

# **Quark and gluon helicity evolution at small-x: Revised and updated**

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## Part 1: Proton spin puzzle

# Proton spin puzzle / crisis.

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The spin asymmetry in deep inelastic scattering of longitudinally polarised muons by longitudinally polarised protons has been measured over a large  $x$  range ( $0.01 < x < 0.7$ ). The spin-dependent structure function  $g_1(x)$  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  $g_1$  for the neutron. These values for the integrals of  $g_1$  lead to the conclusion that the total quark spin constitutes a rather small fraction of the spin of the nucleon.

## Reminder

$$g_1^{\gamma} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q e_q^2 (\Delta q + \Delta \bar{q}), \quad \Delta q = q^{\uparrow} - q^{\downarrow} \text{ w.r.t. the proton spin} \quad (1)$$

and they observed for the proton

$$\int_{0.01}^{0.7} g_1(x) dx = 0.114 \pm 0.012(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.026(\text{syst.}) \quad (2)$$

## Remarks

- In blue: finite range of integration. "... the small  $x$  region is expected to make a large contribution to the integrals."
- In red: Ellis-Jaffe sum rule. → Theoretical understanding of the 70's.

→ How do we understand this value?

## Theoretical prediction in the 70's

→ How do we understand this value?  $0.114 \pm 0.012(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.026(\text{syst.})$

### Ellis-Jaffe sum rule, assumptions

- Sea  $q\bar{q}$ :  $\lambda^+(x) \simeq \lambda^-(x) \simeq \bar{\lambda}^+(x) \simeq \bar{\lambda}^-(x)$
- Ansatz  $\Delta s \sim 0$  (no intrinsic strangeness)
- Belief that valence quarks carry the proton spin.

we obtain<sup>11</sup>

$$\int_0^1 d\xi g_1^{ep}(\xi) = \frac{g_A}{12} (1.78), \quad (6)$$

$$\int_0^1 d\xi g_1^{en}(\xi) = \frac{g_A}{12} (-0.22), \quad (7)$$

where  $g_A = 1.248 \pm 0.010$ .

Ellis-Jaffe sum rule prediction (70's):  $0.185 \pm 0.0015 \rightarrow \underline{\text{Not compatible with } 0.114}$

*Where is the missing spin ?*

Old fundamental problem ( $\sim 30y$ ) → looking at small number adding up to 1/2.

- There are progresses → Still don't understand the spin of the proton in term of QCD dof.

# The missing spin of the proton?

A more recent picture of the proton spin.

Spin sum rule (Jaffe Manohar decomposition [Nucl. Phys. B337, 509 (1990)])

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Sigma_q + \Sigma_g + L_q + L_g$$

Diagram illustrating the decomposition of the proton spin:

- Proton spin ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) is the sum of:
  - Quark spin ( $\frac{1}{2}\Sigma_q$ )
  - Gluon spin ( $\Sigma_g$ )
  - Quark OAM ( $L_q$ )
  - Gluon OAM ( $L_g$ )

Possibilities:

- Gluon spin
- Quark/Gluon angular orbital momentum

Problems?

- Gauge-dependence and non-uniquity of the decomposition.  
(e.g. Ji-decomposition has no identification of gluon spin/OAM)

Large and low  $x$  region. Experiments only access a finite range of  $x$ ...

$$\Sigma_q = \int_0^1 dx \left( q^\uparrow(x) - q^\downarrow(x) \right) \quad (3)$$

Possibilities

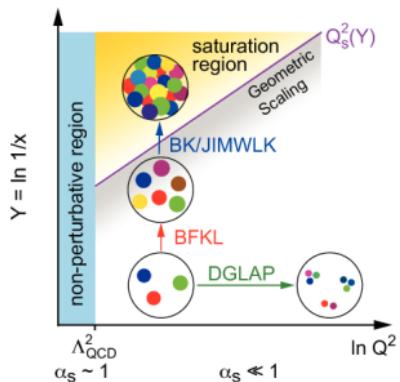
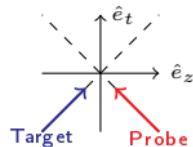
- Large- $x$ ?
- Small- $x$ ?

Part 2: Quark flavor-singlet helicity distribution

## Comments on the framework (1/3)

Using lc coordinates  $a^\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(a^0 \pm a^3)$

Frame choice:  $\rightarrow$  Probe minus-moving, target plus-moving.



- Aim: Contribution to the spin using small-x asymptotic.  
 $\rightarrow$  Evolution in rapidity.
- Approach: Take a TMD,  
 $\rightarrow$  Simplify / Evolve / Solve.
- Equations in the spirit of BK-evolution.  
Initiated by [Kovchegov, Pitonyak, and Sievert].

**Rmk:**  $\exists$  other frameworks for  $g_1$  at small-x, such as Bartel, Ermolaev, and Ryskin [BER] - (1996).

**Def:** Wilson Lines for any irreducible representation (irrep) are

$$W_{\underline{x}}^{(R)}[b^-, a^-] \equiv P \exp \left\{ ig \int_{a^-}^{b^-} dx^- t_R^a A^+ a(x^+ = 0, x^-, \underline{x}) \right\}. \quad (4)$$

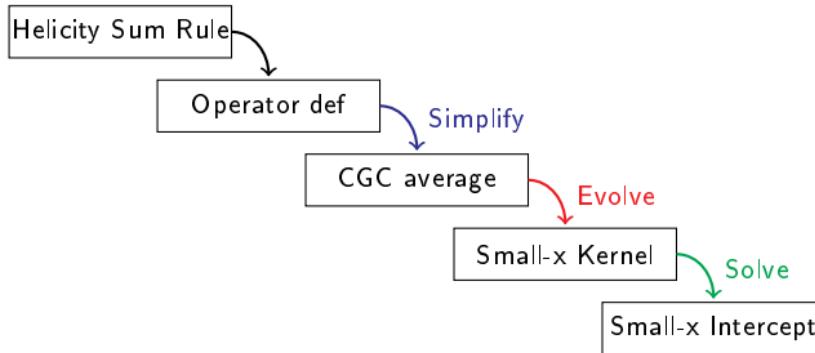
$\Rightarrow$  Depends only on the background field  $A^+$  (Lorentz Gauge).

**Notation:** we use  $V$  for fundamental WL, and  $U$  for adjoint WL.

## Comments on the framework (2/3)

Yuri's (and al.) approach "Simplify, Evolve, and Solve"

[Y.V Kovchegov, D. Pitonyak, and M. D. Sievert 2016 2017] [Y.V Kovchegov, and M. D. Sievert 2018]



Helicity distributions (flavor-singlet)

$$g_{1L}^S(x, k_T^2) = \frac{8N_c}{(2\pi)^6} \int d^2\underline{\zeta} d^2\underline{w} d^2\underline{y} e^{-ik \cdot (\underline{\zeta} - \underline{y})} \int_{\Lambda^2/s}^1 \frac{dz}{z} \frac{\underline{\zeta} - \underline{w}}{|\underline{\zeta} - \underline{w}|^2} \cdot \frac{\underline{y} - \underline{w}}{|\underline{y} - \underline{w}|^2} G_{\underline{w}, \underline{\zeta}}(zs) \quad (5)$$

where

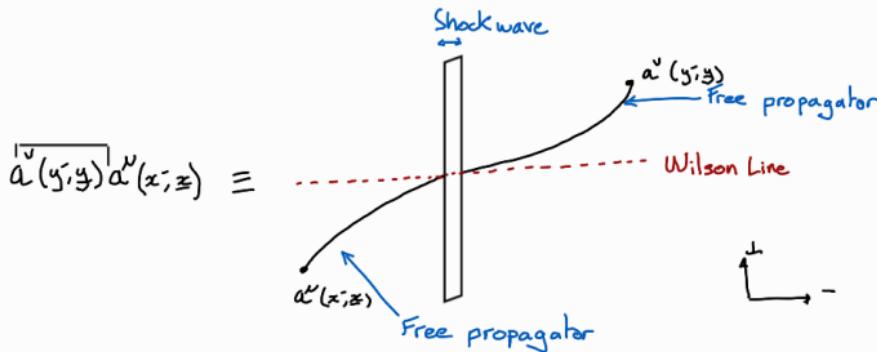
$$G_{\underline{w}, \underline{\zeta}}(zs) = \frac{k_1^- p^+}{N_c} \operatorname{Re} \left\langle T \operatorname{tr} \left[ V_{\underline{\zeta}} V_{\underline{w}}^{pol\dagger} \right] + T \operatorname{tr} \left[ V_{\underline{w}}^{pol} V_{\underline{\zeta}}^\dagger \right] \right\rangle \quad (6)$$

*Think of it as a regular dipole amplitude (for the moment)*

## Comments on the framework (3/3) - Propagator and Shockwave

### Recipe:

- Split the background field  $A^\mu$  into a new background  $A^\mu$  and a quantum field  $a^\mu$  (according to their longitudinal momentum fraction)
- Integrate out quantum fields  $a^\mu$ .
- Require the propagator in the new background. Use shockwave approximation.
- Pull out the corresponding kernel for one step of evolution.



### Remarks

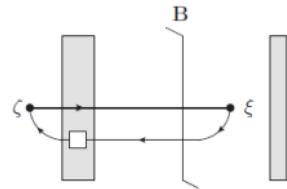
- In our case, we go beyond eikonal approximation since helicity-dependence is a genuine subeikonal effect.
- Introduce Wilson line and polarized Wilson lines, up to subeikonal level.

## Situation prior to this contribution (1/3)

Consider the quark helicity TMD [Kovchegov et al. 2018]

$$g_{1L}^q(x, k_T^2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{S_L} S_L \int d^2 \underline{r} dr^- e^{i \underline{k} \cdot \underline{r}} \langle p, S_L | \bar{\psi}(0) U[0, r] \frac{\gamma^+ \gamma^5}{2} \psi(r) | p, S_L \rangle. \quad (7)$$

- Gauge-link  $U[0, r]$  is process dependent,  
SIDIS  $\rightarrow$  forward staple.
- Simplify at small- $x$ , remaining diagram is B.



After some algebra...

$$\begin{aligned} g_{1L}^q(x, k_T^2) &= -\frac{2p^+}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^2 \zeta d^2 w \frac{d^2 k_1 dk_1^-}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i(\underline{k}_1 + \underline{k}) \cdot (\underline{w} - \underline{\zeta})} \theta(k_1^-) \sum_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2} \\ &\times \bar{v}_{\sigma_2}(k_2) \frac{1}{2} \gamma^+ \gamma^5 v_{\sigma_1}(k_1) 2 \sqrt{k_1^- k_2^-} \times \left\langle \text{TV}_{\underline{\zeta}}^{ij} \left( \bar{v}_{\sigma_1}(k_1) \hat{V}_{\underline{w}}^{\dagger ji} v_{\sigma_2}(k_2) \right) \right\rangle \\ &\times \frac{1}{[2k_1^- x P^+ + \underline{k}_1 - i\epsilon k_1^-][2k_1^- x P^+ + \underline{k}^2 + i\epsilon k_1^-]} \Big|_{k_2^- = k_1^-, k_2 = -\underline{k}} + c.c. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

## Situation prior to this contribution (2/3)

The previous green operator reads

$$\left( \bar{v}_\sigma(p) \hat{V}_{\underline{x}}^\dagger v_{\sigma'}(p') \right) = 2\sqrt{p^- p'^-} \delta_{\sigma\sigma'} \left( V_{\underline{x}}^\dagger - \sigma V_{\underline{x}}^{pol\dagger} + \dots \right). \quad (9)$$

Recall the flavor-singlet contribution simplified at small- $x$  gives

$$g_{1L}^S(x, k_T^2) = \frac{8N_c i}{(2\pi)^5} \int d^2\zeta d^2\underline{w} e^{-i\underline{k}\cdot(\underline{\zeta}-\underline{w})} \int_{\Lambda^2/s}^1 \frac{dz}{z} \frac{\underline{\zeta}-\underline{w}}{(\underline{\zeta}-\underline{w})^2} \cdot \frac{\underline{k}}{\underline{k}^2} G_{\underline{w},\underline{y}}(zs). \quad (10)$$

The dipole operator  $G_{\underline{w},\underline{y}}(zs)$  is

$$G_{\underline{w},\underline{y}}(zs) = \frac{k_1^- p^+}{N_c} \text{Re} \left\langle T \text{tr} \left[ V_{\underline{x}} V_{\underline{w}}^{pol\dagger} \right] + T \text{tr} \left[ V_{\underline{w}}^{pol} V_{\underline{x}}^\dagger \right] \right\rangle, \quad (11)$$

where the polarized Wilson line reads

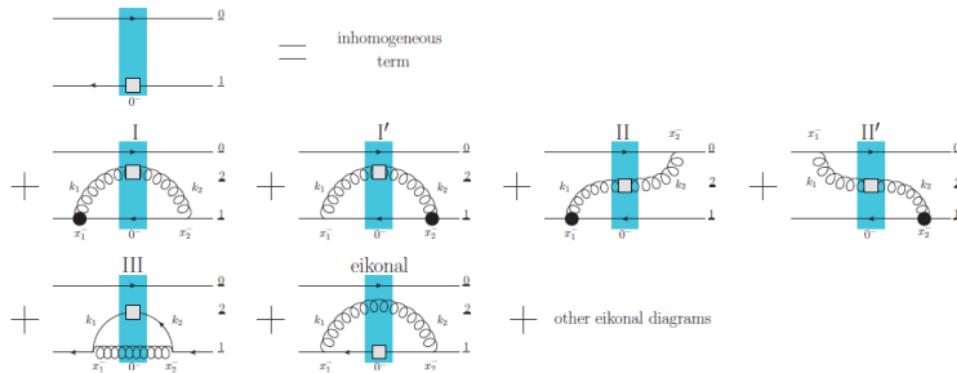
$$\begin{aligned} V_{\underline{x}}^{pol} &= ig \frac{p^+}{s} \int dx^- V_{\underline{x}}[\infty, x^-] F^{12} V_{\underline{x}}[x^-, -\infty] \\ &\quad - g^2 \frac{p^+}{s} \int dx_1^- \int_{x_1^-} dx_2^- V_{\underline{x}}[\infty, x_2^-] t^b \psi_\beta(x_2^-, \underline{x} U_{\underline{x}}^{ba}[x_2^-, x_1^-] [\frac{1}{2} \gamma^+ \gamma^5]_{\alpha\beta} \bar{\psi}_\alpha(x_1^-, \underline{x}) t^a V_{\underline{x}}[x_1^-, -\infty]. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

## Situation prior to this contribution (3/3)

### Remarks

- "Dressed dipoles" involve polarized WL. Obtained as sub-eikonal corrections to the scattering of a quark on a target.
- Corrections are proportional to  $\sigma\delta_{\sigma\sigma'}$  in helicity basis (Brodsky-Lepage spinors in the minus direction).

**Evolution** (DLA, Involves the same WL at different coordinates  $\rightarrow \sigma\delta_{\sigma\sigma'}$ )



### Solve

Intercept in the pure glue case is  $\Delta\Sigma \sim \Delta G \sim g_1 \sim (1/x)^{\alpha_h^q}$  with  $\alpha_h \sim 2.31\sqrt{\frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi}}$ .

✗ Disagreement with BER pure glue intercept  $\alpha_h \sim 3.66\sqrt{\frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi}}$

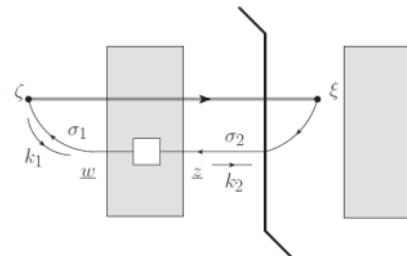
## Quark flavor-singlet helicity TMD - New dipole (1/2)

Let us start again from the quark helicity TMD: [2004.11898]

$$\begin{aligned} g_{1L}^q(x, k_T^2) = & -\frac{2p^+}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^2\zeta d^2w d^2z \frac{d^2k dk^-}{(2\pi)^3} e^{ik_1 \cdot (\underline{w} - \underline{\zeta}) + ik \cdot (\underline{z} - \underline{\zeta})} \theta(k_1^-) \sum_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2} \\ & \times \bar{v}_{\sigma_2}(k_2) \frac{1}{2} \gamma^+ \gamma^5 v_{\sigma_1}(k_1) 2\sqrt{k_1^- k_2^-} \times \left\langle \text{Tr} \left[ V_{\underline{\zeta}} V_{\underline{z}, \underline{w}; \sigma_2, \sigma_1}^\dagger \right] \right\rangle \\ & \times \left. \frac{1}{[2k_1^- xP^+ + \underline{k}_1 - i\epsilon k_1^-][2k_1^- xP^+ + \underline{k}^2 + i\epsilon k_1^-]} \right|_{k_2^- = k_1^-, k_2 = -\underline{k}} + c.c. \quad (13) \end{aligned}$$

### Remarks

- $V_{\underline{z}, \underline{w}; \sigma', \sigma}$  is the quark  $S$ -matrix for a quark-target scattering in helicity-basis.
- Allows for non locality before and after the shock wave.



# Wilson lines and eikonal expansion

At sub-eikonal order:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\underline{x}, \underline{y}; \sigma', \sigma} &= V_{\underline{x}} \delta^2(\underline{x} - \underline{y}) \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} \quad (14) \\ &+ \frac{i P^+}{s} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz^- d^2 z V_{\underline{x}}[\infty, z^-] \delta^2(\underline{x} - \underline{z}) \left[ -\delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} \overleftrightarrow{D}^i D^i + g \sigma \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} F^{12} \right](z^-, \underline{z}) V_{\underline{y}}[z^-, -\infty] \delta^2(\underline{y} - \underline{z}) \\ &- \frac{g^2 P^+}{2 s} \delta^2(\underline{x} - \underline{y}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz_1^- \int_{z_1^-}^{\infty} dz_2^- V_{\underline{x}}[\infty, z_2^-] t^b \psi_\beta(z_2^-, \underline{x}) U_{\underline{x}}^{ba}[z_2^-, z_1^-] \left[ \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} \gamma^+ - \sigma \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} \gamma^+ \gamma^5 \right]_{\alpha \beta} \\ &\times \bar{\psi}_\alpha(z_1^-, \underline{x}) t^a V_{\underline{x}}[z_1^-, -\infty], \end{aligned}$$

## Remarks

- Blue  $\rightarrow$  Already used in previous  $V^{pol}$ . Label of the first kind; notation  $V^{pol[1]}$ . Proportional to  $\sigma \delta_{\sigma \sigma'}$ .
- Red  $\rightarrow$  "NEW" (in our framework). Label of the second kind; notation  $V^{pol[2]}$ . Proportional to  $\delta_{\sigma \sigma'}$ .

Picture?

For the quark S-matrix at sub eikonal order, see also:

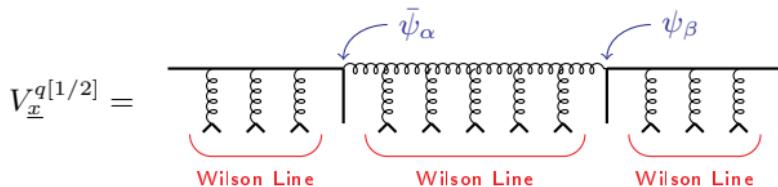
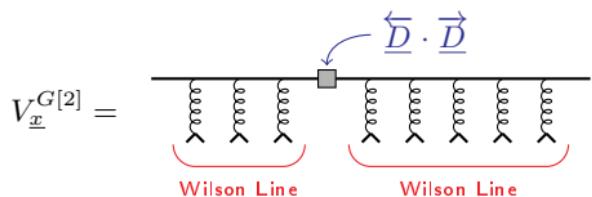
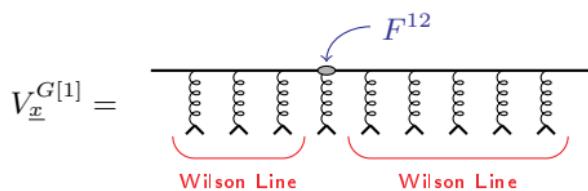
- Balitsky and Tarasov, e.g. [1505.02151]
- Chirilli, e.g. [1807.11435]
- Altinoluk et al., e.g. [2012.03886]
- Kovchegov et al., e.g. [1808.09010] [2108.03667]

# Wilson lines and eikonal expansion - Pictures!

Polarized WL,

$$V_{\underline{x}}^{\text{pol}[1]} = \underbrace{V_{\underline{x}}^G[1] + V_{\underline{x}}^q[1]}_{\sigma \delta_{\sigma\sigma'}}, \quad V_{\underline{x},\underline{y}}^{\text{pol}[2]} = \underbrace{V_{\underline{x},\underline{y}}^G[2] + V_{\underline{x}}^q[2]}_{\delta_{\sigma\sigma'}} \delta^2(\underline{x} - \underline{y}).$$

can be represented as



Contraction with  $(\gamma^+ \gamma^5)_{\alpha\beta} \times \sigma \delta_{\sigma\sigma'}$  or  $\gamma_{\alpha\beta}^+ \times \delta_{\sigma\sigma'}$

## Quark flavor-singlet helicity TMD - New dipole (2/2)

Simplified at small- $x$ , the quark flavor-singlet helicity TMD reads

$$g_{1L}^S(x, k_T^2) = \frac{8 N_c N_f}{(2\pi)^5} \int_{\Lambda^2/s}^1 \frac{dz}{z} \int d^2 x_{10} e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}_{10}} \left[ i \frac{\vec{x}_{10}}{x_{10}^2} \cdot \frac{\underline{k}}{k^2} [Q(x_{10}^2, zs) + G_2(x_{10}^2, zs)] - \frac{(\underline{k} \times \underline{x}_{10})^2}{\underline{k}^2 x_{10}^2} G_2(x_{10}^2, zs) \right], \quad (15)$$

The new dipole  $G_2$  is defined with

$$G_{10}^j(zs) \equiv \frac{1}{2N_c} \langle\langle \text{tr} \left[ V_{\underline{\xi}}^\dagger V_{\underline{\xi}}^{j \text{ G}[2]} + (V_{\underline{\xi}}^{j \text{ G}[2]})^\dagger V_{\underline{\xi}} \right] \rangle\rangle \quad (16)$$

$$\int d^2 \left( \frac{x_1 + x_0}{2} \right) G_{10}^i(zs) = (x_{10})_\perp^i G_1(x_{10}^2, zs) + \epsilon^{ij} (x_{10})_\perp^j G_2(x_{10}^2, zs). \quad (17)$$

### Remarks

- Dependence on previously used dipole  $Q(x_{10}^2, zs)$ .
- The previously missing dependence is proportional to  $G_2(x_{10}^2, zs)$ .
- New contribution depends on the sub-eikonal operator  $\overleftrightarrow{D}$ , related to the Jaffe-Manohar polarized gluon distribution.

## Evolution, revised and updated

One step of evolution reads the formal form

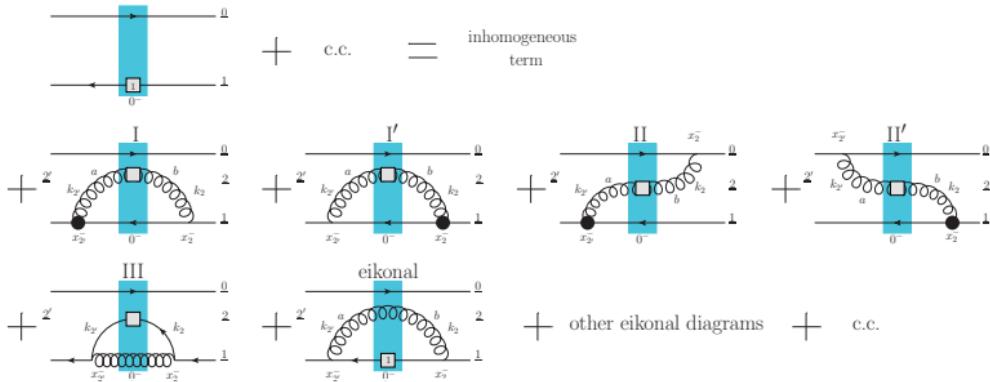
$$\hat{\mathcal{O}}_i = \hat{\mathcal{O}}_i^{(0)} + \sum_j \mathcal{K}_{ij} \otimes \hat{\mathcal{O}}_j \quad (18)$$

- Mixing to operators involving Wilson lines of first and/or second kind.
- Kernel involves transverse and longitudinal logarithmic integrals. The evolution is DLA, as opposed to the unpolarized one being SLA.
- Lifetime ordering is explicit  $\theta(z\underline{x}_{10}^2 - z'\underline{x}_{21}^2)$ .
- Similar to the Balitsky hierarchy, equation are not closed.
- Can be closed in the 't Hooft large  $N_c$ -limit or Veneziano large  $N_c \& N_f$ -limit.

## Results

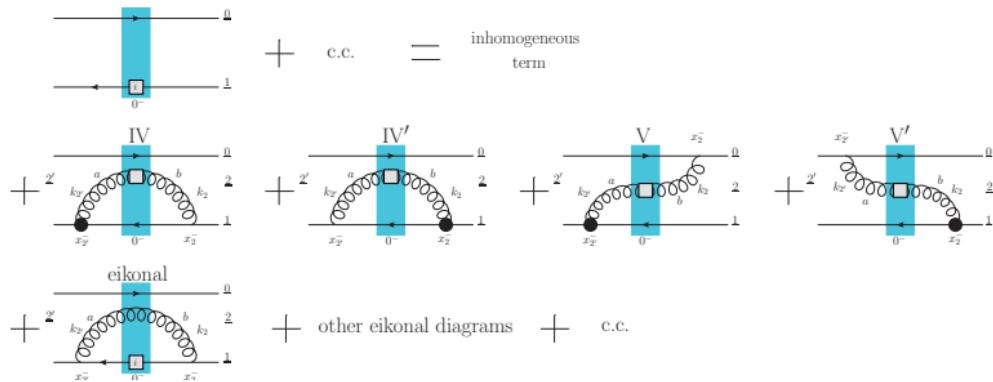
- In the pure glue sector, the intercept becomes  $\alpha_h \sim 3.66 \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi}}$ . In complete agreement with BER result.
- Iterating this kernel, one recover the small- $x$  spin-dependent DGLAP kernel.

# Evolution, revised and updated - What is really looks like... Type 1



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{2N_c} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ V_0^\perp V_1^{\text{pol}[1]\dagger} \right] + \text{c.c.} \right\rangle \right\rangle (zs) = \frac{1}{2N_c} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ V_0^\perp V_1^{\text{pol}[1]\dagger} \right] + \text{c.c.} \right\rangle \right\rangle_0 (zs) \\
 & + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi^2} \int \limits_{\frac{\Lambda^2}{s}}^z \frac{dz'}{z'} \int d^2 x_2 \left\{ \left[ \frac{1}{x_{21}^2} - \frac{x_{21}}{x_{21}^2} \cdot \frac{x_{20}}{x_{20}^2} \right] \frac{1}{N_c^2} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_0^\perp t^a V_1^\dagger \right] \left( U_2^{\text{pol}[1]} \right)^{ba} + \text{c.c.} \right\rangle \right\rangle (z's) \right. \\
 & + \left[ 2 \frac{\epsilon^{ij} x_{21}^j}{x_{21}^4} - \frac{\epsilon^{ij} (x_{20}^j + x_{21}^j)}{x_{20}^2 x_{21}^2} - \frac{2 x_{20} \times x_{21}}{x_{20}^2 x_{21}^2} \left( \frac{x_{21}^i}{x_{21}^2} - \frac{x_{20}^i}{x_{20}^2} \right) \right] \frac{1}{N_c^2} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_0^\perp t^a V_1^\dagger \right] \left( U_2^{iG[2]} \right)^{ba} + \text{c.c.} \right\rangle \right\rangle (z's) \Bigg\} \\
 & + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{4\pi^2} \int \limits_{\frac{\Lambda^2}{s}}^z \frac{dz'}{z'} \int \frac{d^2 x_2}{x_{21}^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{N_c^2} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_0^\perp t^a V_2^{\text{pol}[1]\dagger} \right] U_1^{ba} \right\rangle \right\rangle (z's) + 2 \frac{\epsilon^{ij} x_{21}^j}{x_{21}^2} \frac{1}{N_c^2} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_0^\perp t^a V_2^{iG[2]\dagger} \right] U_1^{ba} \right\rangle \right\rangle (z's) + \text{c.c.} \right\} \\
 & + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi^2} \int \limits_{\frac{\Lambda^2}{s}}^z \frac{dz'}{z'} \int d^2 x_2 \frac{x_{10}^2}{x_{21}^2 x_{20}^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{N_c^2} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_0^\perp t^a V_1^{\text{pol}[1]\dagger} \right] U_2^{ba} \right\rangle \right\rangle (z's) - \frac{C_F}{N_c^2} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ V_0^\perp V_1^{\text{pol}[1]\dagger} \right] \right\rangle \right\rangle (z's) + \text{c.c.} \right\}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{95}$$

## Evolution, revised and updated - What is really looks like... Type 2



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{2N_c} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ V_{\underline{0}} V_{\underline{1}}^{iG[2]\dagger} \right] + \text{c.c.} \right\rangle \right\rangle (zs) = \frac{1}{2N_c} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ V_{\underline{0}} V_{\underline{1}}^{iG[2]\dagger} \right] + \text{c.c.} \right\rangle \right\rangle_0 (zs) \\
 & + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{4\pi^2} \int \limits_{\frac{\Lambda^2}{\sigma}}^z \frac{dz'}{z'} \int d^2 x_2 \left\{ \left[ \frac{\epsilon^{ij} x_{21}^j}{x_{21}^2} - \frac{\epsilon^{ij} x_{20}^j}{x_{20}^2} + 2x_{21}^i \frac{x_{21} \times x_{20}}{x_{21}^2 x_{20}^2} \right] \frac{1}{N_c^2} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_{\underline{0}} t^a V_{\underline{1}}^\dagger \right] \left( U_2^{\text{pol}[1]} \right)^{ba} + \text{c.c.} \right\rangle \right\rangle (z's) \right. \\
 & + \left[ \delta^{ij} \left( \frac{3}{x_{21}^2} - 2 \frac{x_{20} \cdot x_{21}}{x_{20}^2 x_{21}^2} - \frac{1}{x_{20}^2} \right) - 2 \frac{x_{21}^i x_{20}^j}{x_{21}^2 x_{20}^2} \left( 2 \frac{x_{20} \cdot x_{21}}{x_{20}^2} + 1 \right) + 2 \frac{x_{21}^i x_{21}^j}{x_{21}^2 x_{20}^2} \left( 2 \frac{x_{20} \cdot x_{21}}{x_{21}^2} + 1 \right) + 2 \frac{x_{21}^i x_{20}^j}{x_{20}^4} - 2 \frac{x_{21}^i x_{21}^j}{x_{21}^4} \right] \\
 & \times \frac{1}{N_c^2} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_{\underline{0}} t^a V_{\underline{1}}^\dagger \right] \left( U_2^{jG[2]} \right)^{ba} + \text{c.c.} \right\rangle \right\rangle (z's) \Big\} \\
 & + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi^2} \int \limits_{\frac{\Lambda^2}{\sigma}}^z \frac{dz'}{z'} \int d^2 x_2 \frac{x_{10}^2}{x_{21}^2 x_{20}^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{N_c^2} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_{\underline{0}} t^a V_{\underline{1}}^{iG[2]\dagger} \right] (U_2)^{ba} \right\rangle \right\rangle (z's) - \frac{C_F}{N_c^2} \left\langle \left\langle \text{tr} \left[ V_{\underline{0}} V_{\underline{1}}^{iG[2]\dagger} \right] \right\rangle \right\rangle (z's) + \text{c.c.} \right\}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{106}$$

## A very last slide

### A quick conclusion

- Small-x evolution equations for helicity distributions at DLA.
- Involve  $G_2$  operator.
- Numerical agreement with the intercept found by BER.

### Some Prospects

- Solving those equation in the Veneziano limit (oscillations?).
- Going beyond the DLA limit. Resumming IR-log, and thus interfacing with full spin-dependent DGLAP.
- Fixing helicity-JIMWLK.
- Phenomenology using the JAM framework.

## Extra

- Gluon helicity and Lipatov vertex
- Large  $N_c$  limit
- TMD's
- $g_1$
- Recovering small-x Pol DGALP

## Gluon helicity

From the Jaffe-Manohar (JM) gluon helicity PDF

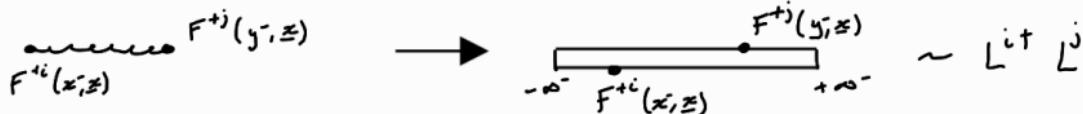
$$\Delta G(x, Q^2) = \int d^2 k g_{1L}^{G\,dip}(x, k_T^2) = \frac{-2i}{x P^+} \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{S_L} S_L \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi^- e^{ixP^+ \xi^-} \times \langle P, S_L | \epsilon^{ij} F^{a+i}(0^+, 0^-, \underline{0}) U_{\underline{0}}^{ab}[0, \xi^-] F^{b+j}(0^+, \xi^-, \underline{0}) | P, S_L \rangle, \quad (19)$$

Identify after some algebra the dipole gluon helicity TMD

$$g_{1L}^{G\,dip}(x, k_T^2) = \frac{-2i}{x P^+ V^-} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{S_L} S_L \langle P, S_L | \epsilon^{ij} \text{tr} [L^{i\dagger}(x, \underline{k}) L^j(x, \underline{k})] | P, S_L \rangle \quad (20)$$

where we define the Lipatov vertex:

$$L^j(x, \underline{k}) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi^- d^2 \xi e^{ixP^+ \xi^- - i\underline{k} \cdot \underline{\xi}} V_{\underline{\xi}}[\infty, \xi^-] (\partial^j A^+ + ixP^+ A^j) V_{\underline{\xi}}[\xi^-, -\infty] \quad (21)$$



## Gluon helicity

Expanding the Lipatov vertex in eikinality (i.e. Bjorken  $x$ )

$$L^j(x, \underline{k}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi^- d^2\xi e^{-i\underline{k}\cdot\underline{\xi}} V_{\underline{\xi}}[\infty, \xi^-] \left[ \partial^j A^+ + ixP^+ \left( \xi^- \partial^j A^+ + A^j \right) + \mathcal{O}(x^2) \right] V_{\underline{\xi}}[\xi^-, -\infty], \quad (22)$$

which we can write

$$L^j(x, \underline{k}) = -\frac{k^j}{g} \int d^2\xi e^{-i\underline{k}\cdot\underline{\xi}} V_{\underline{\xi}} - \frac{xP^+}{2g} \int d^2\xi e^{-i\underline{k}\cdot\underline{\xi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz^- V_{\underline{\xi}}[\infty, z^-] \left[ D^j - \overleftarrow{D}^j \right] V_{\underline{\xi}}[z^-, -\infty] \quad (23)$$

Performing the helicity dependent "CGC average"

$$g_{1L}^{G\,dip}(x, k_T^2) = \frac{-4i}{g^2 (2\pi)^3} \epsilon^{ij} k^i \int d^2\zeta d^2\xi e^{-i\underline{k}\cdot(\underline{\xi}-\underline{\zeta})} \underbrace{\left\langle\!\left\langle \text{tr} \left[ V_{\underline{\zeta}}^\dagger V_{\underline{\xi}}^{j\,G[2]} + \left( V_{\underline{\xi}}^{j\,G[2]} \right)^\dagger V_{\underline{\zeta}} \right] \right\rangle\!\right\rangle}_{=2N_c G_{\underline{\xi}, \underline{\zeta}}^j(zs)}, \quad (24)$$

with a polarized Wilson line of the second kind (more on this soon)

$$V_{\underline{z}}^{i\,G[2]} \equiv \frac{P^+}{2s} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz^- V_{\underline{z}}[\infty, z^-] \left[ D^i(z^-, \underline{z}) - \overleftarrow{D}^i(z^-, \underline{z}) \right] V_{\underline{z}}[z^-, -\infty]. \quad (25)$$

$\implies$  We call  $G_{\underline{\xi}, \underline{\zeta}}^j(zs)$  a Polarized dipole amplitude of the second kind.

## Solving, 't Hooft limit - Color

In the large  $N_c$ -limit (drop quarks  $t$ -channel exchanges)

$$U_{\underline{x}}^{\text{pol}[1]} \rightarrow U_{\underline{x}}^{G[1]} \quad (26)$$

Replace adjoint WL using:

$$(U_{\underline{x}})^{ba} = 2 \text{tr}[t^b V_{\underline{x}} t^a V_{\underline{x}}^\dagger]. \quad (27)$$

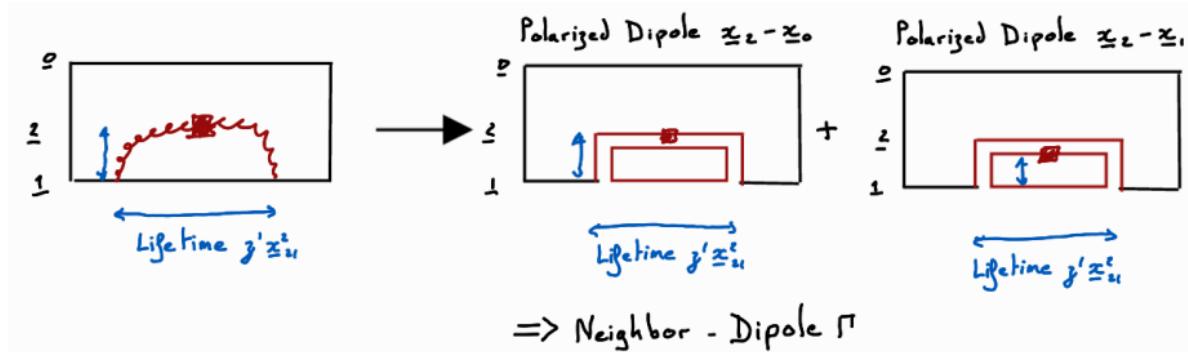
and

$$\left(U_{\underline{x}}^{G[1]}\right)^{ba} = 2 \times \left\{ 2 \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_{\underline{x}} t^a V_{\underline{x}}^{G[1]\dagger} \right] + 2 \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_{\underline{x}}^{G[1]} t^a V_{\underline{x}}^\dagger \right] \right\}. \quad (28)$$

$$\left(U_{\underline{x}}^{iG[2]}\right)^{ba} = 2 \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_{\underline{x}} t^a V_{\underline{x}}^{iG[2]\dagger} \right] + 2 \text{tr} \left[ t^b V_{\underline{x}}^{iG[2]} t^a V_{\underline{x}}^\dagger \right] \quad (29)$$

Notice the factor 2 in the former. A gluon has twice the spin of a quark.

## Solving, 't Hooft limit - Lifetime



After Fiertzing arround, introduce neighbor dipole amplitude  $\Gamma$  to enforce lifetime ordering at each step of the evolution.

## Solving, 't Hooft limit - Equation and intercept

$$G(x_{10}^2, z_s) = G^{(0)}(x_{10}^2, z_s) + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \int_{\frac{1}{sx_{10}^2}}^z \frac{dz'}{z'} \int_{\frac{1}{z's}}^{\min[x_{10}^2, x_{21}^2, \frac{z'}{z''}]} \frac{dx_{21}^2}{x_{21}^2} \left[ \Gamma(x_{10}^2, x_{21}^2, z's) + 3 G(x_{21}^2, z's) + 2 G_2(x_{21}^2, z's) + 2 \Gamma_2(x_{10}^2, x_{21}^2, z's) \right], \quad (30a)$$

$$\Gamma(x_{10}^2, x_{21}^2, z's) = G^{(0)}(x_{10}^2, z's) + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \int_{\frac{1}{sx_{10}^2}}^{z'} \frac{dz''}{z''} \int_{\frac{1}{z''s}}^{\min[x_{10}^2, x_{32}^2, \frac{z'}{z''}]} \frac{dx_{32}^2}{x_{32}^2} \left[ \Gamma(x_{10}^2, x_{32}^2, z''s) + 3 G(x_{32}^2, z''s) + 2 G_2(x_{32}^2, z''s) + 2 \Gamma_2(x_{10}^2, x_{32}^2, z''s) \right], \quad (30b)$$

$$G_2(x_{10}^2, z_s) = G_2^{(0)}(x_{10}^2, z_s) + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \int_{\frac{1}{s}}^z \frac{dz'}{z'} \int_{\max[x_{10}^2, \frac{1}{z's}]}^{\min[\frac{z'}{z'}, x_{10}^2, \frac{1}{\Lambda^2}]} \frac{dx_{21}^2}{x_{21}^2} [G(x_{21}^2, z's) + 2 G_2(x_{21}^2, z's)], \quad (30c)$$

$$\Gamma_2(x_{10}^2, x_{21}^2, z's) = G_2^{(0)}(x_{10}^2, z's) + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \int_{\frac{1}{s}}^{z'} \frac{dz''}{z''} \int_{\max[x_{10}^2, \frac{1}{z''s}]}^{\min[\frac{z'}{z''}, x_{21}^2, \frac{1}{\Lambda^2}]} \frac{dx_{32}^2}{x_{32}^2} [G(x_{32}^2, z''s) + 2 G_2(x_{32}^2, z''s)]. \quad (30d)$$

Numerical solution for the intercept:

$$\Delta\Sigma(x, Q^2) \sim \Delta G(x, Q^2) \sim g_1(x, Q^2) \sim (1/x)^{3.66} \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi}}. \quad (31)$$

# TMD's

		Quark polarization		
		Unpolarized (U)	Longitudinally Polarized (L)	Transversely Polarized (T)
Nucleon Polarization	U	$f_1 = \odot$	*	$h_1^\perp = \odot \downarrow - \odot \downarrow$
	L	*	$g_1 = \odot \rightarrow - \odot \rightarrow$	$h_{1L}^\perp = \odot \rightarrow - \odot \rightarrow$
	T	$f_{1T}^\perp = \odot \uparrow - \odot \downarrow$	$g_{1T} = \odot \uparrow - \odot \uparrow$	$h_1 = \odot \uparrow - \odot \uparrow$ $h_{1T}^\perp = \odot \uparrow - \odot \uparrow$

From "QCD2019 Workshop Summary"

## Getting $g_1$ - short recap

From the antisym hadronic tensor (e.g. [PDG] [Lampe and Reya 2000])

$$W^{[\mu\nu]} \sim i\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \frac{q^\rho}{M_p P \cdot q} \left[ S^\sigma g_1(x, Q^2) + \left( S^\sigma - \frac{Q \cdot q}{P \cdot q} P^\sigma \right) g_2(x, Q^2) \right] \quad (32)$$

DIS pol Scattering cross section is

$$\sigma^{\gamma^* p}(\lambda, \Sigma) = -\frac{8\pi^2 \alpha_{EM} x}{Q^2} \lambda \Sigma \left[ g_1(x, Q^2) - \frac{4x^2 M_p^2}{Q^2} g_2(x, Q^2) \right] \quad (33)$$



One finally obtain (take the DLA limit)

$$g_1(x, Q^2) = -\sum_f \frac{Z_f^2}{2} \frac{N_c}{2\pi^3} \int_{\Lambda^2/s}^1 \frac{dz}{z} \int_{1/zs}^{\min\{1/zQ^2, 1/\Lambda^2\}} \frac{dx_{10}^2}{x_{10}^2} [Q(x_{10}^2, zs) + 2G_2(x_{10}^2, zs)] \quad (34)$$

## Recovering small-x pol DGLAP

Pol DGLAP splitting function at small-x is

$$\Delta P_{gg}(z) \rightarrow \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} 4N_c + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^2 4N_c^2 \ln^2 z + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^3 \frac{7}{3} N_c^3 \ln^4 z \quad (35)$$

From the large  $N_C$  equations, start evolution with

$$G^{(0)}(x_{10}^2, zs) = 0, \quad G_2^{(0)}(x_{10}^2, zs) = 1 \quad (36)$$

iterate three times, one finds

$$\Delta G^{(3)}(x, Q^2) = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^3 \left[ \frac{7}{120} \ln^5 \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \ln \left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) + \frac{1}{6} \ln^4 \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \ln^2 \left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) + \frac{2}{9} \ln^3 \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \ln^3 \left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) \right]$$

where

$$1/x_{10}^2 \rightarrow Q^2, \quad zs z_{10}^2 \rightarrow 1/x \quad (37)$$