

Uncertainty on g_2 due to target spin misalignment

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This document is trying to calculate the uncertainty of g_2 caused by the angle deflection of the target polarization with respect to the beam direction.

For the polarized cross-section, the difference of it can be written as[1]:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\sigma_{\parallel} &= -\frac{4\alpha^2 E'}{\nu EQ^2}[(E + E' \cos\theta)g_1 - 2Mxg_2] \\ \Delta\sigma_{\perp} &= -\frac{4\alpha^2 E'^2}{\nu EQ^2}(g_1 + \frac{2ME}{\nu}g_2)\end{aligned}\quad (1)$$

(1) can be recast as:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\sigma_{\parallel} &= K_1(a_1g_1 + a_2g_2) \\ \Delta\sigma_{\perp} &= K_2(g_1 + b_2g_2)\end{aligned}\quad (2)$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned}K_1 &= -\frac{4\alpha^2 E'}{\nu EQ^2} \\ K_2 &= E'K_1 \\ a_1 &= E + E' \cos\theta \\ a_2 &= -2Mx \\ b_2 &= \frac{2ME}{\nu}\end{aligned}$$

From (2) the g_2 can be shown as:

$$g_2 = \frac{1}{K_2 b_2}[\Delta\sigma_{\perp} - K_2 g_1]\quad (3)$$

Since we assume that there has a small angle deflection $\Delta\alpha$, the relationship between $\Delta\sigma_{\perp}$ and $\Delta\sigma$ will be:

$$\Delta\sigma_{\perp} - \Delta\sigma = (\sigma^{\uparrow\rightarrow} - \sigma^{\rightarrow\uparrow}) - (\sigma^{\downarrow\rightarrow} - \sigma^{\rightarrow\downarrow}) \quad (4)$$

Since we assume that

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^{\rightarrow\uparrow} &= \sigma^{\uparrow\rightarrow} \cos\Delta\alpha + \sigma^{\rightarrow\rightarrow} \sin\Delta\alpha \\ \sigma^{\rightarrow\downarrow} &= \sigma^{\downarrow\rightarrow} \cos\Delta\alpha + \sigma^{\rightarrow\leftarrow} \sin\Delta\alpha \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta g_2 &= \frac{1}{K_2 b_2} [(1 - \cos\Delta\alpha)\Delta\sigma_{\perp} - \sin\Delta\alpha\Delta\sigma_{\parallel}] \\ &= \frac{1}{K_2 b_2} \left(\frac{\Delta\alpha^2}{2} \Delta\sigma_{\perp} - \Delta\alpha\Delta\sigma_{\parallel} \right) \\ &\approx -\frac{1}{K_2 b_2} \Delta\alpha\Delta\sigma_{\parallel} \\ &= -\frac{K_1}{K_2 b_2} (a_1 g_1 + a_2 g_2) \Delta\alpha \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

for small $\Delta\alpha\Delta\sigma_{\perp}$.

(6) \implies

$$\frac{(dg_2)}{d\alpha} = -\frac{K_1}{K_2 b_2} \left(a_1 \frac{g_1}{g_2} + a_2 \right) \quad (7)$$

In the virtual photon notation, the g_1 and g_2 have the relationship as[1]:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{TT} &= \frac{4\pi^2\alpha}{MK} (g_1 - \gamma^2 g_2) \\ \sigma_{LT} &= \frac{4\pi^2\alpha}{MK} \gamma (g_1 + g_2) \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

where $K = \nu(1-x)$, $\gamma = \frac{2Mx}{Q} = \frac{Q}{\nu}$.

(8) \implies

$$\begin{aligned} g_1 &= \frac{MK}{4\pi^2\alpha(1+\gamma^2)} (\sigma_{TT} + \gamma\sigma_{LT}) \\ g_2 &= \frac{MK}{4\pi^2\alpha(1+\gamma^2)\gamma} (\sigma_{LT} - \gamma\sigma_{TT}) \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

References

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