

DVCS studies @ EIC

White Paper -> Yellow Report -> ATHENA -> ...ePIC

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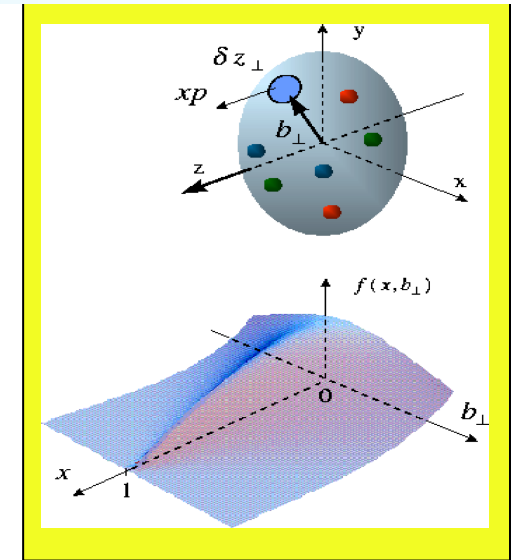
credits and outline

- DVCS studies
 - Pre-White Paper (INT report) and White Paper era
 - The Yellow Report era
 - ATHENA proposal
 - Current updates
- Presentation based on the work of many beyond myself:
 - Kemal Tezgin, Pawel Sznajder, Kong Tu...

Accessing GPDs

$H^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$	$E^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$	for sum over parton helicities
$\tilde{H}^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$	$\tilde{E}^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$	for difference over parton helicities
nucleon helicity conserved	nucleon helicity changed	

The nucleon (spin-1/2) has four quark and gluon GPDs



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \sim A_0 \left[|H|^2(x, t, Q^2) - \frac{t}{4M_p^2} |E|^2(x, t, Q^2) \right]$$

Dominated by **H**
slightly dependent on **E**

$$A_{UT} \propto \sqrt{\frac{-t}{4M^2}} \left[F_2(t) H(\xi, \xi, t, Q^2) - F_1(t) E(\xi, \xi, t, Q^2) + \dots \right]$$

$\sin(\Phi_T - \phi_N)$
governed by **E** and **H**

[Requires a polarized proton target]

Responsible for total orbital angular momentum through Ji sum rule:
a window to the SPIN physics

$$\sum_{q=u,d,s} J^q(Q^2) + J^G(Q^2) = \frac{1}{2} \hbar$$

[X.D. Ji, Phys. Rev. Lett. 78, 610 (1997)]

$$A_C = \frac{d\sigma^+ - d\sigma^-}{d\sigma^+ + d\sigma^-} \propto Re(A)$$

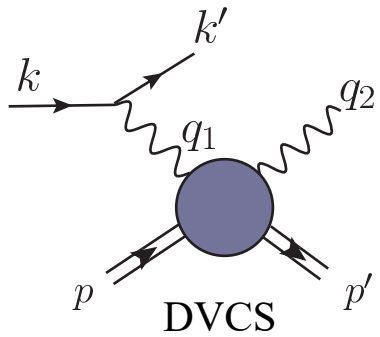
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[Requires a positron beam]

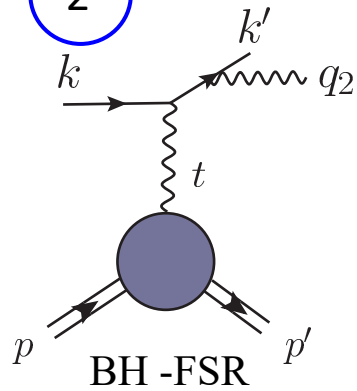
$Re(A)$ related to D-term, "last global unknown property" of a hadron, related to distribution of forces inside the nucleon
[M. V. Polyakov and P. Schweitzer, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 33, no. 26, 1830025 (2018)]

Relevant processes

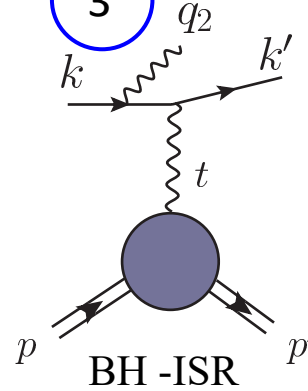
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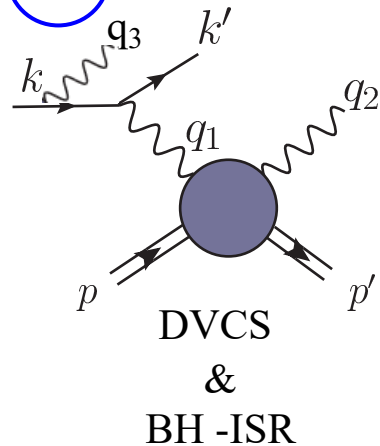


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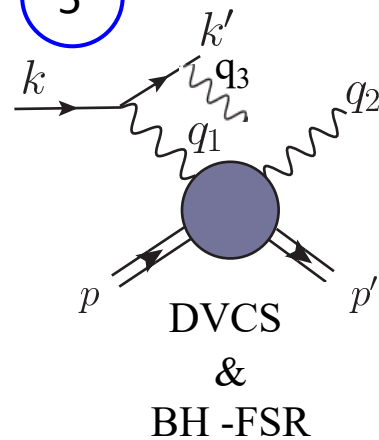


DVCS and Bethe-Heitler have the same final state topology

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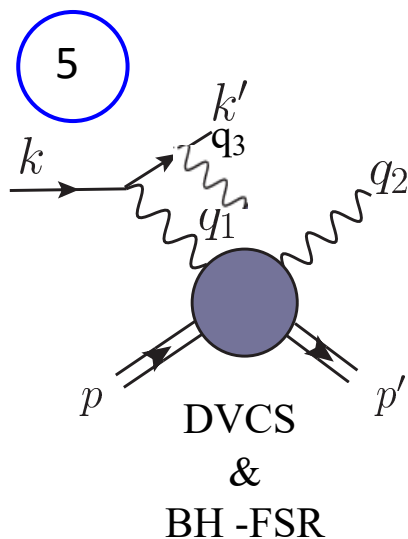
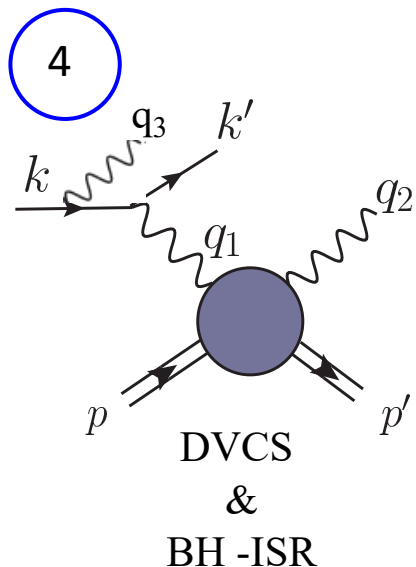
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The relevant processes are:

- DVCS (1)
- BH initial (3) and final (2) state rad.
- ISR (4) and FSR (5) in DVCS

Radiative corrections



process 4 (ISR):

Photon collinear to the incoming beam and goes down the beam line

→ this contribution can only be estimated via MC

→ this causes a correction of the kinematics (x and Q^2) and some systematic uncertainty

process 5 (FSR):

photon collinear to the outgoing scattered lepton

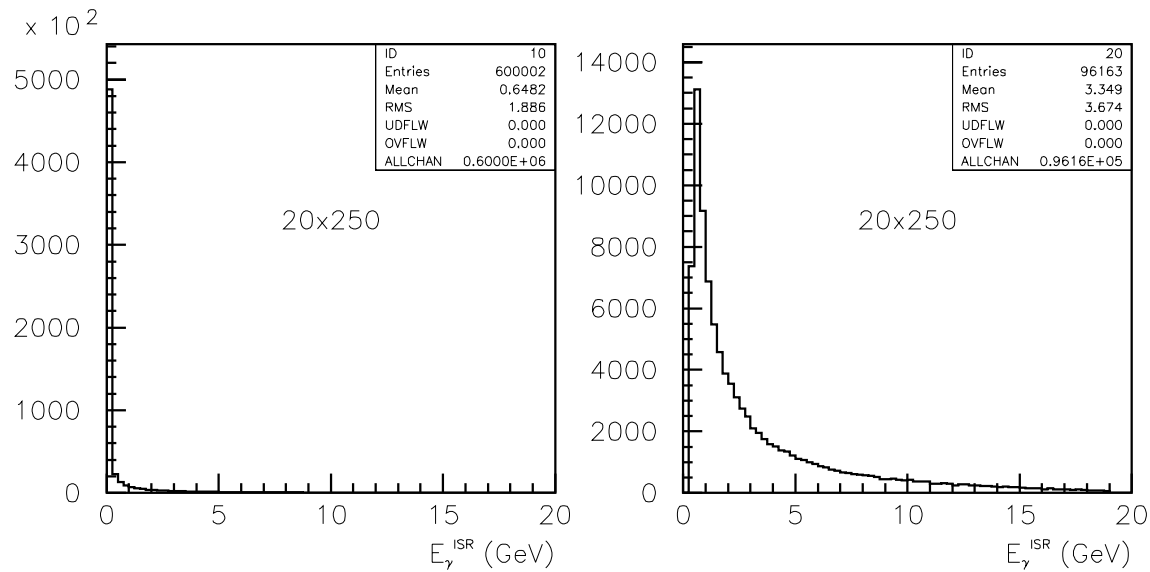
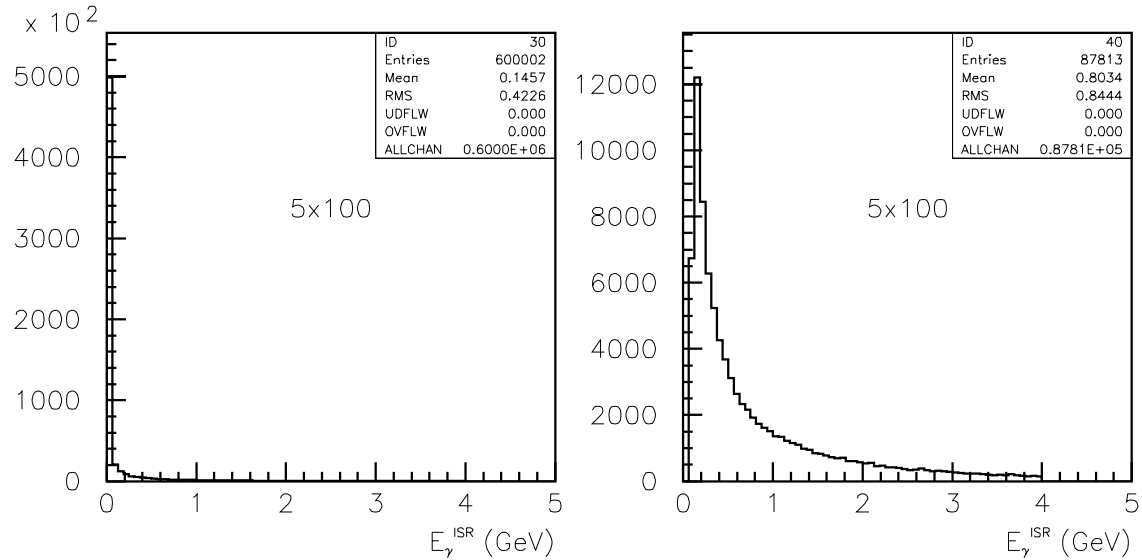
❖ If lepton is band only little in magnetic field, EM-cluster of photon and lepton collapse to one

→ no contribution (total electron energy measured correctly)

❖ If photon and lepton are separated enough in magnetic field, it leads to 3 EM-clusters in event

→ no contribution (event will not pass DVCS selection criteria)

Contribution from ISR

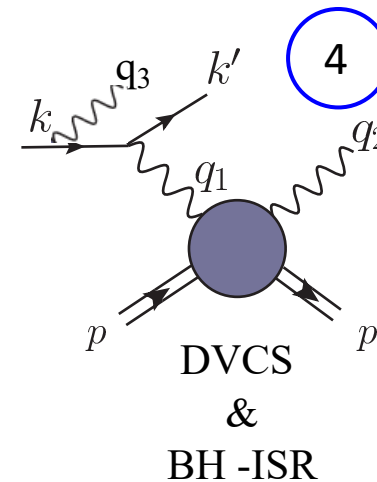


The energy spectrum of the emitted BH photon in process 4 for two different EIC beam energy combinations.

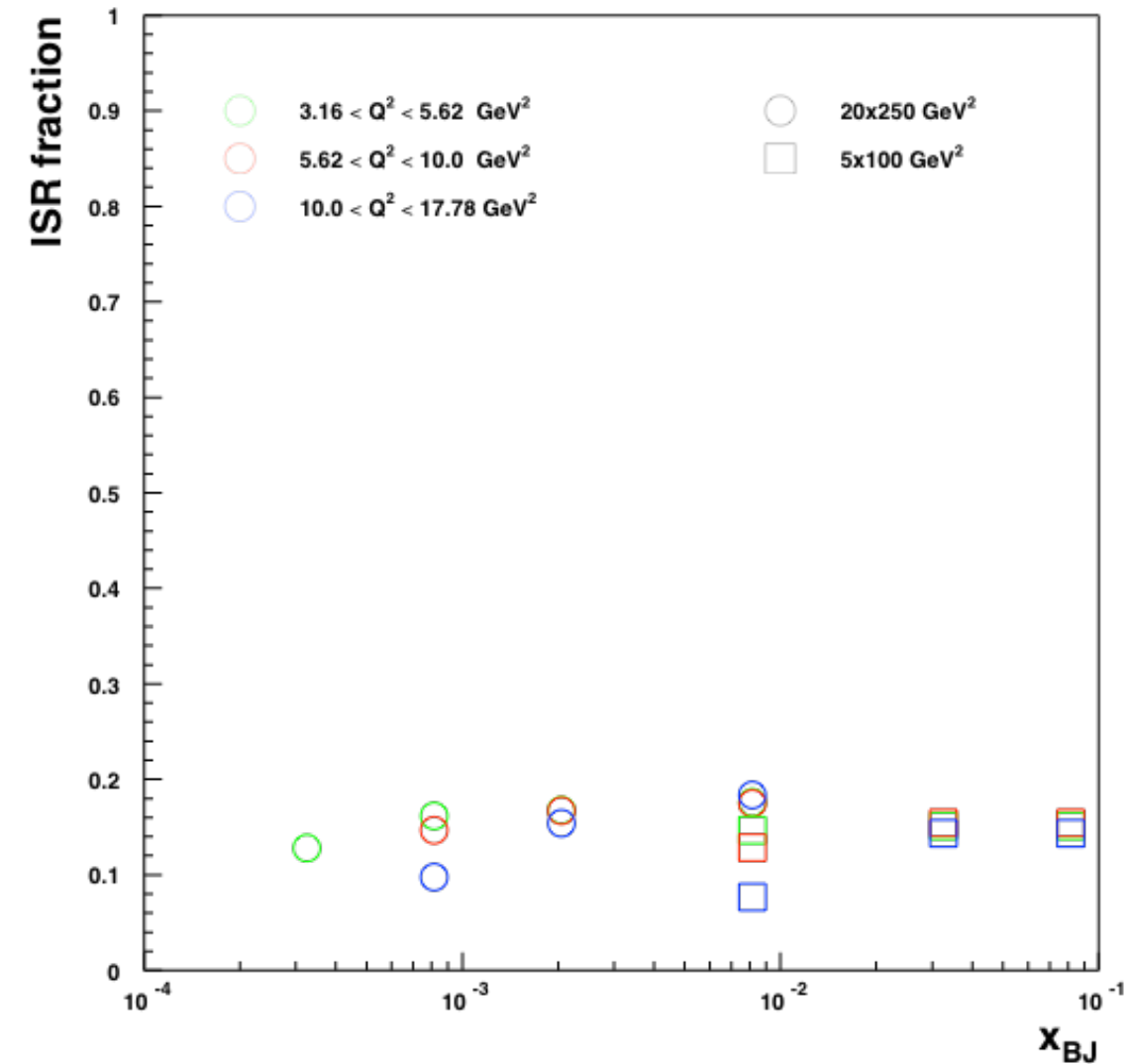
The right plots show the same photon spectra but requiring:

$$E_\gamma = 0.02 * E_e$$

Photons with $E_\gamma < 0.02 E_e$ do not result in a significant correction for the event kinematics.



Contribution from ISR

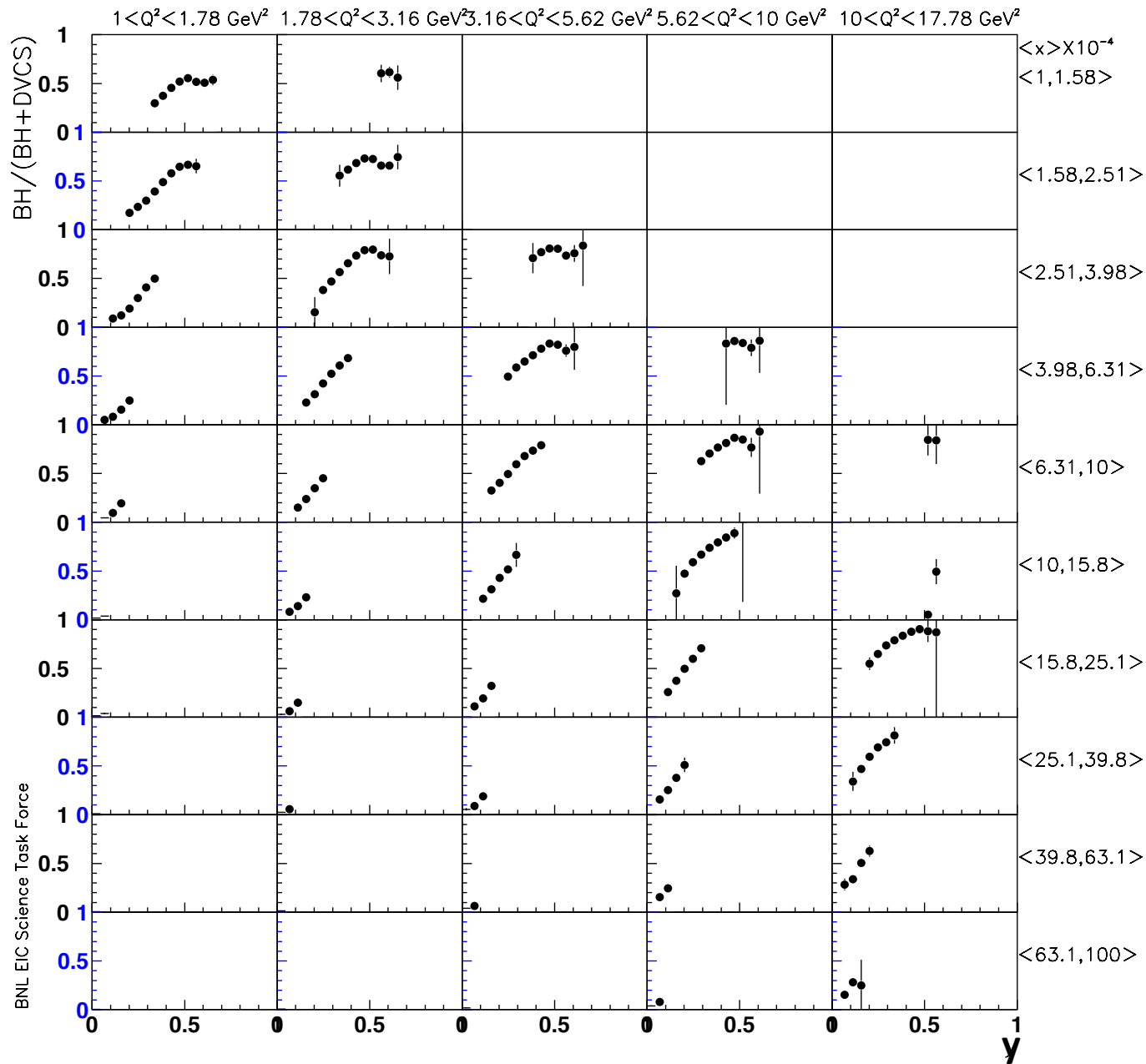


Fraction of process 4 (ISR events) for 3 Q^2 -bins as fct. of x for 2 EIC beam energy combinations

Only ISR with $E_\gamma = 0.02 E_e$

ONLY 15% of the events emit a photon with $E > 2\%$ energy of the incoming electron

20 X 250



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BH contamination

Special selection criteria (see Kemal's talk) can be optimized to suppress BH below 60% at large $y > 0.5$

20 x 250 GeV^2

- BH subtraction will be not an issue for $y < 0.6$
- But... BH subtraction will be relevant at lower energies and large y , in many x - Q^2 bins
- Low energy configurations require extra care

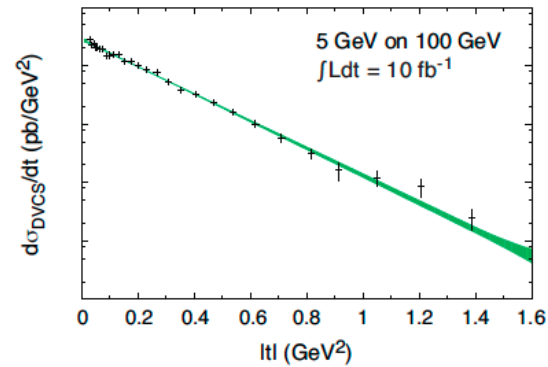
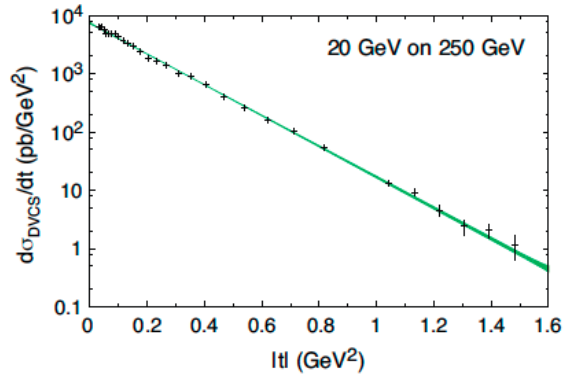
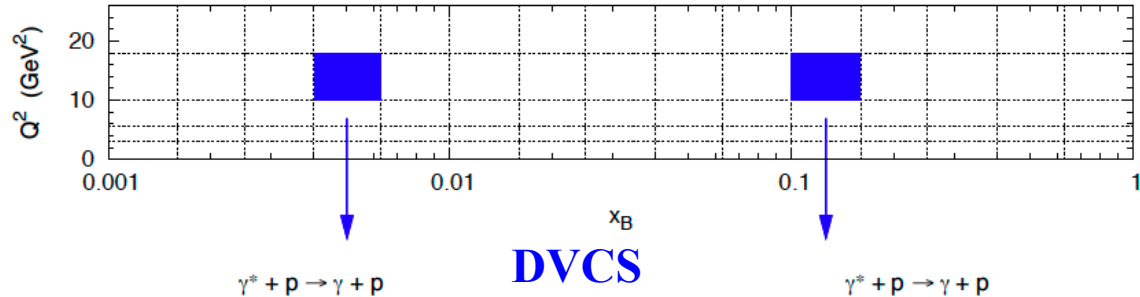
Generator: MILOU

Now confirmed by simulations with the novel EpIC generator

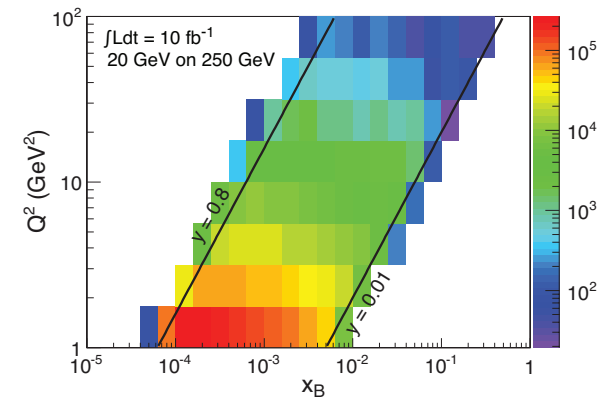
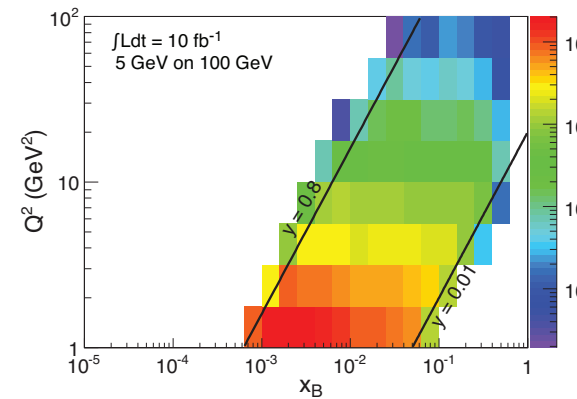
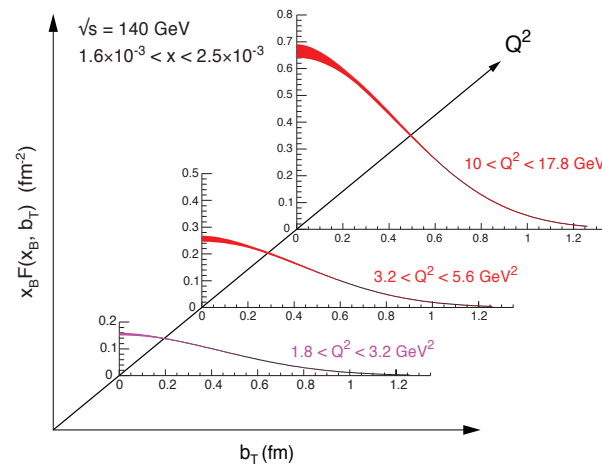
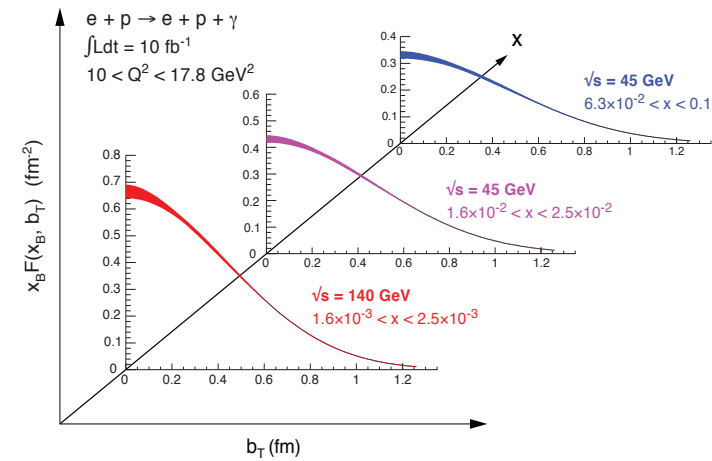
DVCS – differential cross section

$$\int L = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

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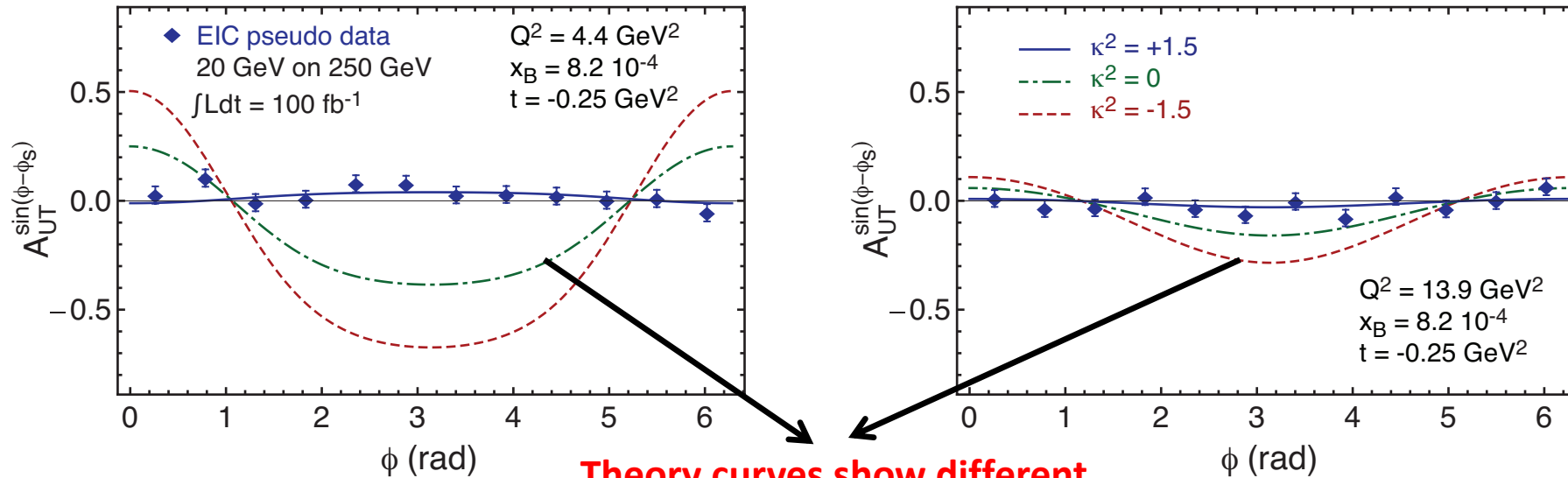
- $L = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ per energy configuration
- **Measurement dominated by systematics**
- Fine binning in a wide range of x - Q^2 needed for GPDs
- **Assumed t -range:** $0.03 < |t| \text{ (GeV}^2\text{)} < 1.6$
- Fourier transform of $d\sigma/dt \rightarrow$ partonic profiles



DVCS – Transverse T. Spin Asymmetry

$$\int L = 100 \text{fb}^{-1}$$

E.C. Aschenauer, S. F., K. Kumerički, D. Müller [JHEP09(2013)093]



Theory curves show different assumptions for E

Transversely polarized protons: $\sin(\Phi_T - \phi_N)$ gives access to GPD E

Access to orbital angular momentum through “Ji sum rule”

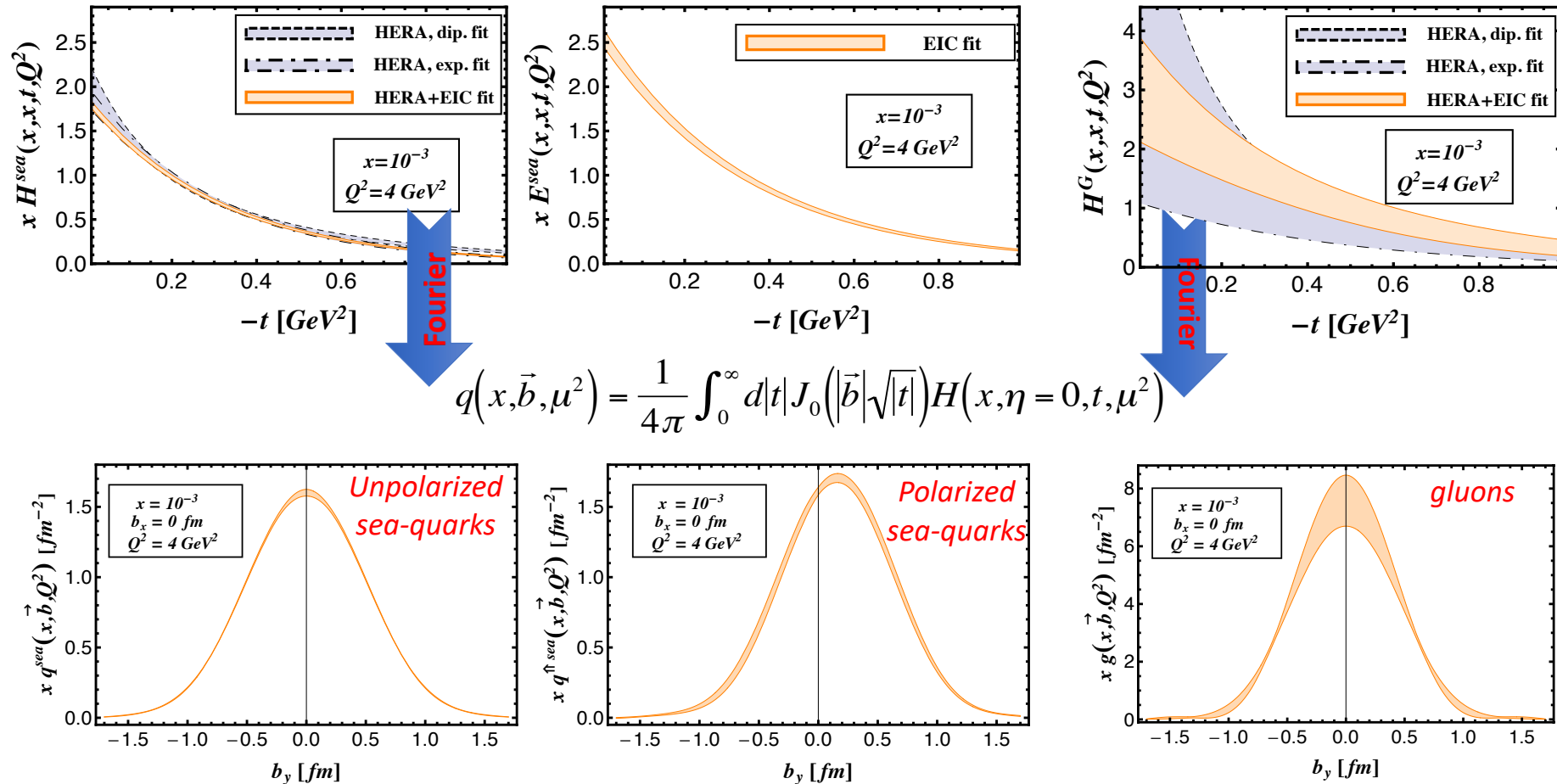
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DVCS-based spatial imaging

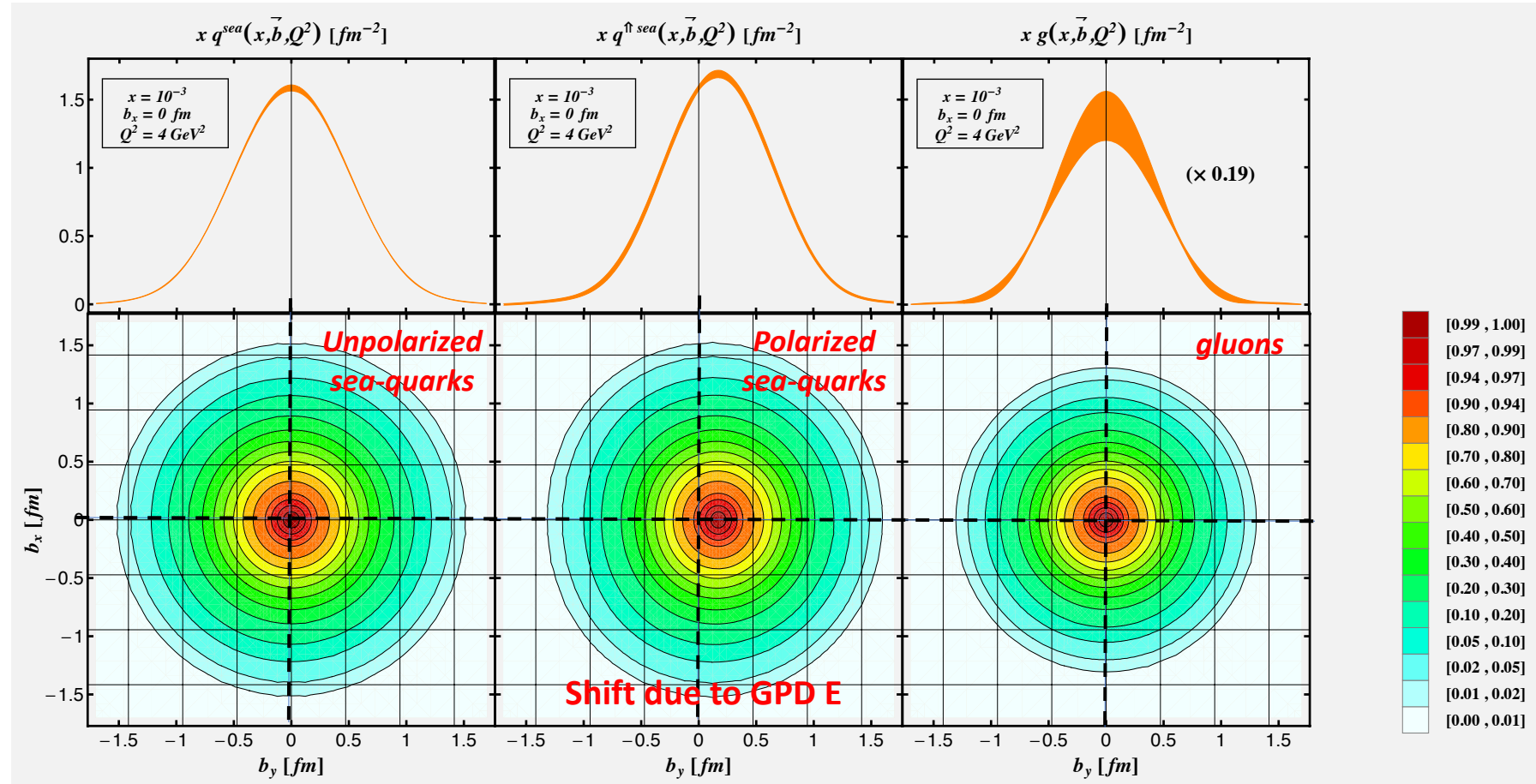
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- A global fit over all mock data was done, based on: [Nuclear Physics B 794 (2008) 244–323]
- Known values $q(x)$, $g(x)$ are assumed for H^q , H^g (at $t=0$ forward limits E^q , E^g are unknown)

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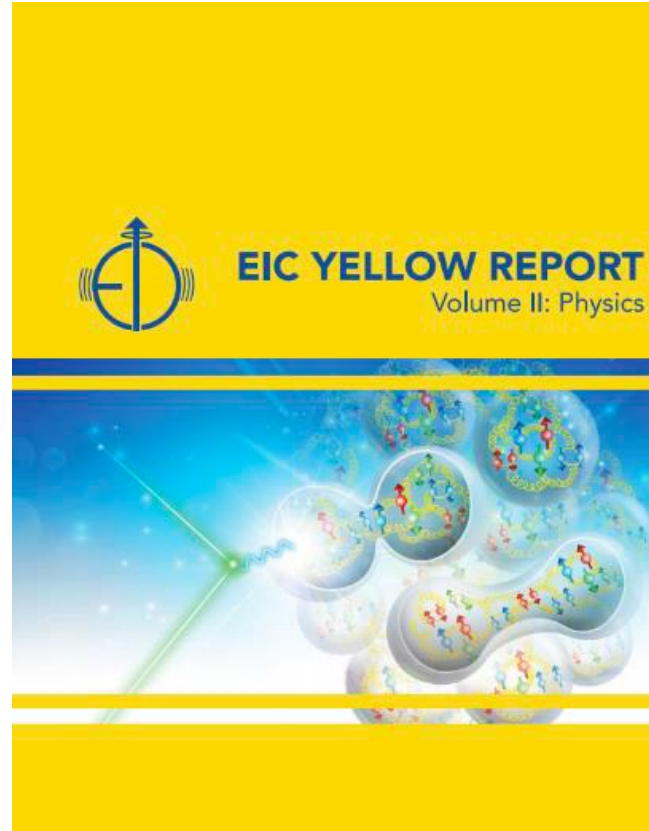
Much still to be investigated!

- Gluon GPD H can be much improved by including J/ψ
- Access to gluon GPD E \rightarrow orbital momentum (Ji sum rule)
- Flavor Separation of GPDs (VMP and/or DVCS on deuteron)
- Nuclear imaging (modification of GPDs in p+A collisions)

Impact of EIC (based on DVCS only):

- ✓ Excellent reconstruction of H^{sea} , and H^g (from $d\sigma/dt$)
- ✓ Reconstruction of sea-quarks GPD E

The Yellow Report studies



arXiv:2103.05419

Comparison of GK and KM20 in MILOU 3D

- We compare the generation of purely DVCS events in MILOU with GK (by PARTONS) and KM20 @ EIC beam energies
- Generation parameters as follows:

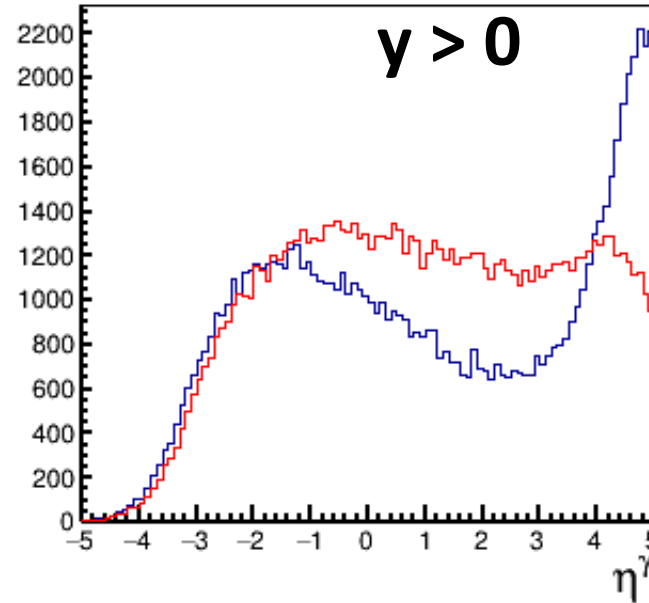
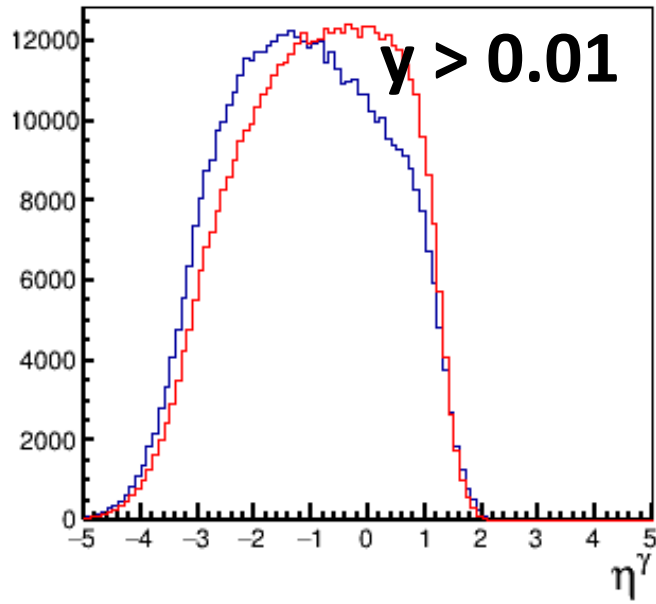
of Generated Events: 500k /configuration

Kinematical cuts at generation level

- $10^{-4} < x < 0.9$
- $1.0 < Q^2 < 100 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $0.01 < |t| < 1.6 \text{ GeV}^2$
- **$0.01 < y < 0.95$ [inelasticity]**
- $E_{\text{min}}^{\text{el}} = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$

Photons at Forward Rapidity

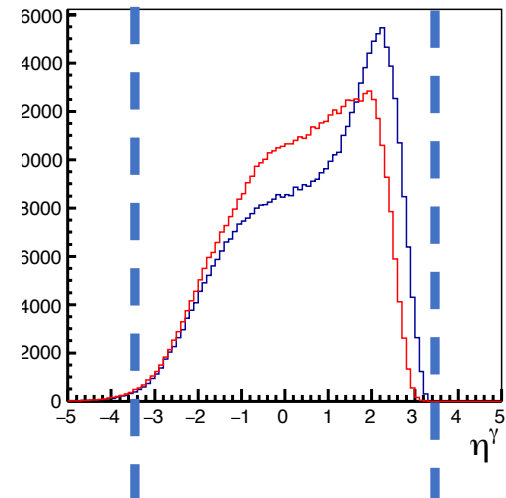
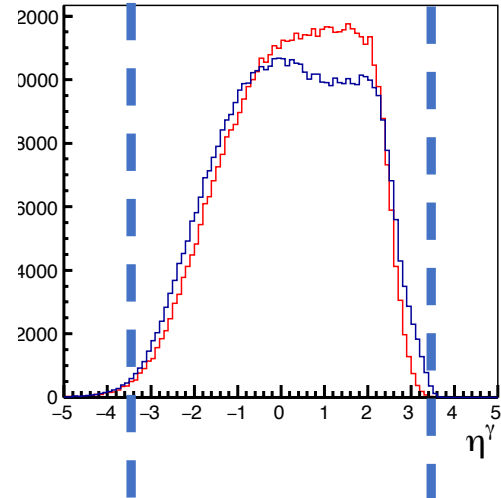
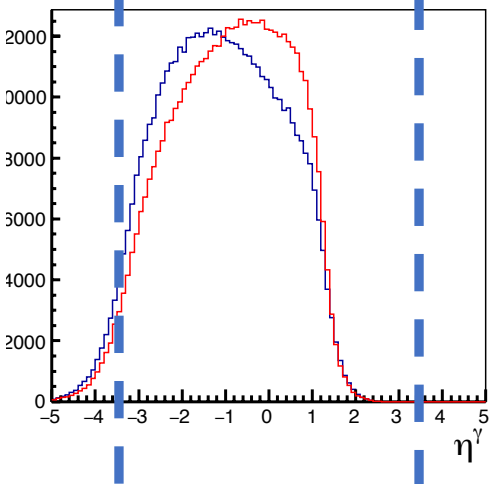
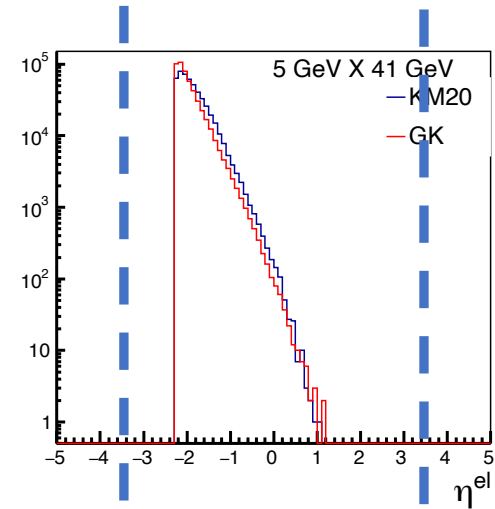
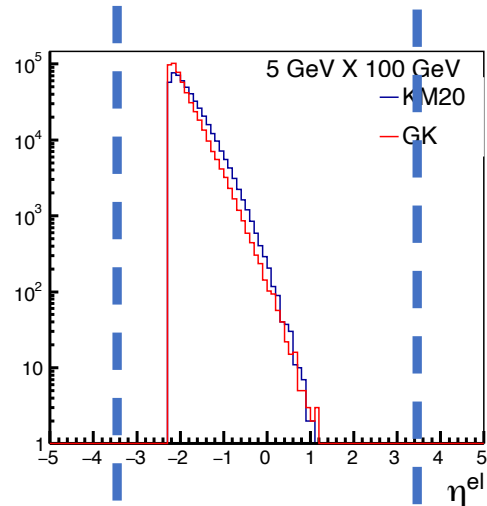
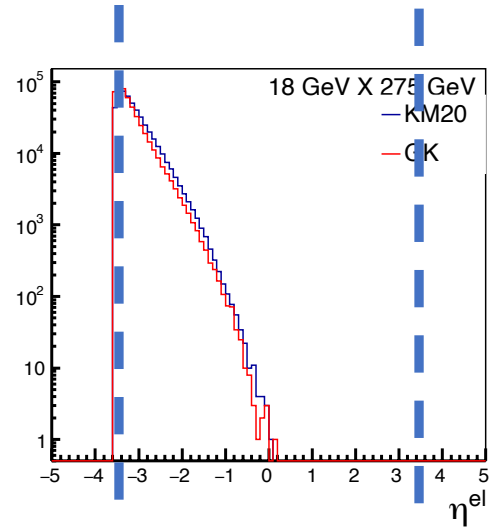
MILOU (GK, KM20)



- Photons extended to forward rapidity!
- There was some discussion on this withing the Y.R., as it seemed to contrast with expectations from W.P. and plots with MILOU
- After investigation we found that this is driven by the lower inelasticity cuts (commonly assume $y > 0.01$)

DVCS – model comparison

Blue dashed bars mark $|\eta| < 3.5$ acceptance



Simulated with MILOU 3D

- Not a significant impact of $|\eta| < 3.5$
- At large energies, extending to $\eta > \sim -3.7$ helps measuring the peak of the scattered electron

DVCS vs exclusive π^0

❑ Why we worry about a background from “ $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ” ?

1) The two decay photons could merge into one

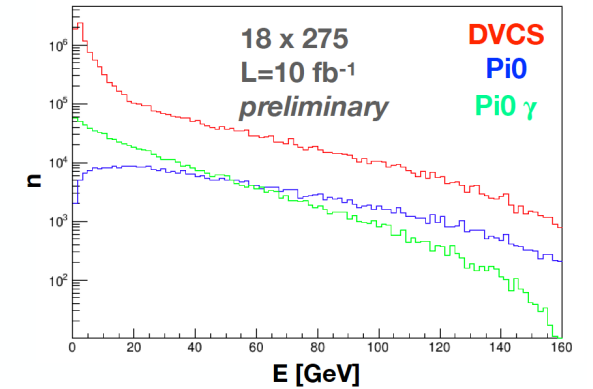
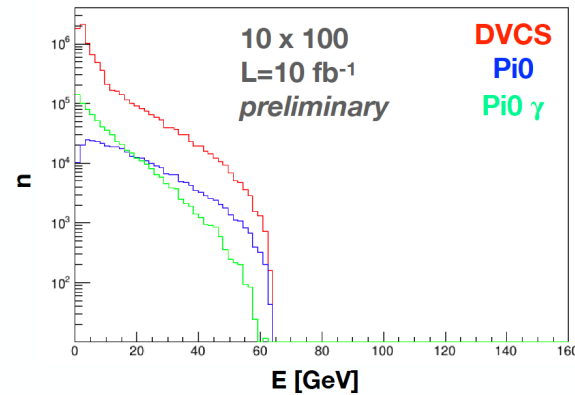
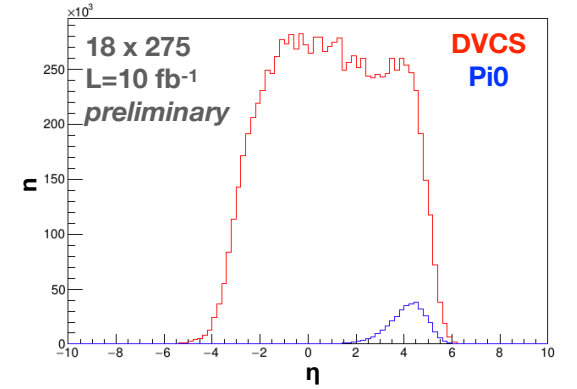
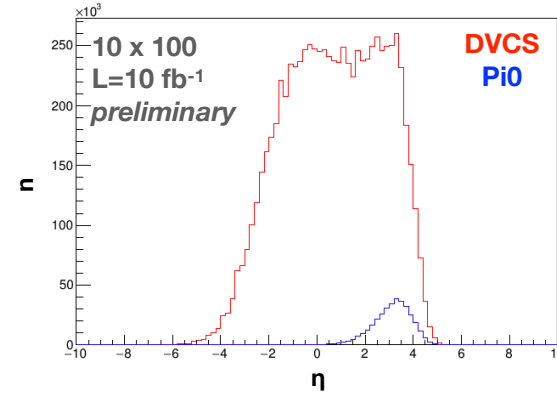
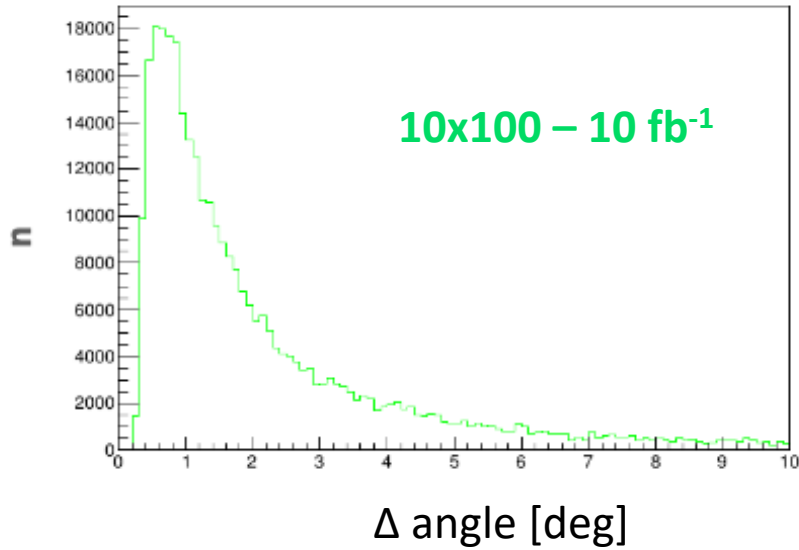
2) One of the photons could go out of the acceptance

❑ Study based on [Goloskokov-Kroll model](#)

❑ Kinematic range:

- $10^{-4} < x_B < 0.7$
- $1 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 1000 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $0 < |t| < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

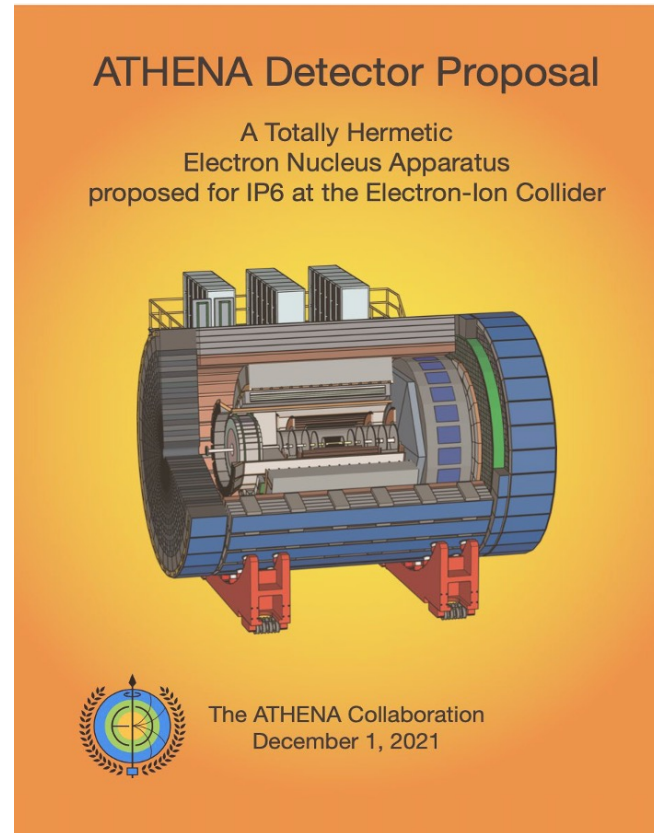
DVCS vs exclusive π^0



Take away message:

- π^0 x-sec lower than signal (DVCS)
- Min 2γ angle ~ 0.2 deg
- Exclusive π^0 can reach high momentum/energy (but xSec decreases with meson's energy)

Studies at the times of the ATHENA proposal



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The EpIC generator: a new tool!



Kemal Tezgin's talk

EpIC: novel Monte Carlo generator for exclusive processes

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Abstract We present the EpIC Monte Carlo event generator for exclusive processes sensitive to generalised parton distributions. EpIC utilises the PARTONS framework, which provides a flexible software architecture and a variety of modelling options for the partonic description of the nucleon. The generator offers a comprehensive set of features, including multi-channel capabilities and radiative corrections. It may be used both in analyses of experimental data, as well as in impact studies, especially for future electron-ion colliders.

like separations. In case there is no momentum transfer to the nucleon, *i.e.* in the forward limit, certain GPDs become equivalent to PDFs. Additionally, the first Mellin moments of GPDs are related to elastic form factors. In this regard, GPDs may be viewed as a unified concept of elastic form factors studied via elastic scattering processes and one-dimensional parton distribution functions studied via (semi-) inclusive scattering processes. Another key aspect of GPDs is their relation to nucleon tomography. The Fourier transform of GPDs are related to the impact parameter space distribution.

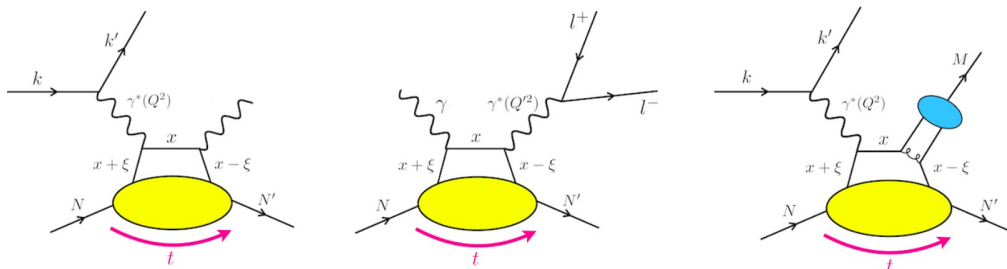
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- **EpIC**: an event generator for exclusive reactions
 - Named after EIC and the philosopher *Epicurus*
 - Note: we inspired the name for EIC detecor-1 😊
- **EpIC** uses the **PARTONS** framework (<http://partons.cea.fr>), takes advantage of:
 - two state-of-art GPD models (GK, KM20)
 - flexibility for adding new models
- **Multiple channels**: DVCS, TCS, π^0
 - Initial and final state radiative corrections are implemented based on the collinear approximation
 - flexibility for adding all exclusive mesons



The EpIC generator

Kemal Tezgin's talk

- EpIC uses mini FOAM to generate random events
- GPDs framework:



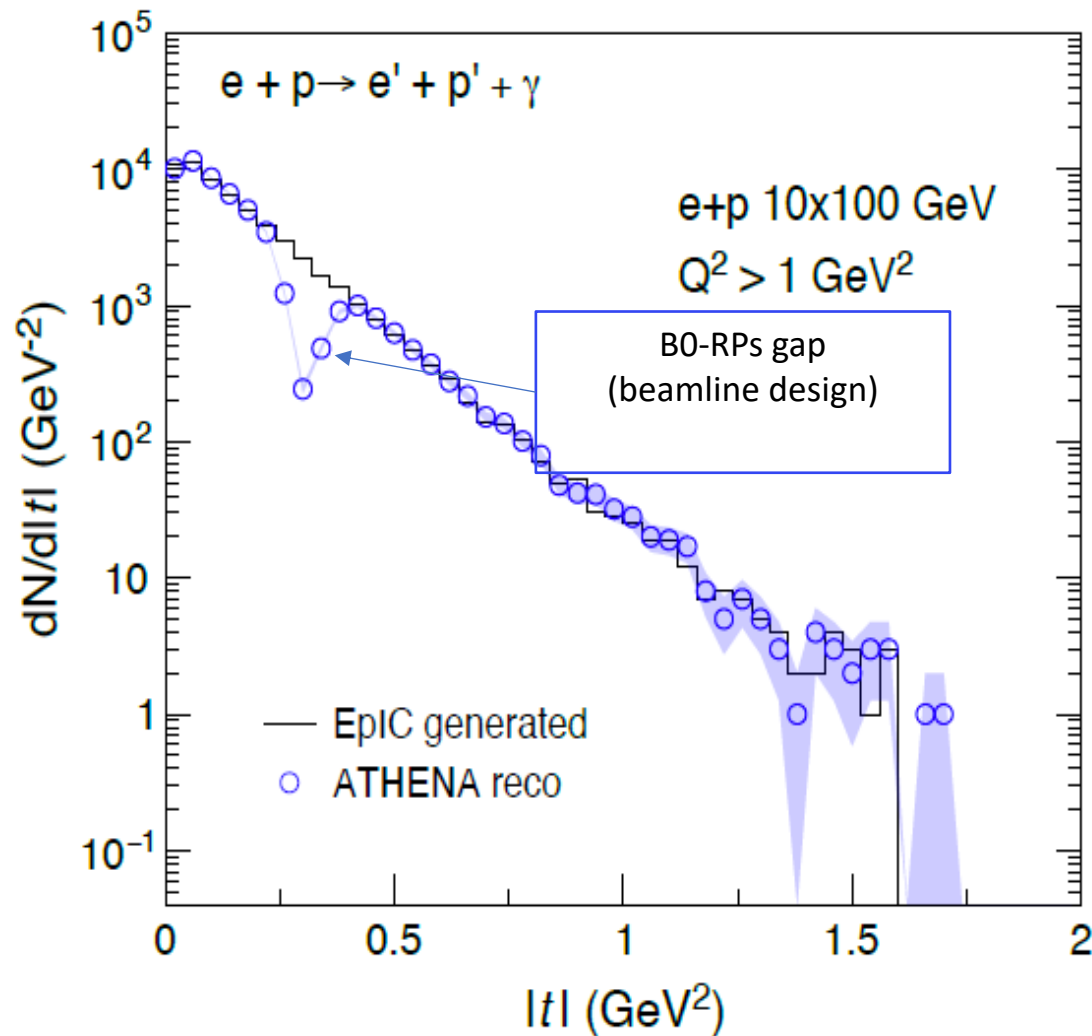
- Written in **C++**, XML interface for automated tasks, [open source](#)
- Flexible Architecture that utilises a modular programming paradigm
- Used for the [ATHENA proposal](#): DVCS and TCS performance studies
- **Input file:** model, model parameters, number of events, kinematic limits, beam and target type, beam helicity, target polarization, beam and target energy, mFOAM parameters
- **Output file:** 4-vectors of all particles

ATHENA performance plots

- Plot made with full simulation
- DVCS events simulated using *EpIC*

Key:

- Acceptance (including FF)
- γ/π^0 separation in ECAL
- t - lever arm in FF spectrometers



Observables:

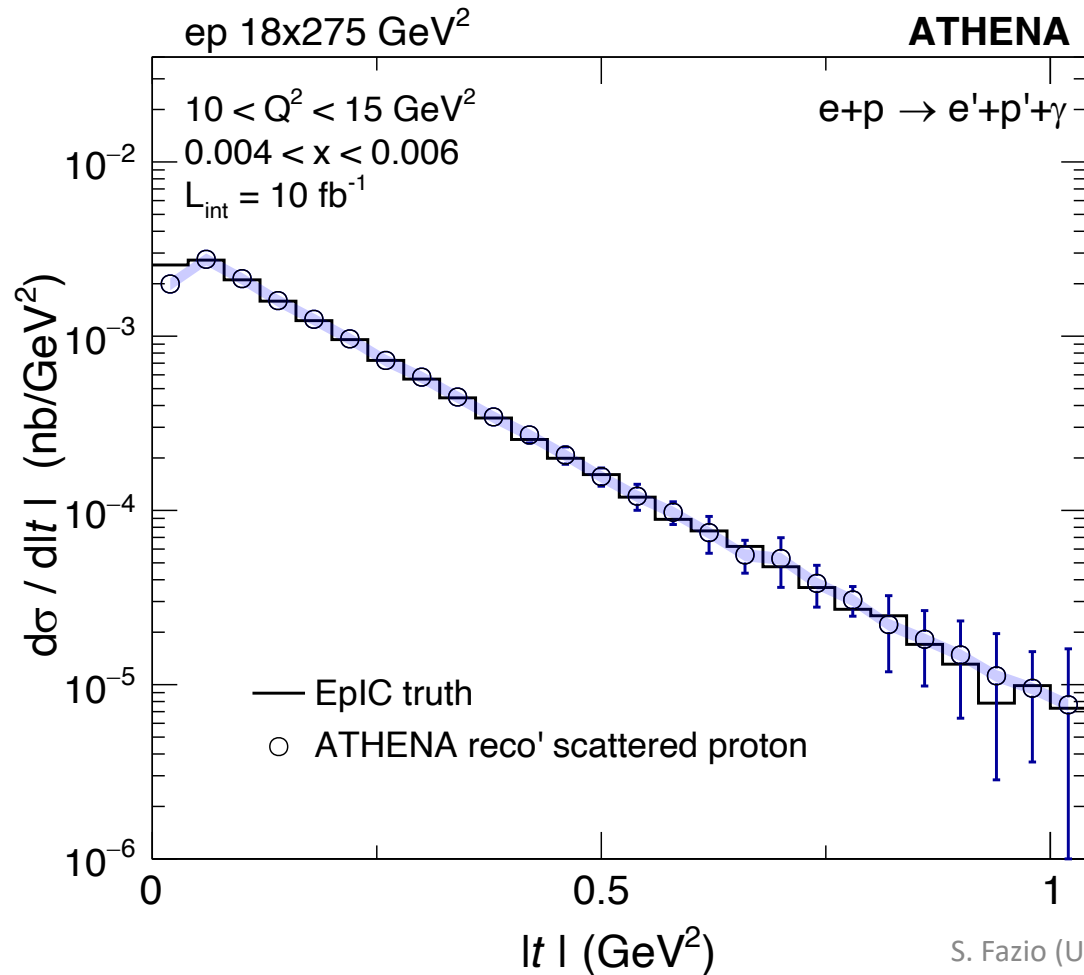
$d\sigma/dt; A_{LU}; A_{UT}$

Asymmetries (DVCS & TCS):

GPDs via amplitude-level interference with Bethe-Heitler

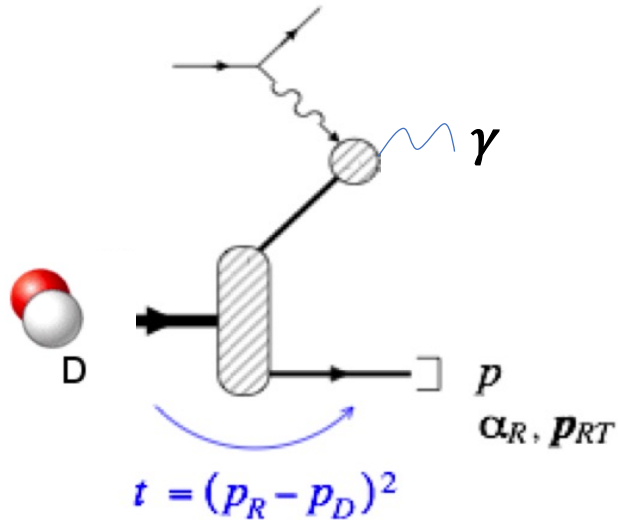
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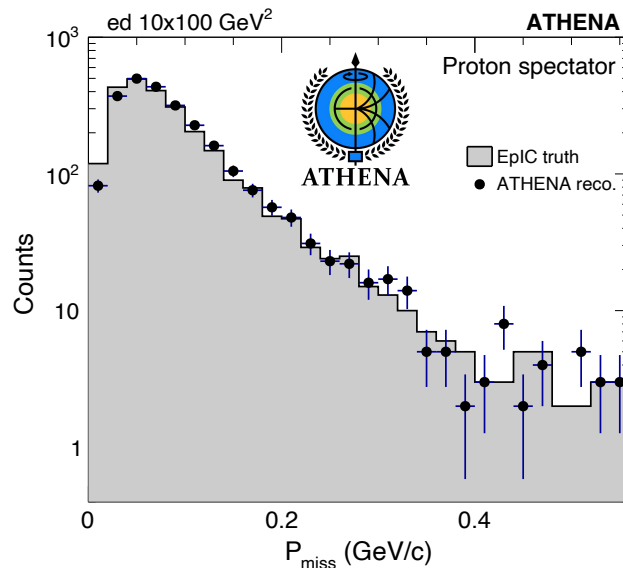
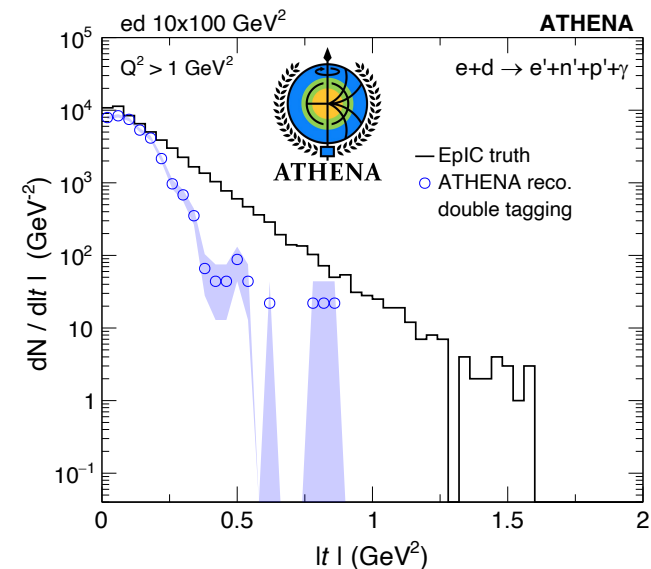
- **Process: DVCS**
 $e + p \rightarrow e' + p' + \gamma$
- **Parameters**
 - 10 < Q² < 15 GeV²
 - 0.004 < x < 0.006
 - Beam energy: 18 GeV x 275 GeV e+p
 - Luminosity = 10 fb⁻¹
- **Uncertainties**
 - 1M simulated events
 - **Error bars (statistical)** are rescaled to 10 fb⁻¹ equivalent;
 - **Blue band (systematics):** *assumed 8% constant systematics*
→ Note that estimating systematics at the current stage is nearly impossible. Arbitrary 8% is a very conservative number)

Study of neutrons with light nuclei



- Possibility to study neutron structure
 - DVCS on neutron compared to proton is important for flavor u/d separation
- DVCS on incoherent D (D breaks up) but coherent on the neutron, the “double tagging” method**

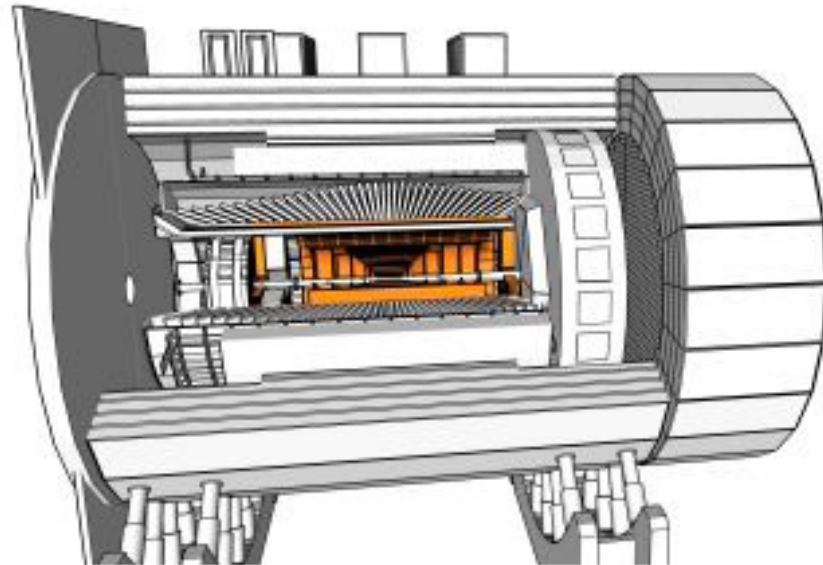
- Tag DIS on a neutron (by the ZDC)
- Measure the recoil proton momentum
- The recoil proton momentum cone is
 - $\alpha_R = (E_R + p_{R||}) / (E_D + p_{D||})$ and p_{RT}
- Gives you a free neutron structure, not affected by final state interactions



ATHENA – DVCS on e+D:

- 80-90% acceptance at low $|t|$,
- $|t|$ -acceptance loss at higher value mostly due to the loss in tagging the active neutron in ZDC.
- Alternatively, $|t|$ can be measured via scattered e and $\gamma \rightarrow$ higher acceptance at large $|t|$.
- Proton momentum is well reconstructed

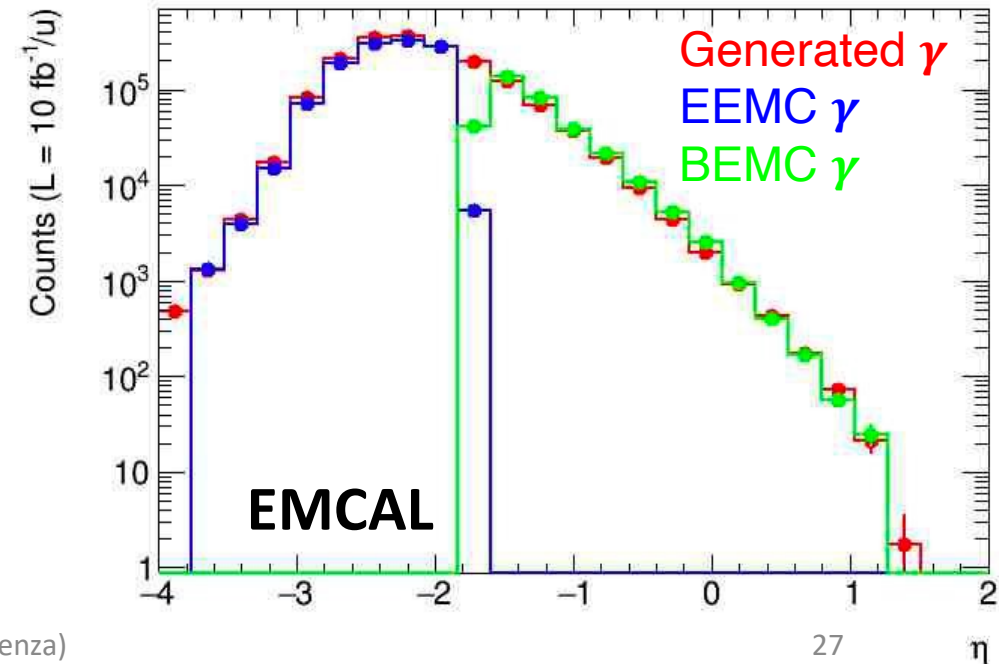
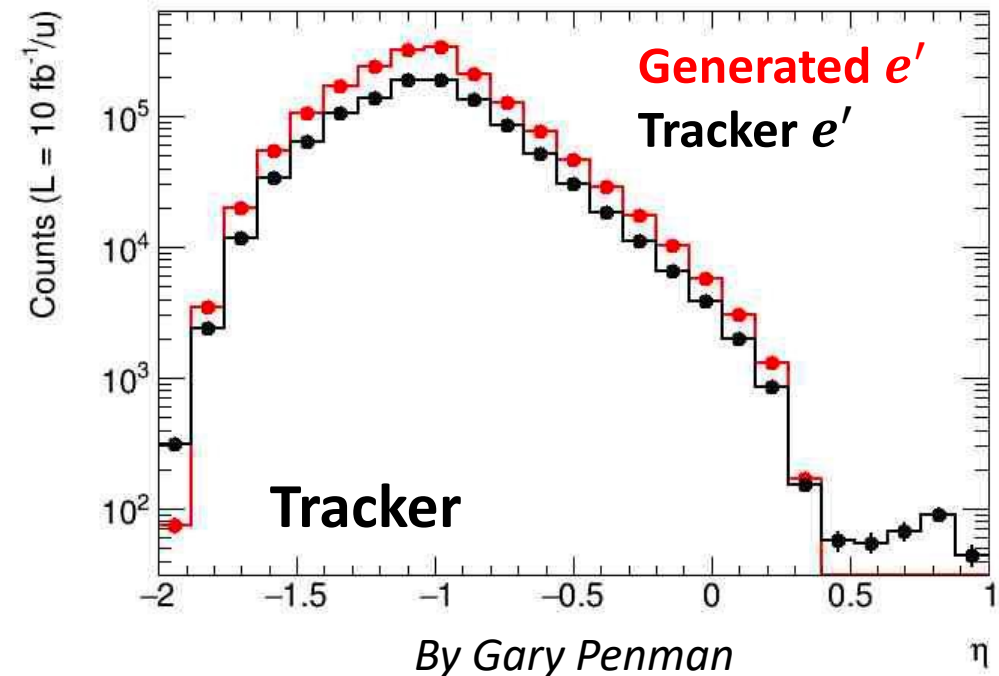
After Preproposal time
the dawn of the ePIC detector



DVCS with ^4He

Process which can give understanding of EMC effect, and tomographic view of nucleons.

- Pure DVCS illustrated by “Handbag Mechanism”
- TOPEG MC generator: by Perugia+Orsay
- Detector simulation: EpIC with fun-4-all
- Electron detection:
 - electron: # of tracks in internal Si tracker = 1
 - electron acceptance $\sim 88.3\%$
- Photon detection:
 - # ele tracks = 1 && # ECAL hits > 0 && max cluster energy: $E_{\text{max}} > 250 \text{ MeV}$
 - photon acceptance $\sim 86.1\%$



New Radiative corrections studies

- EplC generator includes both ISR & FSR
- Pure DVCS with 10 GeV electron and 100 GeV proton

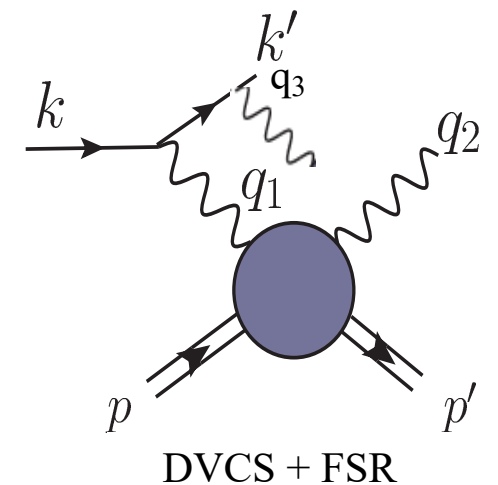
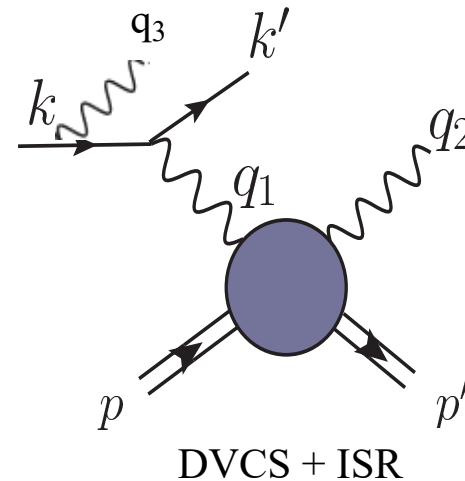
- Kinematic cuts:

$$0.0001 < x_B < 0.63$$

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

$$0.04 < |t| < 1.3 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$0.01 < y < 0.6$$



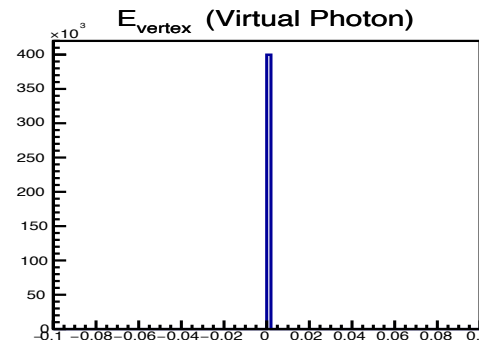
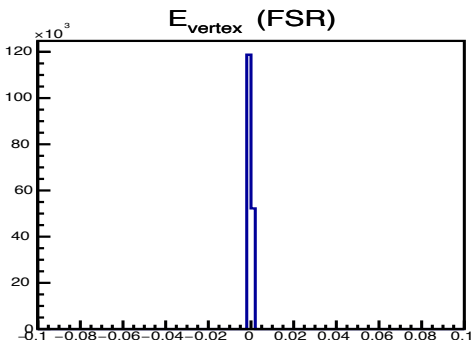
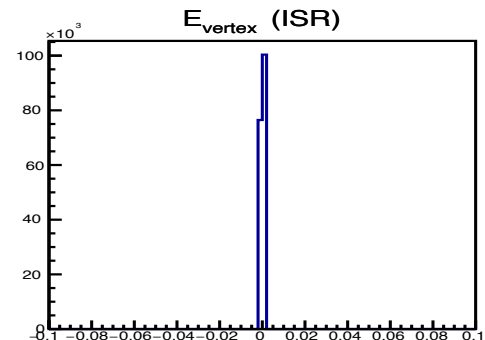
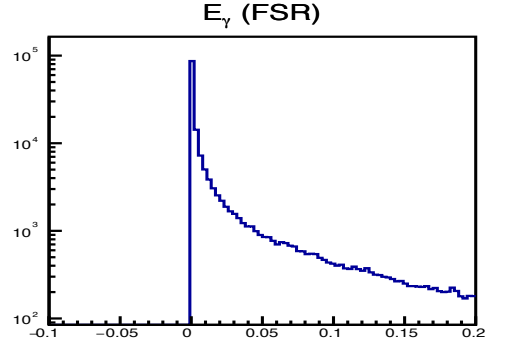
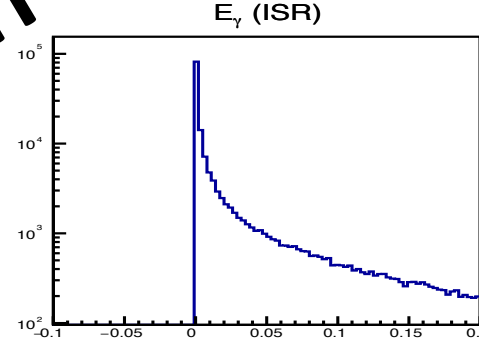
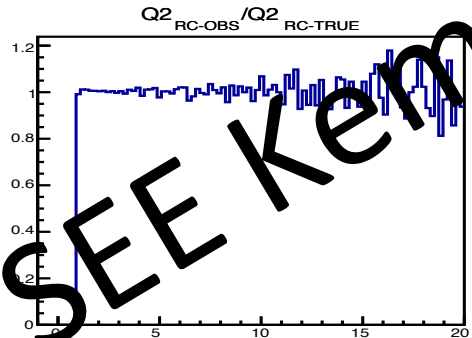
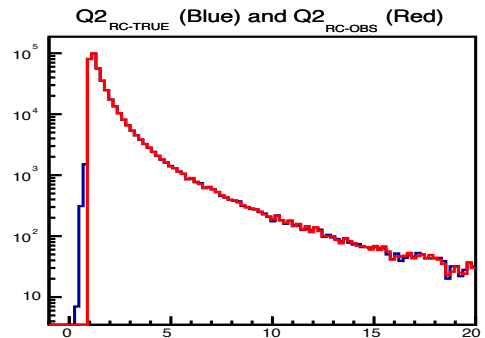
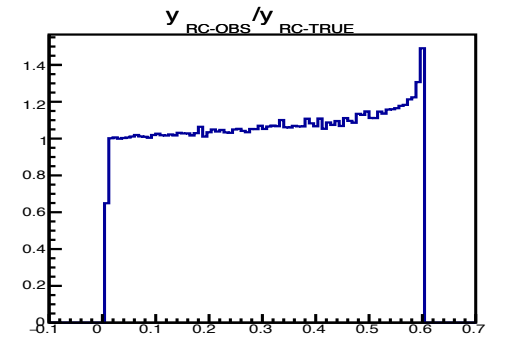
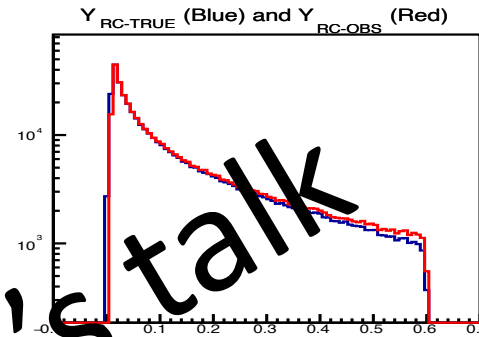
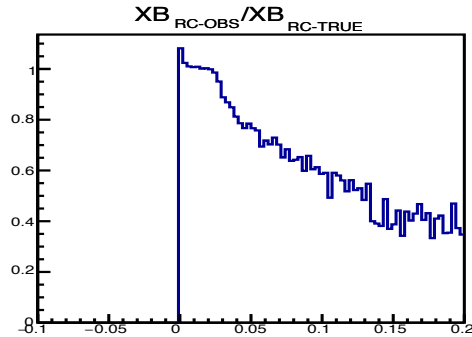
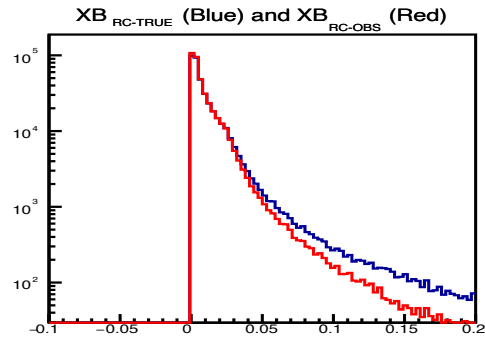
To reduce radiative corrections (established at HERA!):

- FSR: e/gamma separation in EMCAL (granularity)
- $\sum E - P_z > \sim 2E_e$ (cut little below this threshold)

10 x 100 GeV²

No cut on $\sum E - P_z$ & $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$

ϵ param. linked to minimum rad. photon energy



SEE Kemal's talk

The present: impact studies!

- We aim at performing new impact studies for extracting GPDs, similarly to what was done in JHEP09(2013)093, now with:
 - geant-4 simulation of the [ePIC detector response](#) and [realistic event reconstruction](#)
 - BH subtraction in xsec and π^0 background studies
 - state of art models: GK and KM20
 - we should reassess π^0 with a full simulation
- Status of ePIC detector simulation:
 - full GEANT4 bases simulation exists: DD4HEP, Jana2 (EICRecon) ...
 - first “serious” full-simulation campaign to start (hopefully) in November
- EpIC generator (see Kemal’s talk!):
 - fully replaces MILOU & MILUO 3D. Maintained, using state or art models
 - Anyone encouraged to use it: [arXiv:2205.01762](#)
 - Suggested future: add mesons, light ions (D, He) including incoherent D