

Nucleon chiral-invariant mass and gravitational form factors in the parity doublet model

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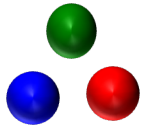
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Introduction: origin of the nucleon mass (M_N)

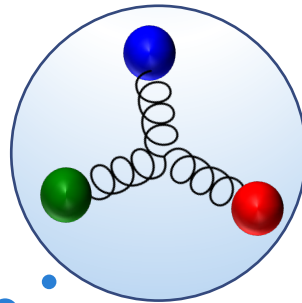
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Nucleon is composed of quarks, but...

Quark



Nucleon



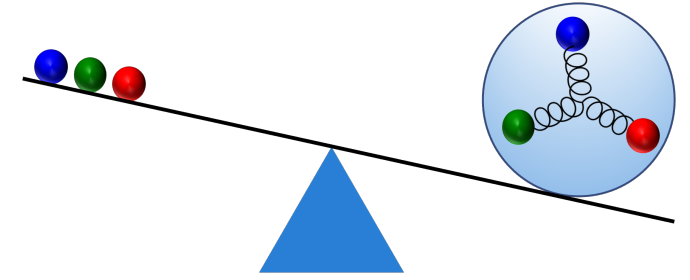
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Internal structure is not yet fully understood.

- Origin of **nucleon mass**
- **Mass** decomposition



Mass gap problem



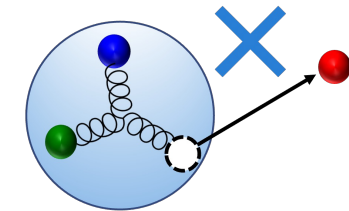
3 quarks
10MeV

Nucleon
1000 MeV

Nucleon mass is much heavier
than sum of three quarks.



Confinement problem



It is impossible to isolate a single quark:
single quark is not observable.

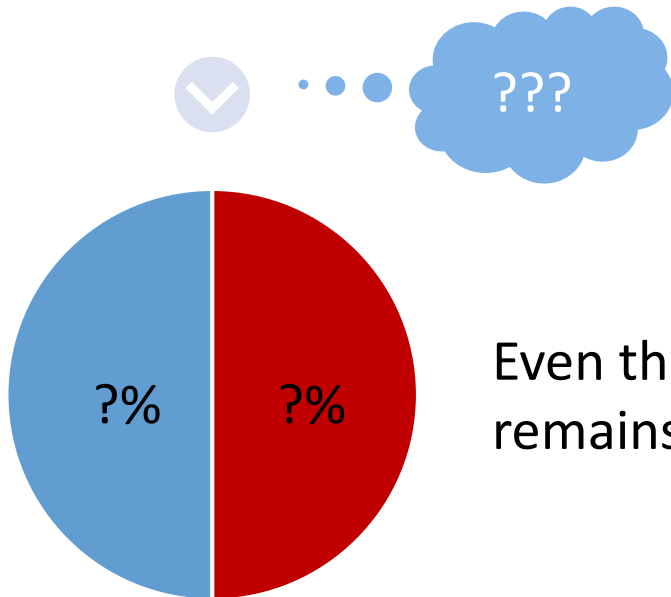
Introduction: low-energy mass decomposition

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In a low-energy description, M_N can be decomposed into...

$$M_N = m_{\text{var}} + m_{\text{inv}}$$

- Contribution from chiral SSB
- Chiral invariant component



Even the rough decomposition of M_N remains unclear...

Introduction: m_{inv} and neutron star study

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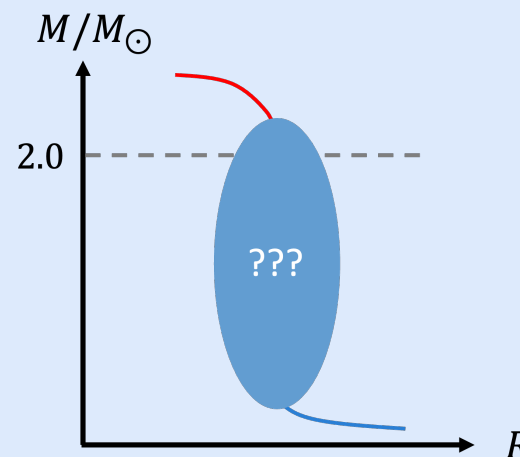
How about other observables?

In the high-density region, ...

- $m_{\text{var}} \rightarrow 0$ (chiral symmetry restoration)
- Density independence of m_{inv}



Affects Neutron star M-R relation.



Model analyses w/ m_{inv}

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based on **parity doublet model**



Gravitational form factors

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Gravitational form factors (GFFs)



Related to **nucleon mass decomposition**

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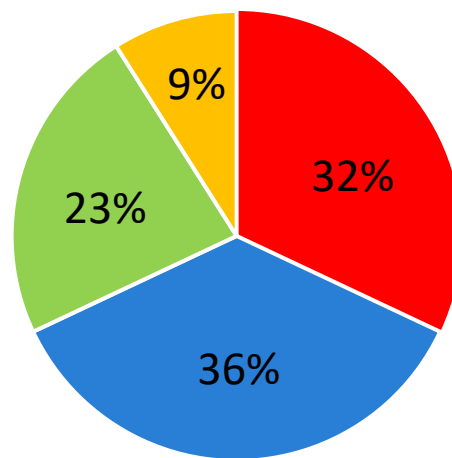
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 $\rightarrow A(0) = 1$

$$\langle p | \Theta^{00} | p \rangle = 2m_N$$

$(m_N = 938 \text{ MeV})$

Proton mass decomposition



- Quark mass
- Quark energy
- Gluon energy
- Trace anomaly

Lattice simulation:
 Yi-Bo Yang et al. PRL (2018)

Based on Ji's decomposition $\Theta^{00} = H_m + H_E + H_g + H_a/4$

- One of decomposition methods
- How much of m_N arises **from chiral SSB?**

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$J(t)$: Angular momentum
 $\rightarrow J(0) = 1/2$

$D(t)$: Pressure p
 $\rightarrow D(0) = ???$

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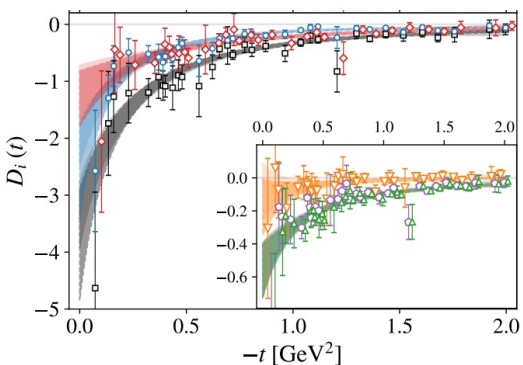
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$D(t)$ has already been studied in ...

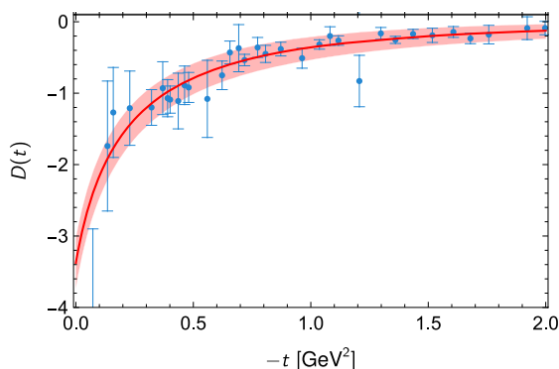
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Lattice QCD simulation



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Dispersive method



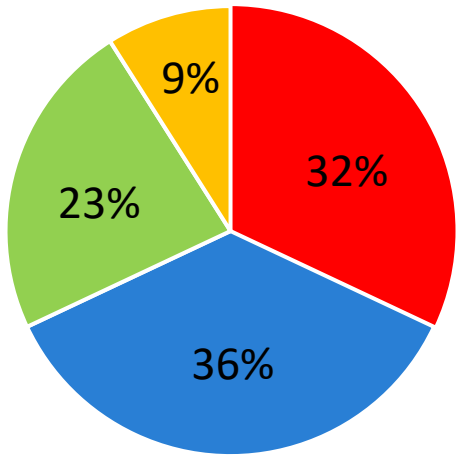
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What information can be extracted from $D(t)$?

Motivation for our study

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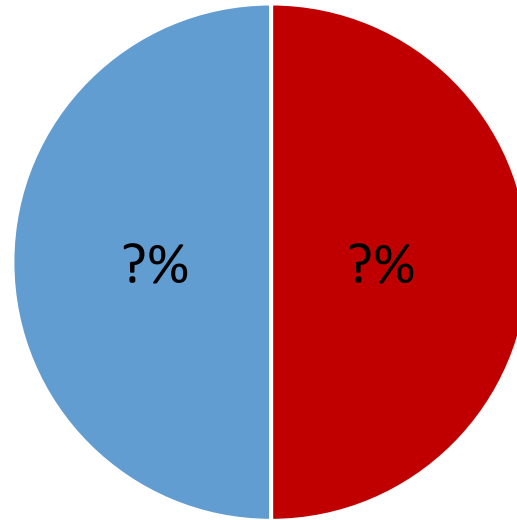
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how much chiral SSB contributes.

Alternative decomposition at low energies



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- Chiral variant component (Chiral SSB)
- Chiral invariant component



Does the ***D*-form factor** provide any insight?

Meson dominance in form factors

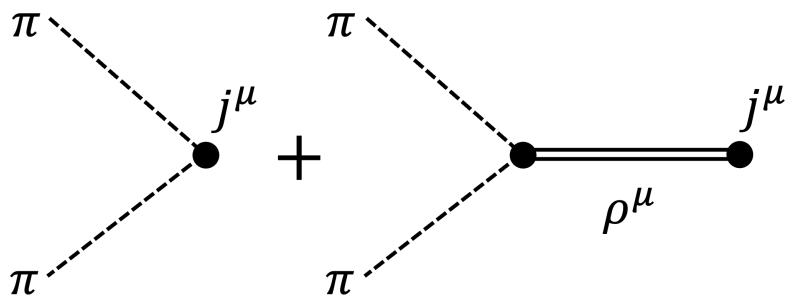
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Before considering the nucleon D-form factor, let us recall...

Pion electromagnetic form factor: $\langle \pi(p') | j_\mu(0) | \pi(p) \rangle = (p'_\mu + p_\mu) F_V^\pi(t)$

It is well described by **vector meson dominance**:

Experimental data of pion charge radius can be reproduced by **vector meson dominance**.

$$\langle \pi(p') | j_\mu(0) | \pi(p) \rangle \simeq$$


The diagram shows two terms added together. The first term is a vertex where two dashed lines labeled π meet at a point, with a label j^μ next to the vertex. The second term is a vertex where two dashed lines labeled π meet at a point, connected by a double line labeled ρ^μ to another vertex, which is then connected to a label j^μ .

(This picture can be naturally formulated within the framework of hidden local symmetry.)



Expect **meson dominance** to be realized in the GFFs as well.

Meson dominance in GFFs

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EMT ($\Theta^{\mu\nu}$) can couple to spin-0 and spin-2 mesons (isosinglet).

- Spin-0 isosinglet meson: $f_0(500)$, $f_0(980)$, ...
- Spin-2 isosinglet meson: $f_2(1270)$, ...



We assume...

Isosinglet scalar meson dominance (sigma meson dominance)

$$\langle N(p') | \Theta_{\mu\nu}(0) | N(p) \rangle \simeq$$

The diagram illustrates the sigma meson dominance model for the nucleon's electromagnetic tensor. It shows two nucleon lines (N) meeting at a vertex labeled $\Theta^{\mu\nu}$. This is followed by a plus sign and another vertex where two nucleon lines meet, connected by a dashed line labeled σ to a third vertex labeled $\Theta^{\mu\nu}$.

Meson dominance picture has also been considered in

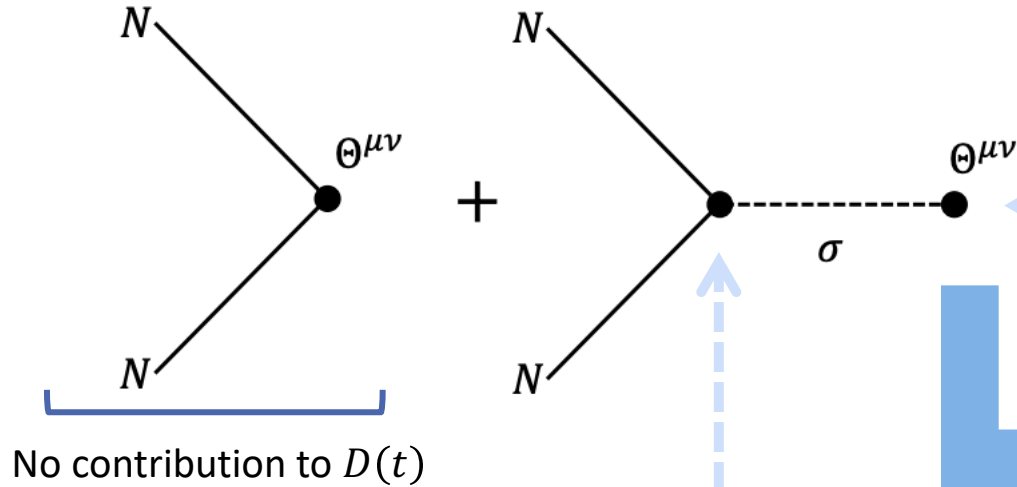
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Evaluate $D(t)$ by using model.

$D(t)$ from Linear Sigma Model (LSM)

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Coupling between σ meson and EMT that satisfies $\Theta_\mu^\mu = \partial_\mu j_D^\mu$:

$$\langle 0 | \Theta^{\mu\nu} | \sigma(p) \rangle = \frac{\sigma_0}{3} (p^\mu p^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} m_\sigma^2) e^{-ip \cdot x}$$

Yukawa coupling

$$g_{NN\sigma} = \frac{m_N}{f_\pi}$$



$$m_{\text{inv}}=0$$

LSM ($\mathcal{L}_{\text{LSM}} = \mathcal{L}_N + \mathcal{L}_M$)

Nucleon: N

Mesons: $M = \sigma + i\pi^a \tau^a$

$$\mathcal{L}_N = \bar{N}_r i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu N_r + \bar{N}_l i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu N_l - g (\bar{N}_r M^\dagger N_l + \bar{N}_l M N_r),$$

$$\mathcal{L}_M = \frac{1}{4} \text{tr} [\partial^\mu M^\dagger \partial_\mu M] - V(M)$$

$$D^{(\text{LSM})}(t) = - \frac{4m_N^2}{3} \frac{1}{m_\sigma^2 + t}$$

Is described by

- m_σ (sigma meson mass)
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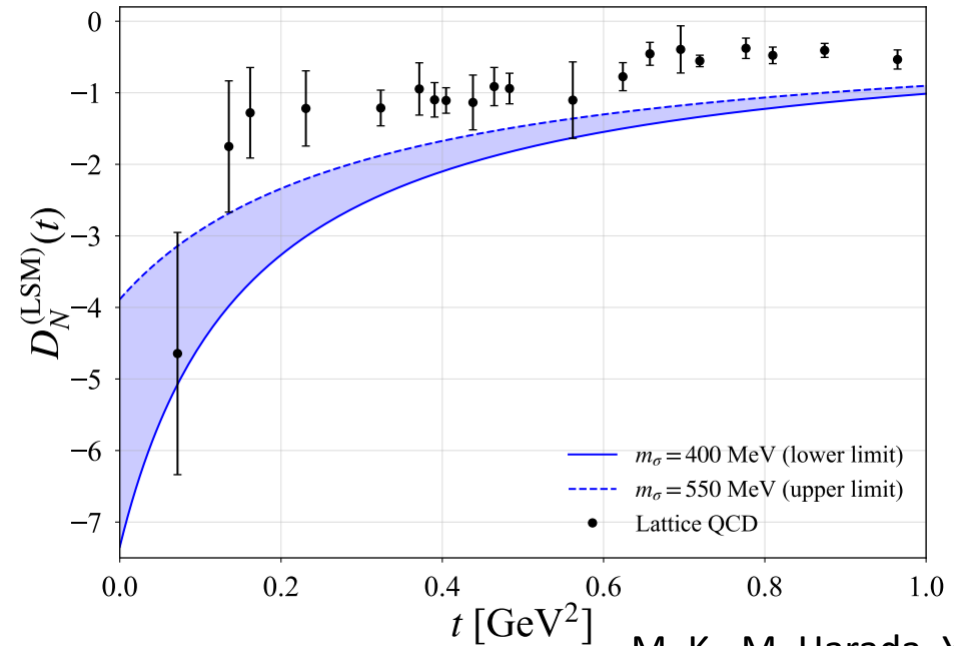
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LSM model result is deviated from lattice observation...



How important is the missing contribution from m_{inv} ?

Chiral effective model with m_{inv}

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- **Chiral invariant mass:** m_0
- **Positive-parity nucleon** (ψ_1): N(939)
- **Negative-parity nucleon** (ψ_2): $N^*(1535)$

- ✓ $N^*(1535)$ is ...
 - incorporated as an explicit degree of freedom in model (simply treated as a single-particle state)
 - identified as parity partner of N(939)
- ✓ PDM has been studied in...
 - vacuum properties (decays)
 - neutron star matter

Transformation properties of nucleons

Parity transformation:

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_1(t, \vec{x}) &\rightarrow \gamma^0 \psi_1(t, -\vec{x}), \\ \psi_2(t, \vec{x}) &\rightarrow -\gamma^0 \psi_2(t, -\vec{x})\end{aligned}$$

chiral $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ transformations:

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_{1r} &\rightarrow g_R \psi_{1r}, & \psi_{1l} &\rightarrow g_L \psi_{1l}, \\ \psi_{2r} &\rightarrow g_L \psi_{2r}, & \psi_{2l} &\rightarrow g_R \psi_{2l} \quad (\text{Mirror assignment})\end{aligned}$$

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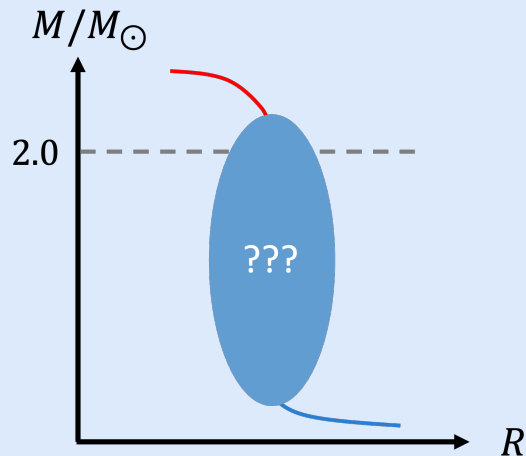
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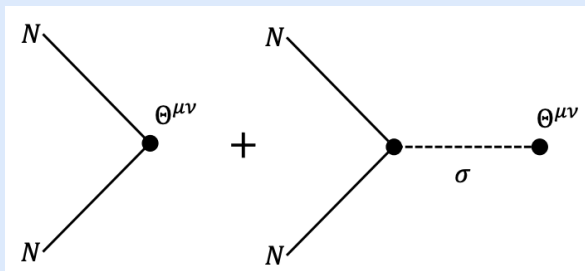
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Adopt the scalar meson dominance...



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($m_{N^*} = 1535 \text{ MeV}$)

m_{inv} appears in m_N and $g_{NN\sigma}$.



$g_{NN\sigma}$ is reduced by m_{inv} .

$D(t)$ from Parity Doublet Model (PDM)

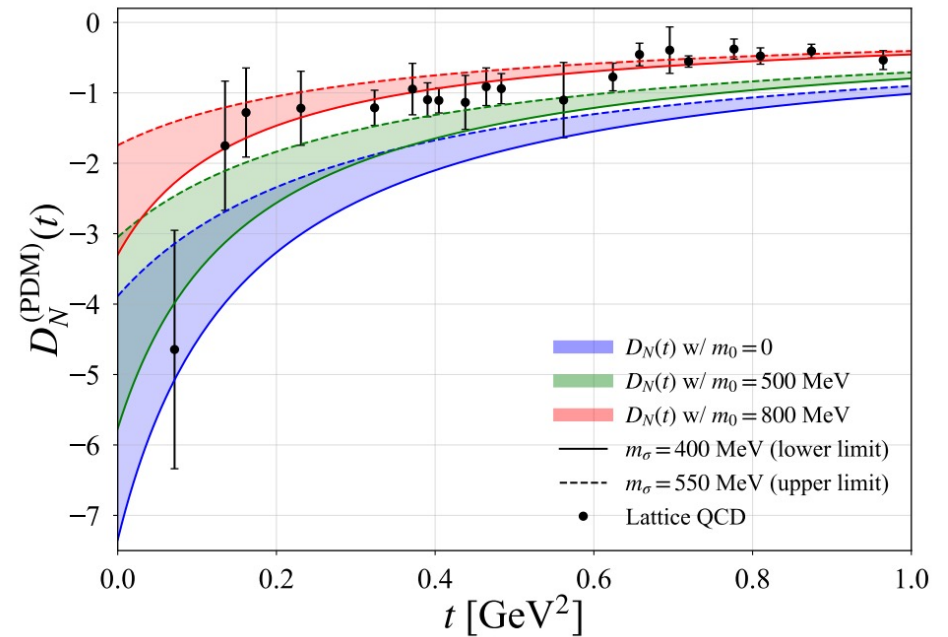
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 $m_0 = 0, 500, 800$ MeV

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Large m_{inv} leads to consistency with...

- ✓ recent lattice data.
- ✓ recent M-R studies based on PDM.

Summary and discussion

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Suggests that GFFs are the key to the origin of mass.

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We have evaluated D-form factor
under the sigma meson dominance.



Chiral invariant mass dominates m_N
(based on lattice data comparison).

Comparison w/ recent lattice data:

$$m_{\text{inv}} = 800 \text{ MeV}$$



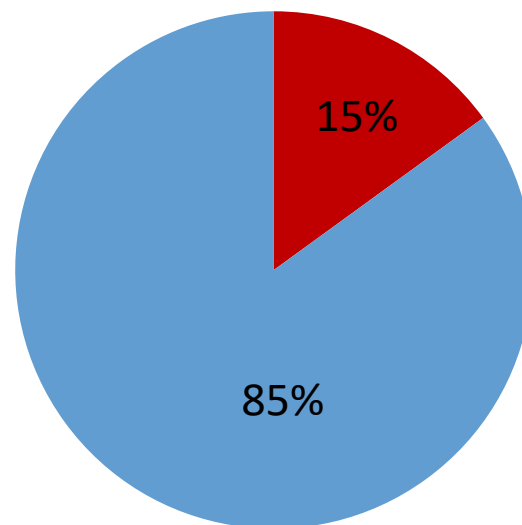
Seem to suggest...



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$m_N = 938 \text{ MeV}$ decomposition



- Chiral variant component
- Chiral invariant component ($m_0 = 800 \text{ MeV}$)

1. Consistency with other form factors (not GFFs)

For the axial form factor, the axial charge in PMD is given by

$$g_A^{(\text{PDM})} = \cos 2\theta \quad \theta \text{ is mixing angle between } \psi_1 \text{ and } \psi_2: \tan 2\theta = 2m_0 / \sqrt{(m_N + m_{N^*})^2 - 4m_0^2}$$

$$\text{PDM: } g_A^{(\text{PDM})} < g_A^{(\text{exp.})} = 1.27$$

→ **Additional interaction terms** can improve.
(derivative interactions) Yamazaki and Harada (2019)

2. What is the sigma meson?

In our study, σ is treated as chiral partner of π .

Possible interpretations/components

Glueball, dilatonic particle,
four-quark state, meson-meson resonance state...

3. Contributions beyond σ dominance

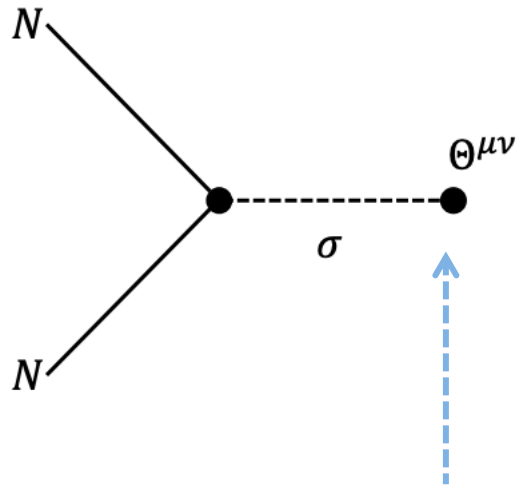
Other exchange may also contribute to $D(t)$

- Heavier iso-singlet scalar mesons
- Tensor mesons

→ Toward a more precise evaluation

Thank you

Improved EMT and EMT-sigma coupling



LSM ($\mathcal{L}_{\text{LSM}} = \mathcal{L}_N + \mathcal{L}_M$)
 Nucleon: N
 Mesons: $M = \sigma + i\pi^a \tau^a$

Sigma meson couples to EMT.

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$$T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{N}_r i (\gamma^\mu \partial^\nu + \gamma^\nu \partial^\mu) N_r + \frac{1}{2} \bar{N}_l i (\gamma^\mu \partial^\nu + \gamma^\nu \partial^\mu) N_l + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} [\partial^\mu M^\dagger \partial^\nu M] - g^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{L}$$

$$T^\mu_\mu \neq \partial_\mu j^\mu_D$$

Improve EMT to satisfy $\Theta^\mu_\mu = \partial_\mu j^\mu_D$

$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{N}_r i (\gamma^\mu \partial^\nu + \gamma^\nu \partial^\mu) N_r + \frac{1}{2} \bar{N}_l i (\gamma^\mu \partial^\nu + \gamma^\nu \partial^\mu) N_l + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} [\partial^\mu M^\dagger \partial^\nu M] - g^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{L} - \frac{1}{12} (\partial^\mu \partial^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} \partial^2) \text{tr} [M M^\dagger]$$

$$\Theta^\mu_\mu = \partial_\mu j^\mu_D$$

This is similar to dilaton framework:

$$\langle 0 | \Theta^{\mu\nu} | \phi(p) \rangle = \frac{f_\phi}{3} (p^\mu p^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} m_\phi^2) e^{-ip \cdot x}$$

By adopting the nonlinear representation of M , scalar meson field can be interpreted as behaving in a dilaton-like manner. In this sense, the structure of the LSM is closely related to dilaton framework, allowing the scalar field to couple to the EMT.

Chiral effective model with m_{inv}

$m_{\text{inv}} (m_0)$ is introduced within the framework of **Parity Doublet Model (PDM)**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_N^{(\text{PDM})} = & \bar{\psi}_{1r} i \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \psi_{1r} + \bar{\psi}_{1l} i \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \psi_{1l} + \bar{\psi}_{2r} i \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \psi_{2r} + \bar{\psi}_{2l} i \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \psi_{2l} \\ & - m_0 [\bar{\psi}_{1l} \psi_{2r} - \bar{\psi}_{1r} \psi_{2l} - \bar{\psi}_{2l} \psi_{1r} + \bar{\psi}_{2r} \psi_{1l}] \\ & - g_1 [\bar{\psi}_{1r} M^\dagger \psi_{1l} + \bar{\psi}_{1l} M \psi_{1r}] \\ & - g_2 [\bar{\psi}_{2r} M \psi_{2l} + \bar{\psi}_{2l} M^\dagger \psi_{2r}] \end{aligned}$$

C. E. Detar and T. Kunihiro, PRD (1989)
D. Jido, M. Oka, A. Hosaka, PTP (2001)

- Chiral invariant mass: m_0
- Positive-parity nucleon (ψ_1): N(939)
- Negative-parity nucleon (ψ_2): $N^*(1535)$

Chiral transformations:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{1r} &\rightarrow g_R \psi_{1r}, & \psi_{1l} &\rightarrow g_L \psi_{1l}, \\ \psi_{2r} &\rightarrow g_L \psi_{2r}, & \psi_{2l} &\rightarrow g_R \psi_{2l} \end{aligned}$$

Parity transformation:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_1(t, \vec{x}) &\rightarrow \gamma^0 \psi_1(t, -\vec{x}), \\ \psi_2(t, \vec{x}) &\rightarrow -\gamma^0 \psi_2(t, -\vec{x}) \end{aligned}$$

Mass term:

$$\begin{aligned} & (\bar{\psi}_1, \bar{\psi}_2) \begin{pmatrix} g_1 f_\pi & m_0 \gamma_5 \\ -m_0 \gamma_5 & g_2 f_\pi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ & = (\bar{N}_+, \bar{N}_-) \begin{pmatrix} m_{N+} & 0 \\ 0 & m_{N-} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} N_+ \\ N_- \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

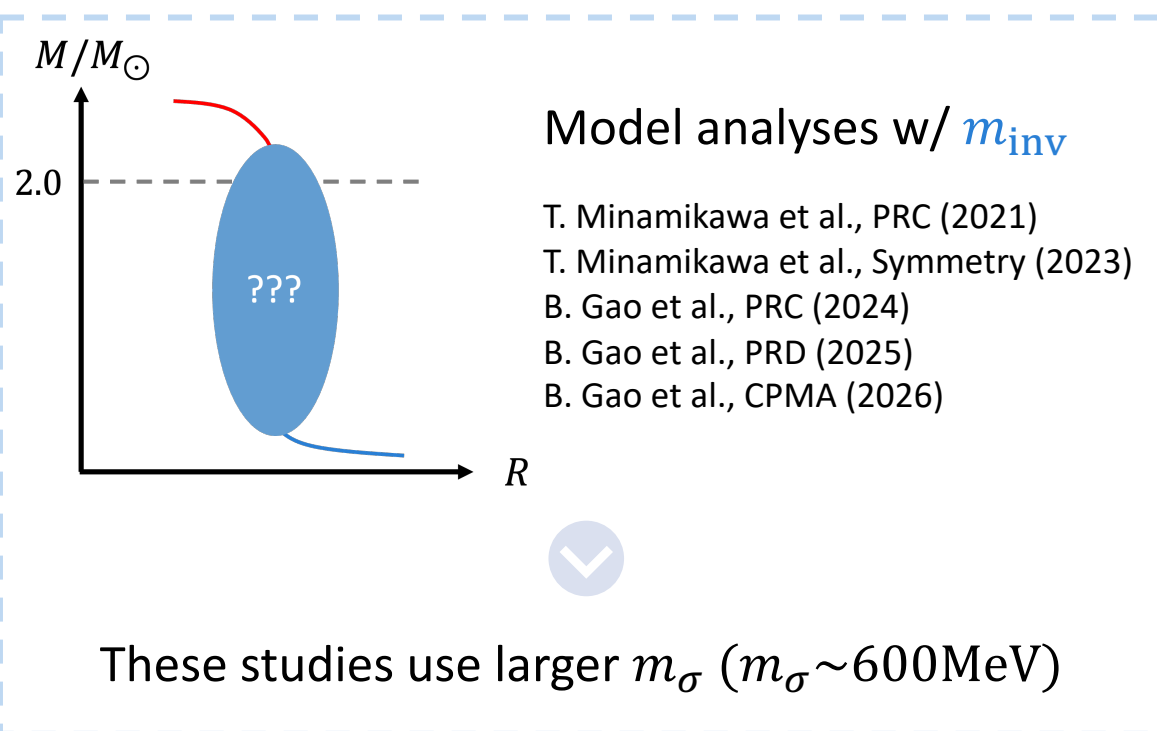
Mass eigenstate:

$$\begin{pmatrix} N_+ \\ N_- \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_N & \gamma_5 \sin \theta_N \\ -\gamma_5 \sin \theta_N & \cos \theta_N \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

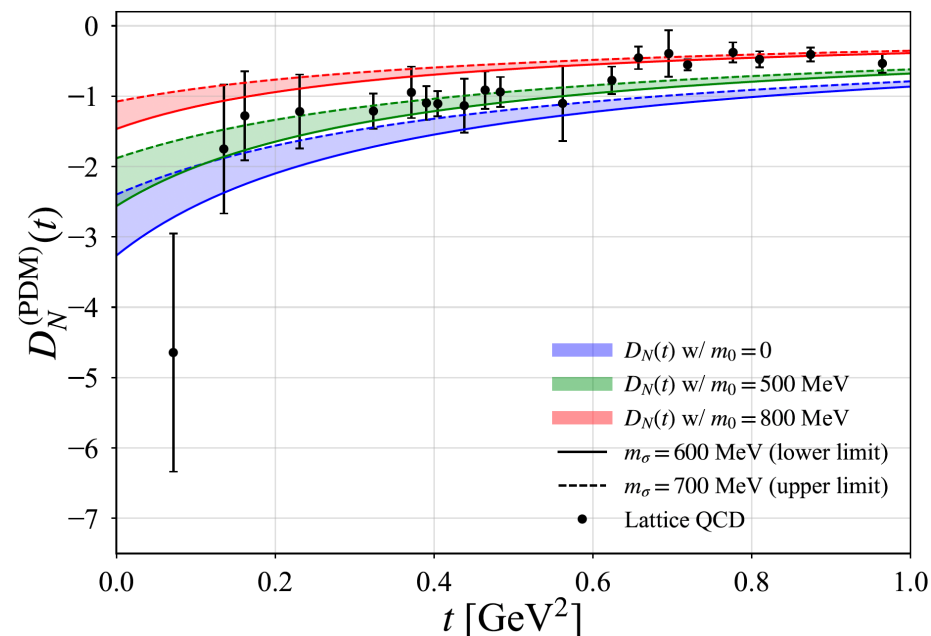
Masses:

$$\begin{aligned} m_{N+} &= \frac{1}{2} \left((g_1 - g_2) f_\pi + \sqrt{f_\pi^2 (g_1 + g_2)^2 + 4m_0^2} \right), \\ m_{N-} &= \frac{1}{2} \left((g_2 - g_1) f_\pi + \sqrt{f_\pi^2 (g_1 + g_2)^2 + 4m_0^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

If we use a larger m_σ ...



- Consider the range for m_σ :
 $m_\sigma = 600 - 700 \text{ MeV}$.
- Consider several values of m_0 :
 $m_0 = 0, 500, 800 \text{ MeV}$.



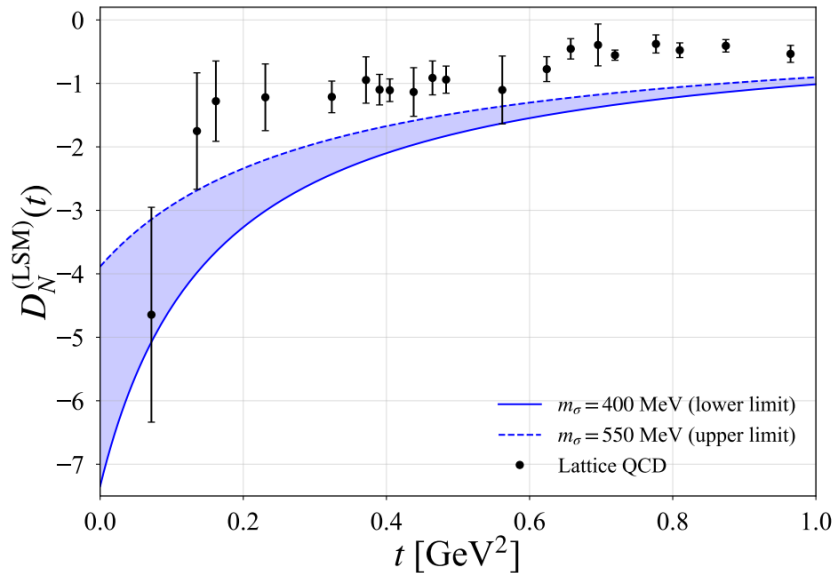
- ✓ A larger m_σ improves the agreement with the lattice data even without m_{inv} .
- ✓ $m_{\text{inv}} \sim 500 \text{ MeV}$ further improves it.

More precise lattice data may be needed.
(precise sigma meson mass is also needed.)

Numerical result and comparison

M. K., M. Harada and Y. L. Ma,
arXiv:2512.23937

Numerical results



Model result

$$D^{(\text{LSM})}(t) = -\frac{4m_N^2}{3} \frac{1}{m_\sigma^2 + t}$$

Is described by

- sigma meson mass m_σ
- nucleon mass $m_N \propto \langle 0|\sigma|0\rangle$

Comparison and numerical setup

- Compared with lattice results. (D. C. Hackett, et al., PRL(2024))
- Consider the range $m_\sigma = 400 - 550 \text{ MeV}$. (These values are listed in PDG)

Recent other theoretical estimation

Z. Q. Yao, et al., EPJA (2025)

X.-H. Cao, et al., Nature Commun. (2025)

W. Broniowski and E. Ruiz Arriola, PRD (2025)

- ✓ Model result is deviated from lattice observation...
- ✓ Evaluated $D(0)$ is also deviated from $D(0) \sim -3$...

GFF and “pressure” (?)

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle p', s' | \Theta_{\mu\nu}(x) | p, s \rangle \\ &= \bar{u}' \left[A(t) \frac{P_\mu P_\nu}{M_N} + J(t) \frac{i(P_\mu \sigma_{\nu\rho} + P_\nu \sigma_{\mu\rho}) \Delta^\rho}{2M_N} + \boxed{D(t) \frac{\Delta_\mu \Delta_\nu - g_{\mu\nu} \Delta^2}{4M_N}} \right] u e^{i(p'-p)x} \end{aligned}$$

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t: momentum transfer

Fourier transformation

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“Pressure” can be defined...

Pressure and shear force (Θ^{ij})

$D(t)$: Pressure p
 $\rightarrow D(0) = ???$

$$p(r) = \Theta_{ii}^{\text{static}}(r)/3$$

This Fourier-transformed quantity is interpreted as “pressure” inside nucleon.
 M.V. Polyakov, PLB (2003)

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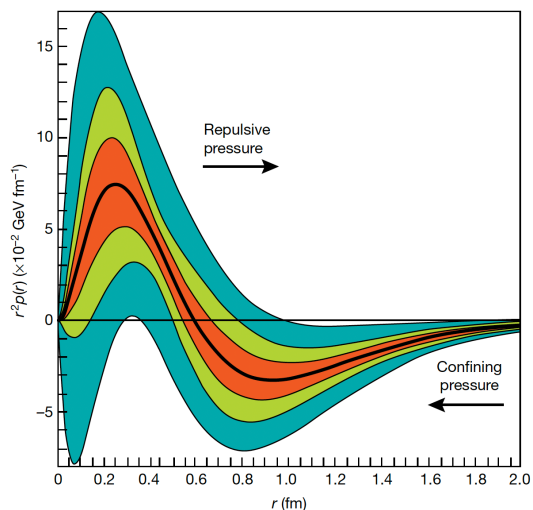
Note...

- Diagonal components are simply referred to as “pressure”.
- Different from “thermodynamic pressure”.
- Its physical interpretation remains under debate.

Pressure and its role

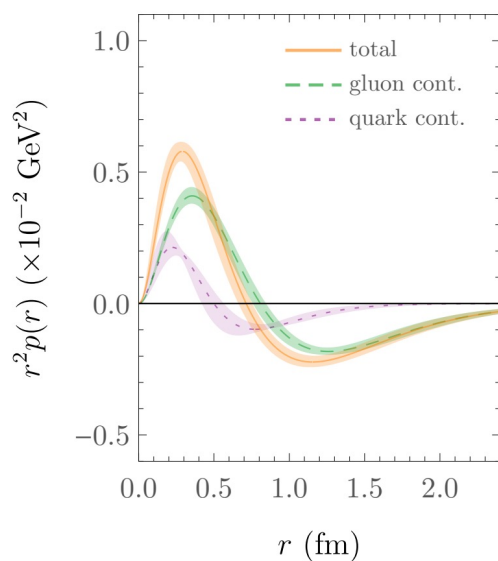
Pressure in proton

Experiment



V. D. Burkert et al.
Nature (2018)

Lattice



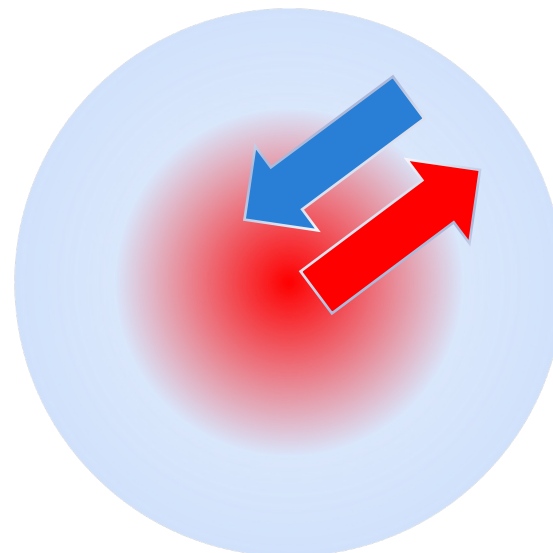
P.E. Shanahan,
W. Detmold PRL (2019)

Around the center of proton:
Pressure is **positive**.

➤ **Repulsive pressure**

Toward the outer region:
Pressure becomes **negative**.

➤ **Confining pressure**



Pressures sum to zero.



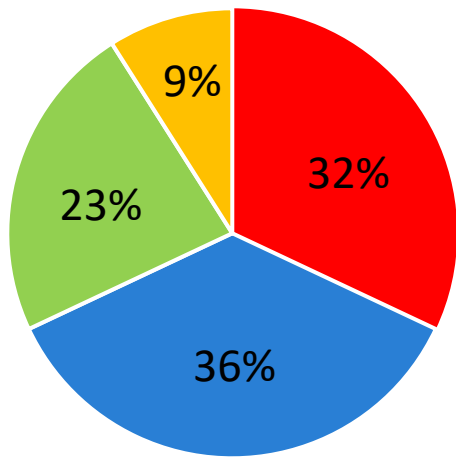
Related to confinement...?

Proton is localized and stabilized.

*For an intuitive understanding of pressure,
it is linked to force density: $\mathcal{F}^j(\vec{r}) \equiv \partial^i \Theta_{ij}^{\text{static}}(\vec{r})$

Lattice results: Yi-Bo Yang et al. PRL (2018)

Proton mass decomposition



- Quark mass
- Quark energy
- Gluon energy
- Trace anomaly

Lattice simulation:
Yi-Bo Yang et al. PRL (2018)

$$\Theta^{00} = \boxed{H_m} + \boxed{H_E} + \boxed{H_g} + \boxed{H_a/4}$$

X.-D. Ji, PRL (1995)

$$\boxed{H_m} = \sum_{u,d,s,\dots} \int d^3x m \bar{\psi} \psi,$$

$$\boxed{H_E} = \sum_{u,d,s,\dots} \int d^3x \bar{\psi} (\vec{D} \cdot \vec{\gamma}) \psi,$$

$$\boxed{H_g} = \int d^3x \frac{1}{2} (B^2 - E^2).$$

$$\boxed{H_a} = H_g^a + H_m^\gamma,$$

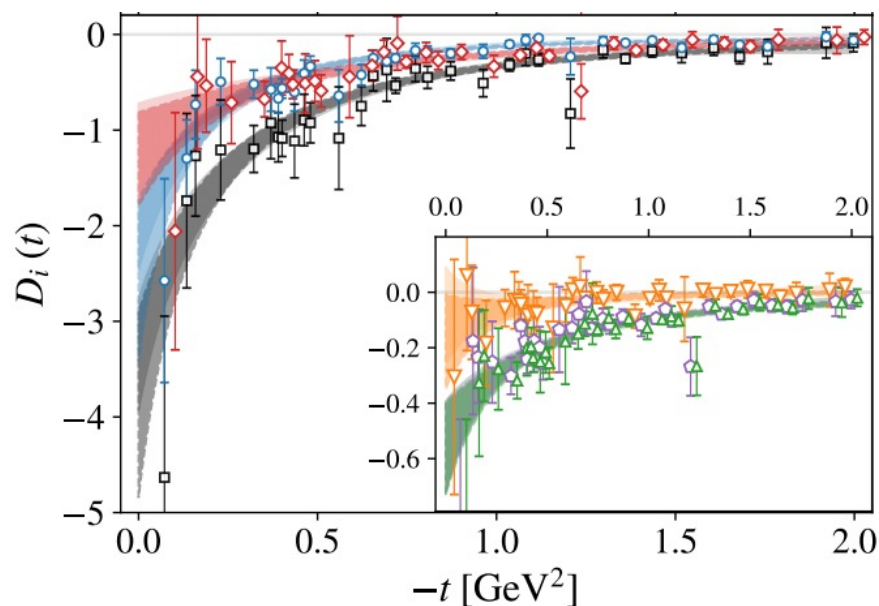
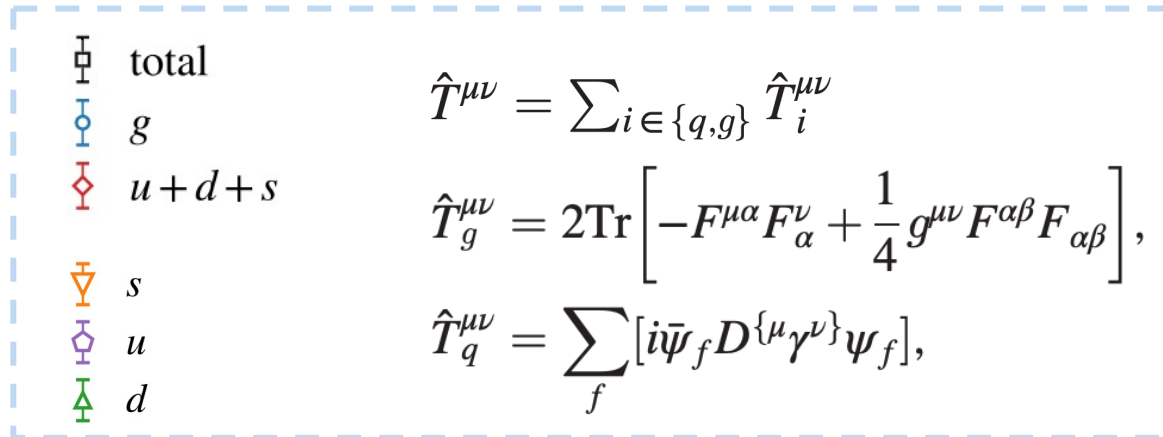
$$H_g^a = \int d^3x \frac{-\beta(g)}{g} (E^2 + B^2),$$

$$H_m^\gamma = \sum_{u,d,s,\dots} \int d^3x \gamma_m m \bar{\psi} \psi.$$

- Overlap valence fermions on four ensembles of Nf=2+1 domain wall fermion configurations

Symbol	$L^3 \times T$	a (fm)	$m_s^{(s)}$ (MeV)	m_π (MeV)
32ID	$32^3 \times 64$	0.1431(7)	89.4	171
24I	$24^3 \times 64$	0.1105(3)	120	330
48I	$48^3 \times 96$	0.1141(2)	94.9	139
32I	$32^3 \times 64$	0.0828(3)	110	300

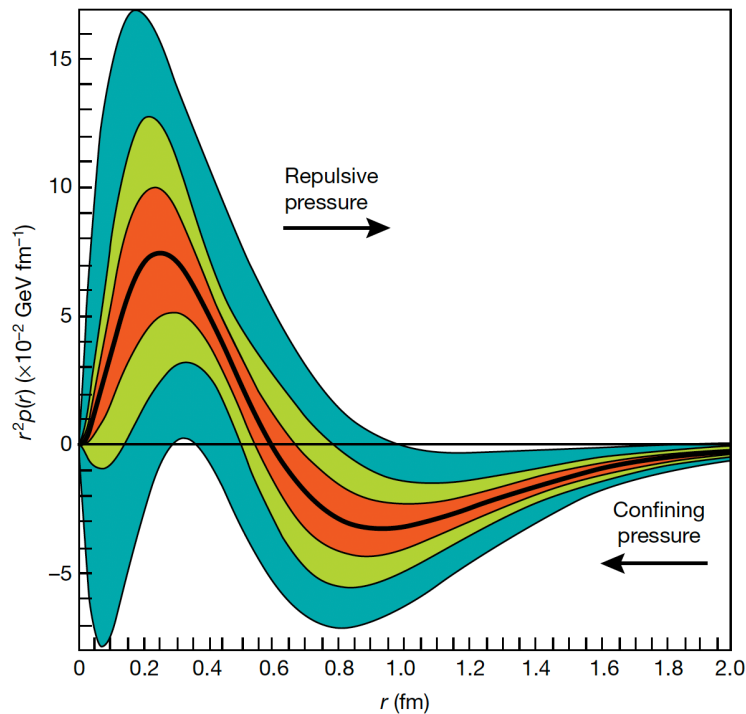
Lattice results: D. C. Hackett, et al., PRL(2024)



- $N_f=2+1$ flavors
- Clover-improved Wilson quarks
- pion mass $\cong 170\text{MeV}$
- lattice spacing $\cong 0.091\text{fm}$ (continuum limit is not taken.)
- Volume: $L^3 \times T = 48^3 \times 96$

Experimental results: V. D. Burkert et al. Nature 557 (2018)

Quark pressure distribution in the proton



From Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)

- Black solid line: extracted from D-term fitted to 6 GeV DVCS.
- Light-green band: represents uncertainties.
- Blue band: uncertainties from previous analyses.
- Red band: projected results from future 12 GeV experiments.

