

The Polarized Bjorken Sum Rule: Differential and Integral

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Introduction

- One goal in analyzing polarized deep-inelastic data is the measurement of the **valence quark distributions** and of the strong coupling $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$.
- $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$ can be accessed also using the **Bjorken sum rule**. This would be the 'integral' method.
- A more advantageous approach consists in the '**differential**' method, i.e. measuring the flavor **non-singlet contributions** to $g_1(x, Q^2)$ and extracting $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$ using non-singlet scale evolution.
- In the following we discuss the theoretical background for this possibility covering the different contributions.
- Recently the complete $O(\alpha_s^2)$ heavy flavor corrections have been calculated and the massless corrections are available effectively at N³LO.
- A comprehensive world data analysis reaching this level has not been performed yet and would be rather timely.
- We expect an experimental error for $\alpha_s(M_Z^2) \sim \pm 0.0050$ or better with a remaining very small theory error.



The Data and their Scaling Violations

- Non-singlet combinations can be formed experimentally.

$$\frac{g_1^d(x, Q^2)}{\frac{1}{2}(1 - \frac{3}{2}\omega_D)} = g_1^p(x, Q^2) + g_1^n(x, Q^2)$$

consider: $\Delta g_1(x, Q^2) = g_1^p(x, Q^2) - g_1^n(x, Q^2)$

- At LO:

$$\Delta g_1^{\text{NS,LO}}(x, Q^2) = \frac{1}{3} [\Delta u_v - \Delta d_v] + \frac{2}{3} [\Delta \bar{u} - \Delta \bar{d}]$$

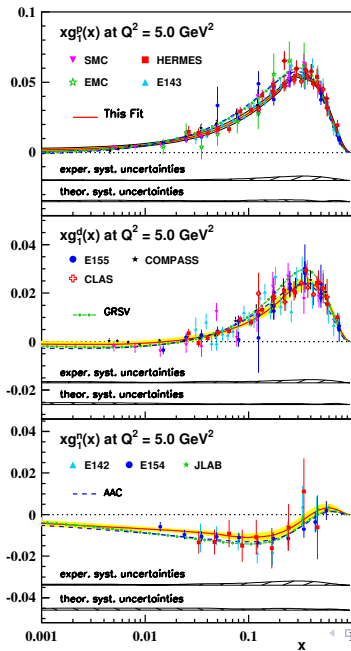
The difference of the sea-quark densities does not necessarily vanish.

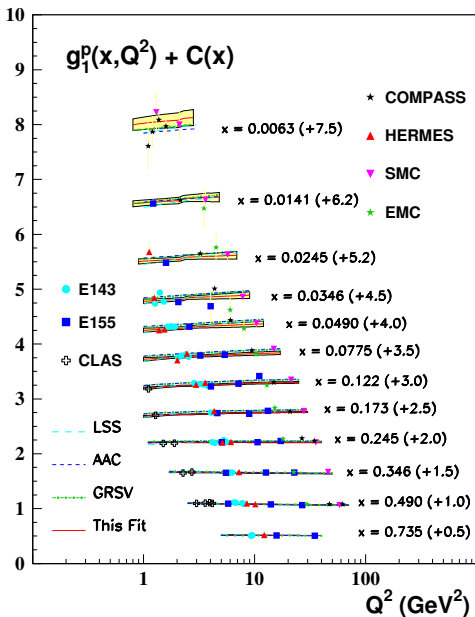
- At HO [in Mellin space]:

$$\Delta g_1^{\text{NS}}(N, Q^2) = \left[1 + \sum_{l=1}^3 a_s^l C_{g_1}^{\text{NS},(l)}(N) \right] E^{\text{NS}}(N, Q^2, Q_0^2) \Delta g_1^{\text{NS,LO}}(x, Q_0^2)$$

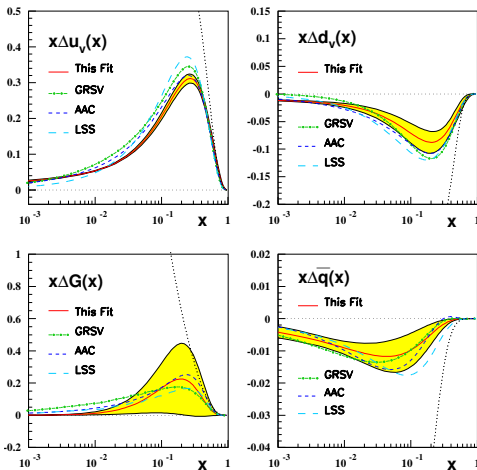
$a_s = \alpha_s/(4\pi)$, $C_{g_1}^{\text{NS},(l)}$ - Wilson coefficients







NLO pdfs



BB 2010: Nucl.Phys. B841 (2010) 205 at $Q_0^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$.



NS Parton Evolution

$$\begin{aligned}
 f^{\text{NS}}(N, Q^2) &= f^{\text{NS}}(N, Q_0^2) \left(\frac{a}{a_0} \right)^{-\hat{P}_0(N)/\beta_0} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{\beta_0} (a - a_0) \left[\hat{P}_1^-(N) - \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0} \hat{P}_0(N) \right] \right. \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2\beta_0} (a^2 - a_0^2) \left[\hat{P}_2^-(N) - \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0} \hat{P}_1^-(N) + \left(\frac{\beta_1^2}{\beta_0^2} - \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_0} \right) \hat{P}_0(N) \right] \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2\beta_0^2} (a - a_0)^2 \left(\hat{P}_1^-(N) - \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0} \hat{P}_0(N) \right)^2 \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{3\beta_0} (a^3 - a_0^3) \left[\hat{P}_3^-(N) - \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0} \hat{P}_2^-(N) + \left(\frac{\beta_1^2}{\beta_0^2} - \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_0} \right) \hat{P}_1^-(N) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \left(\frac{\beta_1^3}{\beta_0^3} - 2 \frac{\beta_1 \beta_2}{\beta_0^2} + \frac{\beta_3}{\beta_0} \right) \hat{P}_0(N) \right] + \frac{1}{2\beta_0^2} (a - a_0) (a_0^2 - a^2) \\
 &\quad \times \left(\hat{P}_1^-(N) - \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0} \hat{P}_0(N) \right) \left[\hat{P}_2^-(N) - \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0} \hat{P}_1^-(N) - \left(\frac{\beta_1^2}{\beta_0^2} - \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_0} \right) \hat{P}_0(N) \right] \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{6\beta_0^3} (a - a_0)^3 \left(\hat{P}_1^-(N) - \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0} \hat{P}_0(N) \right)^3 \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$f^{\text{NS}}(1, Q^2) = f^{\text{NS}}(1, Q_0^2), \hat{P}_k(1) = 0, \forall k, \quad \text{No evolution of the first moment!}$$



NS Parton Evolution

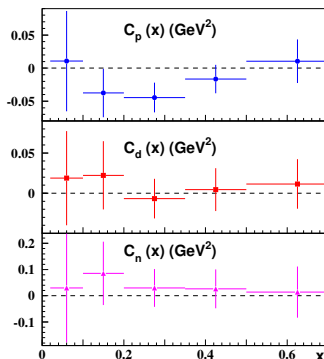
$$f^{\text{NS}}(N, Q^2) = E^{\text{NS}}(N, Q^2, Q_0^2) f^{\text{NS}}(N, Q_0^2)$$

- The NS evolution can be performed to 4-loop order.
- Although only a few moments are available for the splitting function, a Padé model works well, and one may associate a $\pm 100\%$ error to it. Its impact is far below possible foreseeable accuracies for $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$.
- The essential corrections come from the Wilson coefficients.
- Massless case: **3 Loop Order** Vermaseren et al. 2005
- Massive case: **2 Loop Order** Blümlein et al. 2015



Higher Twist

Important to determine within a correlated fit.



$$g_1(x, Q^2) = g_1^{\text{LT}}(x, Q^2) + \frac{C_i(x, \langle Q^2 \rangle)}{Q^2}$$

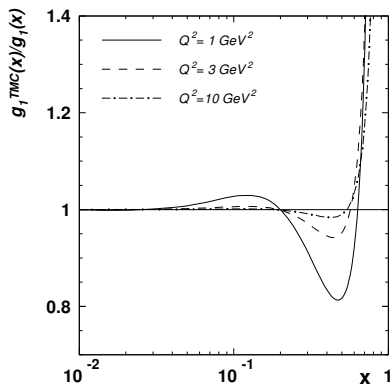
No possibility to remove these effects by cuts, given the present World data.



The Target Mass Corrections

- **Mandatory corrections to be carried out.** A. Piccione and G. Ridolfi, Nucl.Phys. B513 (1998) 301;

J. Blümlein and A. Tkabladze, Nucl. Phys. B443 (1999) 427.



Available in x and N space.



The Advantage of the Differential Method

- Data points have not to be moved, but are fitted in situ.
- No real extrapolation assumptions, in particular not at small x .
- The analysis can be carried out to N³LO for the massless corrections.
- In case of the massive corrections the exact $O(\alpha_s^2)$ corrections are available.



The Bjorken Sum Rule: the Integral Method

J.D. Bjorken, Phys. Rev. D **1** (1970) 1376

$$\int_0^1 dx \left[g_1^{ep}(x, Q^2) - g_1^{en}(x, Q^2) \right] = \frac{1}{6} \left| \frac{g_A}{g_V} \right| C_{\text{pBJ}}(\hat{a}_s),$$

with $g_{A,V}$ the neutron decay constants, $g_A/g_V \approx -1.2767 \pm 0.0016$ and $\hat{a}_s = \alpha_s/\pi$.

Massless case:

$$C_{\text{pBJ}}(\hat{a}_s) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^4 \hat{a}_s^k C_k(N_F).$$

1-loop J. Kodaira, S. Matsuda, T. Muta, K. Sasaki and T. Uematsu, Phys. Rev. D **20** (1979) 627

2-loop S.G. Gorishnii and S.A. Larin, Phys. Lett. B **172** (1986) 109

3-loop S.A. Larin and J.A.M. Vermaseren, Phys. Lett. B **259** (1991) 345

4-loop NS P.A. Baikov, K.G. Chetyrkin and J.H. Kühn, Phys. Rev. Lett. **104** (2010) 132004

4-loop SI P.A. Baikov, K.G. Chetyrkin and J.H. Kühn, Nucl. Part. Phys. Proc. **261-262** (2015) 3; S.A. Larin, Phys. Lett. B **723** (2013) 348



The Bjorken Sum Rule

$SU(3)$ non-singlet contributions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{\text{pBJ}}^{\text{NS}} &= 1 - \hat{a}_s + \hat{a}_s^2 \left[-\frac{55}{12} + \frac{N_F}{3} \right] \\
 &+ \hat{a}_s^3 \left[\frac{55\zeta_5}{2} - \frac{44\zeta_3}{9} - \frac{13841}{216} + N_F \left(\frac{61\zeta(3)}{54} - \frac{5\zeta_5}{3} + \frac{10339}{1296} \right) \right. \\
 &\left. - N_F^2 \frac{115}{648} \right] + \hat{a}_s^4 \left[-\frac{2695\zeta_7}{16} + \frac{343175\zeta_5}{864} - \frac{363\zeta_3^2}{8} + \frac{8213\zeta_3}{48} \right. \\
 &\left. - \frac{17865665}{20736} + N_F \left(-\frac{32743\zeta_3}{2592} + \frac{11\zeta_3^2}{2} - \frac{53215\zeta_5}{1296} + \frac{245\zeta_7}{24} \right) \right. \\
 &\left. + \frac{10134475}{62208} \right] + N_F^2 \left(\frac{103\zeta_3}{432} - \frac{\zeta_3^2}{6} + \frac{5\zeta_5}{12} - \frac{169523}{20736} \right) + N_F^3 \frac{605}{5832} \Bigg] \\
 &= 1 - \hat{a}_s + \hat{a}_s^2 (-4.5833 + 0.3333N_F) \\
 &+ \hat{a}_s^3 (-41.4399 + 7.6073N_F - 0.1775N_F^2) \\
 &+ \hat{a}_s^4 (-479.4475 + 123.3914N_F - 7.6975N_F^2 + 0.1037N_F^3)
 \end{aligned}$$



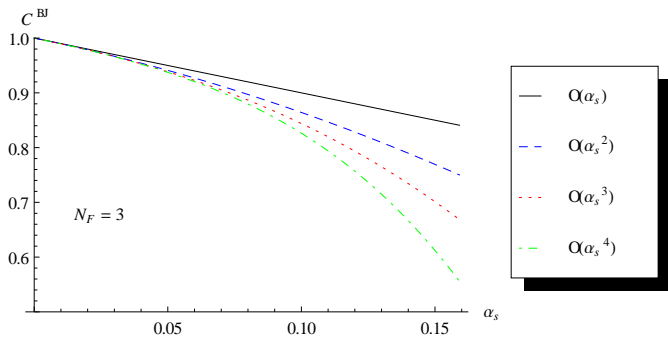
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SU(3) singlet contributions:

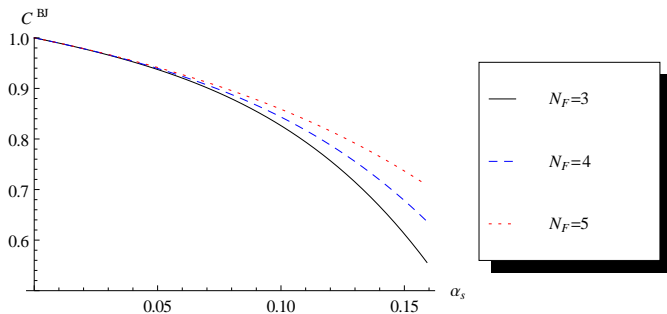
$$\begin{aligned}C_{\text{pBJ}}^{\text{S}} &= \hat{a}_s^4 \frac{10}{9} \left(11 - \frac{2}{3} N_F \right) \sum_{q=1}^{N_F} e_q \\ &= 0 \quad N_F = 3 \\ &= a_s^4 \frac{500}{81} = a_s^4 6.173, \quad N_F = 4 \\ &= a_s^4 \frac{230}{81} = a_s^4 2.938, \quad N_F = 5\end{aligned}$$



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Massive Contributions

Switching on heavy flavors: from threshold to asymptotia

- 1) There are **no logarithmic** contributions $\propto \ln^k(Q^2/m^2)$, due to fermion-number conservation in the **inclusive** non-singlet case.
- 2) Only power corrections $\propto (m^2/Q^2)^l$ will contribute. These corrections start with $O(\alpha_s^2)$.
- 3) Down to which scale are hard corrections are perturbatively reliable?
 $\implies Q^2 \gtrsim 4 \text{ GeV}^2$.

$$\int_0^1 dx \left[g_1^{ep}(x, Q^2) - g_1^{en}(x, Q^2) \right] = \frac{1}{6} \left| \frac{g_A}{g_V} \right| C_{\text{PBJ}}(\hat{\alpha}_s),$$



The Bjorken Sum Rule: $O(\alpha_s^2)$ HQ contributions

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{\text{pBJ}}^{\text{massive},(2)} = & 3C_F T_F \left\{ \frac{6\xi^2 + 2735\xi + 11724}{5040\xi} - \frac{\sqrt{\xi+4}}{\xi^{3/2}} \frac{(3\xi^3 + 106\xi^2 + 1054\xi + 4812)}{5040} \right. \\
 & \times \ln \left[\frac{\sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{\xi}} + 1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{\xi}} - 1} \right] - \frac{1}{\xi^2} \frac{5}{12} \ln^2 \left[\frac{\sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{\xi}} + 1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{\xi}} - 1} \right] \\
 & \left. + \frac{(3\xi^2 + 112\xi + 1260)}{5040} \ln(\xi) \right\},
 \end{aligned}$$

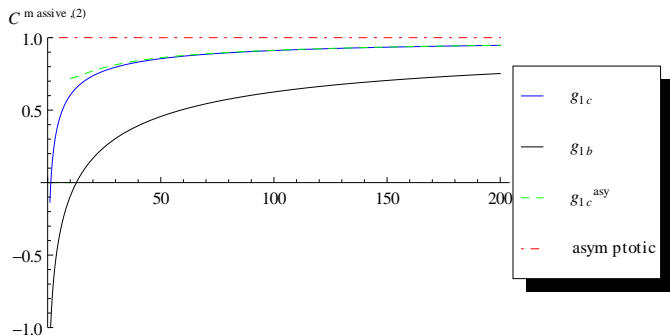
with $\xi = Q^2/m^2$. In the asymptotic region $\xi \gg 1$, $C_{\text{pBJ}}^{\text{massive},(2)}$ behaves like

$$C_{\text{pBJ}}^{\text{massive},(2)} \propto 3C_F T_F \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{5}{12\xi^2} \ln^2(\xi) - \frac{4}{3\xi} \ln(\xi) + \frac{17}{9\xi} + O\left(\frac{\ln(\xi)}{\xi^2}\right) \right\}.$$

Valid to about $Q^2 \simeq m_c^2$.



The Bjorken Sum Rule: $O(\alpha_s^2)$ HQ contributions



JB, G. Falcioni, A. De Freitas, DESY 15-171

Charm and bottom contributions as a function of $\xi = Q^2/m_c^2$; the flavor excitation $N_F \rightarrow N_F + 1$ is shown. Note the **negative!** corrections at low scales.



The Bjorken Sum Rule

Higher Twist Corrections

- Only vaguely known; not very reliable theoretical predictions yet

$$c_{HT} \approx -0.025... + 0.03\text{GeV}^2$$

I.I. Balitsky, V.M. Braun, A.V. Kolesnichenko Phys. Lett B242 (1990) 245; E: B318 (1993) 648; X. Ji, P. Unrau, Phys. Lett. B333 (1994) 228; B. Lampe and E. Reya, Phys. Rep. 332 (2000) 1.

- Better determine it by fitting.

Target Mass Corrections

- To be applied, cf. J. Blümlein and A. Tkabladze, Nucl. Phys. B443 (1999) 427 for the moments.



The Status of $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$: polarized case

- Till now only NLO analyses, however, accounting for charm at LO: JB and H.

Böttcher Nucl. Phys. B841 (2010) 205

- $\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1132_{-0.0051}^{+0.0043} \text{ EXP }_{-0.0015}^{+0.0029} \text{ FS }_{-0.0075}^{+0.0032} \text{ RS}$
- The higher order corrections will remove a significant part of the factorization and renormalization scale uncertainty.
- Yet an experimental error of $\sim \pm 0.005$ will remain.
- This is still a very interesting measurement. The next real leap forward can be made at the EIC, if it will be built.



Conclusions

- The polarized DIS data on $g_1(x, Q^2)$ can be used to project a non-singlet combination.
- The measurement of $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$ at leading twist is currently possible including the 3-loop massless and 2-loop massive Wilson coefficients, using the differential method.
- Higher twist and target mass effects have to be accounted for. The former need to be fitted from the data.
- Using the above method the theory errors can be widely reduced.
- The current experimental error is expected to be ± 0.0050 . It will be interesting to see, which central value is going to be obtained.

