

Latest results on nucleon spin and QCD fits from COMPASS

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What is the nucleon spin made up of?

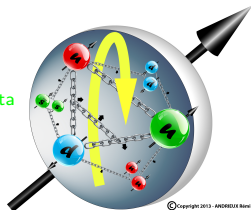
$$\text{Nucleon spin } \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\Delta\Sigma}_{\text{quarks}} + \underbrace{\Delta G}_{\text{gluon}} + \underbrace{L_g + L_q}_{\text{orbital momenta}}$$

Where:

$$\Delta\Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s$$

$$\Delta q = \vec{q} - \overleftarrow{q}$$

Parton spin parallel and anti-parallel to the nucleon spin



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Historically: From relativistic quarks in QM: $\Delta\Sigma \sim 0.6$

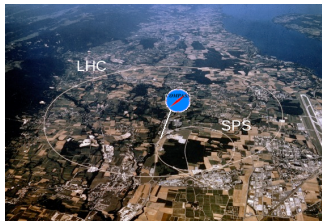
In 1988, EMC measured $\Delta\Sigma = 0.12 \pm 0.17 \rightarrow$ "Spin crisis"

- $\Delta\Sigma$ unexpectedly small $\rightarrow \Delta G$ surprisingly large
 - $\Delta\Sigma \approx 0.58 + 3\Delta s \rightarrow \Delta s$ is negative and large
- } New era of spin physics

Covered in this talk:

- \rightarrow Extraction of $\Delta\Sigma$ and ΔG via QCD fits of the spin structure functions
- \rightarrow Dedicated measurements for ΔG via gluon sensitive processes
- \rightarrow Extractions of inputs to improve Δs measurement

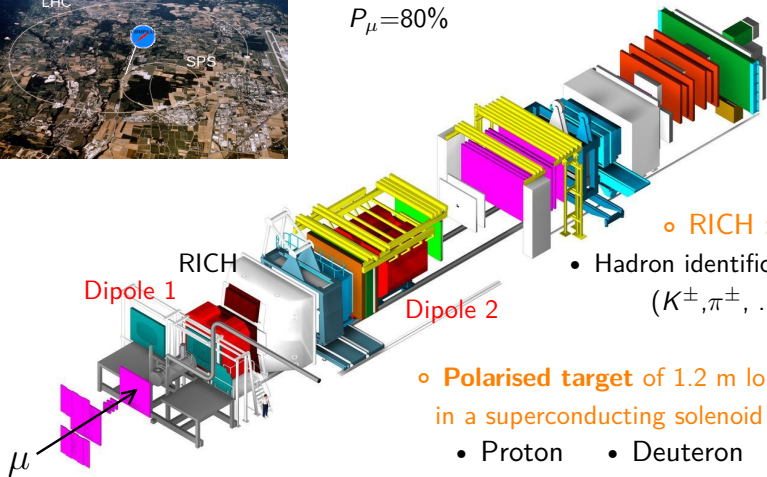
COMPASS Spectrometer



- **Polarised μ^+ beam** from CERN SPS

200 GeV/160 GeV

$P_\mu = 80\%$



- **RICH :**

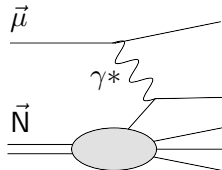
- Hadron identification (K^\pm, π^\pm, \dots)

- **Polarised target** of 1.2 m long in a superconducting solenoid

- Proton • Deuteron

Polarised DIS and spin structure functions

$$\mu N \rightarrow \mu X$$



Q^2 : photon virtuality (hard scale)

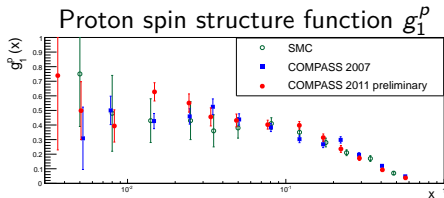
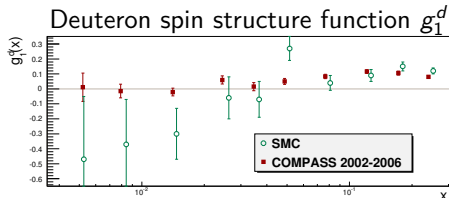
x : Bjorken scaling variable

fraction of nucleon momentum carried by the struck quark

$\sigma_{DIS}^{inc} \propto g_1$: spin structure function

$$g_1^P(x, Q^2) \stackrel{LO}{=} \frac{1}{2} \sum_q e_q^2 (\Delta q(x) + \Delta \bar{q}(x))$$

COMPASS legacy including latest 200 GeV data

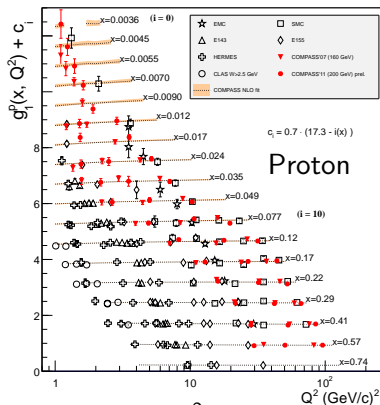
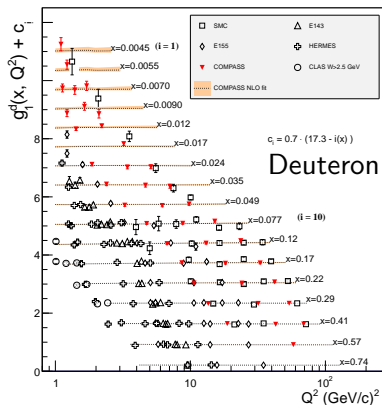


Improved statistical precision compared to previous experiment SMC:

The only two experiments in this kinematic domain

World data on spin structure functions g_1

COMPASS data extends high Q^2 and low x domain



Input for NLO QCD fit of polarised world data: $\frac{dg_1(x, Q^2)}{d \log(Q^2)} \propto \Delta g(x, Q^2)$

NLO QCD fit of g_1^p , g_1^n and g_1^d world data

$$g_1 \stackrel{NLO}{=} \frac{1}{2} \langle e^2 \rangle \left(\underbrace{C_S \otimes \Delta q_S}_{\substack{\text{singlet} \\ \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s}} + \underbrace{C_{NS} \otimes \Delta q_{NS}}_{\substack{\text{2 non-singlets} \\ \Delta u - \Delta d \text{ \& } \Delta u + \Delta d - 2\Delta s}} + \underbrace{C_g \otimes \Delta g}_{\text{gluon}} \right)$$

$$\Delta q \equiv \Delta(q + \bar{q})$$

Assumptions:

- Functional forms at a Q^2 reference scale for: $\Delta q_S(x)$, $\Delta g(x)$ and $\Delta q_{NS}(x)$
- $SU(3)_f$ to fix the non-singlet distribution first moments:

$$\int_0^1 \Delta u - \Delta d \, dx = F + D$$

$$\int_0^1 \Delta u + \Delta d - 2\Delta s \, dx = 3F - D$$

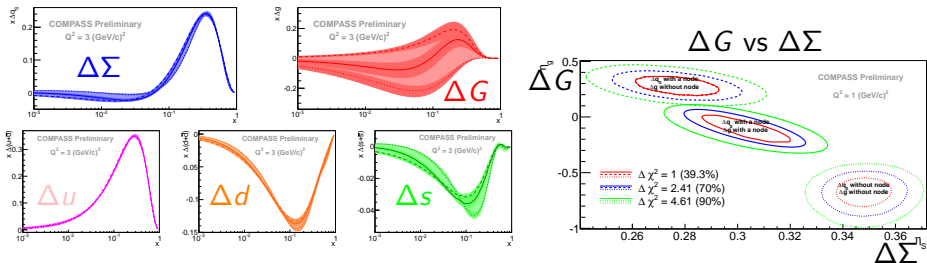
with F and D the parameters describing the weak axial-vector/vector coupling constants

DGLAP equations:

- Evolution of the polarised PDF to the Q^2 of the data points
- ⇒ Fit the spin structure functions to the data

Polarised parton distribution functions

Depending upon assumed functional forms, 3 categories of solutions:
 $\Delta G > 0$, $\Delta G \sim 0$ and $\Delta G < 0$



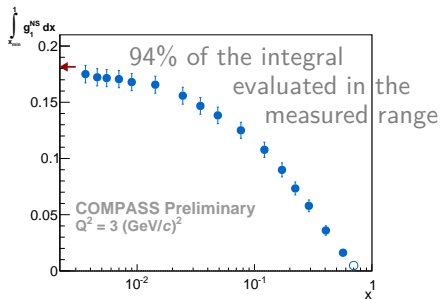
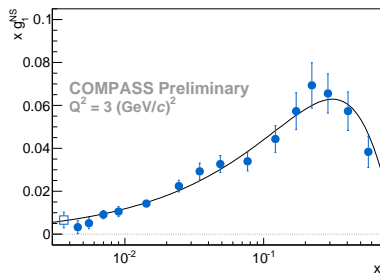
- $0.26 < \Delta \Sigma < 0.34$ at $Q^2 = 3 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$ ($\overline{\text{MS}}$)
 → Largest uncertainty coming from the choice of functional forms
- ΔG not much constrained by DIS data alone
 → Direct measurements needed (RHIC spin, COMPASS)

Bjorken sum rule

Fundamental QCD prediction relating p and n :

$$\int_0^1 g_1^p - g_1^n dx = \frac{1}{6} C^{NS}(\alpha_s) \frac{g_A}{g_V}$$

- Test of $SU(2)_{flavour}$
- Decorrelated from ΔG



From COMPASS data alone:

$$g_A/g_V|_{NLO} = 1.220 \pm 0.052 \pm 0.095 \text{ (prel.)} \quad g_A/g_V|_{NNLO} = 1.251$$

$$\text{PDG: } g_A/g_V|_{\beta} = 1.2701 \pm 0.0025$$

Better statistics and systematics compared to previous COMPASS determination

Dedicated measurements to constrain ΔG

Same data, semi-inclusive channels:

Extract $\langle \Delta g \rangle$ directly:

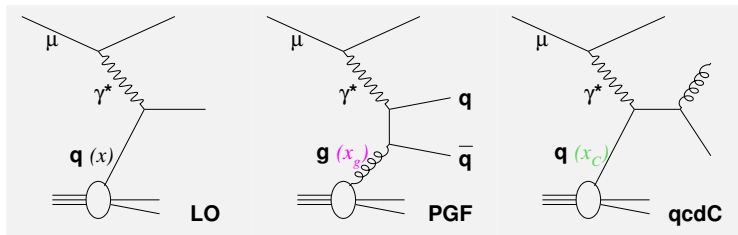
- Based on Monte-Carlo generator with Lund fragmentation
- Channels studied at COMPASS:
 - **Production of charged hadron at high p_T (LO)**
 - Open charmed mesons production (LO & NLO not shown)

Supply Δg sensitive measurements to global fits:

- pQCD calculation with collinear fragmentation
- Channel studied at COMPASS:
 - **Photo-production of charged hadrons at high p_T (NLO)**

Δg at LO from high- p_T hadron production in DIS

Double spin asymmetry of hadron production cross-section comprises 3 subprocesses:



$$A_{LL}^h(x_{Bj}) = R_{PGF} a_{LL}^{PGF} \Delta g/g(x_g) + \underbrace{R_{LP} DA_1^{LO}(x_{Bj}) + R_{QCDC} a_{LL}^{QCDC} A_1^{LO}(x_c)}_{background}$$

R_i Fraction of the process; a_{LL}^i partonic cross-section asymmetry

R_i and a_{LL}^i are extracted from MC and parametrised by Neural Network

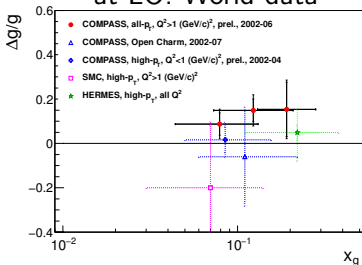
Signature for **Photon Gluon Fusion (PGF)** via **high p_T** hadrons ($R_{PGF} \sim 30\%$)

Δg at LO from high- p_T hadron production in DIS

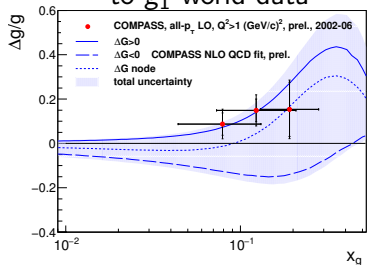
DIS 2014, M. Stolarsky

- COMPASS high- p_T hadron production compared to:

Direct extractions of $\Delta g/g$
at LO: World data



COMPASS NLO QCD fit
to g_1 world data



$\Delta G > 0$
 $\Delta G \sim 0$
 $\Delta G < 0$

$\langle \Delta g/g \rangle = 0.113 \pm 0.035 \pm 0.035$ (Prel.) for $x_g \in [0.04, 0.28]$

- The smallest stat.+syst. uncertainty among LO direct extractions
- In agreement with COMPASS NLO QCD fit and DSSV [arXiv:1404.4293](https://arxiv.org/abs/1404.4293)
- Favours $\Delta G > 0$ or ~ 0
- Δg is small in the measured range

Δg at NLO from high- p_T hadron photoproduction

Double spin asymmetry of hadron production cross-section:
NLO interpretation available for:

- Single hadron at high p_T
- Photoproduction regime ($Q^2 < 1(\text{GeV}/c)^2$)

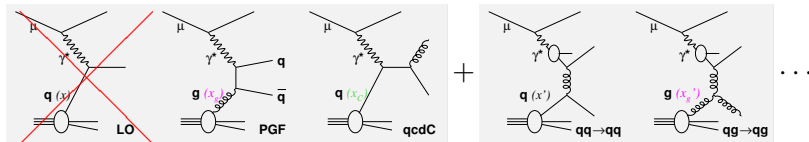
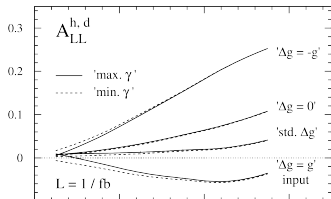
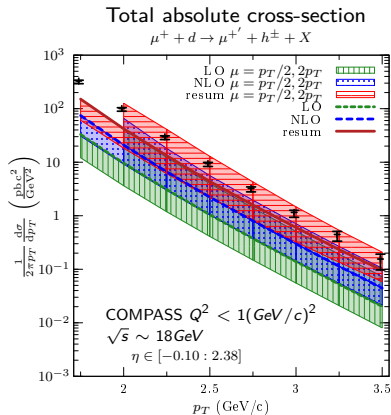


Illustration of the sensitivity to Δg for 4 pPDF scenarii (GRSV)



B. Jäger *et al.* EPJC 44 (2005) 533

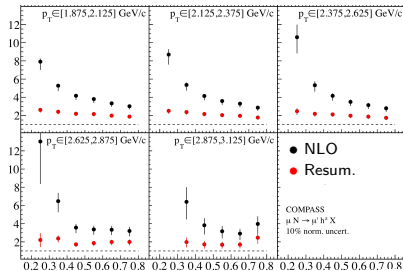
Hadron photoproduction cross-section



COMPASS, PRD 88 (2013) 091101

D. de Florian *et al.*, PRD 88 (2013) 014024

$$\frac{\sigma_{exp}}{dy dp_T} / \frac{\sigma_{th}}{dy dp_T}$$



$$y = \frac{E_\gamma^*}{E_\mu}$$

- Data/Theory in agreement over 4 orders of magnitude
- No dependence on y after gluon resummation

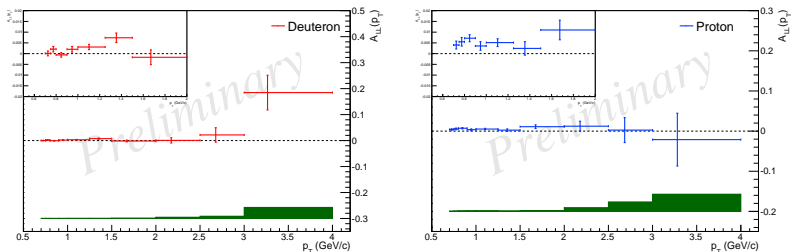
→ Validates the applicability of the theory framework for ΔG

Single hadron photoproduction asymmetry $A_{LL}(p_T)$

COMPASS polarised data $\sim 4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

DIS 2014, M. Levillain

Spin asymmetry $A_{LL}(p_T)$



- New inputs for QCD fits
- Waiting for gluon resummation before concluding on Δg

Work in progress

Strange quark polarisation: Δs puzzle

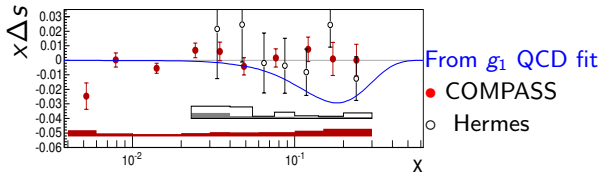
Inclusive DIS channel:

$$\int_0^1 g_1 dx \text{ with } SU(3)_f$$

$$\Delta s \simeq -0.8$$

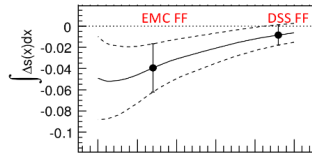
Semi-inclusive DIS channel:
Quark fragmentation functions
needed

$$\Delta s(x) \sim 0 \text{ for } 0.003 < x < 0.3$$



Possible explanations:

- Lack of knowledge on fragmentation functions: $D_S^K \rightarrow$
- No data at very low x
- $SU(3)_f$ breaking ?



$$R_{SF} = \frac{\int D_S^{K^+} dz}{\int D_u^{K^+} dz}$$

Quark fragmentation functions (FF)

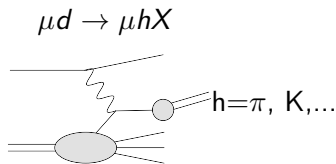
Universal quantities modelling the process of hadronisation

→ Accessible through several reactions

COMPASS: Hadron multiplicity measurements in SIDIS reaction

$$M^h(x, Q^2, z) = \frac{d\sigma^h/dz}{d\sigma^{DIS}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{LO}}{=} \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x, Q^2) D_q^h(z, Q^2)}{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x, Q^2)}$$



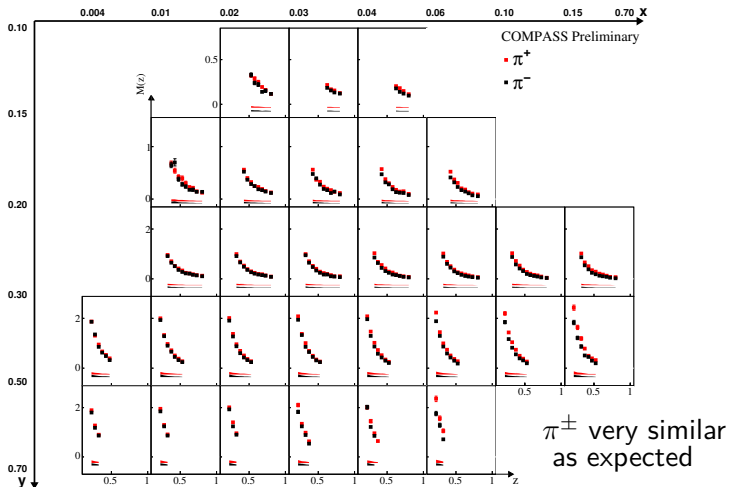
Hadrons tag the quark flavour
 $z = \frac{E_h}{E_{\gamma^*}}$: fractional hadron energy

M^π and M^K → Inputs to global QCD analyses to extract quark FF

Pion multiplicities $M_{\pi^{\pm}}$

~ 500 data points in a 3D wide kinematic domain

DIS 2013, N. Makke



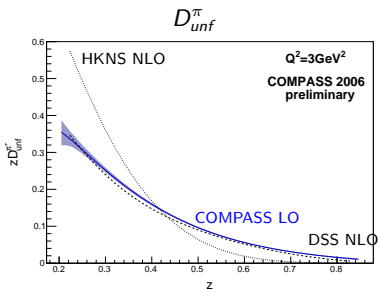
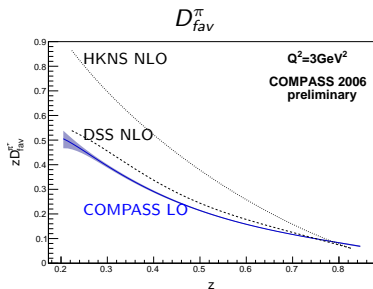
Extraction of quark FF into pions

DIS 2014, N. Dufresnes

$$\text{Fit of } M^h(x, Q^2, z) \stackrel{\text{LO}}{=} \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x, Q^2) D_q^h(z, Q^2)}{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x, Q^2)}$$

Assumptions:

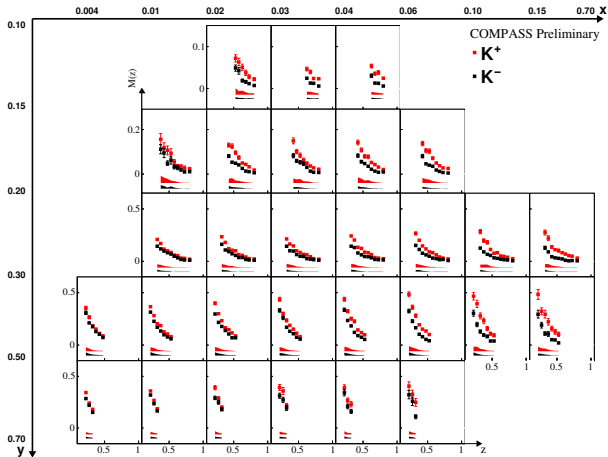
- $D_{fav}^{\pi} = D_u^{\pi^+} = D_d^{\pi^+} = D_b^{\pi^-} = D_{\bar{u}}^{\pi^-}$
- $D_{unf}^{\pi} = D_d^{\pi^+} = D_{\bar{u}}^{\pi^+} = D_{\bar{u}}^{\pi^-} = D_d^{\pi^-}$ and with $D_{unf}^{\pi} = D_s^{\pi^+} = D_s^{\pi^-}$
 \rightarrow 2 independent FF into π



Agreement as expected of FF from LO fit of COMPASS data alone and DSS NLO fit

Kaon multiplicities M^{K^\pm}

~ 500 data points in a 3D wide kinematic domain



To be included in a QCD fit to extract the coveted D_S^K

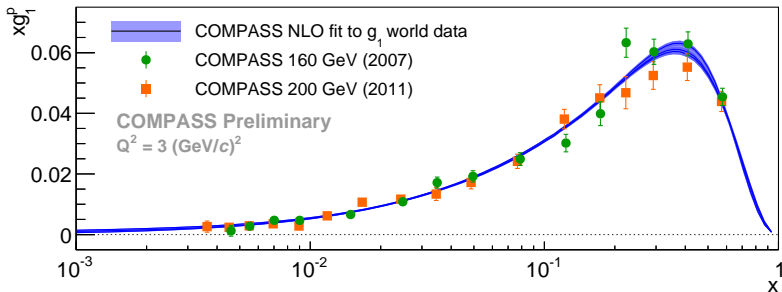
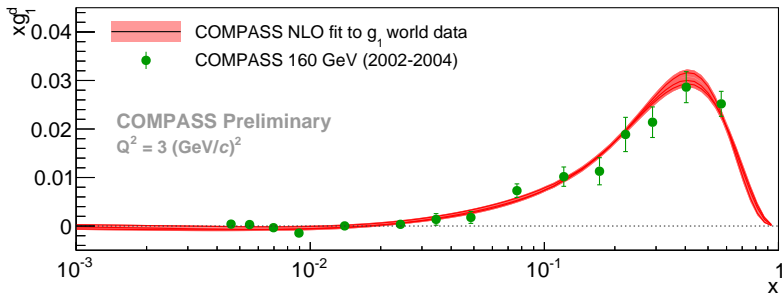
Conclusion and Outlook

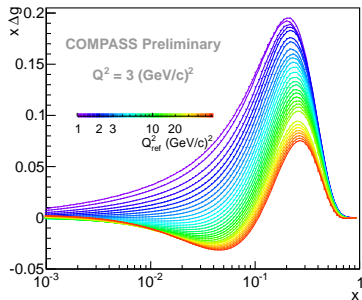
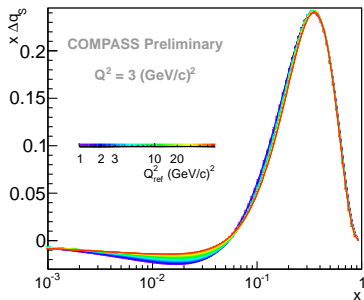
- Improved precision on g_1^p and g_1^d by at least a factor of ~ 3 compared to the previous experiment SMC
- Verification of the Bjorken sum rule at 4%
- $\langle \Delta g(x) \rangle|_{LO} > 0$ at $\sim 3\sigma_{stat}$ in hadron high- p_T measurement
- NLO Δg extraction via $A_{LL}(p_T)$ in photoproduction (in progress)
- Quark fragmentation function extractions from pion and kaon multiplicities

Future of COMPASS (2014-2017):

- ⇒ TMDs via polarised Drell-Yan reaction
- ⇒ GPDs via Deeply virtual Compton scattering

BACKUP





$\Delta\Sigma$ evolution with Q^2

$$\Delta\Sigma \in [0.264, 0.356] \text{ at } Q^2 = 1 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$$

$$\Delta\Sigma \in [0.256, 0.335] \text{ at } Q^2 = 3 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$$

$$\Delta\Sigma \in [0.258, 0.299] \text{ at } Q^2 = 10 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$$