Proton structure...

...what hides inside nucleons and how to measure it?

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Rutherford scattering - probing atoms

- Scattering of α particles on a gold foil
- Small scattering angles expected \rightarrow large angles observed
- Positive charge and most of the mass are concentrated in the centre of the atom in a small volume

 $\rightarrow \, \text{nucleus}$

• Proton discovered in further experiments.







$$e(k) + A \rightarrow e(k') + A;$$
 $k - k' = Q^2$

- Measurements of the charge distribution of nuclei.
- Modification of point-like scattering cross section

 $\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{d\Omega} = |F(Q^2)|^2 \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\mathrm{point}}$

ightarrow F(q) is a Fourrier transform of charge density ho(r) – form factor.

• Parametrization of the size of nuclei

$$r = r_0 A^{1/3}$$
 [fm]

• Size of the proton $r_p pprox 1 \ {
m fm}$



Deep inelastic scattering (DIS) - probing nucleons

$$e(k) + p \rightarrow e(k') + X$$

- In order to see smaller structures, one needs highly energetic probe
- With high Q^2 photons, one can distinguish structure at sub-nucleonic scale



M. Thomson - Modern Particle Physics, Cambridge Uni. Press, 2013

• DIS cross section

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2\sigma}{\mathrm{d}x\mathrm{d}Q^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \left[y^2 F_1(x,Q^2) + (1-y)\frac{F_2(x,Q^2)}{x} \right]$$

• F_1 , F_2 – structure functions, include photon-proton interaction.



DIS in Feynmann's parton model picture

- Scattering of γ^* on one of the constituent partons.
- Infinite momentum frame incoming particles carry only longitudinal momentum.
- Partons carry fraction x of the proton momentum P.
- Electron-parton scattering cross section

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2\sigma}{\mathrm{d}x\mathrm{d}Q^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4}\left[(1-y) + \frac{y^2}{2}\right]\sum_i e_i^2 f_i(x)$$



Parton distribution functions $f_i(x)$ (PDF)

- Functions $f_i(x)$ give a probability to find a parton of kind *i* and with longitudinal momentum fraction x inside the proton.
- Bjorken scaling PDFs don't depend on Q^2 of the probing photon.
- Partons are fermions relations between PDFs and structure functions

$$F_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i e_i^2 f_i(x)$$
 $F_2(x) = \sum_i e_i^2 x f_i(x)$

 \rightarrow F₂(x) = 2xF₁(x) - Callan-Gross relation



Ann. Rev: Nucl. Sci. 22,203 (1972)

Something is clearly missing here! :(



Chýla - Quarks, partons and QCD; CERN PDFLIB

Let's add sea quarks

• proton =
$$u_v + u_v + d_v + (u_s + \bar{u}_s) + (d_s + \bar{d}_s) + (s_s + \bar{s}_s)^{[1]}$$

$$\frac{F_2^{ep}(x)}{x} = \frac{4}{9} \left[u^p(x) + \bar{u}^p(x) \right] + \frac{1}{9} \left[d^p(x) + \bar{d}^p(x) \right] + \frac{1}{9} \left[s^p(x) + \bar{s}^p(x) \right]$$
(1)

0.2

0

10-4

10⁻³

10-2

• Sum rules

$$\int_{0}^{1} u_{v}(x) dx = 2$$

$$\int_{0}^{1} d_{v}(x) dx = 1$$

$$\int_{0}^{1} [q_{s}(x) - \bar{q}_{s}(x)] dx = 0$$

$$\int_{0}^{1} [q_{s}(x) - \bar{q}_{s}(x)] dx = 0$$

This looks better. :)

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GeV++2

10-1

Is that all?

 Fraction of the proton momentum carried by all q and q

 together

$$\int_0^1 x \Sigma(x) \mathrm{d}x = \frac{18}{5} \int_0^1 F_2^{eN}(x) \mathrm{d}x$$

• Naive expectation

$$\int_0^1 x \Sigma(x) \mathrm{d}x = 1$$

• Experimental value

$$\int_0^1 x \Sigma(x) \mathrm{d}x \approx 0.5$$

• Other, electrically neutral partons in proton \rightarrow **gluons**

Also Bjorken scaling violation observed!



Evolution of proton structure

- Composition of the proton changes with x and Q^2 .
- At low energies proton dominated by valence quarks.
- At large energies gluons dominate.
- Parton distributions functions (PDF) are universal.



Are gluon densities growing to infinity?



Figure 1: Diagram picturing the QCD evolution of the partonic structure of the proton.

C. Marquet, Nucl.Phys. A904-905 (2013) 294c-301c.

- Evolution with increasing Q² described by DGLAP equations.
- By fixing the scale of the process, one can fix the position in ln Q².
- Going to smaller x, one can reach the saturation scale Q²_S(x)
 - Below Q²₅(x) → dilute regime, linear evolution of the gluon density (BFKL).
 - Above Q²₅(x) → dense regime, non-linear evolution of the gluon density (JIMWLK, BK).

Polarized PDFs

• f₁ – regular PDFs

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$$g_{1i} = q_i^+(x) - q_i^-(x) = \Delta q(x)$$
 - helicity

 \rightarrow difference in probabilities to find quarks with their spin aligned or antialigned to the spin of longitudinally polarized nucleon

• h_1 – transversity

 \rightarrow correlation between the transversally aligned spins of the quark and nucleon



Measurement of polarized PDFs

- Polarized PDFs give complete description of the nucleon structure in terms of *x* and spins.
- Measurement through polarized deep inelastic scattering
 - \rightarrow longitudinally polarized leptons
 - \rightarrow longitudinally/transversally polarized nucleons



Adding transverse degree of freedom in momentum space

- In addiction to longitudinal momenta of partons, we consider also their intrinsic transverse momenta k_x, k_y
- The simplest transverse momentum distribution unpolarized PDF with \vec{k}_T -dependence

$$f_1^q(x, \vec{k}_T)$$

• PDF obtained back by integrating over \vec{k}_T : $\int d\vec{k}_T f_1^q(x, \vec{k}_T) = f_1^q(x)$



How do we know partons carry transverse momentum?

- For a fast moving proton $k_T \ll xP$
- One can use transverse spin can correlate with parton's \vec{k}_T as a probe.
- Single transverse spin asymmetry (SSA)
 - "Left-right" asymmetry of produced particles from the hadronic scattering of transversaly polarized protons by an unpolarized proton.
 - Should vanish if partons have only longitudinal momenta.

$$A_N = \frac{L-R}{L+R} = \frac{\sigma^{\uparrow} - \sigma}{\sigma^{\uparrow} + \sigma}$$



STAR Collaboration, Phys. Rev. D 86, 051101

Processes suitable for measuring TMDs

- TMDs are not universal (unlike PDFs) \rightarrow process dependent
 - \rightarrow however universality can be restored
- Several available processes
 - Semi-inclusive deep inelastic scattering $(e + p \rightarrow e' + h + X)$ COMPASS (SPS - CERN), HERMES (DESY), JLab, EIC
 - Drell-Yan process $(h_A + h_B \rightarrow l^+ + l^-)$ PANDA (FAIR), COMPASS
 - Diffractive dijet production $(p + A \rightarrow dijets + X)$
 - $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \text{pions} \text{BELLE}$, BaBar
- Final-state transverse momentum << hardest scale in the process.



SIDIS (TMDs convoluted with fragmentation functions)



Drell-Yan (direct acces to TMDs)

Transverse momentum distribution (TMD) functions

- At LO, 8 TMDs are needed for full description of nucleon structure
- 5 new distributions vanish when integrating over \vec{k}_T .
- 3 PDFs are the only TMDs which survive integration over \vec{k}_T .



Sivers function

- Sivers function unpolarized quark distribution in a transversely polarized proton.
- Introduced by D. Sivers to describe SSA measured in inclusive hadron production in pp
- Due to the presence of non-zero phase, the time reversal causes

$$f_{1T}^{\perp q}(SIDIS) = -f_{1T}^{\perp q}(DY)$$

• Measurement of the Sivers function in SIDIS – separation of $f_{1T}^{\perp q}$ through angular dependence



HERMES Collaboration, Phys. Rev. Lett 103, 152002



A. Accardi et al., Eur. Phys. J. A52, no. 9, 268 (2016)

- From naive quark model spins of valence quarks sum up to nucleon spin
- "Spin crisis" in 1987
 - EMC experiment (CERN) announced an unexpected small value of quark contribution to the proton spin $\Delta\Sigma=0.12\pm0.09\pm0.14$
 - Today $\Delta\Sigma\approx 30\%$

Decomposition of the proton spin:



Y. Hatta, lecture given at CFNS Summer School 2019





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Orbital angular momentum (OAM) of partons

- Should contribute to the proton spin.
- TMDs provide correlations of transverse motion with quark spin and orbital motion
- Off-diagonal TMDs would vanish for zero orbital angular momentum of partons.
- Experimentally unexplored area proposed measurements with SoLID in JLab



C. Lorcé, B. Pasquini, X. Xiong, and F. Yuan, Phys. Rev. D 85, 114006

Adding transverse degree of freedom in position space

- In addiction to longitudinal momenta of partons, we consider also their intrinsic transverse positions b_x, b_y
- Described by impact-parameter distributions $f(x, \vec{b})$
- Impact parameter \vec{b} is a Fourier conjugate variable to $\vec{\Delta}$,

where $ec{\Delta}^2 = -t = -(P-P')^2$



Generalized parton distributions (GPD)

- Transformation $\vec{b}
 ightarrow \vec{\Delta}^2$ and non-zero ξ (longitudinal momentum fraction).
- Unification of the concepts of parton distributions and hadronic form factors.
- Special case for zero ξ , t "standard" collinear PDFs

$$H^{q}(x,\xi=0,t=0)=q(x)$$

$$ilde{H}^q(x,\xi=0,t=0)=\Delta q(x)$$

- Also related to elastic form factors $F_1(t), F_2(t)$ (integration over x).
- In the simplest approach, there are 6 GPDs.
- GPDs are also connected to the orbital angular momentum of partons.

	U	L	T
U	H		\mathcal{E}_T
L		\widetilde{H}	
T	E		H_T, \widetilde{H}_T

Measuring GPD's

- Invariant momentum transfer $\Delta^2 \ll \Delta^2$ at the proton vertex hard scale Q^2
- Suitable processes:
 - Deep virtual Compton scattering $(e + p \rightarrow e' + \gamma + p)$
 - Exclusive processes (e.g. vector meson production $\gamma + p \rightarrow VM + p$)
- Competing processes e.g. interference of DVCS with Bethe-Heitler
- Experiments: COMPASS, PANDA, JLab, EIC,









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Wigner distributions - "mother distribution function"

- Unifies both aspects momentum and position of the transverse structure of the proton \rightarrow phase space distribution of partons
- One can derive GPDs and TMDs from it.



Parton correlation function

2-parton correlation function for guarks

$$H(k, P, \Delta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^4 z e^{izk} \left\langle p\left(P + \frac{\Delta}{2}\right) \left| \bar{q}\left(-\frac{z}{2}\right) \Gamma q\left(\frac{z}{2}\right) \right| p\left(P - \frac{\Delta}{2}\right) \right\rangle$$

 \rightarrow matrix element of the guark field operator between the proton states

• In physical observables, $H(k, P, \Delta)$ is usually integrated over one or more components of k, or they are Fourier transformed to other variables



M. Diehl. arXiv:1512.01382

How to not get lost in all the distributions...



M. Diehl, arXiv:1512.01382

Conclusions

- Various observables and effects can be quantified using a specific parton distribution(s).
- The distributions can provide information on partonic structure of the proton from different views tomography of the proton structure
 - Momentum How do the partons move inside? How is the total momentum distributed among them?
 - Positions Where are the partons located?
 - Orbital movements Do they carry orbital angular momentum?
- Origin of the measured properties of nucleons from their partonic content?
- Wide experimental efforts and plans to untangle these puzzles
 - Past and current: CERN (EMC, COMPASS), JLab, BNL, DESY (H1, ZEUS, HERMES)
 - Future: EIC, FAIR (PANDA)



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