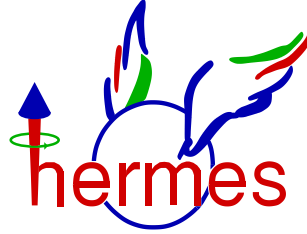
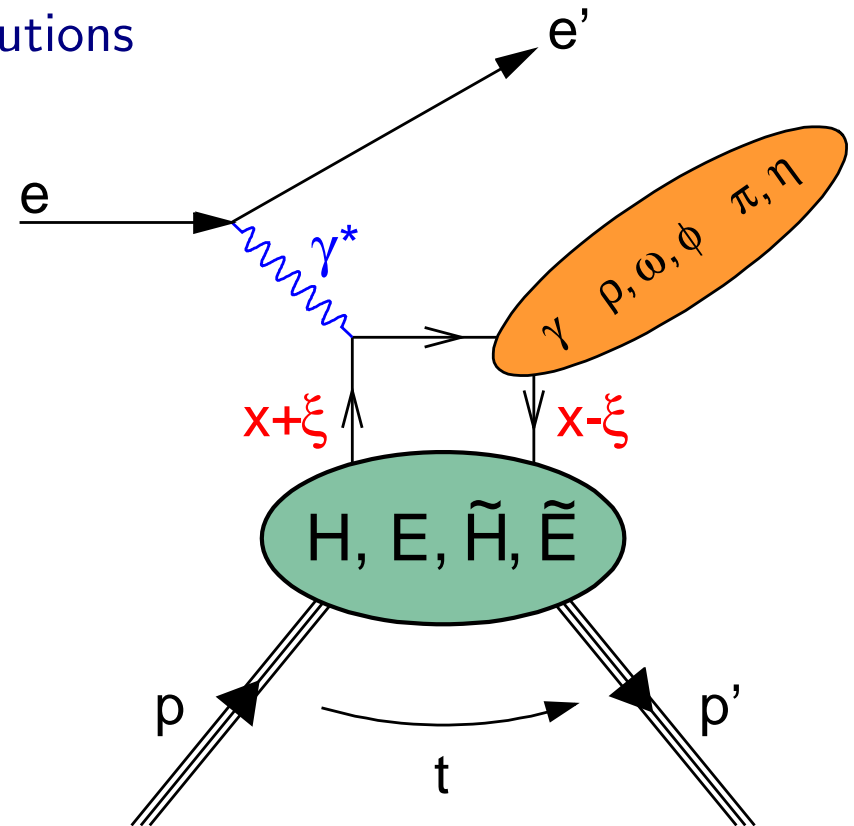


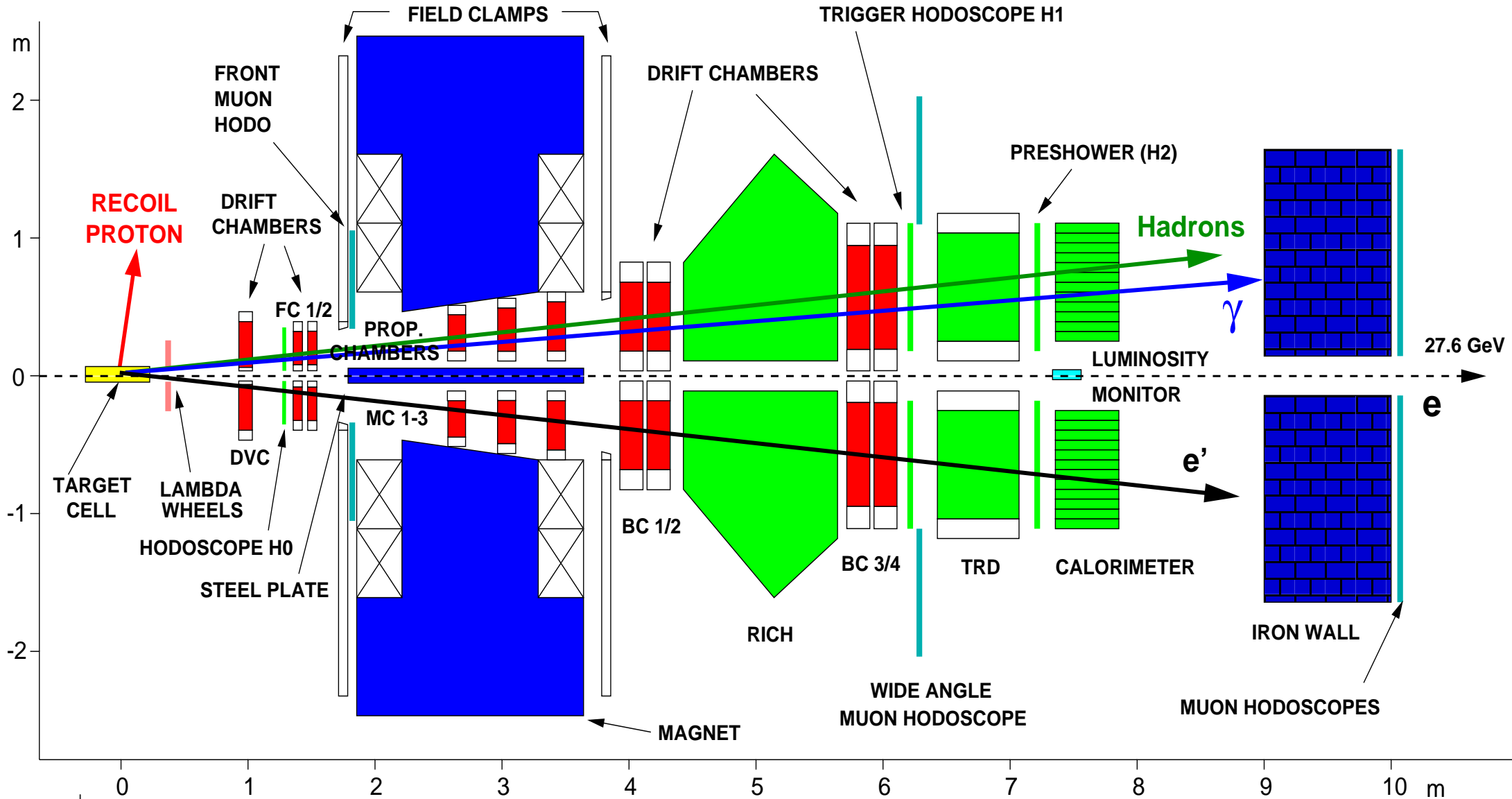
Latest Results on Exclusive Meson Production at



- Calculations Based on Generalized Parton Distributions for Exclusive Meson Production
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 - * L-to-T Cross-Section Ratios
 - * Hierarchy of Helicity Amplitudes
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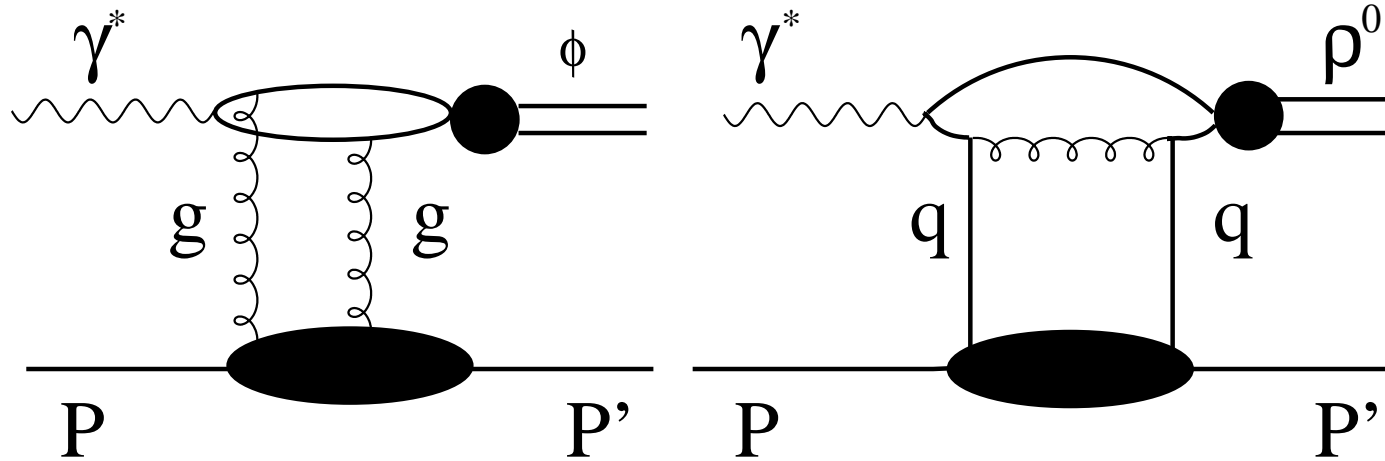


HERMES Detector *was* Two Identical Halves of Forward Spectrometer



- e^\pm beam, $P = 27.6$ GeV/c, longitudinal polarization $\sim 55\%$
- $\sim 80\%$ longitudinally or transversely polarized hydrogen target
- Acceptance: $40 < \Theta < 220$ mrad, $|\Theta_x| < 170$ mrad, $40 < |\Theta_y| < 140$ mrad
- Resolution: $\delta p/p \leq 1\%$, $\delta\Theta \leq 0.6$ mrad, in 2006 ÷ 2007 data from the recoil detector

GPD Based Calculations for Exclusive Meson Production



Properties of ρ^0 , ϕ and π^+ meson data:

- different pQCD production mechanisms:
 - only two-gluon exchange for ϕ ,
 - both two-gluon and quark exchanges for ρ^0
 → GPDs as a flavor filter
- quark exchange mediated by
 - vector or scalar meson: ρ^0 , ω , a_2
(natural parity: $J^P = 0^+, 1^-$)
→ GPDs: H , E
 - pseudoscalar or axial meson: π^+ , a_1 , b_1
(unnatural parity $J^P = 0^-, 1^+$)
→ GPDs: \tilde{H} , \tilde{E}

Experimental observables:

- total and longitudinal cross sections σ_{tot}, σ_L
- Spin Density Matrix Elements (SDMEs):

$$r_{\lambda_\rho \lambda'_\rho}^\alpha \sim \rho(V) = \frac{1}{2} T \rho(\gamma) T^+$$
 vector meson spin-density matrix $\rho(V)$ via photon matrix $\rho(\gamma)$ and helicity amplitude $T_{\lambda_V \lambda_\gamma}$
 - *s-channel helicity conservation (SCHC)?*
i.e. helicity of $\gamma^* =$ helicity of ρ^0
 - Extracted from SDMEs natural and unnatural parity helicity amplitudes and its ratios
- Transverse target polarization asymmetries

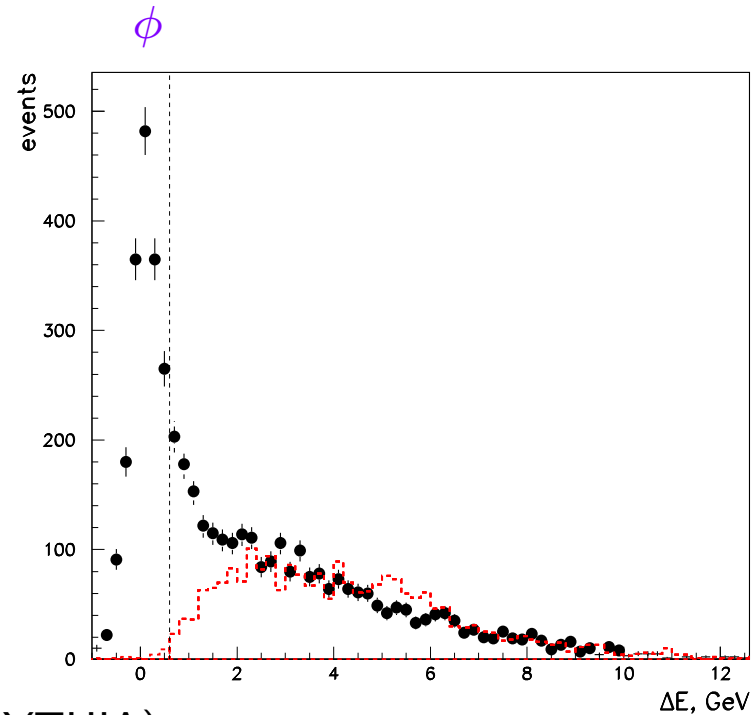
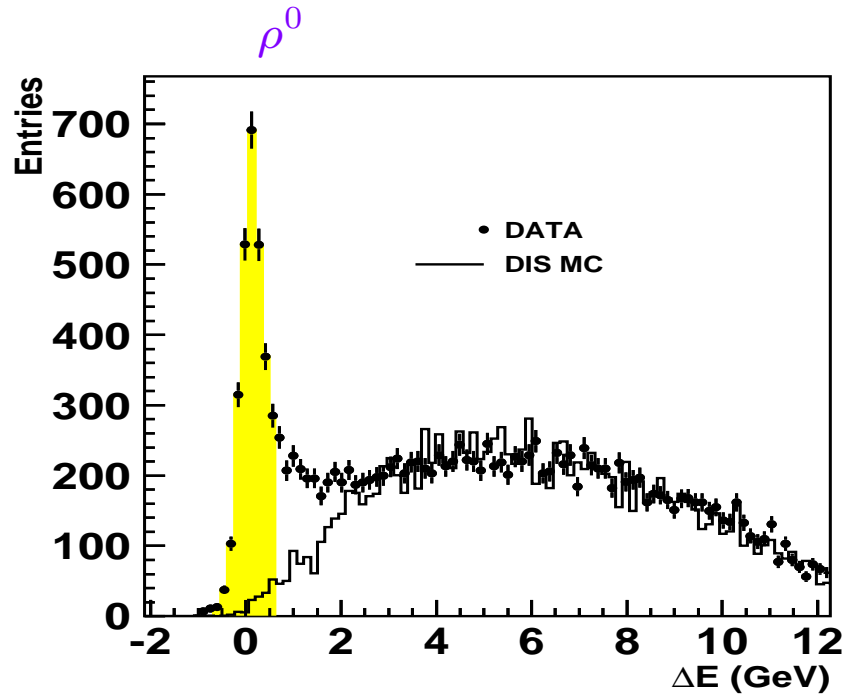
⇒ Comparison of data with GPD based calculations:

Exclusive ρ^0 and ϕ Meson Production

$$e + p \rightarrow e' + p' + \rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$$

$$e + p \rightarrow e' + p' + \phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$$

Clean exclusivity peaks of missing energy $\Delta E = \frac{M_X^2 - M_p^2}{2M_p}$ for



Background is subtracted using MC (PYTHIA)

Kinematics:

- $Q^2 = 0.5 \div 7.0 \text{ GeV}^2$, $\langle Q^2 \rangle = 2.3 \text{ GeV}^2$

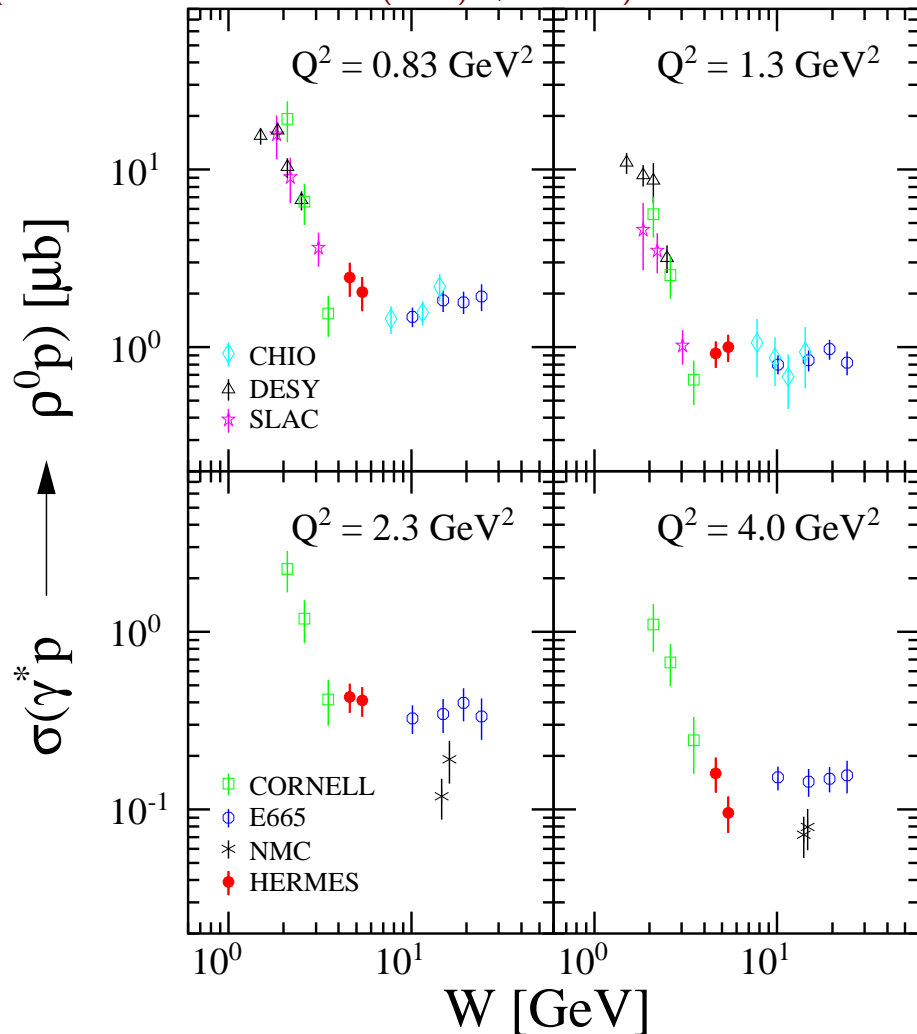
- $W = 3.0 \div 6.5 \text{ GeV}$, $\langle W \rangle = 4.9 \text{ GeV}$,

- $x_{Bj} = 0.01 \div 0.35$, $\langle x_{Bj} \rangle = 0.07$

- $-t' = 0 \div 0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$, $\langle -t' \rangle = 0.13 \text{ GeV}^2$

ρ^0 Total and Longitudinal Cross Sections, application of GPDs

(HERMES collab. EPJ C 17 (2000) 3, 389-398).



→ HERMES data in the transition region

⇒ Which production mechanisms are involved?

- The QCD factorization theorem is proven for the longitudinal part of the cross section J.Collins,L.L.Frankfurt,M.Strikman Phys.Rev.D56,2982 (1997);

- assuming SCHC:

$$\sigma_L = \frac{R}{1+\epsilon R} \sigma_{tot},$$

$$\text{where } R = \sigma_L / \sigma_T = \frac{r_{00}^{04}}{\epsilon(1-r_{00}^{04})}$$

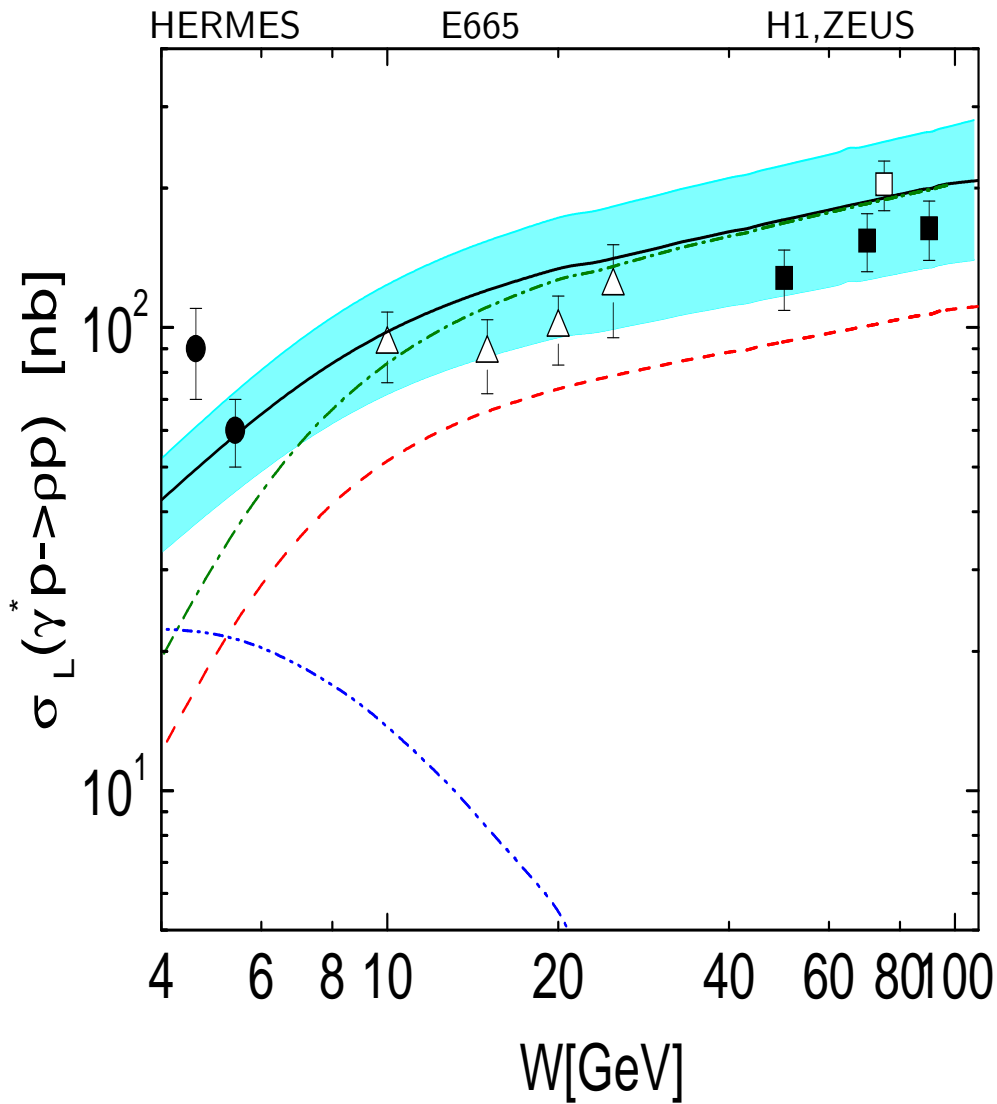
- SDME r_{00}^{04} is measured from the fit of angular distributions (explained below)
- longitudinal-to-transverse ratio of virtual photon fluxes

$$\epsilon = \frac{1 - y - \frac{Q^2}{E^2}}{1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2} + \frac{Q^2}{E^2}} \approx 0.8$$

⇒ σ_L for the tests of spin-independent GPD function H

ρ^0 Total and Longitudinal Cross Sections, and GK Model

S.V.Goloskokov,P.Kroll,Eur.Phys.J. C 42,2005



Which production mechanisms are involved?

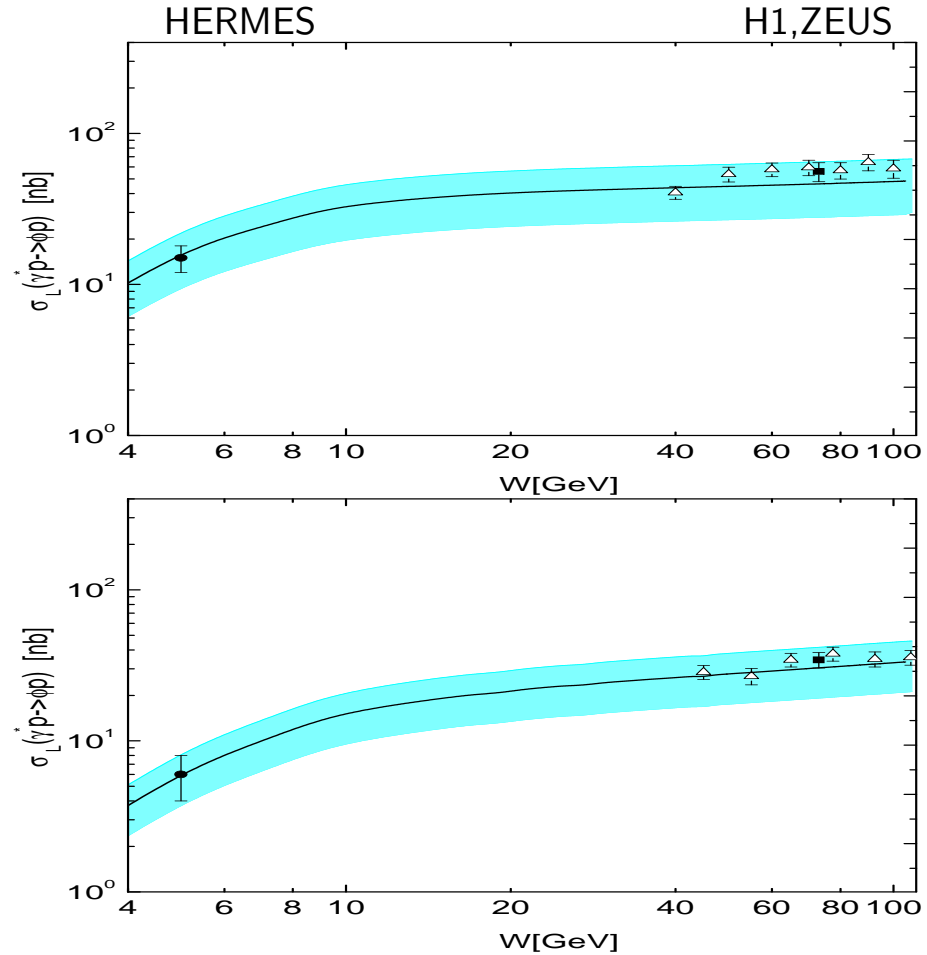
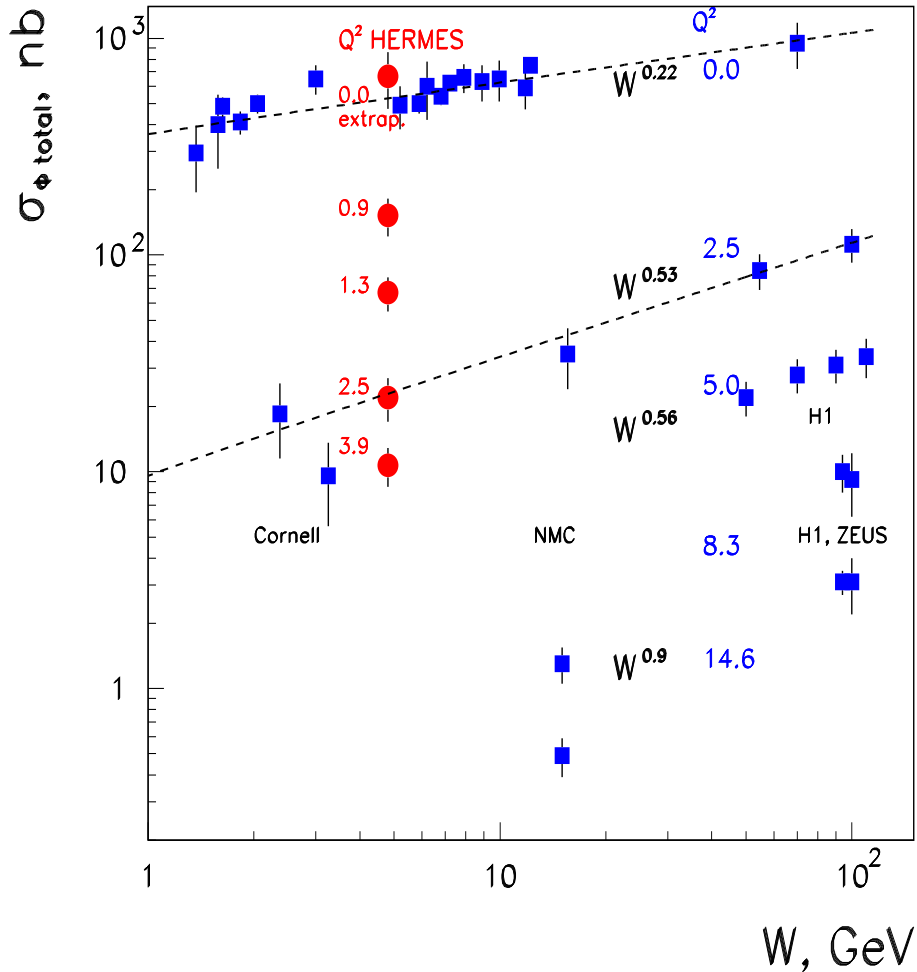
- two-gluon exchange
- two-gluon+sea interference
- quark exchange,
- sum,
- band represents uncertainties from Parton Distributions

⇒ Quark exchange is important for HERMES, i.e. at $W \leq 5$ GeV

ϕ Total and Longitudinal Cross Sections, and GK model

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PRELIMINARY



$\sigma_L(\phi)$: two-gluon exchange only

Band represents uncertainties in σ_L from Parton Distributions

→ Good agreement of GK model calculations of $\sigma_L(W)$ at $Q^2 = 2.3, 3.8 \text{ GeV}^2$.

→ $W^{\delta_\phi(Q^2)}$ dependence over all W

$\delta_\phi = 0.22$ at $Q^2 = 0$, $\delta_\phi = 0.53$ at $Q^2 = 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

→ Two-gluon exchange is sufficient for σ_{tot}^ϕ

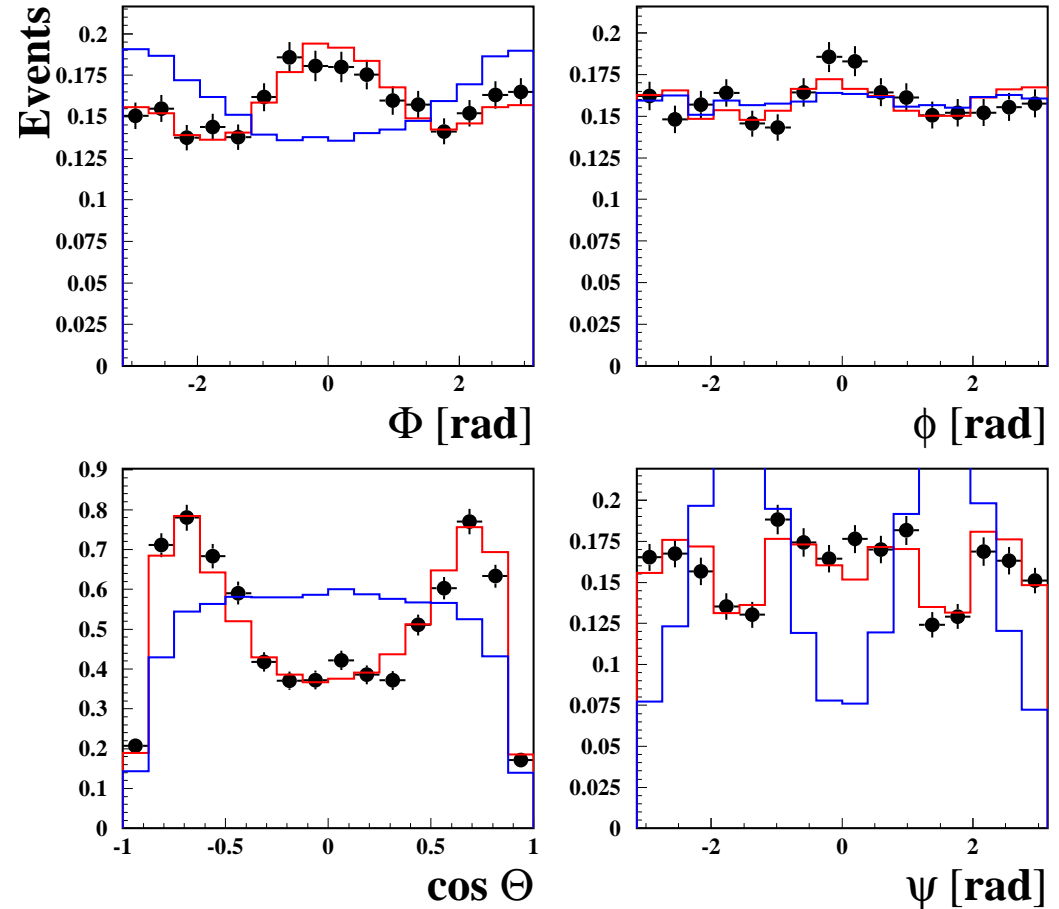
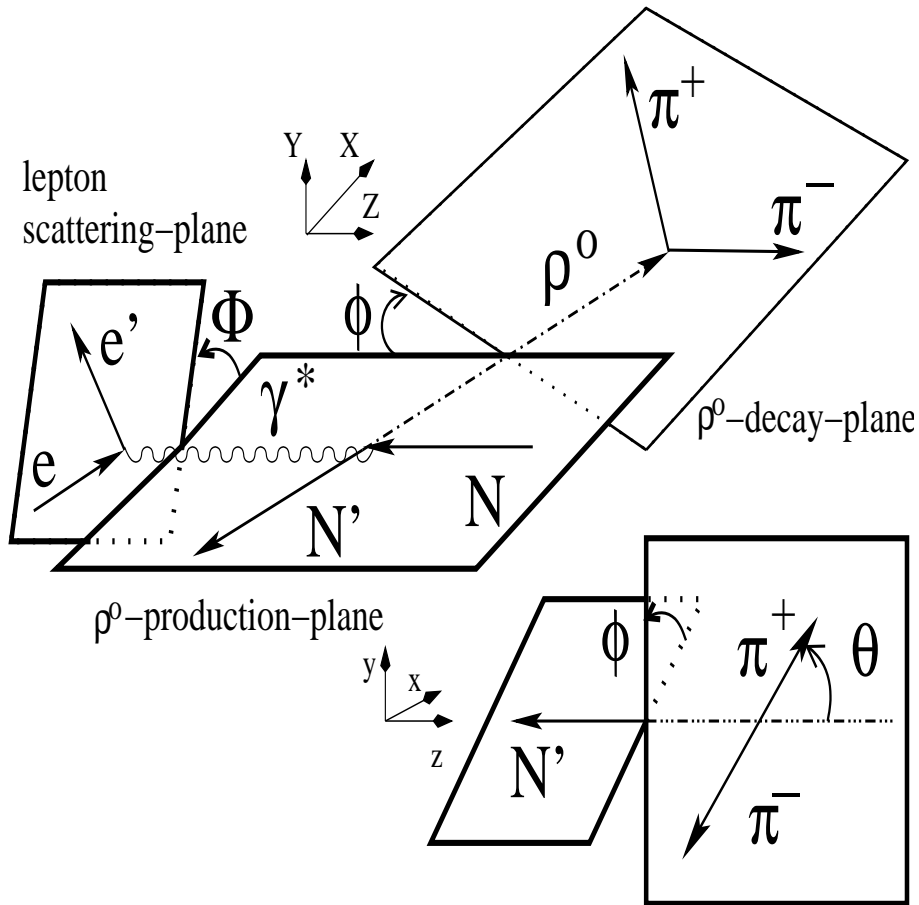
⇒ Two-gluon exchange is sufficient to describe σ_L in ϕ -meson production

ρ^0 & ϕ -meson Spin Density Matrix Elements (SDMEs)

- $\gamma^* + N \rightarrow \rho^0(\phi) + N'$ is perfect to study the spin structure of production mechanism:
 - spin state of γ^* is known
 - $\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ and $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$ decays are self-analysing
- SDMEs: $r_{\lambda_\rho\lambda'_\rho}^\alpha \sim \rho(V) = \frac{1}{2}T_{\lambda_V\lambda_{\gamma^*}}\rho(\gamma^*)T_{\lambda_V\lambda_{\gamma^*}}^+$
spin-density matrix of the vector meson $\rho(V)$ in terms of the photon matrix $\rho(\gamma^*)$ and helicity amplitude $T_{\lambda_V\lambda_{\gamma^*}}$
 - presented according K.Schilling and G.Wolf (Nucl. Phys. B61 (1973) 381)
 $\alpha = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$ long. or trans. photon, $\lambda_\rho = -1, 0, 1$ - polarization of $\rho^0(\phi)$
 - measured experimentally at $5 < W < 75$ GeV (HERMES, COMPASS, H1, ZEUS)
 - SDMEs are calculated in GK GPD model at $W = 5$ GeV, $Q^2 = 3$ GeV²
S. V. Goloskokov and P. Kroll, Eur. Phys. J. C **53** (2008) 367; Eur.Phys.J. C **50**,829 (2007); Eur.Phys.J. C **42**,281 (2005)
 - provide access to *helicity amplitudes* $T_{\lambda_V\lambda_{\gamma^*}}$, which are:
 - * extracted experimentally from SDMEs
 - * calculated from GPDs

⇒ **Comparison of SDMEs with GPD based calculations**

Fit of Angular Distributions Using Max. Likelihood Method in MINUIT



- Fit of 23 SDMEs after full detector simulation done using initial uniform angular distribution
- Binned Maximum Likelihood Method: $8 \times 8 \times 8$ bins of $\cos(\Theta)$, ϕ , Φ . Simultaneous fit of 23 SDMEs: $r_{ij}^\alpha = W(\Phi, \phi, \cos \Theta)$ for data with negative and positive beam helicity ($\langle |P_b| \rangle = 53.5\%$, $\Psi = \Phi - \phi$). 15 “unpolarized” plus, for the first time, 8 “polarized” SDMEs.

⇒ Full agreement of the fitted angular distributions with data

Function for the Fit of 23 SDME r_{ij}^α

$$W(\cos \Theta, \phi, \Phi) = W^{unpol} + W^{long.pol},$$

$$\begin{aligned} W^{unpol}(\cos \Theta, \phi, \Phi) = & \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left[\frac{1}{2}(1 - r_{00}^{04}) + \frac{1}{2}(3r_{00}^{04} - 1) \cos^2 \Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^{04}\} \sin 2\Theta \cos \phi - r_{1-1}^{04} \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi \right. \\ & - \epsilon \cos 2\Phi \left(r_{11}^1 \sin^2 \Theta + r_{00}^1 \cos^2 \Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^1\} \sin 2\Theta \cos \phi - r_{1-1}^1 \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi \right) \\ & - \epsilon \sin 2\Phi \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^2\} \sin 2\Theta \sin \phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^2\} \sin^2 \Theta \sin 2\phi \right) \\ & + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \cos \Phi \left(r_{11}^5 \sin^2 \Theta + r_{00}^5 \cos^2 \Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^5\} \sin 2\Theta \cos \phi - r_{1-1}^5 \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi \right) \\ & \left. + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \sin \Phi \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^6\} \sin 2\Theta \sin \phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^6\} \sin^2 \Theta \sin 2\phi \right) \right], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} W^{long.pol.}(\cos \Theta, \phi, \Phi) = & \frac{3}{8\pi^2} P_{beam} \left[\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2} \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^3\} \sin 2\Theta \sin \phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^3\} \sin^2 \Theta \sin 2\phi \right) \right. \\ & + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \cos \Phi \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^7\} \sin 2\Theta \sin \phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^7\} \sin^2 \Theta \sin 2\phi \right) \\ & \left. + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \sin \Phi \left(r_{11}^8 \sin^2 \Theta + r_{00}^8 \cos^2 \Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^8\} \sin 2\Theta \cos \phi - r_{1-1}^8 \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

\implies “Polarized” SDMEs are measurable with the longitudinally polarized beam and $\epsilon < 1$

SDMEs According to Hierarchy of Amplitudes with(out) Helicity Flip: ρ^0 ϕ

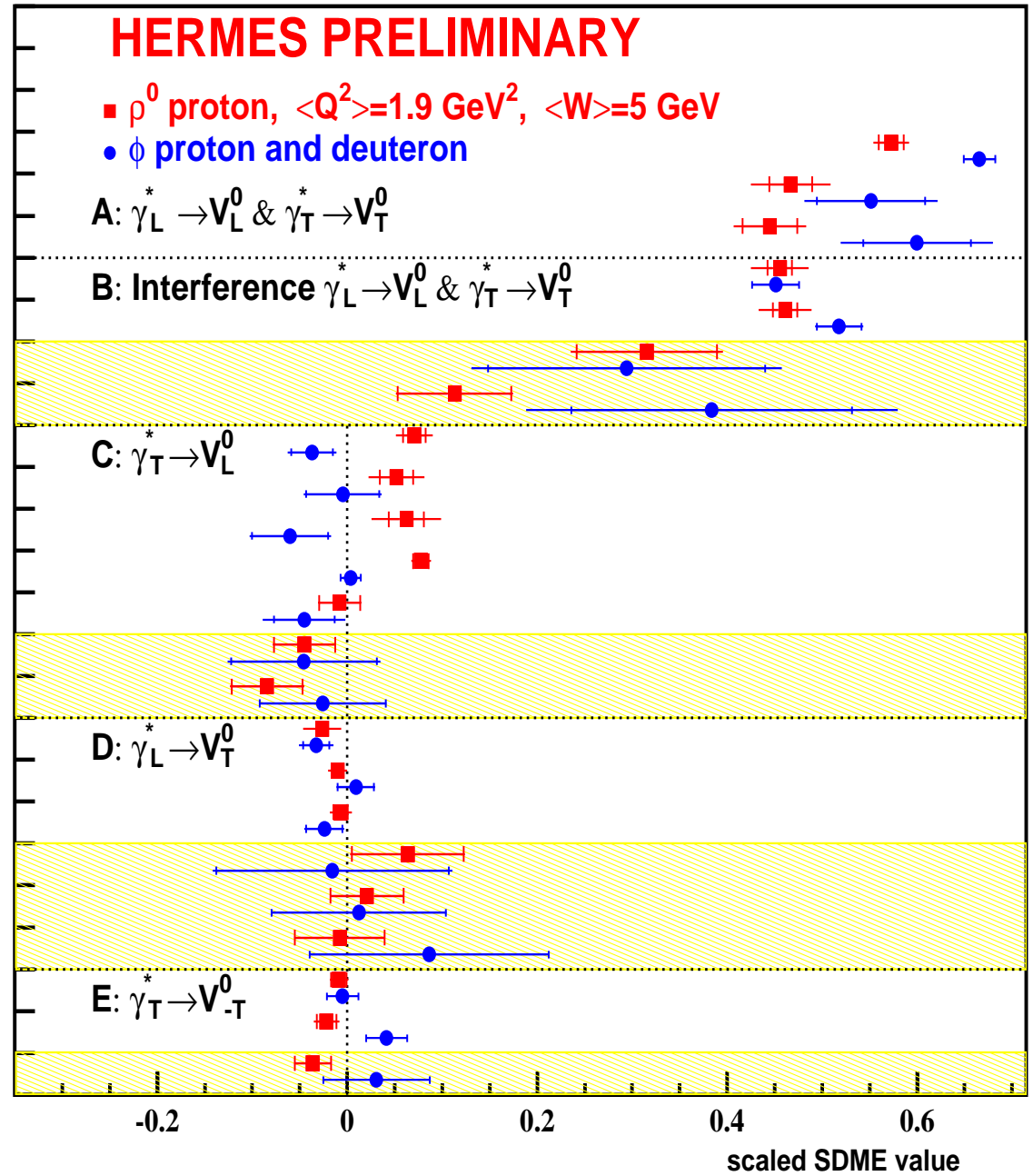
- A, $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_L^0$ and $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_T^0$
 $|T_{11}|^2 \propto 1 - r_{00}^4 \propto r_{1-1}^1 \propto -Im\{r_{1-1}^2\}$

- B, Interference: γ_L^*, ρ_T^0
 $Re\{T_{00}T_{11}^*\} \propto Re\{r_{10}^5\} \propto -Im\{r_{10}^6\}$
 $Im\{T_{11}T_{00}^*\} \propto Im\{r_{10}^7\} \propto Re\{r_{10}^8\}$

- C, Spin Flip: $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_L^0$
 $Re\{T_{11}T_{01}^*\} \propto Re\{r_{10}^{04}\} \propto Re\{r_{10}^1\} \propto Im\{r_{10}^2\}$
 $Re\{T_{01}T_{00}^*\} \propto r_{00}^5$
 $|T_{01}|^2 \propto r_{00}^1$
 $Im\{T_{01}T_{11}^*\} \propto Im\{r_{10}^3\}$
 $Im\{T_{01}T_{00}^*\} \propto r_{00}^8$

- D, Spin Flip: $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_T^0$
 $Re\{T_{10}T_{11}^*\} \propto r_{11}^5 \propto r_{1-1}^5 \propto Im\{r_{1-1}^6\}$
 $Im\{T_{10}T_{11}^*\} \propto Im\{r_{1-1}^7\} \propto r_{11}^8 \propto r_{1-1}^8$

- E, Spin Flip: $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_{-T}^0$
 $Re\{T_{1-1}T_{11}^*\} \propto r_{1-1}^{04} \propto r_{11}^1$
 $Im\{T_{1-1}T_{11}^*\} \propto Im\{r_{1-1}^3\}$



⇒ **Hierarchy of ρ^0 amplitudes:** $|T_{00}| \sim |T_{11}| \gg |T_{01}| > |T_{10}| \gtrsim |T_{1-1}|$, ($0 \rightarrow L, 1 \rightarrow T$)

⇒ ϕ meson SDMEs are consistent with SCHC, $|T_{00}| \sim |T_{11}|$

ρ^0 Longitudinal-to-Transverse Cross-Section Ratio

Presented commonly measured $R^{04} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{r_{00}^{04}}{1 - r_{00}^{04}}$,

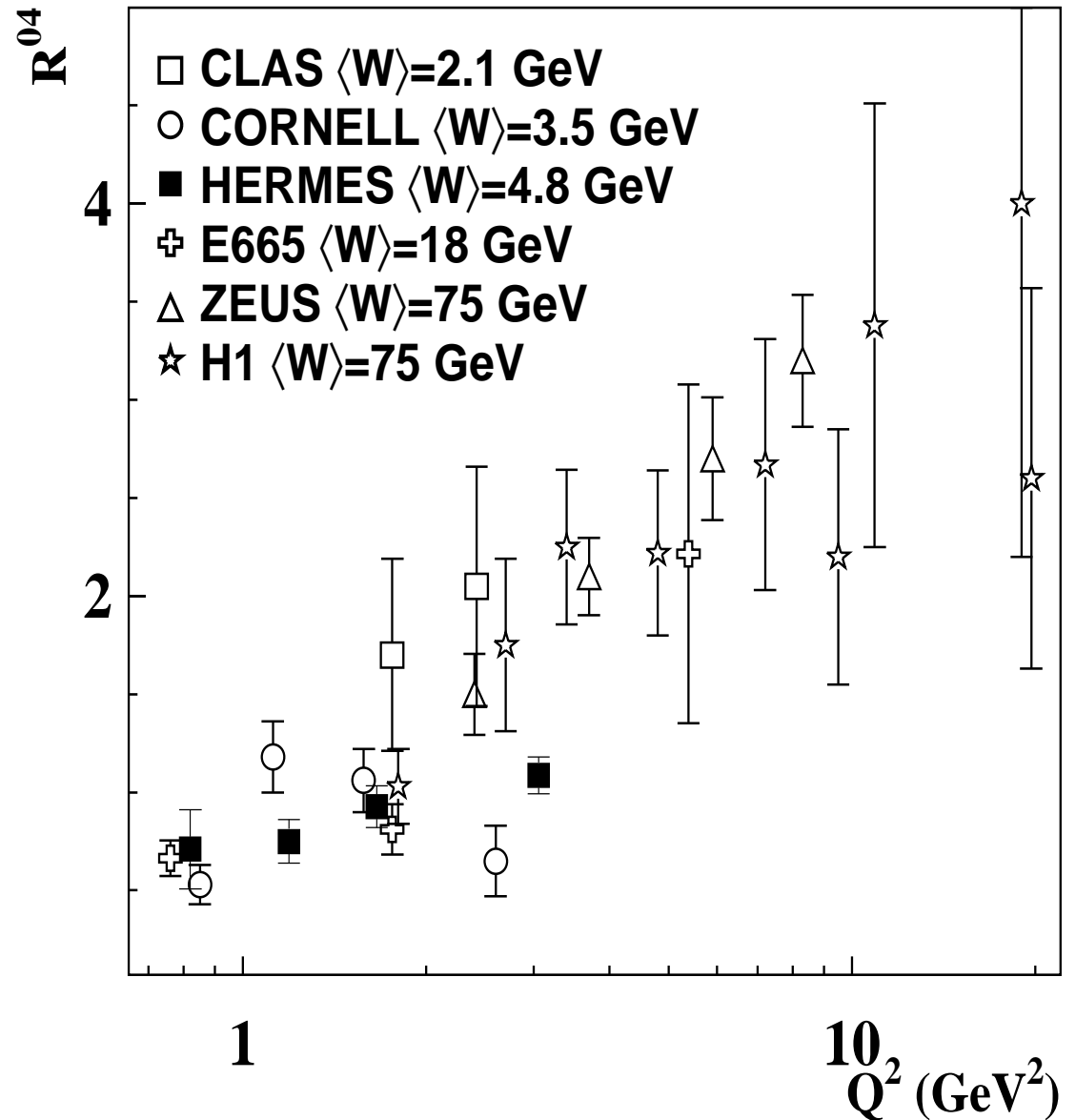
$$r_{00}^{04} = \sum \{ \epsilon |T_{00}|^2 + |T_{01}|^2 + |U_{01}|^2 \} / \sigma_{tot}$$

$$\sigma_{tot} = \epsilon \sigma_L + \sigma_T$$

$$\sigma_T = \sum \{ |T_{11}|^2 + |T_{01}|^2 + |T_{1-1}|^2 + |U_{11}|^2 \}$$

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

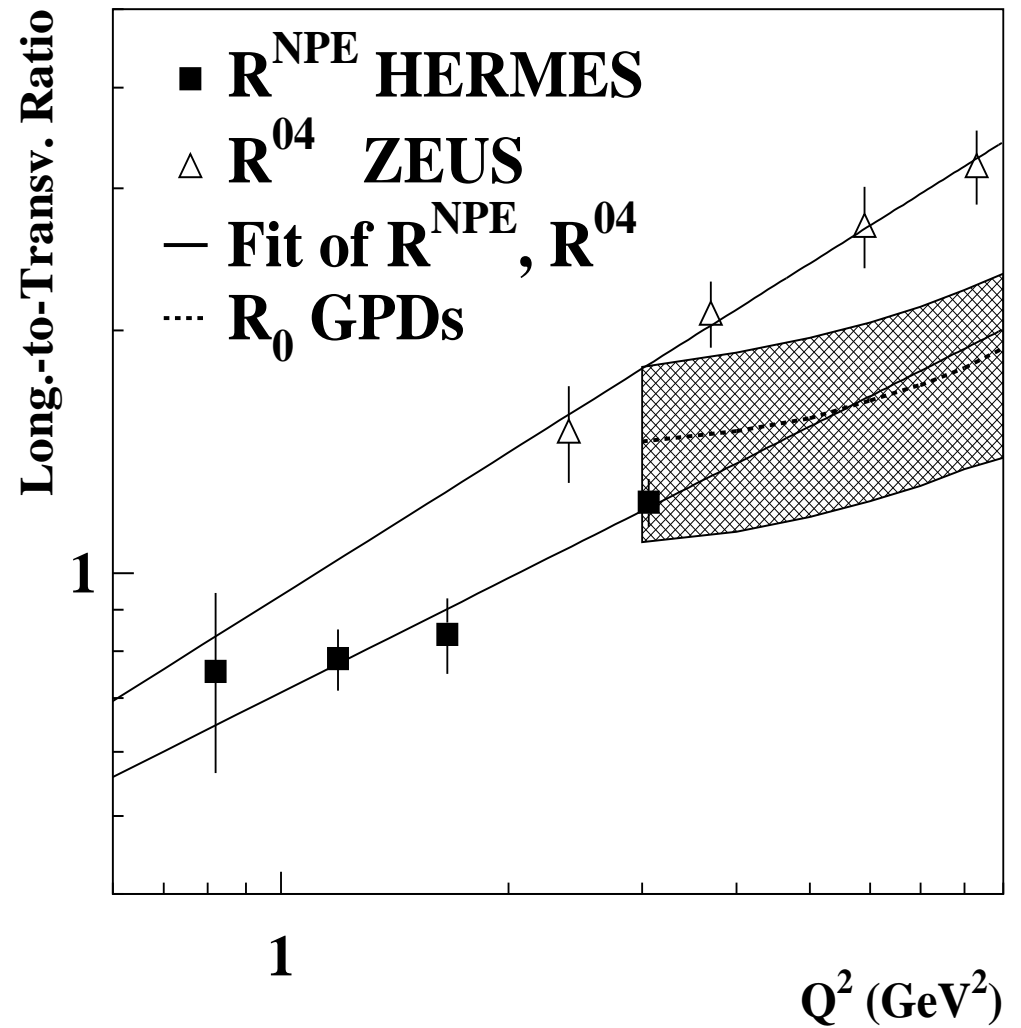
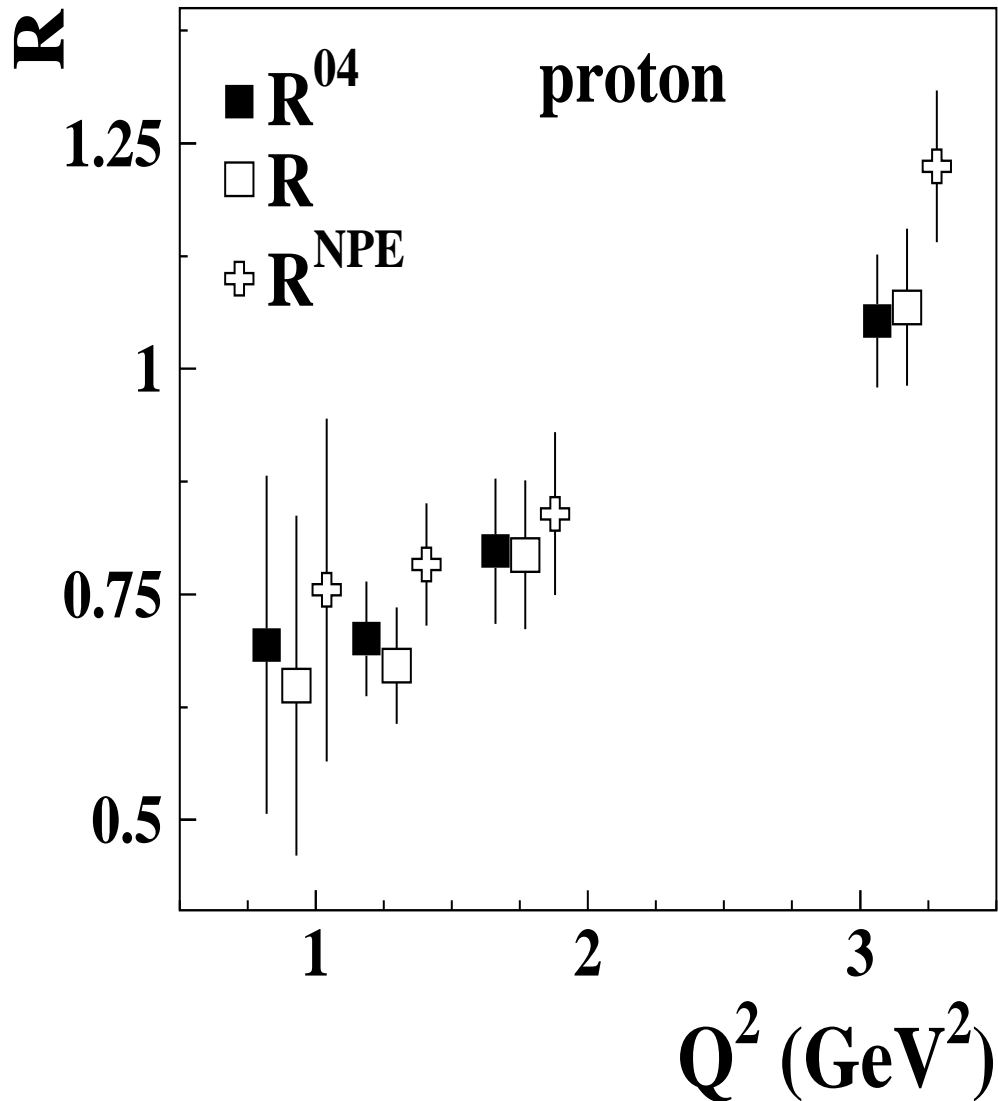
Due to the helicity-flip and unnatural parity amplitudes R^{04} depends on kinematic conditions, and is not identical to $R \equiv |T_{00}|^2 / |T_{11}|^2$ for SCHC and NPE dominance.



HERMES collab. arXiv:0901.0701, DESY 08-203

⇒ HERMES ρ^0 data on R^{04} indicate $R(W)$ -dependence

ρ^0 Longitudinal-to-Transverse Cross-Section Ratio



$$R \equiv |T_{00}|^2 / |T_{11}|^2$$

$$R^{NPE} \approx R^{04} [1 + 0.5u_1(1 + \epsilon R^{04})]$$

see HERMES collab. arXiv:0901.0701, DESY 08-203

$$R(Q^2) = c_0 \left(\frac{Q^2}{M_V^2} \right)^{c_1}$$

HERMES: $c_0 = 0.56 \pm 0.08$, $c_1 = 0.47 \pm 0.12$, $\chi^2/d.o.f. = 0.45$

ZEUS: $c_0 = 0.69 \pm 0.22$, $c_1 = 0.59 \pm 0.15$, $\chi^2/d.o.f. = 0.15$

\Rightarrow W -dependence of c_0 and c_1

ϕ Longitudinal-to-Transverse Cross-Section Ratio

Presented commonly measured $R^{04} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{r_{00}^{04}}{1-r_{00}^{04}}$,

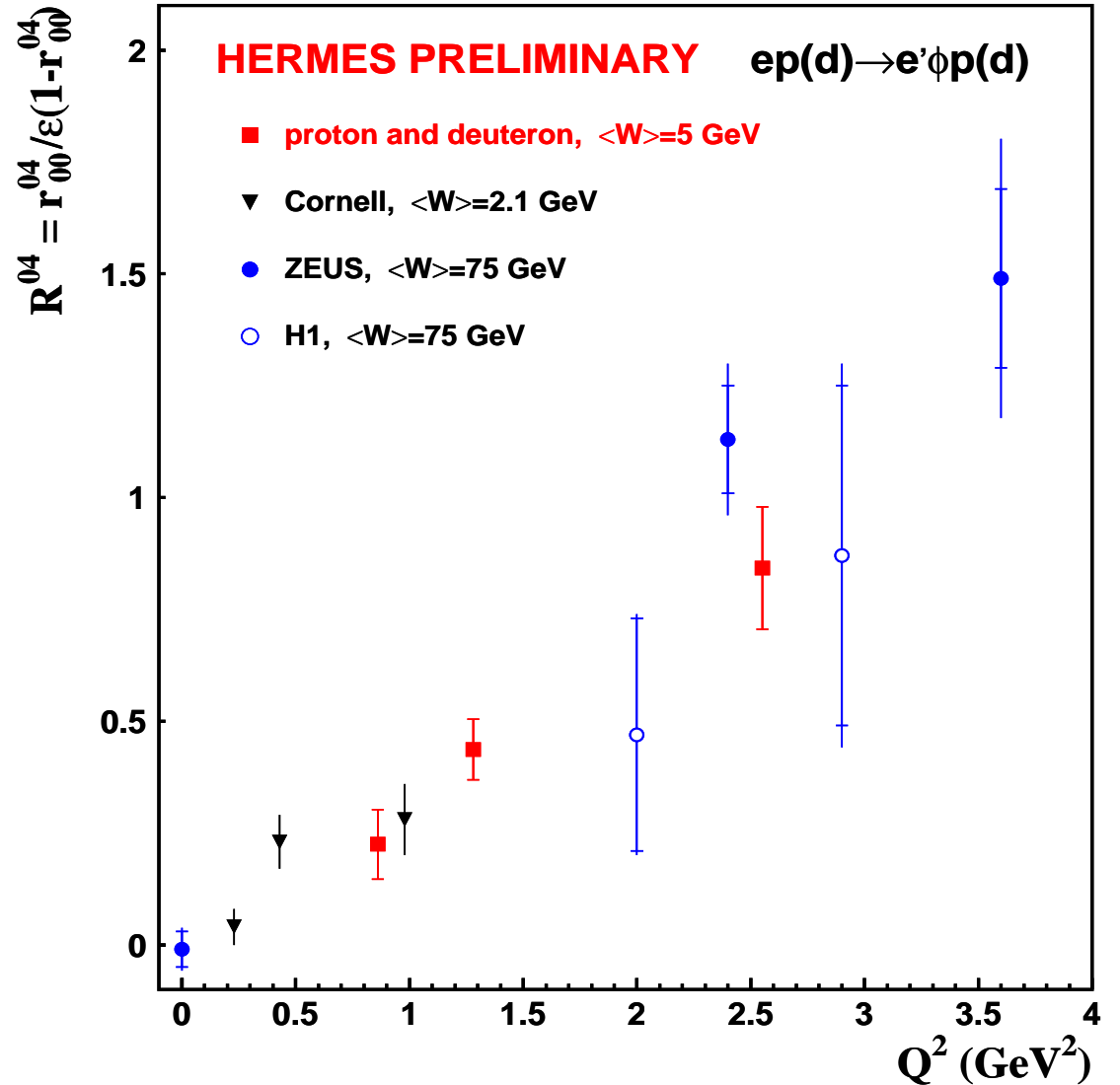
from the SDMEs analysis:

$$r_{00}^{04} = \frac{\sum\{\epsilon|T_{00}|^2\}}{\sigma_{tot}}$$

$$\sigma_{tot} = \epsilon\sigma_L + \sigma_T$$

$$\sigma_T = \sum\{|T_{11}|^2\}$$

$$\sigma_L = \sum\{|T_{00}|^2\}$$

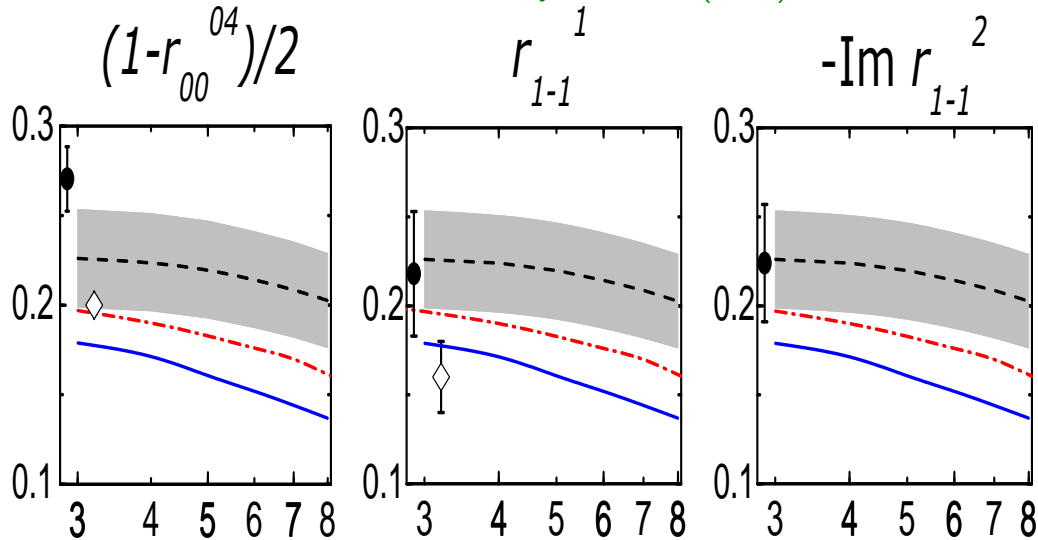


$\Rightarrow R^{04}$ for ϕ meson at HERMES is in good agreement with world data

Weak W -dependence of R^{04} is supported by calculations, S. V. Goloskokov and P. Kroll, Eur. Phys. J. C **53** (2008) 367;

ρ^0 SDMEs Compared with GK Model Calculations

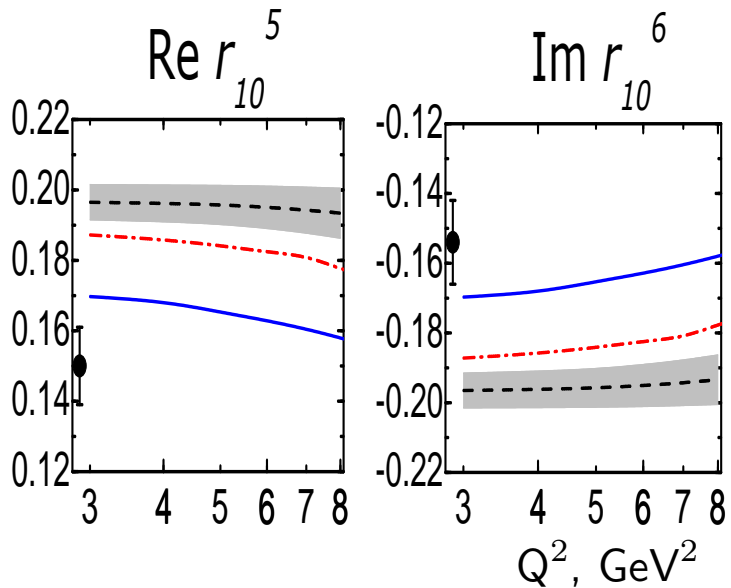
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$$1 - r_{00}^{04} \propto r_{1-1}^1 \propto -\text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^2\} \propto |T_{11}|^2$$

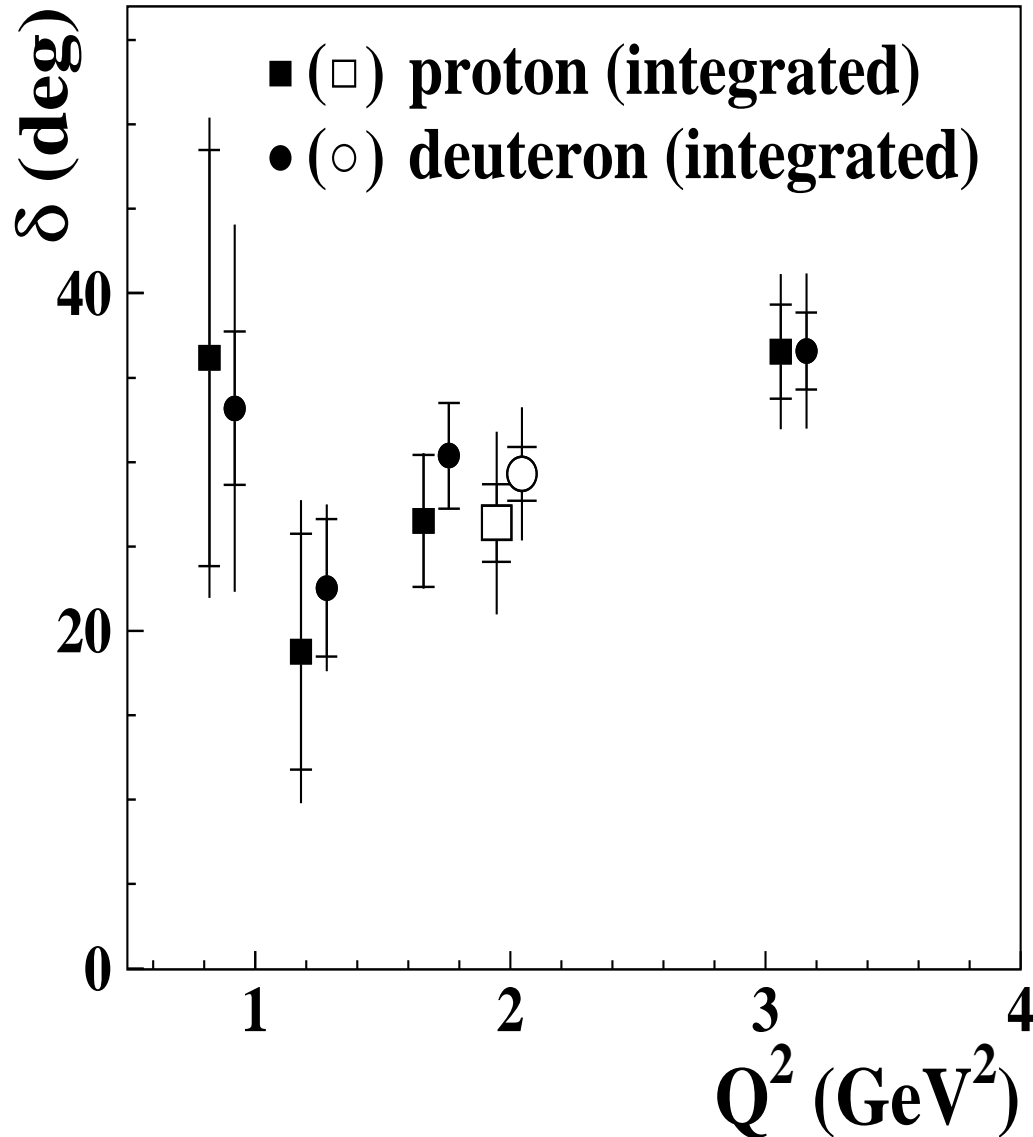
i.e. amplitudes for $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_L^0, \gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_T^0$

- $W=90$ GeV
- $W=10$ GeV, diamond: COMPASS
- $W=5$ GeV, circle: HERMES PRELIMINARY
- \Rightarrow Fair agreement with data



$\text{Re } r_{10}^5$ and $\text{Im } r_{10}^6$ correspond to interference of γ_L^*, ρ_T^0 amplitudes, phase difference between T_{11} and T_{00}

Phase Difference δ between T_{11} and T_{00} amplitudes



$$\sin \delta = \frac{2\sqrt{\epsilon}(\text{Re}\{r_{10}^8\} + \text{Im}\{r_{10}^7\})}{\sqrt{r_{00}^{04}(1 - r_{00}^{04} + r_{1-1}^1 - \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^2\})}}$$

$$\rho^0 \text{ p: } \delta = 30.6 \pm 5.0_{stat} \pm 2.4_{syst} \text{ deg}$$

$$\rho^0 \text{ d: } \delta = 36.3 \pm 3.9_{stat} \pm 1.7_{syst} \text{ deg}$$

$$\phi \text{ p+d: } \delta = 33.0 \pm 7.4_{total} \text{ deg}$$

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(for HERMES) arXiv:0808.0669

But in GK model $\delta = 3.1$ deg at $W=5$ GeV

\Rightarrow Indication on Q^2 -dependence of δ

Observation of Unnatural Parity Exchange (UPE) in ρ^0 Leptoproduction

- Unnatural parity exchange is mediated by pseudoscalar or axial meson: $J^P = 0^-, 1^+$, e.g. $\pi, a_1, b_1 \rightarrow$ only quark-exchange contribution
- No interference between NPE and UPE contributions on unpolarized target
- Extracted from SDMEs:

$$- u_1 \propto \epsilon |U_{10}|^2 + 2|U_{11} + U_{1-1}|^2$$

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

$$p: u_1 = 2|U_{11}|^2 = 0.125 \pm 0.021_{stat} \pm 0.050_{syst}$$

$$d: u_1 = 0.091 \pm 0.016_{stat} \pm 0.046_{syst}$$

$$p+d: u_1 = 0.106 \pm 0.036$$

$$- u_2 + iu_3 \propto (U_{11} + U_{1-1}) * U_{10}$$

$$u_2 = r_{11}^5 + r_{1-1}^5$$

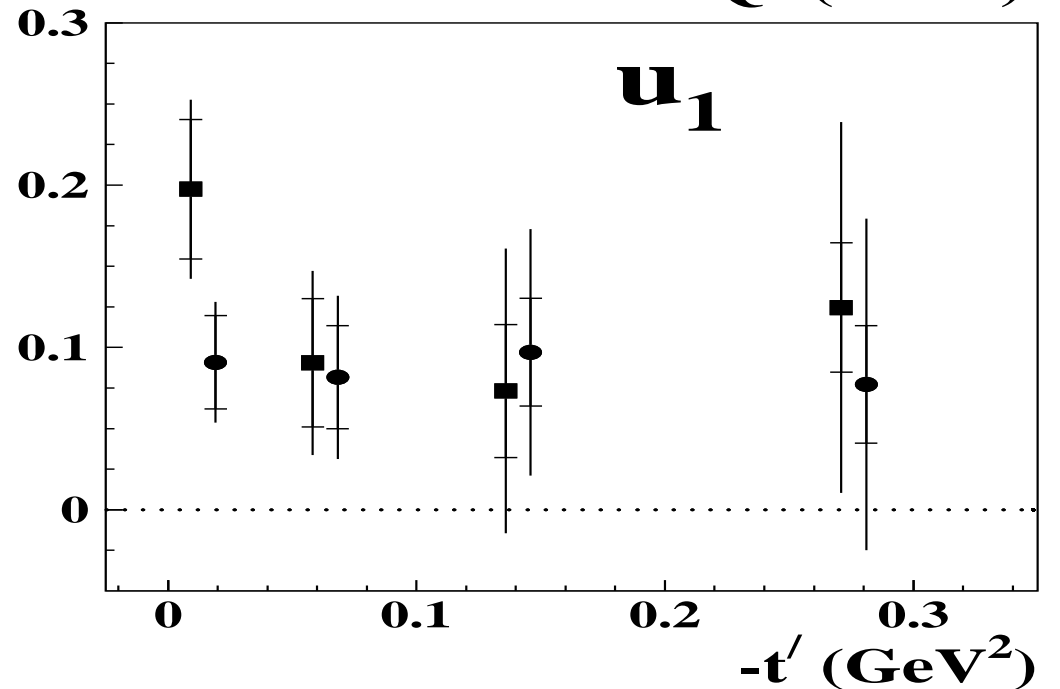
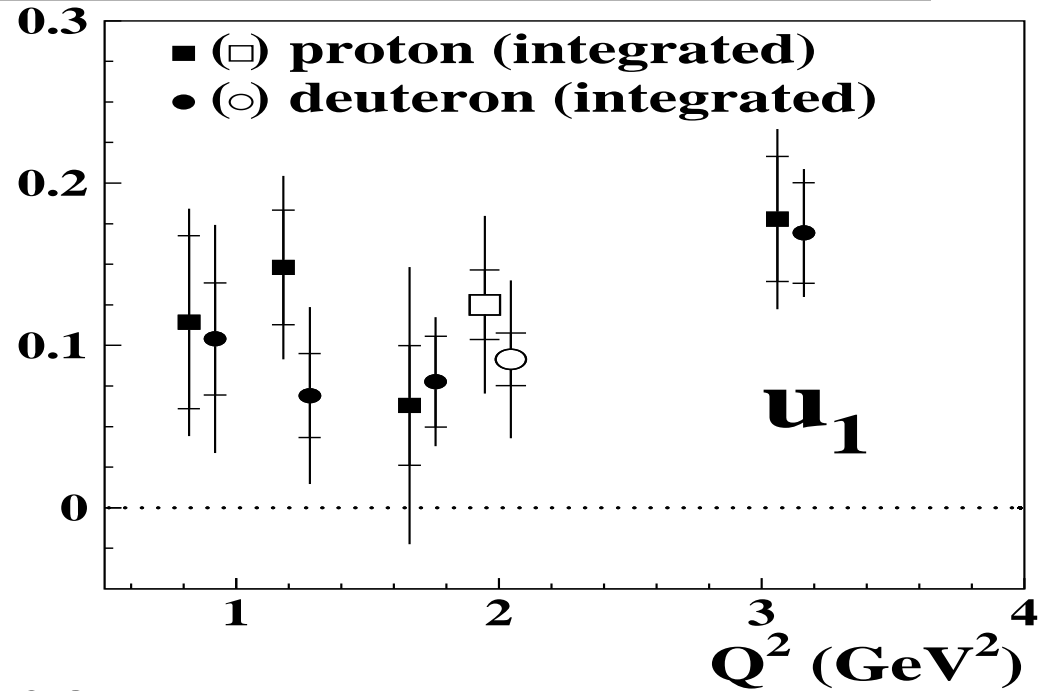
$$p: u_2 \approx -0.011 \pm 0.013$$

$$d: u_2 \approx -0.008 \pm 0.011$$

$$u_3 = r_{11}^8 + r_{1-1}^8$$

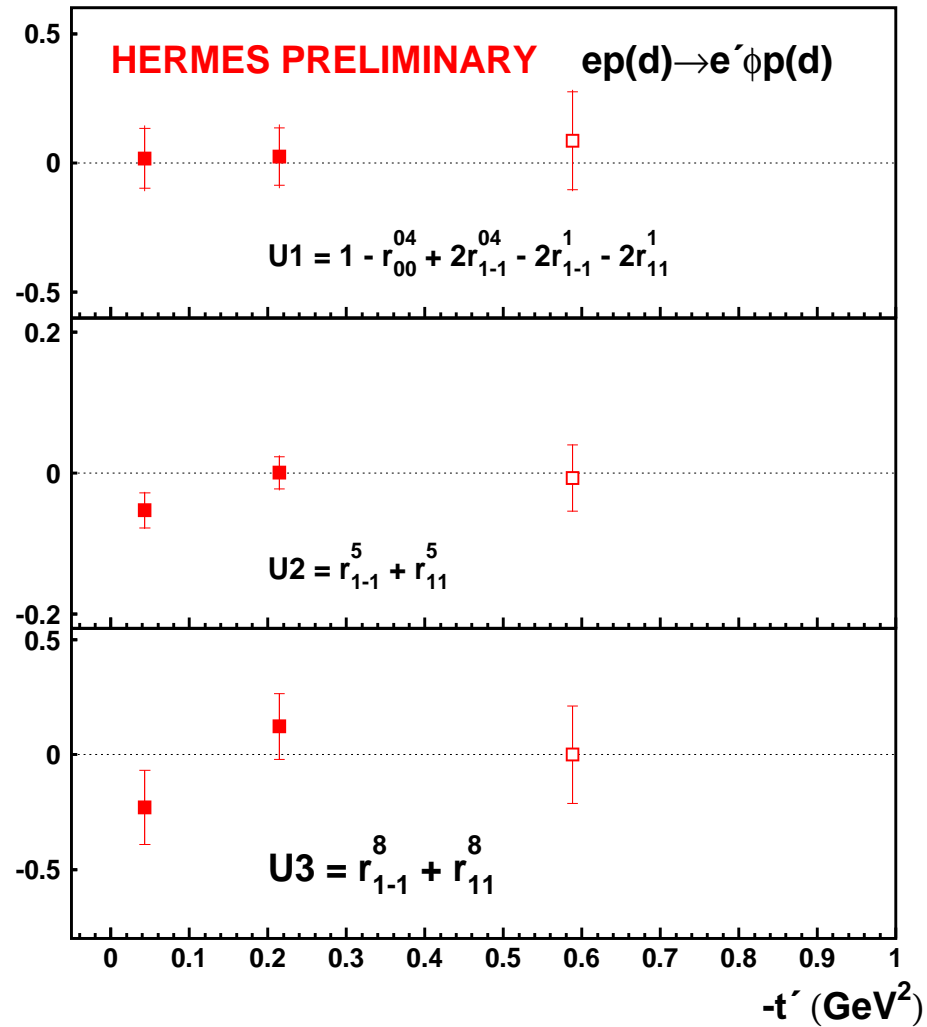
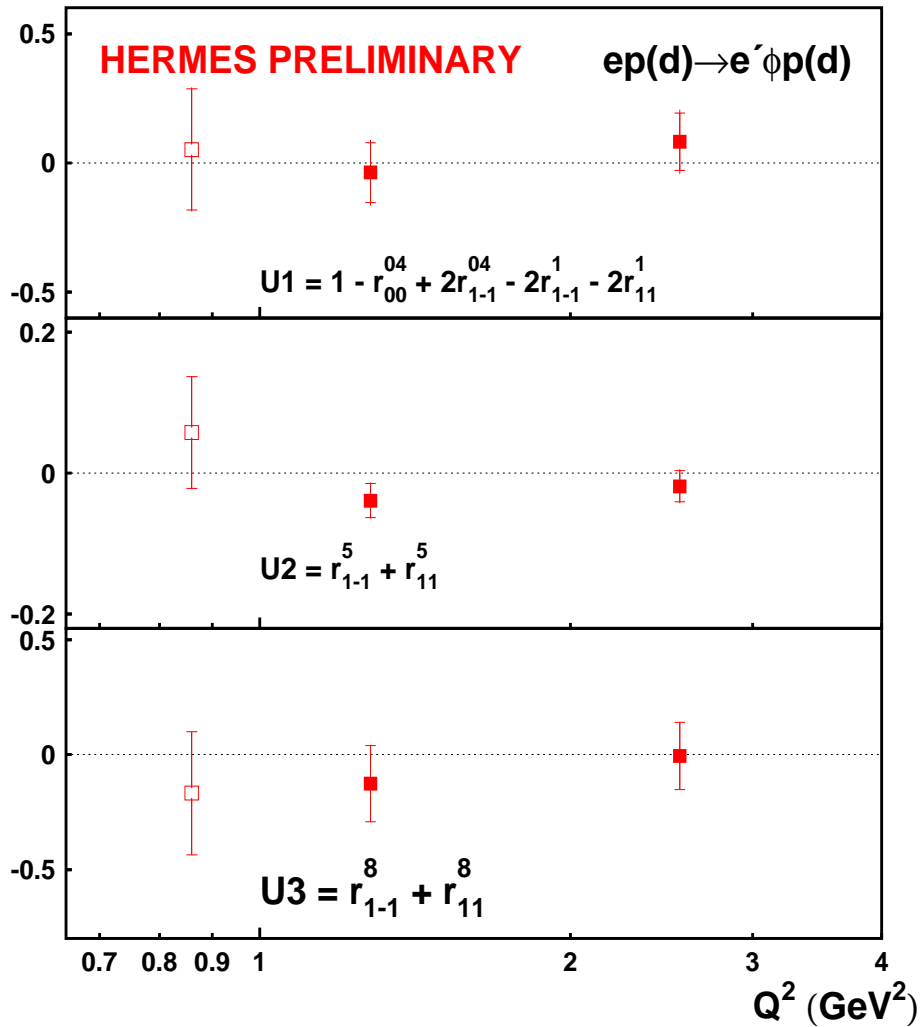
$$p: u_3 \approx 0.055 \pm 0.050$$

$$d: u_3 \approx -0.040 \pm 0.040$$



⇒ Indication on hierarchy of ρ^0 UPE amplitudes: $|U_{11}| \gg |U_{10}| \sim |U_{01}|$

...Only Natural Parity Exchange in ϕ Meson Leptoproduction

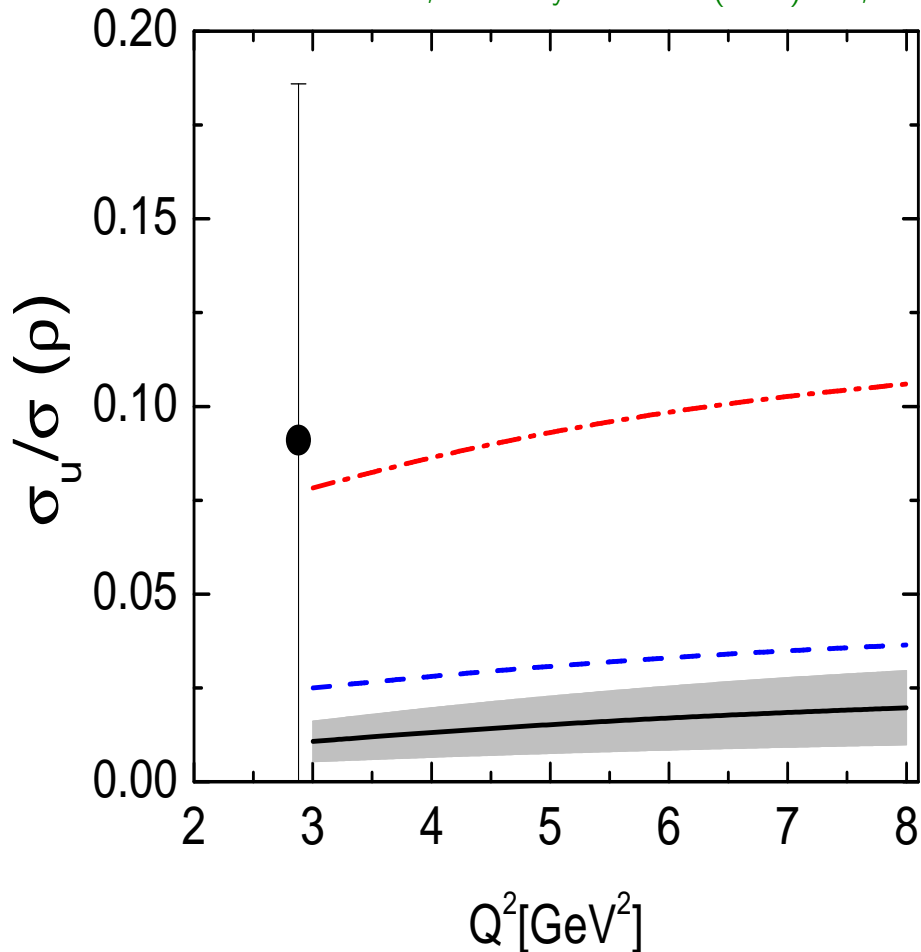


$$U1 \approx 0.02 \pm 0.17, \quad U2 \approx -0.03 \pm 0.04, \quad U3 \approx -0.05 \pm 0.13$$

\Rightarrow no UPE for ϕ meson production, as expected

Unnatural Parity Exchange contribution in GK model

S. V. Goloskokov and P. Kroll, Eur. Phys. J. C **53** (2008) 367;



HERMES PRELIMINARY point plotted, $W=5$ GeV

\Rightarrow At $\langle Q^2 \rangle = 3.05 \text{ GeV}^2$ (HERMES collab. arXiv:0901.0701, DESY 08-203) larger u_1 measured :

$$p: u_1 = 0.178 \pm 0.038_{stat} \pm 0.040_{syst}$$

$$d: u_1 = 0.169 \pm 0.032_{stat} \pm 0.024_{syst}$$

- In GK model UPE requires \tilde{H} GPD:

$$\sigma_U \propto e_u \tilde{H}_{val}^u - e_d \tilde{H}_{val}^d \text{ for } \rho^0 \text{ production}$$

$$\sigma_U / \sigma(\rho^0) = 2|U_{11}|^2 / \sigma(\rho^0)$$

Lines:

- extreme assumption for valence quarks:

$$\tilde{H}_{val}^u = H_{val}^u \text{ and } \tilde{H}_{val}^d = H_{val}^d$$

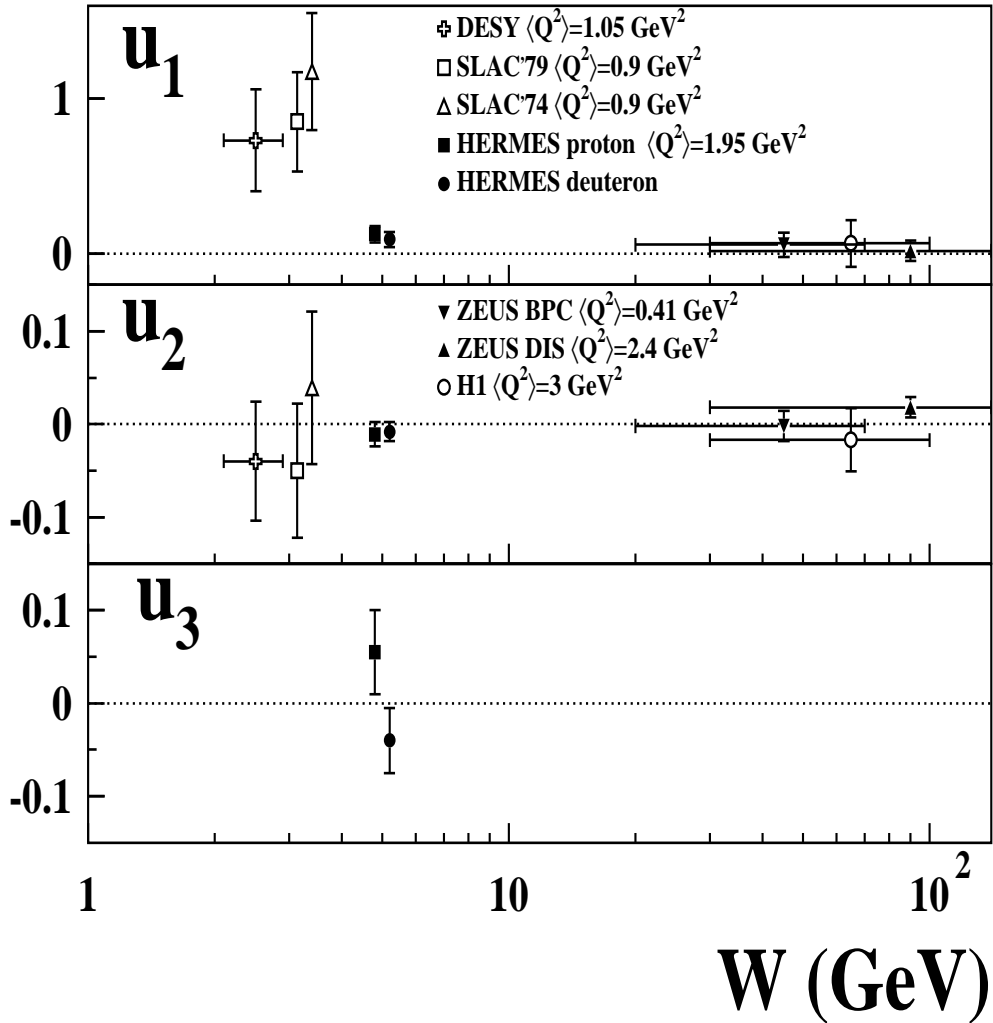
- extreme assumption for valence quarks:

$$\tilde{H}_{val}^u = H_{val}^u \text{ and } \tilde{H}_{val}^d = -H_{val}^d$$

- $\sigma_U \approx 0.013$ for gluons and sea contribution

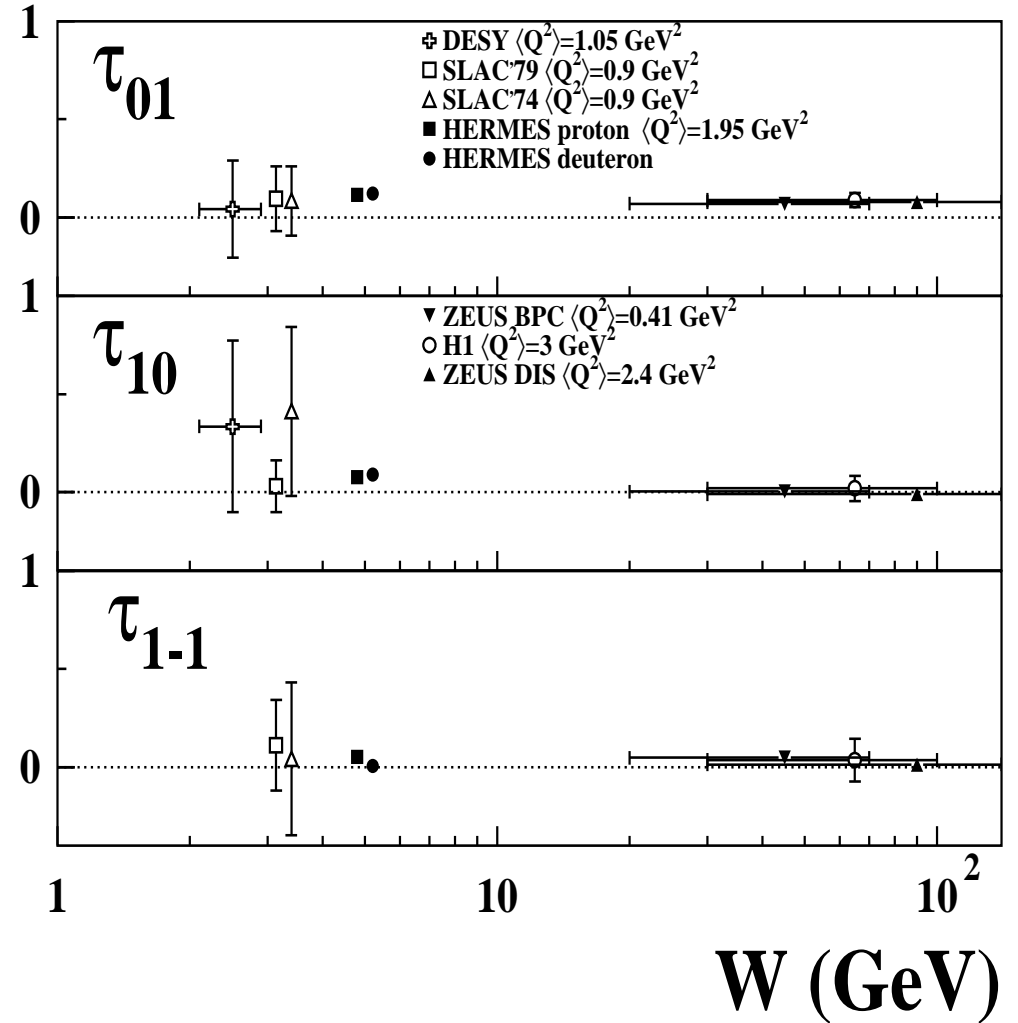
- σ_U small for H1 and ZEUS ρ^0 data as gluon and sea contribution dominates
- σ_U small for ϕ at HERMES as gluon contribution dominates

World data on Unnatural Parity Exchange and Spin-Flip Contributions for ρ^0



$$\langle u_1^{low W} \rangle = 0.70 \pm 0.16$$

⇒ **W-dependence of u_1**



$$\tau_{ij} = \frac{|T_{ij}|}{\sqrt{\sum_{ij} |T_{ij}|^2}}, \quad \tau_{ij}^2 = \frac{|T_{ij}|^2}{\sigma_{tot}}$$

Transverse Target Polarization Asymmetry A_{UT}

$$A_{UT} \approx \frac{\sqrt{t_0-t}}{m_p} \frac{\text{Im}(E_V^* H_V)}{|H_V|^2} = \frac{\sqrt{t_0-t}}{m_p} \left| \frac{E_V}{H_V} \right| \sin \delta_V,$$

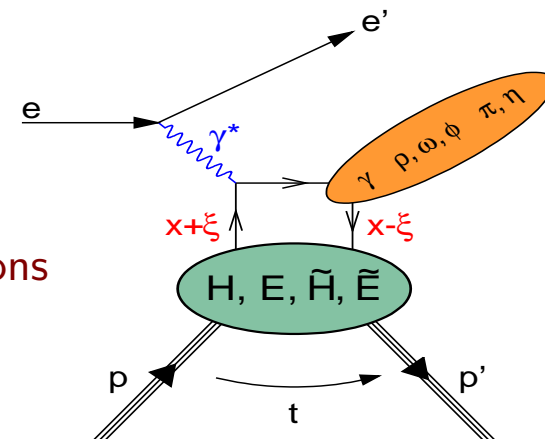
where $\delta_V = \text{arg}(H_V/E_V)$, is relative phase between H_V and E_V

⇒ Access to GPD function E which is sensitive to the angular momentum of quarks and gluons

GPD based calculations of A_{UT}^V :

- M.Diehl, W.Kugler (Eur.Phys.J.C52:933-966,2007, arXiv:0708.1121, DESY-07-17) LO and NLO, at $Q^2 \geq 4 \text{ GeV}^2$, $t = -0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$, $V = \rho^0, \omega, \phi$
- D.Ivanov (arXiv:0712.3193, and HERMES seminar, DESY, 9.12.2008): **stable results for a resummation of NLO amplitudes for vector mesons are presented for fixed target experiments only.**
- S. V. Goloskokov, P. Kroll, (Eur. Phys. J. C 53(2008) 367; and arXiv:0809.4126) LO, at $W = 5 \text{ GeV}$, $Q^2 \geq 3 \text{ GeV}^2$, $0 < -t < 0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$, i.e. at HERMES kinematic conditions, $V = \rho^0, \phi, \omega, \rho^+, K^{*0}$

⇒ Comparison of HERMES data with the GPD based calculations



Measurement of Transverse Target Polarization Asymmetry A_{UT}

Frankfurt, Polyakov, Strikman, Vanderhaeghen (2000) : $A_{UT}^{\pi^+} \propto |S_T| \sin(\phi - \phi_s) \tilde{E} \tilde{H}$

Goeke, Polyakov, Vanderhaeghen (2001): $A_{UT}^{\rho^0} \propto |S_T| \sin(\phi - \phi_s) E H$

$$S_T = \frac{\cos \theta_\gamma P_T}{(\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta_\gamma \sin^2 \phi_s})} \text{ defined with respect to the } \gamma^* \text{ direction,}$$

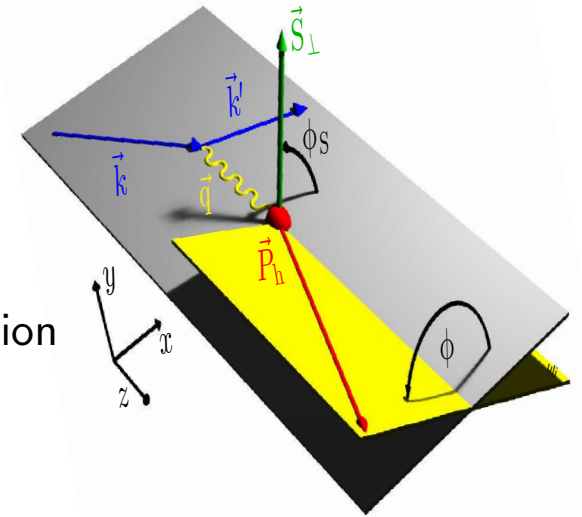
where transverse target polarization P_T with respect to the lepton beam direction

M. Diehl, S. Sapeta (Eur. Phys. J. C41:515-533, 2005; arXiv:hep-ph/0503023):

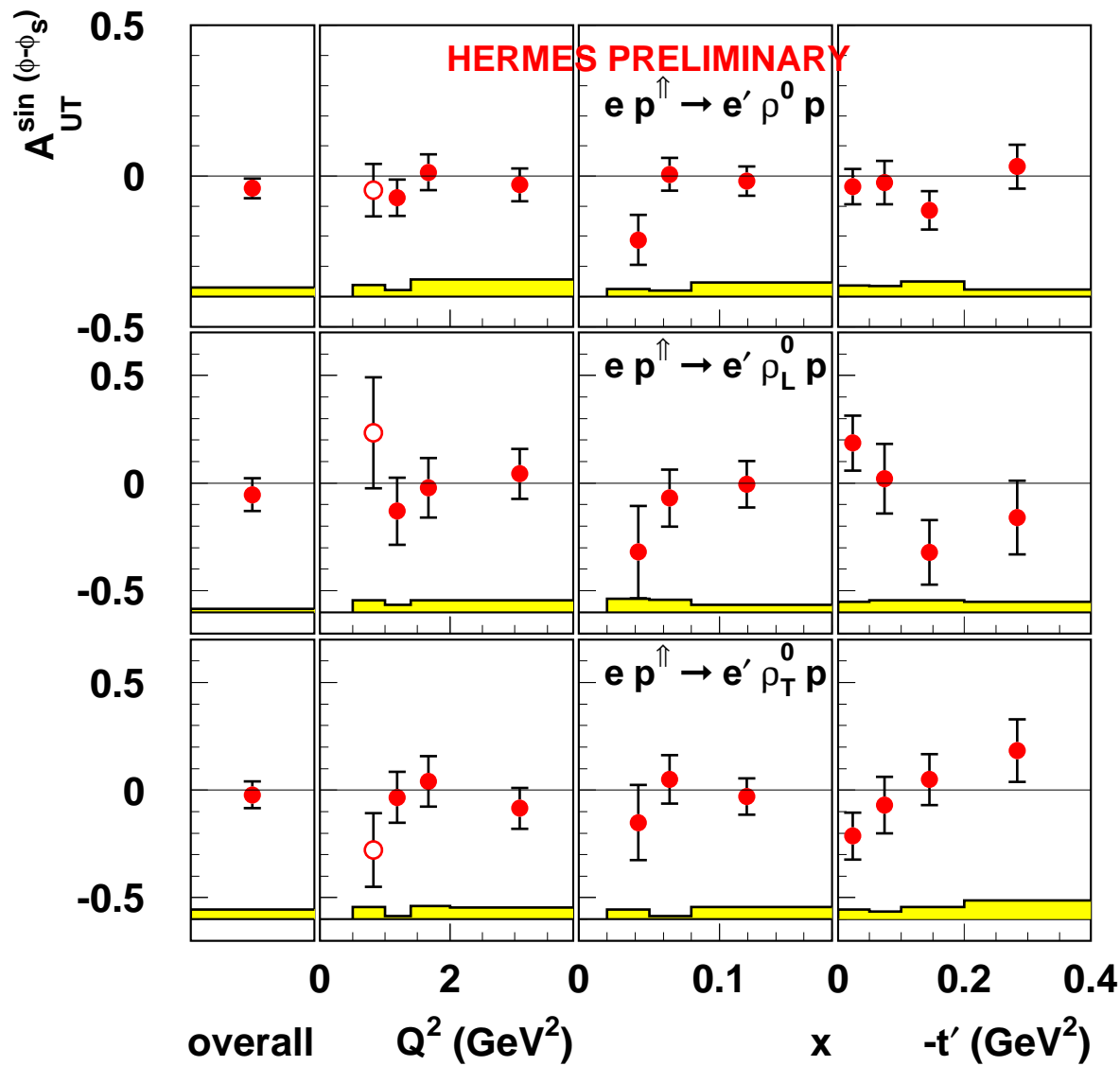
cross section decomposition in terms of 6 $\sin(m * \phi + n * \phi_s)$ moments:

$$\text{In leading twist: } A_{UT}(\phi, \phi_s) = \frac{\sigma_{UT}}{\sigma_{UU}} = A_{UT}^{\phi - \phi_s} \sin(\phi - \phi_s)$$

⇒ Maximum Likelihood Fit of $\sin(m * \phi - n * \phi_s)$ distributions



ρ^0 Transverse Target Polarization Asymmetry



- Average kinematics:
 $\langle -t' \rangle = 0.13 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $\langle x_B \rangle = 0.09$
 $\langle Q^2 \rangle = 1.95 \text{ GeV}^2$

- σ_L and σ_T separation done using the ρ^0 SDMEs

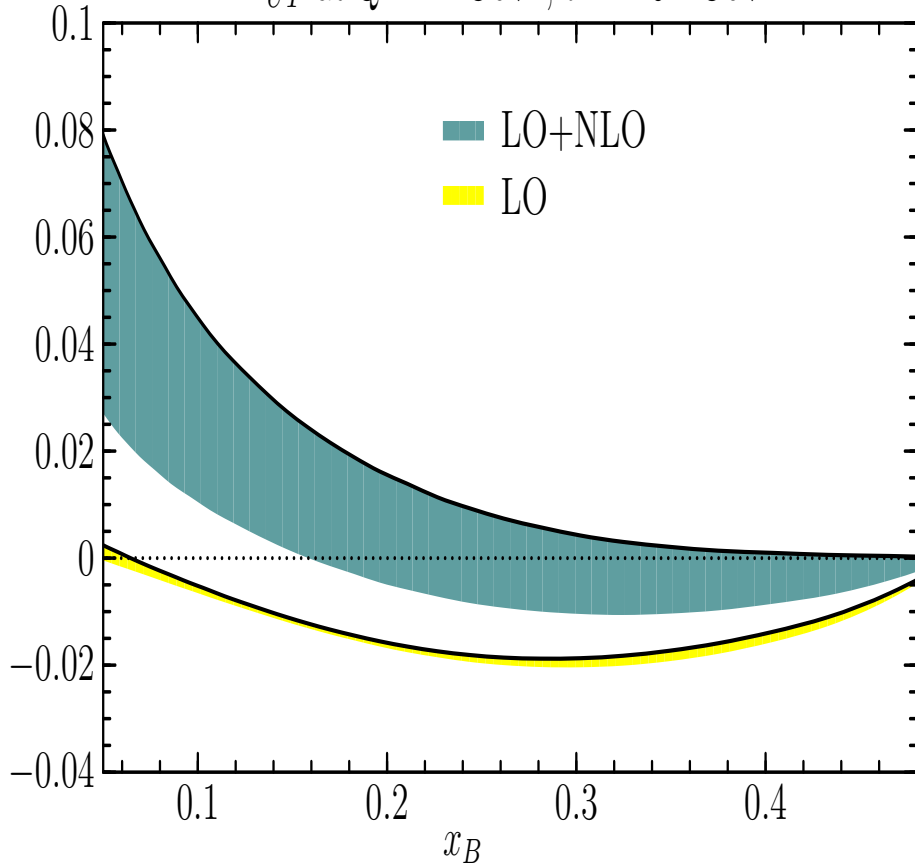
J.Dreschler, A.Rostomyan (for HERMES) arXiv:0707.2486

\Rightarrow Compatible with zero overall value for leading amplitude: $A_{UT}^{\rho^0} = -0.033 \pm 0.058$

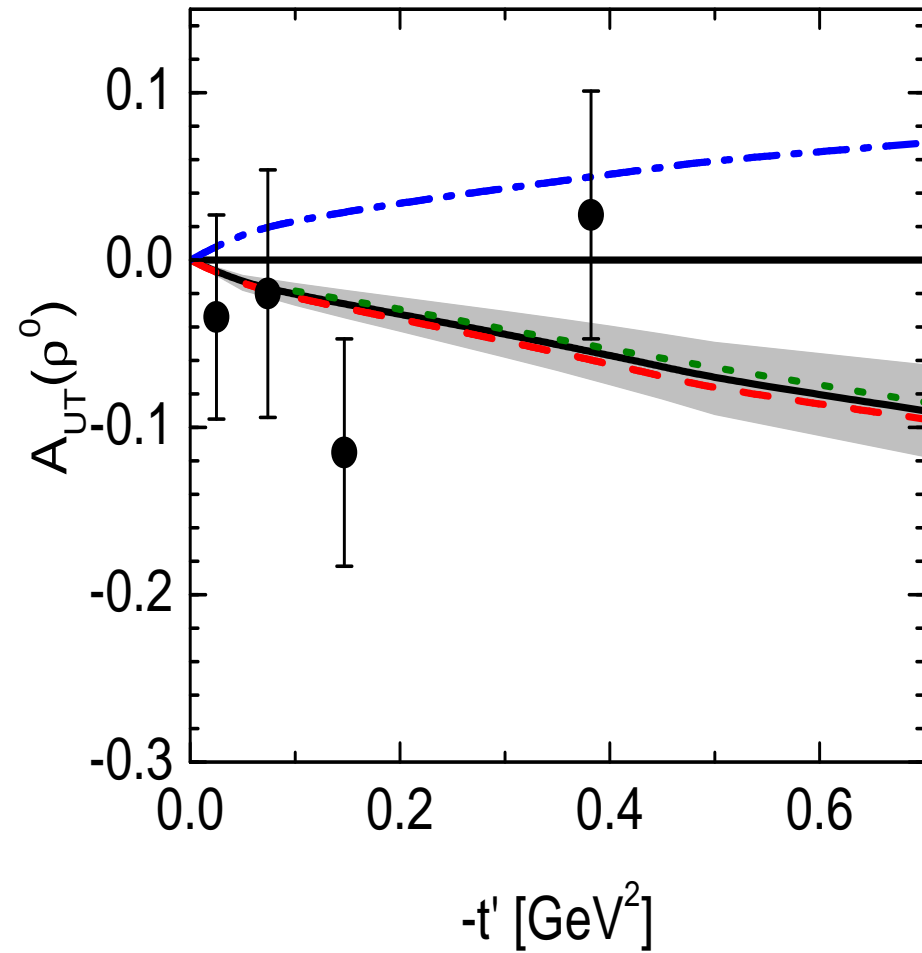
ρ^0 Transverse Target Polarization Asymmetry

M. Diehl, W. Kugler Eur. Phys. J. C52, 2007

A_{UT} at $Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$, $t = -0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$



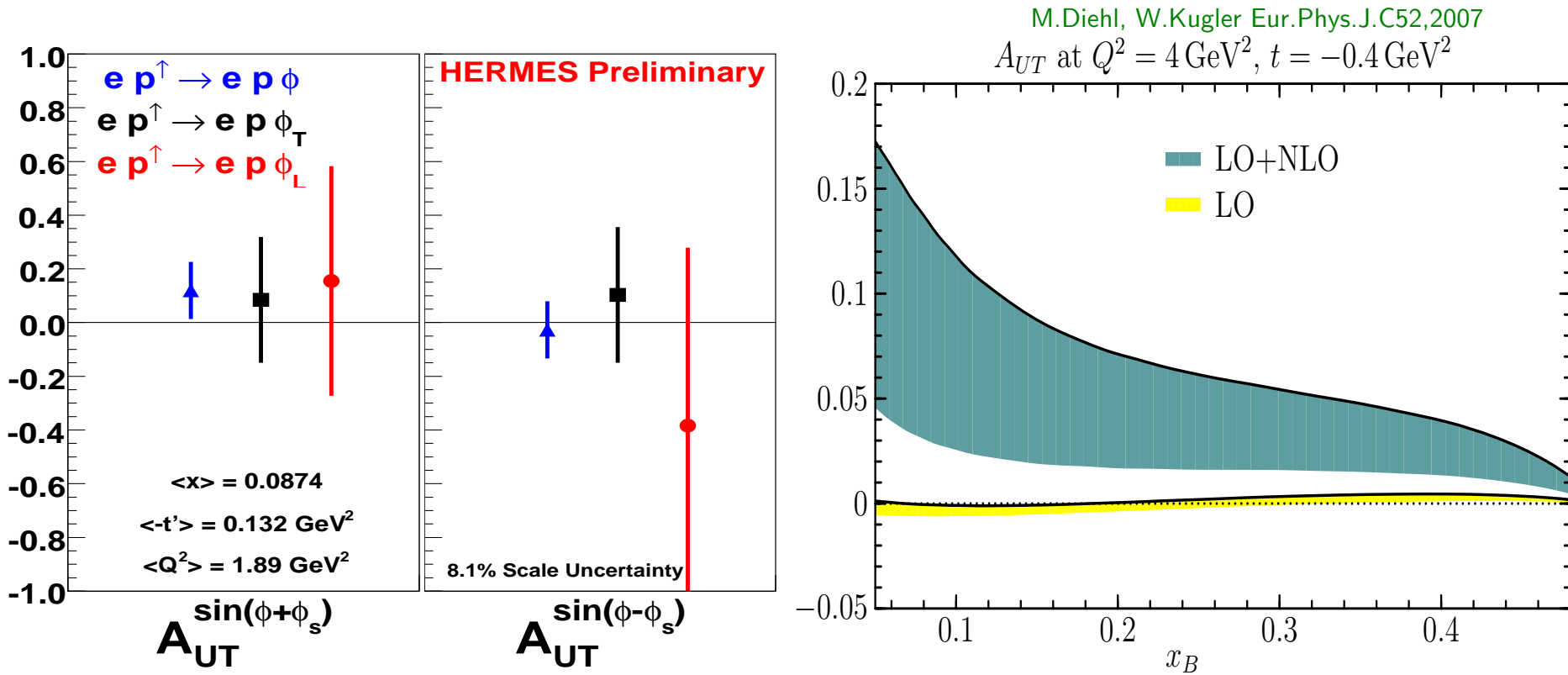
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$\Rightarrow A_{UT}^{\rho^0}$ is small

ϕ Meson Transverse Target Polarization Asymmetry

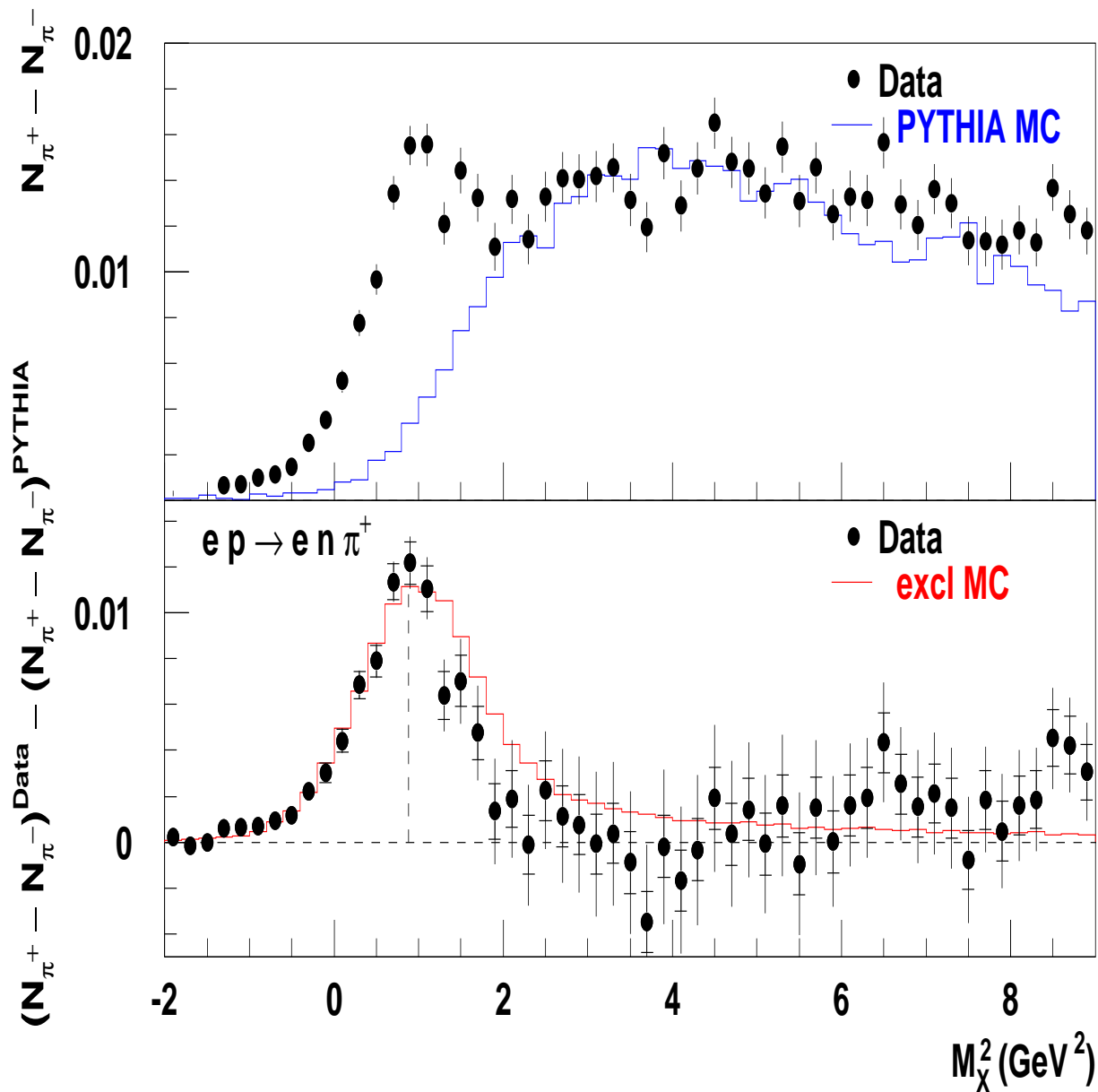


$\Rightarrow A_{UT}^{\phi}(\phi - \phi_s)$ is small in data, LO of M.Diehl, W.Kugler calculations and GK model.

...Note the predictions for $A_{UT}^{\omega} \approx -0.10$ and $A_{UT}^{\rho^+} \approx 0.40$ in S. V. Goloskokov, P. Kroll arXiv:0809.4126.

\Rightarrow Analysis is in progress

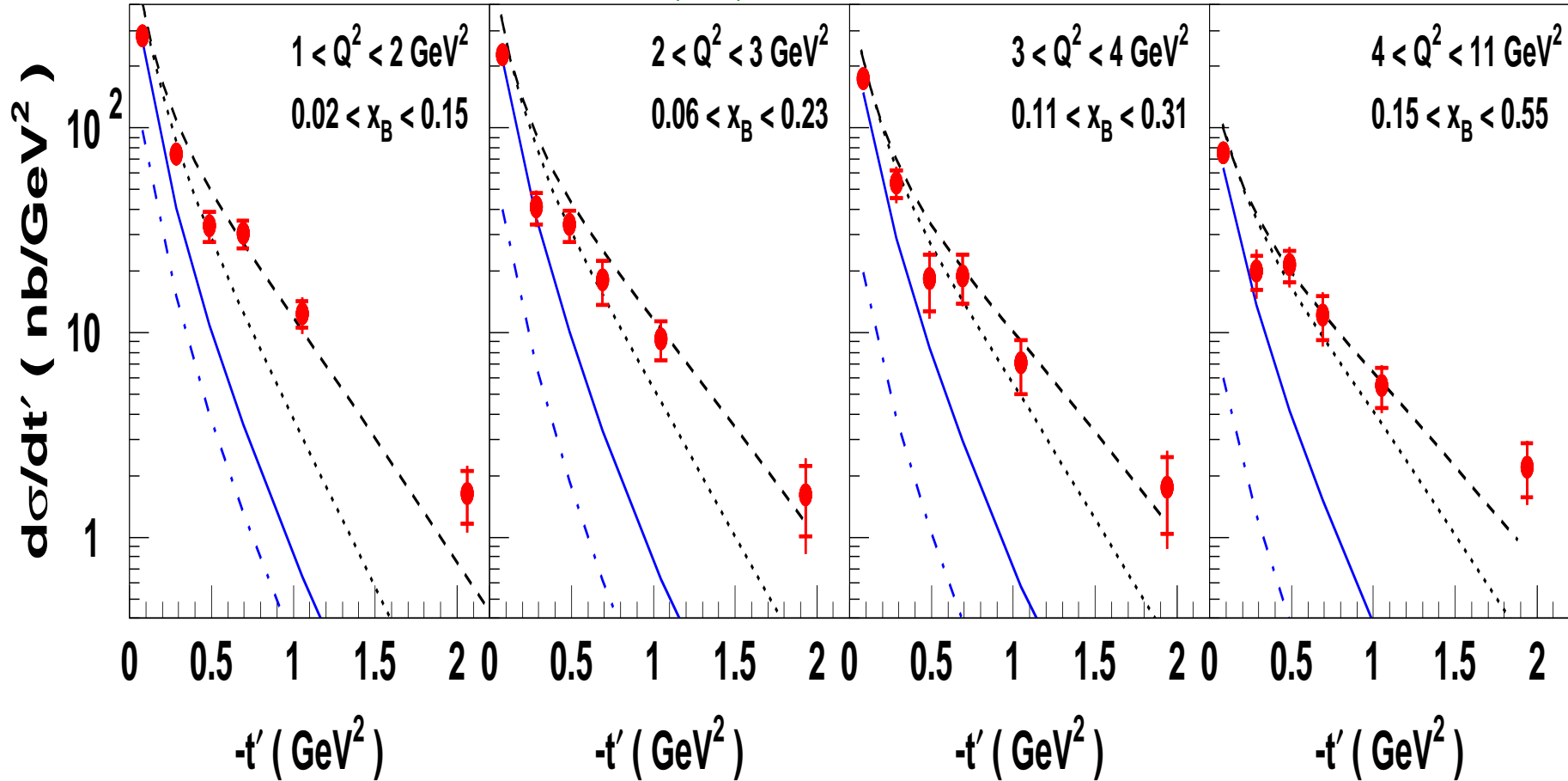
Exclusive π^+ Production: $ep \rightarrow e'\pi^+(n)$



- $M_x^2 = (P_e + P_p - P'_e - P_{\pi^+})^2$
- $\pi^+ - \pi^-$ yield difference used to subtract non-exclusive background
- exclusive peak centered at the nucleon mass
- agreement with the simulation of exclusive π^+ production

Cross Section of Exclusive π^+ Leptoproduction

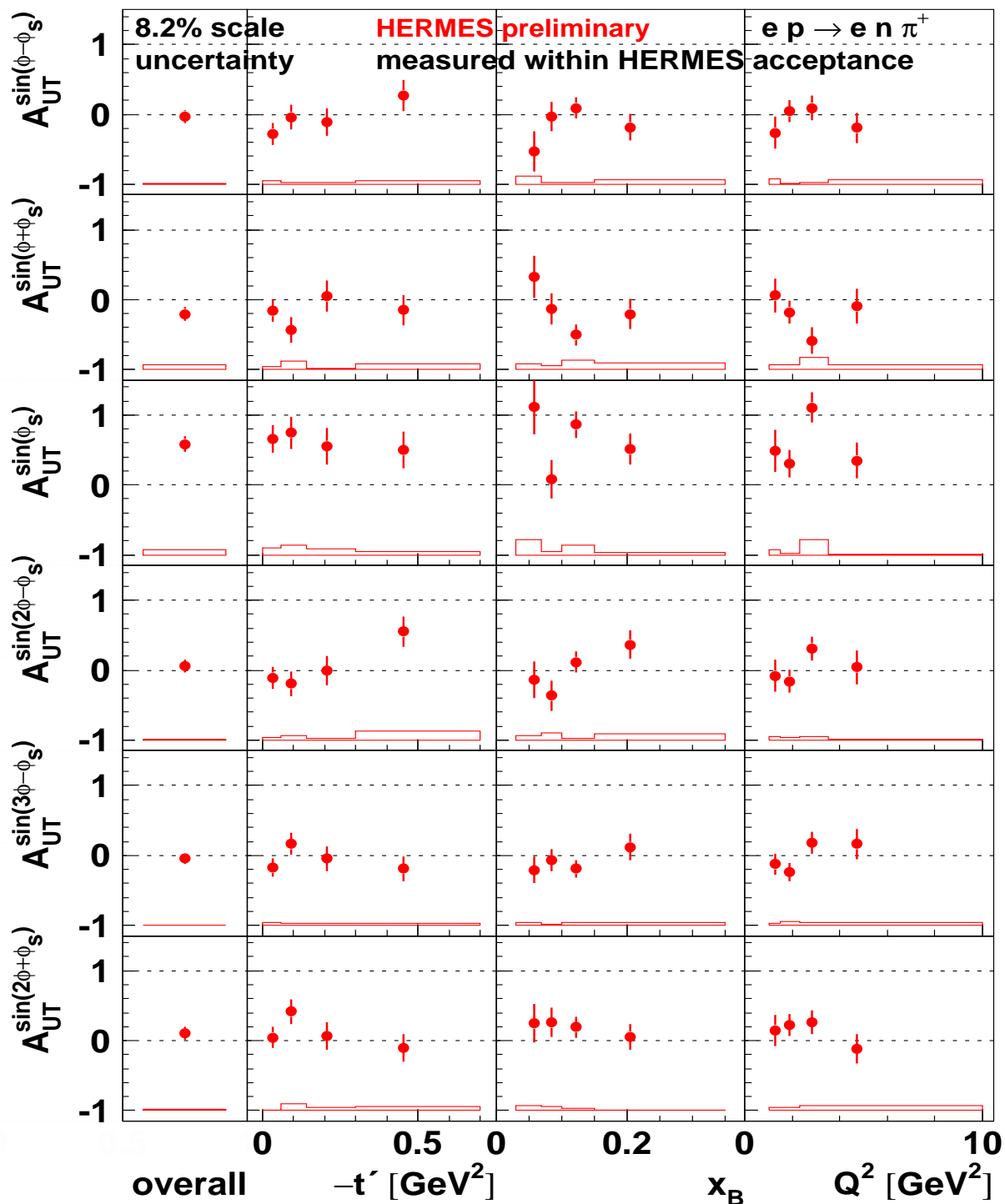
HERMES collab., A. Airapetian et al, Phys. Lett. B 659 (2008), arXiv:0707.0222 and DESY-07-098



GPD model for $d\sigma_L/dt'$ → fair agreement with data only at lower t'

Regge model for $d\sigma_L/dt'$ and $d\sigma_T/dt'$: σ_T is predicted to be 15-25 % of σ
→ good description of magnitude and Q^2 and $-t'$ dependences of the data

π^+ Transverse Target Polarization Asymmetry



- Fit of six moments:

$$A_{UT}(\phi, \phi_s) = \frac{\sigma_{UT}}{\sigma_{UU}} = \frac{\sum A_{UT}^{m*\phi+n*\phi_s} \sin(m*\phi+n*\phi_s)}{\sum \sin(m*\phi+n*\phi_s)}$$

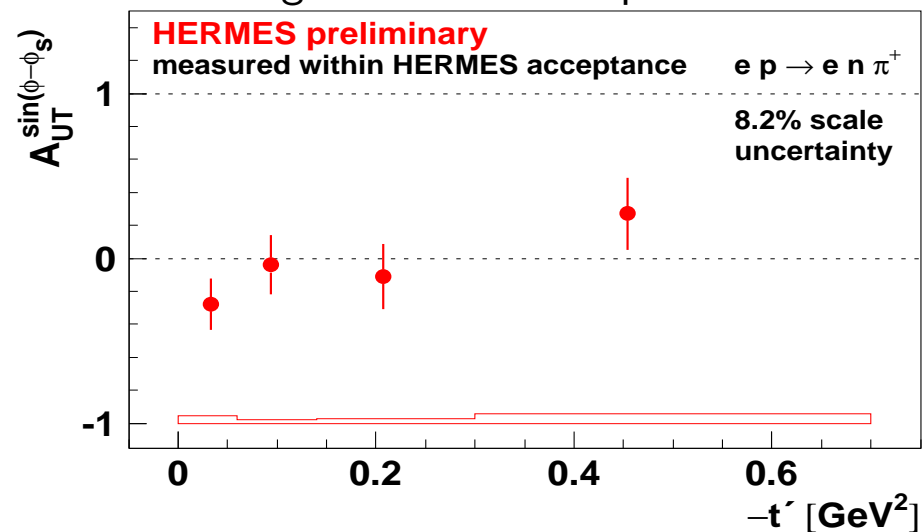
- Average kinematics:

$$\langle -t' \rangle = 0.18 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$\langle x_B \rangle = 0.13$$

$$\langle Q^2 \rangle = 2.38 \text{ GeV}^2$$

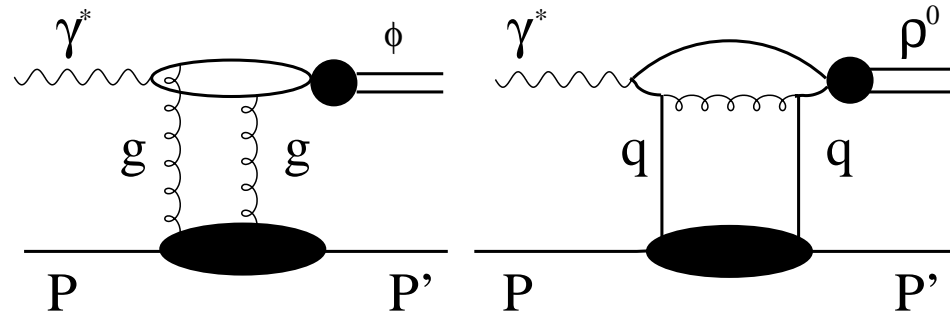
- small overall value for leading moment $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi_s)}$
- indication on the change of sign of leading moment in t' -dependence:



- unexpected large overall value for moment $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_s)} \approx 0.6$

Summary

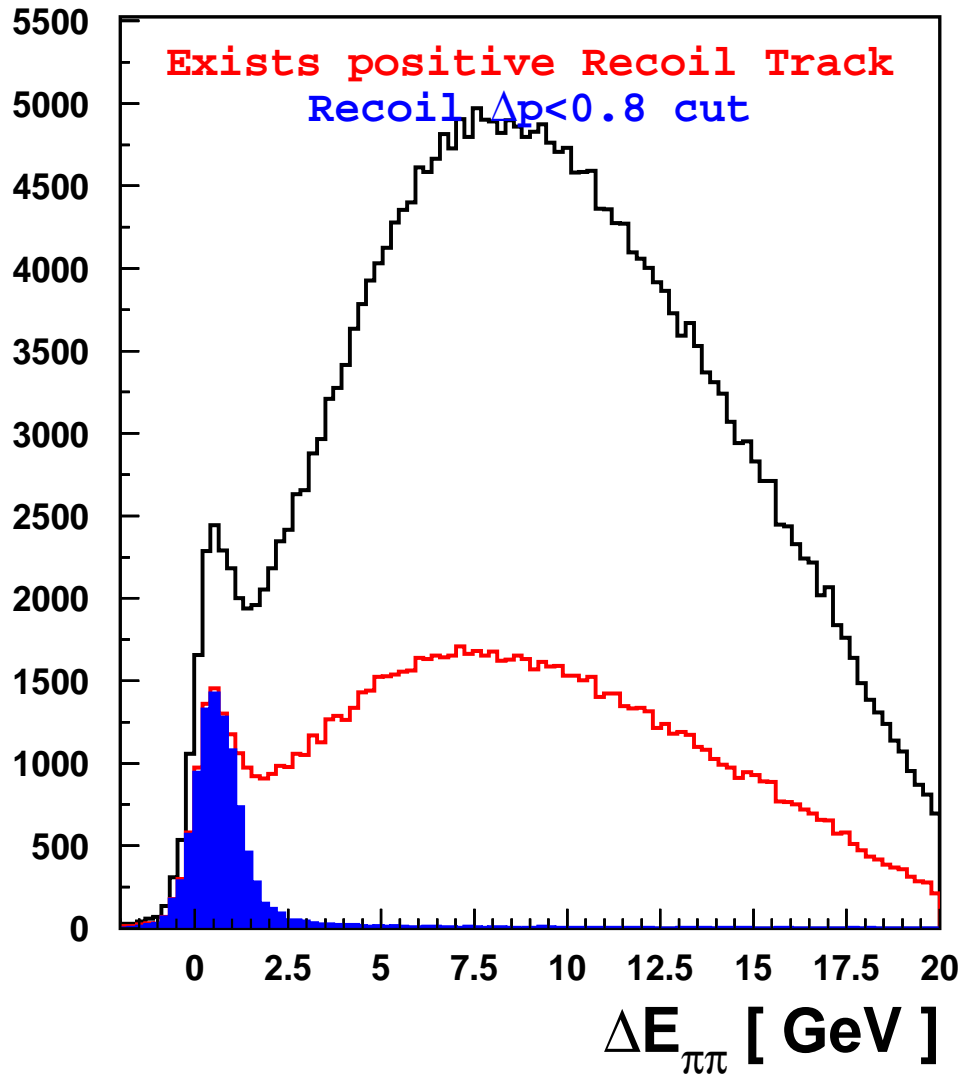
- HERMES data are unique due to the sensitivity to *both quark and two-gluon exchange processes* at sufficiently large W and Q^2 for the comparison with GPD handbag diagram based calculations:



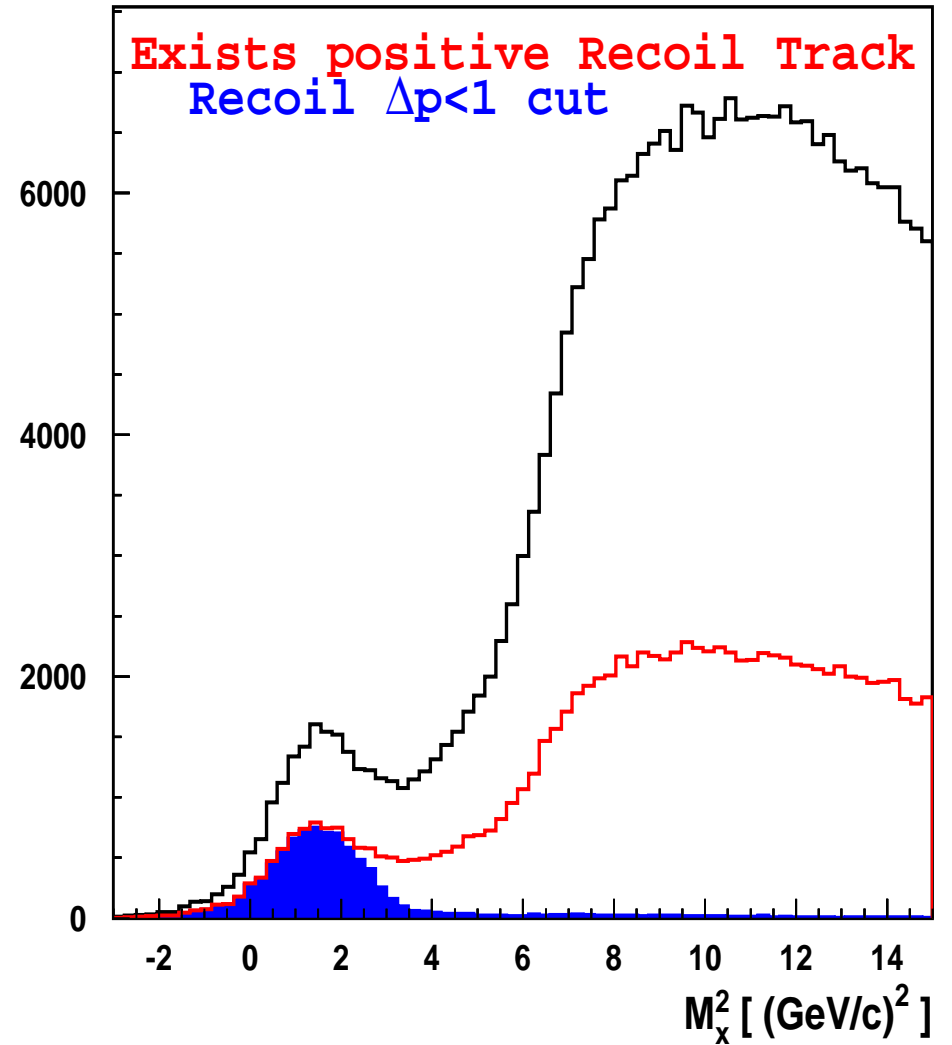
- First comprehensive comparison* of data on ρ^0 and ϕ meson production with GK model calculations is in fair agreement for:
 - longitudinal and total cross sections of ρ^0 and ϕ mesons
 - values of SDMEs and hierarchy of corresponding amplitudes
 - violation of SCHC in ρ^0 production
 - W -dependence of ρ^0 and ϕ SDMEs and σ_L/σ_T ratios
 - small values of transverse target polarization asymmetries
- Remaining points for the GPD based calculations are for:
 - *phase difference* in the interference of $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_L^0$ & $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_T^0$ transitions
 - $\tilde{H}_{val}^{u,d}$ contribution in Unnatural Parity Exchange amplitude
- Cross section of exclusive π^+ is in fair agreement with the calculations for lower t'
- t' -dependence of the π^+ transverse target polarization asymmetry can be supported by the calculations

Outlook. First Data from HERMES Spectrometer and Recoil Detector

Rho event candidates



DVCS event candidates



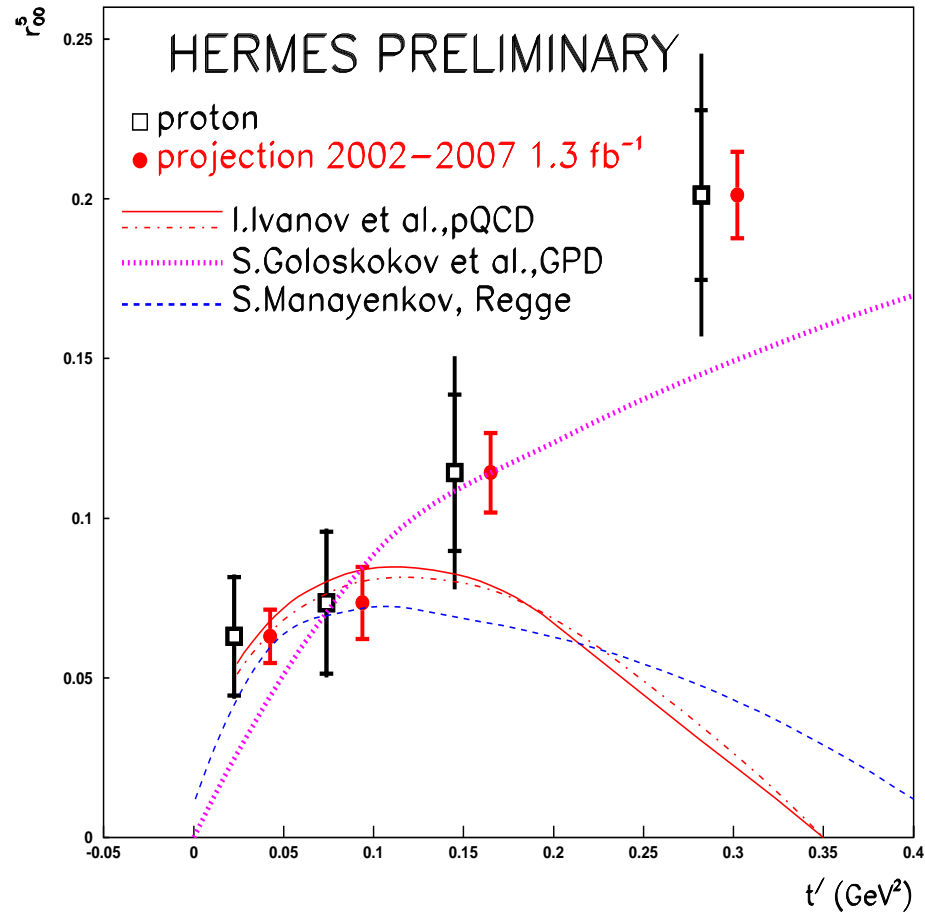
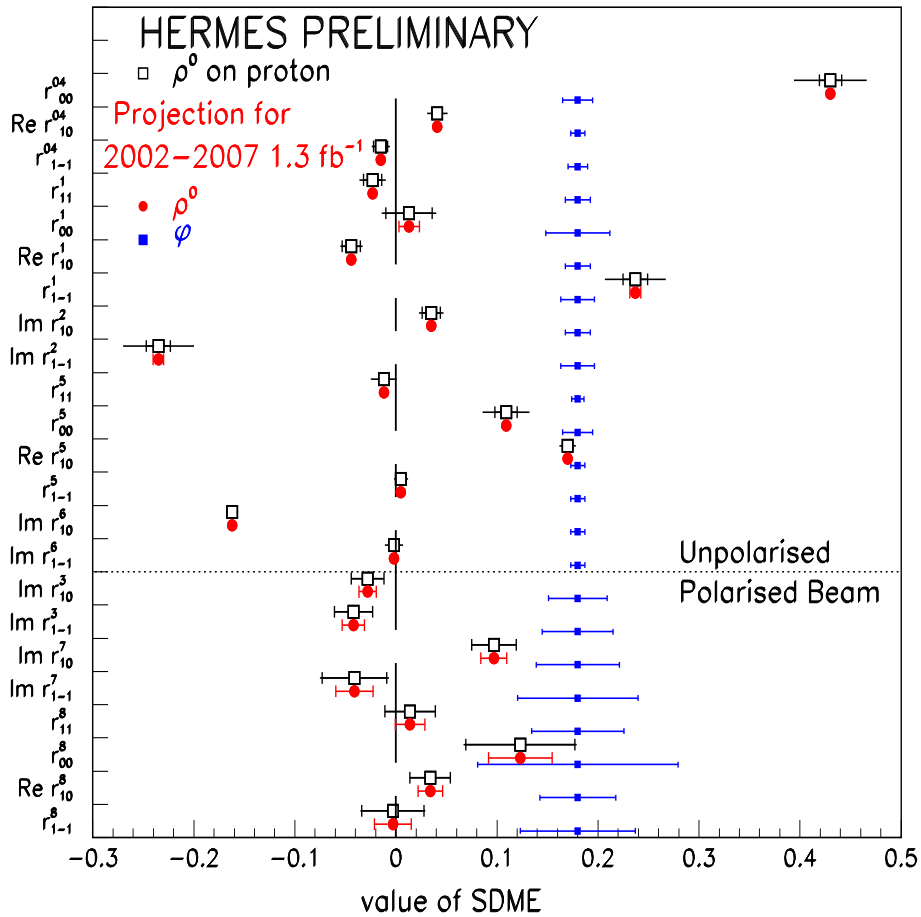
Black histogram - event candidates without Recoil Detector

$\Delta P = P_{meas}(p') - P_{calc}$, small ΔP (GeV) corresponds to the exclusive reactions

⇒ Subsample of data with detected p' contains significantly reduced background

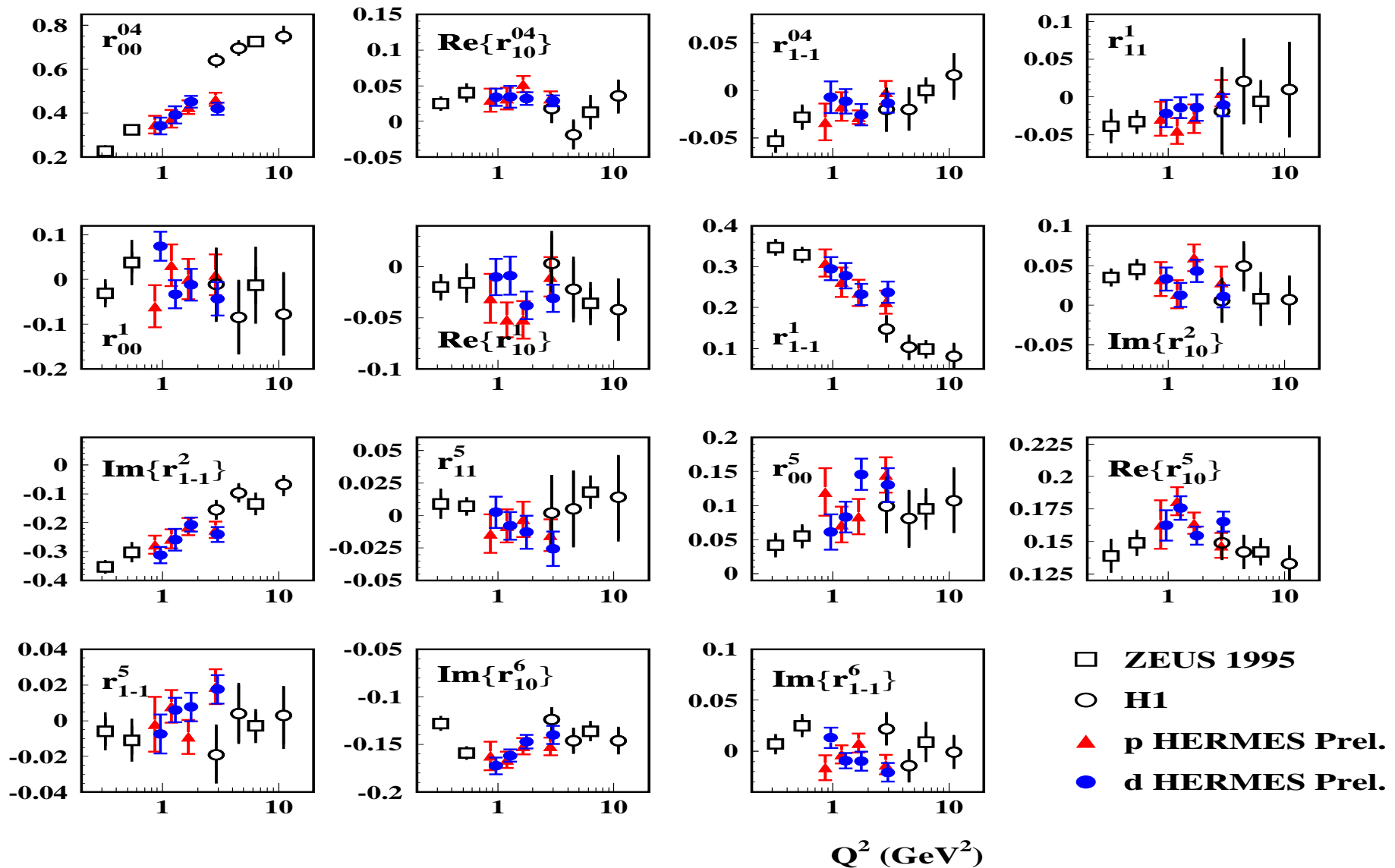
Outlook

Projections for ρ^0 and ϕ meson SDMEs for 2006-2007 data at $\mathcal{L} \sim 1.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ with detected p' :



⇒ Exclusive meson production with detected recoil proton is under study

Backup Slides: Q^2 -dependence of HERMES ρ^0 SDMEs at $W=5$ GeV on **proton and deuteron** compared with H1 and ZEUS Data at $W=75$ GeV

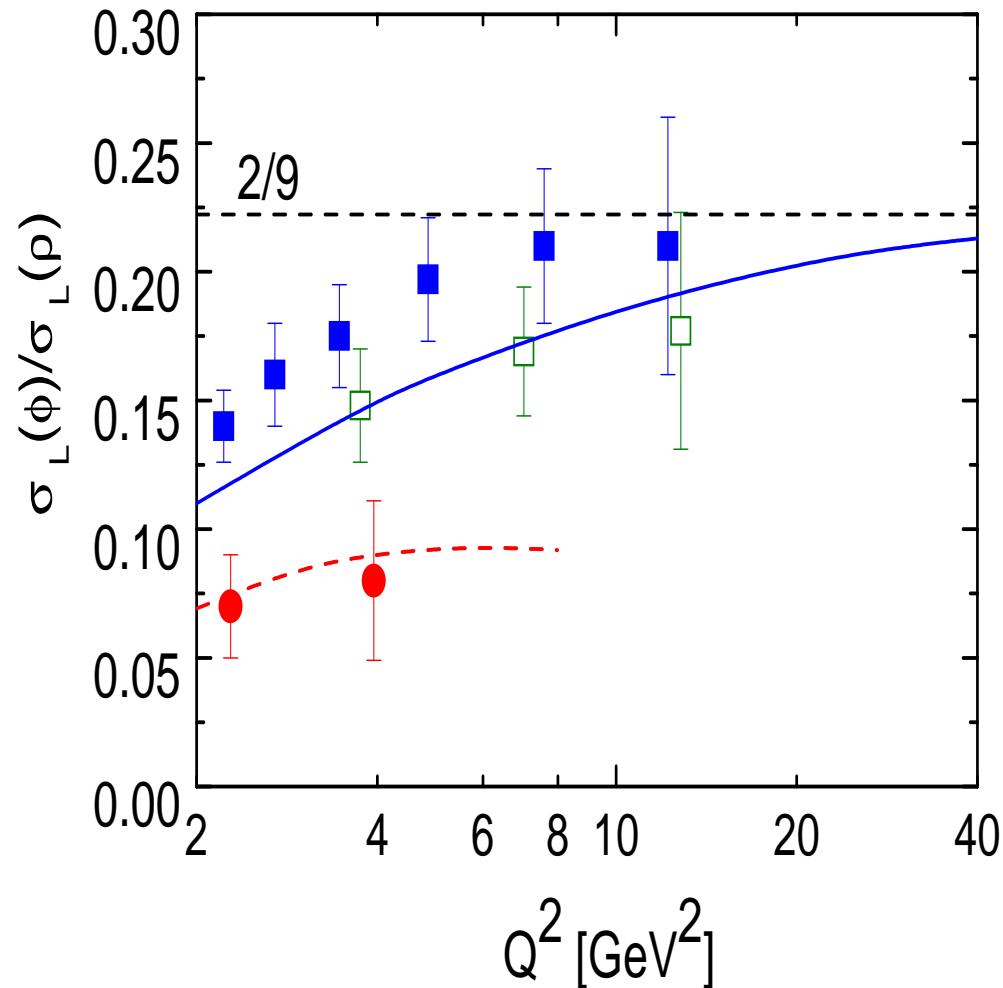


⇒ Several SDMEs indicate possible W -dependence, in addition to Q^2 -dependence

Backup Slides: Longitudinal Cross Section Ratios: $\sigma_{L(\phi)}/\sigma_{L(\rho^0)}$

Asymptotic SU(4) pQCD predicts: $\rho^0 : \omega : \phi : J/\Psi = 9 : 1 : 2 : 8$

S.V.Goloskokov,P.Kroll,Eur.Phys.J. C 42,2005



$W=75$ GeV, H1 (closed), ZEUS (open squares), $W=5$ GeV, HERMES PRELIMINARY (circles)

\Rightarrow Remarkable agreement of calculations with W -dep. of $\sigma_{L(\phi)}/\sigma_{L(\rho^0)}$ ratio