Hard exclusive meson production at HERMES, COMPASS and JLAB

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exclusive meson production







generalized parton distributions



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 $R = \frac{\sigma_L}{\sigma_T}$



1 ★ suppression effectively is not working for $Q^2 \sim \text{few GeV}^2$

 valuable information on GPDs from higher twist terms

at leading twist: $H \ E \ \widetilde{H} \ \widetilde{E}$



$$J_q = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{t \to 0} \int_{-1}^1 dx \, x \left[H_q(x,\xi,t) + E_q(x,\xi,t) \right]$$
$$J_g = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{t \to 0} \int_0^1 dx \left[H_g(x,\xi,t) + E_g(x,\xi,t) \right]$$

factorization for σ_L (and ρ_L , ω_L , ϕ_L) only \circ $\sigma_L - \sigma_T$ suppressed by 1/Q \circ σ_T suppressed by $1/Q^2$



given channel probes specific GPD flavor



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modeling GPDs

constraints on the t-behavior of valence quark and gluon GPDs $H^{q}(x,\xi,t) = H^{q}(x,\xi)F_{1}^{p}(t)$ $H^{g}(x,\xi,t) = H^{g}(x,\xi)F_{1}^{p}(t)$

t-behavior of sea quarks is unknown

(quarks) same t-dependence for quarks and gluons

• measure the t-dependence of cross section (e.g. ρ^+ and ρ^0

$$\int_{0}^{1} dx E_{g} + \sum_{q} \int_{-1}^{1} dx x E_{q} = 0$$
- Diehl (2003) -

 $E_u \approx -E_d$ expectation: $\int_{0}^{1} dx \, E_{g} = -2 \sum_{q} \int_{0}^{1} dx \, x \, E_{\bar{q}}$ $\blacktriangleright E_{\overline{a}}$: small see quark

contribution at $x \sim 0.1$

small E_q

- Ellinghaus, Nowak, Vinnikov, Ye (2005) -

quarks and gluons





vector mesons

























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CLAS preliminary data - Fradi (2010) hep-ex/10101198 -

- decrease of longitudinal cross section with W
- ♦ GK GPD model - Goloskokov Kroll (2005) -
- ♦ VGG GPD model
 - Vanderhaeghen, Guichon, Guidal (1999)
- models do not describe the data
 - GPD formalism is not applicable
 - missing contribution is GPD parameterizations



cross section ratios

cross sections change significantly when varying the nonperturbative input: MRST % CTEQ

unpolarized gluon densities at low scales

- Diehl, Kugler, Schaefer, Weiss (2005) -



next-to leading order corrections

- substantial power corrections
 - cross section ratios for similar channels
 - cancelation of theoretical uncertainties

$$\frac{\sigma_L(\gamma^* p \to \phi p)}{\sigma_L(\gamma^* p \to \rho^0 p)} = \text{const.}$$

$$\frac{\sigma_L(\gamma^* p \to K^{*+} \Lambda)}{\sigma_L(\gamma^* p \to \rho^+ n)} \approx \frac{3}{2}$$



 ρ^0 transverse target spin asymmetry

 \blacklozenge cross section asymmetry with respect to transverse target polarization

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compatible with 0 overall value



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recoil polarization asymmetry





double spin asymmetry

 \blacklozenge asymmetry arise due to interference between natural and unnatural parity exchange amplitudes

 \bigstar non-leading twist: interference between the GPD $H^{s,g}$ and $\widetilde{H}^{s,g}$





pseudoscalar mesons





π^+ cross section from Hall C



- Vanderhaeghen, Guidal, Laget (1997) - transverse component undershoot



π^+ cross section from HERMES







π^+ transverse target asymmetry





more on K and π mesons



• the same GPDs accessible from $\gamma_{L}^{*} p \rightarrow K^{+} \Lambda, K^{0} \Sigma^{+}$



results from CLAS on Beamrecoil polarization transfer in the nucleon resonance region in exclusive reactions

 $\gamma^* p \to K^+ \Lambda, \ K^0 \Sigma^+$ \blacklozenge beyond the resonance region measurements of cross sections and asymmetries might be helpful

separate the pion/kaon pole term contributions





$\gamma^* p \to \pi^+ n$	$\gamma^*p \to K^+ \Sigma^0$
$\overline{\gamma^*p \to \pi^0 p}$	$\gamma^* p \to K^0 \Sigma^+$

- Strikman, Weiss (2008) -

- Diehl, Kugler, Schaefer, Weiss (2005) -



summary



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