Pressure in generalized parton distributions and distribution amplitudes

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The recent report on pressure distribution in proton supports its similarity to macroscopic stable object. This is valid for other particles and, surprisingly enough, for photons. The general properties of Generalized Parton Distributions and Generalized Distribution Amplitudes are discussed. There are indications that Extended Equivalence Principle which was suggested earlier to explain the Anomalous Gravitomagnetic Moments of quarks and gluons may be generalized to their pressures and shear forces. The latter may be studied in the inclusive hard processes of tensor polarized gluons.
1. Introduction

The recent experimental investigation [1] of the pressure in proton exploring the original brilliant suggestion [2] and its further development [3, 4] resulted for the first time in the impressive picture of the pressure distribution inside proton similar to that in the macroscopic object like star, manifesting the Nature conformity at the very different scales.

It is very interesting that this stability property holds for all the known hadrons and their models [3] and, moreover, for photons [5]. Although consideration of the latter as a static spherically symmetric object which was analyzed originally [3] is problematic (although being slightly off-shell, photon is space-like, so its "rest mass" is, naively, imaginary), the consideration of relevant subtraction, considered in the following sections, is still possible.

Here I discuss the implications and possible generalizations of these results for various aspects of hadron structure.

2. Stability and global properties of GPDs

The extraction of pressure is essentially based on the dispersion relations for DVCS amplitude [6, 7] resulting, at the leading order, in the following "holographic" sum rule [6],

\[ \int_{-1}^{1} dx \frac{H(x, \xi) - H(x,x)}{x - \xi + i \epsilon} = \int_{-1}^{1} dz \frac{D(z)}{z - 1}, \]

(2.1)

where D-term enters. The stability requires it to be negative which is provided by the \( H \) being the decreasing function of its second argument (skewness):

\[ (\xi_1 > \xi_2) \rightarrow (H(x, \xi_1) < H(x, \xi_2)). \]

(2.2)

This is yet another example of global constraint, similar to positivity ones[8]. It is of special interest to recall the convexity of parton distributions preserved by evolution [8].

3. Stability and GDAs

The gravitational formfactors [9], related to pressure, may be also considered in the time-like region, and this opportunity was recently explored to get the relevant information for pion [10]. The holographic sum rule may be also applied in that channel with the same r.h.s. (provided that both \( s \) and \( t \) variables are considered to be negligibly small, while the more accurate description is provided by the corresponding dispersion relation [11]), so that one can get (c.f. [12]) for \( \xi > 1 \):

\[ \int_{-1}^{1} dx [\Phi(x, 1/\xi) \frac{H(x,x)}{x - \xi} - H(x,x) \frac{1}{x - \xi}]. \]

(3.1)

where GDA is related to \( H \) for \( \xi > 1 \) [13]. As a result, the higher harmonics in angular distributions, corresponding to large powers of \( 1/\xi \), are related to higher moments of \( H(x,x) \) [12]. Concerning stability, it is automatically preserved by negative GDA, while positive one should be bounded from above.
4. Shear forces and tensor polarisation

The natural way to get the traceless part of energy-momentum tensor matrix element is provided by tensor polarisation. As the latter is P-even, one may consider forward matrix elements, revealed in inclusive processes \[14\]. The DIS data are compatible \[14\] with the equivalence principle valid separately for quarks and gluons, like it was originally suggested for anomalous gravitomagnetic moments \[9\] and was recently discovered for their pressure \[15\].

To check this picture one may use future studies of DIS at JLab and of Drell-Yan process with tensor polarized deuterons \[16\]. This opportunity, in addition to KEK, may be provided by the NICA collider at JINR \[17\].

Let me also stress here, that tensor polarised parton distribution may be also measured in any hard process with the relevant combination of deuteron polarisations, in particular, for large \(p_T\) pions production, providing much better statistics. To my best knowledge, such opportunity, albeit straightforward, was not yet mentioned explicitly and deserves to be explored further.

5. Conclusions

The stability of hadrons and photons may be used to put the constraints for their non-perturbative matrix elements. The notion of equivalence principle may be extended to valid separately for quarks and gluons, including their gravitomagnetic moments, pressure and shear forces.

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\[1\] Complementary probes are provided by vector mesons \[18\].
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