

# Femtoscopy of the $J/\psi$ –nucleon interaction

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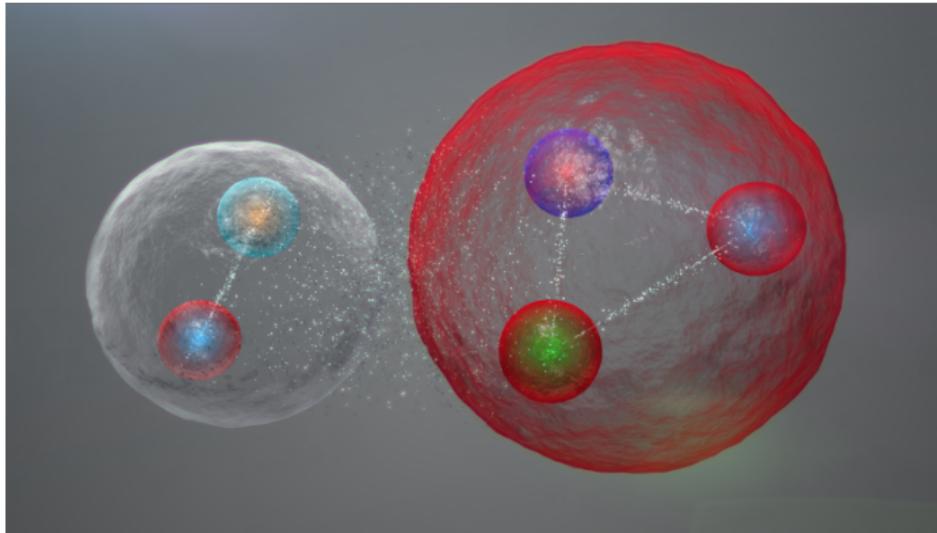
# Outline

1. Motivation: trace anomaly, proton mass
2. Heavy quarkonium-nucleon scattering
3.  $J/\psi$ -nucleon @ LHC - Femtoscopy
4. Predictions for  $J/\psi$ -nucleon femtoscopy
5. Conclusions & Perspectives

Work with T. C. Peixoto

# 1. Quarkonium-nucleon scattering

Access to trace anomaly matrix element:  $\langle N | (gE^a)^2 | N \rangle$   
(small QN relative momentum)



Quarkonium:  $\underbrace{\phi(s\bar{s})}_{\text{light}}, \underbrace{\eta_c(c\bar{c}), J/\psi(c\bar{c}), \eta_b(b\bar{b}), \Upsilon(b\bar{b})}_{\text{heavy}}$

# Trace anomaly - Nucleon mass

$$m_N = \frac{\beta(g)}{2g} \langle N | G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} | N \rangle + \sum_{l=u,d,s} \langle N | m_l (1 + \gamma_{m_l}) \bar{q}_l q_l | N \rangle$$

$\Downarrow$                                      $\Downarrow$

$$\simeq 880 \text{ MeV} \quad \quad \quad \simeq 60 \text{ MeV } (\textcolor{red}{\sigma-\text{term}})$$

$$\beta(g) \simeq -b \frac{g^3}{16\pi^2}, \quad b = 11 - \frac{2n_l}{3} \quad (\text{heavy quarks integrated out})$$

Experimental access to  $\langle N | G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} | N \rangle$ ?

Inequality (almost saturated, chromomagnetic part suppressed)\*:

$$-\frac{1}{2} \langle N | g^2 G_{\mu\nu}^a(x) G^{a\mu\nu}(x) | N \rangle = \langle N | [(g\mathbf{E}^a)^2 - (g\mathbf{B}^a)^2] | N \rangle \leq \langle N | (g\mathbf{E}^a)^2 | N \rangle$$

Shifman, Vainshtein & Zakharov (1978)

\*Sibirtsev & Voloshin (2005)

## 2. Heavy quarkonium - nucleon (QN)

### Low QN momentum interaction

- Heavy quarkonium: small object, radius  $r_Q$
- Interacts by exchanging gluons with nucleon's light quarks
- Low relative momentum, gluon wavelength  $\lambda_g \sim r_N$  (nucleon radius)
- $r_Q \ll r_N$ : quarkonium small dipole in soft gluon fields
- QCD multipole expansion ( $\sim$  OPE)

Peskin (1978), Bhanot & Peskin (1978), Voloshin (1979), Novikov & Shifman (1981), Kaidalov & Volkovitsky (1992), Luke, Manohar & Savage (1992)

# QN scattering amplitude

QCD multipole expansion

$$\begin{aligned} f_{QN}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}') &= \frac{\mu_{QN}}{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{2T_F}{3N_c} \langle \varphi_Q | \mathbf{r} \frac{1}{E_b + H_{\text{octet}}} \mathbf{r} | \varphi_Q \rangle \right] \langle N(\mathbf{p}) | (g\mathbf{E}^a)^2 | N(\mathbf{p}) \rangle \\ &= \frac{\mu_{QN}}{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \alpha_Q \langle N(\mathbf{p}) | (g\mathbf{E}^a)^2 | N(\mathbf{p}) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- $\mu_{QN}$  reduced mass,  $\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}'$  relative c.m. momenta
- $\alpha_Q$  quarkonium color polarizability
- $T_F = 1/2$ ,  $N_c = 3$
- **Note that:** forward ( $\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{p}$ ) amplitude enters here

Kaidalov & Volkovitsky (1992), Kharzeev (1996), Sibirtseev & Voloshin (2005)

# Experimental access to $\langle N|(gE^a)^2|N\rangle$

—Will focus on  $Q = J/\psi$

Lattice QCD simulations and models point toward a  
weakly attractive,  $S$ -wave dominated  
 $J/\psi N$  interaction

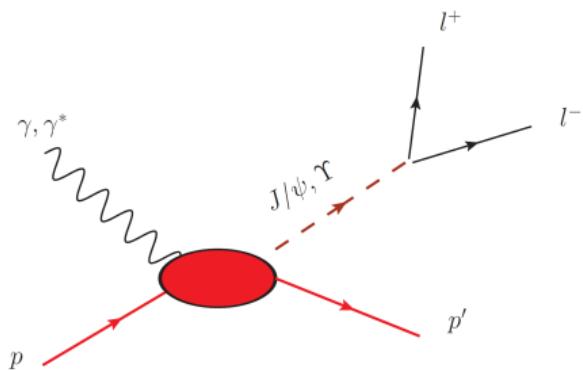
⇓ small relative  $J/\psi N$  momenta:  $f_{\text{forw.}} \simeq -a_{J/\psi N}$

$$a_{J/\psi N} = -\frac{\mu_{J/\psi N}}{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \alpha_{J/\psi} \langle N|(gE^a)^2|N\rangle$$

Need to measure  $a_{J/\psi N}$   
(But to obtain  $\langle N|(gE^a)^2|N\rangle$  need to know  $\alpha_{J/\psi}$ )

# Electro- and photoproduction @ JLab, EIC, EicC

## Analyses of recent Glue-X experiment\*



- Extracted very small values of scattering length  
 $0.003 \text{ fm} \leq |a_{J/\psi N}| \leq 0.025 \text{ fm}$   
100 times smaller than some of earlier theoretical estimates
- **Issues:**  
No forward scattering,  $t_{\text{thr.}} \simeq 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$   
Vector meson dominance problematic,  
not enough time for  $J/\psi$  to be formed

\* I.I. Strakovsky, D. Epifanov, and L. Pentchev, PRD 101, 042201 (2020)

L. Pentchev and I.I. Strakovsky, Eur. Phys. J. A 57, 56 (2021)

### 3. $J/\psi$ -nucleon @ LHC - Femtoscopy

Production yields and leptonic decay rates relatively high

Knowledge from lattice QCD and phenomenological models

#### Lattice:

- $J/\psi N$  interaction: attractive, not very strong
- Used quenched confs. or large quark masses, need extrapolation to physical masses
- Extrapolation: use effective field theory (EFT) - QNEFT\*
- QNEFT degrees of freedom:  $J/\psi, N = (p, n), \pi$

#### Models:

- Phenomenological spherical well, simple but insightful
- QCD multipole expansion + chiral soliton model ( $\chi$ CSQM)

\* J. Tarrús Castellà & GK, Phys. Rev. D 98, 014029 (2018)

# Femtoscopy: basics

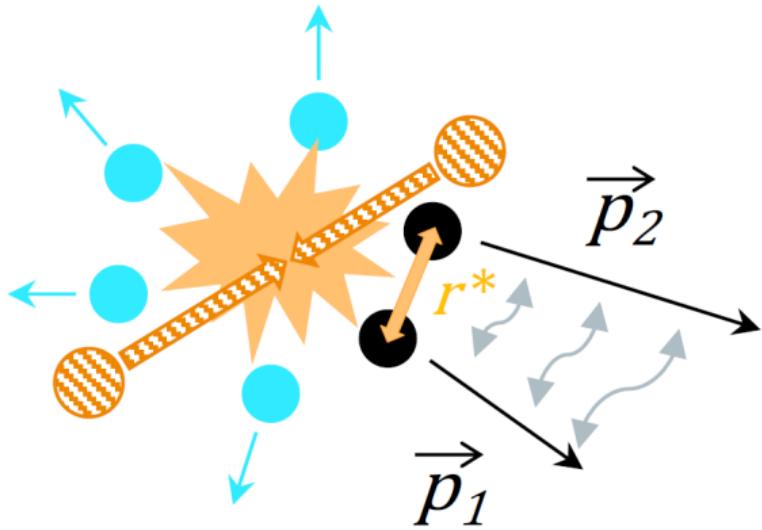


Figure from:  
Unveiling the strong interaction among hadrons at the LHC  
ALICE Coll., Nature 588, 232 (2020)

# Momentum correlation function

## Experimental extraction

- $\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2$ : measured hadron momenta       $m_1, m_2$ : hadron masses

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2, \quad \mathbf{k} = \frac{m_2 \mathbf{p}_1 - m_1 \mathbf{p}_2}{m_1 + m_2} : \text{c.m. and relative momenta}$$

- Pair's c.m. frame:  $\mathbf{P} = 0 \rightarrow \mathbf{p}_1 = -\mathbf{p}_2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{p}_1 = -\mathbf{p}_2$

$$C(k) = \frac{A(k)}{B(k)} \begin{cases} A(k) : \text{yield from same event (coincidence yield)} \\ B(k) : \text{yield from different events (background)} \end{cases}$$

- Corrections: nonfemtoscopic correlations, momentum resolution, etc  $\leftarrow \xi(k)$

$$C(k) = \xi(k) \frac{A(k)}{B(k)}$$

# Correlation function

## Theoretical interpretation

- Koonin-Pratt formula

$$C(k) = \xi(k) \frac{A(k)}{B(k)} = \int d^3r S_{12}(\mathbf{r}) |\psi(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{r})|^2$$

$S_{12}(\mathbf{r})$ : source, pair's relative distance distribution function (in pair's frame)

$\psi(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{r})$ : pair's relative wave function

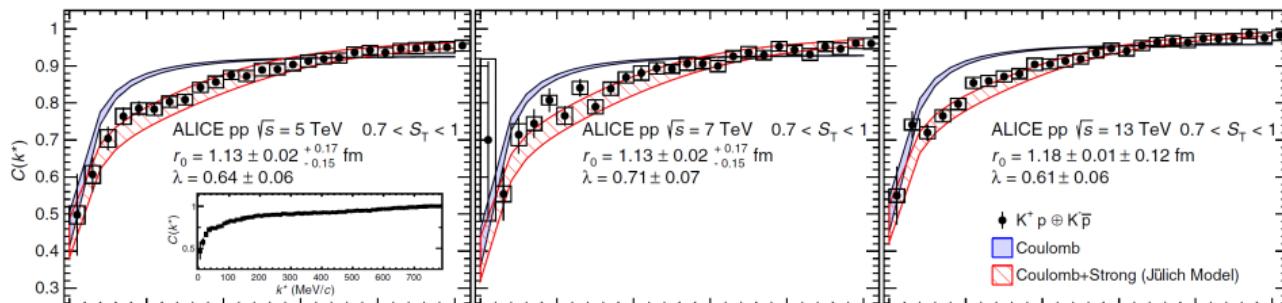
- One needs here  $\psi(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{r})$  for  $0 \leq r \leq \infty$ , not asymptotic as in scattering
- $\psi(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{r})$ : properties of the interaction

# Femtoscopy of the $KN$ interaction

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS 124, 092301 (2020)

## Scattering Studies with Low-Energy Kaon-Proton Femtoscopy in Proton-Proton Collisions at the LHC

S. Acharya *et al.*  
(A Large Ion Collider Experiment Collaboration)



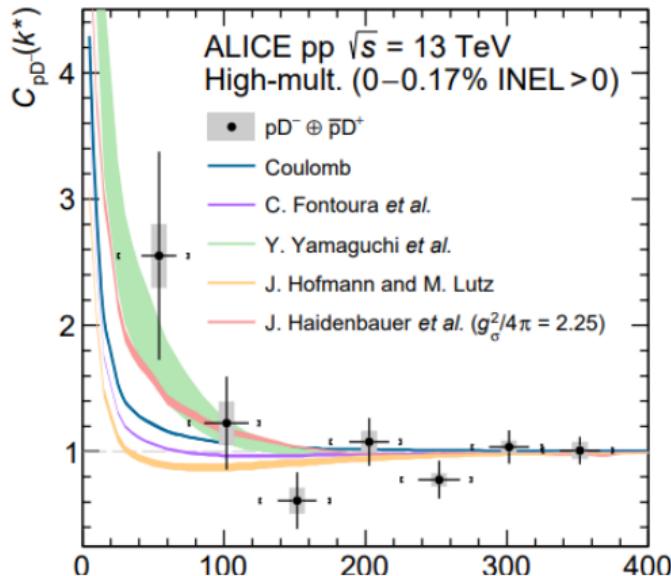
Red band (theory prediction):

J. Haidenbauer, G. Krein, U.-G. Meißner and L. Tólos  
Eur. Phys. J. A 47, 18 (2011)

# Femtoscopy of the $DN$ interaction

First study of the two-body scattering involving charm hadrons

ALICE Collaboration\*



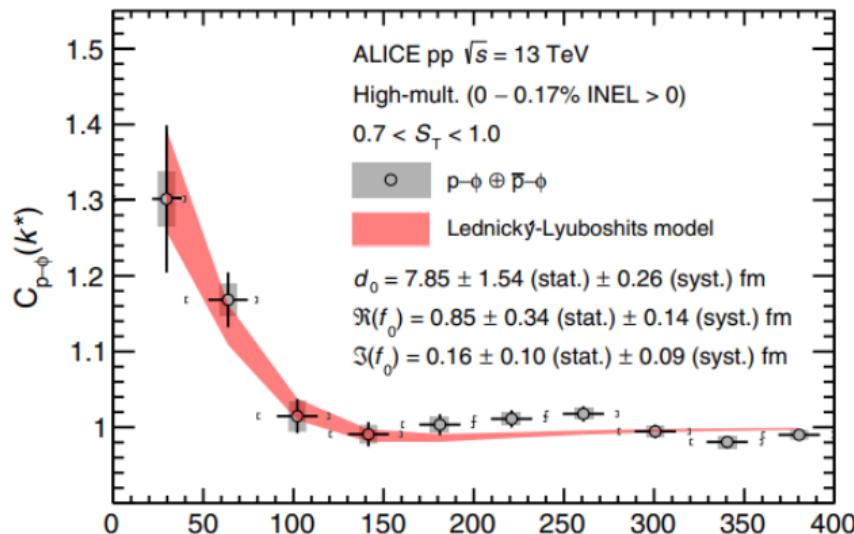
# Femtoscopy of the $\phi N$ interaction

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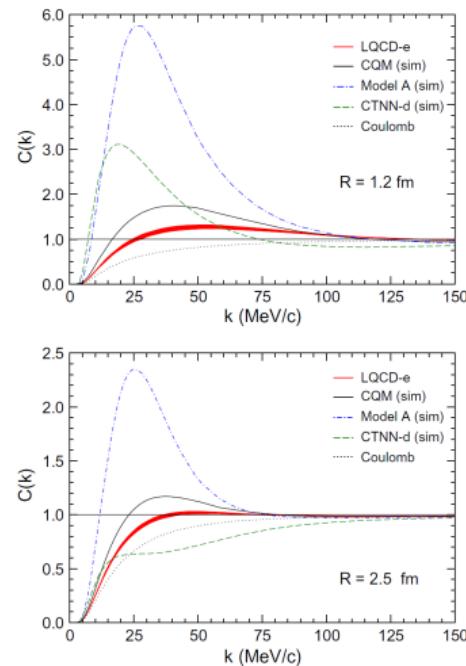
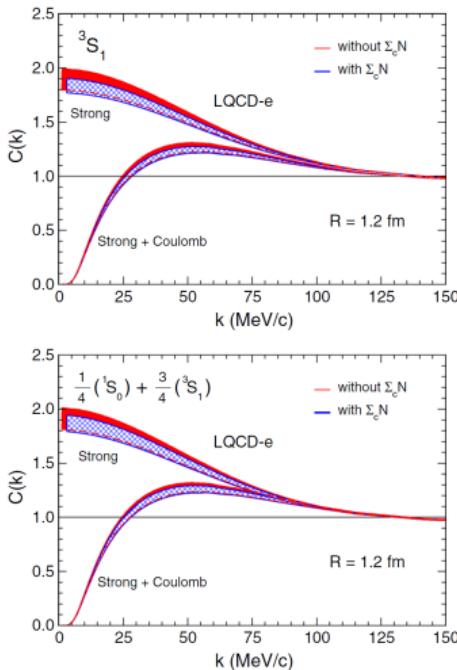
Editors' Suggestion

## Experimental Evidence for an Attractive $p\text{-}\phi$ Interaction

S. Acharya *et al.*<sup>\*</sup>  
(ALICE Collaboration)



# Femtoscopy of the $\Lambda_c N$ - prediction



# Femtoscopy of $J/\psi$ -nucleon

- Interaction: weakly attractive,  $S$ -wave dominated

$$\psi(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{r}) = e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} + \psi_0(k, r) - j_0(kr)$$

$\psi_0(k, r)$  contains the effects of the interaction

- Simplification (not unrealistic):

$$S_{12}(r) = \frac{1}{(4\pi R^2)^{3/2}} e^{-r^2/4R^2}$$

Normally used:  $R = 1$  fm – 1.3 fm ( $p\bar{p}$ ),       $R = 1.5$  fm – 4.0 fm ( $pA, AA$ )

- Correlation function:

$$C(k) = 1 + \frac{4\pi}{(4\pi R^2)^{3/2}} \int_0^\infty dr r^2 e^{-r^2/4R^2} [|\psi_0(k, r)|^2 - |j_0(kr)|^2]$$

# Source size $\times$ interaction range

If emission happens outside “interaction range”:  $\psi_0(k, r) \rightarrow \psi_0^{\text{asy}}(k, r)$

$$\psi_0^{\text{asy}}(k, r) = \frac{\sin(kr + \delta_0)}{kr} = e^{-i\delta_0} \left[ j_0(kr) + f_0(k) \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} \right]$$

$$f_0(k) = \frac{e^{i\delta_0} \sin \delta_0}{k} \underset{k \rightarrow 0}{\approx} \frac{1}{-1/a_0 + r_0 k^2/2 - ik}$$

Lednicky-Lyuboshits (LL) model

$$C(k) = 1 + \frac{|f_0(k)|^2}{2R^2} \left( 1 - \frac{r_0}{2\sqrt{\pi}R} \right) + \frac{2\text{Re}f_0(k)}{\sqrt{\pi}R} F_1(2kR) - \frac{\text{Im}f_0(k)}{R} F_2(2kR)$$

$$F_1(x) = \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x dt e^{t-x}, \quad F_2(x) = \frac{1}{x} \left( 1 - e^{-x^2} \right)$$

Validity:  $r_0 \ll R$

**Universal formula, independent of interaction details**

# Correlation and $\langle (g\mathbf{E})^2 \rangle_N$

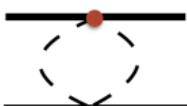
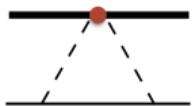
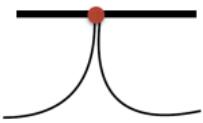
LL for small  $k$ :

$$C(k) = 1 - \frac{1}{2\pi^{3/2}} \left(1 - \frac{8}{3}k^2 R^2\right) \frac{\mu_{J/\psi N} \alpha_{J/\psi} \langle (g\mathbf{E})^2 \rangle_N}{R}$$

$C(k)$  gives direct access to  $\langle (g\mathbf{E})^2 \rangle_N$ \*

\*Under validity of LL model

# Quarkonium-nucleon EFT (QNEFT)



## Degrees of freedom – Scales – Power counting

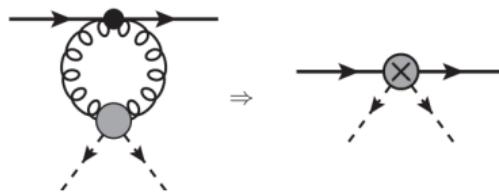
- **DOF:** nucleons ( $N$ ), quarkonia ( $\phi$ ), pions ( $\pi$ )
- **Scales:**  $E_N, E_\phi, E_\pi \ll \Lambda_\chi \simeq 1 \text{ GeV}$
- **Power counting:** powers of  $\frac{m_\pi}{\Lambda_\chi}$
- **Loops:** dimensional regularization

# QNEFT input: $\phi - \pi$ vertex

pNRQCD  $\rightarrow$  gWEFT ( $J/\psi$  polarizability)



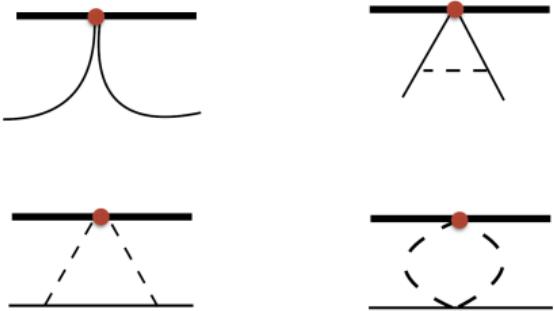
gWEFT  $\rightarrow$   $\chi$ EFT (trace anomaly)



<sup>1</sup> A. Vairo, in QCHS IV, ed. W. Lucha and K. M. Maung (World Scientific, 2002)

<sup>2</sup> N. Brambilla, GK, J. Tarrús Castellà, A. Vairo, Phys. Rev. D 93 054002 (2016)

# QNEFT predictions



**QNEFT:  $J/\psi$  polarizability +  $\chi$ EFT**

- Weakly attractive
- Tail: van der Waals type of force

$$V_{\text{vdW}}(r) \xrightarrow{r \gg 1/2m_\pi} \frac{3g_A^2 m_\pi^4 (c_{di} + c_m)}{128\pi^2 F^2} \frac{e^{-2m_\pi r}}{r^2}$$

- $S$ -wave dominated:

Effective range expansion (ERE):

$$f_0(k) = \frac{1}{k \cot \delta - ik} = \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{2} r_0 k^2 - ik} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -0.71 \text{ fm} \leq a_0 \leq -0.35 \text{ fm} \\ 1.29 \text{ fm} \leq r_0 \leq 1.35 \text{ fm} \end{array} \right.$$

# Phenomenological models

Finite well<sup>1</sup>:

$$V(r) = \begin{cases} -\frac{2\pi}{3} \left( \frac{\alpha_{J/\psi}}{R_N^3} \right) m_N & \text{for } r < R_N \\ 0 & \text{for } r > R_N \end{cases}$$

Multipole expansion +  $\chi$ SQM<sup>2</sup>

$$V(r) = -\alpha_{J/\psi} \frac{4\pi^2}{b} \left( \frac{g^2}{g_s^2} \right) [\nu \rho_E(r) - 3p(r)] \begin{cases} \rho_E(r), p(r) : \text{energy density, pressure} \\ b = 27/3, \quad g^2/g_s^2 = 1, \quad \nu = 1.5 \end{cases}$$

<sup>1</sup> J. Ferretti, E. Santopinto, M. N Anwar and M. Bedolla, Phys. Lett. B 789, 562 (2019)

<sup>2</sup> M.I. Eides, V.Y. Petrov and M.V. Polyakov, Eur. Phys. J. C 78, 36 (2018)

# ERE parameters (phenom. models)

Essentially one unknown parameter:  $\alpha_{J/\psi}$

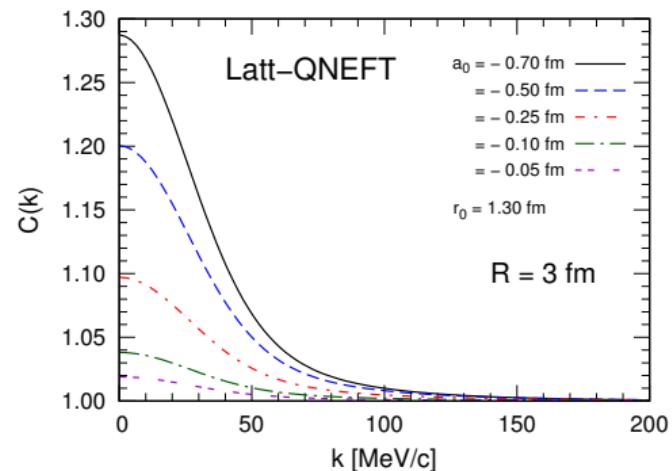
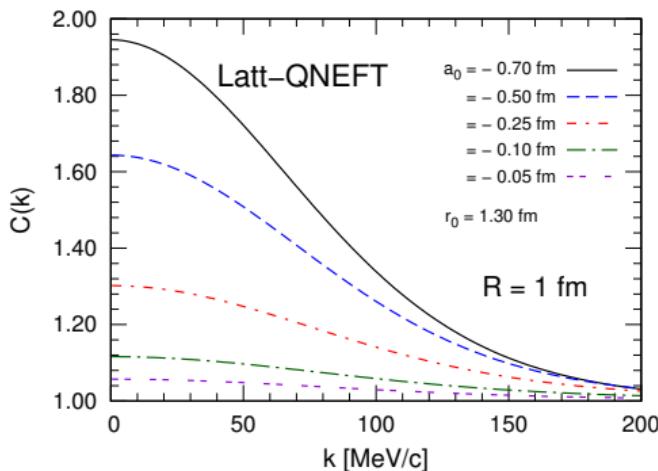
ERE parameters (in fm) for different  $\alpha_{J/\psi}$  (in  $\text{GeV}^{-3}$ )

| $\alpha_{J/\psi}$ | Finite well* |       | $\chi\text{SQM}$ |       |
|-------------------|--------------|-------|------------------|-------|
|                   | $a_0$        | $r_0$ | $a_0$            | $r_0$ |
| 2.00              | -0.68        | 1.59  | -0.42            | 1.86  |
| 1.60              | -0.47        | 1.86  | -0.30            | 2.25  |
| 0.54              | -0.12        | 4.50  | -0.08            | 6.00  |
| 0.24              | -0.05        | 9.46  | -0.03            | 13.05 |

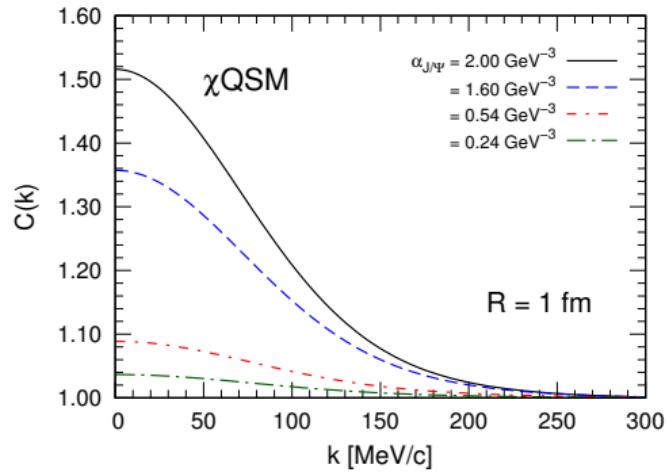
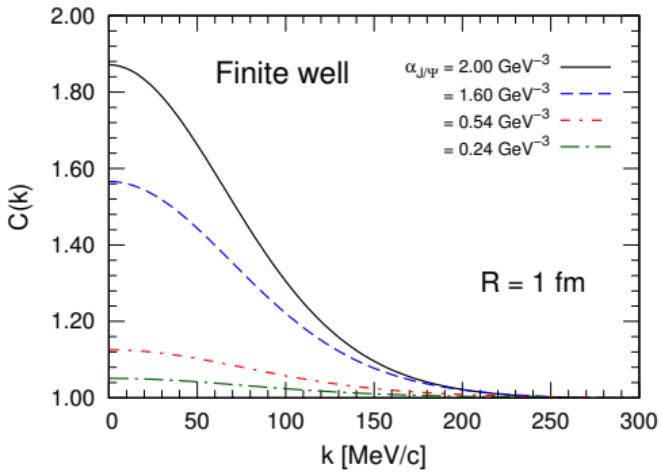
\* $R_N = 1 \text{ fm}$

# 4. Predictions $J/\psi$ -nucleon femtoscopy

Use of ERE



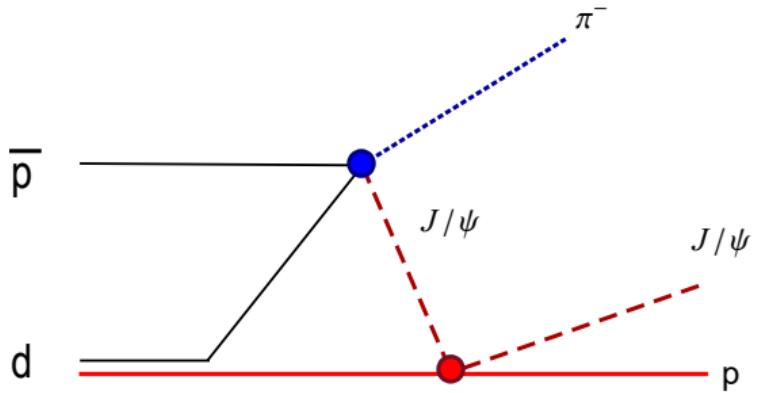
# Full wave function



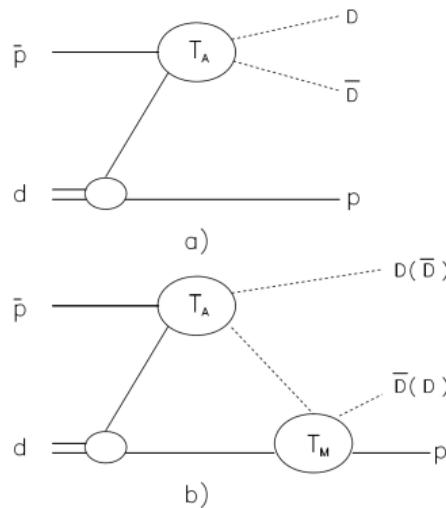
## 5. Conclusions & Perspectives

1. Trace anomaly: how QCD “explains” proton’s mass
2. Femtoscopy of  $J/\psi$ –nucleon: access key matrix element
3. Femtoscopy sensitive to interaction if  $\alpha_{J/\psi} \geq 0.25 \text{ GeV}^{-3}$
4. How about quarkonium-pion?
5. Open issues:  
Theory: LL model & multipole expansion, lattice QCD, models  
Experiment: source size, nonfemtoscopic correlations, etc
6. Prospects: **cautiously optimistic !**

$\bar{p}d \rightarrow J/\psi p \pi^-$ : **PANDA @ FAIR, AMBER @ CERN**



# Similar to $\bar{p}d \rightarrow D\bar{D}N$ : **PANDA @ FAIR**



**Fig. 1.** Contributions to the reaction  $\bar{p}d \rightarrow D\bar{D}N$ : a) the Born (nucleon exchange) diagram.  $T_A$  denotes the annihilation amplitude. b) Meson rescattering diagram.  $T_M$  denotes the meson-nucleon scattering amplitude. Note that both  $DN$  and  $\bar{D}N$  scatterings contribute to the reaction amplitude.

Thank you

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