Investigating the Spin Structure of the Proton at the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider

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How do we understand the visible matter in our universe in terms of the fundamental quarks and gluons of QCD?



Deep-Inelastic Scattering: A Tool of the Trade



- Probe nucleon with an electron or muon beam
- Interacts electromagnetically with (charged) quarks and antiquarks
- "Clean" process theoretically—quantum electrodynamics well understood and easy to calculate
- Technique that originally discovered the parton structure of the nucleon in the 1960's!



Decades of DIS Data: What Have We Learned?

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^{ep \to eX}}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{4\pi \alpha_{e.m.}^2}{xQ^4} \left[\left(1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) F_2(x, Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{2} F_L(x, Q^2) \right]$$

- Wealth of data largely from HERA (thanks!!)
- Rich structure at low *x*
- Half proton's linear momentum carried by gluons!





And a (Relatively) Recent Surprise From p+p, p+d Collisions

 Fermilab Experiment 866 used proton-hydrogen and proton-deuterium collisions to probe nucleon structure via the Drell-Yan process

 $q + \overline{q} \to \mu^+ + \mu^-$

• Anti-up/anti-down asymmetry in the quark sea, with an unexpected *x* behavior!



PRD64, 052002 (2001)



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2.25 Fermilah Experiment 866 Hadronic collisions play a complementary role to use DIS and have let us continue to find surprises in pro the rich linear momentum structure of the proton, coll even after 40 years! nuc Drell-Yan process E866/NuSea $q + \overline{q} \rightarrow \mu^+ + \mu^-$ 0.75 TEQ5M --- CTEQ4M —— MRS(r2) 0.5MRST • Anti-up/anti-down GR V98 0.25 Systematic Uncertainty asymmetry in the quark sea, with an unexpected x 0.150.2 0.25 0.3 0.35 0.05behavior! х

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What about the angular momentum structure of the proton?



Proton "Spin Crisis"

SLAC: 0.10 < *x* < 0.7

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \Delta \Sigma + \Delta G + L_{G+q}$$



$$\Delta \Sigma_{SLAC} \sim 0.6$$
 Quark-Parton Model
expectation!
E130, Phys.Rev.Lett.51:1135 (1983)
428 citations



Proton "Spin Crisis"

SLAC: 0.10 < x < 0.7CERN: 0.01 < x < 0.5

0.1

 $0.01 < x_{CERN} < 0.5$

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0.05



Hence $(14\pm9\pm21)$ % of the proton spin is carried by the spin of the quarks. The remaining spin must be carried by gluons or orbital angular momentum

These haven't been easy to measure!

EMC (CERN), Phys.Lett.B206:364 (1988) 1491 citations!

"Proton Spin Crisis"

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This experiment

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Decades of <u>Polarized</u> DIS

Quark Spin – Gluon Spin – Transverse Spin – GPDs – L_z





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PRL92, 012005 (2004)



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RHIC as a Polarized p+p Collider





December 2001: News to Celebrate

SHIC Experimenter Status BRAHMS (200): 0.00 STAR (200): 0.20

Seam Lifetime 1358.25 Mg PHENIX (2005: 3.2) PHOBOS: Kerli: 54

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Tuesday December 11, 2001

2230: Significant polarization has been measured in RHIC, at 100 GeV

MACHINE



RHIC Spin Physics Experiments

• Three experiments: STAR, PHENIX, BRAHMS





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Accelerator performance: Avg. pol ~57% at 200 GeV (design 70%). Achieved 5.0x10³¹ cm⁻² s⁻¹ lumi (design ~4x this).



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Advantages of a polarized *proton-proton collider*:
Hadronic collisions → Leading-order access to gluons
High energies → Applicability of perturbative QCD
High energies → Production of new probes: W bosons



Reliance on Input from Simpler Systems

 Disadvantage of hadronic collisions: much "messier" than DIS! → Rely on input from simpler systems

 The more we know from simpler systems such as DIS and e+e- annihilation, the more we can in turn learn from hadronic collisions!



Factorization and Universality in Perturbative QCD



"Hard" probes have predictable rates given:

- Parton distribution functions (need experimental input)
- Partonic hard scattering rates (calculable in pQCD)
- Fragmentation functions (need experimental input)



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Probing the Helicity Structure of the Nucleon with p+p Collisions



$$A_{LL} = \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma} = \frac{1}{|P_1P_2|} \frac{N_{++} / L_{++} - N_{+-} / L_{+-}}{N_{++} / L_{++} + N_{+-} / L_{+-}}$$

Study difference in particle production rates for same-helicity vs. oppositehelicity proton collisions





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The Quest for ΔG , the Gluon Spin Contribution to the Spin of the Proton



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With experimental evidence already indicating that only about 30% of the proton's spin is due to the spin of the quarks, in the mid-1990s, predictions for $\Delta G(x)$ at x=0.1 ranged from 2 to 10(!)

Inclusive Neutral Pion Asymmetry at $\sqrt{s}=200 \text{ GeV}$

PHENIX: Limited acceptance and fast EMCal trigger → Neutral pions have been primary probe - Subject to fragmentation function uncertainties, but easy to reconstruct







Inclusive Neutral Pion Asymmetry at $\sqrt{s}=200 \text{ GeV}$

PRL 103, 012003 (2009)





Inclusive Neutral Pion Asymmetry at $\sqrt{s}=200 \text{ GeV}$



New results from 2009 data released at SPIN 2010 last week! Still no evidence for a non-zero asymmetry!





Inclusive Jet Asymmetry at $\sqrt{s}=200 \text{ GeV}$

STAR: Large acceptance
→ Jets have been primary probe
Not subject to uncertainties on
fragmentation functions, but need to
handle complexities of jet reconstruction







Inclusive Jet Asymmetry at $\sqrt{s}=200 \text{ GeV}$



GRSV curves and data with cone radius R = 0.7 and $-0.7 < \eta < 0.9$



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Sampling the Integral of ΔG : $\pi^0 p_T vs. x_{gluon}$

Inclusive asymmetry measurements in p+p collisions sample from wide bins in x sensitive to (truncated) integral of ΔG , not to functional form vs. x

Based on simulation using NLO pQCD as input





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Present Status of $\Delta g(x)$: Global pdf Analyses



- First global NLO analysis to include inclusive DIS, semi-inclusive DIS, and RHIC p+p data (200 and 62.4 GeV) on equal footing
- Best fit finds node in gluon distribution near $x \sim 0.1$ (not prohibited, but not so intuitive . . .) and $\Delta G < 0.5$ near x=0.1, 4-20 times smaller than predictions in 1990's!

de Florian et al., PRL101, 072001 (2008)



x range covered by current RHIC measurements at 200 GeV



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The Future of ΔG Measurements at RHIC

- ΔG seems to be small! We've got a more challenging task than we anticipated!
- Extend *x* coverage (more low-x surprises in store?)
 - Run at different center-of-mass energies
 - Already results for neutral pions at 62.4 GeV, now first data at 500 GeV
 - Extend measurements to forward particle production
 - Forward calorimetry recently enhanced in both PHENIX and STAR
- Go beyond inclusive measurements—i.e. measure the final state more completely—to better reconstruct the kinematics and thus the *x* values probed.
 - Jet-jet and direct photon jet measurements



Dijet Cross Section and Double Helicity Asymmetry



Dijets as a function of invariant mass
More complete kinematic reconstruction of hard scattering—pin down *x* values probed

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• Dijets as a function of invariant mass

Still a long road ahead! Need to perform measurements with higher precision and covering a greater range in gluon momentum fraction. Spin crisis continues . . .



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Not expected to resolve spin crisis, but of particular interest given surprising isospinasymmetric structure of the unpolarized sea discovered by E866 at Fermilab.





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Flavor-Separated Sea Quark **Polarizations Through W Production** $\Delta q(x), \Delta \overline{q}(x)$



$$A_L^{W^+} \approx -\frac{\Delta u(x_1)\overline{d}(x_2) - \Delta \overline{d}(x_1)u(x_2)}{u(x_1)\overline{d}(x_2) - \overline{d}(x_1)u(x_2)}$$

$$A_L^{W^-} \approx -\frac{\Delta d(x_1)\overline{u}(x_2) - \Delta \overline{u}(x_1)d(x_2)}{d(x_1)\overline{u}(x_2) - \overline{u}(x_1)d(x_2)}$$

Parity violation of the weak interaction in combination with control over the proton spin orientation gives access to the flavor spin structure in the proton!







Flavor-Separated Sea Quark Polarizations Through W Production



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$$A_{L} = \frac{1}{P} \frac{N^{+} / L^{+} - N^{-} / L^{-}}{N^{+} / L^{+} + N^{-} / L^{-}}$$

2008 global fit to helicity distributions: Indication of SU(3) breaking in the polarized quark sea (as in the unpolarized sea), but still relatively large uncertainties on helicity distributions of anti-up and antidown quarks!

First 500 GeV Data in 2009

- Largely a commissioning run for the accelerator, the polarimeters, and the detectors
 - Average polarization ~39% —many additional depolarizing resonances compared to 200 GeV
 - $W \rightarrow$ e at midrapidity already possible with current data
 - PHENIX finished installing forward detector/trigger upgrades to be able to make full use of 2011 500 GeV run
 - STAR will be ready for forward rapidity measurements in 2012
- B. Surrow, DESY seminar, July 2010



Final W Results from 2009 Data



New since July results from STAR and PHENIX submitted simultaneously for publication in September

PHENIX: arXiv:1009.0505



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Total W Cross Section



- Correct from PHENIX acceptance $(p_T^e > 30$ GeV/c, $|\eta| < 0.35$) to total cross section
- In agreement with predictions
- First W measurement

 in p+p collisions (at
 least first submitted for
 publication . . .!)



PHENIX: arXiv:1009.0505

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Total W Cross Section



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First Glimpse at Parity-Violating Single-Helicity Asymmetries



PHENIX: arXiv:1009.0505

Negative parity-violating asymmetry seen by both PHENIX and STAR for W+. Consistent with SIDIS results, but not yet enough data to improve constraints on anti-u and anti-d helicity distributions.



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Longitudinal (Helicity) vs. Transverse Spin Structure

- Transverse spin structure of the proton cannot be deduced from longitudinal (helicity) structure
 - Spatial rotations and Lorentz boosts don't commute!
 Only the same in the non-relativistic limit
- Transverse structure linked to intrinsic parton transverse momentum (k_T) and orbital angular momentum!



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Charged pions produced preferentially on one or the other side with respect to the transversely polarized beam direction!



W.H. Dragoset et al., PRL36, 929 (1976)

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Due to quark transversity, i.e. correlation of transverse quark spin with transverse proton spin? Other effects? We'll need to wait more than a decade for the birth of a new subfield in order to explore the possibilities . . .

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Transverse-Momentum-Dependent Distributions and Single-Spin Asymmetries



1989: The "Sivers mechanism" is proposed in an attempt to understand the observed asymmetries.D.W. Sivers, PRD41, 83 (1990)

Departs from the traditional *collinear* factorization assumption in pQCD and proposes a correlation between the *intrinsic transverse motion* of the quarks and gluons and the proton's spin

$$s \cdot (p_1 \times p_2)$$

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The Sivers distribution: the first transversemomentum-dependent distribution (TMD)!



Fig. 1

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Quark Distribution Functions







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k_T - dependent,

Relevant measurements in simpler systems (DIS, e+e-) only starting to be made over the last ~5 years, providing evidence that many of these correlations are finite in nature! Rapidly advancing field both experimentally and theoretically!





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Transverse Single-Spin Asymmetries: From Low to High Energies!

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• π΄

Pattern of pion species asymmetries in the forward direction \rightarrow valence quark effect.

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But this conclusion confounded by kaon and antiproton asymmetries!



Another Surprise: Transverse Single-Spin Asymmetry in Eta Meson Production

$$p^{\uparrow} + p \rightarrow \eta + X \quad \sqrt{s} = 200 \,\text{GeV}$$

 $\eta \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$

Larger than the neutral pion!

 $.55 < X_F < .75$ $\left\langle A_N \right\rangle_{\eta} = 0.361 \pm 0.064$ $\left\langle A_N \right\rangle_{\pi} = 0.078 \pm 0.018$

$$\pi^{0} \equiv \frac{u\overline{u} - d\overline{d}}{\sqrt{2}}$$
$$\eta \equiv \frac{u\overline{u} + d\overline{d} - 2s\overline{s}}{\sqrt{6}}$$

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TMDs and Universality: <u>Modified Universality</u> of Sivers Asymmetries

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Measurements in semi-inclusive DIS already exist. A p+p measurement will be a crucial test of our understanding of QCD! But Drell-Yan in p+p requires large integrated luminosity—small, dedicated experiment currently being set up at RHIC to take transversely polarized data during 500 GeV running (longitudinal polarization at PHENIX and STAR for W program).

As a result:





J/Psi A_N and Gluon Correlations with the (Transverse) Spin of the Proton

- Other consequences of nonuniversality of Sivers TMD (and other T-odd TMDs) starting to be realized!
 - PRD 78, 014024 (2008)—F. Yuan predicts that J/Psi transverse single-spin asymmetry sensitive to J/Psi production mechanism, with different expectations for p+p vs. SIDIS
- No SIDIS measurement yet, but PHENIX just submitted result for publication!



arXiv:1009.4864 [hep-ex]



J/Psi A_N and Gluon Correlations with the (Transverse) Spin of the Proton

- Other consequences of non $p\text{+}p\rightarrow J/\psi\text{+}X~at\sqrt{s}$ = 200 GeV u 3.3σ negative asymmetry at forward rapidity observed. J/Psi produced via gg interactions at RHIC. S Suggests possible non-zero (collinear, twist-3) trigluon correlation functions in transversely polarized proton. Will need more data to confirm! production mechanism, with different expectations for p+p vs. 0.1 0.15 x_{F} **SIDIS** arXiv:1009.4864 [hep-ex]
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Gluons Look Different for Pions at Midrapidity??

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2008 Preliminary Result



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PHENIX Preliminary, √s=200 GeV, |η|<0.38

Not necessarily a contradiction! Importance of color interactions starting to be realized in these processes sensitive to parton dynamics within hadrons . . .



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Factorization and Color

- Earlier this year—groundbreaking work by T. Rogers, P. Mulders claiming that pQCD factorization is broken in processes involving more than two hadrons total if parton k_T is taken into account (TMD pdfs and/or FFs)
 - PRD 81, 094006 (2010)
 - No unique color flow



Factorization and Color

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 R An exciting sub-field—lots of recent experimental activity, and theoretical questions probing deep issues of both universality and factorization in (perturbative) QCD!
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Nucleon Structure and Spin-Momentum Correlations

Transversity : correlation between transverse proton spin and quark spin

 $S_p - S_q - coupling?$

Sivers : correlation between transverse proton spin and quark transverse momentum $S_0 - L_0 - coupling$??

Boer-Mulders: correlation between transverse quark spin and quark transverse momentum $S_0 - L_0 - coupling$??



Nucleon Structure and Spin-Momentum Correlations

Transversity : correlation between transverse proton spin and quark spin

Long-term goal: Description of the nucleon in terms of the quark and gluon wavefunctions!

spin and quark transverse momentum S_o-- L_o- coupling???

Boer-Mulders: correlation between transverse quark spin and quark transverse momentum

S_q-- L_q- coupling???







Glancing Into the Future: The Electron-Ion Collider

• Design and build a new facility with the capability of colliding a beam of electrons with a wide variety of nuclei as well as polarized protons and light ions: the Electron-Ion Collider



Add electron ring to RHIC at BNL, or hadron facility to CEBAF at JlLab. Ongoing INT workshop in Seattle this fall: <u>http://www.int.washington.edu/PROGRAMS/10-3/</u>



Conclusions and Prospects

- After > 40 years of studying the internal structure of the nucleon and nuclei, we remain far from the ultimate goal of being able to describe nuclear matter in terms of its quark and gluon degrees of freedom!
- Further data from RHIC will better constrain the gluon and flavorseparated sea quark helicity distributions in the proton, and continue to push forward knowledge of the quantum mechanical spin-momentum correlations of partons in nucleons.
 - Documents outlining plans for the next decade submitted to BNL management by PHENIX and STAR last week!
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There's a large and diverse community of *people—at RHIC and complementary* facilities—driven to continue coaxing the secrets out of one of the most fundamental building blocks of the world around us.

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Additional Material



xg₁^p: Compilation of recent results



Phys.Rev.D75:012007,2007



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Polarization-averaged cross sections at $\sqrt{s}=200 \text{ GeV}$



Good description at 200 GeV over all rapidities down to p_T of 1-2 GeV/c.



$\sqrt{s}=62.4 \ GeV$ Forward pions



Comparison of NLO pQCD calculations with BRAHMS π data at high rapidity. The calculations are for a scale factor of $\mu=p_T$, KKP (solid) and DSS (dashed) with CTEQ5 and CTEQ6.5.

Surprisingly good description of data, in apparent disagreement with earlier analysis of ISR π^0 data at 53 GeV.

Still not so bad!



$\sqrt{s}=62.4 \ GeV$ Forward kaons



K⁻ *data* suppressed ~order of magnitude (valence quark effect).

NLO pQCD using recent DSS FF's gives ~same yield for both charges(??).

Related to FF's? PDF's??

K⁺: Not bad! K⁻: Hmm...



Fragmentation Functions (FF's): Improving Our Input for Inclusive Hadronic Probes

- FF's not directly calculable from theory—need to be measured and fitted experimentally
- The better we know the FF's, the tighter constraints we can put on the polarized parton distribution functions!
- Traditionally from e+e- data—clean system!
- Framework now developed to extract FF's using all available data from deep-inelastic scattering and hadronic collisions as well as e+e-
 - de Florian, Sassot, Stratmann: PRD75:114010 (2007) and arXiv:0707.1506



PHENIX *Extending x Coverage*



- Measure in different kinematic regions
 - e.g. forward vs. central
- Change center-of-mass energy
 - Most data so far at 200 GeV
 - Brief run in 2006 at 62.4 GeV
 - First 500 GeV data-taking to start next month!





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Neutral Pion A_{LL} *at* 62.4 *GeV*





 $x_T = \frac{2p_T}{\sqrt{s}}$

Converting to x_T , can see significance of 62.4 GeV measurement (0.08 pb⁻¹) compared to published data from 2005 at 200 GeV (3.4 pb⁻¹).

$$0.02 < x_{gluon} < 0.3 \quad (\sqrt{s} = 200 \,\text{GeV})$$

 $0.06 < x_{gluon} < 0.4 \quad (\sqrt{s} = 62.4 \,\text{GeV})$

PRD79, 012003 (2009)



Inclusion of New 2009 PHENIX $\pi^0 A_{II}$

- K. Boyle, SPIN 2010
- Include new $\pi^0 A_{II}$ data from PHENIX within DSSV framework •





Previously (DSSV)

Jet Reconstruction

- Midpoint Cone Algorithm with Split-Merge
 - Cone Radius: 0.7
 - Seed 0.5 GeV
- Dijet Cuts
 - Asymmetric pT cut
 - $\max(p_{T1}, p_{T2}) > 10$
 - $\min(p_{T1}, p_{T2}) > 7$
 - Back-to-back in φ





pQCD Scale Dependence at RHIC vs. Spin-Dependent DIS



Scale dependence benchmark:

 Tevatron
 ~ 1.2

 RHIC
 ~ 1.3

 COMPASS
 ~ 2.5 - 3

 HERMES
 ~ 4 - 5

Scale dependence at RHIC is significantly reduced compared to fixed-target polarized DIS.



Transversity vs. helicity

Prokudin et al. at Ferrara



 Solid red line – transversity distribution

 $\Delta_T q(x)$

this analysis at $Q^2 = 2.4 \text{ GeV}^2$.

2 Solid blue line – Soffer bound

 $\frac{q(x) + \Delta q(x)}{2}$

GRV98LO + GRSV98LO

Oashed line – helicity distribution

GRSV98LO

$\Delta q(x)$

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Tensor charges

$\Delta_T u = 0.59^{+0.14}_{-0.13}, \ \Delta_T d = -0.20^{+0.05}_{-0.07} \ {\rm at} \ Q^2 = 0.8 \ { m GeV^2}$



Prokudin et al. at Ferrara

 Quark-diquark model: Cloet, Bentz and Thomas PLB 659, 214 (2008), Q² = 0.4 GeV²

 CQSM: M. Wakamatsu, PLB B 653 (2007) 398 Q² = 0.3 GeV²

 Lattice QCD: M. Gockeler et al., Phys.Lett.B627:113-123,2005 , Q² = GeV²

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Neutral Pion Transverse SSA: Decrease at Low pT Now Observed





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Forward $\pi^0 A_N$ at 200 GeV: p_T dependence







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(i) Forward SSA $A_N \pi^0$ in MPC at



PHENIX π^0 results available for $\sqrt{s}=62$ GeV

- Production dominated by quark-gluon
- Similar x_F scaling to higher and lower center of masses
- Asymmetries could enter a global analysis on transverse spin asymmetries Process

contributions to π^0 , $\eta=3.3$, $\sqrt{s}=200$ GeV





Forward SSA A_N Cluster in MPC at $\sqrt{s}=200 \text{ GeV}$





Decay photon π^0 Direct photon

 $p_T(GeV/c)$



Interference Fragmentation Function to Probe Transversity



Added statistics from 2008 running. No significant asymmetries seen at mid-rapidity.

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Forward neutrons at $\sqrt{s}=200$ GeV at PHENIX

Large negative SSA observed for $x_F>0$, enhanced by requiring concidence with forward charged particles ("MinBias" trigger). No x_F dependence seen.



Forward neutrons at other energies

Significant forward neutron asymmetries observed down to 62.4 and up to 410 GeV!

$$A = \frac{N_+ - RN_-}{N_+ + RN_-}$$



Single-Spin Asymmetries for Local Polarimetry: Confirmation of Longitudinal Polarization

Spin Rotators OFF Vertical polarization

Spin Rotators ON Current Reversed! Radial polarization

Spin Rotators ON Correct Current Longitudinal polarization!





First Observation of the Collins Effect in Polarized Deep Inelastic Electron-Proton Scattering

HERMES



Collins Asymmetries in semiinclusive deep inelastic scattering $e+p \rightarrow e + \pi + X$ ~ Transversity (x) x Collins(z)





The Collins Effect Must be Present In e⁺e⁻ Annihilation into Quarks!



Collins effect in e+e-Quark fragmentation will lead to effects in di-hadron correlation measurements!


Fundamental Theoretical Work: Sivers Effect and Questions of Universality and Factorization

Annual number of publications on transverse spin in SPIRES vs time. The total number of pulications is about ~750, about 15% are experimental.



The STAR Detector at RHIC



PHENIX Detector

Philosophy:

High rate capability to measure rare probes, but limited acceptance.



2 central spectrometers -Track charged particles and detect electromagnetic processes $90^{\circ} + 90^{\circ}$ azimuth $|\eta| < 0.35$

2 forward spectrometers - Identify and track muons



BRAHMS detector



Helicity Flip Amplitudes

Elastic proton-quark scattering

(related to inelastic scattering through optical theorem)

Three independent pdf's corresponding to following helicity states:



Take linear combinations to form:

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Corresponds to the difference in probability of scattering off of a transversely polarized quark within a transversely polarized proton with the quark spin parallel vs. antiparallel to the proton's.

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Progress in pQCD Calculational Techniques 23.7 GeV!



One recent example: Almeida, Sterman, Vogelsang, PRD80, 074016 (2009) Cross section for di-hadron production vs. invariant mass using threshold resummation (rigorous method for implementing p_T and rapidity cuts on hadrons to match experiment)



38.8 GeV!

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lσ/dMdY (pb/GeV)

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