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A constructivist view of the nucleon

Wigner distributions

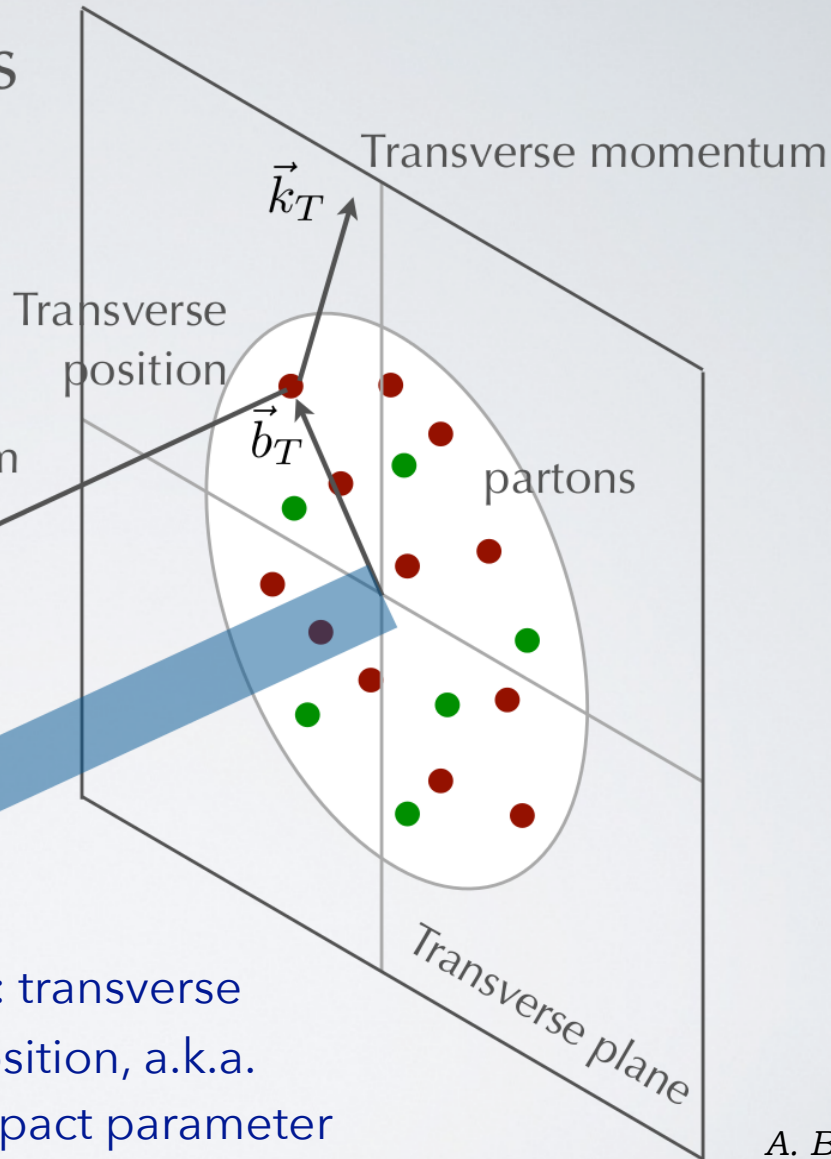
$$\rho(x, \vec{k}_T, \vec{b}_T)$$

*"phase space" distributions
of partons in a nucleon*

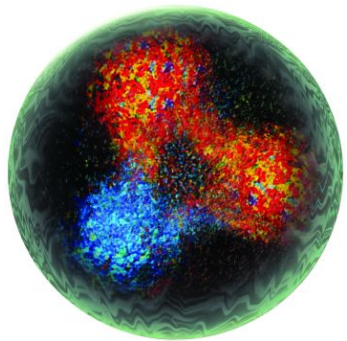
Longitudinal momentum

$$k^+ = xP^+$$

x : longitudinal
momentum
fraction carried
by struck parton



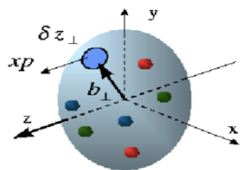
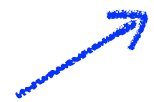
b_T : transverse
position, a.k.a.
impact parameter



*Wigner function:
full phase space parton
distribution of the nucleon*

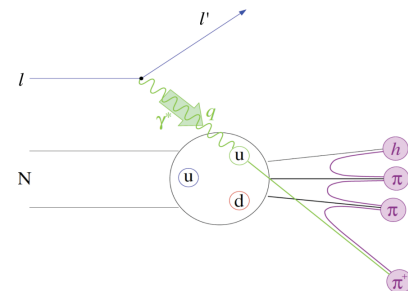
*Possible access via
exclusive di-jet production
or exclusive π^0 -production
at high Q^2 .*

Generalised Transverse Momentum
Distributions (GTMDs)



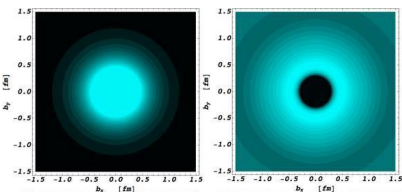
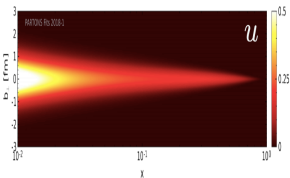
$$\int d^2 k_T$$

$$\int d^2 b_T$$



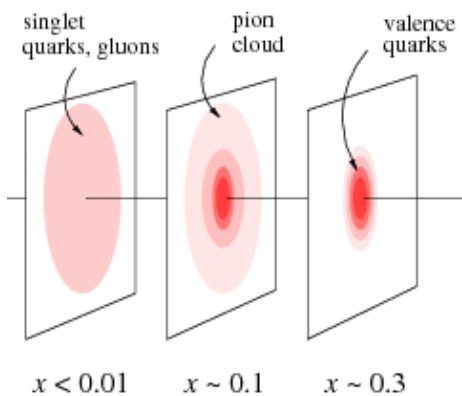
**Generalised Parton
Distributions (GPDs)**

Exclusive processes



$$\int dx$$

Form Factors
Elastic scattering

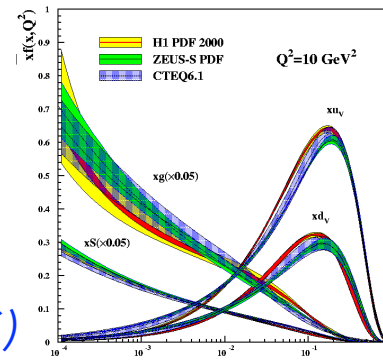


Transverse Momentum-
Dependent distributions
(TMDs)

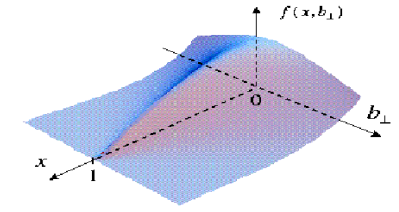
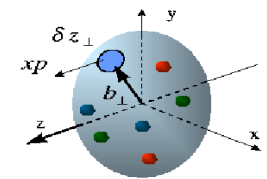
*Semi-inclusive DIS
(SIDIS)*

$$\int d^2 k_T$$

Parton Distribution
Functions (PDFs)
Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS)

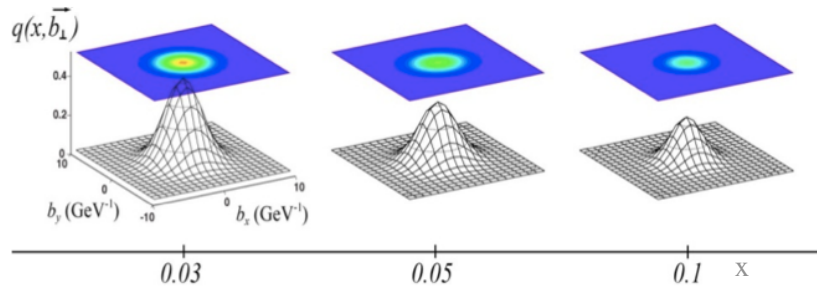


Generalised Parton Distributions



- proposed by Müller (1994), Radyushkin, Ji (1997).
- can be interpreted as relating, in the infinite momentum frame, transverse position of partons (impact parameter b_{\perp}) to longitudinal momentum fraction (x).

* **Tomography** of the nucleon: transverse spatial distributions of quarks and gluons in longitudinal momentum space.



* Information on the orbital angular momentum contribution to nucleon spin: **the spin puzzle**.

$$J_N = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Sigma_q + L_q + J_g$$

Ji's relation:

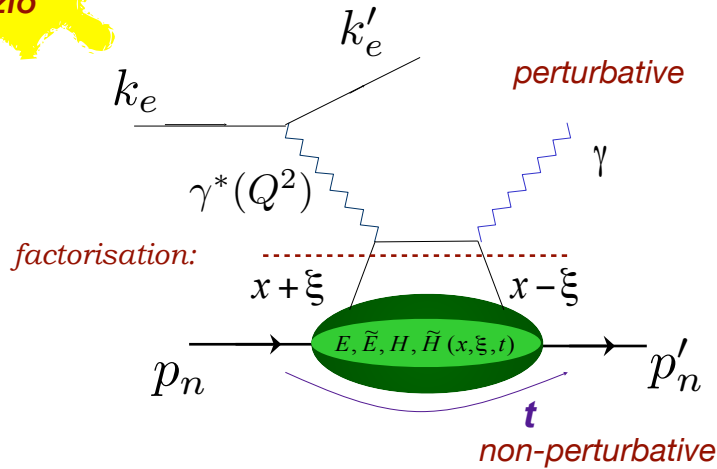
$$J^q = \frac{1}{2} - J^g = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x dx \left\{ H^q(x, \xi, 0) + E^q(x, \xi, 0) \right\}$$

* Indirect access to mechanical properties of the nucleon: possibilities of extracting **pressure distributions** within the nucleon.

* Combine with TMDs to access **spin-orbit correlations** of quarks and gluons, study non-perturbative interactions of partons.

Deeply Virtual Compton scattering

Talk by
Salvatore
Fazio



“Handbag” diagram

$$Q^2 = -(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}')^2 \quad t = (\mathbf{p}'_n - \mathbf{p}_n)^2$$

$$\text{Bjorken variable: } x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2\mathbf{p}_n \cdot \mathbf{q}}$$

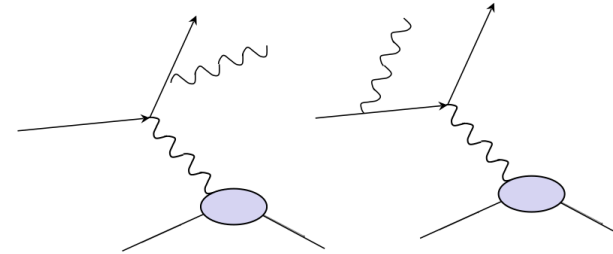
$x \pm \xi$ longitudinal momentum
fractions of the struck parton

$$\text{Skewness: } \xi \cong \frac{x_B}{2 - x_B}$$

- * At high exchanged Q^2 and low t access to four parton helicity-conserving, chiral-even GPDs:

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

- * Experimentally, measure DVCS, Bethe-Heitler and their interference:



$$d\sigma \propto |T_{DVCS}|^2 + |T_{BH}|^2 + T_{BH} T_{DVCS}^* + T_{DVCS} T_{BH}^*$$

- * Observables are parametrised in terms of Compton Form Factors (CFFs): complex functions where $\mathcal{R}e$ parts are integrals of GPDs over x and $\mathcal{I}m$ parts are GPDs at $x = \pm\xi$

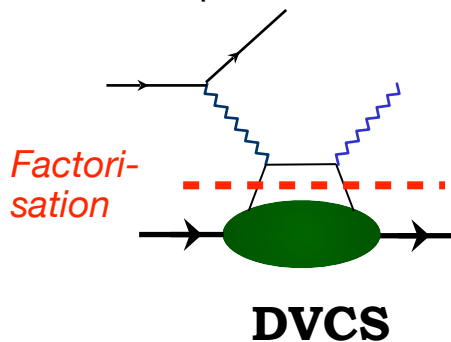
Experimental access to GPDs

Accessible in *exclusive* processes, where all final state particles are determined, eg:

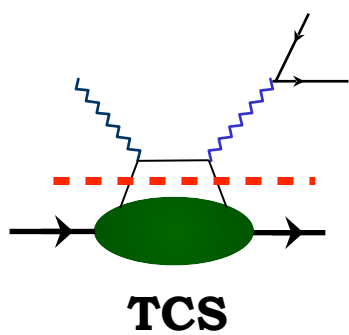
- * Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)
- * Time-like Compton Scattering (TCS)
- * Hard Exclusive Meson Production (HEMP) – a.k.a. Deeply Virtual Meson Production (DVMP)
- * Double DVCS
- * Certain diffractive processes, eg: diffractive ρ -production with the emission of a meson or virtual photon from the nucleon
- * Hard exclusive production of a meson-photon or photon-photon pair
- * Charged-current meson production, eg: $ep \rightarrow \nu_e \pi^- p$

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details

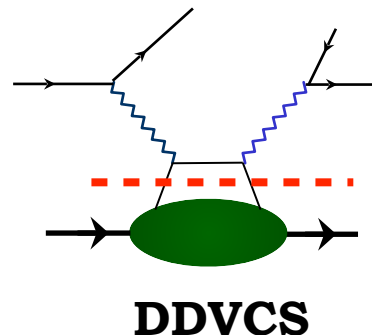
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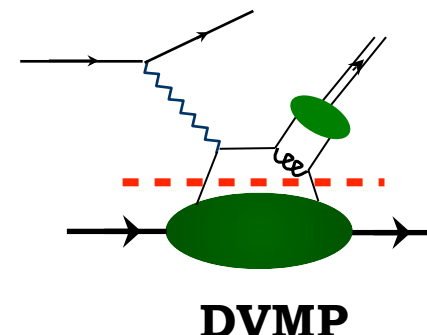
Virtual photon
space-like



Virtual photon
time-like



One time-like, one space-like
virtual photon



Virtual photon space-like

Experimental access to GPDs

Talks by Maria Čuić,
Paweł Sznajder,
plus many others

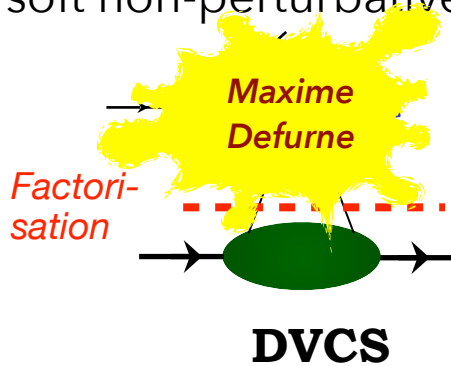
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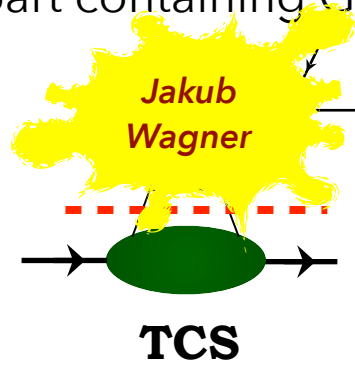
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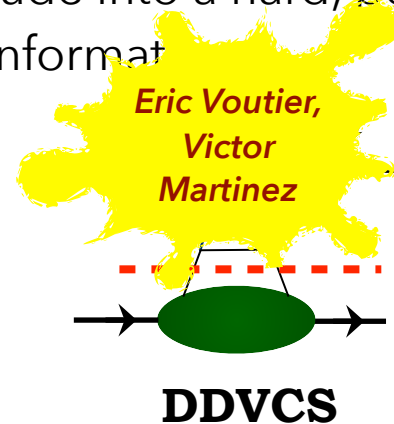
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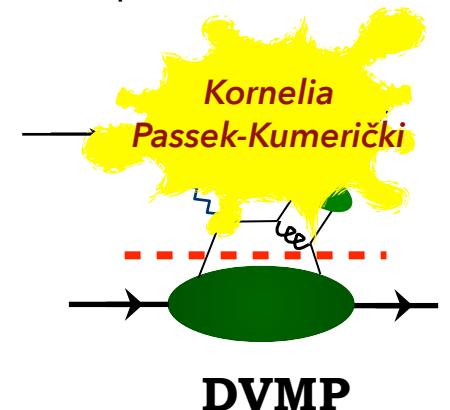
Virtual photon space-like



Virtual photon time-like



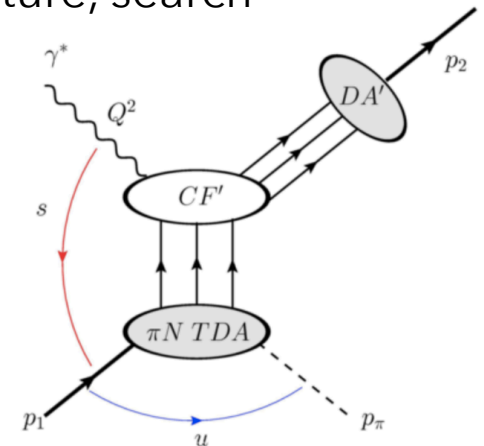
One time-like, one space-like virtual photon



Virtual photon space-like

Other motivations for exclusive processes

- * Exclusive near-threshold production of quarkonia is sensitive to the trace-anomaly of the QCD energy-momentum tensor: insight into the processes of **hadron mass generation**.
- * Scattering from the meson-cloud in the nucleon (Sullivan process): access to **form-factors and structure functions of mesons**.
- * Coherent diffractive meson-production in eA: probe of **gluon saturation**.
- * Incoherent diffractive meson-production in eA with spectator tagging: **medium-modifications**, short-range correlations.
- * Hadron **spectroscopy** (t-channel): another route to hadron structure, search for exotics.
- * U-channel meson production: access to **Transition Distribution Amplitudes** (TDAs), describing the process of a proton transitioning into a meson, sensitivity to diquark clustering in nucleon.



Electron-Ion Collider

World's first polarized electron-proton/light ion and electron-Nucleus collider.

For e-N collisions at the EIC:

- ✓ Polarized beams: e, p, d/³He
- ✓ e beam 3 - 10 (18) GeV
- ✓ Luminosity $L_{ep} \sim 10^{33-34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- ✓ 20 - 100 (140) GeV Variable CoM

For e-A collisions at the EIC:

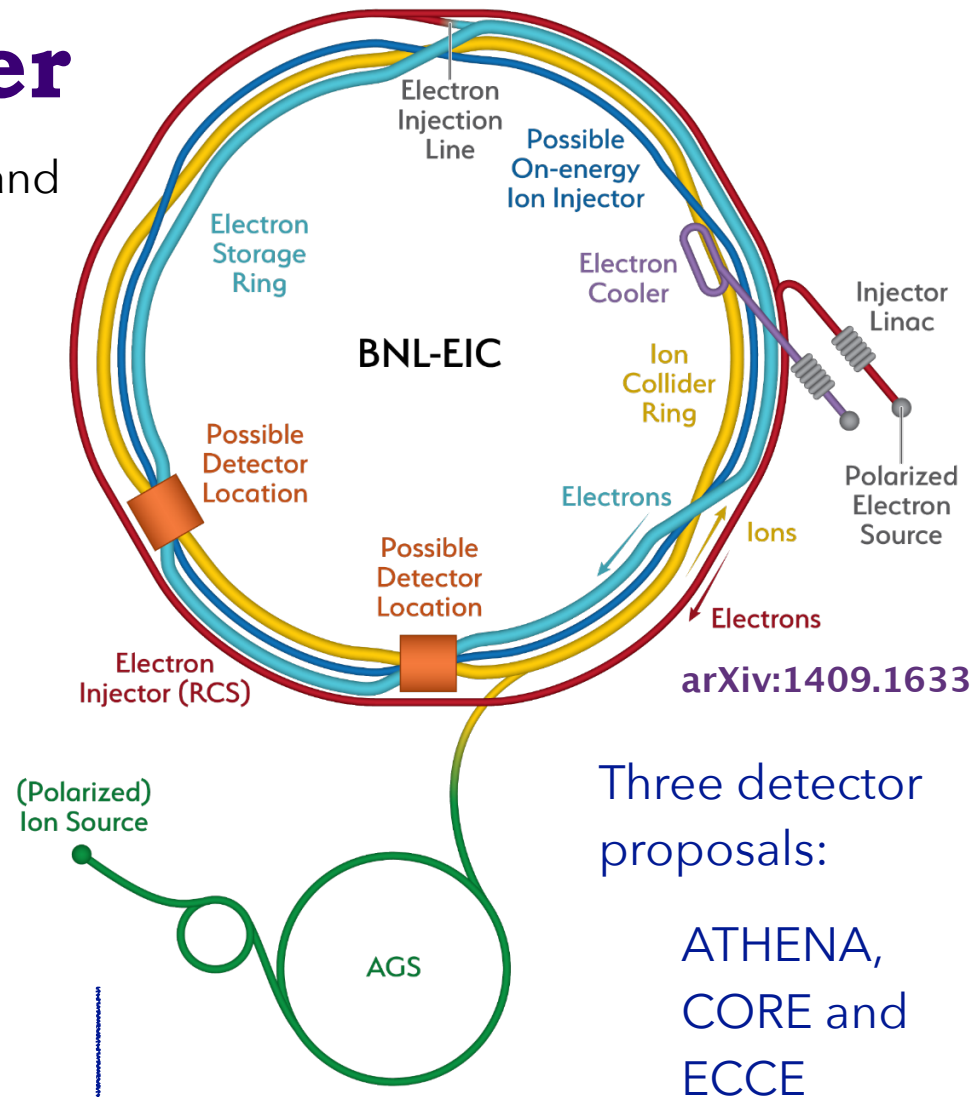
- ✓ Wide range of nuclei
- ✓ Luminosity per nucleon same as e-p
- ✓ Variable centre of mass energy

Brookhaven National Lab selected as the site

Dedicated studies of EIC physics and design:

EIC White Paper, *Eur. Phys. J. A* 52, 9 (2016)

EIC Yellow Report, *Nuc. Phys. A* 1026, 122447 (2022)



Three detector proposals:

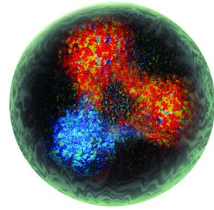
ATHENA,
CORE and
ECCE

Merged to form the new "Detector 1" collaboration: ePIC

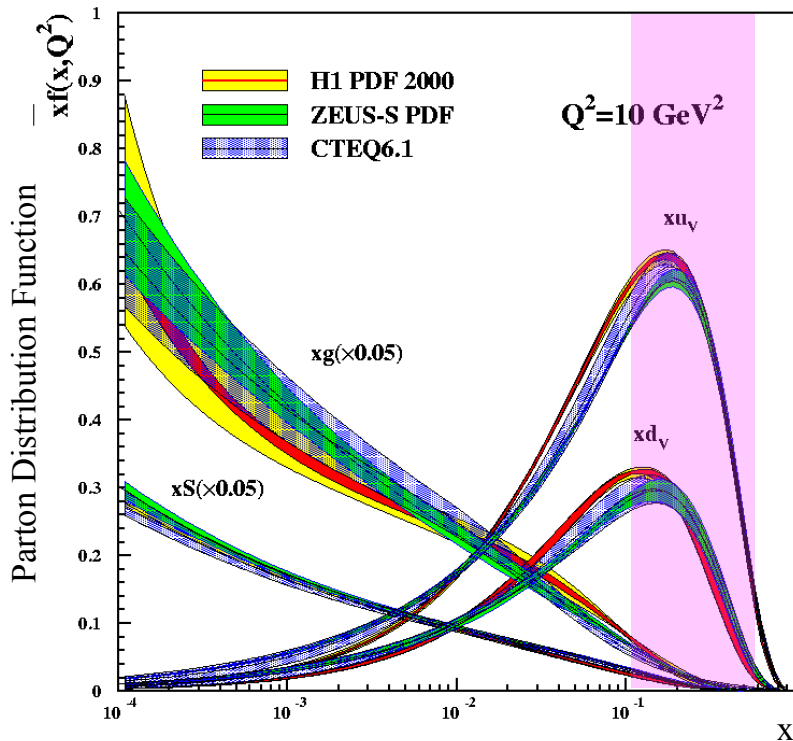
Nucleon at different scales

Valence quarks

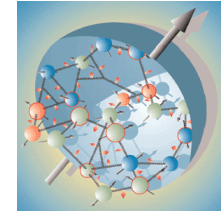
Jefferson Lab: fixed-target
electron scattering



$$0.1 < x_B < 0.7$$

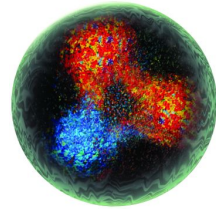


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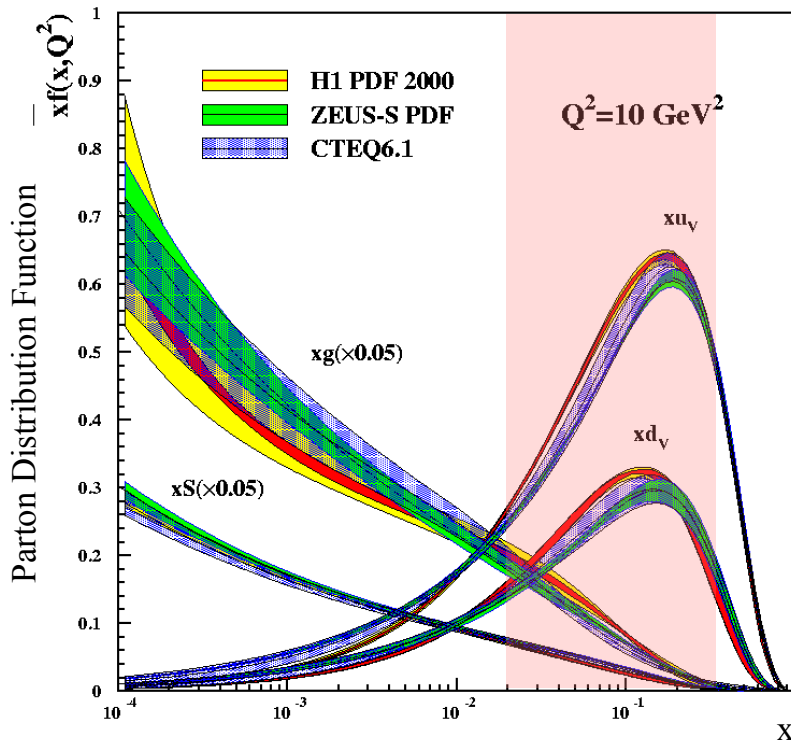
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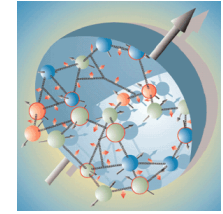


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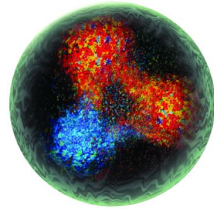


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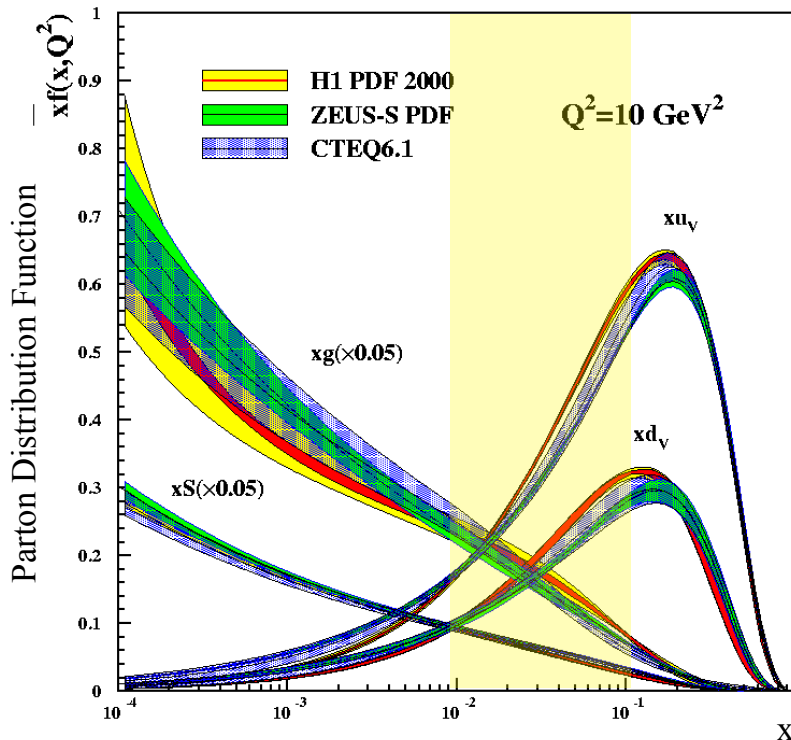
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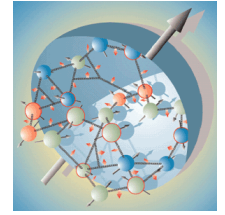


COMPASS: fixed-target muon scattering

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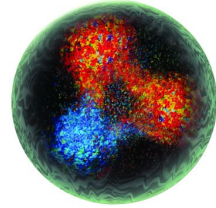


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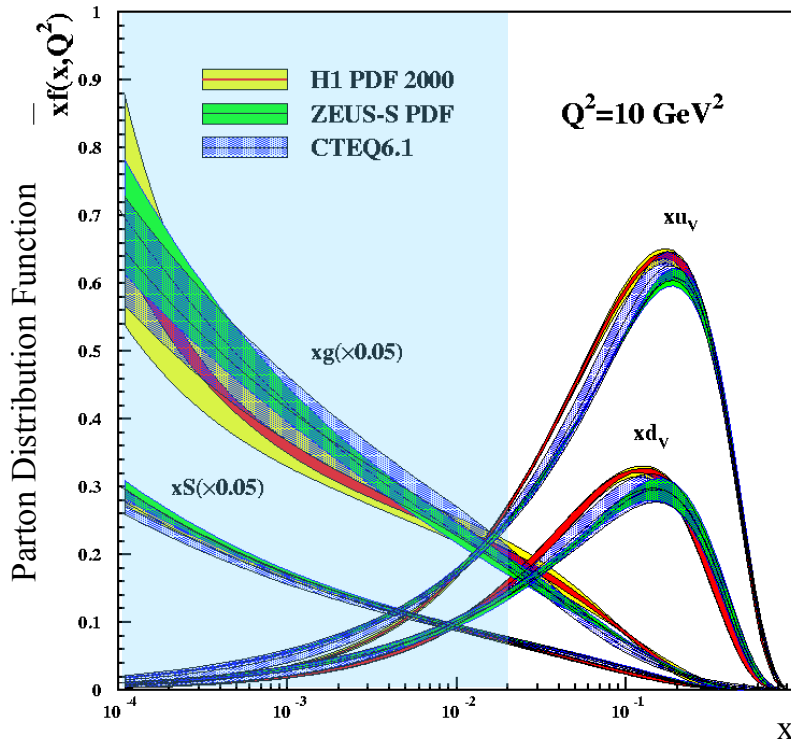
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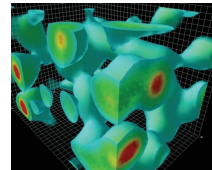
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The glue

ZEUS/H1: electron/positron-proton collider

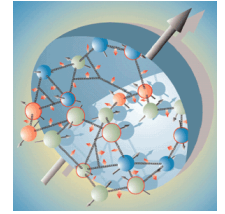
$$10^{-4} < x_B < 0.02$$



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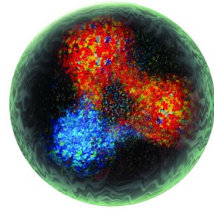


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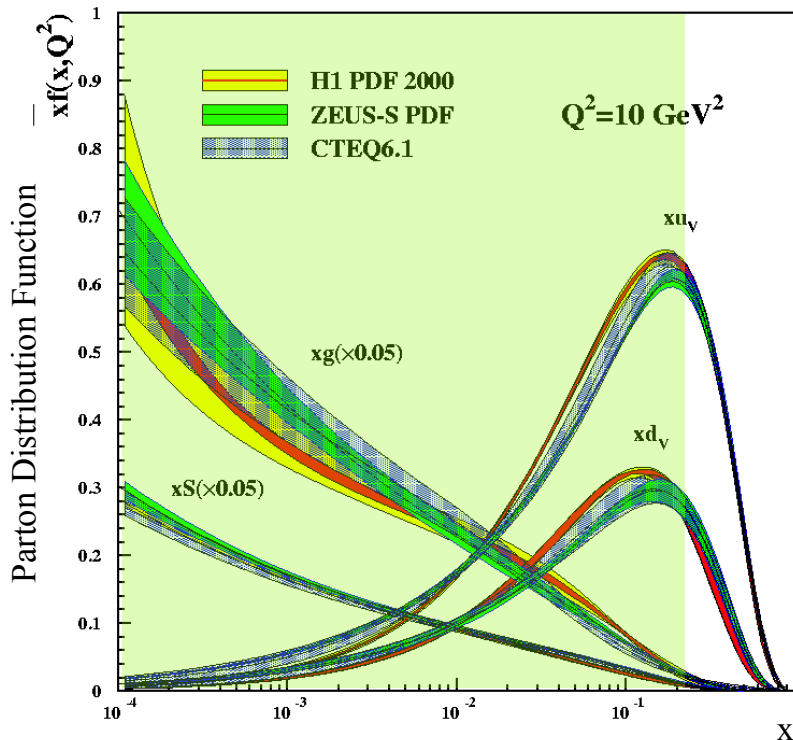


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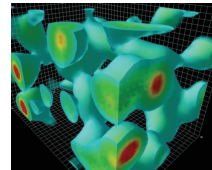
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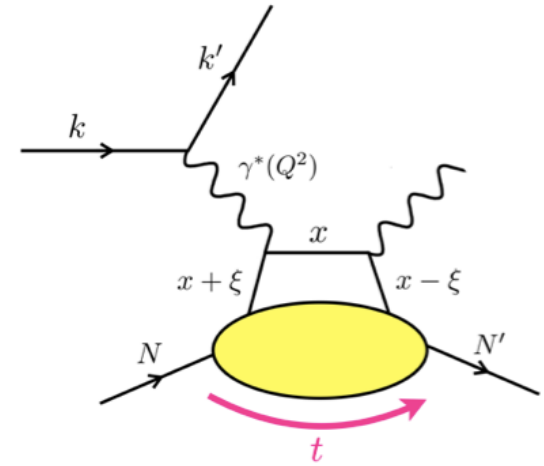
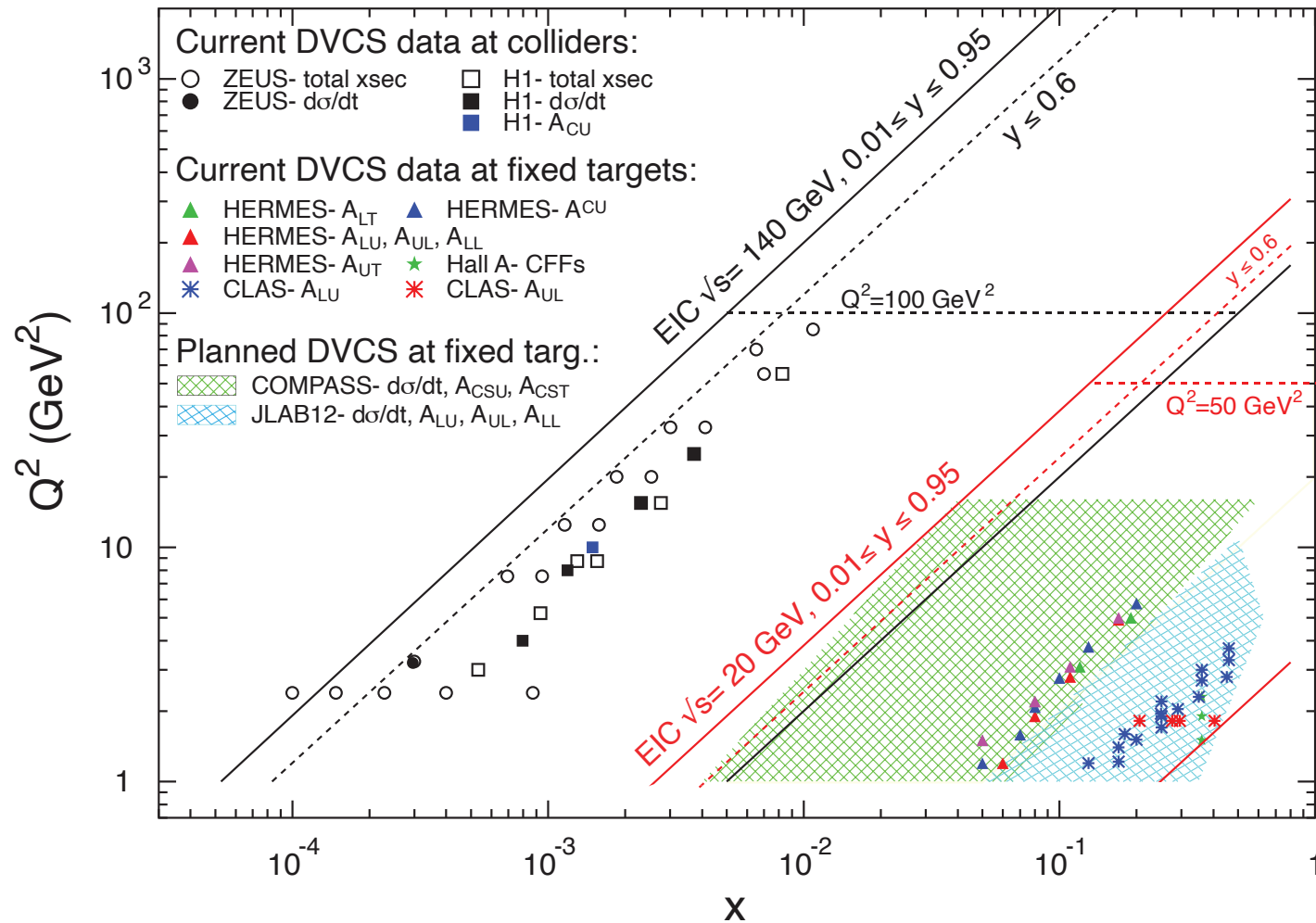
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EIC: $10^{-4} < x_B < 0.2$

Luminosity 100 - 1000 times that of HERA

EIC kinematic reach: DVCS



$$Q^2 = -(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}')^2$$

y : inelasticity

Detector requirements

4 π hermetic detector with low mass inner tracking.

Central detector, including a solenoid magnet: acceptance in $-4 < \eta < 4$, with full coverage in $|\eta| < 3.5$.

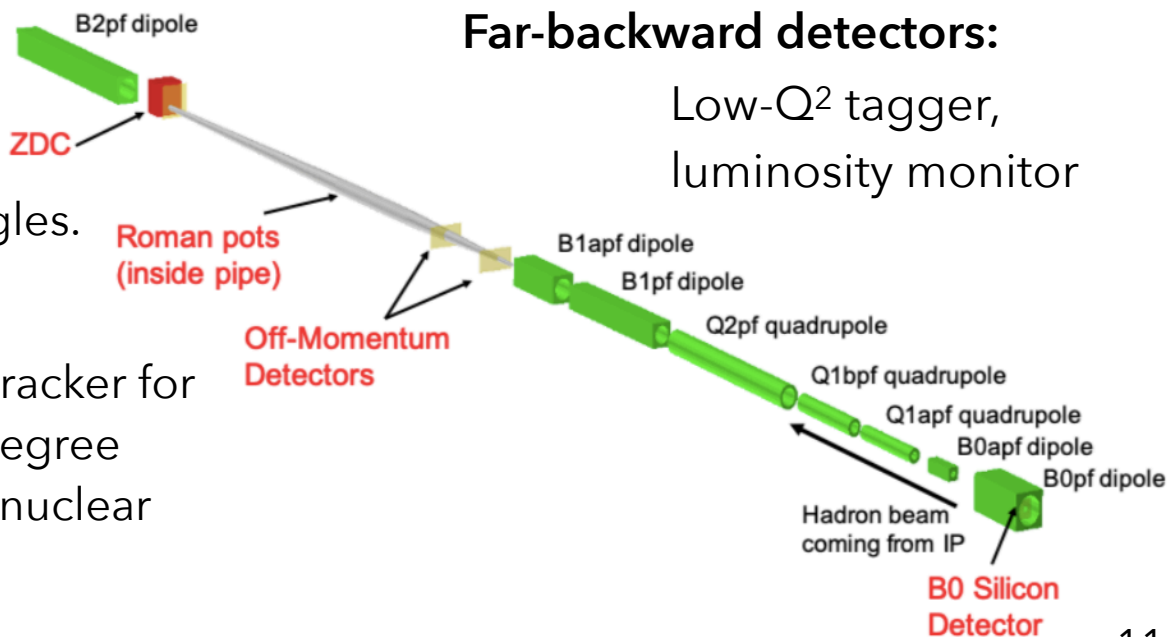
- Tracking and momentum measurement
- Electron ID
- Hadron ID
- Jet energy measurement

Barrel detector ($|\eta| < 1$) + two disc **end-caps** (forward/hadron end-cap and backward/electron endcap).

Far-forward detectors:

Far from interaction point, very low angles.

Roman Pots inside the beam pipe, B0 tracker for larger angles, large acceptance Zero degree Calorimeter (ZDC) to detect neutrons (nuclear breakup / neutral decay products)

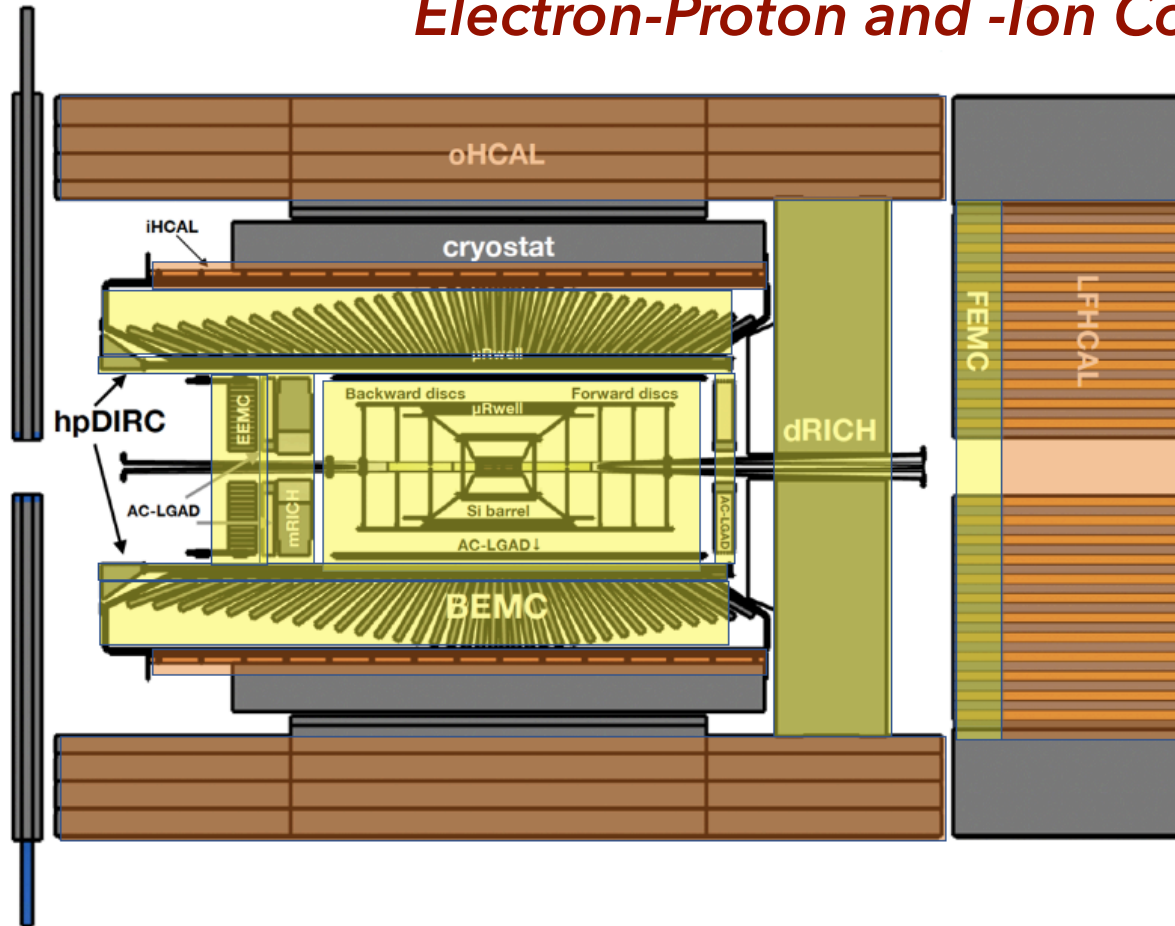


The ePIC detector

Electron-Proton and -Ion Collider detector

Result of the merging of ECCE and ATHENA collaborations.

electron beam



hadron beam



Particle ID (PID):

High time-resolution Si (AC-LGAD), Cherenkov detectors: RICH, DIRC.

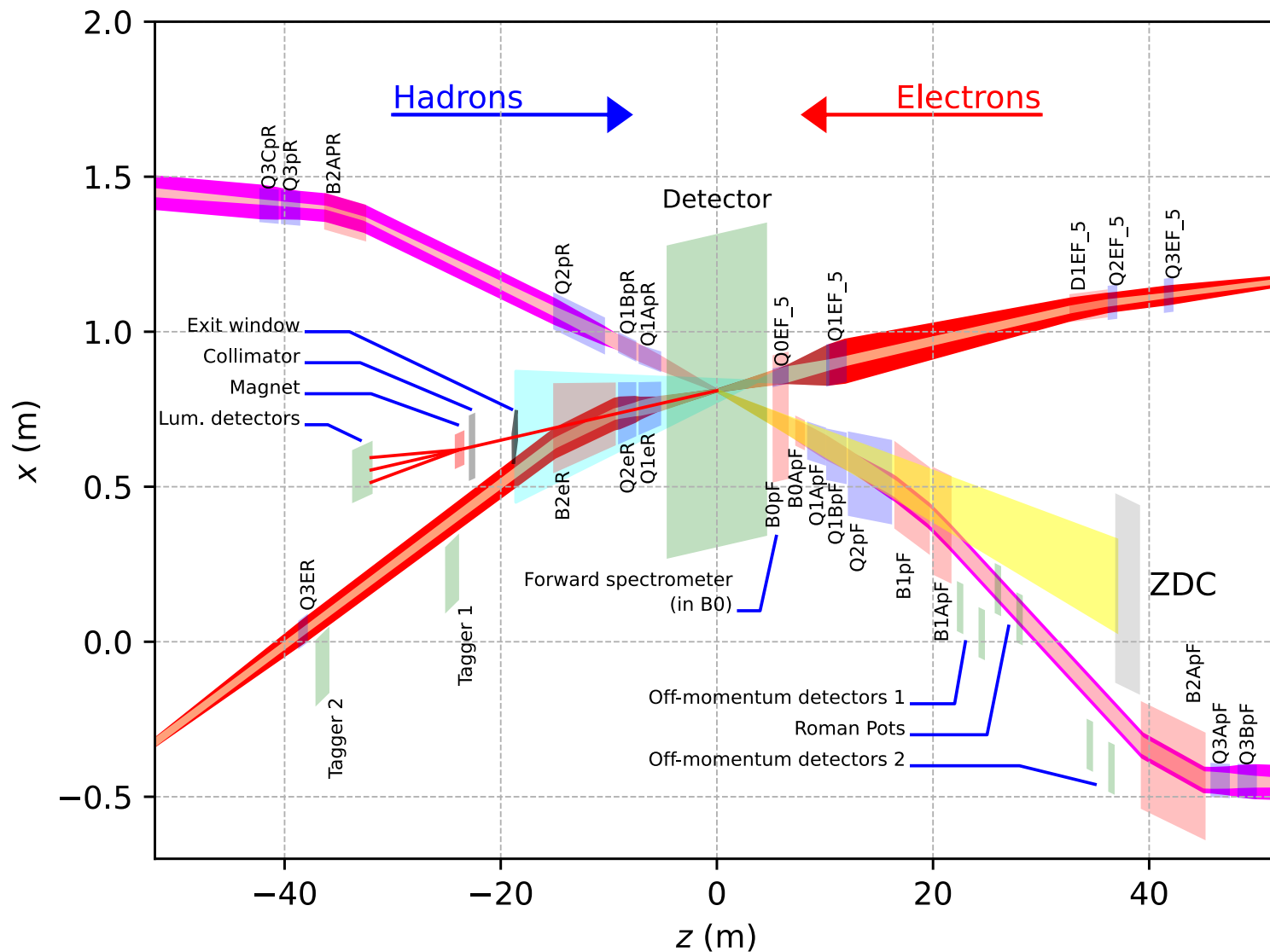
Calorimetry:

Range of EM and hadron calorimeters.

Tracking: New 1.7 T magnet (MARCO), to be built by Saclay.

Light-weight Si tracking (65nm MAPS), micro-pattern gaseous detectors (MPGDs).

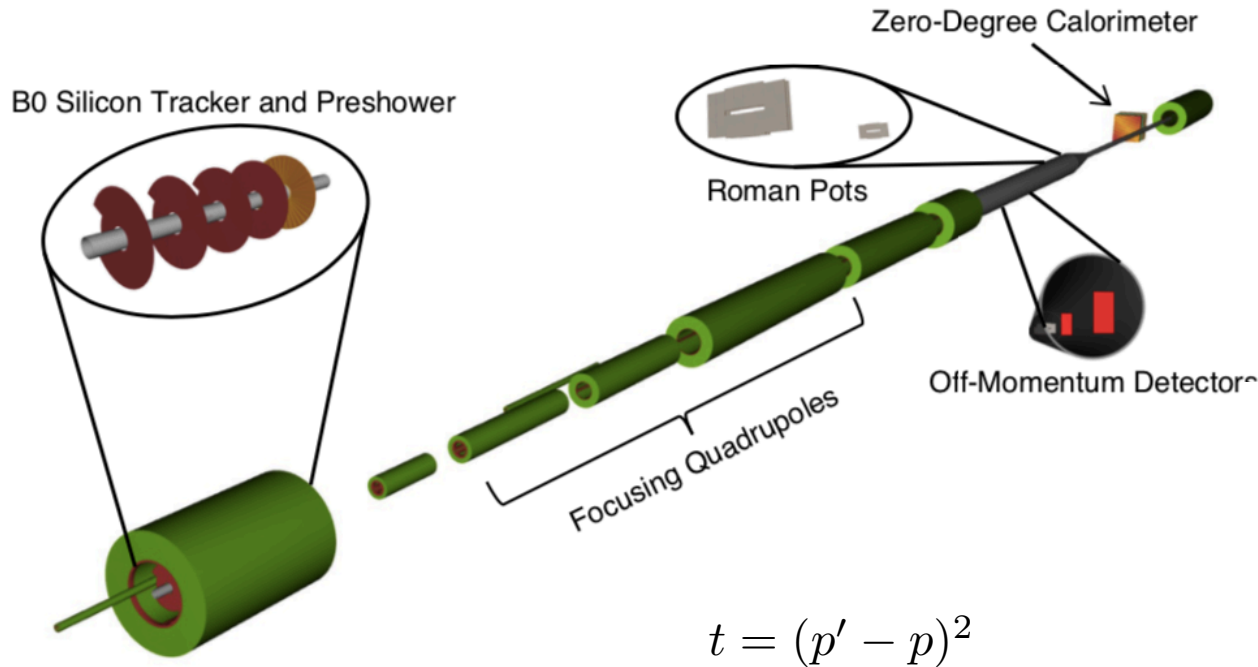
The Interaction Region @ IP6



Crossing angle for the beams: 25 mrad.

Recoil protons in ep

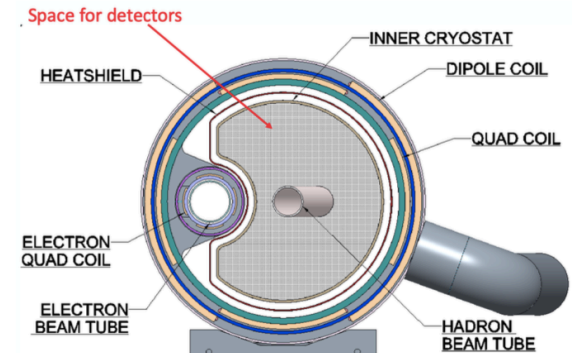
- * The impact parameter information in many exclusive processes is encoded in t , via a Fourier Transform. Require accurate measurement of t from as close to zero as possible and across a wide range in ep and $e(\text{light-A})$ collisions.
- * Scattered protons / light ions detected in Roman Pots (for the lowest values of t) and in the B0 spectrometers (for higher values).



ATHENA proposal



Hadron beam-pipe and Roman Pots in cross-section

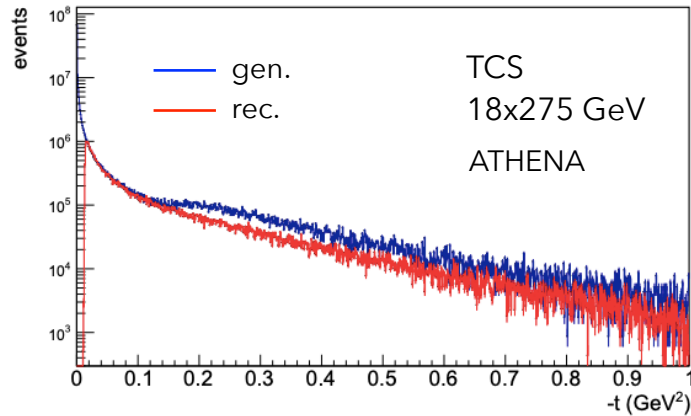


B0 spectrometer configuration

Recoil protons in ep

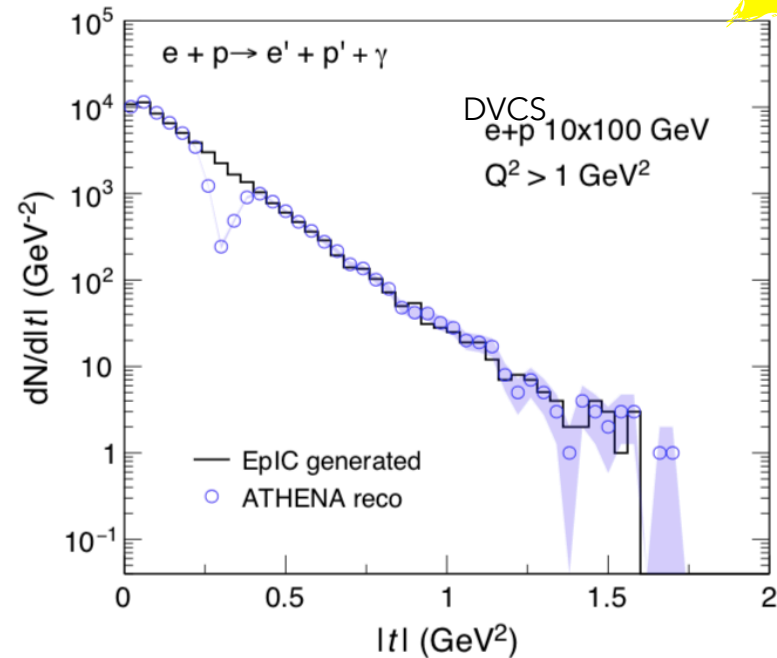
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*EpIC gen: talk
by Kemal
Tezgin*



Light ions bend less and the t -distribution drops faster: detection entirely in the Roman Pots.

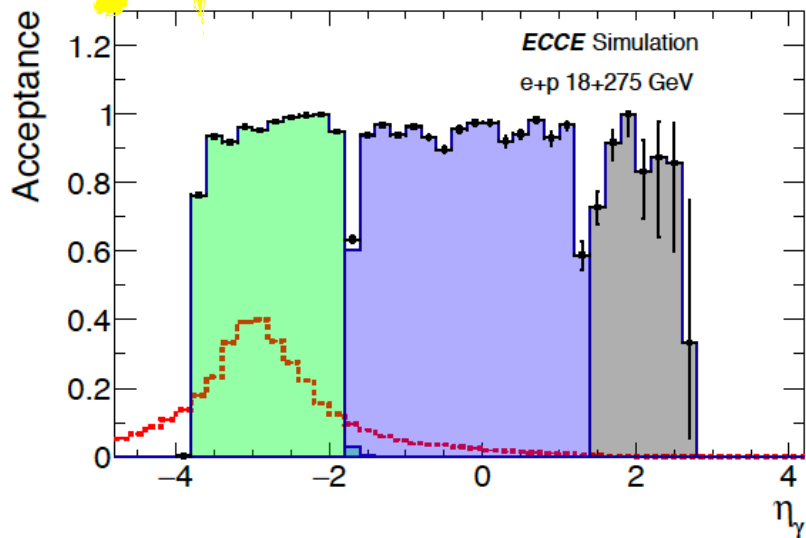
Can study coherent DVCS on He-4: spin-0, so coherent amplitude parametrised by one GPD. Also deuteron (but spin-1, too many GPDs!)



Dip in t -distribution is due to a gap between Roman Pots and B0 tracker: intrinsic to interaction region (IR). Gap position depends on proton beam-energy.

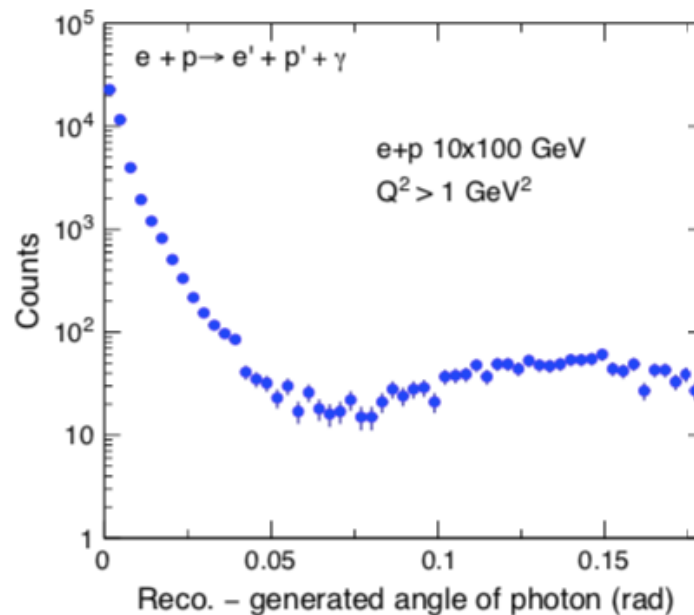
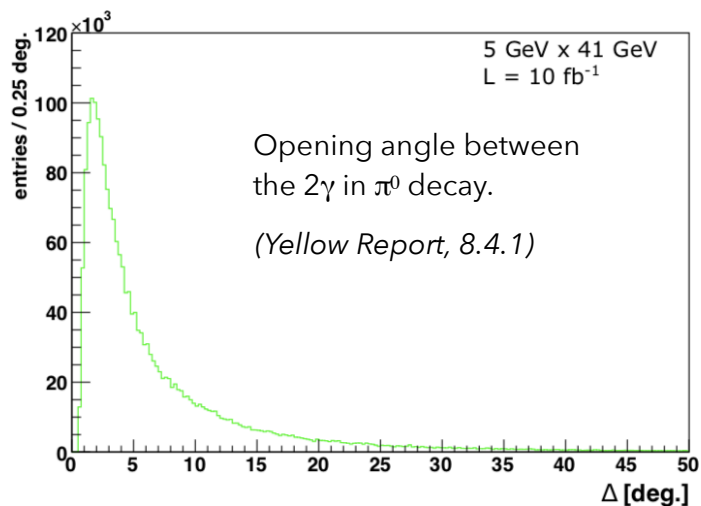
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Coherent DVCS at the EIC



Main background from meson-production of π^0 which decays into 2γ pairs:

- Minimise risk of missing one photon: practically hermetic calorimeter coverage.
- Good calorimeter resolution to ensure photon clusters don't merge.

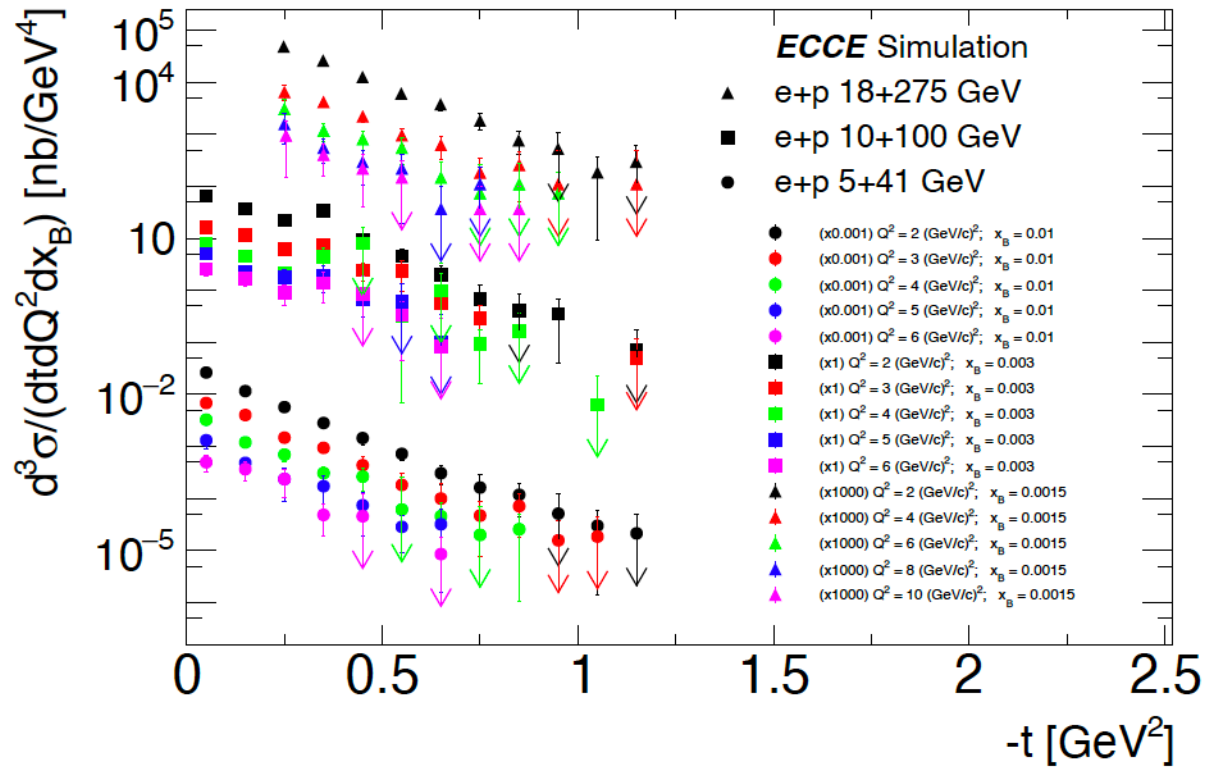


Difference between generated and reconstructed DVCS photon mainly $< 0.17\text{mrad}$ (1deg): smallest opening angle for π^0 decay.

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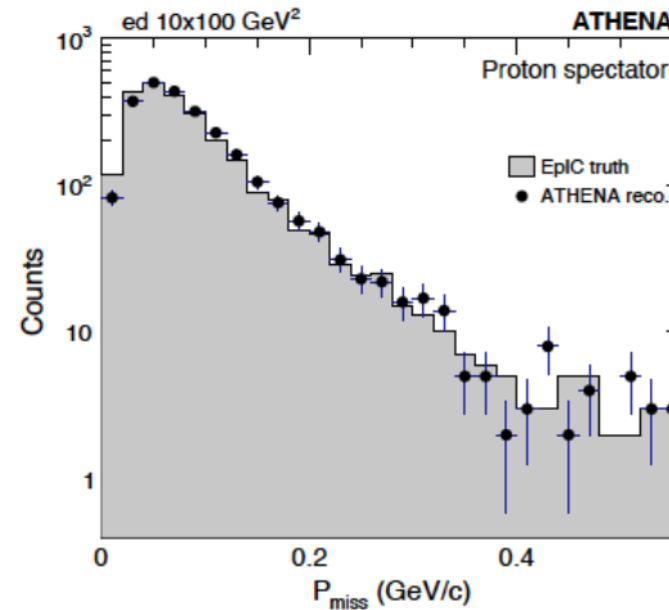
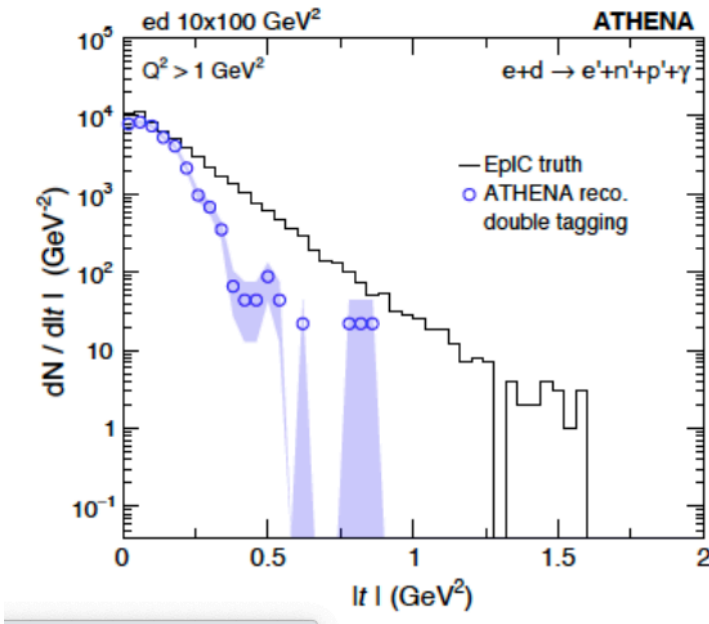
Plots: I. Korover (MIT)

- DVCS on the proton:



Multi-dimensional binning: strong constraints on extraction of Compton Form Factors.

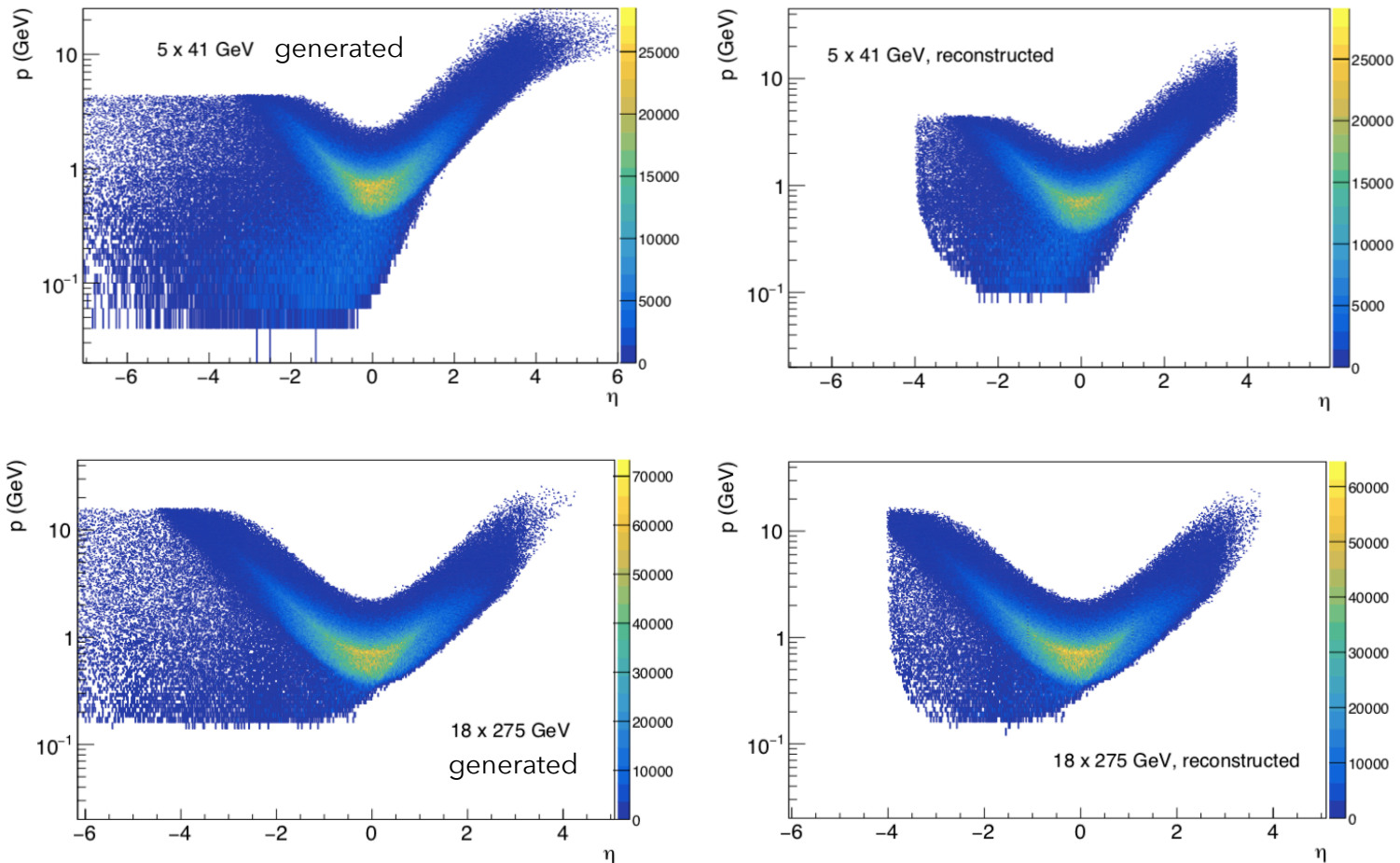
- Enables measurement on neutron in deuterium: quark-flavour separation of GPDs, sensitivity to other Compton Form Factors (eg: $\text{Im } E$ in DVCS beam-spin asymmetry on neutron vs $\text{Im } H$ in BSA on proton).
- Both the spectator proton and the scattered neutron tagged in the measurement.
- Spectator proton is used to determine initial neutron momentum, to enable reconstruction of t :



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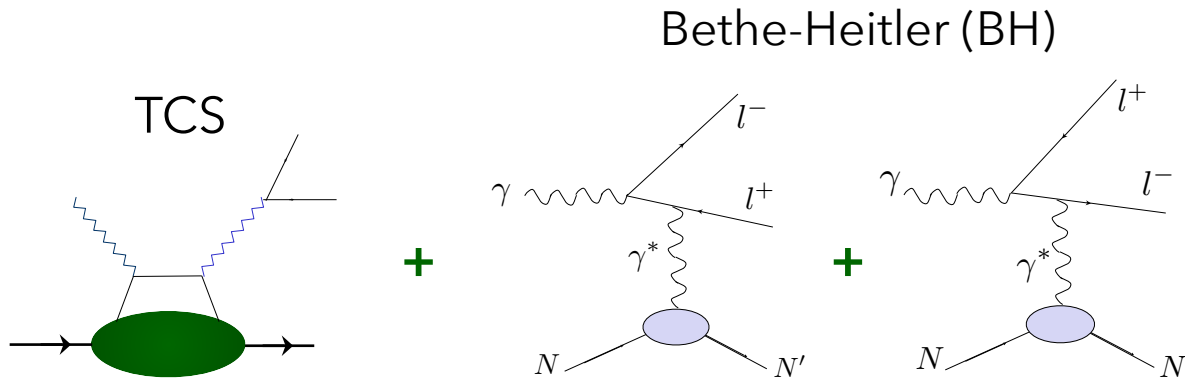
TCS e^+e^-

- * TCS-produced virtual photon decays into e^+e^- pairs at mid-rapidity – need excellent acceptance in central region (barrel+ end-caps), as scattered electron will in general be reconstructed though missing mass and momentum (low- Q^2 tagger can provide direct detection only in a part of the phase space).



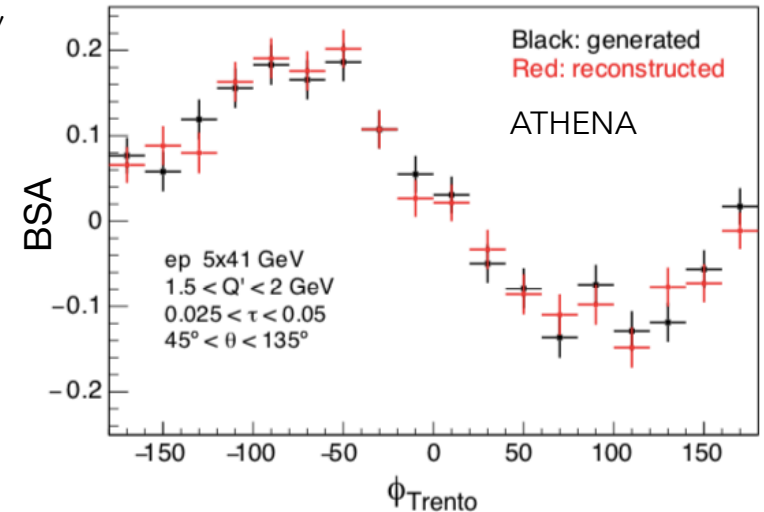
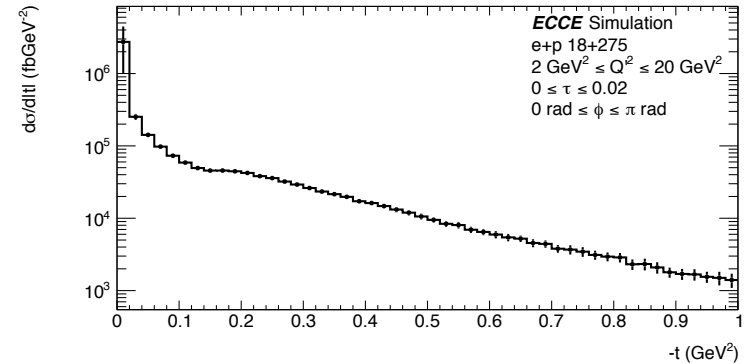
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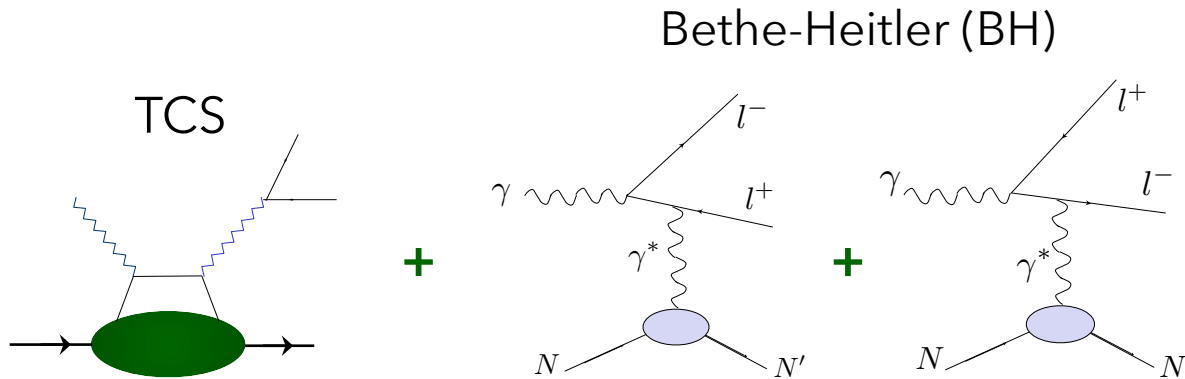
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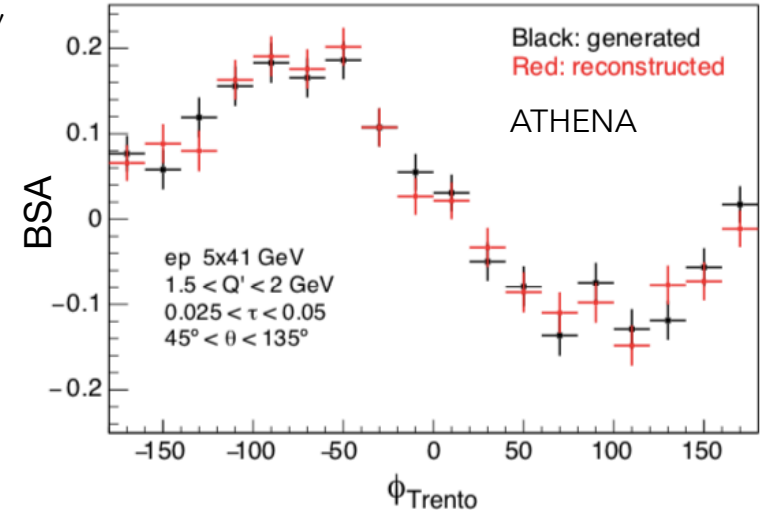
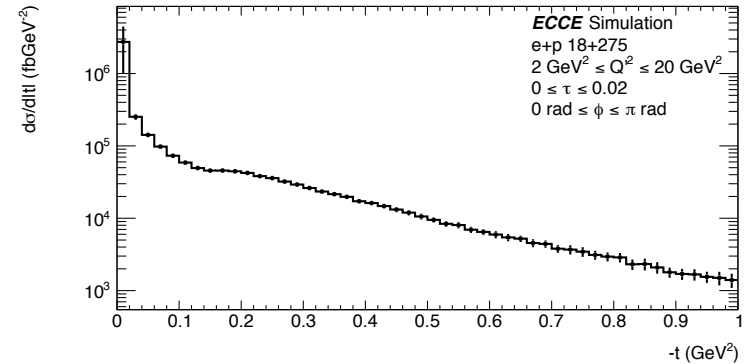
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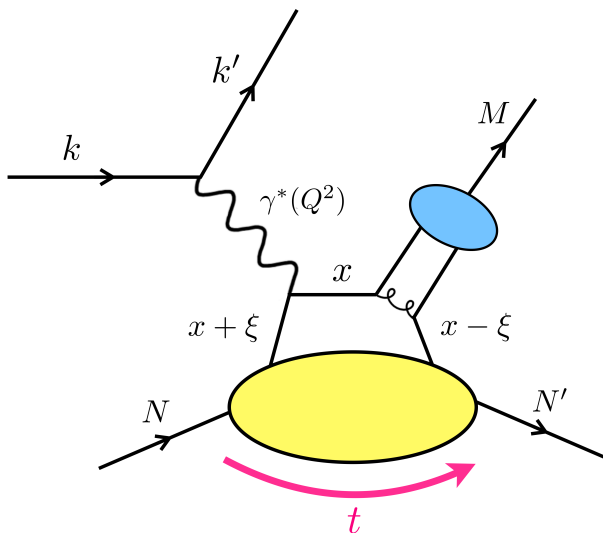
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**PARTONS: talk
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GPDs through meson-production



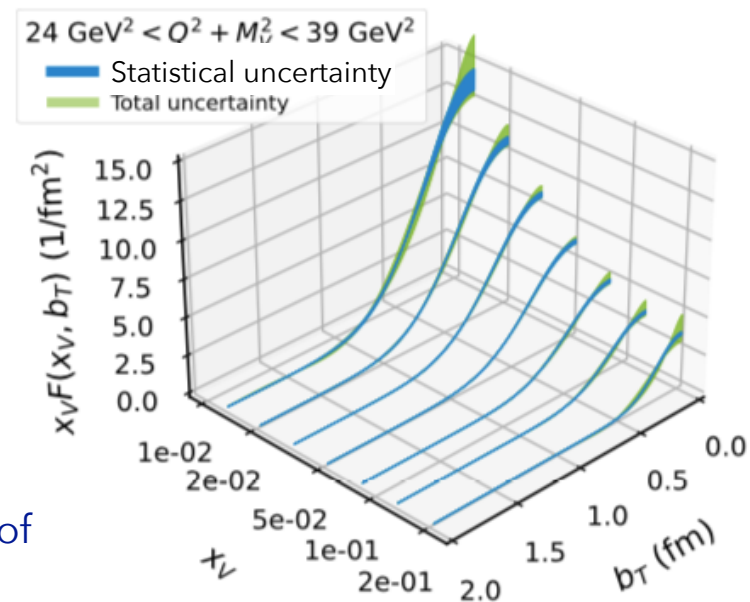
- * Hard exclusive electro-production of vector mesons gives access to gluon GPDs, particularly clean in heavy mesons: J/Ψ and Υ

Hard scale in the scattering given by: $Q^2 + M_v^2$

$$\text{Hence: } x_v = \frac{Q^2 + M_v^2}{2p \cdot q}$$

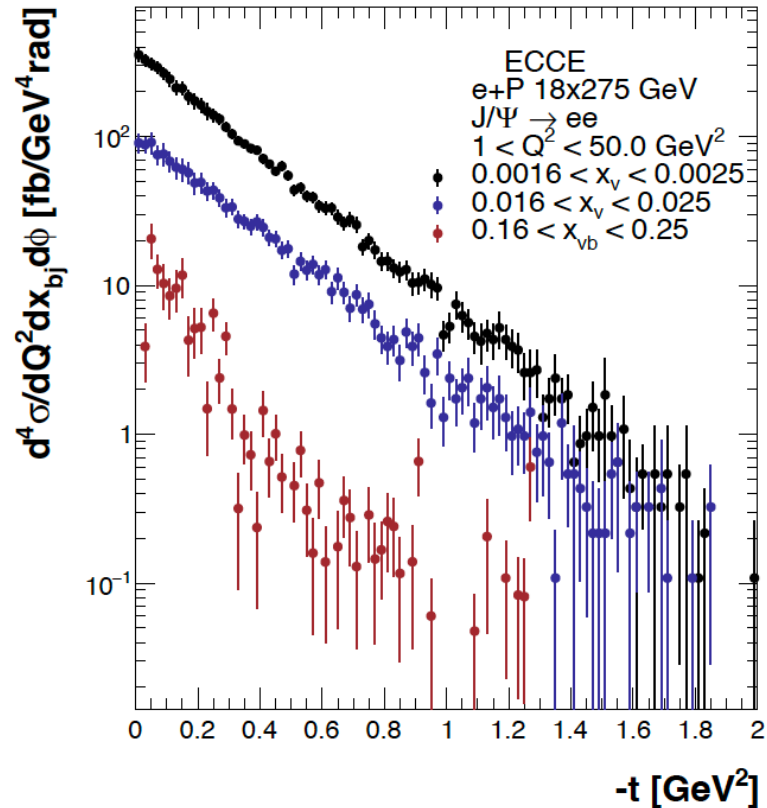
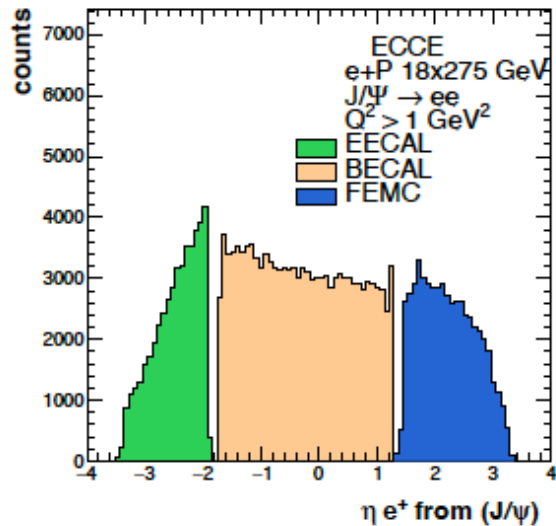
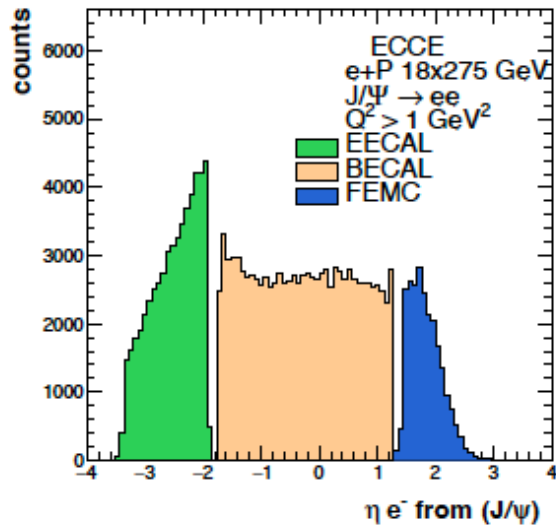
- * Light vector-meson production additionally enables flavour-decomposition of GPDs.

Fourier transform of J/Ψ -production cross-section



- * Light pseudo-scalar meson production gives, at high Q^2 , access to parity-odd GPDs: \tilde{H} , \tilde{E} and at low Q^2 to chiral-odd, transversity GPDs which are not accessible at leading-twist in DVCS processes.

J/Psi production

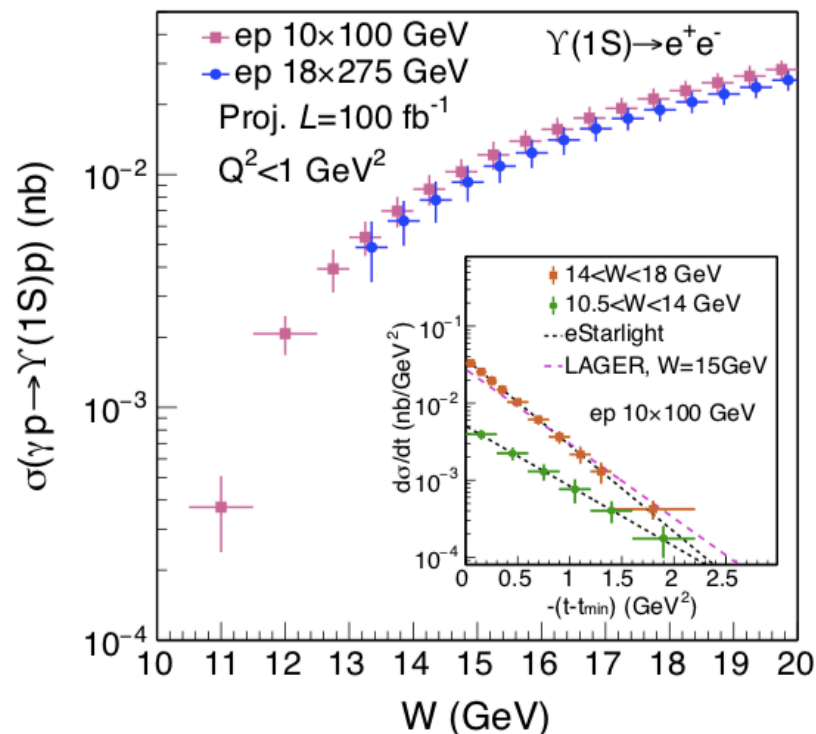
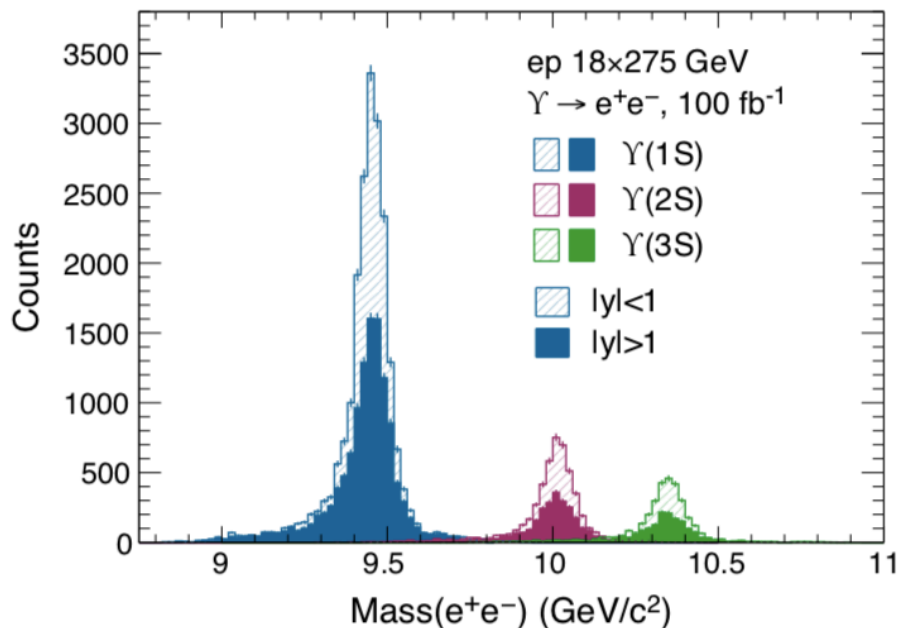


- Excellent acceptance coverage for J/Psi decay leptons
- Multi-dimensional binning

Upsilon-production

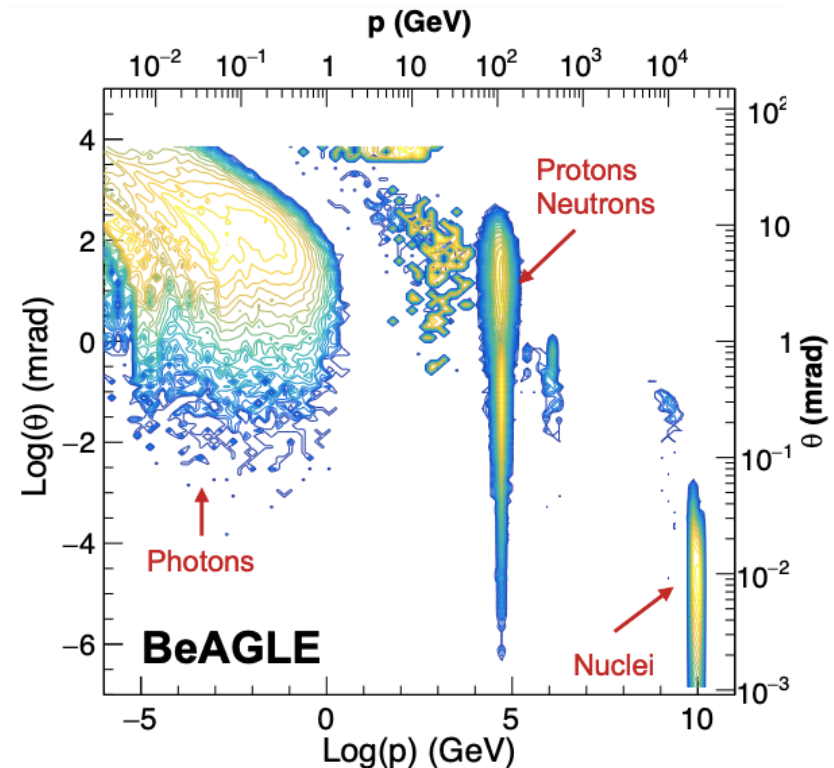
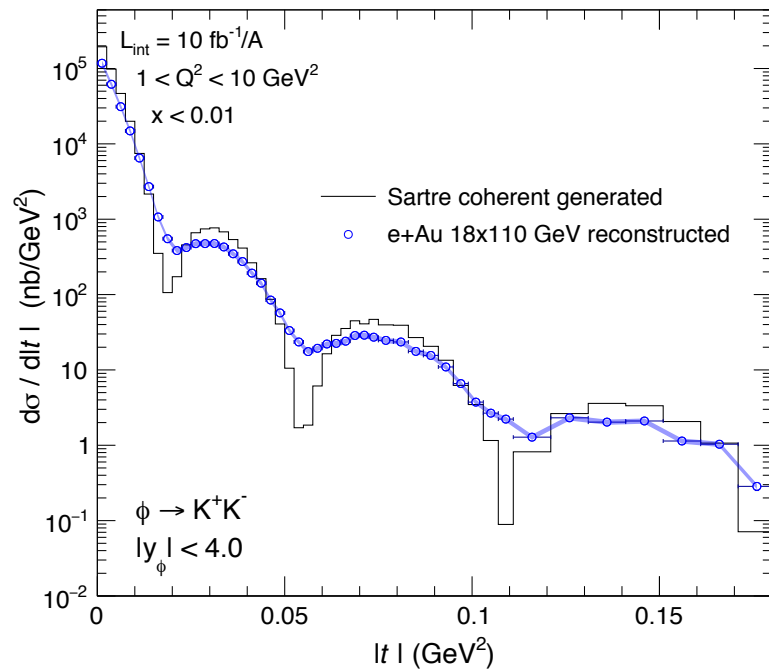
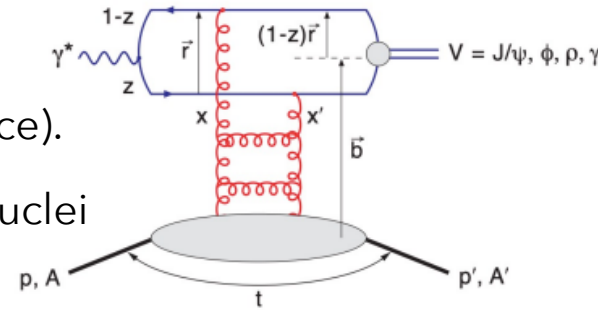
- Sensitivity to gluon distributions, information on colour correlations, upsilon-proton scattering lengths, possibly saturation. Near-threshold production: little-known, twist-4 effects contribute significantly.

Photoproduction ($Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$) and electroproduction ($Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$).



Coherent VM production in eA

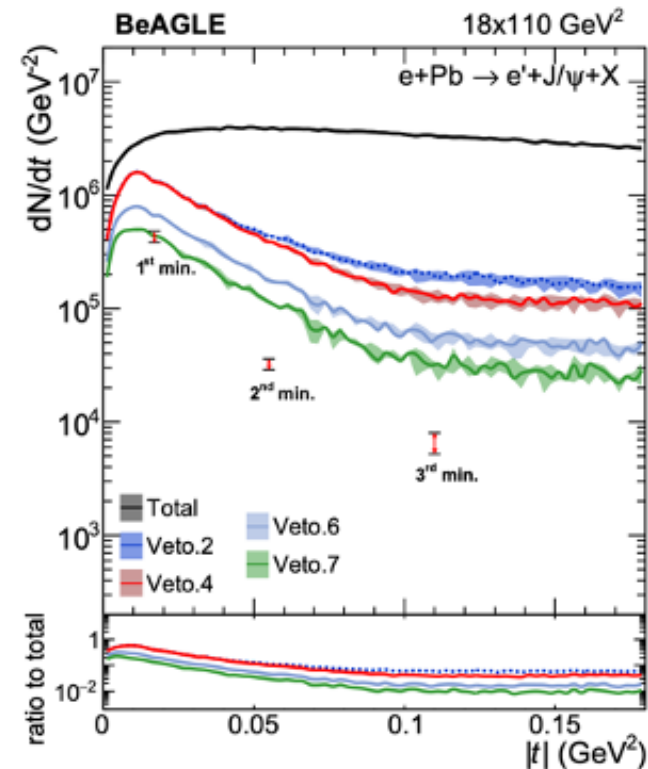
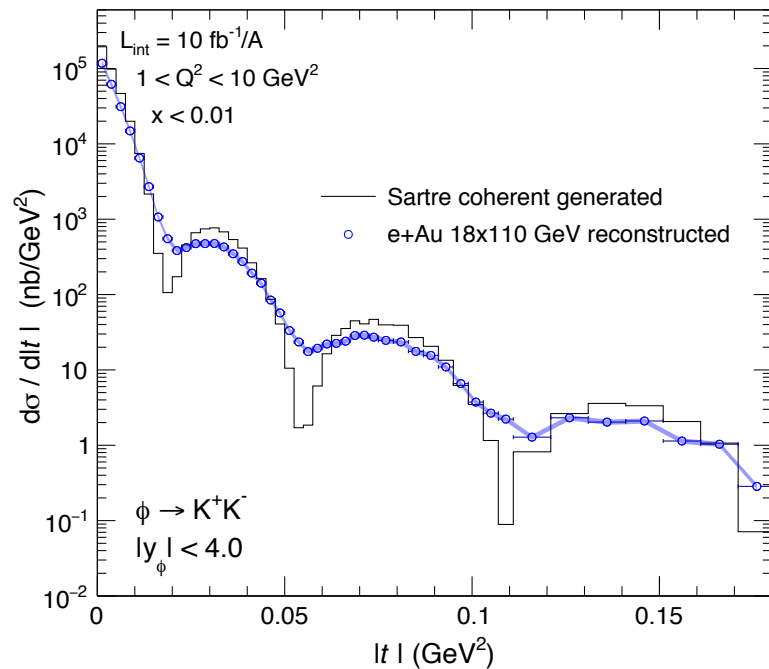
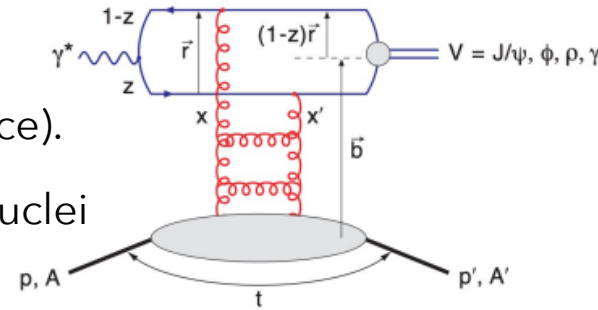
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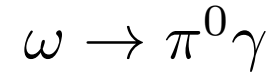
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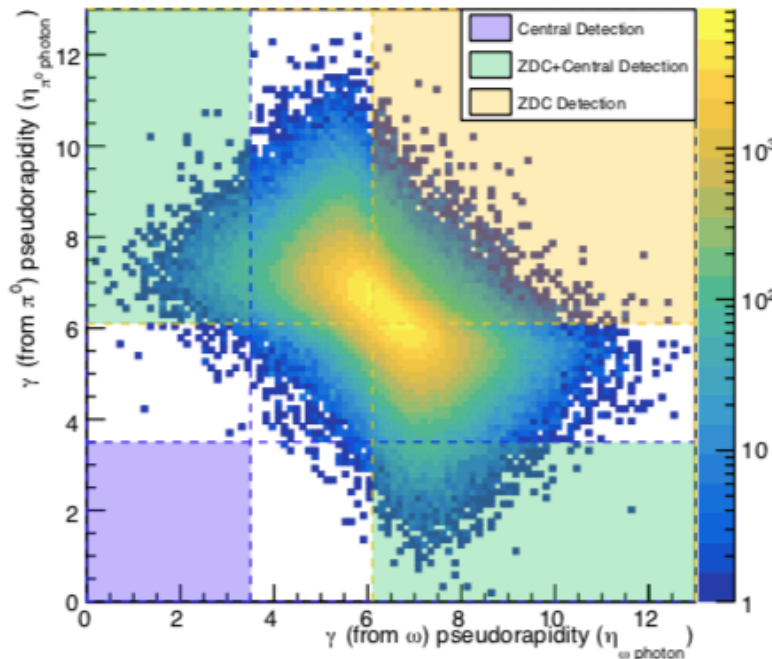


Backward production of omega

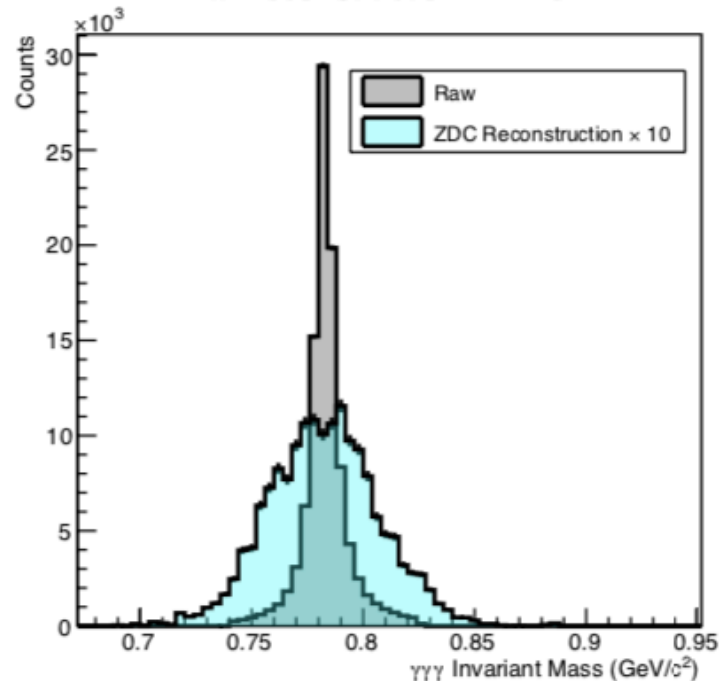
- Similar to normal meson photo-production, but proton at mid-rapidity and meson goes forward with high momentum: u-channel.
- Sensitivity to Transition Distribution Amplitudes (TDA).
- Proton (a few hundred MeV) detected in central detector. Photons from meson decay detected in a combination of central and ZDC.



Pseudorapidity Distribution of Photons from π^0 and ω Decay



ω Reconstruction in ZDC

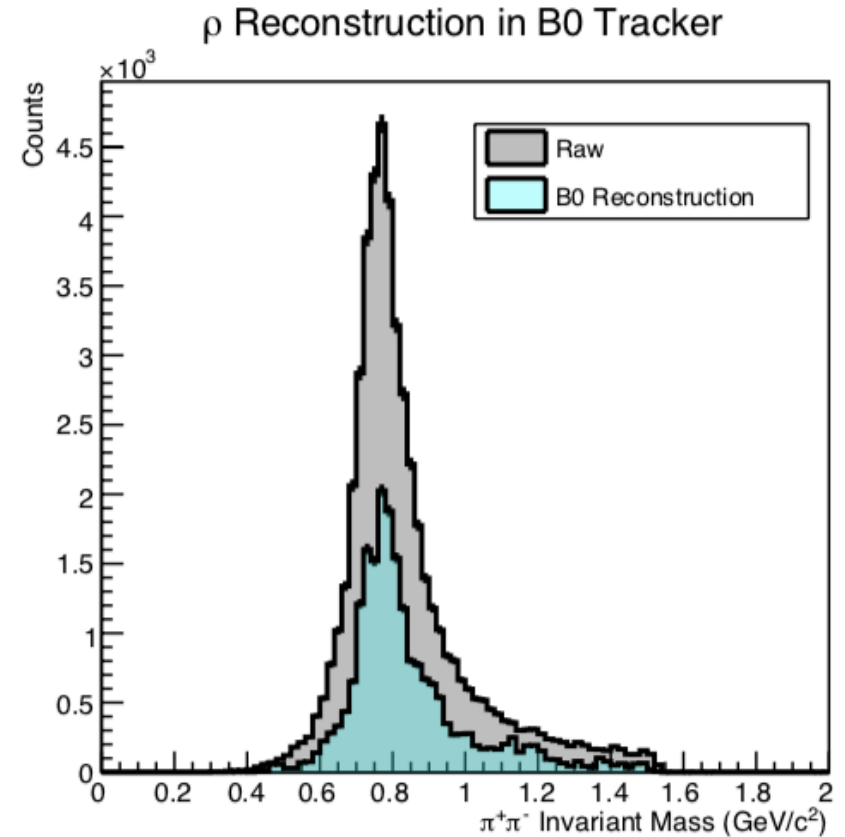
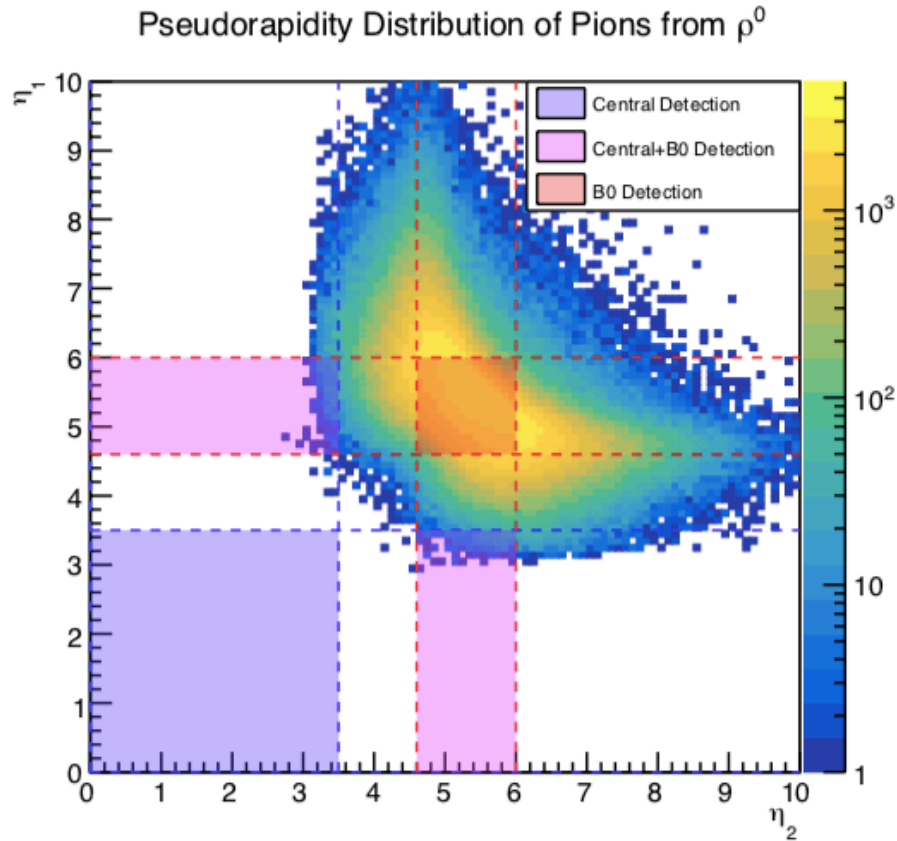


Backward production of rho

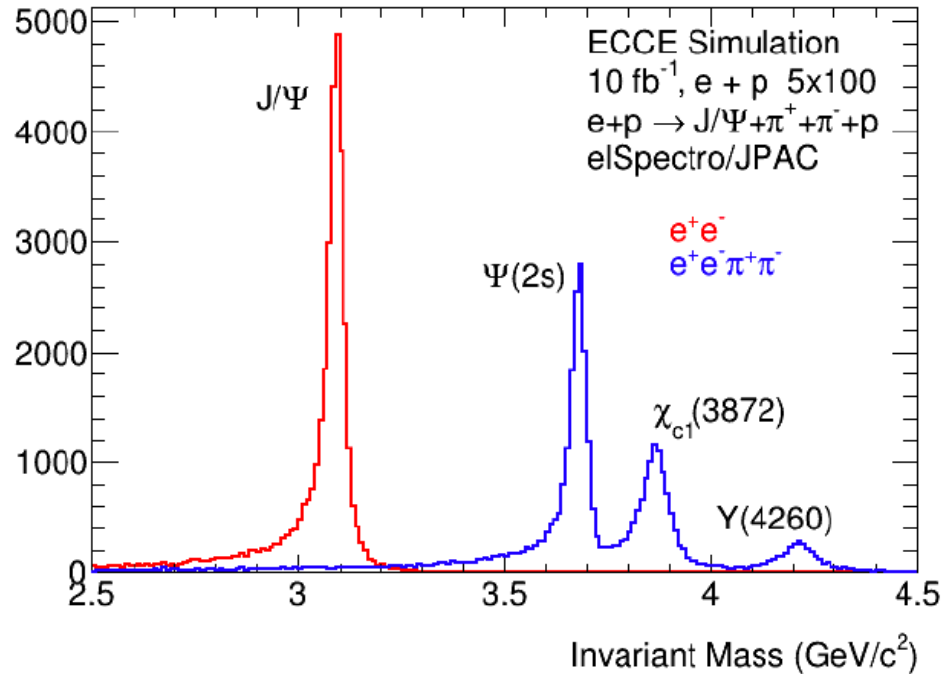
- Charged mesons in the u-channel production can also be reconstructed using Central detector, ZDC and B0 tracker.

$$\rho \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$$

10 x 100 GeV, $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$



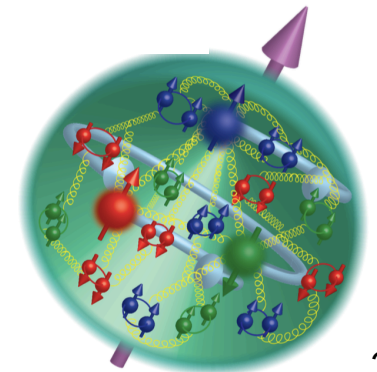
XYZ Spectroscopy



- XYZ Spectroscopy, spectroscopy of mesons with charm quarks
- New XYZ states have unexpectedly narrow widths inconsistent with quark model predictions
- Resolution sufficient to separate states
- Some kinematics and decays may benefit from low Q² tagger

Summary

- * Electron-Ion Collider to be built at Brookhaven National Laboratory, start operation ~2032.
- * Large range of CoM energies (20 - 140 GeV), high luminosity ($10^{33-34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$): high precision measurements across wide swathes of phase space from the gluon sea to the valence quark region.
- * Design of the first detector being finalised this year: the ePIC collaboration.
- * Hermeticity, tracking, PID, neutral particle detection. Focus on the far-forward region – excellent reconstruction of scattered protons and light ions at the smallest angles. Detection of neutral particles at low angles.
- * A range of exclusive processes accessible with ePIC: sensitivity to GPDs and TDAs in low-x, meson structure, mass generation, saturation and much more...
- * Join the effort! <http://www.eicug.org/>



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Thank you!

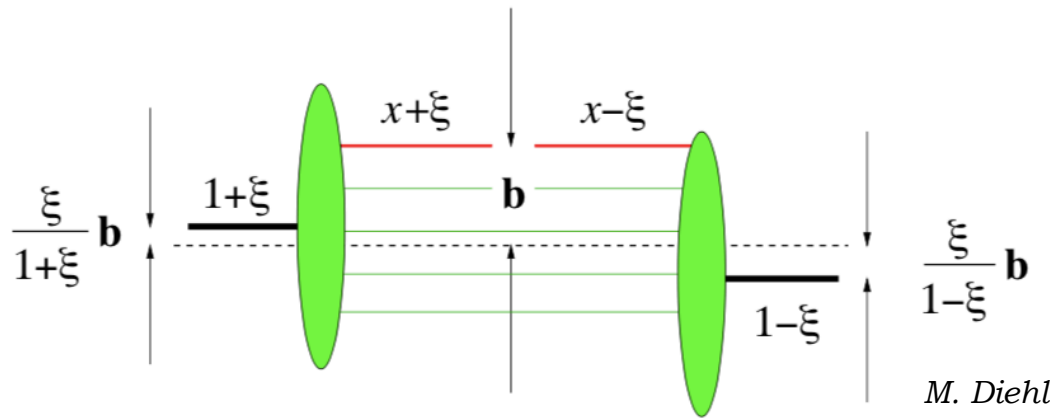
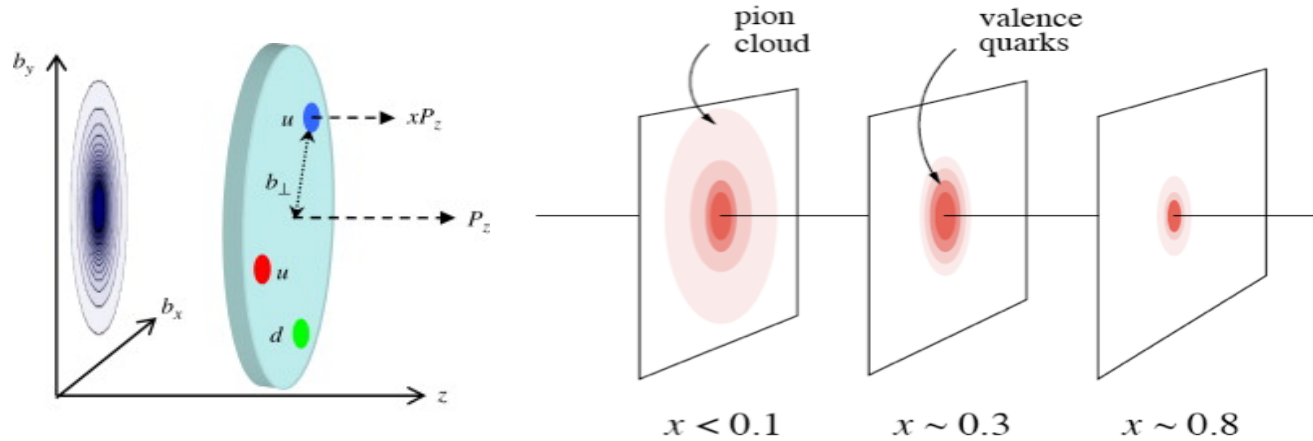
Any questions?

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Back-up

Nucleon Tomography from GPDs

At a fixed Q^2 , x_B and $\xi=0$ slope of GPD with t is related, via a Fourier Transform, to the transverse spatial distribution.



Formally, the radial separation, \mathbf{b} , between the struck parton and the centre of momentum of the remaining spectators.

Experimentally, can fit the t -dependence of structure functions (from meson-production) or Compton Form Factors (from DVCS/TCS) with an exponential:

$$\text{eg: } \frac{d\sigma_U}{dt} = A e^{Bt}$$

Spin and pressure in the nucleon

- GPDs also provide indirect access to mechanical properties of the nucleon (encoded in the gravitational form factors, GFFs, of the energy-momentum tensor).

X. D. Ji, *PRD* **55**, 7114-7125 (1997)

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- Three scalar GFFs, functions of t : encode pressure and shear forces ($d_1(t)$), mass ($M_2(t)$) and angular momentum distributions ($J(t)$).

- Can be related to GPDs via sum rules: $\int x [H(x, \xi, t) + E(x, \xi, t)] dx = 2J(t)$

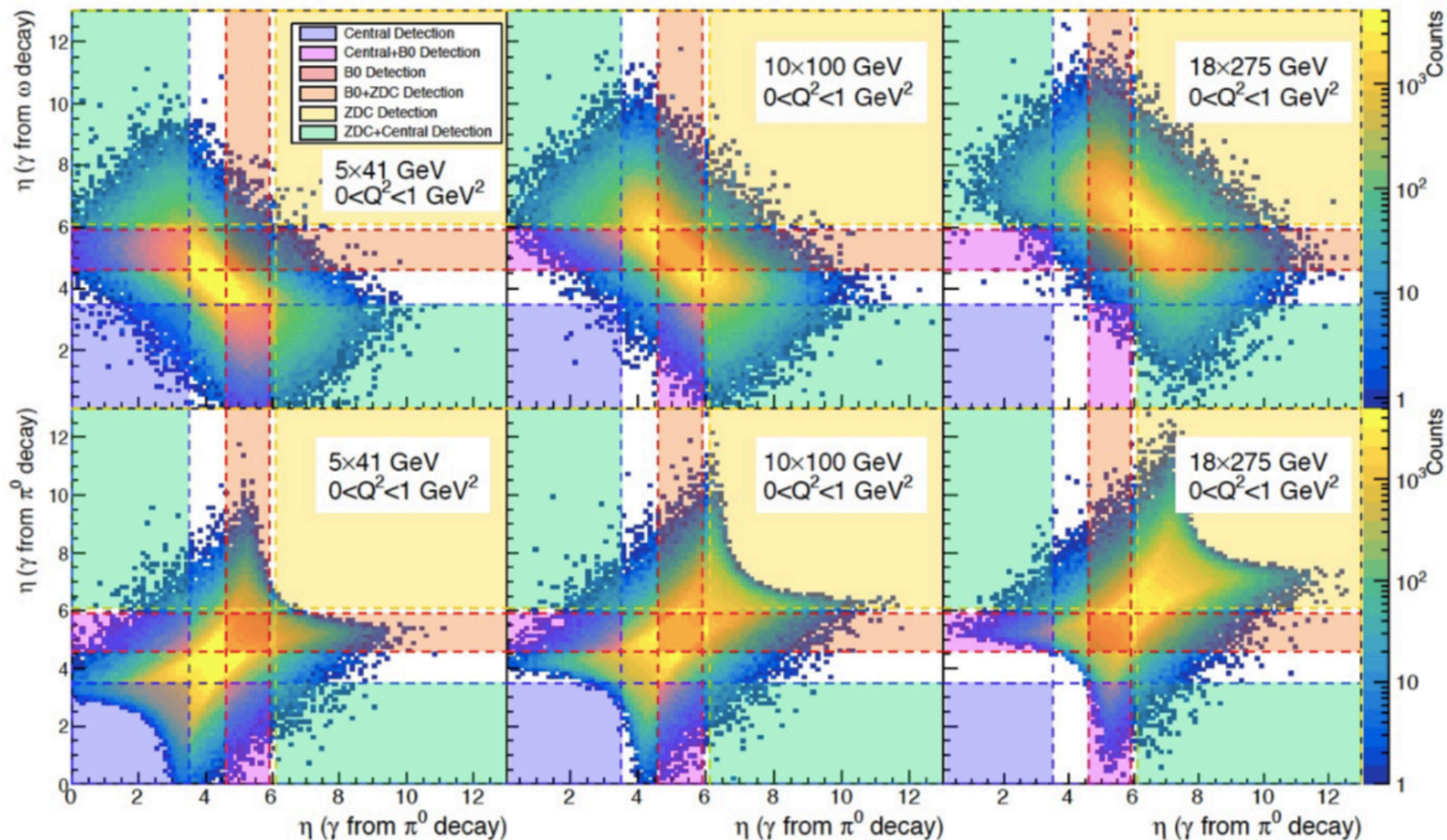
$$\int x H(x, \xi, t) dx = M_2(t) + \frac{4}{5} \xi^2 d_1(t) \quad (\text{Ji's relation}) \quad J_N = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} (\Sigma_q + L_q) + J_g$$

- $d_1(t)$ (D-term) "last unknown global property of the nucleon" – can be accessed via the $\mathcal{R}e$ and $\mathcal{I}m \mathcal{H}$:

$$\text{Dispersion relation: } \mathcal{R}e \mathcal{H}(\xi, t) = \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{1}{\xi - x} - \frac{1}{\xi + x} \right) \mathcal{I}m \mathcal{H}(\xi, t) dx + \Delta(t).$$

Assuming double-distribution parametrisation: $\Delta(t) \propto d_1(t)$

Backward production of omega



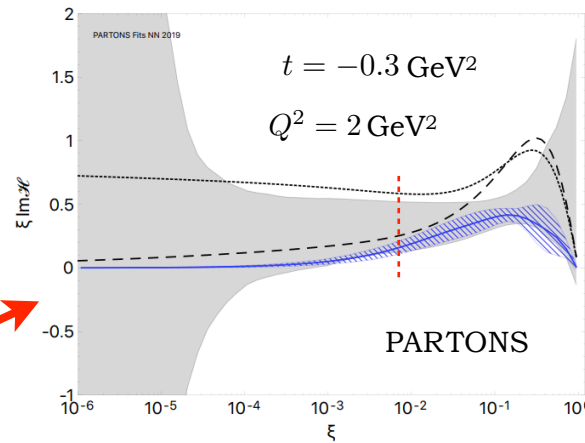
Proton beam energy	ω eff. cent.+ZDC	ω eff. cent.+B0+ZDC
41 GeV	1.4%	18%
100 GeV	1.3%	41%
275 GeV	6%	63%

Extracting GPDs

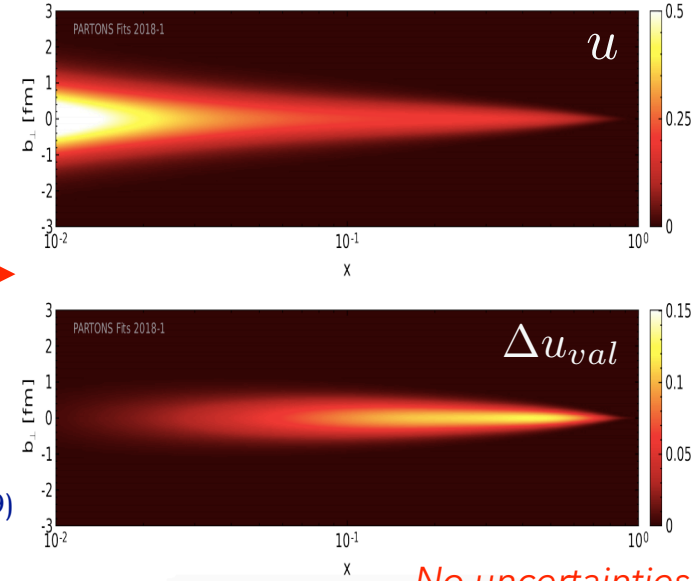
Ongoing imaging efforts on available world-data, strongest constraints in the valence region:

Uncertainties in the extraction of CFFs translate into uncertainties in spatial distributions.

PARTONS global fit with neural networks to minimise model-dependence in the extraction of CFFs.



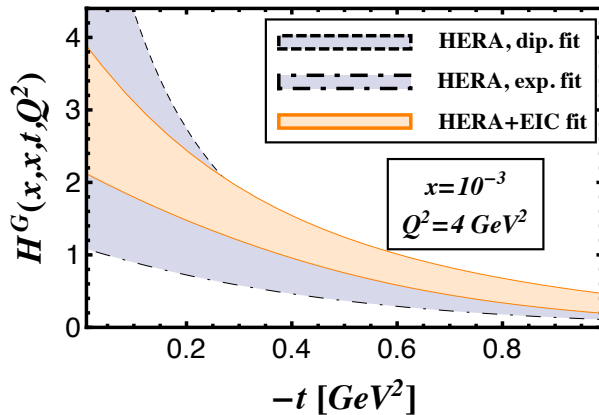
H. Moutarde *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J C79, 614 (2019)



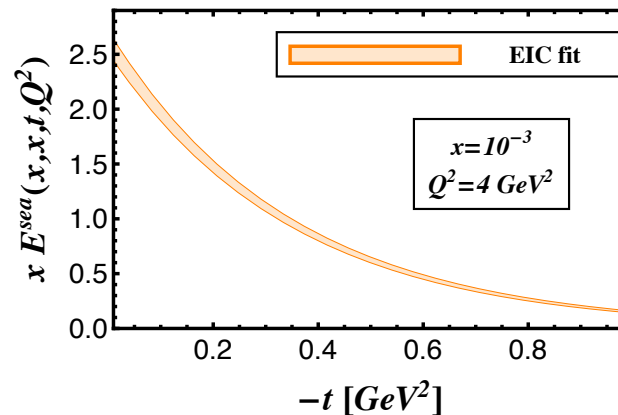
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Anticipated constraints from EIC on GPDs H and E:

GPD H for gluons



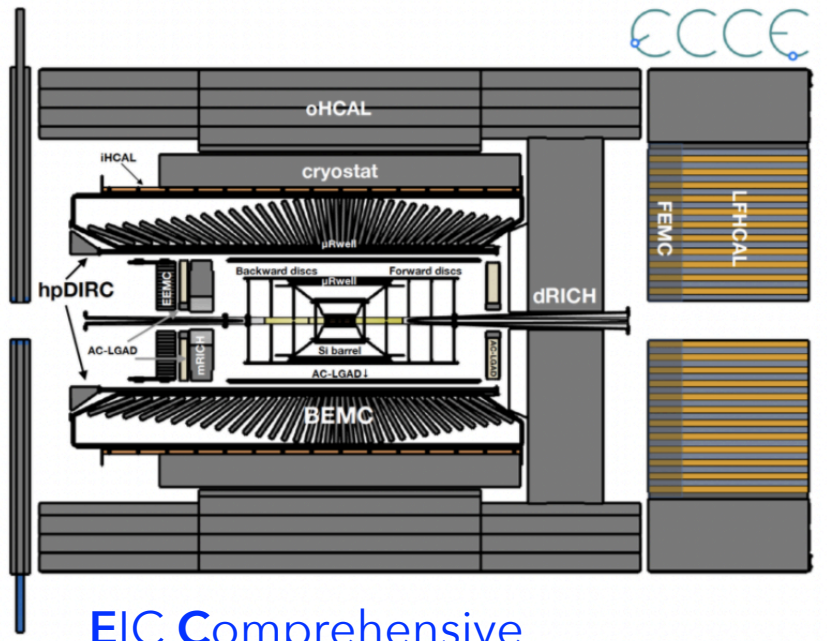
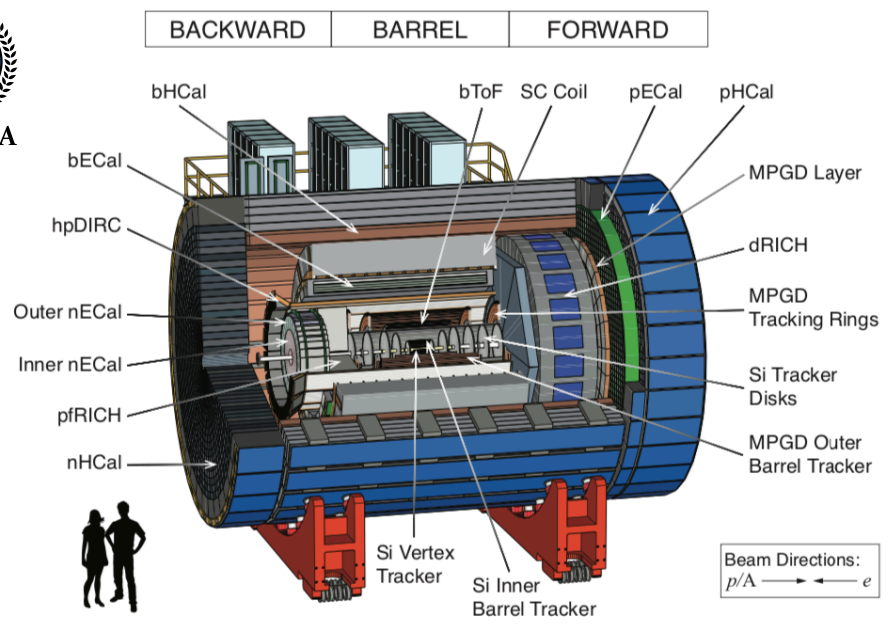
GPD E for sea quarks



Measurements at EIC will provide significant constraints at low-x and enable extraction of as-yet unknown GPDs.



ATHENA



A Totally Hermetic Electron-Nucleus Apparatus

<https://sites.temple.edu/eicatip6/>

EIC Comprehensive Chromodynamics Experiment

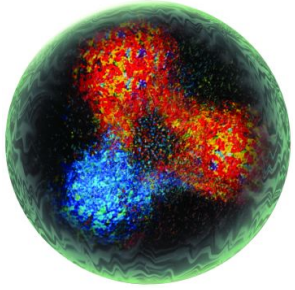
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ePIC (Electron-Proton and -Ion Collider detector):

The new detector 1 collaboration detector, based around the geometry of the BaBar solenoid, incorporating sub-detector designs from both the ECCE and ATHENA proposals.

Design still in flux, to be finalised this year.

New solenoid (MARCO) to be built by Saclay: 1.7 T (max field possible: 2T)



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Generalised Transverse Momentum
Distributions (GTMDs)

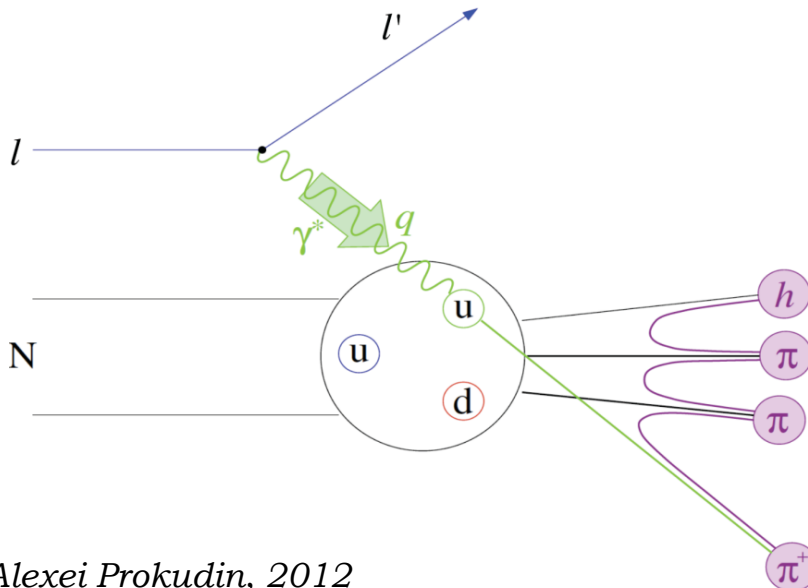


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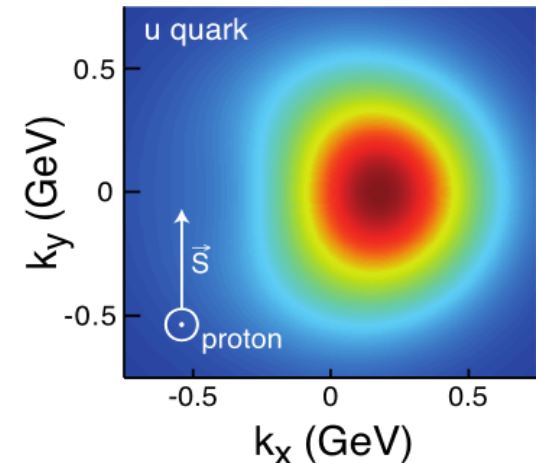


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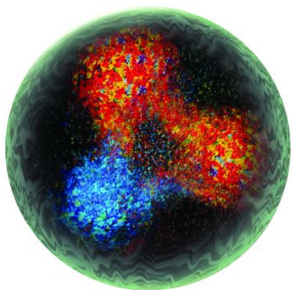


SIDIS:



Sivers function: Alexei Prokudin, 2012

(using M. Anselmino et al., J. Phys. Conf. Ser. 295, 012062 (2011))



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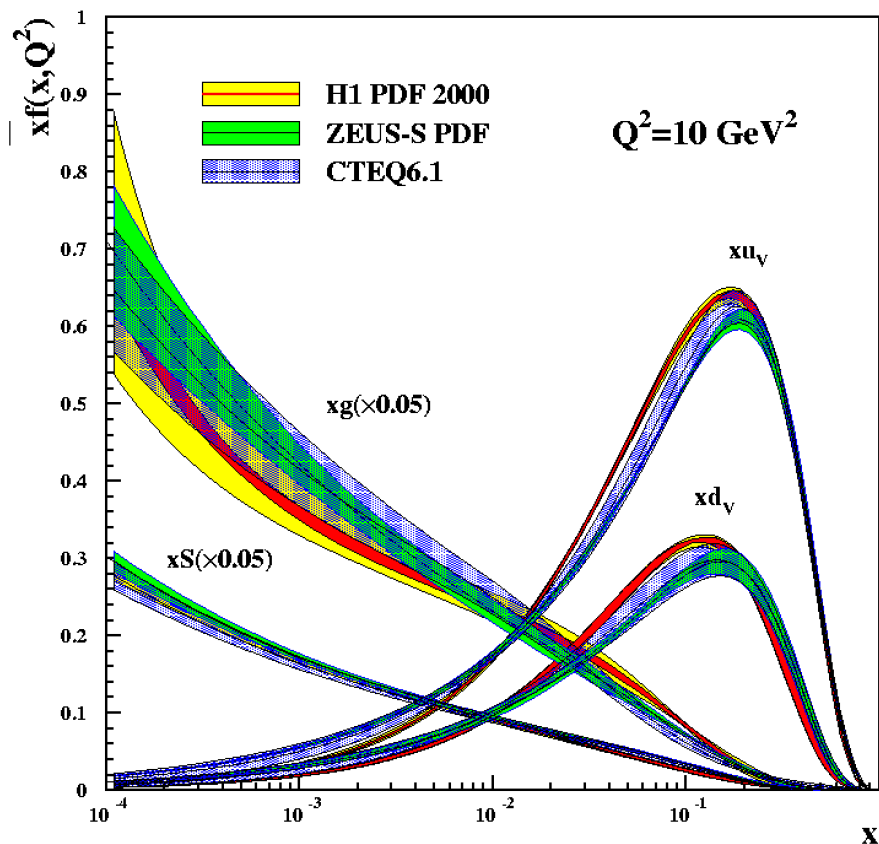
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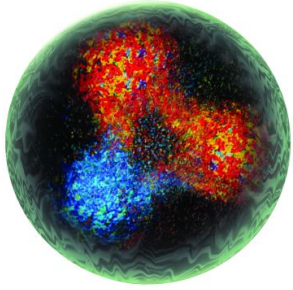
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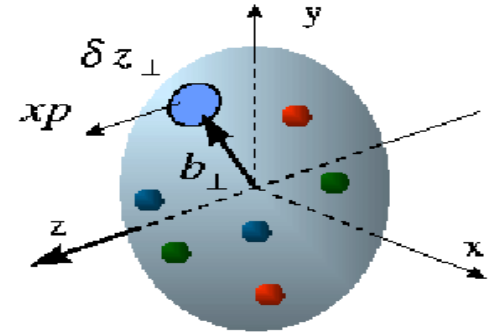




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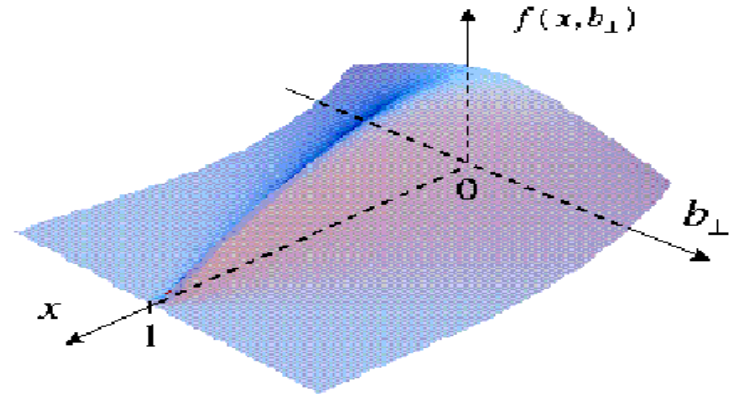
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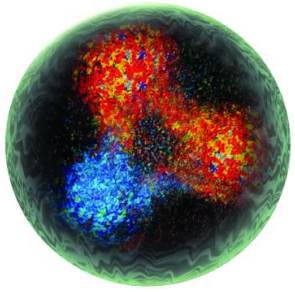


Generalised Parton
Distributions (GPDs)

- relate, in the infinite momentum frame, transverse position of partons (b_{\perp}) to longitudinal momentum (x).



* Deep exclusive reactions, e.g.: Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering, Deeply Virtual Meson production.



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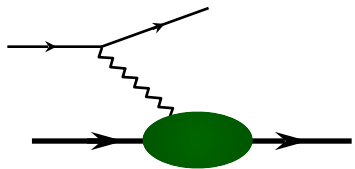
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Fourier Transform of electric Form
Factor: transverse charge density of a
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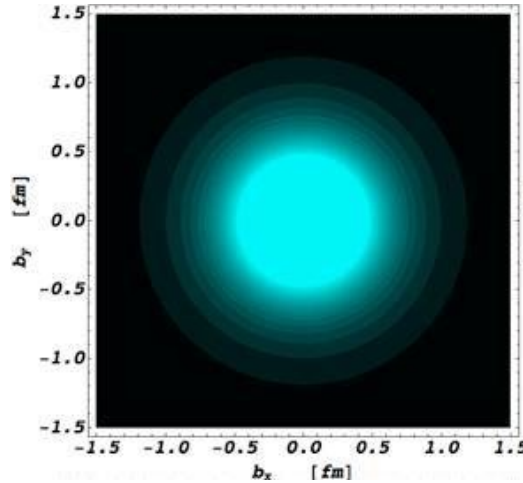
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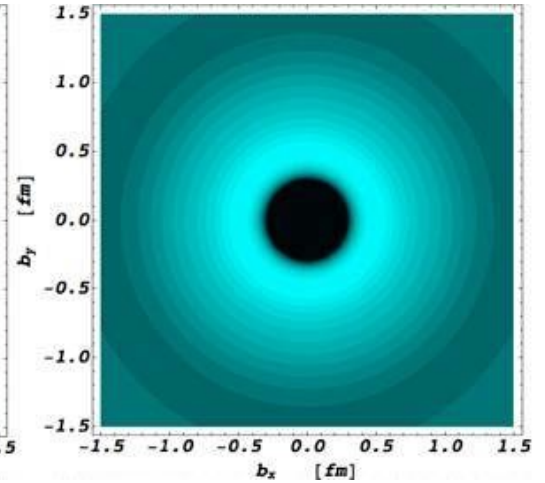


Elastic scattering

Form Factors
eg: G_E, G_M

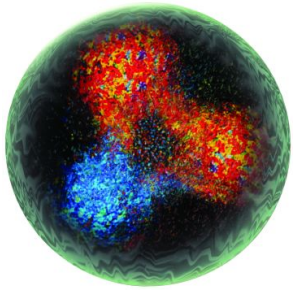


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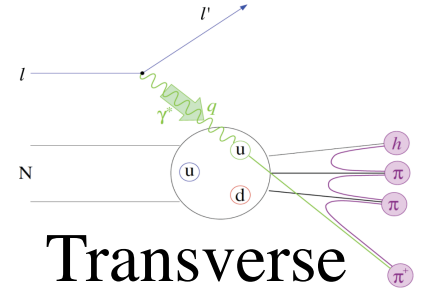
*C. Carlson, M. Vanderhaeghen
PRL 100, 032004 (2008)*



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Possible access via
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at high Q^2 .

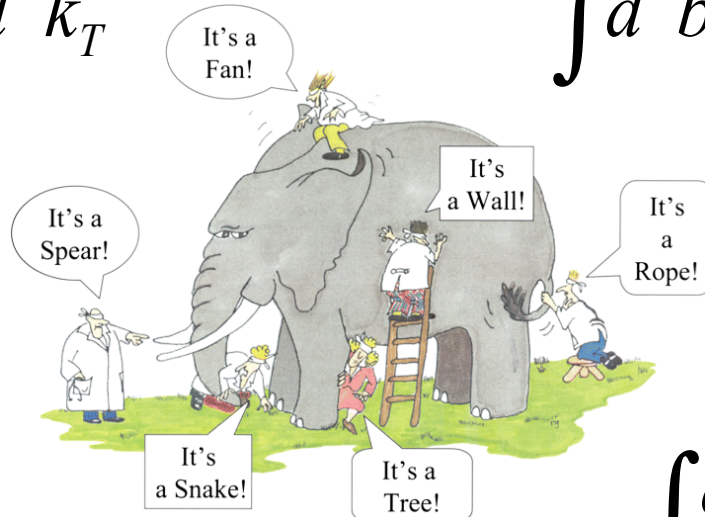
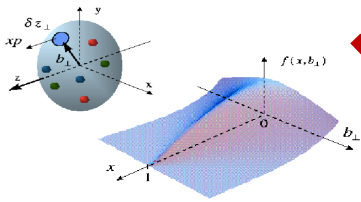
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G. Renee Guzlas, artist.

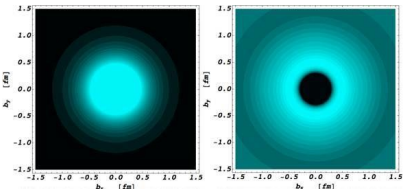
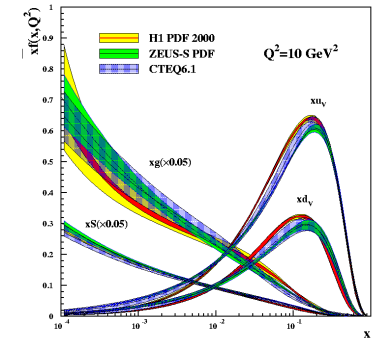
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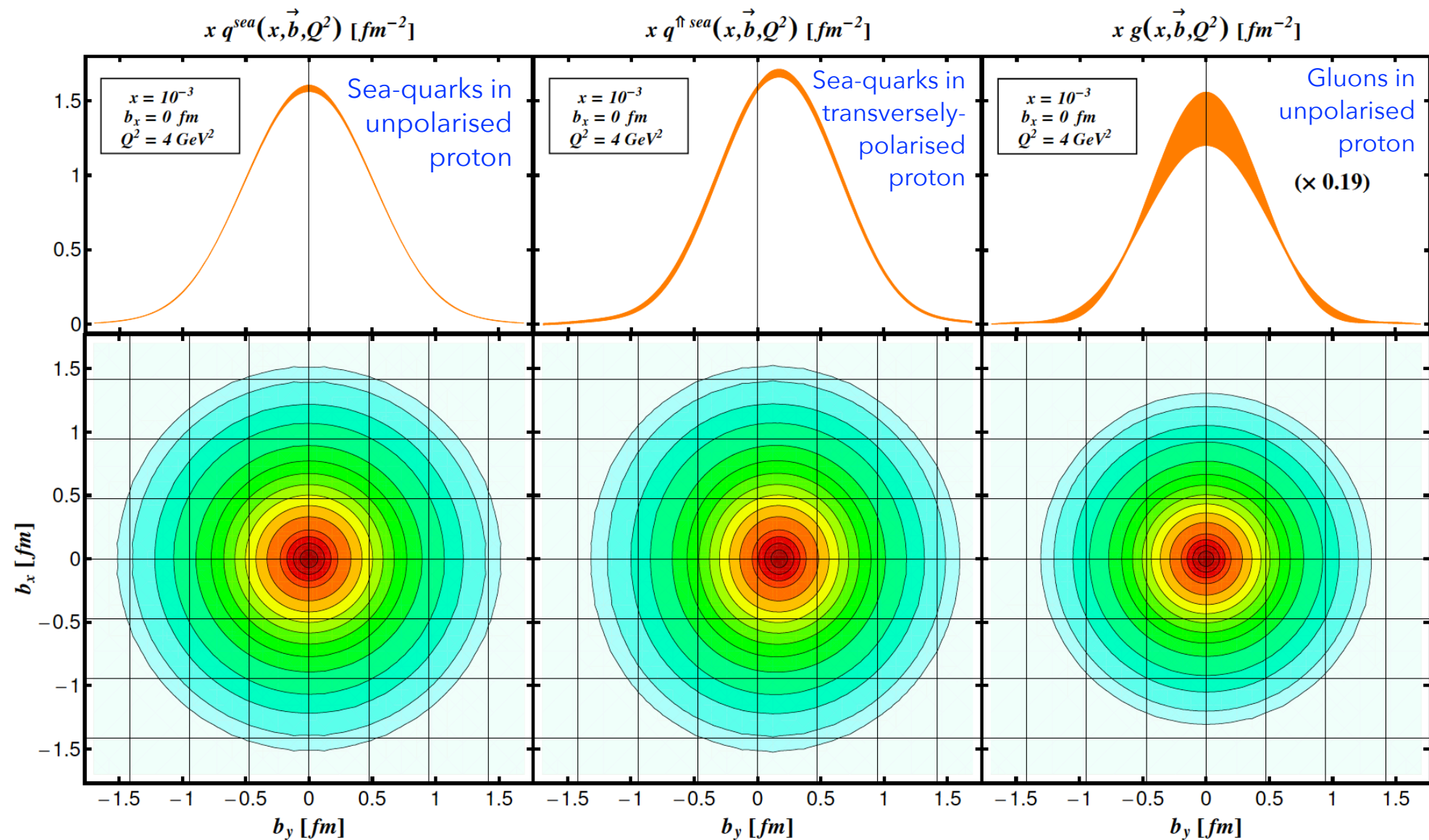
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Tomography @ EIC



Imaging light nuclei

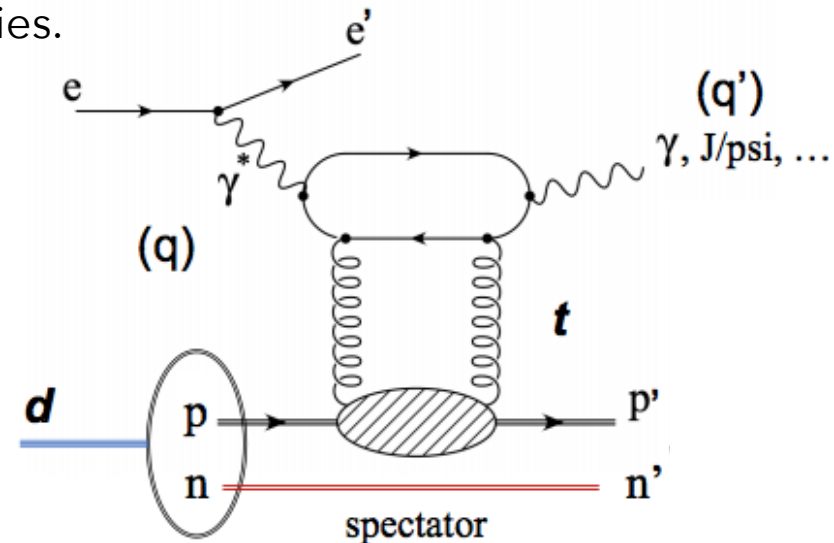
Coherent DVCS on light nuclei requires their intact detection and provides access to nuclear GPDs: imaging of partons in a nuclear medium.

Deuteron: spin-1. Many more GPDs at leading twist – theoretically well-described, experimentally almost untested.

^3He : spin-1/2. DVCS amplitude has same GPD decomposition as for nucleon, binding energy larger than for deuteron – ideal to look for onset of nuclear effects.
Polarised neutron – possibility for completely new studies.

^4He : spin-0. Only one leading-twist GPD! Fully bound nucleus – access to medium-modification effects.

Incoherent DVCS (or meson-production): scatter from the nucleon, tag the process by detecting the spectator recoil → access to measurements on a quasi-free neutron.



K. Tu, A. Jentsch

Flavour-decomposition, sensitivity to different GPDs...

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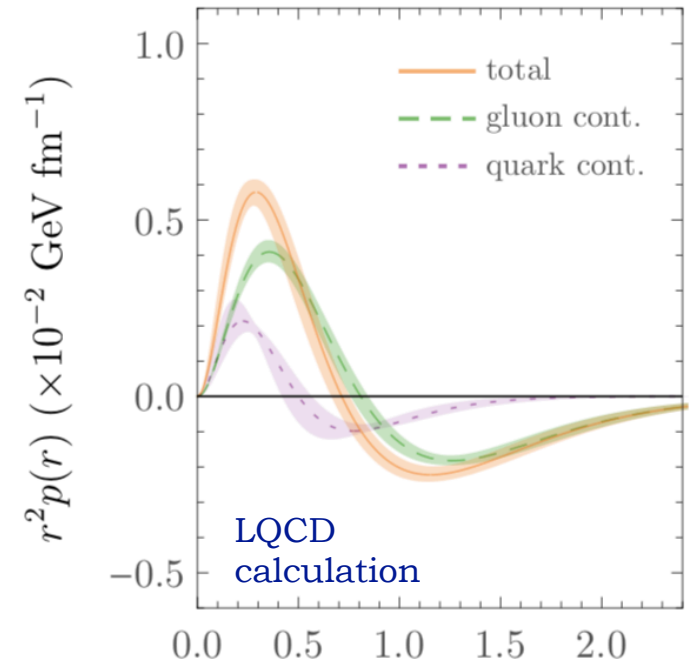
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$$\int x [H(x, \xi, t) + E(x, \xi, t)] dx = 2J(t)$$

$$\int x H(x, \xi, t) dx = M_2(t) + \frac{4}{5} \xi^2 d_1(t)$$

- * The D-term: “last unknown global property of the nucleon” -- can be related to spatial distribution of shear forces and pressure within the nucleon.

- * Possibilities of “imaging” spatial distributions of angular momentum: C. Lorcé, M. Montovani, B. Pasquini, *PLB* **776**, 38-47 (2018)



r (fm) P. Shanahan,
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PRL 122,072003 (2019)

Studies for proposals:

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* DVCS in ep	EpIC	MILOU3D
* DVCS (incoherent) in ed	EpIC	
* DVCS on He-4		TOPEG
* TCS in ep	EpIC	EpIC
* J/Psi in ep		IAger, eSTARlight
* J/Psi in eA		IAger, eSTARlight
* Φ in eAu/Pb	SARTRE, BeAGLE	SARTRE, BeAGLE
* Y(1S, 2S, 3S) in ep	eSTARlight, IAger	
* u-channel: ω , ρ in ep	eSTARlight	
* X,Y $\Psi(2S)$ in ep \rightarrow J/ Ψ $\pi^+\pi^-p$	elSpectro	elSpectro
* Pion Form Factors		*
* Pion Structure Functions		*
* A^{n_1} (He-3 double tagging)		*

TCS observables

- Unpolarised cross-sections:

sensitive to $\text{Re } \mathcal{H}$.

$$\frac{d^4\sigma_{INT}}{dQ'^2 dt d\Omega} = A \frac{1 + \cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta} [\cos \phi \text{Re} \tilde{M}^{--} - \nu \cdot \sin \phi \text{Im} \tilde{M}^{--}]$$

$$\tilde{M}^{--} = \left[F_1 \mathcal{H} - \xi(F_1 + F_2) \tilde{\mathcal{H}} - \frac{t}{4m_p^2} F_2 \mathcal{E} \right]$$

suppressed

- Circularly-polarised photon cross-section: access to $\text{Im } \mathcal{H}$.
- More promising observables: asymmetries and cross-section ratios.

- Photon-polarisation (beam-spin) asymmetry:

$$A_{\odot U} = \frac{d\sigma^+ - d\sigma^-}{d\sigma^+ + d\sigma^-}$$

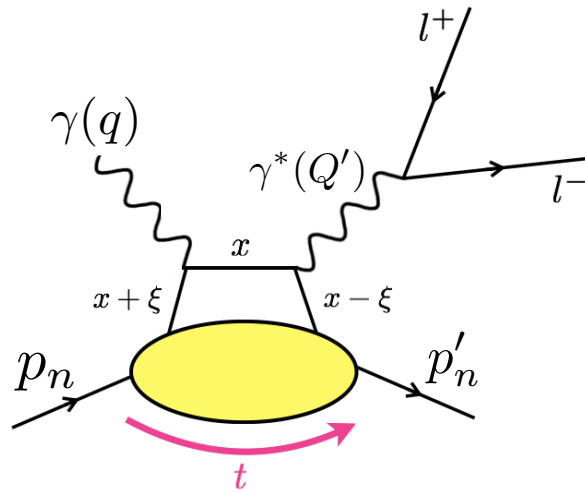
access to $\text{Im } \mathcal{H}$

- Forward - backward asymmetry:

$$A_{FB}(\theta, \phi) = \frac{d\sigma(\theta, \phi) - d\sigma(180^\circ - \theta, 180^\circ + \phi)}{d\sigma(\theta, \phi) + d\sigma(180^\circ - \theta, 180^\circ + \phi)}$$

access to $\text{Re } \mathcal{H}$

Timelike Compton Scattering



- Time-reversal process of DVCS: parametrised in terms of same Compton Form Factors (their complex conjugates).

- Verification of GPD universality.
- Another route to access the D-term.

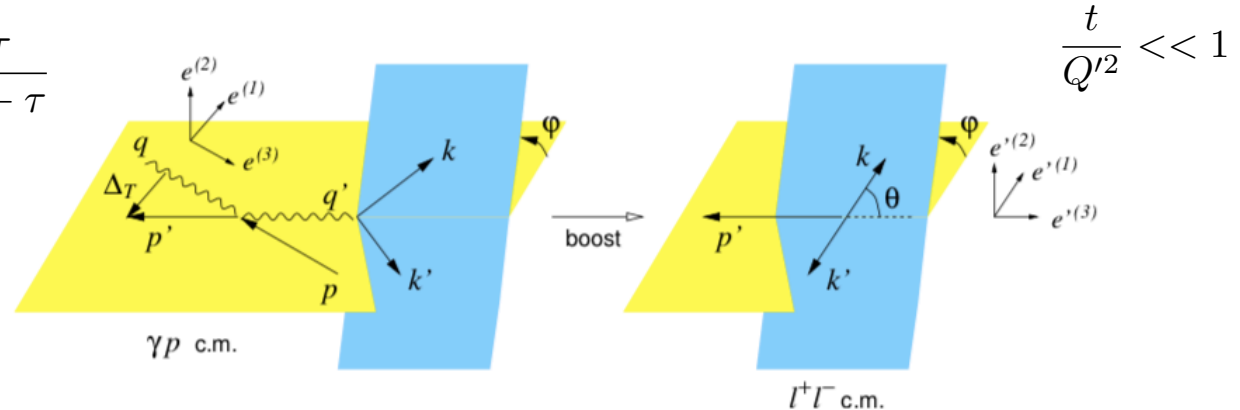
- Factorisation ensured by hard scale of γ^* virtuality:

$$Q' = l^+ + l^- \quad \xi = \frac{\tau}{2 - \tau}$$

$$s = (q + p_n)^2$$

$$\tau = \frac{Q'^2}{s - m_p^2}$$

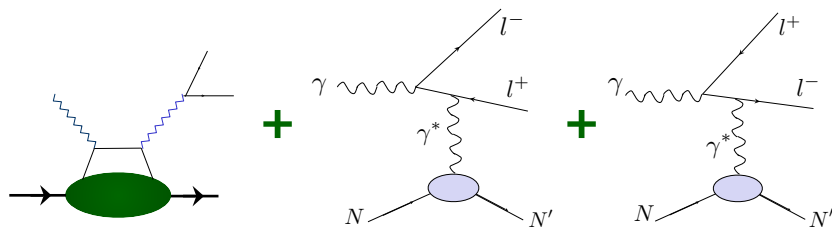
θ : angle between l^+ and scattered proton in lepton CMS



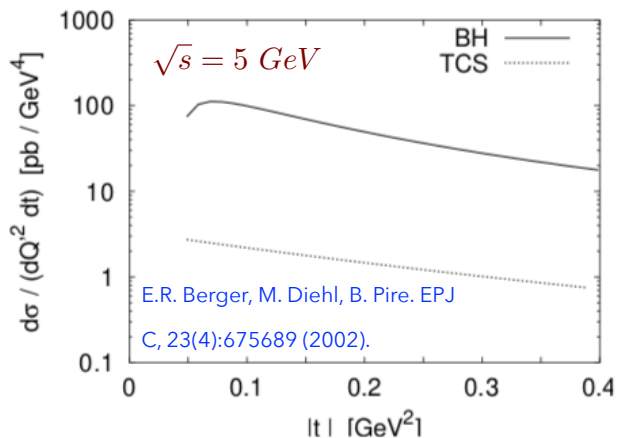
- Measurements establish dependence on Q^2, x, t and φ (angle between leptonic and hadronic planes).

TCS observables

- Similarly to DVCS, TCS process interferes with Bethe-Heitler at the amplitude level.



$$\sigma(\gamma p \rightarrow p' e^+ e^-) = \sigma_{BH} + \sigma_{TCS} + \sigma_{INT}$$



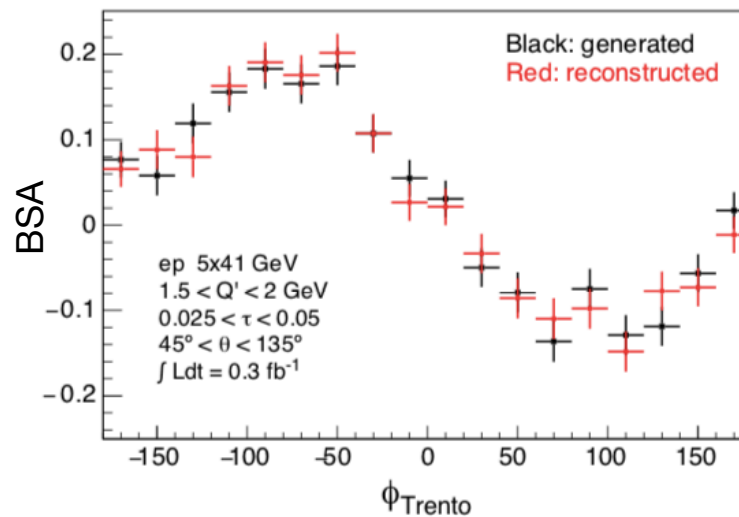
- TCS suppressed by factor of 100 wrt BH: hard to measure cross-sections. Asymmetries dominated by interference term.
- Photon-polarisation (beam-spin) asymmetry:

$$A_{\odot U} = \frac{d\sigma^+ - d\sigma^-}{d\sigma^+ + d\sigma^-} \quad \text{access to } \text{Im } \mathcal{H}$$

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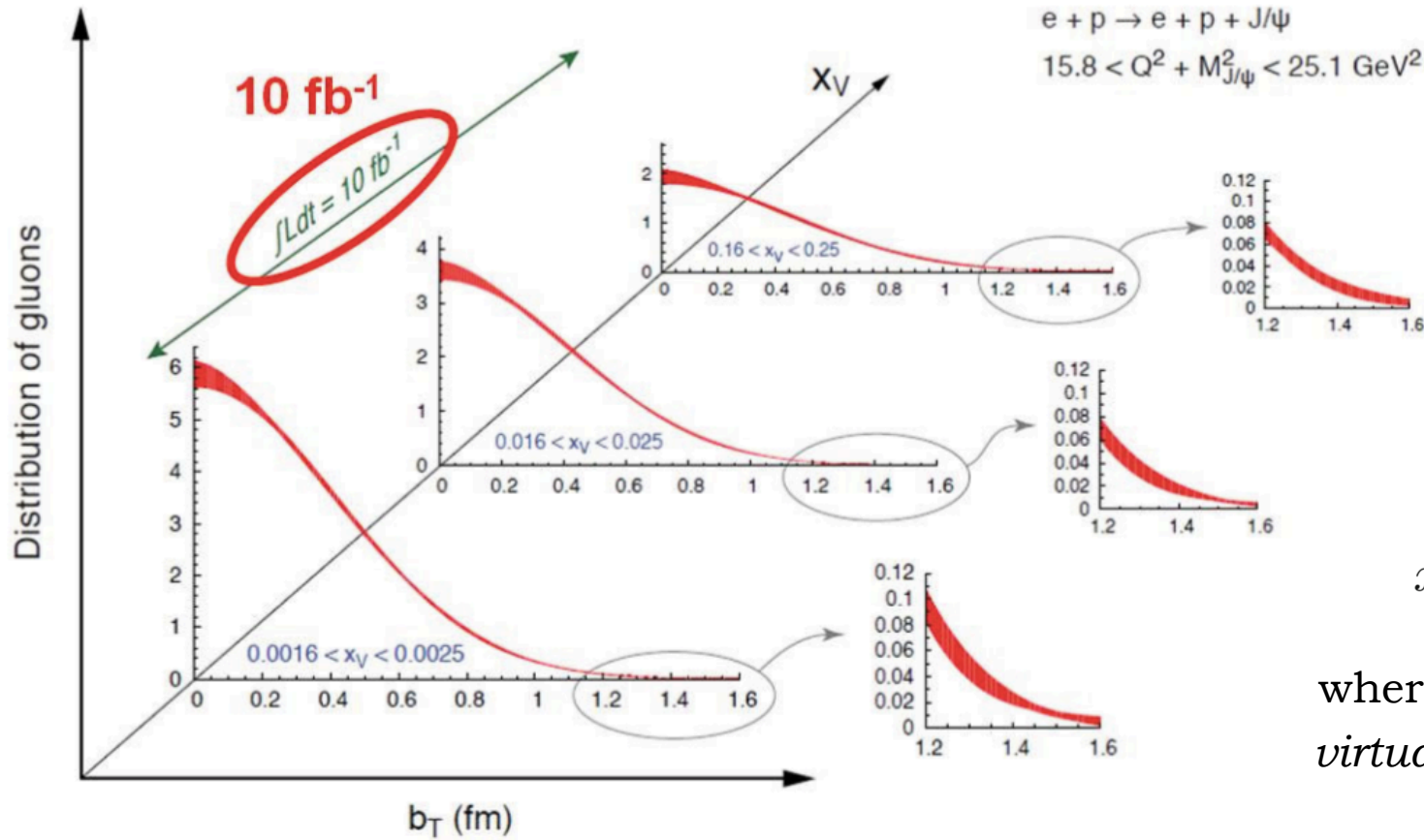
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access to $\text{Re } \mathcal{H}$

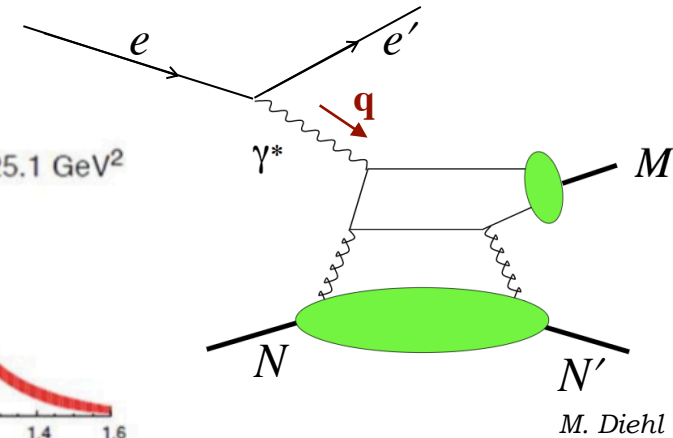


Nucleon tomography: imaging glue

- * Gluon GPDs can be accessed through deeply virtual meson production (DVMP), eg: J/ψ
- * Access to spatial distributions of gluons at different longitudinal momentum fractions:



$e + p \rightarrow e + p + J/\psi$
 $15.8 < Q^2 + M_{J/\psi}^2 < 25.1 \text{ GeV}^2$



Gluon momentum fraction related to:

$$x_V = x_B \left(1 + \frac{M_{J/\psi}^2}{Q^2} \right)$$

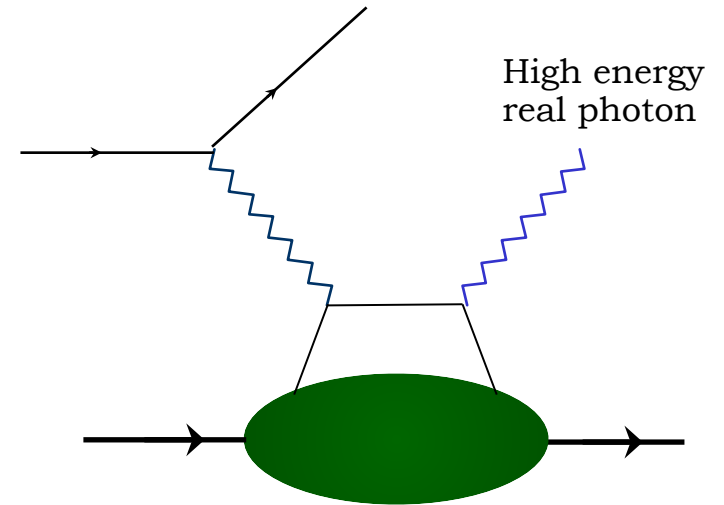
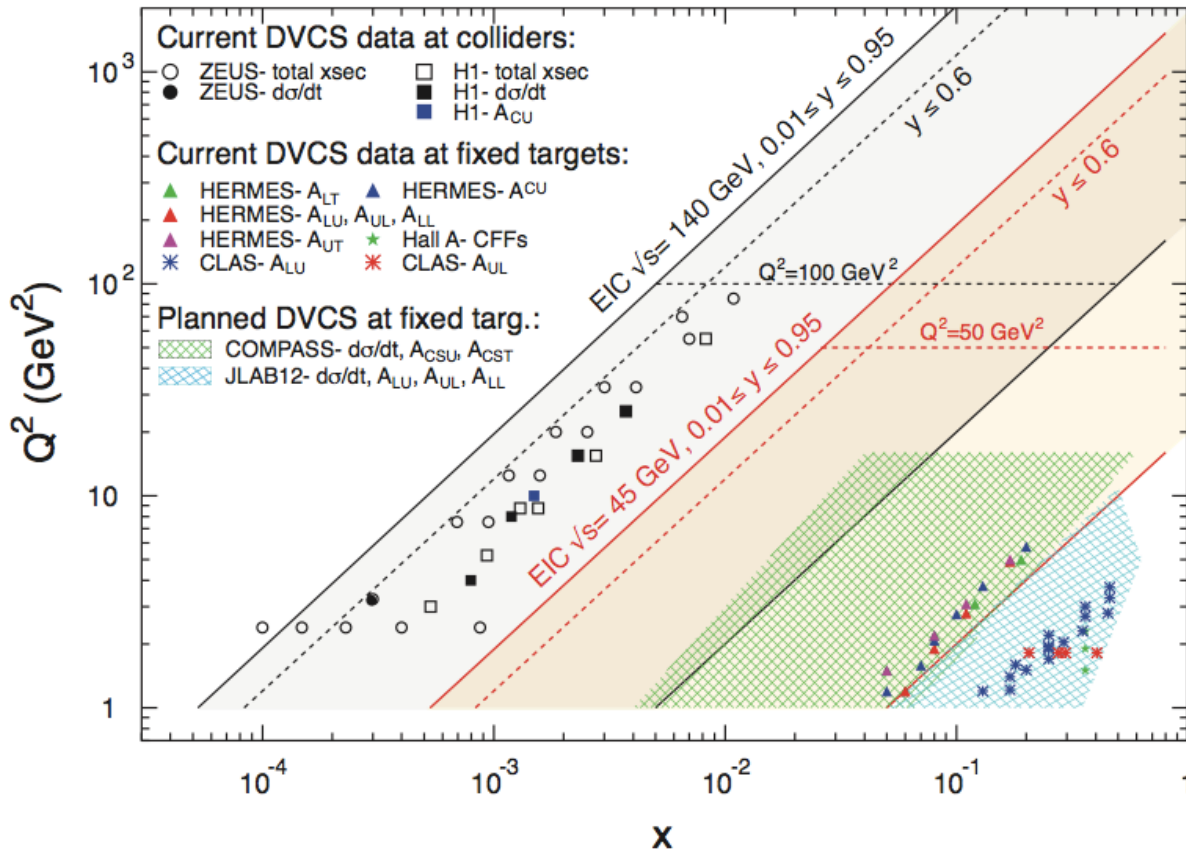
where $Q^2 = -\mathbf{q}^2 = -(\mathbf{p}_e - \mathbf{p}_{e'})^2$
 virtuality of exchanged photon

Bjorken variable $x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2\mathbf{p}_n \cdot \mathbf{q}}$

Nucleon tomography: imaging quarks

- * Quark GPDs are accessible in a related process: Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)

DVCS kinematic reach at the EIC:



- * 3D images of sea quark and gluon distributions from exclusive reactions: DVCS and DVMP.