

Accessing the Generalized Parton Distributions

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Outline & Confession

1.Introduction2.Review3.sPHENIX possibilities?

In this presentation, I blatantly took a lot of materials from great talks presented by Andrey Kim, Dariah Sokhan, Stepan Stepanyan, Nicole d'Hose, Ronan McNulty and many others

3D Description of Proton



Beyond the Longitudinal Description



After decades of study, we are now better equipped, both theoretically and experimentally, to decrypt the multidimensional structure of proton
 Gain more insights into the questions regarding the fundamental properties of proton

Beyond the Longitudinal Description



Transverse Momentum Dependent Distributions (TMD): k
 Generalized Parton Distributions (GPD): b



At fixed Q², the GPDs depend on the following variables:

x: average longitudinal momentum fraction

- ξ : longitudinal momentum difference
- t: four momentum transfer (correlated to b via Fourier transform)

> A total of 8 GPDs for a specific parton 4 Chiral-even (parton helicity unchanged): $H, E, \widetilde{H}, \widetilde{E}$ 4 Chiral-odd (parton helicity changed): $H_T, E_T, \widetilde{H}_T, \widetilde{E}_T$





Average over quark helicity → Unpolarized

→ Polarized





GPDs embody both PDFs and FFs

Provides information on the interesting properties of the nucleon.

- > Mapping the transverse plane distribution of parton
- Pressure distribution inside nucleon
- Angular momentum of parton



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Exclusive Process

- Use exclusive processes, where all final state particles are "detected", to access the muliti-variable dependence of GPDs, and constrain the GPD parameterization with measurements in various phase space.
 Processes:
 - Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)
 - Deeply Virtual Meson Production (DVMP)
 - Time-like Compton Scattering (TCS)
 - Double DVCS (DDVCS)



Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering



D. Mueller *et al*, Fortsch. Phys. 42 (1994)
X.D. Ji, PRL 78 (1997), PRD 55 (1997)
A. V. Radyushkin, PLB 385 (1996), PRD 56 (1997)

DVCS:
$$l + p \rightarrow l' + p' + \gamma$$

Exclusive production of a single photon in the final state







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Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering



DVCS: $l + p \rightarrow l' + p' + \gamma$

> DVCS is regarded as the golden channel and gives access to four chiral-even GPDs $H, \tilde{H}, E, \tilde{E}(x, \xi, t)$. Its interference with the well-understood Bethe-Heitler process gives access to more info.



 $E_{\ell}, Q^2, x_B \sim 2\xi / (1+\xi),$ t (or $\theta_{\gamma^*\gamma}$) and ϕ ($\ell\ell'$ plane/ $\gamma\gamma^*$ plane)

 $x_{\rm B} = \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q} \rightarrow$ Bjorken scaling variable



Compton Form Factors (CFFs)



$$\mathcal{Re}\mathcal{H}(\xi,t) = \mathcal{P}\int dx \, \frac{Im\,\mathcal{H}(x,t)}{x-\xi} + \Delta(t)$$

Transverse Imaging and Pressure Distribution



Polarized Beam & Unpolarized Target

Experimental access by cross-sections and spin asymmetries



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Sensitivity to CFFs

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Neutron target: flavor decomposition & access to E

The Past and Present Experiments



e-p Collider forward fast proton

HERA: H1 and ZEUS
 Polarised 27 GeV e-/e+
 Unpolarized 920 GeV proton
 ~Full event reconstruction

Fixed target mode slow recoil proton

HERMES: Polarised 27 GeV e-/e+
 Long., Trans. polarised p, d target
 Missing mass technique, 2006-09 with recoil detector

 Jlab: Hall A, C, CLAS High Luminosity Polar. 6 & 12 GeV e-Long., (Trans.) polarised p, d target
 Missing mass technique (A,C) and complete detection (CLAS)

> COMPASS @ CERN: Polarised 160 GeV μ +/ μ p target, (Trans.) polarised *target with recoil p detection*



Landscape – Global Programs of DVCS



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Starting with lower energy – intermediate to high xB

A complete set of DVCS asymmetries at Hermes



HERMES provided a complete set of observables

2001: 1st DVCS publication as CLAS & H1 2007: end of data taking 2012: still important publications JHEP 07 (2012) 032 A_C A_{LU} JHEP10(2012) 042 A_{LU} with recoil detection (2006-7)

- Electron & positron beams on proton
- Beam energy of 27.6 GeV
- ▶ Luminosity $\leq 10^{31} cm^{-2}s^{-1}$
- Most data within: $0.05 \le x_B \le 0.2$
 - $0.03 \le x_B \le 0.2$ $2 \ GeV^2 \le Q^2 \le 6 \ GeV^2$

Beam Spin Sum and Diff of DVCS at JLab Hall A

- ➤ After the pioneering E00-110 in 2004 at Hall-A, the E07-007 experiment in 2010
- > High precision cross-section measurement in a small kinematic region: Generalized Rosenbluth separation of the DVCS² (scales as E_e^2) and the BH-DVCS interference (scales as E_e^3) terms. NLO and/or higher-twist improve model agreement





- Two scenarios: higher-twist or next-to-leading order
- Significant differences between pure DVCS and
- Separation of HT and NLO effects requires scans across wider ranges of Q^2 and beam energy \rightarrow JLab 12

Defurne et al., Nature Communications 8 (2017) 1408

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 $\stackrel{\leq}{e} p \rightarrow e \gamma p$

➢ E_e: 4.5 & 5.6 GeV $P Q^2$: 1.5, 1.9, 2.3 GeV² at fixed x_B : 0.36



- Two scenarios: higher-twist or next-to-leading order ٠
- Significant differences between pure DVCS and interference contributions.
- Sensitivity to gluons.
- Separation of HT and NLO effects requires scans across wider ranges of Q^2 and beam energy \rightarrow JLab 12
- First experimental extraction of all four helicity-conserving CFFs \succ

F. Georges et al. (JLab Hall A Collaboration), Phys. Rev. Lett. 128, 252002 (June 2022)

Nucleon Tomography in the Valence Domain with CLAS Data

VGG model

Fit of 8 CFFs at L.O. and L.T. (ImH, ReH, ImE, ReE, Im \tilde{H} , Re \tilde{H} , Im \tilde{E} , Re \tilde{E})

Better Constrained

- Wide kinematic coverage
- Carried out measurements with logitudinally polarized target as well

$$\overleftarrow{e} p \rightarrow e \gamma p$$

Valence quarks at centre \succ Sea quarks spread out \succ towards the periphery.





N. Hirlinger Saylor et al (CLAS) PRC 98 (2018) 045203

Simultaneous fit to BSA, TSA & DSA \rightarrow Information on relative distribution of quark momenta (PDFs) and quark helicity, $\Delta q(x)$

$$H(x, 0, 0) = q(x) \qquad \qquad \tilde{H}(x, 0, 0) = \Delta q(x) \\ \int_{-1}^{+1} H dx = F_1 \qquad \qquad \int_{-1}^{+1} \tilde{H} dx = G_A$$

Indication that axial charge is more concentrated than electromgnatic charge \succ



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Nucleon Tomography in the Gluon Domain at HERA



Nucleon Tomography of COMPASS Preliminary Result



 \succ The transverse-size evolution as a function of $x_B \rightarrow$ Expect at least 3 x_B bins from full 2016-17 data

GPDs and Pressure Distribution



- Repulsive pressure near center
 p(r=0) = 10³⁵ Pa
- **Confining** pressure at r > 0.6 fm

With all the data from beam spin sum and difference of CLAS at 6 GeV

$$\int xH(x,\xi,t)dx = M_2(t) + \frac{4}{5}\xi^2 d_1(t)$$

$$d_1(t) \propto \int rac{j_0(r\sqrt{-t})}{2t} p(r) \mathrm{d}^3 r$$

 $M_2(t)$: Mass/energy distribution inside the nucleon $d_1(t)$: Forces and pressure distribution

Bessel Integral relates $d_1(t)$ to the radial pressure p(r).

Atmospheric pressure: 10^5 Pa Pressure in the center of neutron stars $\leq 10^{34}$ Pa

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GPDs and Nucleon Spin

 $\ell d \rightarrow \ell n \gamma$ (p)

 $\Delta \sigma_{\rm LU}^{\rm sin\phi} = Im \left(F_{1n} \mathcal{H} + \xi (F_{1n} + F_{2n}) \widetilde{\mathcal{H}} + t/4m^2 F_{2n} \mathcal{E}\right)$

$\vec{\ell} \not p \rightarrow \ell \not p \gamma$

 $\Delta \sigma_{\rm UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi s)\cos\phi} = -t/4m^2 \operatorname{Im}(F_{2p} \mathcal{H} - F_{1p}\mathcal{E})$ $\Delta \sigma_{\rm LT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi s)\cos\phi} = -t/4m^2 \operatorname{Re}(F_{2p} \mathcal{H} - F_{1p}\mathcal{E})$

- First experimental constraint on E^q from neutron DVCS beam spin asymmetry at Hall A. M. Mazouz *et al*, PRL 99 (2007) 242501
- Provides constraints on orbital angular momentum of quarks

$$J_{q} = \frac{1}{2}\Sigma_{q} + L_{q} = \frac{1}{2}\int_{-1}^{1} dx \, x[H^{q}(x,\xi,0) + E^{q}(x,\xi,0)]$$

Model dependent extraction of J^u and J^d



GPDs and Nucleon Spin







-0.1

-0.2

0.0

Recent input from Result of neutron-DVCS at Hall A E08-025 (done on 2010)

with $E_e = 4.5 \& 5.5 \text{ GeV}$ on LD_2 target. <
 $Q^2 > = 1.75 \text{ GeV}^2$, < $x_B > = 0.36$

M. Benali et al., Nature Phys. 16(2), 191 (2020)



DVMP



Deeply Virtual Meson Production (DVMP)





4 chiral-even GPDs: helicity of parton unchanged

$$\mathbf{H}^q(x, \xi, t)$$
 $\mathbf{E}^q(x, \xi, t)$ $\widetilde{\mathbf{H}}^q(x, \xi, t)$ $\widetilde{\mathbf{E}}^q(x, \xi, t)$

+ 4 chiral-odd or transversity GPDs: helicity of parton changed

Η ^q (<i>x</i> , ξ, t)	$\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{T}}^{q}(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{\xi},\mathbf{t})$	$\overline{\mathbf{F}_{q}} = 2 \widetilde{\mathbf{H}}_{q} + \mathbf{F}_{q}$
$\widetilde{H}^{q}_{T}(x, \xi, t)$	$\widetilde{E}_{T}^q(x,\xi,t)$	

- > Universality of GPDs, quark flavor filter
- > Ability to probe the chiral-odd GPDs.
- In addition to nuclear structure, provide insights into reaction mechanism

What Can We Learn from Chiral-odd GPDs



- $\succ \overline{E}_T$ is related to the distortion of the polarized quark distribution in the transverse plane for an unpolarized nucleon
- \succ Chiral-odd GPDs H_T
 - Generalization of transversity distribution h₁(x)
 → related to the transverse spin structure
 - Tensor charge



DVMP Structure Functions with Longitudinally Polarized Beam & Target

$$\frac{2\pi}{\Gamma} \frac{d^4\sigma}{dQ^2 dx_B dt d\phi} = \sigma_T + \epsilon \sigma_L + \epsilon \sigma_{TT} \cos 2\phi + \sqrt{\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \sigma_{LT} \cos \phi \quad \Rightarrow \text{Unpolarized} \\ + P_b \sqrt{\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \sigma_{LT'} \sin \phi \quad \Rightarrow \text{Longitudinally polarized beam} \\ + P_{tg} \left(\sqrt{\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \sigma_{UL}^{\sin \phi} \sin \phi + \epsilon \sigma_{UL}^{\sin 2\phi} \sin 2\phi \right) \Rightarrow \text{Longitudinally polarized target} \\ + P_b P_{tg} \left(\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2} \sigma_{LL} + \sqrt{\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \sigma_{LL}^{\cos \phi} \cos \phi \right) \Rightarrow \text{Longitudinally polarized beam} \\ \text{and target}$$





 ϵ : degree of longitudinal polarization P_b : initial lepton polarization P_{tg} : initial target polarization

Fig: M.G. Alexeev et al. *Phys.Lett.B* 805 (2020)

Vector Meson Production at CLAS

Pilot analysis of exclusive ω-electroproduction published in EPJ A 24, 445 (2005), followed by analyses of φ, Phys. Rev. C 78, 025210 (2008), and ρ⁰, EPJ A 39, 5-31 (2009)

HERA/Adlof

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- ➤ Test two hypotheses → t-channel Regge trajectory exchange on the hadronic level and the handbag diagram approach on the partonic level
- ➢ Regge Model favored by data in CLAS kinematics.





GPDs with Vector Meson Production



GK Model by Goloskokov, Kroll, constrained by DVMP at small x_B (or large W)

- leading-twist longitudinal $\gamma_l^* p \rightarrow M p$ and transv. polar. $\gamma_T^* p \rightarrow M p$
- quark and gluon contributions (GPDs H, E, H_T) and beyond leading twist

Vector Meson Production: Spin Density Matrix Elements



Experimental angular distributions

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\phi \ d\Theta \ dQ^2 \ dx_B \ dt} = \Gamma(Q^2, x_B, E) \frac{1}{2\pi} \left\{ \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} \right\} \mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\Phi, \phi, \cos\Theta)$$
$$\mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\Phi, \phi, \cos\Theta) = \mathcal{W}^U(\Phi, \phi, \cos\Theta) + P_b \mathcal{W}^L(\Phi, \phi, \cos\Theta)$$

15 unpolarized SDMEs in \mathcal{W}^U and 8 polarized in \mathcal{W}^L

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{W}^{U}(\Phi,\phi,\cos\Theta) &= \frac{3}{8\pi^{2}} \Bigg[\frac{1}{2} (1-r_{00}^{04}) + \frac{1}{2} (3r_{00}^{04}-1)\cos^{2}\Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^{04}\}\sin 2\Theta\cos\phi - r_{1-1}^{04}\sin^{2}\Theta\cos2\phi \right] \\ &-\epsilon\cos 2\Phi \Big(r_{11}^{1}\sin^{2}\Theta + r_{00}^{1}\cos^{2}\Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^{1}\}\sin 2\Theta\cos\phi - r_{1-1}^{1}\sin^{2}\Theta\cos2\phi \Big) \\ &-\epsilon\sin 2\Phi \Big(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^{2}\}\sin 2\Theta\sin\phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^{2}\}\sin^{2}\Theta\sin2\phi \Big) \\ &+ \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)}\cos\Phi \Big(r_{11}^{5}\sin^{2}\Theta + r_{00}^{5}\cos^{2}\Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^{5}\}\sin 2\Theta\cos\phi - r_{1-1}^{5}\sin^{2}\Theta\cos2\phi \Big) \\ &+ \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)}\sin\Phi \Big(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^{6}\}\sin 2\Theta\sin\phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^{6}\}\sin^{2}\Theta\sin2\phi \Big) \\ &+ \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)}\sin\Phi \Big(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^{3}\}\sin 2\Theta\sin\phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^{3}\}\sin^{2}\Theta\sin2\phi \Big) \\ &+ \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)}\cos\Phi \Big(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^{7}\}\sin 2\Theta\sin\phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^{7}\}\sin^{2}\Theta\sin2\phi \Big) \\ &+ \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)}\cos\Phi \Big(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^{7}\}\sin2\Theta\sin\phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^{7}\}\sin^{2}\Theta\sin2\phi \Big) \\ &+ \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)}\sin\Phi \Big(r_{11}^{8}\sin^{2}\Theta + r_{00}^{8}\cos^{2}\Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^{8}\}\sin2\Theta\cos\phi - r_{1-1}^{8}\sin^{2}\Theta\cos2\phi \Big) \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

Vector Meson Production: Spin Density Matrix Elements



<u>2012 COMPASS Exclusive ω Prod. On Unpolarized Proton</u>



2012 COMPASS Exclusive ρ^0 Prod. On Unpolarized Proton



Exclusive π^0 Production

$$\ell \mathbf{p} \rightarrow \ell \pi^{0} \mathbf{p} \qquad \frac{d^{4}\sigma}{dQ^{2}dx_{B}dtd\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi}\Gamma_{\gamma}(Q^{2}, x_{B}, E) \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d\sigma_{T}}{dt} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_{L}}{dt} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)}\frac{d\sigma_{TL}}{dt}\cos(\phi) \\ +\epsilon \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt}\cos(2\phi) + h\sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)}\frac{d\sigma_{TL'}}{dt}\sin(\phi) \end{bmatrix}$$



• Significant transverse contribution:

Coupling between chiral-odd (quark helicity flip) GPDs to the twist-3 pion amplitude.

- S. V. Goloskokov and P. Kroll, Eur. Phys. J. C65:137 (2010)
- ---- G. R. Goldstein, J. O. Hernandez, S. Liuti, Phys. Rev. D84 (2011)

GPDs and Hard Exclusive π^0 Production



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GPDs and Hard Exclusive π^0 Production



Timelike Compton Scattering (TCS)

- First ever Timelike Compton Scattering Measurement at CLAS Phys. Rev. Lett. 127, 262501 (2021)
- → Photon polarization asymmetry $A_{\odot U} \sim sin\phi \cdot \text{Im}\widetilde{M}^{--} \rightarrow \text{GPD}$ universality
- → Forward backward asymmetry $A_{FB} \sim cos\phi \cdot \text{Re}\widetilde{M}^{--} \rightarrow \text{Access D-term}$

$$\tilde{M}^{--} = \left[F_1 \mathcal{H} - \xi (F_1 + F_2) \tilde{\mathcal{H}} - \frac{t}{4m_p^2} F_2 \mathcal{E} \right]$$





Global Analysis



> Very little is known for chiral-odd GPDs as well.

>More experimental inputs required!

- Various processes and precise data mapping, with high granularity and phase space wider than what has been covered, are required to fully constrain the entire set of GPDs

Possibilities at sPHENIX?

DVCS & Ultraperipheral Collisions



- As discussed already, DVCS has been the workhorse for GPD extraction from lepton beams.
- > Can the virtual photon come from hadron (H)?



Yes.

- ➢ For large Q² and small impact parameter, hadronic QCD interaction overshadows DVCS.
- Ultraperipheral collisions (UPC): In general, to ensure no (colorful) QCD interaction, have b > R₁+R₂ (around few fm)
- ➤ Large impact parameter → small Q^2

DVCS & Ultraperipheral Collisions



> Theoretical understanding/predictions in the sPHENIX kinematics? Other possible channels?

Final Words



GPD study can provide interesting insights into the nucleon properties. There have been great efforts devoted but we need more data. Although my gut feeling is that it would be quite difficult (if possible), it would be very nice to have inputs from sPHENIX as well.