Towards mechanical properties of the proton



What have we learned from experiments?

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Gravitational waves observed







- Gravity governs movements of massive structures in the universe.
- Gravity plays a decisive role in neutron stars leading to the most densely packed matter in the universe.
- The recently observed gravitational waves resulted from the merger of two neutron stars that told us much about their the equation of state of matter in neutron stars.
- Can we use gravitational waves to probe the mechanical properties of hadrons, e.g. the proton?





Focus on the Proton



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Hadrons are formed in the crossover from the QGP phase to the hadron phase μ -sec after the big bang.

The proton emerges as the absolute stable, most fundamental bound-state in nature.

The proton's mechanical properties are of high interest to learn about the internal forces that provide its absolute stability $\tau > 10^{29}$ years.



Basic questions about the proton

• Protons make up nearly 90% of the mass of ordinary matter in the universe. Elementary quarks contribute a fraction to the proton's mass

What is the origin of its mass?

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- Quarks and gluons formed stable protons as the universe cooled below 10¹² K micro-seconds after the Big Bang What is the origin of confinement ?
- The strong interaction is thought responsible for confinement
 How does the distribution of strong forces contribute to the proton's stability and to confinement?









Probing the internal structure of the proton

The internal structure of strongly interacting quarks and gluons can be probed by means of the weaker, fundamental forces: *electromagnetic, weak,* and *gravity*.



To learn experimentally more about the proton's mechanical properties → we must probe its energy-momentum tensor (EMT)





Energy Momentum Tensor $T^{\mu\nu}$

The framework for probing the proton EMT was developed in the 1960's; but no data existed to put it to the test.



"... there is very little hope of learning anything about the detailed mechanical structure of a particle, because of the extreme weakness of the gravitational interaction." (H. Pagels, 1966) Yu. Kobzarev and L.B. Okun, JETP 16, 5 (1963) H. Pagels, Phys. Rev. 144 (1966) 1250-1260

$$T^{ij}(\mathbf{r}) = \left(\frac{r^i r^j}{r^2} - \frac{1}{3}\delta^{ij}\right) \underline{s^Q(r)} + \delta^{ij} \underline{p^Q(r)}$$

$$d_1^Q(t) = 5M_p \int d^3 \mathbf{r} \frac{j_2(r\sqrt{-t})}{t} \underline{s}^Q(r)$$
$$d_1^Q(t) = 15M_p \int d^3 \mathbf{r} \frac{j_0(r\sqrt{-t})}{2t} \underline{p}^Q(r)$$

s^{*Q*}(*r*): shear stress; *p*^{*Q*}(*r*): pressure *j*₀, *j*₂: 0th, 2nd order spherical Bessel functions

Extract: $s^{Q}(r)$, $p^{Q}(r)$ with Fourier transform of $d_{1}^{Q}(t)$ to coordinate space.

→ Use a substitute that mimics gravity → DVCS





GPDs, DVCS, and Gravity



4 chiral even GPDs describe soft part. GPD *H* is important to access gravitational form factor *D(t)*.

DVCS is a suitable probe of mechanical properties of particles



The 2γ field couples to the EMT as gravity does, with many orders of magnitude greater strength.





Moments of GPD & GFF Relations

The proton's matrix element of the EMT contains 3 gravitational form factors (GFF) and can be written as:

$$\langle p_2 | \hat{T}^q_{\mu\nu} | p_1 \rangle = \bar{U}(p_2) \left[\frac{M_2^q(t)}{M} \frac{P_{\mu}P_{\nu}}{M} + J^q(t) \frac{i(P_{\mu}\sigma_{\nu\rho} + P_{\nu}\sigma_{\mu\rho})\Delta^{\rho}}{2M} + d_1^q(t) \frac{\Delta_{\mu}\Delta_{\nu} - g_{\mu\nu}\Delta^2}{5M} \right] U(p_1)$$

- $M_2(t)$: Mass/energy distribution inside the proton
- *J(t)* : Angular momentum distribution

 $d_1(t)$: Shear forces and pressure distribution

M. Polyakov, PL B555 (2003) 57

GPDs GFFs

$$\int \mathrm{d}x \, x \left[\underline{H}(x,\xi,t) + \underline{E}(x,\xi,t)\right] = 2\underline{J}(t)$$
$$\int \mathrm{d}x \, x \underline{H}(x,\xi,t) = \underline{M}_2(t) + \frac{4}{5}\xi^2 d_1(t),$$

In DVCS, GPDs are not directly accessible at all x and ξ , but only at the constrained kinematics: $x = \pm \xi$



From GPDs to CFFs

GPDs do not appear directly in experimental observables related to DVCS, but through **complex** Compton Form Factors, e.g. $\mathcal{H}(\xi, t)$:

$$\mathcal{H}(\xi,t) = \int_{-1}^{+1} dx H(x,\xi,t) \left(\frac{1}{\xi - x - i\epsilon} - \frac{1}{\xi + x - i\epsilon}\right) dx$$



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$$\overrightarrow{ep} \rightarrow ep\gamma$$

1) Polarized electron beam – BSA $\Delta \sigma_{LU} \sim \text{kin. sin} \phi \operatorname{Im}[F_1 \mathcal{H} + \xi(F_1 + F_2) \mathcal{H} + kF_2 \mathcal{E}] \Delta \phi$ dominant

2) Unpolarized beam – cross section

 $\Delta \sigma_{UU} \sim \text{kin. sin}\phi[\mathcal{HH}^*+...]\Delta \phi$

3) Fixed-t dispersion relation

I.V. Anikin and O.V. Teryaev, Phys.Rev.D76, 056007 (2007) M. Diehl and D.Y. Ivanov, Eur. Phys. J. C52, 919, (2007)





The CLAS Detector - in operation from 1997 to 2012



B. Mecking et al., Nuclear Instr. Meth. A 503 (2003) 513-553

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- Large program in N* physics both
 in photo- and electroproduction.
 The program contributed to the
 discovery and confirmation of
 many N* candidate states.
- Polarized photon beams and polarized targets.
- Pioneered deeply virtual Compton
 Scattering (DVCS) leading to first
 extraction of a gravitational form
 factor.

=> focus of this presentation

 $L \sim 10^{34} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$





DVCS-BH BSA & Cross-Sections





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H.S. Jo et al., Phys.Rev.Lett. 115 (2015)





Sample fits to determine $Im \mathcal{H}$ and $Re \mathcal{H}$



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Samples of differential cross sections with fits



Uncertainties for cross section are larger

Extracting CFF Im \mathcal{H} and Re \mathcal{H}



 $-t= 0.13 - 0.15 \text{ GeV}^2$

Re \mathcal{H} has strong sensitivity to $\Delta(t)$



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Extraction of $\Delta(t)$ and $d_1(t)$ for quark distribution



⊿(0)	=	-2.27	±	0.16	±	0.36
M ²	=	1.02	±	0.13	±	0.21
α	=	2.76	±	0.23	±	0.48

 $\Delta(t) \propto d_1^{Q}(t)$ in double-distribution parameterization

$$\Delta(t) = 2 \int_{-1}^{1} dz \frac{D(z,t)}{1-z} \qquad -1 < z = x/\xi < 1$$
$$D(z,t) = (1-z^2) \left[e_u^2 + e_d^2\right] \frac{d_1^Q(t)}{2} 3z \qquad \qquad d_1^Q(t) \approx \frac{9}{10} \Delta(t)$$

 $d_1^{Q}(t)$ - first coefficient in Gegenbauer polynomial expansion.

Estimate of next to leading term in χ QSM: $d_3^Q/d_1^Q \sim 0.3$ \rightarrow Use as **systematic uncertainty** in estimating the force/pressure distributions.



Pressure on Quarks in the Proton

M. Polyakov, PL B555 (2003) 57



V.B., L. Elouadrhiri, F.X. Girod, Nature 557 (2018) 7705, 396

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Uncertainties from fit to world data prior to CLAS.

Uncertainties for analysis with CLAS data only.

Normal stress (r=0.6fm): $F_n = 4\pi r^2 [2/3 s^Q(r) + p^Q(r)]$ ~(20±11)×10³ N

 $p^Q(r)$ changes sign @ 0.6±0.1fm

 $\int_0^\infty r^2 p(r) dr = 0$

Pressure distribution for gluons in LQCD: P. Shanahan and W. Detmold, PRL 122 (2019) 7,072003



Shear Stress on Quarks



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Uncertainties of fit to world data prior to inclusion of CLAS6.



Uncertainties for analysis with CLAS6 data only.

Shear stress near r = 0.6 fm: $4\pi r^2 s(r) = 0.238 \text{ GeV/fm}$

~(38 \pm 20)×10³ N





Normal & Tangential Stress on Quarks



Normal stress: $F_n = 4\pi r^2 [2/3 s(r) + p(r)]$

Normal stress is positive at all r

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Tangential stress: $F_t = 4\pi r^2 [-1/3 s(r) + p(r)]$



Tangential stress changes direction near r ~ 0.45 fm



Proton mechanical Radius

Physical size is a basic property of the proton, experimentally nothing is known about the proton's **mechanical** radius.

Mechanical mean square radius:

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_{\text{mech}} = \frac{\int d^3 r \ r^2 \ \left[\frac{2}{3}s(r) + p(r)\right]}{\int d^3 r \ \left[\frac{2}{3}s(r) + p(r)\right]} = \frac{6D}{\int_{-\infty}^0 dt \ D(t)}$$

M. Polyakov and P. Schweitzer, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A33 (2018) 26, 1830025

$$D(t) = D \left[1 + \frac{-t}{M^2} \right]^{-\alpha}$$

For the multipolar form in the fit :

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_{\rm mech} = 6(\alpha - 1)/M^2$$

$$\sqrt{r^2}_{mech} = 0.63 \pm 0.06 (fit) \pm 0.13 (sys) fm$$



Mechanical radius versus charge radius

	Mechanical (fm)	Charge (fm)		
Proton	0.63 ± 0.06(fit) ± 0.13 (sys)	0.8408 ± 0.0004		
Neutron	$\mathbf{r_n}\cong\mathbf{r_p}$ (isospin)	r^2 = - 0.1161 ± 0.0022 (fm ²)		

• The proton's mechanical radius is significantly smaller than its charge radius.



- The charge radius is measured in elastic scattering at small Q² as the slope of the electric charge form factor, which is influenced by the proton's peripheral pion cloud.
- The mechanical radius is measured at large Q², and is integrated over the entire -t range. The probe couples to mass and pressure that are concentrated closer to the proton's center.
- The neutron mechanical radius is expected the same as the proton.





Current operation of CLAS12 at JLab (Hall B)

In operation since 2018

Hadronic physics at higher energies, and luminosity L= 10³⁵cm⁻²s⁻¹, polarized target operation.

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Nuclear Instr. Meth. A959 (2020) 163419



Time-like Compton Scattering





Im $\mathcal{H}(\xi, t)$, Re $\mathcal{H}(\xi, t)$ are projected out through beam polarization ν and the ϕ dependence of σ_{INT}



First results on TCS from CLAS12



P. Chatagnon et al. (CLAS), PRL 127 (2021) 26, 262501

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JLab@12 GeV – Hall A, CLAS12 RGA, RGB, RGC









Quark orbital angular momentum

- So far we have considered only mechanical properties that required knowledge of the Compton Form Factor \mathcal{H} to determine GFF $d_1(t)$.
- To get access to the angular momentum distribution defined in the Ji sum rule requires information on CFF \mathcal{E} .

$$\int \mathrm{d}x \, x \left[H(x,\xi,t) + E(x,\xi,t) \right] \, = \, 2J(t)$$

Determination of $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{E}}$ requires DVCS measurements with a transversely polarized proton target.

 $\Delta \sigma_{\rm UT} \sim \cos \phi \sin(\phi_s - \phi) \, \mathrm{k} \, \mathrm{Im} \{ \mathrm{F}_2 \mathcal{H} - \mathrm{F}_1 \mathcal{E} \}$

With CFF $Im \mathcal{H}$ known, determination of $Im \mathcal{E}$ requires DVCS measurements on transversely polarized proton target.





CLAS12 GPD program



Number	Title	Contact	Days	Energy	Target	Data status
E12-06-108	Hard Exclusive Electroproduction of π^{0} and η	Kubarovski	80	11	IH ₂	50%
E12-06-119	Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering	Sabatie	80	11	IH ₂	45%
E12-06-119	Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering	Sabatie	120	11	NH ₃	currently running
E12-11-003	DVCS on Neutron Target	Niccolai	90	11	ID ₂	45%
E12-12-001	Timelike Compton Scat. & J/Ψ prod. in e ⁺ e	Nadel-Turonski	120	11	IH ₂	35%
E12-12-007	Exclusive ϕ meson electroproduction	Girod	60	11	IH ₂	60%
C12-12-010	DVCS with a transverse target	Elouadrhiri	110	11	NH ₃	in prep.
E12-16-010	DVCS with CLAS12 at 6.6 GeV and 8.8 GeV	D'Angelo	50+50	6.6 & 8.8	IH ₂	scheduled 2023/24



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From proton ground state to pN* transition GPDs

 $ep \rightarrow eN^*\gamma \rightarrow eNM\gamma$



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See talk by Kyungseon JOO



J/ψ as probe of mechanical properties of glue

Use J/ψ production at threshold to probe gluon GPDs of the proton.



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See discussion by Harry Lee on Monday

GlueX, CLAS12 upgrade, SOLID

J/ψ mass provides short distance coupling to proton GPDs via 2-gluon exchange.

Electroproduction probes gluon CFF \mathcal{H}_g , \mathcal{E}_g , to measure gluonic contribution to shear, pressure, and J_g.



Precision studies of QCD@EIC



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Credit: F.X. Girod



Summary and Outlook

- First data-based estimate of the stress and pressure on quarks in the proton
- Determination of the mechanical radius of the proton.

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- First results on TCS in the 12 GeV era confirm large contributions of the D-term extracted from DVCS at lower energies.
- New 12 GeV data extend the kinematic reach and precision with higher luminosity experiments.
- DVCS experiments with positron beam are planned with different sensitivity to gravitational form factors.
- Longer term plans to employ DDVCS to directly access GPDs in DVCS with luminosity upgraded CLAS12 and SOLID (Hall A).
- The proposed JLab energy upgrade will further extend kinematics reach to sea quarks. (Pohang workshop next week)
- The Electron Ion Collider can provide large increase in kinematic reach to low x, and probe the gluon contributions.

