# Simulation Studies for the KOALA Experiment

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### Luminosity Determination

- Largest uncertainty from model function of the differential cross section
- Coulomb part calculated from QED
- Hadronic part parametrized with σ<sub>tot</sub>, ρ and b
- Data missing for PANDA energy range
- KOALA will measure over a large range of momentum transfer t to determine the cross section parameters precisely



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# KOALA

- @COSY
- P<sub>beam</sub>=(1.5-3.2) GeV/c
- pp elastic scattering

- @HESR
- P<sub>beam</sub>=(1.5-15) GeV/c
- $\overline{p}p$  elastic scattering



# KOALA



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- Forward scattered proton measurement by Lumi prototype
- Backwards scattered proton measurement by KOALA

# Prototype of Luminosity Detector

MC model

• One sensors module per plane with 4 sensors each

 Distance from IP: 401 cm at COSY

• No magnetic field



# **KOALA** Detector

- 90° angle to the beam direction
- One layer of two germanium and two silicon strip detectors
- Distance from beam-axis: 101 cm at COSY
- Covers recoil angles between 0° and 19°
- Energy measurement by completely stopping recoil particles



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#### Simulation Studies for the KOALA Experiment

#### Event reconstruction

#### KOALA:

 Hit in strip defines z-coordinate

#### Lumi:

- Hit reconstruction in center of pixel
- Tracks out of 4 hit combinations with one hit per plane
- Backpropagation to the IP
- ightarrow Straight line extrapolation

KoalaSoft package



#### Reconstruction efficiency



## Finding coincidence

- Requires a reconstructed track from the Lumi prototype and a hit in the KOALA detector
- No criteria for the time frame of an event set only one event is expected per time frame



Coincidences in the Lumi prototype and the KOALA detector for elastic pp events @3.2 GeV/c

## Reconstruction Efficiency

#### Generated information



### IP determination

- IP position effects luminosity determination
- IP determination by backpropagation of Lumi tracks to the POCA to position (0,0,0) is insufficient
- Lumi track defines a line, on which the IP is located
- Combination of KOALA hit position and opening angle  $\psi$  between the two particles defines IP on that line



## IP determination - Results

Generated IP (0, 0, -0.6)



- Good agreement
- Wide distribution in Z as expected
- Checking of this method in realistic conditions e.g. with beam tilts still ongoing

### Background analysis - pp events

Coincidences for  $10^8$  inelastic and  $10^6$  elastic pp events @ 3.2 GeV/c



- No overlap with areas of coincidences of elastic scattering
- Coincidences close at region of interest:  $pp \rightarrow pp \pi^+ \pi^-$

### Background analysis - pp events

Coincidences for  $10^6 \text{ pp} 
ightarrow \text{pp} \pi^+ \pi^-$  events @ 3.2 GeV/c



- Only two coincidences found outside the area of elastic events
- Background contribution is very low

# LumiFit

Standard software for luminosity determination

- Input
- Reconstructed tracks with coincidence condition
- Efficiency distribution (2D)
- Resolution distribution (2D)

Target and Beam properties

- Output
- Determination of the luminosity by fit of the model elastic cross section to data

# LumiFit

Fit results for reconstructed angular distributions



KoalaSoft @3.2 GeV/c

PandaRoot @15 GeV/c

- Results are similar
- Smear stems from larger resolution from multiple scattered events at lower momenta

# Summary & Outlook

- Reconstruction of coincidences
- High efficiency for coincidences in overlapping areas
- Background contributions very low

Next steps:

- Testing viability of the IP determination method
- Updating KoalaSoft to be compatible with LumiFit
- Change LumiFit to extract the model parameters of the elastic cross section instead of the luminosity