# Double Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering at Jefferson Lab Hall A with SoLID

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PARTONIC STRUCTURE OF THE HADRONS

### Hard Exclusive Compton-like reactions and Double Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering



 $\gamma$  (\*) N  $\rightarrow$   $\gamma$ '(\*) N'

Leading order / leading twist generic handbag diagram

**DVCS**: final photon is real, incoming is spacelike (Spacelike Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering)

**TCS**: incoming is real, final is timelike (Timelike Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering)

**DDVCS**: incoming is spacelike, outgoing is timelike Double Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering

Other: multi-photons, photon+meson, ...

Parameterized by GPDs Generalized Parton Distributions

Depend on x, xi, t

GPDs at xi=0 for tomographic interpretations: need deconvolution

### Generalized Parton Distributions from CFF fits (with DVCS or TCS)



Extracted at  $\xi$  (skewness // momentum) and t (momentum transfer <sup>2</sup>) from experimental data [can't access x]



Propagator: only access "diagonal" part |x|=xi

### **Generalized Parton Distributions from CFF fits (with DDVCS)**



unique access to ERBL region

Deconvolution x, xi

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# Measuring DDVCS, observables and projections



### $e P \rightarrow e' P' \mu + \mu$ -

### Need to measure a muon pair

(antisymetrization, possibility to get the kinematics of 2 forward leptons)

7-independent variables for cross section. Choice:  $E_e$ ,  $\xi$  (or  $x_{bj}$ ), t, Q<sup>2</sup>, Q<sup>2</sup>,  $\Phi_L$ ,  $\Phi_{CM}$ ,  $\theta_{CM}$ 

# **Interference with Bethe-Heitler**



BH1: understood from DVCS+BH ; BH2: understood from TCS+BH ("peaks" in thetaCM)

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# **Definition of the angles**







### **DDVCS +BH Beam Spin Asymmetry**



purely coming from interference between BH(1+2)\*DDVCS asymmetries are sizeable.

Change of sign to be observed in different kinematic regions

Imaginary part of amplitude

BH cancels, comes from interference. Sizeable asymmetry and counts thanks to interference

### **Evolution of the beam spin asymmetry**

Sign change in BSA and interplay "spacelike" and "timelike" regions



•Probing GPDs at  $x \neq \xi \rightarrow$  tomographic interpretations....

- Expectation of sign change for observables sensitive to Im (DDVCS) when moving from « spacelike » to « timelike » region
- $\rightarrow$  this reaction is unique for probing effects between these 2 regions.

### **Cross sections versus angles**



Due to strong angular dependence in 3 angles:

CFFs: 2D fits in  $\varphi_{CM}$ ,  $\varphi_{LH}$ , as a function of  $\xi$ ,  $\xi'$ , t only Im( $\mathcal{H}$ ) ( $\xi'$ ,  $\xi$ , t) will be possible to extract with unpolarized cross section and beam asym.



----- theta=30°

theta=130<sup>°</sup>

350

phi

theta=70° theta=90° theta=110°

300

250

### Angular behavior and "effective" observables



# Angular correlations (will be implemented as for TCS)



- BH peaks when e- or e+ collinear to incoming γ (from BH II)
- strong kinematic dependence at JLab energy
- one diagram becomes largely dominant / very asymmetric decays
  - Momentum and  $\boldsymbol{\theta}_{_{lab}} \, cuts$  help already
  - Q<sup>2</sup>, Q<sup>2</sup>, xb, t dependent angular cut for "effective" observables

BH peaks: lepton 1 to beam direction, other almost "at rest" ⇒ momentum threshold and geometrical acceptance mostly prevent for too high rates and singularitie regions. Angular + momentum acceptance is important



- -- cut at 30°; 150°
- -- acceptance cut

not included: cut of some bins next to singularities if not experimentaly "solvable" due to limited statistics (example 2 orders of magnitude increase of  $\sigma$ within a bin)

### SoLID Setup

Using similar setup as J/psi experiment E12-12-006, with additional muon detector



Boër, Camsonne, Voutier, Zhao, et al. LOI submitted 2023

# Forward muon detector (proposed addition)

3 layer iron to block charged pions, 3 layer straw tubes for tracking, 2 layer scintillators for trigger



Example of straw tube chambers similar to Seaquest experiment

# **Iron Shielding: from CLEO**

Reuse 6 of 8 CLEO octagon outer layer iron Each one is about 36x254x533cm No problem with space Field (<10G),force(<1N),torque(<2Nm) are small





## Software

- Projections from VGG model
- Effective observables calculated with VGG model for GPDs and DEEPGen generator
- Angular studies with DEEPGen
- Acceptance studies with Grape
- Work in progress to add EPIC, will be able to compare models

### Collaborators / Hardware R&D

Main collaborators: JLab, IJCLab, Duke, Virginia Tech, Rutgers

- muon detector first tests to be done at soon, all groups work together to develop a realistic experiment,

- exploring various options for muon detector
- also exploring shorter scale experiment( in Hall C, not shown in this talk)

# **SoLID Acceptance studies**

BH generator grape-dilepton

- Muon mom>2GeV is accepted
- · Scattered e- and both muons are detected
- recoil proton is not required, but some can still be detected by time of flight





# **Exclusivity and background rejection**



high rate of pion rejection after muon detector

fine enough resolution to select DDVCS+BH

# Single pion rates at muon detector

- Start from "evgen\_bggen" generator based on resonance fit and pythia
- go through full SoLID simulation for pion blocking and muon decay including both primary and secondary particles
- pi-/pi+ rate 9khz, mu-/mu+ rate 26khz, total 70khz
- Two charge particle coincidence rate 70e3\*70e3\*100ns<1khz</li>



Figure 22: Single particles rate of pion and muon from pion decay at the back of forward angle muon detector. They include both pions directly from target and all secondaries and muons from their decay.

### Two pion exclusive background count/50MeV 35000 30000 25000 BH 20000 15000 10000 5000 8 1 1.5 2 2.5 3 3.5 0.5 I'l InvM (GeV) count/50MeV count/50MeV 450 45 No decay 400E decay pi-350Ē 35 30 300 250Ē 200Ē 150E 15 100Ē 50Ē 땅 1.5 2 2.5 3 3.5 4 1.5 2 2.5 3 3.5 4 0.5 1 0.5 IT InvM (GeV) If InvM (GeV) count/50MeV count/50MeV 4500 450 decay pi+ decay both 4000E 400 3500 350 3000E 300Ē 250 2500E 2000 150 1500E 100 1000E 500E 8 땅 3.5 4 3.5 1.5 3 2 2.5 0.5 1.5 IT InvM (GeV) If InvM (GeV)

Figure 23: From left to right and top to bottom, the counts from the two pion exclusive channel contamination are shown in 4 cases, neither pion decay, negative pion decays into muon, positive pion decays into muon, and both pions decay.

- Start from "twopeg" generator • based on CLAS data fit and extrapolation to 11GeV beam kinematics
- go through full SoLID simulation • for pion blocking and muon decay including primary particles only
- Left with counts about 10% of . BH counts, mainly from both pions decay into muons.
- Tracking with vertex cut could • reduce it further

### SUMMARY

- Cross section and beam spin asymmetry for DDVCS+BH
- Enable extration of CFF and deconvolution x, xi for tomographic interpretations
- LOI 2023 following earlier work (first LOI) in 2015
- Theory progress in recent years (Shenying Zhao et al., 2021 / see Viktor's talk today)
- R&D and planned tests with realistic muon detectors
- considering a short term experiment too in Hall C, complementary