Recent measurement of tensor analyzing power in deuteron photodisintegration.

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The deuteron two-body photodisintegration was a subject of intensive experimental and theoretical research for a long time. However a tensor analyzing power was measured only in two experiments at VEPP-2 and VEPP-3 storage rings in Novosibirsk [1]. Here we report the experiment performed at the 2 GeV electron storage ring VEPP-3, where new polarized deuterium gas target [2] was used. Measurements of target asymmetry were performed with three directions of the deuteron polarization axis, that provides a possibility to calculate all three tensor analyzing power components $(T_{20}, T_{21} \text{ and } T_{22})$.

During deuteron disintegration the electrons scattered forward, i.e. at an angle $\vartheta_e \approx 0^\circ$, they were not detected. Large-acceptance non-magnetic particle detector registered protons and neutrons in coincidence. The proton arm accepted the angular range $\theta_p \approx 15^\circ - 100^\circ$ and $\Delta\phi_p \approx 40^\circ$. The positions of the neutron arm were conjugate to the proton one. The energy range was $E_{\gamma} = 40 - 500$ MeV.

Preliminary analysis shows that new data should provide much higher statistical accuracy and smaller systematic uncertainties for tensor analyzing power than in previous experiments.

Preliminary results will be presented.

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