

Total Gluon Helicity from Lattice without Effective Theory Matching

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Proton spin sum rule

- Proton is a composite particle with spin 1/2

Jaffe-Manohar sum rule [Jaffe and Manohar, NPB 90'](#)

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

- Complete decomposition into quark and gluon spin & orbital AM
- Gauge-dependent, but with clear partonic interpretation



Ji sum rule [Ji, PRL 97'](#)

$$\frac{1}{2} = J_q + J_g = \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Sigma + L_q + J_g$$

- Frame- and gauge-independent
- Quark and gluon contributions related to the moments of GPDs

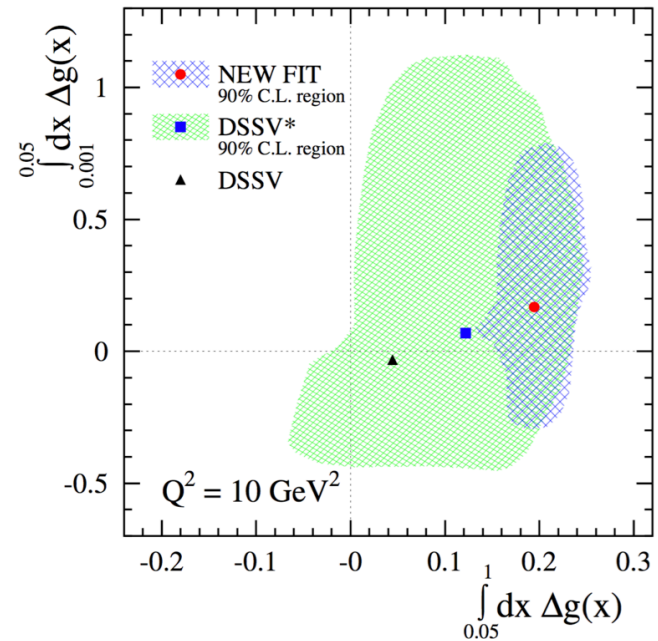
Total gluon helicity from lattice

- The total gluon helicity ΔG can be measured by probing the spin-dependent gluon helicity distribution in polarized high-energy scattering experiments

$$\Delta g(x) = \frac{i}{2xP^+} \int \frac{d\xi^-}{2\pi} e^{-ix\xi^- P^+} \langle PS | F_a^{+\mu}(\xi^-) \mathcal{L}_{ab}(\xi^-, 0) \tilde{F}_{b,\mu}^+(0) | PS \rangle$$



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



- Complicated nonlocal lightcone correlation, and reduces to $\vec{E}_a \times \vec{A}_a$ in the lightcone gauge
- Difficult to calculate from theory

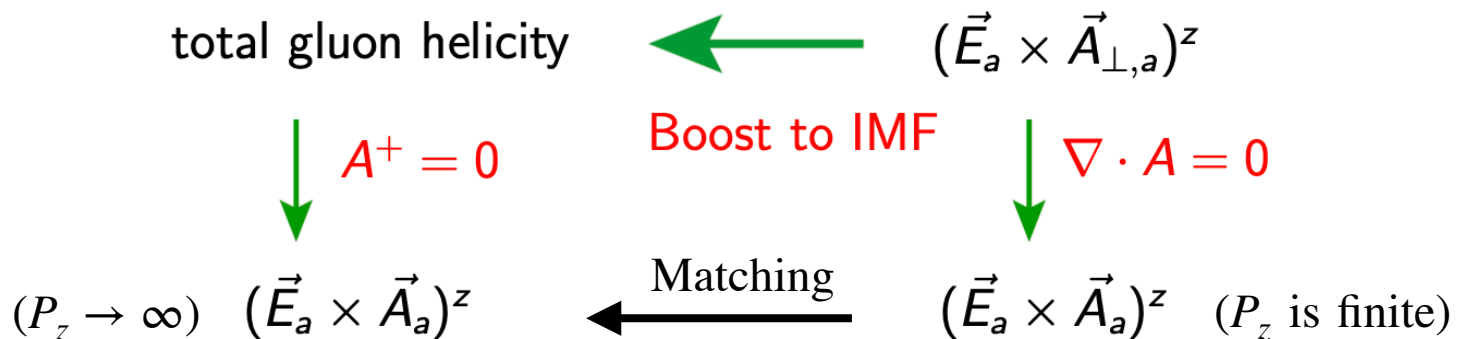
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- It has been shown that ΔG can be obtained by boosting the matrix element of the static operator $\vec{E}_a \times \vec{A}_{\perp,a}$ to the infinite momentum frame
 - \vec{A}_{\perp} is the physical part of the gauge field
 - It takes a nonlocal form in general, but reduces to \vec{A} in the Coulomb gauge

- ΔG can be calculated by studying the matrix element **Ji, JHZ, Zhao, PRL 13'**

$$\Delta \tilde{G} = \langle PS | \vec{E} \times \vec{A} | PS \rangle_{C.G.}$$

in a large momentum nucleon state (subject to a factorization/matching)



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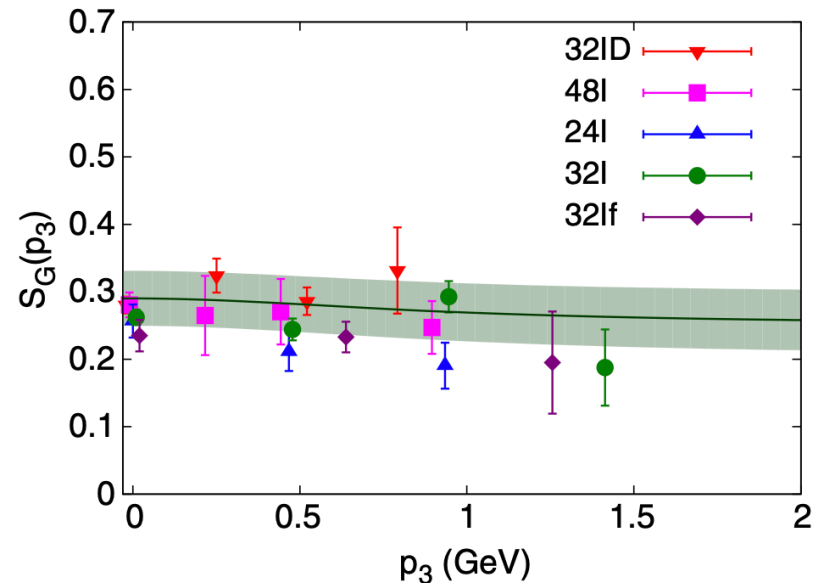
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- Lattice calculation **Yang et al, PRL 17'**

Potential improvements:

- Nonperturbative renormalization
- Perturbative matching rather than an empirical fit
- Resummations
- Control of power corrections



What if ΔG is extracted from the gluon helicity distribution?

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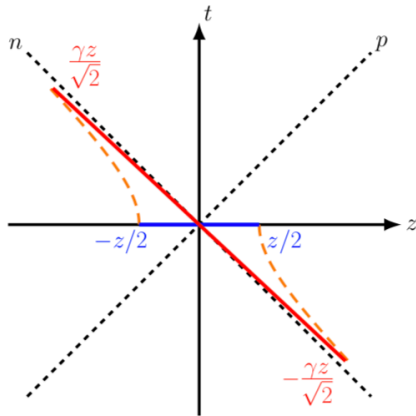
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Wang, JHZ et al, PRD 19', Yao, JHZ et al, JHEP 23'

$$\Delta\tilde{g}(x) = \int \frac{dy}{|y|} C_{gg} \left(\frac{x}{y}, \frac{\mu}{yP_z} \right) \Delta g(y) + \int \frac{dy}{|y|} C_{gq} \left(\frac{x}{y}, \frac{\mu}{yP_z} \right) \Delta q(y) + h.t.,$$

$$C_{gg} \supset \delta(1-\frac{x}{y}) + 4a_s C_A \theta(x)\theta(y-x) \left\{ \frac{(2x^2-3xy+2y^2)}{(x-y)y} \left(\ln \frac{\mu^2}{4y^2 P_z^2} - \ln \frac{x(y-x)}{y^2} \right) + \text{fin.} \right\}.$$



$$\tilde{h}(z, P_z, 1/a) = \langle PS | F^{3\mu}(z) \mathcal{L}(z, 0) \tilde{F}_\mu^0(0) | PS \rangle,$$

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- Inconsistency:**

- The intrinsic momentum scale in the matching shall be the parton momentum yP_z , not the proton momentum P_z


- Alternatively, $\int dx \Delta\tilde{g}(x) \neq C_{gg}\Delta G + C_{gq}\Delta\Sigma + h.t.$ is, in general, a convolution rather than a multiplication

Total gluon helicity without EFT matching

- This inconsistency can be resolved for certain choices of gluon operators
Pang, Yao, JHZ, JHEP 24'

$$\tilde{h}(z, P_z, \frac{1}{a}) \xrightarrow{\text{hybrid scheme}} \tilde{h}_R^{\text{hyb.}}(z, P_z) \xrightarrow{Z_T} \tilde{h}_R^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(z, P_z) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}, 1^{\text{th}} \text{ moment}} \Delta G$$

$(\langle PS | F^{3\mu} \mathcal{L}(z, 0) \tilde{F}_\mu^0(0) | PS \rangle)$



Matching coefficients between $\tilde{h}_R^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(z, P_z)$ and $h_R^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(z, P_z)$:

$$C_{gg}(\alpha, z, \mu) = \delta(\alpha) + 2a_s C_A \left\{ \left(4\alpha\bar{\alpha} + 2 \left[\frac{\bar{\alpha}^2}{\alpha} \right]_+ \right) (L_z - 1) + 6\alpha\bar{\alpha} - 4 \left[\frac{\ln(\alpha)}{\alpha} \right]_+ + (-3L_z + 2)\delta(\alpha) \right\},$$

$$C_{gq}(\alpha, z, \mu) = \frac{-2ia_s C_F}{z} \left\{ -2\alpha(L_z + 1) - 4\bar{\alpha} + L_z\delta(\alpha) \right\},$$

Matching between $\Delta\tilde{G}$ and ΔG is **trivial**:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\tilde{G}(P_z, \mu) &= \frac{1}{2P_z} \int_0^\infty dz \tilde{h}(z, P_z, \mu) \\ &= \int d\lambda \int_0^1 \frac{d\alpha}{\bar{\alpha}} \left[C_{gg}(\alpha, \frac{\lambda}{\bar{\alpha}P_z}, \mu) h_g(\lambda, \mu) + C_{gq}(\alpha, \frac{\lambda}{\bar{\alpha}P_z}, \mu) h_q(\lambda, \mu) \right] + h.t. = \Delta G + h.t., \end{aligned}$$

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- Relation to the matrix element of the topological current

$$\int_0^\infty dz \langle PS | m^{3\mu;0\mu} | PS \rangle = \langle PS | A^i B^i | PS \rangle |_{A^z=0} = \langle PS | K^0 | PS \rangle |_{A^z=0}$$

$$m^{3\mu;0\mu} = F^{3\mu}(z) \mathcal{L}(z,0) \tilde{F}_\mu^0(0)$$



Trivial matching to $\langle PS | K^+ | PS \rangle |_{A^+=0} = 4S^+ \Delta G$

Hatta et al, PRD 14'

- This is similar to fixing an axial gauge on the lattice when calculating the matrix element of the topological current
- Similar conclusion also exists for other suitably chosen operators

Total gluon helicity without EFT matching

- From local operator matrix element in a fixed gauge **Pang, Yao, JHZ, JHEP 24'**

$$\langle P'S|K^{0/z}|PS\rangle_{\text{c.g.}} \xrightarrow{\text{IMF}} \langle P'S|K^{0/z}|PS\rangle_{A^+=0}$$

- But we shall start from the non-forward matrix element and take a special forward limit
- The forward limit suffers from some subtlety that can be best elucidated by examining its non-forward matrix element

$$\begin{aligned}\langle P'S|K^\mu|PS\rangle_{\nabla\cdot A=0,\text{finite}} &= S^\mu a_1 + \text{h.t.}, \\ \langle P'S|K^\mu|PS\rangle_{\nabla\cdot A=0,\text{pole}} &= \frac{S^\mu}{S\cdot q} b_1 + \text{h.t.}\end{aligned}$$

- b_1 can lead to contributions that contaminate ΔG , and can be safely ignored by taking the forward limit along the direction $q^+ \gg \{q_\perp, q^-\}$

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The bare result $\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} \langle P'S|K^{0/z}|PS\rangle_{\text{C.G.}}$ needs to be renormalized, we adopt RI/MOM scheme:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Delta G_R^{\text{RI}} \\ \Delta \Sigma_R^{\text{RI}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11}^{\text{RI}} & Z_{12}^{\text{RI}} \\ Z_{21}^{\text{RI}} & Z_{22}^{\text{RI}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta G_B \\ \Delta \Sigma_B \end{pmatrix},$$

The perturbative gauge-invariance of $\langle PS|K^{0/z}|PS\rangle$ has been used.

The conversion factor from RI scheme to $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme is derived at one-loop:

$$R_{11}^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{RI}}(\mu_R^2, \mu^2) = 1 + a_s \left[\beta_0 \ln \left(\frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2} \right) - \frac{367}{36} C_A + \frac{10}{9} n_f \right],$$

$$R_{12}^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{RI}}(\mu_R^2, \mu^2) = a_s C_F \left[3 \ln \left(\frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2} \right) - 6 \right],$$

$$R_{21}^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{RI}}(\mu_R^2, \mu^2) = -2a_s C_F,$$

$$R_{22}^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{RI}}(\mu_R^2, \mu^2) = 1.$$

Summary and outlook

- Understanding the spin structure of the proton is an important goal of the EicC/EIC program
- The total gluon helicity ΔG can be accessed on the lattice, two different types of approaches
 - From local operator matrix element in an appropriately fixed gauge
 - From the gluon helicity distribution $\Delta g(x)$
- Inconsistency in the factorization relations is resolved by utilizing suitable gluon operators that do not require an EFT matching
 - In particular, no Fourier transform is needed in the second approach
- Many systematic improvements need to be done