

Theoretical Physics at Jefferson Lab

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Outline

- **Staff: focus on changes**
- **Expertise & Recent Achievements**
- **New Initiatives:**
 - **Expanded visitor program (focus for hadron physics)**
 - **Expanded initiative in lattice QCD**
 - **Excited Baryon Analysis Center (& PWA Hall D)**

Role of Theory at Jefferson Lab

- **Contribute to Intellectual Leadership of Lab**
- **Phenomenological Support of Experimental Program**
 - **development/analysis of proposals**
 - **provision of essential support in interpretation of data**
- **Projects of scope/duration appropriate to a national laboratory**



JLab Theory Group: Senior Staff

- 4.5 full-time staff (4.5 FTE)

Robert Edwards (*lattice gauge theory*)

Franz Gross (0.5 time)

Wally Melnitchouk (from Feb 04)

David Richards (*lattice gauge theory*)

Christian Weiss (from Aug 04)

Distinguished Visiting Fellow: Stan Brodsky (SLAC), Jan 03-Jun 03

Barry Holstein (UMass), Jan 04-Jun 04

Chief Scientist / Group Leader: Anthony Thomas (from April 04)

- 7 staff with joint appointments (3.5 FTE)

Ian Balitsky (ODU)

Jose Goity (Hampton)

Anatoly Radyushkin (ODU)

Winston Roberts (ODU)

Rocco Schiavilla (ODU)

Marc Vanderhaeghen (W&M)

Wally Van Orden (ODU)



JLab Theory Group: Junior Staff

- 5 JLab postdoctoral fellows (5 FTE)

Jozef Dudek (PhD 04, Oxford, UK) – from Oct 04

George Fleming (Ph.D. 00, Columbia) – Oct 02 to Sep 05

Renato Higa (Ph.D. 03, São Paulo, Brazil) - from Oct 03

Mark Paris (Ph.D. 01, UIUC) – from Nov 03

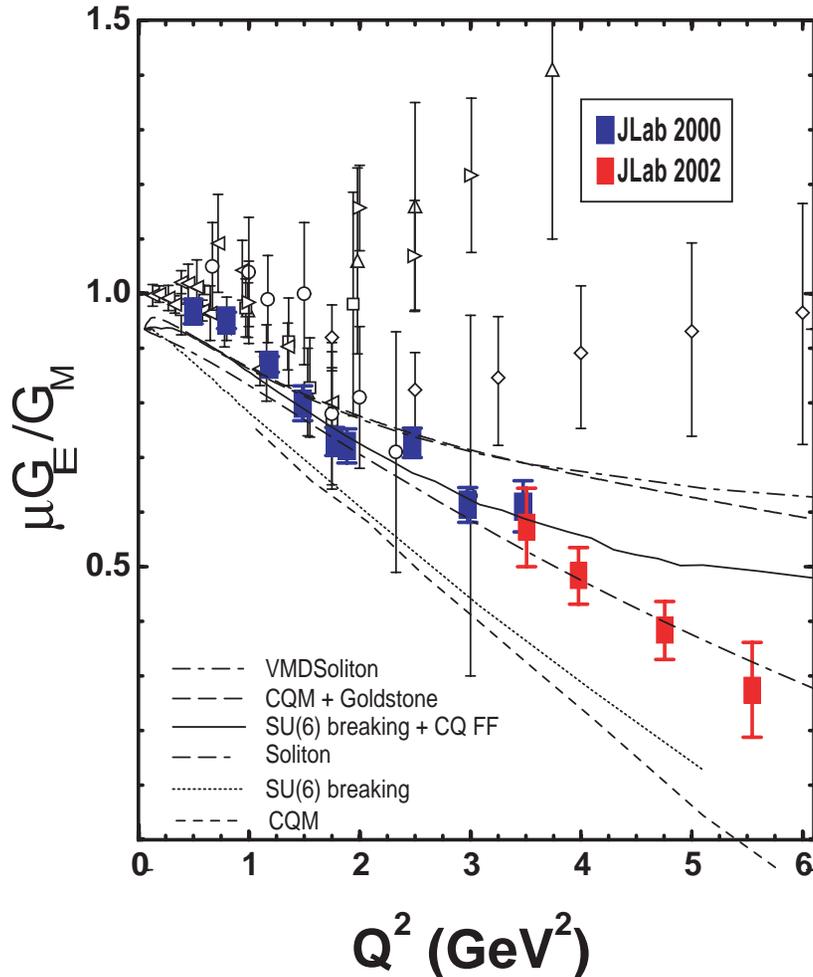
Ross Young (PhD 04, Adelaide, Australia) – from Oct 04

- Isgur Distinguished Postdoctoral Fellow (funded by SURA and JLab)
Evgeny Epelbaum (Ph.D. 00, Bochum) – from Oct 03

JLab Theory Group: Associate Staff

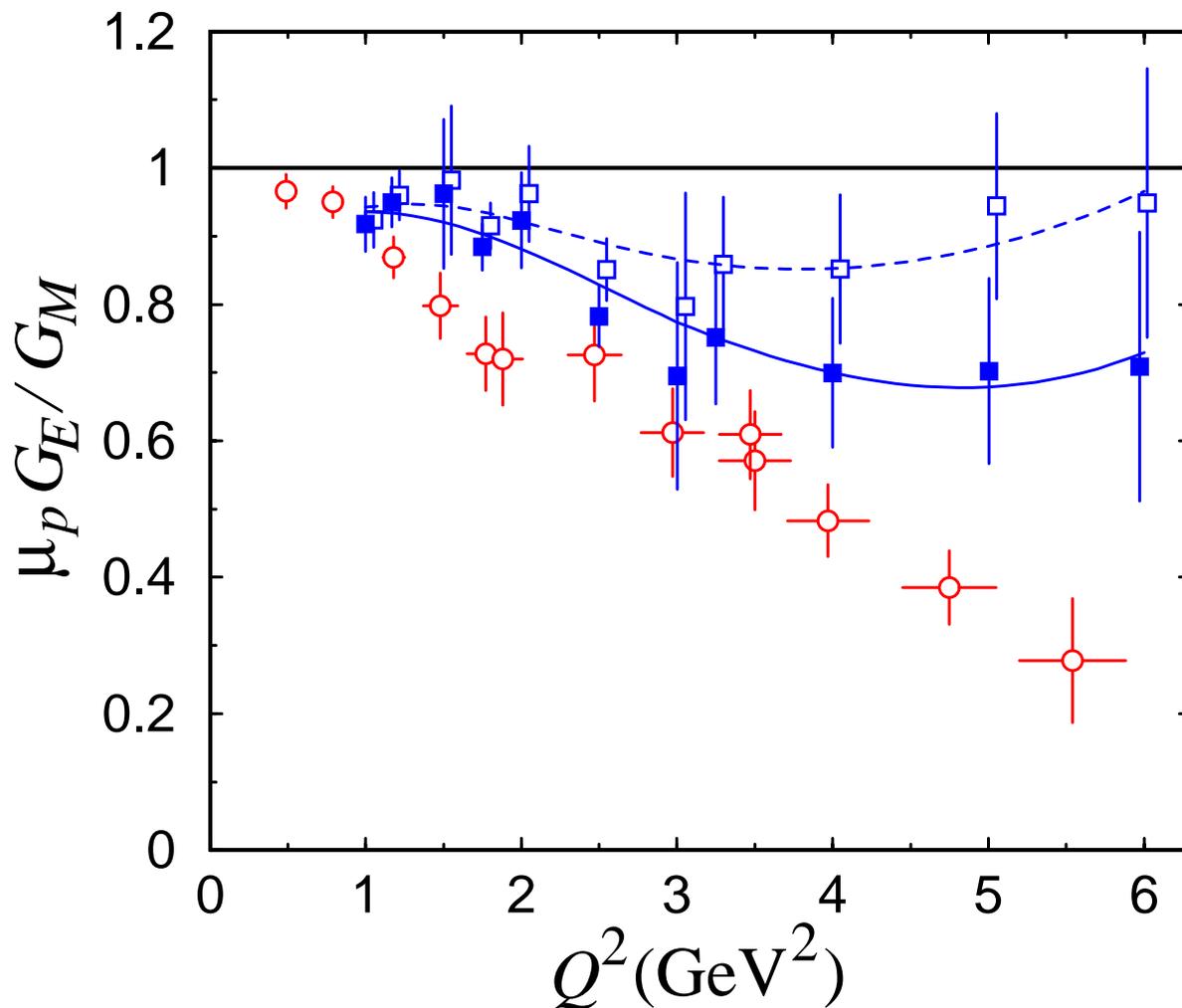
- **4 senior staff (100% university support)**
 - Carl Carlson (W&M)**
 - Chris Carone (W&M)**
 - Marc Sher (W&M)**
 - Peter Agbakpe (NSU)**
- **Numerous sabbatical visitors (supported by JLab)**
 - D. Diakanov (Nordita) - from Apr 04 (9 months)**
 - J. Tjon (Utrecht) - from Aug 03 (6 months)**
 - J. Laget (Saclay) – from May 04 (4months)**
 - D. Leinweber (CSSM) – from Aug 04 (2 months)**
- **1 postdoctoral fellow (external funding)**
 - Vladimir Pascalutsa (W&M, Gross DOE) - from Oct 03**
- **8 graduate students:**
 - 3 supported by JLab + 2 LSU (one LSU support, one SURA Fellowship)**
 - + 3 Adelaide University (with AWT)**

G_E^p/G_M^p as Measured by $(\vec{e}, e' \vec{p})$: Critical Data for Understanding Proton Structure



The combination of high intensity e beams and proton polarimetry has dramatically improved our knowledge of this fundamental system and raised important theoretical challenges

Estimate of 2-photon Exchange Effects



Blunden, Melnitchouk, Tjon, PRL (2003)

N only... so far



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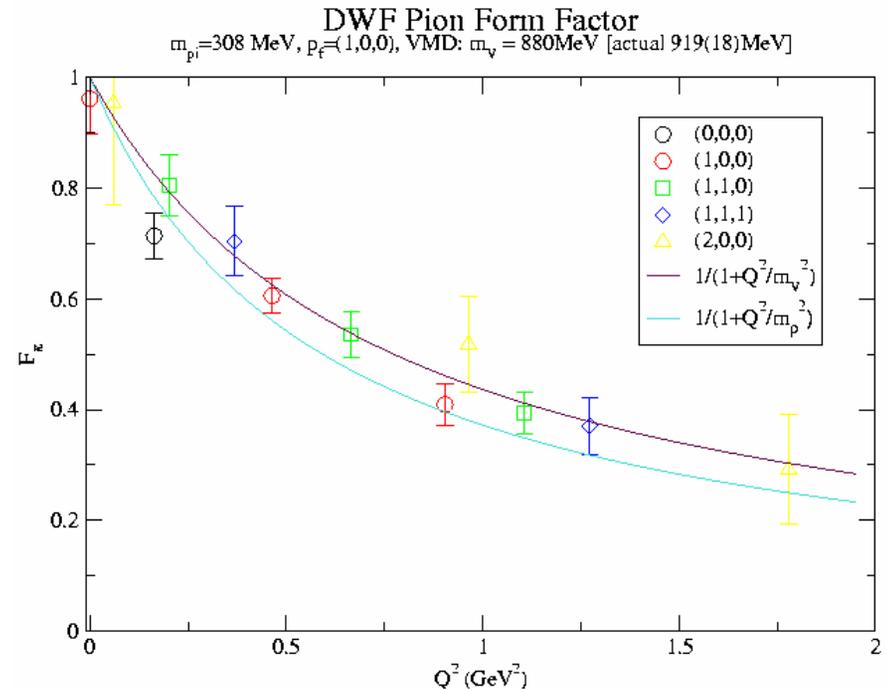
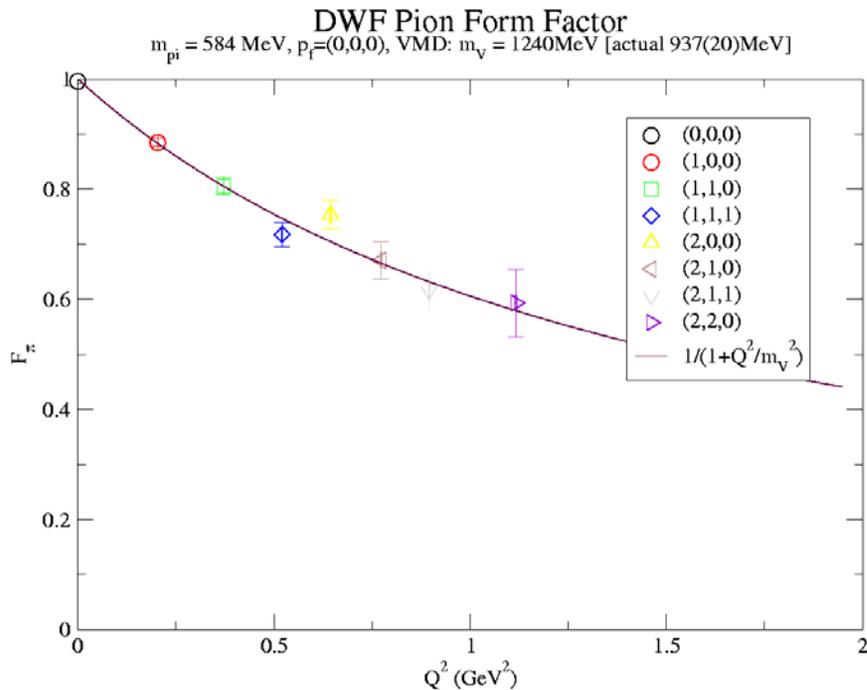


Partially Quenched DWF Form Factor

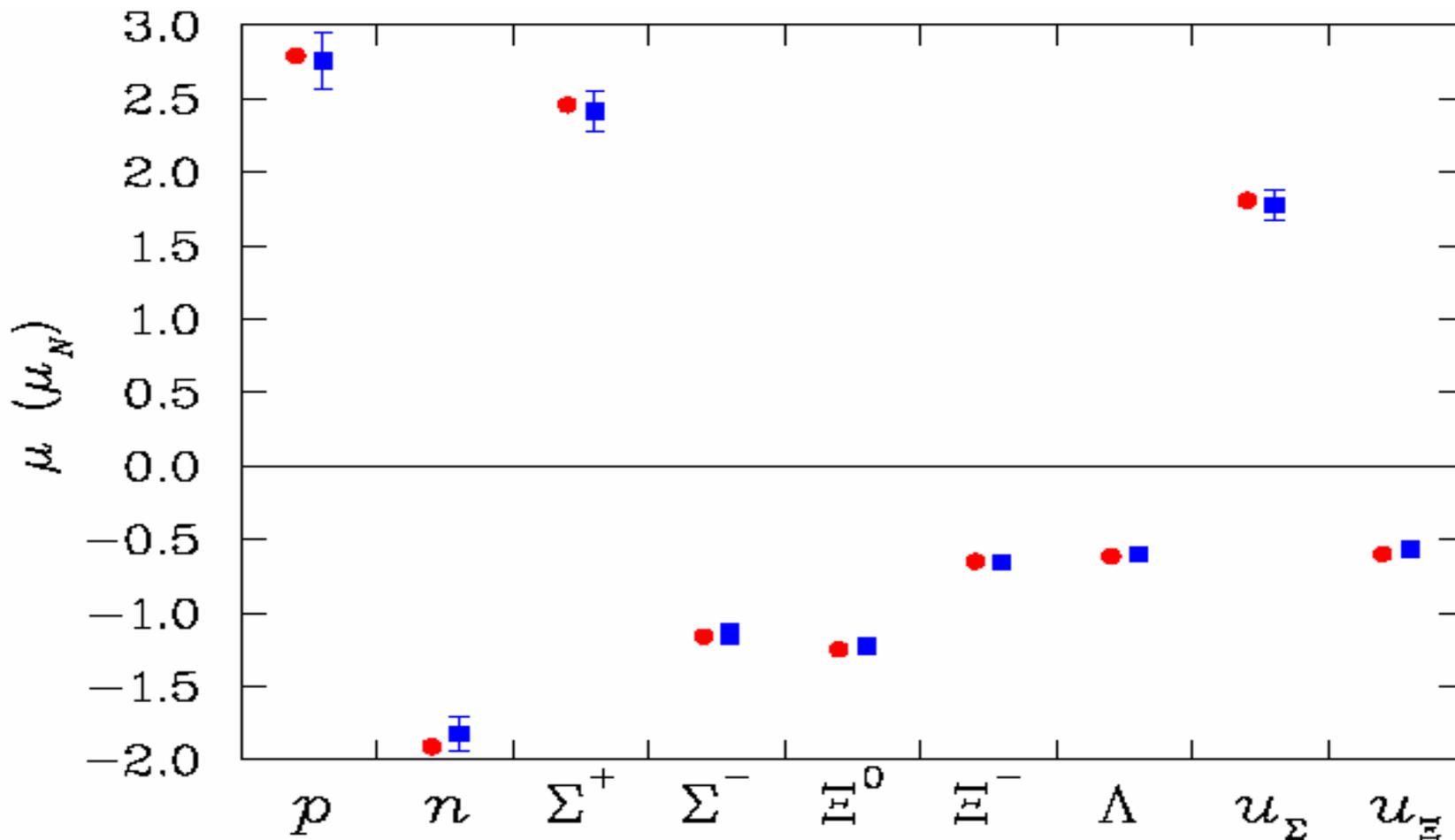
- **DWF $F_\pi(Q^2, t)$: LHPC (Edwards, Richards)**
 — Smaller mass close to experimental VMD.

$$\left. \frac{\partial F(Q^2)}{\partial Q^2} \right|_{Q^2=0} = \frac{1}{6} \langle r^2 \rangle \rightarrow \langle r^2 \rangle = \frac{6}{m_V^2}$$

- **Charge radius (crude analysis):**
 — Exp. $\langle r^2 \rangle = 0.439(8) \text{fm}^2$, VMD ! 0.405fm^2
 — Statistical: $0.156(5) \text{fm}^2$, $0.310(6) \text{fm}^2$ **strong mass dependence**



Octet Magnetic Moments



Leinweber, AWT, Young, hep-lat/0406003

s_ℓ may be estimated from the Kaon loop integrals

- Regulated by a dipole form factor with $\Lambda = 0.8 \text{ GeV}$

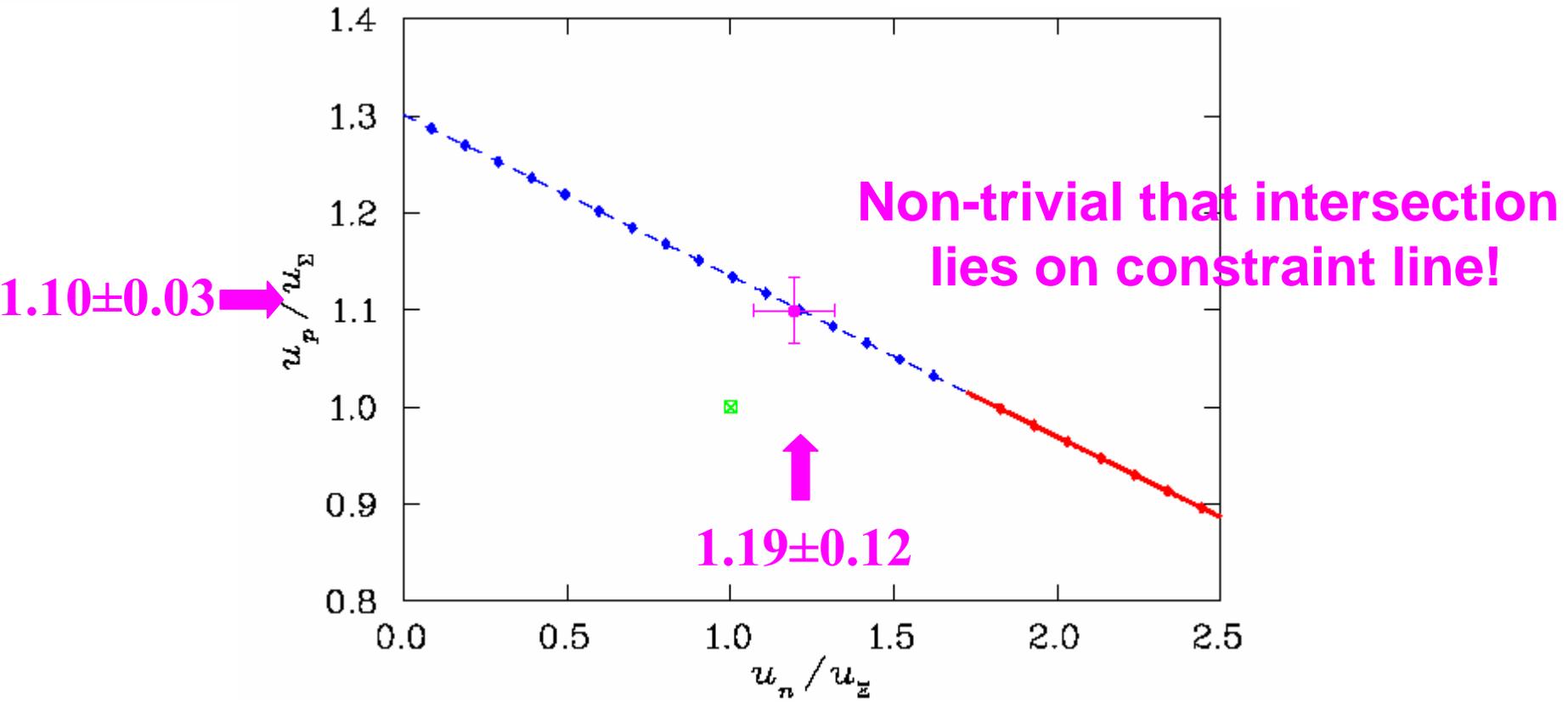
(dots are steps of $0.01 \mu_N$)

$${}^\ell R_d^s = \frac{s_\ell}{d_\ell} = \frac{-0.036}{-0.258} = 0.140$$

Hence $G_M^s = -0.051 \pm 0.021 \mu_N$

- Repeating the calculation for $\Lambda = 0.8 \pm 0.2 \text{ GeV}$ provides

$${}^\ell R_d^s = \frac{s_\ell}{d_\ell} = 0.140 \pm 0.040$$



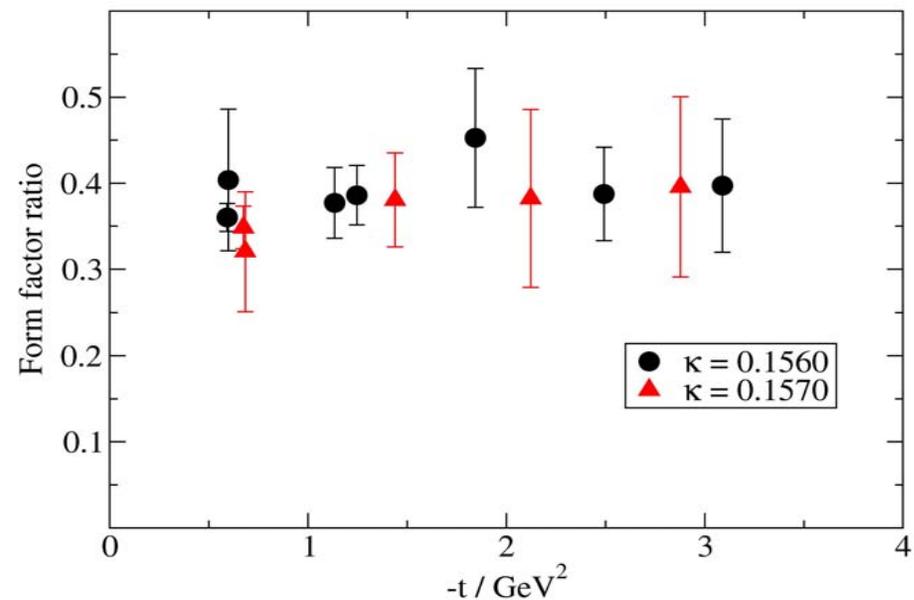
Generalized Parton Distributions

- Off-forward matrix elements related to moments of **H, E**
- Lowest moments give form factors: $A_{10}(t) = F_1(t)$, $B_{10}(t) = F_2(t)$

$$A_{n0} = \int dx x^{n-1} H(x, 0, t); B_{n0} = \int dx x^{n-1} E(x, 0, t)$$

- Asymptotic behavior of F_2/F_1 (Belitsky, Ji, Yuan)

$$\frac{Q^2 F_2(Q^2)}{\log^2(Q^2 / \Lambda^2) F_1(Q^2)} \sim \text{const}$$



LHPC/SESAM, hep-lat/0404009
(Edwards, Fleming, Richards at JLab)

New Theory Initiatives at JLab

- **Make JLab international focus of theoretical work in hadron physics ; expanded visitor & sabbatical program**
- **Expand LQCD effort to world-class computational capability**
- **Strengthen support of the experimental program through the establishment of the **Excited Baryon Analysis Center (EBAC)** (linked to PWA/Hall D initiative) at JLab**

Lattice QCD Initiative – Software and Hardware

- **Software developments:**

- **QCD-API:** portable programming interface for diverse computational platforms. Development of QDP++, a C++ implementation, led by **Edwards**

- Implementation of LHPC physics program being performed by **Edwards, Fleming and Richards**

- **Hardware developments:**

- **128-node Pentium IV cluster connected by Myrinet commissioned in Sep 02; tackling key problems including moments of structure functions and GPD's**

- **256-node Pentium IV grid-based machine connected by GigE; aggregate computational capability of around 400 Gflops**

- **Prototype machines for envisioned multi-Tflops facility**

Clusters at Jefferson Laboratory - *SciDAC*

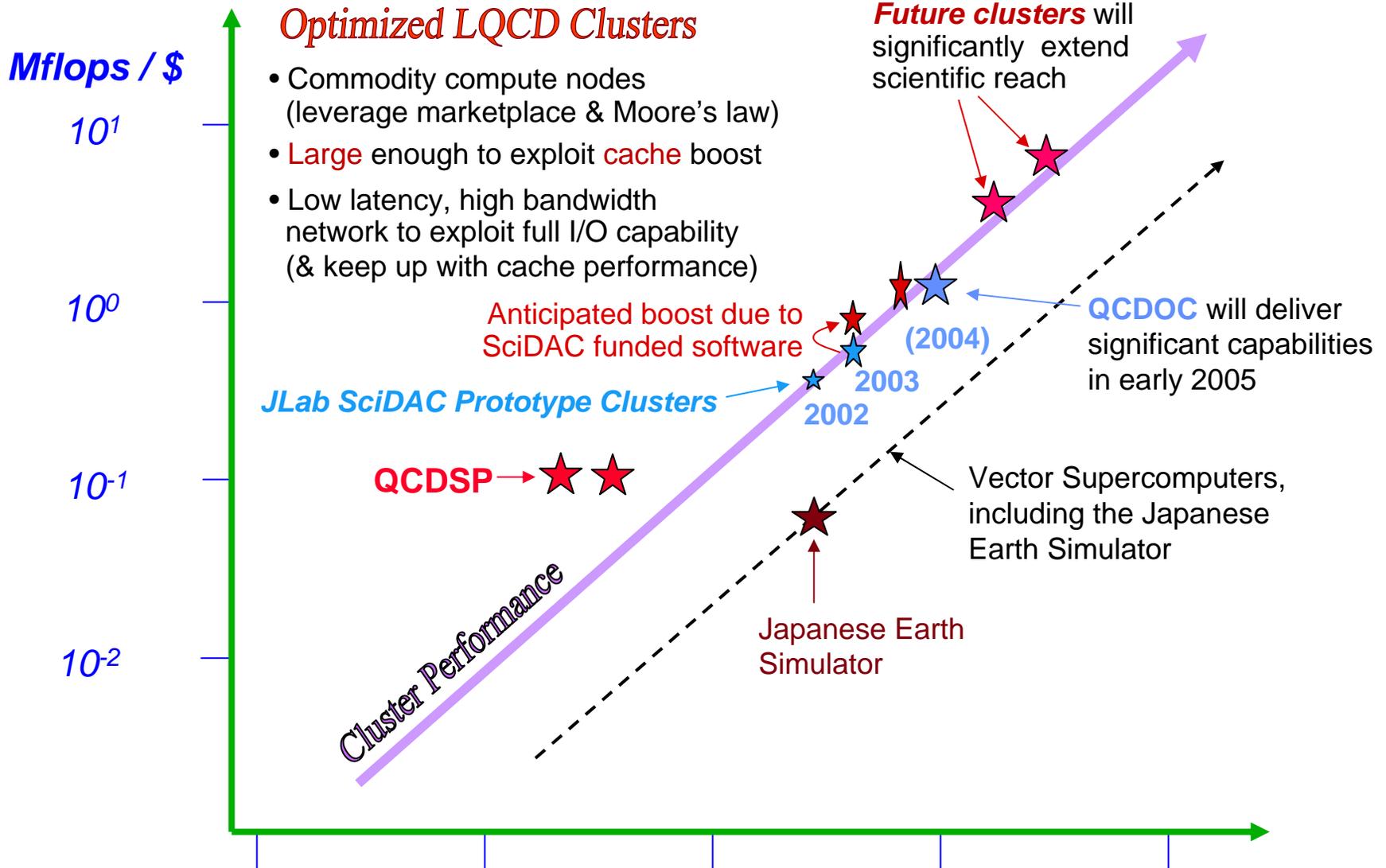


128-node P4 Xeon, with Myrinet

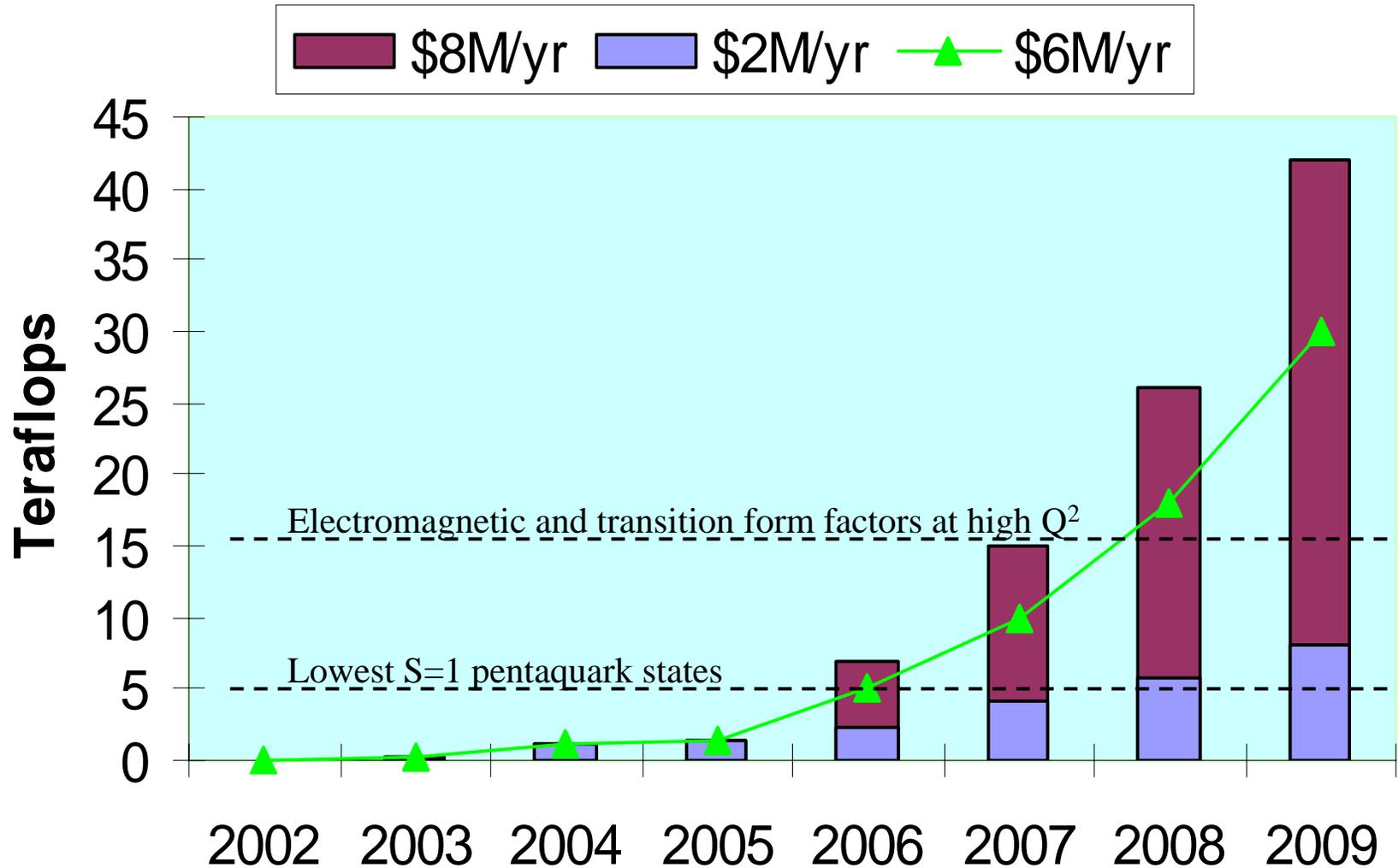


256-node P4 Xeon, with 3d gigE torus

Performance per Dollar for Typical LQCD Applications



Jefferson Lab Teraflops for 3 Funding Scenarios



LQCD Hadron Physics Roadmap

Tflops-yrs	
1-5	QQCD: N^* spectroscopy ; pentaquarks; valence PDFs & GPDs
5-10	Lighter quark (large volume): GPDs; (transition) form factors; spectroscopy
10-50	Flavor singlet distributions; high-Q^2 form factors; gluon structure
50-500	Fully consistent valence & sea computations; decay widths.....
Open problems	Functional form of PDFs & GPDs; light nuclei...

N* Spectrum

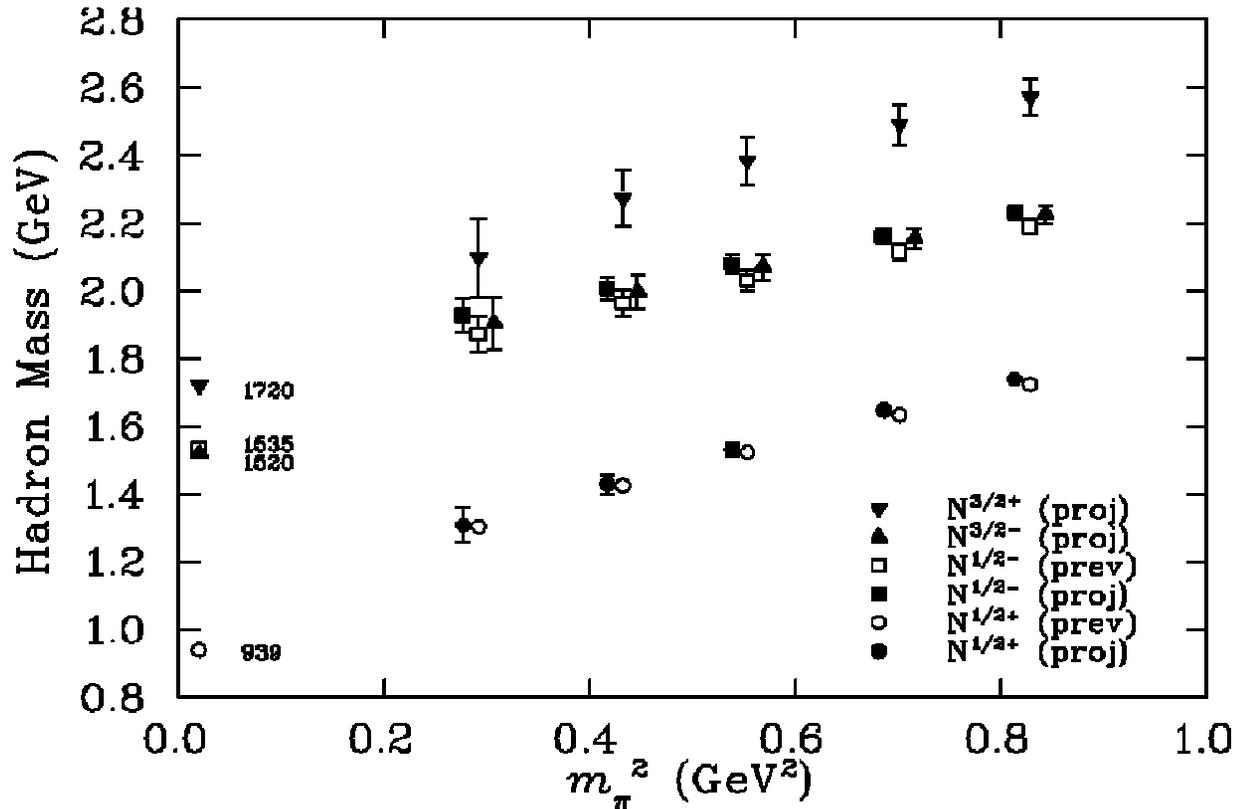
- First generation calculations – largely for quarks masses around that of *strange quark*

Zanotti et al,
PRD68, 054506

• Spectrum in accord with naïve *oscillator quark model* at large m_q

$$M_N < M_{N\ 1/2-} < M_{N^* 1/2+}$$

• Development of tools to extract radial excitations LHPC, hep-lat/0312003



Nature of Roper, $\Lambda(1405)$,...??

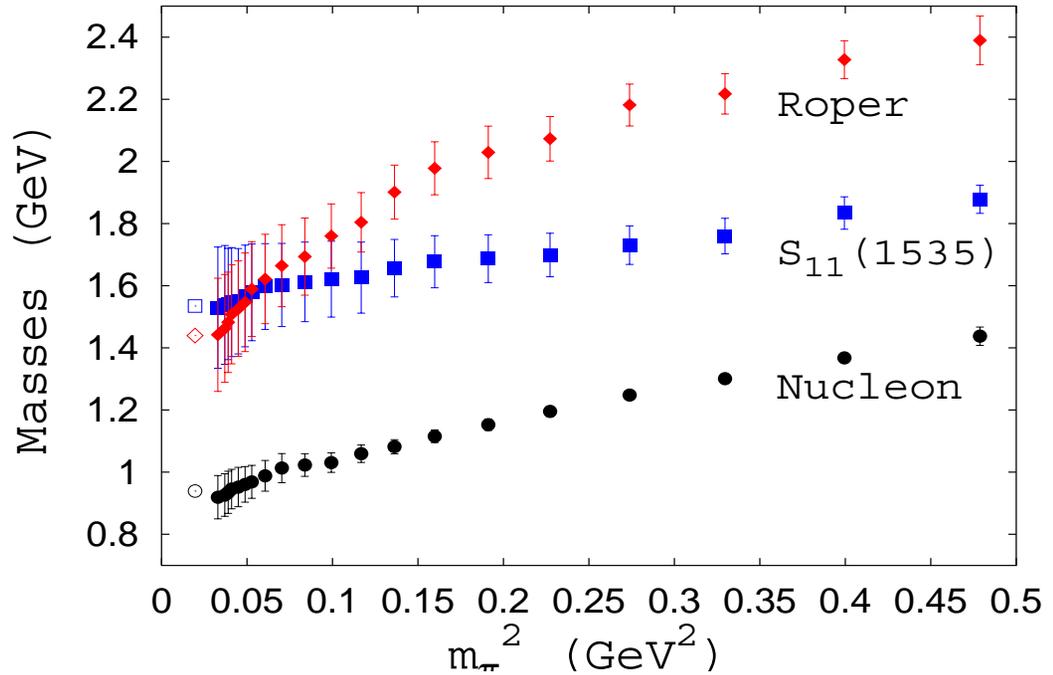
Roper Resonance

- Roper resonance at light quark masses

S.J. Dong et al, hep-ph/0306199

- Bayesian statistics and constrained curve fitting?

- *Roper predominantly a three-quark state?*



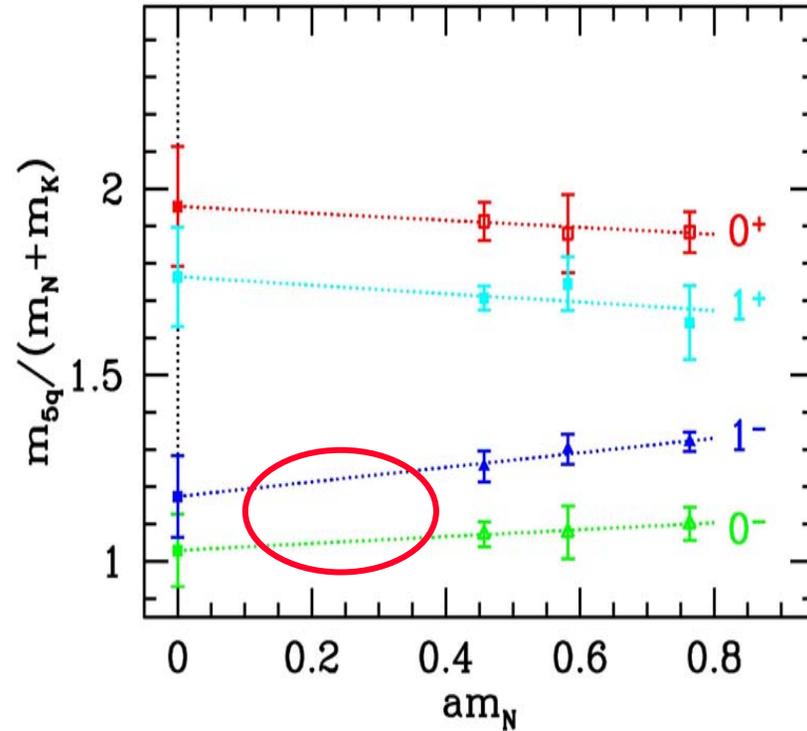
Physics at physical values of the pion mass very different from the heavy-quark regime

Pentaquarks

- First tentative lattice results (Csikor et al, Sasaki), $I = 0$, spin $1/2$.
- Need to isolate “resonance” from two-body spectrum
- Require study of full spectrum – & various interpolating fields...

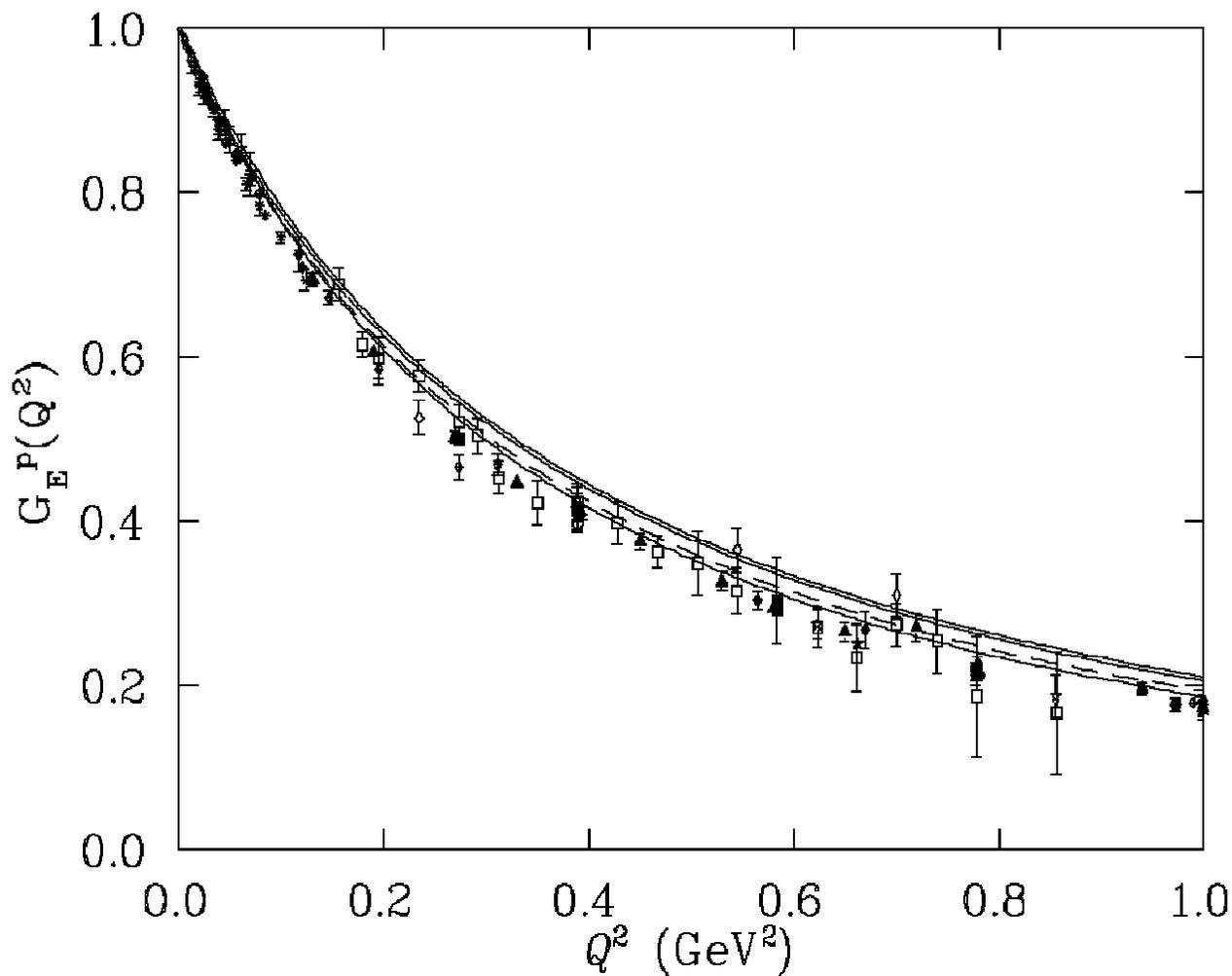
Bottom line dependent on χ' al extrapolation

- Higher spin states require construction of operators in IR of cubic symmetry of lattice
- Method developed for fermionic states in hep-lat/0312003 (Richards, Edwards .. at JLab)
- Computations of baryon operators in G_1 , G_2 and H IR's in progress



J	$n_{G_1}^J$	$n_{G_2}^J$	n_H^J
1/2	1	0	0
3/2	0	0	1
5/2	0	1	1
7/2	1	1	1
9/2	1	0	2

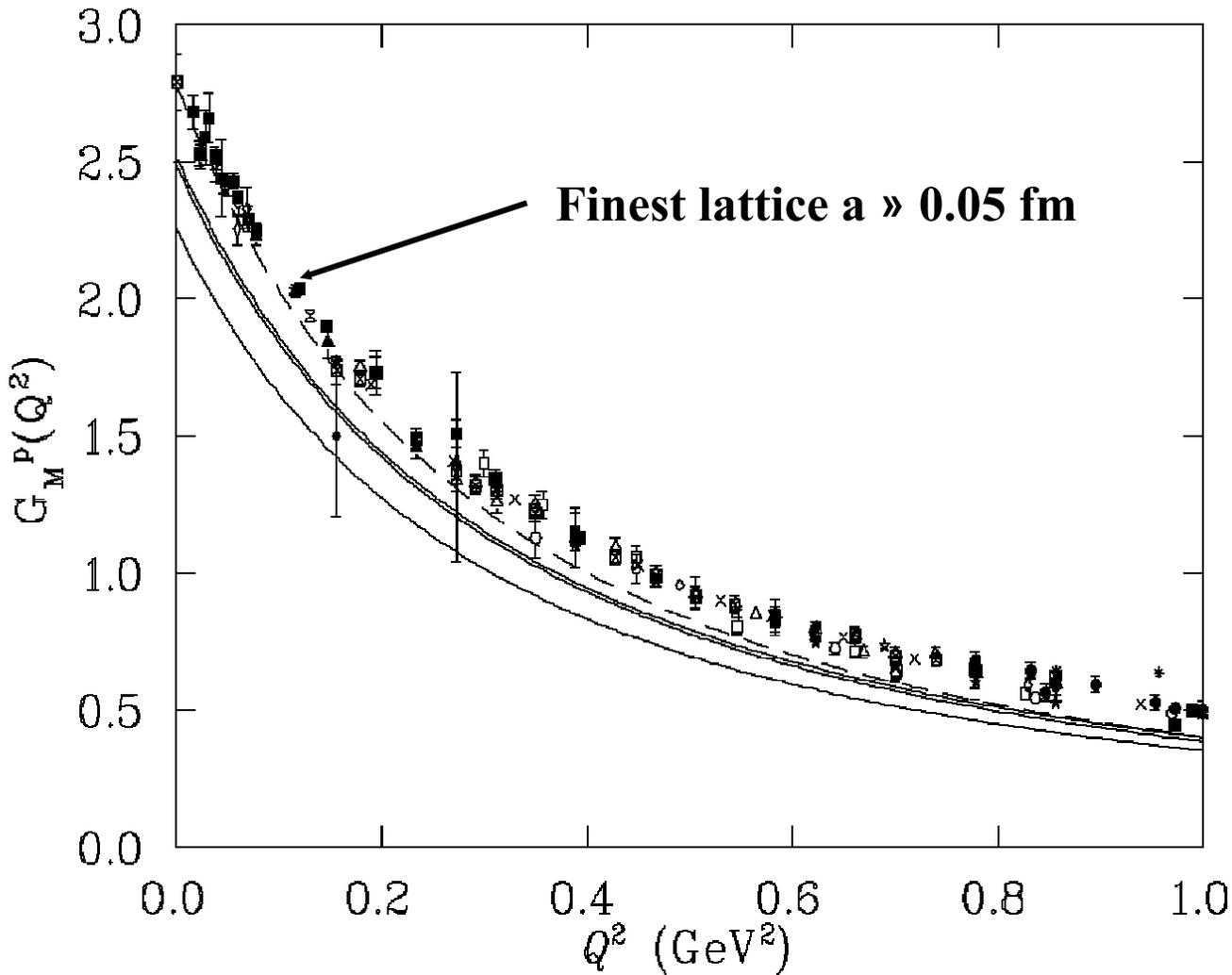
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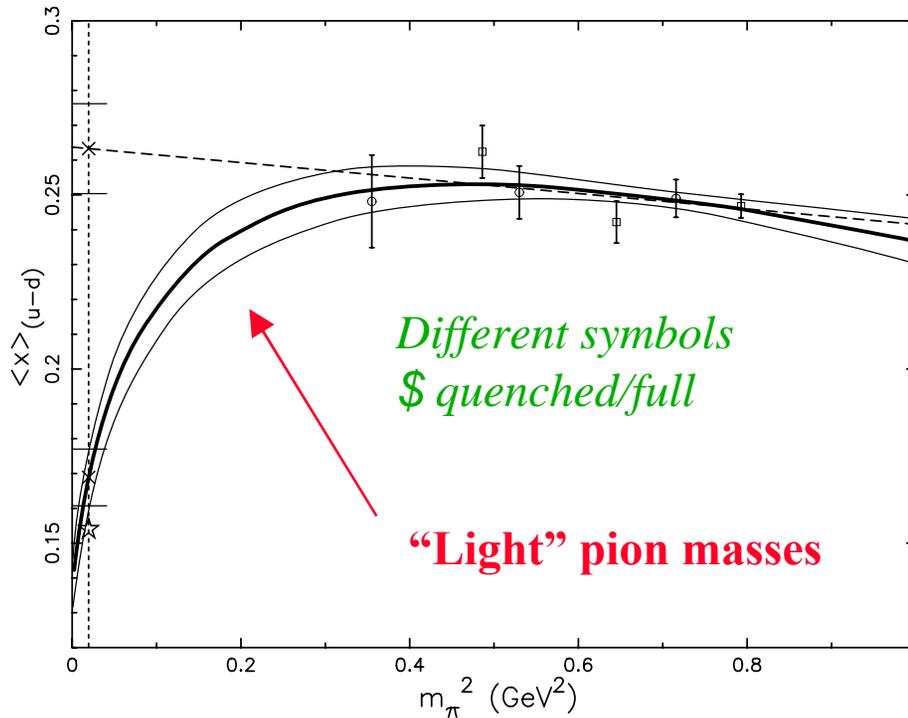
Lattice data:
Gockeler et al.
(QCDSF), hep-
lat/0303019 –
Wilson fermions

Chiral
Extrapolation:
Ashley et al.
(CSSM), Nucl.
Phys. A721 (2003)
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Chiral Extrapolation of G_M^p



DIS – Chiral Extrapolations



Physics of pion cloud crucial for making contact with experiment.

Lowest moment of unpolarized Structure function – *momentum carried by valence quarks in Nucleon*

- Physics of pion cloud... *Detmold et al., hep-lat/0103006*

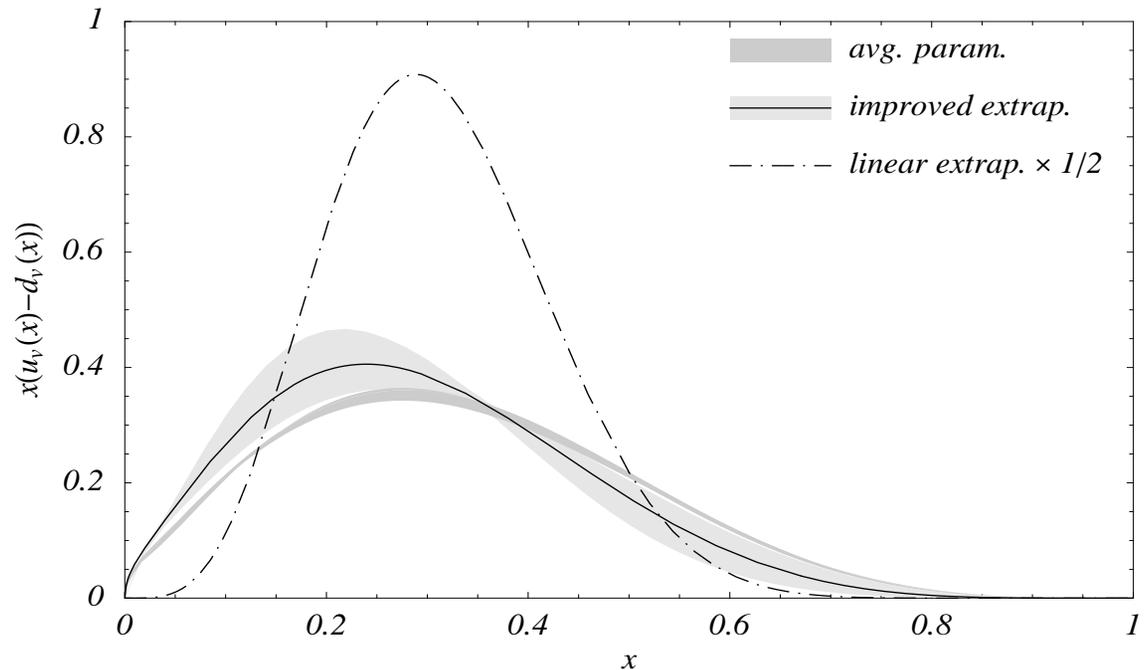
$$\langle x^n \rangle_u - \langle x^n \rangle_d \sim a_n \left[1 - \frac{(3g_A^2 + 1)m_\pi^2}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2} \ln \left(\frac{m_\pi^2}{m_\pi^2 + \mu^2} \right) \right] + b_n m_\pi^2$$

Shape...

- Calculations give moments of distributions
- Higher moments harder - hypercubic symmetry...
- **Can we recover shape from knowledge of, say, first three moments?**

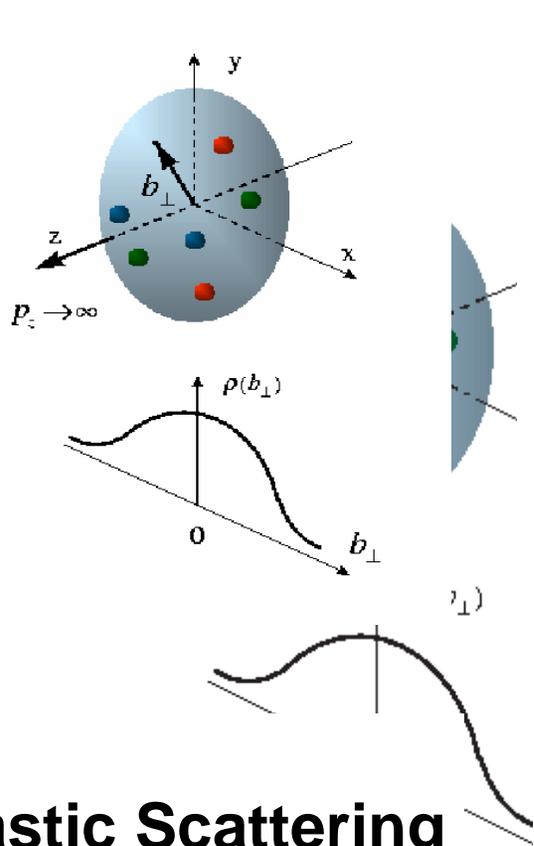
Detmold, Melnitchouk,
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Employs
parametrization
strongly motivated by
experiment

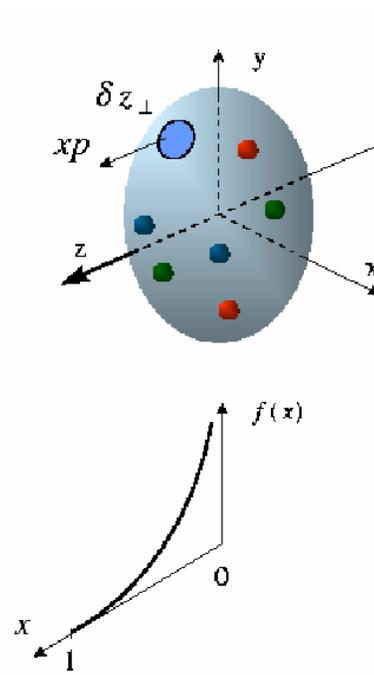


$$x(u_v(x) - d_v(x)) = a x^b (1-x)^c (1 + \varepsilon \sqrt{x} + \gamma x) \quad \leftarrow \text{Model dependence}$$

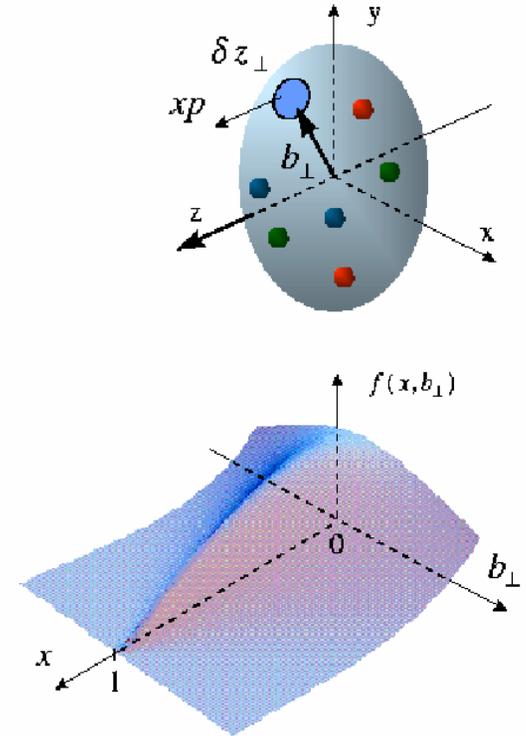
Proton Properties Measured in Different Experiments



Elastic Scattering
transverse quark
distribution in
Coordinate space

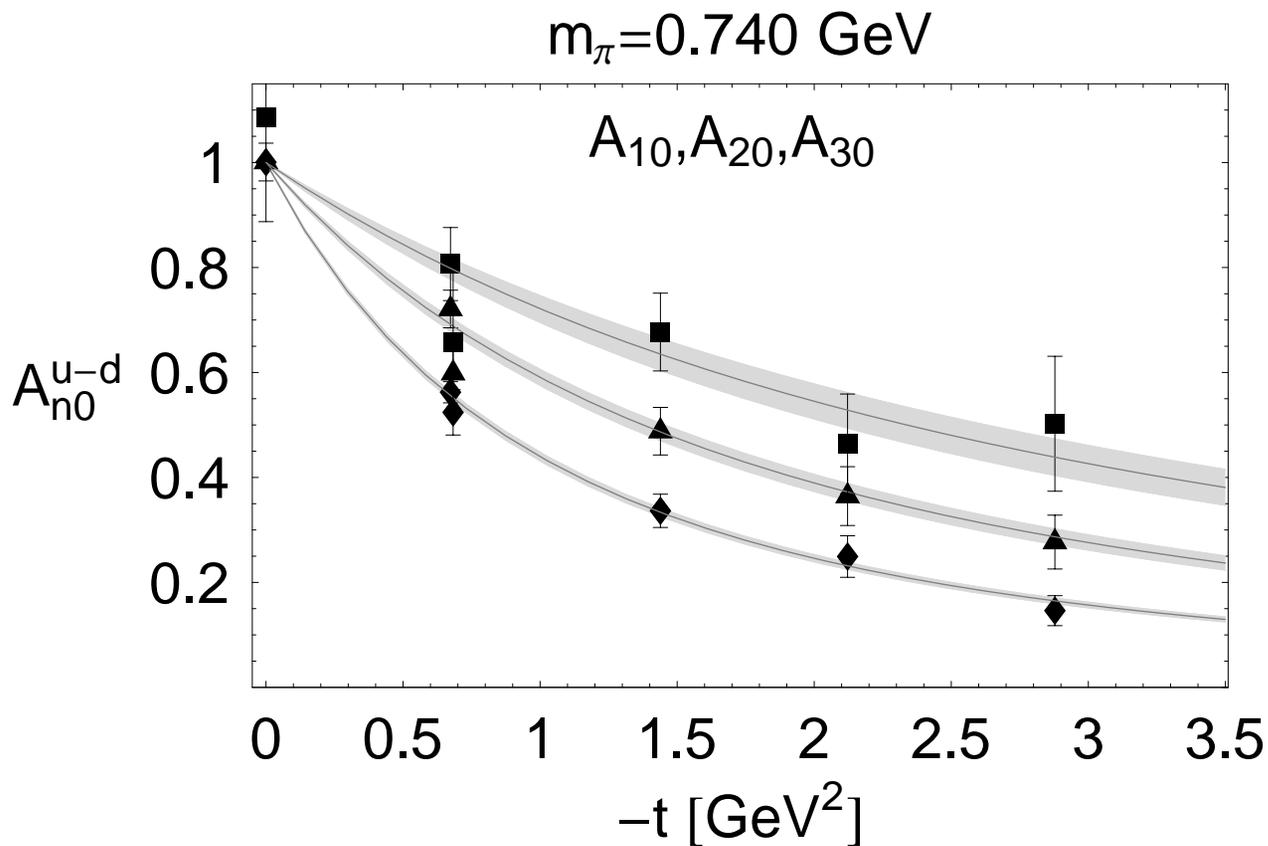


DIS
longitudinal
quark distribution
in momentum space



DES (GPDs)
Fully-correlated
quark distribution in
both coordinate and
momentum space

Generalized form factors...

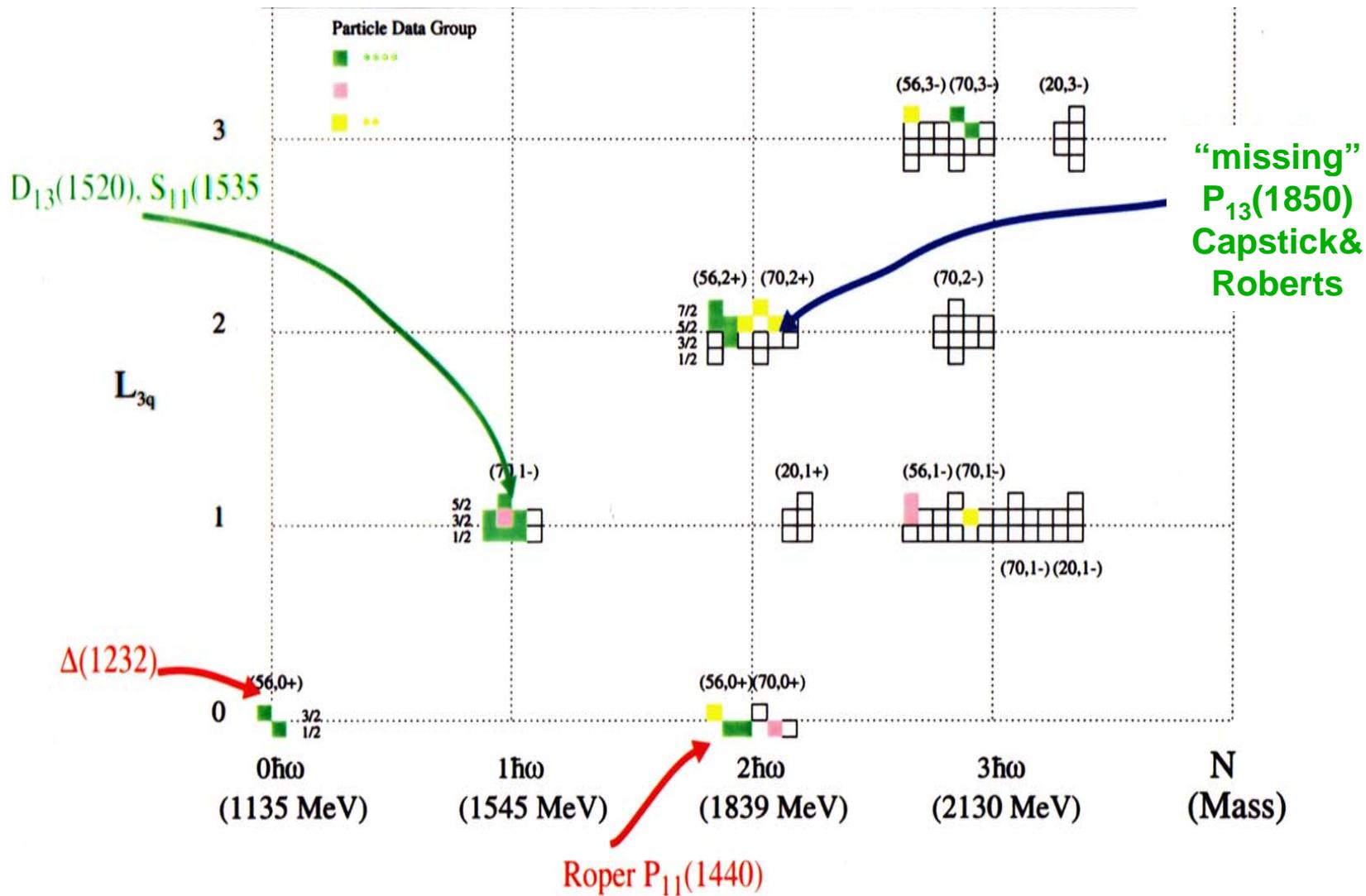


LHPC
(Edwards et al..)

Decrease slope : decreasing transverse size as $x \rightarrow 1$

Burkardt

The Search for “Missing States” in the Quark Model Classification of N^*



Excited-Baryon Analysis Center

A proposal for the establishment of an excited-baryon analysis center at JLab

- **Role:** To develop theoretical tools (e.g. coupled channel; EFT) to analyze existing & future CLAS data
- **Scientific relevance:**
 - i)** identify new baryon resonances
 - ii)** measure couplings & transition form factors
 - iii)** comparison with LQCD
 - iv)** deepen understanding of how QCD is realized
- **Critical theoretical issues:**
 - i)** background-resonance separation
 - ii)** incorporation of multi-particle final states
 - iii)** importance of unitarity, analyticity...

Proposed Structure of EBAC

- Senior theorist with a broad knowledge of hadronic and electromagnetic interactions, reaction theory, and the methods used in phenomenological analysis
- Mid- and junior-level staff positions and term/visiting positions for theorists and experimentalists to advance the program and to interface with relevant groups. Strong workshop/visitor program.
- Independent, Expert Scientific Advisory Board
- Total budget ~ \$ 700k per year (+overhead)

S&T Review 2003: “A critical need in the overall JLab program is to have a systematic effort dedicated to analysis of photo- and electro-production of baryons and mesons. The theory group, in concert with the needs of the experimental collaborations, has begun to formulate a plan to establish an N* Analysis Center.

We applaud this long-needed initiative.”

Close Working Link Between Baryon and Meson Analysis

PHYSICAL REVIEW D **68**, 036003 (2003)

Meson model for $f_0(980)$ production in peripheral pion-nucleon reactions

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The Jülich model for $\pi\pi$ scattering, based on an effective meson-meson Lagrangian, is applied to the analysis of the S -wave production amplitudes derived from the BNL E852 experiment $\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 n$ for a pion momentum of 18.3 GeV and the GAMS experiments performed at 38 GeV and 100 GeV. The unexpected strong dependence of the S -wave partial wave amplitude on the momentum transfer between the proton and neutron in the vicinity of the $f_0(980)$ resonance is explained in our analysis as an interference effect between the resonance and the nonresonant background.

Conclusion

Further development of Theory at JLab is vital to:

- **Success of present experimental program**
- **Design and implementation of the 12 GeV Upgrade**
- **Development of the case for Hadron Physics Beyond 12 GeV**