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DiHadron analysis at CLAS (e p \rightarrow e $\pi^+\pi^-X$)

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*A. Airapetian et al. PRD 71, 012003 (2005)

Introduction

At the leading order (twist)¹, three Parton Distribution Functions (PDF) exhaust the description of quarks inside the nucleon:

 $\Box f_1^q(x)$: number density of an unpolarized quark in an unpolarized nucleon known with high accuracy

 $\Box g_1^q(x)$: number density of longitudinally polarized quark in a longitudinally polarized nucleon less well known (but there are measurements: see, e.g., Hermes data for 5 different quark flavours*)

the transversity is the only missing ingredient to complete the leading-twist picture of the nucleon.

The cleanest approach to access the three PDFs is **Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS)**, but transversity does not appear in its cross-section:

 \square $h_1^q(x)$: number density of transversely polarized quarks in a transversely polarized nucleon

l(x) are

(x) is not







Semi-Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering

Since transversity does not appear in DIS, its experimental investigation relies on a different kind of processes, *i.e.* processes where a hadron appear *both* in the inital **and in the final state**.



$$l(k) + N(P) \rightarrow l'(k') + X(P_X) + h(P_h)$$

With these processes, it is possible to access the quark transverse polarization:

- by extracting the asymmetry in the distribution of P_{h⊥} of the final hadron
 by measuring the polarization of a
 - transversely polarized final hadron (as the hyperon Λ⁰)

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$$l(k) + N(P) \rightarrow l'(k') + X(P_X) + h_1(P_{h_1}) + h_2(P_{h_2})$$



DiHadron processes

A specific example of SIDIS process is the dihadron semi-inlcusive production, that has the general form $e p \rightarrow e' h^+ h^- X$

- As a Semi-Inclusive Deep Inelastic (SIDIS) process, it allows to access transversity $h_1^q(x)$
- > With respect to the single-hadron production, it provides an easier access to $h_1^q(x)$

 \square $h_1^q(x)$ appears in the single-hadron cross section in a convolution integral

$$\frac{d^{6}\sigma}{d...}\approx...\Im\left[\frac{k_{T}\cdot\hat{P}_{h\perp}}{m_{P}}h_{1}^{q}H_{1}^{\perp q}\right]$$

...while it appears in a direct product in the two-hadron cross section

The extraction of the Beam-Spin Asymmetry allows to access the structure function

$$F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_R} = -x \frac{|\mathbf{R}| \sin\theta}{Q} \left[\frac{M}{M_h} x e^q(x) H_1^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos\theta, M_h) + \frac{1}{z} f_1^q(x) \widetilde{G}^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos\theta, M_h) \right]$$

 $\frac{d^7\sigma}{d} \approx \dots h_1^q(x) H_1^{\angle q}$

The extraction of the PDF is possible since the interference fragmentation function has been recently extracted from Belle measurement*

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* BELLE Collaboration, A. Vossen et al., PRL (2011), 1104.2425.





Analysis procedure



We will focus on the channel $e p \rightarrow e' \pi^+ \pi^- X$. The analysis procedure goes through the following steps:



Cebaf Large-Acceptance Spectrometer

The **Cebaf Large-Acceptance Spectrometer (CLAS)** is installed in the Hall-B of the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (Newport News, VA, USA). It is a natural enviroment to perform SIDIS measurements.

The CEBAF, indeed:

- \succ provides a continous electron beam with a duty factor ~ 100%;
- > has a good energy resolution $\left(\frac{\sigma_E}{F} \sim 10^{-5}\right)$;
- > and the beam has a polarization $\sim 85\% \rightarrow essential to perform BSA measurements$

The CLAS detector is provided with:

- Toroidal magnetic field (6 supercondicting coils)
- Drift chambers (argon/CO2 Gas, 35000 cells)
- Time-of-flight scintillators
- Electromagnetic calorimeters
- □ Cherenkov counters (e/π separation)

Its features allow the following performances:

- Nearly 4π acceptance
- Large kinematical coverage
- Detection of charged and neutral particles

DC: Drift Chamber CC: Cerenkov Counter SC: Scintillation Counter EC: Electromagnetic Calorimeter



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Data set & Particle Identification



This analysis is focused on the process

$$e p \rightarrow e' \pi^+ \pi^- X$$

Standard PID cut to identify the particle in the finale state:

$$e p \rightarrow e' \pi^+ \pi^- X$$

21 fb⁻¹ from the e1f data set are used

- Longitudinally polarized electron beam with average polarization of 75 %
- □ Target: unpolarized liquid hydrogen
- Beam energy: 5.5 GeV
- Torus magnet reduced to 60% of full current to maximize acceptance of charged pions.

 $p_e > 0.8 \ GeV$ $n_{phe} > 25$ $ec_{InnEn} > 0.06 \ GeV$ $0.2 < \frac{E_{Tot}}{p} < 0.36 \ GeV$ $+ 4 \ cm \ from \ the \ vertex$



Cuts complementary to the electron ones $\Delta\beta < 0.02$





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DiHadron sample selection

- The events with at least one π^+ and one π^- are selected
- In the case of more than one π^{\pm} , the various combinations are considered
- DIS cuts are applied: W > 2 GeV && Q² > 1 GeV²
 - > W > 2 GeV removes the resonance region
 - Q² > 1 GeV² to be in deep inelastic region
- Missing mass cut in order to remove exclusive events
 - > The missing mass mm_{χ} of the system $e^{-} \pi^{+} \pi^{-}$ is defined as the invariant mass of the following 4-Vector:



- The cut mm_X > 1.05 GeV removes the proton peak, i.e. the exclusive electro-production of two pions
- After these cuts, only the events where the pions lie in the CFR are selected (next slide).



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Z definition & distribution(s)

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The dimensionless variable z represents the fraction of the virtual-photon energy transferred to the hadron:

$$z \equiv \frac{P \cdot P_h}{P \cdot q} \stackrel{LAB}{=} \frac{E_h}{E - E'} = \frac{E_h}{\nu}$$

In this analysis, z indicates the sum of the zs of the two pions





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Exclusive contribution in z

The two-pion exclusive electro-production events lie in the high-z region (z > 0.7):



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Extraction of the Beam Spin Asymmetry

Beam-Spin Asymmetry (BSA) is defined as

 $A_{LU} = \frac{1}{P_{beam}} \frac{N^{+} - N^{-}}{N^{+} + N^{-}}$

- where
- > P_{beam} is the beam polarization
- > N^+ is the number of dihadron events corresponding to a positive beam-helicity
- > N^- is the number of dihadron events corresponding to a negative beam-helicity





BSA increases as a function of x_F







BSA dependence on z





Summary&Conclusions

A preliminary DiHadron analysis@CLAS has been presented

DiHadron processes are a powerful tool to access transversity

- Easier access with respect to single-hadron SIDIS
- Access to higher-twist pdfs

A non-zero A_{LU} is observed with 6 GeV CLAS data

- \Box π^+ π^- channel analyzed
- Sin(ϕ) moment appear to be the dominant contribution
- A BSA dependence on z and other kinematical variables can be appreciated already at 6 GeV
- 1-D binning so far

Improvements ongoing

- > Analysis on MC
- > Study of acceptance effects
- Check on the possibility of a multi-D binning
- > Analysis of other two-pion channels ($\pi^+\pi^0$) with different CLAS data sets

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Definitions





DiHadron variables

Vectors

 $P_h = P_{\pi^+} + P_{\pi^-}$

Planes

Sign

 $R = \frac{1}{2} \left(P_{\pi^+} - P_{\pi^-} \right)$





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Angle definition & distributions

Definition adopted in this analysis for $\Phi_{\rm R} \& \Phi_{\rm h}$:

$$\phi_h = \frac{q \times k \cdot P_h}{|q \times k \cdot P_h|} \cos^{-1} \frac{q \times k \cdot q \times P_h}{|q \times k||q \times P_h|} \qquad \phi_{R^+} = \frac{q \times k \cdot R_T}{|q \times k \cdot R_T|} \cos^{-1} \frac{q \times k \cdot q \times R_T}{|q \times k||q \times R_T|}$$





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 $\Phi \mathbf{R}$ ×10³ all pions 180 pions in the CFR 160 140 120 100 80 60 40 20 0 100 150 -150 -100 **Jefferson Lab**

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Binning in $m(\pi^+ \pi^-)$, z, x_B

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Other analyses @CLAS







Further details on the analysis





Counting the pairs

In our 21 fb⁻¹ data set, we have

- □ 1.52x10⁷ DIS events with two charged pions (π^+ π^-)
- \Box 2.76x10⁶ DIS events with two charged pions in the CFR
- 2.37x10⁶ DIS events with two pions in the CFR, semi-inclusively produced

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Details on the detectors





Two-hadron SIDIS

In the case of two-hadron semi-inclusive production





Further BSA dependences



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BSA dependence on m(π^+ π^- **)**





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Kinematics





P_T definition & distribtion



The variable P_T represents the component of P_h perpendicular to the virtual-photon direction. P_T is given by:

$$P_T = P_{T\pi^+} + P_{T\pi^-}$$













Kinematics: z vs P_T



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Useful formulas

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SIDIS cross section



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma}{dx \, dy \, d\psi \, dz \, d\phi_R \, dM_R^2 \, d\cos\theta} &= \\ \frac{\alpha^2}{xy Q^2} \frac{y^2}{2(1-\varepsilon)} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma^2}{2x}\right) \left\{ F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon \, F_{UU,L} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \, \cos\phi_R \, F_{UU}^{\cos\phi_R} \right. \\ &+ \varepsilon \cos(2\phi_R) \, F_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi_R} + \lambda_e \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \, \sin\phi_R \, F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_R} \\ &+ S_L \left[\sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \, \sin\phi_R \, F_{UL}^{\sin\phi_R} + \varepsilon \sin(2\phi_R) \, F_{UL}^{\sin^2\phi_R} \right] \\ &+ S_L \lambda_e \left[\sqrt{1-\varepsilon^2} \, F_{LL} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \, \cos\phi_R \, F_{LL}^{\cos\phi_R} \right] \\ &+ S_T \left[\left[\sin(\phi_R - \phi_S) \left(F_{UT,T}^{\sin(\phi_R - \phi_S)} + \varepsilon \, F_{UT,L}^{\sin(\phi_R - \phi_S)} \right) \right. \\ &+ \varepsilon \sin(\phi_R + \phi_S) \, F_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_R + \phi_S)} + \varepsilon \, \sin(3\phi_R - \phi_S) \, F_{UT}^{\sin(3\phi_R - \phi_S)} \\ &+ \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \, \sin\phi_S \, F_{UT}^{\sin\phi_S} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \, \sin(2\phi_R - \phi_S) \, F_{UT}^{\sin(2\phi_R - \phi_S)} \right] \\ &+ \left| S_T \right| \lambda_e \left[\sqrt{1-\varepsilon^2} \, \cos(\phi_R - \phi_S) \, F_{LT}^{\cos(\phi_R - \phi_S)} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \, \cos\phi_S \, F_{LT}^{\cos\phi} \, \phi_S \\ &+ \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \, \cos(2\phi_R - \phi_S) \, F_{LT}^{\cos(\phi_R - \phi_S)} \right] \right], \end{aligned}$$
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Structure Functions in the limit $M_h \ll Q^2$

$$F_{UU,T} = x f_1^q(x) D_1^q(z, \cos\theta, M_h),$$

 $F_{UU,L}=0,$

$$F_{UU}^{\cos\phi_R} = -x \frac{|\mathbf{R}|\sin\theta}{Q} \frac{1}{z} f_1^q(x) \widetilde{D}^{\triangleleft q} (z, \cos\theta, M_h),$$

 $F_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi_R} = 0,$

$$F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_R} = -x \frac{|\mathbf{R}|\sin\theta}{Q} \left[\frac{M}{M_h} x e^q(x) H_1^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos\theta, M_h) + \frac{1}{z} f_1^q(x) \widetilde{G}^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos\theta, M_h) \right],$$

$$F_{UL}^{\sin\phi_R} = -x \frac{|\mathbf{R}|\sin\theta}{Q} \left[\frac{M}{M_h} x h_L^q(x) H_1^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos\theta, M_h) + \frac{1}{z} g_1^q(x) \widetilde{G}^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos\theta, M_h) \right],$$

 $F_{UL}^{\sin 2\phi_R} = 0,$

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$$F_{LL} = xg_1^q(x) D_1^q(z, \cos\theta, M_h),$$

$$F_{LL}^{\cos\phi_R} = -x \frac{|\mathbf{R}|\sin\theta}{Q} \frac{1}{z} g_1^q(x) \, \widetilde{D}^{\triangleleft q} \big(z, \cos\theta, M_h \big),$$

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Miscellaneous











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If the quarks inside the nucleon are perfectly collinear, the three pdfs $f_1^q(x)$, $g_1^q(x)$, $h_1^q(x)$ complete the information about the internal hadron dynamics:

$$\Phi(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ f_1 \not \eta_+ + S_L g_1 \gamma_5 \not \eta_+ + h_1 \frac{[\mathscr{S}_T, \not \eta_+] \gamma_5}{2} \right\}$$

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If, instead, we allow the presence of a finite quark tranverse momentum p_T , the number of functions increases up to eight:

$$\begin{split} \Phi(x,p_T) &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \underbrace{f_1}_{p_1} \not m_+ - \underbrace{f_{1T}^{\perp}}_{M} \underbrace{\frac{\epsilon_T^{\rho\sigma} p_{T\rho} S_{T\sigma}}{M}}_{M} \not m_+ + S_L \underbrace{g_{1L}}_{\gamma_5} \not m_+ - \underbrace{g_{1T}}_{M} \underbrace{\frac{p_T \cdot S_T}{M}}_{M} \gamma_5 \not m_+ \right. \\ &+ \underbrace{h_{1T}}_{2} \underbrace{\frac{\left[S_{T}, \not m_+\right]\gamma_5}{2}}_{2M} + S_L \underbrace{h_{1L}^{\perp}}_{2M} \underbrace{\frac{\left[p_T, \not m_+\right]\gamma_5}{2M}}_{2M} \\ &- \underbrace{h_{1T}^{\perp}}_{M} \underbrace{\frac{p_T \cdot S_T}{M}}_{M} \underbrace{\frac{\left[p_T, \not m_+\right]\gamma_5}{2M}}_{2M} + \underbrace{h_{1}^{\perp}}_{2M} \underbrace{\frac{\left[p_T, \not m_+\right]}{2M}}_{2M} \right\} \begin{bmatrix} f_1^q(x, p_T) \to f_1^q(x) \\ g_{1L}^q(x, p_T) \to g_1^q(x) \\ h_{1T}^q(x, p_T) \to h_1^q(x) \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$



Accessing the moments of σ

In the most general, non collinear case, the hadron is described in terms of 8 TMD. To access them, we have to isolate their specific modulation in the cross-section:

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$$f^{\perp}$$
 g^{\perp} h, e L f_L^{\perp} g_L^{\perp} h_L, e_L T f_T, f_T^{\perp} g_T, g_T^{\perp} h_T, e_T, h_T^{\perp}

$$\sin(\Phi_{h,R} \pm \Phi_s) \times TMD \times FF$$

modulation

Tranverse Momentum Distribution Fragmentation function

To this end, the following asymmetry is introduced:

$$A_{U/T/L} = \frac{\sigma^+ - \sigma^-}{\sigma^+ + \sigma^-}$$

The method of extracting asymmetries has two big advantages:

 Many systematic uncertainties cancel because they appear in the same way in the numerator and denominator
 It is not needed to measure absolute cross sections.

where refers to the various polarization states. The asymmetry selects the terms in the cross section proportional to the chosen distribution functions.

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DiHadron Structure Functions

$$\begin{split} F_{UU,T} &= x f_1^q(x) D_1^q(z, \cos \theta, M_h), \\ F_{UU}^{\cos \phi_R} &= -x \frac{|\mathbf{R}| \sin \theta}{Q} \frac{1}{z} f_1^q(x) , \tilde{D}^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos \theta, M_h), \\ \hline F_{LU}^{\sin \phi_R} &= -x \frac{|\mathbf{R}| \sin \theta}{Q} \left[\frac{M}{M_h} x e^q(x) H_1^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos \theta, M_h) + \frac{1}{z} f_1^q(x) \tilde{G}^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos \theta, M_h) \right], \\ F_{UL}^{\sin \phi_R} &= -x \frac{|\mathbf{R}| \sin \theta}{Q} \left[\frac{M}{M_h} x h_L^q(x) H_1^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos \theta, M_h) + \frac{1}{z} g_1^q(x) \tilde{G}^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos \theta, M_h) \right], \\ F_{LL} &= x g_1^q(x) D_1^q(z, \cos \theta, M_h), \\ F_{LL}^{\cos \phi_R} &= -x \frac{|\mathbf{R}| \sin \theta}{Q} \frac{1}{z} g_1^q(x) \tilde{D}^{\triangleleft q}(z, \cos \theta, M_h). \\ F_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_R + \phi_S)} &= x \frac{|\mathbf{R}| \sin \theta}{M_h} h_1(x) H_1^{\triangleleft}(z, \cos \theta, M_h^2), \\ F_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_R + \phi_S)} &= x \frac{|\mathbf{R}| \sin \theta}{M_h} h_1(x) H_1^{\triangleleft}(z, \cos \theta, M_h^2) + \frac{|\mathbf{R}| \sin \theta^2}{M_h^2} H_1^{\triangleleft o(1)}(z, \cos \theta, M_h^2) \Big) \Big], \\ F_{LT}^{\cos \phi_R} &= \frac{M_h}{Q} \left[-\frac{M}{M_h} x g_T(x) D_1(z, \cos \theta, M_h^2) - \frac{1}{z} h_1(x) \tilde{E}(z, \cos \theta, M_h^2) \right] \end{split}$$

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Single-hadron

$$A_{DIS}(x, z, P_{h\perp}^2) = -\langle C_y \rangle \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 h_1^q(x, p_T^2) \otimes_C H_{1,q}^{\perp}(z, k_T^2)}{\sum_q e_q^2 f_1^q(x, p_T^2) \otimes D_{1,q}(z, k_T^2)}$$

Dihadron

$$A_{DIS}(x,z,M_h^2) = -\langle C_y \rangle \, \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \, h_1^q(x) \, \frac{|\mathbf{R}|}{M_h} H_{1,q}^{\triangleleft}(z,M_h^2)}{\sum_q e_q^2 \, f_1^q(x) \, D_{1,q}(z,M_h^2)}$$

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Asymmetries & Structure Functions

The relevant spin asymmetries can be built as ratios of structure functions. For the longitudinal polarization of the beam or of the target, alternatively, *i.e.* on the LU and UL combinations, one can define the following asymmetries

$$A_{LU}^{\sin\phi_R\sin\theta}(x,y,z,M_h,Q) = \frac{1}{\lambda_e} \frac{\frac{8}{\pi} \int d\phi_R \ d\cos\theta \ \sin\phi_R \ (d\sigma^+ - d\sigma^-)}{\int d\phi_R \ d\cos\theta \ (d\sigma^+ + d\sigma^-)} = \frac{\frac{4}{\pi} \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \int d\cos\theta \ F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_R}}{\int d\cos\theta \ (F_{UU,T} + \epsilon F_{UU,L})}$$
$$A_{UL}^{\sin\phi_R\sin\theta}(x,y,z,M_h,Q) = \frac{1}{S_L} \frac{\frac{8}{\pi} \int d\phi_R \ d\cos\theta \ \sin\phi_R \ (d\sigma^+ - d\sigma^-)}{\int d\phi_R \ d\cos\theta \ (d\sigma^+ + d\sigma^-)} = \frac{\frac{4}{\pi} \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \int d\cos\theta \ F_{UL}^{\sin\phi_R}}{\int d\cos\theta \ F_{UL}^{\sin\phi_R}}$$

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CLAS kinematics vs. other experiments



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