Spin content of the Nucleon

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The nucleon spin decomposition has been a long standing puzzle, ever since first results from the **Electron Muon Collaboration** (1987) revealed a surprisingly small contribution from the quark intrinsic spins

- The Ji spin-sum rule:

$$J_N = \sum_{q=u,d,s,c\cdots} \left(\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma_q + L_q\right) + J_g$$

- J_N : Nucleon spin

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- $\Delta \Sigma_q$: Contribution from quark intrinsic spin
- *L_q*: Contribution from quark orbital motion
- J_g : Contribution from gluons (no further decomposition)

Lattice QCD: *ab initio* calculation of quark-intrinsic, gluon, and total spin of nucleon via nucleon matrix elements of local quark and gluon operators

Thanks to two major breakthroughs:

- Reliable calculation of *disconnected diagrams*
- Simulations with quark mass set to its *physical value*





Parton spin and momentum contributions to nucleon spin



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Outline

- Methods
 - Lattice methods for nucleon structure
 - Challenges: physical point simulations, disconnected diagrams
- Nucleon spin from lattice QCD
 - Intrinsic quark spin contributions
 - Momentum fraction and total spin of nucleon
 - Gluon contribution
 - Quark orbital angular momentum contributions
- Concluding remarks





Two-point correlation functions

- Statistical error: $1/\sqrt{N}$, with MC samples
- Correlation functions: exponentially decay with time-separation

Systematic uncertainties

- Extrapolations: a, L, m_{π}
- Contamination from higher energy states



$$\sum_{ec{x_s}} \Gamma^{lphaeta} \langle ar{\chi}^eta_N(x_s) | \chi^lpha_N(0)
angle = c_0 e^{-E_0 t_s} + c_1 e^{-E_1 t_s} + ...$$

 $\bar{\chi}_N(\vec{x}_0, t_0)$



 $\chi_N(\vec{x}_s, t_s)$



Reproduction of light baryon masses

- Agreement between lattice discretisations
- Reproduction of experiment

Prediction of yet to be observed baryons

 Confidence through agreement between lattice schemes

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For more hadron spectrum see S. Bacchio, Wednesday 14:30 session





- Lattice: moments are readily accessible

Unpolarised

$$\mathcal{O}_{\underline{V}}^{\mu\mu_1\mu_2...\mu_n} = \bar{\psi}_{\underline{\gamma}}^{\{\mu} i D^{\mu_1} i D^{\mu_2} ... i D^{\mu_n\}} \psi \qquad ($$

$$\langle 1 \rangle_{u-d} = g_V, \ \langle x \rangle_{u-d}, \ \dots$$

Helicity

$$\mathcal{O}_{A}^{\mu\mu_{1}\mu_{2}...\mu_{n}} = \bar{\psi}\gamma_{5}\gamma^{\{\mu}iD^{\mu_{1}}iD^{\mu_{2}}...iD^{\mu_{n}\}}\psi$$
 $(\bullet - \bullet - \bullet + \langle 1 \rangle_{\Delta u - \Delta d} = g_{A}, \langle x \rangle_{\Delta u - \Delta d}, ...$

Transverse
$$\mathcal{O}_{T}^{\nu\mu\mu_{1}\mu_{2}...\mu_{n}} = \bar{\psi}\sigma^{\nu\{\mu}iD^{\mu_{1}}iD^{\mu_{2}}...iD^{\mu_{n}\}}\psi \quad \stackrel{\bullet}{\frown} \quad - \quad \stackrel{\bullet}{\frown}$$

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For details on charges see J. Finkenrath, next talk





Lattice evaluation of matrix elements Three-point function:



Analyses for identifying excited state contributions

– "Plateau":

$$R(t_s, t_{\text{ins}}, t_0) \xrightarrow[t_s - t_{\text{ins}} \to \infty]{} \mathcal{M}[1 + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\Delta(t_{\text{ins}} - t_0)}, e^{-\Delta'(t_s - t_{\text{ins}})})]$$

fit to constant w.r.t t_{ins} for multiple values of t_s

- Sum over t_{ins} "Summation" $\sum_{t_{ins}} R(t_s, t_{ins}, t_0) \xrightarrow{t_s - t_0 \to \infty} \text{Const.} + \mathcal{M}(t_s - t_0) + \mathcal{O}(t_s e^{-\Delta t_s})$ State lines formula to be a line of the solution of

fit to linear form, matrix element is the slope

- Fit, including first excited states ("Two-state fit")

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Select lattice simulation points used for hadron structure

 Multiple collaborations simulating at physical pion

mass

NME, N_f=2+1

QCDSF, N_f=2

QCDSF/UKQCD, Nf=2+1

RBC/UKQCD, N_f=2+1





Axial matrix element of nucleon: $\langle N(\vec{p})|A^{\alpha}_{\mu}|N(\vec{p})\rangle$, $A^{\alpha}_{\mu} = \bar{\psi}\frac{\tau^{\alpha}}{2}\gamma_5\gamma_{\mu}\psi$



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- Connected contributions
- Increasing statistics with increasing sink-source separation
- 62,000 statistics at largest (~1.7 fm)





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- Disconnected contributions
- 120,000 statistics
- Exact low-mode construction of
 - loops with 500 eigenvectors
- 1,000 stochastic vectors for
- remaining





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Similarly for gluon contribution need disconnected diagram

C. Alexandrou et al., PRD, arXiv:1611.06901

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Parton spin and momentum contributions to nucleon spin



$$J_{u+d+s+g}^N = 0.541(62)(49)$$

- Includes u, d, s, and gluons simulated at physical pion mass
- Spin and momentum sums satisfied within errors
- Significant disconnected contributions (solid)
 compared to connected (hatched)
- About 10% uncertainties in component contributions



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$$\langle x \rangle_{u+d+s+g} = 1.07(12)(10)$$

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$$J^q = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma_q + L_q$$

- Angular momentum contribution deduced from difference of total and intrinsic quark spin
- Angular momentum: hatches
- Intrinsic spin: solid

	$\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma$	J	L
u	0.415(13)(2)	0.308(30)(24)	-0.107(32)(24)
d	-0.193(8)(3)	0.054(29)(24)	0.247(30)(24)
S	-0.021(5)(1)	0.046(21)(0)	0.067(21)(1)
g	-	0.133(11)(14)	-
tot.	0.201(17)(5)	0.541(62)(49)	0.207(64)(45)



Summary

★Lattice QCD approaching precision era for matrix elements

- Physical pion mass simulations from a number of collaborations
- Other systematic uncertainties coming under control
- ★Nucleon spin decomposition from lattice QCD
 - First results which include quark and gluon contributions at physical point promising
 - More results coming out at physical point using other lattice actions (see e.g. arXiv:1710.09011 by the Kentucky group)
 - Corroborates small contribution from quark intrinsic spins





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Backup





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Total spin decomposition





Multi-petascale to exa-scale requirements



Indicative computer time requirements for nucleon structure

Increased time separations required for suppression of excited states at physical point





Gluon moment

Ji's spin sum:

$$\frac{1}{2} = \sum_{q} (\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma^{q} + L^{q}) + J^{G}$$

$$J^{G} = \frac{1}{2} [A_{20}^{G}(0) + B_{20}^{G}(0)]$$
$$\mathcal{O} = \frac{2}{9} \frac{\beta}{a^{4}} [\sum_{i} \Re(P_{i4}) - \sum_{i < j} \Re(P_{ij})]$$

Renormalisation

• Mixing with quark operator

$$\left(egin{array}{c} J_q \ J_G \end{array}
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