Flavor Structure of Hadron Sea and SIDIS

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Flavor structure of the parton distributions in the proton



Analogous questions can be raised for the helicity and TMD parton distributions



Need independent methods to check the $\overline{d} / \overline{u}$ asymmetry and to measure the *x*-dependence



The data suggest $d / \overline{u} < 1$ at large x, but better data are needed

First physics results from SeaQuest (Nature, 590, (2021) 561)



- A new spectrometer was constructed for data collected with 120 GeV proton beam
- The $\overline{d}(x)/\overline{u}(x)$ ratio is found to be greater than 1 for the entire range of 0.13 < x < 0.45
- The SeaQuest finding is in agreement with meson-cloud and statistical models
- The new data will further constrain future nucleon PDFs

From $\overline{d}(x) / \overline{u}(x)$ to $\overline{d}(x) - \overline{u}(x)$



• SIDIS with pion production can give $\overline{d}(x) - \overline{u}(x)$ versus x, anlogous to Drell-Yan

- pQCD $g \to q\overline{q}$ process should give $\overline{d}(x) = \overline{u}(x)$, and does not contribute to $\overline{d}(x) \overline{u}(x)$
- $d(x) \overline{u}(x)$ rises at small $x \Rightarrow$ future measurment of SIDIS at EIC would be crucial for determining the small x contribution to the Gottfried Sum Rule



 $\sigma_{_{pd}}/2\sigma_{_{pp}}$ for Drell-Yan and J/ Ψ in SeaQuest



- J/ Ψ production is dominated by gluon-gluon fusion process
- J/ Ψ ratio should be 1, if gluon content of proton is the same as neutron
- The data show distinct difference for Drell-Yan and J/ Ψ cross section ratios We might test $g_p(x) = g_n(x)$ at small x at EIC?

Origins of $\overline{u}(x) \neq \overline{d}(x)$?



Theory: Thomas, Miller, Kumano, Ma, Londergan, Henley, Speth, Hwang, Melnitchouk, Liu, Cheng/Li, etc.

(For reviews, see Speth and Thomas (1997), Kumano (hep-ph/9702367), Garvey and Peng (nucl-ex/0109010), Chang and Peng (1406.1260))

Theses models also have implications on

- asymmetry between s(x) and $\overline{s}(x)$
- flavor structure of the polarized sea

Meson cloud has significant contributions to sea-quark distributions

Search for the "intrinsic" quark sea In 1980, Brodsky, Hoyer, Peterson, Sakai (BHPS) suggested the existence of "intrinsic" charm

$$|p\rangle = P_{3q} |uud\rangle + P_{5q} |uudQ\bar{Q}\rangle + \cdots$$

The "intrinsic"-charm from $|uudc\overline{c}\rangle$ is "valence"-like and peak at large *x* unlike the "extrinsic" sea $(g \rightarrow c\overline{c})$



"extrinsic sea"

"intrinsic sea"

Comparison between the $d(x) - \overline{u}(x)$ data with the intrinsic 5-q model



(W. Chang and JCP, PRL 106, 252002 (2011))

 $P_5^{uudd\overline{d}} - P_5^{uudu\overline{u}} = 0.118$

The data are in good agreement with the 5-q model after evolution from the initial scale µ to Q²=54 GeV²

The difference in the two 5-quark components can also be determined

Extraction of the various light-quark intrinsic-sea components



New SIDIS data on kaon production at JLab and EIC would be crucial for determining s(x) and $\overline{s}(x)$ ¹²

Future possibilities

- Search for intrinsic charm and beauty at LHC and EIC?
- Intrinsic sea for mesons?
- Spin-dependent observables of intrinsic sea?
- Connection between the 5-quark model and lattice QCD calculations?

Connected-Sea Partons



- Connected sea component for $\overline{u}(x) + d(x)$ is valence-like
- For $\overline{u} + \overline{d}$, momenta carried by CS and DS are roughly equal, at $Q^2 = 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

CTEQ is currently performing an independent study. More SIDIS data from Jlab and EIC would be great ¹⁴

 $s(x) = \overline{s}(x)$?

Meson cloud model

 $p \to K^+ \Lambda_{(u\overline{s})(uds)}$



Analysis of neutrino DIS data

$$x(s-\overline{s})$$



NuTeV, PRL 99 (2007) 192001

Thomas / Brodsky and Ma

 $x(s(x) - \overline{s}(x))$ from global fits



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Sea-quark helicity flavor asymmetry

Prediction of various theoretical models on the integral $I_{\Delta} = \int_0^1 [\Delta \bar{u}(x) - \Delta \bar{d}(x)] dx$.

Model	I_{Δ} prediction	Ref.
Meson cloud (π -meson)	0	[31,127]
Meson cloud ($ ho$ -meson)	$\simeq -$ 0.0007 to -0.027	[117]
Meson cloud ($\pi - \rho$ interf.)	$= -6 \int_{0}^{1} g^{p}(x) dx$	[118]
Meson cloud ($ ho$ and $\pi - ho$ interf.)	$\simeq -0.004$ to -0.033	[119]
Meson cloud (ρ -meson)	<0	[120]
Meson cloud ($\pi - \sigma$ interf.)	$\simeq 0.12$	[132]
Pauli-blocking (bag-model)	$\simeq 0.09$	[119]
Pauli-blocking (ansatz)	$\simeq 0.3$	[128]
Pauli-blocking	$=\frac{5}{3}\int_{0}^{1}[\bar{d}(x)-\bar{u}(x)]dx\simeq 0.2$	[129]
Chiral-quark soliton	0.31	[130]
Chiral-quark soliton	$\simeq \int_0^1 2x^{0.12} [\bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x)] dx$	[131]
Instanton	$= \frac{5}{3} \int_0^1 [\bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x)] dx \simeq 0.2$	[123]
Statistical	$\simeq \int_0^1 [\bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x)] dx \simeq 0.12$	[41]
Statistical	$> \int_0^1 [\bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x)] dx > 0.12$	[126]

W. Chang and JCP (1406.1260)

Meson Cloud Model $u \uparrow \to \pi^0(u\overline{u}) + u \downarrow \qquad u \uparrow \to K^+(u\overline{s}) + s \downarrow; \quad \Delta \overline{u}(x) = \Delta \overline{d}(x) = \Delta \overline{s}(x) = 0$

Chiral-Quark Soliton Model and Statistical Model

 $\Delta \overline{u}(x) - \Delta \overline{d}(x) > \overline{d}(x) - \overline{u}(x)$

$\Delta \overline{u}(x)$ and $\Delta \overline{d}(x)$ from W^{\pm} production at RHIC-spin



 $\Delta \overline{u} > \Delta d$ consistent with some models and lattice QCD

Need longitudinally polarizied SIDIS for pion production at JLab and EIC

Three parton distributions describing quark's transverse momentum and/or transverse spin

Three transverse quantities:

1) Nucleon transverse spin

 $ec{S}_{ot}^{\,\scriptscriptstyle N}$

2) Quark transverse spin

 \vec{s}_{\perp}^{q}

3) Quark transverse

momentum

 $ec{k}_{ot}^{\,q}$

 \Rightarrow Three different correlations

) Transversity
$$h_{1T} = -$$

Correlation between \vec{s}_{\perp}^{q} and \vec{S}_{\perp}^{N}

2) Sivers function
$$f_{1T}^{\perp} = \mathbf{O}^{\perp} - \mathbf{O}^{\perp}$$

Correlation between \vec{S}_{\perp}^{N} and \vec{k}_{\perp}^{q}

3) Boer-Mulders function $h_1^{\perp} = \bigcirc - \bigcirc$

Correlation between \vec{s}_{\perp}^{q} and \vec{k}_{\perp}^{q}

Some remaining questions on transversity to be addressed by future experiments

- Magnitude and sign of the sea-quark transversity?
- Sea-quark flavor asymmetry for transversity (similar to the unpolarized sea and the helicity sea)?
- Other methods to extract the transversity (without using the Collins fragmentation functions)?
- Verify the expected slower Q²-evolution with data at much higher Q² ?

Extraction of nucleon tensor charge

Torino group, Anselmino et al., PRD 87, 094019 (2013)

• $\delta u = 0.39^{+0.18}_{-0.12}$

 $\bullet \ \delta u = 0.31^{+0.16}_{-0.12}$

•
$$\delta d = -0.25^{+0.30}_{-0.10}$$

$$\delta d = -0.27^{+0.10}_{-0.10}$$

$$\delta q = \int_0^1 [h_1^q(x) - h_1^{\bar{q}}(x)] dx$$

1 : Extractions from global fits (using two different Collins FF parameterizations)

2-10: Predictions from various models (including LQCD)

- Tensor charges are smaller than axial charge
- Discrepancy could be caused by neglecting sea transversity in the fit

2 δd δи 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 0.5 1.5 -0.6 -0.4 -0.2 1 0 0 $\Delta d = -0.319$ $\Delta u = 0.787$

Extraction of sea-quark transversity in SIDIS

PHYSICAL REVIEW D 91, 014034 (2015)

Extracting the transversity distributions from single-hadron and dihadron production

Anna Martin,¹ Franco Bradamante,¹ and Vincenzo Barone²



- Large uncertainties in sea-quark transversity from SIDIS data
- Future data at JLab and EIC are needed

Measuring transversity in the Drell-Yan process

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dq^4 d\Omega} \propto \hat{\sigma}_U (1 + S_T \{ D_1 A_T^{\sin \varphi_S} \sin \varphi_S + D_2 [A_T^{\sin(2\varphi_{CS} - \varphi_S)} \sin(2\varphi_{CS} - \varphi_S) + A_T^{\sin(2\varphi_{CS} + \varphi_S)} \sin(2\varphi_{CS} + \varphi_S)] \}).$$

$$D_2 : \text{ depolarization factor}$$

$$\varphi_S : \text{ azimuthal angle between } \vec{q}_T \text{ and } \vec{S}_T$$

$$\varphi_{CS} : \text{ azimuthal angle of } \mu^- \text{ in the Collins-Soper frame}$$

$$A_T^{\sin(2\varphi_s - \varphi_s)} \propto \text{ BM } h_1^\perp |_p \otimes \text{ Transversity } h_1 |_p$$

E1039/SpinQuest can measure the sea-quark transversity

Conclusion

- Many important questions in the flavor structure of the nucleon sea remain to be answered
- JLab and EIC offer exciting opportunities in the near and longer-term future.