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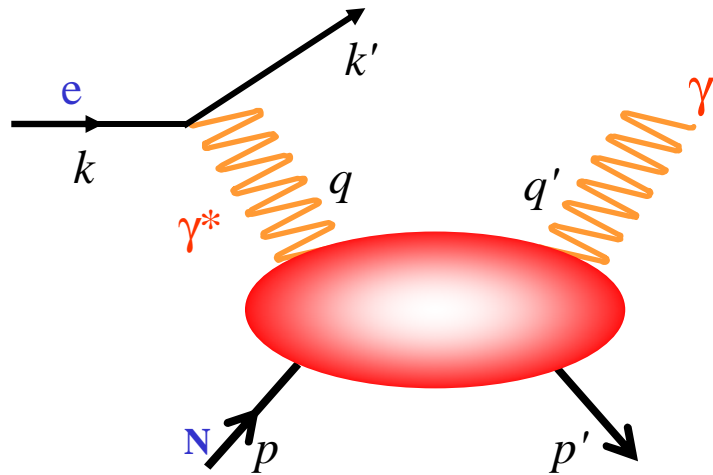
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Deeply virtual Compton scattering and CLAS12.

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Nucleon structure studies via deeply virtual exclusive reactions at Jefferson Lab

(1)



Exclusive $ep \rightarrow ep\gamma$

and also

$ep \rightarrow epp, ep\pi, \dots$

DVCS and **DVMP** are the key reactions

to determine

Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs)

experimentally.

At JLab

Preliminary rounds 1999-2006

First dedicated experiments 2004-2005

Second generation 2008-2011

Final rounds from 2013 (12 GeV upgrade)

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$$Q^2 = -q^2 = -(k - k')^2$$

$$t = (p - p')^2 = (q' - q)^2$$

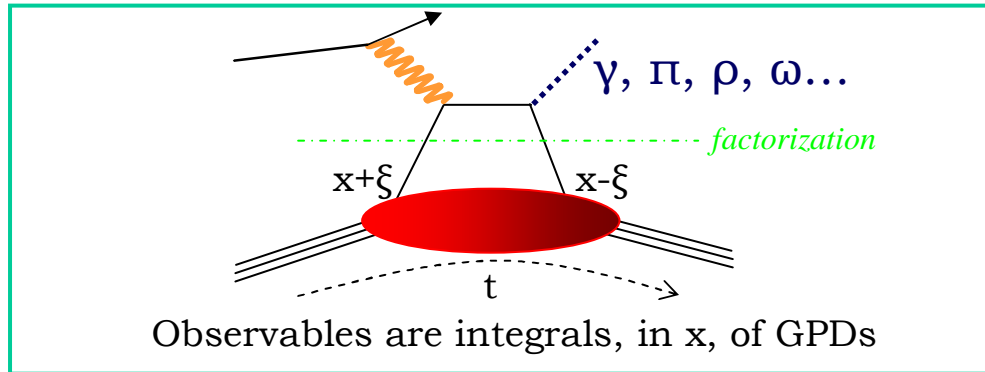
$$x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}$$

Classification of nucleon (chiral-even) GPDs

For each quark flavor and for gluons:

<u>Legend</u>		<i>Forward limit</i>			<i>Operator at quark level</i>
GPD	<i>Operator at nucleon level</i>	<i>Corresponding form factor</i>			
H	<i>Vector</i>	$q(x)$	<i>Tensor</i>	$F_1(t)$	$F_2(t)$
E					–
\tilde{H}	<i>Pseudo-vector</i>	$\Delta q(x)$	<i>Pseudo-scalar</i>	$g_A(t)$	$h_A(t)$
\tilde{E}					–
			Quark helicity independent (or « unpolarized ») GPDs		
			Quark helicity dependent (or « polarized ») GPDs		
Target helicity conserved			Target helicity not conserved		

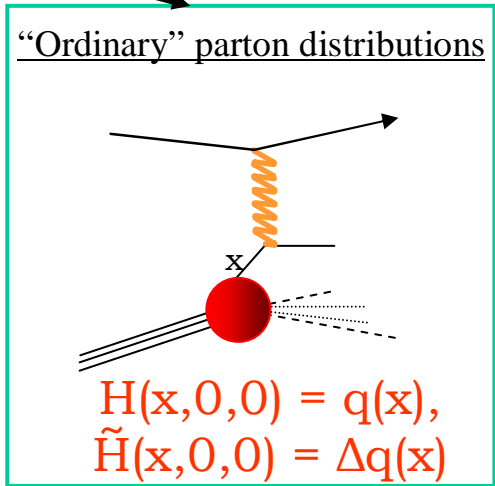
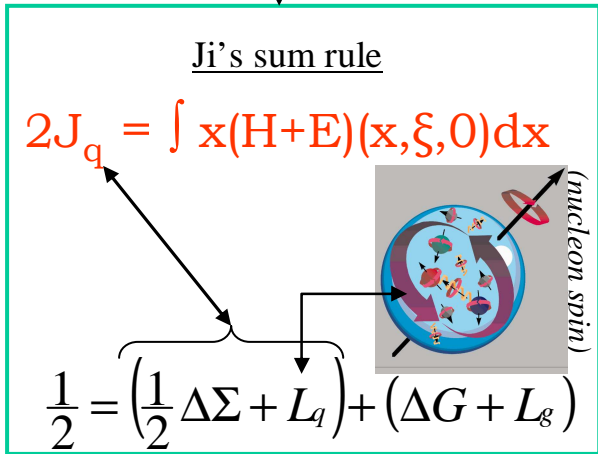
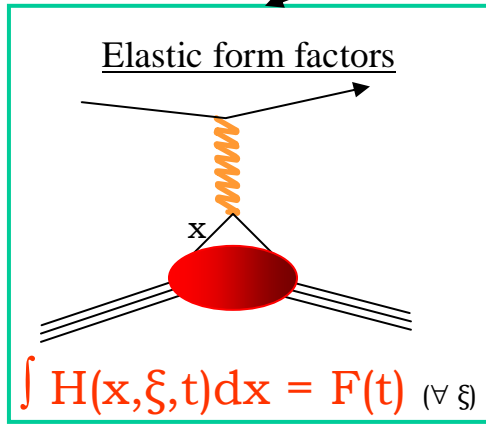
GPD: relation with observables & sum rules



Lattice QCD (moments)
 Models
 Parameterizations

Deconvolution

$H, \tilde{H}, E, \tilde{E}(x, \xi, t)$



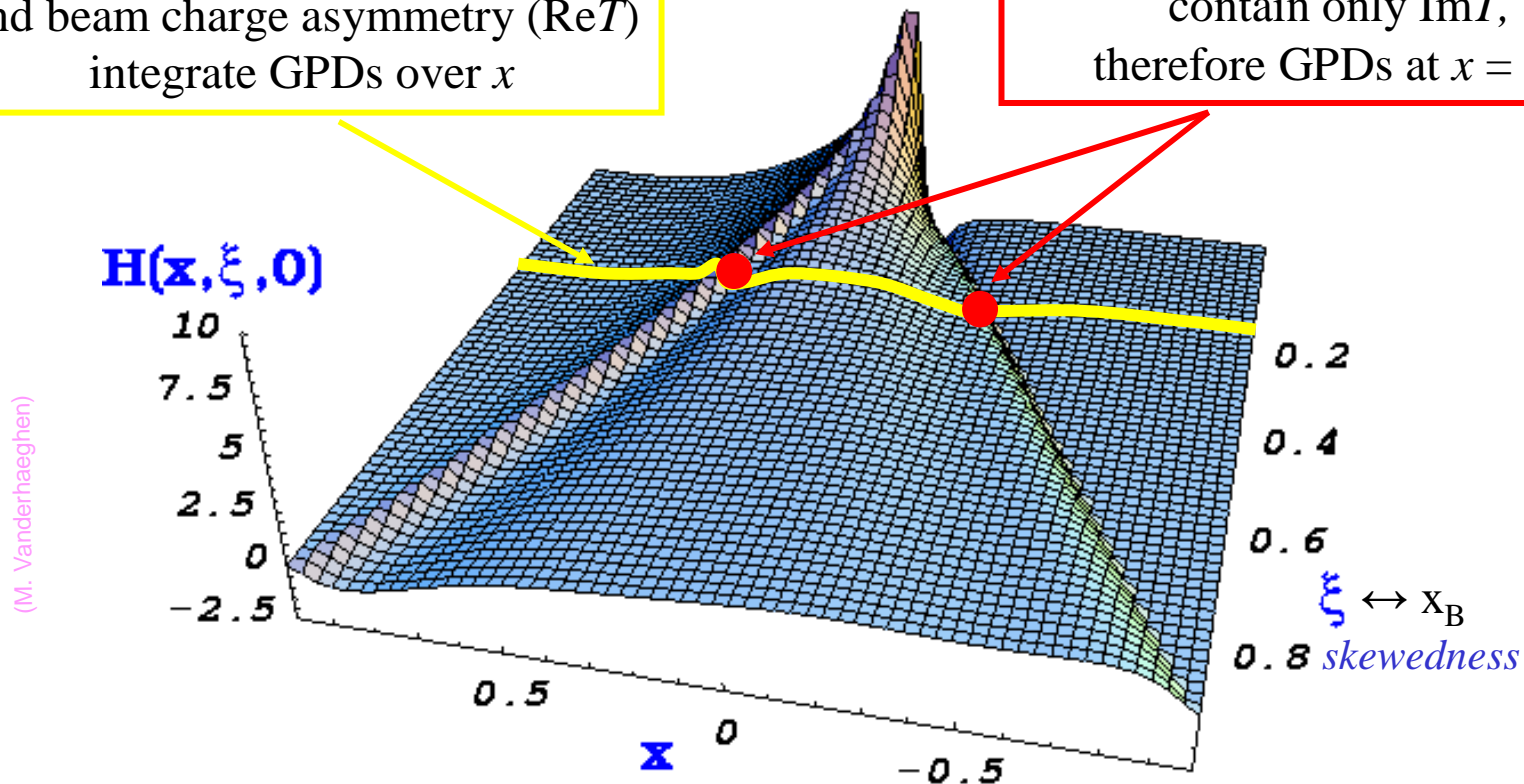
GPD and DVCS

(at leading order:)

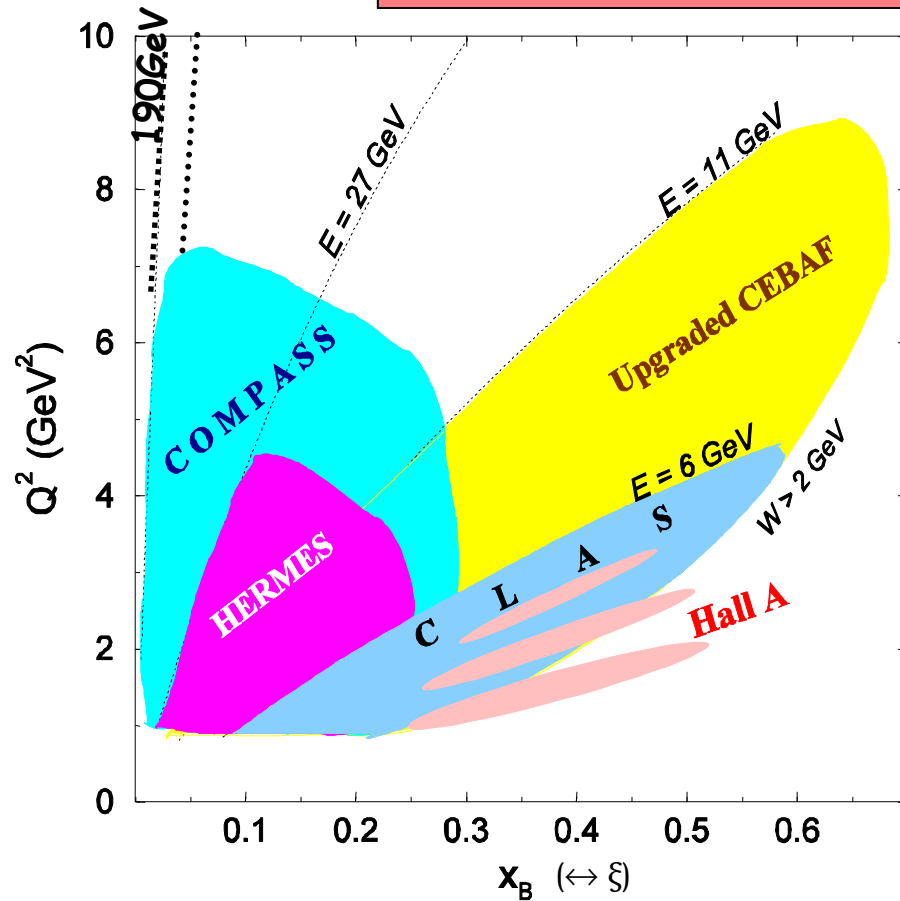
$$T \sim \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{H(x, \xi, t)}{x \pm \xi - i\varepsilon} dx + \dots \sim \mathcal{P} \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{H(x, \xi, t)}{x \pm \xi} dx - i\pi H(\pm\xi, \xi, t) + \dots$$

Cross-section measurement
and beam charge asymmetry ($\text{Re}T$)
integrate GPDs over x

Beam or target spin asymmetries
contain only $\text{Im}T$,
therefore GPDs at $x = \pm\xi$



DVCS experiments in the world



Complementary experiments explore all the components of the nucleon structure.

$0.0001 < x_B < 0.01$
(mostly) Gluons
H1 and ZEUS

PL B517 (2001)
PL B573 (2003)
EPJC 44 (2005)
PL B659 (2008)

Quarks and Gluons

Hermes

PRL 87 (2001)
PRD 75 (2007)
arXiv:0802.2499

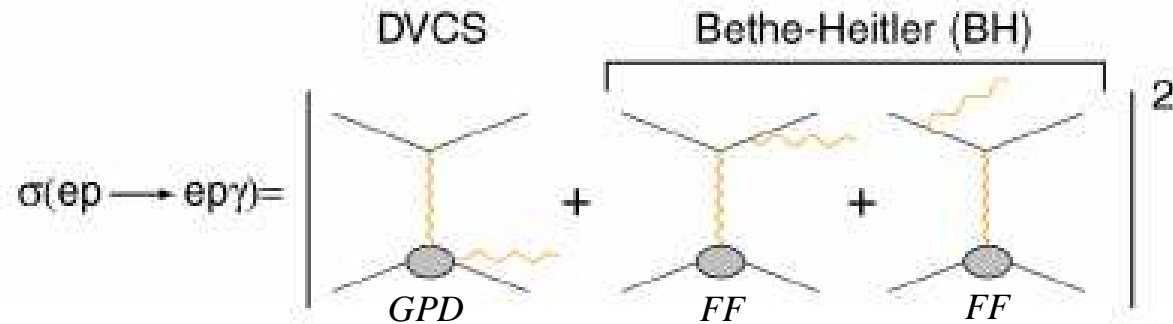
COMPASS

Valence quarks
JLab

PRL 87 (2001)
PRL 97 (2006)
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PRL 99 (2007)
PRL 100 (2008)

DVCS/BH interference

DVCS and Bethe-Heitler processes result in the same final state

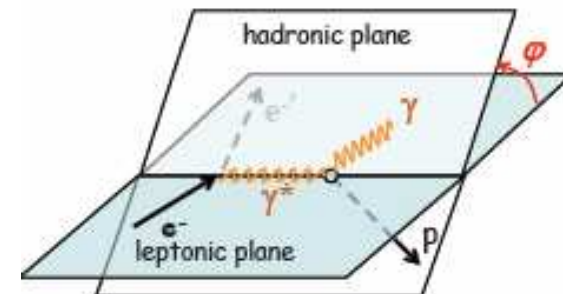


BH is calculable in QED, in function of nucleon FF, well known at low t

$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{dx_B dQ^2 dt d\varphi} \approx |T^{BH}|^2 + 2T^{BH} \cdot \text{Re}(T^{DVCS}) + |T^{DVCS}|^2$$

In spin (or beam charge) cross section differences,

σ^{BH} cancels out



DVCS and GPDs : (some) sensitive observables

(The imaginary part of the) DVCS-BH interference generates a

beam spin cross section difference: $\Delta\sigma_{LU} = (\sigma^+ - \sigma^-)/2 = \Gamma \cdot [A \sin \Phi + \dots]$

$$A = \underline{F_1(t)} \cdot \mathbf{H} + \frac{x_B}{2 - x_B} [F_1(t) + F_2(t)] \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{H}} - \frac{t}{4M^2} F_2(t) \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

$$(\mathbf{H}, \tilde{\mathbf{H}}, \mathbf{E}, \tilde{\mathbf{E}}) = \pi \sum_q e_q^2 [GPD^q(\xi, \xi, t) \pm GPD^q(-\xi, \xi, t)]$$

or an asymmetry: $A_{LU} = \frac{\sigma^+ - \sigma^-}{\sigma^+ + \sigma^-}$

And likewise **target spin cross section differences or asymmetries**:

either *longitudinal*

$$A_{UL} \propto \underline{F_1} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{H}} + \frac{x_B}{2 - x_B} [F_1 + F_2] \cdot \left[\mathbf{H} + \frac{x_B}{2} \mathbf{E} \right] - \frac{x_B}{2 - x_B} \left[\frac{x_B}{2} F_1 + \frac{t}{4M^2} F_2 \right] \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{E}}$$

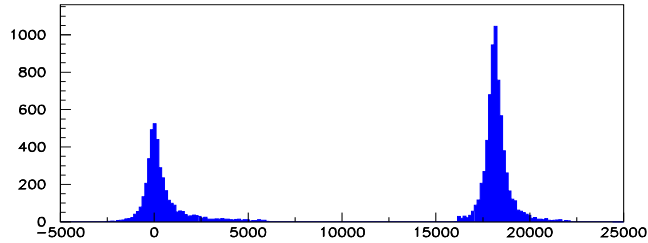
or *transverse*:

$$A_{UT} \propto \frac{t}{2M^2} \{ \underline{F_1} \cdot \mathbf{E} - F_2 \cdot \mathbf{H} \} + x_B^2 \{ \dots \}$$

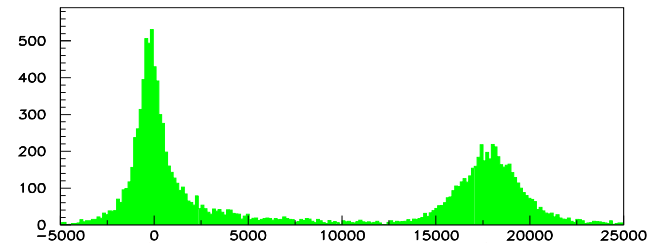
The sinusoidal behaviour is characteristic of the interference BH-DVCS

DVCS: an experimental challenge

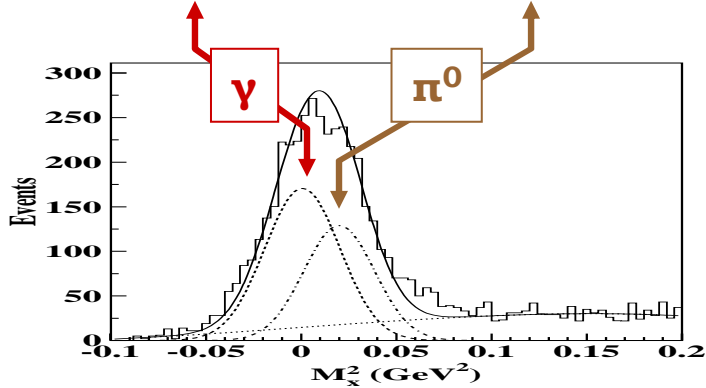
Missing mass M_X^2



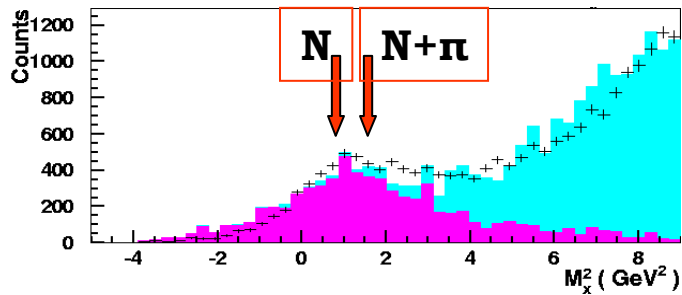
ep \rightarrow epX
MAMI 850
MeV



ep \rightarrow epX
Hall A
4 GeV



ep \rightarrow epX
CLAS
4.2 GeV



ep \rightarrow eyX
HERMES
28 GeV

\rightarrow Require :

Exclusivity

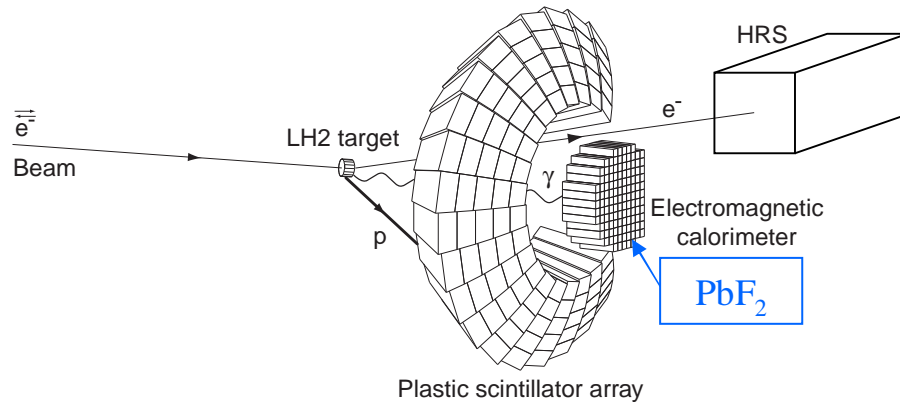
- \rightarrow resolution
- \rightarrow redundant constraints

High Q^2

- \rightarrow luminosity \times acceptance

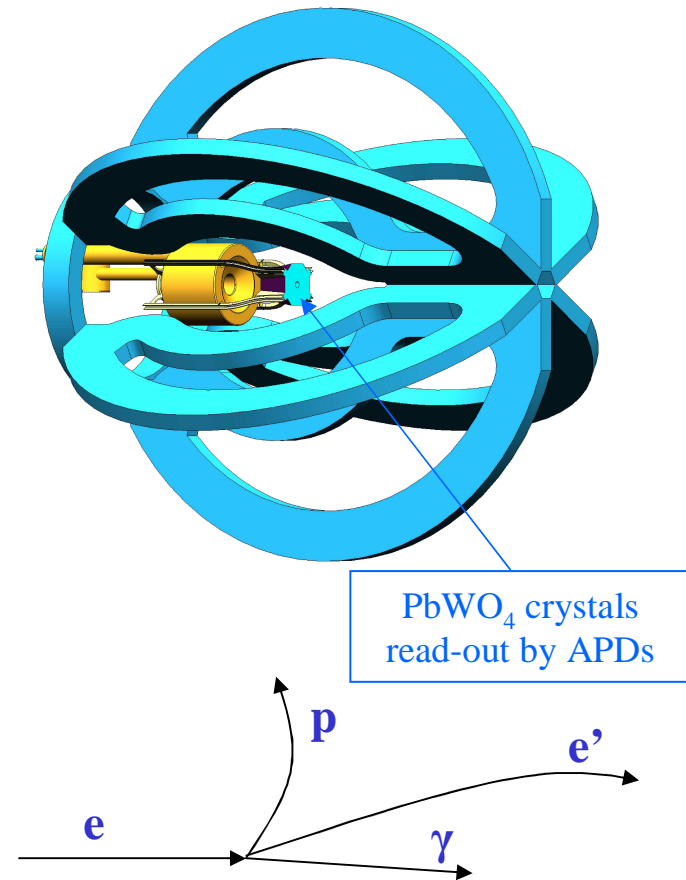
First dedicated DVCS experiments: JLab

Hall A



CLAS

Calorimeter and superconducting magnet within CLAS torus

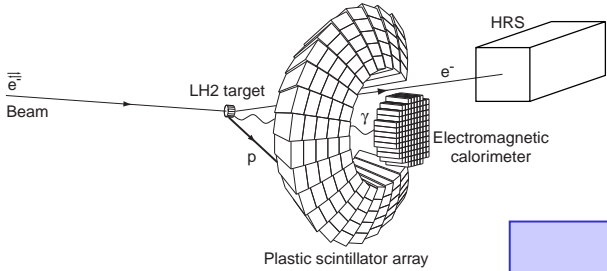


Dedicated, high statistics, DVCS experiments

- Virtual Compton scattering at the quark level
- If scaling laws are observed (up to $Q^2 \sim 5 \text{ GeV}^2$), or deviations thereof understood, first significant measurement of GPDs.
- Large kinematical coverage in x_B and t leads to 3D-picture of the nucleon

DVCS: (close to) full exclusivity achieved at JLab

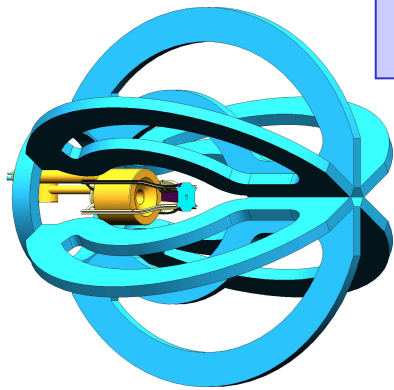
Exclusivity
→ resolution
→ redundant constraints
High Q^2
→ luminosity \times acceptance



$ep \rightarrow e\gamma X$
Hall A
5.75 GeV

In both cases,
background is small (mostly from $ep \rightarrow ep\pi^0$)
and estimated in a model-independent fashion

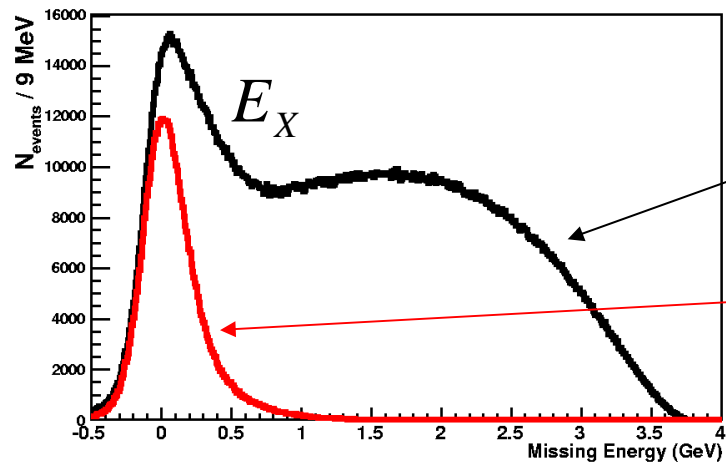
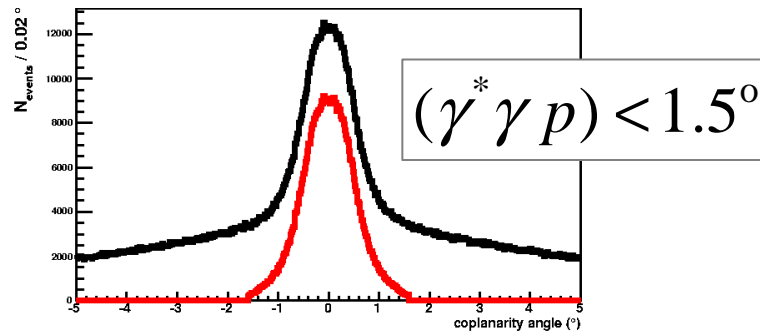
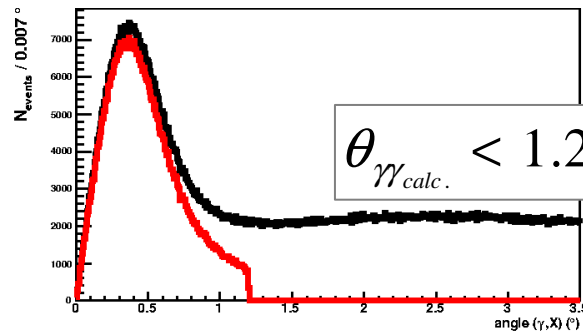
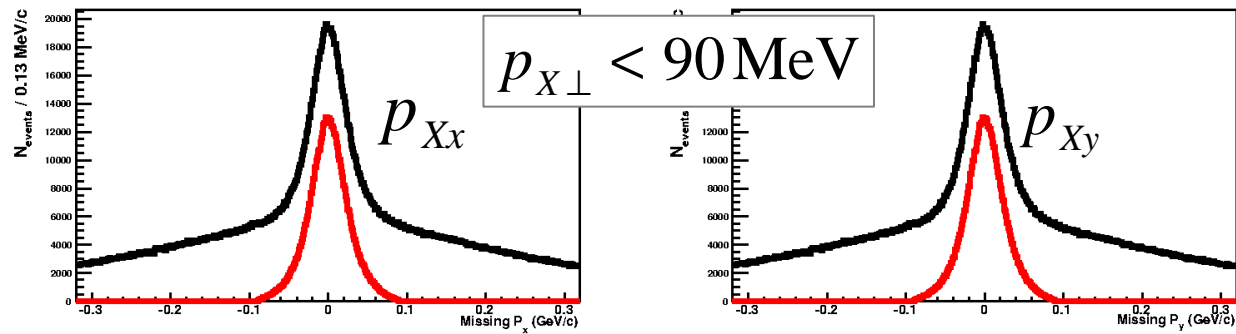
$10^{37} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1} / 5 \text{ msr (e)}$



$ep \rightarrow ep\gamma$
CLAS
5.75 GeV

$2 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1} / \sim 2 \text{ sr (e/p)}$

Event selection in CLAS/DVCS ($ep \rightarrow ep\gamma X$)

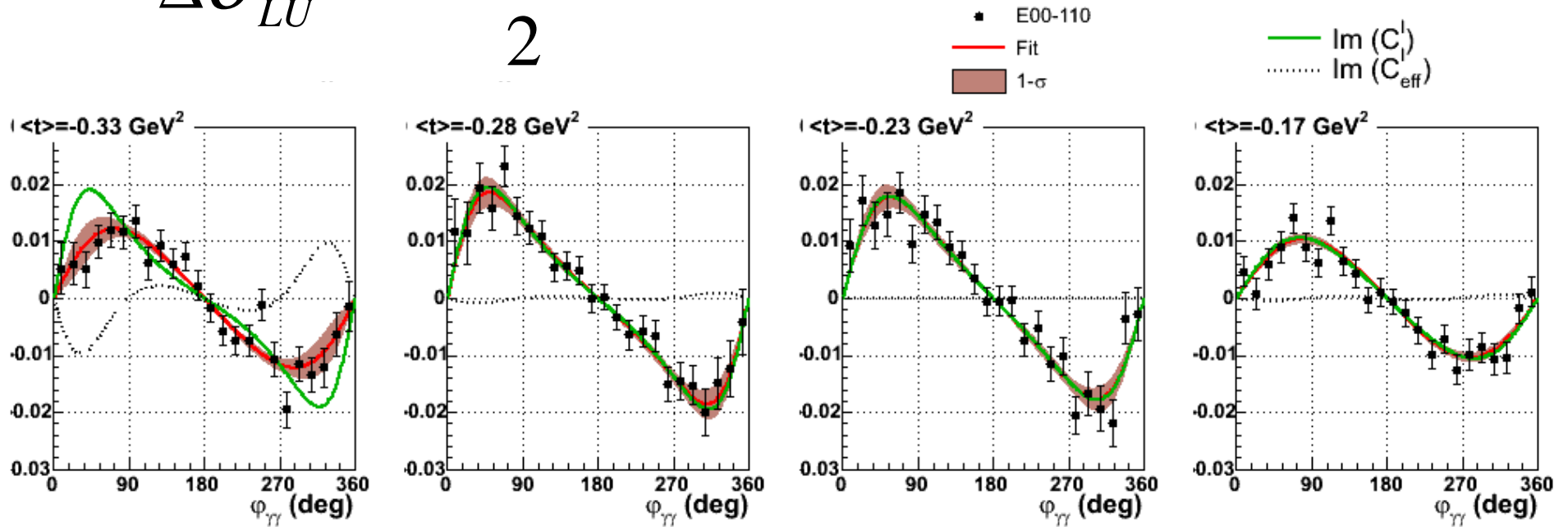


All $ep\gamma X$ events

After kinematical cuts given above
→ cleanest « DVCS » peak ever

Hall A results on $\Delta\sigma_{LU}$ ($ep \rightarrow ep\gamma$): an unprecedented precision

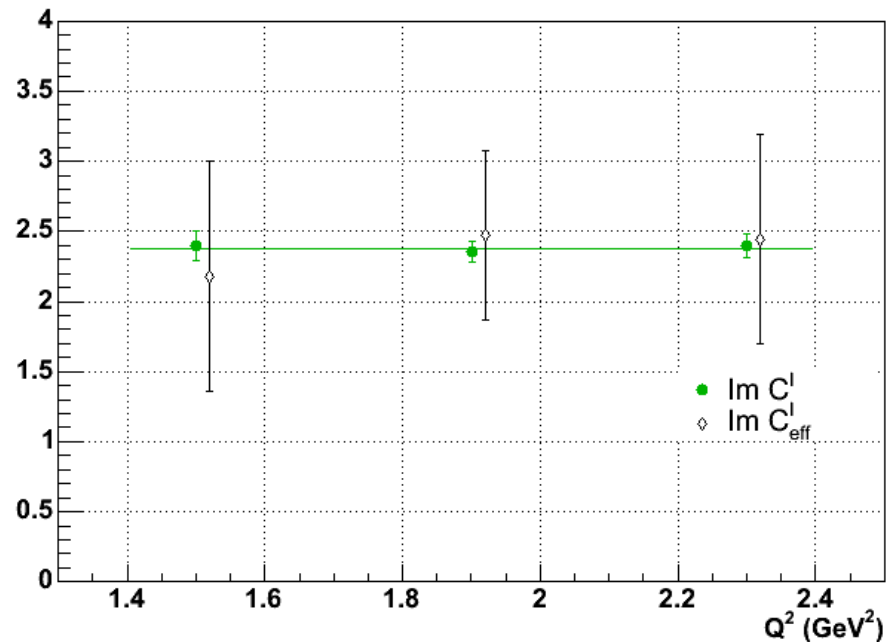
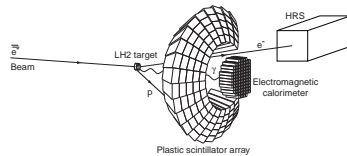
$$\Delta\sigma_{LU} = \frac{\sigma^+ - \sigma^-}{2}$$



Hall A results : an unprecedented precision

$$\frac{\sigma^+ - \sigma^-}{2} = \Gamma \cdot \left[A \sin \Phi + \frac{\lambda}{Q} B \sin 2\Phi + \dots \right]$$

For fixed x_B and t , A and B are found independent of Q^2 :

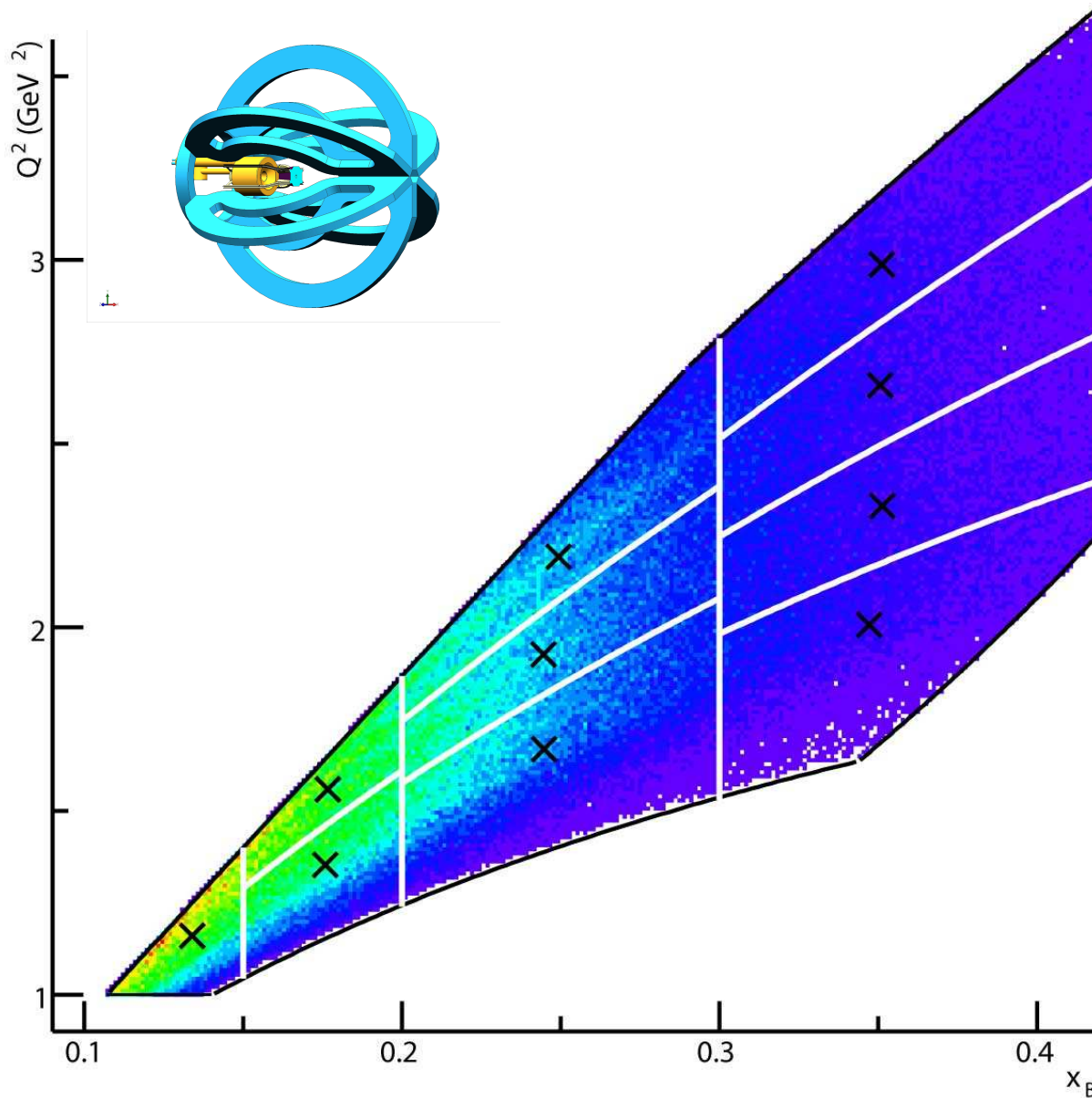


➔ This is the first direct indication of scaling in DVCS !

➔ Compton scattering is occurring at the quark level !

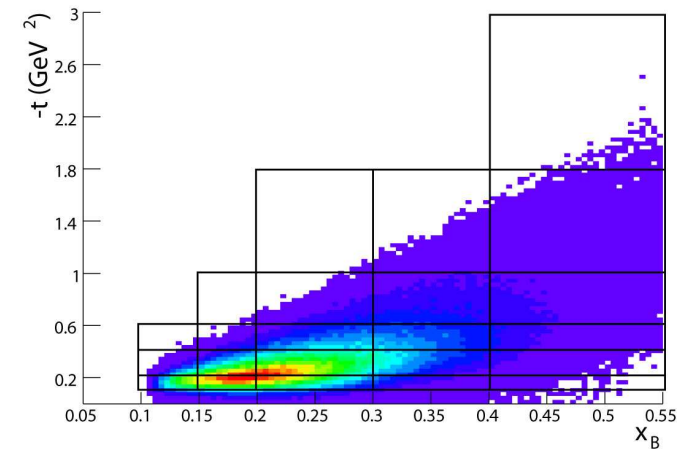
➔ Purely experimental extraction of GPDs can really start !

CLAS: an unprecedented kinematic coverage

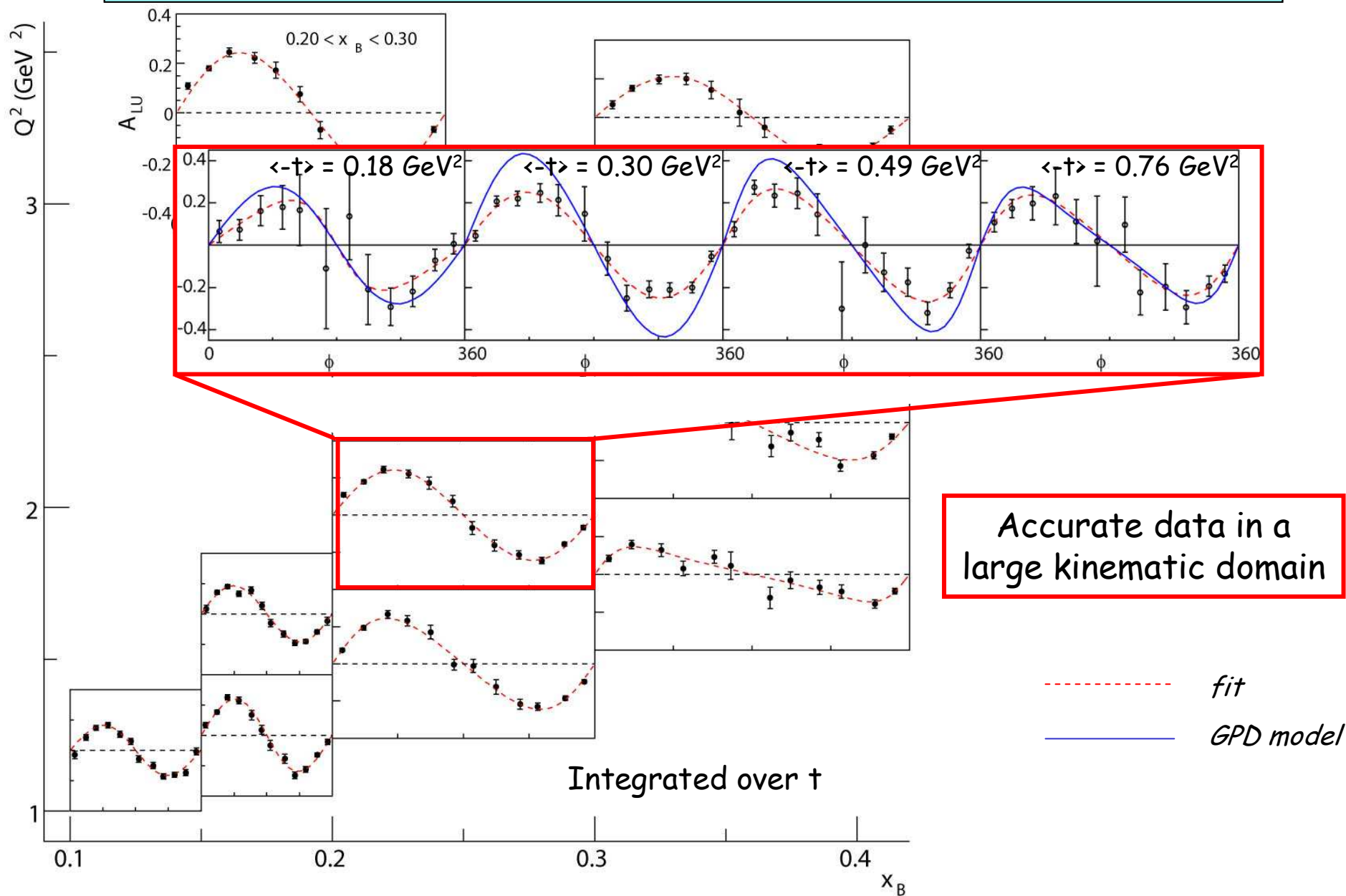


$W > 2 \text{ GeV}$
 $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

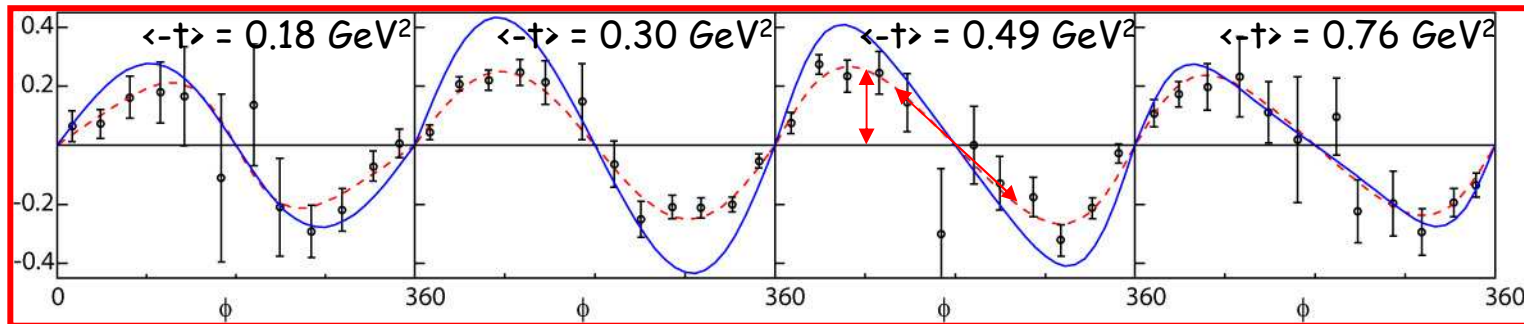
+ 3 high- x_B / high- Q^2 bins
not shown



CLAS: beam-spin asymmetry binned in all 4 variables



CLAS beam-spin asymmetries



In all bins, Φ dependence compatible with leading-twist expectation

$$A_{LU} = \frac{a \sin \phi}{1 + c \cos \phi + d \cos 2\phi}$$

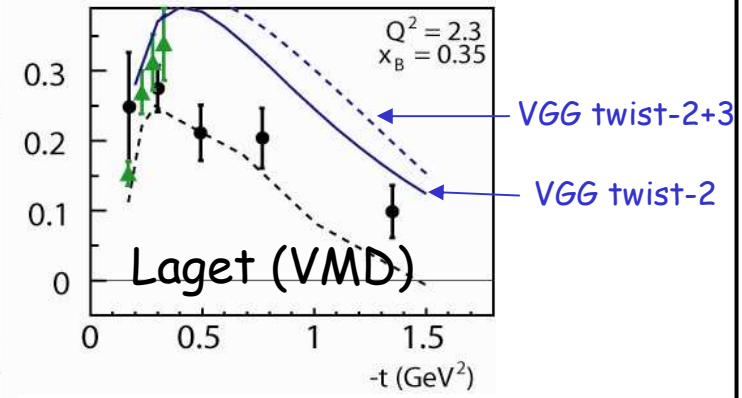
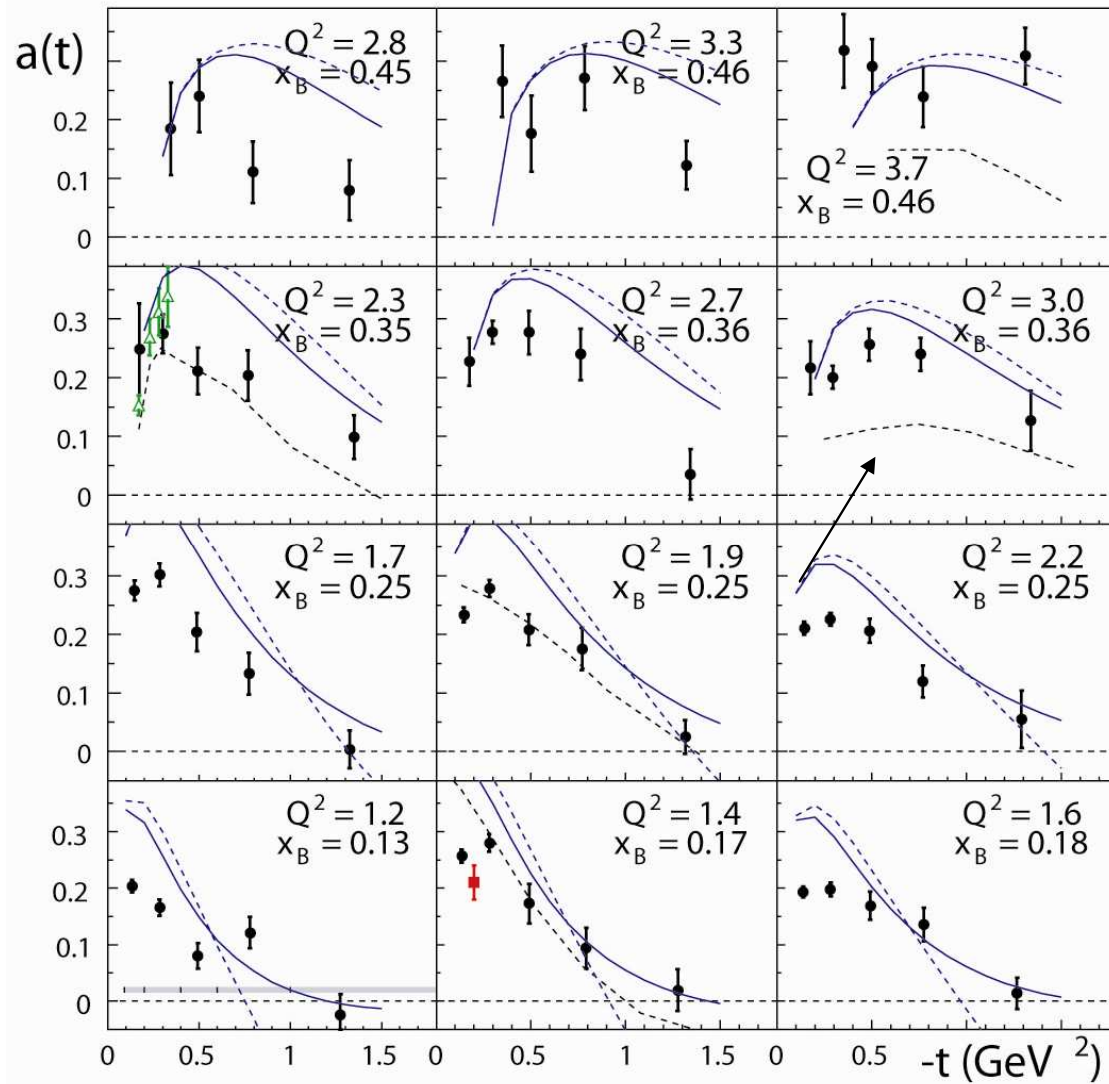
with d negligibly small

$a \approx A_{LU}(90^\circ)$ is mostly sensitive to $\text{Im}(\text{DVCS}) \rightarrow H(\xi, \xi, t)$

c has additional sensitivity to $\text{Re}(\text{DVCS})$

(but such an analysis has to await new formalism under construction)

CLAS: $a = A_{LU}(90^\circ)$ as a function of t

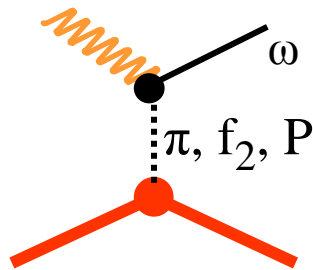


Comments on GPD parameterizations

- Double-distributions are not able to reproduce the new precise JLab data. Is the functional form not adequate? Are there still higher-twist contributions to the unpolarized cross section?
- A dual representation is being revived (Polyakov & Vanderhaeghen, [arXiv:0803.1271](https://arxiv.org/abs/0803.1271)). With simplifying assumptions (dominance of GPD H and truncation of infinite series of t -channel exchanges to first - forward-like - term), it gives an adequate description of the same data. Is this accidental or really giving the main physical picture? If the latter is true, it gives direct access to $H(x,0,t)$ and to the 2D-imaging of the quarks inside the nucleon.
- A reliable and practical parameterization is needed before performing general fits of world data. This future is within reach...

Deeply virtual meson production: vector mesons

Meson and Pomeron (or two-gluon) exchange ...



ρ^0	$(\sigma), f_2, P$
ω	π, f_2, P
Φ	P

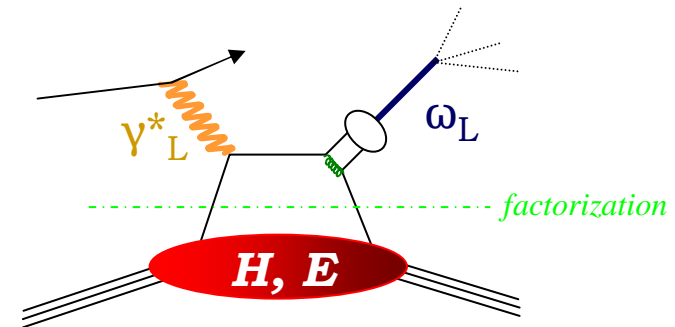
ω production shown to be dominated by π^0 exchange, for Q^2 up to 5 GeV^2

CLAS, EPJA 24 (2005)

... or scattering at the quark level ?

Flavor sensitivity of DVMP on the proton:

ρ^0	$2u+d, 9g/4$
ω	$2u-d, 3g/4$
Φ	s, g
ρ^+	$u-d$



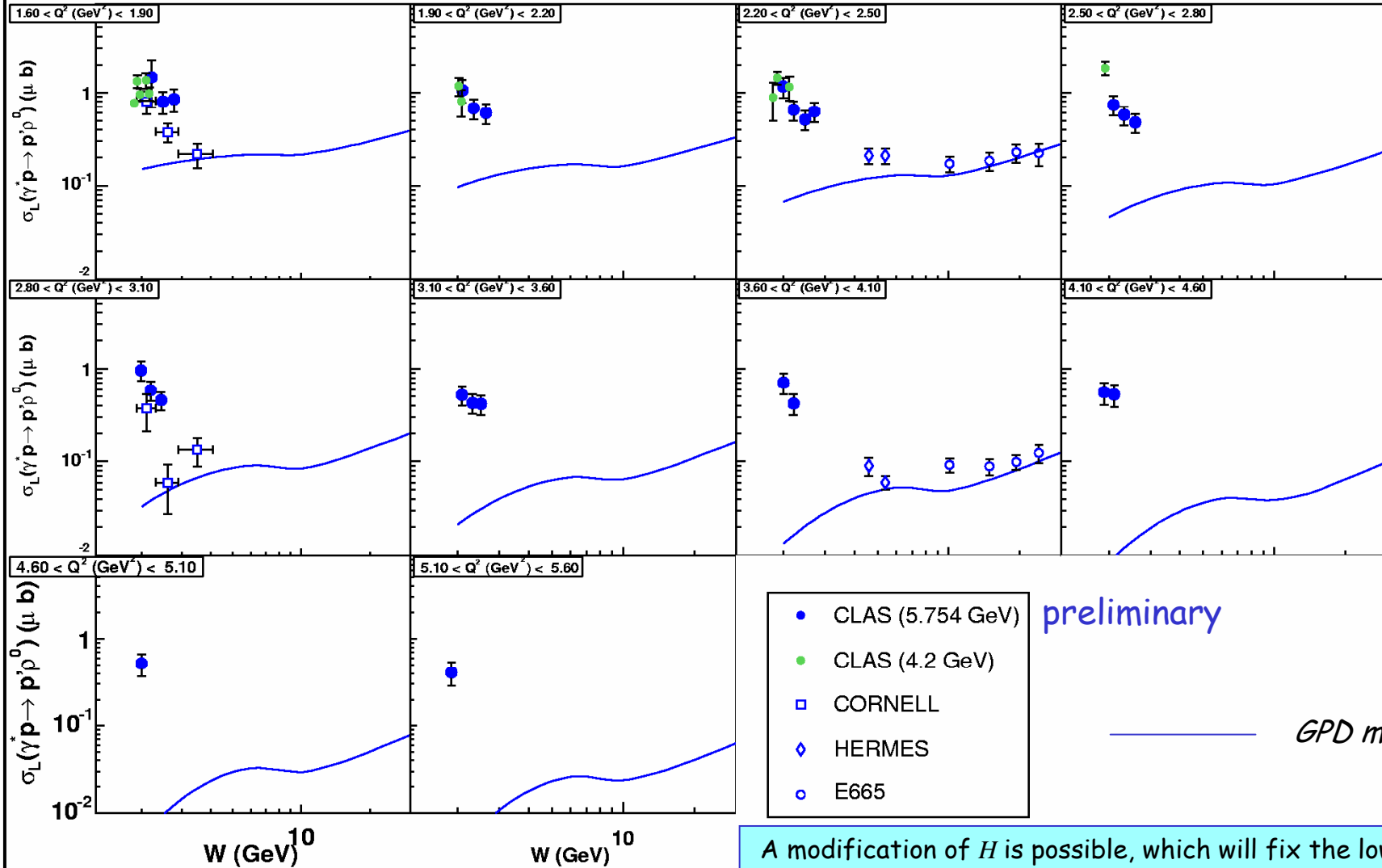
$$\frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} \propto \frac{1}{Q^4} \left[\frac{\alpha_s}{Q} \sum \iint \frac{\psi_M(z)}{z} \frac{1}{x \pm \xi \mp i\epsilon} (aH + bE)(x, \xi, t) dx dz \right]^2 \propto \frac{f(\xi, t)}{Q^6}$$

ρ_L production : a theoretical prejudice more in favor of handbag diagram dominance.

HERMES, EPJC 17 (2002) & CLAS, PLB 605 (2005) + preliminary results

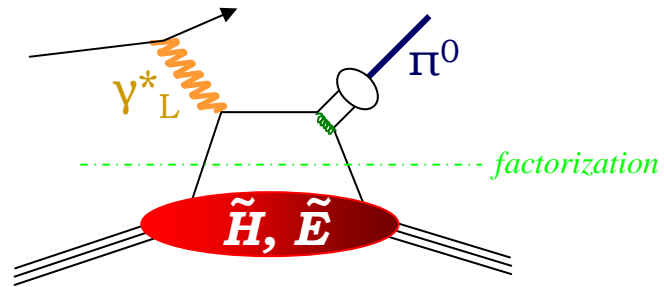
Deeply virtual meson production: ρ

Longitudinal cross section $\sigma_L(\gamma^* p \rightarrow p \rho_L^0)$



A modification of H is possible, which will fix the low- W / high- x_B behaviour, but is it real?

Deeply virtual meson production: pseudoscalar mesons



See next talk
for new results
from Hall A and CLAS
on π^0 production

... and much more to come

More DVCS experiments at JLab / 6 GeV

2008: doubling the statistics for BSA (A_{LU}) at CLAS

H

2009: CLAS/LTSA (A_{UL}) experiment
(longitudinally polarized target + inner calorimeter)

\tilde{H}

2010: Hall A experiment at lower energy for « Rosenbluth-like »
separation of terms entering the DVCS cross section.

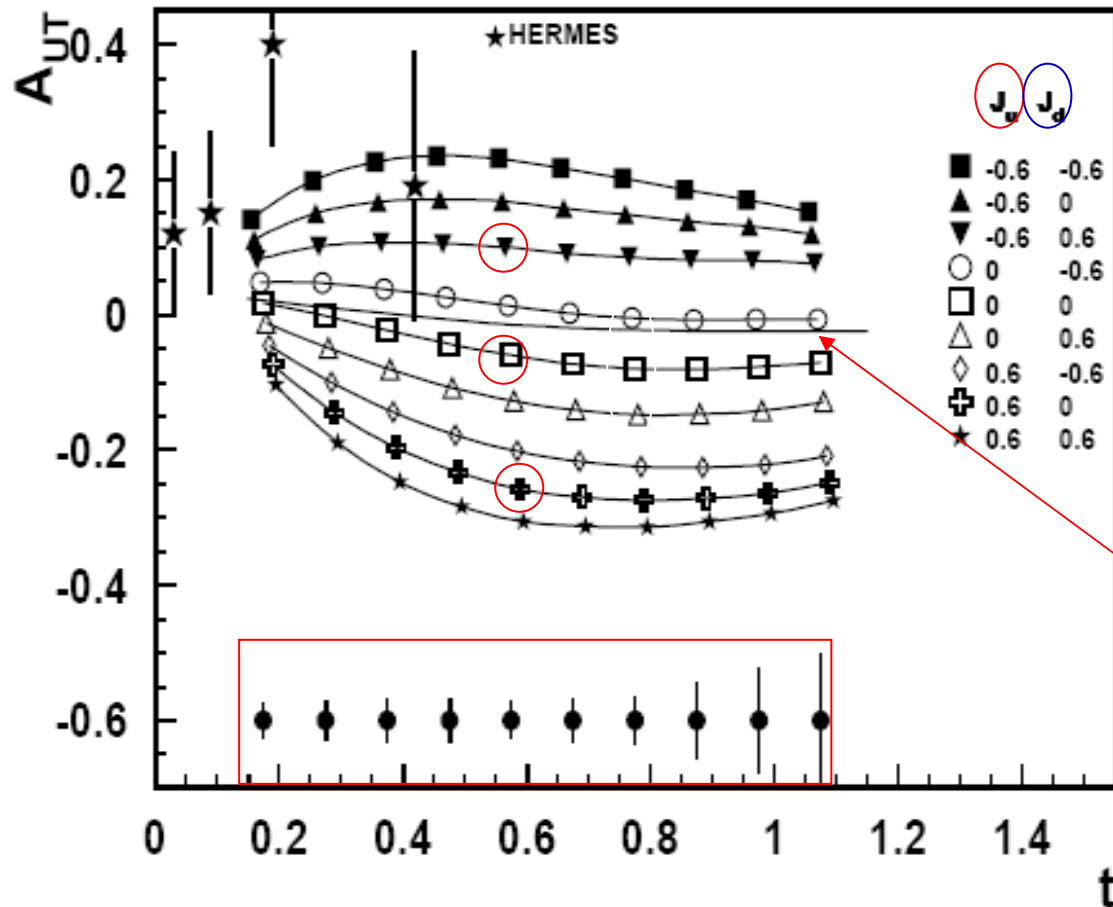
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2011: CLAS/TTSA (A_{UT}) experiment
(transversely polarized target - possibly HD)

E

CLAS: Sensitivity of A_{UT} to GPD E

proton $x=0.25, Q^2=2.0$

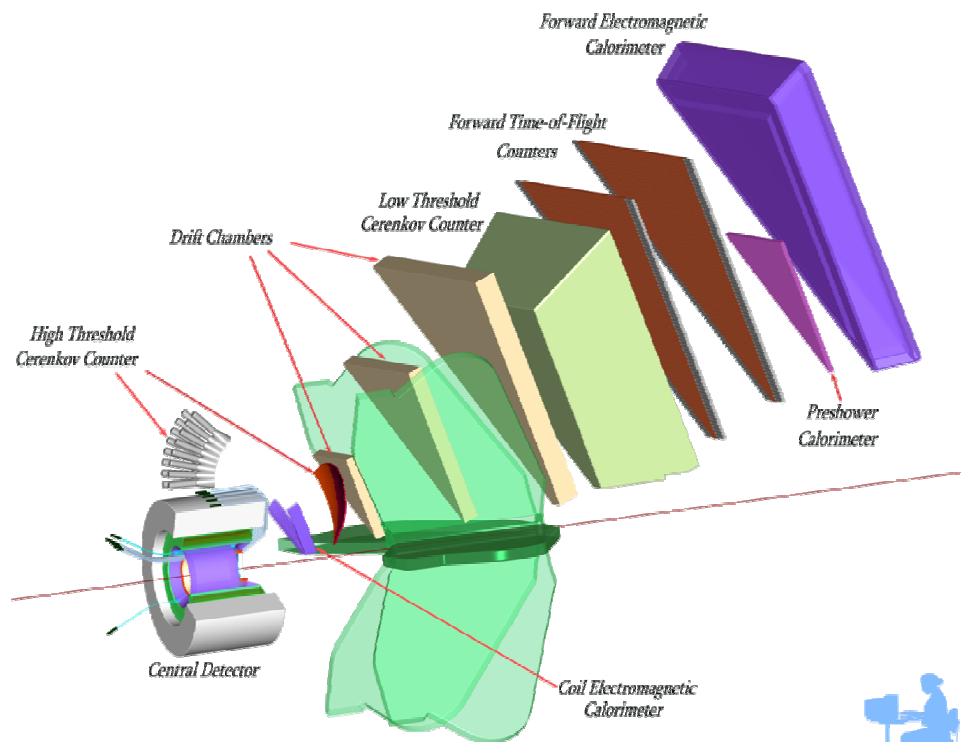


Anticipated results from CLAS at 6 GeV

Technical challenge: use of polarized HD with electron beam

Transverse asymmetry is large and has strong sensitivity to GPD- E and thus to the quark angular momentum contributions.

JLab @ 12 GeV: CLAS12



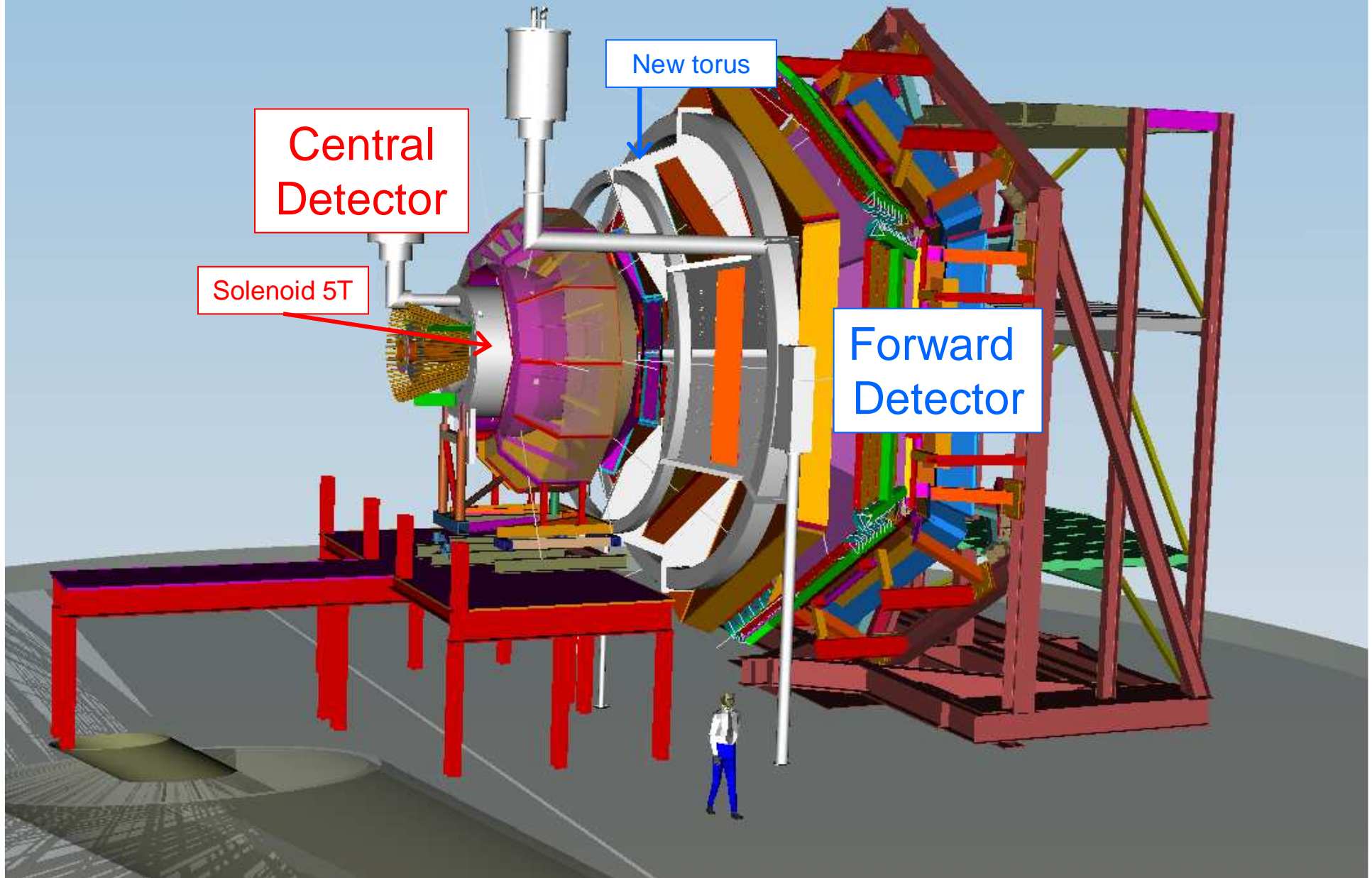
Study of quark dynamics
within the nucleon.

Measurement of GPDs

(+ quark angular
momentum)

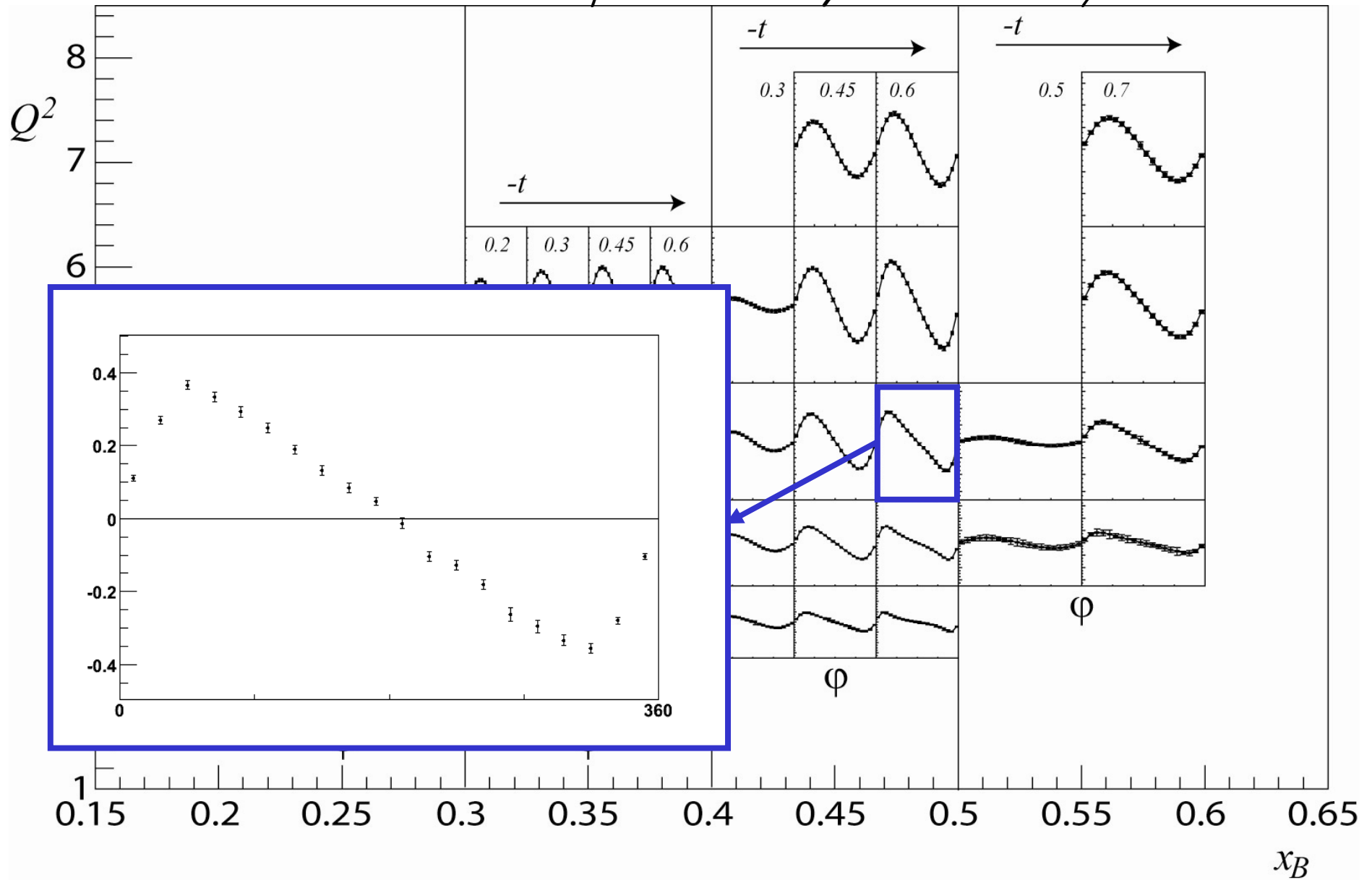
First beam in 2014

CLAS12 - Detector



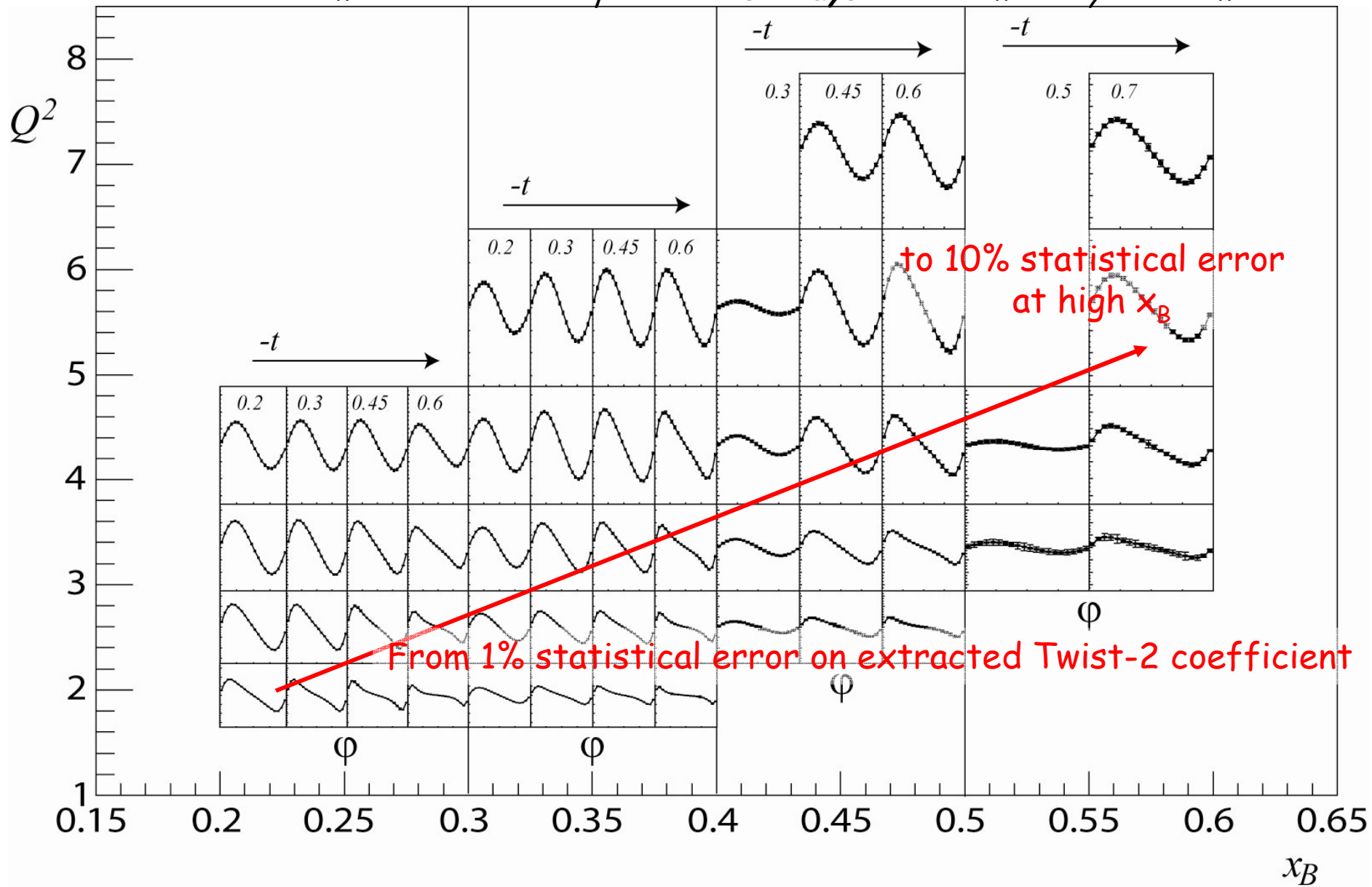
CLAS12: Beam-spin asymmetries

Inner Calorimeter in standard position - 80 days - 10^{35} luminosity - VGG model

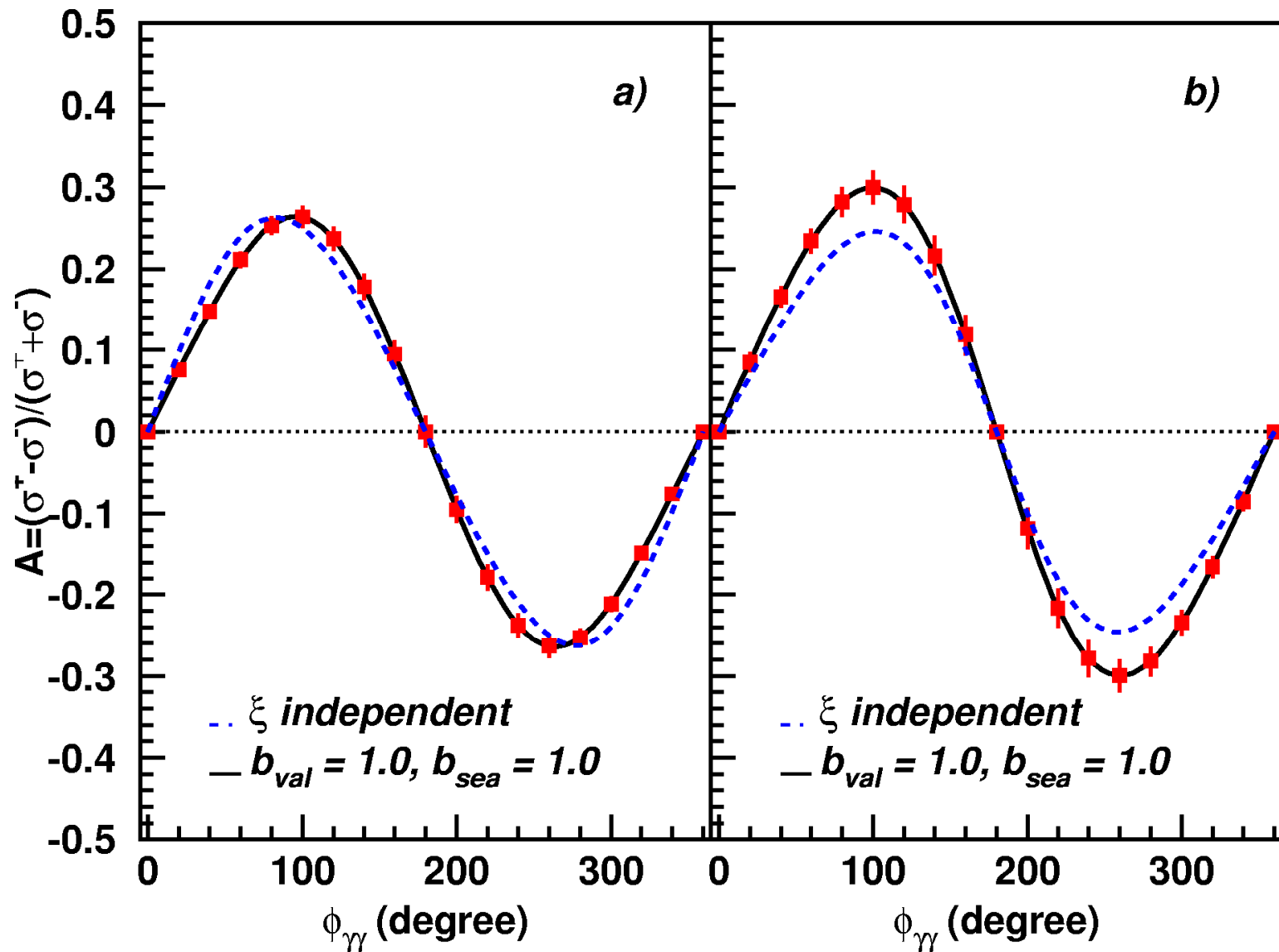


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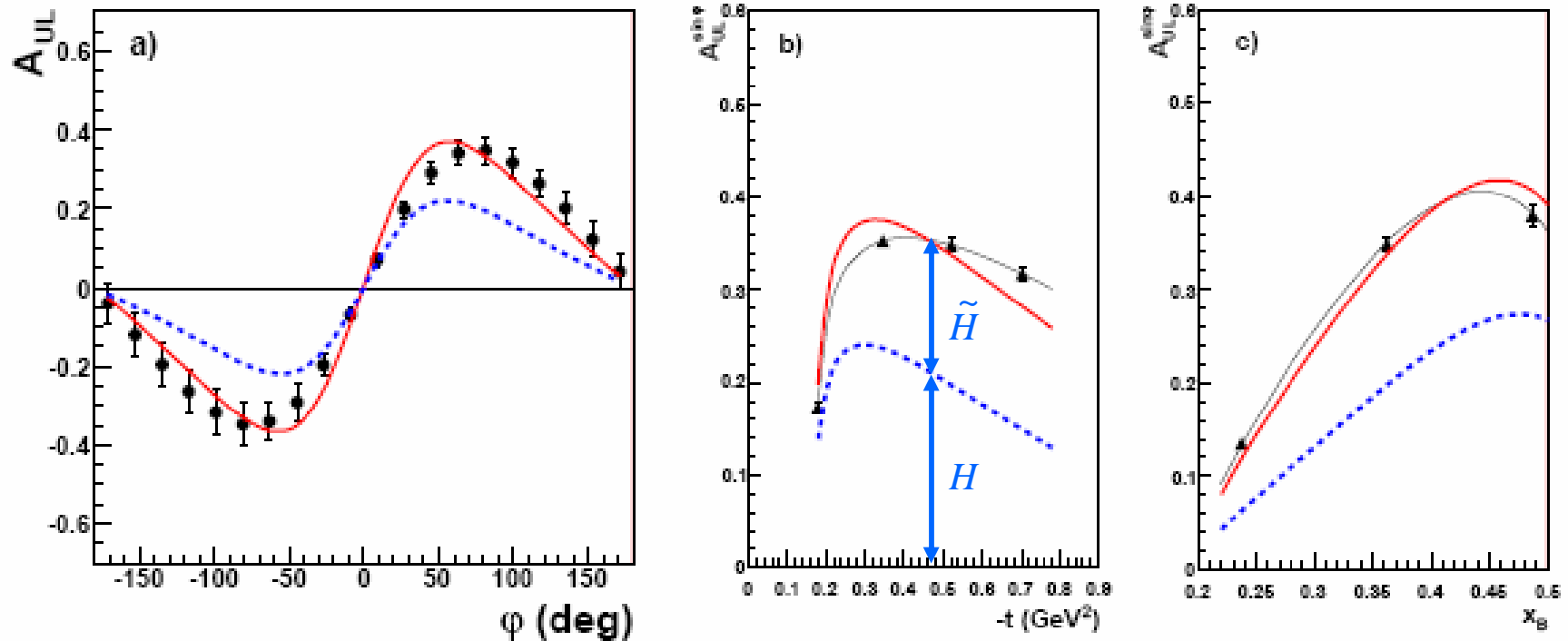


972 data points
measured
simultaneously

Q^2, x_B, t ranges
measured
simultaneously.

$A(Q^2, x_B, t)$
 $\Delta\sigma(Q^2, x_B, t)$
 $\sigma(Q^2, x_B, t)$

CLAS12: Target-spin asymmetries



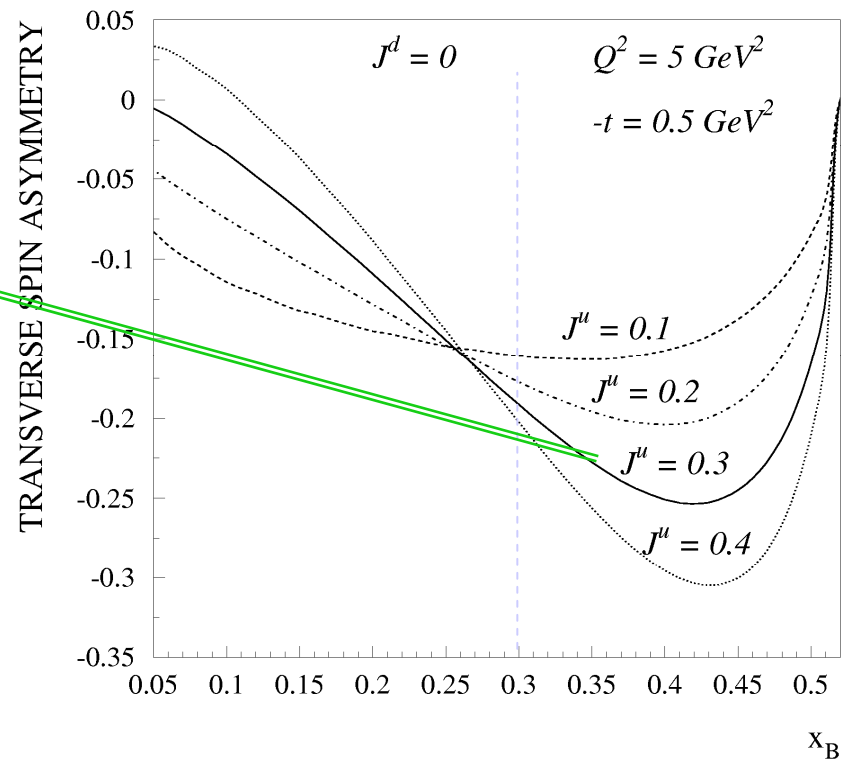
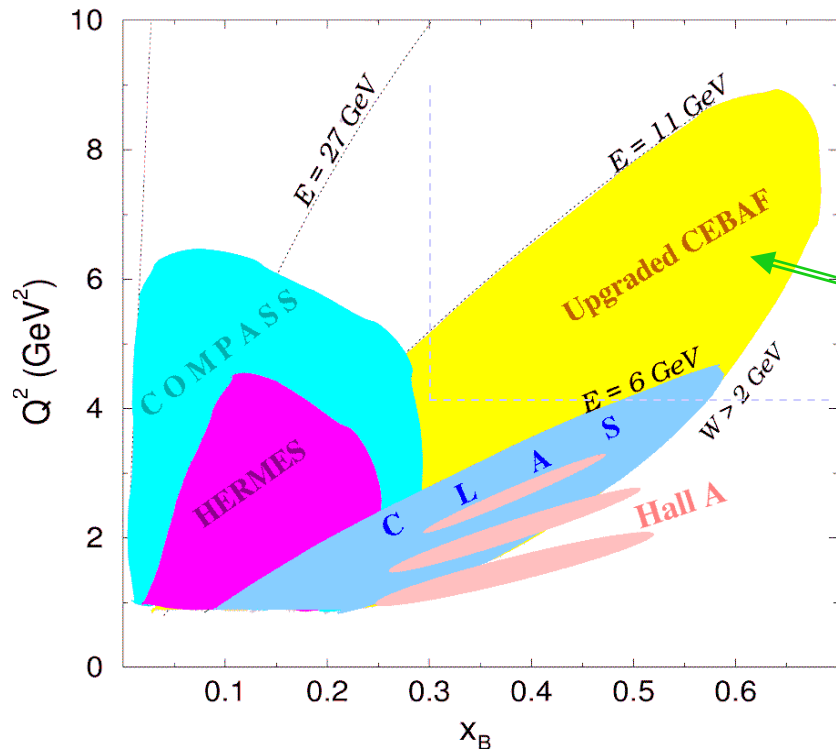
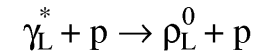
Longitudinal target spin asymmetry,
with uncertainty projected for 11 GeV
(approved experiment).

ρ^0/ω production with transverse polarized target

$$A_{UT} \propto \frac{\text{Im}(\mathcal{H}_\rho \mathcal{E}_\rho^*)}{|\mathcal{H}_\rho|^2 (1-\xi^2) - |\mathcal{E}_\rho|^2 (\xi^2 + t/4M^2) - 2\xi^2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{H}_\rho \mathcal{E}_\rho^*)}$$

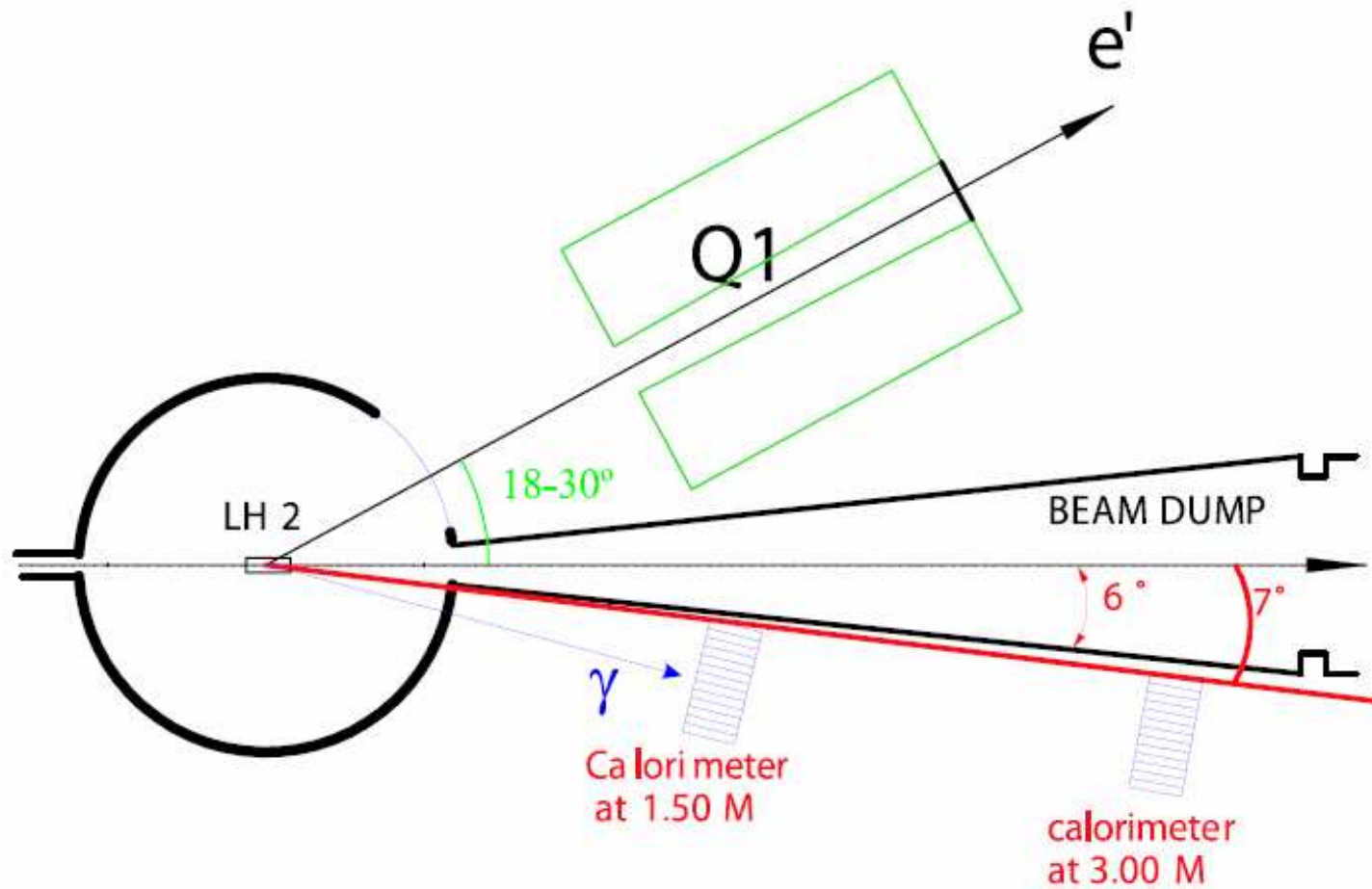
$$\mathcal{H}_\rho = \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2}} (e_u H^u - e_d H^d) [(x-\xi+i\varepsilon)^{-1} + (x+\xi-i\varepsilon)^{-1}]$$

Asymmetry depends linearly on the GPD E , which enters in Ji's sum rule. High x_B contribute significantly.



JLab @ 6.6 - 11 GeV: Hall A

Experimental configuration ($ep \rightarrow e\gamma X$)

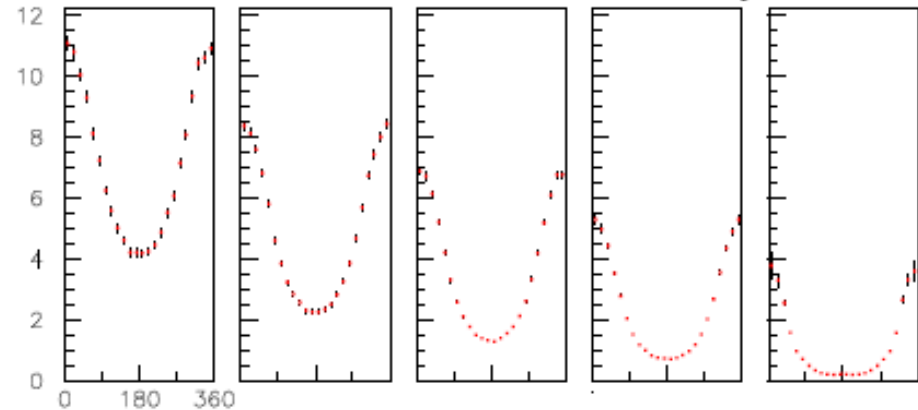


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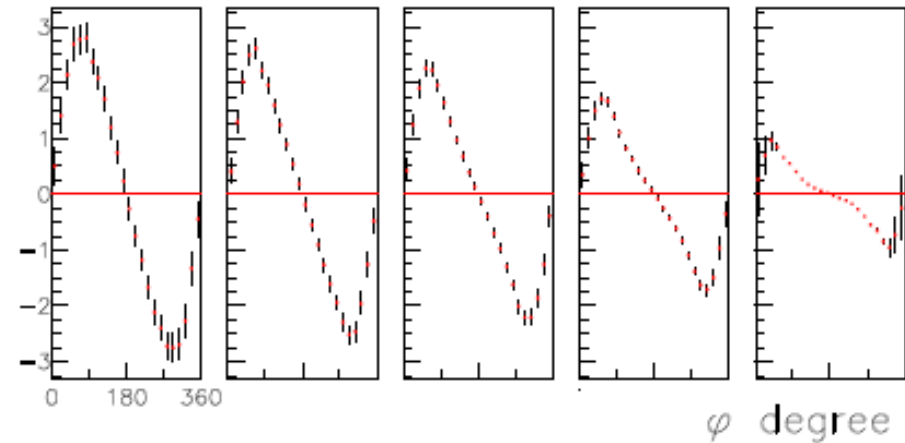
Cross sections

- ▶ 250k events/setting or 40k events per t -bin

Helicity-independent cross sections (pb/GeV⁴)
6.6 GeV setting $Q^2 = 3.0 \text{ GeV}^2$, $x_{Bj} = 0.36$



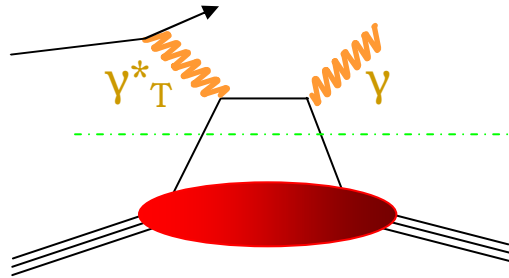
$-0.11 > t_1 > -0.19 > t_2 > -0.24 > t_3 > -0.31 > t_4 > -0.42 > t_5 > -1$



Helicity-dependent cross sections (pb/GeV⁴)

How to measure GPD's?

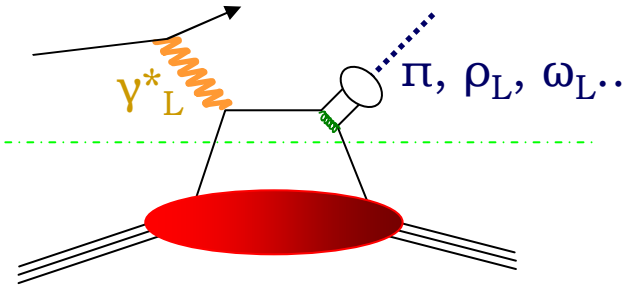
Summary of observables to be mapped out



**DVCS
(Virtual Compton)**

- Sensitive to all H , E , \tilde{H} and \tilde{E}
- Beam spin asymmetry $\rightarrow H(p)$ or $E(n)$ at $x = \pm\zeta$
- Target spin asymmetry (long.) $\rightarrow \tilde{H}$ at $x = \pm\zeta$,
- Target spin asymmetry (transv.) \rightarrow also E
- Beam charge asymmetry $\rightarrow H$
- leading order (twist-2) contribution
dominates down to relatively low Q^2
- Cross sections:
BH/DVCS decreases when E increases

Factorization
theorems



**DVMP
(Meson production)**

- Pseudoscalar mesons $\rightarrow \tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$
- Vector mesons $\rightarrow H, E$ (the GPDs entering Ji's sum rule)
- Different mesons \rightarrow flavor decomposition of GPDs,
- Cross sections: necessary to extract σ_L ($\sim 1/Q^6$)
- Ratios $\sigma_L(\eta)/\sigma_L(\pi^0), \sigma_L(\rho)/\sigma_L(\omega)$
- Asymmetries, e.g. with transverse polarized target
 $A_{UT}(\pi) \sim \tilde{H} \cdot \tilde{E}, A_{UT}(\rho) \sim H \cdot E$
- Such ratios and asymmetries less sensitive to higher-twist contributions.

Conclusion & perspectives

JLab, with high luminosity and/or high-acceptance detectors,
is well equipped for the studies of (rare) deeply exclusive reactions

At 6 GeV, successful first dedicated experiments and more to come !

The 12 GeV upgrade will significantly increase the coverage
in x_B (both low and high) and Q^2

DVCS: several observables already explored will be « nailed down »
with considerable detail

DVMP: the dominance of leading-order diagram (handbag)
still to be found/established → 12 GeV crucial

In parallel, theoretical progress in

- the physical interpretation of GPDs
- the calculation of GPD moments using lattice QCD
- finding suitable parameterizations of GPDs

to perform global fits to the data

Additional slides

Scale dependence and finite Q^2 corrections (real world \neq Bjorken limit)

GPD evolution

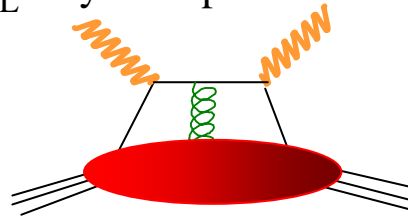
Dependence on factorization scale μ :

$$\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} H(x, \xi, t; \mu) = \int \underbrace{K(x, y, \xi; \alpha_s(\mu))}_{\text{Kernel known to NLO}} H(y, \xi, t; \mu) dy$$

Evolution of hard scattering amplitude

$O(1/Q)$

- (Gauge fixing term)
- Twist-3: contribution from γ^*_L may be expressed in terms of derivatives of (twist-2) GPDs.
- Other contributions such as small (but measurable effect).



$O(1/Q^2)$

- “Trivial” kinematical corrections, of order $\frac{t}{Q^2}, \frac{M^2}{Q^2}$
- Quark transverse momentum effects (modification of quark propagator)

$$\frac{1}{x + \xi - i\epsilon} \rightarrow \frac{1}{x + \xi + k_{\perp}^2 / Q^2 - i\epsilon}$$

- Other twist-4

DVCS on the neutron (JLab/Hall A)

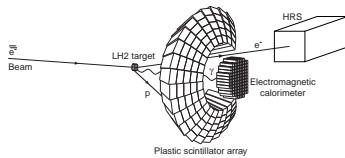
Beam spin asymmetry

$$\Delta\sigma_{LU} = (\sigma^+ - \sigma^-) / 2 = \Gamma \cdot [A \sin \Phi + \dots]$$

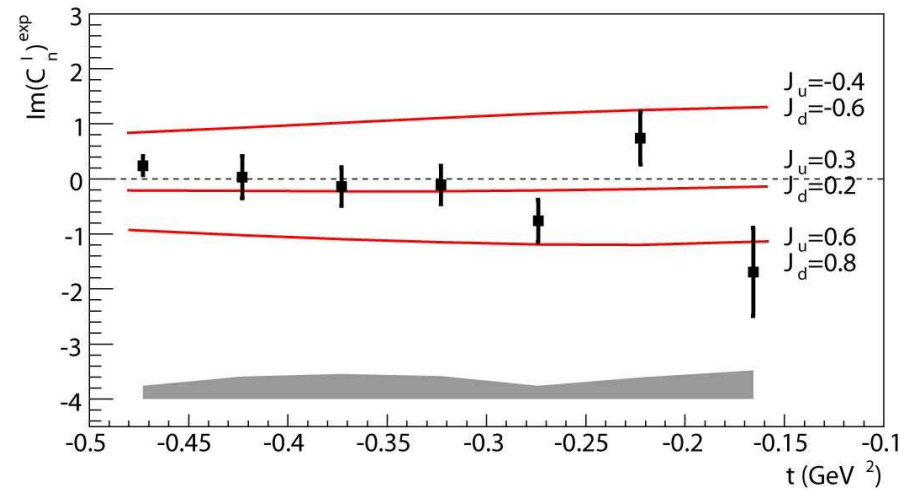
$$A = \underbrace{F_1(t) \cdot H + \frac{x_B}{2 - x_B} [F_1(t) + F_2(t)] \cdot \tilde{H}}_{\text{Main contribution for the proton}} - \underbrace{\frac{t}{4M^2} F_2(t) \cdot E}_{\text{Main contribution for the neutron}}$$

Main contribution
for the proton

Main contribution
for the neutron

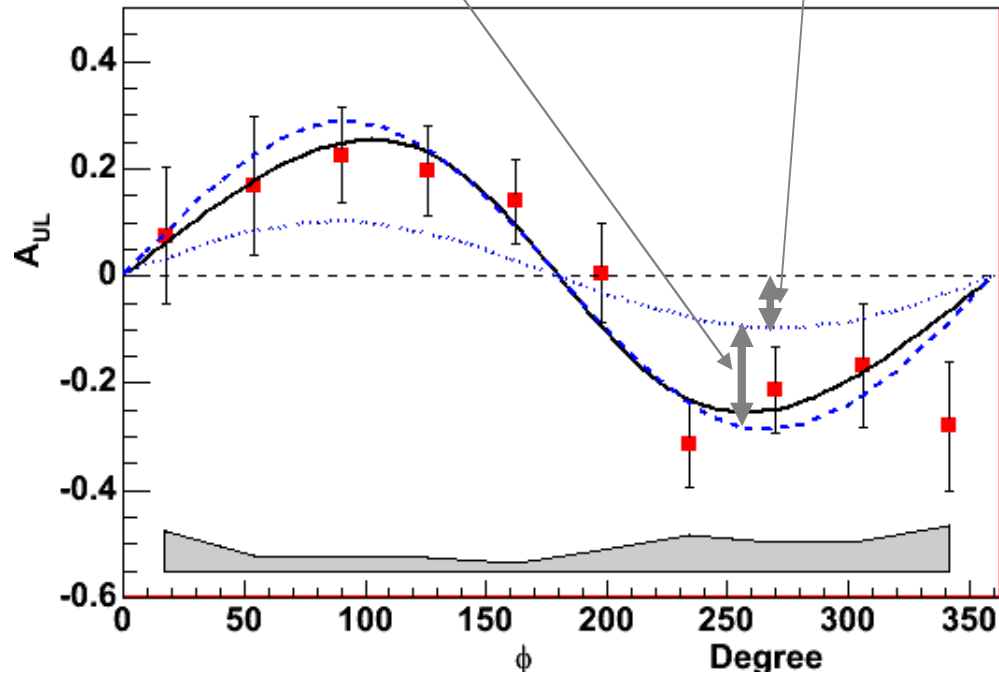


DVCS $\Delta\sigma_{LU}$ on the neutron
shows (within a model)
sensitivity to
quark angular momentum J

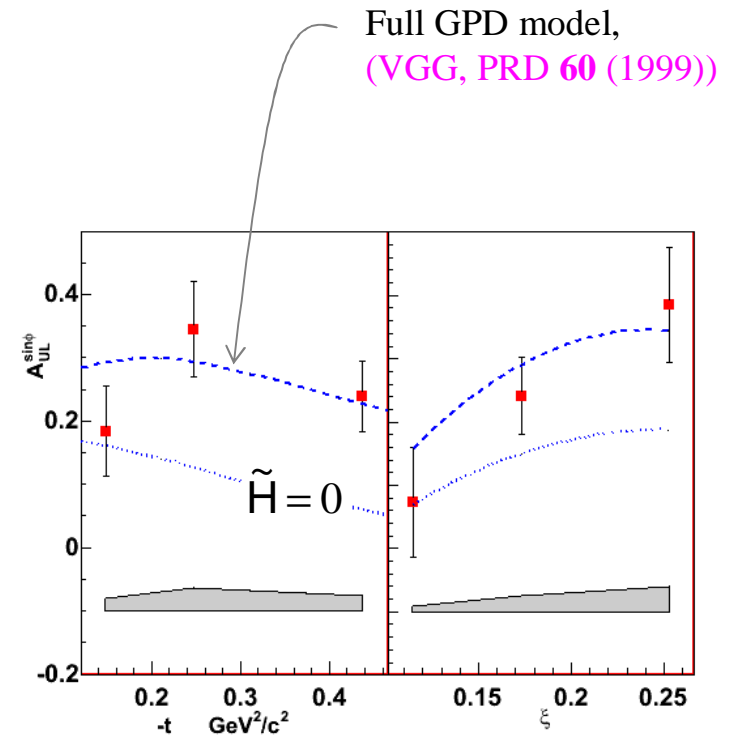


DVCS Target Spin Asymmetry from CLAS

$$A_{UL} \propto \underbrace{F_1 \cdot \tilde{H}}_{\text{Term 1}} + \frac{x_B}{2-x_B} [F_1 + F_2] \cdot \left[H + \frac{x_B}{2} E \right] - \frac{x_B}{2-x_B} \left[\frac{x_B}{2} F_1 + \frac{t}{4M^2} F_2 \right] \cdot \tilde{E}$$



$ep \rightarrow epy$ on longitudinally polarized NH_3 target



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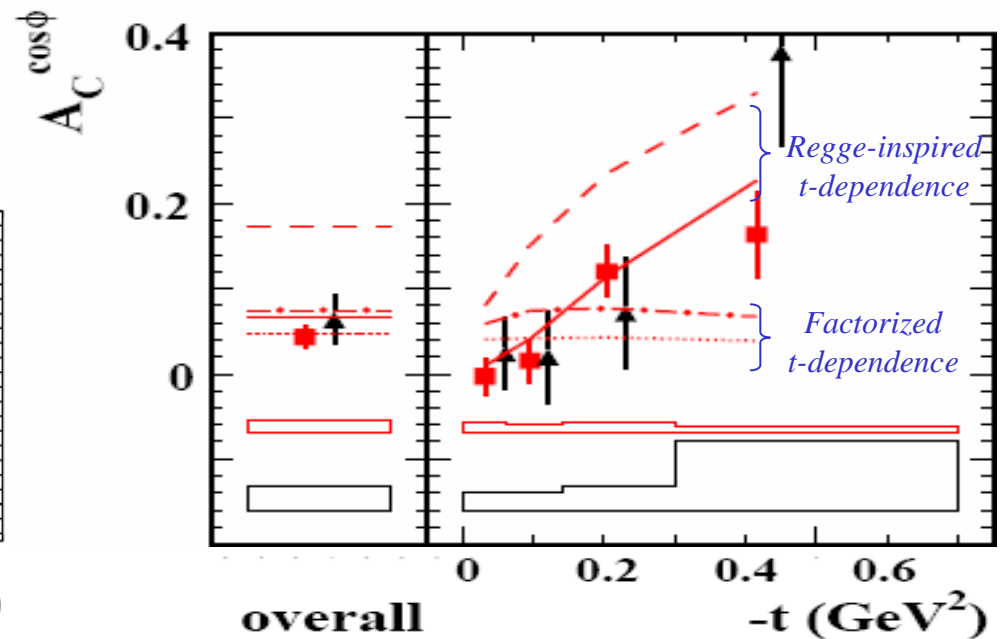
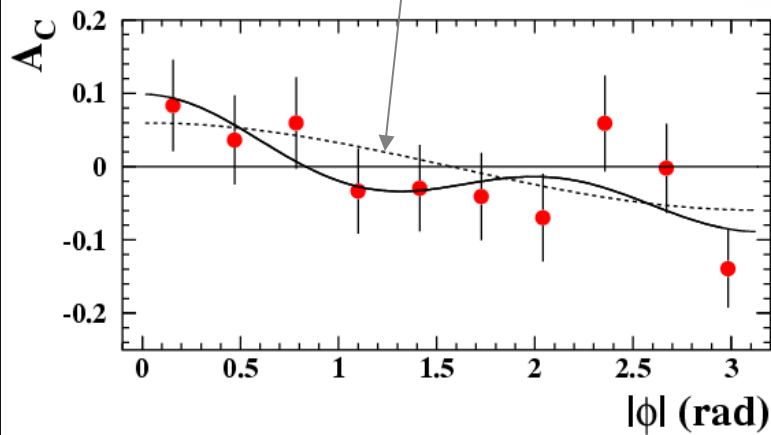
Explored several observables which have selective sensitivity to the 4 GPDs:

Beam Spin Asymmetry (A_{LU})

Target Spin Asymmetries (A_{UL} and A_{UT})

Beam Charge Asymmetry (A_C)

$$A_C \propto F_1 \left\{ \cos \phi \cdot \mathcal{P} \int_{-1}^{+1} H(x, \xi, t) \left[(x - \xi)^{-1} + (x + \xi)^{-1} \right] dx + aP_l \sin \phi \cdot \mathcal{H} \right\} + \dots$$



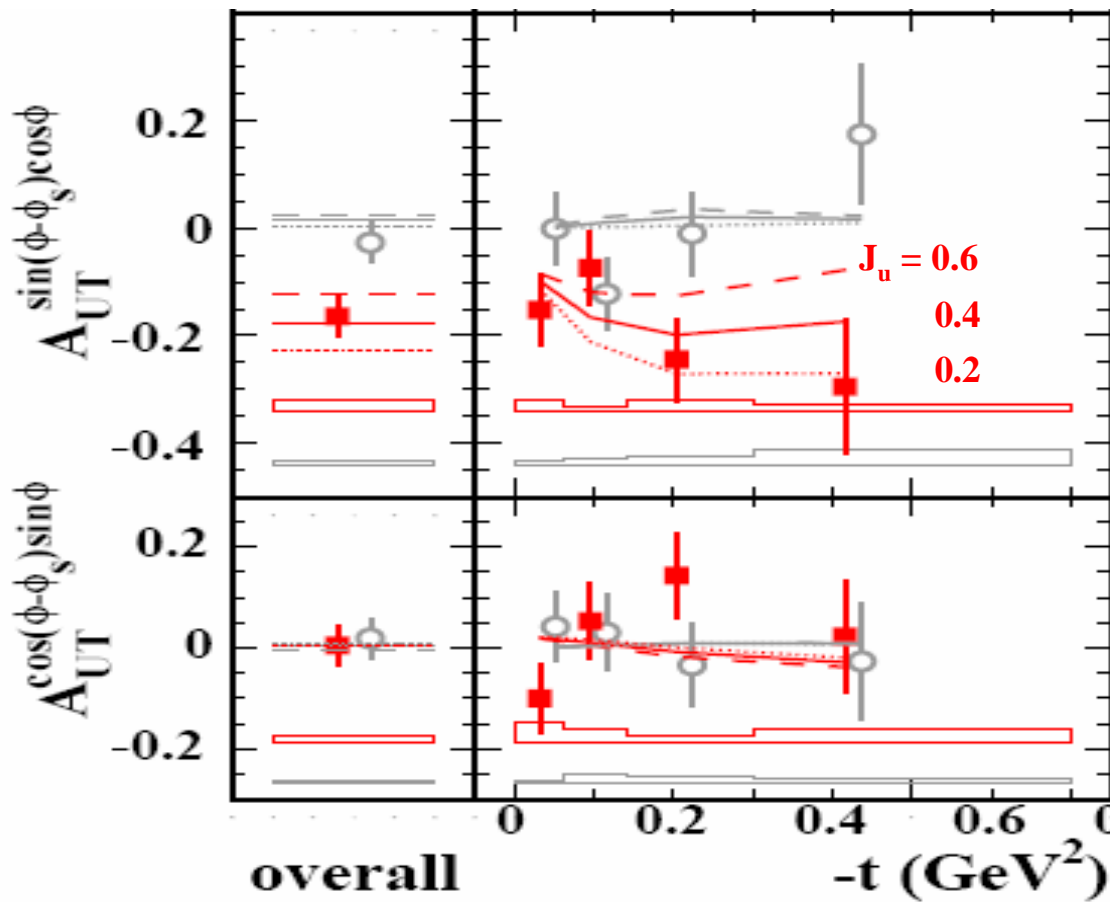
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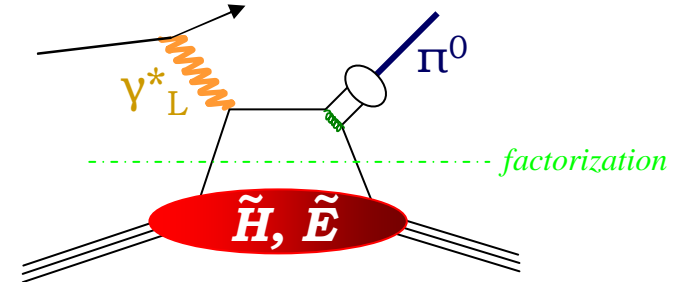
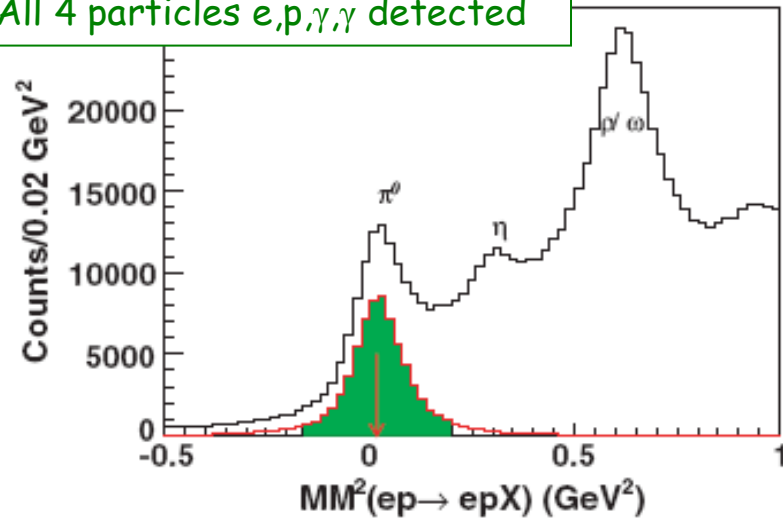
Red squares from DVCS-BH
interference terms:

$$\propto \frac{t}{2M^2} \{F_1 \cdot \mathbf{E} - F_2 \cdot \mathbf{H}\} + x_B^2 \{\dots\}$$

$$\propto \frac{t}{2M^2} \{F_2 \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{H}} - 2x_B F_1 \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{E}}\} + \{\dots\}$$

Deeply virtual meson production: CLAS/ π^0

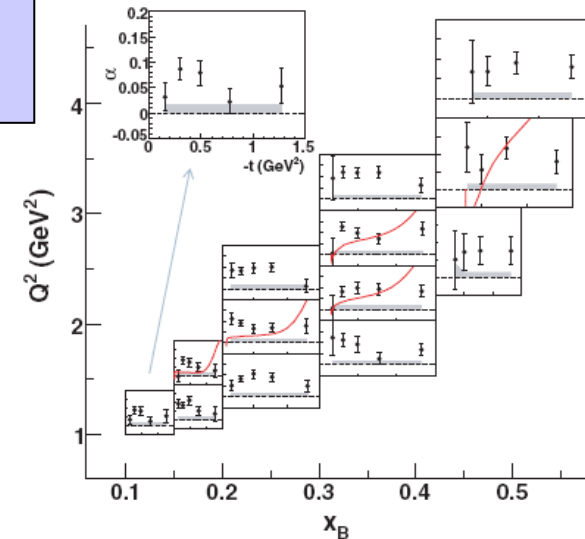
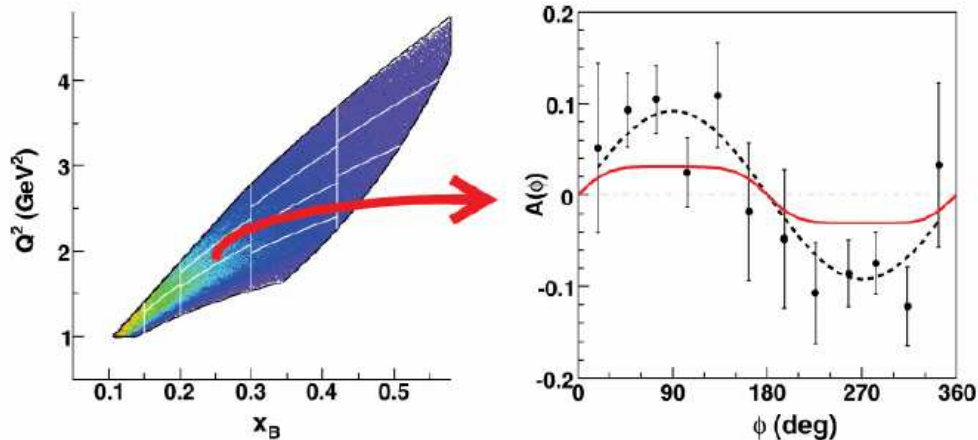
All 4 particles e, p, γ, γ detected



BSA in this case is a sign of a non-zero L/T interference

Handbag diagram might not be dominant

Hall A data (see C. Muñoz Camacho's talk) indicates that cross section is much higher than anticipated in GPD model and contains significant contributions from transverse amplitudes.



R. De Masi *et al.* (CLAS), PRC 77 (2008)

How to measure GPDs ?

Step 2: how close is leading order to experiment ?

This is where we are

Experiment:

Test scaling laws (test of factorization, of dominance of handbag diagram)

e.g. for DVCS BSA: $\langle \sin\Phi \rangle \sim 1/Q$, $\langle \sin 2\Phi \rangle \sim 1/Q^2$

OK as of $\sim 2 \text{ GeV}^2$

for DVMP : $d\sigma_L/dt \sim 1/Q^6$

- theoretical expectation: scaling at higher Q^2
- may have to await CEBAF@12GeV

→ *precision experiments, truly exclusive.*

JLab (Hall A & CLAS) dedicated DVCS experiments

represent a quantitative and qualitative jump

Theory:

Calculate deviations from leading order, especially in DVMP

May other models (e.g. Regge, color dipole) mimic the handbag contribution?

If yes, what do we learn from this duality ?

How to measure GPDs ?

Step 3: from DVCS to GPDs - and to J

Except for specific cases (access to imaginary part of DVCS amplitude and/or use of DDVCS),
the observables are convolutions of the Generalized Parton Distributions.

In theory, an infinite set of data is needed to deconvolute the observables.

In practice, there are several ways to use a finite set of data
(including all finite Q^2 corrections in the formalism)

- Comparison of given GPD model with experiment,
- **Fit of parameterized GPDs with constraints:**
forward limit, elastic form factors, polynomiality, positivity bounds,
- GPDs given by sums over t -channel exchanges, like a partial wave expansion,
- Inverse transformations (see e.g. [Teryaev](#) on Radon tomography)
- and **more to come**

Determining GPDs: DVCS or Lattice QCD ?

Experiment

- extract/check LO/twist-2 contributions (hopefully dominant),
- use several observables to extract different linear combinations of GPDs, including different flavor combinations,
- « deconvolution » or fit with adequate parameterisation(s) of GPDs.

Lattice

- calculate GPD moments $n = 0, 1, 2$ (and more ??),
- check for fermion discretisation scheme, extrapolations, « elusive » disconnected diagrams,
- parameterise and extrapolate moments for all values of n ,
- get GPD from inversion from infinite set of moments.

*Lattice has the lead... but
(dixit C.M.)
experiment is, at the end of the day, what
validates our knowledge*