Measurement of the J/ ψ photoproduction cross section close to threshold

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The experimental evidence is very strong!

The interpretation is still uncertain:

- Tetraquark: diquark-antidiquark $\bar{3}_c \times 3_c \in 1_c$
- Molecule: meson-antimeson loosely bound $1_c \times 1_c \in 1_c$ "hadrocharmonium"
- Cusp kinematical effect

More information about their properties should help the interpretation

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LHCb Pentaquark

LHCb PRL, 115, 072001 (2015) $\Lambda_b^0 \to K^-(J/\psi p)$



Threshold of $\Sigma_c(2455)\overline{D}^*(2007) = 4462 \text{ MeV/c}^2$. The only mode detected $J/\psi p$

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Photoproduction of the Pentaquark: Predictions



http://cgl.soic.indiana.edu/jpac/PentaQ_JPsi.php

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In a *Broad-band photon beam* $\gamma + p \rightarrow J/\psi + p$ may include $\gamma + p \rightarrow P_c \rightarrow J/\psi + p$

Addressed in a number of papers:

- M. Voloshin et al PRD 92, 031502 (2015)
- Q. Wang et al PRD 92, 034022 (2015)
- M. Karliner et al PL 752, 329 (2016)

A. Hiller Blin et al PRD 94, 034002 (2016) JPAC

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$$P_c \rightarrow J/\psi \ p \stackrel{VMD}{\Rightarrow} \gamma \ p \rightarrow P_c$$

- Interference of t- and s-channels
- Using the measured Γ(P_c) the full cross section is calculable with one free parameter:

 $\sigma_{\gamma p
ightarrow J/\psi p}({\it E_{peak}}) \propto {\it BR}({\it P_c}
ightarrow J/\psi p)^2$



CEBAF at 12 GeV



Beam runs

year	<i>E_{MAX}</i> , GeV				
	A	В	С	D	
2016	10.9	-	-	12.0	
2017	10.6	10.6	8.5	11.7	
2018	10.6	10.6	10.6	11.7	



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Photon Beam Spectrum



Spectrometer parameters

- Acceptance: $1^{\circ} < \theta < 120^{\circ}$
 - Resolutions: h^{\pm} : $\sigma_p/p \sim 1 - 3\%$ γ : $\sigma_E/E \sim 6\%/\sqrt{E} + 2\%$
- Beam energy tagging ~0.1%
- Trigger: energy in the calorimeters





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Data Analysis for J/ψ

Reaction studied: $\gamma \ p \to J/\psi \ p$, $J/\psi \to e^+e^- \sigma(\gamma p \to \psi p) \times BR \sim 30 \text{ pb} \sim 0.3 \cdot 10^{-6} \times \sigma_{tot}(\gamma p \to hadrons)$



Event identification:

- PID for *p*: TOF, $\frac{dE}{dx}$ in drift chambers
- PID for e^{\pm} : EM calorimeters (challenge: large BG from $\pi^+\pi^-p$ events)
- Kinematic fit using the photon energy measured with a 0.1% resolution

The Bethe-Heitler reaction $\gamma p \rightarrow (e^+e^-)p$ used for normalization *(absolute efficiencies are not fully understood yet)*

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Energy dependence of the cross section



• SLAC:

U.Camerini et al, PRL 35 (1975) Calculated from the measured $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}|_{t=tmin}$ assuming $\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \propto e^{a \cdot t}, \ a = 2.9 \pm 0.3 \,\text{GeV}^{-2}$ measured at 19 GeV

• Cornell:

B.Gittelman et al, PRL 35 (1975) t-slope $a = 1.25 \pm 0.2 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ horizontal error bar represents the acceptance



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Unbinned distribution t vs E

The beam energy resolution is about $0.1\% \ll 0.6$ GeV bins The P_c is expected to produce broad *t*-distribution



• JPAC:
$$\frac{5}{2}^+$$
 BR = 3%

- White dots: J/ψ events from the peak
- No indication of event concentration at 10.1 GeV



Summary & Outlook

- Summary of the preliminary GlueX results
 - The first measurement of the cross section of the reaction $\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p$ close to threshold has been reported.
 - No statistically-significant evidence for the LHCb pentaquark has been observed. The model-predicted yield from $P_c(4450)(\frac{3}{2}^-) \rightarrow J/\psi p$, BR=2% (or $\frac{5}{2}^+$, BR=0.7%) is about $3\sigma(stat)$ above the experimental result.
- Outlook
 - GlueX is planning to analyze the full data sample and finalize the results before the end of the year. Also, we are planning to increase the sensitivity to the $P_c(4450)$ detection by using t E unbinned event analysis. Later, the 2018 data is expected to triple the statistics.
 - Other experiments at JLab (CLAS12 and Hall C) have been scheduled to the near future to measure the same process. Potentially, they would be able to reach a higher sensitivity.

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Identification of e^{\pm}

Using the track momentum p and the calorimeter energy E





Pion background for BH sample $1.5 < M(e^+e^-) < 2.5 \text{ GeV}$

- One e[±] identified
- *p*/*E* for pions shape measured
- Average background $36 \pm 1.2\%$
- Energy-dependent BG correction

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- Beam flux is measured with the Pair Spectrometer using e^+e^- pair production with a \sim 0.1% converter
- "Tagged flux" measures photons in coincidence with the tagger detectors
- The structure of the tagged flux is caused by coherent peaks and the tagger geometry/efficiency
- Flux-normalized yield of γp → ρp is smooth



Systematic error source	Estimate, %
J/ψ to BH relative yield	18
BH cross section calculation	10
Pion contamination to BH	5
ρ contamination to BH	5
t-dependence of efficiency	9
Total	24



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