

Basis Light-front Quantization Approach to Λ_b and Σ_b Baryons

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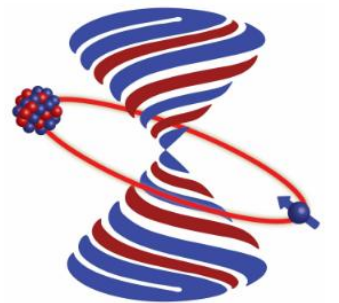
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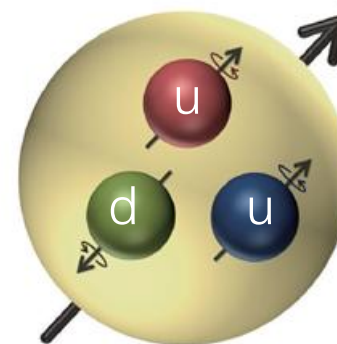


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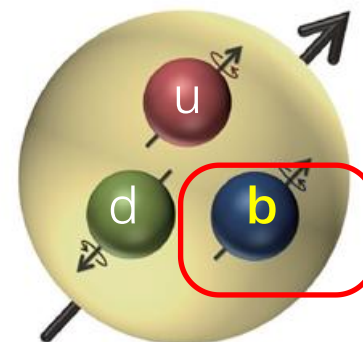
- Why do we care about Λ_b ?
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- Conclusion and prospect

Why do we care about Λ_b ?

- Larger mass and shorter life compared to proton
- Difficult to measure the bound state in experiment
- Various decay processes are documented (hadronic decay, semileptonic decay...)



proton (0.938 GeV)



Λ_b (5.619 GeV)

Light cone distribution amplitudes
[K. Huang et al. EPJC 83:272 \(2023\)](#)

Light-front wave functions

Transition form factors

Basis Light-front Quantization

We adopt an effective light-front Hamiltonian and solve the matrix:

$$H_{\text{eff}} |\Psi\rangle = M^2 |\Psi\rangle$$

The effective Hamiltonian is made of several constituents:

$$H_{\text{eff}} = H_{\text{k.e.}} + H_{\text{trans}} + H_{\text{longi}} + H_{\text{int}}$$

The baryon state can be expanded in the Fock space:

$$|B\rangle = \boxed{\psi_{(3q)} |qqq\rangle} + \psi_{(3q+g)} |qqqg\rangle + \psi_{(3q+q\bar{q})} |qqqq\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$

valence quark

Basis Light-front Quantization

In longitudinal direction we choose plane wave basis:

$$k_i^+ = \frac{2\pi k_i}{L} \quad x_i = k_i / K_{\text{tot}}$$

In transverse direction we choose 2-D harmonic oscillator basis:

$$\phi_{nm}(\vec{k}_\perp) = \frac{1}{b} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi n!}{(n + |m|)!}} \left(\frac{|\vec{k}_\perp|}{b}\right)^{|m|} \sum_{i=1}^3 2n_i + |m_i| + 1 \leq N_{\text{max}}$$
$$\times e^{-\frac{1}{2}\vec{k}_\perp^2/b^2} L_n^{|m|} \left(\frac{\vec{k}_\perp^2}{b^2}\right) e^{im\theta},$$

truncation parameters

Total angular momentum projection: $\sum_{i=1}^3 (\lambda_i + m_i) = \Lambda$

Basis Light-front Quantization

Table I: Basis truncation parameters and model parameters

N_{\max}	K_{tot}	α_s	$\kappa(\text{GeV})$	$m_{l/k}(\text{GeV})$	$m_{l/g}(\text{GeV})$	$m_{b/k}(\text{GeV})$	$m_{b/g}(\text{GeV})$
10	32	0.57 ± 0.06	0.337	0.30	0.20	5.05	4.95

T. Peng et al. PRD 106, 114040 (2022)

Table II: Mass spectra

Baryons	$M_{\text{BLFQ}}(\text{MeV})$	$M_{\text{exp}}(\text{GeV})$	
Λ_b	5624 ± 2	5619.60 ± 0.17	ground state
Σ_b	5636 ± 2	5810.56 ± 0.25 (Σ_b^+) 5815.64 ± 0.27 (Σ_b^-) ...(Σ_b^0)	first excited state

PDG: $\Lambda_b^0 = udb$, $\Sigma_b^0 = udb$, $\Sigma_b^+ = uub$, $\Sigma_b^- = ddb$

Numerical results to support the solved LFWFs

➤ Flavor electromagnetic FFs

$$\langle P + q, \uparrow | \frac{J^+(0)}{2P^+} | P, \uparrow \rangle = F_1(Q^2),$$

$$\langle P + q, \uparrow | \frac{J^+(0)}{2P^+} | P, \downarrow \rangle = -\frac{(q_1 - iq_2)}{2M} F_2(Q^2).$$

➤ Baryon electromagnetic FFs

$$F_{1(2)}^B(Q^2) = \sum_q e_q F_{1(2)}^q(Q^2)$$

$$G_E^B(Q^2) = F_1^B(Q^2) - \frac{Q^2}{4M^2} F_2^B(Q^2),$$

$$G_M^B(Q^2) = F_1^B(Q^2) + F_2^B(Q^2).$$

➤ Parton Distribution Functions

$$\Phi^{\Gamma(q)}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dz^-}{4\pi} e^{ip^+ z^- / 2}$$

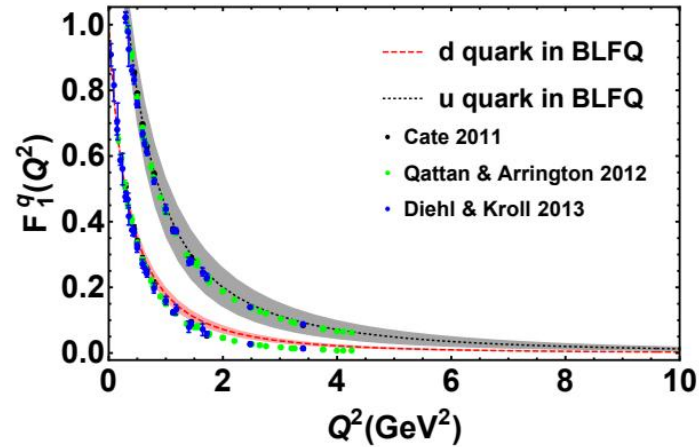
$$\times \langle P, \Lambda | \bar{\psi}_q(0) \Gamma \psi_q(z^-) | P, \Lambda \rangle \Big|_{z^+ = \vec{z}_\perp = 0}$$

With Γ being γ^+ , $\gamma^+ \gamma^5$, $i\sigma^{j+} \gamma^5$,
one can have different PDFs.

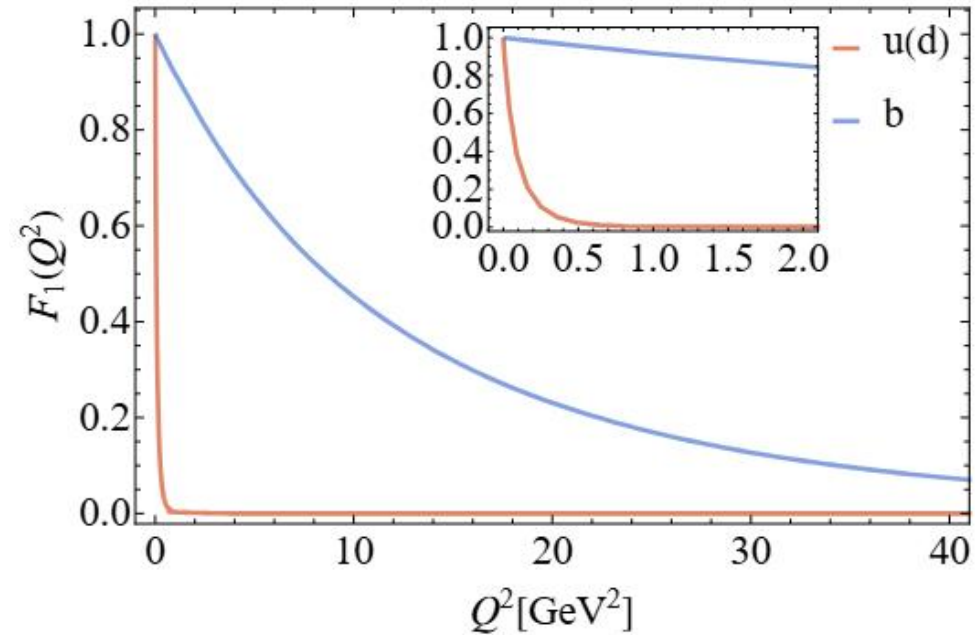
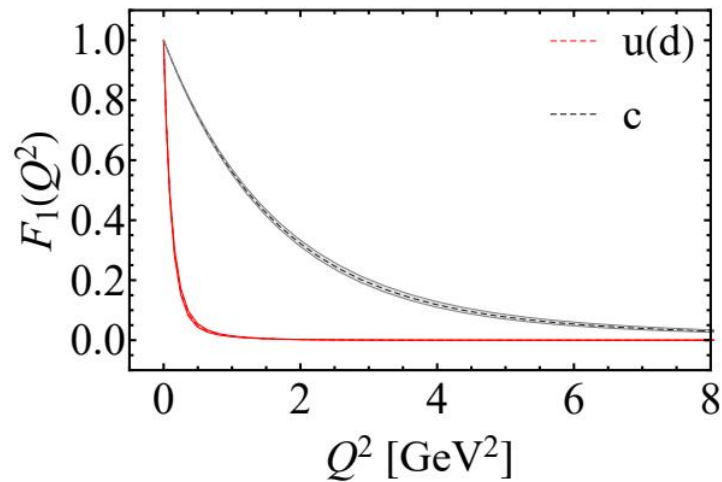
- Proton results: [S. Xu et al. PRD 104, 094036 \(2021\)](#)
- Λ and Λ_c results: [T. Peng et al. PRD 106, 114040 \(2022\)](#)

Flavor Dirac form factors

proton
(uud)



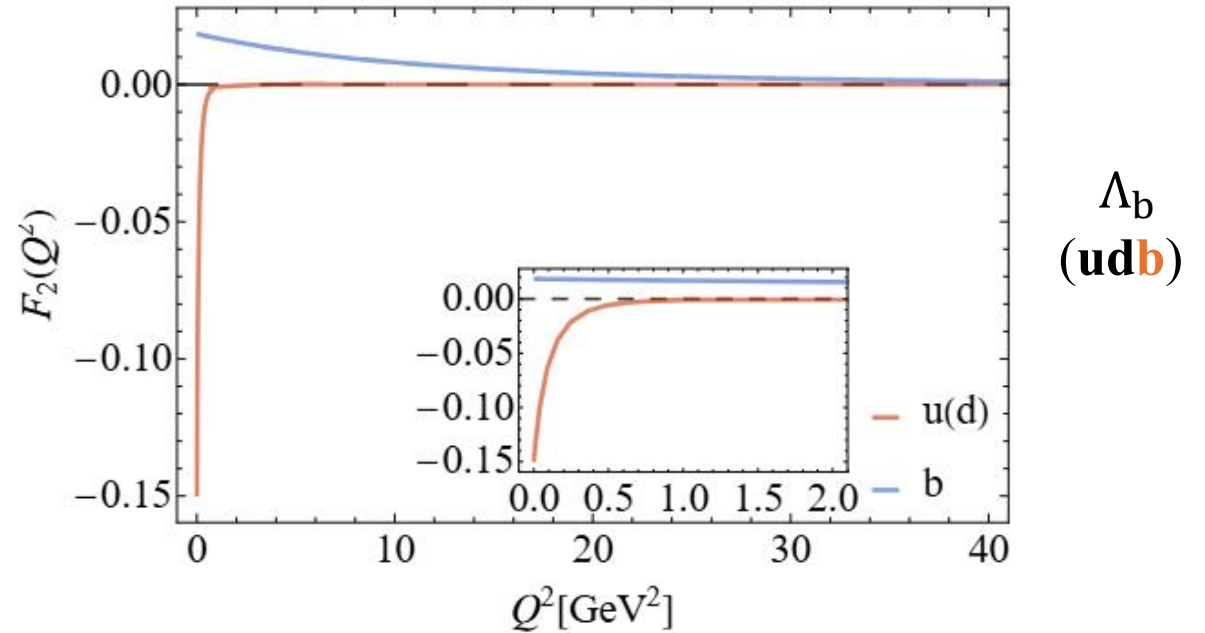
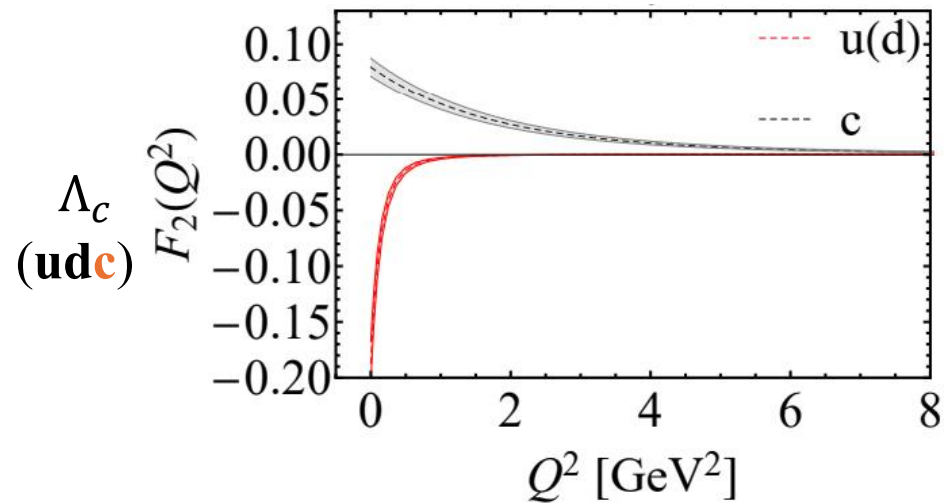
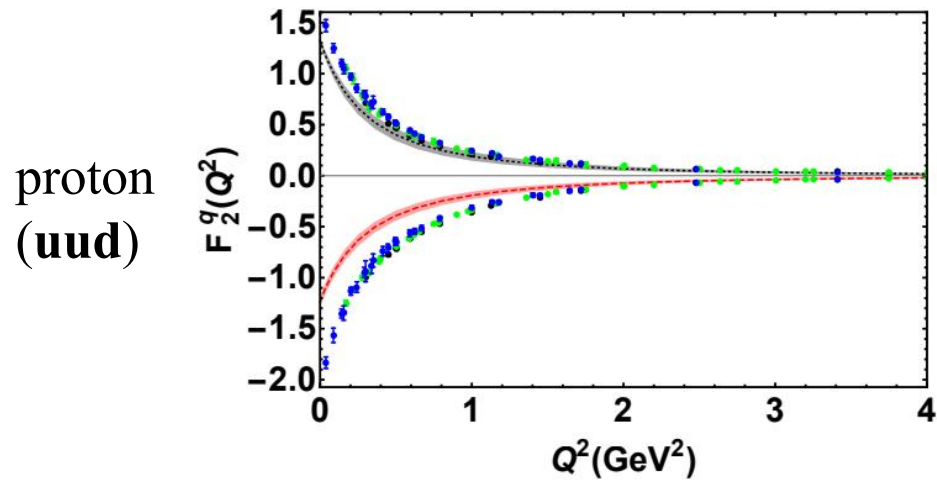
Λ_c
(udc)



Λ_b
(ud**b**)

- Heavier quark contributes more to Dirac FFs.
- Heavy quark distribution increases when the mass increases.

Flavor Pauli form factors



- Light quarks almost dominate in small Q^2 region.
- Along with the increase of Q^2 , contributions from light quarks drop rapidly and being lower than that from heavy quark.

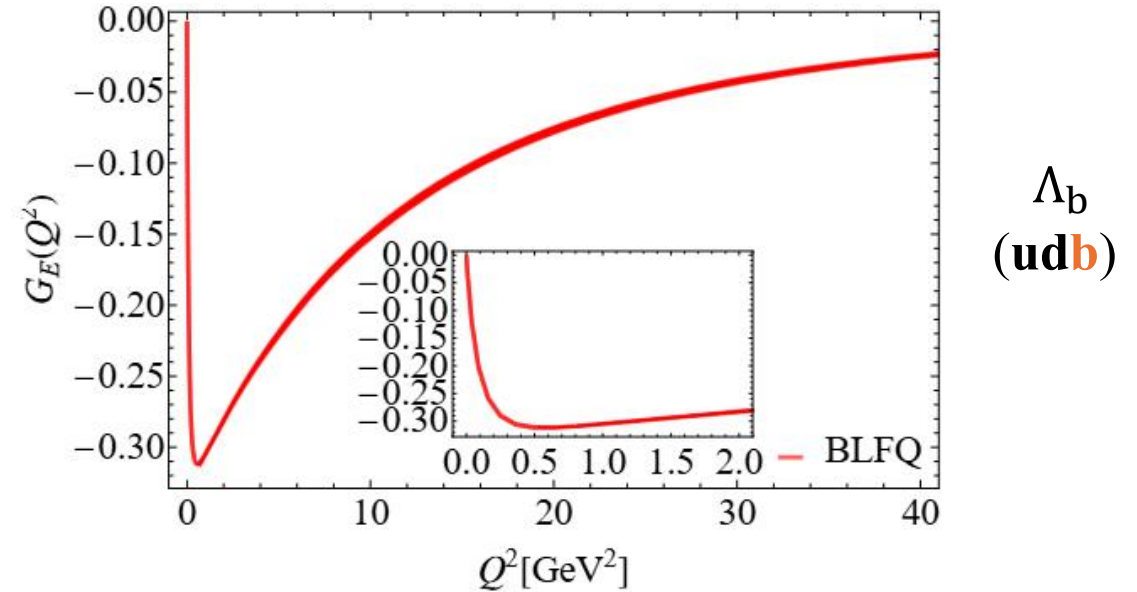
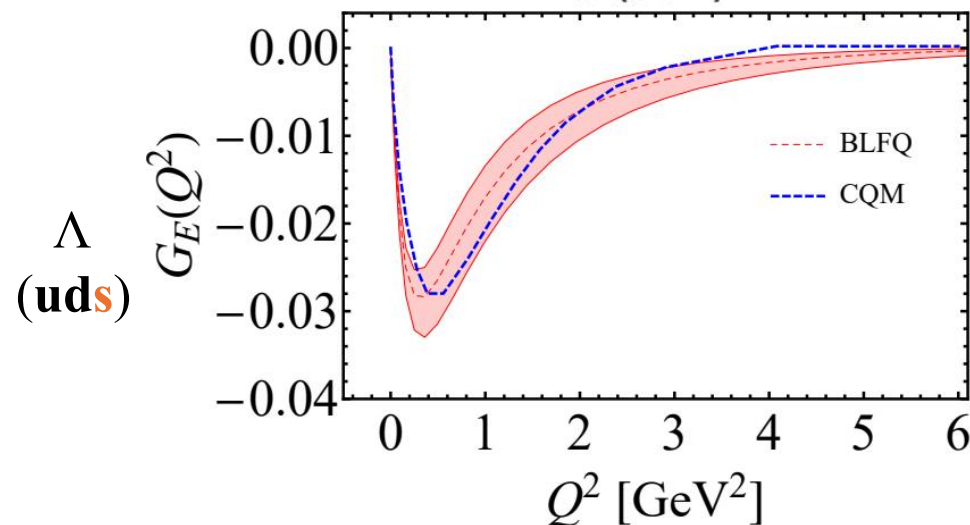
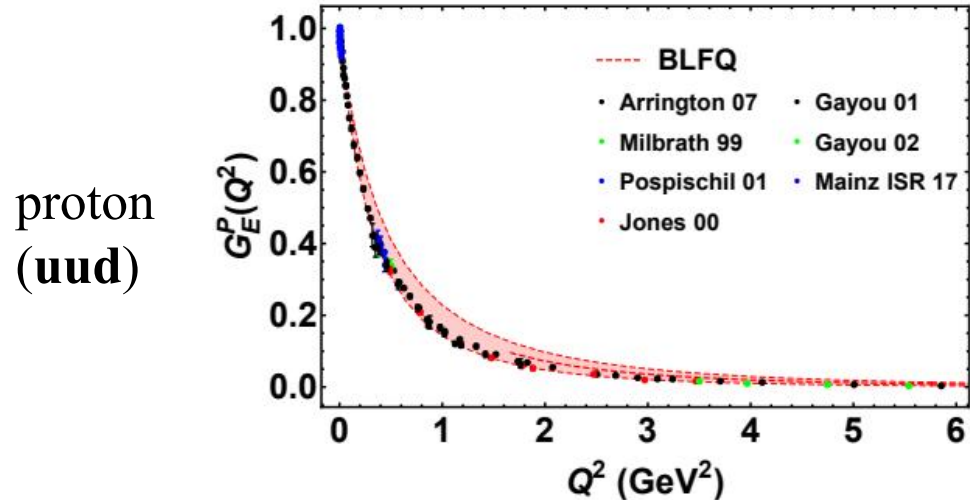
Baryon electromagnetic form factors

$$e_u = \frac{2}{3}, \quad e_d = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$e_s = \frac{2}{3}, \quad e_c = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$e_b = -\frac{1}{3}$$

➤ Sach's electric FFs G_E G_E and G_M are influenced by the constituent charges, so we choose Λ (uds) to compare with.



- Heavier quark mass brings a rapider peak at small Q^2 region and slower going back to near zero with Q^2 increases.

Baryon electromagnetic form factors

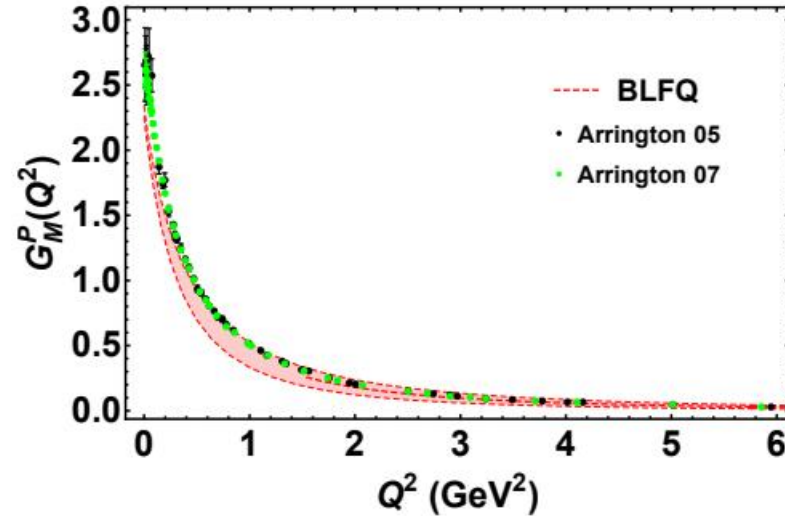
➤ Sach's magnetic FFs G_M

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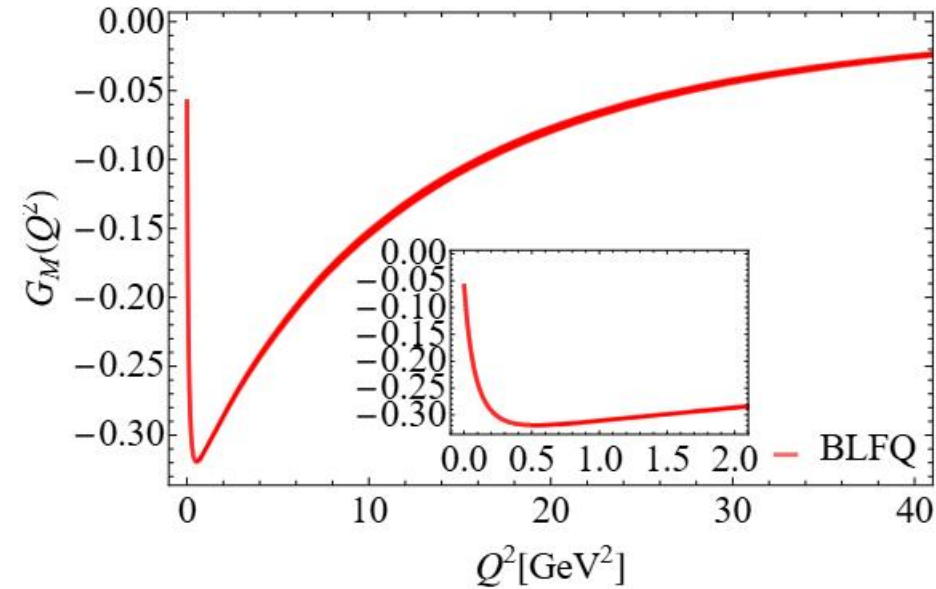
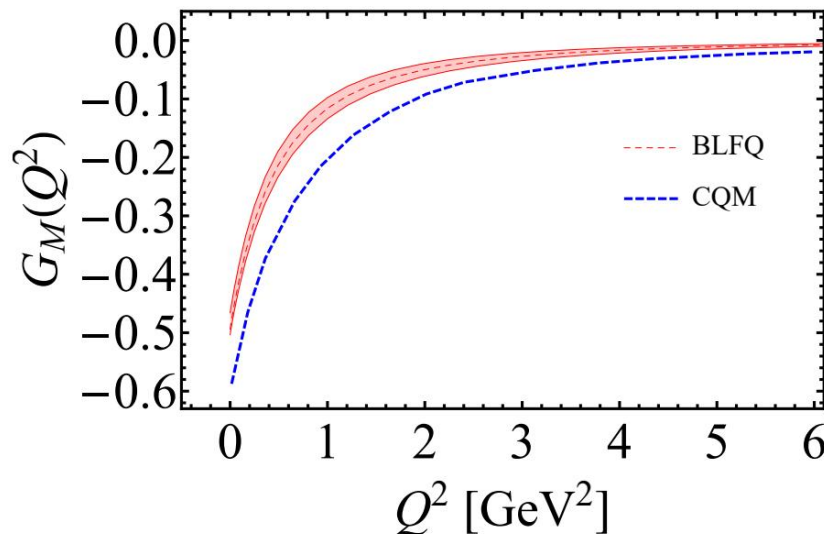
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proton
(uud)

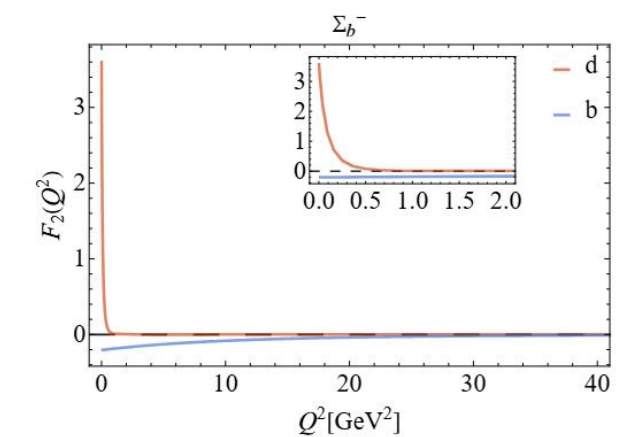
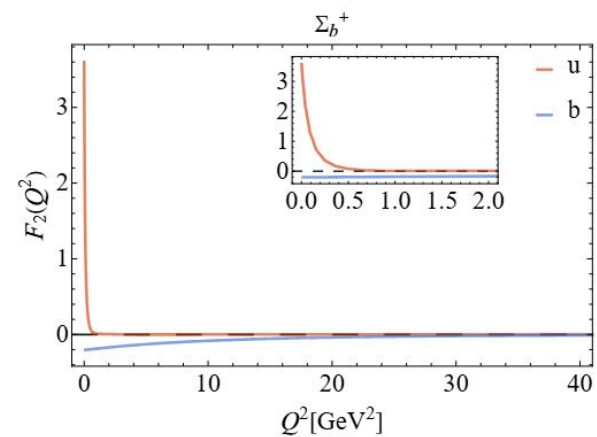
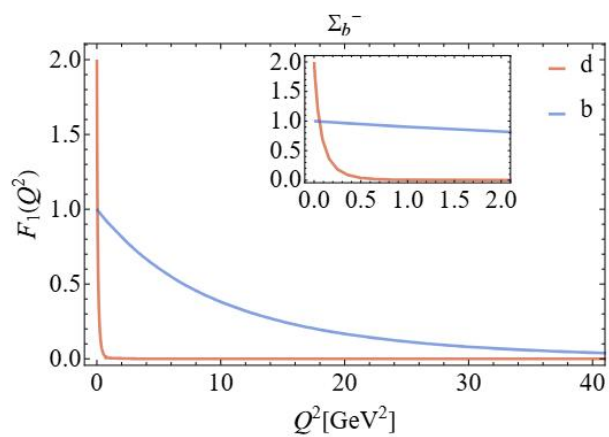
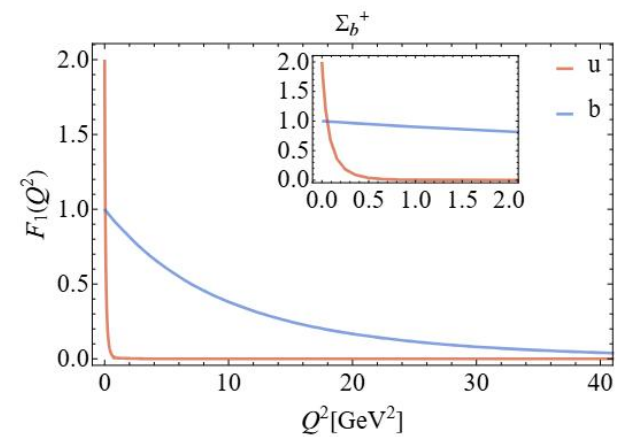
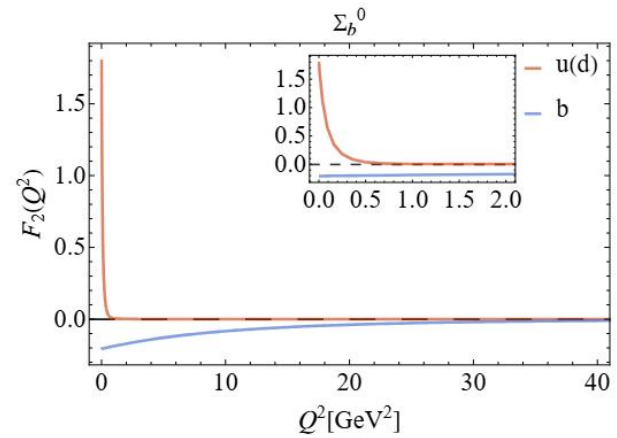
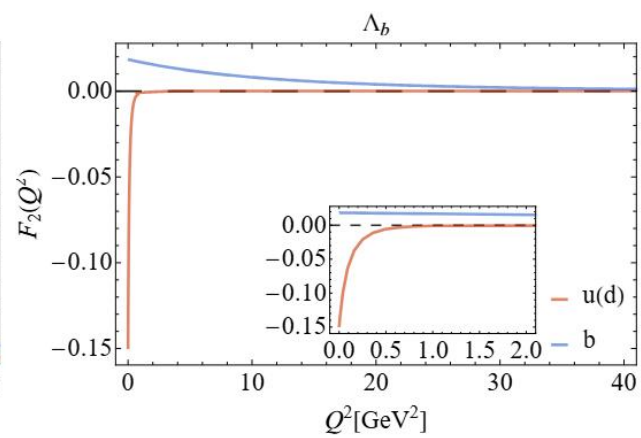
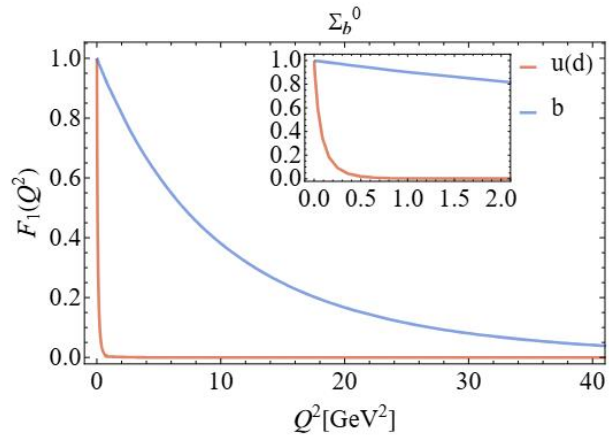
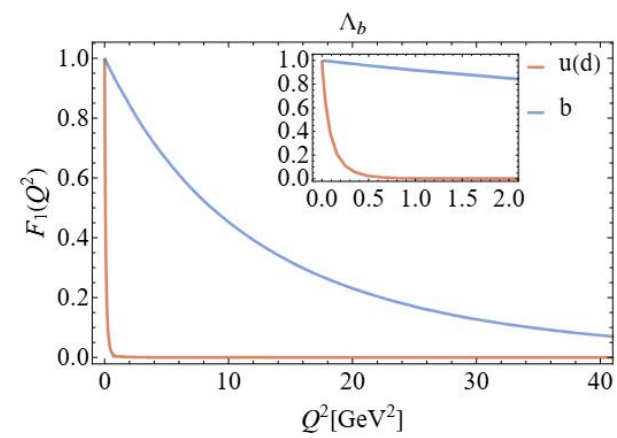


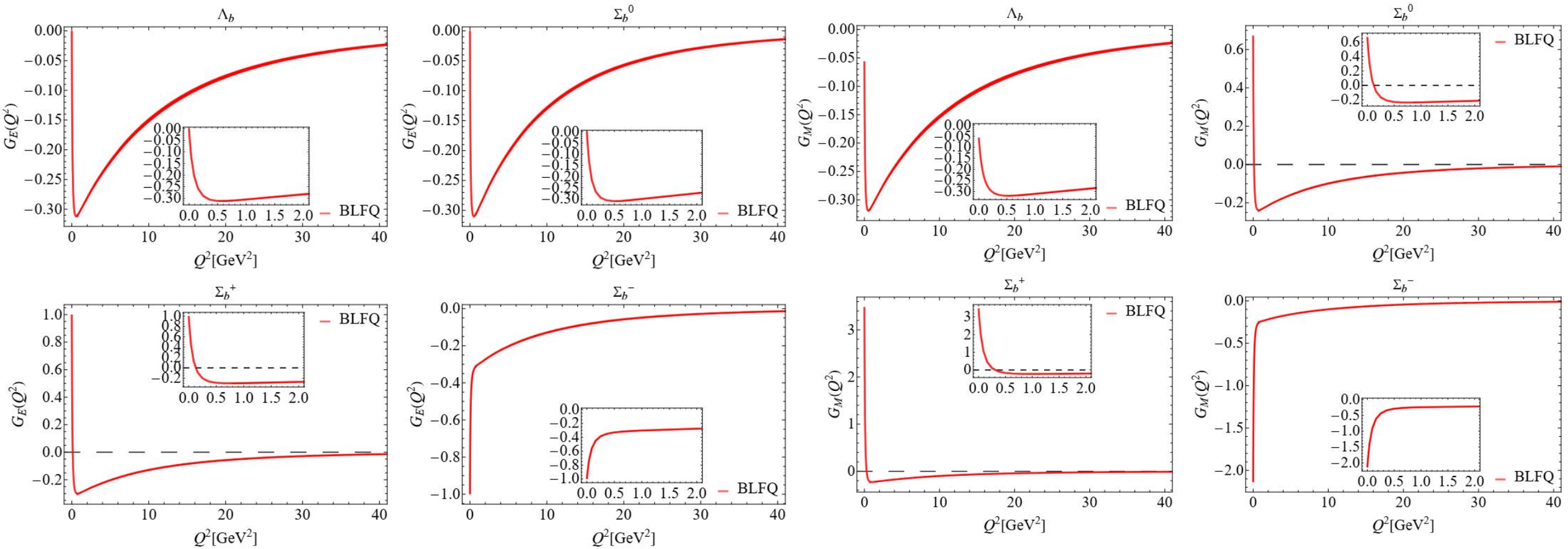
Λ
(uds)



Λ_b
(udb)

- For Λ_b : The peak at the small Q^2 region is influenced by the lower Pauli FFs and higher Dirac FFs of the heavy quark.





➤ Magnetic moments

Baryons	μ_{BLFQ}	[1]	[2, 3]	[4]	[3]	[5]	[6]
Λ_b	-0.0562 ± 0.0002	-0.0620	-0.060	...	-0.066	-0.060	...
Σ_b^0	0.6719 ± 0.0023	0.5653	0.640	0.659	0.422	0.603	0.390
Σ_b^+	3.4809 ± 0.0085	2.1989	2.500	2.575	1.622	2.250	1.590
Σ_b^-	-2.1372 ± 0.0040	-1.0684	-1.220	-1.256	-0.778	-1.150	-0.810

$$\mu = G_M^B(0)$$

➤ Charge radius and magnetic radius

Baryons	r_E^2	Λ	r_M^2	Λ
Λ_b	0.8944 ± 0.0145	0.07	-13.7106 ± 0.1743	0.52
Σ_b^0	1.0066 ± 0.0165	0.07	4.1193 ± 0.0589	0.82
Σ_b^+	4.0509 ± 0.0664	0.79	3.1865 ± 0.0426	0.79
Σ_b^-	2.0375 ± 0.0334	0.65	2.5996 ± 0.0332	0.70

$$\langle r_E^2 \rangle^B = - \frac{6}{G_E^B(0)} \frac{dG_E^B(Q^2)}{dQ^2} \Big|_{Q^2=0}$$

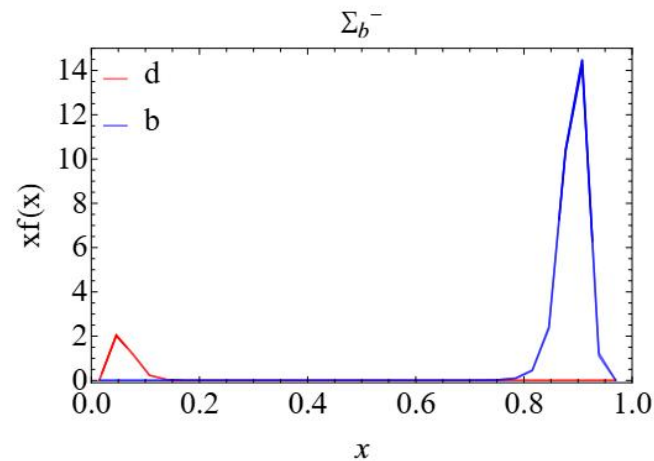
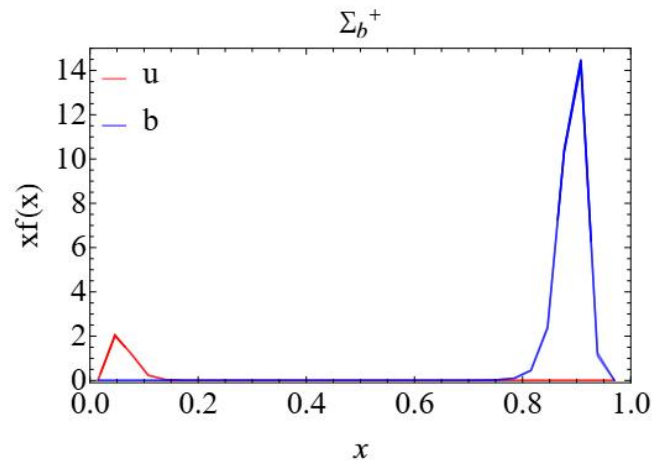
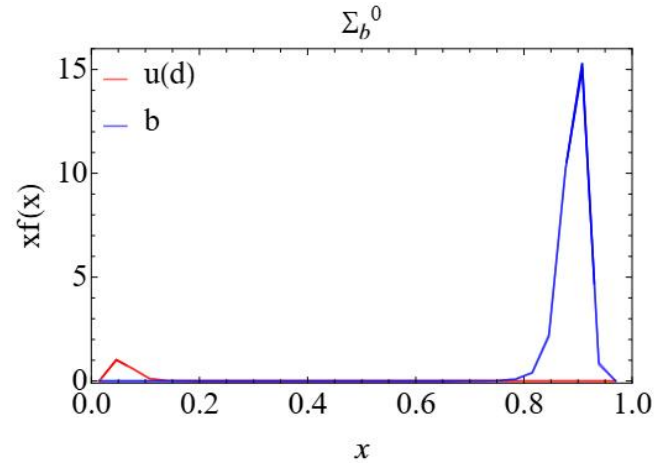
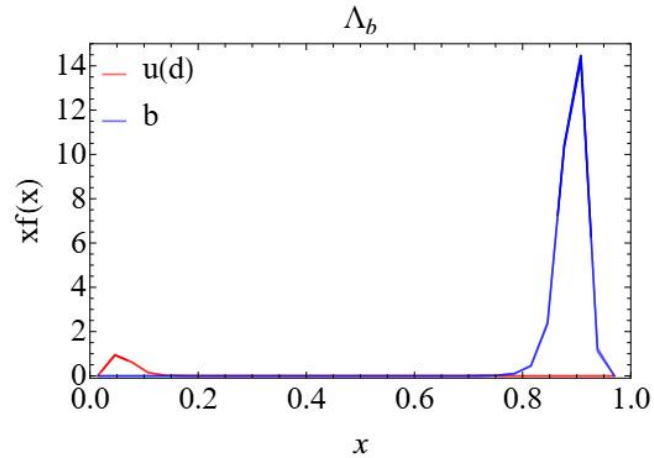
$$\langle r_M^2 \rangle^B = - \frac{6}{G_M^B(0)} \frac{dG_M^B(Q^2)}{dQ^2} \Big|_{Q^2=0}$$

[1]A. Hazra et al. PRD 104, 053002 (2021) [2]J. Franklin et al. PRD 24, 2910 (1981)

[3]A. Bernotas et al. arXiv:1209.2900 (2012) [4]N. Barik et al. PRD 28, 2823 (1983)

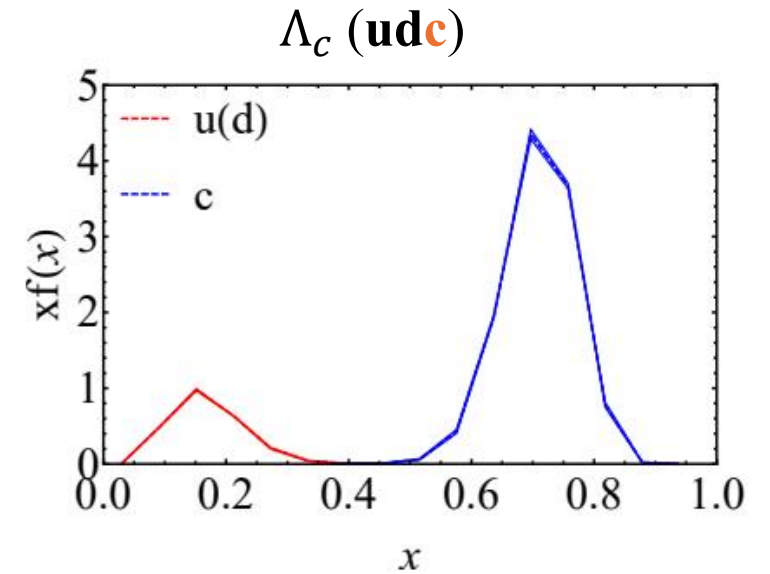
[5]V. Simonis et al. arXiv: 1803.01809 (2018) [6]L. Meng et al. PRD 98, 094013 (2018)

Unpolarized PDFs $f(x)$



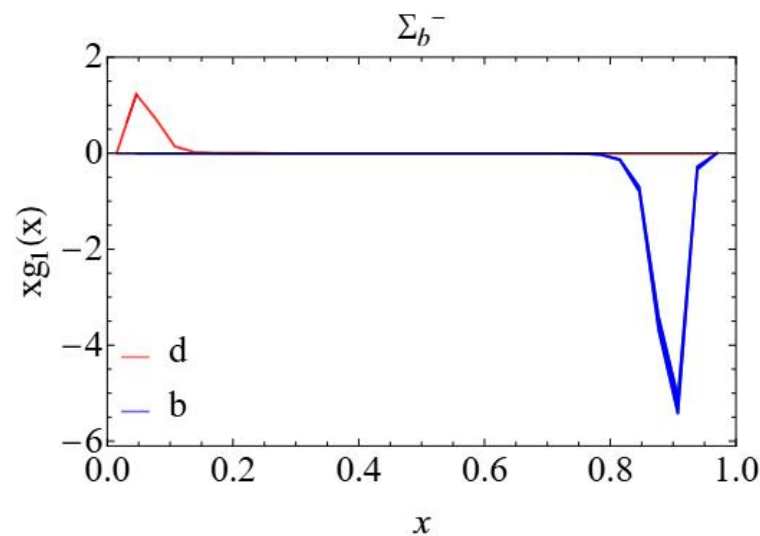
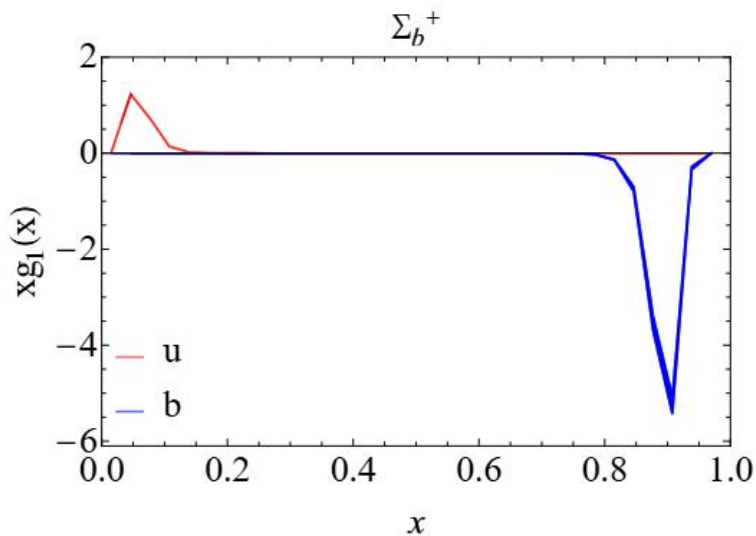
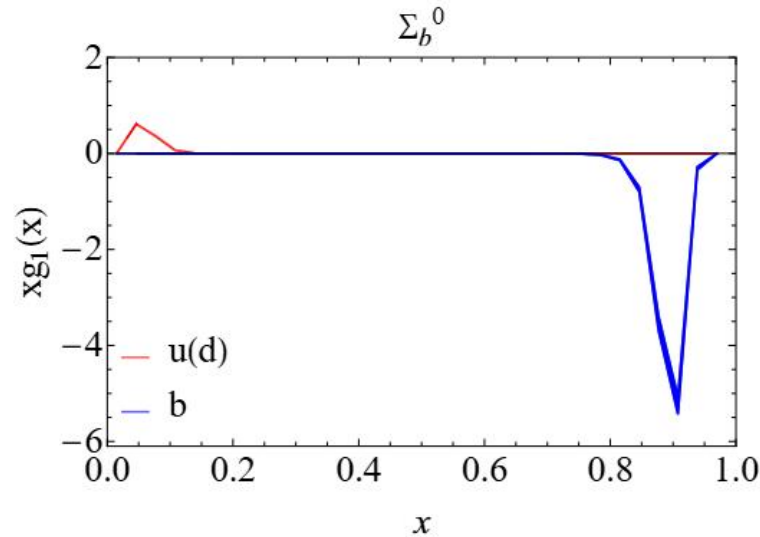
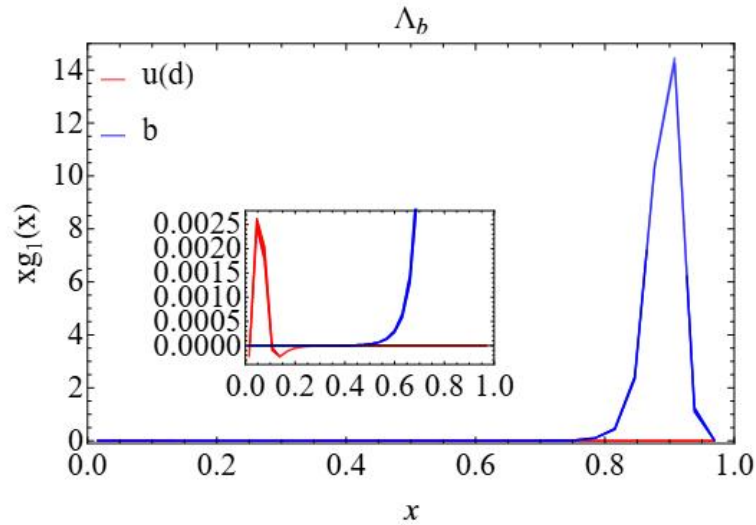
$$f^q(x) = \sum_{\lambda_i} \int [d\mathcal{X} d\mathcal{P}_\perp] \times \Psi_{\{x_i, \vec{p}_{i\perp}, \lambda_i\}}^{\uparrow*} \Psi_{\{x_i, \vec{p}_{i\perp}, \lambda_i\}}^{\uparrow} \delta(x - x_q)$$

- Heavier quark gives more contribution.
- Heavier quark concentrates on larger x .



Helicity PDFs $g_1(x)$

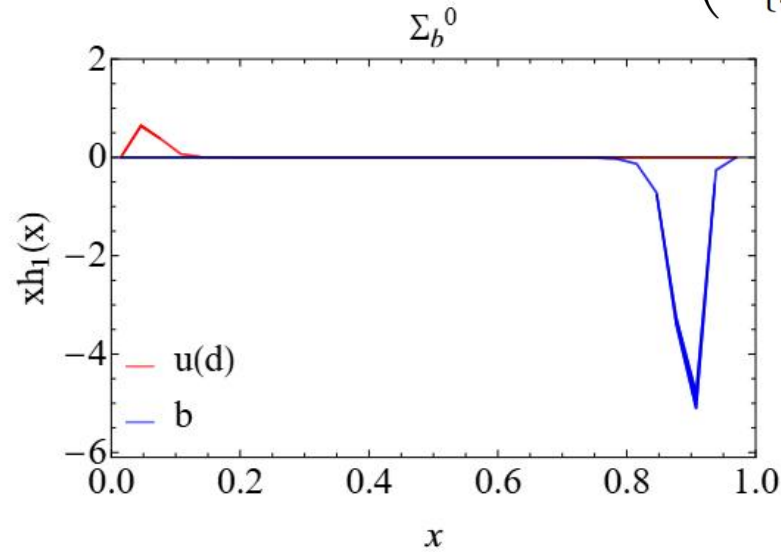
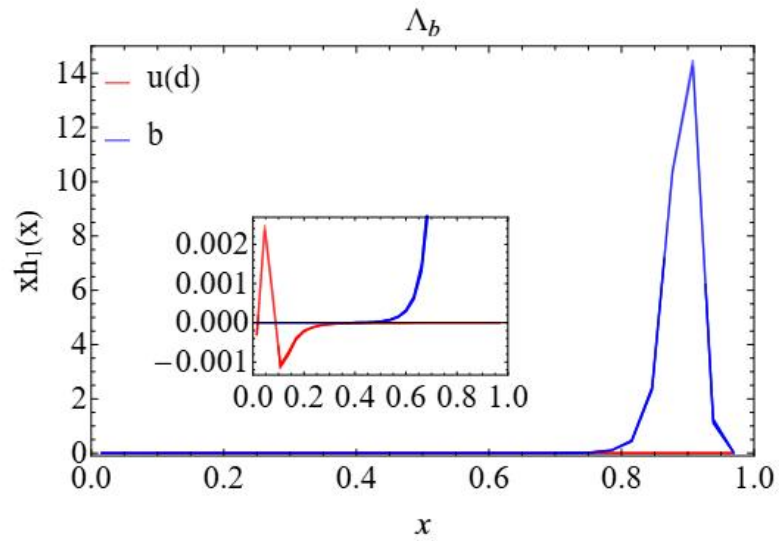
$$g_1^q(x) = \sum_{\{\lambda_i\}} \int [d\mathcal{X} d\mathcal{P}_\perp] \times \lambda_1 \Psi_{\{x_i, \vec{p}_{i\perp}, \lambda_i\}}^{\uparrow*} \Psi_{\{x_i, \vec{p}_{i\perp}, \lambda_i\}}^{\uparrow} \delta(x - x_1)$$



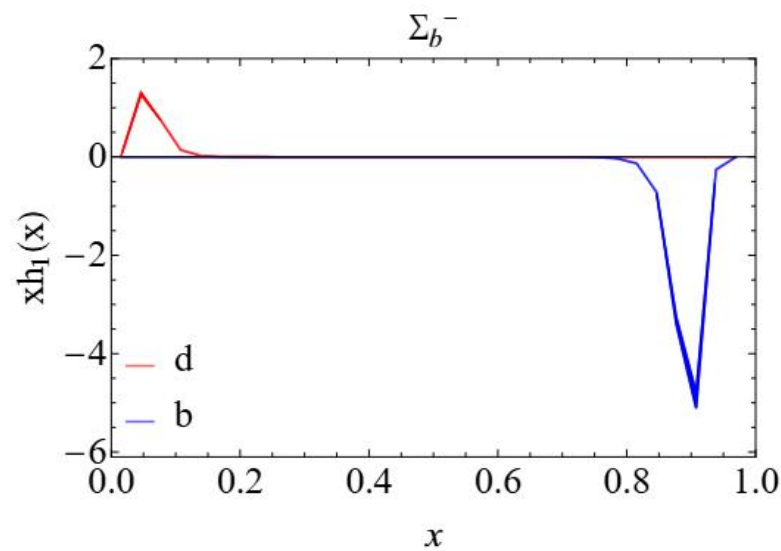
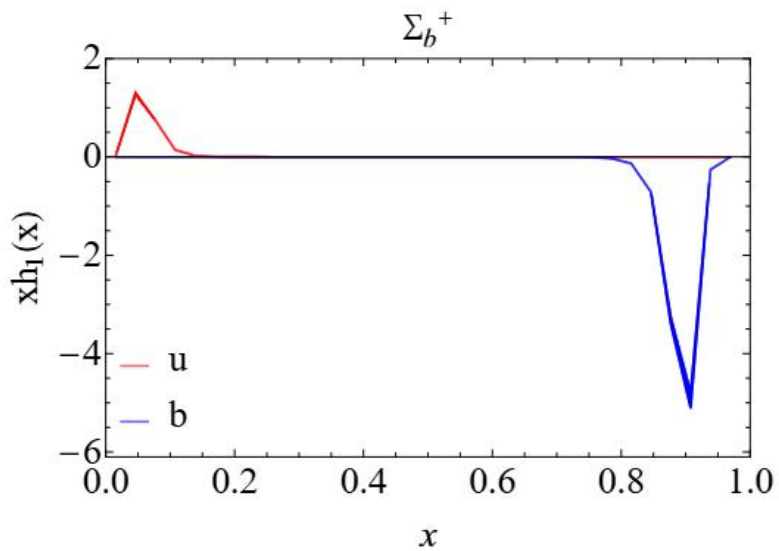
- Different spin structure
- For Λ_b (ground state):
b quark spin dominates the total spin of the bound state.
- For Σ_b (first excited state):
light quarks also have contributions.

Transversity PDFs $h_1(x)$

$$h_1^q(x) = \sum_{\{\lambda_i\}} \int [d\mathcal{X} d\mathcal{P}_\perp] \times \left(\Psi_{\{x_i, \vec{p}_{i\perp}, \lambda'_i\}}^{\uparrow*} \Psi_{\{x_i, \vec{p}_{i\perp}, \lambda_i\}}^\downarrow + (\uparrow \leftrightarrow \downarrow) \right) \delta(x - x_1)$$



- Similar to $g_1(x)$.



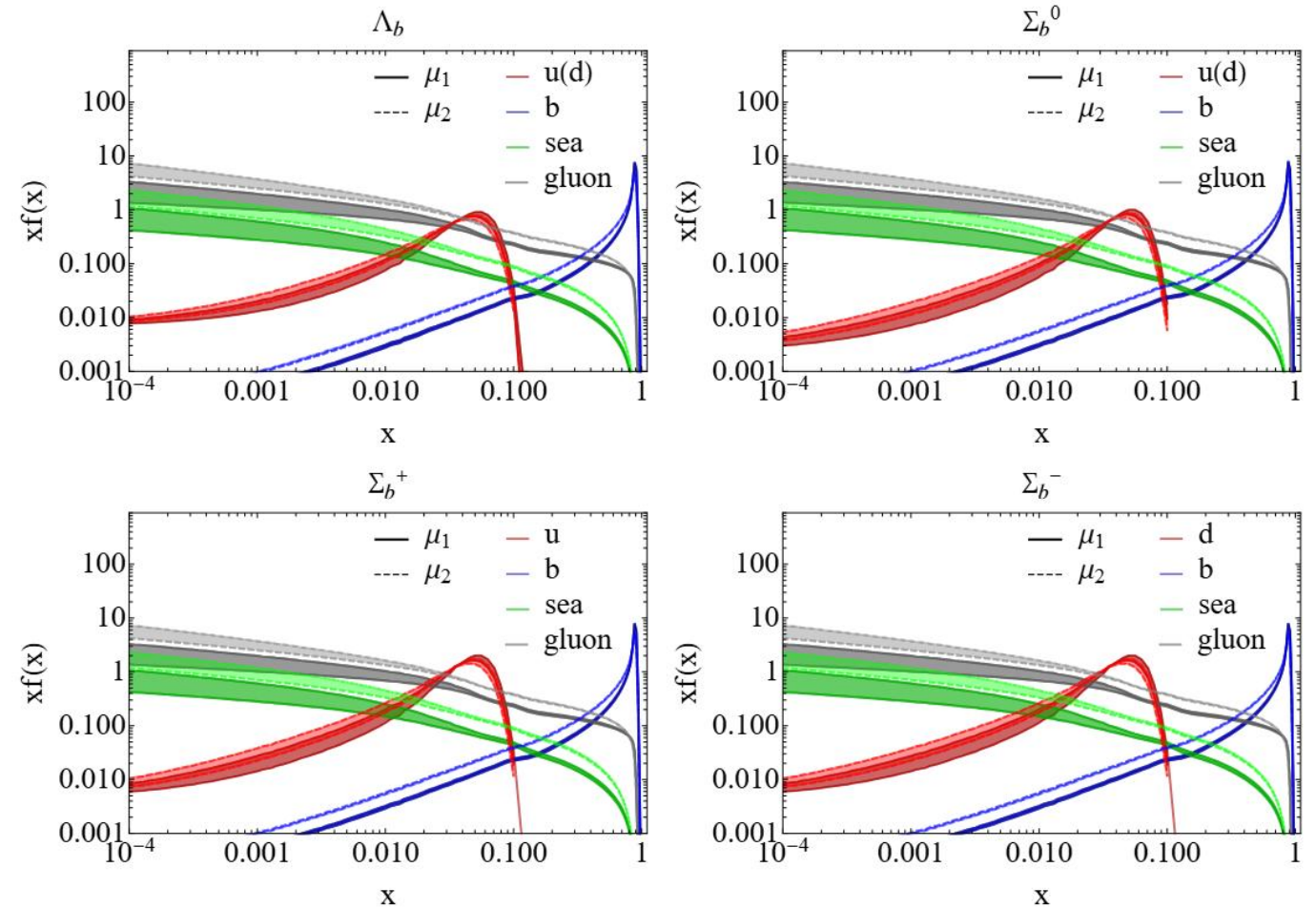
Evolved PDFs

- DGLAP evolution

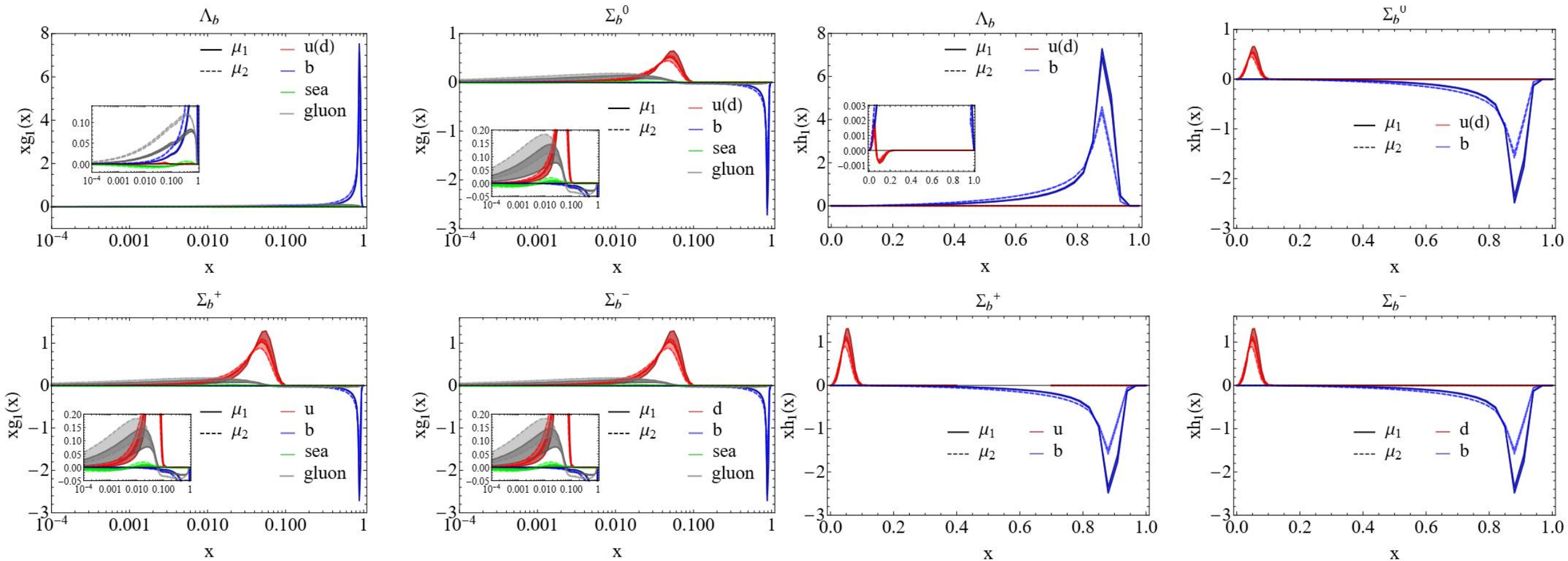
Initial scale (GeV)	
μ_h	1.90 (UV cutoff)
m_q	5.05

J. Lan et al. PRD 102, 014020 (2020)

Final scale (GeV)	
μ_1	20 (EicC)
μ_2	80 (eRHIC)



Evolved PDFs



Conclusion and prospect

- We obtain the masses comparable to experiment and the LFWFs of Λ_b and its isospin triplet baryons.
- Our prediction of their EM properties is in agreement with other theoretical calculations.
- We investigated their longitudinal structure with PDFs.

With the LFWFs of Λ_b and proton, we will calculate TFFs.

Thank you

$$H_{\text{LF}} |\Psi\rangle = M^2 |\Psi\rangle$$

$$H_{\text{LF}} = H_{\text{eff}} + H'$$

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{\vec{k}_{i\perp}^2 + m_i^2}{x_i} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j}^3 V_{i,j}^{\text{conf}} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j}^3 V_{i,j}^{\text{OGE}},$$

$$V_{i,j}^{\text{conf}} = \kappa^4 \left[\vec{r}_{ij\perp} - \frac{\partial_{x_i} (x_i x_j \partial_{x_j})}{(m_i + m_j)^2} \right]$$

$$V_{i,j}^{\text{OGE}} = \frac{4\pi C_F \alpha_s}{Q_{ij}^2} \bar{u}_{s'_i}(k'_i) \gamma^\mu u_{s_i}(k_i) \bar{u}_{s'_j}(k'_j) \gamma^\mu u_{s_j}(k_j)$$

$$H' = \lambda_L (H_{\text{c.m.}} - 2b^2 I)$$

$$H_{\text{c.m.}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \vec{k}_{i\perp} \right)^2 + b^4 \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i \vec{r}_{i\perp} \right)^2,$$