Review on recent results from RHIC polarized collider; unexpected forward neutron asymmetry

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Outline

- RHIC
 - Polarized Proton
 - STAR & PHENIX
- Transverse
 - Soft Process (very forward n)
 - Hard Process (forward π)
- Longitudinal
 - Gluon Spin
 - Sea Quark Spin



The Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider accelerator complex at Brookhaven National Laboratory









PHENIX

STAR

Advantage	High resolution and rates	Large acceptance and low mass
Central arm	$ \eta $ <0.35, $\Delta \phi \sim \pi$	$ \eta < 1, \Delta \phi \sim 2\pi$
Target observables	γ , π^0 and γ	Jet and correlation
Forward arm	1.2< η <2.4	2< η <4
Target observables	μ	<mark>π⁰ and</mark> η

Forward π⁰ and very forward neutron **TRANSVERSE SINGLE SPIN ASYMMETRY**



Transverse Asymmetry Observables



Production Mechanism of Forward Neutron



Well Explained by One-Pion Exchange



 p^+p Forward Neutron A_N Spin flip Spin non-flip Neutron Neutron 1 proton proton π^+ proton proton $A_{N} \approx \frac{\left(\phi_{non-flip}^{*}\phi_{flip}\sin\delta\right)}{\left|\phi_{non-flip}\right|^{2} + \left|\phi_{flip}\right|^{2}}$ δ : phase shift

p^+p Forward Neutron A_N



Data are well reproduced by the interference between π and a_1 Reggeon

The First Time Ever High Energy $p^{\uparrow} + A$ Collisions







What is going on ?



	# of proton	# of neutron
р	1	0
Al	13	14
Au	79	118

- Isospin Symmetry
- Surface Structure of Nucleus
- QED Process
- Gluon Saturation
- Else...

Primakoff Effect Electro-Magnetic













Full Description of A_N

$$A_N \propto 2 \operatorname{Im} \left\{ \phi_{non-flip}^* \phi_{flip} \right\}$$

 $\phi_{flip} = \phi_{flip}^{had} + \phi_{flip}^{EM}$ $\phi_{non-flip} = \phi_{non-flip}^{had} + \phi_{non-flip}^{EM}$ $d_{1\sim4}$: relative phase of amplitudes $A_N \propto 2 \operatorname{Im} \left(\phi_{non-flip}^{had} + \phi_{non-flip}^{EM} \right) \left(\phi_{flip}^{had*} + \phi_{flip}^{EM*} \right)$ $= 2 \left(\phi_{non-flip}^{had} \phi_{flip}^{had} \sin \delta_1 + \phi_{non-flip}^{EM} \phi_{flip}^{had} \sin \delta_2 + \phi_{non-flip}^{had} \phi_{flip}^{EM} \sin \delta_3 + \phi_{non-flip}^{EM} \phi_{flip}^{EM} \sin \delta_4 \right)$ $\rightarrow 0$ (For pp) small large

Beam-Beam Counter



Can we identify Primakoff events?



Primakoff MC : SOPHIA G. Mitsuka, Eur. Phys. J.C. (2015) 75:614



BBC Tagging and Vetoing



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Coulomb-Nuclear Interference in Forward Neutron Production



Diffractive Process Required?

Non-Diffractive Events



Transverse Asymmetry Observables



Single Transverse Spin Asymmetries



$A_{N} = \frac{1}{P} \frac{\sigma_{L}^{\pi} - \sigma_{R}^{\pi}}{\sigma_{L}^{\pi} + \sigma_{R}^{\pi}}$

E704: Left-right asymmetries



Theory Expectation:

Small asymmetries at high energies (Kane, Pumplin, Repko, PRL 41, 1689-1692 (1978))

$$A_{N} \propto rac{m_{q}}{\sqrt{S}}$$
 $A_{N} O(10^{-4})$
Theory

Experiment: (E704, Fermi National Laboratory, 1991)

 $pp^{\uparrow} \rightarrow \pi + X$ $\sqrt{s} = 20 \, \text{GeV}$ $A_N O(10^{-1})$ Measured

Energy Dependence of A_N





What Could be the Cause?



Sivers Effect +higher twist

 transverse-momentum dependence of partons inside the transversely-polarized nucleon



Collins Effect +higher twist

- correlation between transversely-polarized nucleon and transversely polarized partons inside
- Collins fragmentation function



ΓAR



The more isolated π^0 , the larger the A_N . Smaller A_N for jet-like events?





Transverse Summary

- Very drastic and unexpected A-dependence was observed in very forward neutron A_N.
- According to MC study, EM process likely to be in charge of the large positive asymmetry in large A.
- A-dependence in strong interaction is likely to be moderate as existing model predicts.
- Forward π has been studied in pQCD framework, but recent data indicate possibility of soft process may be (partially) playing a role.

So far, "diffractiveness" can be the common key word of both asymmetries.



$\Delta G, \Delta \overline{q} \quad \text{Polarization} \\ \textbf{LONGITUDINAL PROGRAM} \\$

Proton Spin Decomposition



Longitudinal Spin Sum Rule

$$S_{z} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma + \Delta G + L_{z}$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \downarrow \qquad \downarrow \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\sim 30\% \qquad ? \qquad ??$$

Quark Spin
$$\Delta \Sigma = \int (\Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s + \Delta \overline{u} + \Delta \overline{d} + \Delta \overline{s}) dx$$

Sea quark
Gluon Spin $\Delta G(x) = \int \Delta g(x) dx$

Longitudinal Spin Structure Longitudinally Polarized proton-proton Hadron Asymmetry $pp \rightarrow hX$ D_f^h **PDF** $\widehat{\sigma}$ Spin dependence f_{b} **Fragmentation Function** Double Helicity Asymmetry ALL $A_{LL} = \frac{d\sigma^{++} - d\sigma^{+-}}{d\sigma^{++} + d\sigma^{+-}} = \frac{\sum_{a,b} \Delta f_a \otimes \Delta f_b \otimes d\hat{\sigma}^{f_a f_b \to fX} \cdot \hat{a}_{LL}^{f_a f_b \to fX} \otimes A_{LL}}{\sum_{a,b} f_a \otimes f_b \otimes d\hat{\sigma}^{f_a f_b \to fX} \otimes D_f^h}$

Subprocess of pp



Latest A_{LL} Results



$\Delta q(\mathbf{x})$ extraction : Global Fit arXiv:1602.03922 1.5 DIS + SIDIS **RHIC** projection. 90% C.L. constraint data ≤ 2015 **DSSV 2014 EIC** projection рр $\sqrt{s} = 78 \text{ GeV}$ with 90% C.L. band 1 $\int dx \, \Delta g$ proton spin 0.5 Global Fit 0 $Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ $\Delta q(x), \Delta \overline{q}(x), \Delta g(x)$ -0.5 10⁻⁵ 10⁻³ 10 -4 10⁻² -1 10 1 x_{min} $\int_{0.05}^{0.2} \Delta g(x) \, dx = 0.2 \pm_{0.07}^{0.06}$



Single Lepton Measurement







Energy Spectra

Single Lepton Asymmetry A_L



Summary

- RHIC spin program has been providing new insights to spin structure of proton
- Absolutely unexpected strong A-dependence in very forward neutron TSSA of p+A.
- EM process likely to be taken into account.
- More sophisticated measurements on forward π TSSA to disentangle competing effects (ISI or FSI).



- Diffractiveness may connects between forward π and very forward n.
- Latest data shows non-zero gluon spin fraction
- Ongoing W analyses will improve precision of seaquark polarized parton distribution



BACKUP SLIDES

Event Generation of UPCs



The LHCf experiment



UPC Monte Carlo

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Special Article - Tools for Experiment and Theory

Forward hadron production in ultra-peripheral proton-heavy-ion collisions at the LHC and RHIC

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Abstract We present a hadron production study in the forward rapidity region in ultra-peripheral proton-lead (p + Pb)collisions at the LHC and proton–gold (p + Au) collisions at RHIC. The present paper is based on the Monte Carlo simulations of the interactions of a virtual photon emitted by a fast moving nucleus with a proton beam. The simulation consists of two stages: the STARLIGHT event generator simulates the virtual photon flux, which is then coupled to the SOPHIA, DPMJET, and PYTHIA event generators for the simulation of particle production. According to these Monte Carlo simulations, we find large cross sections for ultra-peripheral collisions particle production, especially in the very forward region. We show the rapidity distributions for charged and neutral particles, and the momentum distributions for neutral pions and neutrons at high rapidities. These processes lead to substantial background contributions to the investigations of



Predicts comparable yields between QCD and UPC processes

Coulomb-Nuclear Interference

Proton



Proton

Elastic A_N at Coulomb Nuclear Interference



Run15 Au, Al beam + p⁺target



- Strong A-Dependence
- Flips sign of A_N in Au+[⊕]
- $0.002 < -t < 0.014 (Gev/c)^2$

Forward Neutron 0.02 < -t < 0.5 (Gev/ c)²

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Underlying Mechanism Comparison



Interim Summary (CNI)

- CNI is not necessarily new.
- Elastic in much smaller –*t* than present neutron results observed similar behavior, but the asymmetry is in the order of 5% or less.
- There are possible diagram to hadron and EM interfere for neutron production as well.

Measurement of the Analyzing Power in the Primakoff Process with a High-Energy Polarized Proton Beam

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The origin of Asymmetry

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cording to Eq. (1), the asymmetry seen in photoproduction due to the interference between Δ and N^* is expected in coherent Coulomb π^0 production by polarized protons, using the same region of the π^0 -p invariant mass. Therefore this process may be used to measure the polarization of the proton at high energies.⁶ Until now, there has been no measurement of the asymmetry in the nuclear coherent process.

The cross section for the Coulomb coherent process (1) has a sharp peak at $t' \sim 10^{-5}$ (GeV/c)² and decreases rapidly as t'/t^2 . The "width" of the Coulomb peak is determined by the detector resolution. Diffractive dissociation due to the strong interaction is also present, but it has a much slower t' dependence.

We have measured the analyzing power (azimuthal asymmetry) of nuclear Coulomb coherent production from a Pb target by using the newly constructed 185-GeV/c Fermilab polarized proton beam.⁷ The beam polarization is 45% and this is further described in Ref. 7. To reduce certain systematic errors, the spin direction of the incident proton was flipped every 10 min using a spin-rotator system.⁷

monitored to a 1% accuracy with a xenon-flash-tube system. A 30-GeV positron beam was used to calibrate the calorimeter. The measured energy resolution is 3% (rms) at 30 GeV and the position resolution is 2 mm (rms). The measured π^0 energies in this experiment ranged from 25 to 75 GeV.

A set of thin plastic scintillation counters (TP1) is placed downstream of the magnet and provides the trigger for the scattered protons. The set consists of four counters arranged to distinguish protons scattered to the left, right, up, and down. The calorimeter also has left, right, up, and down sections, and signals from each section are summed for the trigger. In the coherent process where t' is almost zero, the π^0 and scattered protons are coplanar. Thus the trigger logic is such that the energy deposit is larger than 25 GeV in the left half of the calorimeter, less than 5 GeV in the right half, and a proton hits the right segment of TP1. There are four such combinations to cover the whole range of azimuthal angles. To reject the events which have any extra particle besides a proton and π^0 , veto counters are included in the trigger logic.

Origin of the Asymmetry



 $A_N \propto \phi_{non-flip}^{had} \phi_{flip}^{had} \sin \delta_1 + \phi_{non-flip}^{EM} \phi_{flip}^{had} \sin \delta_2 + \phi_{non-flip}^{had} \phi_{flip}^{EM} \sin \delta_3 + \phi_{non-flip}^{EM} \phi_{flip}^{EM} \sin \delta_4$

Comparison between two

	Fermi	PHENIX	STAR17
Beam Energy [GeV]	185	100	255
√s [GeV]	19.5	200	22
Target	Pb	Au	Al/Sn/Au
Observables	p + π ⁰	n (+ charged)	n(+ charged) π ⁰ ?
t'	< 0.001	0.02 < -t < 0.5	
Μ	$1.36 < M(\pi^0 p) < 1.52$?	?
A _N	- 0.57 ± (0.12) _{sta} + 0.21 - 0.18	+ 0.27 ± 0.003 (BBC veto)	

Origin of the Asymmetry $\stackrel{\pi^0}{\longrightarrow}$ p-* Fermi , π+ × RHIC $A_N \propto \phi_{non-flip}^{had} \phi_{flip}^{had} \sin \delta_1 + \phi_{non-flip}^{EM} \phi_{flip}^{had} \sin \delta_2 + \phi_{non-flip}^{had} \phi_{flip}^{EM} \sin \delta_3 + \phi_{non-flip}^{EM} \phi_{flip}^{EM} \sin \delta_4 = 0$







Theory: K_T vs Collinear Factorization



Future



Present and Future

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Transverse Summary



x_F and p_T Dependence



s^{1/2}=200 GeV and 500 GeV show same rise of A_N vs. x_F as lower s^{1/2} measurements Collins, Sivers, Twist-3 suggest A_N~1/p_T
 Flat P_T-dependence observed and raises the question as to what causes it



Did not observe A-dependence unlike very forward neutron A_N in PHENIX