

Three-gluon vertex: the new frontier

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*Emergent mass and its consequences
in the Standard Model*

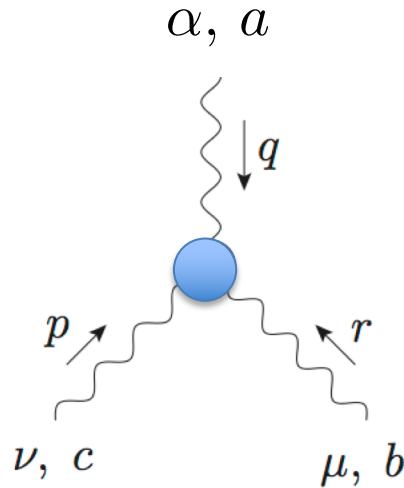
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Three-gluon vertex



The diagram shows a central blue circle representing the three-gluon vertex. Three wavy lines (gluons) meet at this vertex. The top line is labeled with index α and color a , and has a downward-pointing arrow labeled q . The bottom-left line is labeled with index ν and color c , and has an upward-pointing arrow labeled p . The bottom-right line is labeled with index μ and color b , and has an upward-pointing arrow labeled r .

$$= g f^{abc} \mathbf{\Gamma}_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p)$$

- Purely non-Abelian (no QED analogue)
- Crucial for asymptotic freedom
- Host of a plethora of tightly interwoven nonperturbative effects

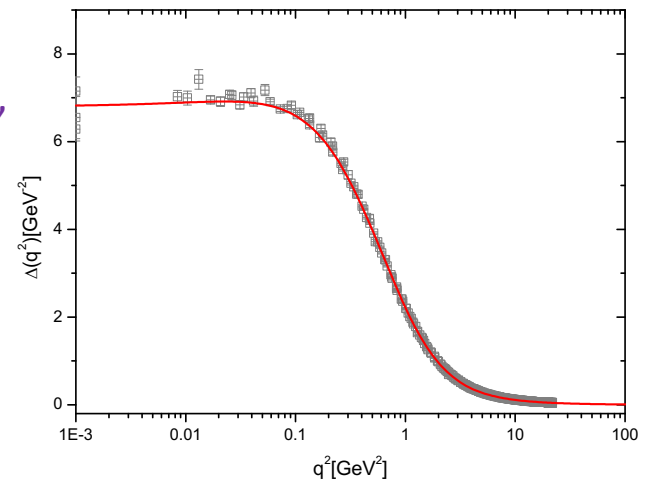
Emergent mass in the gauge sector

“Saturation” \longleftrightarrow “dynamical gluon mass generation”

J. M. Cornwall, Phys. Rev. D, 1453 (1982)

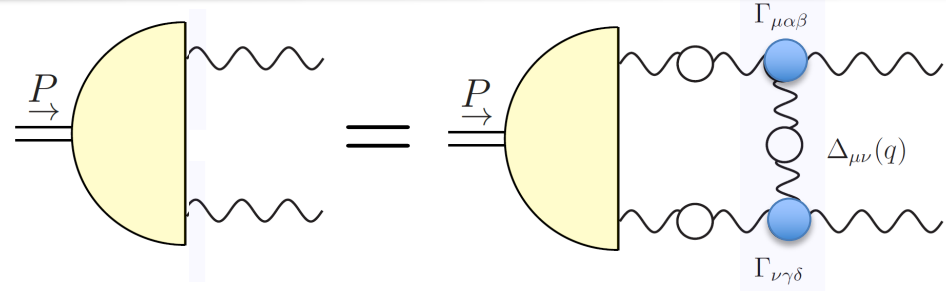
Existence of “massive” solutions depends crucially on the presence of **massless poles** in Π

A. C. Aguilar, D. Binosi, J. P., Phys. Rev. D 78, 025010 (2008)



Glueballs

The **infrared suppression** of Π seems crucial for getting “correct” glueball masses from the BSE



J. Meyers, E.S. Swanson, Phys. Rev. D 87, 036009 (2013)

H.Sanchis-Alepuz, C. S. Fischer, *et al*, Phys.Rev. D92, 034001 (2015).

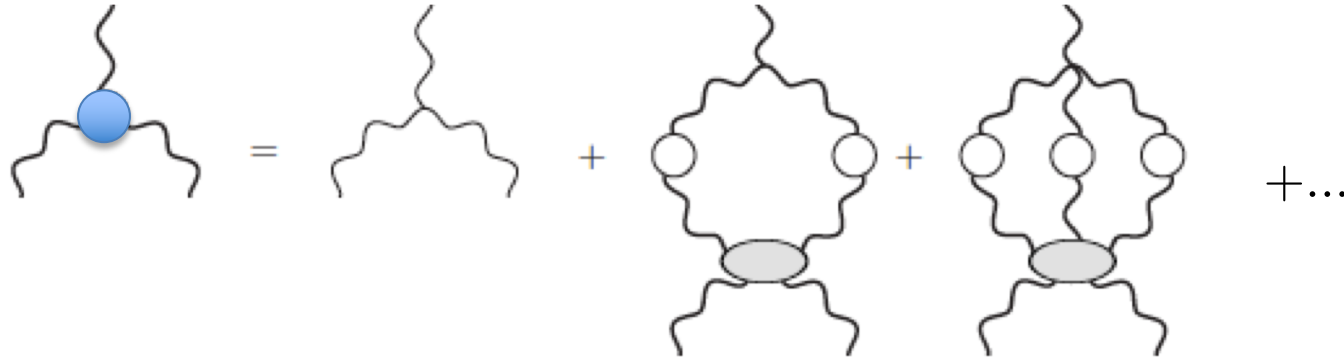
Hybrids and Exotics

Systems with a “valence” gluon G : $Q\bar{Q}G$, $QQQG$

G plays a dual role : **both force field and matter**

The **infrared behavior** of Π affects their appearance in the spectrum

“Conventional” approach: solve the SDE of the three-gluon vertex



R. Alkofer, M.Q. Huber, K. Schwenzer, Eur. Phys. J. C62 , 761 (2009); Phys. Rev. D81, 105010 (2010)

M. Pelaez, M. Tissier, N. Wschebor, Phys. Rev. D88 (2013)

G. Eichmann, R. Williams, R. Alkofer, M. Vujanovic, Phys. Rev. D89, 105014 (2014)

A. Blum, M.Q. Huber, M. Mitter, L. von Smekal, Phys. Rev. D 89, 061703(R) (2014)

A. K. Cyrol, L. Fister, M. Mitter, J. M. Pawłowski, N. Strodthoff, Phys. Rev. D94, 054005 (2016)

R. Williams, C. S. Fischer, and W. Heupel, Phys. Rev. D 93, no. 3, 034026 (2016)

Instead ...

Reconstruct $\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{abc}$ from its Slavnov-Taylor identity (STI)

Non-perturbative aspects make the construction rather subtle

The general idea: a sophisticated version of the Gauge Technique

Prototype: three-particle vertex of scalar QED

It satisfies the Ward-Takahashi identity

$$q^\mu \Gamma_\mu(q, r, p) = \mathcal{D}^{-1}(p^2) - \mathcal{D}^{-1}(r^2)$$



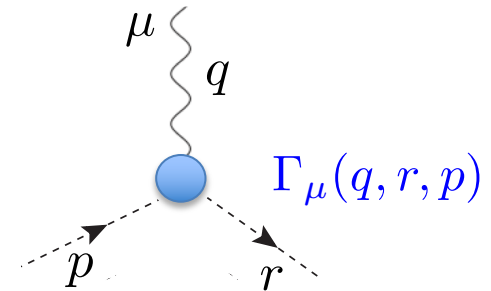
Write as $\Gamma_\mu(q, r, p) = \underbrace{\Gamma_\mu^L(q, r, p)}_{\text{"longitudinal"}} + \underbrace{\Gamma_\mu^T(q, r, p)}_{\text{"transverse"}}$

$$\Gamma_\mu^L(q, r, p) = \frac{(r-p)_\mu}{p^2 - r^2} [\mathcal{D}^{-1}(p^2) - \mathcal{D}^{-1}(r^2)]$$

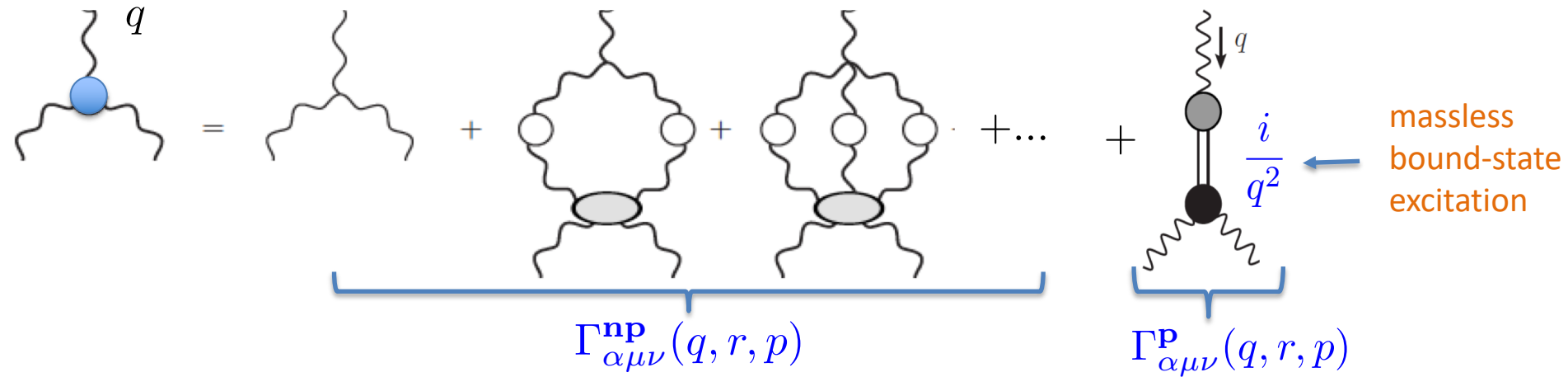
satisfies WTI

$$\Gamma_\mu^T(q, r, p) = \underbrace{A(q, r, p)}_{\text{"undetermined"}} [(q \cdot p)r_\mu - (q \cdot p)p_\mu]$$

automatically conserved



Γ and the gluon mass



- $\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^p(q, r, p)$ contains massless poles and triggers the **Schwinger mechanism**
- Responsible for mass generation and subsequent saturation of $\Delta(0)$
- The poles are formed **dynamically** \longrightarrow Bound states satisfying a **special BSE**
- $\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^p(q, r, p)$ is **longitudinally coupled** :

$$\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^p(q, r, p) = \left(\frac{q_\alpha}{q^2}\right) A_{\mu\nu}(q, r, p) + \left(\frac{r_\mu}{r^2}\right) B_{\alpha\nu}(q, r, p) + \left(\frac{p_\nu}{p^2}\right) C_{\alpha\mu}(q, r, p)$$

$$P^{\mu\nu}(q) = g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{q^\mu q^\nu}{q^2}.$$

$$P_{\alpha\alpha'}(q) P_{\mu\mu'}(r) P_{\nu\nu'}(p) \Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^p(q, r, p) = 0$$

→ Substitute Π into the SDE of the gluon propagator

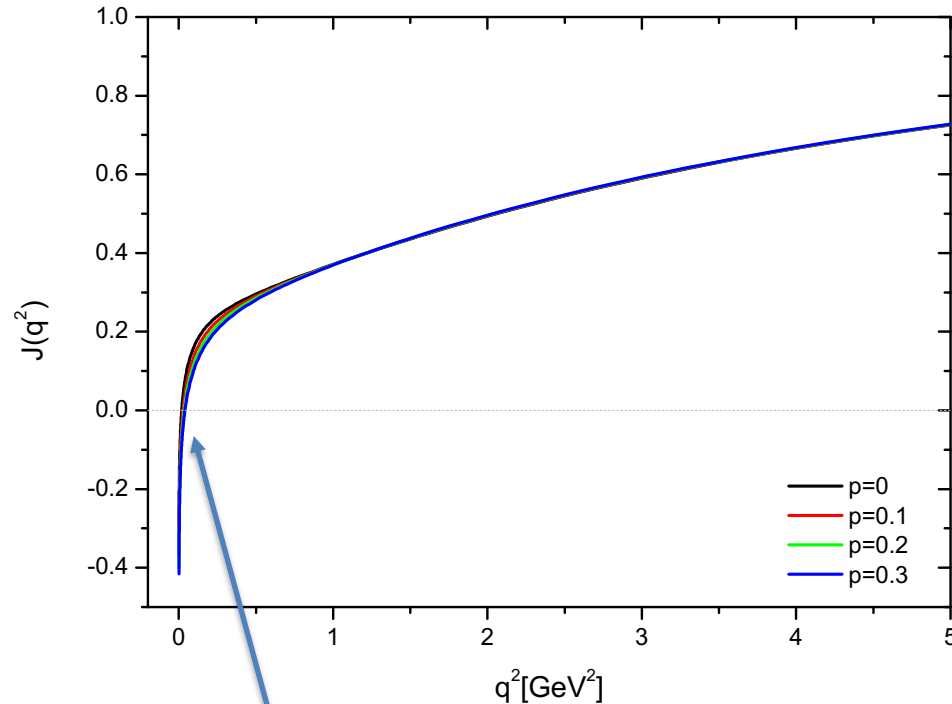
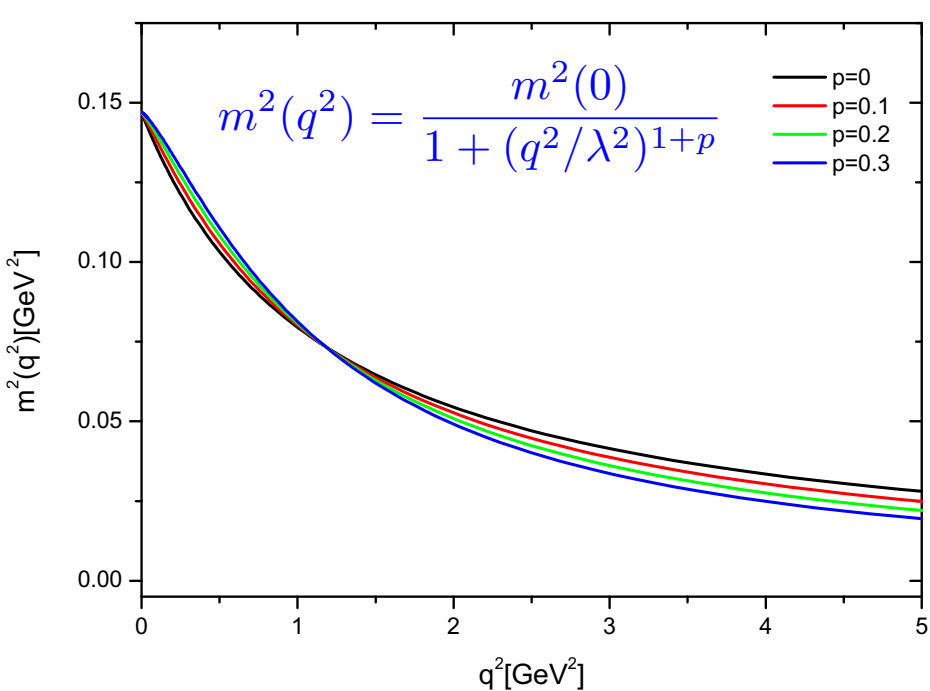
$$\Delta^{-1}(q^2) = \Delta_0^{-1}(q^2) + \frac{1}{2} \text{ (loop with 2 grey vertices) } + \frac{1}{2} \text{ (loop with 2 grey and 2 blue vertices) } + \text{ (loop with 2 grey and 1 green vertex) } + \dots$$

$$\Delta^{-1}(q^2) = \underbrace{q^2 J(q^2)}_{\text{kinetic term}} + \underbrace{m^2(q^2)}_{\text{running mass}}$$

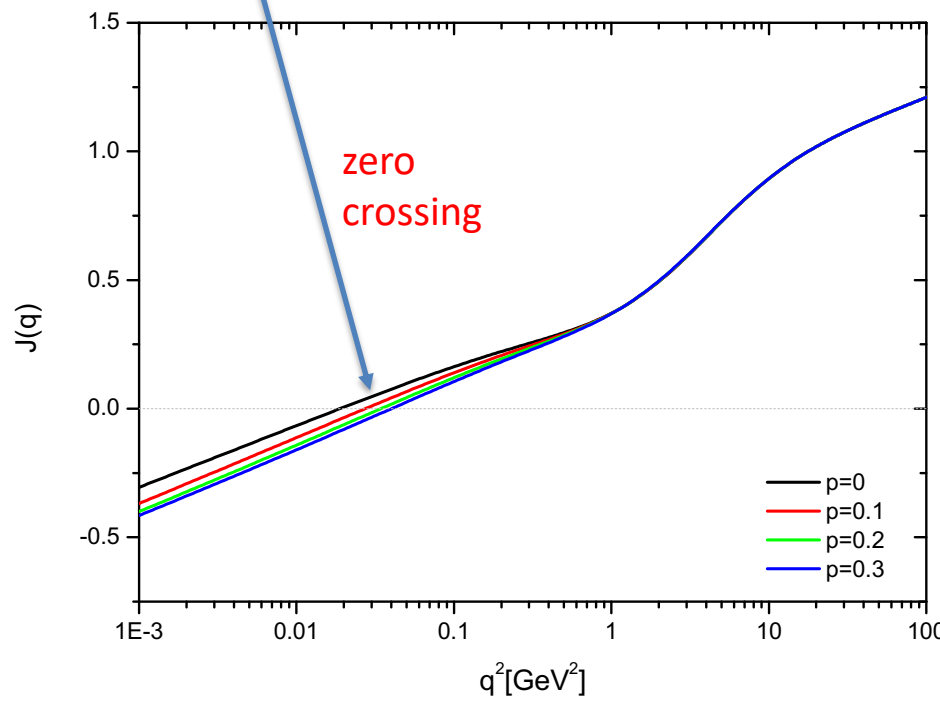
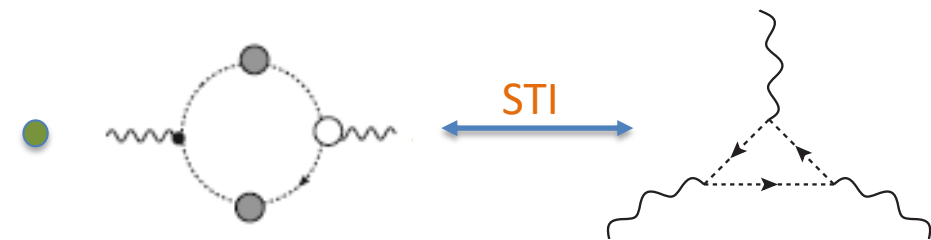
$$J(q^2) = 1 + \int_k \mathcal{K}_1(q, k, m^2, J)$$

$$m^2(q^2) = \int_k \mathcal{K}_2(q, k, m^2, J)$$

System of coupled equations



p	Crossing [MeV]
0	139
0.1	166
0.2	187
0.3	202



Zero crossing "passes" from $J(q^2)$ to Γ^{np}

- The STIs must be realized in part by means of a **longitudinally coupled** pole term

$$\mathbb{\Gamma}_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p) = \Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{np}}(q, r, p) + \Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{P}}(q, r, p)$$

$$\Delta^{-1}(q^2) = q^2 J(q^2) + m^2(q^2)$$

$$q^\alpha \Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{np}}(q, r, p) = p^2 J(p^2) P_{\mu\nu}(p) - r^2 J(r^2) P_{\mu\nu}(r)$$

$$q^\alpha \Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{P}}(q, r, p) = m^2(p^2) P_{\mu\nu}(p) - m^2(r^2) P_{\mu\nu}(r)$$



sum by parts

Full (abelianized) STI: $q^\alpha \mathbb{\Gamma}_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p) = \Delta^{-1}(p^2) P_{\mu\nu}(p) - \Delta^{-1}(r^2) P_{\mu\nu}(r)$

Note that the kinematic structure of $\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{np}}(q, r, p)$ and $\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{P}}(q, r, p)$ is very different

$$P^{\alpha\alpha'}(q) P^{\mu\mu'}(r) P^{\nu\nu'}(p) \Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{P}}(q, r, p) = 0 \quad \text{vs} \quad P^{\alpha\alpha'}(q) P^{\mu\mu'}(r) P^{\nu\nu'}(p) \Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{np}}(q, r, p) \neq 0$$

The Slavnov-Taylor identity of $\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\text{np}}$

$$q^\alpha \Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\text{np}}(q, r, p) = F(q^2) \left[\underbrace{p^2 J(p^2) P_\nu^\alpha(p)}_{\text{ghost dressing function}} H_{\alpha\mu}(p, q, r) - r^2 J(r^2) P_\mu^\alpha(r) H_{\alpha\nu}(r, q, p) \right]$$

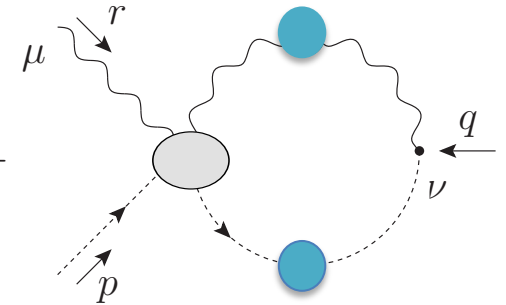
Ghost-gluon kernel

ghost dressing function

$$\underbrace{D(q)}_{\text{ghost propagator}} \equiv \frac{iF(q)}{q^2}$$

ghost propagator

$$H_{\nu\mu}(q, p, r) = g_{\mu\nu} +$$



$$H_{\nu\mu}(q, p, r) = g_{\mu\nu} A_1 + q_\mu q_\nu A_2 + r_\mu r_\nu A_3 + q_\mu r_\nu A_4 + r_\mu q_\nu A_5$$

Bose-symmetric Ball-Chiu basis

$$\Gamma_{\text{np}}^{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p) = \underbrace{\Gamma_L^{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p)}_{\text{Saturates the STI}} + \underbrace{\Gamma_T^{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p)}_{\text{Automatically conserved}}$$

Saturates the STI

Automatically conserved

$$\Gamma_L^{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p) = \sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i(q, r, p) \ell_i^{\alpha\mu\nu}$$

$\ell_1^{\alpha\mu\nu} = (q - r)^\nu g^{\alpha\mu}$	$\ell_2^{\alpha\mu\nu} = -p^\nu g^{\alpha\mu}$	$\ell_3^{\alpha\mu\nu} = (q - r)^\nu [q_\mu r^\alpha - (q \cdot r) g_{\alpha\mu}]$
$\ell_4^{\alpha\mu\nu} = (r - p)^\alpha g^{\mu\nu}$	$\ell_5^{\alpha\mu\nu} = -q^\alpha g^{\mu\nu}$	$\ell_6^{\alpha\mu\nu} = (r - p)^\alpha [r^\nu p^\mu - (r \cdot p) g^{\mu\nu}]$,
$\ell_7^{\alpha\mu\nu} = (p - q)^\mu g^{\alpha\nu}$	$\ell_8^{\alpha\mu\nu} = -r^\mu g^{\alpha\nu}$	$\ell_9^{\alpha\mu\nu} = (p - q)^\mu [p^\alpha q^\nu - (p \cdot q) g^{\alpha\nu}]$
$\ell_{10}^{\alpha\mu\nu} = q^\nu r^\alpha p^\mu + q^\mu r^\nu p^\alpha$		

$$\Gamma_T^{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p) = \sum_{i=1}^4 Y_i(q, r, p) t_i^{\alpha\mu\nu}$$

$$t_1^{\alpha\mu\nu} = [(q \cdot r) g^{\alpha\mu} - q^\mu r^\alpha] [(r \cdot p) q^\nu - (q \cdot p) r^\nu]$$

$$t_2^{\alpha\mu\nu} = [(r \cdot p) g^{\mu\nu} - r^\nu p^\mu] [(p \cdot q) r^\alpha - (r \cdot q) p^\alpha]$$

$$t_3^{\alpha\mu\nu} = [(p \cdot q) g^{\nu\alpha} - p^\alpha q^\nu] [(q \cdot r) p^\mu - (p \cdot r) q^\mu]$$

$$t_4^{\alpha\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} [(p \cdot q) r^\alpha - (r \cdot q) p^\alpha] + g^{\nu\alpha} [(q \cdot r) p^\mu - (p \cdot r) q^\mu] + g^{\alpha\mu} [(r \cdot p) q^\nu - (q \cdot p) r^\nu]$$

$$+ p^\alpha q^\mu r^\nu - r^\alpha p^\mu q^\nu$$

The Ball-Chiu solution

Define: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_{qpr} := F(r)J(p)A_1(p, r, q) \\ b_{qpr} := F(r)J(p)A_3(p, r, q) \\ d_{qpr} := F(r)J(p)[A_4(p, r, q) - A_3(p, r, q)] \end{array} \right.$



Matching tensorial structures

+ *an important constraint*



$$X_1(q, r, p) = \frac{1}{4} [2(a_{pqr} + a_{prq}) + p^2(b_{qrp} + b_{rqp}) + 2(q \cdot p d_{prq} + r \cdot p d_{pqr}) + (q^2 - r^2)(b_{rpq} + b_{pqr} - b_{qpr} - b_{prq})]$$

$$X_2(q, r, p) = \frac{1}{4} [2(a_{prq} - a_{pqr}) - (q^2 - r^2)(b_{qrp} + b_{rqp}) + 2(q \cdot p d_{prq} - r \cdot p d_{pqr}) + p^2(b_{prq} - b_{pqr} + b_{qpr} - b_{rpq})]$$

$$X_3(q, r, p) = \frac{1}{q^2 - r^2} [a_{rpq} - a_{qpr} + r \cdot p d_{qpr} - q \cdot p d_{rpq}],$$

$$X_{10}(q, r, p) = -\frac{1}{2} [b_{qrp} + b_{rpq} + b_{pqr} - b_{qpr} - b_{rqp} - b_{prq}]$$

The “abelianized” solution



Turn off the ghost sector



$$F(q^2) \rightarrow 1$$

$$H_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow g_{\mu\nu}$$

$$X_1^{\text{Ab}}(q, r, p) = \frac{1}{2} [J(r) + J(q)]$$

$$X_2^{\text{Ab}}(q, r, p) = \frac{1}{2} [J(q) - J(r)]$$

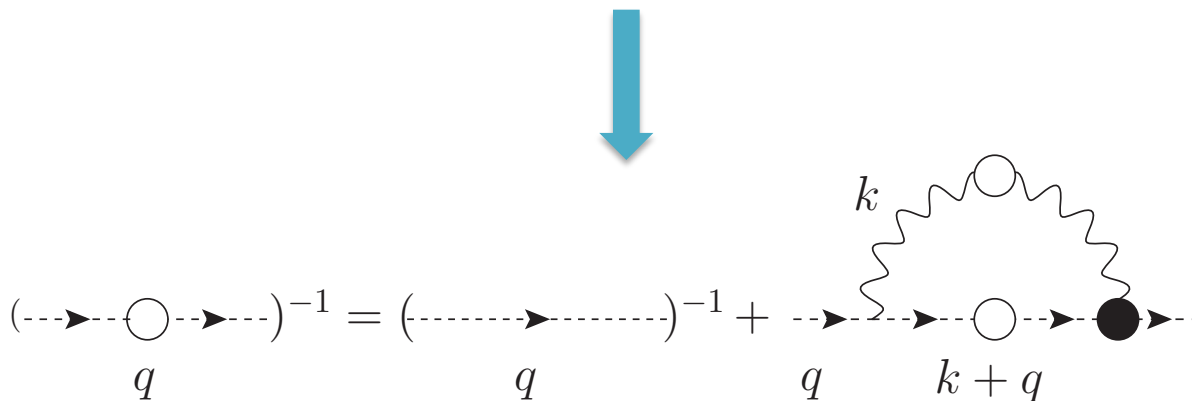
$$X_3^{\text{Ab}}(q, r, p) = \frac{[J(q) - J(r)]}{q^2 - r^2},$$

$$X_{10}^{\text{Ab}}(q, r, p) = 0$$

Collecting the ingredients of the ghost sector

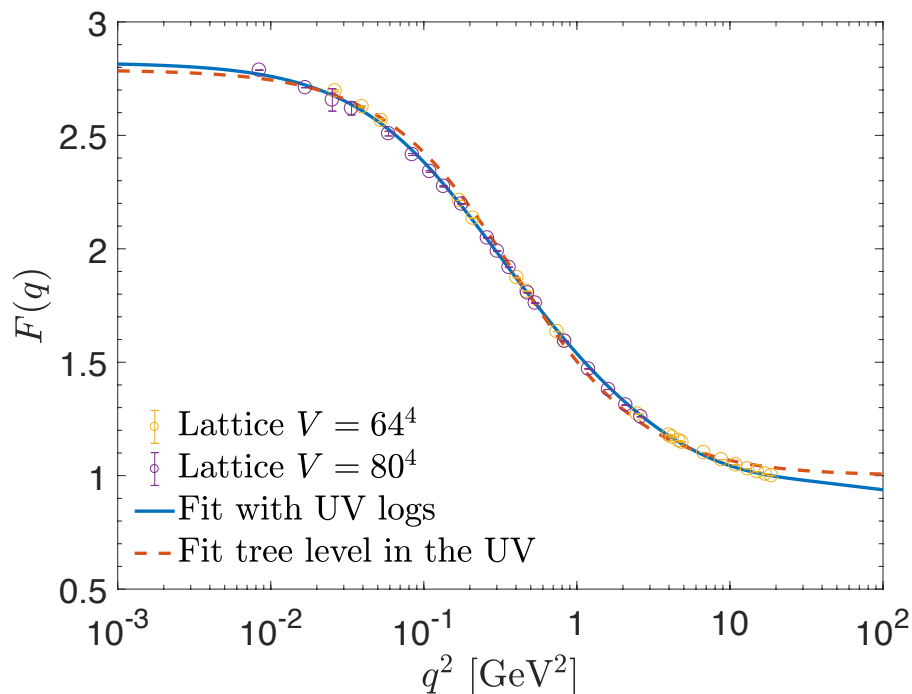
1 $\left[F(q^2) \right]$

From lattice simulations and the SDE of the ghost propagator



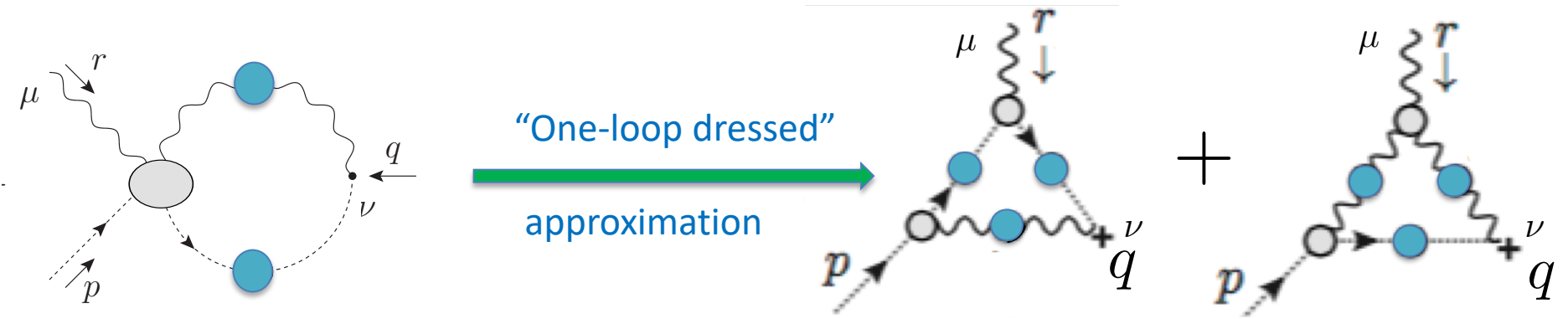
The diagrammatic equation shows the ghost propagator with a ghost loop. On the left, a dashed line with a circle and momentum q is raised to the power of -1. This is equal to the sum of two terms: a tree-level propagator (dashed line with momentum q) raised to the power of -1, and a loop diagram. The loop diagram consists of a dashed line with momentum q entering a circle, which is connected to another circle with momentum k and a ghost loop (wavy line) connecting the two circles. The loop then connects to a black circle with momentum $k+q$, which is also connected to a dashed line with momentum $k+q$.

$$\left(\text{---} \circ \text{---} \right)^{-1} = \left(\text{---} \right)^{-1} + \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \circ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \end{array} \text{---}$$



The ghost-gluon kernel

● $\{A_1, A_3, A_4\}$ computed from the SDE of the ghost-gluon kernel



(from previous steps) \longrightarrow *Exact constraint*

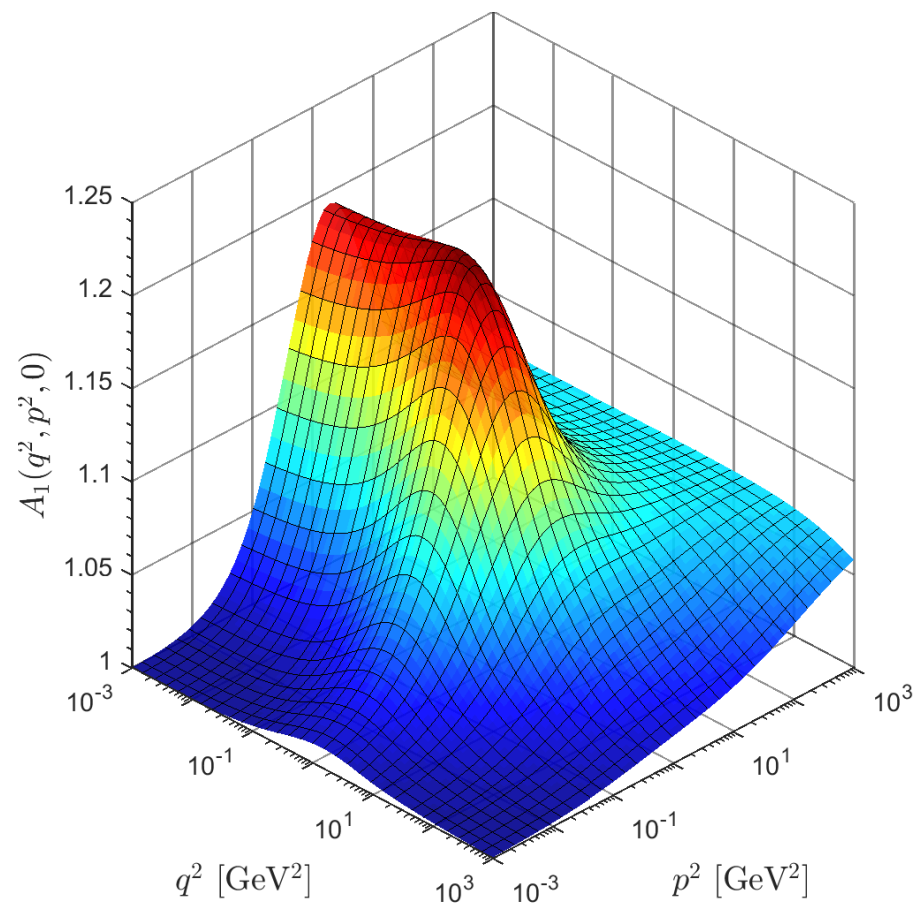
$$\mathcal{R}(q^2, p^2, r^2) = \frac{F(r)[A_1(q, r, p) + p^2 A_3(q, r, p) + (q \cdot p)A_4(q, r, p)]}{F(p)[A_1(q, p, r) + r^2 A_3(q, p, r) + (q \cdot r)A_4(q, p, r)]}$$

$$\mathcal{R}(q^2, p^2, r^2) = 1$$

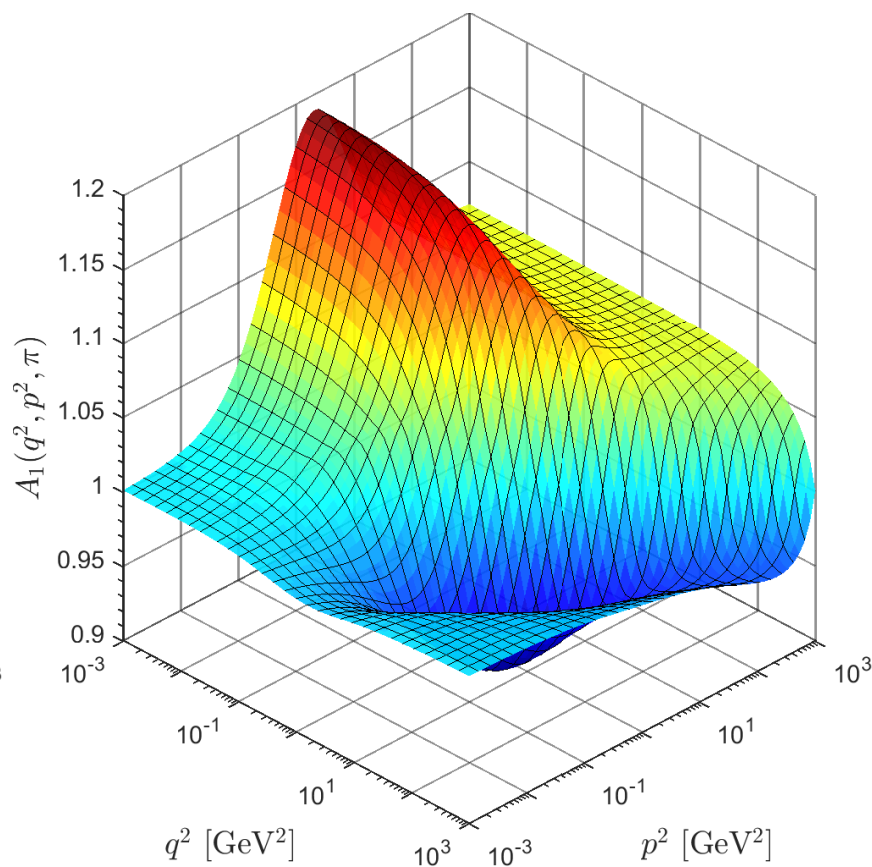
Non-trivial check of the truncation

$$H_{\nu\mu}(q, p, r) = g_{\mu\nu} A_1 + q_\mu q_\nu A_2 + r_\mu r_\nu A_3 + q_\mu r_\nu A_4 + r_\mu q_\nu A_5$$

$\theta = 0$

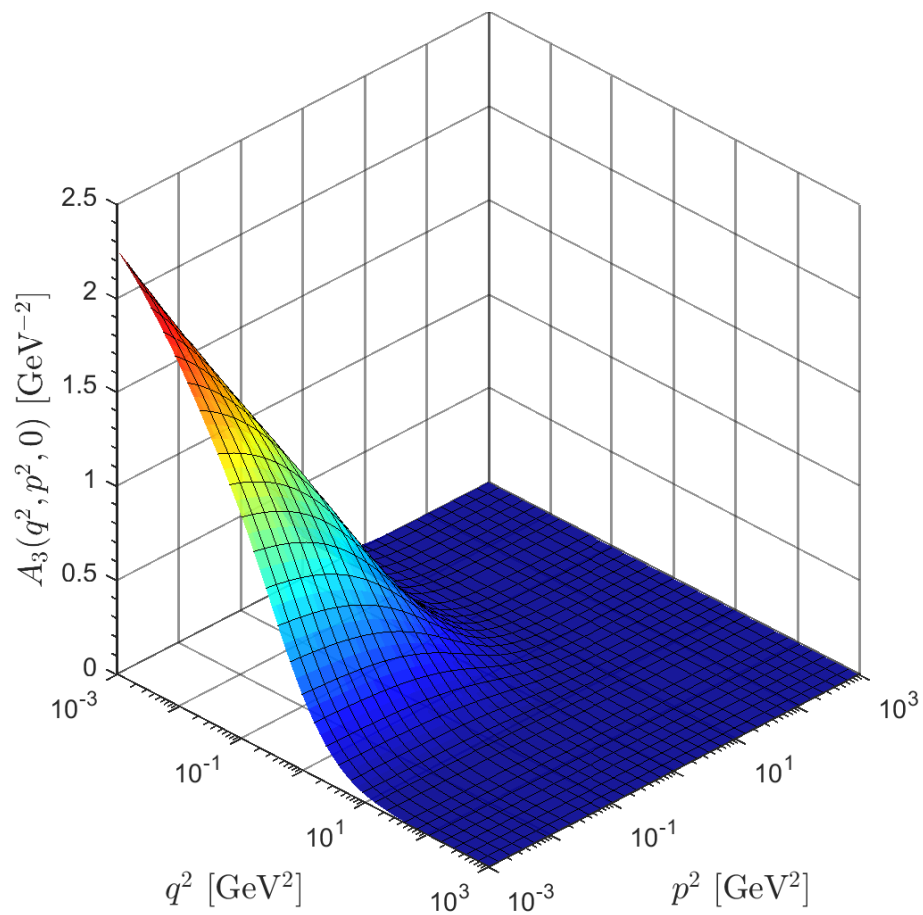


$\theta = \pi$

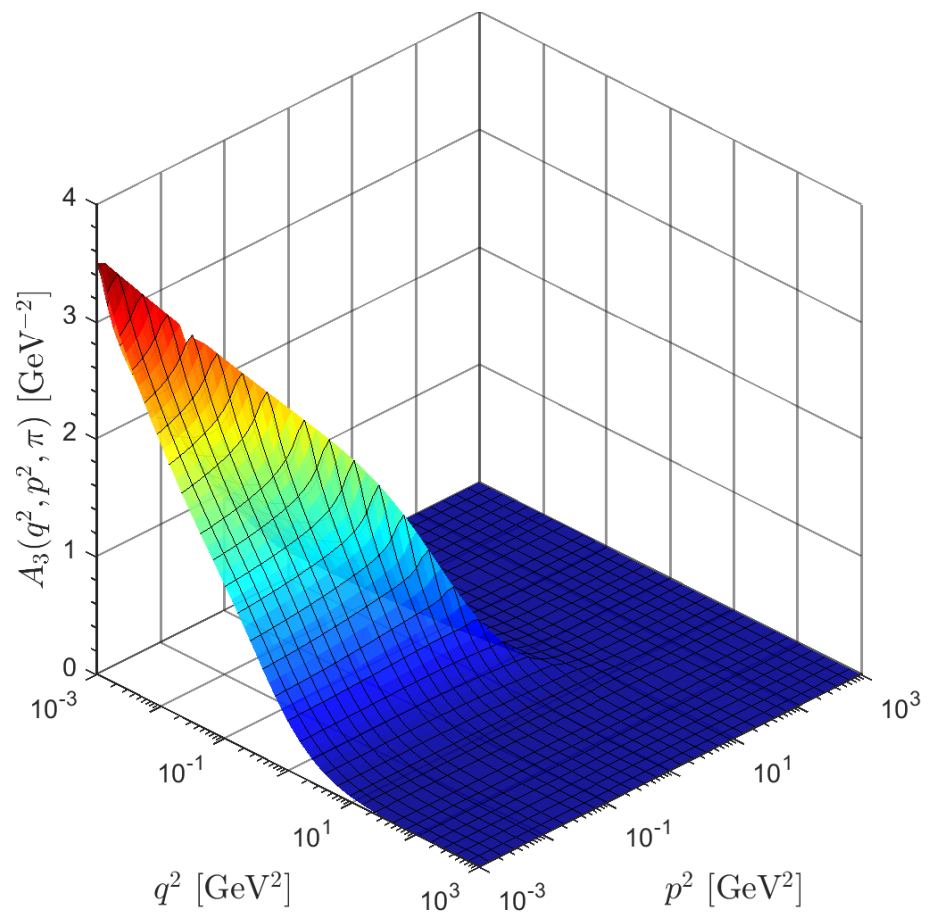


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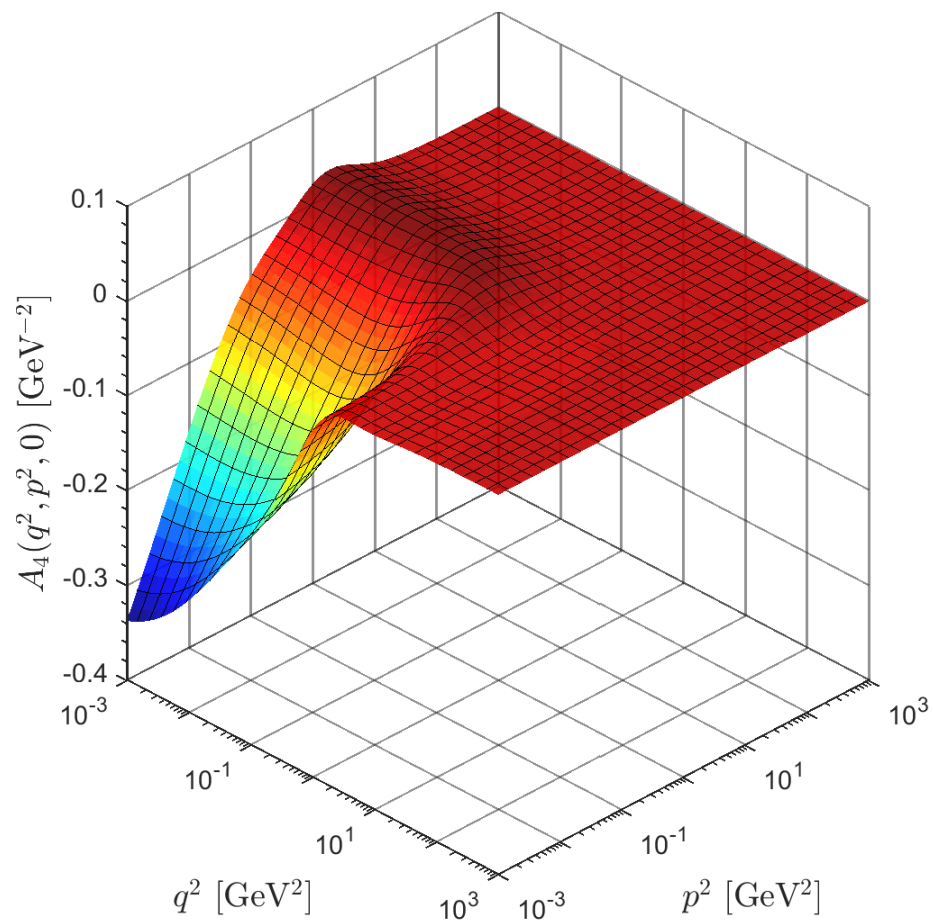


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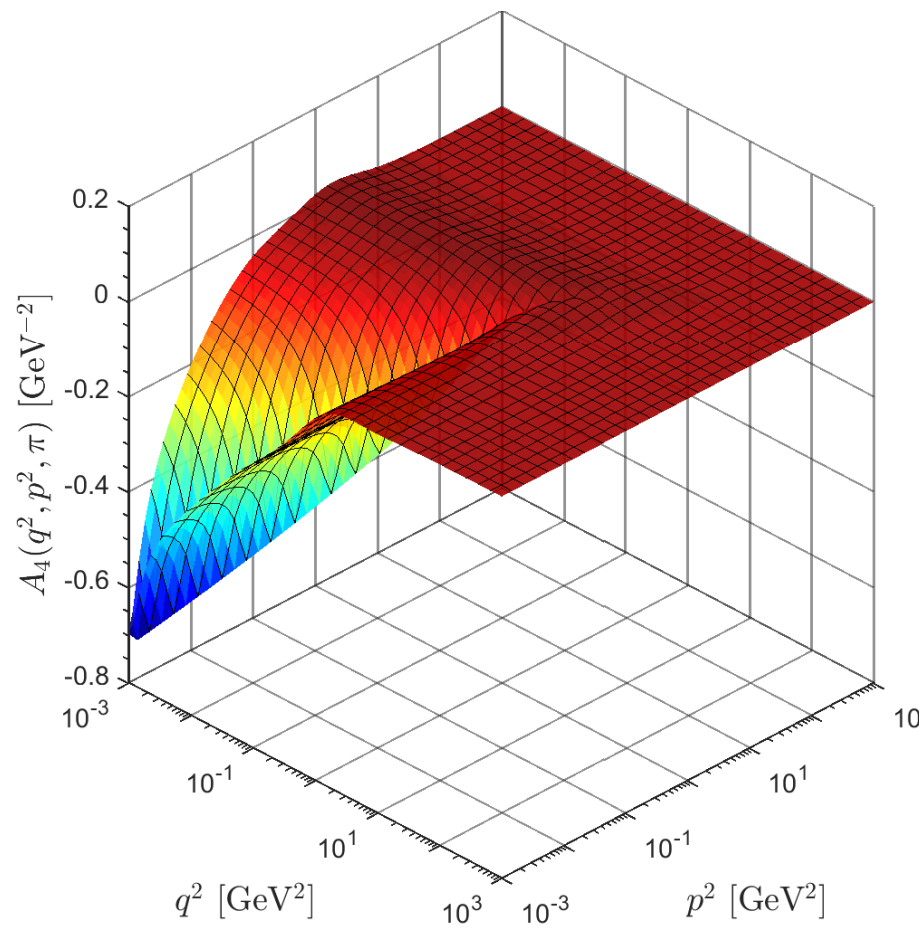


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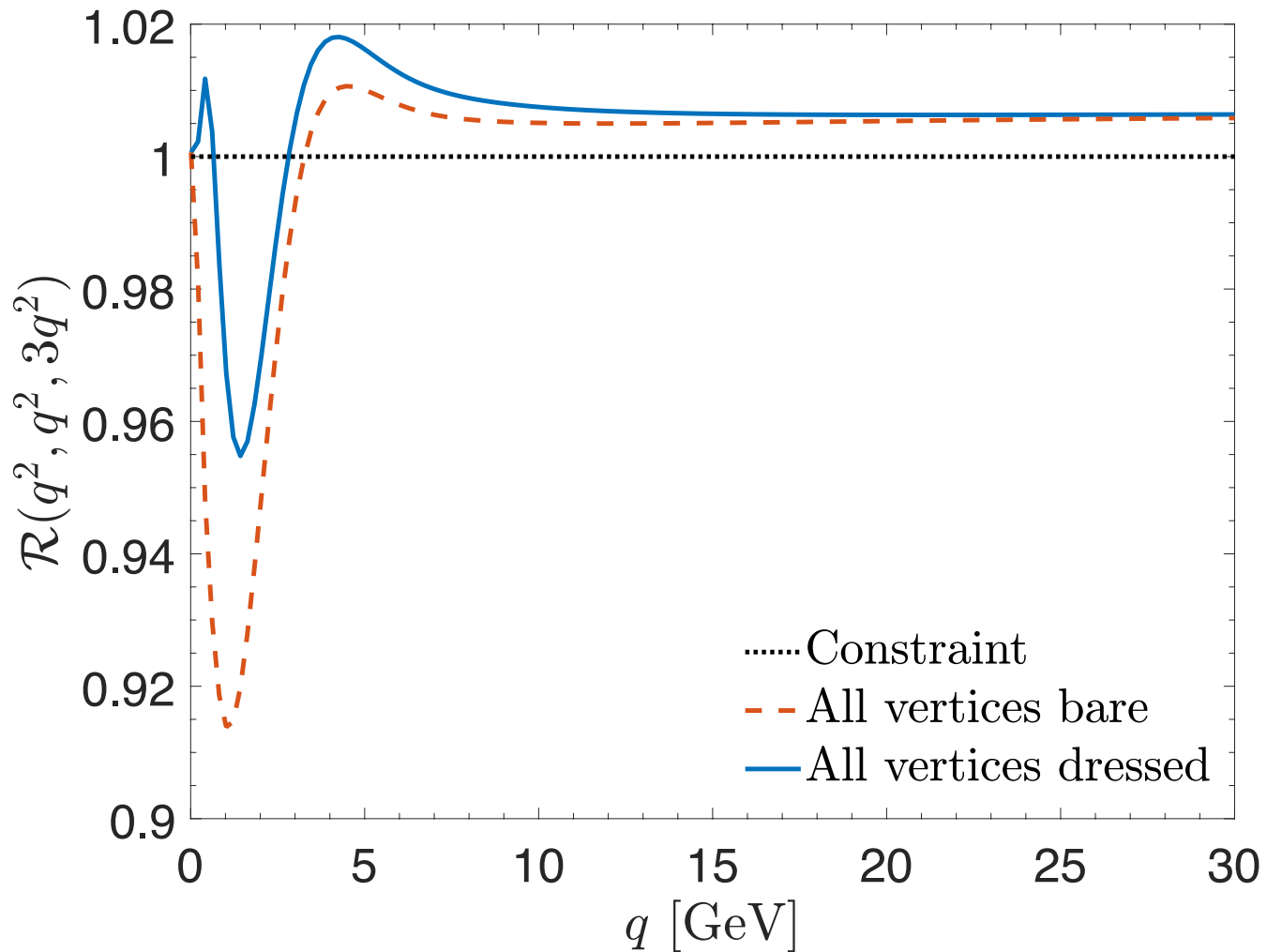


$\theta = \pi$



What about the constraint ?

Computed in the kinematic configuration where $p^2 = q^2$ and $r^2 = 3q^2$

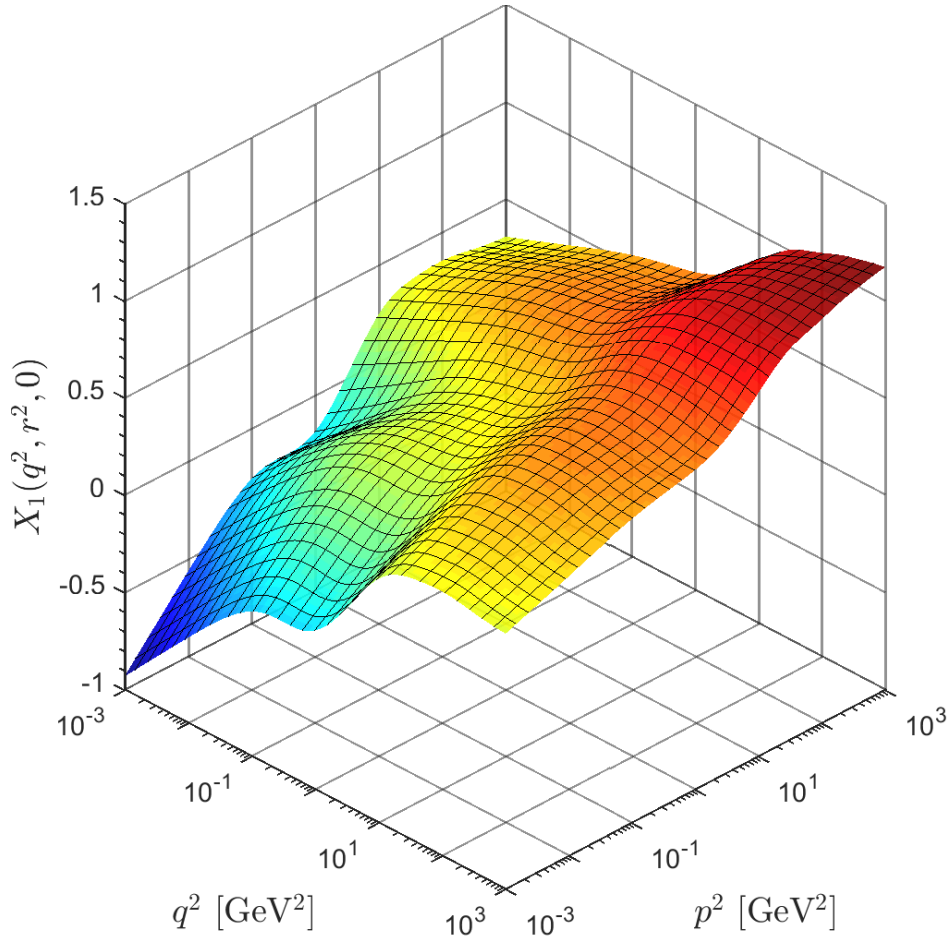


Looks rather "controlled"...

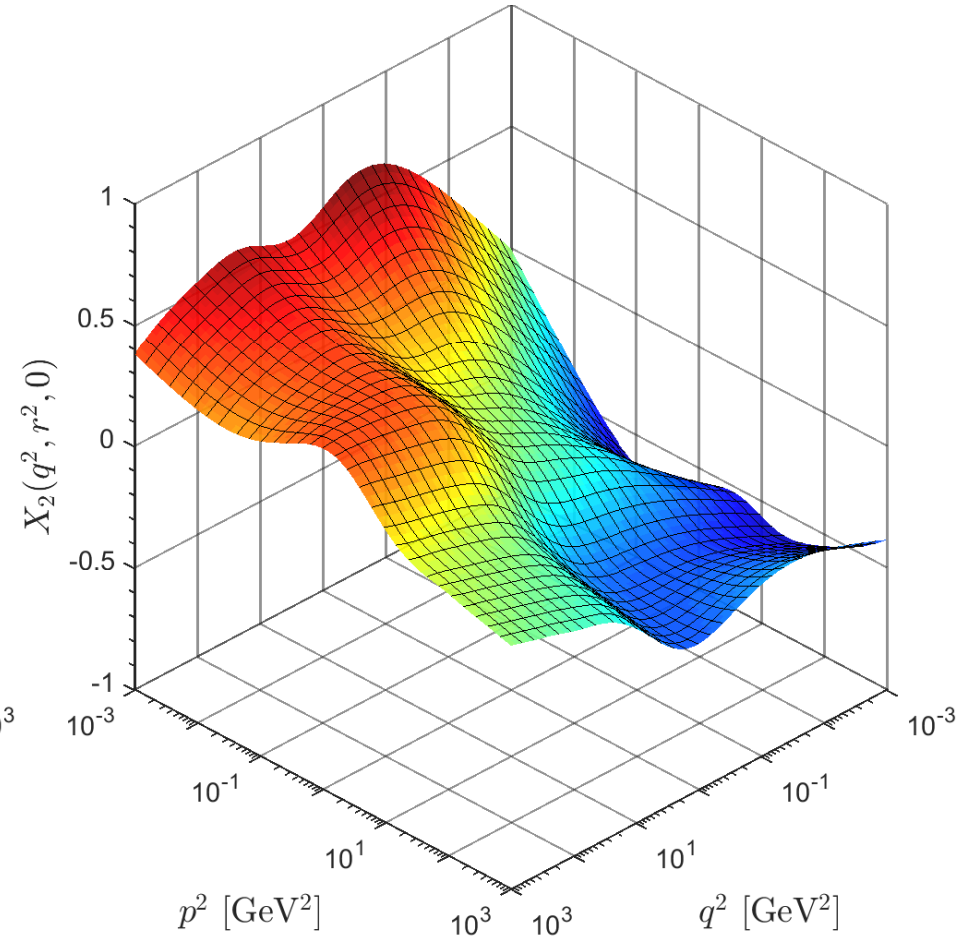
*Numerical results
for the three gluon vertex*

✓ The angular dependence is weak and barely visible in the 3D plots

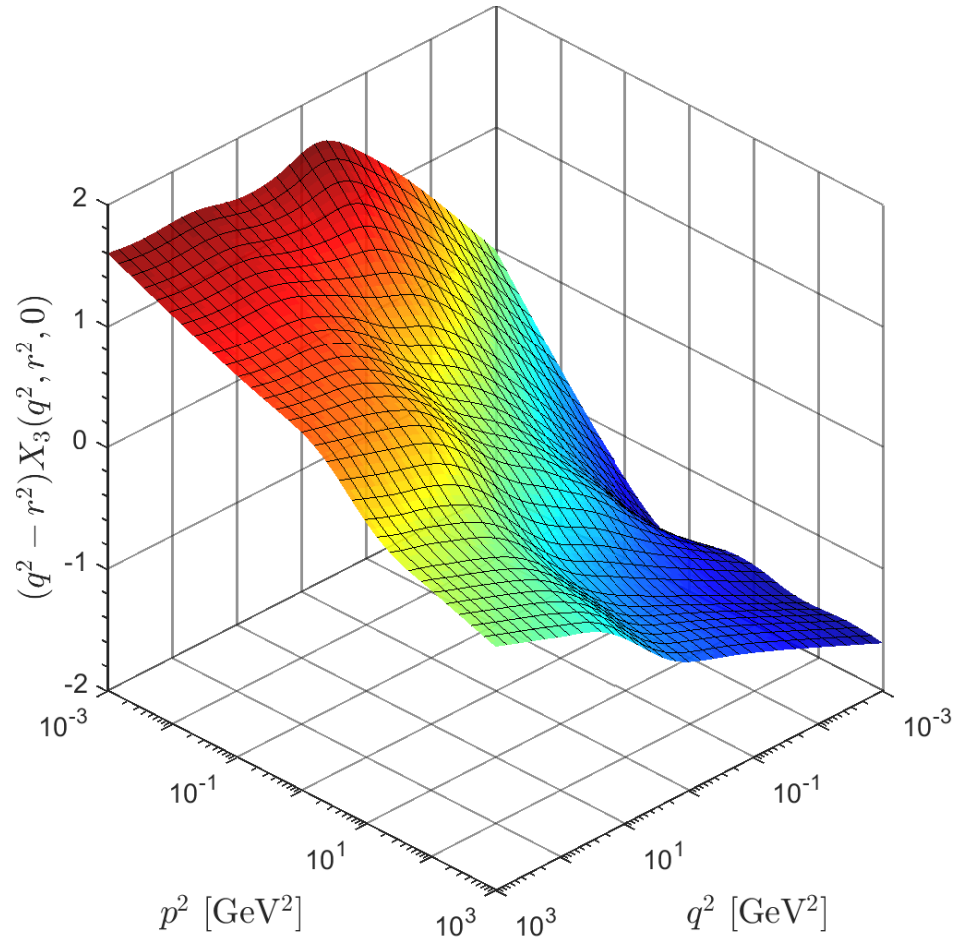
$$X_1(q^2, r^2, \theta = 0^\circ)$$



$$X_2(q^2, r^2, \theta = 0^\circ)$$



$$(q^2 - r^2)X_3(q^2, r^2, \theta = 0^\circ)$$



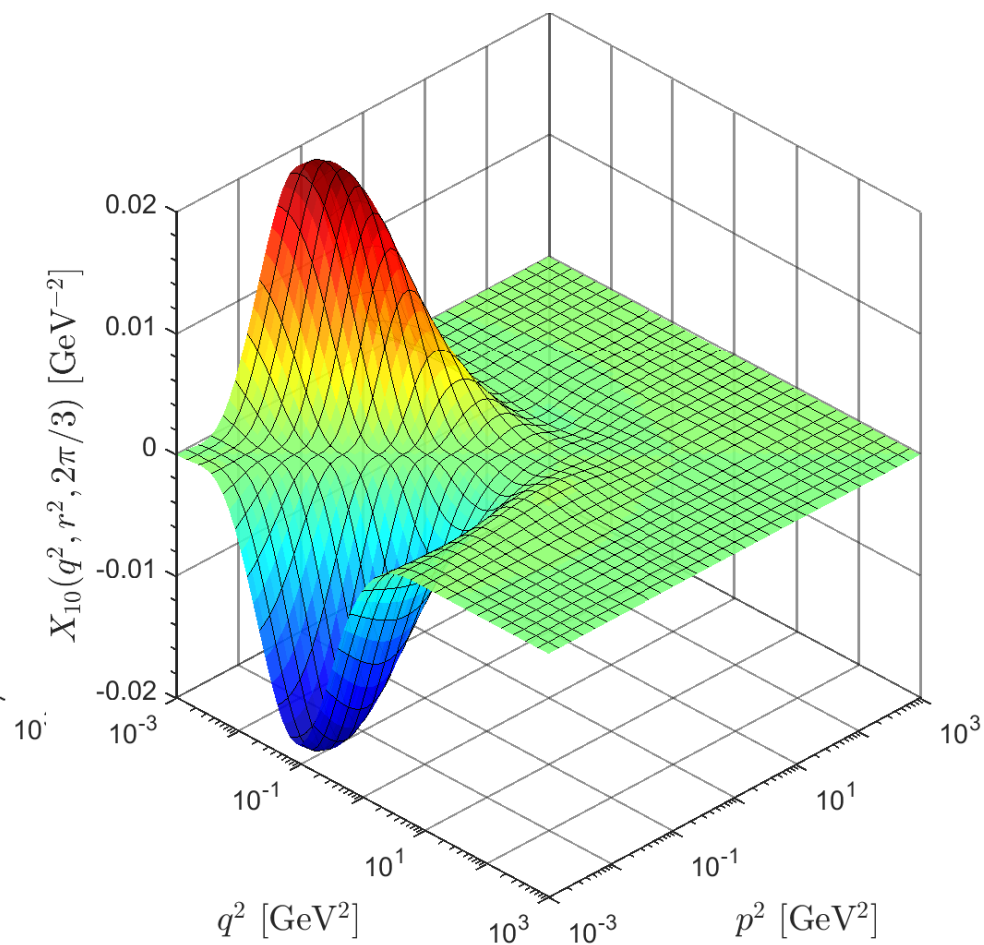
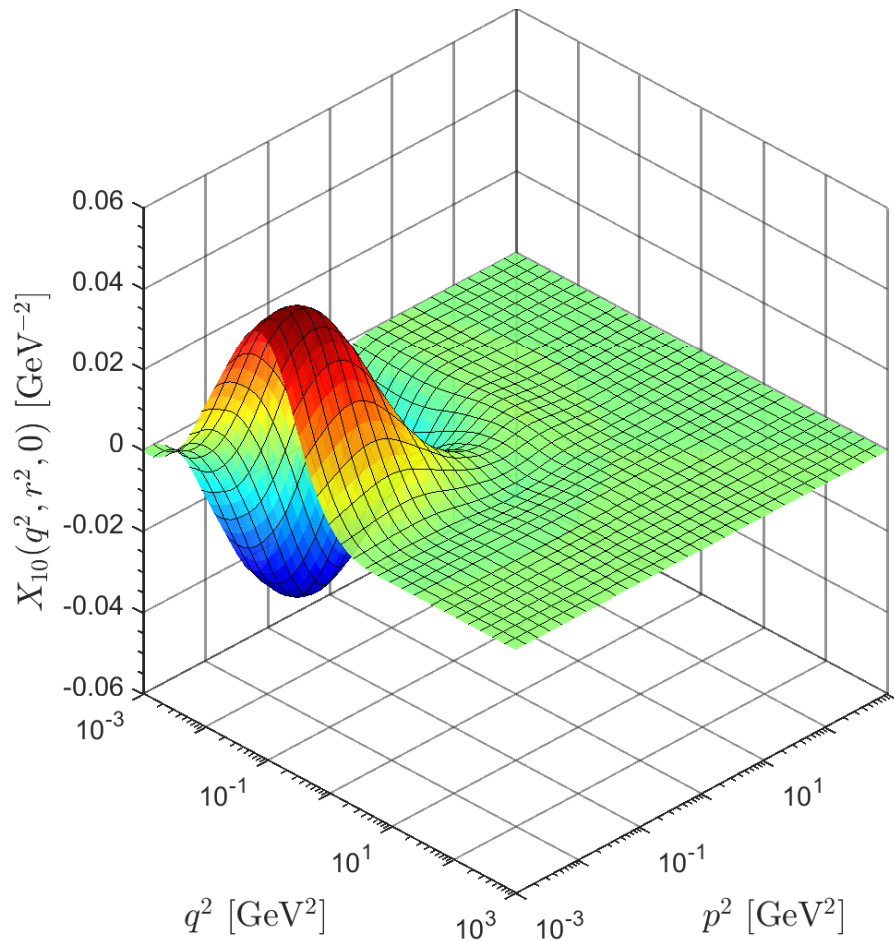
- ✓ Very suppressed
- ✓ Display the strong angular dependence
- ✓ Recovers the perturbative behavior
- ✓ X_{10} vanishes in both tree and one loop levels

J. S. Ball and T. W. Chiu, Phys. Rev. D 22, 2550 (1980)

A. I. Davydychev, P. Osland, O. V. Tarasov, Phys. Rev. D 54, 4087 (1996)

$$X_{10}(q^2, r^2, \theta = 0^\circ)$$

$$X_{10}(q^2, r^2, \theta = 120^\circ)$$



Comparison with the lattice

$$\begin{aligned} L(q, p, r) &= \frac{W_{\alpha'\mu'\nu'}(q, r, p) P^{\alpha\alpha'}(q) P^{\mu\mu'}(r) P^{\nu\nu'}(p) \mathbb{\Gamma}_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p)}{W^{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, p, r) W_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, p, r)} \\ &= \frac{W_{\alpha'\mu'\nu'}(q, r, p) P^{\alpha\alpha'}(q) P^{\mu\mu'}(r) P^{\nu\nu'}(p) [\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{np}}(q, r, p) + \Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{p}}(q, r, p)]}{W^{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p) W_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, p, r)} \end{aligned}$$

But, the pole term of the vertex is
longitudinally coupled

$$P^{\alpha\alpha'}(q) P^{\mu\mu'}(r) P^{\nu\nu'}(p) \Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\mathbf{p}}(q, r, p) = 0$$

Comparison with the lattice

$$L(q, p, r) = \frac{W_{\alpha'\mu'\nu'}(q, r, p) P^{\alpha\alpha'}(q) P^{\mu\mu'}(r) P^{\nu\nu'}(p) \Pi_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p)}{W^{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, p, r) W_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, p, r)}$$
$$= \frac{W_{\alpha'\mu'\nu'}(q, r, p) P^{\alpha\alpha'}(q) P^{\mu\mu'}(r) P^{\nu\nu'}(p) [\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\text{np}}(q, r, p) + \cancel{\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\text{p}}(q, r, p)}^0]}{W^{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p) W_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, p, r)}$$

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$L(q, p, r)$ depends only on the form factors of $\Gamma_{\alpha\mu\nu}^{\text{np}}$

Comparison with the lattice

- In the totally symmetric configuration:

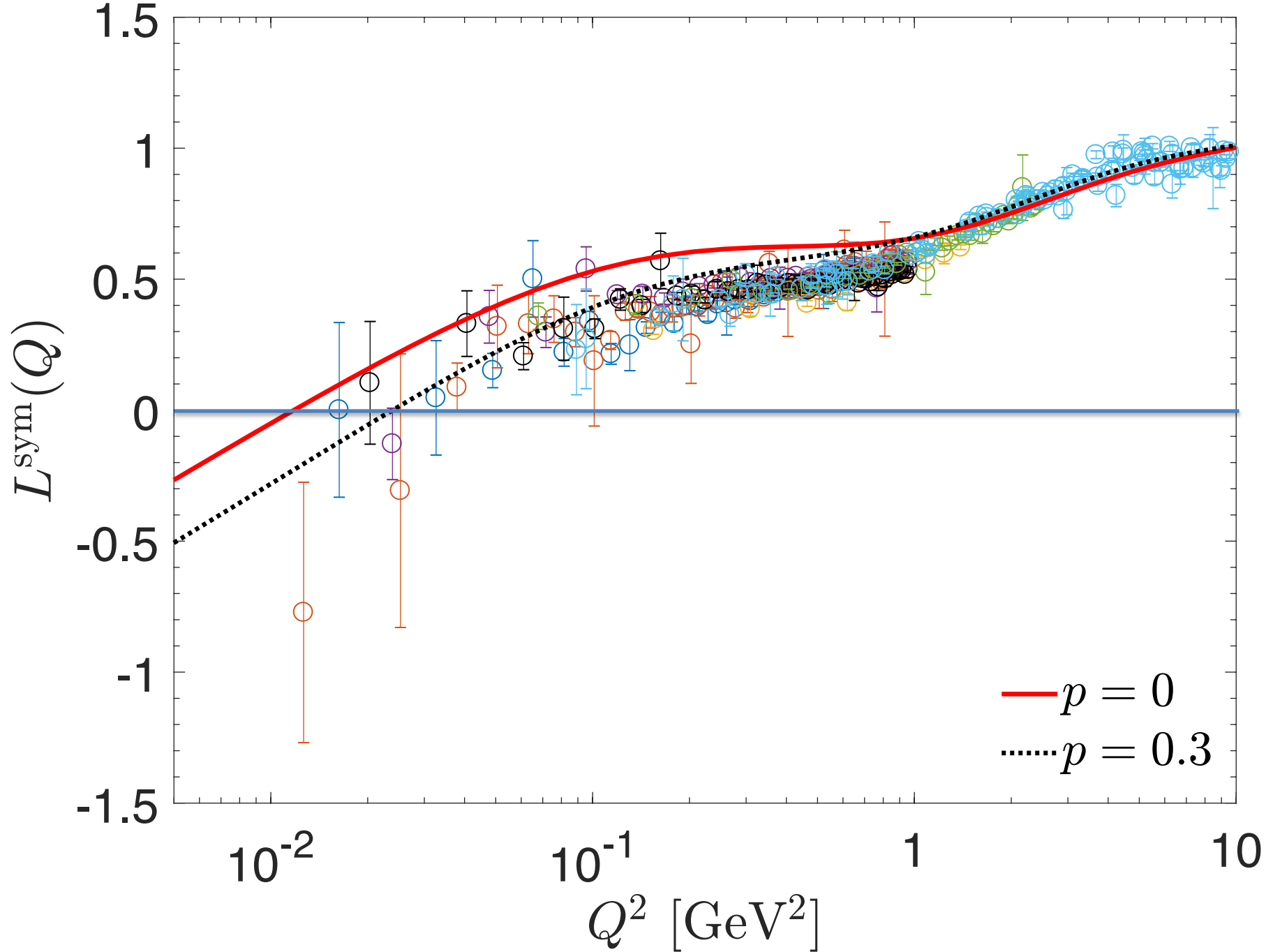
$$q^2 = p^2 = r^2 = Q^2 \quad q \cdot p = q \cdot r = p \cdot r = -\frac{1}{2}Q^2$$

- Lattice has access to the following combination of form factors

$$L^{sym}(Q) = \frac{1}{2} [2X_1(Q) - Q^2 X_3(Q)] + \frac{Q^2}{4} [Q^2 Y_1(Q) + 2Y_4(Q)]$$

- **Our approach does *not* determine the transverse form factors**

We will set $Y_i(Q) = 0$



What if we had applied the Ball-Chiu procedure **naively** ?

$$q^\alpha \Pi_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p) = F(q^2) \left[\Delta^{-1}(p^2) P_\nu^\alpha(p) H_{\alpha\mu}(p, q, r) - \Delta^{-1}(r^2) P_\mu^\alpha(r) H_{\alpha\nu}(r, q, p) \right]$$

Do **not** set $\Delta^{-1}(q^2) = q^2 J(q^2) + m^2(q^2)$

Instead, interpret Ball-Chiu **literally**

$$\Delta^{-1}(q^2) = q^2 J_{\text{BC}}(q^2) \quad \longrightarrow \quad J_{\text{BC}}(q^2) = \frac{\Delta^{-1}(q^2)}{q^2}$$

But if $\Delta^{-1}(0) = m^2(0)$

$\longrightarrow J_{\text{BC}}(0) \rightarrow \infty$



$\Pi_{\alpha\mu\nu}(q, r, p)$ has massless poles

but

of the wrong kind !

