Coherent π^0 photoproduction on spin-zero nuclei



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Pion photoproduction: DWA





Pion-nucleus scattering: Lippmann-Schwinger equation



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Pion-nucleus scattering: tp potential

Impulse approximation:

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{k}_{\pi} & \mathbf{k}_{\pi}' \\ \mathbf{k}_{\pi}' \\ \mathbf{k}_{\pi}' & \mathbf{k}_{\pi}' \\ \mathbf$$

Factorization approximation:

$$\langle \mathbf{k}' | T_{\pi A} | \mathbf{k} \rangle_{\text{IA, Fact}} = \rho(q) t_{\pi N}^{\pi A \text{ c.m.}}(\mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k}; \mathbf{q}), \quad \rho(q) = \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \phi_{\alpha}^*(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}/2) \phi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}/2), \quad \rho(0) = A.$$
(2)

Spin and isospin averaged *s*- and *p*-wave parts:

$$k_{\pi N}^{\mu N c.m.}(\mathbf{k}_{c.m.}', \mathbf{k}_{c.m.}; \mathbf{q}_{c.m.}) = -4\pi (b_o + c_o \mathbf{k}_{c.m.}'; \mathbf{k}_{c.m.})$$
(3)

Kinematic correction:

$$\mathbf{k}_{\mathrm{c.m.}} \cdot \mathbf{k}_{\mathrm{c.m.}}' \cong \frac{1}{(1+\varepsilon)^2} \left[\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k}' - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \mathbf{q}^2 \right], \ \varepsilon = \omega/m_N \tag{4}$$

$$\langle \mathbf{k}' | T_{\pi A} | \mathbf{k} \rangle_{\text{IA, Fact}} = -4\pi \rho(q) \left((1+\varepsilon)b_o + \frac{c_o}{1+\varepsilon} \left[\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k}' - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \mathbf{q}^2 \right] \right)$$
(5)

Pion-nucleus scattering: optical potential

Klein-Gordon equation:

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2nd-order optical potential: K. Stricker et al., Phys. Rev. C 25 (1982) 952

$$\tilde{U}(\omega, \mathbf{r}) = -4\pi \left[p_1 b_o \rho(r) + p_2 B_o \rho^2(r) - \nabla \frac{\frac{c_o}{p_1} \rho(r) + \frac{C_o}{p_2} \rho^2(r)}{1 + \frac{4\pi}{3} \lambda \left[\frac{1}{p_1} c_o \rho(r) + \frac{1}{p_2} C_o \rho^2(r) \right]} \nabla + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1} \right) c_o \left(\nabla^2 \rho(r) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_2} \right) C_o \left(\nabla^2 \rho^2(r) \right) \right]$$

$$p_1 = \frac{1 + \varepsilon}{1 + \varepsilon/A} \qquad p_2 = \frac{1 + \varepsilon/2}{1 + \varepsilon/(2A)}$$
(5)

Pion-nucleus elastic scattering: testing of potential



Red curves are for π^{\pm} Blue curves are for π^{0}

Solid curves are solutions of L.-SH. Dashed curves are for Born approx.

Potential parameters was taken from the $0 \le T_{\pi} \le 50$ MeV fit by *J.A.Carr et al.*, *PRC 25 (1982) 952*

Pion photoproduction: PWIA



π^0 photoproduction on single nucleon



MAID2007: $\mathcal{F}_{\gamma\pi} = i\tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon} F_1 + (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}_{\pi})(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot [\hat{\mathbf{k}}_{\gamma} \times \boldsymbol{\epsilon}])F_2 + i(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}_{\gamma})(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}_{\pi} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon})F_3 + i(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}_{\pi})(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}_{\pi} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon})F_4$ (2)

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 $\tilde{f}^{\lambda}_{\gamma\pi}$

$$=F_2(W(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}_{\pi},\tilde{\mathbf{k}}_{\gamma}),\tilde{\theta})\left[\hat{\tilde{\mathbf{k}}}_{\gamma}\times\hat{\tilde{\mathbf{k}}}_{\pi}\right]\cdot\mathbf{e}_{\lambda} \quad (5) \qquad W=\sqrt{\left(k_{\gamma}+E_N(p)\right)^2-(\mathbf{k}_{\gamma}+\mathbf{p})^2} \quad (6)$$

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Pion photoproduction: DWIA



$$F_{\gamma\pi}^{\lambda}(\mathbf{k}_{\gamma},\mathbf{k}_{\pi}) = V_{\gamma\pi}^{\lambda}(\mathbf{k}_{\gamma},\mathbf{k}_{\pi}) - \frac{\alpha}{(2\pi)^{2}} \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}_{\pi}'}{\mathcal{M}(k_{\pi}')} \frac{F_{\pi\pi}(\mathbf{k}_{\gamma},\mathbf{k}_{\pi}')V_{\gamma\pi}^{\lambda}(\mathbf{k}_{\pi}',\mathbf{k}_{\gamma})}{E(k_{\pi}) - E(k_{\pi}') + i\varepsilon}$$
(1)
$$\alpha = \frac{A-1}{A} \qquad \qquad \mathcal{M}(k_{\pi}) = \omega(k_{\pi})E_{A}(k_{\pi})/E(k_{\pi})$$

$$F_{2}^{\Delta}\left(\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{\prime},\tilde{k}_{\pi}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{\prime}}{\tilde{k}_{\pi}}g(\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{\prime},\tilde{k}_{\pi})F_{2}^{\Delta}\left(W(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}_{\gamma},\tilde{\mathbf{k}}_{\pi}),\tilde{\theta}\right) \quad (2) \qquad g(\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{\prime},\tilde{k}_{\pi}) = \left(\frac{\Lambda^{2}+\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{2}}{\Lambda^{2}+\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{\prime 2}}\right), \quad \Lambda = 450 \text{MeV} \quad (3)$$

$$F_{2}\left(\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{\prime},\tilde{k}_{\pi}\right) - F_{2}^{\Delta}\left(\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{\prime},\tilde{k}_{\pi}\right) \Rightarrow g(\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{\prime},\tilde{k}_{\pi}) \left[F_{2}\left(\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{\prime},\tilde{k}_{\pi}\right) - F_{2}^{\Delta}\left(\tilde{k}_{\pi}^{\prime},\tilde{k}_{\pi}\right)\right] \quad (4)$$

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$$\frac{1}{W - \overline{M}_{\Delta} + i\overline{\Gamma}_{\Delta}/2} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{W - \overline{M}_{\Delta} + i\overline{\Gamma}_{\Delta}/2 - \Sigma_{\Delta}}$$

Pion photoproduction on ¹²C: DWIA



Blue curve is differential cross section in DWIA approx. Red curves is the same, but without Δ contribution.

Data from

B. Krusche et al., Physics Letters B 526 (2002) 287-294

Pion photoproduction on ¹²C: DWIA



Work to be done

- Perform fits of optical potential for ⁴He and ¹²C
- Extend fit to other nuclei i.e. ⁴⁰Ca,²⁰⁸Pb ...
- Study of model sensitivities:
 - $-\Delta$ resonance suppression
 - deviations from t ρ
 - investigate size of effects beyond the impulse approximation
- Theoretical error estimate