On the near-threshold incoherent ϕ photoproduction on the deuteron: Any trace of a resonance?

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Motivation

• Presence of a local peak near threshold at $E_{\gamma} \sim 2.0 \text{ GeV}$ in the differential cross-section (DCS) of $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$ at forward angle by Mibe and Chang, et al. [PRL 95 182001 (2005)] from the LEPS Collaboration.

 \rightarrow Observed also recently by JLAB: **B. Dey et al.** [PRC **89** 055208 (2014)], and **Seraydaryan et al.** [PRC **89** 055206 (2014)].

- Conventional model of Pomeron plus π and η exchanges usually can only give rise to a monotonicallyincreasing behavior.
- We would like to see whether this **local peak** can be explained as a **resonance**.
- In order to **check** this assumption, we apply the results on $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$ to $\gamma d \rightarrow \phi p n$ to see if we can **describe the latter**.

Reaction model for $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$

• Here are the **tree-level diagrams** calculated in our model in an **effective Lagrangian** approach.



 N^* is the postulated resonance.

- $-p_i$ is the 4-momentum of the **proton** in the **initial** state,
- -k is the 4-momentum of the **photon** in the **initial** state,
- $-p_f$ is the 4-momentum of the **proton** in the **final** state,
- -q is the 4-momentum of the ϕ in the **final** state.

Pomeron exchange

We follow the work of **Donnachie**, **Landshoff**, and **Nacht**mann

 \longrightarrow **Pomeron-isoscalar-photon** analogy

$$i\mathcal{M} = iar{u}_f(p_f)\epsilon_\phi^{*\mu}M_{\mu
u}u_i(p_i)\epsilon_\gamma^
u$$

$$M_{\mu\nu} = M(s,t)\Gamma_{\mu\nu}$$

$$M(s,t) = C_P F_1(t) F_2(t) \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{s - s_{th}}{4}\right)^{\alpha_P(t)} \exp\left[-i\pi\alpha_P(t)/2\right]$$

- $\Gamma^{\mu\nu}$ is chosen to maintain **gauge invariance**.
- The strength factor $C_P = 3.65$ is chosen to fit the total cross sections data at high energy.
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π and η exchanges

• For *t*-channel exchange involving π and η , we use

$$\mathcal{L}_{\gamma\phi M} = \frac{eg_{\gamma\phi M}}{m_{\phi}} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \partial_{\mu} \phi_{\nu} \partial_{\alpha} A_{\beta} \varphi_{M}$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{MNN} = \frac{g_{MNN}}{2M_{N}} \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma^{5} \psi \partial_{\mu} \varphi_{M}$$

with $M = (\pi, \eta)$.

- We choose $g_{\pi NN} = 13.26$, $g_{\eta NN} = 1.12$, $g_{\gamma\phi\pi} = -0.14$, and $g_{\gamma\phi\eta} = -0.71$.
- Form factor at **each vertex** in the *t*-channel diagram is

$$F_{MNN}(t) = F_{\gamma\phi M}(t) = \frac{\Lambda_M^2 - m_M^2}{\Lambda_M^2 - t}$$

• The value $\Lambda_M = 1.2$ GeV is taken for both $M = (\pi, \eta)$.

Resonances

- Only spin 1/2 or 3/2 because the resonance is close to the threshold.
- Lagrangian densities that couple spin-1/2 and 3/2 particles to γN or ϕN channels are

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\phi N N^{*}}^{1/2^{\pm}} &= g_{\phi N N^{*}}^{(1)} \bar{\psi}_{N} \Gamma^{\pm} \gamma^{\mu} \psi_{N^{*}} \phi_{\mu} + g_{\phi N N^{*}}^{(2)} \bar{\psi}_{N} \Gamma^{\pm} \sigma_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \psi_{N^{*}}, \\ \mathcal{L}_{\phi N N^{*}}^{3/2^{\pm}} &= i g_{\phi N N^{*}}^{(1)} \bar{\psi}_{N} \Gamma^{\pm} \left(\partial^{\mu} \psi_{N^{*}}^{\nu} \right) \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu} + g_{\phi N N^{*}}^{(2)} \bar{\psi}_{N} \Gamma^{\pm} \gamma^{5} \left(\partial^{\mu} \psi_{N^{*}}^{\nu} \right) G_{\mu\nu} \\ &+ i g_{\phi N N^{*}}^{(3)} \bar{\psi}_{N} \Gamma^{\pm} \gamma^{5} \gamma_{\alpha} \left(\partial^{\alpha} \psi_{N^{*}}^{\nu} - \partial^{\nu} \psi_{N^{*}}^{\alpha} \right) \left(\partial^{\mu} G_{\mu\nu} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where $G_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}\phi_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}\phi_{\mu}$ and $\tilde{G}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}G^{\alpha\beta}$. The operator Γ^{\pm} are given by $\Gamma^{+} = 1$ and $\Gamma^{-} = \gamma_{5}$, depending on the parity of the resonance N^{*} .

• For the γNN^* vertices, simply change $g_{\phi NN^*} \to eg_{\gamma NN^*}$ and $\phi_{\mu} \to A_{\mu}$.

- Current conservation fixes $g_{\gamma NN^*}^{(1)} \to 0$ for $J^P = 1/2^{\pm}$ and the term proportional to $g_{\gamma NN^*}^{(3)}$ vanishes in the case of real photon.
- The effect of the width is taken into account in a Breit-Wigner form by replacing the usual denominator $p^2 - M_{N^*}^2 \rightarrow p^2 - M_{N^*}^2 + iM_{N^*}\Gamma_{N^*}$.
- The form factor for the vertices used in the *s* and *u* channel diagrams is

$$F_{N^*}(p^2) = \frac{\Lambda^4}{\Lambda^4 + (p^2 - M_{N^*}^2)^2}$$

with $\Lambda = 1.2$ GeV for all resonances.

Fitting to $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$ experimental data

- We include only **one resonance at a time**.
- We fit only **masses**, **widths**, and **coupling constants** of the resonances to the experimental data, while **other parameters are fixed** during fitting.
- Experimental data to fit
 - Differential cross sections (DCS) at forward angle
 - **DCS** as a function of t at eight incoming photon energy bins
 - Nine spin-density matrix elements (SDME) at three incoming photon energy bins

Results for $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$

- Both $J^P = 1/2^{\pm}$ resonances **cannot fit the data**.
- DCS at forward angle and as a function of t are markedly improved by the inclusion of the $J^P = 3/2^{\pm}$ resonances.
- In general, **SDME are also improved** by both $J^P = 3/2^{\pm}$ resonances.
- **Decay angular distributions**, not used in the fitting procedure, can also be explained well.
- We study the effect of the resonance to the DCS of γp → ωp.
 → The resonance seems to have a considerable amount of strangeness content.

DCS of $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$ at forward angle



Total \rightarrow full, Nonresonant \rightarrow dotted, Resonant \rightarrow dashed

DCS of $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$ as a function of t



Black $\rightarrow J^P = 3/2^-$ **Red** $\rightarrow J^P = 3/2^+$ Total \rightarrow full, Nonresonant \rightarrow dotted, Resonant \rightarrow dashed

SDME of $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$ as a function of t1.77 < E_{γ} < 1.97 GeV



SDME of $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$ as a function of t1.97 < E_{γ} < 2.17 GeV



SDME of $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$ as a function of t2.17 < E_{γ} < 2.37 GeV



	$J^P = 3/2^+$	$J^P = 3/2^-$
$M_{N^*}(\text{GeV})$	2.08 ± 0.04	2.08 ± 0.04
$\Gamma_{N^*}(\text{GeV})$	$\boldsymbol{0.501} \pm \boldsymbol{0.117}$	0.570 ± 0.159
$eg^{(1)}_{\gamma NN^*}g^{(1)}_{\phi NN^*}$	0.003 ± 0.009	-0.205 ± 0.083
$eg^{(1)}_{\gamma NN^*}g^{(2)}_{\phi NN^*}$	-0.084 ± 0.057	-0.025 ± 0.017
$eg^{(1)}_{\gamma NN^*}g^{(3)}_{\phi NN^*}$	0.025 ± 0.076	-0.033 ± 0.017
$eg^{(2)}_{\gamma NN^*}g^{(1)}_{\phi NN^*}$	0.002 ± 0.006	-0.266 ± 0.127
$eg^{(2)}_{\gamma NN^*}g^{(2)}_{\phi NN^*}$	-0.048 ± 0.047	-0.033 ± 0.032
$eg^{(2)}_{\gamma NN^*}g^{(3)}_{\phi NN^*}$	0.014 ± 0.040	-0.043 ± 0.032
χ^2/N	0.891	0.821

• The ratio $A_{1/2}/A_{3/2} = 1.05$ for the $J^P = 3/2^-$ resonance.

• The ratio $A_{1/2}/A_{3/2} = 0.89$ for the $J^P = 3/2^+$ resonance.

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Reaction model for $\gamma d \rightarrow \phi pn$



- We calculate only (a) and (b), as (c), (d), and (e) are estimated to be small.
- We want to know if the resonance would manifest itself in **different reaction**.



- Fermi motion of the proton and neutron inside the deuteron is included using **deuteron wave function** calculated by **Machleidt** in PRC **63** 024001 (2001).
- Final-state interactions (FSI) of *pn* system is included using Nijmegen *pn* scattering amplitude.
- On- and off-shell parts of the *pn* propagator are included. $\longrightarrow \frac{1}{E_p + E_n - E'_1 - E_2 + i\epsilon} = \frac{\mathcal{P}}{E_p + E_n - E'_1 - E_2} - i\pi\delta(E_p + E_n - E'_1 - E_2)$

- The same model for the amplitude of $\gamma p \to \phi p$.
 - \longrightarrow **Realistic** model
 - \longrightarrow **Correct spin structure** is maintained
- A $J^P = 3/2^-$ resonance is also present in the $\gamma n \to \phi n$ amplitude
 - For ϕnn^* vertex, ϕp and ϕn cases are the same since ϕ is an I = 0 particle.
 - For γnn^* vertex, we assume that the resonance would have the same properties, including its coupling to γn , as a CQM state with the same isospin, J^P , and similar value of $A_{1/2}/A_{3/2}$ for the γp decay $\longrightarrow N_2^{3-}(2095)[D_{13}]_5$ in Capstick's work in PRD 46, 2864 (1992), the only one with positive value of $A_{1/2}/A_{3/2}$ for γp in the energy region.

Results for $\gamma d \rightarrow \phi pn$

• Notice that **no fitting is performed** to the LEPS data on DCS [PLB **684** 6-10 (2010)] and SDME [PRC **82** 015205 (2010)] of $\gamma d \rightarrow \phi pn$ from **Chang et al.**

 \rightarrow We use directly the parameters resulting from $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$.

- We found a **fair agreement** with the LEPS experimental data on both observables.
- **Resonance**, **Fermi motion**, and *pn* **FSI** effects are found to be **large**.

 \longrightarrow Without them, the DCS data **cannot** be described.

DCS of $\gamma d \rightarrow \phi pn$ **Not fitted**



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$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{DCS} \ \mathbf{of} \ \gamma d \to \phi pn \ \mathbf{and} \\ \mathbf{its} \ \mathbf{ratio} \ \mathbf{to} \ \mathbf{twice} \ \mathbf{DCS} \ \mathbf{of} \ \gamma p \to \phi p \ \mathbf{at} \ \mathbf{forward} \ \mathbf{angle} \\ \mathbf{Not} \ \mathbf{fitted} \end{array}$



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SDME of $\gamma d \rightarrow \phi pn$ as a function of tNot fitted



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SDME of $\gamma d \rightarrow \phi pn$ as a function of tNot fitted

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Summary and conclusions

- Inclusion of a resonance is needed to explain the nonmonotonic behavior in the DCS $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$ near threshold.
- Resonance with J = 3/2 of either parity is preferred for $\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$, while $J^P = 1/2^{\pm}$ cannot fit the data.
- The resonance seems to have a **considerable amount of strangeness content**.
 - \longrightarrow Based on a separate study on its effect on $\gamma p \rightarrow \omega p$.
- Agreement to the experimental data on the DCS and SDME of $\gamma d \rightarrow \phi pn$ is only quite reasonable using $J^P = 3/2^-$ resonance.
- Fermi motion, final-state interaction of *pn*, and resonance effects are found to be large and important to describe the data.

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 $M_{\mu\nu} = \Gamma_{\mu\nu} M(s,t)$

with

where $\Gamma^{\mu\nu}$ is chosen to maintain **gauge invariance**, and

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$$M(s,t) = C_P F_1(t) F_2(t) \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{s - s_{th}}{4}\right)^{\alpha_P(t)} \exp\left[-i\pi\alpha_P(t)/2\right]$$

in which

$$F_{1}(t) = \frac{4m_{N}^{2} - 2.8t}{(4m_{N}^{2} - t)(1 - t/0.7)^{2}}$$

$$F_{2}(t) = \frac{2\mu_{0}^{2}}{(1 - t/M_{\phi}^{2})(2\mu_{0}^{2} + M_{\phi}^{2} - t)}; \quad \mu_{0}^{2} = 1.1 \text{ GeV}^{2}$$

 $F_1(t) \rightarrow \text{isoscalar EM form-factor of the nucleon}$ $F_2(t) \rightarrow \text{form-factor for the } \phi - \gamma \text{-Pomeron coupling}$ Pomeron trajectory $\alpha_P = 1.08 + 0.25t$.

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Effects on $\gamma p \rightarrow \omega p$

- From the $\phi \omega$ mixing, we expect the resonance to also contribute to ω photoproduction.
- The coupling constants $g_{\phi NN^*}$ and $g_{\omega NN^*}$ are **related**, and in our study we choose to use the so-called "**minimal**" **parametrization**,

$$g_{\phi NN^*} = -\mathbf{x}_{\text{OZI}} \tan \Delta \theta_V g_{\omega NN^*}$$

where $\mathbf{x}_{\text{OZI}} = \mathbf{1}$ is the ordinary $\phi - \omega$ mixing.

- By using $x_{OZI} = 12$ for the $J^P = 3/2^-$ resonance and $x_{OZI} = 9$ for the $J^P = 3/2^+$ resonance, we found that we can **explain quite well** the **DCS of** ω **photoproduction**.
- The large value of x_{OZI} indicates that the resonance has a considerable amount of strangeness content.

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DCS of $\gamma p \rightarrow \omega p$ as a function of t

Data from M. Williams, PRC 80, 065209 (2009)

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