

Quark-diquark description of the nucleon and Its resonances

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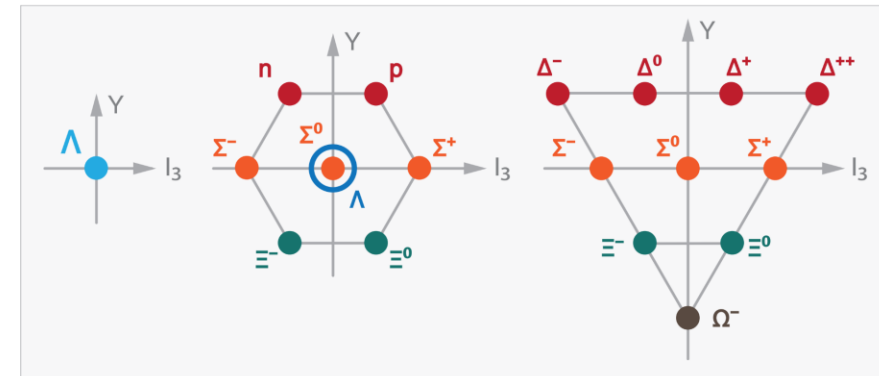
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Baryon Resonance

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N(1440)	N(1650)	N'(1720)	N(1700)	N(1860)	N(2060)									
N(1710)	N(1895)	N(1900)	N(1875)	N(2000)	N(2570)									
N(1880)		N(2040)	N(2120)											
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Δ(1750)	Δ(1620)	Δ(1232)	Δ(1700)	Δ(1905)	Δ(1930)	Δ(1950)	Δ(2200)	Δ(2300)	Δ(2400)	Δ(2420)			Δ(2750)	Δ(2950)
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	Δ(2150)	Δ(1920)												
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Λ(1600)	Λ(1405)	Λ(2070)	Λ(1690)	Λ(2110)	Λ(2080)									
Λ(1710)	Λ(1670)		Λ(2050)											
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	Λ(2000)													
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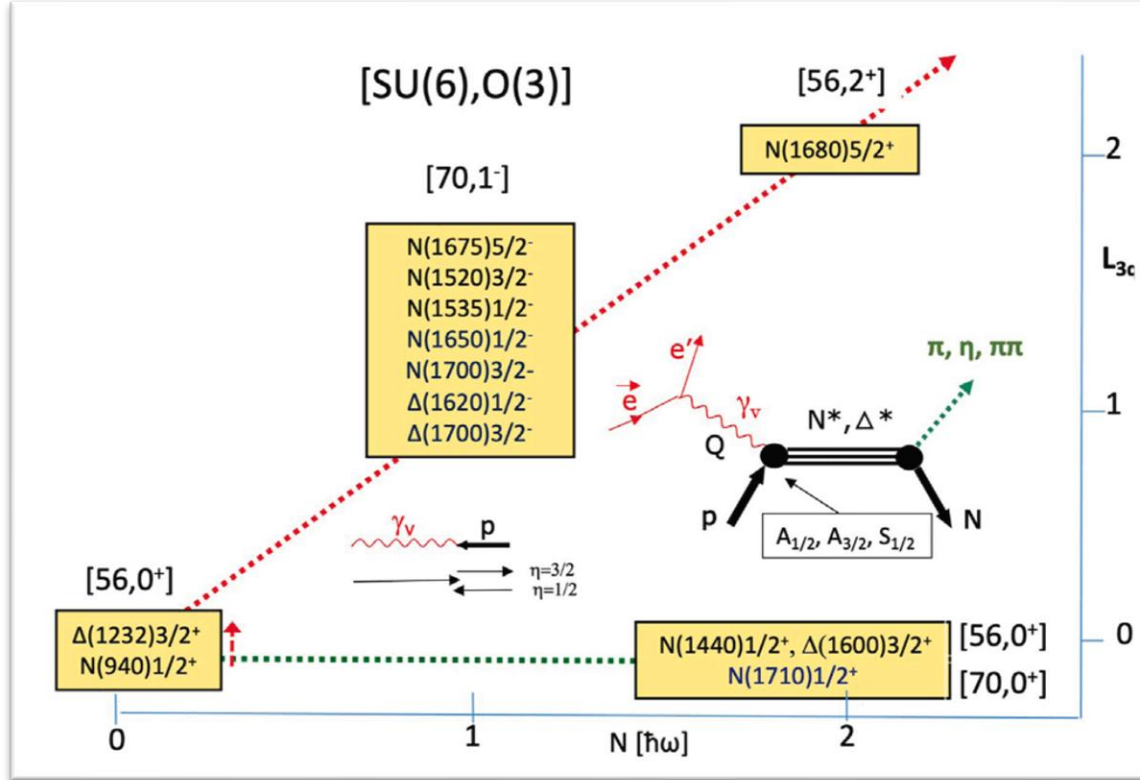
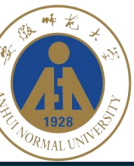
The observed resonances in experiment **differ from** those predicted by the quark model!

Electromagnetic form factors

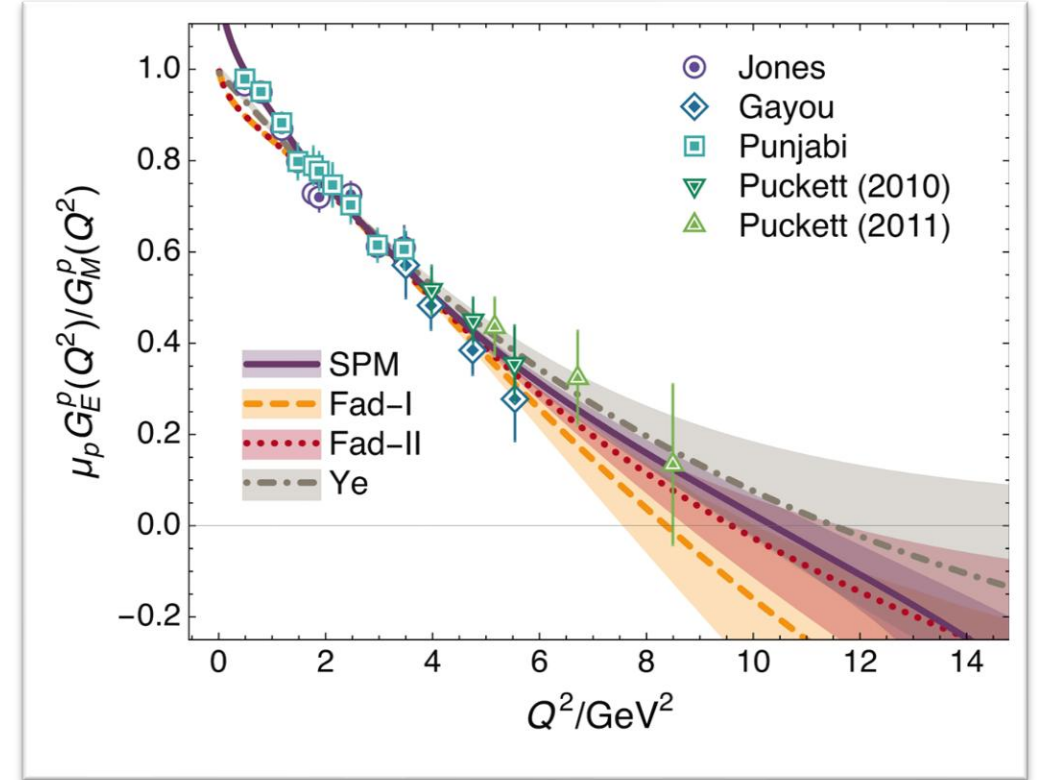
➤ Electromagnetic form factors(EMFFs)

- ✓ The EMFFs are important quantities for the understanding of **hadron's electromagnetic structure**;
charge radius, magnetic momentum, charge and magnetization densities
- ✓ The EMFFs **are sensitive to the internal structure** and are helpful for distinguishing the internal structure;
three quark, quark-diquark, multiquark, hadronic molecules
- ✓ The evolution behavior of the EMFFs with Q^2 can reveal the scale dependence of **effective degrees of freedom**.
meson-baryon, dressed quark, current quark

Electromagnetic form factors



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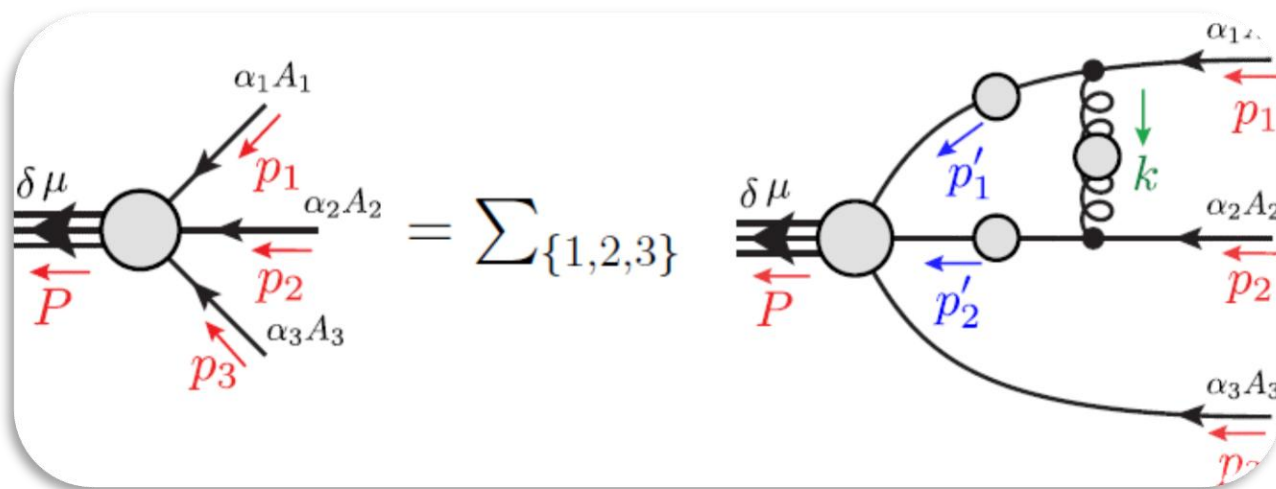


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Continuum Schwinger function methods(CSMs)



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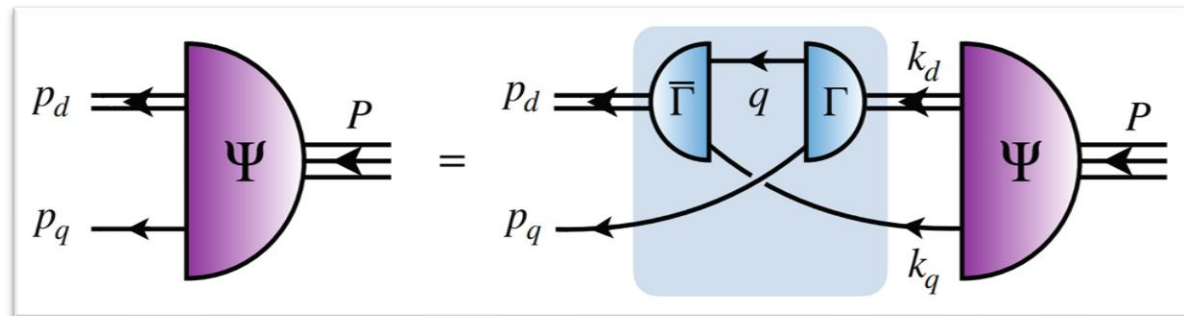
See ZhaoQian's talk

- Baryons appear as poles in the six-point Schwinger function, and their amplitude satisfy a homogeneous integral equation-Faddeev equation.
- Direct solution of Faddeev equation using rainbow-ladder truncation is now possible, but remains **challenging problem – algorithms and numerical analysis.**

Continuum Schwinger function methods(CSMs)

➤ Faddeev Equation(Quark+Diquark Framework)

- For many applications, diquark approximation to quark+quark scattering kernel is used



➤ Diquark correlation

- ($I=0, J^P=0^+$): isoscalar-scalar diquark
- ($I=1, J^P=1^+$): isovector-axialvector diquark
- ($I=0, J^P=0^-$): isoscalar-pseudoscalar diquark
- ($I=0, J^P=1^-$): isoscalar-vector diquark
- ($I=1, J^P=1^-$): isovector-vector diquark

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EMFFs of Nucleon

- The nucleon electromagnetic interaction current:

$$J_\mu(P_f, P_i) = ie \Lambda_+(P_f) \Lambda_\mu(Q, P) \Lambda_+(P_i),$$

$$= ie \Lambda_+(P_f) \left[\gamma_\mu F_1(Q^2) + \frac{1}{2m_N} \sigma_{\mu\nu} Q_\nu F_2(Q^2) \right] \Lambda_+(P_i),$$

where $Q = P_f - P_i$ is the transferred photon momentum.
 $F_{1,2}$ are the Dirac and Pauli form factors.

- The nucleon charge and magnetization distributions ($\tau = Q^2/[4m_N^2]$):

$$G_E(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) - \tau F_2(Q^2),$$

$$G_M(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) + F_2(Q^2).$$

The $SU(2)_F$ isospin limit is used: $m_u = m_d$.

$$J_\mu(P_f, P_i) = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^6 \bar{\Psi}(p, -P_f) \Lambda_\mu^i(p, P_f; k, P_i) \Psi(k; P_i)$$

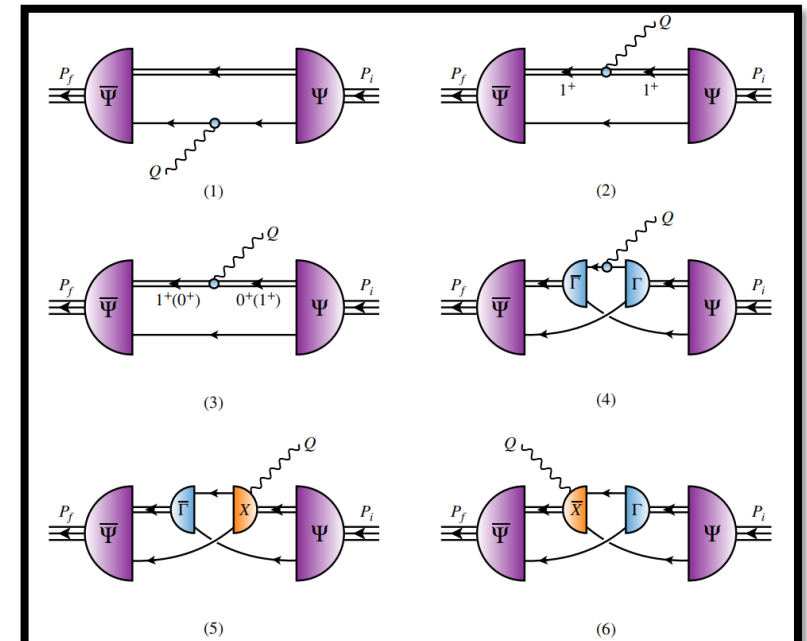


Fig. 2 The collection of electromagnetic interaction diagrams that ensures a conserved current for on-shell nucleons described by the Faddeev amplitude, Ψ , calculated as described in Sect. 2. Legend. *single line*, dressed-quark propagator; *undulating line*, electromagnetic probe; Γ , diquark correlation amplitude; *double line*, diquark propagator; and χ , seagull terms.

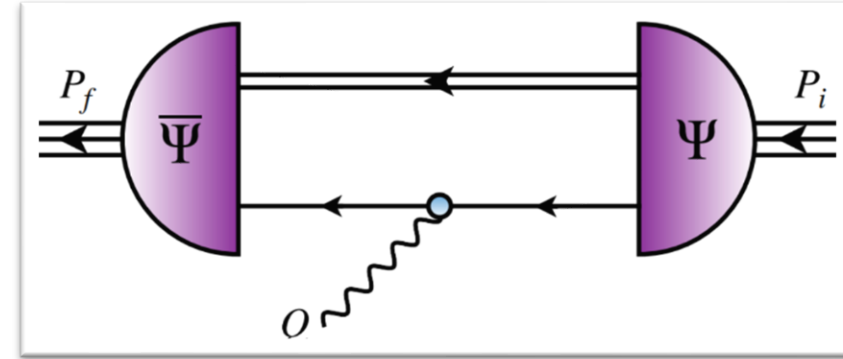
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➤ The unamputated photon-quark vertex satisfy a Ward-Takahashi identity:

$$i(\ell_1 - \ell_2)_\mu \chi_\mu(\ell_1, \ell_2) = S(\ell_2) - S(\ell_1)$$

the following Ansatz for the vertex, expressed in terms of quantities already specified in dress quark propagator:

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_\mu(\ell_1, \ell_2) = & \gamma_\mu \Sigma_{\sigma_V} + 2\ell_\mu [\gamma \cdot \ell \Delta_{\sigma_V} + i \Delta_{\sigma_S}] \\ & + \frac{1}{2} [s_1 - \bar{s}_1] [\gamma \cdot \check{\ell} \gamma_\mu \gamma \cdot \ell - \gamma \cdot \ell \gamma_\mu \gamma \cdot \check{\ell}] \Delta_{\sigma_V} \\ & - [s_2 - \bar{s}_2] \sigma_{\mu\nu} \check{\ell}_\nu \Delta_{\sigma_S} \\ & + \frac{i}{2} [1 + s_3] \gamma \cdot \check{\ell} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \check{\ell}_\nu \Delta_{\sigma_V}, \end{aligned}$$



M. Ding, K. Raya, A. Bashir, D. Binosi, L. Chang, M. Chen, C.D. Roberts, Phys. Rev. D 99, 014014 (2019)

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_F &= \frac{1}{2} [F(\ell_1^2) + F(\ell_2^2)], \\ \Delta_F &= [F(\ell_1^2) - F(\ell_2^2)] / [\ell_1^2 - \ell_2^2], \end{aligned}$$

$$\ell = [\ell_1 + \ell_2]/2, \check{\ell} = \ell_1 - \ell_2, \text{ and, } \bar{s}_{1,2} = 1 - s_{1,2}$$

$$s_i = a_i + b_i \exp[-\frac{1}{4} \mathcal{E}(\check{\ell}) / M_q^E],$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\check{\ell}) / M_q^E = (1 + \check{\ell}^2 / [2M_q^E]^2)^{1/2} - 1.$$

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- The photon-diquark vertex satisfy a Ward identity:

$$Q_\mu \chi_\mu^{0+}(\ell_1, \ell_2) = \left[\Delta^{0+}(\ell_2^2) - \Delta^{0+}(\ell_1^2) \right] F_{sc}(Q^2) \quad F_{sc}(Q^2) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{6} r_{sc}^2 Q^2}$$

- The photon-scalar diquark vertex:

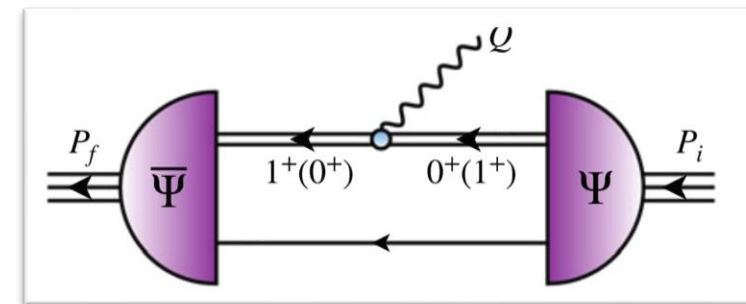
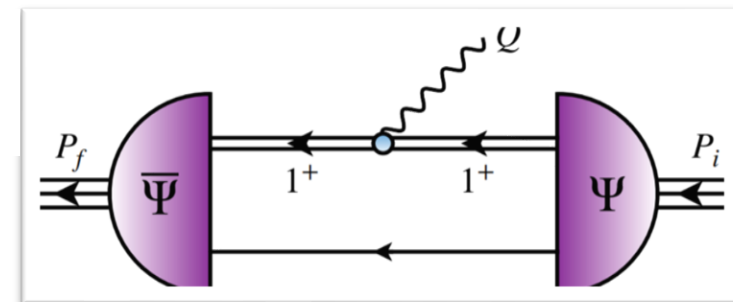
$$\chi_\mu^{0+}(\ell_1, \ell_2) = -2k_\mu \Delta_{\Delta^{0+}}(\ell_1^2, \ell_2^2) F_{sc}(Q^2)$$

- The photon- axialvector diquark vertex:

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{\mu\alpha\beta}^{1+}(\ell_1, \ell_2) = & - \left[2\delta_{\alpha\beta} \ell_\mu \Delta_{\Delta^1}(\ell_1^2, \ell_2^2) + \frac{1}{m_{1+}^2} (\delta_{\mu\alpha} \ell_{1\beta} \Delta^1(\ell_1^2) + \delta_{\mu\beta} \ell_{2\alpha} \Delta^1(\ell_2^2)) \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{2}{m_{1+}^2} \ell_{2\alpha} \ell_{1\beta} \ell_\mu \Delta_{\Delta^1}(\ell_1^2, \ell_2^2) \right] F_{av}(Q^2) + \kappa (Q_\beta \delta_{\mu\alpha} - Q_\alpha \delta_{\mu\beta}) \Delta_{\Delta^1}(\ell_1^2, \ell_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

- The photon-scalar-axialvector diquark transition vertex:

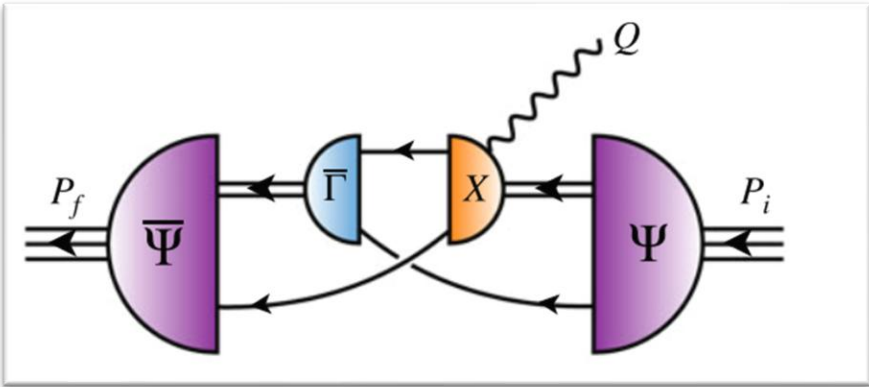
$$\Gamma_{SA}^{\gamma\alpha}(\ell_1, \ell_2) = -\Gamma_{AS}^{\gamma\alpha}(\ell_1, \ell_2) = \frac{i}{M_N} \kappa_{sa} F_{sa}(Q^2) \varepsilon_{\gamma\alpha\rho\lambda} \ell_{1\rho} \ell_{2\lambda}$$



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➤The coupling of photon to diquark amplitude:

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{\mu}^{JP}(k, Q) &= e_{\text{by}} \frac{4k_{\mu} - Q_{\mu}}{4k \cdot Q - Q^2} \left[\Gamma^{JP}(k - Q/2) - \Gamma^{JP}(k) \right] \\
 &+ e_{\text{ex}} \frac{4k_{\mu} + Q_{\mu}}{4k \cdot Q + Q^2} \left[\Gamma^{JP}(k + Q/2) - \Gamma^{JP}(k) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$



➤The parameters are chosen by reproducing selected three-body form factor results: $G_E^p(x)$ on $x \in (0, 4.5)$ and $\mu_p G_E^p(x) / G_M^p(x)$ on $x \in (2, 4.5)$ ($x = Q^2 / m_N^2$)

a_1	a_2	a_3	b_1	b_2	b_3
0.17	1.47	-0.93	1.03	-0.17	1.61
r_{sc}/fm	r_{av}/fm				
0.31	1.05				

Z.-Q. Yao, D. Binosi, Z.-F. Cui, C. D. Roberts, arXiv:2403.08088

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Table 2 Calculated results for $Q^2 \simeq 0$ (static) properties of nucleon electromagnetic form factors. Also listed, for comparison, results obtained using the *ab initio* three-body approach [25] and experiment [74, PDG].

		r_E^2/fm^2	$r_E^2 M^2$	r_M^2/fm^2	$r_M^2 M^2$	μ
herein	p	0.67^2	4.02^2	0.67^2	4.02^2	2.80
	n	-0.29^2	-1.73^2	0.72^2	4.30^2	-1.86
[25]	p	0.89^2	4.23^2	0.82^2	3.91^2	2.23
	n	-0.25^2	-1.19^2	0.81^2	3.87^2	-1.33
[74, PDG]	p	0.84^2	4.00^2	0.85^2	4.05^2	2.79
	n	-0.34^2	-1.62^2	0.86^2	4.11^2	-1.91

Magnetic moments:

$$\mu_N = G_M^N(Q^2 = 0).$$

Radii:

$$\langle r_{E,M}^2 \rangle^N = -6 \frac{d \ln G_{E,M}^N(Q^2)}{dQ^2} \Big|_{Q^2=0}$$

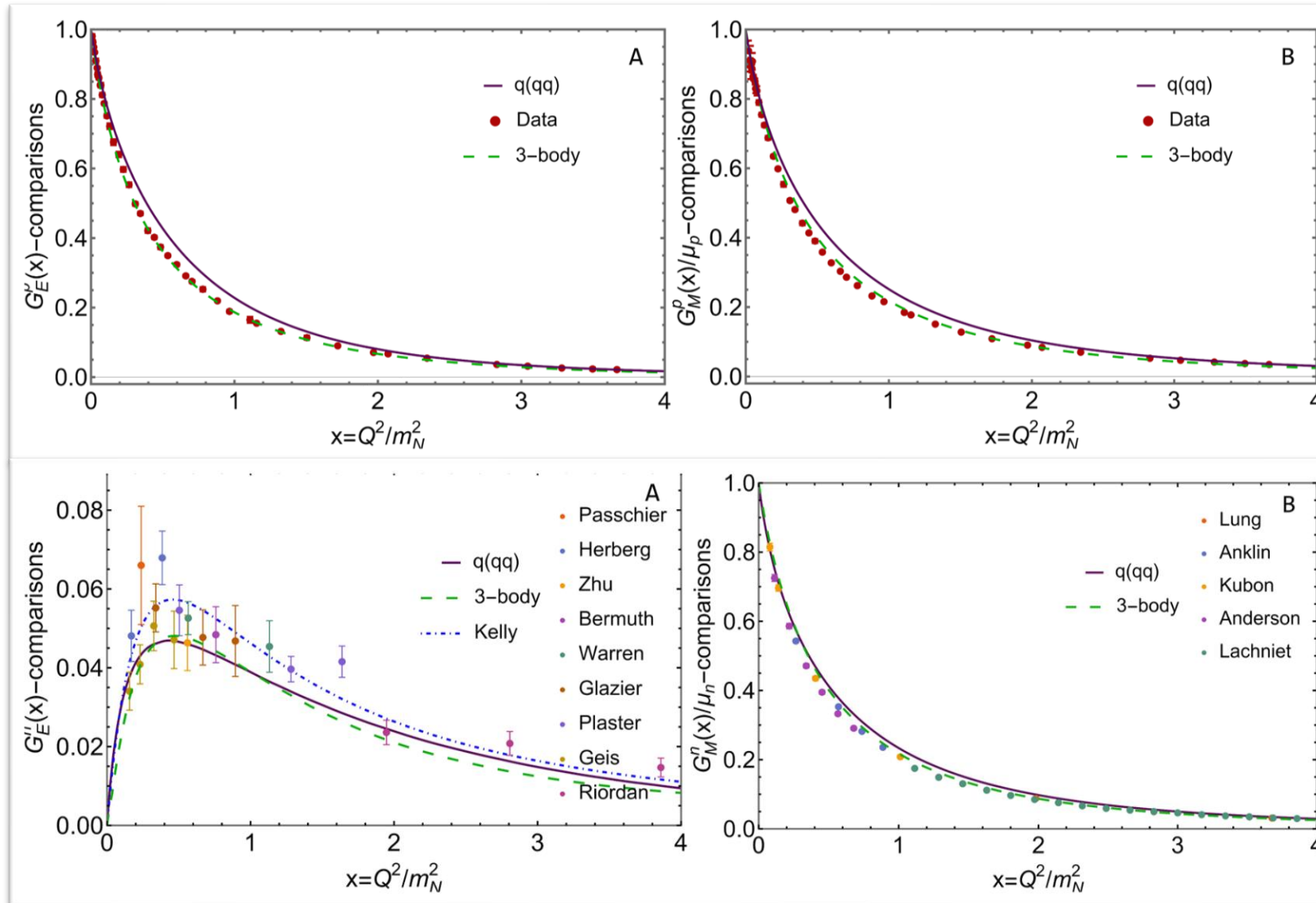
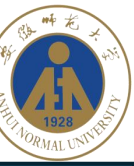
$$\langle r_E^2 \rangle^n = -6 G_E^{n'}(Q^2)|_{Q^2=0}$$

$$r_E^p \approx r_M^p$$

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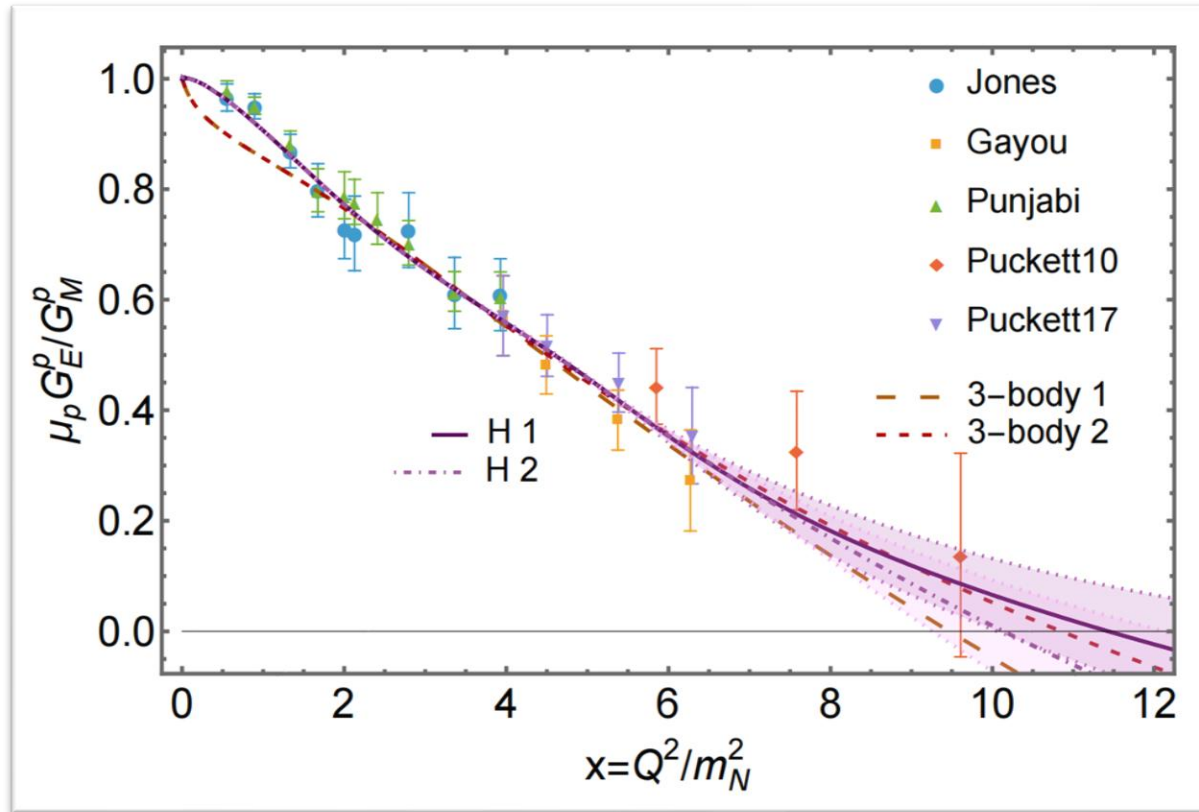
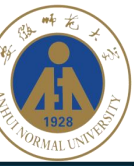


✓ The agreement is good for $x > 2$.

✓ For $x < 2$, the differences may stem from the contribution of the meson cloud.

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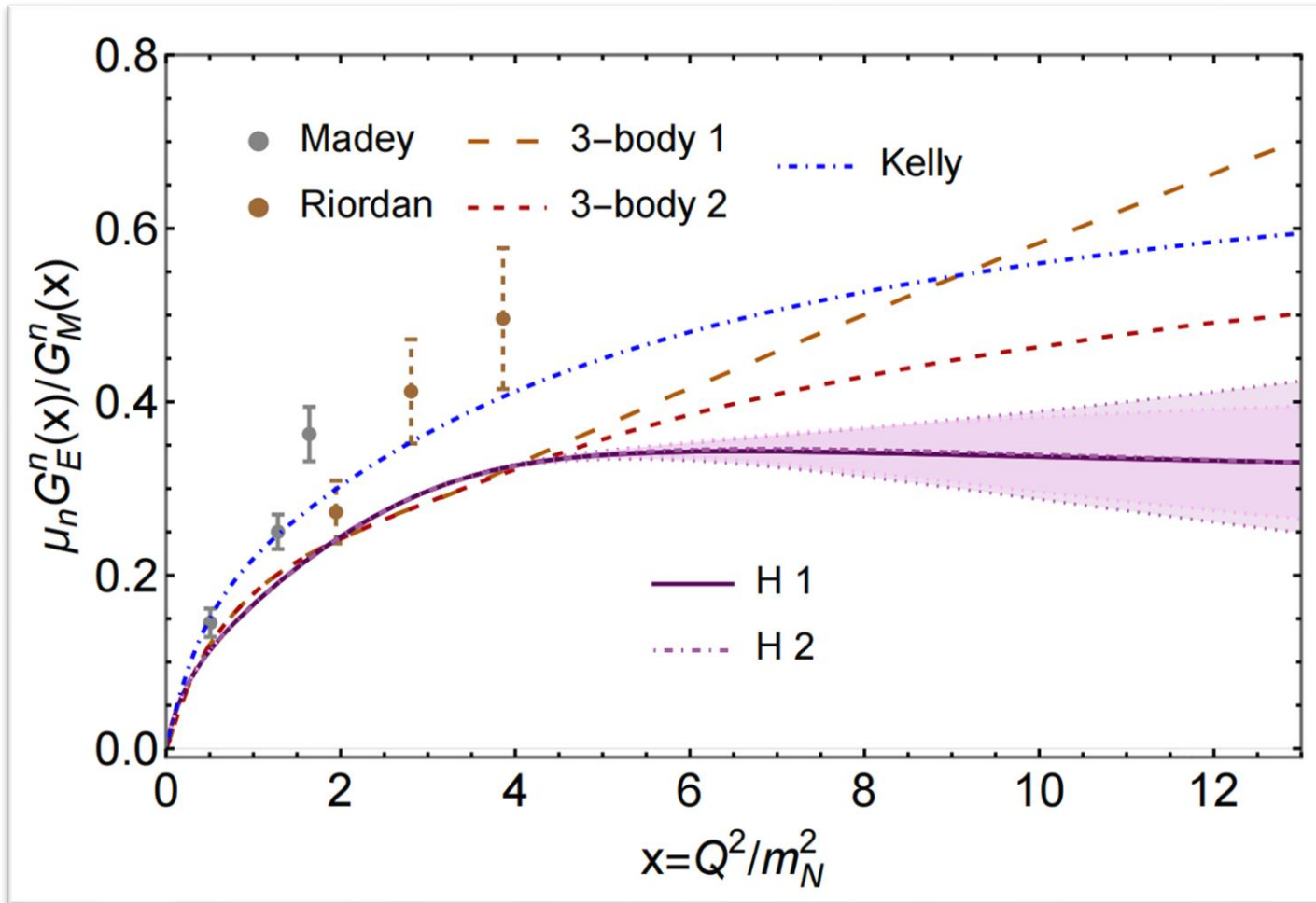
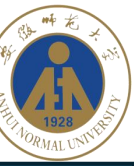
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✓ A zero in G_E^p :

	$q(qq)$ herein	3 – body
SPM 1	$11.44^{+3.35}_{-1.37}$	$9.47^{+1.90}_{-0.92}$
SPM 2	$10.14^{+1.99}_{-0.88}$	$10.85^{+2.37}_{-0.96}$

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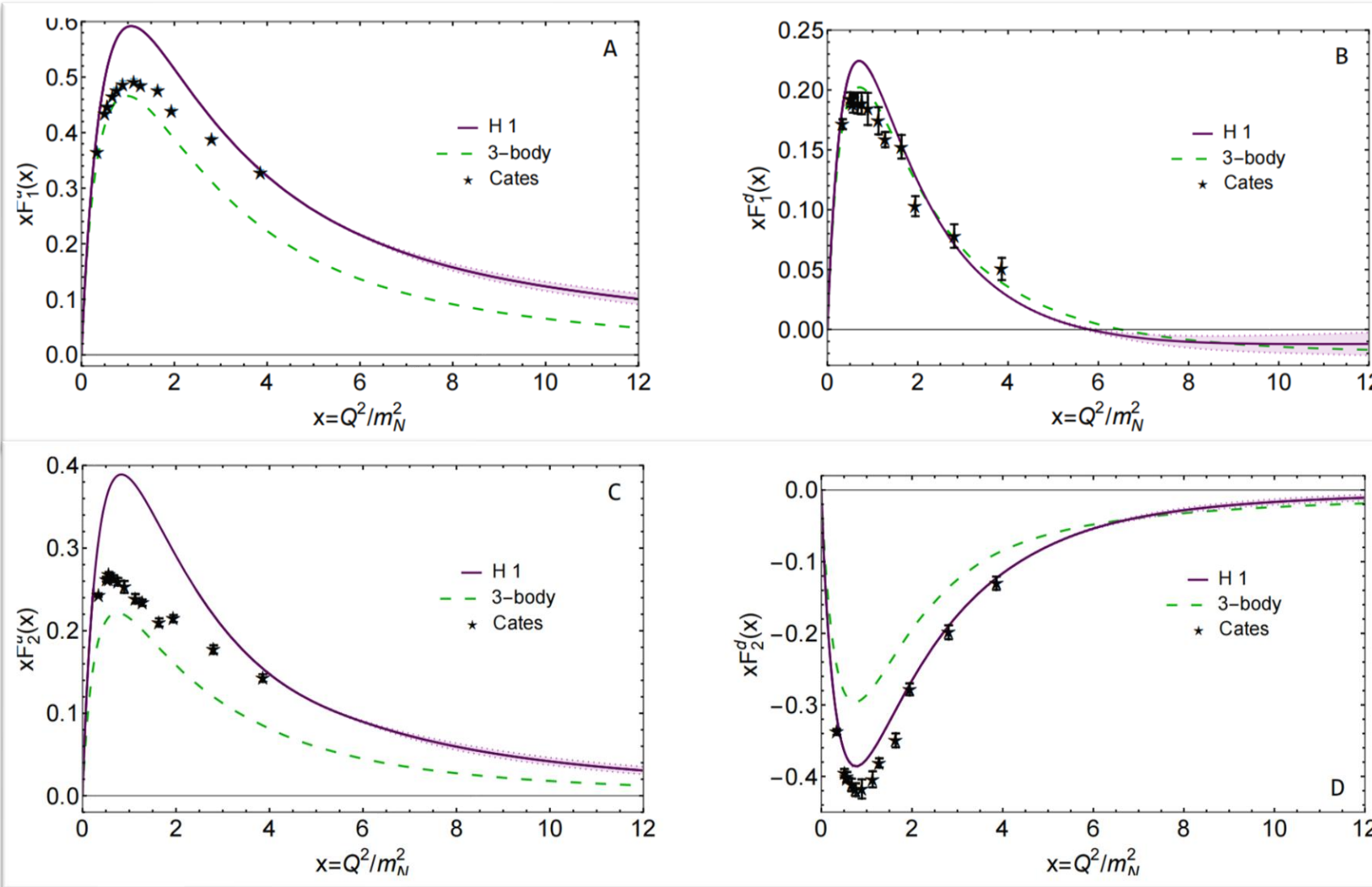
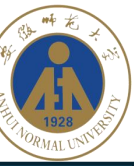
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- ✓ The results are consistent with the trend of the experimental data.
- ✓ Regarding comparison with the 3-body analyses, deviations become evident on $x \gtrsim 5$.
- ✓ Finding no zero crossing in G_E^n on $x \lesssim 15$.

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$$F_i^u = 2F_i^p + F_i^n,$$

$$F_i^d = F_i^p + 2F_i^n,$$

- ✓ The analysis predicts that F_1^d exhibits a zero:

$$x = 5.80^{+0.20}_{-0.14}$$

close to 3-body's result:

$$x \approx 6.5$$

- ✓ The analysis predicts that F_2^d doesn't exhibit a zero.

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EMTFFs of $\Delta(1700)3/2^-$

- The $\gamma^* N \rightarrow \Delta(1700)$ transition current:

$$J_{\mu\lambda}(P, Q) = \Lambda_+(P_f) R_{\lambda\alpha}(P_f) i\Gamma_{\alpha\mu}(K, Q) \Lambda_+(P_i),$$

$$\Gamma_{\alpha\mu}(K, Q) = \kappa_- \left[-\frac{\lambda_m}{\lambda_-} G_M^* \gamma_5 \varepsilon_{\alpha\mu\gamma\delta} \check{K}_\gamma \check{Q}_\delta - \frac{1}{2} (G_M^* - G_E^*) \mathcal{T}_{\alpha\gamma}^Q \mathcal{T}_{\gamma\mu}^K - \frac{i\varsigma}{\lambda_m} G_C^* \check{Q}_\alpha \check{K}_\mu \right]$$

with $\check{K}_\mu := \check{P}_{T,\mu}$, $P_{T,\mu} = \mathcal{T}_{\mu\nu}^Q P_\nu = P_\mu - (P \cdot \check{Q}) \check{Q}_\mu$, $\check{K}^2 = 1 = \check{Q}^2$, and $\kappa_- = \sqrt{(3/2)}(m_\Delta/m_N - 1)$, $\varsigma = Q^2/[2\Sigma_{\Delta N}]$, $\lambda_\pm = \varsigma + t_\pm/[2\Sigma_{\Delta N}]$, $t_\pm = (m_\Delta \pm m_N)^2$, $\lambda_m = \sqrt{\lambda_+ \lambda_-}$, $\Sigma_{\Delta N} = m_\Delta^2 + m_N^2$, $\Delta_{\Delta N} = m_\Delta^2 - m_N^2$.

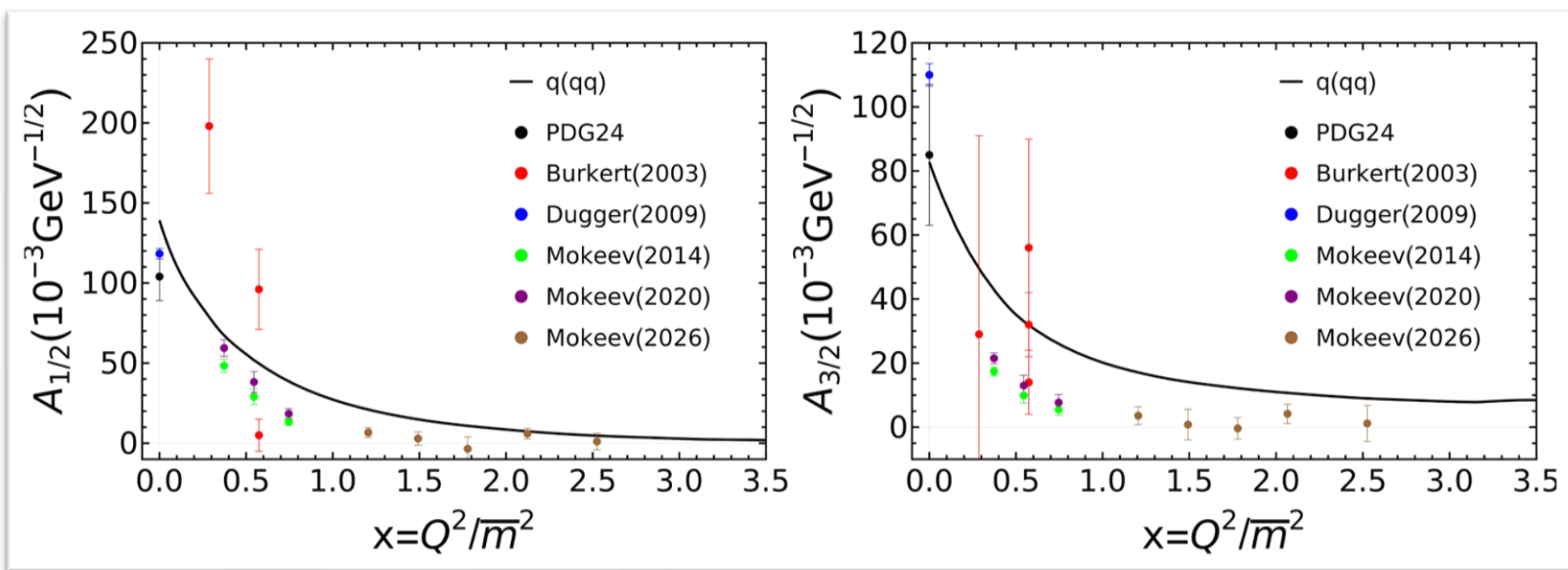
- The helicity amplitudes can be expressed in terms of the multipole form factors:

$$A_{1/2}(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{4F_{1-}} [G_E^*(Q^2) - 3G_M^*(Q^2)], \quad S_{1/2}(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}F_{1-}} \frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{2m_\Delta} G_C^*(Q^2),$$

$$A_{3/2}(Q^2) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4F_{1-}} [G_E^*(Q^2) + G_M^*(Q^2)],$$

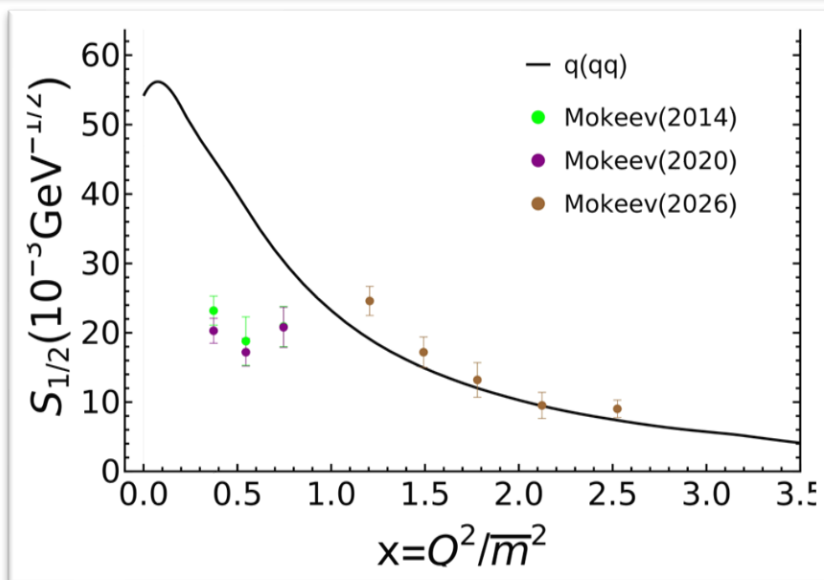
with α the quantum electrodynamics fine structure constant, $K = (m_\Delta^2 - m_N^2)/(2m_\Delta)$, and the magnitude of the photon three-momentum being $|\mathbf{q}| = \frac{\sqrt{(Q^2 + (m_\Delta + m_N)^2)(Q^2 + (m_\Delta - m_N)^2)}}{2m_\Delta}$

EMTFFs of $\Delta(1700)3/2^-$



✓ For $x \gtrsim 2$, the predictions agree well with data.

✓ The mismatch between our prediction and the data on $x < 2$ suggests a significant meson cloud contribution.



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Summary and Outlook

- Developing a refined symmetry preserving current for electron + nucleon elastic scattering, our results agree with available data;
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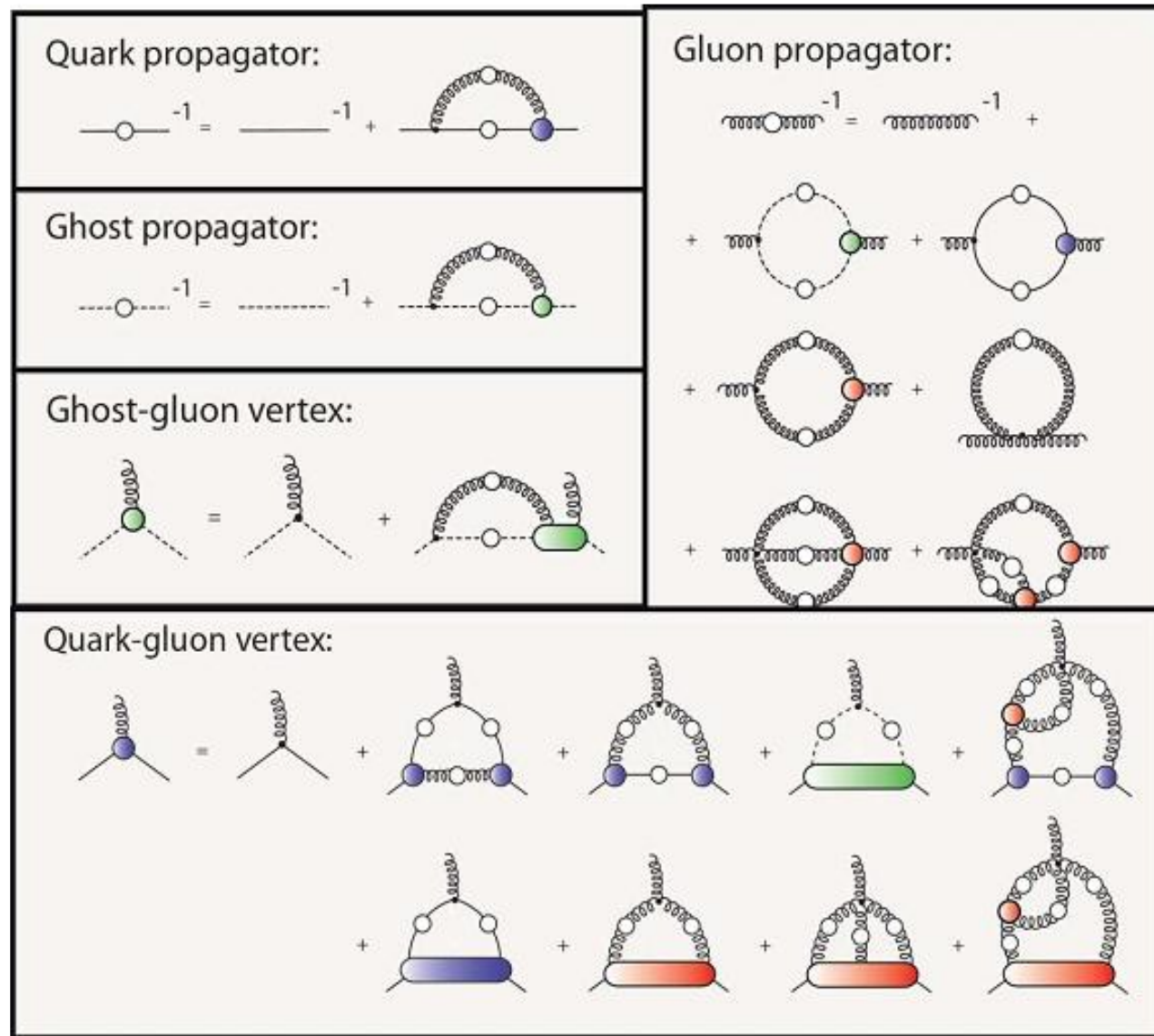
Dyson-Schwinger Equations(DSEs)

- Continuum Schwinger function methods
- ✓ nonperturbative
- ✓ symmetry-preserving
- Owing to the infinite coupling feature, it is necessary to truncate the DSEs at a certain level for practical calculations.

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Continuum Schwinger function methods(CSMs)

- 2n-point Green function G^n obeys Dyson's equation:

$$G^n = G_0^n + G_0^n K G^n$$

K is the n-quark scattering kernel, G_0^n is the disconnected n-quark propagator.

- A bound state of mass M with wave function ψ shows up as a pole in the 2n-point function, i.e. in the vicinity of the pole G^n becomes(P is the total momentum):

$$G^n \sim \frac{\psi(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n) \bar{\psi}(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)}{P^2 + M^2}$$

- Comparing residues, one finds the homogeneous bound state equation:

$$\psi = G_0 K \psi$$

- For the Faddeev equation of three quark system, the kernel consists of three terms:

$$K = K_1 + K_2 + K_3$$