# Measuring Inclusive Cross Sections in Hall C

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# **Cross Section Extraction Methods**

For each bin in  $\Delta E$ ,  $\Delta \Omega$ , the number of detected electrons is:

 $N^{-} = L^{*}(d\sigma/d\Omega dE')^{*}(\Delta E' \Delta \Omega)^{*} \epsilon^{*} A(E', \theta) + BG$ 

with L: Integrated Luminosity (# of beam electrons\*targets/area)
ε: Total efficiency for detection
A(E',θ): Acceptance for bin
BG: Background events.

The efficiency corrected electron yield is

 $Y = (N^{-} - BG)/\epsilon = L * \sigma^{data} * (\Delta E \Delta \Omega) * A(E', \theta)$ 

For known A(E', $\theta$ ),  $\sigma^{data} = Y/[(\Delta E \Delta \Omega) * A(E', \theta) * L]$ 

From previous slide:

 $d\sigma/d\Omega dE' = Y(E',\theta) / [(\Delta E \Delta \Omega) * A(E',\theta) * L]$ (Acceptance correction method)

 $A(E',\theta)$  is the probability that a particle will make it through the spectrometer and *must be measured or determined from simulation!* 

 $\Delta \Omega_{eff} = \Delta \Omega^* A(E', \theta)$  is the *effective solid angle* or *solid angle acceptance*.

**Conversely**, we can simulate Monte Carlo data using a cross section model to obtain

$$Y_{MC}(E',\theta) = L * \sigma^{MOd} * (\Delta E \Delta \Omega) * A_{MC}(E',\theta):$$

Taking ratio to data and assuming that  $A_{MC} = A$ , yields

 $\underline{d\sigma/d\Omega dE'} = \underline{\sigma}^{\text{mod}} * [Y(\underline{E'}, \theta)/Y_{\text{MC}}(\underline{E'}, \theta)] \quad (\text{MC ratio method})$ 

# **Notes on Acceptance**

> In general, whether a particle makes it to the detectors without hitting the collimator, beam pipe, or other stopping aperture depends on the full vertex coordinate and the momentum vector of the particle at the target, and *implicitly* on the spectrometer optics) i.e. A = A(E', x, y, z, X', Y').

> The acceptance above is purely deterministic. The trajectory through the spectrometer will either intersect with an aperture or not.

> However, if we know the fraction of particles at each vertex location then we can properly average over x, y, and z and write A = A(E',X',Y')

The physics only depends on  $\theta$  (combination of X', Y') =>  $A = A(E',\theta)$ (This has been checked!)

➢ Multiple scattering and energy straggling enter only though bin migration and are accounted for in an approximate way.

### **Jlab Hall C**



# **HMS Spectrometer**



### HMS Properties (pt-pt tune)

#### Kinematic Range:

Momentum:	0.5 – 7.5 GeV/c
Angular:	10.5 <sup>°</sup> - 80 <sup>°</sup>
Acceptance:	
$\Delta \Omega$ :	~6.5 msr
$\Delta p/p$ :	+/-9%
Resolution:	
$\Delta p/p$ :	< 0.1 %
Θ:	$\sim 1 \text{ mrad}$

Cer + Cal provide  $\pi$  rejection factor ~ 10000/1 At 1 GeV

\* HMS Acceptance is dominated by the octagonal collimator!

# **Dominant background for e<sup>-</sup> Yields**

### Background

- 1) e<sup>-</sup> scattered from Al walls of cryogenic target cell.
- 2) e<sup>-</sup> from charge-symmetric  $\pi^0$ ,  $\gamma$  production and decay.
- 3) e<sup>-</sup> from radiative events.

4) π<sup>-</sup>

### Eliminate by

- Subtracting measured e<sup>-</sup> from Al dummy target.
- 2) Subtracting measured  $e^+$  yields.
- 3) Applying radiative corrections.
- 4) Cerenkov and calorimeter cuts

# **Background from Cryo Cell Walls**

Fraction of cell wall background in  $H_{\gamma}$  is

 $\frac{(\rho t)_{AI} * \sigma_{AL}}{(\rho t)_{H} * \sigma_{H}} \sim 18\% \text{ assuming } \frac{\sigma_{AL}}{\sigma_{H}} \sim 17$ 



The efficiency corrected yield of hydrogen events can be calculated from

$$Y_{H} = Y_{cryo} - Y_{dummy} * L_{walls} * RC_{dummy}$$

#### Plot from Vladas Tvaskis' PhD Thesis

### **Charge Symmetric Background**



If the CS background is not too large then a multiplicative correction factor can be applied to the electron yield, as

 $CScor = (Y^{e-} - Y^{e+})/Y^{e-}$ 

#### Plot from Vladas Tvaskis' PhD Thesis

## **PID Detectors and \pi^{-} elimination**



### **Radiative Corrections For Inelastic Processes**



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### Radiative Corrections (2): Bremsstrahlung Bremsstrahlung from beam electron



E<sub>vertex</sub> is *smaller* than E<sub>beam</sub>
 Q<sup>2</sup><sub>vertex</sub> is *smaller* than calculated
 W<sup>2</sup><sub>vertex</sub> *typically smaller* than calculated.

Elastic events at lower  $Q^2$ ,  $W^2$  radiate to higher  $Q^2$ ,  $W^2$ .



Bremsstrahlung from scattered electron



E'<sub>vertex</sub> is *larger* than E'<sub>HMS</sub>
Q<sup>2</sup><sub>vertex</sub> is *larger* than calculated
W<sup>2</sup><sub>vertex</sub> is smaller than calculated.

# **Radiative Corrections (3): Application**



#### Slide from Vladas Tvaskis

# **Calculating Acceptance Corrections**

 $1^{st}$  we generate MC with the same E',  $\theta_{c}$ , target, raster, etc... as the data.

Then, for each bin: 
$$\Delta\Omega_{eff}(\delta,\theta) \equiv \mathbf{A}(\delta,\theta) * \Delta\Omega_{gen}(\delta,\theta),$$
  
where  $\mathbf{A}(\delta,\theta) = \mathbf{N}_{rec}(\delta,\theta) / \mathbf{N}_{gen}(\delta,\theta)$   
Note that  $\Delta\Omega_{gen}(\delta,\theta)$  is the solid angle generated into for that bin

and *depends on generation limits in* Y' (in-plane angle) and X' (out-of-plane angle).



 $\Delta \theta = -20 + / -1.75 \text{ mrad}$ 

If the only aperture were the collimator then the solid angle of this slice would be  $\Delta \Omega_{\text{gen}} (\text{Green band for } |X'_{\text{gen}}| < 80 \text{ mrad})$  $\Delta \Omega_{\text{eff}} (\text{Red area})$ 



However,  $\Delta \Omega_{eff}$  does not depend on the generation limits. For uniform generation,  $\Delta \Omega_{\rm eff}(\delta, \theta) \equiv N_{\rm rec}(\delta, \theta) * \Delta \Omega_{\rm tot}(\delta)$ Ntot gen  $= \mathbf{N}_{rec}(\delta, \theta) * \mathbf{N}_{gen}(\delta, \theta) \Delta \Omega_{gen}^{tot}(\delta)$  $\overline{\mathbf{N}_{gen}(\delta,\theta)}$   $\overline{\mathbf{N}_{gen}^{tot}(\delta)}$ =  $A(\delta,\theta) * \Delta \Omega_{gen}(\delta,\theta)$ 

## **Applying Acceptance and \theta - <b>BC Corrections**

- $\succ$  For Each E' bin, we want the cross section at fixed  $\theta$  (or  $Q^2$ ).
- $\succ$  Use model to correct  $d\sigma$  to central angle,

 $d\sigma(\theta_{c}) = d\sigma(\theta) * \sigma^{mod}(\theta_{c}) / \sigma^{mod}(\theta)$ 



Can now average over  $\theta$  for each bin in  $\delta p/p$  (E')

 $E = 3.1 \text{ GeV}, \Theta = 12.5$ 

## **Notes on Bin-Centering**

- A bin-centering correction must be applied to any binned variable for which the yield varies significantly across a bin width.
- The bin-centering correction for a linear function = 1.
- For  $\theta$  bin-centering, the full radiated cross section model must be used.

# **Acceptance Correction Method**



- (1) Bin efficiency corrected  $e^{-}$  yield in  $\delta p/p - \theta$ .  $(\delta p/p = +/-8\%, \Delta \theta = +/-35 \text{ mrad})$ 
  - (2) Subtract scaled dummy yield binby-bin to remove e<sup>-</sup> Al background.
  - (3) Subtract charge symmetric e<sup>-</sup> yield bin-by-bin.
  - (4) Apply acceptance correction for each  $\delta$ - $\theta$  bin.
  - (5) Apply radiative corrections bin-bybin.
  - (6) Apply  $\theta$  bin-centering correction and average over  $\theta \implies$  for each  $\delta$ bin.

# Monte Carlo Ratio Method



★ Comparison of January '05 proton data to MC using E94-110 away. resonance region model and externally calculated radiative corrections.

(1) Generate MC events with  $\sigma$  model weighting and radiative contributions included.

(2) Scale the MC yield by  $L_{data}/L_{MC}$ , where  $L_{MC}$  is that needed to produce  $N_{gen}$ for the given  $\sigma_{mod}$  and phase space generated into. (3) Add background contributions to

MC or subtract from data.

(4)  $d\sigma (\delta, \theta_c) = d\sigma^{mod}(\delta, \theta_c) * Y(\delta)/Y_{MC}$ (5) Where  $Y(\delta)$  is the yield for events with any value of  $\theta$ , i.e. this integrates over  $\theta$ .

**Warning**: For inclusive data, radiative events can come from kinematically far