

Sivers effect on the single transverse-spin asymmetries in J/ψ production in the collinear pQCD approach

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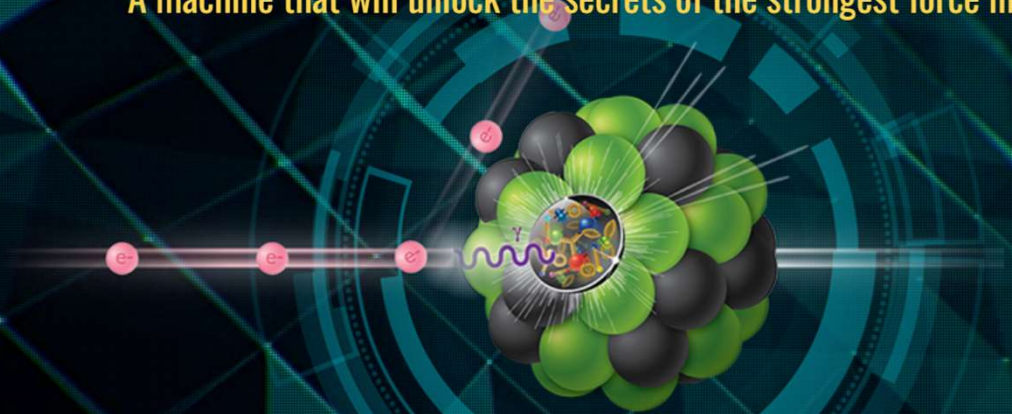
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The diagram illustrates the Electron-Ion Collider (EIC) concept. It features a central nucleus composed of protons (red) and neutrons (black). An electron beam, represented by a horizontal line with pink circles labeled 'e-', is shown colliding with the nucleus. A wavy purple line represents the strong force between the electron and the nucleus. The background is a dark blue grid with glowing green and blue lines, suggesting a high-tech or scientific environment.

The computers and smartphones we use every day depend on what we learned about the atom in the last century. All information technology—and much of our economy today—relies on understanding the electromagnetic force between the atomic nucleus and the electrons that orbit it. The science of that force is well understood but we still know little about the microcosm within the protons and neutrons that make up the atomic nucleus. That's why Brookhaven Lab is building a new machine—an Electron-Ion Collider, or EIC—to look *inside* the nucleus and its protons and neutrons.

The EIC will be a particle accelerator that collides electrons with protons and nuclei to produce snapshots of those particles' internal structure—like a CT scanner for atoms. The electron beam will reveal the arrangement of the quarks and gluons that make up the protons and neutrons of nuclei. The force that holds quarks together, carried by the gluons, is the strongest force in Nature. The EIC will allow us to study this “strong nuclear force” and the role of gluons in the matter within and all around us. What we learn from the EIC could power the technologies of tomorrow.

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Why 3D?

It has been confirmed in experiments that quark's and gluon's spin contributions are not sufficient

How can we access the orbital angular momenta ?

• Canonical OAM

C. Lorce and B. Pasquini, Phys. Rev. D84, 014015 (2011)

classical \longrightarrow quantum

Y. Hatta, Phys. Lett. B708 (2012)

$$L_z = (\vec{r}_\perp \times \vec{p}_\perp)_z$$

$$L_q^z = \int dx \int d^2 b_T \int d^2 k_T (\vec{b}_T \times \vec{k}_T)_z f_q(x, \vec{k}_T, \vec{b}_T)$$

$f_q(x, \vec{k}_T, \vec{b}_T)$: Wigner distribution

• Mechanical OAM

$$J^q = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 dx x \left(H^q(x, 0, 0) + E^q(x, 0, 0) \right)$$

model relation

M. Burkardt, PRD 66(2002) S. Meissner, A. Metz and K. Goeke, PRD76(2007)

$$\underline{f_{1T}^{\perp(0)q}(x)} = -L(x) E^q(x, 0, 0) \quad L(x): \text{model function}$$

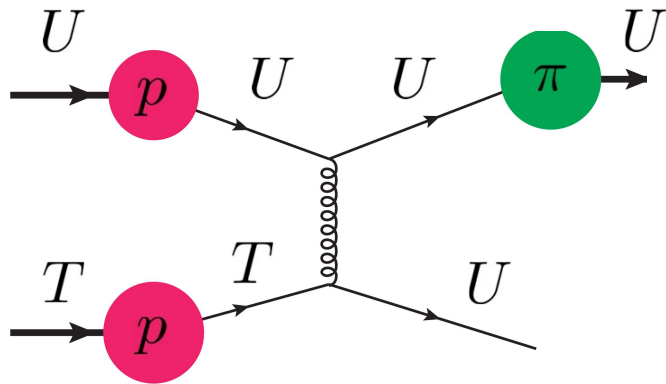
k_T -moment of Sivers TMD function $f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x, k_T)$

Understanding the transverse degrees of freedom is a central task in modern nucleon structure physics

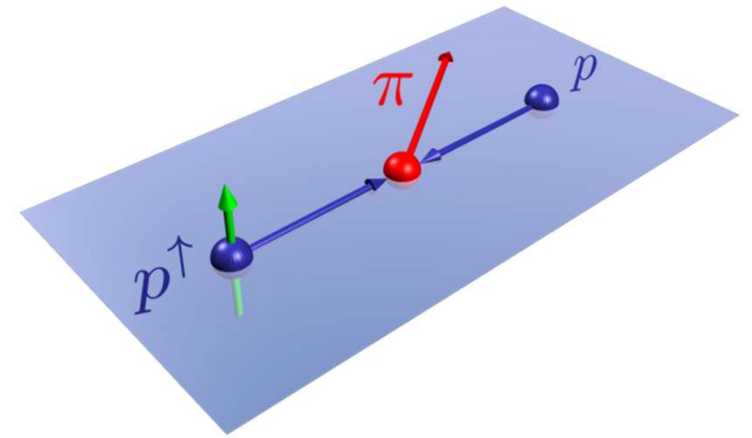
Large single spin asymmetry

Single Spin Asymmetry (SSA)

$$A_N = \frac{d\sigma^\uparrow - d\sigma^\downarrow}{d\sigma^\uparrow + d\sigma^\downarrow}$$



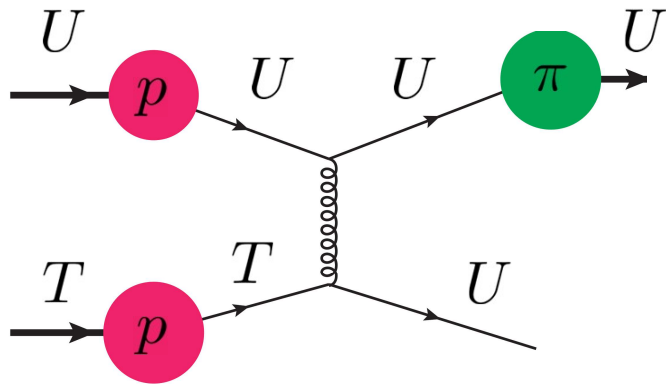
$$\sim \frac{m_q}{P_T} \text{ negligible}$$



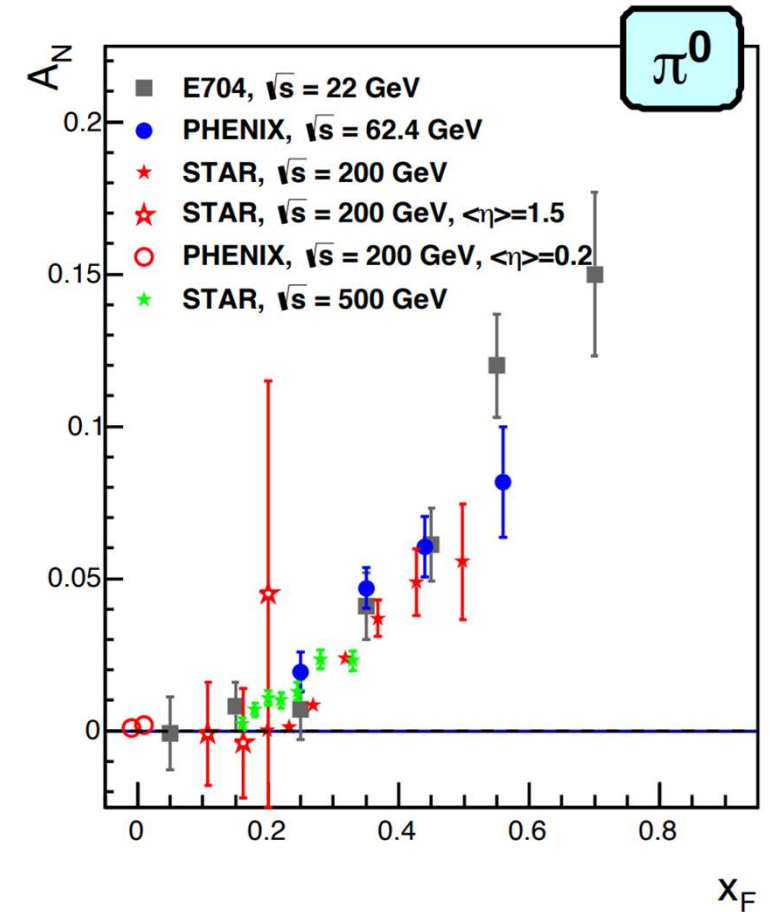
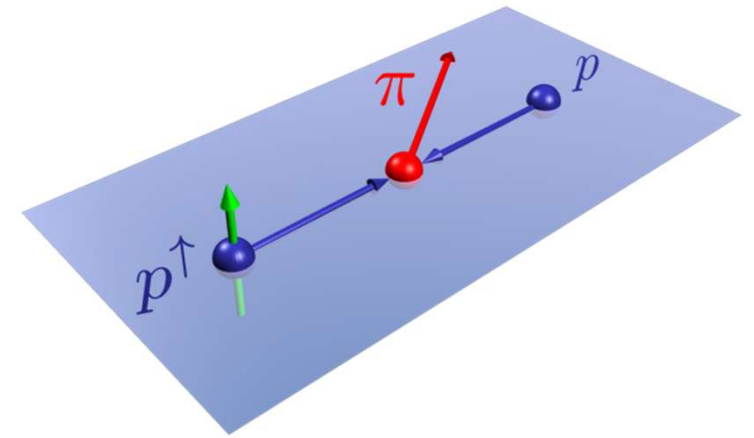
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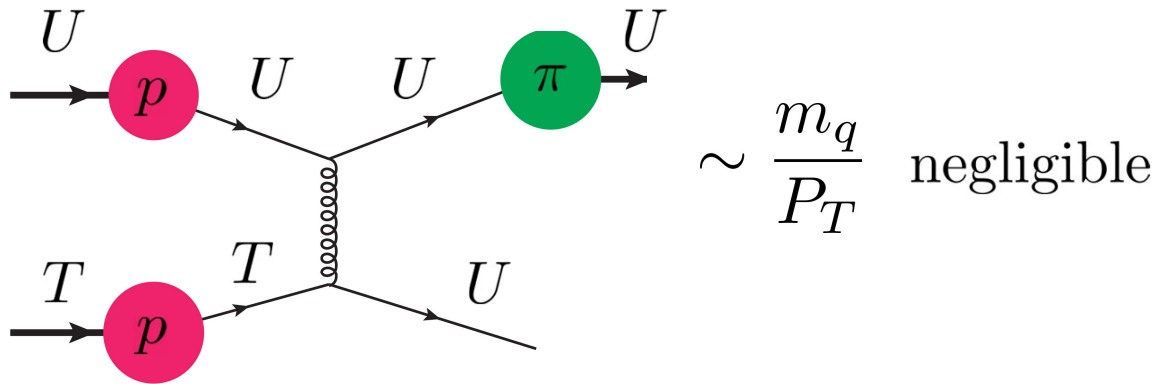
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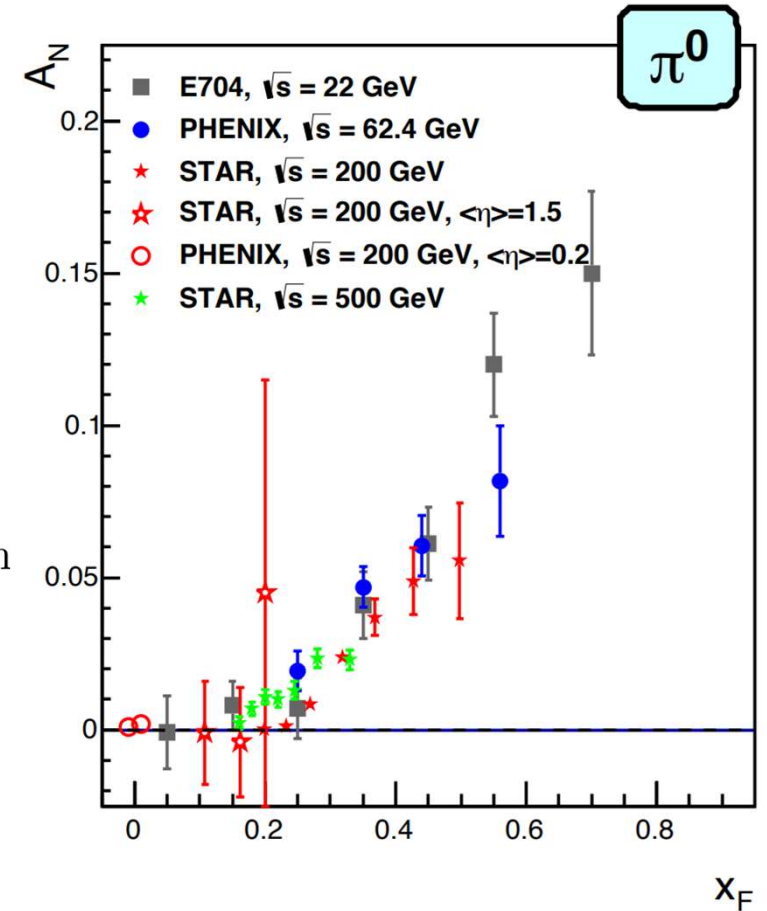
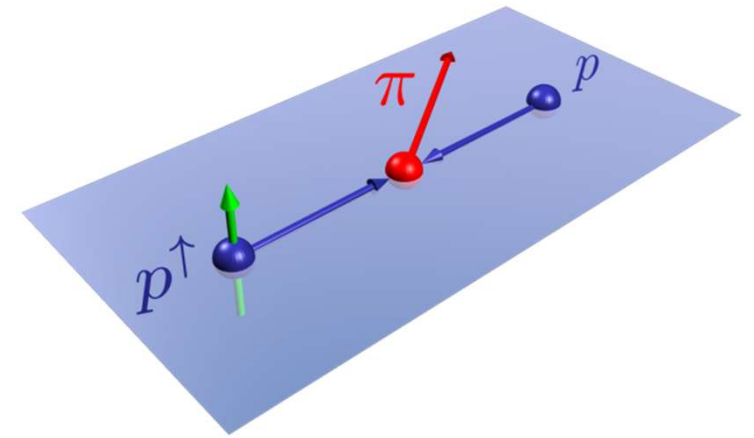
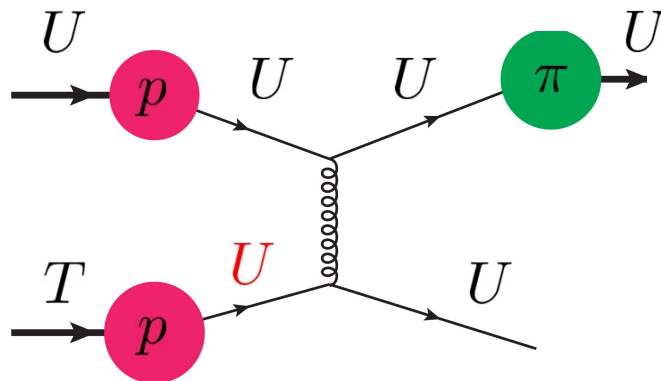
Sivers effect

D. W. Sivers, Phys. Rev. D41 (1990)

$$\mathcal{F. T.} \langle pS_\perp | \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^+ \psi(\lambda n, \vec{x}_T) | pS_\perp \rangle \sim \epsilon^{+\alpha\beta\gamma} p_\alpha k_{T\beta} S_{\perp\gamma} f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x, k_T)$$

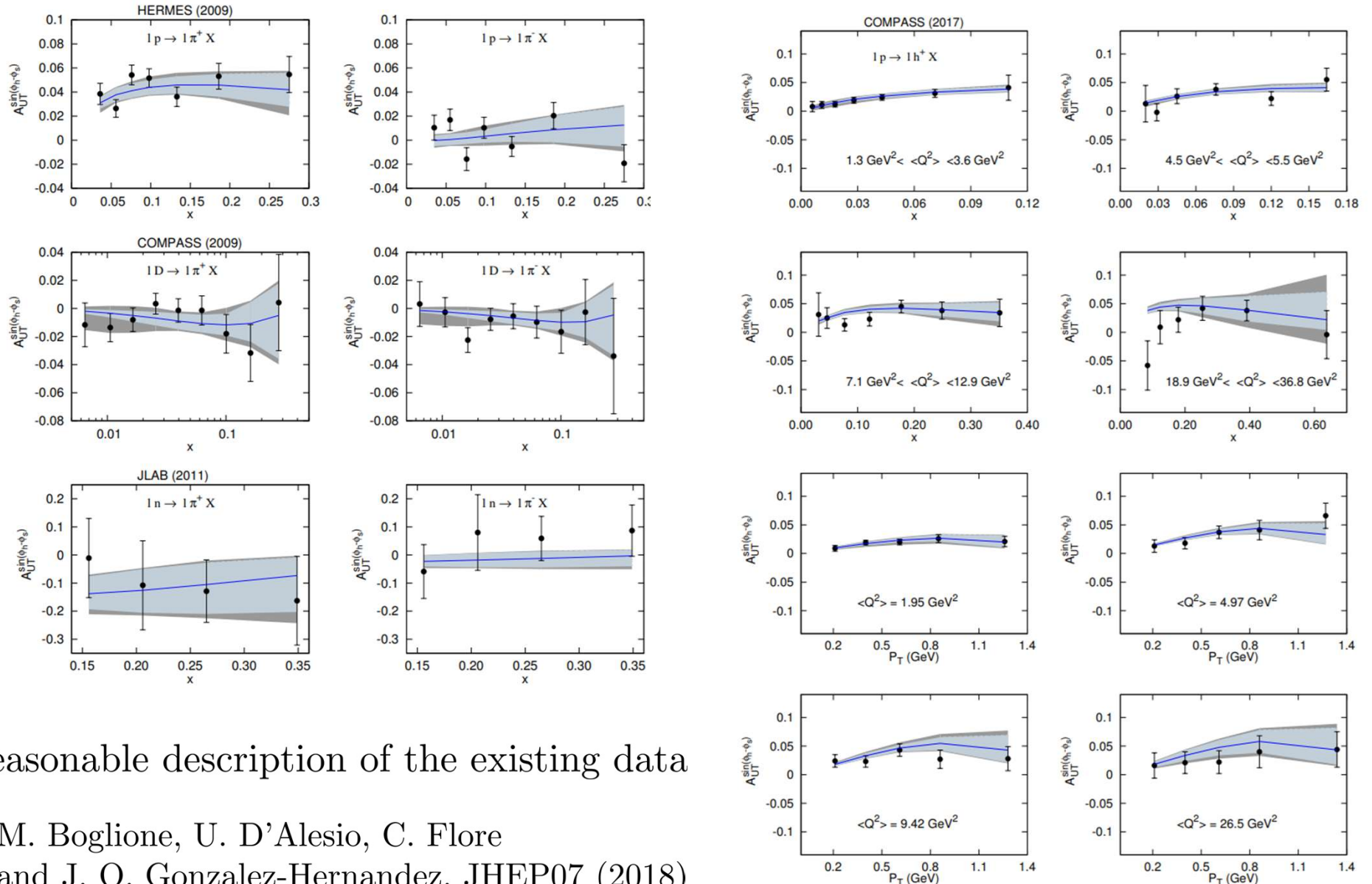
chiral-even

needs parton's transverse momentum



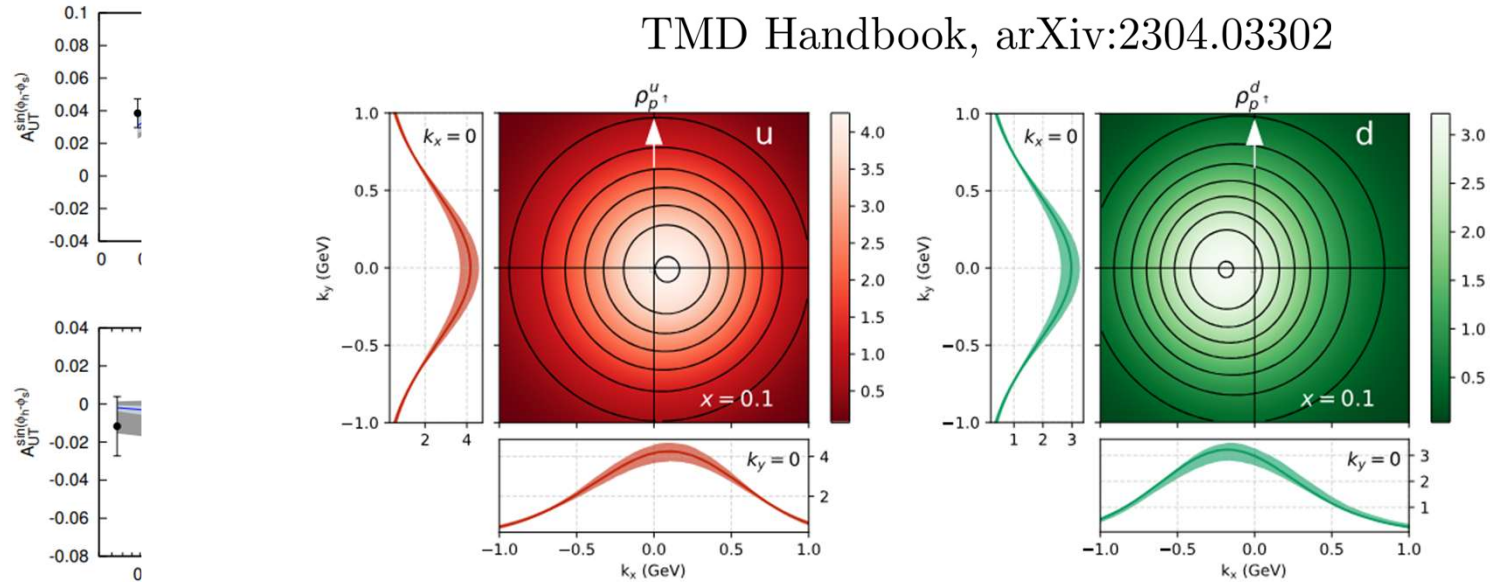
Successes of TMD

SSA data in SIDIS has been reported in the past couple of decades

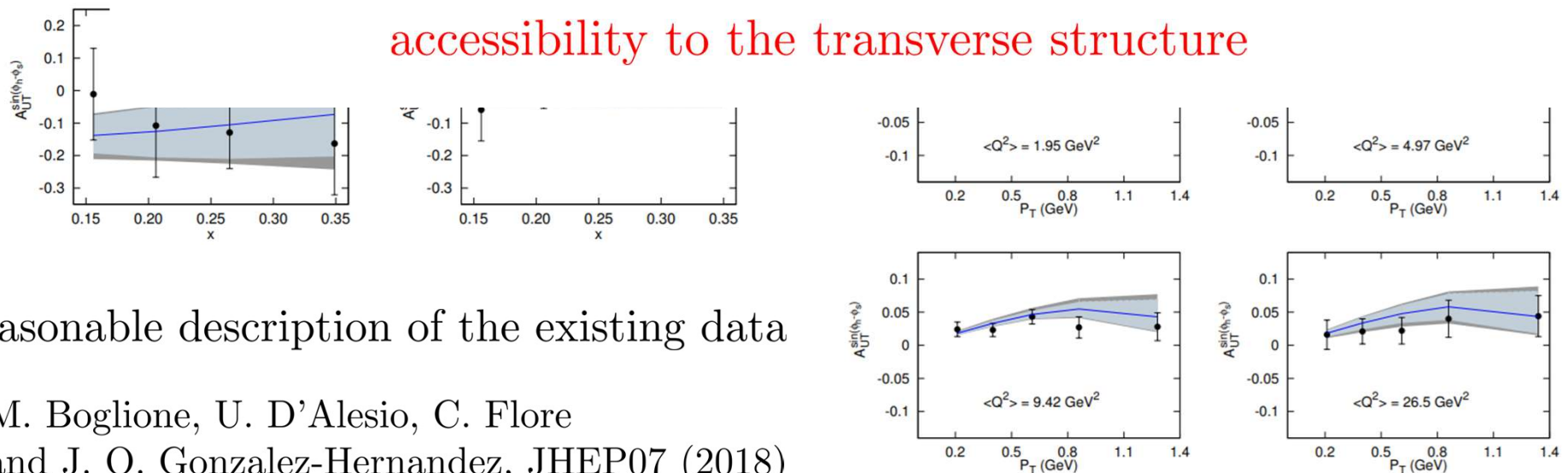


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accessibility to the transverse structure



Reasonable description of the existing data

M. Boglione, U. D'Alesio, C. Flore
and J. O. Gonzalez-Hernandez, JHEP07 (2018)

Collinear twist-3 framework

TMD framework requires small transverse momentum of the observed particle P_T relevant to small parton momentum k_T , and large scale Q for a perturbative treatment

○ SIDIS, Drell-Yan, e^+e^- -annihilation
 ✖ $pp \rightarrow hX$

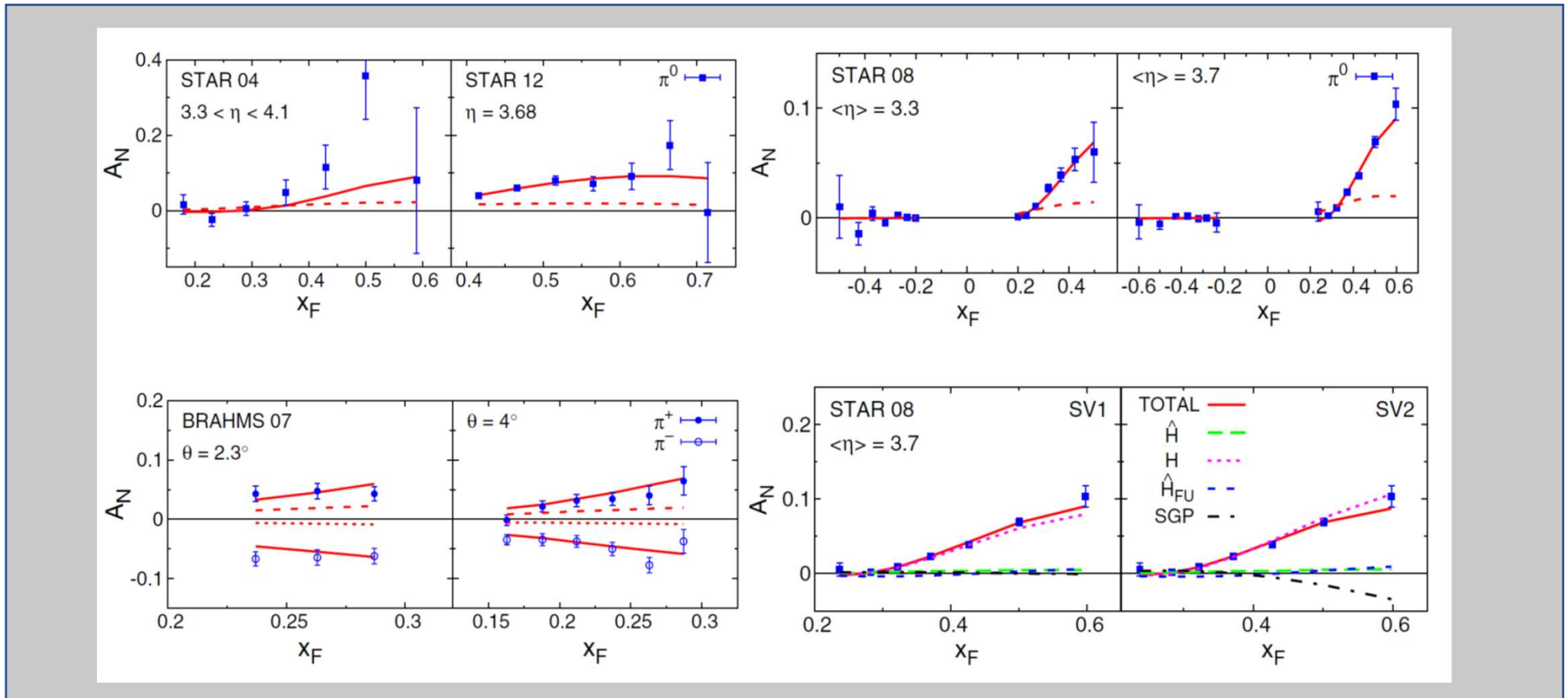
Higher twist framework has been developed to describe single-scale processes

multi-parton scattering

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathcal{F.T.} \langle PS_{\perp} | \bar{\psi}_j(0) g F^{\alpha+}(x_2^-) \psi_i(x_1^-) | PS_{\perp} \rangle \\
 &= -\frac{M_N}{2} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta-+} (\not{P})_{ij} S_{\perp\beta} F_{FT}(x_1, x_2) + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Twist-3 phenomenology

K. Kanazawa, Y. Koike, A. Metz and D. Pitonyak, Phys. Rev. D 89(2014)



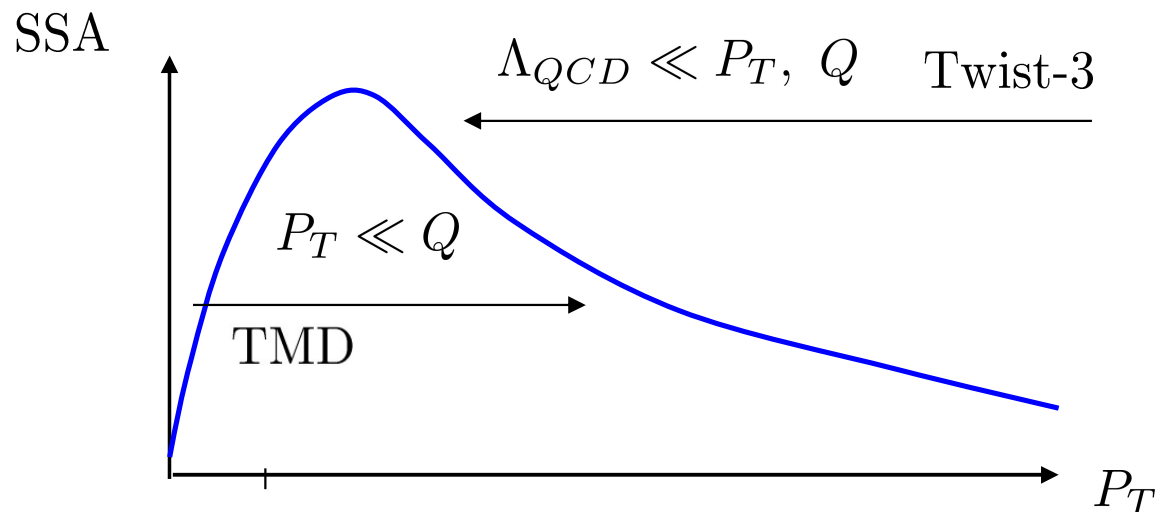
The twist-3 framework gives a reasonable description to existing RHIC data

Relationship between TMD and twist-3

TMD and the collinear twist-3 are equivalent in intermediate P_T region

X. Ji, J.-W. Qiu, W. Vogelsang and F. Yuan, PRD73(2006)

PLB638(2006)



$$\pi F_{FT}(x, x) = f_{1T}^{\perp q(1)}(x) \quad \left(f_{1T}^{\perp q(n)}(x) = \int d^2 k_T \left(\frac{k_T^2}{2M_N} \right)^n f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x, k_T) \right)$$

twist-3 QS-function

k_T -moment of Sivers

twist-3 function gives indirect information about the transverse momentum

SSAs in heavy quark production

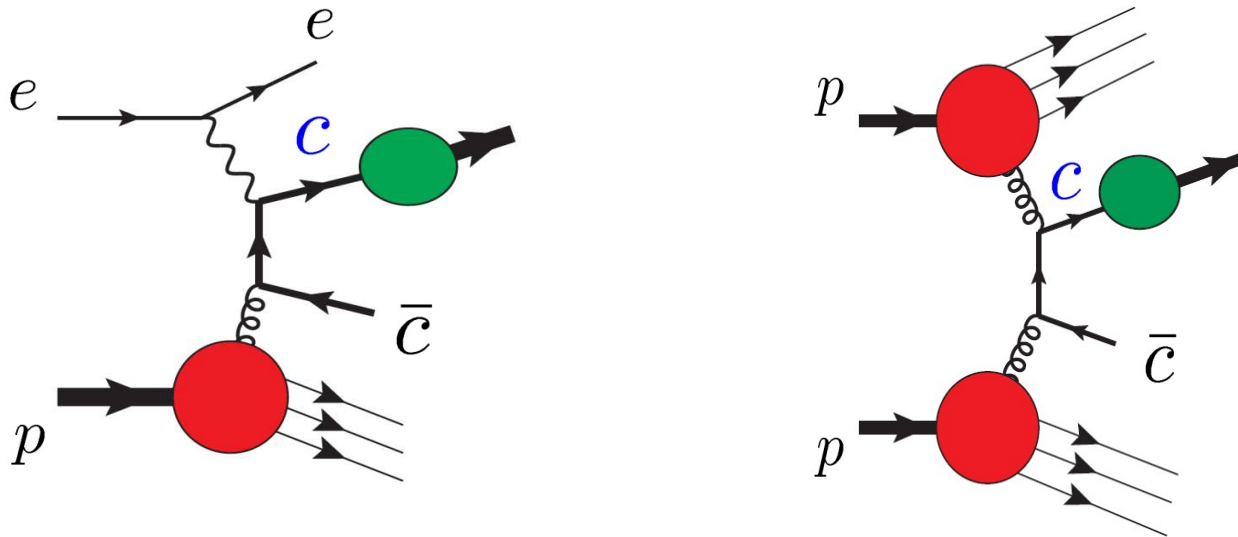
We discuss SSAs in

$$\text{SIDIS: } e^- + p^\uparrow \rightarrow e^- + J/\psi + X$$

$$p^\uparrow + p \rightarrow J/\psi + X$$

Understanding the gluon Sivers effect is a task of future experiments

Heavy quarks are mainly produced by gluon fusion.



Heavy meson production such as D , J/ψ , \dots are ideal observables to investigate gluon distribution functions

Gluon Sivers effect in TMD

A lot of papers have been published on the gluon TMD Sivers effect

· D -meson production

PRD 70, 074025 (2004) PRD 94, 114022 (2016) PRD 96, 036011 (2017)

PRD 97, 076001 (2018) PRD 99, 036013 (2019)

· J/ψ production

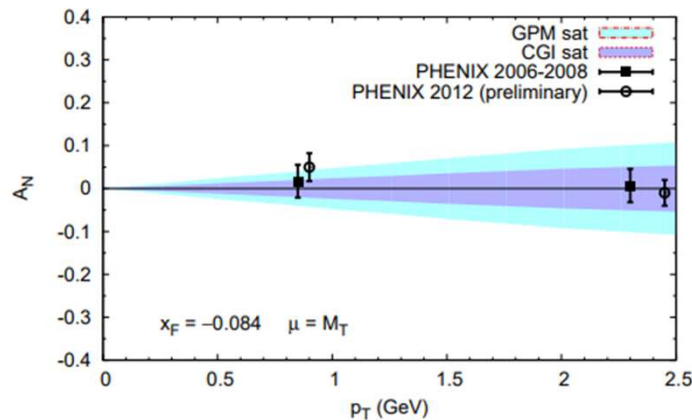
PRD 96, 036011 (2017) PRD 99, 036013 (2019) PRD 91, 014005 (2015) EPJC 77, 854 (2017)

PRD 98, 014007 (2018) PRD 100, 014007 (2019) PRD 100, 094016 (2019)

PRD 101, 054003 (2020) EPJC 79, 1029 (2019) PRD 102, 094011 (2020) PRD 107, 014008 (2023)

CGI-GPM model is used for pp collision

However...



Only four data points are available

A. Adare et al. [PHENIX Collaboration],
Phys. Rev. D 82 (2010) 112008

little information on the gluon TMD Sivers function

Gluon Sivers effect in twist-3

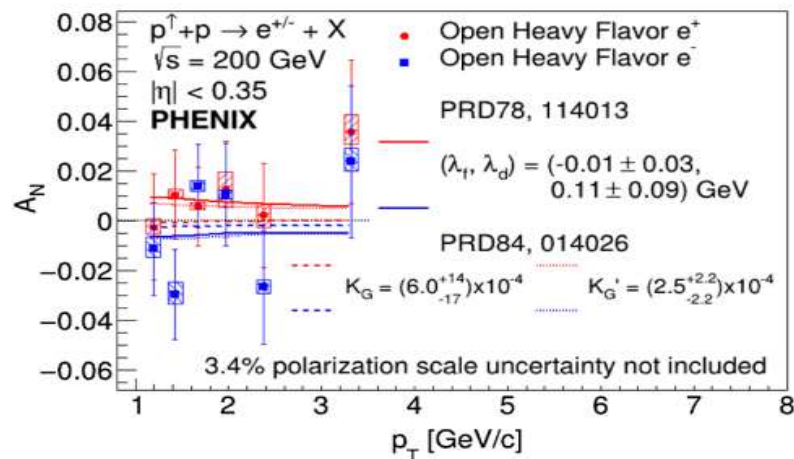
- D -meson production

PRD 78, 034005 (2008) PRD 78, 114013 (2008) PRD 82, 054005 (2010) PRD 84, 014026 (2011)

- J/ψ production

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this talk



N. J. Abdulameer et al. [PHENIX], Phys. Rev. D107 (2023)

Two independent functions

$$O(x_1, x_2) \quad N(x_1, x_2)$$

$$O(x, x) = N(x, x) = K_G G(x) \quad K_G = (6.0^{+14}_{-17}) \times 10^{-4}$$

Upper bound of the functions

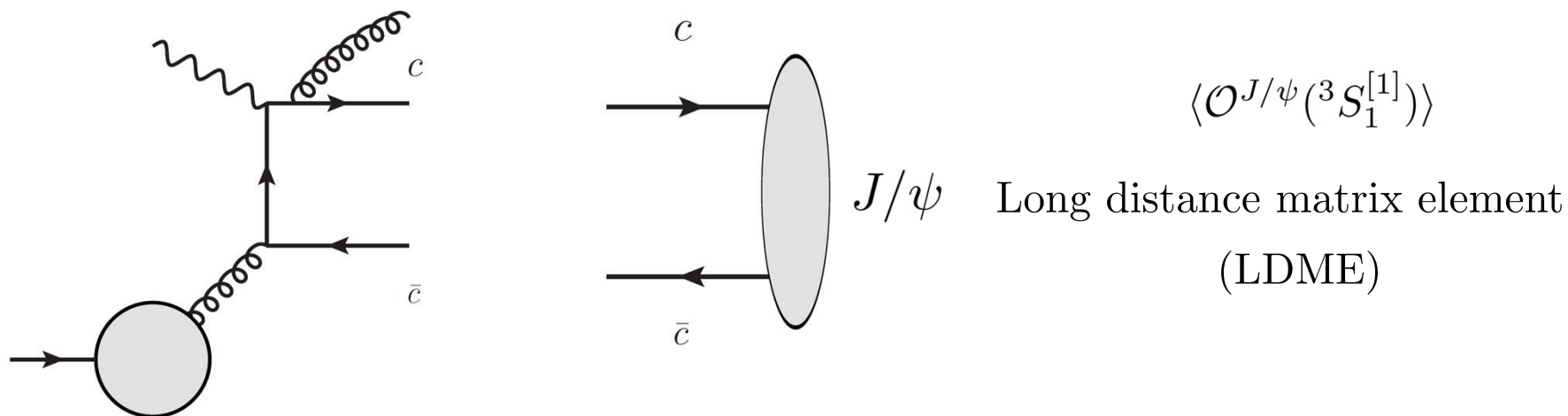
Collinear twist-3 + NRQCD

We adopt non-relativistic QCD framework for the hadronization into J/ψ

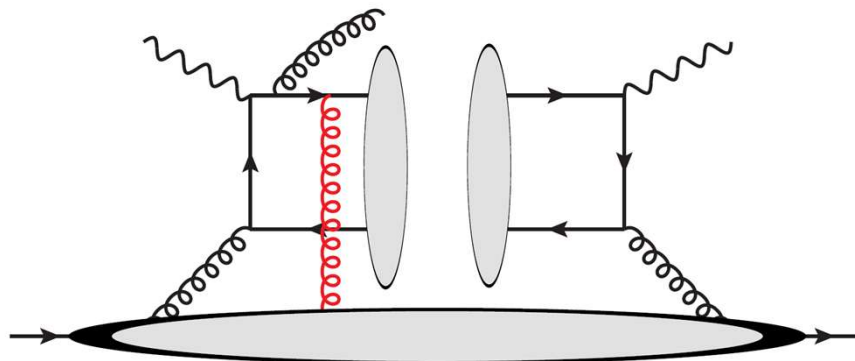
- The charm quark pair is produced through a hard scattering

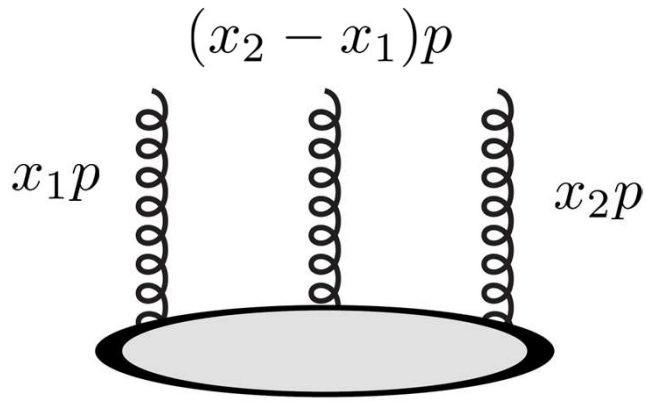
$$\gamma^* + g \rightarrow \sum_n c\bar{c}[n] + g \quad n: \text{possible Fock state } \boxed{{}^3S_1^{[1]}}, {}^1S_0^{[8]}, {}^3S_1^{[8]}, \dots$$

- Hadronization happens nonperturbatively



- Twist-3 contribution requires one more gluon line





H. Beppu, Y. Koike, K. Tanaka and SY, Phys. Rev. D82 (2010)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} \int \frac{d\mu}{2\pi} e^{i\lambda x_1} e^{i\mu(x_2-x_1)} \langle PS_{\perp} | \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d_{bca} \\ ifbca \end{array} \right\} F_e^{\beta n}(0) [0, \mu n]_{eb} F_c^{\gamma n}(\mu n) [\mu n, \lambda n]_{ad} F_d^{\alpha n}(\lambda n) | PS_{\perp} \rangle \\
 & = 2M_N [g^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon^{\gamma p n S} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} O(x_1, x_2) \\ N(x_1, x_2) \end{array} \right\} + g^{\beta\gamma} \epsilon^{\alpha p n S} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} O(x_2, x_2 - x_1) \\ N(x_2, x_2 - x_1) \end{array} \right\} + g^{\gamma\alpha} \epsilon^{\beta p n S} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} O(x_1, x_1 - x_2) \\ N(x_1, x_1 - x_2) \end{array} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Two independent twist-3 functions

C -even function is related to gluon TMDs

Y. Koike, K. Yabe and SY, Phys. Rev. D101(2020)

$$G_T^{(1)}(x) = 4\pi \left(N(x, x) - N(x, 0) \right)$$

$$\Delta H_T^{(1)}(x) = -8\pi N(x, 0)$$

Cross section in SIDIS

SIDIS $e^-(\ell) + p^\uparrow(p) \rightarrow e^-(\ell') + J/\psi(P_{J/\psi}) + X$

kinematical variables

$$S_{ep} = (p + \ell)^2 \quad x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}$$

$$Q^2 = -(\ell - \ell')^2 \quad z_f = \frac{p \cdot P_{J/\psi}}{p \cdot q}$$

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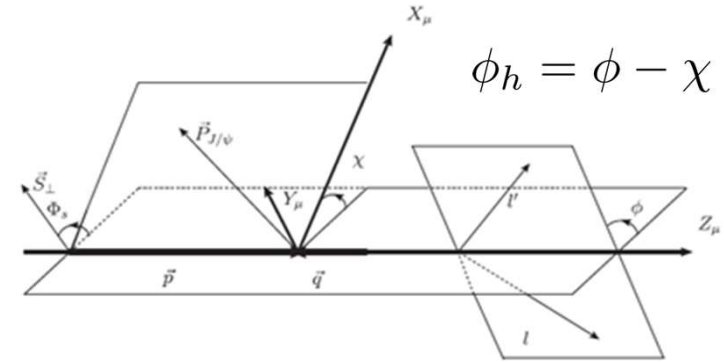
$$\frac{d^6 \Delta\sigma}{dx_B dQ^2 dz_f dP_T^2 d\phi d\chi} = \frac{\alpha_{em}^2 \alpha_s^2 e_c^2 (2\pi M_N)}{4\pi S_{ep}^2 x_B^2 Q^2} \left(\mathcal{N} \langle \mathcal{O}^{J/\psi} (3S_1^{[1]}) \rangle \right) \sum_{i=1, \dots, 4, 8, 9} \mathcal{A}_i(\phi - \chi) \mathcal{S}_i(\Phi_S - \chi)$$

$$\times \int \frac{dx}{x^2} \delta \left[\frac{P_T^2}{Q^2} - \left(1 - \frac{1}{\hat{x}} + \frac{m_{J/\psi}^2}{z_f Q^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{z_f} \right) \right] \left[N(x, x) \sigma_i^{N1} + N(x, 0) \sigma_i^{N2} + N(x, Ax) \sigma_i^{N3} \right.$$

$$\left. + N(x, (1-A)x) \sigma_i^{N4} + N(Ax, -(1-A)x) \sigma_i^{N5} \right]$$

$$= \sin(\phi_h - \phi_S) (\mathcal{F}_1 + \mathcal{F}_2 \cos \phi_h + \mathcal{F}_3 \cos 2\phi_h)$$

$$+ \cos(\phi_h - \phi_S) (\mathcal{F}_4 \sin \phi_h + \mathcal{F}_5 \sin 2\phi_h)$$



- C -odd function $O(x_1, x_2)$ is canceled \leftrightarrow D -meson production

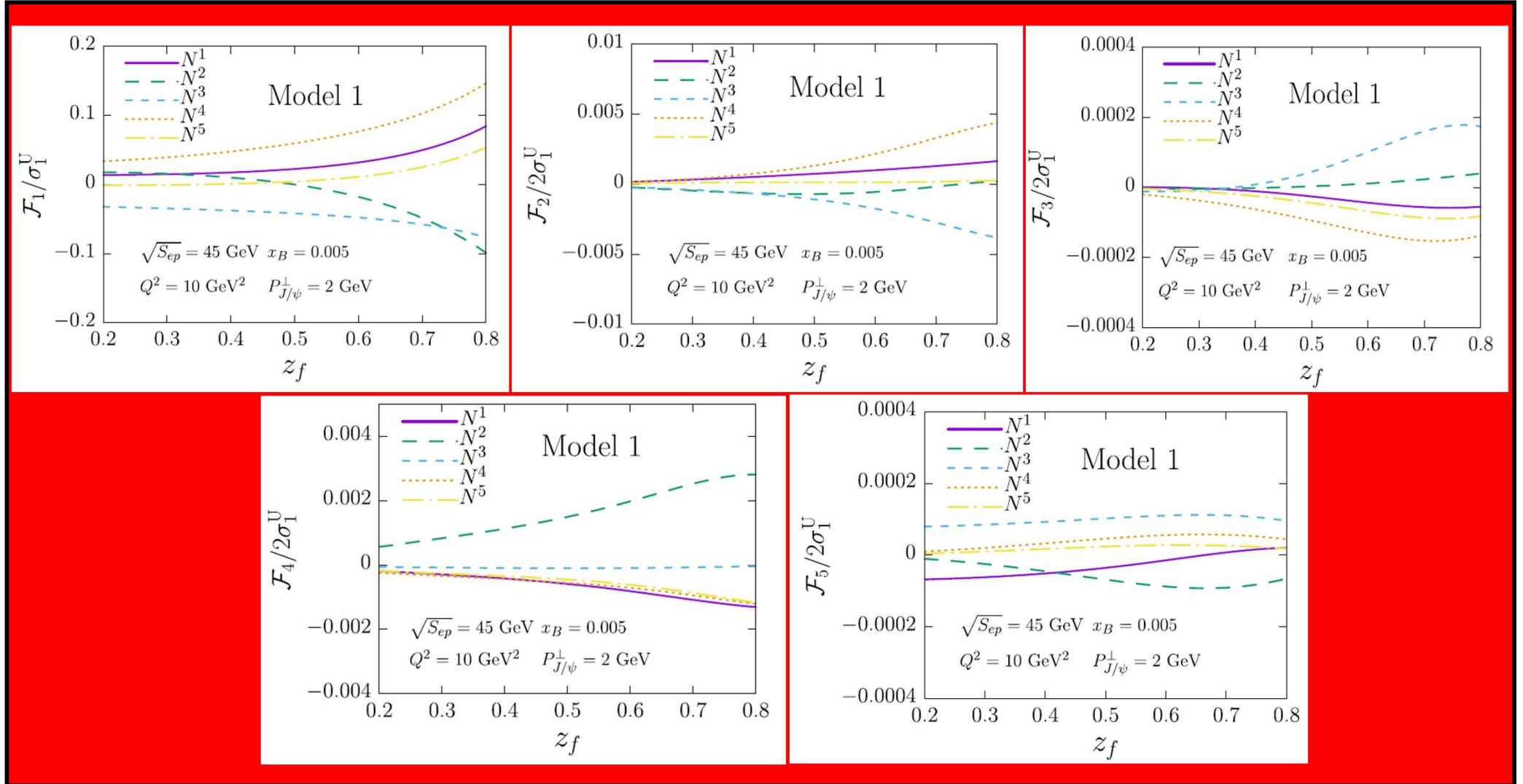
We perform numerical calculations for five normalized structure functions

$$\frac{\mathcal{F}_1}{\sigma_1^U}, \quad \frac{\mathcal{F}_2}{2\sigma_1^U}, \quad \frac{\mathcal{F}_3}{2\sigma_1^U}, \quad \frac{\mathcal{F}_4}{2\sigma_1^U}, \quad \frac{\mathcal{F}_5}{2\sigma_1^U} \quad \sigma_1^U : \text{unpolarized cross section}$$

LDME is canceled in the ratio 13/16

Numerical simulation

EIC energy: $\sqrt{S_{ep}} = 45 \text{ GeV}$ $x_B = 0.005$ $Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ $P_{J/\psi}^\perp = 2 \text{ GeV}$



$$N^{1,2,3,4,5} = \{N(x, x), N(x, 0), N(x, Ax), N(x, (1-A)x), N(Ax, -(1-A)x)\} = 0.002xG(x)$$

TMD related functions

Cross section in pp

$$p^\uparrow(p) + p(p') \rightarrow J/\psi(P_{J/\psi}) + X$$

Mandelstam variables

$$\hat{s} = (xp + x'p')^2 \quad \hat{t} = (xp - P_J)^2 \quad \hat{u} = (x'p' - P_J)^2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & P_J^0 \frac{d\Delta\sigma}{d^3P_J} \\ = & \frac{4\pi\alpha_s^3(-\pi M_N)}{S} \left(\mathcal{N} \langle O^{J/\psi} [{}^3S_1^{(1)}] \rangle \right) \int \frac{dx}{x'} G(x') \int \frac{dx}{x^2} \delta(\hat{s} + \hat{t} + \hat{u} - m_J^2) \\ & \times \left(\hat{s} \epsilon^{P_J p n S_\perp} - (\hat{t} - m_J^2) x' \epsilon^{n p p' S_\perp} \right) \left(-\frac{1}{N_c^2 C_F} + \frac{1}{4C_F} \right) \left[x \frac{d}{dx} N(x, x) \left(-\frac{4}{\hat{s}\hat{u}} \hat{\sigma}^U \right) + x \frac{d}{dx} N(x, 0) \hat{\sigma}^D \right. \\ & \left. + N(x, x) \hat{\sigma}^{ND1} + N(x, 0) \hat{\sigma}^{ND2} + N(x, Hx) \hat{\sigma}^{H1} + N(x - Hx, x) \hat{\sigma}^{H2} + N(Hx, Hx - x) \hat{\sigma}^{H3} \right], \end{aligned}$$

- C -odd function $O(x_1, x_2)$ is canceled

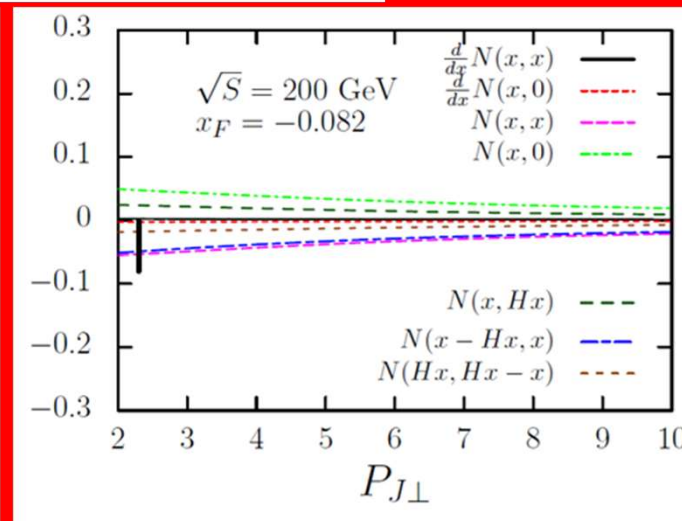
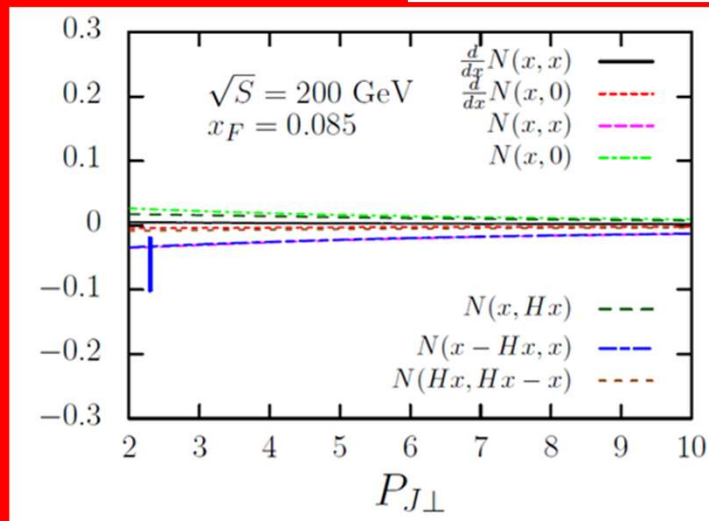
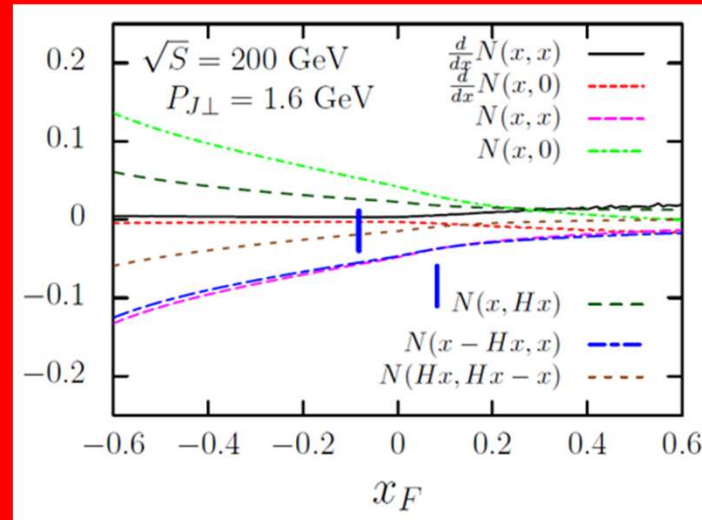
- 5 types of functions

$$N(x, x), N(x, 0), N(x, Hx), N(x - Hx, x), N(Hx, Hx - x)$$

$$H = -\frac{\hat{u} - m_J^2}{\hat{s} - \hat{u}}$$

Numerical simulation

RHIC energy: $\sqrt{S} = 200$ GeV



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TMD related functions

Summary

- Siverson effect is a key for understanding transverse momenta of partons
- Understanding of gluon Siverson effect is a challenging task in future experiments

A lot of studies within TMD, but insufficient within the collinear twist-3

- We have derived the cross section formula for the SSA in $ep \rightarrow J/\psi X$
in $pp \rightarrow J/\psi X$

Our results give a theoretical basis to analyses at RHIC, EIC, LHCspin

○ Future work

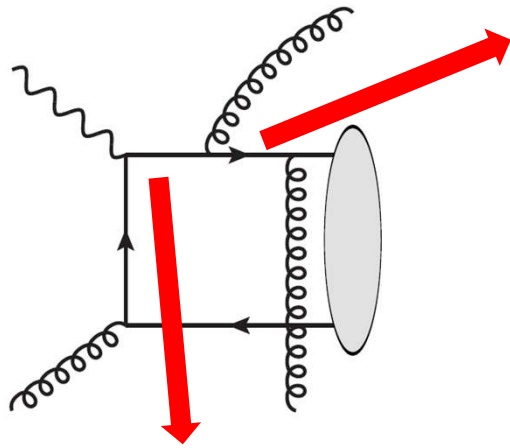
- Calculation for color-octet channels
- Matching between TMD and the collinear twist-3 on gluon Siverson

Backup

Pole contributions

Sivers effect arises from pole contributions in the twist-3 calculation

There are two types of poles in J/ψ production



$$\frac{1}{\left(\frac{P_{J/\psi}}{2} - (x_2 - x_1)p\right)^2 - \frac{m_{J/\psi}^2}{4} + i\epsilon}$$

$$P \frac{1}{\left(\frac{P_{J/\psi}}{2} - (x_2 - x_1)p\right)^2 - \frac{m_{J/\psi}^2}{4}} - i\pi \delta\left(\left(\frac{P_{J/\psi}}{2} - (x_2 - x_1)p\right)^2 - \frac{m_{J/\psi}^2}{4}\right)$$

Soft-gluon-pole(SGP) $-i\pi \frac{1}{P_{J/\psi} \cdot p} \delta(x_2 - x_1)$

$$O(x, x), O(x, 0), N(x, x), N(x, 0)$$

$$\frac{1}{\left(x_1 p + q - \frac{P_{J/\psi}}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{m_{J/\psi}^2}{4} + i\epsilon}$$

Hard-pole(HP) $-i\pi \frac{1}{2p \cdot \left(q - \frac{P_{J/\psi}}{2}\right)} \delta\left(x_1 - Ax\right) \quad A \neq 0$

$$O(x, Ax), O(x, (1 - A)x), O(Ax, -(1 - A)x)$$

$$N(x, Ax), N(x, (1 - A)x), N(Ax, -(1 - A)x)$$

Evolution equations of the twist-3 gluon distributions

V. M. Braun, A. N. Manashov and B. Pirnay, Phys. Rev. D80 (2009)

$$\begin{aligned} \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} T_F^\pm(x, x) = & \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \left(-T_F^\pm(x, x) + \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \left\{ 2\bar{P}_{gg}(z) T_F^\pm(\xi, \xi) + \frac{z}{1-z} [T_F^\pm(\xi, x) - T_F^\pm(\xi, \xi)] \right. \right. \\ & - (1-z) \left(z + \frac{1}{z} \right) T_F^\pm(\xi, \xi) + \frac{1+z}{2} [T_F^\pm(x, \xi) - \Delta T_F^\pm(x, \xi)] \\ & \mp \frac{1}{2} (1-z) [T_F^\pm(x, x-\xi) - \Delta T_F^\pm(x, x-\xi)] + \frac{1}{2} A^\pm \left(\bar{P}_{gq}(z) [\mathcal{T}_{q,F}(\xi, \xi) \pm \mathcal{T}_{q,F}(-\xi, -\xi)] \right. \\ & \left. \left. - \frac{2-z}{z} [\mathcal{T}_{q,F}(x-\xi, -\xi) \pm \mathcal{T}_{q,F}(\xi, \xi-x)] + [\Delta \mathcal{T}_{q,F}(x-\xi, -\xi) \mp \Delta \mathcal{T}_{q,F}(\xi, \xi-x)] \right) \right\} \Bigg), \end{aligned}$$

$$T_F^+ = N, \quad T_F^- = O$$