The Electron-Ion Collider



Lecture 1

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The Electron-Ion Collider does not exist

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Over 800 people from 169 institutions and 29 countries are working hard to make it happen within the next decade.

I am one of them.

The Electron-Ion Collider on One Page

The Electron-Ion Collider will be a machine for unlocking the secrets of gluons that binds the building blocks of visible matter in the universe.

Tools:

- The world's first polarized electron-polarized proton collider
- The world's first electron-heavy ion collider
- Fine resolution inside proton down to 10⁻¹⁸ meters



- Counter rotating beams of electrons and protons/ions collide at an interaction point
- The probe (electron) is structure-less and scatters off a "target". The process is called Deep Inelastic Scattering.

Outline (Lecture 1)

1. Probing Matter

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- 2.2. QCD
- 2.3. Gluons
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 - 3.1. DIS & Kinematics
 - 3.2. Structure Functions
 - 3.3. Parton Distribution Function

- Heavy Ion Theory, Bjoern Schenke
- Heavy Ion Experimental, Megan Connors
- Hadron Structure Theory, Alexei Prokudin
- Hadron Structure Experimental, Anselm Vossen

1. Probing Matter

Scattering of protons on protons is like colliding Swiss watches to find out how they are build.



R. Feynman

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Thomson's Plum Pudding Model



Detail of gold foil (Thomson):



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Fixed Target Particle Accelerator Experiments Wave length: 0.01 fm (20 GeV) Resolution: ~ 0.1 fm

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Mott = Rutherford + Spin $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\rm Mott} |F(q^2)|^2$

$$q^2 = (\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2)^2$$

Formfactor: $F(q^2)$ Fourier transform of charge distributions

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Scattered electron is deflected by a known *B*-field and a fixed vertical angle:

determine E'

Spectrometer can rotate in the horizontal plane,

vary heta

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2. Quarks Gluons and QCD



The proton is just 2 up quarks and 1 down quark, ...

"Static" Quark Model

q

Quarks: spin 1/2 fermions, color chargeM. Gell-Mann,
K. Nishijima (> 1964)Baryons:Image: Color chargeM. Gell-Mann,
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Property Quark	d	u	8	с	b	t
Q – electric charge	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$+\frac{2}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$+\frac{2}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$+\frac{2}{3}$
I – isospin	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0	0
I_z – isospin z-component	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$+\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0	0
$S - \mathrm{strangeness}$	0	0	-1	0	0	0
C - charm	0	0	0	+1	0	0
$B-\mathrm{bottomness}$	0	0	0	0	-1	0
T - topness	0	0	0	0	0	+1

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For detailed properties of multi-quark systems the static (constituent) model has failed almost completely and given no predictions which have been verified by experiment.

How can a model be so successful in the quarkantiquark and three quark systems and fail for almost everything else?

What's missing?

 ρ^+

Recall: Quantum Electrodynamic

Theory of electromagnetic interactions

- Exchange particles (photons) do not carry electric charge
- Flux is not confined: V(r) ~ 1/r. F(r) ~ $1/r^2$



Coupling constant (α): Interaction Strength In QED: $\alpha_{em} = 1/137$

Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)

Quantum Chromo Dynamics is the "nearly perfect" fundamental theory of the strong interactions F. Wilczek, hep-ph/9907340

• Three color charges: red, green and blue



Exchange particles (gluons) carry color charge and can self-interaction: QCD significantly harder to analyze than QED
 Flux is confined: V(r) = -4/3 α_s/r + kr long range ~ r

Long range aspect \Rightarrow quark confinement and existence of nucleons

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$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow q \overline{q} g \rightarrow 3$$
-jets





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Understanding QCD ?

$$L_{QCD} = \bar{q}(i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - m)q - g(\bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}T_{a}q)A^{a}_{\mu} - \frac{1}{4}G^{a}_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}_{a}$$

- "Emergent" Phenomena not evident from Lagrangian
- Asymptotic Freedom
 - ► $\alpha_s(Q^2) \sim 1 / \log(Q^2/\Lambda^2)$
 - in vacuum (Q ~ 1/R)
- Confinement
 - Free quarks not observed in nature
 - Quarks only in bound states



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3. Studying Matter at the Smallest Scale

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$$s = (k+p)^2 \approx 4E_e E_p$$

 square of center-ofmass energy of electron-hadron system



$$Q^{2} = -q^{2} = -(k - k')^{2}$$
$$\approx 4EE' \sin^{2}\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

- 4-momentum transfer from scattered electron
- invariant mass sq. of γ^*
- "Resolution" power
- Virtuality
 - real photon Q = 0



$$y = \frac{pq}{pk} = 1 - \frac{E'_e}{E_e} \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta'_e}{2}\right)$$

- Inelasticity
- Fraction of electron's energy lost in nucleon restframe
- 0 < y < 1



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

• Bjorken-x

 x is fraction of the nucleon's momentum carried by the struck quark



- x: momentum fraction of partonQ²: resolution power
- y: inelasticity
- s: center-of-mass energy sq.

$$Q^2 \approx s \cdot x \cdot y$$

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N.B.: This picture was developed in the "infinite momentum frame" (IMF). That works nicely when one assume massless quarks and gluons (partons). Despite all this it is also used for example for massive charm quarks. Some care has to be taken and x needs to be "adjusted".

The x-Q² Plane



- Low-x reach requires large \sqrt{s}
- Large-Q² reach requires large \sqrt{s}
- y at colliders typically limited to 0.95 < y < 0.01

Structure Functions

Inclusive e+p collisions:

(only scattered electron is measured, rest ignored)

$$\frac{d^{2}\sigma^{ep \rightarrow eX}}{dxdQ^{2}} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_{e.m.}^{2}}{xQ^{4}} \left[\left(1 - y + \frac{y^{2}}{2} \right) F_{2}(x,Q^{2}) - \frac{y^{2}}{2} F_{L}(x,Q^{2}) \right]$$
quark+anti-quark
momentum distributions
gluon momentum
distribution

F2 and FL are key in understanding the structure of hadrons

N.B.: At very high energies a 3rd structure function comes into play: F₃ Ignored here and in the rest

More Practical: Reduced Cross-Section

Inclusive Cross-Section:

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^{eA \to eX}}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{4\pi \alpha^2}{xQ^4} \left[\left(1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) F_2(x, Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{2} F_L(x, Q^2) \right]$$

Reduced Cross-Section:

$$\sigma_r = \left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{dxdQ^2}\right) \frac{xQ^4}{2\pi\alpha^2 [1+(1-y)^2]} = F_2(x,Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{1+(1-y)^2} F_L(x,Q^2)$$

$$\sigma_r(x,Q^2) = F_2^A(x,Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{Y^+} F_L^A(x,Q^2)$$

Rosenbluth Separation:

- Recall Q² = x y s
- Measure at different \sqrt{s}
- Plot σ_{red} versus y2/Y⁺ for fixed x, Q²
- F₂ is σ_{red} at y2/Y⁺ = 0
- F_L = Slope of y2/Y⁺



Studying Matter at the Smallest Scales

ep/eA Collider Experiments Wave Length: 0.0001 fm (10 GeV + 100 GeV) Resolution: ~ 0.01-0.001 fm







Bjorken Scaling: $F_2(x, Q^2) \rightarrow F_2(x)$ virtual photon interacts with a single essentially free quark



Point-like particles cannot be further resolved.

Their measurement does not depend on wavelength, hence Q² independence.





Structure functions allows us to extract the quark $q(x,Q^2)$ and gluon $g(x,Q^2)$ distributions (PDFs). In LO: Probability to find parton with x, Q² in proton

PDF: Connecting experiment (e.g. pp) with theory



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What is Needed:

- Good data
 - Best: F₂ (ep), jets, Drell-Yan (pp)
 - Bad: Hadrons
- pQCD Calculation of the processes
 LO, NLO, NNLO
- QCD Evolution Equations
 - DGLAP: Evolution in Q² (small to large) at fixed x (integrodifferential equations)
 - BFKL: Evolution in x at fixed Q²



Figure 1.1: The processes related to the lowest order QCD splitting functions. Each splitting function $P_{p'p}(x/z)$ gives the probability that a parton of type p converts into a parton of type p', carrying fraction x/z of the momentum of parton p



- Quarks: q_i(x,Q²) from F₂ (or reduced cross-section)
- Gluons: g(x,Q²) through scaling violation: dF²/dlnQ²



pQC *F*₂
 *dF*₂/*dlnQ*² + DGLAP Evolution $f(x, Q_1^2) \rightarrow f(x, Q_2^2)$

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Proton is almost entirely glue for x<0.1

Here goes the naive picture that protons are made of 3 quarks (recall static quark model)

Hera's Impact



PDFs: Much Progress, Still Shortcomings

CTEQ14: a modern proton PDF



- Large uncertainties at x=10⁻³ and 10⁻⁴ at the small Q² although high quality data exist.
- The precision of low Q² data is ineffectual due to the lack of data at the larger Q² (Evolution from low to high Q²)

Uncertainties from PDF dominate many "BSM" searches

Strong Evidence that QCD is the Correct Theory



to be continued ...