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Experimental study of Generalised Parton Distributions at Jefferson Lab

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Introduction

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A constructivist view of the nucleon







Generalised Parton Distributions

- proposed by Müller (1994), Radyushkin, Ji (1997).
- can be interpreted as relating, in the infinite momentum frame, transverse position of partons (impact parameter b_⊥) to longitudinal momentum fraction (x).



* **Tomography** of the nucleon: transverse spatial distributions of quarks and gluons in longitudinal momentum space.



- Indirect access to mechanical properties of the nucleon: possibilities of extracting pressure distributions within the nucleon.
- * Information on the orbital angular momentum contribution to nucleon spin: **the spin puzzle**. Ji's relation: $J_N^q = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q + L_q + J_g$ $J_q^q = \frac{1}{2} - J_q^g$ $= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} x dx \left\{ H^q(x,\xi,0) + E^q(x,\xi,0) \right\}$
- * Combine with TMDs to access **spinorbit correlations** of quarks and gluons, study non-perturbative interactions of partons.

Experimental paths to GPDs in electron - hadron scattering

Accessible in *exclusive* reactions, where all final state particles are determined:



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- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)
- Deeply Virtual Meson Production (DVMP) / Hard Exclusive Meson Production (HEMP)
- Time-like Compton Scattering (TCS)
- Double DVCS
- * Photon-meson production



TCS

Virtual photon time-like



DDVCS One time-like, one space-like virtual photon



DVMP Virtual photon space-like



DVCS Virtual photon space-like

Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering

the "golden channel" for GPD extraction



- * At high exchanged Q^2 and low *t* access to four parton helicity-conserving, chiral-even GPDs: $E^q, \tilde{E}^q, H^q, \tilde{H}^q(x, \xi, t)$
- * Can be related to PDFs: H(x,0,0) = q(x) $\tilde{H}(x,0,0) = \Delta q(x)$

and form factors:

$$Q^2 = -(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}')^2 \qquad t = (\mathbf{p}'_{\mathbf{n}} - \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{n}})^2$$
$$Q^2$$

Bjorken variable: $x_B = \frac{Q}{2\mathbf{p}_n \cdot \mathbf{q}}$

 $x \pm \xi$ longitudinal momentum fractions of the struck parton

Skewness: $\xi \approx \frac{x_B}{2 - x_B}$

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} H dx = F_1$$
$$\int_{-1}^{+1} E dx = F_2$$
(Dirac and Pauli)

- $\int_{-1}^{+1} \tilde{H} \, dx = G_A$ $\int_{-1}^{+1} \tilde{E} \, dx = G_P$ (axial and pseudo-scalar)
- *Small changes in nucleon transverse momentum allows mapping of transverse structure at large distances.

Measuring DVCS

* Process measured in experiment:



Compton Form Factors in DVCS

Experimentally accessible in DVCS cross-sections and spin asymmetries, eg:



Jefferson Lab



Jefferson Lab: 6 GeV era

CEBAF: Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility.

- **★** Energy up to ~6 GeV
- * Energy resolution $\delta E/E_e \sim 10^{-5}$
- ***** Electron polarisation up to ~85%



Hall C:



* Two movable spectrometer arms, well-defined acceptance, high luminosity

Hall A:



* High resolution($\delta p/p = 10^{-4}$) spectrometers, very high luminosity.

Hall B: CLAS



 Very large acceptance, detector array for multiparticle final states.

JLab @ 12 GeV



High resolution($\delta p/p = 10^{-4}$) spectrometers, very high luminosity, large installation experiments.



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Two movable high momentum spectrometers, welldefined acceptance, very high luminosity.

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9 GeV tagged polarised photons, full acceptance

Hall B: CLAS12



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 $L \sim 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

High luminosity & large acceptance: Concurrent measurement of exclusive, semi-inclusive, and inclusive processes

Acceptance for photons and electrons: • $2.5^{\circ} < \theta < 125^{\circ}$

Acceptance for all charged particles: • $5^{\circ} < \theta < 125^{\circ}$

Acceptance for neutrons: • $5^{\circ} < \theta < 120^{\circ}$



DVCS in Hall C

Detect electron with (Super) High Momentum Spectrometer, (S)HMS.

Detect photon in PbWO₄ calorimeter.

Sweeping magnet to reduce backgrounds in calorimeter.

Reconstruct recoiling proton through missing mass.



Similar principle applied in Hall A



DVCS in Hall A



 Q^2 (GeV²)

(0.36) and x_B dependence at constant Q^2 .



Energy scan for fixed *x_B*, *Q*²: **x_B E^{beam} (GeV) -t (GeV²)** 0.36 3.355 0.18, 0.24, 0.30

1.50	0.36	3.355 5.55	0.18, 0.24, 0.30
1.75	0.36	4.455 5.55	0.18, 0.24, 0.30, 0.36
2.00	0.36	4.455 5.55	0.18, 0.24, 0.30, 0.36

M. Defurne et al, PRC 92 (2015) 055202.

High-precision cross-sections: Hall A

* High precision cross-section measurement in a small kinematic region: Generalised Rosenbluth separation of the DVCS² (scales as E_e^2) and the BH-DVCS interference (scales as E_e^3) terms. NLO and/or higher-twist improve model agreement.



-t: 0.18, 0.24, 0.30

M. Defurne et al, Nature Communications 8 (2017) 1408.

Large kinematic coverage: CLAS

* Unpolarised DVCS cross-sections and helicity-dependent cross-section differences in a wide kinematic range:





DVCS asymmetries @ CLAS

High statistics, large kinematic coverage, strong constraints on fits, simultaneous fit of BSA, TSA and DSA at common kinematics from the same dataset:



E. Seder *et al* (CLAS), *PRL* 114 (2015) 032001
S. Pisano *et al* (CLAS), *PRD* 91 (2015) 052014
F.-X. Girod *et al* (CLAS), *PRL* 100 (2008) 162002



γ*

e

leptonic plane

hadronic

plane

Beam- and target-spin asymmetries



 $4 = \frac{\alpha sin\phi}{1 + \beta cos\phi}$

GGL: Goldstein, Gonzalez, Liuti GK: Kroll, Moutarde, Sabatié KMM: Kumericki, Mueller, Murray VGG: Vanderhaeghen, Guichon, Guidal



TSA shows a flatter distribution in *t* than BSA.



Compton Form Factors from CLAS data

- Extracted using local fits to cross-sections and asymmetries, constrained by the VGG (Vanderhaeghen, Guichon, Guidal) model.
- * Information on relative distributions of quark momenta (PDFs) and quark helicity, $\Delta q(x)$

 $H(x,0,0) = q(x) \quad \tilde{H}(x,0,0) = \Delta q(x)$

 Indications that axial charge is more concentrated than electromagnetic charge.

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} H dx = F_1 \quad \int_{-1}^{+1} \tilde{H} \, dx = G_A$$

Slope flatter towards higher-x: valence quarks are at centre, lower-x quarks at periphery.

Global analysis of all available data needed.

Towards nucleon tomography

*** Local fit** to extract CFFs: limits based on +/-5 * the VGG (Vanderhaeghen, Guichon, Guidal) model predictions using leading-twist amplitude based on Double Distributions.

 $t = \Delta^2$

0.7

0.6

 $(\mathbf{x}) \begin{pmatrix} 0.4 \\ \mathbf{p}_{\mathrm{T}}^{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.4 \\ 0.3 \end{pmatrix}$

0.2

0.1

0.1

(fm²)

* Assuming leading-twist and exponential dependence of GPD on *t*, using models to extrapolate to the zero skewness point $\xi = 0$ and assuming similar behaviour for *u* and *d* quarks there:

$$\langle b_{\perp}^2 \rangle^q(x) = -4 \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta_{\perp}^2} \ln H_-^q(x, 0, -\Delta_{\perp}^2) \Big|_{\Delta_{\perp} = 0}$$

$$H^{q}_{-}(x,0,t) \equiv H^{q}(x,0,t) + H^{q}(-x,0,t)$$

*** Global fits:** PARTONS framework using neural networks to minimise model-dependence in the extraction of CFFs.

We need more data from multiple channels and across a wide kinematic range!



Impact

parameter at different

momentum fractions x

> R. Dupré *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J **A 53**, (2017) 171

DVCS on the neutron: Hall A

$$J_{N} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{q} + L_{q} + J_{g}$$

***** Ji's relation: $J^{q} = \frac{1}{2} - J^{g} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} x dx \left\{ H^{q}(x,\xi,0) + E^{q}(x,\xi,0) \right\}$

H^q in DVCS off the proton, first
 experimental constraint on *E*^q from neutron DVCS beam-spin asymmetry.

M. Mazouz et al, PRL 99 (2007) 242501

- Gives constraints on orbital angular
 momentum of quarks: the spin puzzle.
- * Rosenbluth separation of interference & DVCS terms underway in neutron-DVCS cross-sections: E_e = 4.5 and 5.5 GeV (experiment E08-025).

*LD*₂ target
$$\langle Q^2 \rangle = 1.75 \text{ GeV}^2 \langle x_B \rangle = 0.36$$





DVCS on the bound proton





*25% - 40% lower asymmetries for bound proton compared to free, no strong dependence on t.

Medium-modification effects, initial/final state interactions?

M. Hattawy et al, arXiv:1812.07628

Imaging pressure within the nucleon

* GPDs provide indirect access to mechanical properties of the nucleon (encoded in the gravitational form factors, GFFs, of the energy-momentum)

tensor). X. D. Ji, PR**D 55**, 7114-7125 (1997) M. Polyakov, PL**B 555**, 57-62 (2016)

* Three scalar GFFs, functions of *t*: encode pressure and shear forces (*d*₁(*t*)), mass (*M*₂(*t*)) and angular momentum distributions (*J*(*t*)).

* Can be related to GPDs via sum rules:

$$\int x [H(x,\xi,t) + E(x,\xi,t)] dx = 2J(t)$$
$$\int xH(x,\xi,t) dx = M_2(t) + \frac{4}{5}\xi^2 d_1(t)$$

Severely model-dependent extraction

* Neural net analysis, however: d-term almost unconstrained and consistent with zero

Possibility of extracting pressure distributions! But more data needed.



DVCS at JLab12: 11 GeV era

11 GeV era DVCS Cross-sections: Halls A and C

Experiments: **E12-06-114** (Hall A, 100 days), **E12-13-010** (Hall C, 53 days)

Unpolarised liquid H₂ target:

- Beam energies: 6.6, 8.8, 11 GeV
- Scans of Q² at fixed x_B.
- Hall A: aim for absolute crosssections with 4% relative precision.

* Azimuthal, energy and helicity dependencies of crosssection to separate $|T_{DVCS}|^2$ and interference contributions in a wide kinematic coverage.

* Separate *Re* and *Im* parts of the DVCS amplitude.



11 GeV era: DVCS with CLAS12



E12-06-109: Longitudinally polarised NH_3 and ND_3 targets



DVCS with CLAS12



 $\begin{array}{l} P_{beam} = 85\% \\ L = 10^{35} \ cm^{-2}s^{-1} \\ 1 < Q^2 < 10 \ GeV^2 \\ 0.1 \ < x_B^< \ 0.65 \\ -t_{min}^< -t < 2.5 \ GeV^2 \end{array}$



Neutron DVCS (a) 11 GeV: sensitivity to J_q



 $J_u = 0.3, J_d = -0.1$ $J_u = 0.3, J_d = 0.1$ $J_u = 0.1, J_d = 0.1$ $J_u = 0.3, J_d = 0.3$

* At 11 GeV, beam spin asymmetry (A_{LU}) in neutron DVCS *is* very sensitive to J_u, J_d

 Dedicated neutron detector added to CLAS12: Central Neutron Detector

Measurement currently in process...

DVCS on 4He: CLAS12 with ALERT

Experiment E12-17-012:

Measurement of BSA in coherent DVCS from a ⁴*He* target: partonic structure of nuclei.

* Builds on 6 GeV measurement: M. Hattawy et al, PRL 119 (2017) 202004.

* Spin 0 target, so at leading twist only one chiral-even GPD: H_A.



Hard Exclusive Meson Production



Hard Exclusive Meson Production

- * Amplitude depends on convolution of GPDs and meson Distribution Amplitudes (DA).
- * At leading order & twist, access to the four chiraleven (parton helicity-conserving) GPDs:
 - Pseudo-scalar mesons: $ilde{H}^q, ilde{E}^q(x,\xi,t)$ Gluon
 - Vector mesons: $H^q, E^q, H^g, E^g(x, \xi, t)$

HEMP enables flavour decomposition of quark GPDs and gives access to gluon GPDs

Caveats:

- factorisation established only for longitudinal photons,
 - factorisation sets in at a higher scale than in DVCS,
 - DA not entirely understood

Extracting GPDs from HEMP is hard! GPDs!


 $\begin{aligned} & \epsilon: \text{ ratio of the fluxes of longitudinally (L) and transversely (T) polarised virtual photons.} \\ & \sigma_i: \text{ structure functions, related to scattering amplitudes } (i = L, T, LT, \ldots), \ eg: \\ & \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{k'} \frac{1}{Q^6} \left\{ (1 - \xi^2) |\langle \tilde{H} \rangle|^2 - 2\xi^2 \text{Re}[\langle \tilde{H} \rangle^* \langle \tilde{E} \rangle] - \frac{t'}{4m^2} \xi^2 |\langle \tilde{E} \rangle|^2 \right\} \\ & \text{ where } \langle F \rangle \equiv \sum_{i} \int_{-1}^{1} dx \mathcal{H}_{\mu'\lambda'\mu\lambda} F \end{aligned}$

GPD

Transversity GPDs

* For pseudo-scalar mesons, access four chiral-odd (parton helicityflipping) transversity GPDs (via convolutions of leading-twist GPDs with twist-3 meson DA): $E_T^q, \tilde{E}_T^q, H_T^q, \tilde{H}_T^q(x, \xi, t)$

Appear in DVMP amplitude when virtual photon has transverse polarisation — not accessible at LT in DVCS.

* \tilde{E}_T can be related to the transverse anomalous magnetic moment: $\kappa_T = \int_{-1}^{+1} \tilde{E}_T(x,\xi,t=0) \ dx$

* and H_T to the transversity distribution: $H_T(x, 0, 0) = h_1(x)$ which describes distribution of transverse partons in a transverse nucleon $h_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \bullet \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \bullet \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \end{pmatrix}$

*The combination $\overline{E}_T = 2\widetilde{H}_T + E_T$ is related to spatial density of transversely polarised quarks in an unpolarised nucleon.



HEMP @ JLab

Pseusdo-scaler mesons:

- * Separation of L/T contributions to cross-sections through Rosenbluthlike techniques / simultaneous fits at different kinematics.
- Strong transverse contribution observed in charged and neutral pion / K+ cross-sections: possible access to transversity GPDs.

 - - Goldstein, Hernandez, Liuti (PRD 84, 034007 (2011))

* Attempt at GPD flavourseparation using π^0 and η BSA.

M. Defurne *et al*, **PRL 117** (2016) 262001

Vector mesons:

- L/T contributions to cross-sections separated by using helicity conservation between virtual photon and meson: strong deviations from leading-twist GPD formalism (higher-twist? evolution effects? meson-size corrections?)
- * Gluonic GPD H^g dominates at small x: gluonic radius.
 - \rightarrow
- GPD extraction much cleaner for heavier quarks: J/Ψ

Too close to threshold @ JLab12, ideal for the Electron-Ion Collider!

Meson production at JLab 12 GeV

Cross-sections and spin asymmetries in the 11 GeV kinematics:

- * Hard exclusive electroproduction of η and π^0 (E12-06-108, CLAS12)
- ***** Exclusive ϕ meson electroproduction (E12-12-007, CLAS12)
- ***** DVCS and neutral pion cross-sections (E12-13-010, Hall C)
- Scaling study of the L-T separated pion electroproduction cross-section (E12-07-105, Hall C)
- Studies of the L-T separated kaon electroproduction crosssection from 5-11 GeV (E12-09-011, Hall C)
- * Near-threshold electroproduction of J/Ψ (E12-12-006, Hall A)
- * Time-like Compton scattering and J/Ψ electroproduction (E12-12-001, CLAS12). *Analysis under-way!*

Summary

JLab 6 GeV programme:

- * Indications of higher-twist or higher-orders at play in DVCS: hint of gluons?
- * Constraints for GPD models: most info on *Re* and *Im* parts of H_p CFF, a little on \tilde{H}_p , E_n .
- ***** First attempt at tomography with the limited data.
- ***** DVCS on a bound protons and a nuclear target (helium).
- Significant contributions from transverse photon polarisation: possible access to transversity GPDs in pseudo-scalar meson production.
- * Vector mesons: GPD interpretation tricky, strong deviations from leading-twist formalism.

JLab 12 GeV programme:

- * High precision separation of DVCS and interference terms: sensitivity to higher twist / higher orders, gluons.
- * Extensive mapping of a wider kinematic region strides towards tomography.
- * Extraction of *Re* and *Im* parts of **H** CFF, $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$, **E**, flavour-separation: u/d.
- * Access to transversity GPDs.
- * Many more channels to be measured: meson-production, time-like Compton scattering, double DVCS, photon-meson-pair production: significant constraints on GPDs in the valence region.

Stay tuned!





An abridged history of nucleon structure





1960s: the Quark Model. Nucleons are composed of three valence quarks! *Gell-Mann (Nobel Prize 1969), Zweig.*

1968: Deep Inelastic scattering at SLAC: scaling observed. The proton consists of point-like charges: partons! *Friedman, Kendall, Taylor: Nobel Prize 1990*

1972: Theory of QCD developed.

1956: Elastic scattering at Stanford: the proton has internal structure! *Hofstadter: Nobel Prize 1961.*





1970s-1990s: Deep

Inelastic Scattering reveals a rich structure: quark-gluon sea, flavour distributions, puzzles of spin and mass... what you see depends on how closely you look! **21st Century:** High-precision imaging of quarks and gluons. 3D tomography of the nucleon: spatial and momentum distributions inside it, mechanical properties of the nucleon, ...









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Jefferson Lab: fixed-target electron scattering $0.1 < x_B < 0.7$







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HERMES: fixed gas-target electron/positron scattering $0.02 < x_B < 0.3$





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Derek Leinweber

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The glue

ZEUS/H1: electron/ positron-proton collider

 $10^{-4} < x_B < 0.02$





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Electron-ion collider: $10^{-4} < x_B < 10^{-1}$ Luminosity 100 - 1000 times that of HERA

Kinematic landscape



DVCS in Hall A

HRS

Detect electron in the Left High Resolution Spectrometer (HRS-L): 0.01% momentum resolution



Plastic scintillator array built for proton detection, but not used in most recent measurements / re-analyses. Detect photon in PbF₂ calorimeter: < 3% energy resolution

First DVCS cross-sections in valence region

HallA

* E00-110: Hall A, ran in 2004, high precision, narrow kinematic range.



- * Luminosity = 10^{37} cm⁻²s⁻¹.
- Measure Q²-dependence (Q^{2:} 1.5, 1.9, 2.3 GeV²) of DVCS-BH cross-sections at fixed x_B (0.36).
 Also x_B dependence at constant Q².
- CFFs show scaling in DVCS: leading twist (twist-2) dominance at this moderate Q².



First DVCS cross-sections in valence region



$$x_B = 0.36, Q^2 = 1.9 \ GeV^2, -t = 0.32 \ GeV^2$$

 High precision of the data: sensitivity to subtle differences in model predictions.

VGG model: Vanderhaeghen, Guichon, Guidal KMS model: Kroll, Moutarde, Sabatié KM model: Kumericki, Mueller

TMC: kinematic twist-4 target-mass and finite-*t* corrections, calculated for proton DVCS and estimated for KMS12.

- * KMS parameters tuned on very low x_B mesonproduction data: not adapted to valence quarks.
 - \rightarrow

TMC*: TMC extracted from the KMS12 model and applied to KM10a.

*TMC improve agreement for KM10a model, especially at $\phi = 180^{\circ}$. Higher-twist effects?

The devil is in the detail...

M. Defurne et al, PRC 92 (2015) 055202.

Here comes the twist...

* Twist: powers of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{Q^2}}$ in the DVCS amplitude. Leading-twist (LT) is twist-2.

- ***** Order: introduces powers of α_s
- LO requires Q² >> M² (M: target mass)
 Bold assumption for JLab 6 GeV kinematics!
- CFFs can be classified according to real and virtual photon helicity:
- \mathcal{F}_{++-} helicity of virtual incoming photon
 - \odot Helicity-conserved CFFs \mathcal{F}_{++}
 - \odot Helicity-flip (transverse) \mathcal{F}_{-+}
 - \odot Longitudinal to transverse flip \mathcal{F}_{0+}



- ***** CFFs contributing to the scattering amplitude:
 - \odot LT in LO: only \mathcal{F}_{++}
 - LT in NLO: both \mathcal{F}_{++} and \mathcal{F}_{-+}
 - \odot Twist-3: \mathcal{F}_{0+}

Here comes the twist...

- * At finite Q^2 and non-zero *t* there's ambiguity in defining the light-cone axis:
 - Traditional GPD phenomenology uses the Belitsky convention, in plane of q and P:
 A. Belitsky et al, Nucl. Phys. B878 (2014), 214
 - New, Braun definition using q and q': more natural.
 V. Braun *et al*, *Phys. Rev. D89* (2014), 074022

Reformulating CFFs in this frame absorbs most kinematic power corrections (TMC):

$$\mathcal{F}_{++} = \mathbb{F}_{++} + \frac{\chi}{2} \left[\mathbb{F}_{++} + \mathbb{F}_{-+} \right] - \chi_0 \mathbb{F}_{0+}$$
$$\mathcal{F}_{-+} = \mathbb{F}_{-+} + \frac{\chi}{2} \left[\mathbb{F}_{++} + \mathbb{F}_{-+} \right] - \chi_0 \mathbb{F}_{0+}$$
$$\mathcal{F}_{0+} = -(1+\chi) \mathbb{F}_{0+} + \chi_0 \left[\mathbb{F}_{++} + \mathbb{F}_{-+} \right]$$
$$\mathbf{F}_{0+} = -(1+\chi) \mathbb{F}_{0+} + \chi_0 \left[\mathbb{F}_{++} + \mathbb{F}_{-+} \right]$$
Belitsky Braun CFFs

CFFs



Assuming LO and LT in the Braun frame:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{F}_{++} &= (1+\frac{\chi}{2})\mathbb{F}_{++} \\ \mathcal{F}_{-+} &= \frac{\chi}{2}\mathbb{F}_{++} \\ \mathcal{F}_{0+} &= \chi_0\mathbb{F}_{++} \end{array}$

HT/HO contributions in the Belitsky frame, scaled by kinematic factors χ and χ_0 .

Non-negligible at the Q^2 and x_B of the Hall A cross-section measurement:

 $\chi_0=0.25$, $\chi=0.06$ for $Q^2=2~{
m GeV}^2$, $x_B=0.36$, $t=-0.24~{
m GeV}^2$

M. Defurne et al, Nature Communications 8 (2017) 1408

Hints of higher twist or higher orders



* Including either higher order or higher twist effects (HT) improves the match with data:



Higher-order and / or higher-twist terms are important! A glimpse of gluons.

Wider range of beam energy needed to identify the dominant effect — JLab at 11 GeV.

M. Defurne et al, Nature Communications 8 (2017) 1408.

Rosenbluth separation of DVCS² and BH-DVCS terms



* Generalised Rosenbluth separation of the DVCS² (scales as E_e^2) and the BH-DVCS interference (scales as E_e^3) terms in the cross-section is possible but NLO and/or highertwist required: experiment E07-007 @ two beam energies: 4.5 and 5.6 GeV.



Significant differences
 between pure DVCS and
 interference contributions.

- Helicity-dependent crosssection has a sizeable DVCS² contribution in the higher-twist scenario.
- Separation of HT and NLO effects requires scans across wider ranges of Q² and beam energy: JLab12!

M. Defurne et al, Nature Communications 8 (2017) 1408.

Large kinematic coverage: CLAS

* Unpolarised DVCS cross-sections and helicity-dependent cross-section differences in a wide kinematic range:



Which DVCS experiment?



Beam-spin Asymmetry (A_{LU})



A

Follows first CLAS measurement: S. Stepanyan *et al* (CLAS), *PRL* 87 (2001) 182002

A_{LU} from fit to asymmetry:

$$A_i = \frac{\alpha_i \sin \phi}{1 + \beta_i \cos \phi}$$

A_{LU} characterised by imaginary parts of CFFs via: $F_1 H + \xi G_M \tilde{H} - \frac{t}{4M^2} E$

Qualitative agreement with models, constraints on fit parameters.

F.-X. Girod *et al* (CLAS), *PRL* **100** (2008) 162002.



PRL 97 (2006) 072002

A_{UL} from fit to asymmetry:

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A_{UL} characterised by imaginary parts of CFFs via: $x_{R} = \xi t$

$$F_1 \tilde{\boldsymbol{H}} + \xi G_M (\boldsymbol{H} + \frac{x_B}{2} \boldsymbol{E}) - \frac{\zeta \iota}{4M^2} F_2 \tilde{\boldsymbol{E}} + \dots$$

High statistics, large kinematic coverage, strong constraints on fits, simultaneous fit with BSA and DSA from the same dataset.

E. Seder *et al* (CLAS), *PRL* 114 (2015) 032001S. Pisano *et al* (CLAS), *PRD* 91 (2015) 052014



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TSA shows a flatter distribution in *t* than BSA.

Double-spin asymmetry

At leading twist, double-spin asymmetry (DSA) can be expressed as:

$$A_{\rm LL}(\phi) \sim \frac{c_{0,\rm LP}^{\rm BH} + c_{0,\rm LP}^{\mathcal{I}} + (c_{1,\rm LP}^{\rm BH} + c_{1,\rm LP}^{\mathcal{I}})\cos\phi}{c_{0,\rm unp}^{\rm BH} + (c_{1,\rm unp}^{\rm BH} + c_{1,\rm unp}^{\mathcal{I}} + ...)\cos\phi...}$$

$$c_{0,\mathrm{LP}}^{\mathcal{I}}, c_{1,\mathrm{LP}}^{\mathcal{I}} \propto \Re e[F_1 \widehat{\mathcal{H}} + \xi(F_1 + F_2)(\mathcal{H} + \frac{x_B}{2}\mathcal{E}) - \xi(\frac{x_B}{2}F_1 + \frac{t}{4M^2}F_2)\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}]$$

At CLAS kinematics, leading-twist dominance of these CFFs

***** Fit function for the phi-dependence of the asymmetry:

 $\frac{\kappa_{\rm LL} + \lambda_{\rm LL}\cos\phi}{1 + \beta\cos\phi}$

Shares denominator with BSA and TSA! If measurements at same kinematics, can do a simultaneous fit.

Double-spin Asymmetry (A_{LL}) $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}$





A_{LL} from fit to asymmetry: $\frac{\kappa_{LL} + \lambda_{LL} \cos \phi}{1 + \beta \cos \phi}$

A_{LL} characterised by real parts of CFFs via:

 $F_1 \tilde{\underline{H}} + \xi G_M (\underline{H} + \frac{x_B}{2} \underline{E}) + \dots$

- * Fit parameters extracted from a simultaneous fit to BSA, TSA and DSA.
- Constant term dominates and is almost entirely BH.

E. Seder *et al* (CLAS), *PRL* 114 (2015) 032001S. Pisano *et al* (CLAS), *PRD* 91 (2015) 052014

CFF extraction from three spin asymmetries at common kinematics.

Projected sensitivities to Im(H) CFF





Projections for *Im(H)* neutron and proton and up and down CFFs extracted from approved CLAS12 experiments.

VGG fit (M. Guidal)

Projected sensitivities to Im(E) CFF



Projections for *Im(E)* neutron and proton and up and down CFFs extracted from approved and conditionallyapproved CLAS12 experiments.

CLAS12

VGG fit (M. Guidal)

Nuclear GPDs: coherent DVCS on ⁴He



$$\Re e(\mathcal{H}_A) = \mathcal{P} \int_0^1 dx [H_A(x,\xi,t) - H_A(-x,\xi,t)] C^+(x,\xi)$$

$$\Im m(\mathcal{H}_A) = -\pi (H_A(\xi,\xi,t) - H_A(-\xi,\xi,t))$$

V. Guzey, PRC78, 025211 (2008)

M. Guidal et al, PRD72, 054013 (2005)

J. Gonzalez-Hernandez et al, PRC88, 065206 (2013)



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- * Paves the way for measurements at 11 GeV.
- M. Hattawy et al, PRL 119 (2017) 202004.

Nucleon Tomography from GPDs

* At a fixed Q^2 , x_B , slope of GPD with *t* is related, via a Fourier Transform, to the transverse spatial spread.





Formally, the radial separation, **b**, between the struck parton and the centre of momentum of the remaining spectators.

* Experimentally, fit the *t*-dependence of structure functions or CFFs with an exponential. e

eg:
$$\frac{a\sigma_U}{dt} = Ae^B$$

GPDs and nucleon spin

$$J_{N} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Sigma_{q} + L_{q} + J_{g}$$

* Ji's relation:
$$J^q = \frac{1}{2} - J^g = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} x dx \left\{ H^q(x,\xi,0) + E^q(x,\xi,0) \right\}$$

Second Mellin moments of the GPDs contain information on the total angular momentum carried by quarks.

Note that the contribution from GPD H is given by the quark momentum, already known from PDFs:

$$2J^{q} = \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x \, x[q(x) + \bar{q}(x)] + \int_{-1}^{+1} \mathrm{d}x \, xE^{q}(x, 0, 0)$$

Compton Form Factors in DVCS

Experimentally, DVCS amplitude is proportional to Compton Form Factors (CFFs) — sums of GPD integrals over *x*:

$$\int_{-1}^{1} dx F(\mp x, \xi, t) \left[\frac{1}{x - \xi + i\epsilon} \pm \frac{1}{x + \xi - i\epsilon} \right]$$

$$GPD$$

$$Plus sign for unpolarised GPDs, minus for polarised.$$

Can be decomposed into real and imaginary parts:

Cauchy's principal value integral

$$\Re \mathbf{e}\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{P} \int_{-1}^{1} dx \left[\frac{1}{x-\xi} \mp \frac{1}{x+\xi} \right] F(x,\xi,t)$$

 $\Im m \mathcal{F}(\xi, t) = -\pi [F(\xi, \xi, t) \mp F(-\xi, \xi, t)]$

Both parts areaccessible in differentexperimental observables

Other reactions to get at GPDs

* **Time-like Compton scattering**: virtual photon is time-like. At leading order, access same integrals of GPDs. At higher orders, they differ.





* Double Deeply Virtual Compton scattering: two virtual photons: the second vertex provides a second variable Q'^2 . This allows direct access to *x*, but cross-sections are suppressed by another factor of Ω .

Deeply Virtual Meson Production: the meson vertex provides flavour information. Amplitude now depends on GPDs and the meson Distribution Amplitudes. In light mesons, more sensitive to higher order and higher twist.

In vector mesons, gluon GPDs appear at lowest order!



Nucleon Tomography from GPDs

* Flavour separation is possible in DVCS using different targets (proton and neutron), and in DVMP with different mesons.

For example, compare measurements of π^0 and η DVMP:

$$H_{T}^{\pi^{0}} = \left(e_{u}H_{T}^{u} - e_{d}H_{T}^{d}\right)/\sqrt{2}, \qquad H_{T}^{\eta} = \left(e_{u}H_{T}^{u} + e_{d}H_{T}^{d}\right)/\sqrt{6},$$

$$\bar{E}_{T}^{\pi^{0}} = \left(e_{u}\bar{E}_{T}^{u} - e_{d}\bar{E}_{T}^{d}\right)/\sqrt{2}, \qquad \bar{E}_{T}^{\eta} = \left(e_{u}\bar{E}_{T}^{u} + e_{d}\bar{E}_{T}^{d}\right)/\sqrt{6}.$$

Up-quark charge (Goloskokov-Kroll model)

Different GPDs represent different aspects of the parton distributions: EM charge, axial charge, transversity, etc....

* Sensitivity to gluon distributions through gluon GPDs. Particularly cleanly accessible for heavier $q:J/\Psi$
Extracting asymmetries



The DVCS/BH amplitude

$$\mathcal{T}^2 = |\mathcal{T}_{\rm BH}|^2 + |\mathcal{T}_{\rm DVCS}|^2 + \mathcal{I} - \frac{Interference\ term}{for\ DVCS/BH}$$
$$|\mathcal{T}_{\rm BH}|^2 = \frac{e^6}{x_B^2 y^2 (1+\epsilon^2)^2 t \,\mathcal{P}_1(\phi) \mathcal{P}_2(\phi)} [c_0^{\rm BH} + \sum_{n=1}^2 c_n^{\rm BH}\ \cos n\phi + s_1^{\rm BH}\ \sin \phi]$$

$$|\mathcal{T}_{\rm DVCS}|^2 = \frac{e^6}{y^2 \mathcal{Q}^2} \{ c_0^{\rm DVCS} + \sum_{n=1}^2 [c_n^{\rm DVCS} \cos n\phi \, + \, s_n^{\rm DVCS} \sin n\phi] \}$$



Intermediate lepton propagators

From asymmetries to CFFs

At leading twist, beam-spin asymmetry (BSA) can be expressed as:

$$A_{\rm LU}(\phi) \sim \frac{s_{1,\rm unp}^{\mathcal{I}} \sin \phi}{c_{0,\rm unp}^{\rm BH} + (c_{1,\rm unp}^{\rm BH} + c_{1,\rm unp}^{\mathcal{I}} + \dots) \cos \phi \dots} \quad higher-twist \ terms\dots$$

The leading coefficient is related to the imaginary part of the Compton Form Factors:

$$s_{1,\text{unp}}^{\mathcal{I}} \propto \Im[F_1\mathcal{H} + \xi(F_1 + F_2)\widetilde{\mathcal{H}} - \frac{t}{4M^2}F_2\mathcal{E}]$$

At CLAS kinematics, this dominates F_1, F_2 : Dirac,
Pauli form factors

Likewise, for the target-spin asymmetry (TSA):

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\rm UL}(\phi) &\sim \frac{s_{1,\rm LP}^{\mathcal{I}} \sin \phi}{c_{0,\rm unp}^{\rm BH} + (c_{1,\rm unp}^{\rm BH} + c_{1,\rm unp}^{\mathcal{I}} + ...) \cos \phi + ...} \\ s_{1,\rm LP} &\propto \Im [F_1 \widehat{\mathcal{H}} + \xi (F_1 + F_2) \widehat{\mathcal{H}} + \frac{x_B}{2} \mathcal{E}) - \xi (\frac{x_B}{2} F_1 + \frac{t}{4M^2} F_2) \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}] \\ At CLAS kinematics, these CFFs dominate \end{aligned}$$

* Obtain coefficients from fitting the phidependence of the asymmetry:

$$A_i = \frac{\alpha_i \sin \phi}{1 + \beta_i \cos \phi}$$

Proton DVCS @ 11 GeV

Impact of CLAS12 unpolarised target proton-DVCS data on the extraction of Re(H) and Im(H).



Re(H)

(CLAS 6 GeV extraction H. Moutarde)



DVCS @ JLab12

* Scheduled experiments to measure cross-sections and spin asymmetries with unpolarised and longitudinally polarised liquid H_2 and D_2 targets using CLAS12. \longrightarrow $Im(E_n), Im(H_p), Im(\widetilde{H}_p), Re(H_p)$



* Measurements of cross-sections at 10.6, 8.8 and 6.6 GeV (allows separation of pure DVCS amplitude and the DVCS/Bethe-Heitler interference terms) in Halls A, B and C.

* Transversely-polarised target (HD) for use with electron beams is under development (Hall B). Im(E_p)

* Measurement of beam-spin asymmetry in coherent DVCS from a ⁴He target (CLAS12 + recoil detector ALERT): partonic structure of nuclei. Im(H_A)

JLab 6 GeV era DVCS X-sections: kinematics



CLAS 2D distributions: H.-S. Jo et al (CLAS), PRL 115 (2015) 212003

★ M. Defurne *et al*, **PRC 92** (2015) 055202

Hall A

M. Defurne *et al*, **Nature Communications 8** (2017) 1408

Proton DVCS @ 11 GeV

Experiment E12-06-119 *F. Sabatié et al.*

$$\begin{split} & P_{beam} = 85\% \\ & L = 10^{35} \ cm^{-2}s^{-1} \\ & 1 < Q^2 < 10 \ GeV^2 \\ & 0.1 \ < x_B^< \ 0.65 \\ & -t_{min}^< -t < 2.5 \ GeV^2 \end{split}$$

Kinematics similar for all proton DVCS @ 11 GeV with CLAS12 experiments

Unpolarised liquid H₂ target:

- Statistical error: 1% 10% on $\sin \varphi$ moments
- Systematic uncertainties: ~ 6 8%

A_{LU} characterised by imaginary parts of CFFs via: $F_1 H + \xi G_M \tilde{H} - \frac{t}{4M^2} E$

$$Q^2 \frac{10}{9}$$

First experiment with CLAS12

Started this February!

$$\rightarrow Im(H_n)$$

DVCS at lower energies with CLAS12

Experiment E12-16-010B *F.-X. Girod et al.*

Unpolarised liquid H₂ target:

- Beam energies: 6.6, 8.8 GeV
- Simultaneous fit to beam-spin and total cross-sections.
- * Rosenbluth separation of interference and $|T_{DVCS}|^2$ terms in the cross-section

* Scaling tests of the extracted CFFs

Model-dependent determination of the D-term in the Dispersion Relation between *Re* and *Im* parts of CFFs: sensitivity to Gravitational Form Factors. Deep Process Kinematics with 6.6, 8.8, and 11 GeV



Compare with measurements from Halls A and C: cross-check model and systematic uncertainties.



DVCS at lower energies with CLAS12

Projected extraction of CFFs (red) compared to generated values (green). Three curves on the Re(H) show three different scenarios for the D-term.



F.-X. Girod et al.

Neutron DVCS @ 11 GeV

Experiment E12-11-003 S. Niccolai, D. Sokhan et al.

1.2

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1-003 *et al.* Simulated statistical sample: $\Delta \sigma_{LU} \sim \sin \phi \operatorname{Im} \{F_1 H + \xi (F_1 + F_2) \widetilde{H} - kF_2 E\} d\phi$

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XB

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Im (E_n) dominates.

 $L = 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}/\text{nucleon}$

 $e + d \rightarrow e' + \gamma + n + (p_s)$

CLAS12 + Forward Tagger + **Neutron Detector**



Scheduled: 2019



Neutron DVCS with a longitudinally polarised target

Experiment E12-06-109A. S. Niccolai, D. Sokhan et al.

Longitudinally polarised ND₃ target:

- Dynamic Nuclear Polarisation (DNP) of target material in a cryostat shared with the NH₃ target.
- P_{deuteron} up to 50%
- Systematic uncertainties: ~ 12%

A_{UL} characterised by imaginary parts of CFFs via:

$$F_1\tilde{H} + \xi G_M(H + \frac{x_B}{2}E) - \frac{\xi t}{4M^2}F_2\tilde{E} + \dots$$

 \longrightarrow Im(H_n)

In combination with pDVCS, will allow flavourseparation of the H_q CFFs.



Tentative schedule: 2020

Proton DVCS with transversely CLAS12 polarised target at CLAS12

C12-12-010: with transversely polarised HD target (conditionally approved). L. Elouardhiri et al.

 $\Delta \sigma_{\text{UT}} \sim \cos \phi \operatorname{Im} \{k(F_2 H - F_1 E) + \dots \} d\phi$

Sensitivity to *Im(E)* for the proton.

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Towards nucleon tomography: local fits

Quasi model-independent extraction of CFFs based on a local fit:

- * Set 8 CFFs as free parameters to fit, at each (x_B, t) point, the available observables.
- Limits imposed within +/- 5 times the VGG model predictions (Vanderhaeghen-Guichon-Guidal).
- * Leading-twist DVCS amplitude parametrisation based on Double Distributions.



R. Dupré et al., Eur. Phys. J A 53 (2017) 171

Towards nucleon tomography: local fits



Transverse parton position interpretation only at $\xi = 0$.

Assuming leading-twist and exponential dependence of GPD on *t*, using models to extrapolate to the zero skewness point $\xi = 0$ and assuming similar behaviour for *u* and *d* quarks there:

$$\langle b_{\perp}^2 \rangle^q(x) = -4 \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta_{\perp}^2} \ln H_-^q(x, 0, -\Delta_{\perp}^2) \Big|_{\Delta}$$

Tentative hints of 3D distributions are emerging. We need more data from JLab @ 11 GeV!

Relating the impact parameter to helicityaveraged transverse distribution:

$$\rho^{q}(x, \mathbf{b}_{\perp}) = \int \frac{d^{2} \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^{2}} e^{-i\mathbf{b}_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}} H^{q}_{-}(x, 0, -\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^{2})$$
$$H^{q}_{-}(x, 0, t) \equiv H^{q}(x, 0, t) + H^{q}(-x, 0, t)$$

Transverse four-momentum transfer to nucleon

 $t = \Delta^2$



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Towards nucleon tomography: global fits

* PARTONS framework: global fits and neural networks to minimise model-dependence in the extraction of CFFs.



