# Gluon Spatial Distributions in the Nucleon

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## Fundamental Properties of the Nucleon and the QCD EMT

$$T_{QCD}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{4} \,\overline{\psi} \,\gamma^{(\mu} D^{\nu)} \psi + Tr \left\{ F^{\mu\alpha} F^{\nu}_{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} F^2 \right\}$$



**Energy Density** 

**Momentum Density** 

**Pressure Distribution** 

**Shear Forces** 

### **Energy Momentum Tensor Form Factors**

$$\langle P'|T^{\mu\nu}_{q,g}|P\rangle = \overline{U}(P')[A_{q,g}(\Delta^2)\gamma^{(\mu}\overline{P}^{\nu)} + B_{q,g}(\Delta^2)\overline{P}^{(\mu}i\sigma^{\nu)\alpha}\Delta_{\alpha}/2M + C_{q,g}(\Delta^2)(\Delta^{\mu}\Delta^{\nu} - g^{\mu\nu}\Delta^2)/M + \overline{C}_{q,g}(\Delta^2)g^{\mu\nu}M]U(P)$$



#### X. Ji PRL. 78 (1997)

The matrix elements of the energy momentum tensor can be parameterized by **form factors** describing elastic scattering of a graviton off a proton.

#### **Connection between Local Operators and GPDs**



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#### **Nature of Deeply Virtual Exclusive Processes**

A **new era** for understanding and measuring the fundamental properties of nuclei by directly probing the quantum mechanical **phase space distributions** of the quarks and gluons.

## **Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering**



B.Kriesten, S.Liuti, et. al. PRD. 101 (2020)

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#### **Gluon Transversity Observables in DVCS**



Accessing the chiral-odd gluon structure of the nucleon

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 $F_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi} = -2\frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi}\sqrt{1-\xi^2}\frac{t_0-t}{4M^2} \Re e \left|\sqrt{1-\xi^2} \left(\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_T^g + (1-\xi)\frac{\mathcal{E}_T^g + \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_T^g}{2}\right) \left(\mathcal{H} + \widetilde{\mathcal{H}} - \frac{\xi^2}{1-\xi^2}(\mathcal{E} + \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}\right)^*\right|$  $+\sqrt{1-\xi^2}\Big(\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_T^g+(1+\xi)\frac{\mathcal{E}_T^g-\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_T^g}{2}\Big)\Big(\mathcal{H}-\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}-\frac{\xi^2}{1-\xi^2}(\mathcal{E}+\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}\Big)^*$  $+\frac{\sqrt{t_0-t}}{2M}\Big(\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_T^g+(1+\xi)\frac{\mathcal{E}_T^g-\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_T^g}{2}\Big)\Big(\mathcal{E}+\xi\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}\Big)^*$  $-\sqrt{1-\xi^2}\Big(\mathcal{H}_T^g + \frac{t_0-t}{M^2}\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_T^g - \frac{\xi^2}{1-\xi^2}\mathcal{E}_T^g + \frac{\xi}{1-\xi^2}\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_T^g\Big)\Big(\mathcal{E}-\xi\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}\Big)^*\Big|$ 

#### **Exclusive Measurements of Gluon Distributions**

Exclusive electroproduction of vector mesons (such as the J/psi) probe the gluon content of nuclei.



EIC White Paper arXiv: 1212.1701

Gluon GPDs enter the vector meson production cross section.

Y. Guo, X. Ji, Y. Liu arXiv:2103.11506

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \propto \left(1 - \frac{t}{4M^2}\right) E_2^2 - 2E_2(H_2 + E_2) + (1 - \xi^2)(H_2 + E_2)^2$$

$$E_2 = \int_0^1 dx E_g(x,\xi,t) \quad H_2 = \int_0^1 dx H_g(x,\xi,t)$$

## **Gluon distributions through scaling violations**



$$rac{\partial F_2(x,Q^2)}{\partial \ln Q^2} = rac{lpha_S(Q^2)}{2\pi} \Big[ P_{QQ} \otimes F_2 + 2e^2 P_{QG} \otimes xg(x) \Big]$$

A lever arm in Q2 hopefully allows us to use perturbative evolution to extract the gluon distribution through scaling violations.



EIC Yellow Report **arXiv: 2103.05419** EIC White Paper **arXiv: 1212.1701** 

#### Flexible Gluon GPD Model



Allows us to calculate gluon angular momentum observables as they appear in experiment.

B. Kriesten, P. Velie, E. Yeats, F.Y. Lopez, S. Liuti arXiv:2101.01826

## **General Framework**



 $\phi_{\lambda_g \Lambda}^{\Lambda_X}(k,p) = \Gamma(k) \frac{U_{\Lambda_X}(p-k) U_{\Lambda}(p)}{k^2 - m_g^2} \not \epsilon_{\lambda_g}^*(k)$ 

 7 Fitted parameters and the initial scale for perturbative evolution.

Quark Parametrization PRD. 84 (2010), PRC 88 (2013)

## Gluon GPD H(X,0,t)

Dipole fit of Lattice QCD calculated moments (P.E. Shanahan, W. Detmold **PRD 99, (2019)**) allows us to fit the the gluon GPD t-dependence.



# Gluon GPD E(X,0,t)

Similarly, we use a dipole fit of Lattice QCD calculated moments (P.E. Shanahan, W. Detmold **PRD 99, (2019)**) to fit the gluon GPD t-dependence, but there is **much flexibility in this fit**.



## **Full Gluon GPD**

Allows us to calculate **gluon observables** as they appear in experimental cross sections.



#### Momentum Space to Transverse Position Space

Probability density of finding a quark at transverse position b from the center of momentum as a function of quark and proton polarization.

M. Burkardt **PRD. 62 (2000)** M. Burkardt *Int.J.Mod.Phys.A* **18 (2003)**  Transverse polarization shifts the unpolarized distribution proportional to the GPD E.

## 2+1 Dimensional Imaging in Impact Parameter Space



Gluon GPDs: B. Kriesten, P. Velie, E. Yeats, F.Y. Lopez, S. Liuti arXiv:2101.01826 Fourier Transforms: A. Rajan, B. Kriesten, S. Liuti (in progress)

# Conclusions

- Gluon spatial distributions are the key to understanding the **fundamental properties of the nucleon** (spin, mass, pressure, etc.).
- An EIC will explore **new kinematic regimes** for femtography using a variety of exclusive processes to place constraints on the quark and gluon distributions.
- Model calculations are necessary for predicting the **size of gluon observables** particularly at an EIC.