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Chiral-even twist-3 GPDs for the proton

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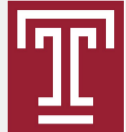
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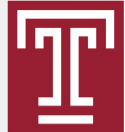
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Twist classification

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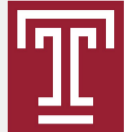
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- All types of distribution functions can be expanded in terms of their twist (dimension minus spin), which is also the order that they enter into QCD factorization formulas

$$f_i = f_i^{(0)} + \frac{f_i^{(1)}}{Q_o} + \frac{f_i^{(2)}}{Q_o^2} + \dots$$

- twist-2 contribution: $\mathcal{O}(Q_o^0)$ (e.g., unpolarized and helicity)
- twist-3 contribution: $\mathcal{O}(Q_o^{-1})$
- Q_0 is the large energy scale of the process.



Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs)

- Necessary for studying the three dimensional structure of the hadrons.
- Provide extensive information on the hadron properties (e.g., spin and mass decomposition, orbital angular momentum).
- Their Mellin moments (e.g., electromagnetic and axial form factors) have physical interpretation and are extracted experimentally.
- Experimentally accessed through exclusive processes.
- GPD extraction poses several challenges with limited information available compared to PDFs.

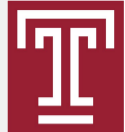
The above motivate dedicated calculations of GPDs from lattice QCD

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Twist-3 distributions

$$f_i = f_i^{(0)} + \frac{f_i^{(1)}}{Q_o} + \frac{f_i^{(2)}}{Q_o^2} + \dots$$

- Twist-3 contributions in the cross section may be sizeable.
- Lack density interpretation; but have physical interpretation ($g_T: F_{\perp}$)
- Twist-3 GPDs relevant for spin-orbit correlations. [[Lorce, PLB\(2014\), arXiv:1401.7784](#)]
- Contain information on multi-parton correlators (q-g-q).
- Knowledge of twist-3 GPDs is necessary to reliably disentangle twist-2 GPDs.
- PDFs: twist-2 case has been extensively studied [[K. Cichy, PoS LATTICE2021 \(2022\) 017, arXiv: 2110.07440](#)]; little is known about twist-3. [[S. Bhattacharya et al., PRD 104 \(2021\) 11, 114510; PRD 102 \(2020\) 11, 111501](#)]
- GPDs: limited information on twist-2; almost nothing available for twist-3.

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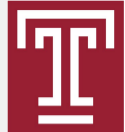
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Quasi-PDF method (LaMET)

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- Boosted hadrons with nonlocal operators
- Extraction of matrix elements from two and three point function
- Nonperturbative renormalization in RI' scheme
- Reconstruct x -dependence using the Backus-Gilbert method
- Matching with only 2-parton correlators
[S. Bhattacharya et al., PRD 102 \(2020\) 11, arXiv:2004.04130](#)
- Matching for qqq -correlation has been discussed
[\[V. Braun et al., JHEP 05 \(2021\) 086; JHEP 10 \(2021\) 087 \]](#)



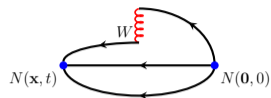
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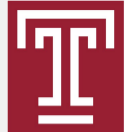
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Matrix elements calculated in symmetric frame:

$$h_{\mathcal{O}}(\Gamma_{\kappa}, z, P_f, P_i, \mu) = Z_{\mathcal{O}}(z, \mu) \langle N(P + \frac{Q}{2}) | \bar{\psi}(z) \mathcal{O} \mathcal{W}(z, 0) \psi(0) | N(P - \frac{Q}{2}) \rangle$$

- The indices of \mathcal{O} are transverse to the boost (for twist-3):
 γ^j (vector) and $\gamma^5 \gamma^j$ (axial), $j = 1, 2$.
- $\mathbf{P} = (0, 0, P_3)$ is the proton momentum boost.
- Wilson line in the same direction as the momentum boost.
- Γ_{κ} is the parity projector with $\kappa = 0, 1, 2, 3$ (**to disentangle GPDs**)
- $\Gamma_0 = \frac{1+\gamma_0}{2}$ and $\Gamma_j = \frac{1}{4}(1 + \gamma^0) i \gamma^5 \gamma^j$.



F_X Function Disentanglement

- For matrix element parameterization we use Kiptily and Polyakov
[Kiptily et al., Eur. Phys. J. C(2002), arXiv:0212372]

$$h_{\gamma j} = \langle\langle \frac{g_{\perp}^{j\rho} \Delta_{\rho}}{2m} \rangle\rangle [F_E + F_{G_1}] + \langle\langle g_{\perp}^{j\rho} \gamma_{\rho} \rangle\rangle [F_H + F_{G_2}] + \langle\langle \frac{g_{\perp}^{j\rho} \Delta_{\rho} \gamma^{+}}{P^{+}} \rangle\rangle F_{G_3} + \langle\langle \frac{i e_{\perp}^{j\rho} \Delta_{\rho} \gamma^{+} \gamma_5}{P^{+}} \rangle\rangle F_{G_4}$$

$$h_{\gamma j \gamma_5} = \langle\langle \frac{g_{\perp}^{j\rho} \Delta_{\rho} \gamma_5}{2m} \rangle\rangle [F_{\tilde{E}} + F_{\tilde{G}_1}] + \langle\langle g_{\perp}^{j\rho} \gamma_{\rho} \gamma_5 \rangle\rangle [F_{\tilde{H}} + F_{\tilde{G}_2}] + \langle\langle \frac{g_{\perp}^{j\rho} \Delta_{\rho} \gamma^{+} \gamma_5}{P^{+}} \rangle\rangle F_{\tilde{G}_3} + \langle\langle \frac{i e_{\perp}^{j\rho} \Delta_{\rho} \gamma^{+}}{P^{+}} \rangle\rangle F_{\tilde{G}_4}$$

$\tilde{H}, \tilde{E}, H, E$: twist-2, \tilde{G}_i, G_i : twist-3

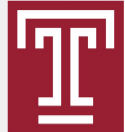
- Matrix elements lead to independent equations depending on the index of the operator and parity projector.

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Computational Challenges

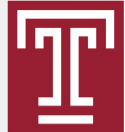
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- Due to the momentum transfer, there are increased statistical uncertainties compared to the PDFs case.
- Values of momentum transfer controlled by the spatial extent of the lattice ($\frac{2\pi}{L}$)
- Increased statistical uncertainties in the twist-3 contributions compared to twist-2 case
- Mixing from the qgq-correlators.
- There is a need for as many independent matrix elements as there are GPDs, so that we can disentangle them



Axial Case

$$\Pi^1(\Gamma_0) = C \left(-F_{\tilde{G}_4} \frac{Q_y(E+m)}{2m^2} - [F_{\tilde{H}} + F_{\tilde{G}_2}] \frac{P_3 Q_y}{4m^2} \right),$$

$$\Pi^1(\Gamma^1) = iC \left(-[F_{\tilde{E}} + F_{\tilde{G}_1}] \frac{Q_x^2(E+m)}{8m^3} + [F_{\tilde{H}} + F_{\tilde{G}_2}] \frac{(4m(E+m) + Q_y^2)}{8m^2} + F_{\tilde{G}_4} \frac{Q_y^2(E+m)}{4m^2 P_3} \right)$$

$$\Pi^1(\Gamma^2) = iC \left(-[F_{\tilde{E}} + F_{\tilde{G}_1}] \frac{Q_x Q_y(E+m)}{8m^3} - F_{\tilde{G}_4} \frac{Q_x Q_y(E+m)}{4m^2 P_3} - [F_{\tilde{H}} + F_{\tilde{G}_2}] \frac{Q_x Q_y}{8m^2} \right),$$

$$\Pi^1(\Gamma^3) = iC \left(F_{\tilde{G}_3} \frac{E Q_x(E+m)}{2m^2 P_3} \right),$$

$$\Pi^2(\Gamma_0) = C \left(F_{\tilde{G}_4} \frac{Q_x(E+m)}{2m^2} + [F_{\tilde{H}} + F_{\tilde{G}_2}] \frac{P_3 Q_x}{4m^2} \right),$$

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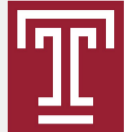
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Parameters of Calculation

- $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ ensemble of maximally **twisted mass fermions**.
- pion mass $M_\pi = 260$ MeV,
- Lattice spacing $a \simeq 0.093$ fm and volume $V = 32^3 \times 64$.
- The nucleon boost is nonzero along the z -direction, $\vec{P} = (0, 0, \pm P_3)$.
- The source-sink time separation is chosen as $t_s = 10a$ (0.93 fm), due to the increased uncertainties
- Results available for $\xi = 0$

| P_3 [GeV] | q [$\frac{2\pi}{L}$] | $-t$ [GeV ²] | N_{confs} | N_{src} | N_{total} |
|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| ± 0.83 | $(\pm 2, 0, 0), (0, \pm 2, 0)$ | 0.69 | 67 | 8 | 4288 |
| ± 1.25 | $(\pm 2, 0, 0), (0, \pm 2, 0)$ | 0.69 | 249 | 8 | 15936 |
| ± 1.25 | $(\pm 2, \pm 2, 0)$ | 1.39 | 223 | 8 | 28544 |
| ± 1.67 | $(\pm 2, 0, 0), (0, \pm 2, 0)$ | 0.69 | 294 | 32 | 75264 |
| ± 1.25 | $(\pm 4, 0, 0), (0, \pm 4, 0)$ | 2.76 | 329 | 8 | 84224 |

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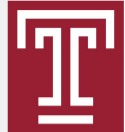
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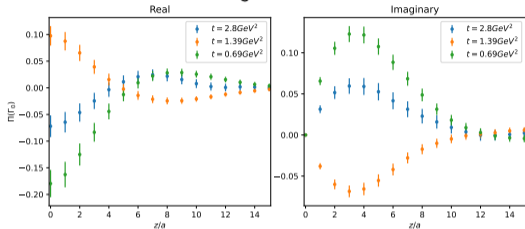
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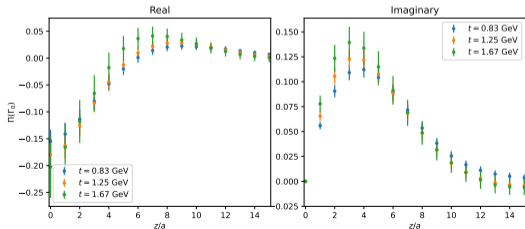


Matrix Elements

- matrix elements at $P_3 = 1.25$ GeV for various t .



- matrix elements at $t = 0.69$ GeV² for various P_3 .



- We find a good signal, and we observe an hierarchy between the different matrix elements with respect to changes in t .
- $\Pi(\Gamma_0)$ at $t = -0.69$ GeV² is dominant in magnitude.
- P_3 dependence mild and within uncertainties.

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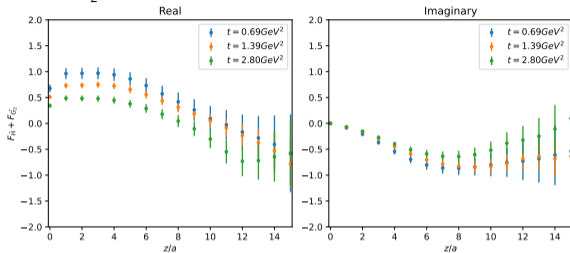
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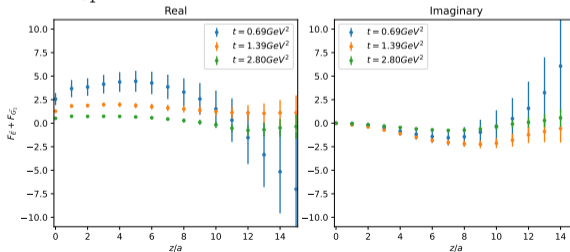


F_X Functions

- $F_{\tilde{H}} + F_{\tilde{G}_2}$ at $P_3 = 1.25\text{GeV}^2$ for various t .



- $F_{\tilde{E}} + F_{\tilde{G}_1}$ at $P_3 = 1.25\text{GeV}^2$ for various t .



Decomposed functions F_X ,
 $X = \tilde{H} + \tilde{G}_2, \tilde{E} + \tilde{G}_1, \tilde{G}_3, \tilde{G}_4$

- F_X decreases with increase of t (standard behavior)
- $F_{\tilde{E}} + F_{\tilde{G}_1}$ has the largest magnitude (expected from axial and induced pseudoscalar form factors).

Not shown:

- $F_{\tilde{G}_3}$ is found to be consistent with zero, due to the fact $\int dx x \tilde{G}_3 = \frac{\xi}{4} G_E(t)$
- $F_{\tilde{G}_4}$ is noisy and very small: $\int dx \tilde{G}_i = 0$ ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$), could possibly be the reason.

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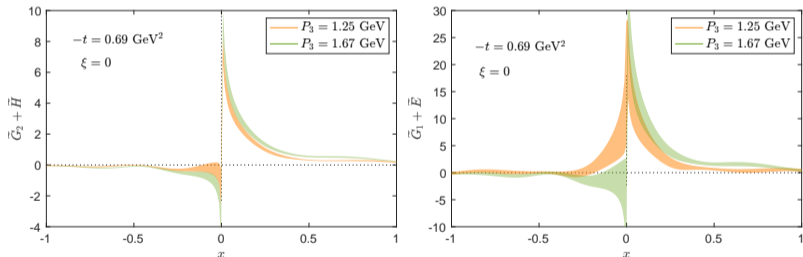


GPDs: Momentum Boost Dependence

- Reconstruction of x dependence not unique (Naive FT, Backus-Gilbert Method, etc.).

We use Backus-Gilbert [Backus and Gilbert, Geophysical Journal International, 1968](#)

- After x -dependence reconstruction and matching.



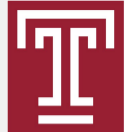
- We find mild P_3 dependence with a marginal agreement in the small- x region.

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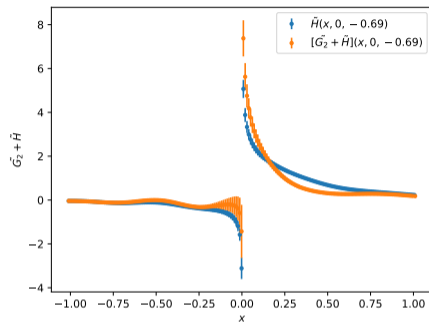
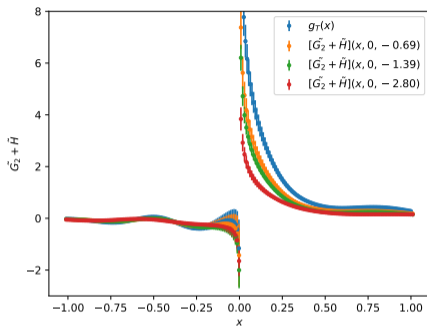
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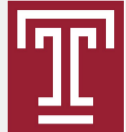
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- $\tilde{H} + \tilde{G}_2$ compared with the forward limit, g_T [Bhattacharya et al., PRD (2020)]
- $g_T(x)$ is the dominant distribution in magnitude
- Noticeable dependence on t for both $\tilde{H} + \tilde{G}_2$.
- For $t = -0.69, 1.39 \text{ GeV}^2$ $\tilde{H} + \tilde{G}_2$ approach zero at $x \sim 0.4$;
for $t = -2.8 \text{ GeV}^2$ decay is faster
- Right: difference between $\tilde{H} + \tilde{G}_2$ and \tilde{H} gives an estimate for \tilde{G}_2



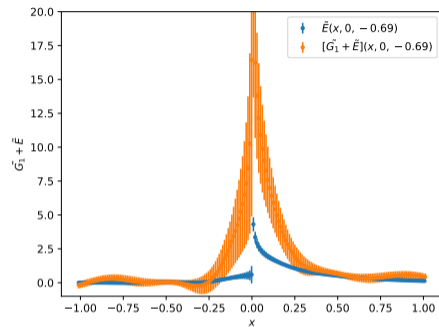
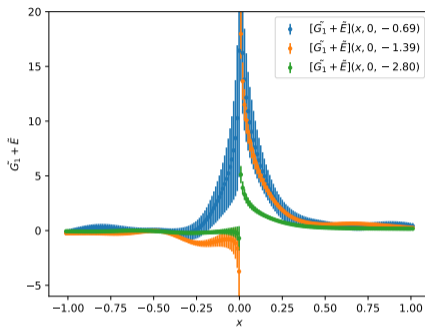
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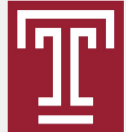
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- Similar hierarchy with respect to t with a tendency for $t = -0.69$ GeV² to be the largest (compatible with $t = -1.39$ GeV² within uncertainties).
- $\tilde{G}_1 + \tilde{E}$ at $t = -2.8$ GeV² very suppressed
- Right: \tilde{E} is much smaller than $\tilde{G}_1 + \tilde{E}$, indicating large \tilde{G}_1 (unlike \tilde{G}_2).



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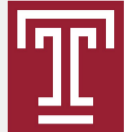
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Conclusions:

- There is a reasonable path to access twist-3 GPDs from lattice.
- Good signal for twist-3 GPDs.

Future work

- Extend calculation to nonzero skewness (matching must be calculated)
- Address systematic effect (e.g., discretization effects, volume effects).
- Explore difference renormalization schemes (Hybrid, Improved RI) [[X. Ji et al., 964 \(2021\) 115311](#)][[M. Constantinou et al., arXiv:2207.09977](#)]
- Complete analysis for the vector twist-3 GPD
- Study of chiral-odd twist-3 GPDs.
- Include matching with quark-gluon-quark mixing [[Braun et al., arXiv:2103.12105](#)]
- Study twist-3 GPDs in alternative frames [[See Shohini's talk](#)]

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