

Selected results and future prospects of the high-energy polarized p+p program at RHIC at BNL





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Outline



Experimental aspects:
 RHIC / PHENIX / STAR

 Theoretical foundation

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- Selected results and future prospects
 - Gluon related studies
 - Quark / Anti-quark related studies

Summary and Outlook



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The world's first polarized proton-proton collider



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Experimental aspects - PHENIX

Overview

 \circ π^0 , n, γ

- $\eta = -\ln\left(\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right)$
- Electromagnetic Calorimeter (PbSc/PbGl) ($|n < 0.35, \phi = 2 \times \pi/2$)
- $\bullet \quad \pi^{\pm}, \, e, \, J/\psi {\rightarrow} e^{\scriptscriptstyle +} e^{\scriptscriptstyle -}$
 - Drift Chamber (DC)
 - Ring Imaging Cherenkov Detector (RICH)
 - Electromagnetic Calorimeter (PbSc/PbGl)
- $o \quad \mu, \, J/\psi {\rightarrow} \mu^{\scriptscriptstyle +} \mu^{\scriptscriptstyle -}$

□ Muon Id/Muon Tracker (1.2< $|\eta|$ <2.4 + 2 π)

- Ο π⁰, η
 - $\square MPC (3.1 < |\eta| < 3.9 + 2\pi)$
- O Relative Luminosity
 - □ Beam Beam Counter (BBC) (3.0< n<3.9)
 - Zero Degree Calorimeter (ZDC)





Experimental aspects - STAR

Overview

- Calorimetry system with 2π coverage: BEMC (-1<η<1) and EEMC (1.09<η<2)
- TPC: Tracking and particle ID (-1.3<n<1.3)
- FGT: Tracking (1<n<2)
- ZDC: Relative luminosity and local polarimetry (500GeV)
- BBC: Relative luminosity and Minimum bias trigger



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C RHIC Gluon studies: Jet-type measurements



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- Uncertainty of unpolarized gluon distribution function g(x)
 - Large uncertainties of unpolarized gluon distribution

function for $\times > 0.1$ / Challenging to provide

additional constraint from LHC experiments

- RHIC mid-rapidity jet production probes x-range around x=0.1 of approximately 0.05 < x < 0.3
- New STAR Inclusive Jet cross-section
 measurement using anti-kT algorithm with improved
 statistical precision and reduced systematic
 uncertainties will provide important and needed
 constraint on g(x) at high x





Results

Mid-rapidity Inclusive Jet cross-section measurement (1)

 Unfolded inclusive jet cross-section using anti-k_T algorithm (R=0.6) (Smaller dependence on underlying event (UE) and Pile-up)

$$\begin{split} D_{ij} &= \min\left(\frac{1}{k_{T,i}^2}, \frac{1}{k_{T,j}^2}\right) \frac{\Delta R_{ij}^2}{R} \\ \Delta R_{ij}^2 &= (\eta_i - \eta_j)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2 \qquad D_i = \frac{1}{k_{T,i}^2} \\ d &= \min\left(\{D_{ij}, D_i\}\right) \\ \text{If } d &= D_{ij}: \text{ Combine jet i and jet j} \\ \text{If } d &= D_i: \text{ Define jet i as final jet} \end{split}$$

corrected to particle level for three different pseudo-rapidity regions of $|\eta|<1$, $|\eta|<0.5$ and $0.5<|\eta|<1.0$

- Hadronization and UE corrections evaluated using PYTHIA applied to NLO calculations applied to pure NLO calculations for data comparison
- Comparison to NLO calculations for CT10, NNPDF3.0 and MRST-W2008 with a preference for CT10

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Anti-kt R=0.6 NNPDF3.0 w/ UE Corr.

Systematic Err.



STAR: Mid-rapidity Inclusive Jet cross-section measurement (Run 9) (2)

 Quantitative comparison between data and theory of (Data-Theory)/ Theory showing

UE/hadronization corrections applied to pure NLO calculations

Data systematic errors

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CT10 pdf uncertainites

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STAR: Mid-rapidity Inclusive Jet ALL measurement (Run 9) at 200GeV



0 Run 9 ALL measurement between BB10 and

DSSV / Clearly above zero at low p_T

0 Larger asymmetry at low p_T suggests larger gluon

polarization compared to DSSV

0 With global analysis, A_{LL} jet result provides

evidence for positive gluon polarization for

x>0.05



□ STAR: Mid-rapidity Inclusive Jet A_{LL} measurement (Run 12) at 510GeV



• Run 12 ALL measurement of

inclusive jets (anti- k_T

algorithm) probes smaller x

values

• Run 12 ALL measurement in

good agreement with most

recent DSSV14 fit including

Run 9 ALL results

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STAR: Mid-rapidity Inclusive Jet A_{LL} measurement (Run 9)





 $\Delta g(\mathbf{x})$ at low \mathbf{x}



D PHENIX: Mid-rapidity neutral pion ALL measurement



- Data are well described by NLO pQCD calculations
- New PHENIX Run 13 results at 510GeV

 Consistency between PHENIX and STAR results!





- DSSV*: New COMPASS inclusive and semi-inclusive results in addition to Run 5/6 RHIC updates
- DSSV NEW FIT: Strong impact on $\Delta g(x)$ with RHIC run 9 results: $0.20^{+0.06}_{-0.07}$ 90% C.L. for 0.05 < x
- Similar conclusion by independent global analysis of NNPDF: $0.23^{+0.07}_{-0.07}$ for 0.05 < x < 0.50

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\Box Impact on Δg from RHIC data



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- **C** RHIC Gluon polarization Correlation Measurements
- Correlation measurements provide access to LO partonic kinematics through Di-Jet/Hadron production and Photon-Jet production:

$$x_{1(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}} \left(p_{T_3} e^{\eta_3(-\eta_3)} + p_{T_4} e^{\eta_4(-\eta_4)} \right)$$

• Bjorken x-coverage:





Mid-rapidity STAR Di-Jet cross-section (Run 9) and ALL measurement (Run 9)



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Future prospects - Gluon polarization program

Possible forward detector layout (FCS / FTS: Forward Calor./ Tracking System)



- Efficiencies for EAST / WEST / EEMC all defined using STAR jet efficiencies. For new forward calorimeter system FCS, assume hadronic calorimetry with 0.9
- All jet calculations at NLO (Code: D. deFlorian and W. Vogelsang)
 / simulations with di-jet E_T cuts of 5GeV/8GeV (Cone algo.)
- Systematics: Relative luminosity use $\delta R = 5 \cdot 10^{-4}$ (Run 9 Inclusive Jet value)
- P/L numbers : P = 60% and L_{delivered} = 1000pb⁻¹ with 2/3 for Lrecorded / L_{delivered} (~ 1 long RHIC run!)





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Kinematic coverage - Simulations / Forward



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Probing the quark flavor structure: W boson production (2)





Results / Status - q / qbar related studies

Probing dbar / ubar ratio ar RHIC: QCD sea



- STAR coverage at mid-rapidity: 0.1 < x < 0.3 for -1 < n < 1
- Constraints on global fitting for dbar/ubar through W production at higher Q² compared E906
- Independent cross-check of Drell-Yan data

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Results / Status - q / qbar related studies

W cross-section ratio measurements



- Run 11 + Run 12 preliminary result: ~100pb⁻¹
- Run 13 data sample with ~300pb⁻¹ will provide important improvement on precision
- Planned Run 17 data sample of ~400pb⁻¹



W cross-section ratio measurements



- W boson kinematics can be determined by reconstructing the W kinematics via its recoil
- Combination of data/MC simulations allows W boson rapidity reconstruction
- Critical for transverse single-spin asymmetry result of W production probing Sivers sign change



Probing the quark flavor structure: W boson production





STAR W A_L results / projections

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Critical: Measurement of $W^{\scriptscriptstyle +}$ and $W^{\scriptscriptstyle -}$ asymmetries as a function η_e

Extension of backward / forward η_e acceptance

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polarization

 \Rightarrow STAR Forward GEM Tracker (1<|n_e|<2)

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L. Adamczyk et al. (STAR Collaboration), arXiv:1404.6880



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PHENIX W A_L mid-rapidity results



• Run 11+12: Mid-rapidity results in good agreement with DSSV14

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PHENIX W A_L mid-rapidity and forward rapidity results

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Impact of new DSSV global fit result



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Summary / Outlook

Gluon polarization program

- Several final states (Hadron / Jet) have been measured all pointing to the same conclusion that the gluon polarization is small consistent with COMPASS findings
- O Precise Run 9 ALL measurement: Non-zero ΔG of similar magnitude as quark polarization!
- First Di-Jet measurement opens the path to constrain the shape of Δg
- New inclusive jet cross-section: Important constrain for unpol. gluon at high x

W boson program

- Mid-rapidity: New W⁻ results suggest large anti-u quark polarization along with broken QCD sea
- Strong physics case of unpolarized dbar/ubar probe using W production
- Backward/Forward rapidity: Upgrade of PHENIX forward muon detector (Muon Trigger) and STAR FGT (Forward GEM Tracker)

Run 13 / 15 and future

- Run 13: Long. 510GeV Run 13 (~300pb⁻¹ rec.): W (Anti-quarks) and Jet production (Gluons)
- Run 15: 200GeV (Run 15) with long. / trans. pol. p-p running and for the first time polarized p-A running
- Future (Run 17 and beyond): Additional long 500GeV prod. runs Drell-Yan (Run 17) and Forward Di-Jets

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