

# Hadron Physics in the EIC Era

## A Continuum QCD Approach

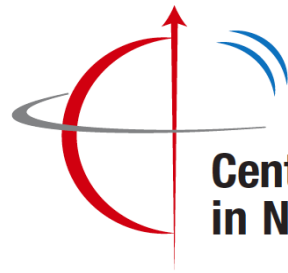
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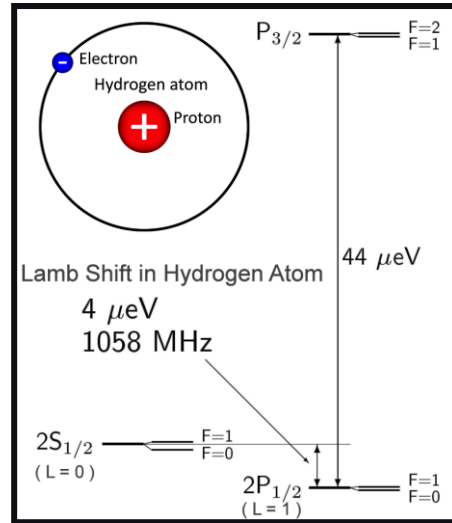
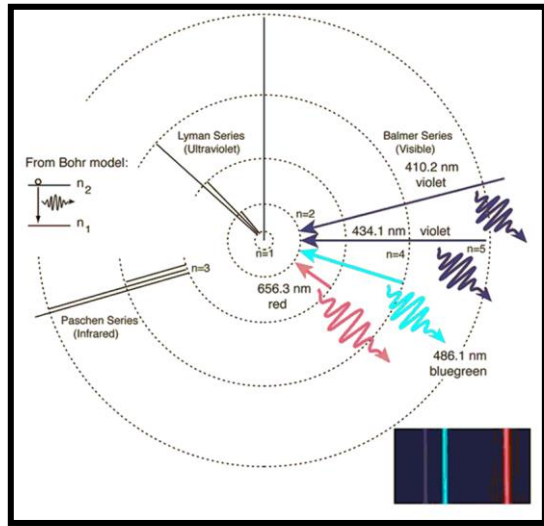
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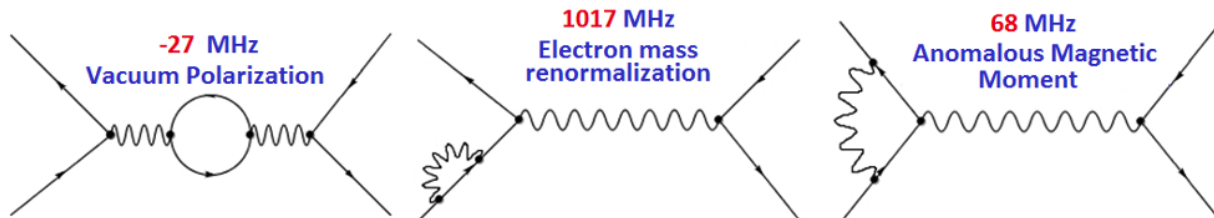
# Two particle **bound** states



$\pi$  and the **K** are the simplest two-body **bound states** in **QCD**. Unraveling their internal structure is a bigger challenge.

**Nambu-Goldstone bosons associated with dynamical chiral symmetry breaking**

**Dyson:** If you don't understand the **Hydrogen atom** (in **QED**) you don't understand anything.



**Renormalized QED**



**1934-1949**

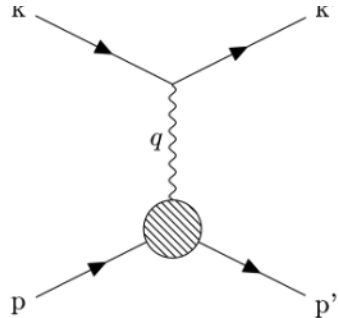
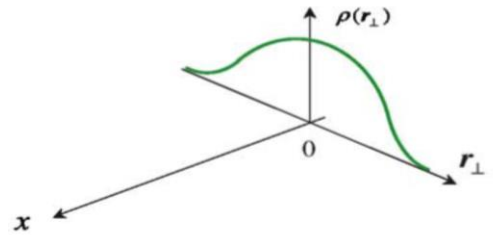
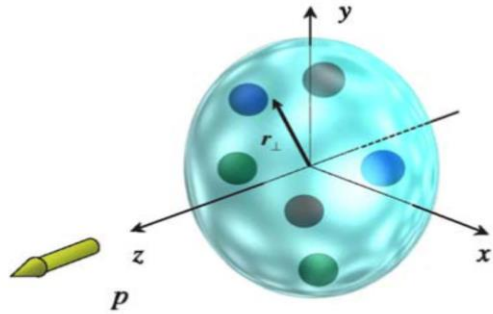


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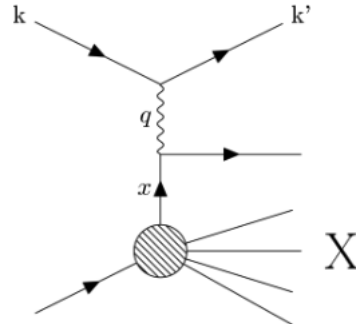
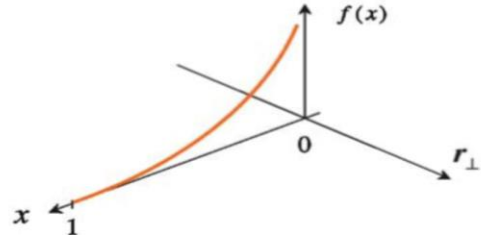
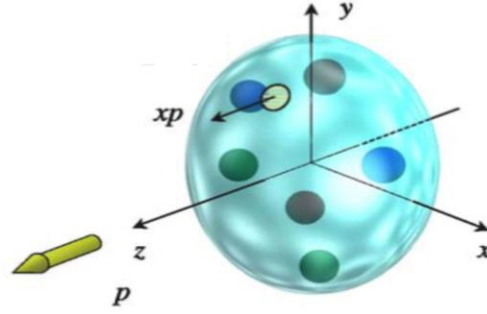
**1960-2008**

# Hadrons Structure – QCD

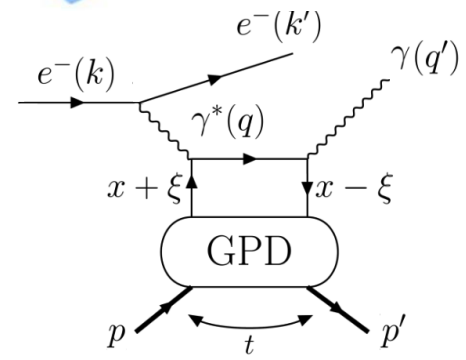
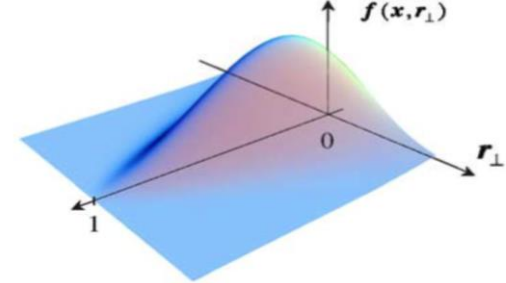
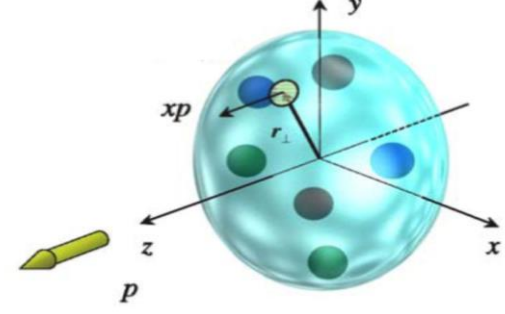


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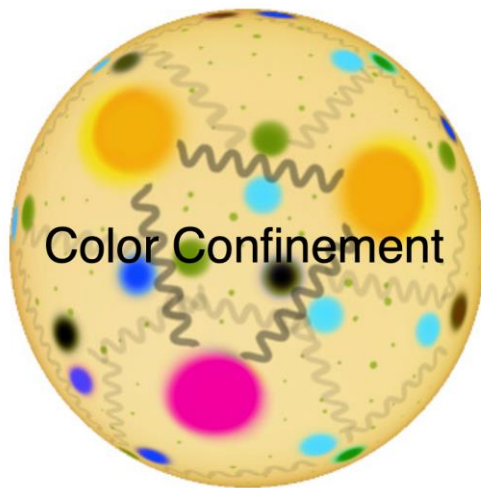


# QCD: Emergent Phenomena and Challenges

QCD is characterized by two **emergent** phenomena: **confinement** and dynamical generation of mass (**DGM**).

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \sum_{j=u,d,s,\dots} \bar{q}_j [\gamma_\mu D_\mu + m_j] q_j + \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\mu\nu}^a,$$
$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + ig \frac{1}{2} \lambda^a A_\mu^a,$$
$$G_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a - gf^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c,$$

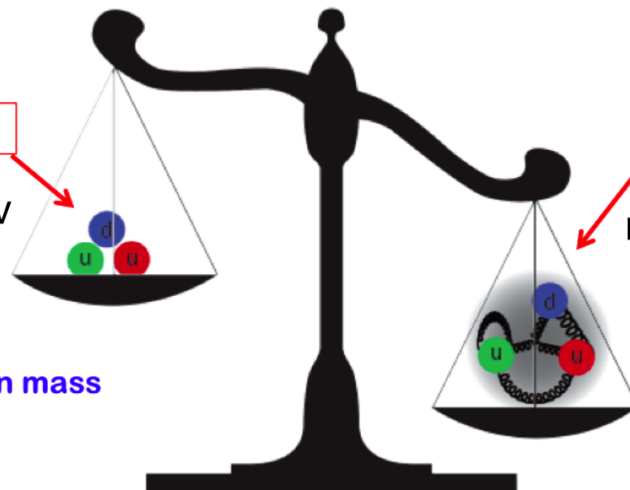
- Quarks and gluons do not reach detectors.
- Formation of color-singlet bound states: “**Hadrons**” from QCD **dynamics**  
mesons, baryons, tetraquarks, molecules
- ◆ Emergence of hadron masses (**EHM**)



Higgs mechanism

Quark Mass ~ 3 MeV

~ 1% of proton mass



Dynamics of gluons

Proton Mass = 938.27 MeV

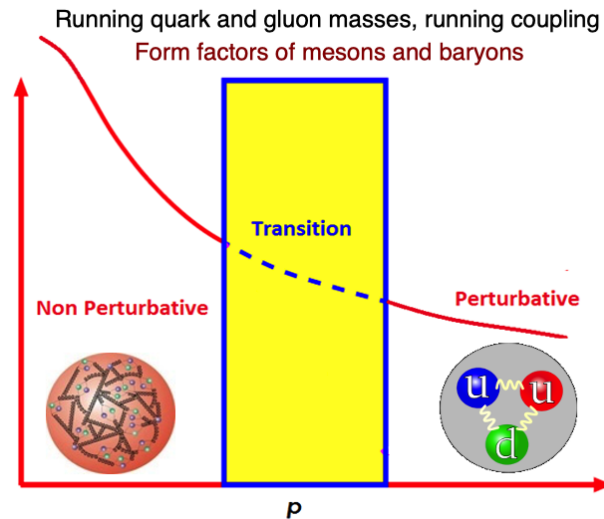
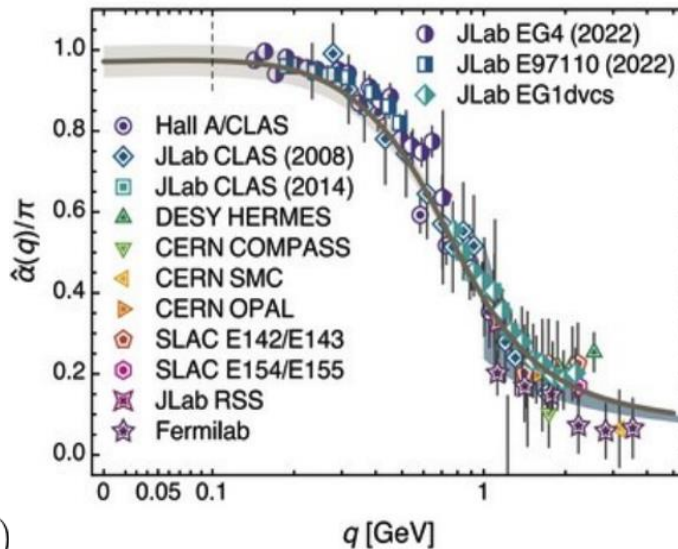
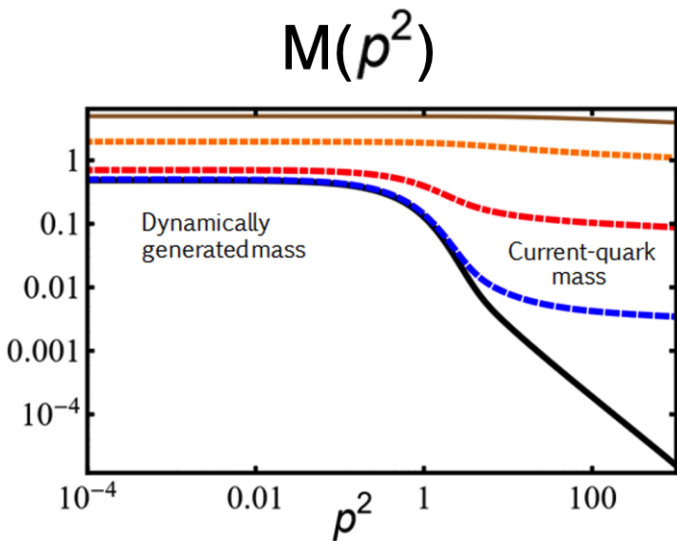
~ 99% of proton mass

# QCD: Emergent Phenomena and Challenges

Origins of **confinement** and **dynamical mass generation** can perhaps be traced back to the Green functions of **quarks** and **gluons**.

These emergent phenomena of **QCD**, non-existent in perturbation theory are naturally linked to the infrared enhancement of the **strong running coupling**.

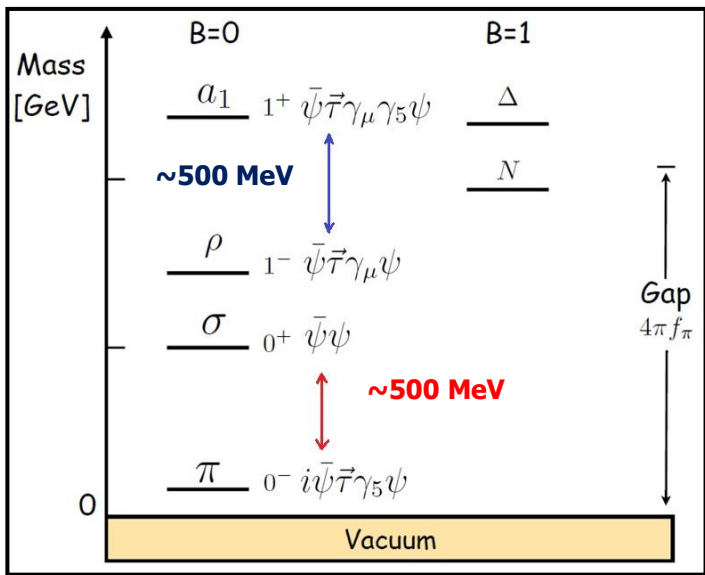
The effects of the pattern of **dynamical mass generation** are traceable in the  **$Q^2$  evolution** of the  **$\pi$**  and **K form factors** explored and planned in the **JLab** and the **EIC**.



$$S_f^{-1}(p) = Z_f^{-1}(p^2)(i\gamma \cdot p + \mathbf{M}_f(p^2))$$

# DCSB: Mass Spectrum of Mesons and Baryons

Experimental signature of **DCSB** is observed in meson **masses**.



$$\psi \longrightarrow e^{-i\gamma_5 \frac{\vec{\tau}}{2} \cdot \vec{\Theta}} \psi \simeq \left(1 - i\gamma_5 \frac{\vec{\tau}}{2} \cdot \vec{\Theta}\right) \psi$$

$$\bar{\psi} \longrightarrow \bar{\psi} e^{-i\gamma_5 \frac{\vec{\tau}}{2} \cdot \vec{\Theta}} \simeq \bar{\psi} \left(1 - i\gamma_5 \frac{\vec{\tau}}{2} \cdot \vec{\Theta}\right)$$

$$\pi_i: i\bar{\psi}\tau_i\gamma_5\psi \longrightarrow i\bar{\psi}\tau_i\gamma_5\psi + \Theta_j \left( \bar{\psi}\tau_i\gamma_5\gamma_5\frac{\tau_j}{2}\psi + \bar{\psi}\gamma_5\frac{\tau_j}{2}\tau_i\gamma_5\psi \right)$$

$$= i\bar{\psi}\tau_i\gamma_5\psi + \Theta_i\bar{\psi}\psi$$

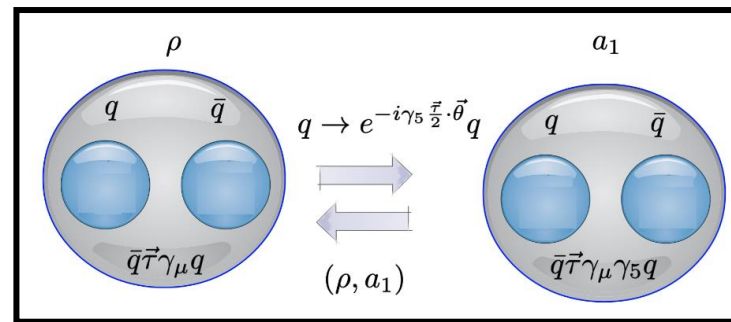
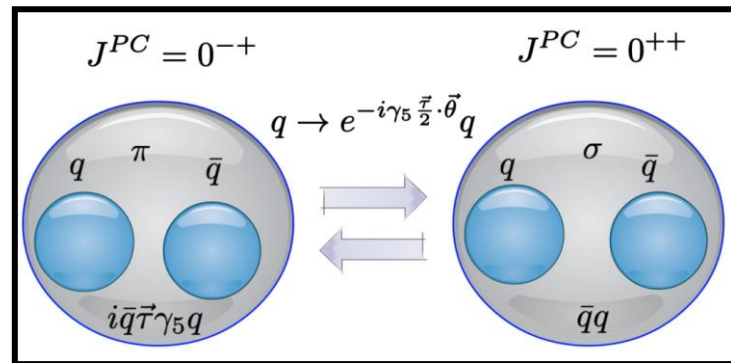
$$\vec{\pi} \longrightarrow \vec{\pi} + \vec{\Theta}\sigma$$

$$\sigma \longrightarrow \sigma - \vec{\Theta} \cdot \vec{\pi}$$

**Axial, Chiral Transformations**

$$\vec{\rho}_\mu \longrightarrow \vec{\rho}_\mu + \vec{\Theta} \times \vec{a}_{1\mu}$$

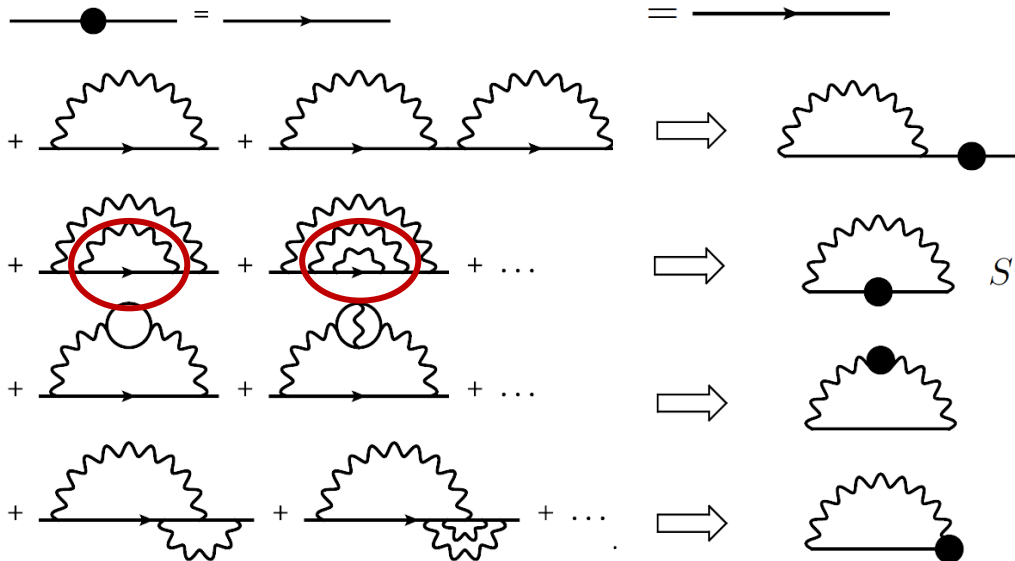
$$\vec{a}_{1\mu} \longrightarrow \vec{a}_{1\mu} - \vec{\Theta} \times \vec{\rho}_\mu$$





# Schwinger-Dyson Equations - QED

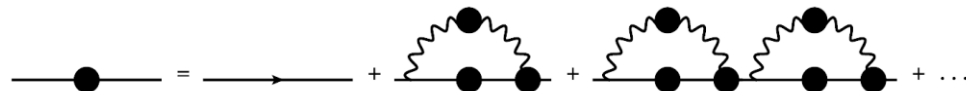
## The Electron Propagator



**Bare**

$$S^0(p) = \frac{1}{\not{p} - m}$$

The last blob can again be expanded:



Define self-energy as:

$$\Sigma(p) = \text{Diagram of a photon loop with a fermion line and a blob at the end.}$$

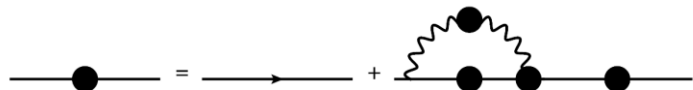
$$S(p) = S^0(p) + S^0(p)\Sigma(p)S^0(p) + S^0(p)\Sigma(p)S^0(p)\Sigma(p)S^0(p) + \dots$$

It can be written in a compact form:

$$\begin{aligned} S(p) &= S^0(p) + S^0(p)\Sigma(p)[S^0(p) + S^0(p)\Sigma(p)S^0(p) + \dots] \\ &= S^0(p) + S^0(p)\Sigma(p)S(p) \end{aligned}$$

$$S^{-1}(p) = S^{0^{-1}}(p) - \Sigma(p)$$

The perturbative series can be summed up:

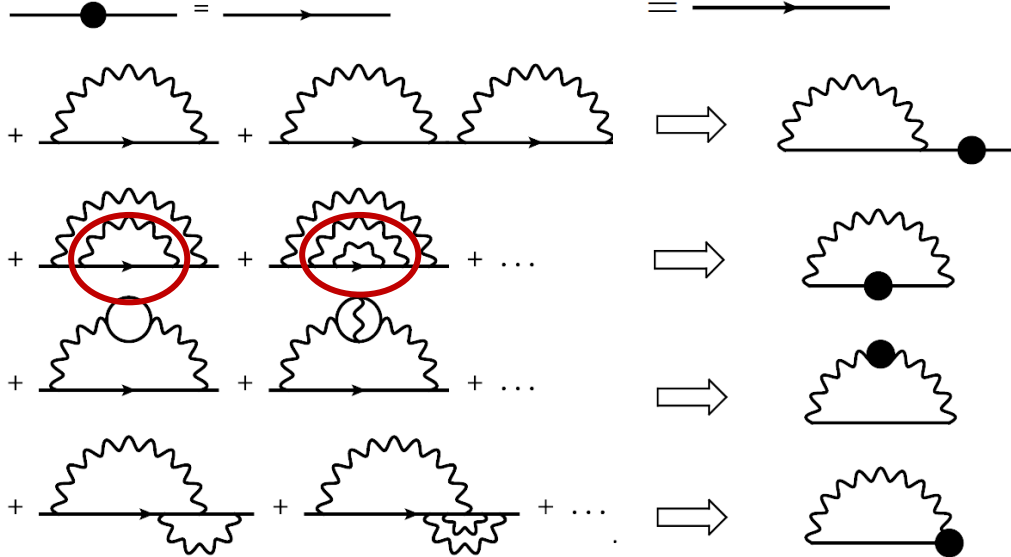


$$\text{Diagram of a straight line with dots at the ends} = \text{Diagram of a straight line with dots at the ends} - \text{Diagram of a photon loop with a blob at the end}$$

**The gap equation**

# Schwinger-Dyson Equations - QED

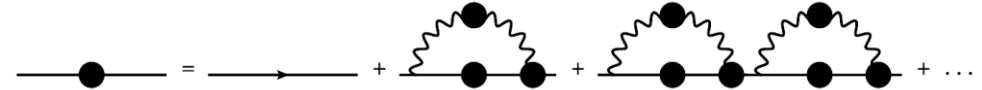
## The Quark Propagator



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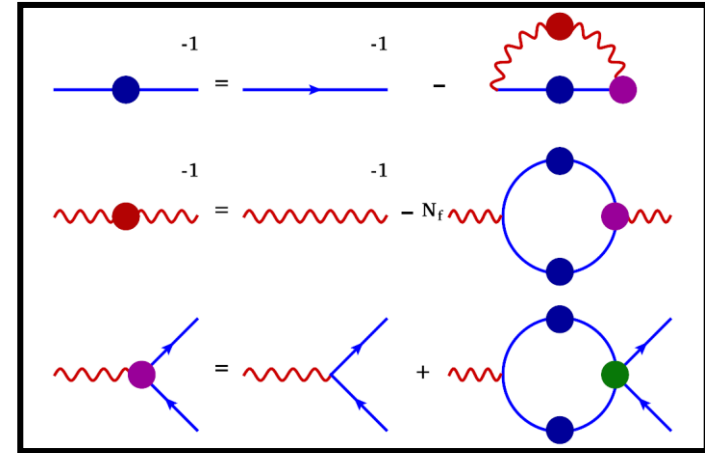
$$S^0(p) = \frac{1}{\not{p} - m}$$

The last blob can again be expanded:



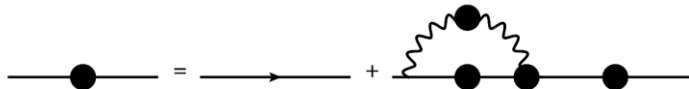
Define self-energy as:

$$\Sigma(p) = \text{[Diagram of a self-energy blob]}$$



## Schwinger-Dyson equations

The perturbative series can be summed up:



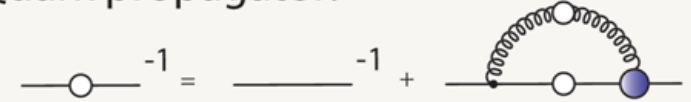


# QCD – Schwinger-Dyson Equations

## Gauge Technique – Non Perturbative Solutions

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- P. Maris, P. Tandy, Phys. Rev. C60 (1999)

Quark propagator:



$$S(p^2, \mu^2) = \frac{Z(p^2, \mu^2)}{i \gamma \cdot p + M(p^2)}$$

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## Renormalizable Electrodynamics of Scalar and Vector Mesons. II

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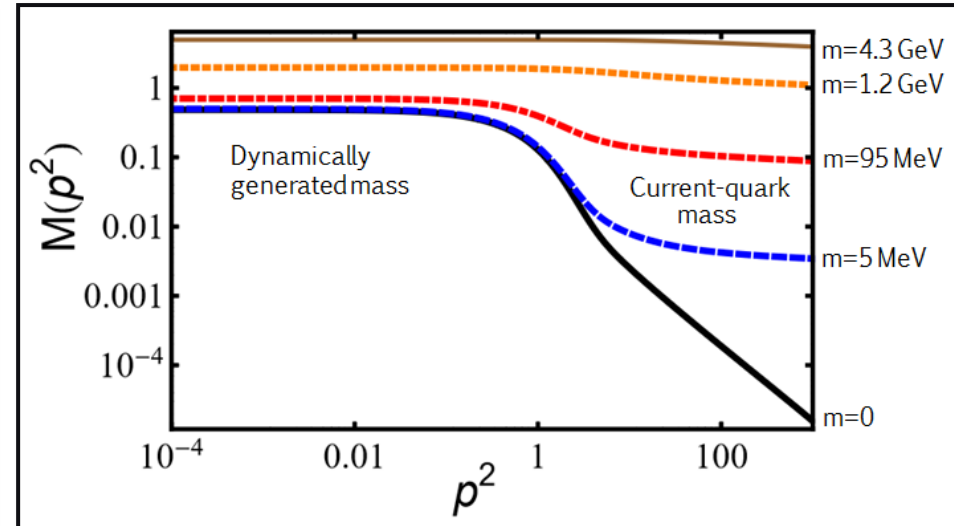
The “gauge technique” for solving field theories introduced in an earlier paper is applied to scalar and vector electrodynamics.

A. Dyson-Schwinger Set;

For a typical 3-field (e.g., electron-photon) interaction the well-known Dyson equations

$$S^{-1} = Z_2 S_0^{-1} + Z_1 e^2 \int \Gamma S \Gamma_0 D \quad \leftarrow \text{(I.1)}$$

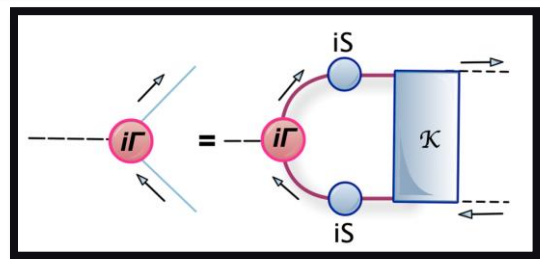
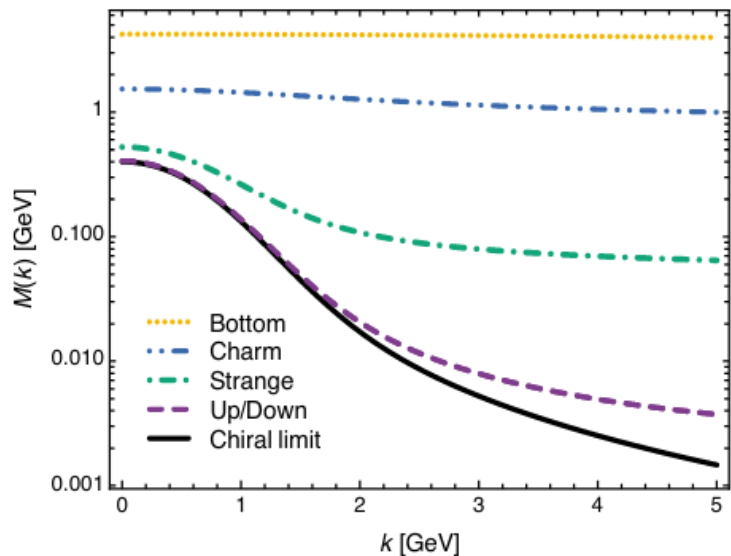
$$D^{-1} = Z_3 D_0^{-1} + Z_1 e^2 \int \Gamma S \Gamma_0 S \quad \text{SDE: electron propagator (I.2)}$$



# $\pi$ and $K$ : Bound States and Goldstone Bosons

The pattern of **dynamical chiral symmetry breaking** and the **Bethe-Salpeter amplitude** to be computed by solving the **Bethe-Salpeter equation**.

$$\Gamma_\pi(k, P) = \gamma_5 \left[ iE_\pi(k; P) + \gamma \cdot P F_\pi(k; P) + \gamma \cdot k k \cdot P G_\pi(k; P) + \sigma_{\mu\nu} k_\mu P_\nu H_\pi(k; P) \right]$$



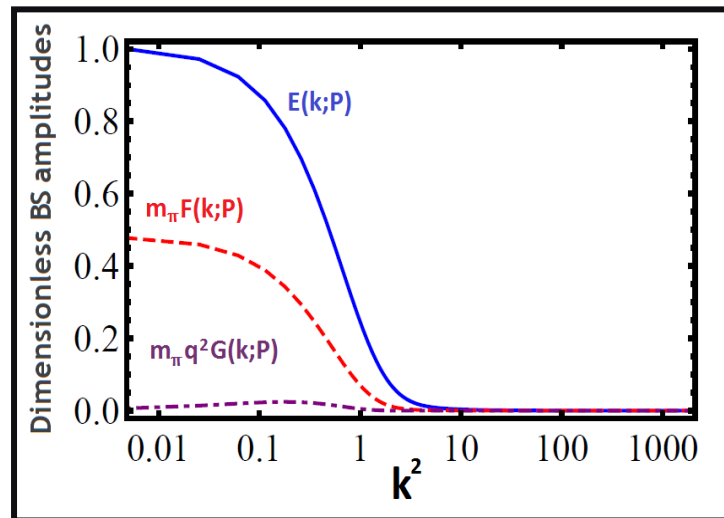
$$S(p) = \frac{1}{i\gamma \cdot p A(p^2) + B(p^2)}$$

$$f_\pi E_\pi(k; P=0) = B(p^2)$$

$$F_R(k; 0) + 2 f_\pi F_\pi(k; 0) = A(k^2)$$

$$G_R(k; 0) + 2 f_\pi G_\pi(k; 0) = 2A'(k^2)$$

$$H_R(k; 0) + 2 f_\pi H_\pi(k; 0) = 0$$



# $\pi$ and $K$ : Probing Quarks with Photons

In studying the **elastic form factors**, it is the **photon** which probes the **dressed quarks** inside the **bound states**, highlighting the importance of the **quark-photon vertex**.

## Gauge covariance:

Ward Identities

Transverse Takahashi  
Identities

Landau-Khalatnikov-  
Fradkin Transformations

$$\Gamma_\mu^L(p, k, q) = \sum_{i=1}^4 \lambda_i L_\mu^i(p, k)$$

$$L_\mu^1 = \gamma_\mu$$

$$L_\mu^2(p, k) = (\not{p} + \not{k})(p + k)_\mu$$

$$L_\mu^3(p, k) = -(p + k)_\mu$$

$$L_\mu^4(p, k) = -\sigma_{\mu\nu}(p + k)^\nu$$

$$\Gamma_\mu^T(p, k, q) = \sum_{i=1}^8 \tau_i(p^2, k^2, q^2) T_\mu^i(p, k)$$

$$T_\mu^1 = p_\mu(k \cdot q) - k_\mu(p \cdot q),$$

$$T_\mu^2 = [p_\mu(k \cdot q) - k_\mu(p \cdot q)](\not{p} + \not{k}),$$

$$T_\mu^3 = q^2 \gamma_\mu - q_\mu \not{q},$$

$$T_\mu^4 = q^2 [\gamma^\mu (\not{k} + \not{p}) - (k + p)^\mu]$$

$$+ 2(k - p)^\mu \sigma_{\nu\lambda} p^\nu k^\lambda,$$

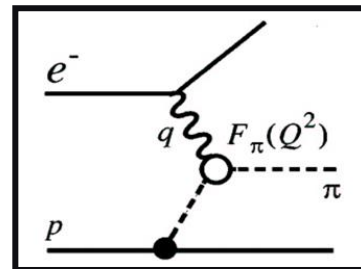
$$T_\mu^5 = -\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu,$$

$$T_\mu^6 = \gamma_\mu(p^2 - k^2) + (p + k)_\mu \not{q},$$

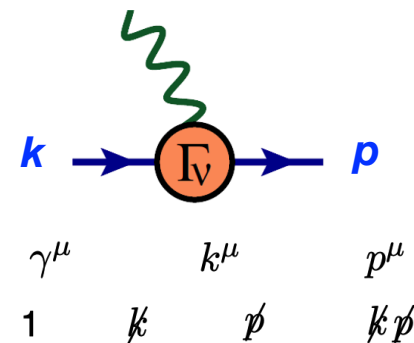
$$T_\mu^7 = \frac{1}{2}(p^2 - k^2) [\gamma_\mu(\not{p} + \not{k}) - (p + k)_\mu]$$

$$- (p + k)_\mu \sigma_{\nu\lambda} p^\nu k^\lambda,$$

$$T_\mu^8 = \gamma_\mu \sigma_{\nu\lambda} p^\nu k^\lambda - p_\mu \not{k} + k_\mu \not{p}.$$



**Pion Form Factor**



$$\Gamma^\mu(k, p) = \sum_{i=1}^{12} v_i(k, p) V_i^\mu,$$

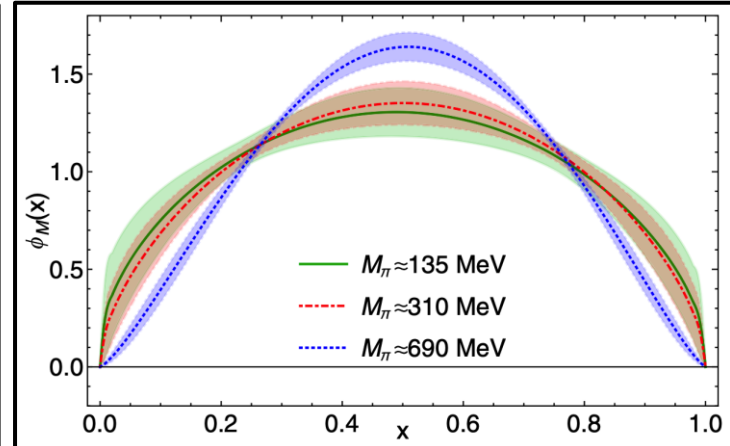
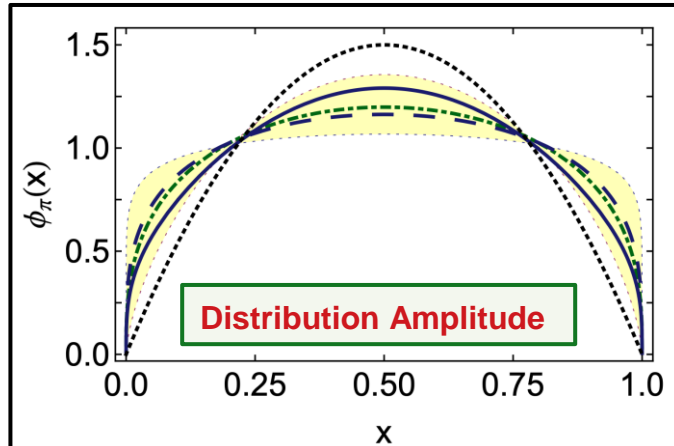
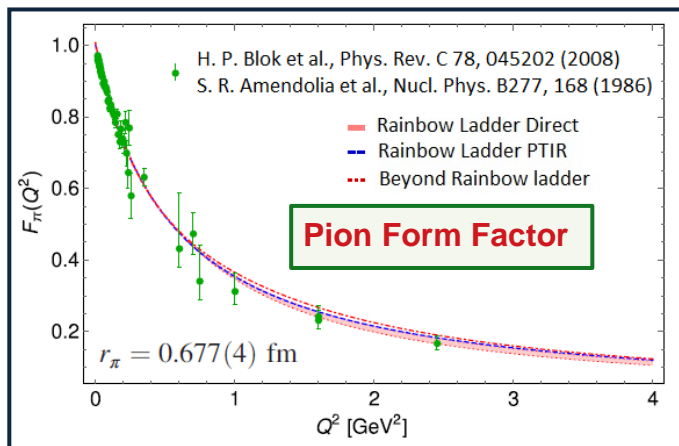
$$V_1^\mu = \gamma^\mu, \quad V_2^\mu = k^\mu, \quad V_3^\mu = p^\mu,$$

$$V_4^\mu = \not{k} \gamma^\mu, \quad V_5^\mu = \not{k} k^\mu, \quad V_6^\mu = \not{k} p^\mu,$$

$$V_7^\mu = \not{p} \gamma^\mu, \quad V_8^\mu = \not{p} k^\mu, \quad V_9^\mu = \not{p} p^\mu,$$

$$V_{10}^\mu = \not{k} \not{p} \gamma^\mu, \quad V_{11}^\mu = \not{k} \not{p} k^\mu, \quad V_{12}^\mu = \not{k} \not{p} p^\mu.$$

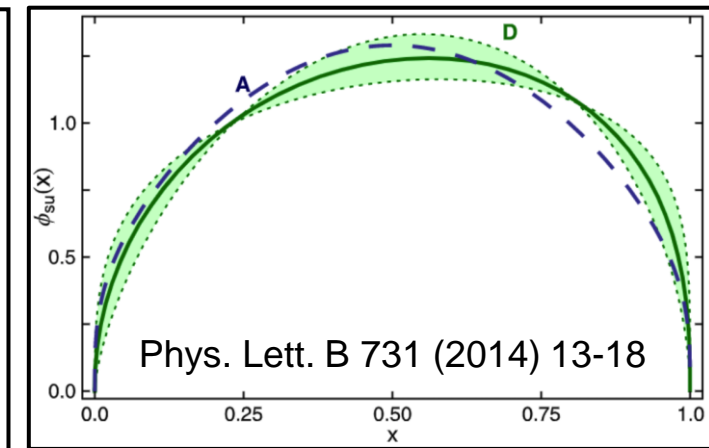
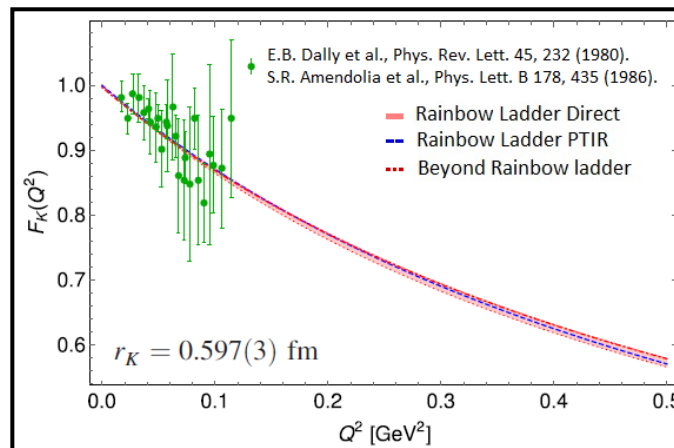
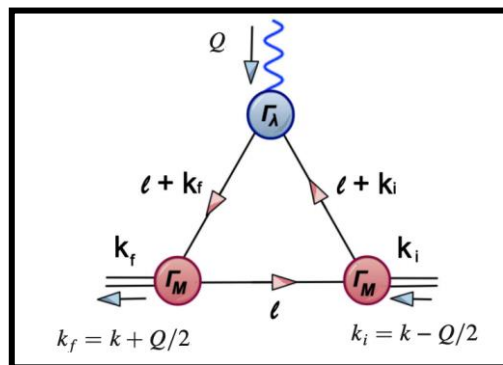
# $\pi$ Electromagnetic Form Factor



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# $\pi$ and K Form Factors: Probing the Standard Model

A muon with spin  $s$  has a **magnetic moment**:  $\mu = g \frac{e}{2m} s$

The factor **g** is called the gyro-magnetic factor. The **Dirac equation** for a charged elementary fermion with spin 1/2 implies **g = 2**.

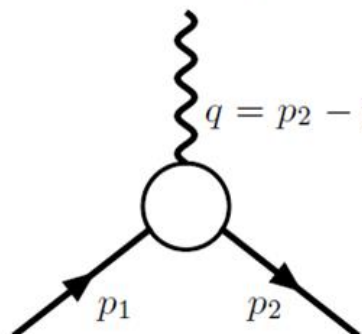
The **anomalous magnetic moment** is the deviation from  $g = 2$ , parameterized by  **$a_\mu = (g-2)/2$** . It appears due to radiative corrections. **Renormalization** of **QED** was established in 1943 and 1947-1948 by Tomonaga, Schwinger and Feynman.

The leading contribution to  **$a_\mu$** , calculated by Schwinger in 1949, is:

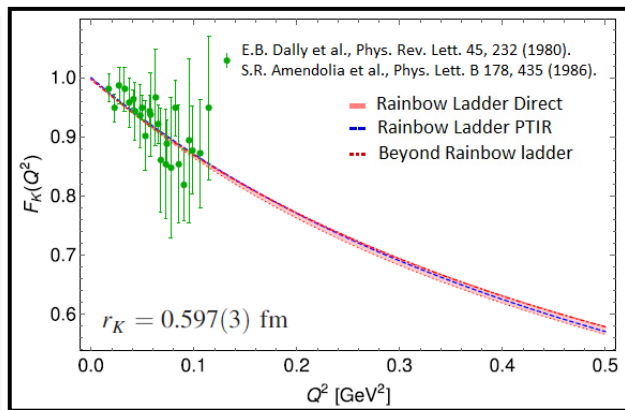
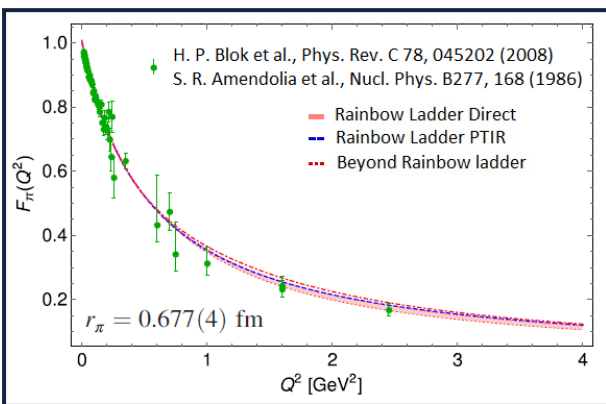
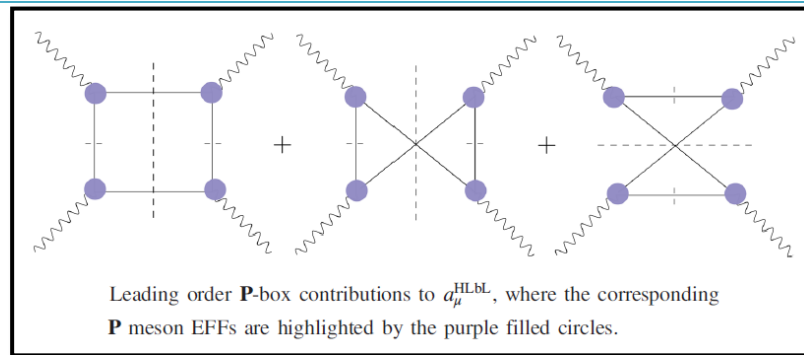
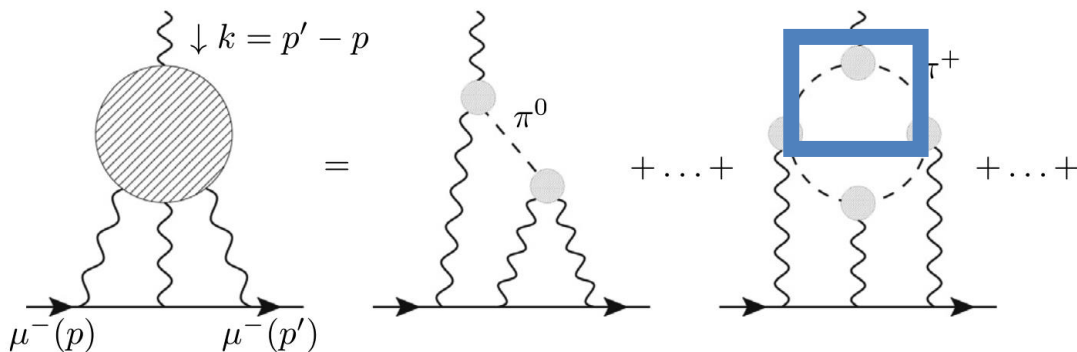
$$a_\mu = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi}$$

The **amplitude** of a muon scattering off an external electromagnetic field  $A$  is: ( $q=p_2-p_1$ ):

$$\mathcal{M} = -ie \langle \mu_{p_2} | J^\mu(0) | \mu_{p_1} \rangle A_\mu(q)$$

$$\langle \mu_{p_2} | J^\mu(0) | \mu_{p_1} \rangle = \bar{u}_{p_2} \Gamma^\mu(p_2, p_1) u_{p_1}$$
$$\Gamma^\mu(p_2, p_1) = \left[ F_D(q^2) \gamma^\mu + F_P(q^2) \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2m} \right]$$


# $\pi$ and K Form Factors: Probing the Standard Model



A. Miramontes, AB, K. Raya, P. Roig, Phys.  
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## Radial excitations of $\pi$ and $K$ :

### A. Miramontes, submitted to PRD

$$a_{\mu}^{\pi_1-\text{box}} = (-3.2 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-13}$$

$$a_{\mu}^{K_1-\text{box}} = -6.8 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$a_{\mu}^{K^+-\text{box,DSE}} = -0.48(2) \times 10^{-11}$$

Eichmann, et. al. Phys.Rev.D 101 (2020) 5, 054015

## Dispersive methods:

$$a_{\mu}^{\pi\text{-box}} = -15.9(2) \times 10^{-11}$$

$$a_{\mu}^{K^+ \text{-box, VMD}} = -0.50 \times 10^{-11}$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\pi^{\pm}\text{-box}} = -(15.6 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-11}$$

$$a_{\mu}^{K^{\pm}\text{-box}} = -(0.48 \pm 0.02) \times 10^{-11}$$



# $\pi$ and K Form Factor - JLab 12 GeV Upgrade

REACHING FOR THE HORIZON

The Site of the Wright Brothers' First Airplane Flight

The 2015  
LONG RANGE PLAN  
for NUCLEAR SCIENCE

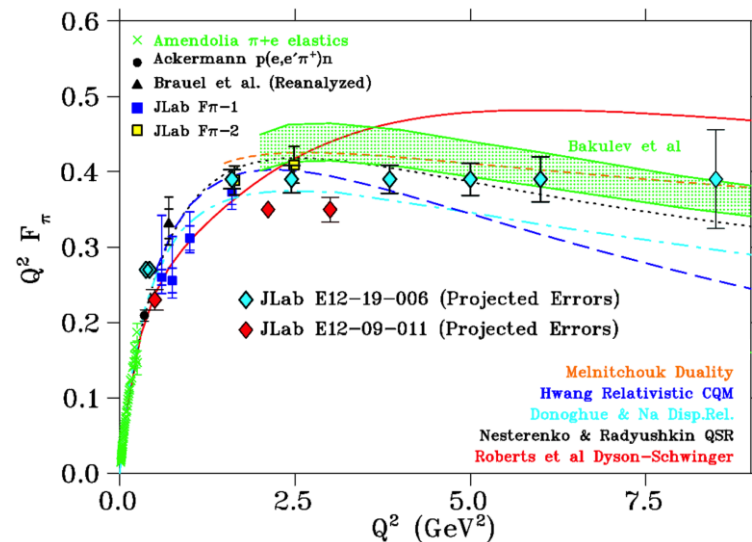
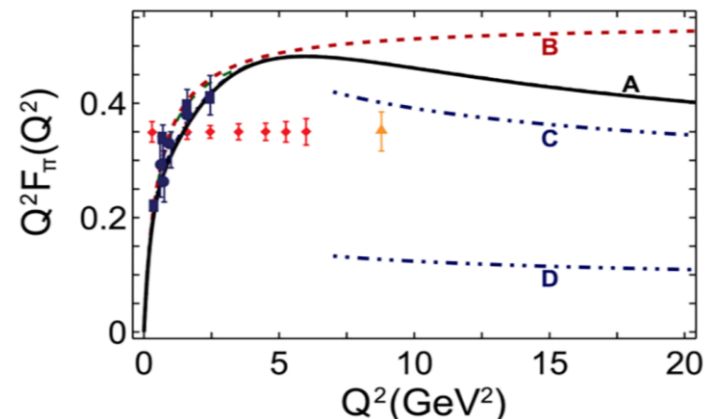


The study of the **pion form factor** is one of the **flagship goals** of the **JLab 12-GeV upgrade**... regime in which the phenomenology of **QCD** begins a **transition** from **large-** to **short-distance** scale behavior.

The **pion form factor** can potentially be measured till  **$Q^2 \sim 6-8$**  in the **12 GeV** upgrade of the **JLab**.

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The **electromagnetic form factors** of **K** can be measured till  **$5 \text{ GeV}^2$**  in the **12 GeV** upgrade of **JLab**

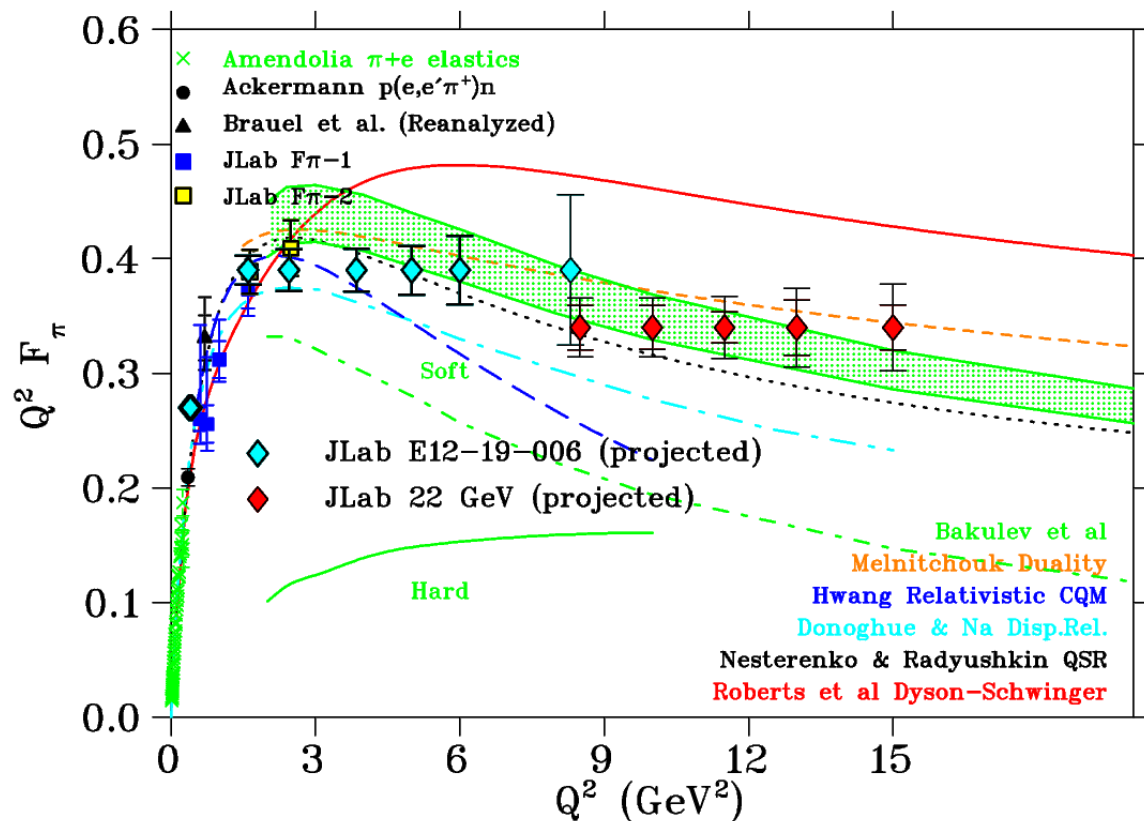


# $\pi$ and K Form Factor - JLab 22 GeV Upgrade

With a potential next  
**22-GeV** upgrade of the **JLab**, the **pion**  
**electromagnetic form factor** could be  
measured till  **$Q^2 \sim 15 \text{ GeV}^2$** .

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The **form factors** of **K** can be measured till  
10  $\text{GeV}^2$  in the **22 GeV** upgrade of **JLab**

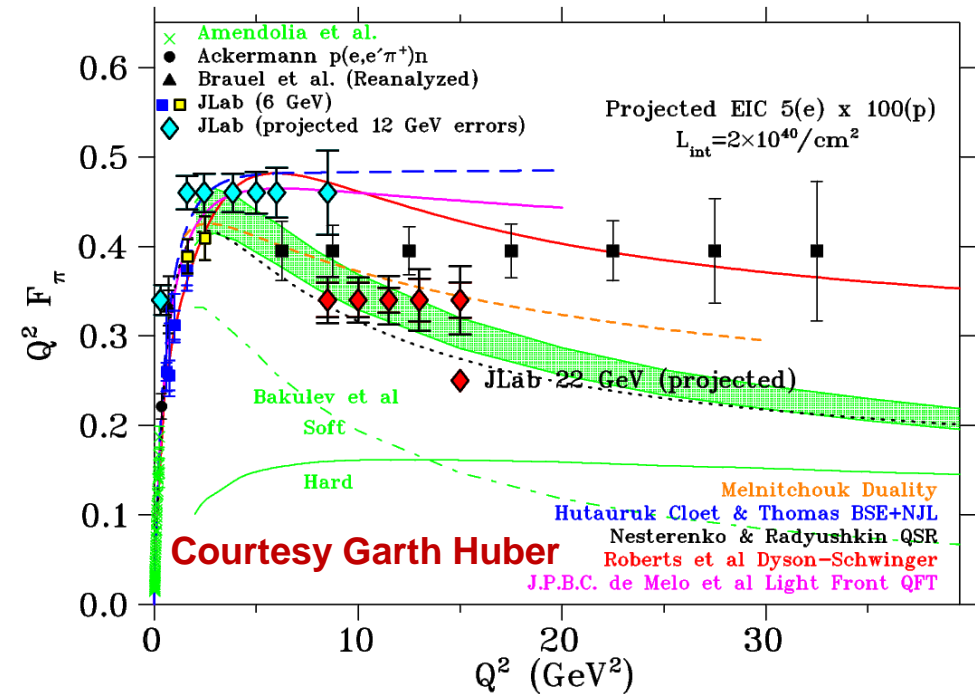
# $\pi$ and K Form Factor at Large $Q^2$ in EIC Era

**Science Question:** Can we get quantitative guidance on the **emergent pion mass** mechanism?

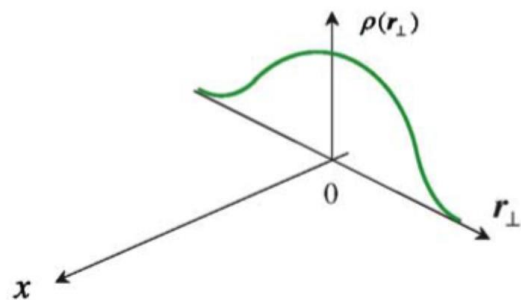
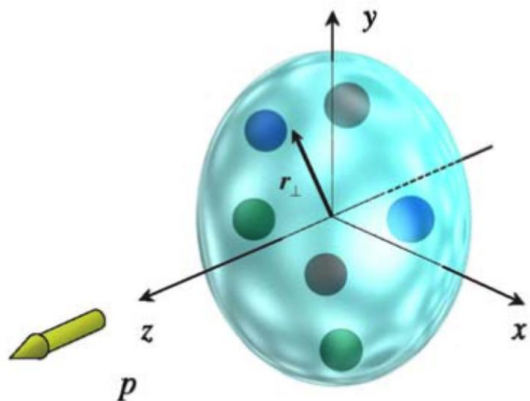
**Key measurement:** **Pion form factor** data for  **$Q^2$ : 10-40  $\text{GeV}^2$** .

**Science Question:** How much interference is between emergent and Higgs mass mechanism?

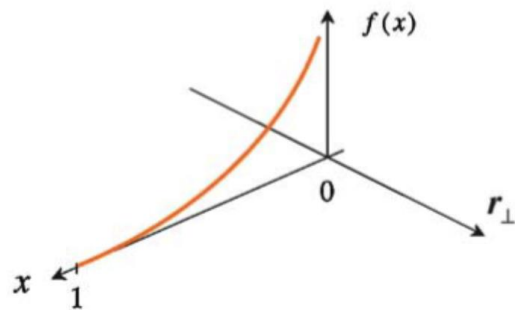
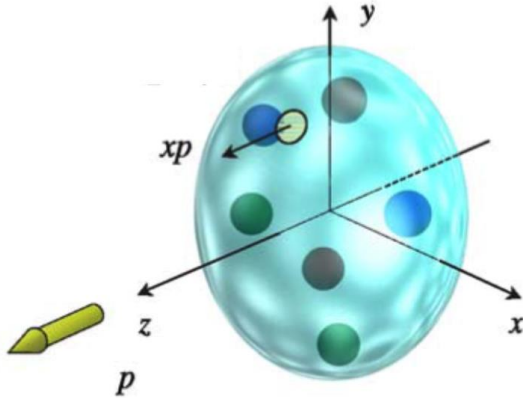
**Key measurement:** **Kaon form factor** data for  **$Q^2$ : 10-20  $\text{GeV}^2$** .



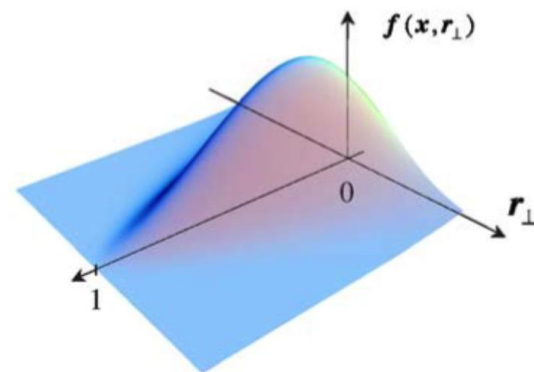
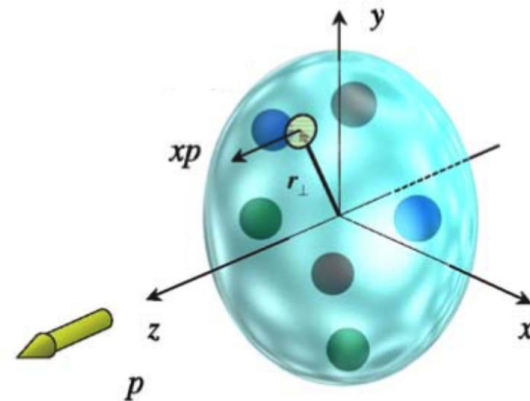
# $\pi$ and K: Towards a 3-Dimensional Picture



**Fourier transform of the  
elastic form factor**



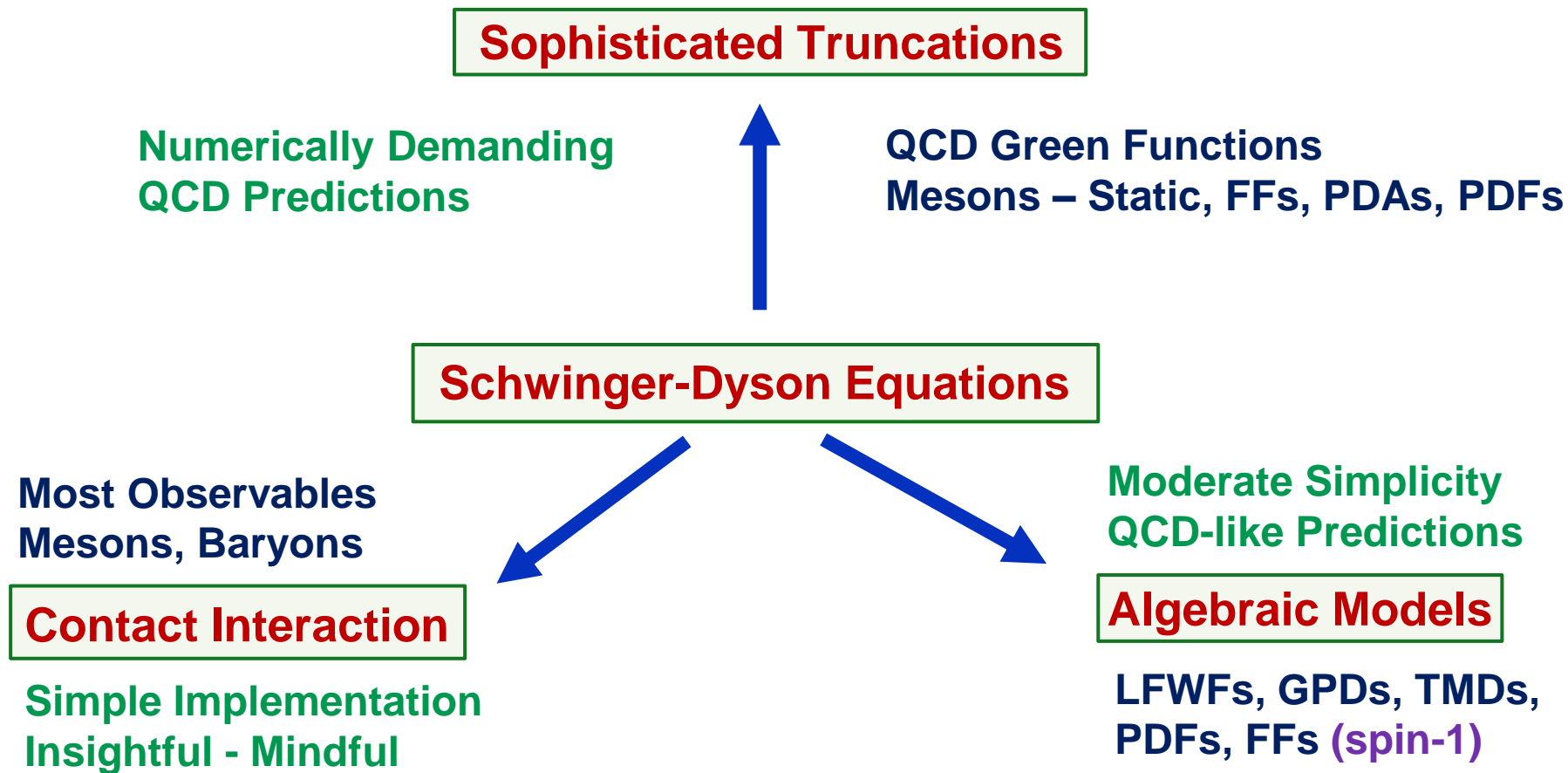
**Parton Distribution**



**Skew-less Generalized  
Parton Distribution**

# Towards Algebraic Models

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# The Algebraic Model (AM)

- It retains the **constant term** from original models, setting it to  $M_q$ .
- There is a **term linear** in  $w$  with the coefficient  $(M_h^2 - M_q^2)$ . For same **flavored quarks**, it ceases to contribute by construction.
- There is a **quadratic term**  $w^2$  with coefficient  $m_M^2$ . The condition  

$$|M_{\bar{h}} - M_q| \leq m_M \leq M_{\bar{h}} + M_q$$
- It guarantees the **positivity** of

$$\Lambda^2(w)$$

**The quark propagator:**

$$S_{q(\bar{h})}(k) = [-i\gamma \cdot k + M_{q(\bar{h})}] \Delta(k^2, M_{q(\bar{h})}^2)$$

$$\Delta(s, t) = (s + t)^{-1}$$

**Bethe-Salpeter Amplitude:**

$$n_M \Gamma_M(k, P) = i\gamma_5 \int_{-1}^1 dw \rho_M(w) [\hat{\Delta}(k_w^2, \Lambda_w^2)]^\nu$$

$$\hat{\Delta}(s, t) = t\Delta(s, t), \quad k_w = k + (w/2)P$$

$M_{q(\bar{h})}$  is constituent quark mass for a given flavor

$n_M$  is a normalization constant

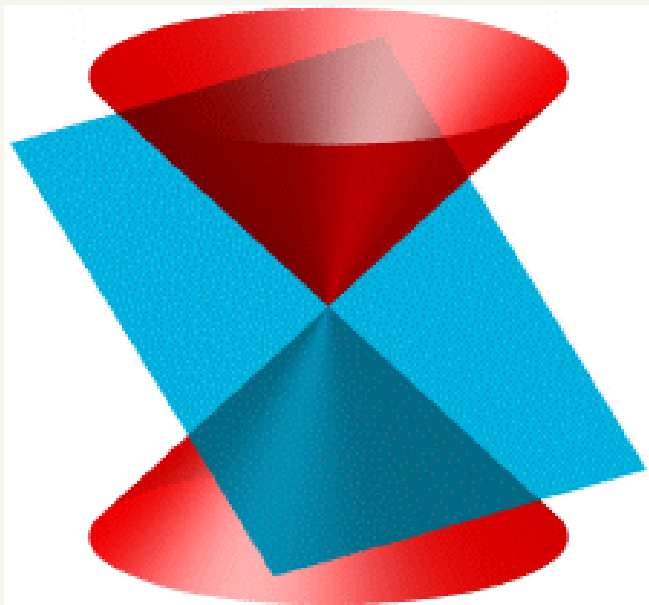
$\rho_M(w)$  is a spectral density

$$\Lambda^2(w) = M_q^2 - \frac{1}{4}(1 - w^2)m_M^2 + \frac{1}{2}(1 - w)(M_{\bar{h}}^2 - M_q^2)$$



# The Light Front Wavefunction

For a quark in pseudo-scalar meson **M**, the **leading twist** (2-particle) **light front wave function**,  $\psi_M$ , can be obtained via the light front projection of the meson's **BSWF**.



## Bethe-Salpeter Wavefunction:

$$\chi_M(k, P) = S_q(k + P/2) \Gamma_M(k, P) S_{\bar{h}}(k - P/2)$$

## Light Front Wavefunction:

$$\psi_M^q(x, k_{\perp}^2) = \text{tr} \int_{dk_{\parallel}} \delta(n \cdot k - x n \cdot P) \gamma_5 \gamma \cdot n \chi_M(k - P/2, P)$$

$$n \text{ lightlike, } n^2 = 0 \text{ and } n \cdot P = -m_M$$

**BSA:**

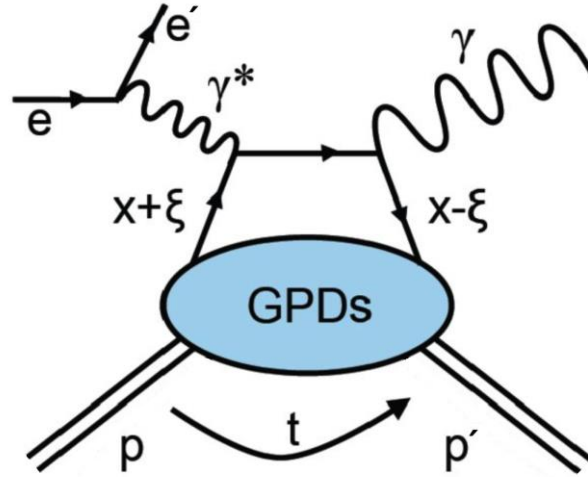
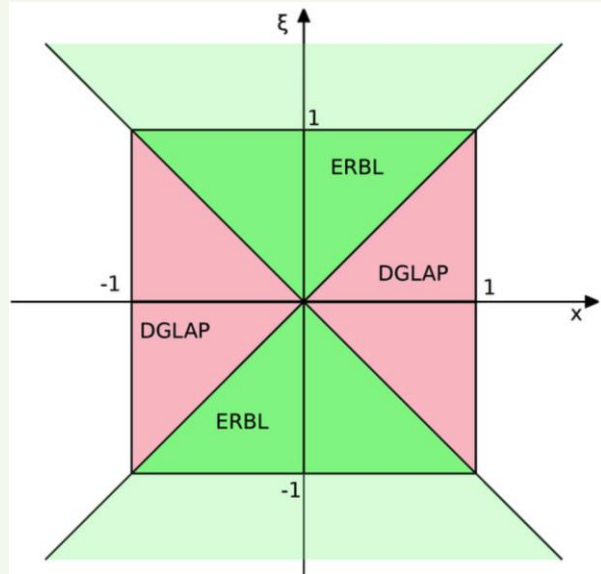
$$f_M \phi_M^q(x) = \frac{1}{16\pi^3} \int d^2 k_{\perp} \psi_M^q(x, k_{\perp}^2)$$

## The Algebraic Model:

$$\psi_M^q(x, k_{\perp}^2) = 16\pi^2 f_M \frac{\nu \Lambda_{1-2x}^{2\nu}}{(k_{\perp}^2 + \Lambda_{1-2x}^2)^{\nu+1}} \phi_M^q(x)$$

# The GPDs from the overlap representation

Valence quark **GPD** from the overlap representation of the **LFWF**. Both  $x$  and  $\xi$  have support on  $[-1, 1]$ . The overlap representation is only valid in the **DGLAP** region,  $|x| > \xi$ .



$$P = (p + p')/2$$

$$-t = \Delta^2 = (p - p')^2$$

$$x = \frac{n \cdot k}{n \cdot P}$$

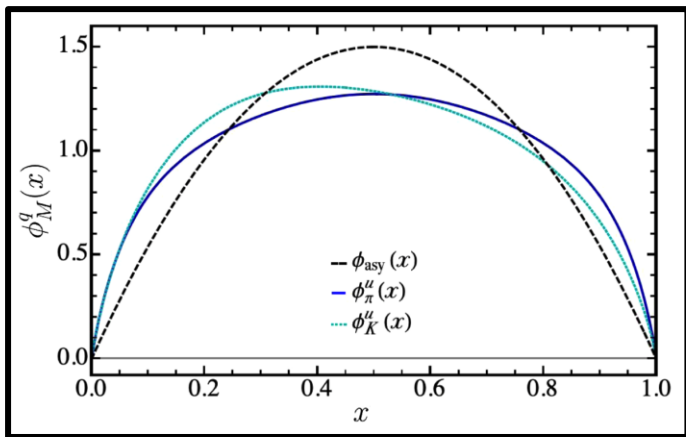
$$\xi = -\frac{n \cdot \Delta}{2n \cdot P}$$

$$H_M^q(x, \xi, t) = \int \frac{d^2 k_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi_M^{q*}(x^-, (\mathbf{k}_\perp^-)^2) \psi_M^q(x^+, (\mathbf{k}_\perp^+)^2)$$

$$x^\pm = \frac{x \pm \xi}{1 \pm \xi} \quad \mathbf{k}_\perp^\pm = k_\perp \mp \frac{\Delta_\perp}{2} \frac{1 - x}{1 \pm \xi}$$

$$\Delta_\perp^2 = \Delta^2(1 - \xi^2) - 4\xi^2 m_M^2$$

# From the PDAs to the LFWFs



**$\pi$  and K PDAs**

Z.-F. Cui, et. al.,  
Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 1064 (2020).

$$(\bar{x} = 1 - x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{\pi}^u(x) &= 20.226 x \bar{x} \\ &\quad [1 - 2.509 \sqrt{x \bar{x}} + 2.025 x \bar{x}] \\ \phi_K^u(x) &= 18.04 x \bar{x} \\ &\quad [1 + 5x^{0.032} \bar{x}^{0.024} - 5.97x^{0.064} \bar{x}^{0.048}]\end{aligned}$$

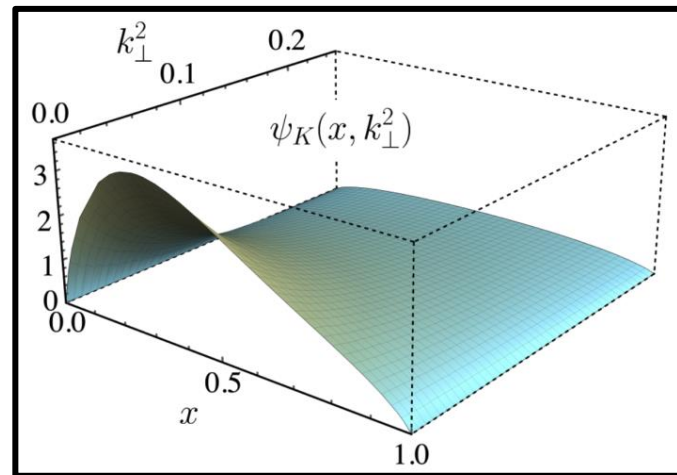
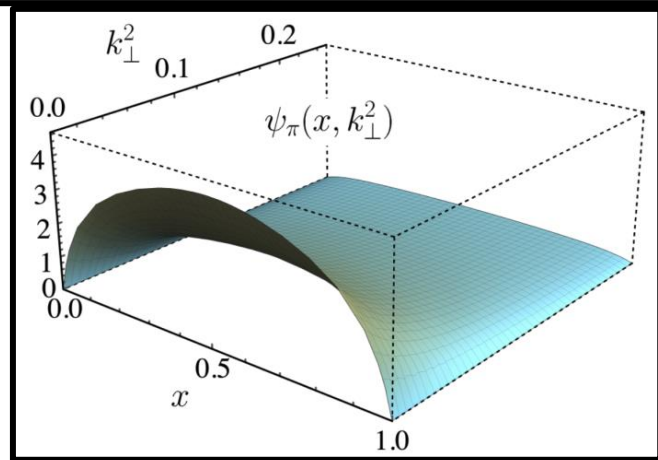
Drawing upon accumulated information on the **PDAs** of  **$\pi$**  and **K**, we parameterize them as corrections to the asymptotic PDA form on the hadronic scale.

**LFWF**  $\psi_M^q(x, k_{\perp}^2)$

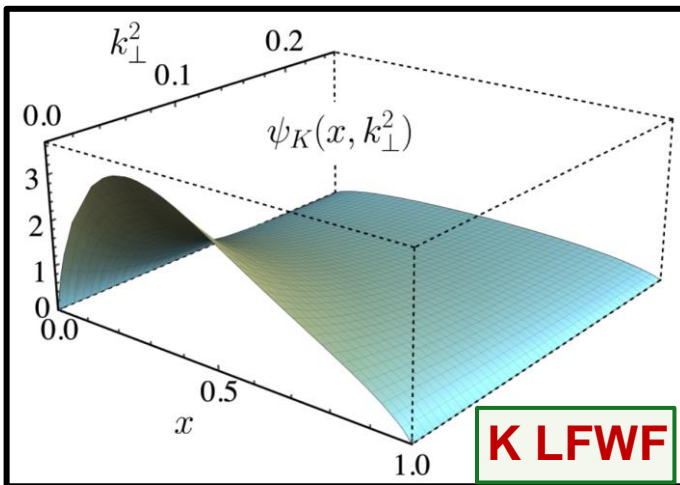
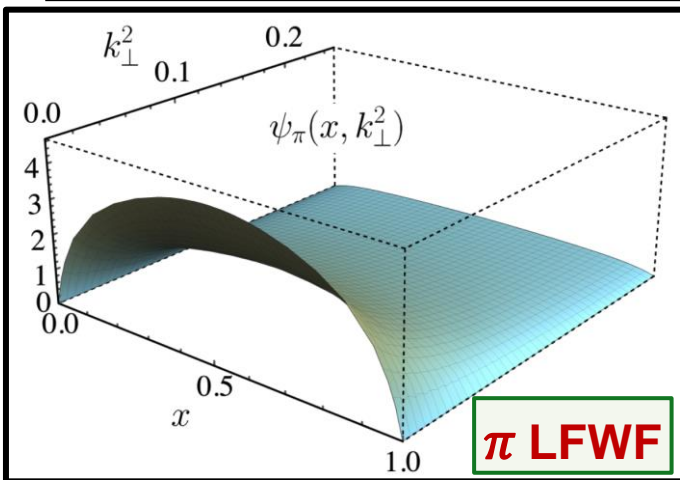


**PDA**

$$\frac{16\pi^2 f_M \nu \Lambda_{1-2x}^{2\nu}}{(k_{\perp}^2 + \Lambda_{1-2x}^2)^{\nu+1}} \phi_M^q(x)$$



# From the LFWFs to the GPDs

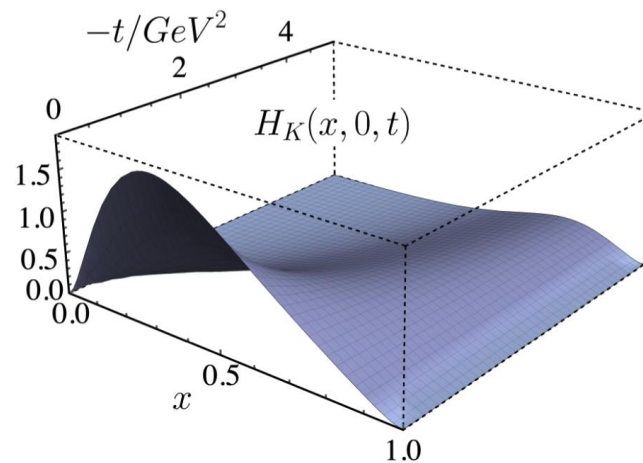
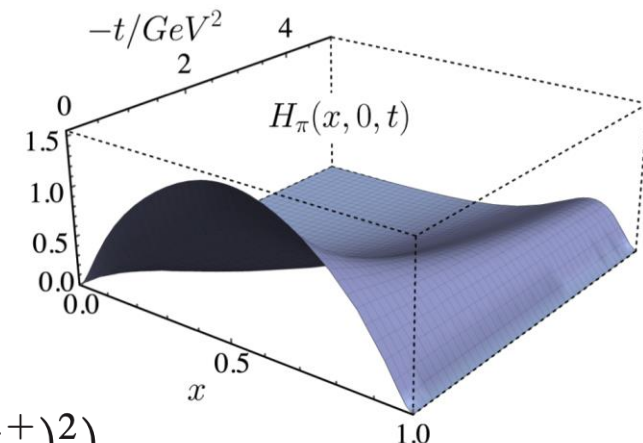


$$H_M^q(x, \xi, t)$$

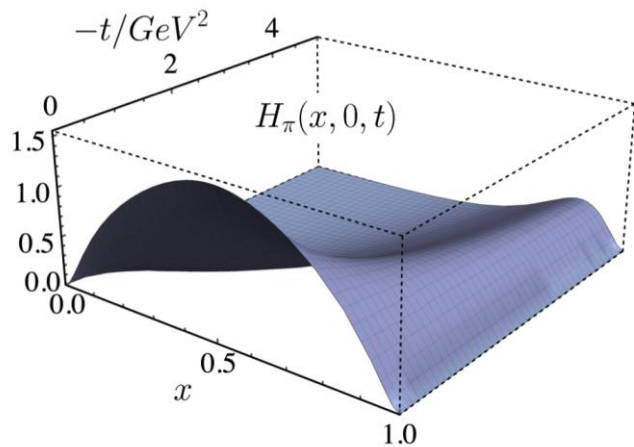
$$\int \frac{d^2 k_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi_M^{q*}(x^-, (\mathbf{k}_\perp^-)^2) \psi_M^q(x^+, (\mathbf{k}_\perp^+)^2)$$

**Overlap Representation  
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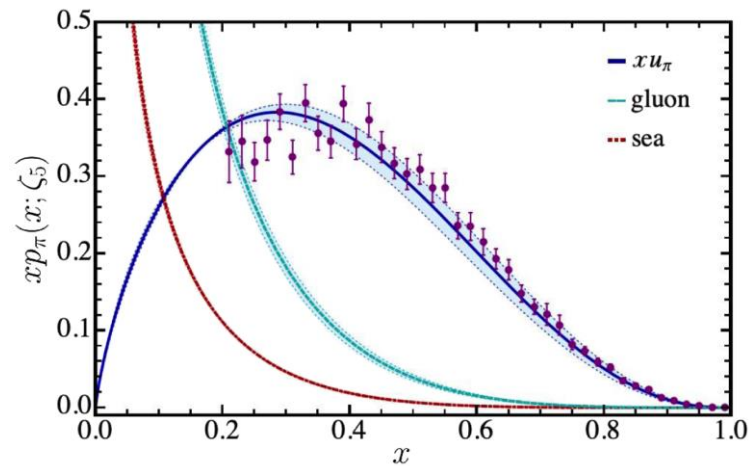
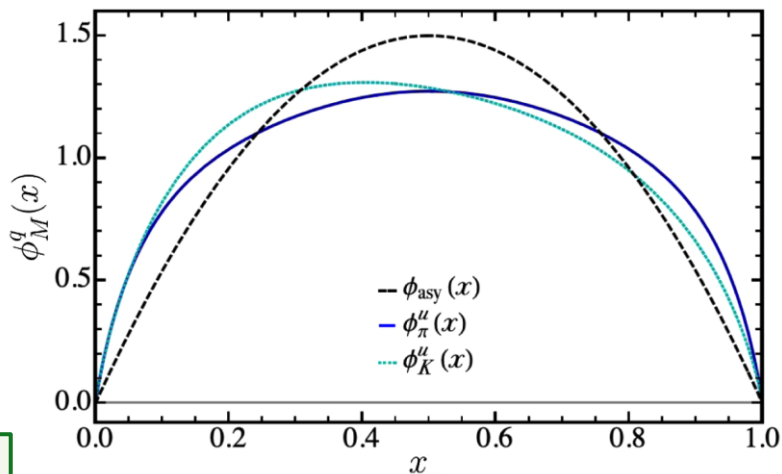
# From the GPDs to the PDFs



$$q_M(x) \equiv H_M^q(x, 0, 0)$$

**DGLAP Evolution  
Equations**

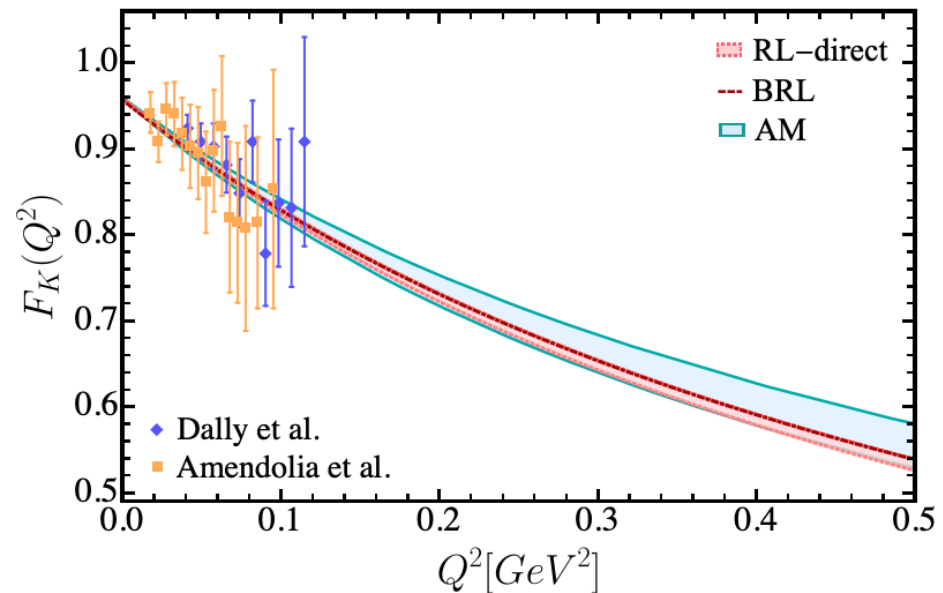
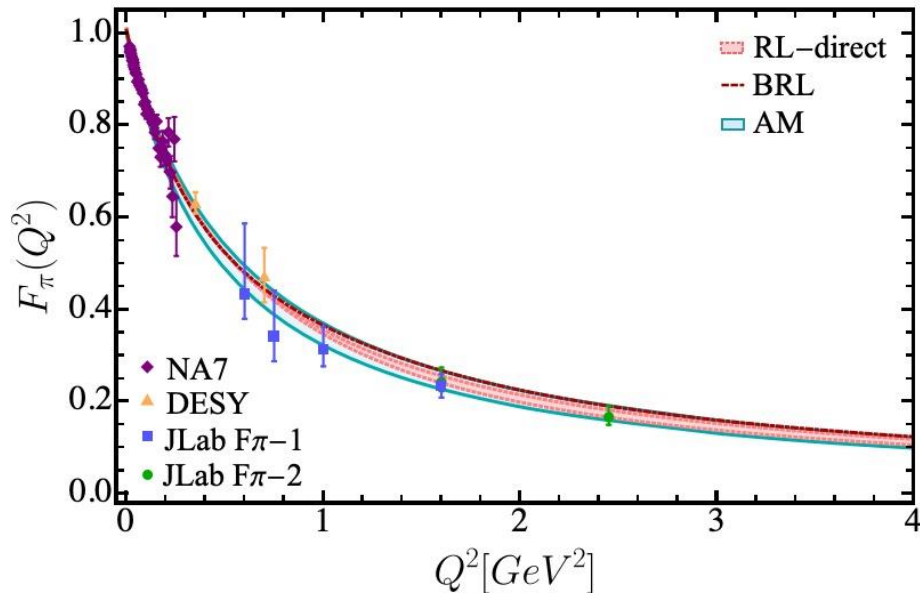
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# Completing the Cycle – Back to Form Factors

The **electromagnetic form factors** using our **algebraic model** can be obtained either through the knowledge of the **GPDs** or the direct evaluation of the **triangle diagram**.

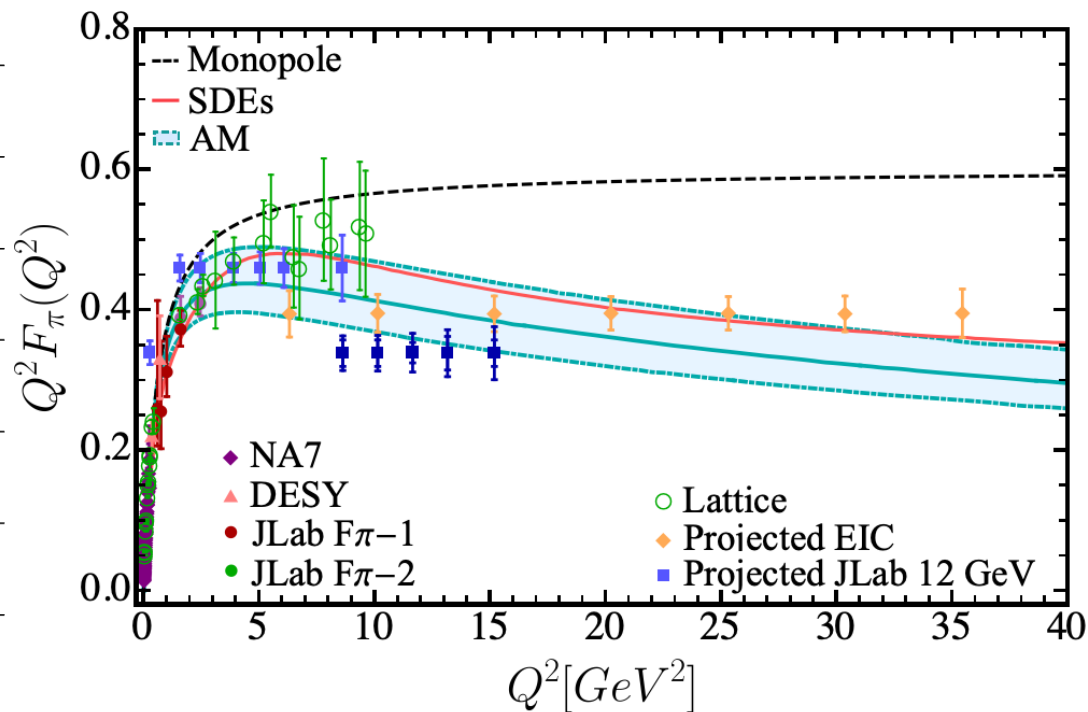
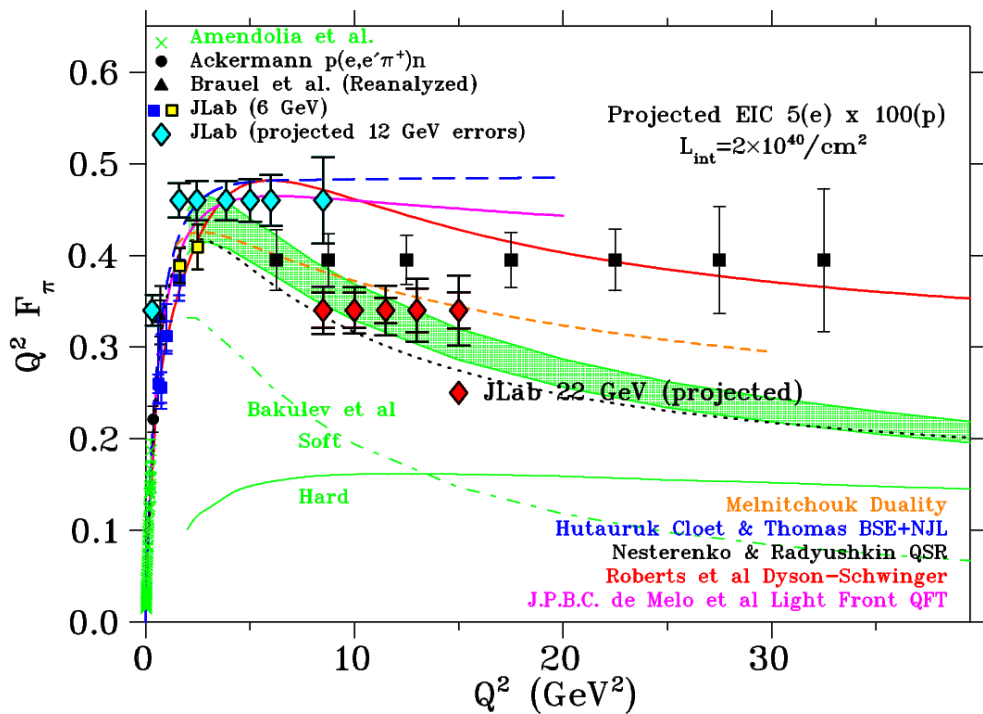
Such an exercise provides stringent constraints on the efficacy of the **algebraic model** we have constructed by direct comparison with the refined calculation of these **form factors**.





# Completing the Cycle – Back to Form Factors

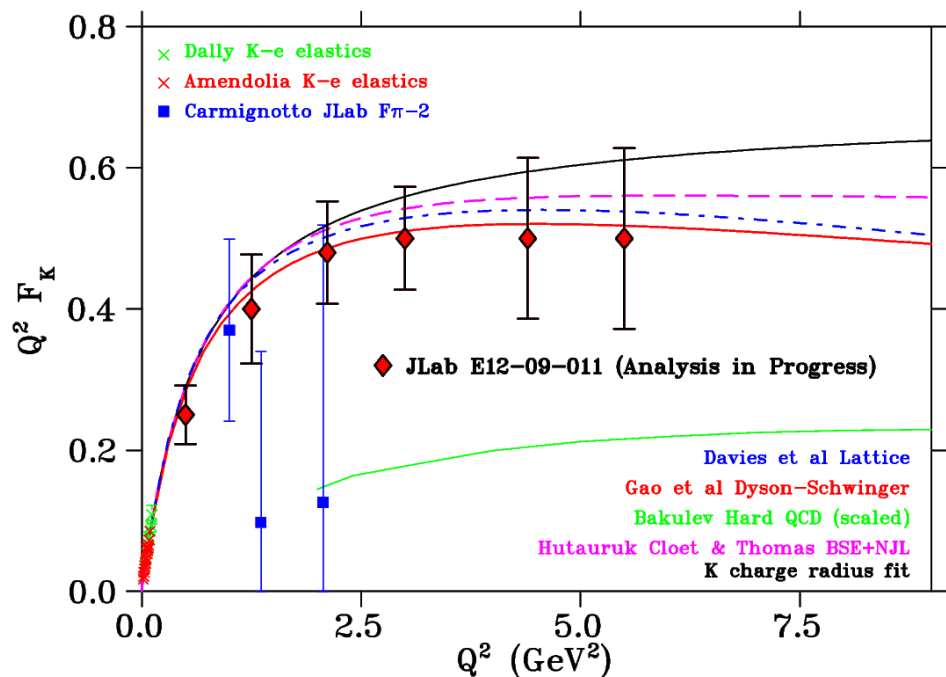
We can extend this analysis of the **Algebraic Model** to compute the **pion electromagnetic form factors** to larger  $Q^2$  range: **0-40  $\text{GeV}^2$**  which would likely cover the photon virtualities accessible to the **JLab12**, **JLab22** and **EIC programs**:



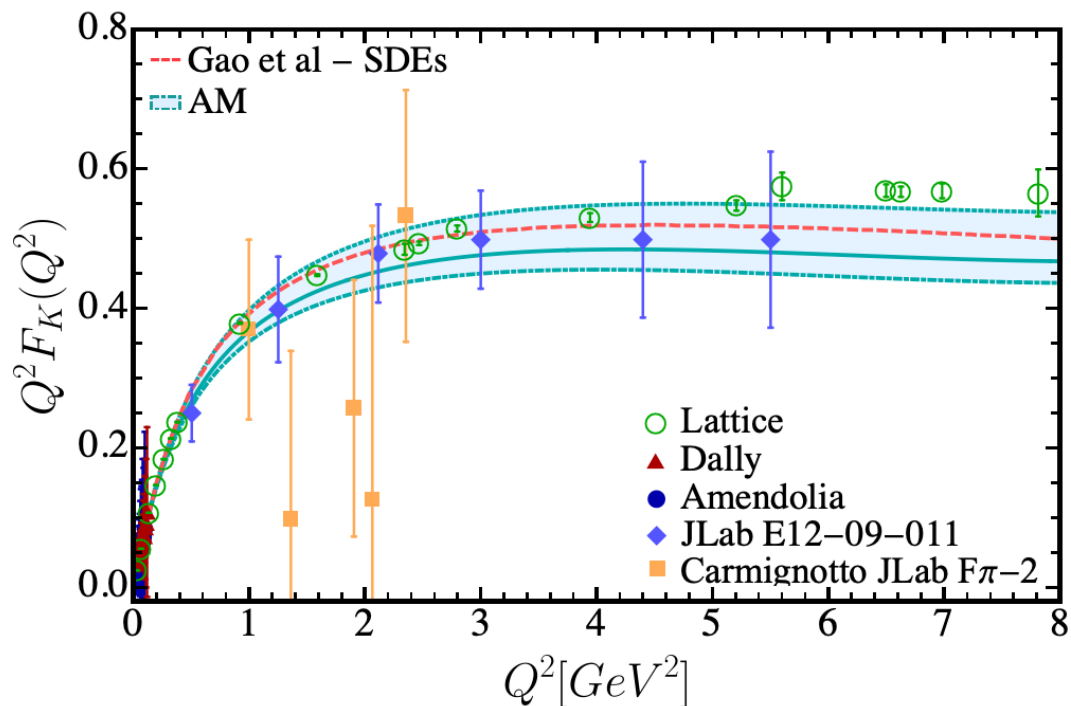
# Completing the Cycle – Back to Form Factors

There is an analysis underway of the **kaon electromagnetic form factor** till **5.5 GeV<sup>2</sup>** of the data obtained in **JLab E12-09-011** experiment.

Courtesy Garth Huber



Algebraic Model results



# Summary and Outlook

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- The interplay of **QCD akin** truncations of **Schwinger-Dyson equations** and **algebraic model** based upon these studies shed important light on the **internal structure** of **pion** and **kaon**.
- **QCD akin** refined computation of **pion** and **kaon electromagnetic form factors** at low and intermediate virtualities of the probing photon in electroproduction processes:

A. Miramontes AB, K. Raya, P. Roig, Phys. Rev. D 105 (2022) 7, 074013

L. Chang, I.C. Cloët, C.D. Roberts, S.M. Schmidt, P.C. Tandy, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 14, 141802

- Results for the **pion electromagnetic form factor** at large photon virtualities accessible to the potential **22GeV upgrade** of the **JLab** and **EIC** are also available:

L. Chang, I.C. Cloët, C.D. Roberts, S.M. Schmidt, P.C. Tandy, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 14, 141802

J. Arrington, et al. (Feb 23, 2021, J.Phys. G 48 (2021) 7, 075106

- More recently, **pion** and **kaon form factors** have been computed in the the **time-like region**

A.S. Miramontes, H. Sanchis Alepuz, R. Alkofer, Phys. Rev. D 103 (2021) 11, 116006

A.S. Miramontes, AB, Phys. Rev. D 107 (2023) 1, 014016

# Summary and Outlook

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- Carefully constructed **Algebraic Models** can enable computation of the **GPDs**, **PDFs** and **EFF** with relative ease which is reminiscent of a **contact interaction** while mimicking the reliability of **QCD akin** refined truncations of **Schwinger-Dyson equations**.

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- Despite these encouraging results and synergy with experimental endeavors at **JLab** and **EIC**, further improvements and extensions in the **continuum QCD approach** are desirable.
- Deeper research into the theoretical foundations of the truncations involved at the level of the **Green functions** of the fundamental degrees of freedom, i.e., **quarks**, **gluons**, as well as **quark-gluon** and **gluon-gluon** interactions continues vigorously.
- **Schwinger-Dyson equations** have also been of substantial success in the studies of **baryons** such as the **transition form factors** of **nucleon** to its **excited states** which is a hallmark of **CLAS**, **CLAS12** and **CLAS22** programs at **JLab** and hold the promise to offer a reliable tool for the future **JLab** and **EIC era** research into the heart of **hadronic matter**.

**Thank you for your attention**