## Polarization in Wide-Angle Compton Scattering

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### Wide-Angle Compton Scattering

• Mechanism of the reaction is a key question

If we can measure the process: What do we learn? What do we learn from polarization observables?

- JLab WACS experiments 2002, 2008
- Experimental results for polarization KLL
- Motivation for further measurements
- An approach for the most productive ALL experiment

### Mechanism of the process

Two basic options for the mechanism:

Collective response - several partons involved in high momentum interaction with the photons

Individual response - one quark absorbs an incident photon and the same quark emits a scattered photon



## Theoretical studies of the WACS process

- Regge poles VMD
- pQCD two-gluon
- Diquark model
- Leading quark
- GPDs (handbag)
- CQM
- SCET
- DSE

- since 1960s ..., Laget
- Brodsky, ..., Dixon, MVh,...
- Guichon&Kroll 1996
- Brodsky et al 1972,
- Radyushkin, Kroll et al
- G.Miller 2004
- Kivel&Vanderhaeghen
- Eichmann

Main issues:

- Competing mechanisms
- Interplay between hard and soft processes
- Threshold for onset of asymptotic regime
- Role of the hadron helicity flip

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FIG. 44. Diagram of the apparatus used by the DESY group for Compton scattering measurements (from Buschhorn *et al.*, 1971a).

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experiments with  $-t > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$  (WACS regime) • Cornell • JLab Hall A • JLab Hall C • Lab Hall C • Cornell • 2002 • 2008 • Cornell • 2002 • 2008 • 2008 • 2008 • 2008 • 2008 • 2008 • 2008 • 2008 • 2008 • 2008

Main issues:

- Competing reaction pion-0 photo-production
- Low cross section and small solid angle
- Low efficiency & analyzing power of the proton polarimetry
- Low limit on the polarized target luminosity

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raw asymmetry is of 0.05, systematics is below 10<sup>-4</sup>

E99-114 experiment in 2002



#### E07-002 experiment in 2008







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# Compton scattering



In the GPD approach, interaction goes with a single quark, and the handbag diagram dominates.

M.Diehl & P.Kroll

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{d\sigma}{dt}_{KN} \left( \frac{1}{2} \left[ R_V^2 + \frac{-t}{4m^2} R_T^2 + R_A^2 \right] - \frac{us}{s^2 + u^2} \left[ R_V^2 + \frac{-t}{4m^2} R_T^2 - R_A^2 \right] \right)$$
$$K_{LL} = A_{LL} \qquad K_{LL} \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{d\sigma(+,\uparrow)}{dt} - \frac{d\sigma(-,\uparrow)}{dt} \right]$$

- Test of the handbag predictions to the <10% level is an important task.
- The  $K_{LL}(A_{LL})$  asymmetry is an observable of choice to test a reaction mechanism.
- The NLO corrections are supposed to vary as 1/s (e.g. N.Kivel & M.Vanderhaeghen).

## FFs, GPDs and Polarization Observables



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$$R_{T}(t) = \sum_{a} e_{a}^{2} \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{dx}{x} E^{a}(x,0,t)$$

M.Diehl & P.Kroll

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{KN}}}{dt}K_{LL}^{\text{KN}} = \frac{2\pi\alpha_{\text{em}}^2}{(s-m^2)^2} \times \left[ -\frac{s-m^2}{u-m^2} + \frac{u-m^2}{s-m^2} - \frac{4m^2t^2(m^4-su)}{(s-m^2)^3(u-m^2)^2} \right],$$
  
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for m=0

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$$A_{LL} = K_{LL} = K_{LL}^{KN} \frac{R_A}{R_V} \left[ 1 - \frac{t^2}{2\left(s^2 + u^2\right)} \left(1 - \frac{R_A^2}{R_V^2}\right) \right]^{-1}$$

## GEp/GMp and WACS in SCET



N.Kivel & M.Vanderhaeghen





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## Physics Motivation: study of K<sub>LL</sub>



Strong evidence for handbag mechanism

PRL 94, 242001 (2005)

## Physics Motivation and a surprise



New measurement at large (doubled) s, t, u values is necessary to clarify the mechanism of WACS.

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E99-114 s=6.9, t=-4.0, u= -1.1 GeV<sup>2</sup>

E07-002 s=7.8, t=-2.1, u= -4.0 GeV<sup>2</sup>

What is the origin of large  $K_{LL}$ ?

Quark OAM?

Diquark u-d correlations?

## WACS experimental considerations

 $\succ K_{LL}$ 

- Beam intensity: 2 x  $10^{13}$   $\gamma/s$
- Polarimeter: figure-of-merit  $\sim 0.001$
- Solid angle of apparatus: HRS/HMS  $\sim 6\text{-}7\ \text{msr}$



- Beam intensity: 6 x  $10^{11}$   $\gamma/s$  (novel source)
- Target polarization: ~0.9
- Solid angle of apparatus: SBS  $\sim 70~msr$

Overall performance  $\sim 250$  better for  $A_{LL}$ 



# Proposed Experimental Setup



# Neutral Particle Spectrometer

Key parameters:

▶ Energy resolution ~ $2\%/\sqrt{E}$ 

➢ Radiation hardness PbWO4

> Area/segmentation: 72 cm x 60 cm /1100 crystals

≻ Coordinate resolution: 2-3 mm

# Super Bigbite Spectrometer

Key parameters:

Solid angle: 70 msr for angle above 15°

≻ Momentum acceptance: 2-10, GeV/c

≻ Angular range: from 5° (12 msr) to 45°

≻ Momentum resolution: 0.29 + 0.03\*p, %

> Angular resolution: 0.14 + 1.3/p, mrad

# **Compact Photon Source**



Novel concept allows high photon intensity and low radiation

# Compact Photon Source – hermetic concept



# Kinematic range

Detector acceptance will cover wide kinematic range in "one set".



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# Physics Motivation, projected accuracy



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## Other polarization experiments

A<sub>LT</sub> with the same apparatus as A<sub>LL</sub> but the transversely polarized target would require about 20 days of beam time

\* Σ asymmetry with Hall D apparatus,  $E \sim 9$  GeV, However, the flux (10<sup>7</sup> photons/s) limits: -t < 1 GeV<sup>2</sup>

## Experiment is always the answer



Fig. 1. Diagram of apparatus. On the hypothesis of radiation quanta, if a recoil electron is ejected at an angle  $\theta$ , the scattered quantum must proceed in a definite direction  $\phi_{calc}$ . In support of this view, many secondary  $\beta$ -ray tracks are found at angles  $\phi_{obs}$  for which  $\Delta$  is small.

These results do not appear to be reconcilable with the view of the statistical production of recoil and photo-electrons proposed by Bohr, Kramers and Slater. They are, on the other hand, in direct support of the view that energy and momentum are conserved during the interaction between radiation and individual electrons.

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## Summary

★ Large  $K_{LL}$  at  $\theta_{cm} = 70^{\circ}$ : WACS is not as simple as expected, even in the range of s/t/u projected GPD/SCET applicability.

A large acceptance spectrometer and a high resolution calorimeter allow a 10-fold increase in the acceptance.

A novel scheme of a photon source-electron-dump allows a 10-fold increase in the photon intensity.

With a factor of 100 of productivity gain, the A<sub>LL</sub> could be measured at  $s = 9 \& 11 \& 13 \& 15 \text{ GeV}^2$  at  $\theta_{cm} \sim 90^\circ$ , 120°