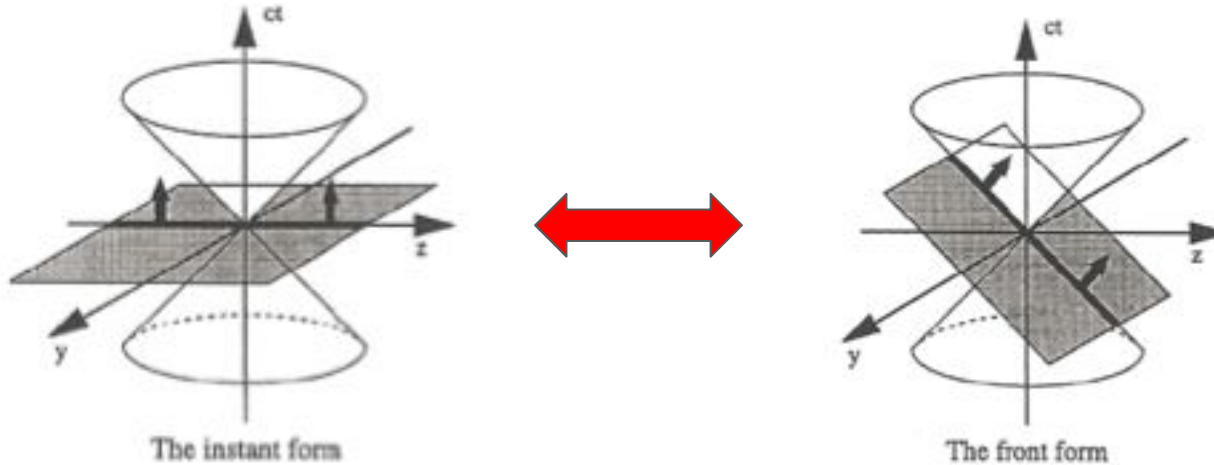


# Interpolating instant form dynamics and light-front dynamics

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# Motivation

- Vigorous hadron structure studies in the forthcoming EIC programs motivate the review on the correspondence between the instant form dynamics (IFD) and the light-front dynamics (LFD), e.g. quasi-PDFs in IFD vs. PDFs in LFD.
- Possibilities of utilizing not only the reference frame dependence but also the interpolation between IFD and LFD emerge in recent hadron structure studies, e.g. QCD(1+1) in large  $N_c$  ('tHooft model).  
B.Ma&C.Ji, arXiv:2105.09388v1[hep-ph],PRD in press.

# Outline

- Dirac's Proposition for Relativistic Dynamics
- Infinite Momentum Frame (IMF) approach vs. LFD
- Link between IFD and LFD
- QED interpolation
- QCD(1+1) in large  $N_c$  ('tHooft Model) interpolation
- Quasi-PDFs in IFD vs. PDFs in LFD
- Summary and Outlook

# Dirac's Proposition for Relativistic Dynamics



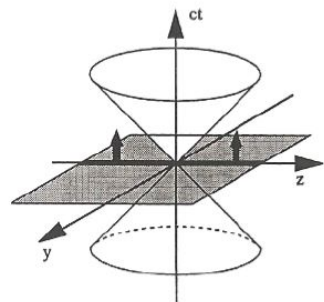
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Equal  $t$

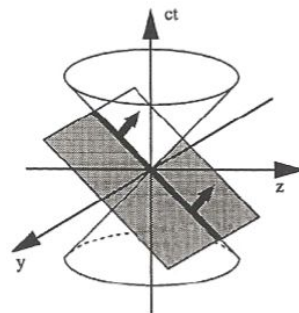
Equal  $\tau$

$$\begin{aligned} p^0 &\leftrightarrow p^- = p^0 - p^3 \\ (p^1, p^2) &\leftrightarrow \vec{p}_\perp \\ p^3 &\leftrightarrow p^+ = p^0 + p^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$k_1^+ = k_2^+ = 0$$



The instant form

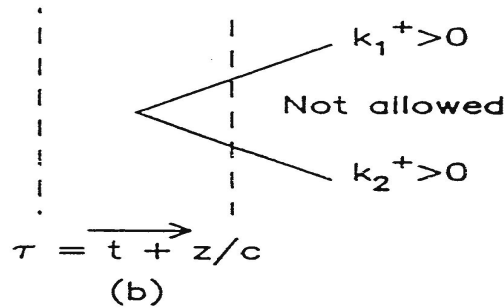
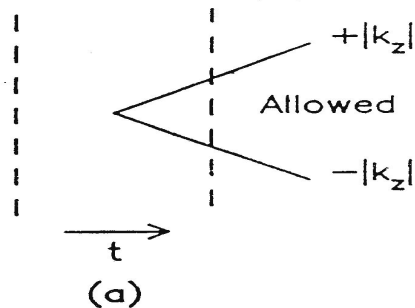


The front form

## Energy-Momentum Dispersion Relations

$$p^0 = \sqrt{\vec{p}^2 + m^2}$$

$$p^- = \frac{\vec{p}_\perp^2 + m^2}{p^+}$$



Except zero-modes

$$k_1^+ = k_2^+ = 0$$

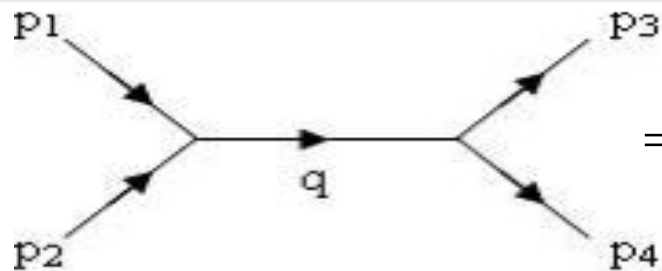
# IFD

Instant Form Dynamics

# LFD

Light-Front Dynamics

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$



$$= \frac{1}{q^2 - m^2} = \frac{1}{s - m^2}$$

$$q^2 = (p_1 + p_2)^2 \neq m^2$$

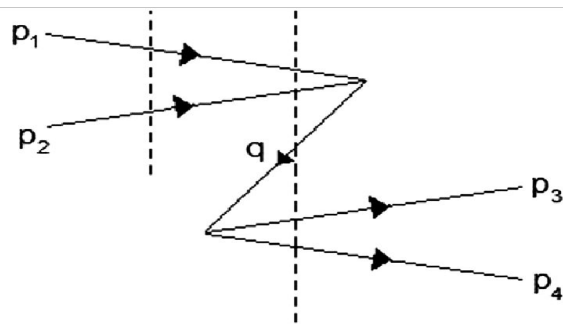
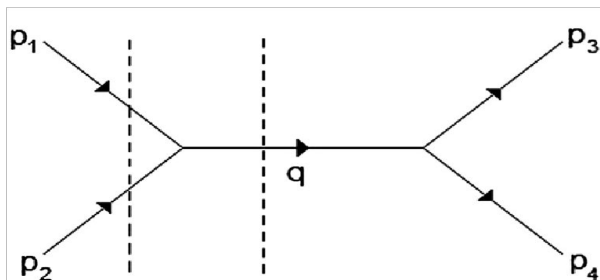
**Four-momentum conservation but off-mass-shell**

**Feynman Diagram:** Invariant under all 10 Poincaré generators

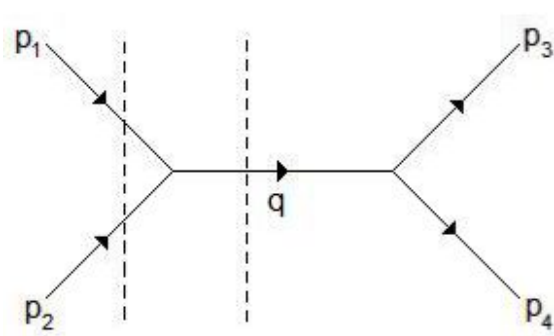
$t \rightarrow$  (time evolution; time ordered process in QFT; Energy is not conserved within  $\Delta t$ )

$$(\Delta E)(\Delta t) \sim \hbar$$

**Three-momentum conservation but on-mass-shell**

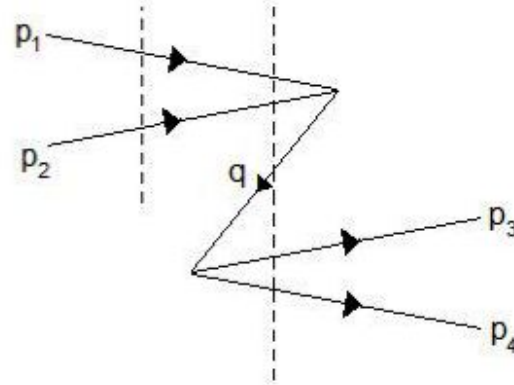


**Individual Time-Ordered Diagrams:** Invariant only under translation and rotation (6 kinematic generators)



(a)

$$\Sigma_{\text{IFD}}^a = \frac{1}{2q^0} \left( \frac{1}{p_1^0 + p_2^0 - q^0} \right)$$



(b)

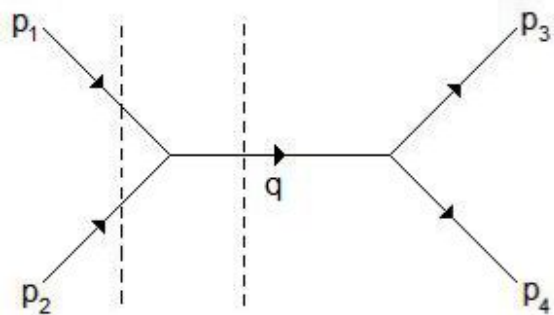
$$\Sigma_{\text{IFD}}^b = -\frac{1}{2q^0} \left( \frac{1}{p_1^0 + p_2^0 + q^0} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{\text{IFD}}^a + \Sigma_{\text{IFD}}^b &= \frac{1}{2q^0} \left( \frac{1}{p_1^0 + p_2^0 - q^0} - \frac{1}{p_1^0 + p_2^0 + q^0} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{(p_1^0 + p_2^0)^2 - (q^0)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\{(p_1^0 + p_2^0)^2 - (\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2)^2\} - \{(q^0)^2 - \vec{q}^2\}} \\ &= \frac{1}{(p_1 + p_2)^2 - q^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{s - m^2} \end{aligned}$$

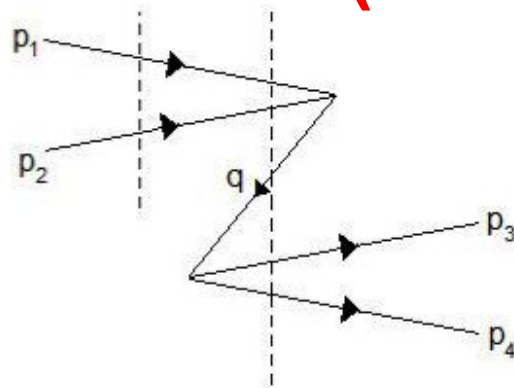
**: Three-momentum  
conservation**

**:  $q^2 = m^2$  ; on -mass-shell**

# Infinite Momentum Frame (IMF) Approach



(a)



(b)

$$\frac{1}{E_1 + E_2 - Eq}$$

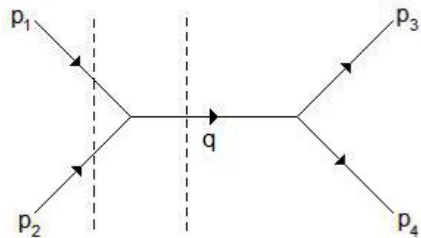
S.Weinberg, PR158,1638(1967)  
“Dynamics at Infinite Momentum”

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{1}{Eq + E_3 + E_4} \\ &= -\frac{1}{Eq + E_1 + E_2} \\ &\rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

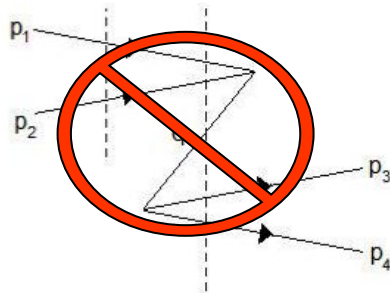
**Note that this is still in the instant form (IFD).**

**However, in LFD, (b) drops for any reference frame  
(not just for IMF)**

$\tau (= t+z/c) \rightarrow$



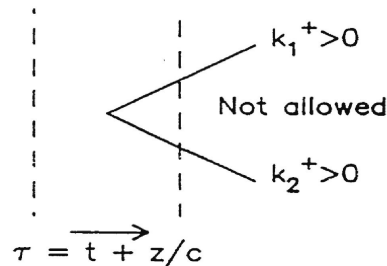
(a)



(b)

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_{LFD}^a + \Sigma_{LFD}^b &= \frac{1}{q^+} \left( \frac{1}{p_1^- + p_2^- - q^-} + 0 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{q^+ \left( \frac{(p_1 + p_2)^2 + (\vec{p}_{1\perp} + \vec{p}_{2\perp})^2}{(p_1 + p_2)^+} - \frac{m^2 + \vec{q}_\perp^2}{q^+} \right)} \\ &= \frac{1}{(p_1 + p_2)^2 - m^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{s - m^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$p^- = \frac{\vec{p}_\perp^2 + m^2}{p^+}$$





# Can IFD and LFD be linked?

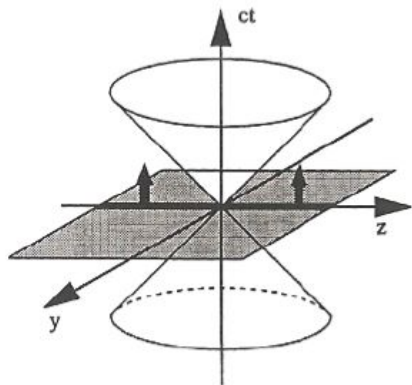


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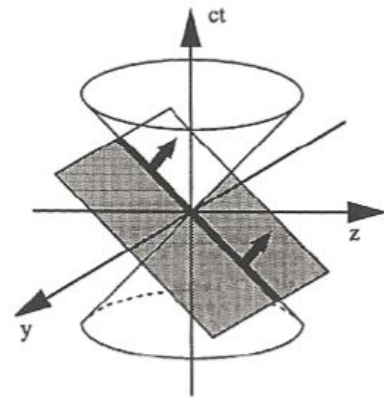


## Yes, they can!

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The instant form



The front form

Traditional approach  
evolved from NR dynamics

Close contact with

Euclidean space

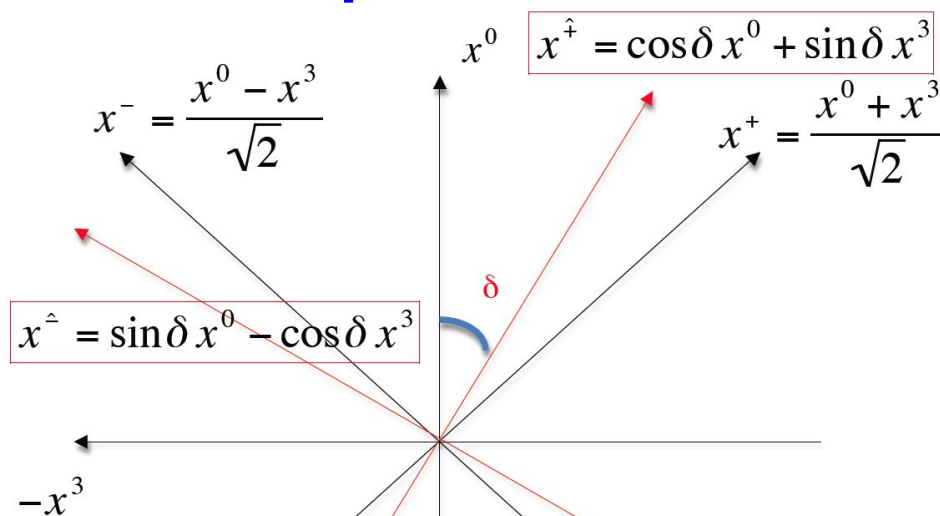
T-dept QFT, LQCD, IMF, etc.

Innovative approach  
for relativistic dynamics

Strictly in Minkowski space

DIS, PDFs, DVCS, GPDs, etc.

# Interpolation between IFD and LFD



$$(IFD) \quad 0 \leq \delta \leq \frac{\pi}{4} \quad (LFD)$$

$$1 \geq C \equiv \cos(2\delta) \geq 0$$

**K. Hornbostel, PRD45, 3781 (1992) – RQFT**

**C.Ji and S.Rey, PRD53,5815(1996) – Chiral Anomaly**

**C.Ji and C. Mitchell, PRD64,085013 (2001) – Poincare Algebra**

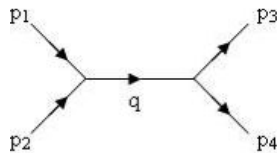
**C.Ji and A. Suzuki, PRD87,065015 (2013) – Scattering Amps**

**C.Ji, Z. Li and A. Suzuki, PRD91, 065020 (2015) – EM Gauges**

**Z.Li, M. An and C.Ji, PRD92, 105014 (2015) – Spinors**

**C.Ji, Z.Li, B.Ma and A.Suzuki, PRD98, 036017(2018) – QED**

**B.Ma and C.Ji, arXiv:2105.09388v1[hep-ph], PRD in press – QCD<sub>1+1</sub>**



$$\delta = 0$$

$$p_0 = p^0$$

$$-p_3 = p^3$$



$$0 < \delta < \pi/4$$

$$p_{\hat{+}} = p^0 \cos \delta - p^3 \sin \delta$$

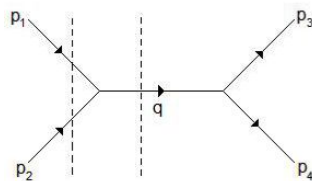
$$p_{\hat{-}} = p^0 \sin \delta + p^3 \cos \delta$$



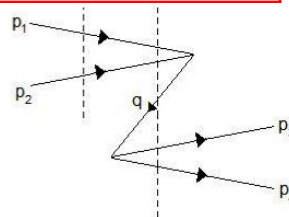
$$\delta = \pi/4$$

$$p_+ = p^-$$

$$p_- = p^+$$



(a)



(b)

$$\frac{1}{2q^0} \left( \frac{1}{p_1^0 + p_2^0 - q^0} - \frac{1}{p_1^0 + p_2^0 + q^0} \right)$$



$$\frac{1}{2\omega_q} \left( \frac{1}{P_{\hat{+}} + \frac{\mathbb{S}q_- - \omega_q}{\mathbb{C}}} - \frac{1}{P_{\hat{+}} + \frac{\mathbb{S}q_- + \omega_q}{\mathbb{C}}} \right)$$



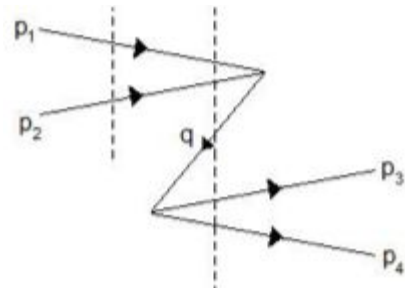
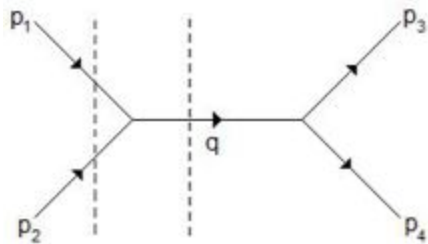
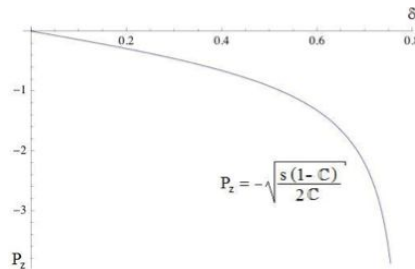
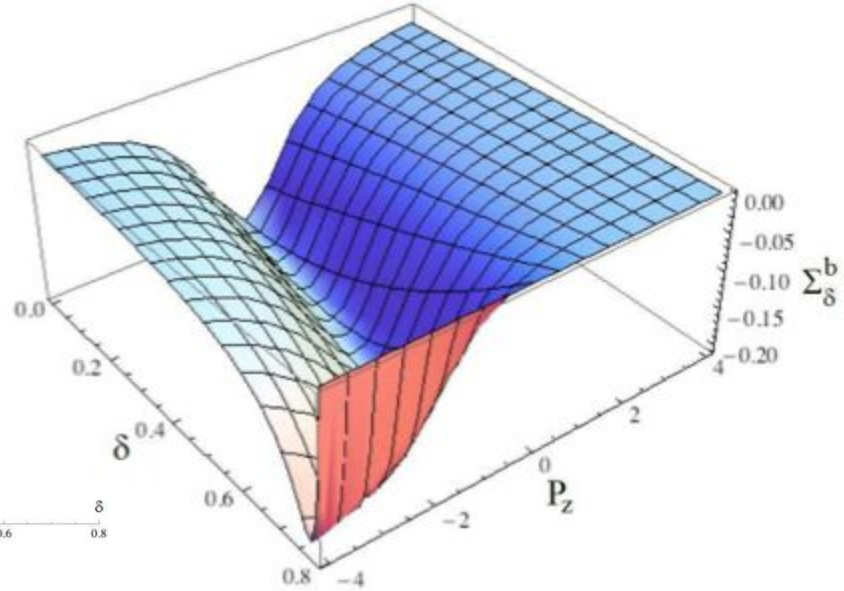
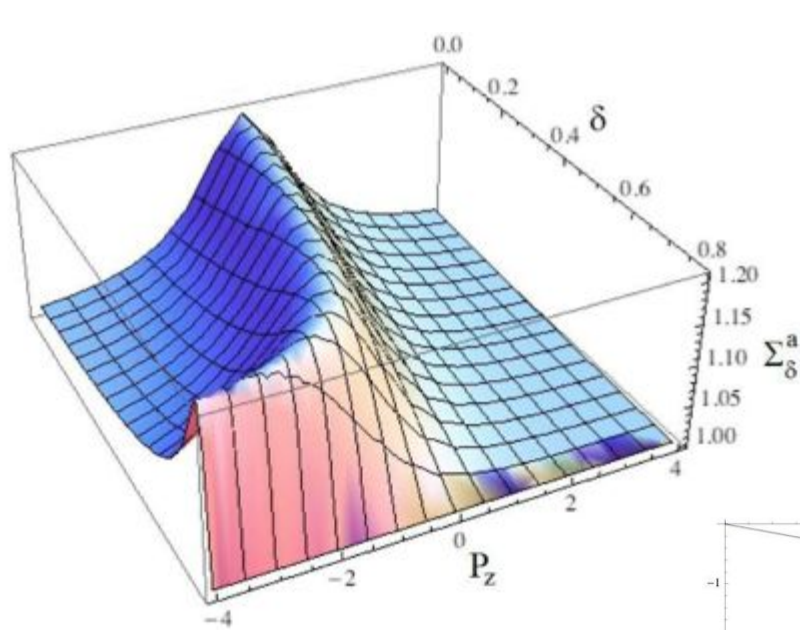
$$\frac{1}{P^+} \left\{ P^- - \frac{(\vec{P}_\perp^2 + m^2)}{2P^+} \right\}$$

$$\omega_q = \sqrt{q_-^2 + \mathbb{C}(\vec{q}_\perp^2 + m^2)}$$

$$\mathbb{C} = \cos 2\delta$$

$$\mathbb{S} = \sin 2\delta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathbb{S}q_- + \omega_q}{\mathbb{C}} &\rightarrow \frac{2}{\mathbb{C}} - \frac{\vec{q}_\perp^2 + m^2}{2q_-} + \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}) \\ &\rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } \mathbb{C} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$



$$\Sigma(a) + \Sigma(b) = 1/(s - m^2) ; s = 2 \text{ GeV}^2, m = 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{J-shape peak \& valley : } P_z = -\sqrt{\frac{s(1-C)}{2C}} ; C = \cos(2\delta)$$

As  $C \rightarrow 0$ ,  $P^+ = P^0 + P_z \rightarrow 0$  leads to LF Zero-modes.

$$A^{\hat{+}} = 0, \quad \partial_{\hat{-}} A_{\hat{-}} + \partial_{\perp} \mathbf{A}_{\perp} \mathbb{C} = 0 \quad (\mathbb{C} = \cos 2\delta)$$

$$\delta \rightarrow 0$$

$$(\mathbb{C} \rightarrow 1)$$

$$\delta \rightarrow \pi/4$$

$$(\mathbb{C} \rightarrow 0)$$

$$A^0 = 0, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$$

Coulomb Gauge

$$A^+ = 0$$

Light-front Gauge

C.Ji, Z. Li, and A. T. Suzuki, PRD91, 065020(2015)

$$\sum_{\lambda=\pm} \epsilon_{\hat{\mu}}^*(\lambda) \epsilon_{\hat{\nu}}(\lambda) = -g_{\hat{\mu}\hat{\nu}} + \frac{(q \cdot n)(q_{\hat{\mu}} n_{\hat{\nu}} + q_{\hat{\nu}} n_{\hat{\mu}})}{q_1^2 \mathbb{C} + q_-^2} - \frac{\mathbb{C} q_{\hat{\mu}} q_{\hat{\nu}}}{q_1^2 \mathbb{C} + q_-^2} - \frac{q^2 n_{\hat{\mu}} n_{\hat{\nu}}}{q_1^2 \mathbb{C} + q_-^2}$$

IFD

LFD

$$-g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{(q \cdot n)(q_{\mu} n_{\nu} + q_{\nu} n_{\mu})}{(q \cdot n)^2} - \frac{q^2 n_{\mu} n_{\nu}}{(q \cdot n)^2}$$

P.Srivastava and S. Brodsky, PRD64,045006(2001)

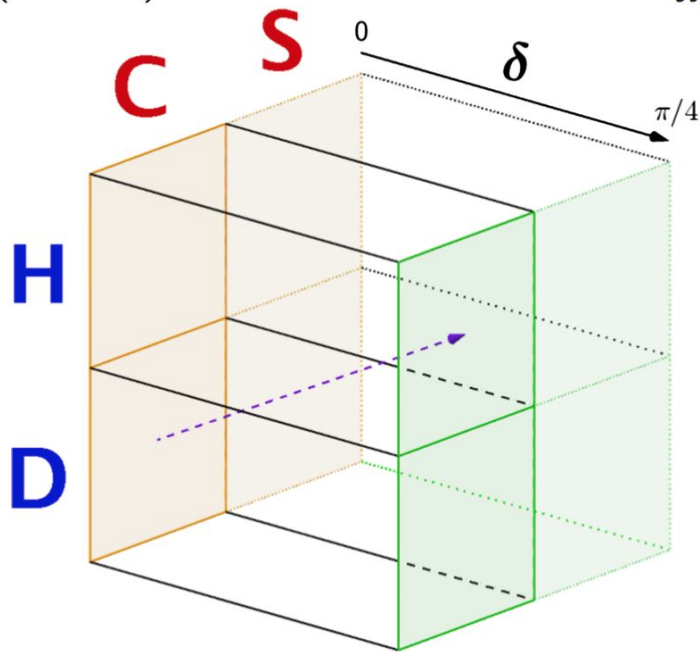
$$-\eta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{(q \cdot n)(q_{\mu} n_{\nu} + q_{\nu} n_{\mu})}{(q \cdot n)^2 - q^2} - \frac{q_{\mu} q_{\nu}}{(q \cdot n)^2 - q^2} - \frac{q^2 n_{\mu} n_{\nu}}{(q \cdot n)^2 - q^2}$$

$$S = S^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} I & I \\ I & -I \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u_S(p) = S u_C(p),$$

$$u_C(p) = S^\dagger u_S(p),$$

**Z.Li,M.An&C.Ji,  
PRD92,105014  
(2015)**



$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{J} + i\mathbf{K}),$$

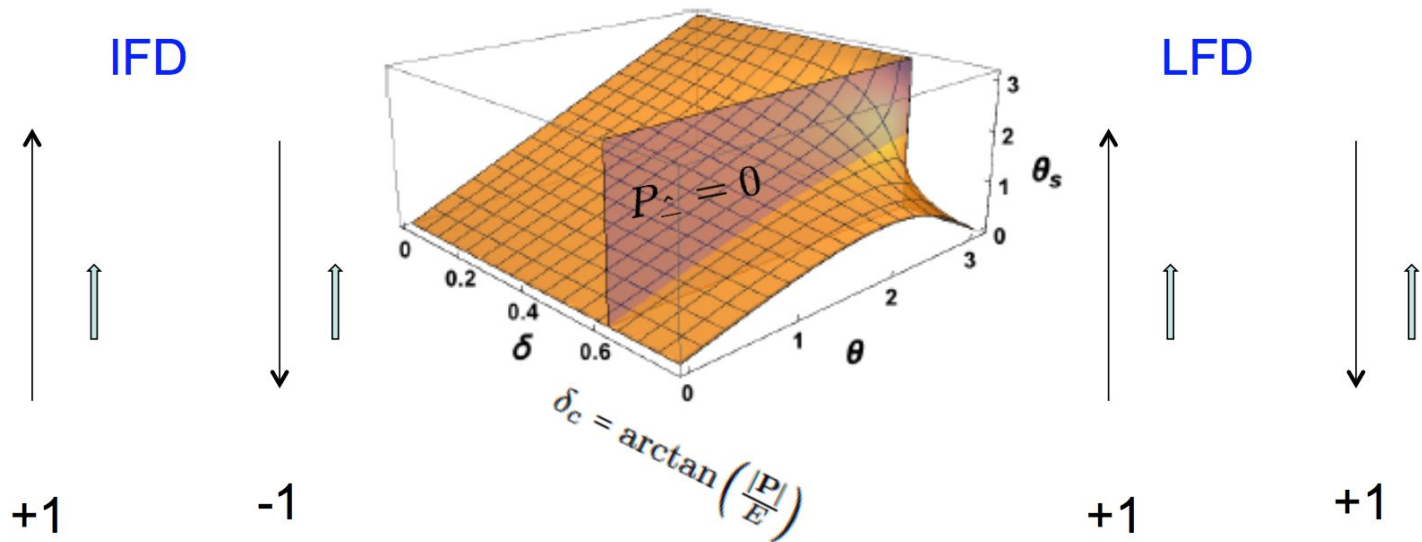
$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{J} - i\mathbf{K}),$$

$$[A_i, A_j] = i\epsilon_{ijk}A_k,$$

$$[B_i, B_j] = i\epsilon_{ijk}B_k,$$

$$[A_i, B_j] = 0, \quad (i, j, k = 1, 2, 3)$$

# Helicity



M. Jacob and G. Wick,  
Ann. Phys., 7, 404 (1959)

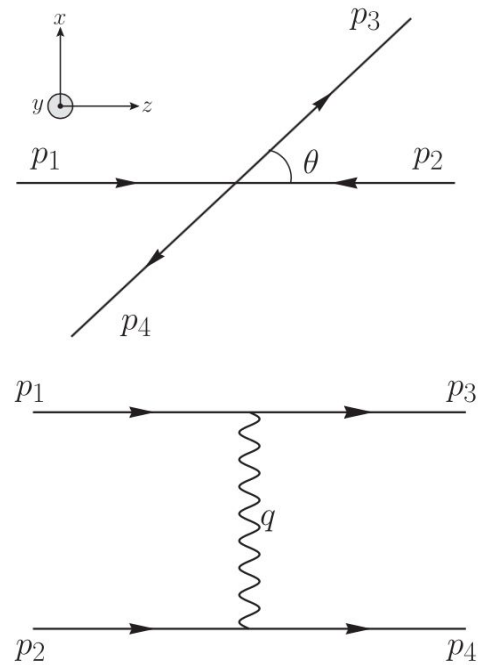
C. Carlson and C.Ji,  
PRD, 67, 116002 (2003)

$K_z$  Dependent

vs.

$K_z$  Independent



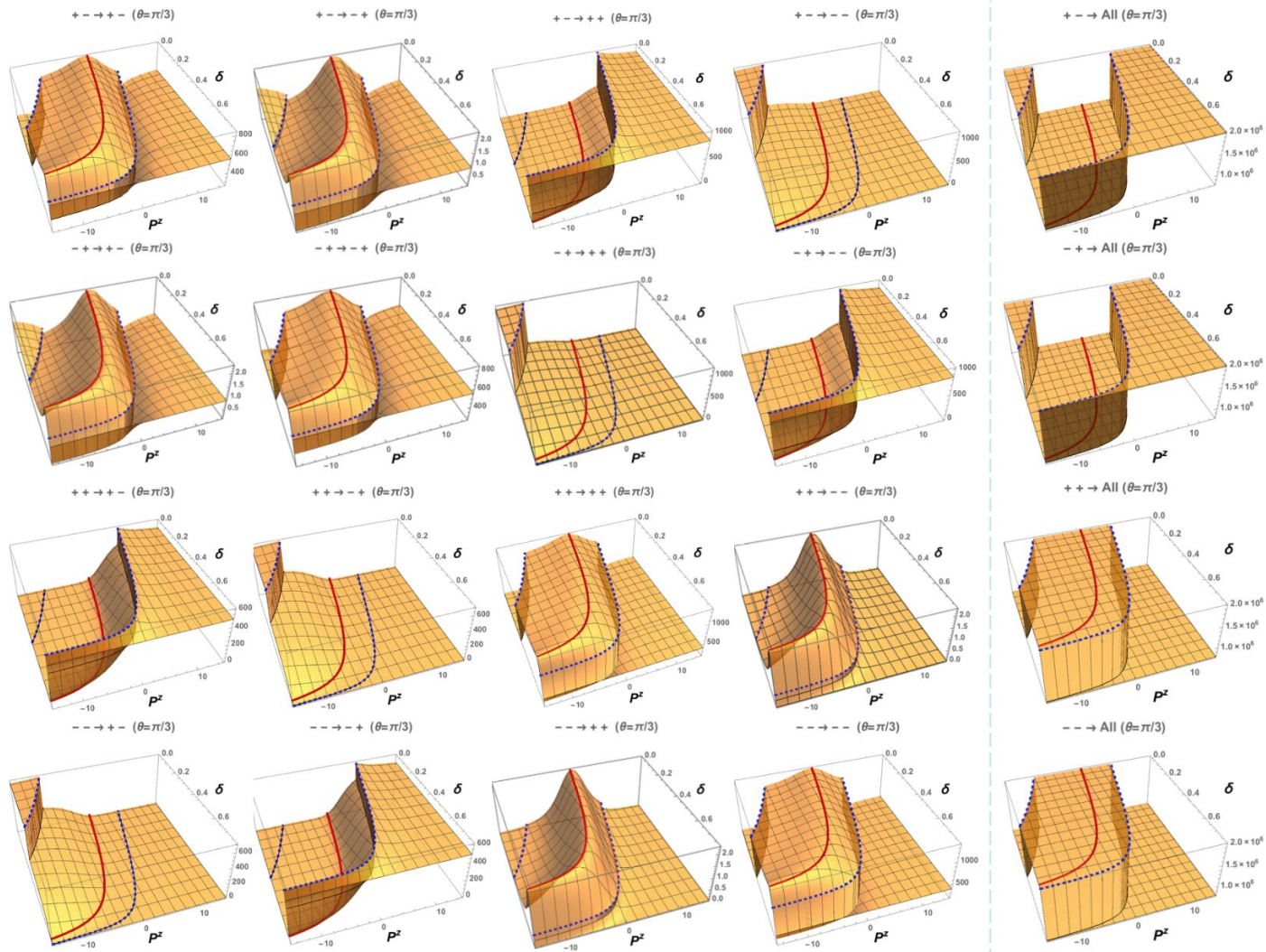


$$m_1 = 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_2 = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$p = 2 \text{ GeV}$$

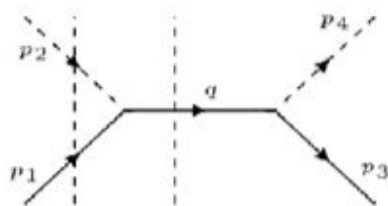
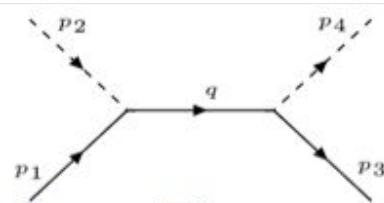
$$\theta = \pi/3$$





C.Ji, Z.Li, B.Ma  
and A.Suzuki,  
PRD98, 036017  
(2018)

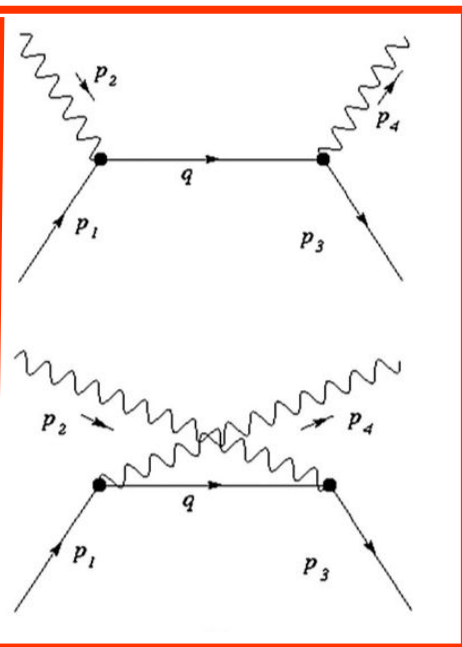
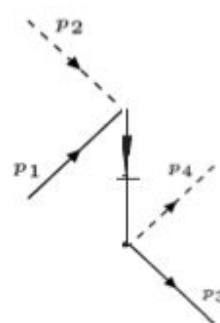
# Fermion Propagator



(a)



(b)



$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_a^{\text{IFD}} + \Sigma_b^{\text{IFD}} &= \frac{1}{2q_{on}^0} \left( \frac{\not{q} + m}{q^0 - q_{on}^0} - \frac{\not{q} + m}{q^0 + q_{on}^0} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2q_{on}^0} \frac{2q_{on}^0(\not{q} + m)}{(q^0)^2 - (q_{on}^0)^2} \\ &= \frac{\not{q} + m}{q^2 - m^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Sigma_{a,\delta \rightarrow \pi/4} = \frac{\not{q}_{on} + m}{q^2 - m^2}$$

$$\Sigma_{b,\delta \rightarrow \pi/4} = \frac{\gamma^+}{2q^+}$$

S.-J.Chang and T.-M.Yan,  
PRD7,1147(1973)

$$\frac{1}{\not{q} - m} = \sum_s \frac{u(q,s)\bar{u}(q,s)}{q^2 - m^2} + \frac{\gamma^+}{2q^+}$$

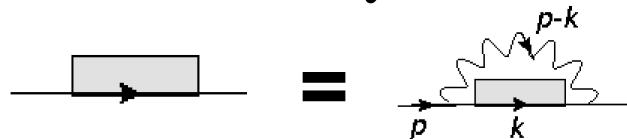
# Large $N_c$ QCD in 1+1 dim. ('tHooft Model)

Interpolating 't Hooft model between instant and front forms

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## MASS GAP EQUATION



$$\text{[Diagrammatic Series]} \equiv \text{[Boxed Diagram]} \equiv i \Sigma(p)$$

$$\Sigma(p_{\hat{-}}) = i \frac{\lambda}{2\pi} \int \frac{dk_{\hat{-}} dk_{\hat{+}}}{(p_{\hat{-}} - k_{\hat{-}})^2} \gamma^{\hat{+}} \frac{1}{\not{k} - m - \Sigma(k_{\hat{-}}) + i\epsilon} \gamma^{\hat{+}}$$

# Fermion Propagator

Free Propagator

$$S_f(p) = \frac{1}{\not{p} - m + i\varepsilon}$$



Interacting Propagator

$$\begin{aligned} S(p) &= \frac{1}{\not{p} - m - \Sigma(p) + i\varepsilon} \\ &= \frac{F(p)}{\not{p} - M(p) + i\varepsilon} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Sigma(p) = \Sigma_s(p) + \Sigma_v(p)\not{p}$$

$$F(p) = (1 - \Sigma_v(p))^{-1} \quad \text{“Wave function renormalization factor”}$$

$$M(p) = \frac{m + \Sigma_s(p)}{1 - \Sigma_v(p)} \quad \text{“Renormalized fermion mass function”}$$

# Energy-Momentum Dispersion Relation

Free particle

$$E = \sqrt{p_z^2 + m^2}$$

$$\theta_f = \tan^{-1}(p_z / m)$$

$$\beta = p_z / E$$

$$= \sin \theta_f$$

$$= \tanh \eta$$

Interacting particle

$$\frac{F(p'_\perp)E(p'_\perp)}{\sqrt{C}} = \sqrt{p'^2_\perp + M(p'_\perp)^2} \equiv \tilde{E}(p'_\perp)$$

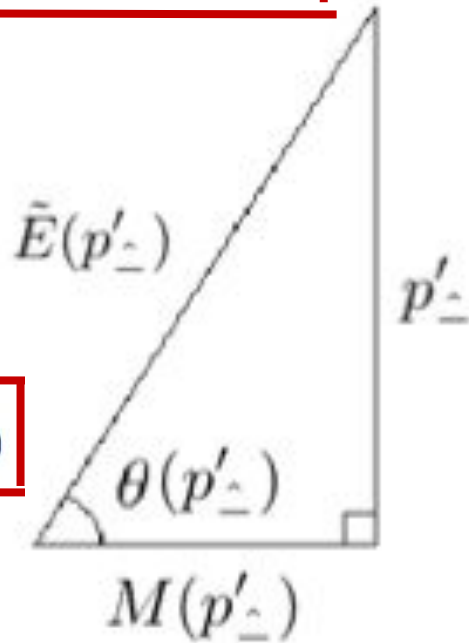
$$\theta(p'_\perp) = \theta_f(p'_\perp) + 2\zeta(p'_\perp)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} b^i(p'_\perp) \\ d^{+i}(p'_\perp) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \zeta(p'_\perp) & -\sin \zeta(p'_\perp) \\ \sin \zeta(p'_\perp) & \cos \zeta(p'_\perp) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b^i_f(p'_\perp) \\ d^{+i}_f(p'_\perp) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b^i_f |0\rangle = 0, d^i_f |0\rangle = 0 \quad \text{vs.} \quad b^i |\Omega\rangle = 0, d^i |\Omega\rangle = 0$$

Interpolation

$$(E, p_z) \Rightarrow (p^\dagger / \sqrt{C}, p_\perp / \sqrt{C} \equiv p'_\perp)$$



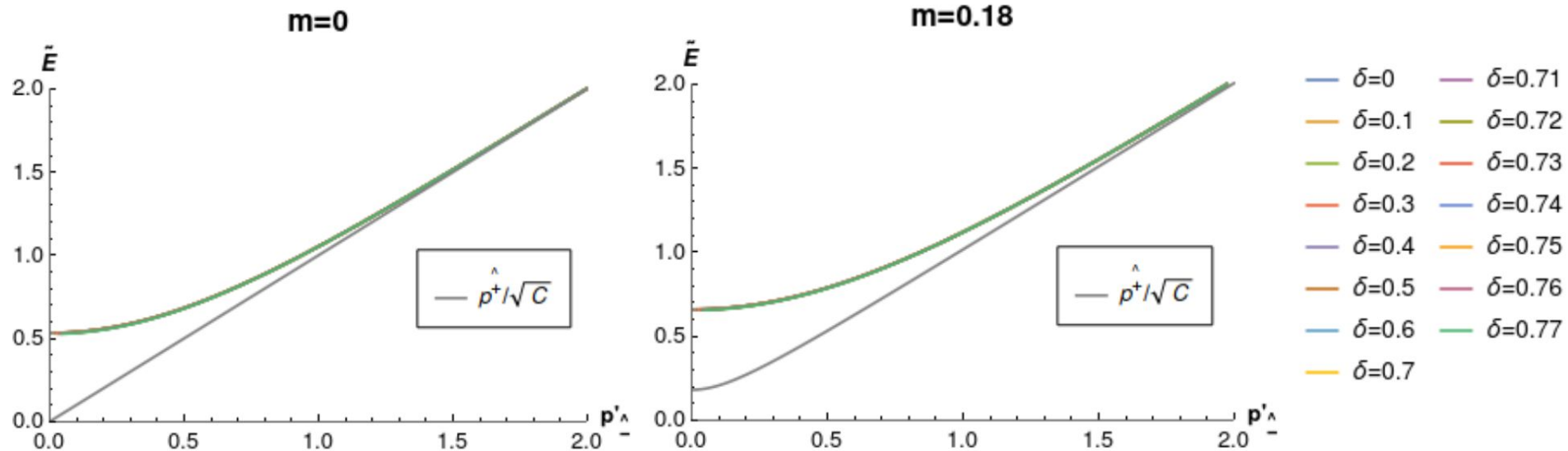
# Mass Gap Equation in Scaled Variables

$$\bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}} = \frac{\bar{p}_{\hat{\perp}}}{\sqrt{\mathbb{C}}}, \quad \bar{E}' = \frac{\bar{E}}{\sqrt{\mathbb{C}}}, \quad \bar{p}_{\hat{\perp}} = \frac{p_{\hat{\perp}}}{\sqrt{2\lambda}}, \quad \bar{E} = \frac{E}{\sqrt{2\lambda}}, \quad \bar{m} = \frac{m}{\sqrt{2\lambda}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}} \cos \theta(\bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}}) - \bar{m} \sin \theta(\bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}}) &= \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{d\bar{k}'_{\hat{\perp}}}{(\bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}} - \bar{k}'_{\hat{\perp}})^2} \sin \left( \theta(\bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}}) - \theta(\bar{k}'_{\hat{\perp}}) \right) \\ \bar{E}'(\bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}}) &= \bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}} \sin \theta(\bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}}) + \bar{m} \cos \theta(\bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}}) + \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{d\bar{k}'_{\hat{\perp}}}{(\bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}} - \bar{k}'_{\hat{\perp}})^2} \cos \left( \theta(\bar{p}'_{\hat{\perp}}) - \theta(\bar{k}'_{\hat{\perp}}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{p_{\hat{\perp}}}{\mathbb{C}} \cos \theta(p_{\hat{\perp}}) - \frac{m}{\sqrt{\mathbb{C}}} \sin \theta(p_{\hat{\perp}}) &= \frac{\lambda}{2} \int \frac{dk_{\hat{\perp}}}{(p_{\hat{\perp}} - k_{\hat{\perp}})^2} \sin \left( \theta(p_{\hat{\perp}}) - \theta(k_{\hat{\perp}}) \right) \\ E(p_{\hat{\perp}}) &= p_{\hat{\perp}} \sin \theta(p_{\hat{\perp}}) + \sqrt{\mathbb{C}} m \cos \theta(p_{\hat{\perp}}) + \frac{\mathbb{C}\lambda}{2} \int \frac{dk_{\hat{\perp}}}{(p_{\hat{\perp}} - k_{\hat{\perp}})^2} \cos \left( \theta(p_{\hat{\perp}}) - \theta(k_{\hat{\perp}}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

# Mass Gap Solutions

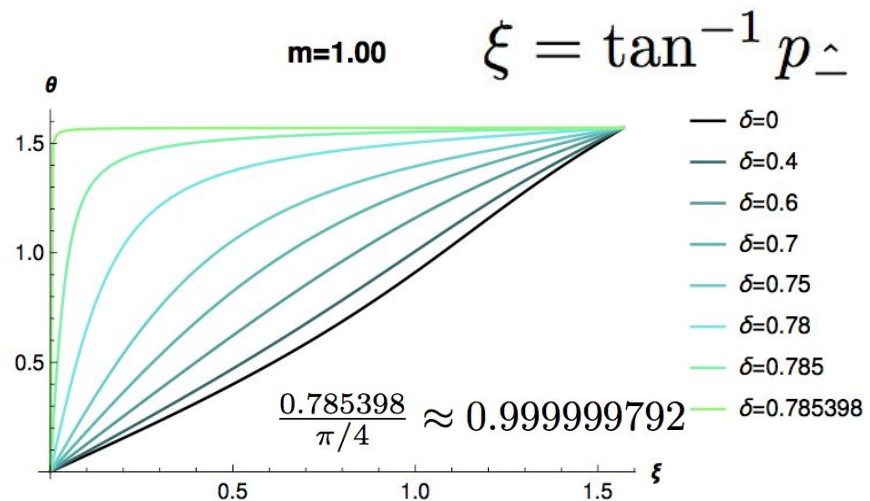
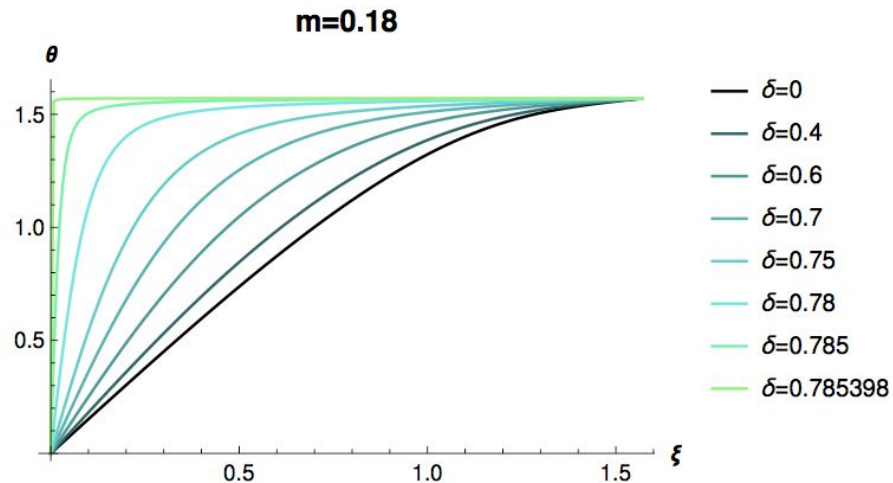
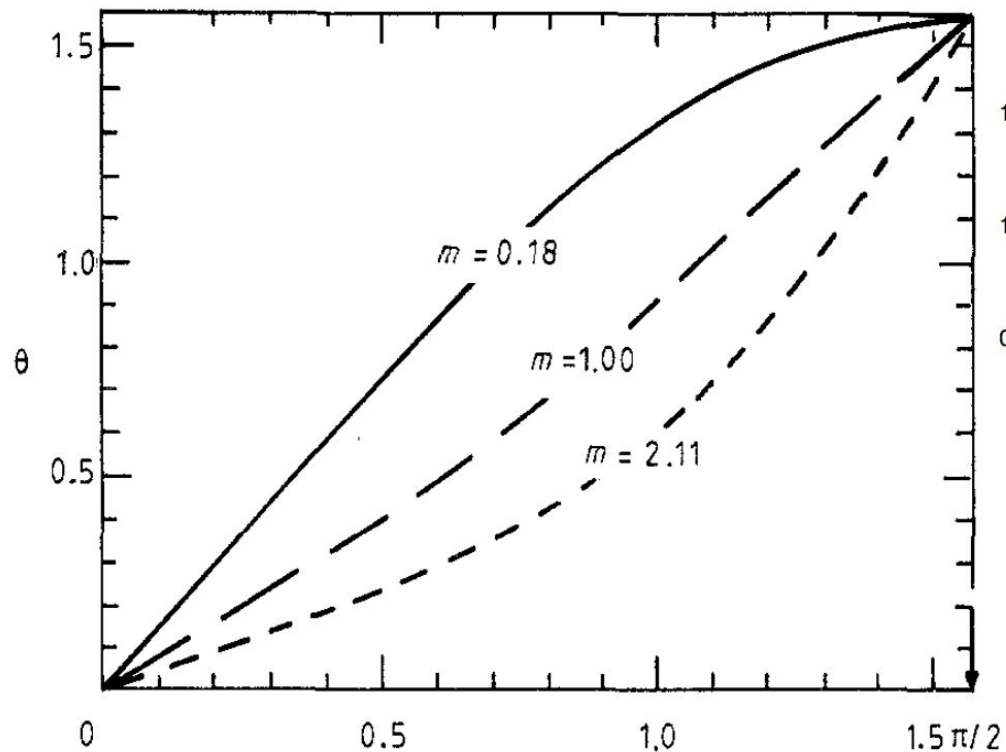


$$\tilde{E}(0) = \frac{F(0)E(0)}{\sqrt{C}} = M(0)$$

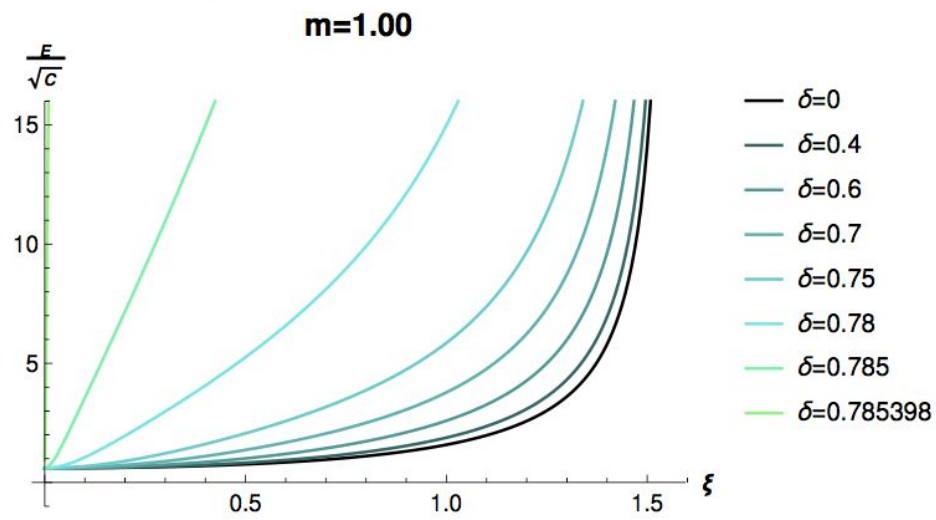
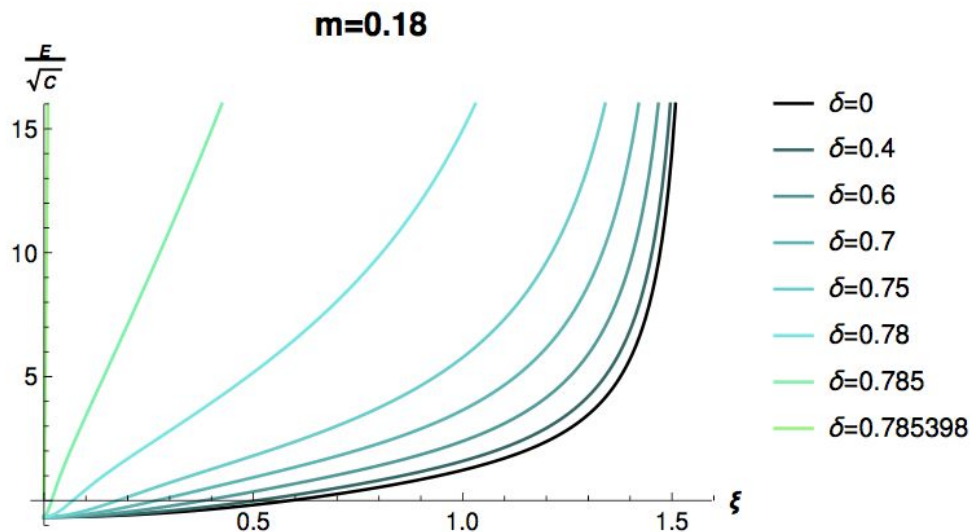
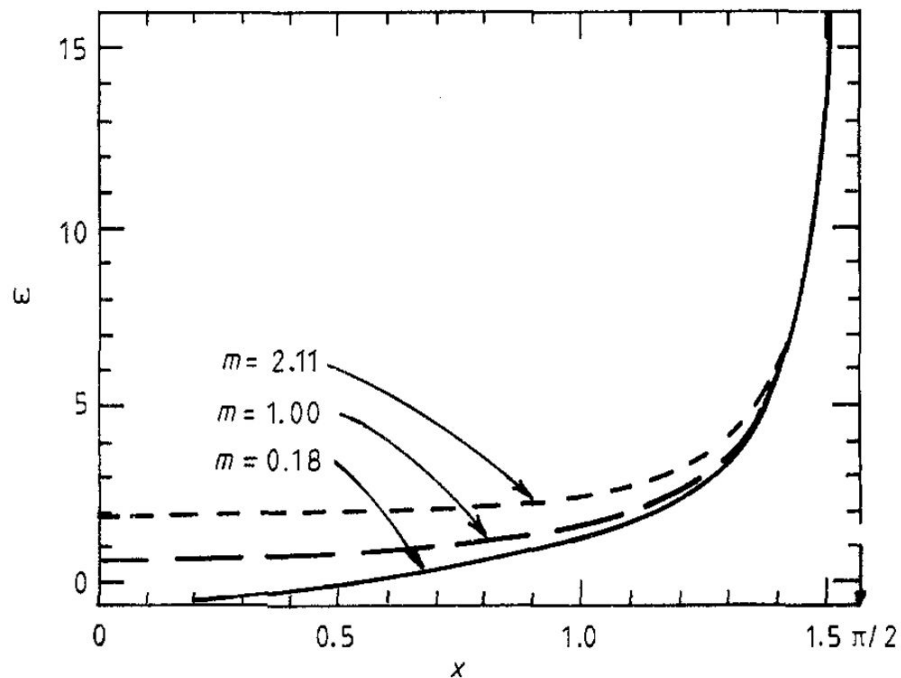
$m$	0	0.045	0.18	0.749	1.00	2.11	4.23
$M(0)$	0.532778	0.563644	0.659112	1.10105	1.31167	2.30969	4.34358
$F(0)$	-0.495173	-0.584175	-0.987673	4.11079	2.17976	1.22134	1.05526

$$m \lesssim 0.56$$





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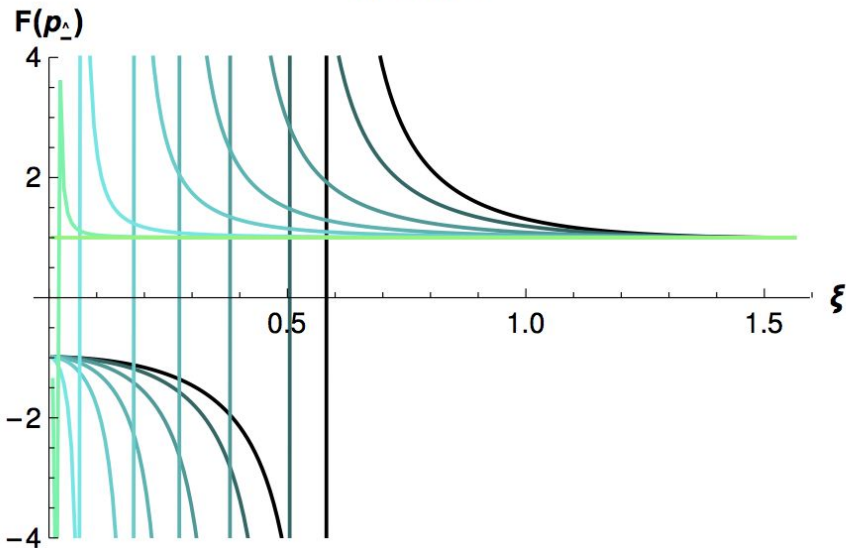


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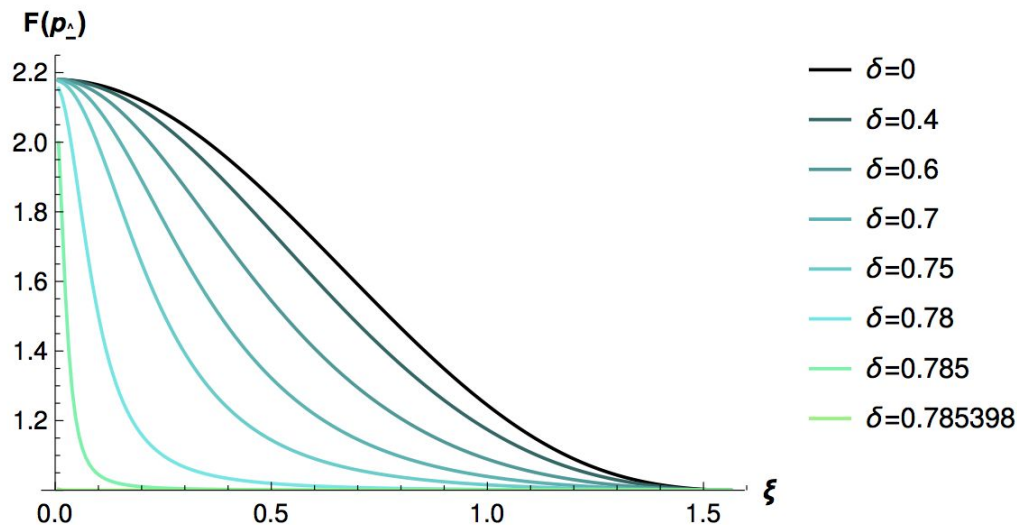


# Wave Function Renormalization Factors

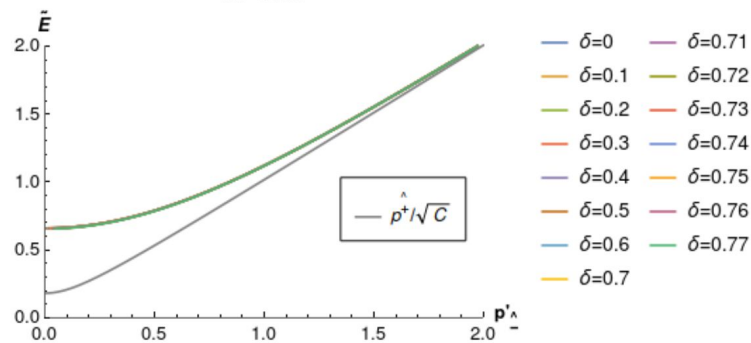
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$m=1.00$



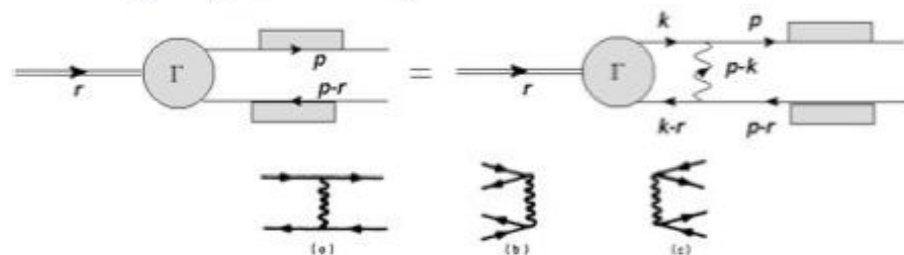
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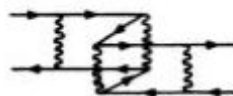
$$\frac{F(p'_{\perp})E(p'_{\perp})}{\sqrt{C}} = \sqrt{p'^2_{\perp} + M(p'_{\perp})^2} \equiv \tilde{E}(p'_{\perp})$$

# BOUND-STATE EQUATION

$$\Gamma(r, p) = \frac{i\lambda}{2\pi} \int \frac{dk_{\perp} dk_{\parallel}}{(p_{\perp} - k_{\perp})^2} S(p) \gamma^{\dagger} \Gamma(r, k) \gamma^{\dagger} S(p - r)$$



$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ -r_{\perp} + \frac{-S p_{\perp} + E(p_{\perp})}{\mathbb{C}} + \frac{S(p_{\perp} - r_{\perp}) + E(p_{\perp} - r_{\perp})}{\mathbb{C}} \right] \hat{\phi}_{+}(r_{\perp}, p_{\perp}) \\ &= \lambda \int \frac{dk_{\perp}}{(p_{\perp} - k_{\perp})^2} \left[ C(p_{\perp}, k_{\perp}, r_{\perp}) \hat{\phi}_{+}(r_{\perp}, k_{\perp}) - S(p_{\perp}, k_{\perp}, r_{\perp}) \hat{\phi}_{-}(r_{\perp}, k_{\perp}) \right], \\ & \left[ r_{\perp} + \frac{-S(p_{\perp} - r_{\perp}) + E(p_{\perp} - r_{\perp})}{\mathbb{C}} + \frac{S p_{\perp} + E(p_{\perp})}{\mathbb{C}} \right] \hat{\phi}_{-}(r_{\perp}, p_{\perp}) \\ &= \lambda \int \frac{dk_{\perp}}{(p_{\perp} - k_{\perp})^2} \left[ C(p_{\perp}, k_{\perp}, r_{\perp}) \hat{\phi}_{-}(r_{\perp}, k_{\perp}) - S(p_{\perp}, k_{\perp}, r_{\perp}) \hat{\phi}_{+}(r_{\perp}, k_{\perp}) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

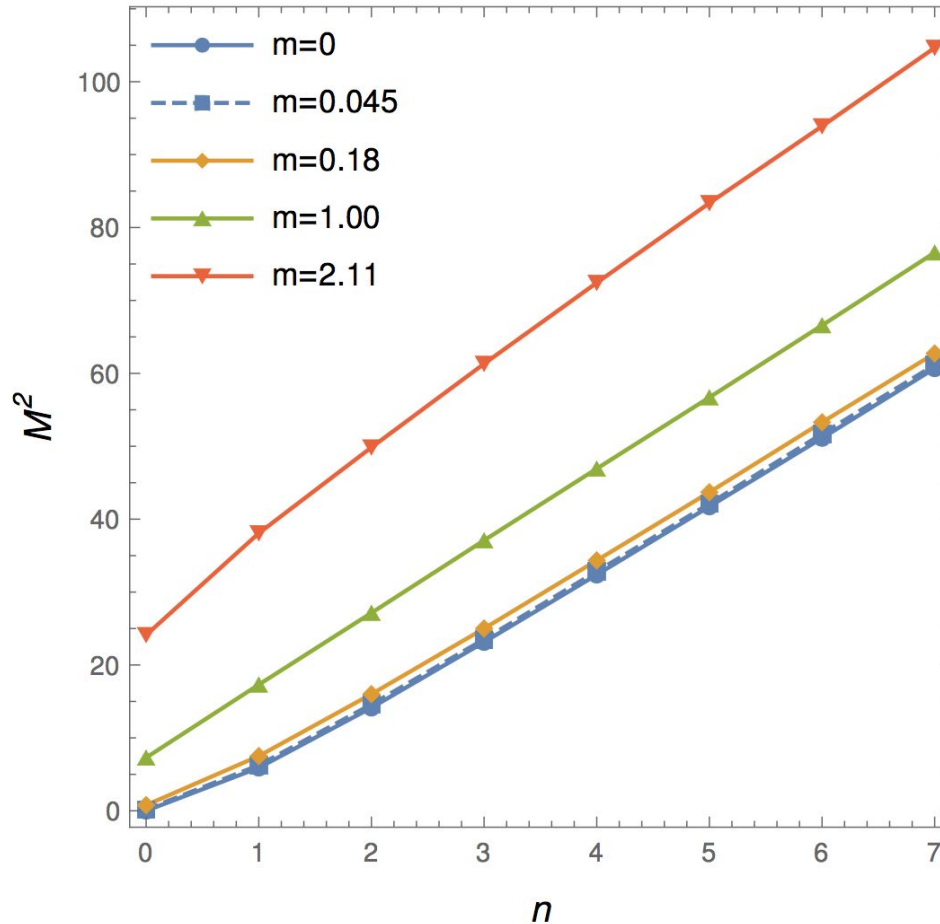


**LFD**

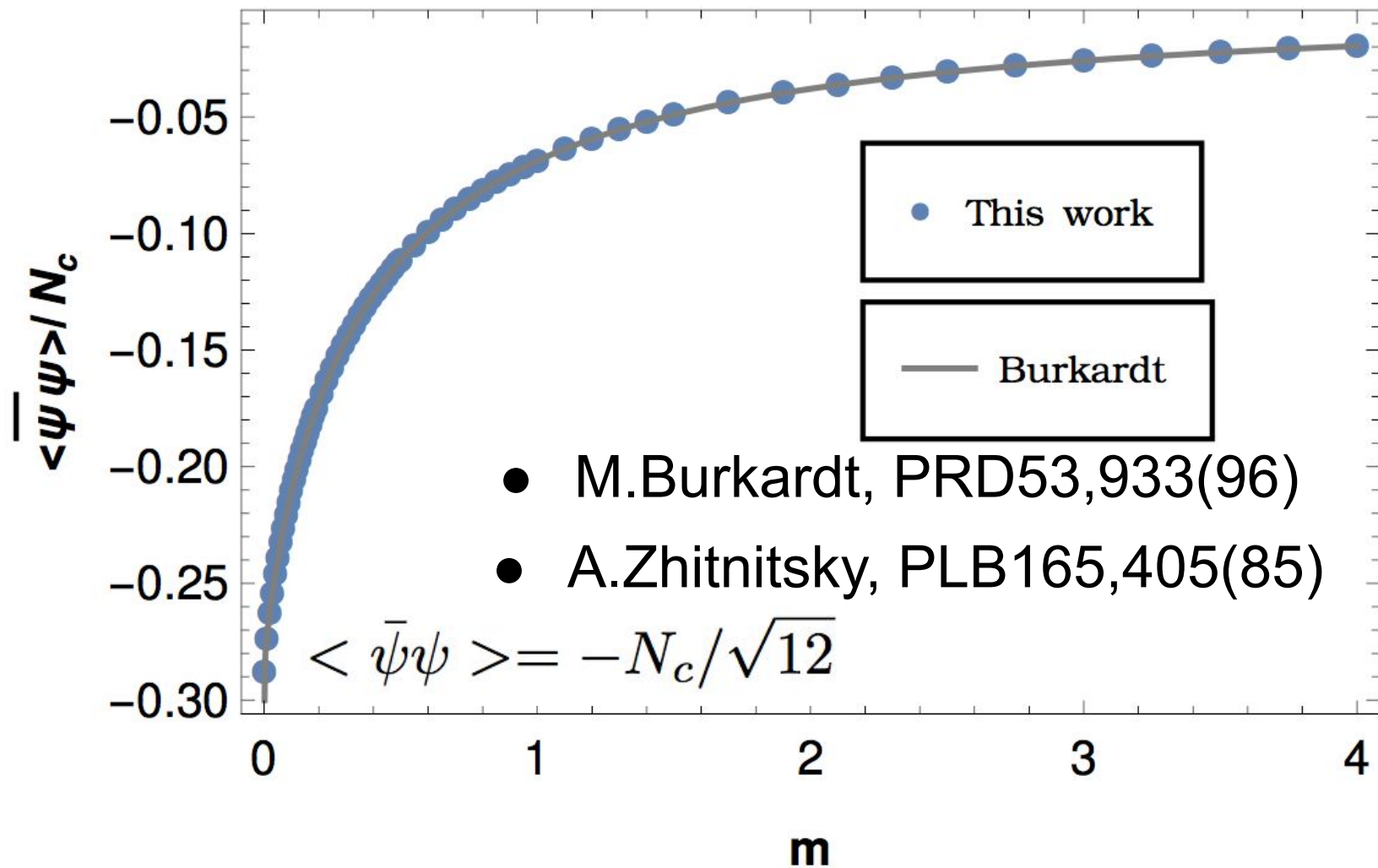
$$\left[ \mathcal{M}^2 - \frac{m^2 - 2\lambda}{x} - \frac{m^2 - 2\lambda}{1-x} \right] \phi(x) = -2\lambda \int_0^1 \frac{dy}{(x-y)^2} \phi(y)$$

# Meson Spectroscopy

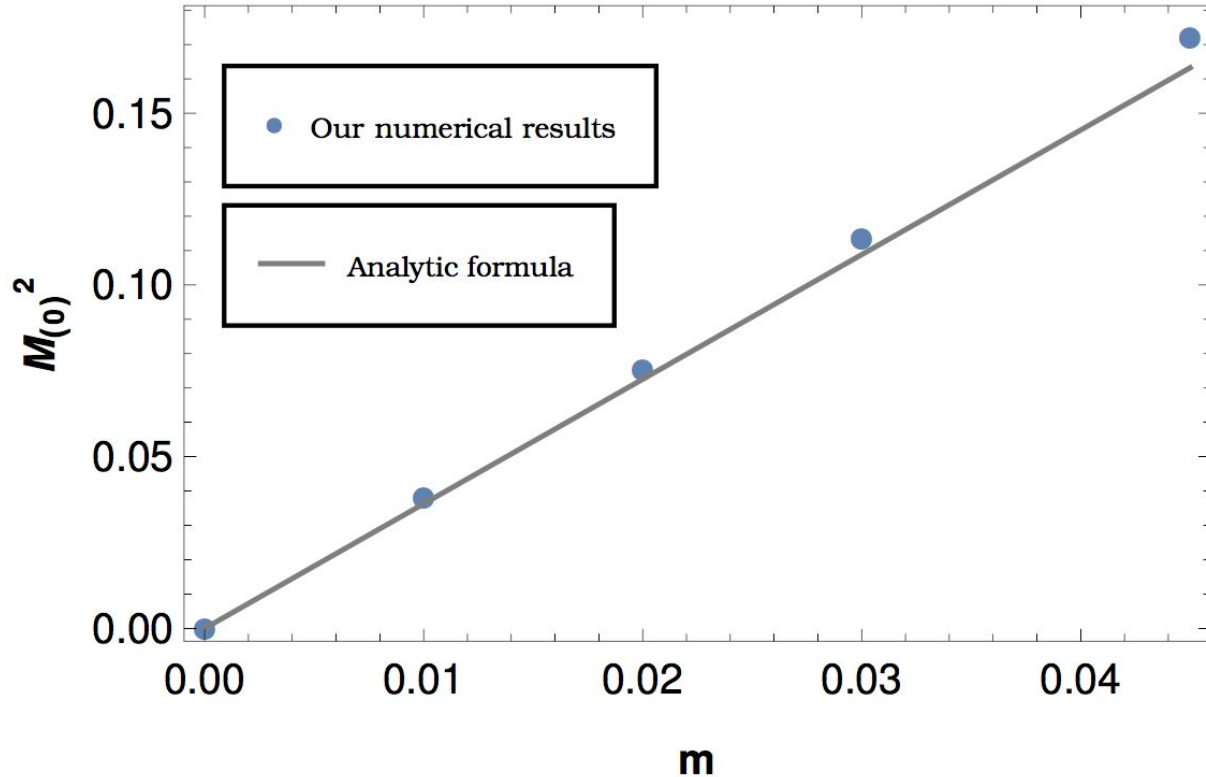
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- Y. Jia, et al., JHEP11, 151('17) - IFD (moving frame)



# Gell-Mann - Oaks - Renner Relation

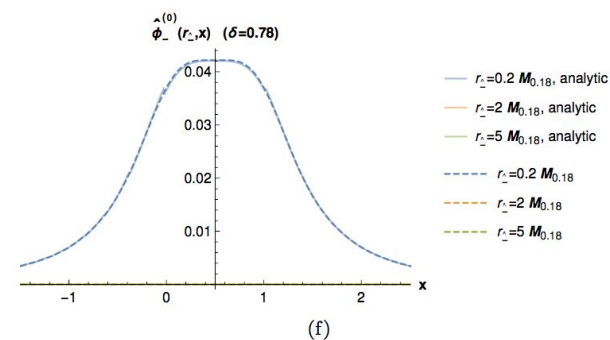
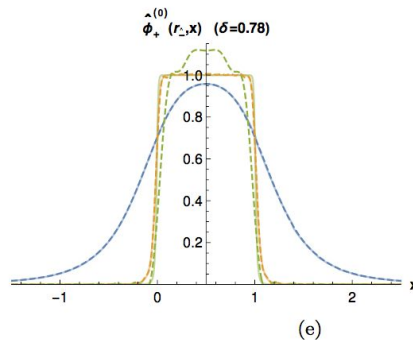
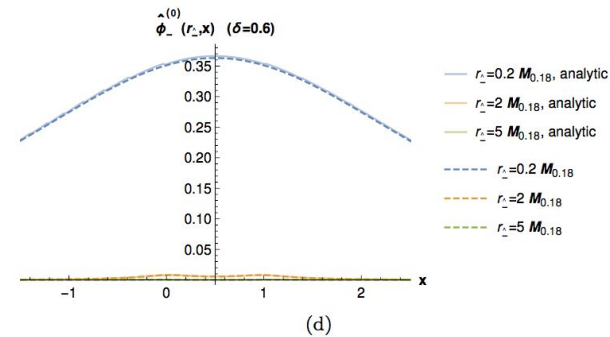
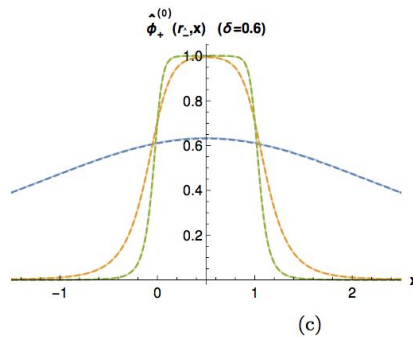
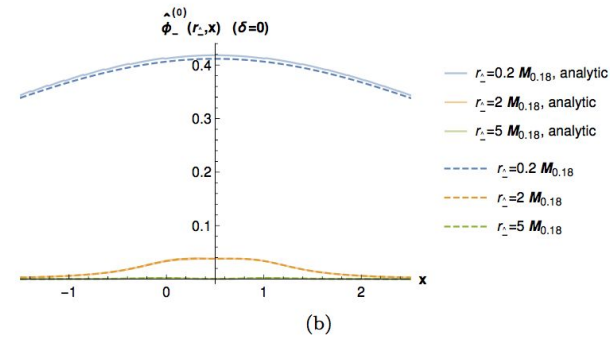
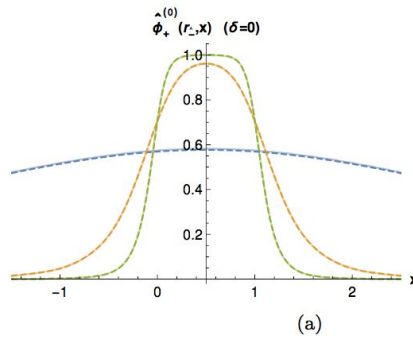


$$\mathcal{M}_{\pi}^2 = -\frac{4m \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle}{f_{\pi}^2} = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi^2 m^2 \lambda}{3}}$$

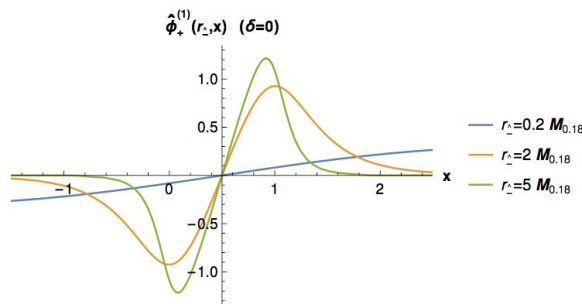
$$f_{\pi} = \sqrt{N_c/\pi}$$

# Meson Ground-state Wave-function for m=0 case

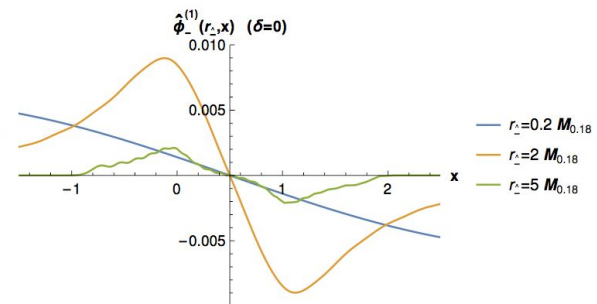
$$\hat{\phi}_{\pm}^{(0)}(r_{\pm}, p_{\pm}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \cos \frac{\theta(r_{\pm} - p_{\pm}) - \theta(p_{\pm})}{2} \pm \sin \frac{\theta(r_{\pm} - p_{\pm}) + \theta(p_{\pm})}{2} \right)$$



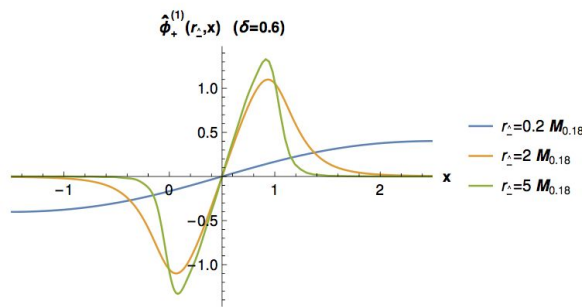
# First Excited-state Meson Wave-functions for $m=0$ case



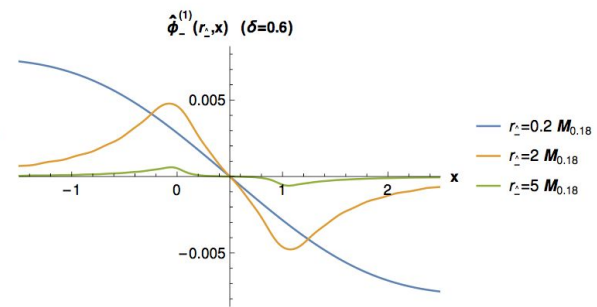
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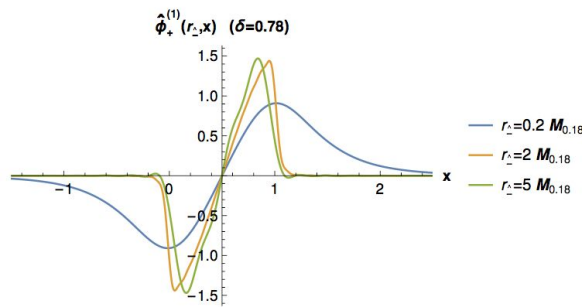
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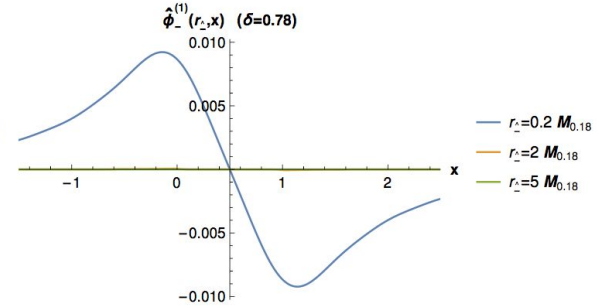
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(d)



(e)



(f)



# Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs)

$$q_n(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d\xi^-}{4\pi} e^{-ixP^+\xi^-} \\ \times \langle P_n^-, P^+ | \bar{\psi}(\xi^-) \gamma^+ \mathcal{W}[\xi^-, 0] \psi(0) | P_n^-, P^+ \rangle_C,$$

$$\mathcal{W}[\xi^-, 0] = \mathcal{P} \left[ \exp \left( -ig_s \int_0^{\xi^-} d\eta^- A^+(\eta^-) \right) \right] \mathbf{A^+=0 Gauge in LFD}$$

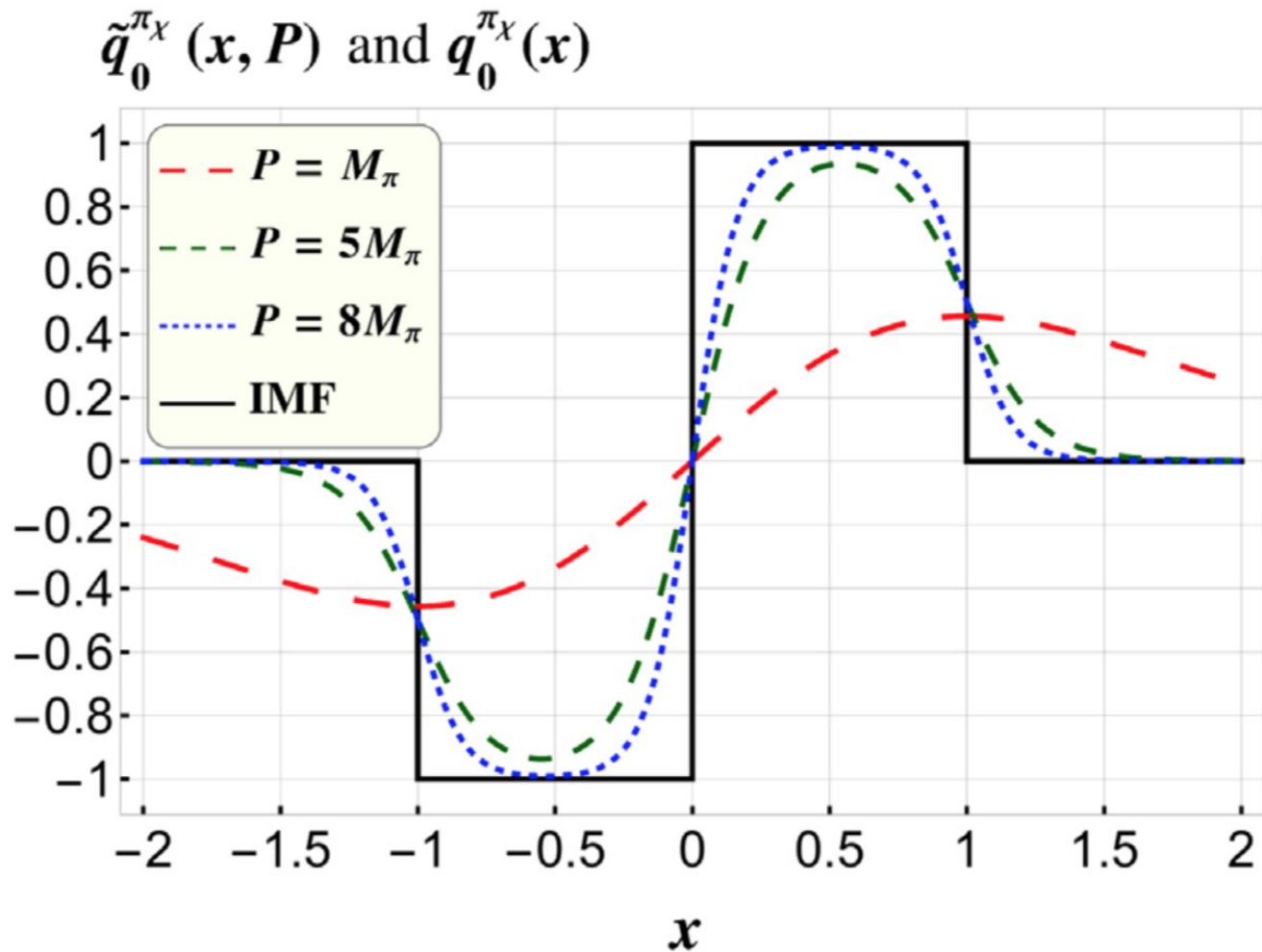
## Quasi-PDFs

$$\tilde{q}_{(n)}(r_\perp, x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dx^\perp}{4\pi} e^{ix^\perp r_\perp} \\ \times \langle r_{(n)}^\dagger, r_\perp | \bar{\psi}(x^\perp) \gamma_\perp \mathcal{W}[x^\perp, 0] \psi(0) | r_{(n)}^\dagger, r_\perp \rangle_C,$$

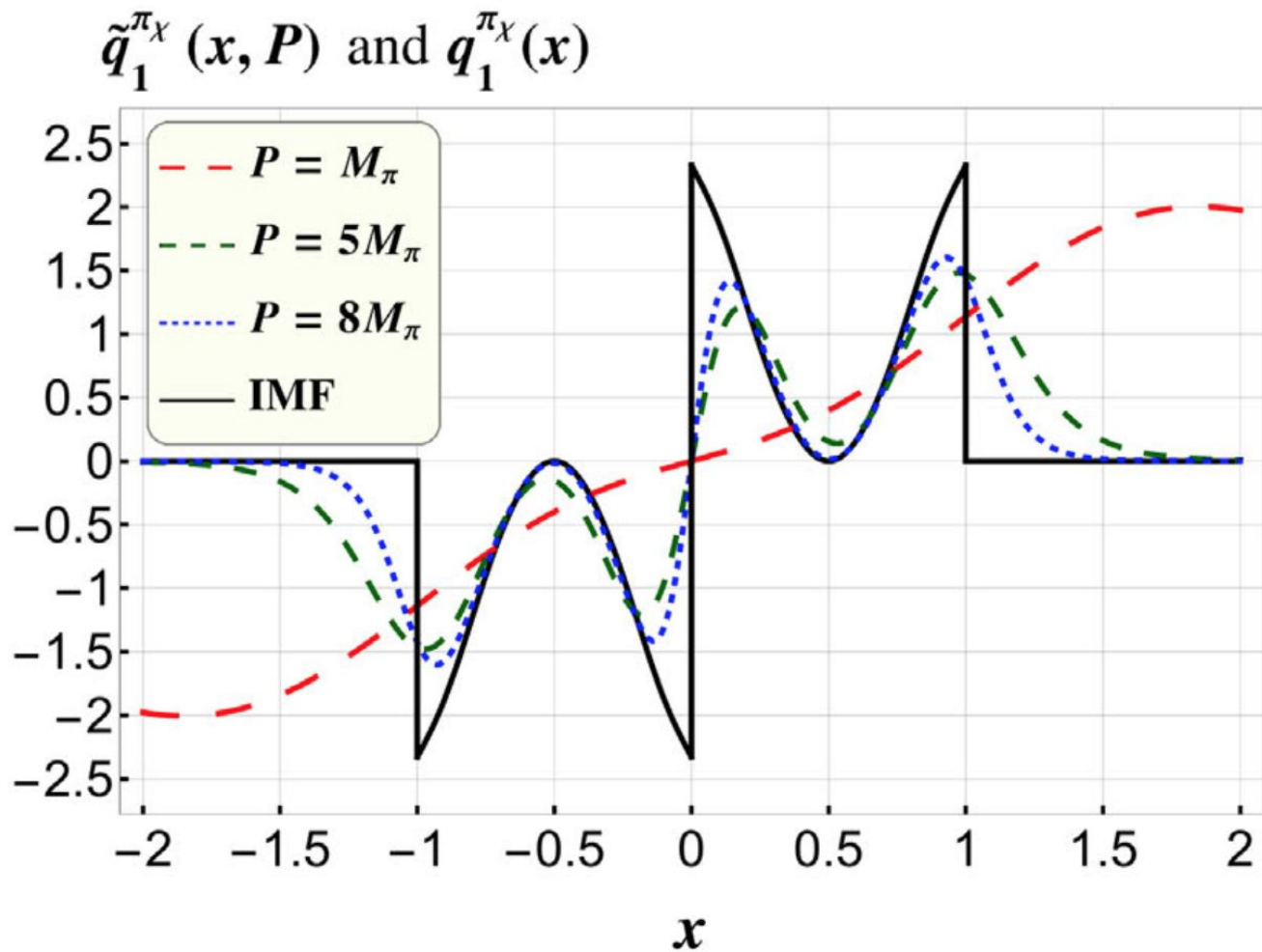
$$\mathcal{W}[x^\perp, 0] = \mathcal{P} \left[ \exp \left( -ig \int_0^{x^\perp} dx'^\perp A_\perp(x'^\perp) \right) \right] \mathbf{Interpolating dynamics}$$



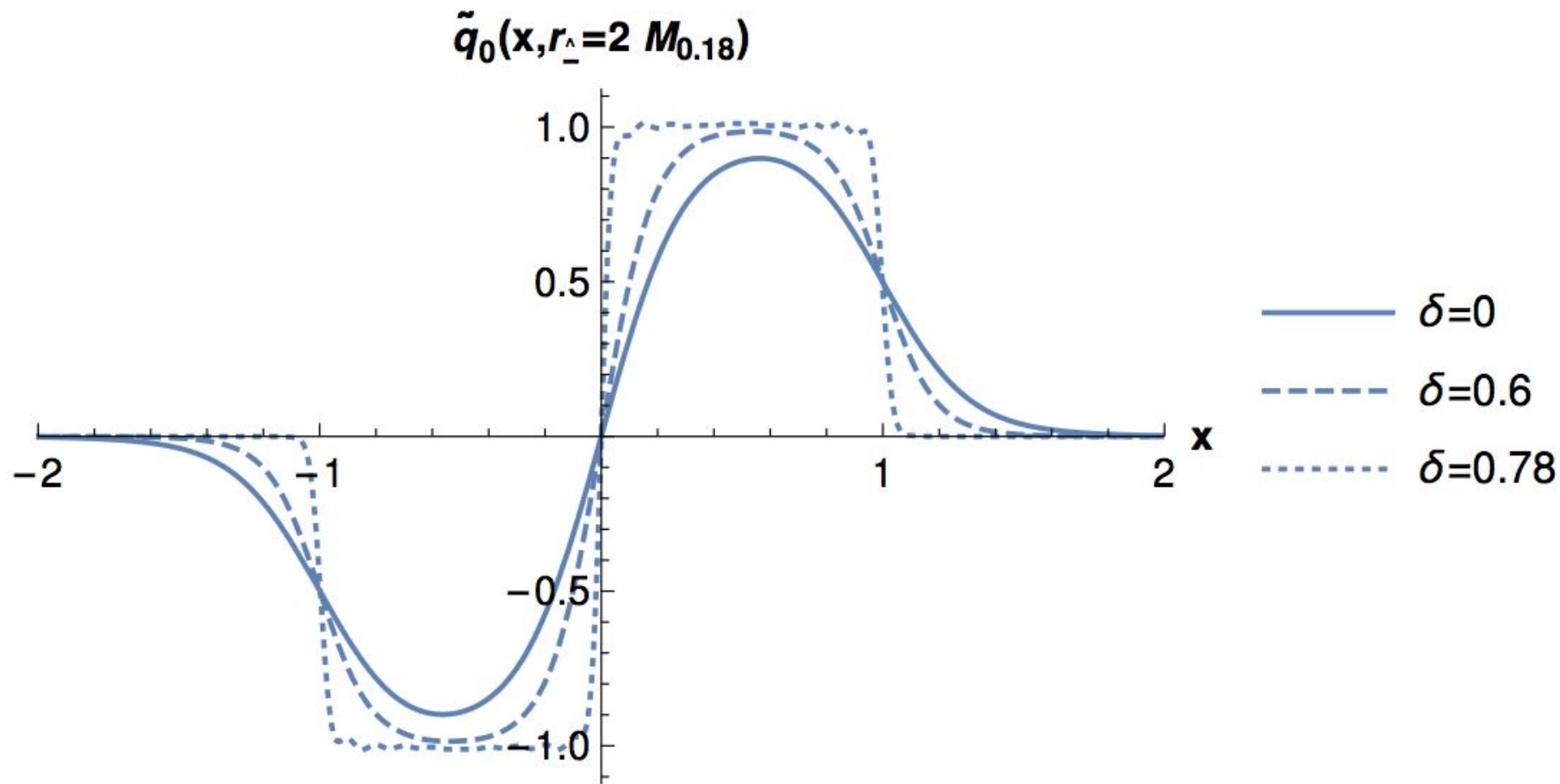
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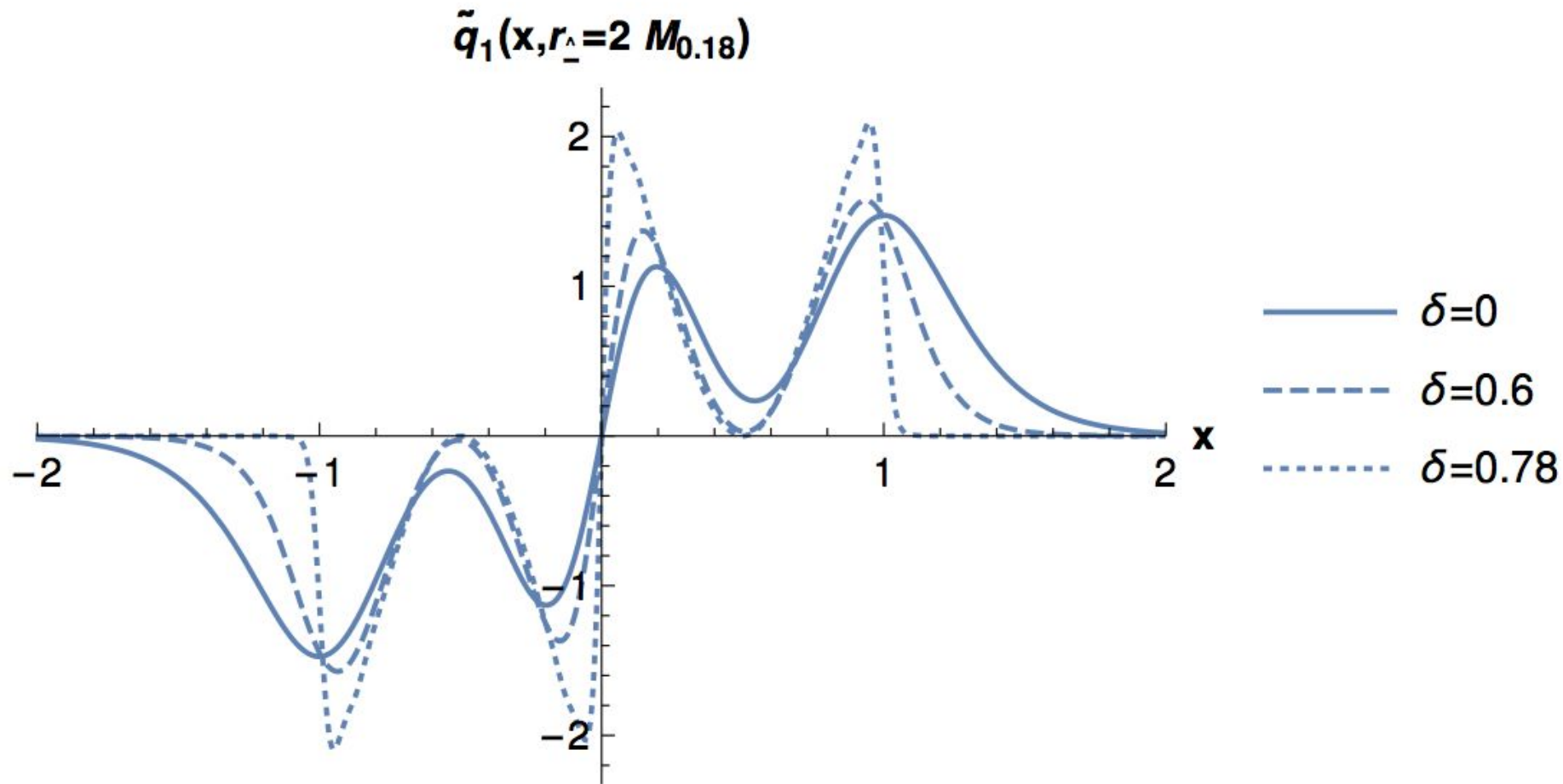
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## Extended Wick Rotation

$$p^0 \rightarrow \tilde{P}^0 = ip^0 \quad (\delta = 0)$$

*For*  $0 < \delta < \pi / 4$ ,

$$p^{\hat{+}} / \sqrt{C} \rightarrow \tilde{P}^{\hat{+}} / \sqrt{C} = ip^{\hat{+}} / \sqrt{C} .$$

*Correspondence to Euclidean Space*

$$p_{\hat{-}}'^2 = p_{\hat{-}}^2 / C \leftrightarrow -\tilde{P}^2$$

# Conclusion and Outlook

- Whole landscape between IFD and LFD has been revealed in QED tree-level with interpolating spinors, gauge bosons, their propagators.
- Maximal stability group of LFD saves significant dynamic efforts.
- Interpolating quantum field theory appears useful in resolution of theoretical issues, e.g. LFZM.

- QCD(1+1) in large  $N_c$  ‘tHooft model’ is interpolated between IFD and LFD and solved for its mass gap to find interpolation angle independent energy function including the wavefunction renormalization.
- Chiral condensate, meson mass spectra bearing the feature of Regge trajectories and GOR relation are found independent of interpolation angle indicating the persistence of nontrivial vacuum even in LFD.

- Applying to quasi-PDFs in the interpolating formulation, we note a possibility of utilizing not only the reference frame dependence but also the interpolation angle dependence to get an alternative effective approach to the LFD's PDFs.