Electromagnetic Form Factors



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Electron Scattering Provides an Ideal Microscope for Nuclear Physics



- Electrons are point-like
- The interaction (QED) is well-known
- The interaction is "weak"
- Vary *q* to map out Fourier Transforms of charge and current densities:

 $\lambda \cong 2\pi/q$ (1 fm \Leftrightarrow 1 GeV/c)

$$S_{fi} = \frac{-e^2}{\Omega} \,\overline{u}(k_2) \,\gamma^{\mu} \,u(k_1) \frac{1}{q^2} \int e^{iq \cdot x} \langle f | \hat{J}_{\mu}(x) | i \rangle d^4x$$

 $Q^2 = -q^2 = 4$ -Momentum Transfer CEBAF's \vec{e} and CW beams dramatically enhance the power of electron scattering

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Overview of 6 GeV Form Factor Data



Future Measurements on G_E^p



 Perdrisat *et al.* E01-109 — will increase range of Q² by 50% in FY08 (range of Q² for neutron will double over next 3-4 years)

With 12 GeV and SHMS in Hall C : similarly for G_Mⁿ (and G_Eⁿ)

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Lattice QCD



JLab and National Effort

• Jefferson Laboratory co-equal partner with BNL and FNAL in lattice QCD effort.



Lattice QCD at JLab having critical impact on JLab's Nuclear Physics Program



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E01-004: New Pion Form Factor Data



Pion Form Factor – Lattice QCD



Pion Form factor vs Q² commensurate with experiment
Future: pion GPDs and transition form factors

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Lattice: Proton EM Form Factors



- Lattice QCD computes the *isovector* form factor
- Hence obtain Dirac charge radius (r²)^{u-d}ch assuming dipole form
- Chiral extrap. Using LNA and LA terms and finite-range regulator.

Leinweber, Thomas, Young, PRL 86, 5011

 As the pion mass approaches the physical value, the size approaches the correct value

$$\langle \mathbf{r}^2 \rangle_{\mathrm{ch}}^{\mathrm{u-d}} = \mathbf{a_0} - 2 \frac{\left(1 + 5\mathbf{g}_A^2\right)}{(4\pi \mathbf{f}_\pi)^2} \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{\mathbf{m}_\pi^2}{\mathbf{m}_\pi^2 + \mathbf{\Lambda}^2}\right)$$

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Strange Quark Form Factors



Early Theoretical predictions at $Q^2 = 0$



$$\mu_s \equiv G_M^s \, (Q^2 = 0)$$

Non-zero value of G_{F}^{s} or G_{M}^{s} requires spatial separation of s and \overline{s}

$$r_s^2 \equiv -6 \left[\frac{dG_E^s}{dQ^2} \right]_{Q^2=0}$$

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Octet Magnetic Moments



"Back of the Envelope" Estimates

Nowhere that current quark masses enter dynamics - always constituent quark masses

- Hence s-sbar pair costs 1.0-1.1 GeV plus KE
- K Λ costs 0.65 GeV plus KE (and coupling $\sim \pi$ N) (K- Σ much smaller \Rightarrow ignore)
- Lots of evidence that $P_{\pi\,N}\sim 20\% \Rightarrow P_{K\,\Lambda}\sim 5\%$

 $G_{M}{}^{s}\approx$ -3 \times P_{K\,\Lambda} $\times~$ [2/3 (+0.61 + 1/3) +1/3(-0.61 + 0)] \approx -0.067 μ_{N}

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Strangeness Radius



• Meson cloud \sim (R + 0.2)²

• Hence: -3 < r²>_s ~ -3 ×(+ 1/3) $\mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{K}\,\Lambda}$ [- 0.49 R^2 + (R + 0.2)²]

 ϵ (-0.02, -0.04) fm² for R ϵ (0.8,1.0) fm

• Hence: G_{E}^{s} (0.1 GeV²) ~ (+0.01, +0.02)





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More Chiral Physics

Noted above that N π probability is of order 20% (take 21%)

 \Rightarrow p ~ 79% bare p + 14% bare n π^+ + 7% bare p π^0

 $n \sim 79\%$ bare n + 14% bare p π^- + 7% bare n π^0

Let bare p charge density at r=0 be x (and bare n zero \Rightarrow ratio of physical charge densities of n/p at r=0 is:

> 0.14x / (0.79x + 0.07x) $\sim 1/6$

Modulo corrections from non-zero bare n charge density, $\Delta \pi$ etc.. Tellerson Pab

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Chiral Extrapolation of Lattice data at high-Q²?

- Body of lattice data for electromagnetic form factors is growing (notably QCDSF and LHPC)
- Q² as high as 3 GeV² hopefully 10 GeV² within 5 years
- Currently quenched (primarily) and a \rightarrow 0 and L $\rightarrow \infty$ errors not totally under control and finally m_π relatively large
- How do we extrapolate to physical pion mass, while preserving the well known chiral properties of QCD?

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Initial Approach: Build Chiral Behavior into Dipole Forms

$$G(Q^2) = \frac{G(0)}{(1+Q^2/\Lambda^2)^2}$$

Relates Λ to radius through low-Q² expansion

Fit Λ as function of m_{π} to lattice QCD data





Comparison of Extrapolated Form Factors with Data



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2: Vector Meson Dominance: **Gari-Krümpelmann form**



3: Light-Front Cloudy Bag Model



L-F CBM (cont.)

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N.B. Errors from chiral extrapolation only...

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4: Systematic Expansion – Model Independent



Finite Range Regulator

Suppresses meson loops for meson mass >0.4 GeV <u>and</u> high Q^2 but until data good enough to fix it \rightarrow adds small error





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Apply same approach at each fixed Q²

Fit a_0 , a_2 etc to data as function of m_{π} at each Q² - above 0.23 GeV² data cannot fix a_4 or higher (yet!)



Data from CSSM group: Boinepalli et al.

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Pion Loops Suppressed for Higher Q²



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Lattice data QCDSF

Comparison with data to 2.5 GeV² already quite impressive

- recall caveat on lattice errors



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Summary

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 There has been tremendous experimental progress, led by JLab
 <u>including</u> flavor decomposition



- Prospects for accurate lattice data with known systematic errors very good over next 5 years
- Systematic expansion in powers of pion mass, supplemented by FRR pion loops seems very promising





0.15 RDY et al., PRL97(2006) SAMPLE, PVA4, HAPPEX, G0 0.1 new precision HAPPEX nucl-ex/0609002 0.05 3 -0.05Leinweber, RDY et al PRL(2005,2006) -0.195% CL -0.15-0.50.5 0 1.5 G_M^s

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