QCD Phenomenology and Nucleon Structure



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Impact of AdS/CFT on QCD

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Ads/CFT and QCD

Mapping of Poincare' and Conformal SO(4,2) symmetries of 3+1 space to AdS5 space

- Representation of <u>Semi-Classical</u> QCD
- Confinement at Long Distances and Conformal Behavior at short distances
- Non-Perturbative Derivation of Dimensional Counting Rules (Strassler and Polchinski)
- Hadron Spectra, Regge Trajectories, Light-Front Wavefunctions
- Goal: A first approximant to physical QCD



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Entire light quark baryon spectrum



Fig: Predictions for the light baryon orbital spectrum for Λ_{QCD} = 0.25 GeV. The **56** trajectory corresponds to *L* even *P* = + states, and the **70** to *L* odd *P* = - states.

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SU(6)	S	L	Baryon State
	1		$x_{1}^{+}(0,0,0)$
56	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$N = \frac{1}{2} + (939)$
	$\frac{3}{2}$	0	$\Delta \frac{3}{2}^{+}(1232)$
70	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$N\frac{1}{2}^{-}(1535) N\frac{3}{2}^{-}(1520)$
	$\frac{3}{2}$	1	$N\frac{1}{2}^{-}(1650) N\frac{3}{2}^{-}(1700) N\frac{5}{2}^{-}(1675)$
	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\Delta \frac{1}{2}^{-}(1620) \ \Delta \frac{3}{2}^{-}(1700)$
56	$\frac{1}{2}$	2	$N\frac{3}{2}^+(1720) N\frac{5}{2}^+(1680)$
	$\frac{3}{2}$	2	$\Delta \frac{1}{2}^+(1910) \ \Delta \frac{3}{2}^+(1920) \ \Delta \frac{5}{2}^+(1905) \ \Delta \frac{7}{2}^+(1950)$
70	$\frac{1}{2}$	3	$N\frac{5}{2}^{-}$ $N\frac{7}{2}^{-}$
	$\frac{3}{2}$	3	$N\frac{3}{2}^{-}$ $N\frac{5}{2}^{-}$ $N\frac{7}{2}^{-}(2190)$ $N\frac{9}{2}^{-}(2250)$
	$\frac{1}{2}$	3	$\Delta \frac{5}{2}^{-}(1930) \ \Delta \frac{7}{2}^{-}$
56	$\frac{1}{2}$	4	$N\frac{7}{2}^+$ $N\frac{9}{2}^+(2220)$
	$\frac{3}{2}$	4	$\Delta \frac{5}{2}^+$ $\Delta \frac{7}{2}^+$ $\Delta \frac{9}{2}^+$ $\Delta \frac{11}{2}^+$ (2420)
70	$\frac{1}{2}$	5	$N\frac{9}{2}^{-}$ $N\frac{11}{2}^{-}$
	$\frac{3}{2}$	5	$N\frac{7}{2}^{-}$ $N\frac{9}{2}^{-}$ $N\frac{11}{2}^{-}$ (2600) $N\frac{13}{2}^{-}$

• SU(6) multiplet structure for N and Δ orbital states, including internal spin S and L.



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Space-like pion form factor in holographic model for $\Lambda_{QCD}=0.2$ GeV.



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QCD Lagrangían



QCD:
$$N_C = 3$$
 Quarks: 3_C Gluons: 8_C .
 $\alpha_s = \frac{g^2}{4\pi}$ is dimensionless

Classical Lagrangian is scale invariant for massless quarks

If
$$\beta = \frac{d\alpha_s(Q^2)}{d\log Q^2} = 0$$
 then QCD is invariant under conformal trans-
formations:

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- Polchinski & Strassler: AdS/CFT builds in conformal symmetry at short distances, counting, rules for form factors and hard exclusive processes; non-perturbative derivation
- Goal: Use AdS/CFT to provide models of hadron structure: confinement at large distances, near conformal behavior at short distances
- Holographic Model: Initial "semi-classical" approximation to QCD: Remarkable agreement with light hadron spectroscopy
- Use AdS/CFT wavefunctions as expansion basis for diagonalizing H^{LF}_{QCD}; variational methods



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Ads/QCD

- Semi-Classical approximation to massless QCD
- No particle creation, absorption
- Coupling is constant, $\beta = 0$
- Conformal symmetry broken by confinement



Strongly Coupled Conformal QCD and Holography

- Conformal Theories are invariant under the Poincaré and conformal transformations with $M^{\mu\nu}$, P^{μ} , D, K^{μ} , the generators of SO(4,2).
- QCD appears as a nearly-conformal theory in the energy regimes accessible to experiment. Invariance of conformal QCD is broken by quark masses and quantum loops. For $\beta = d\alpha_s (Q^2)/dQ^2$, QCD is a conformal theory: Parisi, Phys. Lett. B **39**, 643 (1972).
- Growing theoretical and empirical evidence that $\alpha_s(Q^2)$ has an IR fixed point: von Smekal, Alkofer and Hauck, arXiv:hep-ph/9705242; Alkofer, Fischer and Llanes-Estrada, hep-th/0412330; Deur, Burkert, Chen and Korsch, hep-ph/0509113...
- Phenomenological success of dimensional scaling laws for exclusive processes

$$d\sigma/dt \sim 1/s^{n-2}, \quad n = n_A + n_B + n_C + n_D,$$

implies QCD is a strongly coupled conformal theory at moderate but not asymptotic energies Brodsky and Farrar, Phys. Rev. Lett. **31**, 1153 (1973); Matveev *et al.*, Lett. Nuovo Cim. **7**, 719 (1973).

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Constituent Counting Rules



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(s,t) = \frac{F(\theta_{\rm Cm})}{s^{[n_{\rm tot}-2]}} \qquad s = E_{\rm Cm}^2$$

- $F_H(Q^2) \sim [\frac{1}{Q^2}]^{n_H 1} \qquad -t = Q^2$
- Point-like quark and gluon constituents plus scale-invariant interactions
 Farrar, sjb; Matveev et al
- Fall-off of Amplitude measures degree of compositeness (twist)
- Reflects near-Conformal Invariance of QCD
- PQCD: Logarithmic Modification by running coupling and Evolution Equations
 Lepage, sjb; Efremov, Radyushkin
- Angular and Spin Dependence Fundamental Wavefunctions: Hadron Distribution Amplitudes $\phi_H(x_i, Q)$



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Proton Form Factor



Test of PQCD Scaling

Constituent counting rules

Farrar, sjb; Muradyan, Matveev, Taveklidze





Conformal Invariance:

 $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(\gamma p \to MB) = \frac{F(\theta_{cm})}{s^7}$



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Quark-Counting: $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(pp \to pp) = \frac{F(\theta_{CM})}{s^{10}}$ $n = 4 \times 3 - 2 = 10$



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ALEPH Collaboration / Physics Letters B 569 (2003) 140–150



Measured distribution for $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ (left) and $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow K^+ K^-$ (right) as a function of $W_{\gamma\gamma}$. Also shown are results from TPC/Two-Gamma [10], the result of a fit to the ALEPH data and a leading twist QCD calculation with two alternative normalizations as described in the text.



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Why do dimensional counting rules work so well?

- PQCD predicts log corrections from powers of α_s , logs, pinch contributions
- QCD coupling evaluated in intermediate regime.
- IR Fixed point! DSE: Alkofer, von Smekal et al.
- QED, EW -- define coupling from observable, predict other observable
- Underlying Conformal Symmetry of QCD Lagrangian



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Define QCD Coupling from Observable Grunberg

$$R_{e^+e^- \to X}(s) \equiv 3\Sigma_q e_q^2 \left[1 + \frac{\alpha_R(s)}{\pi}\right]$$

$$\Gamma(\tau \to X e \nu)(m_{\tau}^2) \equiv \Gamma_0(\tau \to u \bar{d} e \nu) \times [1 + \frac{\alpha_{\tau}(m_{\tau}^2)}{\pi}]$$

Relate observable to observable at commensurate scales

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Scale Transformations

• Isomorphism of SO(4,2) of conformal QCD with the group of isometries of AdS space

$$ds^{2} = \frac{R^{2}}{z^{2}}(\eta_{\mu\nu}dx^{\mu}dx^{\nu} - dz^{2}),$$
 invariant measure

 $x^{\mu} \rightarrow \lambda x^{\mu}, \ z \rightarrow \lambda z$, maps scale transformations into the holographic coordinate z.

- AdS mode in z is the extension of the hadron wf into the fifth dimension.
- Different values of z correspond to different scales at which the hadron is examined.

$$x^2 \to \lambda^2 x^2, \quad z \to \lambda z.$$

 $x^2 = x_\mu x^\mu$: invariant separation between quarks

• The AdS boundary at $z \to 0$ correspond to the $Q \to \infty$, UV zero separation limit.

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- Use mapping of conformal group SO(4,2) to AdS5
- Scale Transformations represented by wavefunction $\psi(z)$ in 5th dimension $x_{\mu}^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 x_{\mu}^2$ $z \rightarrow \lambda z$
- Holographic model: Confinement at large distances and conformal symmetry in interior $0 < z < z_0$
- Match solutions at small z to conformal dimension of hadron wavefunction at short distances ψ(z) ~ z^Δ at z → 0
- Truncated space simulates "bag" boundary conditions

$$\psi(z_0)=0$$

 $z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$



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Identify hadron by its interpolating operator at $z \rightarrow 0$



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Action for scalar field in AdS5

$$S[\Phi] = \kappa' \int d^4x dz \sqrt{g} \left[g^{\ell m} \partial_\ell \Phi^* \partial_m \Phi - \mu^2 \Phi^* \Phi \right]$$

where
$$[\kappa'] = L^{-2}$$
 $g^{\ell m} = \frac{z^2}{R^2} \eta^{\ell m} \sqrt{g} = R^5 / z^5$

Action is invariant under scale transformations

$$x^{\mu} \to \lambda x^{\mu}, \quad z \to \lambda z.$$

$$\Phi(x^\ell) = \Phi(\lambda x^\ell)$$

Variation wrt Φ

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\ell}}\left(\sqrt{g}\ g^{\ell m}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^m}\Phi\right) + \mu^2\Phi = 0$$

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Solutions of form: $\Phi(x,z) = e^{-iP \cdot x} f(z)$ $P_{\mu}P^{\mu} = \mathcal{M}^2$

$$S = -\kappa R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} \left[(\partial_z f)^2 - \mathcal{M}^2 f^2 + \frac{(\mu R)^2}{z^2} f^2 \right]$$

Variation of S wrt f :

$$z^{5}\partial_{z}\left(\frac{1}{z^{3}}\partial_{z}f\right) + z^{2}\mathcal{M}^{2}f - (\mu R)^{2}f = 0.$$
$$\left[z^{2}\partial_{z}^{2} - 3z\partial_{z} + z^{2}\mathcal{M}^{2} - (\mu R)^{2}\right]f = 0$$

Introduce confinement, break conformal invariance

P-S Boundary Condition $f(z = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}) = 0$

Normalization in truncated space $R^3 \int_0^{\Lambda_{\rm QCD}^{-1}} \frac{dz}{z^3} f^2(z) = 1$ NNPSS
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Classical solution

$$f(z) = \frac{\sqrt{2}\Lambda_{\rm QCD}}{R^{3/2}J_{\alpha+1}(\beta_{\alpha,k})} z^2 J_{\alpha}(z\beta_{\alpha,k}\Lambda_{\rm QCD}),$$

where
$$\alpha = \sqrt{4 + (\mu R)^2}$$
.

$$S = -\kappa R^3 \int_0^{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1}} \frac{dz}{z^5} f \left[-z^5 \partial_z \left(\frac{1}{z^3} \partial_z \right) - z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 + (\mu R)^2 \right] f + \kappa R^3 \lim_{z \to 0} \frac{1}{z^3} f \partial_z f$$

First term vanishes leaving $S_{class} = \kappa R^3 \lim_{z \to 0} \frac{1}{z^3} f \partial_z f.$

Breitenlohner - Freedman bound $\alpha \ge 0$ NNPSS QCD Phenomenology State S

Identify $\alpha = L$ Orbital Angular Momentum, $(\mu R)^2 = -4 + L^2$

• Wave equation in AdS for bound state of two scalar partons with conformal dimension $\Delta=2+L$

$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - 3z \,\partial_z + z^2 \,\mathcal{M}^2 - L^2 + 4\right] \Phi(z) = 0,$$

with solution

$$\Phi(z) = Ce^{-iP \cdot x} z^2 J_L(z\mathcal{M}).$$

- For spin-carrying constituents: $\Delta \to \tau = \Delta \sigma$, $\sigma = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma_i$.
- The twist τ is equal to the number of partons $\tau = n$.
- Two-quark vector meson described by wave equation

$$\left[z^2 \,\partial_z^2 - 3z \,\partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - L^2 + 4\right] \Phi_\mu(z) = 0,$$

with solution

$$\Phi_{\mu}(x,z) = C e^{-iP \cdot x} z^2 J_L(z\mathcal{M}) \epsilon_{\mu}.$$



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Match fall-off at small z to Conformal Dimension of State at short distances

- Pseudoscalar mesons: $\mathcal{O}_{3+L} = \overline{\psi}\gamma_5 D_{\{\ell_1} \dots D_{\ell_m\}}\psi$ ($\Phi_\mu = 0$ gauge).
- 4-*d* mass spectrum from boundary conditions on the normalizable string modes at $z = z_0$, $\Phi(x, z_0) = 0$, given by the zeros of Bessel functions $\beta_{\alpha,k}$: $\mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k} = \beta_{\alpha,k} \Lambda_{QCD}$
- Normalizable AdS modes $\Phi(z)$



Fig: Meson orbital and radial AdS modes for $\Lambda_{QCD}=0.32~{\rm GeV}.$



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AdS solution:

$$\Phi(z) = Ce^{-iP \cdot x} z^2 J_\alpha(zM)$$

At large argument of the Bessel function

$$\Phi(x,z) = Ce^{-iP \cdot x} z^{\frac{d}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi z \mathcal{M}}} \cos\left(z\mathcal{M} - \frac{\pi}{4}\sqrt{d^2 + 4l(l+4)} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right).$$

Dirichlet boundary

condition:

$$\Phi(x, z = z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}) = 0$$

$$M(n,l) = \frac{\pi}{2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \sqrt{d^2 + 4 \, l(l+d)} \right) + (2n+1) \right] \Lambda_{QCD}$$

Quadratic Regge Relation

In the large
$$\ell$$
 limit:
 $M^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{4} \ell^2 \Lambda^2_{QCD}$

Independent of n, d

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Baryon Spectrum

• Baryon: twist-three, dimension $\Delta = \frac{9}{2} + L$

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$$\mathcal{O}_{\frac{9}{2}+L} = \psi D_{\{\ell_1} \dots D_{\ell_q} \psi D_{\ell_{q+1}} \dots D_{\ell_m}\} \psi, \quad L = \sum_{i=1}^m \ell_i$$

Wave Equation: $\left| \left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - 3z \partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - \mathcal{L}_{\pm}^2 + 4 \right] f_{\pm}(z) = 0 \right|$

with $\mathcal{L}_+ = L + 1$, $\mathcal{L}_- = L + 2$, and solution

$$\Psi(x,z) = Ce^{-iP \cdot x} z^2 \Big[J_{1+L}(z\mathcal{M}) u_+(P) + J_{2+L}(z\mathcal{M}) u_-(P) \Big]$$

• 4-*d* mass spectrum $\Psi(x, z_o)^{\pm} = 0 \implies \text{parallel Regge trajectories for baryons !}$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k}^{+} = \beta_{\alpha,k} \Lambda_{QCD}, \quad \mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k}^{-} = \beta_{\alpha+1,k} \Lambda_{QCD}.$$

• Ratio of eigenvalues determined by the ratio of zeros of Bessel functions !

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• μ determined asymptotically by spectral comparison with orbital excitations in the boundary: $\mu = L/R$ and λ are the eigenvalues of the Dirac equation on S^{d+1} :

$$\lambda_{\kappa}R = \pm \left(\kappa + \frac{d}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right), \quad \kappa = 0, 1, 2...$$

• Baryon: twist-three, dimension $\Delta = \frac{9}{2} + L$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\frac{9}{2}+L} = \psi D_{\{\ell_1} \dots D_{\ell_q} \psi D_{\ell_{q+1}} \dots D_{\ell_m\}} \psi, \quad L = \sum_{i=1}^m \ell_i.$$

• Normalizable AdS fermion mode (lowest KK-mode $\kappa=0$:

$$\begin{split} \Psi_{\alpha,k}(x,z) &= C_{\alpha,k} e^{-iP \cdot x} z^{\frac{5}{2}} \Big[J_{\alpha}(z\beta_{\alpha,k}\Lambda_{QCD}) \ \mu_{+}(P) + J_{\alpha+1}(z\beta_{\alpha,k}\Lambda_{QCD}) \ \mu_{-}(P) \Big]. \end{split}$$
 where $\mu^{-} &= \frac{\gamma^{\mu}P_{\mu}}{P} \mu^{+}, \alpha = 2 + L \text{ and } \Delta = \frac{9}{2} + L. \end{split}$

• 4-d mass spectrum $\Psi(x, z_o)^{\pm} = 0 \implies$ parallel Regge trajectories for baryons !

$$\mathcal{M}_{\nu,n}^+ = \alpha_{\nu,n} \Lambda_{QCD}, \quad \mathcal{M}_{\nu,n}^- = \alpha_{\nu+1,n} \Lambda_{QCD}$$

• Spin- $\frac{3}{2}$ Rarita-Schwinger eq. in AdS similar to spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ in the $\Psi_z = 0$ gauge for polarization along Minkowski coordinates, Ψ_{μ} . See: Volovich, hep-th/9809009.

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Predictions of AdS/CFT

Only one parameter!

Entire light quark baryon spectrum

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Glueball Spectrum

• AdS wave function with effective mass μ :

$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - (d-1)z \partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - (\mu R)^2\right] f(z) = 0,$$

where $\Phi(x,z) = e^{-iP \cdot x} f(z)$ and $P_{\mu}P^{\mu} = \mathcal{M}^2$.

- Glueball interpolating operator with twist -dimension minus spin- two, and conformal dimension $\Delta=4+L$

$$\mathcal{O}_{4+L} = FD_{\{\ell_1} \dots D_{\ell_m\}}F,$$

where $L = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \ell_i$ is the total internal space-time orbital momentum.

• Normalizable scalar AdS mode (d = 4):

$$\Phi_{\alpha,k}(x,z) = C_{\alpha,k} e^{-iP \cdot x} z^2 J_\alpha \left(z \,\beta_{\alpha,a} \Lambda_{QCD} \right)$$

with $\alpha = 2 + L$ and scaling dimension $\Delta = 4 + L$.

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Glueball Regge trajectories from gauge/string duality and the Pomeron

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Neumann Boundary Conditions

Dirichlet Boundary Conditions

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Substitute

 $f(z) = \left(\frac{z}{R}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \phi(z)$

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{dz^2} + V(z)\right]\phi(z) = \mathcal{M}^2\phi(z)$$

Conformal Kernel $V(z) = -\frac{1-4\alpha^2}{4z^2}$ de Teramond, sjb

HO Kernel
$$V(z) = -\frac{1-4\alpha^2}{4z^2} + \kappa^4 z^2$$
 Karch, et al.

Solutions:

$$\phi_{\alpha}(z) = \kappa^{\alpha+1} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+\alpha)!}} z^{1/2+\alpha} e^{-\kappa^2 z^2/2} L_n^{\alpha}(\kappa^2 z^2)$$



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Why islpha quantized?

$$S = \lambda \int_{0}^{\infty} d\zeta \left[(\partial_{\zeta} \phi)^{2} - \mathcal{M}^{2} \phi^{2} - \frac{1 - 4\alpha^{2}}{4\zeta^{2}} \phi^{2} + \kappa^{4} z^{2} \phi^{2} \right]$$
$$S[\phi] = S_{class}[\phi] + S_{fluct}[\phi]$$
$$S_{fluct} = \lambda \alpha^{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{d\zeta}{\zeta^{2}} \phi^{2} = \lambda \kappa^{2} \alpha$$
$$\alpha \neq 0 \text{ solutions}$$

Semí-classical quantization: Fluctuations should leave Z unchanged

$$Z[\phi] \sim e^{iS[\phi]} = e^{iS_{class}[\phi]}.$$

$$S_{fluct} = 2\pi\alpha = 2\pi L$$

Thus $\alpha = L$ is integer $\lambda = 2\pi/\kappa^2$

(Heuristic argument)

Matches integral twist-dimension of state

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Dírac's Amazing Idea: The "Front Form" Evolve in light-front time!





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Light-Front Wavefunctions



Invariant under boosts! Independent of \mathcal{P}^{μ}



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Mapping between LF(3+1) and AdS₅





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The Form Factor in AdS Space

• Non-conformal metric dual to a confining gauge theory

$$ds^{2} = \frac{R^{2}}{z^{2}} e^{2A(z)} \left(\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^{\mu} dx^{\nu} - dz^{2} \right),$$

where $A(z) \rightarrow 0$ as $z \rightarrow 0$ (Polchinski and Strassler, hep-th/0109174).

• Hadronic matrix element for EM coupling with string mode $\Phi(x, z)$, $x^{\ell} = (x^{\mu}, z)$

$$ig_5 \int d^4x \, dz \, \sqrt{g} \, A^\ell(x,z) \Phi^*_{P'}(x,z) \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\ell \Phi_P(x,z).$$

• Electromagnetic probe polarized along Minkowski coordinates,

$$A_{\mu} = \epsilon_{\mu} e^{-iQ \cdot x} J(Q, z), \quad A_z = 0,$$

with

$$J(Q, z) = zQK_1(zQ), \quad J(Q = 0, z) = J(Q, z = 0) = 1$$

• Hadronic modes are plane waves along the Poincaré coordinates with four-momentum P^{μ} and invariant mass $P_{\mu}P^{\mu}=\mathcal{M}^2$

$$\Phi(x,z) = e^{-iP \cdot x} f(z), \quad f(z) \to z^{\Delta}, \ z \to 0.$$

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- Propagation of external perturbation suppressed inside AdS.
- At large enough $Q \sim r/R^2$, the interaction occurs in the large-r conformal region. Important contribution to the FF integral from the boundary near $z \sim 1/Q$.



• Consider a specific AdS mode $\Phi^{(n)}$ dual to an n partonic Fock state $|n\rangle$. At small z, $\Phi^{(n)}$ scales as $\Phi^{(n)} \sim z^{\Delta_n}$. Thus:

$$F(Q^2) \rightarrow \left[\frac{1}{Q^2}\right]^{\tau-1}, \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{General result from} \\ \text{AdS/CFT} \end{array}$$

where $\tau = \Delta_n - \sigma_n$, $\sigma_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i$. The twist is equal to the number of partons, $\tau = n$.

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Space-like pion form factor in holographic model for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.2$ GeV.

Contributions from Feynman large-x and high transverse momenta regimes



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Holographic Model for QCD Light-Front Wavefunctions

Drell-Yan-West form factor

$$F(q^2) = \sum_{q} e_q \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi_{P'}^*(x, \vec{k}_\perp - x\vec{q}_\perp) \psi_P(x, \vec{k}_\perp).$$

• Fourrier transform to impact parameter space \vec{b}_{\perp}

$$\psi(x,\vec{k}_{\perp}) = \sqrt{4\pi} \int d^2 \vec{b}_{\perp} \; e^{i\vec{b}_{\perp}\cdot\vec{k}_{\perp}} \widetilde{\psi}(x,\vec{b}_{\perp})$$

• Find ($b=|ec{b}_{\perp}|$) :

$$F(q^2) = \int_0^1 dx \int d^2 \vec{b}_\perp e^{ix\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} |\tilde{\psi}(x,b)|^2 \qquad \text{Soper}$$
$$= 2\pi \int_0^1 dx \int_0^\infty b \, db \, J_0 \left(bqx\right) \, \left|\tilde{\psi}(x,b)\right|^2,$$



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Two parton case

• Change the integration variable $\zeta = |ec{b}_{\perp}| \sqrt{x(1-x)}$

$$F(Q^2) = 2\pi \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x(1-x)} \int_0^{\zeta_{max} = \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1}} \zeta \, d\zeta \, J_0\left(\frac{\zeta Qx}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}}\right) \left|\widetilde{\psi}(x,\zeta)\right|^2,$$

• Compare with AdS form factor for arbitrary Q. Find:

$$J(Q,\zeta) = \int_0^1 dx J_0\left(\frac{\zeta Qx}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}}\right) = \zeta Q K_1(\zeta Q),$$

the solution for the electromagnetic potential in AdS space, and

$$\widetilde{\psi}(x,\vec{b}_{\perp}) = \frac{\Lambda_{\rm QCD}}{\sqrt{\pi}J_1(\beta_{0,1})}\sqrt{x(1-x)}J_0\left(\sqrt{x(1-x)}|\vec{b}_{\perp}|\beta_{0,1}\Lambda_{QCD}\right)\theta\left(\vec{b}_{\perp}^2 \le \frac{\Lambda_{\rm QCD}^{-2}}{x(1-x)}\right)$$

the holographic LFWF for the valence Fock state of the pion $\psi_{\overline{q}q/\pi}$.

• The variable ζ , $0 \leq \zeta \leq \Lambda_{QCD}^{-1}$, represents the scale of the invariant separation between quarks and is also the holographic coordinate $\zeta = z$!

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Mapping between LF(3+1) and AdS₅





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Map AdS/CFT to 3+1 LF Theory

Effective radial equation:

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + V(\zeta)\right]\phi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}^2\phi(\zeta)$$
$$\zeta^2 = x(1-x)\mathbf{b}_{\perp}^2.$$

Effective conformal potential: $V(\zeta$

$$V(\zeta) = -\frac{1 - 4L^2}{4\zeta^2}.$$

General solution:

$$\widetilde{\psi}_{L,k}(x, \vec{b}_{\perp}) = B_{L,k} \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$
$$J_L\left(\sqrt{x(1-x)} | \vec{b}_{\perp} | \beta_{L,k} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}\right) \theta\left(\vec{b}_{\perp}^2 \le \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-2}}{x(1-x)}\right),$$

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AdS/CFT Prediction for Meson LFWF



Two-parton holographic LFWF in impact space $\widetilde{\psi}(x,\zeta)$ for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$ GeV: (a) ground state $L = 0, \ k = 1$; (b) first orbital exited state $L = 1, \ k = 1$; (c) first radial exited state $L = 0, \ k = 2$. The variable ζ is the holographic variable $z = \zeta = |b_{\perp}| \sqrt{x(1-x)}$.

$$\widetilde{\psi}(x,\zeta) = \frac{\Lambda_{\rm QCD}}{\sqrt{\pi}J_1(\beta_{0,1})} \sqrt{x(1-x)} J_0\left(\zeta\beta_{0,1}\Lambda_{QCD}\right) \theta\left(z \le \Lambda_{\rm QCD}^{-1}\right)$$



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AdS/CFT Predictions for Meson LFWF $\psi(x,b_{\perp})$



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Harmonic Oscillator



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General n-parton case

• Form factor in AdS is the overlap of normalizable modes dual to the incoming and outgoing hadrons Φ_P and $\Phi_{P'}$ with the non-normalizable mode J(Q, z) dual to the external source

$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z^3} e^{3A(z)} \Phi_{P'}(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_P(z).$$

Polchinski and Strassler, hep-th/0209211

• Integrate Soper formula over angles:

$$F(q^2) = 2\pi \int_0^1 dx \frac{(1-x)}{x} \int \zeta d\zeta J_0\left(\zeta q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}}\right) \tilde{\rho}(x,\zeta).$$

• Transversality variable

$$\zeta = \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x}} \Big| \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \mathbf{b}_{\perp j} \Big|.$$

• Compare AdS and QCD expressions of FFs for arbitrary Q using identity:

$$\int_0^1 dx J_0\left(\zeta Q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}}\right) = \zeta Q K_1(\zeta Q),$$

the solution for $J(Q,\zeta)$!



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• Define effective single particle transverse density by (Soper, Phys. Rev. D 15, 1141 (1977))

$$F(q^2) = \int_0^1 dx \int d^2 \vec{\eta}_\perp e^{i\vec{\eta}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} \tilde{\rho}(x, \vec{\eta}_\perp)$$

• From DYW expression for the FF in transverse position space:

$$\tilde{\rho}(x,\vec{\eta}_{\perp}) = \sum_{n} \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \int dx_j \, d^2 \vec{b}_{\perp j} \, \delta(1-x-\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j) \, \delta^{(2)} (\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \vec{b}_{\perp j} - \vec{\eta}_{\perp}) |\psi_n(x_j,\vec{b}_{\perp j})|^2$$

• Compare with the the form factor in AdS space for arbitrary Q:

$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z^3} e^{3A(z)} \Phi_{P'}(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_P(z)$$

• Holographic variable z is expressed in terms of the average transverse separation distance of the spectator constituents $\vec{\eta} = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \vec{b}_{\perp j}$

$$z = \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \vec{b}_{\perp j} \right|$$

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• Hadronic QCD transverse density $\tilde{
ho}$ is identified with the string mode density $|\Phi|^2$ in AdS space!

$$\tilde{\rho}(x,\zeta) = \frac{R^3}{2\pi} \frac{x}{1-x} e^{3A(\zeta)} \frac{|\Phi(\zeta)|^2}{\zeta^4}$$

- The variable ζ represents the invariant separation between point-like constituents and it is also the holographic variable: $\zeta = z$.
- For two-partons

$$\tilde{\rho}(x,\zeta) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \left| \widetilde{\psi}(x,\zeta) \right|^2.$$

• Two-parton bound state LFWF

$$\left|\widetilde{\psi}(x,\zeta)\right|^2 = \frac{R^3}{2\pi} x(1-x) e^{3A(\zeta)} \frac{\left|\Phi(\zeta)\right|^2}{\zeta^4}.$$

Brodsky and de Teramond, arXiv:hep-ph/0602252

• Short distance behavior of LFWF: $\widetilde{\psi}(x, \mathbf{b}_{\perp}) \sim (\mathbf{b}_{\perp}^2)^{\Delta - 2}$.

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• Our final result: hadronic QCD transverse density $\tilde{\rho}$ is determined by the modes Φ in AdS space!

$$\tilde{\rho}(x,\zeta) = \frac{R^3}{2\pi} \frac{x}{1-x} e^{3A(\zeta)} \frac{|\Phi(\zeta)|^2}{\zeta^4}$$

- The variable ζ , $0 \leq \zeta \leq \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1}$, is related to the average transverse separation between spectator constituents, and it is also the holographic variable z, $\zeta = z$.
- For the two-particle case

$$\tilde{p}(x,\zeta) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} |\psi(x,\zeta)|^2,$$

and we recover our previous results

$$|\psi(x,\zeta)|^2 \simeq \frac{R^3}{2\pi} x(1-x) \frac{|\Phi(\zeta)|^2}{\zeta^4} \theta\left(\zeta^2 \le \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-2}\right).$$



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Hadron Distribution Amplitudes

Lepage; SJB Efremov, Radyuskin

$$\phi(x_i, Q) \equiv \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \int^Q d^2 \vec{k}_{\perp} \psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i})$$

- Fundamental measure of valence wavefunction
- Gauge Invariant (includes Wilson line)
- Evolution Equations, OPE
- Conformal Expansion
- Hadronic Input in Factorization Theorems

AdS/CFT:
$$\phi(x,Q_0) \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$



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Baryon Form Factors

- Coupling of the extended AdS mode with an external gauge field $A^{\mu}(x,z)$

$$ig_5 \int d^4x \, dz \, \sqrt{g} \, A_\mu(x,z) \, \overline{\Psi}(x,z) \gamma^\mu \Psi(x,z),$$

where

$$\Psi(x,z) = e^{-iP \cdot x} \left[\psi_+(z) u_+(P) + \psi_-(z) u_-(P) \right],$$

$$\psi_+(z) = C z^2 J_1(zM), \qquad \psi_-(z) = C z^2 J_2(zM),$$

and

$$u(P)_{\pm} = \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2} u(P).$$

$$\psi_+(z) \equiv \psi^{\uparrow}(z), \quad \psi_-(z) \equiv \psi^{\downarrow}(z),$$

the LC \pm spin projection along \hat{z} .

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• Constant C determined by charge normalization:

$$C = \frac{\sqrt{2}\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{R^{3/2} \left[-J_0(\beta_{1,1})J_2(\beta_{1,1})\right]^{1/2}}$$

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Consider the spin non-flip form factors in the infinite wall approximation

$$F_{+}(Q^{2}) = g_{+}R^{3} \int \frac{dz}{z^{3}} J(Q,z) |\psi_{+}(z)|^{2},$$

$$F_{-}(Q^{2}) = g_{-}R^{3} \int \frac{dz}{z^{3}} J(Q,z) |\psi_{-}(z)|^{2},$$

where the effective charges g_+ and g_- are determined from the spin-flavor structure of the theory.

- Choose the struck quark to have $s^z = +1/2$. The two AdS solutions $\psi_+(z)$ and $\psi_-(z)$ correspond to nucleons with $J^z = +1/2$ and -1/2.
- For SU(6) spin-flavor symmetry (proton up)

$$N_{u\uparrow}^{\uparrow} = \frac{5}{3}, \ N_{u\downarrow}^{\uparrow} = \frac{1}{3}, \ N_{d\uparrow}^{\uparrow} = \frac{1}{3}, \ N_{d\downarrow}^{\uparrow} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

Final result

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J(Q, z) |\psi_+(z)|^2,$$

$$F_1^n(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{3} R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J(Q, z) \left[|\psi_+(z)|^2 - |\psi_-(z)|^2 \right].$$

where $F_1^p(0) = 1$, $F_1^n(0) = 0$. NNPSS

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Dirac Proton Form Factor

(Valence Approximation)



Prediction for $Q^4 F_1^p(Q^2)$ for $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.21$ GeV in the hard wall approximation. Analysis of the data is from Diehl (2005). Red points are from Sill (1993). Superimposed Green points are from Kirk (1973).

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Dirac Neutron Form Factor

(Valence Approximation)

 $Q^4F_1^n(Q^2)$ [GeV⁴] 0 -0.05 -0.1 -0.15 -0.2 -0.25 -0.3 -0.35 2 3 1 4 5 6 Q^2 [GeV²]

Prediction for $Q^4 F_1^n(Q^2)$ for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.21$ GeV in the hard wall approximation. Data analysis from Diehl (2005).

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Ads/CFT and QCD

• Meson distribution amplitude $\phi(x, Q_0) \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$

- Dominance of constituent interchange mechanism
- Power-law behavior from small impact separation b_{\perp} high transverse momentum k_{\perp} as well as x near 1
- High transverse momentum behavior matches PQCD LFWF with orbital: Belitsky, Ji, Yuan
- Perfect match of LF and AdS/CFT formulae for form factors



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Applications of Light-Front Wavefunctions

- Exact formulae for form factors, quark and gluon distributions; vanishing anomalous gravitational moment; edm connection to anm
- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering, generalized parton distributions, angular momentum sum rules
- Exclusive weak decay amplitudes
- Single spin asymmetries
- Factorization theorems, DGLAP, BFKL, ERBL Evolution
- Quark interchange amplitude
- Relation of spin, momentum, and other distributions to physics of the hadron itself.



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Advantages of Light-Front Formalism

- *Hidden Color* Of Nuclear Wavefunction
- Color Transparency, Opaqueness
- Simple proof of Factorization theorems for hard processes (Lepage, sjb)
- Direct mapping to AdS/CFT (de Teramond, sjb)
- New Effective LF Equations (de Teramond, sjb)
- Light-Front Amplitude Generator



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Light-Front Wavefunctions

Dirac's Front Form: Fixed $\tau = t + z/c$

$$\begin{aligned} & \psi(x, k_{\perp}) \\ & \text{Invariant under boosts. Independent of } P^{\mu} \quad x_i = \frac{k_i^+}{P^+} \\ & H_{LF}^{QCD} |\psi > = M^2 |\psi > \end{aligned}$$

Remarkable new insights from AdS/CFT, the duality between conformal field theory and Anti-de Sitter Space



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A Unified Description of Hadron Structure





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Final State Interactions Produce T-Odd (Sivers Effect)

- Bjorken Scaling!
- Arises from Interference of Final-State Coulomb Phases in S and P waves
- Relate to the quark contribution to the target proton anomalous magnetic moment
- Sum of Sivers Functions for all quarks and gluons vanishes. (Zero gravitoanomalous magnetic moment) $\vec{S} \cdot \vec{p}_{jet} \times \vec{q}$

Hwang, Schmidt. sjb; Burkardt



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- Quarks Reinteract in Final State
- Analogous to Coulomb phases, but not unitary
- Observable effects: DDIS, SSI, shadowing, antishadowing
- Structure functions cannot be computed from LFWFs computed in isolation
- Wilson line not 1 even in lcg





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Prediction for Single-Spin Asymmetry



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Collins; Hwang, Schmidt. sjb



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Key QCD Experiment at GSI

Measure single-spin asymmetry A_N in Drell-Yan reactions

Leading-twist Bjorken-scaling A_N from S, P-wave initial-state gluonic interactions

Predict: $A_N(DY) = -A_N(DIS)$ Opposite in sign!

$$Q^2 = x_1 x_2 s$$

$$Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2, s = 80 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$x_1 x_2 = .05, x_F = x_1 - x_2$$

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$$p\overline{p}_{\uparrow} \to \ell^+ \ell^- X$$

 $\vec{S} \cdot \vec{q} \times \vec{p}$ correlation

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New Perspectives for QCD from AdS/CFT

- LFWFs: Fundamental description of hadrons at amplitude level
- Holographic Model from AdS/CFT : Confinement at large distances and conformal behavior at short distances
- Model for LFWFs, meson and baryon spectra: many applications!
- New basis for diagonalizing Light-Front Hamiltonian
- Physics similar to MIT bag model, but covariant. No problem with support 0 < x < 1.
- Quark Interchange dominant force at short distances



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MIT Bag Model predicts dominance of quark interchange:

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Why is quark-interchange dominant over gluon exchange?

Example:
$$M(K^+p \to K^+p) \propto \frac{1}{ut^2}$$

Exchange of common u quark

 $M_{QIM} = \int d^2 k_{\perp} dx \ \psi_C^{\dagger} \psi_D^{\dagger} \Delta \psi_A \psi_B$

Holographic model (Classical level):

Hadrons enter 5th dimension of AdS_5

Quarks travel freely within cavity as long as separation $z < z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$

LFWFs obey conformal symmetry producing quark counting rules.



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AdS/CFT explains why quark interchange is dominant interaction at high momentum transfer in exclusive reactions

Non-linear Regge behavior

 $\alpha_R(t) \rightarrow -1$

Key QCD Experiment at GSI

$$\overline{p}p \to K^+ K^- \xrightarrow{\overline{p}} ud$$

$$s \leftrightarrow t \ t \leftrightarrow u \ \text{crossing of } K^+ p \to K^+ p \quad ud$$

$$M(\overline{p}p \to K^+ K^-) \propto \frac{1}{ts^2} \xrightarrow{p} ud$$

$$rac{d\sigma}{dt} \propto rac{1}{s^6 t^2}$$

at large t, u

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Test of Quark Interchange Mechanism in QCD



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Comparison of Exclusive Reactions at Large t

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Cross sections or upper limits are reported for twelve meson-baryon and two baryon-baryon reactions for an incident momentum of 9.9 GeV/c, near 90° c.m.: $\pi^{\pm}p \rightarrow p\pi^{\pm}, p\rho^{\pm}, \pi^{+}\Delta^{\pm}, K^{+}\Sigma^{\pm}, (\Lambda^{0}/\Sigma^{0})K^{0};$ $K^{\pm}p \rightarrow pK^{\pm}; p^{\pm}p \rightarrow pp^{\pm}$. By studying the flavor dependence of the different reactions, we have been able to isolate the quark-interchange mechanism as dominant over gluon exchange and quark-antiquark annihilation.



B.R. Baller *et al.*. 1988. Published in Phys.Rev.Lett.60:1118 -1121,1988



Quark Interchange: Dominant Dynamics at large t, u

Relative Rates Correct

The cross section and upper limits (90% confidence level) measured by this experiment are indicated by the filled circles and arrowheads. Values from this experiment and from previous measurements represent an average over the angular region of $-0.05 < \cos\theta_{c.m.} < 0.10$. The other measurements were obtained from the following references: π^+p and K^+p elastic, Ref. 5; $\pi^-p \rightarrow p\pi^-$, Ref. 6; $pp \rightarrow pp$, Ref. 7: Allaby, open circle; Akerlof, cross. Values for the cross sections [(Reaction), cross section in nb/(GeV/c)²] are as follows: (1), 4.6 ± 0.3 ; (2), 1.7 ± 0.2 ; (3), 3.4 ± 1.4 ; (4), 0.9 ± 8.7 ; (5), 3.4 ± 0.7 ; (6), 1.3 ± 0.6 ; (7), 2.0 ± 0.6 ; (8), < 0.12; (9), < 0.1; (10), < 0.06; (11), < 0.05; (12), < 0.15; (13), 48 ± 5 ; (14), < 2.1.

Formula for quark interchange using LFWFs

Blankenbecler, Gunion, sjb; Sivers

$$\begin{split} M_{FI} &= \langle \psi_F | E - K | \psi_I \rangle \\ &\equiv \langle \psi_F | \Delta | \psi_I \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2(2\pi)^3} \int d^2k \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2(1-x)^2} \, \Delta \psi_C(\vec{\mathbf{k}}_\perp - x\vec{\mathbf{r}}_\perp, x) \psi_D(\vec{\mathbf{k}}_\perp + (1-x)\vec{\mathbf{q}}_\perp, x) \psi_A(\vec{\mathbf{k}}_\perp - x\vec{\mathbf{r}}_\perp + (1-x)\vec{\mathbf{q}}_\perp, x) \psi_B(\vec{\mathbf{k}}_\perp, x) \,, \end{split}$$

here

$$\begin{split} \Delta &= s - M_A{}^2 - M_B{}^2 - K_a - K_b - K_c - K_d \\ &= M_A{}^2 + M_B{}^2 - S_A(\vec{k}_\perp + (1 - x)\vec{q}_\perp - x\vec{r}_\perp, x) - S_B(\vec{k}_\perp, x) \\ &= M_C{}^2 + M_D{}^2 - S_C(\vec{k}_\perp - x\vec{r}_\perp, x) - S_D(\vec{k}_\perp + (1 - x)\vec{q}_\perp, x) \;. \end{split}$$

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 $(pp - pp) = C \frac{F_{p}^{2}(t)F_{p}^{2}(u)}{t^{2}}$ $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{1}{s^{10}} f(\theta_{\text{c.m.}}), \quad f(\theta_{\text{c.m.}}) \sim \left(\frac{1}{1 - \cos^2\theta}\right)^4$$

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The biggest failure of the interchange mechanism is in the spin correlation. For all angles we predict from Table I

$$A_{nn} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{1 - (\frac{3}{31})^2 \chi^2}{1 + \frac{1}{3} (\frac{3}{31})^2 \chi^2} , \qquad (3.11)$$

where

$$\chi = \frac{f(\theta) - f(\pi - \theta)}{f(\theta) + f(\pi - \theta)}.$$

Thus A_{nn} is predicted to be within 2% of $\frac{1}{3}$ even when $\chi = 1$ [$\chi = 0$ for the form in Eq. (3.6)]. The data clearly indicate that A_{nn} is not a constant near $\frac{1}{3}$.

Our expectation, then, is that there is an additional amplitude which strongly interferes with the quark-interchange contributions at Argonne energies; most plausibly, the quark-interchange contribution is dominant at asymptotic t and u, and the interfering amplitude is most important at low tand u. As we shall discuss below, the behavior of A_{11} and A_{ss} in the interference region can play an important role in sorting out the possible subasymptotic contributions.

These results for the quark-interchange model have also been obtained by Farrar, Gottlieb, Sivers, and Thomas,¹² who also consider the possibility that nonperturbative effects (quark-quark scattering via instantons) can explain the data.



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New Perspectives on QCD Phenomena from AdS/CFT

- AdS/CFT: Duality between string theory in Anti-de Sitter Space and Conformal Field Theory
- New Way to Implement Conformal Symmetry
- Holographic Model: Conformal Symmetry at Short Distances, Confinement at large distances
- Remarkable predictions for hadronic spectra, wavefunctions, interactions
- AdS/CFT provides novel insights into the quark structure of hadrons



Outlook

- Only one scale Λ_{QCD} determines hadronic spectrum (slightly different for mesons and baryons).
- Ratio of Nucleon to Delta trajectories determined by zeroes of Bessel functions.
- String modes dual to baryons extrapolate to three fermion fields at zero separation in the AdS boundary.
- Only dimension $3, \frac{9}{2}$ and 4 states $\overline{q}q$, qqq, and gg appear in the duality at the classical level!
- Non-zero orbital angular momentum and higher Fock-states require introduction of quantum fluctuations.
- Simple description of space and time-like structure of hadronic form factors.
- Dominance of quark-interchange in hard exclusive processes emerges naturally from the classical duality of the holographic model. Modified by gluonic quantum fluctuations.
- Covariant version of the bag model with confinement and conformal symmetry.



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Features of Holographic Model

- Use of holographic light-front wave functions to compute hadronic matrix elements and other observables.
- Dominance of quark-interchange in hard exclusive processes emerges naturally from the classical duality of the holographic model, modified by gluonic quantum fluctuations.
- Covariant version of the bag model with confinement and conformal symmetry.
- Precise mapping of string modes to partonic states. String modes inside AdS represent the probability amplitude for the distribution of quarks at a given scale.
- Exact holographic mapping for *n*-parton state determines effective QCD transverse charge density in terms of modes in AdS space.
- Holographic mapping allows deconstruction: express the eigenvalue problem in terms of 3+1 QCD degrees of freedom.



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Use the AdS/CFT orthonormal LFWFs as a basis to diagonalize the QCD LF Hamiltonian

- Good initial approximant
- Better than plane wave basis
- DLCQ discretization
- Use independent HO LFWFs, remove CM motion
- Similar to Shell Model calculations

Vary, Harinandrath, sjb



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Light-Front QCD Heisenberg Equation

 $H_{LC}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$



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Use AdS/QCD basis functions



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Pauli, Pinsky, sjb Stan Brodsky, SLAC Use AdS/QCD Basis functions to diagonalize the LF Hamiltonian

"...I will sum up by saying that light-front QCD is not for the faint of heart, but for a few good candidates it is a chance to be a leader in a much smaller community of researchers than one faces in the other areas of high-energy physics, with, I believe, unusual promise for interesting and unexpected results."

K.G. Wilson, "The Origins of Lattice Gauge Theory," Nuclear Physics B, Suppl., **140** (2005) p3



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## Conformal symmetry: Template for QCD

- Initial approximation to PQCD; then correct for non-zero beta function and quark masses
- Commensurate scale relations: relate observables at corresponding scales: Generalized Crewther Relation
- Arguments for Infrared fixed-point for  $\alpha_s$

Alhofer, et al.

- Effective Charges: analytic at quark mass thresholds, finite at small momenta
- Eigensolutions of Evolution Equation of distribution amplitudes



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## New Perspectives on QCD from AdS/CFT

- LFWFs: Fundamental description of hadrons at amplitude level
- QCD is Nearly Conformal
- Holographic Model from AdS/CFT : Confinement at large distances and conformal behavior at short distances
- Model for LFWFs, meson and baryon spectra
- Quark-interchange dominates scattering amplitudes



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#### AdS/CFT and QCD

Bottom-Up Approach

- Nonperturbative derivation of dimensional counting rules of hard exclusive glueball scattering for gauge theories with mass gap dual to string theories in warped space: Polchinski and Strassler, hep-th/0109174.
- Deep inelastic structure functions at small *x*: Polchinski and Strassler, hep-th/0209211.
- Derivation of power falloff of hadronic light-front Fock wave functions, including orbital angular momentum, matching short distance behavior with string modes at AdS boundary:
   Brodsky and de Téramond, hep-th/0310227. E. van Beveren et al.
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