# **Hunting for Quarks**

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"The Periodic Table"

#### What Do We Know?



#### What Else Do We Know?

 The Universe is made of quarks and leptons and the force carriers.



- The atomic nucleus is made of protons and neutrons bound by the strong force.
- The quarks are confined inside the protons and neutrons.
- Protons and neutrons are NOT confined.

<b>FERMIONS</b> matter constituents spin = 1/2, 3/2, 5/2,						
Leptons spin = 1/2			C	Quarks spin = 1/2		
Flavor	Mass GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	Electric charge	Flav	or	Approx. Mass GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	Electric charge
$\nu_{e}$ electron neutrino	<1×10 <sup>-8</sup>	0	<b>U</b> u	p	0.003	2/3
e electron	0.000511	-1	d d	own	0.006	-1/3
$\nu_{\mu}$ muon neutrino	<0.0002	0	C cł	harm	1.3	2/3
$\mu$ muon	0.106	-1	S st	trange	0.1	-1/3
$ u_{\tau}^{ ext{ tau }}_{ ext{ neutrino }}$	<0.02	0	t to	ор	175	2/3
au tau	1.7771	-1	b b	ottom	4.3	-1/3



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#### What Don't We Know?

- We can't get QCD and the hadronic model to line up.
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- We have to find the hadronic model 'baseline' to see the transition to QCD.



#### **Experiments at Jefferson Lab**

- Jefferson Lab is a US Department of Energy national laboratory and the newest 'crown jewel' of the US.
- The centerpiece is a 7/8-mile-long, racetrack-shaped electron accelerator that produces unrivaled beams.
- The electrons do up to five laps around the Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility (CEBAF) and are then extracted and sent to one of three experimental halls.
- All three halls can run simultaneously.





#### The CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer (CLAS)

- CLAS is a 45-ton, \$50-million radiation detector.
- It covers almost all angles.
- It has about 40,000 detecting elements in about 40 layers.
- Drift chambers map the trajectory of the collision. A toroidal magnetic field bends the trajectory to measure momentum.
- Other layers measure energy, time-of-flight, and particle identification.
- Each collision is reconstructed and the intensity pattern reveals the forces and structure of the colliding particles.







#### Life on the Frontiers of Knowledge









# Measuring the Fifth Structure Function in $d(\vec{e}, e'p)n$ - Introduction

• Goal: Measure the imaginary part of the LT interference term of  $d(\vec{e}, e'p)n$  to test the hadronic model at low  $Q^2$  ( $\approx 1 \; (GeV/c)^2$ ).

 Use the out-of-plane production to extract the fifth structure function.



• Cross section:

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{d\omega d\Omega_e d\Omega_p} = \sigma^{\pm} = \sigma_L + \sigma_T + \sigma_T + \sigma_L + \sigma_$$

 $\sigma_{LT}\cos(\phi_{pq}) + \sigma_{TT}\cos(2\phi_{pq}) + h\sigma'_{LT}\sin(\phi_{pq})$ 

#### **Introduction - 2**

• Asymmetry

$$A'_{LT} = \frac{\sigma_{90}^+ - \sigma_{90}^-}{\sigma_{90}^+ + \sigma_{90}^-} \approx \frac{\sigma'_{LT}}{\sigma_L + \sigma_T} = \langle \sin \phi_{pq} \rangle_+ - \langle \sin \phi_{pq} \rangle_-$$
  
Subscripts -  $\phi_{pq}$ . Superscripts - beam helicity.

- Analyze data from the E5 run period in Hall B.
  - Recorded about 2.3 billion triggers,  $Q^2 = 0.2 5.0 (GeV/c)^2$ .
  - Dual target cell with liquid hydrogen and deuterium.

#### **Event Selection and Corrections**

For electrons: Good CC, EC, SC status		cc > 0, ec > 0, sc > 0, stat > 0		
	Energy-momentum match	$0.325p_e - 0.13 < E_{total} < 0.325p_e + 0.06$		
	Reject pions	$ec\_ei \geq 0.100$ and $nphe \geq 25$		
	EC track coordinates fi ducial	$ dc.ysc  \le 165(dc.xsc - 80)/280$		
	EC fi ducial	No tracks within $10\ cm$ of the end of a strip		
	Egiyan threshold cut	$p_e \geq (214 + 2.47 \cdot ec\_threshold) \cdot 0.001$		
	Electron fi ducial	Same method as D. Protopopescu, et al., CLAS-Note 2000-007.		
	Quasi-elastic scattering	$0.92GeV \le W \le 1.0GeV$		
	Select target	$-11.5cm < v_z < -8.0cm$		
	Momentum corrections	Pitt (CLAS-Note 2001-018) and elastic-scattering methods		
For protons:	Proton fi ducial cut	Same method as R. Nyazov and L.Weinstein, CLAS-NOTE 2001-013.		
	ep vertex cut	$ v_z(e) - v_z(proton)  \le 1.5 \ cm$		
	Momentum corrections	Pitt (CLAS-Note 2001-018) method		
For neutrons:	Missing mass cut	$0.84  GeV^2 \le MM^2 \le 0.92  GeV^2$		
Beam charge asymmetry:	2.6 GeV, reversed fi eld:	$0.9936 \pm 0.0007$		
	2.6 GeV, normal fi eld:	$0.9944 \pm 0.0007$		
	4.2 GeV, normal fi eld	$0.9987 \pm 0.0009$		
Radiative corrections:	EXCLURAD	Adding helicity dependent model		
Beam polarization:	All Runs	$0.736\pm0.017$		

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#### **Asymmetry Background Results**



# Hartmuth Arenhoevel calculations of $A'_{LT}$

- Numerical solution of the Schroedinger equation using some parameterization of the NN interaction like the Paris potential (NORMAL).
- 2. Additional components are then added to this starting point.
  - (a) Meson exchange currents (MEC).
  - (b) Isobar configurations (IC).
  - (c) Final state interactions (FSI).
- 3. Relativistic corrections (RC) are also made to the nucleon charge and current densities.
- In the figures to follow, all of the ingredients listed above are included (KNP=6).

#### **Comparison with Theory - Limiting Curves**

Hartmuth Arenhoevel calculations





### Comparison with Theory - $Q^2$ -Averaged Curves

**Hartmuth Arenhoevel calculations** 







#### Conclusions

- We observe a 4-6% dip in  $A'_{LT}$  at  $p_m \approx 220 \ MeV/c$  in the lower  $Q^2$  data sets. At higher energy, we can't draw conclusions because of the large statistical uncertainties.
- The  $\langle \sin(\phi_{pq}) \rangle$  technique works well including the subtraction of the two different beam helicities to eliminate acceptance effects.
- The background asymmetry is sensitive to the fiducial cuts for the reversed torus polarity running conditions, but not for the normal torus polarity running (within statistics).
- At low missing momentum  $p_m$ , the calculations by Arenhoevel and Laget reproduce the data, but diverge (they're too negative) above  $p_m = 250 \ MeV/c$ . The dip we observe in  $A'_{LT}$  is not well understood.
- The source of the background asymmetry is under investigation.

# W dependence of $A^{\prime}_{LT}$ at the Quasi-elastic Peak



# $MM^2$ dependence of $A^\prime_{LT}$ at the Quasi-elastic Peak





#### Fifth Structure Function Asymmetry for $d(\vec{e}, e'p)n$

- Measured  $A'_{LT}$  for the  $d(\vec{e}, e'p)n$  reaction for the E5 running period.
- See a dip in  $A_{LT}'$  at  $p_m\approx 220\;MeV/c$  in the lower  $Q^2$  data.
- Background asymmetry extracted for each set of running conditions. We see significant difference for reversed torus polarity running.
- Existing calculations from Arenhoevel and Laget diverge from the data at  $p_m > 2^{1/2}$

#### d(ể ,e'p)n (Preliminary)

