### Experimental Overview Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs)

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### Outline

Generalized Parton Distributions - a unifying framework of hadron structure

Experiments to access GPDs

Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering
 Deeply Virtual Meson Production

JLab @ 12 GeV – A GPD factory

>Summary

#### How is the Proton Charge Density Related to its Quark Momentum distribution?



Proton form factors, transverse charge & current densities

Correlated quark momentum and helicity distributions in transverse space - GPDs Structure functions, quark longitudinal momentum & helicity distributions

#### From Inclusive to Exclusive Scattering



### Link to DIS and Elastic Form Factors

Form factors (sum rules)  

$$\int dx \sum_{q} \left[ H^{q}(x,\xi_{1}) \right] = F_{1}(t) \text{ Dirac f.f.}$$

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$$\int dx \widetilde{F}^{q}(x,\xi_{1}) = G_{A,q}(t), \int_{1}^{1} dx \widetilde{E}^{q}(x,\xi_{1}) = G_{P,q}(t)$$

$$H^{q}, E^{q}, \widetilde{H}^{q}, \widetilde{E}^{q}(x,\xi_{1})$$

$$Angular Momentum Sum Rule$$

$$J^{q} = \frac{1}{2} - J^{G} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} x dx \left[ H^{q}(x,\xi,0) + E^{q}(x,\xi,0) \right]_{X. \text{ Ji, Phy.Rev.Lett.78,610(1997)}}$$

## Universality of GPDs



# How can we determine the GPDs?

### Accessing GPDs in exclusive processes

• Deeply virtual Compton scattering (clean probe, flavor blind)



• Hard exclusive meson production (quark flavor filter)

 $ep \rightarrow e' p' \pi \qquad Sensitive \ to \ \widetilde{H}, \ \widetilde{E} \qquad \stackrel{e}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{e'}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\gamma^*}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{M}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\gamma^*}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{M}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\varphi'}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{P'}{\longrightarrow} \qquad Sensitive \ to \ H, \ E \qquad \stackrel{p}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{p'}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{P'}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{P'}{\longrightarrow} \qquad P'$ 

• 4 GPDs in leading order, 2 flavors (u, d)  $\rightarrow$  8 measurements

### Accessing GPDs through DVCS



### Model representation of GPD $H(x,\xi,0)$



### Measuring GPDs through polarization

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{\sigma^+ - \sigma^-}{\sigma^+ + \sigma^-} = \frac{\Delta\sigma}{2\sigma}$$

Polarized beam, unpolarized target:

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

$$\uparrow$$
Kinematically suppressed

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

 $H(\xi,t), E(\xi,t)$ 

Unpolarized beam, longitudinal target:

$$\Delta \sigma_{UL} \sim \frac{\sin \phi \operatorname{Im} \{F_1 \widetilde{H} + \xi(F_1 + F_2)(H + \xi/(1 + \xi)E) - ...\} d\phi}{\widetilde{H}(\xi, t)}$$

Kinematically suppressed

Unpolarized beam, transverse target:

 $\Delta \sigma_{\text{UT}} \sim \frac{\sin \phi}{k} Im \{k(F_2H - F_1E) + ....\} d\phi$ 

Kinematically suppressed

### Pioneering experiments observe interference



### First JLab experiment with GPDs in mind.

- Polarized electrons, E = 5.75 GeV
- Q<sup>2</sup> up to 5.5 GeV<sup>2</sup>
- x<sub>B</sub> from 0.2 to 0.6

- Hadronic invariant mass W < 2.8 GeV



### A first view at kinematical dependencies

$$\Delta \sigma_{LU} \sim \frac{\sin \phi}{1} \operatorname{Im} \{F_1 H + \xi (F_1 + F_2) H - t/4m^2 F_2 E\} d\phi$$





Measurements with polarized target will constrain the polarized GPDs and combined with beam SSA measurements would allow precision measurement of unpolarized GPDs.

### First DVCS measurement with spin-aligned target

Unpolarized beam, longitudinally spin-aligned target:

$$\Delta \sigma_{UL} \sim \frac{\sin \phi}{1} \operatorname{Im} \{F_1 \widetilde{H} + \xi (F_1 + F_2) H + ... \} d\phi$$



#### Dedicated DVCS experiment at JLab Hall-A, 2004 - 2005



HRS + PbF<sub>2</sub> + Plastic scintillator H(e,e' $\gamma$ p) D(e,e' $\gamma$ N)N

Plastic scintillator array





### Dedicated CLAS DVCS experiment



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### **GPDs** - Flavor separation



Photons cannot separate u/d quark contributions.

 $M = \rho^{0}/\rho^{+}, \omega \text{ select H, E, for u/d}$ quarks  $M = \pi, \eta, K \text{ select H, E}$ 

#### Cross section $\sigma_L (\gamma^*_L p \rightarrow p \rho_L^0)$



In the past few years, we have made a start in the quest to unravel the Structure of the Proton.

What does the future hold?

### **Overview of 12 GeV Physics Program**



Hall C – precision determination of valence quark properties in nucleons and nuclei





Hall A – short range correlations, form factors, hyper-nuclear physics, future new experiments

### Initial Physics Program in Hall B at 12 GeV

□ GPD's and 3D-Imaging of the Nucleon

□ Valence Quark Distributions

#### **General Form Factors and Resonance Excitations**

**Hadrons in the Nuclear Medium** 

Hadron Spectroscopy with quasi-real Photons

#### Deeply Virtual Exclusive Processes -Kinematics Coverage of the 12 GeV Upgrade



### DVCS/BH-Beam Asymmetry

 $E_{e} = 11 \text{ GeV}$ 



With large acceptance, measure large  $Q^2$ ,  $x_B$ , t ranges simultaneously.

$$\begin{array}{l} A(Q^2, x_B, t) \\ \Delta \sigma(Q^2, x_B, t) \\ \sigma (Q^2, x_B, t) \end{array}$$

### CLAS12 - DVCS/BH- Beam Asymmetry



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### CLAS12 - DVCS/BH Target Asymmetry

 $e \vec{p} \rightarrow ep\gamma$ 

Longitudinally polarized target

 $\Delta \sigma \sim \sin \phi \operatorname{Im} \{ F_1 \widetilde{H} + \xi (F_1 + F_2) H \dots \} d \phi$ 



### Exclusive $\rho^0$ production on transverse target



K. Goeke, M.V. Polyakov, M. Vanderhaeghen, 2001

### Double DVCS (DDVCS)



#### Summary

- DVCS beam spin asymmetries was extracted from two different CLAS data sets and for two different samples and was used to study GPDs.
- DVCS target spin asymmetry was extracted and compared with GPD based predictions (in publication).
- Studies of the exclusive  $\pi^0$  background performed. Beam and target SSA extracted.
- High luminosity, polarized CW beam, wide kinematic and geometric acceptance allow studies of exclusive meson production in hard scattering kinematics, providing data needed to study GPDs.



Upgraded JLab: Combination of full acceptance, (CLAS12) and high luminosity detector will provide high precision measurements of 3D PDFs in the valence region.

### Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering







### JLab Upgrade to 12 GeV





### GPD H from expected DVCS $A_{LU}$ data



Other kinematics measured concurrently

### CLAS12 - DVCS/BH Target Asymmetry

