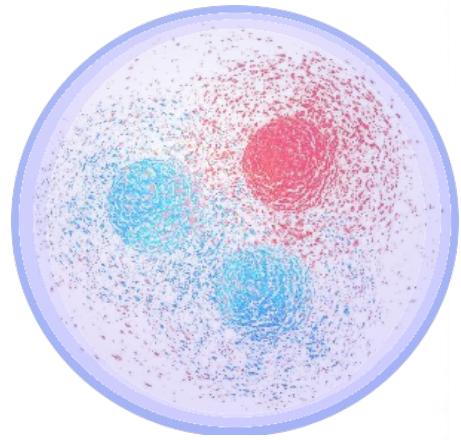


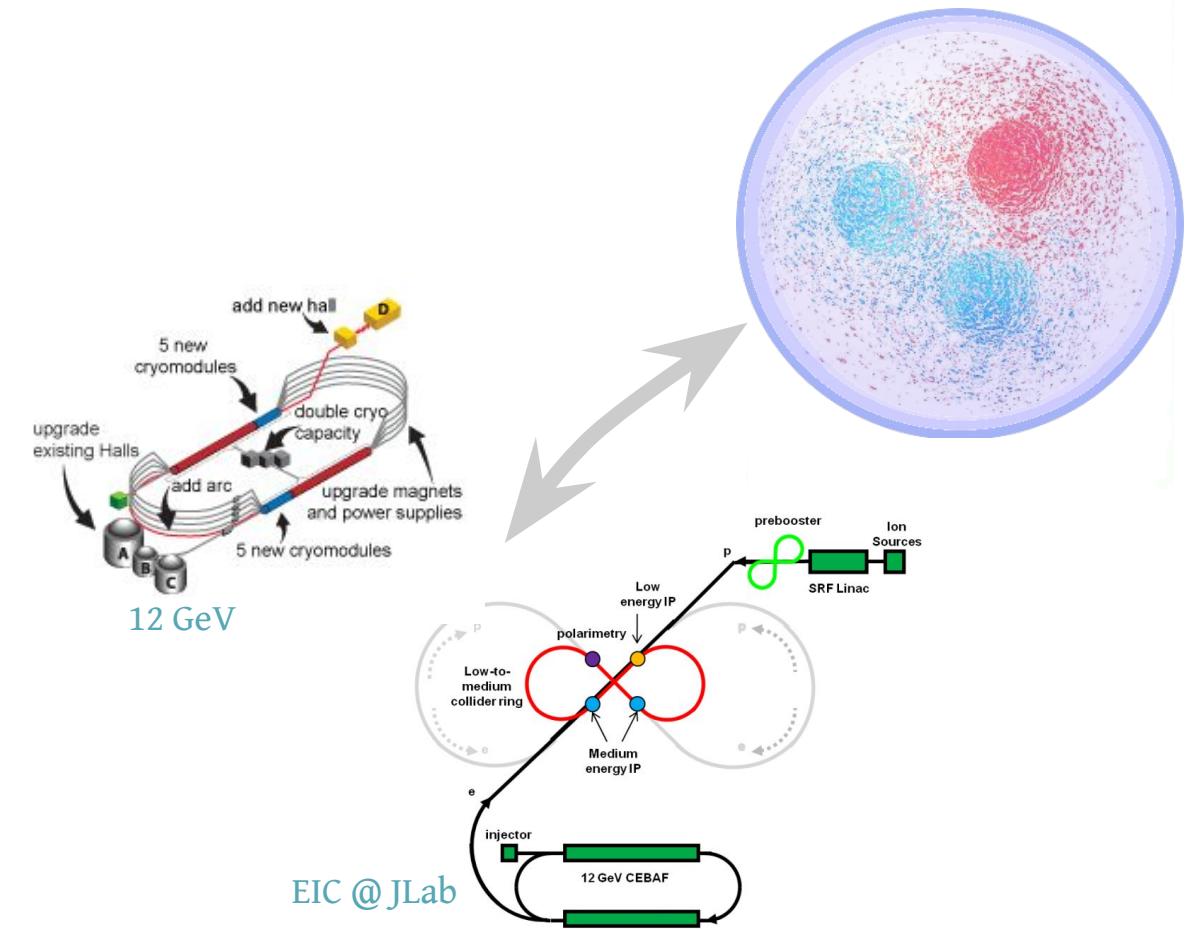
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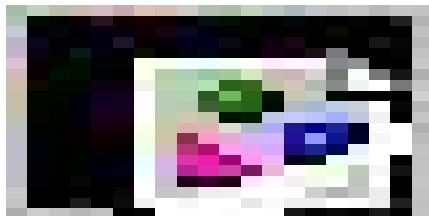
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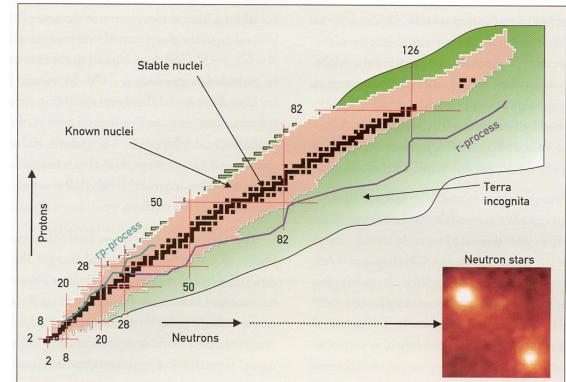




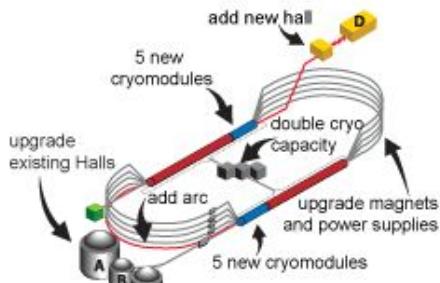
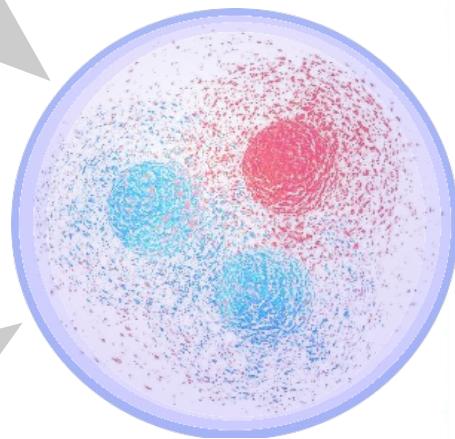
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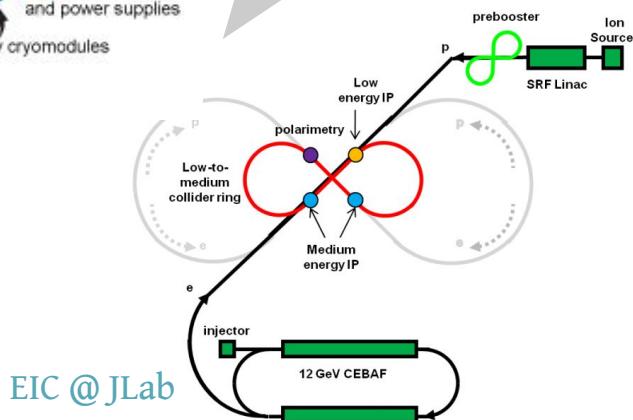
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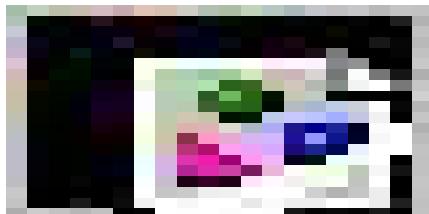
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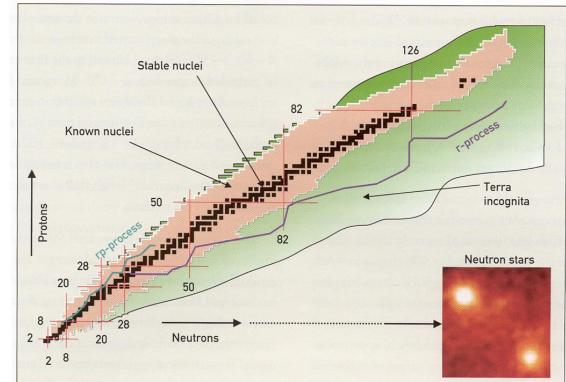
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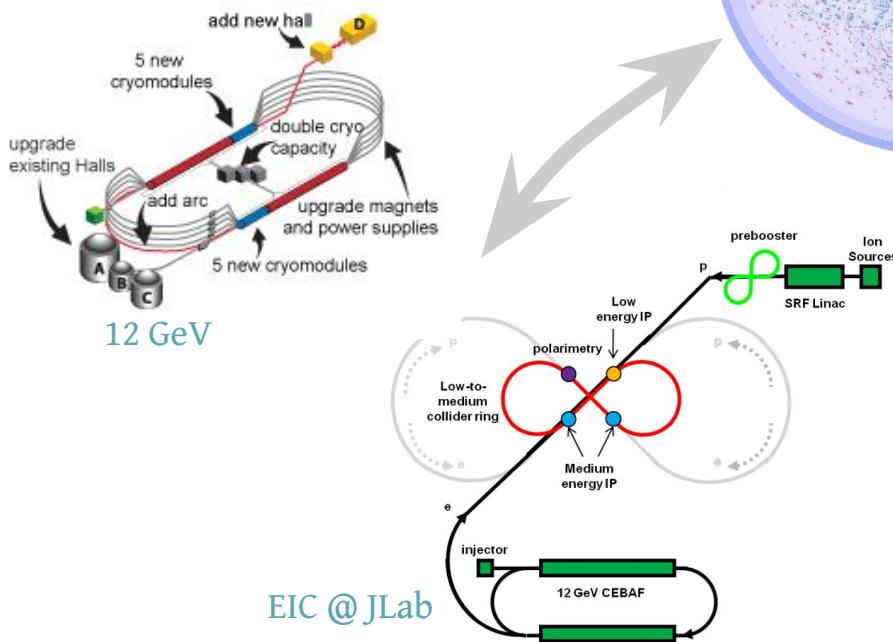
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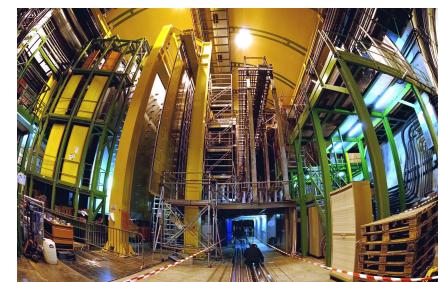
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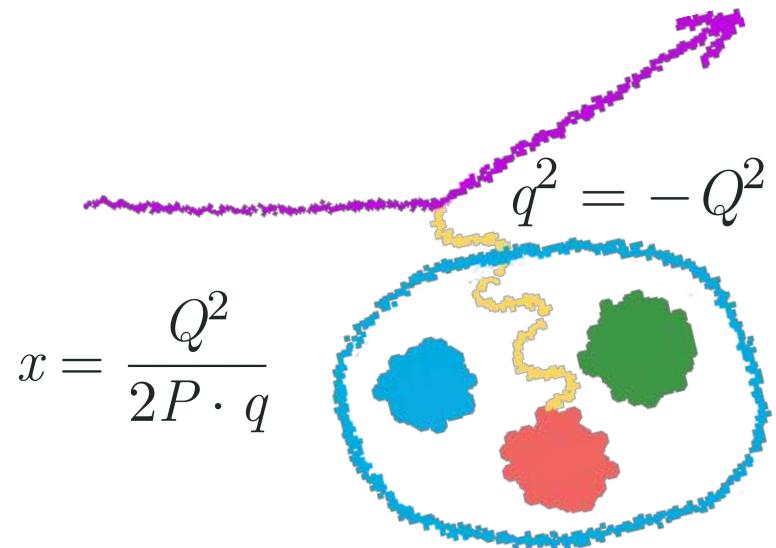
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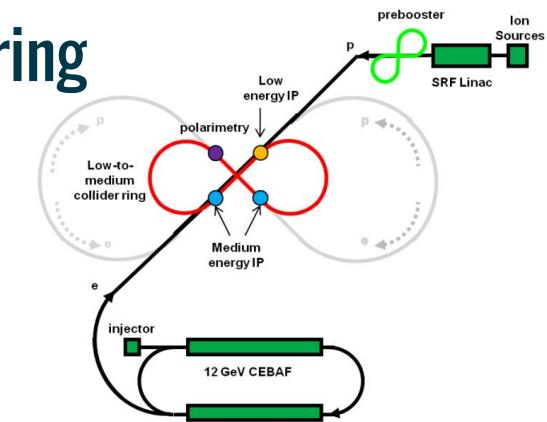
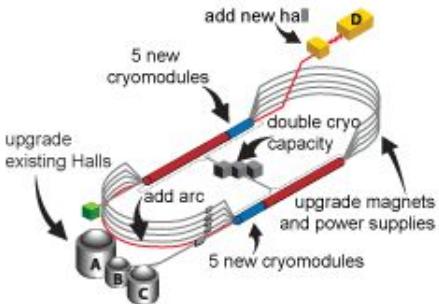
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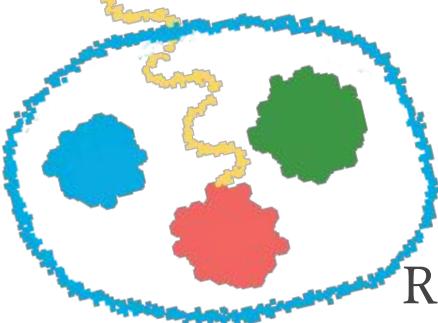


# Inclusive and semi-inclusive deep inelastic scattering



Reduced PDF uncertainties  $10^{-3} < x < 1$

PDFs in deep valence region  $x > 0.5$



Kinematic reach to  $x \sim 10^{-4}$

Nucleon polarisation asymmetries

Resolve origin of proton spin  
via gluon and sea quark helicities

Spin structure function  $g_2$  and higher twists

Explore gluon and sea quark TMDs

Pion structure functions at high  $x$

3D imaging via GPDs

Transversity distributions and GPDs

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# Nucleon structure:

Nucleon mass

Axial charge

Form factors

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Transverse momentum and generalised parton distributions

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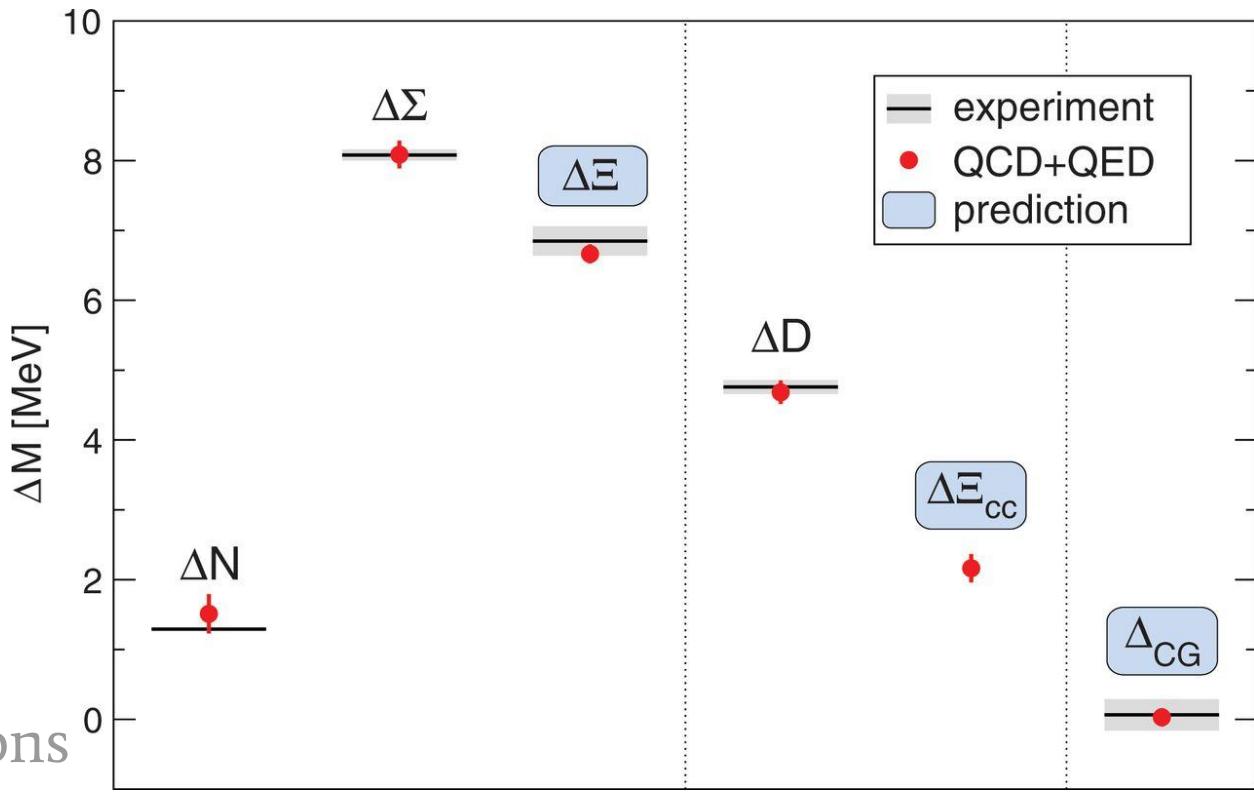
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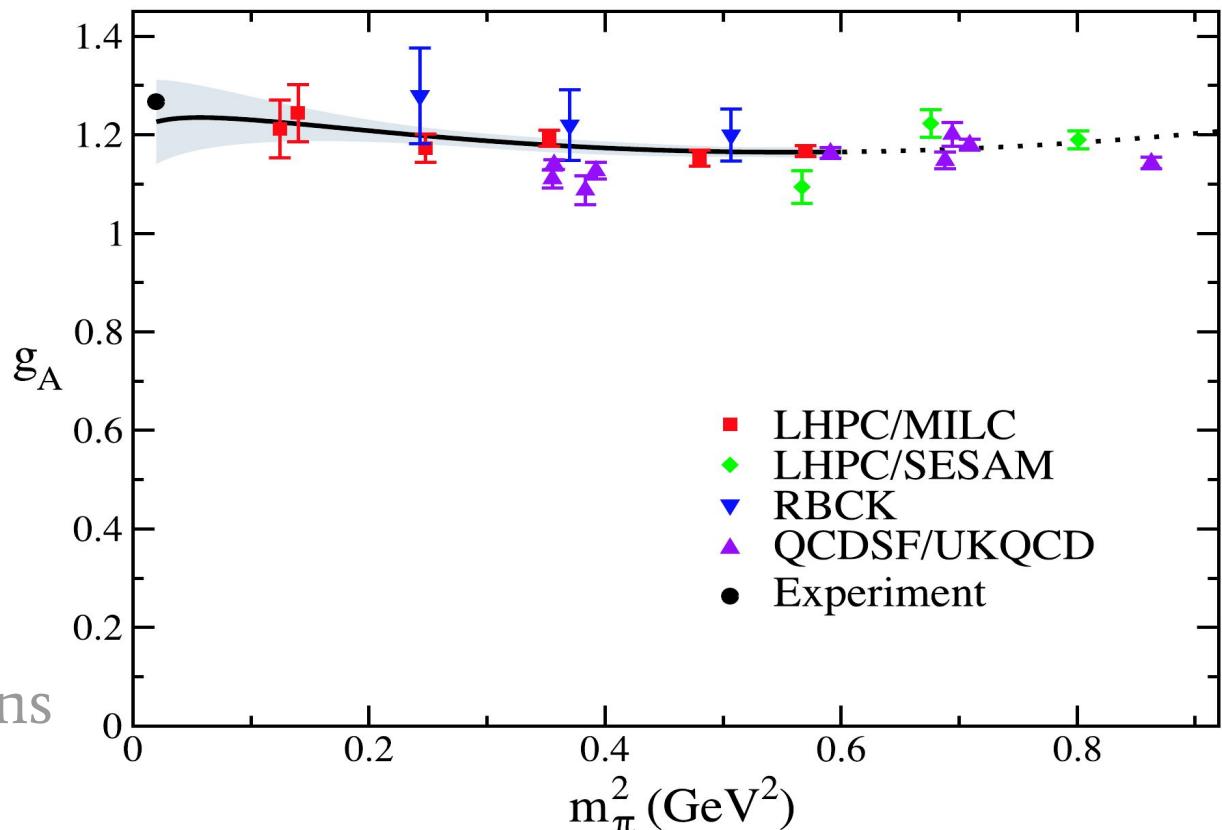
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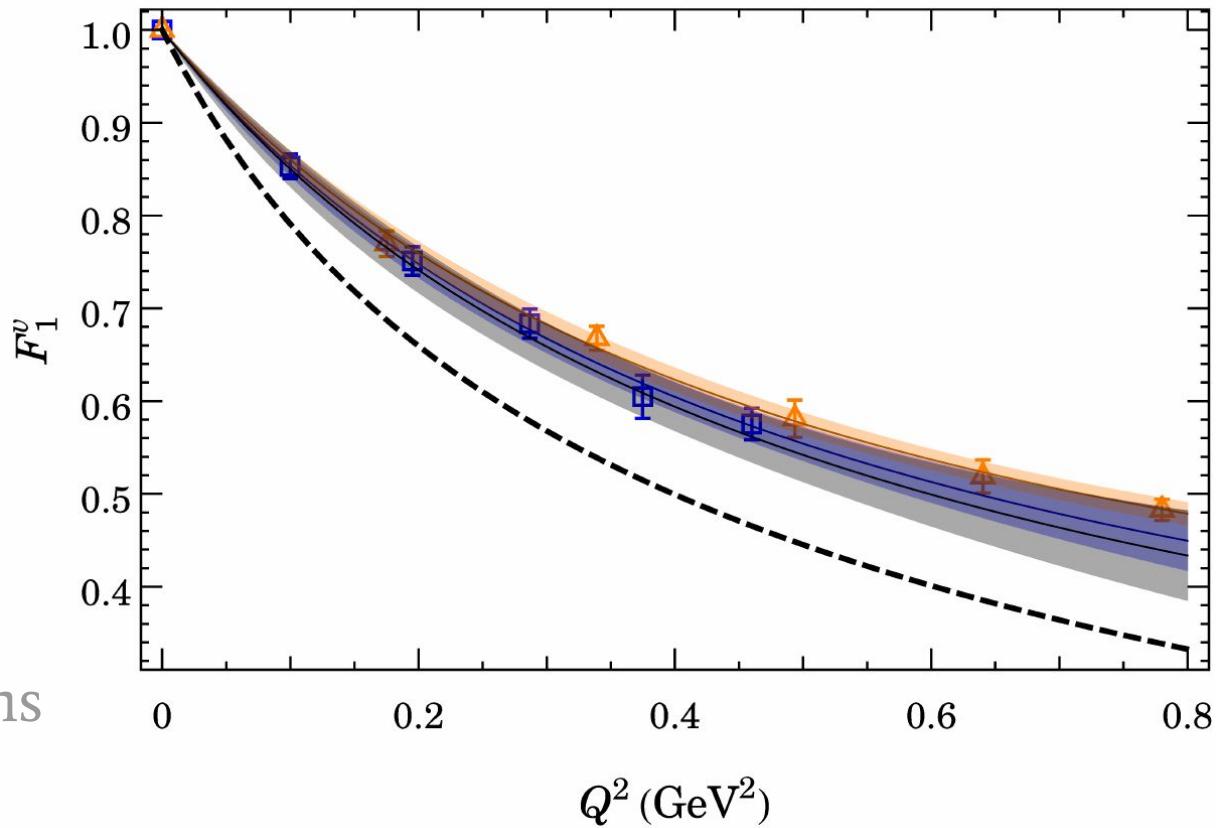
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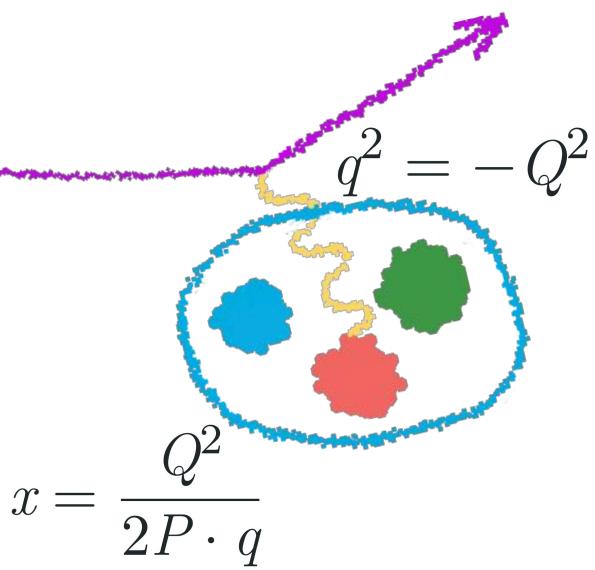
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## 2. PDFs from lattice QCD: An unsolved challenge

## Deep inelastic scattering



## Decompose cross-section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \frac{e^4}{16\pi^2 Q^4} \ell^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}$$

Hadronic tensor

$$W_{\mu\nu}(p, q) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle p, \lambda' | [j_\mu(x), j_\nu(x)] | p, \lambda \rangle$$

Express in terms of structure functions  $F_1, F_2, g_1, g_2$

$$F(x, Q^2) = \int dy C\left(\frac{x}{y}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}\right) f_{q/N}(x, \mu^2)$$

(Light front) parton distributions universal

$$f_{q/N}(x, Q^2) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy^- e^{-iy^- p^+} \langle N | \bar{\psi}(0^+, y^-, 0_T) \gamma_+ U(y^-, 0) \psi(0) | N \rangle$$

Relate hadronic tensor to forward Compton amplitude

$$W_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Im}\{T_{\mu\nu}\}$$

Operator product expansion generates “twist” (dimension - spin) expansion

Twist-2 operators dominate in Bjorken limit

$$\bar{\psi} \gamma_{\{\mu_1} \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_2} \dots \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_n\}} \psi - \text{traces}$$

Mellin moments

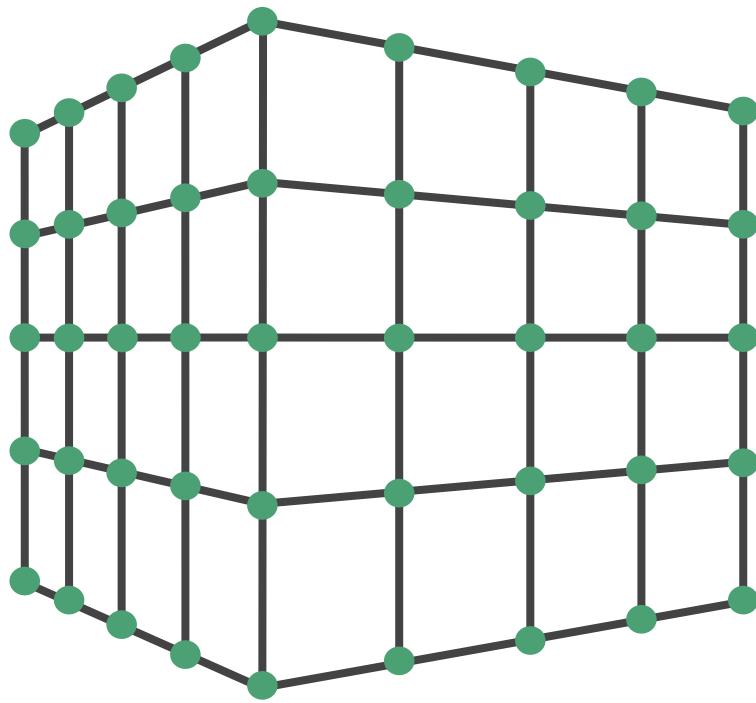
$$\langle x^n \rangle_{f_{q/N}} = \int_{-1}^1 dx x^n f_{q/N}(x)$$

$$2\langle x^n \rangle_{f_{q/N}} P_{\mu_1} \dots P_{\mu_n} = \frac{1}{2} \langle N(P) | \bar{\psi} \gamma_{\{\mu_1} \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_2} \dots \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_n\}} \psi | N(P) \rangle$$

Wick rotation of moments is trivial

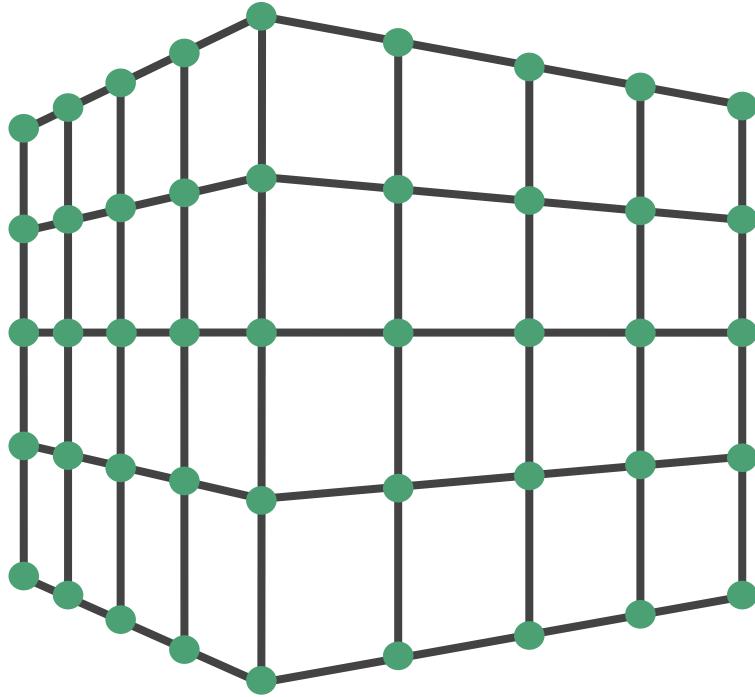
... however...

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Mixing patterns under renormalisation more complicated on the lattice

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Mixing between operators of different mass dimension: power-divergent mixing

$$\bar{\psi} \gamma_4 \gamma_5 \xleftrightarrow{D_4} \xleftrightarrow{D_4} \psi \sim \frac{1}{a^2} \bar{\psi} \gamma_4 \gamma_5 \psi$$

# Power-divergent mixing restricts lattice calculations to first four moments

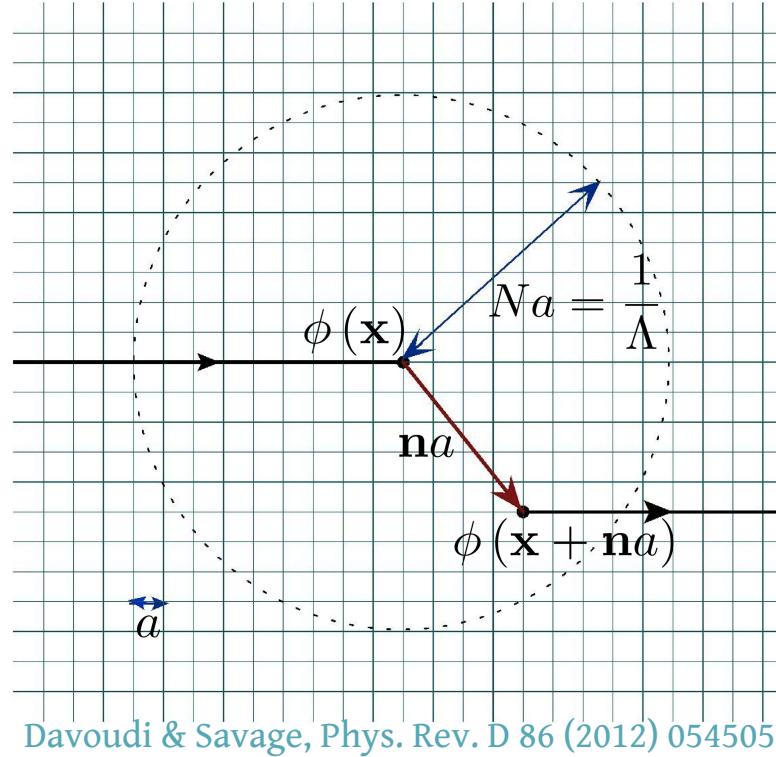
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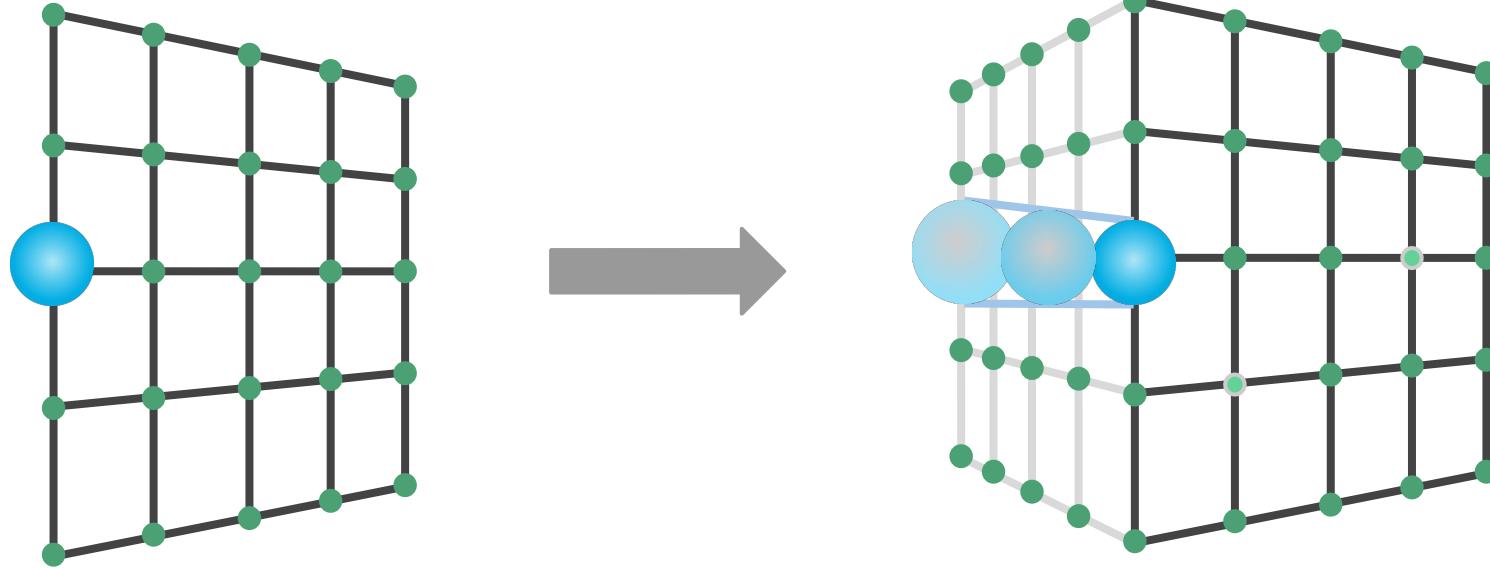
### **3. A solution: The gradient flow**

“Smearing” partially restores rotational symmetry: **suppresses operator mixing**



Construct operators with improved continuum limits

## Gradient flow: deterministic evolution in new parameter - flow time



Drives fields to minimise action - removes UV fluctuations

Renormalised boundary theory remains finite

Narayanan & Neuberger, JHEP 0603 (2006) 064  
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## Scalar field theory

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \bar{\phi}(\tau, x) = \partial^2 \bar{\phi}(\tau, x) \quad \bar{\phi}(\tau=0, x) = \phi(x) \quad \tilde{\bar{\phi}}(\tau, p) = e^{-\tau p^2} \tilde{\phi}(p)$$

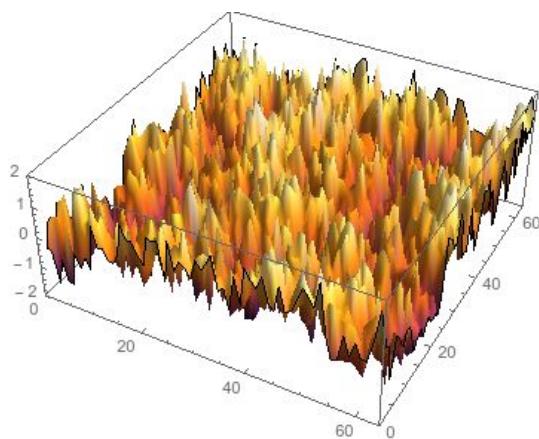
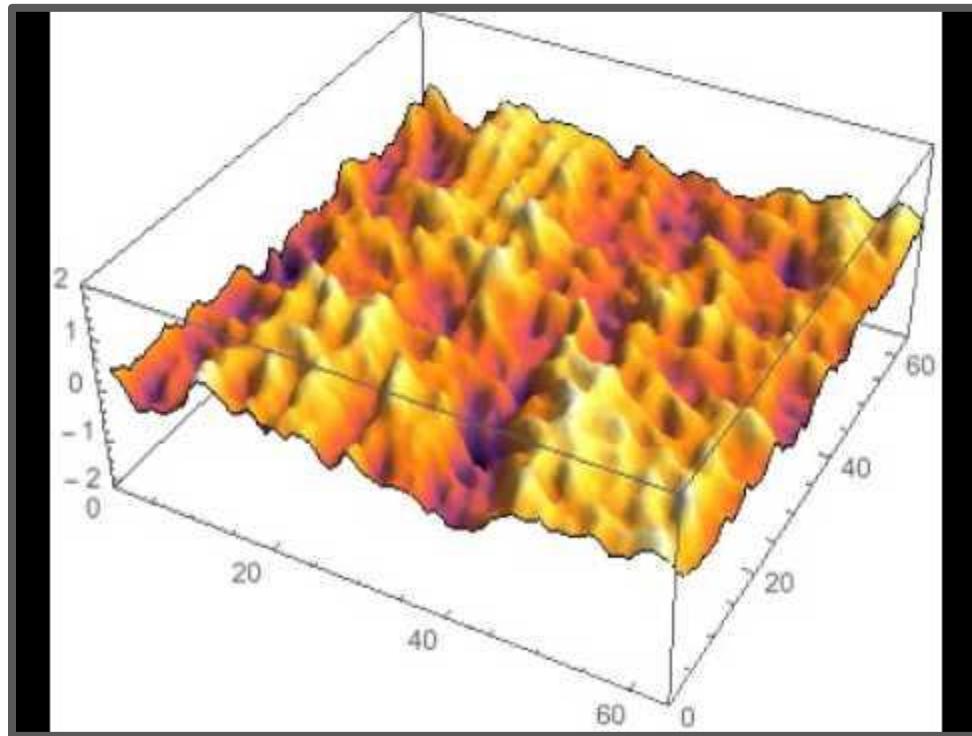
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Exact solution possible with Dirichlet boundary conditions

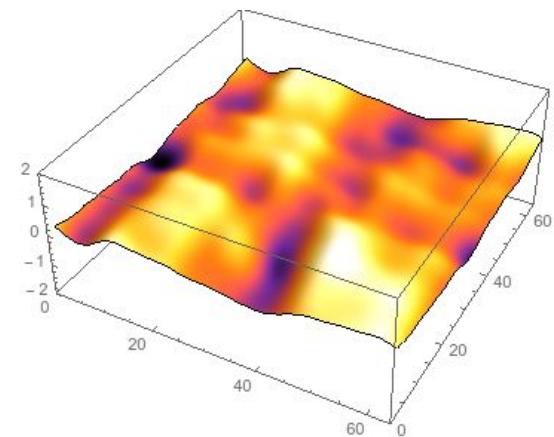
$$\bar{\phi}(\tau, x) = \int d^4y \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} e^{ip \cdot (x-y)} e^{-\tau p^2} \phi(y) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2 \tau^2} \int d^4y e^{-(x-y)^2/(4\tau)} \phi(y)$$

Smearing radius  $s_{\text{rms}} = \sqrt{8\tau}$

Interactions occur at zero flow time (*i.e.* in the original “boundary” theory)



Flow-time



# Gradient flow in QCD

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} B_\mu(\tau, x) = D_\nu \left( \partial_\nu B_\mu - \partial_\mu B_\nu + [B_\nu, B_\mu] \right) \quad D_\mu = \partial_\mu + [B_\mu, \cdot]$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \chi(\tau, x) = D_\mu^F D_\mu^F \chi(\tau, x) \quad D_\mu^F = \partial_\mu + B_\mu$$

Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$B_\mu(\tau = 0, x) = A_\mu(x) \quad \chi(\tau = 0, x) = \psi(x)$$

Tree-level expansion

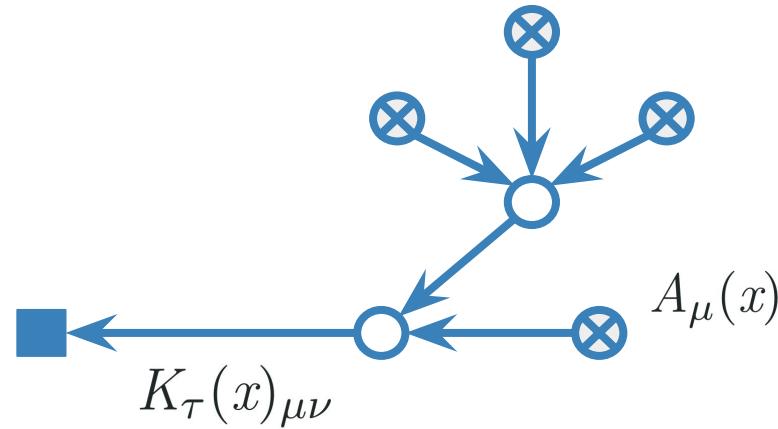
$$B_\mu(\tau, x) = \int d^4y \left\{ K_\tau(x-y)_{\mu\nu} A_\nu(y) + \int_0^\tau d\sigma K_{\tau-\sigma}(x-y)_{\mu\nu} R_\nu(\sigma, y) \right\}$$

“Flow propagator”

$$K_\tau(x)_{\mu\nu} = \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{e^{ipx}}{p^2} \left\{ (\delta_{\mu\nu} p^2 - p_\mu p_\nu) e^{-\tau p^2} + p_\mu p_\nu \right\}$$

$$R_\mu(\tau, x) = 2[B_\nu, \partial_\nu B_\mu] - [B_\nu, \partial_\mu B_\nu] - [B_\mu, \partial_\nu B_\nu] + [B_\nu, [B_\nu, B_\mu]]$$

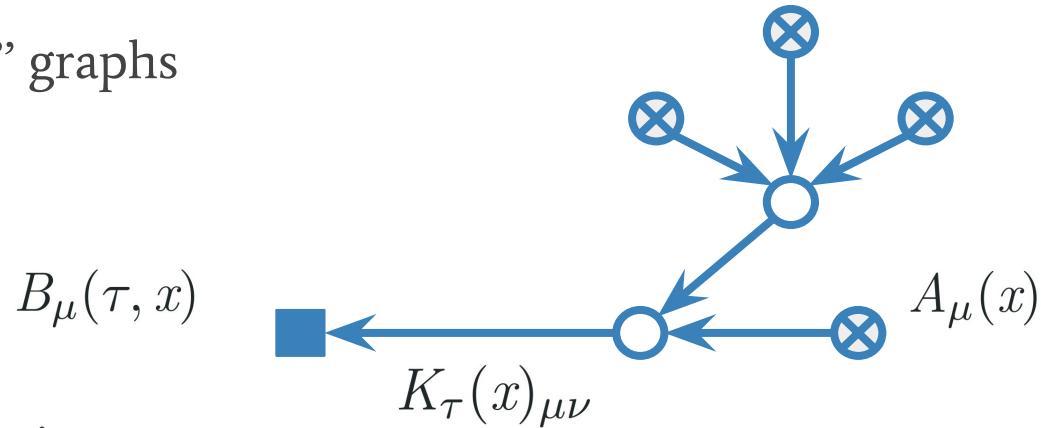
Directed ``tree'' graphs



Two-point function

$$\left\langle B_\mu^a(\tau, x) B_\nu^b(\sigma, y) \right\rangle = \square \xleftarrow{\otimes} \otimes \xrightarrow{\quad} \square$$

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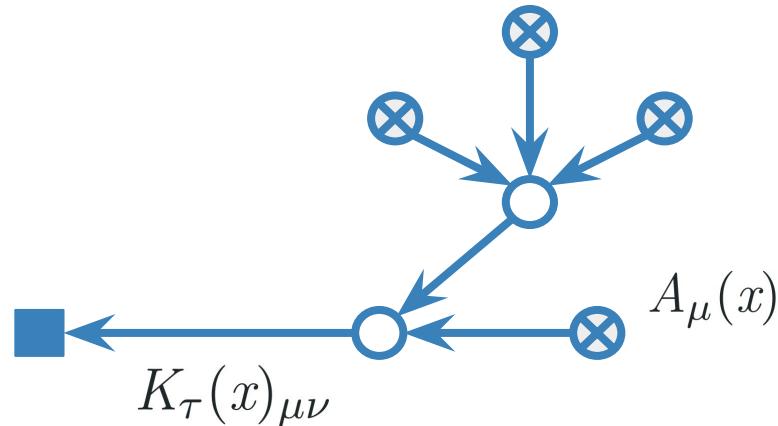


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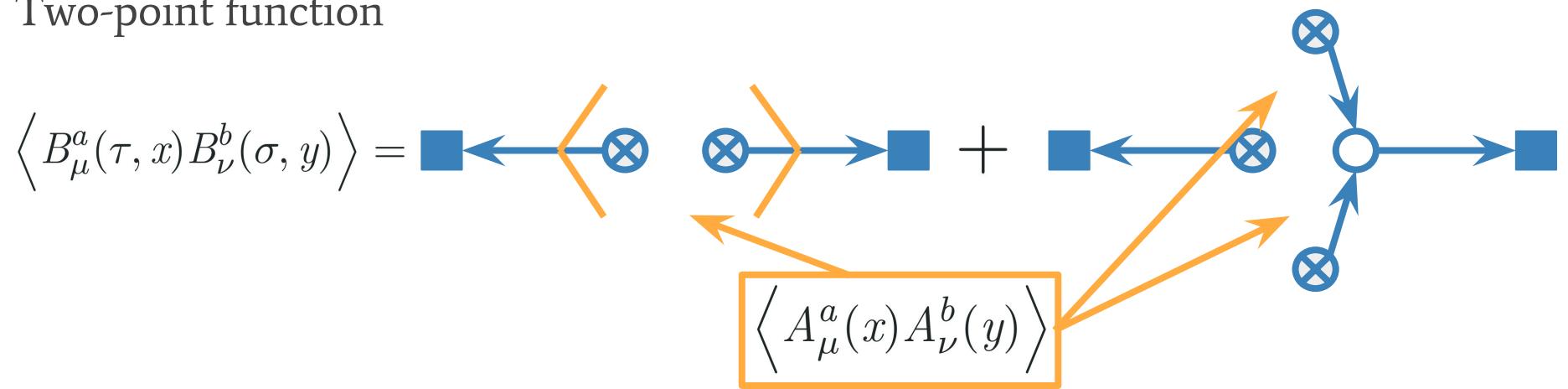
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The equation shows the two-point function  $\langle B_\mu^a(\tau, x) B_\nu^b(\sigma, y) \rangle$  as the sum of two terms. The first term is represented by a horizontal line with two arrows: one from a square node to a circle node, and another from the circle node to a square node. The second term is represented by a horizontal line with two arrows: one from a square node to a circle node, and another from the circle node to a square node. The two terms are separated by a plus sign.

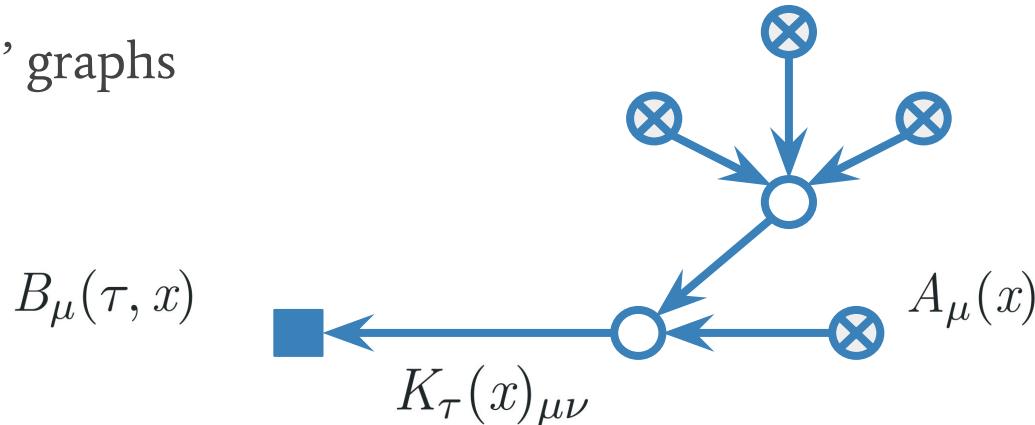
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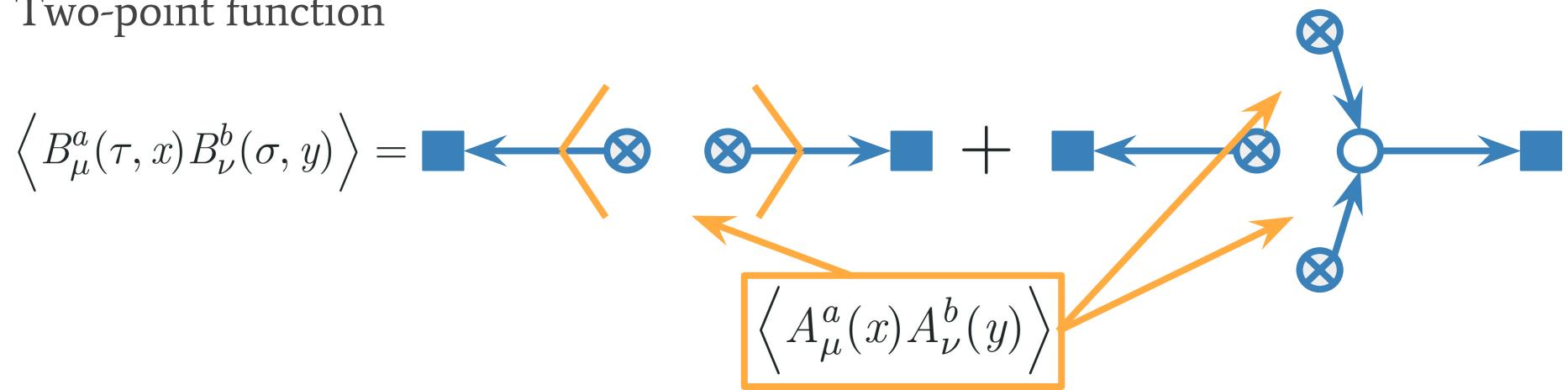
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$$\langle \tilde{B}_\mu^a(t, p) \tilde{B}_\nu^b(s, q) \rangle = (2\pi)^4 \delta(p+q) \delta^{ab} \delta_{\mu\nu} \frac{e^{-(s+t)p^2}}{p^2} + \mathcal{O}(g^2)$$

**Smearing removes power-divergent mixing in the continuum, at the expense of introducing a new scale**

## **4. No free lunch: The gradient flow scheme**

Consider twist-2 operators

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}(x) = \phi(x) \partial_{\mu_1} \dots \partial_{\mu_n} \phi(x) - \text{traces}$$

Example: continuum matrix element

$$\langle \Omega | \phi^2(0) \cdot \phi(0) \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \phi(0) | \Omega \rangle = 0$$

On the lattice

$$\langle \Omega | \phi^2(0) \cdot \phi(0) \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi(0) | \Omega \rangle = -\frac{\delta_{\mu\nu}}{32a^2} + \mathcal{O}(a^0, \lambda)$$

With smeared degrees of freedom

$$\langle \Omega | \bar{\phi}^2(\tau, 0) \cdot \bar{\phi}(\tau, 0) \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \bar{\phi}(\tau, 0) | \Omega \rangle = -\frac{\delta_{\mu\nu}}{256\pi^2\tau} + \mathcal{O}(a^0, \lambda)$$

## Two approaches to our new scale:

“Smeared Operator Product Expansion” (sOPE)

Small flow-time expansion

# sOPE

Replace local operators in the OPE

$$\mathcal{O}(x) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 0} \sum_k c_k(x, \mu) \mathcal{O}_R^{(k)}(0, \mu) + \dots$$

with locally-smeared operators

$$\mathcal{O}(x) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 0} \sum_k d_k(x, \mu, \tau) \overline{\mathcal{O}}^{(k)}(0, \mu, \tau) + \dots$$

# Small flow-time expansion

Relate locally-smeared operators to local operators

$$\overline{\mathcal{O}}(\tau) = C(\mu, \tau) \mathcal{O}_R(\mu) + \dots$$

Case-study: determine heavy-light quark bilinear renormalisation parameters

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$$\Sigma_{\Gamma}(\tau, M_Q) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \Sigma_{\Gamma}^{\text{smear}}(\tau, a, M_Q)$$

Defines renormalisation scheme: gradient flow scheme

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$$Z_{\Gamma}^{\text{GF}}(\mu, a, M_Q) = \sqrt{\frac{\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \Sigma_{\Gamma}^{\text{smear}}(\tau, a, M_Q)}{C(\mu, \tau)}} \frac{1}{\Sigma_{\Gamma}^{\text{latt}}(a, M_Q)}$$

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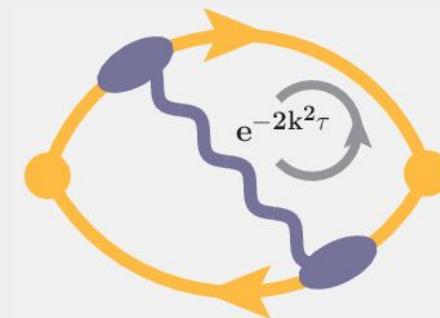
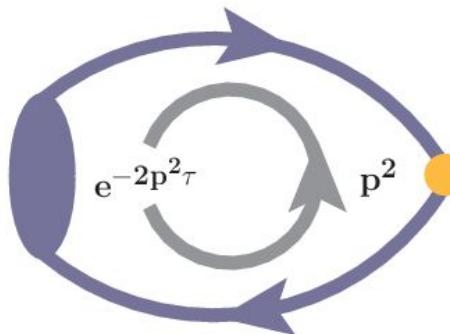


Calculate with smeared fermions

Calculate with smeared gauge fields

Controls all divergences

Controls all gluonic divergences



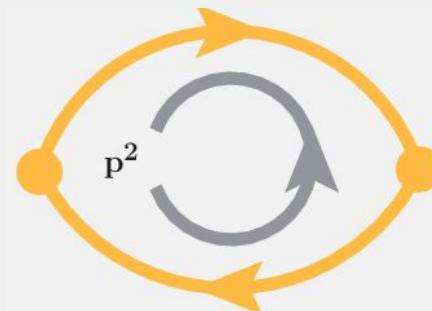
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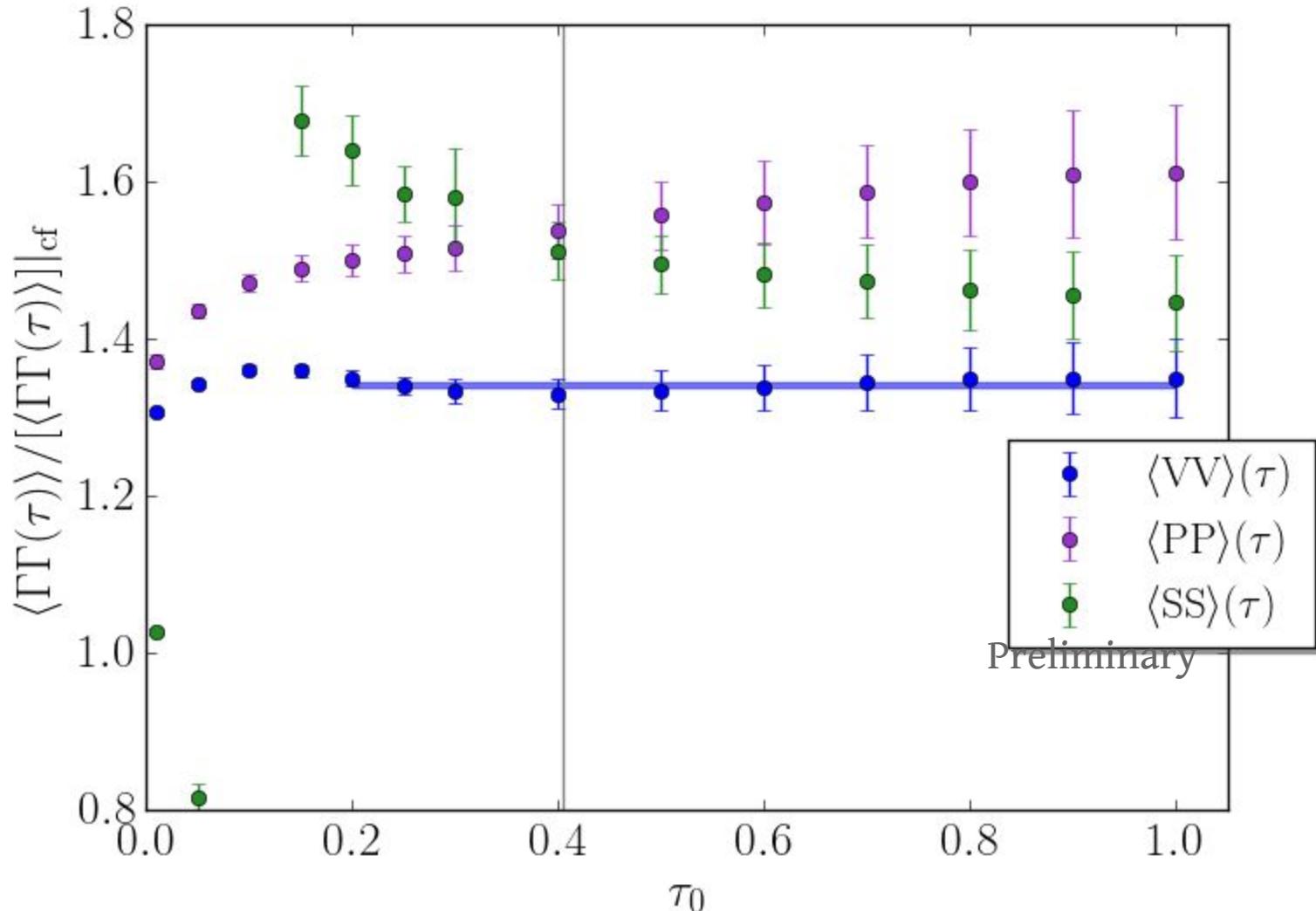
Does not remove tree-level divergence

Complicates perturbation theory



Calculate with smeared fermions: [JLab Theory Seminar 12/9/2016]

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Update: calculate with smeared gauge fields

Remove tree-level divergence by taking continuum limit of

$$\frac{\Sigma_{\Gamma}^{\text{smear}}(\tau, a, M_Q)}{\Sigma_{\Gamma}^{\text{tree}}(\tau, a, M_Q)}$$

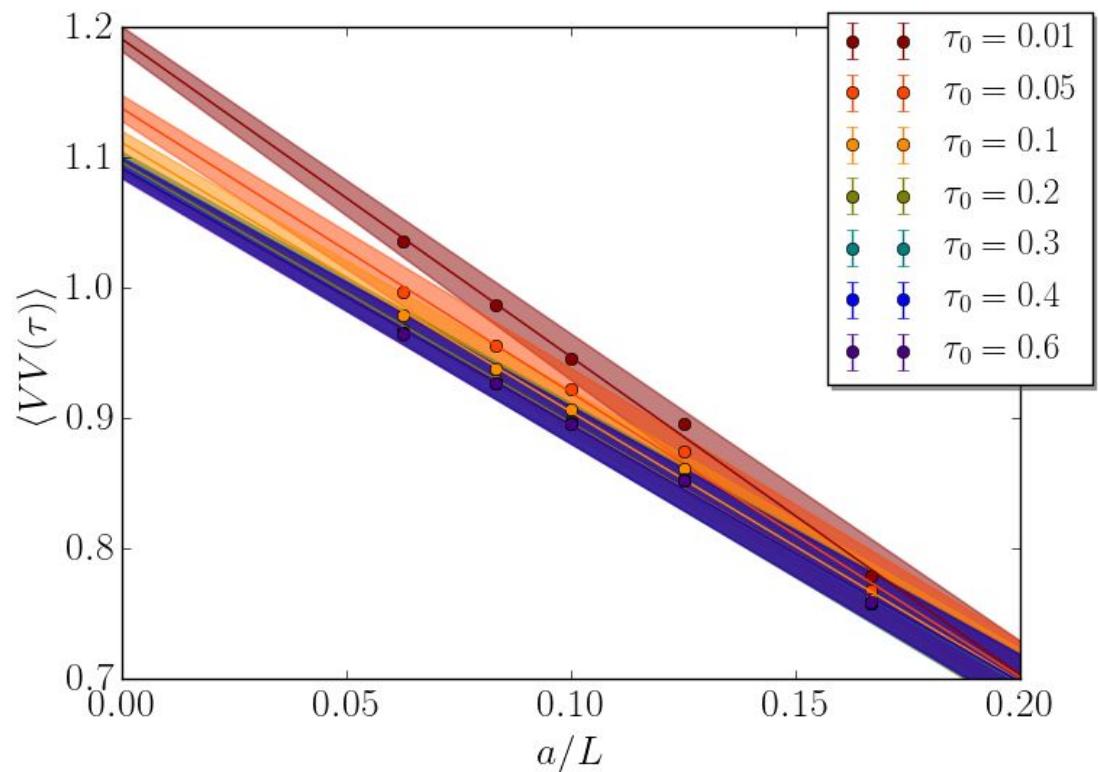
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2. Tune bare coupling at different lattice sizes
3. Fix flow time in physical units

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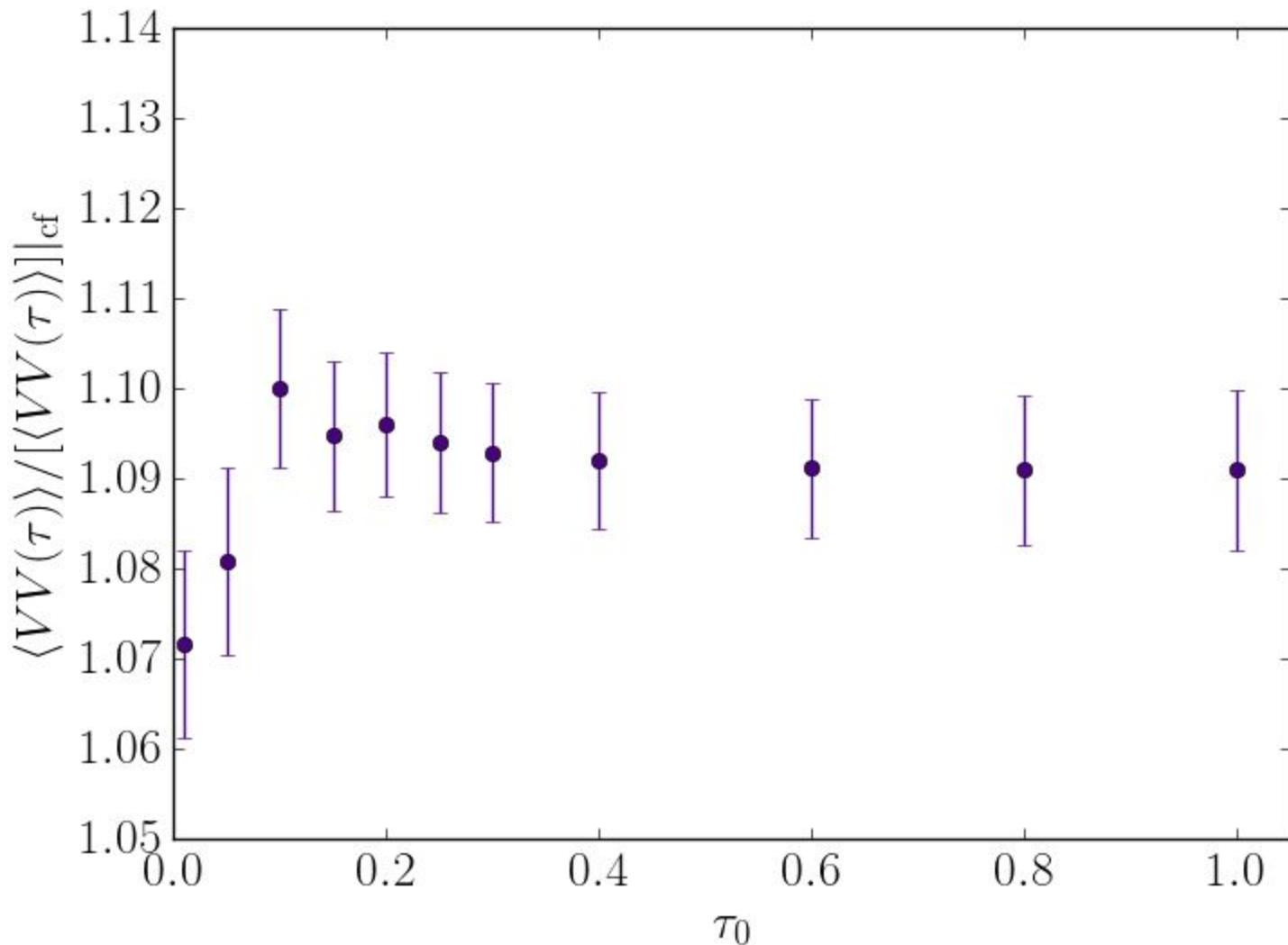
$$\frac{\Sigma_{\Gamma}^{\text{smear}}(\tau, a, M_Q)}{\Sigma_{\Gamma}^{\text{tree}}(\tau, a, M_Q)}$$

1. Fix physical volume
2. Tune bare coupling at different lattice sizes
3. Fix flow time in physical units



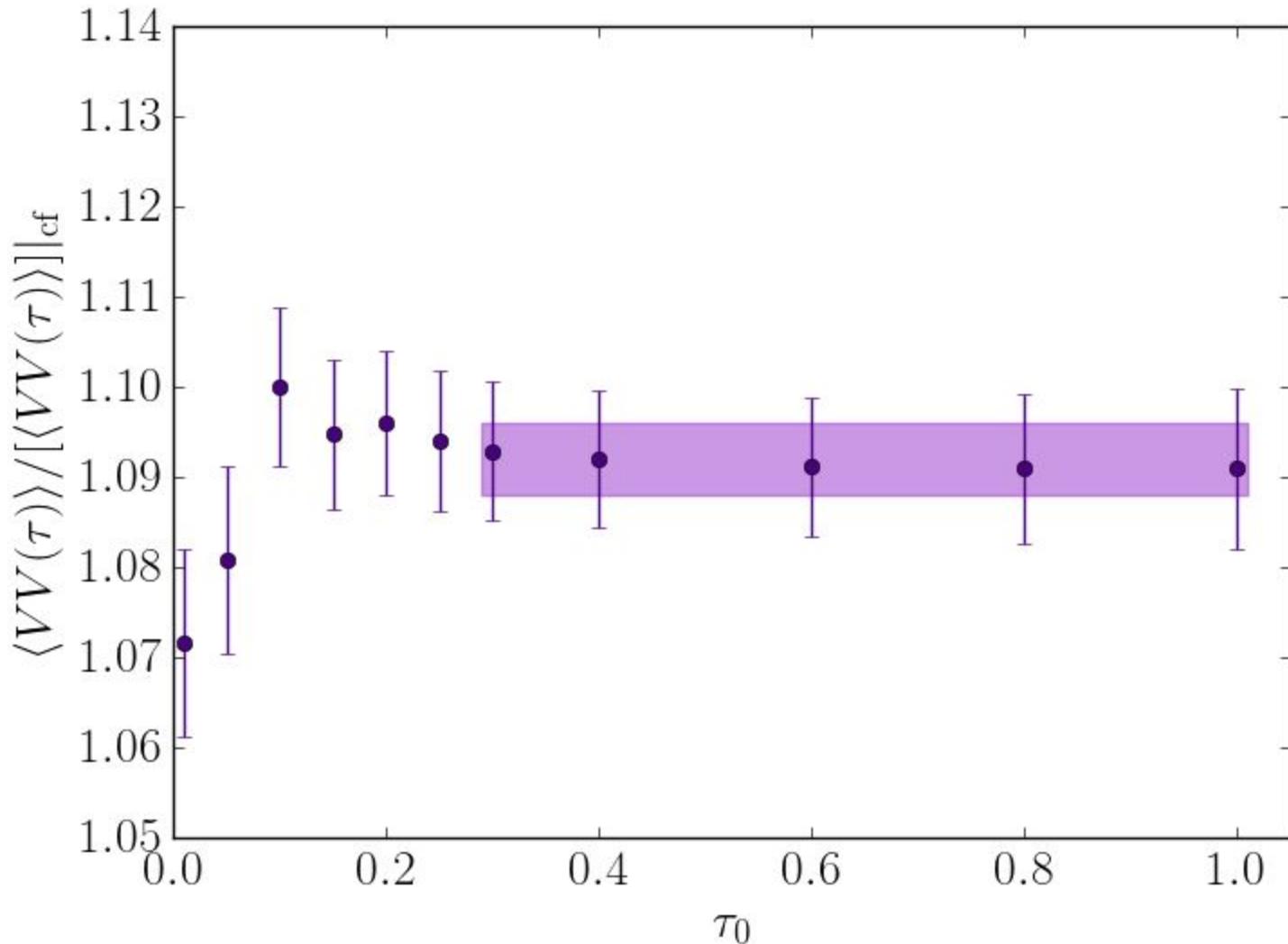
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# Gradient flow scheme

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## 5. Looking forward

# Direct determination of PDFs



Hypercubic symmetry = power-divergent mixing

Restricts us to lowest moments of PDFs or GPDs

Via gradient  
flow procedure



Gradient flow removes power-divergent mixing

Gradient flow scheme relates matrix elements at non-zero and zero flow times

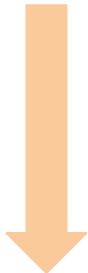
Determine  
moments

Will allow determination of higher moments

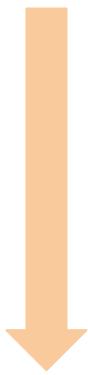
- involves only local operators
- analysis a well-established procedure

# Direct determination of PDFs

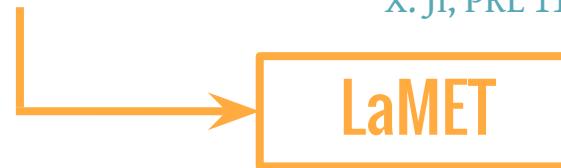
X. Ji & J.-H. Zhang, PRD 92 (2015) 034006  
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X. Ji, PRL 110 (2013) 262002



Via gradient  
flow procedure

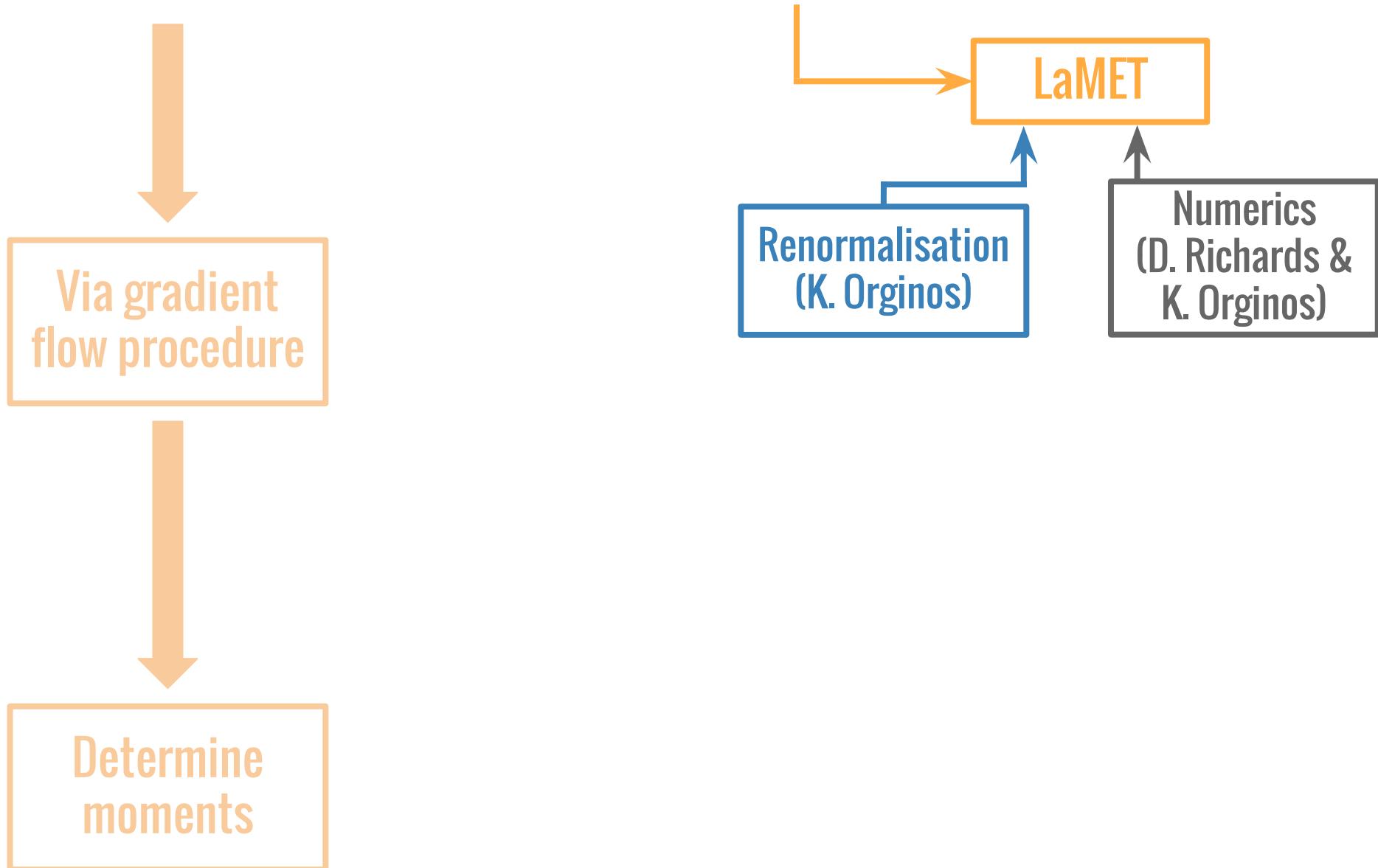


Determine  
moments

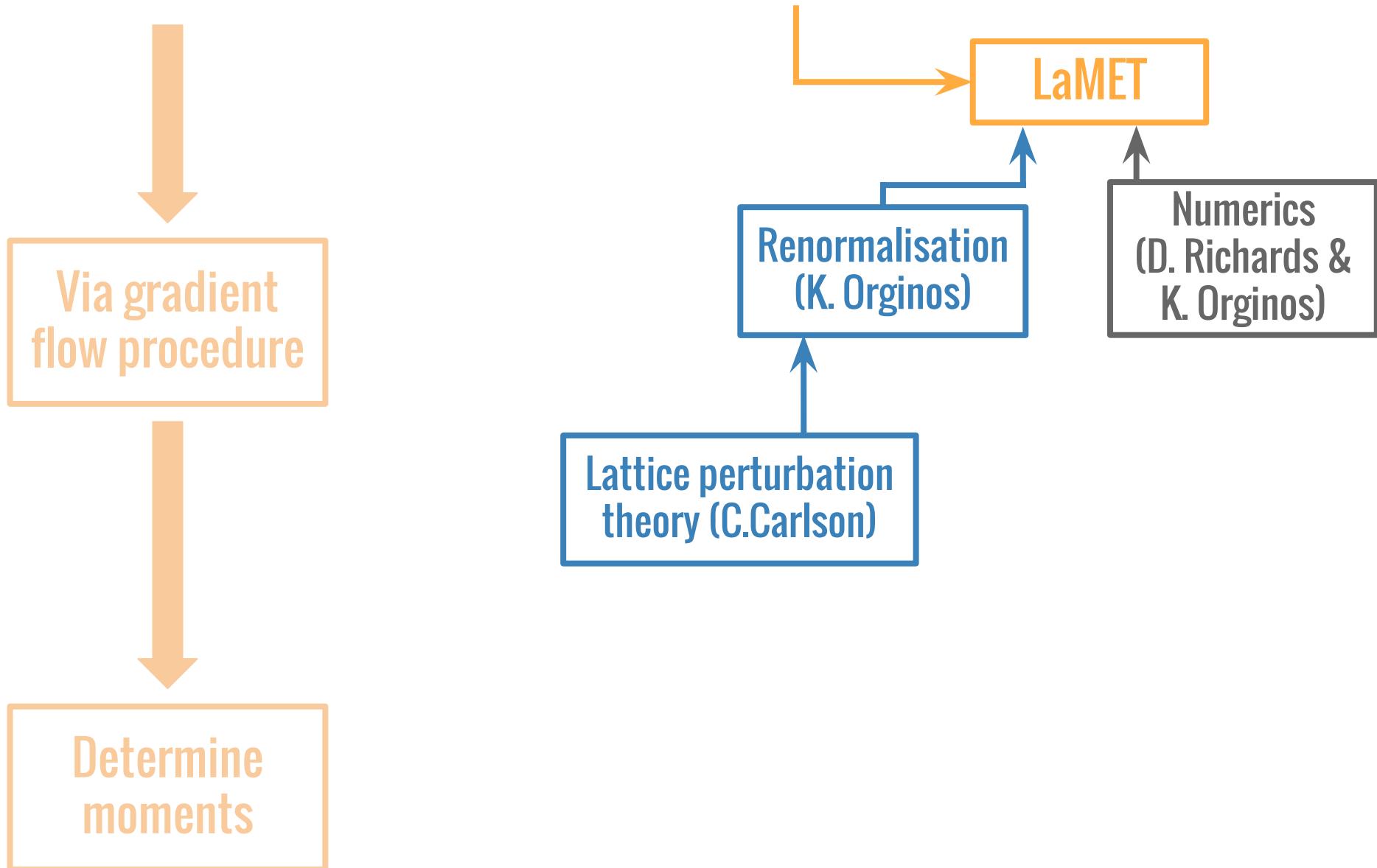


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Kostas Orginos,  
Carl Carlson

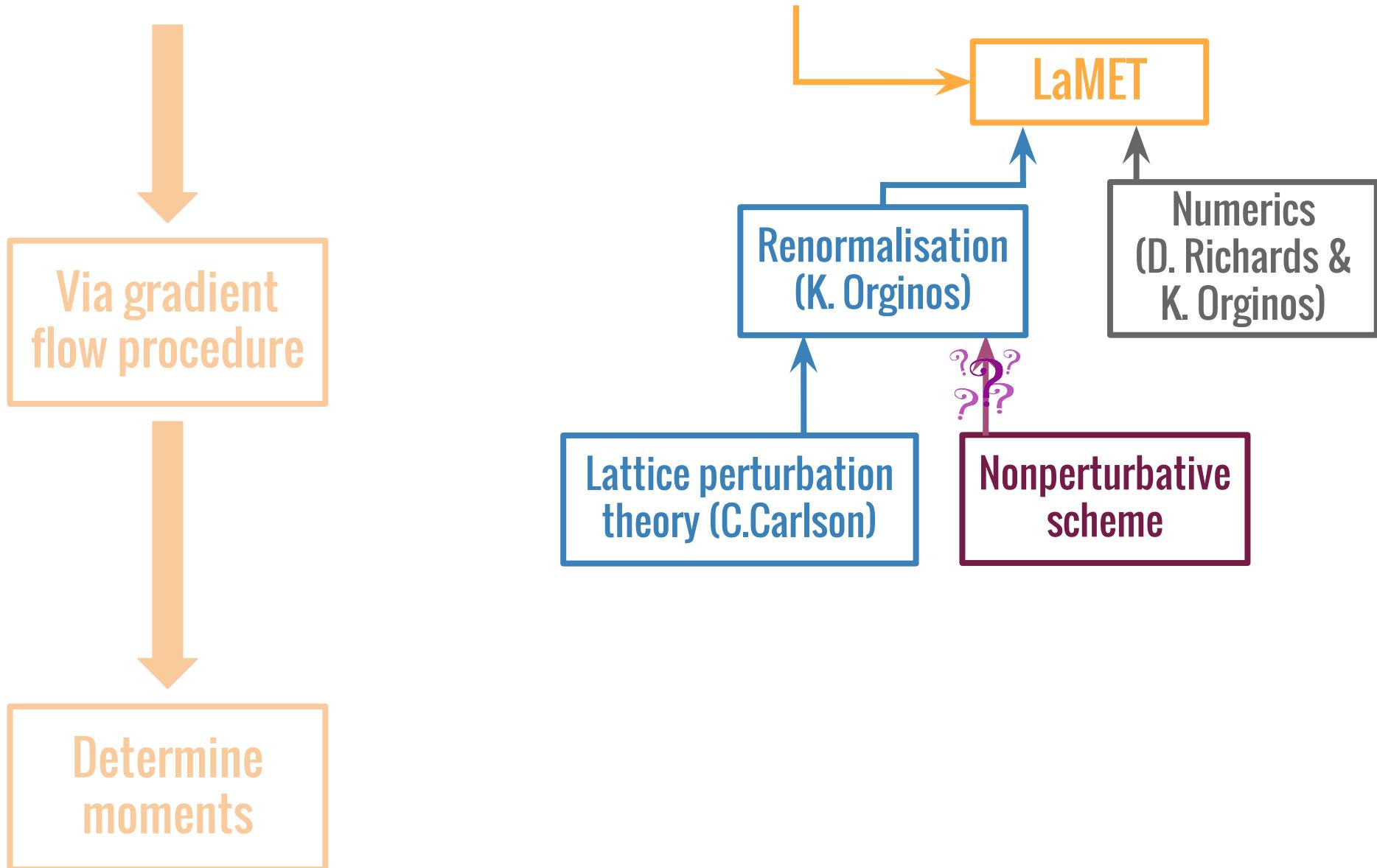
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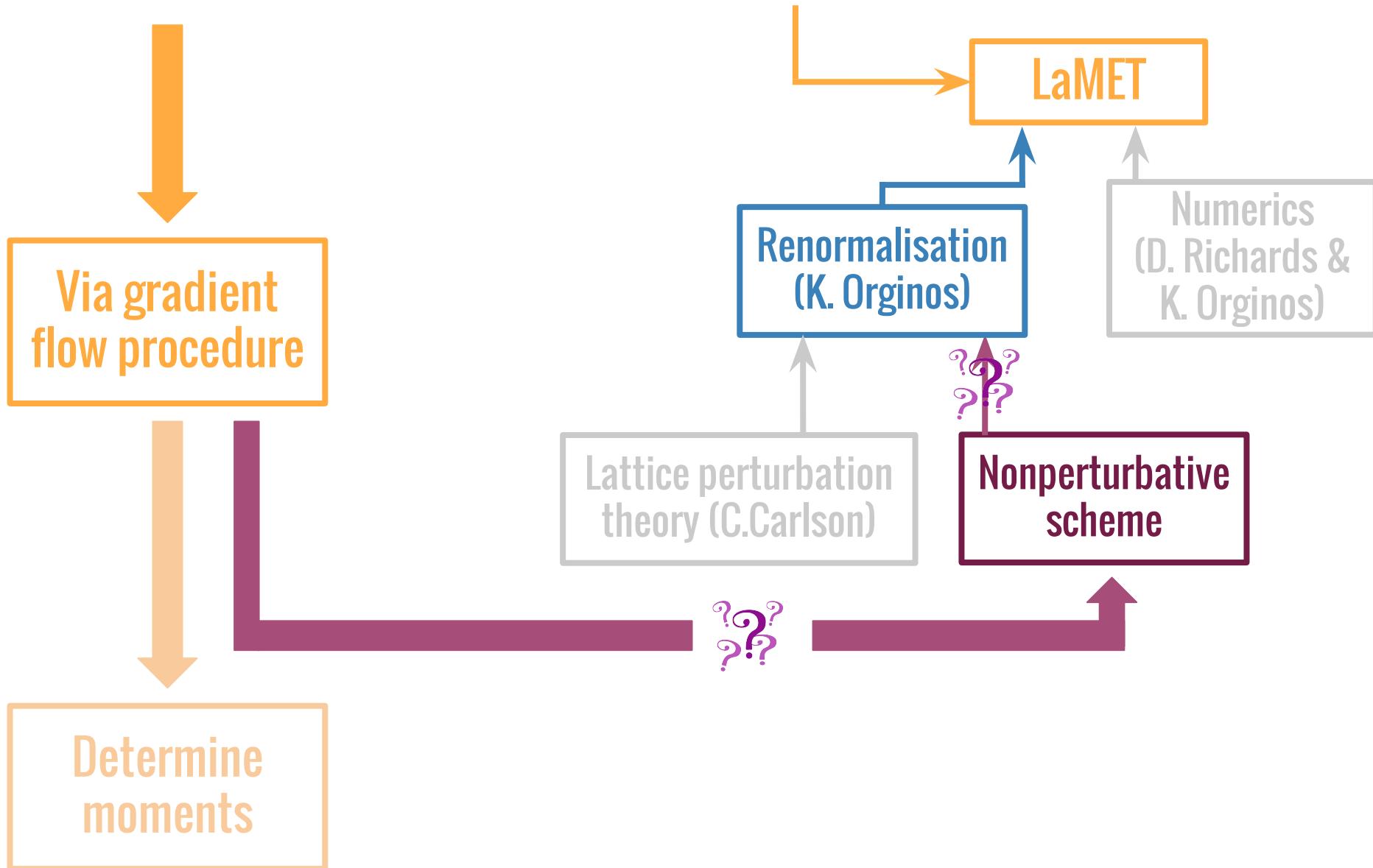
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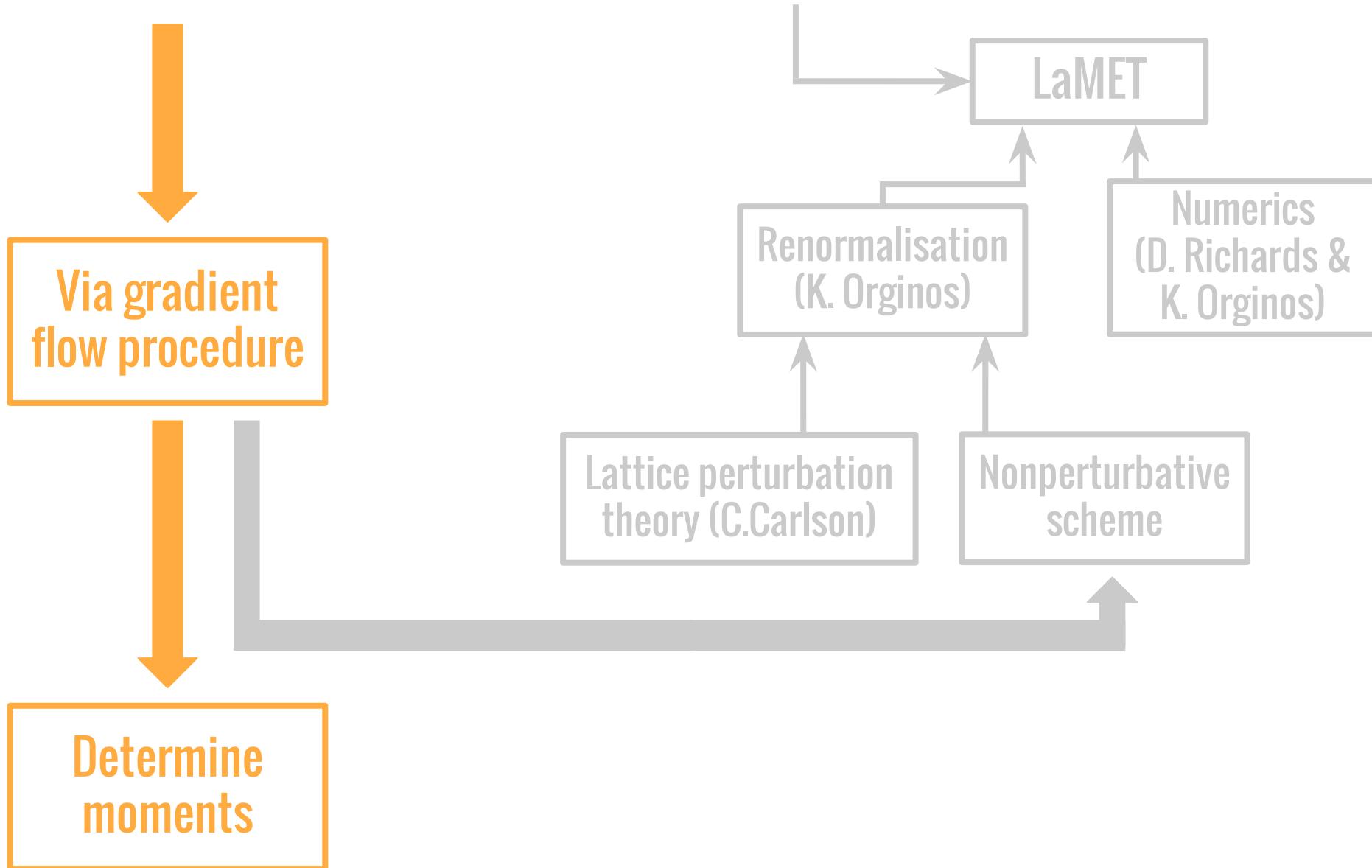
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# Direct determination of PDFs



Now      Summer '16      End of '16      2017      2018      2019      2020

GF: bilinears

Class C

Class B

GF: twist-2 ops.

GF: mixing

Estimated!

# Direct determination of PDFs



Now      Summer '16      End of '16      2017      2018      2019      2020

GF: bilinears

GF: twist-2 ops.

GF: mixing

Pion PDAs/PDFs

Proton PDA/PDFs

Class A

Systematic uncertainties?

No. of moments?

Range of  $Q^2$ ?

Estimated!

# Direct determination of PDFs



Now      Summer '16      End of '16      2017      2018      2019      2020

GF: bilinears

GF: twist-2 ops.

GF: mixing

Pion PDAs/PDFs

Proton PDA/PDFs

Spin physics...

Sea quarks...

Tomography...

Estimated!

## Calculations

### 1. Low moments of spin-(in)dependent structure functions

- operators that do not mix
- operators that mix

### 1. Basic tests

- verification of basic implementation via comparison with previous results
- verification that gradient flow removes mixing

#### Example tests:

- **operators in the same lattice irrep have the same renormalisation**
- **operators in the same continuum irrep and different lattice irreps give the same result**

## Calculations

### 1. Low moments of spin-(in)dependent structure functions

- operators that do not mix
- operators that mix

### 2. Higher moments

#### Questions:

- **how many moments?**
- **can full PDF be reconstructed?**
- **can high moments constrain global fits?**

### 1. Basic tests

- verification of basic implementation via comparison with previous results
- verification that gradient flow removes mixing

### 2. First ever such calculation

- a) comparison with theory
  - nonrelativistic quark models at  $m_q$
  - tests of "Borromean" picture of baryonic di-quark correlations in Dyson-Schwinger formalism
  - predictions from AdS/QCD
- b) experiment
  - global fits
  - JLab 12 GeV deep valence region
- c) constrain high-x regimes of PDFs

## Tomography...

### Calculations

### Physics

3. Low moments of spin-(in)dependent generalised structure functions on unquenched configurations

4. Higher moments

3. Comparisons with:

- quenched lattice calculations for first three moments of GPDs
- experimental data
- Ji sum rule for total quark angular momentum

4. First ever such calculation...

## Corollaries

### Calculations

### Physics

- a) Gluon operators and mixing                      Largely unstudied in lattice QCD
- b) Twist-3 contributions (*e.g.* to  $g_2$ )
- c) Nonperturbative improvement                      Improvement in systematic uncertainties.
- d) Nonperturbative Wilson coefficients

# Summary

Gradient flow - tool to remove power-divergent mixing

Gradient flow scheme - operator renormalisation

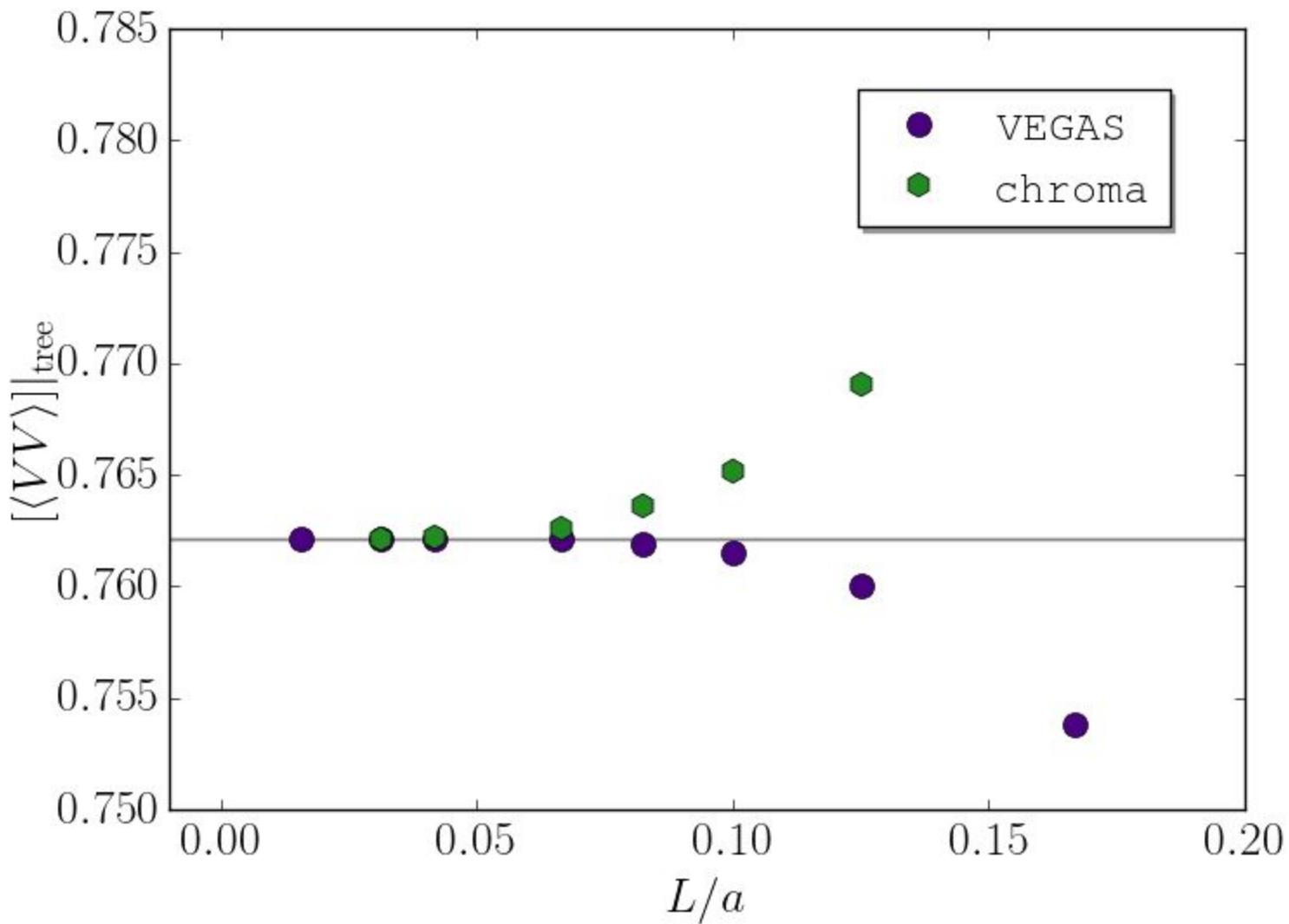
Enable lattice calculations of moments of PDFs and GPDs

# **Thank you**

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Update: calculate with smeared gauge fields

1. Choose some bare coupling and lattice size  $L/a$
2. Measure finite volume renormalised coupling
3. Determine the matrix element at some flow time  $t$
4. Fix renormalised coupling, which fixes the physical box size, and tune bare coupling to match at new lattice spacing  $L'/a$
5. Determine matrix element at fixed physical flow time by choosing flow time in lattice units by fixing product  $t' = (m_{crit})^2 / (m_{crit}')^2$ , where the critical mass is calculated at two loops in “cactus-improved” lattice perturbation theory
6. Repeat steps 3-5 to take continuum limit



# Lattice determinations: nucleon structure

Meson distribution amplitudes

quenched

Martinelli & Sachrajda, PLB 1 (1987) 184  
Martinelli & Sachrajda, NPB 306 (1988) 805

unquenched

Best et al, PRD 56 (1997) 2743

Nucleon

axial charge

Edwards et al, PRL 96 (2006) 052001  
Capitani et al, PRD 86 (2012) 074502  
Horsley et al, PLB 732 (2014) 41

unpolarised

Gockeler et al, PRD 53 (1996) 2317

polarised

Gockeler et al, PRD 53 (1996) 2317

higher twist contributions

Capitani et al, NPB (Proc. Suppl.) 79 (1999) 179

transverse momentum distributions

Y. Zhao, arXiv/1506.08832

Musch et al, PRD 83 (2011) 094507

generalised parton distributions

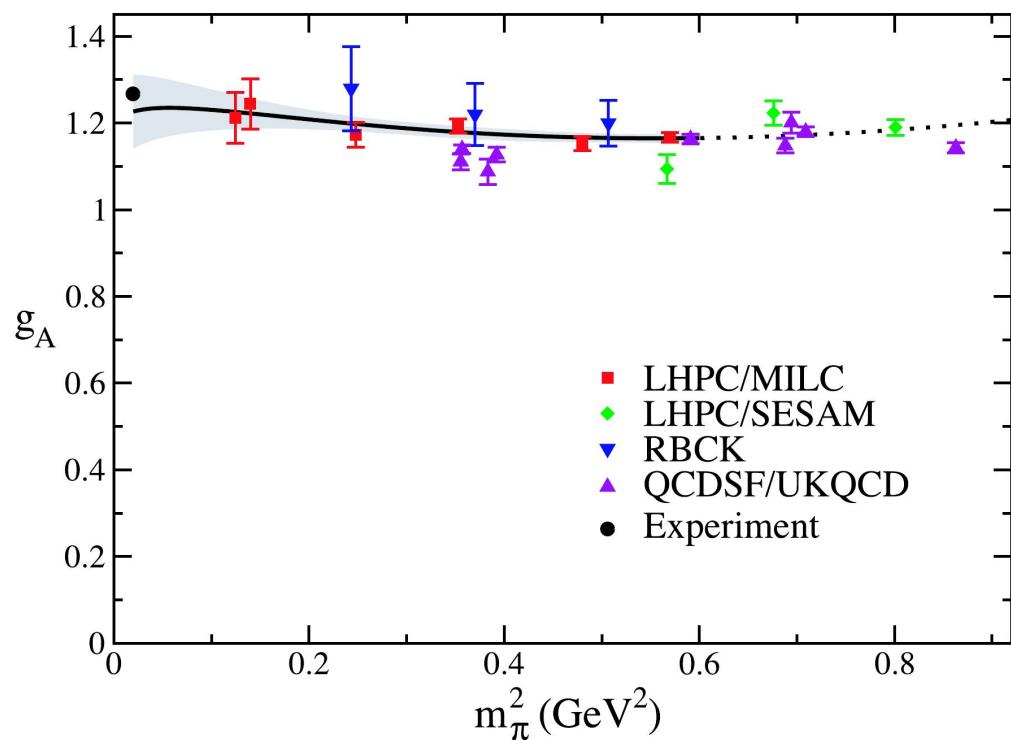
Hagler et al, PRL 93 (2004) 112001  
Gockeler et al, PRL 92 (2004) 042002

W. Bietenholz et al, PoS LATTICE(2009) 138

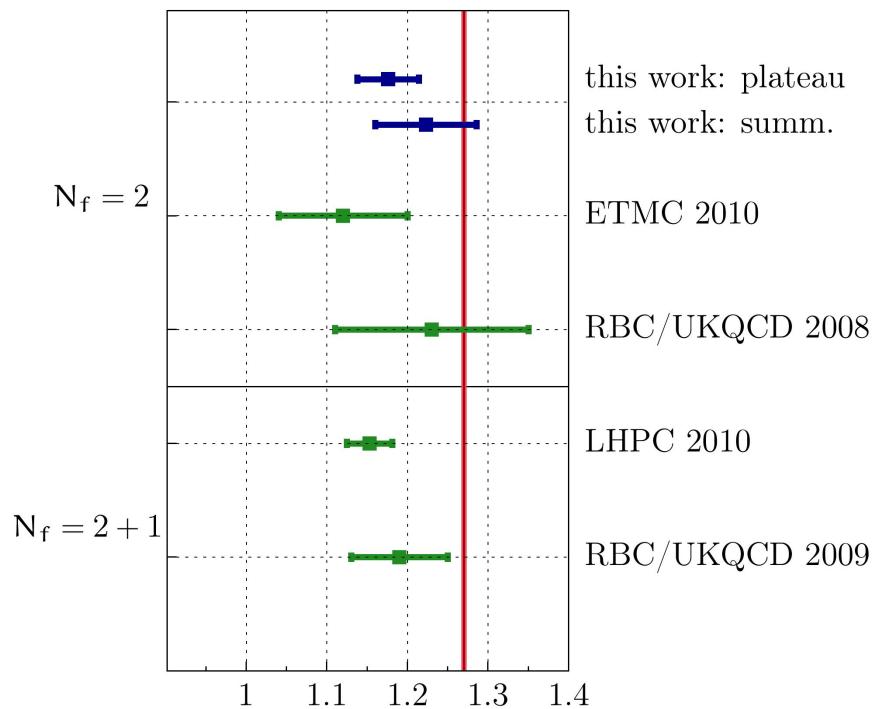
# Nucleon axial charge

$$\langle x^0 \rangle_{\Delta q} = \int_0^1 dx [\Delta q(x) + \Delta \bar{q}(x)]$$

$$\Delta q(x) = q_\uparrow(x) - q_\downarrow(x)$$



Edwards *et al*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 96 (2006) 052001



Capitani *et al*, Phys. Rev. D 86 (2012) 074502

# Direct determination of PDFs: LaMET

Relate PDFs

$$q(x, \mu^2) = \int \frac{d\xi^-}{4\pi} e^{-ix\xi^- P^+} \langle P | \bar{\psi}(\xi^-) \gamma^+ e^{-ig \int_0^{\xi^-} d\eta^- A^+(\eta^-)} \psi(0) | P \rangle$$

X. Ji et al, PRD 91 (2015) 074009  
X. Ji, Sc. China (2014)  
X. Ji, PRL 110 (2013) 262002

to “quasi”-distributions

$$\bar{q}(x, \mu^2, P^z) = \int \frac{dz}{4\pi} e^{izk^z} \langle P | \bar{\psi}(z) \gamma^z e^{-ig \int_0^z dz' A^z(z')} \psi(0) | P \rangle + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2/(P^z)^2, M^2/(P^z)^2)$$

via a factorisation formula

$$\bar{q}(x, \mu^2, P^z) = \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} Z\left(\frac{x}{y}, \frac{\mu}{P^z}\right) q(y, \mu^2) + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2/(P^z)^2, M^2/(P^z)^2)$$

X. Ji & J.-H. Zhang, PRD 92 (2015) 034006  
X. Ji et al, arXiv/1506.00248  
X. Xiong et al, PRD 90 (2014) 014051

Requires renormalisation of nonlocal operators

Some progress towards this via HQET at NLO

- relation to OPE-based approaches?

W. Detmold & C.J.D. Lin, PRD 73 (2006) 014501

Initial lattice studies at a single lattice spacing

C. Alexandrou et al, PRD 92 (2015) 014502  
H.-W. Lin et al, PRD 91 (2014) 054510

Moments of quark density

$$\langle x^n \rangle_q = \int_0^1 dx x^n (q(x) + (-1)^{n+1} \bar{q}(x)) \quad q = q_\uparrow + q_\downarrow$$

helicity

$$\langle x^n \rangle_{\Delta q} = \int_0^1 dx x^n (\Delta q(x) + (-1)^n \Delta \bar{q}(x)) \quad \Delta q = q_\uparrow - q_\downarrow$$

and transversity

$$\langle x^n \rangle_{\delta q} = \int_0^1 dx x^n (\delta q(x) + (-1)^{n+1} \delta \bar{q}(x)) \quad \delta q = q_\top - q_\perp$$

Odd moments related to spin-independent structure functions

$$\int_0^1 dx x^{n-1} F_1(x, Q^2) = \frac{1}{2} c_n^{(q)}(Q^2/\mu^2) \sum_f e_f^2 \langle x^{n-1} \rangle_{q_f}(\mu)$$

$$\int_0^1 dx x^{n-2} F_2(x, Q^2) = c_n^{(q)}(Q^2/\mu^2) \sum_f e_f^2 \langle x^{n-1} \rangle_{q_f}(\mu)$$

Even moments related to spin-dependent structure function

$$\int_0^1 dx x^n g_1(x, Q^2) = \frac{1}{2} c_n^{(\Delta q)}(Q^2/\mu^2) \sum_f e_f^2 \langle x^n \rangle_{\Delta q_f}(\mu)$$

Moments are related to matrix elements of local operators

$$\mathcal{O}_{\{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n\}}^{(q_f)} = \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^{n-1} \bar{\psi}^f \gamma_{\{\mu_1} \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_2} \cdots \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_n\}} \psi^f$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\{\sigma \mu_1 \dots \mu_n\}}^{(\Delta q_f)} = \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^n \bar{\psi}^f \gamma_5 \gamma_{\{\sigma} \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_1} \cdots \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_n\}} \psi^f$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mu\{\nu \mu_1 \dots \mu_n\}}^{(\delta q_f)} = \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^n \bar{\psi}^f \gamma_5 \sigma_{\mu\{\nu} \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_1} \cdots \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_n\}} \psi^f$$

Via

$$2\langle x^{n-1} \rangle_{q_f} P_{\mu_1} \cdots P_{\mu_n} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_S \langle P, S | \mathcal{O}_{\{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n\}}^{(q_f)} | P, S \rangle$$

$$\frac{2}{n+1} \langle x^n \rangle_{\Delta q_f} S_{\{\sigma} P_{\mu_1} \cdots P_{\mu_n\}} = - \langle P, S | \mathcal{O}_{\{\sigma \mu_1 \dots \mu_n\}}^{(\Delta q_f)} | P, S \rangle$$

$$\frac{2}{m_N} \langle x^n \rangle_{\delta q_f} S_{[\mu} P_{\{\nu]} P_{\mu_1} \cdots P_{\mu_n\}} = \langle P, S | \mathcal{O}_{\mu\{\nu \mu_1 \dots \mu_n\}}^{(\delta q_f)} | P, S \rangle$$

For Euclidean lattice operators

$$\mathcal{O}_{\{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n\}}^{(q_f)} = \bar{\psi}^f \gamma_{\{\mu_1} \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}_{\mu_2} \dots \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}_{\mu_n\}} \psi^f$$
$$\mathcal{O}_{\{\sigma \mu_1 \dots \mu_n\}}^{(5)} = \bar{\psi}^f \gamma_{\{\sigma} \gamma_5 \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}_{\mu_1} \dots \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}_{\mu_n\}} \psi^f$$

Lie in same  $O(4)$  irrep, but inequivalent reps of  $H(4)$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\{14\}}^{(q_f)} \quad \mathcal{O}_{\{44\}}^{(q_f)} - \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^3 \mathcal{O}_{\{ii\}}^{(q_f)}$$

Lie in same  $H(4)$  irrep

$$\mathcal{O}_{\{14\}}^{(5)} \quad \mathcal{O}_{\{24\}}^{(5)}$$

See, for example,  
Gockeler et al, PRD 54 (1996) 5705

Second moment operator

$$\mathcal{O}_{\{114\}}^{(q_f)} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \mathcal{O}_{\{224\}}^{(q_f)} + \mathcal{O}_{\{334\}}^{(q_f)} \right)$$

Third moment operator

$$\mathcal{O}_{\{1144\}}^{(q_f)} + \mathcal{O}_{\{2233\}}^{(q_f)} - \mathcal{O}_{\{1133\}}^{(q_f)} - \mathcal{O}_{\{2244\}}^{(q_f)}$$

which mixes with

$$\bar{\psi}^f \sigma_{[\mu} \nu \gamma_5 \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}_{\mu_1} \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}_{\mu_2]} \psi^f$$

## JLab 12GeV physics

Study deep valence region of PDFs,  $x > 0.5$ . Proton well constrained for  $x < 0.8$ , but no free neutron targets limits precision for neutrons above  $x \sim 0.5$ , due to ignorance of nuclear modification effects. Answer question: why is d quark distribution softer than expected from flavour symmetry?

Polarisation asymmetry unknown in neutrons for  $x > 0.6$ . Though there exist rigorous QCD predictions.

Large-x distributions relevant to high energy collider backgrounds: high-x uncertainties at lower  $Q^2$  feed into low-x region at higher  $Q^2$  via perturbative evolution.

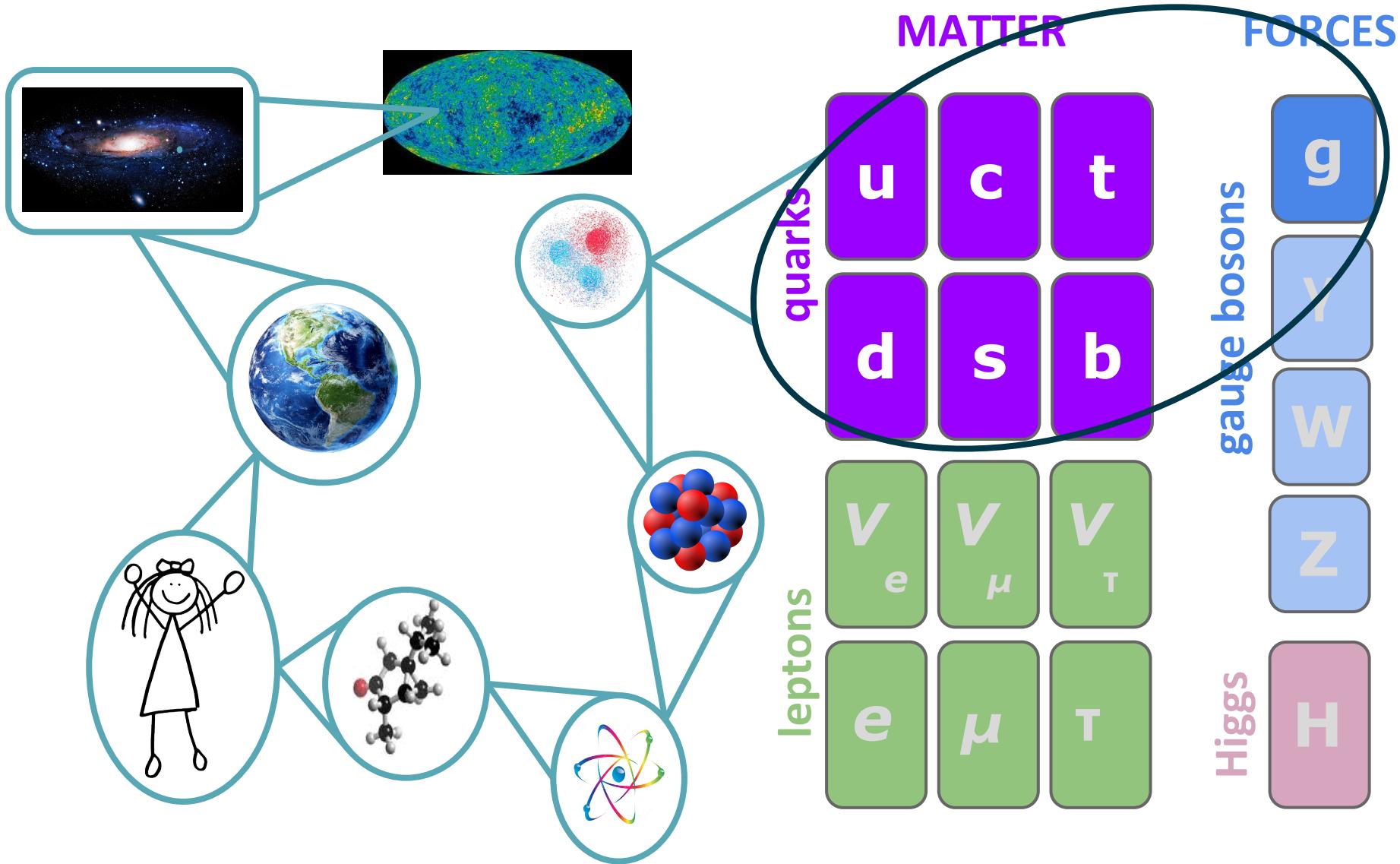
Proton and neutron polarisation asymmetries. Both at  $x > 0.4$  for  $Q^2 \sim 8\text{-}9 \text{ GeV}$  and for  $x < 0.95$  in resonance region,  $Q^2 \sim 2\text{-}7 \text{ GeV}$

## JLab 12GeV physics

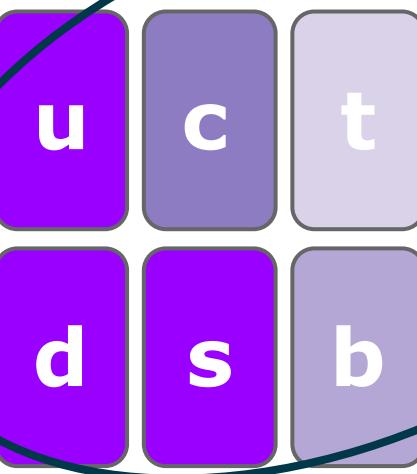
Ji sum rule - vector GPDs yield total contribution of quark OAM to nucleon spin.  
Cannot measure sum directly, but constrain models of GPDs that predict sum rule values.

Expect strong correlation between transverse size and longitudinal momentum:  
large  $x \rightarrow$  soft  $t$  dependence (small in transverse direction) & small  $x \rightarrow$  stiff  $t$  dependence

Test factorisation in DVCS and high  $P_T$  meson production

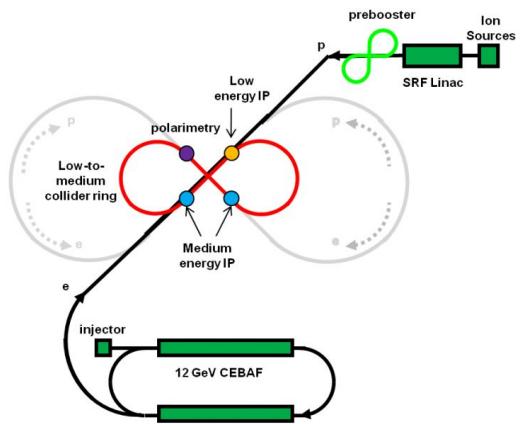
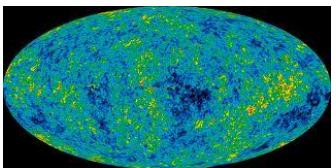


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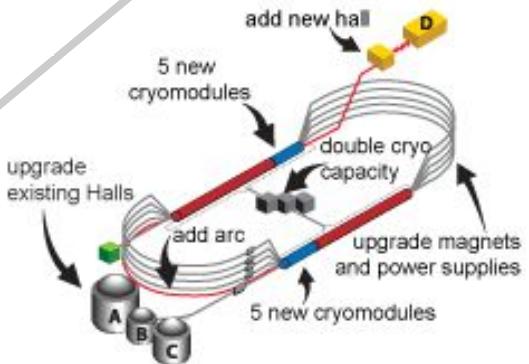


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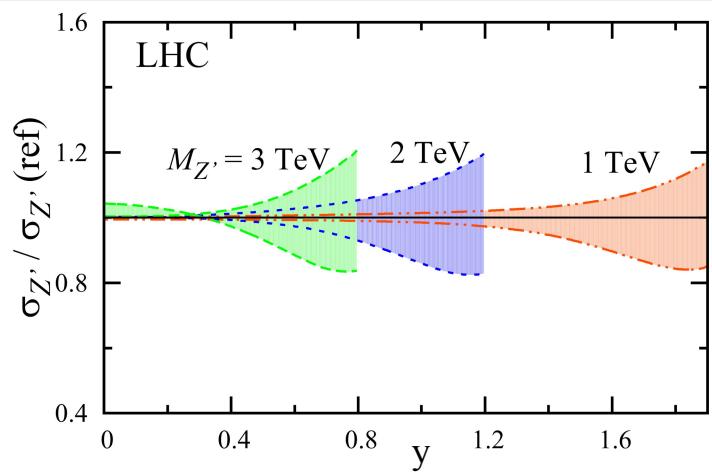
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Brady *et al.*, JHEP 1206 (2012) 019