

Double DVCS including kinematic twist-3 and 4 corrections

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Outline

- Generalized parton distributions.
- DVCS, TCS & DDVCS.
- Energy scale and potential experiments.
- Spin-0 target \rightarrow helicity amplitudes \rightarrow kinematic twist-3 + 4.
- DVCS & TCS limits.
- Phenomenology for the pion.
- Summary and conclusions.

Partonic distribution

GPD

Generalized Parton Distribution \approx “3D version of a PDF (Parton Distribution Function).” With x the fraction of the hadron’s longitudinal momentum carried by a quark:

$$\text{GPD}_f(x, \xi, t) = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dz^-}{2\pi} e^{ix\bar{p}^+ z^-} \langle p' | \bar{q}_f(-z/2) \gamma^+ \mathcal{W}[-z/2, z/2] q_f(z/2) | p \rangle \Big|_{z_\perp = z^+ = 0}$$
$$t = \Delta^2 = (p' - p)^2, \quad \xi = -\frac{\Delta n}{2\bar{p}n}, \quad \rho = \xi \frac{qq'}{\Delta q'}, \quad \bar{p} = \frac{p+p'}{2}$$

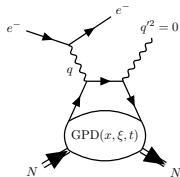
Importance

- Connected to **QCD energy-momentum tensor**. GPDs are a way to study “mechanical” properties and to address the hadron’s spin puzzle.
- **Tomography**: distribution of quarks in terms of the longitudinal momentum and in the transverse plane.

$$q(x, \vec{b}_\perp) = \int \frac{d^2 \vec{\Delta}_\perp}{4\pi^2} e^{-i\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{\Delta}_\perp} H^q(x, 0, t = -\vec{\Delta}_\perp^2)$$

Deeply virtual Compton scattering (DVCS)

- In the 1990s, Müller, Ji and Radyushkin introduced the Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs) to study the DVCS process:



Feynman diagram for DVCS

- At LO $\sim O(\alpha_s^0)$ and LT $\sim O(1/Q^0)$:

$$\text{CFF}_{\text{DVCS}} \sim \text{PV} \left(\int_{-1}^1 dx \frac{1}{x-\xi} \text{GPD}(x, \xi, t) \right) - \int_{-1}^1 dx i\pi \delta(x-\xi) \text{GPD}(x, \xi, t) + \dots$$

- $\xi = \frac{-n\Delta}{2\bar{p}n}$, $\bar{p} = \frac{p+p'}{2}$, $\Delta = p' - p$, $t = \Delta^2$

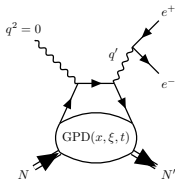
DVCS has been measured in DESY, CERN and JLab.

Timelike Compton scattering (TCS)

- Complementary to DVCS.

E. R. Berger, M. Diehl and B. Pire, EPJC 23, 675–689 (2002).

1st measurement of TCS by the CLAS collaboration at JLab: P. Chatagnon et al., PRL 127, 262501 (2021).



Feynman diagram for TCS

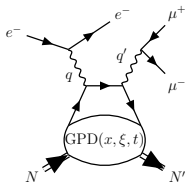
- At LO LT:

$$\text{CFF}_{\text{TCS}} \sim \text{PV} \left(\int_{-1}^1 dx \frac{1}{x+\xi} \text{GPD}(x, \xi, t) \right) - \int_{-1}^1 dx i\pi \delta(x+\xi) \text{GPD}(x, \xi, t) + \dots$$

- Like DVCS but $\xi \rightarrow -\xi$.

Double deeply virtual Compton scattering (DDVCS)

- **DDVCS vs DVCS/TCS:** extra virtuality \Rightarrow *generalized* Björken variable $\rho \Rightarrow$ GPDs for $x = \rho \neq \xi$.



Double DVCS (DDVCS)

- At LO LT:

$$\text{CFF}_{\text{DDVCS}} \sim \text{PV} \left(\int_{-1}^1 dx \frac{1}{x-\rho} \text{GPD}(x, \xi, t) \right) - \int_{-1}^1 dx i\pi \delta(x-\rho) \text{GPD}(x, \xi, t) + \dots$$

$$\xi = -\frac{\Delta n}{2\bar{p}n}, \quad \rho = \xi \frac{qq'}{\Delta q'}, \quad \rho = \xi \text{ (DVCS)}, \quad \rho = -\xi \text{ (TCS, LT approach)}$$

See talk by Juan Sebastián Alvarado (yesterday).

Why DDVCS? / State of art

Why DDVCS?

- 1 Access to $x \neq \pm\xi \leftarrow$ restriction in DVCS & TCS (at lowest order).
- 2 Single framework to describe DVCS, TCS & DDVCS:

$$\text{DVCS: } Q'^2 \rightarrow 0, \rho \rightarrow \xi$$

$$\text{TCS: } Q^2 \rightarrow 0, \rho \rightarrow -\xi \text{ (at LT)}$$

State of art:

- Original papers in DDVCS **(LO LT)**:
 - 1 Belitsky & Müller, PRL 90, 022001 (2003).
 - 2 Guidal & Vanderhaeghen, PRL 90, 012001 (2003).
 - 3 Belitsky & Müller, PRD 68, 116005 (2003).
- Alternative derivation of amplitudes and cross-section, and JLab and EIC's phenomenology **(LO LT)** are discussed in: K. Deja, VMF, B. Pire, P. Sznajder & J. Wagner, PRD 107, 094035 (2023).
- **NLO** is known for DVCS, TCS & DDVCS.

LT and beyond

- LT: $Q^2, Q'^2 \rightarrow \infty$, Björken limit.
- Kinematic power corrections = kinematic higher-twist corrections:

$$\sim \left(\frac{|t|}{Q^2}\right)^P, \quad \sim \left(\frac{M^2}{Q^2}\right)^P,$$

$$P = \frac{\tau_{\text{kin}} - 2}{2}$$

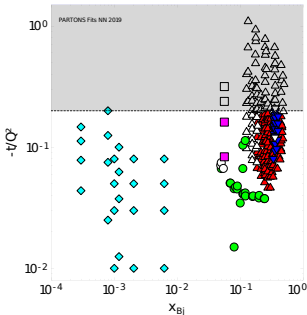
- Similarly for Q'^2 .
- LT = kinematic twist-2, $\tau_{\text{kin}} = 2$.

Why higher twists?

- 1 Nucleon tomography is a Fourier transform in Δ_{\perp} that requires data on a sizable range of t :

$$q(x, \vec{b}_{\perp}) = \int \frac{d^2 \vec{\Delta}_{\perp}}{4\pi^2} e^{-i\vec{b}_{\perp} \cdot \vec{\Delta}_{\perp}} H^q(x, 0, t = -\vec{\Delta}_{\perp}^2)$$

- 2 Increase the range of useful experimental data:



Data come from the Hall A (\blacktriangledown , \triangledown), CLAS (\blacktriangle , \triangle), HERMES (\bullet , \circ), COMPASS (\blacksquare , \square) and HERA H1 and ZEUS (\blacklozenge , \lozenge) experiments. The gray bands (open markers) indicate phase-space areas (experimental points) being excluded in the analysis of H. Moutarde, P. Sznajder, J. Wagner, EPJC 79, 614 (2019).

Why spin-0 target?

- 1 It is the simplest case (spin-1/2 and spin-1 targets to be studied later).

- 2 Study of DVCS on scalar and pseudo-scalar nuclei, e.g. ^4He :

S. Fucini, S. Scopetta, & M. Viviani, PRC 98, 015203 (2018).

- 3 Study of meson GPDs (π) through the Sullivan process:

$$\gamma^* p \rightarrow \gamma \pi^+ n$$

J. D. Sullivan, PRD 5, 1732 (1972).

Pion GPDs from J. M. Morgado-Chavez et al., PRD 105, 094012 (2022).

D. Amrath, M. Diehl, J.-P. Lansberg, EPJC 58, 179–192 (2008).

J. M. Morgado Chávez, PRL 128, 202501 (2022).

- 4 Kinematical higher twist contributions recently studied in related process $\gamma^* \gamma \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$: access to pion GDAs:

C. Lorcé, B. Pire, Q.-T. Song, PRD 106, 094030 (2022); B. Pire, Q.-T. Song, PRD 107, 114014 (2023) .

Scale of DDVCS and experiments

- **Scale of DDVCS, not imposed but inferred from the twist expansion:**

$$Q^2 = Q^2 + Q'^2 + t$$

- **Conclusion:** you may choose

$$\begin{cases} \sigma_{\text{DDVCS}} \text{ grows rapidly with small } Q^2 \Rightarrow Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2 \\ \text{region in-between resonances} \Rightarrow Q'^2 \in (2.25, 9) \text{ GeV}^2 \end{cases}$$

- Low Q^2 + high Q'^2 ... as for TCS* \rightarrow potential with CLAS12 (Hall B, JLab) & SoLID[†] (Hall A, JLab) \Leftrightarrow muon detector or reconstruction trajectories.

* Chatagnon et al., PRL 127, 262501.

[†] Arrington et al., J. Phys. G 50 (2023) 11, 110501.

Conformal twist expansion

- **Breakthrough:** OPE based on conformal field theory calculation by Braun, Ji & Manashov, JHEP 2021, 51 (2021). OPE to all twists!!
- Use of conformal symmetry to constrain the coefficients of the expansion around the light-cone.
- Proper kinematic power expansion. No higher-twist GPDs.
- Natchman-like corrections are more involved as

$$\langle p' | \partial^\mu \mathcal{O} | p \rangle = i \Delta^\mu \langle p' | \mathcal{O} | p \rangle .$$

- This formalism satisfies QED gauge and translation invariance.

Starting point: OPE + CFT (Braun-Ji-Manashov)

$$\begin{aligned}
 T^{\mu\nu} &= i \int d^4z e^{iq'z} \langle p' | \mathcal{T} \{ j^\nu(z) j^\mu(0) \} | p \rangle = \\
 & \frac{1}{i\pi^2} i \int d^4z e^{iq'z} \left\{ \frac{1}{(-z^2 + i0)^2} \left[g^{\nu\mu} \mathcal{O}(1, 0) - z^\nu \partial^\mu \int_0^1 du \mathcal{O}(\bar{u}, 0) - z^\mu (\partial^\nu - i\Delta^\nu) \int_0^1 dv \mathcal{O}(1, \nu) \right] \right. \\
 & - \frac{1}{-z^2 + i0} \left[\frac{i}{2} (\Delta^\mu \partial^\nu - (\nu \leftrightarrow \mu)) \int_0^1 du \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \mathcal{O}(\bar{u}, \nu) - \frac{t}{4} z^\nu \partial^\mu \int_0^1 du u \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \mathcal{O}(\bar{u}, \nu) \right] \\
 & + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Operators \mathcal{O} above are understood as matrix elements, that is:

$$\langle p' | \mathcal{O}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) | p \rangle = \frac{2i}{\lambda_{12}} \iint_{\mathbb{D}} d\beta d\alpha \left[e^{-i\ell \lambda_1, \lambda_2^z} \right]_{\text{LT}} \Phi^{(+)}(\beta, \alpha, t),$$

where

$$\ell_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2} = -\lambda_1 \Delta - \lambda_{12} \left[\beta \bar{p} - \frac{1}{2} (\alpha + 1) \Delta \right]$$

and $\Phi^{(+)}$ is given by the usual DDs h_f, g_f as

$$\Phi^{(+)}(\beta, \alpha, t) = \sum_f \left(\frac{e_f}{e} \right)^2 \Phi_f^{(+)}(\beta, \alpha, t), \quad \Phi_f^{(+)}(\beta, \alpha, t) = \partial_\beta h_f + \partial_\alpha g_f$$

More details on: Braun, Ji & Manashov, JHEP 03 (2021) 051; and JHEP 01 (2023) 078.

Scalar and pseudo-scalar target

- Spin-0 target \Rightarrow vector component of $T^{\mu\nu}$ is enough.
- Parameterization of $T^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow$ **helicity amplitudes, \mathcal{A}^{AB}** .
- Spin-0 $\Rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{AB} \equiv \mathcal{H}^{AB}/2$ (**5 CFFs in total**).

$$\begin{aligned}
 T^{\mu\nu} = & \mathcal{A}^{00} i \frac{(qq')^2}{R^2 Q^2} \left[q^\mu q^\nu \sqrt{\frac{R+qq'}{R-qq'}} + q^{(\mu} q^{\nu)} \frac{2Q}{Q'} - q^\mu q^{\nu'} \frac{R^2 Q}{2(qq')^2 Q'} + q'^{\mu} q'^{\nu} \frac{Q^3}{(qq') Q'} \right] \\
 & + \mathcal{A}^{+0} \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{R|\bar{p}_\perp|} \left[Q' q^\mu - \frac{qq'}{Q'} q'^{\mu} \right] \bar{p}_\perp^\nu \\
 & - \mathcal{A}^{0+} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{R|\bar{p}_\perp|} \bar{p}_\perp^\mu \left[\frac{qq'}{Q} q^\nu + Q q'^{\nu} \right] \\
 & + \mathcal{A}^{+-} \frac{1}{|\bar{p}_\perp|^2} \left[\bar{p}_\perp^\mu \bar{p}_\perp^\nu - \tilde{\bar{p}}_\perp^\mu \tilde{\bar{p}}_\perp^\nu \right] \\
 & - \mathcal{A}^{++} g_\perp^{\mu\nu}, \qquad R = \sqrt{(qq')^2 + Q^2 Q'^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Read out projectors $\rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{AB} = \Pi_{\mu\nu}^{(AB)} T^{\mu\nu}$.

\mathcal{A}^{+-} is of special interest as it enters the amplitude at:

- LO, kinematic twist-4,
- NLO, kinematic twist-2 through transversity GPDs.^{\$}
For the spin-0 target: 1 (chiral-odd) transversity GPD + 1 gluon transversity GPD.

^{\$}Belitsky, Müller, PLB 486, 369–377, (2000).

$$\mathcal{A}^{+-} = O(\text{twist} - 4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{1/Q^2}^{+-} &= \frac{1}{2|\bar{\rho}_\perp|^2} (\bar{\rho}_\perp, \mu \bar{\rho}_\perp, \nu - \tilde{\bar{\rho}}_\perp, \mu \tilde{\bar{\rho}}_\perp, \nu) T^{\mu\nu} \\ &= \frac{4\bar{\rho}_\perp^2}{Q^2} D_\xi^2 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{2\xi} Y\left(\frac{x}{\xi}, \frac{\rho}{\xi}\right) H^{(+)}(x, \xi, t), \quad D_\xi = \xi^2 \partial_\xi \end{aligned}$$

$$Y\left(\frac{x}{\xi}, \frac{\rho}{\xi}\right) = -\frac{\xi + \rho}{\xi + x} \log \frac{\rho - x - i0}{\xi + \rho} - \frac{\xi - \rho}{\xi - x} \log \frac{x - \rho + i0}{\xi - \rho} + 2 \log \frac{\rho - x - i0}{2\xi}.$$

Conclusion: \mathcal{A}^{+-} factorizes at twist-4 in DDVCS and TCS.

- **DVCS[#] limit:** $Q'^2 \rightarrow 0, \rho \rightarrow \xi$

$$Y_{DVCS}\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) = \frac{2x}{\xi + x} \log \frac{\xi - x - i0}{2\xi}$$

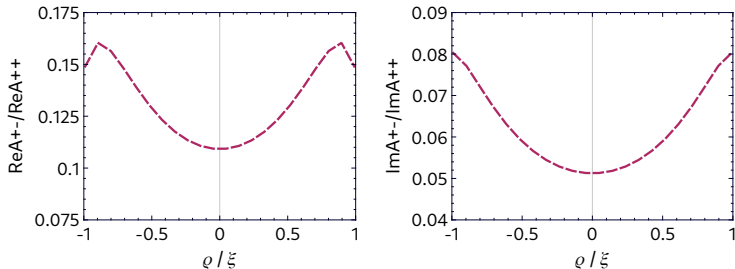
- **TCS limit:** $Q^2 \rightarrow 0, \rho \rightarrow -\xi(1 - 2t/Q'^2)$

$$Y_{TCS}\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) = \frac{2x}{x - \xi} \log \frac{\xi + x + i0}{2\xi}$$

[#]Results for the spin-0 target in DVCS were already published by Braun, Manashov & Pirnay in PRD 86, 014003 (2012); and with an alternative method by Braun, Ji & Manashov in JHEP 01 (2023) 078.

Phenomenology for pion target

PRELIMINARY RESULTS



Real (left) and imaginary (right) parts of \mathcal{A}^{+-} relative to $\mathcal{A}^{++}|_{\text{LT}}$ as a function of ρ/ξ for $\xi = 0.25$, $Q^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $t = -0.8 \text{ GeV}^2$.

- **Conclusion:** \mathcal{A}^{+-} is of the order $\sim 10\%$ of $\mathcal{A}^{++}|_{\text{LT}}$ at the order of $-t = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$.

Summary and conclusions

- By means of the conformal twist expansion by Braun, Ji & Manashov we compute the higher-twist corrections of DDVCS, DVCS & TCS (these last two by taking the limits of small outgoing and incoming virtuality on the DDVCS results, respectively).

Our results:

- 1 \mathcal{A}^{+-} factorizes at twist-4 in DDVCS and TCS.
- 2 \mathcal{A}^{+-} is of the order $\sim 10\%$ of $\mathcal{A}^{++}|_{LT}$ at the order of $-t = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$.
- 3 Other higher-twist amplitudes are in an advanced stage of calculation: $\mathcal{A}^{++}, \mathcal{A}^{0+}, \mathcal{A}^{+0}, \mathcal{A}^{00}$.

*Merci
beaucoup!*

Complementary slides

Kinematic vs geometric twist

- **Kinematic** twist \rightarrow power expansion of observables $\sim \frac{|t|}{Q^2}, \frac{M^2}{Q^2} \Rightarrow$ **frame dependent.**
- **Geometric** twist \rightarrow expansion of operators $\mathcal{O}(z)$ in components belonging to irreps of the Lorentz group \Rightarrow **Lorentz invariant.**
- $\mathcal{O}(z)$ such that $z^2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ **relaxation of the Björken limit in $\int d^4z e^{-irz} \langle p' | \mathcal{O}(z) | p \rangle$ (in observables).**

Energy scale of two-photon processes

- Compton tensor:

$$(\ell = \ell(\Delta, \bar{p}), \Delta^2 = t, \bar{p} = (p + p')/2, p^2 = p'^2 = M^2)$$

$$T_{s_2 s_1}^{\mu\nu} = i \int d^4 z e^{iq'z} \langle p', s_2 | \mathcal{T} \{ j^\nu(z) j^\mu(0) \} | p, s_1 \rangle$$

$$\sim i \int d^4 z e^{iq'z} \frac{f^{\mu\nu}(z, \partial)}{(-z^2 + i0)^J} \underbrace{\left[e^{-i\ell z} \right]_{\text{LT}}}_{\text{geom. LT}} \rightarrow \text{geom. LT to connect to the usual GPDs}$$

$$\sim i \int d^4 z \int_0^1 dw e^{i(q' - w\ell)z} \frac{\tilde{f}^{\mu\nu}(z, w)}{(-z^2 + i0)^K}$$

$$\sim \sum_{n,m} f_{n,m}^{\mu\nu}(\Delta, \bar{p}, q') \times I_{n,m} \rightarrow I_{n,m} = \int_0^1 dw \frac{w^n}{(\ell^2 w^2 - 2q'\ell w + Q'^2 + i0)^m}$$

$$\sim \underbrace{O(1)}_{\text{kin. LT}} + \left(\text{powers of } \frac{|t|}{-2q'\Delta}, \frac{M^2}{-2q'\Delta} \right).$$

- Scale is **in general**: $-2q'\Delta = Q^2 + Q'^2 + t \equiv \mathbb{Q}^2$.

More details on conformal operator-product expansion: Braun, Ji & Manashov, JHEP 03 (2021) 051; and JHEP 01 (2023) 078.