

The distribution amplitude of the η_c -meson

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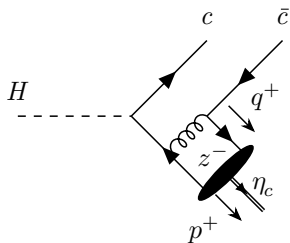
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Introduction

For example, consider the decay $H \rightarrow X\eta_c$



parton-parton **distance** z^-

$$z^\alpha z_\alpha = 0 \quad z^\alpha = (z^+, z^-, \bar{z})$$

loffe time $\nu \equiv pz = p^+ z^-$

quark **momentum fraction**

$$x = q^+ / p^+$$

The cross-section depends on the η_c DA, which is (using $A^+ = 0$)

$$\phi(x) = \int \frac{dz^-}{2\pi} e^{i(x-1/2)p^+z^-} \underbrace{\langle \eta_c(p) | \bar{c}(-z/2) \gamma^+ \gamma_5 c(z/2) | 0 \rangle}_{M^+(\nu, z^2=0)} \Big|_{z^+, \bar{z}=0}$$

Hadronization is non-perturbative and defined on the light-cone ($z^2 = 0$)

Short distance factorization

Problem

We can only compute $z^\alpha = (z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4) = (0, 0, 0, 0)$

Solution [3, 7, 10]

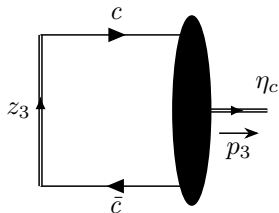
- Generalize $M^\alpha(\nu, z^2)$ for $z^2 > 0$ and take $z^2 \rightarrow 0$

$$M^\alpha(p, z^2) = e^{-i\nu/2} \left. \langle \eta_c(p) | \bar{c}(0) \gamma^\alpha \gamma^5 W(0, z) c(z) | 0 \rangle \right|_{\bar{z}=0, z^4=0}$$

- Do a Lorentz decomposition

$$M^\alpha(p, z^2) = 2p^\alpha \mathcal{M}(p, z^2) + z^\alpha \mathcal{M}'(p, z^2)$$

- Set $p^\alpha = (0, 0, p^3, E)$
 $z^\alpha = (0, 0, z^3, 0)$
- Choose $\alpha = 4$ to isolate $\mathcal{M}(p, z^2)$



Short distance factorization

Form the renormalized quantity (shifted to $[z/2, -z/2]$) [1, 6, 8]

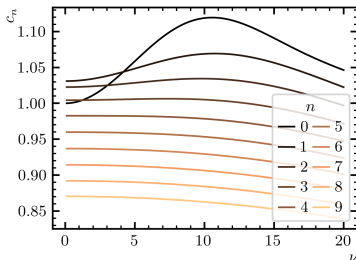
$$\frac{\mathcal{M}(p, z^2)\mathcal{M}(0, 0)}{\mathcal{M}(0, z^2)\mathcal{M}(p, 0)} = \tilde{\phi}(\nu, z) + h.t.$$

Match to the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ light-cone quantity at $\mu = 3 \text{ GeV}$ [10]

$$\tilde{\phi}(\nu, z) = \int_0^1 dw C(w, \nu, z\mu) \int_0^1 dx \cos[w\nu(x - 1/2)] \phi(x, \mu)$$

Take the limit $z^2 \rightarrow 0 +$ evolution and Wilson line logs

$$c_n := \int_0^1 dw C(w, \nu, z\mu) w^n$$



Parameterizing the DA

Expand the DA in a series of Gegenbauer polynomials [11]

$$\phi(x) = (1-x)^{\lambda-1/2} x^{\lambda-1/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d_{2n}^{(\lambda)} \tilde{G}_{2n}^{(\lambda)}(x)$$

The matching to the pseudo-DA in loffe time is [10]

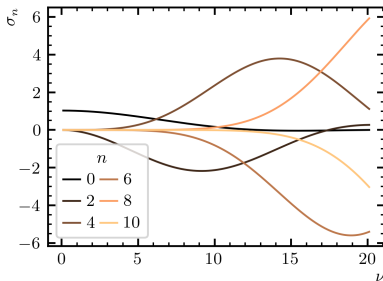
$$\tilde{\phi}(\nu, z) = \int_0^1 dw C(w, \nu, z) \int_0^1 dx \cos(w\nu x - w\nu/2) \phi(x)$$

It can be rewritten as

$$\tilde{\phi}(\nu, z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d_{2n}^{(\lambda)} \sigma_{2n}^{(\lambda)}(\nu, z),$$

$$d_0^{(\lambda)} = \frac{4^\lambda}{B\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \lambda\right)}$$

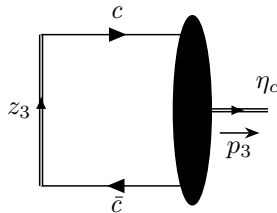
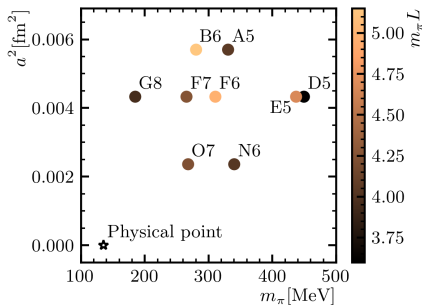
Energy scale $\mu = 3 \text{ GeV}$



The CLS lattice ensembles

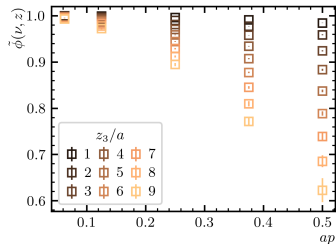
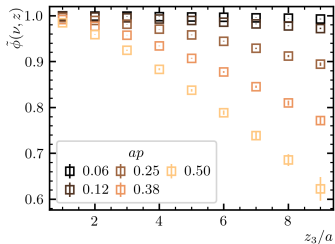
$N_f = 2$ Coordinated Lattice Simulations [2, 4]

- $\mathcal{O}(a)$ -improved Wilson quarks
- $\kappa_u = \kappa_d := \kappa_\ell$
- No electromagnetism
- Wilson gauge action
- No Symanzik program for $M^\alpha(p, z) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(a)$ lattice artifacts
- Between 1000 and 2000 measurements per ensemble

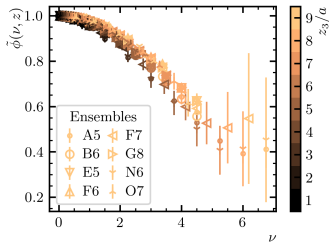


The lattice data

Ensemble G8



Entire dataset



Continuum extrapolation

Make all terms dimensionless with Λ_{QCD}

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\phi}_e(\nu, z) &= \tilde{\phi}(\nu, z) + z^2 C_1(\nu) + a B_1(\nu) + \frac{a}{|z|} A_1(\nu) \\ &\quad + \frac{a}{|z|} \left((m_{\eta_c} - m_{\eta_c, \text{phy}}) D_1(\nu) + (m_\pi^2 - m_{\pi, \text{phy}}^2) E_1(\nu) \right)\end{aligned}$$

The main ingredients are the

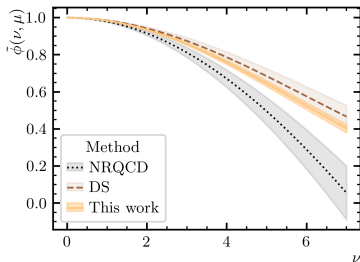
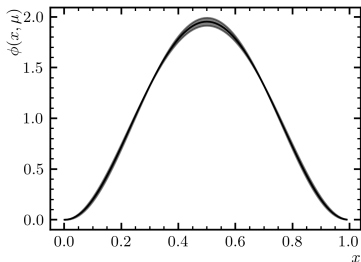
- continuum $\tilde{\phi}(\nu, z)$

$$\tilde{\phi}(\nu, z) = \frac{4^\lambda \sigma_0^{(\lambda)}(\nu, z)}{B\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \lambda\right)}$$

- higher-twist continuum C_1
- z-dependent A_1 , and global B_1 lattice artifacts
- mass-dependent corrections D_1 and E_1

Results on the light cone

We obtain $\lambda = 2.73 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.06$



We compare to alternative determinations [5, 9]

| | This work | Dyson-Schwinger | NRQCD |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------------|---------------|
| $\langle \xi^2 \rangle$ | 0.134(6) | 0.118(18) | 0.171(23) |
| $\langle \xi^4 \rangle$ | 0.043(4) | 0.036(9) | 0.018 808(19) |

where $\xi \equiv -1 + 2x$

Conclusions and outlook

We compute the η_c DA with $N_f = 2$ CLS ensembles and obtain

$$\phi(x) = \frac{4^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1/2} x^{\lambda-1/2}}{B(1/2, 1/2 + \lambda)}$$

defined at $\mu = 3 \text{ GeV}$ and

$$\lambda = 2.73 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.06$$

In this analysis, we have seen that

- The comparison with Dyson-Schwinger is good
- Analysis choices yield sizable systematic uncertainties
- Finite-size effects are negligible

In the future, we will tackle

- Missing sea-quarks with $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ ensembles

Complete set of CLS ensembles

| id | β | a [fm] | L/a | m_π [MeV] | κ_ℓ | κ_C |
|----|---------|--------------|-------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| A5 | 5.2 | 0.0755(9)(7) | 32 | 331 | 0.13594 | 0.12531 |
| B6 | | | 48 | 281 | 0.13597 | 0.12529 |
| D5 | 5.3 | 0.0658(7)(7) | 24 | 450 | 0.13625 | 0.12724 |
| E5 | | | 32 | 437 | 0.13625 | 0.12724 |
| F6 | | | 48 | 311 | 0.13635 | 0.12713 |
| F7 | | | 48 | 265 | 0.13638 | 0.12713 |
| G8 | | | 64 | 185 | 0.136417 | 0.12710 |
| N6 | | | 5.5 | 0.0486(4)(5) | 48 | 340 |
| O7 | 64 | 268 | | | 0.13671 | 0.13022 |

Objective: Compute the matching integrals

$$\tilde{\phi}(\nu, z) = \int_0^1 dw C(w, \nu, z\mu) \int_0^1 dx \cos [w\nu (x - 1/2)] \phi(x, \mu)$$

Definitions: The DA matching kernel is [10]

$$C(w, \nu, z\mu) = \delta(w - 1) - \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left[\log \left(\frac{\mu^2}{\mu_0^2} \right) B(w, \nu) + L(w, \nu) \right]$$

where the scale μ_0 contains the z^2 dependence

$$\frac{1}{\mu_0^2} \equiv \frac{z^2 e^{2\gamma_E+1}}{4}$$

we take $\mu = 3 \text{ GeV}$

The matching kernel

The contribution $B(w, \nu)$ is [10]

$$B(w, \nu) = \left[\frac{2w}{1-w} \right]_+ \cos \left(\frac{(1-w)\nu}{2} \right) + \frac{2}{\nu} \sin \left(\frac{(1-w)\nu}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \delta(w-1)$$

And the contribution $L(w, \nu)$ is [10]

$$L(w, \nu) = 4 \left[\frac{\log(1-w)}{1-w} \right]_+ \cos \left(\frac{(1-w)\nu}{2} \right) - 2 \left(\frac{2}{\nu} \sin \left(\frac{(1-w)\nu}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \delta(w-1) \right)$$

Given two functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ defined in a certain domain, **the plus prescription** is

$$\left[\frac{f(x)}{1-x} \right]_+ g(x) = \frac{f(x)}{1-x} (g(x) - g(1))$$

Method: Rewrite the relation between $\tilde{\phi}(\nu, z)$ and $\phi(x, \mu)$

$$\tilde{\phi}(\nu, z) = \int_0^1 dx K(x, \nu, z\mu)\phi(x, \mu)$$

write the kernel as a series of Gegenbauer polynomials

$$K(x, \nu, z\mu) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{2n}^{(\lambda)}(\nu, z\mu)}{A_{2n}^{(\lambda)}} \tilde{G}_{2n}^{(\lambda)}(x)$$

and every coefficient in the series is given by

$$\sigma_n^{(\lambda)}(\nu, z\mu) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{\nu^2}{4}\right)^k \frac{c_{2k}(\nu, z\mu)}{\Gamma(2k+1)} I(n, k, \lambda)$$

See [11] for a similar analysis of PDFs

The matching kernel

The λ -dependent function is the Mellin transform of the Gegenbauer polynomials

$$\begin{aligned} I(n, k, \lambda) &\equiv \int_{-1}^{+1} dg g^{2k} (1 - g^2)^{\lambda-1/2} G_n^{(\lambda)}(g) \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{4^{\lambda+k} n!} \frac{\Gamma(1 + 2k)\Gamma(n + 2\lambda)}{\Gamma(\lambda)\Gamma(\lambda + \frac{n+2k+2}{2})\Gamma(1 + k - \frac{n}{2})} \end{aligned}$$

The n -th moment of the kernel is given by

$$\begin{aligned} c_n(\nu, z\mu) &= \int_0^1 dw C(w, \nu, z\mu) w^n \\ &= 1 - \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left[\log \left(\frac{\mu^2}{\mu_0^2} \right) b_n(\nu) + I_n(\nu) \right] \end{aligned}$$

The matching kernel

$$I(0, k, \lambda) = B\left(\lambda + \frac{1}{2}, k + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$I(2, k, \lambda) = 2\lambda k B\left(\lambda + \frac{3}{2}, k + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$I(4, k, \lambda) = \frac{2}{3}(\lambda + 1)\lambda k(k - 1)B\left(\lambda + \frac{5}{2}, k + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$I(6, k, \lambda) = \frac{4}{45}(2 + \lambda)(1 + \lambda)\lambda k(k - 1)(k - 2)B\left(\lambda + \frac{7}{2}, k + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$I(8, k, \lambda) = \frac{2}{315}(3 + \lambda)(2 + \lambda)(1 + \lambda)\lambda k(k - 1)(k - 2)(k - 3) \\ B\left(\lambda + \frac{9}{2}, k + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

The moments of $B(w)$ are given by

$$\begin{aligned} b_n(\nu) = & - \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \frac{2}{j+2} {}_1F_2 \left(1, \frac{j+3}{2}, \frac{j+4}{2}, -\frac{\nu^2}{16} \right) \\ & - \frac{\nu^2}{24} {}_2F_3 \left(1, 1, 2, 2, 5/2, -\frac{\nu^2}{16} \right) \\ & - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{(n+2)(n+1)} {}_1F_2 \left(1, \frac{n+3}{2}, \frac{n+4}{2}, -\frac{\nu^2}{16} \right) \end{aligned}$$

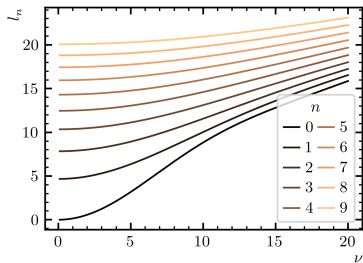
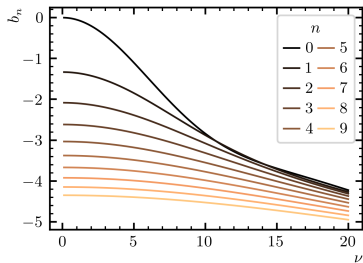
Note all hypergeometric functions ${}_pF_q$ have $p \leq q \leftrightarrow$ Converge for all ν values [12]

The moments of $L(w)$ are given by

$$\begin{aligned}l_n(\nu) = & 4 \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \binom{n}{j+1} \frac{(-1)^j}{(j+1)^2} {}_2F_3 \left(\frac{j+1}{2}, \frac{j+1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{j+3}{2}, \frac{j+3}{2}, -\frac{\nu^2}{16} \right) \\ & + \frac{\nu^2}{8} {}_3F_4 \left(1, 1, 1, \frac{3}{2}, 2, 2, 2, -\frac{\nu^2}{16} \right) \\ & + 1 - \frac{2}{(n+2)(n+1)} {}_1F_2 \left(1, \frac{n+3}{2}, \frac{n+4}{2}, -\frac{\nu^2}{16} \right)\end{aligned}$$

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The matching kernel



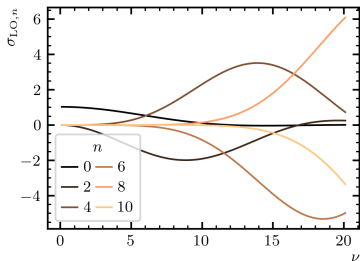
Nuisance functions

The nuisance functions are parametrized just like $\phi(x, \mu)$

$$A_r^{(\lambda)}(x) = (1-x)^{\lambda-1/2} x^{\lambda-1/2} \sum_{s=0}^{S_{a,r}} a_{r,2s}^{(\lambda)} \tilde{G}_{2s}^{(\lambda)}(x)$$

Fourier transform to ν space,

$$A_r^{(\lambda)}(\nu) = \int_0^1 dx A_r^{(\lambda)}(x) \cos(x\nu - \nu/2) = \sum_{s=0}^{S_{A,r}} a_{r,2s}^{(\lambda)} \sigma_{\text{LO},2s}^{(\lambda)}(\nu)$$



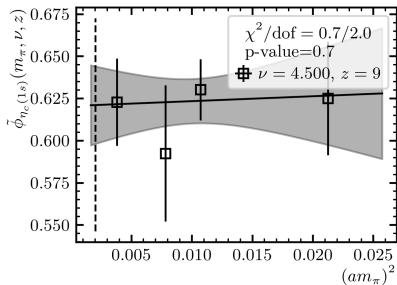
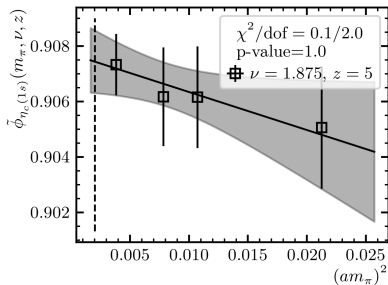
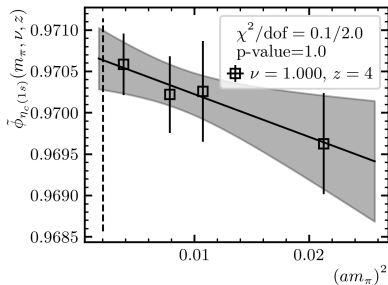
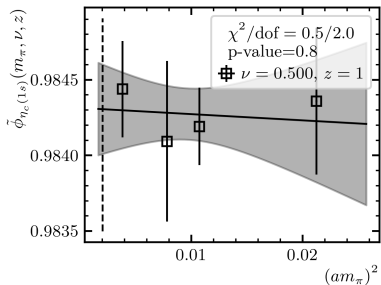
Nuisance effects vanish at $\nu = 0$

$$a_{r,0}^{(\lambda)} = 0 \iff \tilde{\phi}(\nu = 0, z) = 1$$

Enough to consider $S_{A_r} = 1$

$a_{1,2}, b_{1,2}, c_{1,2}, d_{1,2}, e_{1,2}$

Pion mass dependence



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