

Generalised parton distributions from full lattice QCD

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long term goal:
structure of the nucleon in terms of its constituents
(quarks and gluons)

information on the internal structure of the nucleon
from, e.g., lepton-nucleon scattering experiments

electromagnetic form factors (FFs)



generalised parton distributions (GPDs)



structure functions (parton densities)

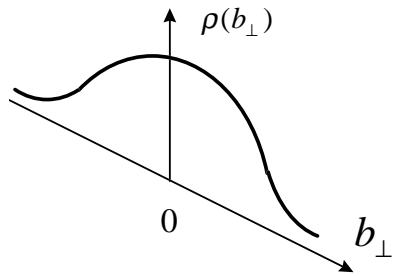
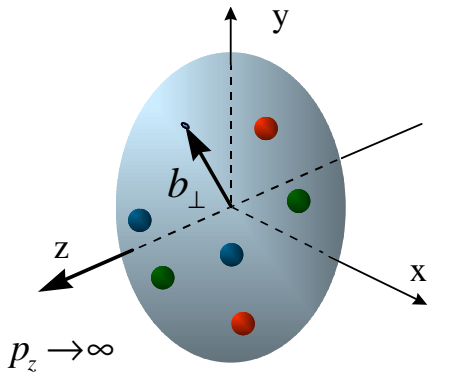


lattice calculations required!

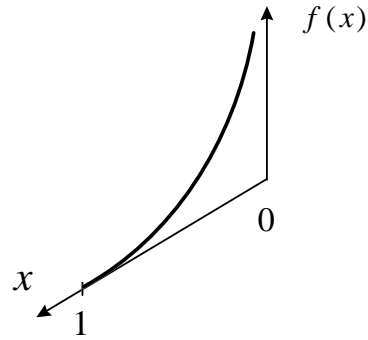
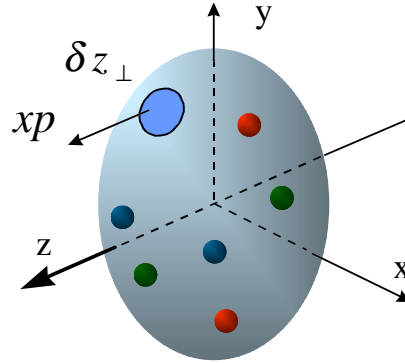
further results from other groups: LHPC, SESAM, . . .

no detailed comparison attempted

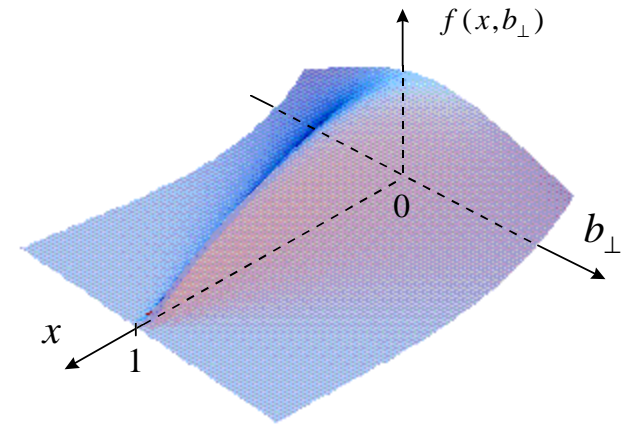
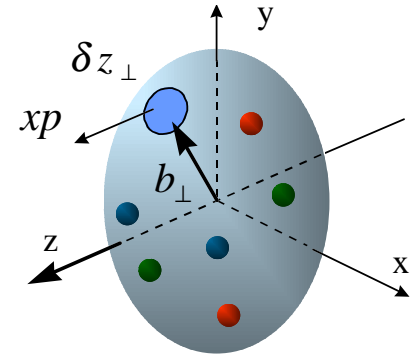
form factor



parton density



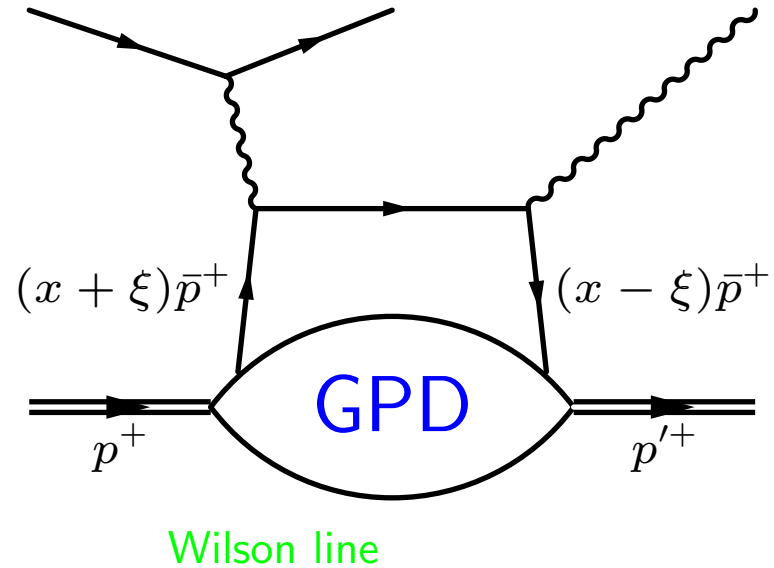
GPD at $\xi = 0$



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probabilistic interpretation in impact parameter space (M. Burkardt)
 expect: $f(x, \vec{b}_{\perp}) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 1} \delta(\vec{b}_{\perp})$

Formal definition of GPDs



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{i\lambda x} \langle p' | \bar{q}(-\frac{1}{2}\lambda n) \not{n} \mathcal{U} q(\frac{1}{2}\lambda n) | p \rangle \\
 & = H_q(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \not{n} u(p) + E_q(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} n_\mu \Delta_\nu}{2M_N} u(p)
 \end{aligned}$$

dependence on renormalisation scale suppressed

$\bar{p} = \frac{1}{2}(p' + p)$, $\Delta = p' - p$, n : light-like vector with $\bar{p} \cdot n = 1$

GPDs depend on x , $\xi = -n \cdot \Delta/2$, $t = \Delta^2$

normal parton distributions: $\Delta = 0$ (forward matrix elements) $\Rightarrow \xi = 0$

for a lattice calculation: matrix elements of local operators

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle p' | \mathcal{O}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}^q | p \rangle &= \bar{u}(p') \gamma_{(\mu_1} u(p) \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} A_{n,2i}^q(t) \Delta_{\mu_2} \cdots \Delta_{\mu_{2i+1}} \bar{p}_{\mu_{2i+2}} \cdots \bar{p}_{\mu_n}) \\
 &\quad - \frac{\bar{u}(p') i \Delta^\alpha \sigma_{\alpha(\mu_1} u(p)}{2M_N} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} B_{n,2i}^q(t) \Delta_{\mu_2} \cdots \Delta_{\mu_{2i+1}} \bar{p}_{\mu_{2i+2}} \cdots \bar{p}_{\mu_n}) \\
 &\quad + C_n^q(t) \text{Mod}(n+1, 2) \frac{1}{M_N} \bar{u}(p') u(p) \Delta_{(\mu_1} \cdots \Delta_{\mu_n)}
 \end{aligned}$$

(\cdots): symmetrisation and subtraction of trace terms

twist-2 operators: $\mathcal{O}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}^q = \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^{n-1} \bar{q} \gamma_{(\mu_1} \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_2} \cdots \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_n)} q$ with $\overleftrightarrow{D} = \overrightarrow{D} - \overleftarrow{D}$

A, B, C : generalised form factors (GFFs) \leftrightarrow moments of GPDs

$$n = 1: \langle p' | \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q | p \rangle = \bar{u}(p') \gamma_\mu u(p) A_{1,0}^q(t) - \frac{\bar{u}(p') i \Delta^\alpha \sigma_{\alpha\mu} u(p)}{2M_N} B_{1,0}^q(t)$$

hence: $A_{1,0}^q(t) = F_1^q(t)$, $B_{1,0}^q(t) = F_2^q(t)$ contribution of flavour q

particularly convenient for a lattice calculation: flavour non-singlet (isovector) operators ($u - d$)

Calculating nucleon matrix elements on the lattice

interpolating field for the proton (neutron by interchanging u and d)

$$B_\alpha(t, \vec{p}) = \sum_{x, x_4=t} e^{-i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \epsilon_{ijk} u_\alpha^i(x) u_\beta^j(x) (C^{-1} \gamma_5)_{\beta\gamma} d_\gamma^k(x)$$

$$\bar{B}_\alpha(t, \vec{p}) = \sum_{x, x_4=t} e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \epsilon_{ijk} \bar{d}_\beta^i(x) (\gamma_5 C)_{\beta\gamma} \bar{u}_\gamma^j(x) \bar{u}_\alpha^k(x)$$

+ smearing

$$C \gamma_\mu^T C^{-1} = -\gamma_\mu$$

On a lattice with time extent T we have for the nucleon 2-point function:

$$\langle B(t) \bar{B}(0) \rangle \stackrel{T \rightarrow \infty}{\equiv} \langle 0 | B e^{-Ht} \bar{B} | 0 \rangle \stackrel{t \rightarrow \infty}{\equiv} \langle 0 | B | N \rangle e^{-E_N t} \langle N | \bar{B} | 0 \rangle + \dots$$

momentum 0: $E_N = M_N$

3-point function with $t > \tau > 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle B(t) \mathcal{O}(\tau) \bar{B}(0) \rangle &\stackrel{T \rightarrow \infty}{\equiv} \langle 0 | B e^{-H(t-\tau)} \mathcal{O} e^{-H\tau} \bar{B} | 0 \rangle \\ &= \langle 0 | B | N \rangle e^{-E_N(t-\tau)} \langle N | \mathcal{O} | N \rangle e^{-E_N \tau} \langle N | \bar{B} | 0 \rangle + \dots \\ &= \langle 0 | B | N \rangle e^{-E_N t} \langle N | \bar{B} | 0 \rangle \langle N | \mathcal{O} | N \rangle + \dots \end{aligned}$$

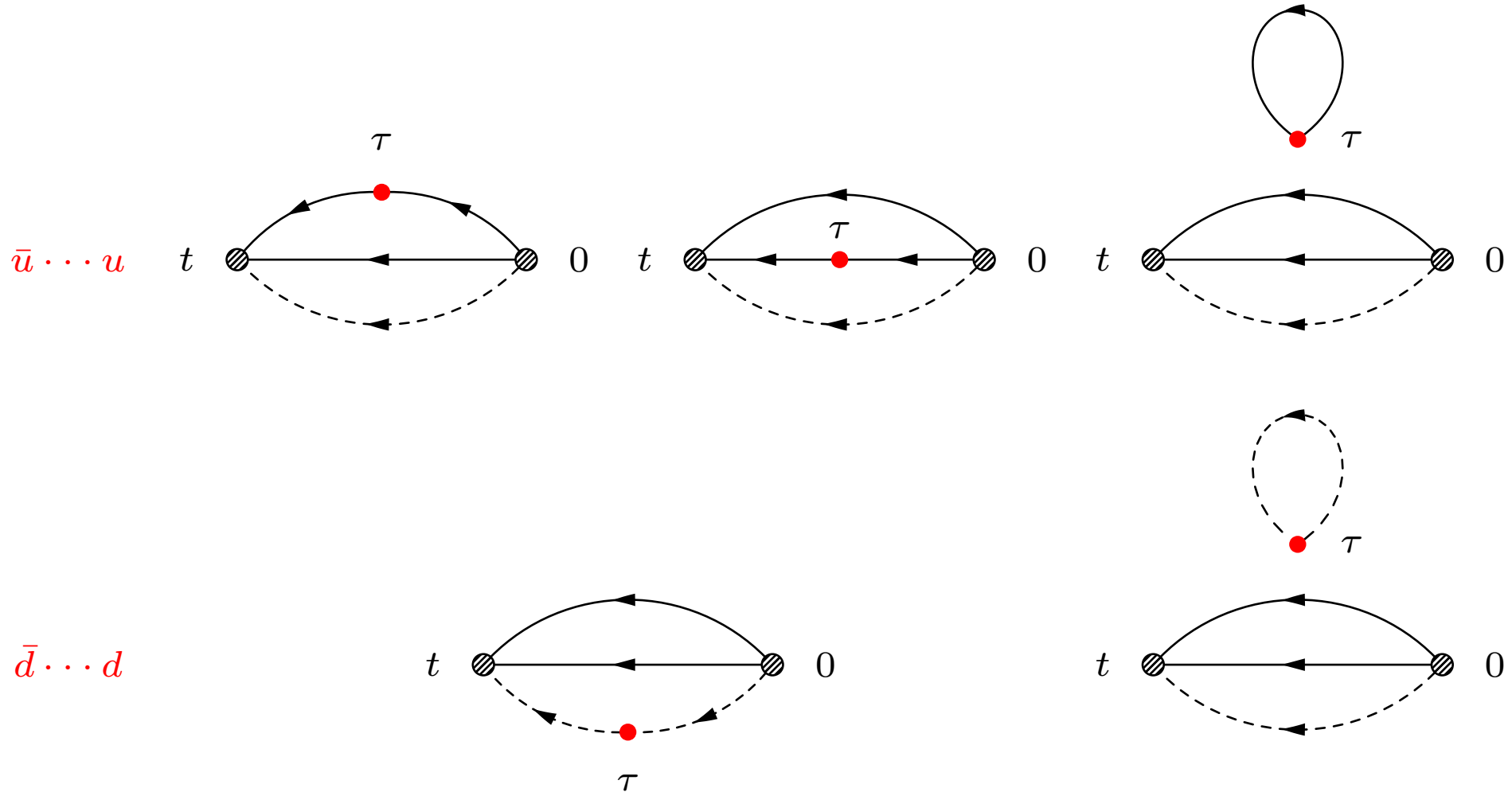
ratio (for forward matrix elements) $R \equiv \frac{\langle B(t) \mathcal{O}(\tau) \bar{B}(0) \rangle}{\langle B(t) \bar{B}(0) \rangle} = \langle N | \mathcal{O} | N \rangle + \dots$

(with an appropriate “projection” on the spinor indices)

should be independent of τ, t for $0 \ll \tau \ll t$ i.e. if excited states can be neglected.

proton 3-point function of a local operator $\bar{\psi} \cdots \psi$ schematically:

$$\langle \psi(t)\psi(t)\psi(t)\bar{\psi}(\tau)\psi(\tau)\bar{\psi}(0)\bar{\psi}(0)\bar{\psi}(0) \rangle$$



(quark-line) disconnected contribution drops out in non-singlet quantities (for exact isospin invariance)

The simulations

- non-perturbatively $O(a)$ -improved Wilson (clover) fermions
- $N_f = 2$ dynamical configurations
- 3 sink momenta \vec{p}' : $(0, 0, 0)$, $(1, 0, 0)$, $(0, 1, 0)$ in units of $2\pi/L$
- 16 non-zero momentum transfers
- three polarisations: $\Gamma^{\text{unpol}} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_4)$, $\Gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_4)i\gamma_5\gamma_1$, $\Gamma_2 = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_4)i\gamma_5\gamma_2$
- renormalisation: non-perturbatively
- scale set by $r_0 = 0.467$ fm
 r_0 is a length scale derived from the heavy-quark potential $V(R)$:

$$R^2 \frac{dV(R)}{dR} \Big|_{R=r_0} = 1.65$$

β	κ	Size	m_π [GeV]
5.20	0.13420	$16^3 \times 32$	1.007(17)
5.20	0.13500	$16^3 \times 32$	0.833(8)
5.20	0.13550	$16^3 \times 32$	0.619(7)
5.25	0.13460	$16^3 \times 32$	0.987(11)
5.25	0.13520	$16^3 \times 32$	0.830(9)
5.25	0.13575	$24^3 \times 48$	0.597(4)
5.29	0.13400	$16^3 \times 32$	1.173(20)
5.29	0.13500	$16^3 \times 32$	0.929(13)
5.29	0.13550	$24^3 \times 48$	0.769(9)
5.29	0.13590	$24^3 \times 48$	0.596(10)
5.40	0.13500	$24^3 \times 48$	1.037(11)
5.40	0.13560	$24^3 \times 48$	0.842(7)
5.40	0.13610	$24^3 \times 48$	0.626(6)

lattice spacing

$$a = 0.07 - 0.11 \text{ fm}$$

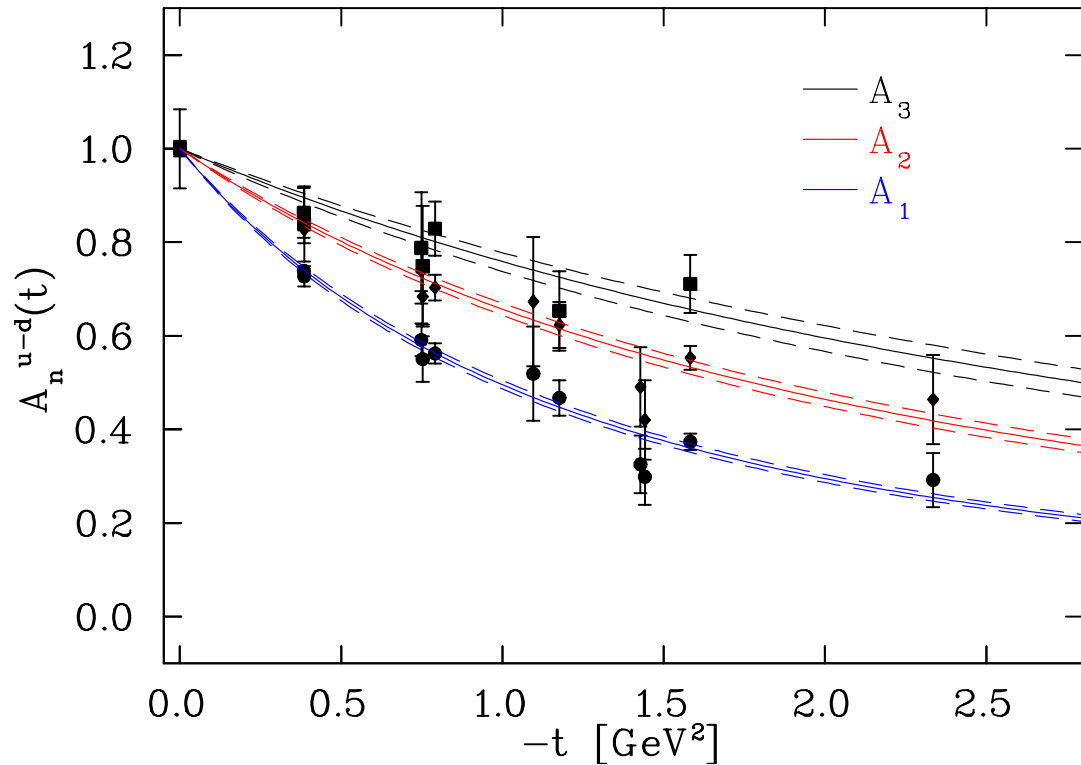
length of the spatial box

$$L = 1.4 - 2.0 \text{ fm}$$

analysis still preliminary!

Results for generalised form factors

GFFs $A_{10}^{u-d} = F_1^{u-d}(t)$, A_{20}^{u-d} , A_{30}^{u-d} (non-singlet), normalised to unity at $t = 0$ (dipole fits)



$$\beta = 5.4, \kappa = 0.1350$$

$24^3 \times 48$ lattice, $m_\pi \approx 970\text{MeV}$

dipole fit:

$$A_{n0}(t) = \frac{A_{n0}(0)}{(1 - t/M_n^2)^2}$$

form factor $A_{n0}(t)$ flattens as n grows

$$\int_{-1}^1 dx x^{n-1} H_q(x, \xi = 0, t) = A_{n0}^q(t)$$

H_q (as a function of t) becomes wider as x grows

$$q(x, \vec{b}_\perp) = \int \frac{d^2 \Delta_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{\Delta}_\perp} H_q(x, 0, -\vec{\Delta}_\perp^2)$$

q (as a function of \vec{b}_\perp) becomes narrower as x grows (as expected)

Q^2 dependence of F_1 and F_2

common expectation: $F_1 \propto \frac{1}{Q^4}$, $F_2 \propto \frac{1}{Q^6} \Rightarrow Q^2 \frac{F_2}{F_1} \propto \text{const.}$ $Q^2 = -q^2 = -t$

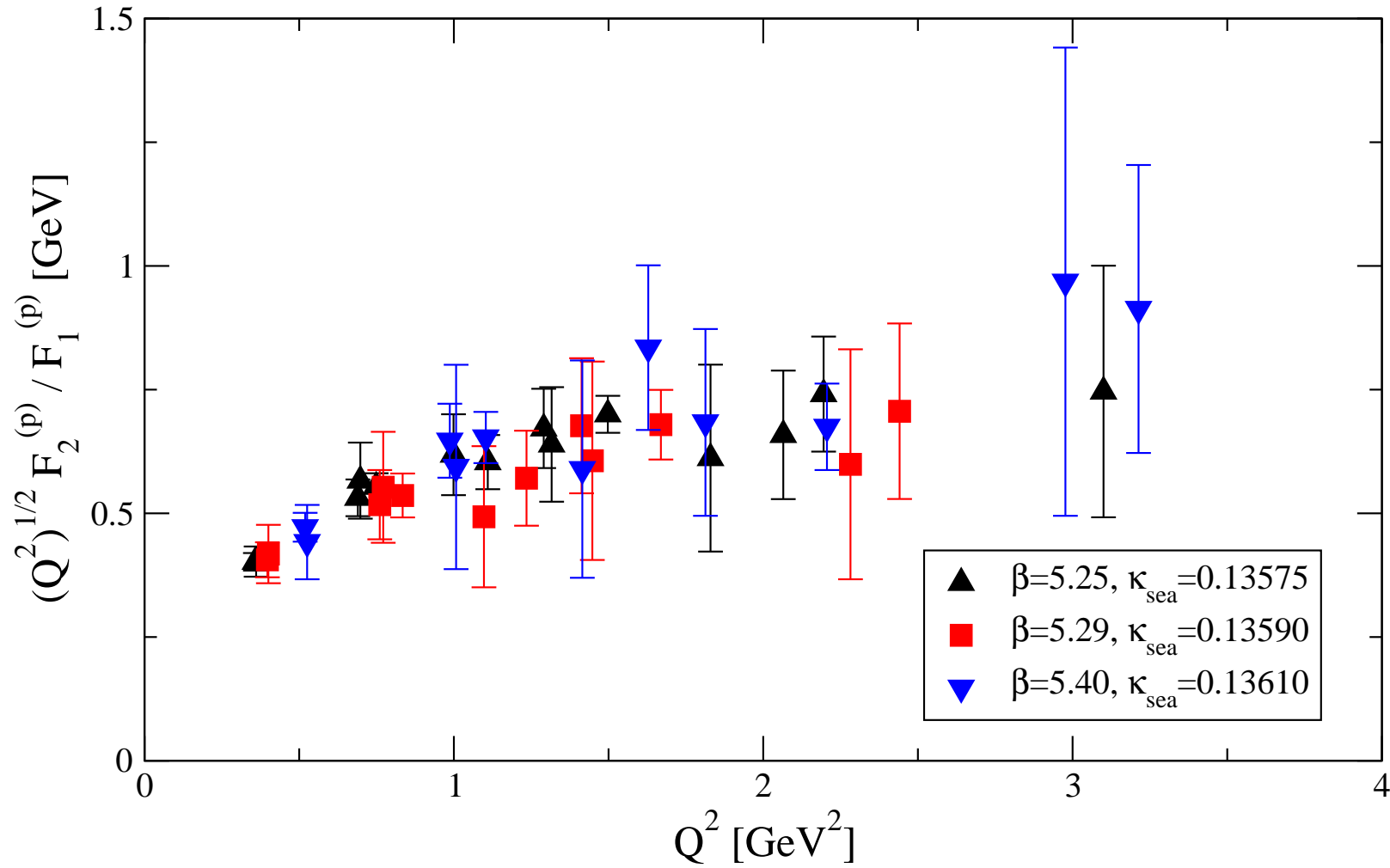
experiment: $\sqrt{Q^2} \frac{F_2}{F_1} \propto \text{const.}$ for the proton

perturbative QCD + ... *: $\frac{Q^2}{\ln^2(Q^2/\Lambda^2)} \frac{F_2}{F_1} \propto \text{const.}$

* Belitsky, Ji, Yuan, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91 (2003) 092003

$m_\pi \approx 600$ MeV

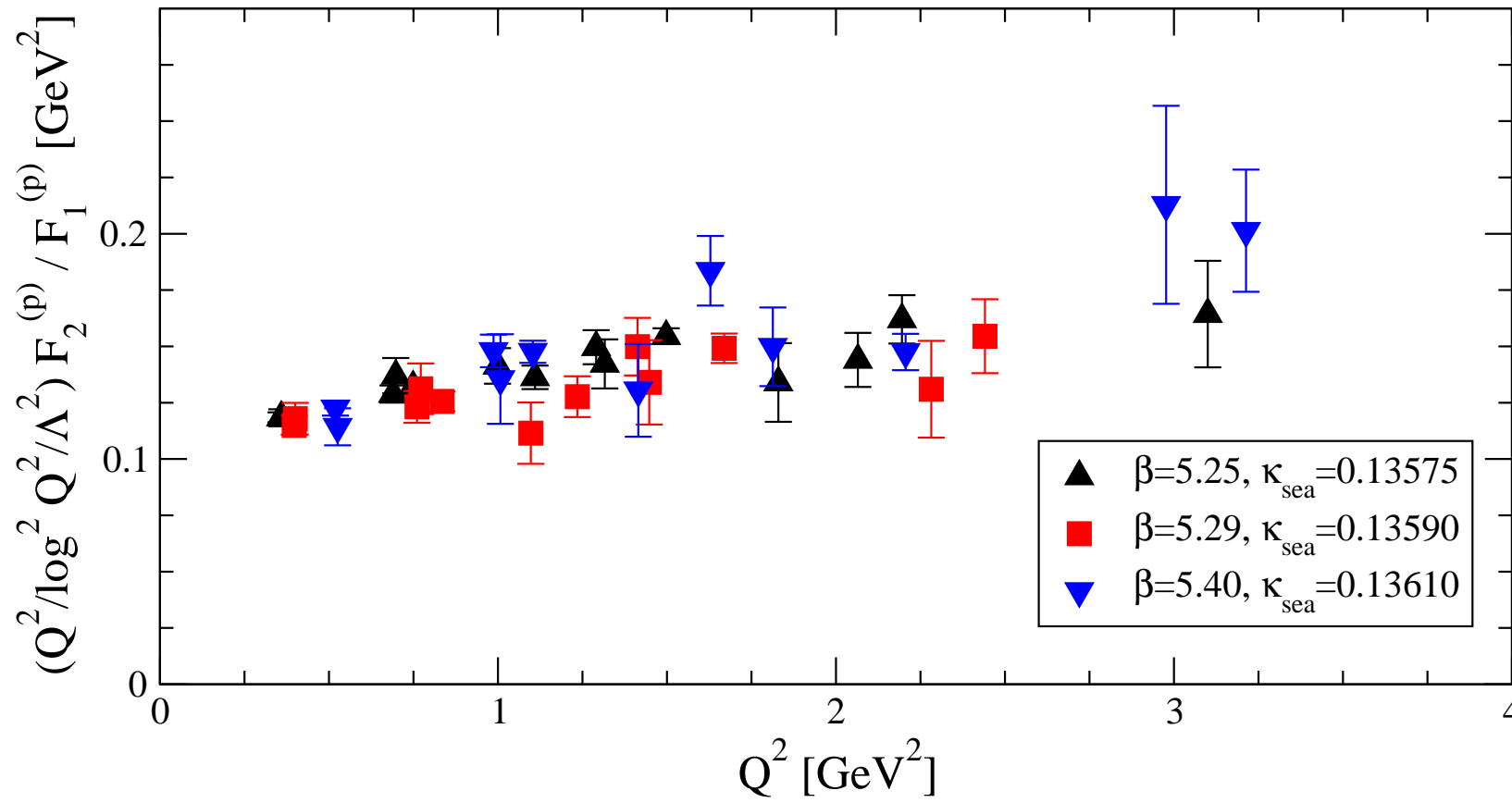
disconnected contributions neglected!



$1/\sqrt{Q^2}$ behaviour suggested by experimental data

$m_\pi \approx 600$ MeV

disconnected contributions neglected!

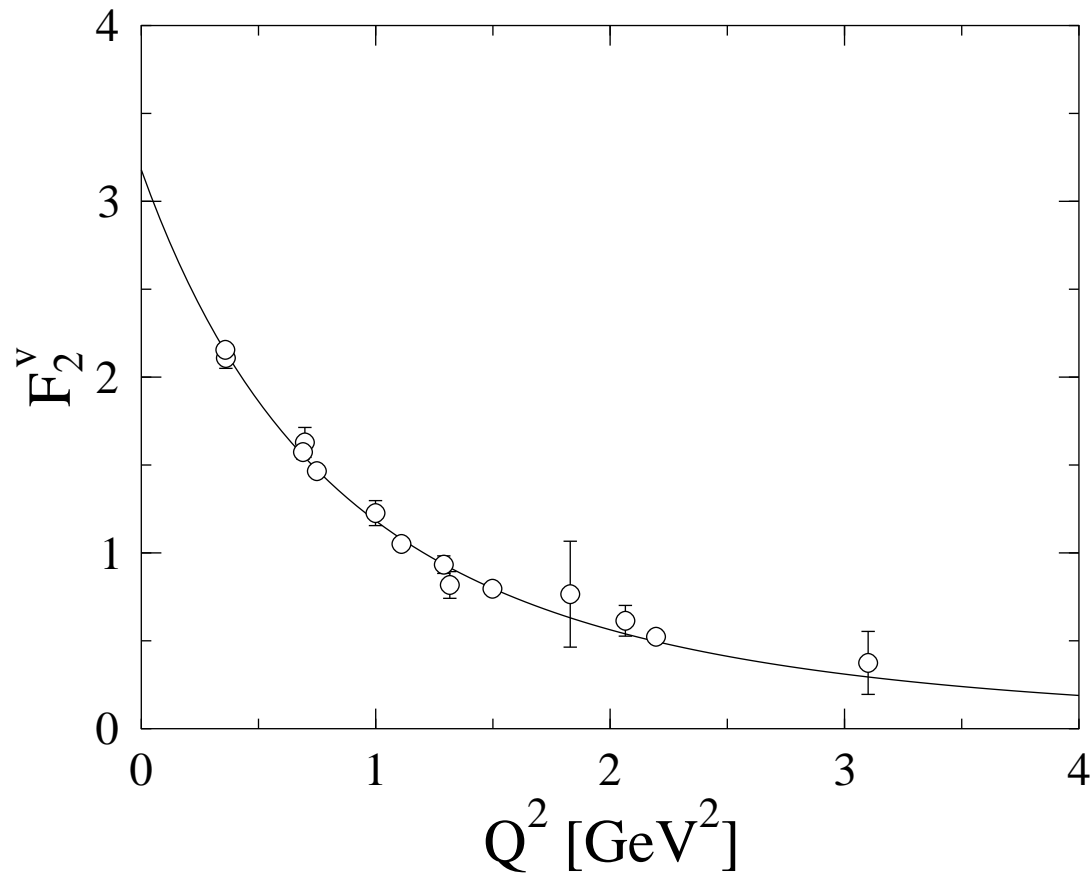


Belitsky et al.: $\ln^2(Q^2 / \Lambda^2) / Q^2$ behaviour asymptotically

$\Lambda = 200$ MeV

dipole ansatz for F_1 : $F_1(Q^2) = \frac{A_1}{(1 + Q^2/M_1^2)^2}$

tripole ansatz for F_2 : $F_2(Q^2) = \frac{A_2}{(1 + Q^2/M_2^2)^3}$

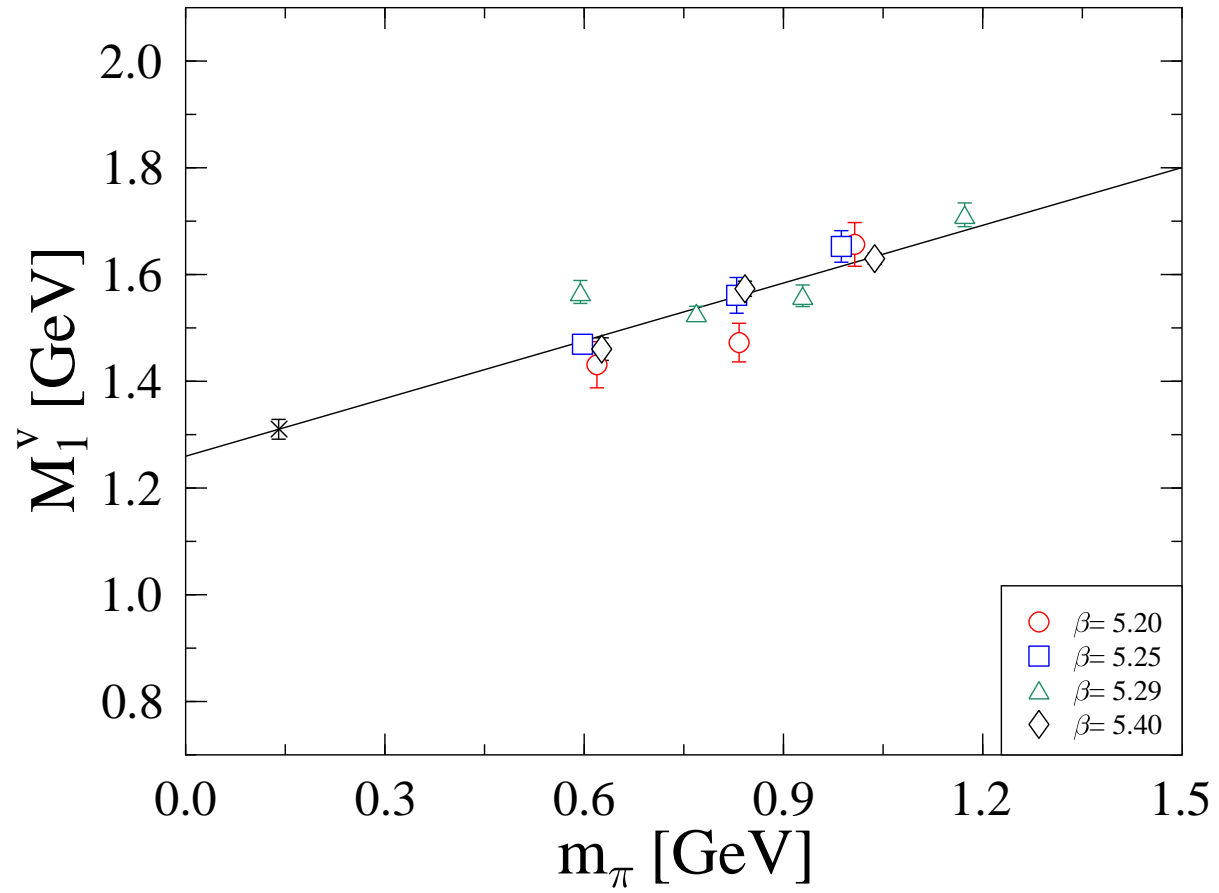


$$\beta = 5.25, \kappa = 0.13575$$

$$V = 24^3 \times 48, m_\pi \approx 600 \text{ MeV}$$

isovector channel

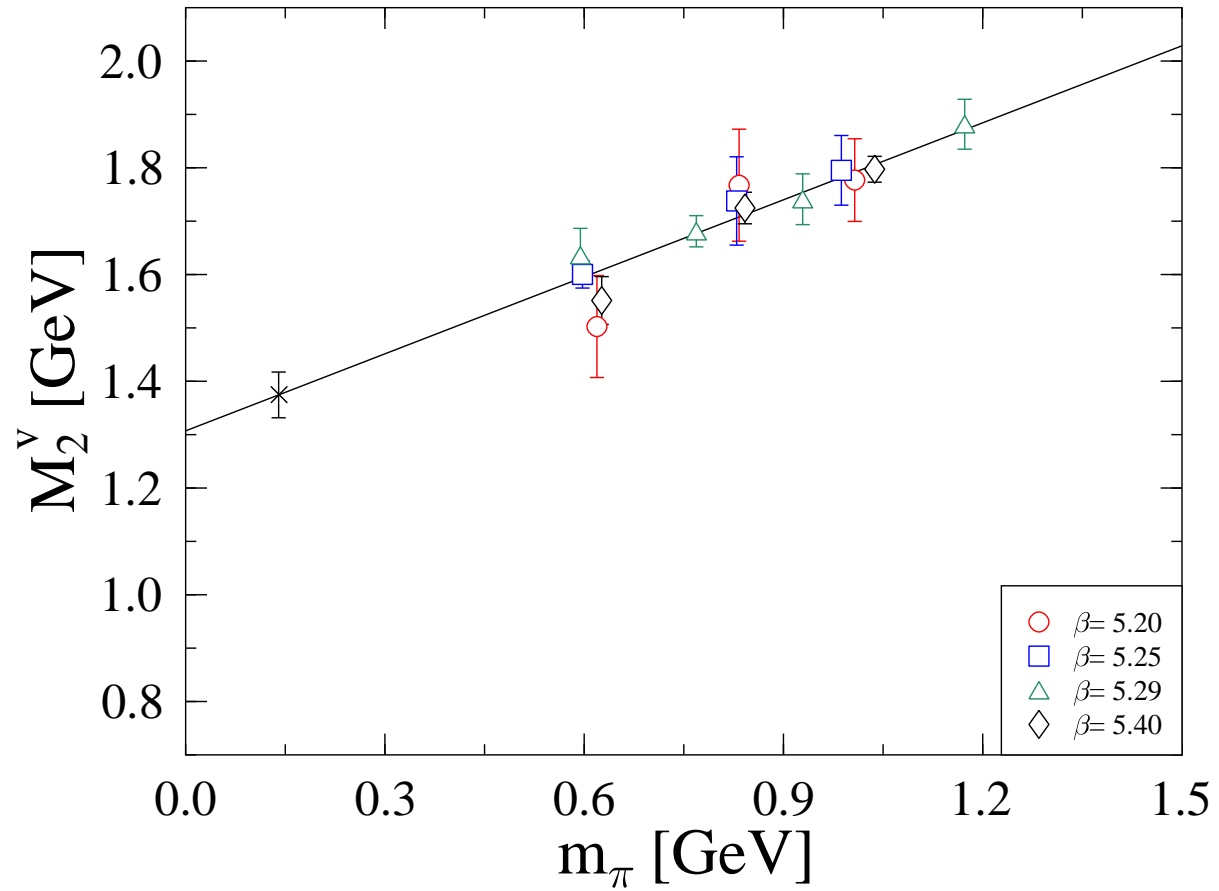
F_1 dipole masses:



discretisation errors apparently small
chiral extrapolation linear in m_π

isovector channel

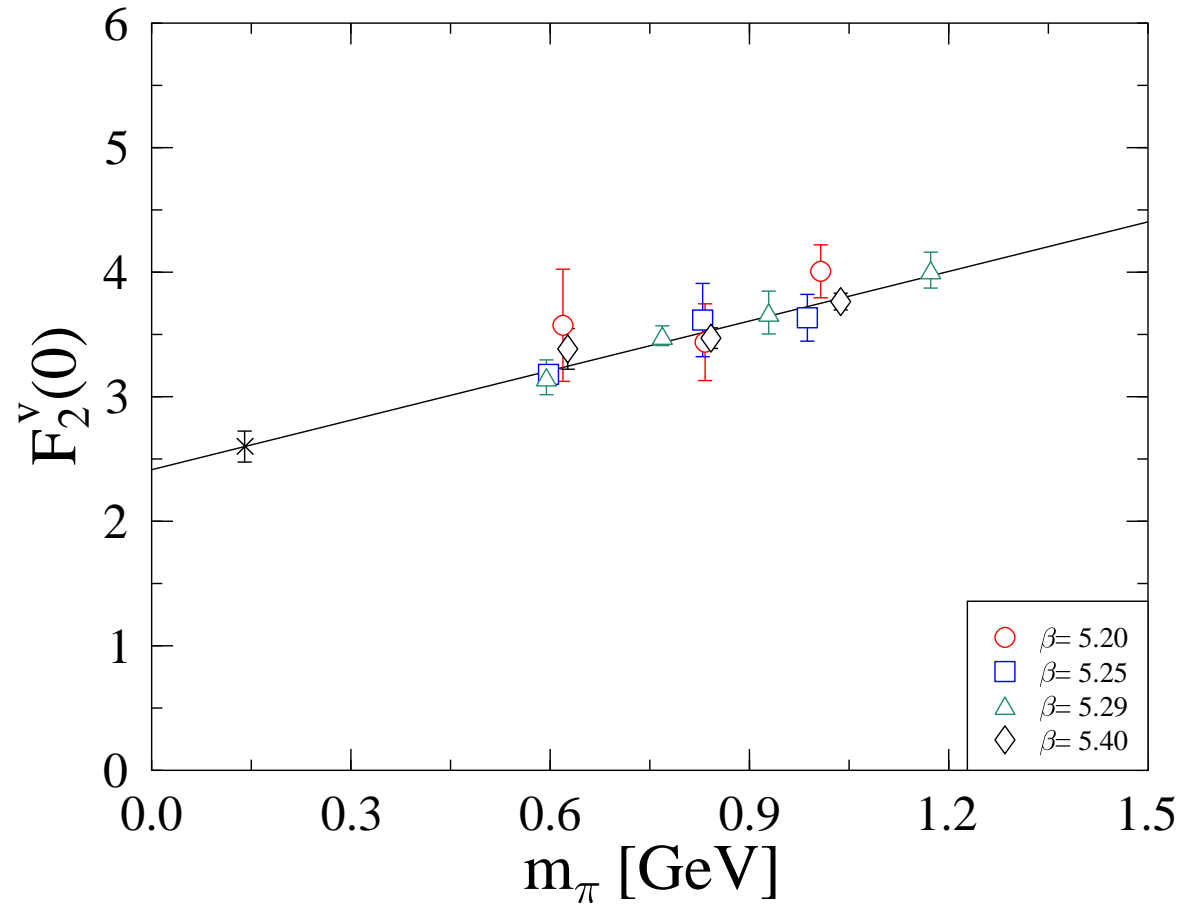
F_2 tripole masses:



chiral extrapolation linear in m_π

isovector channel

$F_2(0)$ from tripole ansatz:



chiral extrapolation linear in m_π

isovector channel

Chiral effective field theory

wanted: guidance for chiral extrapolation → contact with chiral effective field theory (ChEFT)?

ChEFT has problems with large quark masses (pion masses)
 large values of Q^2 ($Q^2 \gtrsim 0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$)
 ↑
 experimental data

direct comparison with ChEFT expressions for the form factors questionable
 → compare data for radii (dipole masses) and the magnetic moment

isovector channel: **no disconnected contributions!**

more specifically: small scale expansion SSE (ChEFT with explicit nucleon and Δ degrees of freedom)
 V. Bernard, H.W. Fearing, T.R. Hemmert, U.-G. Meißner, Nucl. Phys. A635 (1998) 121
 T.R. Hemmert, W. Weise, Eur. Phys. J. A15 (2002) 487

radii r_1, r_2 defined by

$$F_i(Q^2) = F_i(0) \left[1 - \frac{1}{6} r_i^2 Q^2 + \mathcal{O}(Q^4) \right]$$

related to the (di, tri)pole masses M_1, M_2

$$r_1^2 = \frac{12}{M_1^2}, \quad r_2^2 = \frac{18}{M_2^2}$$

SSE for the (square of the) isovector Dirac radius:

$$(r_1^v)^2 = -\frac{1}{(4\pi F_\pi)^2} \left\{ 1 + 7g_A^2 + (10g_A^2 + 2) \log \left[\frac{m_\pi}{\lambda} \right] \right\} - \frac{12B_{10}^{(r)}(\lambda)}{(4\pi F_\pi)^2} \\ + \frac{c_A^2}{54\pi^2 F_\pi^2} \left\{ 26 + 30 \log \left[\frac{m_\pi}{\lambda} \right] + 30 \frac{\Delta}{\sqrt{\Delta^2 - m_\pi^2}} \log R \right\}$$

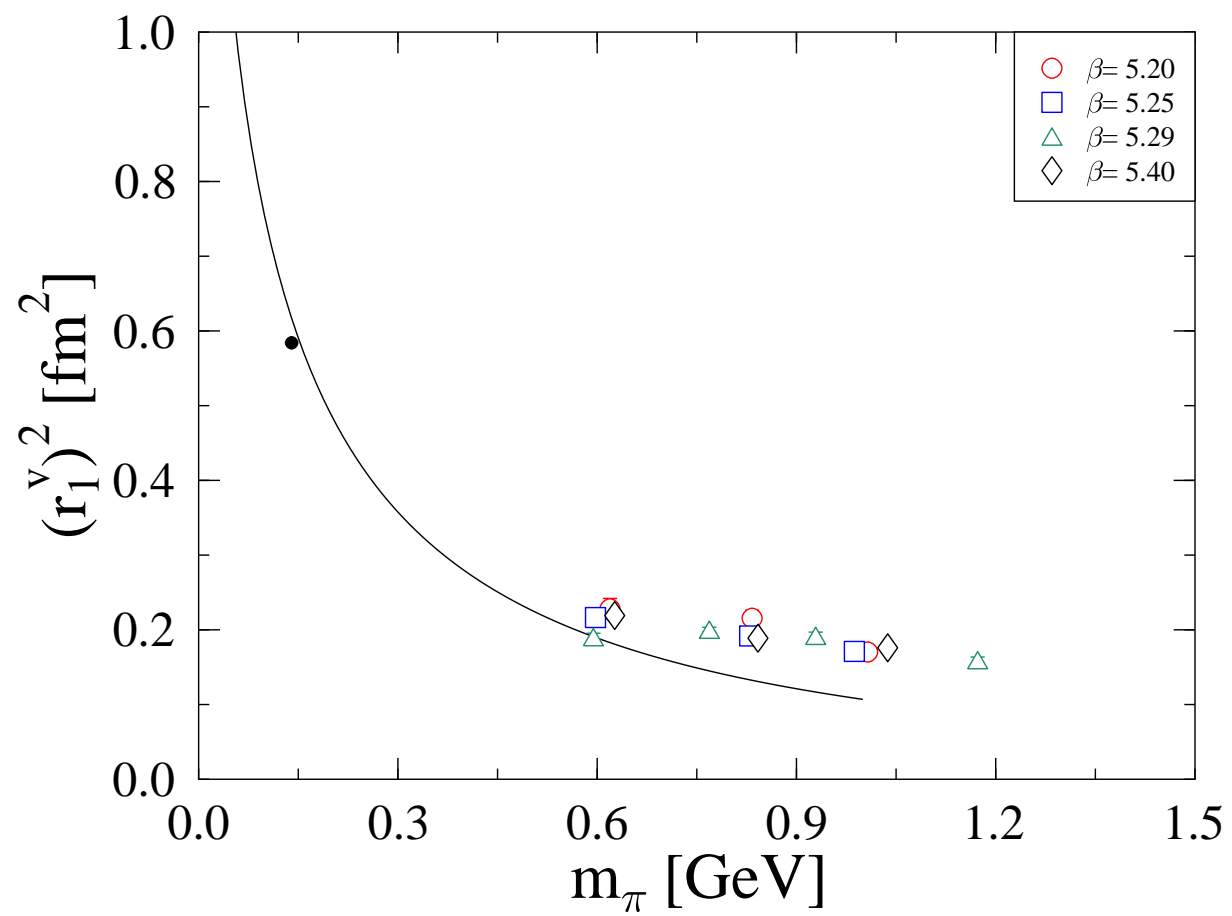
$$R = \frac{\Delta}{m_\pi} + \sqrt{\frac{\Delta^2}{m_\pi^2} - 1}$$

Parameter		Empirical value	used in plot
g_A	axial coupling of the nucleon	1.267	1.2
c_A	leading axial $N\Delta$ coupling	1.1 - 1.5	1.4
F_π	pion decay constant	0.0924 GeV	0.0924 GeV
Δ	Δ -nucleon mass splitting	0.2711 GeV	0.2711 GeV

$B_{10}^{(r)}(\lambda)$: counterterm at renormalisation scale λ

$B_{10}^{(r)}(600 \text{ MeV}) = 0.6$ reproduces approximately the phenomenological value of r_1^v
 \rightarrow **negative** core contribution to $(r_1^v)^2$

$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3)$ SSE formula not accurate enough?



no fit!

SSE for the (square of the) isovector Pauli radius:

$$(r_2^v)^2 = \frac{g_A^2 M_N}{8F_\pi^2 \kappa_v(m_\pi) \pi m_\pi} + \frac{c_A^2 M_N}{9F_\pi^2 \kappa_v(m_\pi) \pi^2 \sqrt{\Delta^2 - m_\pi^2}} \log R$$

$$\kappa_v(m_\pi^{\text{phys}}) = \kappa_v(140 \text{ MeV}) = 3.71$$

$$M_N = \text{nucleon mass} = 0.9389 \text{ GeV}$$

SSE: κ_v shows a rather strong m_π dependence

T.R. Hemmert, W. Weise, Eur. Phys. J. A15 (2002) 487

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_v = & \kappa_v^0 - \frac{g_A^2 m_\pi M_N}{4\pi F_\pi^2} + \frac{2c_A^2 \Delta M_N}{9\pi^2 F_\pi^2} \left\{ \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_\pi^2}{\Delta^2}} \log R + \log \left[\frac{m_\pi}{2\Delta} \right] \right\} \\ & - 8E_1^{(r)}(\lambda) M_N m_\pi^2 + \frac{4c_A c_V g_A M_N m_\pi^2}{9\pi^2 F_\pi^2} \log \left[\frac{2\Delta}{\lambda} \right] + \frac{4c_A c_V g_A M_N m_\pi^3}{27\pi F_\pi^2 \Delta} \\ & - \frac{8c_A c_V g_A \Delta^2 M_N}{27\pi^2 F_\pi^2} \left\{ \left(1 - \frac{m_\pi^2}{\Delta^2} \right)^{3/2} \log R + \left(1 - \frac{3m_\pi^2}{2\Delta^2} \right) \log \left[\frac{m_\pi}{2\Delta} \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

additional parameters:	κ_v^0	isovector anomalous magnetic moment in the chiral limit
	c_V	leading isovector $N\Delta$ coupling
	$E_1^{(r)}(\lambda)$	counterterm

How to compare with the lattice data?

Note: κ_v is the anomalous magnetic moment in units of the nuclear magneton

dimensionful anomalous magnetic moment: $\kappa_v \frac{e}{2M_N}$ ✓ nucleon mass for the quark mass considered

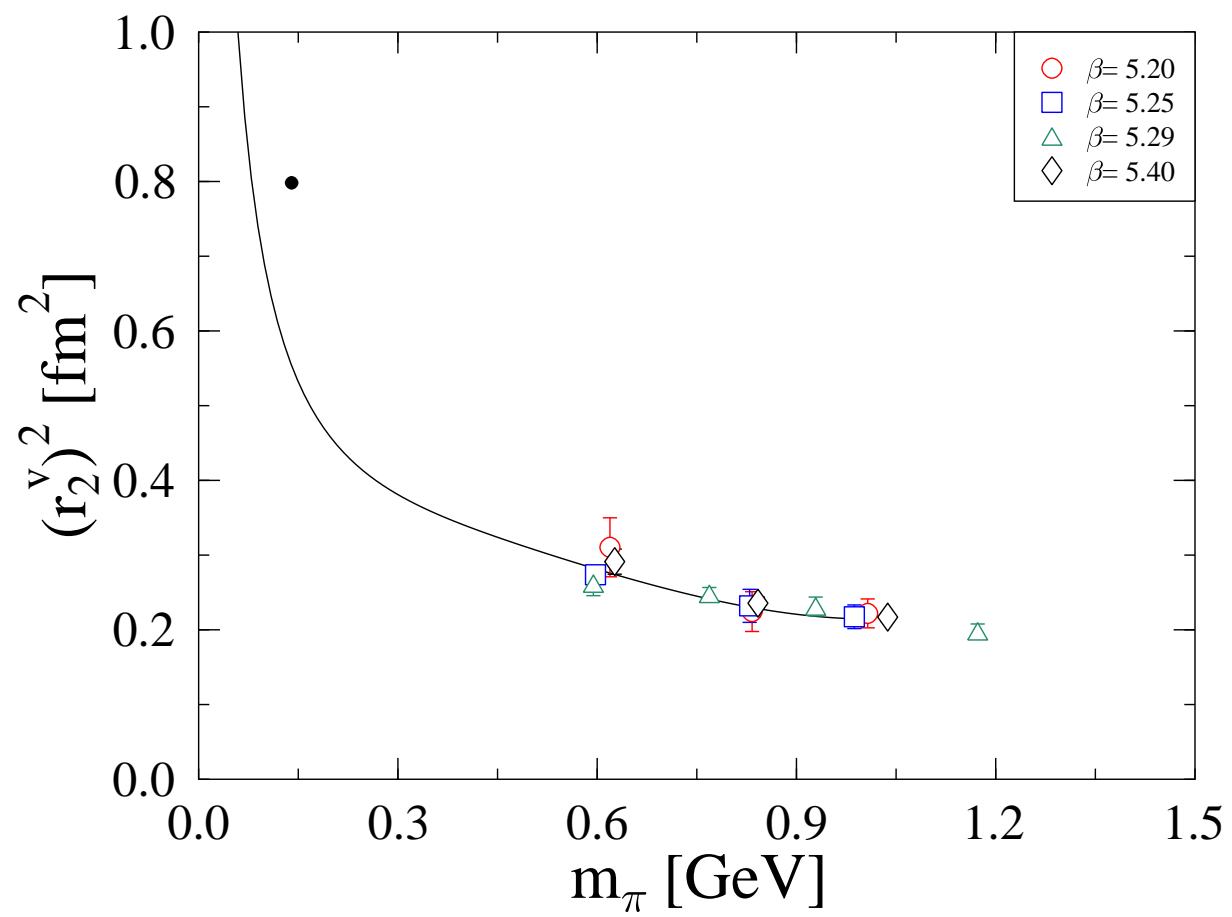
SSE relation refers to the nuclear magneton calculated with M_N^{phys}

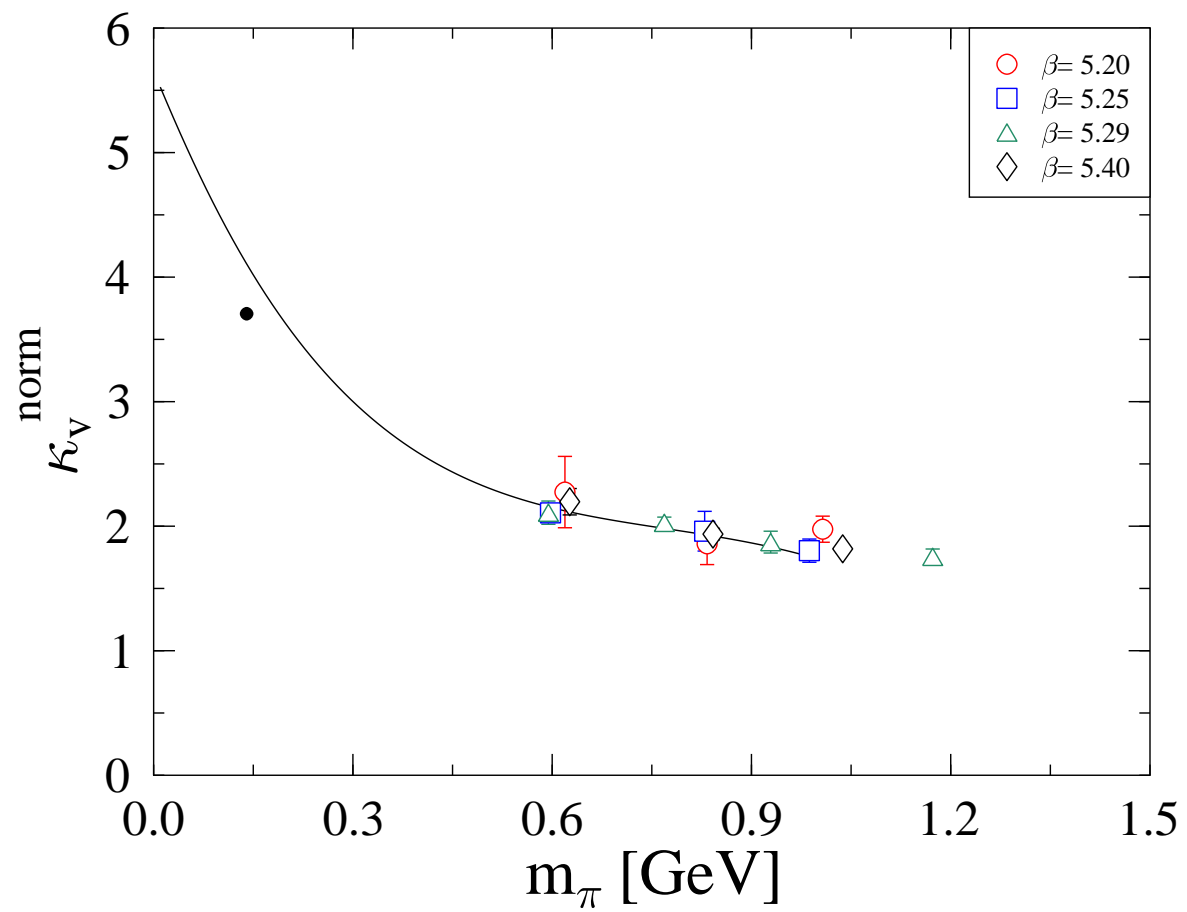
→ compare “normalised” κ_v^{norm} with SSE: $\kappa_v^{\text{norm}} \frac{e}{2M_N^{\text{phys}}} = \kappa_v \frac{e}{2M_N} \Rightarrow \kappa_v^{\text{norm}} = \kappa_v \frac{M_N^{\text{phys}}}{M_N}$

combined fit of $(r_2^v)^2(m_\pi)$ and $\kappa_v(m_\pi)$ of all data with $m_\pi < 1$ GeV

g_A	1.2*	fixed	
c_A	1.4	fixed	
F_π	0.0924 GeV	fixed	
M_N	0.9389 GeV	fixed	
Δ	0.2711 GeV	fixed	
κ_v^0		fitted	5.7(3)
c_V		fitted	-1.7(2) GeV ⁻¹
$E_1^{(r)}(0.6 \text{ GeV})$		fitted	-4.7(4) GeV ⁻³

* T.R. Hemmert, M. Procura, W. Weise, Phys. Rev. D68 (2003) 075009





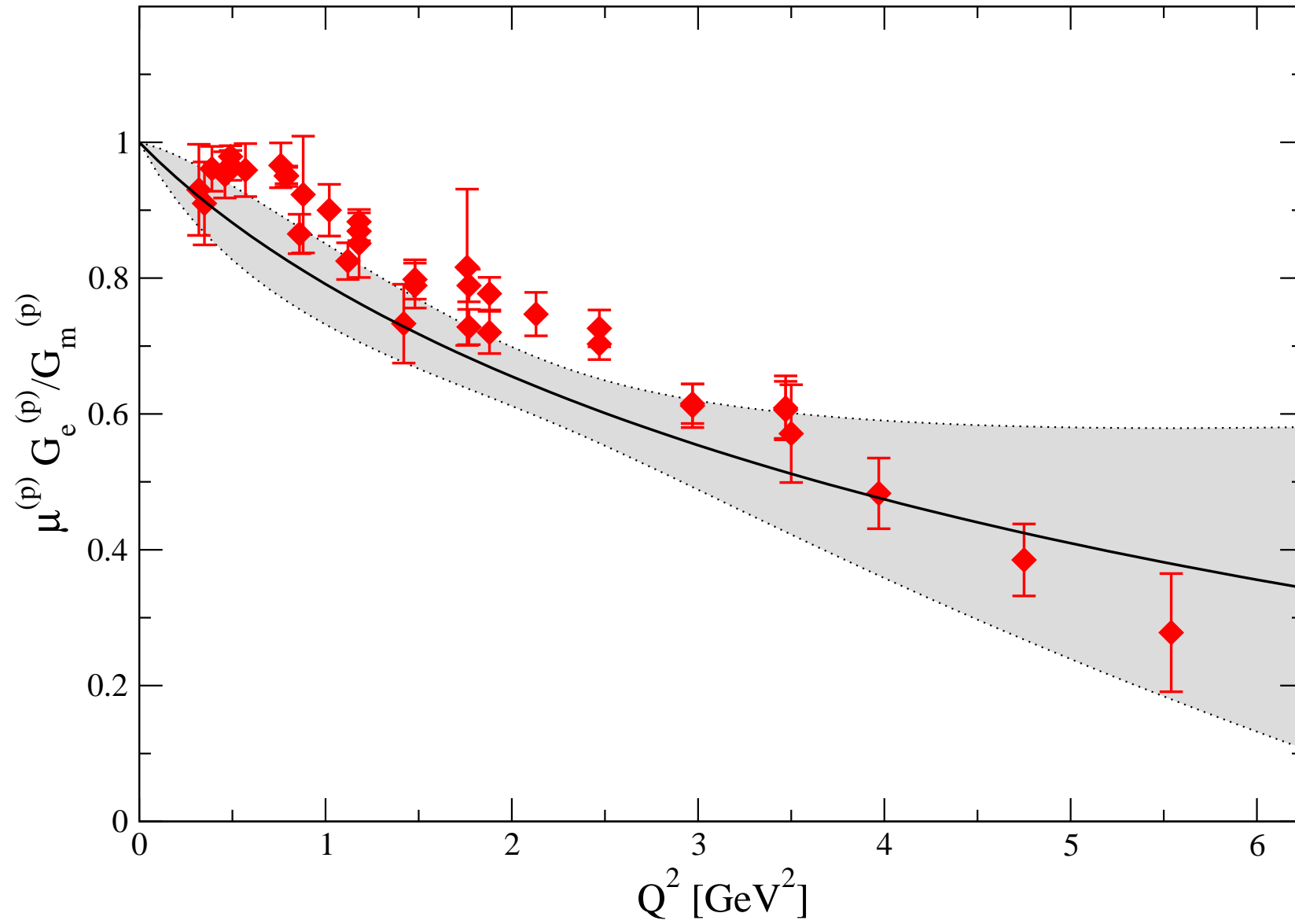
G_e/G_m for the proton

- consider the flavour combination $\frac{2}{3}u - \frac{1}{3}d$ (electromagnetic current in the proton)
disconnected contributions neglected
- dipole (tripole) fits of F_1 (F_2)
- naive chiral extrapolation of M_1 , $F_2(0)$ and M_2
- reconstruct F_1 , F_2 in the chiral limit from these extrapolated values
- compute G_e and G_m from

$$G_e(q^2) = F_1(q^2) + \frac{q^2}{(2M_N)^2} F_2(q^2)$$

$$G_m(q^2) = F_1(q^2) + F_2(q^2)$$

compared with JLAB data



Summary and outlook

- GPDs have attracted a lot of interest recently.
- QCDSF-UKQCD compute matrix elements which allow to evaluate moments of GPDs
- The data reveal the expected “shrinking” of the nucleon for $x \rightarrow 1$.
- Special case of GPDs: (electromagnetic) form factors
- Dipole (tripole) fits describe the Q^2 dependence of the form factors.
- Naive chiral extrapolation surprisingly successful
- Comparison with ChEFT difficult at present
 - combined fit of $\kappa_v(m_\pi)$ and the Pauli radius $r_2^v(m_\pi)$
compatible both with the lattice data and with phenomenology
 - Dirac radius $r_1^v(m_\pi)$ problematic

for the future:

- Simulations on larger lattices
for smaller momenta in the (generalised) form factors
- Simulations for smaller quark masses (overlap fermions?)
to make the chiral extrapolation more reliable
- More trustworthy fits with expressions from ChEFT