

# *The spin of the proton*

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**It has been 30 years**  
**of the proton “spin crisis” or “spin puzzle”**

- **Spin Structure: experimentally**

$$\Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s \approx 0.020$$



$$\Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s \approx 0.3$$

**spin “crisis” or “puzzle”: where is the proton’s missing spin?**

# The Proton “Spin Crisis”

$$\Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s \approx 0.3$$

**In contradiction with the naïve quark  
model expectation:**

Naive Quark Model:

$$\Delta u = \frac{4}{3}; \quad \Delta d = -\frac{1}{3}; \quad \Delta s = 0$$

$$\Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s = 1$$

## Why there is the proton spin puzzle/crisis?

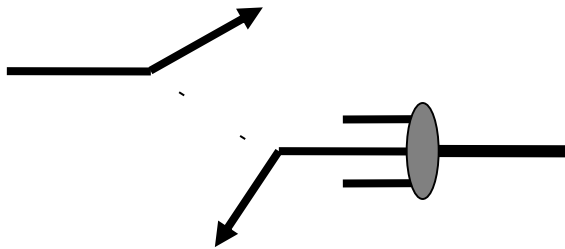
- The quark model is very successful for the classification of baryons and mesons
- The quark model is good to explain the magnetic moments of octet baryons
- The quark model gave the birth of QCD as a theory for strong interaction

**So why there is serious problem with spin of the proton  
in the quark model?**

# The parton model (Feynman 1969)

- photon scatters incoherently off massless, pointlike, spin-1/2 **quarks**
- probability that a quark carries fraction  $\xi$  of parent proton's momentum is  $q(\xi)$ , ( $0 < \xi < 1$ )

Infinite  
Momentum  
Frame



$$\begin{aligned}
 F_2(x) &= \sum_{q,\bar{q}} \int_0^1 d\xi e_q^2 \xi q(\xi) \delta(x-\xi) = \sum_{q,\bar{q}} e_q^2 x q(x) \\
 &= \frac{4}{9} x u(x) + \frac{1}{9} x d(x) + \frac{1}{9} x s(x) + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

• the functions  $u(x)$ ,  $d(x)$ ,  $s(x)$ , ... are called **parton distribution functions** (pdfs) - they encode information about the proton's deep structure

• **Parton model is established under the collinear approximation:** The transversal motion of partons is neglected or integrated over.

## How to get a clear picture of nucleon?

- PDFs are physically defined in the IMF (infinite-momentum frame) or with space-time on the light-cone.
- Whether the physical picture of a nucleon is the same in different frames?

A physical quantity defined by matrix element is frame-independent, but its physical picture is frame-dependent.

# The improvement to the parton model?

- What would be the consequence by taking into account the transversal motions of partons?
- **It might be trivial in unpolarized situation. However it brings significant influences to spin dependent quantities (helicity and transversity distributions) and transversal momentum dependent quantities (TMDs or 3dPDFs).**

# The Notion of Spin

- Related to the space-time symmetry of the Poincaré group

- Generators  $P^\mu = (H, \vec{P})$ , space-time translator

$J^{\mu\nu}$  infinitesimal Lorentz transformation

$\vec{J}$   $J^k = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_{ijk} J^{ij}$  angular momentum

$\vec{K}$   $K^k = J^{k0}$  boost generator

Pauli-Lubanski vector  $w_\mu = \frac{1}{2} J^{\rho\sigma} P^\nu \varepsilon_{\nu\rho\sigma\mu}$

Casimir operators:  $P^2 = P^\mu P_\mu = m^2$  mass

$w^2 = w^\mu w_\mu = s^2$  spin



# The Wigner Rotation

for a rest particle  $(m, \vec{0}) = p^\mu$   $(0, \vec{s}) = w^\mu$

for a moving particle  $L(p)p = (m, \vec{0})$   $(0, \vec{s}) = L(p)w / m$

$L(p)$  = rotationless Lorentz boost

Wigner Rotation

$$\vec{s}, p_\mu \rightarrow \vec{s}', p'_\mu$$

$$\vec{s}' = R_w(\Lambda, p)\vec{s} \quad p' = \Lambda p$$

$$R_w(\Lambda, p) = L(p')\Lambda L^{-1}(p) \quad \text{a pure rotation}$$

E. Wigner,  
Ann. Math. 40(1939)149

## Melosh Rotation for Spin-1/2 Particle

The connection between spin states in the rest frame  
and infinite momentum frame

Or between spin states in the conventional equal time  
dynamics and the light-front dynamics

$$\chi^\uparrow(T) = w[(q^- + m)\chi^\uparrow(F) - q^R\chi^\downarrow(F)];$$

$$\chi^\downarrow(T) = w[(q^- + m)\chi^\downarrow(F) + q^L\chi^\uparrow(F)].$$

# What is $\Delta q$ measured in DIS

- $\Delta q$  is defined by  $\Delta q s_\mu = \langle p, s | \bar{q} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 q | p, s \rangle$

$$\Delta q = \langle p, s | \bar{q} \gamma^+ \gamma_5 q | p, s \rangle$$

- Using light-cone Dirac spinors

$$\Delta q = \int_0^1 dx \left[ q^\uparrow(x) - q^\downarrow(x) \right]$$

- Using conventional Dirac spinors

$$\Delta q = \int d^3 \vec{p} M_q \left[ q^\uparrow(\vec{p}) - q^\downarrow(\vec{p}) \right]$$

$$M_q = \frac{(p_0 + p_3 + m)^2 - \vec{p}_\perp^2}{2(p_0 + p_3)(p_0 + m)}$$

Thus  $\Delta q$  is the light-cone quark spin  
or quark spin in the infinite momentum frame,  
not that in the rest frame of the proton

# The proton spin crisis

## & the Melosh-Wigner rotation

- It is shown that the proton “spin crisis” or “spin puzzle” can be understood by the relativistic effect of quark transversal motions due to the Melosh-Wigner rotation.
- The quark helicity  $\Delta q$  measured in polarized deep inelastic scattering is actually the quark spin in the infinite momentum frame or in the light-cone formalism, and it is different from the quark spin in the nucleon rest frame or in the quark model.

B.-Q. Ma, J.Phys. G 17 (1991) L53

B.-Q. Ma, Q.-R. Zhang, Z.Phys.C 58 (1993) 479-482

## Quark spin sum is not a Lorentz invariant quantity

Thus the quark spin sum equals to the proton in the rest frame does not mean that it equals to the proton spin in the infinite momentum frame

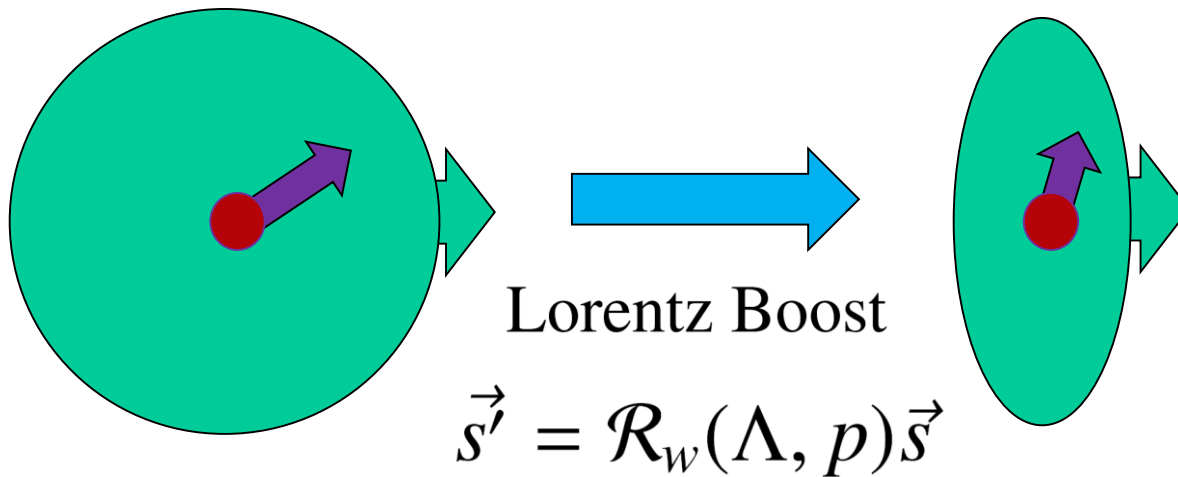
$$\sum_q \vec{s}_q = \vec{S}_p \quad \text{in the rest frame}$$

does not mean that

$$\sum_q \vec{s}_q = \vec{S}_p \quad \text{in the infinite momentum frame}$$

Therefore it is not a surprise that the quark spin sum measured in DIS does not equal to the proton spin

# An intuitive picture to understand the spin puzzle



Rest Frame

$$\Sigma \vec{s} = \vec{S}_p$$

Infinite Momentum Frame

$$\Sigma \vec{s}' \neq \vec{S}_p$$

# A general consensus

The quark helicity  $\Delta q$  defined in the infinite momentum frame is generally not the same as the constituent quark spin component in the proton rest frame, just like that it is not sensible to compare apple with orange.

H.-Y.Cheng, hep-ph/0002157,  
Chin.J.Phys.38:753,2000

## **Other approaches with same conclusion**

**Contribution from the lower component  
of Dirac spinors in the rest frame:**

**B.-Q. Ma, Q.-R. Zhang, Z.Phys.C 58 (1993) 479-482**

**D.Qing, X.-S.Chen, F.Wang, Phys.Rev.D58:114032,1998.**

**P.Zavada, Phys.Rev.D65:054040,2002.**



## The Spin Distributions in Quark Model

The spin distribution probabilities in the quark-diquark model

$$\begin{aligned}u_{V}^{\uparrow} &= \frac{1}{18}; & u_{V}^{\downarrow} &= \frac{2}{18}; & d_{V}^{\uparrow} &= \frac{2}{18}; & d_{V}^{\downarrow} &= \frac{4}{18}; \\u_{S}^{\uparrow} &= \frac{1}{2}; & u_{S}^{\downarrow} &= 0; & d_{S}^{\uparrow} &= 0; & d_{S}^{\downarrow} &= 0.\end{aligned}\quad (7)$$

Naive Quark Model:

$$\Delta u = \frac{4}{3}; \quad \Delta d = -\frac{1}{3}; \quad \Delta s = 0$$

$$\Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s = 1$$

## Relativistic Effect due to Melosh-Rotation

$$\Delta u_v(x) = u_v^\uparrow(x) - u_v^\downarrow(x) = -\frac{1}{18}a_{\uparrow\cdot}(x)W_{\uparrow\cdot}(x) + \frac{1}{2}a_S(x)W_S(x);$$

$$\Delta d_v(x) = d_v^\uparrow(x) - d_v^\downarrow(x) = -\frac{1}{9}a_{\uparrow\cdot}(x)W_{\uparrow\cdot}(x).$$

from  $a_S(x) = 2u_v(x) - d_v(x);$

$$a_{\uparrow\cdot}(x) = 3d_v(x).$$

We  
obtain

$$\Delta u_v(x) = [u_v(x) - \frac{1}{2}d_v(x)]W_S(x) - \frac{1}{6}d_v(x)W_{\uparrow\cdot}(x);$$

$$\Delta d_v(x) = -\frac{1}{3}d_v(x)W_{\uparrow\cdot}(x).$$

# Relativistic SU(6) Quark Model

## Flavor Symmetric Case

Relativistic Correction:  $M_q = 0.75$

$$\Delta u = \frac{1}{3}M_q = 1; \quad \Delta d = -\frac{1}{3}M_q = -0.25; \quad \Delta s = 0$$

$$\Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s = 0.75$$

$$F_2^n(x)/F_2^p(x) \geq \frac{2}{3} \text{ for all } x$$

# Relativistic SU(6) Quark Model

## Flavor Asymmetric Case

Relativistic Correction:  $M_u \approx 0.6$ ;  $M_d \approx 0.9$

$$\Delta u = \frac{4}{3}M_u = 0.8; \quad \Delta d = -\frac{1}{3}M_d = -0.3; \quad \Delta s = 0$$

$$\Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s \approx 0.5$$

$$F_2^n(x)/F_2^p(x) \rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \text{ at large } x$$

B.-Q.Ma, Phys. Lett. B 375 (1996) 320.

## Relativistic SU(6) Quark Model

### Flavor Asymmetric Case + Intrinsic Sea

For Intrinsic  $d\bar{d}$  Sea ( $\sim 15\%$ ):  $\Delta d_{sea} \approx -0.07$

For Intrinsic  $s\bar{s}$  Sea ( $\sim 5\%$ ):  $\Delta s_{sea} \approx -0.03$

Thus:  $\Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s + \Delta d_{sea} + \Delta s_{sea} \approx 0.4$

S. J. Brodsky and B.-Q. Ma, Phys. Lett. B 381 (1996) 317.

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Eur.Phys.J.A12(2001)353

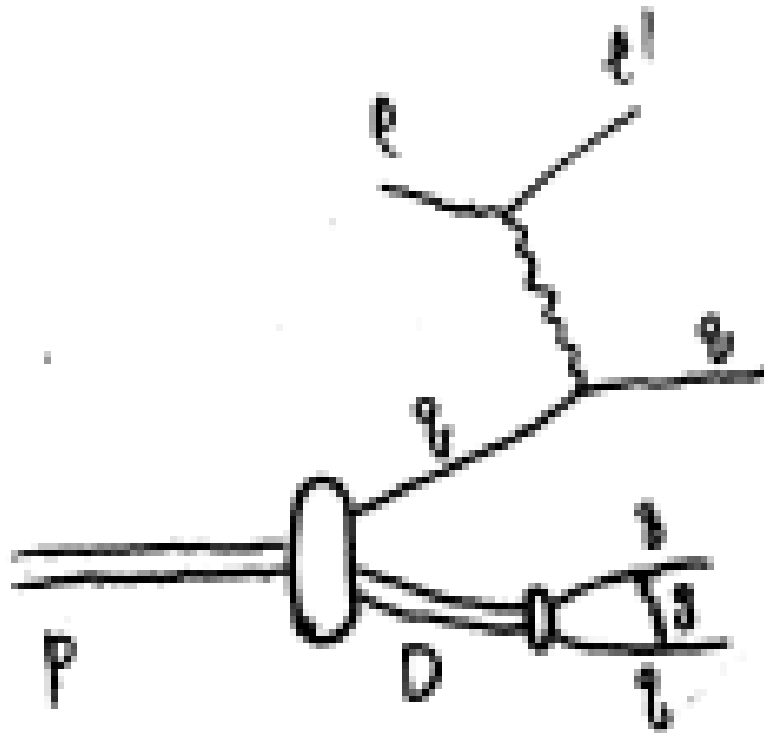
Understanding the Proton Spin "Puzzle" with a New "Minimal" Quark Model

Three quark valence component could be as large as 70% to account for the data

B.-Q. Ma, Phys.Lett. B 375 (1996) 320-326.

B.-Q. Ma, I.Schmidt, J.Soffer, Phys.Lett. B 441 (1998) 461-467.

## A relativistic quark-diquark model



## A relativistic quark-diquark model

- The unpolarized distribution of quark  $q$  in hadron  $h$  can be written as

$$q(x) = c_q^S a_S(x) + c_q^V a_V(x),$$

where  $a_D(x)$  is

$$a_D(x) \propto \int [d^2 \mathbf{k}_\perp] |\phi(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp)|^2 \quad (D = S \text{ or } V),$$

- BHL prescription of the light-cone momentum space wave function for quark-diquark

$$\phi(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) = A_D \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{8\alpha_D^2} \left[ \frac{m_q^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{x} + \frac{m_D^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{1-x} \right] \right\},$$

## A relativistic quark-diquark model

- longitudinally polarized quark distribution

$$\Delta q(x) = \tilde{c}_q^S \tilde{a}_S(x) + \tilde{c}_q^V \tilde{a}_V(x)$$

where

$$\tilde{a}_D(x) = \int [d^2 \mathbf{k}_\perp] W_D(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) |\phi(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp)|^2 \quad (D = S \text{ or } V)$$

- Melosh-Winger rotation factor

Longitudinally polarized

$$W_D(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) = \frac{(k^+ + m_q)^2 - \mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{(k^+ + m_q)^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2}$$

where  $k^+ = x\mathcal{M}$ ,  $\mathcal{M}^2 = \frac{m_q^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{x} + \frac{m_D^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{1-x}$ .



# The Melosh–Wigner rotation

in pQCD based parametrization of quark helicity distributions

**“The helicity distributions measured on the light-cone are related by a Wigner rotation (Melosh transformation) to the ordinary spin  $S_i^z$  of the quarks in an equal-time rest-frame wavefunction description. Thus, due to the non-collinearity of the quarks, one cannot expect that the quark helicities will sum simply to the proton spin.”**

**S.J.Brodsky, M.Burkardt, and I.Schmidt,  
Nucl.Phys.B441 (1995) 197-214, p.202**

## pQCD counting rule

$$q_h^\pm \propto (1-x)^p$$

$$p = 2n - 1 + 2|\Delta s_z| \quad \Delta s_z = s_q - s_N$$

- **Based on the minimum connected tree graph of hard gluon exchanges.**
- **“Helicity retention” is predicted -- The helicity of a valence quark will match that of the parent nucleon.**

# Parameters in pQCD counting rule analysis

In leading term

$$q_i^+ = \frac{\tilde{A}_{q_i}}{B_3} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1-x)^3$$

$$q_i^- = \frac{\tilde{C}_{q_i}}{B_5} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1-x)^5$$

Baryon	$q_1$	$q_2$	$\tilde{A}_{q_1}$	$\tilde{C}_{q_1}$	$\tilde{A}_{q_2}$	$\tilde{C}_{q_2}$
$p$	$u$	$d$	1.375	0.625	0.275	0.725

B.-Q. Ma, I. Schmidt, J.-J. Yang, Phys.Rev.D63(2001) 037501.

New Development: H. Avakian, S.J.Brodsky, D.Boer, F.Yuan, Phys.Rev.Lett.99:082001,2007.

# Two different sets of parton distributions

- SU(6) quark-diquark model

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta u_v(x) &= [u_v(x) - \frac{1}{2}d_v(x)]W_S(x) - \frac{1}{6}d_v(x)W_V(x), \\ \Delta d_v(x) &= -\frac{1}{3}d_v(x)W_V(x).\end{aligned}$$

- pQCD based counting rule analysis

$$\begin{aligned}u_v^{\text{pQCD}}(x) &= u_v^{\text{para}}(x), \\ d_v^{\text{pQCD}}(x) &= \frac{d_v^{\text{th}}(x)}{u_v^{\text{th}}(x)} u_v^{\text{para}}(x), \\ \Delta u_v^{\text{pQCD}}(x) &= \frac{\Delta u_v^{\text{th}}(x)}{u_v^{\text{th}}(x)} u_v^{\text{para}}(x), \\ \Delta d_v^{\text{pQCD}}(x) &= \frac{\Delta d_v^{\text{th}}(x)}{u_v^{\text{th}}(x)} u_v^{\text{para}}(x),\end{aligned}$$

- CTEQ5 set 3 as input.

# Different predictions in two models

## Helicity distribution

- SU(6) quark-diquark model:

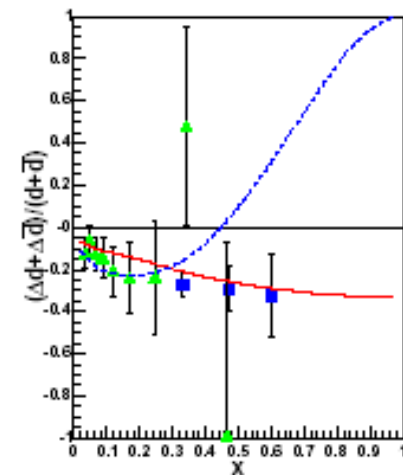
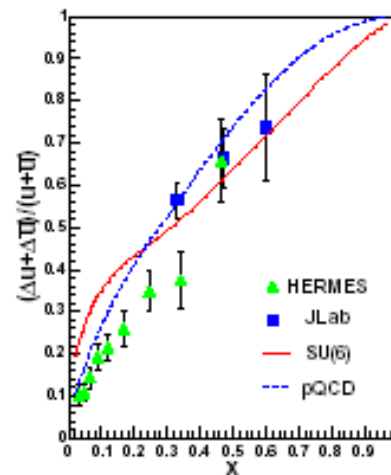
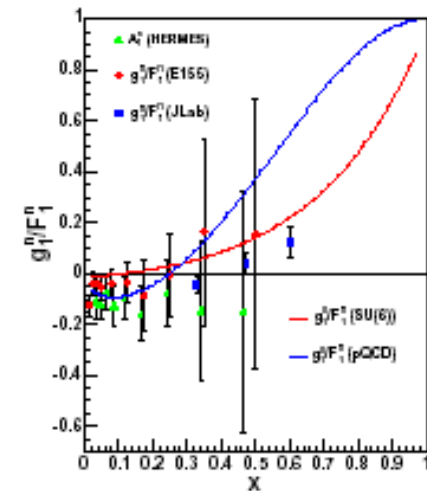
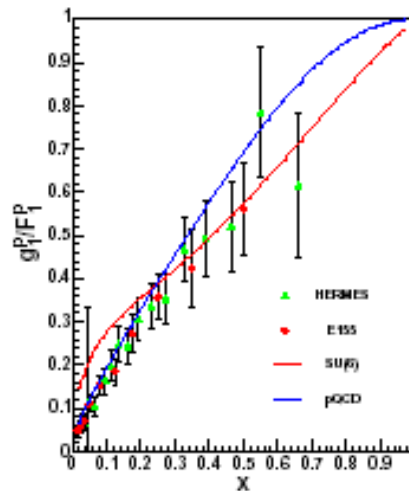
$$\Delta u(x)/u(x) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } x \rightarrow 1.$$

$$\Delta d(x)/d(x) \rightarrow -\frac{1}{3} \text{ as } x \rightarrow 1.$$

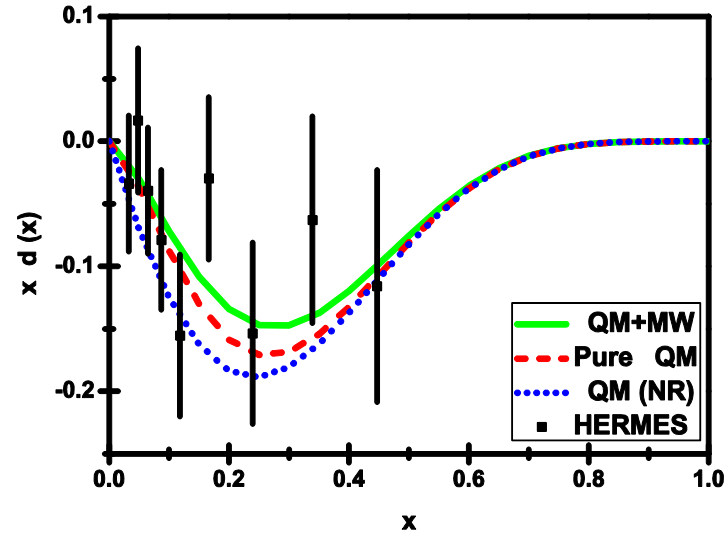
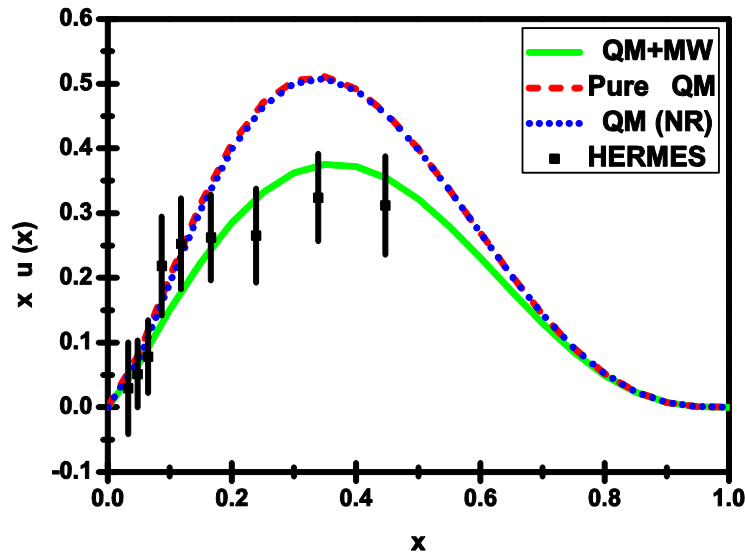
- pQCD based counting rule analysis:

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# The proton spin in a light-cone chiral quark model



An upgrade of previous work by including Melosh-Wigner rotation: T. P. Cheng and L. F. Li, PRL 74 (1995) 2872

## **Chances: New Research Directions**

- New quantities: Transversity, Generalized Parton Distributions, Collins Functions, Silver Functions, Boer-Mulders Functions, Pretzelosity, Wigner Distributions
- Hyperon Physics: The spin structure of Lambda and Sigma hyperons

B.-Q. Ma, I. Schmidt, J.-J. Yang, PLB 477 (2000) 107, PRD 61 (2000) 034017  
B.-Q. Ma, J. Soffer, PRL 82 (1999) 2250

# The Melosh-Wigner Rotation in Transversity

$$2\delta q = \langle p, \uparrow | \bar{q}_\lambda \gamma^\perp \gamma^+ q_{-\lambda} | p, \downarrow \rangle$$

$$\delta q(x) = \int [d^2 k_\perp] \tilde{M}_q(x, k_\perp) \Delta q_{\text{RF}}(x, k_\perp)$$

$$\tilde{M}_q(x, k_\perp) = \frac{(k^+ + m)^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + k_\perp^2}$$

I.Schmidt&J.Soffer, Phys.Lett.B 407 (1997) 331

B.-Q. Ma, I. Schmidt, J. Soffer, Phys.Lett. B 441 (1998) 461-467.



# The Melosh-Wigner Rotation in Quark Orbital Angular Momentum

$$\hat{L}_q = -i \left( k_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial k_2} - k_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial k_1} \right).$$

$$L_q(x) = \int [d^2 k_\perp] M_L(x, k_\perp) \Delta q_{QM}(x, k_\perp)$$

$$M_L(x, k_\perp) = \frac{k_\perp^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + k_\perp^2}$$

Ma&Schmidt, Phys.Rev.D 58 (1998) 096008

# Spin and orbital sum in light-cone formalism

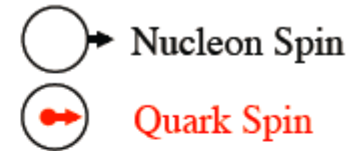
$$\frac{1}{2}M_q + M_L = \frac{1}{2}$$





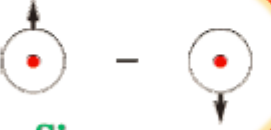



$$M_q(x, k_\perp) = \frac{(k^+ + m)^2 - k_\perp^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + k_\perp^2} \quad M_L(x, k_\perp) = \frac{k_\perp^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + k_\perp^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\Delta q(x) + L_q(x) = \frac{1}{2}\Delta q_{QM}(x)$$

**Ma&Schmidt, Phys.Rev.D 58 (1998) 096008**

# Leading-Twist TMD PDFs



		Quark polarization		
		Unpolarized (U)	Longitudinally Polarized (L)	Transversely Polarized (T)
Nucleon Polarization	U	$f_1$ 		$h_1^\perp$  Boer-Mulders
	L		$g_1$  Helicity	$h_{1L}^\perp$  Long-Transversity
	T	$f_{1T}^\perp$  Sivers	$g_{1T}$  Trans-Helicity	$h_1$  Transversity $h_{1T}^\perp$  Pretzelosity

# The Melosh-Wigner Rotation in “Pretzelocity”

$$g_1^q(x, k_\perp) - h_1^q(x, k_\perp) = h_{1T}^{\perp(1)q}(x, k_\perp) .$$

$$\frac{(k^+ + m)^2 - \mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2} - \frac{(k^+ + m)^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2} = -\frac{\mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2}$$



$$\text{Pretzelocity} = \Delta q - \delta q = -L_q$$

$$\text{Pretzelocity} = - \int [d^2 \mathbf{k}_\perp] \frac{\mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2} \Delta q_{QM}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$$

J.She, J.Zhu, B.-Q.Ma, Phys.Rev.D79 (2009) 054008

## New Sum Rule of Physical Observables

$$g_1^q(x, k_\perp) - h_1^q(x, k_\perp) = h_{1T}^{\perp(1)q}(x, k_\perp) .$$

$$\frac{(k^+ + m)^2 - \mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2} - \frac{(k^+ + m)^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2} = -\frac{\mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{(k^+ + m)^2 + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2}$$



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## The Melosh-Wigner Rotation in five 3dPDFs

分布函数	Melosh转动因子 ( $W_D(D = V, S)$ )
$g_{1L}$	$[(x\mathcal{M}_D + m_q)^2 - p_{\perp}^2] / [(x\mathcal{M}_D + m_q)^2 + p_{\perp}^2]$
$g_{1T}$	$2M_N(x\mathcal{M}_D + m_q) / [(x\mathcal{M}_D + m_q)^2 + p_{\perp}^2]$
$h_1$	$(x\mathcal{M}_D + m_q)^2 / [(x\mathcal{M}_D + m_q)^2 + p_{\perp}^2]$
$h_{1L}^{\perp}$	$-2M_N(x\mathcal{M}_D + m_q) / [(x\mathcal{M}_D + m_q)^2 + p_{\perp}^2]$
$h_{1T}^{\perp}$	$-2M_N^2 / [(x\mathcal{M}_D + m_q)^2 + p_{\perp}^2]$

$\mathcal{M}_D^2 = \frac{m_q^2 + p_{\perp}^2}{x} + \frac{m_D^2 + p_{\perp}^2}{1-x}$  是旁观双夸克的不变质量。

# Names for New (tmd) PDF: $g_{1T}$ and $h_{1L}^\perp$

$g_{1T}$  trans-helicity 横纵度

$h_{1L}^\perp$  longi-transversity / heli-transversity 纵横度

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Proposal for measuring new transverse momentum dependent parton distributions  $g_{1T}$  and  $h_{1L}^\perp$  through semi-inclusive deep inelastic scattering

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# The Necessity of Polarized p pbar Collider

The polarized proton antiproton Drell-Yan process

**is ideal to measure**

**the pretzelosity distributions of the nucleon.**

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# Probing Pretzelosity in pion p Drell-Yan Process

COMPASS pion p Drell-Yan process

**can also measure**

**the pretzelosity distributions of the nucleon.**

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Single spin asymmetry in  $\pi p$  Drell-Yan process

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## Azimuthal asymmetries in lepton-pair production at a fixed-target experiment using the LHC beams (AFTER)

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unpolarized and single polarized  $pp$  and  $pd$  processes. We conclude that it is feasible to measure these azimuthal asymmetries, consequently the three-dimensional or transverse momentum dependent parton distribution functions (3dPDFs or TMDs), at this new AFTER facility.

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## Quark Wigner distributions in a light-cone spectator model

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We investigate the quark Wigner distributions in a light-cone spectator model. The Wigner distribution, as a quasidistribution function, provides the most general one-parton information in a hadron. Combining the polarization configurations, unpolarized, longitudinal polarized, or transversal polarized, of the quark and the proton, we can define 16 independent Wigner distributions at leading twist. We calculate all these Wigner distributions for the  $u$  quark and the  $d$  quark, respectively. In our calculation, both the scalar and the axial-vector spectators are included, and the Melosh–Wigner rotation effects for both the quark and the axial-vector spectator are taken into account. The results provide us a very rich picture of the quark structure in the proton.

# Three QCD spin sums for the proton spin

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{J}_{QCD} &= \int d^3x \psi^\dagger \frac{\vec{\Sigma}}{2} \psi + \int d^3x \psi^\dagger \vec{x} \times (-i\nabla) \psi \\ &\quad + \int d^3x \vec{E}^a \times \vec{A}^a + \int d^3x E^{ai} \vec{x} \times \nabla A^{ai} \\ &\equiv \vec{S}_q + \vec{L}_q + \vec{S}_g + \vec{L}_g,\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{J}_{QCD} &= \int d^3x \psi^\dagger \frac{\vec{\Sigma}}{2} \psi + \int d^3x \psi^\dagger \vec{x} \times (-i\vec{D}) \psi + \int d^3x \vec{x} \times (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) \\ &\equiv \vec{S}_q + \vec{L}_q + \vec{J}_g,\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{J}_{QCD} &= \int d^3x \psi^\dagger \frac{\vec{\Sigma}}{2} \psi + \int d^3x \psi^\dagger \vec{x} \times (-i\vec{D}_{pure}) \psi \\ &\quad + \int d^3x \vec{E}^a \times \vec{A}_{phys}^a + \int d^3x E^{ai} \vec{x} \times \nabla A_{phys}^{ai} \\ &\equiv \vec{S}_q + \vec{L}_q + \vec{S}_g + \vec{L}_g,\end{aligned}$$

# Angular momentum of quarks and gluons from generalized form factors

$$\vec{J}_q = \int d^3x \psi^\dagger [\vec{\gamma} \gamma_5 + \vec{x} \times (-i\vec{D})] \psi$$

$$\vec{J}_g = \int d^3x [\vec{x} \times (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})]$$

$$\langle P' | T_{q,g}^{\mu\nu} | P \rangle = \bar{U}(P') [A_{q,g}(\Delta^2) \gamma^{(\mu} \bar{P}^{\nu)} + B_{q,g}(\Delta^2) \bar{P}^{(\mu} i \sigma^{\nu)\alpha} \Delta_\alpha / 2M + C_{q,g}(\Delta^2) (\Delta^\mu \Delta^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} \Delta^2) / M + \bar{C}_{q,g}(\Delta^2) g^{\mu\nu} M] U(P),$$

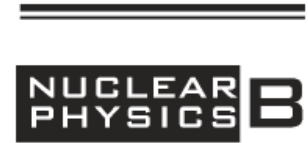
$$J_{q,g} = \frac{1}{2} [A_{q,g}(0) + B_{q,g}(0)].$$

# Angular momentum of quarks and gluons on the light-cone



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Light-cone representation of the spin and orbital  
angular momentum of relativistic  
composite systems<sup>☆</sup>

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## Angular momenta of quarks and gluons on the light-cone

$$\begin{aligned}\langle J^i \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ijk} \int d^3x \langle T^{0k} x^j - T^{0j} x^k \rangle \\ &= A(0) \langle L^i \rangle + [A(0) + B(0)] \bar{u}(P) \frac{1}{2} \sigma^i u(P).\end{aligned}$$

$$\langle J^z \rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \sigma^z \right\rangle [A(0) + B(0)].$$

One can define individual quark and gluon contributions to the total angular momentum from the matrix elements of the energy–momentum tensor [9]. However, this definition is only formal;  $A_{q,g}(0)$  can be interpreted as the light-cone momentum fraction carried by the quarks or gluons  $\langle x_{q,g} \rangle$ . The contributions from  $B_{q,g}(0)$  to  $J_z$  cancel in the sum. In fact, we shall show that the contributions to  $B(0)$  vanish when summed over the constituents of each individual Fock state.

## Sum rules of quarks and gluons on the light-cone

$$A_f(0) + A_b(0) = F_1(0) = 1,$$

which corresponds to the momentum sum rule.

$$B(0) = B_f(0) + B_b(0) = 0,$$

which is another example of the vanishing of the anomalous gravitomagnetic moment.

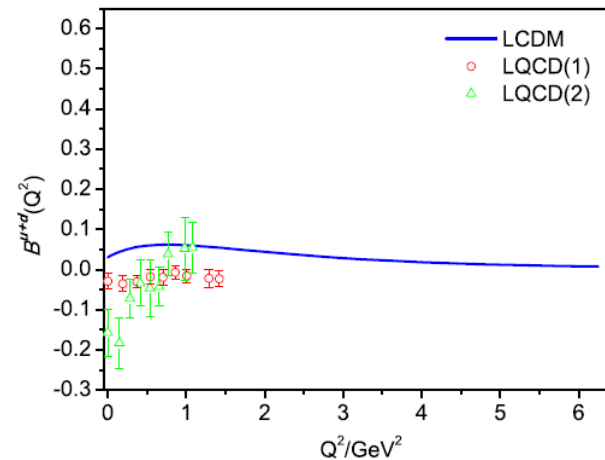
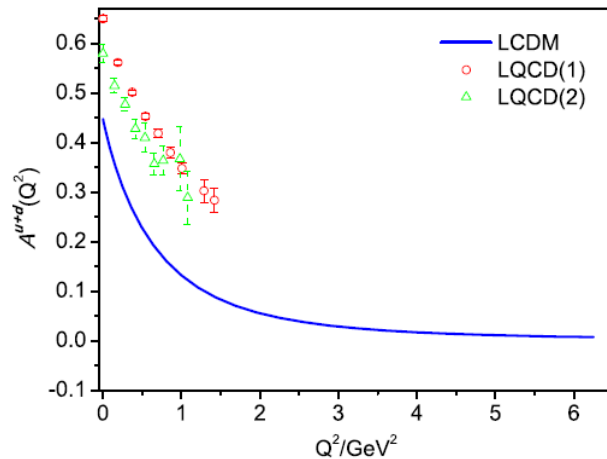
**A and B are called gravitational form factors**

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## Generalized form factors of the nucleon in a light-cone spectator-diquark model

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- **We start from a quark model with total angular momentum from quarks, but we don't have a correct sum of angular momenta from generalized form factors.**
- **The definition of quark angular momentum as from generalized form factors is artificial.**

## Arbitrary in defining angular momenta: what is C?

$$\langle J^z \rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \sigma^z \right\rangle [A(0) + B(0)].$$

$$J_{q/g} = \frac{1}{2} [A_{q/g}(0) + B_{q/g}(0)] \pm C$$

*as*  $B(0) = B_f(0) + B_b(0) = 0,$

*so*  $\langle J^z \rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \sigma^z \right\rangle [A(0) + \text{X}(0)].$

*so*  $J_{q,g} = \frac{1}{2} [A_{q,g}(0) + \text{X}_g(0)].$

**But A(0) is the momentum fraction, not angular momentum**

# A simple QED system as thought experiment

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## Angular momentum decomposition from a QED example

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We investigate the angular momentum decomposition with a quantum electrodynamics example to clarify the proton spin decomposition debates. We adopt the light-front formalism where the parton model is well defined. We prove that the sum of fermion and boson angular momenta is equal to half the sum of the two gravitational form factors  $A(0)$  and  $B(0)$ , as is well known. However, the suggestion to make a separation of the above relation into the fermion and boson pieces, as a way to measure the orbital angular momentum of fermions or bosons, respectively, is not justified from our explicit calculation.

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## A simple QED system as thought experiment: an electron

$$\psi_{\uparrow+}^{\uparrow} = \frac{k^1 - ik^2}{x(1-x)} \phi(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}),$$

$$\psi_{\uparrow-}^{\uparrow} = -\frac{k^1 + ik^2}{1-x} \phi(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}),$$

$$\psi_{\downarrow+}^{\uparrow} = \frac{1-x}{x} m \phi(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}),$$

$$\psi_{\downarrow-}^{\uparrow} = 0,$$

$$\phi(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}e}{\sqrt{1-x}} \frac{x(1-x)}{\vec{k}_{\perp}^2 + (1-x)^2 m^2 + x\lambda^2}$$

## A simple QED system as thought experiment: an electron

$$S_f = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2},$$

$$L_f = -\frac{e^2}{12\pi^2\epsilon} + \frac{e^2}{12\pi^2},$$

$$S_b = \frac{3e^2}{16\pi^2\epsilon} - \frac{e^2}{8\pi^2},$$

$$L_b = -\frac{5e^2}{48\pi^2\epsilon} + \frac{5e^2}{48\pi^2},$$

$$L = -\frac{3e^2}{16\pi^2\epsilon} + \frac{3e^2}{16\pi^2}.$$

$$S_f + S_b + L_f + L_b = \frac{1}{2}.$$

## A simple QED system as thought experiment: an electron

$$A_f(0) = 1 - \frac{e^2}{6\pi^2\varepsilon} + \frac{e^2}{8\pi^2}, \quad A_b(0) = \frac{e^2}{6\pi^2\varepsilon} - \frac{e^2}{8\pi^2},$$

$$B_f(0) = \frac{e^2}{12\pi^2}, \quad B_b(0) = -\frac{e^2}{12\pi^2}.$$

$$A_f(0) + A_b(0) = 1,$$

$$B_f(0) + B_b(0) = 0,$$

$$\frac{1}{2}[A(0) + B(0)] = S + L = \frac{1}{2},$$

## A simple QED system as thought experiment: an electron

$$\frac{1}{2} [A_f(0) + B_f(0)] \neq S_f + L_f,$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [A_b(0) + B_b(0)] \neq S_b + L_b.$$

**Therefore**  $J_{q,g} = \frac{1}{2} [A_{q,g}(0) + B_{q,g}(0)]$  **is unjustified.**

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# Spectator diquark model calculation

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## Quark angular momentum in a spectator model



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We cannot identify the canonical angular momentums with half the sum of gravitational form factors:

$$\frac{1}{2} [A_q^S(0) + B_q^S(0)] = 0.356 \neq J_q^S,$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [A_q^V(0) + B_q^V(0)] = -0.038 \neq J_q^V.$$

**T.Liu and B.-Q. Ma, Phys.Lett.B741 (2015) 256, arXiv:1501.00062**



# The Melosh-Wigner rotation is not the whole story

- **The role of sea is not addressed**
- **The role of gluon is not addressed**

Gluons are hidden in the spectators in our quark-diquark model

It is important to study the roles played by the sea quarks and gluons. Thus more **theoretical and experimental researches** can provide us a more completed picture of the nucleon spin structure.

# Conclusions

- The **relativistic effect** of parton transversal motions plays an significant role in spin-dependent quantities: helicity and transversity, five 3dPDFs or TMDs, GPDs, the Wigner distributions.
- It is still challenging to measure the quark orbital angular momentum:
  1. The pretzelosity with quark transversal motions is an important quantity for the **spin-orbital** correlation of the nucleon
  2. The sum rule between helicity and transversity pdfs can serve as an estimate of quark orbital angular momentum.
- It is **necessary** to push forward theoretical explorations and experimental measurements of **new quantities** of the nucleon.