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# **Global Analysis of Helicity PDFs present status & future avenues**

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# outline



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# **ANATOMY OF A** GLOBAL QCD ANALYSIS

how to determine PDFs (and FFs) from data? **information on nucleon (spin) structure available from**



**task:** extract reliable PDFs (or FFs) not just compare some curves to data

- all processes tied together: universality of pdfs &  $Q^2$  evolution
- **E** each reaction provides insights into *different* aspects and kinematics
- need at least NLO for quantitative analyses; PDFs are not observables!
- information on PDFs "hidden" inside complicated (multi-)convolutions

# a **"global QCD analysis"** is required

# prerequisite: a reliable theoretical framework



factorization …

- … separates physics happening at different time/distance scales
- ... introduces unphysical scales  $\mu_{f,r}$  (leads to powerful RGE like DGLAP)
- ... requires presence of a hard scale (like Q in DIS or  $p_T$  in pp collisions)
- … is an approximation corrections are power suppressed
- … leads to a successful quantitative description of many hard scattering proc's

# outline of a global QCD analysis

**start:** choose fact. scheme (MS,…) & pert. order (NLO, …), select data sets, cuts, …



flexible functional form to parametrize PDFs  $f(x, \mu_0) = Nx^{\alpha}(1-x)^{\beta}[1 + \kappa\sqrt{x} + \gamma x]$ at some initial scale  $\mu_0$  (of order 1 GeV) obtain PDFs at any  $x, \mu > \mu_0$  relevant for comparing with data by solving evolution eqs.

compute DIS, pp, … cross sections at NLO judge goodness of current fit

$$
\chi^2 = \sum_i \frac{(T_i - E_i)^2}{\delta E_i^2}
$$

**optimum set of parameters**  $\{\alpha_{\mathsf{i}}\text{, } \beta_{\mathsf{i}}\text{, } ...\}$ 

**recent achievement:** also **quantify PDF uncertainties** and properly propagate them to any observable of interest



# **HELICITY PDFS** (I) BASICS & DSSV GLOBAL ANALYSIS

# things that shook the World in Dec. 1987

- Dec 1st: construction of Channel tunnel initiated
- Dec 1st: NASA awards contracts to build Space Station Freedom
- Dec 8th: first Intifada begins in Gaza strip
- Dec 8th: INF treaty signed in Washington, D.C.
- Dec 9th: Windows 2 released
- Dec 18th: Perl created by Larry Wall
- Dec  $24^{th}$ : Japanese band BOØWY declares breakup











12:04:54 At

Fast





## ... meanwhile in Physics

The total cross section for the production of heavy quarks in hadronic collisions

> P. Nason and S. Dawson Brookhaven National Laboratory Upton, LI, New York 11973

R. K. Ellis Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory P. O. Box 500, Batavia, Illinois 60510

December 23, 1987

#### Abstract

We present the results of a full calculation of the QCD  $O(\alpha_S^3)$  radiative corrections to the total cross section for the production of a heavy quark pair. We find large contributions for parton sub-energies near threshold and well above threshold. The implications for the production of top and bottom quarks at collider energies are discussed.

#### NPB303 (1988) 607 1218 citations

EUROPEAN ORGANIZATION FOR NUCLEAR RESEARCH

on the very same day ...

CERN-EP/87-230 December 23rd, 1987

A MEASUREMENT OF THE SPIN ASYMMETRY AND DETERMINATION OF THE STRUCTURE FUNCTION 8, IN DEEP INSLASTIC MUON-PROTON SCATTERING

The European Muon Collaboration

#### **ABSTRACT**

The spin asymmetry in deep inelastic scattering of longitudinally polarised muons by longitudinally polarised protons has been measured over a large x range (.01  $\lt x \lt 0.7$ ). The spin dependent structure function  $g(x)$  for the proton has been determined and its integral over x found to be  $0.114 \pm 0.012 \pm 0.026$ , in disagreement with the Ellis-Jaffe sum rule. Assuming the validity of the Bjorken sum rule, this result implies a significant negative value for the integral of  $s_1$  for the neutron. These values for the integrals of  $s_1$  lead to the conclusion that the total quark spin constitutes a rather small fraction of the spin of the nucleon.

PLB206 (1988) 364 1533 citations

# tremendous exp. efforts in the past 25+ years



## **SLAC** E142, E143, E154, E155



#### **CERN**

EMC, SMC, **COMPASS** 



**JLab** Hall A, CLAS







### **BNL**

PHENIX, STAR

pp collisions at 200 & 500 GeV



**<sup>11\$</sup>**

**helicity parton densities** 
$$
\frac{|p_+ + \sum_{i=1}^{p_+} x_i|^2 - |p_+ + \sum_{i=1}^{p_-} x_i|^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{p_-} x_i}
$$
  
\ndefined as matrix elements of bi-local operators on the light-cone, e.g.:  
\n
$$
\Delta q(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int dy^{-} e^{iy^{-}x} P^+ \langle P, S | \overline{\Psi}_q(0, y^-, \vec{0}) \gamma^+ \gamma_5 \mathcal{F} \Psi_q(0) | P, S \rangle
$$
  
\nFourier transform such that quark and x<sup>+</sup> = 0 and x<sup>-</sup>y  
\ncarries x P<sup>\*</sup>  
\nwe need a "gauge link" for a gauge invariant definition:  
\n
$$
\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{P} \exp \left( -ig \int_0^{y^-} dz^{-} A_a^+(0, z^-, \vec{0}) T_a \right)
$$
  
\n("irrelevant" here, but plays a major role for transverse polarization)  
\n
$$
\Delta g(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi x P^+} \int dy^{-} e^{iy^{-}x} P^+ \langle P, S | F_a^{+j}(0, y^-, \vec{0}) \mathcal{F} \mathcal{F}_{+j}(0) | P, S \rangle
$$
  
\ncompicates connection with S<sub>g</sub>  
\n(local operator only in A<sup>-1</sup>O gauge)  
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$$

# **DSSV analysis - overview**

DSSV: de Florian, Sassot, MS, Vogelsang; PRL101 (2008) 072001; PRD80 (2009) 034030

1<sup>st</sup> global QCD analysis of polarized PDFs; consistently performed at NLO

flexible functional form  $x \Delta f_j(x, 1 \text{ GeV}) = N_j x^{\alpha_j} (1-x)^{\beta_j} \left[1 + \kappa_j \sqrt{x} + \gamma_j x\right]$ possible nodes

assumptions on parameter space avoided as much as possible fit respects, however, constraints on 1<sup>st</sup> moments  $\frac{\Delta u_{\rm tot} - \Delta d_{\rm tot} = (F + D)[1 + \varepsilon_{\rm SU(2)}]}{\Delta u_{\rm tot} + \Delta d_{\rm tot} - 2\Delta s_{\rm tot} = (3F - D)[1 + D]$ small

excellent description of world data



estimates of PDF uncertainties with Lagrange multipliers & Hessian method

other recent fits: LSS (Leader, Sidorov, Stamenov); BB (Blumlein, Bottcher);

NNPDF (Neural Network PDF Collaboration, R.D. Ball et al.)

results will be shown along the way

emerging picture from DSSV analysis in 2008/09



# a closer look: valence quark PDFs



# 1st hints at non-trivial sea polarizations

**indications for an SU(2) breaking of light polarized u,d sea**



 $\begin{array}{l} \Delta \bar{u}>0\ \Delta \bar{d}<0 \end{array}$ 

- similar size than in unpol. case
- **E** driven by SIDIS  $h^{\pm}$ ,  $\pi^{\pm}$  data
- still large uncertainties



**nany models give comparable results** 

large-N<sub>c</sub>, chiral quark models, meson cloud, Pauli blocking, ...

Thomas, Signal, Cao; Holtmann, Speth, Fassler; Diakonov, Polyakov, Weiss; Schafer, Fries; Kumano; Wakamatsu; Gluck, Reya; Bourrely, Soffer, …

## strangeness conundrum



striking result, but relies on

- **E** kaon fragmentation **Q: how reliable ?** more data available soon (BELLE, COMPASS, HERMES)
- unpolarized PDFs **Q: how well do we know s(x) ?**  HERMES result for s(x) does not agree well with CTEQ
- SU(3) breaking uncertainties **Q: sizable ?**

#### **needs further studies exp. & theory !**

 **aside:** Δs also small in lattice computations Bali, Collins, ...

Lipkin; Zhu, Puglia, Ramsey-Musolf; Savage, Walden; …



# **INTERLUDE: FRAGMENTATION**

# fragmentation functions: overview



crucial for pQCD interpretation (factorization) of all data with detected (identified) hadrons, e.g., SIDIS (HERMES, COMPASS),  $pp \rightarrow \pi X$  (PHENIX, ALICE, ...)

**observation:** all FFs based only on e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> (LEP) data do a bad job here

**some properties of Di h(z,μ)** [very similar to PDFs]**:**

- non-perturbative but universal; pQCD predicts μ–dep.
- describe the collinear transition of a parton "i" into a massless hadron "h" carrying fractional momentum z quark/gluon



• bi-local operator:  $D(z)\simeq \int dy^- e^{iP^+/zy^-}\text{Tr}\gamma^+\braket{0|\psi(y^-)(hX)\braket{hX}\overline{\psi}(0)\ket{0}}$ Collins, Soper '81, '83 !!!!!!!!!!! no inclusive final-state

no local OPE --> no lattice formulation

also: power corrections are much less developed and entwined with mass effects unlike for pdfs

# **DSS analysis: overview**

**D. de Florian, R. Sassot, MS PRD 75 (2007) 114010** **76 (2007) 074033**

**goal:** provide NLO (LO) sets for pions, kaons, protons, charged hadrons **From a global fit to eteth, ep, and pp data on 1-hadron production** 

**P** requires a flexible functional form

$$
D_i^h(z, 1 \,\text{GeV}) = N_i z^{\alpha_i} (1-z)^{\beta_i} \left[ 1 + \gamma_i (1-z)^{\delta_i} \right]
$$

**The try to avoid assumptions on paramater space if possible** 

SU(2), SU(3) breaking:  $D_{d+\bar{d}}^{\pi^+} = ND_{u+\bar{u}}^{\pi^+}$   $D_s^{\pi^+} = D_{\bar{s}}^{\pi^+} = N'D_{\bar{u}}^{\pi^+}$ 

only normalization shifts can be fitted

but data do not discriminate between other unfavored FFs:

 $D_{\bar{u}}^{\pi^+} = D_{d}^{\pi^+}$  $D_{\overline{u}}^{K^+} = D_s^{K^+} = D_{\overline{d}}^{K^+} = D_{\overline{d}}^{K^+}$ 

I like in PDF fits we allow for

- relative normalizations/shifts of data sets
- cuts: z > 0.05 pions, z > 0.1 otherwise
- extra "TH errors": scale uncertainty (pp); flavor tag; bin size, …

# good description of SIDIS multiplicities



# other recent fits of NLO FFs



AKK08: Albino, Kniehl, Kramer || HKNS: Hirai, Kumano, Nagai, Sudoh

ete<sup>-</sup> data only impose isospin sym. for pions Hessian method for uncertainties

 e+e- & pp data e+e impose isospin sym. for pions fit hadron masses large-z resummations mass corrections (ad hoc for pp) Hessian method for uncertainties

# comparison of pion FFs





# upcoming precision etet data from B factories





# **HELICITY PDFS** (II) SOME RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

# meanwhile, new data became available ...



- how well are we doing ?
- refit/new analysis necessary ?
- impact on uncertainties ?

- **DIS**:  $A_1$ <sup>p</sup> from COMPASS arXiv:1001.4654
- •SIDIS: A<sub>1,d</sub>π,K from COMPASS arXiv:0905.2828
- **SIDIS:**  $A_{1,p}^{\pi,k}$  from COMPASS arXiv:1007.4061
	- **extended x coverage** w.r.t. HERMES





 $\checkmark$  DSSV does a very good job: 15 points,  $\chi^2$  = 14.2



**29\$**



#### LSS Leader, Sidorov, Stamenov analysis arXiv:1010:0574



outcome very similar to DSSV analysis within uncertainties



## **BB Blumlein/Bottcher analysis**



arXiv:1005:3113

### **NNPDF Neural Network PDF Collaboration analyses** arXiv:1007:0351



- novel way to estimate PDF uncertainties • successfully applied to unpolarized PDFs • statistical approach based on large number of replicas -> clear way to "define" errors • "issues": over-learning (?); no central fit,
	- need average over 100-1000 replicas

a full polarized PDF analysis is work in progress



# As revisited: impact of COMPASS data

current value for ΔΣ strongly depends on assumptions on low-x behavior of Δs



- but large negative 1<sup>st</sup> moment entirely driven by assumptions on SU(3) [F,D values]
- caveat: dependence on FFs

$$
R_{SF} \equiv \frac{\int D_{\bar{s}}^{K^{+}}(z)dz}{\int D_{u}^{K^{+}}(z)dz}
$$



# $\Delta s$ : can we blame it on the fragmentation fcts?

indeed, flavor decomposition strongly depends on fragmentation functions different FFs **- a** different results but wrong FFs **- and providing results** recently proposed as a "solution" to the "strange quark puzzle": Leader, Sidorov, Stamenov arXiv:1103.5979

#### find: only DSS FFs describe underlying unpol. cross sections in the relevant kinematics

of course, this does not guarantee that we extracted the right Δs: more data are needed



# $\Delta g$  : where are we now - what to expect

inclusive pions & jets remain to be the bread & butter probes

jet/hadron correlations essential to cover smaller x

straightforward to analyze in global fits



#### **"soon" we expect to have:**

- DSSV 2.0 global analysis based on new world data
- reduced uncertainties on Δg in current x range
- possibility of a node further scrutinized "evidence" may become statistically significant or not
- extend x-range towards somewhat lower x 500 GeV running & particle correlations

full 1st moment (proton spin sum) will have smaller but still significant uncertainties from unmeasured small x region

# $\Delta g$  - latest results from RHIC



we continuously make progress on Δg: interesting trends in preliminary run-9 data



# $\Delta g$  - possible impact of STAR run 9 data



 $\Delta g$  - PHENIX run 9 data



still zero  $A_{LL}$  but compatible with STAR (PHENIX probes somewhat lower values of x)

# comparison: DSSV vs. LSS'10 gluon

Leader, Sidorov, Stamenov

- LSS fit based on latest DIS/SIDIS data only
- resulting quark PDFs largely a carbon-copy of DSSV
- **striking**: also gluon very similar (node!) but w/o using any RHIC pp data



# △g and the relevance of RHIC data



- RHIC pp data clearly needed (current DIS+SIDIS data alone do not really constrain Δg)
- new (SI)DIS data do not change much for Δg
- trend for positive  $\Delta q$  at large  $\times$  (as before)

# Ag from fixed target experiments





# **HELICITY PDFS AND OAM**

## helicity sum rule revisited

the decomposition of the nucleon spin also depends on the resolution:

$$
S_z^p = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma(\mu^2) + \Delta g(\mu^2) + L_q(\mu^2) + L_g(\mu^2)
$$

where the flavor singlet  $\Delta \Sigma$  sums up all quark spin contributions

$$
\Delta \Sigma(\mu^2) \equiv \int_0^1 [\Delta u + \Delta \bar{u} + \Delta d + \Delta \bar{d} + \Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}](x, \mu^2)
$$

scale evolution of  $1^{st}$  moments  $\Delta \Sigma$  and  $\Delta g$  predicted by DGLAP:

$$
\text{at } \text{LO} \ \frac{d}{d \ln(\mu^2)} \left(\frac{\Delta \Sigma}{\Delta g}\right) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{3}{2}C_F & \frac{1}{2}\beta_0 \end{array}\right) \left(\frac{\Delta \Sigma}{\Delta g}\right)
$$

• the quark spin contribution is scale independent at lowest order

• the gluon evolves logarithmically; find:  $\alpha_s(\mu^2)\Delta g(\mu^2)\rightarrow {\rm const} \, {\rm as} \, \mu^2\rightarrow \infty$ 

# helicity sum rule revisited

why  $\Delta\Sigma(\mu^2)$  = const at LO ?



Kodaira, …

# scale evolution of angular momentum

what about the scale dependence of orbital angular momentum?

total angular momentum conservation in parton-parton splittings necessarily implies presence of orbital angular momentum (OAM):



 $2N<sub>c</sub>$ 

• used to derive evolution equations for OAM at LO

#### Ji, Tang, Hoodbhoy

• LO asymptotic behavior of  $J_{q,q}$ 

fir

$$
J_q = L_q + \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma \xrightarrow{\mu \to \infty} \frac{1}{2} \frac{3N_f}{16 + 3N_f}
$$
  
Find  

$$
J_g = L_g + \Delta g \xrightarrow{\mu \to \infty} \frac{1}{2} \frac{16}{16 + 3N_f}
$$

share of nucleon spin between quarks and gluons same as for nucleon momentum



DSSV **best fit** has the property that proton spin is almost entirely OAM for all Q2

$$
\text{recall (at LO)} \quad \frac{d}{d \ln(\mu^2)} \left(\frac{\Delta \Sigma}{\Delta g}\right) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0\\ \frac{3}{2}C_F & \frac{1}{2}\beta_0 \end{array}\right) \left(\frac{\Delta \Sigma}{\Delta g}\right)
$$

in general, Δg evolves logarithmically but there is a "static solution" (in LO)





# **FUTURE AVENUES** RHIC & OPPORTUNITIES AT AN EIC

# $\Delta g$  - further improvements from RHIC?



important to measure  $A_{\text{LL}}$  precisely also at large  $p_T$  (where gg scattering is small)

- gg scattering -> sign of  $\Delta$ g at large x
- expect rise a large  $p<sub>T</sub>$  due to large  $\Delta q/q$ at large x (as extracted from DIS)





current determinations of Δg from pions and jets is based on the **same** partonic hard scattering processes

• with sufficient luminosity we can probe  $\Delta q$  in other, *independent* channels



**rare probes** 

- $\checkmark$  much smaller number of subprocesses
- $\checkmark$  photons sensitive to sign of  $\Delta g$
- $\checkmark$  different hard scattering dynamics



**crucial in understanding spin-dep. QCD hard scattering test idea of factorization and universality** 

# $\Delta g$  from prompt photons ?



- only probe in pp which provides sensitivity to sign of  $\Delta g$  at small  $p_T$  (i.e. small x!)
- requires a significant integrated luminosity **(0.5 ÷ 1 fb-1)** to make an impact
- straightforward to include in global QCD analysis; NLO corrections known
- γ-jet correlations would allow for detailed mapping of x dependence

# Ag from heavy flavors?



# u, d quarks from W boson production

### **key measurement at RHIC**

based on parity violation: W's couple only to one parton helicity



**500 GeV program started in 2009 - 1st W bosons seen at RHIC!** 



**PHENIX** arXiv:1009.0505 **STAR** arXiv:1009.0326

• no impact on fits yet "proof of principle"

# $\Delta q$ 's - what do we expect to learn?



strong sensitivity to ∆*u*¯ <sup>∆</sup> ¯ limited sensitivity to *<sup>d</sup>* can we flip u <-> d around?

running with polarized 3He (= neutron target) would be an option **53\$**

# $\Delta s$  from spin transfer to  $\Lambda$  baryons

**idea: •** study helicity transfer to Λ in  $\vec{p}p \rightarrow \vec{\Lambda}X$  (preferably at forward η where  $x_1$  is large)

- use self-analyzing decay of Λ to determine its polarization
- quark model: Λ spin predominantly carried by s --> **sensitivity to Δs**

s-dominance perhaps as naïve as proton spin in quark model

**theory prerequisites: •** reliable NLO sets of D<sub>i</sub>^ and ΔD<sub>i</sub>^ FFs

**AKK**: Albino et al.

**DSV**: de Florian, MS, Vogelsang

**updates needed**  don't describe STAR data



**DSV**: de Florian, MS, Vogelsang sparse data; updates desirable **3 models for ΔDi considered** 

• feed-down from hyperon weak decays; effect on polarization?

• compute helicity-transfer subprocesses at NLO difficult – many more processes than pion production; work in progress

the good news: "proof of principle" by STAR

best shot at Δs at RHIC needs also some theoretical work though

# opportunities for spin physics studies at an EIC

so far, our knowledge on polarized (SI)DIS is based on fixed target experiments many "weak spots" & room for new "spin surprises":

small x region: crucial for all sum rules ("proton spin", "Bjorken", …) **unknown** 

**Filavor separation: SU(2), SU(3) breaking, strangeness largely unknown** 

- electroweak effects/structure fcts. **never measured**
- **full understanding of transverse spin phenomena still in early stages**
- issues with factorization for Sivers fct. **intriguing**
- role of orbital angular momentum **largely unknown**
- plus: spin phenomena in diffraction, photoproduction, hadronization, …

 **repeat full HERA program in polarized high energy ep scattering with good particle ID & ability to measure exclusive processes** 

### detailed 500+ pages write-up on EIC Science available **arXiv:1108.1713**



# $\Delta g$  at small x from QCD scaling violations



## kinematic reach of an EIC



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# what can be achieved for  $\Delta g$  ?

how effective are scaling violations ? quantitative studies based on simulated data for eRHIC stage-1: 5 x (50, **100, 250**, 325) GeV Sassot, MS



expect to determine  $\int^1\!dx\,\Delta g(x,Q^2)$  at about 10% level (more detailed studies under way)  $dx \Delta g(x, Q^2)$ 0 kinematic reach down to  $x = 10^{-4}$  essential to determine integral reliably

# similar improvements expected for u.d.s sea quarks

**key:** precision SIDIS data



1st quantitative study with realistic exp. cuts



- very encouraging
- similar results for d and s quarks
- need to study also 0.0001-1 range
- need to translate profiles into errors on x-shape





# electroweak effects - cont'd



also related by **isospin rotation**  (no positron beam required) most promising at an EIC: charged current str. fcts. details: INT EIC report **CC:**   $g_1^{W^+} = \left(\Delta u + \Delta \bar{d} + \Delta \bar{s} + \Delta c \right)$  $g_1^{W^+} = \left(\Delta\bar{u} + \Delta d + \Delta s + \Delta\bar{c}\right)$  $g_5^{W^+} = (\Delta \bar{u} - \Delta d - \Delta s + \Delta \bar{c})$  $g_5^{W^-} = (-\Delta u + \Delta \bar{d} + \Delta \bar{s} - \Delta c)$ require a positron beam not necessarily polarized

• NLO QCD corrections all available

de Florian, Sassot; MS, Vogelsang, Weber; van Neerven, Zijlstra; Moch, Vermaseren, Vogt

- can be easily put into global QCD analysis
- enough combinations for a flavor separation at  $Q \approx M_W$  (no fragmentation) but kinematically limited to medium-to-large x region

**novel Bj – type sum rules:** MS, Vogelsang, Weber

details: PRD53 (1996) 138

**e.g.** 
$$
g_5^{W^-,p} - g_5^{W^+,n} = \left(1 - \frac{2\alpha_s}{3\pi}\right)g_A
$$

- probes again  $\Delta q_3$
- reach to small x limited extrapolation uncertainties?



# charm contribution to pol. DIS:  $g_1^c$

- so far safely ignored:  $\ll$  1% to existing  $g_1$  fixed-target data
- numerical relevance at an EIC depends strongly on size of Δg
- need massive Wilson coefficients (charm not massless for most of EIC kinematics) so far only known to LO (NLO is work in progress Kang, MS)

**some expectations:** (need to be studied in more detail)

**aside:**  CC charm production probes strangeness PDF





# summary & outlook

### DSSV analysis of 2008 still in good shape

no official update imminent need to update DSS fragmentation functions first COMPASS SIDIS data nicely described new RHIC run9 data may prefer somewhat larger Δg



ready to include di-jet, W boson data, … at NLO as they become available



for the time being, flavor separation depends largely on SIDIS data important to further improve fragmentation functions; DSS global analysis efforts ongoing



to address outstanding questions access to small x is required

**having an EIC in the future is essential** (the sooner the better)

its c.m.s energy must be sufficiently large to reach  $x \approx 10^{-4}$ we will need to control systematic uncertainties with unprecedented accuracy **65\$**