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# D(t) form factor of the neutron in the classical model and the comparison to the proton.

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# Motivation

- Calculate hadronic D-term using classical model
- $D(t)$  divergent for  $t \rightarrow 0$  in Proton (QED effect for charged particles)
- $D(t)$  of Proton comparable to Neutron in the experimentally measurable t-range
- Comparing results for EMT of Proton and Neutron
- Summary

# Definition of EMT form factor for a nucleon

$$\langle p' | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^a | p \rangle = \bar{u} \left[ \frac{\gamma_\mu P_\nu + \gamma_\nu P_\mu}{2} \mathbf{A}^a(\mathbf{t}) + \frac{i(\sigma_{\mu\rho} P_\nu + \sigma_{\nu\rho} P_\mu) \Delta^\rho}{2m} \mathbf{B}^a(\mathbf{t}) + \frac{\Delta_\mu \Delta_\nu + g_{\mu\nu} \Delta^2}{4m} \mathbf{D}^a(\mathbf{t}) + m \bar{\mathbf{c}}^a(\mathbf{t}) g_{\mu\nu} \right] u e^{iqx}$$

$$t = q^2 = \Delta^2, \quad P = \frac{1}{2}(p' + p), \quad \Delta = (p' - p), \quad \partial^\mu \hat{T}_{\mu\nu} = 0, \quad \hat{T}_{\mu\nu} = \sum_q \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^q + \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^g$$

- $\sum_a A^a(t), \sum_a B^a(t), \sum_a D^a(t), \sum_a \bar{c}^a(t) \rightarrow$  renormalization scale independent
- $\sum_a \bar{A}^a(0) = 1, \sum_a B^a(0) = 0, \sum_a \bar{c}^a(t) = 0 \quad \mathbf{A}^a(\mathbf{t}) + \mathbf{B}^a(\mathbf{t}) = 2 \mathbf{J}^a(\mathbf{t}), \quad (\text{X. Ji, PRL 78 (1997) 610})$
- Constraints:
  - mass**  $\leftrightarrow \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{0}) = 1$  (*i.e. quarks and gluons carry 100% of nucleon momentum*)
  - spin**  $\leftrightarrow \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{0}) = 0 \leftrightarrow J(0) = \frac{1}{2}$  (*i.e. quarks and gluons carry 100% of nucleon spin*)
  - D-term**  $\leftrightarrow \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{0}) \equiv D \leftrightarrow$  not fixed by spacetime symmetries (*Polyakov, Weiss PRD 60:114017, 1999*)

# Interpretation of EMT

- In Breit frame where  $\Delta^\mu = (0, \vec{\Delta})$  defines the static EMT

$$T^{\mu\nu}(\vec{r}) = \int \frac{d^3\vec{\Delta}}{(2\pi)^3 2E} \langle p' | \hat{T}^{\mu\nu} | p \rangle e^{-i\vec{\Delta}\cdot\vec{r}}$$

- Components of the static EMT (same as in classical theory):
  - $T^{00}$   $\rightarrow$  *energy density*
  - $T^{0i}$   $\rightarrow$  *momentum density*
  - $T^{i0}$   $\rightarrow$  *energy flux*
  - $T^{ij}$   $\rightarrow$  **stress tensor**

(M.V. Polyakov, PLB 555 (2003) 57-62)

## Interpretation of EMT (cont'd)

- $\int T^{00}(\vec{r})d^3(r) = M$  (*mass of particle*)
  - $\hat{T}^{ij}(\vec{r}) = s(r) \left( \frac{r^i r^j}{r^2} - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} \right) + p(r) \delta_{ij}$  (*stress tensor*)  
 $s(r) \rightarrow$  *shear distribution*  
 $p(r) \rightarrow$  *pressure distribution*
  - $D = D_p = D_s \rightarrow$  related to stress tensor
  - $D_p = m \int d^3r r^2 p(r)$
  - $D_s = -\frac{4}{15}m \int d^3r r^2 s(r)$
- $\left. \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \quad \leftarrow$  Important!! Will come back to this

# Illustration: Pressure and Shear Forces

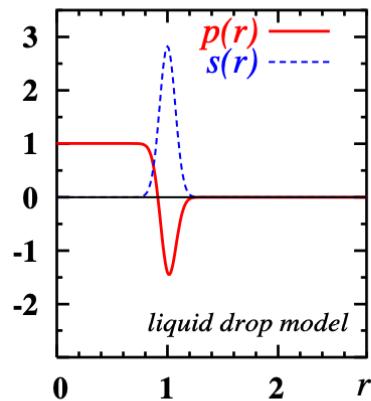


Figure 3. The pressure and shear forces of nuclei (in units of  $p_0$ ) as functions of  $r$  (in units of nuclear radius  $R_A$ ) in the liquid drop model.

$$p(r) = p_0 \theta(r - R) - \frac{p_0 R}{3} \delta(r - R), \quad s(r) = \gamma \delta(r - R)$$
$$p_0 = \frac{2\gamma}{R} \rightarrow \text{Kelvin relation}$$



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# Why a classical model?

- Since the discovery of electron in 1897 people have tried to develop classical models of a charged particle.
- First consistent relativistic model of an extended charged particle ([Bialynicki-Birula PLA 182:346-352, 1993](#)).
- All previous model studies of hadronic D-terms included only short-range forces (em forces are “negligible” in hardons).
- Only one model was studied using hadronic short-range forces and the Coulomb long-range force ([Varma, Schweitzer PRD 102, 014047 \(2020\)](#) ).
- Classical model reproduces QED for  $D(t)$ ,  $t \rightarrow 0$  ([Metz et al PLB 820 \(2021\)](#)).

## New study

- Construct classical model of neutron and calculate D-term.

# Classical Model of the Proton

- Used to study EMT form factors of proton with long range EM forces.
- D-term becomes positive and divergent due to the long-range force for  $t \rightarrow 0$  (Varma, Schweitzer PRD 102, 014047 (2020)).
- Divergence of  $D(t)$  visible at very small  $t$  and agrees with QED.
- Divergence due to QED effects for charged particles already known in literature (Kubis, Meissner NPA 671, 332 (2000) ; Donoghue et al PLB 529, 132 (2002)).

# Classical Model

- Dust: non-interacting pressure-less distribution
- Dust particles described by density normalized as  $\int_0^\infty d^3r \rho(r) = 1$
- Dust bound by interplay of classical fields:  $\phi, V^\mu, A^\mu$
- Field equations in static case where  $V^\mu = (V^0, \vec{0})$ ,  $A^\mu = (A^0, \vec{0})$ :

$$(-\Delta + m_V^2)V_0 = g_v \rho$$

$$(-\Delta + m_s^2)\phi = g_s \rho$$

$$-\Delta A_0 = e\rho$$

$$\rho \mathbf{F} \equiv -\rho \nabla(eA_0 - g_s\phi + g_vV_0) = 0 \quad (\text{equilibrium condition})$$

$$\frac{g_s^2}{\hbar c} = 91.64 \quad \frac{g_V^2}{\hbar c} = 136.2 \quad \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\hbar c} = \frac{1}{137} \quad m_S c^2 = 550 \text{ MeV}, \quad m_V c^2 = 783 \text{ MeV}$$

parameters from nuclear models (see [Bialynicki-Birula \(1993\)](#) for details)

## Proton Model: Static solution to the classical equations

$r \leq R$  region:

- $\rho(r) = f_+(r) - f_-(r)$
- $eA_0(r) = e^2 \left( \frac{f_+(r)}{k_+^2} - \frac{f_-(r)}{k_-^2} \right) + 2E_B$
- $g_s\phi(r) = g_s^2 \left( \frac{f_+(r)}{k_+^2 + m_s^2} - \frac{f_-(r)}{k_-^2 + m_s^2} \right)$
- $g_\nu V_0(r) = g_\nu^2 \left( \frac{f_+(r)}{k_+^2 + m_\nu^2} - \frac{f_-(r)}{k_-^2 + m_\nu^2} \right)$
- $f_\pm(r) = \frac{d_\pm}{4\pi} \frac{\sin(k_\pm r)}{r}, k_\pm = \frac{B \pm \sqrt{D}}{2Q^2}$
- $B = (g_s^2 - e^2) m_\nu^2 - (g_\nu^2 + e^2) m_s^2$
- $D = B^2 - 4e^2 Q^2 m_s^2 m_\nu^2, Q^2 = e^2 - g_s^2 + g_\nu^2$

$r > R$  region:

- $\rho(r) = 0$
- $eA_0(r) = \frac{e^2}{4\pi r}$
- $g_s\phi(r) = \frac{b_s}{4\pi r} e^{-m_s(r-R)}$
- $g_\nu V_0(r) = \frac{b_\nu}{4\pi r} e^{-m_\nu(r-R)}$

With  $b_\nu, b_s, d_+, d_-, 2E_B, R_p$  fixed from boundary conditions (No free parameters)

(Bialynicki-Birula PLA 182:346-352,1993)

## Neutron Model: Static solution to the classical equations

$r \leq R$  region:

- $\rho(r) = f_+(r) - f_-(r)$
- $eA_0(r) = e^2 \left( \frac{f_+(r)}{k_+^2} - \frac{f_-(r)}{k_-^2} \right) + 2E_B = 0, \mathbf{e} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$
- $g_s \phi(r) = g_s^2 \left( \frac{f_+(r)}{k_+^2 + m_s^2} - \frac{f_-(r)}{k_-^2 + m_s^2} \right)$
- $g_\nu V_0(r) = g_\nu^2 \left( \frac{f_+(r)}{k_+^2 + m_\nu^2} - \frac{f_-(r)}{k_-^2 + m_\nu^2} \right)$
- $f_\pm(r) = \frac{d_\pm}{4\pi} \frac{\sin(k_\pm r)}{r}, k_\pm = \frac{B \pm \sqrt{D}}{2Q^2} \rightarrow (\mathbf{k}_- \rightarrow \mathbf{0}, \text{neutron})$
- $B = (g_s^2 - e^2) m_\nu^2 - (g_\nu^2 + e^2) m_s^2$
- $D = B^2 - 4e^2 Q^2 m_s^2 m_\nu^2, Q^2 = e^2 - g_s^2 + g_\nu^2$

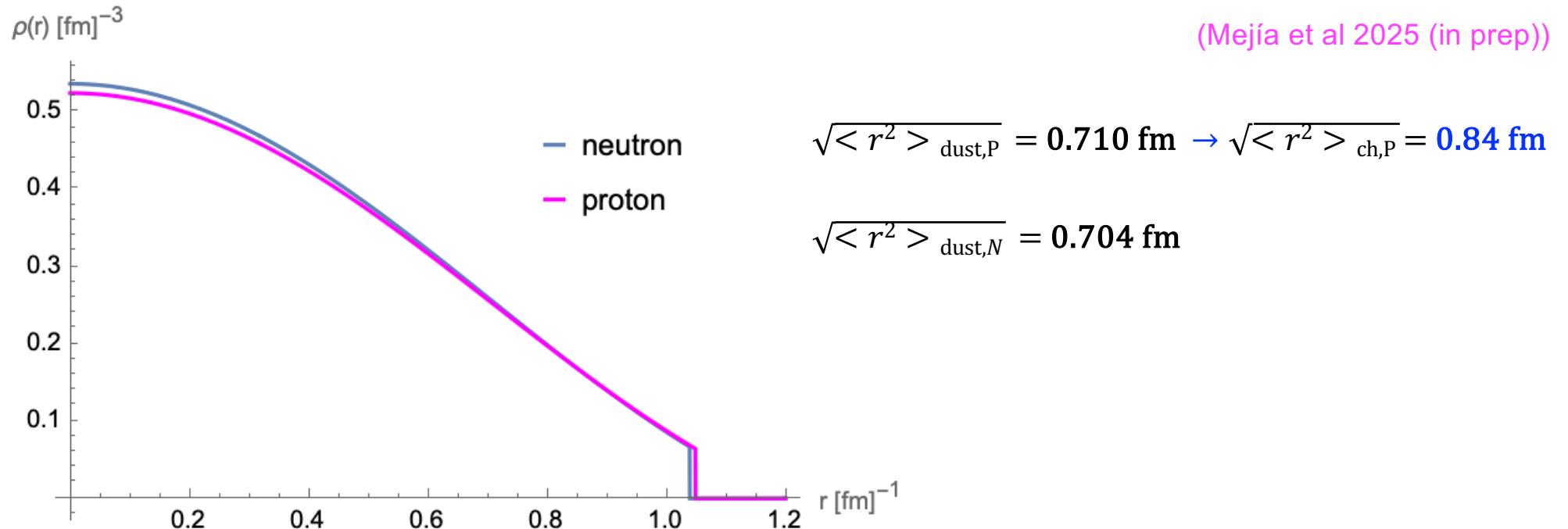
$r > R$  region:

- $\rho(r) = 0$
- $eA_0(r) = \frac{e^2}{4\pi r} = 0, \mathbf{e} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$
- $g_s \phi(r) = \frac{b_s}{4\pi r} e^{-m_s(r-R)}$
- $g_\nu V_0(r) = \frac{b_\nu}{4\pi r} e^{-m_\nu(r-R)}$

With  $b_\nu, b_s, d_+, d_-, 2E_B, R_p$  fixed from boundary conditions (No free parameters)

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# Proton vs. Neutron: A Comparison

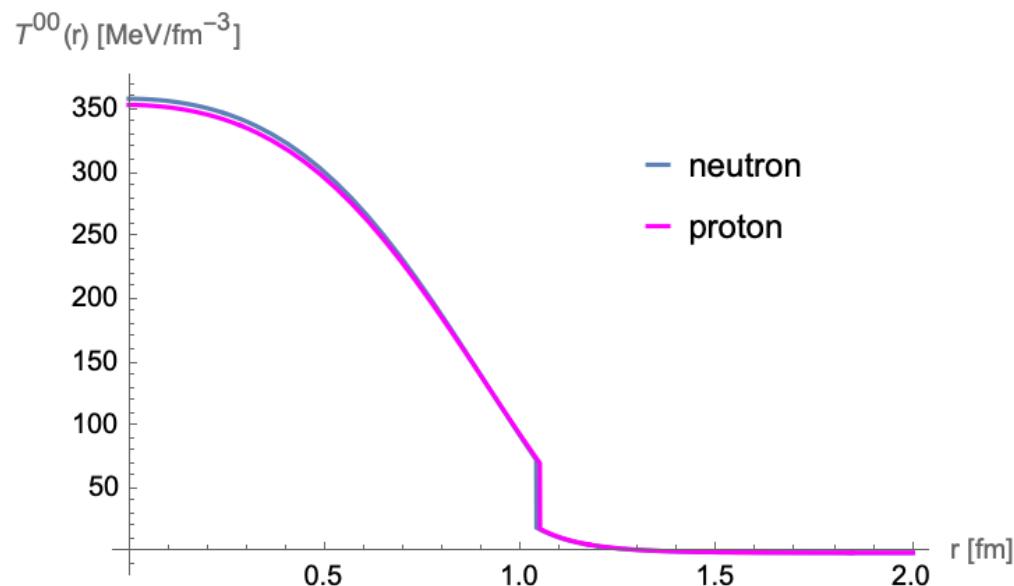


# Energy Density and Mass

(Mejía et al 2025 (in prep))

$$M = \int T^{00}(\vec{r}) d^3(r) = m + E_b$$

$$= 940\text{MeV} - 15.7\text{MeV}$$



Correct value for EM contribution to mass difference between proton and neutron:

$$((M_P c^2 - M_N c^2)_{EM} = 0.95\text{MeV}$$

*Lattice QCD + QED: 1.00(07)(14)MeV*

(Borsanyi et al, Science 347 (2015) 1452)

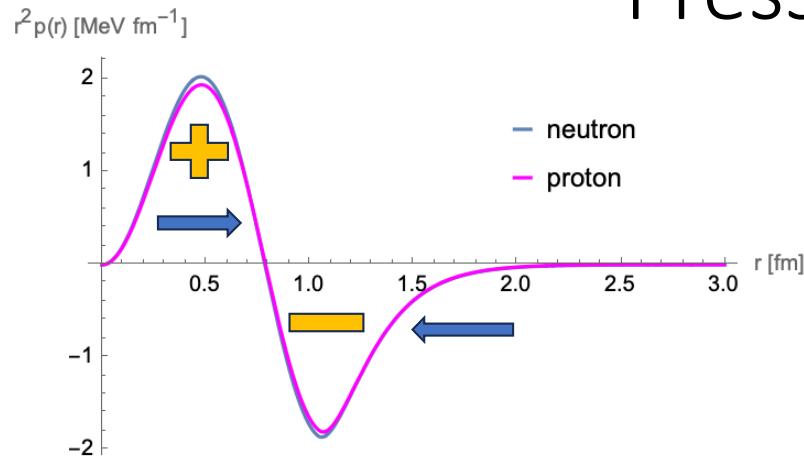
$$(M_N c^2 - M_P c^2)_{nature} = 1.293333236(46)\text{MeV}$$

$\downarrow$  due to  $m_d > m_u$  isospin violation

(Navas et al. (Particle Data Group), PRD 110, 030001 (2024))

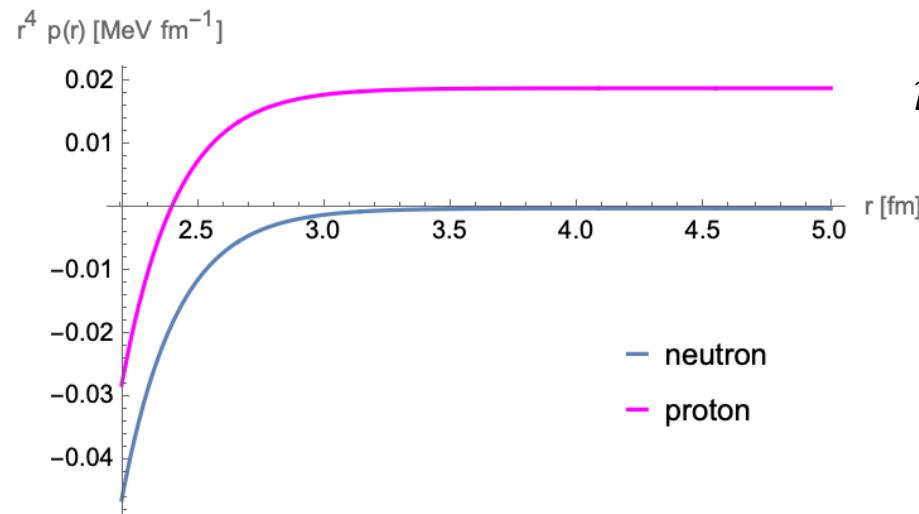
\*No isospin violation in Bialynicki-Birula model\*

# Pressure Distribution



$$\int_0^\infty dr r^2 p(r) = 0$$

(Von Laue Condition, 1911)



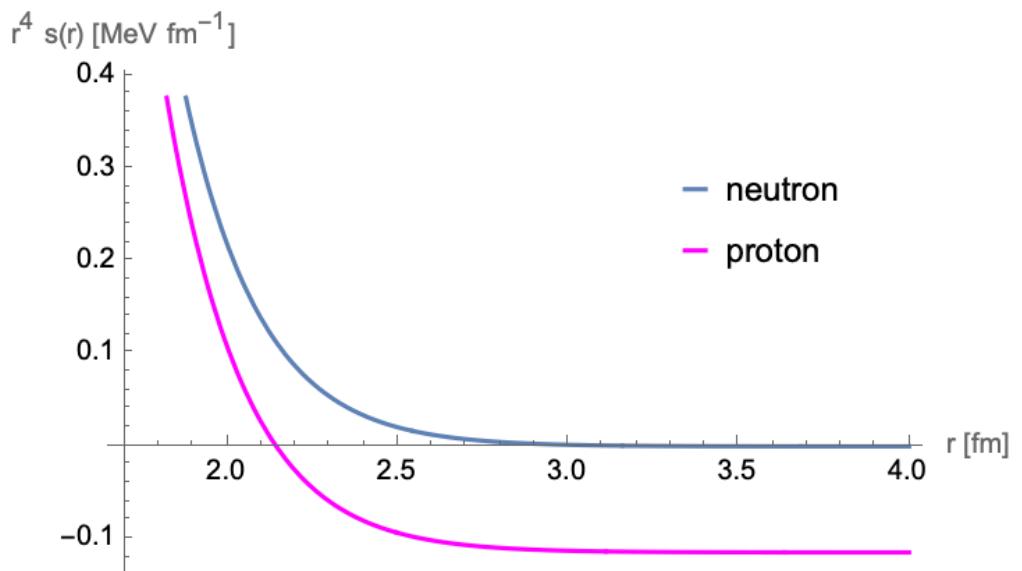
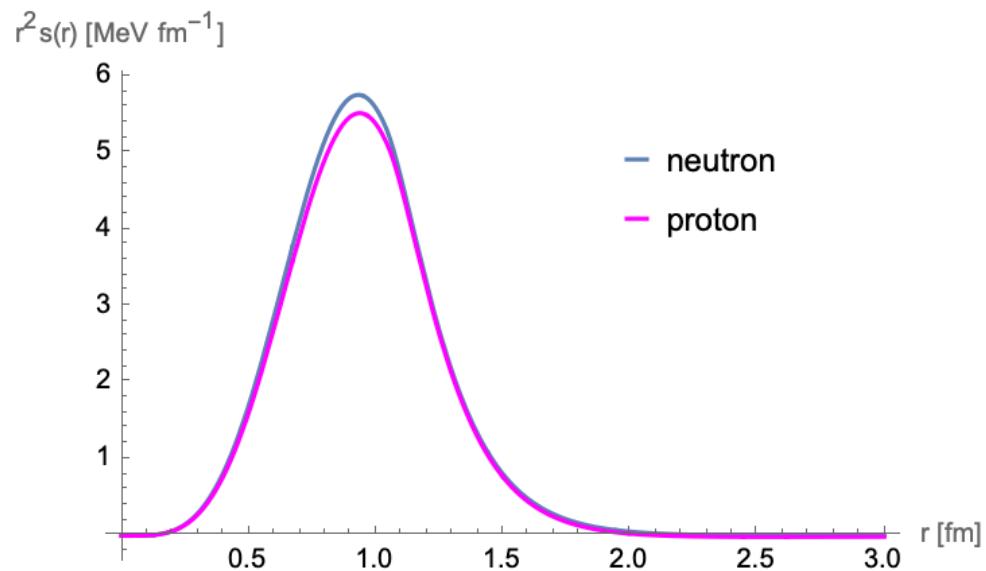
$$p(r) = \frac{1}{6} \frac{\alpha}{4\pi r^4} \text{ at large } r \quad (\text{exact and agrees with QED})$$

$$D_p = M \int d^3r r^4 p(r) \rightarrow +\infty$$

(Mejía et al, 2025 (in prep))

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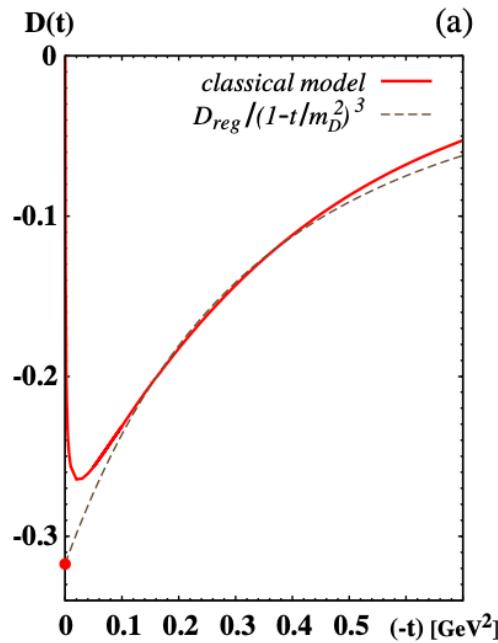
# Shear Force



$$s(r) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\alpha}{r^4} \text{ at large } r, \quad D_s = -\frac{16\pi}{15} M \int dr r^4 s(r) \rightarrow +\infty$$

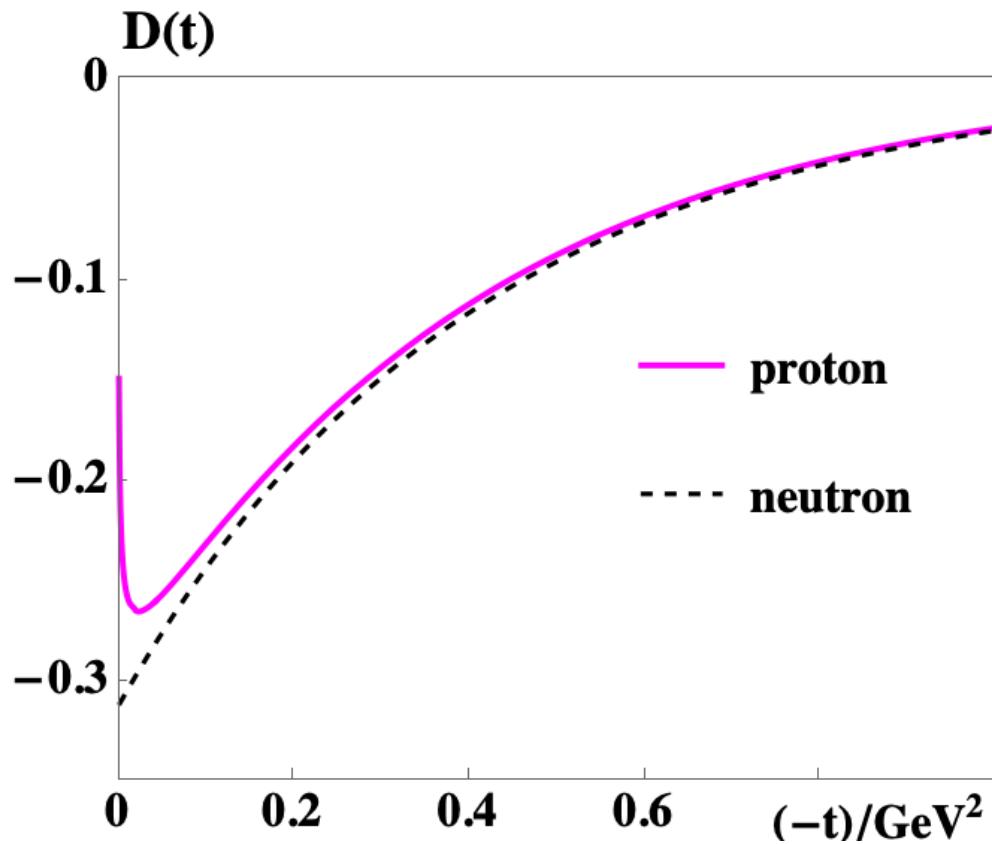
- Proton:  $D_p \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $D_s \rightarrow \infty$  (due to em)
- If Integrals convergent:  $D_p = D_s = D \rightarrow$  always finite and equal  
i.e.  $D(\zeta) = \zeta D_p + (1 - \zeta)D_s =$  always the same for all  $\zeta$
- For proton, exists one value:  $\zeta = \frac{8}{3}$  such that

$$D_{reg,prot} = D(\zeta_{reg}) = M \int d^3r r^2 \frac{4}{9} [6p(r) + s(r)] = -0.317(\hbar c)^2$$



$$D(t)_{exp.,proton} \approx \frac{D_{reg}}{\left(1 - \frac{t}{m_D^2}\right)^3}$$

# Dterm



$$D_{neutron} = -0.312(\hbar c)^2$$

$$D_{reg,proton} = -0.317(\hbar c)^2$$

Regularization = unique way of removing EM tails in  $p(r)$  proposed in Varma, Schweitzer 2020

Is this a reasonable regularization? Yes, because for proton and neutron we get almost same result (meets expectations) for  $|t| > 0.05 \text{ GeV}^2$

(Mejía et al., 2025 (in prep))

# Summary

- Constructed a classical model of the neutron (Mejia et al., 2025 (in prep)).
- Strong forces simulated by classical fields + classical EM field (Bialynicki-Birula, 1993)
- Classical models for both proton and neutron capture particle size and EM-mass difference.
- Proton D-term divergent at (probably) unmeasurably small  $|t|$ .
- Neutron D-term finite, agrees numerically; confirms “reg. method” for  $|t| > 0.05 \text{ GeV}^2$
- In DVCS and other experiments, proton and neutron will appear with nearly the same  $D(t)$  form factor
- Could EIC measure the QED effect at small  $|t|$  for proton?

Thank You!

# Support Slides

$$M_p c^2 + E_B = 940 MeV - 15 MeV \text{ (mass of bound dust)}$$

$$D_s = -\frac{2(n-1)}{n(n+2)} M \int d^n r r^2 s(r), \quad (36)$$

$$D_p = M \int d^n r r^2 p(r), \quad (37)$$

$$D = D_p = D_s$$

Diverge due to  
asymptotic behavior:

$$s(r) = -\frac{\alpha \hbar c}{4\pi r^4} + \dots$$



$$p(r) = \frac{1}{6} \frac{\alpha \hbar c}{4\pi r^4} + \dots$$

regularization method removes the divergences from  $D_p$  and  $D_s$

## Proton Model: Static solution to the classical equations

- $eA_0(r) = e^2 \left( \frac{f_+(r)}{k_+^2} - \frac{f_-(r)}{k_-^2} \right) + 2E_B (= 0, e \rightarrow 0 \text{ neutron})$
- $f_{\pm}(r) = \frac{d_{\pm}}{4\pi} \frac{\sin(k_{\pm}r)}{r}, k_{\pm} = \frac{B \pm \sqrt{D}}{2Q^2} \rightarrow (k_- = 0, \text{neutron})$
- $B = (g_s^2 - e^2) m_v^2 - (g_v^2 + e^2) m_s^2$
- $D = B^2 - 4e^2 Q^2 m_s^2 m_v^2, Q^2 = e^2 - g_s^2 + g_v^2$  Type equation here.

$$\lim_{e \rightarrow 0} eA_0(r) = [e^2 \left( \frac{f_+(r)}{k_+^2} - \frac{f_-(r)}{k_-^2} \right)] + 2E_B$$

$$0 = \lim_{e \rightarrow 0} \left[ -e^2 \frac{f_-(r)}{k_-^2} \right] + 2E_B$$

$$f_-(r) = \frac{d_-}{4\pi} \frac{\sin(k_- r)}{r}$$

Series Expansion

$$k_+ = \frac{B + \sqrt{D}}{2Q^2} = \frac{B + \sqrt{B^2}}{2Q^2} = \frac{B}{Q^2}$$

$$k_- = \frac{B - \sqrt{D}}{2Q^2} = \frac{B - \sqrt{B^2}}{2Q^2} = 0 \rightarrow \text{Indeterminate!}$$

Series Expansion

$$k_-^2 = B - B \sqrt{1 - \frac{4e^2 Q^2 m_v^2 m_s^2}{B^2}}$$

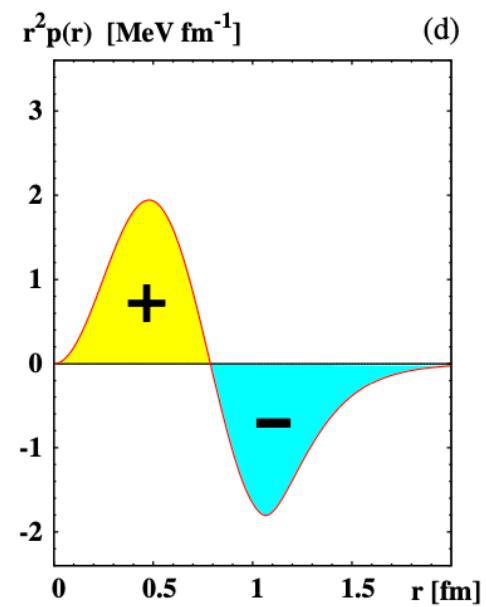
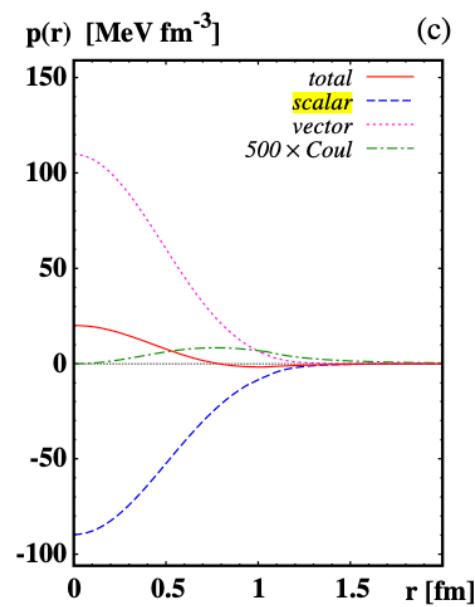
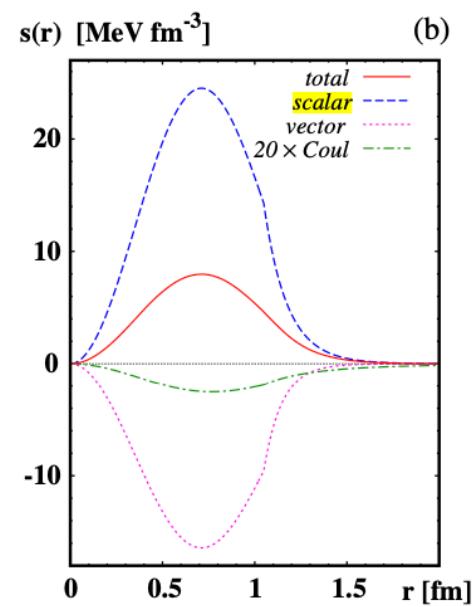
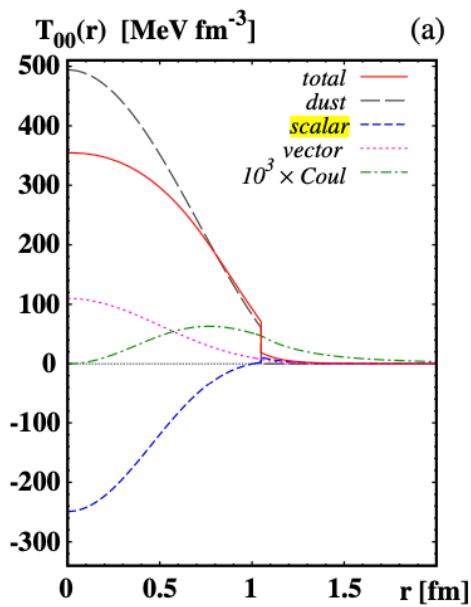
$$k_-^2 = \frac{e^2 m_v^2 m_s^2}{B} \rightarrow = \chi^2, \quad k_-^2 = e^2 \chi^2$$

$$2E_B = \lim_{e \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{d_-}{4\pi \chi} \right] \rightarrow 8\pi \chi E_B = \lim_{e \rightarrow 0} [e * d_-]$$

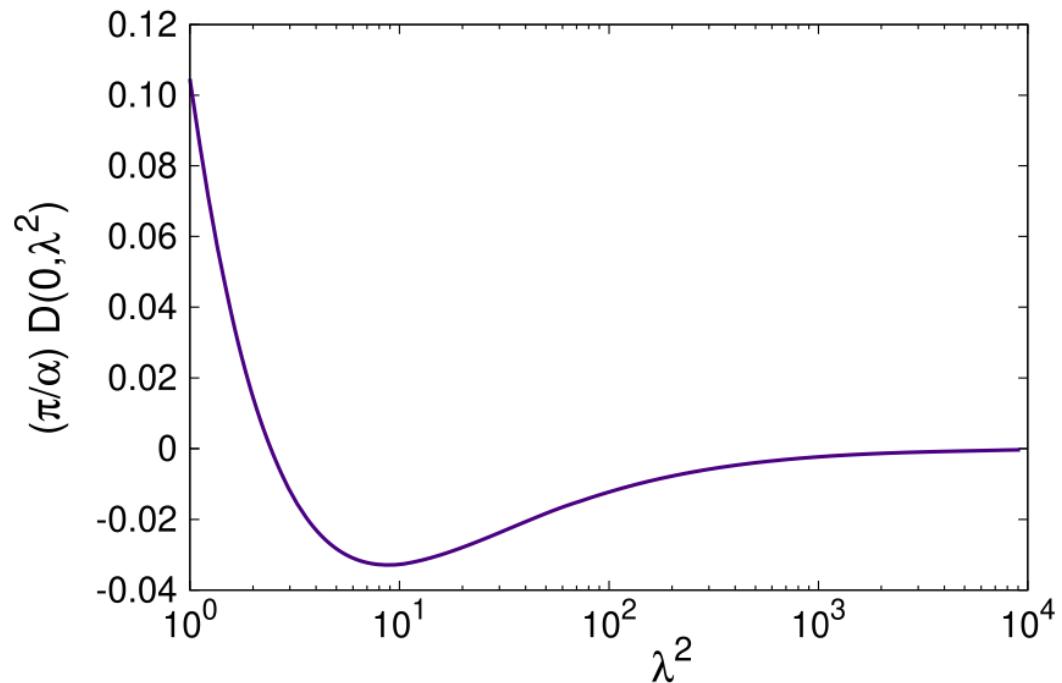
$$\lim_{e \rightarrow 0} [f_-] = \lim_{e \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{d_-}{4\pi} \frac{\sin(k_- r)}{r} \right] = \lim_{e \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{8\pi \chi E_B}{e 4\pi r} * e \chi r \right]$$

$$\therefore f_-(r) = \text{constant}$$

(Bialynicki-Birula 1993)



# QED study on GFF $D(t)$ of electron



Metz et al PLB 820 (2021)