

The spin content of the nucleon

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- The proton spin
- Renormalization
- Calculation of disconnected quark line diagrams
- Fit strategy
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Spin of the nucleon

$$\frac{1}{2} = \overbrace{\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma}^{\text{quark spin}} + \overbrace{\sum_q L_{q_+} + J_g}^{\text{dark spin}}$$

Ji decomposition into the contributions of the (longitudinal) quark spins

$$\Delta\Sigma = \Delta u_+ + \Delta d_+ + \Delta s_+ + \dots, \quad (\Delta q_+ = \Delta q + \Delta\bar{q}),$$

the (longitudinal) quark orbital angular momenta $L_{q_+} = J_{q_+} - \frac{1}{2}\Delta q_+$ and the total (longitudinal) gluon angular momentum J_g .

Naïve non-relativistic SU(6) quark model: $\Delta\Sigma = 1$, $L_{q_+} = J_g = \Delta s_+ = 0$.
Relativistic quark models: $\Delta\Sigma \sim 0.6$, $L_{\text{quarks}} \sim 0.2$.

I will say nothing about the Jaffe and Manohar decomposition:

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \mathcal{L}_{\text{quarks}} + \Delta G + \mathcal{L}_g \quad \left(J_g \neq \Delta G + \mathcal{L}_g, J_{q_+} \neq \frac{1}{2}\Delta q_+ + \mathcal{L}_{q_+} \right).$$

Individual quark spin contributions ($q \in \{u, d, s\}$)

$$\Delta q_+ s_\mu = \frac{1}{m_N} \langle N, s | \bar{q} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 q | N, s \rangle = F_A^q(0) = \tilde{A}_{10}^q(0)$$

Axial charges:

$$a_3 = -s_\mu \frac{1}{m_N} \langle N, s | \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \lambda_3 \psi | N, s \rangle = \Delta u_+ - \Delta d_+ = g_A$$

$$a_8 = -s_\mu \frac{1}{m_N} \langle N, s | \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \sqrt{3} \lambda_8 \psi | N, s \rangle = \Delta u_+ + \Delta d_+ - 2\Delta s_+$$

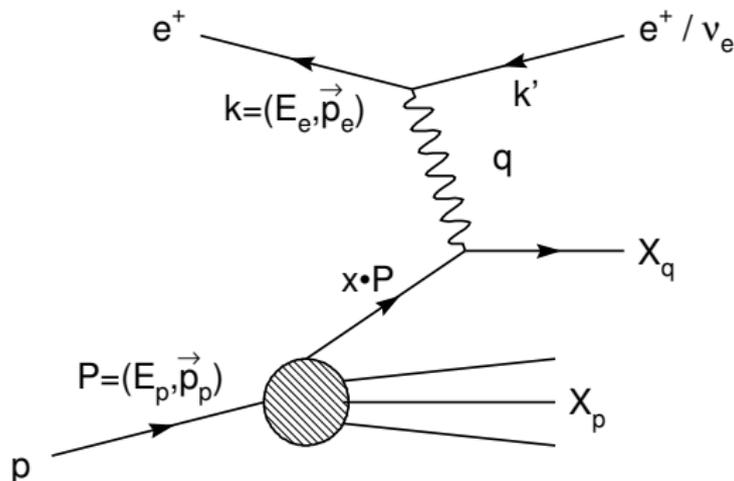
$$a_0(Q^2) = -s_\mu \frac{1}{m_N} \langle N, s | \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \mathbb{1} \psi | N, s \rangle = \Delta u_+ + \Delta d_+ + \Delta s_+ = \Delta \Sigma(Q^2).$$

$\psi = (u, d, s)^t$, λ_j are Gell-Mann flavour matrices.

$a_3 = g_A$ known from neutron β decay, assuming isospin symmetry (and the standard model).

a_8 usually estimated from hyperon β decay, assuming $SU(3)_F$ symmetry.

Deep inelastic scattering (DIS)



x : longitudinal momentum fraction of proton, carried by scattered parton.

$Q^2 = -q^2$: "virtuality" of the exchanged γ , Z , W^\pm .

Extraction of the Δq 's from experiment

DIS gives spin structure functions of proton and neutron $g_1^{p,n}(x, Q^2)$.

First moment related to a_i 's via OPE (leading twist):

$$\Gamma_1^{p,n}(Q^2) = \int_0^1 dx g_1^{p,n}(x, Q^2) = \frac{1}{36} [(a_8 \pm 3a_3)C_{NS} + 4a_0C_S]$$

Use [models](#) to extrapolate g_1 from experimental x_{\min} to $x = 0$!

$$C_{S/NS} = C_{S/NS}(\alpha_s(Q^2)).$$

Combinations of a_i give Δq 's, e.g., $\Delta s_+(Q^2) = \frac{1}{3}[a_0(Q^2) - a_8]$

SIDIS in principle enables the direct determination of the $\Delta q(x)$, $\Delta \bar{q}(x)$ PDFs but requires fragmentation functions.

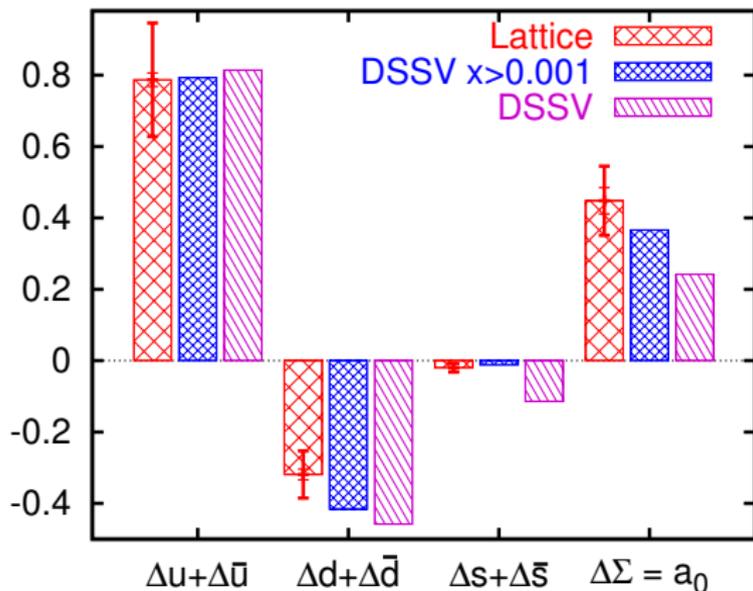
[COMPASS, [arXiv 1001.4654](#)]

	Naive Extrap.	combined with DSSV
$(\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s})(5 \text{ GeV}^2)$	$-0.02 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.02$	$-0.10 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.02$

DSSV: [[de Florian et al, arXiv:0904.3821](#)]

Our 2011 paper

$N_f = 2$, no continuum limit, $M_\pi \approx 290$ MeV \Rightarrow add 20% systematic error.

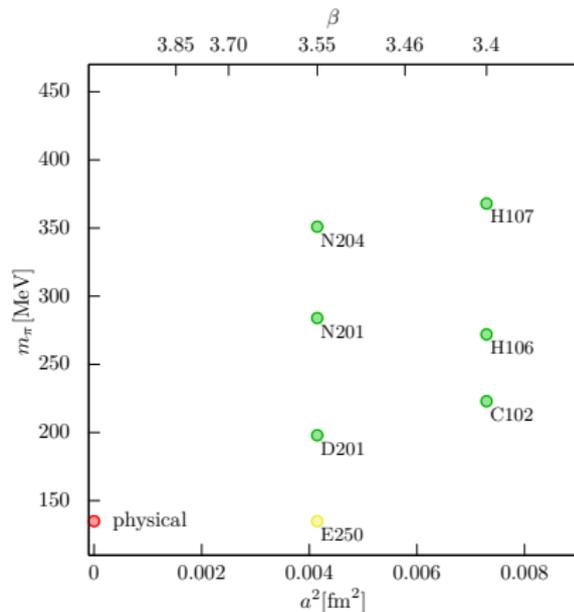
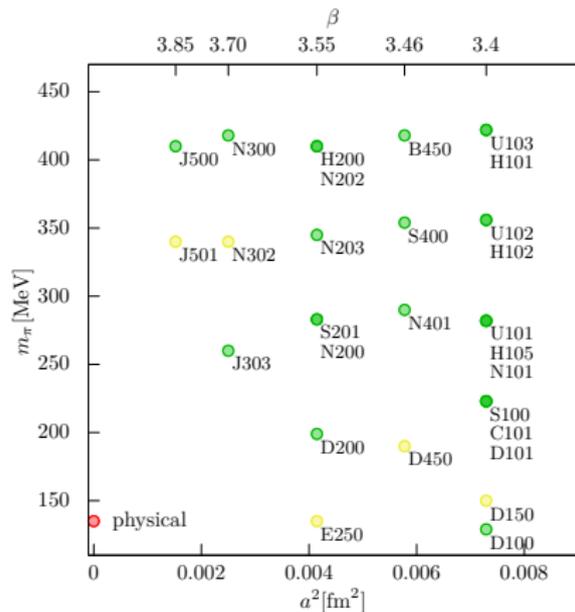


[QCDSF: GB et al, 1112.3354]

Result in the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme at $\mu^2 = 7.4$ GeV²:

$$\Delta \Sigma = \Delta u_+ + \Delta d_+ + \Delta s_+ = 0.45(4)(9), \quad \Delta s_+ = -0.020(10)(4)$$

$N_f = 2 + 1$ CLS ensembles



E: $192 \cdot 96^3$, J: $192 \cdot 64^3$, D: $128 \cdot 64^3$, N: $128 \cdot 48^3$, C: $96 \cdot 48^3$,
 S: $128 \cdot 32^3$, H: $96 \cdot 32^3$, B: $64 \cdot 32^3$, U: $128 \cdot 24^3$

→ more detail in yesterday's talk by Daniel Mohler.

$$\Delta s_+ = \frac{1}{3} (a_0 - a_8) ,$$

$$\Delta u_+ = \frac{1}{6} (2a_0 + 3a_3 + a_8) ,$$

$$\Delta d_+ = \frac{1}{6} (2a_0 - 3a_3 + a_8) .$$

a_3 and a_8 renormalize with Z_A^{ns} , $a_0(Q^2)$ renormalizes with $Z_A^s(Q^2)$.

We can also write ($q \in \{u, d, s\}$):

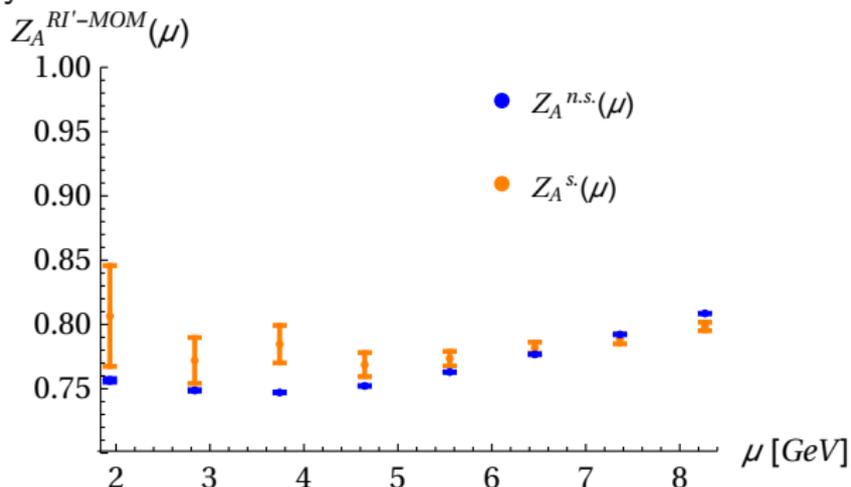
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta q_+^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(Q^2) &= Z_A^{ns} \left(\Delta q_+^{\text{lat}} - \frac{1}{3} a_0^{\text{lat}} \right) + Z_A^s(Q^2) \frac{a_0^{\text{lat}}}{3} \\ &= Z_A^{ns} \Delta q_+^{\text{lat}} + \frac{z(Q^2)}{3} \left(\Delta u_+^{\text{lat}} + \Delta d_+^{\text{lat}} + \Delta s_+^{\text{lat}} \right) , \end{aligned}$$

where $z(Q^2) = Z_A^s(Q^2) - Z_A^{ns}$.

Next step: Order a improvement \rightarrow talk by Piotr Korcyl.

Renormalization II

Carried out with the Roma-Southampton method non-perturbatively to the RI'MOM scheme on $m_\ell = m_s$ ensembles and from MOM to $\overline{\text{MS}}$ perturbatively.



$$z(2 \text{ GeV}) = Z_A^s(2 \text{ GeV}) - Z_A^{ns} = 0.045(10), \quad Z_A^{ns} \approx 0.743 \text{ (preliminary)}$$
$$z = 0.0065 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^3) \text{ [M Constantinou et al, 1610.06744]} \quad (c_{\text{SW}} = 1)$$
$$Z_A^{ns} = 0.722(11) \text{ (Schrödinger functional [J Bulava et al, 1604.05827])}$$
$$Z_A^{ns} = 0.728(4), 0.732(3) \text{ (X-space, [P Korcyl, 1705.06119])}$$

Quark line connected diagrams: sequential propagator.

Disconnected diagrams: stochastic quark loop.

- Dilution [S Bernardson et al, CPC 78 (93) 256; J Viehoff et al, NPPS 63 (98) 269; W Wilcox, arXiv:hep-lat/9911013]

Partition into 4 sets, seeding only every 4th time slice.

- Hopping parameter expansion [C Thron et al, PRD 57 (98) 1642; C Michael et al, NPPS 83 (00) 185; GB et al, PRD 71 (05) 114513]:

$$\begin{aligned} M^{-1} &= 2\kappa (\mathbb{1} - \kappa D)^{-1} = 2\kappa \sum_j (\kappa D)^j \\ &= 2\kappa \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (\kappa D)^j + (\kappa D)^n M^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

We use $n = 4$ as $\text{Tr}(\gamma_\mu \gamma_5 D^j M^{-1}) = 0$ for $j < 4$.
(more efficient than the clover HPE suggested in
[V Gülpers, G von Hippel, H Wittig, 1309.2104])

- Truncated solver method [S Collins et al, 0709.3217; 0910.3970]

Truncated solver method

random noise vectors: $|\eta^\ell\rangle$, $\ell = 1, \dots, n$, where

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{\ell} |\eta^\ell\rangle\langle\eta^\ell| = \overline{|\eta\rangle\langle\eta|}_n = \overline{|\eta\rangle\langle\eta|} = \mathbb{1} + \mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{n}), \quad \overline{|\eta\rangle} = \mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{n}).$$

Here: $\eta^\ell(x)_a^\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \otimes i\mathbb{Z}_2/\sqrt{2}$ [S Dong, K-F Liu, PLB 328 (94) 130].

By solving $M|s^\ell\rangle = |\eta^\ell\rangle$ for the $|s^\ell\rangle$ one can construct an unbiased estimate:

$$M_E^{-1} = \overline{|s\rangle\langle\eta|} = M^{-1} + M^{-1} \underbrace{(\overline{|\eta\rangle\langle\eta|} - \mathbb{1})}_{\mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{n})}$$

TSM: approximate solutions $|s_{m_t}^\ell\rangle$ after m_t solver iterations (Here $m_t = 5$).

$$M_E^{-1} = \overline{|s_{m_t}\rangle\langle\eta|}_{n_{tr}} + \overline{(|s\rangle - |s_{m_t}\rangle)\langle\eta|}_{n_{ex}} \quad \text{with} \quad n_{ex} \ll n_{tr}.$$

n_{tr}/n_{ex} can be optimized to minimize the cost for a given error.

NB: Application of TSM to volume (rather than stochastic) averaging is discussed in [T Blum et al, 1208.4349].

Optimizing the TSM parameters

“Problem”: multigrid solver set-up already does most of the job: small iteration counts \rightarrow no computer time gain anymore for connected diagrams at $M_\pi > 200$ MeV, due to the cost of contractions.

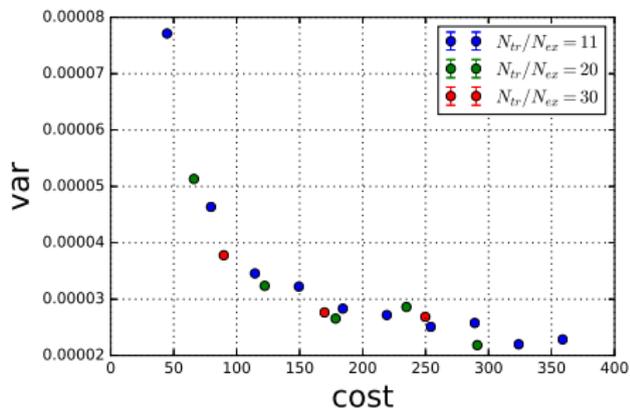
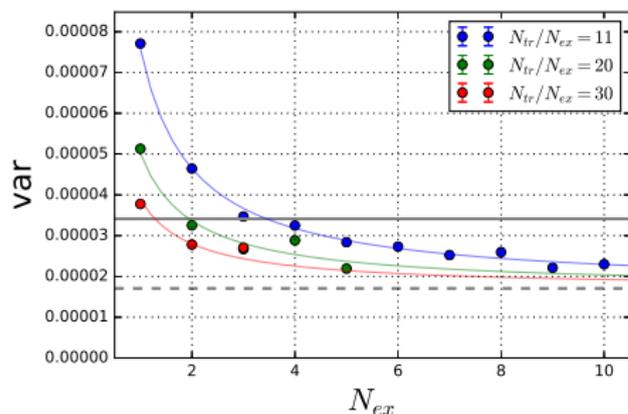
With modern solver still \exists gain for disconnected loops.

Error on n_{conf} configurations for fixed $n_{\text{tr}}/n_{\text{ex}}$:

$$\sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2 + \sigma_{\text{stoch}}^2, \quad \sigma_0^2 \propto \frac{1}{n_{\text{conf}}}, \quad \sigma_{\text{stoch}}^2 \propto \frac{1}{n_{\text{conf}} n_{\text{ex}}}$$

Target: $\sigma^2 \lesssim 2\sigma_0^2$. Otherwise it is more cost-effective to increase the number of source positions (or gauge configurations).

Optimizing the TSM parameters II



We used $n_{tr}/n_{ex} = 11$, $n_{ex} = 10$ for U103 and $n_{ex} = 18$ for the other $L/a \leq 48$ ensembles at $a \approx 0.086$ fm.

This is already overkill for Δq but cheap.

$$C_{2\text{pt}}(t_{\text{sink}}) = e^{-m_N t_{\text{sink}}} \left[A_0 + A_1 e^{-\Delta m_N t_{\text{sink}}} \right] + \dots$$

$$C_{3\text{pt}}(t_{\text{sink}}, t) = A_0 e^{-m_N t_{\text{sink}}} \left\{ B_0 + B_{01} \left[e^{-\Delta m_N (t_{\text{sink}} - t)} + e^{-\Delta m_N t} \right] + B_1 e^{-\Delta m_N t_{\text{sink}}} \right\} + \dots,$$

$$B_0 = \langle N|J|N \rangle, B_{01} \propto \langle N'|J|N \rangle, B_1 \propto \langle N'|J|N' \rangle, \Delta m_N = m_{N'} - m_N.$$

Fit $C_{2\text{pt}}$ and $C_{3\text{pt}}$ simultaneously for all t_{sink}, t with $t \in [\Delta t, t_{\text{sink}} - \Delta t]$, varying Δt . Note that

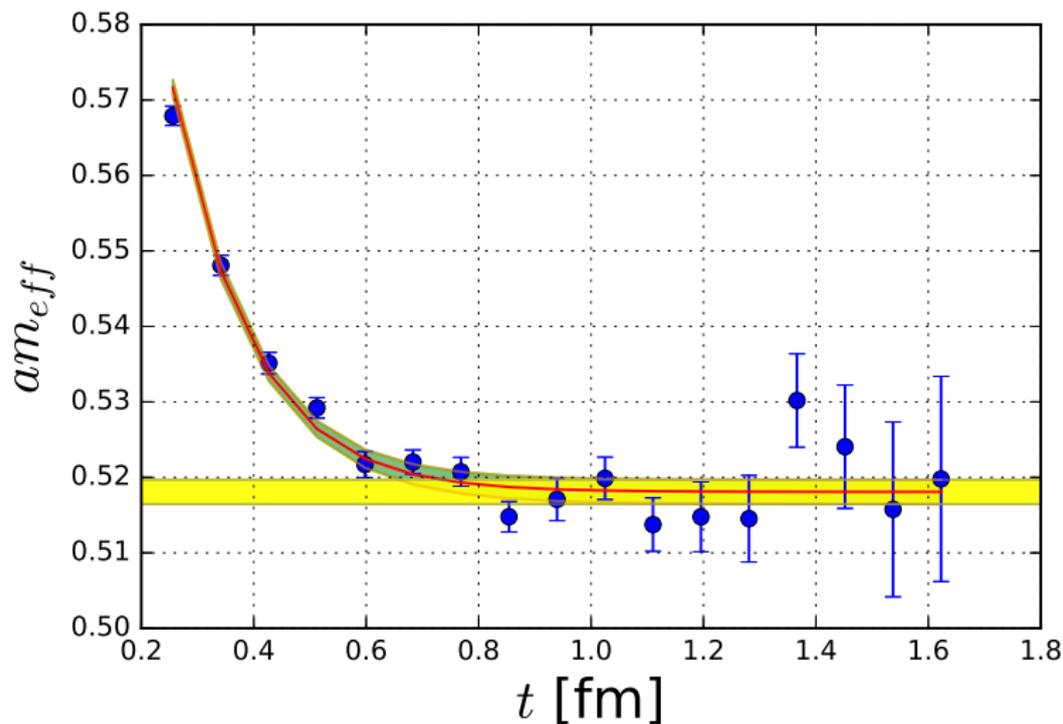
$$\frac{C_{3\text{pt}}(t_{\text{sink}}, t)}{C_{2\text{pt}}(t_{\text{sink}})} = B_0 + \dots = \frac{\langle N|J|N \rangle}{2m_N} + \dots,$$

B_1 can only be identified, varying t_{sink} .

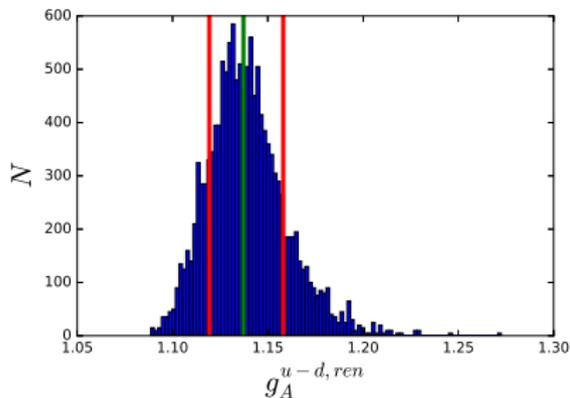
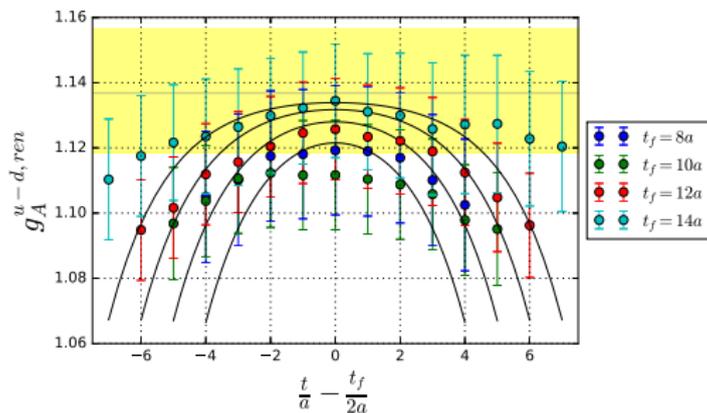
B_{01} corresponds to a transition to N' (which can be $N\pi\pi$ at large t).

$B_{01} = B_{10}$ since identical source and sink smearing.

Nucleon effective mass



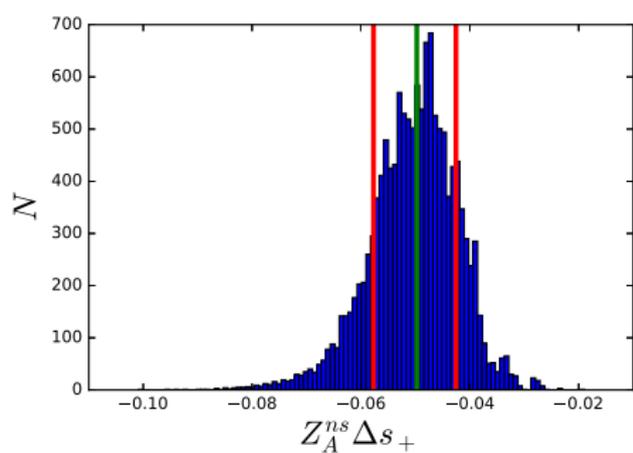
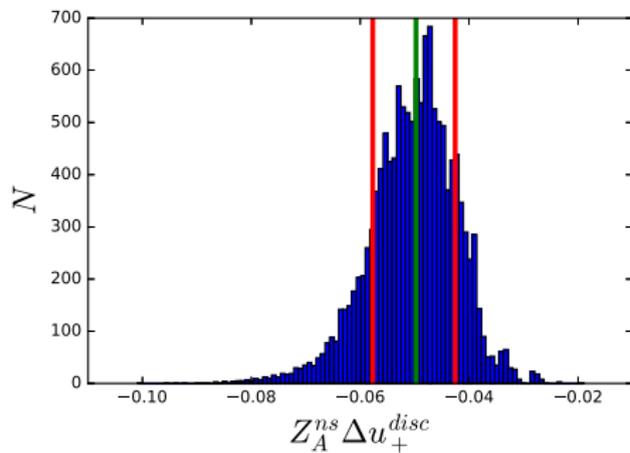
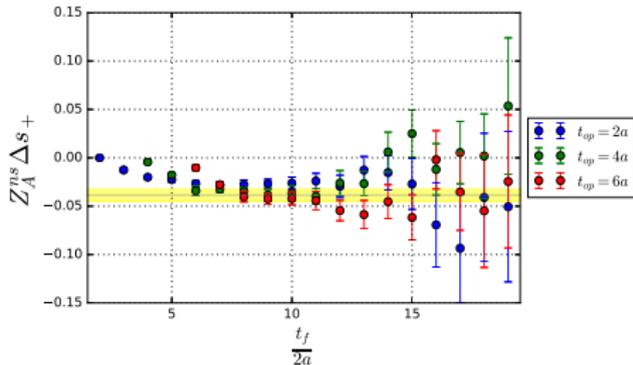
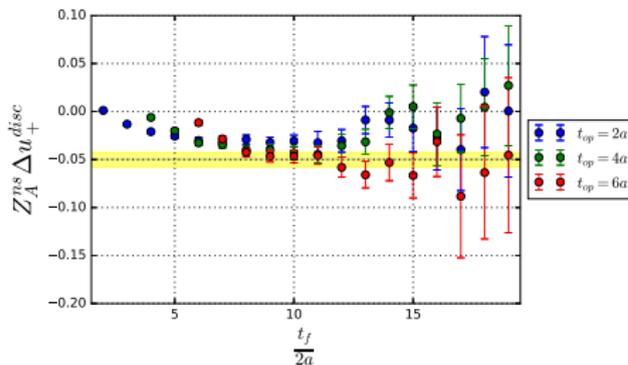
Quark line connected contributions (example: g_A)



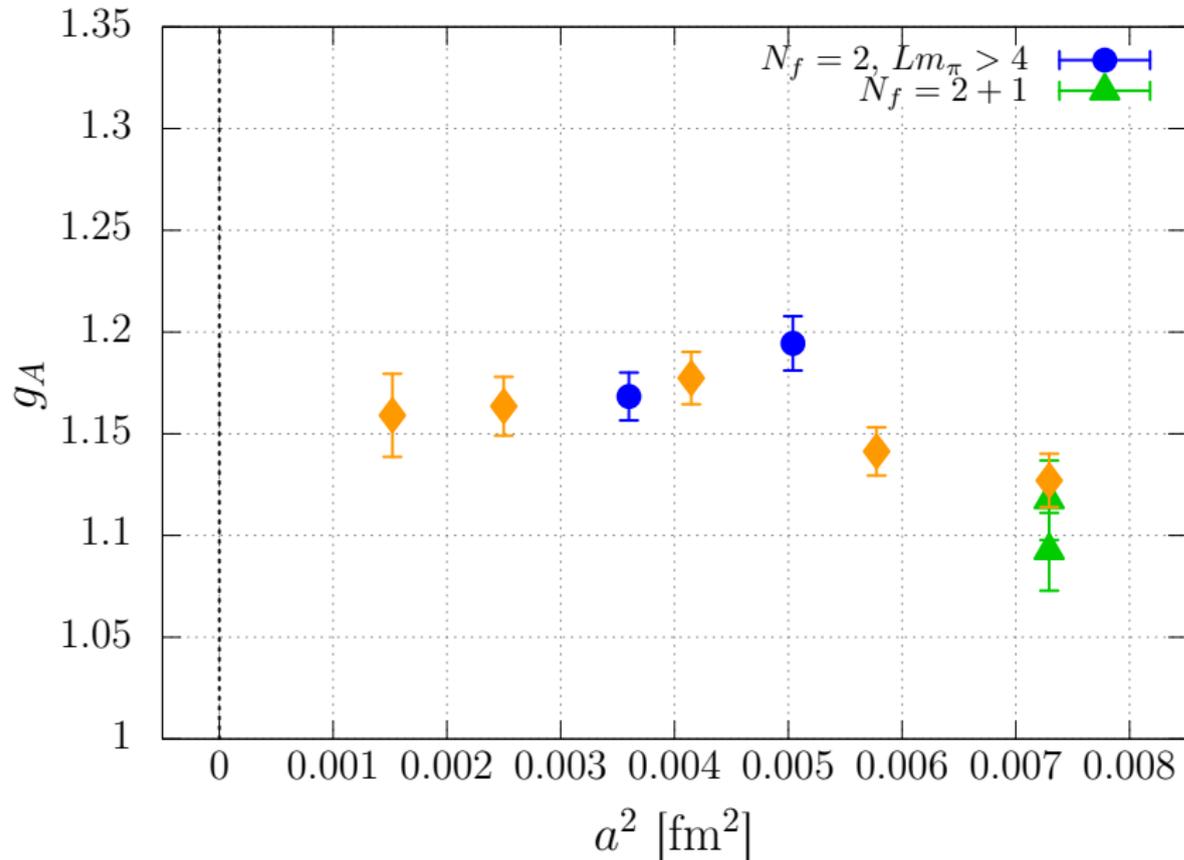
It is now considered cool to produce histograms of bootstraps of a range of valid fits a la

[GB et al, hep-lat/9308003;
S Dürr et al, 0906.3599]

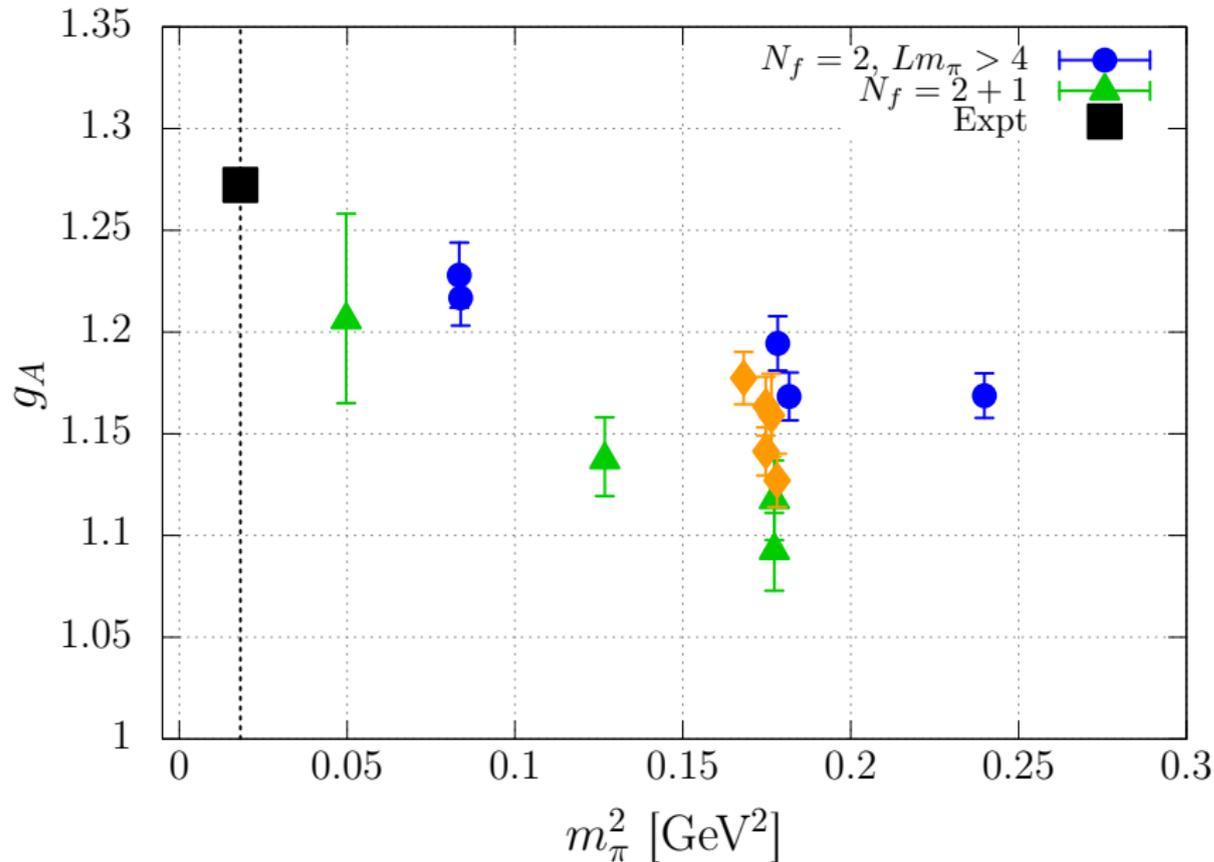
Disconnected contributions ($M_\pi \approx 350$ MeV, $a \approx 0.086$ fm)



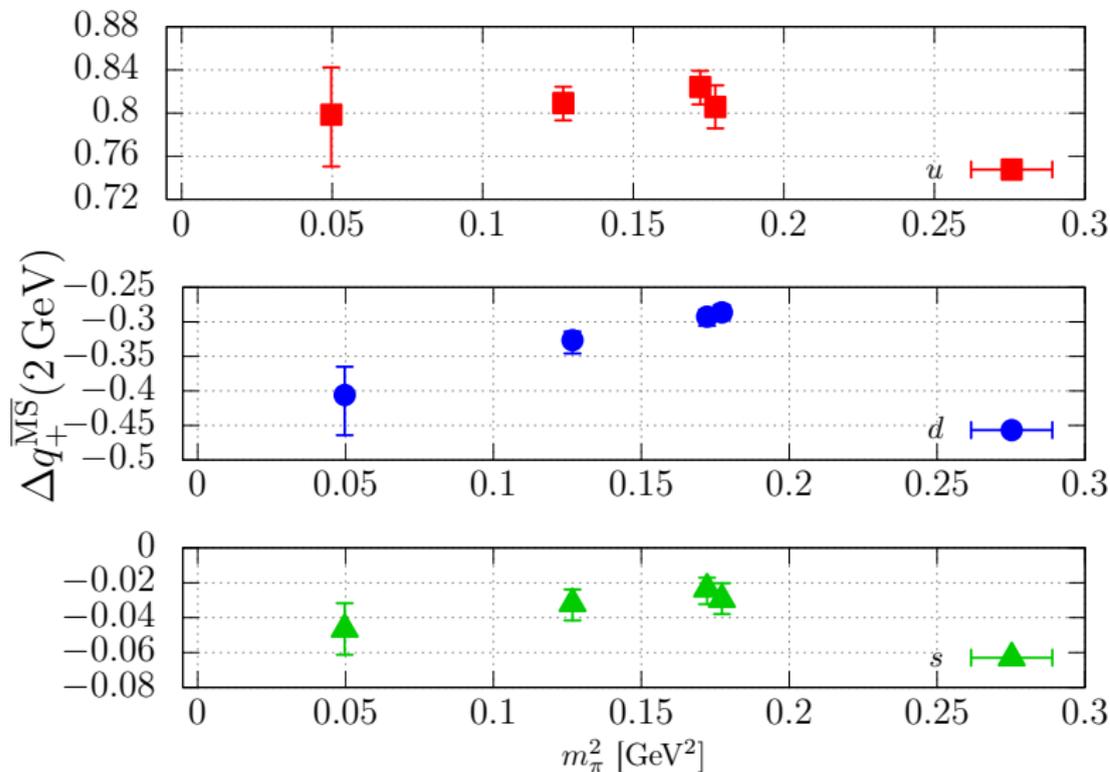
g_A : continuum limit at $M_\pi \approx 420$ MeV



g_A : quark mass dependence

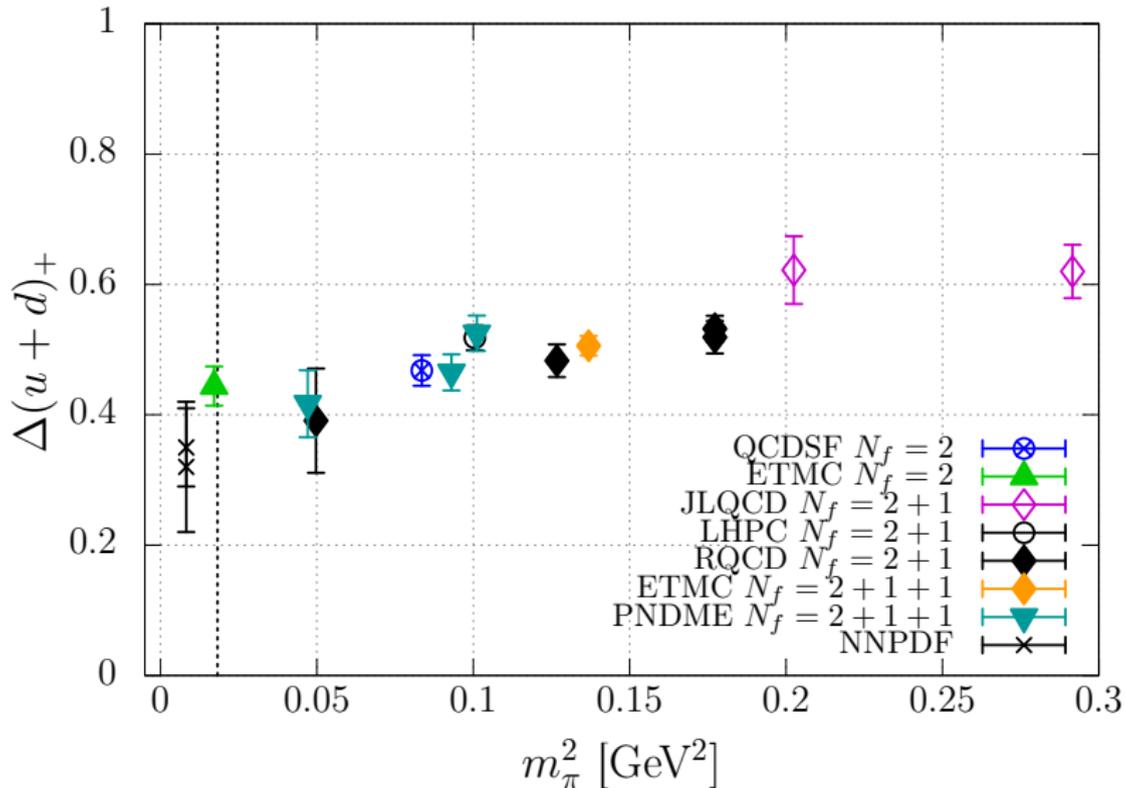


Flavour singlet combinations



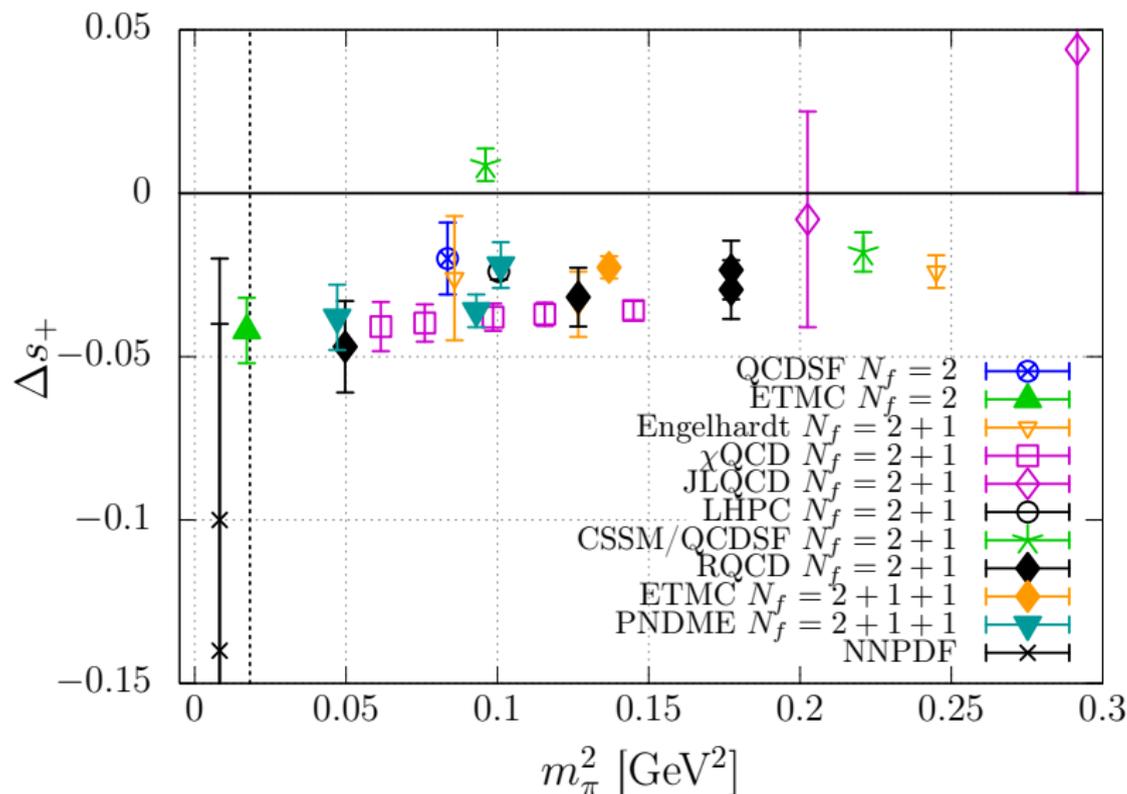
Lightest point shown (C101) in progress. Everything is preliminary.

Comparison with recent lattice calculations I



Different a , volumes etc., NNPDFpol1.1 is $x \in [0, 1]$, $x \in [0.001, 1]$.

Comparison with recent lattice calculations II



Not all results are (non-perturbatively) renormalized (and some at $Q^2 > 4 \text{ GeV}^2$).

- The non-perturbative renormalization of flavour singlet quark bilinears is becoming a standard method.
- Δs is negative and small \rightarrow will impact on polarized PDF parametrizations.
- Future plans: continuum and physical quark mass limits.
- The quark line connected contributions dominate in terms of computer time \rightarrow next talk (Marius Löffler).