

TMD observables in unpolarized Semi-Inclusive DIS at COMPASS

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- Q^2 the photon virtuality
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The structure functions $F_{XY[,Z]}^{[f(\varphi_h)]}$ can be written in terms of

- TMD Parton Distributions Functions (PDFs)
- TMD Fragmentation Functions (FFs).

Unpolarized structure functions





Two main observables : the topics covered in this talk

1) Azimuthal asymmetries

$$A_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h} = \frac{F_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h}}{F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon F_{UU,L}} \qquad A_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi_h} = \frac{F_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi_h}}{F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon F_{UU,L}} \qquad A_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h} = \frac{F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h}}{F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon F_{UU,L}}$$

2) Transverse-momentum distributions $\rightarrow F_{UU,T}$



- spin asymmetries with transverse and longitudinal spin polarization important results on the extraction of transversity and Sivers functions
- SIDIS with unpolarized target
 azimuthal asymmetries and P²_T-distributions on deuteron NEW: ON PROTON

 $\frac{\text{New: Collins and Sivers}}{\text{asymmetries for inclusive }\rho^0}$ $\frac{\text{Talk by A. Kerbizi}}{\text{Talk by A. Kerbizi}}$

COMPASS (COmmon Muon Proton Apparatus for Structure and Spectroscopy):

- 24 institutions from 13 countries (about 220 physicists)
- a fixed target experiment
- located in the CERN North Area, along the SPS M2 beamline

Broad research program:

- SIDIS with μ beam, with (un)polarized deuteron or proton target.
- Hadron spectroscopy with hadron beams and nuclear targets
- Drell-Yan measurement with π^- beam with polarized target
- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)
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A multipurpose apparatus:

- Two-stage spectrometer, about 330 detector planes
- μ identification, RICH, calorimetry

New: COMPASS DY results Talk by Y-H. Lien



The COMPASS location at CERN

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The 2016 COMPASS run





Both measurements of azimuthal asymmetries and P_T^2 distributions require Monte Carlo simulations for

- the acceptance correction (LEPTO generator)
- the **subtraction of exclusive hadrons** (HEPGEN generator) \rightarrow next slides

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Contribution from exclusive hadrons

Hadrons from the decay of exclusive diffractive vector mesons *(exclusive hadrons)*, well visible in the data $Talk by W. Augustiniak on \rho^0 SDMEs$

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The exclusive peak as observed in the data





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They show strong modulations in the azimuthal angle
 → they are estimated and discarded/subtracted



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Impact on the azimuthal asymmetries calculated for the deuteron data

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Steps in the measurement:

- 1. Exclusive hadrons:
 - the visible component is *discarded*
 - the non-visible component is *subtracted* using the HEPGEN Monte Carlo
- 2. Acceptance correction
- 3. Fit of the **amplitude of the modulation in the azimuthal angle** of the hadrons
 - as a function of x, z or P_T (1D)
 - with a simultaneous binning (3D)

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Azimuthal asymmetries – $1D - Q^2$ dependence

proton target

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Binning in Q^2

- The $A_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h}$ asymmetry is observed to increase with Q^2
- Flavor-independent expectation from the Cahn effect:

$$A_{UU|Cahn}^{\cos\phi_h} = -\frac{2zP_T\langle k_T^2\rangle}{Q\langle P_T^2\rangle}$$

- \rightarrow A strong dependence of $\langle k_T^2 \rangle$ on Q^2 , or the relevance of other terms in the asymmetry
- The difference between positive and negative hadrons decreases with Q^2 .

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Azimuthal asymmetries – $1D - Q^2$ dependence





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 P_{τ} (GeV/c)

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Azimuthal asymmetries – 1D – W dependence





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Azimuthal asymmetries – 3D – $A_{UU}^{cos\phi_h}$





3D azimuthal asymmetries for positive and negative hadrons

Clear signal, strong dependence on P_T ; compatible with zero at high z. In agreement with COMPASS deuteron results.

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Azimuthal asymmetries – 3D – $A_{UU}^{cos2\phi_h}$





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Transverse-momentum distributions

- give complementary information on k_T and p_{\perp} w.r.t. azimuthal asymmetries
- are interesting for the TMD evolution studies: a lot of theoretical work to reproduce the experimental distributions over large energy range
- cross section gives more information: the work is ongoing

In gaussian approximation, at small values of P_T , the number of hadrons is expected to follow:







In good agreement with previous deuteron results [COMPASS, PRD97 (2018) 032006]

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Transverse momentum distributions – exponential fit





Distributions fitted with an exponential function up to $P_T = 1 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$

Evolution of the slope with z

Transverse momentum distributions – exponential fit





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Transverse momentum distributions - W dependence





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Characterization of the kinematic dependences: some examples



Their ratio in the common x, Q^2 bins



Linear trend: expected from the ratio of two exponential distributions with (slightly) different slope

Transverse momentum distributions - W dependence



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$$\frac{dN_h}{dz \, dP_T^2} = \frac{dN_h}{dz \, 2P_T dP_T} = \frac{dN_h}{dz \, dP_T / z} \frac{1}{2zP_T} \approx \frac{dN_h}{dz \, dq_T} \frac{1}{2zP_T}$$



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Thank you



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DIS events selected with standard cuts:

 $Q^2 > 1 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$ $W > 5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ 0.003 < x < 0.130, 0.2 < y < 0.9 $\theta_{\gamma} < 60 \text{ mrad}$



 $x - Q^2$ correlation in the data (left) and for the exclusive ρ events (right) exclusive events concentrated at small x and Q^2 .



z > 0.1

 $P_T > 0.1 \, {\rm GeV}/c$

Distributions of z and P_T normalized to their integral,

for the data, LEPTO, HEPGEN ρ and HEPGEN ϕ .

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AZIMUTHAL ASYMMETRIES 1D Acceptance modulations



Correction for acceptance applied to each ϕ bin, taken as the ratio of reconstructed and generated hadrons:

$$c_{acc}(\phi) = \frac{N_h^{rec}(\phi)}{N_h^{gen}(\phi)}$$

Azimuthal modulations of the acceptance in 1D binning, for μ^+ beam and positive (red) and negative hadrons (black).



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AZIMUTHAL ASYMMETRIES 3D Acceptance modulations





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Azimuthal asymmetries – 3D



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- ← Total contamination of exclusive hadrons: increases with *z* and decreases along *x* and *P_T*.
 80% reduction after discarding exclusive events in the data
- ↓ **Raw asymmetry in \cos \phi_h** for exclusive hadrons: almost no dependence on *x*, mild on *P*_T, strong on *z*



Azimuthal asymmetries – 3D



3D azimuthal asymmetries for positive and negative hadrons





Azimuthal asymmetries – $1D - Q^2$ dependence





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Contribution from exclusive hadrons



[COMPASS, NPB 886 (2014) 1046] [COMPASS, NPB 956 (2020) 115039] **Example:** $cos \phi_h$ asymmetry $0.1 < P_T / (GeV/c) < 0.3$

- Comparison of not-subtracted (open points) and corrected (close points) asymmetries for positive hadrons.
- Correction applied at the asymmetry level







AZIMUTHAL ASYMMETRIES 3D Comparison with deuteron results



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P_T^2 - DEPENDENT DISTRIBUTIONS Acceptance



$$c_{acc}(P_T^2) = \frac{N_h^{rec}(P_T^2)}{N_h^{gen}(P_T^2)}$$

The acceptance is shown here in the first z bin, for positive and negative hadrons. A flat plateau at values larger than 50% and, in some bins, a decrease at large P_T^2 .



P_T^2 - DEPENDENT DISTRIBUTIONS Comparison with deuteron results



The new preliminary results are compared to published results on a deuteron target [COMPASS, PRD97(2018) 032006]

The old results (an example in the right plot) have been renormalized over the first point and averaged over x and Q^2 in order to match the current binning, while the z and P_T^2 binning has not been modified.

The agreement between new proton results and old deuteron ones is good.



New preliminary results (closed markers) compared to renormalized published results on deuteron (empty markers).

The binning for the current analysis has been chosen to be easily compared to the published one (an example on the right).



P_T^2 - dependent distributions



0.30 < z < 0.40





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P_T^2 - dependent distributions



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 $\frac{dN}{dT} \frac{dP_T^2}{dT}$

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Distributions also inspected in more bins of Q2 and in 2 bins of W to characterize the kinematic dependences



 $Q^2 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$

0.30 < z < 0.40 • h⁺, W<12 GeV/c² • h⁻, W<12 GeV/c²

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