

The Quark-Antiquark Asymmetry of the Nucleon Strange Sea

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1. Introduction

- A **frustrating aspect** of **DIS analysis** is that **perturbative QCD** can predict only the Q^2 -dependence of PDF, and it can say nothing about **PDF at a prescribed energy scale**
- To predict PDF themselves need to solve **nonperturbative QCD**, which is an extremely difficult theoretical problem
- At present, we cannot be too much **ambitious**, but still we can do **qualitatively interesting investigations** !

This is main objective of my present talk !

key observation

- In their semi-phenomenological fit, Glück, Reya and Vogt prepared the **initial PDF** at pretty **low energy scale** of $Q^2 \simeq (600 \text{ MeV})^2$ in contrast to the common sense of perturbative QCD, and concluded that
- **sea-quark (or antiquark) components** are **absolutely necessary even at this low energy scale** !

- Even the **isospin asymmetry** of the **sea-quark distributions** are established by the **NMC measurement**
- The origin of this **sea-quark asymmetry** is definitely **non-perturbative**, and it **cannot be radiatively generated** through the perturbative QCD evolution processes



need **low energy (nonperturbative) mechanism**

generating sea-quark distributions

best candidate

- **Chiral Quark Soliton Model** (CQSM) is the **simplest** and **most powerful** effective model of QCD which fulfills the above requirement
- Although it is still a **toy model** in the sense that the **gluon degrees of freedom** are only **implicitly** treated, it has several nice features that are not possessed by other effective models like MIT bag model
- **field theoretical nature** of the model (i.e. proper account of **Dirac sea quarks**) enables



reasonable estimation of **antiquark distributions**

2. Fundamentals of Chiral Quark Soliton Model

milestone in the history of CQSM

[1988] D. Diakonov, V. Petrov and P. Poblitsa

- **proposal of the model** based on
instanton picture of QCD vacuum
(\Leftrightarrow **Skyrme model**, Hybrid chiral bag model, \dots)

[1991] M. W and H. Yoshiki

- **numerical basis** for **nonperturbative evaluation** of nucleon observables including **vacuum polarization**
- **spin contents of the nucleon**

[1993] M. W and T. Watabe

- discovery of **novel $1/N_c$ correction**
— **resolution of g_A -problem** —

[1996,1997] D. Diakonov et al.

- application to **PDF** of the nucleon

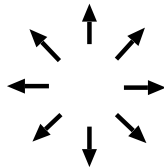
basic lagrangian of flavor SU(2) CQSM

$$\mathcal{L}_{CQM} = \bar{\psi} (i \not{\partial} - M e^{i \gamma_5 \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi}(x) / f_\pi}) \psi$$

no kinetic term for $\boldsymbol{\pi}(x)$

Soliton construction

1st step : start with static $\boldsymbol{\pi}(\mathbf{x})$ of **hedgehog shape**



$$\boldsymbol{\pi}(\mathbf{x}) = \hat{\mathbf{r}} F(r)$$

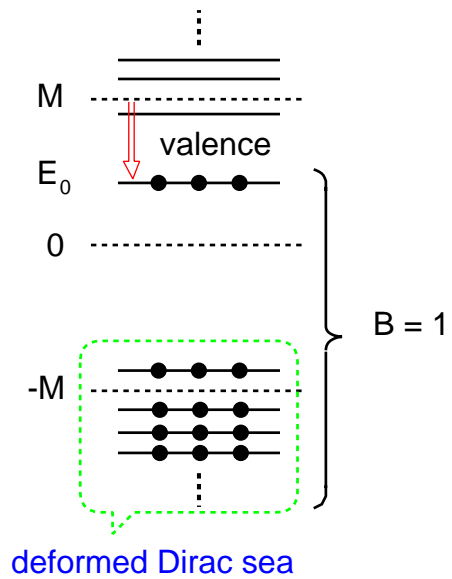
M.F. for quarks

Dirac eq.

$$H |m\rangle = E_m |m\rangle$$

$$H = \frac{\boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \nabla}{i} + M\beta (\cos F(r) + i \gamma_5 \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \sin F(r))$$

breaks “rotational” invariance



- The problem is reduced to a **self-consistent Hartree one** including all the **negative energy Dirac-sea** orbitals

2nd step : quantize **collective rotational motion**



physical N and Δ

model need regularization

Pauli-Villars regularization with

physical cutoff mass M_{PV}

— M_{PV} is uniquely fixed to reproduce f_π —

quark distribution functions : $(-1 < x < 1)$

$$q(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz^0 e^{ix M_N z^0} \times \underbrace{\langle N(\mathbf{P}) | \psi^\dagger(\mathbf{0}) O \psi(\mathbf{z}) | N(\mathbf{P}) \rangle}_{|z^3 = -z^0, z_\perp = 0}$$

nucleon matrix element of **bilocal operator**



path integral formulation of the model enables us to take full account of this **nonlocality in time** !

3. Comparison with High Energy Data

- **only 1 parameter** of the CQSM (dynamical quark mass M) is fixed from the analyses of **nucleon LE observables**

$$M = 375 \text{ MeV} \quad (\text{this fixes } M_{PV} \simeq 562 \text{ MeV})$$

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parameter free predictions for PDF

- use predictions of CQSM as **initial-scale distributions**

$$u(x), \bar{u}(x), d(x), \bar{d}(x), \Delta u(x), \Delta \bar{u}(x), \Delta d(x), \Delta \bar{d}(x)$$

$$s(x) = \bar{s}(x) = \mathbf{0}, g(x) = \mathbf{0}, \Delta s(x) = \Delta \bar{s}(x) = \mathbf{0}, \Delta g(x) = \mathbf{0}$$

- **scale dependence of PDF** : (setting $N_c = 3$)

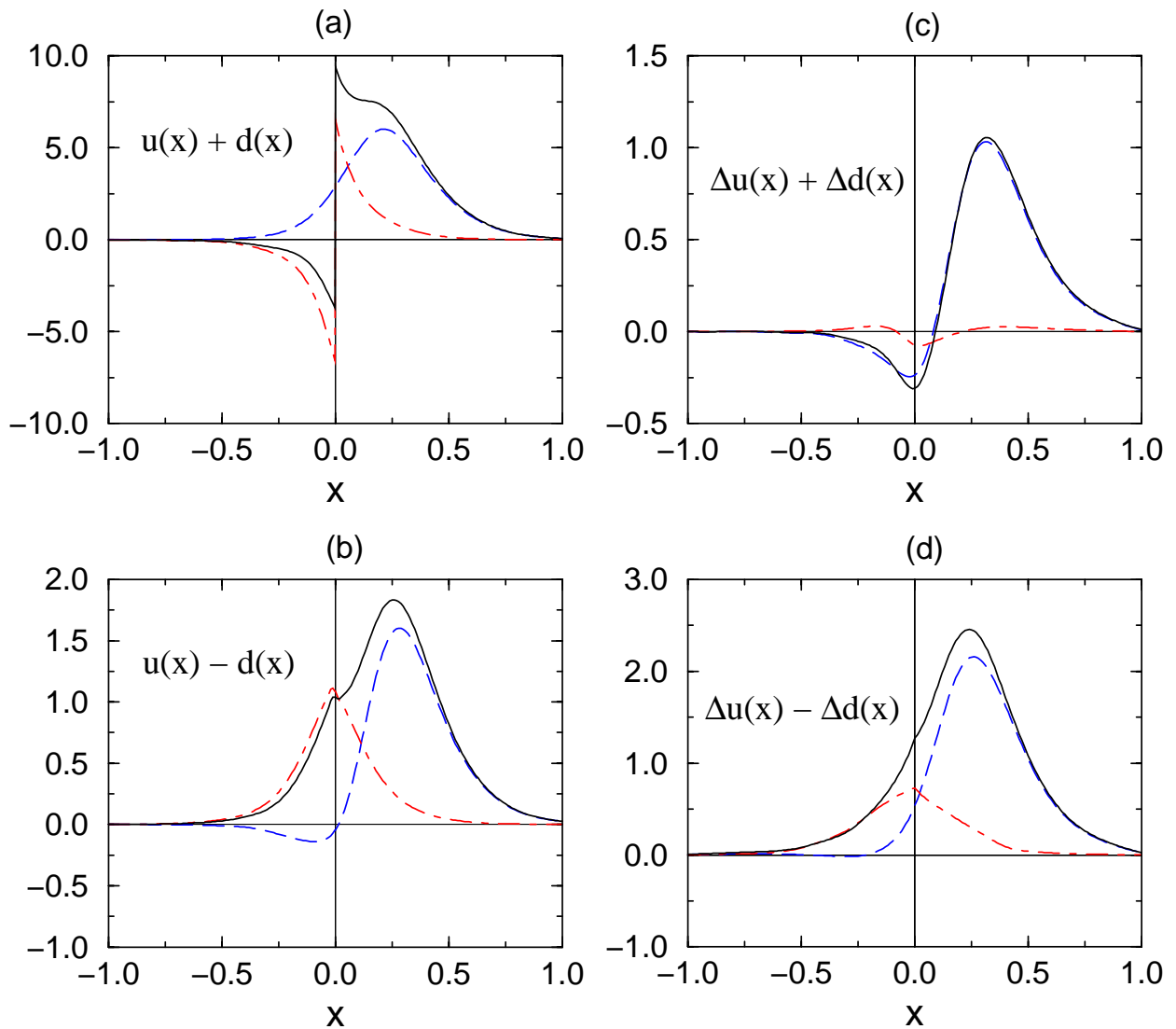
Fortran Program of **DGLAP** eqs. at **NLO**

provided by Saga group

initial energy scale is fixed to be

$$Q_{ini}^2 = 0.30 \text{ GeV}^2 \simeq (550 \text{ MeV})^2$$

Parameter-free model predictions for twist-2 PDF

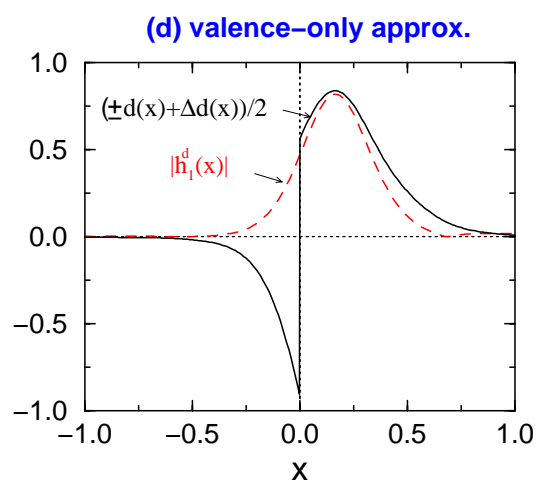
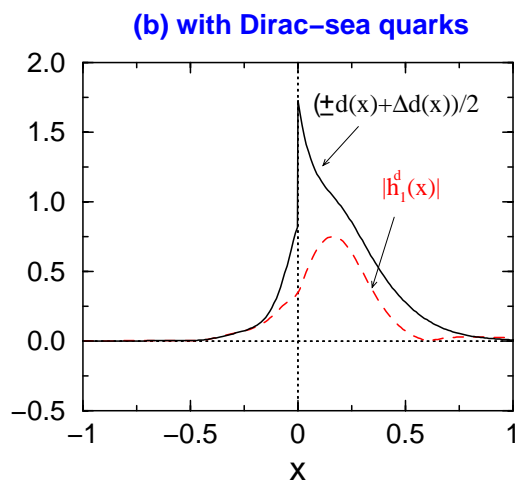
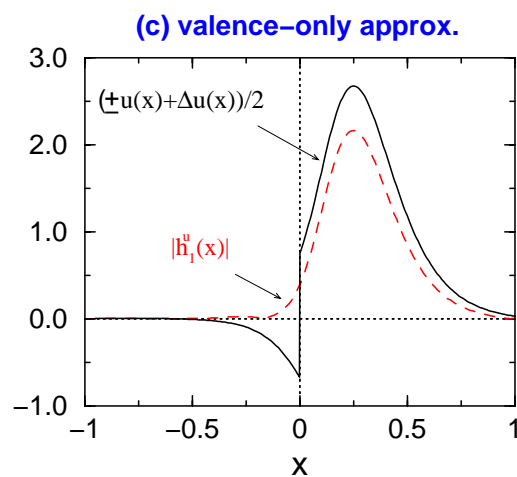
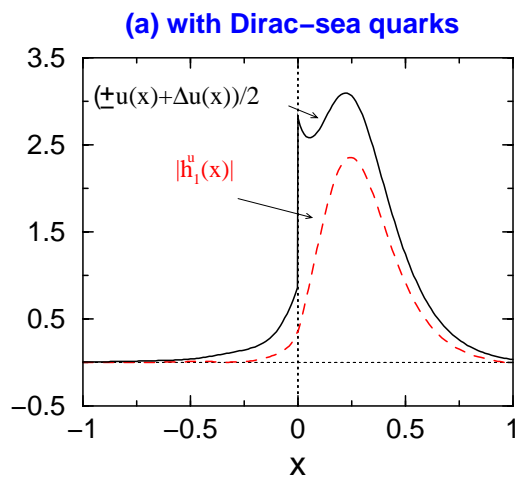


$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u(-x) \pm d(-x) = - [\bar{u}(x) \pm \bar{d}(x)] \quad (0 < x < 1) \\ \Delta u(-x) \pm \Delta d(-x) = \Delta \bar{u}(x) \pm \Delta \bar{d}(x) \quad (0 < x < 1) \end{array} \right.$$

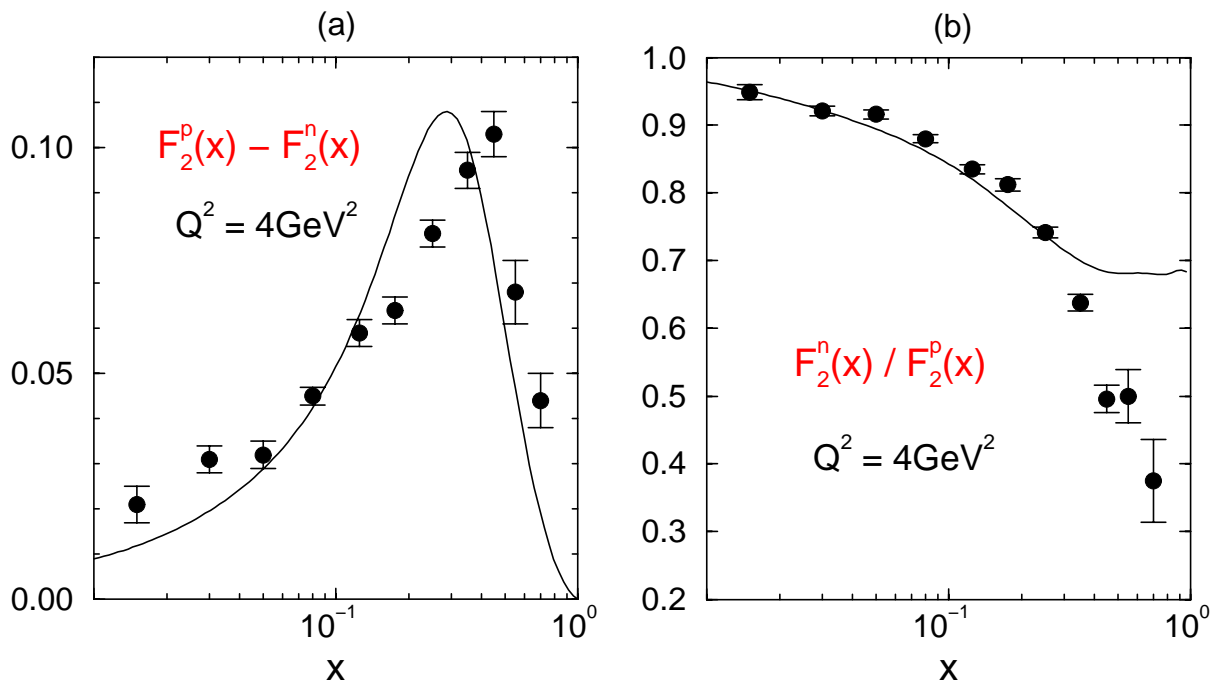
Soffer inequality for twist-2 PDF

- $q(x)$: unpolarized distribution
- $\Delta q(x)$: longitudinally polarized distribution
- $\delta q(x)$: **transversity distribution**

$$|\pm \delta q(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2} (\pm q(x) + \Delta q(x)) \quad \begin{cases} x > 0 \\ x < 0 \end{cases}$$



direct comparison with NMC data



Gottfried sum

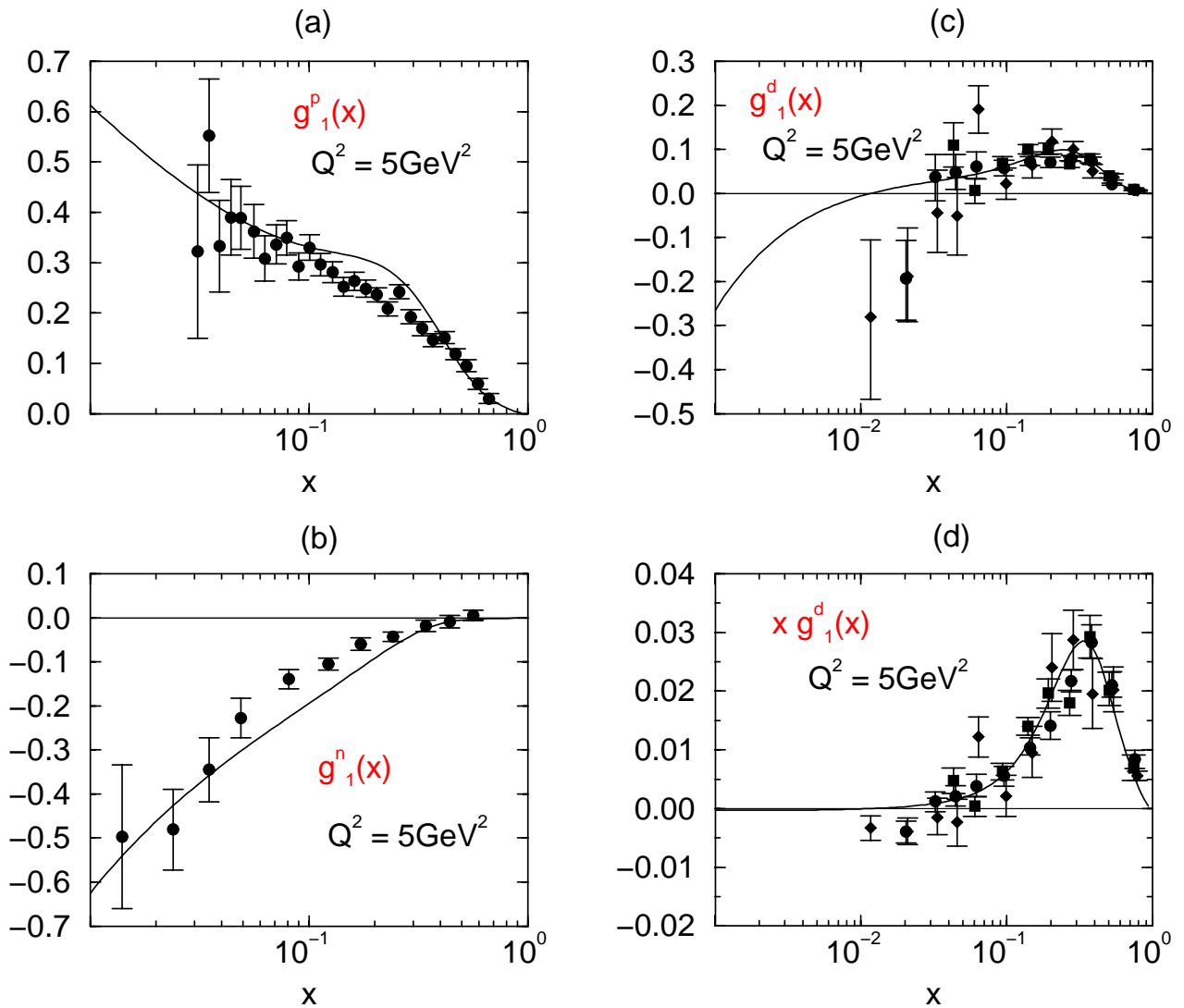
$$S_G = \int_0^1 \frac{F_2^p(x) - F_2^n(x)}{x} dx = \frac{1}{3} + \int_0^1 \{ \bar{u}(x) - \bar{d}(x) \}$$

$$S_G^{th}(Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2) \simeq \mathbf{0.204} < \frac{1}{3}$$

\Updownarrow

$$S_G^{exp}(Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2) = \mathbf{0.228} \pm 0.007$$

comparison with **EMC** and **SMC** data



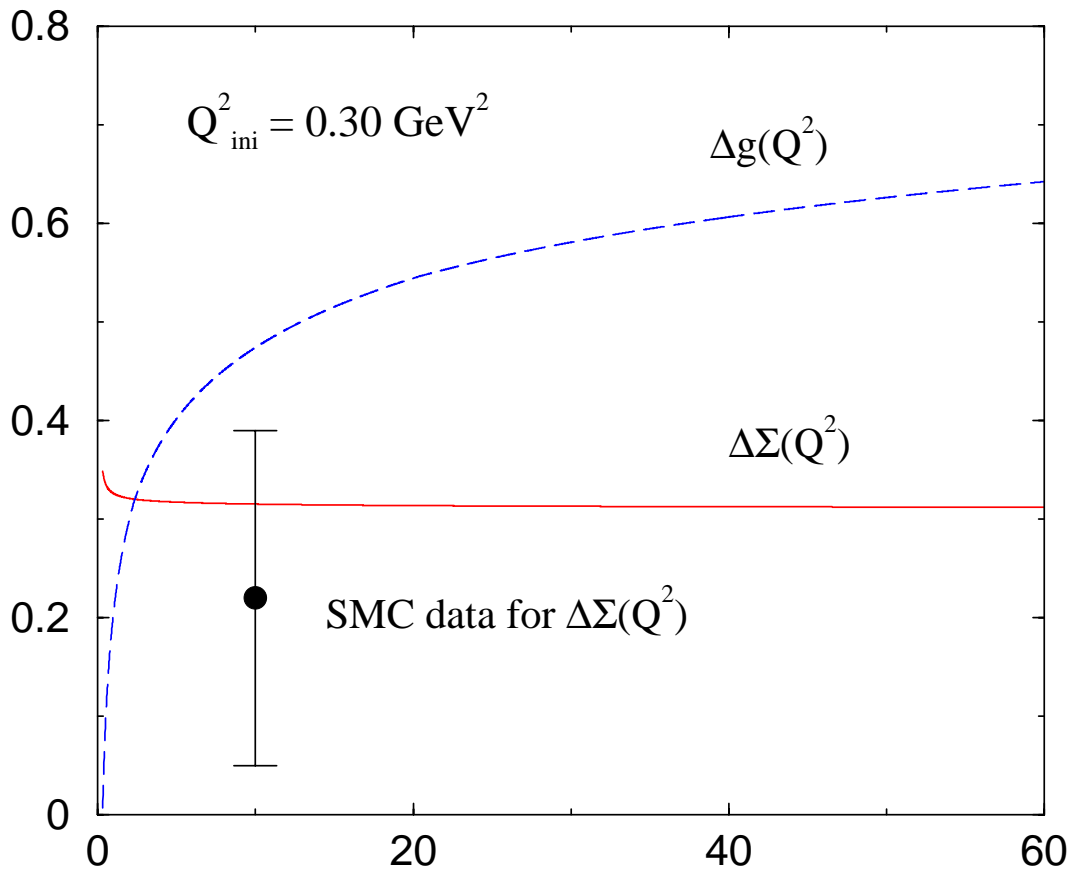
- good reproduction of **neutron data** !

— manifestation of **chiral symmetry** —

- **sign change** of $g_1^d(x)$ at **small x** !

NLO evolution of $\Delta\Sigma$ and Δg

- $\Delta\Sigma = 0.35$
 - $\Delta g = 0$
- } at $Q_{ini}^2 = 0.30 \text{ GeV}^2$



comparison with SMC analysis

$$\Delta\Sigma(Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2) = 0.31 \iff \Delta\Sigma_{SMC} = 0.22 \pm 0.17$$

natural question after NMC observation

Do we expect **light flavor sea-quark asymmetry** also for the **spin dependent PDF** ?

answer of CQSM is **Yes !**

$$\Delta\bar{u}(x) - \Delta\bar{d}(x) > 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \Delta\bar{u}(x) > 0, \Delta\bar{d}(x) < 0$$

which seems **consistent** with some semi-phenomenological analyses using **semi-inclusive data** by

- T. Morii, T. Yamanishi, Phys. Rev. D61 (2000) 057501
- R.S. Bhalerao, Phys. Rev. C63 (2001) 025208

but it **contradicts** the predictions of the **meson cloud convolution model** which predicts

$$\Delta\bar{u}(x) - \Delta\bar{d}(x) \quad : \quad \text{small or negative}$$

- R.J. Fries, A. Schäfer, Phys. Lett. B443 (1998) 40
- S. Kumano, M. Miyama, hep-ph / 0110097

Summary of SU(2) CQSM

without any adjustable parameter, the model reproduces

- NMC data for $F_2^p(x) - F_2^n(x), F_2^n(x)/F_2^p(x)$
- qualitative behavior of experimentally measured longitudinally **polarized** structure functions $g_1^p(x), g_1^n(x), g_1^d(x)$
- **small quark spin fraction of the nucleon**

$$\Delta\Sigma^{th}(Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2) = 0.31 \Leftrightarrow \Delta\Sigma_{SMC}(Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2) = 0.22 \pm 0.17$$

in no need of large gluon polarization
at low energy scale

a unique prediction

- **large isospin asymmetry** of **spin-dependent sea**

$$\Delta\bar{u}(x) > 0 > \Delta\bar{d}(x)$$



contradicts the prediction of **Meson Cloud Model**

4. Strange quark distributions in the nucleon

flavor SU(2) CQSM ignores interesting possibility of

hidden strangeness excitations in nucleon



flavor SU(3) generalization of CQSM

which is constructed on the basis of SU(2) CQSM with

some **additional dynamical assumptions**

model lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}(x) (i \not{\partial} - M U^{\gamma_5}(x) - \Delta m_s P_s) \psi(x)$$

with

$$U^{\gamma_5}(x) = e^{i \gamma_5 \pi(x)/f_\pi}, \quad \pi(x) = \pi_a(x) \lambda_a \quad (a = 1, \dots, 8)$$

$$\Delta m_s P_s = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & \\ & 0 & \\ & & \Delta m_s \end{pmatrix} : \quad \text{SU(3) breaking term}$$

basic dynamical assumptions

- (1) **lowest energy classical solution** is obtained by
embedding of SU(2) hedgehog solution

$$U_0^{\gamma_5}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\gamma_5 \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} F(r)} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (2) **quantization of symmetry restoring rotation**
in **SU(3) collective coordinate space**

$$U^{\gamma_5}(\mathbf{x}, t) = A(t) U_0^{\gamma_5}(\mathbf{x}) A^\dagger(t)$$

with

$$A(t) = e^{-i\Omega t}, \quad \Omega = \frac{1}{2} \Omega_a \lambda_a \in \text{SU}(3)$$

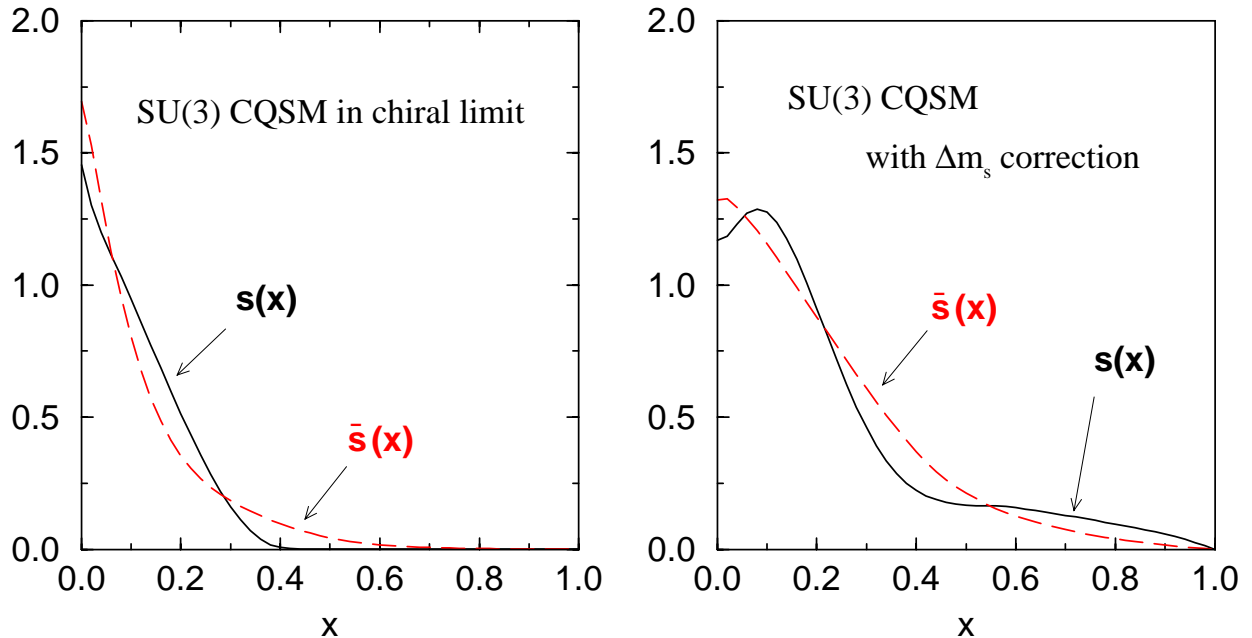
- (3) **perturbative treatment of SU(3) breaking term**

$$\Delta\tilde{H} = \Delta m_s \cdot \gamma^0 A^\dagger(t) \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \lambda_8 \right) A(t)$$

$$\Delta m_s = 150 \text{ MeV}$$

theoretical strange quark distributions

(A) unpolarized distribution



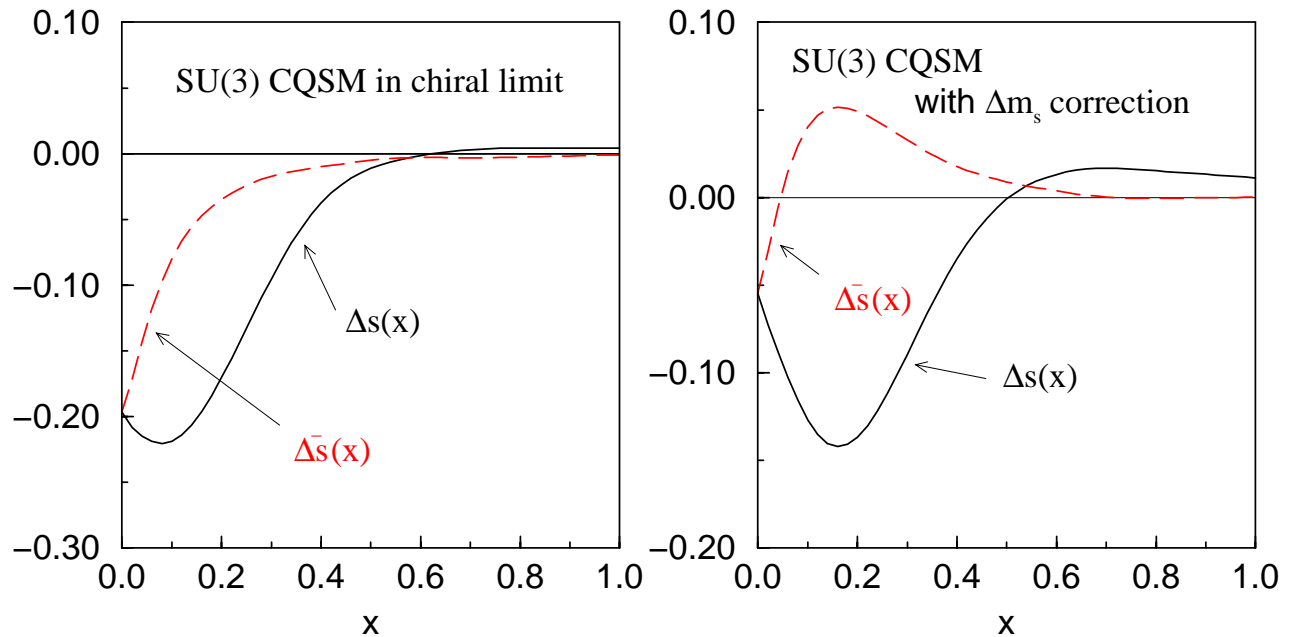
- $s - \bar{s}$ asymmetry of the **unpolarized** distribution functions certainly exists
- difference $s(x) - \bar{s}(x)$ has **complicated x dependence** with several **zeros**, due to the **restrictions** :

$$s(x) > 0, \quad \bar{s}(x) > 0 \quad : \quad \text{positivity constraint}$$

$$\int [s(x) - \bar{s}(x)] dx = 0 \quad : \quad \text{strangeness conservation}$$

- $s(x) - \bar{s}(x)$ is very **sensitive to SU(3) breaking**

(B) longitudinally polarized distributions



- $\Delta s(x)$ is **large and negative**
- $\Delta \bar{s}(x)$ is very sensitive to SU(3) breaking effect
 - { **slightly negative** without Δm_s correction
 - { **slightly positive** with Δm_s correction

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- $s - \bar{s}$ asymmetry of the **longitudinally polarized** distribution is **more profound** than the **unpolarized one**
- there exists **large asymmetry** between $\Delta s(x)$ and $\Delta \bar{s}(x)$

simple argument of Brodsky and Ma

— **light-cone meson-baryon fluctuation model** —

$$p(1/2^+) \longleftrightarrow \overbrace{K^+(0^-) \Lambda(1/2^+)}^{L = \text{odd}}$$

virtual $K^+ \Lambda$ state : (L=1)

$$\begin{aligned} |K^+ \Lambda (J = \frac{1}{2}, J_z = \frac{1}{2})\rangle &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |L = 1, L_z = 1\rangle |S = \frac{1}{2}, S_z = -\frac{1}{2}\rangle \\ &- \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} |L = 1, L_z = 0\rangle |S = \frac{1}{2}, S_z = +\frac{1}{2}\rangle \end{aligned}$$

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- $P(S_\Lambda = \downarrow) = \mathbf{2} P(S_\Lambda = \uparrow)$ in $K^+ \Lambda$ state $\Rightarrow \mathbf{S}_\Lambda < \mathbf{0}$

- since $\Lambda [uds]$ **spin** comes from **s-quark**

$$\Delta s < \mathbf{0}$$

- since \bar{s} -quark is contained in $K^+[u\bar{s}]$ with **0 spin**

$$\Delta \bar{s} = \mathbf{0}$$

♣ **Note** that the similar argument on **pion clouds** lead to

$$\Delta \bar{d}(x) = \Delta \bar{u}(x) = \mathbf{0}$$

because \bar{d} and \bar{u} are in **spin 0 pions**, in sharp contrast to the prediction of the **CQSM** such that $\Delta \bar{u}(x) > \mathbf{0} > \Delta \bar{d}(x)$!

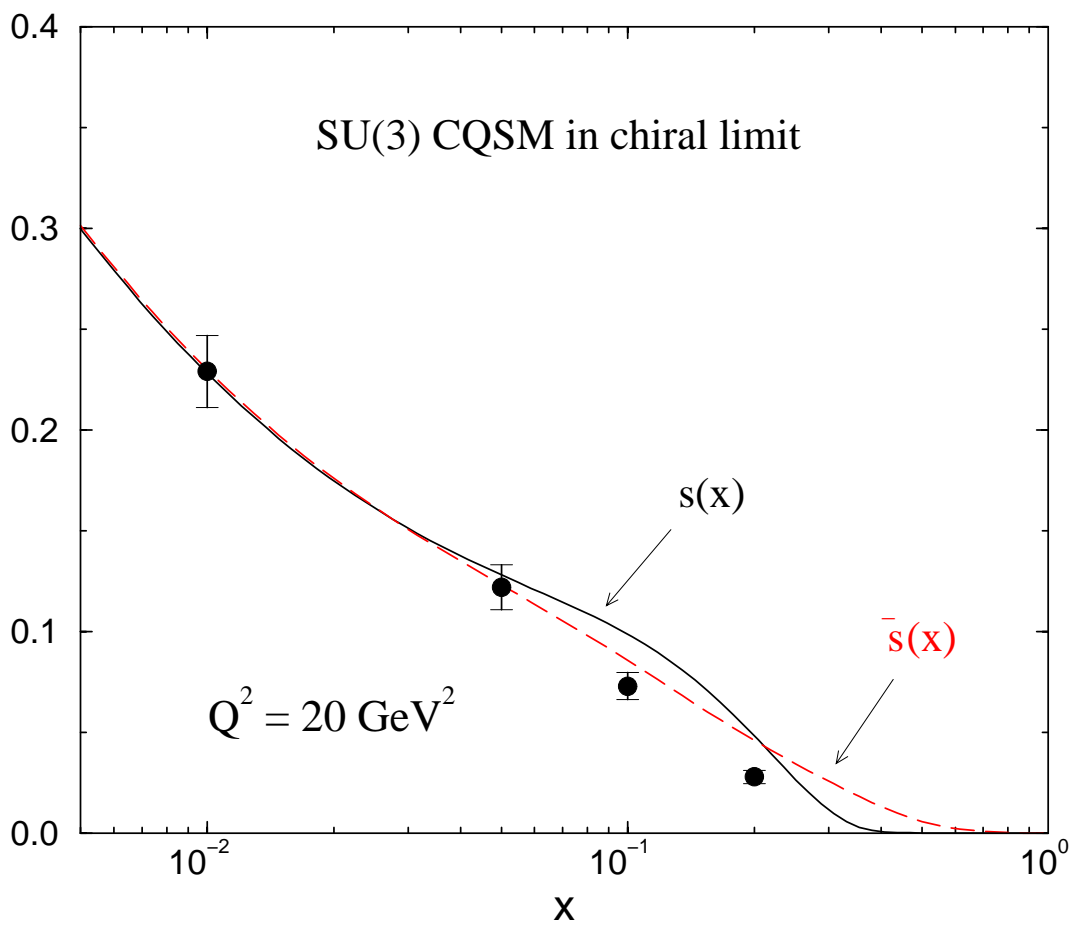
preliminary comparison with existing data

theoretical distributions $s(x)$ and $\bar{s}(x)$ at $Q^2 = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$

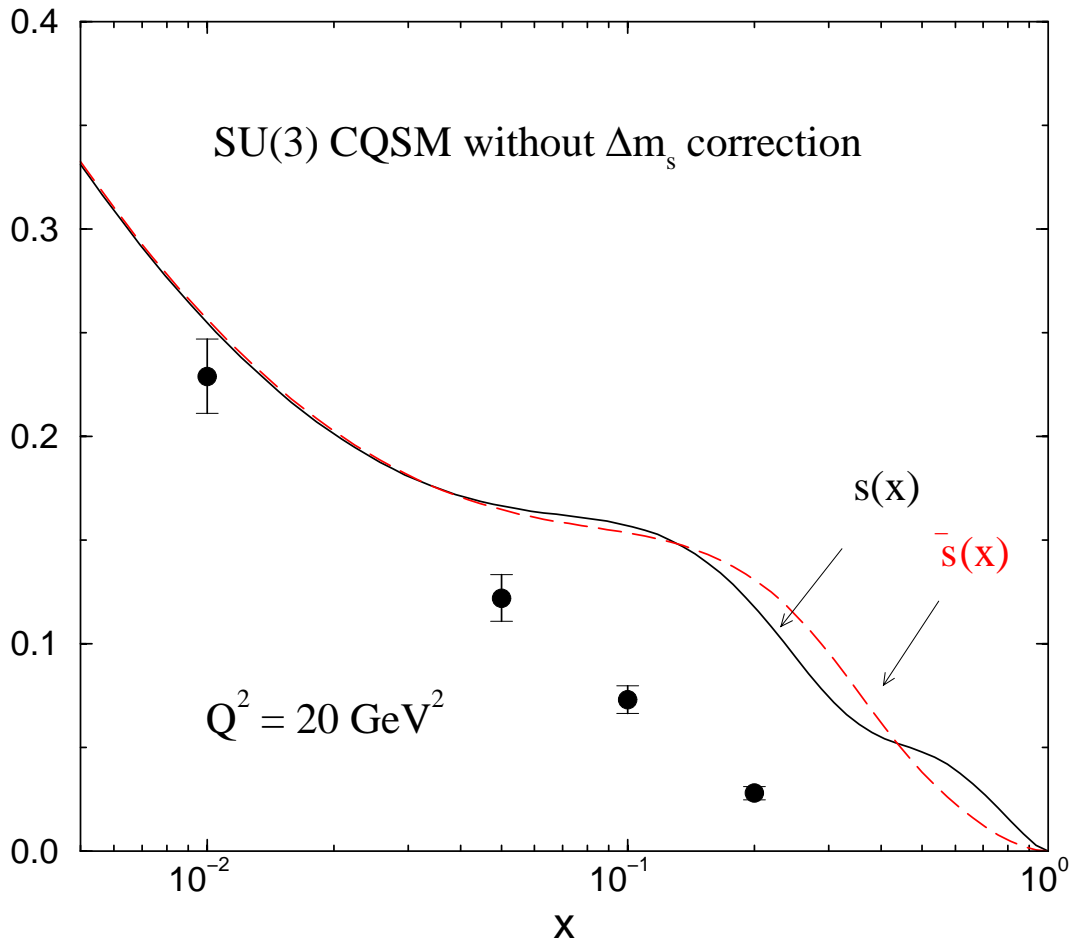
CCFR analysis of **neutrino-induced charm productions**

with the constraint $\bar{s}(x) = s(x)$

A.O. Bazarko et al., CCFR Collab., Z. Phys. C65 (1995) 189



inclusion of SU(3) symmetry breaking correction



- **Contrary to our naive expectation, Δm_s correction increases both $s(x)$ and $\bar{s}(x)$, and the agreement with the CCFR fit becomes worse ?**



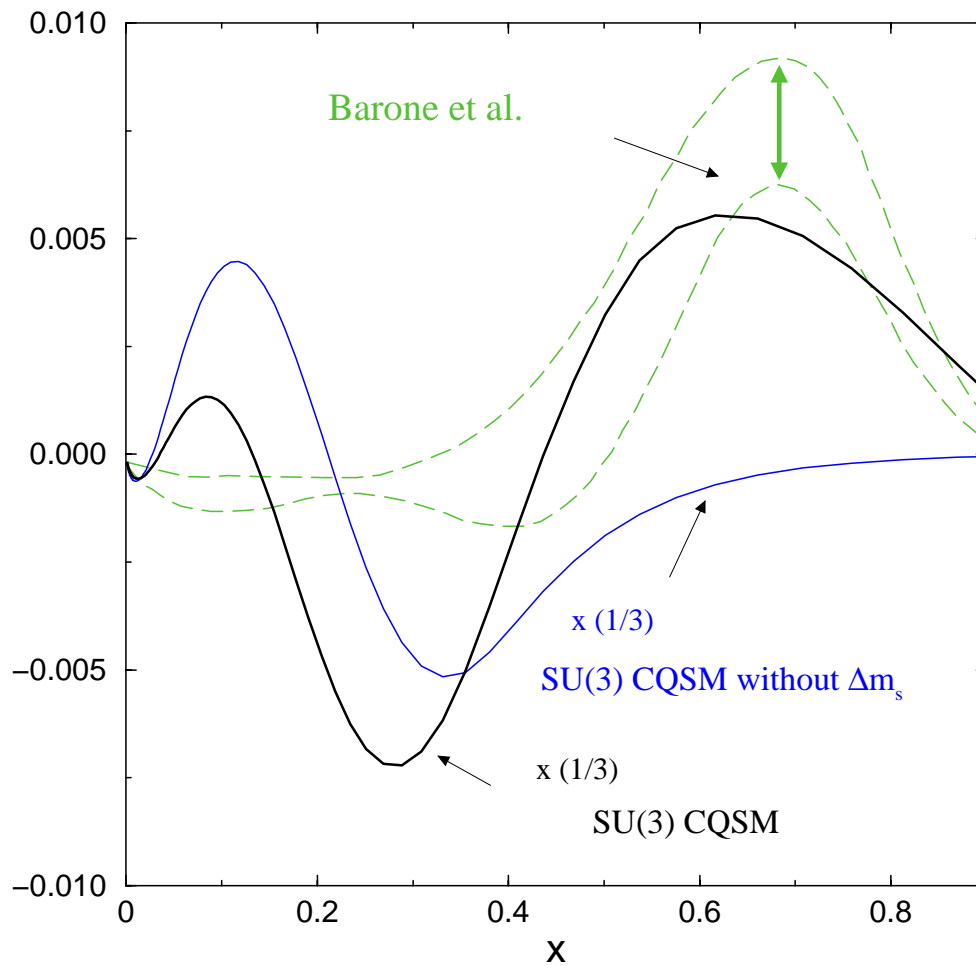
justification of **perturbative treatment** of Δm_s correction ?

comparison with global analysis by

- V. Barone et al., Eur. Phys. J. C12 (2000) 243

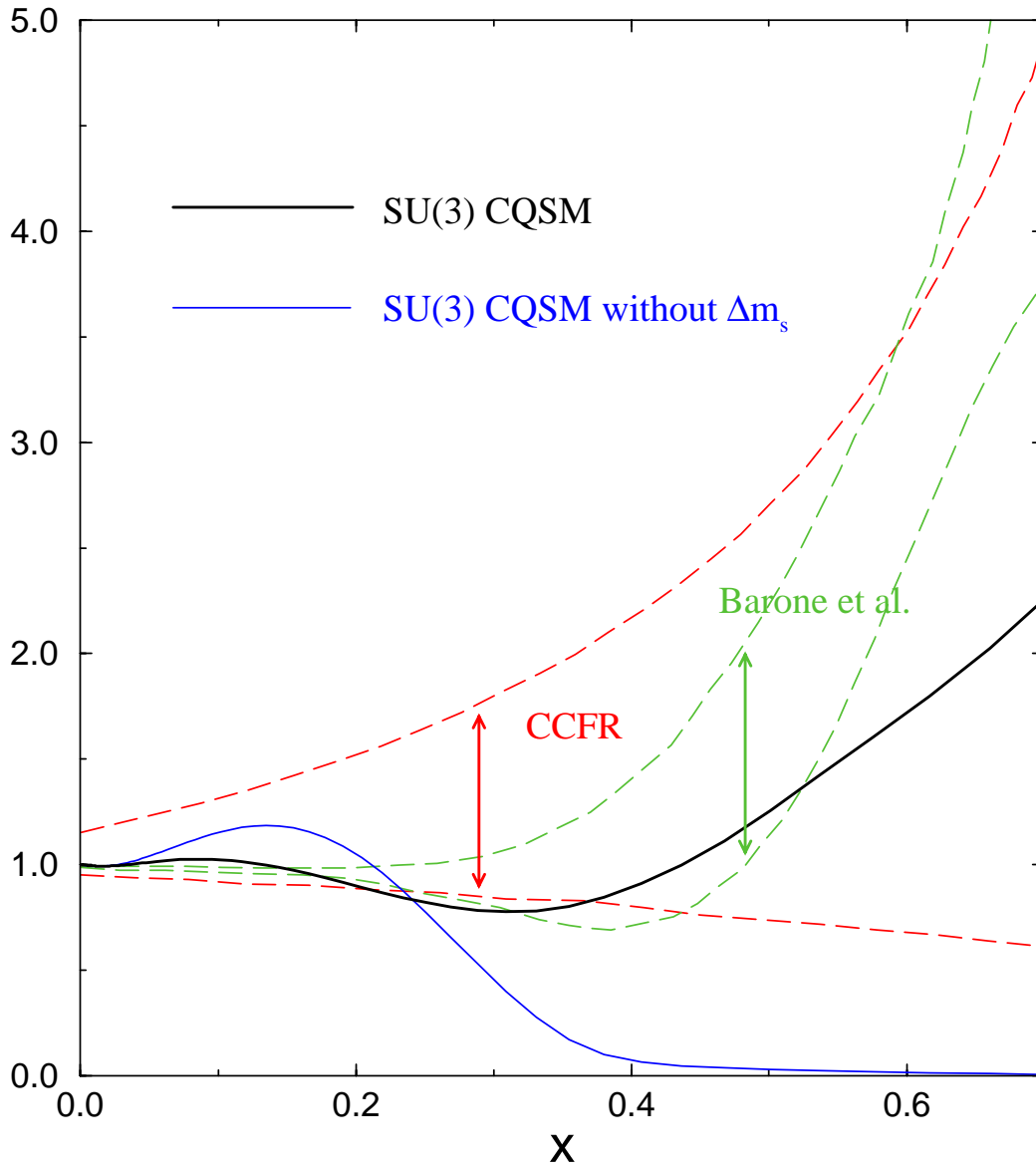
difference of $s(x)$ and $\bar{s}(x)$

$x [s(x) - \bar{s}(x)]$ at $Q^2 = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$



ratio of $s(x)$ and $\bar{s}(x)$

$s(x) / \bar{s}(x)$ at $Q^2 = 20\text{GeV}^2$

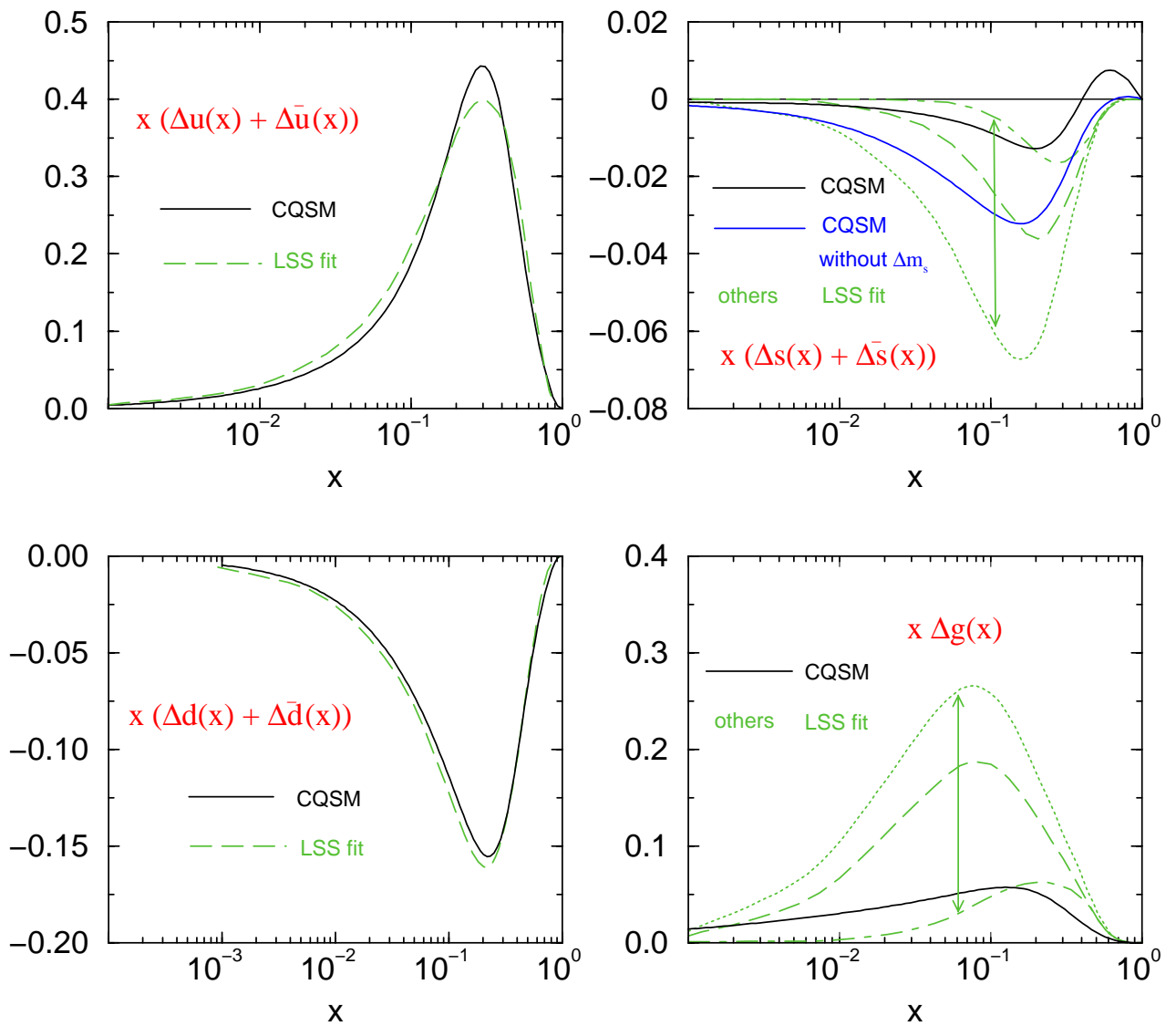


LSS NLO fits of polarized DIS data at $Q^2 = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

E. Leader, A.V. Sidorov, D.B. Stamenov, P.L. B488 (2000) 283

relaxing groundless assumptions of past analyses like

— **flavor symmetric sea** —

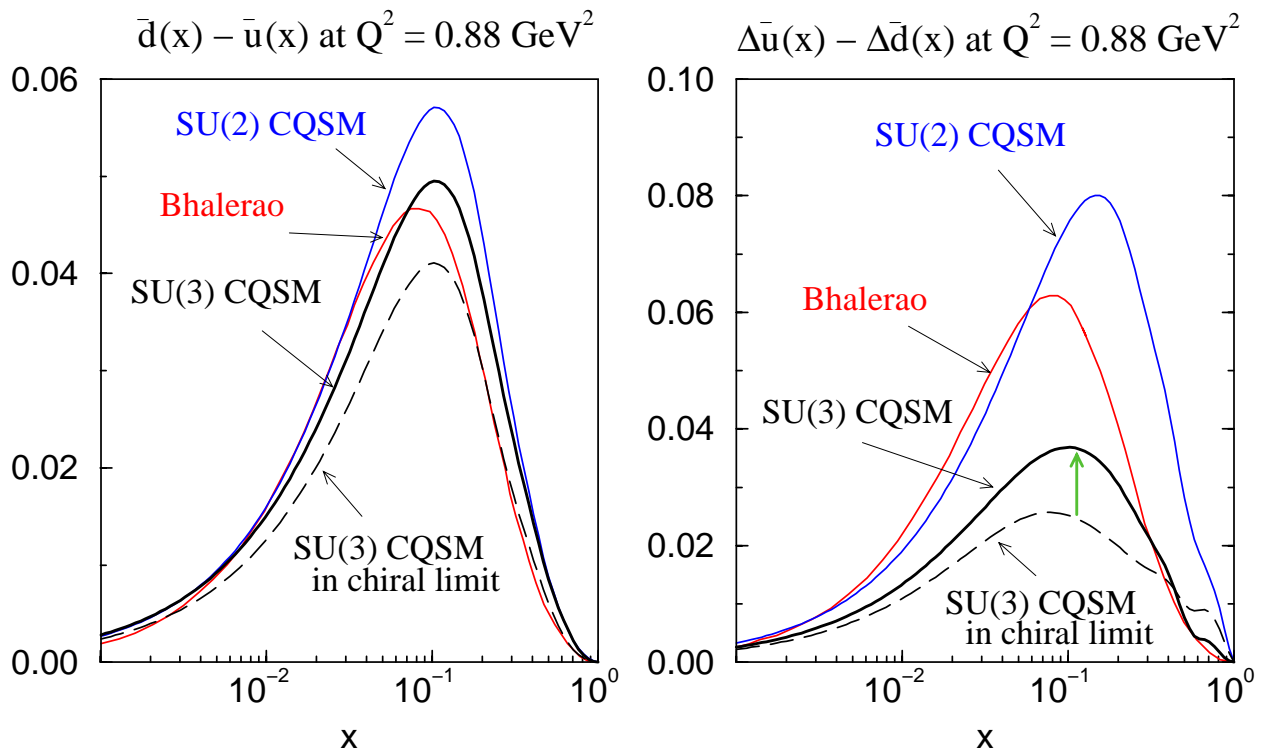


turning back to **isospin asymmetry** of sea quark distributions

$$\text{SU(2) CQSM predicts} \quad \begin{cases} \bar{u}(x) - \bar{d}(x) < 0 \\ \Delta\bar{u}(x) - \Delta\bar{d}(x) > 0 \end{cases}$$

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SU(3) CQSM ?



statistical model with phenomenological inputs

R.S. Bhalerao, P.R. C63 (2000) 025208

5. Conclusion

♣ An **incomparable** feature of the Chiral Quark Soliton Model as compared with other effective models like the MIT bag model is that it can give reasonable predictions also for the **antiquark distribution functions**

- **positivity constraint** for $\bar{u}(x) + \bar{d}(x)$
- **Soffer inequality** for antiquarks

♣ This feature is essential also for giving any reliable predictions for **strange** distributions in the nucleon, which totally have

non-valence character

SU(3) CQSM predicts

- $s(x) - \bar{s}(x)$ has some **oscillatory x dependence** due to
 - * **positivity constraint** for $s(x)$ and $\bar{s}(x)$
 - * **strangeness quantum number conservation**
- **x dependence** of $s(x) - \bar{s}(x)$ and $s(x)/\bar{s}(x)$ are qualitatively consistent with global analysis of **Barone et al.**

- s - \bar{s} asymmetry of longitudinally polarized sea is more **profound** than that of unpolarized sea

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta s(x) : \text{large and negative !} \\ \Delta \bar{s}(x) : \text{slightly positive ?} \end{array} \right.$$

- model also predicts **large isospin asymmetric sea**

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \bar{u}(x) - \bar{d}(x) < \mathbf{0} \\ \Delta \bar{u}(x) - \Delta \bar{d}(x) > \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right\} \text{ in proton}$$

Important lesson

nonperturbative QCD dynamics due to spontaneous χ SB manifests **most clearly** in the **spin & flavor dependence**

of

antiquark distributions

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What is **absolutely** required in future experiments is

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{flavor} \\ \text{valence} \oplus \text{sea} \end{array} \right\} \text{ decomposition of PDF}$$