# Gluon Structure of Hadrons and Nuclei





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### Gluon Structure

- Past 60+ years: detailed view of quark structure of nucleons
- Gluonic structure (beyond gluon density) relatively unexplored
- Electron-Ion Collider
- Priority in 2015 nuclear physics long range plan
- "Understanding the glue that binds us all"
- Insights from Lattice QCD?



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## Gluon Structure from LQCD





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### Nucleon momentum decomposition

#### **Gluon Momentum fraction**

 Two direct calculations at the physical point since last year

C. Alexandrou et al., arXiv:1706.02973 Y.-B. Yang et al.,  $\chi$ QCD, in preparation





### Nucleon spin decomposition

Two decompositions of the proton spin:



Interpolation between decompositions: M. Engelhardt, PRD 95 094505 (2017)

## Ji spin decomposition

#### C.Alexandrou et al., arXiv:1706.02973

- Physical pion mass
- All terms calculated directly





MS-scheme at 2 GeV

## J-M spin decomposition

#### Y.-B. Yang et al., PRL 118, 102001 (2017)

#### **Gluon Helicity**

- Can't be calculated directly
- Match to calculable ME in infinite momentum frame limit using large momentum effective theory LaMET: X. Ji et al., PRL 111 112002 (2013)





de Florian et. al, Phys.Rev.Lett. 113, 012001 (2014)

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Targets with  $J \ge I$  have leading twist gluon parton distribution  $\Delta(x,Q^2)$ : double helicity flip [Jaffe & Manohar 1989]

- Unambiguously gluonic: no analogous quark PDF at twist-2
- Non-vanishing in forward limit for targets with spin $\geq$  [
- Experimentally measurable in unpolarised electron DIS on polarised target
  - Nitrogen target: JLab Lol 2015
  - Polarised nuclei at EIC
- Moments calculable in LQCD



Double helicity flip structure function  $\Delta(x,Q^2)$ 



Changes both photon and target helicity by 2 units  $\Delta(x, Q^2) = A$  = A = + + -

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#### Moments of $\Delta(x,Q^2)$ are calculable in LQCD



Determined by matrix elements of local gluonic operators

$$\begin{split} \langle pE'|\underline{S} \left[ G_{\mu\mu_1} \overleftarrow{D}_{\mu_3} \dots \overleftarrow{D}_{\mu_n} G_{\nu\mu_2} \right] | pE \rangle \\ &= (-2i)^{n-2} \underline{S} \left[ (p_{\mu}E'^*_{\mu_1} - p_{\mu_1}E'^*_{\mu}) (p_{\nu}E_{\mu_2} - p_{\mu_2}E_{\nu}) \right. \\ &+ (\mu \leftrightarrow \nu) \right] p_{\mu_3} \dots p_{\mu_n} \underline{A_n(Q^2)} \dots, \end{split}$$

**Reduced Matrix Element** 

#### Gluon transversity of the $\varphi$ meson

- First moment in  $\phi$  meson (simplest spin-1 system  $\rightarrow$  nuclei)
- Lattice details: clover fermions, Lüscher-Weisz gauge action

L/a	T/a	eta	$am_l$	$am_s$		
24	64	6.1	-0.2800	-0.2450		
a (fm)	L (fm)	T (fm)	$m_\pi$ (MeV)	$m_K$ (MeV)		
0.1167(16)	2.801(29)	7.469(77)	450(5)	596(6)		
$m_{\phi}$ (MeV)	$m_{\phi} (MeV) \qquad m_{\pi}L \\ 1040(3) \qquad 6.390$		$N_{ m cfg}$	$N_{ m src}$ $10^5$		
1040(3)			1042			

- Many systematics not addressed (yet)
  - Quark mass effects
  - Volume effects

- Discretisation
- Renormalisation Alexandrou et al. arXiv:1611.06901

W. Detmold, PES, PRD 94 (2016), 014507 + W. Detmold, D. Pefkou, PES PRD 95 (2017), 114515

## Doing lattice QCD

Correlation decays exponentially with distance in time:

$$C(t) = \sum_{n \leftarrow Z_n} Z_n \exp(-E_n t)$$
 all eigenstates with q#'s of proton

At late times:

 $\rightarrow Z_0 \exp(-E_0 t)$ 

Ground state mass revealed through "effective mass plot"

$$M(t) = \ln \left[\frac{C(t)}{C(t+1)}\right] \stackrel{t \to \infty}{\longrightarrow} E_0$$



## LQCD matrix elements

### How do we calculate matrix elements?

- Create three quarks (correct quantum numbers) at a source and annihilate the three quarks at sink far from source
- Insert operator at intermediate timeslice



Remove time-dependence by dividing out with two-point correlators:  $\frac{C_3(t,\tau,\vec{p'},\vec{q})}{C_2(t-\tau,p')C_2(\tau,p)} \stackrel{t \to \infty}{\longrightarrow} \langle N(p') | \mathcal{O}(q) | N(p) \rangle$ 

#### Calculate lowest moment of $\Delta(x,Q^2)$ :



Ratio of LQCD correlators  $R_{jk}(t, \tau, \vec{p})$ 



Discrete lattice: rotational symmetry hypercubic symmetry
 Take linear combinations of operators that transform irreducibly under hypercubic group: safe from mixing
 e.g., for \$\mathcal{O}\_{\mu\nu\mu\_1\mu\_2}^{(E)} = G\_{\mu\mu\_1}^{(E)}G\_{\nu\mu\_2}^{(E)}\$ use \$\mathcal{O}\_{1,1}^{(E)} = \frac{1}{8\sqrt{3}} \left(-2\mathcal{O}\_{1122}^{(E)} + \mathcal{O}\_{1133}^{(E)} + \mathcal{O}\_{2233}^{(E)} + \mathcal{O}\_{2244}^{(E)} - 2\mathcal{O}\_{3344}^{(E)}\right)\$

$$\begin{split} C_{jk}^{2\text{pt}}(t,\vec{p}) &= \sum_{\vec{x}} e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \langle \eta_j(t,\vec{x})\eta_k^{\dagger}(0,\vec{0}) \rangle \\ &= Z_{\phi} \left( e^{-Et} + e^{-E(T-t)} \right) \sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_j^{(E)}(\vec{p},\lambda) \epsilon_k^{(E)*}(\vec{p},\lambda) \\ &= Z_{\phi} e^{-Et} \sum_{\lambda\lambda'} \epsilon_j^{(E)}(\vec{p},\lambda) \epsilon_k^{(E)*}(\vec{p},\lambda') \langle \vec{p},\lambda|\mathcal{O}|\vec{p},\lambda'\rangle \end{split}$$

$$R_{jk}(t,\tau,\vec{p}) = \frac{C_{jk}^{3\text{pt}}(t,\tau,\vec{p}) + C_{jk}^{3\text{pt}}(T-t,T-\tau,\vec{p})}{C_{jk}^{2\text{pt}}(t,\vec{p})}$$

- All polarisation combinations (j,k)
- Boost momenta up to (I,I,I)
- Examine all elements of each hypercubic irrep.

ratio depends on polarisations, momentum, operator



operator insertion time  $\tau$ 

#### W. Detmold, PES, PRD 94 (2016), 014507



## Soffer-type Bounds

Constraint relating transversity, spin-indep. and spin-dep. distributions

For quark distributions in spin 1/2 state:

$$|\delta q(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( q(x) + \Delta q(x) \right)$$

#### Analogue for first moments of gluon distributions?

 Need to calculate moments of spin independent gluon distribution (first moment of spin-dependent gluon distribution vanishes by operator symmetries)

## Spin-indep. gluon structure

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Spin-independent gluon operator:

$$\overline{\mathcal{O}}_{\mu_1\dots\mu_n} = S\left[G_{\mu_1\alpha}\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_3}\dots\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu_n}G_{\mu_2}^{\alpha}\right]$$

Matrix elements at n=2 define lowest moment of structure functions

$$\langle pE' | \overline{\mathcal{O}}_{\mu_1 \mu_2} | pE \rangle = S \left[ M^2 E_{\mu_1}'^* E_{\mu_2} \right] B_{2,1}(\mu^2) + S \left[ (E \cdot E'^*) p_{\mu_1} p_{\mu_2} \right] B_{2,2}(\mu^2)$$

Two reduced matrix elements

- Analysis as in transversity case
- Mixing with quark ops. neglected, pQCD calcs. shown that it is small: Alexandrou 1611.06901



## Soffer-type Bounds

Soffer-type bound for leading moments of gluon distributions (spin-1 state):

$$\begin{aligned} |A_2| \leq \frac{1}{24} (5B_{2,1} - 6B_{2,2}) \\ |Spin-dependent \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$|0.24| \le \frac{1}{24} \left[ 5(-0.5) - 6(-1.4) \right] = 0.24$$

Soffer-like bound approximately saturated

### Gluon Radii

How does the gluon radius of a proton compare to the quark/charge radius?



Or is the picture more complicated?

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$$= \sum_{\substack{m \text{ even} \\ m=0}}^{n} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} B_{1,m}^{(n+2)}(\Delta^{2}) M^{2}S \left[ E_{\mu}E_{\nu}^{\prime*}\Delta_{\mu_{1}} \dots \Delta_{\mu_{m}}P_{\mu_{m+1}} \dots P_{\mu_{n}} \right] \right. \\ \left. + B_{2,m}^{(n+2)}(\Delta^{2}) S \left[ (E \cdot E_{\nu}^{\prime*} \times P \cdot P \cdot A_{\nu} - P \cdot P_{\nu} - P_{\nu} -$$

#### Matrix elements of the gluon transversity structure function

Similarly complicated:  $\left\langle p'E' \left| S \left| G_{\mu\mu_1} \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}_{\mu_3} \dots \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}_{\mu_n} G_{\nu\mu_2} \right| \right| pE \right\rangle$  $=\sum_{\substack{m \text{ odd}\\m=3}}^{n} \left\{ A_{1,m-3}^{(n)}(t,\mu^2) S\left[ (P_{\mu}E_{\mu_1} - E_{\mu}P_{\mu_1})(P_{\nu}E_{\mu_2}^{\prime*} - E_{\nu}^{\prime*}P_{\mu_2})\Delta_{\mu_3} \dots \Delta_{\mu_{m-1}}P_{\mu_m} \dots P_{\mu_n} \right] \right\}$  $+\frac{A_{2,m-3}^{(n)}(t,\mu^2)}{A_{3,m-3}^{(n)}(t,\mu^2)}S\left[(\Delta_{\mu}E_{\mu_1}-E_{\mu}\Delta_{\mu_1})(\Delta_{\nu}E_{\mu_2}^{\prime*}-E_{\nu}^{\prime*}\Delta_{\mu_2})\Delta_{\mu_3}\dots\Delta_{\mu_{m-1}}P_{\mu_m}\dots P_{\mu_n}\right]$ + $\frac{A_{3,m-3}^{(n)}(t,\mu^2)}{S\left[((\Delta_{\mu}E_{\mu_1}-E_{\mu}\Delta_{\mu_1})(P_{\nu}E_{\mu_2}^{\prime*}-E_{\nu}^{\prime*}P_{\mu_2})-(\Delta_{\mu}E_{\mu_1}^{\prime*}-E_{\mu}^{\prime*}\Delta_{\mu_1})(P_{\nu}E_{\mu_2}-E_{\nu}P_{\mu_2})\right]}$  $\times \Delta_{\mu_3} \dots \Delta_{\mu_{m-1}} P_{\mu_m} \dots P_{\mu_n}$  $+ \frac{A_{4,m-3}^{(n)}(t,\mu^2)}{M^2} S\left[ (E_{\mu}E_{\mu_1}^{\prime*} - E_{\mu_1}E_{\mu}^{\prime*})(P_{\nu}\Delta_{\mu_2} - P_{\mu_2}\Delta_{\nu})\Delta_{\mu_3}\dots\Delta_{\mu_{m-1}}P_{\mu_m}\dots P_{\mu_n} \right] \\ + \frac{A_{5,m-3}^{(n)}(t,\mu^2)}{M^2} S\left[ ((E \cdot P)(P_{\mu}\Delta_{\mu_1} - \Delta_{\mu}P_{\mu_1})(\Delta_{\nu}E_{\mu_2}^{\prime*} - E_{\nu}^{\prime*}\Delta_{\mu_2}) \right]$ +  $(E'^* \cdot P)(P_{\mu}\Delta_{\mu_1} - \Delta_{\mu}P_{\mu_1})(\Delta_{\nu}E_{\mu_2} - E_{\nu}\Delta_{\mu_2}))\Delta_{\mu_3}\dots\Delta_{\mu_{m-1}}P_{\mu_m}\dots P_{\mu_n}]$ +  $\frac{A_{6,m-3}^{(n)}(t,\mu^2)}{M^2}S\left[((E \cdot P)(P_{\mu}\Delta_{\mu_1} - \Delta_{\mu}P_{\mu_1})(P_{\nu}E_{\mu_2}^{\prime*} - E_{\nu}^{\prime*}P_{\mu_2})\right]$  $- (E^{\prime *} \cdot P) (P_{\mu} \Delta_{\mu_{1}} - \Delta_{\mu} P_{\mu_{1}}) (P_{\nu} E_{\mu_{2}} - E_{\nu} P_{\mu_{2}})) \Delta_{\mu_{3}} \dots \Delta_{\mu_{m-1}} P_{\mu_{m}} \dots P_{\mu_{n}}] \\ + \underbrace{\frac{A_{7,m-3}^{(n)}(t,\mu^{2})}{M^{2}}}_{M^{2}} (E^{\prime *} \cdot E) S \left[ (P_{\mu} \Delta_{\mu_{1}} - \Delta_{\mu} P_{\mu_{1}}) (P_{\nu} \Delta_{\mu_{2}} - \Delta_{\nu} P_{\mu_{2}}) \Delta_{\mu_{3}} \dots \Delta_{\mu_{m-1}} P_{\mu_{m}} \dots P_{\mu_{n}} \right]$  $+ \underbrace{A_{8,m-3}^{(n)}(t,\mu^2)}_{M4} (E \cdot P)(E'^* \cdot P) S\left[ (P_{\mu}\Delta_{\mu_1} - \Delta_{\mu}P_{\mu_1})(P_{\nu}\Delta_{\mu_2} - \Delta_{\nu}P_{\mu_2})\Delta_{\mu_3} \dots \Delta_{\mu_{m-1}}P_{\mu_m} \dots P_{\mu_n} \right] \Big\}$ 

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( 0.604	0.0424	0	0	0	0	0.0588	0			
0.592	$-2.45 \times 10^{-3}$	0.0785	-0.0785	$6.58 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.0992	-0.103	$-4.15 \times 10^{-3}$			
0.485	0.0429	0	0	0	0 –	0.0379	0			(0.179(36))
0.481	0.0431	$-3.02 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.02 \times 10^{-5}$	$-2.53 \times 10^{-6}$	$-4.03 \times 10^{-7}$	0.0374	$-1.69 \times 10^{-8}$			$\left(\begin{array}{c} 0.110(30)\\ 0.150(38)\end{array}\right)$
0.475	$-3.29 \times 10^{-3}$	0.0791	-0.0791	$6.59 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.0791	-0.0824	$-3.29 \times 10^{-3}$			0.152(30)
0.353	$-7.97 \times 10^{-4}$	0.0385	-0.0385	$3.28 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.0598	-0.0631	$-2.54 \times 10^{-3}$			0.154(37)
0.347	-0.0382	0	0	0	0	0.0962	0			0.129(32)
0.258	0.0806	0	0	0	0	-0.0374	0			0.056(31)
0.258	0.0808	0	0 - 4	0	0	-0.0379	0			0.067(41)
0.253	0.101	$-8.60 \times 10^{-1}$	8.60 × 10	$-7.20 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.32 \times 10^{-4}$	-0.0588	$2.65 \times 10^{-3}$			0.050(33) 0.069(21)
0.239	$-1.66 \times 10^{-3}$	0.0401	-0.0401	$3.29 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.0393	-0.0402	$-1.61 \times 10^{-3}$			0.093(36)
0.238	$-1.65 \times 10^{-5}$	0.0396 - 4	-0.0396	$3.29 \times 10^{-5}$	-0.0396	-0.0412	$-1.65 \times 10^{-3}$			0.028(32)
0.228	-0.0581	$8.30 \times 10^{-4}$	$-8.30 \times 10^{-4}$	$6.94 \times 10^{-5}$	$-1.04 \times 10^{-0}$	0.0962	$-4.33 \times 10^{-6}$			0.041(27)
0.228	-0.0379	0	0	0	0	0.0758	0	$((1)^{(2)})$		0.012(33)
0.0590	-0.0109	0.139	-0.139	0.0112	$-4.97 \times 10^{-3}$	$-3.94 \times 10^{-4}$	$-8.24 \times 10^{-6}$	$\begin{pmatrix} A_{1,0}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}$		0.029(30)
0.0578	$-2.56 \times 10^{-2}$	$9.42 \times 10^{-6}$	$-9.42 \times 10^{-9}$	3.89 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	$-4.65 \times 10^{-6}$	2.51 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	$5.25 \times 10^{-5}$	$A_{2,0}^{(2)}(1)$		-0.024(11)
0.0338	$1.59 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.128	0.128	-0.0107	$3.18 \times 10^{-4}$	0.0154	$1.33 \times 10^{-5}$	$(2)^{(2)}$		-0.0056(9)
0.0183	$6.36 \times 10^{-3}$	$-1.29 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.29 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.84 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.84 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.99 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.18 \times 10^{-6}$	$A_{3,0}^{(1)}$		-0.002(11
0.0155	$-4.78 \times 10^{-5}$	-0.128	0.128	-0.0111	$-4.52 \times 10^{-3}$	$9.41 \times 10^{-3}$	$8.14 \times 10^{-0}$	$A_{4,0}^{(2)}(1)$		0.009(16)
$1.19 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.0106	0.129	-0.129	0.0108	$-3.22 \times 10^{-4}$	$-6.45 \times 10^{-4}$	$-1.35 \times 10^{-5}$	(2)	=	0.0162(91
0.549	$2.44 \times 10^{-3}$	0	0	0	0	0.0895	0	$A_{5,0}^{(1)}$		0.086(26)
0.546	$-1.88 \times 10^{-3}$	0.0676	-0.0676	$5.69 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.0918	-0.0960	$-3.86 \times 10^{-3}$	$A_{e}^{(2)}(1)$		0.131(31) 0.155(33)
0.498	0.0710	0	0	0	0	0.0123	0	(2)		0.100(33) 0.086(33)
0.480	$-2.37 \times 10^{-5}$	0.0685	-0.0685	$5.70 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.0799	-0.0828	$-3.33 \times 10^{-5}$	$A_{7,0}^{(1)}$		0.098(16)
0.429	0.0714	$5 14 \times 10 - 4$	$5 14 \times 10^{-4}$	$120 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.22 \times 10^{-7}$	0 0192	0 = 10 - 9	$\left  \left\langle A_{8,0}^{(2)}(1) \right\rangle \right $		0.094(17)
0.424	0.0834	-5.14 X 10 -	5.14 X 10 -	-4.30 X 10 °	1.33 X 10 ·	-0.0123	5.55 X 10 °	x 8,0 x //		0.088(27)
0.412	$2.85 \times 10^{-3}$	0	0	U 	0	0.0657	0 - 3			0.114(25)
0.412	$-2.85 \times 10^{-3}$	0.0685	-0.0685	$5.70 \times 10^{-5}$	-0.0685	-0.0714	$-2.85 \times 10^{-8}$			0.075(27) 0.034(25)
0.409	$-8.65 \times 10^{-3}$	4.61 × 10	$-4.61 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.86 \times 10^{-3}$	$-8.30 \times 10^{-3}$	0.0771	$-3.47 \times 10^{-6}$			-0.006(22)
0.0674	$-6.43 \times 10^{-6}$	0.0856	-0.0856	$6.70 \times 10^{-6}$	-5.55 X 10 °	$-8.26 \times 10^{-6}$	$-1.73 \times 10^{-4}$			-0.001(31)
0.0656	4.96 × 10 <sup>+</sup>	$-9.21 \times 10^{-4}$	$9.21 \times 10^{-4}$	$-6.37 \times 10^{-6}$	-0.0119	-0.0132	$-5.32 \times 10^{-4}$			0.022(11)
0.0314	-0.0085	0 155	0 155	0 0127	$2.05 \times 10^{-3}$	0.0771	$1.06 \times 10^{-5}$			0.014(16)
0.0347	-0.0124	0.155	-0.155	0.0127	$-3.05 \times 10^{-3}$	$-6.00 \times 10$	$-1.20 \times 10^{-5}$			0.0010(16
0.0327	$5.99 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.0692	0.0692	$-0.03 \times 10^{-3}$	$-2.50 \times 10^{-3}$	0.11 X 10	$1.08 \times 10^{-5}$			0.0008(85
0.0301	$4.59 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.0738	0.0738	-5.95 X 10	$2.98 \times 10^{-3}$	0.0123	$1.07 \times 10^{-5}$			0.001(29)
0.0285 0.0171	$-1.84 \times 10^{-0.0685}$	-0.147	0.147	-0.0126	$-2.43 \times 10^{-0}$	0.0143 -0.0657	1.24 × 10 °			0.005(18)
0.0171	0.0000	$0.75 \times 10^{-4}$	$0.75 \times 10^{-4}$	$8.17 \times 10^{-5}$	$0.62 \times 10^{-7}$	-0.0007	$4.02 \times 10^{-8}$			. ,
$1.50 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.43 \times 10^{-3}$	- 5.75 × 10	-0.0736	$-6.17 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.03 \times 10^{-3}$	$-1.07 \times 10^{-3}$	$-1.71 \times 10^{-6}$	)		
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Simplest example: Transversity GFFs One basis (2 vectors) Mtm I (lattice units)

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Simplest example: Transversity GFFs One basis (2 vectors) Mtm I (lattice units)

#### Example:

Spin-indep GFFs, lowest non-zero momentum transfer

- Projection into planes of dominant GFFs
- Others set to 0±10
- Only tightly-constrained bands shown in each projection.







### Gluon Transversity GFFs

W. Detmold, PES, PRD 94 (2016), 014507 + W. Detmold, D. Pefkou, PES PRD 95 (2017), 114515

One GFF can be resolved for all momenta



## Spin-Indep. Gluon GFFs

W. Detmold, PES, PRD 94 (2016), 014507 + W. Detmold, D. Pefkou, PES PRD 95 (2017), 114515

Three GFFs can be resolved for all momenta



## Spin-Indep. Quark GFFs

W. Detmold, PES, PRD 94 (2016), 014507 + W. Detmold, D. Pefkou, PES PRD 95 (2017), 114515

#### Three GFFs can be resolved for all momenta

GFF decomposition has precisely the same structure as in the spinindependent gluon case



### Quark and Gluon GFFs

Ratio of gluon to quark unpolarised GFFs



Gluon vs quark radius is a non-trivial question Much more complicated than intuitive pictures

## Gluon Structure from LQCD





How is the gluon structure of a proton modified in a nucleus

Gluonic 'EMC' effect
 'Exotic' glue

## Glue structure of nuclei

#### First investigations:

φ meson simplest spin-1 system (has fwd limit gluon transversity)



Phenomenologically relevant: nucleon, nuclei



# Gluon structure - nuclei

#### European Muon Collaboration (1983):

Modification of per-nucleon cross section of nucleons bound in nuclei

Precise understanding of nuclear targets essential for DUNE expt: extraction of neutrino mass hierarchy, mixing parameters Ratio of structure function  $F_2$  per nucleon for iron and deuterium

$$F_2(x,Q^2) = \sum_{q=u,d,s..} x z_q^2 \left[ q(x,Q^2) + \bar{q}(x,Q^2) \right]$$



What is the gluonic analogue of the EMC effect?

## Nuclear glue, $m_{\pi} \sim 450 \text{ MeV}$

#### NPLQCD Collaboration, arXiv: 1709.00395

Signals for spin-independent gluon operator in deuteron



### Gluon momentum fraction

#### NPLQCD Collaboration, arXiv:1709.00395

- Matrix elements of the Spin-independent gluon operator in nucleon and light nuclei
- Present statistics: can't distinguish from no-EMC effect scenario
- Small additional uncertainty from mixing with quark operators



Double helicity flip structure function  $\Delta(x,Q^2)$ Jaffe and Manohar, "Nuclear Gluonometry" Phys. Lett. B223 (1989) 218

Hadrons: Gluonic Transversity (parton model interpretation)

$$\Delta(x,Q^2) = -\frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} \text{Tr} Q^2 x^2 \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y^3} \left[ g_{\hat{x}}(y,Q^2) - g_{\hat{y}}(x,Q^2) \right]$$

 $g_{\hat{x},\hat{y}}(y,Q^2)$ : probability of finding a gluon with momentum fraction y linearly polarised in  $\hat{x}$ ,  $\hat{y}$  direction

#### Nuclei: Exotic Glue

gluons not associated with individual nucleons in nucleus

$$\langle p|\mathcal{O}|p\rangle = 0$$
  
 $\langle N, Z|\mathcal{O}|N, Z\rangle \neq 0$ 



## Non-nucleonic Glue in Deuteron

#### NPLQCD Collaboration, arXiv: 1709.00395

First moment of gluon transversity distribution in the deuteron,  $m_{\pi} \sim 800 \text{ MeV}$ 

- First evidence for non-nucleonic gluon contributions to nuclear structure
- Magnitude relative to momentum fraction as expected from large-Nc

#### Ratio of 3pt and 2pt functions



## Gluon structure circa 2025

- Electron-lon collider will dramatically alter our knowledge of the gluonic structure of hadrons and nuclei
  - Work towards a complete 3D picture of parton structure (moments, x-dependence of PDFs, GPDs, TMDs)
  - $\Delta(x,Q^2)$  has an interesting role

Purely gluonic

Non-nucleonic: directly probe nuclear effects



- Compare quark and gluon distributions in hadrons and nuclei
- Lattice QCD calculations in hadrons and light nuclei will complement and extend understanding of fundamental structure of nature