<u>Generalized Parton Distributions</u> and the Structure of the Nucleon

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Fundamental questions in hadron physics?



Elastic scattering

⇒ the proton is not a point-like particle

- charge and current distribution in the proton, F_1/F_2

1960-1990: What is the internal structure of the proton?

- Deep inelastic scattering
 - ⇒ discover quarks
 - quark momentum and spin distributions q(x), $\Delta q(x)$

Today: How are these representations of the proton, charge/current distributions and quark momentum/spin distributions fundamentally connected?

Beyond charge and quark distributions – Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs)

X. Ji, D. Mueller, A. Radyushkin (1994-1997), ... M. Burkardt, A. Belitsky (2000) ...



Transverse charge & current densities

Infinite momentum frame



Quark longitudinal momentum & helicity distributions

Correlated distributions in transverse space - GPDs

From Holography to Tomography



By varying the energy and momentum transfer to the proton we probe its interior and generate tomographic images of the proton ("femto tomography").

Deeply Virtual Exclusive Processes & GPDs

"handbag" mechanism



$$\xi = \frac{x_{B}}{2 - x_{B}}$$

Link to DIS and Elastic Form Factors

DIS at
$$\xi = t = 0$$

 $H(x,0,0) = q(x), -\overline{q}(-x)$
 $\widetilde{H}(x,0,0) = \Delta q(x), \Delta \overline{q}(-x)$
 $\widetilde{H}(x,0,0) = \Delta q(x), \Delta \overline{q}(-x)$
 $H, E, \widetilde{H}, \widetilde{E}(x,\xi,t) = G_{A,q}(t), \int_{-1}^{1} dx \widetilde{E}(x,\xi,t) = G_{P,q}(t)$
 $H, E, \widetilde{H}, \widetilde{E}(x,\xi,t)$
Quark angular momentum (Ji's sum rule)
 $J^{q} = \frac{1}{2} - J^{G} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} x dx \left[H^{q}(x,\xi,0) + E^{q}(x,\xi,0) \right]_{X.J; Phy.Rev.Lett.78,610(1997)}$

A Unified Description of Hadron Structure



Accessing GPDs through DVCS



BH: given by elastic form factors DVCS: determined by GPDs

 $\Delta \sigma_{LU} \sim BH Im(DVCS) sin\phi + higger twist.$

Separating GPDs through polarization

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

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

H, H, E

Polarized beam, unpolarized target:

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

Unpolarized beam, longitudinal target:

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

Unpolarized beam, transverse target:

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





Access GPDs through x-section & asymmetries



First observation of DVCS/BH beam asymmetry



e⁻p→ e⁻pX \mathbf{A}_{LU} CLAS 0.4 4.3 GeV 0.2 0 -0.2 -0.4 Q²=1.5 GeV² 100 200 300 0 $\phi(deg)$

GPD analysis of CLAS/HERMES/HERA data in LO/ NLO shows results consistent with handbag mechanism and lowest order pQCD A. Freund, PRD 68,096006 (2003), A. Belitsky, et al. (2003) $A(\phi) = \alpha \sin \phi + \beta \sin 2\phi$

$$\beta/\alpha \ll 1 \longrightarrow \text{twist-3} \ll \text{twist-2}$$

DVCS/BH target asymmetry

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

Longitudinally polarized target

$$\mathbf{A}_{UL} \sim \sin\phi \{ F_1 \widetilde{\mathbf{H}} + \xi (F_1 + F_2) \mathbf{H} \dots \} d\phi$$

Asymmetry observed at about the expected magnitude. Much higher statistics, and broad kinematical coverage are needed.



HERMES data on deuterium target

First DVCS experiment with GPDs in mind



Twist-2 + twist-3: Kivel, Polyakov, Vanderhaeghen (2000)

Model with GPD parametrization and quark k_{T} corrections describes data.

First Dedicated DVCS Experiments at JLab

=> Full reconstruction of all final state particles e, p, γ => High luminosity



Data taking completed

Currently taking data

DVCS/BH Beam-Charge Asymmetry





Improved statistics and control of systematic expected in future run

> Measurements proposed for COMPASS experiment at CERN in $\mu^+-\mu^-$.

GPDs - Flavor separation



DVCS cannot separate u/d quark contributions.

M = ρ/ω select H, E, for u/d flavors M = π , η , K select H, Ě

Exclusive ep \longrightarrow ep ρ_L^0 production



JLab Upgrade to 12 GeV Energy



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.

$$A(Q^{2}, x_{B}, t)$$

$$\Delta\sigma(Q^{2}, x_{B}, t)$$

$$\sigma(Q^{2}, x_{B}, t)$$

CLAS12 - DVCS/BH- Beam Asymmetry



CLAS12 - DVCS/BH Beam Asymmetry



CLAS12 - DVCS/BH Target Asymmetry





Exclusive p production on transverse target



Images of the Proton's Quark Content



Summary

➤ The discovery of Generalized Parton Distributions has opened up a new and exciting area of hadron physics that needs exploration in dedicated experiments.

Moderate to high energy, very high luminosity, and large acceptance spectrometers are needed to measure GPDs in deeply virtual exclusive processes.

➤ The JLab 12 GeV Upgrade will provide the tools to do this well and explore the nucleon at a deeper level.