Hadron Properties in Continuum Strong QCD

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The Challenge of QCD



- QCD is the only known example in nature of a fundamental quantum field theory that is innately non-perturbative
 - *a priori* no idea what such a theory can produce
 - Solving QCD will have profound implications for our understanding of the natural world
 - e.g. it will explain how massless gluons and light quarks bind together to form hadrons, and thereby explain the origin of $\sim 98\%$ of the mass in the visible universe
 - given QCDs complexity, the best promise for progress is a strong interplay between experiment and theory
- QCD is characterized by two emergent phenomena:
 - confinement & dynamical chiral symmetry breaking (DCSB)
 - a world without DCSB would be profoundly different, e.g. $m_{\pi} \sim m_{\rho}$
- Must discover the origin of confinement, its relationship to DCSB and understand how these phenomenon influence hadronic obserables

Meeting this Challenge – QCDs Dyson–Schwinger Eqns



- The equations of motion of QCD \iff QCDs Dyson–Schwinger equations
 - an infinite tower of coupled integral equations
 - must implement a symmetry preserving truncation
- The most important DSE is QCDs gap equation \implies quark propagator



• ingredients - dressed gluon propagator & dressed quark-gluon vertex

$$S(p) = \frac{Z(p^2)}{i \not p + M(p^2)}$$

- S(p) has correct perturbative limit
- mass function, $M(p^2)$, exhibits dynamical mass generation
- o complex conjugate poles
 ⇒ no mass shell ⇒ confinement



Pion's (valence quark) Distribution Amplitude

- pion's DA $\varphi_{\pi}(x)$: is a probability amplitude that describes the momentum distribution of a quark and antiquark in the bound-state's valence Fock state
 - it's a function of the Bjorken scaling variable $x = \frac{k^+}{p^+}$ and the scale Q^2
- In QCD the pion's DA it is defined by

$$f_{\pi} \,\varphi_{\pi}(x) = Z_2 \,\int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^2} \,\delta\left(k^+ - x \,p^+\right) \operatorname{Tr}\left[\gamma^+ \gamma_5 \,S(k) \,\Gamma_{\pi}(k,p) \,S(k-p)\right]$$

• $S(k) \Gamma_{\pi}(k,p) S(k-p)$ is the pion's Bethe-Salpeter wave function

- in the non-relativistic limit it corresponds to the Schrodinger wave function
- φ_π(x): is the axial-vector projection of the pion's Bethe-Salpeter wave function onto light front
- PDA is interesting because it is calculable in perturbative QCD and, for example, in this regime governs the Q² dependence of the pion form factor

$$Q^2 F_{\pi}(Q^2) \xrightarrow{Q^2 \to \infty} 16 \pi f_{\pi}^2 \alpha_s(Q^2) \qquad \Longleftrightarrow \qquad \varphi_{\pi}^{\text{asy}}(x) = 6 x (1-x)$$

Pion DA in DSEs





Both DSE results, each using a different Bethe-Salpeter kernel, exhibit a pronounced broadening compared with the asymptotic pion DA

- scale of calculation is given by renormalization point $\zeta = 2 \,\text{GeV}$
- Broading of the pion's DA is directly linked to DCSB
 - if there is no DCSB, DSEs give $\varphi_{\pi}^{asy}(x) = 6 x (1-x)$
- As we shall see the dilation of pion's DA will influence the Q^2 evolution of the pion's electromagnetic form factor, which is measurable at JLab

Pion DA from lattice QCD





Standard practice to fit first coefficient of "asymptotic expansion" to moment

$$\varphi_{\pi}(x,Q^2) = 6 x (1-x) \left[1 + \sum_{n=2,4,\dots} a_n^{3/2}(Q^2) C_n^{3/2}(2x-1) \right]$$

- however this expansion is guaranteed to converge rapidly only when $Q^2
 ightarrow \infty$
- this procedure results in a *double-humped* pion DA
- Advocate using a generalized expansion

$$\varphi_{\pi}(x,Q^2) = N_{\alpha} x^{\alpha - 1/2} (1-x)^{\alpha - 1/2} \left[1 + \sum_{n=2, 4, \dots} a_n^{\alpha}(Q^2) C_n^{\alpha}(2x-1) \right]$$

• Find
$$\varphi_{\pi} \simeq x^{\alpha} (1-x)^{\alpha}$$
, $\alpha = 0.35^{+0.32}_{-0.24}$; good agreement with DSE: $\alpha \simeq 0.30$

When is the Pion's DA Asymptotic





• Under leading order Q^2 evolution the pion DA remains broad to well above $Q^2 > 100 \text{ GeV}^2$, compared with $\varphi_{\pi}^{\text{asy}}(x) = 6 x (1 - x)$

- Consequently, the asymptotic form of the pion DA is a poor approximation at all energy scales that are either currently accessible or foreseeable in experiments on pion elastic and transition form factors
- Importantly, $\varphi_{\pi}^{\text{asy}}(x)$ can only be an accurate approximation to $\varphi_{\pi}(x)$ when the pion valence quark PDF is proportional to a delta function: $q_v^{\pi}(x) \sim \delta(x)$
- This is far from valid at forseeable energy scales



Pion Elastic Form Factor

- Extended the pre-experiment DSE prediction to Q² > 4 GeV²
- Predict maximum at Q² ≈ 6 GeV², lies within domain accessible at JLab12
 - Comparison with perturbative QCD?
- The QCD prediction can be expressed as

$$Q^{2}F_{\pi}(Q^{2}) \overset{Q^{2} \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{2}}{\sim} 16 \pi f_{\pi}^{2} \alpha_{s}(Q^{2}) \boldsymbol{w}_{\pi}^{2}; \qquad \boldsymbol{w}_{\pi} = \frac{1}{3} \int_{0}^{1} dx \, \frac{1}{x} \, \varphi_{\pi}(x)$$

- Using $\varphi_{\pi}^{asy}(x)$ significantly underestimates experiment
- Within DSEs there is consistency between the direct pion form factor calculation and that obtained using the DSE pion DA
 - slight disagreement likely explained by a combination of higher order, higher-twist corrections and shortcomings of rainbow-ladder truncation





Structure of Baryons



- In QFT baryons appear as poles in 6-point Green functions
- This scattering amplitude is the solution to a Poincaré covariant Faddeev equation, which sums all possible interactions between the three quarks
 - traceable solution via observation that an interaction which produces colour singlet mesons must also generate (nonpointlike) diquark correlations in colour 3 channel



- diquark correlations are not inserted by hand, such correlations are a dynamical consequence of strong coupling in QCD
- they are also directly related to DCSB, as this single mechanism produces both the almost massless pion and strong scalar-diquark correlations
- For the nucleon the most important diquark correlations are in the scalar $(J^P = 0^+, T = 0)$ and axial-vector $(J^P = 1^+, T = 1)$ channels
 - in the rest frame the nucleon wave function contains s, p & d wave components
 - this has important implications for the nucleon spin sum

Nucleon Electromagnetic Form Factors



- Elastic form factors provide information on the *momentum space* distribution of charge and magnetization within the nucleon
- Accurate form factor measurements are creating a paradigm shift in our understanding of hadron structure; e.g.
 - proton radius puzzle, $\mu_p G_{Ep}/G_{Mp}$ ratio and a possible zero in G_{Ep}
 - flavour decomposition and diquark correlations
 - tests perturbation QCD scaling predictions
- In the DSEs the nucleon current is given by:



- Feedback with experiment can constrain DSE quark-gluon vertex
- Solution Knowledge of quark–gluon vertex provides $\alpha_s(Q^2)$ within DSEs
 - also gives the β -function which may shed light on confinement



 Latest results include effect from anomalous chromomagnetic moment term in the quark–gluon vertex

• generates large anomalous electromagnetic term in quark-photon vertex

• Quark anomalous magnetic moment required for good agreement with data

- important for low to moderate Q^2
- For massless quarks anomalous chromomagnetic moment is only possible via DSCB
- Discrepancy at low Q^2 is alleviated by including the ρ and ω contributions to quark-photon vertex

Proton G_E form factor and **DCSB**





Find that slight changes in M(p) on the domain $1 \leq p \leq 3$ GeV have a striking effect on the G_E/G_M proton form factor ratio

- position of zero, or lack thereof, in G_E is extremely sensitive to underlying quark-gluon dynamics
- Zero in $G_E = F_1 \frac{Q^2}{4M_W^2} F_2$ largely determined by evolution of $Q^2 F_2$
 - F₂ is sensitive to DCSB through the dynamically generated quark anomalous magnetic moment
 - the quicker the perturbative regime is reached the quicker $F_2 \rightarrow 0$

Quarks and Nuclei – The EMC effect



- An important motivation for this work remains the discovery of the *EMC effect* at CERN in 1983
- The European Muon Collaboration (EMC) conducted DIS experiments on an iron target
 - J. J. Aubert *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B **123**, 275 (1983)



"The results are in complete disagreement with the calculations ... We are not aware of any published detailed prediction presently available which can explain behavior of these data."

- Measurement of the *EMC effect* destroyed a particle-physics paradigm regarding QCD and nuclear structure
 - more than 30 years after discovery broad consensus on explanation is lacking
 - what is certain: valence quarks in nucleus carry less momentum than in a nucleon

• One of the most important nuclear structure discoveries since advent of QCD

• understanding its origin is critical for a QCD based description of nuclei

Quarks and Nuclei







$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{m_G^2}} \,\, \Theta(\Lambda^2 - k^2)$$

- this is just a modern interpretation of the Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (NJL) model
- model is a Lagrangian based covariant QFT, exhibits dynamical chiral symmetry breaking & quark confinement; elements can be related back to QCD via the DSEs
- For nuclei, we find that quarks bind together into color singlet nucleons
 - however contrary to traditional nuclear physics approaches these quarks feel the presence of the nuclear environment
 - as a consequence bound nucleons are modified by the nuclear medium



- Modification of the bound nucleon wave function by the nuclear medium is a *natural consequence* of quark level approaches to nuclear structure
- These studies provide a complementary approach to more traditional nuclear physics research (e.g. GFMC)

Nucleon quark distributions



• Nucleon = quark+diquark • PDFs given by Feynman diagrams: $\langle \gamma^+ \rangle$



Ovariant, correct support; satisfies sum rules, Soffer bound & positivity

 $\langle q(x) - \bar{q}(x) \rangle = N_q, \ \langle x u(x) + x d(x) + \ldots \rangle = 1, \ |\Delta q(x)|, \ |\Delta_T q(x)| \leqslant q(x)$

• q(x): probability strike quark of favor q with momentum fraction x of target



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Nucleon transversity quark distributions





$$g_T = \int dx \left[\Delta_T u(x) - \Delta_T d(x) \right]$$

- Non-relativistically: $\Delta_T q(x) = \Delta q(x) a$ measure of relativistic effects
- Helicity conservation: no mixing bet'n $\Delta_T q \& \Delta_T g$: $J \leq \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \Delta_T g(x) = 0$
- Therefore for the nucleon $\Delta_T q(x)$ is valence quark dominated

• At model scale we find: $g_T = 1.28$ compare $g_A = 1.267$ (input)



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Transverse Momentum Dependent PDFs



Measured in semi-inclusive DIS

- $A = P, S = P_X$
- Leading twist 6 T-even TMD PDFs

$$\begin{array}{ll} q(x,k_{\perp}^{2}), \ \ \Delta q(x,k_{\perp}^{2}), \ \ \Delta_{T}q(x,k_{\perp}^{2}) \\ g_{1T}^{q}(x,k_{\perp}^{2}), \ \ h_{1L}^{\perp q}(x,k_{\perp}^{2}), \ \ h_{1T}^{\perp q}(x,k_{\perp}^{2}) \end{array}$$

$$\left< p_T \right> (x) \equiv \frac{\int d\vec{k}_\perp \, k_\perp \, q(x,k_\perp^2)}{\int d\vec{k}_\perp \, q(x,k_\perp^2)}$$

[H. Avakian, et al., Phy. Rev. D81, 074035 (2010)]

•
$$\langle p_T \rangle^{Q^2 = Q_0^2} = 0.36 \,\text{GeV}$$
 c.f. $\langle p_T \rangle_{\text{Gauss}} = 0.56 \,\text{GeV}$ [hermes], $0.64 \,\text{GeV}$ [emc]



[H. H. Matevosyan, ICC et al., Phys. Rev. D 85, 014021 (2012)]

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Isovector EMC effect & the NuTeV Anomaly



Model provides a natural explanation of the EMC effect

- Predicts that isovector nuclear forces result in a large quark flavor dependence of the EMC effect
 - parity-violating DIS experiments at JLab are sensitive to this flavor dependence
- Evidence for a flavor dependence of the EMC effect may already exist from the NuTeV measurement of $\sin^2 \theta_W$ (weak mixing angle) [iron target]
 - NuTeV result disagrees with the Standard Model by $3\sigma \iff$ NuTeV anomaly
- Corrections from the EMC effect $(\sim 1.5 \sigma)$ and charge symmetry violation $(\sim 1.5 \sigma)$ brings NuTeV result into agreement with the Standard Model

Conclusion



- Both DSEs and lattice QCD agree that the pion DA is significantly broader than the asymptotic result
 - using LO evolution find dilation remains significant for $Q^2 > 100 \,{\rm GeV}^2$
 - strictly the asymptotic form of the pion DA is only valid when $q_v^{\pi}(x) \propto \delta(x)$
- Anomalous chromomagnetic moment generates large anomalous EM moment; essential for agreement with nucleon form factor data in DSEs
- An interplay between experiment and DSE theory, focusing on nucleon (transition) form factors, can shed further light on the quark–gluon vertex
- Highlight the importance of understanding the EMC effect as a critical step towards a QCD based description of nuclei
- EMC effect and NuTeV anomaly are interpreted as evidence for medium modification of the bound nucleon wavefunction
 - predictions will be tested using PV DIS
- Using W^{\pm} exchange an EIC is an excellent tool to unravel the quark flavour sector contributions to nucleon and nuclear structure
 - provided, of course, it can make measurements in the valence quark region

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