

Parton Distribution Functions of the Nucleon from Twisted Mass Fermions with Physical Pion Mass

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What will I be showing?

- ▶ PDFs on lattice;
- ▶ Lattice setup;
- ▶ Inverse problem: from z space to x space;
- ▶ Light-cone isovector unpolarized PDF;
- ▶ Moments of the PDF;

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LaMET approach:

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From $\mathcal{H}(z)$ we can reconstruct the light-cone $F^+(x)$ ($H(x)$) PDF.

PDFs can be generalized to GPDs [Bhattacharya et al., arXiv:2209.05373v2]:

Martha Constantinou's talk on Tuesday at 14.20.

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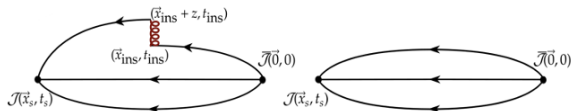
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Optimized momentum smearing $\vec{\Delta}$ at P_i	$(0, 0, P_z)$				$(2, 0, P_z)$		



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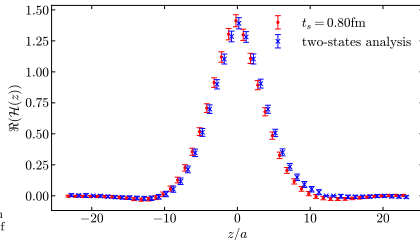
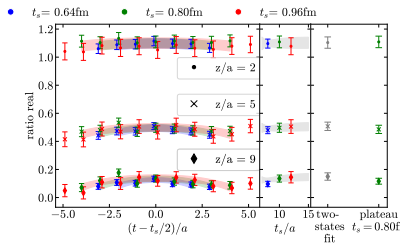
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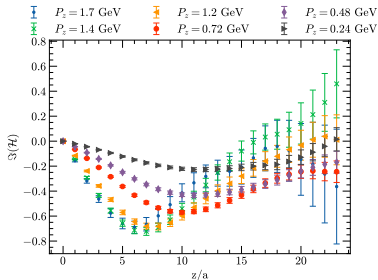
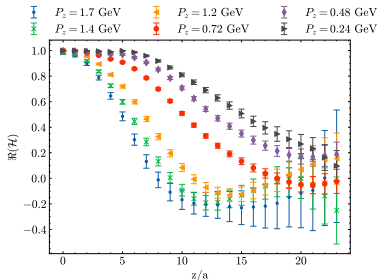
Renormalization

Latest developments in renormalization: Hybrid renormalization [Ding et al., arXiv:2407.03516]

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where $z_s = 4a$ and $\delta m \cdot a = 0.2660$.



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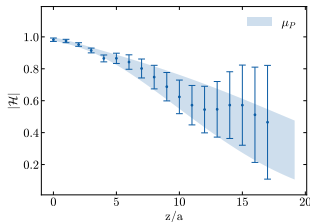
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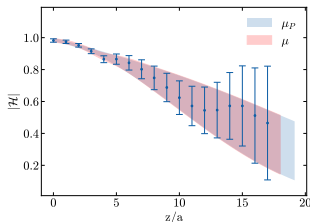
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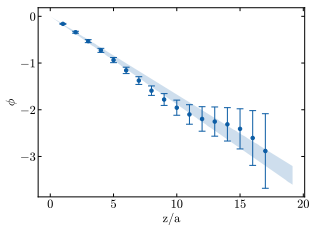
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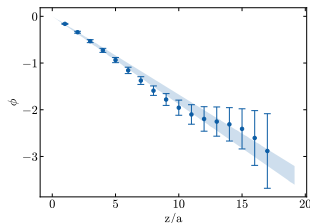
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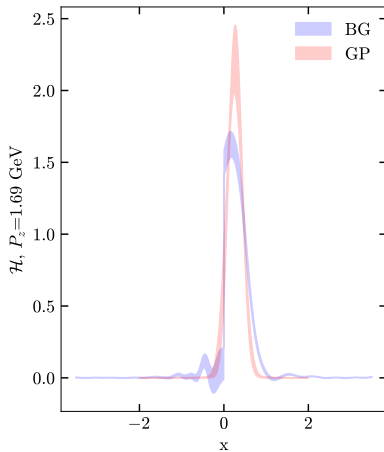


- The reconstructed $\mathcal{H}_{GP}(z)$ is thus

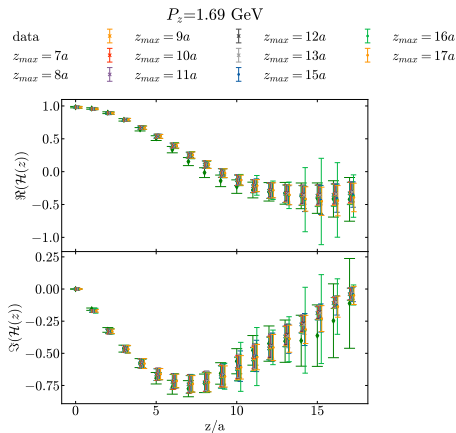
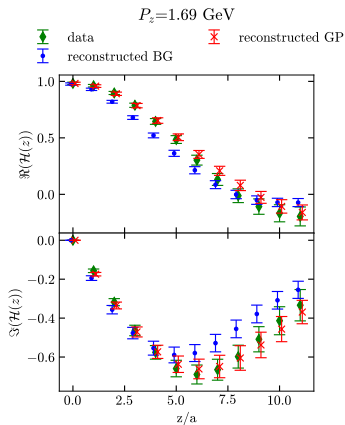
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$\mathcal{H}(x)$ can be now computed in a closed form by doing the Fourier-Transform of $\mathcal{H}_{GP}(z)$.

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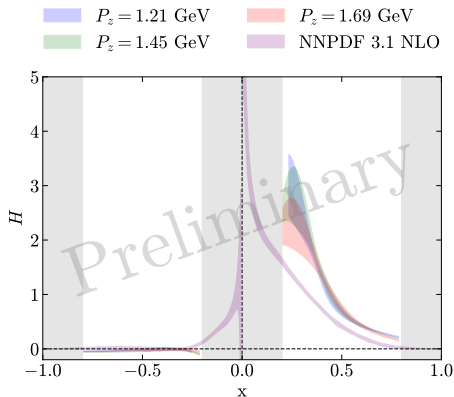
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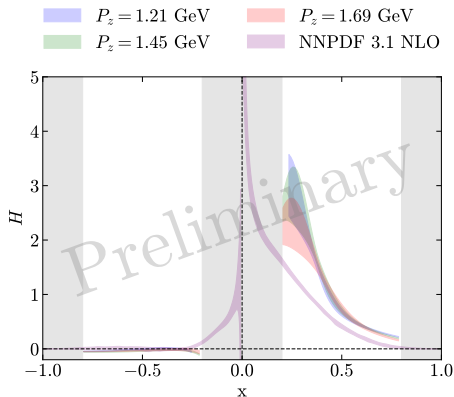
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Studies on systematics of the hybrid renormalization ongoing.

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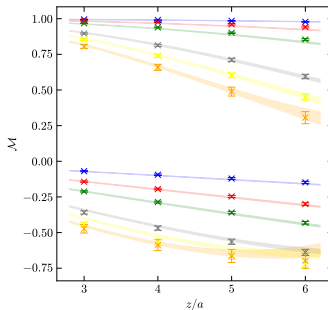
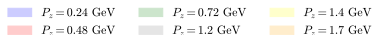
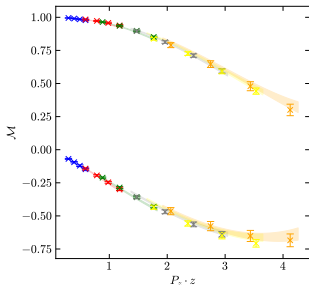
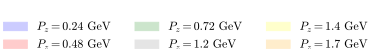
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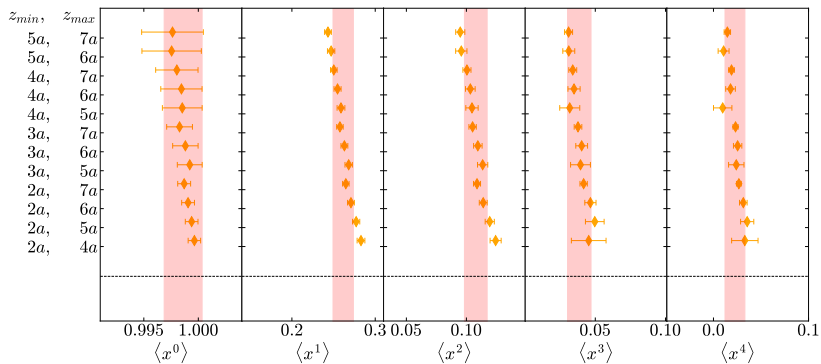
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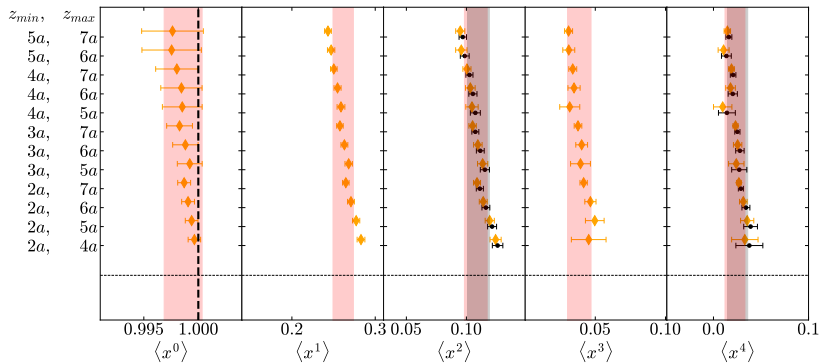
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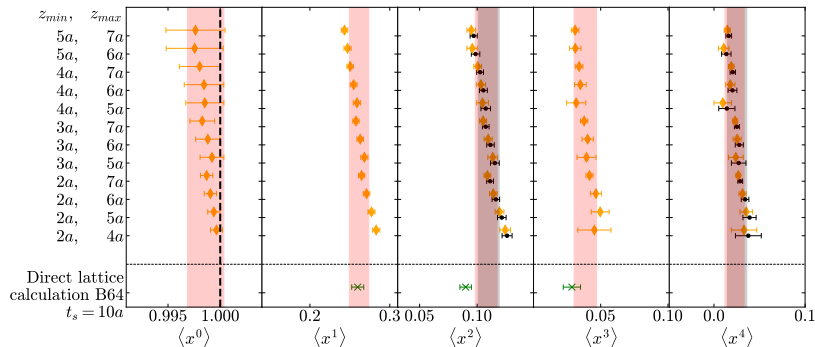
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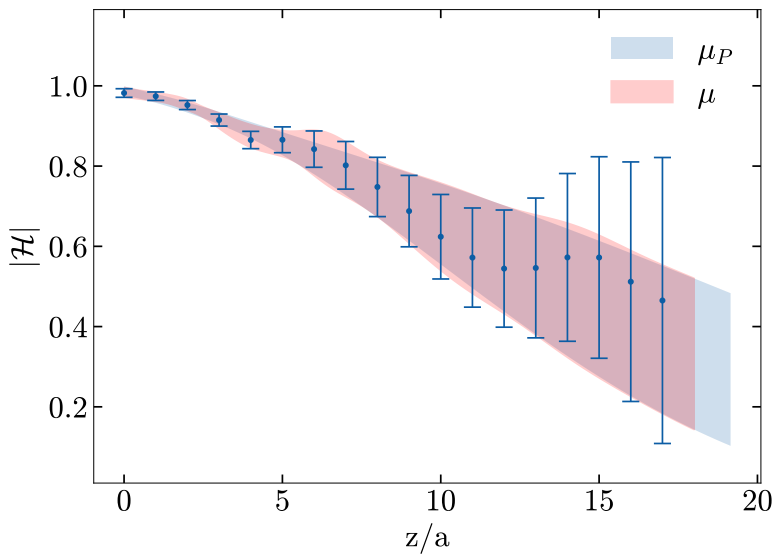
Conclusion and outlook

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 - ▶ Extraction of moments up to $\langle x^4 \rangle$, with agreement with lattice results from direct calculation.
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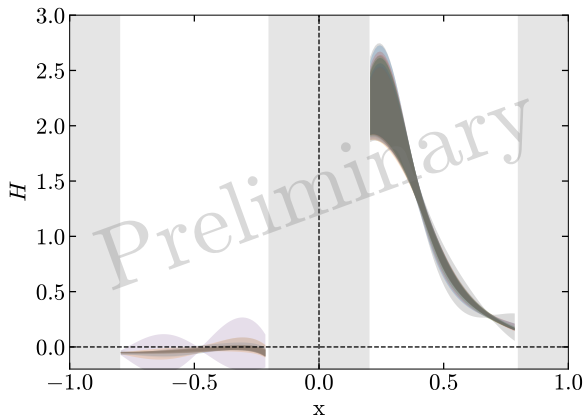
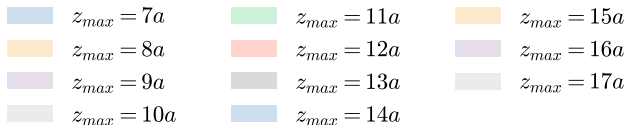


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Bayes-Gauss-Fourier stability



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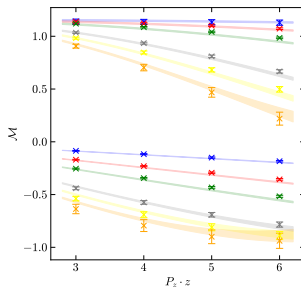
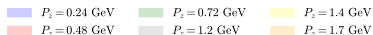
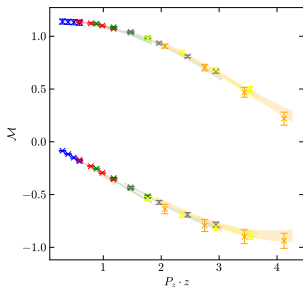
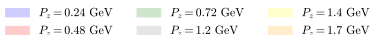
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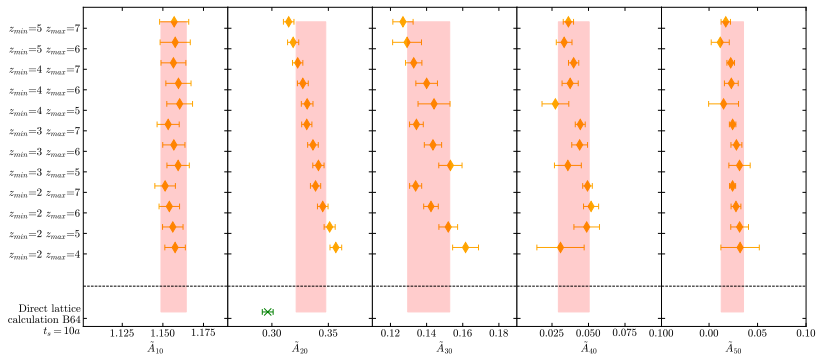
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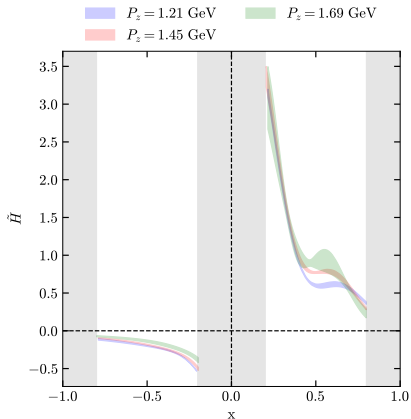


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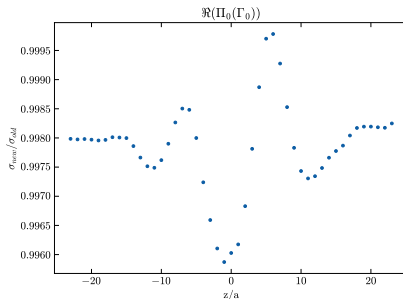
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[arXiv:2310.13114v2] We employ RI/MOM renormalization at $\mu = 2$ GeV. We use Bayes-Gauss-Fourier Transform and then we match them [Arxiv:1902.00307] to light-cone helicity PDF.



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$$R(\Gamma_0, p; t_s, t_{\text{ins}}) = \frac{C^{3pt}(\Gamma_0, p; t_s, t_{\text{ins}})}{\sqrt{C^{2pt}(\Gamma_0, p, \Delta_0; t_s) C^{2pt}(\Gamma_0, p, \Delta; t_s)}}$$

and

$$R(\Gamma_0, p; t_s, t_{\text{ins}}) = \frac{C^{3pt}(\Gamma_0, p; t_s, t_{\text{ins}})}{C^{2pt}(\Gamma_0, p, \Delta_0; t_s)}$$

for $P_z = 1.21$ GeV.