

First constraints on the nonperturbative gluon Collins-Soper kernel

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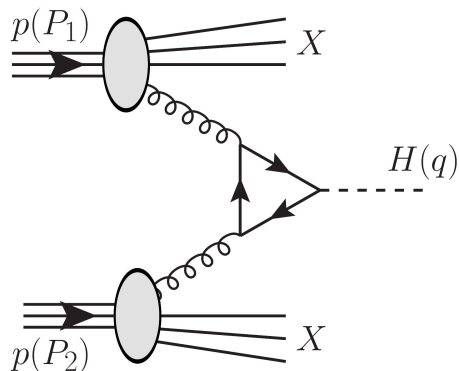
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The gluon Collins-Soper (CS) kernel

- Relevant processes:** CS kernel connects descriptions of gluon structure across:

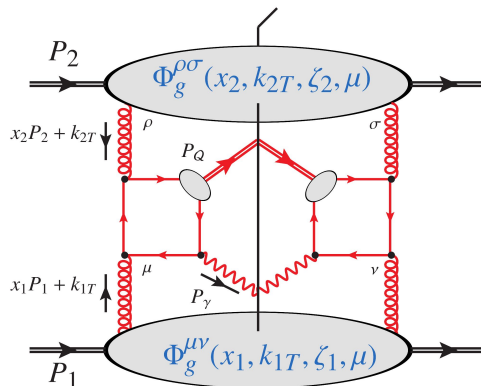
Higgs production



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Quarkonium production

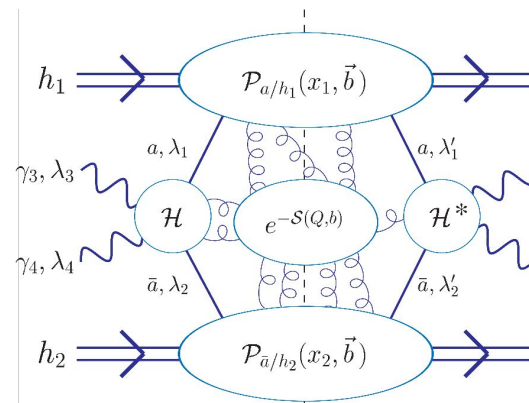
(e.g. $Q + \text{photon}$)



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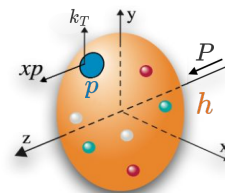
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(ultra-peripheral collisions)



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- Framework:** description based on gluon **Transverse-Momentum-Dependent (TMD)** functions — “TMDs”.
 $f_{p/h}(x, k_T, \mu, \zeta)$

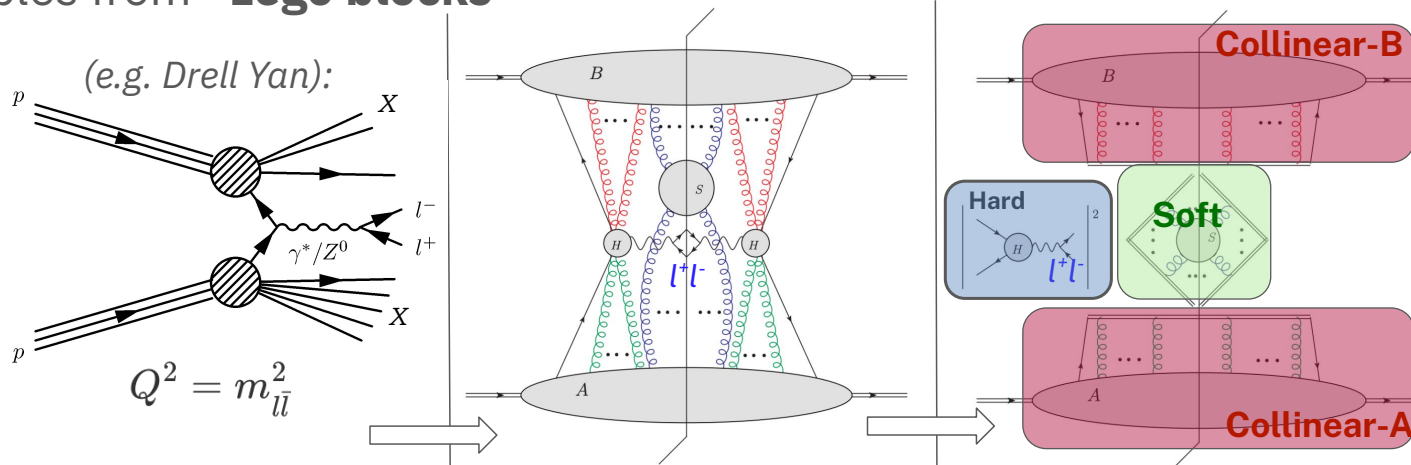


Based on Fig. 1.1 in
TMD Handbook, 2304.03302

TMD Factorization

- Physical observables from “**Lego blocks**”

- Assigns dofs into regions:
hard,
collinear,
soft

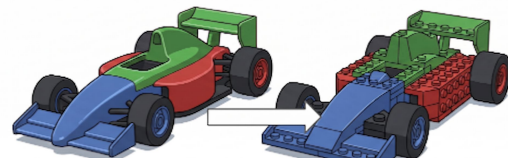


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- Defines **TMDs** = **collinear** x **soft** $f_{q/h}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta) = B_{q/h}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta \dots) \times \sqrt{S_q(b_T, \mu, \dots)}$
- Factorization formula** in b_T -space:

$$\frac{d\sigma^W}{dQ^2 dY d^2q_T} = \sigma_0 \sum_{q, \bar{q}} H_{q\bar{q}}[Q/\mu] \int_0^\infty d^2\mathbf{b}_T e^{i\mathbf{b}_T \cdot \mathbf{q}_T} f_{q/p_a}(x_a, b_T, \mu, \zeta_a) f_{\bar{q}/p_b}(x_b, b_T, \mu, \zeta_b)$$

$\mathbf{b}_T$ is Fourier-conjugate to relative transverse mtm



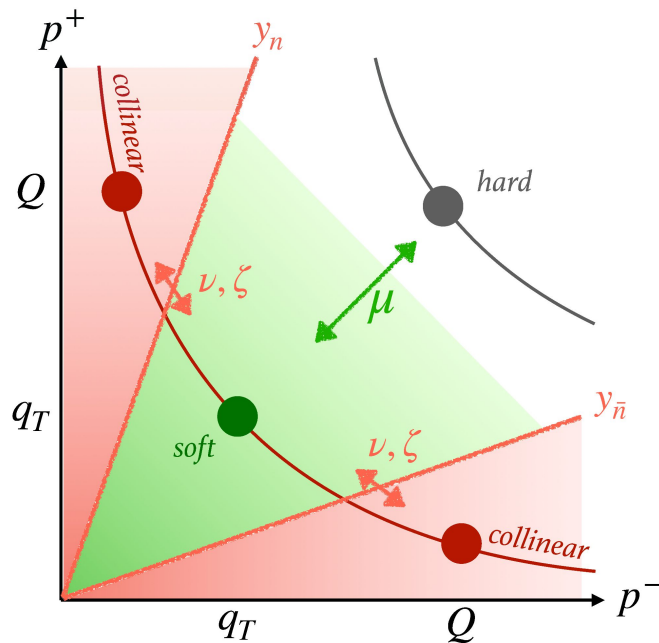
[Image Credit: Google Gemini Nano Banana 2]

Evolution eqs & CS kernel

- **Cross-section:** no divergences
 $\Rightarrow$ no RG scale dependence μ, ζ
- **Individual factors:** divergences
 $\Rightarrow$ RG scale dependence μ, ζ
- Scale dependence must cancel out between factors $\Rightarrow$ **evolution equations:**

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \ln f_{p/h}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta) = \gamma_{\mu}^{q/g}(\mu, \zeta)$$

$$\sqrt{\zeta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \sqrt{\zeta}} \ln f_{p/h}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta) = \gamma_{\zeta}^{q/g}(\mu, b_T)$$



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Collins-Soper (CS) kernel

- **Universal for all TMDs.**
Independent of hadronic state, quark flavor, x
- **Differs for quarks and gluons**
- **Nonperturbative at large b_T , for any μ .**

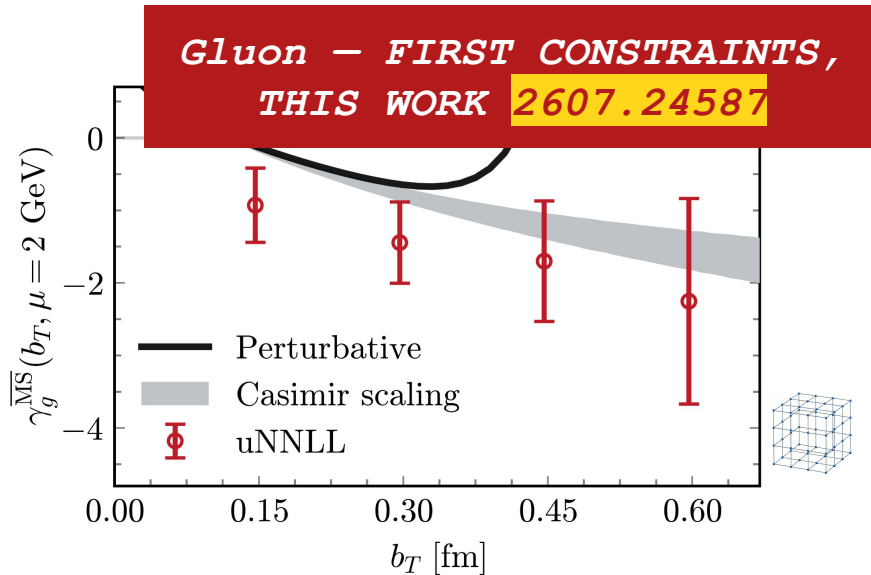
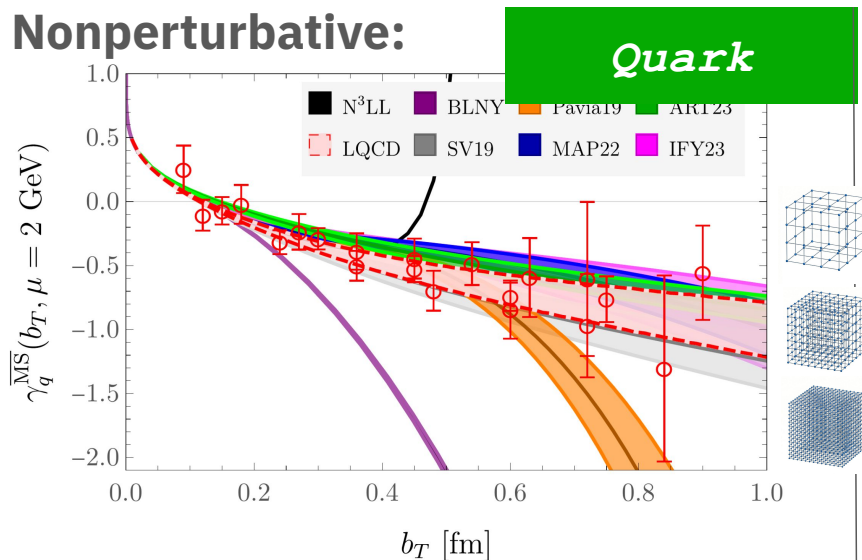
Constraints on quark & gluon CS kernels

*Casimir scaling
assumed in gluon TMD
pheno. analyses*

1. Perturbative:

$$\gamma_\zeta(\mu, b_T) = -\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \ln \frac{b_T^2 \mu^2}{4e^{-\gamma_E}} \times \begin{cases} C_F, & \text{quark,} \\ C_A, & \text{gluon} \end{cases} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$$

2. Nonperturbative:



- ✓ Global fits (SIDIS, DY...)
- ✓ Lattice (systematic control) – **SEVERAL GROUPS**
- ✓ Joint experiment + lattice

- ✗ Global fits
- ✗ Lattice (not fully controlled)
- ✗ Joint experiment + lattice

CS kernel from lattice QCD + LaMET

[Large Momentum Effective Theory]

- Enters RG **rapidity** evolution of TMDs:

$$f_{p/h}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta) = f_{p/h}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta_0) \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} \gamma_p(b_T, \mu) \ln \frac{\zeta}{\zeta_0} \right]$$

Proportional to hadron momentum

- ⇒ Computed as a ratio of TMDs at different ζ :

$$\gamma_q(b_T, \mu) = \frac{2}{\ln(\zeta_1/\zeta_2)} \ln \frac{f_{q/h}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta_1)}{f_{q/h}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta_2)}$$

- ⇒ Matched onto spacelike quasi-TMDs with LaMET

$$\gamma_q(b_T, \mu) = \frac{1}{\ln(P_1/P_2)} \ln \frac{C_q(xP_1^z, \mu) \tilde{f}_{q/h}(x, b_T, \mu, P_1)}{C_q(xP_2^z, \mu) \tilde{f}_{q/h}(x, b_T, \mu, P_2)} + \text{p. c.}$$

LaMET matching coefficients

Encoded by space-like matrix elements

Staple-shaped operators:

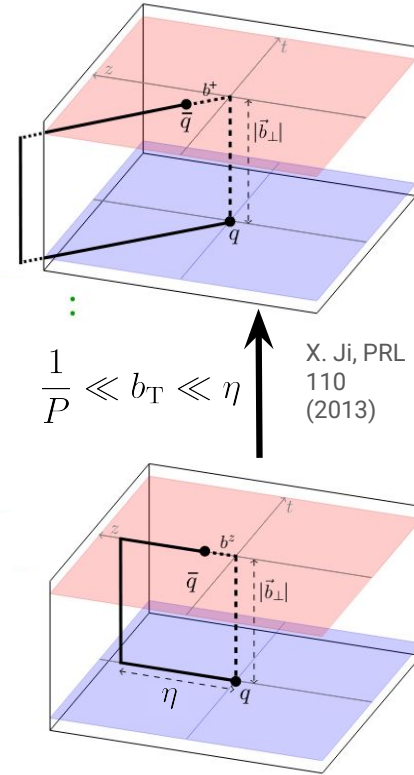


Fig. by Ebert, Stewart, Zhao, JHEP 1909 (2019)

Computational strategy

1. Quasi-TMDs in position space
2. Fourier-transform
3. LaMET matching
4. Power corrections
- ~~5. Continuum limit~~ One small box

$$\gamma_{\zeta}^{(i)}(b_T, \mu) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\ln(P_1^z/P_2^z)} \ln \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dP_1^z b^z}{2\pi} e^{-ixP_1^z b^z} \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} [\tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{i/h}^{(s)\ell}(b^z, b_T, P_1^z, \mu, a)]}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dP_2^z b^z}{2\pi} e^{-ixP_2^z b^z} \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} [\tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{i/h}^{(s)\ell}(b^z, b_T, P_2^z, \mu, a)]} + \delta\gamma_{(i)}(\mu, x, P_1^z, P_2^z) + \text{p. c.}$$

Diagram illustrating the computational strategy for the anomalous dimension $\gamma_{\zeta}^{(i)}(b_T, \mu)$:

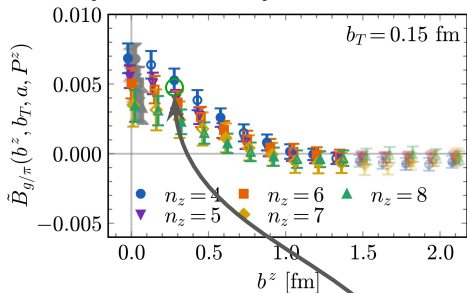
- 1.** Quasi-TMDs in position space: $\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} [\tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{i/h}^{(s)\ell}(b^z, b_T, P^z, \mu, a)]$
- 2.** Fourier-transform: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dP^z b^z}{2\pi} e^{-ixP^z b^z}$
- 3.** LaMET matching: $\delta\gamma_{(i)}(\mu, x, P_1^z, P_2^z)$
- 4.** Power corrections: p. c.
- 5.** Continuum limit: $\lim_{a \rightarrow 0}$

X. Ji et. al, PRD91 (2015);
 Ebert et. al, PRD99 (2019), JHEP09 (2019) 037;
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Analysis summary

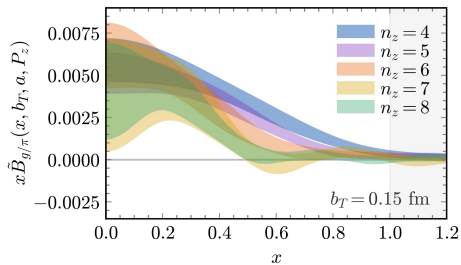
Calculate

position-space MEs



$$\sum_{\Gamma'} Z_{\Gamma\Gamma'}(\mu) \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} W_O^{\Gamma'}(b^z, b_T, \ell, P_1^z)$$

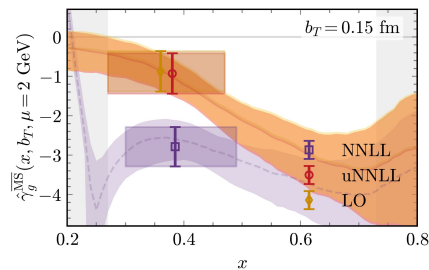
→ **Fourier transform (FT)** to momentum-space MEs



$$\int db^z e^{ib^z x P_1^z} P_1^z N_{\Gamma}(P_1^z)$$

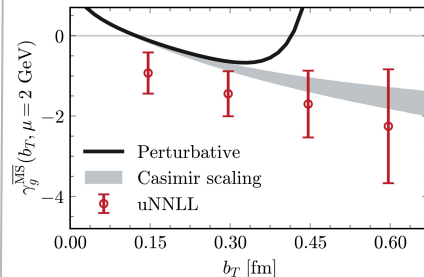
$$\sum_{\Gamma'} Z_{\Gamma\Gamma'}(\mu) \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} W_O^{\Gamma'}(b^z, b_T, \ell, P_1^z)$$

→ Extract kernel from fits + **match** + fit in x



$$\gamma_q(b_T, \mu) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\ln(P_1^z/P_2^z)} \ln \left[\frac{\int db^z e^{ib^z x P_1^z} P_1^z N_{\Gamma}(P_1^z)}{\int db^z e^{ib^z x P_2^z} P_2^z N_{\Gamma}(P_1^z)} \right] + \delta\gamma_q(\mu, P_1^z, P_2^z) + \text{p.c.}$$

...repeat for each b_T



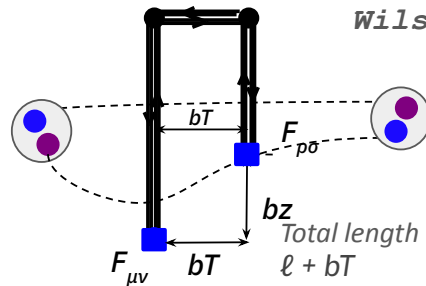
Each point is a separate matrix element calculation:

Gluon quasi-TMD beam functions in a pion state:

$$\tilde{B}_{g/\pi}^{(s)}(b^z, b_T, a, P^z) = \langle \pi(P^z) | O_g^{(s)}(b^z, \mathbf{b}_T, 0) | \pi(P^z) \rangle$$

From 3pt functions **at each bz , b_T , ℓ , and Pz**

Nonlocal gluon operator with staple-shaped Wilson lines

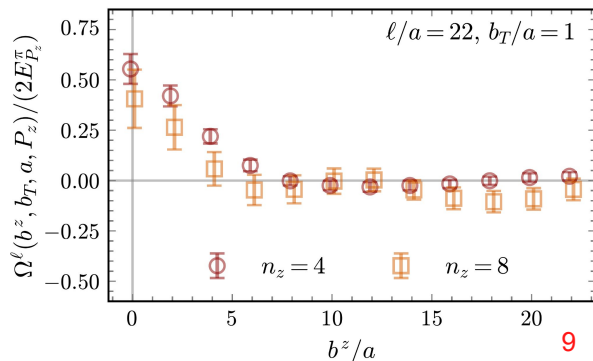
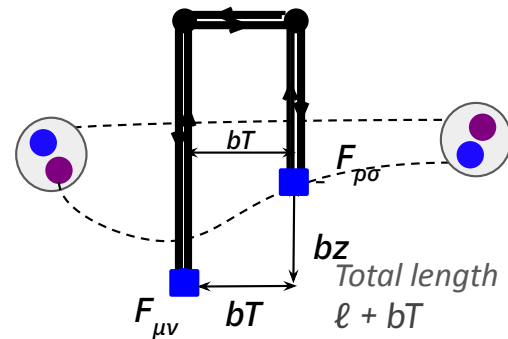
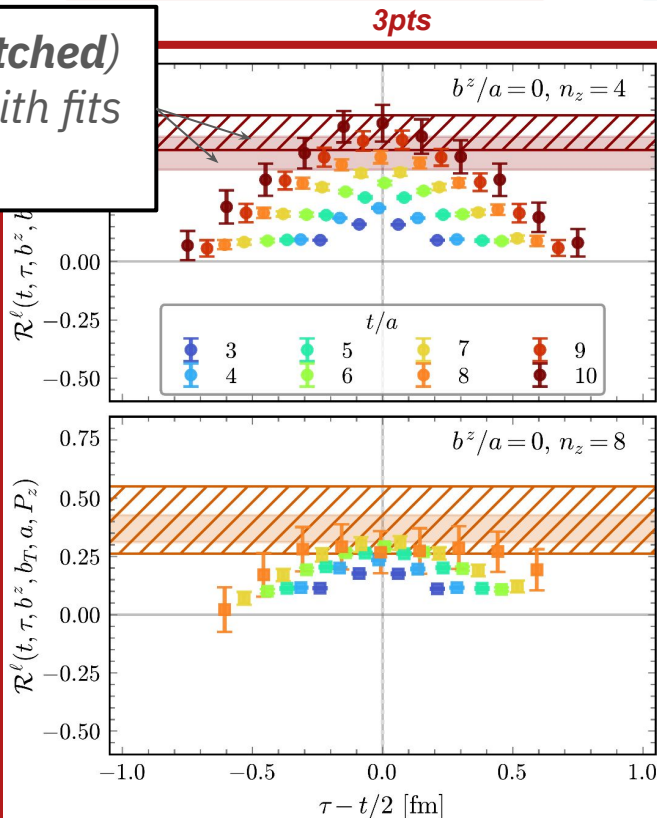
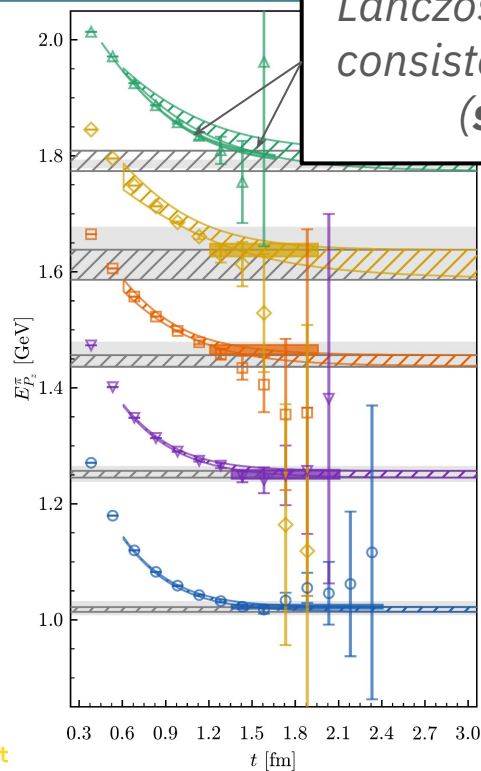


Applying Lanczos "at industrial scale"

Correlate 2pts & operators
cfg-by-cfg:

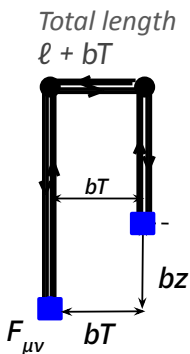
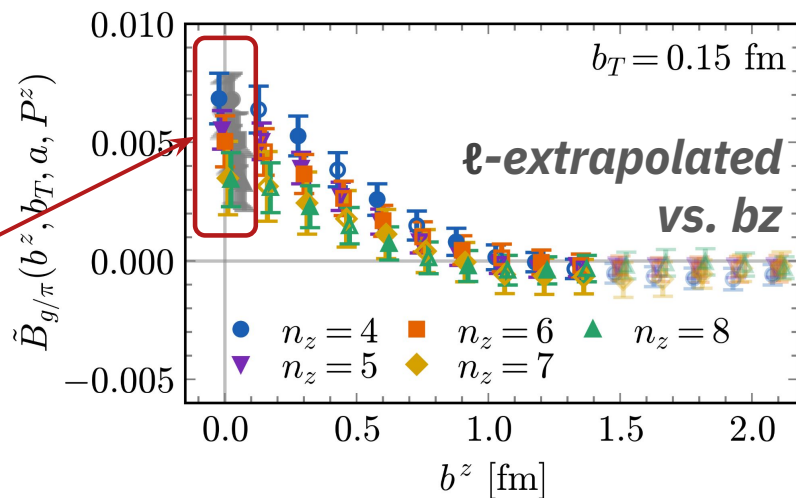
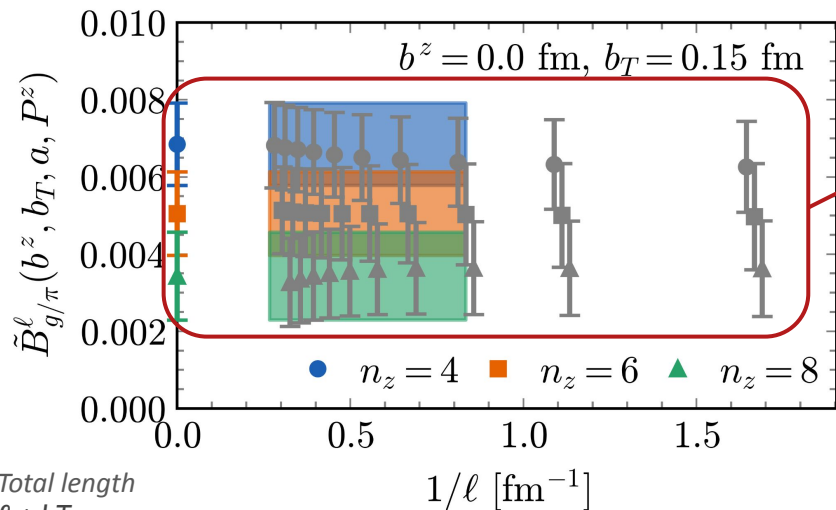
$$C_{3\text{pt}}^{(s)}(t, \tau, b^z, b_T, a, \mathbf{P} = P_z \hat{\mathbf{z}}) = \underbrace{\langle C_{2\text{pt}}(t, a, \mathbf{P})}_{2\text{pts}} \sum_{\mathbf{v}} \underbrace{O_g^{(s)}((\mathbf{y}, \tau), b^z, b_T)}_{\text{Operator VEV}}$$

Lanczos (*hatched*)
consistent with fits
(*solid*)

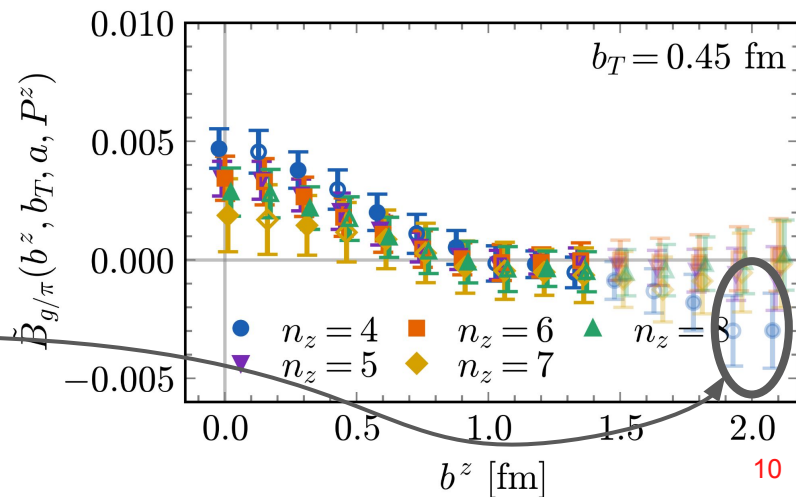


Position-space matrix elements

ℓ -dependent at each bz



- Each point from ell-extrapolation, **noise grows w/ ℓ** , esp. at large bT
- **Finite-volume effects** at $bz \sim L$
- Symmetric in $bz \rightarrow -bz$

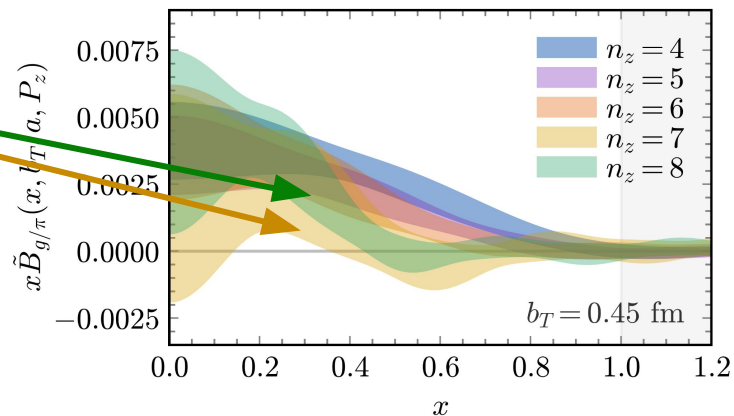
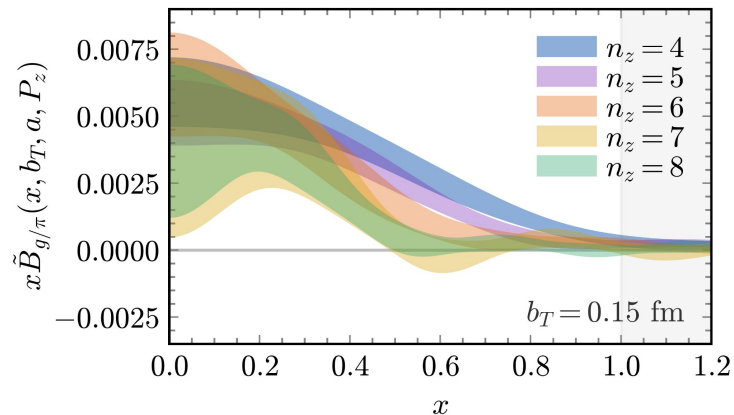


Fourier transformation

- Implemented as a **DFT** [Discrete Fourier Transform]

$$x\tilde{B}_{g/\pi}^{\text{DFT}}(x, b_T, P_z) = \frac{P_z}{2\pi} \sum_{b^z \leq b_{\text{cut}}^z} e^{ixP_z b^z} \tilde{B}_{g/\pi}(b^z, b_T, P_z)$$

- Symmetric in $x \rightarrow -x$
- “Ringing” artifacts from $bz \sim L$ effects at large b_T**
- Robust to to all other systematics
(DFT, analytic transforms of fits, DFT + fitting tails)
- CS kernel encoded in P_z -dependence**



Estimates of CS kernel

- **Fit P_z -dependence** to extract CS kernel:

$$\frac{\tilde{B}_{g/\pi}^{\text{DFT}}(x, b_T, P_z)}{H_g^{\text{LAMET}}(x, b_T, P_z)} = c_{\gamma\text{-fit}}(x, b_T) \exp[\hat{\gamma}_g(x, b_T) \ln P_z]$$

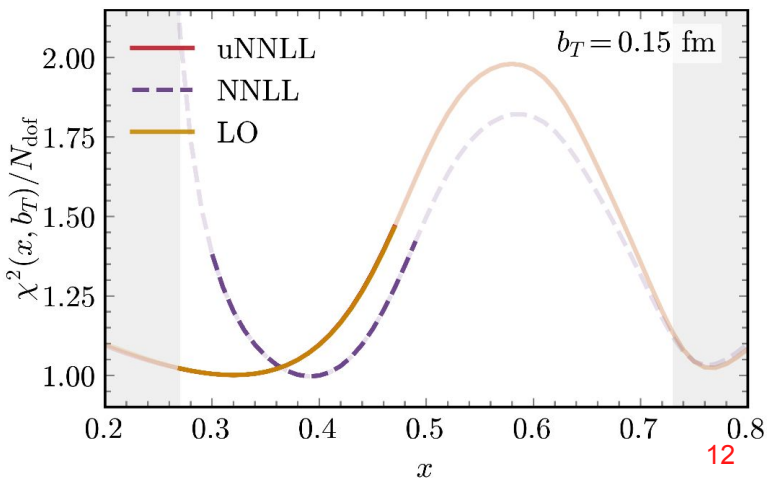
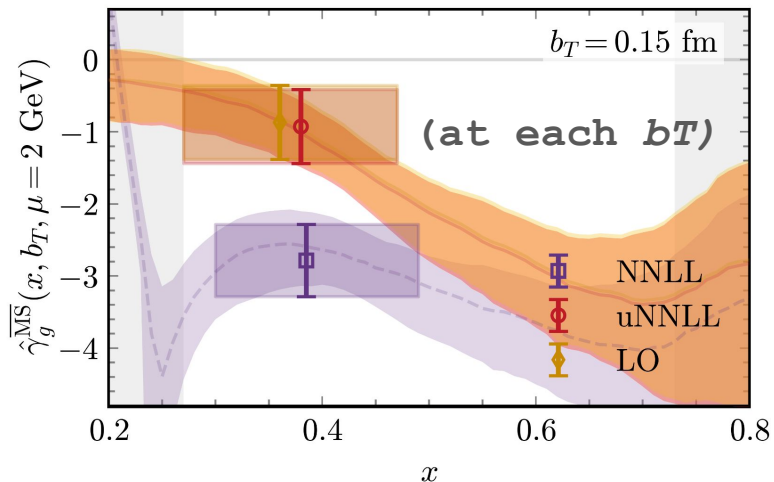
(excludes power corrections)

- Expect **x-independent CS kernel** + x-dependent p.c.
- Matching reduces corrections, shifts estimates
- Small p.c. → plateau in x + better fit quality
- Extract CS kernel at each order (**LO** / **NNLL** / **uNNLL**) as **weighted average from limited x-range**:

(1) **Perturbative constraint** to control b_T -independent p.c.

$$\alpha_s^2(2\bar{x}P_z) < \delta_{\text{p.c.}}$$

(2) **Data-driven constraint** for b_T -dependent p.c. not yet fully controlled by LaMET



LaMET matching

- **x-dependent shift** of CS kernel estimates, att each b_T

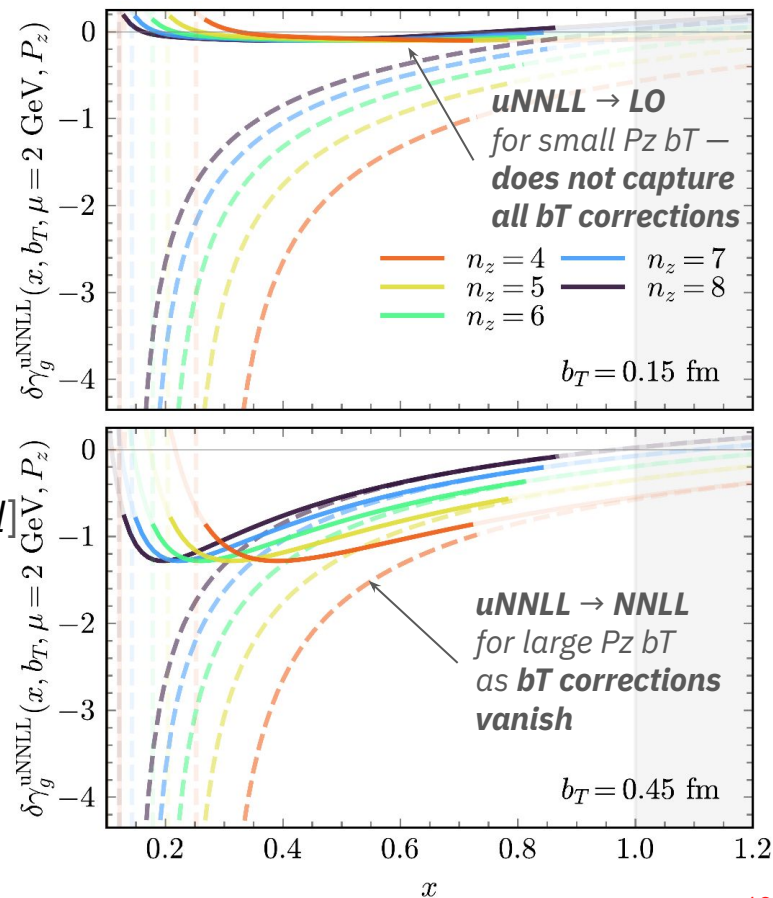
$$\delta\gamma_g^{\text{LaMET}}(x, b_T, \mu, P_z) = -P_z \frac{d}{dP_z} \log H_g^{\text{LaMET}}(x, b_T, \mu, P_z)$$

- **$P_z b_T \gg 1$: b_T -independent shift**

- Known: LO + resummation (NLL), NLO + resummation [**uNNLL** – dashed]
- Unknown: NNLO & higher

- **$P_z b_T \sim 1$: b_T -dependent shift**

- Known: partial multiplicative [**uNNLL** – solid] ('u' = "unexpanded" in b_T)
- Unknown: full, convolutional matching in x .



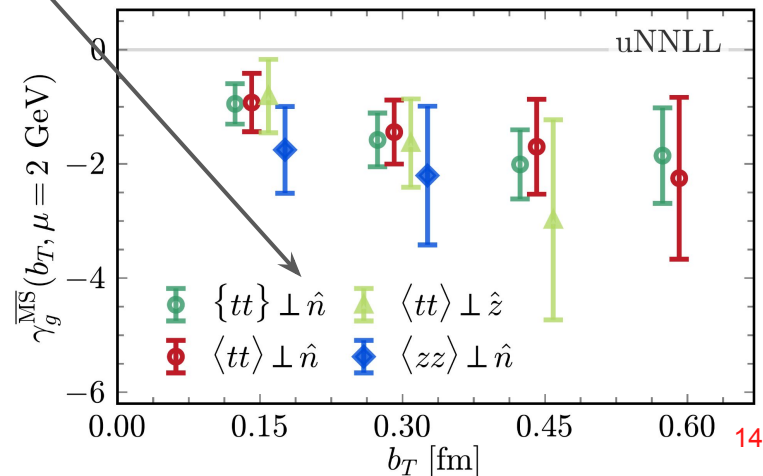
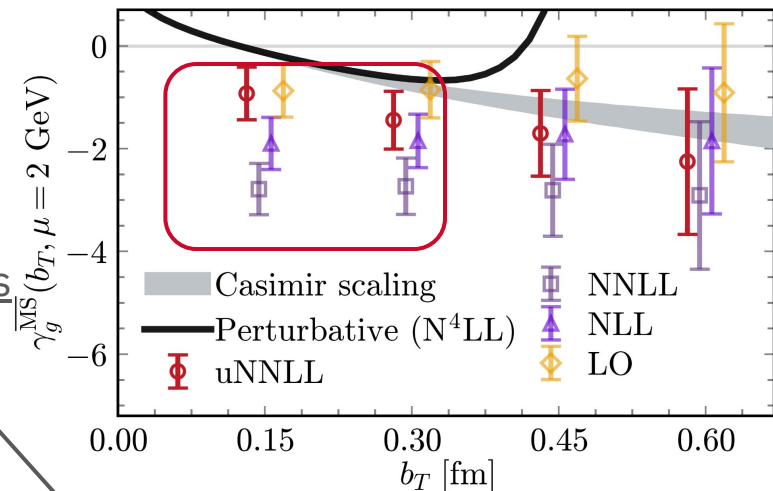
Dominant uncertainties

• Small- b_T systematics

- Missing b_T corrections significant
 - Observed across several operator choices
 - Needs full convolutional matching
- Need higher-order matching to test perturbative convergence

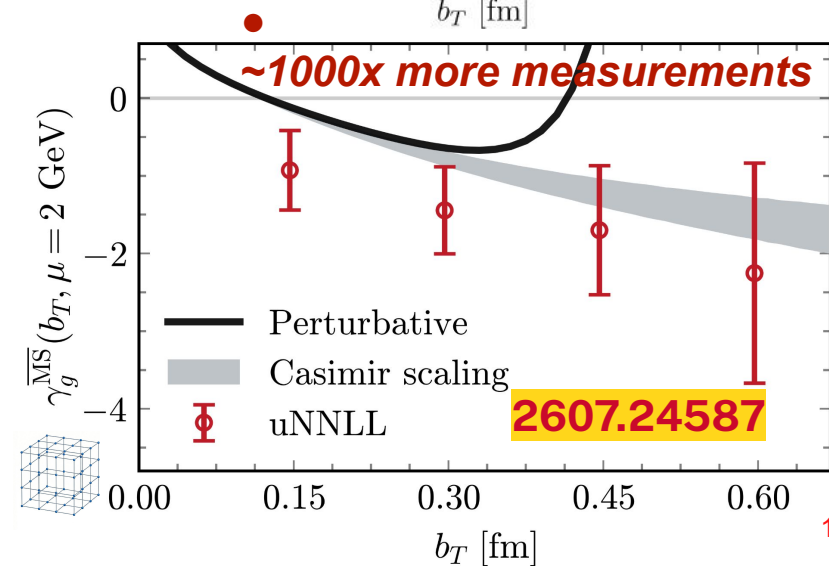
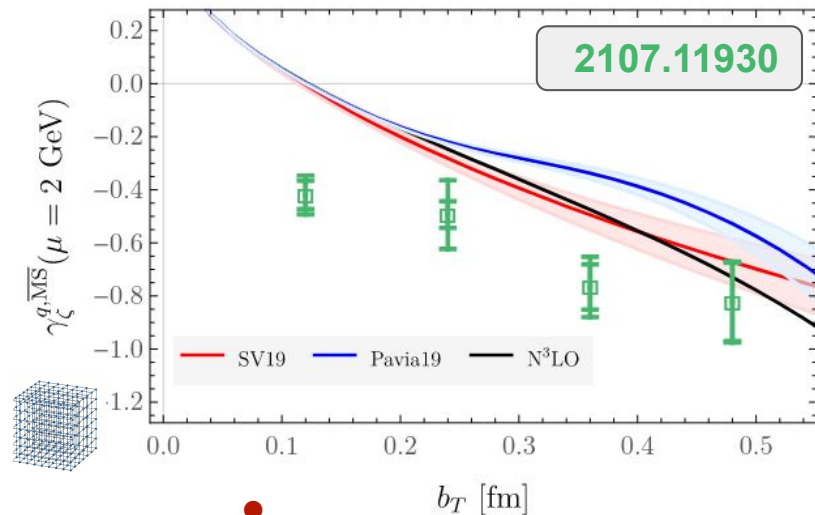
• Large- b_T statistics

- Statistical noise scaling with b_T
- FV effects for $b_z \sim L \Rightarrow$ ringing artifacts in the DFT
- Coulomb-gauge method could help with both stats. & systematics



Outlook

- Similar to quark CS kernel ~5 years ago
 - Need better perturbative matching
 - Need bigger boxes to control FV effects, Fourier transform and discretization artifacts
- But:
 - Statistics more challenging for gluon
 - CG method promising for statistics and systematic control
 - No pheno. results yet
- **Ongoing pheno. impact of quark results provides motivation for gluon case!**



Thank you!
Q&A

Backup

Impact of quark CS kernel determination

Quark results impact: Joint fit w/ experiment + lattice

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Extraction of the Collins-Soper kernel from a joint analysis of experimental and lattice data

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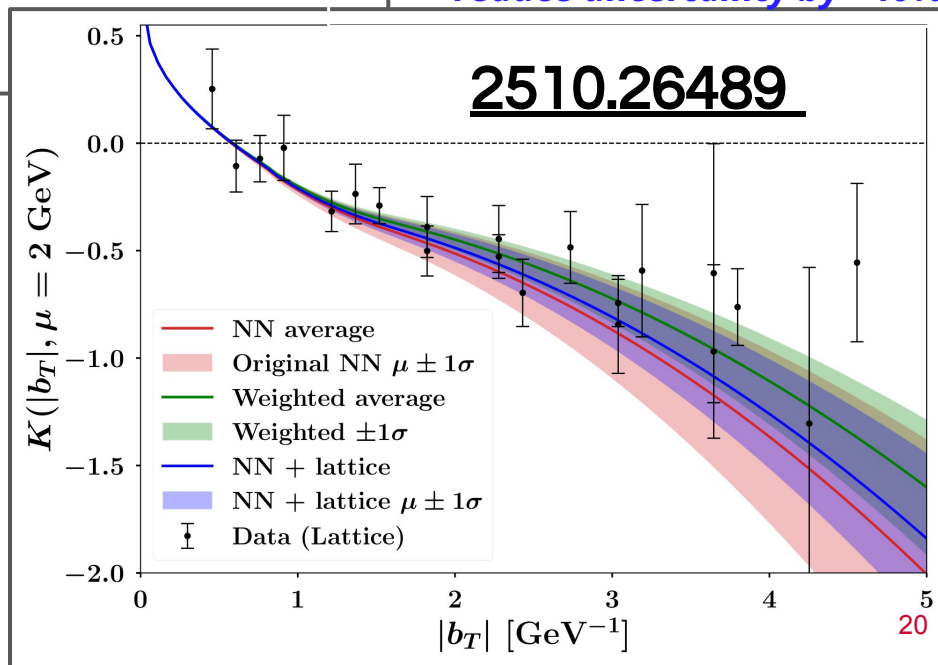
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CS kernel model:

$$\hat{\gamma}_{\zeta}(b_T, g_2) = -g_2 b_T^2$$

*shift g_2 central value by ~10%,
reduce uncertainty by ~40%*

- **Experimental data [482 pts]** from full **TMD fit by MAP**
- **Lattice results [21 pts]** *from the 3 ensembles*
- Incorporate lattice results by (1) **reweighting** original replicas and (2) **refitting**:



CS kernel & α_{strong} from pT^Z

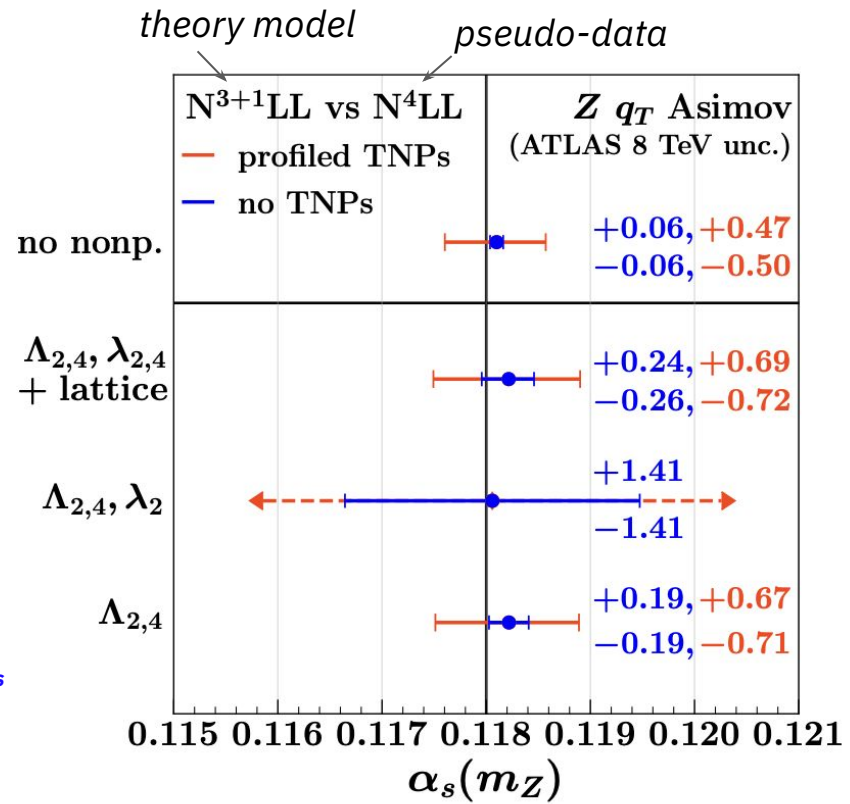
- Use small pT^{el} Drell-Yan to constrain $\alpha_{\text{strong}}(m_Z)$
- Subpercent precision at LHC $\Rightarrow$ need reliable theory uncertainties
- Pseudo-data study: 2506.13874

Replace exp. data w/ simulated data at $\alpha_{\text{strong}}(m_Z) = 0.118$
Keep cov. matrix from experiment
Fit theory model parameters, with/without varying TNP

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i,j} (y_i - \hat{y}_i(\theta))^T C_{ij} (y_j - \hat{y}_j(\theta)) + \sum_i \frac{(\theta_i - \bar{\theta}_i)^2}{\Delta\theta_i^2}$$

θ includes CS kernel model params $\lambda_{2,4}$:

$$\hat{\gamma}_\zeta(b_T, \lambda_2) = -\frac{\lambda_2}{2} b_T^2 - \frac{\lambda_4}{2} b_T^4$$

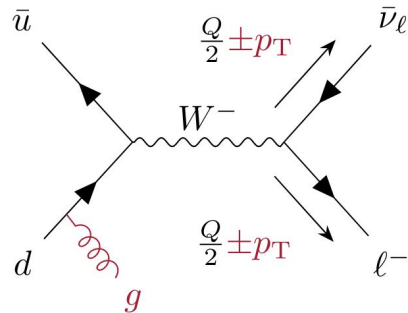


Interpretation: pT^Z spectrum alone insufficient to constrain both α_{strong} + NP parameters.
Need additional NP constraints.

Example: CS kernel & p_T spectra of electroweak bosons

- Ideally: compare experiment to cross sections factorized into TMDs:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ \, d\mathbf{y} \, dq_T} \propto \underbrace{\sum_{q\bar{q}} H(Q, \mu)}_{\text{Hard matching coefficient (large } b_T \text{ is nonperturbative)}} \underbrace{\int_0^\infty d^2b_T e^{-iq_T b_T}}_{\text{Fourier transform}} \underbrace{f_{q/p}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta) f_{\bar{q}/\bar{p}}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta)}_{\text{TMDs}}$$



- Practice: TMDs unknown, need matching onto collinear PDFs at perturbative $b_T=b^*$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ \, d\mathbf{y} \, dq_T} \propto \sum_{q\bar{q}} H_{q\bar{q}}(Q, \mu) \int_0^\infty d^2b_T e^{-iq_T b_T} \underbrace{e^{-S(Q, b_T)}}_{\text{Nonperturbative piece of the Sudakov factor sensitive to CS kernel at large } b_T} \underbrace{(C_{q'} \otimes f_{q'/p}^{\text{coll.}})(C_{\bar{q}'} \otimes f_{\bar{q}'/p}^{\text{coll.}})}_{\text{Collinear PDFs matched at perturbative } b_T=b^*}$$

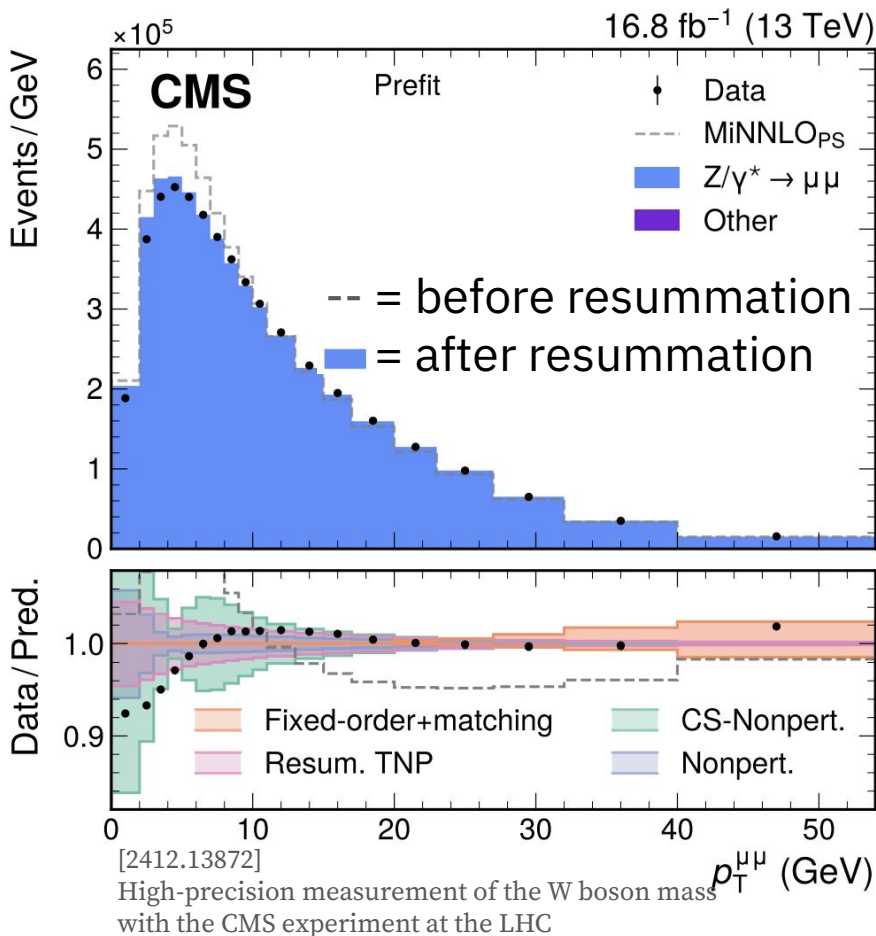
- To match, need (a model of) CS kernel.

Variations in CS kernel $\Rightarrow$ variations in differential cross section.

CS kernel & measuring masses of Z & W bosons

- Fit $pT^{\ell\ell}$ (pT^ℓ) exp. data to simulated templates
- $M^{Z/W}$ = free parameter in fit
- BUT: $pT^{\ell\ell}$ (pT^ℓ) affected by **both $M^{Z/W}$ and uncert. in $pT^{Z/W}$**
- **Uncertainty in CS kernel** affects resummed $pT^{\ell\ell}$ (pT^ℓ) in the nonperturbative region

Propagated as *Theory Nuisance Parameters (TNPs)* implemented in SCETLib [2411.18606]



CS kernel & W mass from CDF measurement

- CDF measurement of M^W used Z data to fit NP params., then held params. fixed to fit M^W from W data.
- Would CDF analysis results change with different NP models / priors?

Ongoing w/ Yang Fu (MIT) Josh Isaacson (MSU), Mike Wagman (FNAL)

Electroweak fit
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LEP combination
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D0
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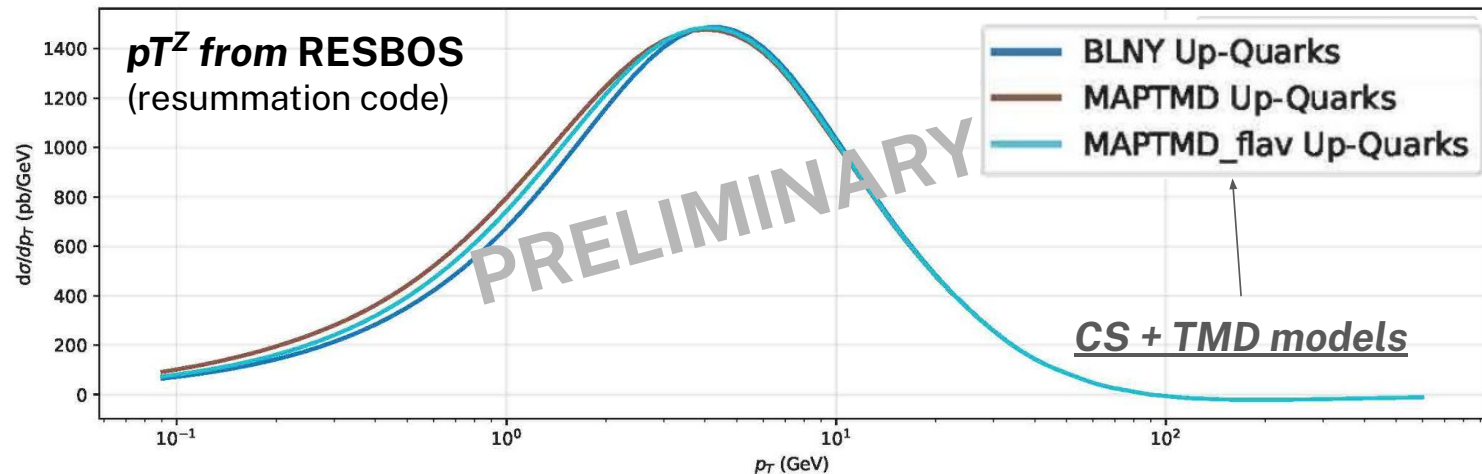
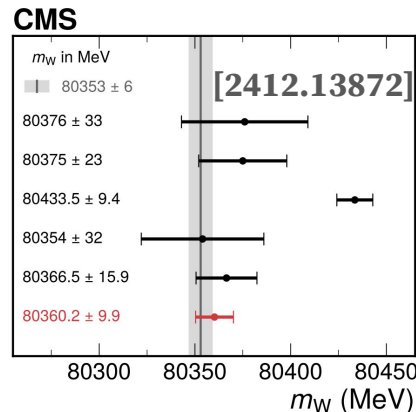
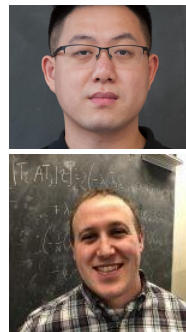


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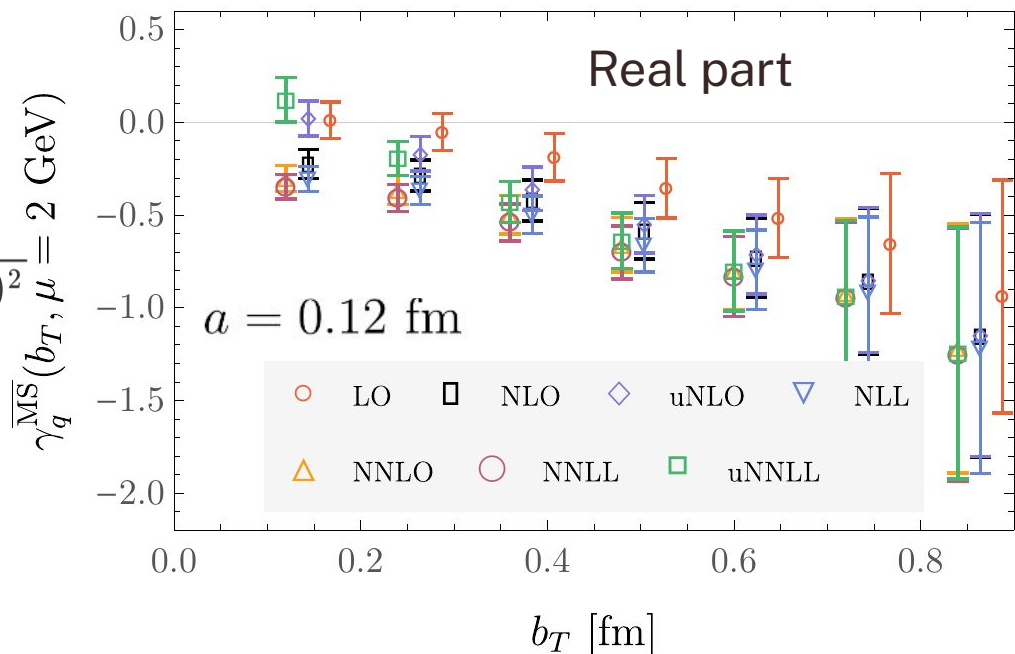


bT-dependent LaMET matching

bT -dependence of power corrections (numerical evidence) [1/3]

- TMD LaMET matching needs $\mathbf{qT} \ll \mathbf{Pz}$
- Lattice results at small bT have $\mathbf{qT} \sim \mathbf{Pz} \Rightarrow$ power corrections $\frac{1}{(xP^z b_T)^2}, \mu = 2 \text{ GeV}$
- Full matching in this regime is
 - (1) **bT -dependent** and
 - (2) **convolutional** in $\mathbf{x}$:

$$\tilde{\phi}(\mathbf{x}, b_T, \mu, P^z) = \int_0^1 d\mathbf{y} H_\phi(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}, b_T, \mu, P^z) \phi(\mathbf{y}, \mu)$$



bT -dependence of power corrections (numerical evidence) [2/3]

- Full **bT -dependent convolutional** matching: $H_\phi(y, x, \mu, P^z)$

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- So far: isolate the bT -dependent **multiplicative** part:

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$$H_\phi(y, x, b_T, \mu, P^z) \xrightarrow{P^z b_T \gg 1} \delta(y - x) \left(\mathbf{C}_\phi^{(u)}(xP^z, b_T, \mu) \mathbf{C}_\phi^{(u)}((1-x)P^z, b_T, \mu) \right) \\ + \cancel{\delta H_\phi(y, x, b_T, \mu, P^z)}$$

Drop convolutional piece (for now)

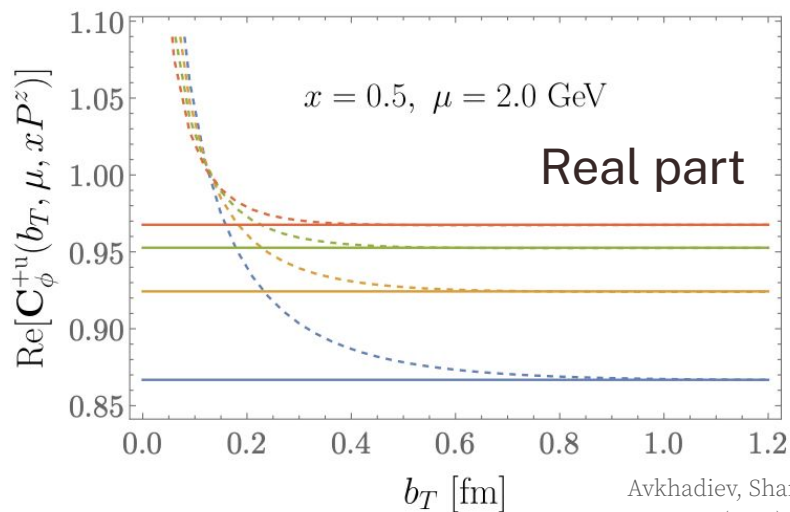
- Defines the **“unexpanded” matching** in this work:

$$\mathbf{C}_\phi^{(u)}(xP^z, b_T, \mu) = \boxed{C_\phi(xP^z, \mu)} + \delta C_\phi(xP^z, b_T, \mu)$$

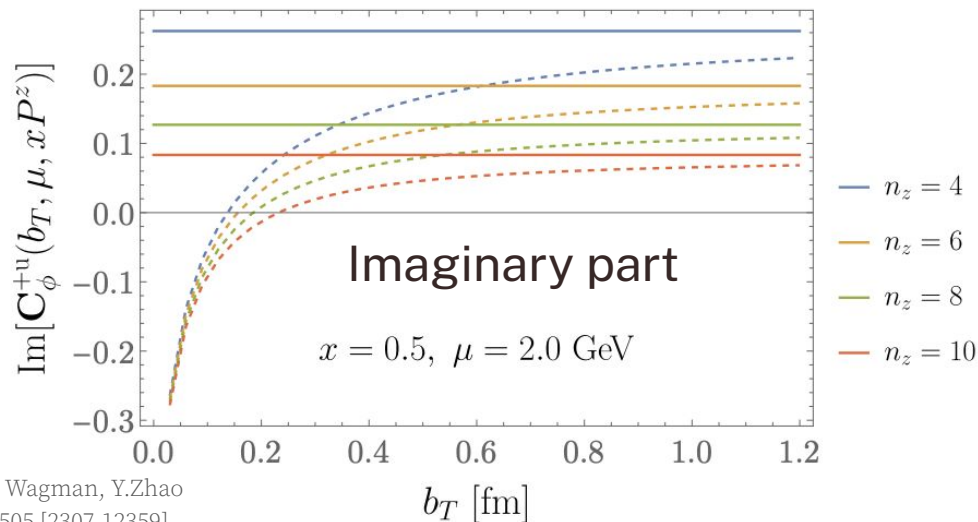
Usual, bT -independent LaMET matching

bT -dependence of power corrections (numerical evidence) [3/3]

- This “unexpanded” matching mitigates bT -dependent power corrections
[(--)**dashed** = unexpanded, (-)**solid** = bT -independent]
- Higher bT sensitivity in the imaginary part of estimate — **explains imaginary part at small bT after renormalon subtraction.**

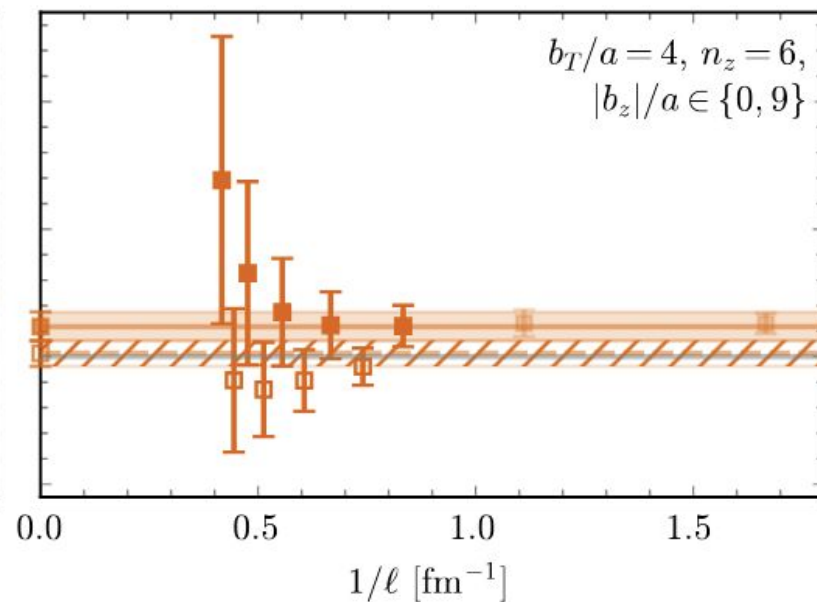
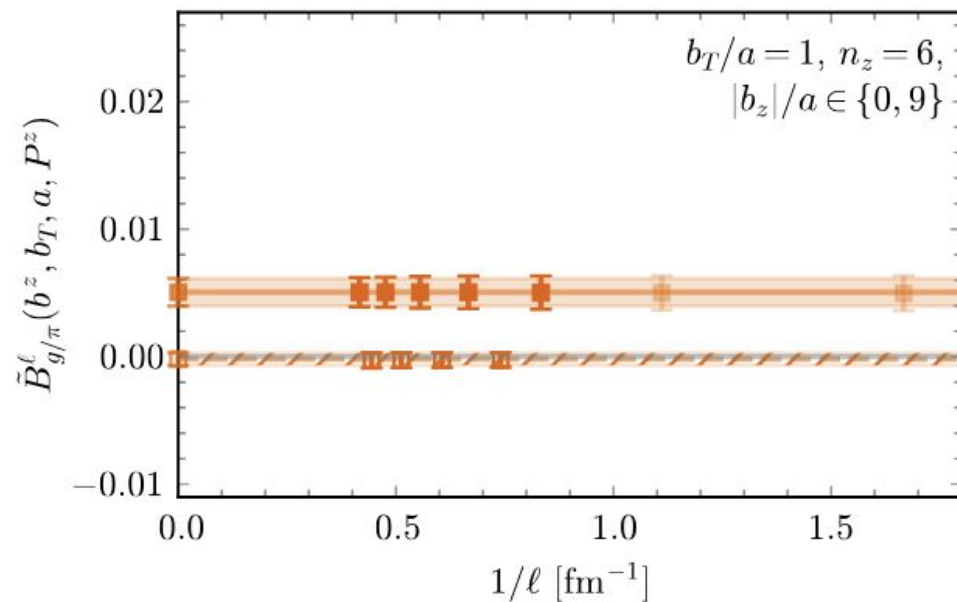


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More on uncertainties

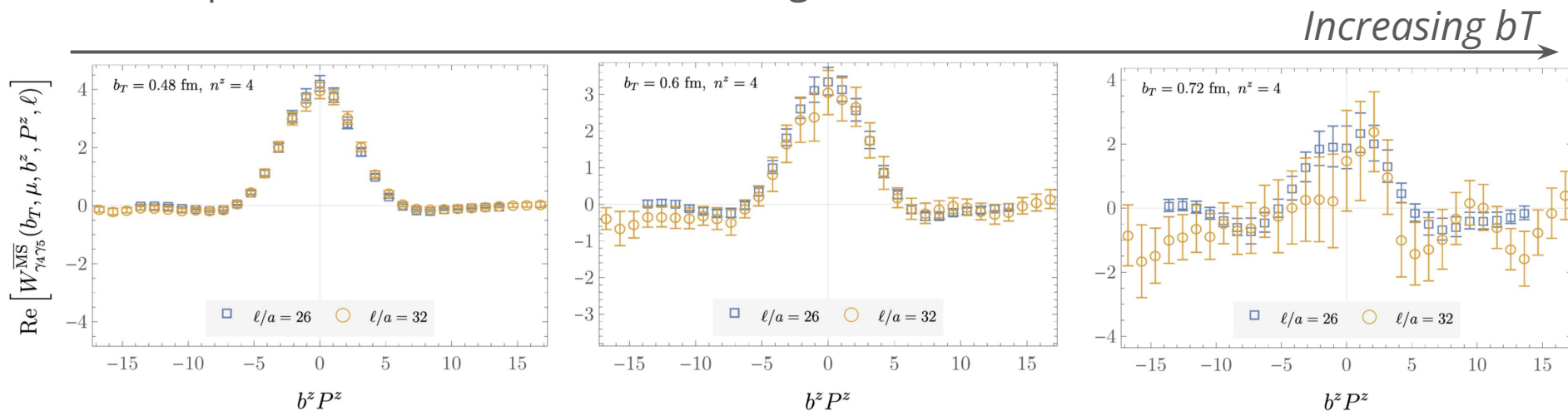
FV systematics



Statistical noise from Wilson lines

E.g. for quark CS kernel:

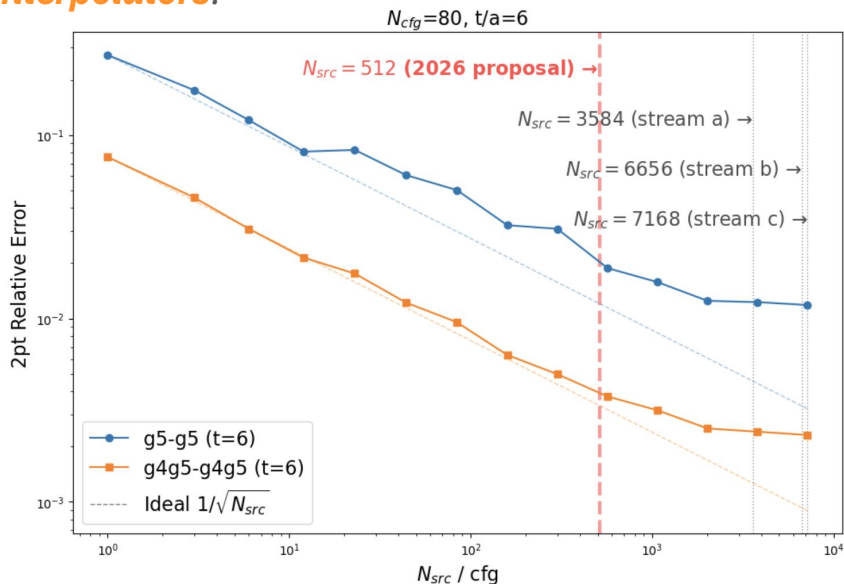
- Statistical noise grows with length of Wilson line.
- Compare $\ell=26$ vs $\ell=32$ with increasing bT :



Even greater challenge for gluon CS kernel calculations

1) How large are the autocorrelations among the pion two-point functions computed with different source positions on the same configuration?

Sufficiently small so sqrt(N) scaling holds for the proposed 512 srcs / cfg with **kinematically enhanced interpolators**:



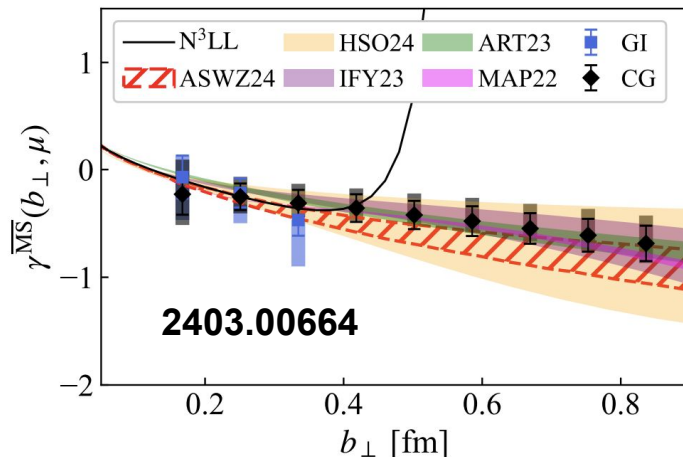
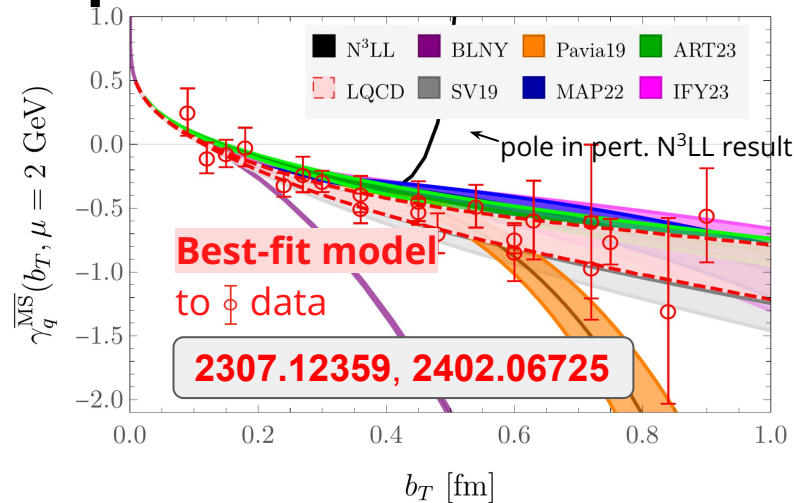
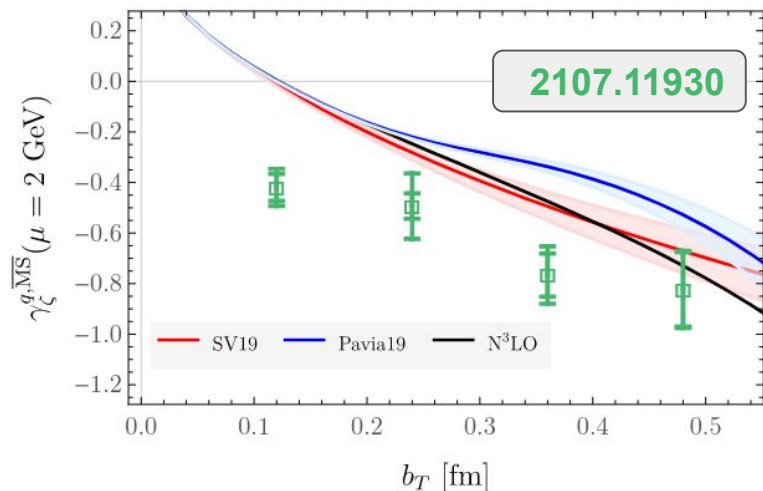
2) How do the results look when using the nucleon two-point functions instead of the pion two-point functions?

$$C_{2pt}(t, P = K/\zeta) = \sum_x e^{i(K/\zeta) \cdot x} \langle G_K(x, 0) \Gamma' G_{-K}(x, 0) \Gamma \rangle$$

reweight

- 2pt calculations:
 - **Inversions done with mtm-smearred quarks** at fixed $K = \zeta P$
 - Optimal smearing fractions: $\zeta \sim 0.1$ nucleon, $\zeta \sim 0.9$ pion
- Nucleon 2pts:
 - **2024: no signal in prelim. studies** with $\zeta \sim 0.4$ (incl. with kinematic enhancement).
 - **no nucleon 2pts in full 2pt set** w/ $\zeta \sim 0.9$.
 - **2026:** will include nucleon 2 pts, but keep ζ optimized for pions

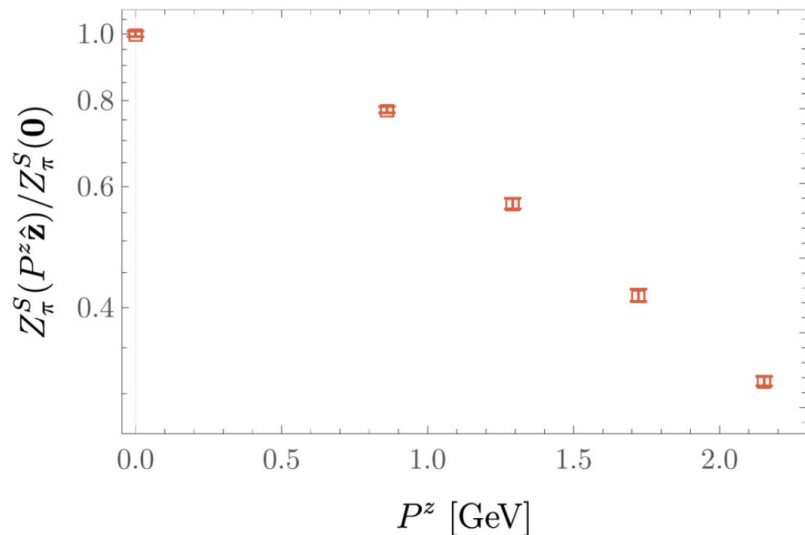
Progress in systematic control and precision



Highly encouraging results for quark CS kernel with CG calculations: extends b_T range from $\sim 0.4 \text{ fm}$ to $>1 \text{ fm}$ on just 64 configurations (vs. $\sim 500 \times 3$ configurations above on the right)

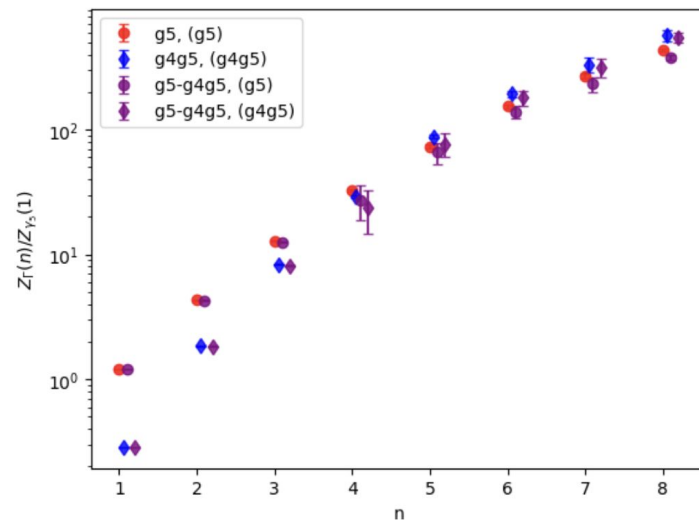
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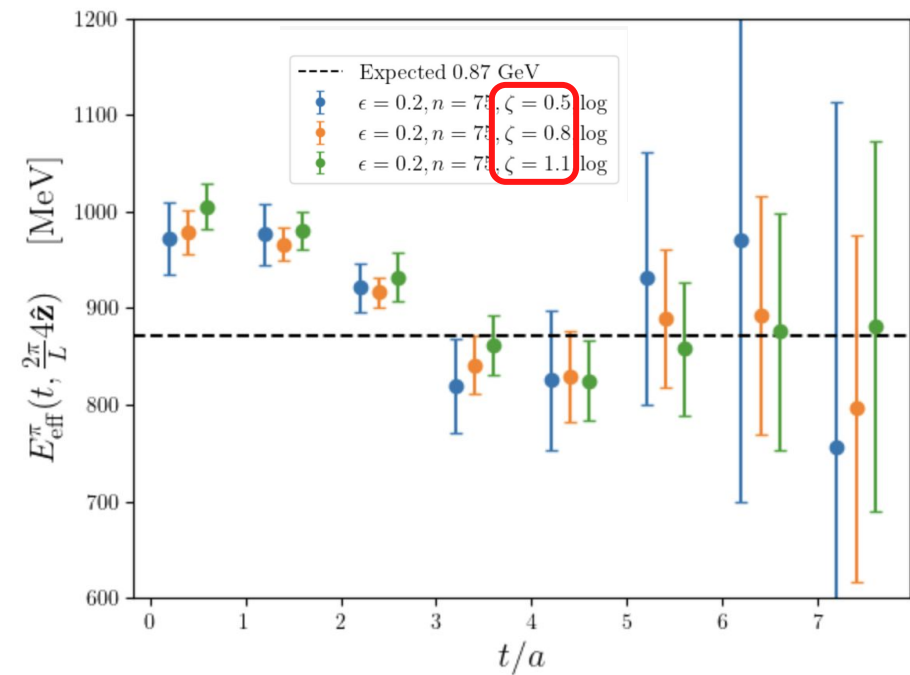
Gluon kernel calculations
Smearing optimized for mtm
w/ $n = 9$



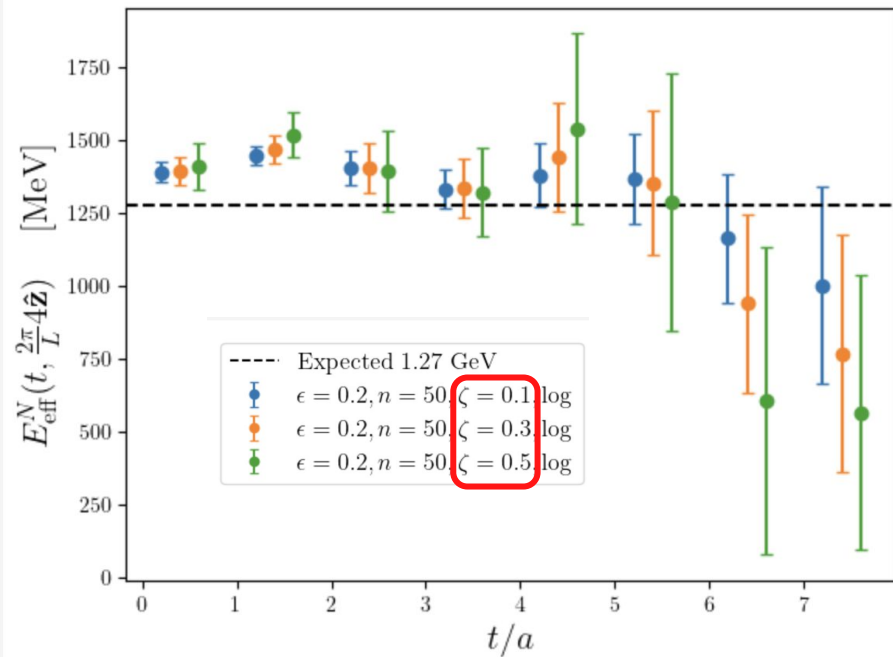
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Momentum smearing tests

Pion

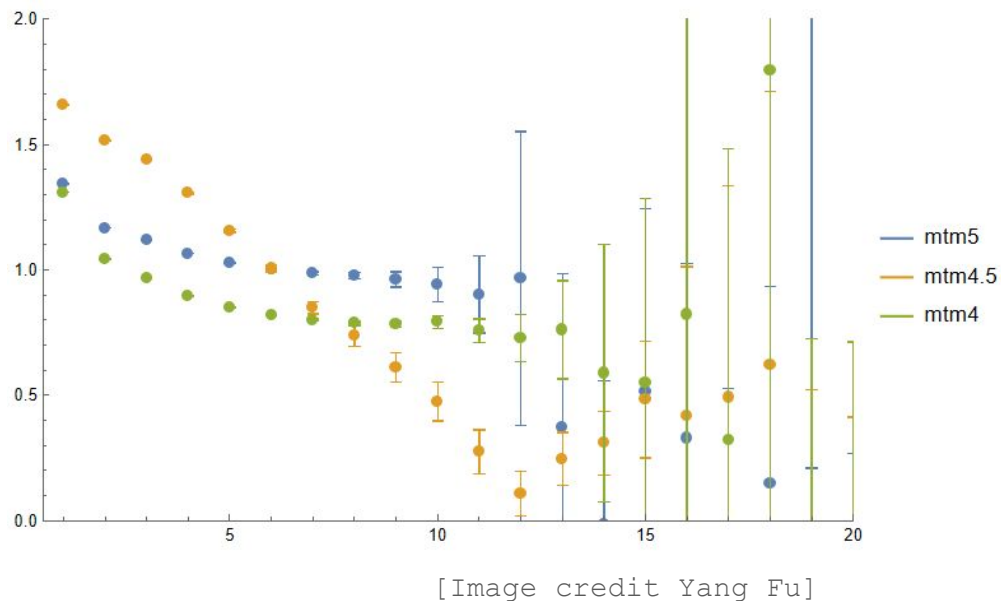


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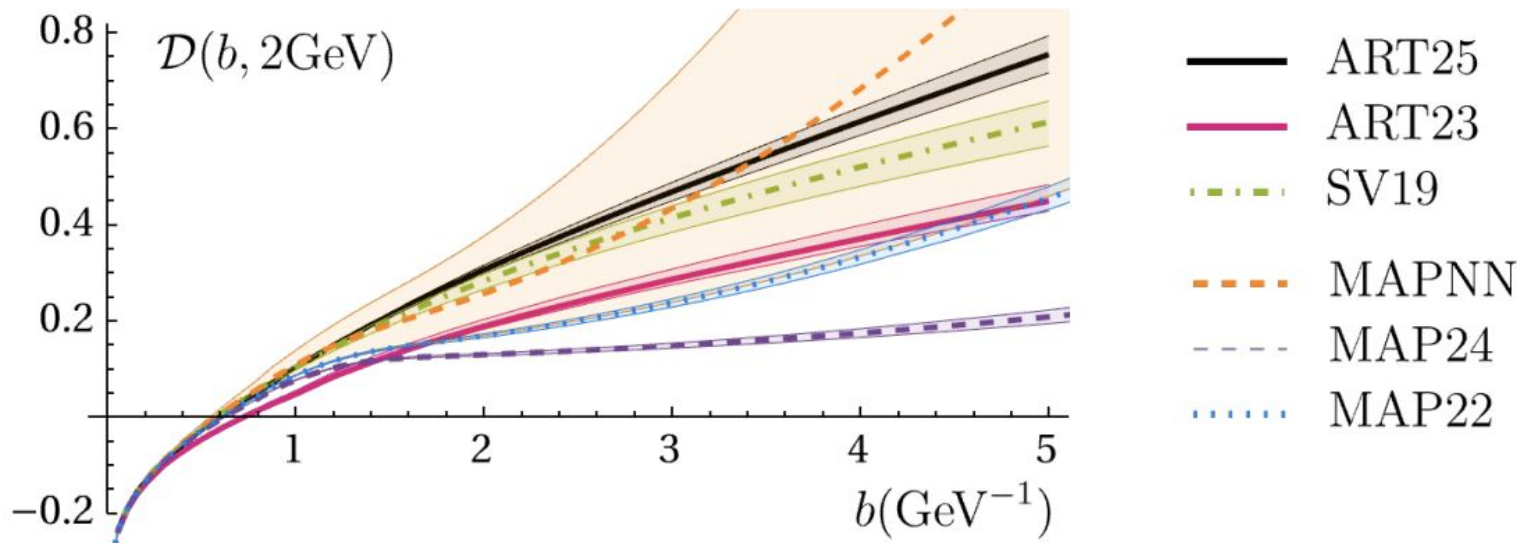


Reweighting to non-integer momenta

Noninteger momenta suffer from large finite-volume effects:



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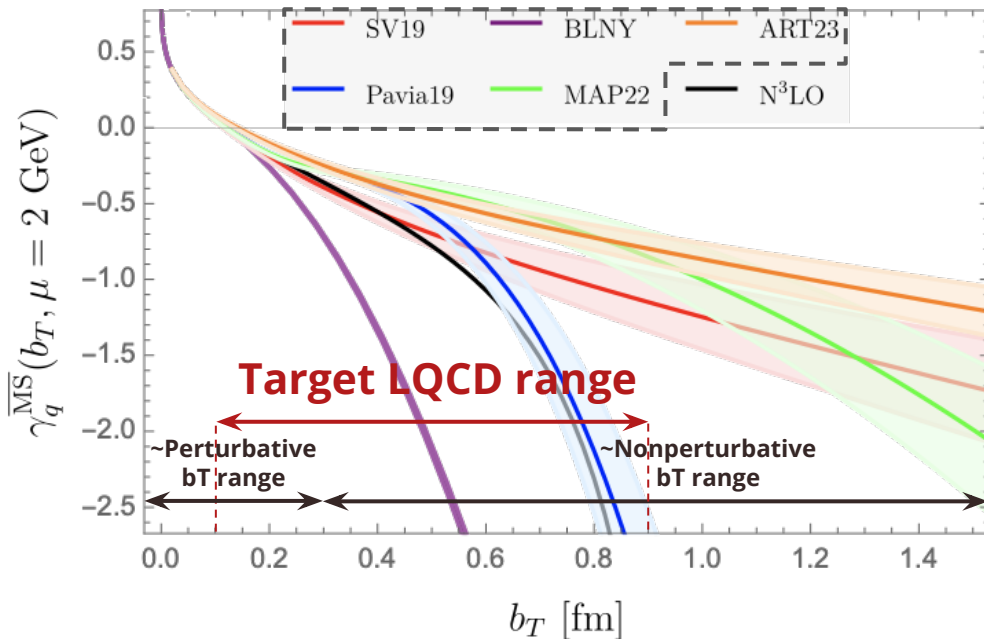
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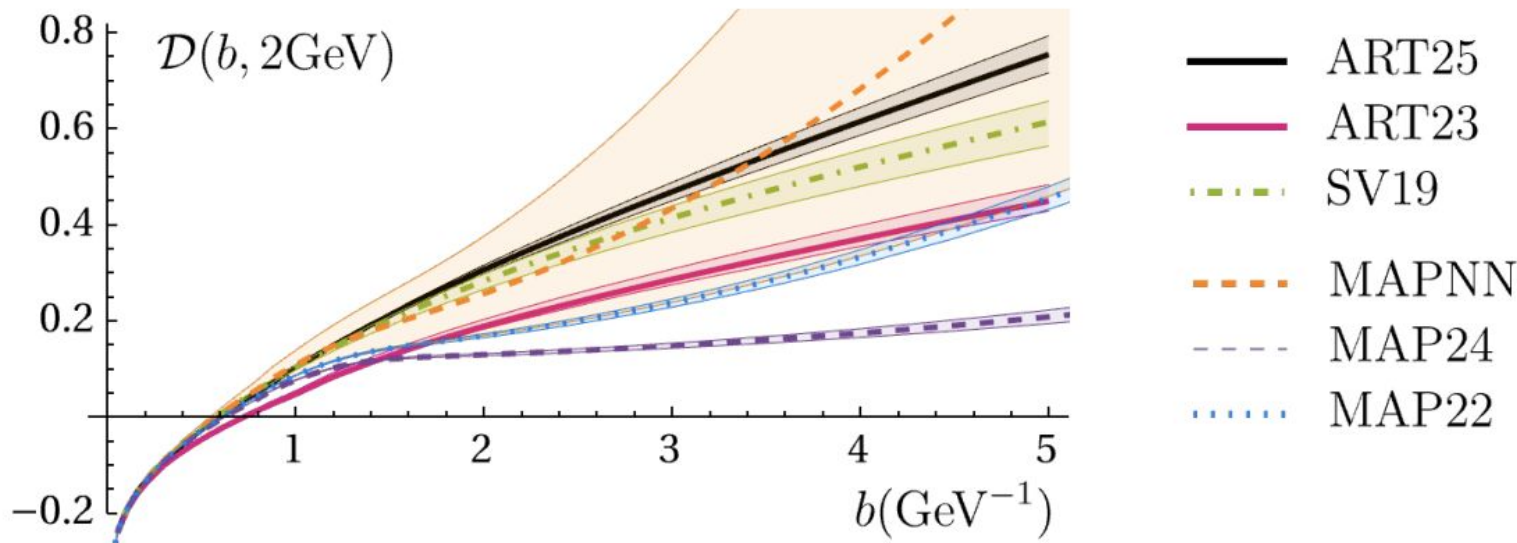


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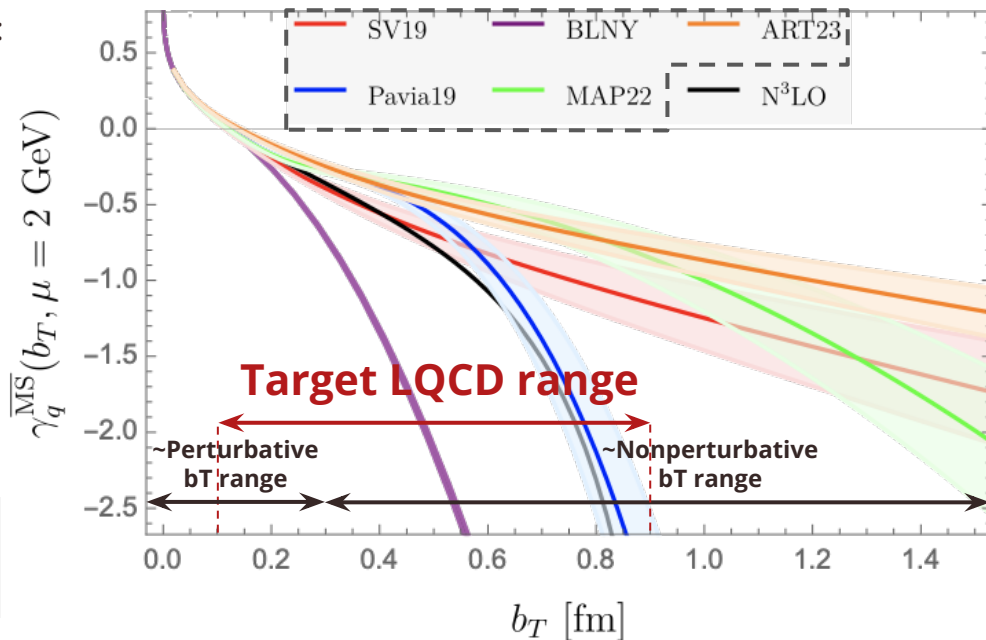
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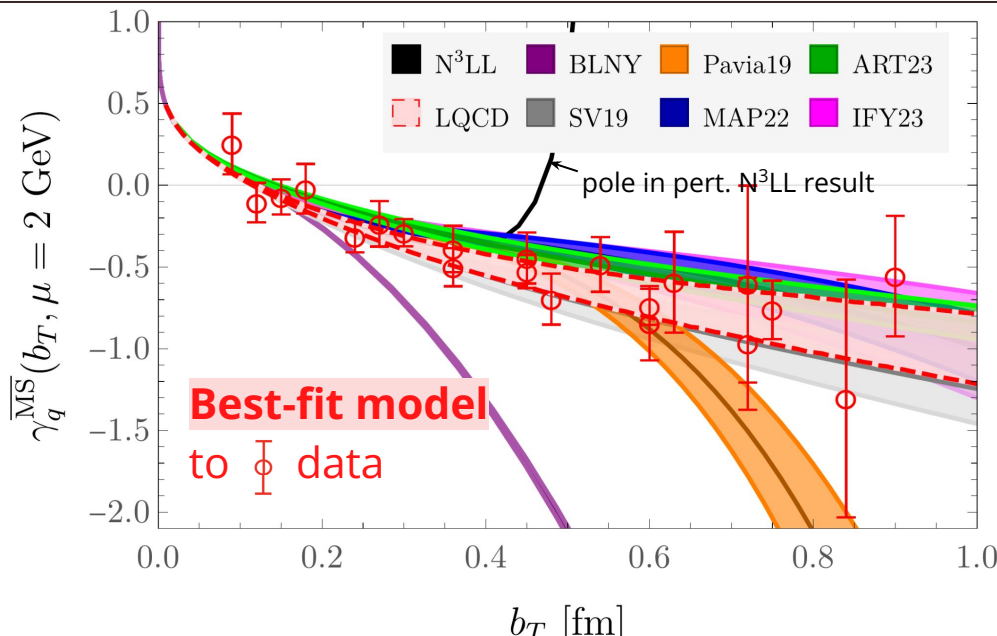
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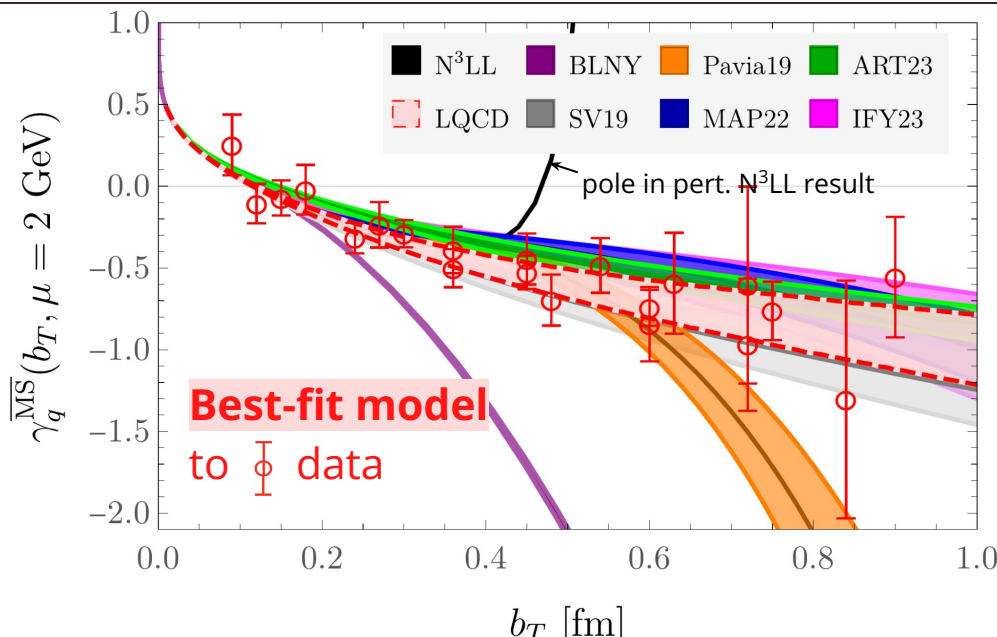
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