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GPDs from Theory to Experiment



2. The GPDs enter the DVCS amplitude as an integral over x:

- GPDs appear in the real part through a PP integral over x
- GPDs appear in the imaginary part but at the line x= ξ

$$T^{DVCS} = \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{GPD(x,\xi,t)}{x-\xi+i\varepsilon} dx + \cdots$$
$$= P \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{GPD(x,\xi,t)}{x-\xi} dx - i\pi GPD(x=\xi,\xi,t) + \cdots$$

Experimental observables linked to GPDs

3. Experimentally, DVCS is undistinguishable with Bethe-Heitler



However, we know FF at low t and BH is fully calculable

Using a polarized beam on an unpolarized target or an unpolarized beam on a polarized target, one can access 2 observables:

$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{dx_B dQ^2 dt d\varphi} \approx \left| T^{BH} \right|^2 + 2T^{BH} \cdot \operatorname{Re}\left(T^{DVCS} \right) + \left| T^{DVCS} \right|^2$$

$$\frac{d^{4}\vec{\sigma} - d^{4}\vec{\sigma}}{dx_{B}dQ^{2}dtd\varphi} \approx 2T^{BH} \cdot \operatorname{Im}(T^{DVCS}) + \left[\left| T^{DVCS} \right|^{2} - \left| T^{DVCS} \right|^{2} \right]$$

$$A^{\dagger} JLab \text{ energies,}$$

$$|T^{DVCS}|^{2} \text{ is small... maybe!}$$

Kroll, Guichon, Diehl, Pire, ...

Into the harmonic structure of DVCS



Belitsky, Mueller, Kirchner

<u>Difference of cross-section for polarized beam on unpolarized target:</u>

$$\frac{d^{4} \overrightarrow{\sigma} - d^{4} \overleftarrow{\sigma}}{dx_{B} dQ^{2} dt d\varphi} = \frac{\Gamma(x_{B}, Q^{2}, t)}{\Pr(\varphi) \Pr_{2}(\varphi)} \left\{ s_{1}^{t} \sin \varphi + s_{2}^{t} \sin 2\varphi \right\}$$

$$s_{1}^{t} = 8Ky(2 - y) \left[\text{Im } C^{t}(F) \right]$$

$$C^{t}(F) = F_{1} H + \frac{x_{B}}{2 - x_{B}} (F_{1} + F_{2}) \tilde{H} - \frac{t}{4M^{2}} F_{2} E$$

$$\text{Im } H = \pi \sum_{q} e_{q}^{2} \left\{ H^{q}(\xi, \xi, t) - H^{q}(-\xi, \xi, t) \right\}$$

$$\text{GPD } \parallel$$

<u>Difference of cross-section for unpolarized beam on polarized target:</u>

$$\frac{d^{4} \overrightarrow{\sigma} - d^{4} \overleftarrow{\sigma}}{dx_{B} dQ^{2} dt d\varphi} = \frac{\Gamma(x_{B}, Q^{2}, t)}{\mathbf{P}_{1}(\varphi) \mathbf{P}_{2}(\varphi)} \left\{ s_{1}^{I} \sin \varphi + s_{2}^{I} \sin 2\varphi \right\}$$

$$s_{1}^{I} = 8Ky(2 - y) \left[\mathrm{Im} C^{I}(F) \right]$$

$$C^{I}(F) = \xi(F_{1} + F_{2}) \left(\mathrm{H} + \frac{\xi}{1 + \xi} \mathrm{E} \right) + F_{1} \widetilde{\mathrm{H}} - \xi \left(\frac{\xi}{1 + \xi} F_{1} + \frac{t}{4M^{2}} F_{2} \right) \widetilde{\mathrm{E}}$$

Mostly sensitive to H and $\tilde{\mathrm{H}}$

Experimentally advantageous, the asymmetry can be written as:

$$\frac{d^{4} \overrightarrow{\sigma} - d^{4} \overrightarrow{\sigma}}{d^{4} \overrightarrow{\sigma} + d^{4} \overleftarrow{\sigma}} = \Gamma_{A} (x_{B}, Q^{2}, t) \frac{s_{1}^{I} \sin \varphi + s_{2}^{I} \sin 2\varphi}{c_{0}^{I} + c_{0}^{BH} + (c_{1}^{I} + c_{1}^{BH}) \cos \varphi + \dots}$$

With limited statistics and to give rough estimates, one can consider that the denominator is dominated by c_0^{BH} .

However, high precision experiment will need to take everything into account to extract twist-2 GPDs **without model dependence**. This is foreseen to be achieved using a global fit to parametrized GPDs, just like NLO fits to structure functions yield PDFs.

X. Ji Workshop in October!

E1-DVCS data and analysis are promising !

Same experimental method as the proposed experiment



Analysis by F.X. Girod



+ more data in 2008

From 6 to 11 GeV!



<u>Goal:</u> To measure BSA, TSA and (beam)-helicity dependent cross-sections for the DVCS process in the full domain allowed by 11 GeV beam with statistical error bars similar or better than foreseen systematic errors:

80 days unpolarized target, 120 days polarized target

Within a **global analysis of world data** including HERMES and Hall A Deep Exclusive data, the impact of JLab 11 GeV data will provide the strongest constraints to a model independent parametrization of GPDs (Mueller et al.).



+ improved acceptance

Experimental Setup and proposed experiments at 11 GeV

Use of base CLAS12 equipment, including Inner Calorimeter (IC)



Longitudinally polarized NH3 target

85%
1/6
up to 100 mm
up to 30 mm
up to 2x10^35 /cm ² /s
NMR + physics



IC radiation study

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Study by L. Elouadrhiri and A. Vlassov

IC radiation study



The IC radiation is not worse with CLAS12 configuration than during E1-DVCS

IC block gain variation during E1-DVCS running



Electron acceptance for DVCS



Proton acceptance for DVCS



Photon acceptance for DVCS



Clean exclusive (e,p, γ) final state is selected the usual way.

The remaining contribution comes from π° electroproduction asymetric decays (only 1 photon detected), which can be reduced by performing cuts on Emiss and $\delta\theta$, the angle between the expected and measured photons.

Reduction in pion contamination by up to a factor 10!

π° subtraction: removing the remaining contribution

-Determination of 1- γ to 2- γ photon acceptance ratio from Monte-Carlo

-Measurement of π^{0} yield (2- γ detected) and asymmetry

[Method already used for analysis of EG1 data (PRL 97, 072002 (2006))]

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Acceptance for DVCS events in (x,Q^2,t)

Beam Spin Asymmetry

Target Spin Asymmetry

IC in standard position - 200 days - 2x10^35 Lum - VGG model

Sensitivity to GPD models - sample of data points

Systematic Errors (all relative)

Source	BSA	$\Delta \sigma$	σ
Luminosity	-	2%	2%
Pe determination	2%	2%	-
π° contamination	1%-5%	1%-5%	3-8%
Acceptance	3%	8%	8%
Radiative Corr.	1%	3%	3%
Total	4%-7%	9%-10%	8%-12%

Unpolarized Target

Po	arized
Т	arget

Source	TSA
Nuclear Material	4%
Pt determination	3%
π° contamination	1%-5%
Acceptance	3%
Accidentals	1%
Radiative Corr.	1%
Total	6%-8%

> Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering remains the best understood tool in order to access GPDs at moderate energies.

> Beam and Target spin asymmetries will allow access to observables linked to GPDs (different kinds and combinations).

 \geq Experimentally, the previous analysis have proven the feasibility of these type of experiments. The potential issue of radiation damage to the IC is under control with proper shielding.

> An essential aspect of the GPD study for 12 GeV is to collect a large statistical sample in order to give constraints on GPD parametrizations. Precision data is the key to the understanding of the nucleon structure with this study.