Transversely polarized Lambda production within a TMD approach

from e^+e^- to SIDIS and hadronic processes

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Extension of the Collinear pQCD with the introduction of transverse momentum dependent fragmentation function (TMD-FFs)

Polarizing TMD-FF introduced

[P.J. Mulders and R.D. Tangerman, Nucl. Phys. B461, 197 (1996)]

Studied phenomenologically in a simplified TMD approach and with collinear twist 3 PDFs.



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Phenomenological analysis:

Fixed scale:

- D'Alesio, Murgia, MZ; *Phys.Rev.D* 102 (2020) 5, 054001
- Callos, Kang, Terry; *Phys.Rev.D* 102 (2020) 9, 096007
- Chen, Liang, Pan, Song, Wei; *Phys.Lett.B* 816 (2021) 136217

Reanalysis with TMD evolution:

Transverse A polarization in e +e – annihilations and in SIDIS processes at the EIC within TMD factorization

• D'Alesio, Gamberg, Murgia, MZ; JHEP 12 (2022) 074

Transverse Λ polarization in unpolarized pp \rightarrow jet $\Lambda \uparrow X$

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- TMD Fragmentation Functions
- Convolutions and Polarization: $e^+e^- \rightarrow h^{\uparrow}_1 h_2 X$
- Fit results: Belle 2-h
- SIDIS predictions and Intrinsic Charm
- Lambda in jet: $pp \rightarrow \Lambda jet X$
- Conclusions

TMD Fragmentation Functions for quarks

8 independent TMD F	Fragmentation Functions
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		Hadron				
	Pol. States	U	L	Т		
Q	U	D_{1} Unpolarized FF		D_{1T}^{\perp} Polarizing FF		
u a r	L		G_{1L}	G_{1T}		
k	т	H_1^\perp Collins FF	H_{1L}^{\perp}	H_1/H_{1T}^{\perp}		



Polarization:

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Isospin symmetry

- No SU(2): N_u, N_d, N_s, N_{sea}
- SU(2): $N_u = N_d$, $N_{\overline{u}} = N_{\overline{d}}$, N_s , $N_{\overline{s}}$

See also: Chen, Liang, Pan, Song, Wei; Phys.Lett.B 816 (2021) 136217

Scenarios considered:

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- pFFs are different in magnitude due to the charm contribution;
- *up* pFF is positive;
- First moments are compatible, except for the strange f.m.
- Similar size for the Gaussian width.

First moments: (3) scenario



(3) Charm, SU2

- *up/down* pFFs are positive;
- $\overline{up}/\overline{down}$ pFFs are negative;
- strange/strange
 pFFs are negative;
- *up* & *strange* compatible with (1,2) scn.
- The negative sea contribution is larger in size;
- Similar size for the Gaussian width.



- All scenarios can describe $\Lambda \pi^{\pm}, \overline{\Lambda} \pi^{\pm}, \Lambda K^{-}, \overline{\Lambda} K^{+}$ data;
- Scenario (1) cannot describe ΛK^+ , $\overline{\Lambda}K^-$ data with $z_K > 0.5$;
- With the Charm contribution we obtain similar good fits and description

 Z_K



 $\Lambda + K^+$

0.75

Some remarks:

- Charm contribution in the unpolarized C.S. is necessary; Attempts were made to include this contribution also in the polarized c.s.
- We cannot distinguish between the (2) and (3) scenarios.
 If Normalization factors are free,
 up & down come out opposite, violating the SU(2) symmetry.

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Processes to explore:

- SIDIS
- Lambda in jet production in proton-proton collisions



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(2) Scenario: $x_B = 0.35$ $x_B = 0.45$ $x_B = 0.6$ 0.25 12) No IC $e^-p \rightarrow e^-\Lambda X$ (2) BHPS IC Polarization 0.00 0.0 (2) NNPDF (a) -0.2√*s_{ep}* = 28.6 GeV $e^-p \rightarrow e^-\overline{\Lambda}X$ 0.7 0.3 0.7 0.3 0.3 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.7 Marco Zaccheddu – Cake Seminar 04/24/2024

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Preliminary STAR data: arxiv/2402.01168

$$A(p_A) B(p_B) \to \operatorname{jet}(p_j) \Lambda^{\uparrow}(p_\Lambda) X \qquad \sqrt{s} = 200 \,\mathrm{GeV}$$



Kinematic cuts:

 $p_{\perp\Lambda} \leq 1.6 \,\text{GeV}/c, \quad 0 \leq z \leq 1,$ $8 \leq p_{jT} \leq 25 \,\text{GeV}/c \,\text{with} \, \langle p_{jT} \rangle = 11 \,\text{GeV}/c,$ $|\eta_j| \leq 1.0, \ p_{T\Lambda} \leq 10 \,\text{GeV}/c, \ |\eta_{\Lambda}| \leq 1.5$

Anti- k_T algorithm with cone radius R = 0.6



Polarization:
$$P_T^{\Lambda}(p_j, \xi, p_{\perp \Lambda}) = \frac{d\sigma^{\uparrow} - d\sigma^{\downarrow}}{d\sigma^{\uparrow} + d\sigma^{\downarrow}} = \frac{d\Delta\sigma}{d\sigma_{\rm unp}}$$

$$d\Delta\sigma = \sum_{a,b,c,d} \int dx_a dx_b \frac{\alpha_s^2}{\hat{s}} f_{a/A}(x_a) f_{b/B}(x_b)$$
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Unpolarized functions: CT14nnlo set for proton AKK set for Λ

Polarizing FF

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- Collinear PDFs
- Transverse momentum dependence only in the Fragmentation Function



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Some remarks:

- No Intrinsic Charm effects;
- General agreement with data but errors bars prevent drawing a strong conclusion.

Potential role of the gluon polFF:

- UnpFF contribution to unpolarized cross sec. is about 50%;
- Since quark contribution to polarization is about 5-8%;
- \rightarrow Gluon polFF can be only around 10% of its positivity bound
- \rightarrow First hint on the size of the gluon polFF, at a qualitative level

In e^+e^- and SIDIS we cannot access directly the gluon FF, since it enters only at NLO

Conclusions

- Double hadron production in e⁺e⁻: Fit results
 Charm is necessary!
 - (2) and (3) scenarios cannot be distinguished \rightarrow open issues!
- SIDIS:

predictions for the transverse Lambda polarization (2) and (3) scenarios predictions are different and can be distinguished

• $pp \rightarrow \Lambda jet X$: estimates compared with STAR data first hint on the size of the gluon polFF

Backup

- Universality of the polarizing FF (provided that factorization holds)
- Role of the charm contribution and SU(2) isospin symmetry;
- Gluon TMD unpolarized and polarizing Fragmentation Function

$$g_{K}^{q} = g_{2} \frac{b_{T}^{2}}{2}, g_{K}^{g} = \frac{C_{A}}{C_{F}} g_{K}^{q}$$

Single-inclusive Polarization





If we include 1-h data

Polarizing	Unpolarized	g_K	$\chi^2_{dof}(2\text{-h})$	$\chi^2_{dof}(2-h + 1-h)$
Gaussian	Power-Law	Logarithmic	1.192	2.813
Power-Law	Power-Law	Logarithmic	1.21	2.39

Different combinations of NP functions fits give $\chi^2_{dof} = [2.4 - 5.4]$

Different factorization or different hadronic model?

Combined Fit: Double Model

- Same parametrization for $D_{1T}^{\perp(1)}(b_T)$
- Two set of parameters for hadron models



With Power-Law model



Gaussian		Power-Law			
$\chi^2_{dof} = 1.801$		$\chi^2_{dof} = 1.565$			
	2-h	1 - h		2-h	1-h
$\langle p_{\perp}^2 \rangle_p$	0.04	0.2	p	1.352	1.623
			m	0.151	0.48



Combined Fit: Double Model

- 2-h Power-Law model
- 1-h Power-Law model



collinear limit



- Both models have same value at small b_T -
- In p_{\perp} space: same value at large p_{\perp}
- 2-h wider than 1-h: different behaviour at large b_T
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- Possible different contribution from Soft gluons





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For anti Lambda: in both scenarios the polarization is negative and is driven By the negative sign of the sea polFFs.

No IC effects

General agreement with data The large experimental error bars prevent Us to draw strong conclusions