# Two photon exchange: theoretical issues

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### Proton $G_E/G_M$ Ratio



 $\underline{\text{LT}} \text{ method}$  $\sigma_R = G_M^2(Q^2) + \frac{\varepsilon}{\tau} G_E^2(Q^2)$ 

- $\rightarrow G_E$  from slope in  $\varepsilon$  plot
- $\rightarrow$  suppressed at large  $Q^2$

 $\frac{PT}{G_E} = -\sqrt{\frac{\tau(1+\varepsilon)}{2\varepsilon}} \frac{P_T}{P_L}$ 

 $\rightarrow P_{T,L}$  recoil proton polarization in  $\vec{e} \ p \rightarrow e \ \vec{p}$ 



### Two-photon exchange

interference between Born and two-photon exchange amplitudes



contribution to cross section:

$$\delta^{(2\gamma)} = \frac{2\mathcal{R}e\left\{\mathcal{M}_{0}^{\dagger} \mathcal{M}_{\gamma\gamma}\right\}}{\left|\mathcal{M}_{0}\right|^{2}}$$

standard "soft photon approximation" (used in most data analyses)

- $\longrightarrow$  approximate integrand in  $\mathcal{M}_{\gamma\gamma}$  by values at  $\gamma^*$  poles
- $\rightarrow$  neglect nucleon structure (no form factors) *Mo*, *Tsai* (1969)

Partonic (GPD) calculation of two-photon exchange contribution (Chen et al.)



"handbag"



valid at large  $Q^2$ :  $\delta^{hard}$ 

### handbag diagrams (one active quark)

to reproduce the IR divergent contribution at nucleon correctly (Low Energy Theorem):  $\delta^{\rm soft}$ 

need cat's ears diagrams (two active quarks)

Corrections to unpolarized cross sections for Q<sup>2</sup>=1 to 6 GeV<sup>2</sup>



### Effect on SLAC reduced cross sections at different $Q^2$

(normalized to dipole  $G_{D}^{2}$ )



### SuperRosenbluth (JLAB) data



#### Effect on ratio of e<sup>+</sup>p to e<sup>-</sup>p cross sections (SLAC, Q<sup>2</sup> from 0.01 to 5 GeV<sup>2</sup>) M<sub>Born</sub> opposite sign for e<sup>+</sup>p

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proton correction at low  $Q^2$ 

![](_page_9_Figure_1.jpeg)

### proton correction at Q<sup>2</sup>=0.01 GeV<sup>2</sup>

![](_page_10_Figure_1.jpeg)

•Essentially independent of mass (same for muon, free quarks) •At high  $Q^2$ ,  $G_M$  dominates the loop integral

•At low  $Q^2$ ,  $G_E$  dominates

neutron correction vanishes at low Q<sup>2</sup> (pointlike neutron)

#### Neutron

- No infrared divergences
- Positive and about 2-3 times smaller than proton (dominance of magnetic form factor?)
- Some model dependence due to choice of form factors (blue 0.03 curve)  $= 6 \, \text{GeV}^2$ 0.02  $\delta^{\text{full}}(\varepsilon, Q^2)$ 0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 0

ε

### Effect on ratio R

**Global Analysis:** 

(Arrington, Melnitchouk & Tjon, PRC, 2007)

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Resonance ( $\Delta$ ) contribution:  $\gamma(q^{\alpha}) + \Delta(p^{\mu}) \rightarrow N$ 

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- Spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  decoupled
- Obeys gauge symmetries

$$p_{\mu}\Gamma^{\alpha\mu}(p,q) = 0$$
$$q_{\alpha}\Gamma^{\alpha\mu}(p,q) = 0$$

$$\Gamma^{\alpha\mu}_{\gamma\Delta\to N}(p,q) = \frac{ieF_{\Delta}(q^2)}{2M_{\Delta}^2} \{ g_1(g^{\alpha\mu} \not\!\!/ q - p^{\alpha} \gamma^{\mu} q - \gamma^{\alpha} \gamma^{\mu} p \cdot q + \gamma^{\alpha} \not\!\!/ q^{\mu}) + g_2(p^{\alpha} q^{\mu} - g^{\alpha\mu} p \cdot q) + g_2(p^{\alpha} q^{\mu} - g^{\alpha\mu} p \cdot q) + (g_3/M_{\Delta}) \left( q^2(p^{\alpha} \gamma^{\mu} - g^{\alpha\mu} \not\!\!/ p) + q^{\alpha} (q^{\mu} \not\!\!/ - \gamma^{\mu} p \cdot q) \right) \gamma_5 T_3$$

3 coupling constants  $g_1$ ,  $g_2$ , and  $g_3$ At  $\Delta$  pole:  $g_1$  magnetic  $(g_2-g_1)$  electric  $g_3$  Coulomb

Take dipole FF  $F_{\Delta}(q^2) = 1/(1-q^2/\Lambda_{\Delta}^2)^2$  with  $\Lambda_{\Delta} = 0.84 \text{ GeV}$ 

### Other resonances

### N (P11), ∆ (P33) + D13, D33, P11, S11, S31

Parameters from dressed K-matrix model

**Results** 

![](_page_14_Figure_4.jpeg)

### Phenomenology: Generalized form factors

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In limit  $m_e \to 0$  (helicity conservation) general amplitude can be put in form  $T = (\gamma_\mu)^{(e)} \otimes \left( \tilde{F}_1 \gamma^\mu + i \frac{\tilde{F}_2}{2M} \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu + \frac{F_3}{M^2} \gamma \cdot K P^\mu \right)^{(p)}$ 

In general, 16 independent amplitudes:

parity 16  $\rightarrow$  8; time reversal 8  $\rightarrow$  6; helicity conservation (m<sub>e</sub>=0) 6  $\rightarrow$  3

$$\tilde{G}_M = \tilde{F}_1 + \tilde{F}_2$$
$$\tilde{G}_E = \tilde{F}_1 - \tau \tilde{F}_2$$
$$Y_2 = \frac{\nu}{M^2} \frac{F_3}{G_M}$$

Observables including two-photon exchange

$$\frac{\delta\sigma}{\sigma_0} = 2 \frac{\left\{\epsilon \left(\frac{\delta G_E}{G_E}\right) G_E^2 + \tau \left(\frac{\delta G_M}{G_M}\right) G_M^2 + \epsilon Y_2 (\tau G_M^2 + G_M G_E)\right\}}{\epsilon G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2}$$

$$\frac{\delta P_L}{P_L} = 2\left(\frac{\delta G_M}{G_M}\right) + 2\frac{\epsilon}{1+\epsilon}Y_2 - \frac{\delta\sigma}{\sigma_0}$$
$$\frac{\delta P_T}{P_T} = \left(\frac{\delta G_M}{G_M}\right) + \left(\frac{\delta G_E}{G_E}\right) + \frac{G_M}{G_E}Y_2 - \frac{\delta\sigma}{\sigma_0}$$

Caution needed about assumptions (generalized FF's are not observables)

Parametrization of amplitude NOT unique Axial parametrization:  $G_A' (\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_5)^{(e)} (\gamma^{\mu}\gamma_5)^{(p)}$  instead of  $F_3$  (or  $Y_2$ ) term shifts some  $F_3$  into  $\delta F_1$  (and hence into  $\delta G_E$  and  $\delta G_M$ )

$$\vec{e} + p \rightarrow e + \vec{p}$$

Corrections to  $P_L$  and  $P_T$  at  $Q^2=1$ , 3, and 6 GeV<sup>2</sup>

![](_page_17_Figure_2.jpeg)

 $P_T/P_L$  will show some variation with  $\varepsilon$ , esp. at low  $\varepsilon$ JLab data taken at  $\varepsilon$ ~0.7 JLAB expt (Gilman) measures  $P_T/P_L$  at low  $\varepsilon$ GPD calculation predicts suppression of  $P_T/P_L$ 

## SSA in elastic eN scattering

spin of beam OR target

**OR** recoil proton

NORMAL to scattering

![](_page_18_Figure_4.jpeg)

plane

on-shell intermediate state ( $M_X = W$ )

involves the imaginary part of two-photon exchange amplitudes

Target: general formula of order e<sup>2</sup>

- GPD model allows connection of real and imaginary amplitudes
- Hadronic models sensitive to intermediate state contributions, no reliable theoretical calculations at present

Beam: general formula of order  $m_e e^2$  (few ppm)

- Measured in PV experiments (longitudinally polarized electrons) at SAMPLE and A4 (Mainz)
- Only non-zero result so far for TPEX

### TPEX using dispersion relations (Borisyuk & Kobushkin, PRC **78**, 2008)

![](_page_19_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_20_Figure_0.jpeg)

Recent pQCD calculation: Borisyuk & Kobushkin, PRD 79, 2009

(a) one-photon exchange: need 2 hard gluons to turn momentum of all 3 quarks

$$lpha lpha_s^2/Q^6$$

(b) two-photon exchange: leading order needs 1 hard gluon

$$lpha^2 lpha_s/Q^6$$
 trejope ~  $lpha/lpha^s$ 

subleading order (both photons on one quark) requires 2 hard gluons

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Comparison of hadronic and pQCD results

Connect smoothly around  $Q^2 = 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ 

### Parity-violating *e* scattering

Left-right polarization asymmetry in  $\vec{e} \ p \rightarrow e \ p$  scattering

$$A_{\rm PV} = \frac{\sigma_L - \sigma_R}{\sigma_L + \sigma_R} = -\left(\frac{G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\alpha}\right) \left(A_V + A_A + A_s\right)$$

measure interference between e.m. and weak currents

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}_{PV} &= \frac{2\Re\left\{M_{\gamma}^{\dagger}\bar{M}_{Z}\right\} - \frac{1}{|M_{\gamma}|^{2}} - \frac{1}{4\kappa} \underbrace{\operatorname{Sing}^{2}r \partial_{W}}_{\text{interfere with } \mathcal{M}_{Z}} (\mathcal{M}_{\gamma} \xrightarrow{E} \mathcal{M}_{\gamma} + \mathcal{M}_{\gamma\gamma}) / c}_{\text{interfere with } \mathcal{M}_{Z}} (\mathcal{M}_{\gamma} \xrightarrow{E} \mathcal{M}_{\gamma} + \mathcal{M}_{\gamma\gamma}) \\ \end{split}$$

Afanasev and Carlson (PRL 2005) used generalized form factors to analyze effect of  $\gamma\gamma$  on A (GPD model)

 $\frac{G_{E,M}^{Zp} = (1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W)G_{E,M}^{\gamma p} - G_{E,M}^{\gamma n} - G_{E,M}^s}{\frac{G_{E,M}^{Zp} - G_{E,M}^{\gamma n} - G_{E,M}^s}{1 - G_{E,M}^s}}$ 

### Two-boson exchange corrections

![](_page_24_Figure_1.jpeg)

Current PDG estimates (of " $\gamma(Z\gamma)$ ") computed at  $Q^2 = 0$ Marciano, Sirlin (1980)

Erler, Ramsey-Musolf (2003)

Zhou, Kao & Yang, PRL 2007; Tjon & Melnitchouk, PRL 2008

 $A_{PV}$  vs.  $\varepsilon$  for Q<sup>2</sup> = 0.1, 0.5, 1.0, 3.0 GeV<sup>2</sup> (TPE only)

![](_page_25_Figure_1.jpeg)

### Tjon, Blunden & Melnitchouk, nucl-th/0903.2759

![](_page_26_Figure_1.jpeg)

#### Nucleon and Delta contribution

![](_page_27_Figure_1.jpeg)

### $\delta_{\gamma(\gamma Z)}$ $\Delta$ contribution enhanced at forward angles and low Q<sup>2</sup>

enhancement  $(1+Q_{\rm weak})/Q_{\rm weak} \approx 14$ 

![](_page_28_Figure_2.jpeg)

### YZ contribution to Qweak using dispersion relations (Gorchtein & Horowitz, PRL 2009)

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FIG. 3: Results for  $\operatorname{Re}\delta_{\gamma Z_A}$  as function of energy. The contributions of nucleon resonances (dashed line), Regge (dash-dotted line) and the sum of the two (solid line) are shown.

TPE contribution to proton FF's in time-like region:  $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow p + \bar{p}$ 

Chen, Zhou & Dong, PRC 78 (2008)

![](_page_30_Figure_2.jpeg)

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FIG. 6. Typical diagrams for lepton pair production from a 3-quark proton.

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FIG. 7. Lepton pair asymmetry from a proton target.

# Outlook

- Use phenomenological form factors in analyzing data, extracting strange form factors, etc.
- Merge hadronic models with GPD or pQCD calculations for  $\gamma\gamma$  and  $\gamma Z?$
- Recent work on TPE seems to indicate insensitivity to off-shell form factors

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