Modifications of the D₃₃(1700) resonance in the nuclear medium

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Motivation

- <u>Goal: Search for in-medium modifications of baryon resonances</u> Pronounced in-medium effect: No bump structure in the photoabsorption cross-section measured for $\gamma + A$
 - \rightarrow not fully explained in a model-independent way



In-medium modifications

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$π^0$ η photoproduction (proton target)

• The production of $\pi^0 \eta$ pairs best suited to study the $D_{_{33}}(1700)$ resonance • η acts as an isospin filter: Access to $\gamma p \rightarrow D_{_{33}}(1700) \rightarrow \Delta(1232)\eta \rightarrow p\pi^0\eta$



• $D_{_{33}}(1700)$ dominates close to the production threshold



V. L. Kashevarov, A. Fix et al., Eur. Phys., J. A 42, 141 (2009) [A2 Collaboration]

Angular distributions (proton target)



Angular distributions: Reasonable agreement with a model including only the D₃₃ amplitude

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Circular polarization: high sensitivity to D₃₃(1700)

V. L. Kashevarov, A.Fix et al., *Phys. Lett. B 693, 551, 2010 [A2 Collaboration]* High values of polarization achievable at ~1 GeV No modification of the incoming photon energy spectrum

Measurement of Is and Ic



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I^s and I^c in $\gamma p \rightarrow p\pi^0 \pi^0$ and N(1900)3/2⁺ resonance



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Coefficients of the sine expansion Solid line : full model prediction Dashed line: only the *D*33 amplitude.

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A₁ represents **purely** the contribution of the D₃₃ wave A₂ is sensitive to interference terms A₃ is negligible

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This program is aiming for:

- Study modifications of the $D_{33}(1700)$ resonance
- Measurement and interpretation of polarization observables for the investigation of in-medium modifications (and unpolarized cross-sections)
- Better understanding of the Final State Interaction (FSI)
- Understanding of the nature of the $D_{33}(1700)$: Is it dynamically generated?

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We are extracting:

- Differential cross-sections and beam helicity asymmetry close to the $\pi^{o}\eta$ production threshold with C, Al and Pb targets
- Data on ⁴He will be acquired in the near future

Understanding of the FSI

Experimental method:

- Investigation of the FSI with light nuclei (deuteron, helium isotopes)
- Investigation of the coherent component
- Measurements with different targets
- New asymmetry data can be useful for the understanding of the mechanisms of the FSI
- and:
- Estimates from the model of A. Fix (includes FSI)
- Interested to obtain calculations from the BUU transport model

Example: Significant reduction of the total cross-section was observed for the deuteron target in several reactions, indicating strong FSI effects, but e.g. for the production of 2 neutral pions, the beam helicity asymmetry is in excellent agreement for the free proton (hydrogen target) and quasi-free proton (deuteron target) data (M. Oberle, B. Krusche et al., Phys. Lett. B721 (2013) 237-243 [A2 Collaboration])



MAMI and Crystal Ball experiment



High-Flux, Tagged, Bremsstrahlung Photon Beam: Unpolarized, Linear, and Circular
 Polarized and Unpolarized Targets

Crystal Ball/TAPS experiment





Crystal Ball:

- 672 NaI Crystals
- 24 Particle Identification Detector Paddles
- 2 Multiwire Proportional Chambers

TAPS:

- \bullet 366 BaF $_{_2}$ and 72 PbWO $_{_4}$ Crystals
- 384 Veto Detectors

Experimental Setup

- Carbon pipe for positioning targets in the Crystal Ball
- Targets: C, Al, Pb and other parts such as an inserter prepared
- Empty insert for the cryostat built in the KPH Mechanical and Vacuum Workhops







Run conditions

- Targets C (2 cm), Al (8 mm), Pb (0.5 mm), empty target
- $E_{beam} = 1557 \text{ MeV} (+ 8 \text{ hours with } 883 \text{ MeV with the Pb target})$
- Circularly polarized photons (electron polarization 70-74%)
- Tagged photon energy $E_{y} > 500$ MeV for C and Al, $E_{y} > 780$ MeV for Pb
- Currents: 4.5 nA (C), 7.5 nA (Al), 16.5 nA (Pb)
- Collimator: 2.5 mm
- Trigger: M2+ and

 $\rm CB_{_{Esum}}$ > 320 MeV for Al and Pb targets

 $CB_{Esum} > 350$ MeV for C target

Acquired data

- C target ~90 h with 1557 MeV beam
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Preliminary selection of events with $\pi^o \eta$ and $\pi^o \pi^o$ production

- $E\gamma_{(beam)} = 1000 1450 \text{ MeV}$
- Selecting events with 4 γ (+ 1 charged hit or + X hits)
- Invariant mass cut
- Missing mass cut (?)
- Subtraction of random timing background
- Negligible empty target contribution

Example Spectra (Carbon target)

 $E_{\nu} = 1100 - 1300 \text{ MeV}$



Example Spectra (Aluminium target)





Example Spectra (Al target)



Very preliminary asymmetries seen in the data for ~35% of Aluminium data (4 photons + X) events considered
Curves: red fit to the data, black calculation within isobar model
Small asymmetry in energy binning → differential distributions

- ✤ New project aiming for the investigation of the D₃₃(1700) resonance in the nuclear medium
- → Differential cross-sections for $\pi^0 \eta$ photoproduction and beam helicity asymmetry will be extracted
- Existing data obtained with proton and deuteron targets will be used as a reference
- ✤ FSI effects will be investigated in cooperation with theory groups

Available manpower:

Master and Diploma students

Experienced postdoc, S. Prakhov (UCLA) will contribute to the data analysis

Thank you for your attention!

Backup

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