# Hard Quasi-real photo-production at Compass Energies



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### The **QCD** Proton Picture



Nucleon Spin is Subtle: Quarks, gluons and their angular momentum caused by their high speed motion within the nucleon are contributors to the Nucleon's spin.

### What else carries the proton spin

### Longitudinal Spin Sum Rule:



 $-\Delta G$ ,  $\Delta q_i$ =are difference in the probabilities of finding a gluon/quark/antiquark with spin parallel and spin anti parallel to the spin of a longitudinally polarized nucleon.

-L<sub>z</sub> :orbital angular momenta of the quarks and gluons

Also a transverse spin sum rule, beyond the scope of this talk..







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$$A_{LL} = \frac{\sigma_{++} - \sigma_{+-}}{\sigma_{++} + \sigma_{+-}} = \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma}$$



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### Asymmetries can give us access to polarized parton information.

### **Quick Reminder of Kinematical Variables**

- $Q^2 = -(k-k')^2 \longrightarrow Virtuality of \gamma$
- $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Q}^2/2\mathbf{P} \bullet \mathbf{q}$
- = P∙q/M • V
- = v/E• V
- z =  $E_{hadron}/v$  W<sup>2</sup> = (P+q)<sup>2</sup>

- $\rightarrow$  Fraction of the nucleon's momentum carried by the parton(LO) For an elastic collision x=1
- $\rightarrow$  Energy lost by the  $\mu$
- $\rightarrow$  Energy transfer from  $\mu$  to  $\gamma$  (inelasticity.)
- $\rightarrow$  Relative energy of produced hadron
- $\rightarrow$  Invariant mass of the hadronic state







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 $\rightarrow$  **Resolved processes** contribute with the same sign for a positive  $\Delta G$  (qg, gq, qq, gg)



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### The Goals

In a NLO pQCD framework, factorization is employed to separate long and short distance elements.

To test the framework on which asymmetry results are used to extract  $\Delta G$  we will measure the unpolarized cross section.

 $\rightarrow$  This is the denominator to the definition of A<sub>11</sub>(p<sub>1</sub>)

### $\rightarrow$ A benchmark measurement

1. Measure the unpolarized differential Cross Section to confirm that the pQCD framework is applicable to data.

2. Measure double spin asymmetries  $(A_{\mu})$  to to extract  $\Delta G(x)$ 

### $\rightarrow$ The pQCD unpolarized cross section



### $\pi^{0}$ Cross-Sections compared to pQCD (p+p data)



### The experiment:

### COMPASS @CERN (Prevessin): COMMON APPARATUS FOR MUON SPECTROSCOPY:



Tertiary beam of positive muons produced in the M2 beamline at the <sup>14</sup> CERN SPS.

### The COMPASS detector at CERN's SPS



- $\rightarrow$  Spill cycle every 16.8 seconds (Flat top extraction 4.8 seconds)
- $\rightarrow$  Polarized  $\mu$  scattering off deuterons in a polarized 6 LiD solid-state target.
- $\rightarrow$  Beam energy is  $E_{\mu} = 160 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow \text{ lepton-nucleon c.m.s. energy of } \sqrt{S} \simeq 18 \text{ GeV}.$
- $\rightarrow$  Average beam polarization: P $\mu \simeq 80\%$ .

→ About  $F_d \simeq 50\%$  ("dilution factor") of the nucleon can be polarized, with an average polarization of  $P_d \simeq 50\%$ . 01/10/10



### The versatility of the detector



 $\rightarrow$  Scattered muon (µ') is detected as well as the high  $p_{_{T}}$  charged

hadrons

 $\rightarrow$  We have access to detailed information on the kinematics of the event:

 $Q^2$ , y,  $x_{hi}$ , z, W,  $p_T$  with respect to  $\gamma^*$  or hadron z axis

The high efficiency triggers give us access to different phase space regions (Q<sup>2</sup>, y)

triggers

### **Detecting low Q<sup>2</sup> events**



- → Kinematical regions of interest can be converted to angular region via the relation:  $Q^2=4EE'sin^2\theta/2$
- $\rightarrow$  At small Q<sup>2</sup> the µ' is very close to the beam, a series of hodoscopes, muon filters In combination with a hadronic energy deposition in the calorimeter are employed
- $\rightarrow$  Time of passage of the  $\mu'$  ( $\mu)$  is known with precision of better than 1ns.



### Compass' Triggers Kinematic Reach



 $\rightarrow$  We can reach these low Q<sup>2</sup> values using the High efficiency ladder and Inner Triggers



### **Compass Kinematic Reach**

2004 Data Sample



 $\rightarrow$  The detailed kinematical information on the event allows us to stay away from regions which could potentially contain events which are not of interest .



### **Measuring Cross sections: The Method**

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 $\epsilon_{Acc}$  -Detector's geometrical acceptance, reconstruction algorithm, detection inefficiencies.

 $\rightarrow$  Extracted with a MC simulation.





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Full simulation with GEANT of the spectrometer performance is incorporated at COMPASS.



 $\rightarrow$  Luminosity is measured using the beam scalers spill by spill.

→ Each spill corresponds to the beam delivered by SPS. -Every 16.8 seconds (Flattop duration of 4.8 seconds).

 $\rightarrow$  Detector effects which affect the total beam rate are accounted for: Acquisition, veto (beam halo) deadtimes.

# For the data sample of interest the luminosity has been determined within 10% accuracy.



Luminosity: Flattop selection



 $\rightarrow$  Evaluate the spill rates as seen by the beam scaler as a function of time.

 $\rightarrow$  Only events within the flattop are considered (red line)

### **COMPASS** Veto System



Bernet et al. NIMA 550(2005) 217-240.

The compass veto system prevents a large fraction of beam halo tracks from contaminating the trigger sample

During high veto signal times no triggers are taken (this includes good events)  $\rightarrow$  The "dead time" effect is taken into account in the Luminosity calculation





### Luminosity: Beam Rate



- $\rightarrow$  Ratio of the rates as measured with the random triggers and scalers is dependent on the beam intensity
- $\rightarrow$  The observed dispersion of the ratio as a consequence of the intensity dependence is accounted for in the systematic uncertainty (~5%)

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- → Evaluation of stable data and spectrometer conditions. This is particularly important for the Cross section normalization.
- → Integrated luminosity in the data set under interest is 142.4 pb<sup>-1</sup> → Dominant errors (conservative) arise mainly from uncertainty in beam flux measurement and dead times. Total 10% uncertainty.





### The NLO pQCD parametrizations

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Eur. Phys. J. C 36, 371-374 (2004)

NLO Calculations by B. Jaeger, M. Stratmann, V. Wogelsang

 $\rightarrow$  pi0 production prediction: difficult to compare at the time.

→ The updated calculations for charged hadron production at Compass' full kinematics have been performed by V. Wogelsang

 $\rightarrow$  Radiative contributions calculation, however small, has been calculated by A. Afanasiev.

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 $d(\Delta)\sigma / dp_{T} [pb / GeV]$ 

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### The NLO pQCD parametrizations: Asymmetries



Max  $\gamma$  and min  $\gamma$ correspond to minimal and maximal saturation of the polarized photon densities.

B. Jäger et al. Eur. Phys J. C 36, 371-374 (2004)

 $\rightarrow$  Additional ongoing effort by A. Afanasiev to produce a parametrization that takes into account higher twist effects.

 $\rightarrow$  We expect to make available the comparisons between these Models with compass measurements soon.



### Other Cross sections: Hadron production at high $Q^2$ .



 $\rightarrow$  Low  $p_T^2$  production and high  $Q^2$ .



 $\rightarrow$  Cross section is calculated in z bins.

- → The turn over description of hadron production from an exponential to a power like description can give insights about partonic behavior.
- $\rightarrow$  Would like to verify the pQCD description of hadron production rates at low Q<sup>2</sup> and high Q<sup>2</sup> (production rates are about an order of magnitude higher for low Q<sup>2</sup>)<sup>32</sup>

## Summary



 $\rightarrow$  Unpolarized cross sections for production of high  $\textbf{p}_{_{T}}$  hadrons

will be available soon.

 $\rightarrow$ These results will be a benchmark to test the sum over flavors NLO pQCD framework at compass energies.

 $\rightarrow$ The double spin asymmetries a function of  $p_{\tau}$  will provide

an additional precise measurement of  $\Delta G(x)$  will follow.



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# Q<sup>2</sup> and p<sub>t</sub> distributions



### A cross check on the method



Ratio of F2 measured at compass to F2 measured at NMC. The agreement between the measurements provides confidence In the method of calculating the total integrated luminosity.