Positrons at JLab



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Elastic Proton Form Factors

The preliminary results of E04_108 and 04-019 at Jlab.

At 2.49 GeV², weighted average of 3 measurements at ϵ =0.14, 0.63 and 0.785. 0.01 statistics, very small point-to-point systematics

At 5.2 GeV², chosen for χ=180⁰ spin precession, hence Pn=Pℓ*sin χ ≈0;a check point.

At 6.8 GeV², final error

At 8.54 GeV², current and proposal error bars shown; systematics not known yet.



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2- γ exchange

Theoretical studies seem unambiguous:

- 2-γ exchange explains the difference from Rosenbluth



Arrington, Melnitchouk and Tjon, 2007

Change of sign of interference with e⁺ would provide unambiguous experimental confirmation

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Strangeness & Electromagnetic Form Factors

Experiment: Need Parity Violation



Theory: Disconnected diagram



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Strangeness Content of the Proton from PVES



PACS-CS Data

(Aoki et al., arXiv:0807.1661[hep-lat])



Summary of Results of Combined Fits (of 2008 LHPC & PACS-CS data)

B	Mass (GeV)	$\bar{\sigma}_{Bl}$	$\bar{\sigma}_{Bs}$	
N	0.939(19)(4)(2)	0.054(7)(2)(2)	0.020(11)(7)(3)	
Λ	1.108(11)(10)(1)	0.0296(31)(5)(10)	0.138(11)(2)(2)	
\sum	1.185(9)(2)(1)	0.0221(20)(7)(7)	0.176(11)(6)(2)	
[I]	1.321(9)(20)(0)	0.0095(7)(4)(0)	0.236(11)(4)(3)	

$$\bar{\sigma}_{Bq} = (m_q/M_B)\partial M_B/\partial m_q$$

Of particular interest:

$$\label{eq:starses} \begin{split} &\sigma \ commutator \ well \ determined: \sigma_{\pi N} = 51 \ (6) \ (2) \ (2) \ MeV \\ & \text{and strangeness sigma commutator } \underline{small} \\ & m_s \ \partial M_N / \ \partial \ m_s = 18 \ (10) \ (6) \ (3) \ MeV \\ & \text{NOT several 100 MeV } \end{split}$$

Profound Consequences for Dark Matter Searches

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Hadronic Uncertainties in the Elastic Scattering of Supersymmetric Dark Matter

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We find that the spin-independent cross section may vary by almost an order of magnitude for 48 MeV $< \Sigma_{\pi N} < 80$ MeV, the ± 2 - σ range according to the uncertainties in Table I. This uncertainty is already impacting the interpretations of experimental searches for cold dark matter. Propagating the ± 2 - σ uncertainties in $\Delta_s^{(p)}$, the next most important parameter, we find a variation by a factor ~ 2 in the spin-dependent cross section. Since the spinindependent cross section may now be on the verge of detectability in certain models, and the uncertainty in the cross section is far greater, we appeal for a greater, dedicated effort to reduce the experimental uncertainty in the π -nucleon σ term $\Sigma_{\pi N}$. This quantity is not just an object of curiosity for those interested in the structure of the nucleon and nonperturbative strong-interaction effects: it may also be key to understanding new physics beyond the Standard Model.

$$\mathcal{L} = \alpha_{2i} \bar{\chi} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma^{5} \chi (\bar{q}_{i} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma^{5} q_{i}) + \alpha_{3i} \bar{\chi} \chi (\bar{q}_{i} q_{i}) \sigma \text{ terms}$$
Neutralino (0.3 GeV / cc :WMAP)
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Strange quark parton distributions unknown

- Sign of s sbar as a function of x important for NuTeV
- Must be non-zero in general because of chiral symmetry
- Charge current measurements (μ^+ or μ^- in final state) would be unambiguous

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- probably ELIC rather than 12 GeV



Distribution of Proton Spin

- Polarized gluons play little or no role
- Modern analysis suggests that a significant fraction of the spin is carried as orbital angular momentum of quarks and anti-quarks









DVCS – promising model dependent results



Theory MUST reproduce the absolute σ – hence e⁺ vs e⁻

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HERA results for DIS

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- e⁻ final results
- γ/Z^0 interference
- $e^+ vs e^- \Rightarrow xF_3$

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High Q² charged currents



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The EMC Effect: Nuclear PDFs

- Observation stunned the nuclear & particle communities 20 years ago
- Nearly 1,000 papers have been generated.....



What is the significance?

- Only prediction (Krzywicki, Phys.Rev.D14:152,1976) modeled nucleus as bag of 168 quarks – not at all "realistic" as a description of nuclear structure
- BUT correctly realized:

 $H_{QCD} |N\rangle = m(N) |N\rangle$ $H_{QCD} |^{208}Pb\rangle = m(^{208}Pb) |^{208}Pb\rangle ... etc.$

- i.e. nuclei are *different* eigenstates of the QCD Hamiltonian and any relation between them is model dependent
- Why description of nucleon structure as "structure of building blocks of atomic nuclei" is unappealing....





Explanations

- Binding and Fermi motion corrections do not work
- All descriptions which describe data and satisfy basic theoretical constraints involve a fundamental change in the structure of bound "nucleon"
- Discovering how the structure is modified and the role this plays in nuclear structure (and structure of dense matter) is one of the most fundamental issues facing nuclear physics and a task for which JLab is ideally suited.... but has not yet delivered
- Any successful theory must describe free nucleon structure and observables, describe properties of nuclear matter & finite nuclei and ideally explain effective NN forces

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Effect of Isovector-Vector Potential in DIS

• Recall:
$$q_A(x_A) = \frac{M_N}{M_N} q_{A0} \left(\frac{M_N}{M_N} x_A - \frac{V_q}{M_N} \right)$$

• $N \neq Z \implies u$ - and d -quarks feel different V_q
• $N > Z \implies V_u < V_d$, $\langle x u^- \rangle < \langle x d^- \rangle$
• Therefore: $\langle x u_A^- \rangle < \langle x u_0^- \rangle$, $\langle x d_A^- \rangle > \langle x d_0^- \rangle$
• Vector fields maintain momentum sum rule!!
• Isoscalarity: $\langle x u_0^- - x d_0^- \rangle = 0$, $\langle x u_A^- - x d_A^- \rangle < 0$
• Recall $\Delta R_{PW}^{CSV} \simeq \left(1 - \frac{7}{3} \sin^2 \Theta_W\right) \frac{\langle x u_A^- - x d_A^- \rangle}{\langle x u_A^- + x d_A^- \rangle}$
• Therefore ΔR_{PW}^{CSV} is negative – after isoscalarity
• ρ_0 vector field reduces anomaly – Model Independent!!

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Isovector EMC Effect Eliminates NuTeV Anomaly

NuTeV: $sin^2\theta_w = 0.2277 \pm 0.0013 \pm 0.0009$

- : with isovector $\text{EMC}^* \rightarrow 0.2245$ (2 σ)
- : with CSV \rightarrow 0.2228 (1 σ)

c.f. Standard Model: 0.2227 \pm 0.0004

- Thus, with additional (almost model independent) effect of charge symmetry violation (Londergan et al.), NuTeV agrees perfectly with Standard Model
- Alternatively, given Standard Model (c.f. PVES) NuTeV may be seen as a remarkable confirmation of the in-medium modification of nucleon structure!
 within nuclear physics equally significant!!

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PV DIS



Isovector EMC Effect ⇒ **Clean Test**



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Light Dark Matter

- Talk of Bogdan Wojtsekhowski....
- Motivated by intense signal of 511 keV X-rays from galactic centre – INTEGRAL satellite
- Possible source (e.g. Fayet 1980) U-boson mass ~ few to 10's of MeV coupling to e⁺ e⁻

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