





AN UPDATE ON THE ELECTROMAGNETIC TRANSITION FORM FACTOR OF THE ETA^I MESON WITH G12 AND CLAS12

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Transition Form Factors

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 $V(\rho, \omega, \phi)$



 $P(\pi^0,\eta,\eta')$

- In the VMD model the transition form factors provides insight into the meson charge radius, $\!\langle r \rangle\!$
- For pseudoscalar mesons η and $\eta',$ ratio of form factors provides information on mixing angle.
- For vector meson ω there currently exist discrepancy in the measurement of the form factor with VMD model.
- The knowledge of the η form factor is also needed for the interpretation of the g-2 experiment.
- g12 experiment collected data samples of the pe⁺e⁻X reaction using Cherenkov Counters and an Electromagnetic Calorimeter





Transition Form Factors



$$\frac{d\Gamma_{P\to l^+l^-\gamma}}{dq^2 d\Gamma_{P\to\gamma\gamma}} = \frac{2\alpha}{3\pi q^2} \left(1 - \frac{q^2}{m_P^2}\right)^3 \left(1 - \frac{4m_l^2}{q^2}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{2m_l^2}{q^2}\right)|_{Q.E.D} \langle \mathbf{r} \rangle = \left.\frac{dF}{dq^2}\right|_{q^2=0} \\ \frac{d\Gamma_{P_{P\to l^+l^-\gamma}}}{dq^2 d\Gamma_{P_{P\to\gamma\gamma}}}|_{\text{measured}} = \frac{d\Gamma_{P_{P\to l^+l^-\gamma}}}{dq^2 \Gamma_{P\to\gamma\gamma}}|_{Q.E.D} \left|F(q^2)\right|^2$$



$\eta' \rightarrow \gamma e + e - Branching Ratio$





BESIII $\Gamma(\eta' \rightarrow \gamma e + e^{-})/\Gamma(\eta' \rightarrow \gamma \gamma)$ (2.13±0.09(stat.)±0.07(sys.))×10-2 from 864 events [1]

CLAS preliminary BR consistent with BESIII from 89 events

[1]BESIII, M. Ablikim et al., Phys.Rev. D92 (2015) 012001

Current status of η' charge radius



Current BESIII and CLAS data sets do not have enough statistics to determine which
theoretical model fits the $\eta' \rightarrow$ charge radius

	$\langle \mathrm{r} \rangle$	Number of events
BESIII (η′→γe+e−)	1.60 ± 0.17(stat) ± 0.08(sys) GeV ^{-2 [1]}	894
CELLO (η′→γμ+μ−)	1.7 ± 0.4 GeV ⁻² ^[2]	75
CLAS (η′→γe+e−)	TBD	89

Dispersion	1.53 ^{+0.15} -0.08 GeV ⁻²	
ChPT	1.6 GeV ⁻²	
VMD	1.45 GeV ⁻²	

[1]BESIII, M. Ablikim et al., Phys.Rev. D92 (2015) 012001 [2]R. I. Dzhelyadi et al., Phys. Lett. B 88, 379 (1979)

Future CLAS e+e- pair physics



Electromagnetic structure of mesons and baryons. Currently we are benchmarking the $\eta' \rightarrow \gamma e+e-$ decay. Here is a list of initial physics to be studied

Meson	Baryon
η′→γe+e -	(∆→Ne+e−)
$\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 e + e^-$	Λ→ne+e− Λ(1520)→Λe+e−
Ф→ηе+е-	
$J/\psi \rightarrow \pi^0 e + e -$	$\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda e + e - \Sigma^+ \rightarrow pe + e -$

CLAS $\xi(e^+e^-)/\xi(\pi+\pi-)$ can be range $10^5 - 10^{11}$ CLAS e^+e^- efficiency (ϵ) range 1 - 10^{-2}

Future CLAS η' Measurement



 $M(e^+e^-\gamma)[GeV]$

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Fully Exclusive $\gamma p \rightarrow \eta' p \rightarrow \gamma e + e - p$

Inclusive $\gamma p \rightarrow \eta'(p) \rightarrow \gamma e + e^{-}(p)$

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200

100

0.80

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Future CLAS η' Acceptance









CLAS η^{\prime} Rates at low Q^2



Exclusive $\gamma p \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma p$



Within 100 days of beam-time CLAS can measure the η^{\prime} transition form factor with a statistical uncertainty ~1%

CLAS η' Rates with electroproduction







Within 100 days of beam-time CLAS can measure the η ' transition form factor with a statistical uncertainty ~.1%

To Do



- Use GEMC reconstruction with coatjava with electroproduction
 - HTCC + EC
- Trigger studies
- Finish Φ , Δ , Σ^0 simulations
- Write proposal

Summary



- Transition form factors of pseudoscalar and vector mesons can be measured with CLAS
- Future CLAS data will provide data sets with statistics to accurately measure transition form factors and also branching ratio of e+e- decays.
 - Precision of transition form factor measurement in CLAS will determine validity of theoretical models.





BACKUP START HERE

FUTURE CLAS η' MEASUREMENT

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Continous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility (CEBAF) at 12 GeV



Aerial View

CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer (CLAS)





