

# Gluon Polarization via Open Charm Production at $\vec{e}\vec{p}$ collider

Jörg Pretz

Physikalisches Institut, Universität Bonn



GSI, May 2009

# 1 Introduction

# 1 Introduction

# 2 Figure of Merit (FOM)

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Figure of Merit (FOM)
- 3 Kinematic Distributions & Range

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Figure of Merit (FOM)
- 3 Kinematic Distributions & Range
- 4 Qualitative Improvements

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Figure of Merit (FOM)
- 3 Kinematic Distributions & Range
- 4 Qualitative Improvements
- 5 Summary & Outlook

# Introduction

# Nucleon Spin Decomposition

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L_q + L_g$$

Quarks
Spin
Gluons
orbital angular momentum
Quarks
angular momentum
Gluons



# Nucleon Spin Decomposition

$$\frac{1}{2} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma}_{\text{Quarks Spin}} + \underbrace{\Delta G}_{\text{Gluons}} + \underbrace{L_q}_{\text{orbital angular momentum Quarks}} + \underbrace{L_g}_{\text{angular momentum Gluons}}$$

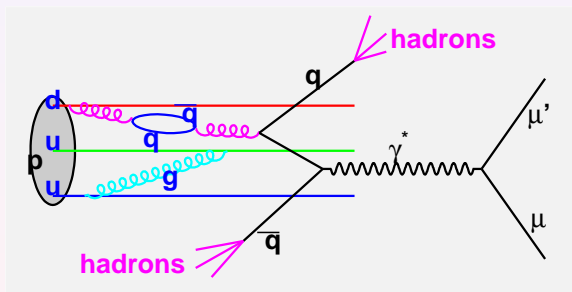
$\Delta\Sigma$  only  $\approx 0.3$  ! Expected  $\approx 0.6$ . One possibility to solve this “spin puzzle” would require large gluon contribution

$$\Delta G = \int_0^1 \Delta g(x) dx = 2 - 3.$$

# How to access the gluon distribution?

Use hadronic final state in deep inelastic scattering:

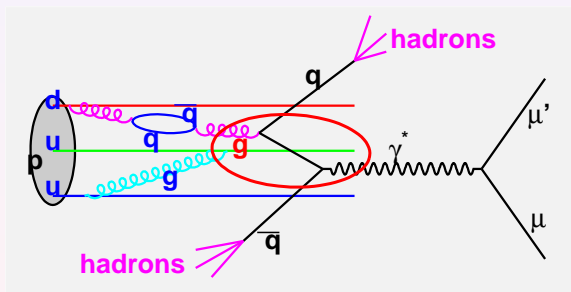
$$\vec{\mu} + \vec{N} \rightarrow \mu' + \text{hadrons} + X$$



# How to access the gluon distribution?

Use hadronic final state in deep inelastic scattering:

$$\vec{\mu} + \vec{N} \rightarrow \mu' + \text{hadrons} + X$$

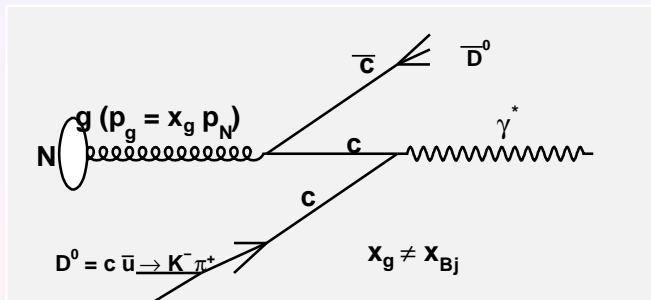


How to tag **Photon -Gluon- Fusion** sub-process

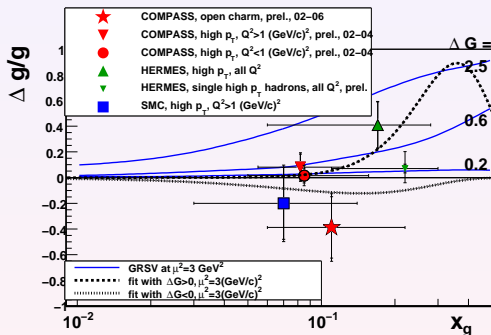
$$\gamma^* g \rightarrow q \bar{q} ?$$

# How to tag $\gamma^* g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ ?

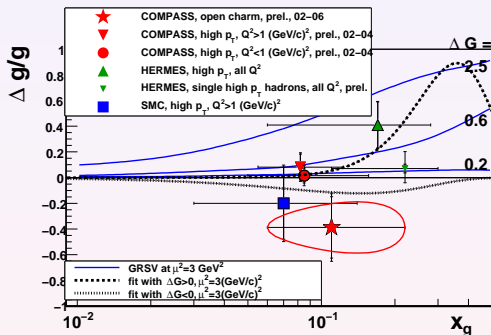
Cleanest way: Look at charmed particles resulting from the fragmentation of the process  $\gamma^* g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ :



- no intrinsic charm,
- no charm quarks in string fragmentation
- If both charmed particles are reconstructed, one has access to  $x_g$

Results on  $\Delta g$  from DIS

- Data show small values of  $\Delta g/g$  at  $x_g \approx 0.1$
- confirmed by indirect measurements
  - Scaling violation of  $g_1^{p,n,d}$  structure function
  - $\vec{p}\vec{p}$  scattering at RHIC
- all measurements are concentrated around  $x_g = 0.1$ , little is known about  $\Delta g(x_g)$

Results on  $\Delta g$  from DIS

- Data show small values of  $\Delta g/g$  at  $x_g \approx 0.1$
- confirmed by indirect measurements
  - Scaling violation of  $g_1^{p,n,d}$  structure function
  - $\vec{p}\vec{p}$  scattering at RHIC
- all measurements are concentrated around  $x_g = 0.1$ , little is known about  $\Delta g(x_g)$

- only COMPASS point is obtained with the (least model dependent) open charm method
- this result is obtained in  $\approx 200$  days of running

# FOM: Luminosity & Diluting Factors

# Luminosity

Luminosity:

	COMPASS	collider
Lumi	$0.3 \cdot 5 \cdot 10^{32}/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$	$2 \times 10^{32}/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$

Gain:  $2/(0.3 \cdot 5) = \mathbf{1.3}$



# Diluting Factors

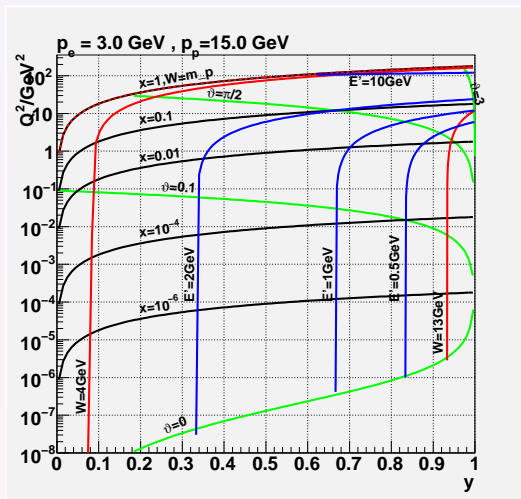
Diluting factors:

	COMPASS	collider
$P_T$	0.5	0.8
$P_B$	0.8	0.8
$f$	0.4	1
$(P_T P_B f)^2$	0.026	0.41

Gain:  $0.41/0.026 = 16$

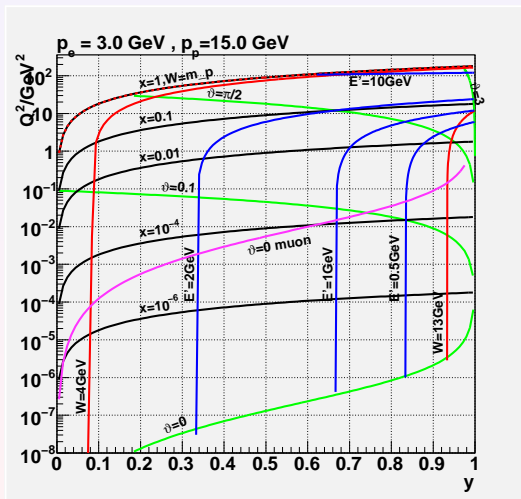
FOM:  
Photon Flux

# Kinematic Region



- Playground in  $Q^2 - y$  plane ( $\text{Pol}(\gamma^*) \approx y$ )

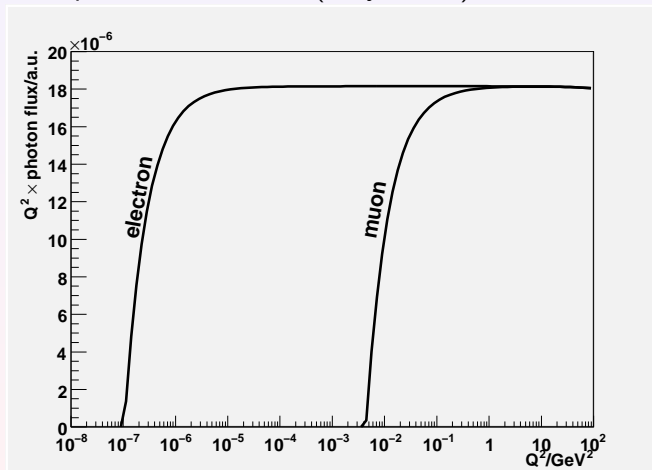
# Kinematic Region



- Playground in  $Q^2 - y$  plane ( $\text{Pol}(\gamma^*) \approx y$ )
- Higher  $Q_{min}^2$  for  $\mu$

# Advantage $e$ over $\mu$

$Q^2 \times$  photon flux vs.  $Q^2$  (for  $y = 0.5$ )



Gain due to higher photon flux  $\approx 2$ .

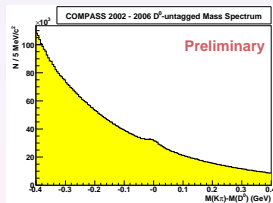
FOM:

$D^0$  meson reconstruction

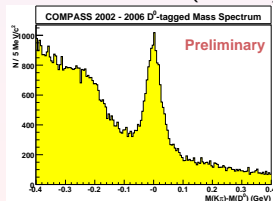
$D^0$  reconstruction

COMPASS

$$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ + c.c. \quad (37k D^0)$$



$$D^0 \text{ from } D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 + \pi^+ \\ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \quad (9k D^0)$$



collider

$$S:B = 4:1$$

(expected for PANDA)

assume B=0

$D^0$  reconstruction

	COMPASS S:B	collider S:B	
$D^0$	1:10	4:1	
$D^*$	1:1	1:0	



$D^0$  reconstruction

	COMPASS S:B	collider S:B	Gain in FOM*
$D^0$	1:10	4:1	11
$D^*$	1:1	1:0	2.6

In COMPASS  $D^0$  and  $D^*$  have approximately the same FOM:  
 $\Rightarrow$  total gain  $\approx \frac{11+2.6}{2} = 7$

\* for the same number of signal events

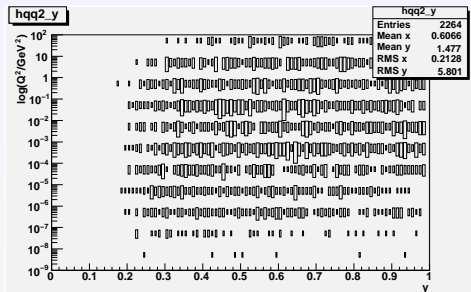
# $D^0$ reconstruction

- COMPASS has a solid state target:
  - $\Rightarrow D^0$  decay vertex cannot be resolved from main vertex
  - $\Rightarrow$  mass resolution deteriorated due to multiple scattering
- Additional gains at collider:
  - from number of reconstructed  $D$  mesons  
(COMPASS target has  $\approx 1$  nuclear interaction length)
  - considering more decay channels  
( $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$  has only 4% BR)

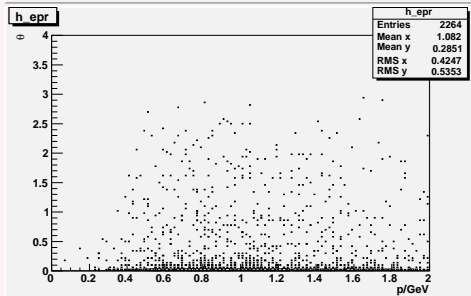
# Gain in FOM

source	factor
LUMI	1.3
$(fP_T P_B)^2$	16
photon flux	2
eff. $D^0$ signal	$> 7$
total	$\approx$ <b>300</b>

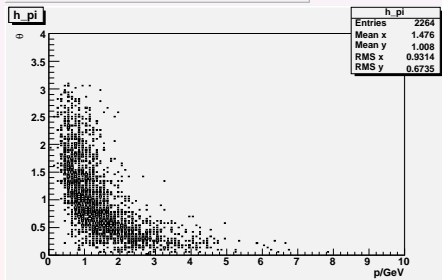
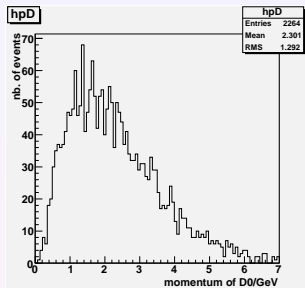
# Kinematic Distributions & Range



distribution  
of events in  
 $Q^2 - y$  plane from  
PYTHIA MC



scattered electron:  
in  $\theta$  vs.  $p$

$D^0$  momentum

decay pion:

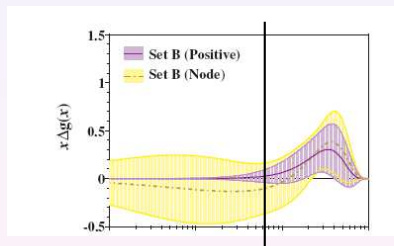
 $\theta$  vs.  $p$

## gluon momentum fraction range covered

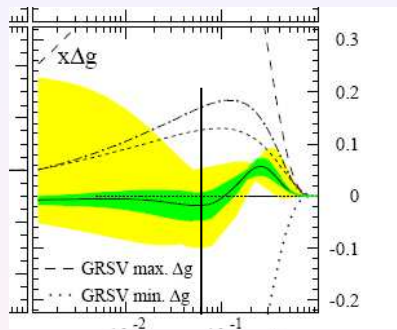
Lower limit:

$$x_g(\min) = \frac{4m_c^2}{s}$$

COMPASS $E = 160$ GeV	pol eNC $E_p = 15$ GeV, $E_e = 3$ GeV
$s/\text{GeV}^2$	
300	180
$x_g(\min)$	
<b>0.02</b>	<b>0.038</b>

QCD analysis on  $\Delta g(x)$ 

Hirai, Kumano

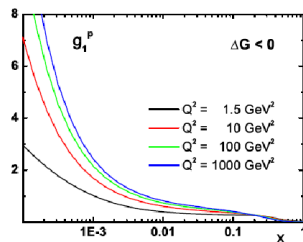
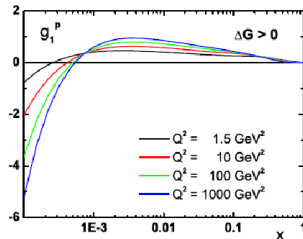
de Florian, Sassot, Stratmann,  
Vogelsang

- largest error in the region  $x_g < 0.1$
- RHIC covers and will cover  $0.01 < x_g < 0.2$



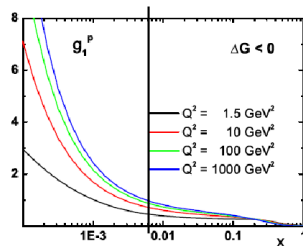
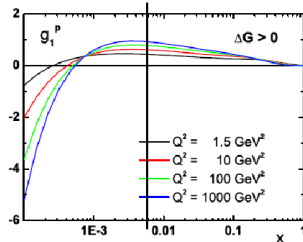
Structure function  $g_1^p(x)$  for different  $Q^2$ 

Leader et al.



Structure function  $g_1(x)$  for different  $Q^2$ 

Leader et al.



$$x_{Bj}(min) = \frac{1}{M_s}$$

$$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$$

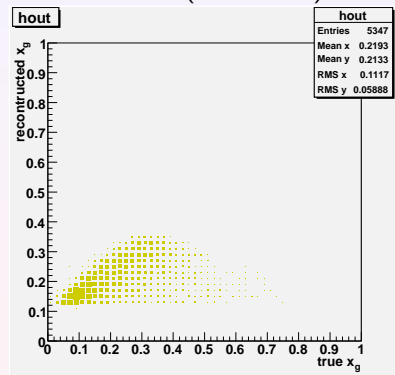
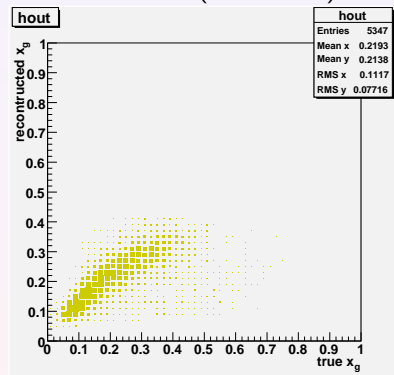
COMPASS	pol eNC
$E = 160 \text{ GeV}$	$E_p = 15 \text{ GeV}, E_e = 3 \text{ GeV}$
$s/\text{GeV}^2$	
300	180
$x_{Bj}(min)$	
0.0036	0.0059

# Qualitative Improvements



Better Reconstruction of  $x_g$ 

using information of ...

... one  $D^0$  (52% corr.)... both  $D^0$  (70% corr.)

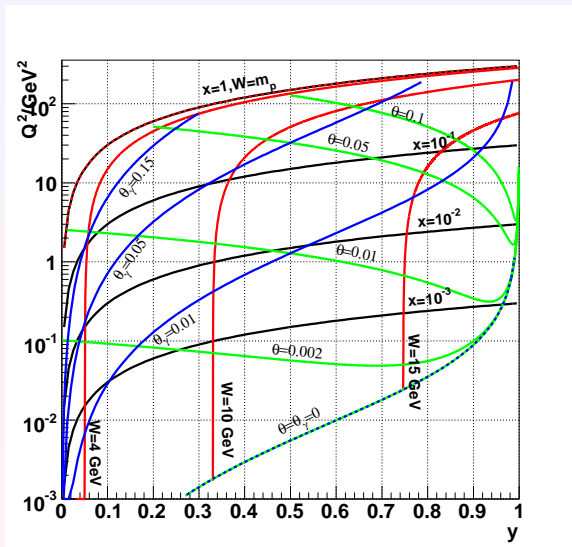
# Summary & Outlook

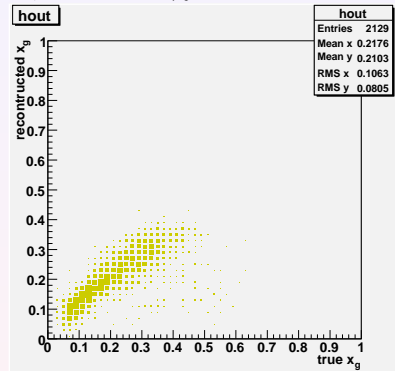
# Summary

Measurement of  $\frac{\Delta g}{g}(\mathbf{x}_g)$  via open-charm  
at collider looks very promising!

Spare



Kinematic Region for COMPASS ( $p_\mu = 160$  GeV)

Better Reconstruction of  $x_g$  $z > 0.3$  76% corr. $z > 0.4$  85% corr.