

Studies of nonperturbative structure of hadrons from lepton production experiments

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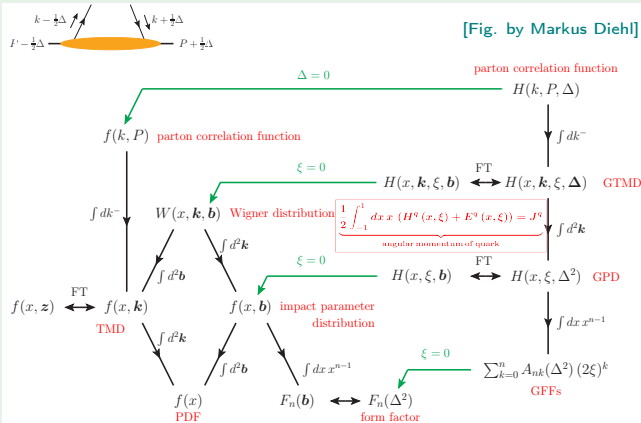
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Nucleon (hadron) structure

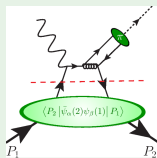
- Formidable theoretical problem (nonperturbative strongly interacting $\bar{q}qg$ ensemble)
- Parton distributions: convenient interface between theory and experiment

Relations between parton distributions



- Helicity of partons/target might be flipped
- Each distribution might depend on flavor

Factorization theorem



- Bjorken kinematics

$$Q^2 \rightarrow \infty, x_B = \text{const}$$

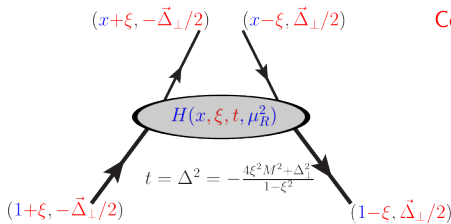
- $\mathcal{A} \sim \mathcal{C}_{\text{process}} \otimes H_{\text{target}}$
- Multiparton distributions are suppressed in this kinematics

Curse of dimensionality

- Only formfactors and PDFs are reasonably measured.

GPD: formal definitions, models, constraints

$$\frac{\bar{P}^+}{2\pi} \int dz e^{ix\bar{P}^+z} \langle B(p_2) | \bar{\psi}_q' \left(-\frac{z}{2}\right) \gamma_+ \psi_q \left(\frac{z}{2}\right) | A(p_1) \rangle = (H_q(x, \xi, t) \bar{N}(p_2) \gamma_+ N(p_1) + \frac{\Delta_k}{2m_N} E_q(x, \xi, t) \bar{N}(p_2) i\sigma_{+k} N(p_1))$$



Constraints on GPD parametrizations:

- ▶ $\lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} H(x, \xi, t) = q(x), \int_{-1}^1 dx H(x, \xi, t) = F(t)$
- ▶ $\int_{-1}^1 dx x^{n-1} H(x, \xi, t) = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{kn}(t) \xi^k$
- ▶ Positivity (in impact space): For $\forall p_\sigma(x), \int_{|\xi| < x < 1} \frac{dx d\xi}{(1-x)^5} p_\sigma^* \left(\frac{1-x}{1-\xi}\right) p_\lambda \left(\frac{1-x}{1+\xi}\right) F_{\sigma\lambda} \left(x, \xi, \frac{1-x}{1-\xi^2} b_\perp\right) \geq 0$

GPDs from nonperturbative models of nucleon structure (χ QSM, NJL, AdS/CFT, ...)

- If “wave functions” of quarks are known, evaluation is quite straightforward:

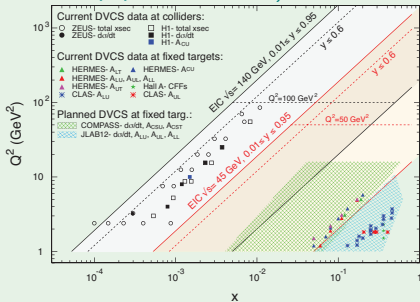
$$\Rightarrow H_i(x, \xi, t) \sim \sum_q \int d^2 p_\perp \bar{\Phi}_q \left(x - \xi, \vec{p} + \frac{\vec{\Delta}_\perp}{2}\right) \Gamma_i \Phi_q \left(x + \xi, \vec{p}_\perp - \frac{\vec{\Delta}_\perp}{2}\right)$$

- Advantage: Automatically satisfy polynomiality & positivity constraints
- Yet agreement with experimental data is marginal.

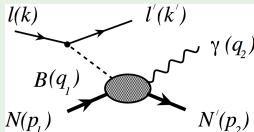
- \Rightarrow Phenomenological approach predominant in the literature (EPJC 59, 809; EPJC 39, 1; PRD 72, 054013; NPB 841, 1, ...)

GPD extraction from DVCS

(EIC white paper, 1212.1701)



Kinematic coverage of DVCS experiments.

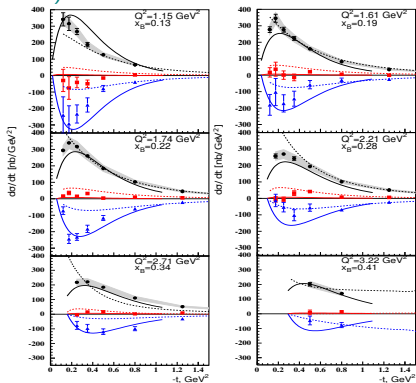


- Theoretically the cleanest, best understood is DVCS
- Interference with BH
⇒ phase of the amplitude
- Polarization asymmetries
⇒ separate $H, E, \tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$
- Sensitive only to

$$H_{DVCS} = \sum e_f^2 H^f + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s) H^g$$

- DVMP may give access to GPD flavor structure, but theoretically is more complicated

Challenges in GPD extraction from pion production (CLAS)

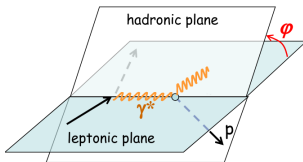


- Tw-2 contribution is small, probes

$$\sigma_L \sim \left| \{ \tilde{H}, \tilde{E} \} \otimes \phi_{2;\pi} \right|^2$$

⇐ Dependence on azimuthal angle ϕ_π between ep and πp planes

- Should not exist in leading twist



- Signals that **tw-3 contributions are pronounced**

$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{dQ^2 dx_B dt d\phi_\pi} = \frac{\Gamma(Q^2, x_B, E)}{2\pi} (\sigma_T + \epsilon\sigma_L + \epsilon \cos 2\phi_\pi \sigma_{TT} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \cos \phi_\pi \sigma_{LT})$$

$$\sigma_{TT} \sim |\{H_T, E_T\} \otimes \phi_{3;\pi}|^2$$

$$\sigma_{LT} \sim |\{H_T, E_T\} \otimes \phi_{3;\pi}|^2$$

⇒ This channel requires significantly larger Q^2 to access GPDs

Challenge in GPD extraction from vector mesons

- Probe unpolarized GPDs H , E , smaller tw-3 contributions

Vector meson wave function unknown

- controlled by confinement (not SCSB), depends heavily on the model

Popular parametrizations:

AdS/CFT wave function

$$\varphi_q^{(i)}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) = N_q^{(i)} \frac{4\pi}{\kappa} \sqrt{\frac{\log(1/x)}{1-x}} \sqrt{f_q^{(i)}(x) \bar{f}_q(x)} \\ \times \exp\left[-\frac{\mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{2\kappa^2} \frac{\log(1/x)}{(1-x)^2} \bar{f}_q(x)\right].$$

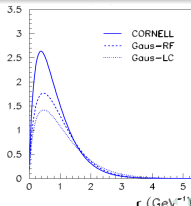
- $f_q(x)$, $\bar{f}_q(x)$ -unknown functions, can be fixed from (hypothetical) DIS on ρ -mesons

Uncertainty in WF translates into significant uncertainty in extraction of GPDs from this channel

Boosted Gaussian WF

$$\varphi_q^{\text{BG}}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) = \mathcal{N}_\lambda 2[x(1-x)]^{b_\lambda/2} \sqrt{2\pi R_\lambda^2} \exp\left(\frac{m_f^2 R_\lambda^2}{2}\right) \\ \times \exp\left(-\frac{\mathbf{k}_\perp^2 + m_f^2}{8[x(1-x)]^{b_\lambda} R_\lambda^2}\right)$$

everything except x and \mathbf{k}_\perp are free parameters



What we suggest ?

- Charged current π/K -production

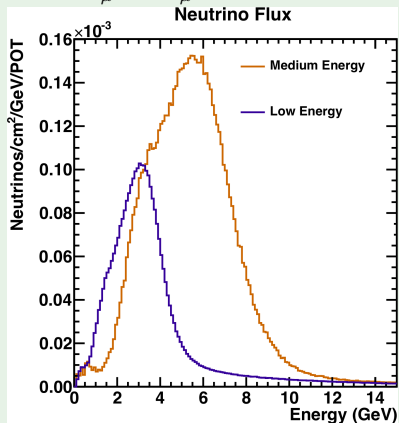
Advantages

- $V - A$ structure of interaction \Rightarrow probes unpolarized (“large”) GPDs H, E ; much smaller contamination by higher twist corrections
- Good knowledge of pion and kaon WF, closeness of wave functions due to SCSB \Rightarrow can extract full flavor structure of GPD

Where such processes can be studied ?

MINERvA@Fermilab

- Extremely large luminosity
- Both ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ can be used

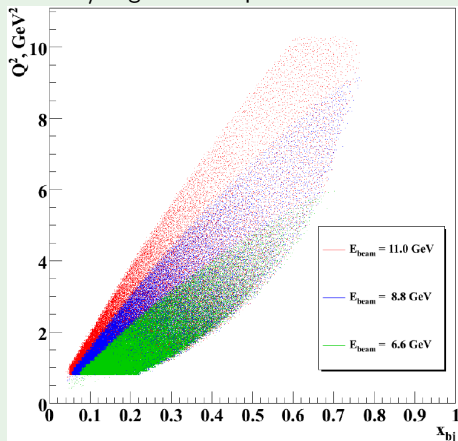


- Analysis of data in Bjorken kinematics has already started

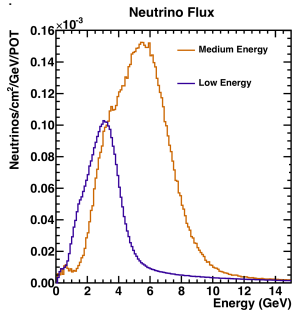
[UTFSM MINERvA group: Jonathan Miller et al.](#)

Jefferson Laboratory

- Monochromatic beam, $E_e = 11$ GeV
- Luminosity $\mathcal{L} = 10^{36} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
- Beam/target can be polarized



MINERvA experiment (neutrinos)



Advantages

- Extremely large luminosity
- Both ν_{μ} and $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$ can be used (W^{\pm} -induced production)

Challenges

- Beam not monochromatic, should consider spectrum averaged observables
- Detector=extended nuclear target, nuclear effects are important
- Accessible Q^2 is not very large, loop corrections might be pronounced (will DUNE improve the resolution?)

Flavor combinations of GPDs probed by various processes

(PRD 86 (2012) 113018)

- Experimentally easiest: $\nu p \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^+ p$, $\bar{\nu} p \rightarrow \mu^+ \pi^- p$ (ongoing analysis by MINERvA group @USM)

$$\mathcal{A}_{\nu p \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^+ p}^{(\text{LO})} \sim \int_{-1}^1 dx \left(\frac{H_d(x, \xi)}{x - \xi + i0} + \frac{H_u(x, \xi)}{x + \xi - i0} \right)$$

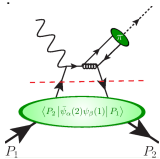
$$\mathcal{A}_{\bar{\nu} p \rightarrow \mu^+ \pi^- p}^{(\text{LO})} \sim \int_{-1}^1 dx \left(\frac{H_u(x, \xi)}{x - \xi + i0} + \frac{H_d(x, \xi)}{x + \xi - i0} \right)$$

- Can probe 29 CC processes in total if use $SU(3)$ flavour relations for transition GPDs $H_{p \rightarrow \gamma}$, e.g.

$$H_{p \rightarrow n} = H_u(x, \xi, t) - H_d(x, \xi, t)$$

- In the NLO the coefficient functions $\frac{1}{x \pm \xi \mp i0}$ get much more complicated

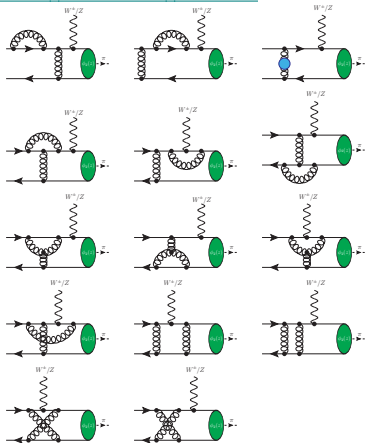
Loop corrections



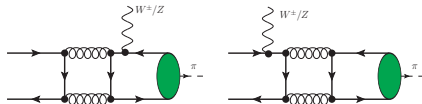
- ep experience: loop corrections are large in this kinematics (JETPL 80, 226; EPJC 52, 933)

- Challenge: separate corrections to coefficient function and GPD/DA $_{\pi}$ evolution kernel (scale μ_F)

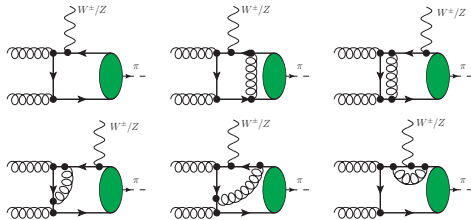
● NLO coefficient functions



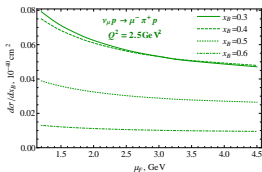
● Sea quarks contribution



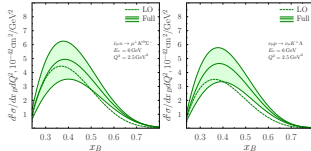
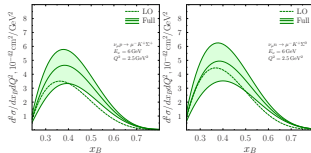
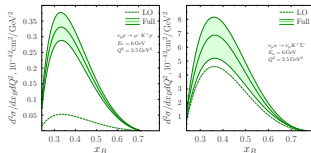
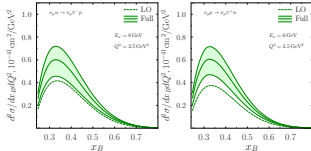
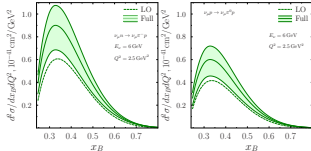
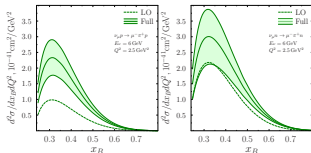
● Gluons contribution (LO+NLO)



Loop corrections



- Weak dependence on factorization scale for $\mu_F \gtrsim 3 \text{ GeV}$
 - Scale choice: $\mu_R = \mu_F = Q$
 - Estimates of NNLO corrections: $\mu_R = \mu_F \in (0.5, 2)Q$
 - NLO corrections increase all the cross-sections $\gtrsim 50\%$
- ⇒ NNLO corrections are needed !

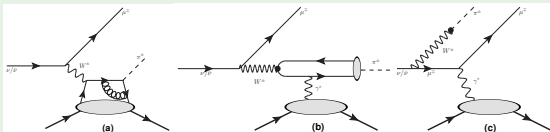


Contaminations by twist-3 & Bethe-Heitler mechanisms

Twist-3 contributions

- Quark spin flip \Rightarrow probe transversity GPDs $H_T, E_T, \tilde{H}_T, \tilde{E}_T$ (large at CLAS6)

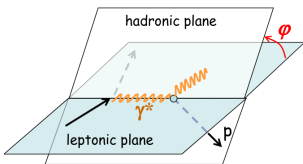
Bethe-Heitler mechanism (diagrams b, c)



- formally is suppressed by α_{em}
- kinematically is enhanced by $Q^2 / (t \cdot \alpha_s^2(Q^2))$

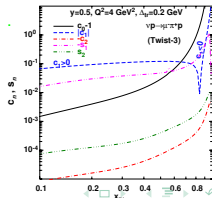
- Both mechanisms generate azimuthal asymmetry

$$\frac{d^4\sigma^{(tot)}}{dt dQ^2 d \ln \nu d\varphi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d^3\sigma^{(DVMP)}}{dt dQ^2 d \ln \nu} \times \sum_n (c_n \cos n\varphi + s_n \sin n\varphi)$$



- Expect that harmonics

c_n, s_n
should be small

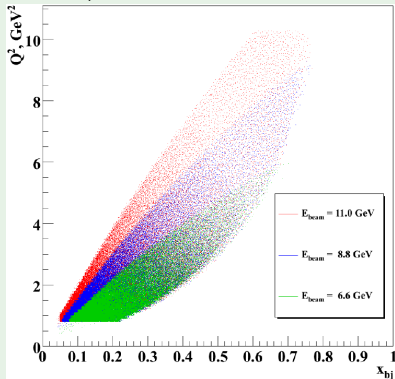


Charged current studies in ep experiments

- (HERA: luminosity insufficient for charged current exclusive processes)

Kinematic coverage of JLAB

- Monochromatic beam, $E_e = 11$ GeV
- Luminosity $\mathcal{L} = 10^{36} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
- Beam/target can be polarized



Suggested process: $ep \rightarrow \nu_e \pi^- p$

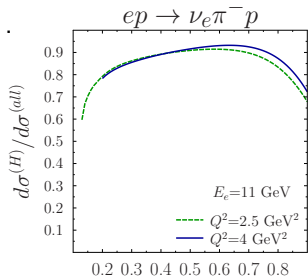
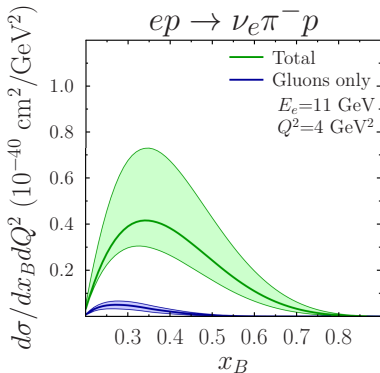
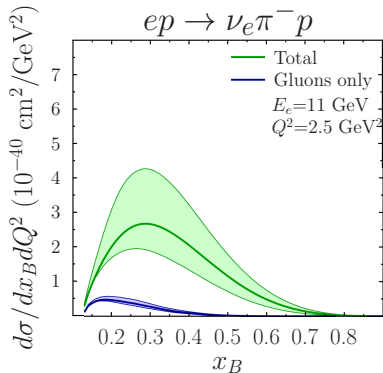
- Neutrino ν_e momentum reconstructed via momentum conservation

$$p_\nu = p' + p_\pi - p - p_e$$

-final hadrons are charged, kinematics resolution should be good.

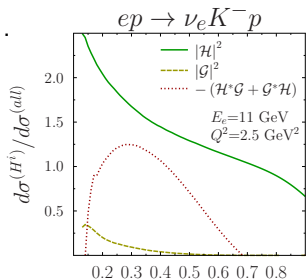
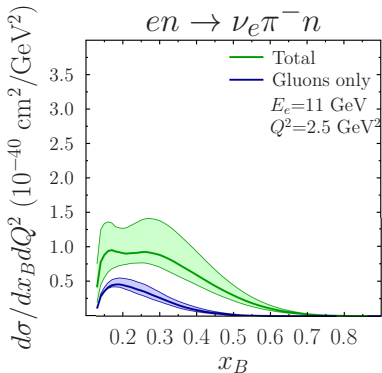
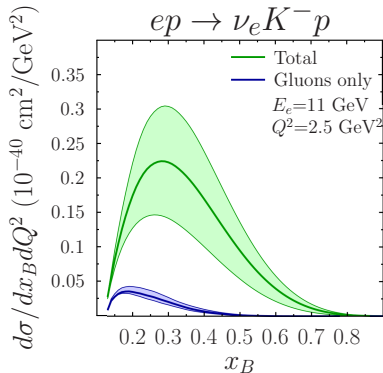
- Potentially can extend also to other members of mesonic and baryonic flavour multiplets, $SU(3)_f$ -relations \Rightarrow GPD flavour combinations

Results for the $e \rightarrow \nu_e M$ (NLO in α_s)



- For pions with beam luminosity $L \sim 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ expect ~ 40 events/day/bin (1 GeV bins in Q^2 assumed)
- Gluons give minor contribution and slightly *decrease* the cross-section (interference term $q - g$ is negative)
- **Mostly sensitive to GPD H_u, H_d ($\gtrsim 80\%$ of result).**

Results for the $e \rightarrow \nu_e M$ (NLO in α_s)



- For K -mesons, suppression by an order of magnitude (Cabibbo forbidden), smaller statistics
- Sizeable negative contribution from interference $\mathcal{H}^*\mathcal{G} + \mathcal{G}^*\mathcal{H}$
- For neutrons the cross-section is of the same order ($\sim 40\%$ less than in $ep \rightarrow \nu_e \pi^- p$), but kinematics reconstruction might be poorer

Contaminations by twist-3 & Bethe-Heitler mechanisms

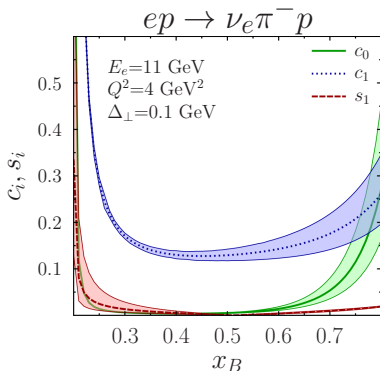
- Generate azimuthal asymmetry, quantify effect in terms of angular harmonics

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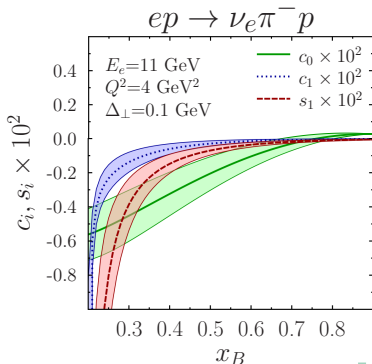
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Bethe-Heitler mechanism

- interaction with hadron via elastic t -channel photon exchange only
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