Status and Results From Recent CLAS 6 DVCS Experiments

Carrying coals to Newcastle

1996 Introduction of GPD formalism for exclusive reactions

Lots of experimental and theoretical activity Spate of theory articles:

Ji, Radyushkin, Mueller, Burkardt, VGG

Experimental collaborations: Hermes and Jlab

DVCS in some ways most attractive at JLab kinematics

- γ perturbative.
- Sensitive to GPD H charge distribution.

But, BH dominates cross sections. Need polarization variables





1996 Introduction of GPD – handbag formalism for exclusive reactions

Many experiments conducted at Jlab for γ, π, η, ϕ final states



Focus on DVCS. Sensitive to GPD H – charge distribution.

But, very large Bethe-Heitler interference



Experiments Performed at CLAS 6

1. Unpolarized cross section:

$$\sigma_{\mathrm{unp}} \propto |\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{BH}}|^2 + 2\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{BH}} \frac{Re(\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{DVCS}})}{|\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{DVCS}}|^2}$$

2. Polarization measurements, either beam or target, eliminate most of $|\mathcal{M}_{\rm BH}|^2$

$$\Delta \sigma_{\rm pol} = \sigma_+ - \sigma_- \sim 2\mathcal{M}_{\rm BH} \operatorname{Im}(\mathcal{M}_{\rm DVCS})$$

3. Asymmetry measurements A $\propto \Delta\sigma_{pol}/\sigma_{unp}$

 $(\mathsf{A}_{\mathsf{U}\mathsf{L}}\ , \mathsf{A}_{\mathsf{L}\mathsf{U}}\ , \mathsf{A}_{\mathsf{L}\mathsf{L}}\)$

 A_{LU} least difficult. First experiments measured A_{UL} .

Experiments do not directly measure GPDs but **Compton Form Factors**

GPDs:	$F = H, \widetilde{H}, E, \widetilde{E}$	$F_T = H_T, \widetilde{H_T}, E_T, \widetilde{E_T}$
Form Factors:	\mathcal{F} = $\mathcal{H}, \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}, \mathcal{E}, \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}$	\mathcal{F}_{T} = \mathcal{H}_{T} , $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}_{T}}$, \mathcal{E}_{T} , $\widetilde{\mathcal{E}_{T}}$
	DVCS	DVMP π, η

$$\mathcal{F} \propto \int \mathrm{d}x F(\mathbf{x},\xi,t) \left[\frac{1}{\mathbf{x}-\xi+\mathrm{i}\varepsilon} + \frac{1}{\mathbf{x}+\xi+\mathrm{i}\varepsilon} \right]$$
$$Re\mathcal{F} \propto P \int \mathrm{d}x F(\mathbf{x},\xi,t) \left[\frac{1}{\mathbf{x}-\varepsilon} + \frac{1}{\mathbf{x}+\mathrm{i}\varepsilon} \right]$$
$$\mathrm{Im}\mathcal{F} = -\pi [F(\xi,\xi,t) + F(-\xi,\xi,t)]$$

DVCS H, \widetilde{H}

Different observables sensitive to different CFFs

	Sensitivity
$\sigma_{unp} = \sigma^{\rightarrow} + \sigma^{\leftarrow}$	$\propto {\cal H}_{Re}$
$\sigma_{pol} = \sigma^{\rightarrow} - \sigma^{\leftarrow}$	$\propto {\cal H}_{Im}$
\mathcal{A}_C	$\propto {\cal H}_{Re}$
\mathcal{A}_{LU}	$\propto {\cal H}_{Im}$
\mathcal{A}_{UL}	$\propto {\cal H}_{Im}, ilde{{\cal H}}_{Im}$
\mathcal{A}_{LL}	$\propto {\cal H}_{Re}, { ilde {\cal H}}_{Re}$

First CLAS DVCS experiments

Beam Spin Asymmetry

S. Stepanyan et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 87, 182002 (2001)



Target Spin Asymmetry

S. Chen et al. , Phys. Rev. Lett. 97, 072002 (2006).

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CLAS 6 GeV large kinematic acceptance experiments

CLAS 6 GeV - Run 2005 - A_{LU} FX Girod et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 162002 (2008).

Beam spin asymmetries. Integrated over all t (Thesis FX Girod - 2006)



Expansion: $A = \sum a_n \sin(n\phi)$

Leading order twist 2:

$$A = \frac{\alpha \sin \phi}{1 + \beta \cos \phi}$$

"Whether integrated in t or in each t -bin, the ϕ - distributions were always found to be compatible with leading-twist dominance"

First CLAS 6 GeV - Run 2005 ALU

FX Girod et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 162002 (2008).

$$A_{UL} = \frac{\alpha(t)\sin\phi}{1+\beta\cos\phi}$$

---- Regge (Laget) ---- GPD Twist-3 ----- GPD Twist-2

Good theory fits* show robust theory. (but variations among models?)

*M. Guidal, M. V. Polyakov, A. V. Radyushkin, and M. Vanderhaeghen, Phys. Rev. D 72, 054013 (2005).



Polarized beam and target - 2009

Beam, Target and Double beam/target asymmetry

Different geometry and beam conditions

A_{UL} - E. Seder et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 032001 (2015)

Full Article, A_{UL} , A_{LU} , A_{LL} – S. Pisano et al, Phys.Rev. D91 (2015)



Compare target spin asymmetry with beam spin asymmetry



TSA Sensitive to ${\mathcal H} \ and \ {\widetilde {\mathcal H}}$

100 200 300 **\$\overline{\phi(deg)}\$**

BSA Sensitive to ${\mathcal H}$

Axial charge radius is smaller than charge radius.

Agrees with axial form factor measurements involving π^0 and $\nu.$



Agreement on BH dominance – but $A_{\rm LL}$ data cannot constrain DVCS

Pisano et al

Extraction of \mathcal{H}_{IM} and $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{IM}$







CFF extracted assuming only \mathcal{H} and $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}$.

 \Rightarrow Increase of the partonic content of the nucleon as lower $\chi_{\rm B}$

Last result: DVCS2 run 2008-2009

Theses, B. Guegan and N. Saylor

Final edits of PR article in progress







Comparison between DVCS2 and DVCS1

- beam energy: 5.88 vs 5.75
- target length: 1.5 vs 4 cm
- target position: 3 cm
- solenoid/target offset

FX Girod: careful studies and extrapolate expected variations in σ

Ratio of cross section differences and errors added in quadrature



Major issue for cross section measurements -elastic normalization

Example of analysis of Jlab DVCS data and Proton Tomography

R. Dupre, M. Guidal, S. Niccolai, M. Vanderhaeghen Eur.Phys.J. A53 (2017) no.8, 171

arXiv: 1704.07330v1 [hep-ph]

Fitting procedures based on VGG and developed over the years in various publications.



 $H_{\mathrm{Im}}(\xi, \mathbf{t}) \equiv H_{+}(\xi, \xi, \mathbf{t}),$

 $H_{+}(\xi,\xi,t)=H^{q}(x,\xi,t)-H^{q}(-x,\xi,t)$

$$B \rightarrow \left< b_{\perp}^2 \right>$$

Relate *B* to the number density of quarks of quarks with longitudinal momentum fraction *x* at a given transverse distance b_{\perp}





Outlook for CLAS 12:

See F-X Girod talk in March 2017 Collaboration meeting



Next step – publish DVCS2 data

Run experiments at 12 GeV during first run period