

Two photon exchange and beam normal spin asymmetries in the A4 experiment

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A4 experimental setup

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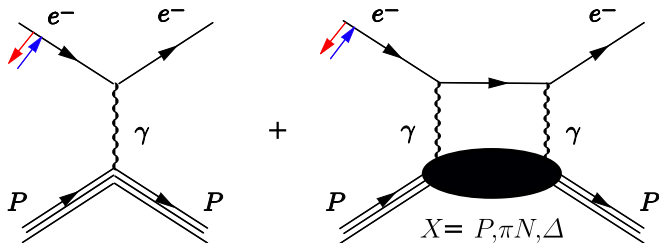
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Summary and outlook

Outline

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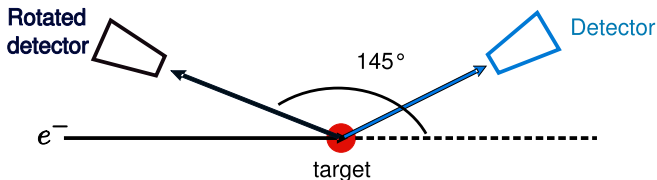


- ▶ $R = G_E^p/G_M^p$ discrepancy $\rightarrow 2\gamma$ exchange amplitude $A_{2\gamma}$
- ▶ Observable: Beam normal spin asymmetry BNSA
- ▶ BNSA sensitive to $Im(A_{2\gamma})$.
- ▶ Access to the intermediate states: $p, \pi^0 p, \pi^+ n, \Delta, \dots$

Outline

A4 experimental setup

A4 experimental concept



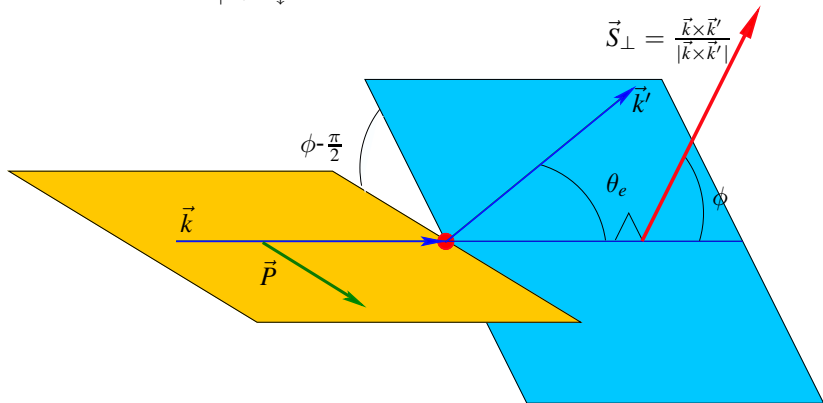
Rotable detector at forward and backward angles

$$A_{\perp} = \frac{\sigma^+ - \sigma^-}{\sigma^+ + \sigma^-} = \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-}$$

σ of (quasi)elastic scattered electrons on unpolarized nucleon

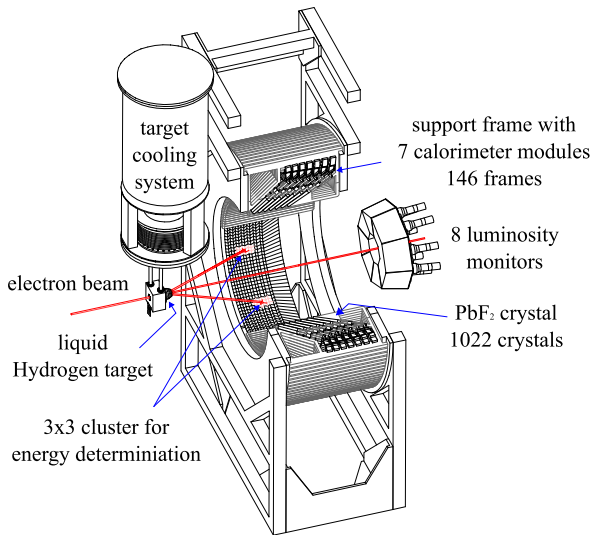
Asymmetry dependency on azimuthal angle

$$A_{\perp}^m = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow} - \sigma_{\downarrow}}{\sigma_{\uparrow} + \sigma_{\downarrow}} = A_{\perp}(\theta) \vec{P}_e \cdot \vec{S} = A_{\perp} \cos \phi$$



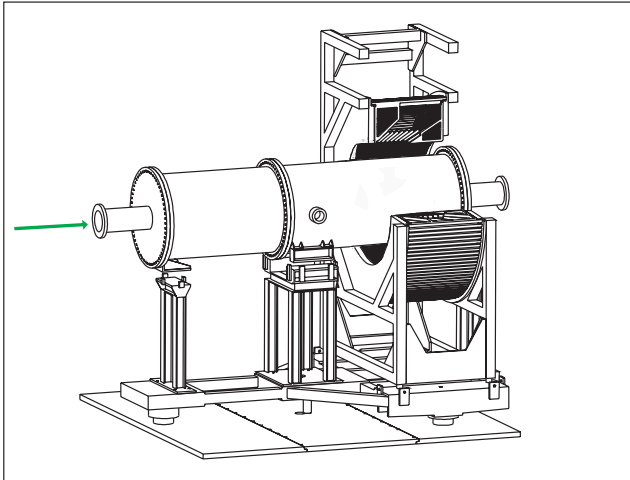
$$A_{\perp} \sim 10^{-5}$$

Target and detectors at forward angles

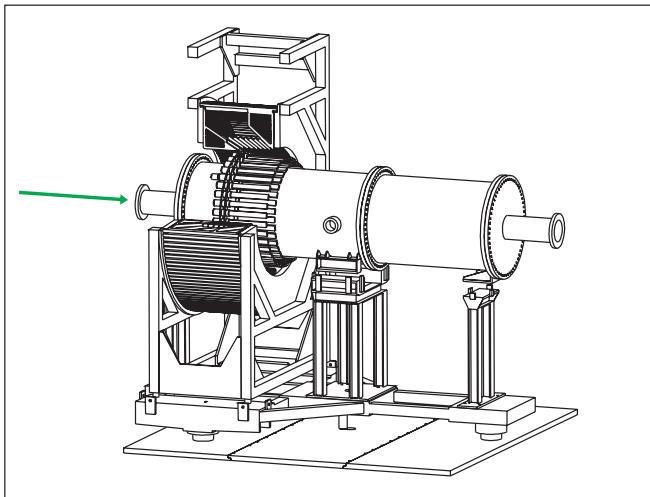


- ▶ Detector covers 2π ϕ .
- ▶ Counts single events and measures energy.
- ▶ Target of liquid H₂ and D₂.

Detector at forward angles

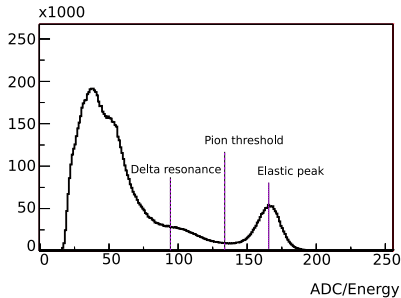


Rotated detector at backward angles



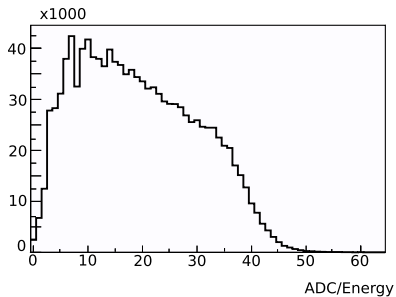
PbF₂ energy spectrum

Forwards, E = 854.3 MeV



- ▶ Elastic peak clearly separated
- ▶ Background of $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$ energetically separated.

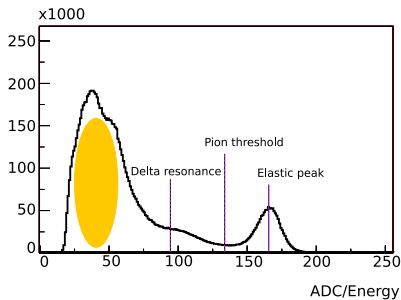
Backwards, E = 315.1 MeV



- ▶ Elastic peak not separated
- ▶ Background of γ s and elastic peak: same energy range

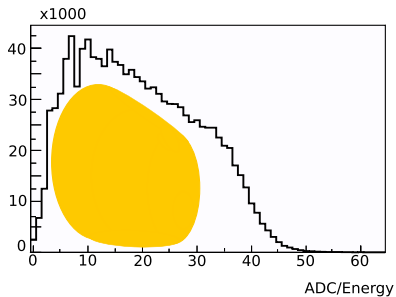
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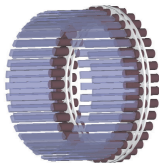


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Plastic scintillators

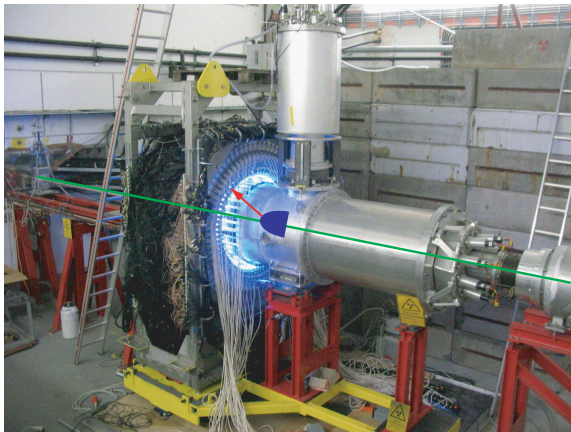


- ▶ Plastic scintillators detect charged particles. Neutral particles not detected.



- ▶ 72 plastic scintillators: two rings of 36 with overlap.

Target and detectors at backward angles



Extra detector at backward angles: plastic scintillators

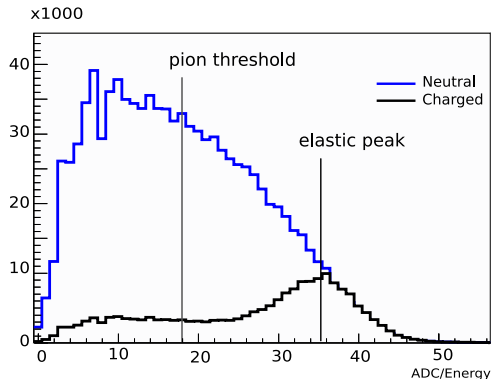
List of A4 measurements

θ	E [MeV]	Q^2 [GeV ²]	target	spin	process
30° – 40°	855	0.23	H_2	0°	PV
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140° – 150°	315	0.23	H_2	0°	PV
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140° – 150°	420	0.35	H_2	90°	2 γ
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30° – 40°	1508	0.62	H_2	0°	PV
30° – 40°	420	0.06	H_2	90°	2 γ
30° – 40°	510	0.09	H_2	90°	2 γ
30° – 40°	315	0.03	H_2	90°	2 γ
30° – 40°	855	0.23	H_2	90°	2 γ
30° – 40°	1508	0.62	H_2	90°	2 γ
140° – 150°	200	0.10	H_2	0°	PV
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Outline

Extraction of the beam normal spin asymmetry at $E = 315$ MeV

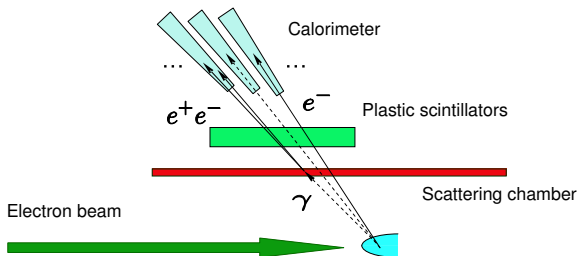
Energy spectra for I-H₂ target



- ▶ Two histograms: charged particles and neutral particles
- ▶ Separation of the elastic peak in the charged particles spectrum

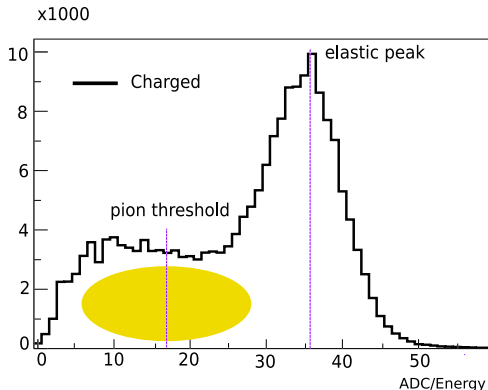
Background in the charged particles spectrum

- ▶ $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$ and $\gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$ in materials before calorimeter



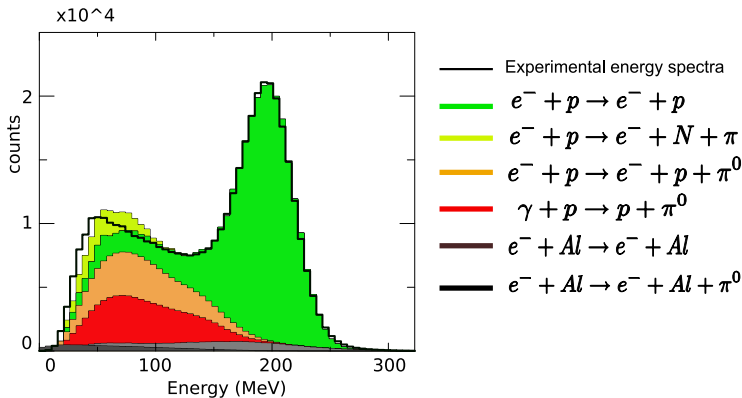
- ▶ γ background in the spectrum of charged particles
- ▶ Scattering on aluminium windows

Energy spectra for I-H₂ target



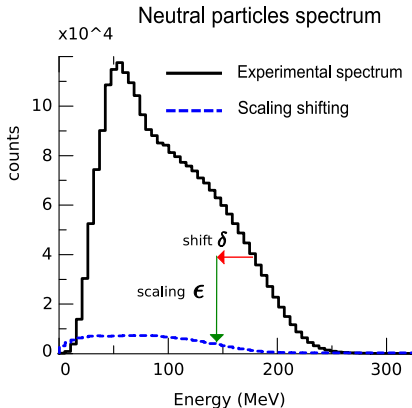
- ▶ Separation of the elastic peak in the charged particles spectrum
- ▶ Still neutral background from $\gamma \rightarrow e^-e^+$

Understanding the energy spectrum



- ▶ Monte Carlo Geant4 simulation: e^- processes and γ s
- ▶ Background from Al walls: measurement with empty target
- ▶ Agreement above 125 MeV

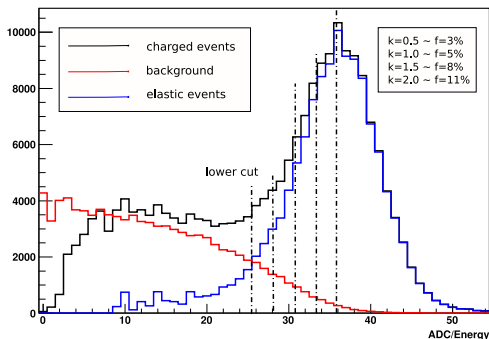
Background obtained from neutral spectrum



- ▶ γ background A_{\perp} ?
- ▶ From experimental spectrum of neutral particles
- ▶ Method to obtain γ background
- ▶ Parameters
 - ▶ shift δ : energy loss of electrons
 - ▶ scaling factor ϵ : probability of γ conversion

Energy spectrum with H₂

target H₂, E = 315 MeV, Q² = 0.23 (Gev/c)², θ = 145°

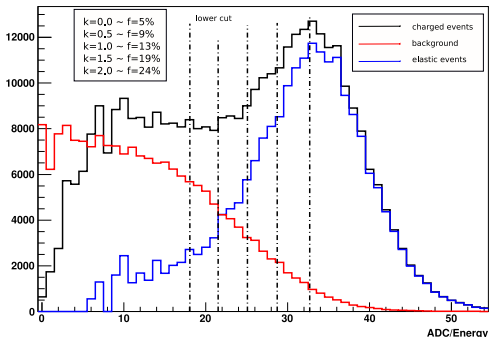


Elastic scattered electrons and background from $\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$

$$A_{\perp} = \frac{A_c - f \cdot A_{\gamma}}{1 - f}, \quad \text{dilution factor } f = \frac{N_{\gamma}}{N_c}$$

Energy spectrum with D_2

target D_2 , $E = 315$ MeV, $Q^2 = 0.23$ (Gev/c) 2 , $\theta = 145^\circ$



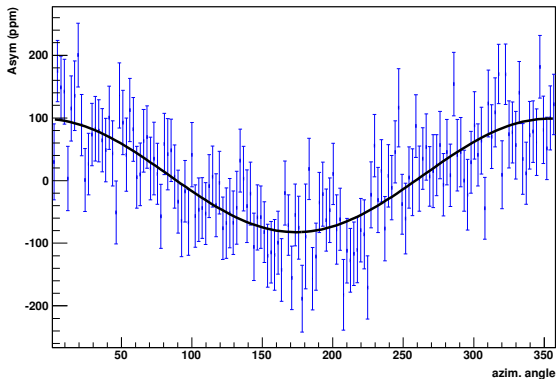
Quasi-elastic scattered electrons and background from $\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$

$$\text{Static approximation } A_{\perp}^d = \frac{\sigma_p A_{\perp}^p + \sigma_n A_{\perp}^n}{\sigma_p + \sigma_n}$$

BNSA of the elastic events on H₂

target H₂, E = 315 MeV, Q² = 0.23 (Gev/c)², θ = 145°

$$A_{\perp} = A_0 \cos(\phi + \delta) + p$$



$$\chi^2/\nu = 0.94$$

$$P = 0.68$$

$$A_{\perp} = (-91.58 \pm 4.28) \text{ ppm}$$

$$\alpha = (5.62 \pm 3.81)^{\circ}$$

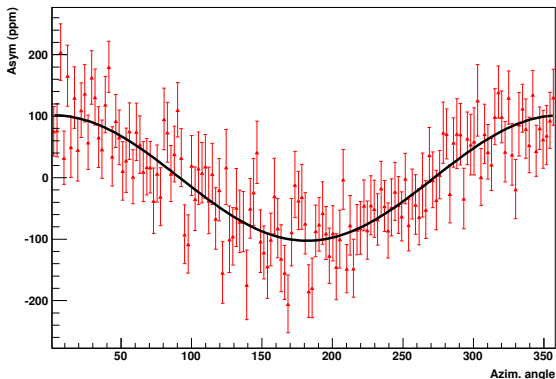
$$p = (6.76 \pm 4.25) \text{ ppm}$$

Dependence on the azimuthal angle

BNSA of the background

target H_2 , $E = 315$ MeV, $Q^2 = 0.23$ (Gev/c) 2 , $\theta = 145^\circ$

$$A_{\perp} = A_0 \cos(\phi + \delta) + p$$



$$\chi^2/\nu = 1.01$$

$$P = 0.47$$

$$A = (-90.48 \pm 3.98) \text{ ppm}$$

$$\alpha = -2.60 \pm 3.10$$

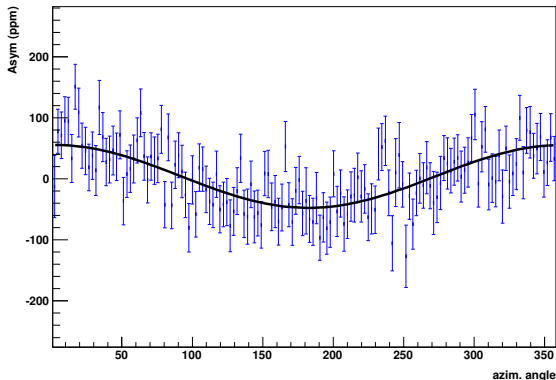
$$p = (-1.50 \pm 2.97) \text{ ppm}$$

Dependence on the azimuthal angle

BNSA of the quasielastic events on D_2

target D_2 , $E = 315$ MeV, $Q^2 = 0.23$ (Gev/c) 2 , $\theta = 145^\circ$

$$A_{\perp} = A_0 \cos(\phi + \delta) + p$$



$$\chi^2/\nu = 0.90$$

$$P = 0.81$$

$$A = (-51.32 \pm 3.30) \text{ ppm}$$

$$\alpha = (-2.30 \pm 4.86)^\circ$$

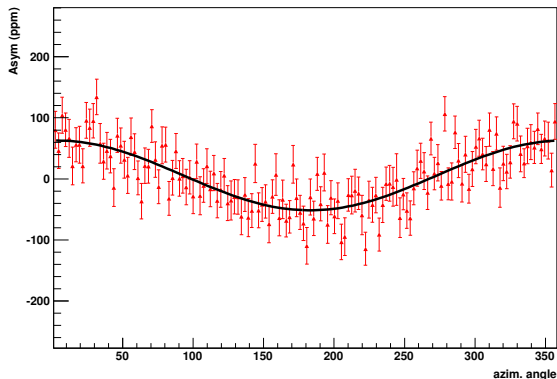
$$p = (4.36 \pm 3.19) \text{ ppm}$$

Dependence on the azimuthal angle

BNSA of the background

target D_2 , $E = 315$ MeV, $Q^2 = 0.23$ (Gev/c) 2 , $\theta = 145^\circ$

$$A_{\perp} = A_0 \cos(\phi + \delta) + p$$



$$\chi^2/\nu = 1.01$$

$$P = 0.47$$

$$A = (-54.06 \pm 2.82) \text{ ppm}$$

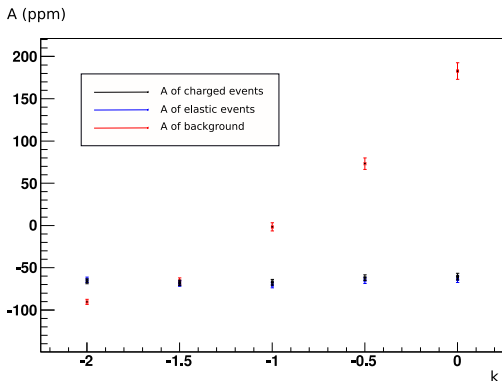
$$\alpha = (-2.60 \pm 3.10)^\circ$$

$$p = (-1.50 \pm 2.97) \text{ ppm}$$

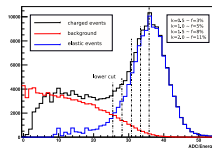
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Extracted BNSA

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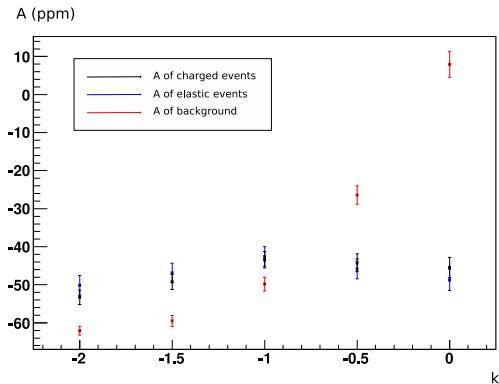


Dependence on the lower cut ($= \mu - k \cdot \sigma$)
BNSA of background depends strongly on energy

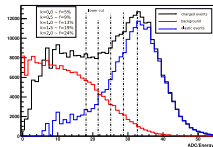


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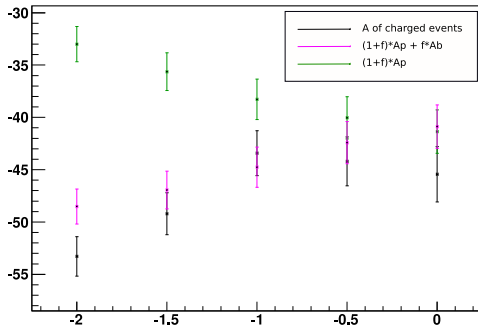


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Dependence on the lower cut
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Data analysis plan

- ▶ Asymmetry is extracted for every module and every run.

$$A_{\perp} = \frac{A_c - fA_{\gamma}}{1 - f}$$

- ▶ Average of asymmetries over all runs for each frame (azimuthal angle)
- ▶ Correction of systematics and evaluation of systematic errors
- ▶ Normalization to the electron beam polarization $A_{\text{phys}} = \frac{A_{\text{exp}}}{P_e}$

Outline

Measurements at $E = 315 \text{ MeV}$

target H_2 , $E = 315 \text{ MeV}$, $Q^2 = 0.23 \text{ (Gev/c)}^2$, $\theta = 145^\circ$

- ▶ Low cut $k = 1.5\sigma$, dilution factor $f = 8\%$
- ▶ 5 inner rings of the calorimeter: 730 crystals
- ▶ 50 hours of data taking
- ▶ Altogether 10^{11} elastic events
- ▶ Effective $P_e = 77.0\%$, error $\Delta(P_e) = 4\%$
- ▶ Statistical error: $\sigma(A) = \frac{1}{P_e \sqrt{N_{el}}} \Rightarrow \sigma(A) = 4.13 \text{ ppm}$

Systematics and measurement

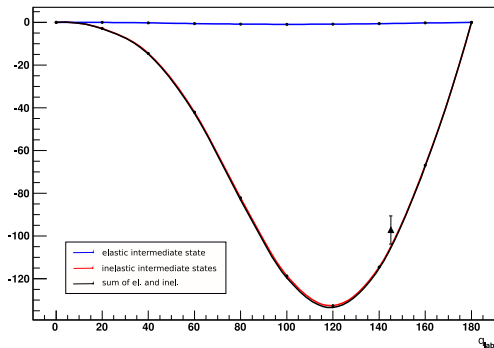
target H_2 , $E = 315$ MeV, $Q^2 = 0.23$ (Gev/c) 2 , $\theta = 145^\circ$

	Scaling factor	Error(ppm)
Polarization	0.77	3.29
	Correction(ppm)	Error(ppm)
Dilution of γ backgr.	-1.10	1.16
ϵ, δ parameters	-	2.90
Helicity corr. beam diff.	-0.12	0.70
Non-helicity corr. beam fluc.	-	1.03
Al windows	-1.93	0.10
Random coinc. events	-1.25	0.07
Luminosity	-0.61	0.20
Nonlinearity of L	-0.47	0.17
spin angle deviation	-0.65	0.89
Sum syst. errors		4.79

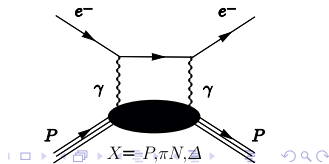
$$A_{\perp} = (-96.61 \pm 4.13 \pm 4.79) \text{ ppm}$$

Model calculation of the BNSA for proton

target H_2 , $E = 315$ MeV, $Q^2 = 0.23$ (Gev/c) 2 , $\theta = 145^\circ$



Inelastic intermediate states contribution to BNSA is dominant



target D_2 , $E = 315 \text{ MeV}$, $Q^2 = 0.23 \text{ (Gev/c)}^2$, $\theta = 145^\circ$

- ▶ Low cut $k = 1.0\sigma$, dilution factor $f = 13\%$
- ▶ 5 inner rings of the calorimeter: 730 crystals
- ▶ 60 hours of data taking
- ▶ Altogether $1.7 \cdot 10^{11}$ elastic events
- ▶ Effective $P_e = 79.0\%$, error $\Delta(P_e) = 4\%$
- ▶ Statistical error: $\sigma(A) = \frac{1}{P_e \sqrt{N_{el}}} \Rightarrow \sigma(A) = 3.04 \text{ ppm}$

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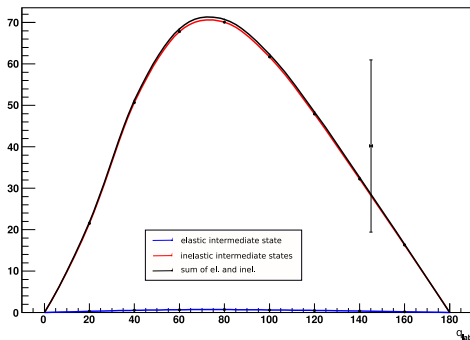
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	Scaling factor	Error(ppm)
Polarization	0.79	2.23
	Correction(ppm)	Error(ppm)
Dilution of γ backgr.	2.73	1.28
ϵ, δ parameters	—	0.97
Helicity corr. beam diff.	-0.40	0.32
Non-helicity corr. beam fluc.	—	1.14
Al windows	0.50	0.05
Random coinc. events	-1.55	0.10
Luminosity	-0.97	0.41
Nonlinearity of L	-0.82	0.25
spin angle deviation	-0.90	1.30
Sum syst. errors		3.29

$$A_{\perp} = (-55.46 \pm 3.04 \pm 3.29) \text{ ppm}$$

Model calculation of the BNSA for neutron

target D_2 , $E = 315$ MeV, $Q^2 = 0.23$ (Gev/c) 2 , $\theta = 145^\circ$



$$A_{\perp}^d = \frac{\sigma_p A_{\perp}^p + \sigma_n A_{\perp}^n}{\sigma_p + \sigma_n} \Rightarrow$$

$$A_{\perp}^n = (40.00 \pm 20.79) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

Barbara Pasquini et al. Phys. Rev. C 70, 045206 (2004)

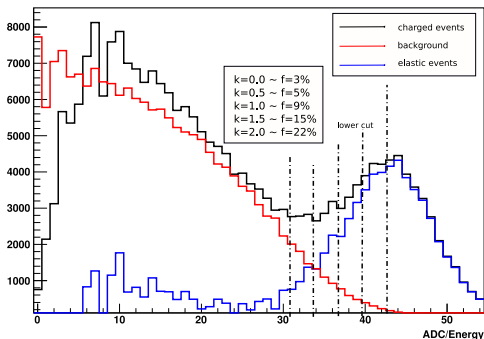
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Extraction of the beam normal spin asymmetry at $E = 420$ MeV

Energy spectrum with H₂

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$$A_{\perp} = A_0 \cos(\phi + \delta) + p$$

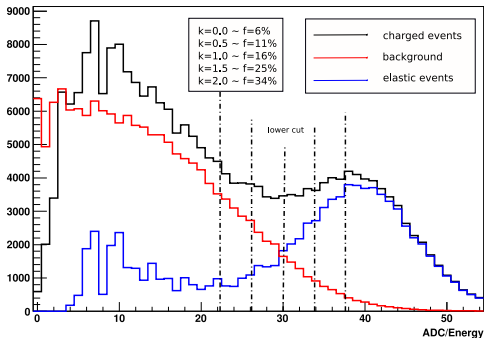


Elastic scattered electrons and background

$$A_{\perp} = \frac{A_c - f \cdot A_{\gamma}}{1 - f}, \quad \text{dilution factor } f = \frac{N_{\gamma}}{N_c}$$

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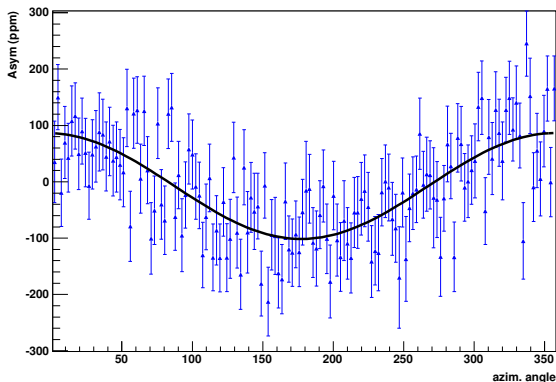


Quasielastic scattered electrons and background

$$\text{Static approximation } A_{\perp}^d = \frac{\sigma_p A_{\perp}^p + \sigma_n A_{\perp}^n}{\sigma_p + \sigma_n}$$

BNSA of the elastic events on H₂

target H₂, E = 420 MeV, Q² = 0.35 (Gev/c)², θ = 145°



$$\chi^2/\nu = 1.12$$

$$P = 0.14$$

$$A_{\perp} = (-93.97 \pm 7.30) \text{ ppm}$$

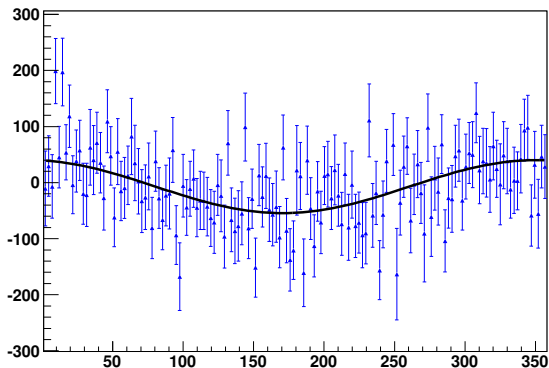
$$\alpha = (2.66 \pm 4.44)^{\circ}$$

$$p = (-7.34 \pm 5.17) \text{ ppm}$$

Dependence on the azimuthal angle

BNSA of the elastic events on H₂

target D₂, E = 420 MeV, Q² = 0.35 (Gev/c)², θ = 145°



$$\chi^2/\nu = 1.12$$

$$P = 0.14$$

$$A_{\perp} = (-49.93 \pm 5.27)$$

ppm

$$\alpha = (7.39 \pm 6.05)^{\circ}$$

$$p = (-4.33 \pm 3.73) \text{ ppm}$$

Dependence on the azimuthal angle

Outline

Measurements at $E = 420$ MeV

target H_2 , $E = 420 \text{ MeV}$, $Q^2 = 0.35 \text{ (Gev/c)}^2$, $\theta = 145^\circ$

- ▶ Low cut $k = 1.5\sigma$, dilution factor $f = 15\%$
- ▶ 5 inner rings of the calorimeter: 730 crystals
- ▶ 85 hours of data taking
- ▶ Altogether $8.2 \cdot 10^{10}$ elastic events
- ▶ Effective $P_e = 74\%$, error $\Delta(P_e) = 4\%$
- ▶ Statistical error: $\sigma(A) = \frac{1}{P_e \sqrt{N_{el}}} \Rightarrow \sigma(A) = 4.73 \text{ ppm}$

Systematics and measurement

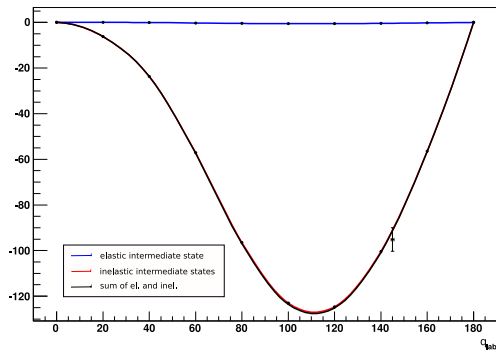
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	Correction(ppm)	Error(ppm)
Dilution of γ backgr.	-1.37	2.09
ϵ, δ parameters	-	-0
Helicity corr. beam diff.	0.10	0.92
Non-helicity corr. beam fluc.	-	1.62
Al windows	-4.79	0.24
Random coinc. events	3.63	0.19
Luminosity	-1.59	0.52
Nonlinearity of L	-1.30	0.64
spin angle deviation	-	-
Sum syst. errors		5.11

$$A_{\perp} = (-97.42 \pm 4.73 \pm 5.11) \text{ ppm}$$

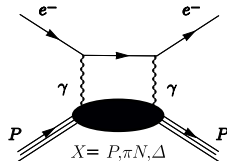
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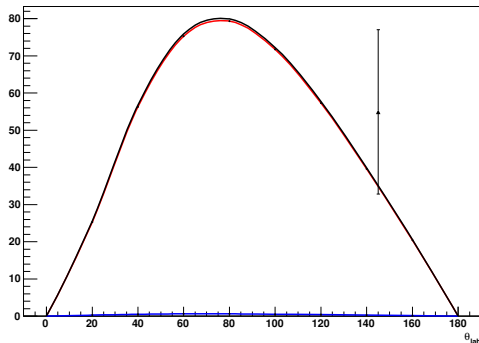
target D_2 , $E = 420 \text{ MeV}$, $Q^2 = 0.35 (\text{Gev}/c)^2$, $\theta = 145^\circ$

- ▶ Low cut $k = 1.0\sigma$, dilution factor $f = 16\%$
- ▶ 5 inner rings of the calorimeter: 730 crystals
- ▶ 83 hours of data taking
- ▶ Altogether $6.2 \cdot 10^{10}$ elastic events
- ▶ Effective $P_e = 85\%$, error $\Delta(P_e) = 4\%$
- ▶ Statistical error: $\sigma(A) = \frac{1}{P_e \sqrt{N_{el}}} \Rightarrow \sigma(A) = 4.73 \text{ ppm}$

$$A_{\perp} = (-49.97 \pm 4.20 \pm 2.18) \text{ ppm}$$

Model calculation of the BNSA for neutron

target D_2 , $E = 315$ MeV, $Q^2 = 0.23$ (Gev/c) 2 , $\theta = 145^\circ$



$$A_{\perp}^d = \frac{\sigma_p A_{\perp}^p + \sigma_n A_{\perp}^n}{\sigma_p + \sigma_n} \Rightarrow A_{\perp}^n = (54.94 \pm 22.11) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

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