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SIDIS kinematical coverage and observables



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SIDIS at CLAS12







CLAS12: Kinematical coverage



Complete coverage in 5 dimensions (including ϕ) is important for studies of spin-azimuthal asymmetries in SIDIS



Non perturbative sea

$$|p\rangle = P_{3q} |uud\rangle + P_{5q} |uudQ\bar{Q}\rangle + \cdots$$

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"Intrinsic sea" and "extrinsic sea" are expected to have different *x*-distributions

- Intrinsic sea is "valence-like" and is more abundant at larger x
- Extrinsic sea is more abundant at smaller x

Important to identify kinematics, where the non-perturbative effects dominate!!!

The "intrinsic" sea for lighter quarks have larger probabilities!

 $P_{5a}^2 \sim 1/m_0^2$

 $P_5^{uudd\overline{d}} = 0.240; \ P_5^{uudu\overline{u}} = 0.122; \ P_5^{uuds\overline{s}} = 0.024$

 $\overline{d} - \overline{u}$ has no contribution from extrinsic sea $(g \to \overline{q}q)$ and is sensitive to "intrinsic sea" only



Also very different k_T -distributions





Strangenes in SIDIS



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Flavor dependence of transverse momentum







Flavor and spin dependence of k_T -distributions



Nucleons 3D structure is complex, with weight of different type of partons changing with k_T Final states, with different sensitivity to different parton types will be critical to separate contributions





Hadronization effects

$$f_1^q(x,k_T) \otimes D_1^{q \to h}(z,p_T) \; \frac{D_1^{u \to \pi^+}(z,p_T)}{D_1^{u \to K^+}(z,p_T)}$$

•Widths of fragmentation functions are flavor dependent. (H. Matevosyan, A. W. Thomas & W. Bentz)





Projections for Kotzinian-Mulders SSA

$$\begin{split} \sigma_{KM}^{\pi+}(p) &= 4h_{1L}^{\perp u}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)fav} + h_{1L}^{\perp d}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)unfav} \\ \sigma_{KM}^{\pi-}(p) &= 4h_{1L}^{\perp u}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)unfav} + h_{1L}^{\perp d}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)fav} \\ \sigma_{KM}^{\pi0}(p) &= 4(h_{1L}^{\perp u} + h_{1L}^{\perp d})(H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)unfav} + H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)fav}) \\ \sigma_{KM}^{K+}(p) &= 4h_{1L}^{\perp u}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)u/K^{+}} + h_{1L}^{\perp d}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)d/K^{+}} + h_{1L}^{\perp \bar{s}}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)\bar{s}/K^{+}} \\ \sigma_{KM}^{K-}(p) &= 4h_{1L}^{\perp u}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)u/K^{-}} + h_{1L}^{\perp d}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)d/K^{-}} + h_{1L}^{\perp s}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)s/K^{-}} + 4h_{1L}^{\perp \bar{u}}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)\bar{u}/K} \\ \sigma_{KM}^{\pi-}(n) &= 4h_{1L}^{\perp d}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)unfav} + h_{1L}^{\perp u}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)unfav} \\ \sigma_{KM}^{\pi-}(n) &= (4h_{1L}^{\perp d} + h_{1}^{\perp u})(h_{1L}^{\perp(1/2)unfav} + H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)fav}) \\ \sigma_{KM}^{\pi+}(n) &= 4h_{1L}^{\perp d}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)u/K^{+}} + h_{1L}^{\perp u}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)fav} \\ \sigma_{KM}^{\pi-}(n) &= 4h_{1L}^{\perp d}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)u/K^{+}} + h_{1L}^{\perp u}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)fav} \\ \sigma_{KM}^{K+}(n) &= 4h_{1L}^{\perp d}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)u/K^{+}} + h_{1L}^{\perp u}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)d/K^{+}} + h_{1L}^{\perp s}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)s/K^{+}} \\ \sigma_{KM}^{K-}(n) &= 4h_{1L}^{\perp d}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)u/K^{-}} + h_{1L}^{\perp u}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)d/K^{-}} + h_{1L}^{\perp s}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)s/K^{-}} + h_{1L}^{\perp u}H_{1}^{\perp(1/2)s/K^{-}} \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{split} A^{p/(\pi^{+}-\pi^{-})}(x,y,z) &= 2\frac{B(y)}{A(y)} \frac{\left(4\,h^{u_{v}}-h^{d_{v}}\right)H_{1}^{\perp(1)f}}{\left(4\,f_{1}^{u_{v}}-f_{1}^{d_{v}}\right)\left(D_{1}^{f}-D_{1}^{d}\right)},\\ A^{n/(\pi^{+}-\pi^{-})}(x,y,z) &= 2\frac{B(y)}{A(y)} \frac{\left(4\,h^{d_{v}}-h^{u_{v}}\right)H_{1}^{\perp(1)f}}{\left(4\,f_{1}^{d_{v}}-f_{1}^{u_{v}}\right)\left(D_{1}^{f}-D_{1}^{d}\right)},\\ A^{p/(K^{+}-K^{-})}(x,y,z) &= 2\frac{B(y)}{A(y)} \frac{4\,h^{u_{v}}\,H_{1}^{\perp(1)fd}-h^{s_{v}}\,H_{1}^{\perp(1)f'}}{4\,f_{1}^{u_{v}}\left(D_{1}^{fd}-D_{1}^{dd}\right)+f_{1}^{s_{v}}\left(D_{1}^{d'}-D_{1}^{f'}\right)},\\ A^{n/(K^{+}-K^{-})}(x,y,z) &= 2\frac{B(y)}{A(y)} \frac{4\,h^{d_{v}}\,H_{1}^{\perp(1)fd}-h^{s_{v}}\,H_{1}^{\perp(1)f'}}{4\,f_{1}^{d_{v}}\left(D_{1}^{fd}-D_{1}^{dd}\right)+f_{1}^{s_{v}}\left(D_{1}^{d'}-D_{1}^{f'}\right)}. \end{split}$$

Assuming that the transverse spin of the sea quarks in longitudinally polarized nucleon is negligible \rightarrow

$$A_{UL}^{K^+} \propto \frac{4h_{1L}^{\perp(1)u}(x)}{4u(x) + \bar{d}(x)} \frac{H_1^{\perp u \to K^+}(z, P_\perp)}{D_1^{u \to K^+}(z, P_\perp)}$$

Study of kaon multiplicities in SIDIS is crucial for understanding of spin-orbit effects in hadronization





Spin-orbit correlations: kaons vs pions



azimuthal moments/asymmetries contain in the denominator the unpolarized x-section Expect similar effects for all favored (and unfavored) azimuthal moments/ asymmetries for unpolarized and longitudinally polarized quarks (D₁)

Hermes/Belle measurements for pions indicate

$$H_1^{\perp fav} \approx -H_1^{\perp unfav} \longrightarrow$$

Expect opposite sign for azimuthal moments/ asymmetries of favored unfavored hadrons for transversely polarized quarks (H₁)

- Spin-azimuthal asymmetries bigger for K⁺ compared to π^+
- Spin-azimuthal asymmetries for K⁻ vs K⁺ do not follow the trend of π⁻ vs π⁺ ("Kaon puzzle")





Studies of Spin-Orbit Correlations in Kaon Electroproduction in DIS with Longitudinally Polarized Hydrogen and Deuterium Targets (E12-09-009)



The double spin asymmetry **A**LL for the NH**3**-target (left) and ND**3**-target (right) as a function of the transverse momentum of hadrons, **P**T, averaged in the 0:4 < z < 0:7 range. Curves are calculated using different **k**T widths for helicity distributions.



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 $E_e = 11$ GeV, Long. Pol. NH3 (P=85%) & ND3 (P=40%), Lumi= ~ 10³⁵ cm⁻²s⁻¹

-non trivial transverse distributions of the sea quarks in the nucleon -peculiar behaviour of the fragmentation mechanism in the presence of s quark

identification of Kaons in a wide range of x, Q^2 and P_{T} is crucial for these studies

E12-09-009 will provide a complementary information on transversely polarized quarks in the longitudinally polarized nucleon and measure the Collins fragmentation of Kaons





Medium modifications of partonic distributions

In terms of the QCD, there are several contributions to P_T distribution of hadrons produced in semi-inclusive DIS:

- •primordial transverse momentum,
- •gluon radiation of the struck quark,

•the formation and soft multiple interactions of the "pre-hadron'

•the interaction of the formed hadrons with the surrounding hadronic medium



3D structure of the nucleon: GPDs

Hard exclusive processes and spatial distributions of partons



Hard exclusive pion and kaon production provides a unique possibility to study the chiral-odd GPDs describing spatial distributions of transversely polarized quarks.





Exclusive kaon production



Cross sections and asymmetries in exclusive production of KA and K Σ provide access to different combinations of chiral-odd GPDs (Goloskokov&Kroll arXiv:1106.4897)





K/K* and Λ/Σ separation







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PEPSI-Lepto predictions for x-dependence (left) and PT -dependence of kaon pion ratios.





Summary

•Correlations of spin and transverse momentum of partons are important in understanding of the nucleon structure in terms of partonic degrees of freedom of QCD.

•Existing measurements with Kaons indicate significant effects related to spin-orbit correlations in hadronization of strange quarks, making Kaon separation in a wide range of x,Q^2 and P_T , crucial.

•Identification of Kaons will significantly enhance CLAS12 capabilities to study exclusive processes involving kaons, spectroscopy,....

Measurements with Kaons in semi-inclusive and hard-exclusive processes will be crucial in understanding the underlying dynamics behind spin orbit correlations in hard processes and accomplish the CLAS12 program of studies of the 3D structure of the nucleon





Support Slides







Effect much bigger for Kaons than for pions Sign of K- is the same as for K+ (sign $H_1^{\perp fav} / H_1^{\perp unfav}$ for π and K inconsistent)

Independent, high precision measurement at large x is crucial





Collins asymmetry: kaons vs pions



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Strange Sea Momentum and Spin Dependent Distributions E12-09-007

measurements require a good charged kaon identification for the whole momentum range



High precision measurement of the shape of the strange parton distribution functions and check the ansatz that they are average of the two light sea quark distributions (unpol deuteron).



Two methods to access the strange quark polarization.

- 1. isoscalar method (only polarized deuterium is used)
- 2. flavor decomposition method (the information on both hydrogen and deuterium targets used)

E12-09-007 experiment allow studies of x-dependence of strange sea distributions in wide range of kinematics, using multidimensional binning.



Sivers asymmetry: kaons vs pions



Independent, high precision measurement in a wide Q² range is crucial





Spin-Orbit Correlations in Kaon Electroproduction in DIS with Unpolarized Hydrogen and Deuterium Targets (E12-11-111)



Measurement of Boer-Mulders asymmetry in kaon SIDIS providing complementary information on Boer-Mulders function and the Collins fragmentation functions for kaons can shed light on the "kaon puzzle", and on the structure of the nucleon in general





Acceptance with a single sector



Identification of kaons in a single sector provides full coverage in CM azimuthal angle





Collins effect



If unfavored Collins fragmentation dominates measured π - vs π +, why K- vs K+ is different?





Collins effect



 ρ production may produce

an opposite sign A_{UT}

0

% left from $e\pi X$ asm

Sub-leading pion opposite to leading (into page) $h_1 H_1^{\perp u \rightarrow \pi^+}$

ρ
Leading ρ opposite to leading π(into page)

L=1

leading π (into page)

 $H_1^{\perp u \rightarrow \rho} \sim -\frac{1}{3} H_1^{\perp u \rightarrow \pi}$ hep-ph/9606390

Fraction of direct kaons significantly higher than the fraction of direct pions.

~50%

~20%



Fraction of ρ in $e\pi X$

40%

60%

75%





Flavor and spin dependence of spatial distributions







Orbital effects on PDFs





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CLAS12 A_{UT} with transverse proton target





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From low P_T TMDs to high P_T collinear

Matching the angular integrated cross section at low P_{T} to fixed order pQCD collinear factorization calculations at high P_{T}



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1D Structure of the Nucleon (+twist-3)







Collins asymmetry - proton

