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# SpinQuest Experiment at Fermilab

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### NEW IDEAS FOR FUTURE PROJECTS

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## **Proton Spin**

How the nucleon's spin is built up from its quark and gluon constituents?



Xm

1987 - European Muon Collaboration DIS of polarized muon on polarized proton



 $u^{\uparrow(\downarrow)}$ : distribution of u quarks with spin parallel (antiparallel) to the proton spin

Fraction of the proton spin carried by (valence and sea) quarks:

 $\Delta\Sigma(Q^2 = 10 \text{GeV}^2) = 0.060 \pm 0.047 \pm 0.069$ 

consistent with zero!

based on the constituent quark model picture ( $\Delta s = 0$ ).

#### proton spin "crisis"

## **Proton Spin**

### How the nucleon's spin is built up from its quark and gluon constituents?



Gluon intrinsic AM is still under active investigation at the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider.

cannot account for the total proton spin.

## **Proton Spin**

#### Insight into OAM contribution and transverse momentum





• Experimental hints at OAM





significant azimuthal asymmetries, which are directly related to the transverse momentum of the partons

potentially large OAM

### **TMDs and Sivers function**

#### Transverse Momentum Dependent Parton Distribution Functions (TMD - PDFs)

The quark-quark correlator, in collinear configuration: 3 distribution functions

$$\Phi(x,S) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ f_1(x) \not h_+ + S_L g_{1L}(x) \gamma^5 \not h_+ + h_{1T} i \sigma_{\mu\nu} \gamma^5 n_+^{\mu} S_T^{\nu} \right]$$

Transverse single spin asymmetries should be small

TSSA for forward scattering MUCH LARGER than **naïve expectation** 



Partonic nucleon structure *beyond* collinear approximation

$$\Phi(x, \boldsymbol{k}_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ f_{1} \not h_{+} + f_{1T}^{\perp} \frac{\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}\gamma^{\mu}n_{+}^{\nu}k_{\perp}^{\rho}S_{T}^{\sigma}}{M} + \left( S_{L} \not g_{1L} + \frac{\boldsymbol{k}_{\perp} \cdot \boldsymbol{S}_{T}}{M} \not g_{1T}^{\perp} \right) \gamma^{5} \not h_{+} \quad \not h_{1T} i \sigma_{\mu\nu}\gamma^{5} n_{+}^{\mu}S_{T}^{\nu} + \left( S_{L} \not h_{1L}^{\perp} + \frac{\boldsymbol{k}_{\perp} \cdot \boldsymbol{S}_{T}}{M} \not h_{1T}^{\perp} \right) \frac{i \sigma_{\mu\nu}\gamma^{5}n_{+}^{\mu}k_{\perp}^{\nu}}{M} + \left( h_{1}^{\perp} \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu}k_{\perp}^{\mu}n_{+}^{\nu}}{M} \right]$$

TMD-PDFs: the leading-twist correlator, with intrinsic  $\mathbf{k}_{\perp}$ , contains 8 independent functions.

### **TMDs and Sivers function**

#### Transverse Momentum Dependent Parton Distribution Functions (TMD - PDFs)



Use Sivers function to map distribution of unpolarized quarks in 3D momentum space



- Distortions require wavefunctions to have component w/ non-zero angular momentum.
- Important constraints on nucleon models.

### **TMDs and Sivers function**

#### Sivers functions

Sivers function  $f_{1T}^{\perp}(x, \mathbf{k_T})$ : Describes the correlation between the transverse momentum direction of the struck quark and the spin of its parent nucleon.

$$f_{q/p^{\dagger}}(x, \mathbf{k_{T}}) = f_{q/p}(x, \mathbf{k_{T}}) + f_{1T}^{\perp}(x, \mathbf{k_{T}}) \mathbf{S_{P}} \cdot \left(\hat{\mathbf{p}} \times \hat{\mathbf{k_{T}}}\right)$$

$$S_{P} \cdot \left(S_{P} \cdot \left(p \times k_{T, \text{parton}}\right)\right) \neq 0$$

$$k_{T, \text{parton}}$$

$$p$$

... *k*<sub>T</sub> distribution of the partons could have an azimuthal asymmetry, when the hadron was transversely polarized. D. Sivers, Phys. Rev. D41 (1990) 83

#### spin-orbit correlation

- The existence of the Sivers function requires non-zero quark orbital angular momentum (OAM)
- There is no model-independent connection between the Sivers distribution and the size of the quark OAM, additional theoretical work is needed to provide a direct connection



## **Accessing Sivers function**

#### Polarized Semi Inclusive DIS

Polarized DY

 $A_{N}^{DY} \propto \frac{\sum_{q} e_{q}^{2} \left[ f_{1}^{q} \left( x_{1} \right) \cdot f_{1T}^{\perp,\bar{q}} \left( x_{2} \right) + 1 \leftarrow \rightarrow 2 \right]}{\sum_{q} e_{q}^{2} \left[ f_{1}^{q} \left( x_{1} \right) \cdot f_{1}^{\bar{q}} \left( x_{2} \right) + 1 \leftarrow \rightarrow 2 \right]}$ 

• L-R asymmetry in Drell-yan production

Ability to select valence or sea quark dominated

Cleanest probe to study hadron structure

• No Quark Fragmentation function

 $p^{\uparrow}$ 



$$A_{UT}^{\text{SIDIS}} \propto \frac{\sum_{q} e_q^2 f_{1T}^{\perp,q}(x) \otimes D_1^q(z)}{\sum_{q} e_q^2 f_1^q(x) \otimes D_1^q(z)}$$

- L-R asymmetry in hadron production
- Quark to Hadron Fragmentation function
- Valence-Sea quark: Mixed

#### "Modified-universality" of the "Sivers" function



## **Accessing Sivers function**

#### **Global Sivers Measurements**



JLab (2011), STAR (2016), COMPASS DY (2017)

- Recent global analyses utilize SIDIS+pp/ $\pi$ p data.
- Still statistics (and kinematics) limited.
- BIG questions about the sea!



HERMES (2020), COMPASS (2009),COMPASS (2015) JLab (2011)

#### Sensitivity to sea quarks Sivers functions



#### If non-zero, "smoking gun" for sea quark OAM





Most experimental data are focused on the valence region.

Uncertainties of the 'sea' quarks through global fitting became large relative to the 'valence' quarks.

### Critical to have experiments like SpinQuest that tackle the sea!

### Independent $\bar{u}$ and $\bar{d}$ Sivers functions: spin sensitive flavor asymmetry?

proton beam + transversely-polarized NH<sub>3</sub> (proton target) & ND<sub>3</sub> (neutron target): Drell-Yan processes in  $p + p^{\uparrow} \& p + d^{\uparrow}$ 

• Determine independently both the  $\bar{u}$  and  $\bar{d}$  Sivers functions contributions; something no other proposed experiment is able to do.

Combined analysis of TSSAs in  $p + p^{\uparrow} \& p + d^{\uparrow}$   $\implies$  Separation of  $\bar{u} \& \bar{d}$ 

• Polarized  $\bar{d}/\bar{u}$  ratio

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ight)$ 

Nature 590, 561-565 (2021)





Sivers function sign change

A direct QCD prediction is a Sivers effect in the Drell-Yan process that has the opposite sign compared to the one in semi-inclusive DIS:

$$f_{1T}^{\perp}\big|_{\rm SIDIS} = -\left.f_{1T}^{\perp}\right|_{\rm DY}$$

Bury et al, PRL 126, 112002 (2021)

Quote from Bury et al

... to clearly distinguish sign-flip/non-sign-flip scenarios, one needs the data with more substantial restrictions on the sea contribution, such as DY and kaon-production in SIDIS.

 $\begin{array}{c} 0.12 \\ 0.10 \\ 0.08 \\ \# \\ 0.06 \\ 0.04 \\ 0.02 \\ \hline 70 \\ 80 \\ 90 \\ 100 \\ 100 \\ 100 \\ 100 \\ 100 \\ 110 \\ \chi^2 \\ \end{array} \right) The set of the$ 

These results are in agreement with Anselminos et al, arXiv: 1612.06413

### Sign-change is preferred but not nearly confirmed!

Still statistics (and kinematics) limited

#### Beamline

- The Main Injector Beam will deliver 120 GeV protons (unpolarized).
- $\sqrt{s}$  =15.5 GeV
- 4.4 second spill ~10<sup>12</sup> protons
   OBuckets of 1 ns length with interval 19 ns (54 MHz)
  - Each bucket contains ~5,000 protons.
- ~10<sup>17</sup> protons delivered per year
- Highest proton intensity ever attempted on a solid polarized target.





### Target System

- Carbon fiber insert with 3 cells
- 140 GHz microwave source

Target uses Dynamic Nuclear Polarization.

 $\bigcirc$  Proton maximum polarization: 95%

 $\bigcirc$  Deuteron maximum polarization: 50%

- Ammonia beads (NH<sub>3</sub> or ND<sub>3</sub>)
- 5T Magnet

• 4He evaporation refrigerator: keeps target material polarized and Helium liquid.

 $\bigcirc$  3 W of maximum cooling power keeping the target at 1.1 K

- 17,000 m3/h pumps
- 3 NMR coils per cell





### Polarized Target

Given the small magnetic moment of the proton we can not reach a significant polarization just by using a large B field and a low T.

• At B = 5 Tesla & T = 1 K

$$P = tanh\left(\frac{\mu B}{kT}\right)$$

- Proton has small magnetic moment
  - $\mu_e\approx 660\mu_p$
- $P_e = \sim 98\%$ ,  $P_p = 0.51\%$
- Dynamic Nuclear Polarization
  - Dope target material with paramagnetic centers:

chemical or irradiation doping to just the right density (1019 spins/cm3)

- Polarize the centers: Just stick it in a magnetic field

- Use microwaves to transfer this polarization to nuclei: mutual electron-proton spin flips re-arrange the nuclear Zeeman populations to favor one spin state over the other





The disparity in relaxation times between the electron (ms) and proton (tens of minutes) at 1K is crucial to continue proton polarization.

#### Allows to achieve proton polarization of > 90%

Beam

#### Spectrometer

- Existing E906 (SeaQuest) Spectrometer.
- 2 Magnets
  - Focusing magnet (FMag)
  - Tracking magnet (KMag)
- 4 Tracking Stations ٠
  - Drift Chambers
  - Hodoscopes
  - Proportional Tubes



- Accurate Monte-Carlo description of data.
  - Origins of measured dimuons well understood.
- Dominated by Drell-Yan at M > 4.5 GeV.

### Momenta of detected muons are 40 GeV/c on average The projected event selection/reconstruction is expected to be the same for SpinQuest.



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#### Predicted sensitivity

- ➢ Beam (∽ 2.5%)
  - Relative luminosity (~ 1%)
  - Drifts (< 2%)
  - Scraping (∽ 1%)
- Analysis sources (~ 3.5%)
  - Tracking efficiency (~ 1.5%)
  - Trigger & geometrical acceptance (<2%)
  - Mixed background (~ 3%)
  - Shape of DY (∽ 1%)
- ➤ Target (~ 6-7 %)
  - TE calibration (proton ~ 2.5%; deuteron ~ 4.5%)
  - Polarization inhomogeneity (~ 2%)
  - Density of target (NH<sub>3(s)</sub>) ( $\sim$  1%)
  - Uneven radiation damage (~ 3%)
  - Beam-Target misalignment (~ 0.5%)
  - Packing fraction (~ 2%)
  - Dilution factor (~ 3%)
- Conditions
  - $^{\circ}\,$  Two years of data taking
  - $\circ$  NH3:ND3 = 50%:50% in time  $\circ$  Details in the E1039 proposal
- Transverse Single-Spin Asymmetry (TSSA)
  - $^\circ~$  Measurement precision  $\delta_{AN} \sim 0.04$



#### Setup



From beam down-stream

From target cave to beam-upstream

Setup



pumping power 17K m<sup>3</sup> per hour

#### Timeline

- 2018, March: DOE approval
- 2018, May: Fermilab stage-2 approval
- 2018, June: E906 decommissioned
- 2019, May: Transferred the polarized target from UVA to Fermilab
- Now: commission all components using cosmic rays
- Phase 1 of cryosystem commissioning completed
- Phase 2 (with polarized ammonia) September 2023
- E1039 commissioning starts in this Fall 2023
- [Run for 2+ years, 2023-2025+]

#### **Collaboration Members**

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### Summary

### SpinQuest Goals and Uniqueness

- SpinQuest is poised to provide critical insight:
  - For DY sign change compared to SIDIS process.
  - For the sea-quark Sivers function and sea-quark OAM.
  - For  $\bar{u}, \bar{d}$  flavor asymmetry sensitivity to spin.
  - For the comprehensive mapping of the Sivers function to come.
- Measurement of Sivers function for gluons ( $J/\psi$  TSSA)
- Perform the first measurement of the sea-quarks Sivers asymmetry in Drell-Yan p-p scattering.
- Separately measure the Sivers function for  $\bar{u}$  and  $\bar{d}$  quarks.
- Longest (along the beam-line) target cell to date for an evaporation fridge.
- Pushes the 120 GeV-proton-beam intensity frontier on a solid polarized target



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### **Gluons Sivers function**

J/ψ Production

- J/ψ is bound charm-anticharm pair, a "charmonium".
- Charmonia come from the quark-antiquark annihilation and gluon-gluon fusion partonic-level processes.
- The J/ψ meson can decay into bosons or dileptons, which we can detect in experiments.

#### **Access gluon Sivers functions**



RHIC-PHENIX  $\circ \sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}, \text{xF} \sim 0.1$ 

SpinQuest  $\circ \sqrt{s} = 15$  GeV, xF~0.5