

Polarized Gluon Distributions from HLFQCD

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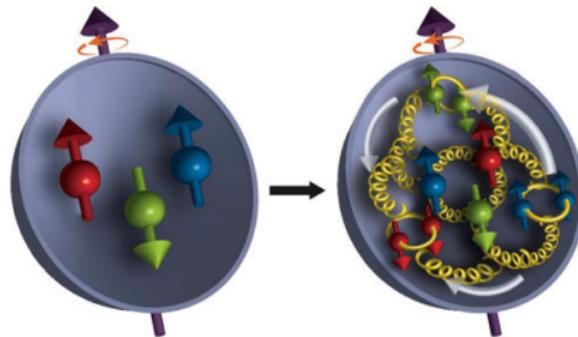
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Introduction

- In early 1980s : proton spin \Rightarrow three-valence quarks !
- In 1988 the European Muon Collaboration (EMC) at CERN $\Rightarrow \Delta\Sigma = 0.060(47)(69)$ at $Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$. **"proton spin puzzle"**, [European Muon Collaboration, [Phys.Lett.B 206 \(1988\) 364](#)]
- In 2008, A. Thomas et al. shown missing spin is produced by the valence and sea quarks orbital angular momentum. [[Phys.Rev.Lett. 101 \(2008\) 102003](#)]
- Recent Monte Carlo calculation shows that 50% of the proton spin come from gluon polarization. [[Bass, Steven D., APS Physics 10 \(2017\) 23](#)]
- LQCD $\Delta G(\mu^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2) = 0.251(47)(16)$, [[Large-momentum effective theory, X. Ji, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 262002 \(2013\)](#)],
- In 2022, Signature of the Gluon Orbital Angular Momentum, [[S. Bhattacharya et al., PRL 128 \(2022\) 18, 182002](#)]



Proton spin-decomposition

- There are two established approaches to look at the compositions of the proton spin :

Frame-independent spin sum rule (Ji)

$$\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + L_q^z + J_g = \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

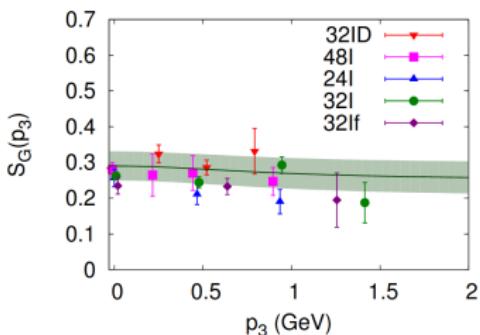
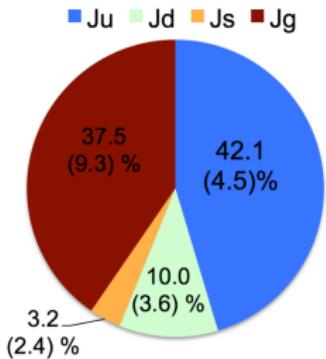
- $\Delta\Sigma/2$ and L_q^z (sum to J_q) are the quark helicity and OAM, respectively;
- Quark and gluon contributions J_q and J_g can be obtained from GPD moments;
- The sum rule also works for the transverse angular momentum in the IMF.

Infinite-momentum frame spin sum rule (Jaffe-Manohar)

$$\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + \ell_q + \ell_g = \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

- ΔG is the gluon helicity, ℓ_q and ℓ_g are canonical OAM;
- All terms have partonic interpretations, ℓ_q and ℓ_g are twist-three quantities;
- ΔG is measurable from e.g. RHIC-spin and EIC; ℓ_q and ℓ_g can be extracted from GPDs.

- State-of-the-art lattice study on the proton spin :



Veneziano amplitudes and holographic QCD

- In LFHQCD the analytic structure of FFs and GPDs leads to a connection with the Veneziano amplitude, which incorporates the ρ Regge trajectory.
- Veneziano amplitude ([G. VENEZIANO, 1968](#)).

$$A(s, t) \sim B(1 - \alpha(s), 1 - \alpha(t)) \quad (1)$$

where $\alpha(t) = \alpha_0 + \alpha' t$ is the linear Regge trajectory.

- The duality between quark and hadron can be given through Veneziano model.
- For fixed t and large s the amplitude, $A(s, t) \sim s^{\alpha(t)-1}$.

Unpolarized quark distributions

- FF in HLFQCD

$$F_\tau(t) = \frac{1}{N_\tau} B\left(\tau - 1, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{t}{4\lambda}\right) \quad (2)$$

- Beta fun can be written as $B(\tau - 1, 1 - \alpha(t))$ with Regge trajectory

$$\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{t}{4\lambda} \quad (3)$$

with $\sqrt{\lambda} = \kappa = m_\rho/\sqrt{2} = 0.548$ GeV.

- Using the integral rep of the Beta fun

$$F_\tau(t) = \frac{1}{N_\tau} \int_0^1 dx w'(x) w(x)^{-\alpha(t)} [1 - w(x)]^{\tau-2} \quad (4)$$

with $w(0) = 0$, $w(1) = 1$ and $w'(x) \geq 0$

$$w(x) = x^{1-x} \exp[-a(1-x)^2] \quad (5)$$

- Flavor FF can be written in terms of the valence GPD at zero skewness, $\xi = 0$

$$F_\tau^q(t) = \int_0^1 dx H_\tau^q(x, \xi = 0, t) = \int_0^1 dx q_\tau(x) \exp[tf(x)] \quad (6)$$

where $f(x) = \frac{1}{4\lambda} \log \left(\frac{1}{w(x)} \right)$ is the profile function and $q_\tau(x)$ is the unpolarized quark pdf for arbitrary twist- τ ,

$$q_\tau(x) = \frac{1}{N_\tau} [1 - w(x)]^{\tau-2} w(x)^{\alpha(0)} w'(x) \quad (7)$$

- The valence u and d quark pdfs can be calculated as,

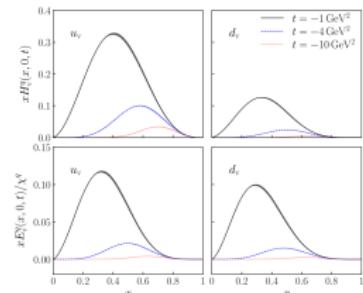
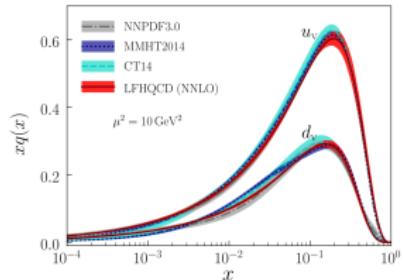
$$\begin{aligned} u_v(x) &= (2 - \frac{r}{3}) q_{\tau=3}(x) + \frac{r}{3} q_{\tau=4}(x), \\ d_v(x) &= (1 - \frac{2r}{3}) q_{\tau=3}(x) + \frac{2r}{3} q_{\tau=4}(x) \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

with the normalization conditions : $\int_0^1 dx u_v = 2$ and $\int_0^1 dx d_v = 1 \implies r \leq 3/2$.

- The valence u and d quark GPDs are given as,

$$\begin{aligned} H_v^q(x, t) &= q_v(x) \exp[t f(x)] \\ E_v^q(x, t) &= e_v^q(x) \exp[t f(x)] \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$e_v^q(x) = \chi_q [(1 - \gamma_q) q_{\tau=4}(x) + \gamma_q q_{\tau=6}(x)] \quad (10)$$



Polarized quark distributions

- Spin-dependent quark distributions can be uniquely determined in terms of the unpolarized distributions by chirality separation without the introduction of additional free parameters.
- Polarized distributions, for which the coupling of an axial current,

$$F_{A,\tau}(t) = \frac{1}{N_\tau} B\left(\tau - 1, 1 - \frac{t}{4\lambda}\right) \quad (11)$$

- $F_{A,\tau}$ has the same structure as $F_{V,\tau}$, but with the Regge trajectory replaced by the axial one,

$$\alpha_A(t) = \frac{t}{4\lambda} \quad (12)$$

- The polarized quark distribution for arbitrary twist- τ can be obtained as,

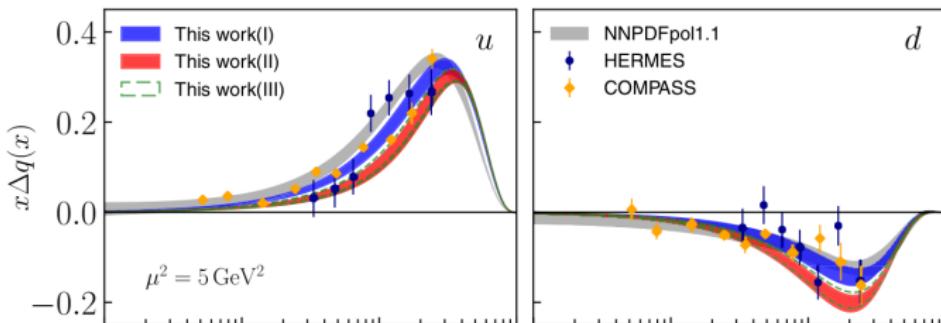
$$\Delta q_\tau(x) = \frac{1}{N_\tau} [1 - w(x)]^{\tau-2} w'(x) \quad (13)$$

- The polarized quark distributions for the proton,

$$\Delta q(x) = c_\tau \Delta q_\tau(x) - c_{\tau+1} \Delta q_{\tau+1} \quad (14)$$

- Spin-aligned and spin-antialigned distributions are the linear combinations of the polarized and unpolarized distributions,

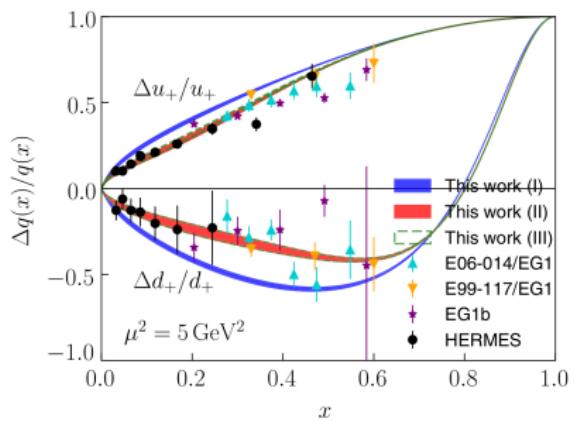
$$q_\uparrow(x) = \frac{1}{2} [q(x) + \Delta q(x)], \quad q_\downarrow(x) = \frac{1}{2} [q(x) - \Delta q(x)] \quad (15)$$



The quark helicity asymmetry is consistent with the pQCD constraint,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\Delta q(x)}{q(x)} = 1, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta q(x)}{q(x)} = x^{1/2} \quad (16)$$

here exponent 1/2 is the difference between the intercepts of the vector and axial Regge trajectories



Unpolarized gluon distributions

- Gluonic distributions can be described from the coupling of the metric fluctuations induced by the **spin-two Pomeron** with the energy momentum tensor in anti-de Sitter space, $\int d^5x \sqrt{g} h_{MN} T^{MN}$.
- By performing a small deformation of the AdS metric about its AdS background $g_{MN} \rightarrow g_{MN} + h_{MN}$,

$$S_g[h] = -\frac{1}{4} \int d^5x \sqrt{g} e^{\varphi_g(z)} \left(\partial_L h^{MN} \partial^L h_{MN} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_L h \partial^L h \right) \quad (17)$$

- With the additional gauge condition $\partial_M h = 0$, The linearized Einstein equations can be obtained as,

$$-\frac{z^3}{e^{\varphi_g(z)}} \partial_z \left(\frac{e^{\varphi_g(z)}}{z^3} \partial_z h_\mu^\nu \right) + \partial_\rho \partial^\rho h_\mu^\nu = 0, \quad (18)$$

- The plane wave solution with the polarization indices of the above Eq. with $q^2 = -Q^2 < 0$ is given by, $h_\mu^\nu(x, z) = \epsilon_\mu^\nu e^{-iq \cdot x} H(q^2, z)$.
- For a soft-wall profile $\varphi_g(z) = -\lambda_g z^2$, with $a = Q^2/4\lambda_g$, $\xi = \lambda_g z^2$

$$H(a, \xi) = a(2+a) \int_0^1 dx x^{a-1} (1-x) e^{-\xi x(1-x)} \quad (19)$$

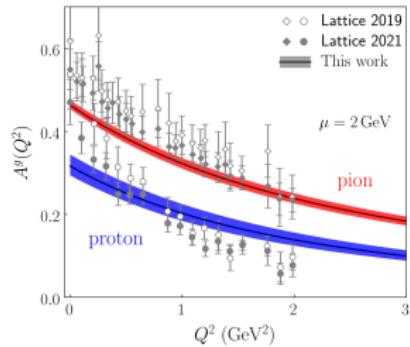
- The gluon GFF $A_\tau^g(Q^2)$ can be written in terms of bulk field propagator as,

$$A_\tau^g(Q^2) = \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z^3} H(Q^2, z) \Phi_\tau^2(z) \quad (20)$$

with $\Phi_\tau^g \sim z^\tau e^{-\lambda_g z^2/2}$, the twist- τ hadron bound-state solution and normalization $A_\tau^g(0) = 1$.

- The gluon GFF, $A_\tau^g(t)$ can be express in terms of the generalized Veneziano model for a spin-two current as,

$$A_\tau^g(t) = \frac{1}{N_\tau} B \left(\tau - 1, 2 - \alpha_P(t) \right) \quad (21)$$



where the Donnachie and Landshoff Regge trajectory for soft Pomeron is

$$\alpha_P(t) = \alpha_P(0) + \alpha'_P t, \quad (22)$$

with intercept $\alpha_P(0) = 1.08$ and slope $\alpha'_P = 0.25 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$.

- For large momentum transfer $-t = Q^2$, the gluon GFF reproduces the hard-scattering power behavior,

$$A_\tau(Q^2) \sim \left(\frac{1}{Q^2} \right)^{\tau-1} \quad (23)$$

- The gluon GFF $A_\tau^g(t)$ can be written in the reparametrization form,

$$A_\tau^g(t) = \frac{1}{N_\tau} \int_0^1 dx w'(x) w(x)^{1-\alpha_P(t)} [1-w(x)]^{\tau-2} \quad (24)$$

- The gluon GFF can also be expressed in terms of gluon GPDs at zero skewness

$$A_\tau^g(t) = \int_0^1 x dx H_\tau^g(x, \xi=0, t) = \int_0^1 x dx g_\tau(x) e^{t f(x)} \quad (25)$$

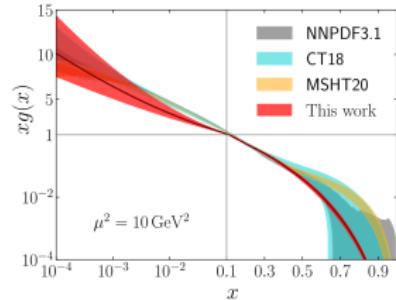
$$g_\tau(x) = \frac{1}{N_\tau} \frac{w'(x)}{x} [1-w(x)]^{\tau-2} w(x)^{1-\alpha_P(0)} \quad (26)$$

with the normalization $\int_0^1 dx x g_\tau(x) = 1$.

- The unpolarized gluon pdf, which can be obtained as,

$$g(x) = \sum_\tau c_\tau g_\tau(x)$$

$$\int_0^1 x dx \left[g(x) + \sum_q q(x) \right] = 1 \quad (27)$$



Polarized gluon distributions

- For the polarized gluon distribution one needs to replace the soft Pomeron Regge trajectory as,

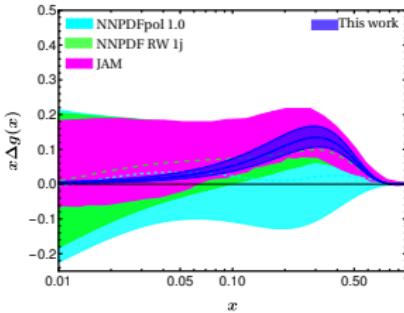
$$\tilde{\alpha}_P(t) = \tilde{\alpha}_P(0) + \alpha'_P t, \quad (28)$$

- Polarized gluon pdf for any arbitrary twist- τ can be found as,

$$\Delta g_\tau(x) = \frac{1}{N_\tau} \frac{w'(x)}{x} [1-w(x)]^{\tau-2} w(x)^{1-\tilde{\alpha}_P(0)}$$

- Gluon helicity pdf is given as,

$$\Delta g(x) = \sum_{\tau} c_{\tau} \Delta g_{\tau}(x) \quad (29)$$



- $\Delta G = \int_0^1 dx \Delta g(x) = 0.22^{+0.056}_{-0.044}$ [[B. Gurjar, C. Mondal, D. Chakrabarti, e-Print : 2209.14285 \[hep-ph\]](#)].
- $\Delta G = \int_{0.02}^{0.3} \Delta g(x) = 0.2$, with $-0.7 < \Delta G < 0.5$, [[PHENIX measurements, PRL 103, 012003\(2009\)](#)].
- $\Delta G = \int_{0.05}^{0.2} \Delta g(x) = 0.23(6)$, [[NNPDF, Nucl. Phys. B 887, 276 \(2014\)](#)].
- $\Delta G = \int_{0.05}^1 dx \Delta g(x) = 0.19(6)$, [[Marco Stratmann et al. PRL 113, 012001 \(2014\)](#)].
- $\Delta G(\mu^2 = 10 GeV^2) = 0.251(47)(16)$, [[LQCD at physical pion mass, PRL 110, 262002 \(2013\)](#)].

Gluon GPDs

- The helicity asymmetry for the gluon is given as,

$$\frac{\Delta g(x)}{g(x)} = w(x)^{\alpha_P(0)} - \bar{\alpha}_P(0) \quad (30)$$

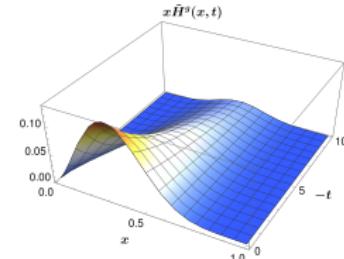
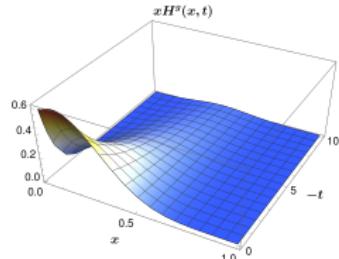
which satisfy the pQCD constraints at the endpoints, i.e.,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta g(x)}{g(x)} = 0, \quad \& \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\Delta g(x)}{g(x)} = 1. \quad (31)$$

- The unpolarized and polarized gluon GPDs at zero skewness, $\xi = 0$ can be written as,

$$\begin{aligned} H_\tau^g(x) &= g_\tau(x) e^{tf(x)} \\ \tilde{H}_\tau^g(x) &= \Delta g_\tau(x) e^{tf(x)} \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

- Both the GPDs are differ only with their collinear pdfs.



x -Dependent Squared Radius

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$$\begin{aligned} \langle b_\perp^2 \rangle^{q/g}(x) &= \frac{\int d^2 b_\perp b_\perp^2 H^{q/g}(x, b_\perp)}{\int d^2 b_\perp H^{q/g}(x, b_\perp)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda_{q/g}} \log \left(\frac{1}{w(x)} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

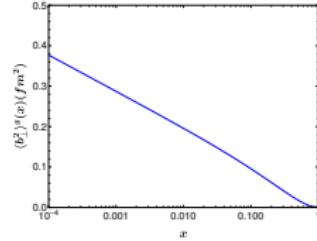
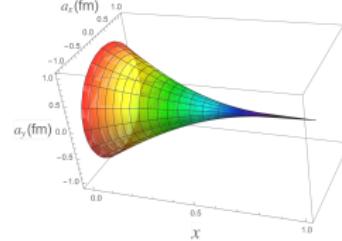
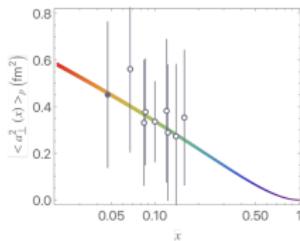
- Transverse squared radius : $b_\perp \propto 1/Q$

$$\langle b_\perp^2 \rangle^q = \sum_q e_q \int_0^1 dx f^q(x) \langle b_\perp^2 \rangle^q(x) \quad (34)$$

HLFQCD results : $\langle b_\perp^2 \rangle^q = 0.36 \text{ fm}^2$, Experimental data : $\langle b_\perp^2 \rangle^q = 0.43 \pm 0.01 \text{ fm}^2$

- Transverse squared radius :

$$\langle b_\perp^2 \rangle^g = \int_0^1 dx g(x) \langle b_\perp^2 \rangle^g(x) \simeq 0.44 \text{ fm}^2 \quad (35)$$



Conclusion

- Spin can be decomposed in several ways : (1) Frame-independent (J_i), (2) IMF (Jaffe-Manohar).
- Correspondence between HLFQCD & Veneziano model.
- Unpolarized quark pdfs \Rightarrow Polarized quark pdfs : “[By changing the linear Reggeon Regge trajectories !!](#)”
- Gluon GFFs & unpolarized pdfs for $|qqqg\rangle$.
- Unpolarized gluon pdfs \Rightarrow polarized/helicity gluon pdfs : “[By changing the linear Pomeron Regge trajectories !!](#)”
- pQCD constraints on helicity asymmetry.
- gluon GPDs and color-transparency for the quarks and gluons.

Thanks for your attention !