Hadron Structure via Parton Distribution Functions

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low-energy **Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs)** and high-energy hard-core interactions.



$$\sigma = f_a(x_1, \mu^2) \otimes f_b(x_2, \mu^2) \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{ab}(\mu^2)$$
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\ln\mu^2} = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial f_a(x, \mu^2)}{\partial\ln\mu^2} = \sum_{j=g,q,\bar{q}} P_{a/j}(x, \mu^2) \otimes f_{j/p}(x, \mu^2)$$
$$xf_a(x, Q_0, \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}) = x^{a_1}(1-x)^{a_2}P_a(x)$$

- PDFs evolve with energy scale.
- With a given parametrized PDFs at Q_0 scale, the PDFs $f(x,\mu^2)$ is determined

 $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = f_a(x_1, \mu^2) \otimes f_b(x_2, \mu^2) \otimes \boldsymbol{\rho}_b(x_2, \mu^2) \otimes \boldsymbol{\rho}_b(x_2$

 $W \rightarrow \overline{V}$

p_{T,I} > 25 GeV

p_{T,v} > 25 GeV

m₇ > 40 GeV

$\hat{\mathbf{\sigma}}_{ab}(\mu^2)$

DIS



Drell-Yan

Total uncertainty

luminosity excluded (±1.8%)

ATLAS $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV, 4.6 fb⁻¹

lo/dhi [pb]

460

400

380

300

0.1 gt

360 - Data

🛨 ABM12

HERAPDF2.0

△ MMHT2014

NNPDE3.0

340 CT14

320 - V JR14

Jet





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Uncertainty Estimation of PDFs

2-dim (i,j) rendition of d-dim (~16) PDF parameter space



$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = f_a(x_1, \mu^2) \otimes f_b(x_2, \mu^2) \otimes \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_{ab}(\mu^2)$





W → I ⊽

p_ > 25 GeV

p, > 25 GeV

m, > 40 GeV













- PDFs are well determined in "middle-x" region: 10⁻⁴ ≤ x ≤ 0.4
- Region of x→1 and x→0
 are not experimental accessible.
- Rather large uncertainty for strangeness PDF, especially in large x region.

[Hou et al, 1912.10053]

- Earlier lattice calculations rely on operator product expansion, only provide moments $\langle x^n \rangle$, where $\langle x^{n-1} \rangle_q = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \, x^{n-1} q(x)$
- Ideally, x-dependent information of PDFs can be obtained by full moments.
- However, for higher moments, the operators mix with lowerdimension operators, only lower moments are reliable.



• The common feature of all the approaches to the lattice PDF calculations is that they rely to some extent on the factorization framework:

 $Q(x,\mu_R) = \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{dy}{y} C\left(\frac{x}{y},\mu_R,\mu_F\right) q(y,\mu_F),$ some lattice observable pDF we want to extract

- Two classes of approaches:
 - * generalizations of light-cone functions; direct x-dependence,
 - hadronic tensor; structure functions. \times
- Matrix elements: $\langle N | \bar{\psi}(z) \Gamma F(z) \Gamma' \psi(0) | N \rangle$ with different choices of Γ , Γ' Dirac structure and objects F(z).
 - * hadronic tensor K.-F. Liu, S.-J. Dong, 1993
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 - auxiliary scalar quark U. Aglietti et al., 1998 auxiliary heavy quark W. Detmold, C.-J. D. Lin, 2005 *
 - auxiliary light quark V. Braun, D. Müller, 2007 *
 - quasi-distributions X. Ji, 2013 *
 - "good lattice cross sections" Y.-Q. Ma, J.-W. Qiu, 2014, 2017 *
 - pseudo-distributions A. Radyushkin, 2017 *
 - **※ "OPE without OPE"** QCDSF, 2017

- [Cichy and Sato, 2020]
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Global analysis with moments from LQCD



Global QCD analysis of the quark transversity distributions receiving constraint from the average lattice value of g_{τ} [Lin et al, 1710.09858].

Potential impact of future lattice-QCD calculations in global unpolarized and polarized PDF fits [Lin et al, 1711.07916]

With the Lattice input in the format of moments, it is helpful on reducing PDFs uncertainty₁₅



• Lots of efforts on including x-dependent lattice calculation in global analysis have been made. [1907.06037, 2009.05522, 2010.00548, 2010.03996, 2204.00543]

• Unpolarized collinear PDFs receive more experimental measurements in global analysis; while the helicity and transversity PDFs receive rather less experiments.

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Despite constraints on *moments*, can Lattice input directly assist in unpolarized PDF determination through global analysis? Flavor separation is one of the most challenging tasks in QCD global analysis, specially in the strangeness sector which plays an important role in precision electroweak physics, such as the determination of the W mass.



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process probe the antistrangeness PDF.



Strangeness decomposition



- Noticeable tensions between the SIDIS di-muon data and the precision ATLAS 7 TeV Z/W data were found in global analysis.
- In MSHT20[Bailey, 2012.04684], it was concluded that allowing $s \neq \bar{s}$ at the Q₀ scale can release some of these tensions.

CT18As: CT18A allowing $s \neq \overline{s}$ at Q₀ = 1.3 GeV



Allowing strangeness not equal to antistrangeness, the CT18As, which is the CT18A with strangeness asymmetry, presents similar strangeness asymmetry as MSHT20 and NNPDF4.0.

- Both SIDIS di-muon and ATLAS 7 TeV Z/W data can constraint strangeness PDF.
- Are there any other data for determining the strangeness asymmetry?



From quasi-PDF to PDF



• Due to the large uncertainty in strangeness PDF from global analysis, lattice QCD calculation is able to provide more information.

 $\operatorname{Re}[h(z)] \propto \int dx \, (s(x) - \overline{s}(x)) \cos(xzP_z)$ $\operatorname{Im}[h(z)] \propto \int dx \, (s(x) + \overline{s}(x)) \sin(xzP_z)$

- MSULat/quasi-PDF method
- Clover on 2+1+1 HISQ
- 0.12 fm, 310 MeV QCD vacuum
- RI/MOM renormalization
- Extropolartion to $M_{\pi} = 140 \text{ MeV}$ 22



- Lattice QCD calculation provide prediction at 0.3 < x < 0.8, while the di-muon data constraint strangeness at 0.015 < x < 0.336.
- Lattice input improves the determination of strangeness asymmetry.
- LQCD can improve heavy flavor decomposition.

CT18As: CT18A with strangeness asymmetry at $Q_0 = 1.3$ GeV.

CT18As_Lat: PDFs with lattice input.

CT18As_HELat: PDFs with the lattice errors reduced by half.



Beyond heavy flavor decomposition, can Lattice input directly assist in reducing uncertainties of unpolarized PDFs through global analysis?

Uncertainty of Gluon PDF



Gluon PDF from Lattice QCD

Result from MSULat/quasi-PDF method



- $a \rightarrow 0$ fm, $M_{\pi} \rightarrow 135$ MeV and $a \approx 0.09$ fm, $M_{\pi} \approx 310$ MeV which represent the current and future levels of uncertainty.
- Good agreement with CT18 and NNPDF3.1

 $\mathcal{M}(\nu, z^2) = \int_0^1 dx \frac{xg(x, \mu^2)}{\langle x \rangle_a} R_{gg}(x\nu, z^2\mu^2)$

[Zhouyou Fan et al, 2210.09985]

• Gluon PDF xg(x) extra at 2 GeV

CT18 with Lattice input on gluon Work in progress



- Inclusion of lattice input in the CT18 global analysis has the potential to reduce its uncertainty.
- Here, a=0.00 fm case represents the current status, while a=0.09 fm case represents future potential.

CT18 with Lattice input on gluon



• The precision of the gluon PDF in the large-x region could potentially be improved by both incorporating jet data and lattice QCD input.

Work in progress

Besides reducing uncertainties of PDFs and improving heavy flavor decomposition, what else can we gain from Lattice QCD in assisting PDFs global analysis?



Besides reducing uncertainties of PDFs and improving heavy flavor decomposition, what else can we gain for better understanding of hadron structure from the collaboration between global analysis of PDFs and *lattice calculations*?

Gottfried sum rule

New Muon Collaboration[NMC PRL 66, 2712 (1991), PRD 50, R1 (1994)] first discover $\mathbf{u}\neq \mathbf{d}$, which violates the Gottfried sum rule.

$$S_G = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3} \int_0^1 dx \left(\bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x) \right) + O(\alpha_s^2)$$

The following experiments like HERMES[PLB387, 419 (1996)] and E866[PRD64, 052002 (2001)] also show preference of u - d flavor asymmetry.

Experiment	$\langle Q^2 angle$ (GeV ²)	$\int_0^1 [\bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x)] dx$
NMC/DIS	4.0	0.147 ± 0.039
HERMES/SIDIS	2.3	0.16 ± 0.03
FNAL E866/DY	54.0	0.118 ± 0.012

What is the origin of $\overline{u} \neq \overline{d}$?

• Euclidean path-integral formulation of the hadronic tensor predicts two kinds of sea partons: connected and disconnected



Hadronic tensor in Euclidean path-integral formalism versus Quasi-PDF from Lattice QCD

Path-Integral Formalism





Quasi-PDF from Lattice QCD

[Liu, 2007.15075]





Connected Insertion(CI) Disconnected Insertion(DI) 33

Lattice input to global fitting of PDFs

With only one input from Lattice QCD, the ratio of moments between u, d and s in disconnected insertion(DI), the connected and disconnected sea are distinguishable in global analysis.



Lattice result from overlap on Nf = 2 + 1DWF on 4 lattices, with one at physical pion mass [Liang et al, χ QCD, 1901.07526]

Connected and disconnected sea d.o.f. can be distinguished by assuming

$$u^{ds} = \bar{u}^{ds} = d^{ds} = \bar{d}^{ds} = Rs = R\bar{s},$$
³⁴

- Distinguish connected and disconnected flavor d.o.f. at $Q_0=1.3$ GeV in global analysis.
- The difference between \overline{u} and \overline{d} come from the connected sea contribution.



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 Direct comparison of all connected and disconnected parton moments between global analysis and lattice calculation instead of being limited to only u - d and s.

$$u^{+} - d^{+} = (u + \bar{u}) - (d + \bar{d}) = (u^{v + cs} + u^{ds} + \bar{u}^{cs} + \bar{u}^{ds}) - (d^{v + cs} + d^{ds} + \bar{d}^{cs} + \bar{d}^{ds})$$
$$\xrightarrow{CT18CS} (u^{v + cs} - d^{v + cs}) + (\bar{u}^{cs} - \bar{d}^{cs})$$
CT18 CT18CS

0.0287(25)

 $\langle x \rangle^*_{\bar{d}^{cs}}$

0.0197(70)

0.0364(34)

 $\langle x \rangle_{u^{ds}}^{\dagger}$

0.0167(49)

	$s^+ = s + \overline{s}$	$\bar{s} = s^{ds} + \bar{s}^{ds}$	$ds \xrightarrow{CT18CS} 2$	$2s^{ds}$	
	$Q = 2.0 {\rm GeV}$	V		Q = 1.3 GeV	
	CT18	Lattice		CT18CS	CT18
		0.111 - 0.	$209^{N_f=2+1}$		
$\langle x \rangle_{u^+ - d^+}$	0.156(7)	0.153 - 0.02	$194^{N_f=2+1+1}$	0.173(7)	0.175(8)
		0.166 - 0.	$212^{N_f=2}$		
$\langle x angle_{s^+}$	0.033(9)	0.051(26)	$(5)^{\ddagger}$	0.027(8)	0.027(10)
† Prog. Part.	Nucl. Phys., 1	121:103908, 20	021. ‡ Phys.	Rev. Lett., 121(2	21):212001, 2018
PDF	$\langle x angle_{u^v}$	$\langle x \rangle_{d^v}$	$\langle x \rangle_g$	$\langle x \rangle_{\bar{u}}$	$\langle x angle_{ar{d}}$
CT18	0.325(5)	0.134(4)	0.385(10)	0.0284(22)	0.0361(27)

0.384(12)

 $\langle x \rangle^*_{\bar{\mu}^{cs}}$

0.0120(64)

0.136(3)

 $\langle x \rangle_{d^{v+cs}}$

0.155(8)

CT18CS

CT18CS

PDF

0.323(4)

 $\langle x \rangle_{u^{v+cs}}$

0.335(7)

CT18		CT18CS
g	=	g
u^{ν}	=	u^{ν}
d^{v}	=	$d^{ u}$
ū	=	$\bar{u}^{cs} + \bar{u}^{ds} = \bar{u}^{cs} + Rs^{ds}$
$ar{d}$	=	$\bar{d}^{cs} + \bar{d}^{ds} = \bar{d}^{cs} + Rs^{ds}$
S	=	$\bar{s} = s^{ds}$

 $\langle x \rangle_s$

0.0134(52)

0.0137(39)

 $1.3 \, \mathrm{GeV}$

To be tested by
lattice calculation

Hadron Structure via PDFs Complementarity between Perturbative and Lattice QCD

- PDF global analysis requires a large amount of data to access hadron structure, but the resulting PDFs are inherently limited by the constraints of available experimental data.
- Lattice QCD provides constraints on hadron structures that are not experimentally accessible.
- Incorporating lattice QCD calculations into PDF global analysis has the potential to aid in heavy flavor decomposition.
- Utilizing lattice QCD results in global analysis could potentially reduce gluon uncertainty at large x.
- Incorporating connected and disconnected sea degrees of freedom within global analysis would help in better understanding the non-perturbative nature of hadron structure.
 Additionally, this would allow for direct comparison between lattice calculations and all separated connected and disconnected sea moments.

Thank you for your attention!