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# Tomography of pions and protons from transverse momentum dependent distributions

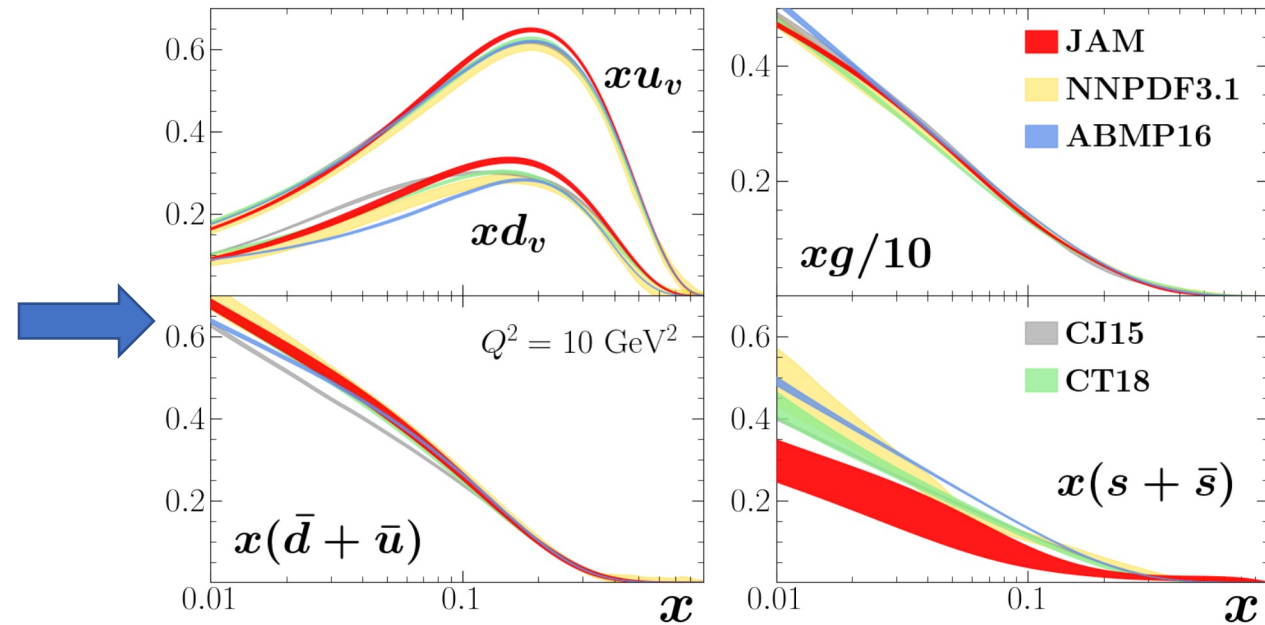
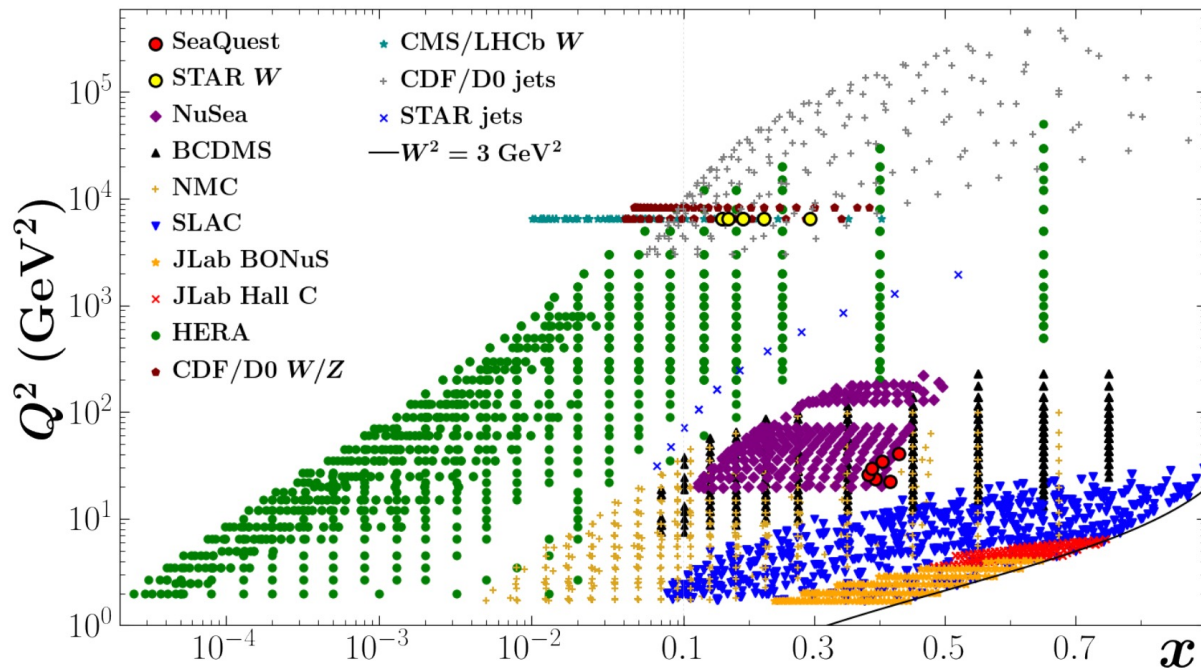
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# What do we know about structures?

- Most well-known structure is through longitudinal structure of hadrons, particularly protons

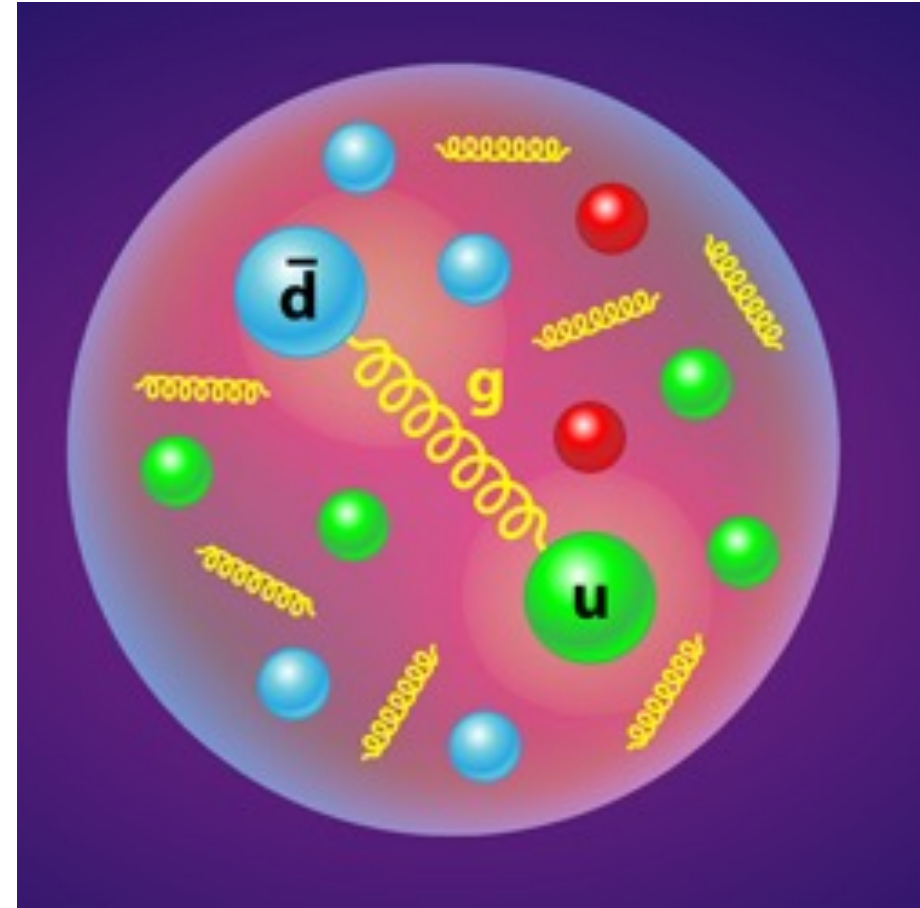


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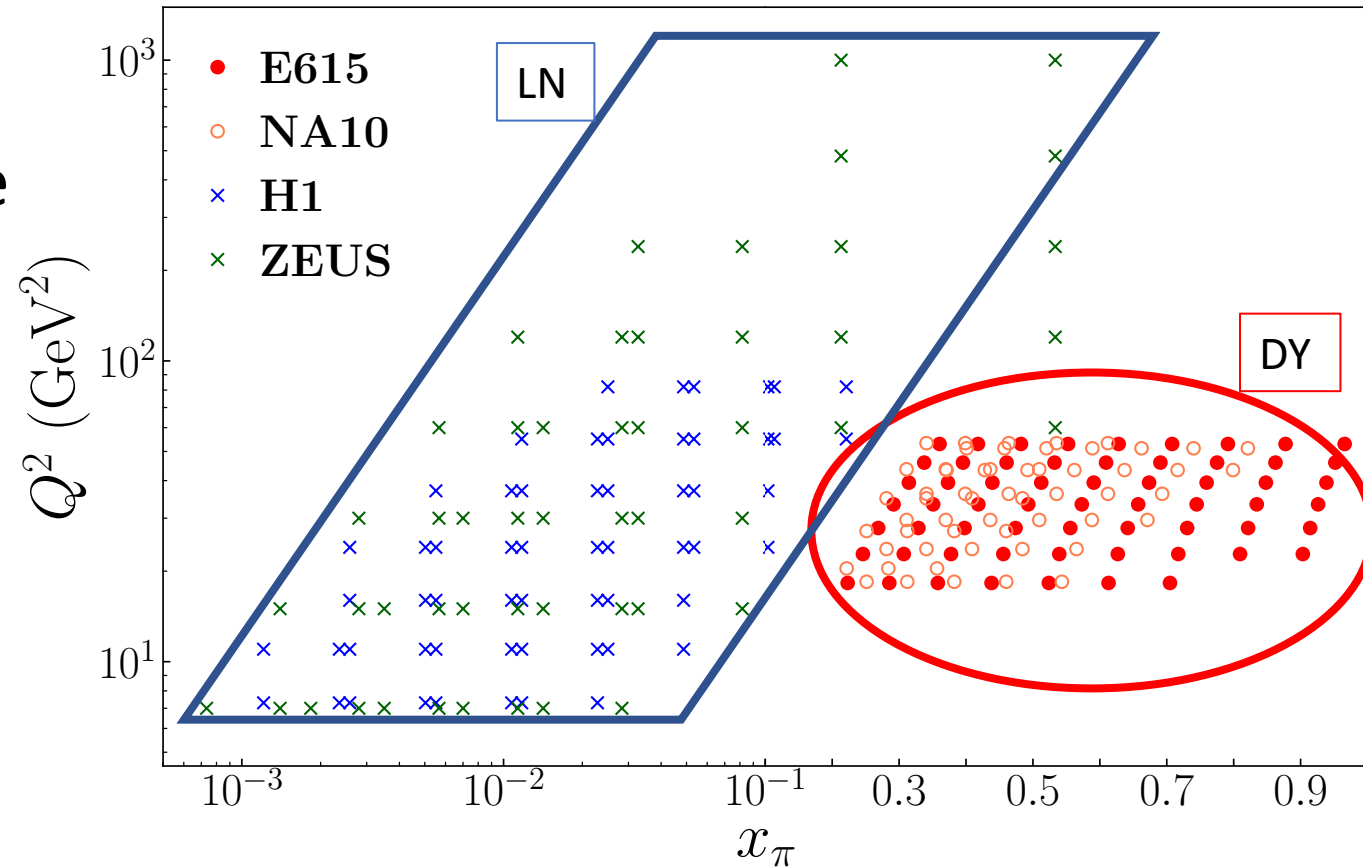
# Other structures?

- To give deeper insights into color confined systems, we shouldn't limit ourselves to proton structures
- Pions are also important because of their Goldstone-boson nature while also being made up of quarks and gluons



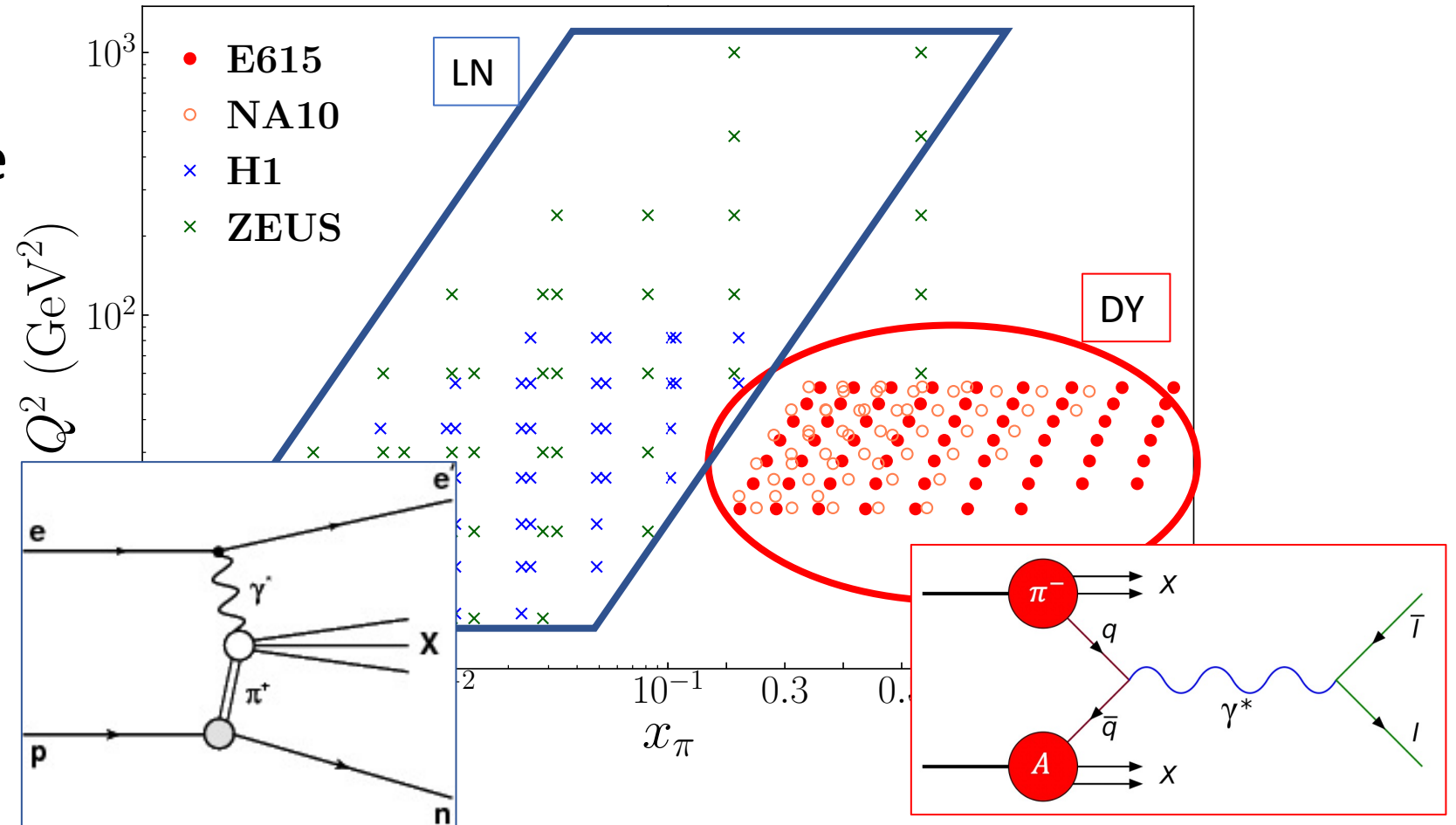
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- Still valuable to study

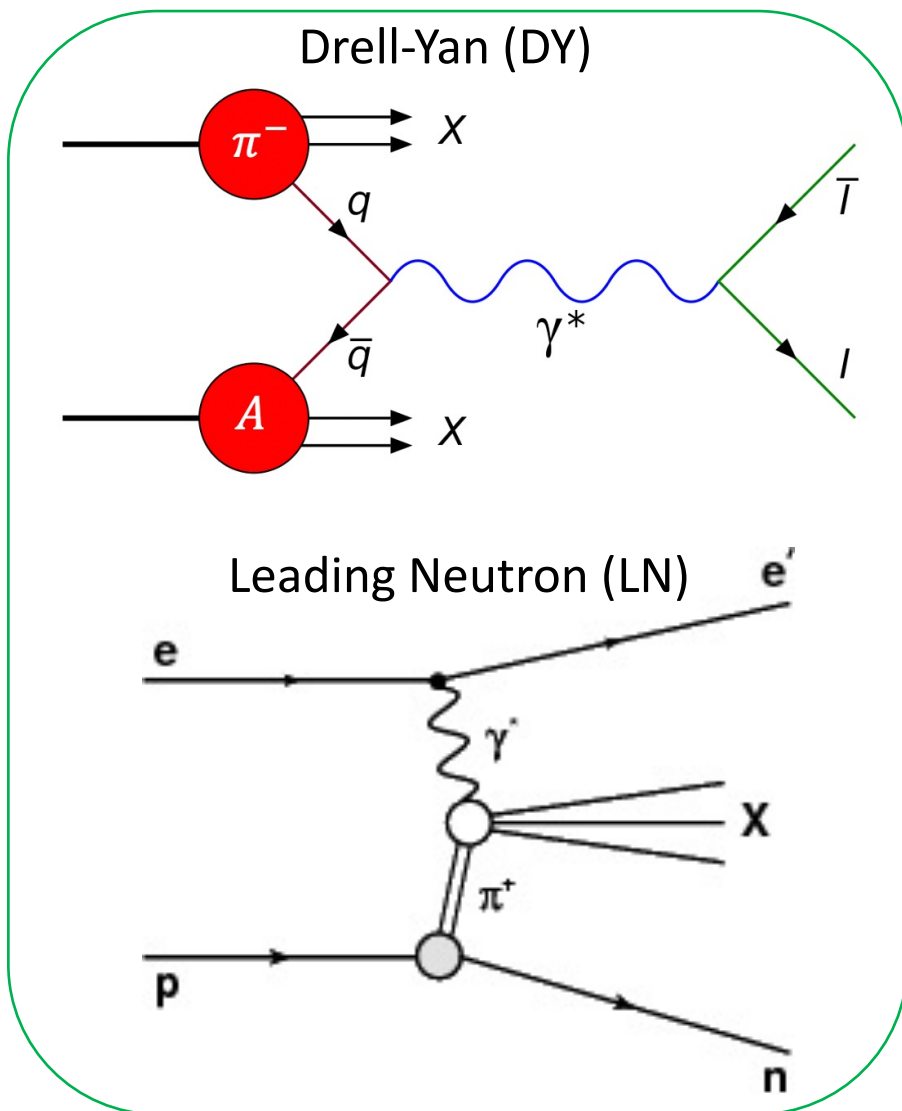


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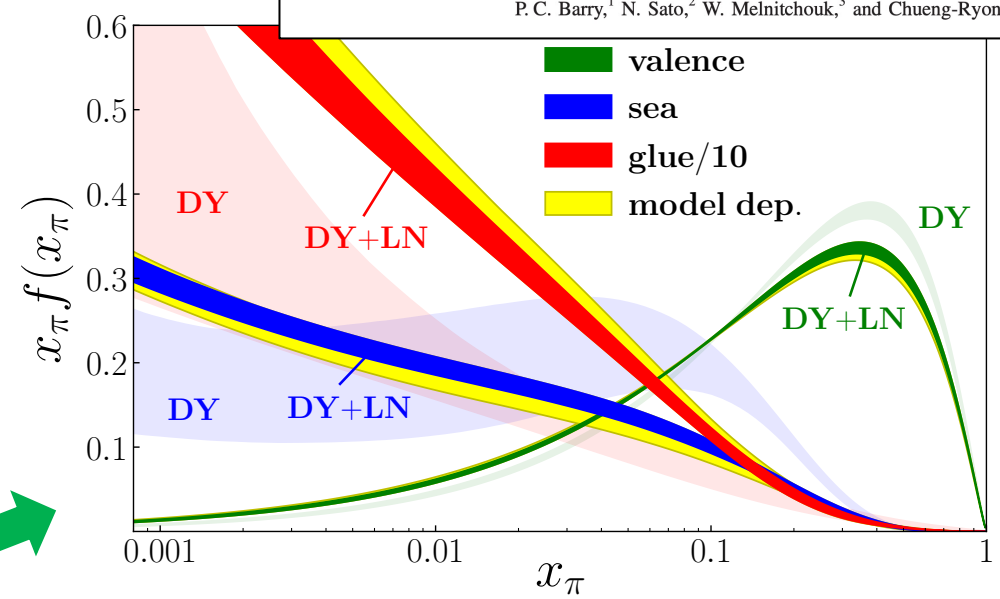
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# Pion PDFs in JAM

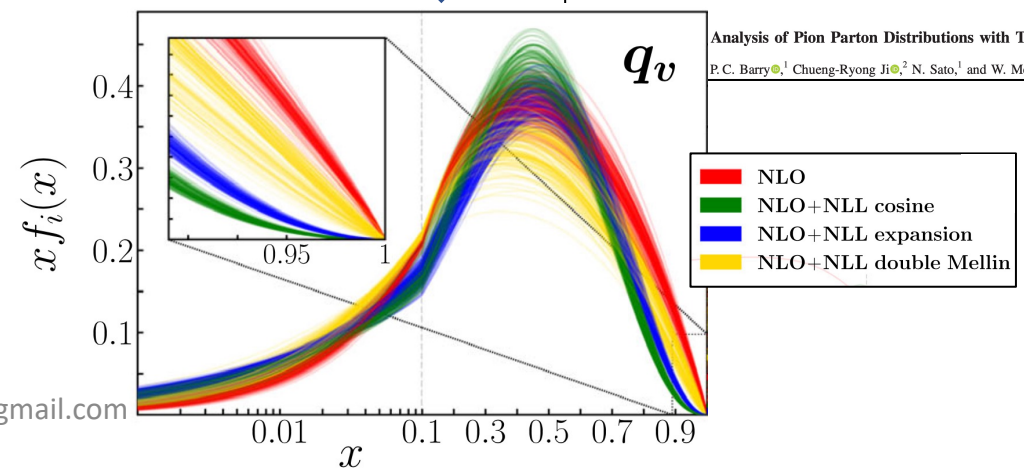


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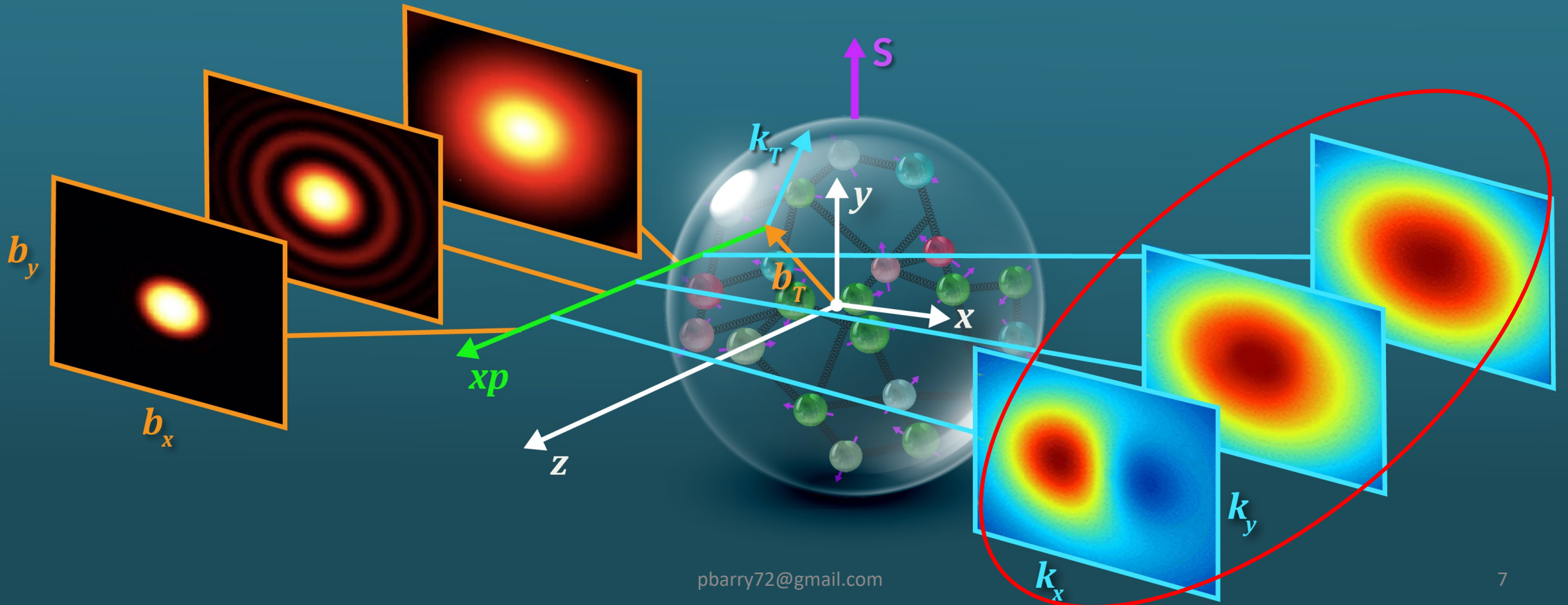
Threshold resummation in DY

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# 3D structures of hadrons

- Even more challenging is the 3d structure through GPDs and TMDs



# Unpolarized TMD PDF

$$\tilde{f}_{q/\mathcal{N}}(x, b_T) = \int \frac{db^-}{4\pi} e^{-ixP^+b^-} \text{Tr} [\langle \mathcal{N} | \bar{\psi}_q(b) \gamma^+ \mathcal{W}(b, 0) \psi_q(0) | \mathcal{N} \rangle]$$

$$b \equiv (b^-, 0^+, \mathbf{b}_T)$$

- $\mathbf{b}_T$  is the Fourier conjugate to the intrinsic transverse momentum of quarks in the hadron,  $\mathbf{k}_T$
- We can learn about the coordinate space correlations of quark fields in hadrons
- Modification needed for UV and rapidity divergences; acquire regulators:  $\tilde{f}_{q/\mathcal{N}}(x, b_T) \rightarrow \tilde{f}_{q/\mathcal{N}}(x, b_T; \mu, \zeta)$



# Factorization for low- $q_T$ Drell-Yan

- Like collinear observable, a **hard part** with two functions that describe **structure** of **beam** and **target**
- So called “ $W$ ”-term, valid only at low- $q_T$

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{d\tau dY dq_T^2} = \frac{4\pi^2\alpha^2}{9\tau S^2} \sum_q H_{q\bar{q}}(Q^2, \mu) \int d^2b_T e^{ib_T \cdot q_T} \\ \times \tilde{f}_{q/\pi}(x_\pi, b_T, \mu, Q^2) \tilde{f}_{\bar{q}/A}(x_A, b_T, \mu, Q^2),$$

# TMD PDF within the $b_*$ prescription

$$\mathbf{b}_*(\mathbf{b}_T) \equiv \frac{\mathbf{b}_T}{\sqrt{1 + b_T^2/b_{\max}^2}}$$

Low- $b_T$ : perturbative  
high- $b_T$ : non-perturbative

$$\tilde{f}_{q/\mathcal{N}(A)}(x, b_T, \mu_Q, Q^2) = (C \otimes f)_{q/\mathcal{N}(A)}(x; b_*) \times \exp \left\{ -g_{q/\mathcal{N}(A)}(x, b_T) - g_K(b_T) \ln \frac{Q}{Q_0} - S(b_*, Q_0, Q, \mu_Q) \right\}$$

Relates the TMD at small- $b_T$  to the **collinear** PDF  
 $\Rightarrow$  TMD is sensitive to collinear PDFs

$g_{q/\mathcal{N}(A)}$ : intrinsic non-perturbative structure of the TMD  
 $g_K$ : universal non-perturbative Collins-Soper kernel

Controls the perturbative evolution of the TMD

# A few details

- Nuclear TMD model linear combination of bound protons and neutrons
  - Include an additional  $A$ -dependent nuclear parameter
- We use the MAP collaboration's parametrization for non-perturbative TMDs
  - Only tested parametrization flexible enough to capture features of  $Q$  bins
- Perform a **simultaneous global analysis** of pion TMD and collinear PDFs, with proton (nuclear) TMDs

# Note about E615 $\pi A$ Drell-Yan data

- Provides both  $\frac{d\sigma}{dx_F d\sqrt{\tau}}$  ( $p_T$ -integrated) and  $\frac{d\sigma}{dx_F dp_T}$  ( $p_T$ -dependent)
  - Large constraints on  $\pi$  collinear PDFs from  $p_T$ -integrated
  - Large constraints on  $\pi$  TMD PDFs from  $p_T$ -dependent
- Projections of same events  $\Rightarrow$  correlated measurements
- They have the **same luminosity** uncertainty, so they have the **same overall normalization** uncertainty
- To account for this, we *equate* the fitted normalizations of the two otherwise independent measurements
  - No other guidance from experiment how the uncertainties are correlated

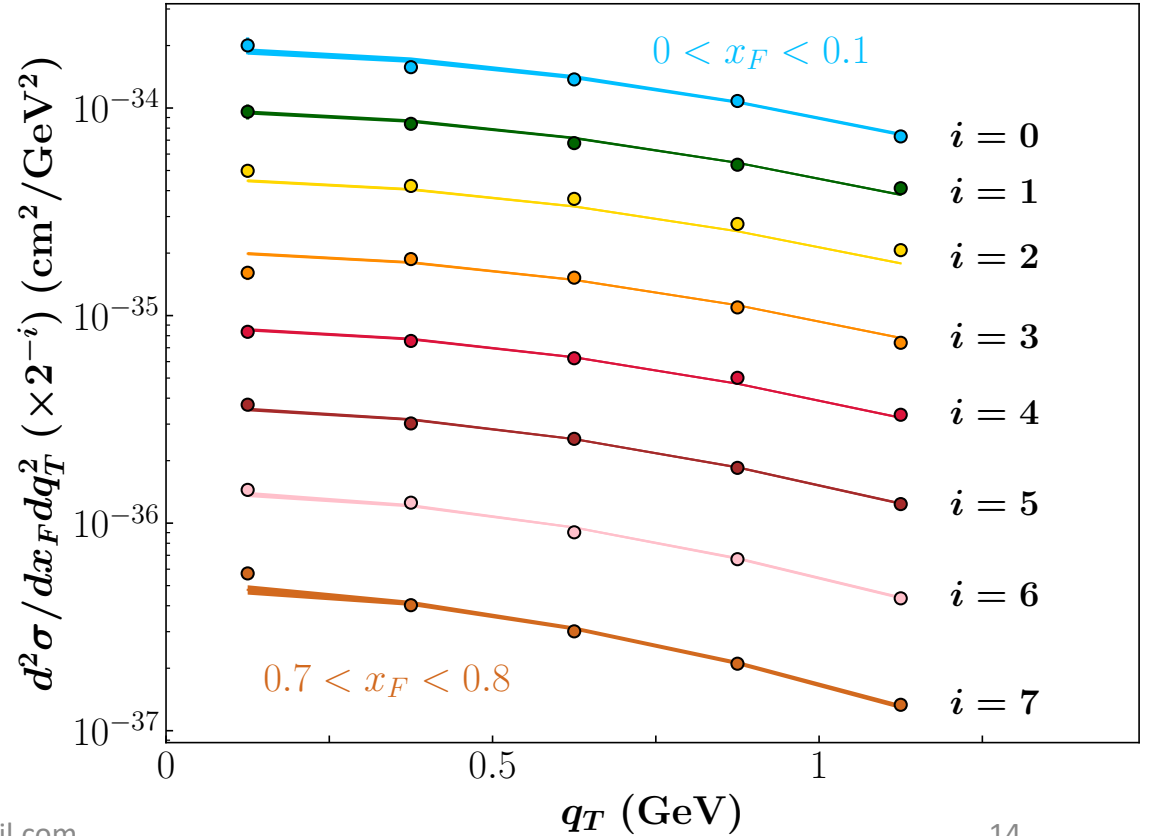
# Note on collinear DY theory

- When equating the normalizations, we found
  - **Agreement** when using **NLO** theory on the **collinear** observables
  - **Tension** when using **NLO+NLL** threshold resummed theory on the **collinear** observables
- We note that in the OPE part of the **TMD** formalism, we use **NLO** accuracy
  - We do not use any *threshold enhancements* on the  **$p_T$ -dependent** observables

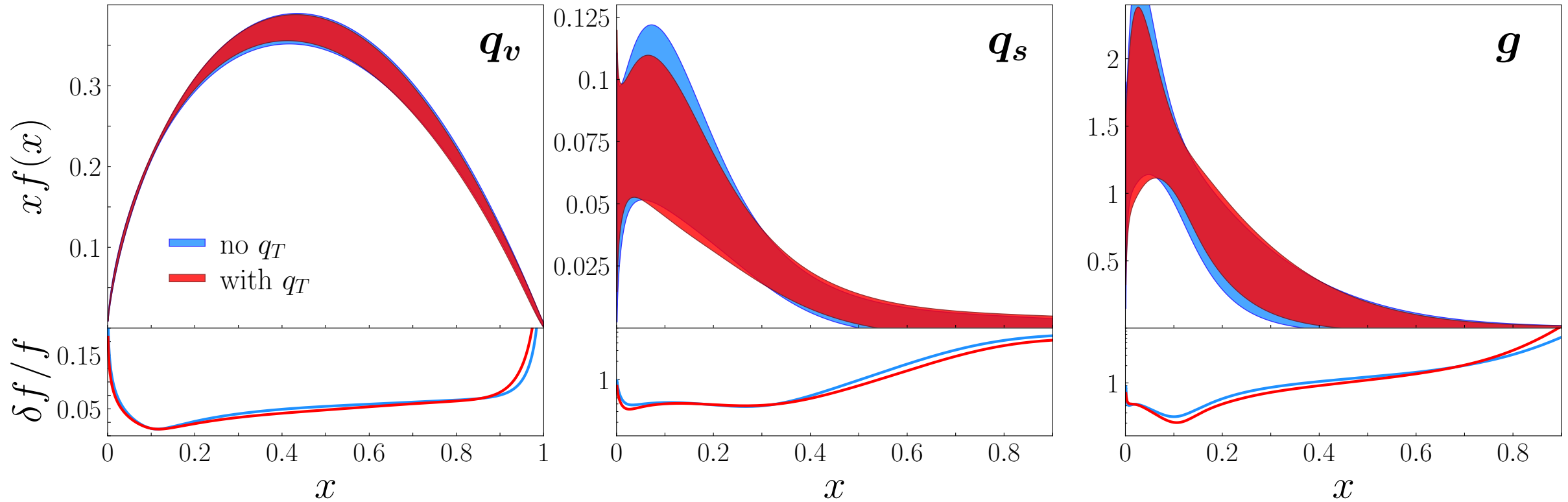
# Data and theory agreement

- Fit both  $pA$  and  $\pi A$  DY data and achieve good agreement to both

Process	Experiment	$\sqrt{s}$ (GeV)	$\chi^2/N$	Z-score
<b>TMD</b>				
$q_T$ -dep. $pA$ DY	E288 [90]	19.4	1.07	0.34
$pA \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	E288 [90]	23.8	0.99	0.05
	E288 [90]	24.7	0.82	0.99
	E605 [91]	38.8	1.22	1.03
	E772 [92]	38.8	2.54	5.64
	(Fe/Be)	E866 [93]	38.8	1.10
(W/Be)	E866 [93]	38.8	0.96	0.15
$q_T$ -dep. $\pi A$ DY	E615 [94]	21.8	1.45	1.85
$\pi W \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	E537 [95]	15.3	0.97	0.03
<b>collinear</b>				
$q_T$ -integr. DY	E615 [94]	21.8	0.90	0.48
$\pi W \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	NA10 [96]	19.1	0.59	1.98
	NA10 [96]	23.2	0.92	0.16
leading neutron	H1 [97]	318.7	0.36	4.59
$ep \rightarrow enX$	ZEUS [98]	300.3	1.48	2.15
Total			1.12	1.86



# Extracted pion PDFs

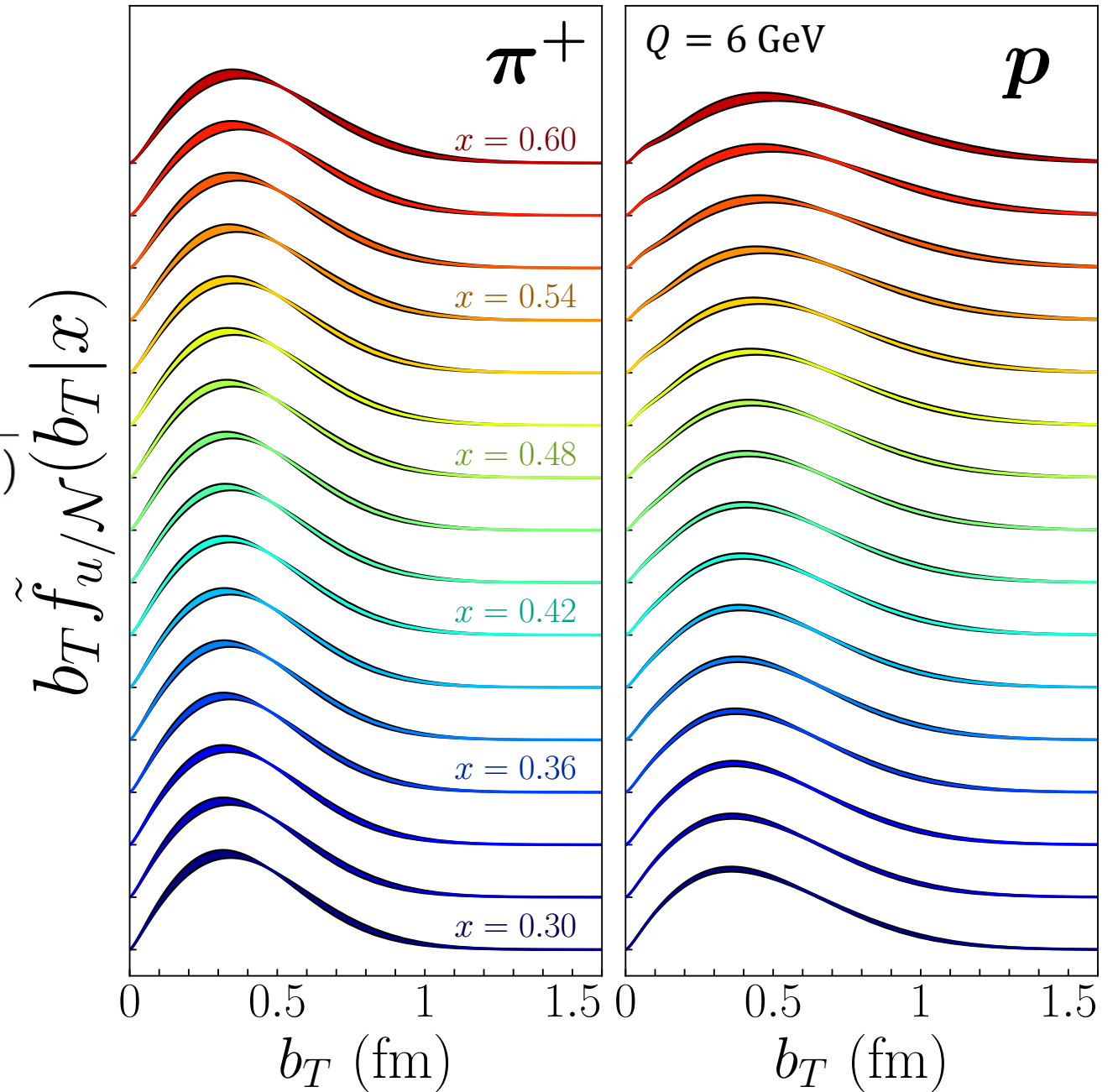


- The small- $q_T$  data do not constrain much the PDFs

# Resulting TMD PDFs of proton and pion

$$\tilde{f}_{q/\mathcal{N}}(b_T|x; Q, Q^2) \equiv \frac{\tilde{f}_{q/\mathcal{N}}(x, b_T; Q, Q^2)}{\int d^2\mathbf{b}_T \tilde{f}_{q/\mathcal{N}}(x, b_T; Q, Q^2)}$$

- Broadening appearing as  $x$  increases
- Up quark in pion is narrower than up quark in proton

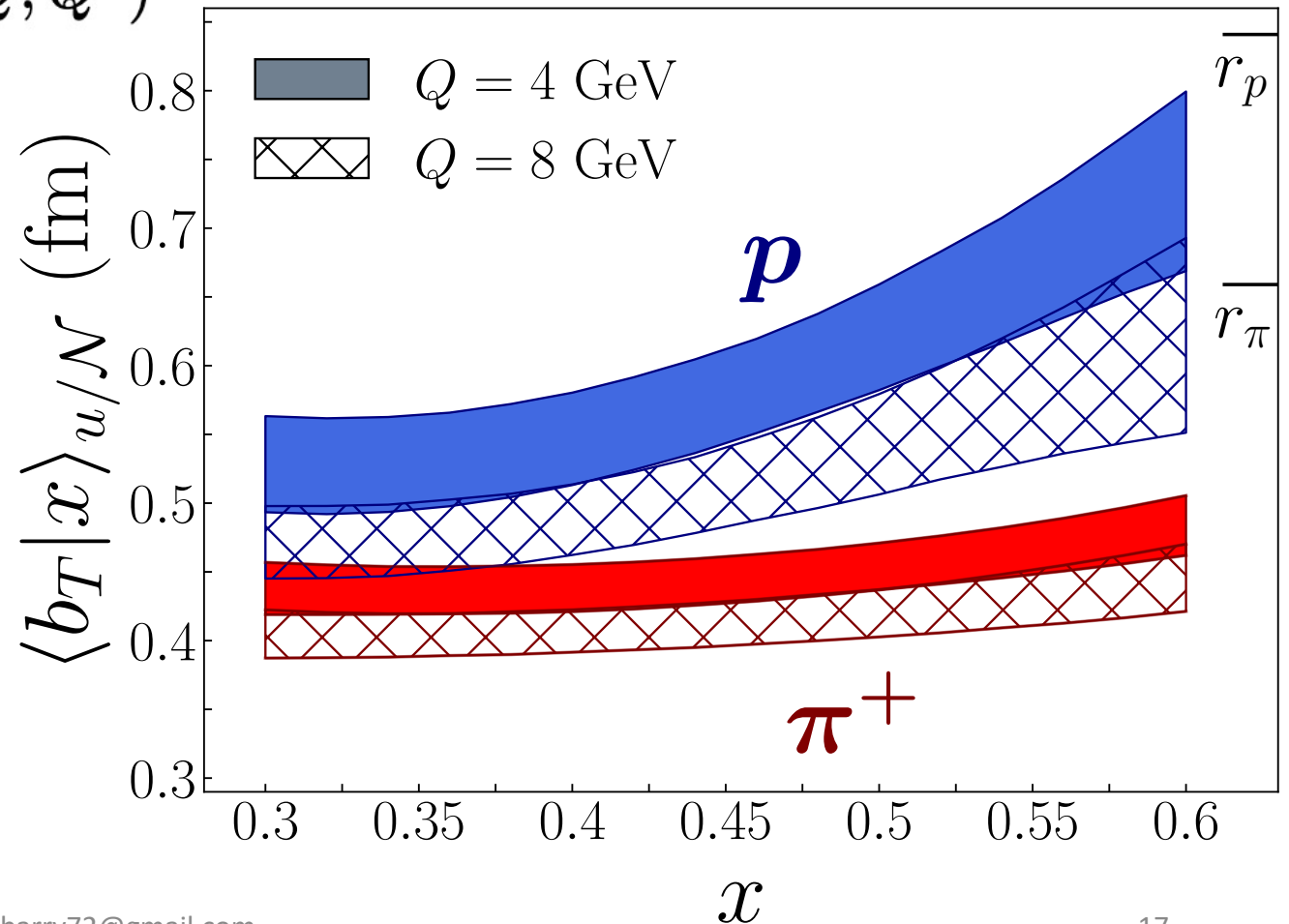




# Resulting average $b_T$

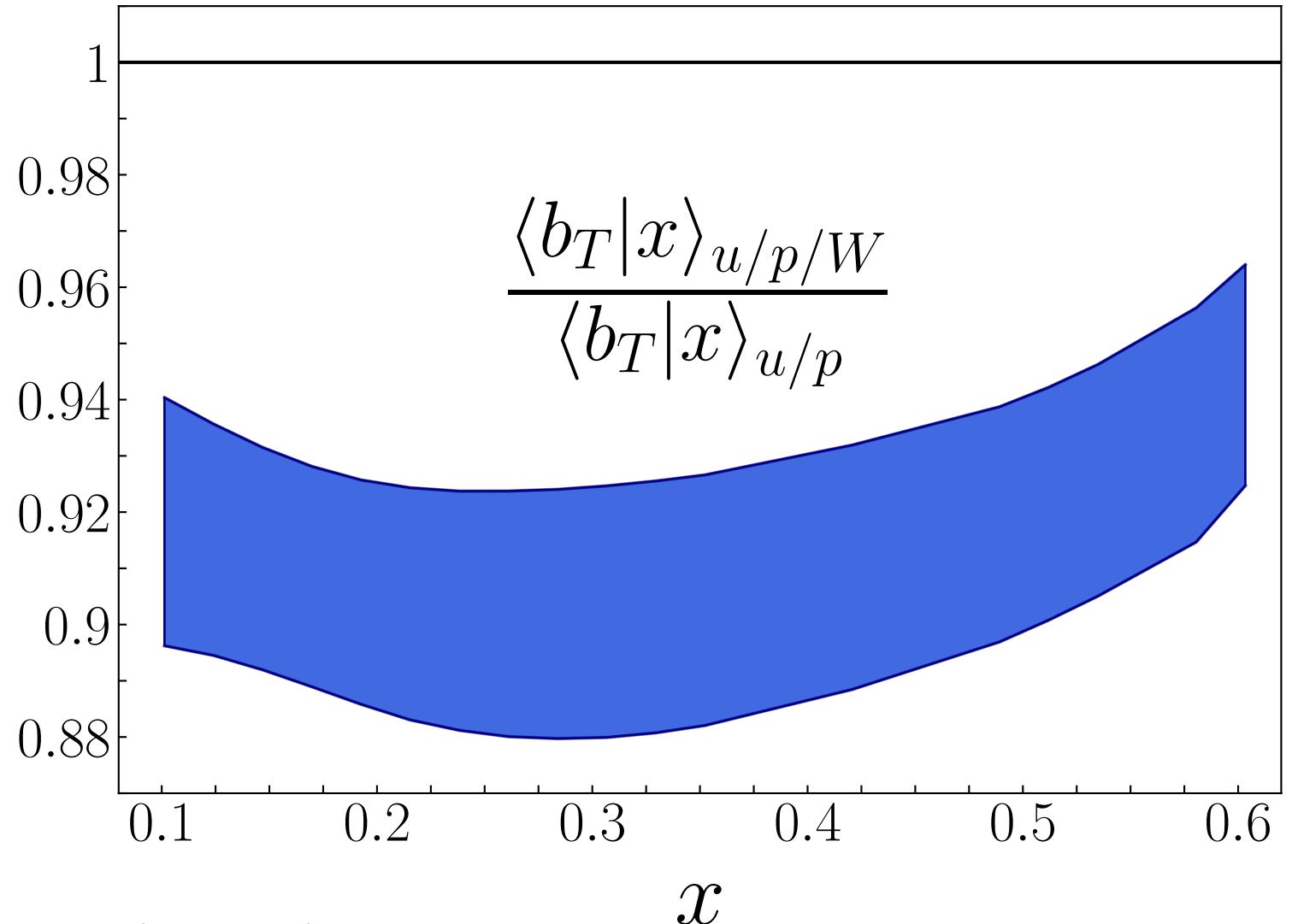
$$\langle b_T | x \rangle_{q/\mathcal{N}} = \int d^2 \mathbf{b}_T b_T \tilde{f}_{q/\mathcal{N}}(b_T | x; Q, Q^2)$$

- Average transverse spatial correlation of the up quark in proton is  $\sim 1.2$  times bigger than that of pion
- Pion's  $\langle b_T | x \rangle$  is  $4 - 5.2\sigma$  smaller than proton in this range
- Decreases as  $x$  decreases



# Transverse EMC effect

- Compare the average  $b_T$  given  $x$  for the up quark in the bound proton to that of the free proton
- Less than 1 by  $\sim 5 - 12\%$  over the  $x$  range



# Outlook

- Future studies needed for theoretical explanations of these phenomena
- Look into threshold corrections in the OPE formalism
- Lattice QCD can in principle calculate any hadronic state – look to kaons, rho mesons, etc.
- Future tagged experiments such as at EIC and JLab 22 GeV can provide measurements for neutrons, pions, and kaons

# Backup

# Small $b_T$ operator product expansion

- At small  $b_T$ , the TMDPDF can be described in terms of its OPE:

$$\tilde{f}_{f/h}(x, b_T; \mu, \zeta_F) = \sum_j \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \tilde{C}_{f/j}(x/\xi, b_T; \zeta_F, \mu) f_{j/h}(\xi; \mu) + \mathcal{O}((\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} b_T)^a)$$

- where  $\tilde{C}$  are the Wilson coefficients, and  $f_{j/h}$  is the collinear PDF
- Breaks down when  $b_T$  gets large

# $b_*$ prescription

- A common approach to regulating large  $b_T$  behavior

$$\mathbf{b}_*(\mathbf{b}_T) \equiv \frac{\mathbf{b}_T}{\sqrt{1 + b_T^2/b_{\max}^2}}.$$

Must choose an appropriate value;  
a transition from perturbative to  
non-perturbative physics

- At small  $b_T$ ,  $b_*(b_T) = b_T$
- At large  $b_T$ ,  $b_*(b_T) = b_{\max}$

# Introduction of non-perturbative functions

- Because  $b_* \neq b_T$ , have to non-perturbatively describe large  $b_T$  behavior

Completely general –  
independent of quark,  
hadron, PDF or FF

$$g_K(b_T; b_{\max}) = -\tilde{K}(b_T, \mu) + \tilde{K}(b_*, \mu)$$

Non-perturbative function  
dependent in principle on  
flavor, hadron, etc.

$$e^{-g_{j/H}(x, \mathbf{b}_T; b_{\max})} = \frac{\tilde{f}_{j/H}(x, \mathbf{b}_T; \zeta, \mu)}{\tilde{f}_{j/H}(x, \mathbf{b}_*; \zeta, \mu)} e^{g_K(b_T; b_{\max}) \ln(\sqrt{\zeta}/Q_0)}.$$

# TMD factorization in Drell-Yan

- In small- $q_T$  region, use the Collins-Soper-Sterman (CSS) formalism and  $b_*$  prescription

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2 dy dq_T^2} = \frac{4\pi^2\alpha^2}{9Q^2 s} \sum_{j,j_A,j_B} H_{j\bar{j}}^{\text{DY}}(Q, \mu_Q, a_s(\mu_Q)) \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{b}_T}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\mathbf{q}_T \cdot \mathbf{b}_T}$$

Can these data constrain the  
pion collinear PDF?

Non-perturbative  
 pieces

$$\begin{aligned} & \times e^{-g_{j/A}(x_A, b_T; b_{\max})} \int_{x_A}^1 \frac{d\xi_A}{\xi_A} f_{j_A/A}(\xi_A; \mu_{b_*}) \tilde{C}_{j/j_A}^{\text{PDF}}\left(\frac{x_A}{\xi_A}, b_*; \mu_{b_*}^2, \mu_{b_*}, a_s(\mu_{b_*})\right) \\ & \times e^{-g_{\bar{j}/B}(x_B, b_T; b_{\max})} \int_{x_B}^1 \frac{d\xi_B}{\xi_B} f_{j_B/B}(\xi_B; \mu_{b_*}) \tilde{C}_{\bar{j}/j_B}^{\text{PDF}}\left(\frac{x_B}{\xi_B}, b_*; \mu_{b_*}^2, \mu_{b_*}, a_s(\mu_{b_*})\right) \\ & \times \exp \left\{ -g_K(b_T; b_{\max}) \ln \frac{Q^2}{Q_0^2} + \tilde{K}(b_*; \mu_{b_*}) \ln \frac{Q^2}{\mu_{b_*}^2} + \int_{\mu_{b_*}}^{\mu_Q} \frac{d\mu'}{\mu'} \left[ 2\gamma_j(a_s(\mu')) - \ln \frac{Q^2}{(\mu')^2} \gamma_K(a_s(\mu')) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Perturbative  
 pieces

Non-perturbative piece of the CS kernel



# MAP parametrization

- A recent work from the MAP collaboration ([arXiv:2206.07598](https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.07598)) used a complicated form for the non-perturbative function

$$f_{1NP}(x, \mathbf{b}_T^2; \zeta, Q_0) = \frac{g_1(x) e^{-g_1(x) \frac{\mathbf{b}_T^2}{4}} + \lambda^2 g_{1B}^2(x) \left[ 1 - g_{1B}(x) \frac{\mathbf{b}_T^2}{4} \right] e^{-g_{1B}(x) \frac{\mathbf{b}_T^2}{4}} + \lambda_2^2 g_{1C}(x) e^{-g_{1C}(x) \frac{\mathbf{b}_T^2}{4}}}{g_1(x) + \lambda^2 g_{1B}^2(x) + \lambda_2^2 g_{1C}(x)} \left[ \frac{\zeta}{Q_0^2} \right]^{g_K(\mathbf{b}_T^2)/2}, \quad (38)$$

$$g_{\{1,1B,1C\}}(x) = N_{\{1,1B,1C\}} \frac{x^{\sigma_{\{1,2,3\}}} (1-x)^{\alpha_{\{1,2,3\}}^2}}{\hat{x}^{\sigma_{\{1,2,3\}}} (1-\hat{x})^{\alpha_{\{1,2,3\}}^2}},$$

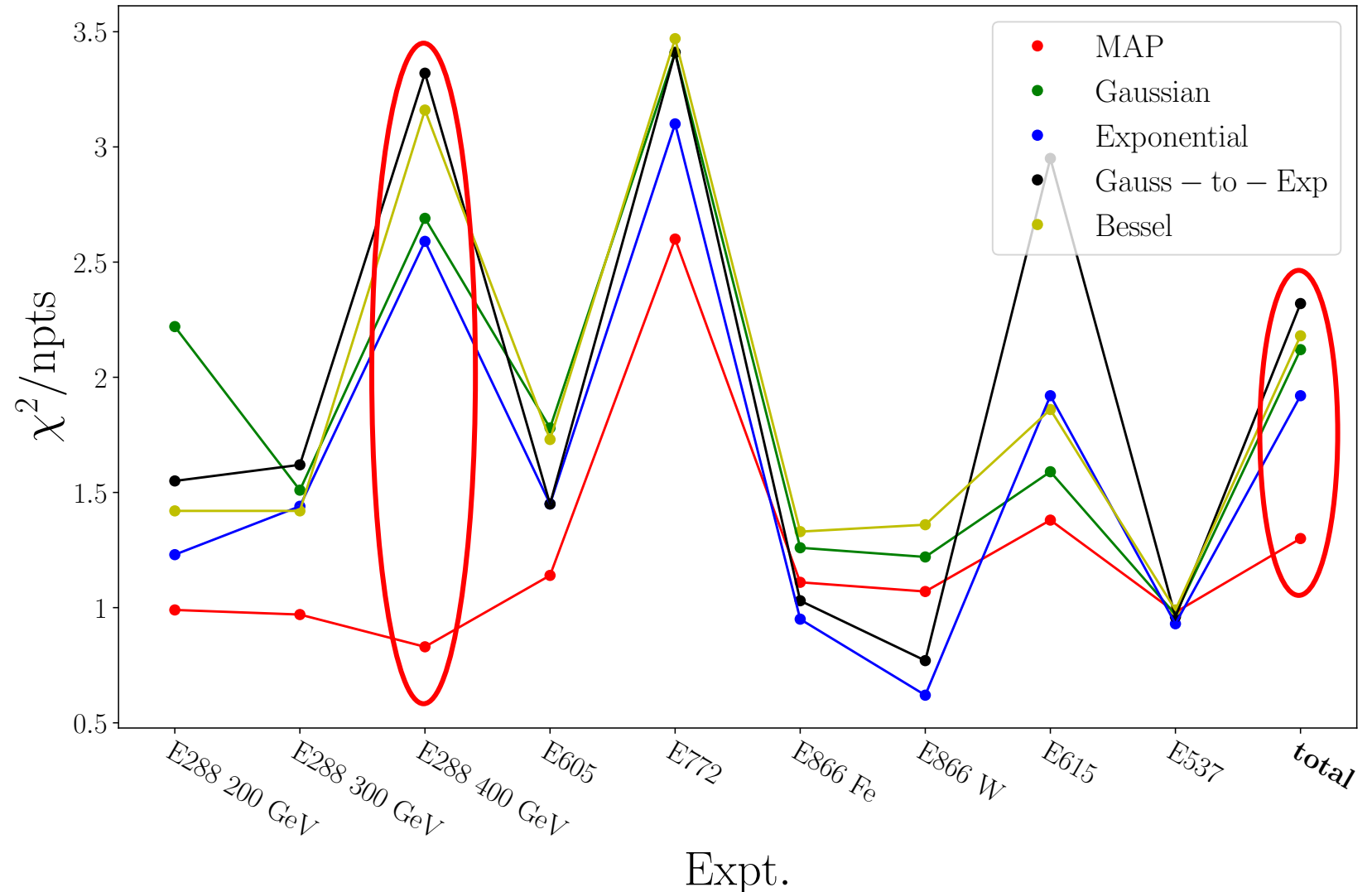
$$g_K(\mathbf{b}_T^2) = -g_2^2 \frac{\mathbf{b}_T^2}{2}$$

Universal CS kernel

- 11 free parameters for each hadron! (flavor dependence not necessary) (12 if we include the nuclear TMD parameter)

# Resulting $\chi^2$ for each parametrization

- Tried multiple parametrizations for non-perturbative TMD structures
- MAP parametrization is able to describe better all the datasets



# Nuclear TMD PDFs – working hypothesis

- We must model the nuclear TMD PDF from proton

$$\tilde{f}_{q/A}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta) = \frac{Z}{A} \tilde{f}_{q/p/A}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta) + \frac{A - Z}{A} \tilde{f}_{q/n/A}(x, b_T, \mu, \zeta)$$

- Each object on the right side independently obeys the CSS equation
  - **Assumption** that the bound proton and bound neutron follow TMD factorization
- Make use of isospin symmetry in that  $u/p/A \leftrightarrow d/n/A$ , etc.

# Building of the nuclear TMD PDF

- Then taking into account the intrinsic non-perturbative, we model the flavor-dependent pieces of the TMD PDF as

$$(C \otimes f)_{u/A}(x) e^{-g_{u/A}(x, b_T)} \rightarrow \frac{Z}{A} (C \otimes f)_{u/p/A}(x) e^{-g_{u/p/A}(x, b_T)} \\ + \frac{A-Z}{A} (C \otimes f)_{d/p/A}(x) e^{-g_{d/p/A}(x, b_T)}$$

and

$$(C \otimes f)_{d/A}(x) e^{-g_{d/A}(x, b_T)} \rightarrow \frac{Z}{A} (C \otimes f)_{d/p/A}(x) e^{-g_{d/p/A}(x, b_T)} \\ + \frac{A-Z}{A} (C \otimes f)_{u/p/A}(x) e^{-g_{u/p/A}(x, b_T)}.$$

# Nuclear TMD parametrization

- Specifically, we include a parametrization similar to Alrashed, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett **129**, 242001 (2022).

$$g_{q/\mathcal{N}/A} = g_{q/\mathcal{N}} \left( 1 - a_{\mathcal{N}} \left( A^{1/3} - 1 \right) \right)$$

- Where  $a_{\mathcal{N}}$  is an additional parameter to be fit

# Bayesian Inference

- Minimize the  $\chi^2$  for each replica

$$\chi^2(\mathbf{a}, \text{data}) = \sum_e \left( \sum_i \left[ \frac{d_i^e - \sum_k r_k^e \beta_{k,i}^e - t_i^e(\mathbf{a}) / n_e}{\alpha_i^e} \right]^2 + \left( \frac{1 - n_e}{\delta n_e} \right)^2 + \sum_k (r_k^e)^2 \right)$$

Normalization parameter

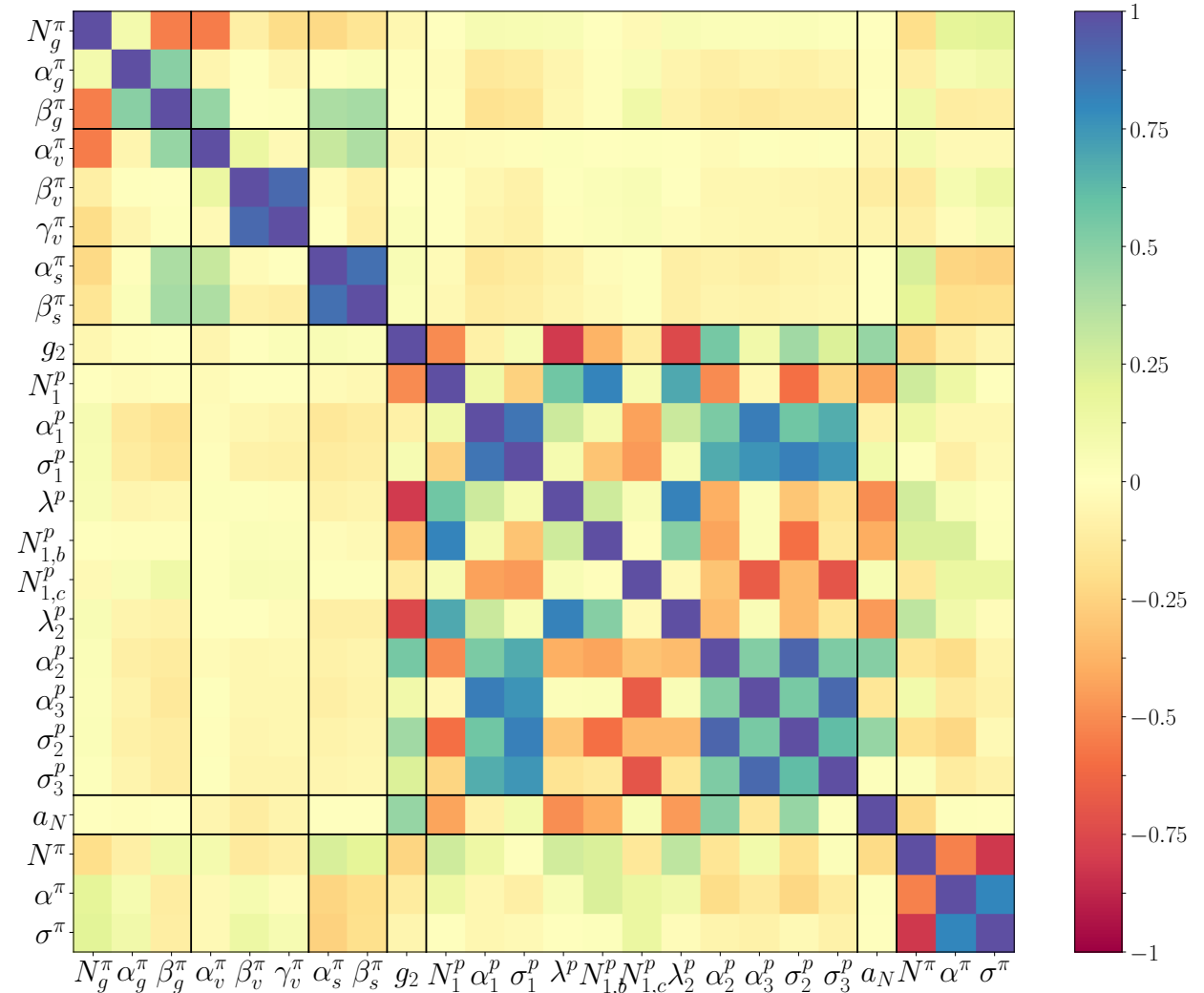
- Perform  $N$  total  $\chi^2$  minimizations and compute statistical quantities

Expectation value  $E[\mathcal{O}] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_k \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{a}_k),$

Variance  $V[\mathcal{O}] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_k [\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{a}_k) - E[\mathcal{O}]]^2,$

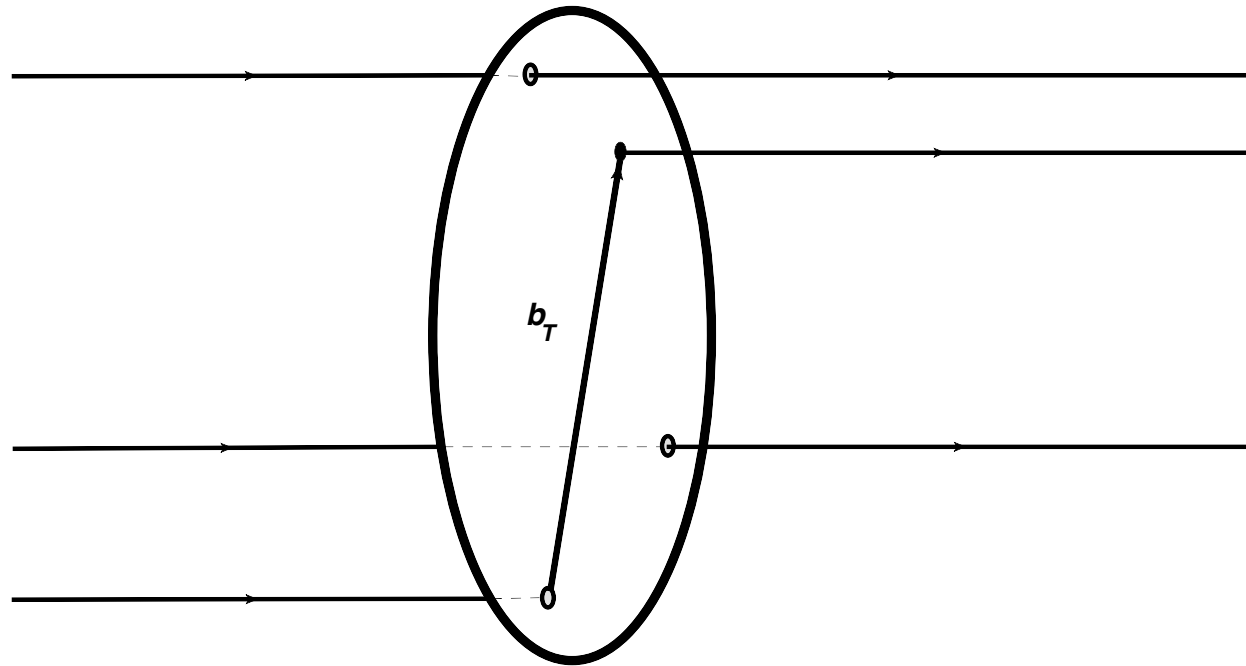
# Correlations

- Level at which the distributions are correlated with each other
- Different distributions are largely correlated only within themselves



# Possible explanation

- At large  $x$ , we are in a valence region, where only the valence quarks are populating the momentum dependence of the hadron





# Possible explanation

- At small  $x$ , sea quarks and potential  $q\bar{q}$  bound states allowing only for a smaller bound system

