The Generalized Parton Distributions program with CLAS and CLAS12







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The Generalized Parton Distributions program with CLAS and CLAS12

• Interest of GPDs

GPDs and Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering

• The CLAS detector

• DVCS results with CLAS

GPDs and Deeply Virtual Meson Production

• **DVMP results with CLAS**

The JLab 12 GeV upgrade and CLAS12

• Future experiments on GPDs with CLAS12



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Electron scattering to unveil nucleon structure





Parton distributions: longitudinal quark distribution in momentum space



Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering and GPDs



•
$$Q^2 = - (e - e')^2$$

• $x_B = Q^2/2M\nu \quad \nu = E_e - E_e$

x+ξ, x-ξ longitudinal momentum fractions
t = (p-p')²
ξ ≃ x_B/(2-x_B)

At LO, LT, chiral-even, quark sector \rightarrow 4 GPDs for each quark flavor

conserve nucleon helicity

Vector: $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, t)$ Axial-Vector: $\mathbf{\tilde{H}}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, t)$ Tensor: $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, t)$ Pseudoscalar: $\mathbf{\tilde{E}}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, t)$

flip nucleon helicity

Quark angular momentum (Ji's sum rule)

$$J^{q} = \frac{1}{2} - J^{G} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} x dx \left[H^{q}(x,\xi,0) + E^{q}(x,\xi,0) \right]$$

X. Ji, Phy.Rev.Lett.78,610(1997)

«3D» quark/gluon image of the nucleon

Accessing GPDs through DVCS



Sensitivity to GPDs of DVCS spin observables

$$Re\mathcal{H}_{q} = e_{q}^{2} P \int_{0}^{+1} \left(H^{q}(x,\xi,t) - H^{q}(-x,\xi,t) \right) \left[\frac{1}{\xi - x} + \frac{1}{\xi + x} \right] dx$$

$$Im\mathcal{H}_{q} = \pi e_{q}^{2} \left[H^{q}(\xi,\xi,t) - H^{q}(-\xi,\xi,t) \right]$$

$$E = x_{B}/(2-x_{B}) \quad k = -t/4M^{2}$$

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$$Proton \quad Neutron$$

$$Polarized \quad beam, unpolarized target:$$

$$\Delta\sigma_{LU} \sim \sin\phi \operatorname{Im}\{F_{1}\mathcal{H} + \xi(F_{1} + F_{2})\widetilde{\mathcal{H}} - kF_{2}\mathcal{E}\} d\phi$$

$$Im\{\mathcal{H}_{p}, \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{p}, \mathcal{E}_{p}\}$$

$$Im\{\mathcal{H}_{n}, \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{n}, \mathcal{E}_{n}\}$$

$$Im\{\mathcal{H}_{p}, \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{p}\}$$

The CLAS detector (Jefferson Lab, Hall B)



- Toroidal magnetic field (6 supercond. coils)
- Drift chambers (argon/CO₂ gas, 35000 cells)
- Time-of-flight scintillators
- Electromagnetic calorimeters
- Cherenkov Counters (e/π separation)

Performances:

large acceptance for charged particles 8°<θ<142°, p_p>0.3 GeV/c, p_π>0.1GeV/c
good momentum and angular resolution Δp/p ≤0.5% - 1.5%, Δθ, Δφ ≤ 1 mrad

Optimal for measurements of exclusive reactions with multi-particle final states

After ~15 years of honored service, CLAS has completed its program in May 2012

The e1-DVCS experiment



Part 1 of the e1-DVCS experiment:

- Data taken from March 11 until May 27, 2005
- Beam energy ~ 5.766 GeV
- Beam current = 20-25 nA
- Beam polarization ~ 80%
- Integrated luminosity ~ $3.33 \times 10^7 \text{ nb}^{-1}$
- Target LH₂

CLAS + Solenoid (Moeller shield) + IC

More data taken in fall 2008, under analysis





IC (inner calorimeter) 424 lead tungstate crystals + APD readout

DVCS Beam Spin Asymmetries



 $\Delta \sigma_{LU} \sim \sin \phi \, Im \{F_1 \mathcal{H} + \xi (F_1 + F_2) \mathcal{H} - kF_2 \mathcal{E} \} d\phi$



Fit = $a \sin\phi/(1+b \cos\phi)$

F.X. Girod et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 162002 (2008)



(*) Guidal, Polyakov, Radyushkin, Vanderhaegen, PRD 72 (2005)

(**) Cano and Laget, PL B551 (2003)

DVCS cross sections



Beam-polarized cross section differences are also extracted

DVCS cross sections



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The eg1-dvcs experiment at CLAS

- Data taken from February to September 2009
- Beam energies = 4.735, 5.764, 5.892, 5.967 GeV
- Beam polarizaton ~ 85%
- CLAS+IC to detect forward photons
- Target: **longitudinally polarized** via DNP (5 Tesla, 1 Kelvin, 140 Ghz microwaves) NH_3 (~80%) and ND_3 (~30%) Luminosity ~ 5.10³⁴ cm⁻² s⁻¹
- \bullet Target polarization monitored by $\ensuremath{\mathbf{NMR}}$
- ~75 fb⁻¹ on NH3 (parts A, B), ~25 fb⁻¹ on ND3 (part C)





C.D. Keith et al., NIM A 501 (2003) 327

p-DVCS: Target Spin Asymmetry

 $\Delta \sigma_{UL} \sim \sin \phi Im \{F_1 \mathcal{H} + \xi (F_1 + F_2) (\mathcal{H} + x_B/2\mathcal{E}) - \xi k F_2 \mathcal{E} + \dots \} d\phi$

Erin Seder, UConn



p-DVCS: Double (Beam-Target) Spin Asymmetry Gary Smith, Glasgow



Dilution factor: $f \sim 0.76$ Target polarization: P_T =-85%, +90% Beam Polarization: P_B = 83%

Only IC photons included only eg1-dvcs part B data No π^0 background subtraction yet





Extracting n-DVCS from eg1-dvcs data

Daria Sokhan, IPNO



$\label{eq:starses} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{n-DVCS } A_{LU} \ \textbf{beam-spin asymmetry from ND}_{3} \\ \\ \Delta \sigma_{LU} \sim \sin \phi \ \textbf{Im} \{F_{1} \mathcal{H} + \xi (F_{1} + F_{2}) \widetilde{\mathcal{H}} + kF_{2} \textbf{E} \} d\phi \\ \\ \textbf{Daria Sokhan, IPNO} \end{array}$

Recoil nucleon momentum, Light: all cuts EXCEPT on that variable, dark: ALL CUTS



Missing momentum, Light: all cuts EXCEPT on that variable, dark: ALL CUTS



Ratio of difference of helicity yields over P-scaled sum, ϕ from γ^* - γ plane



Integrated over all kinematics No π_0 subtraction yet Statistics very low, but $A_{LU} \neq 0$! A_{UL} analysis also underway More data will be taken with CLAS12 at 11 GeV, on liquid deuterium target

Extraction of Compton Form Factors from p-DVCS observables

$$\mathbf{8 CFF} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{Re}(\mathcal{H}) = P \int_{0}^{1} dx [H(x,\xi,t) - H(-x,\xi,t)] C^{+}(x,\xi) \\ \mathbf{Re}(\mathcal{E}) = P \int_{0}^{1} dx [E(x,\xi,t) - E(-x,\xi,t)] C^{+}(x,\xi) \\ \mathbf{Re}(\mathcal{H}) = P \int_{0}^{1} dx [\widetilde{H}(x,\xi,t) + \widetilde{H}(-x,\xi,t)] C^{-}(x,\xi) \\ \mathbf{Re}(\mathcal{H}) = P \int_{0}^{1} dx [\widetilde{E}(x,\xi,t) + \widetilde{E}(-x,\xi,t)] C^{-}(x,\xi) \\ \mathbf{Re}(\mathcal{H}) = H(\xi,\xi,t) - H(-\xi,\xi,t) \\ \mathbf{Im}(\mathcal{H}) = H(\xi,\xi,t) - E(-\xi,\xi,t) \\ \mathbf{Im}(\mathcal{H}) = \widetilde{H}(\xi,\xi,t) - \widetilde{H}(-\xi,\xi,t) \\ \mathbf{Im}(\mathcal{H}) = \widetilde{H}(\xi,\xi,t) - \widetilde{H}(-\xi,\xi,t) \\ \mathbf{Im}(\mathcal{H}) = \widetilde{E}(\xi,\xi,t) - \widetilde{E}(-\xi,\xi,t) \\ \mathbf{Im}(\mathcal{H}) = \widetilde{E}(\xi,\xi,t) - \widetilde{E}(-\xi,\xi,t) \\ \mathbf{With} \ C^{\pm}(x,\xi) = \frac{1}{x-\xi} \pm \frac{1}{x+\xi} \end{cases}$$

M. Guidal: Model-independent fit, at fixed Q^2 , x_B and t of DVCS observables 8 unknowns (the CFFs), non-linear problem, strong correlations Bounding the domain of variation of the CFFs with model (5xVGG)

Extraction of CFF from the CLAS p-DVCS results



Simultaneous fit of σ and $\Delta \sigma$ from e1-dvcs and A_{UL} and A_{LL} from eg1-dvcs

Q²=1.94 GeV² x_B=0.24 -t=0.17 GeV²

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Deeply virtual meson production and GPDs



Complications: effective scale in the hard scattering process, meson distribution amplitude

Deeply virtual meson production at CLAS

Vector mesons: exclusive ρ^0 , ω , ϕ and ρ^+ electroproduction on the proton with CLAS:



There are also results on **exclusive pseudoscalar meson electroproduction** on the proton with CLAS:

R. De Masi *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 77, 042201(R), 2008 (π^0 @5.75GeV)

K. Park *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 77, 015208, 2008 (π^+ @5.75 GeV)

I. Bedlinskiy *et al.*, just submitted to PRL (π^0 @5.75GeV)

Comparison between vector mesons (σ)



Comparison between vector mesons

b increases with W ($\sim 1/x$): valence (fast) quarks in the center and sea (slow) quarks at the periphery of the nucleon





b decreases with Q²: by increasing the resolution of the probe, smaller objects in the nucleon can be seen

Longitudinal cross section $\sigma_L(\gamma^*_L p \rightarrow p \rho^0_L)$



S. Morrow et al., Eur. Phys. J. A 39, 5-31, 2009

VGG: Vanderhaeghen, Guichon, Guidal

GK: Goloskokov, Kroll

Exclusive electroproduction of π^0



GPDs: where we stand, where we are going

Dedicated experiments on DVCS (Hall A, CLAS), show evidence for handbag (twist-2) dominance (asymmetry ~sinφ) and unexpected scaling at Q²~ 2 GeV² (Hall A)
DVMP experiments (ρ, ω, π⁰) hint that either scaling cannot be reached for Q² as low as

for DVCS or **something is missing** in "standard" GPDs parameterizations

• Model-independent fits need to combine **several observables** measured with **high statistics on a wide kinematic coverage** to constrain GPDs

• Hall A's first attempt to measure **n-DVCS** showed the importance of this channel for **Ji's** sum rule and the extraction of J_q

More data needed on DVCS and DVMP:

➢ High Q² to verify scaling for DVCS on a wider Q² range, and to approach GPD validity regime for DVMP

- **Wide** x_B coverage
- High accuracy on measured observables (high luminosity required)
- > Measurements of spin-asymmetries and cross sections on proton and neutron

CLAS12 will be the optimal facility for these goals



Hall B@12 GeV: CLAS12

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Design luminosity} \\ \text{L} \sim 10^{35} \ \text{cm}^{\text{-2}}\text{s}^{\text{-1}} \end{array}$

Acceptance for charged particles: • Central (CD), 40°<θ<135°

• Forward (FD), 5°<θ<40°

Acceptance for photons: • IC 2°<θ<5° • EC, 5°<θ<40°

High luminosity & large acceptance: Concurrent measurement

of deeply virtual exclusive, semi-inclusive, and inclusive processes



Hall B@12 GeV: CLAS12

Forward Detector:

TORUS magnet Forward tracker HT Cherenkov Counter Drift chambers (3 regions) LT Cherenkov Counter Forward ToF System Preshower calorimeter E.M. calorimeter (EC) Inner Calorimeter (IC, not shown)

Central Detector:

SOLENOID magnet Barrel Silicon Tracker Central Time-of-Flight

Proposed upgrades:

Micromegas (CD) Neutron detector (CD) RICH detector (FD) Forward Tagger (FD)



Large phase space (ξ,t,Q²) and high luminosity



DVCS BSA and TSA with CLAS12 & 11 GeV beam

85 days of beam time

$$\begin{split} P_{beam} &= 85\% \\ L &= 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \\ 1 &< Q^2 &< 10 \text{ GeV}^2 \\ 0.1 &< x_B &< 0.65 \\ \text{-}t_{min} &< \text{-}t &< 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2 \\ \text{Statistical error: } 1\% \text{ to } 10\% \\ \text{on sin} \phi \text{ moments} \\ \text{Systematic uncertainties: } ~6-8\% \end{split}$$





120 days of beam time $P_{beam} = 85\%$, $P_{target} = 80\%$ $L = 2.10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ $1 < Q^2 < 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ $0.1 < x_B < 0.65$ $-t_{min} < -t < 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ Statistical error: 2% to 15% on sin ϕ moments Systematic uncertainties: ~6-8%

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CLAS12: p-DVCS transverse target-spin asymmetry

100 days of beam time

Beam pol. = 80% ; target pol. (HDIce) = 60% ; Luminosity = $5x10^{33}$ cm⁻²s⁻¹ 1< Q² < 10 GeV², 0.06 <x_B< 0.66, -t_{min}< -t < 1.5 GeV²



Proposal conditionally approved by PAC39

BSA for DVCS on the neutron with CLAS12

 $(H,E)_{u}(\xi,\xi,t) = \frac{9}{15} \Big[4 \big(H,E\big)_{p}(\xi,\xi,t) - \big(H,E\big)_{n}(\xi,\xi,t) \Big]$ $(H,E)_{d}(\xi,\xi,t) = \frac{9}{15} \Big[4 \big(H,E\big)_{n}(\xi,\xi,t) - \big(H,E\big)_{p}(\xi,\xi,t) \Big]$ $\Delta \sigma_{LU} \sim \sin \phi \, Im \{F_1 \mathcal{H} + \xi (F_1 + F_2) \widehat{\mathcal{H}} - kF_2 \mathcal{E} \} d\phi$

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Summary

> GPDs are a unique tool to explore the **internal landscape of the nucleon**:

- **3D** quark/gluon **imaging** of the nucleon
- orbital angular momentum carried by quarks

> Their extraction from experimental data is **very difficult**:

- they depend on **3 variables**, only two (ξ, t) experimentally accessible
- they appear as **integrals** in cross sections

➢ We need to measure several exclusive channels and observables over a wide phase space to constrain the parametrizations of GPDs

→ Very promising experimental results on DVCS (BSA, TSA, DSA, σ , $\Delta\sigma$) and DVMP (vector and pseudoscalars) are coming from CLAS:

- constraints on GPD models
- first model-independent GPD fits

➤ The JLab 12 GeV upgrade is essential for the study of 3-D nucleon structure in the valence region with high precision, allowing the measurement of deeply virtual exclusive processes (to access GPDs) with polarized beam and polarized targets

> A complete experimental program for DVCS on proton and neutron has been approved

CLAS12 will be world wide the only full acceptance, general purpose detector for high luminosity electron scattering experiments, and it will be perfectly suited for the GPD program

Many thanks to the organizers for inviting me here!