

# Measuring Polarized Gluon Distributions by Top Pair Production Spin Correlations

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# Abstract

**Top-antitop pairs** are produced prolifically in p+p collisions at the LHC, primarily by **gluon fusion**. At intermediate values of momentum fraction  $x$  for each gluon in  $g+g \rightarrow t+\bar{t}$ , the **spin dependences** of gluon distributions leave imprints on the momentum and spin correlations of the top pairs. These correlations are distinguishable from the quark-antiquark annihilation mechanism. Decays of such spin entangled top pairs produce a variety of correlations among pairs of the 3-momenta of the decay products - particles and jets. Some different **angular correlations** will be presented and related to measurable **distributions of pairs of jets and/or leptons**. Models for spin dependent gluon transverse momentum distributions and generalized transverse momentum distributions will be used to simulate **top pair decay product spin correlations**, illustrating how to measure the gluon or quark polarizations in the colliding protons.



**Gluon Distributions**

**Transversity**

**Top quarks**

**Gluon Transversity  $\rightarrow$  Top Pair Spin Correlations**



# OUTLINE

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GLUONS  
to TOP  
quarks  
to gluons

GPD's & TMD's in Models– e.g. Reggeized spectator “flexible parameterization”

Electroproduction

Gluon GPDs Polarized Gluons?  
Transversity NOW Seen!

$t\bar{t}$  production & decay to measure Gluon polarization in  $p+p$  @ LHC. Inclusive  $\rightarrow$  TMDs

Top spin correlations & Observable quantities



# Gluon GPDs

$$\frac{1}{\bar{P}^+} \int \frac{dz^-}{2\pi} e^{ix\bar{P}^+z^-} \langle P', \Lambda' | G^{+i}(-\frac{1}{2}z) G^{+i}(\frac{1}{2}z) | P, \Lambda \rangle \Big|_{z^+=0, \vec{z}_T=0} =$$

$$\frac{1}{2\bar{P}^+} \bar{U}(P', \Lambda') [\tilde{H}^g(x, \xi, t) \gamma^+ + \tilde{E}^g(x, \xi, t) \frac{i\sigma^{+\alpha}(-\Delta_\alpha)}{2M}] U(P, \Lambda)$$

Even t-channel parity & Gluon helicity conserving

$$\frac{-i}{\bar{P}^+} \int \frac{dz^-}{2\pi} e^{ix\bar{P}^+z^-} \langle P', \Lambda' | G^{+i}(-\frac{1}{2}z) \tilde{G}^{+i}(\frac{1}{2}z) | P, \Lambda \rangle \Big|_{z^+=0, \vec{z}_T=0} =$$

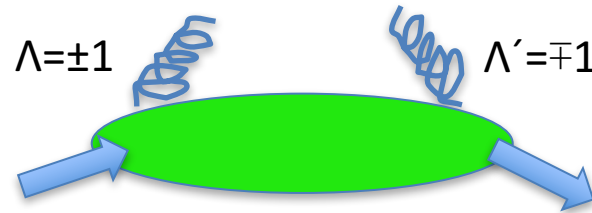
$$\frac{1}{2\bar{P}^+} \bar{U}(P', \Lambda') [\tilde{H}^g(x, \xi, t) \gamma^+ \gamma_5 + \tilde{E}^g(x, \xi, t) \frac{\gamma_5(-\Delta^+)}{2M}] U(P, \Lambda)$$

Odd t-channel parity & Gluon helicity conserving

Must have 4 more Gluon helicity **NON**conserving



# Extension to Gluon “Transversity”



$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{P^+} \int \frac{dz^-}{2\pi} e^{ixP^+z^-} \langle p', \lambda' | \mathbf{S} F^{+i}(-\frac{1}{2}z) F^{+j}(\frac{1}{2}z) | p, \lambda \rangle \Big|_{z^+=0, \mathbf{z}_T=0} \\
 &= \mathbf{S} \frac{1}{2P^+} \frac{P^+ \Delta^j - \Delta^+ P^j}{2mP^+} \\
 &\times \bar{u}(p', \lambda') \left[ \boxed{H_T^g} i\sigma^{+i} + \boxed{\tilde{H}_T^g} \frac{P^+ \Delta^i - \Delta^+ P^i}{m^2} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \boxed{E_T^g} \frac{\gamma^+ \Delta^i - \Delta^+ \gamma^i}{2m} + \boxed{\tilde{E}_T^g} \frac{\gamma^+ P^i - P^+ \gamma^i}{m} \right] u(p, \lambda).
 \end{aligned}$$

4 GPDs: see M.Diehl, EPJC19, 485 (2001)

4 Gluon helicity **NON**conserving Double flip



# Gluon "transversity"

## Double helicity flip *does not mix* with quark distributions

Transversity for **on-shell** gluons or photons : no  $|0\rangle$  helicity

$$|+1\rangle_{trans} = \{|+1\rangle + |-1\rangle\} / 2 = |-1\rangle_{trans}$$

$$|0\rangle_{trans} = \{|+1\rangle - |-1\rangle\} / \sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{helicity } |\pm 1\rangle = \{- / + \hat{x} - i \hat{y}\} / \sqrt{2}$$

$$\hat{x} = -|0\rangle_{trans} = P_{parallel}$$

Linear polarization in the plane

$$\hat{y} = i\sqrt{2} |+1\rangle_{trans} = P_{normal}$$

Linear polarization normal to the plane

GG&M.J.Moravcsik, Ann.Phys.195,213(1989).





## Using Reggeized Spectators Model Many other models & recently

How to Measure? What Processes? Long standing question.

M. Diehl, T. Gousset, B. Pire, and J. P. Ralston, Phys. Lett. B411, 193 (1997).

X. Ji and J. Osborne, UMD PP#98-074, hep-ph/9801260.

P. Kroll, M. Schurmann, and P. A. M. Guichon, Nucl. Phys. A598, 435 (1996).

P. Hoodbhoy & X. Ji, PRD58, 054006 (1998).

TMDs

P. Mulders, J. Rodrigues, PRD 63, 094021 (2001).

D. Boer, Few-Body Syst. (2017); C. Pisano, et al., JHEP 10, 024 (2013);

D. Boer, et al., PRL 106, 132001 (2011); . . . .

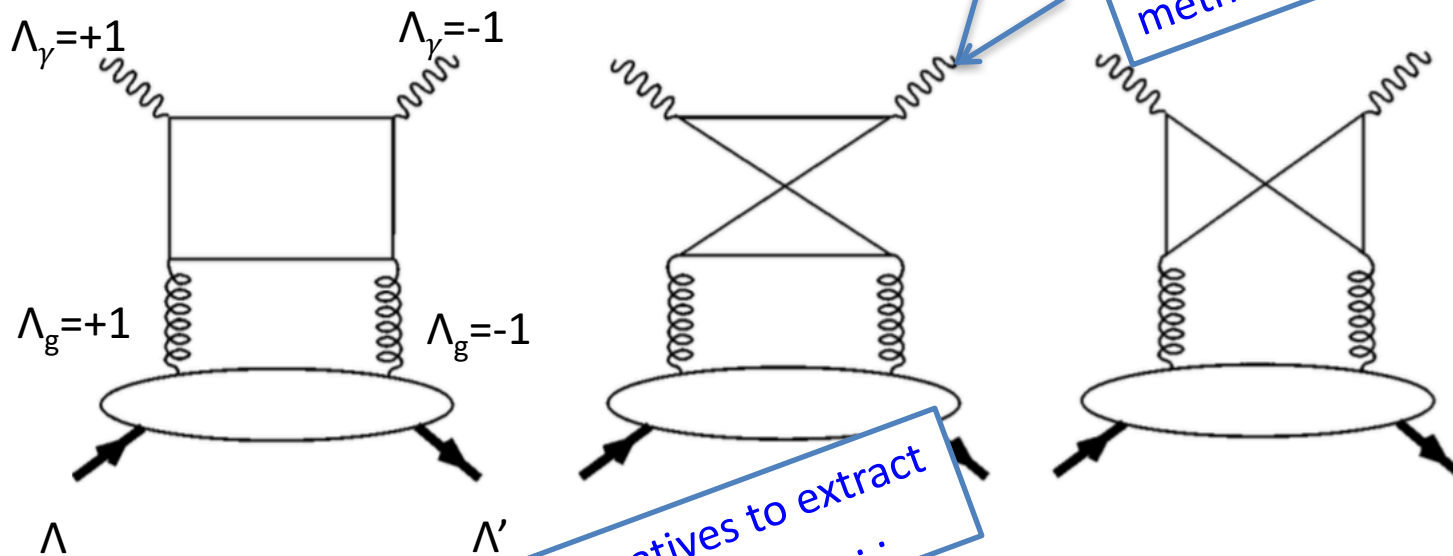




# Helicity flip $A_{\Lambda', -1; \Lambda, +1}$ contributes to DVCS $\sim \alpha_s$

$$M_{\Lambda', \Lambda' \gamma = -1; \Lambda, \Lambda \gamma = +1} = -\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \sum_q e_q^2 \int_{-1}^{+1} dx \frac{A_{\Lambda', \Lambda' g = -1; \Lambda, \Lambda g = +1}(x, \xi, t)}{(\xi - x - i\epsilon)(\xi + x - i\epsilon)} C'(x, \xi, Q^2)$$

Interference with Bethe-Heitler contains  $\cos 3\varphi$  modulation to distinguish from (leading twist) quark contribution



$\mu^- \mu^+$  alternative method to extract

other alternatives to extract  $J/\psi$  production; jets . . . .

See Hoodbhoy & Ji, PRD58, 054006 (1998)



# Gluon GPDs from DVCS - Hall A

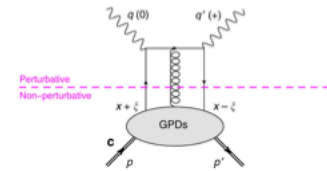
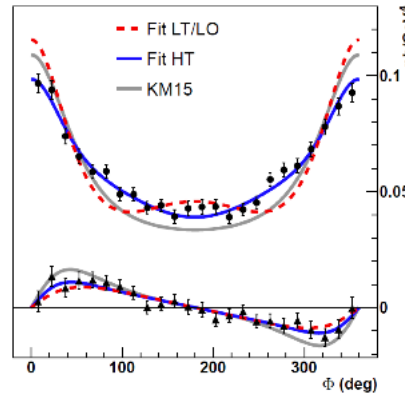
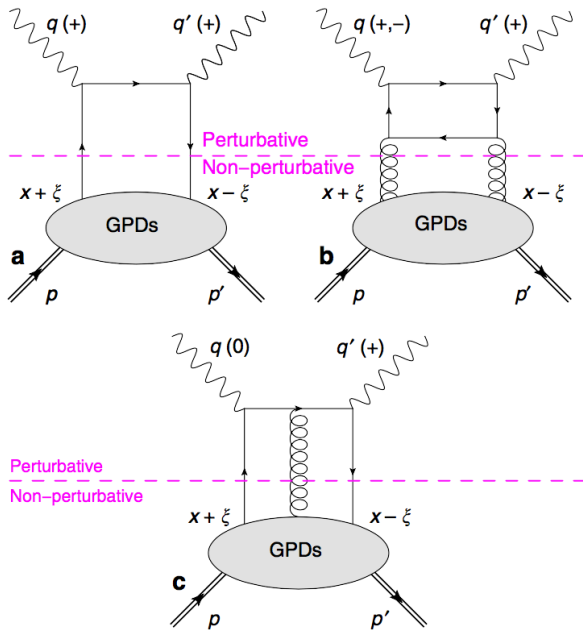
**Polarized** & unpolarized beam measurements

## Evidence of gluon transversity

Fitting  $\phi$  distribution requires  $F_{++}$  and both  $F_{+-}$  gluon transversity and  $F_{0+}$  higher twist

$$\frac{d^4\sigma(h)}{dQ^2 dx_B dt d\phi} = \frac{d^2\sigma_0}{dQ^2 dx_B} \times \left[ |T^{\text{BH}}|^2 + |T^{\text{DVCS}}(h)|^2 - \mathcal{I}(h) \right]$$

**A glimpse of gluons** through deeply virtual compton scattering on the proton, published in *Nature Communications* 8, 1408 (2017). doi:10.1038/s41467-017-01819-3



*Analysis of 6 GeV Hall A DVCS data on the proton.*



See Latifa Elouadrhiri talk at QCD Evolution 2018



**LHC** - many opportunities for studying gluons  
p+p unpolarized  $\rightarrow$  jets, hadrons, leptons  
Interactions via  $g+g \rightarrow Q+Qbar + X$   
**gluon TMDs** in some kinematics  
Extension to Gluon "Transversity"

c.f. **TMDs**  $h_1^{\perp g}(x, p_T^2)$  Mulders & Rodrigues (2001), **Gluon Boer-Mulders function**  
see D. Boer, Frascati talk (Nov.2016) & many references for measurements at EIC, RHIC, LHC

# Heuristic for spin TMDs

- Boer-Mulders for Unpolarized nucleon with “Transversly” polarized quark

N/q	U	L	T
U	$f_1$		$h_1^\perp$
L		$g_1$	$h_{1L}^\perp$
T	$f_{1T}^\perp$	$g_{1T}$	$h_1 \quad h_{1T}^\perp$



# Gluon

# TMDs

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 G + \Delta G_L & \frac{|k_T| e^{-i\phi}}{M} [\Delta G_T - iG_T] & -e^{-2i\phi} [H^\perp(1) + i\Delta H_L^\perp(1)] & -i \frac{|k_T| e^{-3i\phi}}{M} \Delta H_T^\perp(1) \\
 \frac{|k_T| e^{i\phi}}{M} [\Delta G_T + iG_T] & G - \Delta G_L & -i \frac{|k_T| e^{-i\phi}}{M} \Delta H_T & -e^{-2i\phi} [H^\perp(1) - i\Delta H_L^\perp(1)] \\
 -e^{2i\phi} [H^\perp(1) - i\Delta H_L^\perp(1)] & i \frac{|k_T| e^{i\phi}}{M} \Delta H_T & G - \Delta G_L & -\frac{|k_T| e^{-i\phi}}{M} [\Delta G_T + iG_T] \\
 i \frac{|k_T| e^{3i\phi}}{M} \Delta H_T^\perp(1) & -e^{2i\phi} [H^\perp(1) + i\Delta H_L^\perp(1)] & -\frac{|k_T| e^{i\phi}}{M} [\Delta G_T - iG_T] & G + \Delta G_L
 \end{pmatrix}$$

Mulders & Rodrigues, PRD63, 94021 (2001)

The matrix representation is also convenient to find the physical meaning of the distributions. Well known is  $G$  which measures the number of gluons with momentum  $(x, k_T)$  in a hadron. The functions  $GL$  ( $GT$ ) represents the difference of the numbers of gluons with opposite circular polarizations in a longitudinally transversely polarized nucleon. The off-diagonal function  $H$  also is a difference of densities, but in this case of linearly polarized gluons in an unpolarized hadron. Using the circular polarizations,  $H$  flips the polarization.

Corresponding GTMDs generalize GPDs & TMDs.

Unintegrated models connect all

Other notation  $\Delta H_T^\perp(1) \equiv \frac{k_T^2}{2M^2} \Delta H_T^\perp$ , or  $h_1^{g\perp}$ , the gluon Boer-Mulders function.

Unpolarized Nucleon  $\rightarrow$  polarized gluon | factorization & evolution



# Gluon TMDs

## TMD Color gauge invariance

*Small  $x$  gluons, Kharzeev, Kovchegov, Tuchin, saturation,*

*2 gluon distributions: WW vs. DP,*

*Saturation issues: McLerran-Venugopalan model,  
ColorGlassCondensate, . . . ?*

*See Mulders, et al.: small  $x$  DP is pure gauge link*

$$\Gamma^{\mu\nu}[U, U'](x, \mathbf{k}_T) \equiv \int \frac{d(\xi \cdot P) d^2 \xi_T}{(P \cdot n)^2 (2\pi)^3} e^{i(xP + k_T) \cdot \xi} \left\langle P \left| \text{Tr}_c \left[ F^{n\nu}(0) \mathcal{U}_{[0, \xi]} F^{n\mu}(\xi) \mathcal{U}'_{[\xi, 0]} \right] \right| P \right\rangle \Big|_{\xi \cdot n = 0}.$$

Gauge link

$\xi = [0^+, \xi^-, \xi_T]$

$$\mathcal{U}_C[0, \xi] = \mathcal{P} \exp \left( -ig \int_{C[0, \xi]} ds_\mu A^\mu(s) \right)$$

Can be forward light front pointing link  $+\infty$  FSI. Weizsacker-Williams

Or mixed light front pointing link  $-\infty$  ISI Dipole

**For  $U$  and  $U'$  have  $[+ +]$  or  $[+ -]$  (& parity opposites)**

**Consider TMD & GPD vs. data at intermediate  $x$**



The Model for valence quarks- Reggeized Diquarks



The Model – first for Chiral Even – then Odd  
Reggeized Diquark Spectator  
Diquark: Color anti-3, scalar & axial vector

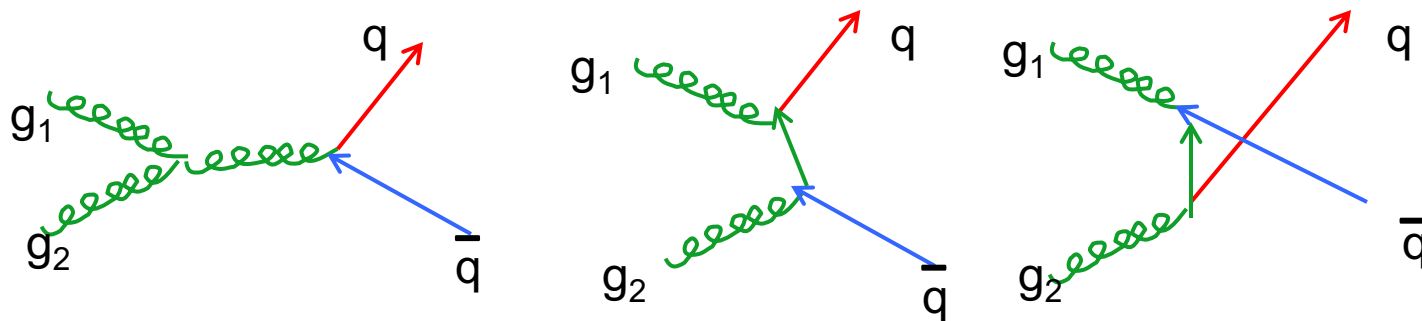


**Gluon GPDs, TMDs, GTMDs**





# From p+p to gluon TMDs to quark pairs

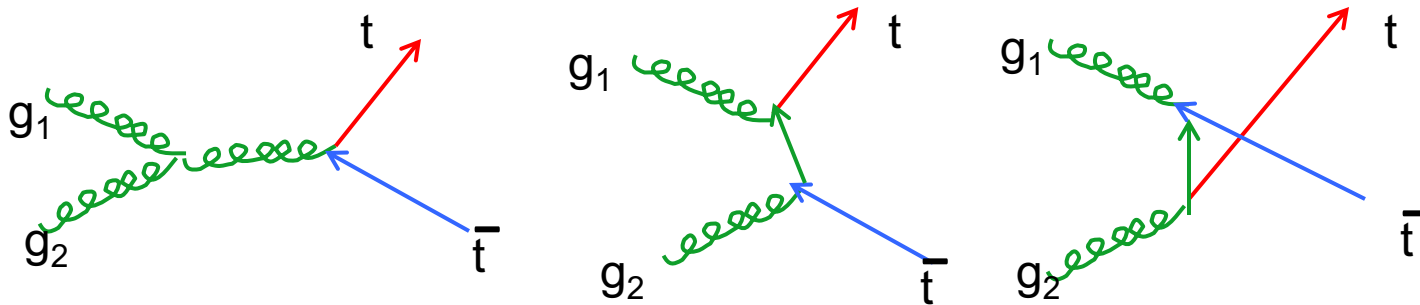


Form quarkonia & different possibilities for  $gg$   
Complications from f.s.i. & jets - hadronization  
See Boer, Brodsky, Pisano, et al., . . .

Factorization and evolution



# For Gluon fusion top production at LHC



- $g_1$  &  $g_2$  carry helicity  $\Lambda_1 \Lambda_2 = \pm 1$  & color 1, 8... &  $C=+$  or  $-$
- $t$  &  $t$ -bar carry helicity  $\lambda_t, \lambda_{tbar} = \pm \frac{1}{2}$  & color 1 or 8
- **$t$  &  $tbar$  decay before hadronizing  $\Rightarrow$  no toponia & large scale**



# How is top polarization determined?

Its decay is good analyzer for **transverse** polarization.

$$U_{\lambda_t, \lambda'_t} = \sum_{\lambda_b} B_{\lambda_b, \lambda'_t}^* B_{\lambda_b, \lambda_t}$$

$$\propto (I + \vec{p}_{\bar{l}} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_t / p_{\bar{l}})_{\lambda_t, \lambda'_t} (p_b \cdot p_\nu)$$

Calculated in top rest frame

OR

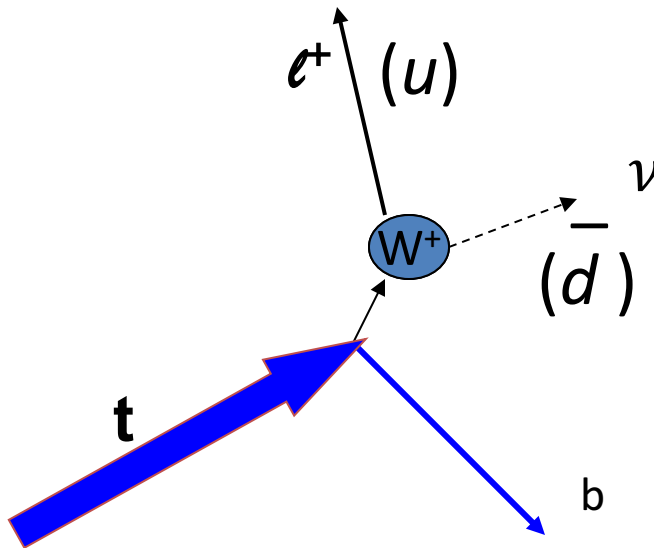
$$U = (p_t - m_t S_t) \cdot p_{\bar{l}} (p_b \cdot p_\nu)$$

$$S_t = \left[ \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{P}_t}{m_t}, \vec{P}_t + \frac{(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{P}_t) \vec{P}_t}{m_t(E_t + m_t)} \right]$$

Covariant form in any frame

$P_t$  = strength of top polarization

Dalitz & GRG, PLB287,225(1992); PRD45, 1531(1992)



$(I + \vec{p}_{\bar{l}} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_t / p_{\bar{l}})$  lepton or u-quark moves parallel to transverse polarization



# What is known about **polarized** top production?

## Top Single Spin Asymmetry and Double Spin Correlations – Measurements

**ATLAS** PRD93, 012002 (2016) & ref. PRL114, 142001 (2015)

\*\* SSA:  $B_1$  or  $A_p = -0.035 \pm 0.040$ . (syst & stat)

\*\*\* Double:  $C_{\text{helicity}} = 0.315 \pm 0.07$  vs. NLO QCD = 0.31

(Bernreuther, et al., PRL 87,242002 (2001) QCD corrections but unpolarized gluons)

**CMS** PRL112, 182001 (2014): Different kinematics & selection criteria

\*\* SSA:  $A_p = 0.005 \pm 0.01$ .

\*\*\* Double:  $A_{\Delta\phi} = 0.113 \pm 0.01$  vs.  $0.110 \pm 0.001$  (MC & QCD)

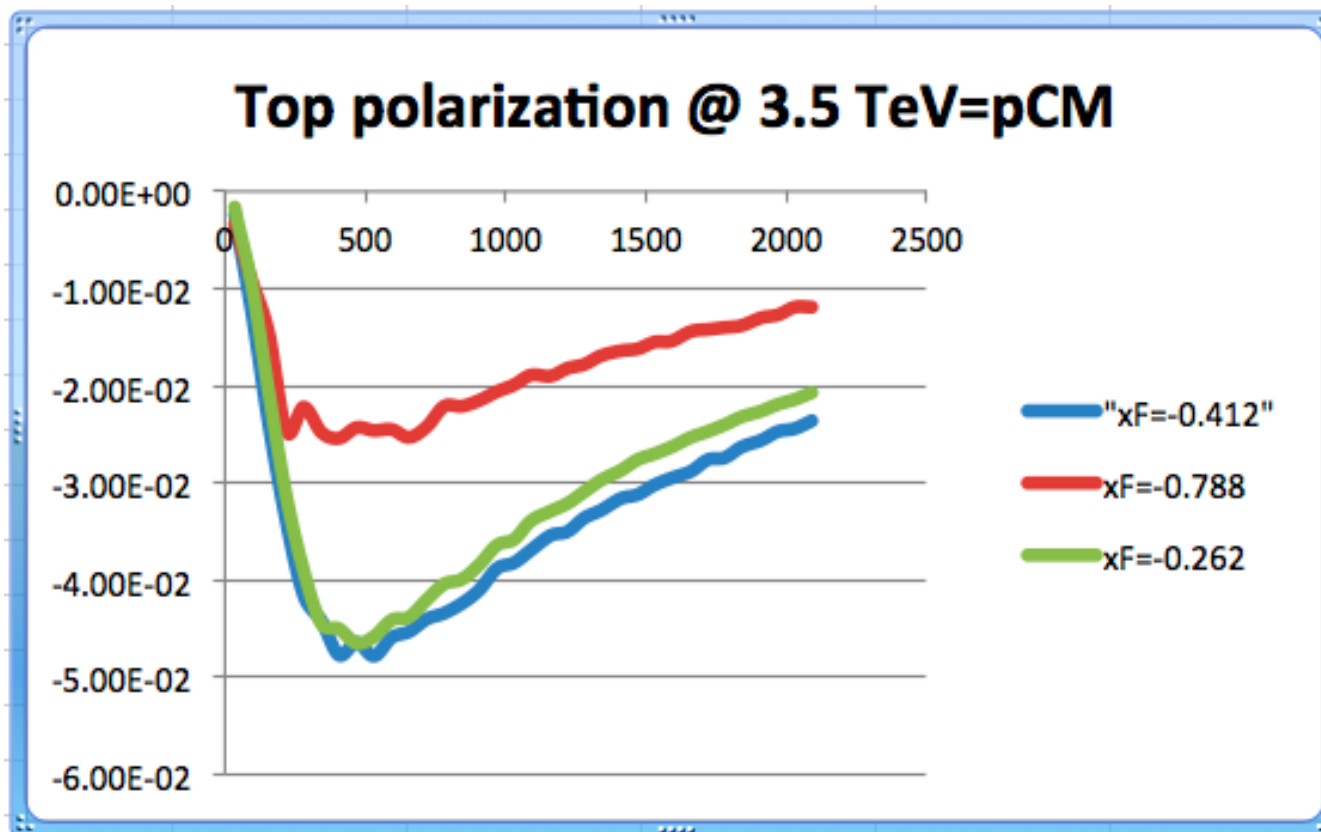
$A_{c_1c_2} = -0.021 \pm 0.03$  vs  $-0.078 \pm 0.001$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\cos\theta_1 d\cos\theta_2} = \frac{1}{4} (1 + B_1 \cos\theta_1 + B_2 \cos\theta_2 - C_{\text{helicity}} \cos\theta_1 \cdot \cos\theta_2)$$

$\theta_1$   $\theta_2$  decay product angles w.r.t.  $t+\bar{t}$  CM



Direct measure of hard process- top polarization  
Top decays weakly before hadronizing  
 $\Rightarrow$  decay "self-analyzing"

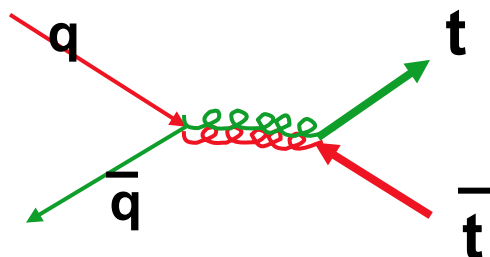


Contributions to order  $\alpha_s$  Imaginary Part (Dharmaratna & GRG 1990,1996)

Analyze  $t \rightarrow W^+ b$



# Dilepton events *or* lepton+hadron jets *or* all Hadron jets)



$q+\bar{q}$  (Tevatron)  
or  $g+g$  (LHC)

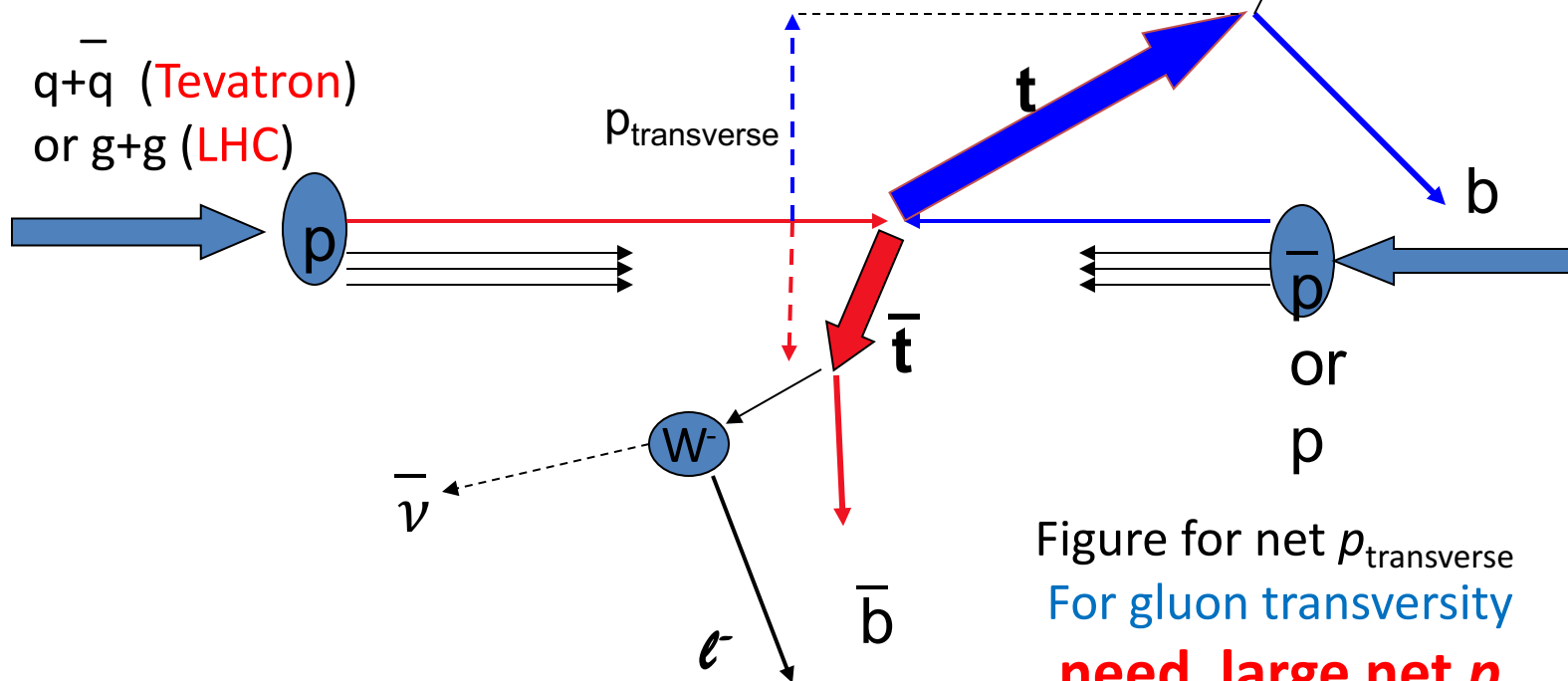
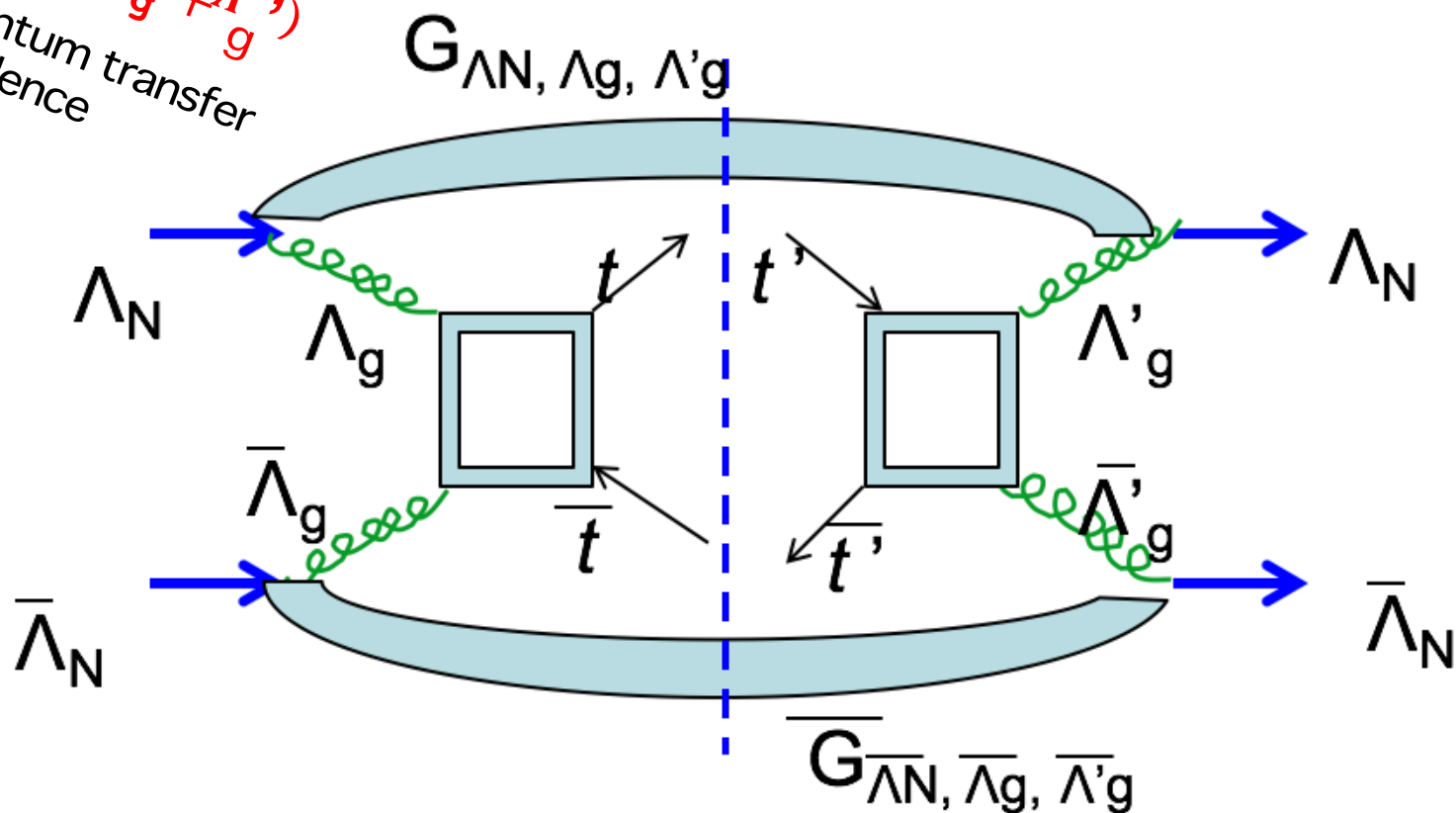


Figure for net  $p_{\text{transverse}}$   
For gluon transversity  
**need large net  $p_{\text{transverse}}$   
to access transversity**



# For inclusive $p+p \rightarrow t+t\text{bar}+X$

$\Delta(\Lambda_N - \Lambda'_N - \Lambda_g + \Lambda'_g)$   
Momentum transfer dependence







# Gluon linear polarization with like and unlike t-tbar helicities

[work on particular gluon distributions  
still in progress S.Liuti, GRG, Gonzalez-Hernandez, Poage(thesis)]

$F \sim G_{XX} + G_{YY}$  ,  $H \sim G_{XX} - G_{YY}$  or linear polarization

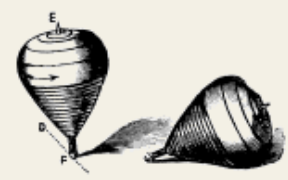
$\rho_{t', \vec{t}'; t, \vec{t}}$	$\bar{F} F$	$\bar{H} H$	$\bar{F} H$	$\bar{H} F$
++; ++	$\gamma^{-2} (1 + \beta^2 (1 + \sin^4 \theta))$	$\gamma^{-2} (-1 + \beta^2 (1 + \sin^4 \theta))$	$-2 \frac{\beta^2}{\gamma^2} \sin^2 \theta$	$-2 \frac{\beta^2}{\gamma^2} \sin^2 \theta$
+-; +-	$\beta^2 \sin^2 \theta (2 - \sin^2 \theta)$	$-\beta^2 \sin^4 \theta$	0	0



$$\rho_{l', \vec{l}; t, \vec{t}} \propto \sum_{\text{all-helicities-not-tops}} \bar{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}_N \bar{\Lambda}_g \bar{\Lambda}'_g} A_{\Lambda'_g \bar{\Lambda}'_g; l', \vec{l}}^* A_{\Lambda_g \bar{\Lambda}_g; t, \vec{t}} G_{\Lambda_N \Lambda_g \Lambda'_g}$$

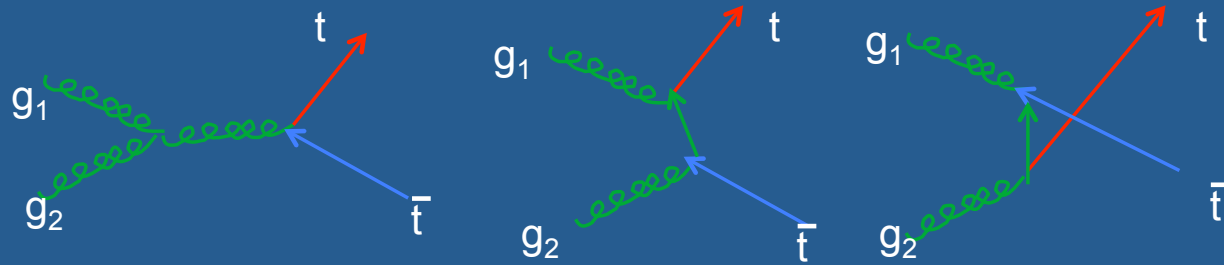
- The gluon spin correlations are transmitted to (determine the spin of) the decay products.
- The correlations between the lepton directions and the parent top spin (in the top rest frame) produce correlations between the lepton directions.
- The **gluon fusion mechanism** gives rise to a higher order (wrt quark antiquark) angular distribution due to the combination of two spin 1 gluons.

G.R.Goldstein, "Spin Correlations in Top Quark Production and the Top Quark Mass" in Proc. 12th Intl Symp. High Energy Spin Physics, Amsterdam, ed.C.W. deJager, et al., World Sci., Singapore (1997) p. 328



## At LHC:

### Gluon fusion tree level mechanism (Color gauge invariance)



$g_1, g_2$  carry helicity  $\Lambda_1 \Lambda_2 = \pm 1$  OR transversity 1 or 0  
 $t, t\text{-bar}$  carry helicity  $\lambda_t \lambda_{t\text{bar}} = \pm 1/2$  OR transversity  $\pm 1/2$

Introduced in:

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R.H. Dalitz, G.R. Goldstein and R. Marshall, "Heavy Quark Spin Correlations in  $e^+e^-$  annihilations", Phys. Lett. B215, 783 (1988);

R.H. Dalitz, G.R. Goldstein and R. Marshall, "On the Helicity of Charm Jets", Zeits.f. Phys. C42, 441 (1989).



# $q+q\text{-bar} \rightarrow t + t\text{-bar}$ Dilepton channel

- The light (polarized) quark-antiquark annihilation mechanism gives rise to the **angular distribution between opposite charge lepton pairs**, more information than  $C_{\text{helicity}}$  or  $A_{c_1 c_2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 W(\theta, p, p_{\bar{l}}, p_l) &= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ 1 + [\sin^2 \theta (p^2 + m^2) (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}} + [p^2 - m^2] (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_y (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{y}}) \right. \\
 &\quad - 2mp \cos \theta \sin \theta ((\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} + (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_z (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}}) + ([p^2 - m^2] \\
 &\quad \left. + [p^2 + m^2] \cos^2 \theta) (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_z (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} \right\} / [(p^2 + m^2) + (p^2 - m^2) \cos^2 \theta] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \left\{ (2 - \beta^2) \sin^2 \theta (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}} + \beta^2 (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_y (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{y}} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + [\beta^2 + (2 - \beta^2) \cos^2 \theta] (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_z (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{2}{\gamma} \cos \theta \sin \theta ((\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} + (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_z (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}}) \right\} / [(2 - \beta^2) + \beta^2 \cos^2 \theta]
 \end{aligned}$$

$m$  = top mass,  $\theta$  = t production angle in  $q+q\text{-bar}$  CM

$p$  = light quark 3-momentum in CM

Unit vectors  $\hat{p}$  are anti-lepton<sup>+</sup> and lepton<sup>-</sup> 3-momenta directions in the top and anti-top rest frames.

See G.R.Goldstein, "Spin Correlations in Top Quark Production and the Top Quark Mass" in Proc. 12th Intl Symp. High Energy Spin Physics, Amsterdam, ed.C.W. deJager, et al., World Sci., Singapore (1997) p. 328.



$$g_1 + g_2 \rightarrow t + t\text{-bar}$$

## Spin correlations - dilepton channel

Correlations expressed as a weighting factor first **for unpolarized gluons**.

- The **gluon fusion mechanism** gives rise to a higher order angular distribution ( $\sin^4\theta$ ) due to the combination of two spin 1 gluons.

$$W(\theta, p, p_{\bar{l}}, p_l) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \left\{ [p^4 \sin^4 \theta + m^4] (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}} + [p^2(p^2 - 2m^2) \sin^4 \theta - m^4] (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_y (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{y}} \right. \\ \left. + [p^4 \sin^4 \theta - 2p^2(p^2 - m^2) \sin^2 \theta + m^2(2p^2 - m^2)] (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_z (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} \right. \\ \left. + 2mp^2 \sqrt{p^2 - m^2} \cos \theta \sin^3 \theta [(\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} - (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_z (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}}] \right\} \\ / [p^2(2m^2 - p^2) \sin^4 \theta + 2p^2(p^2 - m^2) \sin^2 \theta + m^2(2p^2 - m^2)] \quad (20)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \left\{ [(1 - \beta^2)^2 + \sin^4 \theta] (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}} \right. \\ \left. + [-(1 - \beta^2)^2 - (1 - 2\beta^2) \sin^4 \theta] (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_y (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{y}} \right. \\ \left. + [(1 - \beta^4) - 2\beta^2 \sin^2 \theta + \sin^4 \theta] (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_z (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} \right. \\ \left. + 2\frac{\beta}{\gamma} \sin^3 \theta \cos \theta [(\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} - (\hat{p}_{\bar{l}})_z (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}}] \right\} \\ / [(1 - \beta^4) + 2\beta^2 \sin^2 \theta + (1 - 2\beta^2) \sin^4 \theta] \quad (21)$$

$m$  = top mass,  $\theta$  = t production angle in g+g CM;  $p$  = gluon 3-momentum in CM  
 $p$ -hat's are lepton 3-momenta directions in the top and anti-top rest frames.

**Use these to test SM vs. BSM – Integrated version agrees –  
 with big errors -- GRG in process – see also Mahlon & Parke  
 See GG& Liuti, 1710.01683; 2024742 (APS-DPF 2017)**



# $g_1 + g_2 \rightarrow t + t\text{-bar}$ Spin correlations

Correlations expressed as a weighting factor **for polarized gluons**.

- The **gluon fusion mechanism** gives rise to a higher order angular distribution ( $\sin^4\theta$ ) due to the combination of two spin 1 gluons.

$$W^{(LP, LP)}(\theta, p, p_{\bar{1}}, p_l) = -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &[(1 - \beta^4) + \beta^2 \sin^2 \theta (-2 + (2 - \beta^2) \sin^2 \theta)] (\hat{p}_{\bar{1}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}} \\ &+ [(1 - \beta^4) + \beta^2 \sin^2 \theta (2 - \beta^2 \sin^2 \theta)] (\hat{p}_{\bar{1}})_y (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{y}} \\ &+ [-(1 - \beta^2)^2 + \beta^2 (2 - \beta^2) \sin^4 \theta] (\hat{p}_{\bar{1}})_z (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} \\ &- 4 \frac{\beta^2}{\gamma} \sin^3 \theta \cos \theta [(\hat{p}_{\bar{1}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} - (\hat{p}_{\bar{1}})_z (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}}] \end{aligned} \right\} \\ / [(1 - \beta^2)^2 + \beta^4 \sin^4 \theta]$$

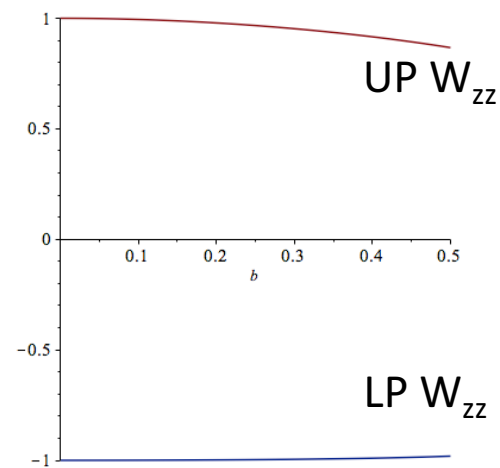
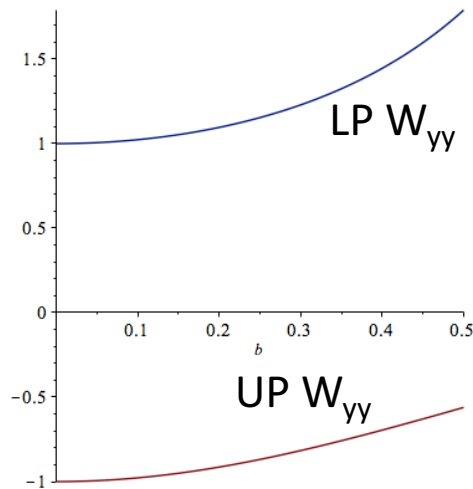
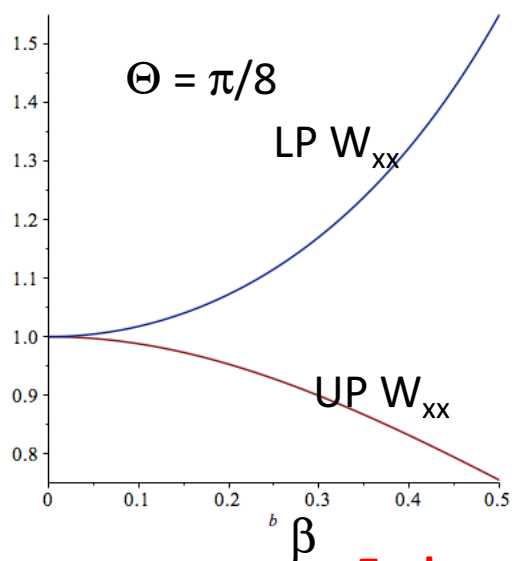
**Crucial measurements**  $(\hat{p}_{\bar{1}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{x}} = W_{xx}$ ,  $(\hat{p}_{\bar{1}})_x (\hat{p}_l)_{\bar{z}} = W_{xz}$ ,  $\dots$  **Weighting tensor**

- Use these to compare with unpolarized to extract the Gluon transversity
- or linear polarizations  $\mathbf{G}_{xx} - \mathbf{G}_{yy}$
- Careful about Frames:
- Collider LAB,  $t + \bar{t}$  pair CM, separate  $t$  &  $t\text{-bar}$  rest,  $W^{+/-}$  rest frames



# Comparing lepton directional correlations

**Weighting tensor** for lepton<sup>+</sup> lepton<sup>-</sup> when  $\theta = \pi/8$   
 or lepton<sup>+</sup> d-quark or u-quark lepton<sup>-</sup>



Each event has  $\mu^- \mu^+$  momenta  $\rightarrow p^\pm (x, y, z)$  as well as  $\theta$  &  $\beta$   
 Probability for given event configuration is given by  
 $G(\text{UP}) W(\theta, p, p^\pm, l, p_l) + G(\text{LP}) W^{\text{LP}}(\theta, p, p^\pm, l, p_l)$   
 Quite distinct!  $x$  &  $y$  components are **aligned** for LP, **anti-aligned** for UP  
 Can **Diagonalize** (with  $W_{xy, yx}$ ) to obtain positive ellipsoidal weighting

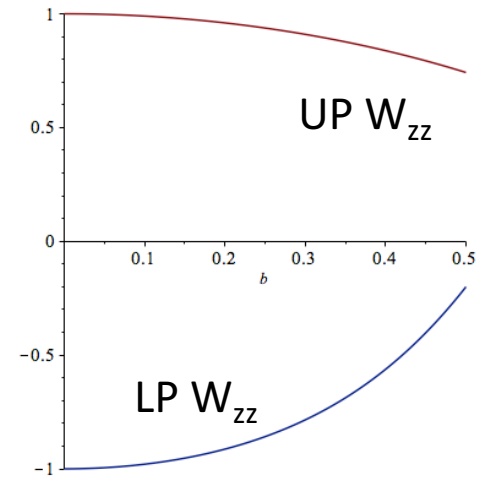
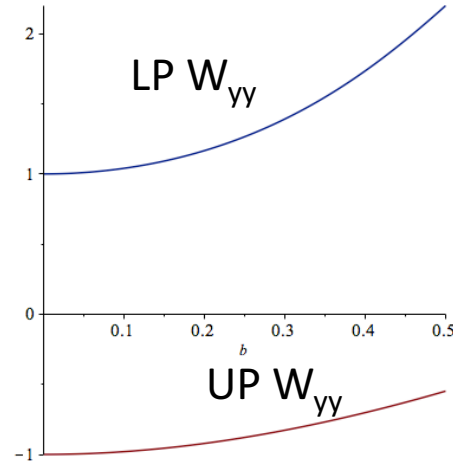
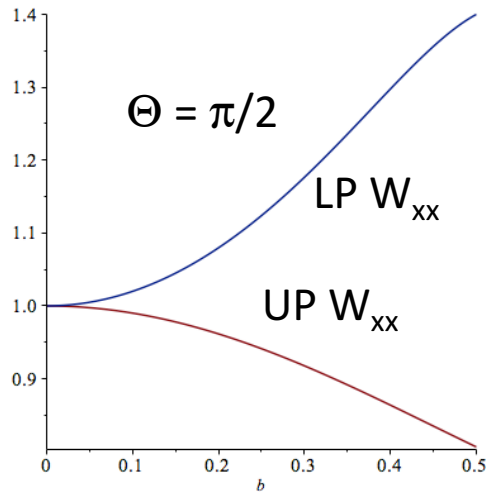




# Comparing lepton directional correlations

Weighting factors for lepton<sup>+</sup> lepton<sup>-</sup> when  $\theta = \pi/2$

$W_{xz} = 0$  for the off-diagonal



$\beta$

Each event has  $\mu^- \mu^+$  momenta  $\rightarrow p^\pm (x, y, z)$  as well as  $\theta$  &  $\beta$

Probability for given event configuration is given by

$$G(\text{UP}) W(\theta, p, p^-, l, p_l) + G(\text{LP}) W^{\text{LP}}(\theta, p, p^-, l, p_l)$$

Quite distinct!  $x$  &  $y$  components are **aligned** for LP, **anti-aligned** for UP

Diagonalize (with  $W_{xy, yx}$ ) to obtain positive ellipsoidal weighting



# Separating polarized gluons

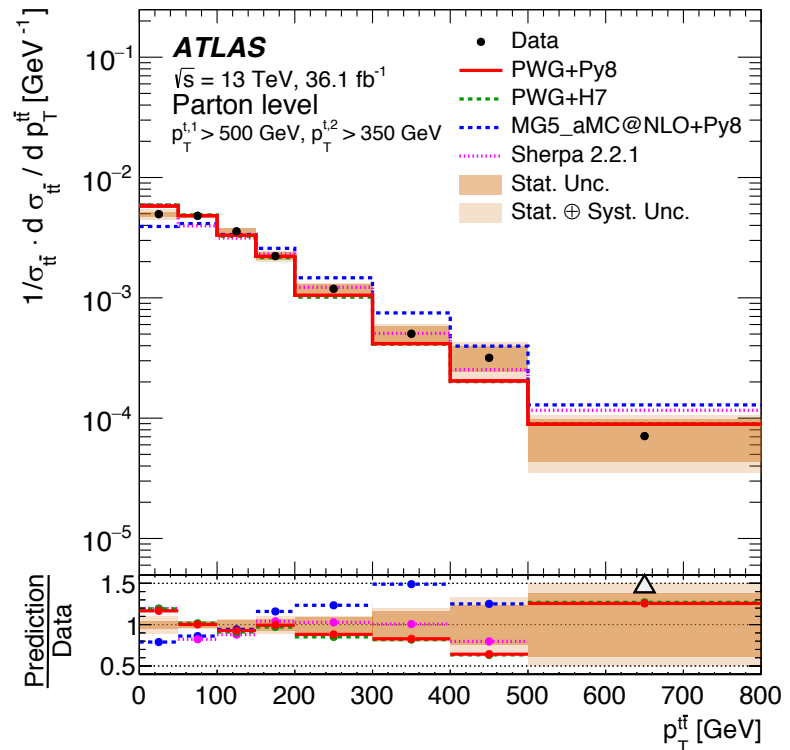
- \* Each event has  $\mu^- \mu^+$  momenta  $\rightarrow p^\pm (x, y, z)$  in  $t$  &  $tbar$  rest frame
- \*  $t+tbar$  CM determines  $\theta$  direction as well as  $\beta$  for  $t$  &  $tbar$
- \* Probability for given event configuration is given by

$G(UP) W(\theta, p, p^{-1}, p_l) + G(LP) W^{LP}(\theta, p, p^{-1}, p_l)$  (ignoring light quarks)

- Quite distinct!  $x$  &  $y$  components are
- aligned for LP, anti-aligned for UP
- $G$ 's convoluted with  $W$ 's all gluon  $k_T$  &  $\bar{k}_T$  satisfying
- measured  $p_t + p_{anti-t} \leftrightarrow$  large transverse momenta : transversity

# Large transverse momentum

- t-tbar inclusive at 13 TeV

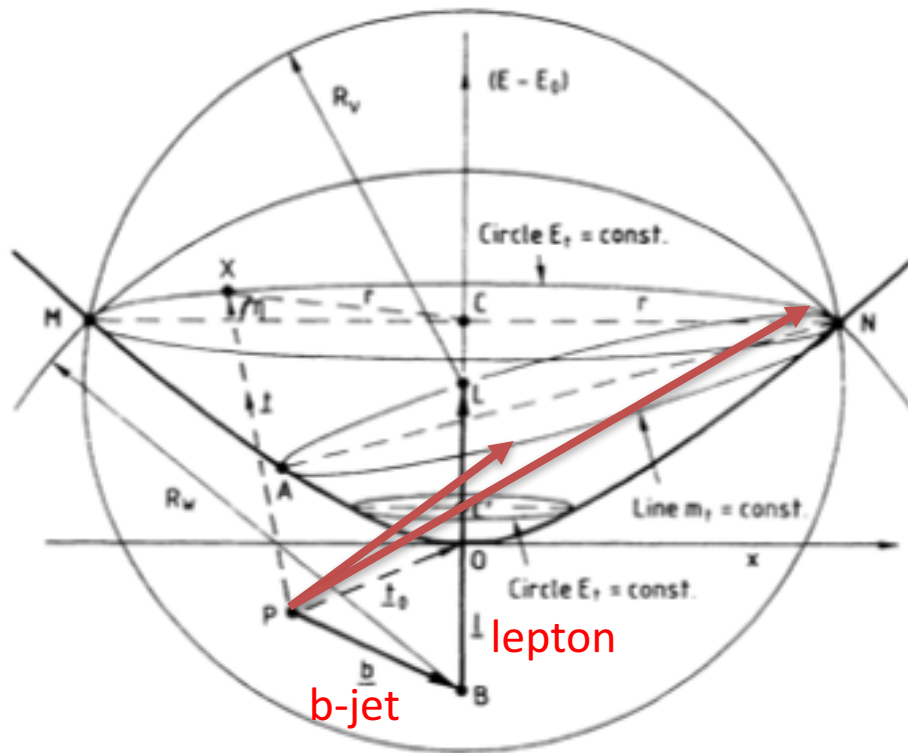


# How are top pair polarizations measured at LHC?

- Purely **hadronic** events  $\supset$  6 particles/jets (b,u,d +  $\bar{b},\bar{u},\bar{d}$ ). Combinatorics!
- **Dilepton** events leave unknown  $\nu$  &  $\bar{\nu}$  momenta (b,e<sup>+</sup>  $\nu$  +  $\bar{b},\bar{u},\bar{d}$ ). Clean, lower  $d\sigma$
- **Single lepton** events  $\supset$  one  $\nu$  missing
  - Most promising: with H.Beauchemin(ATLAS), M. Yampolskaya, T. Lachance
- What is t or  $\bar{t}$  momentum?
- Measuring e or  $\mu$  and b-jet fixes t to an **ellipse**



# Finding top momentum



- top leptonic decay in lab
- → momenta in lab
- b-jet & lepton measured ⇒
- Ellipse of t-vectors determined
- Boost to rest frame
- helicity preserved
- Lepton direction correlated

FIG. 5. Momentum vectors  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\vec{l}$  observed in the laboratory frame for bottom quark and lepton, and the construction for locating all top-quark momenta  $\mathbf{t}$  such that these three vectors can correspond to the decay sequence  $t \rightarrow bW^+$ ,  $W^+ \rightarrow \vec{l}^+ \nu_l$  for a given top-quark mass  $m_t$ .

Dalitz & GG, PRD45,1531(1992)



# Summary

- Gluon GPDs & TMDs (from spectator & Regge  $R \times Dq$  )
- *Helicity* conserving & Helicity flip  $\rightarrow$  gluon *Transversity*
- Electroproduction & DVCS  $\rightarrow$  gluon transversity GPDs
- $pp \rightarrow$  gluons  $\rightarrow$   $t + \bar{t} + X \Rightarrow$  gluon TMDs
- Measurements? Single Top polarization
- $t + \bar{t}$  spin correlations **via lepton decays or hadron jets**
  - **To Do List**
    - More phenomenology to come
    - Parton showers & jets
    - Care about evolution, factorization, power counting, . . .



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Thank you!



# Backup Slides



# Construct helicity flip amps Spectator Model, then GPDs

$$A_{++,+-} = \sqrt{1-\xi^2} \frac{t_0-t}{4M^2} \left( \tilde{H}_T^g + (1-\xi) \frac{E_T^g + \tilde{E}_T^g}{2} \right)$$

$$A_{-+,-} = \sqrt{1-\xi^2} \frac{t_0-t}{4M^2} \left( \tilde{H}_T^g + (1+\xi) \frac{E_T^g - \tilde{E}_T^g}{2} \right)$$

$$A_{++,--} = +e^{-i\phi} (1-\xi^2) \frac{\sqrt{t_0-t}}{2M} \left( H_T^g + \frac{t_0-t}{M^2} \tilde{H}_T^g - \frac{\xi^2}{1-\xi^2} E_T^g + \frac{\xi}{1-\xi^2} \tilde{E}_T^g \right)$$

$$A_{-+,+} = -e^{i\phi} (1-\xi^2) \frac{\sqrt{t_0-t^3}}{8M^3} \tilde{H}_T^g,$$

Compare to spectator model results

$$\tilde{H}_T^g = 0$$

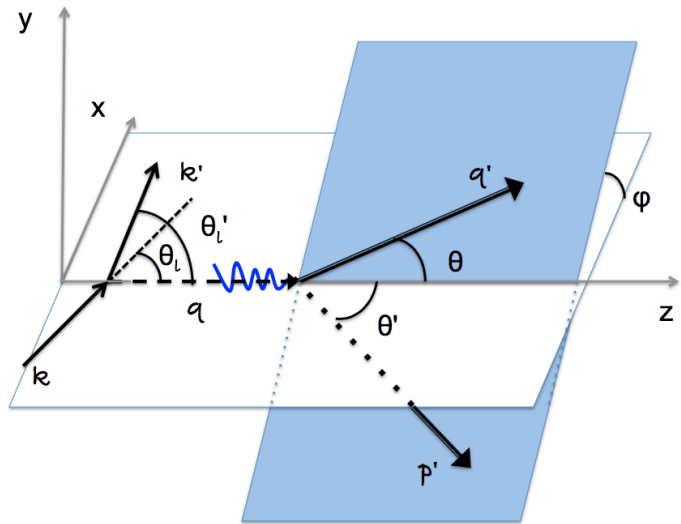
$$(1-X)A_{-+,-}^0 = (1-X')A_{++,+-}^0$$

$$\tilde{E}_T^g = 0.$$

As in Hoodbhoy & Ji, PRD58, 054006 (1998)

# Measuring Gluon GPDs in Nucleons

## DVCS



$$\frac{d^5\sigma}{dx_{Bj}dQ^2d|t|d\phi d\phi_S} = \frac{\alpha^3}{16\pi^2(s - M^2)^2\sqrt{1 + \gamma^2}} |T|^2$$

$$T(k, p, k', q', p') = T_{DVCS}(k, p, k', q', p') + T_{BH}(k, p, k', q', p')$$

$$|T|^2 = |T_{BH} + T_{DVCS}|^2 = |T_{BH}|^2 + |T_{DVCS}|^2 + \mathcal{I}$$

$$\mathcal{I} = T_{BH}^* T_{DVCS} + T_{DVCS}^* T_{BH}$$

For unpolarized  $e+p \rightarrow e'+\gamma+p'$  cross section depends on azimuthal angle  $\phi$ .  **$\cos 3\phi$**  modulation in interference  $d\sigma$  measures gluon transversity GPDs (CFF's)

$$\frac{\sqrt{t_0 - t}^3}{8M^3} \left[ H_T^g F_2 - E_T^g F_1 - 2\tilde{H}_T^g \left( F_1 + \frac{t}{4M^2} F_2 \right) \right] \cos 3\phi$$

$$\mathcal{H}_T^g \sim \int dx H_T^g / (x-\xi)(x+\xi) \text{ CFF's}$$

**But**  $\mathcal{H}_T^g \sim$  **may need EIC**

See Diehl, *et al.* PLB411, 193 (1997);  
Diehl, EPJC25, 223 (2002);  
Belitsky, Mueller, PLB486, 369 (2000).



**A glimpse of gluons** through deeply virtual compton scattering on the proton, published in *Nature Communications* 8, 1408 (2017).  
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## Evidence of gluon transversity

Fitting  $\phi$  distribution requires  
 $F_{++}$  and both  $F_{+-}$  gluon transversity  
 and  $F_{0+}$  higher twist

**Table 2 Results of the cross-section fits**

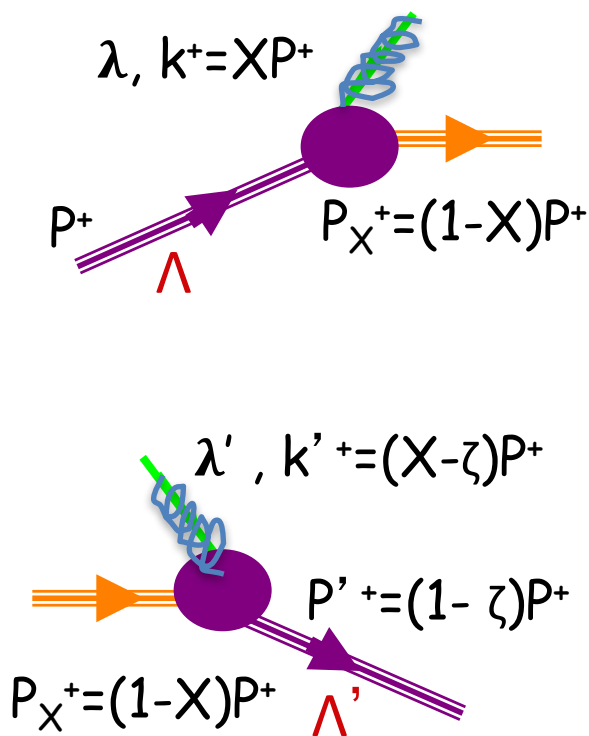
Fit description	LO/LT	Higher twist	NLO
Helicity states	++	++/0+	++/--+
$t = -0.18 \text{ GeV}^2$	250	204	206
$t = -0.24 \text{ GeV}^2$	367	206	208
$t = -0.30 \text{ GeV}^2$	415	189	190

Values of  $\chi^2$  (ndf = 208) obtained in the leading-order, leading-twist (++); higher-twist (++/0+); and next-to-leading-order (++/--+) scenarios. The fit is not performed at the highest value of  $-t$  because of the lack of full acceptance in  $\phi$ , resulting in a large statistical uncertainty. The fits include statistical and point-to-point systematic uncertainties



# Constructing gluon GPDs

## Gluon 'vertex functions' $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda X} ; \Lambda g, \Lambda$



$\mathcal{G}_{+++}(x, \vec{k}_T^2)$	$-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2(1-X)}} \frac{(k_x - ik_y)}{X}$
$\mathcal{G}_{-++}(x, \vec{k}_T^2)$	$-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2(1-X)}} (M(1-X) - M_x)$
$\mathcal{G}_{++-}(x, \vec{k}_T^2)$	0
$\mathcal{G}_{-+-}(x, \vec{k}_T^2)$	$-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2(1-X)}} (1-X) \frac{(k_x - ik_y)}{X}$
$\mathcal{G}_{+++}^*(x, \vec{k}_T'^2)$	$-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2(1-X')}} \frac{(\tilde{k}_x + i\tilde{k}_y)}{X'}$
$\mathcal{G}_{-++}^*(x, \vec{k}_T'^2)$	$-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2(1-X')}} (M(1-X') - M_x)$
$\mathcal{G}_{++-}^*(x, \vec{k}_T'^2)$	0
$\mathcal{G}_{-+-}^*(x, \vec{k}_T'^2)$	$-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2(1-X')}} (1-X') \frac{(\tilde{k}_x + i\tilde{k}_y)}{X'}$

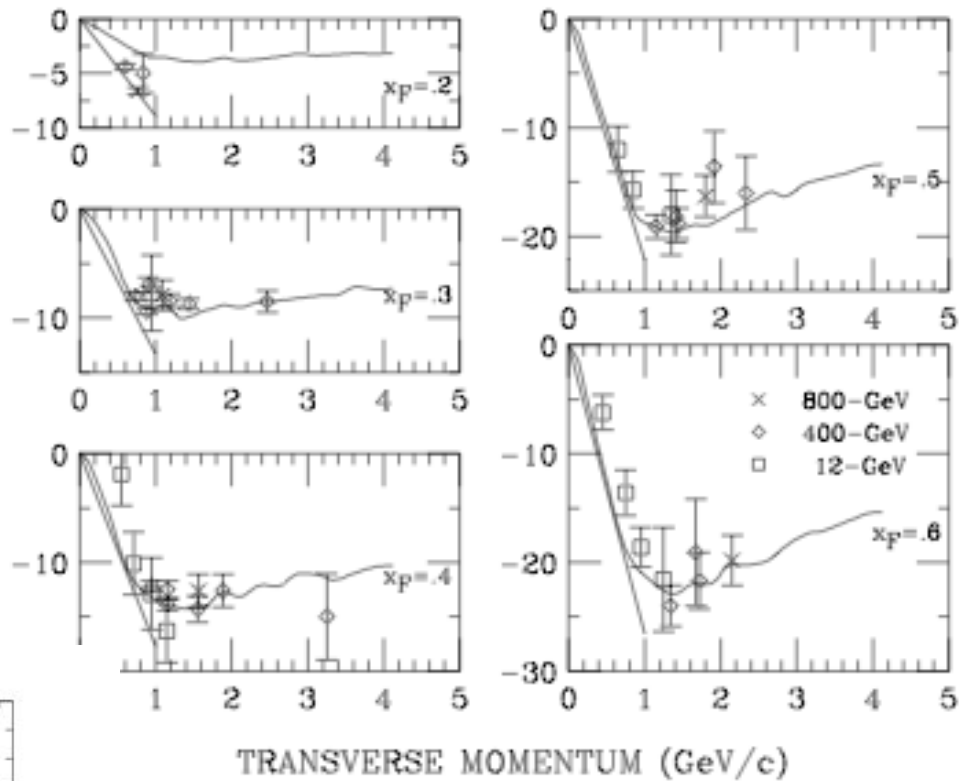
$$X' = \frac{X-\zeta}{1-\zeta}, \quad \tilde{k}_{i=1,2} = k_i - \frac{1-X}{1-\zeta} \Delta_i$$

GRG & S. Liuti, QCD Evolution 2014, JMP: Conf. 37, 1560038 (2015); arXiv: 1710.01683 [hep-ph]  
 GRG, Gonzalez Hernandez, Liuti, Poage, in progress



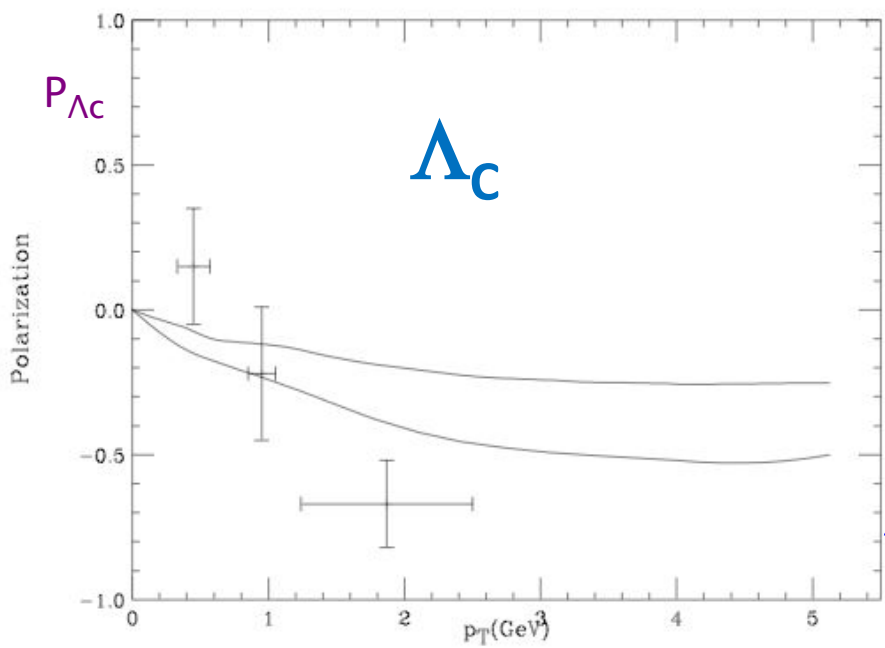
# Single Spin Asymmetry

$$pp \rightarrow \Lambda^\uparrow (\Lambda_c^\uparrow) X$$



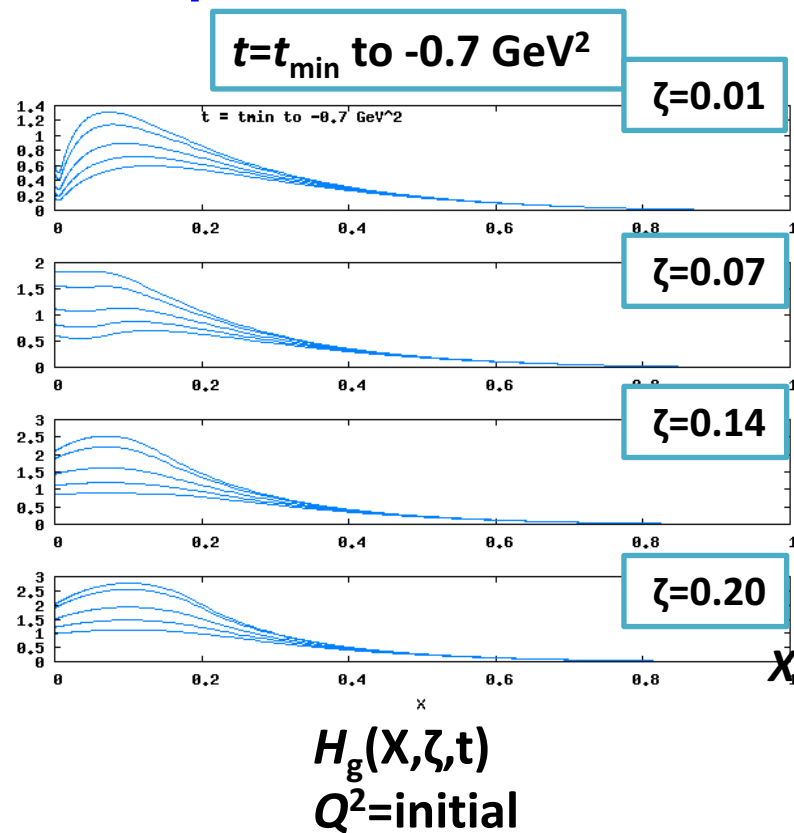
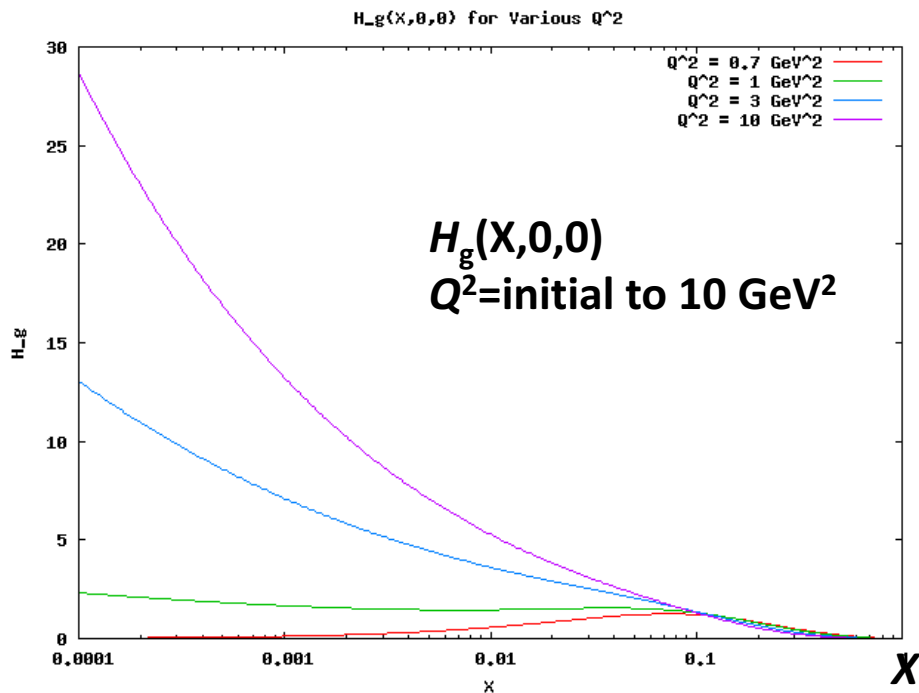
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 curves from GRG hep-ph/9907573



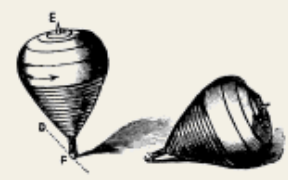


After pdf's vs.  $Q^2 \rightarrow$  fix  $x$  dependence  
 Regge behavior determines  $t$  dependence  
 Spectator determines  $\zeta$  dependence



from J. Poage





# Top spin correlations & gluon polarizations

$\rho_{t',\bar{t}';t,\bar{t}}$	UP,UP	LP,LP	UP,LP + LP,UP
++, ++	$\gamma^{-2}(1 + \beta^2(1 + \sin^4\theta))$	$\gamma^{-2}(-1 + \beta^2(1 + \sin^4\theta))$	$-4\gamma^{-2}\beta^2\sin^2\theta$
+-, +-	$\beta^2\sin^2\theta(2 - \sin^2\theta)$	$-\beta^2\sin^4\theta$	0
++, --	$\gamma^{-2}(-1 + \beta^2(1 + \sin^4\theta))$	$\gamma^{-2}(+1 + \beta^2(1 + \sin^4\theta))$	$+4\gamma^{-2}\beta^2\sin^2\theta$
+-, -+	$\beta^2\sin^4\theta$	$-\beta^2\sin^2\theta(2 - \sin^2\theta)$	0
++, +-	$-2\gamma^{-1}\beta^2\sin^3\theta\cos\theta$	$-2\gamma^{-1}\beta^2\sin^3\theta\cos\theta$	$-4\gamma^{-1}\beta^2\sin\theta\cos\theta$
++, -+	$2\gamma^{-1}\beta^2\sin^3\theta\cos\theta$	$2\gamma^{-1}\beta^2\sin^3\theta\cos\theta$	$4\gamma^{-1}\beta^2\sin\theta\cos\theta$

$$G_{\Lambda_{N1},R,R}^{(1)} + G_{\Lambda_{N1},L,L}^{(1)} = G_{\Lambda_{N1},XX}^{(1)} + G_{\Lambda_{N1},YY}^{(1)} = G_{\Lambda_{N1},UP}^{(1)}$$

$$G_{\Lambda_{N1},R,L}^{(1)} + G_{\Lambda_{N1},L,R}^{(1)} = G_{\Lambda_{N1},YY}^{(1)} - G_{\Lambda_{N1},XX}^{(1)} = G_{\Lambda_{N1},LP}^{(1)}$$

11 using values of

UP = unpolarized, LP = Linearly polarized gluon distributions

assuming  $g+g \rightarrow t + t\text{-bar}$  in single plane CM

$\gamma$  &  $\beta$  for top & antitop in CM.

$\theta$  = top production angle in CM relative to  $(t+t\text{-bar})$  momentum direction in lab

Taking X-Z plane for  $p+p \rightarrow (t+t\text{-bar})_{CM} + X$  gives  $\phi$  dependence to

$t+t\text{-bar}$  plane for opposite helicities:  $\text{Re}(e^{\pm(1\text{or}2)i\phi} \cdot e^{\pm(-i(1\text{or}2)\phi)})$

leading to  $\cos 2\phi$  for UP,LP and LP,UP and  $\cos 4\phi$  modulations

for LP,LP.