

PROPERTIES OF DEUTERON ON THE LIGHT FRONT



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Overview



Motivation

Basis Light-Front Quantization (BLFQ)

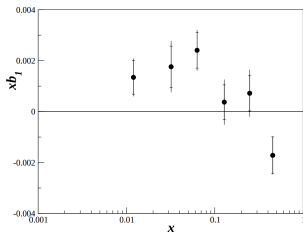
Extended Light-Front Holographic QCD approach

EM FFs and Structure Functions

Conclusion

Motivation

- Spin-1 composite systems provide **tensor structure functions**:
- Absent for spin-0 or 1/2 systems
- Gluon Transversity**
- Proposals to study the structure of deuteron: JLab (approved), Fermilab (proposal in 2022), EICs ...
- Largely unexplored field yet : can open a new field of spin physics



PRL 95, 242001 (2005)

PR12-13-011

The Deuteron Tensor Structure Function b_1

A Proposal to Jefferson Lab PAC-40
(Update to PR12-11-110)

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The Transverse Structure of the Deuteron with Drell-Yan

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Review

On the physics potential to study the gluon content of proton and deuteron at NICA SPD

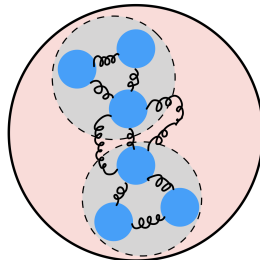
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Fock state expansion of the deuteron state

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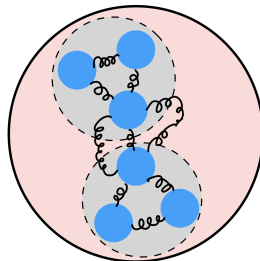
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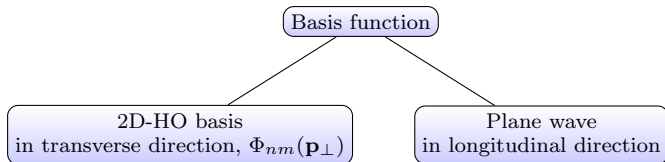
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- Parton's basis state is identified by $|\alpha_i\rangle = |k_i, n_i, m_i, \lambda_i\rangle$
- Many-body basis states are identified as the direct product of the Fock-particle basis states $|\alpha\rangle = \otimes |\alpha_i\rangle$.

Fock space truncation:

$$|\Psi\rangle_D = \psi_{6q} |qqq qqg\rangle + \psi_{6q1g} |qqq qqg g\rangle$$

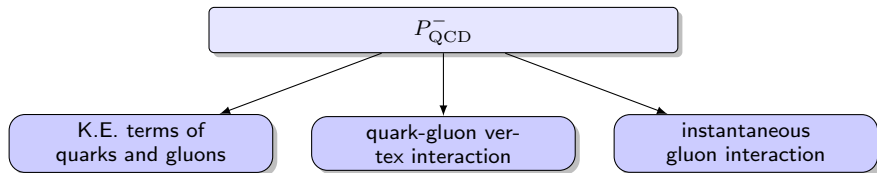
Basis truncation:

$$\sum_i (2n_i + |m_i| + 1) \leq N_{\max}$$

$$\sum_i k_i = K, \quad x = \frac{k_i}{K}$$

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LF Hamiltonian



Other interactions are absorbed into the involved parameters such as coupling constant and masses.

¹BLFQ Collaboration, J. Lan et al., PLB 825 (2022) 136890

²BLFQ Collaboration, Z. Zhu et al., PLB 839 (2023) 137808

Light-front QCD Hamiltonian

[Brodsky et al, 1998]



$$P_{-,LFQCD} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ \frac{(i\partial^\perp)^2 + m^2}{i\partial^+} \psi - \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x A_a^i (i\partial^\perp)^2 A_a^i$$

$$+ g \int d^3x \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu A^\mu \psi$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} g^2 \int d^3x \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu A^\mu \frac{\gamma^+}{i\partial^+} \gamma_\nu A^\nu \psi$$

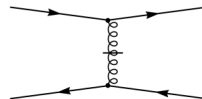
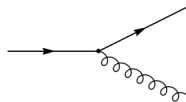
$$- i g^2 \int d^3x f^{abc} \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ T^c \psi \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} (i\partial^+ A_a^\mu A_{\mu b})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} g^2 \int d^3x \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ T^a \psi \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ T^a \psi$$

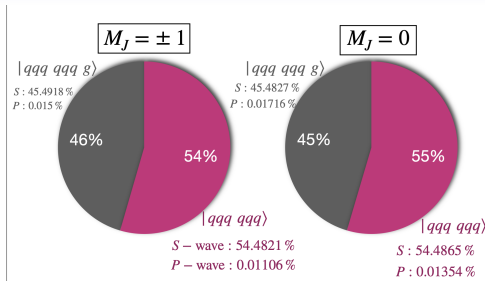
$$+ i g \int d^3x f^{abc} i\partial^\mu A^\nu A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} g^2 \int d^3x f^{abc} f^{ade} i\partial^+ A_b^\mu A_{\mu c} \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} (i\partial^+ A_d^+ A_{ve})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4} g^2 \int d^3x f^{abc} f^{ade} A_b^\mu A_c^\nu A_{\mu d} A_{ve}$$



¹S.J. Brodsky, H.C. Pauli, S.S. Pinsky, Phys. Rep. 301, 299-486 (1998)

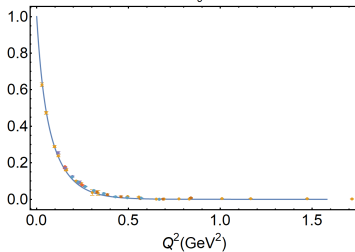
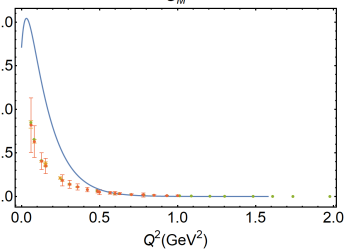
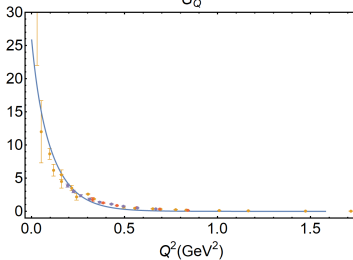


- Number of Color singlet states in $|qqq qqq\rangle$: 5
- Number of Color singlet states in $|qqq qqq g\rangle$: 16

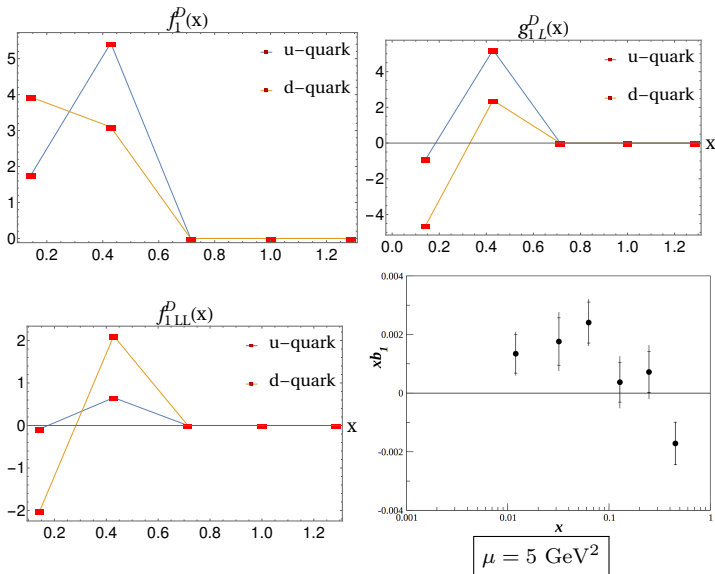
m_u	m_d	b	b_inst	g
1.0 GeV	0.95 GeV	0.32 GeV	5 GeV	3.9

$$N_{max} = 8; K = 7$$

EM Form Factors : Very preliminary results from BLFQ

*Charge FF* G_c *Magnetic FF* G_M *Quadrupole FF* G_Q 

Structure Functions : Very preliminary results from BLFQ



- Capability to achieve the gluon transversity.

Light-Front Schrödinger Wave Equation



- Light-front wave equation:

$$\left(\frac{m_p^2}{z} + \frac{m_n^2}{1-z} - \frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1-4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + U_{\text{eff}} \right) \chi(z) \phi(\zeta) = M_D^2 \chi(z) \phi(\zeta)$$

- Light-front wavefunction:

$$\Psi(z, \zeta, \varphi) = \frac{\phi(\zeta)}{\sqrt{2\pi\zeta}} e^{iL\varphi} X(z)$$

- $\zeta = \sqrt{z(1-z)} \mathbf{b}_\perp$, $X(z) = \sqrt{z(1-z)} \chi(z)$

$$\left(-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1-4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + U_\perp(\zeta) \right) \phi(\zeta) = M_{\perp D}^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

$$\left(\frac{m_p^2}{z} + \frac{m_n^2}{1-z} + U_\parallel(z) \right) \chi(z) = M_{\parallel D}^2 \chi(z)$$

- Assumption : $U_{\text{eff}} = U_\perp(\zeta) + U_\parallel(z)$; Masses : $M_D^2 = M_{\perp D}^2 + M_{\parallel D}^2$
- LFWF : $\Psi(z, \zeta) = \sqrt{z(1-z)} \chi(z) \phi(\zeta)$

¹S. J. Brodsky, G. F. de Teramond, H. G. Dosch, and J. Erlich, Phys. Rept. 584, 1 (2015)

Light-Front Holographic QCD : contains transverse dynamics



- Unique confining potential ¹: $U_{\perp}^{\text{LFH}}(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(J-1)$
- Meson mass spectra:

$$M_{\perp D}^2(n_{\perp}, J, L) = 4\kappa^2 \left(n_{\perp} + \frac{J+L}{2} \right) \quad ; \quad J = L + S$$

- Transverse part of the wave function:

$$\phi_{n_{\perp} L}(\zeta) = \kappa^{1+L} \sqrt{\frac{2n_{\perp}!}{(n_{\perp} + L)!}} \zeta^{1/2+L} \exp\left(\frac{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2}{2}\right) L_{n_{\perp}}^L(\kappa^2 \zeta^2)$$

- Transverse part of the deuteron LFWF in momentum space:

$$\Psi(z, k_{\perp}^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{z(1-z)}} \exp\left(-\frac{k_{\perp}^2}{2\kappa^2 z(1-z)}\right)$$

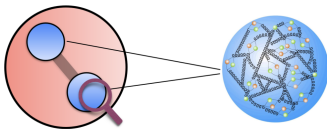
¹S.J. Brodsky, G.F. de Téramond, H.G. Dosh, J. Erlich, Physics Reports 584, 1 (2015)

The 't Hooft Equation : contains longitudinal dynamics



- Derived from the (1 + 1)-dim QCD Lagrangian in the large N_c limit ¹ :

$$\left(\frac{m_p^2}{z} + \frac{m_n^2}{1-z} \right) \chi(z) + \frac{g^2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int dy \frac{\chi(z) - \chi(Z)}{(z-Z)^2} = M_{\parallel D}^2 \chi(z)$$



- Extend to light nuclei

$$m_n = m_p = 0.8 \text{ GeV}; \kappa = 0.13 \pm 0.0065 \text{ GeV}; g = 0.5 \pm 0.025 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_D = \sqrt{M_{\perp D}^2 + M_{\parallel D}^2} = 1.80 \pm 0.09 \text{ GeV}$$

¹G. 't Hooft, Nucl. Phys. B 75 (1974) 461–470

²Phys. Lett. B 823, 136754(2021); Phys. Rev. D 104, 074013 (2021)

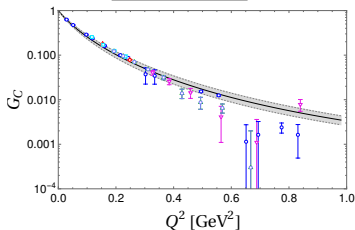
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⁴Phys. Rev. D 109, 094017 (2024)

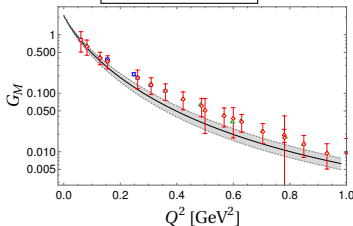
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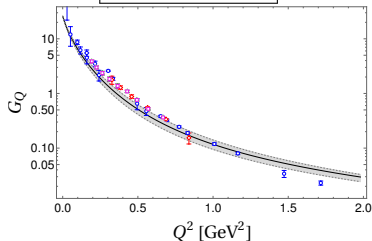
Charge FF



Magnetic FF



Quadrupole FF



$$G_C(0) = 1, \quad G_M(0) = M_D^2 Q_D = 25.83,$$

$$G_Q(0) = \frac{M_D}{M_N} \mu_D = 1.714$$

Charge radius:

$$\langle r_c^2 \rangle = -6 \lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{dQ^2} G_C(Q^2).$$

Deuteron charge radius: 2.09 ± 0.10 fm

Structure Functions



- Structure functions: $x \sum_f e_f^2 \{\text{PDF}\}^D(x, Q^2)$
 - PDF of deuteron at the level of its valence quarks

$$\{\text{PDF}\}^D(x, Q^2) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\text{nucleon}} \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} \mathcal{F}^{\text{nucleon}}(y) \otimes \{\text{PDF}\}^f\left(\frac{x}{y}, Q^2\right)$$

where $\mathcal{F}^{\text{nucleon}}$: nucleon longitudinal momentum distribution

- Nucleon longitudinal momentum distribution functions:

$$f_1^N(z) = \frac{1}{6} \left[P_{\uparrow}^1(z) + P_{\uparrow}^{-1}(z) + P_{\uparrow}^0(z) \right]$$

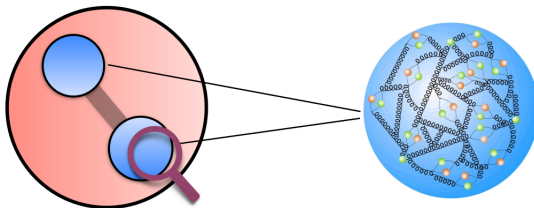
$$g_{1L}^N(z) = \frac{1}{4} \left[P_{\uparrow}^1(z) - P_{\downarrow}^1(z) \right]$$

$$f_{1LL}^N(z) = \frac{1}{4} \left[2P_{\uparrow}^0(z) - \left(P_{\uparrow}^1(z) + P_{\uparrow}^{-1}(z) \right) \right]$$

where $P_{\uparrow}^{\Lambda}(z) = \int d^2\mathbf{k}_{\perp} \sum_{\bar{h}} |\Psi_{\uparrow\bar{h}}^{\Lambda}(z, \mathbf{k}_{\perp})|^2$;

$$P_{\downarrow}^{\Lambda}(z) = \int d^2\mathbf{k}_{\perp} \sum_{\bar{h}} |\Psi_{\downarrow\bar{h}}^{\Lambda}(z, \mathbf{k}_{\perp})|^2$$

- $\{\text{PDF}\}^f @ Q^2 = 5 \text{ GeV}^2$ are obtained from NNPDF global fits.



$$\begin{array}{llll}
 F_2 & \rightarrow & f_1^N & \otimes & \text{unpolarized NNPDF} \\
 g_1 & \rightarrow & g_{1L}^N & \otimes & \text{helicity NNPDF} \\
 b_1 & \rightarrow & f_{1LL}^N & \otimes & \text{unpolarized NNPDF}
 \end{array}$$

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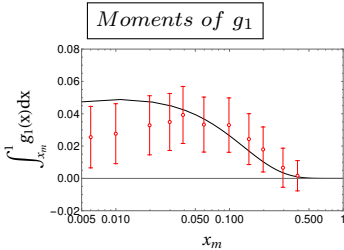
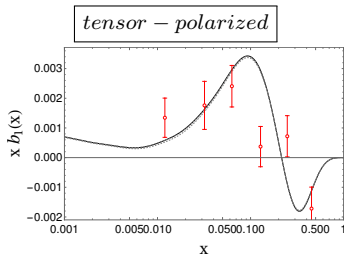
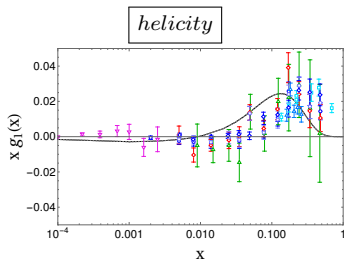
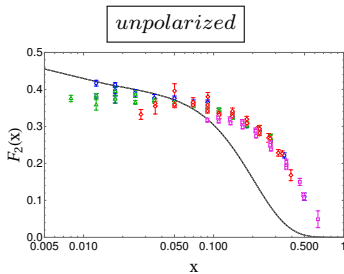
Convenient parametrization for deep inelastic structure functions of the deuteron

Hafsa Khan and Pervez Hoodbhoy

Department of Physics, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan

(Received 27 December 1990)

Structure Functions: Preliminary



¹ A. Airapetian, et al. (HERMES Collaboration), PRL 95, 242001 (2005)

Conclusion



- Deuteron, a lightest nuclei with spin-1, contains enriched information at the level of its partons.
- Showed some very preliminary results on deuteron structure functions from LF Hamiltonian approach.
 - Qualitatively consistent results.
 - able to achieve gluon transversity distribution.
 - able to study the color structure of deuteron.
- studied the deuteron structure functions using LF holographic QCD approach alongwith the 't Hooft Equation.
 - Reasonable consistency with the experimental data.



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Deuteron wavefunction

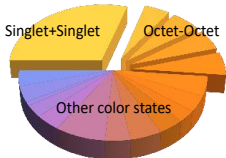
Eigenvalue equation: $P_{QCD}^- P^+ |\text{Deuteron}\rangle = M_D^2 |\text{Deuteron}\rangle$ where $M_D \sim 1.84 \text{ GeV}$

Hamiltonian in Light Front:
$$H_{K.E.} = \sum_i \frac{p_i^2 + m_q^2}{p_i^+}$$

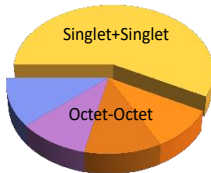
$$H_{Interact} = H_{Vertex} + H_{inst} = g\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu T^a \psi A_\mu^a + \frac{g^2 C_F}{2} j^+ \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} j^+$$

Fock sector expansion: $|\text{Deuteron}\rangle = \psi_{6q} |qqq qqq\rangle + \psi_{6q1g} |qqq qqq g\rangle$

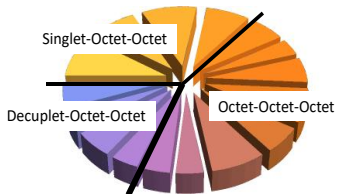
21 color state in total
(1 Singlet-Singlet + 4 Singlet-Octet-Octet + 16 others)



5 color states
(1 Singlet-Singlet + 4 Octet-Octet)



16 color states
(4 Singlet-Octet-Octet + 8 Octet-Octet-Octet + 4 Decuplet-Octet-Octet)



Light-Front Holographic QCD : contains transverse dynamics

$$LF(3+1) \longleftrightarrow AdS_5$$

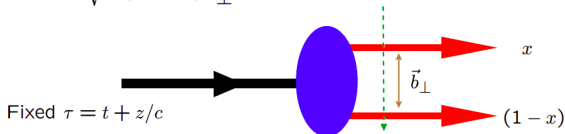
de Teramond, sjb



Light-Front Holographic Dictionary

$$\psi(x, \vec{b}_\perp) \longleftrightarrow \phi(z)$$

$$\zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \vec{b}_\perp^2 \longleftrightarrow z$$



$$\psi(x, \zeta) = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \zeta^{-1/2} \phi(\zeta)$$

$$(\mu R)^2 = L^2 - (J-2)^2$$

Light-Front Holography: Unique mapping derived from equality of LF and AdS formula for EM and gravitational current matrix elements and identical equations of motion

¹S.J. Brodsky, arXiv-hep:1611.07194