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# Review on the theory of the Deep-Inelastic Scattering at small x

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#### Probing the hadron structure with lepton-hadron collisions



Small a high energies of the collisions

# **Deep-Inelastic Scattering**





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The spin-independent part of  $W_{\mu\nu}$  is parameterized by two structure

Projection operators respect Lorentz and gauge symmetries

$$q_{\mu}W_{\mu\nu} = q_{\nu}W_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

where p is the hadron momentum, q is the virtual photon momentum  $(Q^2 = -q^2 > 0)$ . Both of the functions depend on  $Q^2$  and  $x = Q^2/2pq$ , 0 < x < 1.

 $F_2 = 2xF_1$  in the Born approximation and  $F_2$  –

$$ightarrow 2xF_1$$
 at x  $ightarrow$  0

In the QCD framework, he spin-dependent part of  $W_{\mu\nu}$  is also parameterized by two structure functions:

$$W_{\mu\nu}^{spin} = \frac{m}{pq} i \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} q_{\lambda} \left[ S_{\rho} g_1(x, Q^2) + \left( S_{\rho} - \frac{Sq}{pq} p_{\rho} \right) g_2(x, Q^2) \right]$$

where m, p and S are the hadron mass, momentum and spin; q is the virtual photon momentum ( $Q^2 = -q^2 > 0$ ). Again both functions depend on  $Q^2$  and  $x = Q^2/2pq$ , 0 < x < 1. They measure asymmetries

 $g_1$  measures the longitudinal spin flip

$$g_1 \propto \sigma_{L\uparrow\uparrow} - \sigma_{L\uparrow\downarrow}$$

 $g_1 + g_2$  measures the transverse spin flip

$$g_1 + g_2 \propto \sigma_{T\uparrow\uparrow} - \sigma_{T\uparrow\downarrow}$$

FACTORISATON:  $W_{\mu\nu}$  is a convolution of the the partonic tensor and probabilities to find a polarized parton (quark or gluon) in the hadron :

![](_page_6_Figure_1.jpeg)

DIS off quark and gluon can be studied with perturbative QCD, with calculating involved Feynman graphs.

Probabilities,  $\Phi_{quark}$  and  $\Phi_{gluon}$  involve non-perturbaive QCD. There is no a regular analytic way to calculate them. Usually they are defined from experimental data at large x and small Q<sup>2</sup>, they are called the initial quark and gluon densities and are denoted  $\delta q$  and  $\delta g$ .

So, the conventional form of the hadronic tensor is:

![](_page_7_Figure_3.jpeg)

The Standard Approach includes the Altarelli-Parisi alias DGLAP alias Q<sup>2</sup>- Evolution Equations and the Standard Fits for initial paron densities

**Evolution Equations:** Altarelli-Parisi, Gribov-Lipatov, Dokshitzer

In particular,  $g_1$ :

![](_page_8_Figure_3.jpeg)

### DGLAP evolution equations

$$\frac{d\Delta q}{d\ln Q^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{qq} \otimes \Delta q + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{qg} \otimes \Delta g$$
$$\frac{d\Delta g}{d\ln Q^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{gq} \otimes \Delta q + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{gg} \otimes \Delta g$$

$$P_{qq}, P_{qg}, P_{gq}, P_{gq}$$
 are splitting functions

# Mellin transform of the splitting functions = anomalous dimensions

In DGLAP, coefficient functions and anomalous dimensions are known with LO and NLO accuracy, often at integer  $\omega = n$ 

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Each structure function has both the non-singlet and singlet components:  $F_1 = F_1^{NS} + F_1^{S}$   $g_1 = g_1^{NS} + g_1^{S}$ 

### For example, for the simplest case of the non-singlets $\mathbf{g}_1$ , $\mathbf{F}_1$

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![](_page_14_Figure_0.jpeg)

# DGLAP cannot do total resummation of logs of **x** because of the DGLAP-ordering – KEYSTONE of DGLAP

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providing the initial parton densities are not singular at small x

## from theoretical grounds:

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These logarithms are important at small x but DGLAP does include the total resummation of such logarithms, so the small-x region is beyond the reach of the Standard Approach In practice SA solves this problem through introducing singular fits for initial parton densities, they cause a fast growth at small x and thereby mimic the resummation Week point: no theoretical grounds

Altarelli-Ball-Forte-Ridolfi, Blumlein- Botcher, Leader- Sidorov-Stamenov, Hirai et al

In the literature, there are different fits for initial parton densities. For example,

$$\delta q = Nx^{-\alpha} \left[ (1 - x)^{\beta} (1 + \gamma x^{\delta}) \right]$$
  
$$\delta q = N \left[ \ln^{\alpha} (1 / x) + \gamma x \ln^{\beta} (1 / x) \right]$$

Altarelli-Ball-Forte-Ridolfi,

Parameters  $N, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  should be fixed from experiment

Alternative, Straightforward Way: Total resummation of leading logs of x

# Spin-independent structure functions at small x

no model-independent results. The most popular models are using BFKL Pomeron

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#### The way to use BFKL Pomeron

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BFKL pomeron = total resummation of leading logarithms of s

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## **Derivation of BFKL**

**Step 1:** amplitudes 2 -> 2 + in the multi-Regge kinematics

![](_page_22_Figure_2.jpeg)

BFKL Pomeron sums up leading logarithms, although approximately

### **APPROXIMATIONS:**

1. Intermediate particles are in the multi- Regge kinematics (LO) or in the quasi multi-Regge kinematics (NLO)

2.  $\alpha_{\rm s}$  is fixed either at unknown scale (LO) or the scale is set in a model-dependent way (NLO)

NLO corrections are too great to neglect NNLO etc - NO END

BFKL Pomeron predicts the Regge behavior for  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  at x <<1

$$F_1 \sim \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{1+\Delta_P}$$
,  $F_2 \sim 2xF_1$  Pomeron  
intercept

Value of the BFKL intercept  
Leadingorder 
$$\Delta_P^{LO} = (4N\alpha_s / \pi) \ln 2$$
  
 $= 3.8\alpha_s \sim 0.5$ ,  
Non-leading  $\Delta_P^{NLO} = 0.08$   
Fadin-Kuraev-Lipatov

![](_page_24_Figure_1.jpeg)

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It is difficult to discriminate between BFKL and DGLAP at the present state of experiment, all hopes for LHC

# **Polarized DIS**

$$g_1^{LL} \sim (1/x)^{\Delta} (Q^2/\mu^2)^{\Delta/2}$$
  
Resummation of Leading Logarithms

Bartels- Ermolaev-Manaenkov-Ryskin, Ermolaev-Greco-Troyan

whereas DGLAP predicts

$$g_1^{DGLAP} \sim \exp \left[\ln(1/x)\ln \ln \left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}\right)\right]^{1/2}$$

Obviously 
$$g_1^{LL} >> g_1^{DGLAP}$$
 when  $x \rightarrow 0$ 

![](_page_27_Figure_0.jpeg)

Arguments in favor of the Q<sup>2</sup>- parameterization:

Amati-Bassetto-Ciafaloni-Marchesini - Veneziano; Dokshitzer-Shirkov

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Obviously, this parameterization and the DGLAP one converge when x is large but differ a lot at small x

So, for studying  $g_1$  in the small-x region, it is necessary to do:

- 1. Total resummation of logs of **x**
- 2. New parameterization of the QCD coupling

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As value of the cut-off is not fixed, one can evolve the structure functions with respect to  $\mu$  the name of the method:

# Infra-Red Evolution Equations (IREE)

Quark-quark scattering amplitudes

Highlights of the history of the method

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Analyses of two-particle cuts in Regge kinematics Gribov

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Factorization of photons with small transverse momenta Gribov Infrared cut-off in the transverse momentum space Lipatov

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QCD inelastic processes in Regge kinematics **Ermolaev-Lipatov** Applications to Polarized Deep-Inelastic scattering **Bartels-Ermolaev** -Manaenkov-Ryskin- Greco-Troyan

**Kirschner-Lipatov** 

#### Expression for the non-singlet $g_1$ at large $Q^2$ : $Q^2 >> 1$ GeV<sup>2</sup>

![](_page_31_Figure_1.jpeg)

New coefficient function and anomalous dimension sum up leading logarithms to all orders in  $\alpha_{\rm s}$ 

#### Compare our non-singlet anomalous dimension to the LO DGLAP one:

![](_page_32_Figure_1.jpeg)

# Compare our coefficient function and the NLO DGLAP one

$$C = \frac{\omega}{\omega - H(\omega)} = 1 + \frac{A(\omega)C_F}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{\omega^2} + \frac{1}{2\omega} \right] + \dots$$
coincide, save the treatment of  $\alpha_s$ 

$$C_{NS}^{DGLAP} = 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)C_F}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{2n} + \frac{1}{2n+1} - \frac{9}{2} + \left( \frac{3}{2\pi} - \frac{1}{n(1+n)} \right) S_1(n) + S_1^2(n) - S_2(n) \right]$$
when n < 1
$$\approx \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)C_F}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{2n} + \frac{1}{2n} + \frac{1}{2n} + O(n) \right]$$

# Expression for the singlet $g_1$ at large $Q^2$ :

$$g_{1}^{S} = \frac{\langle e_{q}^{2} \rangle}{2} \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{\omega}$$

$$\left[ \left(C_{q}^{(+)} \delta q + C_{q}^{(+)} \delta g\right) \left(\frac{Q^{2}}{\mu^{2}}\right)^{\Omega^{(+)}} + \left(C_{q}^{(-)} \delta q + C_{q}^{(-)} \delta g\right) \left(\frac{Q^{2}}{\mu^{2}}\right)^{\Omega^{(-)}} \right]$$
Large Q<sup>2</sup> means
$$\Omega^{(+)} > \Omega^{(-)}$$

$$Q^{2} > \mu^{2}; \ \mu \approx 5 \text{ GeV}$$

Small –x symptotics of  $g_1$ : when  $x \rightarrow 0$ , the saddle-point method leads to

$$g_1^{NS} \sim \frac{e_q^2}{2} (1/x)^{\Delta_{NS}} (Q^2/\mu^2)^{\Delta_{NS}/2} \delta q$$

Nonsinglet intercept

$$\Delta_{\rm NS} = 0.42$$

At large x,  $g_1^{NS}$  and  $g_1^{S}$  are positive

![](_page_35_Picture_5.jpeg)

Asymptotics of the singlet  $\mathbf{g}_1$  are more involved

$$g_{1}^{S} \sim \frac{\langle e_{q}^{2} \rangle}{2} S(\Delta_{S}) (1 / x)^{\Delta_{S}} (Q^{2} / \mu^{2})^{\Delta_{S} / 2}$$
With intercept  $\Delta_{S} = 0.86$ 
and  $S(\Delta_{S}) = -\delta q - 0.064 \ \delta g$ 
Interplay between the quark and gluon densities can lead to different sign of  $g_{1}$  singlet at x<<1

Warning: asymptotic expressions  $g_1 \sim (1/x)^{\Delta}$  are reliable at x<10-5

Obtaining intercepts: Plot  $\omega_0 = \omega_0(\mu)$ 

![](_page_37_Figure_1.jpeg)

At large x,  $g_1$  singlet is positive . When x--> 0, the sign of asymtpotics of the singlet  $g_1$  depends on the ratio between the initial parton densities

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#### Anatomy of the singlet intercept

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Comparison of our results to DGLAP at finite x -no asymptotic formulae used

Comparison depends on the assumed shape of initial parton densities.

The simplest option: use the bare quark input

![](_page_40_Figure_3.jpeg)

Numerical comparison shows that the impact of the total resummation of logs of x becomes quite sizable at x = 0.05 approx.

PUZZLE: DGLAP should have Failed at x < 0.05. However, it does not take place. **SOLUTION TO PUZZLE:** consider in more detail standard fits for initial parton densities

![](_page_41_Figure_1.jpeg)

parameters 
$$\alpha \approx 0.58$$
,  $\beta \approx 2.7$ ,  $\gamma \approx 34.3$ ,  $\delta \approx 0.75$ 

are fixed from fitting experimental data at large x

#### In the Mellin space this fit is

![](_page_42_Figure_1.jpeg)

shows that the singular factor in the DGLAP fit mimics the total resummation of  $\ln(1/x)$ . However, the value  $\alpha = 0.58$  sizably differs from our non-singlet intercept =0.4

Although our and DGLAP asymptotics lead to the x- behavior of Regge type, they predict different intercepts for the x- dependence and different  $Q^2$  -dependence:

![](_page_43_Figure_1.jpeg)

Common opinion: the total resummation is not relevant at available x Actually: the resummation has always been accounted for through the standard fits, however without realizing it **Common opinion:** fits for  $\delta q$  are singular but defined and large x, then convoluting them with coefficient functions weakens the singularity

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# Unified description of g<sub>1</sub> in Regions A&B: large Q<sup>2</sup> and arbitrary x:

![](_page_46_Picture_1.jpeg)

our approach

Good at large x because includes exact two-loop calculations but bad at small x as it lacks the total resummaion of ln(x)

Good at small x , includes the total resummaion of In(x) but bad at large x because neglects some contributions essential in this region

WAY OUT – interpolation expressions combining our approach and DGLAP

- 1. Expand our formulae for coefficient functions and anomalous dimensions into series in the QCD coupling
- 2. Replace the first- and second- loop terms of the expansion by corresponding DGLAP –expressions

![](_page_47_Figure_0.jpeg)

First tems of their expansions into the perturbation series

$$H_1 = \frac{A(\omega)C_F}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{\omega} + \frac{1}{2} \right] \quad C_1 = \frac{A(\omega)C_F}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{\omega^2} + \frac{1}{2\omega} \right]$$

New formulae combine Resummation and DGLAP:

$$H_{C} = H_{LL} - H_{1} + H_{LO DGLAP} \quad C_{C} = C_{LL} - C_{1} + C_{LO DGLAP}$$

formulae for the singlet anomalous dimensions and coefficient functions are written quite similarly

No singular parton densities are required

# Region C: small x and small Q<sup>2</sup>

At  $Q^2 >> \mu^2 g_1$  depends on  $Q^2$  through logarithms:

$$g_{1}^{NS} = \frac{e_{q}^{2}}{2} \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{\omega} \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega - H(\omega)}\right) \delta q(\omega) \left(\frac{Q^{2}}{\mu^{2}}\right)^{H(\omega)}$$

$$= \sum_{k} \ln^{k} \left(Q^{2} / \mu^{2}\right) C_{k}(x)$$
resummation of leading ln(x)
At Q<sup>2</sup> <  $\mu^{2}$  g<sub>1</sub> depends on Q<sup>2</sup> through powers:
$$g_{1}^{NS} = \sum_{k} \left(Q^{2} / \mu^{2}\right)^{k} C_{k}(x)$$
again resummation of leading ln(x)

Description of  $g_1$  in Region C: small  $Q^2$  and small x:

Generalization of our previous results through the shift

![](_page_49_Figure_2.jpeg)

Similar shifts have been used for DIS structure functions by many authors, however from phenomenological considerations. We do It from analysis of the involved Feynman graphs

## It leads to new expressions: non-singlet $g_1$ at small x and arbitrary $Q^2$

![](_page_50_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_51_Figure_0.jpeg)

Thus, we arrive at universal and model-independent description of  $g_1$  at arbitrary  $Q^2$  and x without singular fits:

![](_page_52_Figure_0.jpeg)

expression for the singlet  $g_1$  is written quite similarly

### Main impact on $g_1$ in Regions A,B,C,D comes from:

![](_page_53_Figure_1.jpeg)

# Recent applications of our approach to:

- 1. COMPASS results
- 2. Power Q<sup>2</sup>-corrections

![](_page_55_Picture_0.jpeg)

Taken from wwwcompass.cern.ch

COMPASS is a high-energy physics experiment at the Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS) at <u>CERN</u> in Geneva, Switzerland. The purpose of this experiment is the study of hadron structure and hadron spectroscopy with high intensity muon and hadron beams. On February 1997 the experiment was approved conditionally by CERN and the final Memorandum of Understanding was signed in September 1998. The spectrometer was installed in 1999 - 2000 and was commissioned during a technical run in 2001. Data taking started in summer 2002 and continued until fall 2004. After one year shutdown in 2005, COMPASS will resume data taking in 2006. Nearly 240 physicists from 11 countries and 28 institutions work in COMPASS COMPASS

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#### **COmmon Muon Proton Apparatus for Structure and Spectroscopy**

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![](_page_56_Picture_4.jpeg)

Small Q<sup>2</sup>  
Singlet g<sub>1</sub>

$$g_{1}^{S} = \frac{\langle e_{q}^{2} \rangle}{2} \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{1}{z+x}\right)^{\omega} \left[C_{q} \delta q + C_{g} \delta g\right]$$

$$z = \frac{\mu^{2}}{2pq},$$

$$x = \frac{Q^{2}}{2pq},$$

$$x = \frac{Q^{2}}{2pq},$$

$$C_{g} = C_{g}^{(+)} \left(\frac{\mu^{2} + Q^{2}}{\mu^{2}}\right)^{\Omega^{(+)}} + C_{g}^{(-)} \left(\frac{\mu^{2} + Q^{2}}{\mu^{2}}\right)^{\Omega^{(-)}}$$

$$C_{q} = C_{q}^{(+)} \left(\frac{\mu^{2} + Q^{2}}{\mu^{2}}\right)^{\Omega^{(+)}} + C_{q}^{(-)} \left(\frac{\mu^{2} + Q^{2}}{\mu^{2}}\right)^{\Omega^{(-)}}$$
when  $Q^{2} << \mu^{2}$  both x- and Q<sup>2</sup>- dependences are flat, even for x<<1.
$$g_{1}$$

$$\int_{q_{1}}^{q}$$

$$\int_{q_{2}}^{q} \frac{1}{2} \int_{q_{2}}^{q} \frac{1}{2}$$

$$g_1(z) = \left(\frac{e_q^2}{2}\right)_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^{\omega} \left[C_q(\omega)\delta q + C_g(\omega)\delta g\right]$$

#### Approximating

![](_page_58_Figure_2.jpeg)

# Power Corrections to non-singlet g<sub>1</sub>

![](_page_59_Figure_1.jpeg)

Standard way of obtaining PC from experimental data at small x: Leader-Stamenov- Sidorov

Compare experimental data to predictions of the Standard Approach and assign the discrepancy to the impact of PC

 $g_1^{LT} = g_1^{DGLAP}$ 

#### Counter-argument:

- 1. DGLAP, the main ingredient of SA, is theoretically unreliable at small x, so comparing experiment to it is not so productive: it proves nothing
- 2. SA cannot explain why PC appear at Q<sup>2</sup> > 1 GeV<sup>2</sup> only and predict what happens at smaller Q<sup>2</sup>

Our approach can do it:

$$g_{1}^{NS} = \frac{e_{q}^{2}}{2} \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{W}{\mu^{2} + Q^{2}}\right)^{\omega}$$
$$C(\omega) \delta q(\omega) \left(\frac{\mu^{2} + Q^{2}}{\mu^{2}}\right)^{H(\omega)}$$

where w = 2pq and Q<sup>2</sup> can be large or small,  $\mu$  = 1 GeV

 $\mu = 1 \text{ GeV}$ , so when  $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ , expansion into power series is:

$$g_{1}^{NS} = \frac{e_{q}^{2}}{2} \int \frac{d \omega}{2 \pi i} \left(\frac{w}{\mu^{2}}\right)^{\omega} C(\omega) \delta q(\omega)$$

$$\left[1 + \sum_{k=1}^{N} T_{k}(\omega) \left(\frac{Q}{\mu^{2}}\right)^{k}\right]$$
Power corrections
Leading contribution for  $g_{1}^{NS}$ 
does not depend on  $Q^{2}$ 

## At $Q^2 > 1$ GeV<sup>2</sup> expansion into series is different:

![](_page_62_Figure_1.jpeg)

These Power Corrections have perturbative origin and should be accounted in the first place. Only AFTER THAT one can reliable estimate a genuine impact of higher twist contributions

# Conclusion

### **Standard Approach**

DGLAP was originally developed for operating at the region where both x and Q<sup>2</sup> are large. Basic ingredients of the DIS structure functions – coefficient functions and splitting functions (anomalous dimensions) are calculated in DGLAP in the first and second loops. By construction, DGLAP describes the Q<sup>2</sup>-evolution but cannot describe the x-evolution. Accounting for the xevolution is especially important in the small-x region.

In order to extend DGLAP to the region of small x and large  $Q^2$ , it have been complemented with rather complicated expressions for the initial parton densities  $\delta q$  and  $\delta g$  found from fitting experimental data.

DGLAP + Standard fits form Standard Approach (SA). SA describes DIS at large Q<sup>2</sup> and arbitrary x.

#### Alternatives to SA

Unpolarized DIS: No model-independent description. Models involve either phenomenological Pomerons or BFKL. Both LO and NLO BFKL intercepts are positive. They violate both the untiarity and Froissar bound. It is urgent to calculate NNLO corrections to the intercept

# As the Pomeron intercept is small, it is difficult to discriminate between these approaches

**Polarized DIS:** 

Model-independent description of  $g_1$  combines total resummation of leading logarithmic contributions, DGLAP expressions, and shift of  $Q^2$ . It represents  $g_1$  at arbitrary x and  $Q^2$ .

DGLAP agrees with experimental data only when special expressions for initial parton densities are used. They include singular factors, though DGLAP offers no theoretical explanation of the origin of the factors

Actually, the singular factors mimic total resummation of leading logarithms When the resummatiion is accounted for, the expressions for initial parton densities can be simplified down to constants