

Valence quark helicity distribution from COMPASS

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Physics motivation

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L_Z^q + L_Z^G$$

naive QPM	$\Delta\Sigma = 1$
weak barion decays	$\Delta \Sigma = 0.58 \pm 0.03$
$(J^P = \frac{1}{2}^+)$	$\Delta s \equiv 0$
DIS (EMC, 1988)	$\Delta\Sigma = 0.12 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.04$ $\Delta s = -0.19 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.04$
	$\Delta s = -0.19 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.04$
DIS (QCD analysis	$\Delta\Sigma = 0.30 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.02$
of the world data)	$\Delta s = -0.08 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.02$

COMPASS Spectrometer

μ^+ - beam:

• Energy: **160** GeV

• Intensity: $2 \cdot 10^8 \ \mu/\text{spill}$

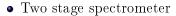
• Polarization: 80%

Target: 2 cells with opposite pol.

• Material: ⁶LiD

• Polarization: 50%

• Dilution: 50%



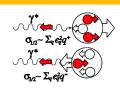
- ECAL and HCAL
- PID: RICH and muon filter



Hadron asymmetries

$$q(x) = q^{+}(x) + q^{-}(x)$$

 $\Delta q(x) = q^{+}(x) - q^{-}(x)$



SIDIS asymmetries

$$A^{+} = \frac{\sigma_{1\downarrow}^{h^{+}} - \sigma_{1\uparrow}^{h^{+}}}{\sigma_{1\downarrow}^{h^{+}} + \sigma_{1\uparrow}^{h^{+}}}, \quad A^{-} = \frac{\sigma_{1\downarrow}^{h^{-}} - \sigma_{1\uparrow}^{h^{-}}}{\sigma_{1\downarrow}^{h^{-}} + \sigma_{1\uparrow}^{h^{-}}}$$
$$A^{h}_{1}(x) = \frac{\sum_{q} e_{q}^{2}(\Delta q(x)D_{q}^{h} + \Delta \bar{q}(x)D_{q}^{h})}{\sum_{q} e_{q}^{2}(q(x)D_{q}^{h} + \bar{q}(x)D_{q}^{h})}$$

Difference asymmetry

$$A^{+} = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^{+}} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^{+}}}{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^{+}} + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^{+}}}, \quad A^{-} = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^{-}} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^{-}}}{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^{-}} + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^{-}}} \qquad A^{+-} = \frac{(\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^{+}} - \sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^{-}}) - (\sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^{+}} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^{-}})}{(\sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^{+}} - \sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^{-}}) + (\sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^{+}} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^{-}})}$$

$$A_{1}^{h}(x) = \frac{\sum_{q} e_{q}^{q}(\Delta q(x) D_{q}^{h} + \Delta \bar{q}(x) D_{q}^{h})}{\sum_{q} e_{q}^{p}(q(x) D_{q}^{h} + \bar{q}(x) D_{q}^{h})} \qquad A_{N}^{\pi^{+} - \pi^{-}}(x) = A_{N}^{\mu^{+} - \kappa^{-}}(x) = \frac{\Delta u_{\nu}(x) + \Delta d_{\nu}(x)}{u_{\nu}(x) + d_{\nu}(x)}$$

- Fragmentation functions $D_a^h = \int D_a^h(z) dz$ are poorly known
- Difference asymmetry originally was proposed in:

L.Frankfurt et al. Phys.Lett. B230 (1989) 141

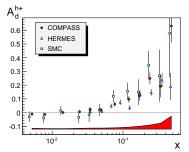
• At the first time it was used in SMC: B.Adeva et al. Phys.Lett. B369 (1996) 93

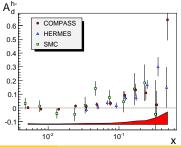
Single hadron asymmetries A^+ and A^-

- Deuteron data 2002-2004 are used
- Kinematic cuts (DIS region): $Q^2 > 1(\text{GeV/c})^2$, 0.1 < y < 0.9
- no hadron identification
- current fragmentation region: z > 0.2
- To avoid ambiguity between secondary μ , and to suppress contribution from diffractive events:

• Final statistics:

$$\begin{array}{l} \textit{N}^{+} = 30 \cdot 10^{6}, \ \textit{N}^{-} = 25 \cdot 10^{6}, \\ \textit{corr}(\textit{N}^{+}, \textit{N}^{-}) \approx 20\% \end{array}$$





Difference asymmetry

$$A^{h^{+}-h^{-}} = \frac{1}{1-r}(A^{h^{+}} - A^{h^{-}}), \quad r = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h_{-}} + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h_{-}}}{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h_{+}} + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h_{+}}} = \frac{\sigma^{h^{-}}}{\sigma^{h^{+}}} = \frac{N^{h^{-}}/a^{h^{-}}}{N^{h_{+}}/a^{h_{+}}}$$

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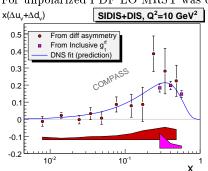
- The measured x range is 0.006 < x < 0.7, as the precision at smaller x is too low. (The statistical error is inversely proportional to $N^{h+} N^{h-}$)
- For the acceptance studies full chain of MC simulation (spectrometer + the same cuts as for data) with default LEPTO settings was performed

Valence quark polarisations

$$\Delta u_{\scriptscriptstyle V} + \Delta d_{\scriptscriptstyle V} = rac{u_{\scriptscriptstyle V} + d_{\scriptscriptstyle V}}{(1+R)(1-1.5\omega_{\scriptscriptstyle D})} A_d^{+-}$$

$$\omega_D = 0.05 \pm 0.01$$
 $R = \sigma^L/\sigma^T$

For unpolarized PDF LO MRST was chosen



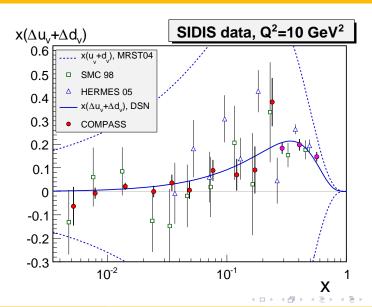
- Unpol. sea contribution to F_2 vanishes for x > 0.3
- $\bullet \ |\Delta \bar{u_v} + \Delta \bar{d_v}| < \bar{u_v} + \bar{d_v}$
- Constraint as in SMC & HERMES analyses:

$$\Delta \bar{u} = \Delta \bar{d} = \Delta s = 0 \text{ at } x > 0.3$$

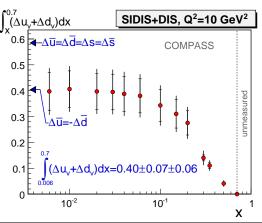
$$\Delta u_{v} + \Delta d_{v} \simeq rac{36}{5} rac{g_{1}^{d}(x,Q^{2})}{1-1.5\omega_{D}}$$

• The used parametrisation for evolution towards $Q^2 = 10 \text{GeV}^2$: (DNS) D. de Florian, G.A.Navarro and R.Sassot, Phys. Rev. D71 (2005) 094018. (based on KKP param. of FF)

Comparison with other experiments



Estimate for the first moments (LO)



$$\Gamma_{V} = \int_{0}^{1} (\Delta u_{V}(x) + \Delta d_{V}(x)) dx$$

 Contribution from unmeasured high x region (DNS fit):

$$\int_{0.7}^1 (\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v) dx = 0.004$$

		X-range	Q ²	$\Delta u_V + \Delta d_V$		$\Delta ar{u} + \Delta ar{d}$	
			GeV^2	meas.	DNS	meas.	DNS
	SMC 98	0.003 - 0.7	10	$0.26 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.11$	0.386	$0.02 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.06$	-0.009
Н	ERMES 05	0.023 - 0.6	2.5	$0.43 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.06$	0.363	$-0.06 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.03$	-0.005
	COMPASS	0.006 - 0.7	10	$0.40 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.05$	0.385	$0.00 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.03$	-0.007

Conclusion

Summary

- \bullet The deuteron data collected in years 2002 2004 have been used
- $\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v$ have been extracted from difference asymmetry at x < 0.3 and from g_1^d at x > 0.3: $\int_{0.006}^{0.7} (\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v) dx = 0.40 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.06 \; , \quad \Delta \bar{u} = -\Delta \bar{d}$
- Published in: M.Alekseev et al., PLB 660 (2008) 458-465.
- \bullet Increase of the precision at small x by a factor of ~ 6 as compared to SMC

Outlook

- Deuteron data 2006 have been processed. Update is coming soon
- Production of 2007 proton data and particle identification are ongoing.