

Nucleon Structure from lattice QCD



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Frank Gehry's breakthrough on the "structure of buildings"



Introduction

QCD-Gauge theory of the strong interaction

Lagrangian: formulated in terms of **quarks** and **gluons**

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} + \sum_{f=u,d,s,c,b,t} \bar{\psi}_f (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m_f) \psi_f$$
$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig \frac{\lambda^a}{2} A_\mu^a$$

This “simple” Lagrangian produces the amazingly rich structure of strongly interacting matter in our universe.

Numerical simulation of QCD provides essential input for a wide class of complex strong interaction phenomena e.g. Hadron structure studied in experimental programs at JLab, Mainz, DESY

Focus of talk:

- Nucleon axial charge g_A and EM form factors
- Moments of parton distributions of quarks in the nucleon
- Nucleon TMDs (Hagler, Musch, Engelhardt, Negele, Schafer), scalar and tensor charge (Negele and collaborators)
- Nucleon σ -terms
- Hyperons and charmed baryons

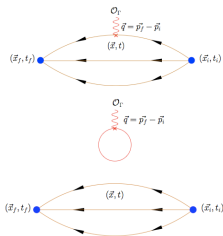
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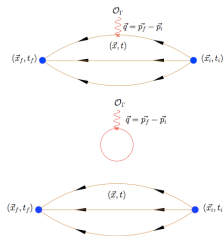
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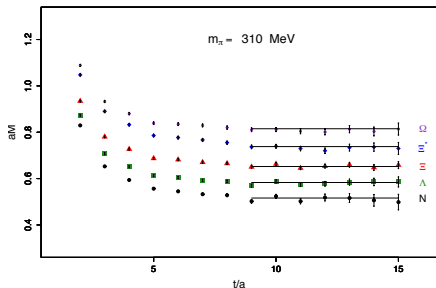
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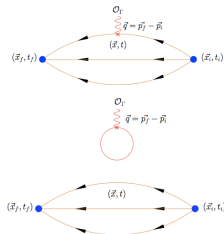
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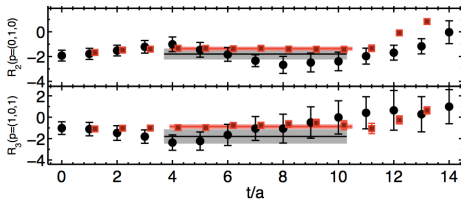
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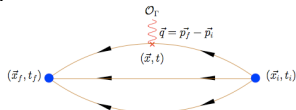
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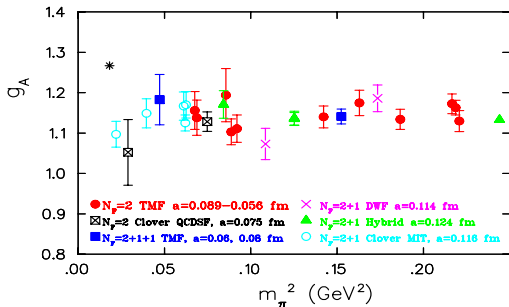
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Nucleon Structure: axial charge

- Many lattice studies down to lowest pion mass of $m_\pi \sim 300$ MeV
 \Rightarrow Lattice data in general agreement
- Axial-vector FFs:** $A_\mu^a = \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \frac{\tau^a}{2} \psi(x)$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left[\gamma_\mu \gamma_5 G_A(q^2) + \frac{q^\mu \gamma_5}{2m} G_P(q^2) \right]$



Axial charge is well known experimentally, straight forward to compute in lattice QCD



- Agreement among recent lattice results - all use $\mathcal{O}(a)$ -improvement, non-perturbative Z_A
- Results using various lattice spacings and volumes - no visible cut-off nor volume effects, within current statistical errors
- Weak light quark mass dependence

- $N_f = 2 + 1$ Clover: J. R. Green *et al.*, Lattice2012
- $N_f = 2$ and $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ TMF: C. A. *et al.* (ETMC), PRD 83 (2011) 045010, and in preparation
- DWF: T. Yamazaki *et al.*, (RBC-UKQCD), PRD 79 (2009) 14505; S. Ohta, arXiv:1011.1388
- Hybrid: J. D. Bratt *et al.* (LHPC), PRD 82 (2010) 094502
- $N_f = 2$ Clover: D. Pleiter *et al.* (QCDSF), arXiv:1101.2326

Results on the Nucleon $\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$ and $\langle x \rangle_{\Delta u-\Delta d}$

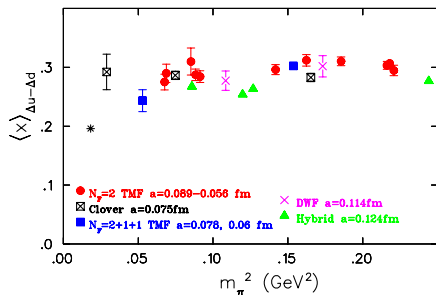
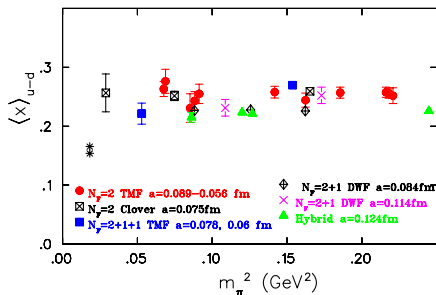
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Extracted from nucleon matrix elements of $\mathcal{O}_q^{\mu_1\mu_2} = \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\{\mu_1} i \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\mu_2\} \psi}$ and $\mathcal{O}_{\Delta q}^{\mu_1\mu_2} = \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\{\mu_1} \gamma_5 i \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\mu_2\} \psi}$

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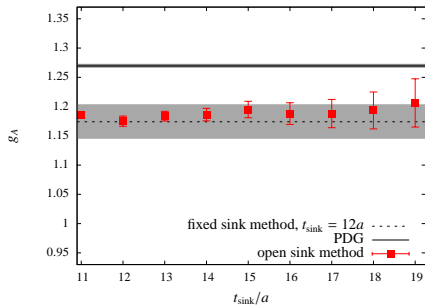
Physical point:

- $\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$ from S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein, S. Moch, arXiv:1202.2281; R. D. Ball arXiv:1107.2652
- $\langle x \rangle_{\Delta u-\Delta d}$ from J. Blümlein *et al.* arXiv:1005.3113

Study of excited state contributions

$N_F = 2 + 1 + 1$ with $m_\pi \sim 390$ MeV and $a = 0.08$ fm

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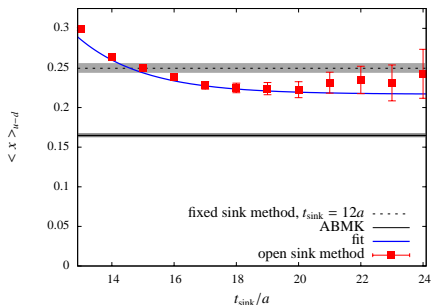


Statistics: $\sim 7,000$

g_A unaffected, $\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$ 10% lower

\Rightarrow Excited contributions are operator dependent

S. Dinter, C.A., M. Constantinou, V. Drach, K. Jansen and D. Renner, arXiv: 1108.1076



Physical value from a global analysis, S. Alekhin, J. Blumlein, S. Klein, and S. Moch. Phys.Rev., D81, 014032 (2010)

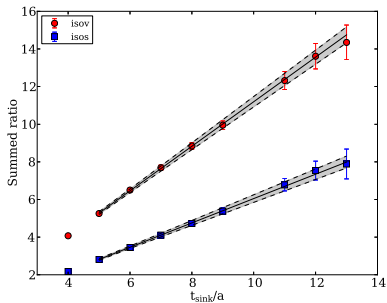
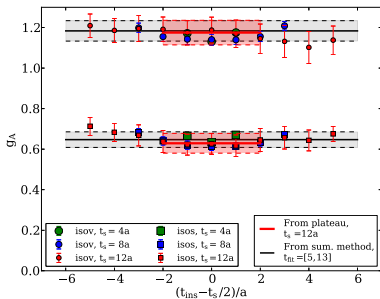
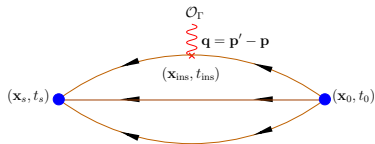
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g_A with the summation method

Sum over time of the current insertion:

$$\sum_{t_{\text{ins}}} \rightarrow a + g_A t_{\text{sink}}$$

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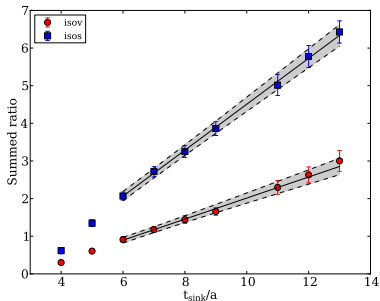
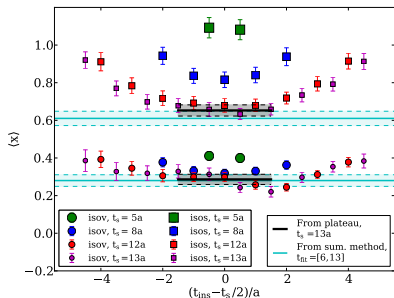


No detectable excited states contamination, agrees with high precision study [S. Dinter et al., arXiv:1108.1076](#) and [C. Alexandrou et al., arXiv:1112.2931](#)

- Same plateau for multiple t_{sink}
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$\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$ with the summation method

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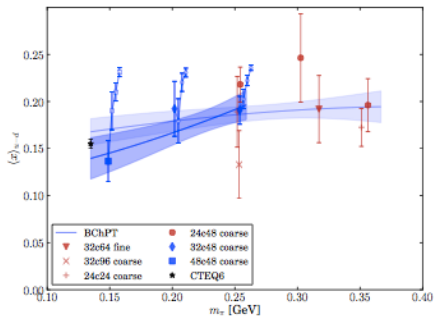
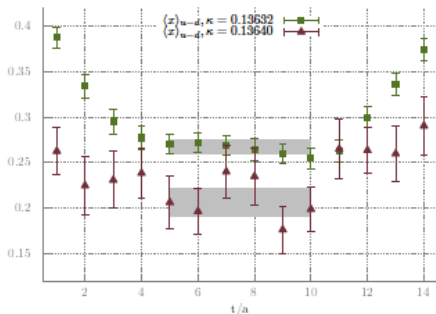
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⇒ Plateau and summation method give consistent results.

Results at almost physical pion mass

Very recent results claim correct value of $\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$:

- $N_F = 2$ Clover at $m_\pi = 157(6)$ MeV, $a = 0.07$ fm and $m_\pi L = 2.74$ using time separation ~ 1.07 fm, G. Bali *et al.* arXiv:1207.1110
- $N_F = 2 + 1$ BMW configurations at $m_\pi = 149$ MeV, $a = 0.116$ fm and $m_\pi L = 4.2$ using 3 time separations up to 1.4 fm in combination with summation method, J. R. Green *et al.* arXiv:1209.1687



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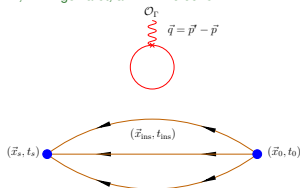
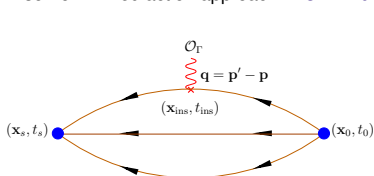
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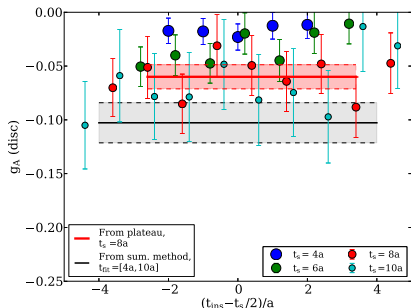
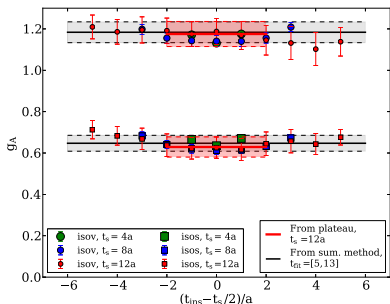
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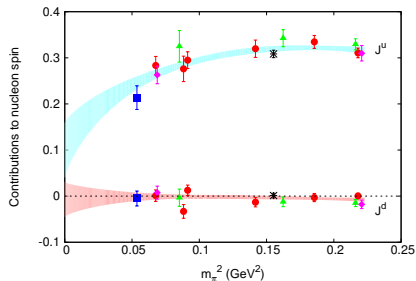
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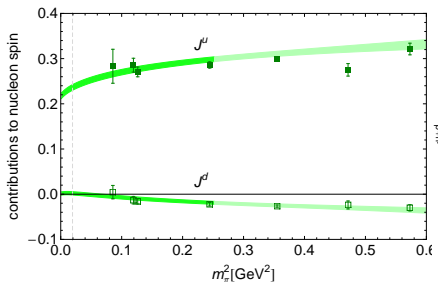
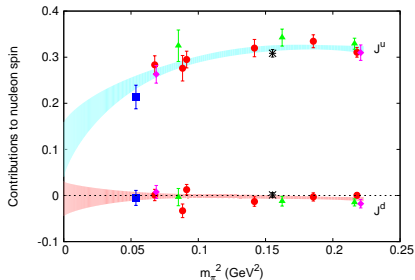
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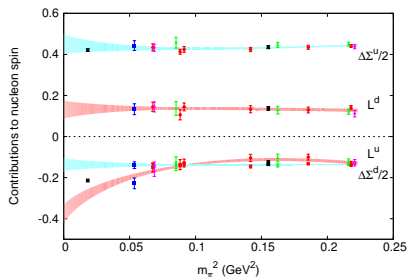
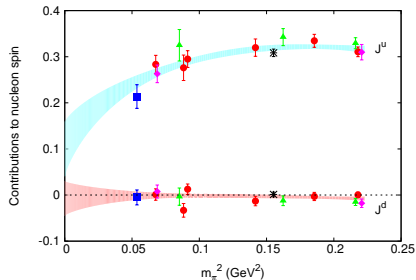
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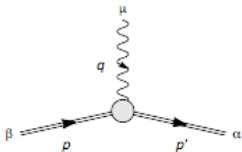
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- Lattice results for $\Delta\Sigma^{u-d}$ and L^{u-d} in good agreement
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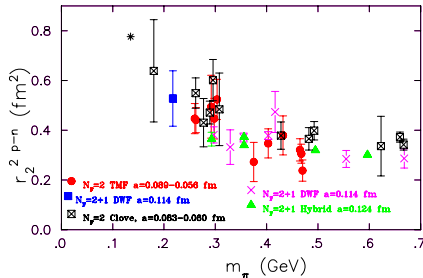
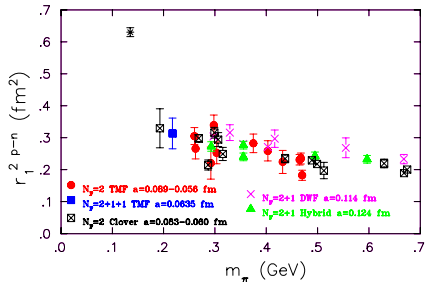
Nucleon Dirac and Pauli isovector radii



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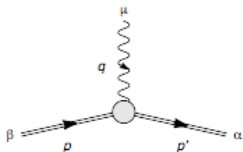
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Use a dipole Ansatz to fit the q^2 -dependence of F_1 and F_2 .

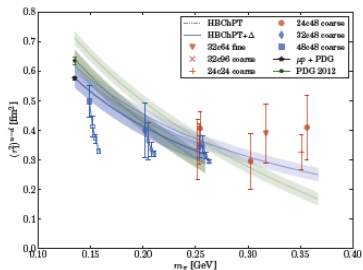
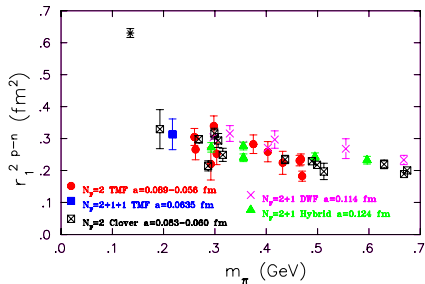


- TMF: C. A. *et al.* (ETMC), PRD83 (2011) 094502
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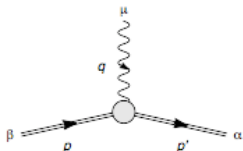


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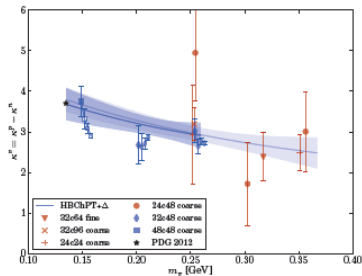
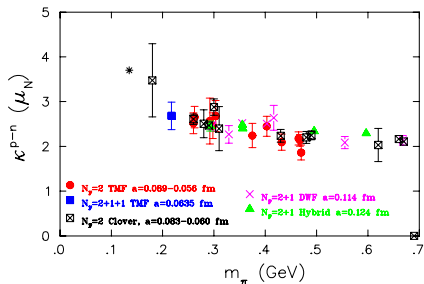
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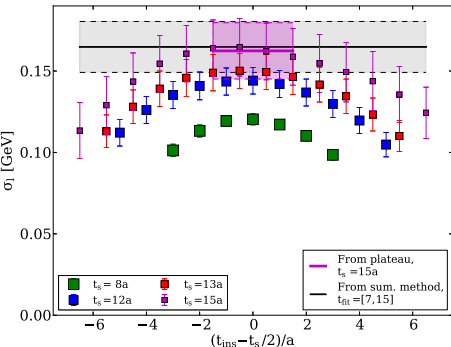
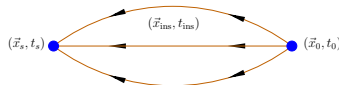
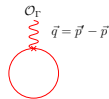
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Extracted from analysis of low-energy pion-proton scattering data
- In lattice QCD it can be obtained via the Feynman-Hellman theorem: $\sigma_l = m_l \frac{\partial m_N}{\partial m_l}$
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- The strange quark content of the nucleon: $y_N = \frac{2 \langle N | \bar{s}s | N \rangle}{\langle N | \bar{u}u + \bar{d}d | N \rangle}$
- A number of groups have use the spectral method to extract the σ -terms.
- Can also be calculated directly.

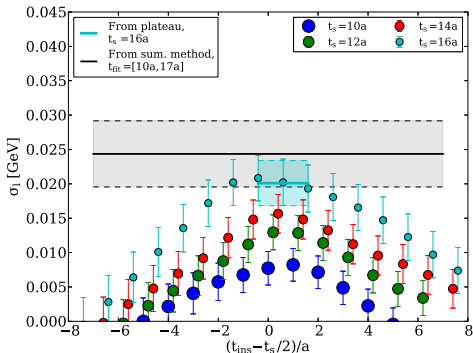
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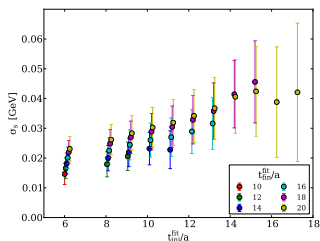
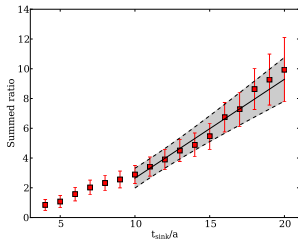
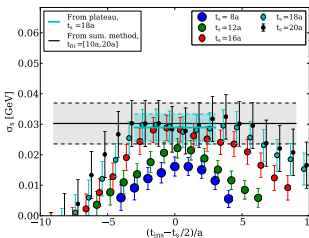
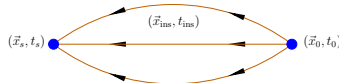
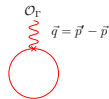


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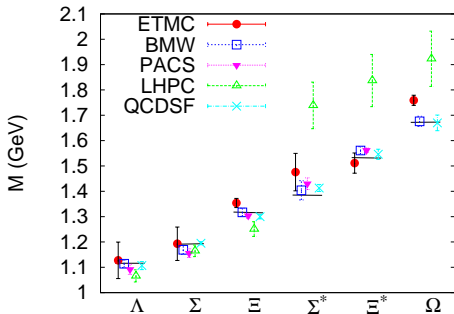
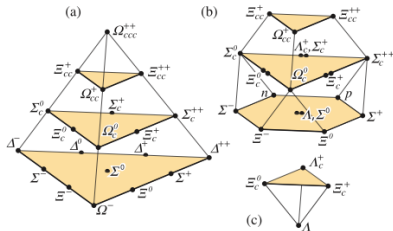
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Hyperons and Charmed baryons

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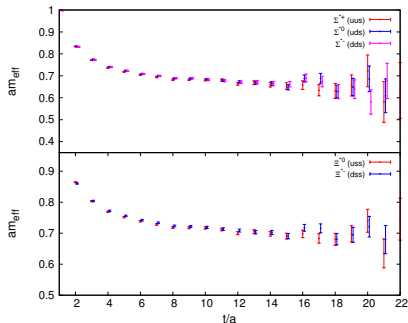
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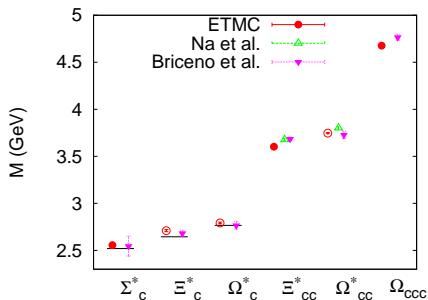
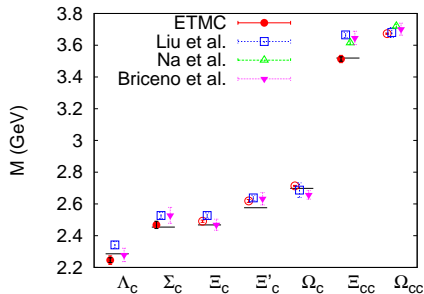


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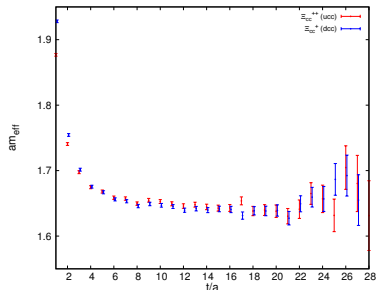
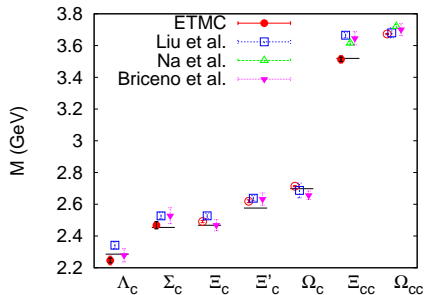


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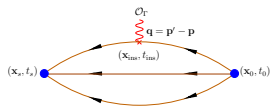
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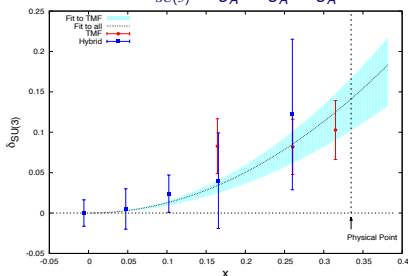
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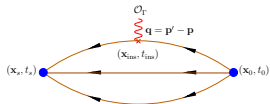


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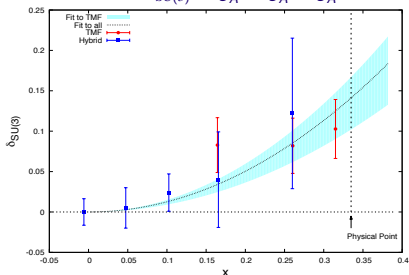
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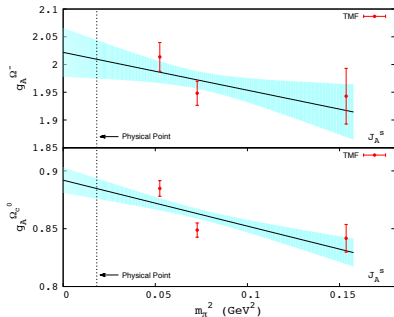
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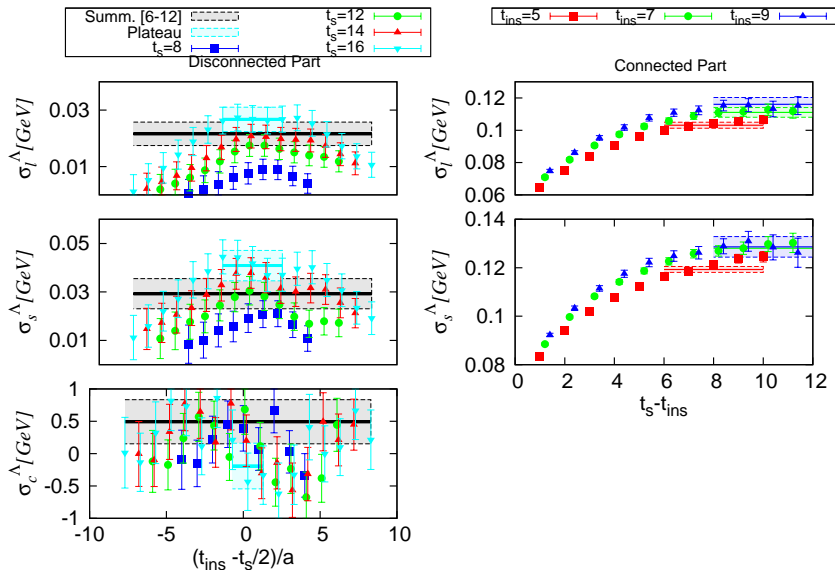
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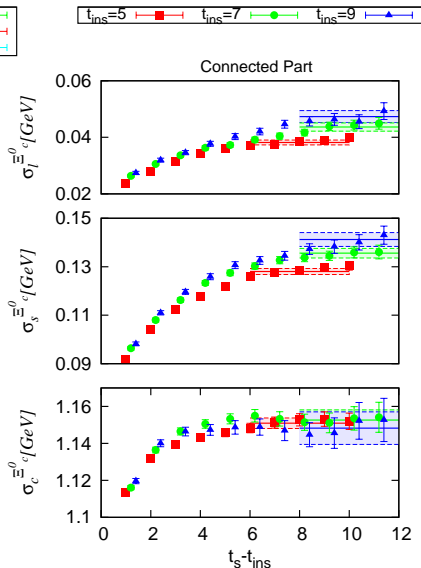
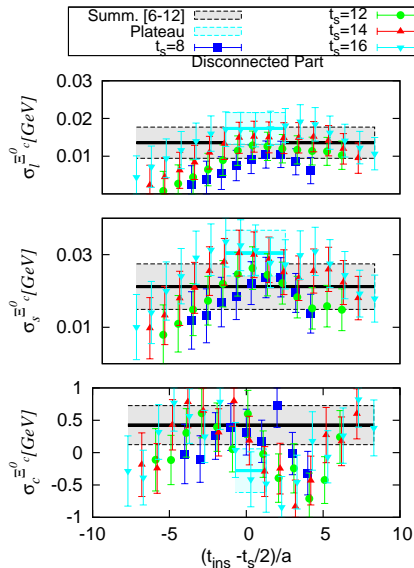
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Conclusions

- Nucleon structure is a benchmark for the LQCD approach
Some puzzles remain like g_A . Others need to be confirmed by other groups like $\langle X \rangle_{u-d}$
⇒ simulations of the full theory at near physical parameters will eliminate ambiguities due to chiral extrapolations
- Evaluation of quark loop diagrams has become feasible
- Predictions for other hadron observables are beginning to emerge e.g. axial charge of hyperons and charmed baryons
- Studying baryon resonances → provides insight into the structure of hadrons giving information that is difficult to extract experimentally.

As simulations at the physical pion mass and more computer time become available we expect many physical results on these key hadron observables

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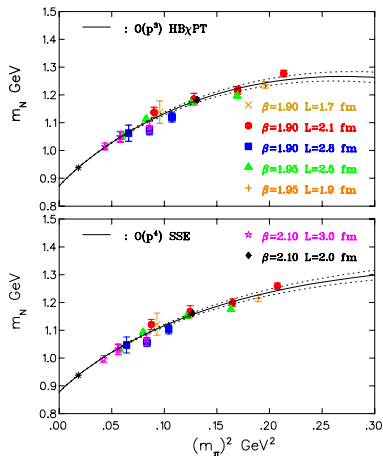
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Lattice spacing determination

- Use nucleon mass at physical limit
- Extrapolate using LO expansion: $m_N = m_N^0 - 4c_1 m_\pi^2 - \frac{3g_A^2}{16\pi f_\pi^2} m_\pi^3$
- Systematic error from $\mathcal{O}(p^4)$ SSE HB χ PT
- Simultaneous fits to $\beta = 1.9$, $\beta = 1.95$ and $\beta = 2.1$ results



$$\beta = 1.90 : a = 0.095(1)(1)$$

$$\beta = 1.95 : a = 0.086(1)(2)$$

$$\beta = 2.10 : a = 0.066(1)(1)$$