

POLARIZATION TEST FOR QUASI-FREE KNOCKOUT OF NUCLEON FROM NUCLEAR SHORT-RANGE CORRELATED NN PAIR

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Short-range correlated (SRC) NN pairs play an important role in structure of atomic nuclei and are actively studied using electron and proton beams [1]. Recently the reaction $^{12}\text{C}+p\rightarrow^{10}\text{A}+pp+N$ was studied at BM@N in JINR [2] using the ^{12}C beam at energy of 4 GeV/nucleon interacting with the hydrogen target to probe the SRC pairs $\{pN\}$ in the ^{12}C . The pp scattering in the subprocess $p+\{pN\}\rightarrow p+p+N$ occurred at the scattering angles $\sim 90^\circ$ in the pp c.m.s. and all three final nucleons were detected as well as the residual nucleus ^{10}A . For theoretical analysis of this reaction [3] is used a properly modified approach developed earlier [4] to describe the quasi-elastic knock-out of fast deuterons from the light nuclei ^{12}C and $^{7,6}\text{Li}$ by protons in the reactions (p,pd) and (p,nd). A basic assumption in theoretical description of SRC NN correlations in nuclei is a factorization of the two-nucleon momentum distribution in nucleus $n(k_1, k_2)$ over the internal, $n_{rel}(q_{rel})$, and the c.m.s., $n_{cm}(k_{c.m.})$, momenta [1]. For the internal $n_{rel}(q_{rel})$ distribution the deuteron (or singlet deuteron) wave function squared is used for the realistic NN-interaction potentials. Relativistic effects in the quasi-elastic knockout of nucleon from the SRC pair $p+\{NN\}\rightarrow p+N+N$ are taken into account in the light-front dynamics [5] similarly to the deuteron breakup reaction $p+d\rightarrow p+n$. According to the results of the data analysis of the $^{12}\text{C}+p\rightarrow^{10}\text{A}+pp+N$ reaction [2] the initial and final state interaction (ISI&FSI) with nuclear medium is non-important in the reaction in question at kinematic conditions of the BM@N experiment. Here we estimated the ISI&FSI effects within the eikonal approximation using the Glauber model for the $N-^{10}\text{A}$ scattering. The one-loop approximation with elastic $N-^{10}\text{A}$ rescatterings was applied and the ISI&FSI effect was found to be moderate. However, another question concerning the mechanism of the subprocess $p+\{NN\}\rightarrow p+N+N$ and the role of ISI&FSI in it is much less clear. Only in case of dominance of the quasi-free mechanism (or impulse approximation) of the nucleon knockout in the subprocess $p+\{NN\}\rightarrow p+N+N$ one can extract the internal momentum distribution $n_{rel}(q_{rel})$ from the data on the reaction $^{12}\text{C}+p\rightarrow^{10}\text{A}+pp+N$. One can show (see Ref. [6] and references therein), that the tensor analyzing power T_{20} of the reaction $p+d\rightarrow p+n$ for the quasi-free mechanism of the nucleon is easily expressed via the ratio $u(q)/w(q)$ of the S- and D- components of the deuteron wave function in the momentum space $u(q)$ and $w(q)$, respectively, and has a very specific behavior as a function of the module of q [6]. Therefore, a measurement of the T_{20} in the reaction $p+d\rightarrow p+n$ at the same kinematics as for the subprocess $p+\{NN\}\rightarrow p+N+N$ in the reaction $A(p,ppN)B$, i. e. at large momentum of the nucleon spectator and large pp-scattering angle $\sim 90^\circ$, and a subsequent comparison with the results of the IA calculation of the T_{20} , will provide a crucial test for the quasi-free mechanism of this subprocess. A similar test based on the measurement of the T_{20} of the reaction $e+d\rightarrow e+p+n$ can be used to check quasi-free mechanism of the nucleon knockout by electron from the SRC NN pair in the reaction $A(e,epN)B$. This work is supported in part by the RFBR grant № 18-02-40046.

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