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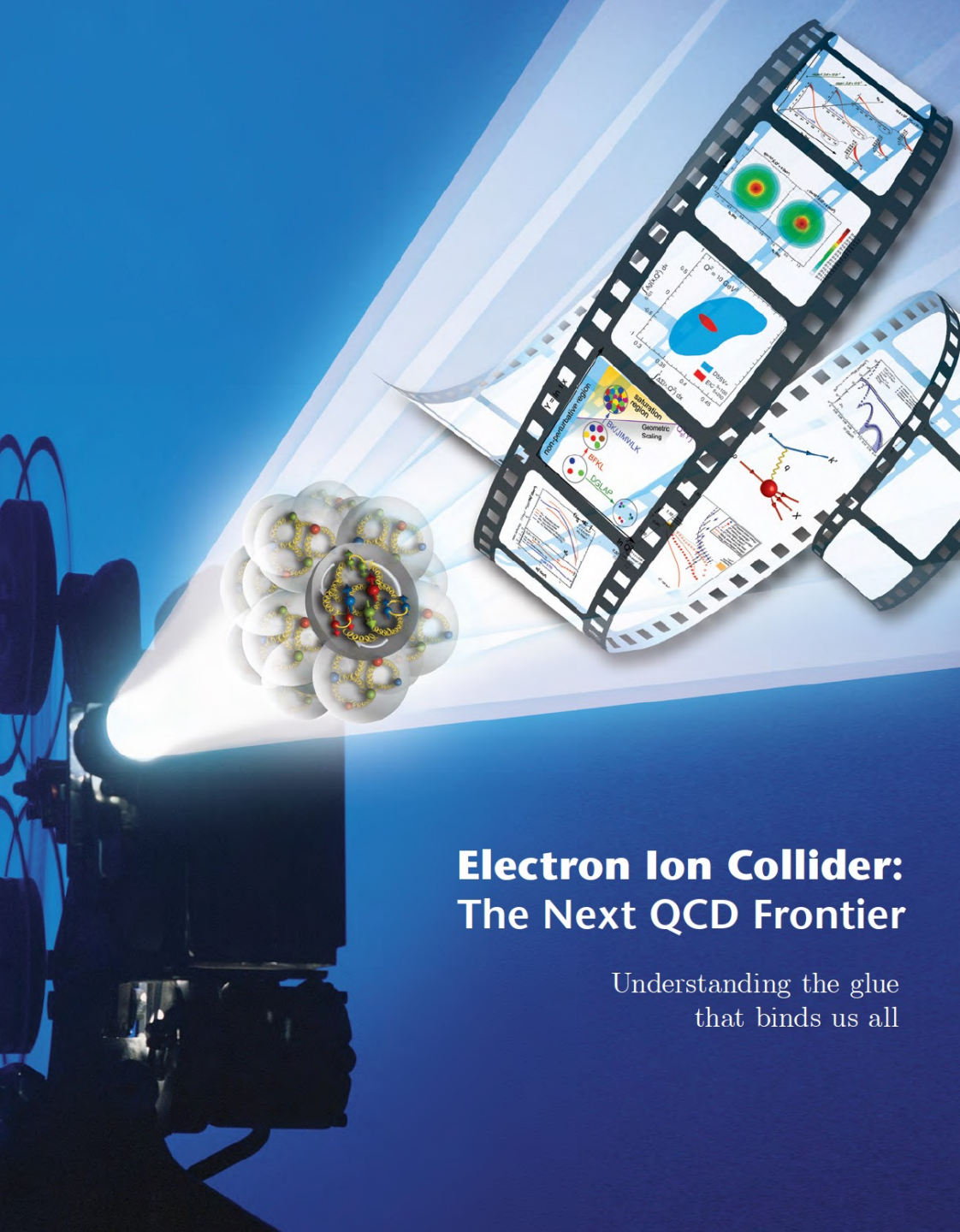
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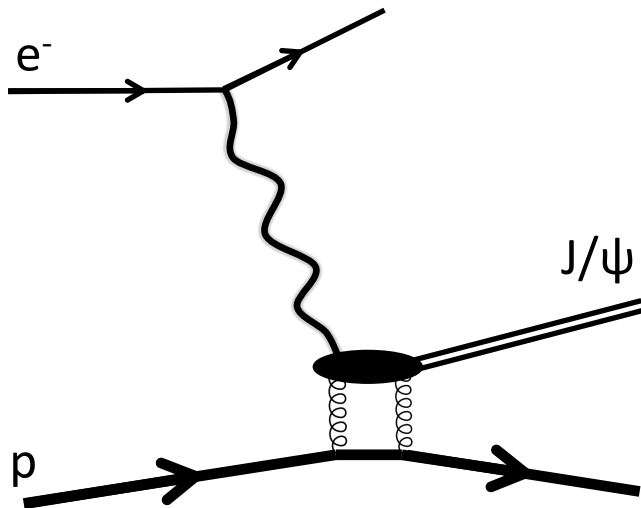
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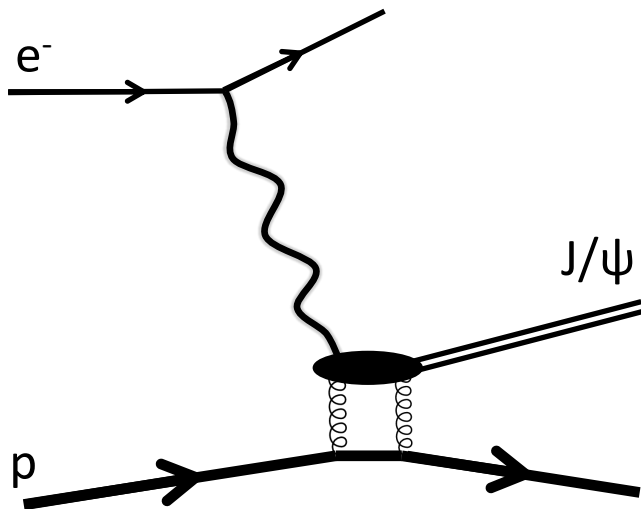
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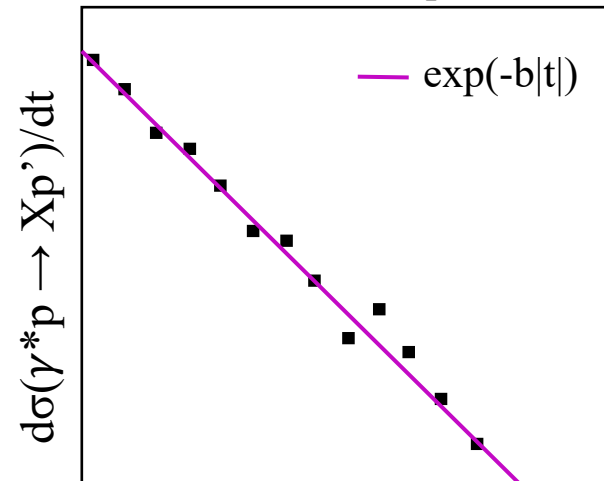
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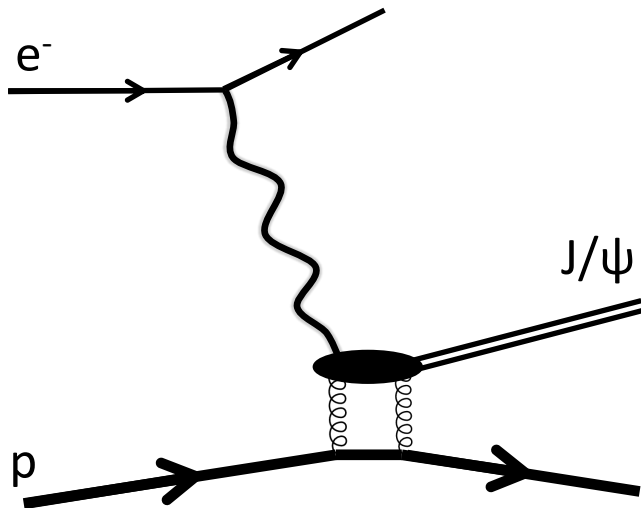
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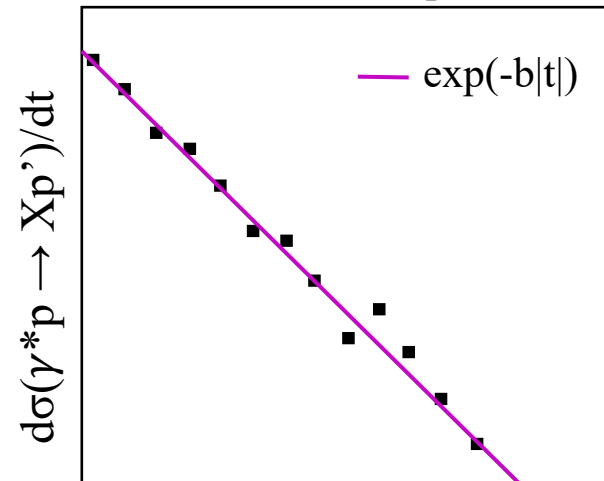
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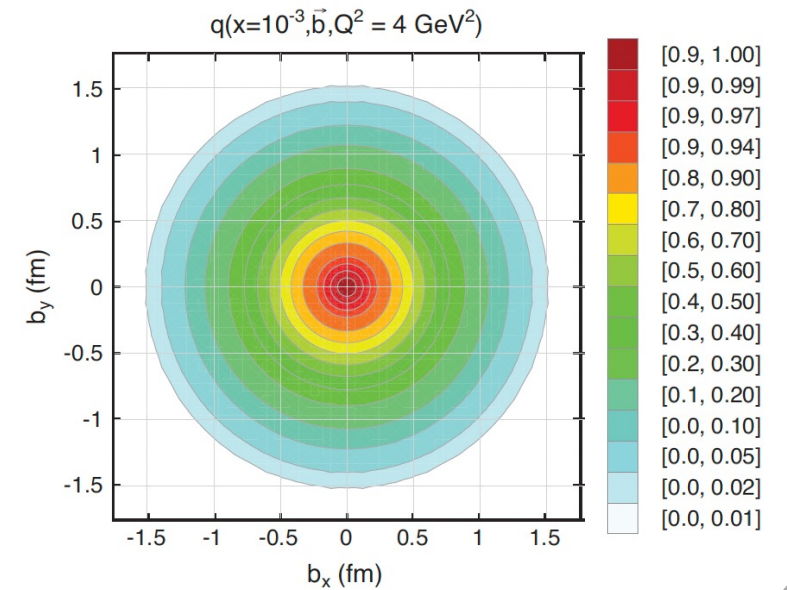
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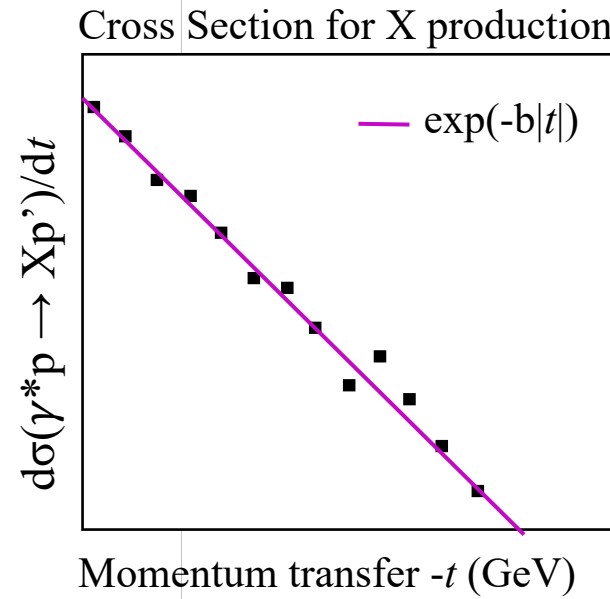


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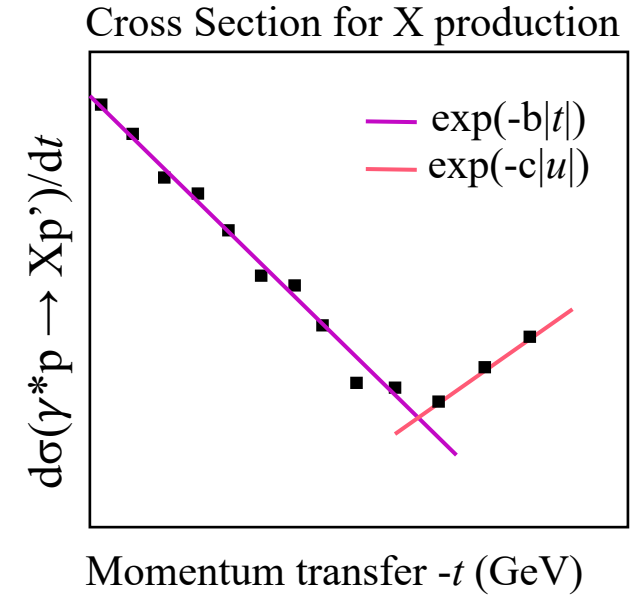
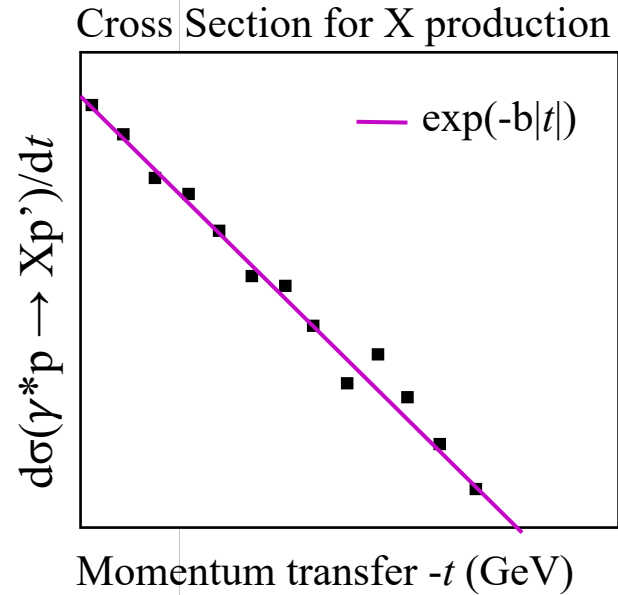
Parton density in transverse plane



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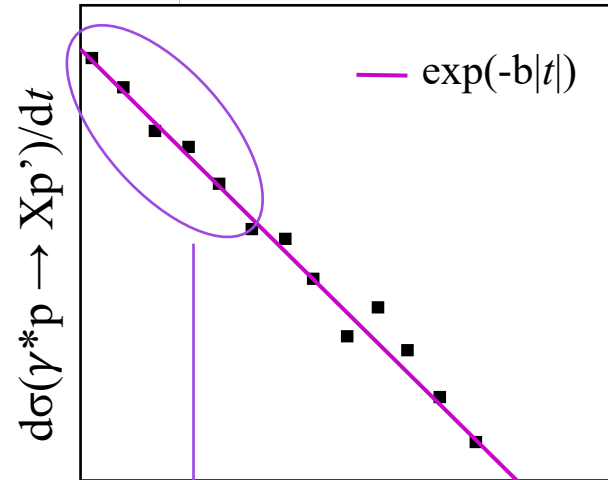


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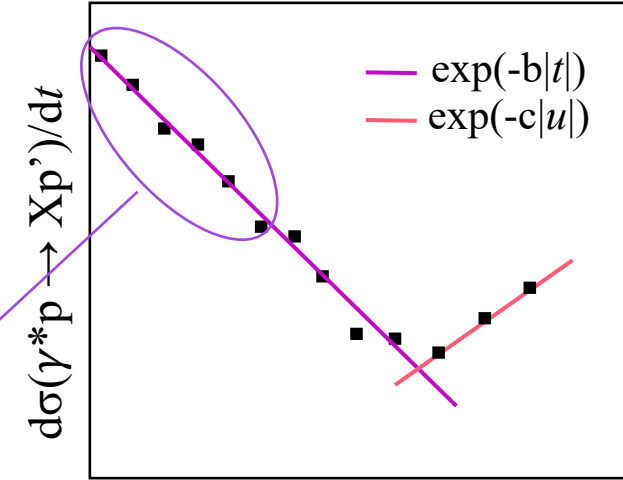
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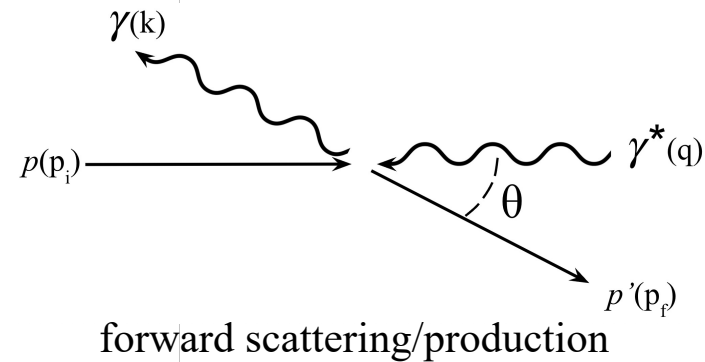


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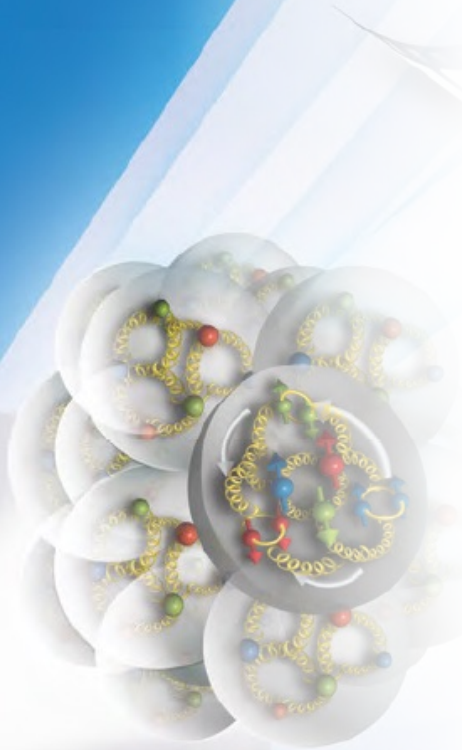
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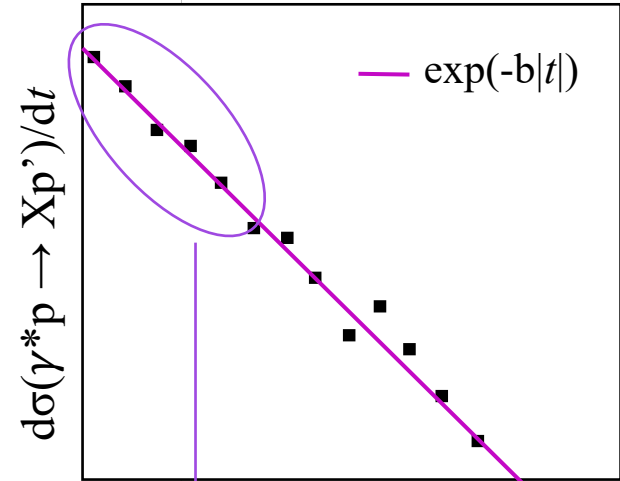
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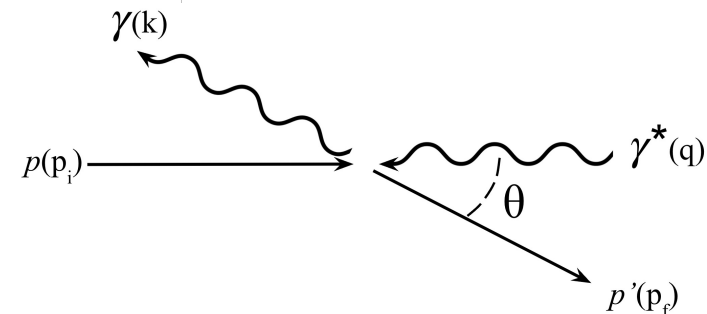
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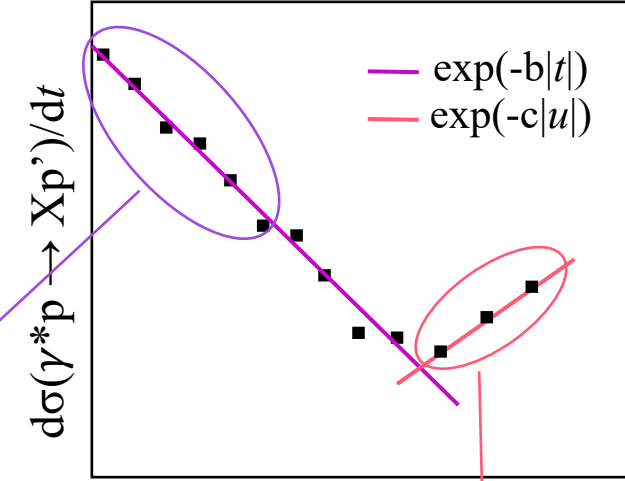


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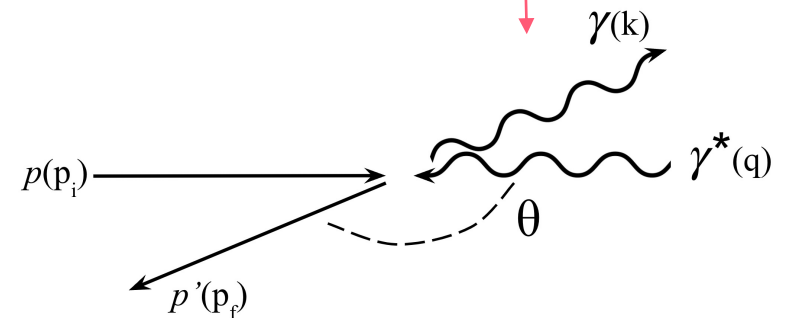


forward scattering/production

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Backward (u -channel) Theory

Backward DVCS and Proton to Photon Transition Distribution Amplitudes

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Transition distribution amplitudes and hard exclusive reactions with baryon number transfer

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Spectral representation for baryon to meson transition distribution amplitudes

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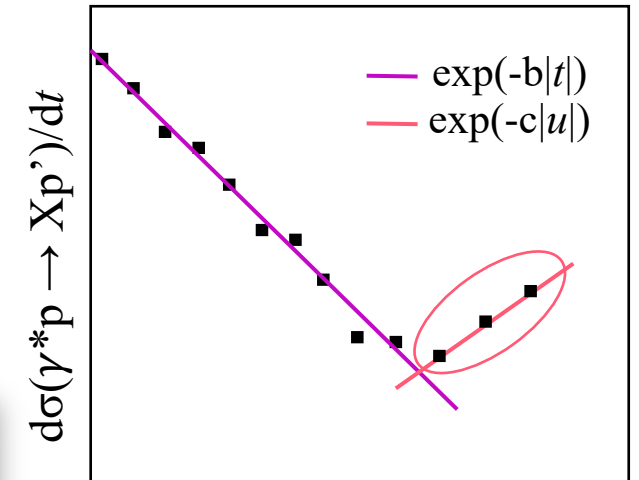
Progress and Opportunities in Backward angle (u -channel) Physics

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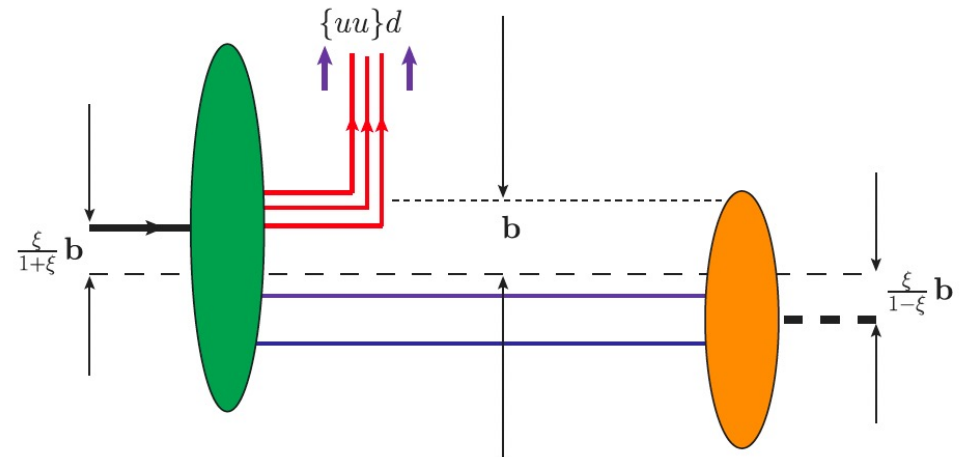


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ERBL : $x_3 = w_3 - \xi \geq 0$; $x_1 + x_2 = \xi - w_3 \geq 0$;

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- Backward cross sections (through Transition Distribution Amplitudes – TDAs) parameterize quark clusters and baryon number distributions in the transverse plane

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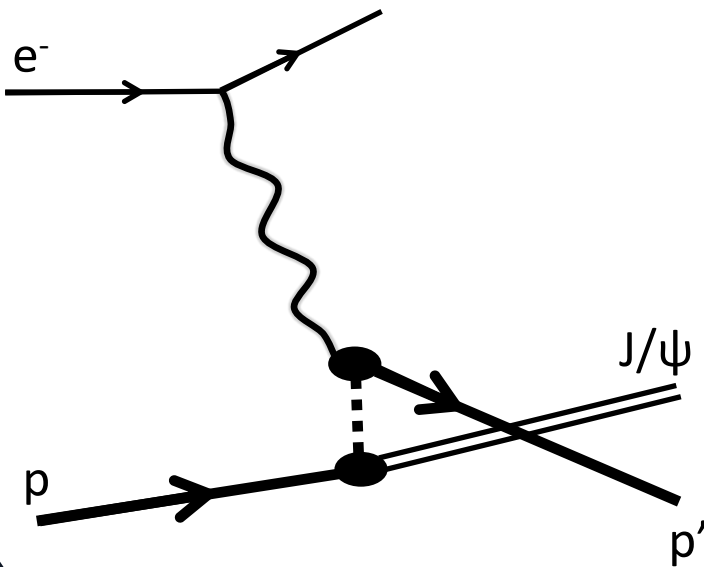
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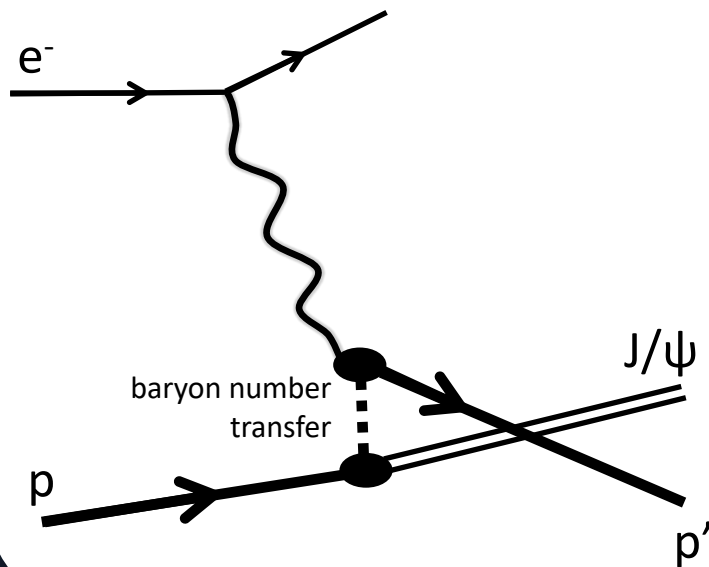
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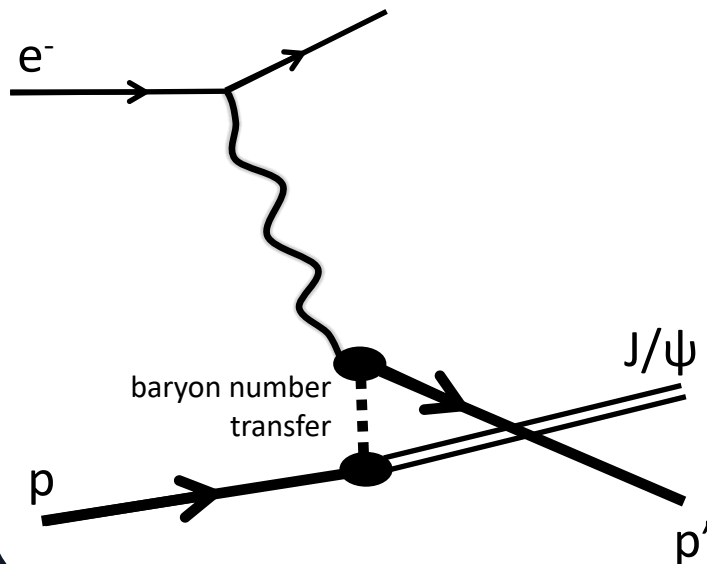
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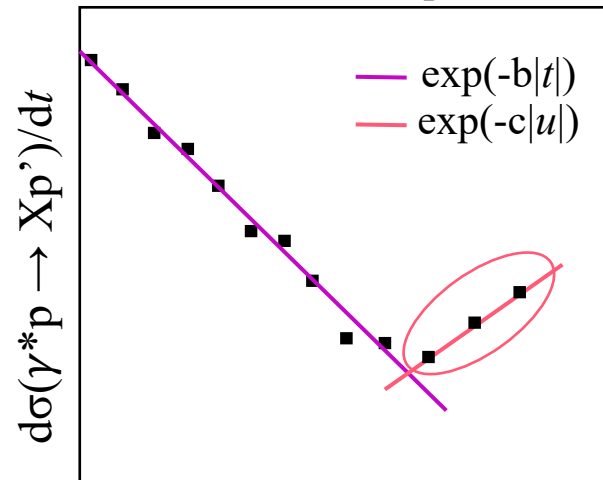
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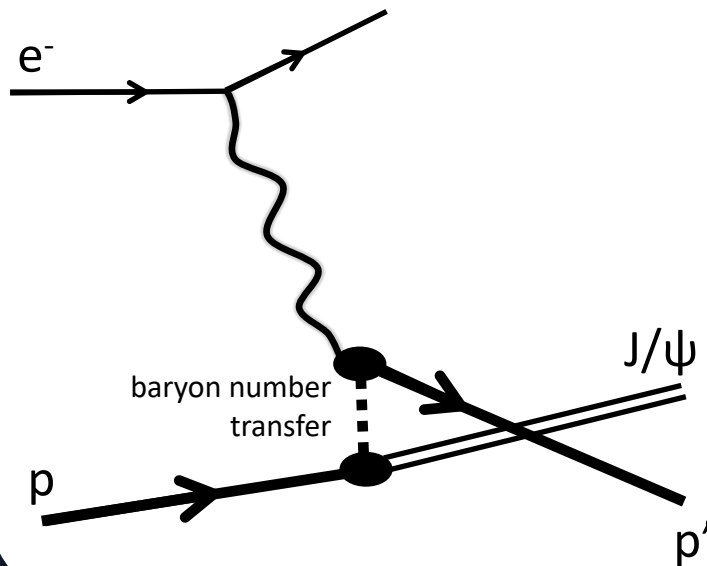


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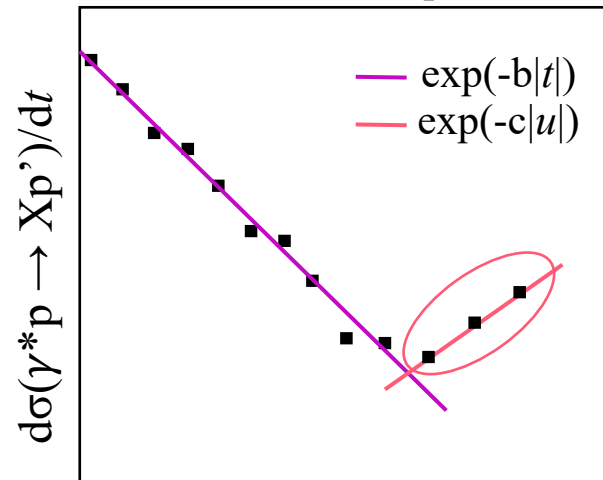
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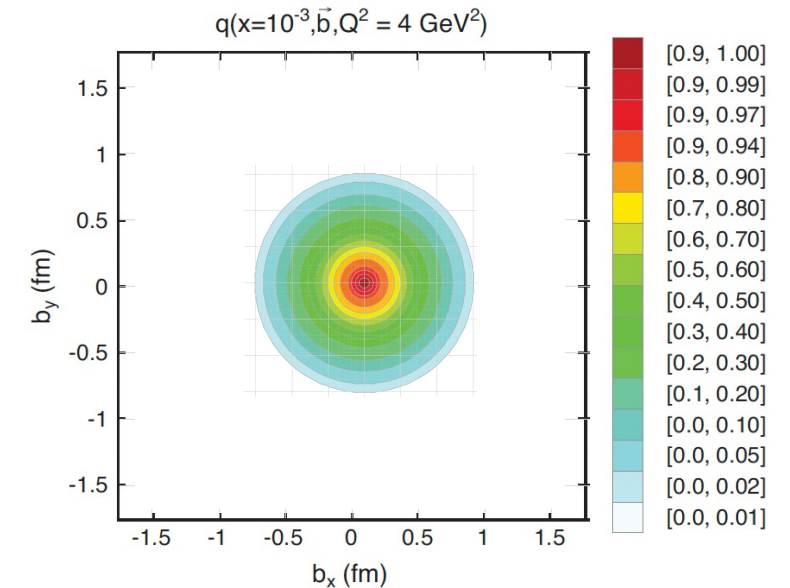
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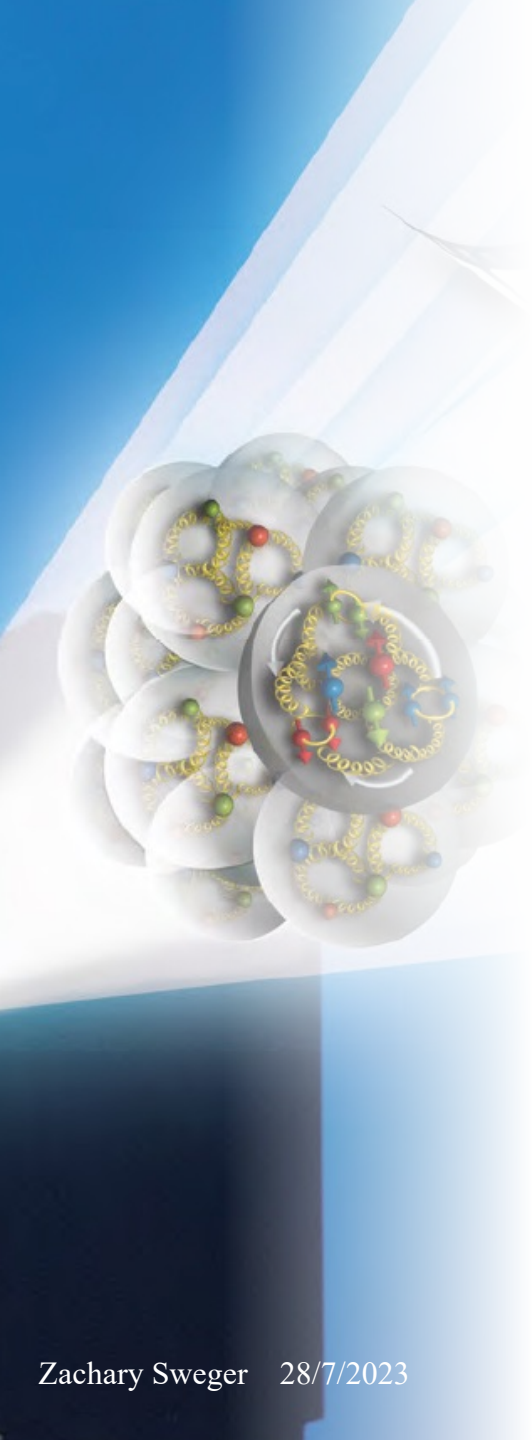


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(Partonic correlations)/
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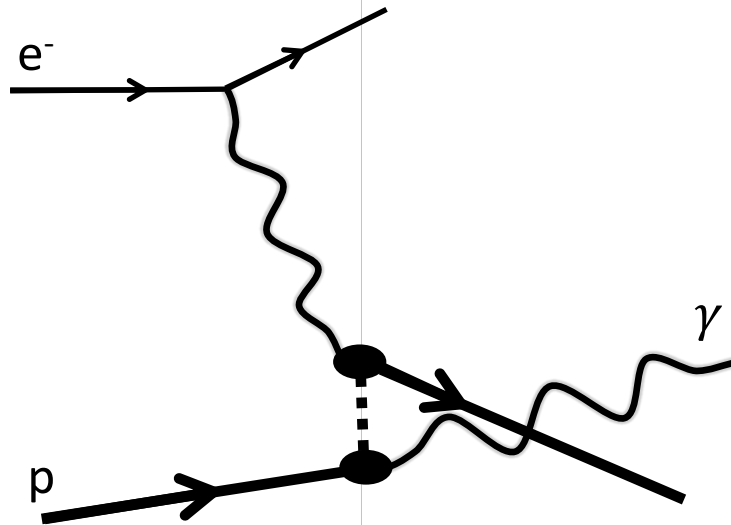


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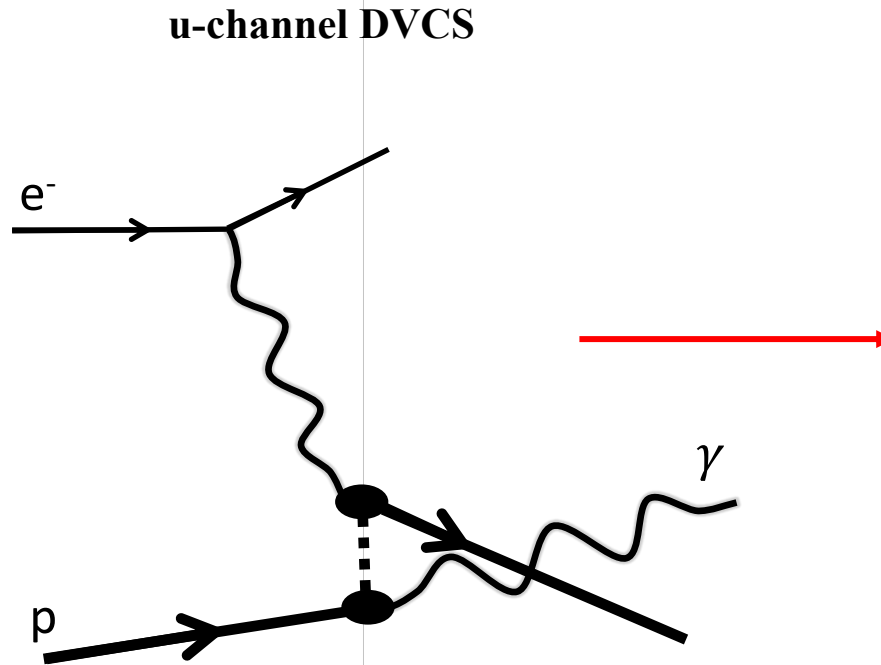
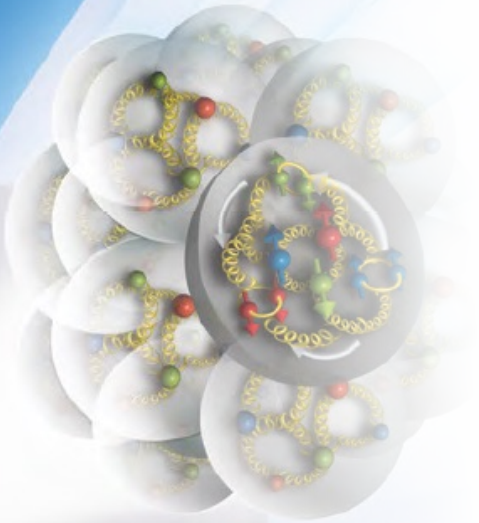


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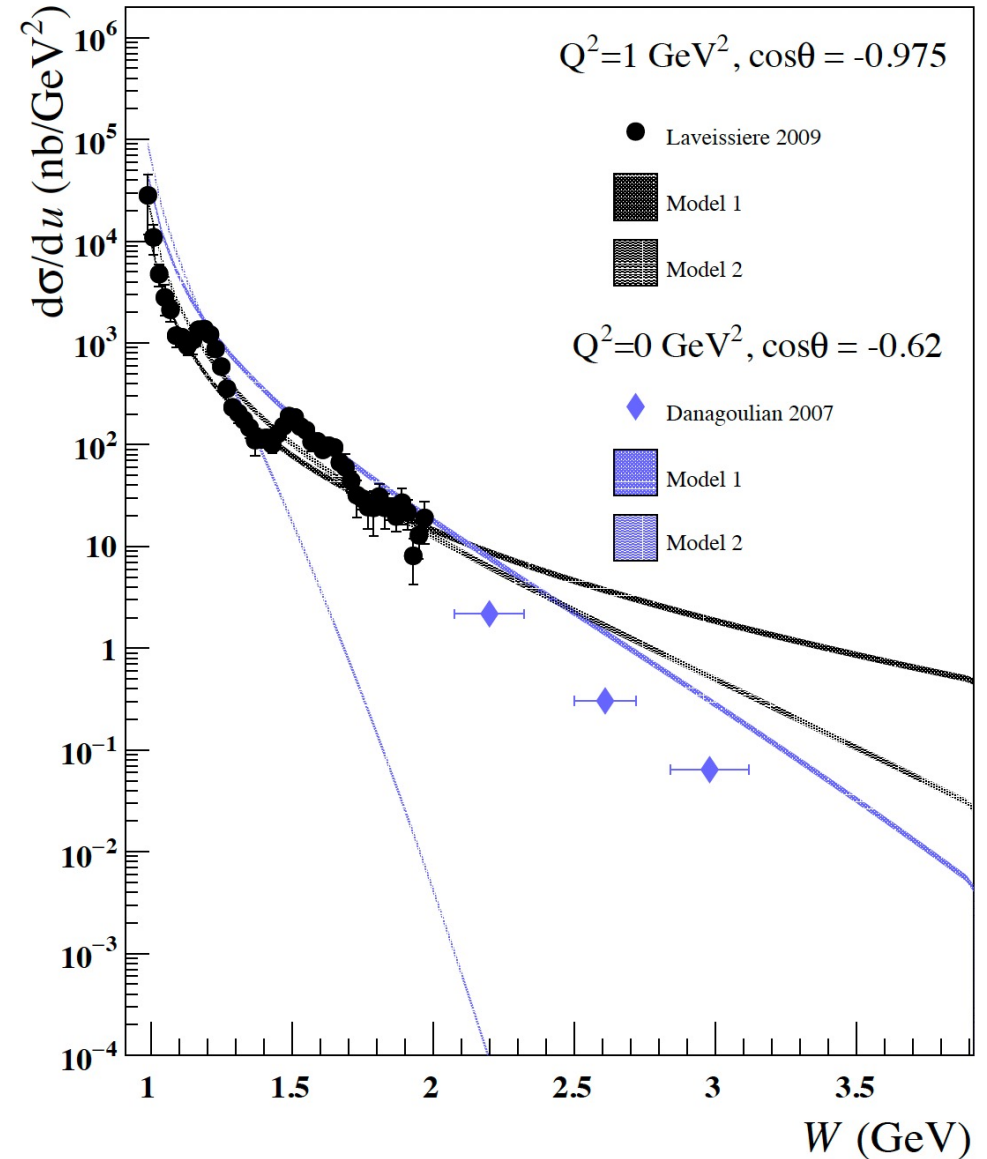
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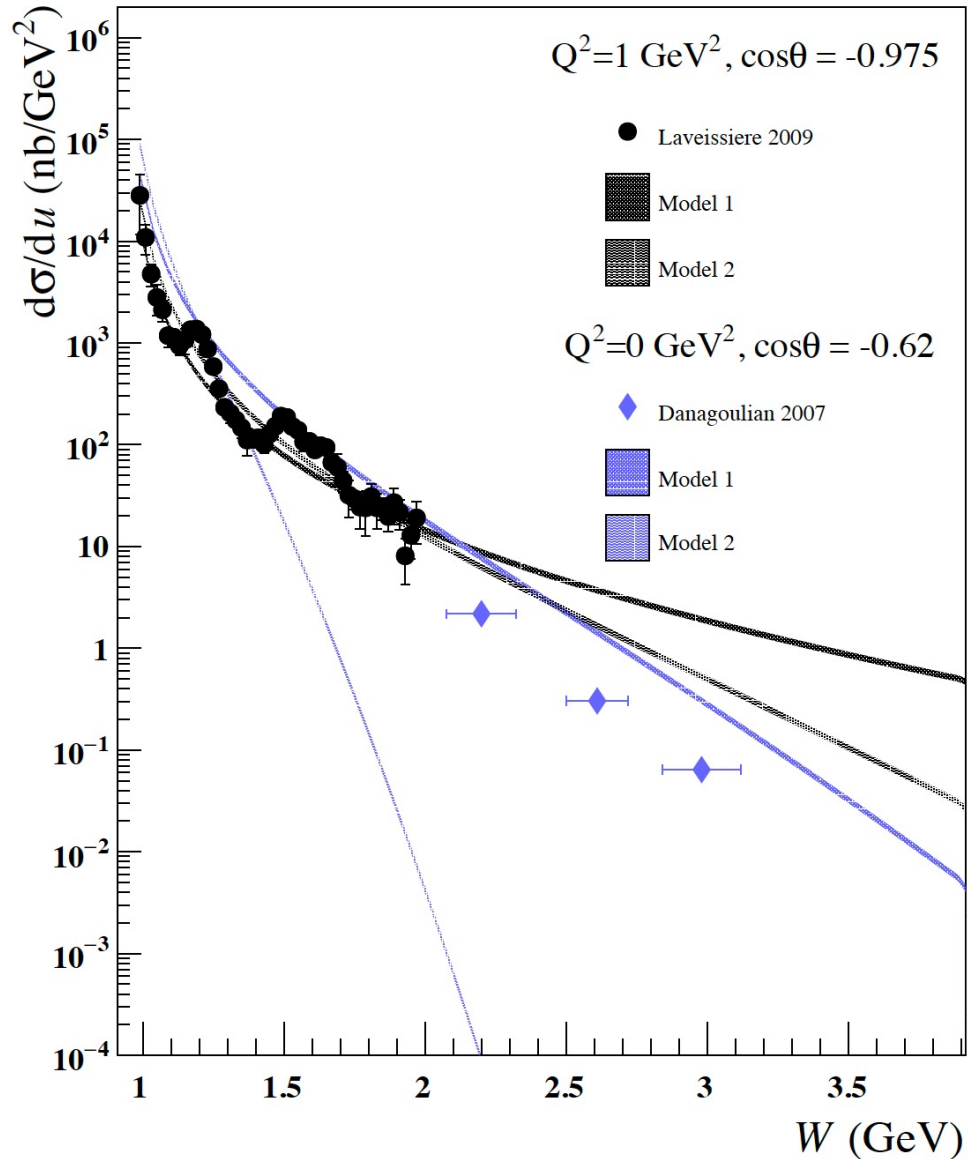


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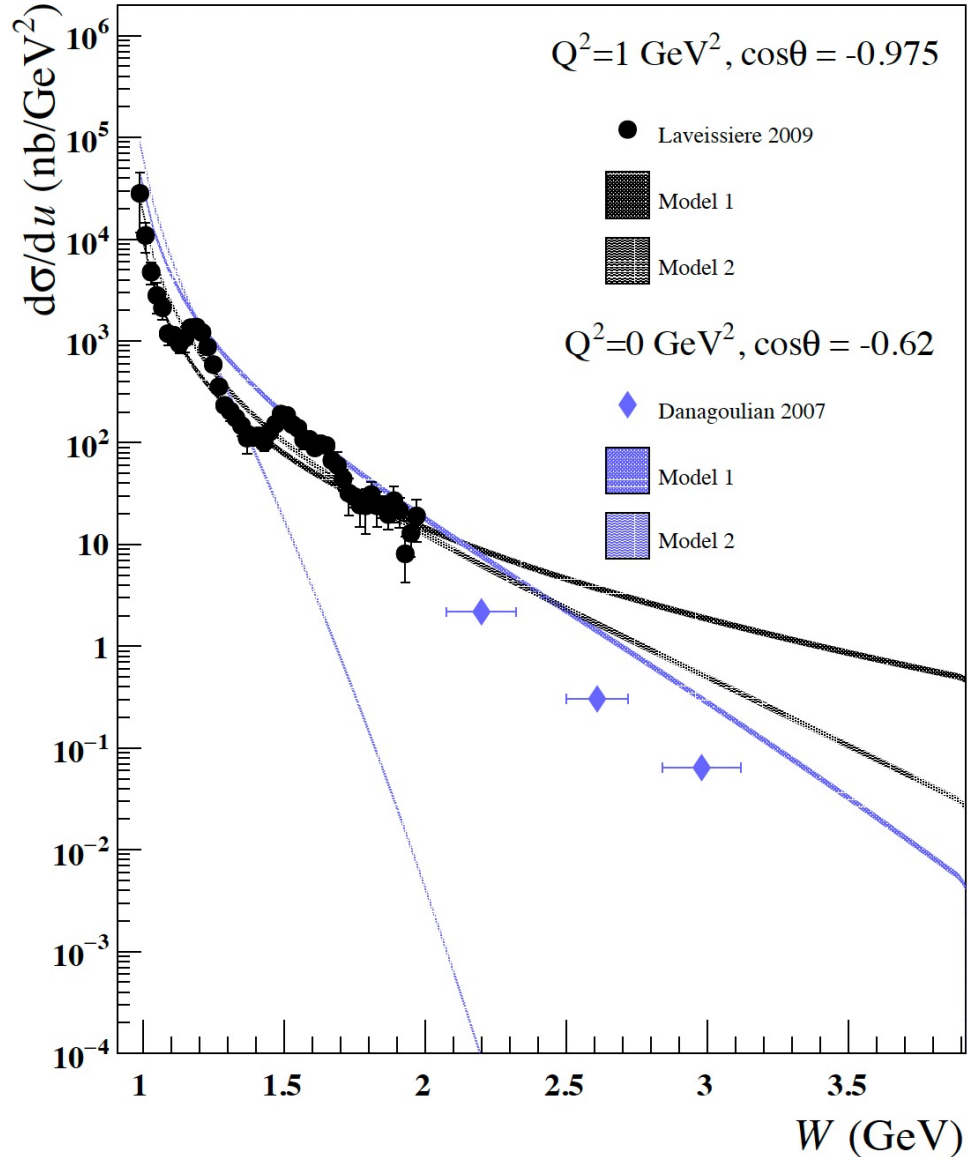
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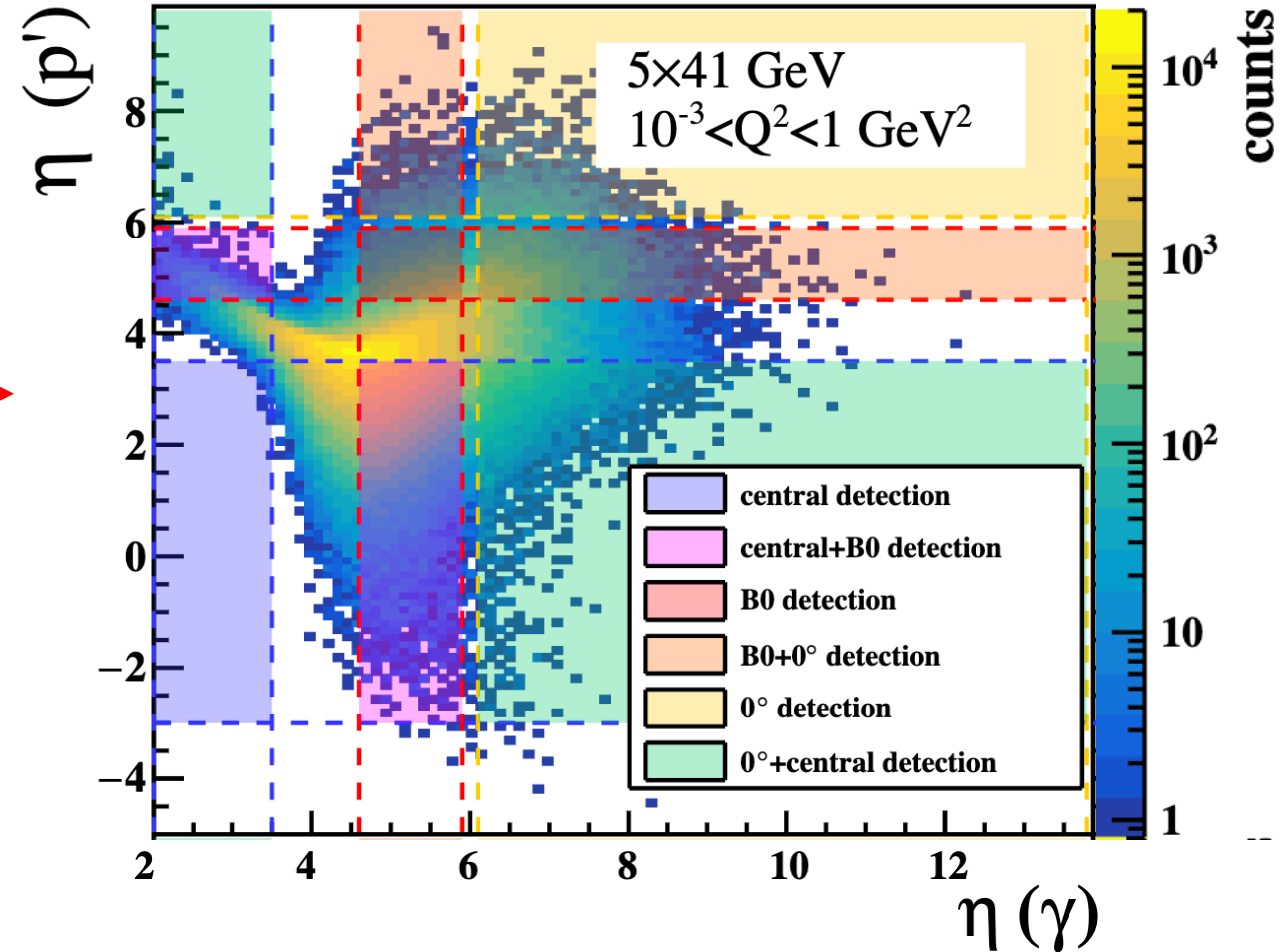


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final-state particle kinematics (DVCS)



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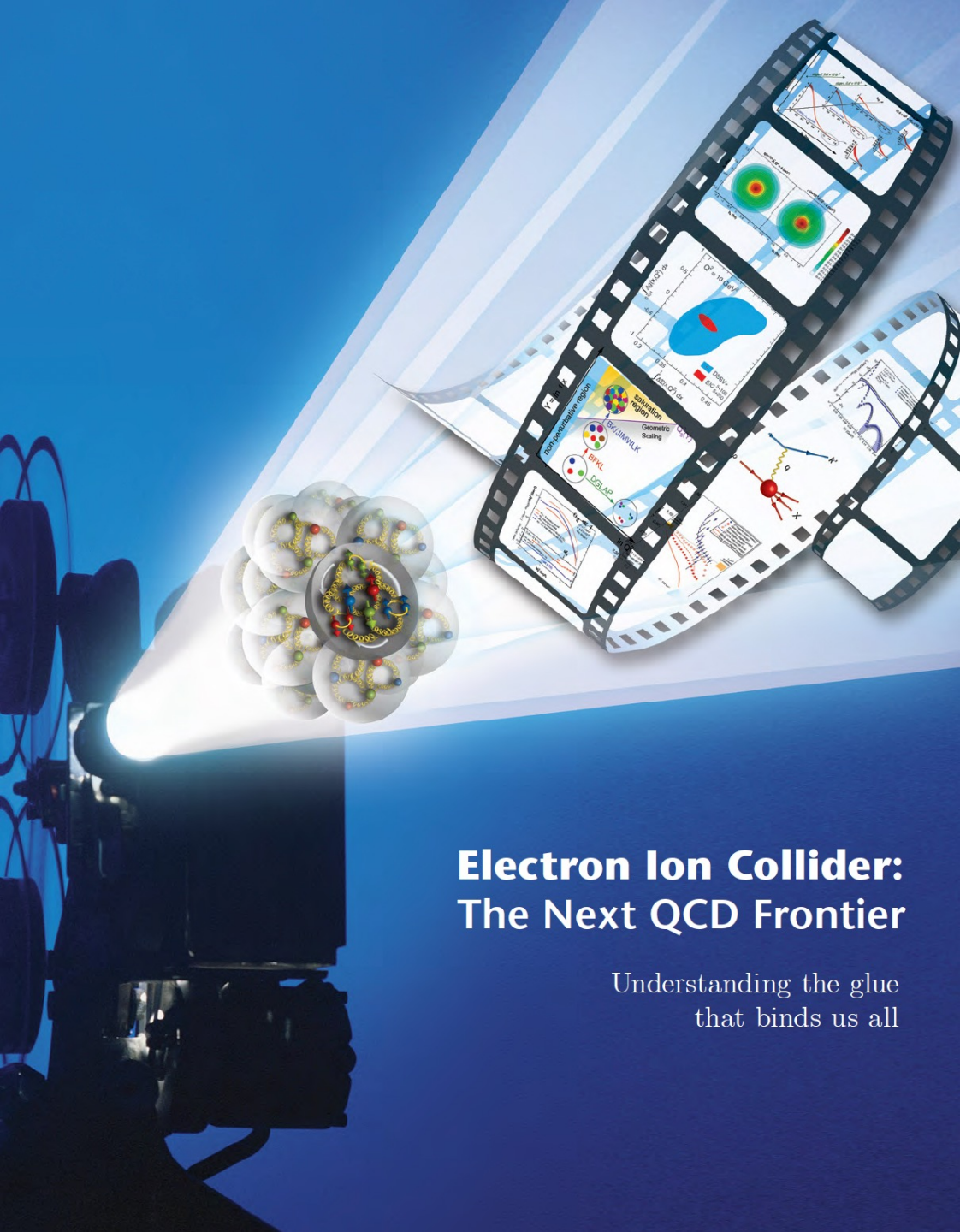
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