

Spin Filtering of Stored (Anti)Protons: from FILTEX to COSY to AD to FAIR

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Outline:

- Tons of top class QCD: **Transversity from Drell-Yan with polarized antiprotons makes FAIR a unique successor of DIS physics**
- **Spin filtering in storage ring: a unique way of polarizing intense beam of antiprotons to high degree of polarization**
- H.O. Meyer's problem: **Spin filtering & scattering within the ring acceptance angle (SWRA)**
- Understanding the FILTEX experiment at TSR (23 MeV)
- **Why the spin-filtering on polarized electrons cancels out?**
- Implications for spin-filtering of antiprotons in **PAX FAIR**
- Longitudinal vs. transverse filtering
- Deuterium vs. hydrogen polarized internal target?

The transmission and scattering

- Optical filtering: with rare exceptions one only deals with the transmitted light.
- Transmission: Polarized target is an optically active medium with the polarization dependent refraction index

$$n = 1 + \frac{2\pi}{p^2} N \hat{f}(o)$$

- Unique feature of storage rings: a mixing of the transmitted and scattered beam
- FILTEX ring acceptance $\theta_{acc} = 4.4 \text{ mrad}$.
- Light electrons do not deflect heavy protons (Horowitz & Meyer):
 $\theta \leq \theta_e = m_e/m_p$
- Scattering within the ring acceptance angle (SWRA) does not absorb the beam:
- intensity-wise SWRA is entirely invisible
- Central issue: is SWRA invisible also polarization-wise?

The In-Medium Evolution of Transmitted Beam

- Time = distance z traversed in the medium.

$$\text{Fermi Hamiltonian} = \hat{H} = \frac{1}{2} N \hat{F}(0) = \frac{1}{2} N [\hat{R}(0) + i \hat{\sigma}_{tot}]$$

N = density of atoms in the target.

- The density matrix of the stored beam

$$\hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2} [I_0(\mathbf{p}) + \sigma s(\mathbf{p})]$$

- Textbook **quantum-mechanical** evolution for pure transmission ($\theta_{acc} \rightarrow 0$)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dz} \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) = i \left(\hat{H} \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) - \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) \hat{H}^\dagger \right) &= \underbrace{i \frac{1}{2} N \left(\hat{R} \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) - \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) \hat{R} \right)}_{\text{Real potential=Pure refraction}} \\ &- \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} N \left(\hat{\sigma}_{tot} \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) + \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) \hat{\sigma}_{tot} \right)}_{\text{(Imaginary potential=Pure attenuation)}} \end{aligned}$$

Evolution of Transmitted Beam Cont'd

- Spin dependence:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{tot} = \sigma_0 + \underbrace{\sigma_1(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{Q}) + \sigma_2(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{k})(\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{k})}_{\text{spin-sensitive transmission loss}},$$
$$\hat{R} = R_0 + \underbrace{R_1(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{Q}) + R_2(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{k})(\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{k})}_{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \text{Pseudomagnetic field}}$$

k = beam axis, Q = target polarization.

- Evolution of the beam polarization $P = s/l_0$

$$dP/dz = \underbrace{-N\sigma_1(Q - (P \cdot Q)P) - N\sigma_2(Qk)(k - (P \cdot k)P)}_{\text{Polarization buildup by spin-sensitive transmission}}$$
$$+ \underbrace{NR_1(P \times Q) + nR_2(Qk)(P \times k)}_{\text{Spin precession in pseudomagnetic field}}$$

- Average out the precession: equivalence of the quantum evolution eqn. to the kinetic eqn. for spin population numbers.

The polarization buildup

- Coupled evolution equations for pure transmission

$$\frac{d}{dz} \begin{pmatrix} I_0 \\ s \end{pmatrix} = -N \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_0(> \theta_{\min}) & Q\sigma_1(> \theta_{\min}) \\ Q\sigma_1(> \theta_{\min}) & \sigma_0(> \theta_{\text{acc}}) \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I_0 \\ s \end{pmatrix},$$

- Solutions

$$\propto \exp(-\lambda_{1,2} Nz)$$

with eigenvalues

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \sigma_0 \pm Q\sigma_1$$

- Reduction to Meyer's equation for pure transverse polarizations:

$$\frac{dP}{dz} = -N\sigma_1 Q(1 - P^2)$$

$$P(z) = -\tanh(Q\sigma_1 Nz)$$

- Any spin-dependent loss filters spin of the stored beam, 100 % limiting polarization

FILTEX: SWRA according to Meyer-Horowitz

- FILTEX at 23 MeV TSR (1993): proof of the principle with transverse polarization:
 $\sigma_P = 63 \pm 3(stat.)mb$
- Pure transmission by pure nuclear scattering: $\sigma_{P,expected}(SAID) = 122 mb$.
- H.O. Meyer: only scattering beyond θ_{acc} must be included. Correct for CNI, Meyer's reevaluation $\sigma_1(CNI; > \theta_{acc}) = 83 mb$ vs. 122 mb
- EM tensor and hyperfine int's: electron-to-proton polarization transfer. Scattered electrons bring 100 per cent of their polarization back into the stored beam:
 $\delta\sigma_1^{ep} = -70 mb$
- Add polarization of protons from SWRA : $\delta\sigma_1^{pp} = +52 mb$
- Net result:
 $\sigma_P = \sigma_1(CNI; > \theta_{acc}) + \delta\sigma_1^{pp} + \delta\sigma_1^{ep} = 135 mb + \delta\sigma_1^{ep} = 65 mb$.
- Good but accidental agreement with FILTEX: double counting of SWRA.
- Better understanding of target density & polarization (F.Rathmann, PhD):
 $\sigma_P = 72.5 \pm 5.8(stat. + sys.) (stat.)$

SWRA and Spin Filtering

- Quasielastic (E) $p + atom \rightarrow p'_{scatt} + e + p_{recoil}$, $q =$ momentum transfer:

$$\frac{d\hat{\sigma}_E}{d^2q} = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \hat{\mathcal{F}}(q) \hat{\rho} \hat{\mathcal{F}}^\dagger(q) = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \hat{\mathcal{F}}_e(q) \hat{\rho} \hat{\mathcal{F}}_e^\dagger(q) + \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \hat{\mathcal{F}}_p(q) \hat{\rho} \hat{\mathcal{F}}_p^\dagger(q)$$

- Unitarity of recovery of lost beam from SWRA: $\theta \leq \theta_{acc}$
- SWRA from multiple-scattering theory:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dz} \hat{\rho} = i[\hat{H}, \hat{\rho}] &= \underbrace{i \frac{1}{2} N \left(\hat{R} \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) - \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) \hat{R} \right)}_{\text{Ignore this precession}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} N \left(\hat{\sigma}_{tot} \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) + \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) \hat{\sigma}_{tot} \right)}_{\text{Transmission}} \\ &+ \underbrace{N \int^{\Omega_{acc}} \frac{d^2q}{(4\pi)^2} \hat{\mathcal{F}}(q) \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}) \hat{\mathcal{F}}^\dagger(q)}_{\text{Recovery from SWRA}} \end{aligned}$$

Pure SWRA off Atomic Electrons: $\theta_e \ll \theta_{acc}$

- Breit pe interaction (1929): Coulomb + hyperfine + tensor + negligible spin-orbit

$$U(\mathbf{q}) = \alpha_{em} \left\{ \frac{1}{q^2} + \mu_p \frac{(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_p \mathbf{q})(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_e \mathbf{q}) - (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_p \boldsymbol{\sigma}_e) q^2}{4m_p m_e q^2} \right\}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{tot}^e = \underbrace{\sigma_0^e}_{Coulomb} + \underbrace{\sigma_1^e(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_p \cdot \mathbf{Q}_e) + \sigma_2^e(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_p \cdot \mathbf{k})(\mathbf{Q}_e \cdot \mathbf{k})}_{Coulomb \times (Hyperfine + Tensor)}$$

- Polarization of scattered protons P_f (transverse case):

$$\sigma_0^e P_f = \sigma_0^e P + \sigma_1^e Q_e$$

- clearcut electron-to-proton spin transfer (Akhiezer,...,Horowitz-Meyer): used at MAMI/Bates/Jlab for precision measurements of G_E/G_M
- negligible spin-flip from proton spin-orbit int. (Milstein-Strakhovenko)
- Don't confuse the spin transfer (spin exchange) with the spin-flip

Skrinsky: do electrons polarize (anti)protons?

- Electron contribution to the transmission losses

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dz} I_0(\mathbf{p})(1 + \sigma \cdot \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{p})) = -\frac{1}{2} N I_0(\mathbf{p}) \left[\underbrace{\sigma_0^e + \sigma_1^e \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{Q}_e}_{\text{particle number loss}} + \sigma \underbrace{(\sigma_0^e \mathbf{P} + \sigma_1^e \mathbf{Q}_e)}_{\text{selective spin loss}} \right]$$

- What is recovered from scattering within the ring acceptance :

$$\begin{aligned} & N \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{q}}{(4\pi)^2} \hat{\mathcal{F}}_e(\mathbf{q}) \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}) \hat{\mathcal{F}}_e^\dagger(\mathbf{q}) \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} N I_0(\mathbf{p}) [\sigma_0^e + \sigma_1^e (\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{Q})]}_{\text{Particles recovered from SWRA}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} N I_0(\mathbf{p}) \sigma [\sigma_0^e \mathbf{P} + \sigma_1^e \mathbf{Q}_e]}_{\text{Spin recovered from SWRA}} \end{aligned}$$

- Transmission losses are exactly canceled by scattering within the ring acceptance.
- Polarization-wise atomic electrons are invisible

Nuclear pp Scattering within the Ring Acceptance

- Decompose pure transmission losses (transverse polarization)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dz} \hat{\rho} = & \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2} N \left(\hat{\sigma}_{tot}(> \theta_{acc}) \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) + \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p}) \hat{\sigma}_{tot}(> \theta_{acc}) \right)}_{\text{Unrecoverable transmission loss}} \\ & - \frac{1}{2} N I_0(\mathbf{p}) \left[\underbrace{\sigma_0^{el}(< \theta_{acc}) + \sigma_1^{el}(< \theta_{acc}) P Q}_{\text{Potentially recoverable particle loss}} + \underbrace{\sigma \left(\sigma_0^{el}(< \theta_{acc}) P + \sigma_1^{el}(< \theta_{acc}) Q \right)}_{\text{Potentially recoverable spin loss}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

- Feedback from SWRA (angular divergence of the beam at target $\ll \theta_{acc}$: integrate over p)

$$\int d^2 \mathbf{p} \int^{\Omega_{acc}} \frac{d^2 \mathbf{q}}{(4\pi)^2} \hat{\mathcal{F}}(\mathbf{q}) \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}) \hat{\mathcal{F}}^\dagger(\mathbf{q}) = \hat{\sigma}^E(\leq \theta_{acc}) \cdot \int d^2 \mathbf{p} I_0(\mathbf{p})$$

- The **mismatch** of transmission loss and feedback from SWRA

$$\Delta \hat{\sigma} = \frac{1}{4} \left(\hat{\sigma}_{el}(< \theta_{acc}) (1 + \sigma P) + (1 + \sigma P) \hat{\sigma}_{el}(< \theta_{acc}) \right) - \hat{\sigma}^E(\leq \theta_{acc})$$

What SWRA Does to Polarization

$$\underbrace{\hat{\sigma}^E(\leq \theta_{\text{acc}})}_{\text{SWRA}} = \underbrace{\sigma_0^{el}(\leq \theta_{\text{acc}}) + \sigma_1^{el}(\leq \theta_{\text{acc}})(P \cdot Q)}_{\text{Feedback of particles from SWRA}} + \underbrace{\sigma \cdot \left(\sigma_0^E(\leq \theta_{\text{acc}})P + \sigma_1^E(\leq \theta_{\text{acc}})Q \right)}_{\text{Feedback of spin from SWRA}}$$

The **mismatch X-section** operator is a beam proton spin-flip:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta \hat{\sigma} &= \underbrace{\sigma_0^{el}(< \theta_{\text{acc}}) + \sigma_1^{el}(< \theta_{\text{acc}})PQ_e}_{\text{Potentially recoverable particle loss}} + \underbrace{\sigma \left(\sigma_0^{el}(< \theta_{\text{acc}})P + \sigma_1^{el}(< \theta_{\text{acc}})Q_e \right)}_{\text{Potentially recoverable spin loss}} \\
 &- \underbrace{\sigma_0^{el}(\leq \theta_{\text{acc}}) + \sigma_1^{el}(\leq \theta_{\text{acc}})(P \cdot Q)}_{\text{Particles from SWRA}} - \underbrace{\sigma \cdot \left(\sigma_0^E(\leq \theta_{\text{acc}})P + \sigma_1^E(\leq \theta_{\text{acc}})Q \right)}_{\text{Spin from SWRA}} \\
 &= \sigma \left(\Delta \sigma_0 P + \Delta \sigma_1 Q \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Mismatch cont'd

- $\Delta\sigma_{0,1}$: a mismatch between the spin of the beam taken away by the scattered particle and put back by after the SWRA (=spin-flip)

$$\sigma_1^{el}(> \theta_{acc}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\theta_{acc}} d\Omega \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right) (A_{00nn} + A_{00ss})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\sigma_0 &= [\sigma_0^{el}(\leq \theta_{acc}) - \sigma_0^E(\leq \theta_{acc})] \\ &= \int_{\theta_{min}}^{\theta_{acc}} d\Omega \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} D_{n0n0} - \frac{1}{2} D_{s'0s0} \cos(\theta_{lab}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\sigma_1 &= \sigma_1^{el}(\leq \theta_{acc}) - \sigma_1^E(\leq \theta_{acc}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\theta_{min}}^{\theta_{acc}} d\Omega \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \left(A_{00nn} + A_{00ss} - K_{n00n} - K_{s'00s} \cos(\theta_{lab}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

- The SAID menagerie:

$$A_{00nn} = A_{yy}, A_{00ss} = A_{xx}, K_{n00n} = D_t, D_{s'0s0} = R, D_{n0n0} = D, K_{s'00s} = -R'_t.$$

- $\Delta\sigma_0$ = spin-flip on unpolarized target, $\Delta\sigma_1$ = spin-flip on polarized target,
 $|\Delta\sigma_1| \leq |\Delta\sigma_0|$

Polarization Buildup

- Coupled evolution equations after into-the-beam scattering

$$\frac{d}{dz} \begin{pmatrix} I_0 \\ s \end{pmatrix} = -N \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_0(> \theta_{\text{acc}}) & Q\sigma_1(> \theta_{\text{acc}}) \\ Q(\sigma_1(> \theta_{\text{acc}}) + \Delta\sigma_1) & \sigma_0(> \theta_{\text{acc}}) + \Delta\sigma_0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I_0 \\ s \end{pmatrix},$$

- Solutions $\propto \exp(-\lambda_{1,2} Nz)$ with eigenvalues

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \sigma_0 + \frac{1}{2}\Delta\sigma_0 \pm Q\sigma_3, \quad Q\sigma_3 = \sqrt{Q^2\sigma_1(\sigma_1 + \Delta\sigma_1) + \frac{1}{4}\Delta\sigma_0^2},$$

- The polarization buildup (also Milstein&Strakhovenko)

$$P(z) = -\frac{Q(\sigma_1 + \Delta\sigma_1) \tanh(Q\sigma_3 Nz)}{Q\sigma_3 + 0.5\Delta\sigma_0 \tanh(Q\sigma_3 Nz)}$$

- The effective small-time polarization cross section

$$\sigma_P \approx -Q(\sigma_1 + \Delta\sigma_1) = 85.6 \text{ mb} \quad \text{vs. } M - H \quad \sigma_P \approx -Q(\sigma_1 + \delta\sigma_1^{ep+pp})$$

$$\Delta\sigma_1 = -6 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ mb}$$

Pure electron target

- Pure SWRA: $\sigma_0(> \theta_{\text{acc}}) = 0$, $\sigma_1(> \theta_{\text{acc}}) = 0$, $Q\sigma_3 = \Delta\sigma_0$.
- Evolution of the spin-density matrix:

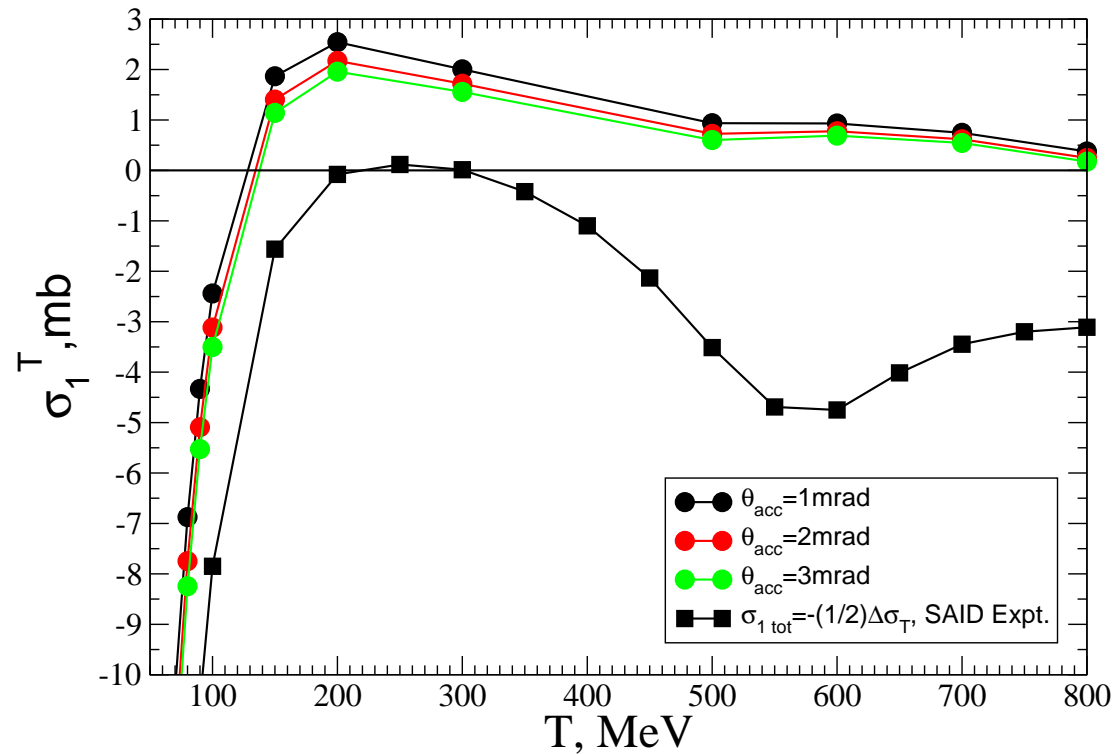
$$\frac{d}{dz} \begin{pmatrix} I_0 \\ s \end{pmatrix} = -N \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ Q\sigma_1(> \theta_{\text{acc}}) & \Delta\sigma_0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I_0 \\ s \end{pmatrix},$$

- The number of stored particles is conserved: $I_0(z) = I_0(0)$
- Evolution of the polarization:

$$P(z) = P(0) \exp(-N\Delta\sigma_0 z) + Q \frac{\Delta\sigma_1}{\Delta\sigma_0} \left\{ 1 - \exp(-N\Delta\sigma_0 z) \right\}$$

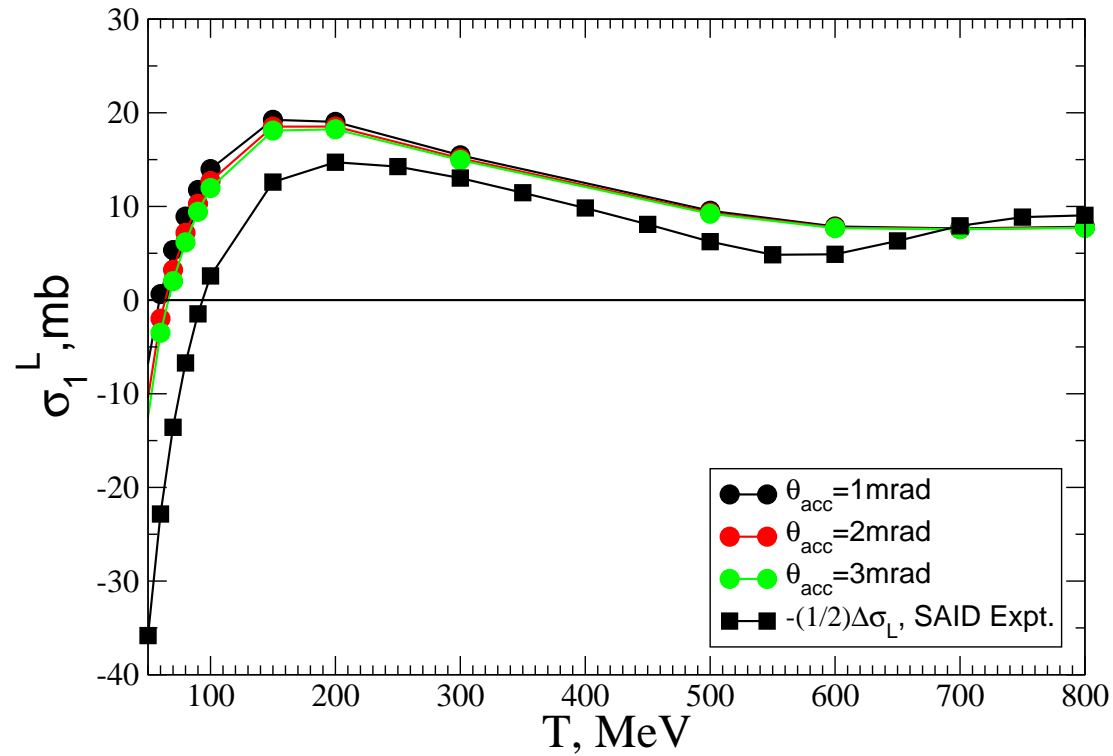
- Depolarization of stored protons in unpolarized ^4He : $\Delta\sigma_0$ and $|\Delta\sigma_1| \leq |\Delta\sigma_0|$.
- **Depolarization proof that $\Delta\sigma_0 \ll \sigma_1(> \theta_{\text{acc}})$**
- Pure hadronic mechanism: $\Delta\sigma_0 \lesssim \sigma_{\text{tot}} \theta_{\text{acc}}^2 \lesssim 10^{-4} \sigma_{\text{tot}}$.

COSY: energy dependence of transverse filtering



Two strong CNI effects:
Substantial departure from pure nuclear $\Delta\sigma_T$.
Sensitivity to acceptance angle.

COSY: longitudinal filtering



Strong CNI effect at low energy, much weaker at high energy

Conclusions: what is the future for PAX?

- FILTEX: an important proof of the principle of spin filtering.
- A consensus between theorists (Budker Institute & IKP FZJ): Polarized electrons in polarized atoms wouldn't polarize antiprotons in storage rings.
- Still slight disagreement between experiment $\sigma_p = 72.5 \pm 5.8(\text{stat.} + \text{sys.})$ (FILTEX) and theory, $\sigma_p = 85.6 \text{ mb}$ (Meyer & Budker Institute & IKP FZJ).
- Solution for PAX: spin filtering by nuclear antiproton-proton interaction. Must be optimized with existing antiprotons.
- $N\bar{N}$ models are encouraging, but unreliable.
- Meyer-Horowitz vs. Budker-Juelich: go longitudinal & transverse with both hydrogen and deuterium. The distinct energy dependence will be a solid proof of the pure hadronic mechanism.