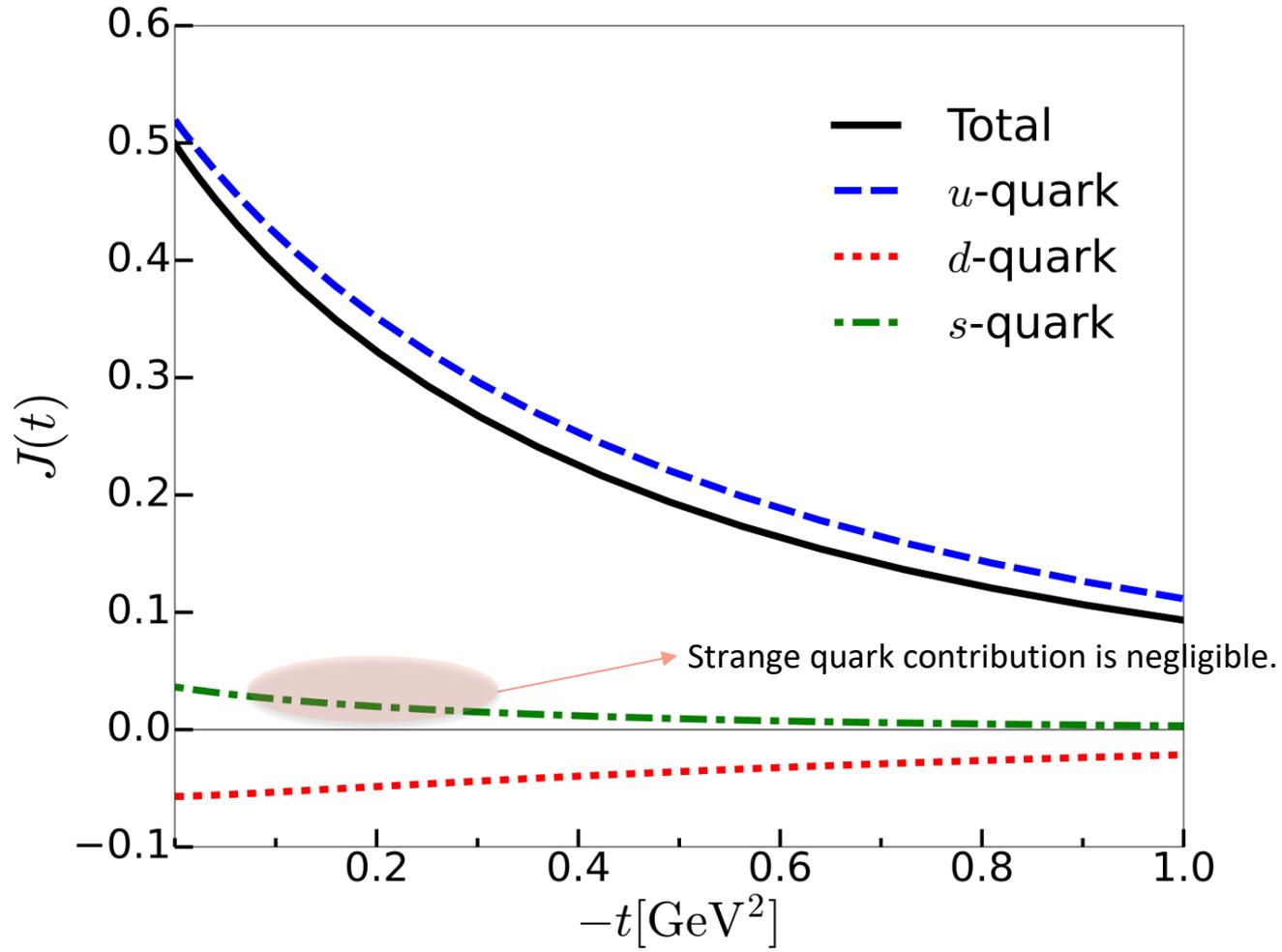


- Indication: If the covariant derivatives had been used, these discrepancies would have been resolved.
- **Spin-orbit correlations** are also very important to consider.

# Angular momentum distribution



# Flavor-decomposed J form factors



# Mechanical properties: Twist-2 case

## Stability condition in SU(3)

$$\int d^3r p_p^{u+d+s}(r) = 0$$

However, there is no proper way of constructing the effective flavor-triplet and -octet EMT currents by a global symmetry.

- Our strategy

~~$$T_x^{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{i}{4} \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{\partial}^{\nu\}} \lambda_\chi \psi(x)$$
 : It contains both twist-2 & twist-4 operators.~~

We first consider the twist-2 EMT operator

$$\bar{T}_x^{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{i}{4} \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{\partial}^{\nu\}} \lambda_\chi \psi(x) - \text{traces}, \quad \bar{T}_g^{\mu\nu}(x) = 0$$

# Mechanical properties: Twist-2 case

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Twist-2 case

$$\int d^3r \bar{p}_p^{u+d+s}(r) = \frac{1}{4}M_N \neq 0! \quad \Rightarrow$$

Twist-4 contribution

$$\int d^3r \hat{p}_p^{u+d+s}(r) = -\frac{1}{4}M_N$$

$$\bar{p}_B^\chi(r) = \frac{1}{3}\bar{\varepsilon}_B^\chi(r)$$

Both quark and gluon contribution should be considered.

# Twist-4 effective operator

Decomposition of the quark and gluon contributions in  $\bar{c} \text{ ff}$ .

➡ Regularization and renormalization scheme dependence

➡ Discrepancy between Hatta et al. and Polyakov & Son

Hatta et al. JHEP 12, 008 (2018)

$$\bar{c}_q(0, \mu) = \frac{1}{4} \left[ -A_q(0, \mu) + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left\{ \frac{\langle F^2 \rangle_R}{3M_N} \right\} \right],$$
$$\bar{c}_g(0, \mu) = \frac{1}{4} \left[ -A_g(0, \mu) + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left\{ -\frac{11N_c}{6} \frac{\langle F^2 \rangle_R}{M_N} \right\} \right]$$

Ratio of the quark and gluon contribution

$$[\text{quark} : \text{gluon}] = \left[ 1 : -\frac{11N_c}{2} \right]$$

$$\bar{c}_Q \simeq -0.124 [\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}]$$

$$\bar{c}_Q \simeq -0.146 [\mu = \infty] \text{ pQCD}$$

Dimensional regularization

Polyakov & Son JHEP 09, 156 (2018)

$$\langle p' s' | \frac{1}{2} i g \bar{\psi} G^{\beta\alpha} \gamma_\alpha \psi | p, s \rangle = M_N \bar{c}^Q \Delta^\beta \bar{u}(p', s') u(p, s)$$

$$\langle p' s' | \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(G^{\beta\alpha} [iD^\sigma, F_{\sigma\alpha}]) | p, s \rangle = M_N \bar{c}^g \Delta^\beta \bar{u}(p', s') u(p, s)$$

$$\bar{c}_{\text{quark}} \sim \frac{1}{6} (M\bar{\rho})^2 \log \frac{1}{M\bar{\rho}}$$

$$\bar{c}_Q \simeq 1.4 \times 10^{-2} [\mu = .6 \text{ GeV}]$$

➡

$$\bar{c}_Q \simeq 0$$
$$\bar{c}_g \simeq 0$$

# Twist-4 effective operator

Quark part of the twist-4 operators

Isovector part:  $T_{\mu\nu,Q}^{(4),\chi=3} \sim (M\bar{\rho})^2 \sim 0$

Derivation of the isoscalar part (EMT) is under way

Gluon part of the twist-4 operators

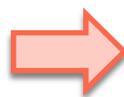
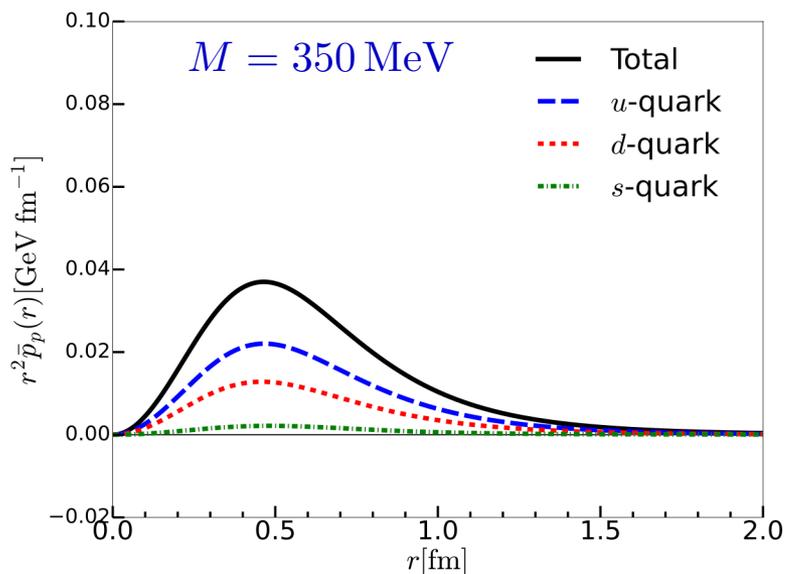
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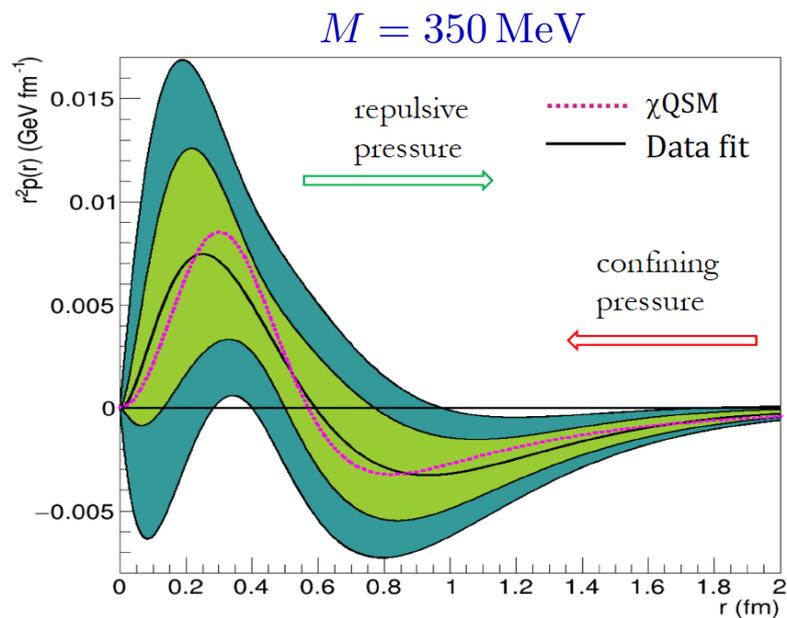
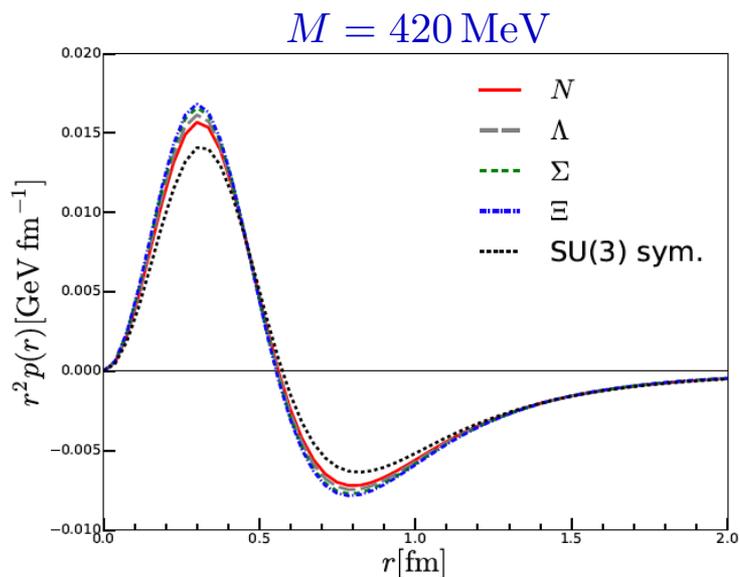
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# Mechanical properties: Twist-2 case

H-Y. Won, HChK, J.-Y. Kim, JHEP 05 (2024)



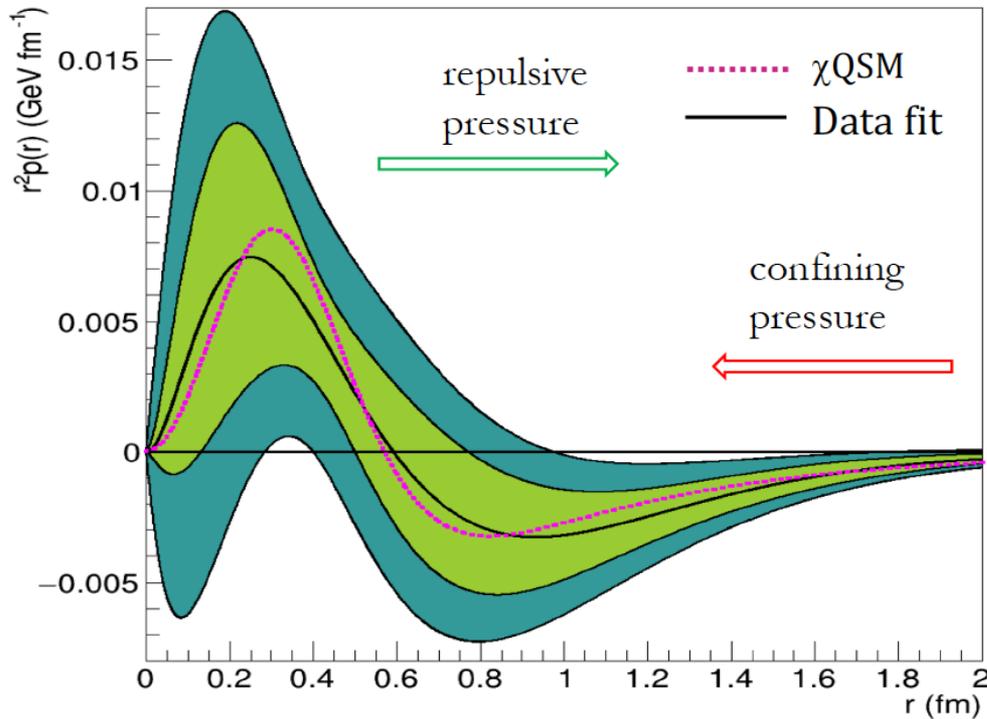
Twist-2 part of the pressure density.  
 No nodal point.



V.B., L. Elouadrhiri, F.X. Girod, Nature 557 (2018) 7705, 396

H.W. Won, J.-Y. Kim, HChK, PRD 108 (2023)

# Color blindness in SU(3)



*V.B., L. Elouadrhiri, F.X. Girod, Nature 557 (2018) 7705, 396*

Burkert et al. assumed the flavor blindness.

$$D^{u-d}(0) \approx 0$$

$$D^{u-d}(0) = 0.29 \quad \text{in SU(2)}$$

$$D^{u-d}(0) = 0.062 \quad \text{in SU(3)}$$



The flavor blindness is only valid in SU(3)!



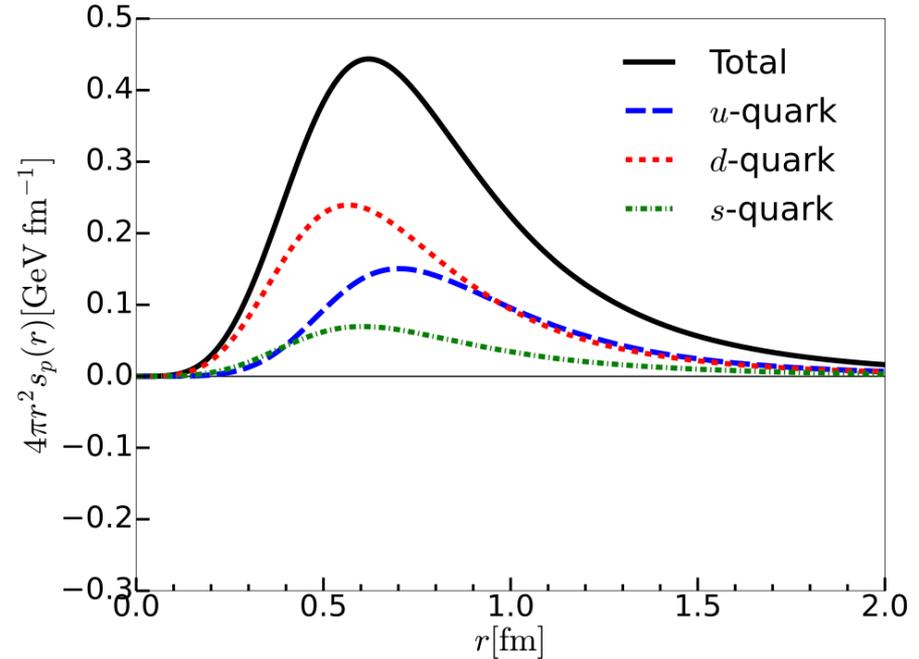
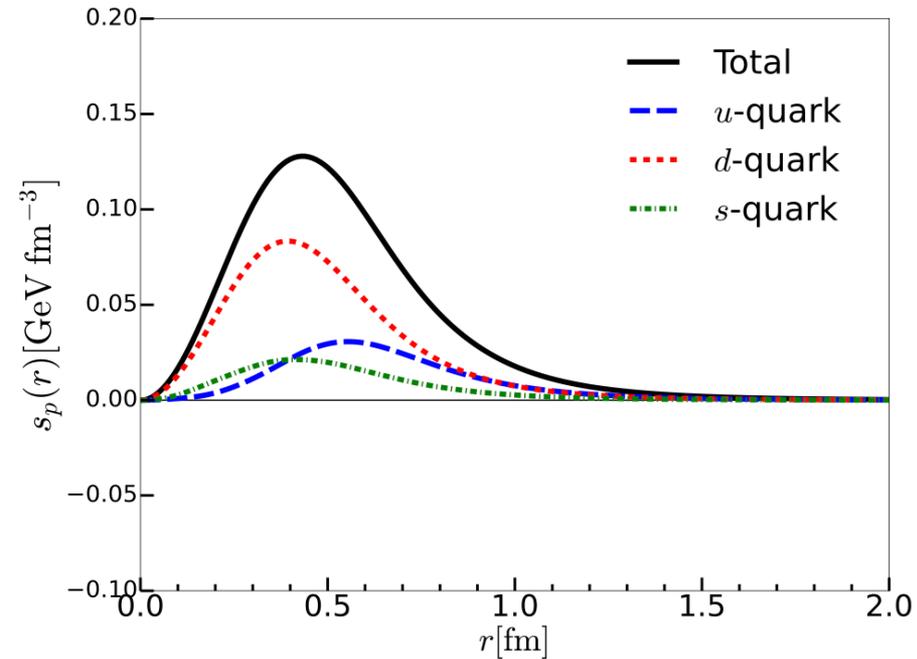
The strange quarks should essentially be considered in the proton!

Lattice QCD arrives at a similar conclusion.  
(D. Hackett et al. 2310.08484)

H.W. Won, J.-Y. Kim, HChK, PRD 108 (2023)

# Shear force densities

ij off-diagonal component of the EMT: No twist-4 contribution

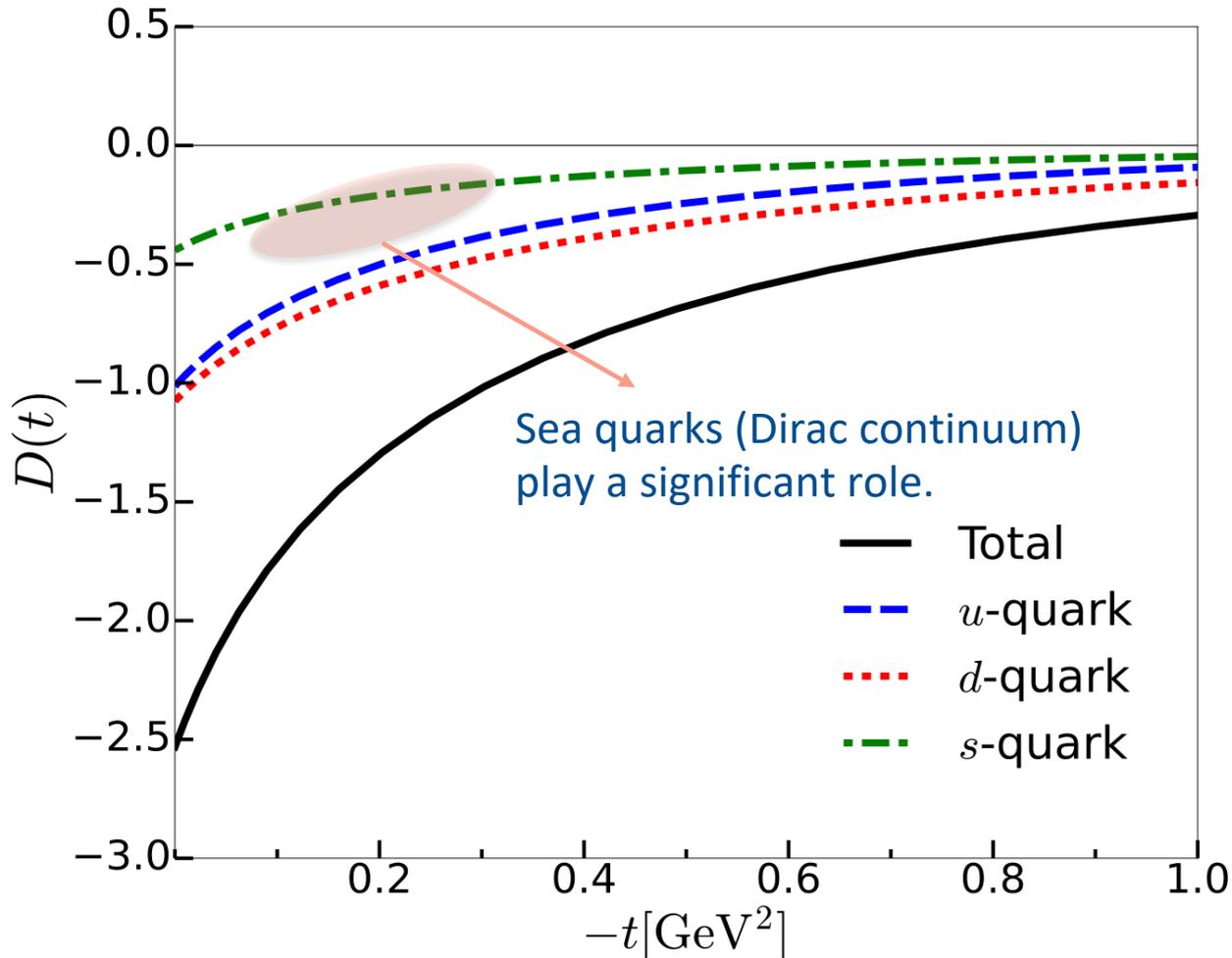


$$\frac{2}{3}s_p(r) + p_p(r) > 0 \quad \text{Local equilibrium condition}$$

# Flavor-decomposed D-term form factors

$$D_B^\chi(t) \delta_{J'_3 J_3} = 4M_{\text{sol}} \int d^3r \frac{j_2(r\sqrt{-t})}{t} s_B^\chi(r)$$

D-term can be evaluated at the twist-2 level.



Similar situation in the EM transitions of the delta isobar

Y Hatta, M Strikman, PLB (2021)

$$-1.3 < D_s < 0.4$$

The strange-quark contributions are essential for **flavor blindness!**

# Estimation of mechanical Radius

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{mech}} = \frac{\int d^3r r^2 \left[ \frac{2}{3}s(r) + p(r) \right]}{\int d^3r \left[ \frac{2}{3}s(r) + p(r) \right]} = \boxed{\frac{6D}{\int_{-\infty}^0 dt D(t)}}$$

$$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{mech}}} = 0.69 \text{ fm}$$

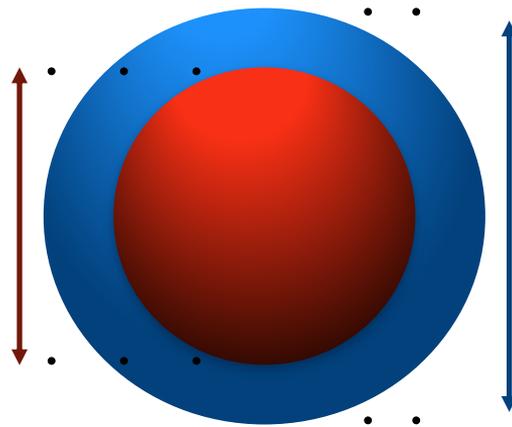
$$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{mech}}} = (0.63 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.13) \text{ fm}$$

V. Burkert et al. (2022)

$$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{mech}}} = 0.73 \text{ fm} \text{ in SU(3)}$$

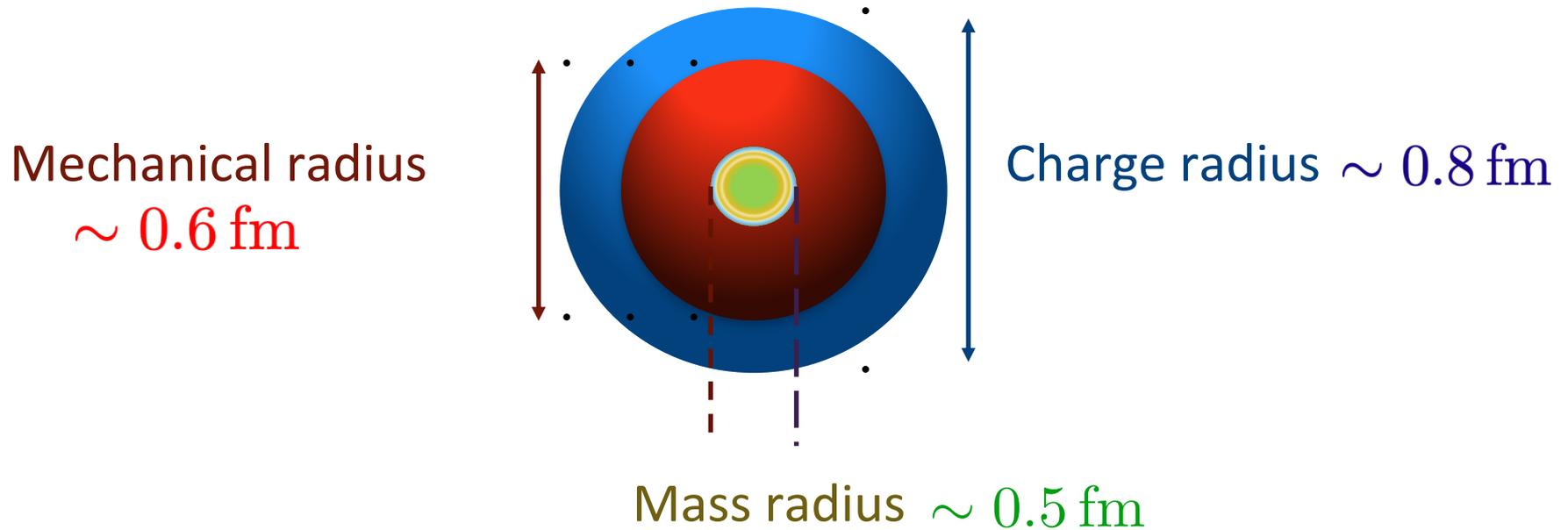
$$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{mech}}} < \sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{ch}}}$$

Mechanical radius  
 $\sim 0.6 \text{ fm}$



Charge radius  $\sim 0.8 \text{ fm}$

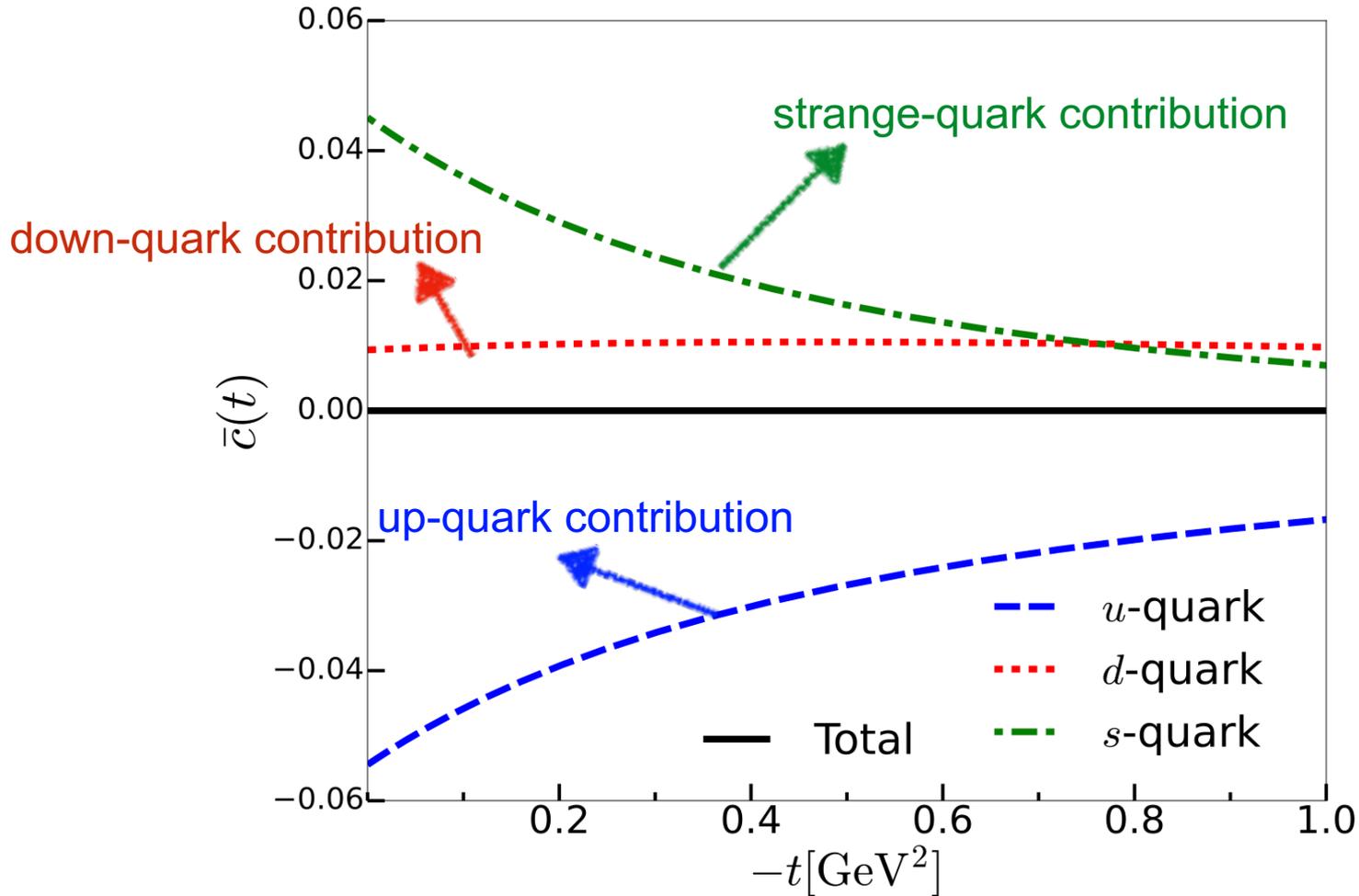
# Estimation of mechanical radius



$$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{mass}}} < \sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{mech}}} < \sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{ch}}}$$

# Flavor-decomposed $\bar{c}$ form factors

Following Polyakov & Son, i.e.,  $\bar{c}_g \simeq 0$

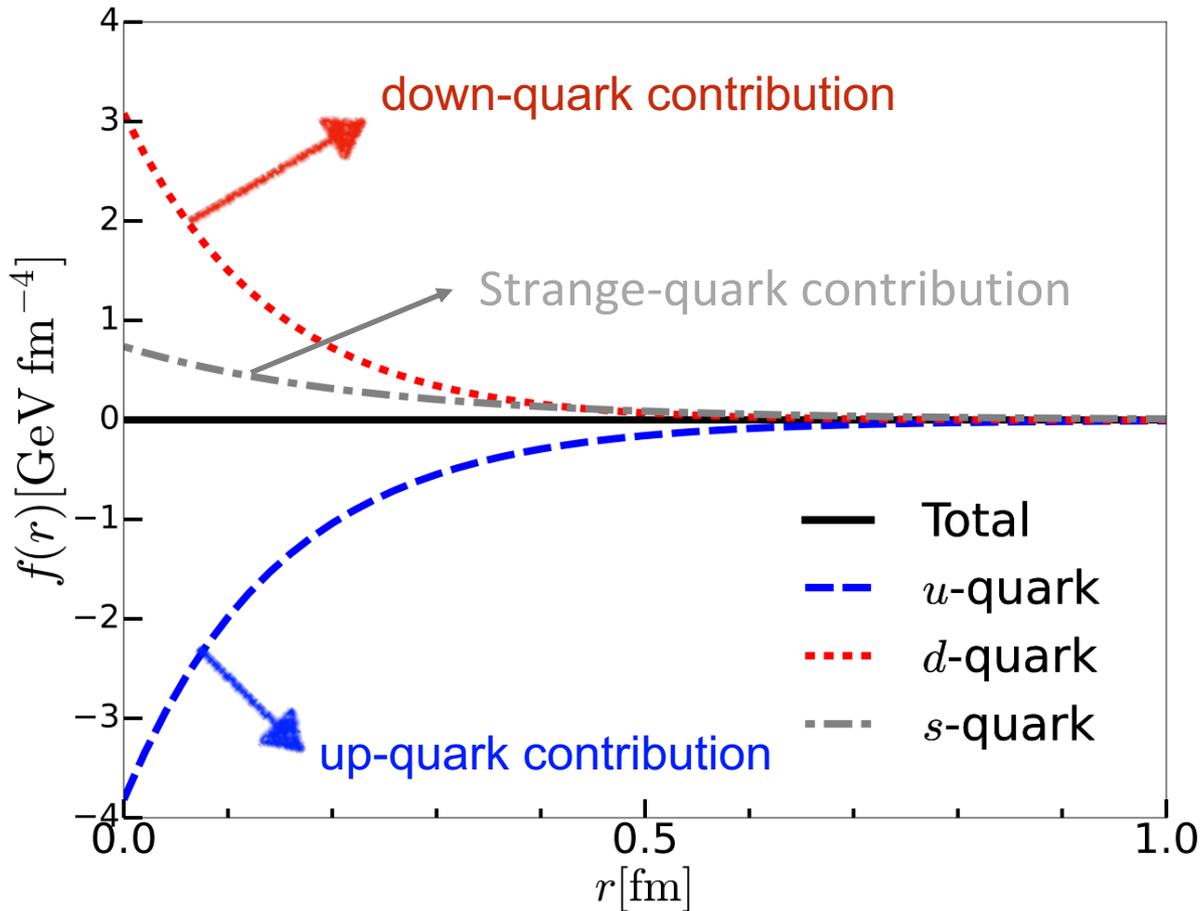


**The down & strange-quark contributions exactly cancel out the up-quark contribution!**

# Flavor-decomposed cbar form factors

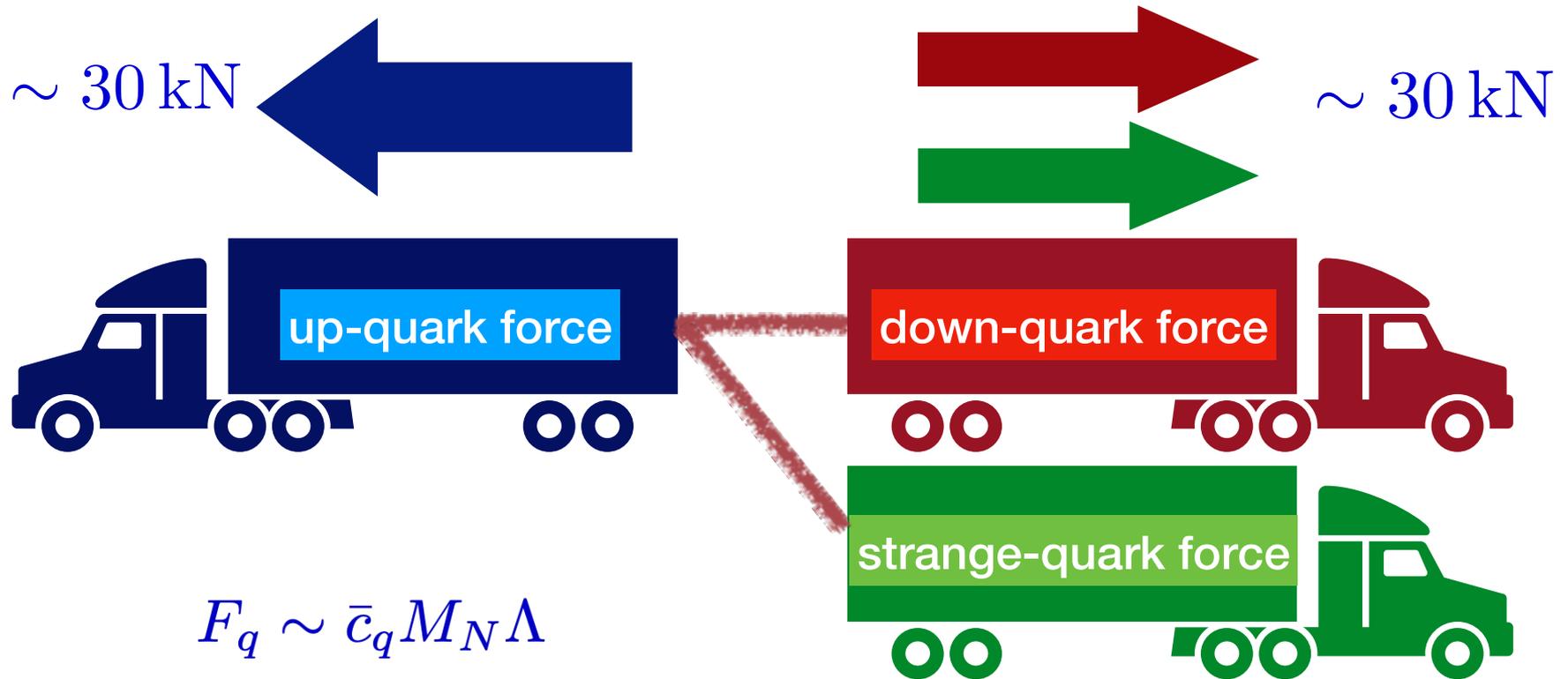
- Force field densities inside the nucleon:  $f_j^q = -M_N \frac{\partial}{\partial r^j} \int \frac{d^3 \Delta}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\Delta \cdot r} \bar{c}^q(t)$

$$\bar{c}_g \simeq 0$$



# Cancellation of the force fields from cbar

The up-quark contribution is balanced with the down & strange-quark contributions.



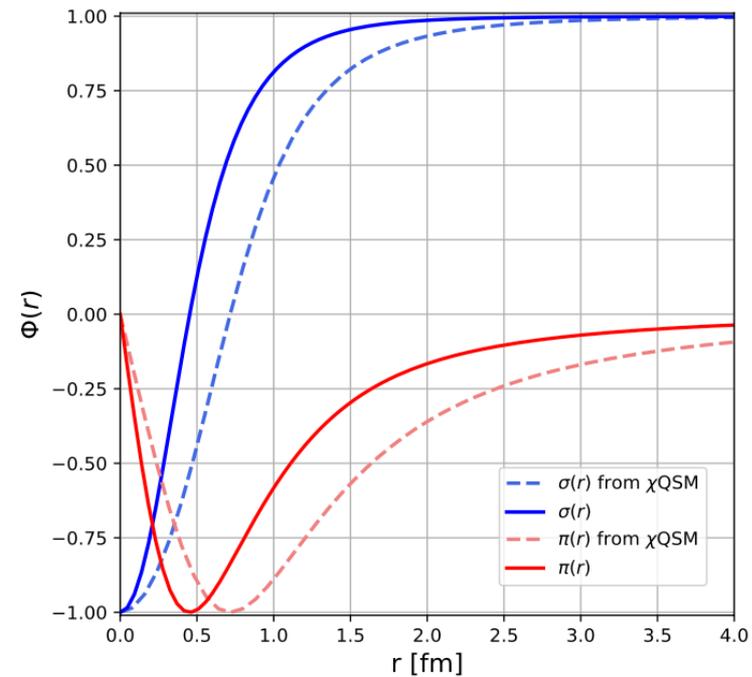
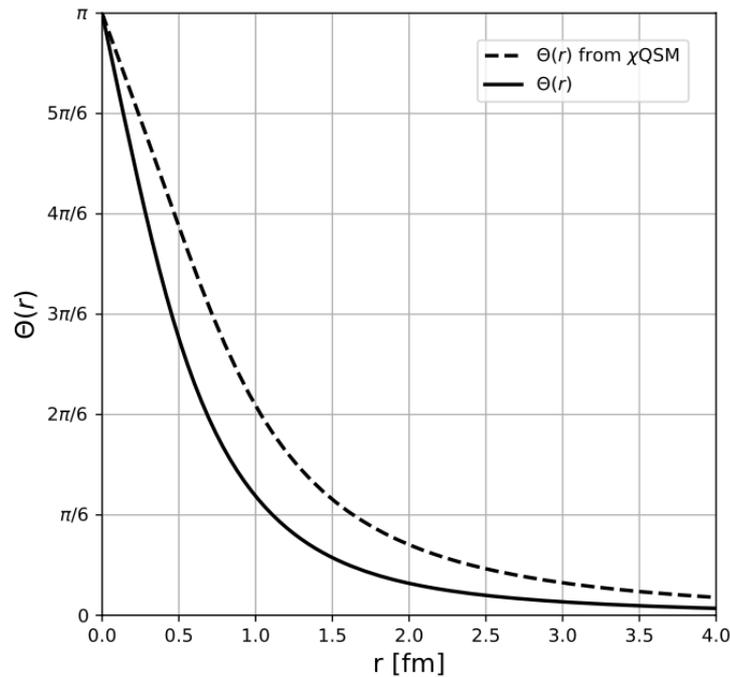
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# Nucleon from the QCD instanton vacuum

Motivation: aiming at dealing with gluonic matrix elements

Starting from the effective low-energy QCD partition function

$$Z_{\text{eff}}[\pi^a] = \int D\pi^a \text{Det} \left[ i\not{\partial} + iM_0 \overleftarrow{F}(i\not{\partial}) U^{\gamma_5} [\pi^a(x)] \overrightarrow{F}(i\not{\partial}) \right]$$



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$I_{sea}$ [fm]	$I_{val}$ [fm]	$I$ [fm]	$M_{N-\Delta}$ [MeV]
0.3334	1.0519	1.3853	213.67

$$(M_{N-\Delta})_{\text{Exp}} \simeq 300 \text{ MeV}$$

$I_{val}$ [fm]	$I_{sea}$ [fm]	$I_T$ [fm]	$M_{\mathbf{6}-\bar{\mathbf{3}}}^Q$ [MeV]
0.7927	0.1970	0.9897	199.38

$$(M_{\mathbf{6}-\bar{\mathbf{3}}})_{\text{Exp}}^c \simeq 167 \text{ MeV}$$

$$(M_{\mathbf{6}-\bar{\mathbf{3}}})_{\text{Exp}}^b \simeq 194 \text{ MeV}$$

# Summary

- Flavor decomposition of GFFs requires the flavor nonsinglet EMT operators that cannot be constructed without any ambiguity so far.
- Both the twist-2 and twist-4 EMT operators should be considered.
- Twist-4 operator also contribute to the GFFs, in particular  $\bar{c}$  one.
- Gluons come into essential play in describing the GFFs even with the effective theory.
- The flavor decomposition of the nucleon mass and pressure requires information on  $\bar{c}$  form factors.
- $\bar{c}$  form factors may interplay between the quarks and gluons.
- As far as the total gravitational form factors are concerned, the results from the effective theory are still OK.

**Though this be madness,  
yet there is method in it.**

**Hamlet Act 2, Scene 2**

**by Shakespeare**

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