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Exclusive Physics



Physics Governed by Generalised Parton Distributions

Generalised Parton Distributions



t - Mandelstam variable(squared momentumtransfer to nucleon)

x - Fraction of nucleon'slongitudinal momentumcarried by active quark

 ξ - half the change in the longitudinal momentum of the active quark.

Four distributions of interest: H, E, \tilde{H} , \tilde{E}

H and E integrate over quark helicities \widetilde{H} and \widetilde{E} are quark helicity difference distributions

$$J_q = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{t \to 0} \int_{-1}^{1} \left[H^q \left(x, \xi, t \right) + E^q \left(x, \xi, t \right) \right] x \, dx$$

GPD Physics Four distributions of interest: H, E, Ĥ, Ĩ

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$H \to \mathcal{H} \qquad \widetilde{H} \to \widetilde{\mathcal{H}} \qquad E \to \mathcal{E} \qquad \widetilde{E} \to \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}$

Results in "Compton Form Factors" accessible through Exclusive Physics, which have real and imaginary parts

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Limited x access



 $\langle Q^2 \rangle \approx 2.4 \text{ GeV}^2$ • $| \text{GeV}^2 < Q^2 \equiv -q^2 < |0 \text{ GeV}^2$

 $\langle x_{\rm B} \rangle \simeq 0.1$

 $\langle -t \rangle \simeq 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$

- $0.03 < x_B < 0.3$
- $0 \text{ GeV}^2 < -t \equiv -(p-p')^2 < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2$





Leptoproduction of real photons has two subprocess: Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering and elastic scattering with Bremsstrahlung.





$$\mathcal{A}_{C}(\phi) \equiv \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{+}(\phi) - \mathrm{d}\sigma^{-}(\phi)}{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{+}(\phi) + \mathrm{d}\sigma^{-}(\phi)} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{x} \ \mathsf{Re}(\mathcal{H}) \longrightarrow \mathsf{Target Spin}$$





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Beam Asymmetries



Beam Charge Asymmetries access Re(H)

Beam Asymmetries



Beam Helicity Asymmetries access Im(H)

Larger values for the BHA than BCA correlated to the difference in the CFF access?

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Target Asymmetries



Long. Pol. target asymmetries access $Im(\widetilde{\mathcal{H}})$

http://arxiv.org/abs/1004.0177

A. Airapetian et al, JHEP 06 (2010) 019

VGG Model: http://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9905372 Phys.Rev. D60 (1999) 094017

Double Spin Asymmetries



Long. Pol. target / Long. Pol. Beam access $Re(\widetilde{\mathcal{H}})$

Caveat! Relatively large BH contribution to these asymmetries!

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Exclusive Mesons

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Data taken with all types of polarized targets; average the target polarization to leave unpolarized data

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GPD Discovery



Conclusions

- Exclusive Physics can be used to access information on Generalised Parton Distributions
- That information can tell us unique things about nucleon structure
- HERMES' results can help illuminate a path to knowledge of nucleon structure.