# π<sup>0</sup> Single Spin Asymmetries Measurements with CLAS

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## Semi-Inclusive DIS kinematics



v = E - E' $Q^{2} = (l - l')^{2}$ y = v/E $x = Q^{2}/2Mv$  $z = E_{h}/v$ 

 $\frac{d\sigma_N}{dxdydzd\phi_h dP_T} \sim DF(x,k_T) \times \sigma(y) \times FF(z,P_T)$ 

distribution functions : probability to find a **u**quark with a momentum fraction *x*  fragmentation function probability for a **u**-quark to produce a hadron with momentum fraction *z* 

# **BSA in SIDIS**

$$\frac{d\sigma_{UU}}{dxdydz} \sim (1 - y + y^2/2)f_1(x)D_1(z)$$
$$\frac{d\sigma_{LU}}{dxdydzd\phi_h dP_{h\perp}^2} = \lambda_e \sqrt{y(1 - y)}\sin\phi_h F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h}$$

$$D_1, H^{\perp}$$
 - Leading twist fragmentation functions  
 $e, g^{\perp}$  - Higher twist distribution functions

$$A_{LU}^{\sin(\phi_h)} = \frac{\sigma_{LU}}{\sigma_{UU}} \sim f(y)$$

$$f(y) = \frac{y\sqrt{1-y}}{1-y+y^{2}/2}$$

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### $\pi^0$ identification







Much higher background for semi-inclusive events than for exclusive.

For each bin  $IM(\gamma\gamma)$  have been fitted with Gaussian plus linear polinom.

#### CLAS data vs LUND MC



MC-simulation based on LUND provides satisfactory description of the data

### Asymmetry extraction and fitting in MC



MC reconstructed moments is consistent with generated

#### Asymmetry in MC



0.175 0.175 0.15 0.125 0.1 0.125 0.1 0.125 0.1 0.075 0.05 0.05 0.025 0 0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 1 PT

Asymmetry extraction procedure checked on MC and there is no acceptance effects on asymmetry.

#### **Background behavior**



Background fraction is independent on helicity Background fraction decreases with increase of z

Asymmetry extraction and fitting



## Missing mass vs z



For further analyses safe cuts 0.4<z<0.7 and MM(x)>1.4 GeV have been applied

### **Comparison with HERMES**



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Agreement is good within the error bars. Systematic uncertainties calculated from background subtraction and fitting procedures.

"/f(y) correction factor is applied! 
$$f(y) = \frac{y\sqrt{1-y}}{1-y+y^2/2}$$
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## $\pi^0$ and $\pi^+$



 $\pi^0$  and  $\pi^+$  asymmetries are comparable, indicating that Sivers mechanism is providing dominating contribution (Collins function suppressed for  $\pi^0$ ).

#### $A_{LU}$ vs z and $P_T$ for different $x_B$ bins



Sivers type contribution ?

# Conclusions

- SIDIS MC consistent with data.
- Asymmetry extraction procedure checked (dependence on binning and fitting procedures).
- Significantly improved SSA measurement for semi- inclusive  $\pi^0$ .
- Asymmetry versus z,  $P_T$  and  $x_B$  extracted.
- Comparison of  $\pi^0$  and  $\pi^+$  SSA indicates that Sivers mechanism is dominant.
- More analyses underway with 2009 data!

### Support slides

A. Afanaseva, E. Carlson, arXiv:hep-ph/0603269v2 (2006)



FIG. 6: The distribution function  $g^{\perp}(x, \vec{\Delta}_{\perp}^2)$  for  $|\vec{\Delta}_{\perp}| = 0.4$ GeV. The two special cases are described in detail in the text. A short summary is that the nucleon in the quark+diqurk pole case is overall electrically neutral, and in the quark+proton pole case has unit charge. In both cases all flavors of quark in the final state are summed.

N/q	U	L	Т
U	<b>f</b> <sub>1</sub>		$h_1^{\perp}$
L		g1L	$h_{1L}^{\perp}$
Т	$f_{1T}^{\perp}$	$g_{1T}$	$h_1$ , $h_{1T}^{\perp}$

Table 1: Leading twist transverse momentum dependent distribution functions. The U,L,T correspond to unpolarized, longitudinally polarized and transversely polarized nucleons (rows) and quarks (columns)

N/q	U	L	Т
U	$f^{\perp}$	$g^{\perp}$	h, $e$
L	$f_L^{\perp}$	$g_L^{\perp}$	$h_L$ , $e_L$
Т	$ f_T , f_T^{\perp} $	$g_T$ , $g_T^{\pm}$	$h_T$ , $e_T$ , $h_T^{\perp}$ , $e_T^{\perp}$

Table 2: Twist-3 transverse momentum dependent distribution functions. The U,L,T correspond to unpolarized, longitudinally polarized and transversely polarized nucleons (rows) and quarks (columns)

$$\begin{split} F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h} &= \frac{2M}{Q} \, \mathcal{C} \left[ -\frac{\tilde{h} \cdot k_T}{M_h} \left( xe \, H_1^\perp + \frac{M_h}{M} \, f_1 \frac{\tilde{G}^\perp}{z} \right) + \frac{\tilde{h} \cdot p_T}{M} \left( xg^\perp D_1 + \frac{M_h}{M} \, h_1^\perp \frac{\tilde{E}}{z} \right) \right] \\ & \frac{\tilde{G}^\perp}{z} &= \frac{G^\perp}{z} - \frac{m}{M_h} \, H_1^\perp, \\ & \frac{\tilde{E}}{z} &= \frac{E}{z} - \frac{m}{M_h} \, D_1, \end{split}$$

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## RC

QEDRadiativeCorrectionsin Processes of Exclusive Pion Electroproduction A. Afanaseva, I. Akushevichb, V. Burkerta, K. Jooa arXiv:hep-ph/020813v1 (2002)



FIG. 7: W-dependence of the beam polarization asymmetry in neutral pion production. The solid (dashed) curve denote the asymmetry with (without) RC. MAID2000 was used to compute the structure functions.

#### Multiplicity z dependence from e1dvcs



