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RHIC Spin

...to study the spin structure of the proton

- •a history—from quarks to spin structure
- •Deeply Inelastic Scattering and RHIC
- •Siberian Snakes and accelerating polarized protons
- •Our plans and some results
- •Future directions



a history of the strong interaction:

1964: "quarks" ...to understand the zoo of strongly interacting particles; "color" quantum number ...to describe the Ω - (sss, S=3/2)

1967: quarks are real! ...from hard inelastic scattering of electrons from protons at SLAC

1973: the theory of QCD ...quarks and "gluons" and color; *perturbative* QCD

1980s to present: e-p and pbar-p colliders ...beautiful precision tests of pQCD, *unpolarized*

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1970s: *polarized* beams and targets

1988: the spin of the proton is **<u>not</u>** carried by its quarks!

1990s to present: <u>confirmed</u> in "DIS" fixed target experiments using electrons and muons to probe the spin structure of the proton

2001 to present: probe the spin structure of the proton using quarks and gluons (*strongly interacting probes see both the gluons and quarks in the proton*): <u>RHIC</u>

Deeply-inelastic scattering $ep \rightarrow e X$:



 $Q^2 = -q^2$



$$x \equiv \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q} = \frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + M_X^2 - m_N^2}$$

Bjorken var.



Parton Model :

Feynman; Bjorken, Paschos



(spin 1/2 !)

 crucial success for QCD : quantitative prediction of scaling violations in DIS

Christ, Hasslacher, Mueller; Georgi, Politzer; DGLAP





Polarized Deeply Inelastic Scattering

- advent of polarized electron beams 1972
- first polarized DIS (SLAC E-80) 1976



 $\sigma(\Rightarrow, \Leftarrow) - \sigma(\Rightarrow, \Rightarrow) \sim \mathbf{g_1}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{Q^2})$

SLAC (E80,130,...), CERN (EMC, SMC, COMPASS), DESY (HERMES), JLab

in the parton model :

$$\Rightarrow \qquad F_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q e_q^2 \left[q(x) + \bar{q}(x) \right]$$
$$\Rightarrow \qquad f_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q e_q^2 \left[\Delta q(x) + \Delta \bar{q}(x) \right]$$



• also for g_1 scaling violations predicted in QCD:

 $g_1(x) \longrightarrow g_1(x,Q^2)$

EMC at CERN: J. Ashman et al., NPB 328, 1 (1989): polarized muons probing polarized protons





L. De Nardo (HERMES)

2006: Delta Sigma = 0.2

Quarks and anti-quarks carry 20% of proton spin

(doesn't yet include new COMPASS results)

• What else carries the proton spin ?

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

 \rightarrow How are gluons polarized ?

 \rightarrow How large are parton orbital angular mom. ?

- What are the detailed patterns of quark & antiquark polarizations ?
 → Flavor asymmetries in sea ? Strangeness ?
- What are the origins of large observed single-transverse-spin asymmetries ? What do they tell us about the nucleon ?
 - → Transverse quark pol.? Correlations spin / parton k_T ? Orbital angular momentum? Spatial distributions?

<u>Measuring the proton spin structure</u> with polarized proton probes





• this is formalized through "factorization theorems"

Sterman, Libby; Ellis et al.; Collins, Soper, Sterman



Cornerstones to the RHIC Spin program



Physical Review Letters **91**, 241803 (2003)

Cornerstones (continued)



RHIC Spin Physics Program

- *Direct measurement* of polarized gluon distribution *using multiple probes*
- Direct measurement of *anti-quark polarization* using parity violating production of W^{+/-}
- Transverse spin: Transversity & transverse spin effects: possible connections to orbital angular momentum?

RHIC Polarized Collider



2006: 1 MHz collision rate; P=0.6

The Problem of Spin Resonances

- Spin precesses about guide field (proton: 200 precessions in one turn at RHIC, 100 GeV)
- Spin precesses about horizontal magnetic fields (for example, focusing fields)
- When the 2 precessions beat, resonance condition: every 500 MeV of acceleration!
- Solution: <u>Siberian Snakes</u>



2003-4: Warm AGS Snake

Siberian Snakes



1996-2001:





Siberian Snakes

Snake: precess spin, leaving beam direction unchanged at exit of snake

Asymmetry during AGS ramp



Siberian Snakes—how they work

- Spin resonance: spin axis is no longer vertical
- Snake 1: precess spin 180 deg. about +45 deg. in horizontal plane
 - +45 deg. spin component unchanged, vert. and -45 deg. spin components flipped
- Snake 2: precess spin 180 deg. about -45 deg.
 - -45 deg. spin component unchanged, vert. and +45 deg. spin components flipped

Two snakes: vertical spin is unchanged, horizontal spin components flip each turn.

Polarization measurement on RHIC acceleration ramp, June 2006



Exquisite Control of Systematics





Yellow" beam "Blue" beam Versus

$$A_{LL} = \frac{\sigma_{++} - \sigma_{+-}}{\sigma_{++} + \sigma_{+-}} = \frac{1}{|P_B P_Y|} \frac{N_{++} / L_{++} - N_{+-} / L_{+-}}{N_{++} / L_{++} + N_{+-} / L_{+-}}$$

++ same helicity+- opposite helicity

(P) Polarization(L) Relative Luminosity(N) Number of pi0s

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PHENIX spin physics program: ΔG , $\Delta a/\Delta a$ transverse snin



Pi0 reconstruction for A_{LL}



Results obtained for four pt bins from 1 to 5 GeV/c

Pi0 peak width varies from 12 to 9.5 MeV/c² from lowest to highest pt bins

Background contribution under pi0 peak for ± 25 MeV/c² mass cut varies from 45% to 5% from lowest to highest pt bins

2003+2004 Data



ΔG Measurements by 2012

see Spin report to DOE http://spin.riken.bnl.gov/rsc/



- Final results on △G will come from combined NLO analysis of all channels at RHIC and in DIS
- RHIC measurements will span broad range in x with good precision.
 multiple channels with independent theo. and exp. uncertainties.
- Uncertainty through extrapolation to small x

 $\Delta q - \overline{\Delta} q$ at RHIC via W production



-1.0

Expected start: 2009

 $BS(\Delta g=0)$

 10^{-1}

Transverse Spin

The RHIC (STAR and BRAHMS) results at forward rapidity demonstrate that large spin effects exist in the perturbative QCD regime.

There are new results from Belle showing large fragmentation asymmetry for polarized quarks.

New HERMES results show large asymmetries for orbital angular momentum effects in polarized proton.

Physics with transverse spin at RHIC



• Transverse Physics: Measurement of transversity and study of other transverse spin effects with possible connections to orbital angular momentum

Quark Analyzing Power at Belle



Quark Analyzing Power

J.C. Collins, Nucl. Phys. B396, 161(1993)



 $= 2 E_h / \sqrt{s}$: relative hadron momentum

 $\propto \sin \phi$

Results for $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi \pi X$ for 29fb⁻¹

R. Seidl et al. (Belle), PRL 96, 232002 (2006)



Plans

Longitudinal spin

---gluon polarization at root(s)=200 GeV to 2009 ---W parity violating production: anti-quark polarizations by flavor---2009-2012, 500 GeV

<u>Transverse spin</u>

---study quark transversity, quark analyzing power, orbital angular momentum of quarks and gluons in proton

- <u>New detectors</u>: forward spectrometers (2007), micro vertex detectors (2010), endcap cal. (2012)
- **Polarized ep and eA Collider:** start 2012?

Spin is one of the most fundamental concepts in physics, deeply rooted in Poincare invariance and hence in the structure of space-time itself. All elementary particles we know today carry spin, among them the particles that are subject to the strong interactions, the spin ½ quarks and the spin 1 gluons. Spin, therefore, plays a central role also in our theory of the strong interactions, QCD, and to understand spin phenomena in QCD will help to understand QCD itself.

To contribute to this understanding is the primary goal of the spin physics program at RHIC.

Polarimetry



$$P_{B} = -\frac{1}{A_{N}} \cdot \frac{N_{left} - N_{right}}{N_{left} + N_{right}}$$

Raw asymmetries from carbon polarimeter by bunch (2005)

