

# *Spin Density Matrix Elements in exclusive production of $\omega$ mesons at Hermes*

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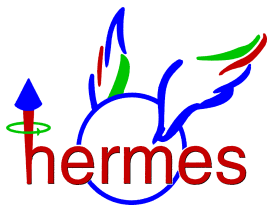
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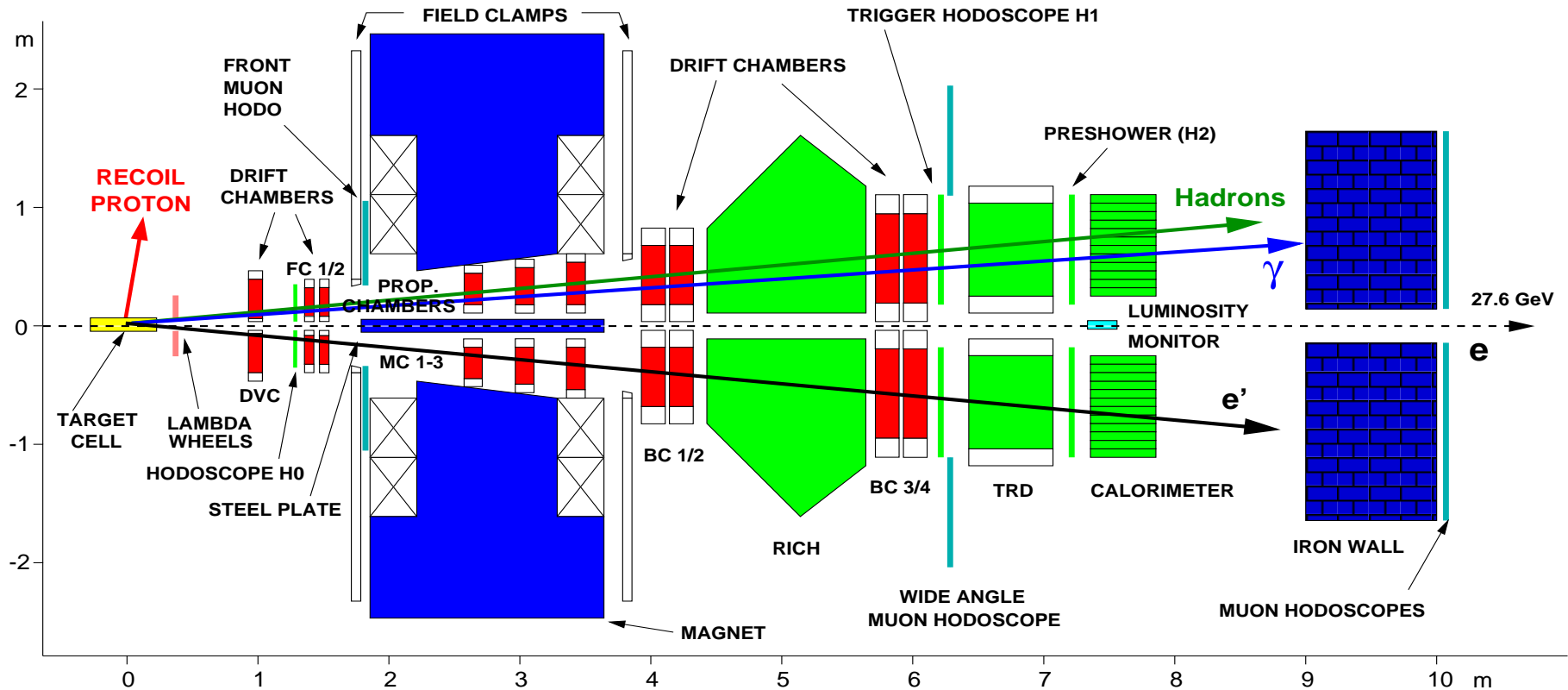
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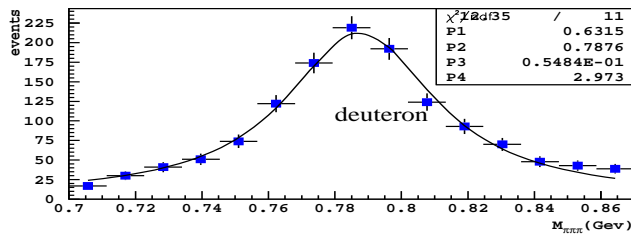
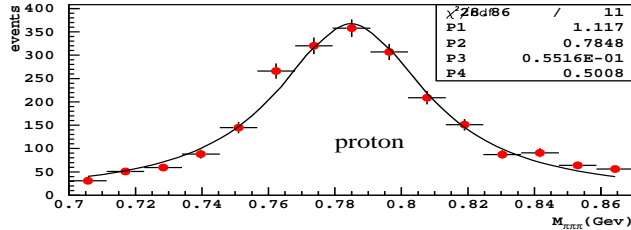
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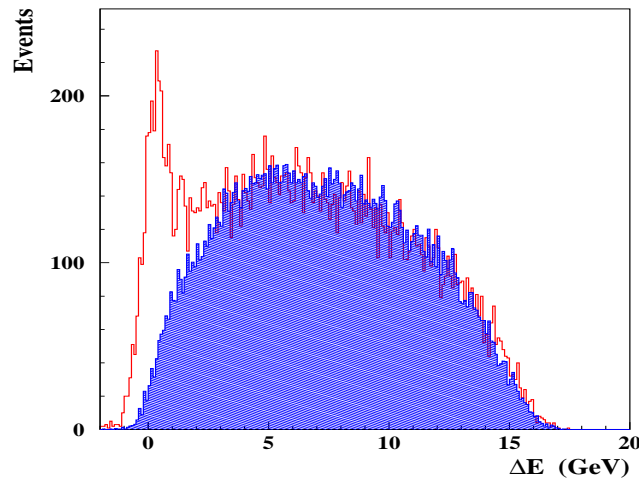
# Hermes Detector was Two Identical Halves of Forward Spectrometer



- Beam  $e^\pm$ ,  $P = 27.56$  GeV/c longitudinal polarization  $\sim 55\%$ .
- Target longitudinally, transversely polarized H or D or unpolarized gas target.
- Acceptance:  $|\Theta_x| < 170$  mrad,  $40 < |\Theta_y| < 140$  mrad.
- Resolution  $\delta P/P \leq 1\%$ ,  $\delta\Theta \leq 0.6$  mrad.
- PID: RICH, TRD, Preshower, Calorimeter.



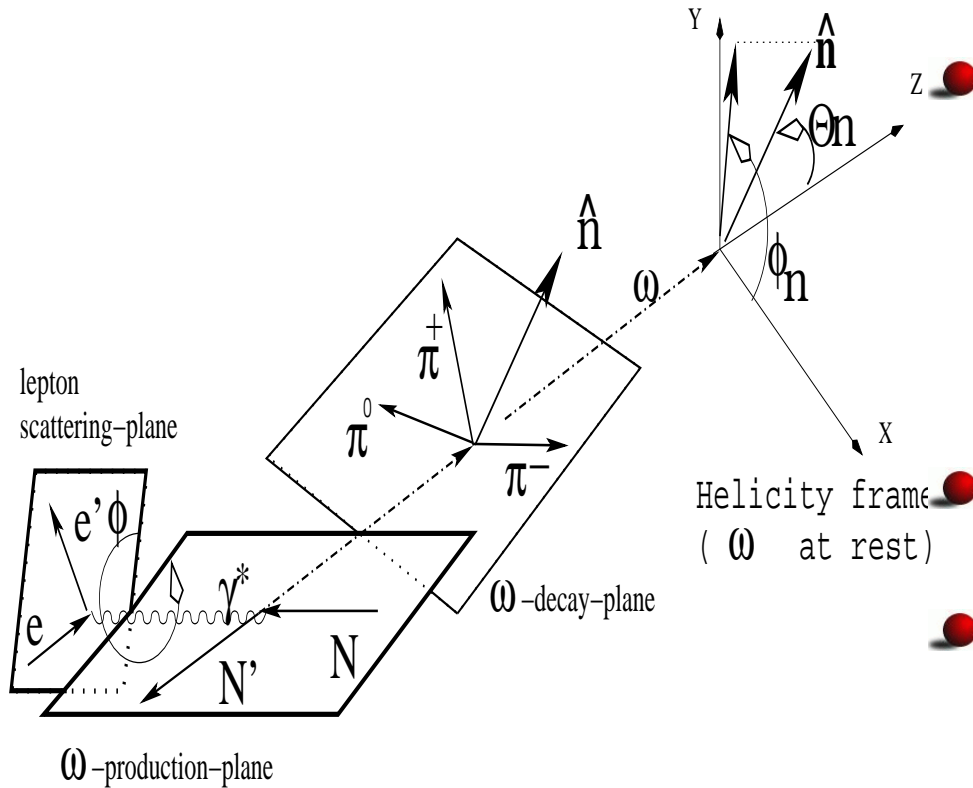
$$0.71 < M_{\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0} < 0.87 \text{ GeV}$$



$$-1.0 < \Delta E < 0.8 \text{ GeV}$$

- $e(k) + N(p) \rightarrow e'(k') + N(p') + \omega \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0 (\rightarrow 2\gamma))$
- $e \rightarrow e' + \gamma^*$  (QED).
- $\gamma^*(q\bar{q}) + N \rightarrow \omega + N \rightarrow \pi^+ + \pi^- + \pi^0 + N$  (QCD).
- $Q^2 = -q^2 = -(k - k')^2 = 1.0 \div 10. \text{ GeV}^2, \langle Q^2 \rangle = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $W = \sqrt{(q + p)^2} = 3.0 \div 6.3 \text{ GeV}, \langle W \rangle = 4.8 \text{ GeV}$
- $x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2pq} = 0.01 \div 0.35, \langle x_B \rangle = 0.08$
- $t' = t - t_{min}, 0 \leq -t' \leq 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2, \langle -t' \rangle = 0.08 \text{ GeV}^2$   
 $t = (p - p')^2 = (q - v)^2$
- Number of  $\omega$  events    Hydrogen: -2260 , Deuterium: -1332
- $\Delta E = \frac{M_X^2 - M_p^2}{2M_p}$  with  $M_X^2 = (p + q - p_{\pi^+} - p_{\pi^-} - p_{\pi^0})^2$   
 and  $M_X$  being missing mass,  $p, q, p_{\pi^+}, p_{\pi^-}, p_{\pi^0}$  are 4-momenta of proton,  $\gamma^*$  and pions.
- Exclusive process  $\Delta E = 0$
- SIDIS background ( $\approx 20\%$ ) is subtracted using MC PYTHIA

# Angular distribution in reaction



$\omega \Rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$  (conservation of  $\vec{J}$ )

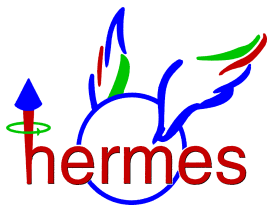
$|\omega; 1m\rangle \rightarrow |\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0; 1m\rangle \Rightarrow Y_{1m}(\cos(\theta), \phi)$   
 ( $m = \pm 1, 0$ ). Angular distribution

$\mathcal{W}(r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha, \Phi, \phi_n, \cos \Theta_n)$  depends linearly on Spin Density Matrix Elements (SDMEs) -  $r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha$  and beam polarization  $P_b$ .

SDMEs are bilinear combination of helicity amplitudes.

For longitudinally polarized beam and unpolarized target there are **23** SDMEs, (**15** unpolarized and **8** polarized)

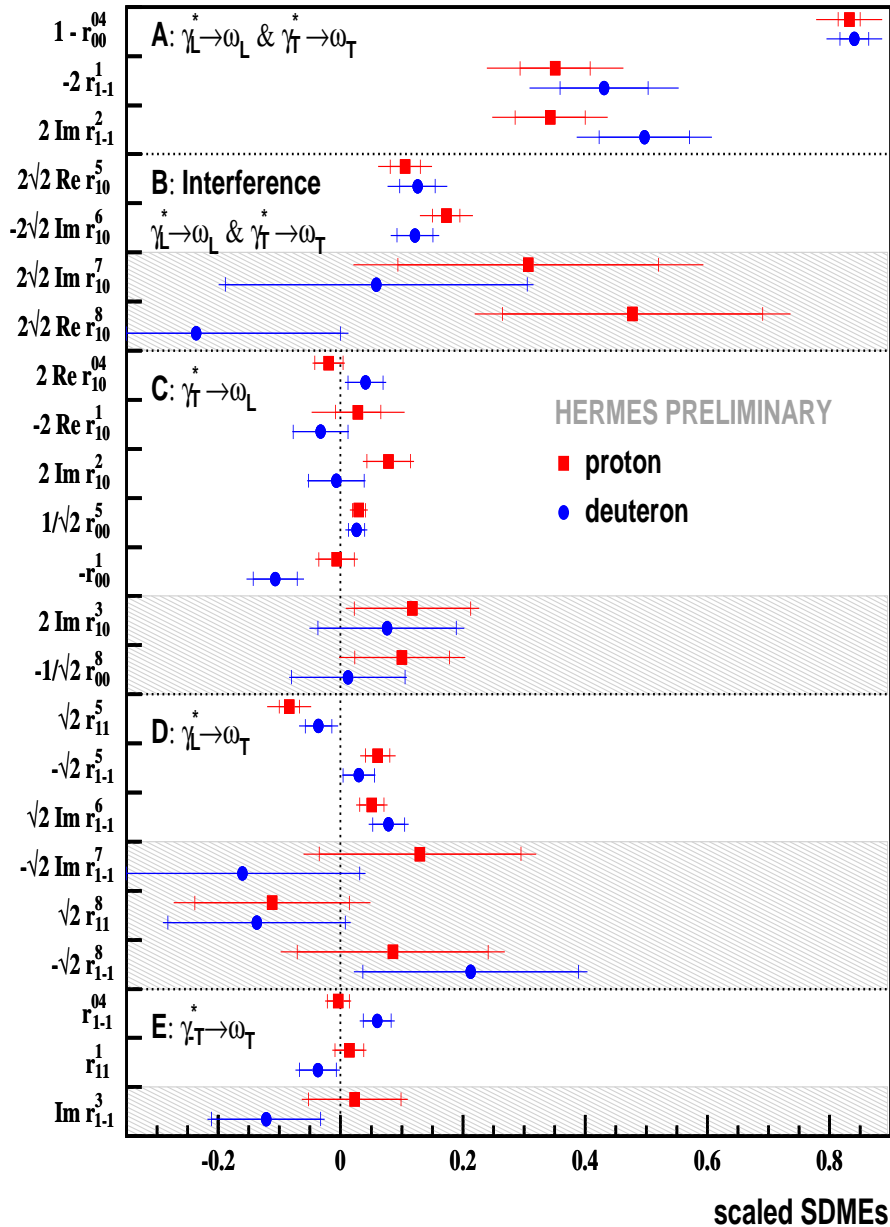
The SDMEs are determined from the fit of angular distribution of pions from decay  $\omega \Rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ , by angular distribution  $\mathcal{W}(r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha, \Phi, \phi_n, \cos \Theta_n)$ , with Maximum Likelihood method



# Spin Density Matrix Elements (SDMEs)

- (SDMEs) -  $r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha$  are expressed by helicity amplitudes  $F_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N; \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N}(W, Q^2, t')$
- In CM frame of  $\gamma^* N$  they are given by the von Neumann formula:
 
$$r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha \sim \rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V} = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma \lambda_N \lambda'_N} F_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N; \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N} \varrho_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma} F_{\lambda'_V \lambda'_N; \lambda'_\gamma \lambda_N}^*$$

$\varrho_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma}$  - photon spin density matrix  
 $\alpha = 0 \div 3$  - transverse photon,  $4$  - longitudinal photon  $5 \div 8$  - transverse/longitudinal interference  
 $(\lambda_\gamma, \lambda_V)$  - (photon helicity, meson helicity)
- On unpolarized target **nucleon-helicity-flip** amplitudes are suppressed  $F_{\lambda_V \frac{1}{2} \lambda_\gamma \frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow F_{\lambda_V \lambda_\gamma}$
- **Example:**  $r_{1-1}^1 = \frac{1}{2} \widetilde{\sum} \{|T_{11}|^2 + |T_{1-1}|^2 - |U_{11}|^2 - |U_{1-1}|^2\} / N$   
 T - natural-parity exchange (NPE) ( $P = (-1)^J$ )  
 U - unnatural - parity exchange (UPE) ( $P = -(-1)^J$ )  
**F=T+U**
- Helicity conserving -  $T_{00}, T_{11}, U_{11}$ , helicity non conserving -  $T_{01}, T_{10}, T_{1-1}, U_{01}, U_{10}, U_{1-1}$
- The dominance of diagonal transitions is called s-channel helicity conservation (SCHC).



A,  $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \omega_L$  and  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \omega_T$

B, Interference:  $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \omega_L$  &  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \omega_T$

C, Spin Flip:  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \omega_L$

D, Spin Flip:  $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \omega_T$

E, Spin Flip:  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \omega_{-T}$

Similar magnitudes for SDMEs on proton and deuteron

if SCHC holds:

$$r_{1-1}^1 = -\text{Im } r_{1-1}^2$$

$$\text{Re } r_{10}^5 = -\text{Im } r_{10}^6$$

$$\text{Im } r_{10}^7 = \text{Re } r_{10}^8$$

for proton

$$r_{1-1}^1 + \text{Im } r_{1-1}^2 = -0.004 \pm 0.038 \pm 0.017$$

$$\text{Re } r_{10}^5 + \text{Im } r_{10}^6 = -0.024 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.003$$

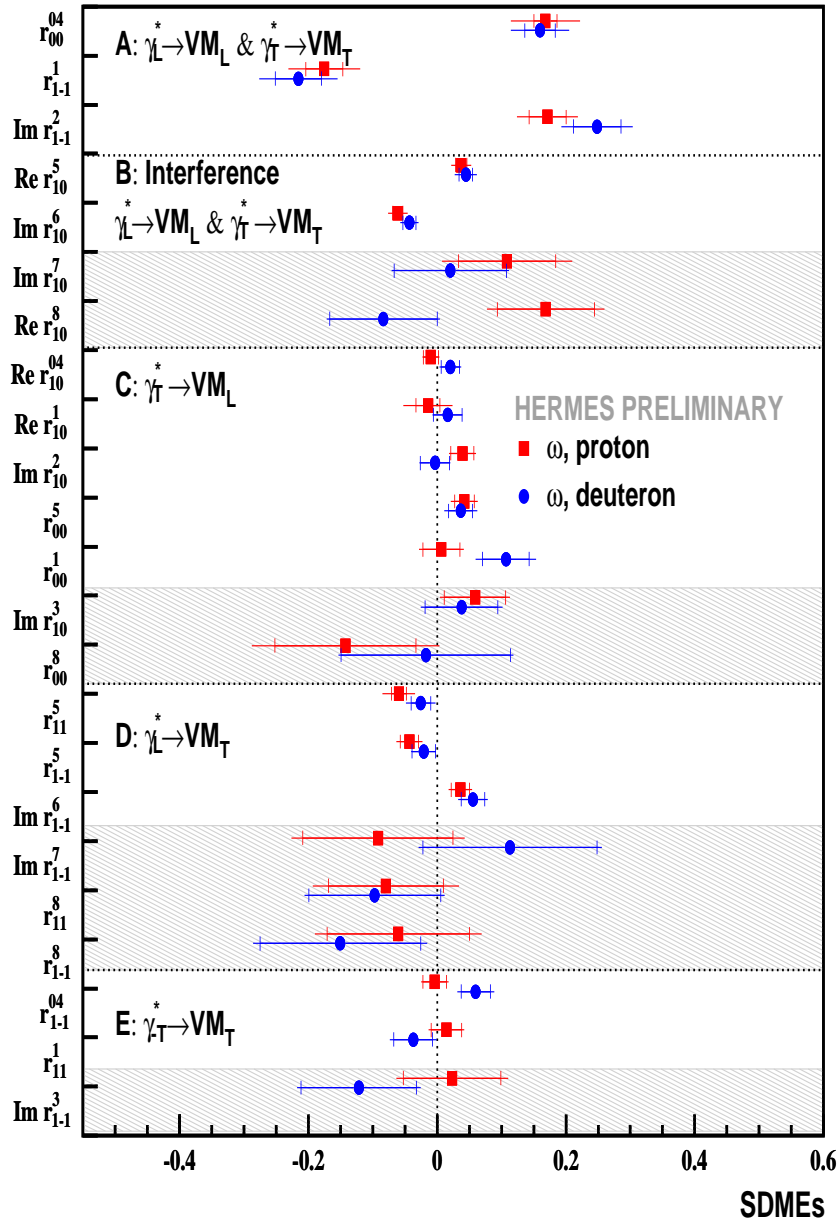
$$\text{Im } r_{10}^7 - \text{Re } r_{10}^8 = -0.060 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.044$$

for deuterium

$$r_{1-1}^1 + \text{Im } r_{1-1}^2 = 0.033 \pm 0.049 \pm 0.004$$

$$\text{Re } r_{10}^5 + \text{Im } r_{10}^6 = 0.001 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.015$$

$$\text{Im } r_{10}^7 - \text{Re } r_{10}^8 = 0.10 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.17$$



## ● Test of SCHC Hypothesis

● CLASS D, Spin Flip:  $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \omega_T$

$$r_{11}^5 \approx \text{Re}[U_{10}U_{11}^*]$$

$$r_{1-1}^5 \approx \text{Re}[U_{10}U_{11}^*]$$

$$\text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^6\} \approx \text{Re}[-U_{10}U_{11}^*]$$

$$r_{11}^5 + r_{1-1}^5 - \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^6\} = -0.14 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.04 \text{ hydrogen}$$

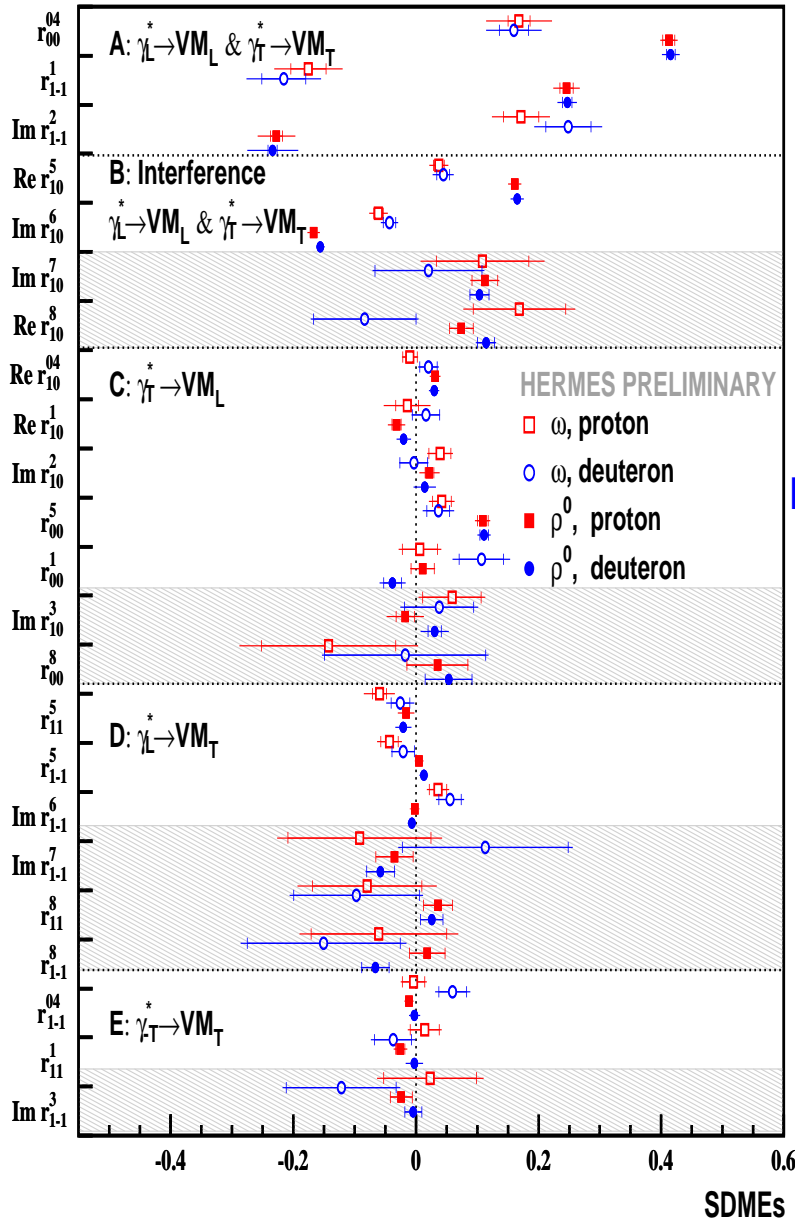
$$r_{11}^5 + r_{1-1}^5 - \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^6\} = -0.10 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.03 \text{ deuterium}$$

● SCHC hypothesis seems to be slightly violates.



# Comparison of SDME in exclusive $\omega$ and $\rho^0$ production at average kinematics

$\rho^0$  SDMEs, HERMES, Eur. Phys. J. C62 (09) 659.



$\bullet$  A,  $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \omega_L$  and  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \omega_T$

$$r_{1-1}^1 = \frac{1}{2} \widetilde{\sum} \{ |T_{11}|^2 + |T_{1-1}|^2 - |U_{11}|^2 - |U_{1-1}|^2 \} / \mathcal{N},$$

$$\text{Im} \{ r_{1-1}^2 \} = \frac{1}{2} \widetilde{\sum} \{ -|T_{11}|^2 + |T_{1-1}|^2 + |U_{11}|^2 - |U_{1-1}|^2 \} / \mathcal{N}$$

$$|U_{11}|^2 + |U_{1-1}|^2 > |T_{11}|^2 + |T_{1-1}|^2 \text{ for } \omega \text{ meson}$$

$$|T_{1-1}|^2 + |U_{11}|^2 > |T_{11}|^2 + |U_{1-1}|^2 \text{ for } \omega \text{ meson}$$

Assuming  $|T_{1-1}|^2 \approx |U_{1-1}|^2$  we get  $|U_{11}|^2 > |T_{11}|^2$   
for  $\omega$  meson

## Signal of UPE

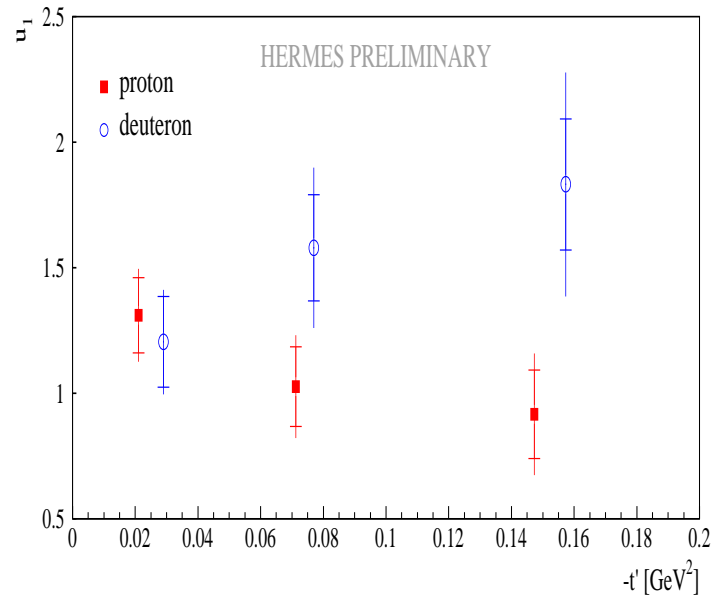
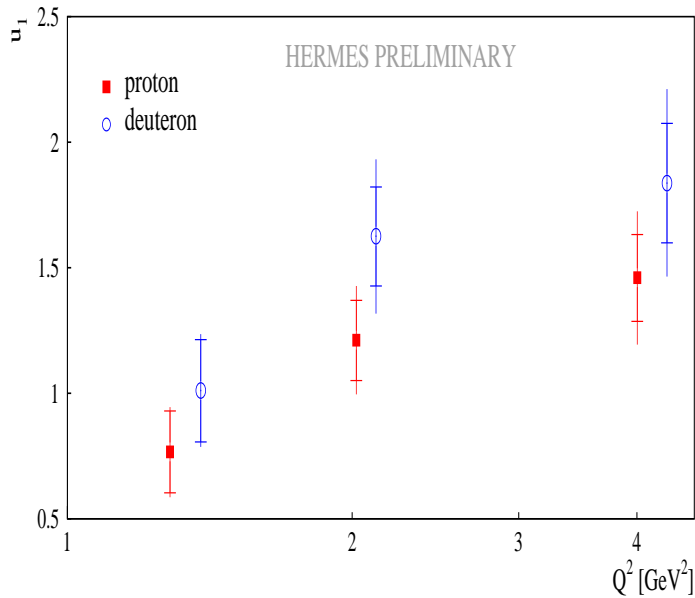
$$u_1 = 1 - r_{00}^{04} + 2r_{1-1}^{04} - 2r_{11}^1 - 2r_{1-1}^1$$

$$u_1 = \sum_{\lambda_N \lambda'_N} \frac{2\epsilon |U_{10}|^2 + |U_{11} + U_{-11}|^2}{N} \quad u_1 > 0 \text{ means contribution of UPE}$$

where  $N = N_T + \epsilon N_L$ ,

$$N_T = \sum_{\lambda_N \lambda'_N} (|T_{11}|^2 + |T_{01}|^2 + |T_{-11}|^2 + |U_{11}|^2 + |U_{01}|^2 + |U_{-11}|^2)$$

$$N_L = \sum_{\lambda_N \lambda'_N} (|T_{00}|^2 + |T_{10}|^2 + |T_{-10}|^2 + |U_{10}|^2 + |U_{-10}|^2).$$



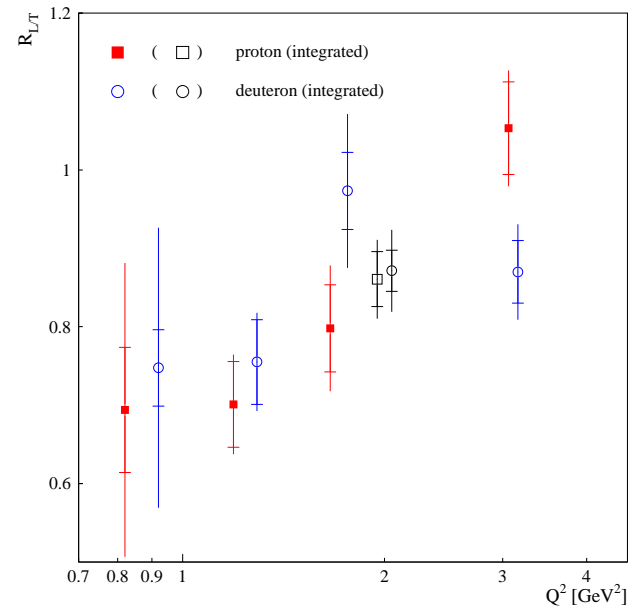
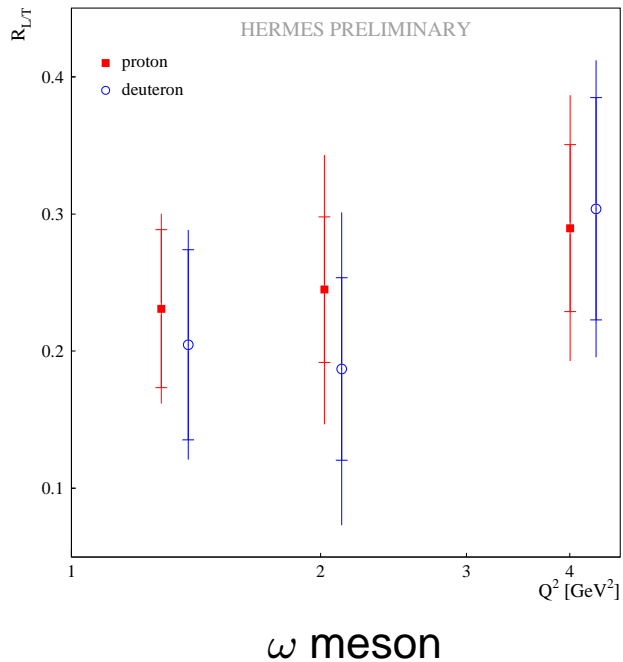
$u_1(p) = 1.15 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.12$       $u_1(d) = 1.47 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.18$  at average kinematics

Large UPE contribution

$$R_{L/T} = \frac{\sigma_L}{\sigma_T} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{r_{00}^{04}}{1 - r_{00}^{04}}, \quad r_{00}^{04} = \widetilde{\sum} \{ \epsilon |T_{00}|^2 + |T_{01}|^2 + |U_{01}|^2, \} / \mathcal{N} \quad \mathcal{N} = \epsilon \sigma_L + \sigma_T$$

$$\sigma_L = |T_{00}|^2 + |T_{10}|^2 + |T_{-10}|^2 + |U_{10}|^2 + |U_{-10}|^2$$

$$\sigma_T = |U_{11}|^2 + |U_{01}|^2 + |U_{-11}|^2 + |T_{11}|^2 + |T_{01}|^2 + |T_{-11}|^2$$



$\rho^0$  meson (HERMES, Eur. Phys. J. C62 (2009) 659)

at average kinematics

$$R_{L/T}(p) = 0.25 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.07$$

$$R_{L/T}(d) = 0.024 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.08$$

- The SDMEs were extracted for electroproduction of  $\omega$  vector meson on proton and deuteron at HERMES.
- They are presented divided into five classes according to the helicity transition.
- The hypothesis SCHC in  $\omega$  meson production seems to be **slightly violates**.
- The UPE contribution seems to be **very large (dominant)** for  $\omega$  meson production.
- Longitudinal to Transverse cross section ratio for  $\omega$  meson is smaller than for  $\rho^0$ .