Pion and kaon structure from Mellin moments of PDFs and GPDs

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Relevant publications

The Mellin moments (x) and (x²) for the pion and kaon from lattice QCD,
 C. Alexandrou, S. Bacchio, I. Cloët, M. Constantinou, K. Hadjiyiannakou, G. Koutsou, C. Lauer PRD 103, 014508 (2021), [arXiv:2010.03495]

The pion and kaon (x³) from lattice QCD and PDF reconstruction from Mellin moments,
 C. Alexandrou, S. Bacchio, I. Cloët, M. Constantinou, K. Hadjiyiannakou, G. Koutsou, C. Lauer PRD 104 (2021) 5, 054504, [arXiv:2104.02247]

The scalar, vector and tensor form factors for the pion and kaon from lattice QCD,
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A. Motivation

- **B.** Mellin moments in lattice QCD
- **C.** Reconstruction of PDFs
- D. SU(3) flavor symmetry breaking
- E. Form factors

F. Summary

Pions and Kaons

- ★ Non-perturbative nature of QCD leads to emergent phenomena such as massive hadrons even at the chiral limit
- ★ QCD exhibits dynamical chiral symmetry breaking (DCSB) gives rise to Nambu-Goldstone boson (e.g., pions and kaons)
- ★ Exploring the quark and gluon structure of pions and kaons can shed light in the interplay and connections between the trace anomaly and DCSB
- **Experimental data only for the pion (pion induced Drell-Yan reaction)** and for the limited region $x \in [0.21 - 0.99]$ [J. S. Conway et al., PRD 39, 92 (1989)]

★ Contradictory conclusions on the large-x behavior of pion PDF:

- initial E615 data show a $(1 x)^1$ behavior [R. Holt et al., RMP 82, 2991 (2010)], [M. Aicher et al., PRL 105, 252003 (2010)]
- reanalysis of E615 data shows a $(1 x)^2$ fall
- DSE predict $(1 x)^2$ fall [K. Bednar et al. PRL 124, 042002 (2020)]
- Lattice QCD calculations do not reach to a consensus [M. Constantinou, EPJA 57, 77 (2021), arXiv:2010.02445]
- Direct interest in JLab 12 GeV



EIC will address pion and kaon structure

[EIC Yellow Report, arXiv:2103.05419], [Aguilar et al., EPJA 55, 190 (2019)]

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[7]. D. Brommel, Ph.D. thesis (2007)

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★ Avoiding mixing increases the computational cost!

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Non-perturbative Renormalization



 $\bigstar \qquad \textbf{RI' scheme (democratic momenta)} \\ Z_q^{-1} Z_{\mathcal{O}} \frac{1}{12} \text{Tr} \left[\Gamma_{\mathcal{O}}^L(p) \left(\Gamma_{\mathcal{O}}^{\text{Born}}(p) \right)^{-1} \right] \Big|_{p^2 = \mu_0^2} = 1 \\ Z_q = \frac{1}{12} \text{Tr} \left[(S^L(p))^{-1} S^{\text{Born}}(p) \right] \Big|_{p^2 = \mu_0^2} \\ (ap) \equiv 2\pi \left(\frac{n_t}{L_t} + \frac{1}{2L_t}, \frac{n_x}{L_s}, \frac{n_x}{L_s}, \frac{n_x}{L_s} \right) \qquad \tilde{\sum}_i p_i^4 / (\sum_i p_i^2)^2 < 0.3 \end{cases}$

[M. Constantinou et al., JHEP 08, 068 (2010), arXiv:1004.1115]

★ Chiral extrapolation (negligible)

	$\beta = 1.726, \ a = 0.093 \text{ f}$	m
$a\mu$	am_{PS}	lattice size
0.0060	0.1680	$24^3 \times 48$
0.0080	0.1916	$24^3 \times 48$
0.0100	0.2129	$24^3 \times 48$
0.0115	0.2293	$24^3 \times 48$
0.0130	0.2432	$24^3 \times 48$

- **★** Subtraction of $\mathcal{O}(g^2 a^{\infty})$
 - [M. Constantinou et al., PRD 91, 014502 (2015), arXiv:1408.6047]
- **★** Conversion & evolution to $\overline{MS}(2 \text{ GeV})$

$$Z^{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}_{\mathcal{O}}(a\mu_0) = Z^{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}_{\mathcal{O}}(2\,\mathrm{GeV}) + Z^{(1)}_{\mathcal{O}}\cdot(a\,\mu_0)^2$$

Recapitulation

★ Matrix elements of pion and kaon coupled with local operators

\star Isolation of ground state

★ Renormalization

★ Extraction of Mellin moments



Mellin Moments



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	Pion	
t_s/a	$\langle x^2 \rangle^u_\pi$	$\langle x^3 \rangle^u_\pi$
12	0.110(6)	0.026(17)
14	0.114(5)	0.031(15)
16	0.105(9)	0.025(23)
18	0.099(15)	0.026(39)
2-state	0.110(7)	0.024(18)

Kaon

t_s/a	$\langle x^2 \rangle_K^u$	$\langle x^2 \rangle_K^s$	$\langle x^3 \rangle_K^u$	$\langle x^3 \rangle^s_K$
12	0.101(2)	0.146(2)	0.043(7)	00.079(6)
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16	0.096(2)	0.139(2)	0.037(6)	0.077(5)
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-state	0.096(2)	0.139(2)	0.033(6)	0.073(5)







 \star Excited-states contamination not as prominent as for $\langle x \rangle$

Effect of excited states non negligible for PDF analysis

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$$q_M^f(x) = N x^{\alpha} (1-x)^{\beta} (1+\rho\sqrt{x+\gamma}x)$$

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- ★ 3-parameter fit not very stable
- $\star \beta$ governs large-*x* behavior
- **★** Lattice data favor $(1 x)^2$ decay



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- **★** Estimating γ is competing with other parameters (information up to $\langle x^3 \rangle$)
- ★ PDFs shape compatible for both fits

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