Fundamental measurements of the proton's sub-structure using high-energy polarized p-p collisions

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What makes up the world around us?



Data from Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe (WMAP) satellite - Full-sky observation of cosmic microwave background (CMB): D.N. Spergel et al., Astrophys. J. Suppl. 170 (2007) 377.

4.4% : Visible matter 21.4% : Dark matter 74.2% : Dark energy Bernd Surrow

Force carriers (Fields) and matter constituents within the Standard Model



BOSONS force carriers spin = 0, 1, 2,							
Unified Electroweak spin = 1				Strong (color) spin = 1			
Name	Mass GeV/c ²	Electric charge		Name	Mass GeV/c ²	Electric charge	
γ photon	0	0		g gluon	0	0	
W-	80.4	-1					
W+	80.4	+1					
Z ⁰	91.187	0					

FERMIONS matter constituents spin = 1/2, 3/2, 5/2,							
Leptor	15 spin	= 1/2	Quar	Quarks spin = 1/2			
Flavor	Mass GeV/c ²	Electric charge	Flavor	Approx. Mass GeV/c ²	Electric charge		
$\nu_{e} \stackrel{electron}{}_{neutrino}$	<1×10 ⁻⁸	0	U up	0.003	2/3		
e electron	0.000511	-1	d down	0.006	-1/3		
ν_{μ} muon neutrino	<0.0002	0	C charm	1.3	2/3		
$oldsymbol{\mu}$ muon	0.106	-1	S strange	0.1	-1/3		
$ u_{ au}^{ ext{ tau }}_{ ext{ neutrino }}$	<0.02	0	t top	175	2/3		
$oldsymbol{ au}$ tau	1.7771	-1	b bottom	4.3	-1/3		

Proton mass: ~ 1GeV
0 m_u ~ 3MeV
0 m_d ~ 6MeV
0 m_g = 0
0 Proton mass arises predominantly

from interactions /

energy

Proton spin: 1/2

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Strong Interactions



Visible Universe Consists of....:





(D. Leinweber: Action (~energy) density fluctuations of gluon-fields in QCD vacuum)



Protons & Neutrons

3 valence quarks +...

Silent Partners:

Virtual quark-antiquark pairs (QCD sea) ($\Delta E \Delta t \sim h$)

Gluons!

Mass in QCD

• Quote from Nobel prize lecture in physics, 2004, given by Frank Wilczek:

Stated as $m=E/c^2$: Possibility of explaining mass in terms of energy.

Einstein's original paper does not contain the equation E=mc², but rather m=E/c²: "Does the Inertia of a Body Depend Upon its Energy Content? "(A. Einstein, Annalen der Physik, 18 (1905) 639.)"

Modern QCD answers Einstein's question with a resounding "Yes!". Indeed, the mass of ordinary matter derives almost entirely from energy - the energy of massless gluons and nearly massless quarks, which are the ingredients from which protons, neutrons, and atomic nuclei are made.



□ Spin in QCD



- Traditional way to introduce spin in QM textbooks:
 Stern-Gerlach experiment (1922)
- Concept of spin: Long and tedious battle to understand splitting patterns and separations in line spectra
- Anomalous magnetic moment of proton by Stern et al.
 (1933)





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Spin in everyday life





Proton spins are used to image the structure and function of the human body using the technique of Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

Paul C. Lauterbur

Sir Peter Mansfield





Outline





Theoretical foundation



- Quantum Chromodynamics Basics
 - Interactions arise from fundamental symmetry principles: SU(3)_c
 - Visible universe (e.g. proton): Emergent through complex structure of the vacuum (e.g formation of hadrons from quarks/gluons)

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \bar{q} \left(i D_{\mu} \gamma^{\mu} + m \right) q - \frac{1}{4} T r F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

- Atoms, molecules,...:
 - Interactions decrease at longer distances
 - O Constituents can be removed
 - Most of mass from fermion constituents

• Nucleons:

- Interactions decrease at shorter distances (Asymptotic freedom)
- Quarks are confined (Confinement)
- Most of mass generated by interactions (~99%)





Bob Jaffe

"The decomposition of the proton spin into contributions from spin and orbital motion of quarks and gluons is well defined and probes interesting features of confinement - It is

a world-class problem!"



Exploring the proton spin structure and dynamics



Structure and dynamics of proton (mass) (\rightarrow visible universe) originates from QCD-interactions!

What about spin as another fundamental quantum number?

Synergy of experimental progress and theory (Lattice QCD /

Phenomenology incl. phenomenological fits / Modeling) is critical!

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How do we probe the structure and dynamics of matter in ep / pp scattering?



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Picture of the proton from polarized ep scattering



attering • Spin sum rule: $\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma$ $\frac{1}{2} = \langle S_q \rangle + \langle S_g \rangle + \langle L_q \rangle + \langle L_g \rangle$ $\frac{1}{2} = \langle S_q \rangle + \langle S_g \rangle + \langle L_q \rangle + \langle L_g \rangle$ (R.L. Jaffe and A. Manohar, Nucl. Phys. B337, 509 (1990))

$$\Delta \Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta \bar{u} + \Delta d + \Delta \bar{d} + \Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}$$

$$\Delta q_i(Q^2) = \int_0^1 \Delta q_i(x, Q^2) dx \qquad \Delta G(Q^2) = \int_0^1 \Delta g(x, Q^2) dx$$

Current status:

- Data only from fixed-target experiments (Limited reach in x and Q²) mostly at lower energy
- □ Quark spin contribution is small (~25%):

 $\Delta \Sigma = 0.242 \ (Q^2 = 10 \,\mathrm{GeV}^2)$

(D. deFlorian et al., Phys. Rev. D80, 034030 (2009))

Gluon spin contribution unconstrained so far!

- New scheme to explore proton spin structure: High-energy polarized p+p collisions
 - Observable: Quark/Anti-quark polarization (W production)
 - Longitudinal single-spin

asymmetry A_L

 $A_L = \frac{\sigma_+ - \sigma_-}{\sigma_+ + \sigma_-}$

- Parity (Spatial inversion) violating for W production!
- Observable: Gluon polarization (Jet/Hadron production)
 - Double longitudinal single-spin
 asymmetry A_{LL}

$$A_{LL} = \frac{\sigma_{++} - \sigma_{+-}}{\sigma_{++} + \sigma_{+-}}$$

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Experimental aspects - RHIC

The world's first polarized proton-proton collider



Experimental aspects - RHIC

Polarized p-p collisions

First collisions of polarized proton beams at
 √s=500GeV (long. polarization) in

2009: W production

(Quark polarization)



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Experimental aspects - STAR

Overview

- Calorimetry system with 0 2π coverage: BEMC $(-1 < \eta < 1)$ and EEMC $(1 < \eta < 2)$
- TPC: Tracking and particle ID

- O ZDC: Relative luminosity and local polarimetry (500GeV)
- **BBC:** Relative 0 luminosity and Minimum bias trigger

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Experimental aspects

Asymmetry measurement







- Require concurrent measurements:
 - Longitudinal beam polarization P₁₍₂₎
 at STAR IR



Relative luminosity R of bunch crossings with different spin

Direction of polarization vector

directions

Spin dependent yields of process of interest N_{ij}

Gluon measurements: Jet/Hadron production

C RHIC Gluon polarization: Inclusive measurements









Inclusive Jet production (200GeV: Solid line / 500GeV: Dashed line)



Gluon measurements: Jet/Hadron production

- RHIC Gluon polarization Correlation Measurements
- Correlation measurements provide access to partonic kinematics through Di-Jet/Hadron production and Photon-Jet production:

$$x_{1(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}} \left(p_{T_3} e^{\eta_3(-\eta_3)} + p_{T_4} e^{\eta_4(-\eta_4)} \right)$$

- Di-Jet production / Photon-Jet production
 - Di-Jets: All three (LO) QCD-type processes contribute: gg, qg and qq
 - Photon-Jet: One dominant underlying (LO) process
 - Larger cross-section for di-jet production compared to photon related measurements
 - D Photon reconstruction more challenging than jet reconstruction
 - \hfill \hfill NLO framework exists \Rightarrow Input to Global QCD analysis



Di-Jet production



Photon-Jet production

Gluon measurements: Jet/Hadron production



Recent results - Chion polarization program

STAR: Mid-rapidity Inclusive Jet 🕺 LL measurement



Recent results - Gluon polarization program

First STAR Di-Jet A_{LL} measurement





 First Di-Jet A_{LL} measurement in agreement with ∆g constrained by previous inclusive jet result, i.e. small gluon polarization preferred!

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Recent results - Gluon polarization program

□ First STAR Di-Jet A_{LL} measurement



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Quark measurement: W production

Motivation

- What mechanism allows to account for the generation of the QCD sea, i.e. quark / antiquark pairs?
- Pure perturbative QCD sea: Flavor symmetric, i.e $\bar{u} = \bar{d}$
- Non-perturbative models important invoking alternative degrees of freedom:
 - Meson-Cloud model:



 $\bar{d} > \bar{u}$

Quark sea

mesons!

from cloud of





Chiral-Quark Soliton model:

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 $\bar{d} > \bar{u}$

Quark degrees of freedom in a pion mean-field

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Quark measurement: W production

Probing the quark flavor structure using W boson production: Unique new probe



Illustration of a new measurement using W boson production in polarized proton collisions at RHIC. Collisions of polarized protons (beam entering from left) and unpolarized protons (right) result in the production of W bosons (in this case, W-). RHIC's detectors identify the particles emitted as the W bosons decay (in this case, electrons, e-) and the angles at which they emerge. The colored arrows represent different possible directions, which probe how different quark flavors (e.g., "anti-up," û; and "down," d) contribute to the proton spin.

Recent results - Quark / Anti-quark pol. program

Probing the quark flavor structure using W boson production



Measurement: Background treatment / Signal distribution



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First STAR W⁺ / W⁻ cross section measurement in pp collisions



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 $\bar{\nu}_e$

e

W

\Box First STAR A_L result (1)



$$A_L^{W^-} = 0.14 \pm 0.19 \; ({
m stat.}) \pm 0.02 \; ({
m syst.}) \pm 0.01 \; ({
m norm.})$$

 $A_L^{W^+} = -0.27 \pm 0.10 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (norm.)}$

- $A_L(W^*)$ negative with a significance of $\sim 3\sigma$
- O A_L(W⁻) central value positive
- Measured asymmetries are in agreement with theory evaluations using polarized pdf's (DSSV) constrained by polarized DIS data
 - ⇒ Universality of helicity distr. functions!



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Future - Quark / Anti-quark pol. program

Forward GEM Tracker - Layout



- Gluon polarization program
 - Several final states (Hadron / Jet) have been measured all pointing to the same conclusion that the gluon polarization is small, much smaller than the proton spin itself, in contrast to earlier theoretical - controversial - speculations
 - Run 9 results: Precise A_{LL} measurement above DSSV fit suggesting $\Delta G \sim 0.1 > 0$
- W boson program
 - First measurement of W boson production in polarized p+p collisions at RHIC in 2009
 - Installation of FGT extends W boson measurement in 2009 to forward direction
- Run 12 and future
 - Run 12: Successful trans. 200GeV (~20pb⁻¹ rec.) run and ongoing long. 500GeV run (~40pb⁻¹ rec.) for another two weeks!
 - Future: Expect and need several long 500GeV production runs beyond Run 12

Outlook

Timeline of RHIC program



Long-term: Establish a new collider facility at BNL/JLAB - Electron-Ion Collider!

Fun with SPIN



Opening of the new institute of physics at the University of Lund, Sweden, May 31, 1951

Backup

Motivation and previous measurements

- Gluons play a crucial role to account for the proton mass
- Following first EMC results (Small quark spin contribution), a scenario theoretically very controversial has been discussed with a large gluon spin contribution, much larger than the proton spin itself!
- Gluon spin contribution unstrained in previous inclusive polarized fixed-target scattering experiments





- Photon-gluon fusion process employing hadron pair production and charm production (So far, no theory framework to include in global QCD analysis)
 - Leading order (LO), model dependent analysis by SMD, COMPASS and HERMES point to small $\Delta g/g$ g around x=0.1
 - Great value of independent probe at large momentum scales to be used in full NLO global analysis

Backup

Previous measurements



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- Semi-inclusive DIS: Correlation of flavor content of hadron with flavor of quark / antiquark probed
- O Good agreement of COMPASS and HERMES LO analysis
- Good agreement with global fit analysis / Sea quark distributions compatible with zero
- Great value of independent probe at large momentum scales without hadronic fragmentation

