

The logo for the HERMES experiment, featuring a central blue circle with a blue arrow pointing upwards and a green and red winged figure (Hermes) emerging from the top right.

Selected recent **hermes** results
for hard exclusive processes

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Main topics covered in this talk:

- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)
- Exclusive Vector Meson (ρ , ω , ϕ) production
- Exclusive π^+ production
- Recoil Detector

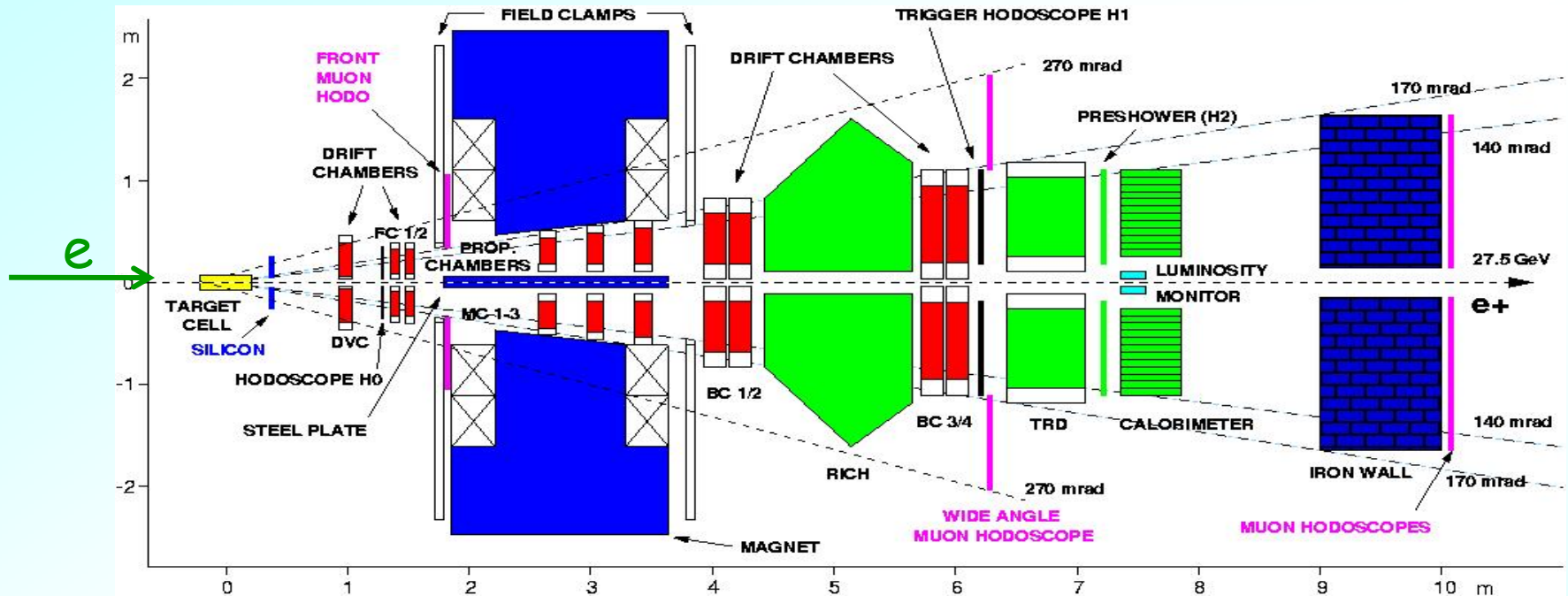
27.5 GeV e^+ / e^- beam of HERA



Internal gas targets

polarized : ^1H , ^1H \uparrow , ^2H , ^3He

unpolarized: ^1H , ^2H , ^3He ,
 ^4He , ^{14}N , ^{20}Ne , ^{84}Kr , ^{131}Xe



HERA longitudinally polarized 27.6 GeV e^+/e^- beam

Polarized and unpolarized internal gas target (spin flip every 90 s)

Kinematics: $0.02 < x < 0.7$, $1.0 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 15 \text{ GeV}^2$

Data taking: summer 1995 - June 30, 2007

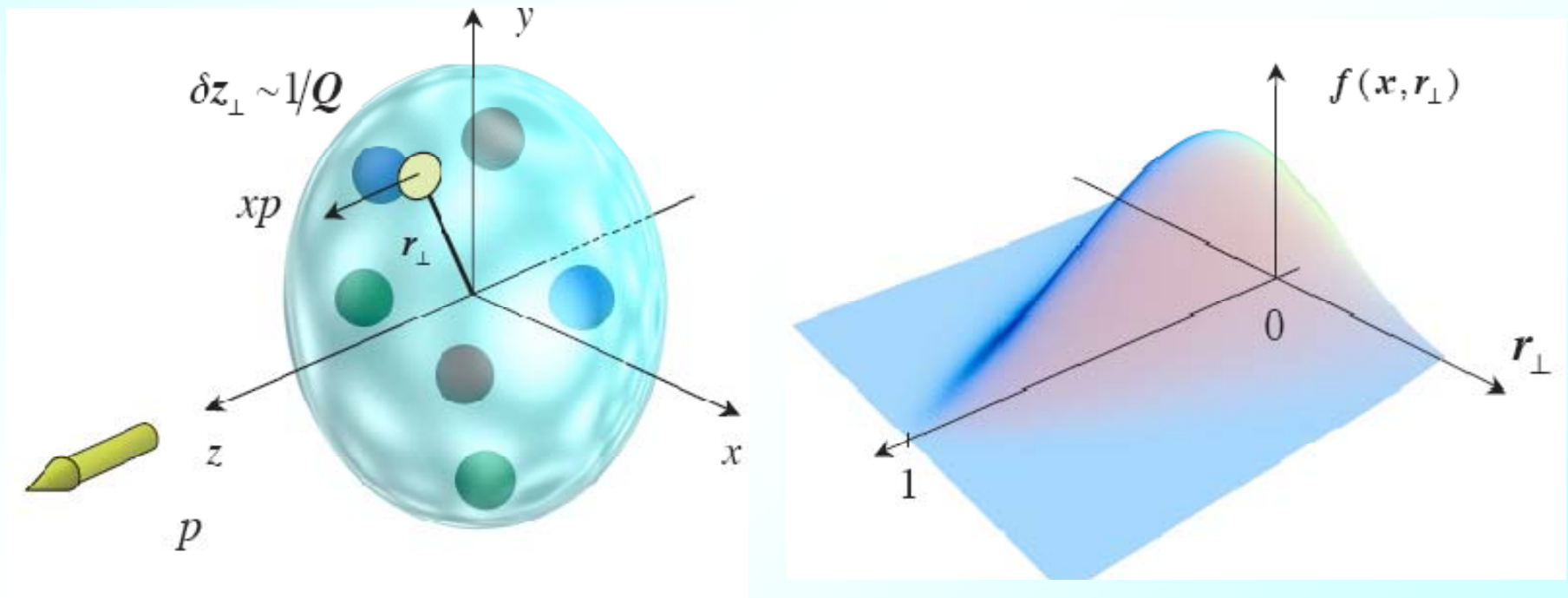
1995-2000: longitudinal target polarization, 2002-2005: transverse target pol.

2006-2007: unpolarized H, D targets + Recoil Detector

Generalised Parton Distributions (GPDs)

Generalisation of Form Factors (moments of GPDs) and PDFs (forward limit)

Generalised description of nucleon structure in 2+1 dim



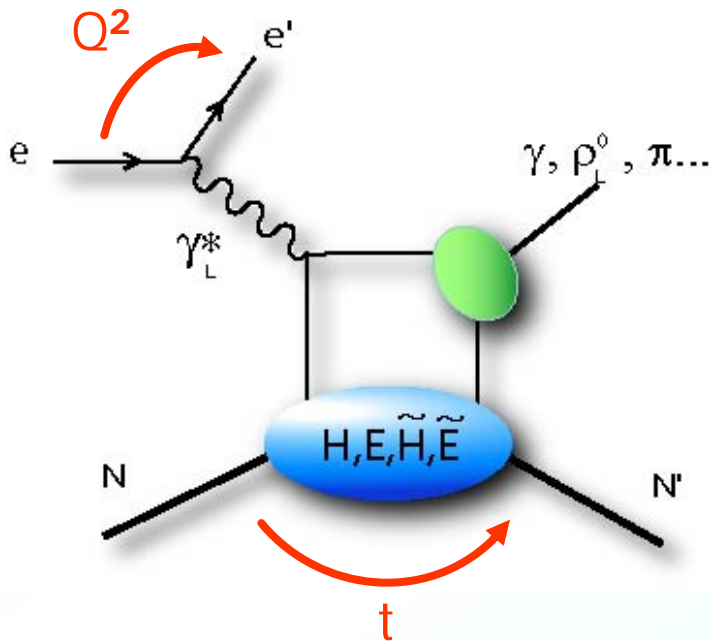
Number density of quarks with longitudinal momentum fraction x at radial position r_{\perp}

Ji relation:

$$J_q = 1/2 \Delta\Sigma + L_q = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_{-1}^1 dx x [H(x, \zeta, t) + E(x, \zeta, t)]$$

$H(x, \zeta, t), E(x, \zeta, t)$: Generalised Parton Distributions

Access: exclusive processes



Final state sensitive to different GPDs

Spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ target: 4 chiral-even leading-twist quark GPDs

$H, \tilde{H} (E, \tilde{E})$ conserve (flip) nucleon helicity

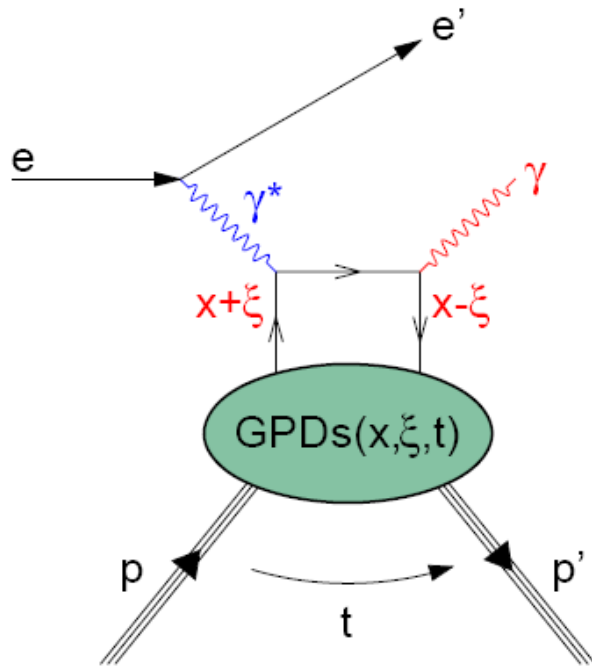
Vector mesons (ρ, ω, ϕ) H, E

Pseudoscalar mesons (π, η) \tilde{H}, \tilde{E}

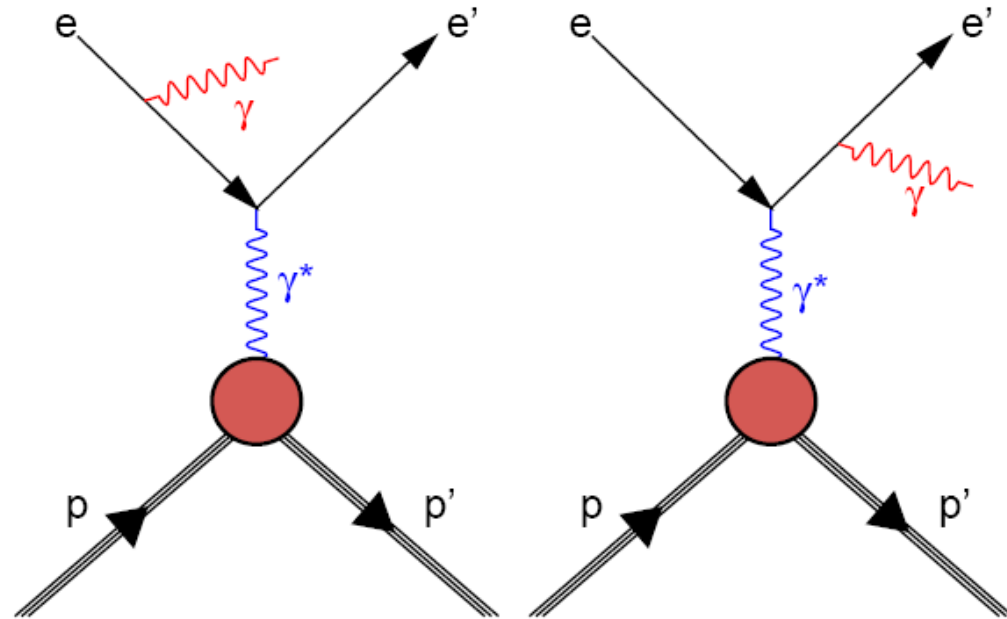
DVCS (γ) $H, E, \tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$

- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)
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DVCS



Bethe-Heitler (BH)



- * DVCS and BH: same initial and final state
- * BH dominates at HERMES kinematics
- * GPDs accessible through cross-section differences and azimuthal asymmetries via interference term

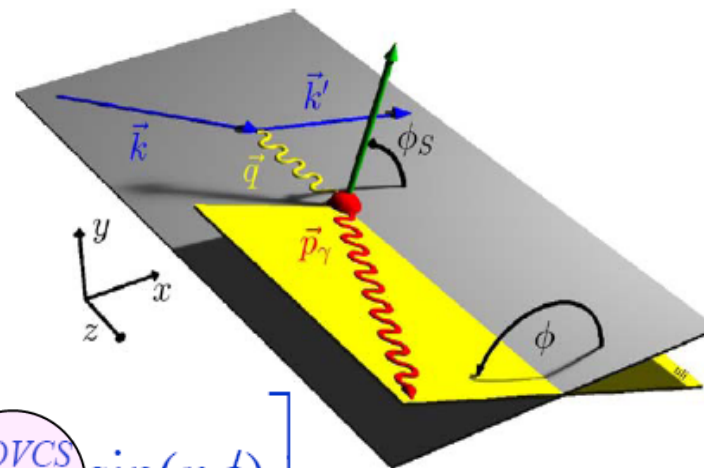
Example: unpolarised proton target

$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{dQ^2 dx_B dt d\phi} = \frac{y^2 x_B}{32(2\pi)^4 Q^4 \sqrt{1 + \frac{4M^2 x_B^2}{Q^2}}} (|T_{DVCS}|^2 + |T_{BH}|^2 + I)$$

$$|T_{BH}|^2 = \frac{K_{BH}}{\mathcal{P}_1(\phi)\mathcal{P}_2(\phi)} \sum_{n=0}^2 c_n^{BH} \cos(n\phi)$$

$$|T_{DVCS}|^2 = K_{DVCS} \left[\sum_{n=0}^2 c_n^{DVCS} \cos(n\phi) + P_B \sum_{n=1}^1 s_n^{DVCS} \sin(n\phi) \right]$$

$$I = \frac{-C_B K_I}{\mathcal{P}_1(\phi)\mathcal{P}_2(\phi)} K_{DVCS} \left[\sum_{n=0}^3 c_n^I \cos(n\phi) + P_B \sum_{n=1}^2 s_n^I \sin(n\phi) \right]$$



Azimuthal dependences in DVCS

Example: unpolarised proton target

- Cross section

$$\sigma_{LU}(\phi; P_B, C_B) = \sigma_{UU} [1 + \boxed{P_B} A_{LU}^{DVCS} + \boxed{C_B P_B} A_{LU}^I + \boxed{C_B} A_C]$$

- Beam-charge asymmetry

$$A_C(\phi) = \frac{(\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{+-}) - (\sigma^{-+} + \sigma^{--})}{(\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{+-}) + (\sigma^{-+} + \sigma^{--})} = -\frac{1}{D(\phi)} \frac{x_B^2}{y} \sum_{n=0}^3 \boxed{c_n^I} \cos(n\phi)$$

- Charge-difference beam-helicity asymmetry

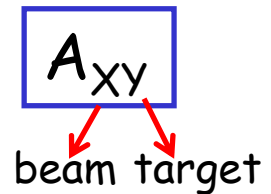
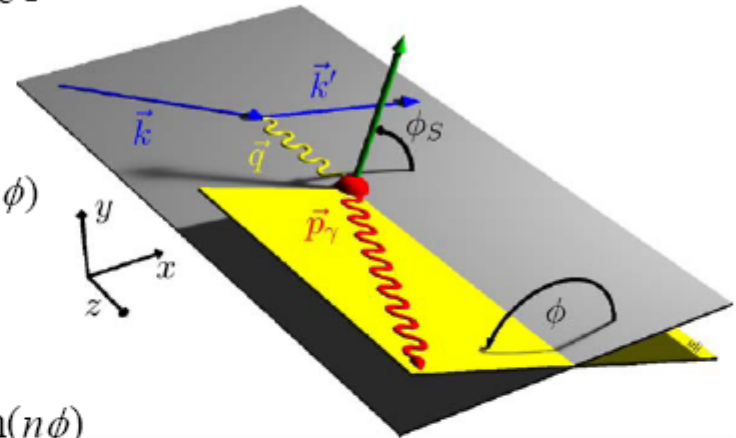
$$A_{LU}^I(\phi) = \frac{(\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{-+}) - (\sigma^{+-} + \sigma^{--})}{(\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{-+}) + (\sigma^{+-} + \sigma^{--})} = -\frac{1}{D(\phi)} \frac{x_B^2}{Q^2} \sum_{n=1}^2 \boxed{s_n^I} \sin(n\phi)$$

- Charge-averaged beam-helicity asymmetry

$$A_{LU}^{DVCS}(\phi) = \frac{(\sigma^{++} - \sigma^{+-}) - (\sigma^{-+} - \sigma^{--})}{(\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{+-}) + (\sigma^{-+} + \sigma^{--})} = \frac{1}{D(\phi)} \cdot \frac{x_B^2 t \mathcal{P}_1(\phi) \mathcal{P}_2(\phi)}{Q^2} \boxed{s_1^{DVCS}} \sin(\phi)$$

- Measurements of these beam-helicity asymmetries allow to separate contributions from DVCS and interference term

- This separation is impossible in measurements of single-charge beam-helicity asymmetry



$$A_{LU}(\phi) = \frac{\sigma^{\rightarrow} - \sigma^{\leftarrow}}{\sigma^{\rightarrow} + \sigma^{\leftarrow}}$$



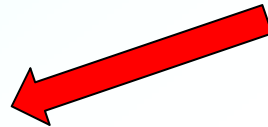
Azimuthal dependences in DVCS

See e.g.: A.V. Belitsky, D. Müller, A. Kirchner, Nucl. Phys. B 629 (2002) 323-392

Various azimuthal-asymmetry amplitudes



Fourier expansion in $\cos(n\phi)$ and $\sin(n\phi)$ terms



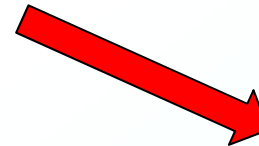
Compare to **GPD** models



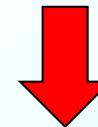
Improve **GPD** models



GPDs



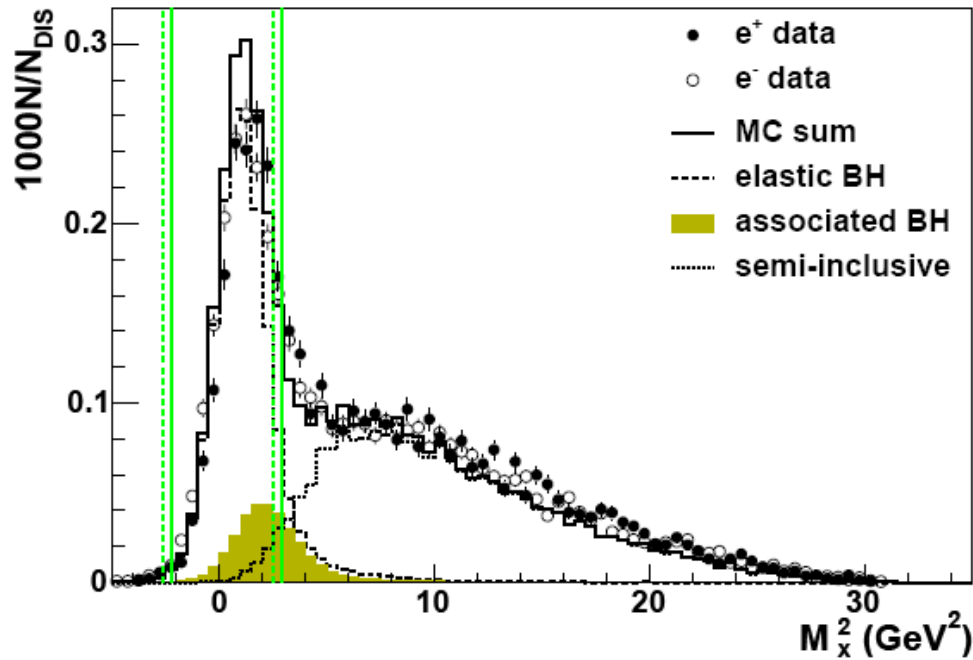
Extract **Compton Form Factors**



GPDs

Rather complete measurement of amplitudes in $eN \rightarrow e'N \gamma$ possible at HERMES:

- Both beam charges
- Longitudinal beam polarisation (both helicities)
- Unpolarised H, D and nuclear targets
- Longitudinally polarised H and D targets
- Transversely polarised H target
- Recoil Detector



Kinematic requirements

$$0.03 < x_B < 0.35$$

$$1 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 10 \text{ GeV}^2$$

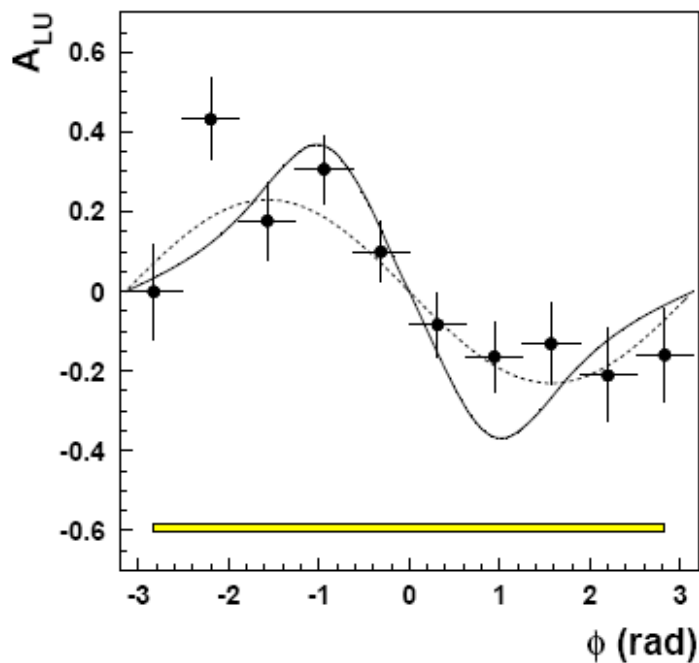
$$-t < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$E_Y > 5 \text{ GeV}$$

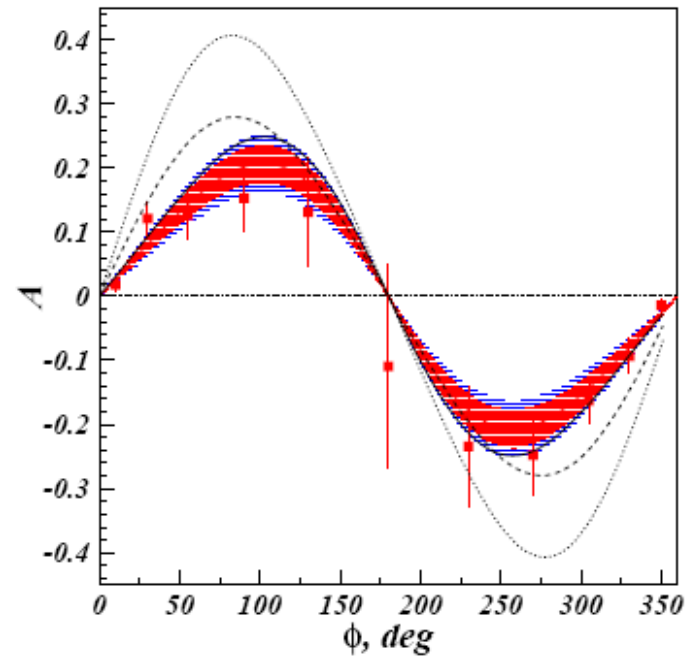
- * Identification by missing mass technique
- * Semi-inclusive corrected as dilution for charge-dependent asymmetries
For pure DVCS term asymmetry extracted from π^0 ($z > 0.8$) data
- * Associated BH $ep \rightarrow e'\Delta\gamma \approx 12\%$ (with unknown asymmetry)
stays part of the signal

First result (2001): Beam-spin asymmetry

HERMES, PRL 87 (2001) 182001



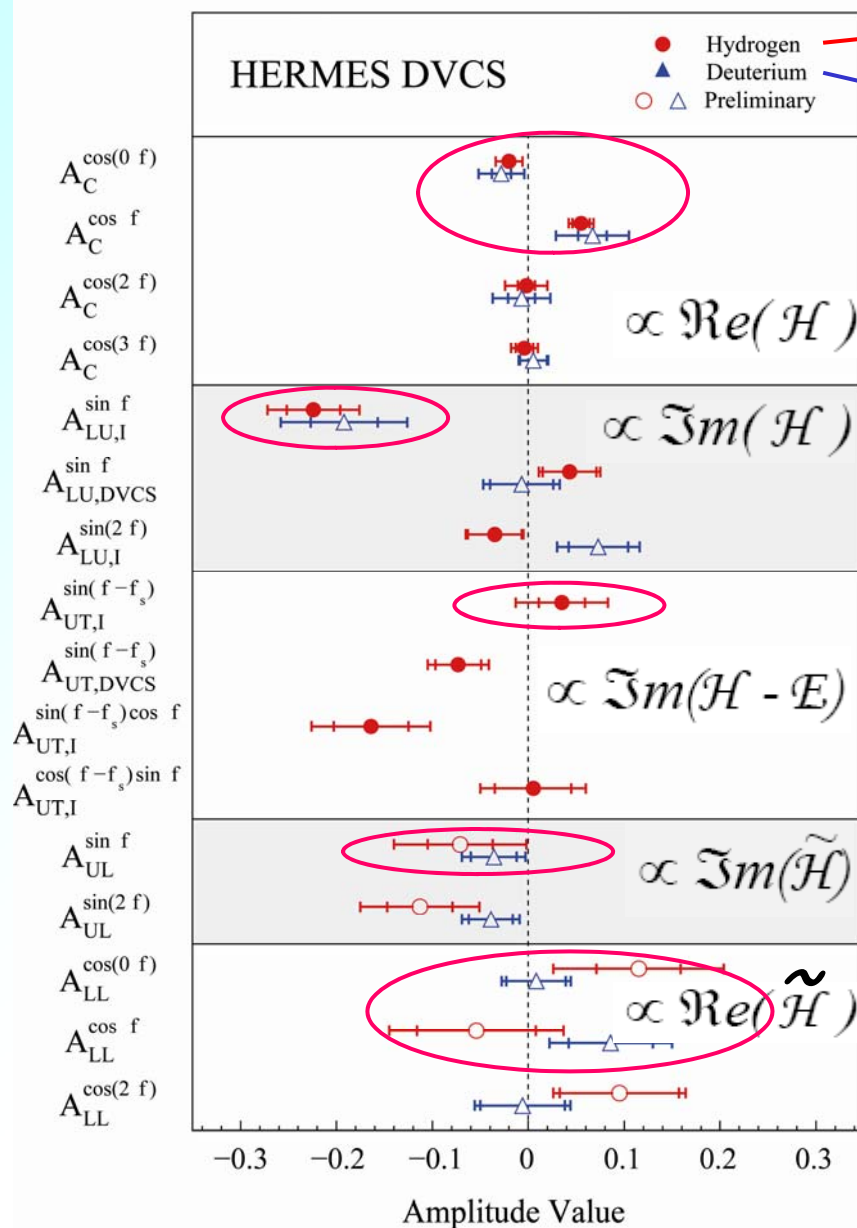
CLAS, PRL 87 (2001) 182002



Now: Simultaneous maximum likelihood fit
of all relevant amplitudes



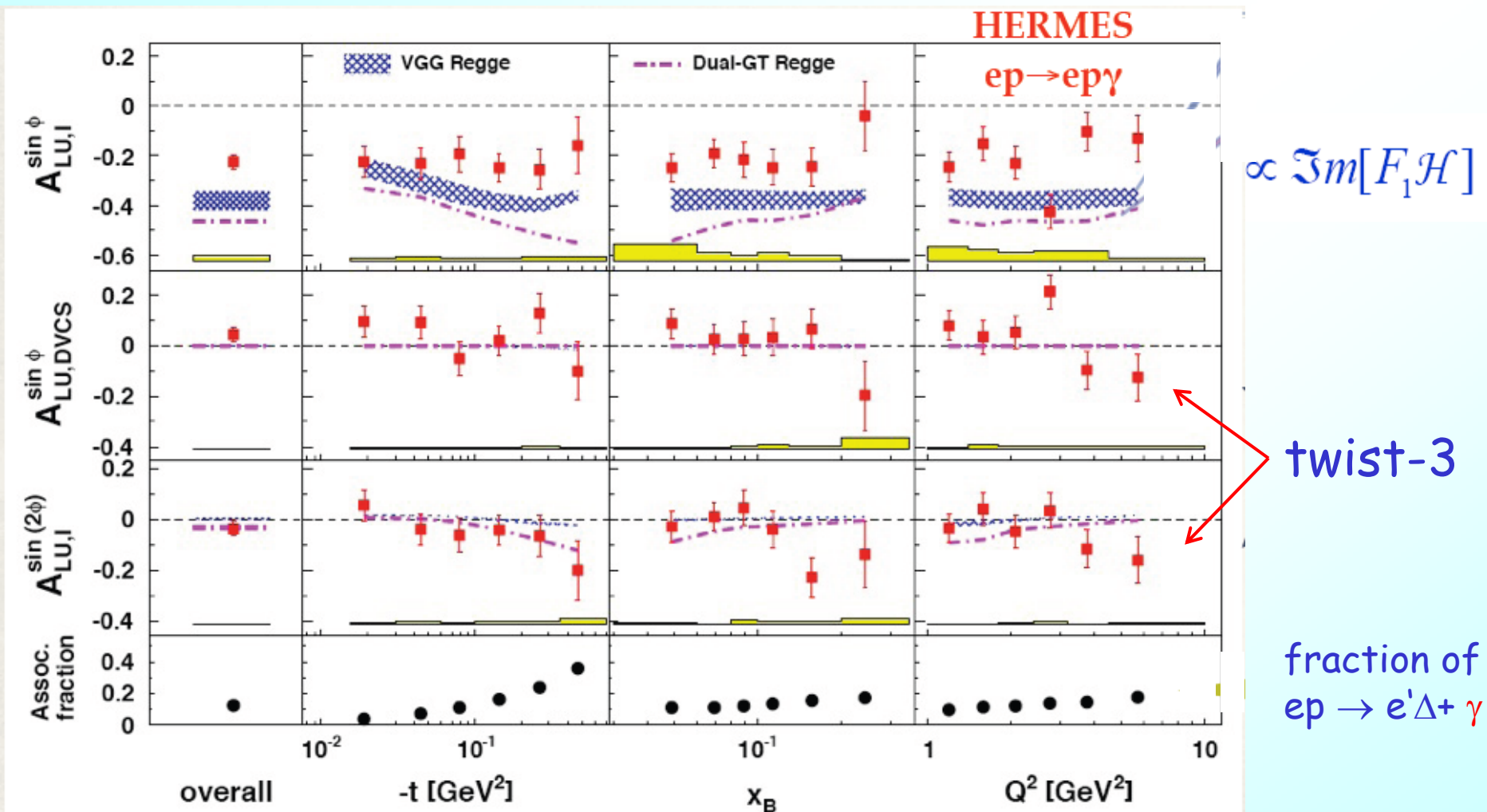
DVCS asymmetries measured @ HERMES



acc. by JHEP, arXiv:0909.3587
 subm. to NP B, arXiv:0911.0095

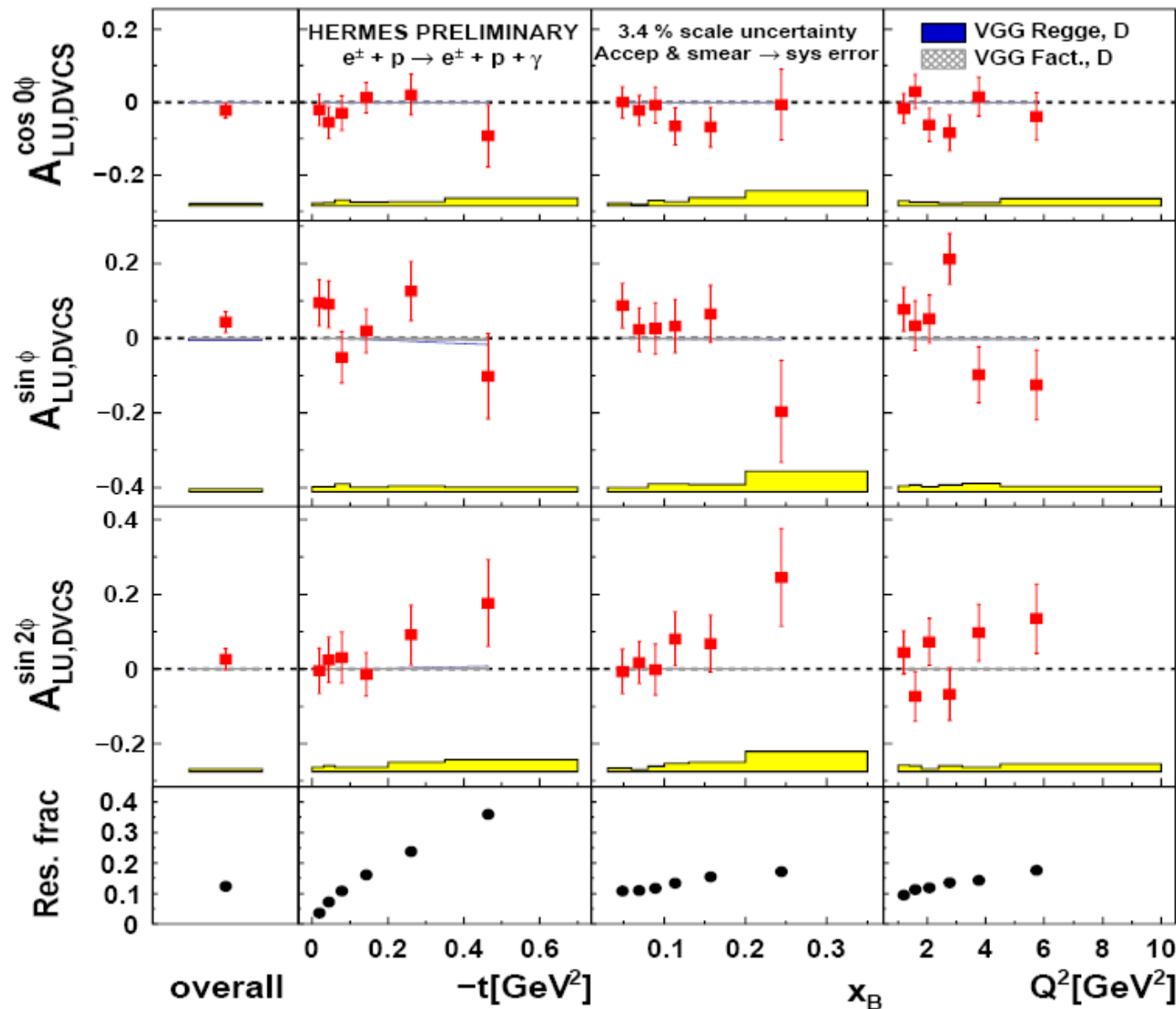
- Beam charge asymmetry
GPD H
- Beam helicity asymmetry
GPD H
- Transverse target spin asymmetry
JHEP 06 (2008) 066, arXiv:0802.2499
GPD E
- Longitudinal target spin asymmetry
GPD \tilde{H} (in preparation)
- Double spin asymmetry
GPD \tilde{H} (in preparation)

arXiv:0909.3587



VGG: Phys. Rev D 60 (1999) 4017, Prog. Nucl. Part. Phys. 42 (2001) 401

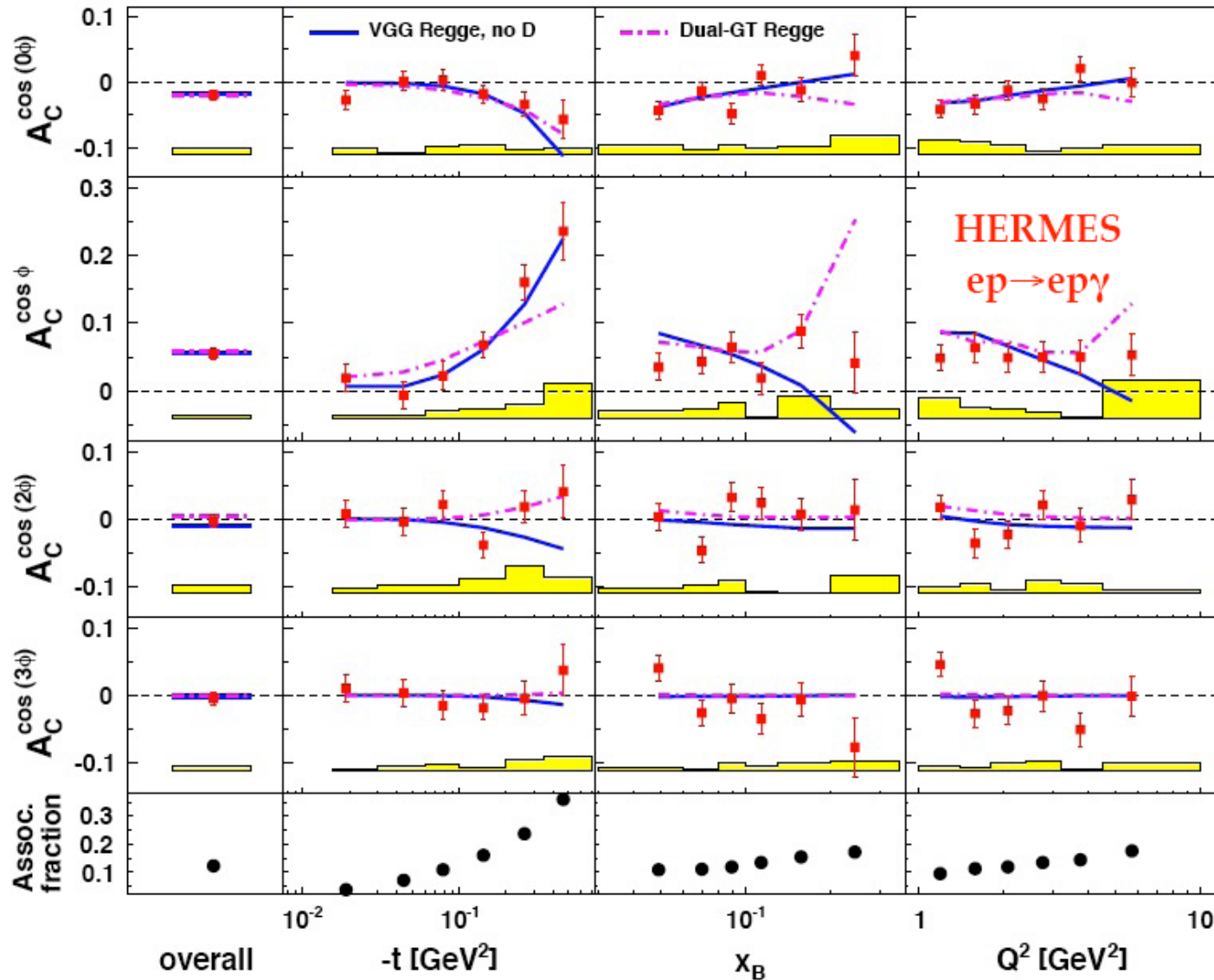
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$$\propto [HH^* + \widetilde{H}\widetilde{H}^*]$$

← Resonance fraction
 $ep \rightarrow e\Delta^+\gamma$

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$$\propto -A_C^{\cos \phi}$$

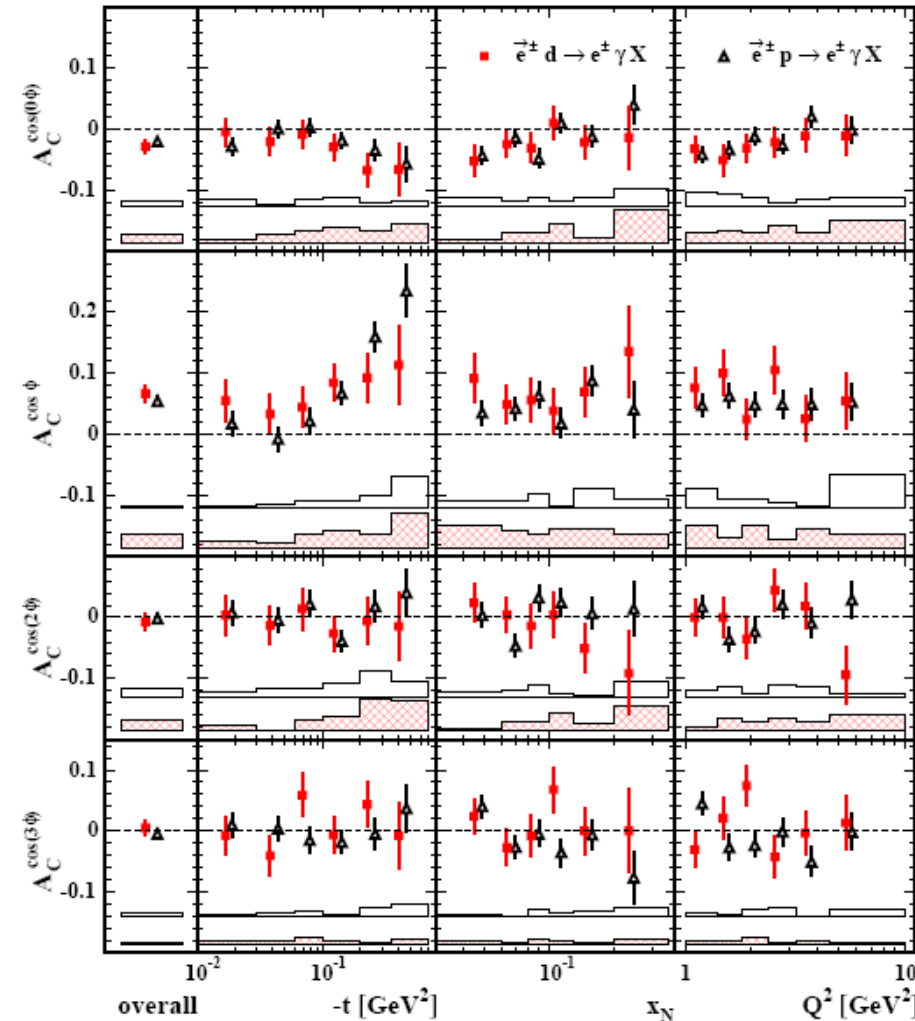
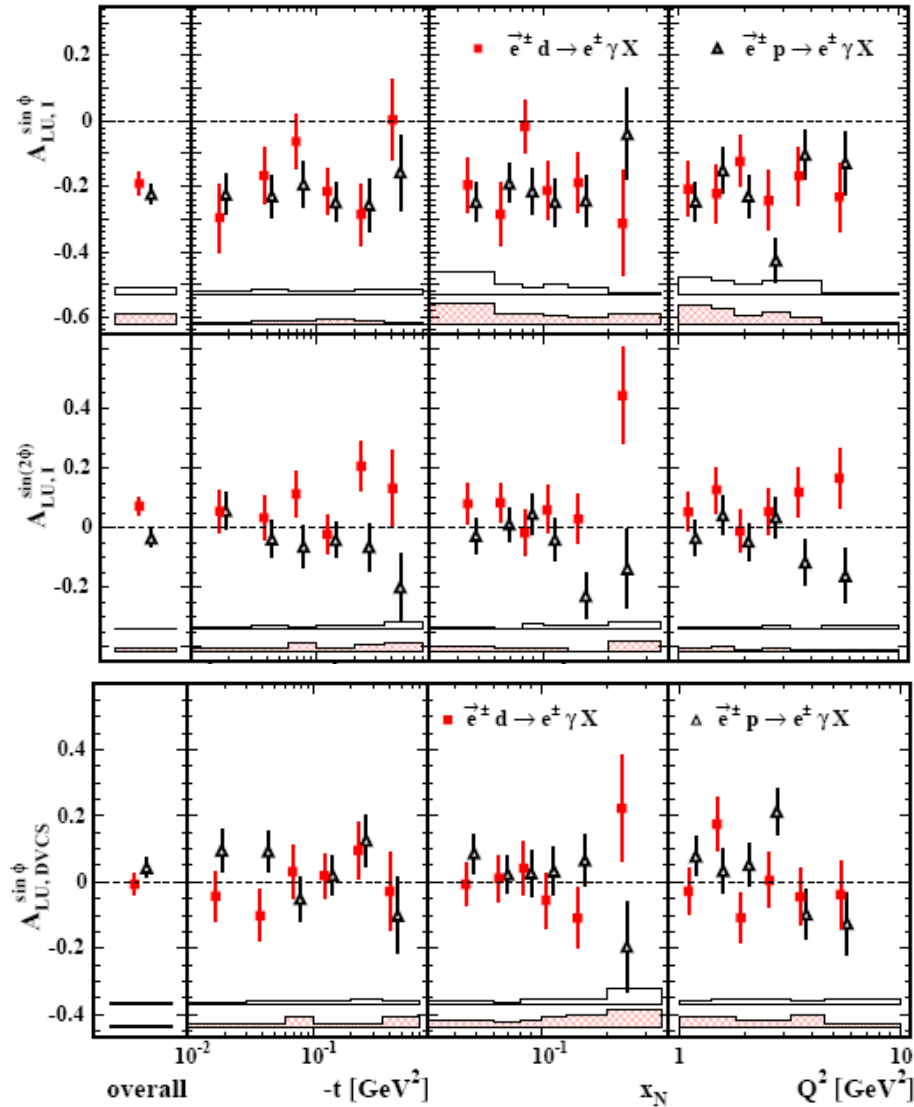
$$\propto \text{Re}[F_1 \mathcal{H}]$$

← Higher twist

← Gluon leading twist

← Resonance fraction

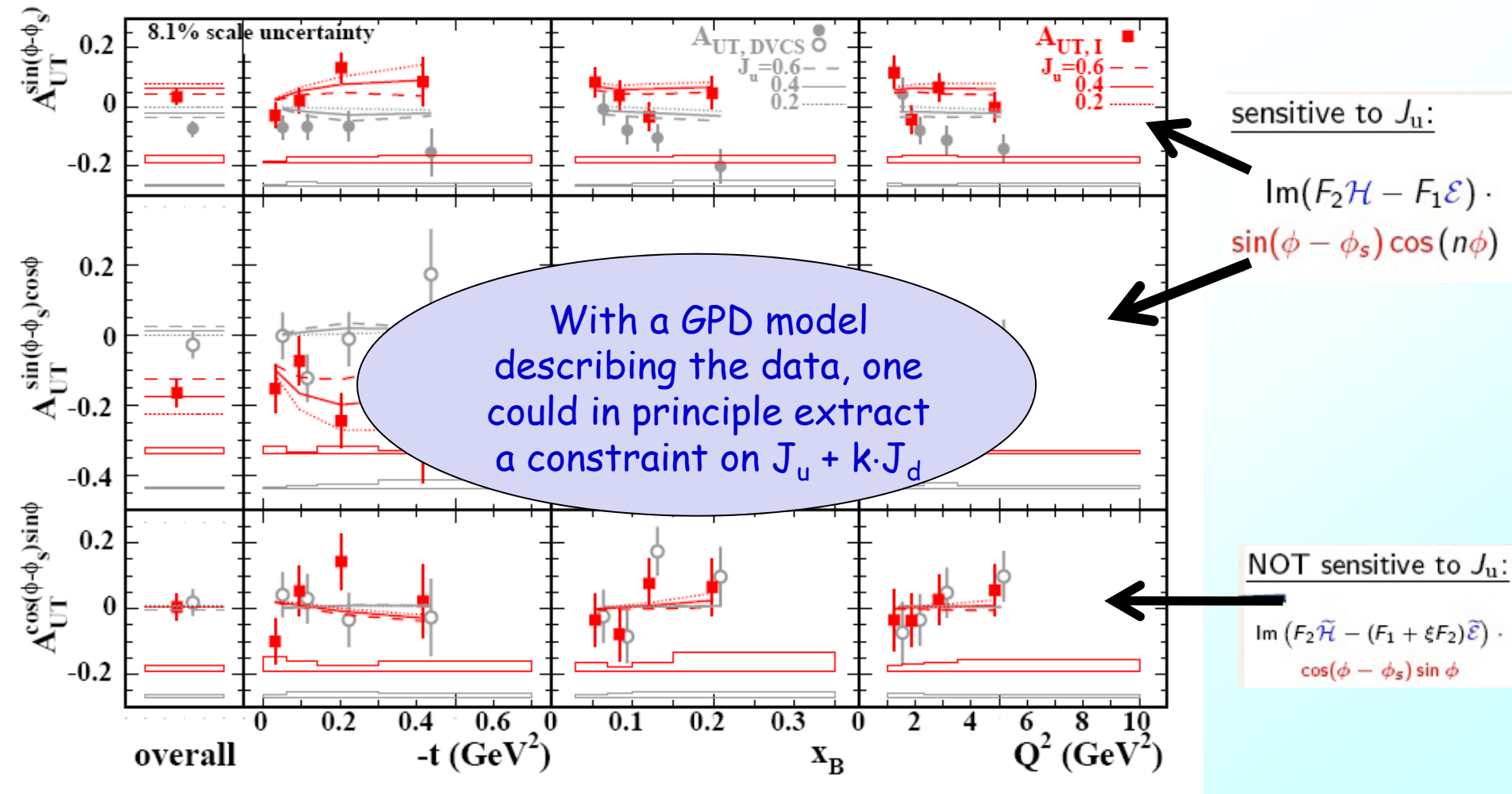
$$ep \rightarrow e\Delta^+\gamma$$



Proton and deuteron data are compatible for all leading amplitudes

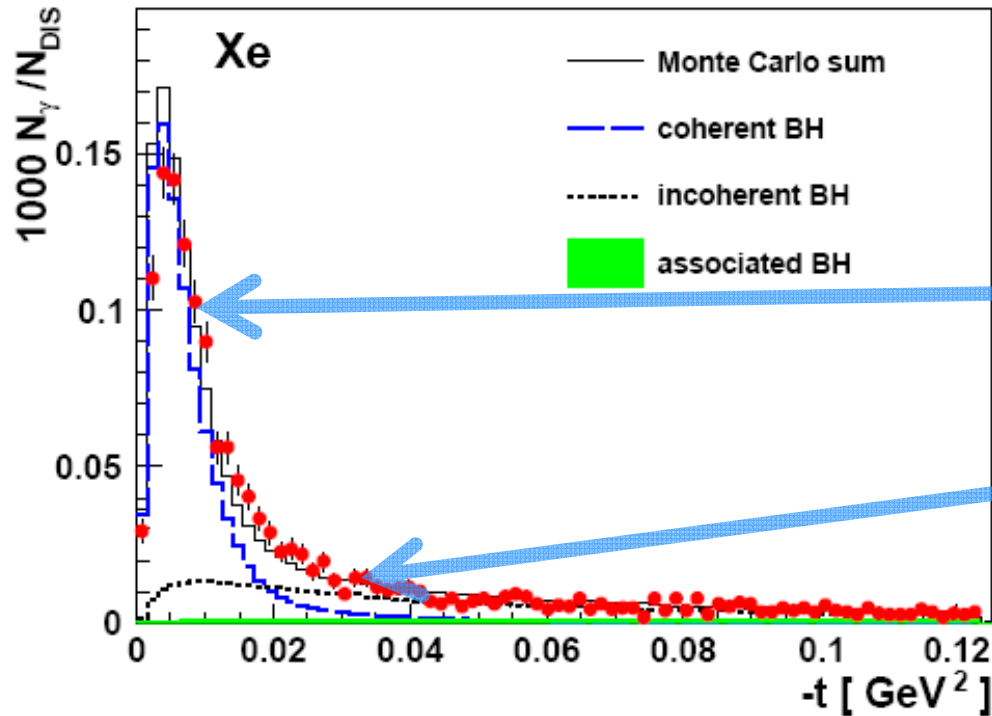
Sensitive to **GPD E**

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Model: VGG with variation of J_u , while $J_d=0$

arXiv:0911.0091



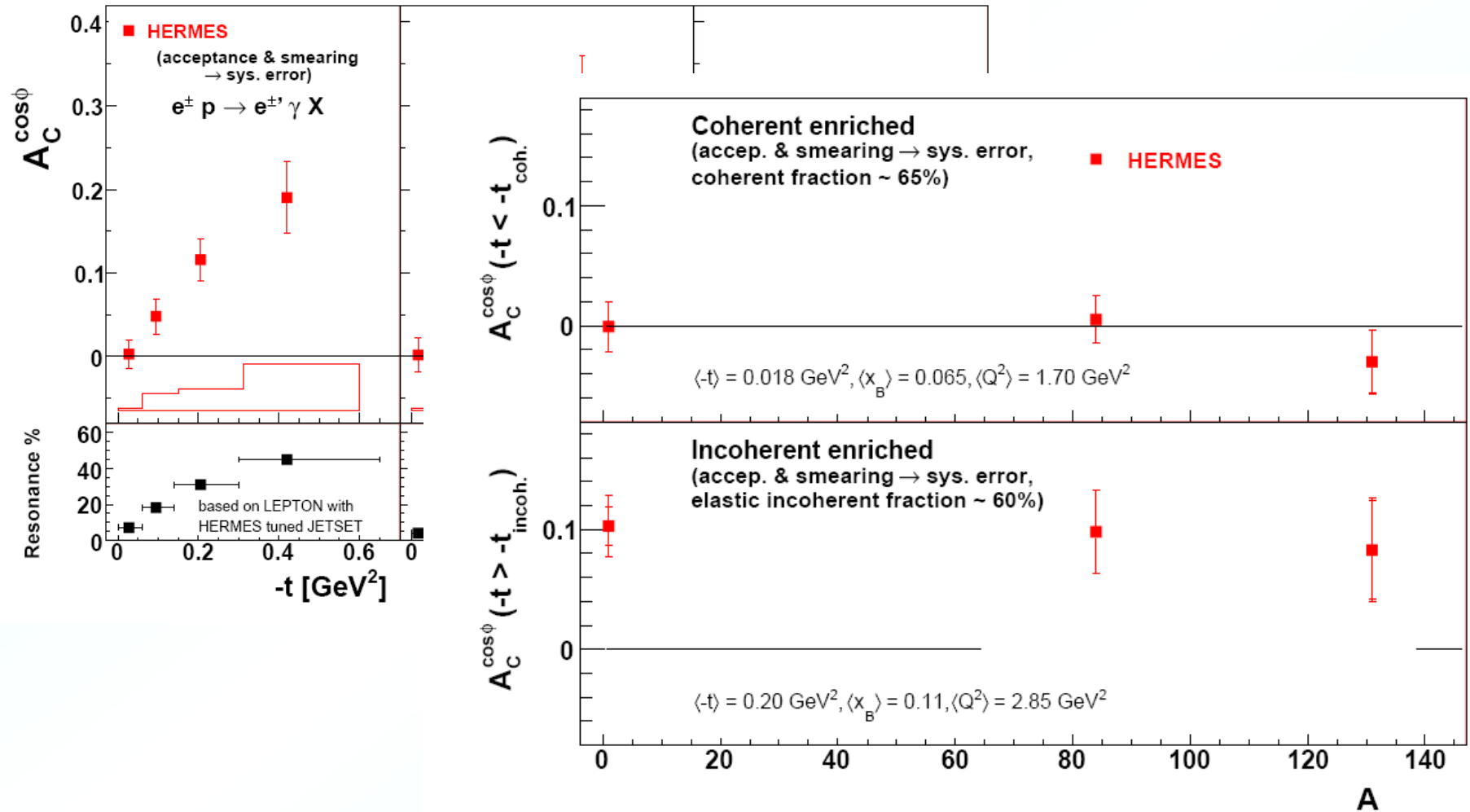
Select for each target
2 samples

■ coherent enriched (low t)
 ≈ 65 % coherent fraction

■ incoherent enriched (high t)
 ≈ 65 % incoherent fraction

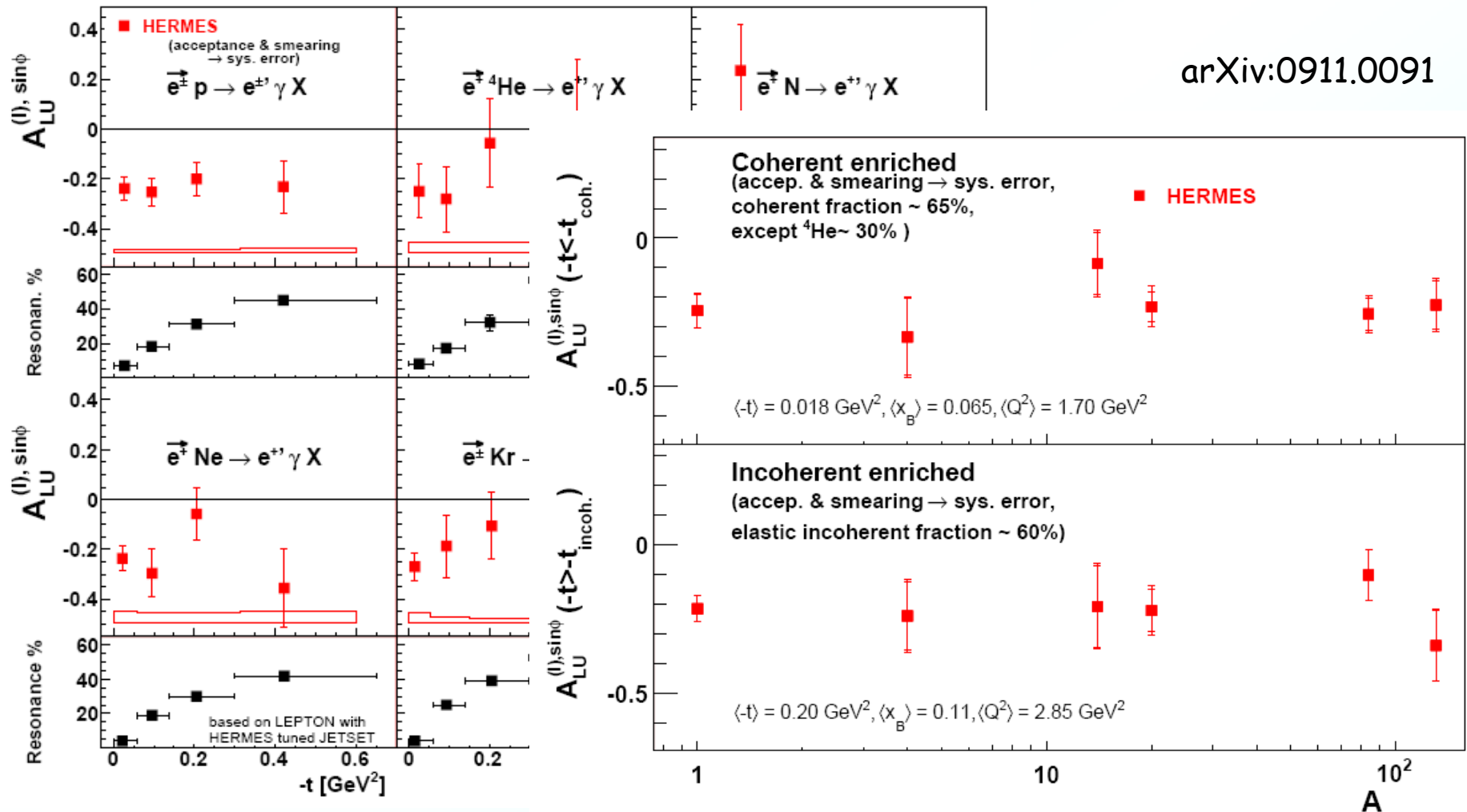
Targets: H, He, N, Ne, Kr, Xe

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No enhancement of nuclear asymmetries visible!!!

$$H, Kr, Xe: A_{LU}^I(\phi) = \frac{(\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{--}) - (\sigma^{+-} + \sigma^{-+})}{(\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{--}) + (\sigma^{+-} + \sigma^{-+})} \quad {}^4He, N, Ne: A_{LU}^I(\phi) = \frac{\sigma^{\rightarrow} - \sigma^{\leftarrow}}{\sigma^{\rightarrow} + \sigma^{\leftarrow}}$$



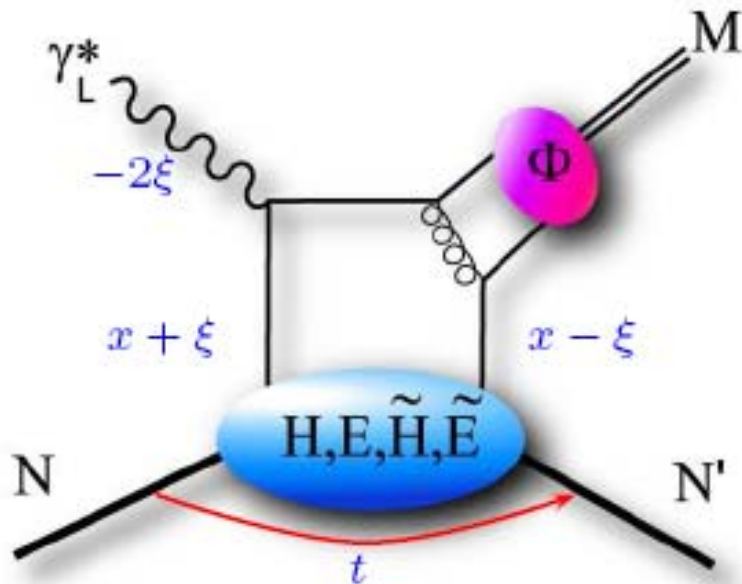
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modified perturbative approach

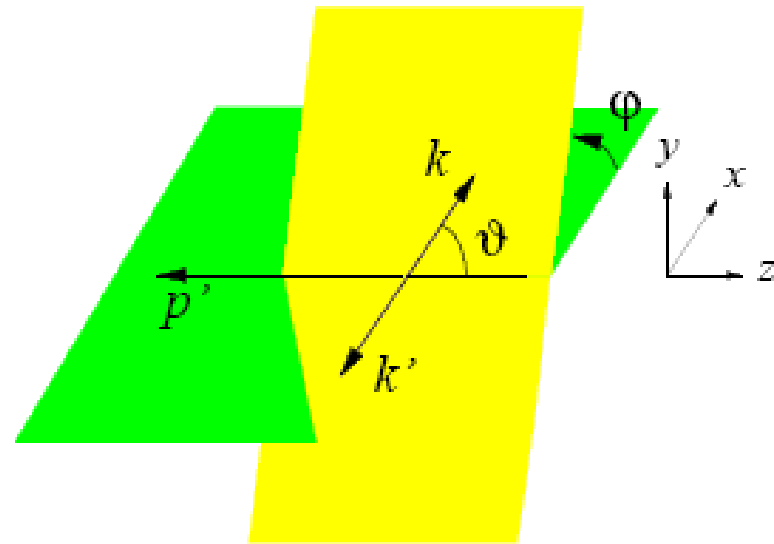
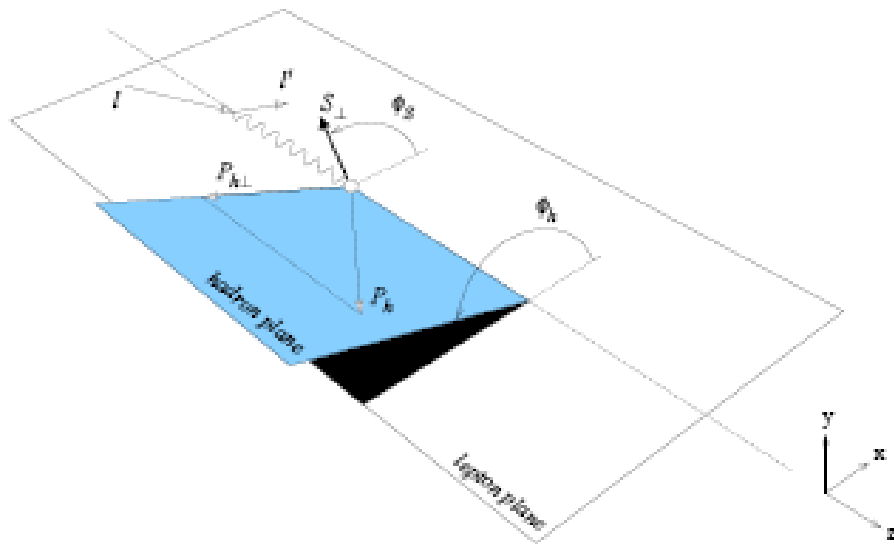
-Goloskokov, Kroll (2006)-

$$\mathcal{A} \propto F(x, \xi, t; \mu^2) \otimes K(x, \xi, z; \log(Q^2/\mu^2)) \otimes \Phi(z, k_{\perp}; \mu^2)$$



- * Factorisation for σ_L only
- * $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_L, \omega_L, \phi_L$: GPDs H, E
- * $\sigma_L - \sigma_T$ suppressed by $1/Q$
- * σ_T suppressed by $1/Q^2$
- * $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_T^0$: contr. from \tilde{H}, \tilde{E}

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_B dQ^2 dt d\phi_s d\phi d\cos\vartheta d\varphi} \sim \frac{d\sigma}{dx_B dQ^2 dt} W(x_B, Q^2, t, \phi_s, \phi, \cos\vartheta, \varphi)$$



Production and decay angular distributions decomposed:

$$W = W_{UU} + P_L W_{LU} + S_L W_{UL} + P_L S_L W_{LL} + S_T W_{UT} + P_L S_T W_{LT}$$

W_{XY}

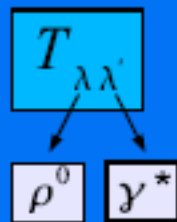
beam: P_L

target: S_L, S_T

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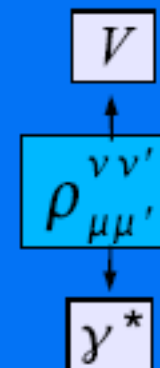
parametrized by helicity amplitudes $T_{\lambda\lambda'}$ or $T_{\mu\lambda}^{\nu\sigma}$:
 -Schilling, Wolf (1973)-



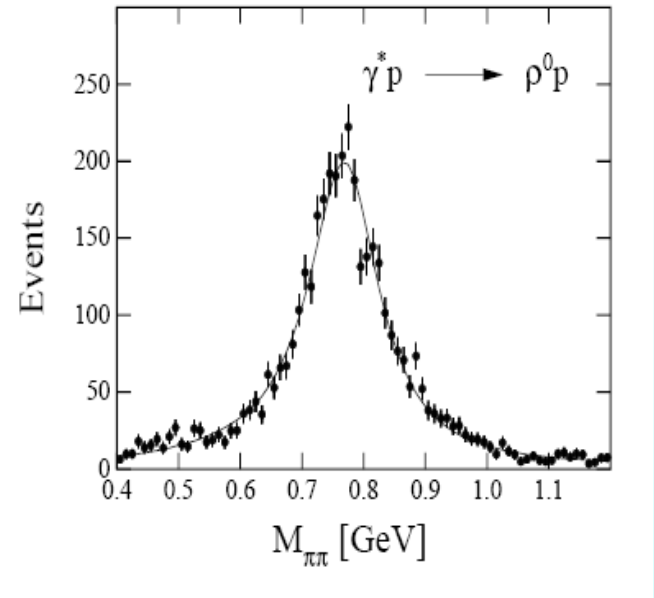
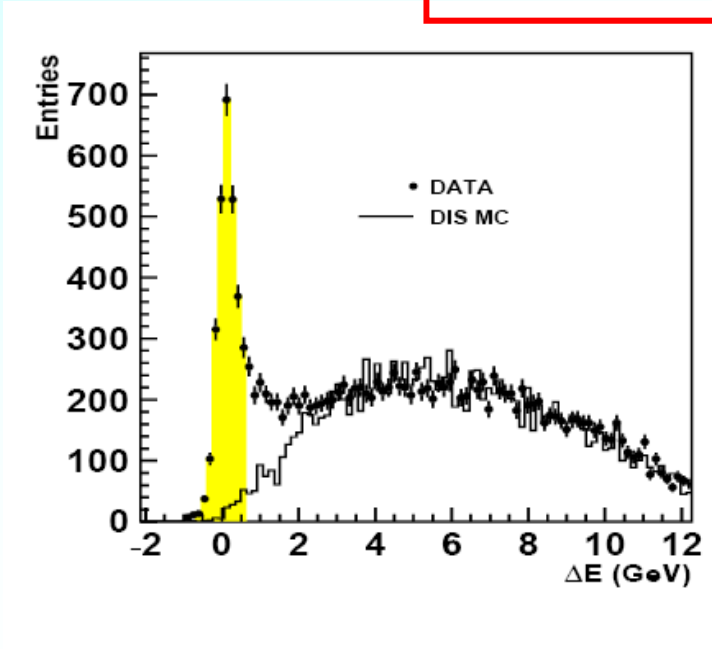
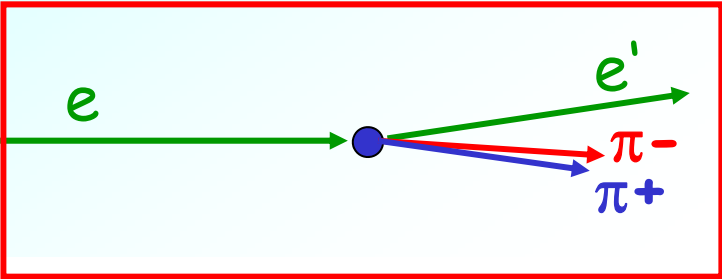
-Diehl notation (2007)-



or alternatively by spin-density matrix elements (SDMEs):



$$e p \rightarrow e' \rho^0 p$$



$$\Delta E = (M_X^2 - M_p^2) / 2M_p$$

Background subtraction with PYTHIA

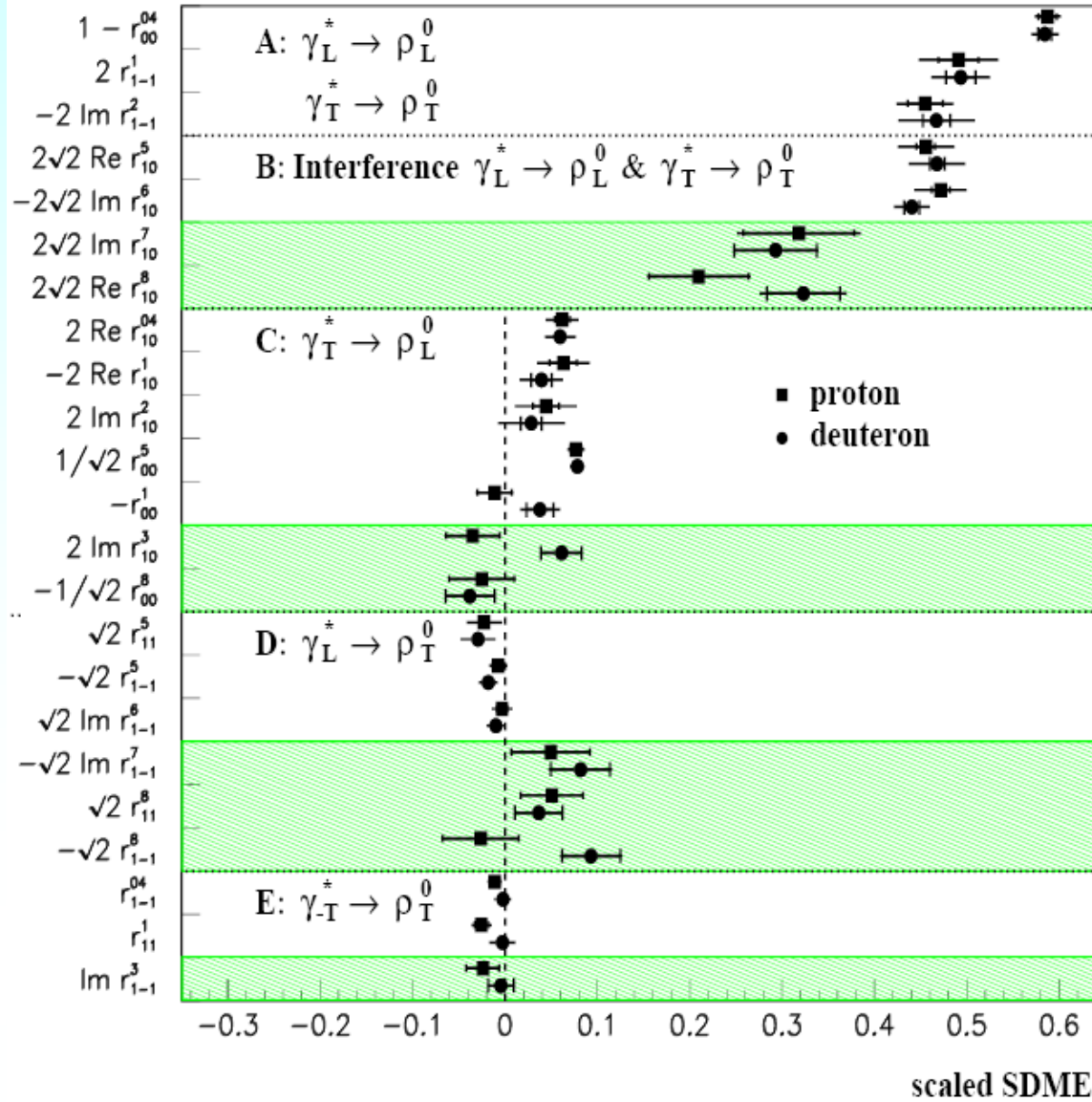
$$\langle Q^2 \rangle = 2.3 \text{ GeV}^2, \langle W \rangle = 4.9 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\langle X_B \rangle = 0.07, \langle -t \rangle = 0.13 \text{ GeV}^2$$



Unpolarised ρ^0 SDMEs - $W_{(L,U)U}$

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23 SDMEs

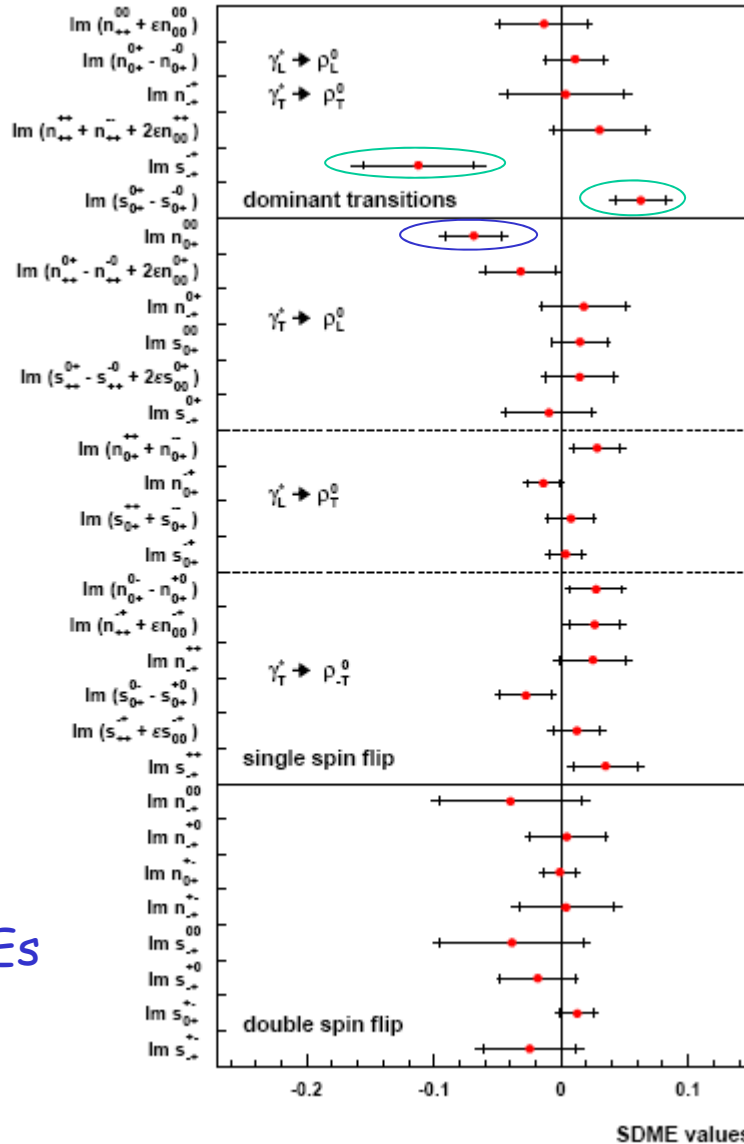
Hierarchy of ρ_0 amplitudes: $|T_{00}|^2 \sim |T_{11}|^2 \gg |T_{01}|^2 \gg |T_{10}|^2 \sim |T_{1-1}|^2$ ($0 \rightarrow L, 1 \rightarrow T$)₂₈

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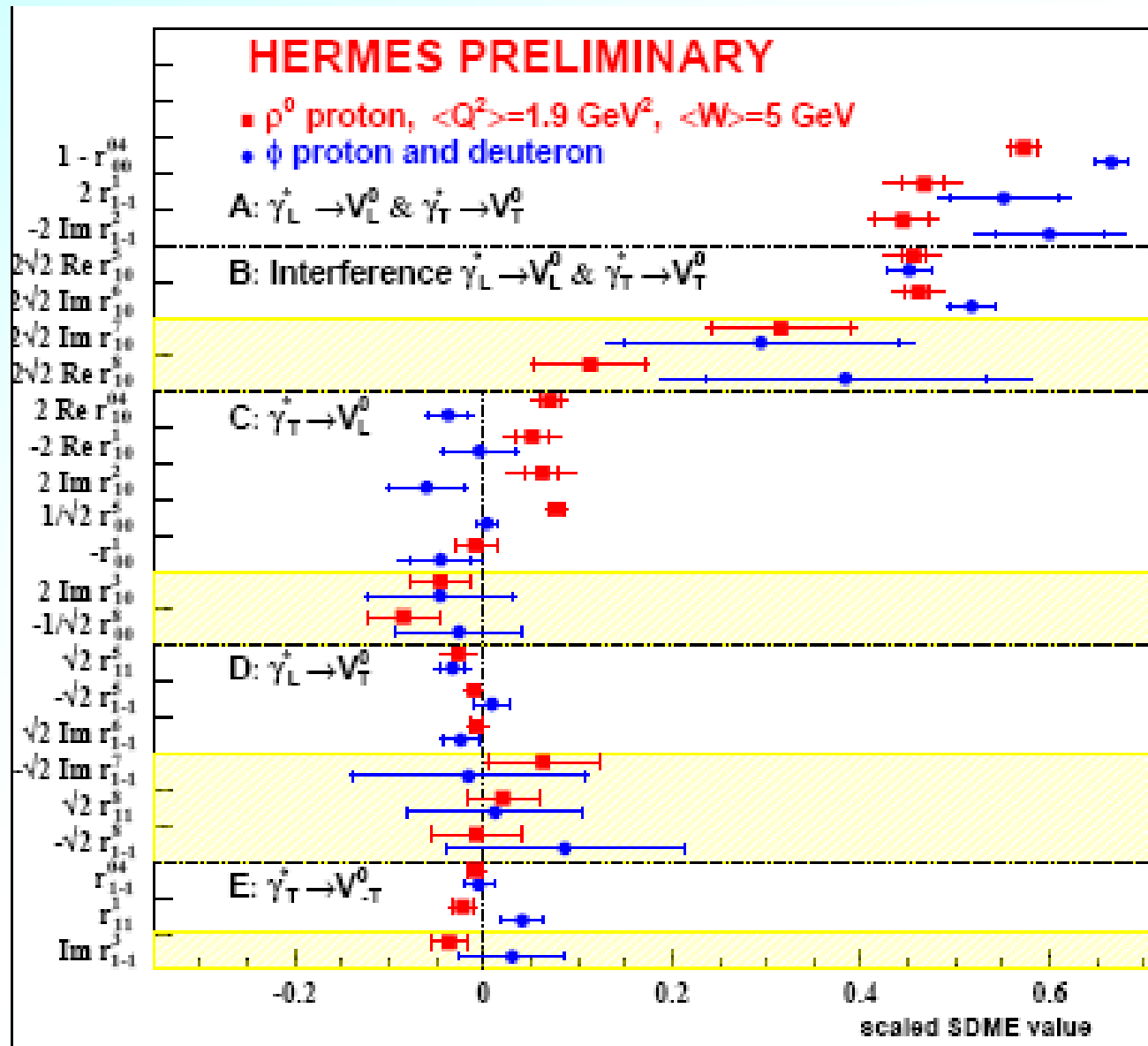
Measured for the first time

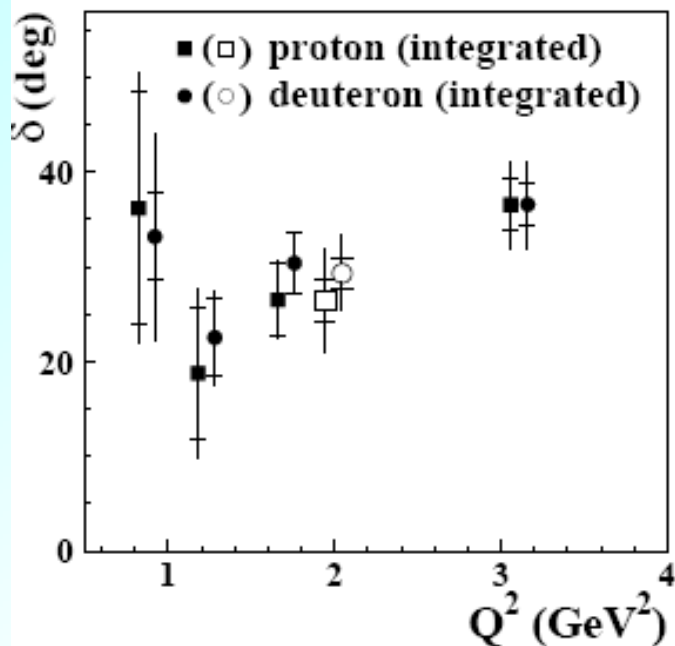
Related to proton helicity-flip amplitude

Suppressed by $\sqrt{-t}/2M_p$



30 SDMEs





neglecting spin-flip amplitudes

🌀 $|\delta|$ obtained from unpolarized SDMEs:

$$\cos \delta = \frac{2\sqrt{\epsilon}(\Re r_{10}^5 - \Im r_{10}^6)}{\sqrt{r_{00}^{04}(1 - r_{00}^{04} + r_{1-1}^1 - \Im r_{1-1}^2)}}$$

🌀 sign of δ obtained from polarized SDMEs:
(for the first time)

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

🌀 results on δ (in degrees):

■ proton: $|\delta| = 26.4 \pm 2.3_{stat} \pm 4.9_{sys}$; $\delta = 30.6 \pm 5.0_{stat} \pm 2.4_{sys}$

■ deuteron: $|\delta| = 29.3 \pm 1.6_{stat} \pm 3.6_{sys}$; $\delta = 36.3 \pm 3.9_{stat} \pm 1.7_{sys}$

🌀 values are consistent

■ with each other

■ with H1 results: $|\delta| = 21.5 \pm 4.3_{stat} \pm 5.3_{sys}$

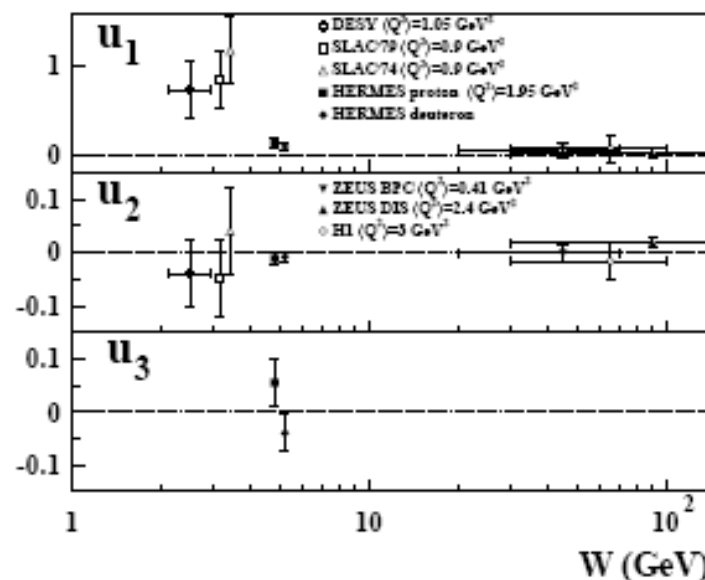
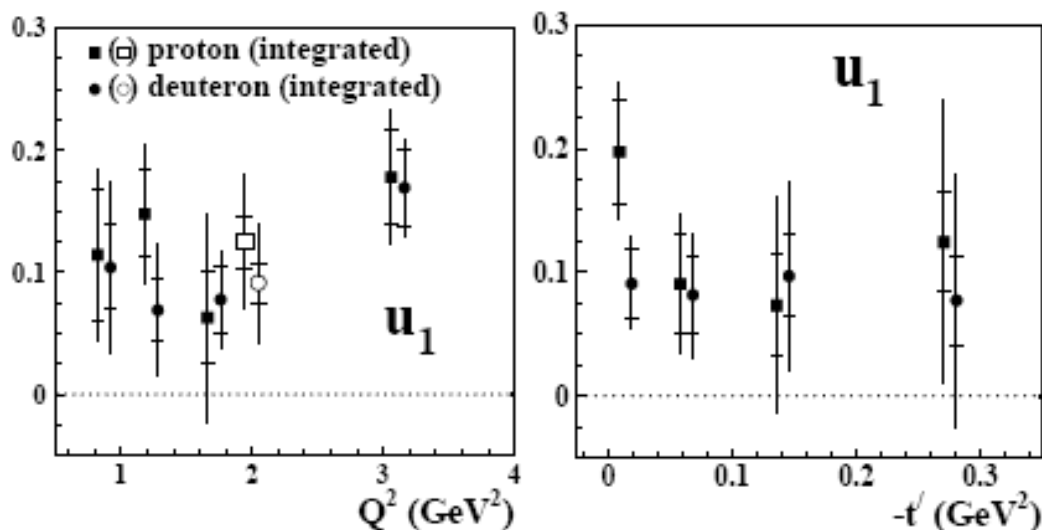
from A. Rostomyan

More economic: extract the 9 helicity amplitudes directly (in preparation)

UPE contributions measured from SDMEs:

$$u_1 = 1 - r_{00}^{04} + 2r_{1-1}^{04} - 2r_{11}^1 - 2r_{1-1}^1, \quad u_2 = r_{11}^5 + r_{1-1}^5, \quad u_3 = r_{11}^8 + r_{1-1}^8$$

the combinations of SDMEs expected to be the zero in case of NPE dominance



UPE contribution is W -dependent



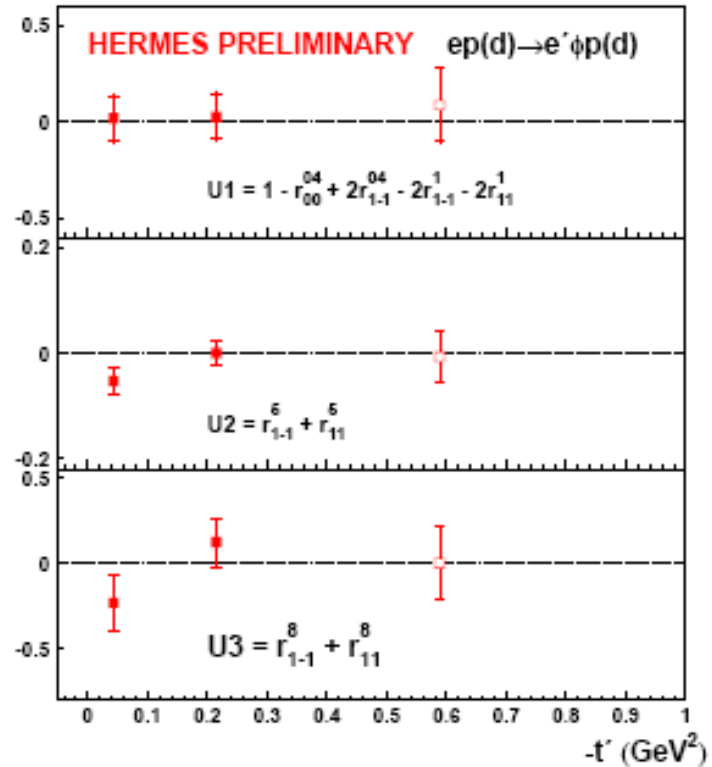
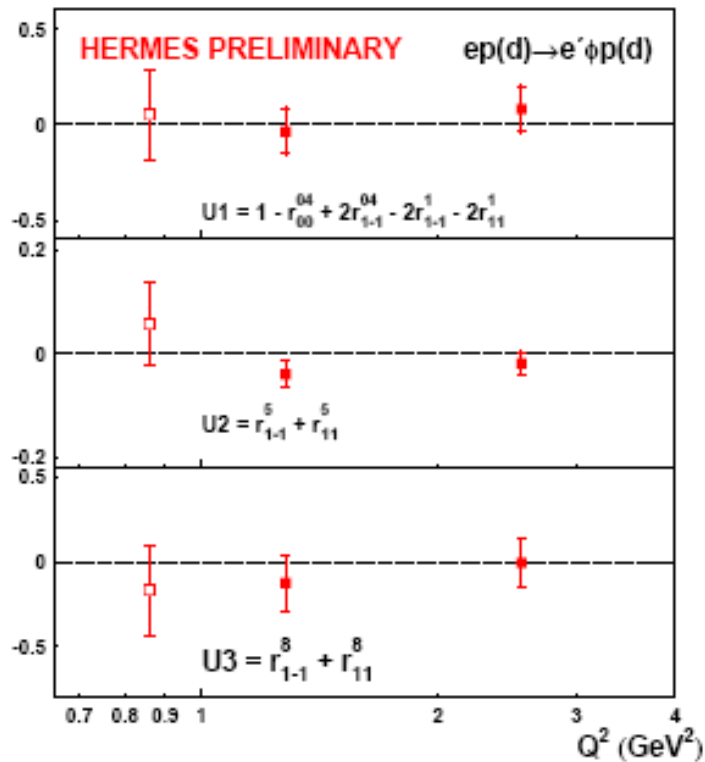
proton:





$$u_1 = 0.125 \pm 0.021_{stat} \pm 0.050_{sys}$$



deuteron:

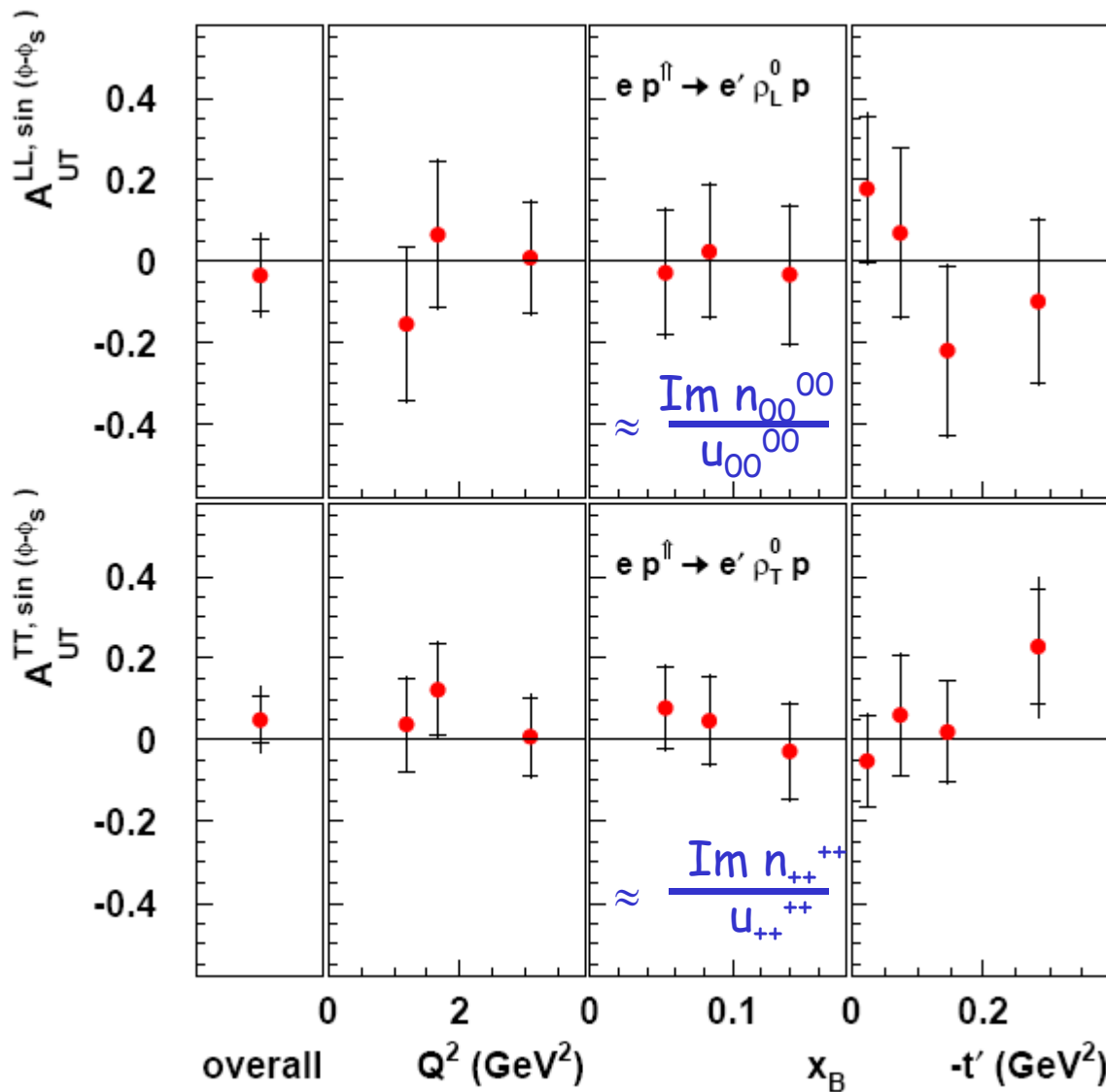
$$u_1 = 0.091 \pm 0.016_{stat} \pm 0.046_{sys}$$



-  $u_1 = 0.02 \pm 0.07_{stat} \pm 0.16_{sys}$
-  $u_2 = -0.03 \pm 0.01_{stat} \pm 0.03_{sys}$
-  $u_3 = -0.05 \pm 0.12_{stat} \pm 0.07_{sys}$
-  no signal of unnatural-parity exchange

expected since dominant contribution to the production is from two gluon exchange

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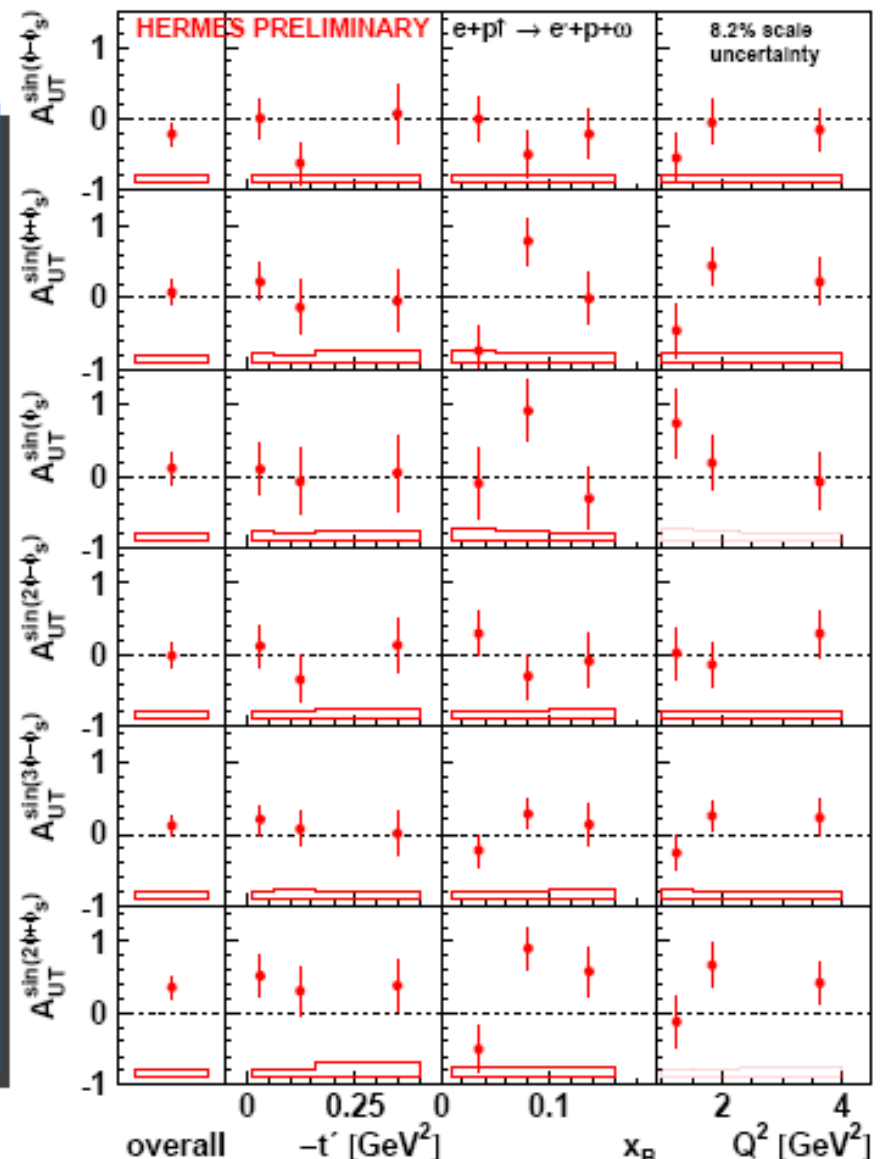
$$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi_s)} \propto \frac{E}{H} \propto \frac{E^q + E^g}{H^q + H^g}$$

u: unpolarised
n: normal polarisation
s: sideways polarisation

Compatible with
zero overall value

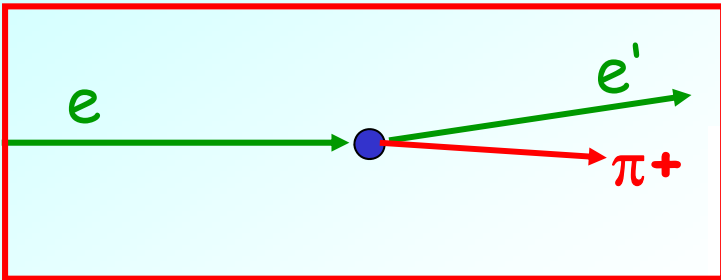
$$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi_s)} = -0.033 \pm 0.058$$

- 6 azimuthal moments extracted using integrated angular distributions
- due to low statistics no ω_L/ω_T separation
- predictions for large asymmetry
 $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi_s)} \approx -0.10$
- indication of negative $\sin(\phi-\phi_s)$ amplitude
 $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi_s)} = -0.22 \pm 0.16_{stat} \pm 0.11_{sys}$
- no contradiction with ρ^0 predictions
 $A_{UT}^{\rho^0, \sin(\phi-\phi_s)} \propto \mathfrak{S} \left\{ \frac{2E^u + E^d}{2H^u + H^d + Hg} \right\}$
 $A_{UT}^{\omega, \sin(\phi-\phi_s)} \propto \mathfrak{S} \left\{ \frac{2E^u - E^d}{2H^u - H^d} \right\}$



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$$e p \rightarrow e' \pi^+ n$$



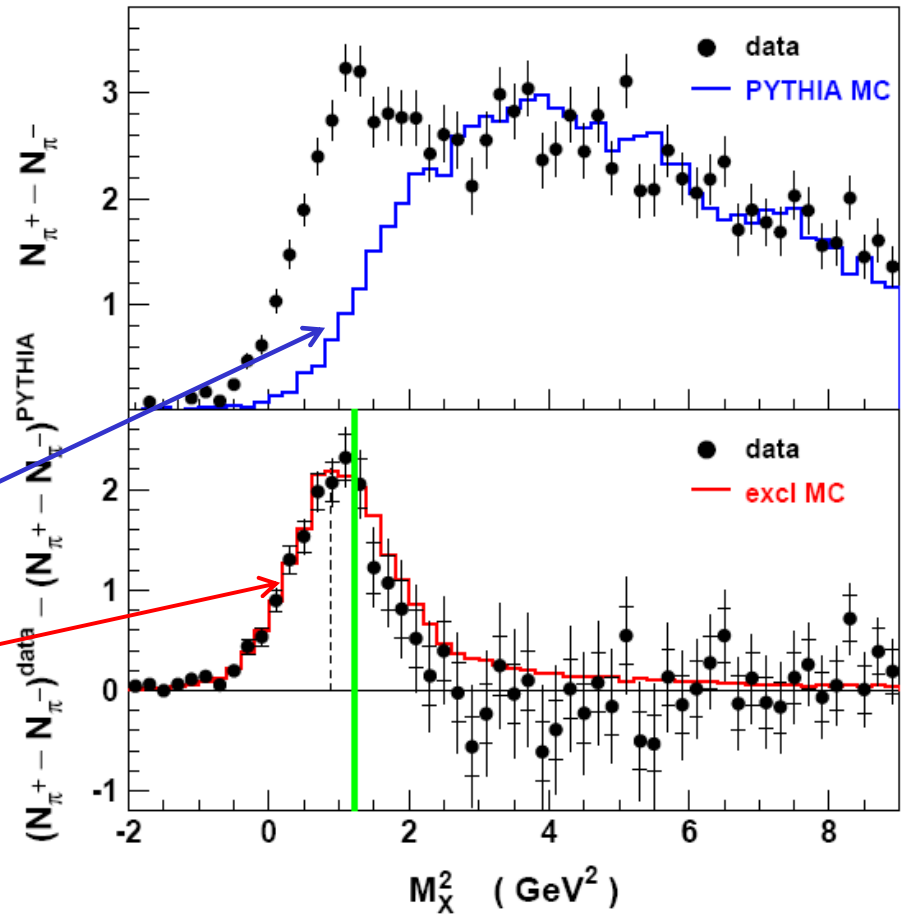
$$\sigma_L \propto (1 - \xi^2) \cdot |\tilde{H}|^2 - \xi^2 \cdot |\tilde{E}|^2 - \xi^2 \cdot \text{Re}(\tilde{E}^* \tilde{H})$$

PYTHIA MC without exclusive π^+

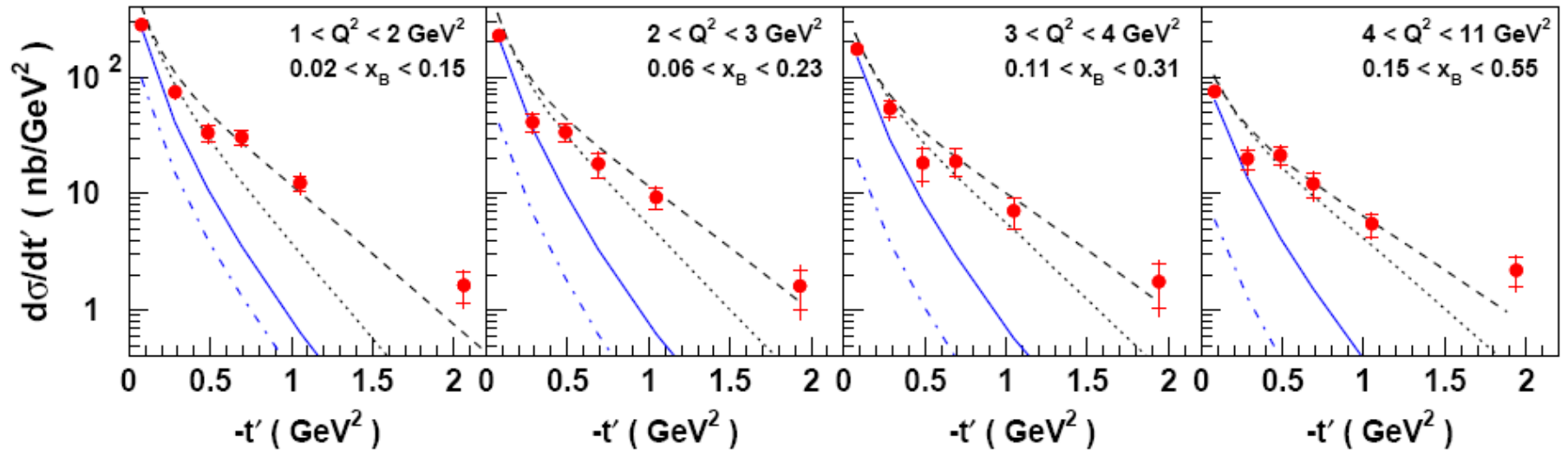
exclusive MC based on GPD model

$$N_{\text{excl}} = (\pi^+ - \pi^-)^{\text{data}} - (\pi^+ - \pi^-)^{\text{PYTHIA}}$$

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$$M_X^2 = (P_e + P_p - P_{e'} - P_{\pi^+})^2$$



- GPD model , LO - VGG [PRD 60 (1999) 094017]
- " , with power corrections
- Regge model , $d\sigma_L/dt$ - J.M. Laget [PRD 70 (2004) 054023]
- - - - " , $d\sigma/dt$ - " "

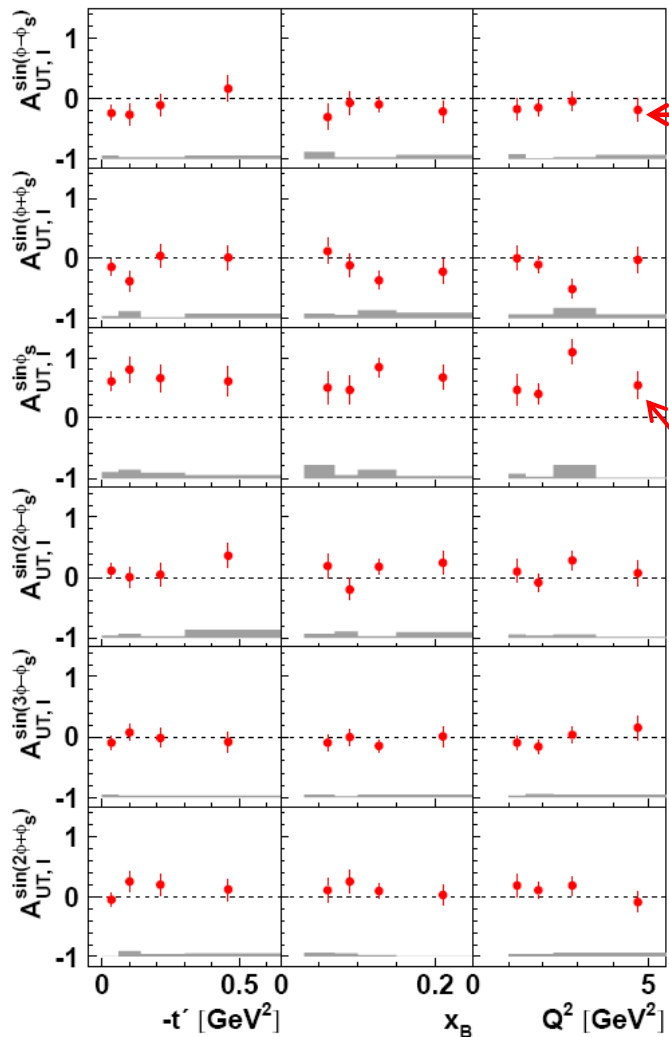
Further examples:

M. Kaskulov, U. Mosel, P.R. C 80 (2009) 028202 (two component model, soft and hard partonic reactions)

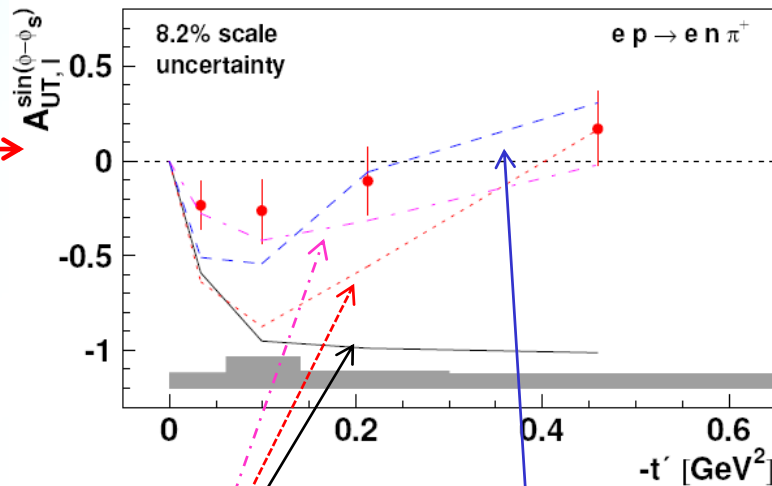
Ch. Bechler, D. Müller, arXiv:0906.2571 (Regge inspired + counting rules)

$$\sigma_L \propto |S_T| \sin(\phi - \phi_s) \text{Im}(\tilde{E}^* \tilde{H})$$

arXiv:0907.2596



'Leading' asymmetry amplitude: small



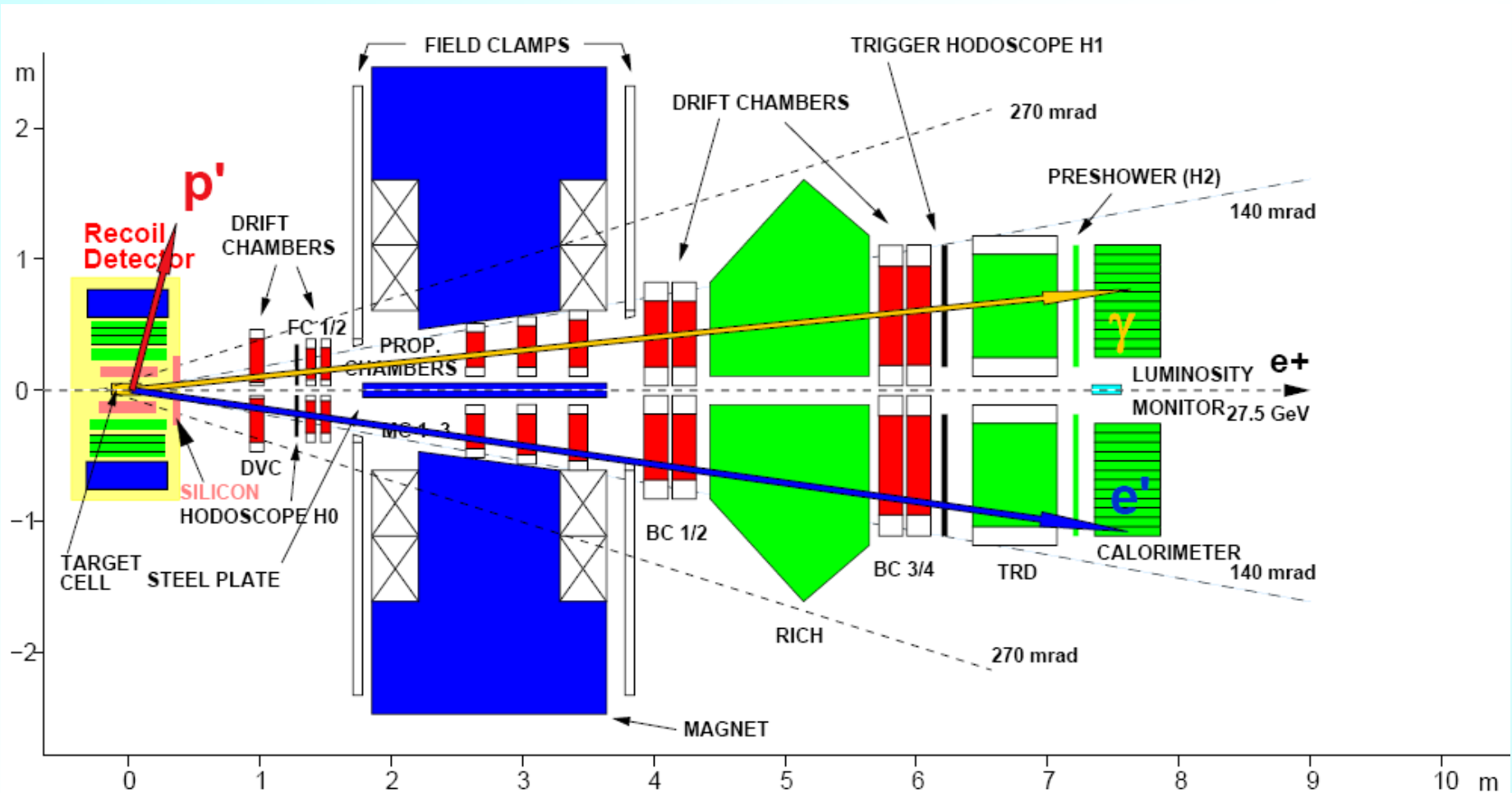
Ch. Bechler, D. Müller, arXiv:0906.2571

S. Goloskokov, P. Kroll, arXiv:0906.0460

Subleading asymmetry amplitude:
Surprisingly large,
expected to be suppressed by $1/Q$
($\gamma_L^* - \gamma_T^*$ interference?)

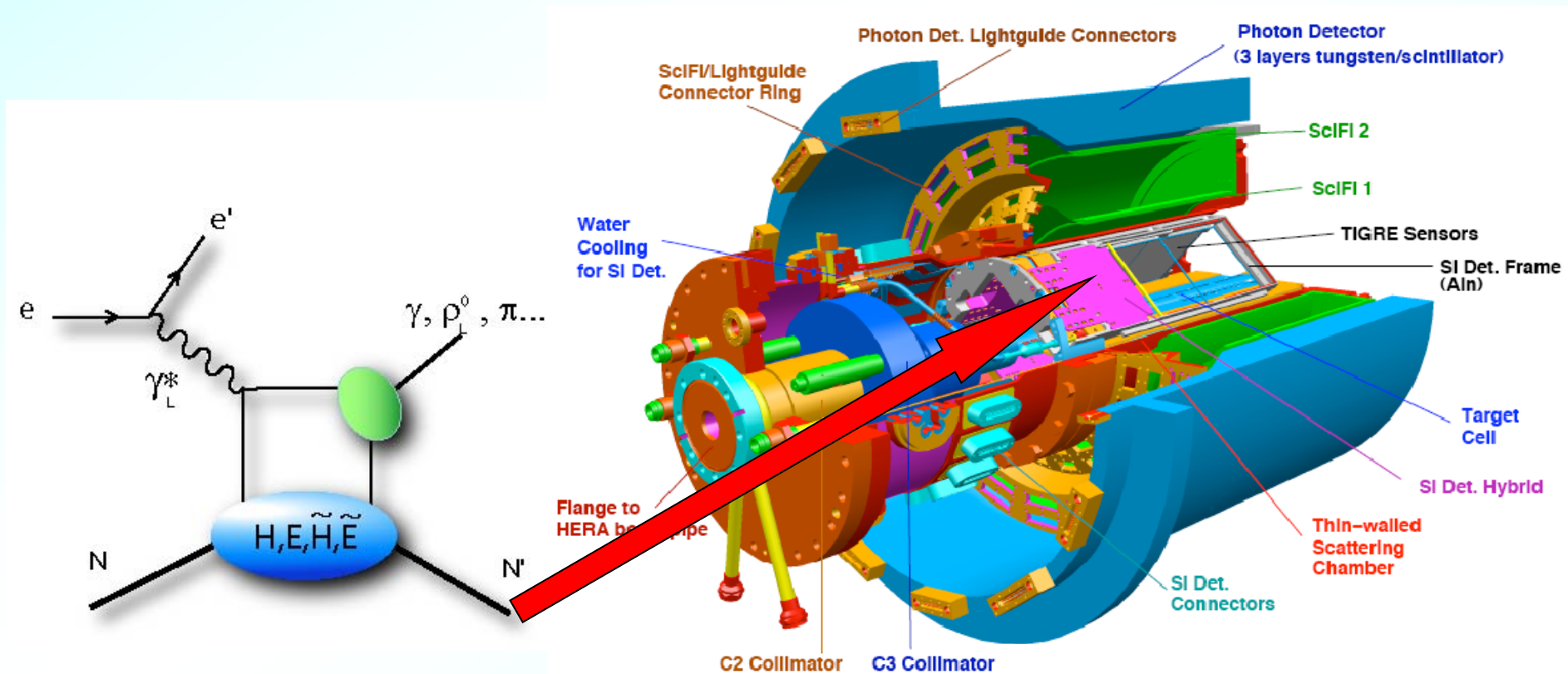
- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)
- Exclusive Vector Meson (ρ , ω , ϕ) production
- Exclusive π^+ production
- Recoil Detector

Exclusive Processes with Recoil Detector



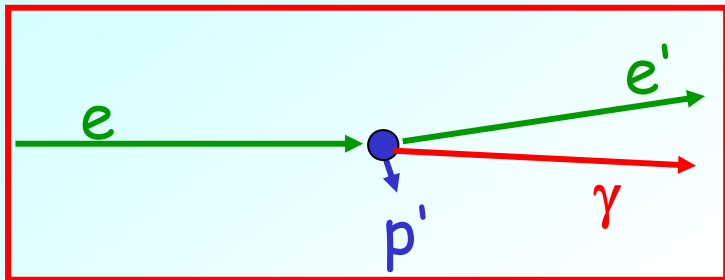
- Unpolarized hydrogen target: 38 Mio DIS (41.000 DVCS)
- Unpolarized deuterium target: 10 Mio DIS (7.500 DVCS)
- Two beam helicities, electron and positron beams

Main purpose: reduce background, identify events from resonance production and determine their asymmetries

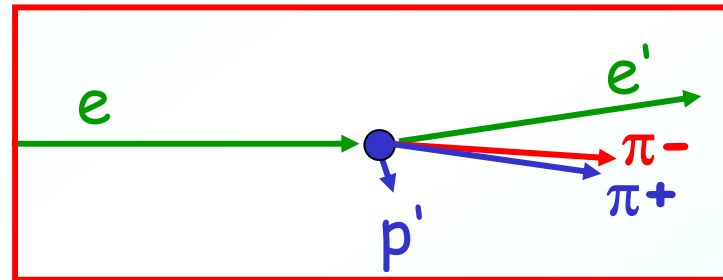


Event Selection with Recoil Detector

$$e p \rightarrow e' \gamma x^+$$

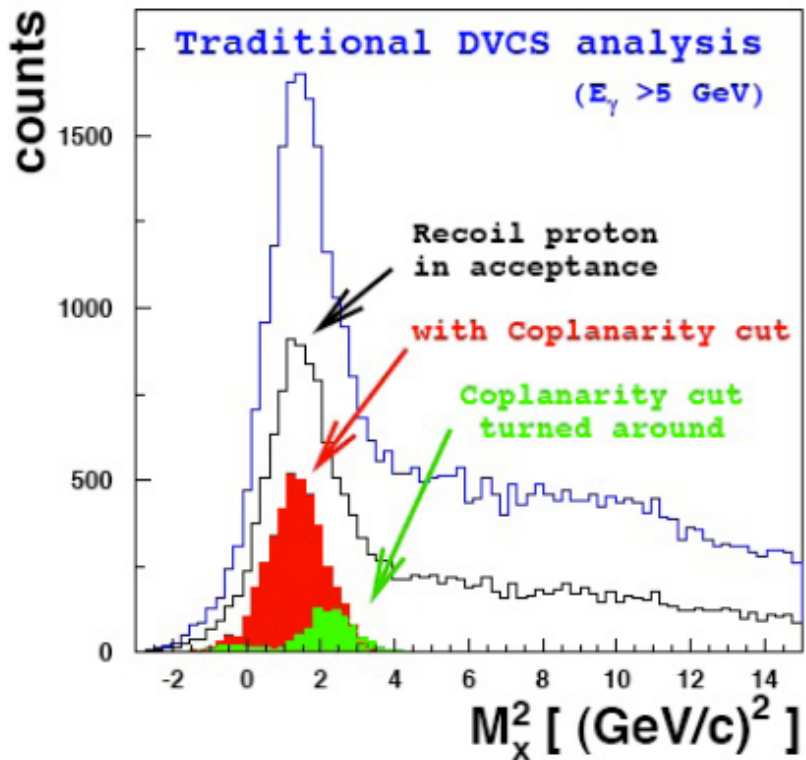


$$e p \rightarrow e' \rho x^+$$

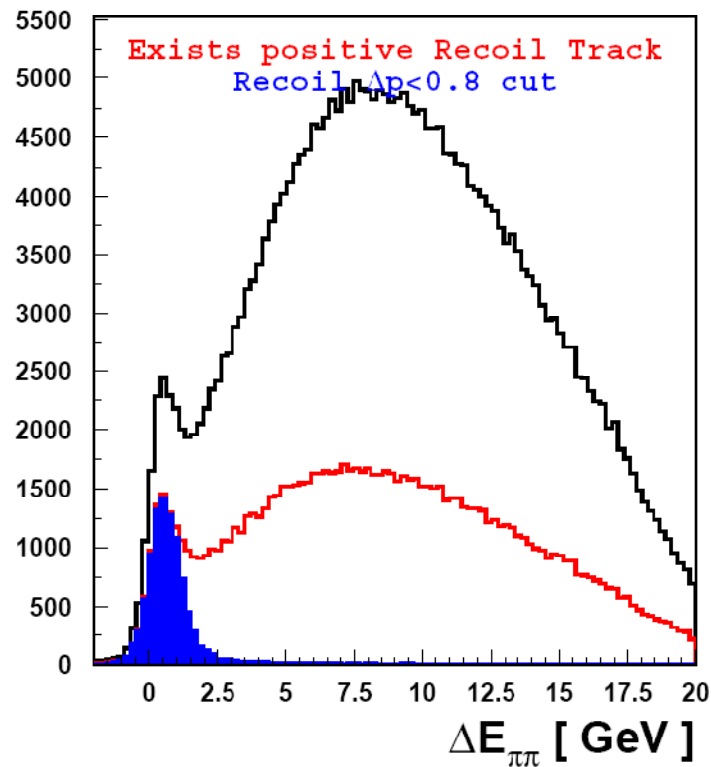


Hermes 2007 data

Traditional DVCS analysis
($E_\gamma > 5$ GeV)

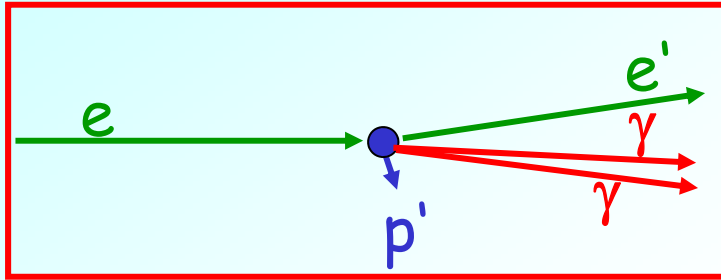


Rho event candidates



Event Selection with Recoil Detector

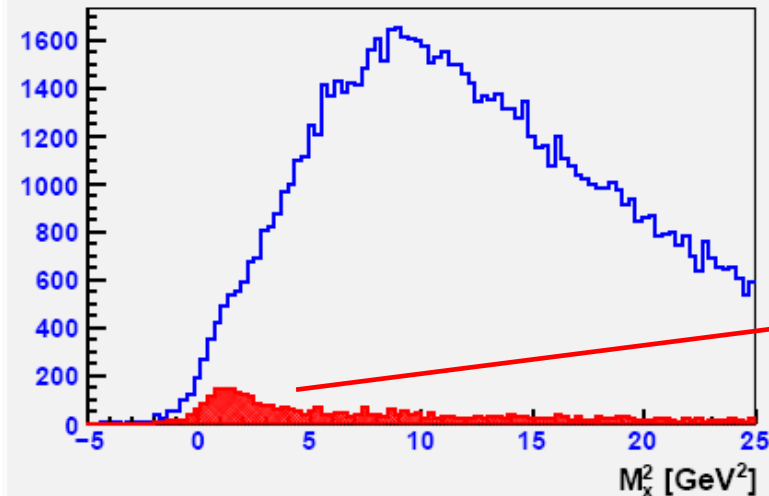
$$e p \rightarrow e' \pi^0 x^+$$



- First signal of exclusive π^0 production at HERMES
- Can provide access to chiral-even and chiral-odd GPDs

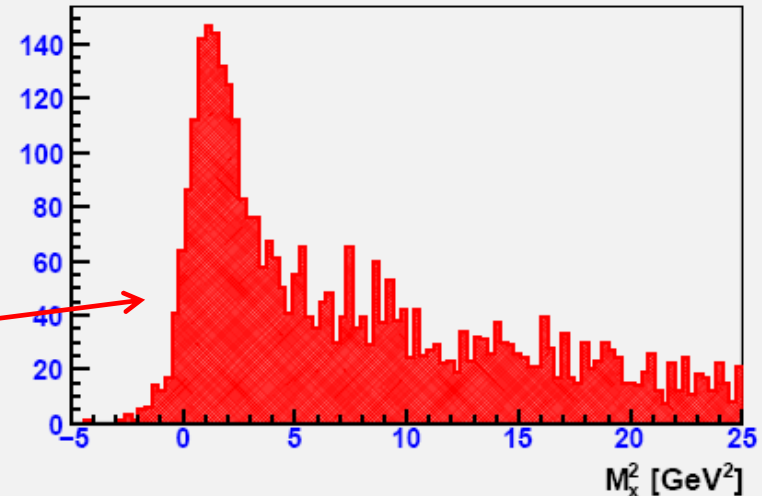
Recoil proton required

π^0 with ΔP_t and $\Delta\phi$ cuts



Cuts on momentum and angle difference applied

π^0 with ΔP_t and $\Delta\phi$ cuts



- HERMES has produced a plethora of data for hard exclusive processes
- Many more results will be presented and published soon

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