

First results on the electrocouplings of high lying N^* states from $N\pi\pi$ electroproduction off protons with the CLAS detector.

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We extended a phenomenological model [1, 2], that was utilized for the evaluation of $\gamma_v NN^*$ resonance transition helicity amplitudes (electrocouplings) from $N\pi\pi$ electroproduction cross section data at $W < 1.6$ GeV and $Q^2 < 0.6$ GeV², to provide larger kinematic coverage for resonance masses up to 1.8 GeV. A successful description of the CLAS data [3, 4] on nine differential $N\pi\pi$ cross sections was achieved at $W < 1.8$ GeV and $Q^2 < 1.5$ GeV². The phenomenological analysis allowed us to isolate the resonant contribution to the cross sections and to determine $\gamma_v NN^*$ electrocouplings for states with masses above 1.6 GeV. For the first time, results for the $S_{31}(1620)$, $S_{11}(1650)$, $F_{15}(1685)$, $D_{33}(1700)$, and $P_{13}(1720)$ states were obtained from the analysis of the $p\pi^+\pi^-$ exclusive channel. The study of $p\pi^+\pi^-$ electroproduction is essential for the determination of electrocouplings for high lying N^* states that decay preferably with emission of two pions.

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