

# Pion-Nucleon Light-Cone Distribution Amplitudes

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# Outline

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# Why $\pi N$ DAs?

## 1 Deep Inelastic Pion-Electroproduction:

See recent articles:

- V. M. Braun, D. Y. Ivanov, A. Lenz and A. Peters, “Deep inelastic pion electroproduction at threshold,” Phys. Rev. D **75** (2007) 014021 [arXiv:hep-ph/0611386].
- J. P. Lansberg, B. Pire and L. Szymanowski, “Hard exclusive electroproduction of a pion in the backward region,” Phys. Rev. D **75** (2007) 074004 [arXiv:hep-ph/0701125].

## 2 Handle to learn more about nucleon DAs themselves

# Motivation

- Polyakov, Pobylitsa, Strikman 2006

$$|p \uparrow\rangle = \frac{\phi_s(x)}{\sqrt{6}} |2u_\uparrow d_\downarrow u_\uparrow - u_\uparrow u_\downarrow d_\uparrow - d_\uparrow u_\downarrow u_\uparrow\rangle + \frac{\phi_a(x)}{\sqrt{2}} |u_\uparrow u_\downarrow d_\uparrow - d_\uparrow u_\downarrow u_\uparrow\rangle$$

$$|p \uparrow \pi^0\rangle = \frac{\phi_s(x)}{2\sqrt{6}f_\pi} |6u_\uparrow d_\downarrow u_\uparrow + u_\uparrow u_\downarrow d_\uparrow + d_\uparrow u_\downarrow u_\uparrow\rangle - \frac{\phi_a(x)}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} |u_\uparrow u_\downarrow d_\uparrow - d_\uparrow u_\downarrow u_\uparrow\rangle$$

$$|n \uparrow \pi^+\rangle = \frac{\phi_s(x)}{\sqrt{12}f_\pi} |2u_\uparrow d_\downarrow u_\uparrow - 3u_\uparrow u_\downarrow d_\uparrow - 3d_\uparrow u_\downarrow u_\uparrow\rangle - \frac{\phi_a(x)}{2f_\pi} |u_\uparrow u_\downarrow d_\uparrow - d_\uparrow u_\downarrow u_\uparrow\rangle$$

- Rewrite in operator language
- Extend to higher twists

# Leading-Twist Nucleon DAs

- Three-quark matrix element:

$$4 \langle 0 | \varepsilon^{ijk} u_{\alpha}^i(\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{z}) u_{\beta}^j(\mathbf{a}_2 \mathbf{z}) d_{\gamma}^k(\mathbf{a}_3 \mathbf{z}) | p(P, \lambda) \rangle_{\text{twist-3}} = \\ V_1^p (v_1)_{\alpha\beta,\gamma} + A_1^p (a_1)_{\alpha\beta,\gamma} + T_1^p (t_1)_{\alpha\beta,\gamma}$$

with

$$(v_1)_{\alpha\beta,\gamma} = (\not{p} \mathbf{C})_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma_5 N^+)_{\gamma} \\ (a_1)_{\alpha\beta,\gamma} = (\not{p} \gamma_5 \mathbf{C})_{\alpha\beta} N_{\gamma}^+ \\ (t_1)_{\alpha\beta,\gamma} = (i \sigma_{\perp p} \mathbf{C})_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma^{\perp} \gamma_5 N^+)_{\gamma}$$

# Leading-Twist Nucleon DAs

- Symmetry between the two up quarks:

$$V_1(1, 2, 3) = V_1(2, 1, 3), \quad A_1(1, 2, 3) = -A_1(2, 1, 3)$$

- Isospin:

$$2T_1(1, 2, 3) = [V_1 - A_1](1, 3, 2) + [V_1 - A_1](2, 3, 1)$$

- In Brodsky notation  $V_1 = \phi_s(x)$  and  $A_1 = \phi_a(x)$
- $V_1, A_1$  can be expanded in contributions of operators with increasing conformal spin
- $\phi_N = [V_1 - A_1](1, 2, 3) = \text{Nucleon DA}$
- $T_1$  is not independent

# Leading-Twist Pion-Nucleon DAs

- Aim: Find a representation of  $V_1^{\pi N}$  etc. in terms of nucleon DAs
- Basic Ansatz:

$$4 \langle 0 | \varepsilon^{ijk} u_\alpha^i(\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{z}) u_\beta^j(\mathbf{a}_2 \mathbf{z}) d_\gamma^k(\mathbf{a}_3 \mathbf{z}) | \pi(k) N(P, \lambda) \rangle_{\text{twist-3}} =$$

$$-i/f_\pi (\gamma_5)_{\delta\gamma} \{ V_1^{\pi N}(\mathbf{v}_1)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + A_1^{\pi N}(\mathbf{a}_1)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + T_1^{\pi N}(\mathbf{t}_1)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} \}$$

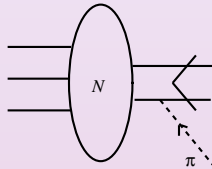
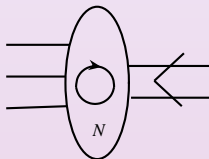
# Soft-Pion theorem: Basic concepts

Take the Soft-Pion Theorem (SPT):

$$\langle 0 | O | \pi^a(k) N_i(P, h) \rangle = -\frac{i}{f_\pi} \langle 0 | [Q_5^a, O] | N_i(P, h) \rangle +$$

Bremsstrahlungs contributions

$$Q_5^a = \int d^3x \bar{q}(x) \gamma_0 \gamma_5 \frac{\tau^a}{2} q(x)$$





# Leading-Twist Pion-Nucleon DAs

- For  $n\pi^+$  specify:

$$\langle 0 | O | \pi^+(k) n(P, h) \rangle = -\frac{i}{f_\pi} \langle 0 | [Q_5^+, O] | n(P, h) \rangle$$

- Define trilocal operator as:

$$O_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{uud} = \epsilon^{ijk} u_\alpha^i(a_1z) u_\beta^j(a_2z) d_\gamma^k(a_3z)$$

together with

$$[Q_5^1, O_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{uud}] = -\frac{1}{2} \{ (\gamma_5)_{\alpha\lambda} O_{\lambda\gamma\beta}^{ddu} + (\gamma_5)_{\beta\lambda} O_{\lambda\gamma\alpha}^{ddu} + (\gamma_5)_{\gamma\lambda} O_{\alpha\beta\lambda}^{uuu} \}$$

$$[Q_5^2, O_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{uud}] = \frac{i}{2} \{ (\gamma_5)_{\alpha\lambda} O_{\lambda\gamma\beta}^{ddu} + (\gamma_5)_{\beta\alpha} O_{\lambda\gamma\alpha}^{ddu} - (\gamma_5)_{\gamma\lambda} O_{\alpha\beta\lambda}^{uuu} \}$$

# Results for $n\pi^+$

The final comparison with the Ansatz leads us to:

$$V_1^{n\pi^+}(1, 2, 3) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ V_1^n(1, 3, 2) + V_1^n(1, 2, 3) + V_1^n(2, 3, 1) \right. \\ \left. + A_1^n(1, 3, 2) + A_1^n(2, 3, 1) \right\},$$

$$A_1^{n\pi^+}(1, 2, 3) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ V_1^n(3, 2, 1) - V_1^n(1, 3, 2) + A_1^n(2, 1, 3) \right. \\ \left. + A_1^n(2, 3, 1) + A_1^n(3, 1, 2) \right\},$$

$$T_1^{n\pi^+}(1, 2, 3) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left\{ A_1^n(2, 3, 1) + A_1^n(1, 3, 2) - V_1^n(2, 3, 1) \right. \\ \left. - V_1^n(1, 3, 2) \right\}.$$

# Results for $n\pi^+$

- The amplitudes have the natural symmetry property

$$V_1^{n\pi^+}(1, 2, 3) = V_1^{n\pi^+}(2, 1, 3), \quad A_1^{n\pi^+}(1, 2, 3) = -A_1^{n\pi^+}(2, 1, 3)$$

- They are always built nucleon DAs of the same twist
- But they do not fulfill the Isospin relation anymore as they contain both  $I = 1/2$  and  $I = 3/2$  contributions

# Results for $p\pi^0$

- The calculation for  $p\pi^0$  DAs is much easier as we do not need any Fierz transform

$$[Q_5^3, O_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{uud}] = -\frac{1}{2} \{ (\gamma_5)_{\alpha\lambda} O_{\lambda\beta\gamma}^{uud} + (\gamma_5)_{\beta\lambda} O_{\alpha\lambda\gamma}^{uud} - (\gamma_5)_{\gamma\lambda} O_{\alpha\beta\lambda}^{uud} \}$$

$$V_1^{p\pi^0}(1, 2, 3) = \frac{1}{2} V_1^p(1, 2, 3),$$

$$A_1^{p\pi^0}(1, 2, 3) = \frac{1}{2} A_1^p(1, 2, 3),$$

$$T_1^{p\pi^0}(1, 2, 3) = \frac{3}{2} T_1^p(1, 2, 3).$$

# Results for $p\pi^+$

- $p\pi^+$  DAs are built of  $n\pi^+$  DAs and nucleon DAs

$$O_{\alpha\gamma\beta}^{uuu} = \epsilon^{ijk} u_{\alpha}^i(\mathbf{a}_1\mathbf{z}) u_{\beta}^j(\mathbf{a}_2\mathbf{z}) u_{\gamma}^k(\mathbf{a}_3\mathbf{z})$$

$$[Q_5^1, O_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{uuu}(\mathbf{z})] = -\frac{1}{2} \left\{ (\gamma_5)_{\alpha\lambda} O_{\lambda\beta\gamma}^{duu}(\mathbf{z}) + (\gamma_5)_{\beta\lambda} O_{\alpha\lambda\gamma}^{udu}(\mathbf{z}) + (\gamma_5)_{\gamma\lambda} O_{\alpha\beta\lambda}^{uud}(\mathbf{z}) \right\}$$

$$[Q_5^2, O_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{uuu}(\mathbf{z})] = \frac{i}{2} \left\{ (\gamma_5)_{\alpha\lambda} O_{\lambda\beta\gamma}^{duu}(\mathbf{z}) + (\gamma_5)_{\beta\lambda} O_{\alpha\lambda\gamma}^{udu}(\mathbf{z}) + (\gamma_5)_{\gamma\lambda} O_{\alpha\beta\lambda}^{uud}(\mathbf{z}) \right\}$$

$$V_i^{\rho\pi^+} = \pm V_i^{n\pi^+} + V_i^{\rho}, \quad A_1 \text{ and } T_1 \text{ similar}$$

# Higher Twists

- General Definition of Higher Twists

$$4 \cdot \langle 0 | \varepsilon^{ijk} u_{\alpha}^i(\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{z}) u_{\beta}^j(\mathbf{a}_2 \mathbf{z}) d_{\gamma}^k(\mathbf{a}_3 \mathbf{z}) | N(P, \lambda) \pi(k) \rangle = -(\gamma_5)_{\gamma\delta} \frac{i}{f_{\pi}} \left[ \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{S}_1^{\pi N}(\mathbf{s}_1)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{S}_2^{\pi N}(\mathbf{s}_2)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{P}_1^{\pi N}(\mathbf{p}_1)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{P}_2^{\pi N}(\mathbf{p}_2)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} \\ & + \mathbf{V}_1^{\pi N}(\mathbf{v}_1)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{V}_2^{\pi N}(\mathbf{v}_2)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{V}_3^{\pi N}(\mathbf{v}_3)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{V}_4^{\pi N}(\mathbf{v}_4)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} \\ & + \mathbf{V}_5^{\pi N}(\mathbf{v}_5)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{V}_6^{\pi N}(\mathbf{v}_6)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{A}_1^{\pi N}(\mathbf{a}_1)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{A}_2^{\pi N}(\mathbf{a}_2)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} \\ & + \mathbf{A}_3^{\pi N}(\mathbf{a}_3)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{A}_4^{\pi N}(\mathbf{a}_4)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{A}_5^{\pi N}(\mathbf{a}_5)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{A}_6^{\pi N}(\mathbf{a}_6)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} \\ & + \mathbf{T}_1^{\pi N}(\mathbf{t}_1)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{T}_2^{\pi N}(\mathbf{t}_2)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{T}_3^{\pi N}(\mathbf{t}_3)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{T}_4^{\pi N}(\mathbf{t}_4)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} \\ & + \mathbf{T}_5^{\pi N}(\mathbf{t}_5)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \mathbf{T}_6^{\pi N}(\mathbf{t}_6)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{T}_7^{\pi N}(\mathbf{t}_7)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{T}_8^{\pi N}(\mathbf{t}_8)_{\alpha\beta,\delta} \left. \right]. \end{aligned}$$

- Higher twist calculation follows the same procedure but much more extensive
- $x^2$ -corrections can also be calculated

# Summary

- We defined a trilocal Operator  $O$  and made use of the SPT to calculate  $\pi N$  DAs
- We obtained  $\pi N$  DAs which have the natural symmetry property. They are expressed in terms of nucleon DAs having the same twist

# Outlook

- Apply to deep inelastic Pion Electroproduction (see talk of V.Braun)
- etc. ...

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