

QCD in Collisions with Polarized Beams

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Summary of lecture four

- ❑ PQCD factorization approach is **mature**, and has been extremely successful in predicting and interpreting high energy scattering data with **momentum transfer > 2 GeV**
- ❑ Theorists have moved **beyond the leading power/twist** approximation, including saturation phenomena
- ❑ Theory had **a lot advances** in last decade in dealing with observables with **multiple observed momentum scales**:
 - Provide new probes to “see” the confined motion: the large scale to pin down the parton d.o.f. while the small scale to probe the nonperturbative structure as well as the motion*
- ❑ Proton **spin** provides another controllable **“knob”** to help isolate various physical effects

Polarization and spin asymmetry

Explore new QCD dynamics – vary the spin orientation

□ Cross section:

Scattering amplitude square – Probability – Positive definite

$$\sigma_{AB}(Q, \vec{s}) \approx \sigma_{AB}^{(2)}(Q, \vec{s}) + \frac{Q_s}{Q} \sigma_{AB}^{(3)}(Q, \vec{s}) + \frac{Q_s^2}{Q^2} \sigma_{AB}^{(4)}(Q, \vec{s}) + \dots$$

□ Spin-averaged cross section:

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2} [\sigma(\vec{s}) + \sigma(-\vec{s})] \quad \text{– Positive definite}$$

□ Asymmetries or difference of cross sections:

– Not necessary positive!

▪ **both beams polarized** A_{LL}, A_{TT}, A_{LT}

$$A_{LL} = \frac{[\sigma(+, +) - \sigma(+, -)] - [\sigma(-, +) - \sigma(-, -)]}{[\sigma(+, +) + \sigma(+, -)] + [\sigma(-, +) + \sigma(-, -)]} \quad \text{for } \sigma(s_1, s_2)$$

▪ **one beam polarized** A_L, A_N

$$A_L = \frac{[\sigma(+)] - \sigma(-)]}{[\sigma(+)] + \sigma(-)]} \quad \text{for } \sigma(s) \quad A_N = \frac{\sigma(Q, \vec{s}_T) - \sigma(Q, -\vec{s}_T)}{\sigma(Q, \vec{s}_T) + \sigma(Q, -\vec{s}_T)}$$

Chance to see quantum interference directly

Two roles of the proton spin program

□ Proton is a composite particle:

Spin is a consequence of internal dynamics of the bound state

For example, the nucleon-nucleon interaction and shell structure determines the observed nuclear spin states

- ➔ Decomposition of proton spin in terms of quark and gluon d.o.f.
helps understand the dynamics of a fundamental QCD bound state
- Nucleon is a building block all hadronic matter
(> 95% mass of all visible matter)

□ Use the spin as a tool – asymmetries:

Cross section is a probability – classically measured

Spin asymmetry – the difference of two cross sections
involving two different spin states

Asymmetry could be a pure quantum effect!

Spin of a composite particle

□ Spin:

- ✧ Pauli (1924): two-valued quantum degree of freedom of electron
- ✧ Pauli/Dirac: $S = \hbar\sqrt{s(s+1)}$ (fundamental constant \hbar)
- ✧ Composite particle = Total angular momentum when it is at rest

□ Spin of a nucleus:

- ✧ Nuclear binding: 8 MeV/nucleon \ll mass of nucleon
- ✧ Nucleon number is fixed inside a given nucleus
- ✧ Spin of a nucleus = sum of the valence nucleon spin

□ Spin of a nucleon – Naïve Quark Model:

- ✧ If the probing energy \ll mass of constituent quark
- ✧ Nucleon is made of three constituent (valence) quark
- ✧ Spin of a nucleon = sum of the constituent quark spin

State:
$$|p \uparrow\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{18}} [u \uparrow u \downarrow d \uparrow + u \downarrow u \uparrow d \uparrow - 2u \uparrow u \uparrow d \downarrow + \text{perm.}]$$

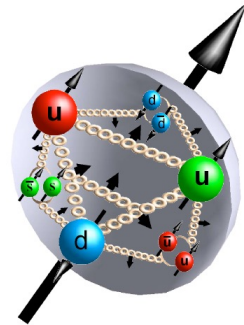
Spin:
$$S_p \equiv \langle p \uparrow | S | p \uparrow \rangle = \frac{1}{2}, \quad S = \sum_i S_i \quad \text{Carried by valence quarks}$$



Spin of a composite particle

□ Spin of a nucleon – QCD:

- ✧ Current quark mass \ll energy exchange of the collision
- ✧ Number of quarks and gluons depends on the probing energy



□ Angular momentum of a proton at rest:

$$S = \sum_f \langle P, S_z = 1/2 | \hat{J}_f^z | P, S_z = 1/2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2}$$

□ QCD Angular momentum operator:

$$J_{\text{QCD}}^i = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ijk} \int d^3x M_{\text{QCD}}^{0jk} \quad \longleftarrow \quad M_{\text{QCD}}^{\alpha\mu\nu} = T_{\text{QCD}}^{\alpha\nu} x^\mu - T_{\text{QCD}}^{\alpha\mu} x^\nu$$

Energy-momentum tensor

✧ Quark angular momentum operator:

$$\vec{J}_q = \int d^3x \left[\psi_q^\dagger \vec{\gamma} \gamma_5 \psi_q + \psi_q^\dagger (\vec{x} \times (-i\vec{D})) \psi_q \right]$$

Angular momentum density

✧ Gluon angular momentum operator:

$$\vec{J}_g = \int d^3x \left[\vec{x} \times (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) \right]$$

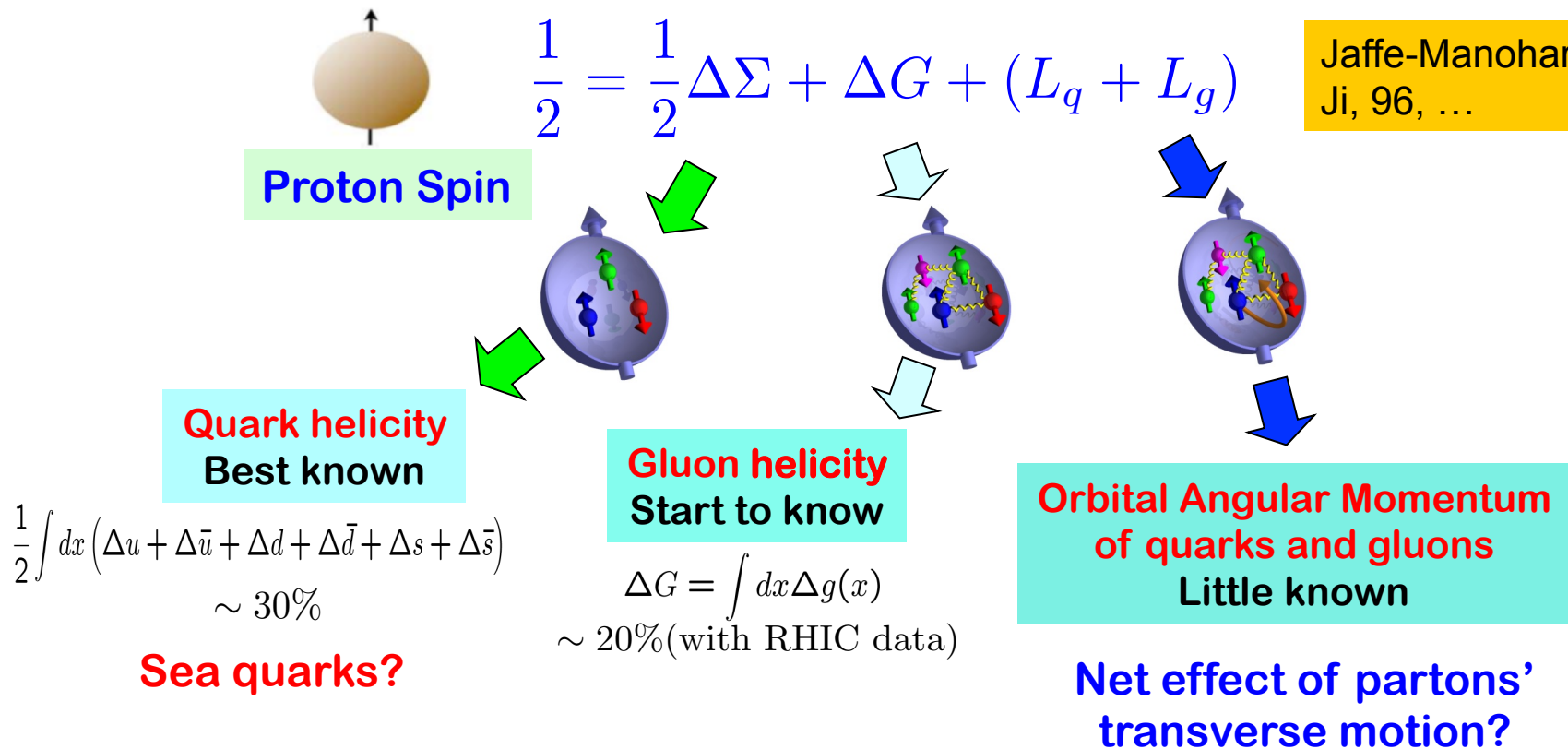
Need to have the matrix elements of these partonic operators measured independently

Current understanding for Proton Spin

□ **The sum rule:**
$$S(\mu) = \sum_f \langle P, S | \hat{J}_f^z(\mu) | P, S \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \equiv J_q(\mu) + J_g(\mu)$$

- Infinite possibilities of decompositions – connection to observables?
- Intrinsic properties + dynamical motion and interactions

□ **An incomplete story:**



Some fundamentals about spin

□ Spin in non-relativistic quantum mechanics:

✧ Spin as an intrinsic angular momentum of the particle

– three spin vector:

$$\vec{S} = (S_x, S_y, S_z)$$

– angular momentum algebra:

$$[S_i, S_j] = i\epsilon_{ijk} S_k \quad \epsilon_{123} = +1$$

→ $[S^2, S_j] = 0$

✧ S^2, S_z Have set of simultaneous eigenvectors: $|S, m\rangle$

$$S^2 |S, m\rangle = S(S+1)\hbar^2 |S, m\rangle \quad S = 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}, \dots$$

$$S_z |S, m\rangle = m\hbar |S, m\rangle \quad -S \leq m \leq S$$

✧ Spin d.o.f. are decoupled from kinematic d.o.f.

$$\Psi_{\text{Schr}}(\vec{r}) \longrightarrow \Psi_{\text{Schr}}(\vec{r}) \times \chi_m$$

where χ_m is a $(2S+1)$ – component “spinor”

Some fundamentals about spin

□ Spin-1/2:

✧ Two component spinors:

$$\chi = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

✧ Operators could be represented by Pauli-matrices:

$$\mathcal{S}_x = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{S}_y = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{S}_z = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

✧ Eigenstates to $\vec{\mathcal{S}}^2$ and \mathcal{S}_z :

$$\chi_z^\uparrow = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \chi_z^\downarrow = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

✧ Eigenvalues:

$$\mathcal{S}_z \chi_z^\uparrow = +\frac{1}{2} \chi_z^\uparrow \quad \mathcal{S}_z \chi_z^\downarrow = -\frac{1}{2} \chi_z^\downarrow$$

Particles in these states are “polarized in z-direction”

Some fundamentals about spin

□ **General superposition:**

$$\chi = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = a\chi_z^\uparrow + b\chi_z^\downarrow \quad (\chi^\dagger\chi = 1)$$

→ $\langle S_z \rangle = \chi^\dagger S_z \chi = \left(+\frac{1}{2}\right) |a|^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) |b|^2 = \frac{1}{2} [|a|^2 - |b|^2]$

✧ **Example:** $a = b = 1/\sqrt{2}$ $\chi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \langle S_z \rangle = 0$

✧ **Notice:** $\langle S_x \rangle = \chi^\dagger S_x \chi = +\frac{1}{2}$

✧ **Eigenstate to S_x :** $\chi_x^\uparrow = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\chi_z^\uparrow + \chi_z^\downarrow]$

✧ **Arbitrary direction \vec{n} with $|\vec{n}| = 1$:**

$$S_n = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{S} = n_x S_x + n_y S_y + n_z S_z = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} n_z & n_x - in_y \\ n_x + in_y & -n_z \end{pmatrix}$$

A state that is an eigenstate to this operator: “polarized in \vec{n} -direction”

\vec{n} = Polarization vector

Eigenvalues = $\pm 1/2$

Some fundamentals about spin

□ Spin in the relativistic theory:

Physics is invariant under Lorentz transformation:
boost, rotations, and translations in space and time

✧ Poincare group – 10 generators: $\mathcal{P}^\mu, \mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu}$

✧ Pure rotations: $J_i = -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} \mathcal{M}^{jk}$, pure boosts: $\mathcal{K}_i = \mathcal{M}^{i0}$

Total angular momentum: $[J_i, J_j] = i \epsilon_{ijk} J_k$

✧ Two group invariants (fundamental observables):

$$\mathcal{P}_\mu \mathcal{P}^\mu = \mathcal{P}^2 = m^2$$

$$\mathcal{W}_\mu \mathcal{W}^\mu \quad \text{where} \quad \mathcal{W}_\mu = -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \mathcal{M}^{\nu\rho} \mathcal{P}^\sigma \quad \text{Pauli-Lubanski}$$

✧ Fact: $[\mathcal{W}_\mu, \mathcal{W}_\nu] = i \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \mathcal{W}^\rho \mathcal{P}^\sigma \quad \longrightarrow \quad [\mathcal{W}^i, \mathcal{W}^j] = i m \epsilon_{ijk} \mathcal{W}^k$
If acting on states at the rest

✧ Spin: $\mathcal{S}_i \equiv \frac{1}{m} \mathcal{W}^i = J_i$

Note: $\mathcal{W}_\mu \mathcal{W}^\mu$ has eigenvalues $m^2 S(S+1)$

Some fundamentals about spin

✧ Recall: constructed eigenstates to \vec{S}^2 and $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{S}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W}_\mu \mathcal{W}^\mu |p, S\rangle &= m^2 S(S+1) |p, S\rangle & S = \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{W \cdot n}{m} |p, S\rangle &= \pm \frac{1}{2} |p, S\rangle & W^\mu = \mathcal{W}^\mu|_{\text{at rest}} \end{aligned}$$

✧ “Polarization operator”:

$$\mathcal{P} \equiv -\frac{W \cdot n}{m}$$

✧ “Covariant polarization vector”: n^μ with $n^2 = -1$, $n \cdot p = 0$

✧ For Dirac particles: $\mathcal{P} = \frac{1}{2} \gamma_5 \gamma_\mu n^\mu$ ✧ Transverse polarization:

➡ Projection operators to project out the eigenstates of \mathcal{P} :

$$\frac{1}{2} (\mathbb{1} \pm \gamma_5 \not{n})$$

✧ Longitudinal polarization: $\vec{n} = \vec{p}/|\vec{p}|$, $n^0 = 0$

➡ $\mathcal{P} = \frac{1}{2} \gamma_5 \gamma_\mu n^\mu = \frac{\vec{J} \cdot \vec{p}}{|\vec{p}|}$ with eigenvalues $\pm \frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{\vec{J} \cdot \vec{p}}{|\vec{p}|} u_\pm(p) = \pm \frac{1}{2} u_\pm(p) \equiv \frac{\lambda}{2} u_\pm(p) \rightsquigarrow \lambda \text{ “helicity”}$$

Massless particle:

$$\frac{\vec{J} \cdot \vec{p}}{|\vec{p}|} \rightarrow \gamma_5 \quad \text{helicity} = \text{chirality}$$

Some fundamentals about spin

✧ **Transverse polarization:** $n^\mu = (0, \vec{n}_\perp, 0)$ (for \vec{p} in z direction)

➡ $\mathcal{P} = \gamma_0 \vec{J} \cdot \vec{n} = \gamma_0 J_\perp \neq J_\perp$

✧ **Transversity, not “transverse spin”, has the eigenvalue:** $\pm \frac{1}{2}$

$$\gamma_0 J_\perp u_{\uparrow\downarrow}(p) = \pm \frac{1}{2} u_{\uparrow\downarrow}(p)$$

with spinors: $u_\uparrow^{(x)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [u_+ + u_-]$

Same as in non-relativistic theory

➡ **Transverse polarization, or transversity, not “transverse spin”, is invariant under the “boosts along \vec{p} ”**

✧ **Projection operator with both longitudinal and transverse components:**

$$\frac{1}{2} \not{p} \left[\mathbb{1} - s_\parallel \gamma_5 + \gamma_5 \not{s}_\perp \right] \quad \text{at high energy}$$

with $s_\parallel \sim \lambda, s_\perp \sim n_\perp$

Some fundamentals about spin

□ Back to Spin-1/2:

✧ A free spin-1/2 particle obeys Dirac equation

$$(\not{p} - m) u(p) = 0 \quad \text{where } \not{p} = \gamma_\mu p^\mu$$

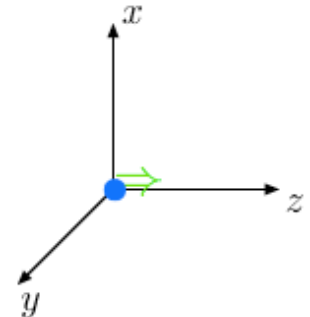
with 4-component solutions:

$$\Psi(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-i p \cdot x} u(p) & \text{positive energy} \rightarrow \text{particle} \\ e^{+i p \cdot x} v(p) & \text{negative energy} \rightarrow \text{antiparticle} \end{cases}$$

Each with “two” solutions: “spin up/down”

✧ If it is at rest,

$$u^+ = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad u^- = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



They are eigenstates to the spin operator S_z :

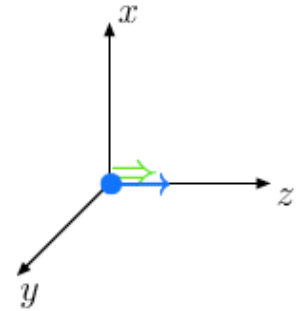
$$S_z u^\pm = \pm \frac{1}{2} u^\pm$$

“polarized in z-direction”

Some fundamentals about spin

- ✧ Boost the particle to momentum $p = (E, 0, 0, p_z)$

$$\rightarrow u^+ = N \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad u^- = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{-p_z}{E+m} \end{pmatrix}$$



- ✧ Eigenstates of the helicity operator:

$$\frac{\vec{S} \cdot \vec{p}}{|\vec{p}|} u^\pm = \pm \frac{1}{2} u^\pm$$

- ✧ Also eigenstates of the Pauli-Lubanski (polarization) operator:

$$\frac{1}{2} \gamma_5 \not{n} u^\pm = \pm \frac{1}{2} u^\pm$$

where the polarization vector $n = (p_z, 0, 0, E)/m$

- ✧ At high energy, $E \approx p_z$ also become eigenstates to chirality γ_5 :

$$\gamma_5 u^\pm = \pm \frac{1}{2} u^\pm$$

Some fundamentals about spin

□ Back to rest frame:

✧ Construct eigenstates to the spin operator \mathcal{S}_x :

$$\mathcal{S}_x u^\uparrow = +\frac{1}{2} u^\uparrow \quad \mathcal{S}_x u^\downarrow = -\frac{1}{2} u^\downarrow$$

with $u^\uparrow = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [u^+ + u^-]$ $u^\downarrow = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [u^+ - u^-]$

“polarized along x-direction”

✧ Boost the particle to momentum $p = (E, 0, 0, p_z)$

→ $u^\uparrow = \frac{N}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ -\frac{p_z}{E+m} \end{pmatrix}$ $u^\downarrow = \frac{N}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ \frac{p_z}{E+m} \end{pmatrix}$

Still has

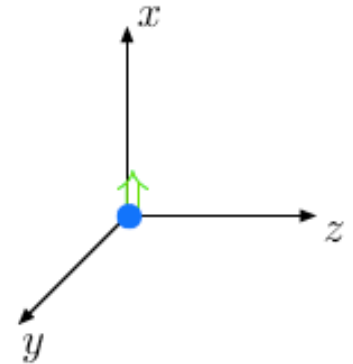
$$u^\uparrow = (u^+ + u^-)/\sqrt{2}$$

✧ Still the eigenstates of the Pauli-Lubanski (polarization) operator:

$$\frac{1}{2} \gamma_5 \not{n} u^{\uparrow\downarrow} = \pm \frac{1}{2} u^{\uparrow\downarrow} \quad \text{where } n = (0, 1, 0, 0)$$

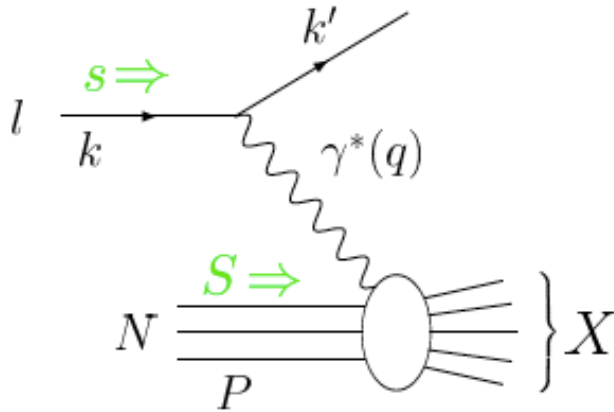
✧ But, no longer eigenstates of the transverse-spin operator:

$$\mathcal{S}_x u^\uparrow \neq +\frac{1}{2} u^\uparrow$$



Polarized deep inelastic scattering

□ DIS with polarized beam(s):



“Resolution”

$$Q \equiv \sqrt{-q^2}$$

$$\frac{\hbar}{Q} = \frac{2 \times 10^{-16} \text{m}}{Q/\text{GeV}} \lesssim 10^{-16} \text{m} = 1/10 \text{fm}$$

“Inelasticity” – known as Bjorken variable

$$x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q} = \frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + M_X^2 - m^2}$$

✧ Recall – from lecture 2:

$$W_{\mu\nu} = - \left(g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{q^2} \right) F_1(x_B, Q^2) + \frac{1}{p \cdot q} \left(p_\mu - q_\mu \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2} \right) \left(p_\nu - q_\nu \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2} \right) F_2(x_B, Q^2) \\ + iM_p \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} q_\rho \left[\frac{S_\sigma}{p \cdot q} g_1(x_B, Q^2) + \frac{(p \cdot q) S_\sigma - (S \cdot q) p_\sigma}{(p \cdot q)^2} g_2(x_B, Q^2) \right]$$

✧ Polarized structure functions:

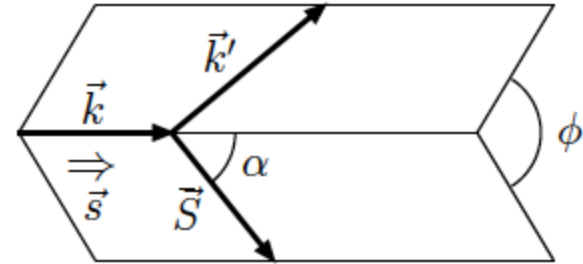
$$g_1(x_B, Q^2), g_2(x_B, Q^2)$$

Polarized deep inelastic scattering

□ Extract the polarized structure functions:

$$\mathcal{W}^{\mu\nu}(P, q, \mathbf{S}) - \mathcal{W}^{\mu\nu}(P, q, -\mathbf{S})$$

✧ Define: $\angle(\hat{k}, \hat{S}) = \alpha$,
and lepton helicity λ



✧ Difference in cross sections with hadron spin flipped

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma^{(\alpha)}}{dx dy d\phi} - \frac{d\sigma^{(\alpha+\pi)}}{dx dy d\phi} &= \frac{\lambda e^4}{4\pi^2 Q^2} \times \\ &\times \left\{ \cos \alpha \left\{ \left[1 - \frac{y}{2} - \frac{m^2 x^2 y^2}{Q^2} \right] g_1(x, Q^2) - \frac{2m^2 x^2 y}{Q^2} g_2(x, Q^2) \right\} \right. \\ &\left. - \sin \alpha \cos \phi \frac{2mx}{Q} \sqrt{\left(1 - y - \frac{m^2 x^2 y^2}{Q^2} \right)} \left(\frac{y}{2} g_1(x, Q^2) + g_2(x, Q^2) \right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

✧ Spin orientation:

$$\alpha = 0 : \Rightarrow g_1$$

$$\alpha = \pi/2 : \Rightarrow y g_1 + 2 g_2 \quad , \text{ suppressed } m/Q$$

Polarized deep inelastic scattering

□ Spin asymmetries – measured experimentally:

✧ Longitudinal polarization – $\alpha = 0$

$$A_{\parallel} = \frac{d\sigma(\rightarrow\leftarrow) - d\sigma(\rightarrow\rightarrow)}{d\sigma(\rightarrow\leftarrow) + d\sigma(\rightarrow\rightarrow)} = D(y) \frac{g_1(x, Q^2)}{F_1(x, Q^2)} \equiv D(y) A_1(x, Q^2)$$

$(y = 1 - E'/E)$

✧ So far only “fixed target” experiments:

CERN: EMC, SMC, COMPASS

SLAC: E80, E130, E142, E143, E154

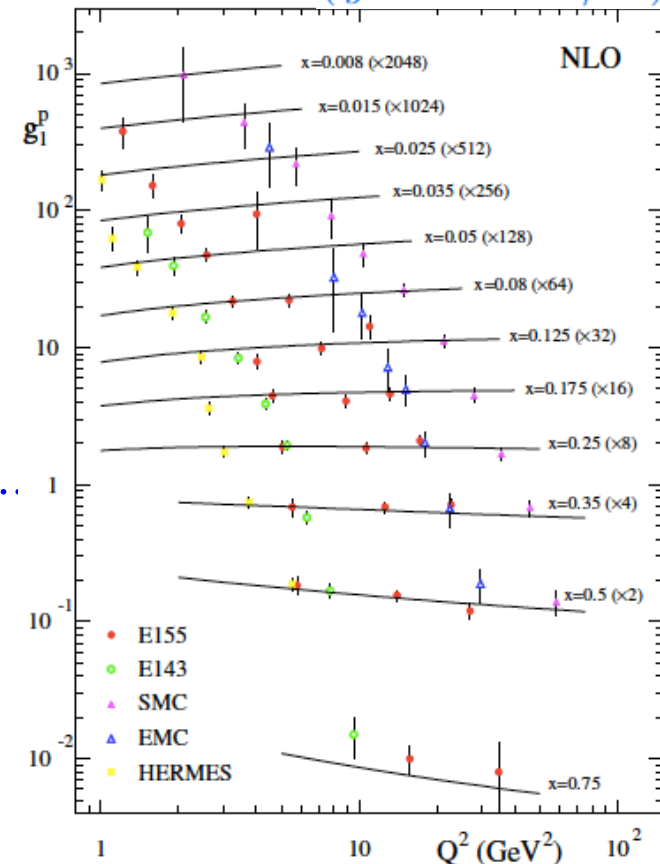
DESY: HERMES

JLab: Hall A,B,C with many experiments

with various polarized targets: p , d , ^3He , ...

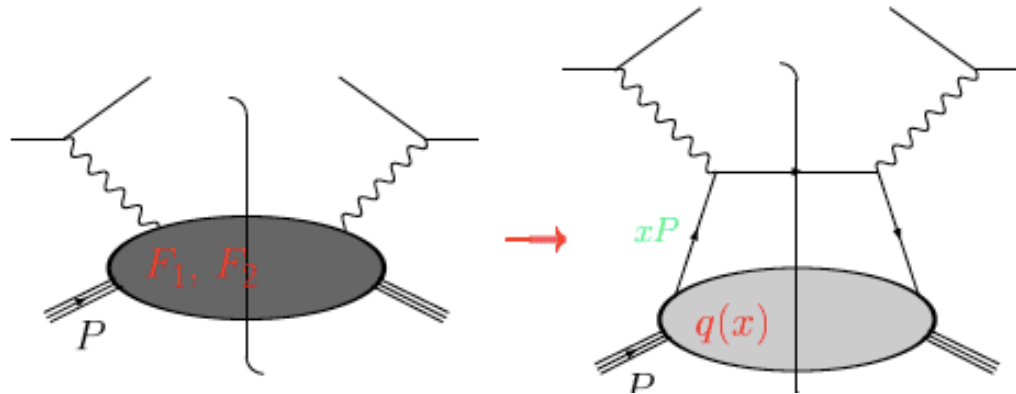
✧ Future: EIC

Known function



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□ Parton model results – LO QCD:



✧ Structure functions:

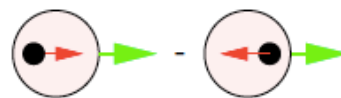
$$F_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q e_q^2 [q(x) + \bar{q}(x)]$$

$$g_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q e_q^2 [\Delta q(x) + \Delta \bar{q}(x)]$$

$$g_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{4}{9} (\Delta u + \Delta \bar{u}) + \frac{1}{9} (\Delta d + \Delta \bar{d} + \Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}) \right]$$

✧ Polarized quark distribution:

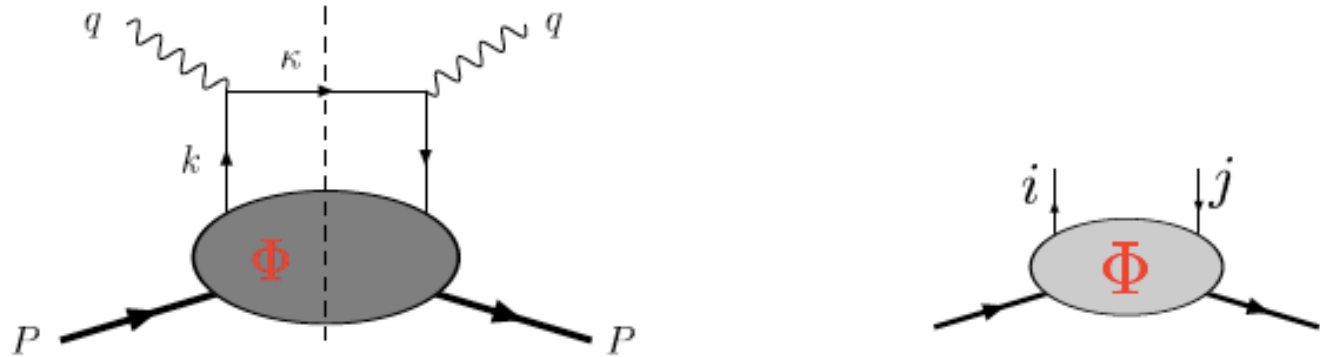
$$\Delta f(\xi) \equiv f^+(\xi) - f^-(\xi)$$



Information on nucleon's spin structure

Polarized deep inelastic scattering

□ Systematics polarized PDFs – LO QCD:



✧ Two-quark correlator:

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{ij}(k, P, S) &= \sum_X \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{P}_X}{(2\pi)^3 2E_X} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(P - k - P_X) \langle PS | \bar{\psi}_j(0) | X \rangle \langle X | \psi_i(0) | PS \rangle \\ &= \int d^4z e^{ik \cdot z} \langle PS | \bar{\psi}_j(0) \psi_i(z) | PS \rangle\end{aligned}$$

✧ Hadronic tensor (one-flavor):

$$\mathcal{W}^{\mu\nu} = e^2 \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \delta((k+q)^2) \text{Tr}[\Phi \gamma^\mu (\not{k} + \not{q}) \gamma^\nu]$$

Polarized deep inelastic scattering

□ Collinear expansion – PM kinematics:

- proton momentum : $P = (p, 0, 0, p)$,
- parton : $k^\mu \sim \xi P^\mu$
- virtual photon : $q^\mu = (P \cdot q) n^\mu - \xi P^\mu$
where $n = (1, 0, 0, -1)$

✧ Light-cone frame:

$$P^+ = p, k^+ = \xi p, P^- = k^- = 0, n^+ = 0, n^- = 1$$

✧ On-shell condition:

$$\delta((k + q)^2) = \frac{1}{2P \cdot q} \delta(x - \xi) = \frac{1}{2P \cdot q} \delta\left(x - \frac{k^+}{P^+}\right)$$

✧ Approximated hadronic tensor:

$$\mathcal{W}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{e^2}{2} \underbrace{\int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \delta\left(x - \frac{k^+}{P^+}\right)}_{\equiv \phi(x)} \text{Tr}[\Phi \gamma^\mu \not{k} \gamma^\nu]$$

Polarized deep inelastic scattering

✧ General expansion of $\phi(x)$:

must have general expansion in terms of P , \not{n} , \not{s} etc.

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{2} [q(x)\gamma \cdot P + s_{\parallel}\Delta q(x)\gamma_5\gamma \cdot P + \delta q(x)\gamma \cdot P\gamma_5\gamma \cdot S_{\perp}]$$

✧ 3-leading power quark parton distribution:

$$q(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int dz^- e^{iz^-xP^+} \langle P, S | \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^+ \psi(0, z^-, \mathbf{0}_{\perp}) | P, S \rangle$$

$$\Delta q(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int dz^- e^{iz^-xP^+} \langle P, S | \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^+ \gamma_5 \psi(0, z^-, \mathbf{0}_{\perp}) | P, S \rangle$$

$$\delta q(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int dz^- e^{iz^-xP^+} \langle P, S | \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^+ \gamma_{\perp} \gamma_5 \psi(0, z^-, \mathbf{0}_{\perp}) | P, S \rangle$$

“unpolarized” – “longitudinally polarized” – “transversity”

Polarized deep inelastic scattering

□ Physical interpretation:

$$q(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_X \delta(P_X^+ - (1-x)P^+) \\ \times \left[\left| \langle X | \mathcal{P}^+ \psi_+(0) | P, \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \rangle \right|^2 + \left| \langle X | \mathcal{P}^- \psi_+(0) | P, \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \rangle \right|^2 \right]$$

$$\Delta q(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_X \delta(P_X^+ - (1-x)P^+) \\ \times \left[\left| \langle X | \mathcal{P}^+ \psi_+(0) | P, \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \rangle \right|^2 - \left| \langle X | \mathcal{P}^- \psi_+(0) | P, \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \rangle \right|^2 \right]$$

$$\delta q(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_X \delta(P_X^+ - (1-x)P^+) \\ \times \left[\left| \langle X | \mathcal{P}^\uparrow \psi_+(0) | P, S_\perp = \frac{1}{2} \rangle \right|^2 - \left| \langle X | \mathcal{P}^\downarrow \psi_+(0) | P, S_\perp = \frac{1}{2} \rangle \right|^2 \right]$$

Spin projection: $\mathcal{P}^\pm \equiv \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2}$ and $\mathcal{P}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \equiv \frac{1 \pm \gamma_\perp \gamma_5}{2}$

Basics for spin observables

□ Factorized cross section:

$$\sigma_{h(p)}(Q, s) \propto \langle p, \vec{s} | \mathcal{O}(\psi, A^\mu) | p, \vec{s} \rangle$$

$$\text{e.g. } \mathcal{O}(\psi, A^\mu) = \bar{\psi}(0) \hat{\Gamma} \psi(y^-) \quad \text{with } \hat{\Gamma} = I, \gamma_5, \gamma^\mu, \gamma_5 \gamma^\mu, \sigma^{\mu\nu}$$

□ Parity and Time-reversal invariance:

$$\langle p, \vec{s} | \mathcal{O}(\psi, A^\mu) | p, \vec{s} \rangle = \langle p, -\vec{s} | \mathcal{PT} \mathcal{O}^\dagger(\psi, A^\mu) \mathcal{T}^{-1} \mathcal{P}^{-1} | p, -\vec{s} \rangle$$

$$\square \text{ IF: } \langle p, -\vec{s} | \mathcal{PT} \mathcal{O}^\dagger(\psi, A^\mu) \mathcal{T}^{-1} \mathcal{P}^{-1} | p, -\vec{s} \rangle = \pm \langle p, -\vec{s} | \mathcal{O}(\psi, A^\mu) | p, -\vec{s} \rangle$$

$$\text{or } \langle p, \vec{s} | \mathcal{O}(\psi, A^\mu) | p, \vec{s} \rangle = \pm \langle p, -\vec{s} | \mathcal{O}(\psi, A^\mu) | p, -\vec{s} \rangle$$

Operators lead to the “+” sign \rightarrow spin-averaged cross sections

Operators lead to the “-” sign \rightarrow spin asymmetries

□ Example:

$$\mathcal{O}(\psi, A^\mu) = \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^+ \psi(y^-) \Rightarrow q(x)$$

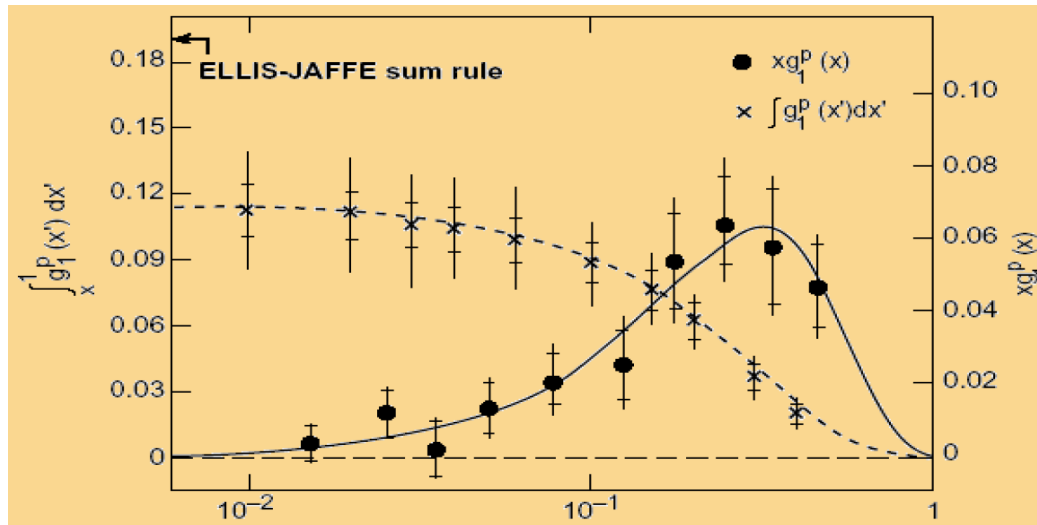
$$\mathcal{O}(\psi, A^\mu) = \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^+ \gamma_5 \psi(y^-) \Rightarrow \Delta q(x)$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\psi, A^\mu) = \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^+ \gamma^\perp \gamma_5 \psi(y^-) \Rightarrow \delta q(x) \rightarrow h(x)$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\psi, A^\mu) = \frac{1}{xp^+} F^{+\alpha}(0) [-i\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}] F^{+\beta}(y^-) \Rightarrow \Delta g(x)$$

Proton “spin crisis” – excited the field

□ EMC (European Muon Collaboration '87) – “the Plot”:



$$g_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q e_q^2 [\Delta q(x) + \Delta \bar{q}(x)] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s) + \mathcal{O}(1/Q)$$

✧ Combined with earlier SLAC data:

$$\int_0^1 g_1^p(x) dx = 0.126 \pm 0.018$$

✧ Combined with: $g_A^3 = \Delta u - \Delta d$ and $g_A^8 = \Delta u + \Delta d - 2\Delta s$

from low energy neutron & hyperon β decay

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$$\Delta\Sigma = \sum_q [\Delta q + \Delta \bar{q}] = 0.12 \pm 0.17$$

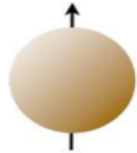
□ “Spin crisis” or puzzle:

- ✧ Strange sea polarization is sizable & negative
- ✧ Very little of the proton spin is carried by quarks

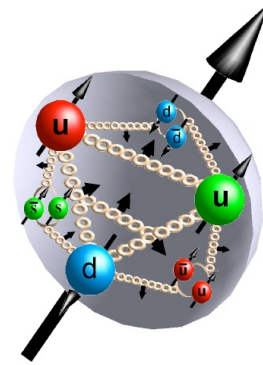
➡ *New era of spin physics*

Summary of lecture five

- Key for a good proton spin decomposition – sum rule:



$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + (L_q + L_g)$$



- ✧ Every term can be related to a physical observable with controllable approximation – “independently measurable”

DIS scheme is ok for F2, but, less effective for other observables

Additional symmetry constraints, leading to “better” decomposition?

- ✧ Natural physical interpretation for each term – “hadron structure”
 - ✧ Hopefully, calculable in lattice QCD – “numbers w/o distributions”
- Since the “spin crisis” in the 80th, we have learned a lot about proton spin – there is a need for orbital contribution

Thank you!

Backup slides

QCD and hadrons