### Accessing Target Fragmentation: Prospects and Results from CLAS12(22)

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# **Traditional SIDIS measurements**

- Decades of study have led to detailed mappings of the momentum distribution of partons in the nucleon in terms of 1-D and 3-D (TMD) parton distribution functions (PDFs).
- SIDIS measurements rely on the assumption that measured hadrons are produced in the CFR.
- Cross section factorized as a convolution of PDFs and Fragmentation Functions (FFs)<sup>1</sup>.



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### CFR Sensitive CLAS12 Measurements

 Measurements traditionally focus on factorization theorems and assumption that hadrons are produced in current fragmentation.



### The Neglected Hemisphere – Target Fragmentation

- Final state hadrons also form from the left-over target remnant (TFR) whose partonic structure is defined by "fracture functions"<sup>1,2</sup>: the probability for the target remnant to form a certain hadron given a particular ejected quark.
- In the TFR, factorization into x and z does not hold because it is not possible to separate quark emission from hadron production.



# **Potential Ambiguities**

### **Categorizing Fracture Functions**

- At leading twist fracture functions exist that can be organized into tables of quark and nucleon polarizations just like the more familiar PDFs.
- Access to *both*  $k_T$  and  $p_T$  effects gives 2 x 8 = 16 FrFs.



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### Analogs to PDFs

 A direct relationship exists to the eight leading twist PDFs after the fracture functions are integrated over the fractional longitudinal nucleon momentum.

$$z(1-x) = E_h/E = \zeta$$

$$\sum_h \int d\zeta M_a(x_B)(x_B, k_\perp^2, \zeta) = (1-x_B)f_a(x_B, k_\perp^2)$$
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# Extension to (collinear) twist-3

• Twist-3 fracture functions defined through quark-quark, quark-gluon and pure gluonic correlators.

$$\int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{-ix\lambda P^{+}} \sum_{X} \left\langle h_{A} \left| \bar{\psi}_{j}(\lambda n) \mathcal{L}_{n}^{\dagger}(\lambda n) \right| h_{B}(P_{h}), X \right\rangle \left\langle X, h_{B}(P_{h}) \left| \mathcal{L}_{n}(0) \psi_{i}(0) \right| h_{A} \right\rangle \Big|_{\text{twist}-3, U,L-\text{target}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2N_{c}P^{+}} \left[ (\gamma_{\perp} \cdot P_{h\perp})_{ij} \hat{u}_{2}^{\perp h}(x,\xi,P_{h\perp}) + (\gamma_{5}\gamma_{\perp} \cdot \tilde{P}_{h\perp})_{ij} \hat{u}_{2}^{\perp h}(x,\xi,P_{h\perp}) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{S_{L}}{2N_{c}P^{+}} \left[ (\gamma_{\perp} \cdot \tilde{P}_{h\perp})_{ij} \hat{u}_{2L}^{\perp h}(x,\xi,P_{h\perp}) + (\gamma_{5}\gamma_{\perp} \cdot P_{h\perp})_{ij} \hat{u}_{2L}^{\perp h}(x,\xi,P_{h\perp}) \right] + \cdots,$$

$$\text{KB. Chen, JB. Ma, X.B. Tong (Private correspondence) c.f. JHEP, vol 11 (2021), [hep-ph] 2108.13522}$$

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Additional contributions from quark and quark-gluon correlators with transverse momentum derivatives...

q N	U	L	T
U	$\hat{u}_1$	$\hat{l}_1^{\perp h}$	$\hat{t}_1^h, \hat{t}_1^\perp$
L	$\hat{u}_{1L}^{\perp h}$	$\hat{l}_{1L}$	$\hat{t}^h_{1L}, \hat{t}^\perp_{1L}$
T	$\hat{u}^h_{1T}, \hat{u}^\perp_{1T}$	$\hat{l}^h_{1T}, \hat{l}^\perp_{1T}$	$\hat{t}_{1T}, \hat{t}^{hh}_{1T}, \hat{t}^{\perp\perp}_{1T}, \hat{t}^{\perp h}_{1T}$

Twist-2

Already accessible with data collected at CLAS12.

q N	U	L	Т
U	$ ilde{u}_2^{\perp h}$	$\tilde{l}_2^{\perp h}$	$ ilde{t}_2, ilde{e}_2$
L	$ ilde{u}_{2L}^{\perp h}$	$ ilde{l}_{2L}^{\perp h}$	$ ilde{t}_{2L},  ilde{e}_{2L}$
T	$ ilde{u}_{2T}^{\perp\prime h}, ilde{u}_{2T}^{\perp h}$	$\tilde{l}_T, \hat{l}_{2T}^{\perp h}$	$ ilde{t}^h_{2T},  ilde{e}^h_{2T},  ilde{t}^{\perp h}_{2T},  ilde{e}^{\perp h}_{2T}$

Collinear twist-3

## **Twist-3 Observables**

$$\int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{-ix\lambda P^{+}} \sum_{X} \langle h_{A} | \bar{\psi}_{j}(\lambda n) \mathcal{L}_{n}^{\dagger}(\lambda n) | h_{B}(P_{h}), X \rangle \langle X, h_{B}(P_{h}) | \mathcal{L}_{n}(0) \psi_{i}(0) | h_{A} \rangle \Big|_{\text{twist-3, } U,L-\text{target}}$$

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$$= \frac{S_{L}}{2N_{c}} \left\{ \frac{\delta_{L}}{2N_{c}} + \frac{\delta_{L}}{2N_{c}} \left$$

In the TFR the  $sin(2\phi)$  and  $cos(2\phi)$  modulations appear at twist-4 because there are no appropriate FrFs to generate the correct tensor structure.

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## Why fracture functions?

- Sometimes possible to kinematically separate CFR and TFR (some jets, high energy DY, etc) ... but not always clear (fixed target experiments).
- Without an understanding of the signals we expect from target fragmentation we may misinterpret results that we expect are from the current.
- Studying the TFR tests our complete understanding of the SIDIS production mechanism while also providing access to information not available in the CFR.
- Access to more familiar TMD/PDFs through momentum sum rules, but with different systematics.

### Can We Separate Target and Current?





$$x_F = \frac{p_h^z}{p_h^z(\max)}$$
 in CM frame  $\mathbf{p} = -\mathbf{q}$ ,  $-1 < x_F < 1$ 

Rapidity

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{p_h^+}{p_h^-} = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{E_h + p_h^z}{E_h - p_h^z}$$

- No clear *experimental* definition of what constitutes current production versus target production.
- Structure functions, with different production mechanisms in both regions, give a possible clue.
- Protons (as opposed to mesons) at CLAS12 kinematics give a unique opportunity because they have extensive coverage in both regions.



## Separate Signals



• Sinusoidal modulations (that are probably) coming from the struck quark and the spectator partons appear with roughly equal amplitudes but opposite signs.

### Transverse Momentum Effects



## Single hadron limitations

- FrFs describing transversely polarized quarks are chiral odd and inaccessible in TFR single hadron production where there is no access to a chiral odd FF.
- Functions with double superscripts containing h and ⊥ have give the unique possibility of measuring longitudinal polarized quarks in unpolarized nucleons (and vice versa) but disappear after integration over either momentum.



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## Back-to-back (dSIDIS) Formalism

- When two hadrons are produced "back-to-back"<sup>1,2</sup> with one in the CFR and one in the TFR the structure function contains a convolution of a fracture function and a fragmentation function.
- Leading twist beam(target)-spin asymmetry.

#### Unique access to longitudinally polarized quarks in unpolarized nucleon... no corresponding PDF!



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### Access to unmeasured fracture functions

- x-dependence increases in magnitude in the valance quark region.
- $\zeta_2$ -dependence shows decreasing amplitude with increasing momenta. Possibly due to correlations with x.
- Relatively flat as a function of z<sub>1</sub>, possibly due to cancellation of fragmentation functions.
- First observation of TMD fracture functions and long-range correlations between current and target. Already working on follow up (negative pion, deuteron target, more statistics etc.)



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$$\frac{d\sigma}{dxdyd\zeta dP_T^2} = 2\pi\hat{\sigma}_U \sum_q e_q^2 \left[ F_{UU,T} + \lambda S_L \sqrt{1 - \varepsilon^2} F_{LL} \right]$$

$$\text{At leading twist for the case of a longitudinally polarized target and a single hadron produced in the TFR, only two terms appear: F_{LL} \propto \tilde{u}_1(x, \zeta, P_T^2) = \int d^2k_T \hat{u}_1 \int d$$

## Motivations for JLAB22

- 1) Identify "flagship" measurements that can only be done with 22 GeV
- 2) Identify measurements at 22 GeV that can extend and improve upon those done at 12 GeV
- 3) Identify measurements that can help bridge the gap between JLab12 and EIC

## Mapping the Q<sup>2</sup> dependence



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Only about 1/3(1/6) of statistics collected(approved) on H<sub>2</sub> with CLAS12!

## Q<sup>2</sup> Extension at JLab22



- Studies of the evolution of asymmetries will be critical for validating QCD predictions.
- Further range while maintaining the cutting edge luminosity of CLAS will be crucial for pinning down the Q<sup>2</sup> dependence of observables.

## Kinematic Suppression at EIC



### EIC suppression... JLab22 Enhancement



In addition to  $\varepsilon$ -dependent suppression, many of these observables are most enhanced in the high-x valence quark region.





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## Conclusions

- Studies of the transverse momentum dependence of partons by analyzing target fragmentation is just beginning.
- Variety of measurements with access to leading and subleading-twist observables already available with CLAS12.
- JLab22 would present a significant opportunity to extend coverage to different kinematics, most critically higher Q<sup>2</sup>, while maintaining CLAS12 luminosity.
- Many TMD measurements at EIC are heavily suppressed and even the ones that aren't suffer from decreased luminosity.

Thank you!



## Back up

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## CLAS12 (Hall B) Physics Program



- International collaboration with more than 40 member institutions and 200 full members.
- CLAS(12) is the world's only large acceptance and high luminosity spectrometer for fixed target lepton scattering experiments.



- 1. Study of the nucleon resonance structure at photon virtualities from 2.0 to 12 GeV<sup>2</sup>
- 2. Study of Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs), (2 +1) D imaging of the proton and the study of its gravitational and mechanical structure.
- 3. Study of the Transverse Momentum Dependence (TMDs) and the of 3D structure in momentum space.
- 4. Study of J/ψ Photoproduction, LHCb Pentaquarks and Timelike Compton Scattering.
- 5. Study of meson spectroscopy in search of hybrid mesons
- 6. Much more!



## **CLAS12** Spectrometer





V. Burkert et al., Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 959 (2020) 163419

- CLAS12: very high luminosity, wide acceptance, low Q<sup>2</sup>
- Began data taking in Spring 2018 many "run periods" now available.
- 10.6 GeV electron beam, longitudinally polarized beam

# Particle ID

#### • Electron

- Electromagnetic calorimeter.
- Cherenkov detector.
- Vertex and fiducial cuts.



#### Hadron

- β vs p comparison between vertex timing and event start time.
- Vertex and fiducial cuts..



### Monte Carlo

- SIDIS MC "clasdis"<sup>1</sup> based on PEPSI<sup>2</sup> generator, the polarized version of the well-known LEPTO<sup>3</sup> generator.
- Parameters changed to reproduce observed distributions include average transverse momentum, fraction of spin-1 light mesons and fraction of spin-1 strange mesons.
- CLAS12 detector system described in "GEMC<sup>\*4,</sup> a detailed GEANT4 simulation package.
- Excellent agreement between data and MC!





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## $z? z_h?? \zeta??? TFR Hadronic Variables$

- Traditional CFR SIDIS measurements describe the hadronic variables in terms of transverse momenta and the ratio of hadronic energy to virtual photon energy,  $z_h = P \cdot P_h / P \cdot q$
- In the  $\gamma^*N$  center-of-mass  $z_h$  does not discriminate between soft hadron emission  $(E_h = 0)$  and collinear target fragmentation  $(\theta_h = 0)$ ,

$$z_h = \frac{E_h}{E(1-x_B)} \frac{(1-\cos\theta_h)}{2}$$

- Define a new variable,  $z = E_h/E(1-x)$ , which is 0 only in the case of soft hadron emission. Hadron momentum becomes  $z(1-x) = E_h/E = \zeta$ .
- Cross section parameterized in terms of *ζ*:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}x_B\,\mathrm{d}y\,\mathrm{d}\zeta\,\,\mathrm{d}^2\boldsymbol{P}_{h\perp}\,\mathrm{d}\phi_S} = \frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{em}}^2}{4\,Q^4}\,\frac{y}{\zeta}\,L_{\mu\nu}W^{\mu\nu}$$

M. Anselmino et al., Phys. Lett. B. 699 (2011), 108-118, [hep-ph] 1102.4214



### Accessing longitudinal polarization

 TFR studies provide unique access to longitudinally polarized quarks in unpolarized nucleons and unpolarized quarks in longitudinally polarized nucleons.



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### Selecting back-to-back events

A natural choice for a first analysis are events with a pion (CFR biased) and proton (TFR biased).



$$x_F = \frac{2p \cdot q}{|q|W}$$
$$Y = \frac{1}{2} \log \left[\frac{E_h + p_z}{E_h - p_z}\right]$$

Early signs of separate signatures in both interaction regions. Need more statistics.

## **Removing background**



Exclusive pion ٠ and rho production clearly visible.



Different amplitudes at low M<sub>x</sub> are generated from separate physics than our signal.



- Little sign of  $\Delta s$ ; cut on mass > 1.5 GeV for safety.
- Estimate remaining contribution from MC.

### **Initial Observation**

- Observed linear dependence on the product of transverse momenta is consistent with expectations (linear, goes to zero at zero transverse momenta, etc.)
- Non-zero asymmetries are the first experimental observation of possible spin-orbit correlations between hadrons produced simultaneously in the CFR and TFR.





$$\mathcal{A}_{LU} = -\sqrt{1 - \epsilon^2} \frac{|\vec{P}_{T1}||\vec{P}_{T2}|}{m_N m_2} \frac{\mathcal{C}[w_5 \, \hat{l}_1^{\perp h} D_1]}{\mathcal{C}[\hat{u}_1 D_1]} \sin \Delta \phi$$

Divide out the kinematic factors for clearer description of fracture and fragmentation function dependence...



The ratios of SFs (to  $F_{UU}$ ) are not decreasing with Q!!!

The HT observables, don't look much like HT observables, something missing in understanding Understanding of these behavior can be a key to understanding of other inconsistencies



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### Phase Space



Higher W and  $M_x$ , less radiative effects from exclusive processes?



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