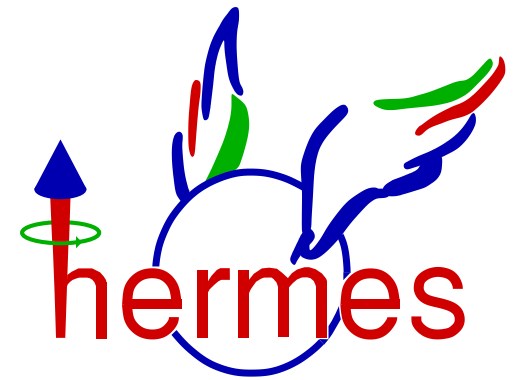


# HERMES Measurements of Hard-Exclusive Processes

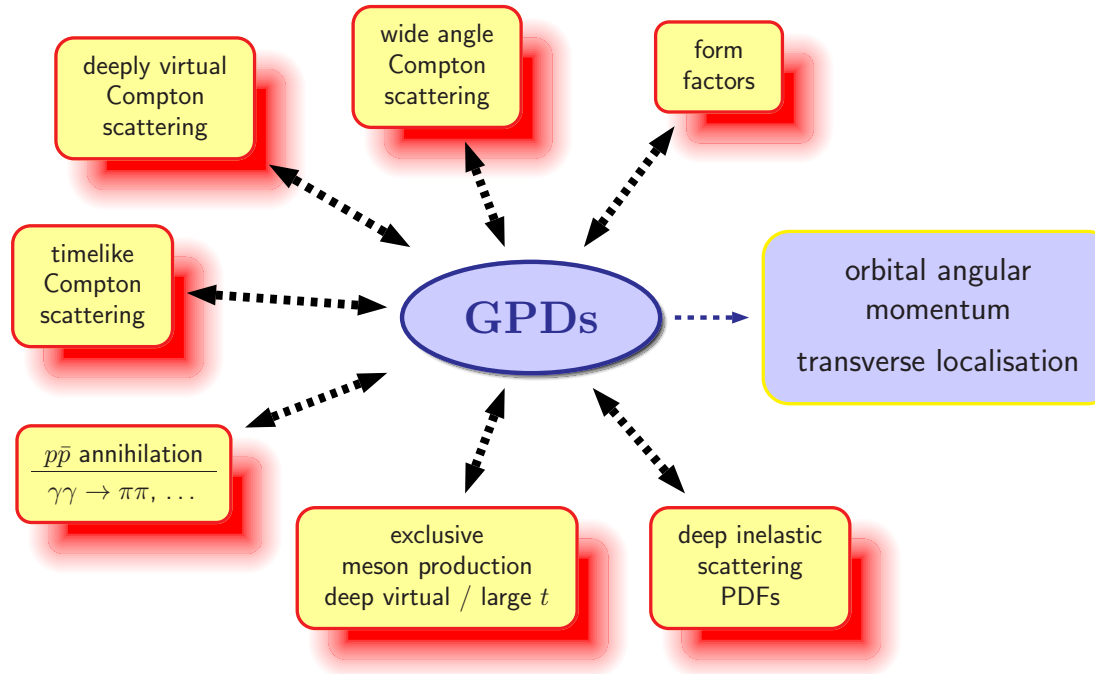
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- Objectives: Generalized Parton Distribution
- HERMES Experiment
- Exclusive  $\rho^0$  and  $\phi$  vector meson selection
  - $\rho^0$  and  $\phi$  Meson Spin Density Matrix Elements (SDMEs)
  - Transverse target-spin asymmetry in exclusive  $\rho^0$  production
- DVCS
- Summary



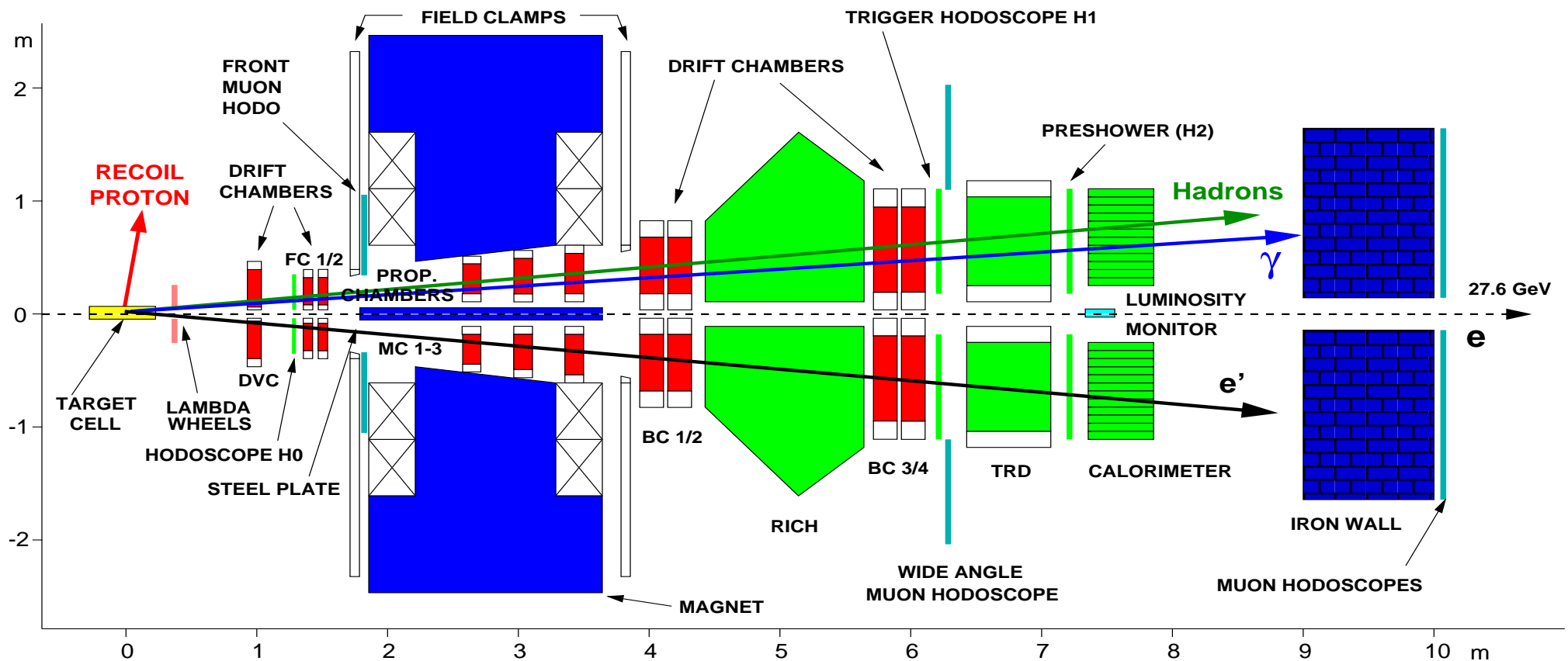
# Probing GPD experimentally



- GPDs are accessible in hard exclusive processes:
- Exclusive meson production
  - longitudinally polarized vector meson - E, H
  - pseudoscalar or the axial-vector meson -  $\tilde{E}, \tilde{H}$
- DVCS -E, H,  $\tilde{E}, \tilde{H}$
- Observables: cross sections, SDMEs, asymmetries

# HERMES Detector is Two Identical Halves of Forward Spectrometer

- Beam:  $P = 27.56 \text{ GeV}/c$ , 50...100 mA, longitudinal polarization  $\sim 55\%$ , accuracy of 2%
- Target:  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^2\text{H}$  gases, unpolarized, polarized



- Acceptance:  $40 < \Theta < 220 \text{ mrad}$ ,  $|\Theta_x| < 170 \text{ mrad}$ ,  $40 < |\Theta_y| < 140 \text{ mrad}$

- Resolution:  $\delta n/n \leq 1\%$ ,  $\delta\Theta \leq 0.6 \text{ mrad}$

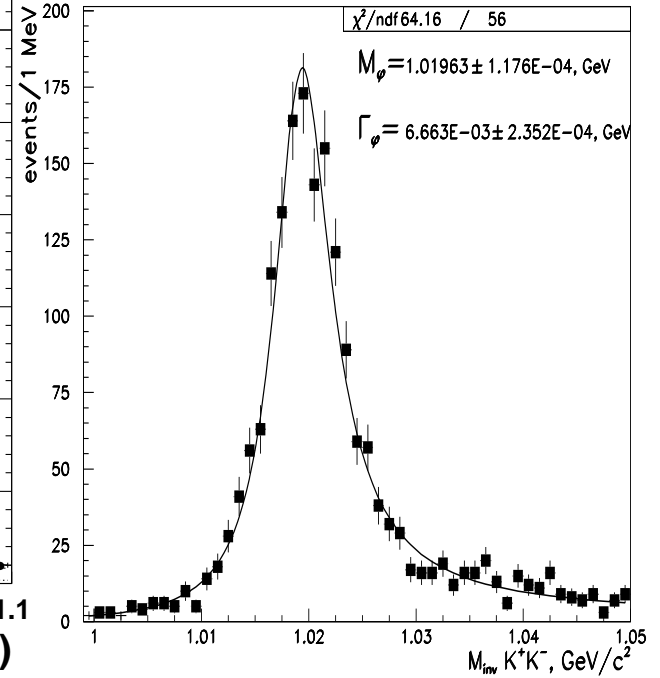
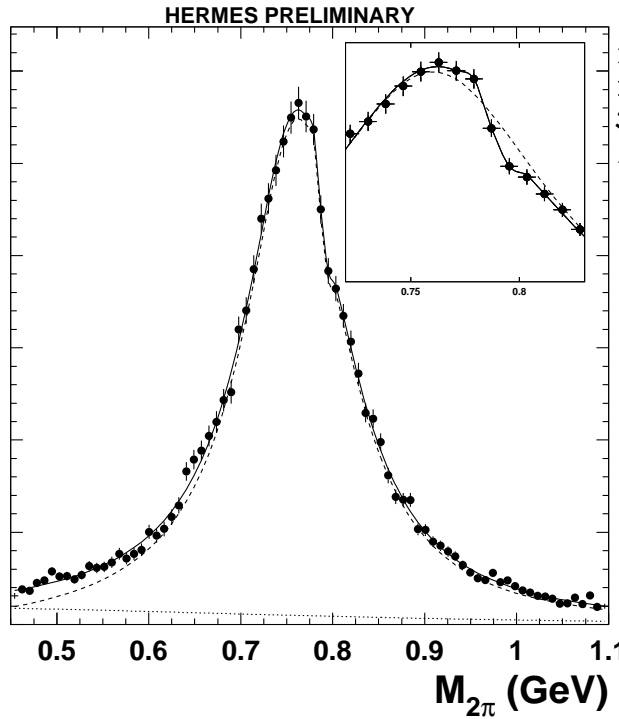
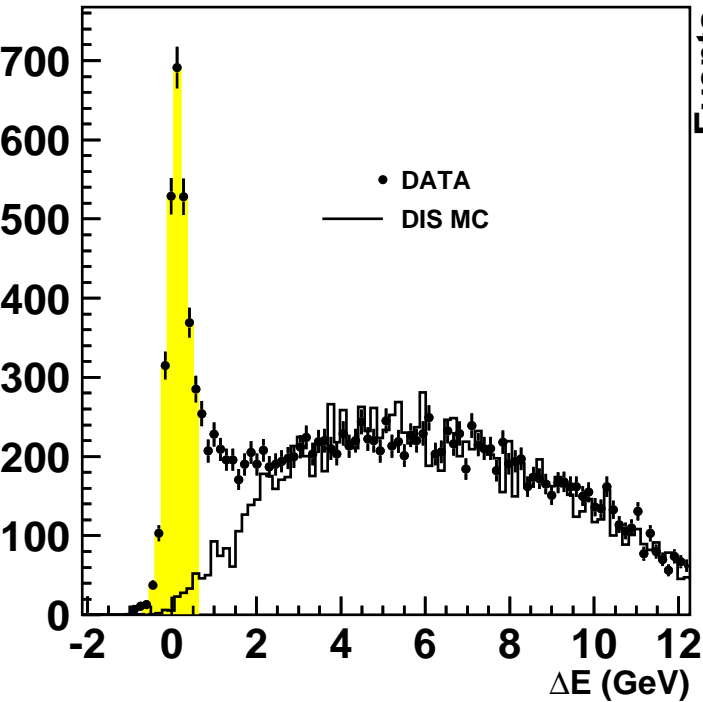
# Selection of exclusive $\rho^0$ and $\phi$ meson production

$$e + p \rightarrow e' + p' + \rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$$

$$e + p \rightarrow e' + p' + \phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$$

Clean  $\rho^0$  exclusivity peak

$$\Delta E = \frac{M_X^2 - M_p^2}{2M_p} = \nu + \frac{t}{2M_p} - E_{h,\nu} = E - E', \quad M_{inv} : \rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \quad \phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$$

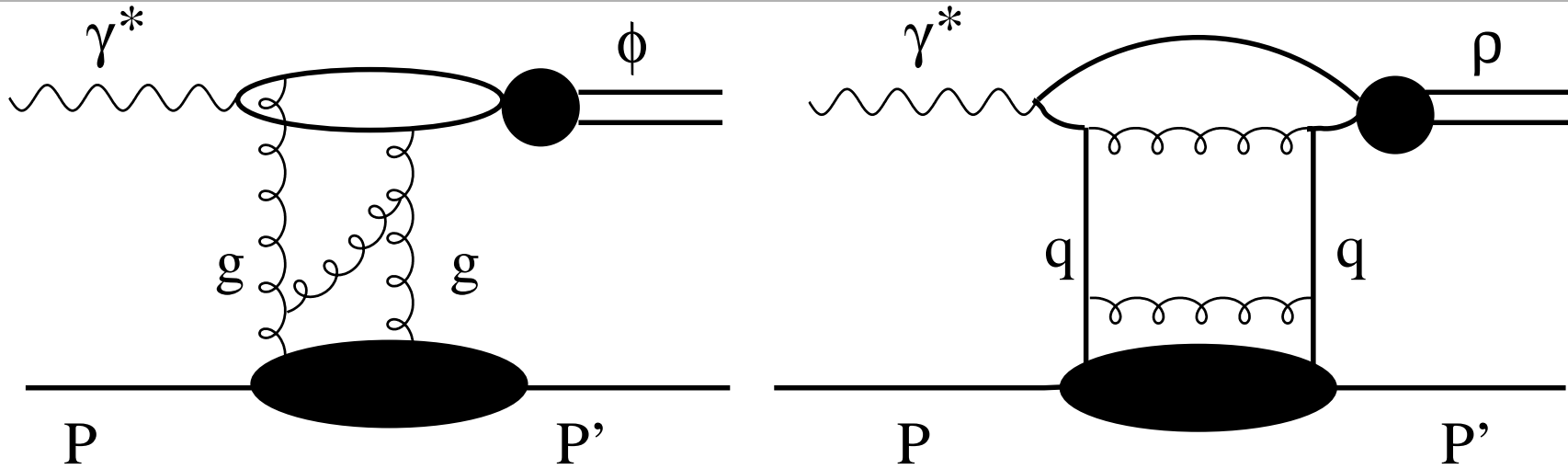


- SIDIS Background is subtracted using MC (PYTHIA)

- $\nu = 5 \div 24$  GeV,  $\langle \nu \rangle = 13.3$  GeV,  $Q^2 = 1.0 \div 5.0$  GeV<sup>2</sup>,  $\langle Q^2 \rangle = 2.3$  GeV<sup>2</sup>

- $W = 3.0 \div 6.5$  GeV,  $\langle W \rangle = 4.9$  GeV,  $x_{Bj} = 0.01 \div 0.35$ ,  $\langle x_{Bj} \rangle = 0.07$

## Comparison of Exclusive $\rho^0$ and $\phi$ Meson Production



### Properties of $\rho^0$ and $\phi$ meson data:

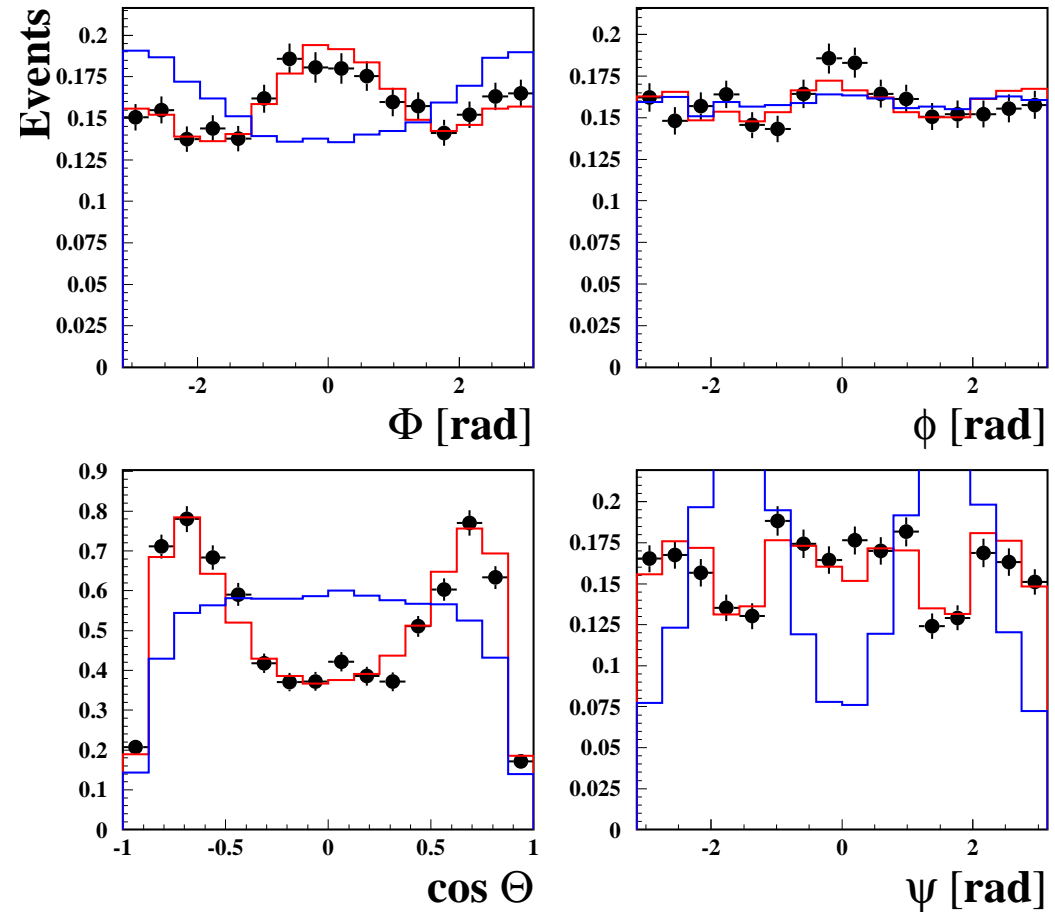
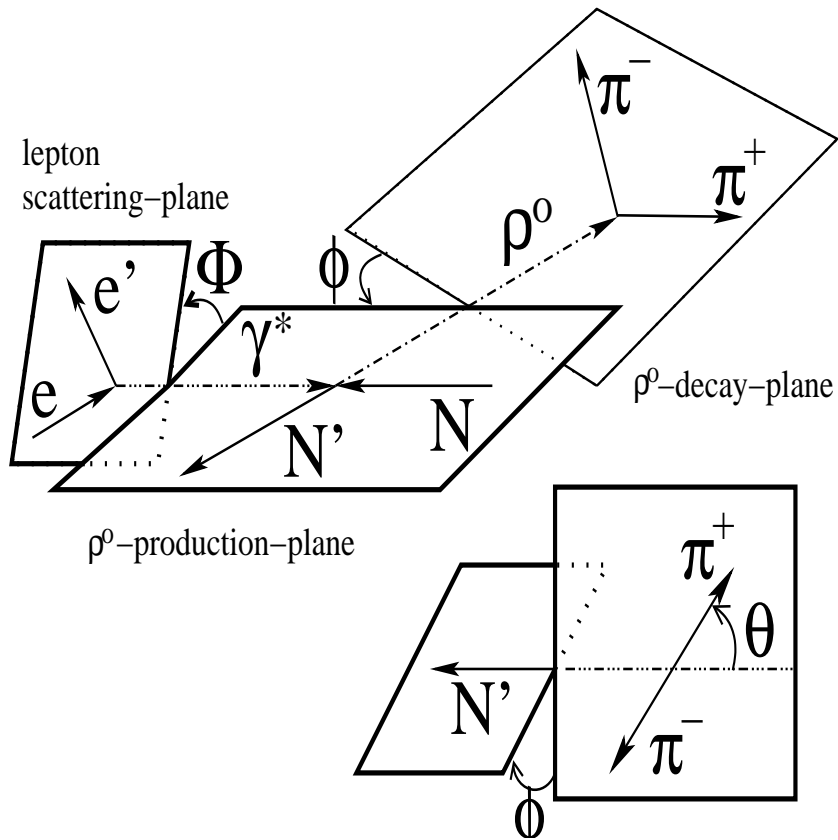
- different pQCD production mechanisms:
  - only two-gluon exchange for  $\phi$ ,
  - both two-gluon and quark exchanges for  $\rho^0$

$\implies$  GPDs as a flavor filter
- quark exchange mediated by
  - vector or scalar meson:  $\rho^0, \omega, a_2$   
(natural parity:  $J^P = 0^+, 1^-$ )  
 $\implies$  unpolarized GPDs:  $H, E$
  - pseudoscalar or axial meson:  $\pi, a_1, b_1$   
(unnatural parity  $J^P = 0^-, 1^+$ )  
 $\implies$  polarized GPDs:  $\tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$

### Experimental observables:

- Spin Density Matrix Elements (SDMEs):  
 $r_{\lambda\rho\lambda'\rho'}^\alpha \sim \rho(V) = \frac{1}{2}T\rho(\gamma)T^+$   
 Vector meson spin-density matrix  $\rho(V)$  in terms of the photon matrix  $\rho(\gamma)$  and helicity amplitude  $T_{\lambda_V\lambda_\gamma}$
- SCHC: helicity of  $\gamma^* =$  helicity of  $\rho^0$ , any violation?
- Determination of the contribution of the Natural (NPE,  $P = (-1)^J$ ) and Unnatural (UPE,  $P = -(-1)^J$ ) Parity Helicity Amplitudes

# Fit of Angular Distributions Using Max. Likelihood Method in MINUIT

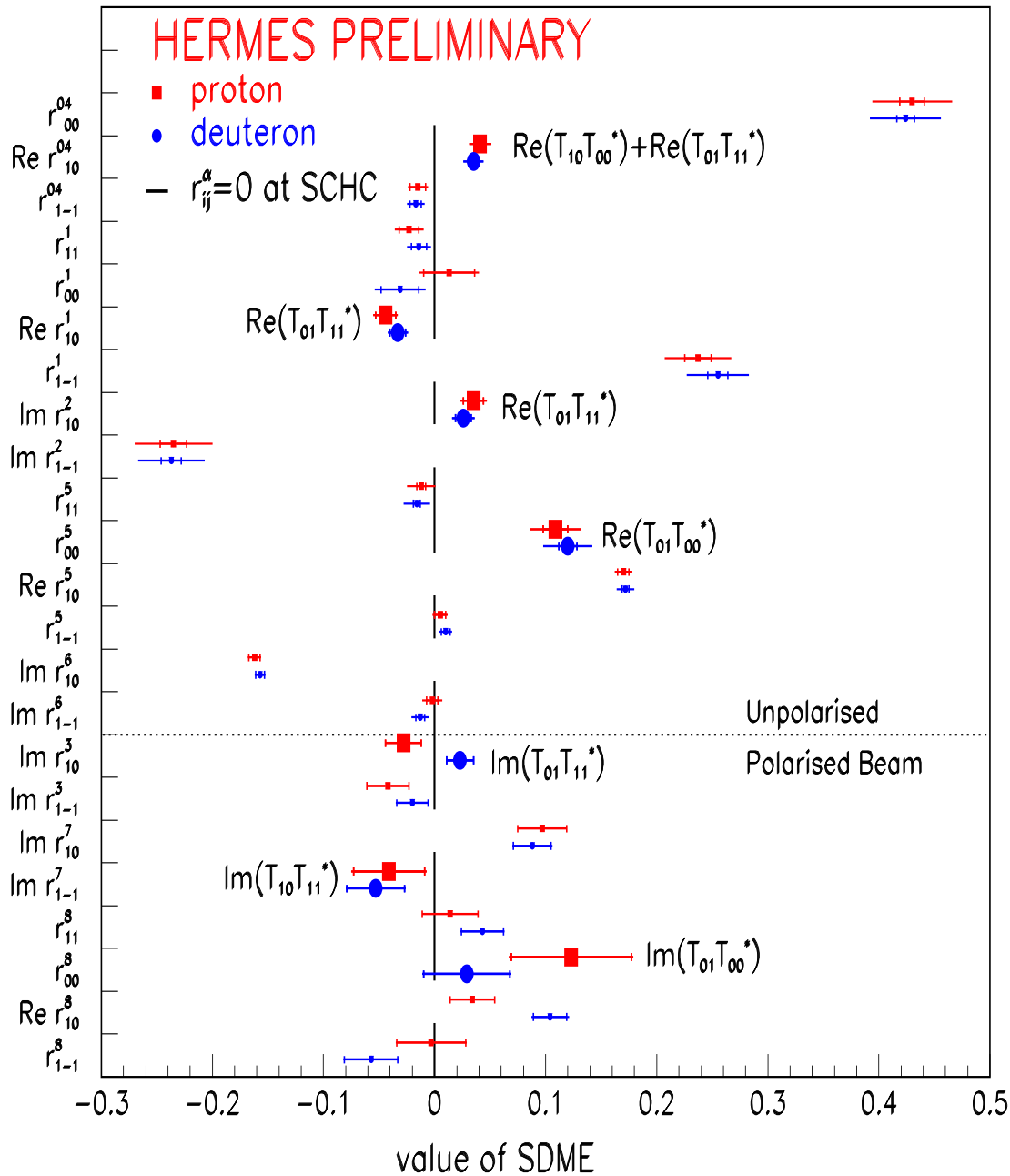


- Simulated Events: matrix of fully reconstructed MC events at initial uniform angular distribution
- Binned Maximum Likelihood Method:  $8 \times 8 \times 8$  bins of  $\cos(\Theta)$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\Phi$ . Simultaneous fit of theoretical angular distribution  $W(r_{ij}^\alpha, \Phi, \phi, \cos \Theta)$  to data with negative and positive beam helicity ( $\langle P_b \rangle = 53.5\%$ )

**$\implies$  Full agreement of fitted angular distributions with data**

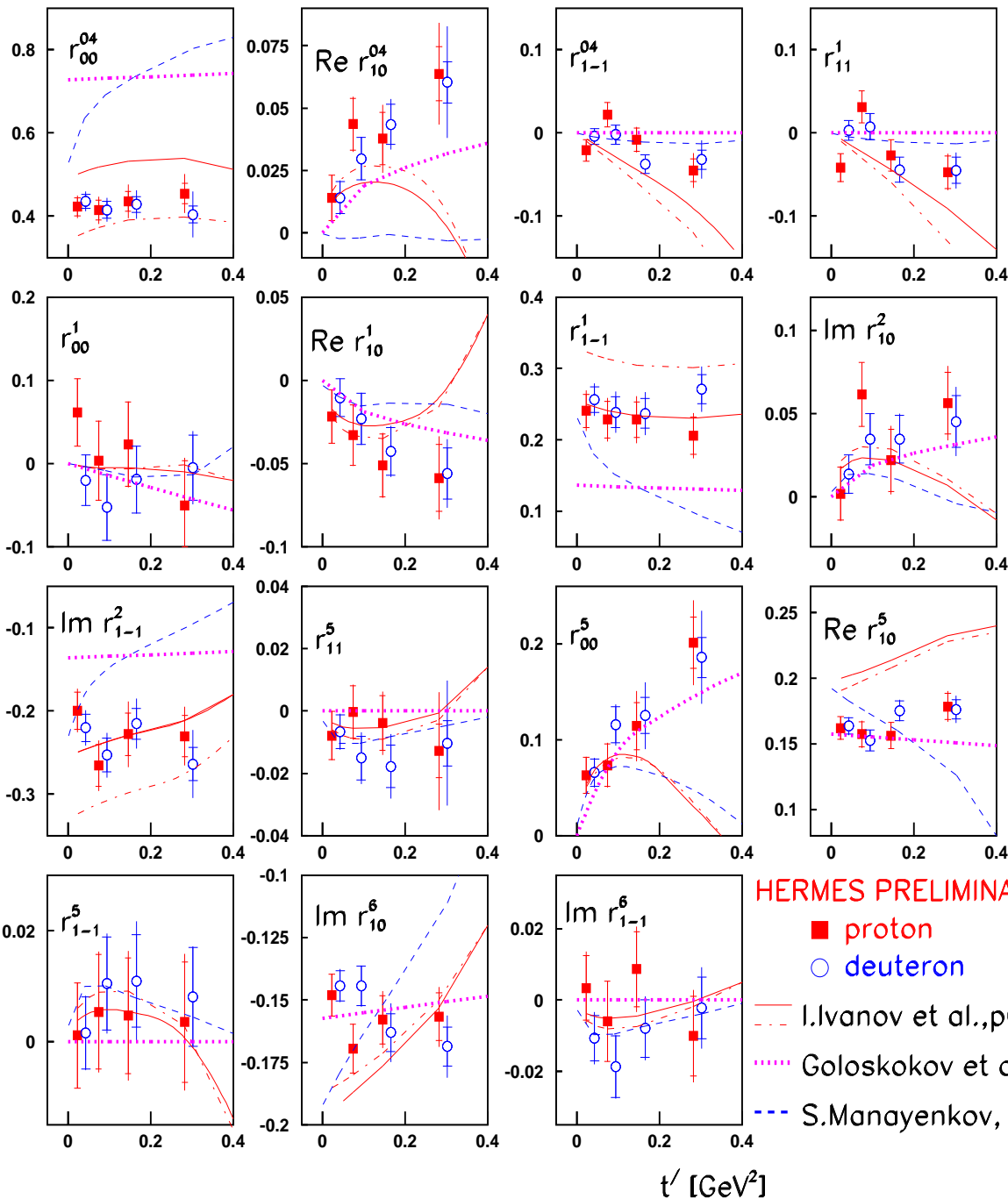
# 23 Spin Density Matrix Elements $r_{\lambda\rho\lambda'\rho'}^\alpha$ from $\gamma^* + N \rightarrow \rho^0 + N'$

at  $0 < t' < 0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$  and  $1 < Q^2 < 5 \text{ GeV}^2$



- SDMEs:  $r_{\lambda\rho\lambda'\rho'}^\alpha \sim \rho(V) = \frac{1}{2}T\rho(\gamma)T^+$  in terms of the photon matrix  $\rho(\gamma)$  and helicity amplitude  $T_{\lambda_V\lambda_\gamma}$ 
  - $\implies$  Beam-polarization dependent SDMEs, for the first time
- SCHC?
  - $\implies$  enlarged SDMEs violating SCHC ( $2 \div 5 \sigma$ ), indicating non-zero spin-flip amplitudes:  $T_{01}, T_{10}, T_{1-1}$
- $q\bar{q}$ -exchange with isospin 1 can be observed in case of difference between proton and deuteron data
  - $\implies$  No significant difference between proton and deuteron

# $t'$ -Dependence of $\rho^0$ SDMEs Compared with Calculations



- GK model calculations done for  $Q^2 > 3.0 \text{ GeV}^2$  for two-gluon exchange only (S.V.Goloskokov and P.Kroll, Eur.Phys.J. C 42 (2005) 281)

- Reasonable agreement for a majority of SDMEs (12 elements) at low  $t'$ :  
 $\text{Re } r_{10}^{04}, r_{00}^5 \dots$

- The most crucial disagreement with data for GK model:  $r_{00}^{04}, r_{1-1}^1, \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^2\}$  connected with  $\sigma_L/\sigma_T$  ratio

- No model describes well all unpolarized SDMEs.

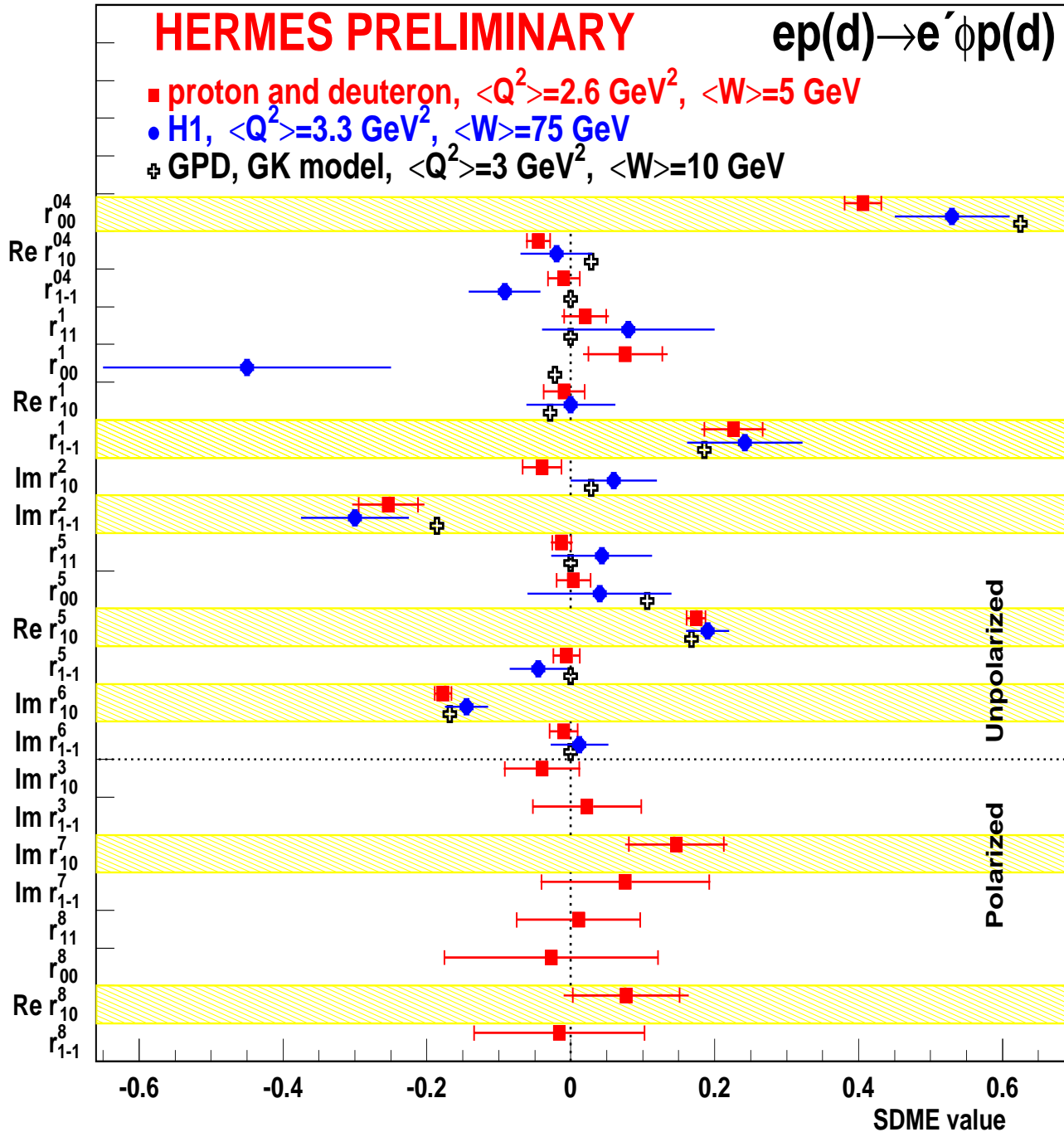
HERMES PRELIMINARY

- proton
- deuteron
- I.Ivanov et al., pQCD
- ⋯ Goloskokov et al., GPD
- - - S.Manayenkov, Regge

- Incorporation of quark-exchange into GK model is under development



# $\phi$ Meson SDMEs Compared with Calculations and High Energy Data



- Note: GK model calculations done for  $Q^2 = 3.0 \text{ GeV}^2$  and two-gluon exchange

⇒ Reasonable agreement for a majority of SDMEs

- Disagreement with data for GK Model:

-  $r_{00}^{04} \rightarrow \sigma_L / \sigma_T$  ratio

-  $r_{00}^{55} \rightarrow$  SCHC in data, but not in the model

⇒ Further development of GK model

# SDMEs According to Hierarchy of Amplitudes without & with Helicity Flip: $\rho^0$ , $\phi$

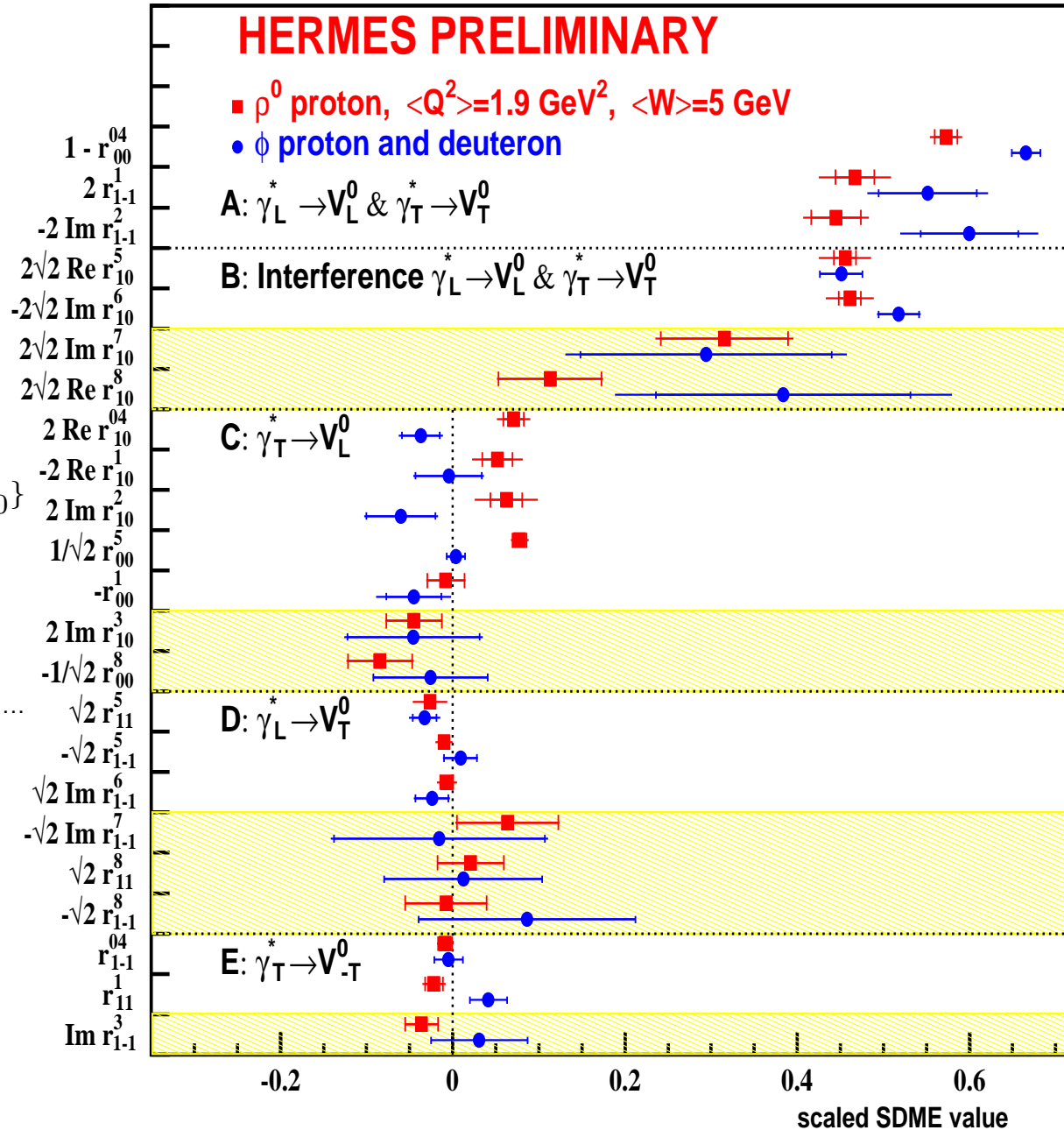
- A,  $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_L^0$  and  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_T^0$   
 $|T_{11}|^2 \propto 1 - r_{00}^{04} \propto r_{1-1}^1 \propto -Im\{r_{1-1}^2\}$

- B, Interference:  $\gamma_L^*, \rho_T^0$   
 $Re\{T_{00}T_{11}^*\} \propto Re\{r_{10}^5\} \propto -Im\{r_{10}^6\}$   
 $Im\{T_{11}T_{00}^*\} \propto Im\{r_{10}^7\} \propto Re\{r_{10}^8\}$

- C, Spin Flip:  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_L^0$   
 $Re\{T_{11}T_{01}^*\} \propto Re\{r_{10}^{04}\} \propto Re\{r_{10}^1\} \propto Im\{r_{10}^2\}$   
 $Re\{T_{01}T_{00}^*\} \propto r_{00}^5$   
 $|T_{01}|^2 \propto r_{00}^1$   
 $Im\{T_{01}T_{11}^*\} \propto Im\{r_{10}^3\}$   
 $Im\{T_{01}T_{00}^*\} \propto r_{00}^8$

- D, Spin Flip:  $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_T^0$   
 $Re\{T_{10}T_{11}^*\} \propto r_{11}^5 \propto r_{1-1}^5 \propto Im\{r_{1-1}^6\}$   
 $Im\{T_{10}T_{11}^*\} \propto Im\{r_{1-1}^7\} \propto r_{11}^8 \propto r_{1-1}^8$

- E, Spin Flip:  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_{-T}^0$   
 $Re\{T_{1-1}T_{11}^*\} \propto r_{1-1}^{04} \propto r_{11}^1$   
 $Im\{T_{1-1}T_{11}^*\} \propto Im\{r_{1-1}^3\}$

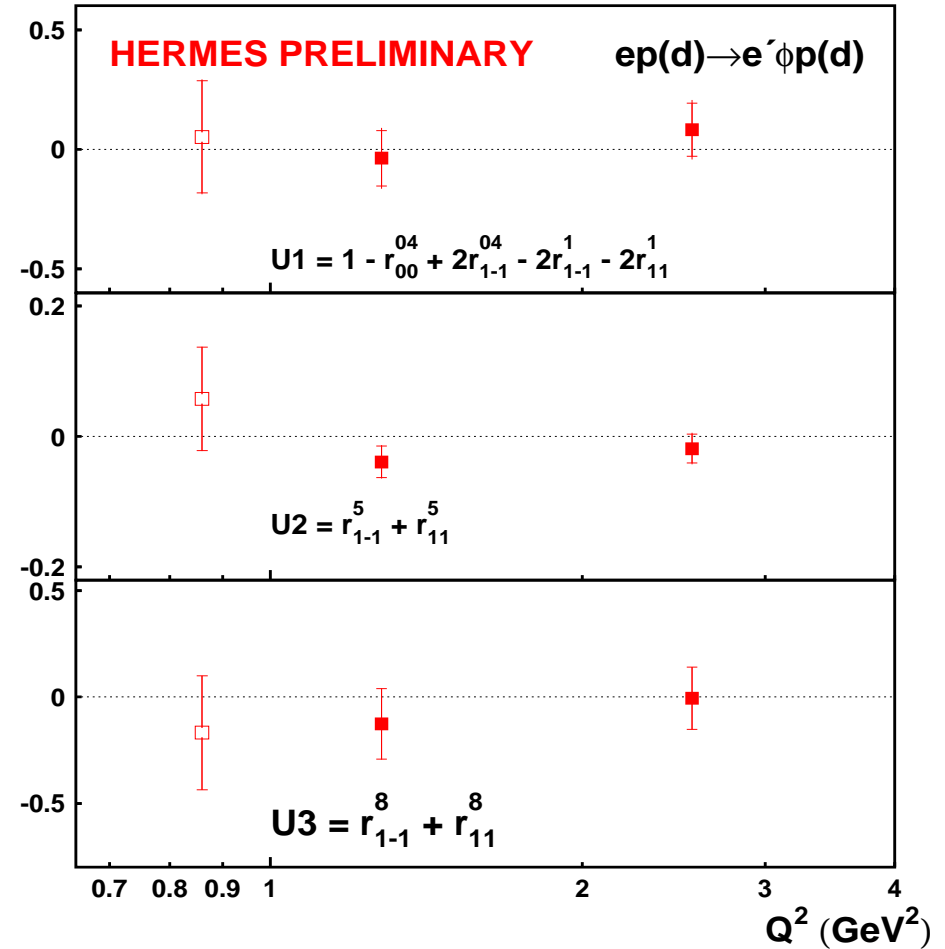
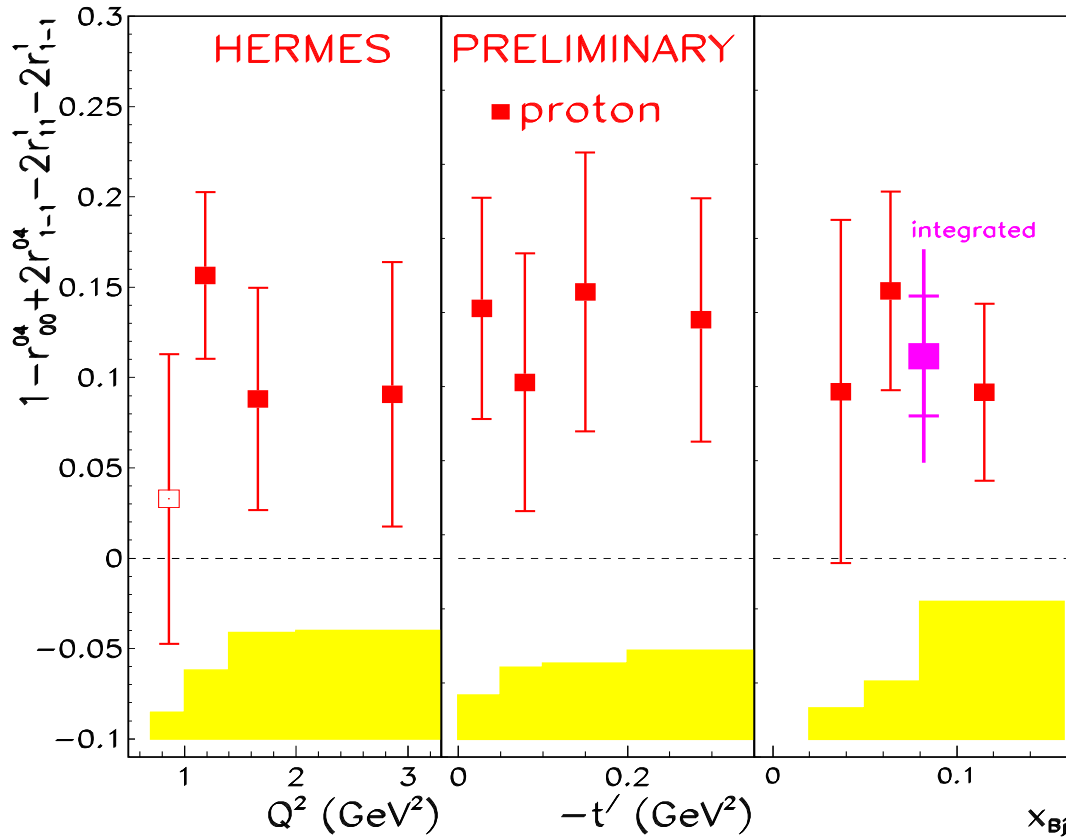


⇒ **Hierarchy of  $\rho^0$  amplitudes:**  $|T_{00}| \sim |T_{11}| \gg |T_{01}| > |T_{10}| \gtrsim |T_{1-1}|$ ,

⇒  $\phi$  meson SDMEs are consistent with SCHC,  $|T_{00}| \sim |T_{11}|$

# Observation of Unnatural-parity-exchange (UPE) in $\rho^0$ Leptoproduction

- Natural-parity exchange: interaction is mediated by a particle of 'natural' parity: vector or scalar meson:  $J^P = 0^+, 1^-$  e.g.  $\rho^0, \omega, a_2$
- Unnatural parity exchange is mediated by pseudoscalar or axial meson:  $J^P = 0^-, 1^+$ , e.g.  $\pi, a_1, b_1$
- UPE amplitudes correspond to the contributions of polarized GPDs:  $\tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$



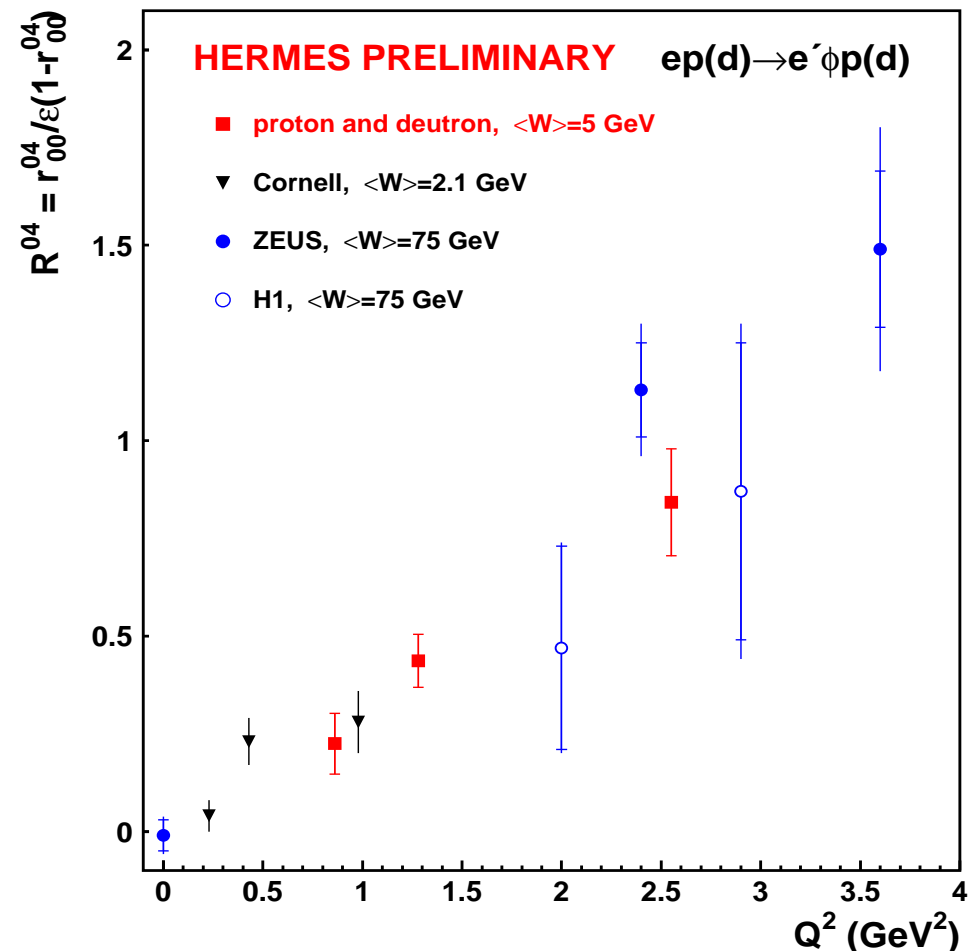
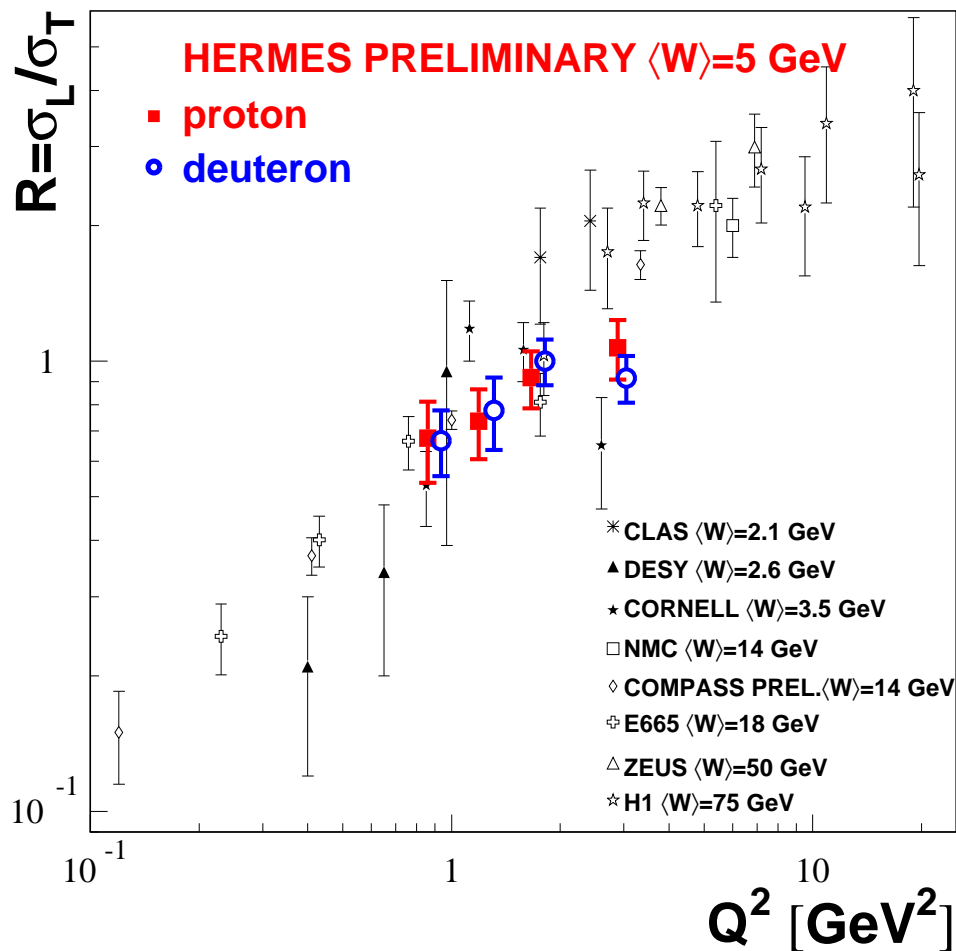
$\Rightarrow$  no UPE for  $\phi$  meson production

p:  $U1 = 2|U_{11}|^2 = 0.132 \pm 0.026_{st} \pm 0.053_{syst}$   
 d:  $U1 = 0.094 \pm 0.020_{st} \pm 0.044_{syst}$   
 $U2 \propto |U_{10}|^2 = 0, U3 \propto |U_{01}|^2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  Indication on hierarchy of  $\rho^0$  UPE amplitudes:  $|U_{11}| \gg |U_{10}| \sim |U_{01}|$

# $\rho^0$ and $\phi$ Longitudinal-to-Transverse Cross-Section Ratio $R^{04} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{r_{00}^{04}}{1-r_{00}^{04}}$ ,

where  $r_{00}^{04} = \sum \{ \epsilon |T_{00}|^2 + |T_{01}|^2 + |U_{01}|^2 \} / \sigma_{tot}$ ,  $\sigma_{tot} = \epsilon \sigma_L + \sigma_T$   
 $\sigma_T = \sum \{ |T_{11}|^2 + |T_{01}|^2 + |T_{1-1}|^2 + |U_{11}|^2 \}$ ,  $\sigma_L = \sum \{ |T_{00}|^2 + 2|T_{10}|^2 \}$



- ⇒ Due to the helicity-flip and unnatural parity amplitudes  $R^{04}$  depends on kinematic conditions, and is not identical to  $R \equiv |T_{00}|^2 / |T_{11}|^2$  at SCHC and NPE dominance
- ⇒ HERMES data suggests an  $R(W)$ -dependence

# Transverse Target Spin Asymmetry in Exclusive $\rho_0$ production

- Data taken with a transversely polarized Hydrogen target
- Selection of exclusive  $\rho_0$  vector meson the same as in the SDME analyses
- Transverse target polarization relative to the lepton beam direction

$$A_{UT}^l(\phi, \phi_s) = \frac{1}{P_T} \frac{d\sigma(\phi, \phi_s) - d\sigma(\phi, \phi_s + \pi)}{d\sigma(\phi, \phi_s) + d\sigma(\phi, \phi_s + \pi)}$$

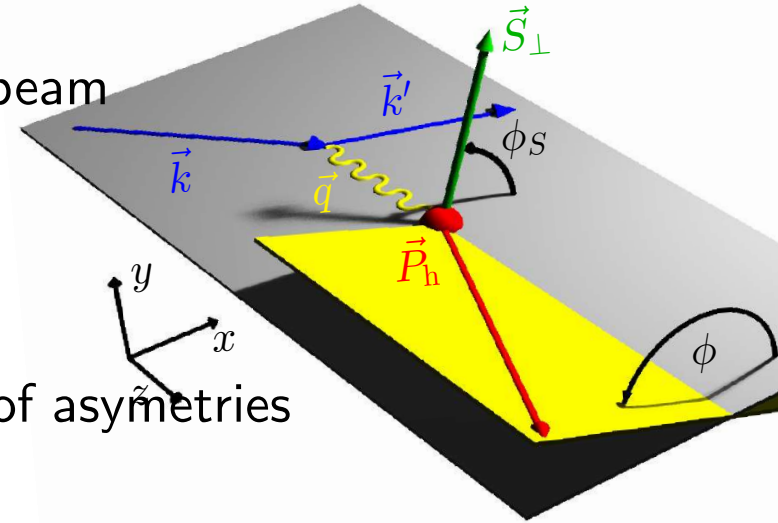
- Angular  $(\phi, \phi_s)$  distribution can be written in terms of asymmetries

$$W(P_T, \phi, \phi_s) \propto (1 + A_{UU}(\phi) + P_T A_{UT}^l(\phi, \phi_s))$$

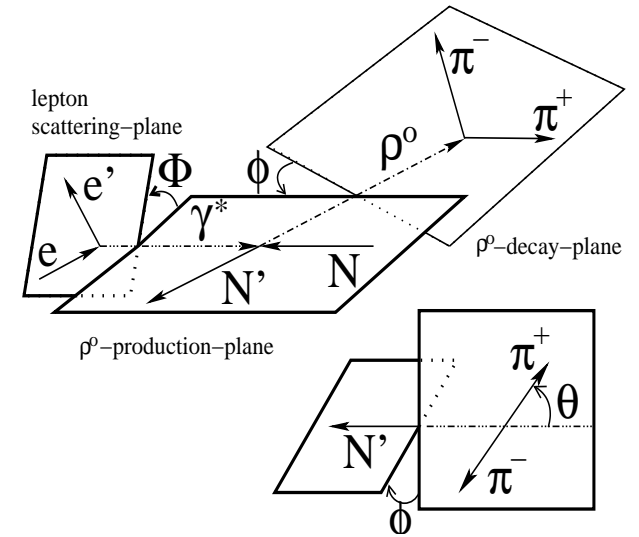
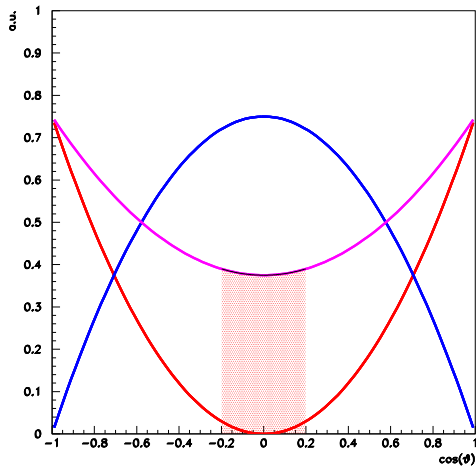
Where  $A_{UU}(\phi)$ ,  $A_{UT}^l(\phi, \phi_s)$  are parametrized as:

$$A_{UU}(\phi) = A_{UU}^{\cos(\phi_s)} \cos(\phi_s) + A_{UU}^{\cos(2\phi_s)} \cos(2\phi_s)$$

$$A_{UT}^l(\phi, \phi_s) = A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_s)} \sin(\phi_s) + A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi - \phi_s)} \sin(\phi - \phi_s) + \\ A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi + \phi_s)} \sin(\phi + \phi_s) + A_{UT}^{\sin(2\phi + \phi_s)} \sin(2\phi - \phi_s) + \\ A_{UT}^{\sin(2\phi + \phi_s)} \sin(2\phi + \phi_s) + A_{UT}^{\sin(3\phi + \phi_s)} \sin(3\phi - \phi_s)$$



# Method of Asymmetry Extraction

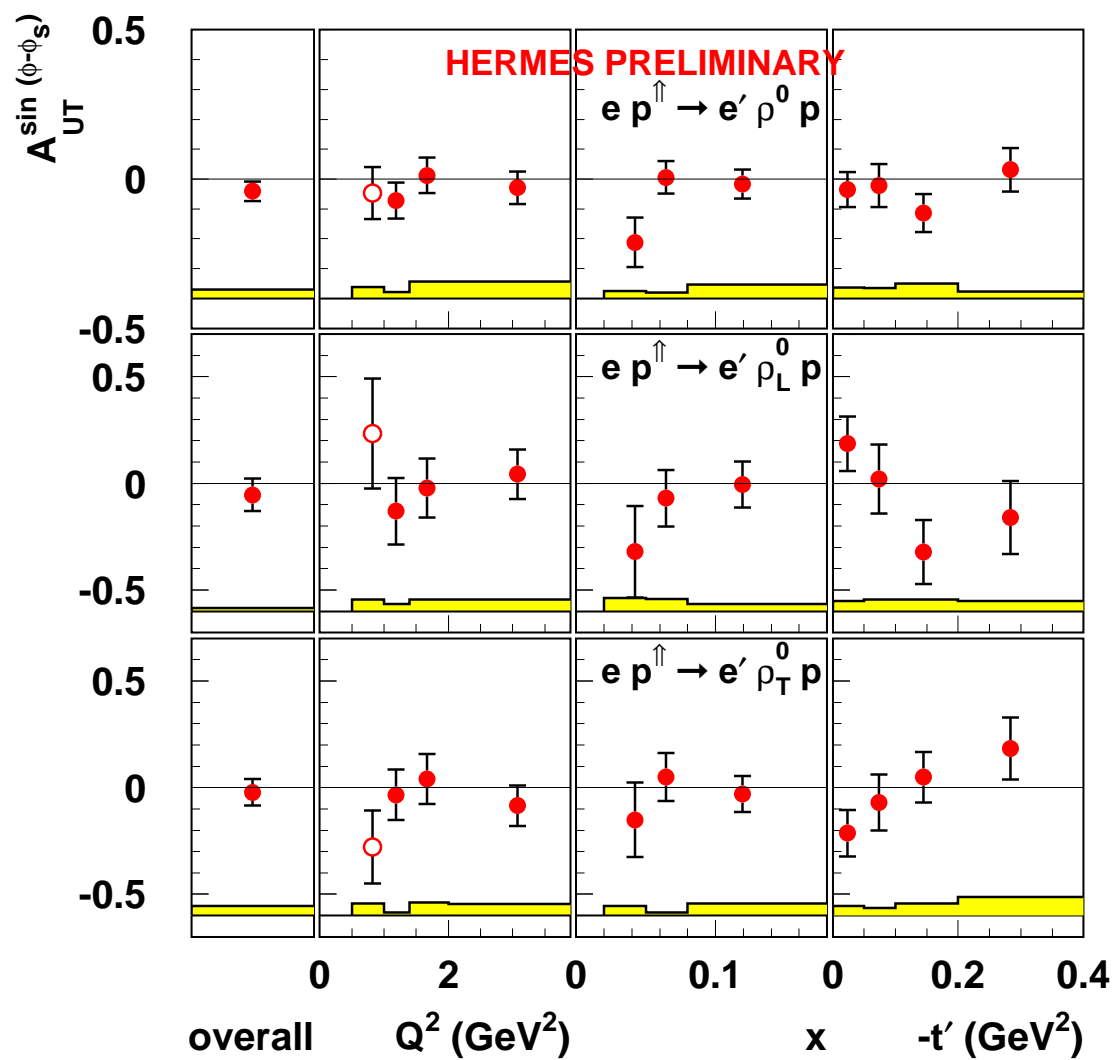


- Each  $\rho^0$  polarization state has a characteristic decay angular distribution
- Assuming SCHC hypothesis we can separate  $\rho_L^0, \rho_T^0$  which is equivalent to  $\gamma_L^*, \gamma_T^*$  separation,  $\sigma_L = \frac{R}{1+\epsilon R} \sigma_{tot}$ , where  $R = \sigma_L / \sigma_T = \frac{r_{00}^{04}}{\epsilon(1-r_{00}^{04})}$
- Angular  $(\cos\theta, \phi, \phi_s)$  distribution can be written as: (Diel,Sapeta:hep-ph/0503023)

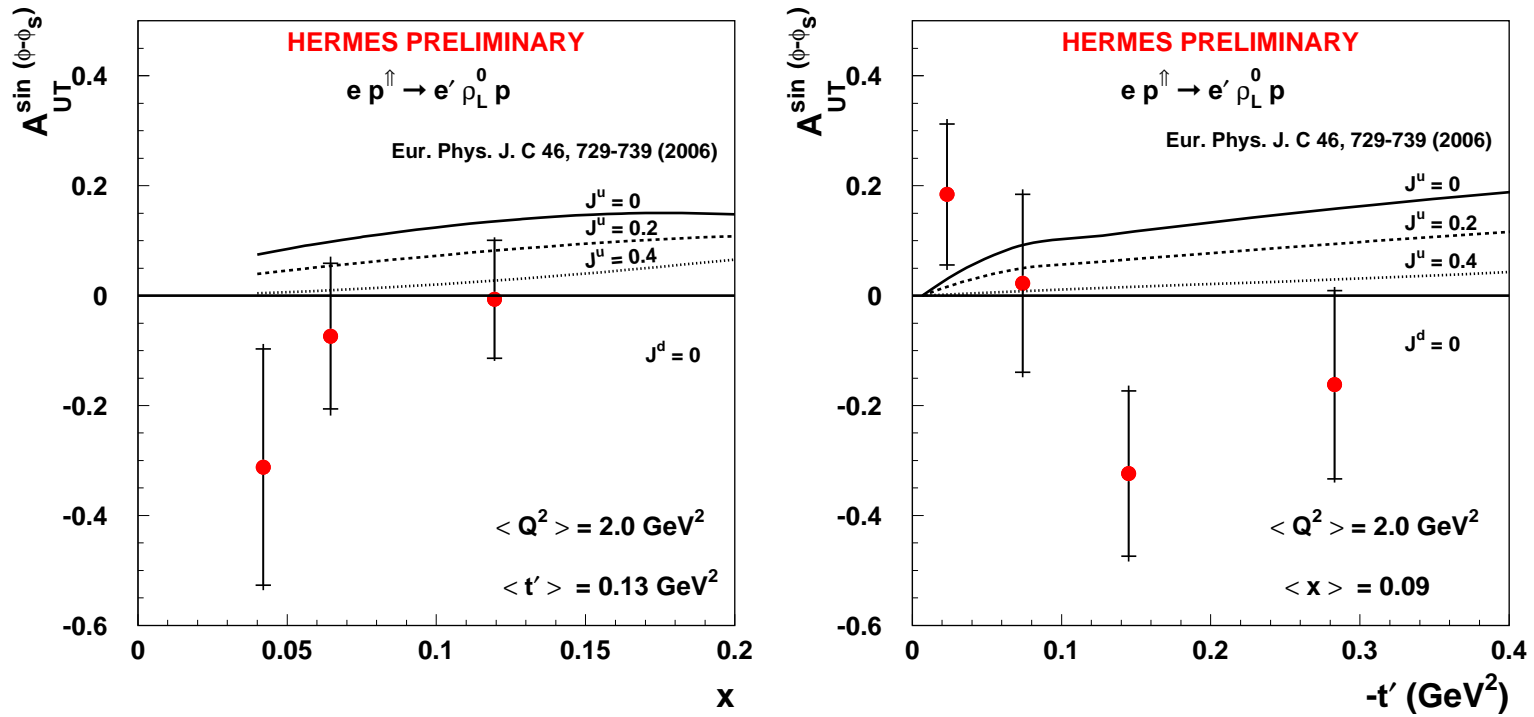
$$W(P_T, \cos\theta_{\pi\pi}, \phi, \phi_s) \propto [\cos^2\theta r_{00}^{04}(1 + P_T A_{UT,\rho_L}^l(\phi, \phi_s)) + A_{UU,\rho_L}(\phi)] + \frac{1}{2} \sin^2\theta (1 - r_{00}^{04})(1 + P_T A_{UT,\rho_T}^l(\phi, \phi_s)) + A_{UU,\rho_T}(\phi)]$$

- Assymetries extracted with Unbinned Max Likelihood fit to Yields
- $A_{UU,\rho_L/\rho_T}$  terms are obtained from SDME

$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi_s)}$  for  $q^2, x, t'$  bins



# Comparison with Theory.



- Data hints positive  $J^u$
- In agreement with HERMES DVCS result



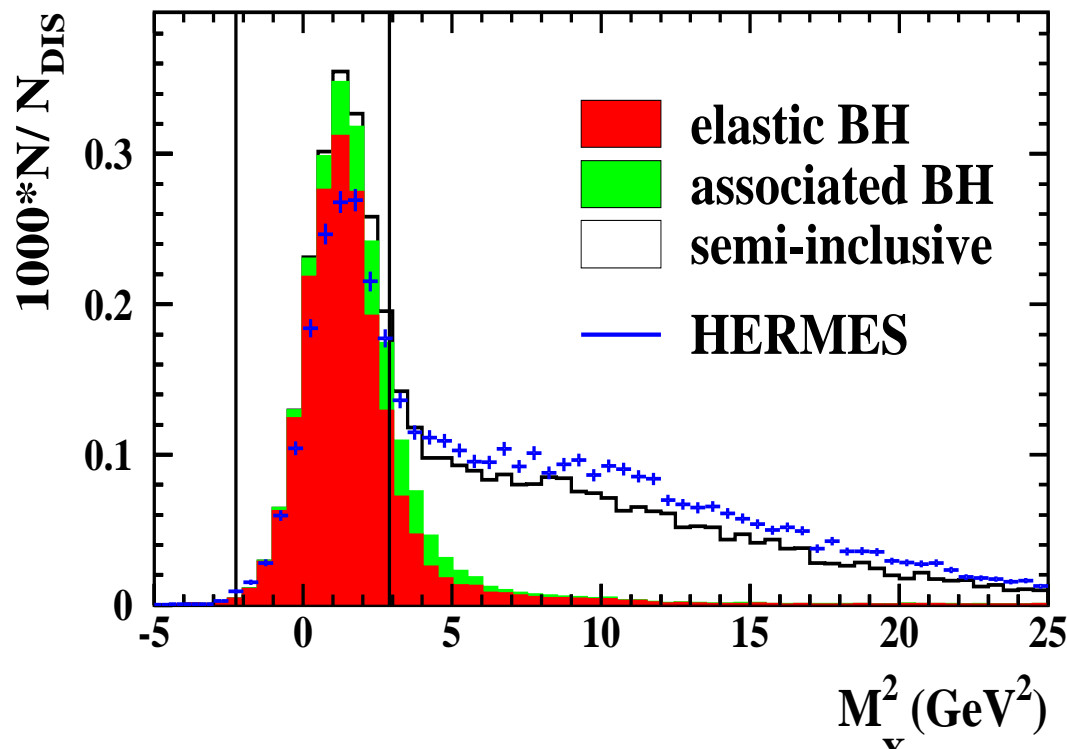
## DVCS Event selection

- Exactly one DIS lepton and one trackless cluster (photon) in the calorimeter
- Recoiling proton undetected

$$t = (p - p')^2 = -Q^2 - 2E_\gamma(\nu - \sqrt{\nu^2 + Q^2} \cdot \cos\theta_{\gamma,\gamma^*})$$

$$\text{Exclusivity via Missing Mass: } M_x^2 = (q + p + p')^2$$

$$-(1.5)^2 < M_x^2 < 1.7^2 \text{ GeV}^2$$



$ep \rightarrow e' p \gamma$  : Elastic BH  
 $ep \rightarrow e' \Delta^+ \gamma$  : Associate BH  
 $ep \rightarrow e' \pi X$  : Semi- Inclusive

Overall background contribution  $\approx 15\%$

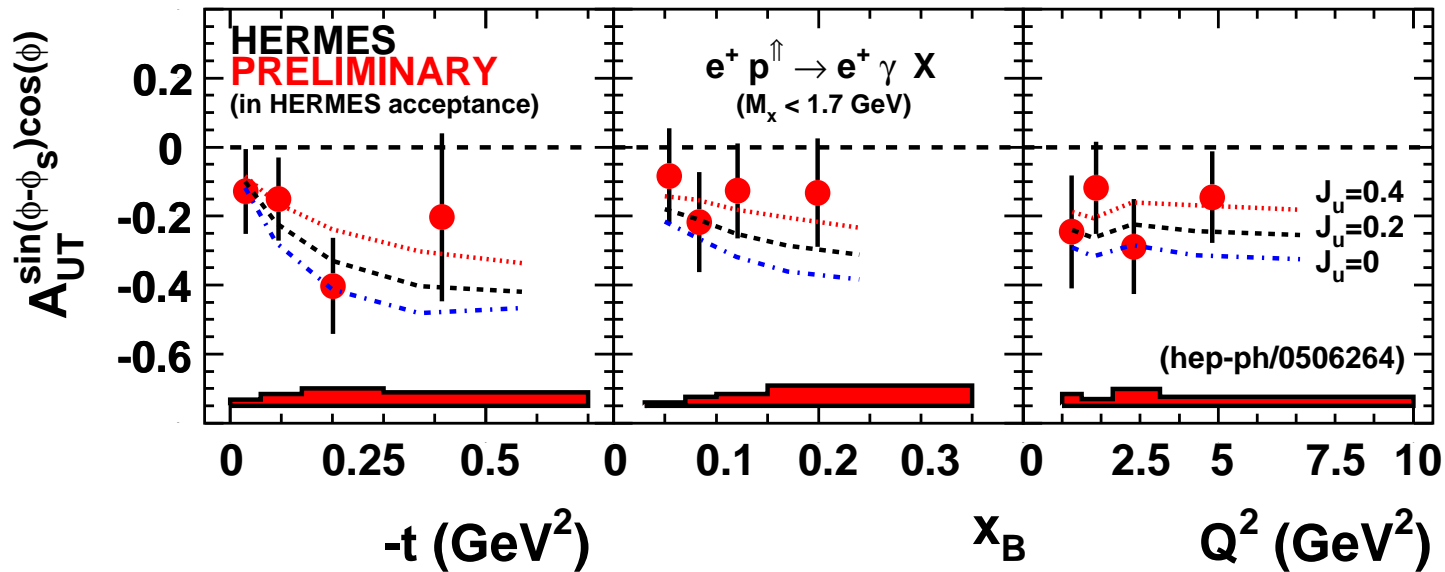
# DVCS Transverse Target-Spin Asymmetry

$$d\sigma(e^+, p^\uparrow) - d\sigma(e^+, p^\downarrow) \propto \text{Im}[F_2\mathcal{H} - F_1\mathcal{E}] \cdot \sin(\phi - \phi_s) \cdot \cos(\phi - \phi_s) \dots$$

only asymmetry with GPD E entering in leading order

$$J_q = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 dx x [H_q(x, \xi, t) + E_q(x, \xi, t)] \Rightarrow \text{Access total angular momentum}$$

$$A_{UT}(\phi, \phi_s) = A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi - \phi_s)\cos\phi} \cdot \sin(\phi - \phi_s)\cos\phi + A_{UT}^{\cos(\phi - \phi_s)\sin\phi} \cdot \cos(\phi - \phi_s)\sin\phi$$



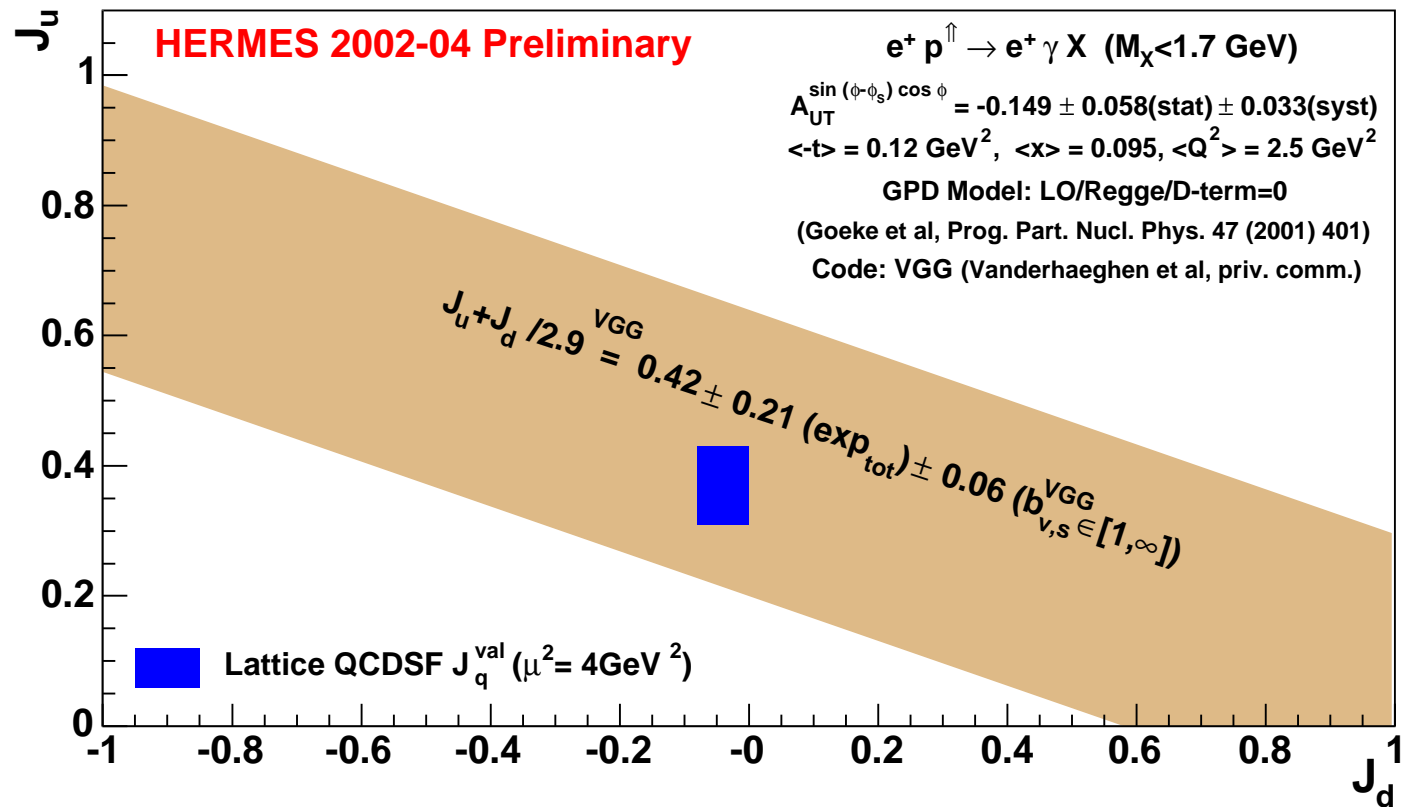
$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi - \phi_s)\cos\phi}$  sensitive to  $J_u$  under assumption  $J_d = 0$

# First Model-Dependent Constraint on $J_u = 0$ and $J_d = 0$

$$\chi^2(J_u, J_d) = \frac{[A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi_s)\cos\phi}|_{exp.} - A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi_s)\cos\phi}|_{VGG(J_u, J_d)}]^2}{\delta A_{stat.}^2 + \delta A_{sys.}^2}$$

$J_u = 0$  and  $J_d = 0$  free parameters i GPD-Model (VGG)

$1 - \sigma$  constraint on  $J_u$  vs  $J_u$  given by  $\chi^2(J_u, J_d) \leq \chi_{min}^2 + 1$



Large 2005 data sample yet to be added

## Summary

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- 15 beam-polarization-independent SDMEs and plus, for the first time, 8 beam-polarization-dependent SDMEs for the  $\rho^0 \phi$ , are obtained
- Deviation from SCHC for  $\rho^0$  and holds of SCHC hypothesis for  $\phi$  is observed
- Indication of UNP processes for  $\rho^0$  and dominance of NP processes for  $\phi$  is observed
- Hierarchy of helicity transfer amplitudes is established
- $R \equiv \sigma_L/\sigma_T$  ratio suggests a  $W$ -dependence for  $\rho^0$
- First measurement of  $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi_s)}$  separately for  $\rho^L$  and  $\rho^T$
- First Model-Dependent Constraint on  $J_u$  and  $J_d$  is made

# The HERMES recoil counter and the 2006-2007 Data

