

Azimuthal Asymmetries from Unpolarized Data at COMPASS



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- Intrinsic k_T of quarks in the nucleon:
 - Cahn effect
- Transverse momentum dependent distribution functions (TMDs)
 - measured with unpolarized nucleons



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TMDs

Three parton distribution functions when integrating over k_{\perp}



TMDs

Eight parton distribution functions when taking into account k_{\perp}



Unpolarized SIDIS taking into account k_T

3 independent azimuthal modulations of hadrons:

$$A_{\cos\phi_h}^{UU}$$
 $A_{\cos 2\phi_h}^{UU}$ $A_{\sin\phi_h}^{LU}$

Kinematical factors:

$$\varepsilon_{1} = \frac{2(2-y)\sqrt{1-y}}{1+(1-y)^{2}} \qquad \varepsilon_{2} = \frac{2(1-y)}{1+(1-y)^{2}} \qquad \varepsilon_{3} = \frac{2y\sqrt{1-y}}{1+(1-y)^{2}} \qquad \lambda_{l} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{beam} \\ \text{polarization} \end{array}$$

Azimuthal asymmetries in unpolarized SIDIS

• Cahn effect:



Boer-Mulders effect: Boer-Mulders TMD



• twist-3 effect due to beam polarization

Cahn effect

The unpolarized SIDIS cross section:

$$d\sigma^{lp \to l'hX} = \sum_{q} f_q(x, Q^2) \otimes d\sigma^{lp \to l'q} \otimes D_q^h(z, Q^2)$$

The elementary cross-section:

$$d\sigma^{lp
ightarrow l'q} \propto \hat{s}^2 + \hat{u}^2$$

Taking into account the quark transverse momentum:

$$\hat{s} = sx \left[1 - \frac{2k_T}{Q} \sqrt{1 - y \cdot \cos\phi} \right] + O\left(\frac{k_T^2}{Q}\right)$$



Quark spin can be unevenly distributed in transverse space

A distortion in the distribution of quark spin in transverse space can give rise to a Boer-Mulders function *Burkardt, hep-ph/0510408*

Acceptance correction:

For each bin in x, z and P_T^h , the detector acceptance is corrected by a Monte-Carlo simulation:



Acceptance correction:

The azimuthal acceptance has been studied in two dimensions:



Acceptance correction:

Correction of data for acceptance effects and fitting:



Results: $A_{\cos\phi}^{UU}$



Results: $A_{\cos 2\phi}^{UU}$



Results: $A_{\sin\phi}^{LU}$



Comparision with theory



<
$$k_{\perp}^2$$
 >, < p_{\perp}^2 > (GeV/c)²

0.25, 0.20 Anselmino et al. (EMC data)0.38, 0.16 Schweitzer et al. (HERMES data)

 k_{\perp} : quark trans. Momentum p_{\perp} : hadron transv. momentum

Considering Cahn effect only:

$$A_{\cos\phi_h}^{UU}(z, k_{\perp}^2, p_{\perp}^2) = \frac{z \langle k_{\perp}^2 \rangle \sqrt{\pi}}{2 \langle Q \rangle \sqrt{z^2 \langle k_{\perp}^2 \rangle + \langle p_{\perp}^2 \rangle}}$$

Schweitzer et al.

Comparision with HERMES+Clas



COMPASS results for unpolarized azimuthal asymmetries on a ⁶LiD target for pos. and neg. Hadrons:

- The measured cos\u03c6_h amplitude is large and negative (up to -0.15)
- > The $cos2\phi_h$ amplitude is positive (0.05)
- There is a clear difference in amplitudes between positive and negative hadrons
 hint for flavour dependence of Boer-Mulders function



Acceptance cuts



Systematic uncertainty

the sources of the systematic error which have been checked and included in the evaluation are the following:

- differences between amplitudes of the azimuthal modulations extracted using the 3 different MC samples
- differences between amplitudes of the azimuthal modulations extracted from transverse and longitudinal data (different apparatus setup → 2 different MC descriptions)
- estimation of possible azimuthal effects from unknown inefficiencies of detectors in low redundancies region

Systematic uncertainty

other studies ...

- a first calculation of the possible effects of radiative corrections have been performed using RADGEN and have been found to be relatively small
- more amplitudes have been added in the fitting function to the ones expected from the unpolarized cross section

compatible with zero

... not included in the systematic errors