

Lattice QCD for Hadron Structure and Interactions

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Lattice QCD

- IsoQCD simulations
- $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ dynamical quarks
- $M_\pi \geq 250$ MeV
- lattice spacings $a \geq 0.06$ fm

Finite Volume Formalism

- two-particle, single channel formalism developed
- attractive and repulsive interactions

Hadron Interaction Results

- $\pi\pi$ at maximal isospin and ρ for at most a few pion masses and lattice spacings
- scalar mesons with unphysical approximations
- $\pi\Sigma$ or Kp meson-baryon with no control of systematics
- baryon-baryon scattering with no control of systematics (at very unphysical pion mass values)

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Parton Distribution Functions

- only Mellin moments $\langle x^n \rangle$ were accessible
- x dependence cannot not be calculated directly
- even moments computed mostly with approximations (quenched, no disconnecteds, ...)
- nucleon well covered
- little available for pion / kaon

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- Juqueen: 5.9 Pflops



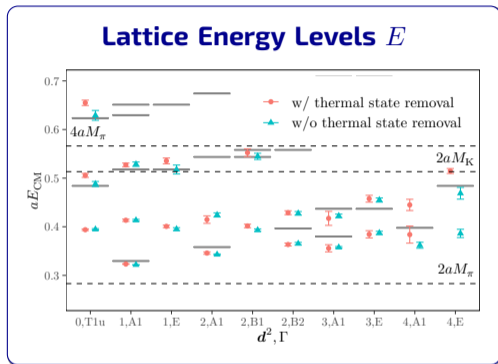
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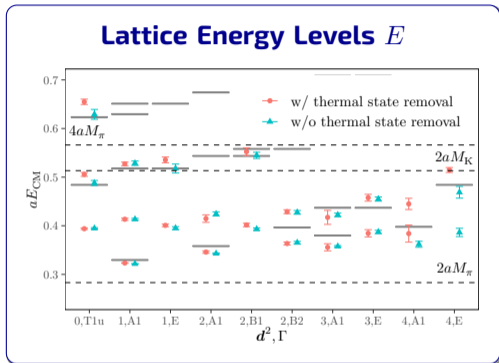


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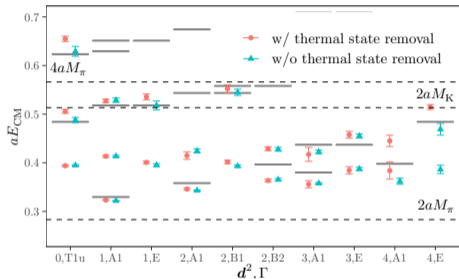
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Continuum Interaction Parameters

obtained via fits to δ at n discrete scattering energies E_i

Lüscher Method: The Simplest Case

- consider only S -wave, no mixing, and assume finite range expansion

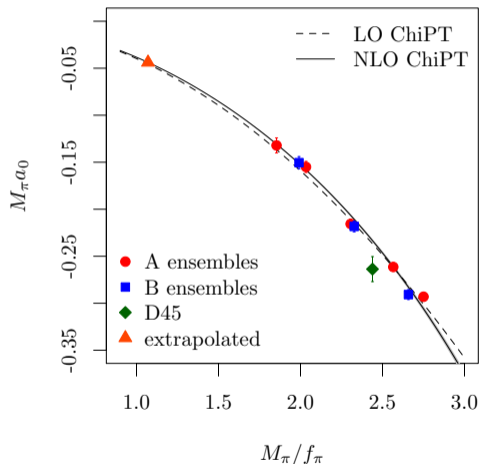
$$\Delta E = -\frac{2\pi a_0}{\mu L^3} \left(1 + c_1 \frac{a_0}{L} + c_2 \frac{a_0^2}{L^2} + c_3 \frac{a_0^3}{L^3} \dots \right)$$

- The scattering length a_0 can be determined by inverting this equation!
- c_i known, L the box extent, μ the reduced two particle non-interacting mass
- works excellent e.g. for $\pi\pi$ scattering with $I = 0, 2$

$\pi\pi$ -Scattering I

- $\pi\pi$ at $I = 2$ \Rightarrow benchmark system
- weakly repulsive
- parameter free LOChiPT prediction
- three lattice spacings, different volumes
- found only very small deviations from LO chiral perturbation theory
- similar results for πK and KK scattering

[ETMC, C. Helmes et al., JHEP 09 (2015) 109]

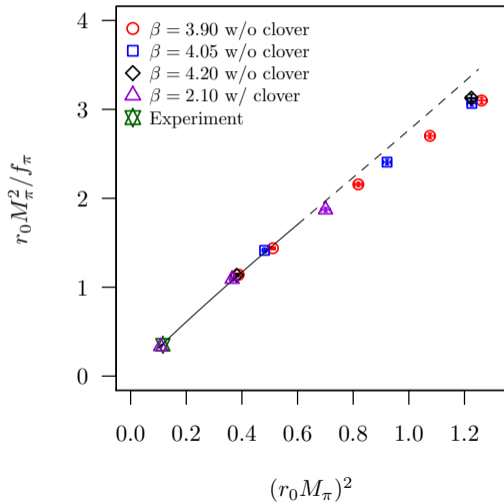


... arriving at the physical point in 2015

- inclusion of clover term in ETMC ensembles
- further reduction in lattice artefacts made physical point possible
- proof of concept in $N_f = 2$ flavour QCD at single lattice spacing value

[ETMC, Abdel-Rehim et al., Phys.Rev.D 95 (2017) 9, 094515]

- actual goal: $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ physical point



$\pi\pi$ -Scattering II

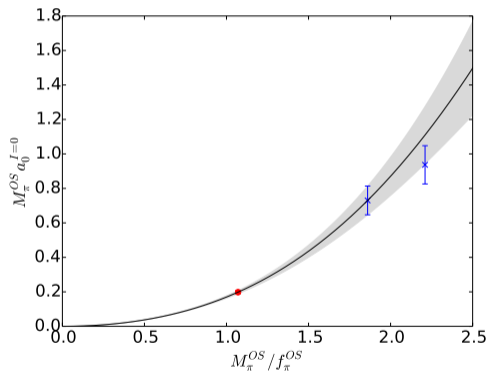
- $I = 0$ two pion scattering
- much more challenging due to fermionic disconnected contributions
- mixed action due to flavour symmetry breaking in Wilson twisted mass

[Liu et al., Phys.Rev.D 96 (2017) 5, 054516]

$$M_\pi a_0^{I=1} = 0.198(9)(6)$$

- significant systematic effects expected

[Draper, Sharpe, Phys.Rev.D 105 (2022) 3, 034508]



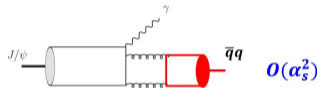
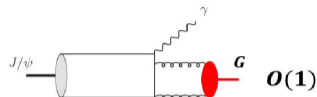
Balls with Glue? Radiative J/ψ Decays

- can one identify one of the ten scalar mesons as predominantly a glueball?
- highly non-trivial question (and maybe not well defined)
- radiative decays of J/ψ might be a good place to look for scalar glueballs
- decay into $\bar{q}q$ naïvly suppressed by α_s^2
- here: exploratory quenched study, two lattice spacings

[L.Gui, et al. (CLQCD), Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 021601 (2013)]

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- **not** based on Lüscher method
- matrix element

$$\propto \langle G | j^\mu | J/\psi \rangle$$

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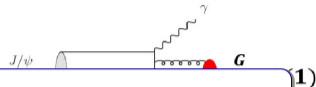
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Main conclusion

$$\Gamma(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \rightarrow G_{0+})/\Gamma_{\text{tot}} = 3.8(9) \times 10^{-3} \text{ from LQCD}$$

consistent with $f_0(1710)$ PDG production rate

$$\text{BR}(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \rightarrow \gamma f_0(1710)) = 1.9 \times 10^{-3}$$

and inconsistent with rates of other scalar mesons.

Quenched, so systematics are uncontrolled!

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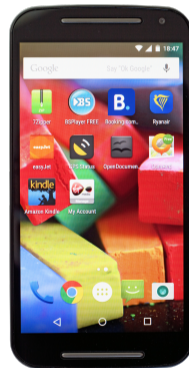
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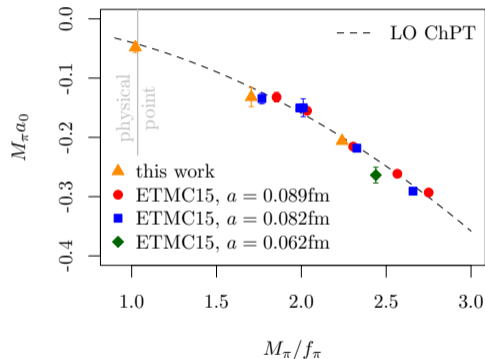
- $N_f = 2$ results for the $I = 2$ scattering length

- confirm the previous extrapolation

- and mass dependence

[Fischer et al., Eur.Phys.J.C 81 (2021) 5, 436]

- physical point ensemble significantly noisier



A Third Particle Enters the Game

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- Three-pion decays of
 $K, \eta, \omega, a_1(1260), a_1(1420)$
- Decays of exotica, e.g.:
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EFTs

Interaction Properties
Infinite Volume, possibly complex

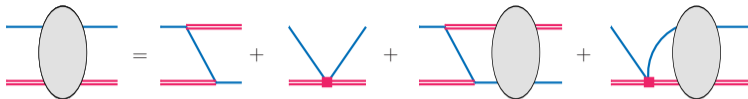
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Three equivalent EFTs

- RFT (Relativistic Field Theory)
[Hansen, Sharpe, 2014]
- NREFT (Non-relativistic EFT)
[Hammer, Pang, Rusetsky, 2017]
- FVU (Finite Volume Unitarity)
[Mai, Döring, 2017]

The Quantization Condition in Non-Relativistic EFT



Bethe-Salpeter equation

[Hammer, Pang, Rusetsky, 2017]

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) = Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) + 8\pi \int^\Lambda \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3 2w(\mathbf{k})} Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}; E) \tau(\mathbf{k}; E) \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}; E)$$

$$Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) = \frac{1}{2w(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})(w(\mathbf{p}) + w(\mathbf{q}) + w(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}) - E)} + \underbrace{\tilde{H}_0}_{\text{data: 3-particle sector}} + \dots$$

$$\text{2-body amplitude: } 4w(k^*)\tau^{-1}(\mathbf{k}; E) = \underbrace{k^* \cot \delta(k^*)}_{\text{data: 2-particle sector}} + \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{s_2}{4} - m^2}}_{=k^*}$$

Finite volume: $\mathbf{p} = \frac{2\pi}{L} \mathbf{n}$, $\mathbf{n} \in \mathbb{Z}^3$, poles of the scattering matrix \Rightarrow spectrum

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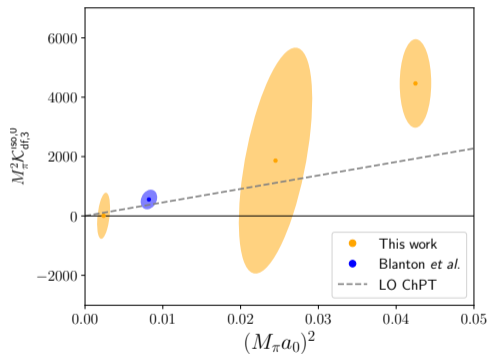
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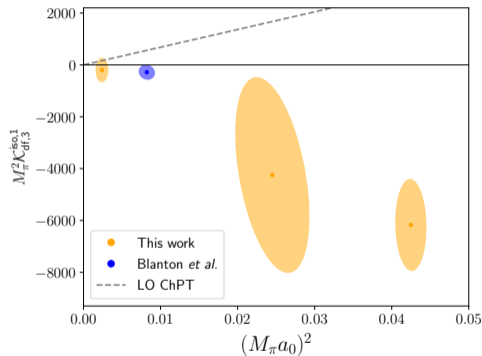
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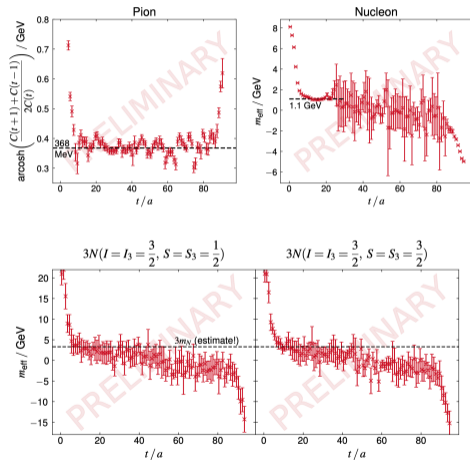
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First (and last?) LQCD attempt at the 3-neutron system

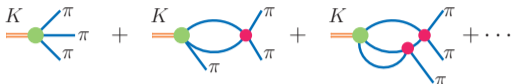
- 3-neutrons: the really hard stuff!
exponentially error growth
- Developed interpolating operators and contraction codes for p -wave $S = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{2}$ three-neutron system
- Measurements performed on $48^3 \times 96$ Clover lattices with $m_\pi \approx 370$ MeV
- No signal due to noise (not surprising)



[Wynen, Luu, et al., <https://doi.org/10.22323/1.334.0092> (2018)]

The 3-particle analog of the Lellouch-Lüscher formula

- Final-state interactions lead to an irregular L -dependence of the matrix element



[Müller & Rusetsky, 2020]

- The non-relativistic Lagrangian

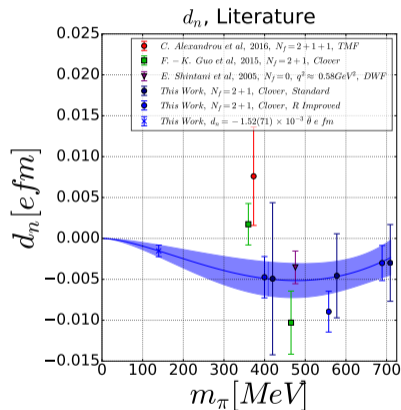
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \phi^\dagger (i\partial_t - w)(2w)\phi + \frac{C_0}{4} \phi^\dagger \phi^\dagger \phi \phi + \dots + \frac{D_0}{36} \phi^\dagger \phi^\dagger \phi^\dagger \phi \phi \phi \\ & + K^\dagger (i\partial_t - w_K)(2w_K)K + g(K^\dagger \phi \phi \phi + \text{h.c.}) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- Calculate the decay matrix element in a **finite** and in the **infinite** volume, extract g
- Matrix elements are related through

$$|\langle n | H_W | K \rangle_L| = \underbrace{\mathbb{L}_3(L)}_{\text{depends on pion interactions}} |\langle \pi\pi\pi; \text{out} | H_W | K \rangle_\infty|$$

Nucleon EDM and the Gradient Flow

- Gradient flow (GF) protects us from systematic errors associated with the lattice spacing
- Used GF + LQCD+ θ -term to calculate induced nucleon EDM
- Performed chiral + continuum extrapolations
- Accounted for finite-volume mixing of form factors



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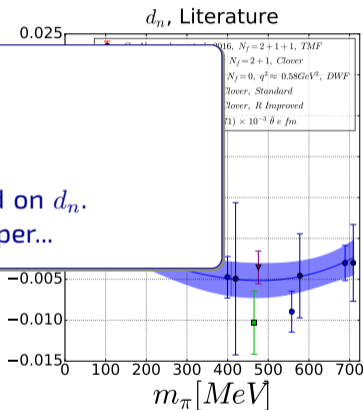
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limit on $\bar{\theta}$

$$|\bar{\theta}| < 1.98 \times 10^{-10}$$

using the experimental bound on d_n .
more predictions in the paper...



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[Garofalo, Romero-López, Rusetsky, Urbach, 2023]

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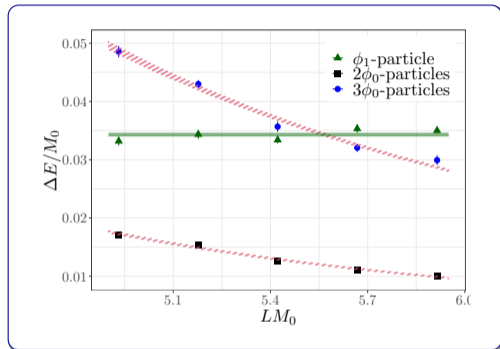
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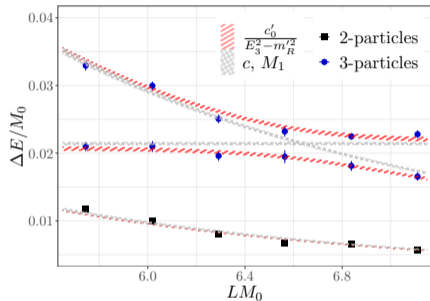
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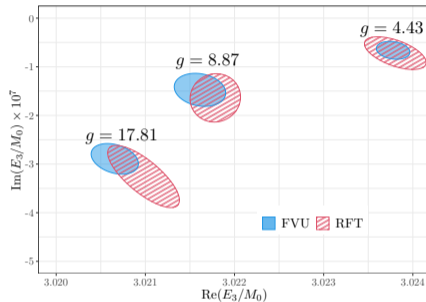
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- at $g > 0$ avoided level crossing



First observation in
a Lattice calculation

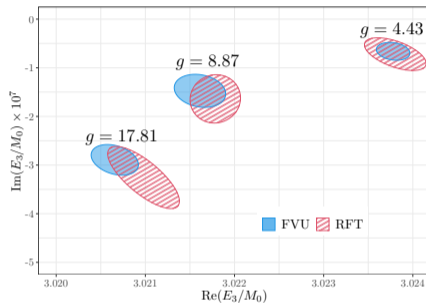
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Equivalence of FVU and RFT shown in practice in controlled model

J/ψ decays in $N_f = 2$ Flavour Lattice QCD

$J/\psi \rightarrow \eta_2$ decay

- similar methodology as the quenched radiative J/ψ decay study
- result

$$\Gamma(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\eta_2) = 0.385(45) \text{ keV}$$

[X. Jiang et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 130, 061901 (2023)]

- assume $U_A(1)$ anomaly and particular value of the mixing angle θ : predictions for η/η' consistent with PDG
- see also other η_2 CRC110 study

[Dimopoulos et al., Phys.Rev.D 99 (2019) 3, 034511]

$J/\psi \rightarrow 3\gamma$ decay

- rare decay as precision QCD test
- calculation involves Euclidean 4-point function
- only decay width calculated

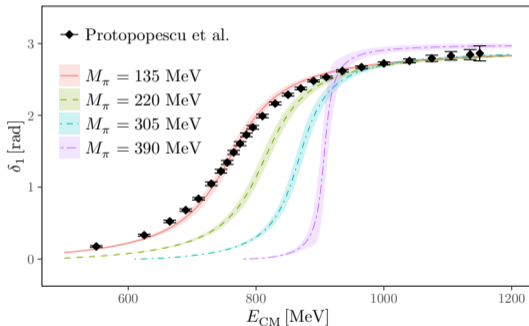
$$\Gamma \approx 1.5(3) \text{ eV}$$

[Meng et al., Phys.Rev.D 102 (2020) 5, 054506]

- agreement with experiment within errors
- Lattice Dalitz plot can be directly compared

ρ -Meson to the Limits

- ρ -resonance a poster Breit-Wigner resonance
- best studied resonance from Lattice QCD
- first continuum extrapolated analysis performed in CRC110
[\[Werner et al., Phys.Lett.B 819 \(2021\) 136449\]](#)
- chiral extrapolation based on VMEFT
- still: large systematic effects expected

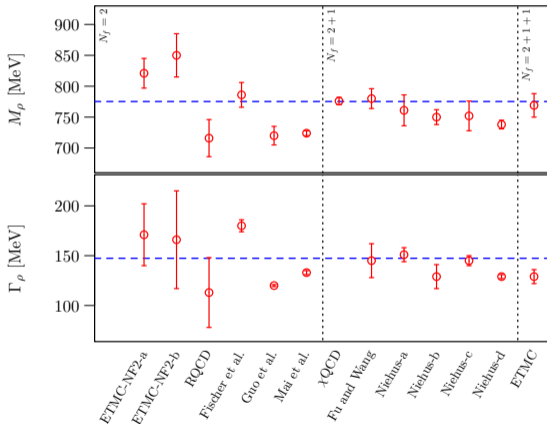


ρ -Meson Summary

- comprehensive comparison in CRC110 review paper

[Mai, Meißner, Urbach, Phys. Rept. 1001 (2023) 1-66]

- uncertainties shrink over time
- but there are still discrepancies
- calculation at physical pion mass with several lattice spacings needed!



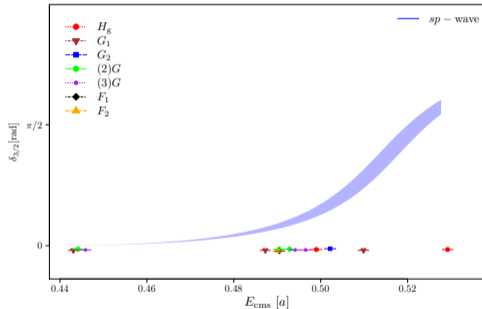
Elastic πN -scattering and the Δ Resonance

- Δ : lowest lying baryon resonance
- determination at physical pion mass
- single lattice spacing / volume
- includes S - and P -wave mixing
- example P -wave phase shift
- they obtain

$$M_\pi a_0^{3/2} = 0.13(4)$$

$$M_R = 1269(45)\text{MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_R = 144(181)\text{MeV}$$



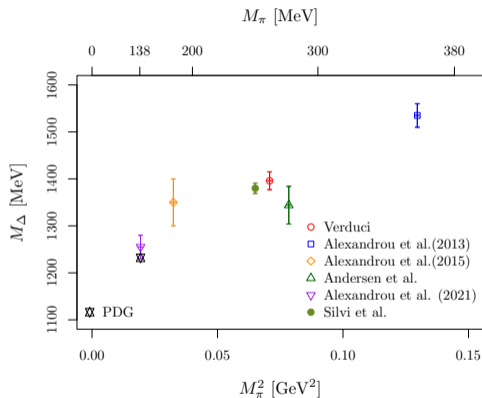
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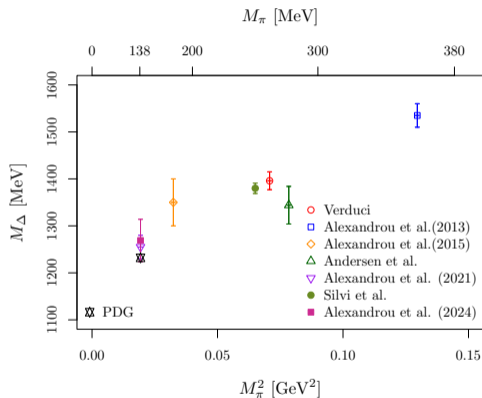
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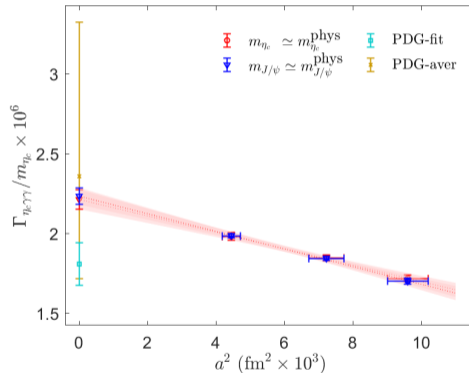


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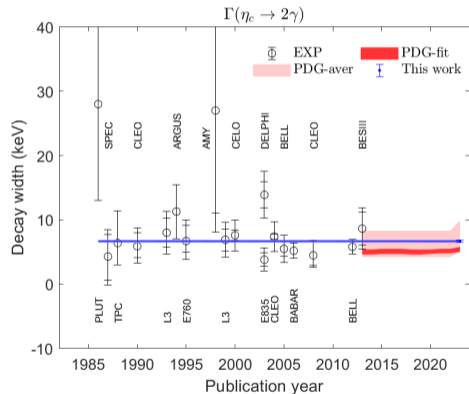
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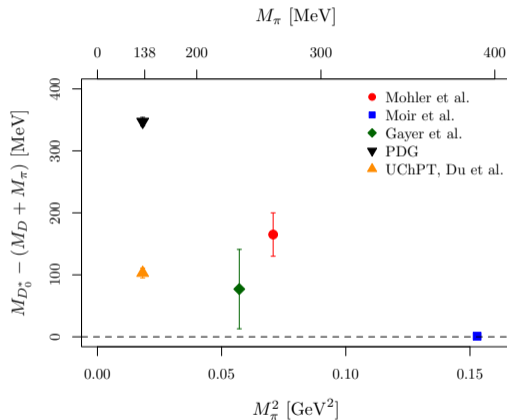
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$D\pi$ -scattering and the $D_0^*(2300)$

- open charm, $J^P = 0^+$ and $I = 1/2$, decay to $D\pi$
- slightly above $D\pi$ threshold
- expect two pole structure

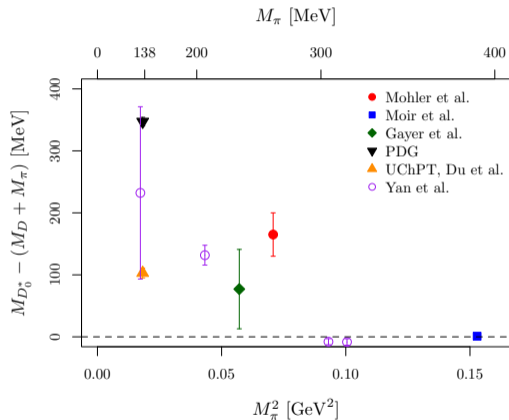
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$D\pi$ -scattering and the $D_0^*(2300)$

- open charm, $J^P = 0^+$ and $I = 1/2$, decay to $D\pi$
- slightly above $D\pi$ threshold
- expect two pole structure
[\[Du et al., PRD 98 \(9\) \(2018\), 094018\]](#)
- new Lattice results by H. Yan (CLQCD)
[\[Yan et al., arXiv:2405.13479\]](#)
- virtual state below $M_\pi \approx 300$ MeV
- inconclusive at M_π^{phys}
- requires a coupled channel analysis!



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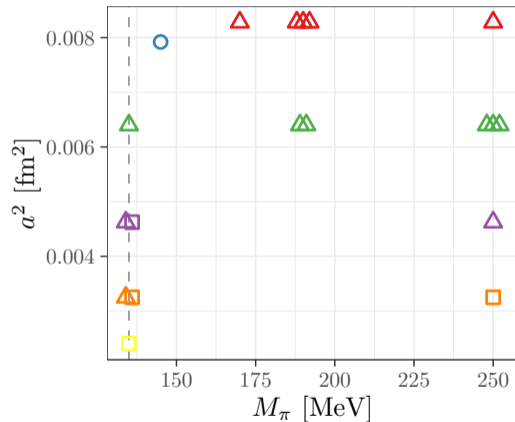
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Need to:

- investigate pion mass dependence
- study lattice spacing dependence
- perform a full coupled channel investigation

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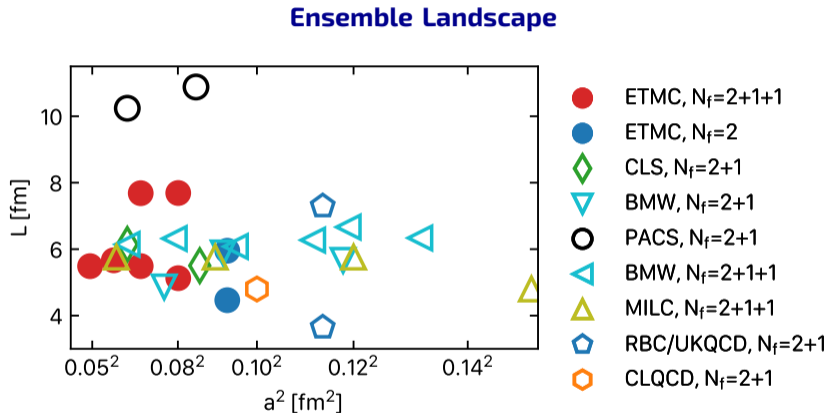
- ensemble generation requires significant effort
- major code development and optimisation
[ETMC, Kostrzewa et al, PoS LATTICE2022 (2023) 340, ...]
- significant investment within CRC110
- many physics results produced and in the pipeline!
- highly competitive set of Lattice QCD ensembles



[B. Kostrzewa]

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[G. Koutsou]

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Parton Distribution Functions from Lattice QCD

Two approaches available:

Mellin moments of PDFs

- compute moments $\langle x^n \rangle$

[Martinelli, Sachrajda, Phys.Lett.B 196, (1987)]

$$\langle x^n \rangle = \int_0^1 x^n f(x) dx$$

- based on local operator matrix elements
- limited to lowest few moments
- full reconstruction of PDF difficult

Quasi/Pseudo PDFs

- compute pseudo/quasi/... PDFs directly

[Ji, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 262002 (2013), ...]

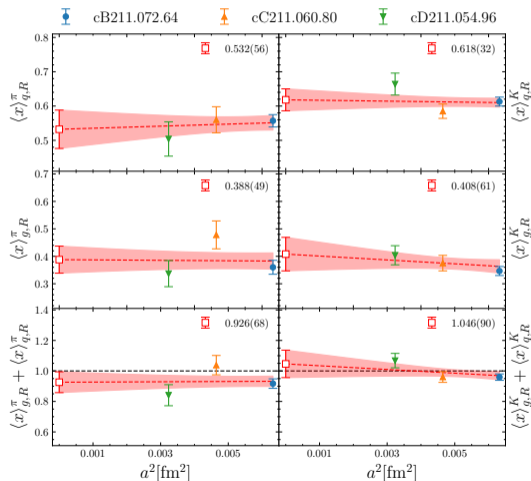
- access to full x -dependence
- intricate renormalisation procedure
- need to match quasi to physical PDFs
- make sure LaMET converges

Pion and Kaon Momentum Decomposition

- ETMC $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ calculation of $\langle x \rangle$

[ETMC, Alexandrou et al., arXiv:2405.08529 and Phys.Rev.Lett. 127 (2021) 25, 252001]

- three lattice spacings
- physical pion mass values
- non-perturbative renormalisation
- mixing perturbative
- sum-rule fulfilled within errors for pion/kaon
- marginal difference between pion and kaon



Transverse Momentum Dependent PDFs

- go beyond 1d picture of partons
- relevant in semi-inclusive DIS
- 3d picture via transverse momentum \vec{k}_T (or transverse separation \vec{b})

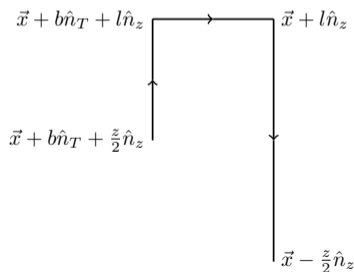
$$f^{\text{TMD}}(x, b, \mu, \zeta)$$

- additional scale ζ to regulate soft radiation
- lattice calculation via quasi PDF \tilde{f}

- \tilde{f} related (Fourier Trafo) to purely spatial correlator

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \langle H(P_z) | \mathcal{O}(b, l, z) | H(P_z) \rangle$$

- with staple shaped operator \mathcal{O}



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- Soft function, Collins-Soper kernel, perturbative matching all available

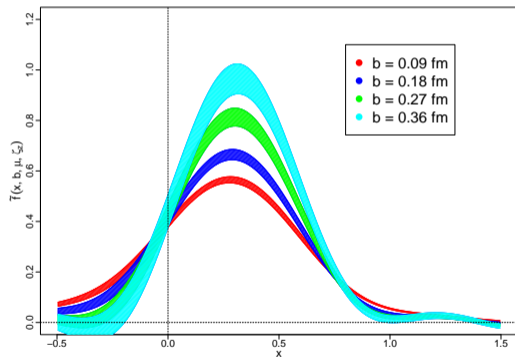
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114503, Li et al., Phys.Rev.Lett. 128 (2022) 6, 062002]

- exploratory investigation
- $24^3 \times 48$ lattice at 350 MeV
- $P_z = 1.7$ GeV
- more on GPDs and twist-3

[Bhattacharya et al.: PRD109 (2024) 3, 034508; PRD106 (2022) 11,114512;

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pros

- matrix elements of stable states
- technically less involved
- less noise

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- mixing with lower dimensional operators in twisted mass
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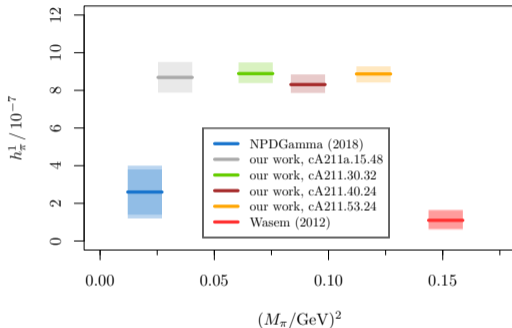
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[\[Petschlies et al., Eur.Phys.J.A 60 \(2024\) 1\]](#)
- renormalisation still missing
- flat pion mass dependence

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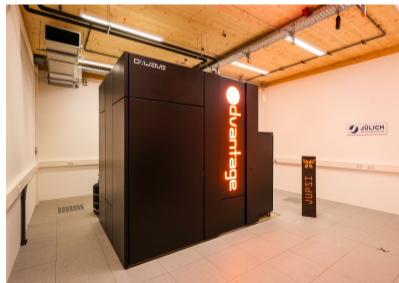


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.. and a new era has begun

- quantum annealer
- first calculations as part of CRC110

[e.g. Kim, Luu, Unger, <https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevD.108.074501> (2023)]



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