

SeaQuest: Probing Protons and Nuclei with Dileptons

Main Injector 120 GeV

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Complementarity of Drell-Yan and DIS



Both Drell-Yan and deep-inelastic scattering are tools to probe the quark and antiquark structure of hadrons



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Drell-Yan with a proton beam: Tag antiquarks in target

• Fixed-target kinematics:

- Large $x_F (= x_{beam} x_{target})$
- $M^2 = x_{beam} x_{target}$ s plays role of Q² in DIS

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx_b dx_t} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{9x_b x_t} \sum_q e_q^2 [q(x_b)\bar{q}(x_t) + q(x_t)\bar{q}(x_b)]$$

- Proton beam: antiquark density negligible at large x, so first term dominates
- Isolate antiquarks in the target
 - For pion beam instead have antiquark in beam, quark in target
- Alter combinations of protons and neutrons—and therefore sea quark distributions—by changing targets





Sensitivity of Drell-Yan to sea antiquarks compared to DIS



(Very high Q shown)

Deep-inelastic lepton-nucleon scattering – virtual photon couples only to electric charge of (anti)quark, insensitive to whether it's a quark or antiquark





Setting the stage for E906/SeaQuest: Striking flavor asymmetry in sea mapped out by E866

 Proton-hydrogen and protondeuterium collisions

$$\frac{\sigma^{pd}(x_t)}{2\sigma_{pp}(x_t)} \approx \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \frac{\bar{d}(x)}{\bar{u}(x)} \right]^*$$
*simplest leading-order expression

- Expect anti-down/anti-up ratio of 1 if sea quarks only generated dynamically by gluon splitting
 - Gluons don't couple to flavor
 - Up and down quark masses similar
- Indicates other mechanism(s) generating sea quarks—still not well understood!



PRD64, 052002 (2001)





...And nuclear effects seen by E772 that differ from DIS





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- But note—Drell-Yan results shown vs. x_{target}, which is x of sea quarks (proton rather than pion beam)
 DIS instead dominated by valence for ~0.1<x< 0.3
- If nuclear binding mediated by pions, why no clear excess of antiquarks in nuclei??
- Both DIS and D-Y data demonstrate rich and intriguing differences for nuclei compared to free nucleons, which vary with the linear momentum fraction probed (and likely transverse momentum, impact parameter, . . .)





Fermilab E906/SeaQuest













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0.3

1.75

1.5

0.25

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 $R^{A}_{F_{2}}$



antishadowing



Invariant mass distribution

- Mass resolution ~180 MeV/c²
 - Better than expected!
- Data agree well with simulation







Results for cross section ratio sensitive to light sea asymmetry

- <50% of anticipated data
- Suggests ratio does not drop off sharply as observed by E866
- Curves are calculations based on CT10 pdfs (include E866 data) and experiment kinematics



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Extracted light sea asymmetry

- Preliminary SeaQuest results above last two points from E866
- Statistical and systematic uncertainties will be reduced for final results
- No strong conclusion yet . . .



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Probing sea quark distributions in nuclei



- <10% of anticipated data
- Consistent with E772, no clear evidence for "antishadowing" of sea quark distributions (yet?)
- Pushing into x range (0.3<x<0.8) where DIS sees a depletion of the valence densities ("EMC effect")
- Can high-x sea measurements shed light on mechanisms generating these nuclear effects?





Probing (anti)quark spin-momentum correlations in unpolarized Drell-Yan

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto 1 + \lambda \cos^2 \theta + \mu \sin 2\theta + \frac{\nu}{2} \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi$$



D. Boer, PRD60, 014012 (1999)

- cos2¢ term sensitive to correlations between quark transverse spin and quark transverse momentum → Boer-Mulders transverse-momentumdependent (TMD) pdf
- Evidence for such correlations also in semi-inclusive DIS data
- Large cos2¢ dependence seen in pion-induced Drell-Yan from multiple experiments



See poster #35 by R. Evan McClellan on D-Y angular distributions C. Aidala, Photnuclear Reactions, 8/10/16



What about proton-induced Drell-Yan?

E866, PRL 99, 082301 (2007); PRL 102, 182001 (2009)



Boer - Mulders function h_1^{\perp}

v(π -W \rightarrow μ + μ -X)~ [valence h_1^{\perp}(\pi)] * [valence h_1^{\perp}(p)] v(pd \rightarrow μ + μ -X)~ [valence h_1^{\perp}(p)] * [sea h_1^{\perp}(p)]



- Significantly reduced but nonzero cos2¢ dependence in proton-induced D-Y
- Suggests sea quark transverse spin-momentum correlations small?
- What about higher-*x* sea quarks in SeaQuest??
 - SeaQuest statistics dominated by x_{target} near flavor asymmetry peak
 - Probe flavor asymmetry origins via sea quark *dynamics*



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So Drell-Yan with a proton beam is useful for probing sea quarks in your target . . . But do we have many reasons to expect sea quarks to be interesting?





Sea quarks—many hints of interesting behavior already!



Data from E537 (pbar+W): PRD38, 1377 (1988) E439: (p+W): AIP Conf. Proc. 45, 93 (1978)

- p+W: (Valence) quark from p, (sea) antiquark from W
- pbar+W: (Valence) quark from W, (valence) antiquark from pbar
- (Valence × sea) spectrum harder → Larger mean k_T for sea than valence quarks?
 - Agrees with chiral soliton model predictions (e.g. Schweitzer, Strikman, Weiss 2013)
 - Consistent with work by Bacchetta et al.





Flavor asymmetry in the sea helicity distributions

NNPDF, NPB 887.276 (2014)



And of course flavor asymmetry in unpolarized, collinear sea

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Transversity for sea quarks nonzero and flavor-asymmetric?



Initial lattice calculation finds transversity for sea nonzero and flavor-asymmetric! Chen et al., arXiv:1603.06664

Also chiral quark soliton model Schweitzer et al., PRD64, 034043 (2001)



No constraining measurements yet



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SIDIS Sivers transverse single-spin asymmetries larger for K^+ than π^+





COMPASS, PLB744, 250 (2015)

HERMES, PRL103, 152002 (2009)

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Large K⁻ and antiproton transverse single-spin asymmetries in p+p at RHIC



We have a lot to learn about the nucleon and nuclear sea!





Other thoughts on SeaQuest Drell-Yan measurements SeaQuest: 120 GeV p beam on p, d, C, Fe, W

- Constraints on unpolarized TMD pdfs and their evolution via multidifferential Drell-Yan cross sections
- Nuclear modification of unpolarized TMD pdfs for sea quarks via ratios of p_T-dependent yields
- Will be able to compare p+W directly with previous pi-W and pbar+W
 - Lowest pion beam energies 125, 194 GeV, not far from 120 GeV
 - Pion-tungsten data measured large angular modulations
 - Antiproton beam energy 125 GeV
- Quark energy loss traversing nuclear matter preview result in backup slides





Physics with J/Y at SeaQuest

- J/ Ψ multidifferential cross section and polarization in p+p, p+A \rightarrow J/ Ψ production mechanism(s)
- Probe QCD phase diagram(?)



- $-\sqrt{s} = 15.4$ GeV, near phase transition, between RHIC beam energy scan energies of 14.5 and 19.6 GeV
- Search for TMD factorization breaking effects check if nonperturbative p_T width for J/ Ψ not in line with Drell-Yan p_T width as a function of mass











- Proton-induced Drell-Yan provides unique tagging of sea quarks in the nucleon and nuclei
- Early results now coming out from Fermilab SeaQuest!
- With more measurements to provide meaningful constraints, will need consistent treatment of sea quarks in theory/phenomenology
- Understanding the *dynamics* of sea quarks, which probe beyond static pictures of antiquarks in the nucleon/nuclei, will be crucial to understanding how the nucleon/nuclear sea is generated













Long history of fixed-target Drell-Yan at Fermilab

- E288 200, 300, and 400 GeV p beams on Be, Cu, and Pt targets
- E325 200, 300, and 400 GeV p beams on Cu target
- $E326 225 \text{ GeV} \pi$ beam on W target
- E439 400 GeV p beam on W target
- E444 225 GeV, π +/-, K+, proton/antiproton beams on C, Cu, W targets
- E537 125 GeV antiproton and π^{-} beams on W target
- E605 800 GeV p beam on Cu target
- $E615 252 \text{ GeV} \pi$ beam on W target
- E772 800 GeV p beam on deuterium, C, Ca, Fe, W targets
- E866/NuSea 800 GeV p beam on hydrogen, deuterium targets
- E906/SeaQuest 120 GeV p beam on hydrogen, deuterium, C, Fe, W targets Running since 2014





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DIS data on nuclear targets



• Klaus Rith, *Present status of the EMC effect*. arXiv:1402.5000





Drell-Yan decay angular distributions



 θ and ϕ are the decay polar and azimuthal angles of the μ^+ in the dilepton rest frame: Collins-Soper frame

A general expression for Drell-Yan decay angular distributions

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sigma}\right)\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \left[\frac{3}{4\pi}\right]\left[1 + \lambda\cos^2\theta + \mu\sin2\theta\cos\phi + \frac{\nu}{2}\sin^2\theta\cos2\phi\right]$$

- Lam-Tung relation: $1 \lambda = 2v$
 - Reflects the spin-1/2 nature of (anti)quarks
 - Analog of the Callan-Gross relation in deep-inelastic scattering





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Lam-Tung relation

- Lam and Tung, PRD18, 2447 (1978)
- Theoretically robust

$$1 - \lambda = 2\nu$$

- Unaffected by NLO [O(α_s)] corrections
- NNLO [O(α_s^2)] corrections small
 - Mirkes and Ohnemus, PRD 51, 4891 (1995)
- Preserved under resummation of soft gluons
 - Berger, Qiu, and Rodrigues-Pedraza, arXiv:0707.3150 and PRD 76, 074006 (2007)





Measured angular dependences



 $\frac{\text{CERN NA10}}{\pi^{-} + W}$

Z. Phys. 37, 545 (1988)

Dashed curves from pQCD calculations

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v non-zero, increases with p_T



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Lam-Tung relation violated!

NA10, Z. Phys. 37, 545 (1988)



Violation of the Lam-Tung relation suggests new mechanisms with **non-perturbative** origin!





Log of light sea ratio

- Treats dbar and ubar on equal footing
- More meaningful uncertainty on last E866 data point
 - Can't imply (unphysically) negative ratio as in linear plot









Parton energy loss in cold nuclear matter





- Very little predicted shadowing—any modification should be energy loss
- Statistics-limited so far
- With 20x more statistics, will be able to distinguish
 - dE \propto A^{1/3} (or L)
 - $dE \propto A^{2/3}$ (or L^2)

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After E906/SeaQuest: Polarized target experiment E1039

- Transversely polarized frozen NH₃ target
 - Los Alamos National Lab, U. Virginia
- Dynamic nuclear polarization
 - Prototype working, already existing 5 T magnet reconfigured for transverse polarization
- Shutdown second half of 2016
 - Remove unpolarized targets
 - Beam line optics and shielding
 - Install polarized target and cryo
- Take data for 2 years, 2017-18







Probe Sivers asymmetry for sea quarks

- Completely unknown! (despite convincing some theory groups to give us calculations to include in the proposal . . .)
- Often we neglect the sea completely . . . Sometimes (like here) we focus our attention on it explicitly
- But is the time right to perform an experiment focused on TMD pdfs of sea quarks??







Longer-term future: Polarize the Main Injector beam?

- Why polarize the proton beam in the Main Injector?
 - High luminosity: higher than collider experiment because of density of liquid or solid targets, and higher than pion-induced D-Y on fixed targets because of primary rather than secondary beam
 - Long window of opportunity—high-intensity proton beam will be available at Fermilab as long as there's a neutrino program





Planned or proposed polarized Drell-Yan measurements

Experiment	Particles	Energy (GeV)	x _b or x _t	Luminosity (cm ⁻² s ⁻¹)	$A_{_{\rm T}}^{\sin\phi_3}$	P _b or P _t (f)	rFOM	Timeline
COMPASS (CERN)	π^{\pm} + p^{\uparrow}	160 GeV √s = 17	$x_{t} = 0.2 - 0.3$	2 x 10 ³³	0.14	P _t = 90% f = 0.22	1.1 x 10 ⁻³	2014, 2018
PANDA (GSI)	p + p [↑]	15 GeV √s = 5.5	$x_t = 0.2 - 0.4$	2 x 10 ³²	0.07	$P_t = 90\%$ f = 0.22	1.1 x 10 ⁻⁴	>2018
PAX (GSI)	p [↑] + p	collider √s = 14	$x_{b} = 0.1 - 0.9$	2 x 10 ³⁰	0.06	P _b = 90%	2.3 x 10 ⁻⁵	>2020?
NICA (JINR)	p [↑] + p	collider √s = 26	$x_{b} = 0.1 - 0.8$	1 x 10 ³¹	0.04	P _b = 70%	6.8 x 10 ⁻⁵	>2018
PHENIX (RHIC)	p [↑] + p	collider √s = 500	$x_{b} = 0.05 - 0.1$	2 x 10 ³²	0.06	P _b = 60%	3.6 x 10 ⁻⁴	>2018
SeaQuest (FNAL: E-906)	p + p	120 GeV √s = 15	$x_{b} = 0.35 - 0.9$ $x_{t} = 0.1 - 0.45$	3.4 x 10 ³⁵				2012 - 2015
Pol tgt DY [‡] (FNAL: E-1039)	p + p [↑]	120 GeV √s = 15	$x_t = 0.1 - 0.45$	4.0 x 10 ³⁵	0- 0.2*	P _t = 88% f = 0.176	0.13	2016
Pol beam DY [§] (FNAL: E-1027)	p [↑] + p	120 GeV √s = 15	$x_{b} = 0.35 - 0.9$	2 x 10 ³⁵	0.04	P _b = 60%	1	2018
	[*] 8 cm NH ₃ target [§] L= 1 x 10 ³⁶ cm ⁻² s ⁻¹ (LH ₂ tgt limited) / L= 2 x 10 ³⁵ cm ⁻² s ⁻¹ (10% of MI beam limited) *not constrained by SIDIS data / [#] rFOM = relative lumi * P ² *f ² wrt E-1027 (f=1 for pol p beams)							







Proposed modifications for polarized beam







dbar/ubar asymmetry in CT14





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SeaQuest projections for coefficient of cos 2\$\phi\$ modulation



Significantly reduced uncertainties expected compared to E866





Two-particle azimuthal angular correlations in p+p collisions at RHIC



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- Angular distribution of "associated" charged hadrons around a "trigger" photon or π^0
- Two-jet structure seen for pion-hadron correlations
- Away-side jet structure seen for direct photon

 hadron correlations
 - Isolation cut on near side
- Trigger particle p_T shown here ranges from 8-15 GeV/c → hard scale



Out-of-plane momentum component distributions





• Out-of-plane momentum distribution for charged hadrons in the away-side peak

Associated charged hadron p_T from 0.7-10 GeV/c

 Underlying event (hadrons not associated with jet structure) statistically subtracted

Different colors for different photon or pion p_T bins, ranging from 4-15 GeV/c

Open points for pionhadron correlations Filled points for photonhadron correlations





Out-of-plane momentum component distributions



- Clear twocomponent distribution observed
 - Gaussian around $p_{out} = 0 \rightarrow$ sensitive to nonperturbative transverse momentum
 - Power law tails → due to perturbative gluon radiation

Curves are fits, not calculations





CSS evolution predicts nonperturbative transverse momentum widths increase with Q

- Can be understood intuitively as broadening of phase space for gluon radiation
- Confirmed experimentally



Konychev + Nadolsky, PLB633, 710 (2006)





Broadening with hard scale also confirmed experimentally in SIDIS data



CAA, Field, Gamberg, Rogers, PRD89, 094002 (2014) Data from COMPASS, EPJ C73, 2531 (2013)





p+p data: Widths <u>decrease</u> as function of hard scale!



- Clear *qualitative* deviation from CSS evolution!
- CS evolution equation comes directly out of derivation of TMD factorization
- Deviation from CSS evolution implies breaking of factorization: scattering partons correlated across colliding protons





Searching for dark matter at SeaQuest

 One hypothesis, a dark photon A' that couples to Examples:



 Due to weakness of the interaction, A' travels through the SeaQuest beam dump (5m) and decays to two leptons downstream.





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Searching for dark matter at SeaQuest



- Analysis details being studied
- Trigger already contains ≈63% of possible dark photon acceptance. More can be added in exchange for background rate.





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