Exclusive photoproduction of lepton pairs with CLAS12

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Two main physics reactions

Photoproduction of lepton pairs



TCS

• TCS is an inverse to DVCS process



$$\frac{d^4 \sigma_{\text{INT}}}{dQ'^2 \, dt d\Omega} = A \frac{1 + \cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta} \times \left[\cos \phi \, \text{Re} \tilde{M}^{--} - \nu \sin \phi \, \text{Im} \, \tilde{M}^{--} \right]$$
$$\tilde{M}^{--} \sim \left[F_1 \mathcal{H}_1 - \eta (F_1 + F_2) \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_1 - \frac{t}{4M^2} F_2 \mathcal{E}_1 \right]$$

 $A_{\rm FB}(\theta,\phi) = \frac{d\sigma(\theta,\phi) - d\sigma(180^{\circ} - \theta, 180^{\circ} + \phi)}{d\sigma(\theta,\phi) + d\sigma(180^{\circ} - \theta, 180^{\circ} + \phi)}$

Forward-Backward asymmetry projects out the cosine moment of the interference term and hence the Re. Part of M⁻⁻.

 $A_{\odot U} = \frac{\sigma_{LH} - \sigma_{RH}}{\sigma_{LH} + \sigma_{RH}} \qquad \text{Pol}$

Polarization asymmetry projects out the sin moment of the interference term and hence the Im. part of M⁻⁻.

Photoproduction of J/ψ near the threshold

- Cross-section measurement near the threshold gives important insight of the production mechanism
- Access to the gluonic GPDs of the nucleon
- Trace anomaly. Decomposition of the proton mass
- Mass radius of the proton
- Access Gravitational Form factors (or EMT form factors)



• Comparing J/ψ cross-sections on the proton and neutron can shed more light on the production mechanism, if only gluon exchange, cross sections should be identical.





List of experiments and spokespersons

- E12-12-001 Timelike Compton Scattering and J/psi photoproduction on the proton in e⁺e⁻ pair production with CLAS12 at 11 GeV
 - P. Nadel-Turonski, M. Guidal, T. Horn, R. Paremuzyan, S. Stepanyan

- E12-12-001A Near threshold J/psi photoproduction and study of LHCb pentaquarks with CLAS12
 - S. Stepanyan, M. Battaglieri, A. Celentano, R. De Vita, V. Kubarovsky

- E12-11-003B Study of J/psi Photoproduction off the Deuteron
 - Y. Ilieva, V. Kubarovsky, B. McKinnon, P. Nadel-Turonski, S. Stepanyan, Z. Zhao

RG-B

List any new idea of CAA

Analysis by Kayieigh Gates, Vorking on the preparation for CAA

TCS on linearly polarized target



List of PhD students and subject of thesis topic completed and in progress

Pierre Chatagnon	Nucleon Structure studies with CLAS12 at Jefferson Lab: Timelike Compton Scattering and the Central Neutron Detector (October 2020)	
Joseph Newton	J/ψ Photoproduction Near Threshold with CLAS12 (August 2021)	
Richard Tyson	J/ψ Near Threshold Photoproduction at CLAS12 (August 2023)	RG-B
Davit Martiryan	Study of J/Ψ photoproduction using CLAS12 detector (January 2022)	
Mariana Tenorio Pita	J/ψ Production off a Proton Target at CLAS12 (In progress)	
Kayleigh Gates	Timelike Compton Scattering on linearly polarized target with CLAS12 (in progress)	RG-C

Analyses based on pass1 data

Analysis note:

- Title: "Timelike Compton Scattering with CLAS12" •
- Lead authors: P. Chatagnon, S. Nicollai and S. Stepanyan •
- Data set: F18 Inbending •
- Observables: Forward backward asymmetry and polarization asymmetry •

Publication:

- Title: "First-time observation of Timelike Compton Scattering", based on the above analysis note •
- Journal: Phys. Rev. Lett. 127 (2021) 26, 262501. •



No plans to release another analysis based on pass1 data.

Photoproduction with electron beam

Flux for 5cm LH2 target

eve1

66867

9.271

Entries

Mean

<u>Common in TCS and J/Ψ analyses.</u>

Two photon sources:

Real photons + Virtual photons Electroproduction cross-section can be expressed as:



0.0014



Positron identification w/ Al

In addition to EB PID, positrons need additional cleaning. In pass1, Root TMVA package was used to clean pion pi+ contamination.



M. Tenorio Pita is currently working on training and validating this AI on pass2 data.

Expected to be finished and validated with data within 1-2 months.



Physics backgrounds

Two main physics backgrounds

- $ep \rightarrow e'e^+p'(e^-)$ decay electron escapes detection, while beam electron is detected
- $ep \rightarrow e'\pi^+p'(\pi^-)$ π^+ is misidentified as e^+ , and π^- escapes

 $N(e^{-}e^{+}p') = N_{S}(e^{-}e^{+}) + N_{BG}(e'e^{+}/\pi^{+})$

Same charge dilepton final states $ep \rightarrow e'e^{-}p'(e^{+})$ and $ep \rightarrow e'\pi^{-}p'(\pi^{+})$ contribute only to the background.

Bg topologies of course don't produce equal number of same and opposite charge lepton pairs in CLAS12, however using the inbending and outbending data one can estimate the contribution of the background in the total sample.

$$\begin{split} R^{in} &= \frac{N^{in}(e'e^{-}p')}{N^{in}(e^{+}e^{-}p')} = \frac{a^{2} \cdot \sigma_{BG}}{a \cdot b \cdot \sigma_{BG+S}} = \frac{a \cdot \sigma_{BG}}{b \cdot \sigma_{BG+S}} \\ R^{out} &= \frac{N^{out}(e'e^{-}p')}{N^{out}(e^{+}e^{-}p')} = \frac{b^{2} \cdot \sigma_{BG}}{a \cdot b \cdot \sigma_{BG+S}} = \frac{b \cdot \sigma_{BG}}{a \cdot \sigma_{BG+S}} \\ r^{2} &= \frac{R^{in}}{R^{out}} = \frac{a^{2}}{b^{2}} \\ r &= \frac{a}{b} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{"a" CLAS12 efficiency for inbending track} \\ \text{"b" CLAS12 efficiency for Outbending track} \end{aligned}$$

Correcting the data for the background



Especially at higher (above 8 GeV) photon energies the contribution from background processes become significant.

After background subtraction, the data and MC agreement is reasonable.

Momentum resolutions: Data vs MC

P. Chatagnon







- Widths of Exclusivity variables don't quite match in MC and Data.
- This has significant impact on J/psi cross-section.

Momentum resolutions: Data vs MC



Apparently significant amount of J/Ψ (or events w/ high photon energy) gets high Q^2 (transverse missing momentum) which is not reproducible with MC.



Radiative corrections

Rad corrections are implemented based on PhysRev. D, 97:076012, Apr 2018, Soft-photon corrections to the Bethe-Heitler process in the $\gamma p \rightarrow |^{-}|^{+}$ p reaction.



$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dtds_{ll}}\right)_{rad} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dtds_{ll}}\right)_0 (1+\delta)$$

With $s_{II} \gg 4m^2 \delta$ takes the form $\delta = -\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) \left\{ \ln\left(\frac{4\Delta E_s^2}{s_{ll}}\right) \left[1 + \ln\left(\frac{m^2}{s_{ll}}\right)\right] - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right\}$

Pierre implemented radiative photon emission at the generator level.

About 8% constant effect across all the mass range.



Pass 1 vs pass 2 comparisons

Same runs were compared from S19 pass1 and pass2.



In average about x1.8 increase of statistics in S19 pass2.

Plans for publications in 2024



Projected results using only inbending data set.

Exploring possibility to extract polarization asymmetry using a Maximum likelihood fit, suggested by Derek.

Derek is tuning a framework for TCS analysis (will take 1-2 months)



Summary and future plans



- Main analysis efforts are directed to the untagged J/psi and TCS measurements with the e⁻e⁺ channel.
- Based on pass1 data, we have published 1st TCS symmetries
- 4 PhD (3 based on RG-A) theses completed and 2 (1 based on RG-A) are in progress
- One of important questions is to have data and MC resolutions to be matched.
- During the next one year the main goal is to complete the TCS analysis on the whole RG-A data set.
- In a longer term we plan to have finish J/psi cross-section with muon channel as well.

Backup

List any new idea of CAA

This however is for RG-C

- Kayleigh Gates (University Of Glasgow)
- TCS on linearly polarized target
- Gives access to H and H (H relatively less known)
- RG-C data is being analyzed





The radiative corrections are expected to play a role in two key ingredient of the cross-section calculation:

P. Chatagnon's analysis

- In the acceptance: J/Psi simulation with radiated correction used to account for larger peak width.
- In the normalization factor: Grape generated events are passed through the radiative correction algorithm. Expect to be 10% effect.





Tagged J/psi

 $ep -> e^-e^+e'(X)$, no proton detection is required.

- e⁻: detected in FD
- e^+ : detected in FD
- e': detected in FT

Full S19 pass2 data.



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