Spectator Tagging -Quo Vadis?

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Overview

- Neutron Structure and Binding Effects (C.K.)
- Spectator Tagging as a Tool
- The "Deeps" Experiment with CLAS
- The "BoNuS" Experiment with CLAS (C.K.)
- New Experiments with the "BoNuS" RTPC (EG6 with a ⁴He target)
- The Data Mining Initiative
- The 11 GeV Future of Spectator Tagging

Structure Functions and Moments

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \sigma_{Mott} \left(\frac{F_2(x)}{v} + 2\tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2} \frac{F_1(x)}{M} \right); \quad F_2(x,Q^2) = x \sum_{f=up,down,\dots} z_f^2 \left(q_f(x,Q^2) + \overline{q}_f(x,Q^2) \right)$$

 $q_{down}(x, Q^2)$

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CTEQ6

Ratio to

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 $q_{up}(x, Q^2)$

Ratio to CIEQ6

 $\tau = 4$

- q_{down}/q_{up}(x→1) is a crucial test of valence quark models
 - SU(6) breaking, pQCD,...
- Precise PDFs at large x needed as input for LHC, neutrino experiments...
 - Large x, medium Q² evolves to medium x, large Q²
- Moments can be directly compared with OPE (twist expansion), Lattice QCD and Sum Rules
 - All higher moments are weighted towards large x

$$M_n^{CN}(Q^2) = \int_0^\infty dx x^{(n-2)} F_2(x,Q^2) = \sum_{\tau=2k}^\infty E_{n\tau}(\mu,Q^2) \mathcal{O}_{n\tau}(\mu) \left(\frac{\mu^2}{Q^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}(\tau-2)} + \text{TM corr.}$$

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Structure Functions and Resonances



- Precise structure functions in Resonance Region constrain nucleon models [Separate resonant from nonresonant background; isospin decomposition]
- Needed as input for spin structure function data, radiative corrections,...
- Compare with DIS structure functions to test duality

Large x - Large Nuclear Effects



- Even simple
 "Fermi Smearing" leads to significant dependence on D wave function
- Different models for off-shell and "EMC" effects lead to large additional variations
- Contributions from MEC, Δ(1232) and "exotic" degrees of freedom unknown

• FSI?

Present Knowledge of d/u (x \rightarrow 1)



Limited by "Nuclear Binding Uncertainties"

Bound Neutron Structure Functions - 2 Questions:

- 1) How can we explore the structure of the neutron if all we have are neutrons bound in nuclei?
 - In many cases, a neutron bound in deuterium can be considered "nearly free".
 - BUT: For certain kinematics (large x > 0.5, resonance region W < 2) the high-momentum (short-distance tail) of the deuteron wave function plays a large role and might distort the result.
- 2) Can we learn something about what happens to a nucleon if it is part of a short-distance pair?
 - Many ideas: Off-shell modifications of on-shell structure functions, color delocalization, suppression of point-like components, $\Delta\Delta$ components, extra mesons or 6-quark bags
 - Fundamental question about QCD in bound hadron systems that we haven't understood yet. Relevant for QCD phase diagram (high baryon density, neutron stars, color superconductivity?)

Our Tool: "Spectator Tagging"





High spectator momenta (0.25 - 0.7 GeV/c): "Deeps"







CLAS



Results from "Deeps": Momentum Distribution



Vertical axis: Number of events

Horizontal axis: Proton momenta from 250 to 700 MeV/c

Left: Angular range > 107.5^o **Right: Angular range 72.5^o - 107.5^o**

3 different ranges in the final state mass W of the unobserved struck neutrons

PWIA model with "light cone"-wave function for deuterium

Deviations from free structure function: Off-shell Effects [should depend on α (p_s), x, Q²]



Results from "Deeps": Ratio Method

Ratio =

$$\frac{\sigma(x^* = 0.55, \alpha_s)}{\sigma(x^* = 0.25, \alpha_s)} \text{(bound n)}$$

$$\frac{\sigma(x = 0.25, \alpha_s)}{\sigma(x = 0.55)} \text{(free n)}$$

- Independent of deuteron WF, acceptance, kinematic factors
- Should be sensitive to off-shell effects at large x, but also influenced by FSI and target fragmentation
- Fixed p_T = 0.3 GeV/c -TOO LARGE!



Results from "Deeps": Comparison w/ FSI model (CdA et al.)

















RTPC Performance



Particle ID (after gain calibration of each channel)



Out-of-time track suppression



Kinematic Coverage - 2.1, 4.2 & 5.3 GeV



Kinematics coverage, $D(e,e'\pi^-p)p$, E = 5.3 GeV



0.5

1

1.5

2

2.5

3

3.5

200

4Q2

Preliminary Results from BoNuS

- Measured tagged n / inclusive d
- Corrected for e⁻ acceptance and normalized to "known" ratio at high W
- Multiplied with known
 F_{2d} to get bottom row.



Preliminary Results from BoNuS (ii)



"Free" neutron structure function compared with a model by P. Bosted

Preliminary Results from BoNuS (iii)



Cut on W > 1.8

5 GeV Data

Preliminary Results from BoNuS (iv)

Testing the Spectator Assumption - dependence on p_s



- Data have radiative elastic tail subtracted
- Simulation uses simple spectator model, radiative effects, full model of RTPC and CLAS

Preliminary Results from BoNuS (v)



Testing the Spectator Assumption - dependence on θ_{pq}

- So far, no strong deviations from naïve PWIA spectator picture at lower spectator momenta
- Possible indication of θ-dependence at higher p_s
- Have systematics for a wide range in Q², W* and beam energies

W* = 1.73 GeV Q² = 1.66 (GeV/c)²

2nd RTPC Experiment - EG6

- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering from Helium: ⁴He(e,e'γ ⁴He)
- Search for exotic mesons in $\gamma^* + {}^{4}\text{He} \rightarrow \text{M} + {}^{4}\text{He} \rightarrow 4 \gamma$'s + ${}^{4}\text{He}$
- Slightly modified (improved!) RTPC
- Significantly increased data rate
- Ran in Fall 2009
- Can be used to extract data on spectator ³He and compare to spectator ³H (struck proton with known structure function!)

DVCS IC for detection of photons at small angles



2nd RTPC Experiment - EG6







Detector calibration, 1st step analysis under way 1st results maybe in 1 year

CLAS data mining

- Joint effort of a large group of people (many of them here) to re-analyze existing nuclear target data from CLAS
- Proposal to DOE for funding (mostly for a dedicated postdoc) presently "in limbo"
- Relevant for spectator physics:
 - E6 data, d(e,e'p_s)X : extend Q² range, lower p momentum threshold
 - E6 data: Look for d(e,e' Δ_s) Δ and other "exotic" final states
 - EG1/EG4/EG1-DVCS: study $\vec{d}(\vec{e}, e'p)n vs$. missing momentum to learn more about spin effects and FSI
- Discussion Friday afternoon

Plans for Jefferson Lab at 11-12 GeV

Central Detector

Forward Detector for e-, π, K,...

- CLAS12 will have central detector for medium-low momentum large angle particles
- Can be replaced by "BoNuS" ٠ type RTPC for much lower spectator momenta
- Can insert polarized target inside Central Detector study tagged pol. SFs? (Polarized EMC effect LOI [Brooks] approved by PAC35)

Expected Results -

BoNuS12 E12-06-113



Data taking of 35 days on D₂ and 5 days on H₂ with $\mathcal{L} = 2 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ sec}^{-1}$



•DIS region with

 $-O^{2} > 1 \text{ GeV}^{2}/c^{2}$

 $-W^* > 2 \text{ GeV}$

 $-p_{s} > 70 \text{ MeV}/c$

 $-10^{\circ} < \theta_{pq} < 170^{\circ}$

Expected Results - Deeps12



- Significantly increase kinematic coverage in x, Q² while remaining in DIS and "backward spectator" kinematics
- Can augment $\alpha_s = 1$, small p_T region with data from BoNuS12 - can get closer to "ideal" kinematics
- Possibly combination with n detector for a comparison of d(e,e'p_s)X with d(e,e'n_s)X
- Requires a new, full proposal and significant simulation work
- EG6 will also be continued at higher energy - two LOIs (Milner, Hafidi) approved by most recent PAC35

Conclusion -

Status of Spectator Experiments

- Lots of data with coincident spectator detection already exist, many have been (partially) analyzed
 - FSI seems very important in perpendicular and forward kinematics
 - simple spectator picture with LC wave functions seems to work reasonably in some kinematic regions
 - Possible modifications of internal nucleon structure (dependent on spectator momentum) still an open question
- New data from EG6 will extend this study to ⁴He target
- Data mining initiative will unlock much more information from all nuclear data taken with CLAS
- Lots more exciting experiments after JLab energy upgrade!
- Requires theory-experiment interaction: Agree on definition of "reduced cross section"; need predictions of this cross section including FSI over large kinematic range (not only for p_T = 0;-)
- ULTIMATE GOAL: EIC can smoothly map out p_{spect.} from 0 to 1 GeV/c

Happy Birthday (belated), Mark

