Probing the deuteron at very short distances

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Introduction: Role of the Deuteron

A key system to investigate the core of the NN interaction

Classical method: 'measure' the momentum distribution \Rightarrow study the d(e,e'p) reaction

$$\rho(\vec{p}) = C \int \psi(\vec{r}) e^{-i\vec{r}\cdot\vec{p}} d^3r$$

Very small $\vec{r} \Rightarrow$ very large \vec{p}



D(e,e'p) in PWIA

$$\frac{d^{5}\sigma}{d\omega d\Omega_{e}d\Omega_{p}} = k\sigma_{ep}\rho(p_{r})$$
Plane Wave IA:
• Hit nucleon does not interact with the recoiling system
• Described by a plane wave
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$$\vec{p}_{r} = \vec{p}_{m}$$
Conventional Experimental Momentum distributions:
$$\rho(p_{r})_{exp} = \sigma_{red} = \frac{\sigma_{exp}}{k\sigma_{ep}}$$

Momentum Distributions



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Missing Momentum Dependences

Mini-Review: W.B. and M.Sargsian, International Journal of Modern Physics E Vol. 24, No. 3 (2015) 1530003







WB et al. PRL 107 (2011) 262501

Data: Egyian et al. (CLAS) PRL 98 (2007)



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 σ_{red} scaled by factors of 10 for display



Future Experiment at 12 GeV in Hall C

- Determine cross sections at missing momenta up to 1 GeV/c
- Measure at well defined kinematic settings
- Selected kinematics to minimize contributions from FSI
- Selected kinematics to minimize effects of delta excitation
 - Beam: 11 GeV, 80μA
 - Electron Detector: SHMS at p_{cen} = 9.32 GeV/c
 - $\theta_e = 11.68^\circ$, Q² = 4.25 (GeV/c)², x = 1.35
 - Proton Detector: HMS $1.96 \le p_{cen} \le 2.3 \text{ GeV/c}$
 - p_m = 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0 GeV/c
 - Angles: $63.5^{\circ} \ge \theta_{p} \ge 53.1$
 - Target: 15 cm LHD

Angular Distributions up to $p_m = 1 \text{GeV/c}$



FSI uncertainties





Expected Results



- ✓ Measured cross sections for p_m up to 1 GeV/c
- ✓ Errors: dominated by statistics: 7% 20%
- ✓ Estimated systematic error \approx 5 %
- ✓JLAB uniquely suited for high p_m study
- ✓ First data expected Spring 2017

Alternative method: extracting of ρ_{LC}

Relativistic Description of the Deuteron, L.L Frankfurt and M. Strikman, Nuclear Physics **B148** (1979) 107

High-Energy Phenomena, Short-Range Nuclear Structure and QCD, L.L Frankfurt and M. Strikman, Physics Reports **76**, (1981) 215

 $p^{-} = E - p_{z}$

LC momentum

LC momentum fraction



 $\alpha = A \frac{p_i^-}{P_A^-}$

α is frame
independent
for boosts
along the zaxis

analogous to "x" for quark distributions

Spectator (neutron) momentum fraction from experiment

$$u_s = 2 \frac{E_s - p_s^z}{M_D}$$

remember in lab: $P_D^-=M_D\,$ and

Proton momentum fraction $\alpha = 2 - \alpha_s$

Small α large p_z

 $\alpha_s \to 2 \quad p_{pz} \to \infty$

Advantages of working on LC:

- at high Q², FSI is mostly transverse α is approx.
 conserved by FSI (M.Sargsian Int. J. Mod. Phys. E10 2001)
- $\rho(\alpha)$ is very little affected by re-scattering
- at high energies: $N\overline{N}$ become important but
- unimportant on LC (photon energy is 0)
- $\rho(\alpha)$ necessary for interpretation of DIS data of nuclei

LC PWIA cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE'_e d\Omega_e d\Omega_p} = K \sigma_{eN}^{LC}(\alpha, p_t) \rho(\alpha, p_t)$$

Nuclear analog to parton distribution

$$f_N(\alpha) = \rho(\alpha) = \int \frac{\rho(\alpha, p_t)}{\alpha} d^2 p_t$$

Normalization:

$$\int \rho(\alpha, p_t) \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} 2\pi p_t dp_t = 1$$

LC Momentum sum rule:

$$\int \alpha \rho(\alpha, p_t) \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} 2\pi p_t dp_t = 1$$

Problem: how do FSI affect
$$\,f_N(lpha)\,$$

Experimental $\rho(\alpha, p_t)$ distributions

$$\rho_{EXP}(\alpha, p_T) = \frac{\sigma_{EXP}(\alpha, p_T)}{K\sigma_{eN}^{LC}(\alpha, p_T)}$$

Hall A • $Q^2 = 0.8$, 2.1 and 3.5 (GeV/c)² : constant for each set

- p_{miss} = 0.2, 0.4 and 0.5 GeV/c : angular distribution
- $20^{\circ} \le \theta_{nq} \le 140^{\circ}$
- angular range for each p_{miss} dependent on kinematics

Boeglin et al. PRL 107 (2011) 262501

- Missing information due to finite spectrometer acceptance
- Interpolation necessary for missing data
- Various methods possible
- 0.8 and 2.1 (GeV/c)² data normalized to 3.5 (GeV/c)² at low p_m (0.04 - 0.12 GeV/c)
- Large FSI at small α and large P_{T} for small Q^{2}

First Results (Preliminary)



- Systematic error ~7%
- Original experiment design to measure angular distributions

Small P_T



Larger P_T



- Q² = 0.8 does not follow higher Q² behavior
- Qualitatively different (Large FSI etc.)

Missing Data





Summary

- High Q² d(e,e' p)n can be described using generalized eikonal approximation for Q² > 2 GeV/c
- Minimal FSI expected even at high p_m
- Angular distribution should be measured at pm ~ 0.8 GeV/c for verification
- New experiment at 11 GeV determines d(ee'p)n cross section up to p_m = 1GeV/c
- First experimental extraction of $\rho(\alpha)$ from Q² = 2.1 and 3.5 (GeV/c)² data
- Various interpolation methods need to be assessed
- Sum rules satisfied within 10%
- Consequence for parton distributions functions need further analysis
- Experimental determination requires large kinematic coverage in α and p_T _{2/11/16}
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FSI Reduction

Cross Section Terms (arb. units) 0 1 $\sigma_{R} = |A_{R}|^{2}$ $\sigma_{\rm int} = -2 |A_I| |A_R|$ 10⁻² 20 60 80 100 120 140 40 0 na

Reduction of FSI: $\sigma \sim |A_I|^2 - 2|A_I||A_R| + |A_R|^2$

Rescattering determined by slope factor:

$$f_{s} = e^{-\frac{b}{2}k_{t}^{2}}$$

$$k_{t} = p_{m}\sin(\theta_{p_{m}q})$$

$$b \sim 6(GeV/c)^{-2}$$

$$f_{s} \text{ relatively flat up to } k_{t} \approx 0.5(GeV/c)$$

$$\Rightarrow p_{m} \approx 0.8(GeV/c)$$

both terms are equal \Rightarrow interference and rescattering cancel

- b determined by nucleon size
- cancellation due to imaginary rescattering amplitude
- valid only for high energy (GEA)

Interpolating missing data with modified model fit for $Q^2 = 3.5 (GeV/c)^2$

Fit function:
$$\rho(\alpha) = \gamma \rho_{LC}(\alpha^*) e^{-(\delta_{s,l}(\alpha - A))^2}$$

$$\alpha^* = 1 + \beta(\alpha - A)$$

Parameters: $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta_{s,l}, A$

use
$$\delta_s$$
 for $\alpha < A$
use δ_l for $\alpha > A$

Calculated using model: $\rho_{LC}(\alpha)$ (e.g. Paris WF)

20% cut

2.5% cut





$\rho(\alpha)$ using fit interpolation



20% cut

2.5% cut

α conservation as function of nucleon momenta



LC momentum distribution
$$\rho(\alpha, p_t) = \frac{|\Psi_d(k)|^2 E_k}{2 - \alpha}$$

 $k = \sqrt{\frac{M_N^2 + p_t^2}{\alpha_s(2 - \alpha_s)} - M_N^2}$ $E_k = \sqrt{M_n^2 + p_t^2}$

k relative nucleon momentum in np system on the light cone

Normalization:
$$\int \rho(\alpha, p_t) \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} 2\pi p_t dp_t = 1$$

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Angular Distributions

 $Q^2 = 0.8$

 $Q^2 = 2.1$

 $Q^2 = 3.5$







large FSI over wide angular range

small FSI at small angles

small FSI at small angles

Eikonal regime seems to be reached