

Nucleon polarizabilities in the Dyson-Schwinger approach

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Introduction

Goal: compute **nucleon's Compton scattering amplitude**
(and other things) from **quark-gluon substructure in QCD**.

- **Handbag** vs. nucleon (s- and u-channel) and meson (t-channel) **resonances?**
- **Quark core** vs. **pion cloud?**
- **Electromagnetic gauge invariance** at the quark-gluon level?
- **Tensor decomposition** for (on- and offshell) fermion two-photon vertex?

QCD's Green functions \leftrightarrow **“Dyson-Schwinger approach”**:

Nonperturbative, covariant, low and high energies, light and heavy quarks. But: **truncations!**

- **Baryon spectroscopy** from three-body Faddeev equation
[GE, Alkofer, Krassnigg, Nicmorus, PRL 104 \(2010\)](#)
- **Elastic & transition form factors** for N and Δ
[GE, PRD 84 \(2011\)](#); [GE, Fischer, EPJ A48 \(2012\)](#); [GE, Nicmorus, PRD 85 \(2012\)](#); [Sanchis-Alepuz et al., PRD 87 \(2013\)](#), ...
- **Tetraquark** interpretation for σ meson
[Heupel, GE, Fischer, PLB 718 \(2012\)](#)
- **Compton scattering**
[GE, Fischer, PRD 85 \(2012\)](#) & [PRD 87 \(2013\)](#)

Dyson-Schwinger equations

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quarks, gluons (+ ghosts)

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- **Truncation** \Rightarrow closed system, solvable.
• Ansätze for Green functions that are **not** solved (based on pQCD, lattice, FRG, ...)

- **Applications:**
• Origin of confinement,
• QCD phase diagram,
• **Hadron physics**

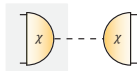
Hadrons: poles in Green functions

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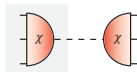
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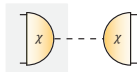
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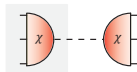
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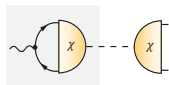
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- Quark-antiquark vertices:** (Currents: $J^\mu = \bar{\psi} \Gamma^\mu \psi$)

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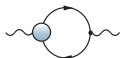
- Decay constant:**

$$\langle 0 | J^\mu | H \rangle$$

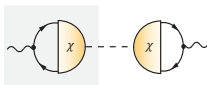
Quark-photon vertex
has ρ -meson poles:
'vector-meson dominance'

- Current correlators:**

$$\langle 0 | T J^\mu(x) J^\nu(y) | 0 \rangle$$



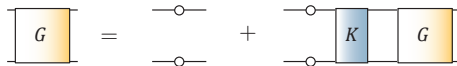
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(\rightarrow Lattice QCD)

Bethe-Salpeter equations

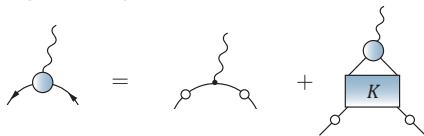
- Inhomogeneous BSE for **quark four-point function**:



- Homogeneous BSE for **bound-state wave function**:



- Inhomogeneous BSE for **quark-antiquark vertices**:



Analogy: geometric series

$$f(x) = 1 + xf(x) \Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$$|x| < 1 \Rightarrow f(x) = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots$$

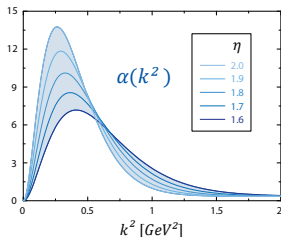
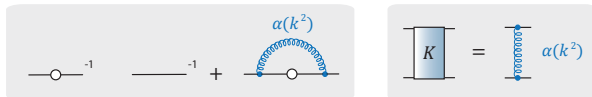
What's the kernel K?

Related to Green functions via **symmetries**: CVC, PCAC
 \Rightarrow vector, axialvector WTIs

Relate **K** with quark propagator and quark-gluon vertex

Structure of the kernel

Rainbow-ladder: tree-level vertex + effective coupling



Ansatz for effective coupling:

Maris, Roberts, Tandy, PRC 56 (1997), PRC 60 (1999)

$$\alpha(k^2) = \alpha_{\text{IR}} \left(\frac{k^2}{\Lambda^2}, \eta \right) + \alpha_{\text{UV}}(k^2)$$

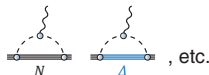
Adjust infrared scale Λ to physical observable,
keep width η as parameter

✓ **DCSB, CVC, PCAC**

- ⇒ mass generation
- ⇒ Goldstone theorem, massless pion in χL
- ⇒ em. current conservation
- ⇒ Goldberger-Treiman

⚡ **No pion cloud,**

no flavor dependence,
no $U_A(1)$ anomaly, no
dynamical decay widths



Pion cloud:

need infinite summation
of t-channel gluons

Mesons

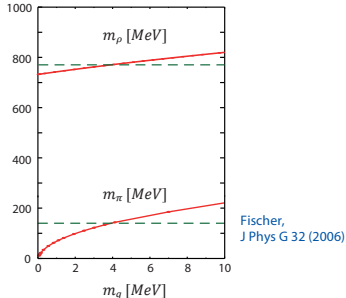
- Pseudoscalar & vector mesons:**

rainbow-ladder is good.

Masses, form factors, decays,
 $\pi\pi$ scattering lengths, PDFs

Maris, Roberts, Tandy, PRC 56 (1997), PRC 60 (1999);
 Bashir et al., Commun.Theor. Phys.58 (2012)

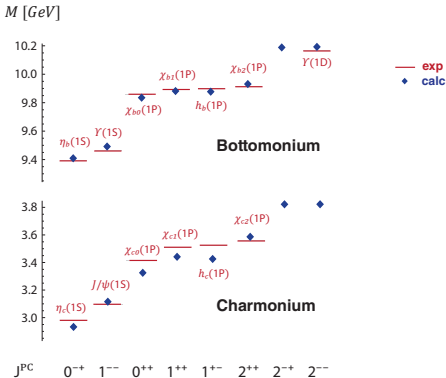
Pion is Goldstone boson,
 satisfies GMOR: $m_\pi^2 \sim m_q$



- Need to go **beyond rainbow-ladder** for excited, scalar, axialvector mesons, η - η' , etc.

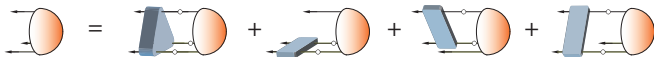
Fischer, Williams & Chang, Roberts, PRL 103 (2009)
 Alkofer et al., EPJ A38 (2008), Bhagwat et al., PRC 76 (2007)

- Heavy mesons** Blank, Krassnigg, PRD 84 (2011)



Baryons

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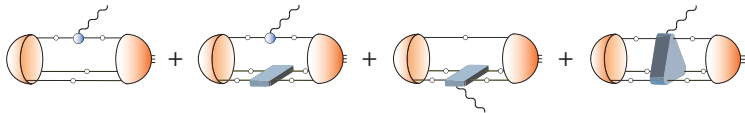
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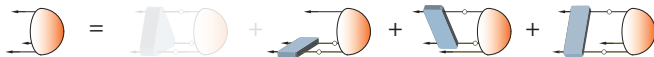
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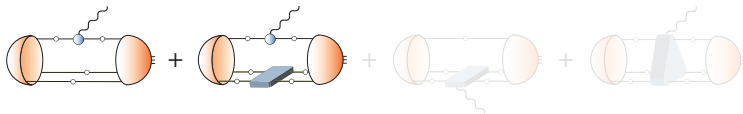
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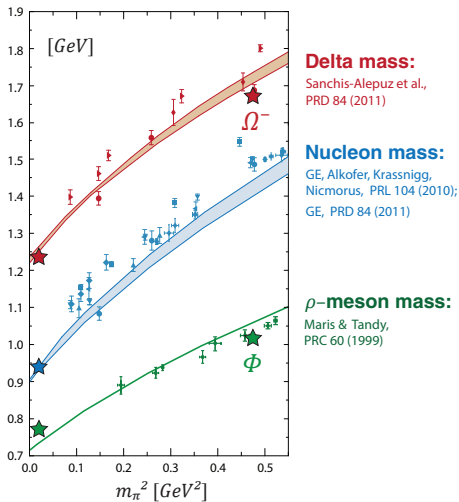
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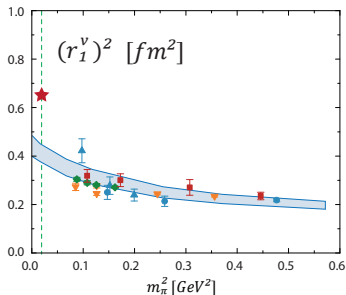
- Good agreement with experiment & lattice. Pion mass is also calculated.
- Same kernel as for mesons, scale set by f_π . Full covariant wave functions, no further parameters or approximations.
- Masses not sensitive to effective interaction.
- **Diquark clustering in baryons:** similar results in quark-diquark approach
Oettel, Alkofer, von Smekal, EPJ A8 (2000)
GE, Cloet, Alkofer, Krassnigg, Roberts, PRC 79 (2009)
- **Excited baryons** (e.g. Roper): also quark-diquark structure?
Chen, Chang, Roberts, Wan, Wilson, FBS 53 (2012)
- Role of **pion cloud**: see talk by C. Fischer
- Role of **three-gluon vertex**?
Williams, Vujanovic, GE, Alkofer, in preparation



Electromagnetic form factors

Nucleon charge radii:

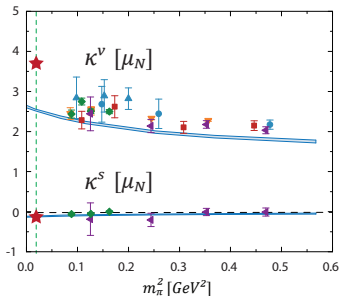
isovector (p-n) Dirac (F1) radius



- **Pion-cloud effects** missing in chiral region (\Rightarrow divergence!), agreement with lattice at larger quark masses.

Nucleon magnetic moments:

isovector (p-n), isoscalar (p+n)



- **But:** pion-cloud **cancels** in $\kappa^s \Leftrightarrow$ quark core

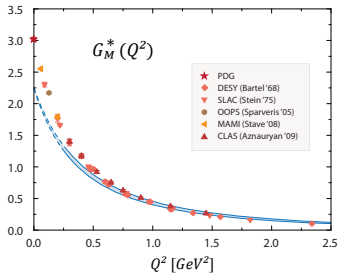
Exp: $\kappa^s = -0.12$

Calc: $\kappa^s = -0.12(1)$



GE, PRD 84 (2011)

Nucleon- Δ - γ transition

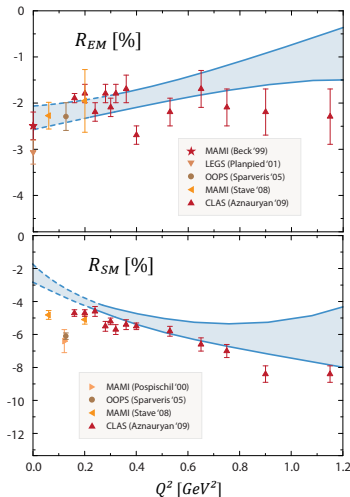


- **Magnetic dipole transition (G_M^*) dominant:** quark spin flip (s wave). “Core + 25% pion cloud”
- **Electric & Coulomb quadrupole transitions** small & negative, encode deformation.

Ratios reproduced without pion cloud:

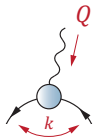
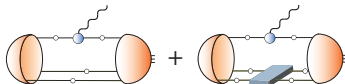
OAM from relativistic p waves in the quark core!

Eichmann & Nicmorus, PRD 85 (2012)



Quark-photon vertex

Current matrix element: $\langle H | J^\mu | H \rangle =$



Vector WTI $Q^\mu \Gamma^\mu(k, Q) = S^{-1}(k_+) - S^{-1}(k_-)$
determines vertex up to transverse parts:

$$\Gamma^\mu(k, Q) = \Gamma_{\text{BC}}^\mu(k, Q) + \Gamma_{\text{T}}^\mu(k, Q)$$

- **Ball-Chiu vertex**, completely specified by dressed fermion propagator: [Ball, Chiu, PRD 22 \(1980\)](#)

$$\Gamma_{\text{BC}}^\mu(k, Q) = i\gamma^\mu \Sigma_A + 2k^\mu (i\cancel{k} \Delta_A + \Delta_B)$$

- **Transverse part**: free of kinematic singularities, tensor structures $\sim Q, Q^2, Q^3$, contains meson poles

[Kizilersu, Reenders, Pennington, PRD 92 \(1995\);](#) [GE, Fischer, PRD 87 \(2013\)](#)

$$\Sigma_A := \frac{A(k_+^2) + A(k_-^2)}{2},$$

$$\Delta_A := \frac{A(k_+^2) - A(k_-^2)}{k_+^2 - k_-^2},$$

$$\Delta_B := \frac{B(k_+^2) - B(k_-^2)}{k_+^2 - k_-^2}$$

$$t_{ab}^{\mu\nu} := a \cdot b \delta^{\mu\nu} - b^\mu a^\nu$$

Dominant

$$\tau_1^\mu = t_{QQ}^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\nu,$$

$$\tau_5^\mu = t_{QQ}^{\mu\nu} i k^\nu,$$

$$\tau_2^\mu = t_{QQ}^{\mu\nu} k \cdot Q \frac{i}{2} [\gamma^\nu, \cancel{k}],$$

$$\tau_6^\mu = t_{QQ}^{\mu\nu} k^\nu \cancel{k},$$

Anomalous

$$\tau_3^\mu = \frac{i}{2} [\gamma^\mu, \cancel{Q}],$$

$$\tau_7^\mu = t_{Qk}^{\mu\nu} k \cdot Q \gamma^\nu, \quad \text{Curtis, Pennington, PRD 42 (1990)}$$

magnetic moment

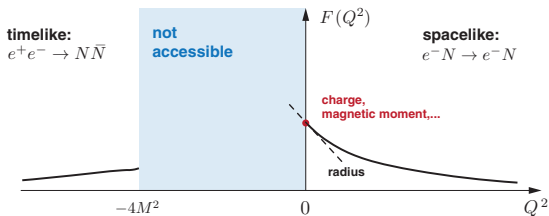
$$\tau_4^\mu = \frac{1}{6} [\gamma^\mu, \cancel{k}, \cancel{Q}],$$

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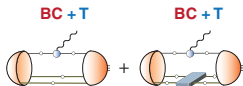
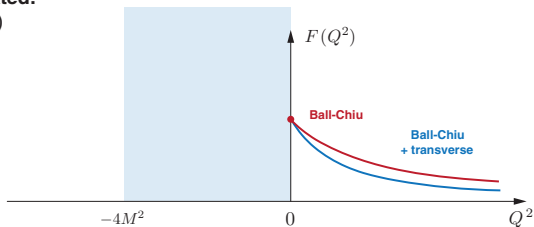
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Structure of quark-photon vertex is reflected in form factors.

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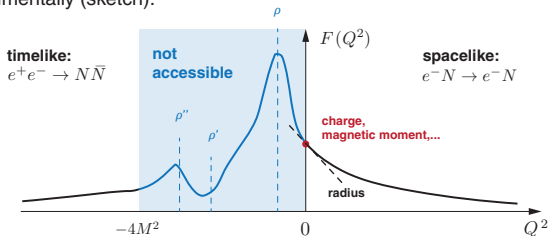


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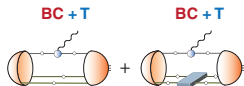
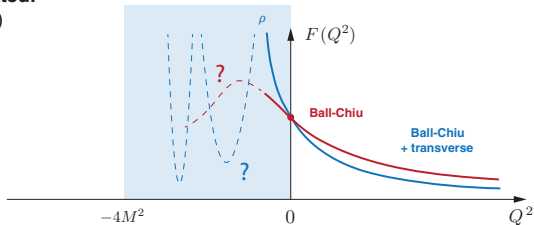
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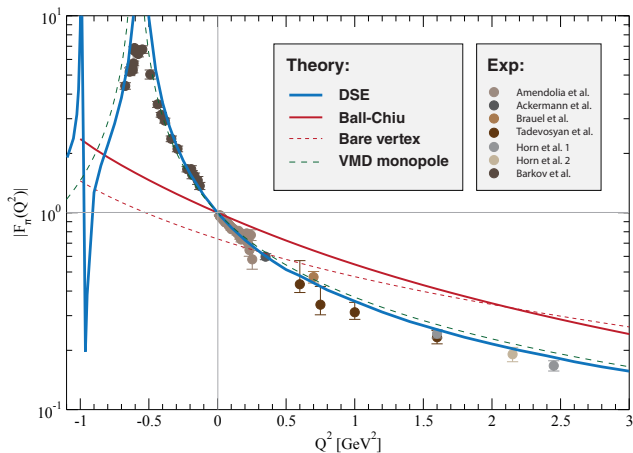


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Pion form factor



Spacelike and timelike region:

A. Krassnigg (Schladming 2010)
extension of Maris & Tandy,
Nucl. Phys. Proc. Suppl. 161 (2006)

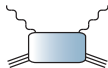
Include pion cloud:

Kubrak et al., in preparation
(see talk by C. Fischer)

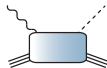
Hadron scattering

Can we extend this to **four-body scattering** processes?

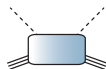
GE, Fischer, PRD 85 (2012)



**Compton scattering,
DVCS, 2γ physics**



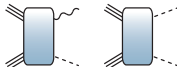
**Meson photo- and
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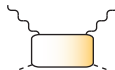
**Nucleon-pion
scattering**



$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \gamma\gamma^*$
annihilation



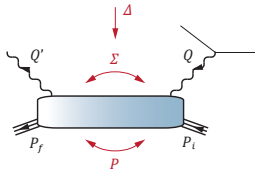
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**Pion Compton
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⇒ Nonperturbative description of hadron-photon and hadron-meson scattering

Nucleon Compton scattering

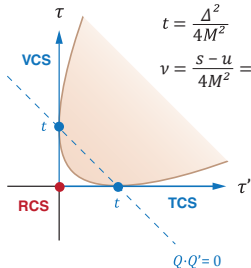


$$\tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}$$

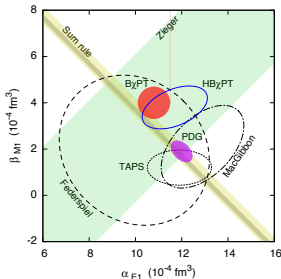
$$\tau' = \frac{Q'^2}{4M^2}$$

$$t = \frac{\Delta^2}{4M^2}$$

$$v = \frac{s-u}{4M^2} = -\frac{\Sigma \cdot P}{M^2}$$



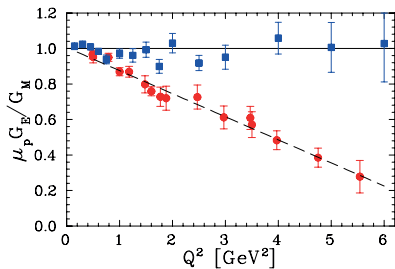
- **RCS, VCS:** nucleon polarizabilities



Krupina & Pascalutsa,
PRL 110 (2013)

- **DVCS:** handbag dominance, GPDs
- **Forward limit:** structure functions in DIS
- **Timelike region:** $p\bar{p}$ annihilation at PANDA
- **Spacelike region:** two-photon corrections to nucleon form factors, proton radius puzzle?

Two-photon corrections



Arrington et al., *Prog.Part. Nucl.Phys.* 66 (2011)

- **Proton radius puzzle:**

Proton radius extracted from Lamb shift in μH 4% smaller than that from $e\text{H}$, would need additional $\Delta E \sim 300 \mu\text{eV}$ to agree [Pohl et al., Nature 466,213 \(2010\)](#)

Can two-photon offshell corrections explain discrepancy?

[Miller, Thomas, Carroll, Rafelski](#); [Carlson, Vanderhaeghen](#); [Birse, McGovern](#); ...

- **Proton form factor ratio:**

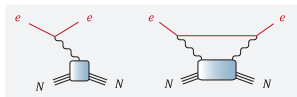
Rosenbluth extraction suggested $G_E/G_M = \text{const.}$, in agreement with perturbative scaling

Polarization data from JLAB showed falloff in G_E/G_M with possible **zero crossing**

Modified pQCD predictions: OAM

Difference likely due to two-photon corrections

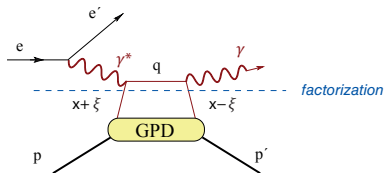
[Blunden, Melnitchouk, Tjon & Guichon, Vanderhaeghen, PRL 91 \(2003\)](#)



Handbag dominance

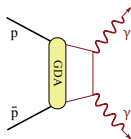
- **Handbag dominance in DVCS**

large Q^2 & s , small t : factorization, extract **GPDs** from handbag diagram



- **$p\bar{p}$ annihilation at PANDA@FAIR**

Are the concepts developed for lepton scattering (factorization, handbag dominance, GPDs) applicable?

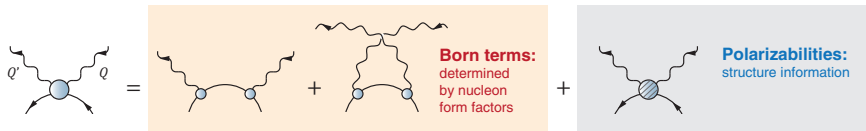


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- **Is it possible to calculate these processes directly within nonperturbative QCD?** Wishlist:

- Em. gauge invariance
- Crossing symmetry
- Poincare invariance
- Recover parton picture (handbag, ...)
- Recover hadronic structure (s , u , t -channel resonances)

Compton scattering

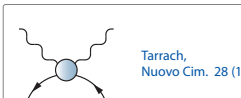
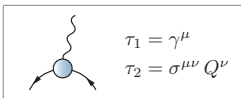


- All direct measurements in kinematic limits (RCS, VCS, forward limit).
- Em. gauge invariance \Rightarrow Compton amplitude is **fully transverse**. **Analyticity** constrains 1PI part in these limits (low-energy theorem).
- Polarizabilities = coefficients of tensor structures that vanish like $\sim Q^\mu Q'^\nu, Q^\mu Q^\nu, Q'^\mu Q'^\nu, \dots$
- Need tensor basis free of kinematic singularities (18 elements). Complicated...

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Perrottet, *Lett. Nuovo Cim.* 7 (1973)
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Drechsel et al., *PRC* 57 (1998)
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Tensor basis?



$T_1 = g_{\mu\nu}$	$T_{13} = (P_\nu k_\mu - P_\mu k_\nu) \hat{R}$
$T_2 = k_\mu k'_\nu$	$T_{14} = (P_\nu k'_\mu + P_\mu k'_\nu) \hat{R}$
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$T_6 = P_\nu P_\mu$	$T_{23} = k_\nu \gamma_\mu + k'_\nu \gamma_\mu$
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$T_9 = P_\nu k'_\mu + P_\mu k_\nu$	$T_{26} = k'_\nu \gamma_\mu - k_\nu \gamma_\mu$
$T_{10} = P_\nu k'_\mu - P_\mu k_\nu$	$T_{27} = (P_\nu \gamma_\mu + P_\mu \gamma_\nu) \hat{R} - \hat{R}(P_\nu \gamma_\mu + P_\mu \gamma_\nu)$
$T_{11} = g_{\mu\nu} \hat{R}$	$T_{28} = (P_\nu \gamma_\mu - P_\mu \gamma_\nu) \hat{R} - \hat{R}(P_\nu \gamma_\mu - P_\mu \gamma_\nu)$
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Transversality, analyticity and Bose symmetry makes the construction extremely difficult...

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_1 &= k \cdot k' T_1 - T_9, \\ \tau_2 &= k^\mu k^\nu T_1 + k \cdot k' T_3 - \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{2} T_4 + \frac{k^\nu - k'^\nu}{2} T_5, \\ \tau_3 &= (P \cdot K) T_1 + k \cdot k' T_4 - P \cdot K T_3, \\ \tau_4 &= P \cdot K (k^\mu + k'^\mu) T_1 - P \cdot K T_4 - \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{2} T_7 + \frac{k^\nu - k'^\nu}{2} T_8 + k \cdot k' T_9, \\ \tau_5 &= -P \cdot K (k^\mu - k'^\mu) T_1 + P \cdot K T_4 + \frac{k^\mu - k'^\mu}{2} T_7 - \frac{k^\nu + k'^\nu}{2} T_8 + k \cdot k' T_9, \\ \tau_6 &= P \cdot K T_1 - \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{4} T_7 - \frac{k^\nu - k'^\nu}{4} T_8 - M T_{13} + M \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{4} T_{10} - \\ &\quad - M \frac{k^\mu - k'^\mu}{4} T_{11} + \frac{k^\nu - k'^\nu}{8} T_{19} - \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{8} T_{20} - \frac{k^\nu k'^\nu}{4} T_{22}, \\ \tau_7 &= 8 T_{13} - 4 P \cdot K T_{13} + P \cdot K T_4, \\ \tau_8 &= T_{13} + \frac{k^\mu - k'^\mu}{2} T_{22} - P \cdot K T_{22} + \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{8} T_{34}, \\ \tau_9 &= T_{20} - \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{2} T_{23} + P \cdot K T_{23} - \frac{k^\mu - k'^\mu}{8} T_{24}, \\ \tau_{10} &= -8 k \cdot k' T_4 + 4 P \cdot K T_1 + 4 M k \cdot k' T_{11} - 4 M P \cdot K T_{10} - \\ &\quad - 2 P \cdot K T_{11} - 2 k \cdot k' P \cdot K T_{23} + M k \cdot k' T_{24}, \\ \tau_{11} &= T_{13} - k \cdot k' T_{11} + P \cdot K T_{13}, \\ \tau_{12} &= P \cdot K T_4 - \frac{k^\mu - k'^\mu}{2} T_7 - k \cdot k' T_4 - M T_{13} + M k \cdot k' T_{10} - \\ &\quad - M \frac{k^\mu - k'^\mu}{2} T_{11} - \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{4} T_{22} - k \cdot k' \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{4} T_{23}, \\ \tau_{13} &= P \cdot K T_3 - \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{2} T_7 + k \cdot k' T_{10} - M T_{13} + M k \cdot k' T_{14} - \\ &\quad - M \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{2} T_{11} - \frac{k^\mu - k'^\mu}{4} T_{22} - k \cdot k' \frac{k^\mu + k'^\mu}{4} T_{23}, \end{aligned}$$

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Transverse tensor basis for $\Gamma^{\mu\nu}(p, Q, Q')$

- Generalize transverse projectors: $t_{ab}^{\mu\nu} := a \cdot b \delta^{\mu\nu} - b^\mu a^\nu$ $a, b \in \{p, Q, Q'\}$
 $\varepsilon_{ab}^{\mu\nu} := \gamma_5 \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} a^\alpha b^\beta$ (exhausts all possibilities)

- Apply Bose-(anti-)symmetric combinations

$$E_{\pm}^{\mu\alpha, \beta\nu}(a, b) := \frac{1}{2} \left(\varepsilon_{Q'a'}^{\mu\alpha} \varepsilon_{bQ}^{\beta\nu} \pm \varepsilon_{Q'b'}^{\mu\alpha} \varepsilon_{aQ}^{\beta\nu} \right)$$

$$F_{\pm}^{\mu\alpha, \beta\nu}(a, b) := \frac{1}{2} \left(t_{Q'a'}^{\mu\alpha} t_{bQ}^{\beta\nu} \pm t_{Q'b'}^{\mu\alpha} t_{aQ}^{\beta\nu} \right)$$

$$G_{\pm}^{\mu\alpha, \beta\nu}(a, b) := \frac{1}{2} \left(\varepsilon_{Q'a'}^{\mu\alpha} t_{bQ}^{\beta\nu} \pm t_{Q'b'}^{\mu\alpha} \varepsilon_{aQ}^{\beta\nu} \right)$$

to structures independent of Q, Q' :

$$\delta^{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\delta^{\alpha\beta} \not{p}$$

$$[\gamma^\alpha, \gamma^\beta]$$

$$[\gamma^\alpha, \gamma^\beta, \not{p}]$$

$$p^\alpha \gamma^\beta + \gamma^\alpha p^\beta$$

$$p^\alpha \gamma^\beta - \gamma^\alpha p^\beta$$

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$$[p^\alpha \gamma^\beta - \gamma^\alpha p^\beta, \not{p}]$$

$$p^\alpha p^\beta$$

$$p^\alpha p^\beta \not{p}$$

- obtain
16 quadratic,
40 cubic
16 quartic terms
 \Rightarrow **72 in total** ✓
- no kinematic singularities ✓

- Transverse onshell basis:** [GE, Fischer, PRD 87 \(2013\) & PoS Conf. X \(2012\)](#)

$$E_+(P, P) \quad (++) \quad \tilde{E}_+(P, P) \quad (--)$$

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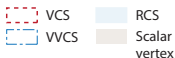
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- Simple
- analytic in all limits
- manifest crossing and charge-conjugation symmetry
- scalar & pion pole only in a few Compton form factors
- Tarrach's basis can be cast in a similar form



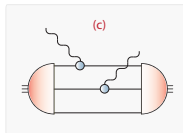
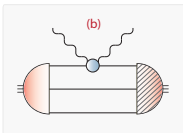
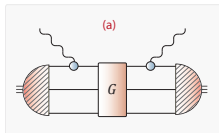
Compton amplitude at quark level

Baryon's **Compton scattering amplitude**, consistent with Faddeev equation:

GE, Fischer, PRD 85 (2012)

$$\langle H | J^\mu J^\nu | H \rangle = \bar{\chi} (G^{-1\mu} G G^{-1\nu} + G^{-1\nu} G G^{-1\mu} - (G^{-1})^{\mu\nu}) \chi$$

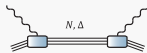
In rainbow-ladder (+ crossing & permutation):



- ✓ crossing symmetry
- ✓ em. gauge invariance
- ✓ perturbative processes included
- ✓ s, t, u channel poles generated in QCD

• **Born (handbag) diagrams:** $G = \mathbf{1} + T$

• all s- and u-channel **nucleon resonances:**



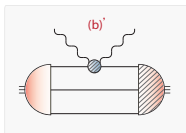
1PI quark
2-photon vertex:
all t-channel
meson poles



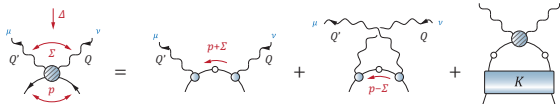
cat's ears
diagrams

Compton amplitude at quark level

Collect all (nonperturbative!) ‘**handbag**’ diagrams: no nucleon resonances, no cat’s ears

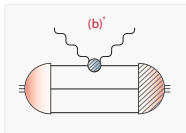


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- reduces to **perturbative handbag** at large photon momenta, but also all **t-channel poles** included! (scalar, pion, ...)
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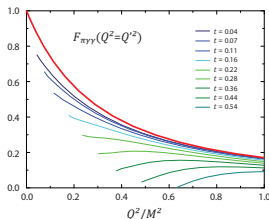
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Residues at pion pole recover $\pi\gamma\gamma$ transition form factor ✓

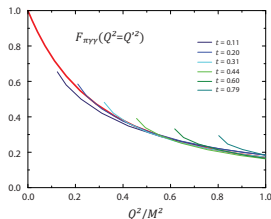
GE & Fischer, PRD 87 (2013)



Rainbow-ladder result:
Maris & Tandy, PRC 65 (2002)



(extracted from
quark Compton vertex)



(extracted from
nucleon Compton amplitude)

Compton amplitude at quark level

- Quark Compton vertex has **extremely** rich structure:

$$\Gamma^{\mu\nu}(p, Q, Q') = \sum_{i=1}^{72} f_i(p^2, Q^2, Q'^2, Q \cdot Q', p \cdot Q, p \cdot Q') \tau_i^{\mu\nu}(p, Q, Q')$$

- Exploit **em. gauge invariance**: general **offshell quark Compton vertex** can be written as

$$\Gamma^{\mu\nu} = \underbrace{\Gamma_B^{\mu\nu} + \Gamma_{BC}^{\mu\nu} + \Gamma_T^{\mu\nu}}_{\text{Born WTI WTI-T}} + \underbrace{\Gamma_{TT}^{\mu\nu}}_{\text{Transverse}}$$

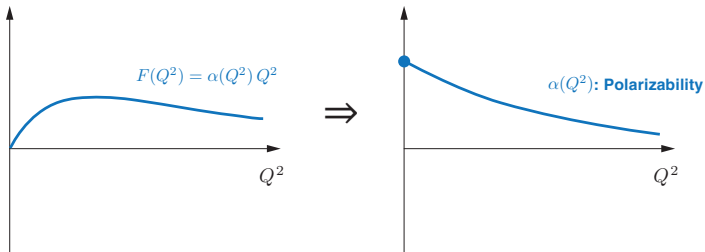
- 2-photon equivalent of **Ball-Chiu vertex**, fixed by quark propagator & quark-photon vertex
- **no kinematic singularities**
- not constrained by WTI, calculated from BSE
- **no kinematic singularities**
- contains **t-channel poles**
- 72 elements offshell (**18 elements onshell**)

- All these will contribute to Compton form factors (\Rightarrow polarizabilities, structure functions, GPDs, etc.)
Dominant contributions?

- \Rightarrow Born (**pure handbag**)?
- \Rightarrow WTI, WTI-T (**em. gauge invariance**) ?
- \Rightarrow Fully transverse part (**t-channel poles**) ?

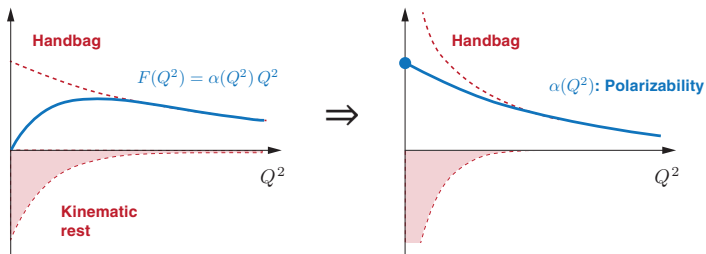
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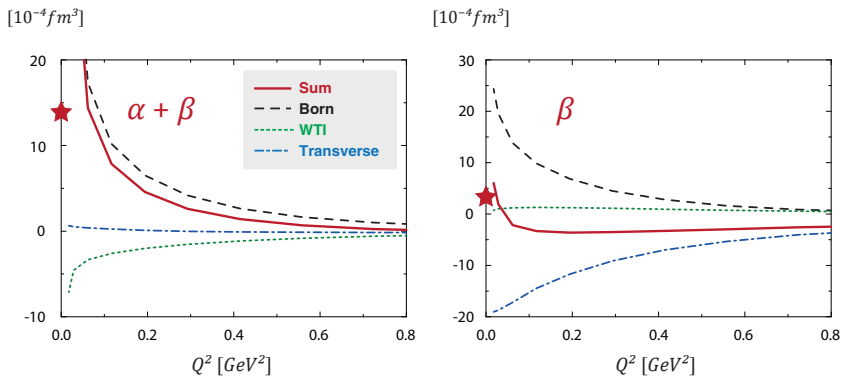


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Polarizabilities: a first look



- $\alpha + \beta$: dominated by **quark Born terms (pure handbag)**
(here: $1/Q \cdot Q'$ singularity not yet removed)
- β : cancellation between **Born** and **t-channel poles?**
no singularity in β

Summary

So far:

- Structure analysis of **Compton scattering**
- Nonperturbative calculation of **handbag part** (Born + t-channel)

Next:

- Extract **polarizabilities**
- **Two-photon exchange** contribution to form factors
- **GPDs & nucleon PDFs**
- **Pion electroproduction** at quark level
- **Nucleon resonances**
- **Timelike form factors & processes**

Need to improve:

- **Go beyond rainbow-ladder!** (Pion cloud, decay channels, higher n-point functions, ...)
- Deal with quark singularities \Rightarrow access high Q^2 , timelike region etc.)

Thanks for your attention.

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