OLYMPUS

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$$\frac{\sigma_{e^+p}}{\sigma_{e^-p}} \approx 1 + \frac{4\text{Re}\{\mathcal{M}_{2\gamma}\mathcal{M}_{1\gamma}\}}{|\mathcal{M}_{1\gamma}|^2}$$

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- 60 scientists from 13 institutions in 6 countries
- Detector previously used in the BLAST experiment at MIT
- Collected data at DESY, Hamburg, Germany





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Over 4 fb⁻¹ recorded!














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The Møller cross section is 60% larger than the Bhabha cross section.



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$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{N_{\text{multi}} \times N_{\text{bunches}}}{N_{\text{Møller}} \times \sigma_{ep}} + \dots \text{ corrections}$$

This is immune to:

- Møller/Bhabha simulation errors
- Detector/DAQ inefficiency
- Beam position errors

Accuracy better than 0.3%!

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Simulate with Monte Carlo!

Experimental data and simulated data are analyzed with the same software.



$$R_{2\gamma} = \frac{N_{e^+p}^{e\times p.}}{\sigma_{e^+p}^{sim.}\mathcal{L}_{e^+p}} \times \frac{\sigma_{e^-p}^{sim.}\mathcal{L}_{e^-p}}{N_{e^-p}^{e\times p.}}$$

Simulating radiative corrections give us freedom in our elastic selection.



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After background subtraction, we can form yields.



We can test our simulation without biasing the result.

1 Left/right ratio:

$$\frac{R_L}{R_R} \equiv \left(\frac{\sigma^{exp.}}{\sigma^{sim.}}\right)_L / \left(\frac{\sigma^{exp.}}{\sigma^{sim.}}\right)_R$$

2 Lepton-averaged cross section ratio:

$$\frac{\bar{\sigma}^{exp.}}{\bar{\sigma}^{sim.}} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{e^+p}^{exp.} + \sigma_{e^-p}^{exp.}}{\sigma_{e^+p}^{sim.} + \sigma_{e^-p}^{sim.}}$$

Left/right comparisons can reveal deviations.



Lepton-averaged cross section is limited by knowedge of the form factors.



We exploit redundancy to control our systematics.

Acceptance

- $\blacksquare \longrightarrow \mathsf{Lepton}\mathsf{-}\mathsf{averaged}$ cross section
- $\blacksquare \longrightarrow \mathsf{Left-right} ratio$
- Luminosity
 - $\blacksquare \longrightarrow \mathsf{Two}$ independent monitors
- Radiative corrections / form factors
 - $\blacksquare \longrightarrow$ Simulate multiple corrections, form factor models
- Tracking efficiency
 - \blacksquare \longrightarrow Two independent track-reconstruction algorithms
- Event selection / background subtraction
 - $\blacksquare \longrightarrow \mathsf{Multiple} \text{ independent analyses}$

Results will be released when we are confident in all of our systematic checks.

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- Expect results soon.



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Figs. 1 and 2 from PRL 114, 062005 (2015)

VEPP-3 results


Results from CLAS and VEPP-3



Back-up Slides



Standard radiative corrections neglect hard two-photon exchange.



Multi-interaction analysis results

