

Deeply virtual exclusive production of mesons at COMPASS



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**Towards improved hadron tomography
with hard exclusive reactions**

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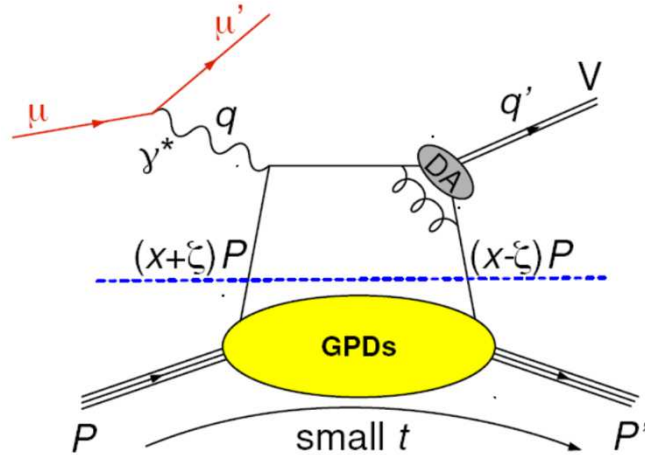
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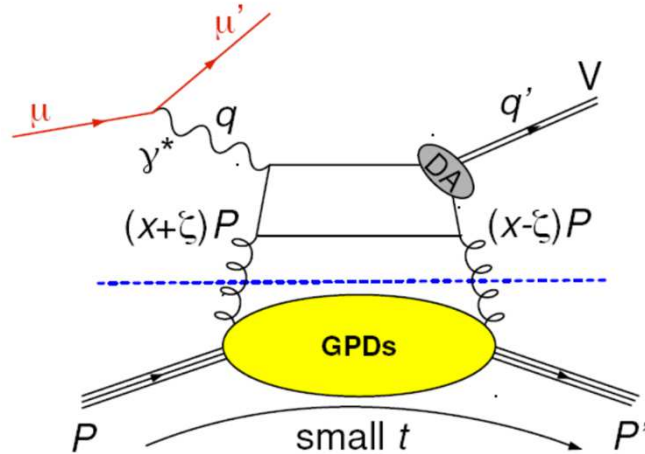
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GPDs and Hard Exclusive Meson Production

quark contribution



gluon contribution



- factorisation proven only for σ_L
 σ_T suppressed by $1/Q^2$
- wave function of meson (DA)
additional non-perturbative term

Chiral-even GPDs

helicity of parton unchanged

$$H^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$$

$$\tilde{H}^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$$

$$E^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$$

$$\tilde{E}^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$$

Chiral-odd GPDs

helicity of parton changed (not probed by DVCS)

$$H_T^q(x, \xi, t)$$

$$\tilde{H}_T^q(x, \xi, t)$$

$$E_T^q(x, \xi, t)$$

$$\tilde{E}_T^q(x, \xi, t)$$

Flavour separation for GPDs

example:

$$E_{\rho^0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{2}{3} E^u + \frac{1}{3} E^d + \frac{3}{8} E^g \right)$$

$$E_{\omega} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{2}{3} E^u - \frac{1}{3} E^d + \frac{1}{8} E^g \right)$$

$$E_{\varphi} = -\frac{1}{3} E^s - \frac{1}{8} E^g$$

for VMs contribution from gluons at the same order
of α_s as from quarks

COMPASS experiment at CERN

Basic ingredients of versatile COMPASS experimental setup

❖ secondary beam line M2 from the SPS

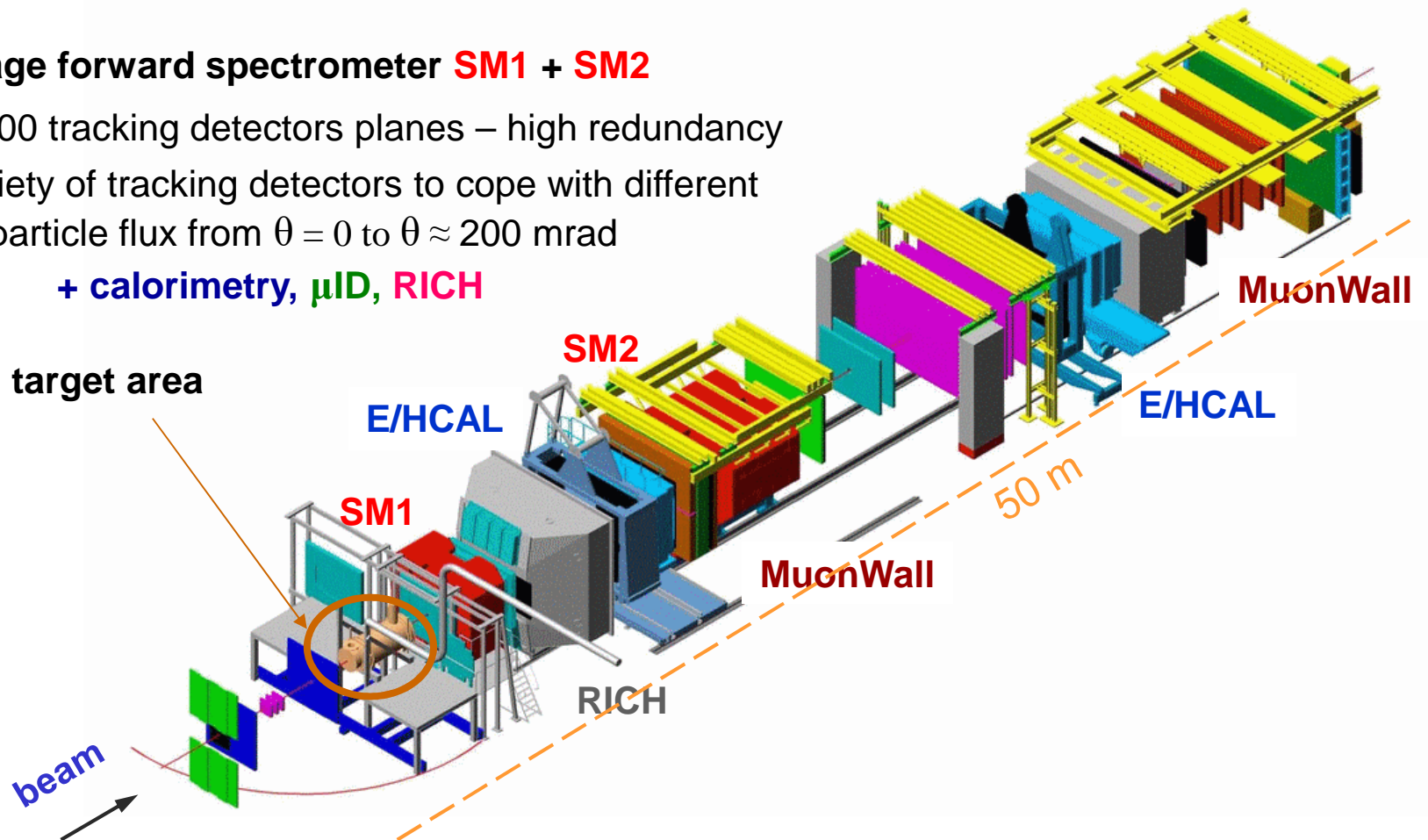
- delivers:
- high energy polarised μ^+ or μ^- beams
 - negative or positive hadron beams

❖ two-stage forward spectrometer **SM1 + SM2**

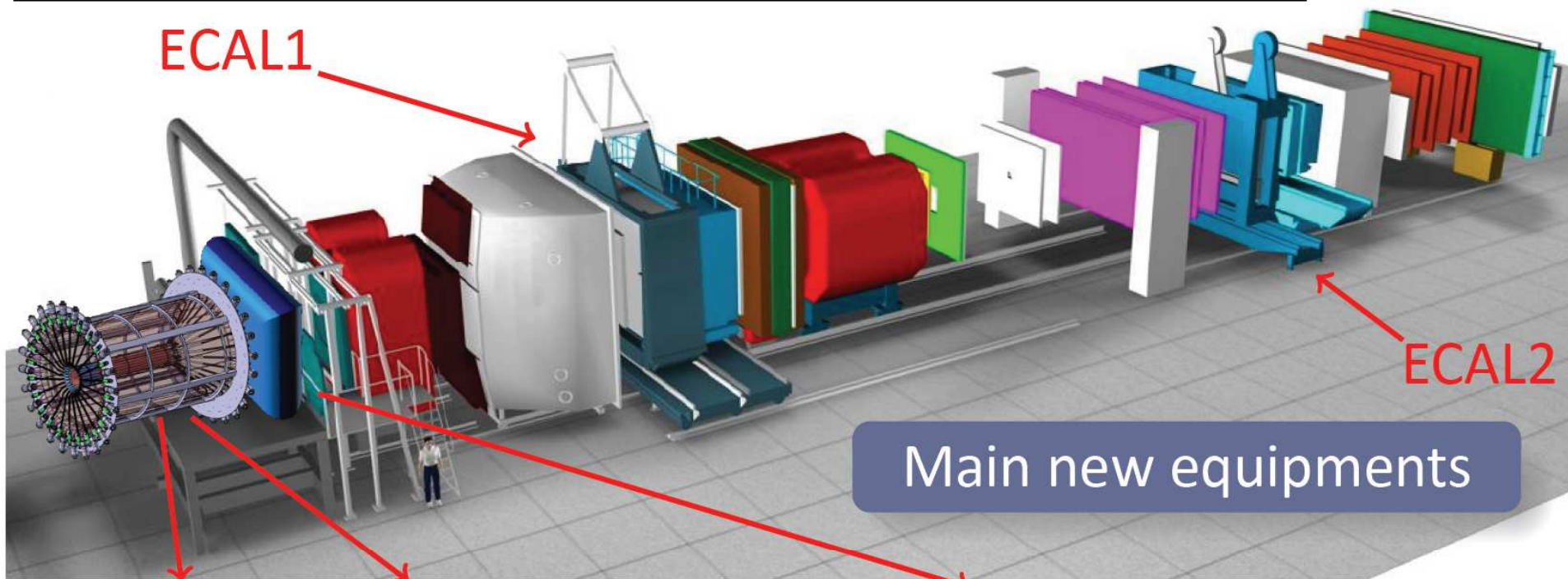
≈ 300 tracking detectors planes – high redundancy
variety of tracking detectors to cope with different
particle flux from $\theta = 0$ to $\theta \approx 200$ mrad

+ calorimetry, μ ID, RICH

❖ flexible target area

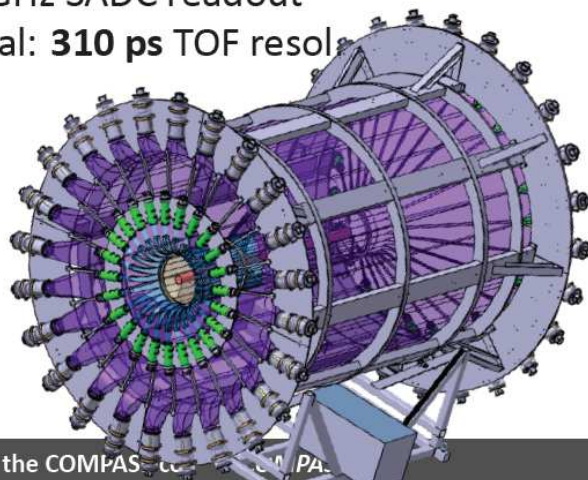


The COMPASS set-up for the GPD program (starting from 2012)



2.5m-long
Liquid H₂
Target

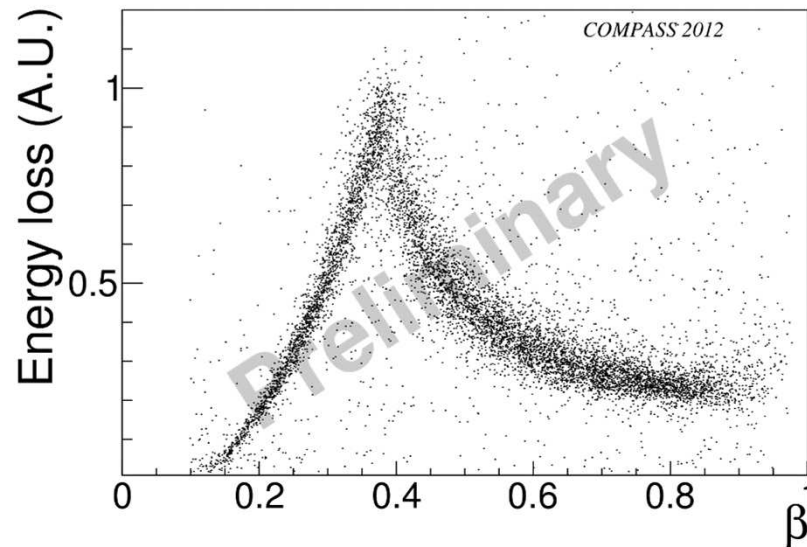
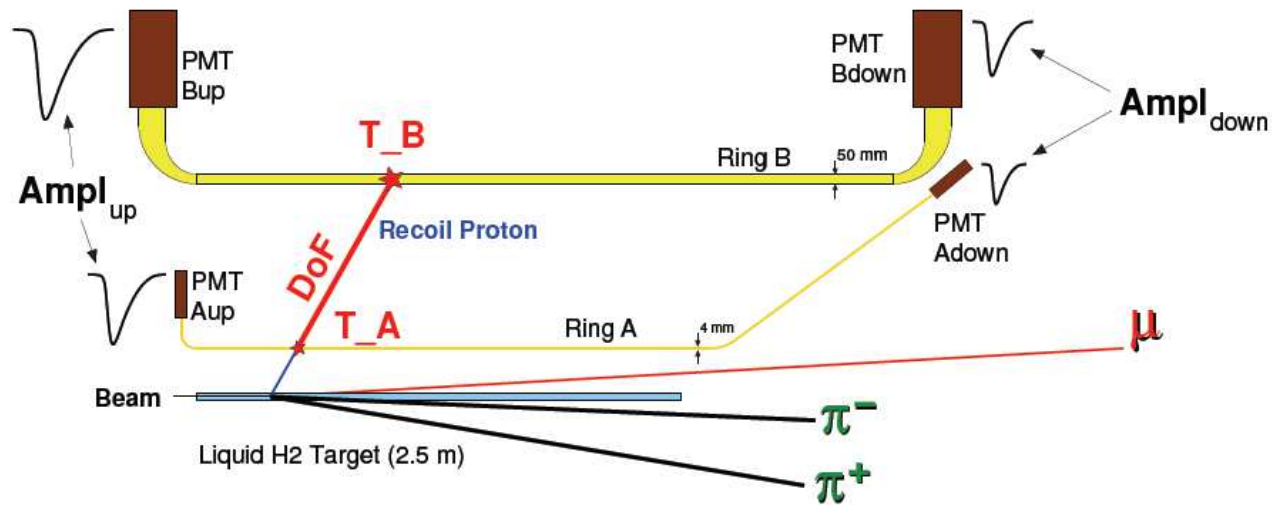
Target TOF System
24 inner & outer scintillators
1 GHz SADC readout
goal: **310 ps** TOF resol



ECAL0 Calorimeter
Shashlyk modules + MAPD readout
~ 2 × 2 m², ~2200 ch.



Recoil particle reconstruction in CAMERA



$$E_{\text{loss}} \sim \sqrt{(\text{Ampl}_{\text{up}} \times \text{Ampl}_{\text{down}})}$$

$$z_{A,B} \sim (t_{\text{up}} - t_{\text{down}})_{A,B}$$

$$\text{ToF} = (t_{\text{up}} + t_{\text{down}})_{A,B}$$

$$\beta = \text{DoF} / \text{ToF}$$

- Proton signature clearly visible after exclusivity selections

Hard Exclusive π^0 Production on Unpolarised Protons
and Chiral-Odd (quark helicity-flip) GPDs

Exclusive π^0 production on unpolarised protons

$$\left[\frac{\alpha_{em}}{8\pi^3} \frac{y^2}{1-\varepsilon} \frac{1-x_{Bj}}{x_{Bj}} \frac{1}{Q^2} \right]^{-1} \frac{d\sigma}{dx_{Bj} dQ^2 dt d\phi} =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\sigma_{++}^{++} + \sigma_{++}^{--} \right) + \varepsilon \sigma_{00}^{++} - \varepsilon \cos(2\phi) \text{Re}(\sigma_{+-}^{++}) - \sqrt{\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \cos(\phi) \text{Re}(\sigma_{+0}^{++} + \sigma_{+0}^{--})$$

$$- P_l \sqrt{\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \sin(\phi) \text{Im}(\sigma_{+0}^{++} + \sigma_{+0}^{--})$$

σ_{mn}^{ij} : helicity-dependent photoabsorption cross sections and interference terms

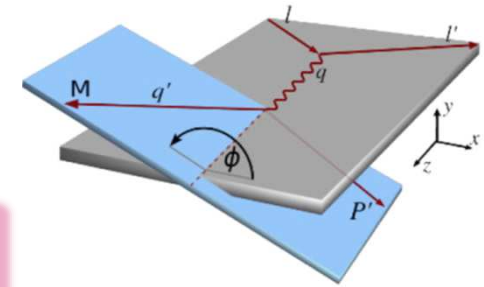
$$\sigma_{mn}^{ij}(x_B, Q^2, t) \propto \sum (M_m^i)^* M_n^j$$

M_m^i : amplitude for subprocess $\gamma^* p \rightarrow V p'$ with photon helicity m and target proton helicity i

muon polarisation dependence cancels in $S_{CS,U} = [d\sigma(\mu^+) + d\sigma(\mu^-)]/2$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\sigma_{++}^{++} + \sigma_{++}^{--} \right) + \varepsilon \sigma_{00}^{++} - \varepsilon \cos(2\phi) \text{Re}(\sigma_{+-}^{++}) - \sqrt{\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \cos(\phi) \text{Re}(\sigma_{+0}^{++} + \sigma_{+0}^{--})$$

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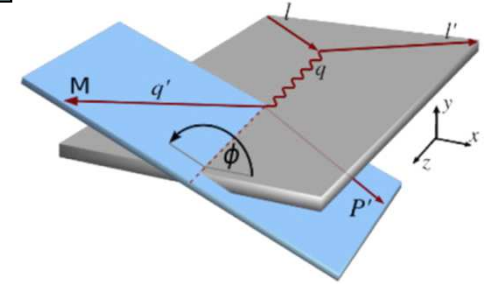


$$\varepsilon = \frac{1-y-\frac{1}{4}\gamma^2 y^2}{1-y+\frac{1}{2}y^2+\frac{1}{4}\gamma^2 y^2}$$

$$\gamma^2 = (2x_{Bj} M_p)^2 / Q^2$$

GPDs in exclusive π^0 production on unpolarised protons

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dt d\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \varepsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \varepsilon \cos 2\phi \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \cos \phi \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} \right]$$



$$\frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{k'} \frac{1}{Q^6} \left\{ (1 - \xi^2) |\langle \tilde{H} \rangle|^2 - 2\xi^2 \text{Re} [\langle \tilde{H} \rangle^* \langle \tilde{E} \rangle] - \frac{t'}{4m^2} \xi^2 |\langle \tilde{E} \rangle|^2 \right\}$$

leading twist
at JLAB only few% of $\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt}$

other contributions arise from coupling
of chiral-odd (quark helicity-flip) GPDs to twist-3 pion amplitude

$$\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{2k'} \frac{\mu_\pi^2}{Q^8} \left[(1 - \xi^2) |\langle H_T \rangle|^2 - \frac{t'}{8m^2} |\langle \bar{E}_T \rangle|^2 \right]$$

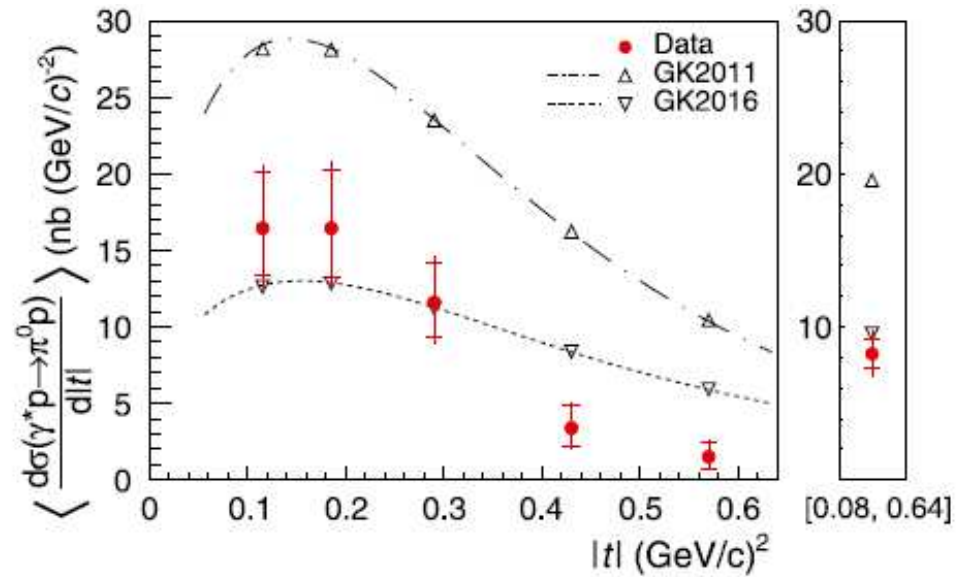
$$\text{def. } \bar{E}_T = 2\tilde{H}_T + E_T$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}k'} \frac{\mu_\pi}{Q^7} \xi \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \frac{\sqrt{-t'}}{2m} \text{Re} [\langle H_T \rangle^* \langle \tilde{E} \rangle]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{k'} \frac{\mu_\pi^2}{Q^8} \frac{t'}{16m^2} |\langle \bar{E}_T \rangle|^2$$

An impact of \bar{E}_T should be visible in $\frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt}$
and in a dip at small t' of $\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt}$

Sensitivity for constraining GPD models; an example

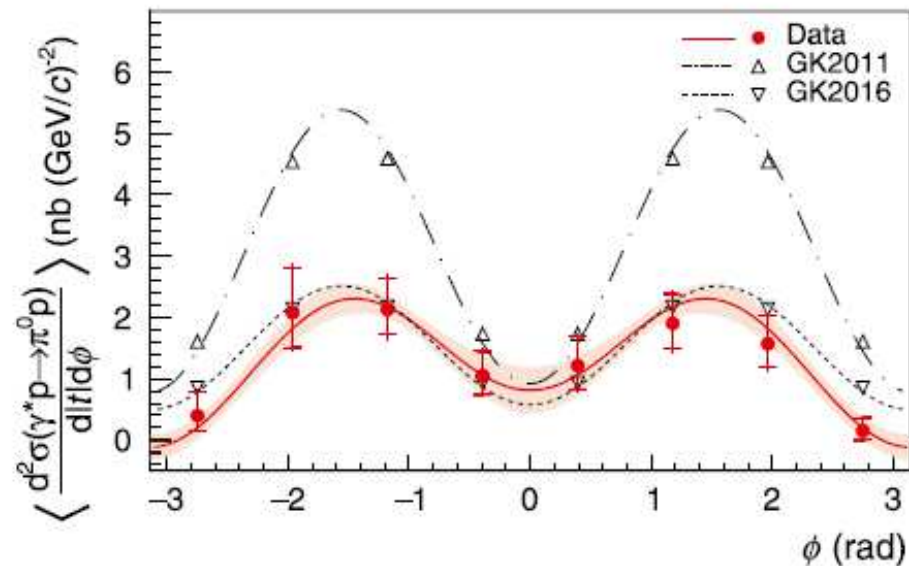


$8.5 \text{ GeV} < \nu < 28.0 \text{ GeV}$
 $1.0 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2 < Q^2 < 5.0 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$

Data 2012 (pilot run): PLB 805 (2020) 135454

GK2011: EPJA 47 (2011) 112

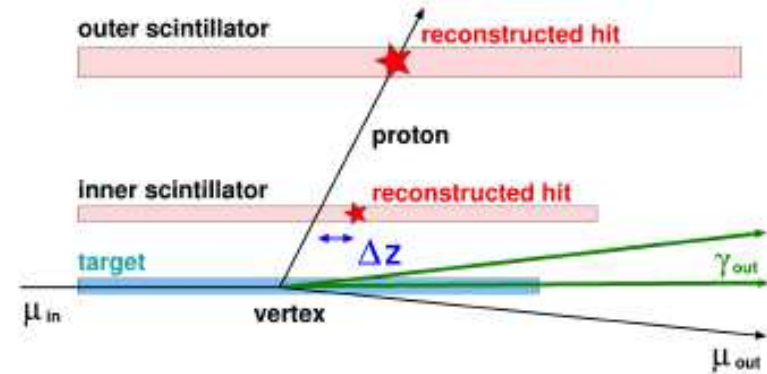
GK2016: updated GK model, private comm.



Recent preliminary results from exclusive π^0 analysis of 2016 data

Exclusive π^0 production: Selection

- Incoming and outgoing μ connected to primary vertex
- Two photons in ECALs from π^0 decay
- Recoil proton candidate
- $1 < Q^2 < 8 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$, $6.4 < \nu < 40 \text{ GeV}$, $0.08 < |t| < 0.64 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$



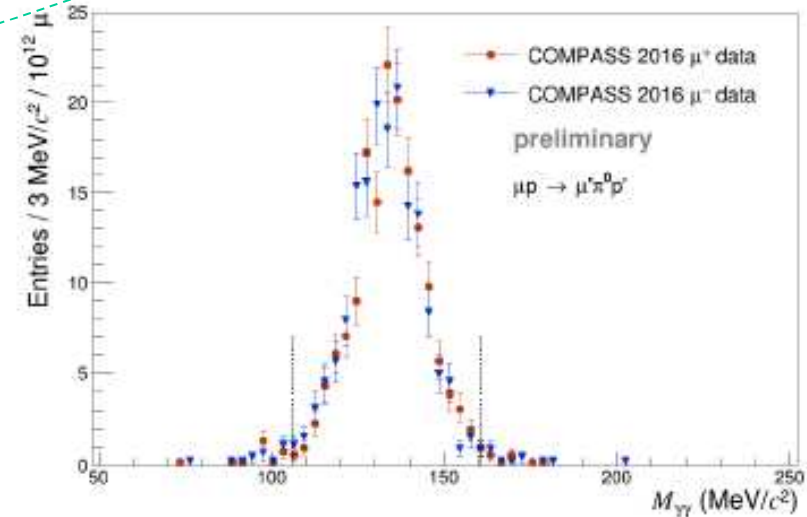
Selections for exclusive π^0 events:

- Transverse momentum constraint:

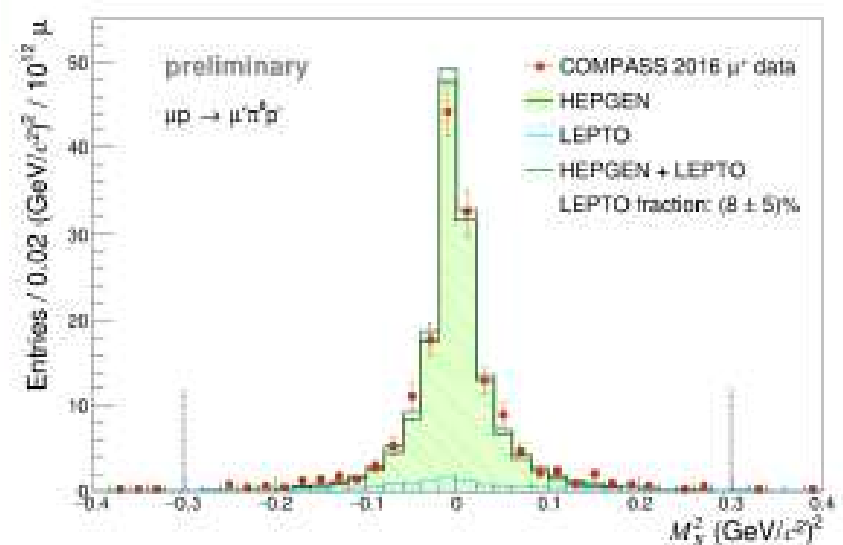
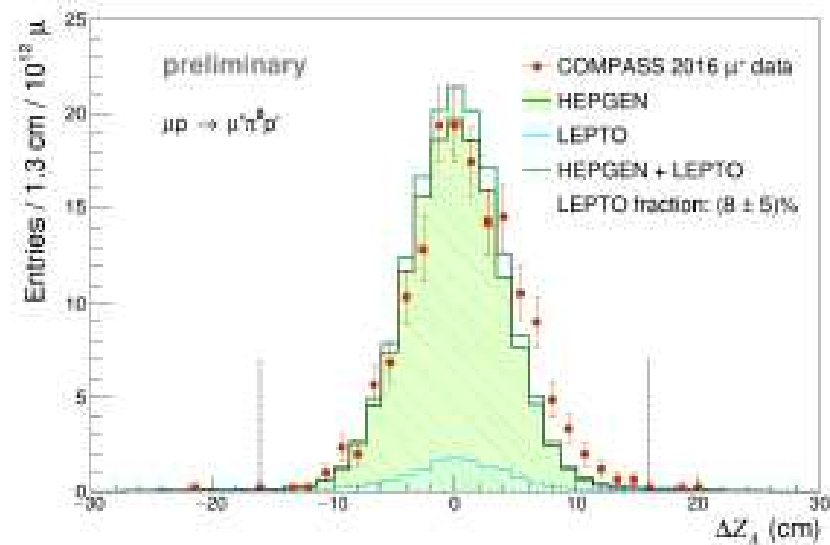
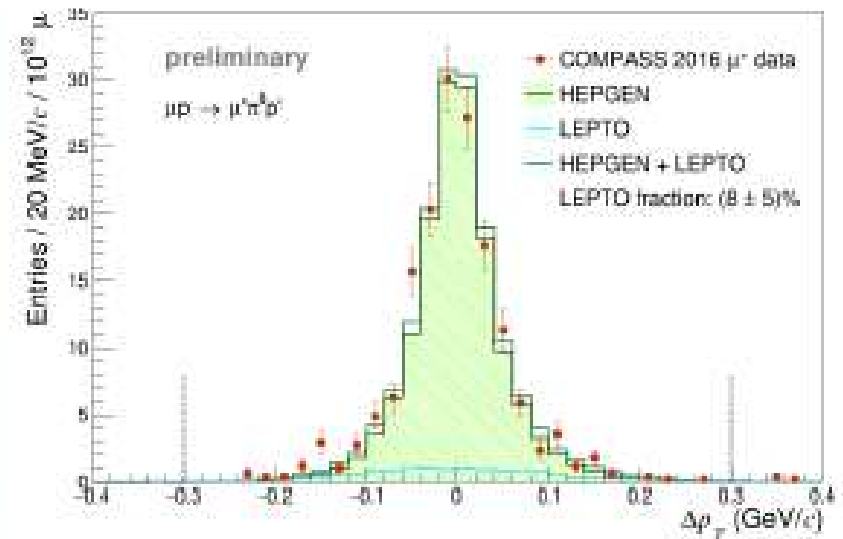
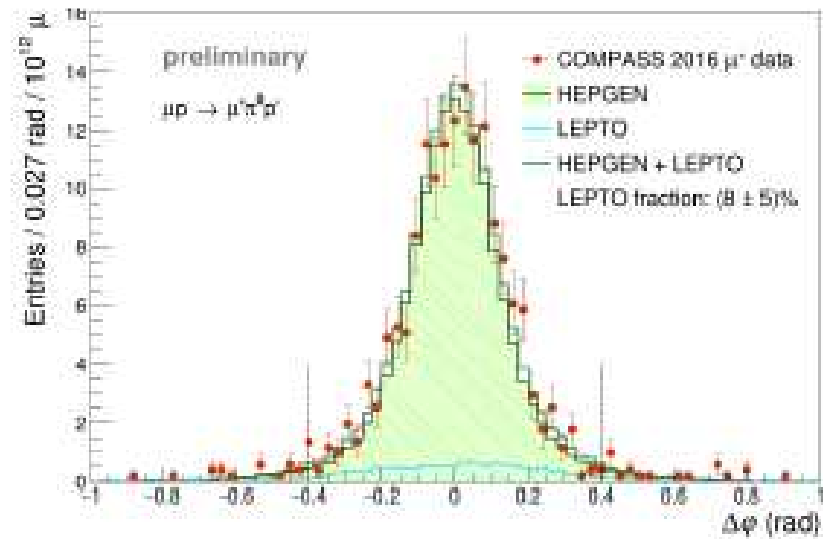
$$\Delta p_T = p_{T,spect}^p - p_{T,recoil}^p$$
- $\Delta\varphi = \varphi_{spect}^p - \varphi_{recoil}^p$
- Z coordinate of inner CAMERA ring:

$$\Delta z$$
- Energy-momentum conservation:

$$M_X^2 = (p_\mu + p_p - p_{\mu'} - p_{p'} - p_{\pi^0})^2$$
- Invariant mass $M_{\gamma\gamma}$ cut
- Kinematic fit of reaction $\mu p \rightarrow \mu' p' \pi^0$

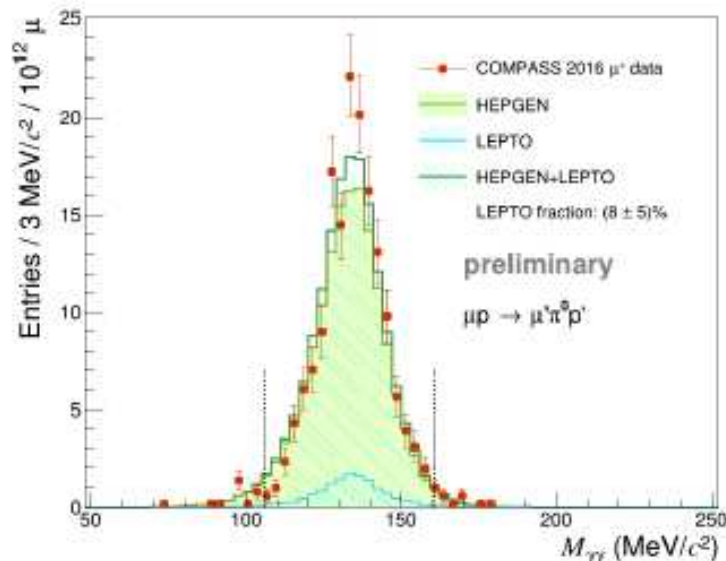


Distributions of „exclusivity variables”



SIDIS background estimate

- Main background of π^0 production \Rightarrow non-exclusive DIS processes
- 2 Monte Carlo simulations with the same π^0 selection criteria:
 - LEPTO for the non-exclusive background
 - HEPGEN++ shape of distributions of exclusive π^0 production (signal contribution)
- Both MC samples normalised to the experimental $M_{\gamma\gamma}$ distribution
- The fraction of background events r_{LEPTO} from fitting MC mixture on the exclusivity distributions



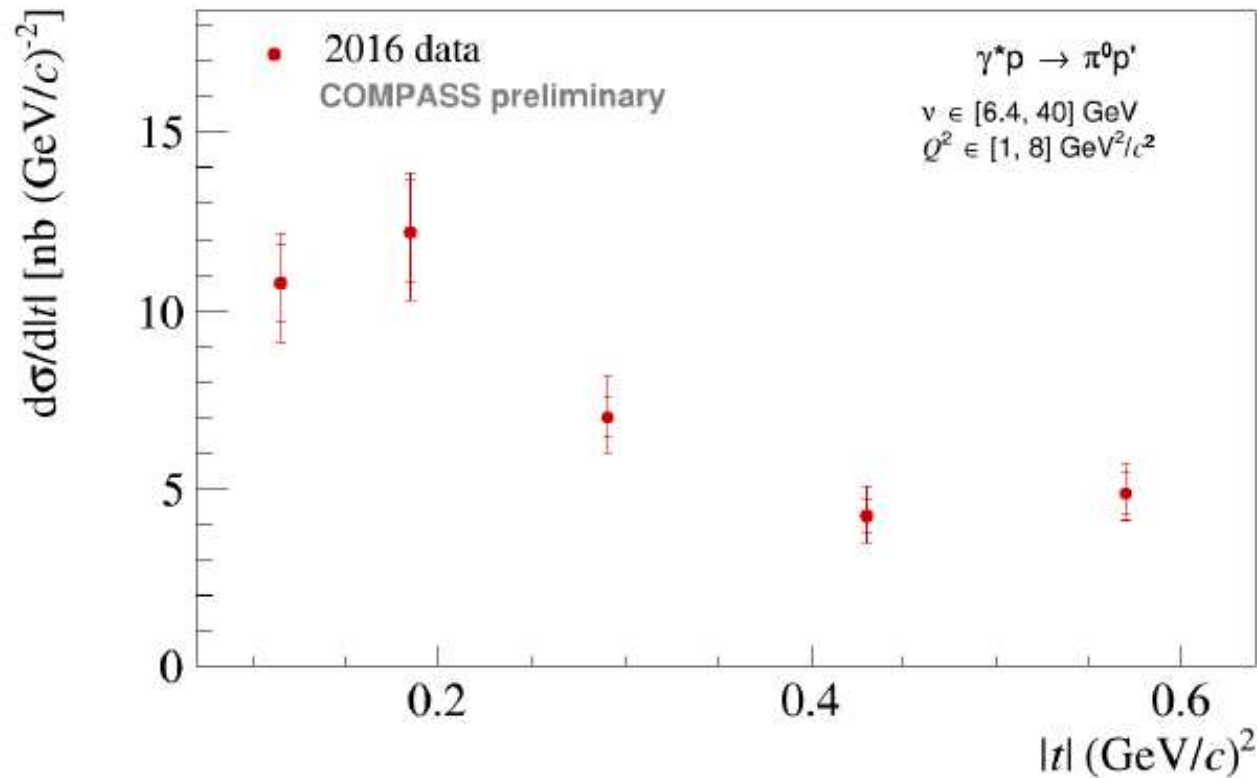
- Fraction of non-exclusive background in data $\Rightarrow (8 \pm 5)\%$
- Background fit method is the main source of systematic uncertainty

Exclusive π^0 production cross section as a function of $|t|$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \varepsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt}$$

At small $|t|$ an impact of \bar{E}_T contribution in $\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt}$

- Differential $\gamma^*p \rightarrow p'\pi^0$ cross-section as function of $|t|$, integrated over ϕ
- Newest 2016 data release

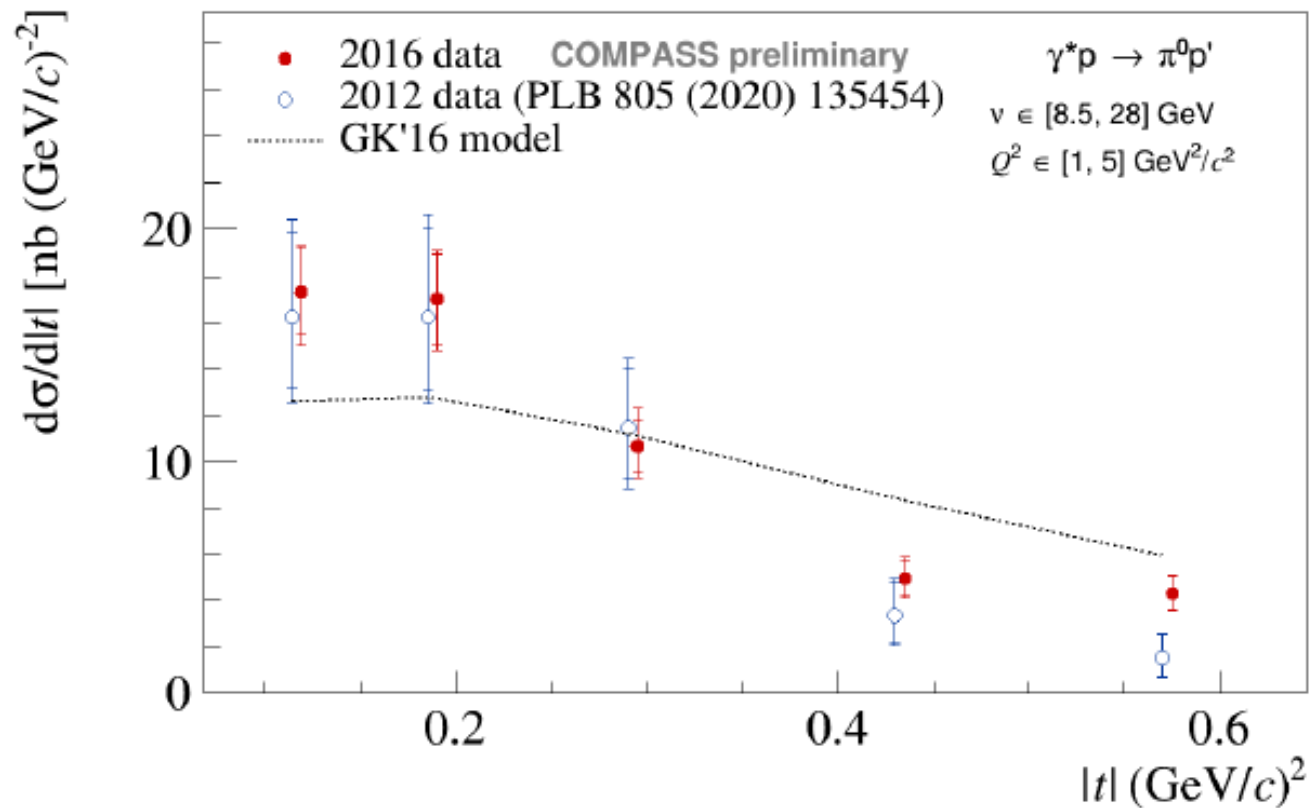


Comparison to the published results from 2012

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \varepsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt}$$

For the comparison the 2016 data are shown at the kinematic range of 2012 data

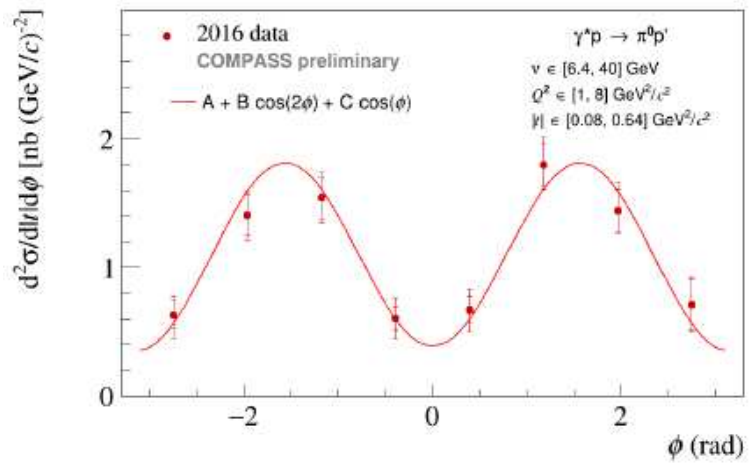
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Exclusive π^0 production cross section as a function of ϕ

- Newest 2016 data release
- Differential $\gamma^* p \rightarrow p' \pi^0$ cross-section as function of ϕ , averaged over $|t|$:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{\gamma^* p}}{dt d\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \epsilon \cos(2\phi) \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} + \sqrt{\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \cos\phi \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} \right]$$



$$\left\langle \frac{\sigma_T}{|t|} + \epsilon \frac{\sigma_L}{|t|} \right\rangle = (6.9 \pm 0.3_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.8_{\text{syst}}) \frac{\text{nb}}{(\text{GeV}/c)^2}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{\sigma_{TT}}{|t|} \right\rangle = (-4.5 \pm 0.5_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\text{syst}}) \frac{\text{nb}}{(\text{GeV}/c)^2}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{\sigma_{LT}}{|t|} \right\rangle = (0.06 \pm 0.2_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.1_{\text{syst}}) \frac{\text{nb}}{(\text{GeV}/c)^2}$$

An impact of \bar{E}_T visible in $\frac{\sigma_{TT}}{dt}$

Spin Density Matrix Elements
in Exclusive Vector Meson Production on unpolarised protons

Vector meson spin-density matrix

helicity of vector meson V

helicities of virtual photon γ and nucleon N

photon spin density matrix ($\mu \rightarrow \mu + \gamma^*$); calculable in QED

$$\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V} = \frac{1}{2\mathcal{N}} \sum_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma \lambda_N \lambda'_N} F_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N} \rho_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma}^{U+L} F_{\lambda'_V \lambda'_N \lambda'_\gamma \lambda_N}^* \quad (\text{von Neuman})$$

F helicity amplitudes; describe transitions $\lambda_\gamma, \lambda_N \rightarrow \lambda_V, \lambda'_N$, depend on W, Q^2 and p_T

- $\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}$ decomposes into nine matrices $\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha$ corresponding to different photon polarisation states
 $\alpha = 0 - 3$ - transv., 4 - long., 5 - 8 - interf.

- Another notation: when contributions from transverse and longitudinal photons cannot be separated

notation introduced in (K.Schilling and K. Wolf, NP B 61 (1973) 381)

$$r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^{04} = (\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^0 + \epsilon R \rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^4) (1 + \epsilon R)^{-1},$$

$$r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha = \begin{cases} \rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha (1 + \epsilon R)^{-1}, & \alpha = 1, 2, 3, \\ \sqrt{R} \rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha (1 + \epsilon R)^{-1}, & \alpha = 5, 6, 7, 8. \end{cases} \quad R = \sigma_L / \sigma_T$$

Vector meson spin-density matrix (2)

Access to helicity amplitudes allows:

- test of s-channel helicity conservation (SCHC) ($\lambda_\gamma = \lambda_V$)
- quantify the role of transitions with helicity flip
- decomposition into Natural (N) Parity and Unnatural (U) Parity exchange amplitudes

$$F_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N} = T_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N} + U_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N}$$

- e.g. in Regge framework NPE: $J^P = (0^+, 1^-, \dots)$ (pomeron, ρ , ω , $a_2 \dots$ reggeons)
UPE: $J^P = (0^-, 1^+, \dots)$ (π , a_1 , $b_1 \dots$ reggeons)
- tests of GPD models
 - e.g. for SCHC-violating transitions $\gamma_T \rightarrow V_L$ test sensitivity to GPDs with exchanged-quark helicity flip (transversity GPDs)
- extraction of $R = \sigma_L / \sigma_T$ in the case of SCHC violation

- in the COMASS SDME analyses all above-mentioned tasks are addressed

Experimental access to SDMEs

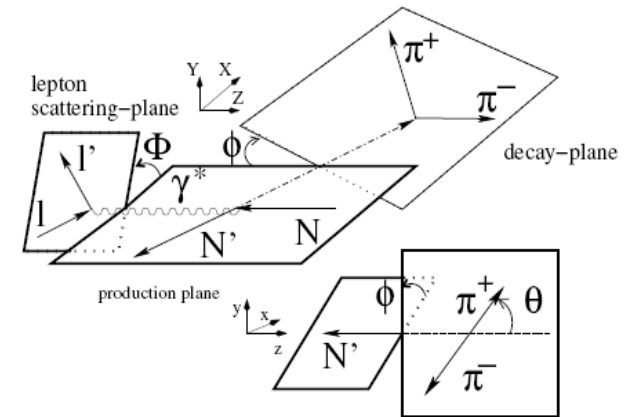
$$W^{U+L}(\Phi, \phi, \cos \Theta) = W^U(\Phi, \phi, \cos \Theta) + P_B W^L(\Phi, \phi, \cos \Theta) \propto \frac{d\sigma}{d\Phi d\phi d\cos \Theta}$$

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

[K. Schilling and G. Wolf,
Nucl. Phys. B61, 381 (1973)]

$$W^L = \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left[\sqrt{1 - \epsilon^2} \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}(r_{10}^3)\sin 2\Theta \sin \phi + \text{Im}(r_{1-1}^3)\sin^2 \Theta \sin 2\phi \right) \right. \\ \left. + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1 - \epsilon)}\cos \Phi \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}(r_{10}^7)\sin 2\Theta \sin \phi + \text{Im}(r_{1-1}^7)\sin^2 \Theta \sin 2\phi \right) \right. \\ \left. + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1 - \epsilon)}\sin \Phi \left(r_{11}^8 \sin^2 \Theta + r_{00}^8 \cos^2 \Theta \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}(r_{10}^8)\sin 2\Theta \cos \phi \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - r_{1-1}^8 \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi \right) \right]$$

for ρ^0



for ω angle Θ between direction of ω
and normal to decay plane

Experimental access to SDMEs (2)

$$W^{U+L}(\Phi, \phi, \cos \Theta) = W^U(\Phi, \phi, \cos \Theta) + P_B W^L(\Phi, \phi, \cos \Theta) \propto \frac{d\sigma}{d\Phi d\phi d\cos \Theta}$$

SDMEs: „amplitudes” of decomposition of W^{U+L} in the sum of 23 terms with different angular dependences

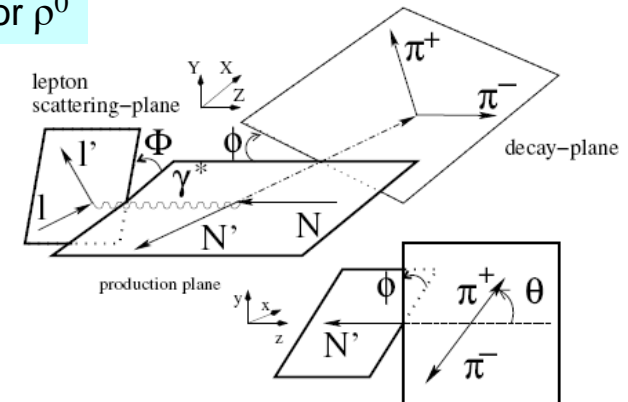
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15 unpolarised SDMEs (in W^U) and 8 polarised (in W^L)

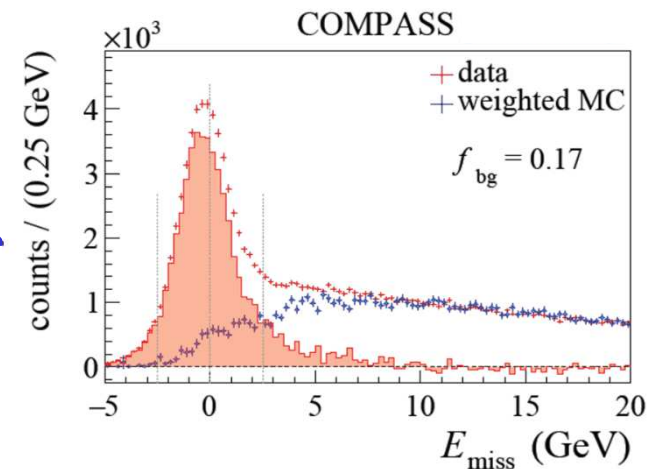
Extraction of SDMEs

- Unbinned ML fit to experimental W^{U+L} taking into account
 - total acceptance
 - fraction of background in the signal window
 - angular distribution of background W^{U+L}_{bkg} (determined either from LEPTO MC or real data side band)

for ρ^0



for ω angle Θ between direction of ω and normal to decay plane



Results on SDMEs for exclusive ρ^0 production for total kin. range

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

$$5 \text{ GeV} < W < 17 \text{ GeV}$$

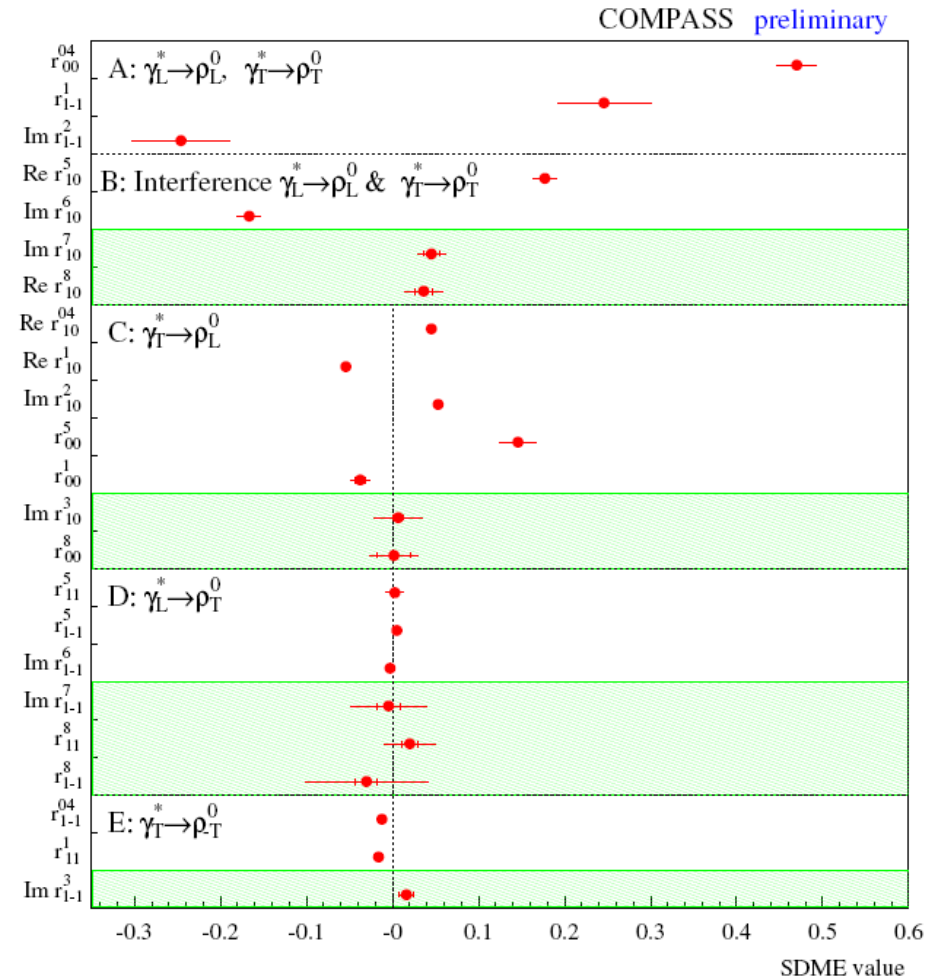
$$0.01 \text{ GeV}^2 < p_T^2 < 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$\langle Q^2 \rangle = 2.4 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$\langle W \rangle = 9.9 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\langle p_T^2 \rangle = 0.18 \text{ GeV}^2$$

- SDMEs grouped in classes: A, B, C, D, E corresponding to different helicity transitions
- SDMEs coupled to the beam polarisation shown within green areas
- if SCHC holds all elements in classes C, D, E should be 0



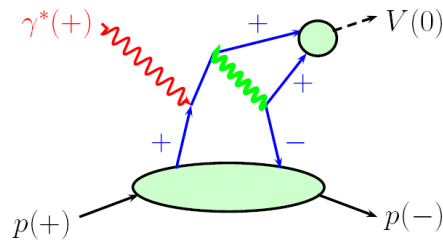
not obeyed for transitions $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_L$

Transitions $\gamma^*_T \rightarrow \rho_L$

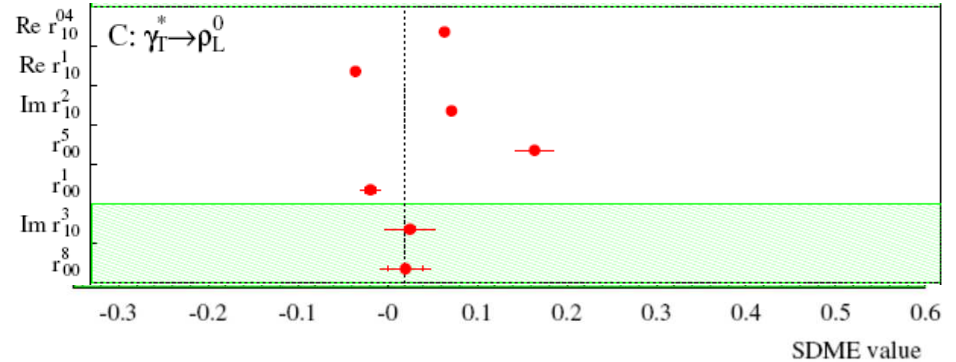
possible GPD interpretation **Goloskokov and Kroll, EPJC 74 (2014) 2725**

contribution of amplitudes depending on chiral-odd ("transversity") GPDs $H_T, \bar{E}_T = 2\tilde{H}_T + E_T$

example ➔
graph for amplitude $F_{0-,++}$



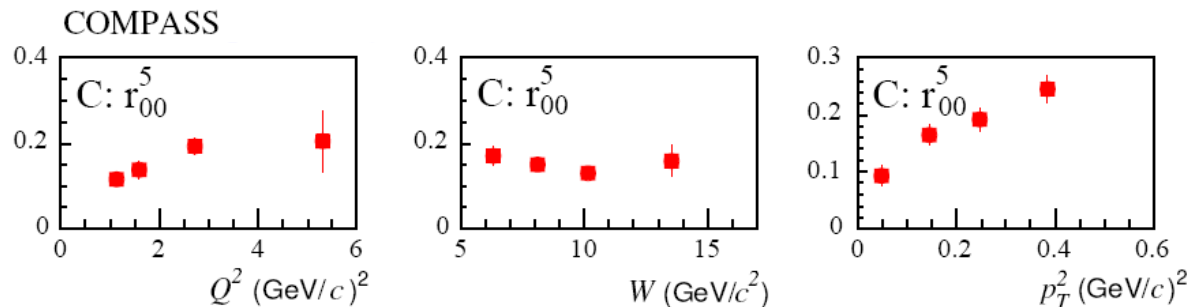
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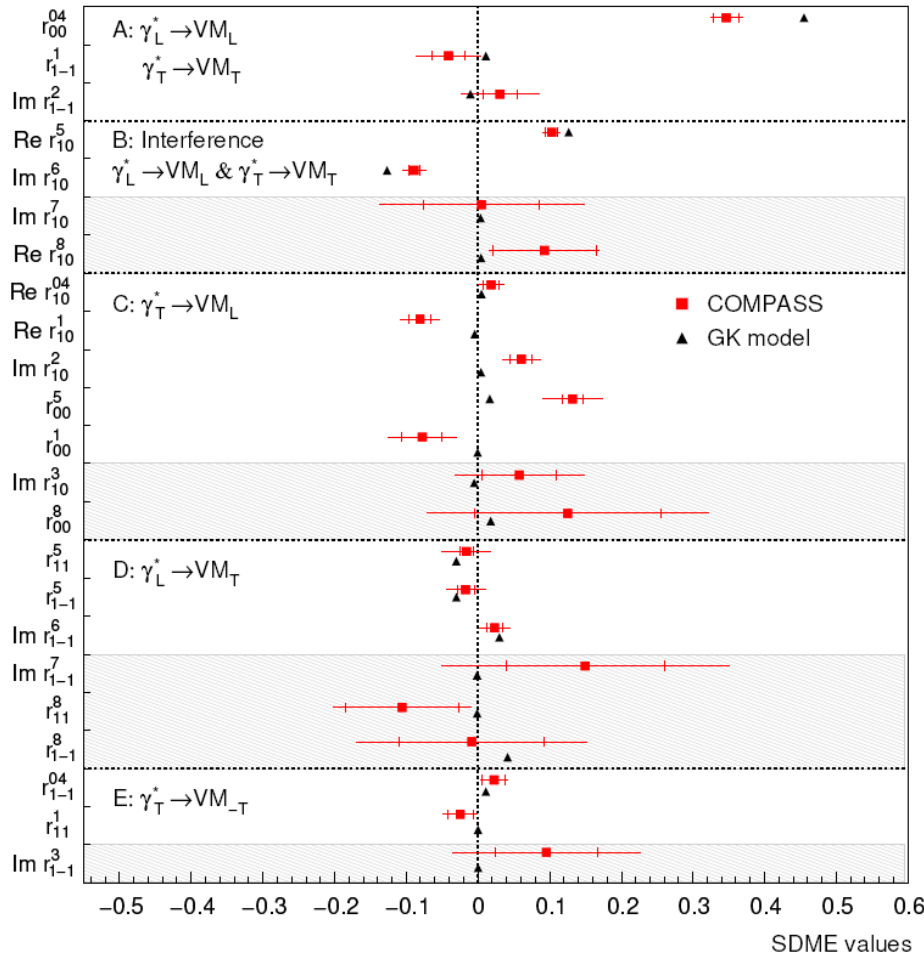
- $$r_{00}^5 \propto \text{Re}[\langle \bar{E}_T \rangle_{LT}^* \langle H \rangle_{LL} + \frac{1}{2} \langle H_T \rangle_{LT}^* \langle E \rangle_{LL}]$$
Goloskokov and Kroll, ref. above

interplay of interference of transversity GPDs $H_T, \bar{E}_T = 2\tilde{H}_T + E_T$ with GPDs E and H

for ρ^0 the first term in Eq. (•) dominates, thus r_{00}^5 essentially probes \bar{E}_T



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 $5 \text{ GeV} < W < 17 \text{ GeV}$
 $0.01 \text{ GeV}^2 < p_T^2 < 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

$\langle Q^2 \rangle = 2.1 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $\langle W \rangle = 7.6 \text{ GeV}$
 $\langle p_T^2 \rangle = 0.16 \text{ GeV}^2$

GK model, EPJA 50 (2014) 146 (1st version)

parameters constrained mostly by HERMES results for ρ^0 and ω

➤ COMPASS provides new constraints for parameterisation of the model

❖ ρ^0 and ω results for class C complementary

● $r_{00}^5 \propto \text{Re}[\langle \bar{E}_T \rangle_{LT}^* \langle H \rangle_{LL} + \frac{1}{2} \langle H_T \rangle_{LT}^* \langle E \rangle_{LL}]$

$\langle K \rangle_{XY} =$
 for ρ^0 $\langle e_u K_u - e_d K_d + \dots \rangle_{XY}$
 for ω $\langle e_u K_u + e_d K_d + \dots \rangle_{XY}$

\bar{E}_T and H have the same signs for u and d quarks
 H_T and E have opposite signs for u and d quarks

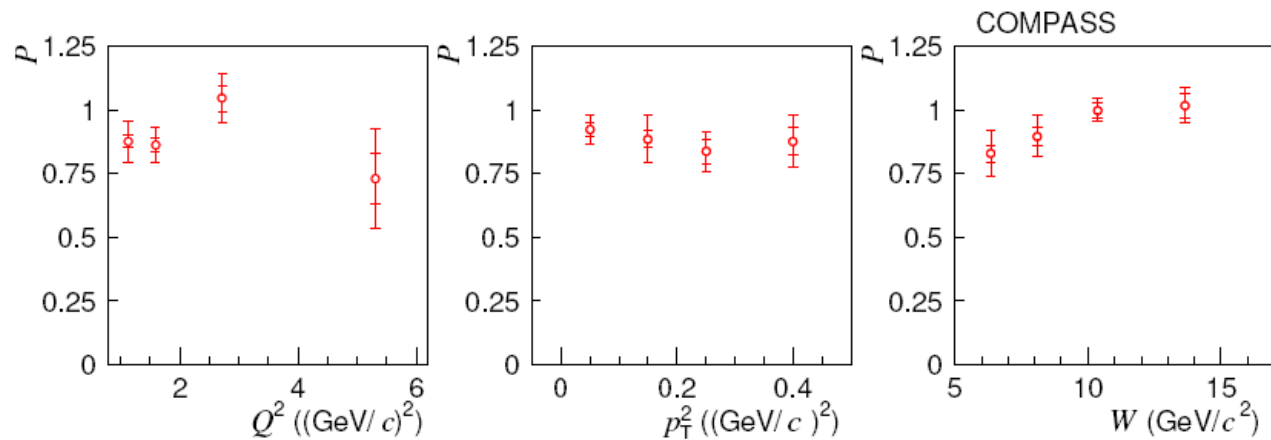
for ω the first term in Eq. (●) still dominates, but sensitivity to H_T is enhanced compared to ρ^0

NPE-to-UPE asymmetry of cross sections

NPE-to-UPE asymmetry of cross sections for transitions $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T$

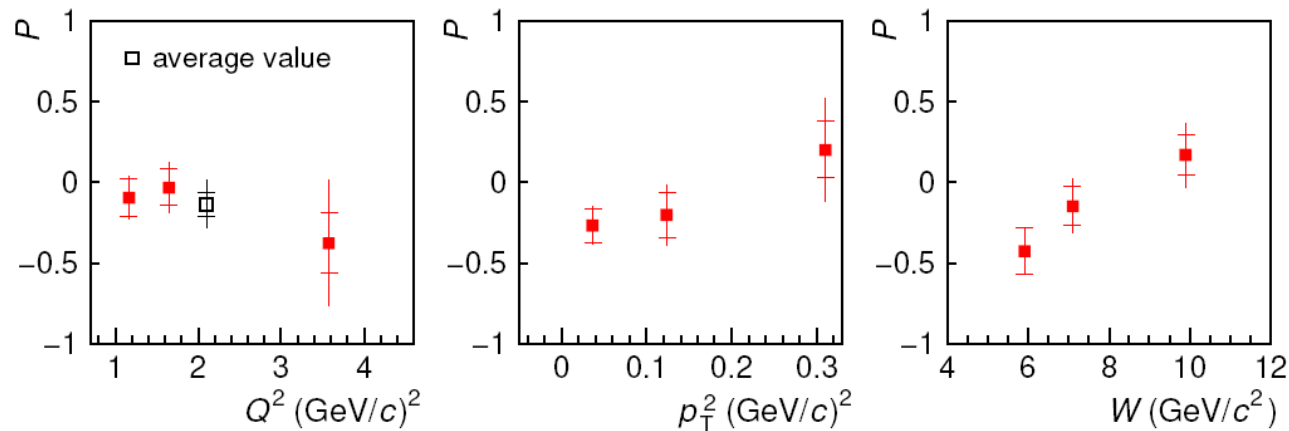
$$P = \frac{2r_{1-1}^1}{1 - r_{00}^{04} - 2r_{1-1}^{04}} \approx \frac{d\sigma_T^N(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T) - d\sigma_T^U(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T)}{d\sigma_T^N(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T) + d\sigma_T^U(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T)}$$

ρ^0



➤ dominance of NPE

ω



➤ UPE dominates at small W and p_T^2

averaged over kin. range
NPE \approx UPE

Extraction of R

- Most of the previous analyses commonly assumed SCHC hypothesis

In such case $R = \frac{\sigma_L(\gamma_L^* \rightarrow V)}{\sigma_T(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V)}$ is approximated by $R' = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{r_{00}^{04}}{1 - r_{00}^{04}}$

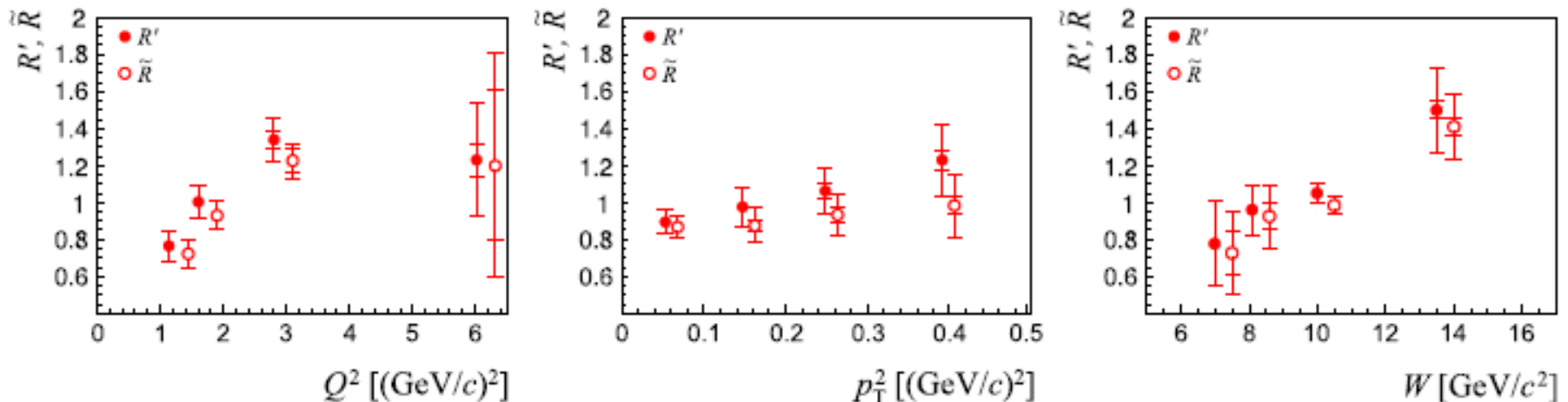
- To include effect of helicity-changing amplitudes one can use $\tilde{R} = R' - \frac{\eta(1 + \epsilon R')}{\epsilon(1 + \eta)}$

with $\eta = \frac{(1 + \epsilon R')}{N} \sum \{|T_{01}|^2 + |U_{01}|^2 - 2\epsilon(|T_{10}|^2 + |U_{10}|^2)\}$

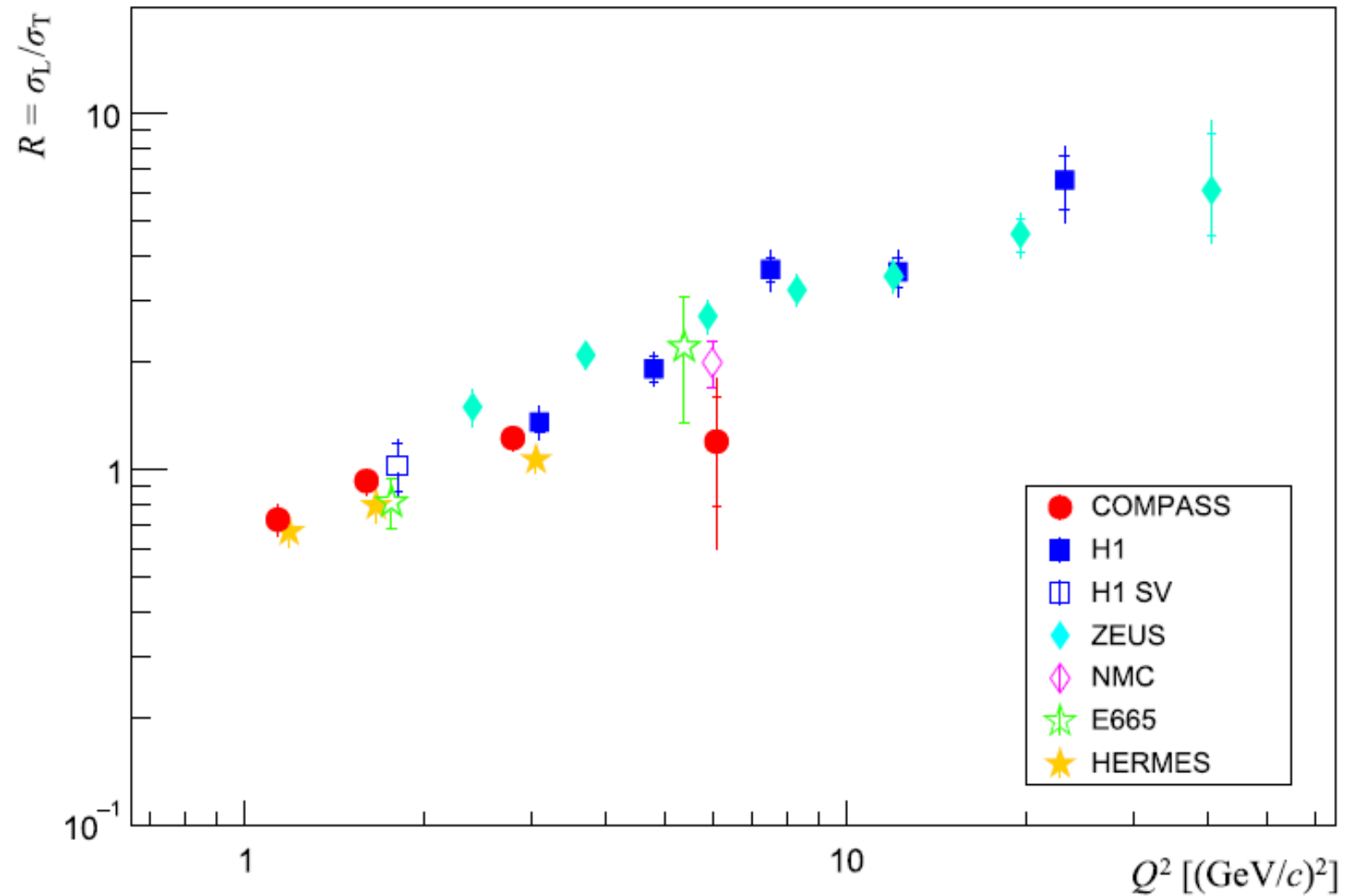
as proposed in A. Airapetian et al. (HERMES Collab.) EPJC **62**, 659 (2009)

η can be approximately estimated as $\eta \approx (1 + \epsilon R')(\tau_{01}^2 - 2\epsilon\tau_{10}^2)$ with τ_{01}^2 and τ_{10}^2 denoting fractions of contributions to the cross section from NPE processes $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_L^0$ and $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_T^0$

Comparison between both COMPASS estimates; on average the correction to $R' \approx -0.07$



Q^2 dependence of R



- HERMES and COMPASS results corrected for contribution of T_{01} and T_{10} ; H1 for contr. of T_{01}
- For other experiments SCHC hypothesis assumed

Outlook

➤ from the large data sample collected in 2016+2017

with LH₂ target, RPD and **wide-angle** electromagnetic calorimetry
collected statistic ~ 10 larger than from 2012 test run

Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering:

- t-dependence of DVCS cross section vs. x_{Bj} („proton tomography”)
- mapping GPD H by measurements **real** and **imaginary** parts of DVCS
via ϕ -dependence the μ^+ and μ^- cross sections **difference** and **sum**

Hard Exclusive Meson Production:

- differential cross section for π^0 vs. Q^2 , ν (W), t (p_T^2), ϕ
- differential cross sections and SDMEs for VMs vs. Q^2 , ν (W), t (p_T^2)

Spares

Selection of exclusive ρ^0 sample for SDMEs analysis



Topological selection: scattered muon

+ two hadrons with opposite charges

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

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

$$0.01 < p_T^2 < 0.5 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$$

$$0.1 < y < 0.9$$

$$\nu > 20 \text{ GeV}$$

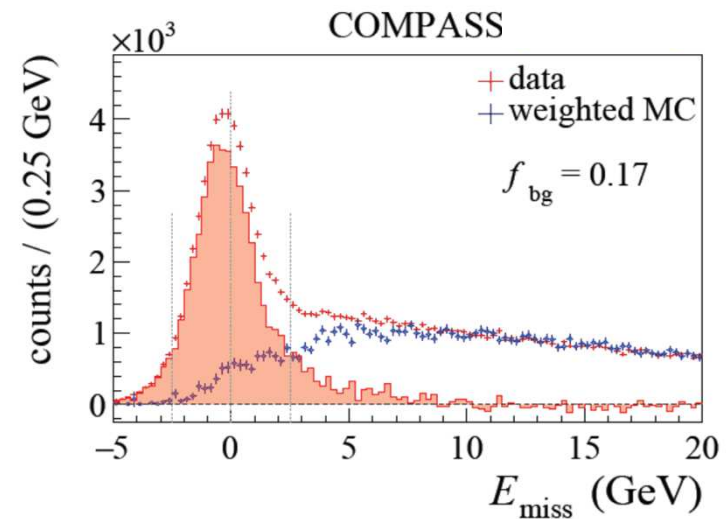
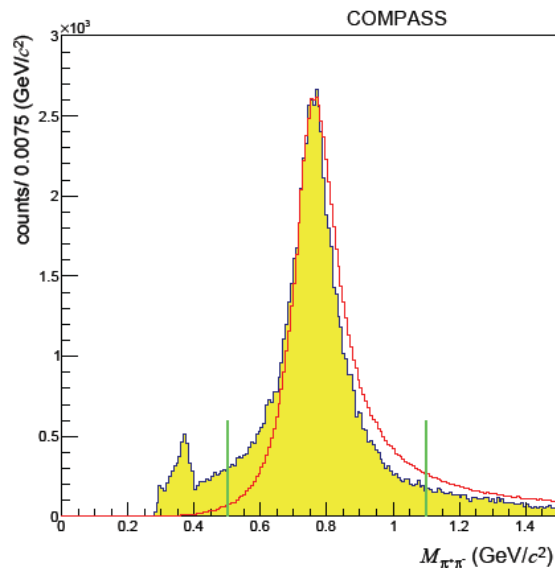
$$|E_{\text{miss}}| < 2.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$E_{\text{miss}} = \frac{(M_X^2 - M_\rho^2)}{(2M_\rho)}$$

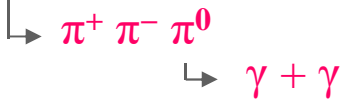
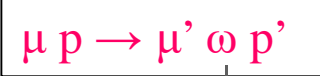
After all selections and cuts

$\approx 52\,200$ evts

Recoil proton detector
not included in selections



Selection of exclusive ω sample for SDMEs analysis



Topological selection: scattered muon
 + two hadrons with opposite charges
 + two neutral clusters in calorimeters

Recoil proton detector
 not included in selections

- $1 < Q^2 < 10 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- $0.01 < p_T^2 < 0.5 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$
- $W > 5 \text{ GeV}$
- $0.1 < y < 0.9$
- $|E_{\text{miss}}| < 3 \text{ GeV}$

$$E_{\text{miss}} = \frac{(M_X^2 - M_p^2)}{(2M_p)}$$

After all selections
 $\approx 3\,000$ evts

