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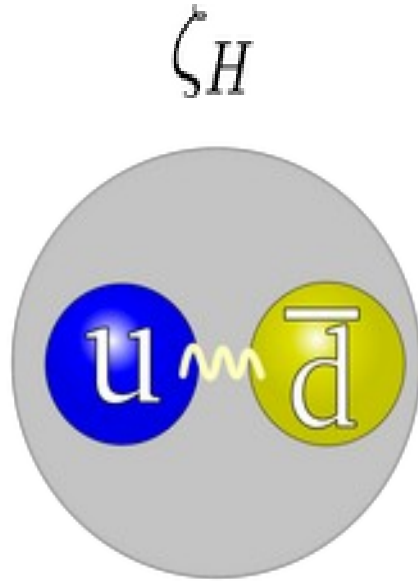
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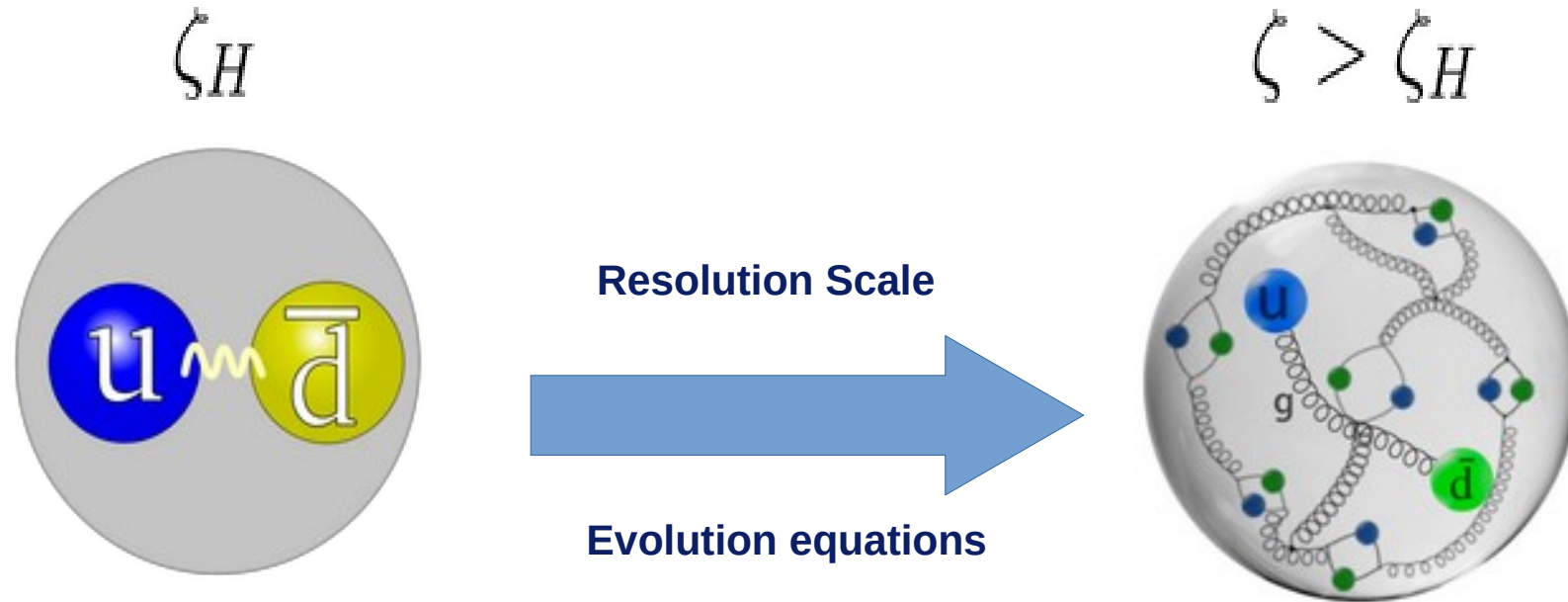
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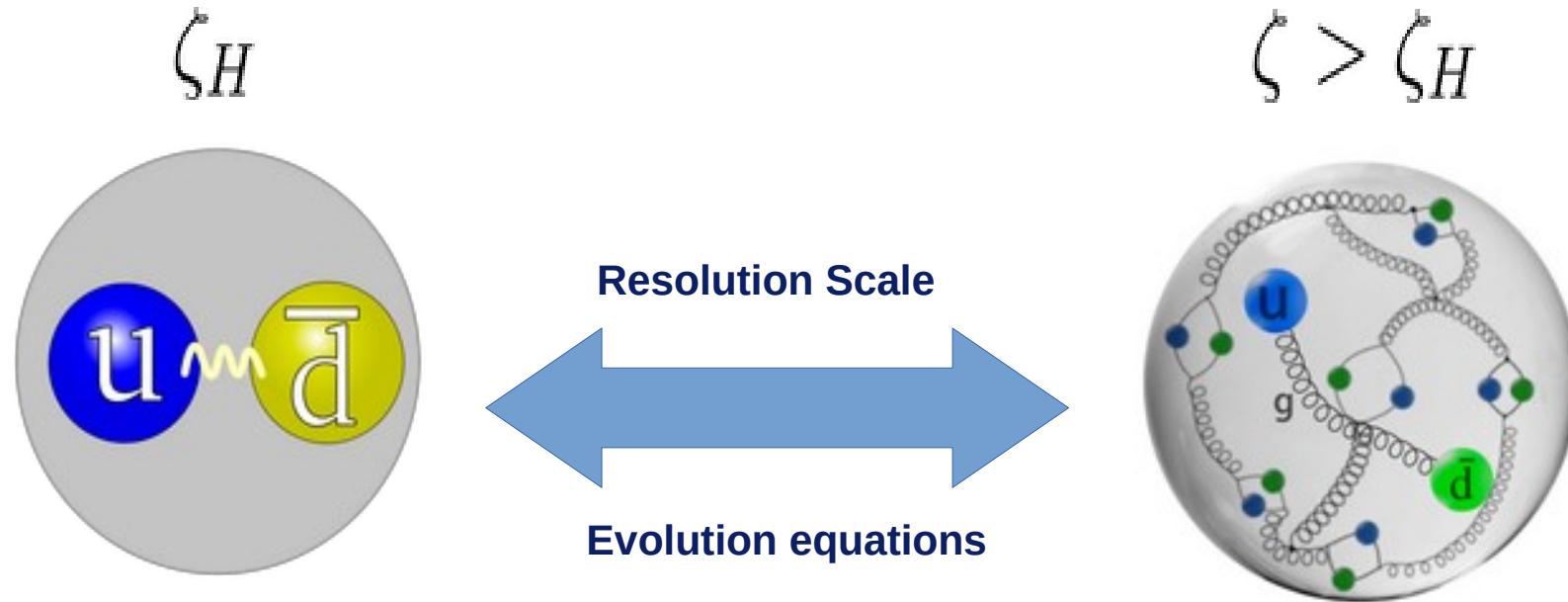
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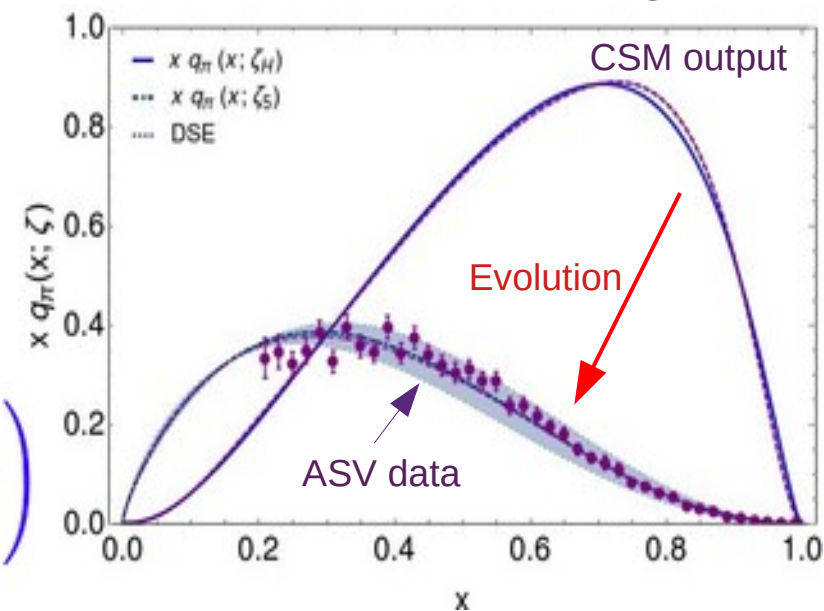
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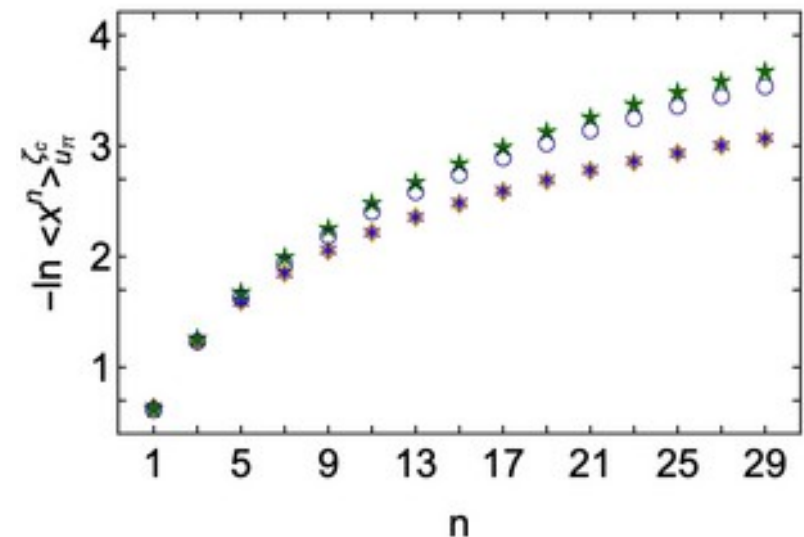
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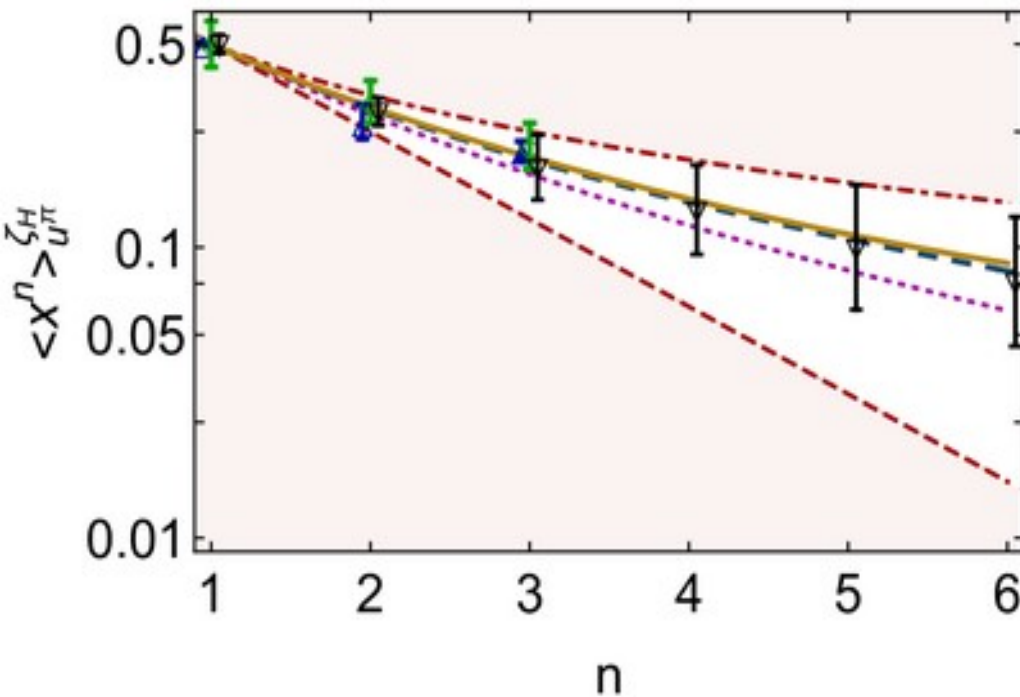
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Lattice moments verifying the **recurrence relation** too.

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Assumption: define an **effective** charge such that

Raya:2021zrz

Cui:2020tdf

Starting from fully-dressed
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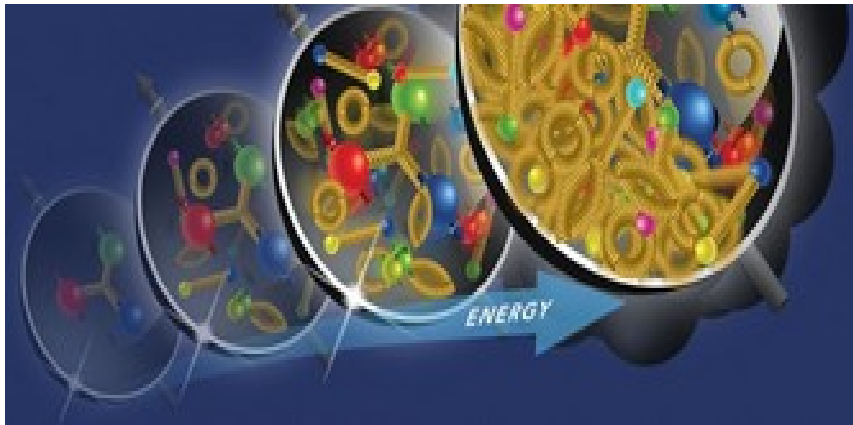


Sea and **Gluon** content unveils,
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DGLAP ~~leading order~~ evolution equations

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- **Not** the **LO** QCD coupling but an **effective** one.
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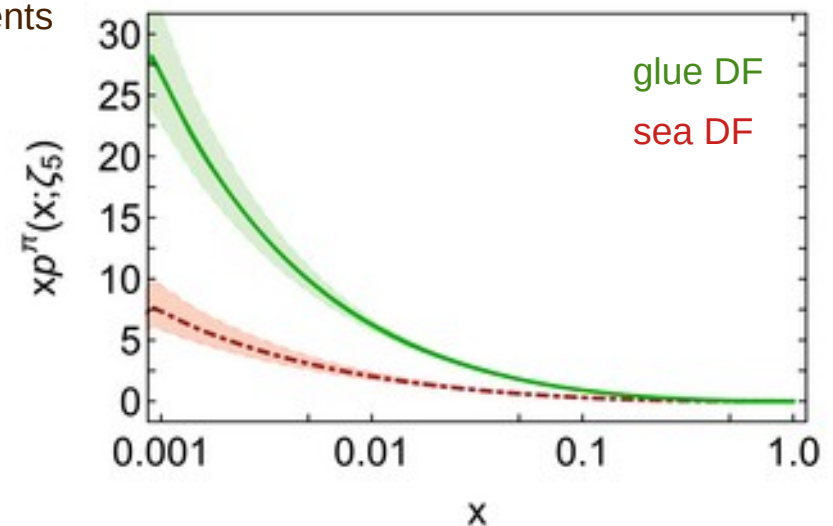
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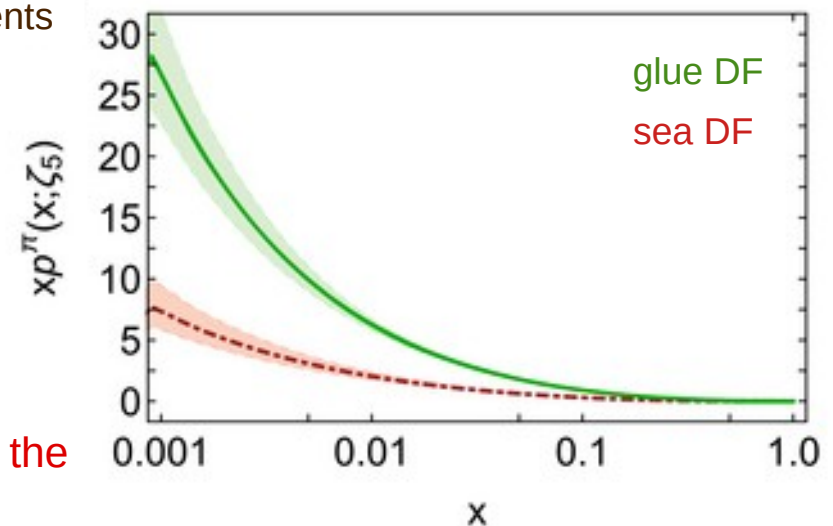
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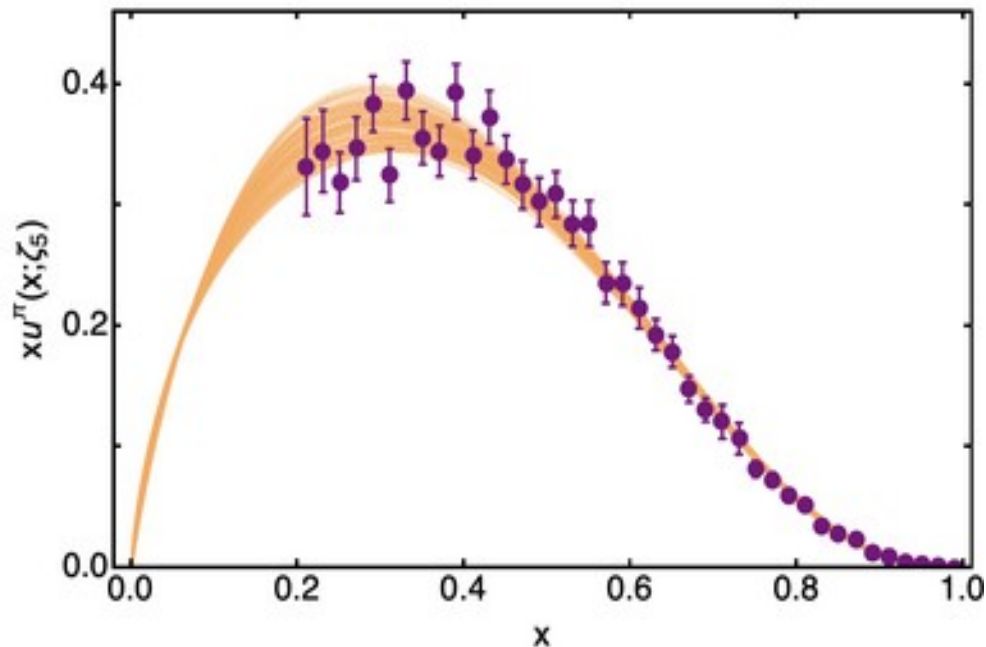
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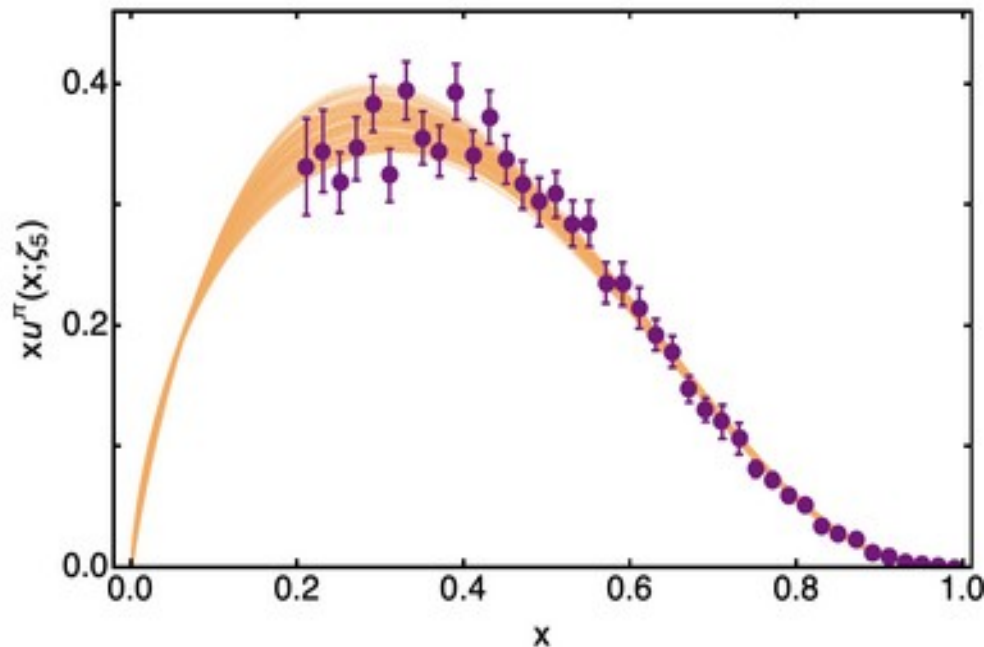
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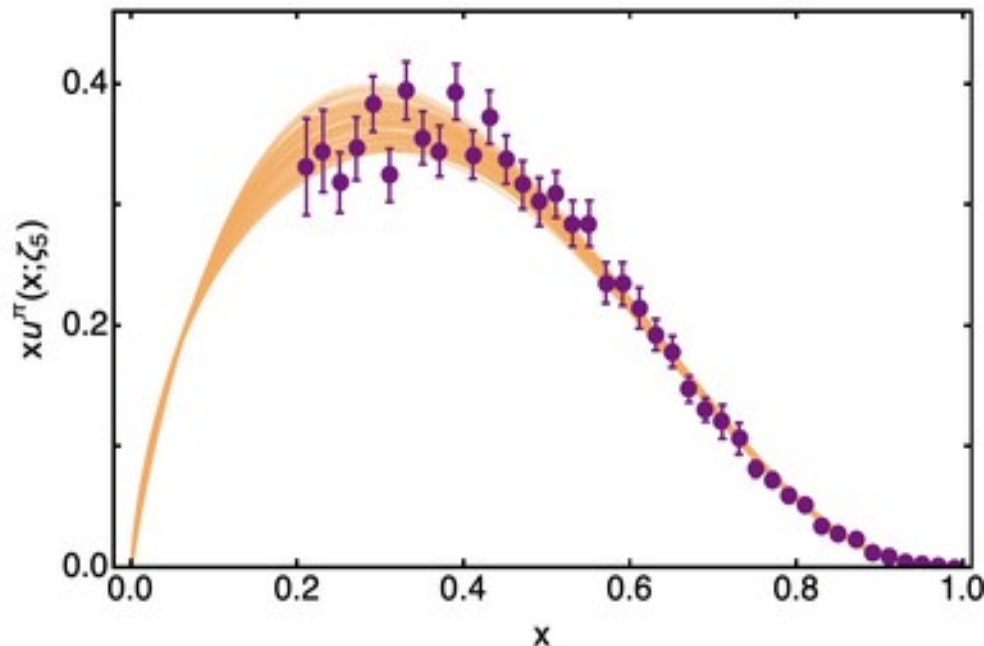
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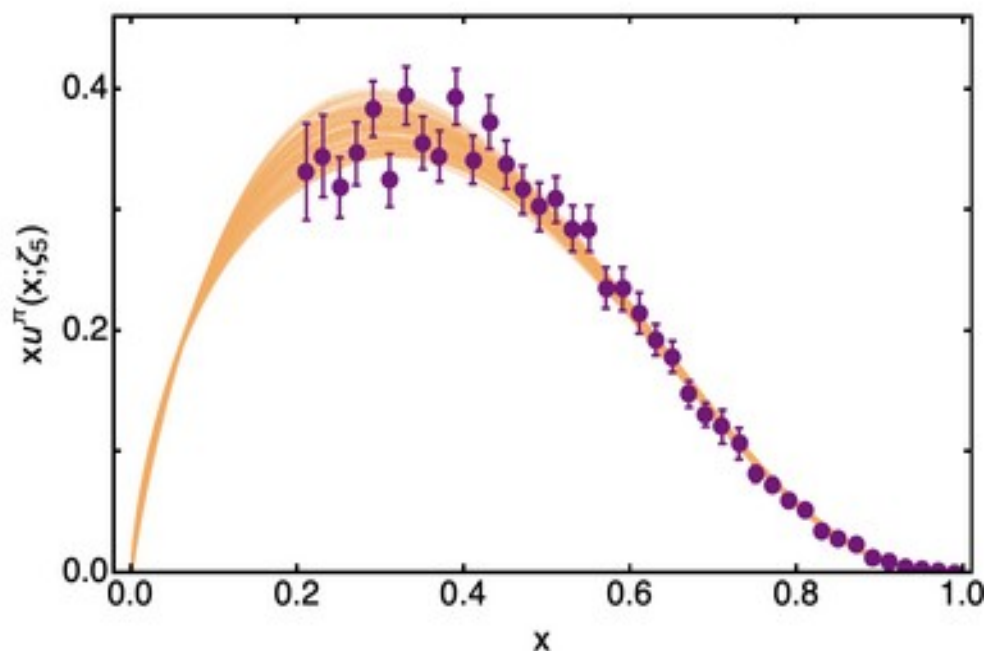
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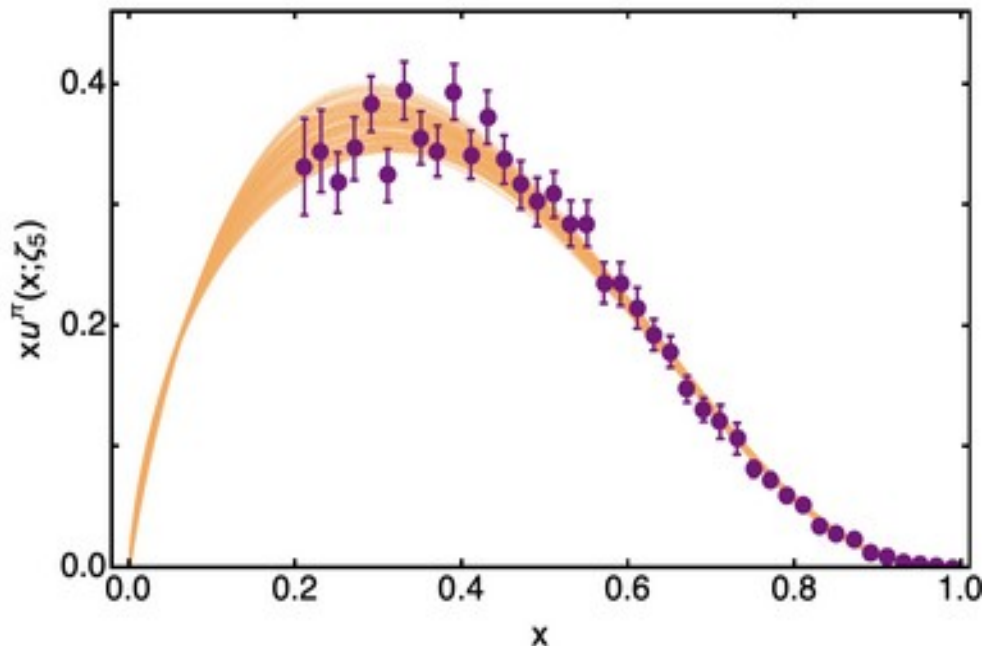
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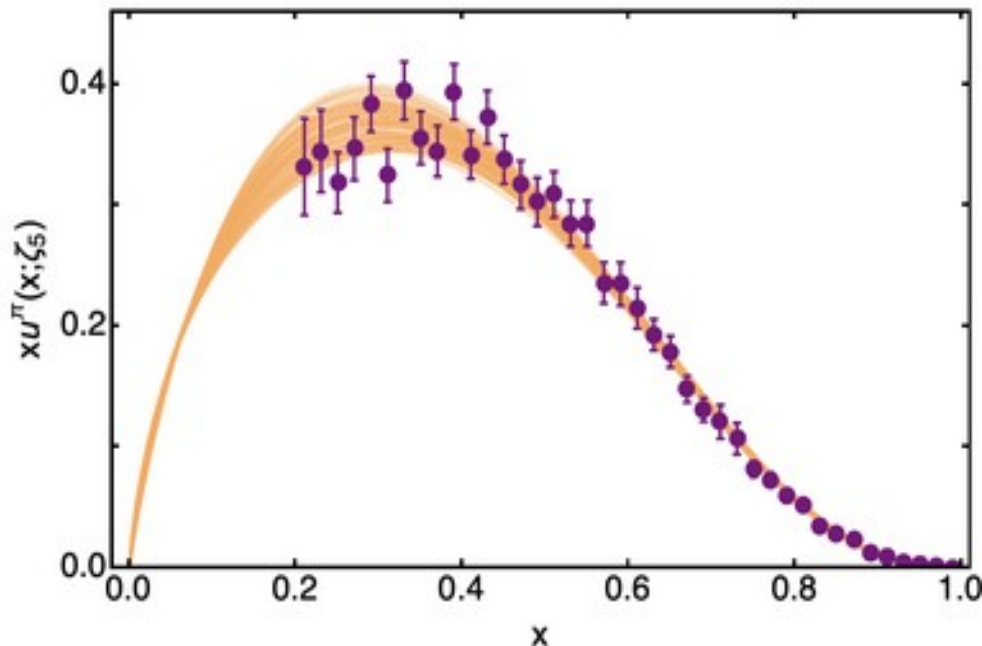
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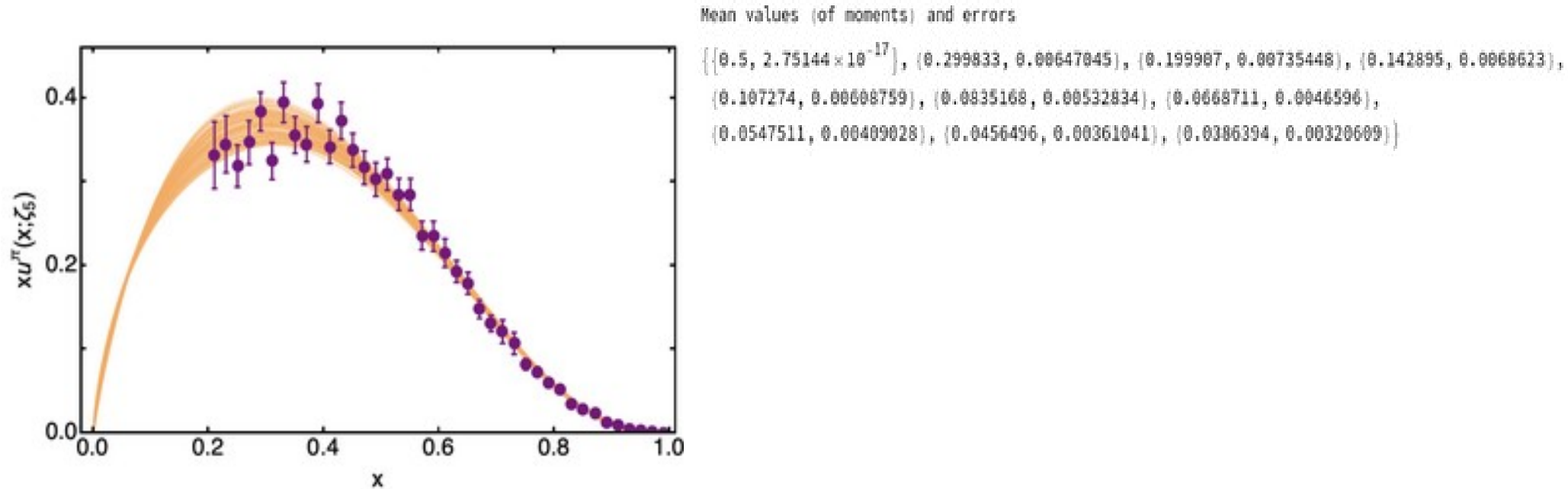
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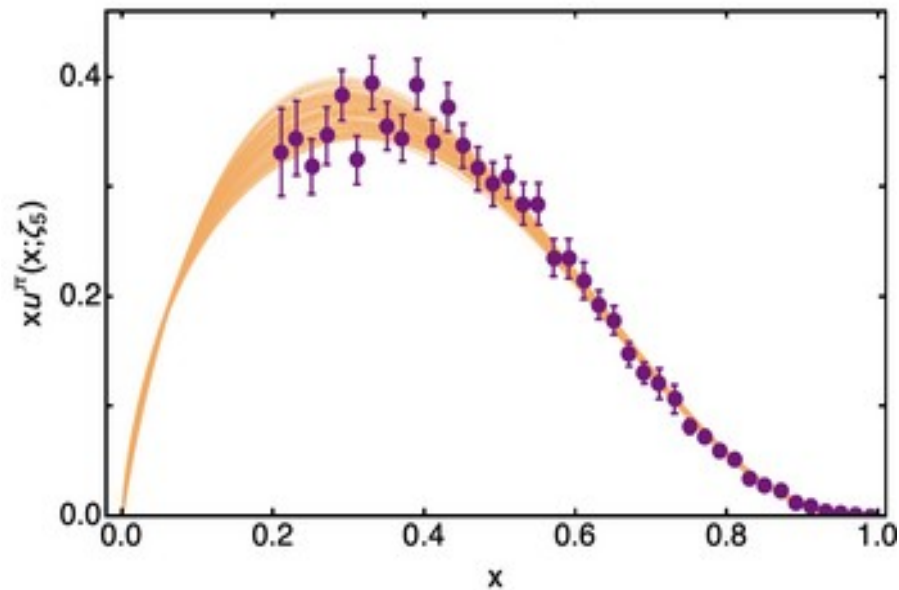
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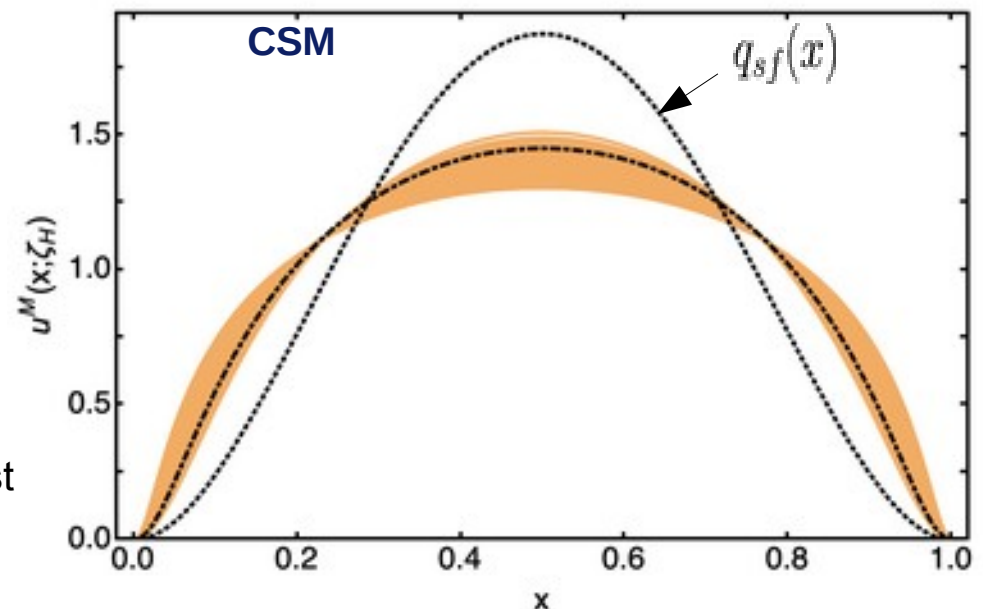
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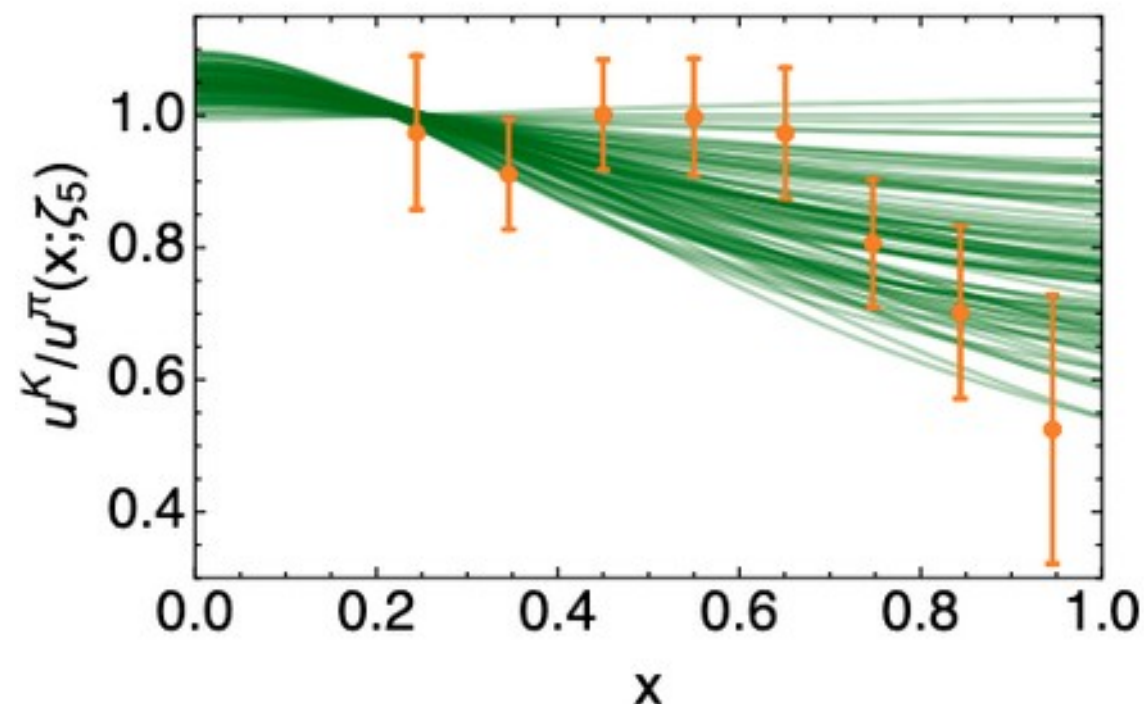
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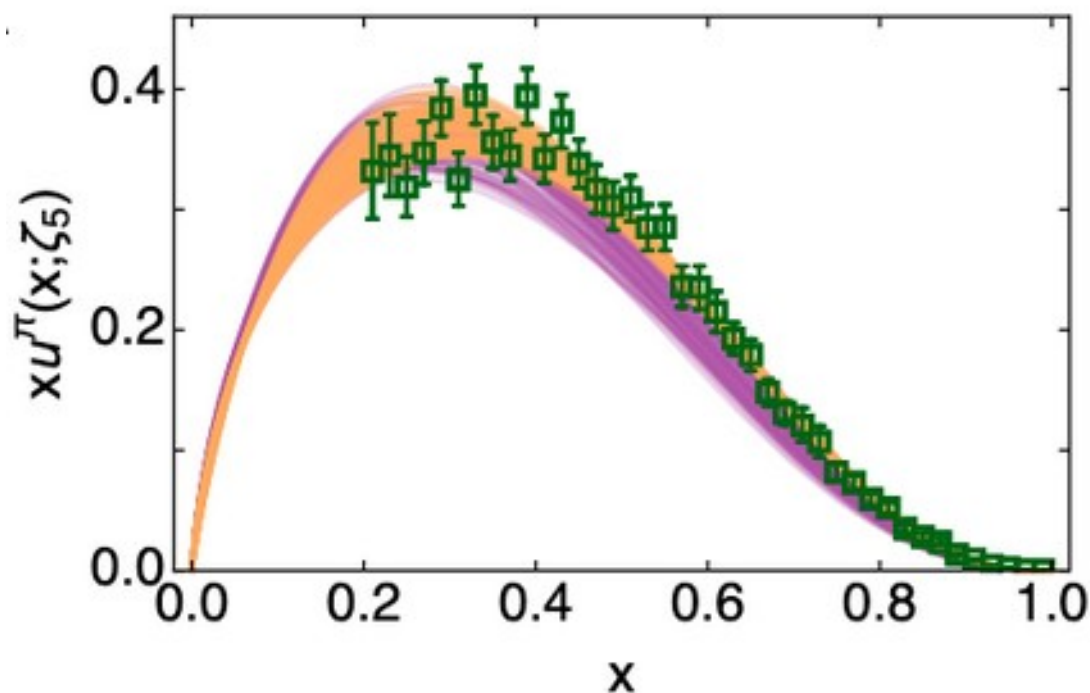
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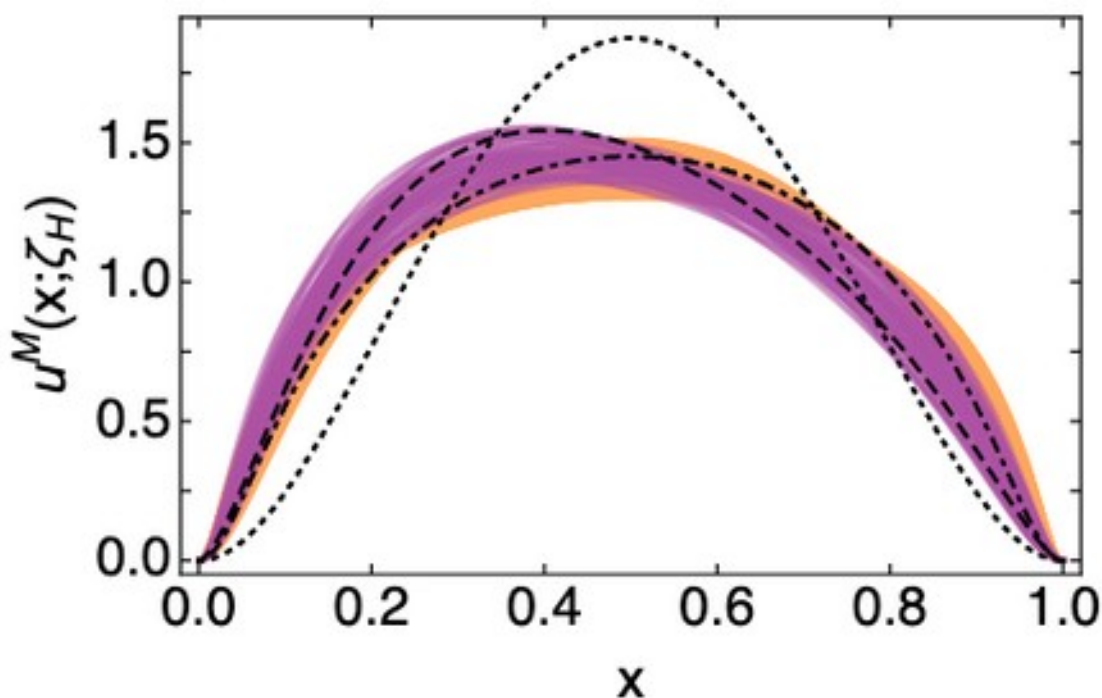
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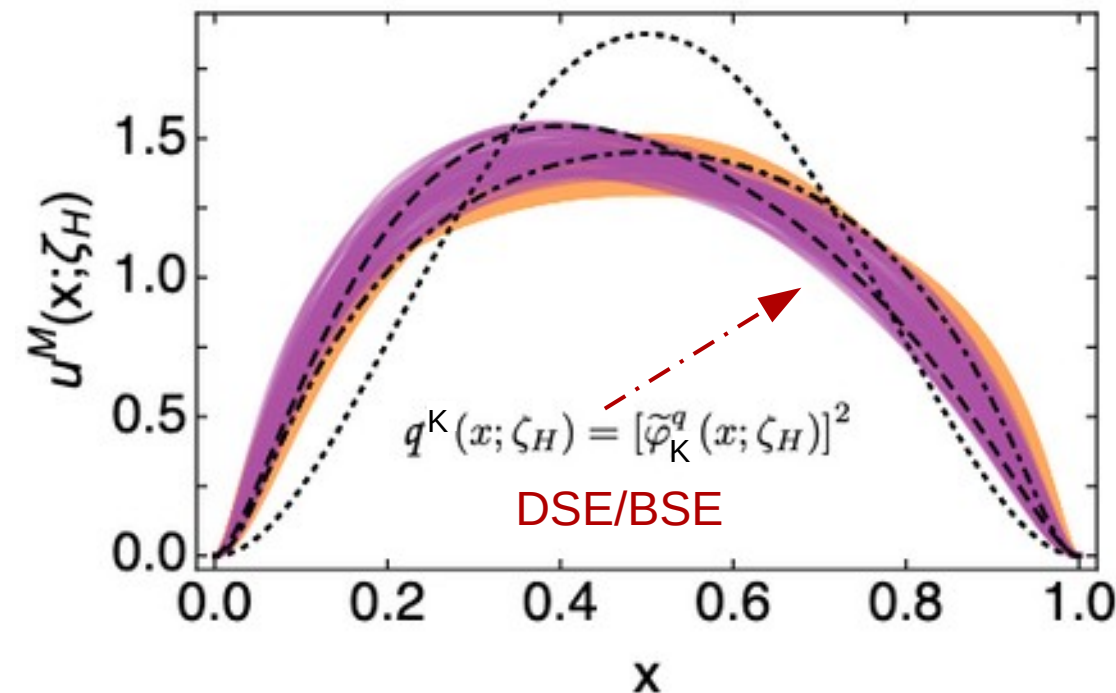
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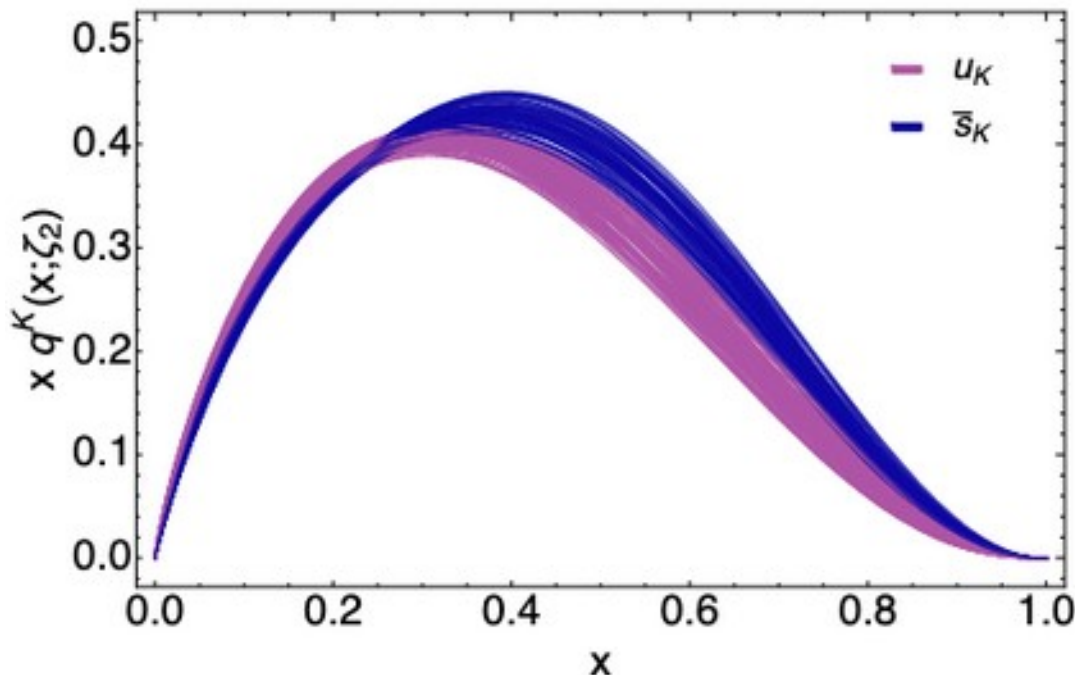
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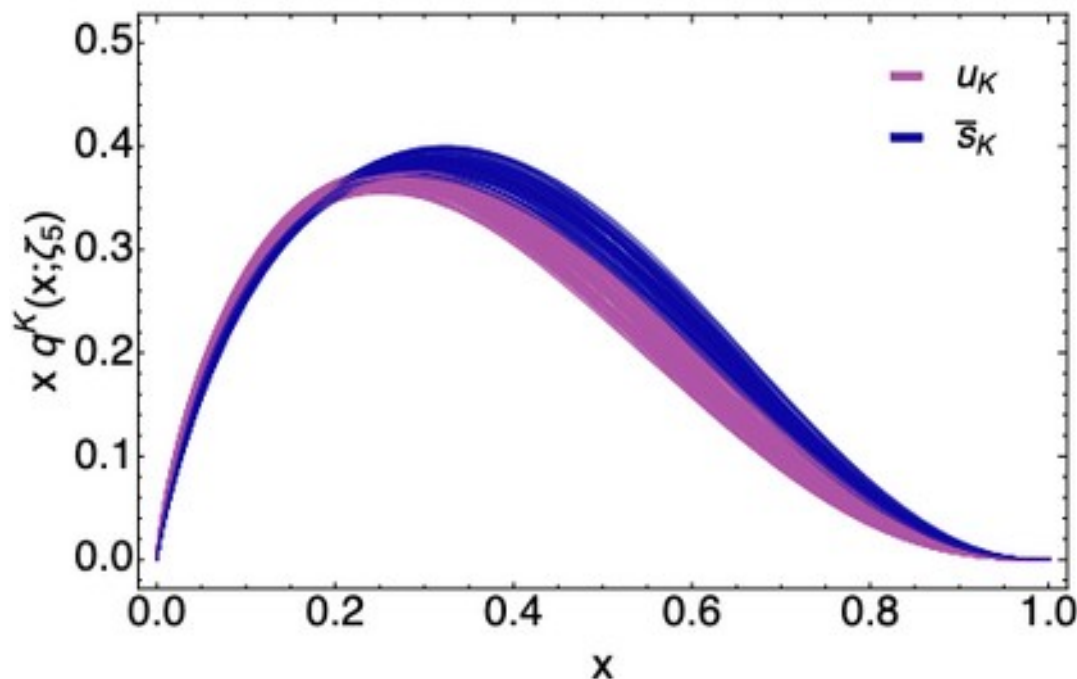
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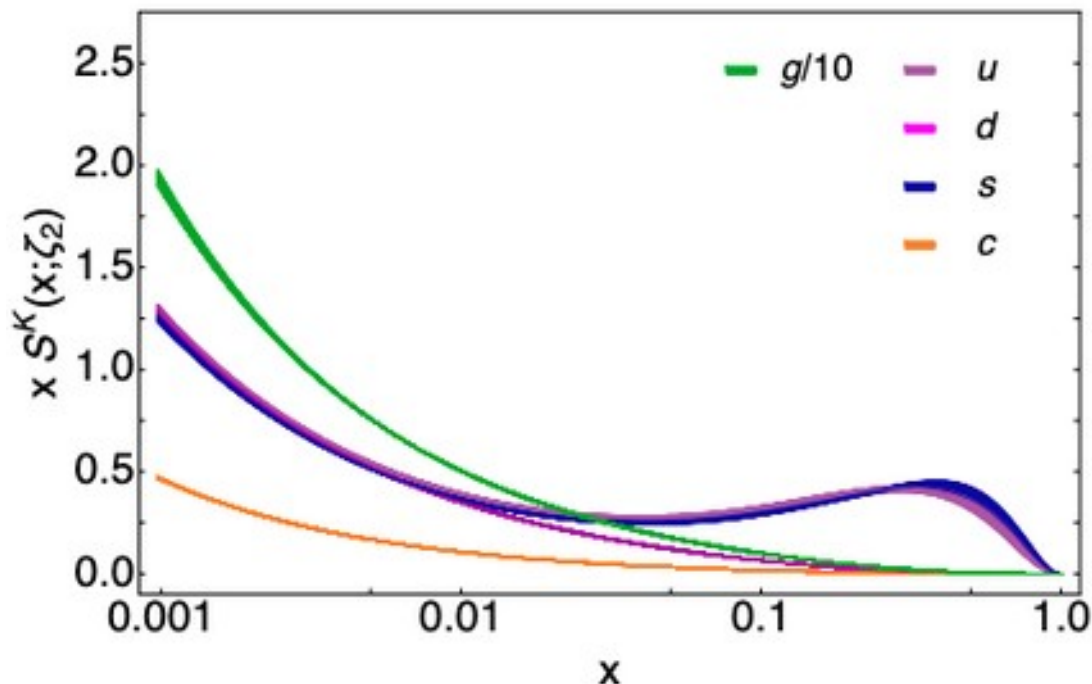
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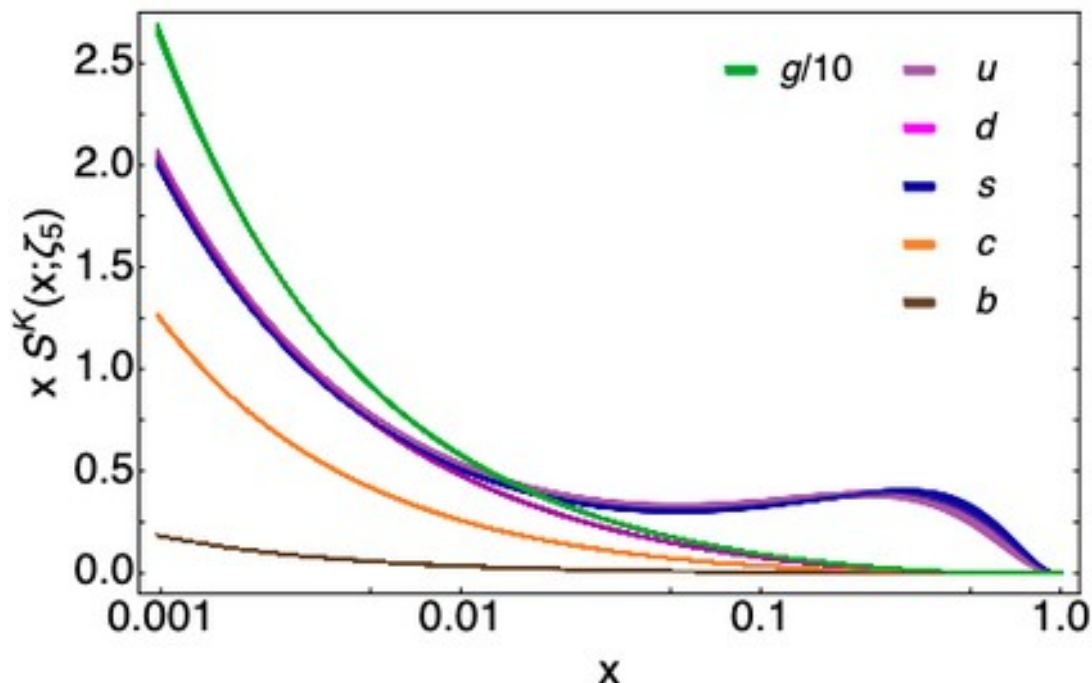
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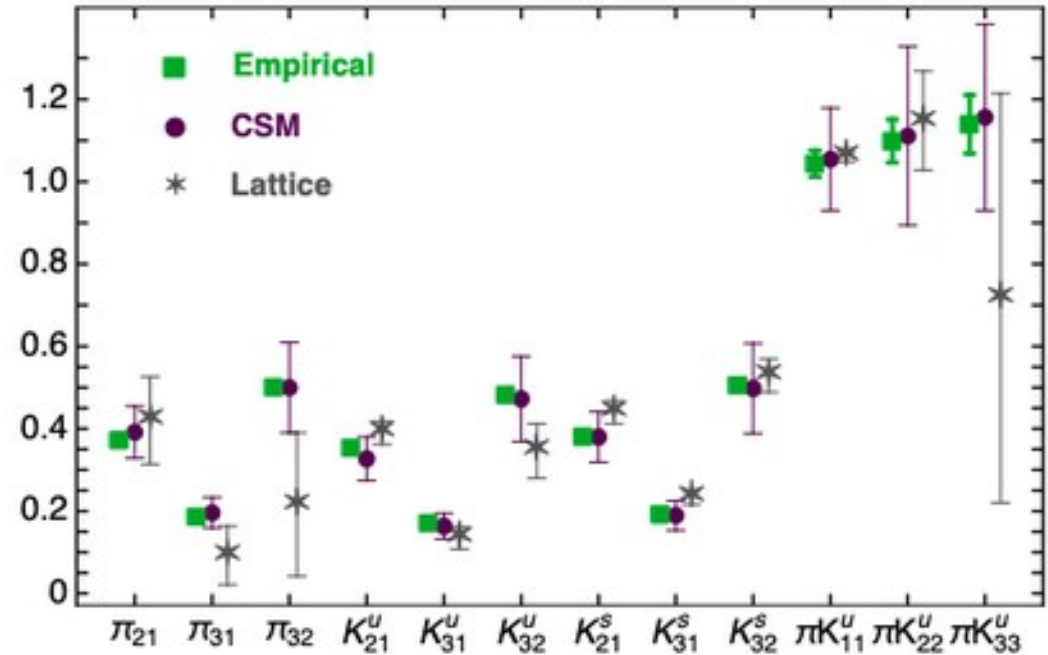
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	empirical		[32, IQCD]	
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u	0.197(5)(9)	0.036(2)		0.207(4)(9)
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g			0.461(20)	

	empirical		[32, IQCD]	
M	π	K	π	K
l	0.538(15)	0.286(12)	0.499(55)	0.317(19)
s	0.026(01)	0.278(13)	0.036(15)	0.339(11)
c	0.008(01)	0.008(01)	0.013(16)	0.028(21)
q	0.572(15)	0.572(18)	0.575(79)	0.683(50)
g	0.428(18)	0.428(18)	0.402(53)	0.422(67)



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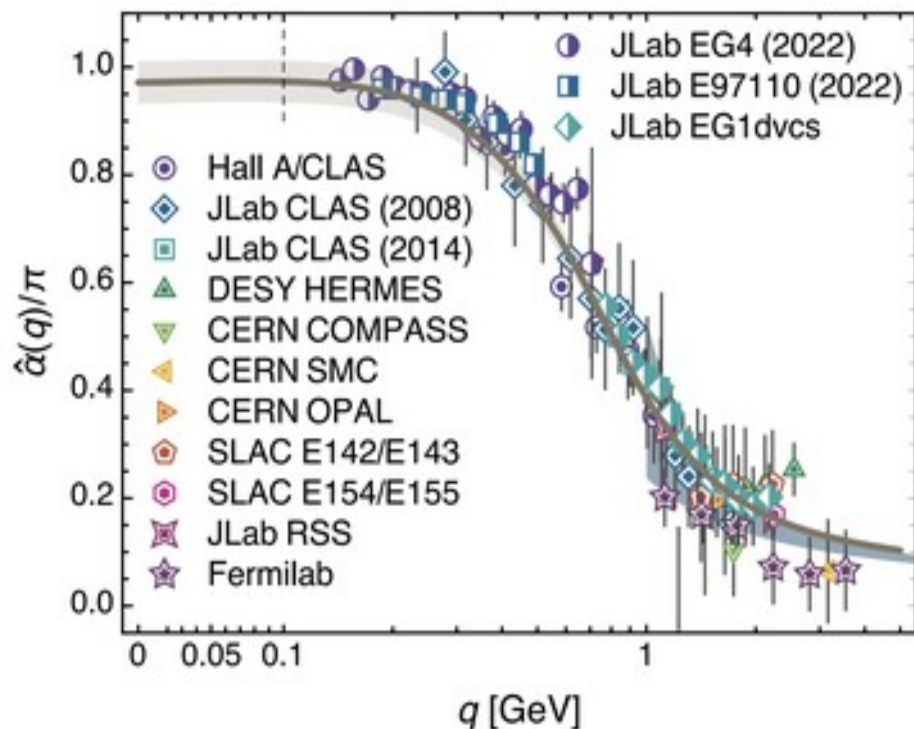
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Backslides

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Then, we define:

$$\alpha(k^2) = \frac{\gamma_m \pi}{\ln \left[\frac{\mathcal{M}^2(k^2)}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2} \right]}; \quad \alpha(0) = 0.97(4)$$

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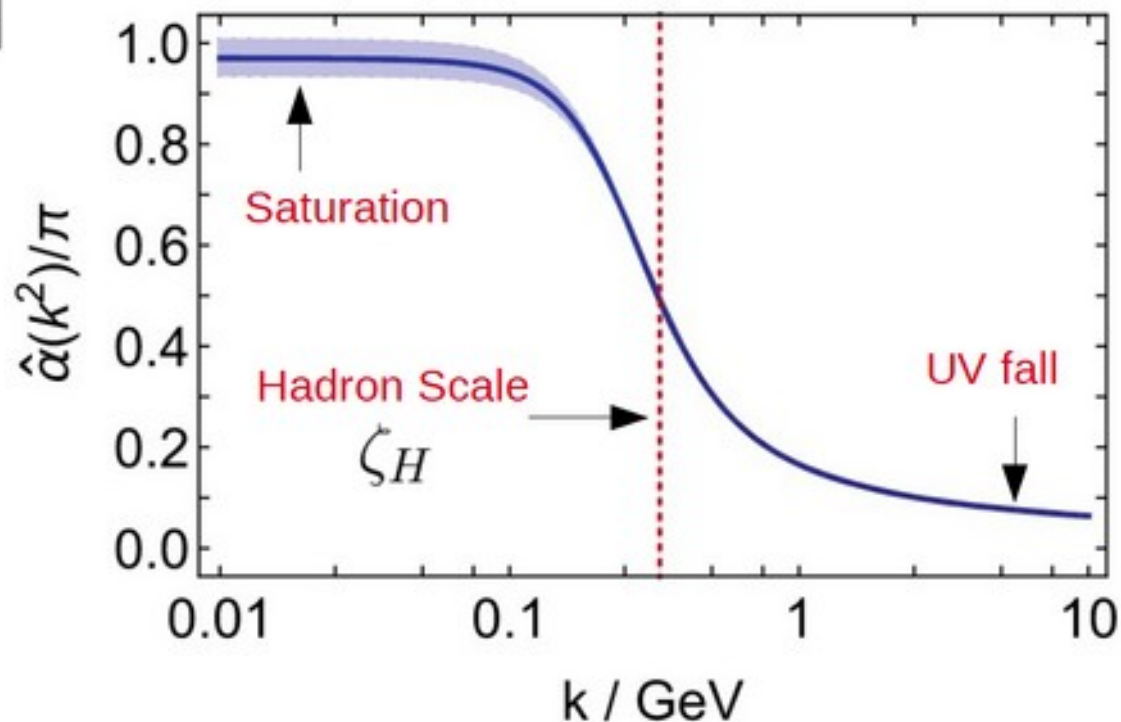
$$\mathcal{M}(k^2 = \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2) := m_G = 0.331(2) \text{ GeV}$$

defines the screening mass and an associated wavelength, such that larger gluon modes decouple.

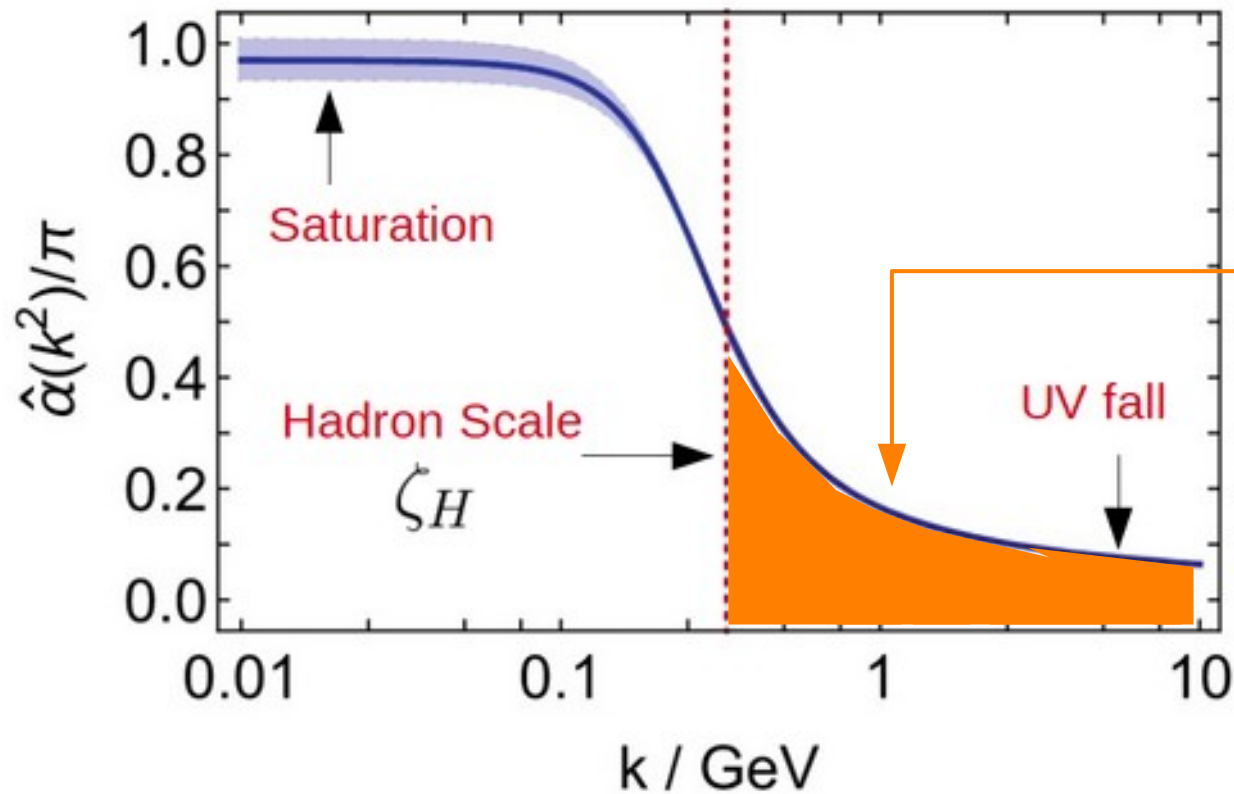
Then, we identify: $\zeta_H := m_G(1 \pm 0.1)$

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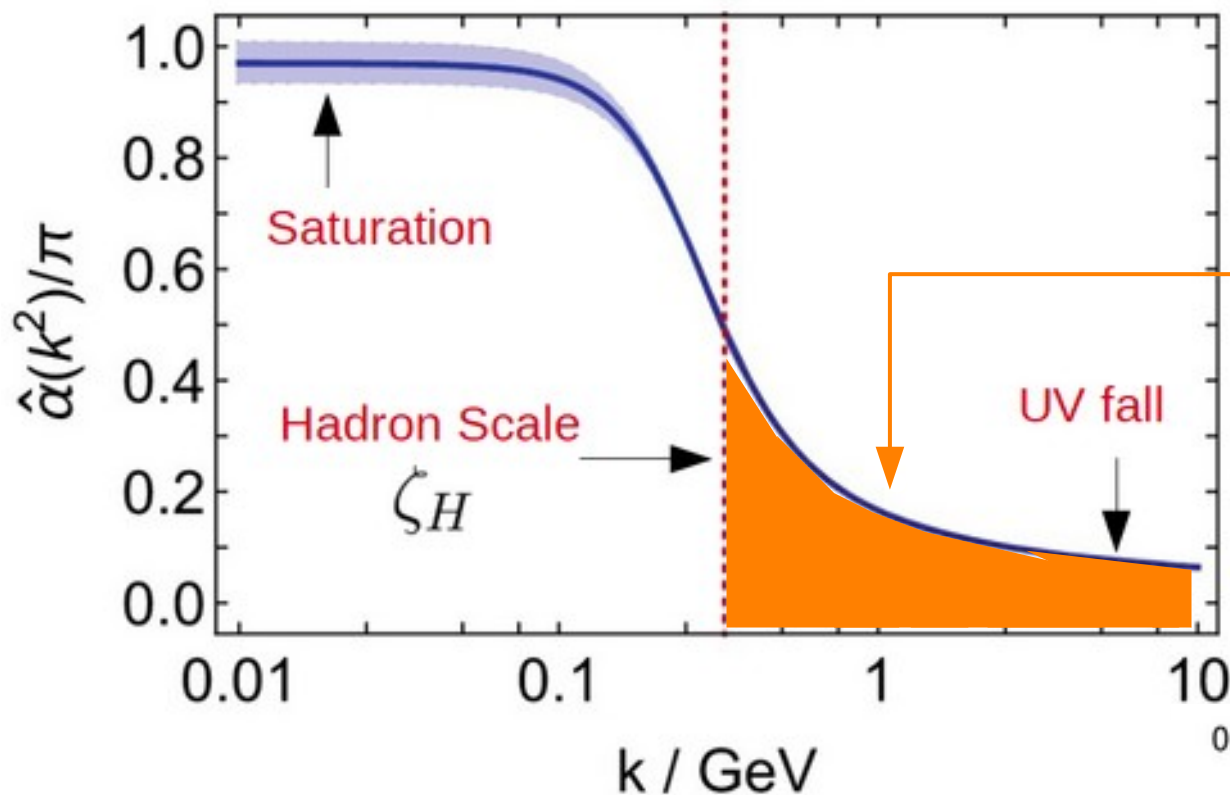


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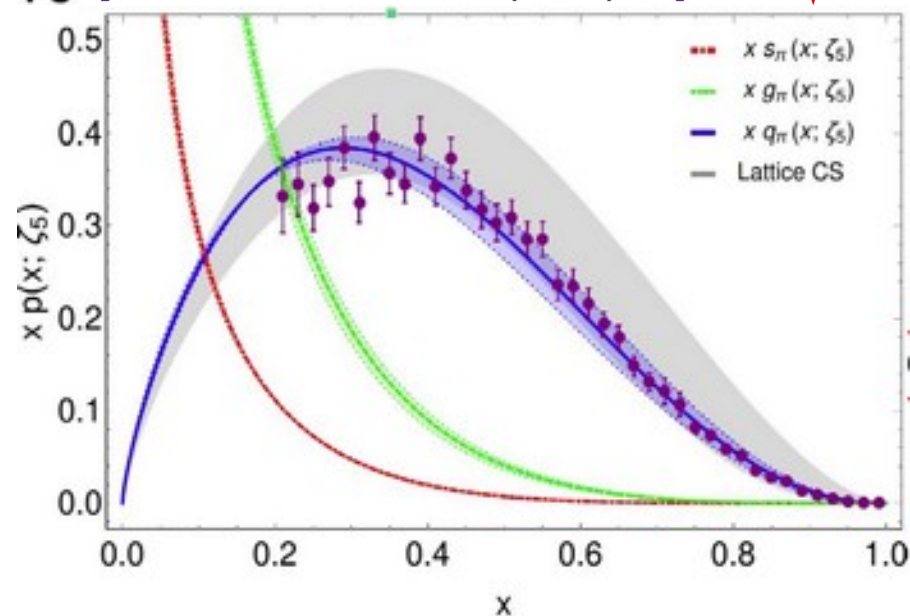
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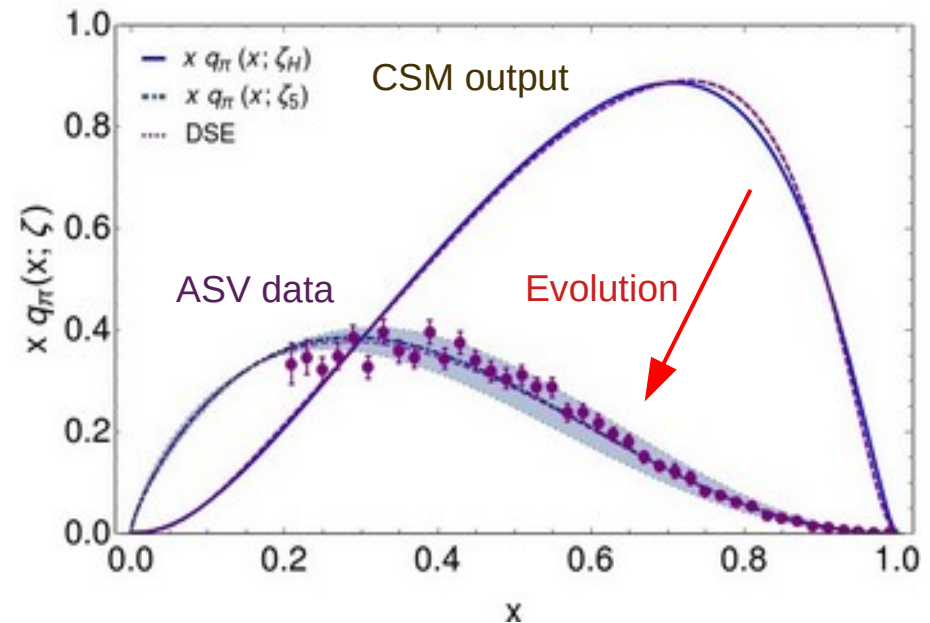
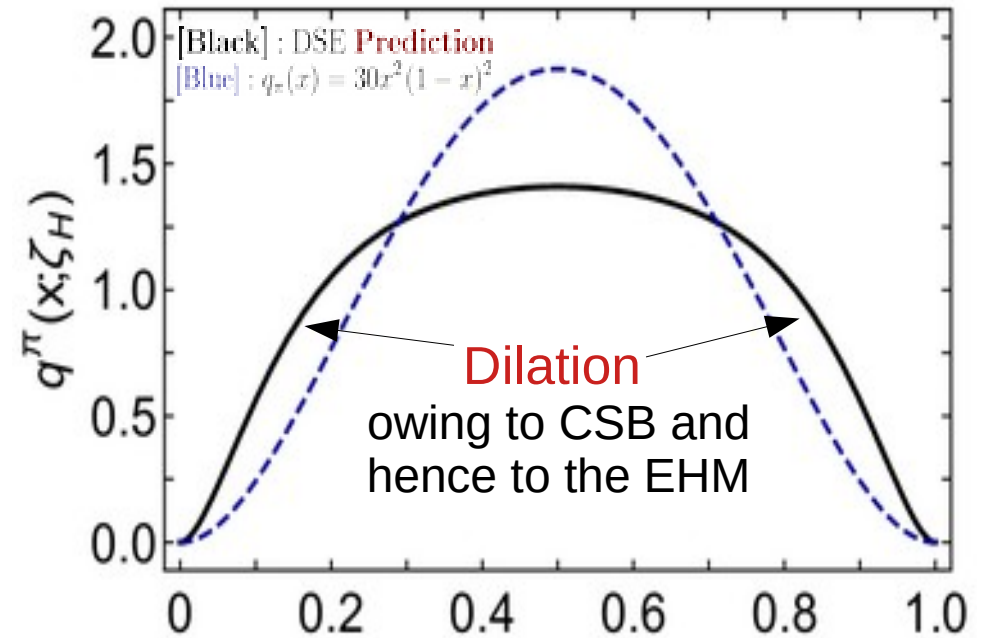
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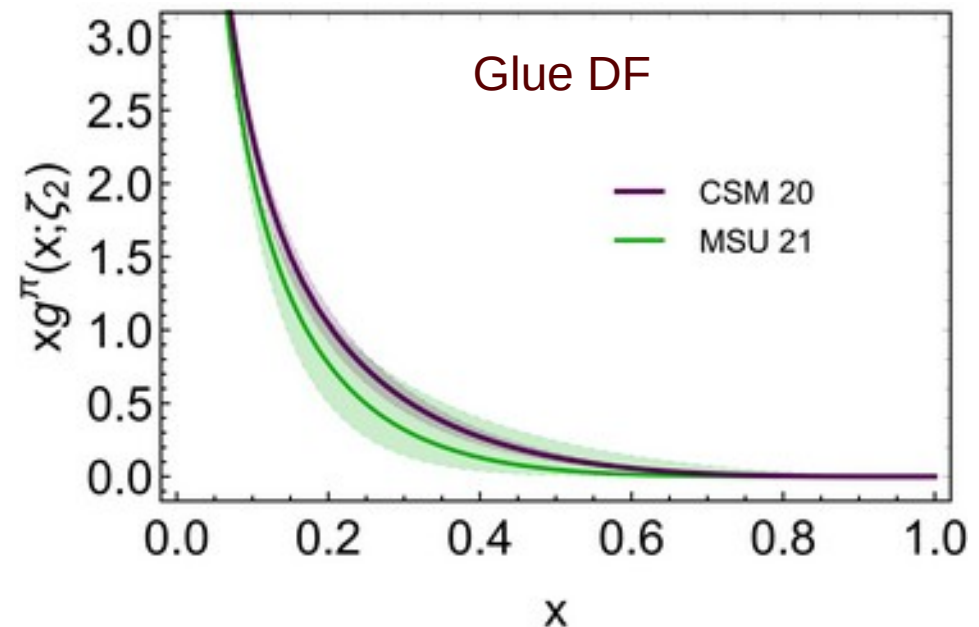
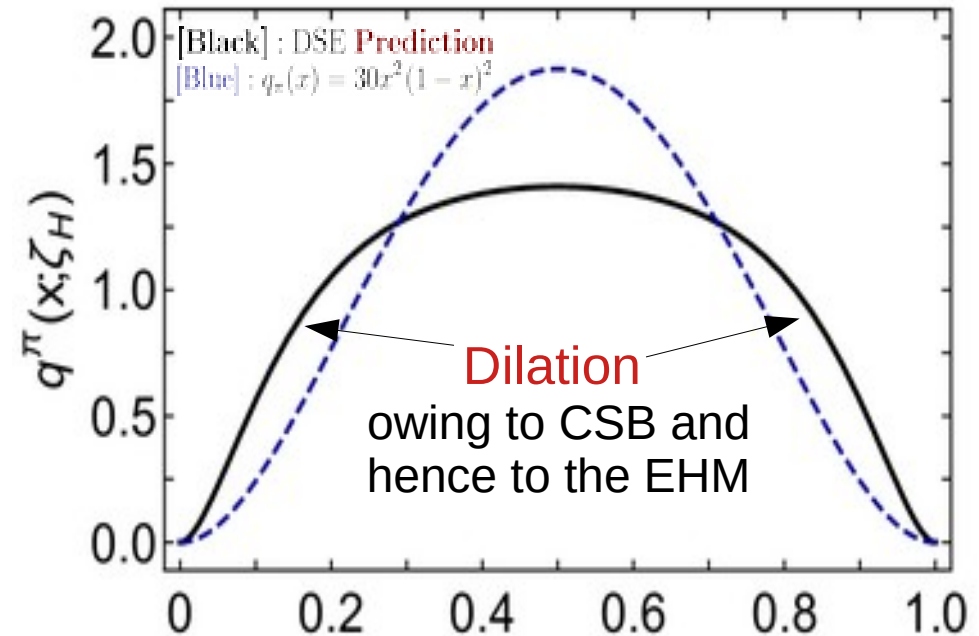
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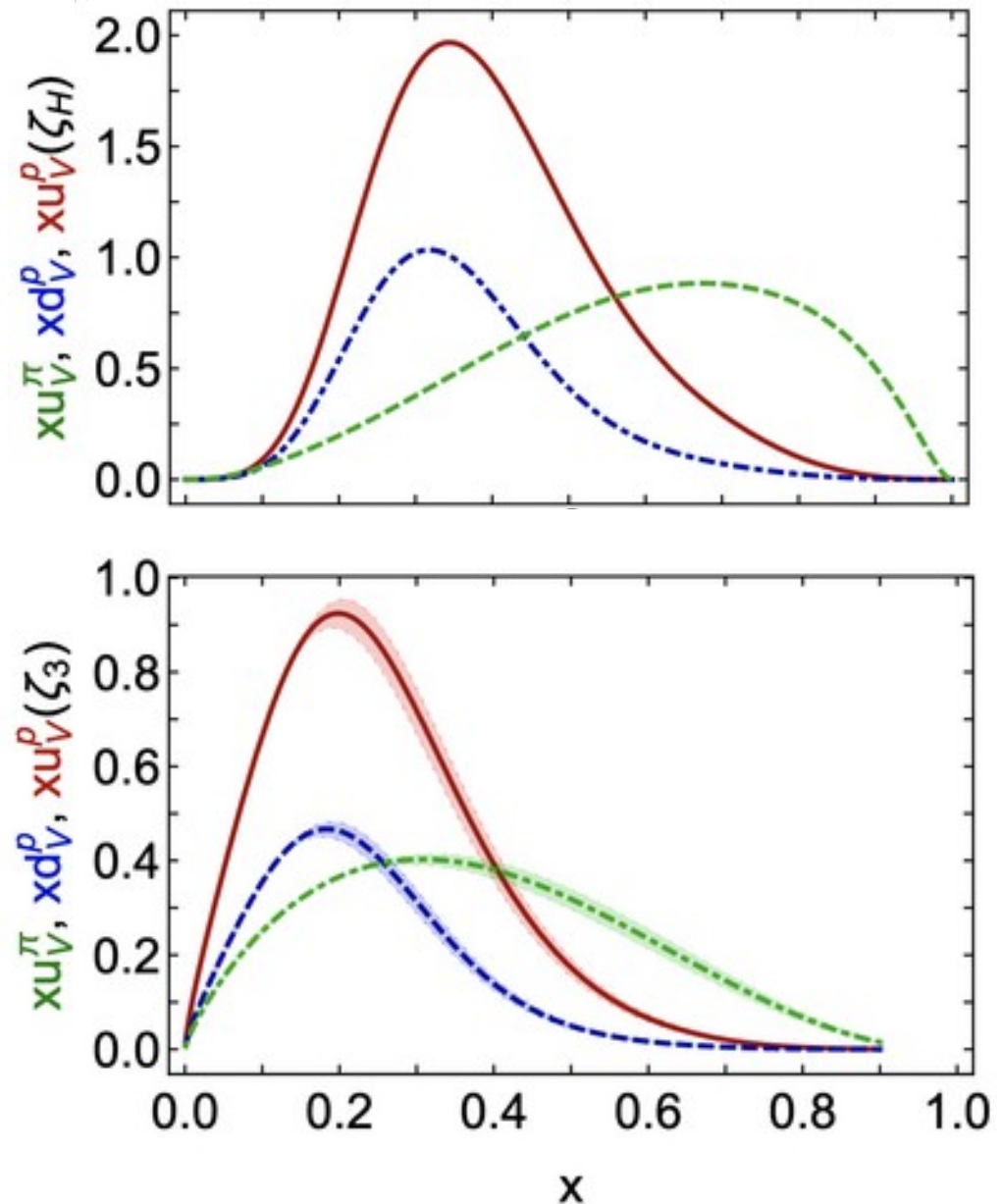
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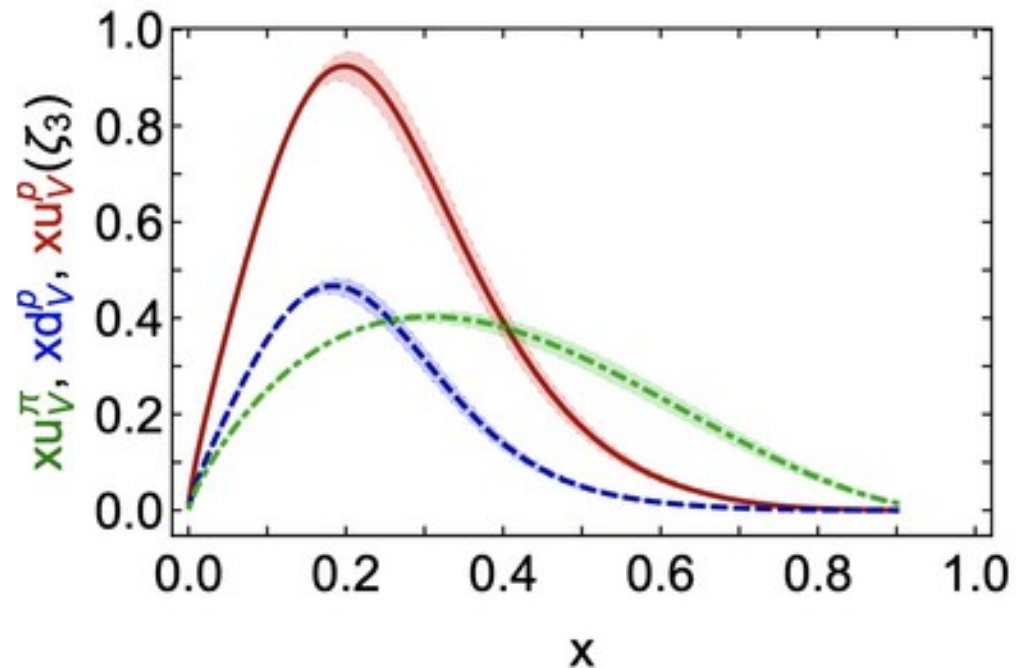
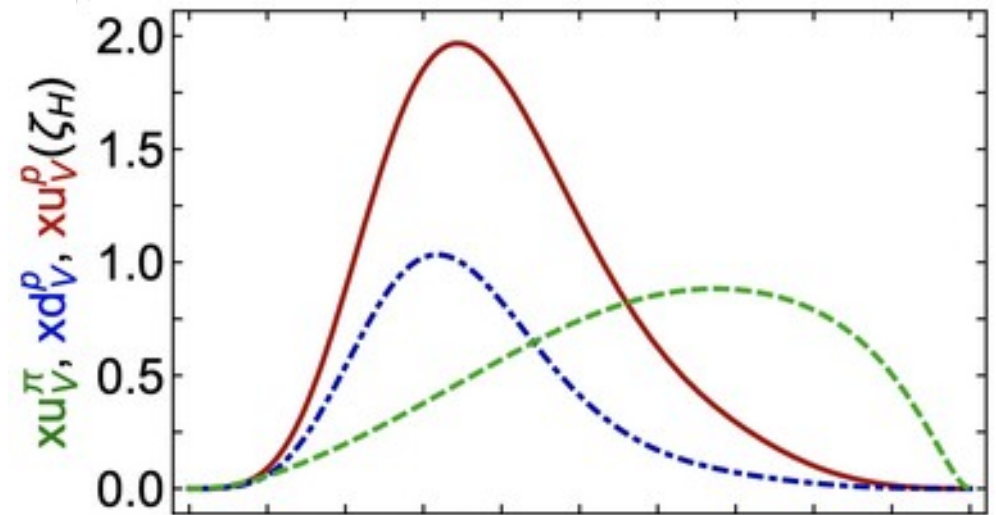
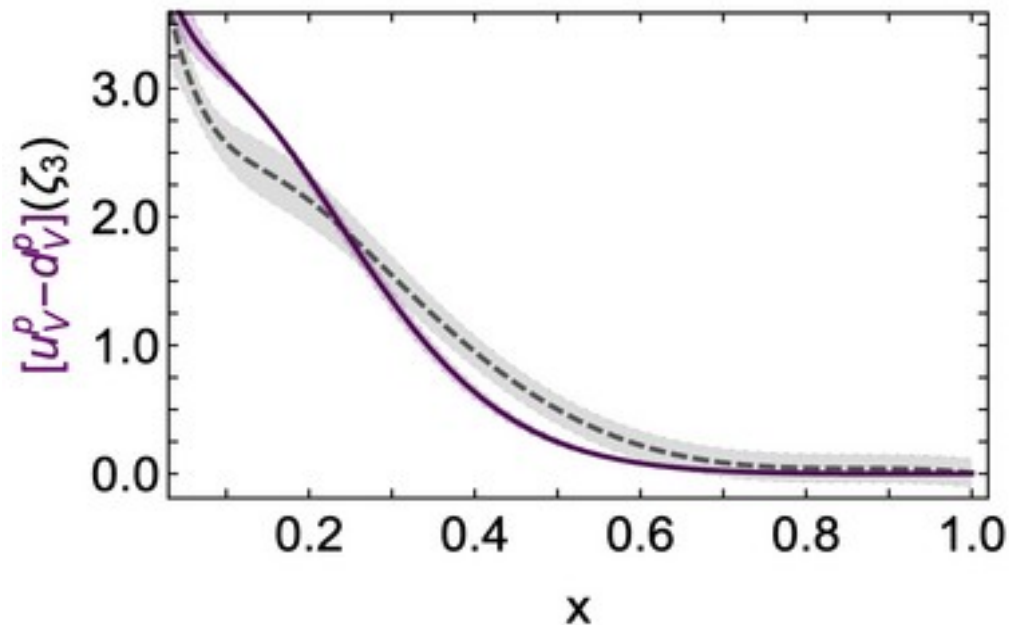
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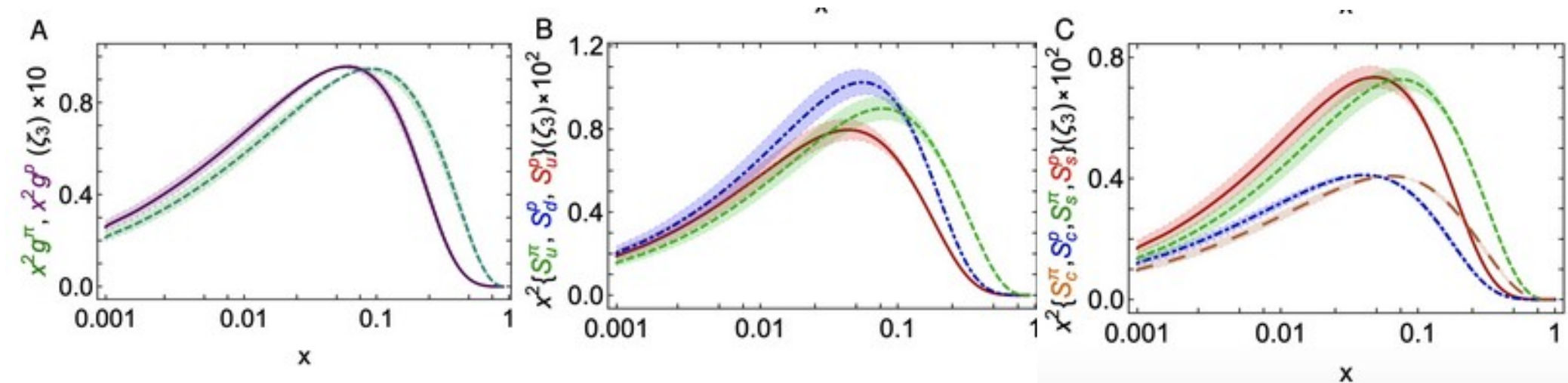
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pion	u^π	$\bar{d}^\pi$	g^π	S_u^π	$S_{\bar{d}}^\pi$	S_s^π	S_c^π
$\langle x \rangle^{\zeta_2}$	24.0(1.1)	24.0(1.1)	41.0(1.2)	3.3(3)	3.3(3)	2.65(22)	1.33(5)
$\langle x^2 \rangle^{\zeta_2}$	9.5(7)	9.5(7)	3.7(1)	0.27(1)	0.27(1)	0.21(1)	0.092(2)
$\langle x^3 \rangle^{\zeta_2}$	4.7(4)	4.7(4)	0.92(6)	0.057(1)	0.057(1)	0.044(0)	0.018(1)
$\langle x \rangle^{\zeta_3}$	22.1(1.0)	22.1(1.0)	42.9(1.0)	3.7(3)	3.7(3)	3.0(2)	1.83(6)
$\langle x^2 \rangle^{\zeta_3}$	8.4(6)	8.4(6)	3.5(1)	0.27(1)	0.27(1)	0.22(1)	0.120(3)
$\langle x^3 \rangle^{\zeta_3}$	4.0(3)	4.0(3)	0.82(5)	0.056(0)	0.056(0)	0.044(0)	0.022(1)
proton	u^p	d^p	g^p	S_u^p	S_d^p	S_s^p	S_c^p
$\langle x \rangle^{\zeta_2}$	32.9(1.4)	15.0(0.7)	40.9(1.1)	2.9(2)	3.7(3)	2.64(22)	1.32(5)
$\langle x^2 \rangle^{\zeta_2}$	8.7(6)	3.6(2)	2.4(1)	0.14(1)	0.21(1)	0.13(0)	0.059(2)
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