

Total gluon helicity without effective theory matching

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Decomposition of the proton spin

- Ji's decomposition (Ji, 1996):

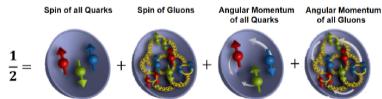
$$\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + L_q^z + J_g = \frac{\hbar}{2},$$

(gauge invariant decomposition)

- Jaffe-Manohar decomposition (Jaffe, Manohar, 1990):

$$\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + S_g + l_q + l_g = \frac{\hbar}{2},$$

(decomposition in IMF)



C. Alexandrou et al., 2020

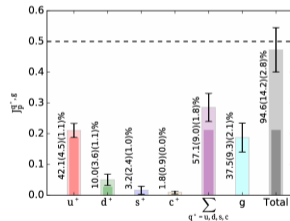


FIG. 24. The decomposition of the proton spin J . The color notation of the bars is as in Fig. 23. The second error quoted on the percentages is the systematic error from the Q^2 extrapolation needed in the determination of $B_{30}(0)$. The dashed horizontal line indicates the observed proton spin value, and the percentage is given relative to the total proton spin. Results are given in the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme at 2 GeV.

Introduction to total gluon helicity

From gluon helicity distribution to ΔG

First moment of the gluon polarized distribution gives total gluon helicity:

$$\Delta G = \int dx \frac{i}{2xP^+} \int \frac{d\xi^-}{2\pi} e^{-ix\xi^-P^+} \langle PS | F_a^{+\mu}(\xi^-) \mathcal{L}_{ab}(\xi^-, 0) \tilde{F}_{b,\mu}^+(0) | PS \rangle, \tilde{F}^{\alpha\beta} = 1/2 \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}.$$

total gluon helicity $\leftarrow \langle PS | (\vec{E}_a \times \vec{A}_{\perp,a})^z | PS \rangle$

Boost to IMF

$A^+ = 0$

$\nabla \cdot A = 0$

$\langle PS | (\vec{E}_a \times \vec{A}_a)^z | PS \rangle$

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Gluon spin

Implementable on lattice,
up to perturbative matching.

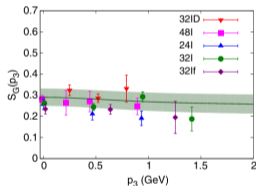


FIG. 4. The results extrapolated to the physical pion mass as a function of the absolute value of $\vec{p} = (0, 0, p_3)$, on all the five ensembles. All the results have been converted to \overline{MS} at $\mu^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$. The data on several ensembles are shifted horizontally to enhance the legibility. The green band shows the frame dependence of the global fit [with the empirical form in Eq. (11)] of the results.

Ji, Zhang, Zhao, 2013

Yang et al., 2016

Introduction to total gluon helicity

Inconsistency between different matching proposals

- Matching between $\langle PS|\vec{E} \times \vec{A}|PS\rangle|_{\text{C.G.}} (= \Delta\tilde{G})$ and total gluon helicity:

$$\Delta\tilde{G} = C_{gg}\Delta G + C_{gq}\Delta\Sigma + h.t.,$$

$$C_{gg} = 1 + a_s C_A \frac{7}{3} \ln \frac{P_z^2}{\mu^2} + \text{fin.}, \quad C_{gq} = a_s C_F \frac{4}{3} \ln \frac{P_z^2}{\mu^2} + \text{fin.}.$$

- Extract the gluon polarized distribution using LaMET, take its first moment,

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

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

- The intrinsic momentum scale in factorization is the **partonic momentum**. However, in the factorization of $\Delta\tilde{G}$, the only available momentum scale is the **hadronic momentum**.
- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \Delta\tilde{g}(x) \neq C_{gg}\Delta G + C_{gq}\Delta\Sigma + h.t.$, the r.h.s. is a **convolution** rather than a **multiplication**.

Introduction to total gluon helicity

Motivation

- (Previous proposal)

$$\langle PS | \vec{E} \times \vec{A} | PS \rangle_{\text{C.G.}} \xrightarrow{\text{IMF}} \langle PS | \vec{E} \times \vec{A} | PS \rangle_{A^+=0} \equiv \Delta G,$$

$\vec{E} \times \vec{A}$ is gauge-variant, for finite P_z , nontrivial matching exists.

- In Coulomb gauge, a nonperturbative renormalization is difficult to implement, the convergence of lattice perturbation theory is poor.
- To resolve above inconsistencies, we can choose appropriate operator O such that the matching between $\langle PS | O | PS \rangle$ and ΔG is trivial.

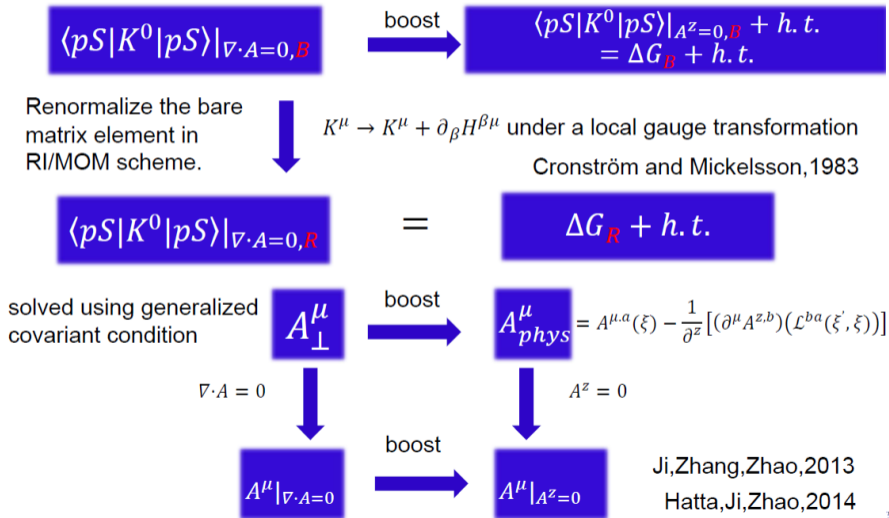
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Our proposal



Gluon helicity from local matrix element in a fixed gauge

K^μ and its matrix element

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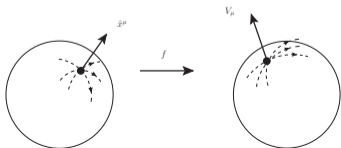
$$K_\mu \rightarrow K_\mu - \frac{2i}{g} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \partial^\alpha \text{Tr} (U^{-1} \partial^\nu U A^\beta) \\ - \frac{2}{3g^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \text{Tr} \{ U^{-1} (\partial^\nu U) U^{-1} (\partial^\alpha U) U^{-1} (\partial^\beta U) \},$$

(Belavin et al., 1973)

“large” transform



Jacobian of \mathbb{S}_3 to \mathbb{G} , $\nu \equiv \int d^4x Q(x) \sim \int_{\mathbb{S}^3} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \text{Tr} [U^\dagger (\partial_\nu U) U^\dagger (\partial_\alpha U) U^\dagger (\partial_\beta U)]$.



l.h.s: topological charge.

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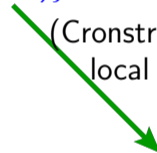
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If **three-gluon** term in K^μ exists, the forward matrix element of K^μ will have a nonperturbative gauge dependence.

Gluon helicity from local matrix element in a fixed gauge

K^μ and its matrix element

$\langle p' | K^\mu | p \rangle$ contains a gauge-dependent massless pole due to the **three-gluon term**:

$$\langle p' | K^\mu | p \rangle_{n \cdot A=0} = 4S^\mu \Delta G(n, P) + \frac{n^\mu}{n \cdot q} (-4(q \cdot S) \Delta G(n, q, P) + \frac{i}{2} \langle P' S | F^{\mu\nu, a} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}^a | PS \rangle),$$

(Balitsky and Braun, 1991)

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(Kogut and Susskind, 1973; Veneziano, 1979)

For massive Schwinger model, the pole is caused by the coupling between K^μ and a ghost (one of the Goldstone dipole), in covariant gauge.

$$\langle f | O_{\text{inv}} | i \rangle = \Sigma \left(\text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} \right) = 0 \quad \langle f | K^\mu | i \rangle = K^\mu \cdot \text{Diagram 3}$$

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In axial gauge and $\mu = 0$ ($\langle p' | K^0 | p \rangle_{A^z=0}$), the **pole term** vanishes:

$$\langle p | K^0 | p \rangle_{A^z=0} = S^0 \Delta G + h.t. \leftarrow \langle p | K^0 | p \rangle_{\nabla \cdot A=0}$$

Gluon helicity from local matrix element in a fixed gauge

Renormalization in the RI/MOM

- The bare result $\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} \langle P'S | K^{0/z} | PS \rangle_{\text{C.G.}}$ (or $\langle PS | K^{0/z} | PS \rangle_{\text{C.G.}}$) 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/MOM scheme to $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme is derived at one-loop:

$$R_{11}^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{RI}}(\mu_R^2, \mu^2) = 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left[\beta_0 \ln \left(\frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2} \right) - \frac{367}{36} C_A + \frac{10}{9} n_f \right],$$

$$R_{12}^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{RI}}(\mu_R^2, \mu^2) = \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} C_F \left[3 \ln \left(\frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2} \right) - 6 \right],$$

$$R_{21}^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{RI}}(\mu_R^2, \mu^2) = -2 \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} C_F,$$

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

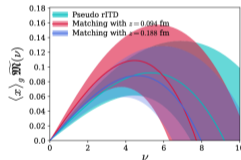
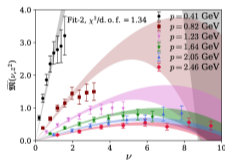
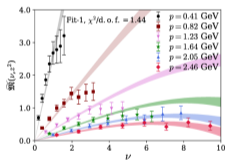
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- Besides local matrix element in a fixed gauge, one can choose specific gauge-invariant nonlocal matrix element, the matching between its first moment and ΔG is trivial in $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme.



- Previous lattice calculations of the gluon helicity distribution have large systematic uncertainty, the effect of matching is also large (Egerer et al., 2022).

Total gluon helicity from nonlocal matrix element

Basic workflow

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

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

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



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**:

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

Total gluon helicity from nonlocal matrix element

Relation to the topological current

- $\langle PS|F^{3\mu}(z)\mathcal{L}(z,0)\tilde{F}_\mu^0(0)|PS\rangle$ has a simple relation with $\langle K^0\rangle$, in the axial gauge:

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

The matching is **trivial to all orders in α_s** , due to the perturbatively gauge invariance of $\langle PS|K^\mu|PS\rangle$.

- We can construct integral of other correlations, which reduce to $\langle PS|K^\mu|PS\rangle$ in specific choice of gauge and μ :

$$\int_0^\infty dz \langle PS|\frac{1}{2}(m^{0\mu;0\mu} + m^{3\mu;3\mu})|PS\rangle = \langle PS|\frac{1}{2}\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}|PS\rangle|_{A^0=0} + \langle PS|\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{ij}(F^{i0}A^j - \frac{1}{2}A^0 F^{ij})|PS\rangle|_{A^z=0},$$
$$\int_0^\infty dz \langle PS|m^{0\mu;3\mu}|PS\rangle = \langle PS|\epsilon_{ij}F^{i0}A^j|PS\rangle|_{A^0=0}.$$

Hatta et al. 2014



Summary

- We have proposed two approaches to extract the total gluon helicity from lattice QCD. The matching coefficients are trivial in $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme, thus resolving the inconsistency between calculations based on local and nonlocal matrix elements.
- The conversion factor is calculated in the state-of-art scheme (RI/MOM scheme for local matrix element and hybrid scheme for nonlocal matrix element).
- For lattice calculations of gluon orbital angular momentum, whether there exists a proposal with trivial matching relation is under exploration.