Single pion photoproduction Wide Angle regime: WAPP

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The status of the field, a few slides, some from 1950s+

Pion Production by Inelastic Scattering of Electrons in Hydrogen*

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The ratios of the yield of electron-induced to photon-induced pion processes have been measured at an incident energy of 600 Mev. Measurements have been made at energies of 60 and 170 Mev for positive pions.





FIG. 5. Excitation function for 170-Mev pions from hydrogen. pion energy uncertainty is estimated from the curve to be ± 15 Mev.

FIG. 3. Meson detection geometry.

Measurements of exclusive photoproduction processes at large values of t and u from 4 to 7.5 GeV*

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Exclusive photoproduction cross sections have been measured for the processes $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ n$, $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 p$, $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^- \Delta^{++}$, $\gamma p \rightarrow \rho^0 p$, $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda$, and $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Sigma^0$ at large t and u values at several energies for each process between 4 and 7.5 GeV. These measurements taken together with past data taken at small values of t and u provide complete angular distributions. The data show the usual small t and u peaks and a central region in which the cross section decreases approximately as s^{-7} . The results are discussed within the context of parton or constituent models.



FIG. 1. Plan view of experimental layout.



FIG. 6. $s^7 d\sigma/dt$ versus $\cos\theta^*$ for the reaction $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ n$. The solid line shows the empirical function $(1-z)^{-5}(1+z)^{-4}$ where $(z = \cos\theta^*)$, which is an empirical fit to the angular distribution.



FIG. 9. $s^7 d\sigma/dt$ versus $\cos\theta^*$ for the reaction $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 p$.



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FIG. 20. 90° c.m. values of $d\sigma/dt$ versus s for the process $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ n$ from several experiments from $E_{\gamma} = 700$ MeV to $E_{\gamma} = 7.5$ GeV. The solid line shows the function s^{-7} for reference.

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Cross section measurements of charged pion photoproduction in hydrogen and deuterium from 1.1 to 5.5 GeV

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The differential cross sections for the $\gamma n \to \pi^- p$ and the $\gamma p \to \pi^+ n$ processes were measured at Jefferson Lab. The photon energies ranged from 1.1 to 5.5 GeV, corresponding to center-of-mass energies from 1.7 to 3.4 GeV. The pion center-of-mass angles varied from 50° to 110°. The π^- and π^+ photoproduction data both exhibit a global scaling behavior at high energies and high transverse momenta, consistent with the constituent counting rule prediction and the existing π^+ data. The data suggest possible substructure of the scaling behavior, which might be oscillations around the scaling value. The data show an enhancement in the scaled cross section at center-of-mass energy near 2.2 GeV. The differential cross section ratios $[d\sigma/dt(\gamma n \to \pi^- p)/d\sigma/dt(\gamma p \to \pi^+ n)]$ at high energies and high transverse momenta can be described by calculations based on one-hard-gluon-exchange diagrams.

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Unification of nucleon structure within GPDs



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Signatures of the handbag mechanism in wide-angle photoproduction of pseudoscalar mesons

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$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma(\gamma n \to \pi^- p)}{\mathrm{d}\sigma(\gamma p \to \pi^+ n)} = \left(\frac{e_u s + e_d u}{e_u u + e_d s}\right)^2$$

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The GPDs model predicts too small cross section

Exclusive photoproduction of π^0 up to large values of Mandelstam variables s, t, and u with CLAS



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What is the mechanism of scaling?

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participating in the reaction. If the photon is assumed to be one elementary field, then the prediction for meson photoproduction is

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \sim \frac{1}{s^7} f(\cos\theta^*) \, .$$

It will be shown that the results of the present experiment are consistent with these predictions in the large-c.m.-angle region.

Fig. 1. The handbag diagram for photo- and electroproduction of mesons. The large blob represents a baryon GPD, while the small one stands for meson photo- and electroproduction off partons. The momenta of the various particles are indicated

FIG. 20. 90° c.m. values of $d\sigma/dt$ versus s for the process $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ n$ from several experiments from $E_{\gamma} = 700$ MeV to $E_{\gamma} = 7.5$ GeV. The solid line shows the function s^{-7} for reference.

Exclusive photon-proton reaction: WACS results are in reasonable agreement with GPDs

• Results strongly favour leading quark mechanism (x = 1).

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Need to do the polarization test of a handbag mechanism for exclusive pion production

• A suggestion: A_{LL} vs. K_{LL} , a prediction in the pion photo production, an experiment needs 1% accuracy for A_{LL}

Selection	$K_{\scriptscriptstyle m LL}$	$K_{\scriptscriptstyle m LS}$
$\mathrm{WACS}_{\mathrm{this\ experiment}}$	$0.645 {\pm} 0.059 {\pm} 0.048$	$-0.089 \pm 0.059 \pm 0.040$
$\mathrm{WACS}_{\mathrm{E99-114}}$	$0.678 {\pm} 0.083 {\pm} 0.04$	$0.114{\pm}0.078{\pm}0.04$
$\operatorname{Pion}_{_{\operatorname{this}\operatorname{experiment}}}$	$-0.082{\pm}0.007$	$-0.296{\pm}0.007$
$\operatorname{Pion}_{E99-114}$	$0.532{\pm}0.006$	$0.480{\pm}0.006$

A first comment from P. Kroll:

Twist-3 would be important for K_{LL} - A_{LL} in the pion photo-production process

Twist-3 contributions to wide-angle photoproduction of pions

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We investigate wide-angle π^0 photoproduction within the handbag approach to twist-3 accuracy. In contrast to earlier work both the 2-particle as well as the 3-particle twist-3 contributions are taken into account. It is shown that both are needed for consistent results that respect gauge invariance and crossing properties. The numerical studies reveal the dominance of the twist-3 contribution. With it fair agreement with the recent CLAS measurement of the π^0 cross section is obtained. We briefly comment also on wide-angle photoproduction of other pseudoscalar mesons.

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FIG. 3. Results for the cross section of π^0 photoproduction versus the cosine of the c.m.s. scattering angle, θ . The solid (dashed, dotted) curves represent our results at s = 11.06(20, 9) GeV². The data at s = 11.06 GeV² are taken from CLAS [34]. The cross sections are multiplied by s^7 , and the theoretical results are only shown for -t and -u larger than 2.5 GeV².

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FIG. 4. Predictions for spin observables of π^0 photoproduction at $s = 11.06 \text{ GeV}^2$. The parametric uncertainty is $\simeq 15\%$ near 90 deg.

In Fig. 4 we show predictions on the spin-dependent observables for π^0 photoproduction. One sees that A_{LL} and K_{LL} are large in absolute value and almost mirror symmetrical. The observables A_{LS} and K_{LS} are small in

How to do such an experiment?

A good case for pi- from a neutron

ALL from ${}^{3}\vec{He}(e, e'\pi^{-}p)epp$

KLL from $D(e, e'\pi^- \vec{p})ep$

SBS and BB as in the GEn experiment (a two-arm detector)

Spin effects in wide-angle photoproduction of negatively charged pions

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The spin observables for $\gamma n \to \pi^- p$ are evaluated with twist-2 and the complete twist-3 contributions as described in [1] for π^0 photoproduction. The results are shown in the plot. The subprocess amplitudes from [1] are generalized to the case of charged pions. Its 2-particle twist-3 part were already given in [2]. The twist-2 and twist-3 pion wave functions are the same as those used in [1]. The flavor form factors are also the same as in [1] but they now contribute to π^- -production in the combination

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is only seen for small -u. For small -t, on the other hand, one rather sees the trend to the twist-2 behavior

$$A_{LL} = K_{LL} \tag{3}$$

with small absolute values.

Figure 1: Predictions for spin observables of π^- photoproduction at $s = 15 \text{ GeV}^2$. Predictions are only shown for -t and -u larger than 2.5 GeV².

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Layout for the proposed experiments

The pi-0 ALL experiment - E12-17-009

Figure 2: Subtraction of background events for one bin in each kinematic setting (the distributions of L1 and S1 will be very similar). The WACS events are shown in red, while the background is shown in blue.

Polarization components in π^0 photoproduction at photon energies up to 5.6 GeV

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Unification within GPDs

