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OLYMPUS – A proposal to definitively determine the contribution of multiple photon exchange in elastic lepton-nucleon scattering

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- Introduction
- Motivation from previous data
- Description of the proposed experiment
- Summary



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Nucleon Elastic Form Factors ...

- Fundamental quantities
- Defined in context of single-photon exchange
- Describe internal structure of the nucleons
- Related to spatial distribution of charge and magnetism
- Rigorous tests of nucleon models
- Determined by quark structure of the nucleon
- Ultimately calculable by Lattice-QCD
- Input to nuclear structure and parity violation experiments

50 years of ever increasing activity

- Tremendous progress in experiment and theory over last decade
- New techniques / polarization experiments
- Unexpected results



Nucleon Elastic Form Factors



General definition of the nucleon form factor

$$egin{aligned} N(P') ig| oldsymbol{J}^{oldsymbol{\mu}}_{ ext{EM}}(0) ig| N(P) ig
angle = \ ar{u}(P') \left[\gamma^{oldsymbol{\mu}} oldsymbol{F}_1^{oldsymbol{N}}(Q^2) + i \sigma^{oldsymbol{\mu}
u} oldsymbol{\frac{q_
u}{2M}} oldsymbol{F}_2^{oldsymbol{N}}(Q^2)
ight] u(P) \end{aligned}$$

- Sachs Form Factors $G_E = F_1 \tau F_2$; $G_M = F_1 + F_2$, $\tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}$
- In One-photon exchange approximation above form factors are observables of elastic electron-nucleon scattering

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma/d\Omega}{(d\sigma/d\Omega)_{Mott}} &= S_0 = A(Q^2) + B(Q^2) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \\ &= \frac{G_E^2(Q^2) + \tau G_M^2(Q^2)}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2(Q^2) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \\ &= \frac{\epsilon G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2}{\epsilon (1 + \tau)}, \qquad \epsilon = \left[1 + 2(1 + \tau) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right]^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Rosenbluth Separation



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G^p_E and **G**^p_M from Unpolarized Data



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G^p_E and **G**^p_M from Unpolarized Data



Nucleon Form Factors and Polarization

- Double polarization in elastic/quasielastic ep or en scattering: Recoil polarization or (vector) polarized target ^{1,2}H(e,e'p), ^{1,2}H(e,e'p), ²H(e,e'n), ²H(e,e'n), ³He(e,e'n),
- Polarized cross section $\sigma = \sigma_0 \left(1 + P_e \, \vec{P_p} \cdot \vec{A}
 ight)$

Double spin asymmetry = spin correlation

 $-\sigma_0 \vec{P_p} \cdot \vec{A} = \sqrt{2\tau\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} G_E G_M \sin\theta^* \cos\phi^* + \tau \sqrt{1-\epsilon^2} G_M^2 \cos\theta^*$

Asymmetry ratio ("Super ratio")

$$rac{P_{\perp}}{P_{\parallel}} = rac{A_{\perp}}{A_{\parallel}} \propto rac{G_E}{G_M}$$

independent of polarization or analyzing power

Proton Form Factor Ratio



Jefferson Lab

- All Rosenbluth data from SLAC and Jlab in agreement
- Dramatic discrepancy between Rosenbluth and recoil polarization technique
- Multi-photon exchange considered best candidate

Dramatic discrepancy!

Proton Form Factor Ratio



lachello 1973:

Drop of the ratio already suggested by VMD



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Two-Photon Exchange

Two-photon exchange theoretically suggested

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Two-photon exchange



Two-photon exchange



Experiments to Verify 2_γ **Exchange**

Precision comparison of positron-proton and electron-proton elastic scattering over a sizable ε range at Q² ~ 2-3 (GeV/c)²

J. Arrington, PRC 69 (2004) 032201(R)



Two-photon exchange



OLYMPUS

pOsitron-proton and

eLectron-proton elastic scattering to test the

hYpothesis of

Multi-

Photon exchange

Using

DoriS

2008 – Full proposal 2009/10 – Transfer of BLAST 2011/12 – OLYMPUS Running





Proposed Experiment

- Electrons/positrons (100mA) in multi-GeV storage ring DORIS at DESY, Hamburg, Germany
- Unpolarized internal hydrogen target (buffer system) $3x10^{15} \text{ at/cm}^2 @ 100 \text{ mA} \rightarrow \text{L} = 2x10^{33} / (\text{cm}^2\text{s})$
- Redundant monitoring of luminosity pressure, temperature, flow, current measurements small-angle elastic scattering at high epsilon / low Q²
- Large acceptance detector for e-p in coincidence BLAST detector from MIT-Bates available
- Measure ratio of positron-proton to electron-proton unpolarized elastic scattering to 1% stat.+sys.

The BLAST Detector

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- Left-right symmetric
- Large acceptance: 0.1 < Q²/(GeV/c)² < 0.8 20° < θ < 80°, -15° < φ < 15°
- COILS B_{max} = 3.8 kG
- **DRIFT CHAMBERS** Tracking, PID (charge) $\delta p/p=3\%$, $\delta \theta = 0.5^{\circ}$
- CERENKOV COUNTERS e/π separation
- SCINTILLATORS
 Trigger, ToF, PID (π/p)
- NEUTRON COUNTERS
 Neutron tracking (ToF)



The BLAST Detector





Identification of Elastic Events



Proton Form Factor Ratio μ_pG^p_E/G^p^{*}_M



- Impact of BLAST data combined with cross sections on separation of G^p_E and G^p_M
- Errors factor ~2 smaller
- Reduced correlation
- Deviation from dipole at low Q²!

*Ph.D. work of C. Crawford (MIT) and A. Sindile (UNH)



Neutron Electric Form Factor Gⁿ^{*}



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Forward Elastic Luminosity Monitor

- Forward angle electron/positron telescopes or trackers with good angular and vertex resolution
- Coincidence with proton in BLAST
- High rate capability

GEM technology

MIT protoype:

Telescope of 3 Triple GEM prototypes (10 x 10 cm²) using TechEtch foils

F. Simon et al., Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A 598 (2009) 432



Control of Systematics

$$N_{ij} = L_{ij} \sigma_i \kappa^p_{ij} \kappa^l_{ij} \quad \text{i = e+ or e-j= pos/neg polarity}$$

Geometric proton efficiency: $\kappa^p_{{\rm e}^+ j} = \kappa^p_{{\rm e}^- j}$

$$\frac{N_{\mathrm{e}+j}/L_{\mathrm{e}+j}}{N_{\mathrm{e}-j}/L_{\mathrm{e}-j}} = \frac{\sigma_{\mathrm{e}+}}{\sigma_{\mathrm{e}-}} \cdot \frac{\kappa_{\mathrm{e}+j}^{l}}{\kappa_{\mathrm{e}-j}^{l}} \stackrel{\text{Ratio in single}}{\xrightarrow{\text{polarity j}}}$$

Geometric lepton $\kappa^l_{e^++} = \kappa^l_{e^--}$ and $\kappa^l_{e^+-} = \kappa^l_{e^-+}$

Control of Systematics

Super ratio:

$$\left[\frac{N_{\rm e^++}/L_{\rm e^++}}{N_{\rm e^-+}/L_{\rm e^-+}} \cdot \frac{N_{\rm e^+-}/L_{\rm e^+-}}{N_{\rm e^--}/L_{\rm e^--}}\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\sigma_{\rm e^+}}{\sigma_{\rm e^-}}$$

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Cycle of four states ij Repeat cycle many times

- Change between electrons and positrons every other day
- Change BLAST polarity every other day
- Left-right symmetry

Projected Results for OLYMPUS



Experiments to Verify 2 *γ* **Exchange**



Experiment proposals to verify hypothesis:

e+/e- ratio:CLAS/PR04-116
Novosibirsk/VEPP-3
BLAST@DORIS/DESYsecondary e+/e- beam
storage ring / internal target
storage ring / internal targetSSA:PR05-15 (Hall A)
PR04-119 (polarized), PR05-017 (unpolarized)

Summary

- Significant effect theoretically predicted, size uncertain
- Convinced from feasibility of proposed experiment (2006)
- Contacted DESY, idea presented to PRC in May 2007
- Submitted letter of intent in June 2007
- Presented to DOE at MIT review in July 2007
- Intern. collaboration (~50 scientists, 11 inst.), April 2008
- Submitted full proposal on invitation by DESY (Sep 2008)
 Next steps:
 - Fund raising in the US and in Europe (2009)
 - **Transfer of BLAST detector (2009-2010)**
 - **Construction of new components (2009-2011)**
 - Running 3 months in 2011 and 2012 (DORIS shutdown)³⁰

Interpreting Electron Scattering ...

"[...] most of what we know and everything we believe about hadron structure [...]" (W. Turchinetz)

"The electromagnetic probe is well understood, hence ..." (a common phrase in many articles)

The elastic form factors characterize the simplest process in nuclear physics, namely elastic scattering (straightforward, one should think)

If we don't understand the form factors and elastic scattering, we will not have understood anything (my take on the importance of OLYMPUS)

Science = Replacing belief by knowledge

