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Cool Facts about QCD and Nuclei

Did you know that ... ?

- If an atom was the size of a football field, the (atomic) nucleus would be about the size of the umpire.
- Despite its tiny size, the nucleus accounts for 99.9% of an atom's mass.

• Protons and neutrons swirl in a heavy atomic nucleus with speeds of up to some ³/₄ of c. More commonly, their speed is some ¹/₄ the speed of light. The reason is because they are "strong-forced" to reside in a small space.

• Quarks (and gluons) are "confined" to the even smaller space inside protons and neutrons. Because of this, they swirl around with the speed of light.





Cool Facts about QCD and Nuclei

- The strong force is so strong, that you can never find one quark alone (this is called "confinement").
- When pried even a little apart, quarks experience ten tons of force pulling them together again.
- Quarks and gluons jiggle around at nearly light-speed, and extra gluons and quark/anti-quark pairs pop into existence one moment to disappear the next.
- This flurry of activity, fueled by the energy of the gluons, generates nearly all the mass of protons and neutrons, and thus ultimately of all the matter we see.
- Even the QCD "vacuum" is not truly empty. Longdistance gluonic fluctuations are an integral part. Quarks have small mass themselves, but attain an effective larger mass due to the fact that they attract these gluonic fluctuations around them.
- Nuclear physicists are trying to answer how basic properties like mass, shape, and spin come about from the flood of gluons, quark/anti-quark pairs (the "sea"), and a few ever-present quarks.







Cool Facts about QCD and Nuclei

- A small fraction of the force between quarks and gluons "leaks out" of protons and neutrons, and binds them together to form tiny nuclei. The long-range part of this process can be well described as if protons and neutrons exchange pions.
- Nuclear physicists are only now starting to understand how this "leakage" occurs, and how it results in the impressive variety of nuclei found in nature.
- A nucleus consisting of some 100 protons and 150 neutrons can be the same size as one with 3 protons and 8 neutrons.
- Despite the variety of nuclei found in nature, we believe we miss quite some more. These are necessary to explain the origin of nuclei and the abundance of elements found in the cosmos.







Elementary Particles

- Protons, neutrons and electrons (**p**,**n**,**e**) build all the atoms.
- Proton and neutrons make up 99.9% of the visible mass in the universe.
- Dozens of new particles were discovered in the past century.
- Strong interaction: strength can be 100 times the electromagnetic one leptons ($e,\mu,\nu,..$): not involved in strong interaction hadrons [mesons(π ,K,...) and baryons(p,n,...)]: involved in strong interaction



QUANTUM ELECTRODYNAMICS (QED)

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi} \left(i \partial^{\mu} \gamma_{\mu} - m \right) \psi + e \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} \psi A_{\mu} - \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$$

where $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu} A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} A_{\mu}$

• \mathcal{L} unchanged under U(1) local gauge transformation

$$\psi(x) \rightarrow e^{i\alpha(x)}\psi(x) \qquad A_{\mu}(x) \rightarrow A_{\mu}(x) + \frac{1}{e}\partial_{\mu}\alpha(x)$$

$$e\,\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\psi\,A_{\mu}$$

is interaction between electron and photon





QUANTUM ELECTRODYNAMICS (QED)

Gauge theories are plagued by infinities



These can be absorbed in a well-defined way 'into the "renormalized" (measurable) couplings and masses

renormalization -> "running couplings"

e.g.

$$\alpha(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha(\mu^2)}{1 - \frac{\alpha(\mu^2)}{3\pi} \log\left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}\right)}$$

Running QED coupling



ELECTROWEAK THEORY

- one of the biggest achievements in the 20th century: electromagnetic and weak interactions unified based on gauge group SU(2) x U(1) (Glashow, Salam, Weinberg)
- cornerstone of the Standard Model

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}} \sum_{i} \frac{\psi_{i} \gamma^{\mu} (1 - \gamma^{5})(T^{+} W_{\mu}^{+} + T^{-} W_{\mu}^{-}) \psi_{i}}{\text{charged currents}}$$

$$\underbrace{e \sum_{i} q_{i} \overline{\psi}_{i} \gamma^{\mu} \psi_{i} A_{\mu}}_{i} \text{electromagnetic interaction}$$

$$-\frac{g}{2\cos\theta_{W}} \sum_{i} \overline{\psi_{i}} \gamma^{\mu} (g_{V}^{i} - g_{A}^{i} \gamma^{5}) \psi_{i} Z_{\mu}} \text{weak}_{\text{neutral current}}$$

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A FAMOUS EXAMPLE OF A RUNNING COUPLING





GLUONS AND QCD

- QCD is the fundamental theory that describes structure and interactions in nuclear matter.
- Without gluons there are no protons, no neutrons, and no atomic nuclei
- Gluons dominate the structure of the QCD vacuum

$$L_{QCD} = \sum_{j=u,d,s,\dots} \bar{q}_j \left[i\gamma^{\mu} D_{\mu} - m_j \right] q_j - \frac{1}{4} G^a_{\mu\nu} G^{a\mu\nu}$$



$$D_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} + ig_{\frac{1}{2}}\lambda^{a}A_{\mu}^{a}, G_{\mu\nu}^{a} = \partial_{\mu}A_{\nu} + \partial_{\nu}A_{\mu} + igf^{abc}A_{\mu}^{b}A_{\nu}^{c}$$

- Facts:
 - Unique aspect of QCD is the self interaction of the gluons
 - The essential features of QCD asymptotic freedom and (the emergent features) dynamical chiral symmetry breaking and color confinement - are all driven by gluons!
 - Mass from massless gluons and nearly massless quarks
 - Most of the mass of the visible universe emerges from quark-gluon interactions
 - The Higgs mechanism has almost no role here





QUANTUM CHROMODYNAMICS (QCD)

Gluons mediate the strong (color) force, just like photons mediate the electromagnetic force, but ... gluons interact with themselves ... which gives QCD unique properties





QCD Lagrangian: quarks and gluons

Nuclear Physics Model is an effective (but highly successful!) model using free nucleons and mesons as degrees of freedom.



QCD – impressive tool at high energies





QCD - CONTINUED





At small distance scales we have a Coulomb-like asymptotically free theory.

At larger distances we have a linear confining potential ~ 1GeV/fm.





Color Field: the field lines are compressed to vortex lines like the magnetic field in a superconductor



The Quest to Understand the Fundamental Structure of Matter





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New Recipes for Stopping Neutrons



Applications of Nuclear Physics

Detector Spin-Off Advances Patient Care

Nuclear physics detector technology developed to explore the structure of matter at Jefferson Lab leads to new and advanced tools for better patient care.

Tools for nuclear physics research: photomultiplier tubes, silicon photo multipliers, scintillator and detector electronics





Tools for better patient care:

Compact gamma camera for breast cancer detection

Hand held gamma camera to guide surgeons





Applications of Nuclear Physics

Proton Therapy for Cancer Treatment

Radiotherapy with a **proton accelerator** (up to 250 MeV) allows oncologists to design fine-tuned threedimensional cancer treatment plans.

Fundamental nuclear physics: Bragg peak determines proton energy loss = dose to patient

- Enables higher precision localized treatment
- Has fewer side effects due to reduced stray radiation outside the tumor region
- Nuclear physics technology to enable this includes simulation, beam transport, acceleration, dose monitoring, and more
- Jefferson Lab scientists have been instrumental in the design, construction and treatment plans at nearby Hampton University Proton Therapy Center, and other facilities.









Enabling Real Time Radiation Treatment Dosimetry

Nuclear physics detector technology incorporates real time dosimetry monitoring into radiotherapy cancer treatment procedures.

- Radiation treatment dose uncertainties can affect tumor control and may increase complications to surrounding normal tissues.
- The current standard of pre-treatment quality assurance measurement does not provide information on actual delivered dose to the tumor and can not predict all clinically relevant patient dose uncertainties.
- Nuclear scientists at Hampton University and Jefferson Lab developed real-time, in vivo, dosimetry technology.
- They use plastic scintillating detector (PSD) fiber technology with balloon-type patient organ immobilizers to measure real time dose delivery.



The OARtrac® system, built with detector technologies used in nuclear physics, has been cited as a 2018 R&D 100 Award Winner by R&D Magazine.



The Quest to Understand the Fundamental Structure of Matter





From 3D atomic structure to the quantum world

Atomic structure: dating back to Rutherford's experiment :



Discovery:
Tiny nucleus - less than 1 trillionth in volume of an atom
Quantum probability - the Quantum World!

□ Localized mass and charge centers – vast "open" space:

Molecule:





Rare-Earth metal

Nanomaterial:

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Not so in proton structure!

From 3D hadron structure to QCD

A modern "Rutherford" experiment (about 50 years ago):



ELECTRON SCATTERING

Electrons as probe of nuclear structure have some distinct advantages over other probes like hadrons or γ -rays:

- The interaction between the electron and the nucleus is known; it is the electromagnetic interaction with the charge ρ and the current J of the nucleus: V_{int} = ρφ + J.A, where φ and A are the scalar and vector potentials generated by the electron.
- The interaction is weak, so that in almost all cases it can be treated in the "one-photon exchange approximation" (OPEA), i.e., two-step processes (two-photon exchange) are small. One exception is charge elastic scattering of the Coulomb field of a heavy-Z nucleus.
- The energy (ω) and linear momentum (q) transferred to the nucleus in the scattering process can be varied independently from each other. This is very important, as for a certain |q| one effectively measures a Fourier component of ρ or J. By varying |q| all Fourier components can be determined and from these the radial dependence of ρ and J can be reconstructed.
- Because the photon has no charge, only the **J.A** interaction plays a role, leading to magnetic M_{λ} and electric E_{λ} transitions. In electron scattering, one can also have charge C_{λ} transitions.



ELECTRON SCATTERING – CONT.

Electron scattering has also some disadvantages:

• The interaction is weak, so cross sections are small, but one can use high electron beam currents and thick targets.

At Jefferson Lab, we can measure neutrino-like cross sections in a day or so.

• Neutrons are less accessible than protons, since they do not have a net electric charge.

Weak interaction can come to the rescue through parityviolating electron scattering.

 Because electrons are very light particles, they easily emit radiation (so-called Bremsstrahlung). This gives rise to radiative tails, with often large corrections for these processes.

This can pose limits for kinematics, if the radiative correction factor would become too large.



Electron Scattering Kinematics



Virtual photon \rightarrow off-mass shell $q_{\mu}q^{\mu} = v^2 - \mathbf{q}^2 \neq 0$

Define two invariants: 1) $Q^2 = -q_{\mu}q^{\mu} = -(k_{\mu} - k_{\mu}')(k^{\mu}-k'^{\mu})$ $= -2m_e^2 + 2k_{\mu}k'^{\mu}$ $(m_e \sim 0) = 2k_{\mu}k'^{\mu}$ (LAB) = 2(EE' - k.k') $= 2EE'(1-cos(\Theta))$ $= 4EE'sin^2(\Theta/2)$

only assumption: neglecting m_e²!!

2)
$$2Mv = 2p_{\mu}q^{\mu} = Q^2 + W^2 - M^2$$

Elastic scattering $\rightarrow W^2 = M^2 \rightarrow Q^2 = 2M(E-E')$



Use electron scattering as high-resolution microscope to peer into matter



Scattering probability or cross section





Electron Scattering at Fixed Q²





Electron Scattering at Fixed Q²



ELECTRON SCATTERING OFF POINT PARTICLES

$$k = (E, \mathbf{k}) \qquad k' = (E', \mathbf{k'})$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \qquad 3 \qquad d\sigma = \frac{1}{\rho_2 \rho_1 |v_1^{lab}|} |\mathbf{M}|^2 \frac{d^3 k'}{(2\pi 2^3 2E')} \frac{d^3 p'}{(2\pi 2^3 2E_{p'})} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{k'} - \mathbf{p'})$$

$$p = (M, \mathbf{0}) \qquad p' \qquad \text{Working out will render the so-called Mott cross section}$$



ELECTRON SCATTERING OFF COMPOSITE TARGET



FORM FACTOR



Amplitude at q: $F(q) = \int d\vec{r} A(\vec{r}) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}}$



Electron-Charge Scattering

Form Factors characterize internal structure of particles



Elastic cross section

$$\left(rac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}
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ight|^2$$

Form factor $F(q^2) = \int e^{iqx/\hbar}
ho(x) d^3x$

The form factor as a Fourier transformation of the charge distribution is a non-relativistic concept.



FORM FACTORS OF NUCLEI AT LOW ENERGY

Elastic scattering $\rightarrow W^2 = M^2 \rightarrow Q^2 = 2M(E-E') \rightarrow Q^2$ and v are correlated

$$d\sigma/d\Omega$$
 (and not $d\sigma/d\Omega dE$) = $\sigma_M F_0^2(q)$

- For a point charge with charge Z one has $F_0(q) = Z$.
- For a charge with a finite size $F_0(q)$ will be smaller than Z, because different parts of $\rho(r)$ will give destructive contributions in the integral that constitutes $F_0(q)$.
- Often one includes the factor Z in σ_M and not in F_0 , such that $F_0(0) = 1$.

$$F(q) = \frac{4\pi}{Zq} \int \rho(r) \sin(qr) r dr$$

Scatter from uniform sphere with radius R at low q: $sin(qr) = qr - (1/6)(qr)^3$

1st term disappears (charge normalization) 2nd term gives direct R_{RMS} measurement (for q low enough) At higher q pattern looks like slit scattering with radius R

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History: Charge Distributions



In '70s large data set was acquired on elastic electron scattering (mainly from Saclay) over large Q²-range and for variety of nuclei "Model-independent" analysis provided accurate results on charge distribution well

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described by mean-field Density-Dependent Hartree-Fock calculations

ELASTIC SCATTERING FROM A PROTON AT REST



Proton is on-shell $\Rightarrow (\omega + m)^2 - q^2 = m^2$ $\omega^2 + 2m\omega + m^2 - q^2 = m^2$ $\omega = Q^2/2m$


SCATTERING FROM A PROTON, CONT'D.





SCATTERING FROM A PROTON, CONT'D.

Vertex fcn:
$$\Gamma^{\mu} = \gamma^{\mu} F_{1}(Q^{2}) + i\sigma^{\mu\nu} \frac{q_{\nu}}{2m} \kappa F_{2}(Q^{2})$$

Dirac FF Pauli FF Pauli FF Game $G_{E}(Q^{2}) = F_{1}(Q^{2}) - \tau \kappa F_{2}(Q^{2})$
Sachs FF's $\begin{cases} G_{E}(Q^{2}) = F_{1}(Q^{2}) - \tau \kappa F_{2}(Q^{2}) \\ G_{M}(Q^{2}) = F_{1}(Q^{2}) + \kappa F_{2}(Q^{2}) \\ \text{with} \quad \tau = \frac{Q^{2}}{4m^{2}} \end{cases}$

 G_E and G_M are the Fourier transforms of the charge and magnetization densities in the Breit frame.



CROSS SECTION FOR EP ELASTIC





ELASTIC SCATTERING FROM A MOVING PROTON





For $E \approx m$: $\omega \approx (Q^2/2m) + p \cdot q/m$

If we "quasielastically" scatter from nucleons within nucleus:

Expect peak at: $\omega \approx (Q^2/2m)$ Broadened by Fermi motion: $p \cdot q / m$



QUASIELASTIC ELECTRON SCATTERING



R.R. Whitney et al., Phys. Rev. C 9, 2230 (1974).



History: Knock a Proton out of a Nucleus



Neglecting m_e: $Q^2 \equiv -q_{\mu}q^{\mu} = q^2 - \omega^2 = 4ee' \sin^2\theta/2$

Known: e and A + Detect: e' and $p \rightarrow$ Infer:

Missing momentum:

Missing mass:

 $\varepsilon_{\rm m} = \omega - T_{\rho} - T_{\rm A-1}$

 $p_{m} = q - p = p_{A-1}$



A(E,E'P)B (OR IN GENERAL ANY (E,E'H) REACTION)

Extracting the (e,e'p) cross section





CROSS SECTION FOR A(E,E'P)B





$$d\sigma_{\rm lab} = \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{m_e}{e} \sum_{if} \left| M_{fi} \right|^2 \left[\frac{m_e}{e'} \frac{d^3 k'}{(2\pi)^3} \right] \left[\frac{m}{E} \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \right] \\ \times (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 (P + P_{A-1} - Q - P_A)$$

where

$$M_{fi} = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{Q^2} \langle k' \lambda' | j_{\mu} | k \lambda \rangle \langle Bp | J^{\mu} | A \rangle$$

Current-Current Interaction



SQUARE OF MATRIX ELEMENT

$$\overline{\sum_{if}} |M_{fi}|^{2} = \left(\frac{4\pi\alpha}{Q^{2}}\right)^{2} \overline{\sum_{if}} \langle k'\lambda'|j_{\mu}|k\lambda\rangle^{*} \langle k'\lambda'|j_{\nu}|k\lambda\rangle$$

$$\times \overline{\sum_{if}} \langle Bp|J^{\mu}|A\rangle^{*} \langle Bp|J^{\nu}|A\rangle$$

$$W^{\mu\nu}$$



CROSS SECTION IN TERMS OF TENSORS





CONSIDER UNPOLARIZED CASE





$$W^{\mu\nu} = X_1 g_{\mu\nu} + X_2 q^{\mu} q^{\nu} + X_3 p_i^{\mu} p_i^{\nu}$$

+ $X_4 p^{\mu} p^{\nu} + X_5 q^{\mu} p_i^{\nu} + X_6 p_i^{\mu} q^{\nu}$
+ $X_7 q^{\mu} p^{\nu} + X_8 p^{\mu} q^{\nu} + X_9 p^{\mu} p_i^{\nu}$
+ $X_{10} p_i^{\mu} p^{\nu}$
+ (PV terms like $\varepsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} q_{\rho} p_{\sigma}$)
 X_i are the response functions



IMPOSE CURRENT CONSERVATION

$$S^{\nu} \equiv q_{\mu}W^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

$$T^{\mu} \equiv q_{\nu}W^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

Then $q_{\nu}S^{\nu} = 0, \quad p_{\nu}S^{\nu} = 0, \quad p_{i\nu}S^{\nu} = 0$
 $q_{\mu}T^{\mu} = 0, \quad p_{\mu}T^{\mu} = 0, \quad p_{i\mu}T^{\mu} = 0$

Get 6 equations in 10 unknowns 4 independent response functions



PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER ...

$$\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}^{6}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}\Omega_{\mathrm{p}}\mathrm{d}\rho\,\mathrm{d}\omega}\right)_{LAB} = \frac{pE}{\left(2\pi\right)^{3}}\sigma_{\mathrm{M}}\left[v_{L}R_{L} + v_{T}R_{T}\right]$$
$$+ v_{LT}R_{LT}\cos\varphi_{\mathrm{x}} + v_{TT}R_{TT}\cos2\varphi_{\mathrm{x}}\left[\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{2}\right]$$

4 structure (or response) functions for unpolarized (e,e'h) – this would have been 2 for (e,e').

$$\sigma_{\rm M} = \frac{\alpha^2 \cos^2 \theta/2}{4e^2 \sin^4 \theta/2}$$
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with

INCLUDING ELECTRON AND RECOIL PROTON POLARIZATIONS

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Many more structure (or response) functions for fully polarized} \\ & \left(\frac{d^6\sigma}{d\Omega_e d\Omega_p dp \, d\omega}\right)_{LAB} = \frac{pE}{(2\pi)^3} \sigma_M \{v_L(R_L + R_L^n S_n) + v_T(R_T + R_T^n S_n) \\ & + v_{LT} [(R_{LT} + R_{LT}^n S_n) \cos \varphi_x + (R_{LT}^l S_l + R_{LT}^t S_l) \sin \varphi_x] \\ & + v_{TT} [(R_{TT} + R_{TT}^n S_n) \cos 2\varphi_x + (R_{TT}^l S_l + R_{TT}^t S_l) \sin 2\varphi_x] \\ & + h v_{LT'} [(R_{LT'} + R_{LT'}^n S_n) \sin \varphi_x + (R_{LT'}^l S_l + R_{LT'}^t S_l) \cos \varphi_x] \\ & + h v_{TT'} [(R_{TT'} + R_{TT}^n S_n) \sin \varphi_x + (R_{LT'}^l S_l + R_{LT'}^t S_l) \cos \varphi_x] \\ & + h v_{TT'} [R_{TT'}^l S_l + R_{TT'}^t S_l] \end{aligned}$$
with $v_{LT'} = \frac{Q^2}{q^2} \tan \theta/2$ $v_{TT'} = \tan \theta/2 \sqrt{\frac{Q^2}{q^2} + \tan^2 \theta/2} \\ & \text{and other } v$'s defined as before



Plane Wave Impulse Approximation (PWIA)





THE SPECTRAL FUNCTION



THE SPECTRAL FUNCTION, CONT'D.

$$S(\vec{p}_{0}, \mathbf{E}_{0}) = \sum_{f} \left| \left\langle B_{f} \middle| a(\vec{p}_{0}) \middle| A \right\rangle \right|^{2} \delta(\mathbf{E}_{0} - \varepsilon_{m})$$

where $\vec{p}_{0} = -\vec{p}_{m}$ = initial momentum
 $E_{0} = E - \omega$ = initial energy
 ε_{m} = missing energy

Note: S is not an observable!



History: Visualizing the Shell Model







Proton Momenta in the nucleus







DEEP INELASTIC SCATTERING

Precision microscope with superfine control



 $Q^2 \rightarrow$ Measure of resolution

- \rightarrow Measure of inelasticity
- X → Measure of momentum fraction
 of the struck quark in a proton

Inclusive events: $e+p/A \rightarrow e'+X$ Detect only the scattered lepton in the detector

 $Q^2 = S \times y$

Semi-Inclusive events: $e+p/A \rightarrow e'+h(\pi,K,p,jet)+X$

Detect the scattered lepton in coincidence with identified hadrons/jets in the detector

Exclusive events: $e+p/A \rightarrow e'+p'/A'+h(\pi,K,p,jet)$ Detect every things including scattered proton/nucleus (or its fragments)



History: Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS) and the **Parton Model**

Deep Inelastic Scattering –

knock a nucleon apart



Parton Model :
Feynman; Bjorken, Paschos
$$\xi = a$$

(x = momentum)fraction)

 \rightarrow access through Structure Functions F₂ to Parton Distribution Functions

 $\mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{x}) = \sum \mathbf{e}_i^2 \mathbf{x} \mathbf{q}_i(\mathbf{x})$

Empirically, DIS region is where logarithmic scaling is observed $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^{2_0} W^2 > 4 \text{ GeV}^2$ Jefferson Lab

History: Structure Function by Different DIS Probes



• $F_2^{\mu D}$ μ DIS • $F_2^{(-)}N \times \frac{5}{18}$ ν DIS



The Classic Example

- Extending the scaling found by the venerable SLAC (electron scattering) experiment.
- Confirming the basis of the Quark-Parton Model: the expected 5/18 charge weighting works well.
- Logarithmic Scaling Violations as anticipated from a renormalizable field theory (QCD) are clearly shown, with both muon and neutrino probes.



21st Century View of the Fundamental Structure of the Proton

- Elastic electron scattering determines charge and magnetism of nucleon
- Approx. sphere with <r> ≈ 0.85 Fermi
- The proton contains quarks, as well as dynamically generated quark-antiquark pairs and gluons.
- The proton spin and mass have large contributions from the quark-gluon dynamics.







Proton Viewed in High Energy Electron Scattering: 1 Longitudinal Dimension



Lorentz Invariants

- $E_{CM}^2 = (p+k)^2$
- $Q^2 = -(k-k')^2$
- $x = Q^2/(2p \cdot q)$



 Viewed from boosted frame, length contracted by

$$\gamma_{Breit} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}}$$

- Internal motion of the proton's constituents is slowed down by time dilation – the <u>instantaneous</u> charge distribution of the proton is seen.
- In boosted frame x is understood as the <u>longitudinal</u> <u>momentum fraction</u> valence quarks: 0.1 < x < 1 sea quarks: x < 0.1

J. Bjorken, SLAC-PUB-0571 March 1969



High Energy Electron Scattering

Snapshots where 0 < x < 1 is the shutter exposure time





PARTON DISTRIBUTION FUNCTIONS (PDFS)

PDF q(x): probability that a quark (or gluon) has fraction x of proton's momentum





A GLUON PDF SURPRISE – 1990-2007

HERA collider at DESY (Germany)



Gives tremendous reach in measurements of F_2 structure functions. Result: the gluons start running wild...



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1 Longitudinal Momentum Distributions



A SEA QUARK PDFS SURPRISE ~ 1995





QCD



Small Distance High Energy Confinement

Large Distance Low Energy

Perturbative QCD High Energy Scattering





no signature of gluons??? Strong QCD Hadron Spectrum





The low- and high-energy side of nuclei

The Low Energy View of Nuclear Matter

- nucleus = protons + neutrons
- nucleon \leftrightarrow quark model
- (valence) quark model \leftrightarrow QCD

The High Energy View of Nuclear Matter The visible Universe is generated by quarks, but dominated by gluons! But what influence does this have on hadron structure?







MASS OF THE VISIBLE UNIVERSE

Gluon mass-squared function



the visible universe

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Emergent mass of

both emergent-mass and Higgs-mass generation mechanisms are important.

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The Structure of the Proton

Naïve Quark Model: proton = uud (valence quarks) QCD: proton = uud + uu + dd + ss + ... The proton sea has a non-trivial structure: $\overline{u} \neq \overline{d}$ & gluons are abundant



Non-trivial sea structure



The proton is <u>far more</u> than just its up + up + down (valence) quark structure

□ Gluon \neq photon: Radiates $\frac{1}{2}$

and recombines:





Nuclear Femtography – Subatomic Matter is Unique

□ Localized mass and charge centers – vast "open" space:

Molecule:



Crystal:



Rare-Earth metal



Interactions and structure are mixed up in nuclear matter: Nuclear matter is made of quarks that are bound by gluons that also bind themselves. Unlike with the more familiar atomic and molecular matter, the interactions and structures are inextricably mixed up, and the observed properties of nucleons and nuclei, such as mass & spin, emerge out of this complex system.

□ Not so in proton structure!





Nuclear Femtography - Imaging

In other sciences, imaging the physical systems under study has been key to gaining new understanding. \perp position \downarrow impulse

artons XP plane P+Structure mapped proton momentum in terms of \mathbf{b}_{T} = transverse position

 \mathbf{k}_{T} = transverse momentum

