

Polarimetry for Swift Light Ions

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Compare elastic ${}^3\text{He}^\uparrow - A$ to elastic $A - {}^3\text{He}^\uparrow$ (known polarization)

The beam and target ion A can consist of proton, D, or ${}^3\text{He}$ ions

An intermittent cluster jet target may allow ToF study of recoils

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TIME REVERSED HELIUM-3 PROCESS

- Compare the elastic ${}^3\text{He}^\uparrow\text{-p}$ to elastic $\text{p-}{}^3\text{He}^\uparrow$ with known ${}^3\text{He}$ -Jet polarization
- A 42–276 GeV proton beam colliding with a ${}^3\text{He}^\uparrow$ Jet of known polarization provides calibration of ${}^3\text{He}^\uparrow\text{-p}$ scattering over the energy/3 range 42–184 GeV
- A 28–184 GeV/3 ${}^3\text{He}$ beam scattering on a ${}^3\text{He}^\uparrow$ Jet of known polarization provides calibration of ${}^3\text{He}^\uparrow\text{-}{}^3\text{He}$ collisions over full energy/3 range 28–184 GeV
- A 21–138 GeV/N D or α beam colliding with a ${}^3\text{He}^\uparrow$ Jet of known polarization provides calibration of ${}^3\text{He}^\uparrow\text{-D}(\alpha)$ scattering over energy/3 range 28–138 GeV
- George Igo and I. Tanihata, AIP Conference Proc. 675 (2003) no.1, 836-840, “Absolute calibration of the RHIC CNI polarimeters using 125-GeV/A C ions” doi:10.1063/1.1607251

TIME REVERSED DEUTERON PROCESS

- Compare elastic $D-p$ reaction to elastic $p-D^\uparrow$ with known D^\uparrow -Jet polarization
- A 42–276 GeV proton beam colliding with a D^\uparrow Jet of known polarization provides calibration of $D^\uparrow-p$ scattering over the energy/2 range of 42–138 GeV
- A 21–138 GeV/2 Deuteron beam scattering on a D^\uparrow Jet of known polarization provides calibration of $D^\uparrow-D$ collisions over full energy/2 range of 21–138 GeV
- The unpolarized Deuteron here could be replaced by a ^{12}C or α particle without altering the energy/ N ranges as the ratio Z/M remains approximately the same
- When a heavier nucleus is used as a target it should be light enough to have a recoil velocity above the threshold for detection and such that background effects are not too great. [A A Poblaguev et al, PRL 123, 162001 \(2019\)](#)

JET TARGET OF PELLETS

- A pellet target may offer a way of using time-of-flight information on the recoils to facilitate a study of beam profiles and polarization profiles P Thieberger
- A pellet of size $30\ \mu\text{m}$ moving at a velocity $70\ \text{m/s}$ across a $1\ \text{mm}$ beam will traverse the beam in $15\ \mu\text{s}$ <https://panda.gsi.de/publication/re-tdr-2012-002>
- The cluster jet group have indicated that pellets of light atoms can be generated at a frequency of (as low as) $40\ \text{kHz}$ so that they may be generated every $25\ \mu\text{s}$
- There is about $10\ \mu\text{s}$ before the next pellet arrives at the beam by which time many recoil ions will have been detected and pile-up hopefully may be controlled
- Pellets of density $10^{15}\ \text{atoms/cm}^2$ can be optically tracked to indicate the location of the source of the recoil ion as the pellet of atoms traverses the beam

CONCLUSIONS

- Absolute polarimetry for deuteron or helion beams on a nuclear target can be secured via the time reversed process of the same nuclear beam scattering on polarized D or ^3He Jet targets provided inelastic backgrounds can be controlled
 - A nucleus available as beam and target is useful for absolute polarimetry
 - The nuclei could be protons, deuterons, helions, alphas, carbon, neon . . .
 - Nuclei should be light enough to facilitate detection above the noise level
- The $^3\text{He}^\uparrow\text{-C}$ analyzing power is $\approx -70\%$ of the A_N for $p^\uparrow\text{-C}$ in the CNI region
 - A_N for vector polarized $D^\uparrow\text{-C}$ is $\approx 10\%$ of A_N for CNI $^3\text{He}^\uparrow\text{-C}$ scattering
- A cluster jet target of appropriate atoms may provide a method of measuring beam profiles and of accessing polarization profiles via studies of the recoil ions

The word “proton” (Ancient Greek $\pi\rho\tilde{\omega}\tau\omicron\nu$, neuter of $\pi\rho\tilde{\omega}\tau\omicron\varsigma$, “first”) appeared in print on September 17, 1920, and in the journal Nature on November 11, 1920.