

Progress in Applications of Basis Light-Front Quantization to QED and QCD

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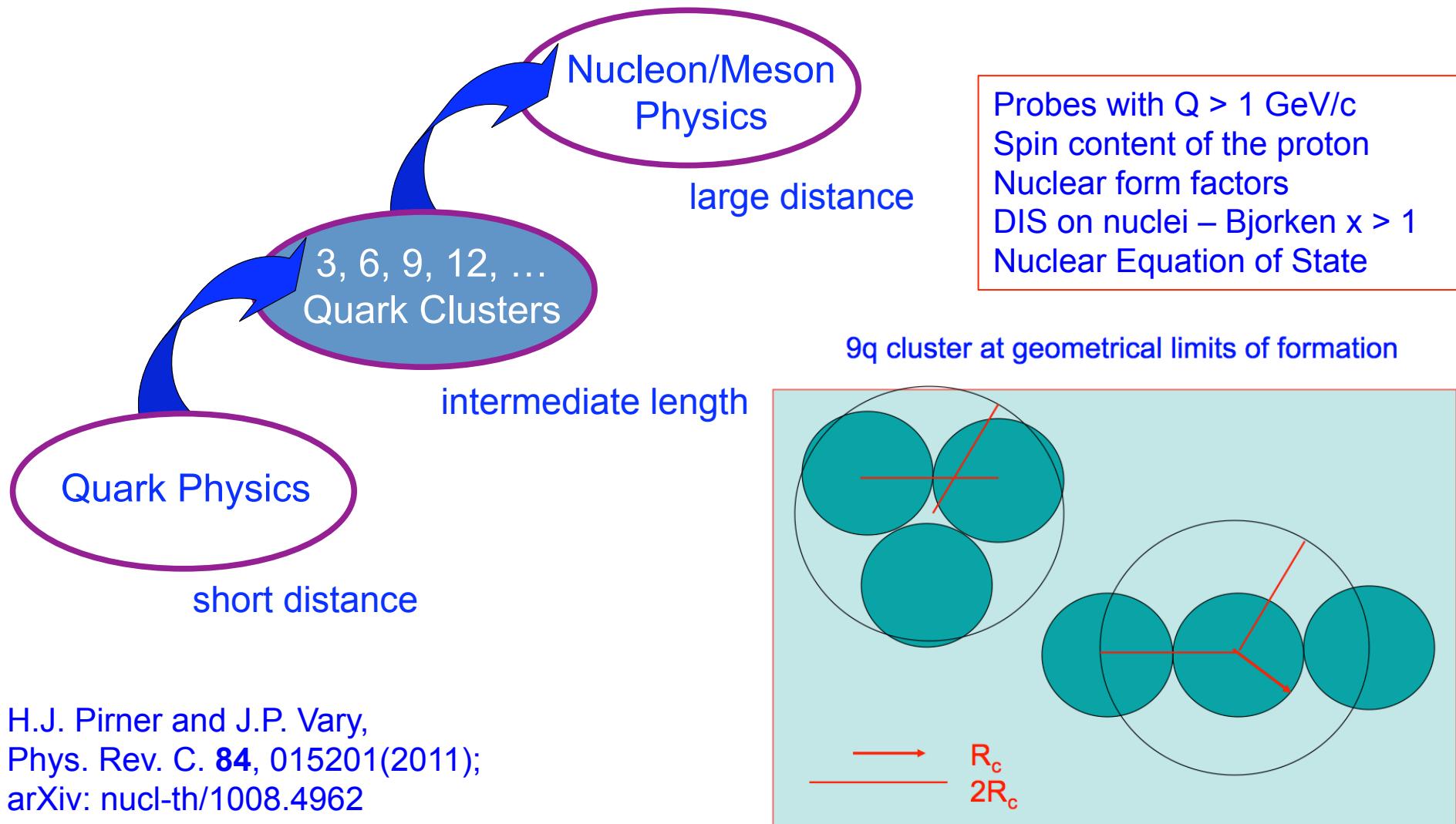
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Under what conditions do we require a quark-based description on nuclear structure?

“Quark Percolation in Cold and Hot Nuclei”



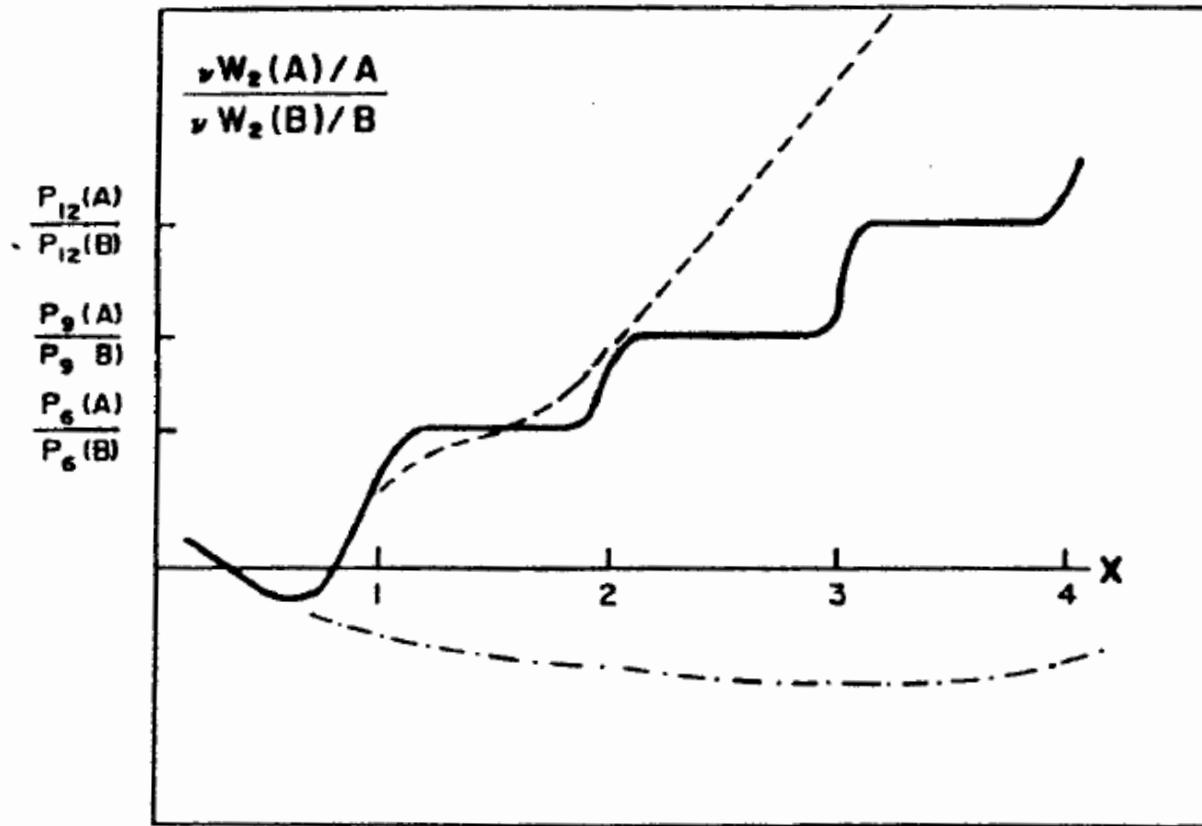
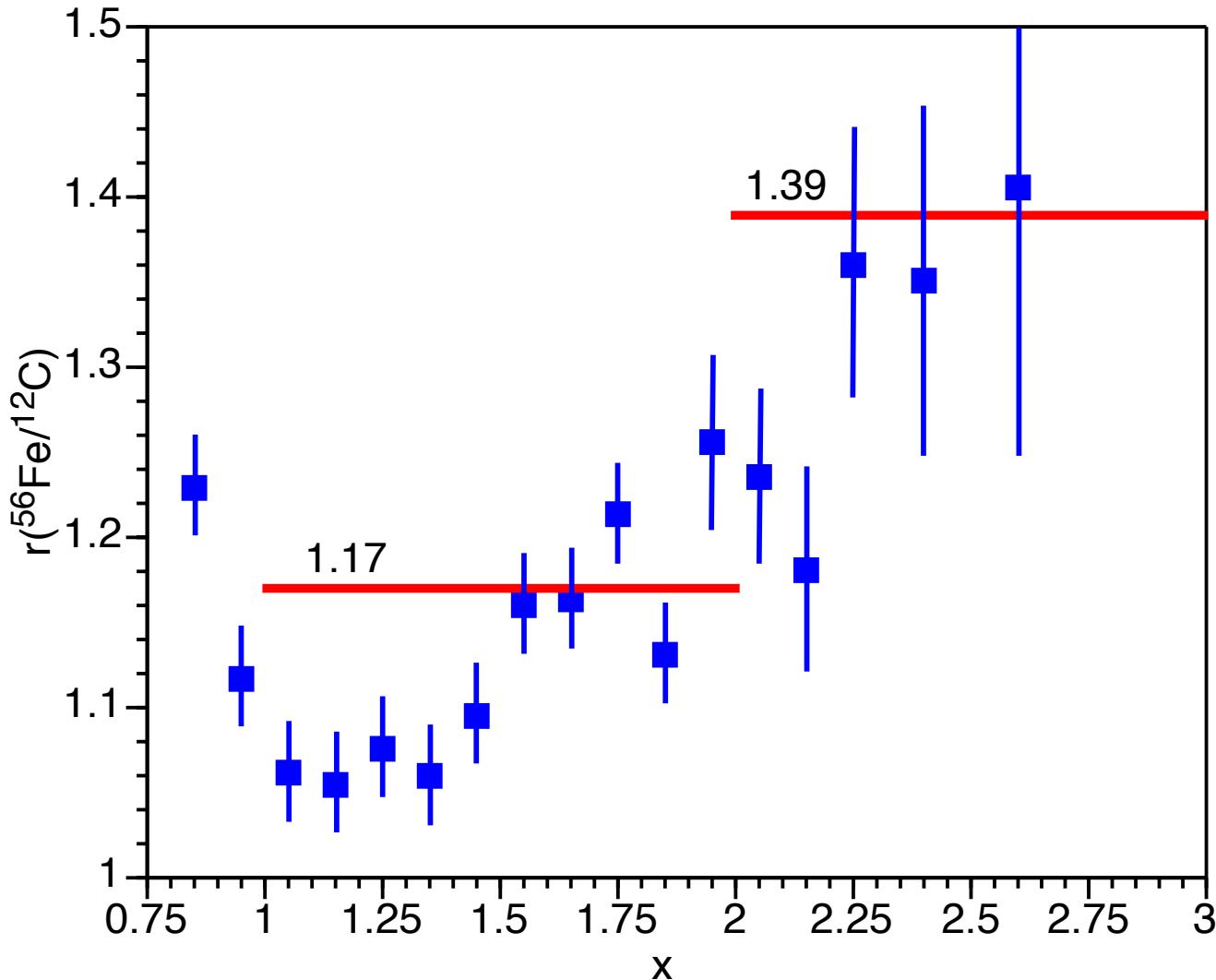


Fig. 2. Characteristic behaviour of the ratio of nuclear structure functions per nucleon for different models over a wide kinematic range of x . The QCM gives the solid curve. The dashed curve is due to the model of reference 22. The dashed-dot curve approximates the predictions of references 23 and 24.

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 "Quark Cluster Model of Nuclei and Lepton Scattering Results,"
 Multiquark Interactions and Quantum Chromodynamics, V.V. Burov, Ed.,
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See also: Proceedings of HUGS at CEBAF1992, & many conf. proceedings

Comparison between Quark-Cluster Model and JLAB data



Data: K.S. Egiyan, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **96**, 082501 (2006)

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New Measurements of High-Momentum Nucleons and Short-Range Structures in Nuclei

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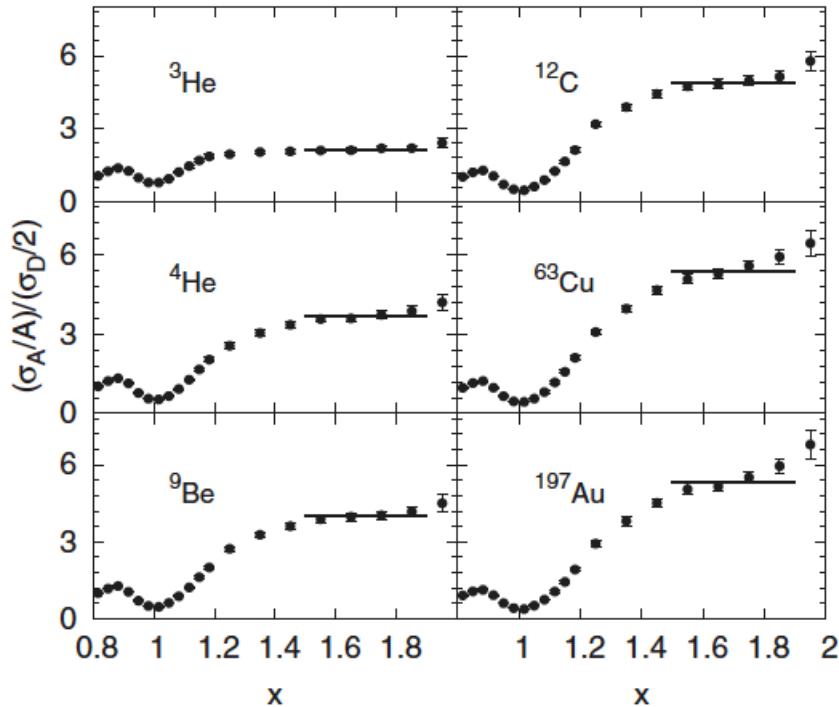


FIG. 2. Pernucleon cross section ratios vs x at $\theta_e = 18^\circ$.

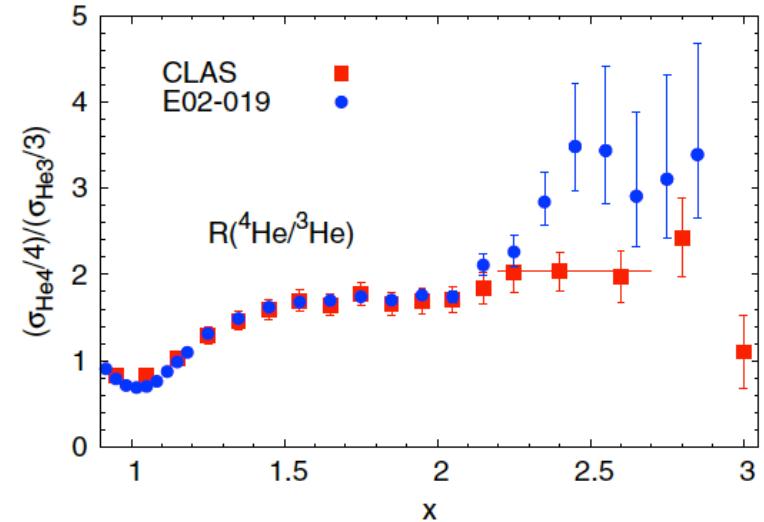
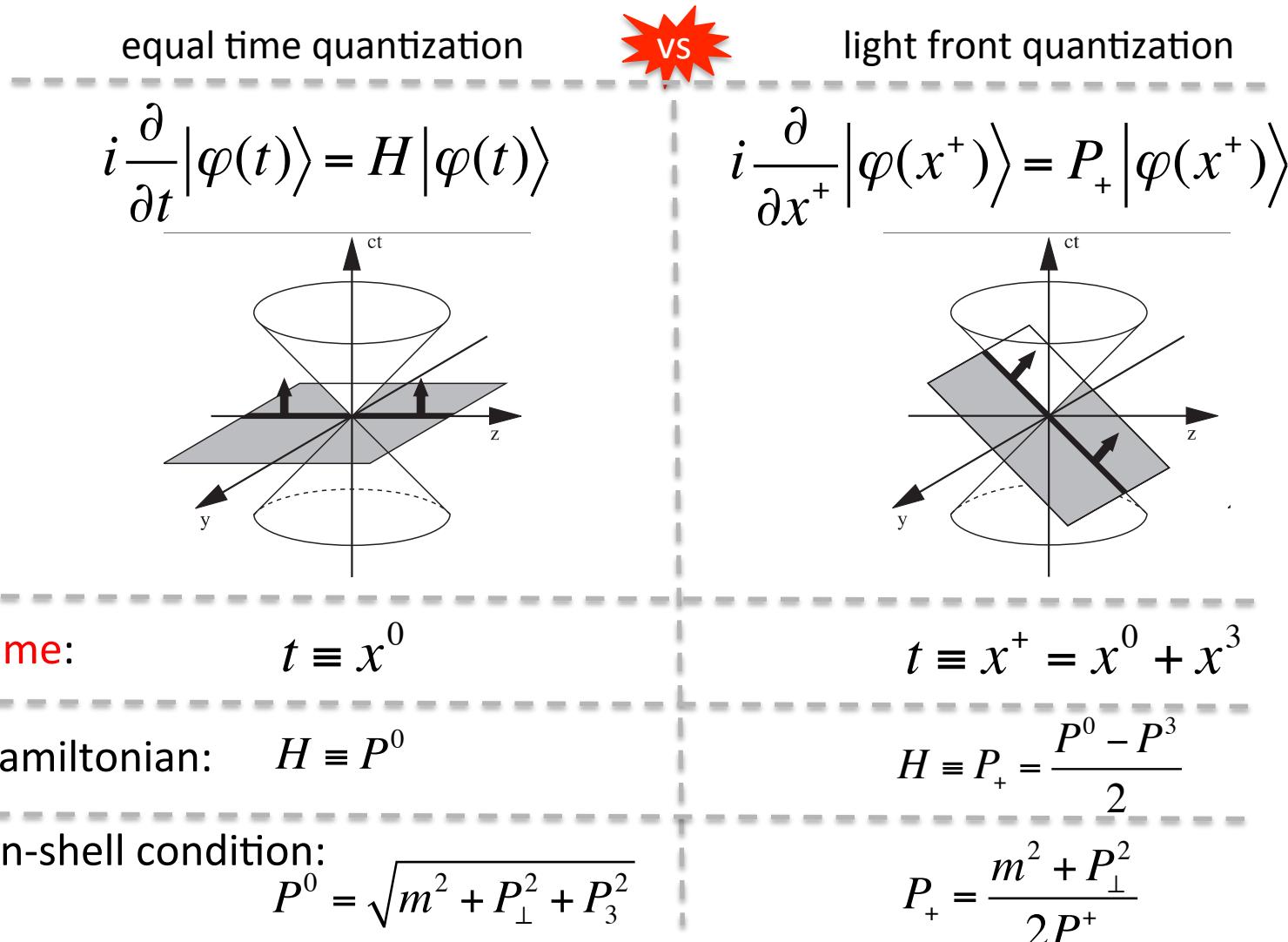


FIG. 3 (color online). The ${}^4\text{He}/{}^3\text{He}$ ratios from E02-019 ($Q^2 \approx 2.9 \text{ GeV}^2$) and CLAS ($\langle Q^2 \rangle \approx 1.6 \text{ GeV}^2$); errors are combined statistical and systematic uncertainties. For $x > 2.2$, the uncertainties in the ${}^3\text{He}$ cross section are large enough that a one-sigma variation of these results yields an asymmetric error band in the ratio. The error bars shown for this region represent the central 68% confidence level region.

Basis Light-Front Quantization Approach

[Dirac 1949]

- Basic idea: solve generalized wave eq. for quantum field evolution



Discretized Light Cone Quantization

Pauli & Brodsky c1985



Basis Light Front Quantization*

$$\phi(\vec{x}) = \sum_{\alpha} [f_{\alpha}(\vec{x}) a_{\alpha}^{+} + f_{\alpha}^{*}(\vec{x}) a_{\alpha}]$$

where $\{a_{\alpha}\}$ satisfy usual (anti-) commutation rules.

Furthermore, $f_{\alpha}(\vec{x})$ are arbitrary except for conditions:

Orthonormal: $\int f_{\alpha}(\vec{x}) f_{\alpha'}^{*}(\vec{x}) d^3x = \delta_{\alpha\alpha'}$

Complete: $\sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\vec{x}) f_{\alpha}^{*}(\vec{x}') = \delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{x}')$

=> Wide range of choices for $f_{\alpha}(\vec{x})$ and our initial choice is

$$f_{\alpha}(\vec{x}) = N e^{ik^{+}x^{-}} \Psi_{n,m}(\rho, \varphi) = N e^{ik^{+}x^{-}} f_{n,m}(\rho) \chi_m(\varphi)$$

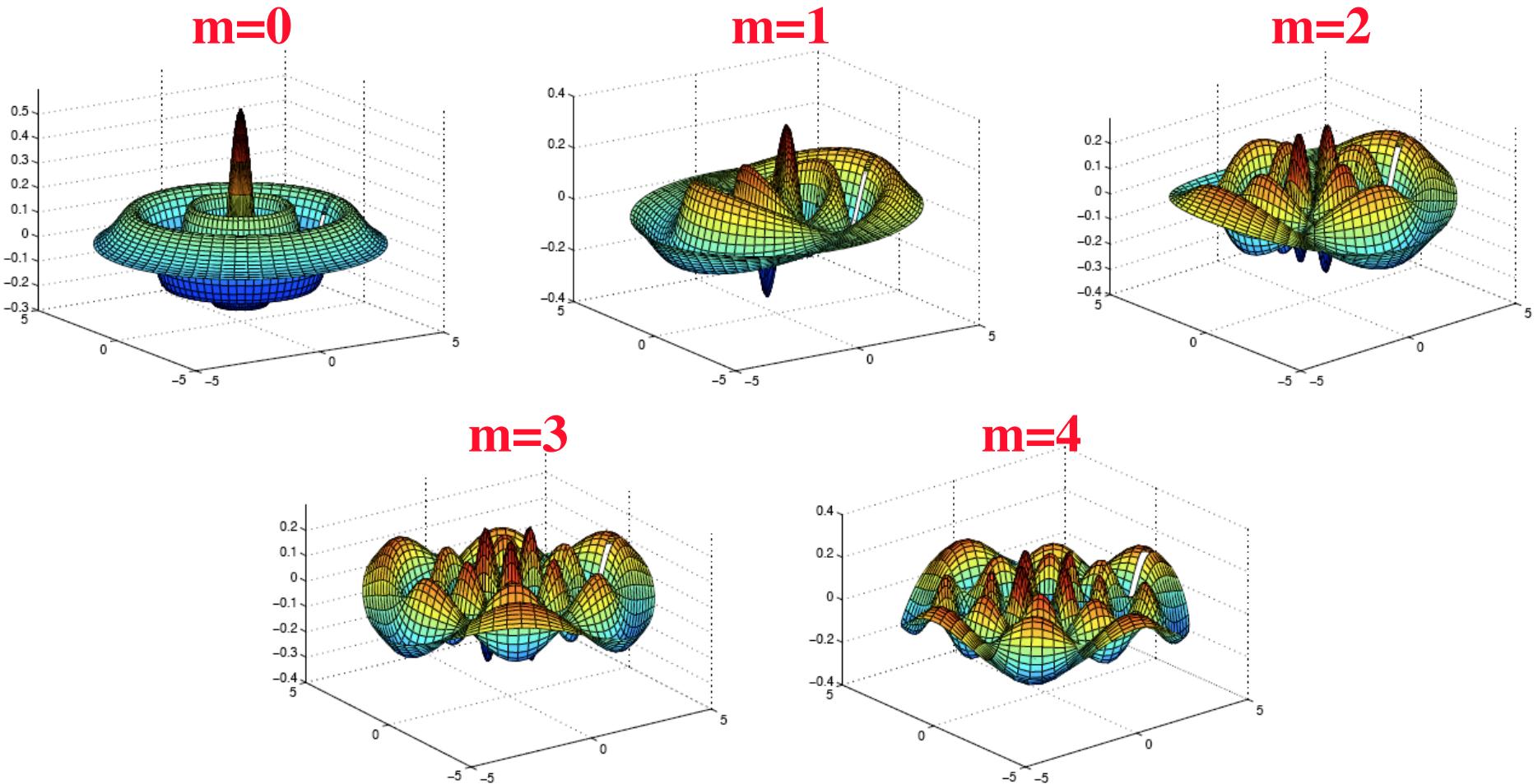
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Basis Functions

[Vary et al '10, Honkanen et al '11]

- Optimal basis is the key to numerical efficiency
- Optimal basis reflects the **symmetries** of the underlying theory
- Multi-particle basis is set up by Fock sector expansion
 - e.g., $|e_{\text{physical}}\rangle = a|e\rangle + b|e\gamma\rangle + c|e\gamma\gamma\rangle + d|e\gamma e\bar{e}\rangle + \dots$
- For individual particles in each Fock sector
 - plane wave basis for longitudinal ($x^- \equiv x^0 - x^3$) direction
 - **2D harmonic oscillator** basis for transverse (x^1, x^2) directions
 - reflect the rotational symmetry of QED, QCD... in the transverse plane

Set of transverse 2D HO modes for n=4



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Steps to implement BLFQ

- Enumerate Fock-space basis subject to symmetry constraints
- Evaluate/renormalize/store H in that basis
- Diagonalize (Lanczos)
- Iterate previous two steps for sector-dep. renormalization
- Evaluate observables using eigenvectors (LF amplitudes)
- Repeat previous 4 steps for new regulator(s)
- Extrapolate to infinite matrix limit & remove all regulators
- Compare with experiment or predict new experimental results

Above achieved for QED test case – electron in a trap

H. Honkanen, P. Maris, J.P. Vary, S.J. Brodsky,

Phys. Rev. Lett. 106, 061603 (2011)

Improvements: trap independence, (m,e) renormalization, . . .

X. Zhao, H. Honkanen, P. Maris, J.P. Vary, S.J. Brodsky, in prep'n

Symmetries & Constraints

$$\sum_i b_i = B$$

$$\sum_i e_i = Q$$

$$\sum_i (m_i + s_i) = J_z$$

$$\sum_i k_i = K$$

$$\sum_i [2n_i + |m_i| + 1] \leq N_{\max}$$

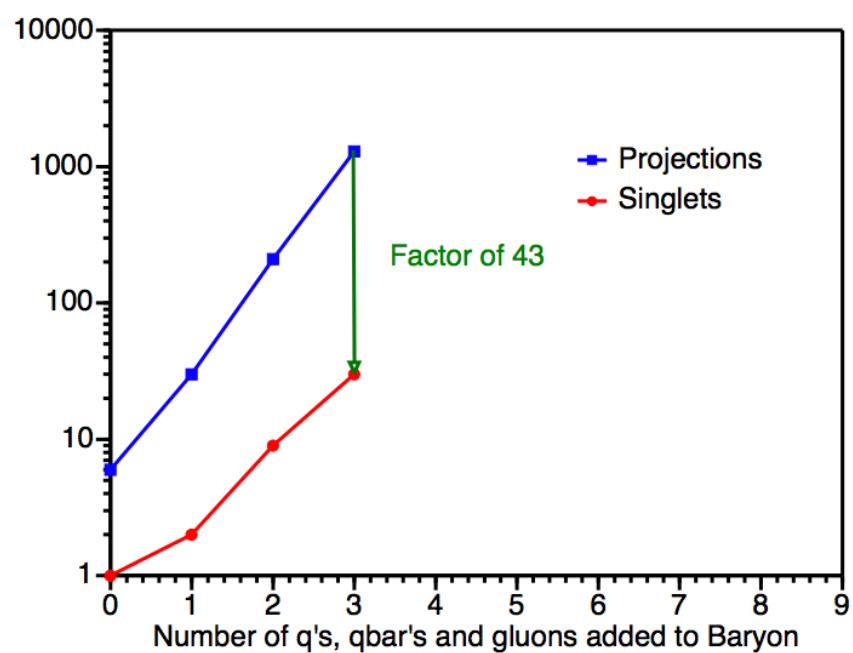
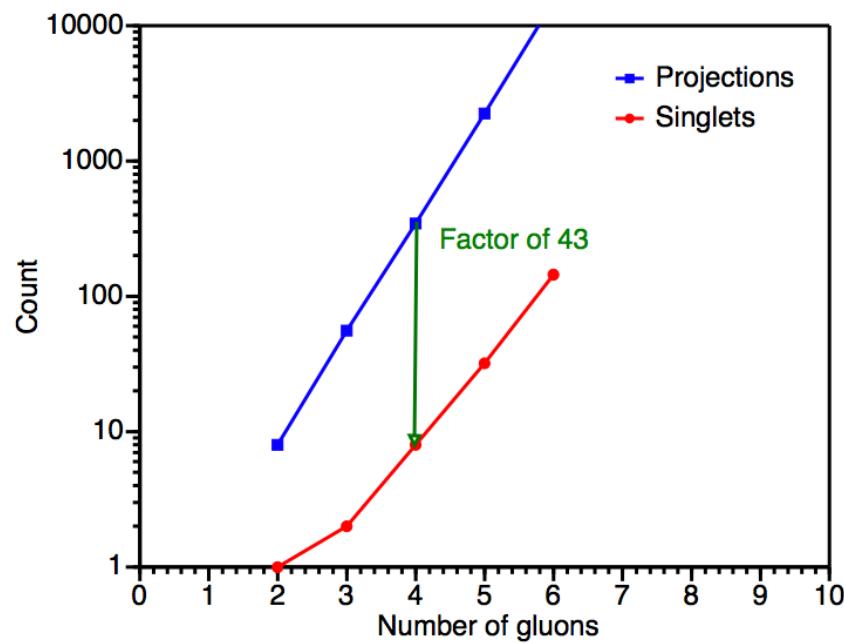
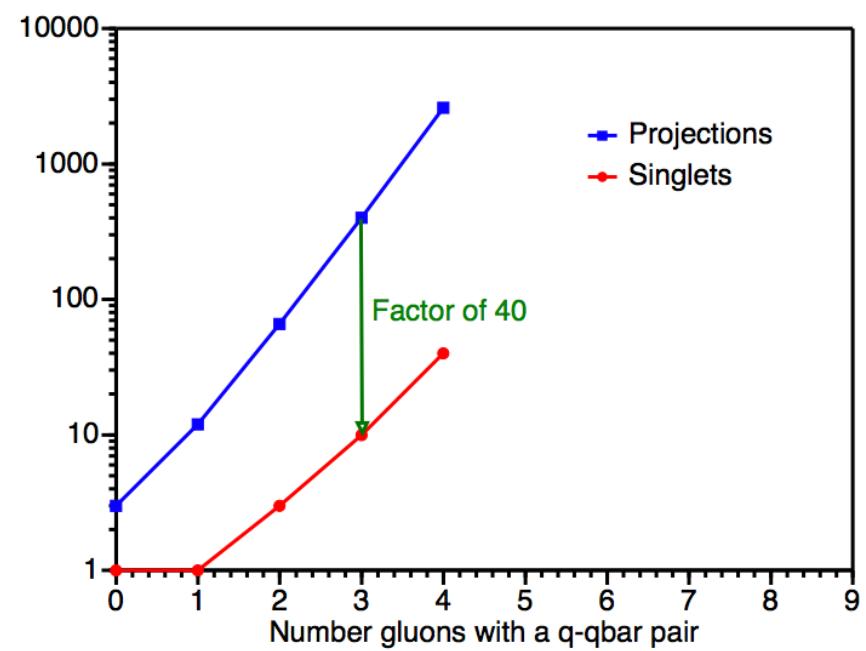
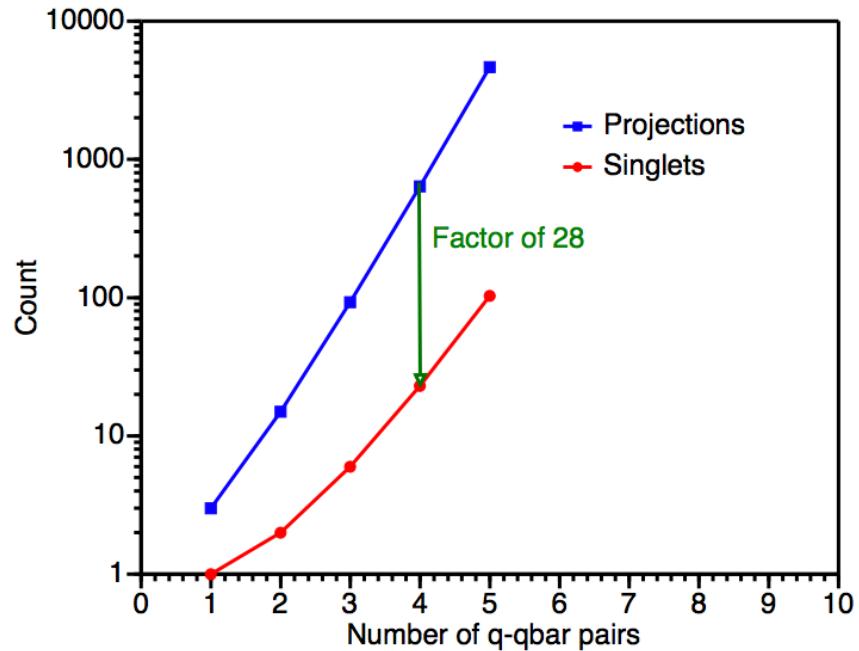
Global Color Singlets (QCD)

Light Front Gauge

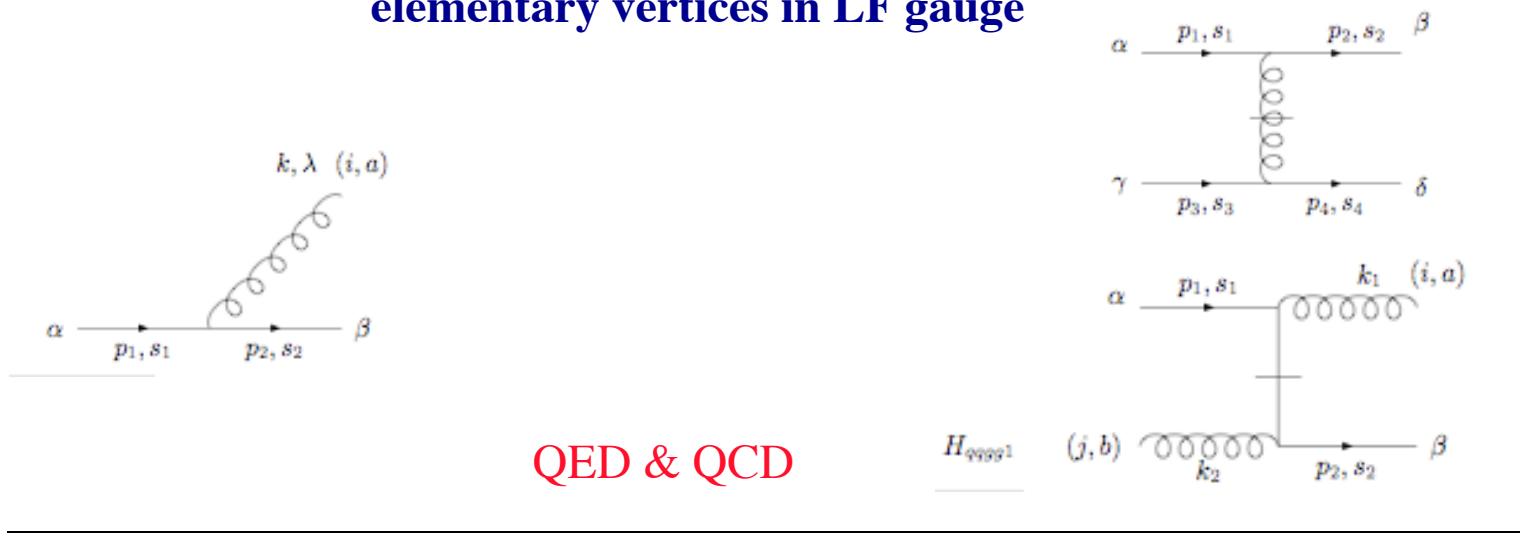
Optional - Fock space cutoffs

$$H \rightarrow H + \lambda H_{CM}$$

Finite basis regulators



Light Front (LF) Hamiltonian defined by its elementary vertices in LF gauge



$$\begin{aligned}
H = & \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x \bar{\tilde{\psi}} \gamma^+ \frac{(\mathrm{i}\partial^\perp)^2 + m^2}{\mathrm{i}\partial^+} \tilde{\psi} - A_a^i (\mathrm{i}\partial^\perp)^2 A_{ia} \\
& - \frac{1}{2} g^2 \int d^3x \mathbf{Tr} \left[\tilde{A}^\mu, \tilde{A}^\nu \right] \left[\tilde{A}_\mu, \tilde{A}_\nu \right] \\
& + \frac{1}{2} g^2 \int d^3x \bar{\tilde{\psi}} \gamma^+ T^a \tilde{\psi} \frac{1}{(\mathrm{i}\partial^+)^2} \bar{\tilde{\psi}} \gamma^+ T^a \tilde{\psi} \\
& - g^2 \int d^3x \bar{\tilde{\psi}} \gamma^+ \left(\frac{1}{(\mathrm{i}\partial^+)^2} \left[\mathrm{i}\partial^+ \tilde{A}^\kappa, \tilde{A}_\kappa \right] \right) \tilde{\psi} \\
& + g^2 \int d^3x \mathbf{Tr} \left(\left[\mathrm{i}\partial^+ \tilde{A}^\kappa, \tilde{A}_\kappa \right] \frac{1}{(\mathrm{i}\partial^+)^2} \left[\mathrm{i}\partial^+ \tilde{A}^\kappa, \tilde{A}_\kappa \right] \right) \\
& + \frac{1}{2} g^2 \int d^3x \bar{\tilde{\psi}} \tilde{A} \frac{\gamma^+}{\mathrm{i}\partial^+} \tilde{A} \tilde{\psi} \\
& + g \int d^3x \bar{\tilde{\psi}} \tilde{A} \tilde{\psi} \\
& + 2g \int d^3x \mathbf{Tr} \left(\mathrm{i}\partial^\mu \tilde{A}^\nu \left[\tilde{A}_\mu, \tilde{A}_\nu \right] \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Regularization and Renormalization Schemes

1. Basis space regulators (2-D HO params, K)
2. Additional Fock space truncations (if any)
3. Counterterms identified/tested*
4. Sector-dependent renormalization**
5. SRG, OLS, . . . Adapted to BLFQ

*D. Chakrabarti, A. Harindranath and J.P. Vary,
“A Study of q-qbar States in Transverse Lattice QCD
Using Alternative Fermion Formulations,”
Phys. Rev. D **69**, 034502 (2004); hep-ph/0309317

**V. A. Karmanov, J.-F. Mathiot, and A. V. Smirnov,
Phys. Rev. D **77**, 085028 (2008);
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Evaluate Electron g-2 with BLFQ Approach

[Honkanen, et al, 2011]

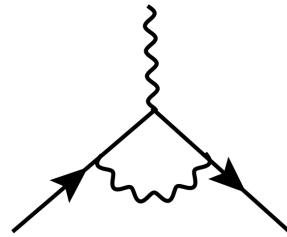
- Electron anomalous magnetic moment

$$a_e \equiv \frac{g - 2}{2}$$

- Leading contribution to a_e is from QED

[Schwinger 1948]

$$a_e = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left(\alpha = \frac{1}{137} \right)$$



- a_e is electron Pauli form factor at zero-moment transfer limit:

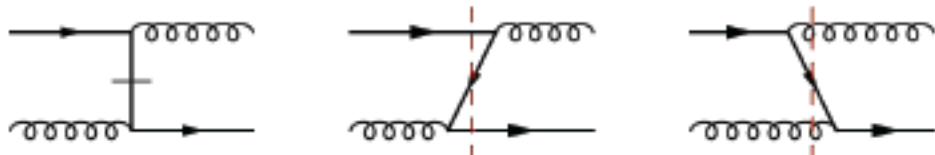
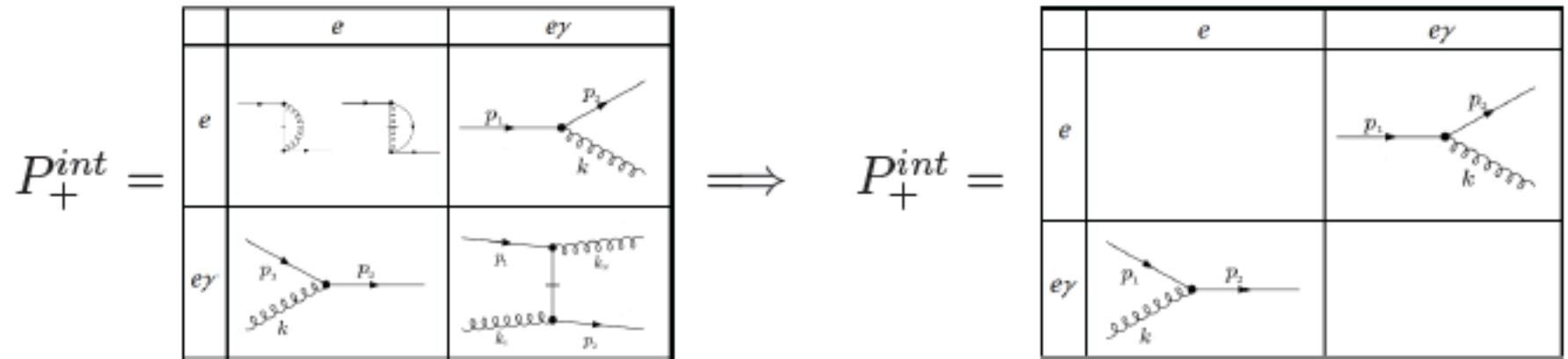
$$a_e = F_2(q^2 \rightarrow 0)$$

- In BLFQ, $a_e = \langle e_{physical} | \hat{F}_2(q^2 \rightarrow 0) | e_{physical} \rangle$

Matrix Example: $N_{max} = 3, K = 2$

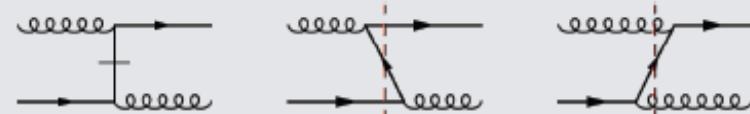
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e: $\uparrow, n=1, m=0$	0	0	0					
e: $\uparrow, n=0, m=-1$		0					0	0
$\gamma: \uparrow, n=m=0$							0	0
e: $\uparrow, n=m=0$		0					0	0
$\gamma: \uparrow, n=0, m=-1$		0					0	0
e: $\downarrow, n=m=0$				0	0	0	0	0
$\gamma: \uparrow, n=m=0$				0	0	0	0	0
e: $\uparrow, n=m=0$				0	0	0	0	0
$\gamma: \downarrow, n=0, m=1$				0	0	0	0	0
e: $\uparrow, n=0, m=1$				0	0	0	0	0
$\gamma: \downarrow, n=m=0$				0	0	0	0	0

$$|e_{\text{ph}}\rangle = |e\rangle + |e\gamma\rangle$$



To cancel out the small- x divergence in the instantaneous vertex needs diagrams from $e\gamma\gamma + ee\bar{e}$ sectors.

- Neglect instantaneous interactions when corresponding dynamical exchange is not present in model space

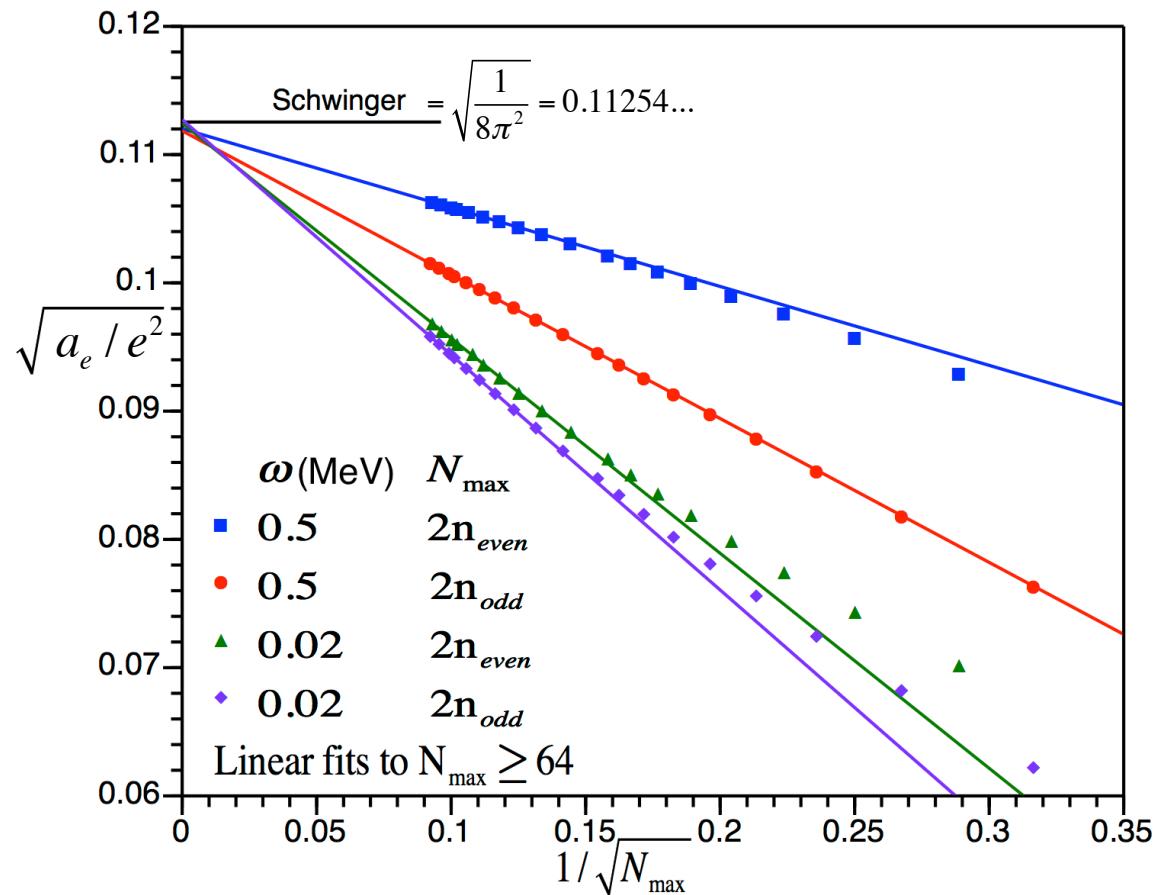


The instantaneous self-energy vertices can be absorbed into the mass term

This may be generalized to higher Fock space basis

Numerical Results for Electron g-2

[X. Zhao, H. Honkanen, P. Maris, J.P. Vary, S.J. Brodsky, in preparation as major update to:
H. Honkanen, P. Maris, J.P. Vary, S.J. Brodsky, Phys. Rev. Lett. 106, 061603 (2011)]



- As $N_{\max} \rightarrow \infty$, results approach Schwinger result
- Less than 1% deviation from Schwinger's result (by linear extrap.)
- Convergence over wide range of ω 's (by a factor of 25!)

- AdS/QCD basis
 - Let $\mathbf{q}^\perp = \frac{\mathbf{p}^\perp}{\sqrt{x}}$, its conjugate coordinate is $s^\perp = \sqrt{x}r$;

$$s_{\text{rel}}^\perp = \sqrt{x_1 x_2}(\mathbf{r}_1^\perp - \mathbf{r}_2^\perp)$$
 - AdS/QCD and LF holography
 As shown by Brodsky and de Teramond, one can use LF holography to translate the AdS/QCD eigenmodes to LF wavefunctions.

BLFQ	LF Holography	"soft-wall" AdS/QCD
<i>relative coordinate</i>	<i>impact parameter</i>	<i>the 5th dimension</i>
s_{rel}^\perp	ζ	z
<i>confining potential</i>	<i>effective potential</i>	<i>background dilaton field</i>
$V_{\text{con}}(s) \propto s_{\text{rel}}^2$	$U(\zeta) \propto \zeta^2 + \text{const.}$	$\Phi(z) \propto z^2$
<i>basis function</i>	<i>eigenstate LFWF</i>	<i>string mode amplitude</i>
$\phi_n^m(s_{\text{rel}}^\perp)$	$\phi_n^m(\zeta)$	$\phi_n^m(z)$

$$\Phi_n^m(x, \mathbf{p}^\perp) = \mathcal{N} e^{im\theta} \rho^{|m|} e^{-\frac{\rho^2}{2x}} L_n^{|m|} \left(\frac{\rho^2}{x} \right), \quad \rho = |\mathbf{p}^\perp|/b, \theta = \arg \mathbf{p}^\perp$$

$$\equiv \phi_n^m \left(\frac{\mathbf{p}^\perp}{\sqrt{x}} \right)$$

- use single particle basis to build many-body basis;
- generalized 2D Talmi-Moshinsky (TM) transform

$$|n_1 m_1 x_1; n_2 m_2 x_2\rangle = \sum_{NMnm} (NMnm |n_1 m_1 n_2 m_2)|_\delta |NMX; nm x\rangle$$

$$X = x_1 + x_2, x = \frac{x_1 x_2}{x_1 + x_2}, \delta = \arctan \sqrt{\frac{x_2}{x_1}}$$

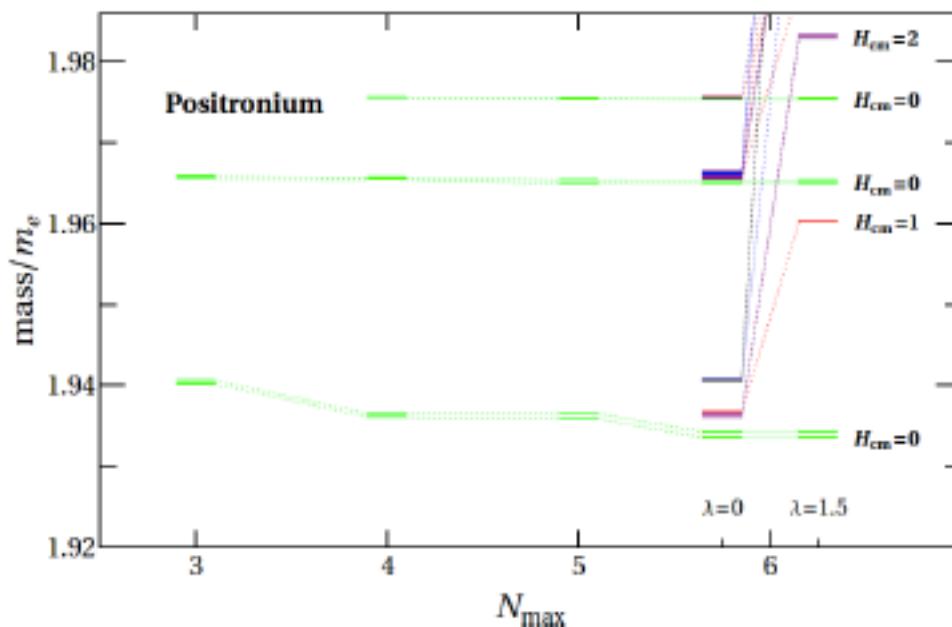
- closed-form expression for TM coefficients via generating function technique;
- compatible with N_{\max} truncation:

$$2n_1 + |m_1| + 2n_2 + |m_2| = 2N + |M| + 2n + |m|$$
- only finite terms in the sum;

- Exact factorization of CM motion in N_{\max} truncation:

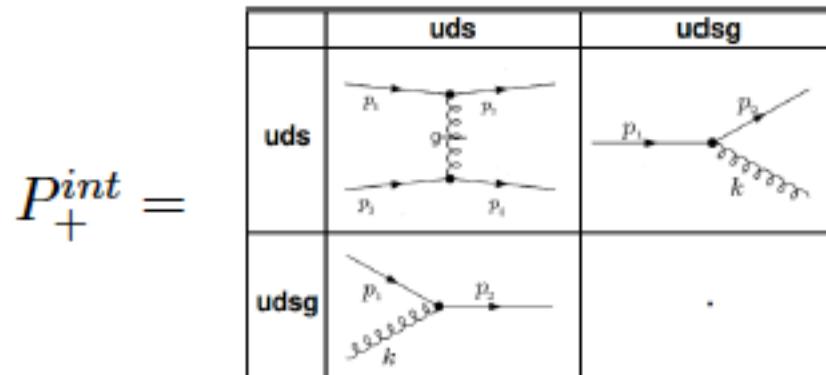
$$|\Psi\rangle = |\varphi_{intr}\rangle \otimes |\Phi_{CM}\rangle$$

- not necessarily true for arbitrary finite truncated basis space;
- not true for $\phi_n^m(p^\perp)$ with N_{\max} truncation;
- apply Lagrange multiplier method to lift the non-zero P^\perp motion;
 $H \rightarrow H + \lambda H_{cm}$ with $H_{cm} = P^2 + b^4 R^2 - 2b^2$;

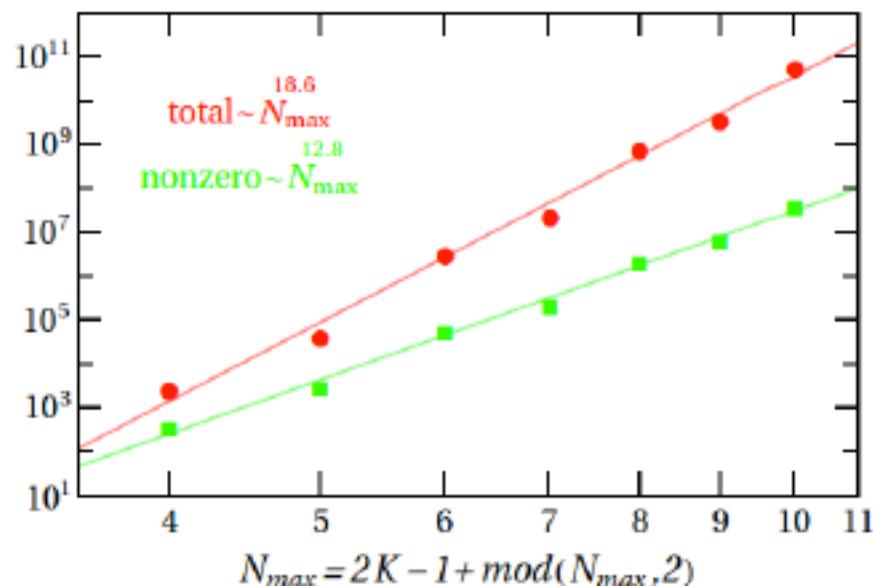


Computational Aspect: a case study

Λ baryon problem:

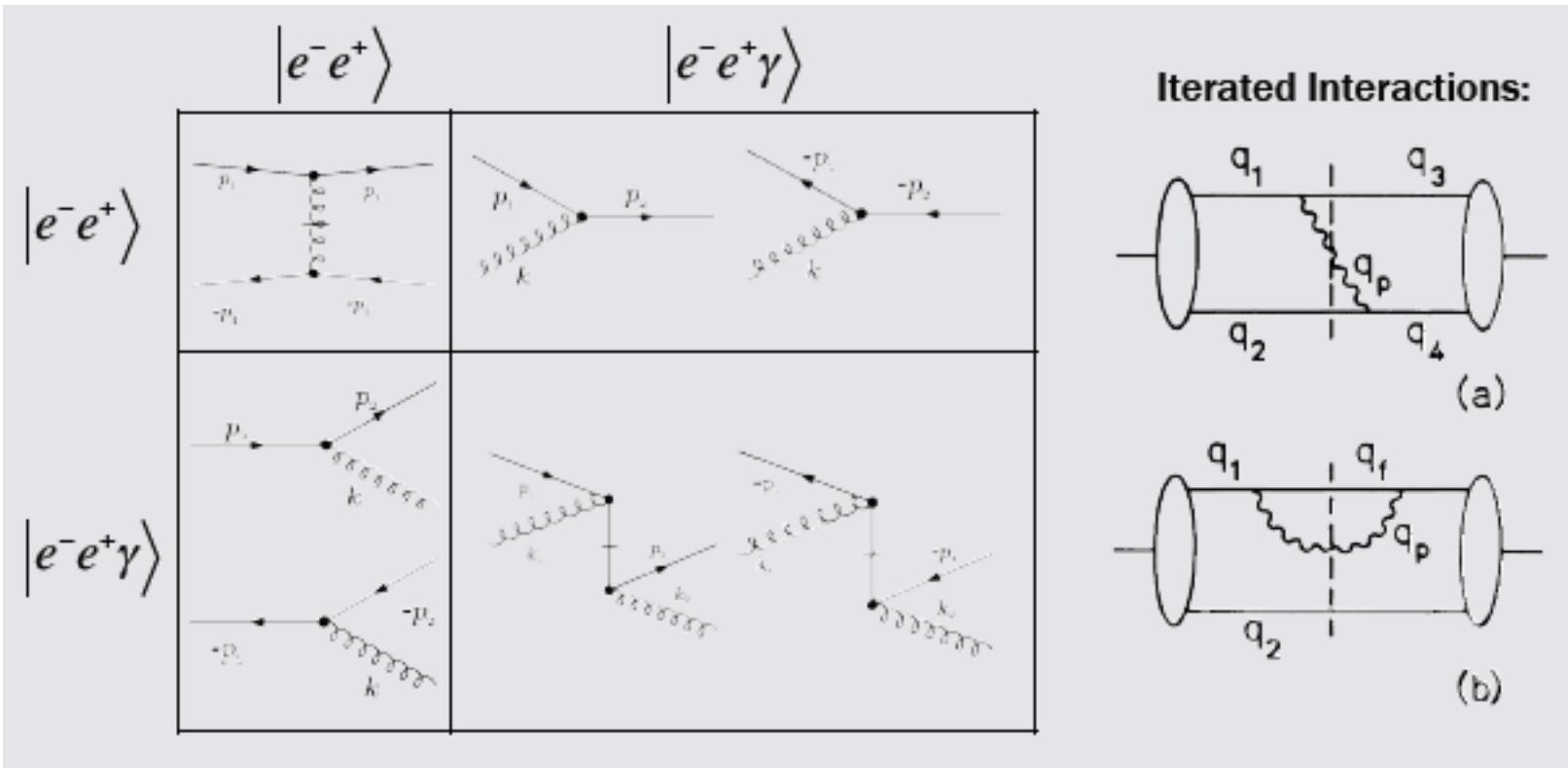


Sparsity of the matrix:

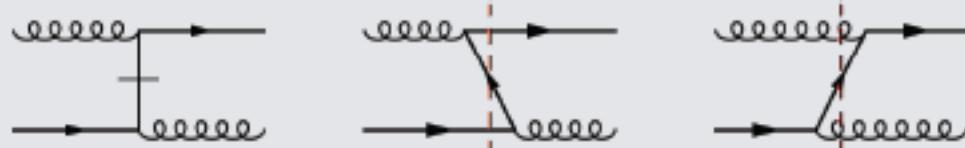


Colorlines: red, total number of matrix elements; green, number of nonzero matrix elements.
 K is a half integer and $2K$ is odd;

Positronium



- Neglect instantaneous interactions when corresponding dynamical exchange is not present in model space



■ Projection operators P and Q

$$P^2 |\Psi_i\rangle = M_i^2 |\Psi_i\rangle$$

$$H \equiv P^2$$

$$PHP \equiv H_{00}$$

$$PHQ \equiv H_{01}$$

$$QHP \equiv H_{10}$$

$$QHQ \equiv H_{11}$$

$ e^-e^+\rangle$	$ e^-e^+\gamma\rangle$	
$ e^-e^+\rangle$	PHP	PHQ
$ e^-e^+\gamma\rangle$	QHP	QHQ

■ Eigenvalue equation can be rewritten:

$$H_{\text{eff}}(\omega) |\psi_i(\omega)\rangle_0 = \tilde{M}_i^2(\omega) |\psi_i(\omega)\rangle_0$$

$$H_{\text{eff}}(\omega) \equiv H_{00} + H_{01} \frac{1}{\omega - H_{11}} H_{10}$$

$$\omega = M_i^2$$

$$H_{\text{eff}}(\omega) \equiv H_{00} + H_{01} \frac{1}{\omega - H_{11}} H_{10}$$

$$H_{\text{eff}}$$

=

$$H_{00}$$

+

$$H_{01}$$

$$(\omega - H_{11})^{-1}$$

$$H_{10}$$

■ In special case where H_{11} is diagonal

$$\langle f | H_{\text{eff}}(\omega) | i \rangle = \langle f | H_{00} | i \rangle + \sum_n \frac{\langle f | H_{01} | n \rangle \langle n | H_{10} | i \rangle}{\omega - \langle n | H_{11} | n \rangle}$$

■ Resolvent operator $(\omega - H_{11})^{-1}$ not diagonal in H.O. basis

- Work in momentum space initially

- Consider just second term of effective interaction

$$\langle f | H_{\text{eff}}^{(2)}(\omega) | i \rangle = \sum_{|n\rangle} \frac{\langle f | H_{01} | n \rangle \langle n | H_{10} | i \rangle}{\omega - E_n}$$

- Sum reduces to sum over polarization states of photon

$$\sum_{\lambda_g} \varepsilon_\mu(k_g, \lambda_g) \varepsilon_v^*(k_g, \lambda_g) = -g_{\mu\nu} + (k_{g,\mu}\eta_v + k_{g,v}\eta_\mu)/k_g^\kappa\eta_\kappa$$

$\eta^\mu = (\eta^+, \eta_\perp, \eta^-) = (0, \mathbf{0}_\perp, 2)$
 $; \eta^2 \equiv \eta^\mu\eta_\mu = 0$
 $k\eta = k^+$

- Expected cancellation is achieved only if:

$$\omega = \frac{E_i + E_f}{2}$$

With this choice the divergence of the instantaneous graph is cancelled exactly by divergent part of the effective interaction. Henceforward, these cancelling divergences are dropped from the calculations.

Small x divergences

■ Final result

$$\langle f | H_{\text{eff}}^{(2)} \left(\omega = \frac{E_i + E_f}{2} \right) | i \rangle = \alpha \frac{\delta_{x_1+x_2}^{x'_1+x'_2}}{K} \int \frac{d^2 q_1}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2 q_2}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2 q'_1}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2 q'_2}{(2\pi)^2} (2\pi)^2 \delta^{(2)} \left(\sqrt{x_1} q_1 + \sqrt{x_2} q_2 - \sqrt{x'_1} q'_1 - \sqrt{x'_2} q'_2 \right)$$

$$. \frac{\Psi_{n_1}^{m_1}(q_1) \Psi_{n_2}^{m_2}(q_2) \Psi_{n'_1}^{*m'_1}(q'_1) \Psi_{n'_2}^{*m'_2}(q'_2) \bar{u}(1') \gamma^\mu u(1) \bar{v}(2) \gamma_\mu v(2')}{\frac{(x_1-x'_1)}{2} \left[\left(\frac{x_1 q_1^2 + m^2}{x_1} + \frac{x'_1 q'_1^2 + m^2}{x'_1} - \frac{(\sqrt{x_1} q_1 - \sqrt{x'_1} q'_1)^2 + \mu^2}{x_1 - x'_1} \right) - \left(\frac{x_2 q_2^2 + m^2}{x_2} + \frac{x'_2 q'_2^2 + m^2}{x'_2} - \frac{(\sqrt{x_2} q_2 - \sqrt{x'_2} q'_2)^2 + \mu^2}{x_2 - x'_2} \right) \right]}$$

$$I = -\frac{1}{x_1 + x_2} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \delta_{m_1+m_2}^{m'_1+m'_2} \cdot \sum (TM)(TM)(TM) \int dx dy \frac{e^{-(x+y)/2} L(x)L(y)}{(\alpha - \beta)^2 x + (\alpha + \beta)^2 y + \frac{\Delta}{b^2} + \varepsilon}$$

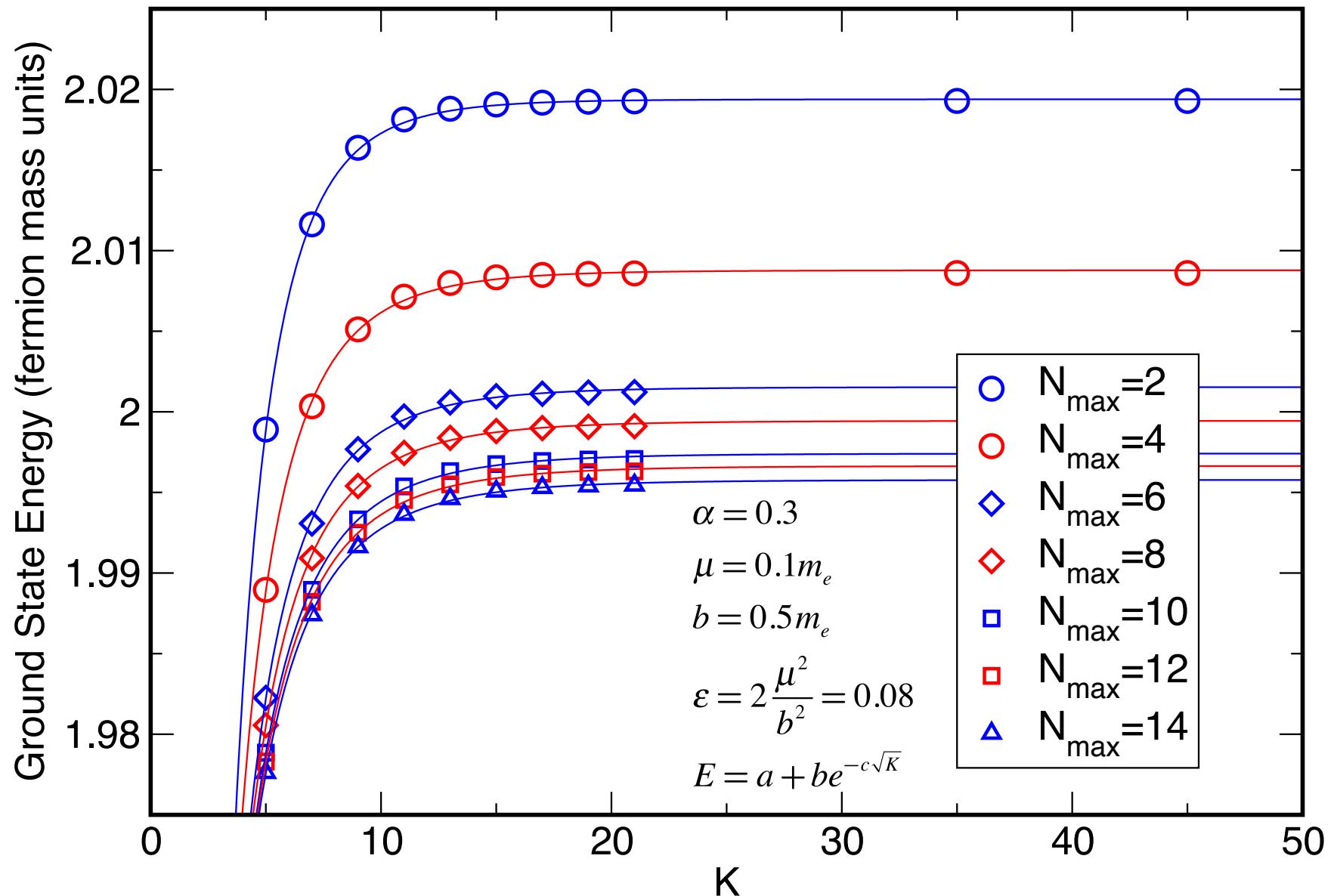
$$\alpha \equiv \sqrt{\frac{x'_1 x_2}{x_1 + x_2}}$$

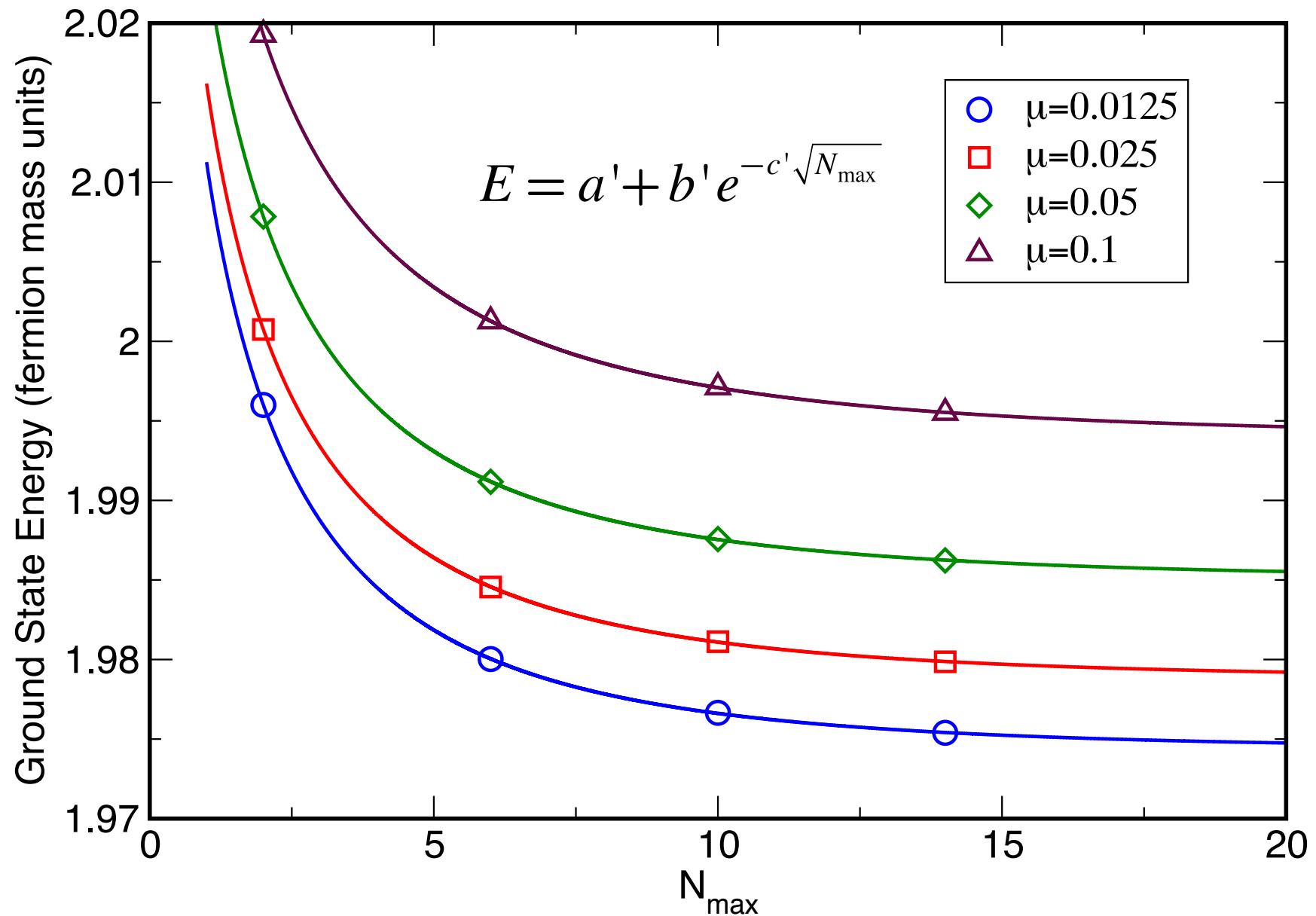
$$\Delta \equiv m^2 (x_1 - x'_1)^2 \left[\frac{1}{x'_1 x_1} + \frac{1}{x'_2 x_2} \right] \geq 0$$

$$\beta \equiv \sqrt{\frac{x'_2 x_1}{x_1 + x_2}}$$

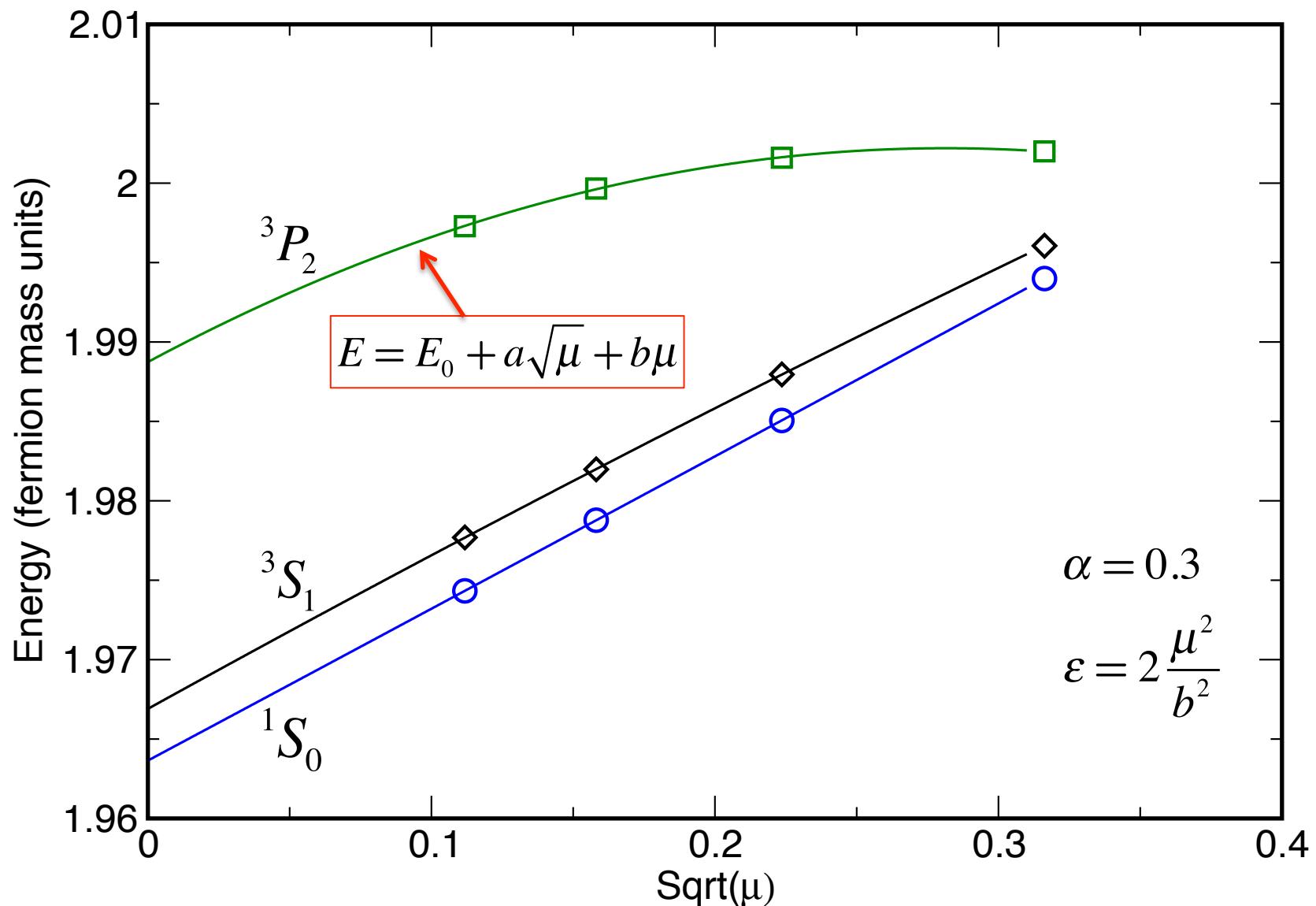
$$\varepsilon \equiv 2 \frac{\mu^2}{b^2}$$

- 3-fold summation
- 2D Numerical Integral
- Infrared Cutoff

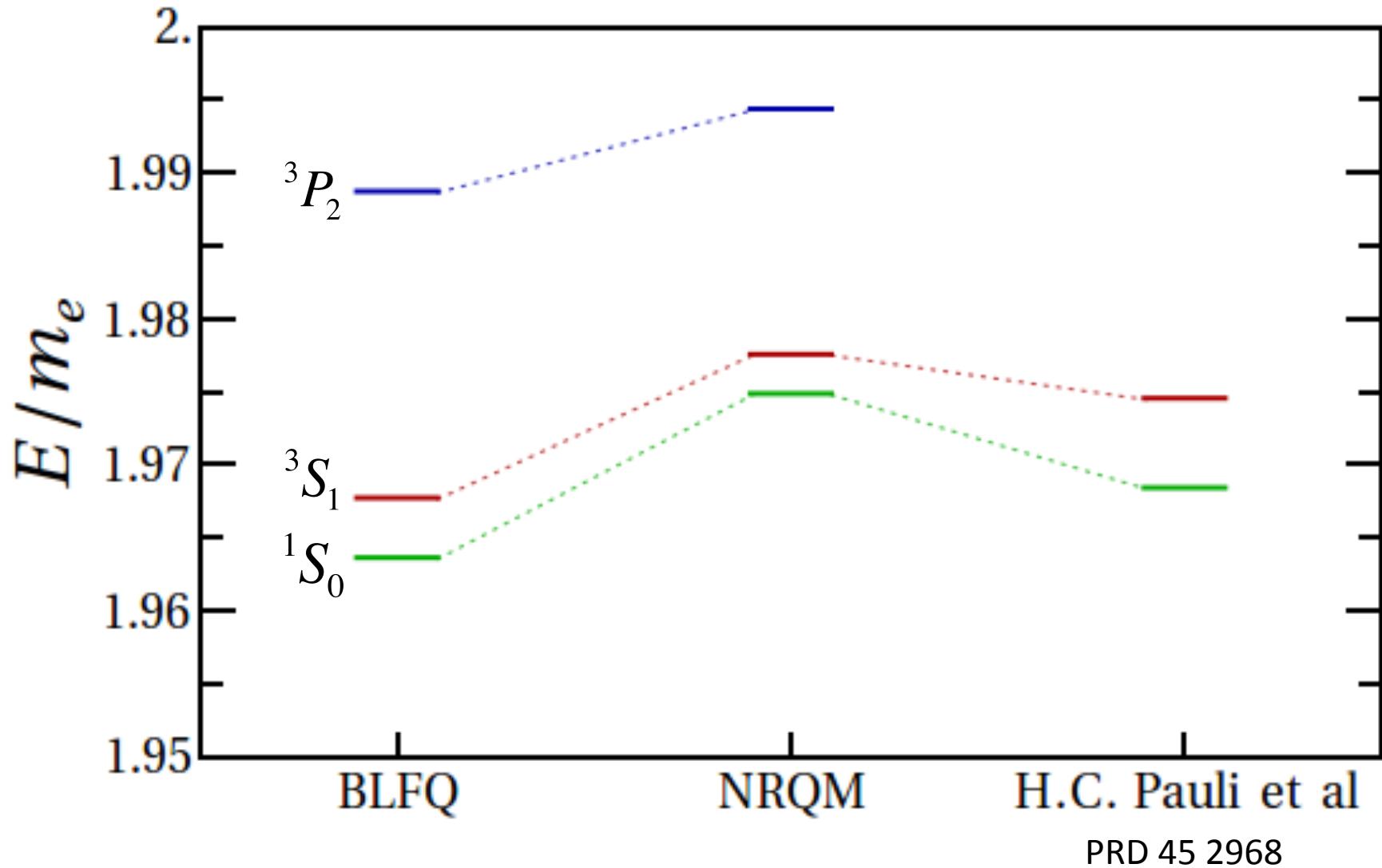




Positronium in the $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ limit
after taking $N_{\max} \rightarrow \infty$ and $K \rightarrow \infty$

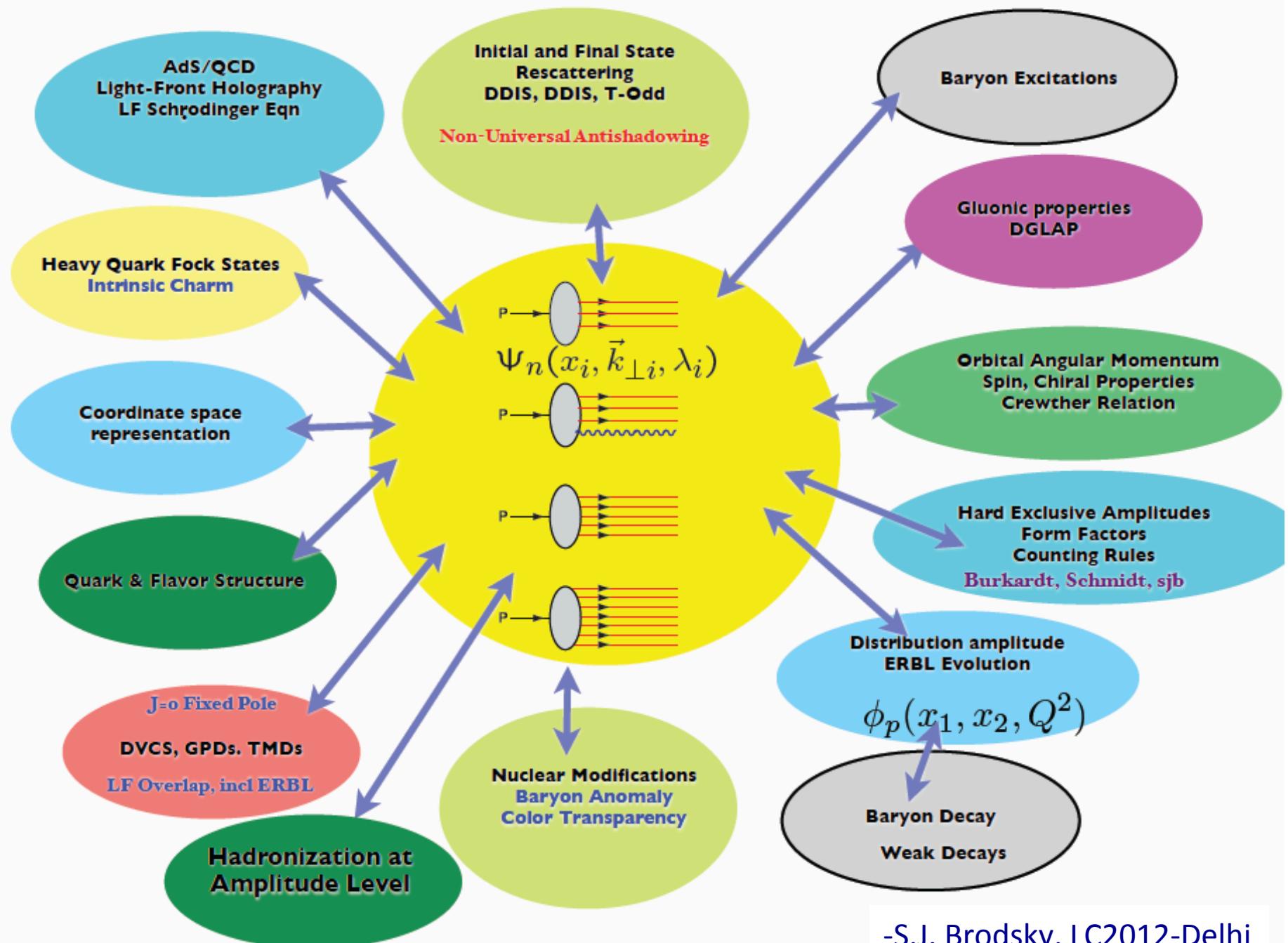


Positronium with $\alpha = 0.3$

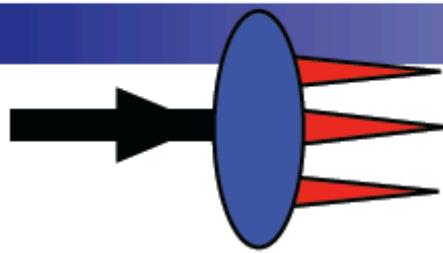


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• Light Front Wavefunctions:

$$\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_\perp i, \lambda_i)$$

Transverse density in momentum space

GTMDs

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \vec{k}_\perp & \leftrightarrow & \vec{z}_\perp \\ \vec{\Delta}_\perp & \leftrightarrow & \vec{b}_\perp \end{array}$$

Position space

Momentum space

Transverse density in position space

TMDs

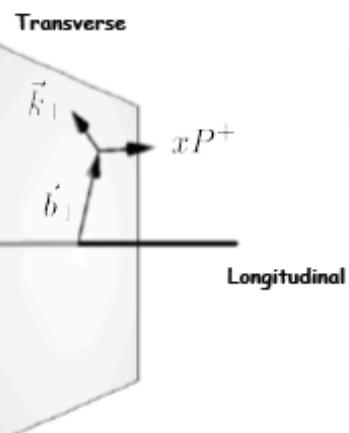
$$x, \vec{k}_\perp$$

TMFFs

$$\vec{k}_\perp, \vec{b}_\perp$$

GPDs

$$x, \vec{b}_\perp$$



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TMSDs

$$\vec{k}_\perp$$

PDFs

$$x,$$

FFs

$$\vec{b}_\perp$$

Lorce

$\int d^2 b_\perp$

$\int dx$

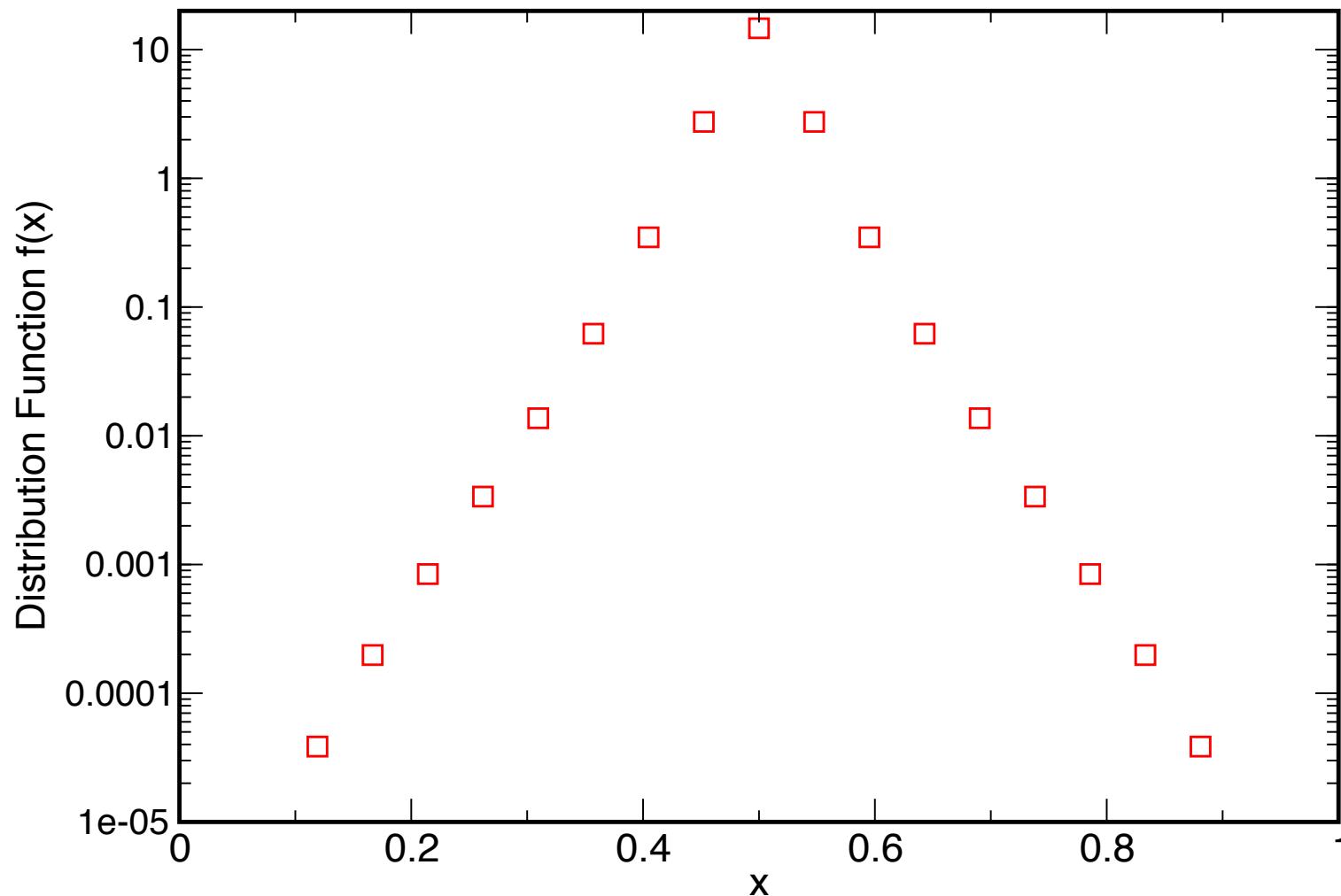
$\int d^2 k_\perp$

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Ground state Electron distribution function

$N_{\max}=14, K=21$



Matrix Dimension = 10,584 & CPU hours = 737

Conclusions and Outlook

- BLFQ/tBLFQ are practical approaches to light-front QFT
- As for LGT, they are computationally intensive
- Massive amounts of computer resources are available
- Next up: mesons and baryons

Thank you

I welcome your questions!