Spin Physics at Jefferson Lab



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The Spin Puzzle → Key Question in **Standard Model QCD**



99.9% of mass of the visible universe composed of quarks and gluons - the building blocks of the nucleon



No access to free partons due to confinement! The proton is a stable and abundant source of partons

The Question: How do quarks and gluons combine to form hadronic angular momentum quantum numbers?



Simple Quark Model

 $\Delta \Sigma = \Delta \mathbf{u} + \Delta \mathbf{d} + \Delta \mathbf{s} \qquad \Delta q = q \uparrow - q \downarrow$



 Quark spin contribution to the proton spin can be determined from the axial charges.
 The isovector axial charge (neutron decay const.) Δu - Δd = g_A = 1.257

 The octet axial charge (hyperon β-decays+SU(3)) Δu + Δd - 2Δs = 0.585 ± 0.025

 Ellis-Jaffe Sum Rule (no strange contribution) ΔΣ_{EJ} = 0.58 ± 0.025



The Spin Structure of the Proton

- From NLO-QCD analysis of DIS measurements
 - ∆Σ **≈ 0.2**
 - $\Delta G = 1.0 \pm 1.2 \rightarrow \text{probably small}?$
- **quark polarization** ∆q(x)

 → first 5-flavor separation from HERMES
- transversity δq(x)

 →a new window on quark spin
 →azimuthal asymmetries from HERMES and JLab
 →future: flavor decomposition

* gluon polarization $\Delta G(x)$

→RHIC-spin and COMPASS started providing answers!

- ★ orbital angular momentum L →how to determine?
 - → GPD's and TMD's

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



We want to solve this puzzle! \rightarrow need large range in x and Q² and high luminosity for precision!

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Total up and down distributions



Good agreement with lattice QCD

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Strange quark distributions

The integral of Δs can be extracted from the integral of g_1 using two other inputs (n decay, hyperon decay, SU(3)) $\Delta \Sigma_s < 0$

• It can also be computed from $\Delta s(x)$ measured from SIDIS data: kaon spin asymmetries, assuming FF known $\Delta \Sigma_s(x) \approx 0$

> Uncertainty in quark fragmentation functions ?
> SU(3) is broken ?



SIDIS xΔs 0.04 0.02 0 -0.02 $= 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ 10 -2 -1 10 х

Driven by SU(3)

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Total quark and anti-quark spin contribution



$\Delta G(x)$ from global QCD fits of polarized data



Jefferson Lab Experimental Halls



Hall A: two HRS'

Hall B:CLAS

Hall C: HMS+SOS

Topics Jefferson Lab Can Address

Inclusive DIS

- Spin structure functions
- Valence PDFs at high Bjorken x
- Sum Rules, OPE, higher twist
- duality
- Semi-Inclusive DIS
 - Flavor tagged SSF
 - Transversity, TMD PDFs
- Exclusive Processes
 - DVCS

- GPDs



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Experimental Hall A









Experimental Hall B





Inclusive DIS of lepton off nucleon



Virtual photon probes the structure

Important variables:

$$Q^{2} = -q^{2} = 4 EE' \sin^{2} \frac{\theta}{2}$$
$$W^{2} = M^{2} + 2Mv - Q^{2}$$
$$x = \frac{Q^{2}}{2Mv}$$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \sigma_{Mott} \left[\frac{1}{v} F_2(x,Q^2) + \frac{2}{M} F_1(x,Q^2) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right]$$
$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{\uparrow\uparrow}}{d\Omega dE'} - \frac{d^2\sigma^{\downarrow\uparrow}}{d\Omega dE'} = \frac{4\alpha^2 E'}{vEQ^2} \left[\left(E + E'\cos\theta \right) g_1(x,Q^2) - 2M g_2(x,Q^2) \right]$$

Large-x behavior of the A_1 asymmetry

Large x region dominated by valence quarks \rightarrow can test quark models

Model for $x \rightarrow 1$	A_1^p	A_1^n	d/u	∆u/u	∆d/d
SU(6)	5/9	0	1/2	2/3	-1/3
w/ hyperfine ($E_{S=0} < E_{S=1}$)	1	1	0	1	-1/3
One gluon exchange	1	1	0	1	-1/3
Suppressed symmetric WF	1	1	0	1	-1/3
S=1/2 dominance	1	1	1/14	1	1
$\sigma_{1/2}$ dominance	1	1	1/5	1	1
pQCD (conserved helicity)	1	1	1/5	1	1





Large-x behavior of the A_1 asymmetry

Hall A, neutron

Hall B, proton



A_1 at large x : Future





Quark polarization in the valence region



Effect of JLAB data on NLO fits of PDFs



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The spin structure function g_2

$$g_{2}(x,Q^{2}) = g_{2}^{WW}(x,Q^{2}) + \overline{g}_{2}(x,Q^{2})$$
$$= -g_{1}(x,Q^{2}) + \int_{x}^{1} \frac{dx'}{x'} g_{1}(x',Q^{2}) - \int_{x}^{1} \frac{dx'}{x'} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \left[\frac{m}{M} h_{T}(x',Q^{2}) + \xi(x',Q^{2}) \right]$$



Quark-Hadron Duality

SFs averaged over (part of) resonance region ≈ DIS SFs



Quark-Hadron Duality in g_1



g₁

0,15

0.1

0.05

-0.05

0

0.2

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0.4

0.3





Sum Rules



-0.03 ^L 10 ⁻²

 10^{-1}

 $Q^2(GeV^2)$

Extends to very low Q^2 of 0.015 GeV² both proton and deuteron

Towards the 3 dimensional picture..



Hard exclusive and semi-inclusive measurements provide complementary information about the transverse structure of the nucleon

TMDs measured in SIDIS

In the collinear approximation:

$$\vec{P} \longrightarrow \vec{p} = x\vec{P}$$

Parton transverse momentum







Measure A_{UL}, A_{LU}, A_{LL}
Different hadron species
Spin-momentum correlations (Sivers function, Boer-Mulders function, "pretzelosity")
New fragmentation functions (Collins)

Hall B: SIDIS asymmetries with longitudinally polarized NH₃ and ND₃ targets (preliminary results)







Hall A: Target Single-Spin Asymmetry in SIDIS Reaction on a Transversely Polarized 3He Target

$$egin{aligned} &A_{UT}(\phi_h^l,\phi_S^l)=rac{N^{\uparrow}-N^{\downarrow}}{N^{\uparrow}+N^{\downarrow}}\ &A_{UT}^{Collins} \propto igl\langle \sinigl(arphi_h+arphi_sigr)igr
angle_{UT} \propto h_1 \otimes H_1^{\perp}\ &A_{UT}^{Sivers} \propto igl(\sinigl(arphi_h-arphi_sigr)igre)_{UT} \propto f_{1T}^{\perp} \otimes D_1 \end{aligned}$$





Collins: asymmetries are not large, except at x=0.34

Silvers:

 $\pi^{\scriptscriptstyle -}$ is consistent with zero; however, $\pi^{\scriptscriptstyle +}$ favor negative values



GPDs through DVCS and DVMP



DVCS:

- the clearest way to access the GPDs
- Only γ_T photons participate in DVCS
- Interference with BH process

DVMP:

- Factorization proven only for $\sigma_L = \sigma_T / \sigma_L \sim 1/Q^2$
- Meson distribution amplitude
- Gluon exchange required
- Vector and pseudoscalar meson production allows to separate flavor and separate the helicity-dependent GPDs form helicity independent.



Constraints on J_u and J_d



Helicity-dependent Jlab Hall-A neutron and HERMES transversity polarized proton data constrain in *a model dependent way* on the total up and down quark contributions to the proton spin.

$$J_{q} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma_{q} + L_{q} = \frac{1}{2}\int_{-1}^{1} x[H_{q}(x,\xi,t=0) + E_{q}(x,\xi,t=0)]dx$$

6 GeV Experimental Results

Hall A: Proton DVCS, helicity dependent and independent cross sections were measured at Q2=(1.5, 1.9,2.3) GeV², -t=(0.17, 0.23, 0.28, 0.33) GeV², x_B =0.36 Neutron DVCS, helicity dependent cross section on deuterium

Hall B: Proton and deuterium DVCS and DVMP, helicity dependent and independent



Future of GPD measurements at 12 GeV

CLAS12: A comprehensive map



Hall A: Detailed Precision Measurements



Plus:

Asymmetries with respect to beam helicity, target polarization (longitudinal and transverse), and beam charge (potential for positron source) ⇒ Constrain all 4 GPDs

Conclusions

 Jefferson Lab has produced a multitude of precision data on polarized structure functions, PDFs , GPDs, and TMDs, moments, higher twist and duality..

•Study of the spin-structure of the nucleon is one of the main driving forces behind the upgrade of Jefferson Lab

• Jefferson Lab at 12 GeV will complete the 3-dimensional quark picture of the nucleon for x > 0.1

Extra slides

Status of $g_1(x,Q^2)$

$$g_1^{\text{NLO}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{Q}^2) = g_1^{\text{LO}} + \frac{1}{2} \left\langle e^2 \right\rangle \sum_{q} e_q^2 \left[\Delta q(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{Q}^2) \otimes C_q + \Delta g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{Q}^2) \otimes C_g \right]$$

- Data mostly for DIS and low :
- Remains to be done:
 - AG (RHIC, COMPASS)
 - ∆L (DVCS: COMPASS, HERMES,Jlab)
 - Transversity(HERMES, Jlab, RHIC)
 - Large x precision measurements (Jlab)
 - Measurement in non-perturbative region (Jlab)



 $A_1 - P_T$ dependence @ 12 GeV



 $A_1 P_T$ -dependence provides access to helicity dependence of k_T -distributions of quarks Deuteron and hydrogen data required for P_T -dependent flavor decomposition.

Boer-Mulders asymmetry @ CLAS12





Virtual photon couples to quarks of opposite helicity

$$\Gamma_1(Q^2) = \int_0^I g_1(x,Q^2) dx$$

Semi-inclusive DIS:



The CLAS Detector



H. Avakian, Trento, June 10

Quark-Hadron Duality in g_1

Valid for spin structure functions? Not so obvious - can change in sign:

$$A_1^{DIS}(x \to 1) \to 1$$
$$A_1^{\Delta}(\log Q^2) \approx -\frac{1}{2} \quad \left(\sigma_{\frac{3}{2}} > \sigma_{\frac{1}{2}}\right)$$





Existing Data from CLAS

