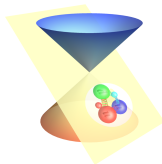


GLUE AND SEA INSIDE THE PROTON FROM A LIGHT-FRONT HAMILTONIAN



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Workshop on probing hadron structure at EIC

Overview



Introduction

Basis Light-Front Quantization (BLFQ) to

$$\text{Proton : } (|qqq\rangle + |qqqg\rangle)$$

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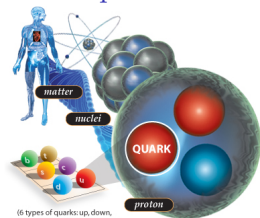
Conclusions

(PRD 108 094002 (2023), PLB 847 138305 (2023), work in progress)

(Satvir Kaur : Valence quark and gluon TMDs of spin-1 QCD system)

Fundamental Properties: Mass and Spin

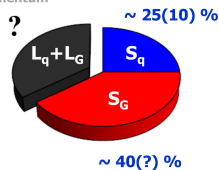
- About 99% of the visible mass is contained within nuclei
- Nucleon: composite particles, built from nearly massless quarks ($\sim 1\%$ of the nucleon mass) and gluons
- *How does 99% of the nucleon mass emerge?*
- Quantitative decomposition of *nucleon spin* in terms of quark and gluon degrees of freedom is not yet fully understood.
- *To address these fundamental issues*
→ *nature of the subatomic force between quarks and gluons, and the internal landscape of nucleons.*



(6 types of quarks: up, down, charm, strange, top and bottom)



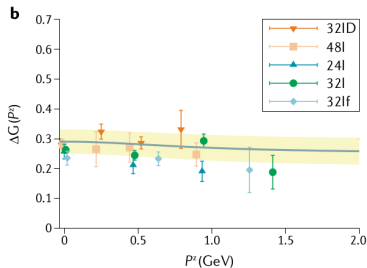
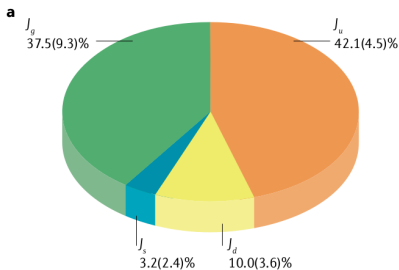
Orbital angular momentum



¹ Pictures (top to bottom) adopted from A. Signori, J. Qiu, C. Lorce



Spin sum rule	Formula	Terms	Characteristics
Frame independent (Ji) ³⁰	$\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + L_q^z + J_g = \frac{\hbar}{2}$	$\Delta\Sigma/2$ is the quark helicity L_q^z is the quark OAM J_g is the gluon contribution	The quark and gluon contributions, J_q and J_g , can be obtained from the GPD moments. A similar sum rule also works for the transverse angular momentum and has a simple parton interpretation
Infinite-momentum frame (Jaffe–Manohar) ³¹	$\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + \ell_q + \ell_g = \frac{\hbar}{2}$	ΔG is the gluon helicity ℓ_q and ℓ_g are the quark and gluon canonical OAM, respectively	All terms have partonic interpretations; ℓ_q and ℓ_g are twist-three quantities. ΔG is measurable in experiments, including the RHIC spin and the EIC; ℓ_q and ℓ_g can be extracted from twist-three GPDs



¹ X. Ji, F. Yuan and Y. Zhao, Nature Reviews Physics 3, 65 (2021)

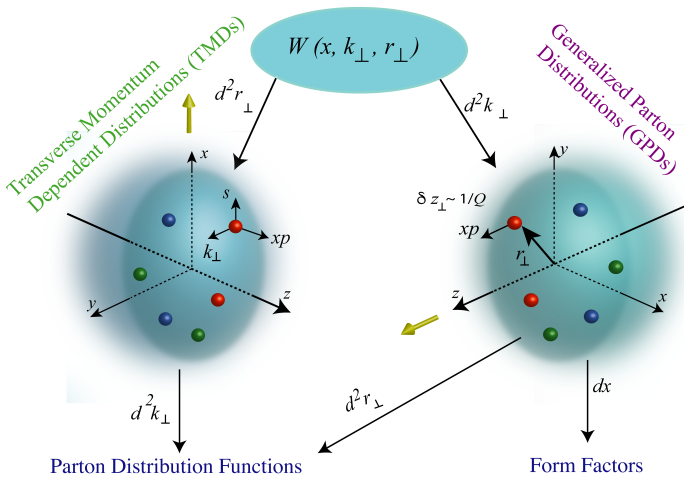
² Y.-B. Yang, R.S. Sufian, A. Alexandru et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, 102001 (2017)

³ Aidala's, Hatta's, Mathur's... talks,



Hadron tomography

Wigner Distributions



- $x \rightarrow$ longitudinal momentum fraction; $k_{\perp} \rightarrow$ parton transverse momentum; $r_{\perp} \rightarrow$ transverse distance from the center.

Basis Light-Front Quantization (BLFQ)

A computational framework for solving relativistic many-body bound state problems in quantum field theories

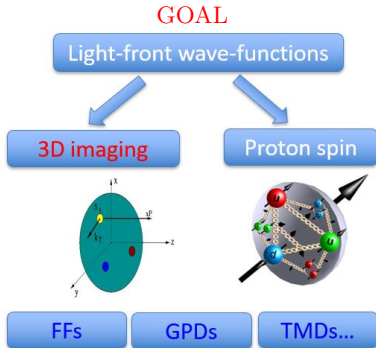


$$P^- P^+ |\Psi\rangle = M^2 |\Psi\rangle$$

- $P^- \equiv P^0 - P^3$: light-front Hamiltonian
- $P^+ \equiv P^0 + P^3$: longitudinal momentum
- $|\Psi\rangle$ mass eigenstate
- M^2 : mass squared eigenvalue for eigenstate $|\Psi\rangle$
- First-principle / effective Hamiltonian as input
- Evaluate observables

$$O \sim \langle \Psi | \hat{O} | \Psi \rangle$$

- direct access to light-front wavefunction of bound states



¹Vary, Honkanen, Li, Maris, Brodsky, Harindranath, *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 81, 035205 (2010).



- Fock expansion of baryonic bound states:

$$|\text{Proton}\rangle = \psi_{(3q)}|qqq\rangle + \psi_{(3q+1g)}|qqqg\rangle + \psi_{(3q+q\bar{q})}|qqqq\bar{q}\rangle + \dots,$$

Solution proposed by BLFQ

Discrete basis and their direct product

Truncation

2D HO $\phi_{nm}(p^\perp)$ in the transverse plane

$$\sum_i (2n_i + |m_i| + 1) \leq N_{\max}$$

Plane-wave in the longitudinal direction

$$\sum_i k_i = K, \quad x_i = \frac{k_i}{K}$$

Light-front helicity state for spin d.o.f.

$$\sum_i (m_i + \lambda_i) = M_J$$

$$\alpha_i = (k_i, n_i, m_i, \lambda_i)$$

Fock sector truncation

$$|\alpha\rangle = \otimes_i |\alpha_i\rangle$$

Large N_{\max} and $K \rightarrow$ High UV cutoff & low IR cutoff

- Exact factorization between center-of-mass motion and intrinsic motion

¹Vary, Honkanen, Li, Maris, Brodsky, Harindranath, *et. al.*, Phys. Rev. C 81, 035205 (2010).

Nucleon within BLFQ



- The LF eigenvalue equation: $H_{\text{eff}}|\Psi\rangle = M^2|\Psi\rangle$

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \sum_a \frac{\vec{p}_{\perp a}^2 + m_a^2}{x_a} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a \neq b} \kappa^4 \left[x_a x_b (\vec{r}_{\perp a} - \vec{r}_{\perp b})^2 - \frac{\partial_{x_a} (x_a x_b \partial_{x_b})}{(m_a + m_b)^2} \right]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a \neq b} \frac{C_F 4\pi\alpha_s}{Q_{ab}^2} \bar{u}_{s'_a}(k'_a) \gamma^\mu u_{s_a}(k_a) \bar{u}_{s'_b}(k'_b) \gamma^\nu u_{s_b}(k_b) g_{\mu\nu}$$

Publications:

- Mondal et al., Phys. Rev. D 102, 016008 (2020) : **Form Factors, PDFs,...**
- Xu et al., Phys. Rev. D 104, 094036 (2021) : **Nucleon structure,...**
- Liu et al., Phys. Rev. D 105, 094018 (2022) : **Angular Momentum,...**
- Hu et al., Phys. Lett. B 2022, 137360 (2022) : **TMDs,...**
- Peng et al., Phys. Rev. D 106, 114040 (2022) : **Λ and Λ_c PDFs,...**
- Zhu et al., Phys. Rev. D 108, 036009 (2023) : **Λ and Λ_c TMDs,...**
- Kaur et al., Phys. Rev. D 109, 014015 (2024) : **Chiral-odd GPDs,...**
- Zhang et al., Phys. Rev. D ??? (2024) : **Twist-3 GPDs...**
- Nair et al., coming soon : **GFFs,...**
- Peng et al., coming soon : **Double parton correlations,...**

Proton with One Dynamical Gluon



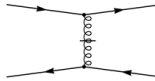
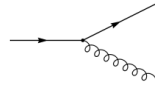
$$P^+ P^- |\Psi\rangle = M^2 |\Psi\rangle$$

$$|\text{proton}\rangle = \psi_{uud} |uud\rangle + \psi_{uudg} |uudg\rangle$$

QCD Interaction:

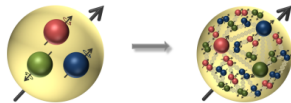
$$P^- = P_{\text{QCD}}^- + P_C^-$$

$$P_{\text{QCD}}^- = \int dx^- d^2x^\perp \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ \frac{m_0^2 + (i\partial^\perp)^2}{i\partial^+} \psi \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2} A_a^i [m_g^2 + (i\partial^\perp)^2] A_a^i + g_s \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu T^a A_a^\mu \psi \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} g_s^2 \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ T^a \psi \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ T^a \psi \right\},$$



Confinement only in leading Fock:

$$P_C^- P^+ = \frac{\kappa^4}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \left\{ \vec{r}_{ij\perp}^2 - \frac{\partial_{x_i}(x_i x_j \partial_{x_j})}{(m_i + m_j)^2} \right\}$$



Parameters:

Truncation: Nmax=9, K=16.5

HO parameters: b=0.7GeV, b_{inst}=3GeV

m_u	m_d	m_g	κ	m_f	g
0.31GeV	0.25GeV	0.50GeV	0.54GeV	1.80GeV	2.40

¹ S. Xu, CM, X. Zhao, Y. Li, J. P. Vary, Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023) 094002.

² Brodsky, Teramond, Dosch and Erlich, Phys. Rep. 584, 1 (2015).

³ Li, Maris, Zhao and Vary, Phys. Lett. B (2016).

Proton with One Dynamical Gluon

Fock expansion:

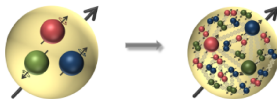
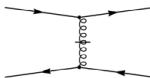
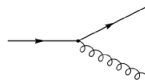
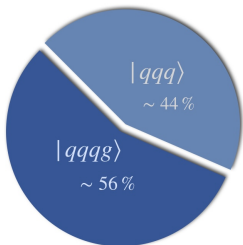
$$|\text{Proton}\rangle = a | uud\rangle + b | uudg\rangle + \dots$$

Light-front effective Hamiltonian :

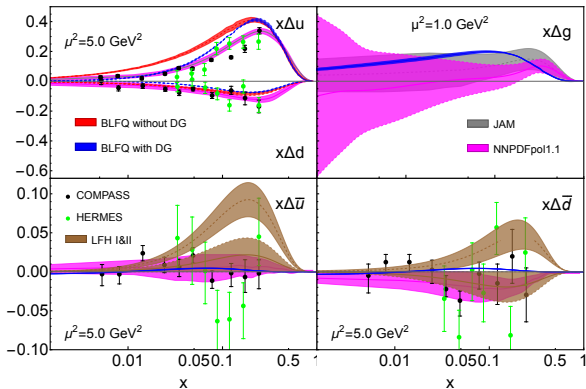
$$H_{\text{eff}} = \sum_a \frac{\vec{p}_{\perp a}^2 + m_a^2}{x_a} + H_{\text{confinement}} + H_{\text{vertex}} + H_{\text{inst}}$$



Fock Sector Decomposition



¹S. Xu, CM, X. Zhao, Y. Li, J. P. Vary, Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023) 094002.

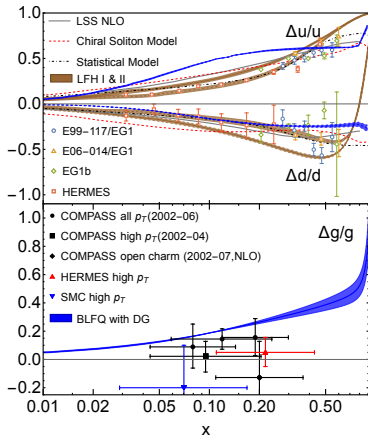
Helicity PDFs BLFQ: PRD 108 (2023) 094002

- **Quark spin:** $\frac{1}{2}\Sigma_u = 0.438 \pm 0.004$, $\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma_d = -0.080 \pm 0.002$.
- **Gluon spin:** $\Delta G = 0.131 \pm 0.003$, sizeable to the proton spin.
- PHENIX Collaboration: $\Delta G^{[0.02,0.3]} = 0.2 \pm 0.1$.
- **Sea quarks:** solely generated from the QCD evolution.

¹LFH: 124 (2020), 082003; PHENIX: PRL 103 (2009) 012003].

Helicity Asymmetries

BLFQ: PRD 108 (2023) 094002



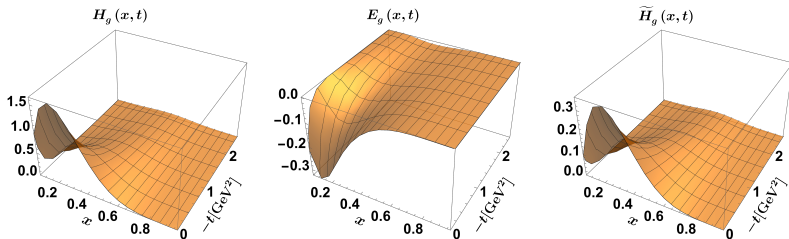
- Experimentally, the expected increase of $\Delta u/u$ is observed.
- For d quark: remains negative in the experimentally covered region.
- Global analyses favor negative values of $\Delta d/d$ at large- x .

Gluon GPDs BLFQ : PLB 847 (2023) 138305

$$F^g(x, \Delta; \lambda, \lambda') = \frac{1}{2P^+} \bar{u}(p', \lambda') \left(\gamma^+ H^g(x, \xi, t) + \frac{i\sigma^{+\mu} \Delta_\mu}{2M} E^g(x, \xi, t) \right) u(p, \lambda),$$

$$\tilde{F}^g(x, \Delta; \lambda, \lambda') = \frac{1}{2P^+} \bar{u}(p', \lambda') \left(\gamma^+ \gamma_5 \tilde{H}^g(x, \xi, t) + \frac{\Delta^+ \gamma_5}{2M} \tilde{E}^g(x, \xi, t) \right) u(p, \lambda).$$

Non-skewed GPDs



- Model scale : $\mu_0^2 = 0.23 - 0.25 \text{ GeV}^2$ (by matching $\langle x \rangle$ with global fit at 10 GeV^2 after scale evolution)
- Total Angular Momentum: $J = \frac{1}{2} \int dx x [H(x, 0) + E(x, 0)]$;
 $J_g = 0.066$, 13.2% of the proton TAM.

BLFQ Predictions for Spin Decomposition



Quark and gluon helicities :

$$\Delta\Sigma_q = \int dx \Delta q(x)$$

$$\Delta\Sigma_g = \int dx \Delta G(x)$$

Total AM :

$$J_i = \int dx x [H_i(x, 0, 0) + E_i(x, 0, 0)]$$

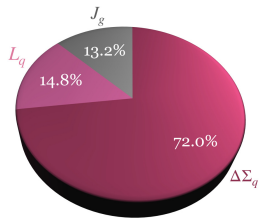
Kinetic OAM :

$$L_q = \int dx [x \{H_q(x, 0, 0) + E_q(x, 0, 0)\} - \tilde{H}_q(x, 0, 0)]$$

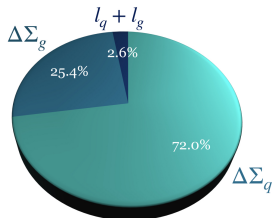
Canonical OAM :

$$l_i^z = - \int dx d^2\vec{p}_\perp \frac{\vec{p}_\perp^2}{M^2} F_{1,4}^i(x, 0, \vec{p}_\perp^2, 0, 0)$$

(a) Kinetic



(b) Canonical



¹ Hatta's talk: 6th Feb.

² S. Xu, CM, X. Zhao, Y. Li, J. P. Vary, Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023), 094002.

x -Dependent Squared Radius



$$\langle b_{\perp}^2 \rangle^i(x) = \frac{\int d^2\vec{b}_{\perp} b_{\perp}^2 H^i(x, b_{\perp})}{\int d^2\vec{b}_{\perp} H^i(x, b_{\perp})},$$

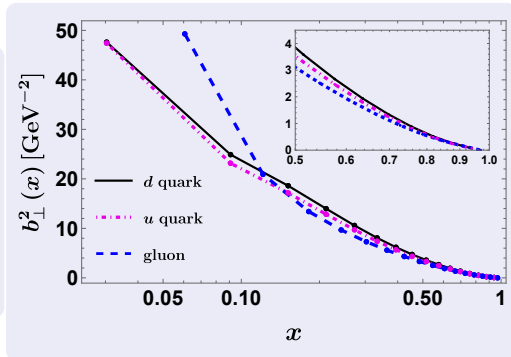
- Transverse squared radius:

$$\langle b_{\perp}^2 \rangle = \sum_i e_q \int_0^1 dx f^i(x) \langle b_{\perp}^2 \rangle^i(x)$$

- BLFQ: $\langle b_{\perp}^2 \rangle = 0.47 \pm 0.04 \text{ fm}^2$

- Experimental data ²:

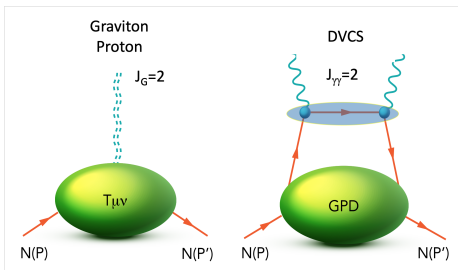
$$\langle b_{\perp}^2 \rangle_{\text{exp}} = 0.43 \pm 0.01 \text{ fm}^2$$



¹B. Lin, S. Nair, S.Xu, CM, X. Zhao, J. P. Vary, 2308.08275 [hep-ph].

²R. Dupre, M. Guidal and M. Vanderhaeghen, PRD 95, 011501 (2017).

Gravitational Form Factors



- Interaction with gravitons
- **Encode information:** momentum densities, energy densities, spin angular momentum, mechanical properties : pressure and force distributions, radius, etc.
- Gravitons not feasible in collider yet
- The graviton-proton coupling is mimicked with a pair of vector bosons interacting with quark and gluon (in DVCS process)

[Fig: Burkert *et. al.*: 2310.11568]

Nucleon Gravitational Form Factors

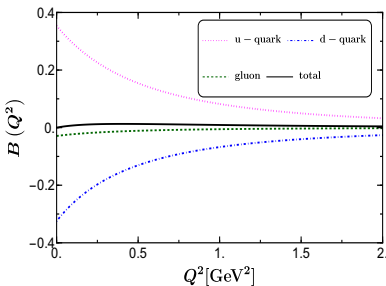
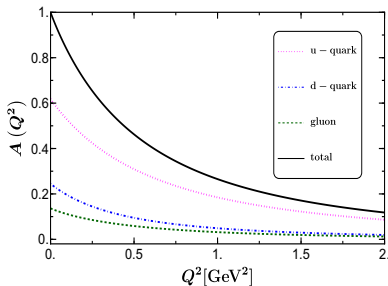


- Parametrization of matrix element in terms of GFFs

$$\langle P' | T_i^{\mu\nu}(0) | P \rangle = \bar{U}' \left[-B_i(q^2) \frac{\bar{P}^\mu \bar{P}^\nu}{M} + (A_i(q^2) + B_i(q^2)) \frac{1}{2} (\gamma^\mu \bar{P}^\nu + \gamma^\nu \bar{P}^\mu) \right. \\ \left. + C_i(q^2) \frac{q^\mu q^\nu - q^2 g^{\mu\nu}}{M} + \bar{C}_i(q^2) M g^{\mu\nu} \right] U$$

- Momentum sum rule : $\sum_i A^i(0) = 1$
- Gravitomagnetic moment sum rule : $\sum_i B^i(0) = 0$
- Spin sum rule: $J^i = \frac{1}{2} [A^i(0) + B^i(0)]$
- $4C(q^2) = D(q^2)$ provides shear forces and the pressure distributions

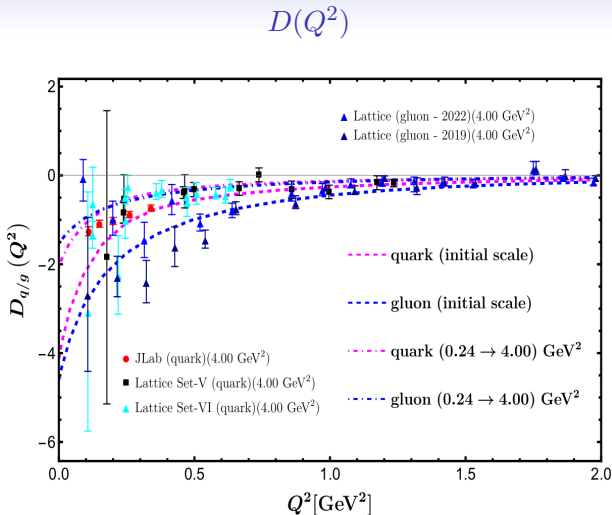
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[Ji, Phys. Rev. Lett. 78, 610 (1997)]

$A(Q^2)$ and $B(Q^2)$ 

- $A(Q^2)$ and $B(Q^2)$: T^{++} component
- Spin sum rule: $J^i = \frac{1}{2} (A^i(0) + B^i(0))$

$$\sum_i A^i(0) = 1 \text{ and } \sum_i B^i(0) = 0$$

¹S. Nair, CM, *et. al.* coming soon...



- $D(Q^2) = 4C(Q^2) : T^{ij}$ components

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TMDs of Spin-1/2 Target



Gluon TMDs correlator :

$$\Phi^{g[ij]}(x, \vec{k}_\perp; S) = \frac{1}{xP^+} \int \frac{dz^-}{2\pi} \frac{d^2\vec{z}_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} e^{ikz} \langle P; S | F_a^{+j}(0) \mathcal{W}_{+\infty, ab}(0; z) F_b^{+i}(z) | P; S \rangle |_{z^+=0}$$

Parametrization

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi^g(x, \vec{k}_\perp; S) &= \delta_\perp^{ij} \Phi^{g[ij]}(x, \vec{k}_\perp; S) \\ &= f_1^g(x, \vec{k}_\perp^2) - \frac{\epsilon_\perp^{ij} k_\perp^i S_\perp^j}{M} f_{1T}^g(x, \vec{k}_\perp^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\Phi}^g(x, \vec{k}_\perp; S) &= i\epsilon_\perp^{ij} \Phi^{g[ij]}(x, \vec{k}_\perp; S) \\ &= S^3 g_{1L}^g(x, \vec{k}_\perp^2) + \frac{\vec{k}_\perp \cdot \vec{S}_\perp}{M} g_{1T}^g(x, \vec{k}_\perp^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_T^{g,ij}(x, \vec{k}_\perp; S) &= -\hat{S} \Phi^{g[ij]}(x, \vec{k}_\perp; S) \\ &= -\frac{\hat{S}_\perp^k k_\perp^j}{2M^2} h_1^{\perp g}(x, \vec{k}_\perp^2) + \frac{S^3 \hat{S}_\perp^k \epsilon_\perp^{jk} k_\perp^i}{2M^2} h_{1L}^{\perp g}(x, \vec{k}_\perp^2) \\ &\quad + \frac{\hat{S}_\perp^k \epsilon_\perp^{jk} S_\perp^i}{2M} \left(h_{1T}^g(x, \vec{k}_\perp^2) + \frac{\vec{k}_\perp^2}{2M^2} h_{1T}^{\perp g}(x, \vec{k}_\perp^2) \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{\hat{S}_\perp^k \epsilon_\perp^{jk} (2k_\perp^k \vec{k}_\perp \cdot \vec{S}_\perp - S_\perp^k \vec{k}_\perp^2)}{4M^3} h_{1T}^{\perp g}(x, \vec{k}_\perp^2), \end{aligned}$$

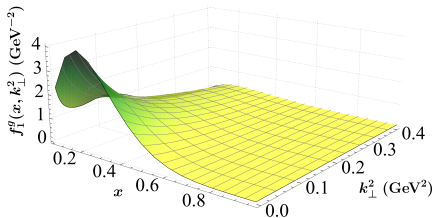
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TARGET SPIN	GLUONS	$-g_T^{\alpha\beta}$	$\varepsilon_T^{\alpha\beta}$	$P_T^{\alpha\beta}, \dots$
	U	f_1^g		$h_1^{\perp g}$
	L		g_1^g	$h_{1L}^{\perp g}$
	T	$f_{1T}^{\perp g}$	g_{1T}^g	$h_1^g, h_{1T}^{\perp g}$

¹ A. Accardi *et al.*, Eur.Phys.J.A 52 (2016) 9, 268.

² Meißner, *et. al.* PRD D 76 (2007), 034002.

³ Pisano's, Khatiza's...talks

Gluon TMDs



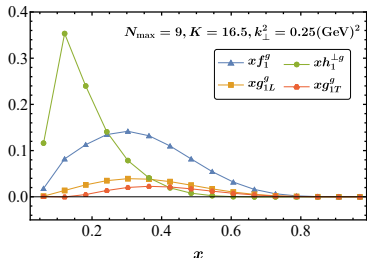
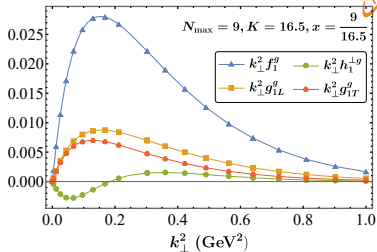
- Positivity bounds

$$f_1^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2) > 0, \quad f_1^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2) \geq |g_{1L}^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2)|,$$

$$f_1^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2) \geq \frac{|\mathbf{k}_\perp|}{M} |g_{1T}^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2)|,$$

$$f_1^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2) \geq \frac{|\mathbf{k}_\perp|^2}{2M^2} |h_1^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2)|$$

- Satisfies Mulders-Rodrigues relations



¹Hongyao Yu, *et. al.* coming very soon...

Gluon TMDs



- Small- x limit

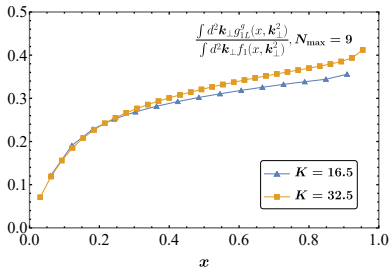
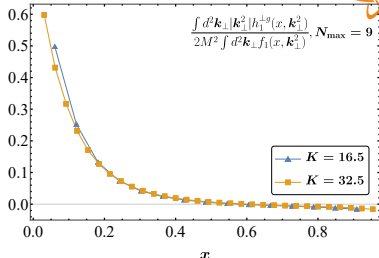
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int d\mathbf{k}_\perp^2 |\mathbf{k}_\perp^2| h_1^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2)}{2M^2 \int d\mathbf{k}_\perp^2 f_1^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2)} = 1$$

- Helicity asymmetry:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int d\mathbf{k}_\perp^2 g_{1L}^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2)}{\int d\mathbf{k}_\perp^2 f_1^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2)} = 0,$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\int d\mathbf{k}_\perp^2 g_{1L}^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2)}{\int d\mathbf{k}_\perp^2 f_1^g(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2)} = 1$$

- With larger truncation K , satisfies the limiting cases.



¹ Hongyao Yu, *et. al.* coming very soon...

Gluon TMDs



- To check compatibility of BLFQ results with the Gaussian ansatz :

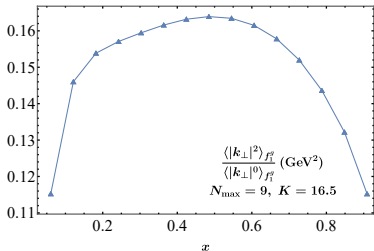
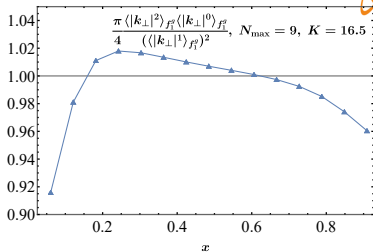
$$f_1^g(x, k_\perp^2) \approx a \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{|k_\perp|^2}{r}\right)}{\pi r}$$

$$\text{where } a = \langle |k_\perp|^0 \rangle_{f_1^g} \text{ and } r = \langle |k_\perp|^2 \rangle_{f_1^g}$$

- If the Gaussian ansatz holds :

$$\frac{\langle |k_\perp|^2 \rangle_{f_1^g} \times \langle |k_\perp|^0 \rangle_{f_1^g}}{(\langle |k_\perp|^1 \rangle_{f_1^g})^2} \times \frac{\pi}{4} = 1$$

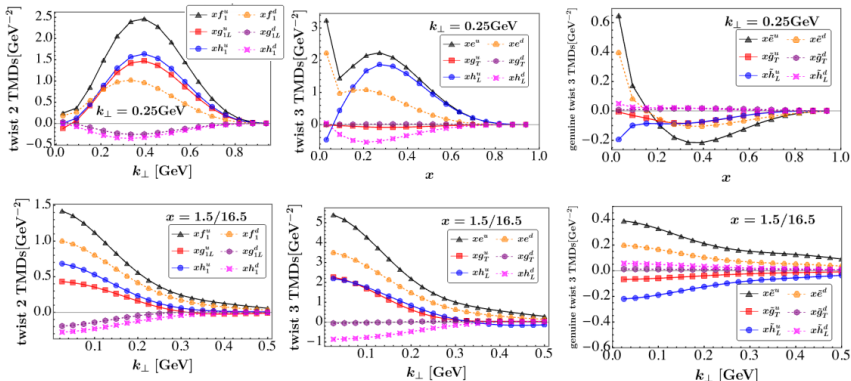
BLFQ results do not support Gaussian ansatz



¹ Hongyao Yu, *et. al.* in preparation



Twist-2 vs Twist-3 Quark TMDs



Twist-3 TMDs:

- 👉 more concentrating in small x and k_{\perp}
- 👉 large than twist-2 TMDs

$$e(x, k_{\perp}^2) = \frac{m}{M} \frac{f_1(x, k_{\perp}^2)}{x} + \bar{e}(x, k_{\perp}^2)$$

$$g_T(x, k_{\perp}^2) = \frac{m}{M} \frac{h_{1T}(x, k_{\perp}^2)}{x} - \frac{k_{\perp}^2}{2M^2} \frac{g_{1T}(x, k_{\perp}^2)}{x} - \tilde{g}_T(x, k_{\perp}^2)$$

$$h_L(x, k_{\perp}^2) = \frac{m}{M} \frac{g_{1L}(x, k_{\perp}^2)}{x} - \frac{k_{\perp}^2}{M^2} \frac{h_{1L}^{\perp}(x, k_{\perp}^2)}{x} + \tilde{h}_L(x, k_{\perp}^2)$$

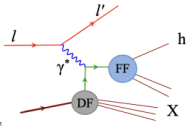
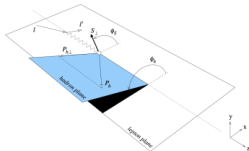
¹ Zhimin Zhu, *et. al.* in preparation



Semi-inclusive DIS

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx dy dz dP_{hT}^2 d\phi_h d\psi} = \left[\frac{\alpha}{xyQ^2} \frac{y^2}{2(1-\varepsilon)} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma^2}{2x} \right) \right] (F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon F_{UU,L}) \times$$

$$\left[\begin{aligned} & 1 + \cos\phi_h \left(\sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} A_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h} \right) + \cos 2\phi_h \left(\varepsilon A_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi_h} \right) \\ & + \lambda \sin\phi_h \left(\sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} A_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h} \right) \\ & + S_L \left[\sin\phi_h \left(\sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} A_{UL}^{\sin\phi_h} \right) + \sin 2\phi_h \left(\varepsilon A_{UL}^{\sin 2\phi_h} \right) \right] \\ & + S_L \lambda \left[\sqrt{1-\varepsilon^2} A_{LL} + \cos\phi_h \left(\sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} A_{LL}^{\cos\phi_h} \right) \right] \\ & + S_T \left[\begin{aligned} & \sin(\phi_h - \phi_S) \left(A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_h - \phi_S)} \right) \\ & + \sin(\phi_h + \phi_S) \left(\varepsilon A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_h + \phi_S)} \right) \\ & + \sin(3\phi_h - \phi_S) \left(\varepsilon A_{UT}^{\sin(3\phi_h - \phi_S)} \right) \\ & + \sin\phi_S \left(\sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} A_{UT}^{\sin\phi_S} \right) \\ & + \sin(2\phi_h - \phi_S) \left(\sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} A_{UT}^{\sin(2\phi_h - \phi_S)} \right) \end{aligned} \right] \\ & + S_T \lambda \left[\begin{aligned} & \cos(\phi_h - \phi_S) \left(\sqrt{1-\varepsilon^2} A_{LT}^{\cos(\phi_h - \phi_S)} \right) \\ & + \cos\phi_S \left(\sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} A_{LT}^{\cos\phi_S} \right) \\ & + \cos(2\phi_h - \phi_S) \left(\sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} A_{LT}^{\cos(2\phi_h - \phi_S)} \right) \end{aligned} \right] \end{aligned} \right]$$



Factorization Theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_h - \phi_S)} &\propto f_{1T}^\perp \otimes D_1 && \text{Twist-2} \\ A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_h + \phi_S)} &\propto h_{1\perp} \otimes H_1^\perp \\ A_{UT}^{\sin(3\phi_h - \phi_S)} &\propto h_{1T}^\perp \otimes H_1^\perp && \text{Twist-3} \\ A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_S)} &\propto \frac{M}{Q} (f_T \otimes D_1 + h_{1\perp} \otimes H_1^\perp + \dots) \\ A_{UT}^{\sin(2\phi_h - \phi_S)} &\propto \frac{M}{Q} (h_T \otimes H_1^\perp + h_T^\perp H_1^\perp + \dots) \\ A_{LT}^{\cos(\phi_h - \phi_S)} &\propto g_{1T} \otimes D_1 \\ A_{LT}^{\cos(\phi_S)} &\propto \frac{M}{Q} (g_T \otimes D_1 + e_T \otimes H_1^\perp + \dots) \\ A_{LT}^{\cos(2\phi_h - \phi_S)} &\propto \frac{M}{Q} (e_T \otimes H_1^\perp + e_T^\perp \otimes H_1^\perp + \dots) \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

¹Bacchetta, et al, JHEP 02 (2007) 093¹Zhimin Zhu, et. al. in preparation

Spin asymmetry in SIDIS process



$$\text{twist-2} \quad F_{UU,T} = C[f_1 D_1] \quad F_{UU,L} = 0 \quad F_{LT}^{\cos(\phi_h - \phi_S)} = C\left[\frac{\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{p}_T}{M} g_{1T} D_1\right] \quad \hat{\mathbf{h}} = \frac{\mathbf{P}_{h\perp}}{|\mathbf{P}_{h\perp}|}$$

$$\text{twist-3} \quad F_{LT}^{\cos \phi_S} = \frac{2M}{Q} C\left\{ -\left(x g_T D_1 + \frac{M_h}{M} h_1 \frac{\tilde{E}}{z}\right) + \frac{\mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{p}_T}{2MM_h} \left[\left(x e_T H_1^\perp - \frac{M_h}{M} g_{1T} \frac{\tilde{D}^\perp}{z}\right) + \left(x e_T^\perp H_1^\perp + \frac{M_h}{M} f_{1T}^\perp \frac{\tilde{G}^\perp}{z}\right) \right] \right\}$$

$$\sim -\frac{2M}{Q} C[x g_T D_1] \quad \text{suppression factor}$$

$$\text{EOM relation:} \quad x g_T = x \tilde{g}_T - \frac{p_T^2}{2M^2} g_{1T} + \frac{m}{M} h_1$$

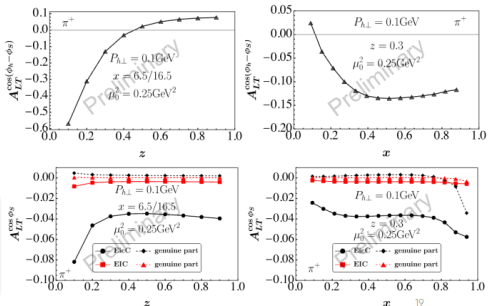
Kinematic parameters : $M \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$, $Q_{\text{EicC}} \sim 10 \text{ GeV}$, $Q_{\text{EIC}} \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$

Spin asymmetries :

$$\text{twist-2:} \quad A_{LT}^{\cos(\phi_h - \phi_S)} = \frac{F_{LT}^{\cos(\phi_h - \phi_S)}}{F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon F_{UU,L}}$$

$$\text{twist-3:} \quad A_{LT}^{\cos \phi_S} = \frac{F_{LT}^{\cos \phi_S}}{F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon F_{UU,L}}$$

- The twist-3 DSA, $A_{LT}^{\cos \phi_S}$, is smaller than the twist-2 DSA, $A_{LT}^{\cos(\phi_h - \phi_S)}$.
- Twist-3 spin asymmetries may be easier to measure in EicC than in EIC.



¹ Zhimin Zhu, *et. al.* in preparation

Effective Hamiltonian with Dynamical Gluon and Sea Quarks

Fock expansion:

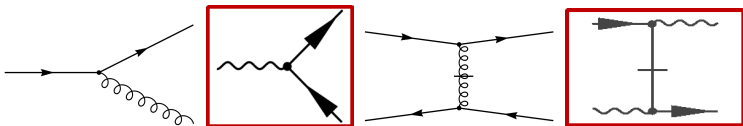
$$| \text{Proton} \rangle = a | uud \rangle + b | uudg \rangle + c_1 | uud\bar{u} \rangle + c_2 | uudd\bar{d} \rangle + c_3 | uuds\bar{s} \rangle + \dots$$

Light-front QCD Hamiltonian :

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \sum_a \frac{\vec{p}_{\perp a}^2 + m_a^2}{x_a} + \cancel{H_{\text{confinement}}} + H_{\text{vertex}} + H_{\text{inst}}$$

$$H_{\text{vertex}} + H_{\text{inst}} = g_s \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu T^a A_\mu^a \psi + \frac{1}{2} g_s^2 \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ T^a \psi \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ T^a \psi$$

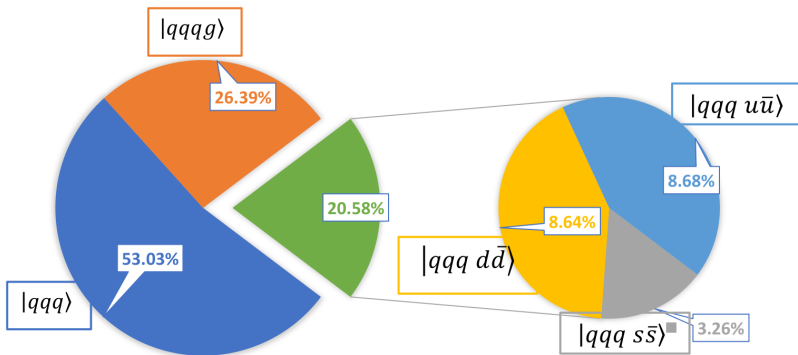
$$+ \frac{1}{2} g_s^2 \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu A_\mu \frac{\gamma^+}{(i\partial^+)} A_\nu \gamma^\nu \psi$$



¹ Brodsky, Pauli, and Pinsky, Phys. Rep. 301, 299 (1998).



Fock Sector Decomposition

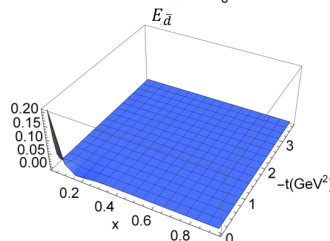
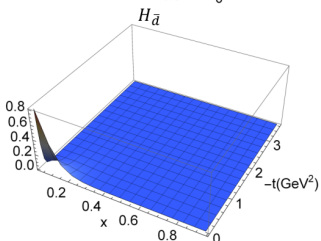
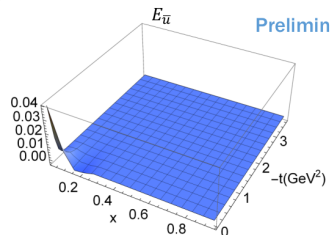
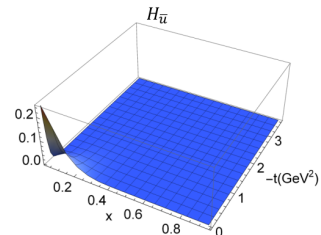




Sea Quark GPDs

GPDs at $\xi = 0$

Preliminary

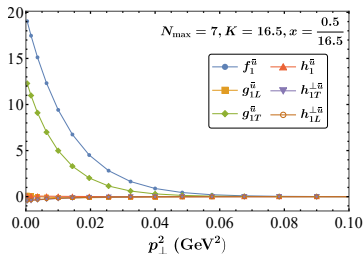
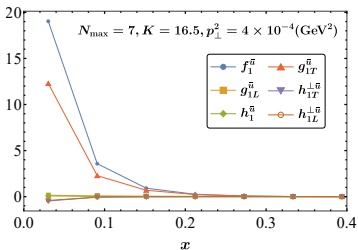
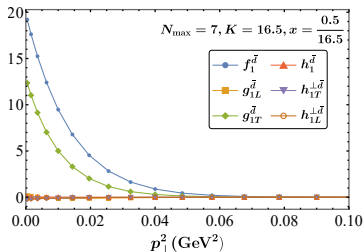
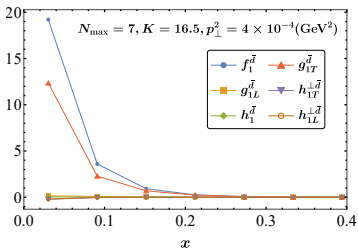


- \bar{u} and \bar{d} GPDs
- \bar{u} and \bar{d} GPD E have small negative region around $x \sim 0.2$

Sea Quark TMDs



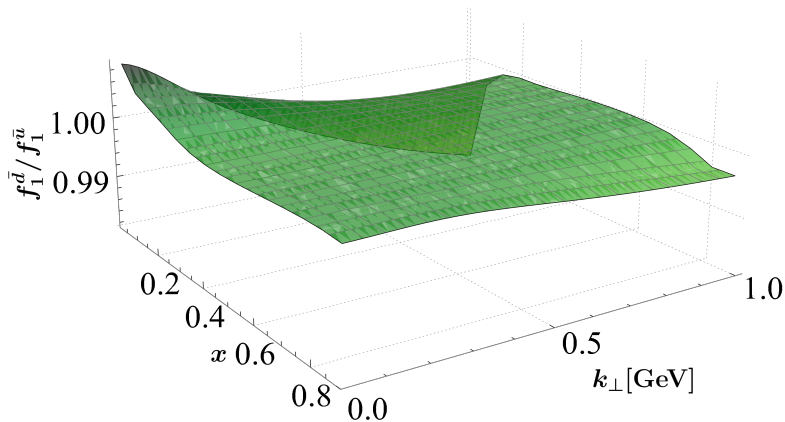
Preliminary results



Sea Quark TMDs Asymmetries



Preliminary results



⁰Hongyao Yu, *et. al.*, in preparation

Conclusions



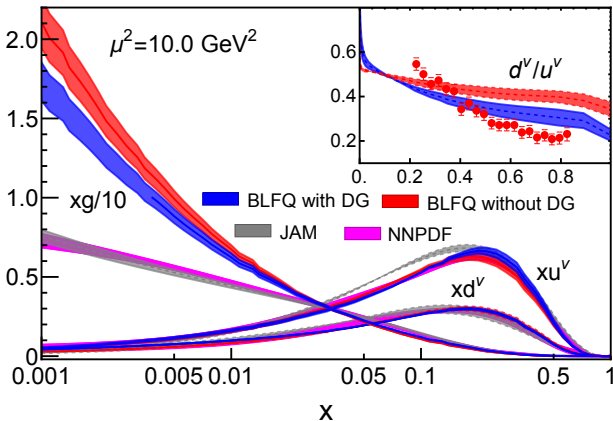
- Basis Light-front Quantization : A non-perturbative approach based on light-front QCD Hamiltonian
- **LF Hamiltonian** \Rightarrow **Wavefunctions** \Rightarrow **Observables**.
- Explored gluon and sea quarks within proton based on $|qqq\rangle + |qqqg\rangle$ and $|qqq\rangle + |qqqg\rangle + |qqqq\bar{q}\rangle$, respectively.
- Provides good description of data/global fits for various observables.
- With one dynamical gluon, the quark spin contributes 70%; the gluon spin plays a substantial role (26%) in understanding the nucleon spin.

Outlook

- Include three-gluon and four-gluon interactions in the Hamiltonian.
- *This is not a complete picture ... long way to go.*

Enormous amount of possibilities with future EICs ... Thank You

Unpolarized PDFs



Including dynamical gluon (DG):

- Model scale : $\mu_0^2 = 0.195 \text{ GeV}^2 \Rightarrow \mu_0^2 = 0.23 - 0.25 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Gluon distribution: closer to global fits.

¹S. Xu, CM, X. Zhao, Y. Li, J. P. Vary, Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023) 094002.

Overview of TMDs for Spin-1/2 Target



Quark correlator

$$\Phi_q^{[\Gamma]} \left(P, S; x = \frac{k^+}{P^+}, \vec{k}_\perp \right) = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dz^- dz^\perp}{2(2\pi)^3} e^{ik \cdot z} \langle P, S | \bar{\Psi}_q(0) \Gamma \mathcal{W}(0^\perp, z^\perp) \Psi_q(z) | P, S \rangle \Big|_{z^+=0},$$

Parameterization:

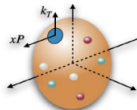
8 twist-2 TMDs:

6 T-even terms
2 T-odd terms

$$\Phi[\gamma^+] = f_1 - \frac{\epsilon_\perp^{ij} k_\perp^i S_\perp^j}{M} f_{1T},$$

$$\Phi[\gamma^+ \gamma^5] = \Lambda g_{1L} + \frac{k_\perp \cdot S_\perp}{M} g_{1T},$$

$$\Phi^{[i\sigma^j \gamma^5]} = S_\perp^j h_1 + \Lambda \frac{k_\perp^j}{M} h_{1L} + S_\perp^i \frac{2k_\perp^i k_\perp^j - (k_\perp)^2 \delta^{ij}}{2M^2} h_{1T} + \frac{\epsilon_\perp^{ij} k_\perp^i}{M} h_{1\perp}^j,$$



16 twist-3 TMDs:

8 T-even terms
8 T-odd terms

$$\Phi^{[1]} = \frac{M}{P^+} \left[e - \frac{\epsilon_T^{\rho\sigma} k_{\perp\rho} S_{T\sigma}}{M} e_T^\perp \right],$$

$$\Phi^{[t\gamma_5]} = \frac{M}{P^+} \left[S_L e_L - \frac{k_\perp \cdot S_T}{M} e_T \right],$$

$$\Phi^{[\gamma^\alpha]} = \frac{M}{P^+} \left[-\epsilon_T^{\alpha\rho} S_{T\rho} f_T - S_L \frac{\epsilon_T^{\alpha\rho} k_{\perp\rho}}{M} f_L^\perp - \frac{k_\perp^\alpha k_\perp^\rho - \frac{1}{2} k_\perp^2 g_T^{\alpha\rho}}{M^2} \epsilon_{T\rho\sigma} S_T^\sigma f_T^\perp + \frac{k_\perp^\alpha}{M} f^\perp \right],$$

$$\Phi^{[\gamma^\alpha \gamma_5]} = \frac{M}{P^+} \left[S_T^\alpha g_T + S_L \frac{k_\perp^\alpha}{M} g_L^\perp - \frac{k_\perp^\alpha k_\perp^\rho - \frac{1}{2} k_\perp^2 g_T^{\alpha\rho}}{M^2} S_{T\rho} g_T^\perp - \frac{\epsilon_T^{\alpha\rho} k_{\perp\rho}}{M} g^\perp \right],$$

$$\Phi^{[i\sigma^{\alpha\beta} \gamma_5]} = \frac{M}{P^+} \left[\frac{S_T^\alpha k_\perp^\beta - k_\perp^\alpha S_T^\beta}{M} h_T^\perp - \epsilon_T^{\alpha\beta} h \right],$$

$$\Phi^{[i\sigma^{\alpha\beta} \gamma_5]} = \frac{M}{P^+} \left[S_L h_L - \frac{k_\perp \cdot S_T}{M} h_T \right].$$

Jaffe-Ji notation:

f, e → unpolarized quarks
g → longitudinally polarized quarks
h → transversely polarized quarks

1 → the leading twist

L → longitudinally polarized hadron

T → transversely polarized hadron

⊥ → existing k_\perp with a non-contracted index

¹Meißner, et. al. JHEP08 (2009) 056.

GPDs and GFFs



- The second Mellin's moment of GPDs:

$$\int dx x H(x, \xi, t) = A(t) + \xi^2 D(t)$$

$$\int dx x E(x, \xi, t) = B(t) - \xi^2 D(t)$$

- GPDs in terms of the Compton Form Factors :

$$\text{Re}\mathcal{H}(\xi, t) + i \text{Im}\mathcal{H}(\xi, t) = \int_0^1 dx \left[\frac{1}{\xi - x - i\epsilon} - \frac{1}{\xi + x + i\epsilon} \right] H(x, \xi, t)$$

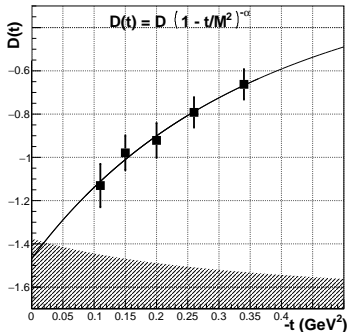
- Compton Form Factors are directly related to the observables we can experimentally determine in DVCS measurements.
- In DVCS experiments, GPDs are not directly accessible in the full x -space, but only at $x = \pm\xi$

D-term



- Only $D(t) = 4C(t)$ GFF can be extracted via DVCS
- $D(t)$ can be determined from the dispersion relation :

$$D(t) = \text{Re}\mathcal{H}(\xi, t) - \frac{1}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^1 dx \left[\frac{1}{\xi - x} - \frac{1}{\xi + x} \right] \text{Im}\mathcal{H}(\xi, t)$$

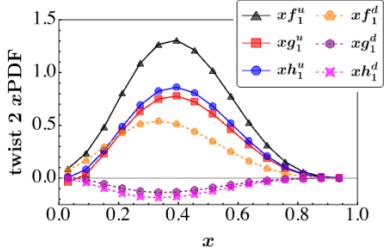


[Fig: Burkert *et. al.*: 2310.11568]

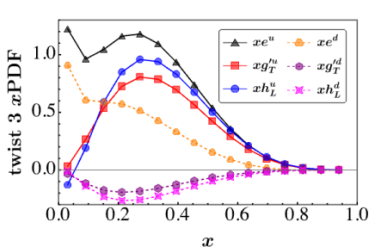
xPDFs: Twist-2 vs Twist-3



twist-2 xPDFs



twist-3 xPDFs

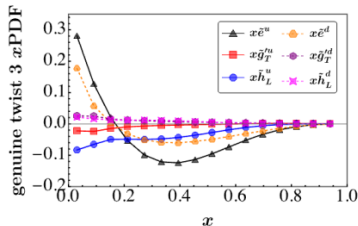


$$\int \frac{d^2 k_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} f(x, k_{\perp}) = f(x)$$

Twist-3 PDFs:

- 🔴 more concentrating in small x
- 🔴 similar magnitude to twist-2 PDFs

genuine twist-3 xPDFs



¹Zhimin Zhu, et. al. in preparation



Light-Front QCD with Light-Cone Gauge ($A^+ = 0$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{P}_{\text{LFQCD}}^- = & \frac{1}{2} \int dx^- d^2x^\perp \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ \frac{(i\partial^\perp)^2 + m^2}{i\partial^+} \psi + A^{ia} (i\partial^\perp)^2 A^{ia} \\
 & + g_s \int dx^- d^2x^\perp \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu A^{\mu a} T^a \psi \\
 & + \frac{g_s^2}{2} \int dx^- d^2x^\perp \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu A^{\mu a} T^a \frac{\gamma^+}{i\partial^+} (\gamma_\nu A^{\nu b} T^b \psi) \\
 & + \frac{g_s^2}{2} \int dx^- d^2x^\perp \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ T^a \psi \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} (\bar{\psi} \gamma^+ T^a \psi) \\
 & - g_s^2 \int dx^- d^2x^\perp i f^{abc} \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ T^c \psi \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} (i\partial^+ A^{\mu a} A_\mu^b) \\
 & + g_s \int dx^- d^2x^\perp i f^{abc} i\partial^\mu A^{\nu a} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c \\
 & + \frac{g_s^2}{2} \int dx^- d^2x^\perp i f^{abc} i f^{ade} i\partial^+ A^{\mu b} A_\mu^c \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} (i\partial^+ A^{\nu d} A_\nu^e) \\
 & - \frac{g_s^2}{4} \int dx^- d^2x^\perp i f^{abc} i f^{ade} A^{\mu b} A^{\nu c} A_\mu^d A_\nu^e.
 \end{aligned}$$

¹ S.J. Brodsky, H.C. Pauli, S.S. Pinsky, Phys. Rep. 301, 299-486 (1998).



Parameters

$$|P, \Lambda\rangle \rightarrow |qqq\rangle + |qqqg\rangle + |qqqu\bar{u}\rangle + |qqqd\bar{d}\rangle + |qqqs\bar{s}\rangle$$

- We use following observables to fix the parameters in the first two Fock sectors
- Nucleon mass
 - Nucleon electromagnetic form factors

m_u	m_d	m_f	g	b	b_{inst}
0.99 GeV	0.94 GeV	5.9 GeV	3.0	0.6 GeV	2.7 GeV

- The parameters effectively parameterize certain non-perturbative dynamics
- In five-quark Fock component, the quark masses are equal to current quark masses

m_u	m_d	m_s
0.00216 GeV	0.00467 GeV	0.0934 GeV

Truncation parameters: $N_{\max} = 7$ and $K_{\max} = 16$