

Symmetry Breaking and Transition Form Factors from Eta and Omega Decays

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Meson Decays -

- Symmetries and Symmetry Violation
- Branching Ratio of Rare Decays
- Transition Form Factors (Dalitz Decays)

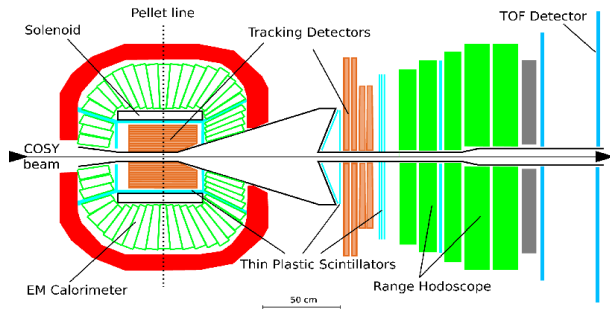
Topics of my talk-

- CP and C violating Decay
- Transition form factor of different mesons

Experimental Setup:

$p(\text{beam}) + p(\text{target}) \rightarrow ppX(\text{mesons})$

$p + d \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}X$



- Large solid angle acceptance
- Pellet Target System (High Density and high purity)
- High granularity central and forward tracking detector
- Identification of all final state particles

status of η production

pd \rightarrow ^3He η

$T_p = 1.0 \text{ GeV}$

$10\eta/s$ ($0.4\mu\text{b}$)

4+8 weeks (2008,2009)

$3 \cdot 10^7$ η decays (unbiased)

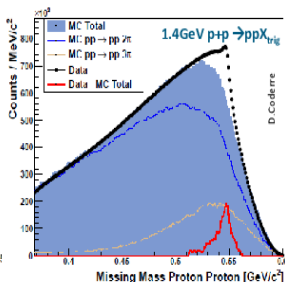
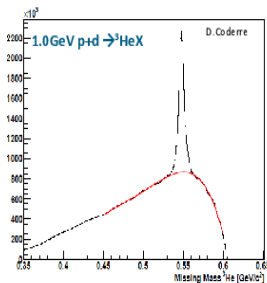
pp \rightarrow **pp** η

$T_p = 1.4 \text{ GeV}$

$100\eta/s$ ($10\mu\text{b}$)

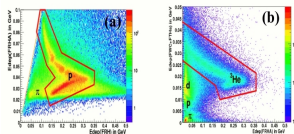
4+8+7 weeks
(2007+2008,2010,2012)

10^9 η decays

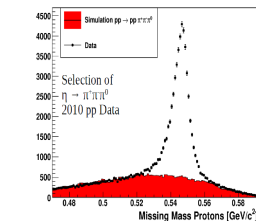
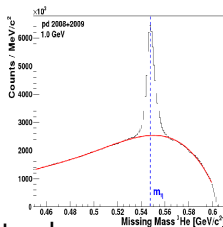


Analysis Method

- Identification of recoil particles



- Missing Mass

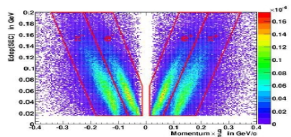


- Identification of charged tracks

- Invariant Mass

- Kinematic Fitting

- Subtraction of Different background channels



Branching Ratio : $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$

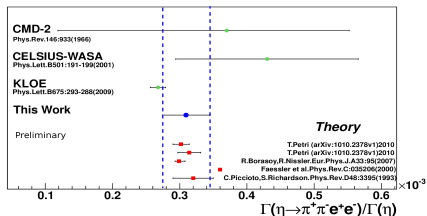
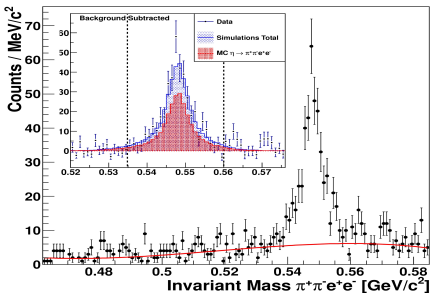
CP violating Decay mode

Analysis - Daniel Coderre

- Relative Branching Ratio with identical final states reduce systematic effects $\frac{\Gamma(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-)}{\Gamma(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- (\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma))}$

- Preliminary Result:

$$\text{BR}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-) = (3.10 \pm 0.27_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.22_{\text{sys}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

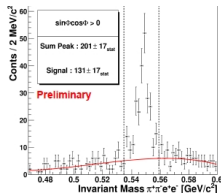
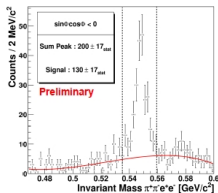
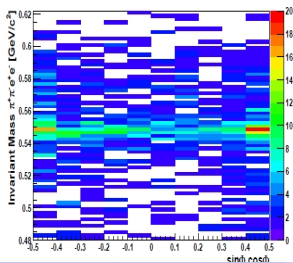
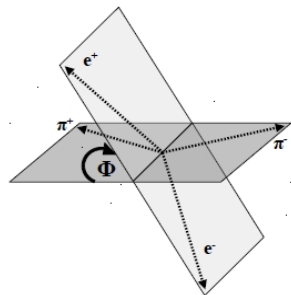


CP-violation in $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$ pd data

- Asymmetry of the angle between the electron and the pion decay plane \rightarrow CP violation observable

$$A_\phi = \frac{\text{Count}(\sin\phi\cos\phi > 0) - \text{Count}(\sin\phi\cos\phi < 0)}{\text{Count}(\sin\phi\cos\phi > 0) + \text{Count}(\sin\phi\cos\phi < 0)}$$

$A_\phi = (0.4 \pm 9.0_{\text{stat}} \pm 2.8_{\text{sys}}) \times 10^{-2}$ (Preliminary)
compatible with zero within errors



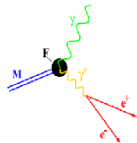
C-violating Decay : $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$

- Decay $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$ is forbidden since it violates the C-parity conservation $C(\pi^0 + \gamma^*) = (+1).(-1) = -1 \neq C(\eta)$
- Current Upper Limit $BR(\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-) < 4 \times 10^{-5}$ [PDG-2010]
- Aim : Lowering the existing upper limit by high statistics measurements at WASA-at-COSY to test the C-parity conservation with increased sensitivity and search for Physics beyond the Standard Model
- Status : 1st data set : $10^7 p + d \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \eta$ events
After applying all cuts on the measured data one out of 1.7×10^8 events remains (PhD Thesis A. Winnemoller)
- Currently under evaluation : additional $2 \times 10^7 p + d \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \eta$
- In addition : $10^9 p + p \rightarrow p + p + \eta$ events on disk

Transition Form Factor:

$$M \rightarrow \gamma \gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma I^+ I^-$$

$$M \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$$



Transition Form Factor $F(q^2)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\Gamma_{\gamma e^+ e^-}}{dq^2} &= \left[\frac{d\Gamma_{\gamma e^+ e^-}}{dq^2} \right]_{\text{QED}} |F(q^2)|^2 \\ &= \frac{2\alpha \Gamma_{2\gamma}}{3\pi q^2} \left(1 - \frac{q^2}{m_M} \right)^3 |F(q^2)|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Form Factor $F(q^2)$:

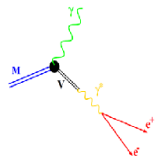
$$F(q^2) = \frac{1}{1 - q^2/m_V^2}$$

Vector meson ρ :

$$m_V = m_\rho = 0.77 \text{ GeV}$$

\Rightarrow Resonance at $m_{\gamma^*} = q = m_\rho$

'standard VMD'

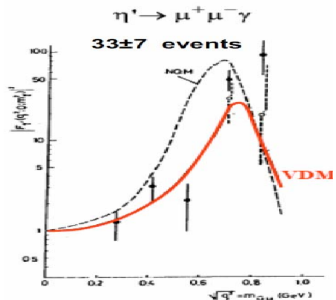
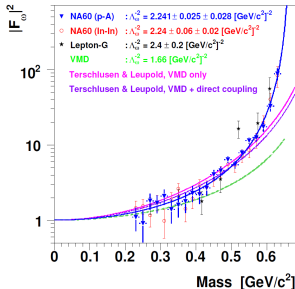
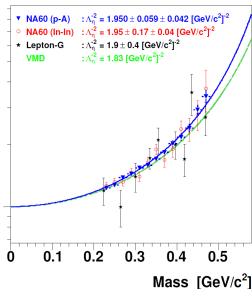


Transition Form Factor :

• $\eta \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$

$\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$

$\eta' \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$



NA60 pA reactions, A.Uras, J.Phys. Conf. Ser.

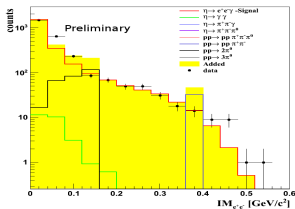
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G. Landsberg, Phys. Rep. 128 (1985) 301

- for ω meson clearly additional mechanism apart from standard VMD
- Recent theoretical advance: C. Terschlusen and St. Leupold, Phys. Lett B 691(2010) 191-201 Chiral Lagrangian including light vector mesons and Goldstone Bosons.
- Different experimental approach : elementary reactions, using di-electrons, photon detection

Transition Form Factor of η meson:

Analysis - H. Bhatt & M. Hodanna



Study of $\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$

$$pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} \eta$$

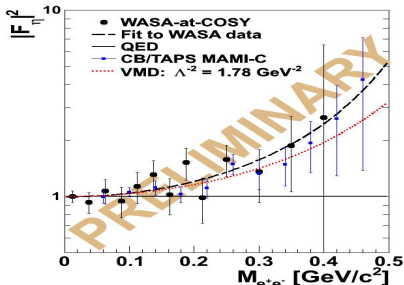
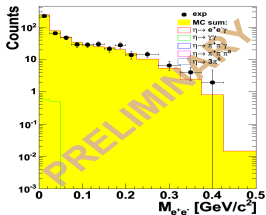
525 ± 26 events

Based on 3×10^7 ${}^3\text{He} \eta$

$$pp \rightarrow pp \eta$$

2659 ± 51 events

Based on 10^7 pp



Transition Form Factor of $\omega\pi^0$ meson

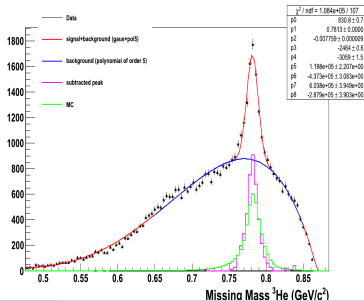
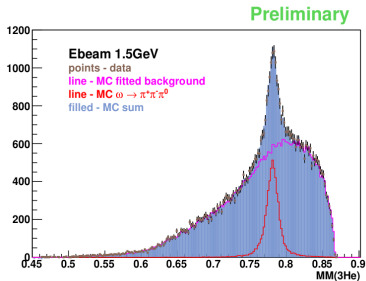
Analysis - F. Khan & A. Goswami

L.Heijkenskjold & S. Sawant

Studies of ω in pd

Missing mass of ${}^3\text{He}$ after $\pi^0\pi^+\pi^-$

Missing mass of ${}^3\text{He}$ after $\pi^0\gamma$ selection (1.5 GeV)



Summary and Outlook :

- Branching Ratio of very rare decay channels like $\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
(5×10^8 η meson from pp)
- η , $\omega\pi$ Transition Form Factor

Back up

External Conversion Subtraction Techniques:

Radius of Closest Approach of e^+e^- in MDC as a function of Invariant Mass at beam pipe

Orientation Angle (ϕ_V^*) of plane of pair with respect to magnetic field

