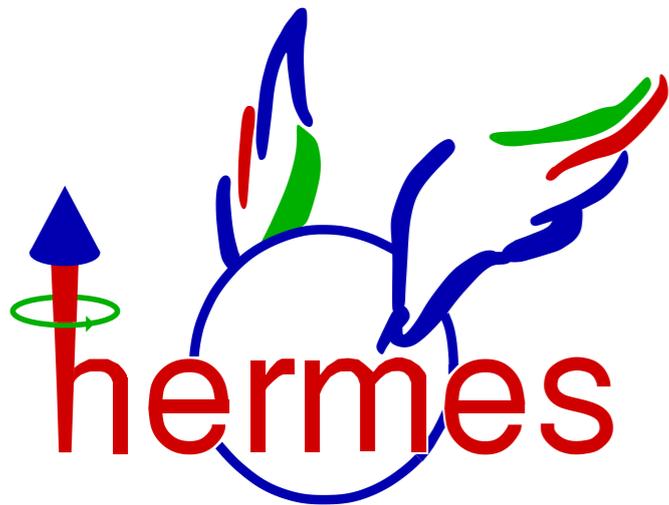


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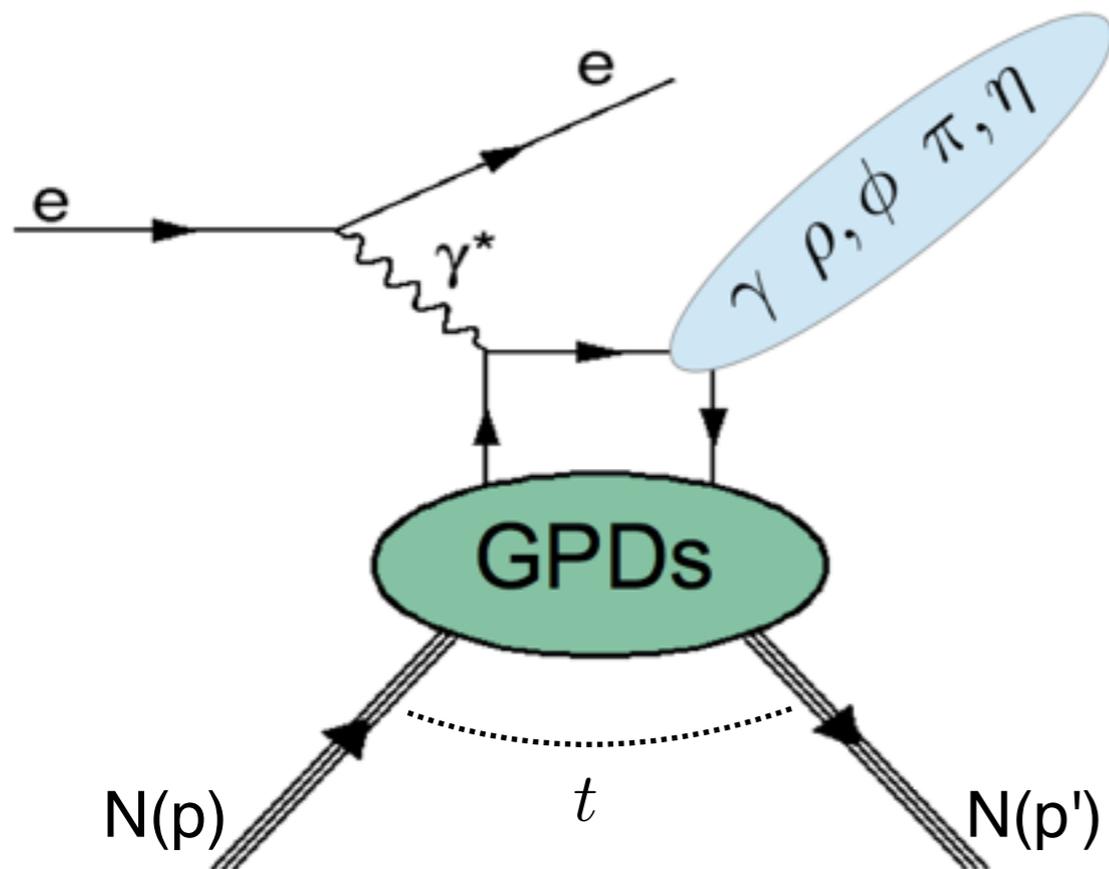


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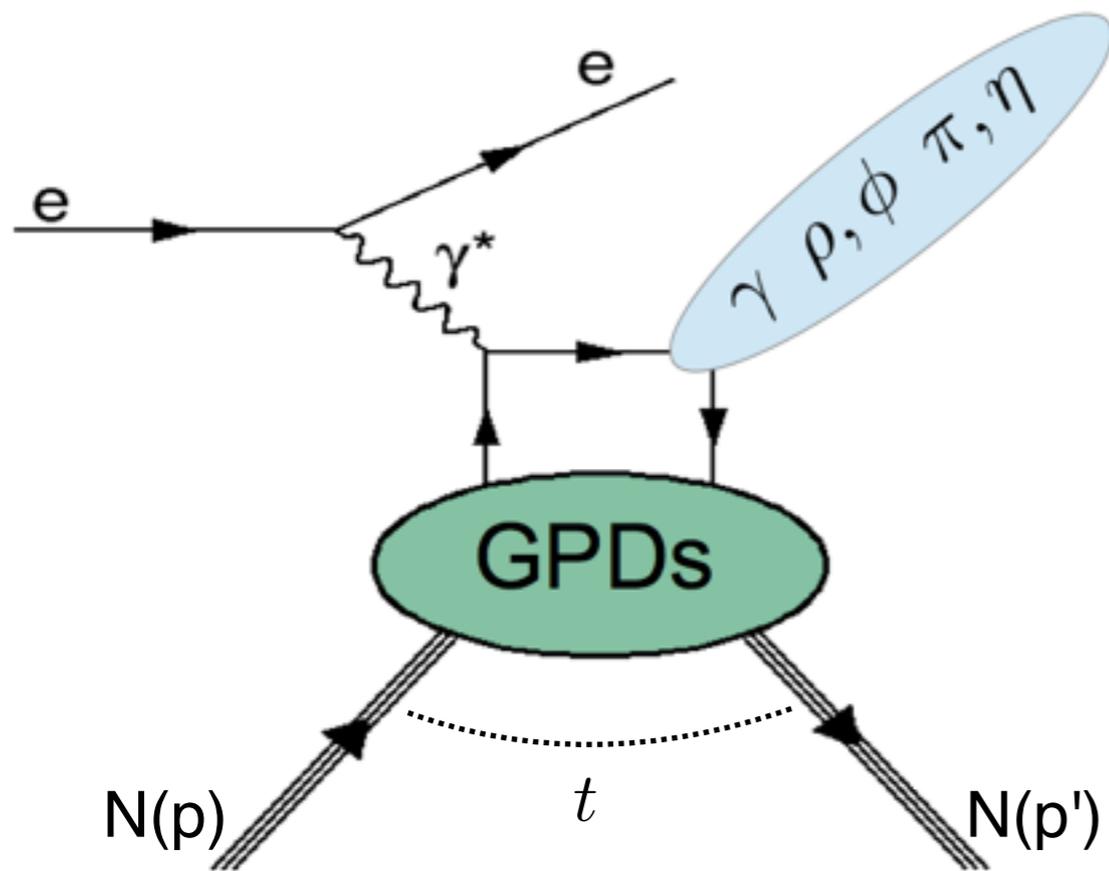
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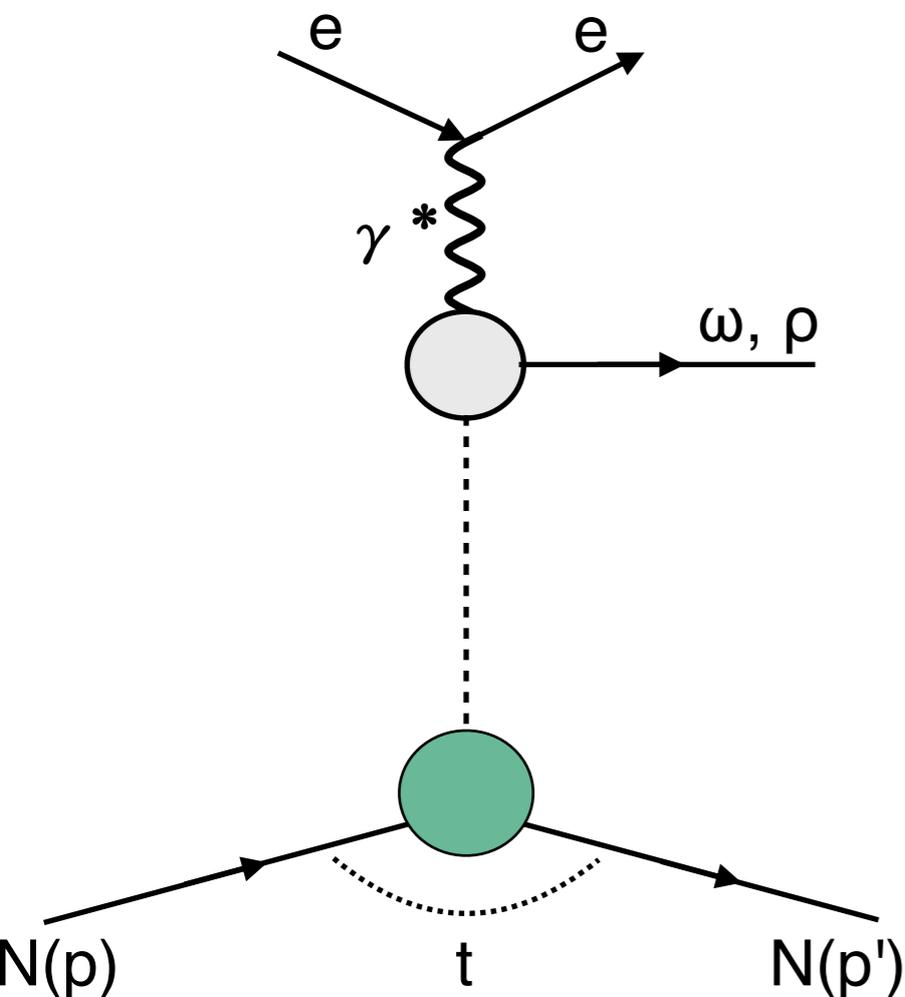
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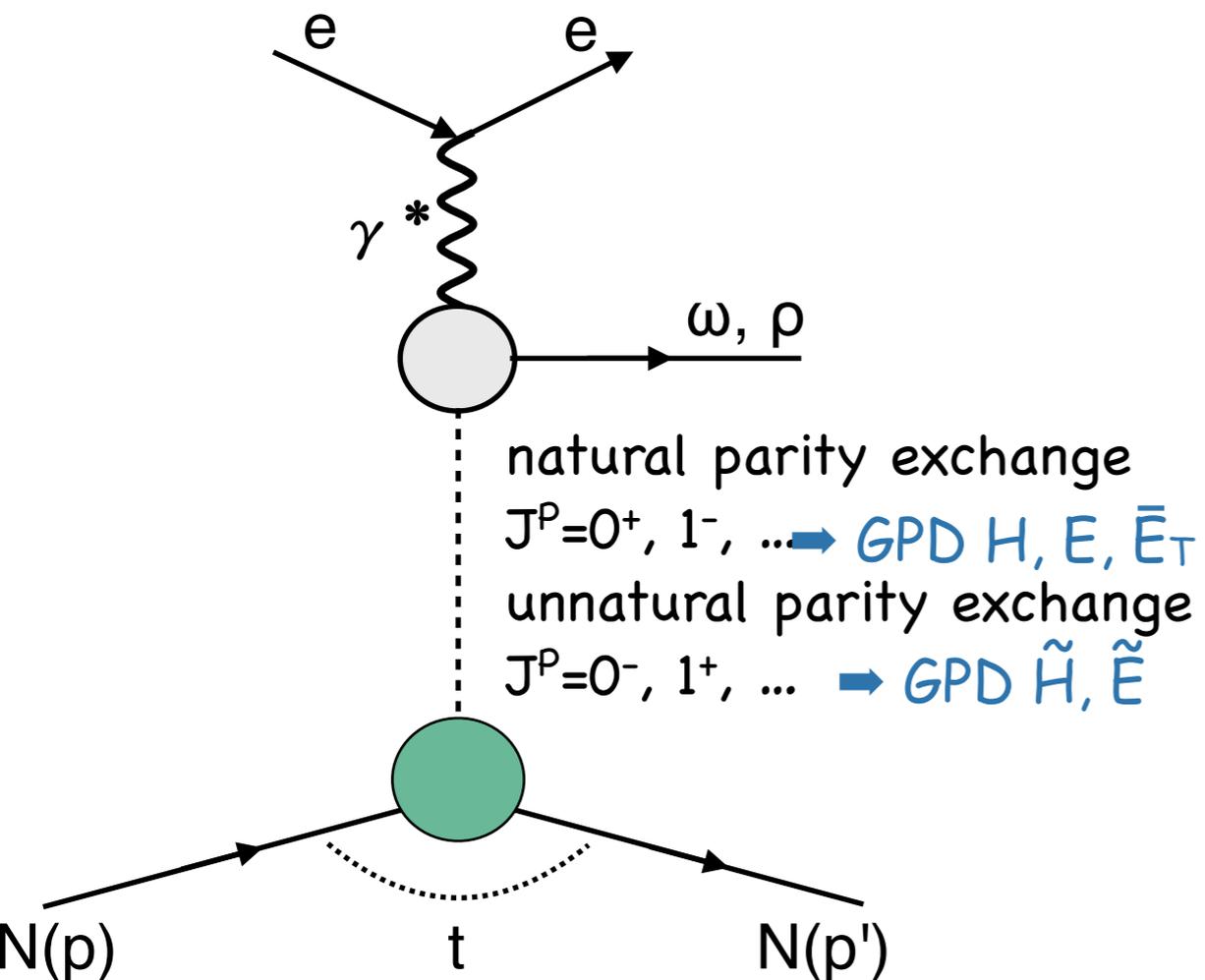
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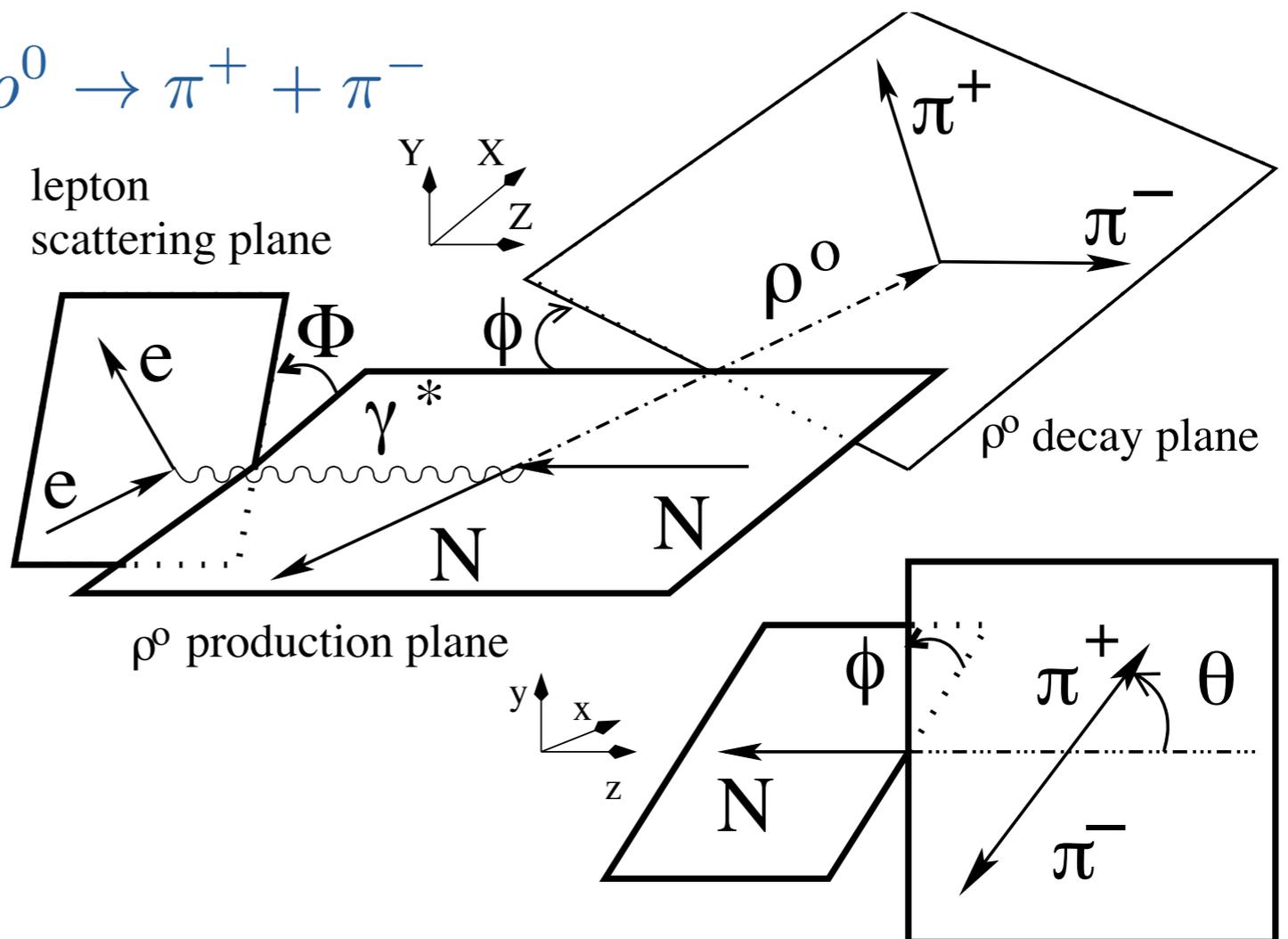
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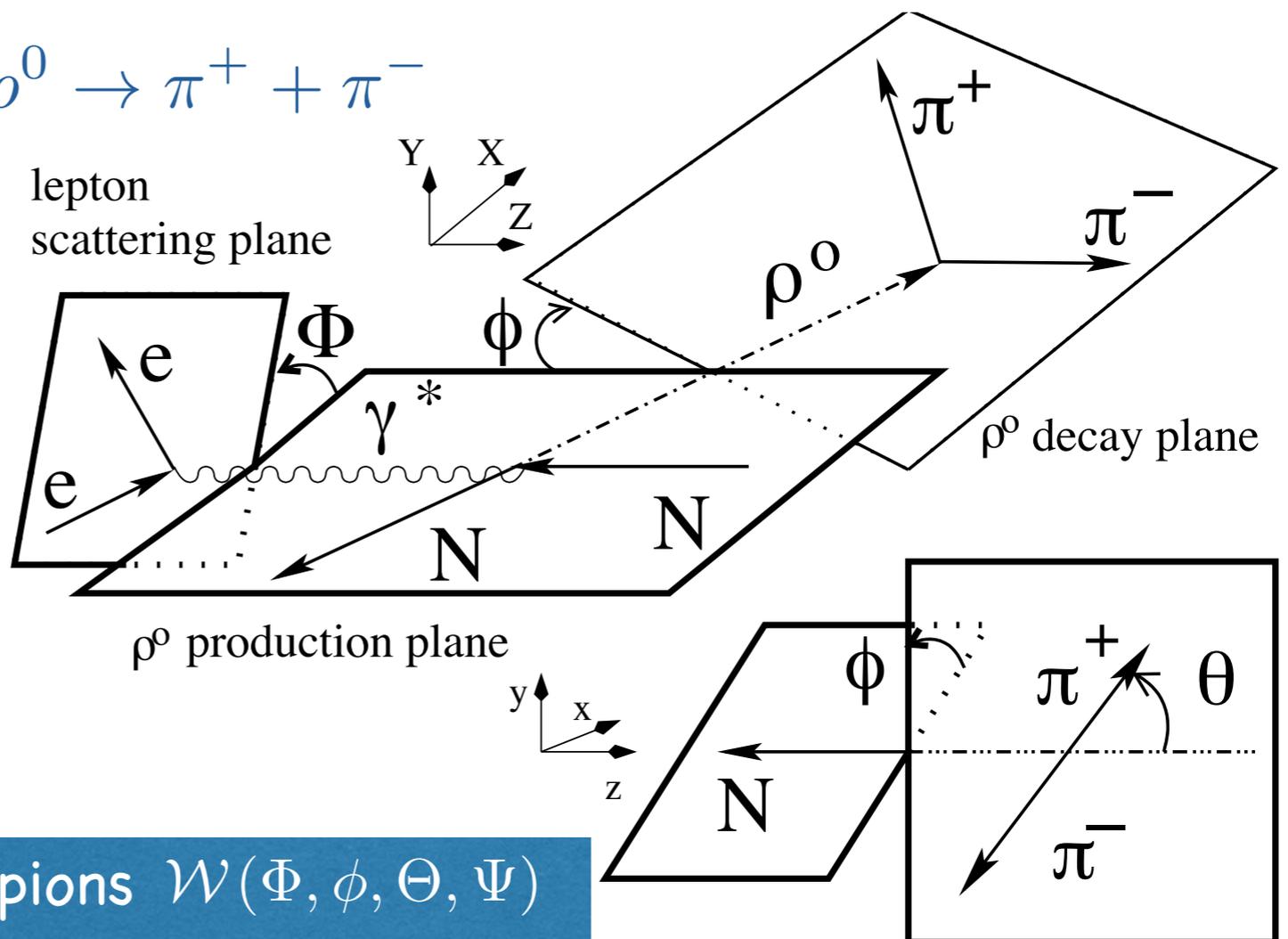
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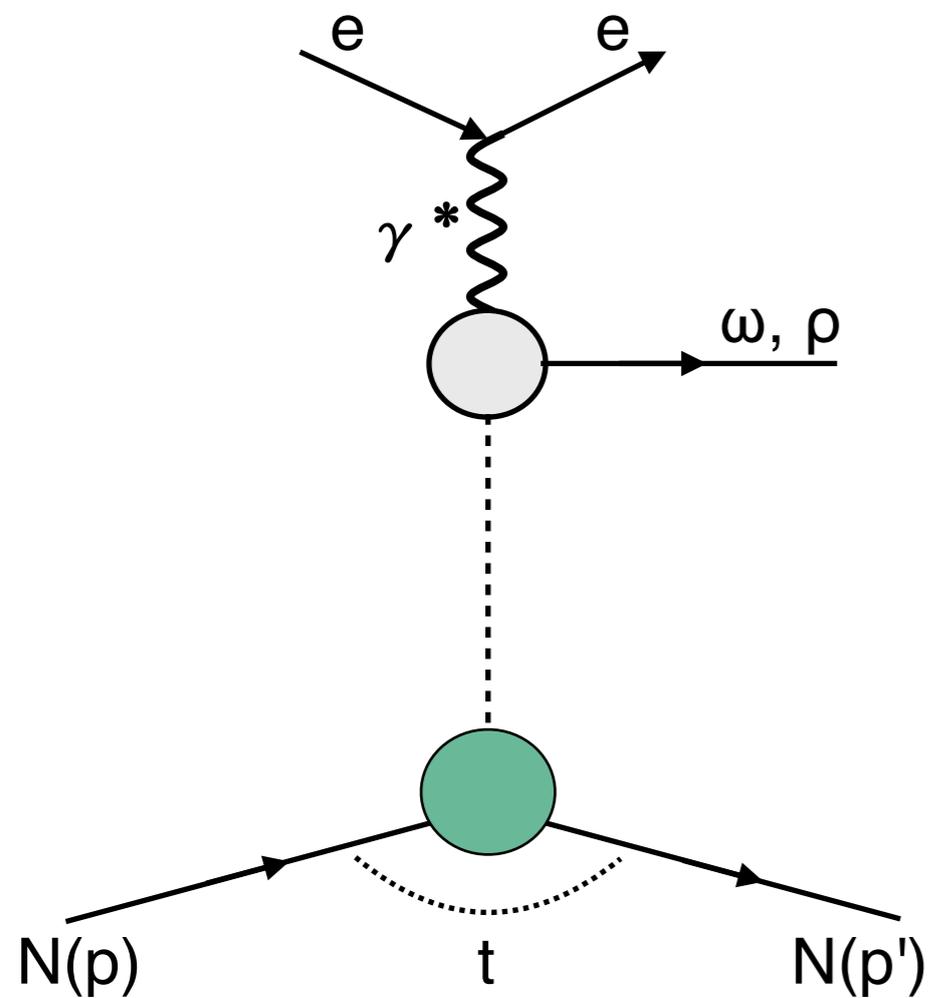
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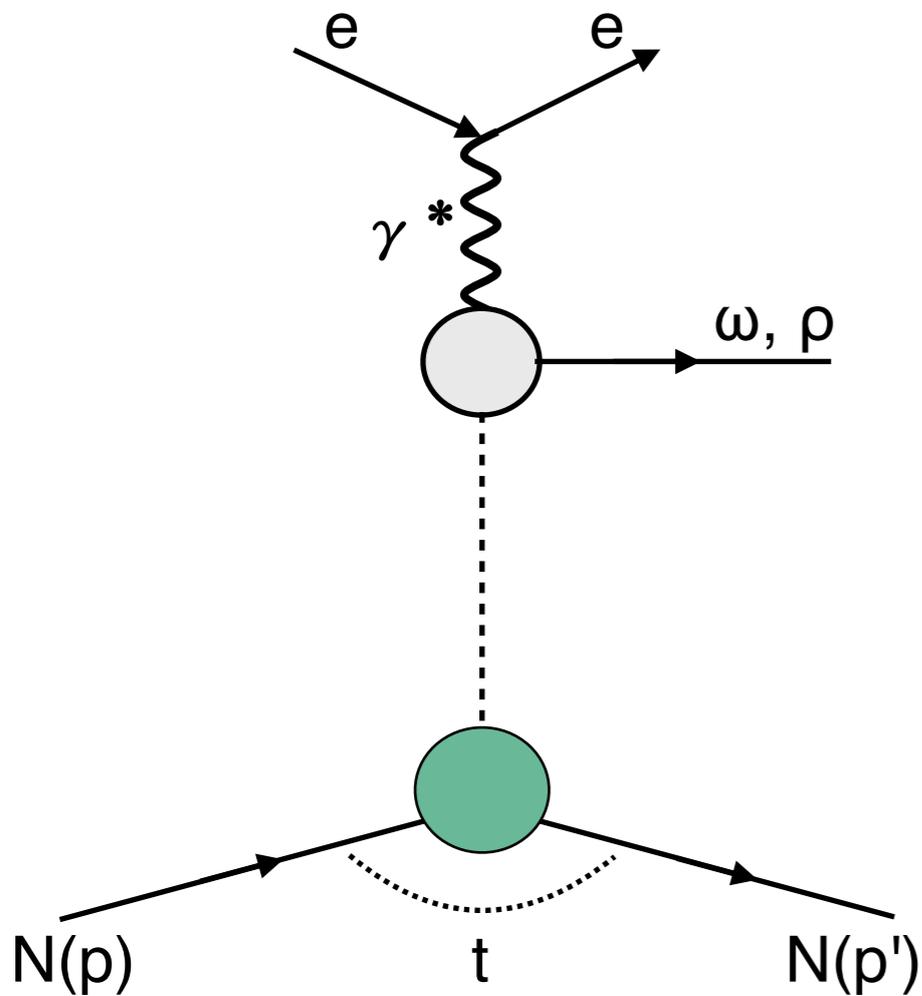
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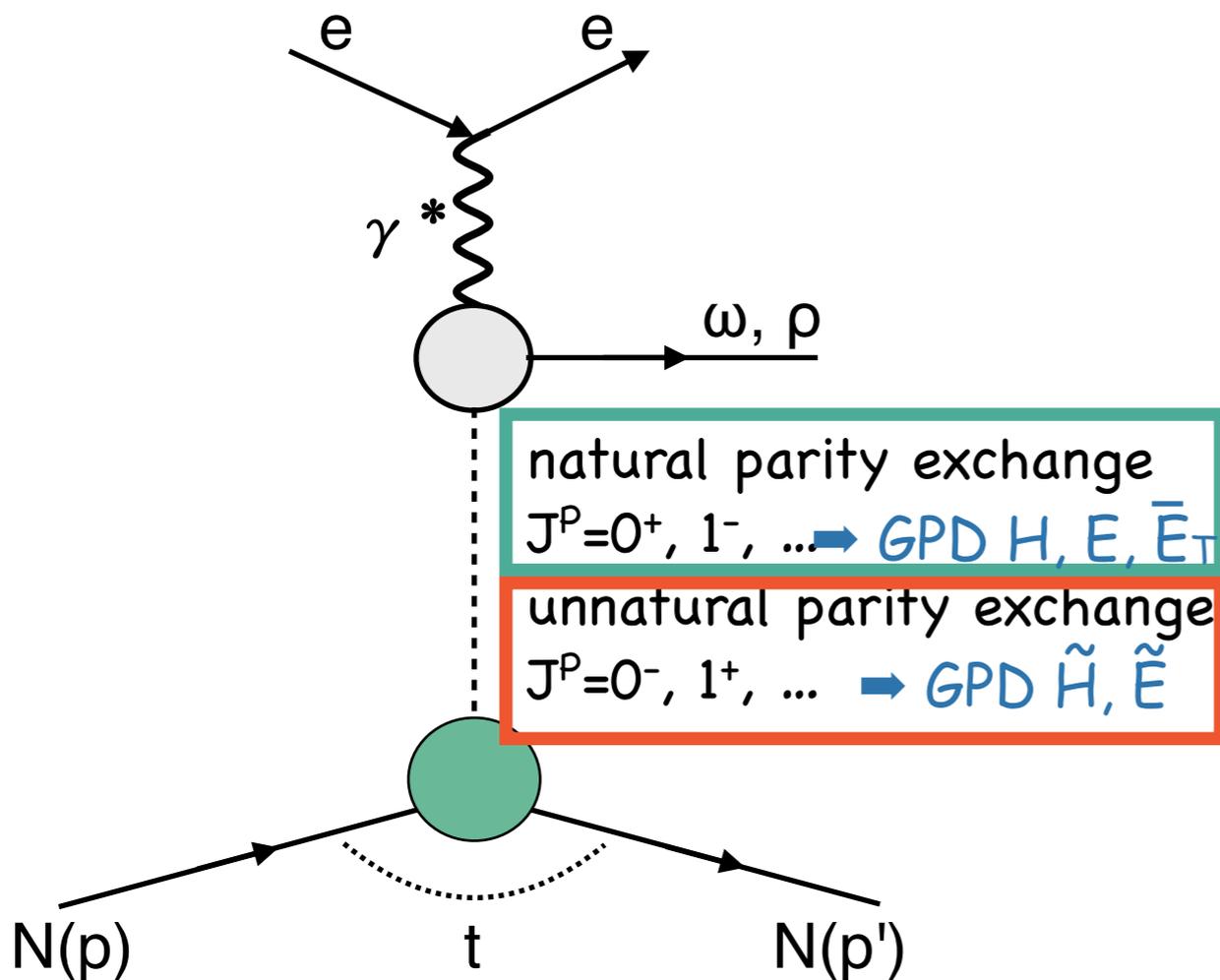


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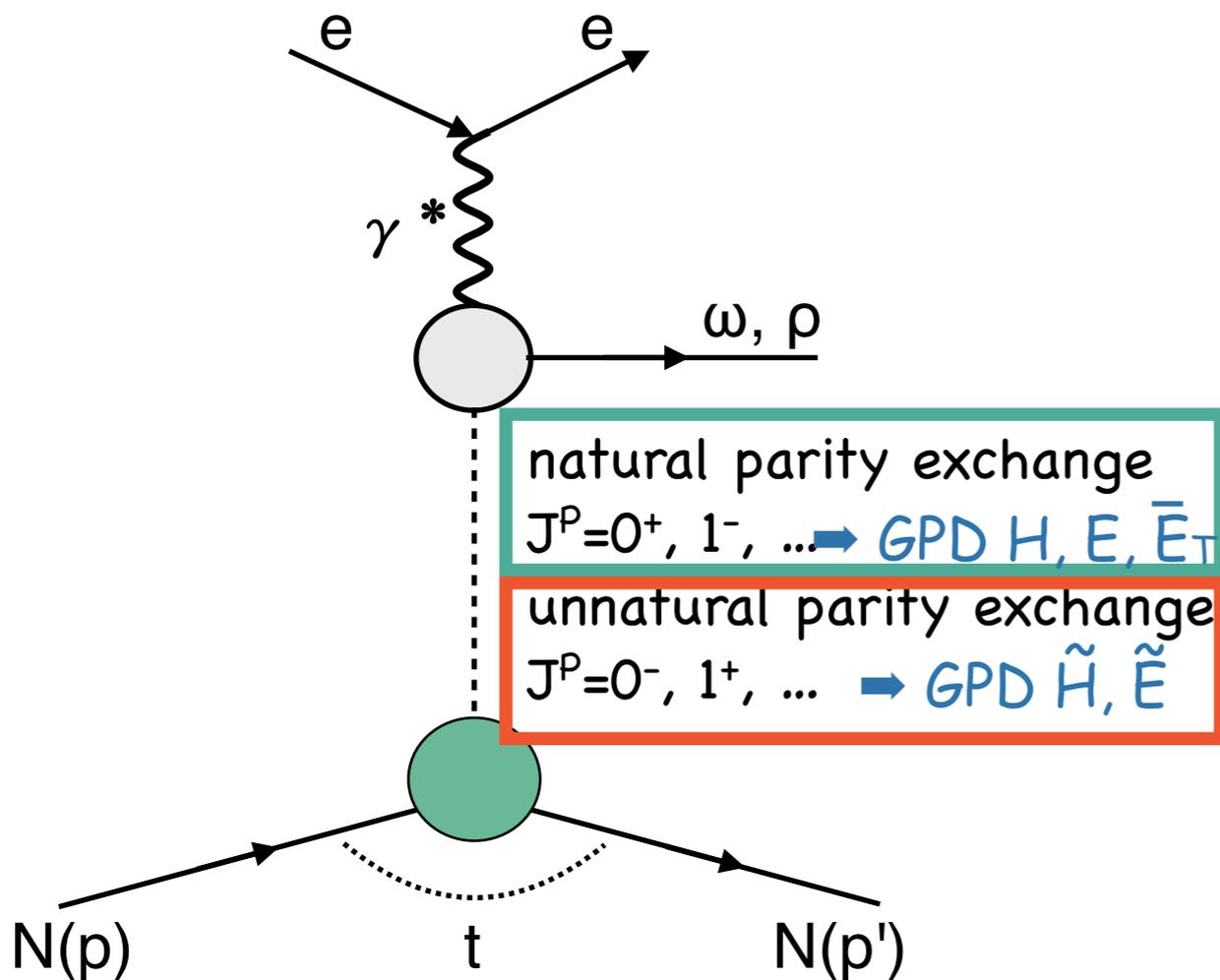
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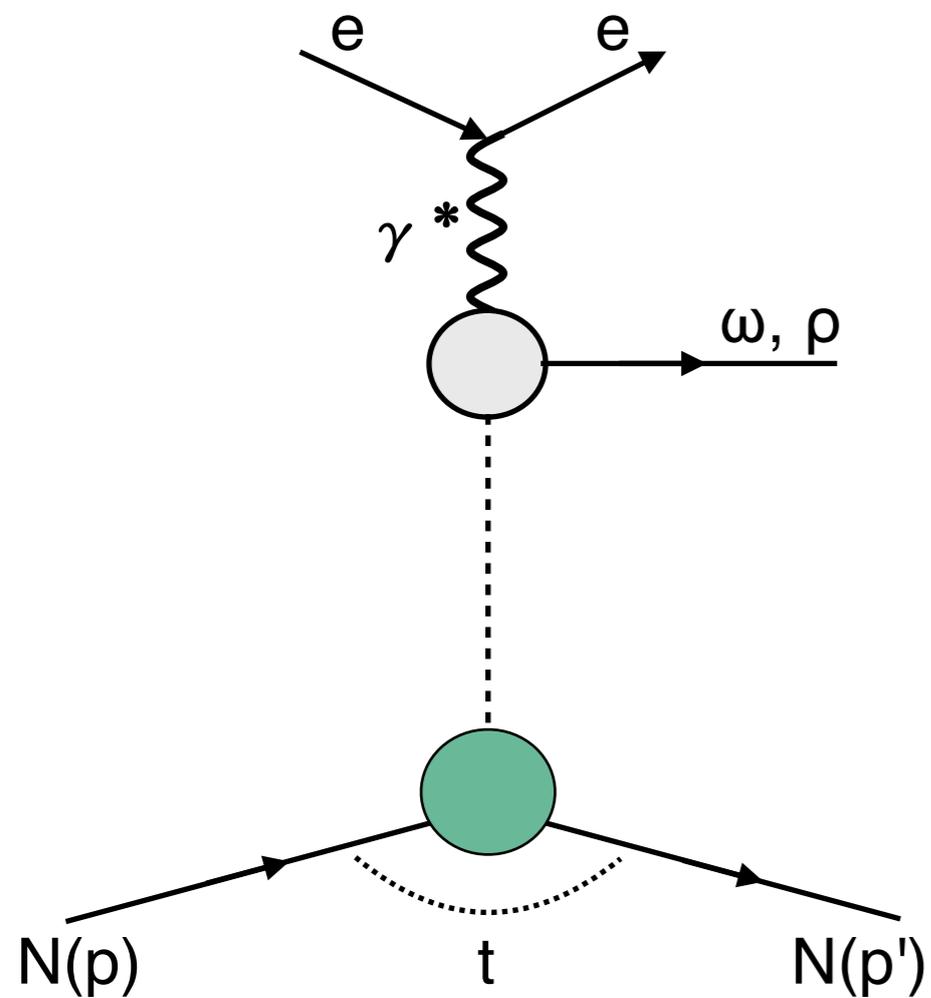
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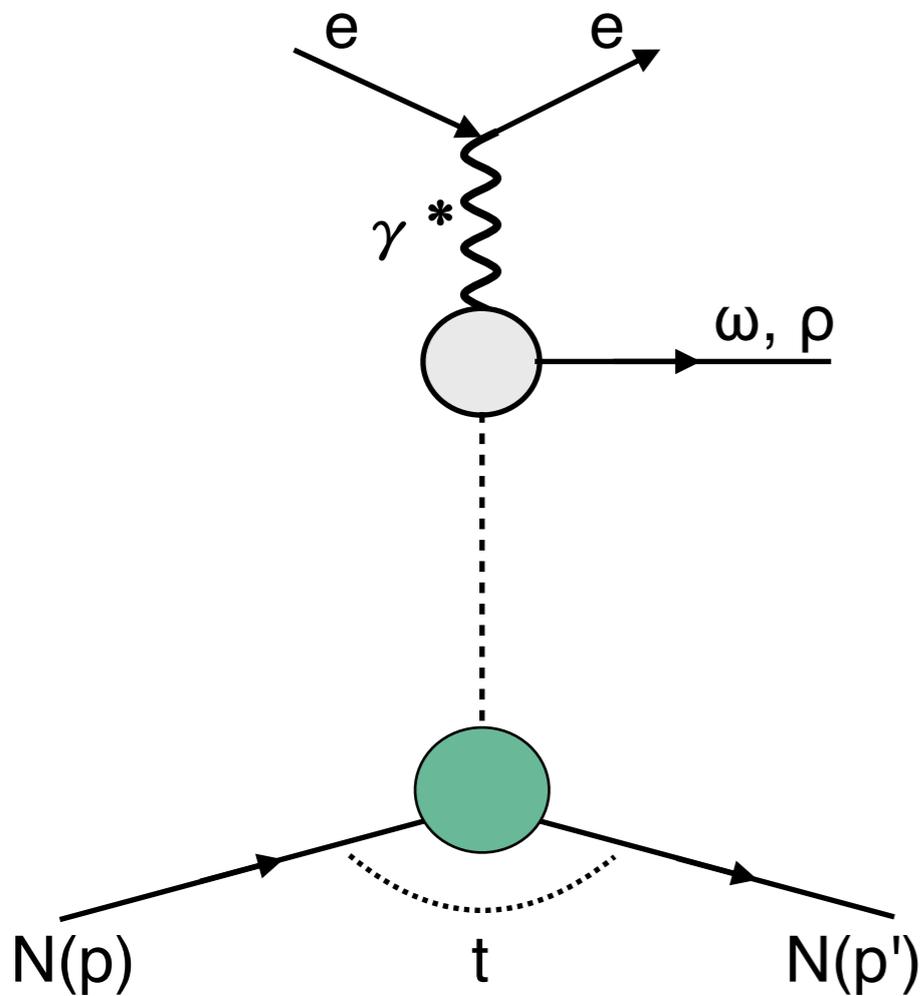
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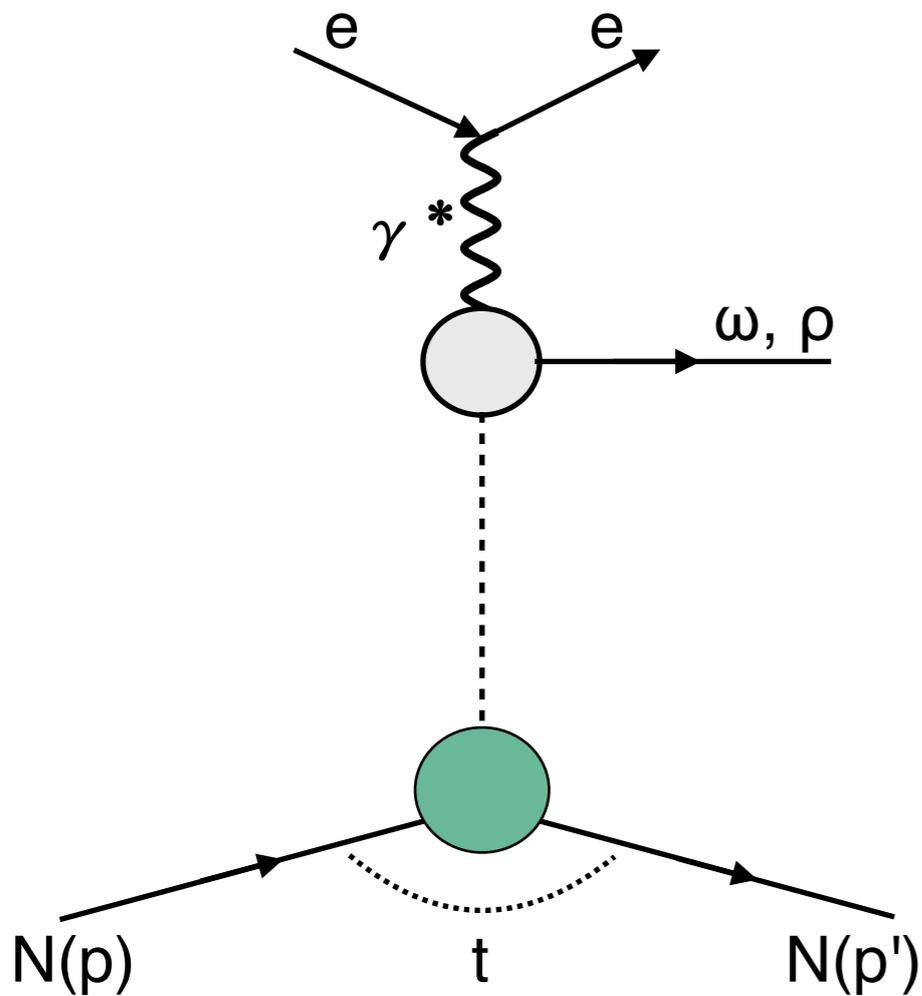


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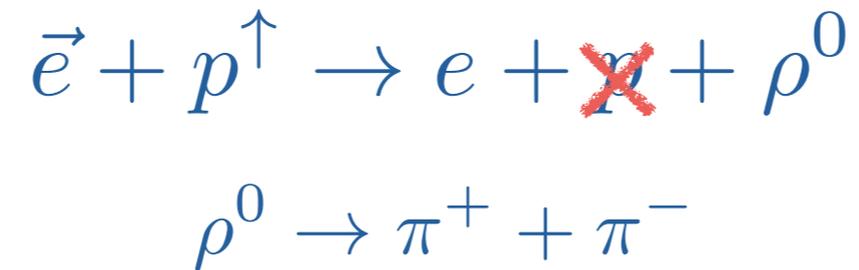
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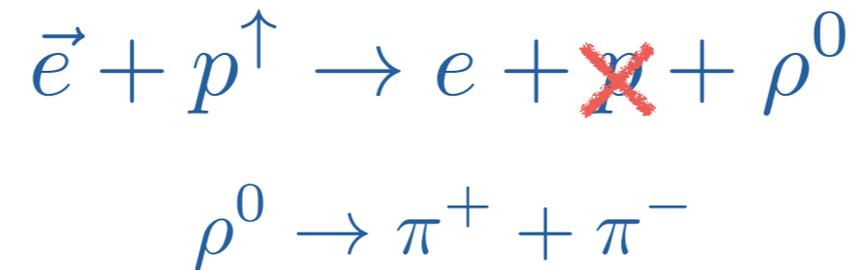
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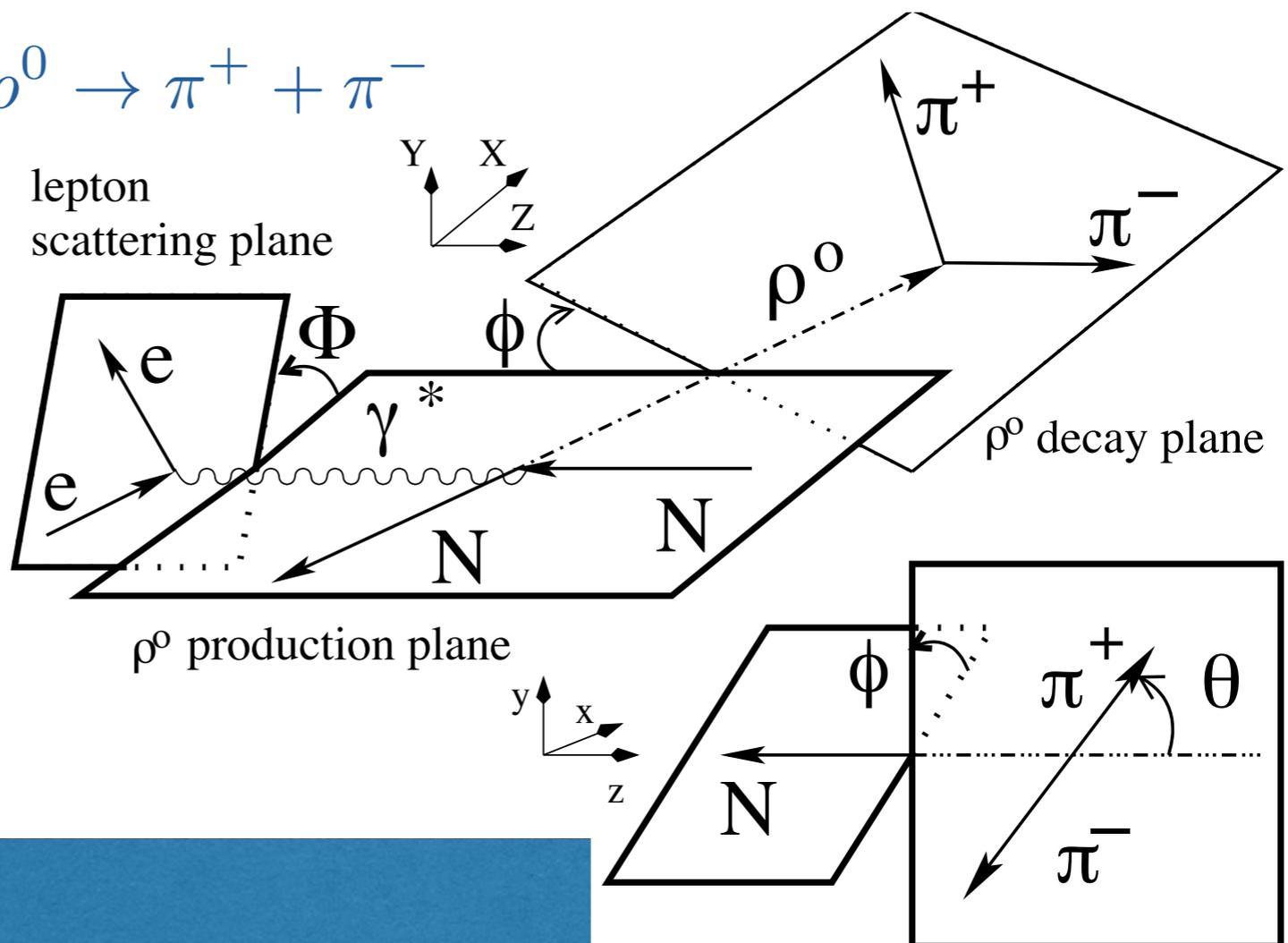
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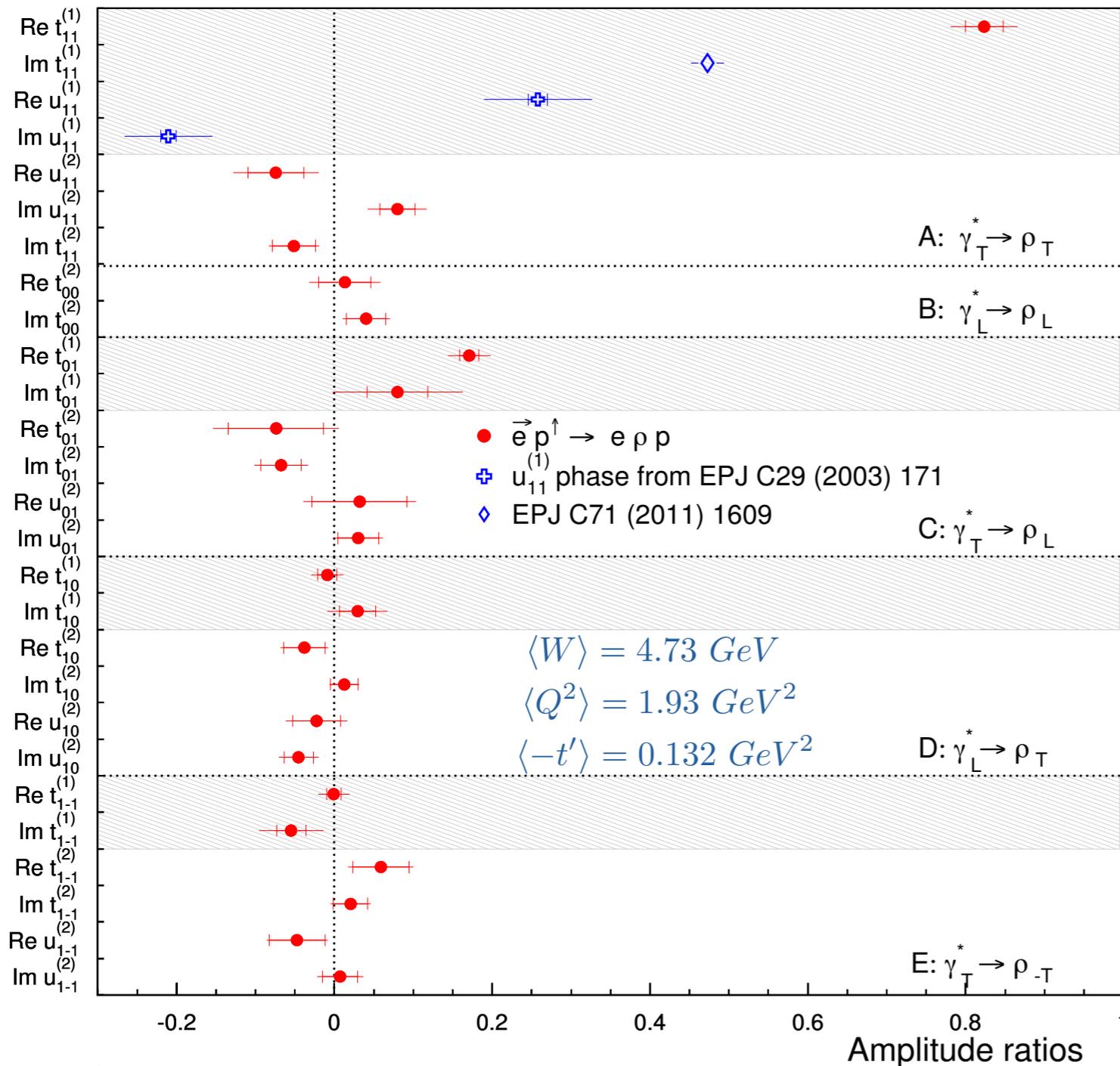
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 extract 25 parameters. Use 4x3 cells in  $(Q^2, -t')$ .

# Parametrisation of helicity amplitudes

Parametrization	value of parameter	statistical uncertainty	total uncertainty
$\text{Re}\{t_{11}^{(1)}\} = b_1/Q$	$b_1 = 1.145 \text{ GeV}$	0.033 GeV	0.081 GeV
$ u_{11}^{(1)}  = b_2$	$b_2 = 0.333$	0.016	0.088
$\text{Re}\{u_{11}^{(2)}\} = b_3$	$b_3 = -0.074$	0.036	0.054
$\text{Im}\{u_{11}^{(2)}\} = b_4$	$b_4 = 0.080$	0.022	0.037
$\xi = b_5$	$b_5 = -0.055$	0.027	0.029
$\zeta = b_6$	$b_6 = -0.013$	0.033	0.044
$\text{Im}\{t_{00}^{(2)}\} = b_7$	$b_7 = 0.040$	0.025	0.030
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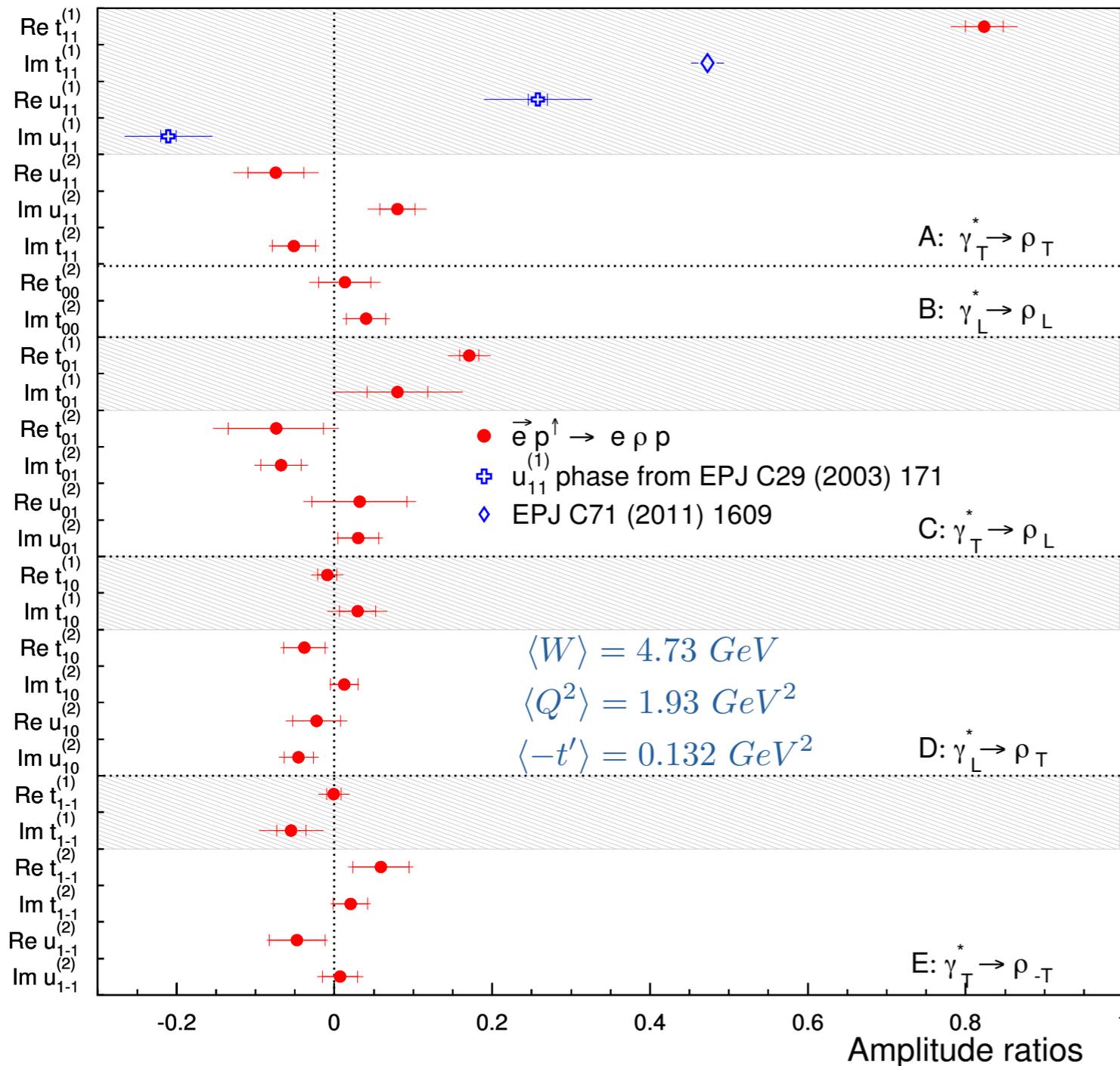
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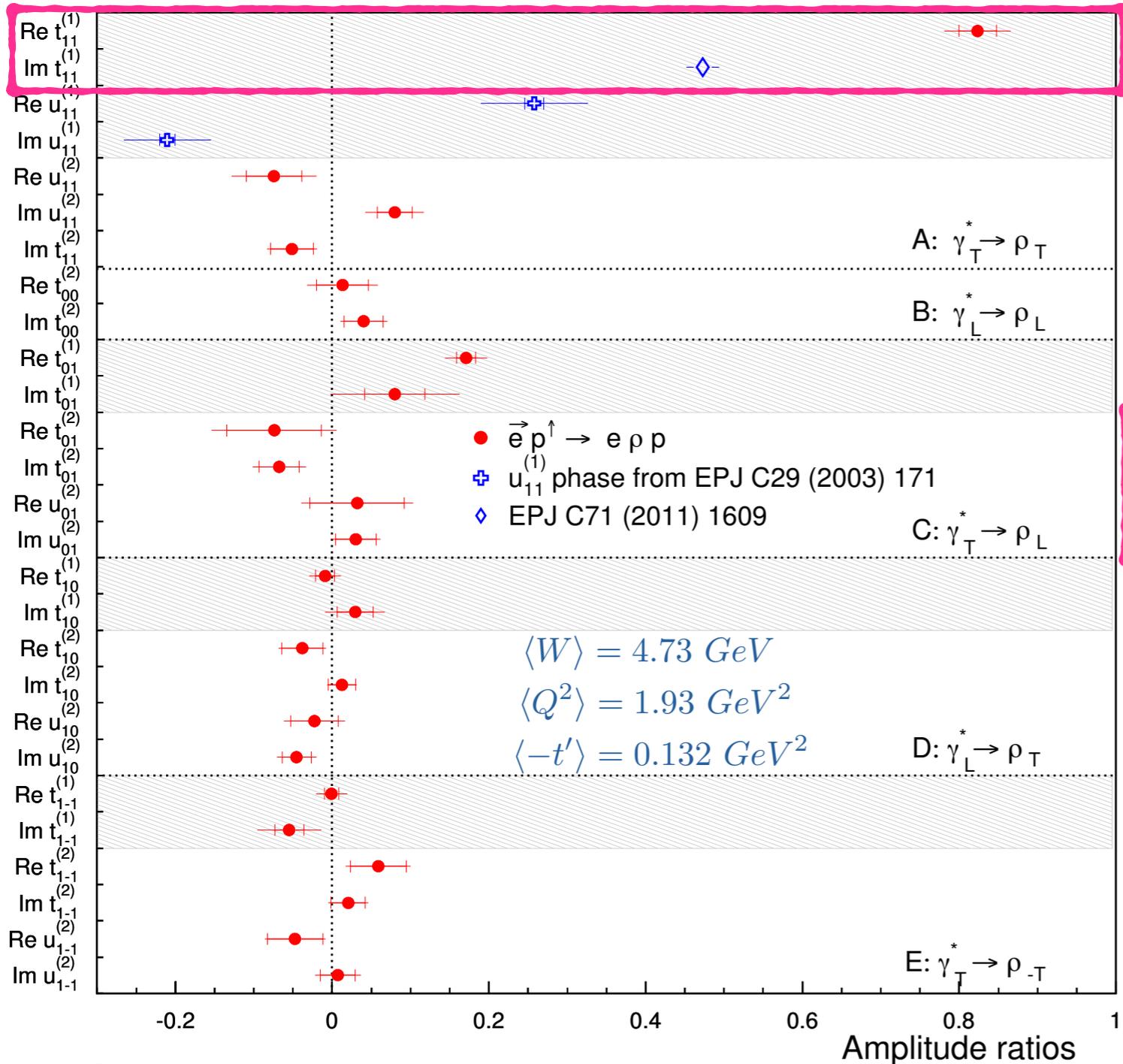
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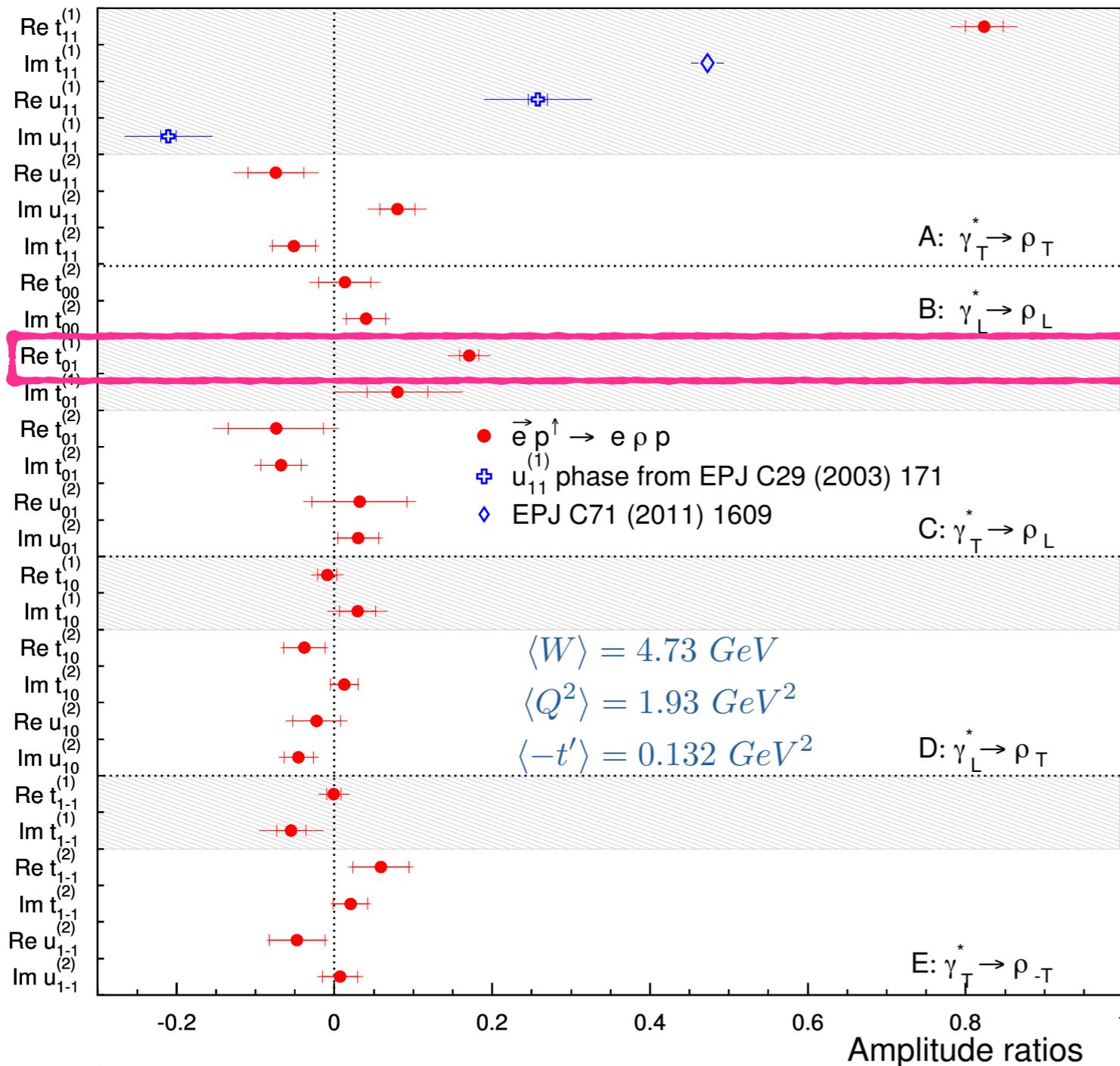
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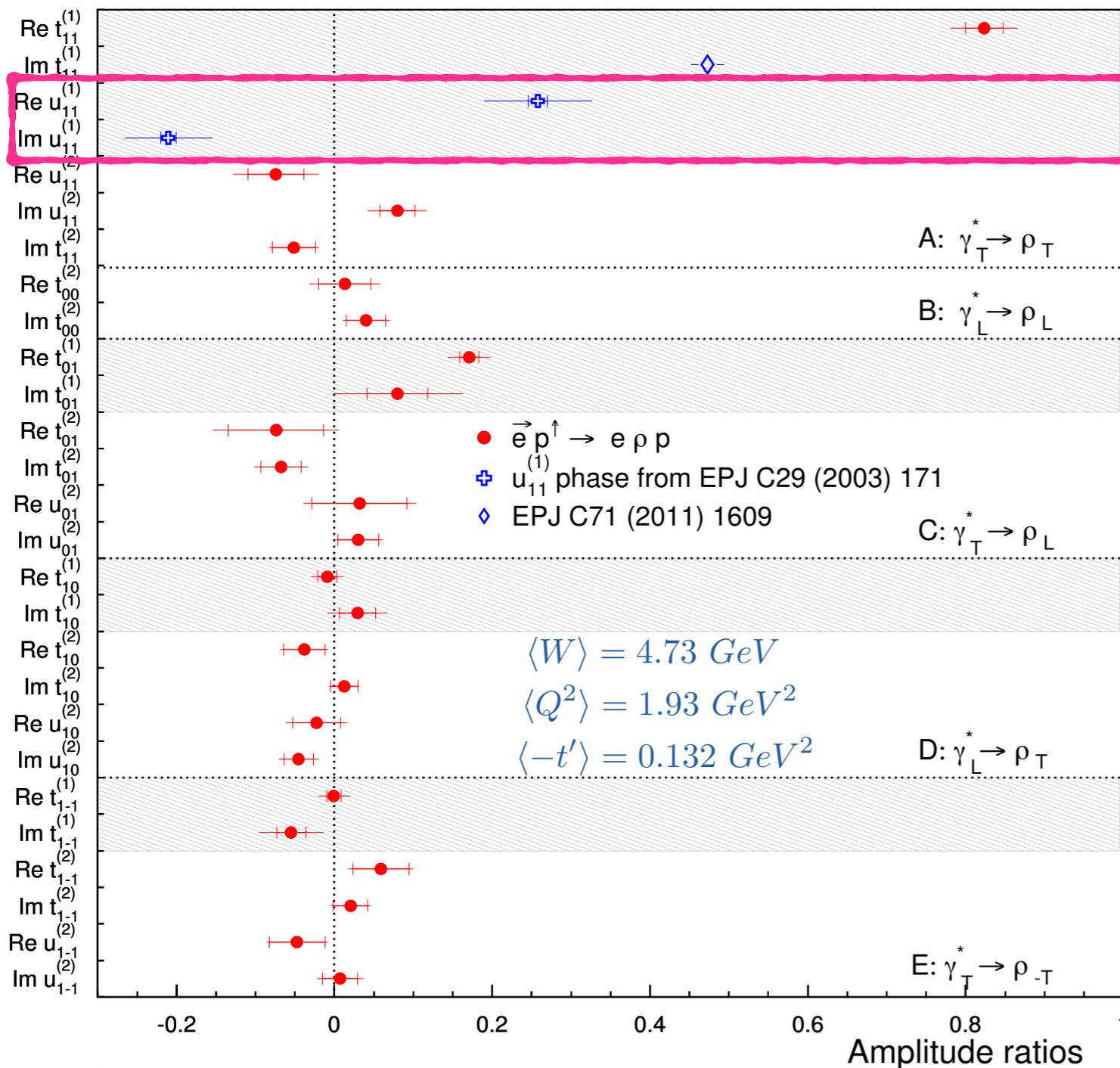
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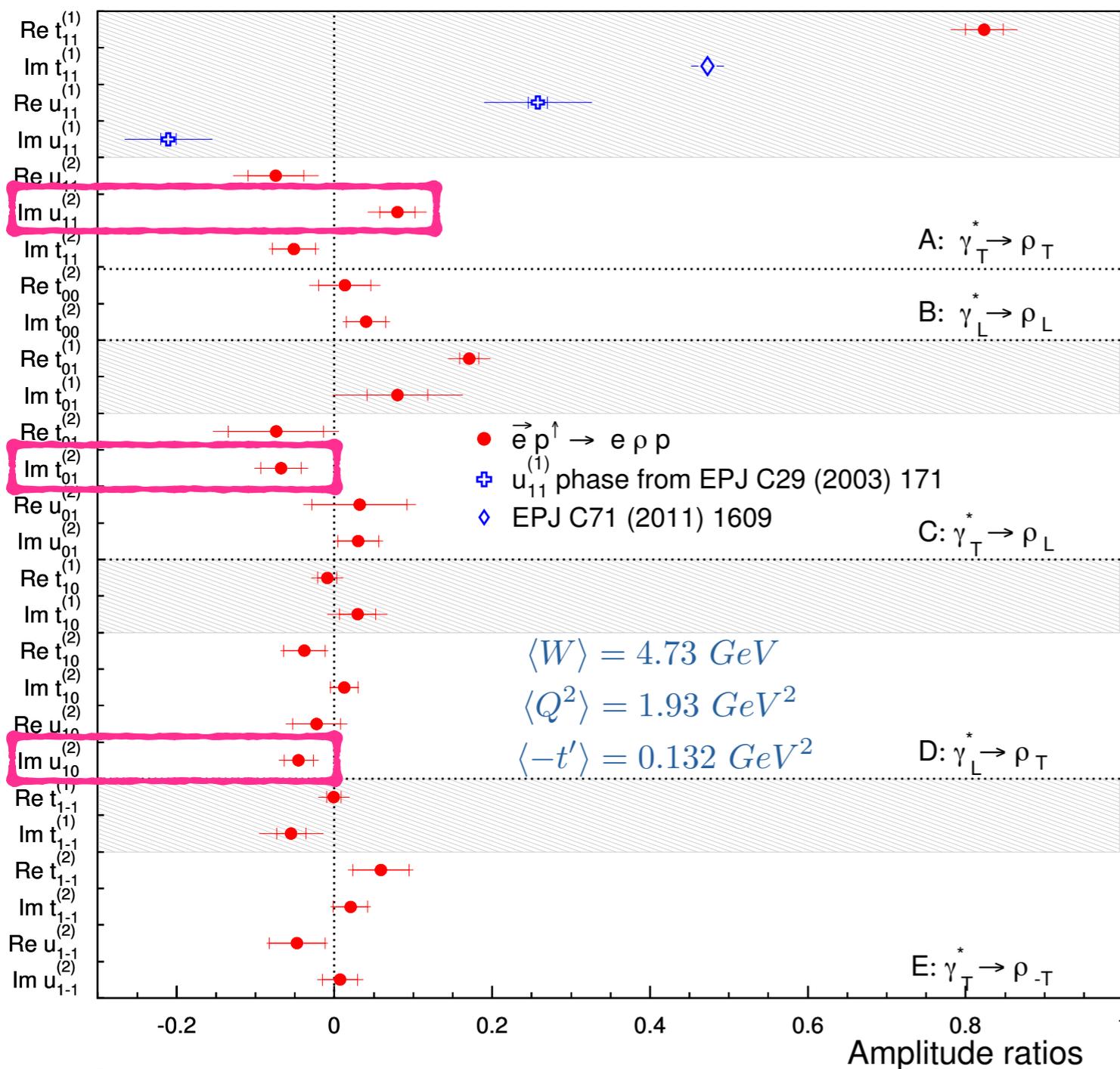
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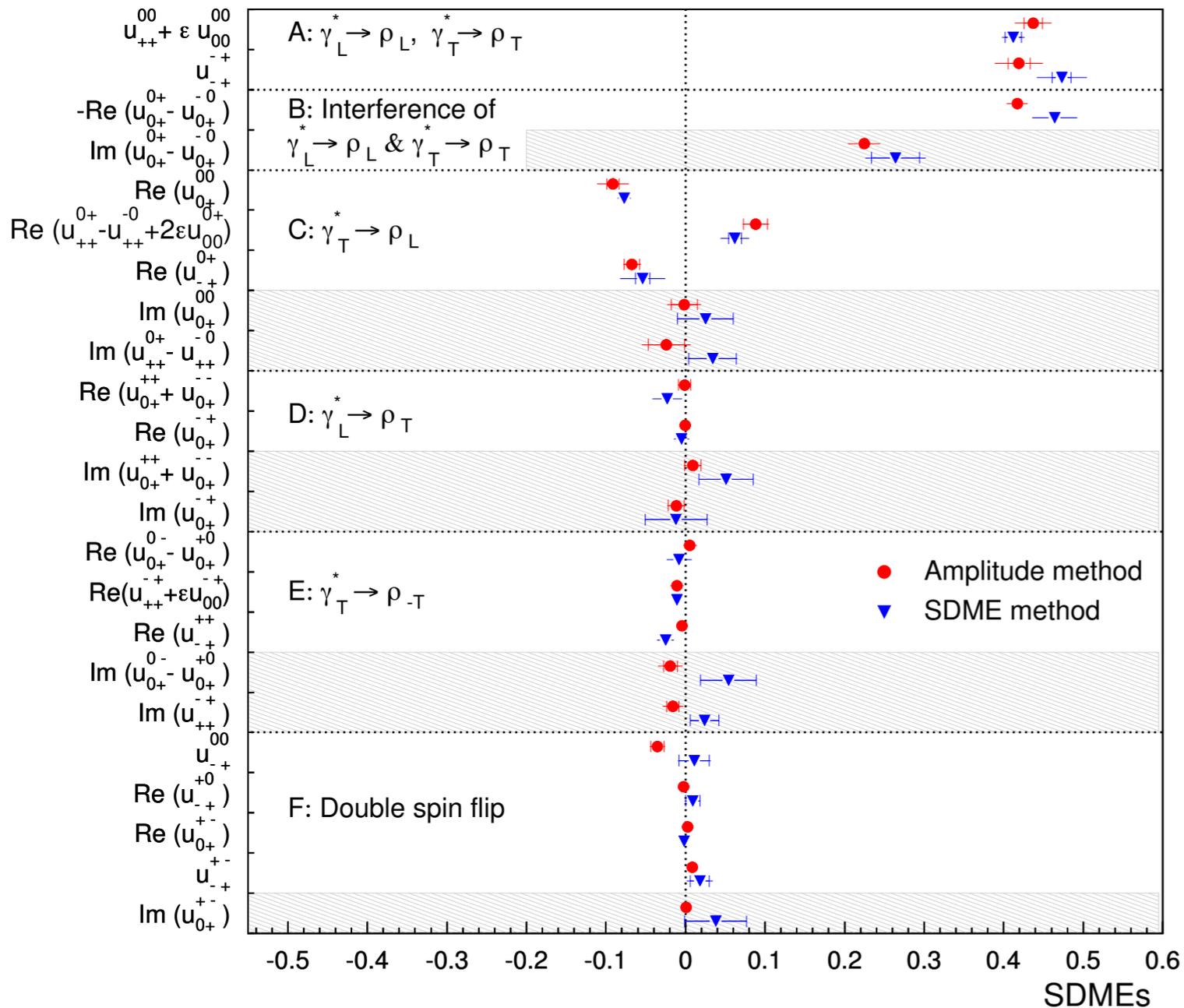
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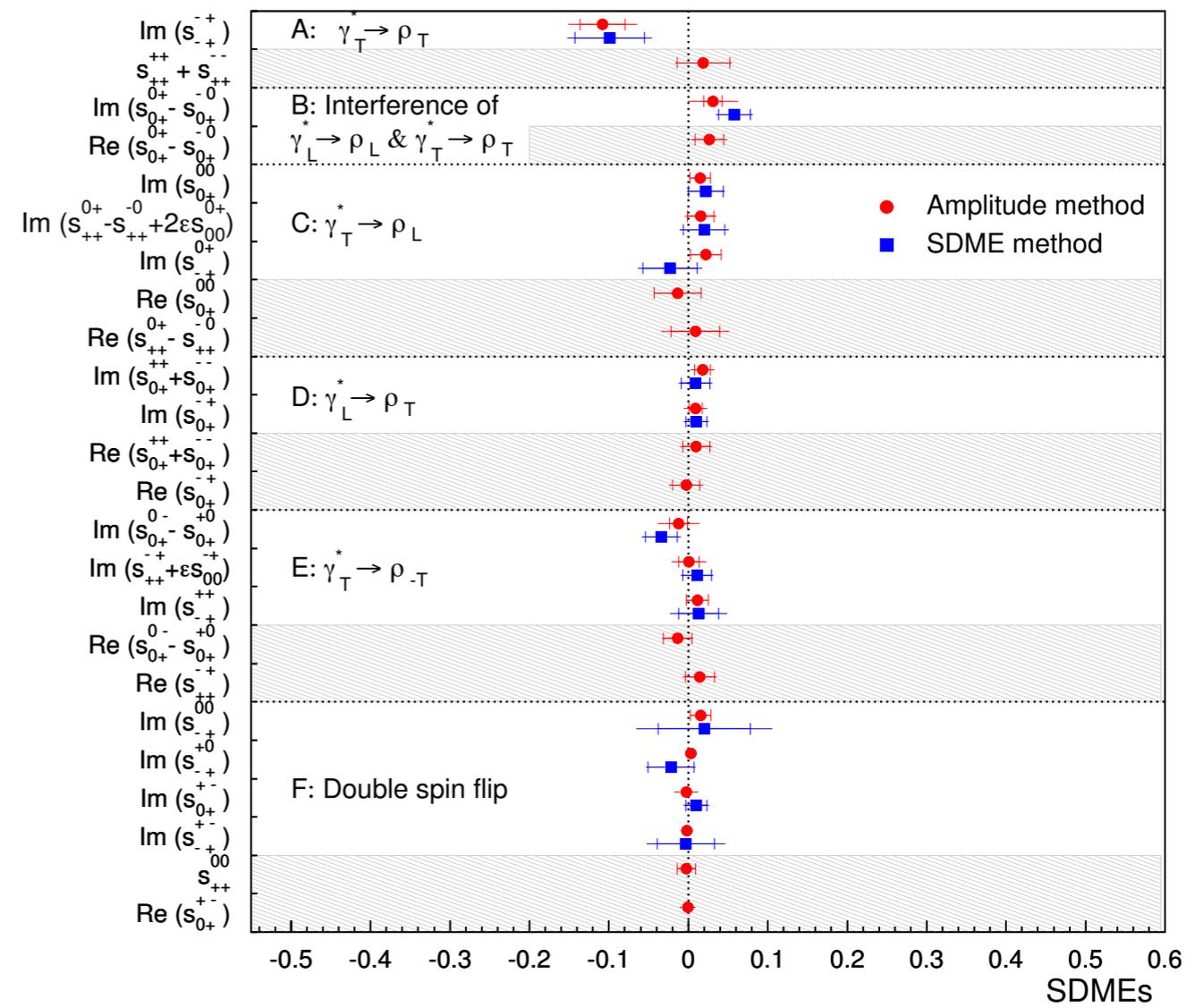
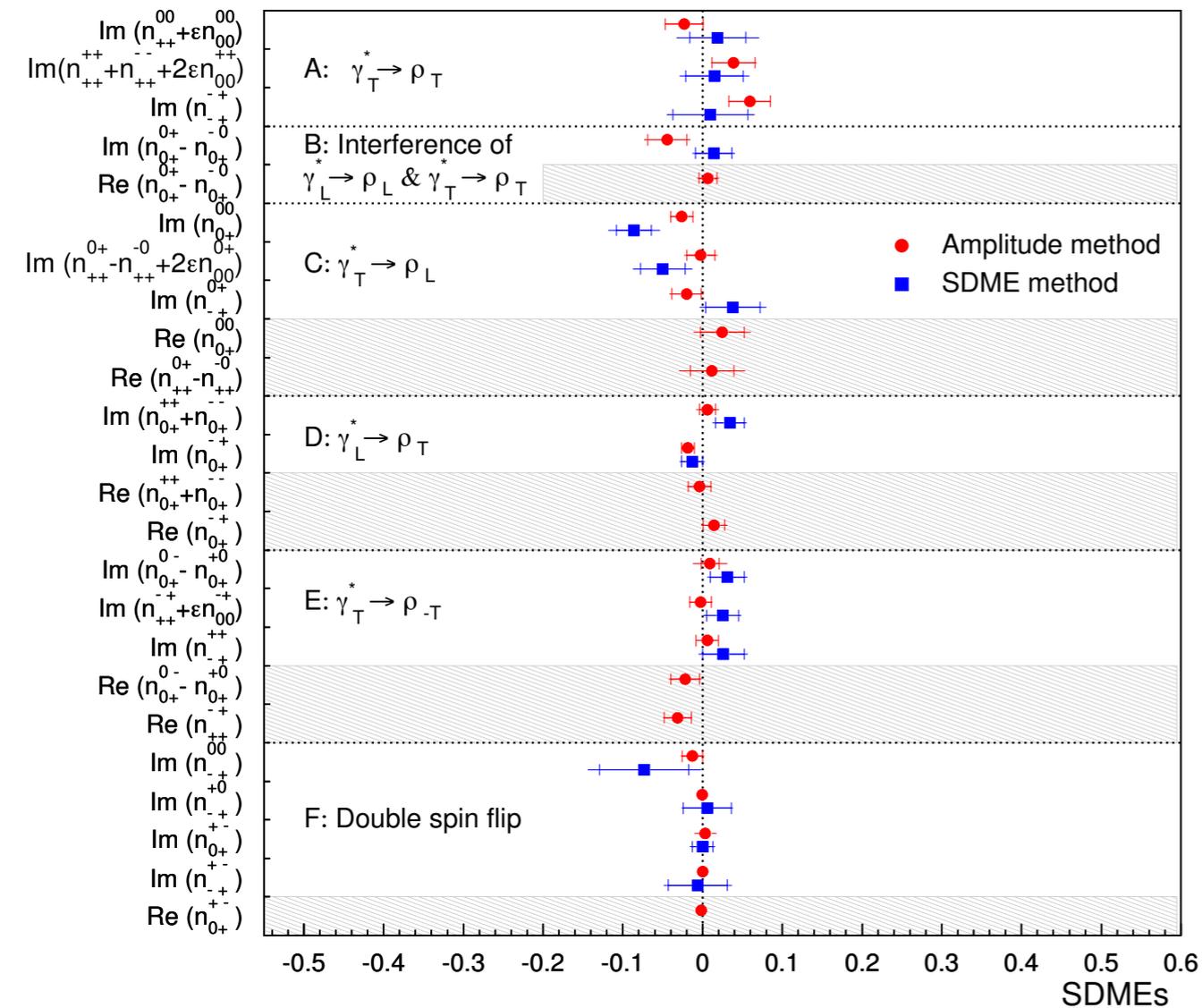
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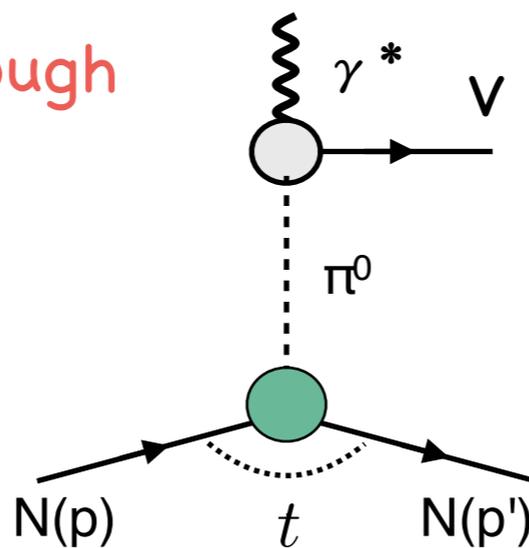
natural parity  
unnatural parity

Factorization only proven for  $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow V_L$

Assumed for  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T, \gamma_L^* \rightarrow V_T$ . Other transitions neglected.

IR singularities regularised by modified perturbative approach.

Pion pole  $\left( \propto \frac{1}{t - m_\pi^2} \right)$  through  
one-particle exchange



$$g_{\gamma^* \pi V}(Q^2, t) \simeq g_{\pi V}(Q^2)$$

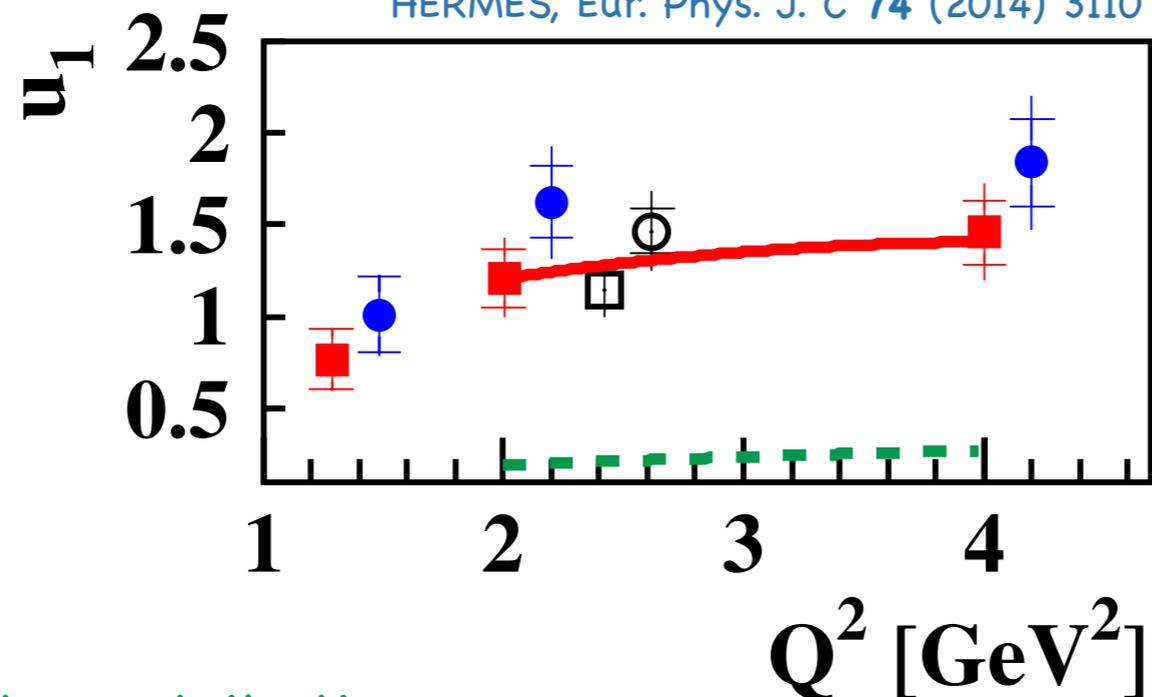
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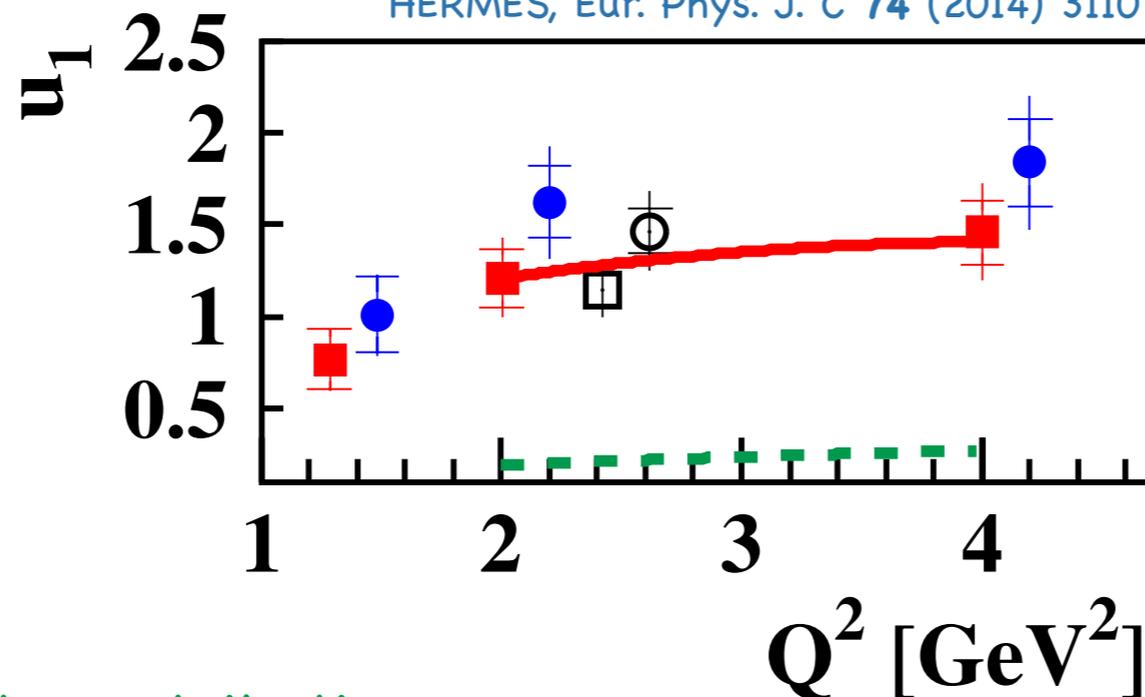
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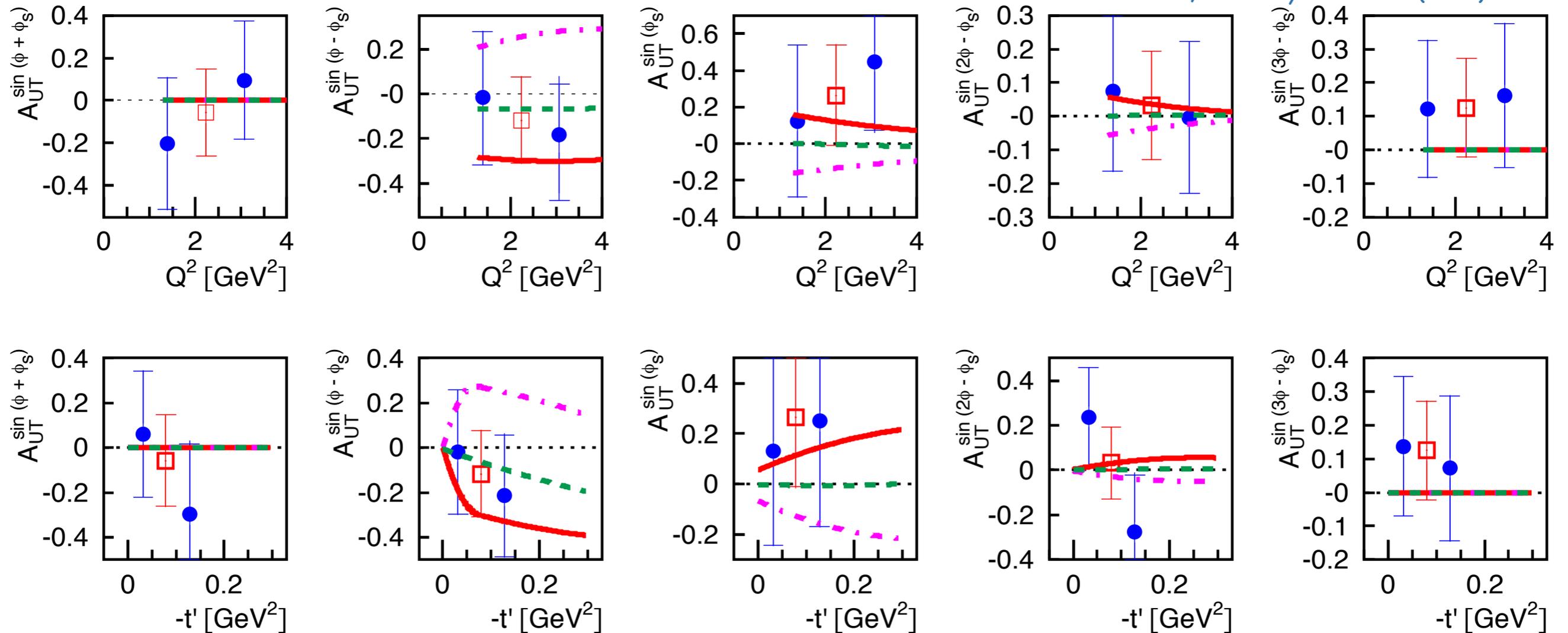
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# Sign of $\pi\omega$ transition form factor

extraction:  $\omega$   $A_{UT}$

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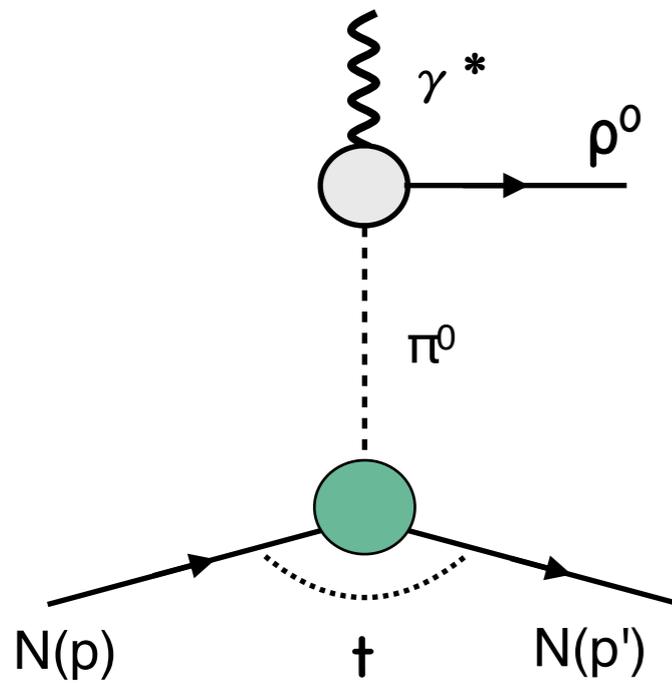
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with pion-pole contribution:  $\pi\omega$  transition FF  $> 0$

with pion-pole contribution:  $\pi\omega$  transition FF  $< 0$

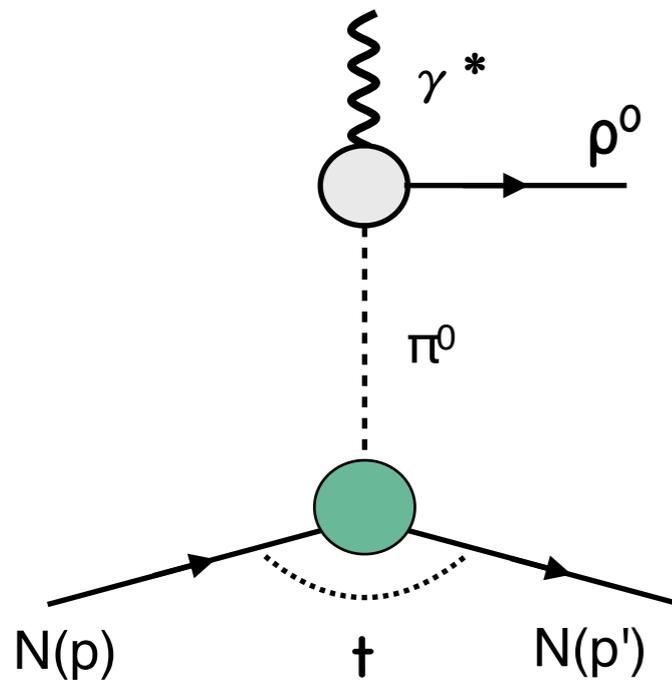
Positive  $\pi\omega$  transition FF favoured

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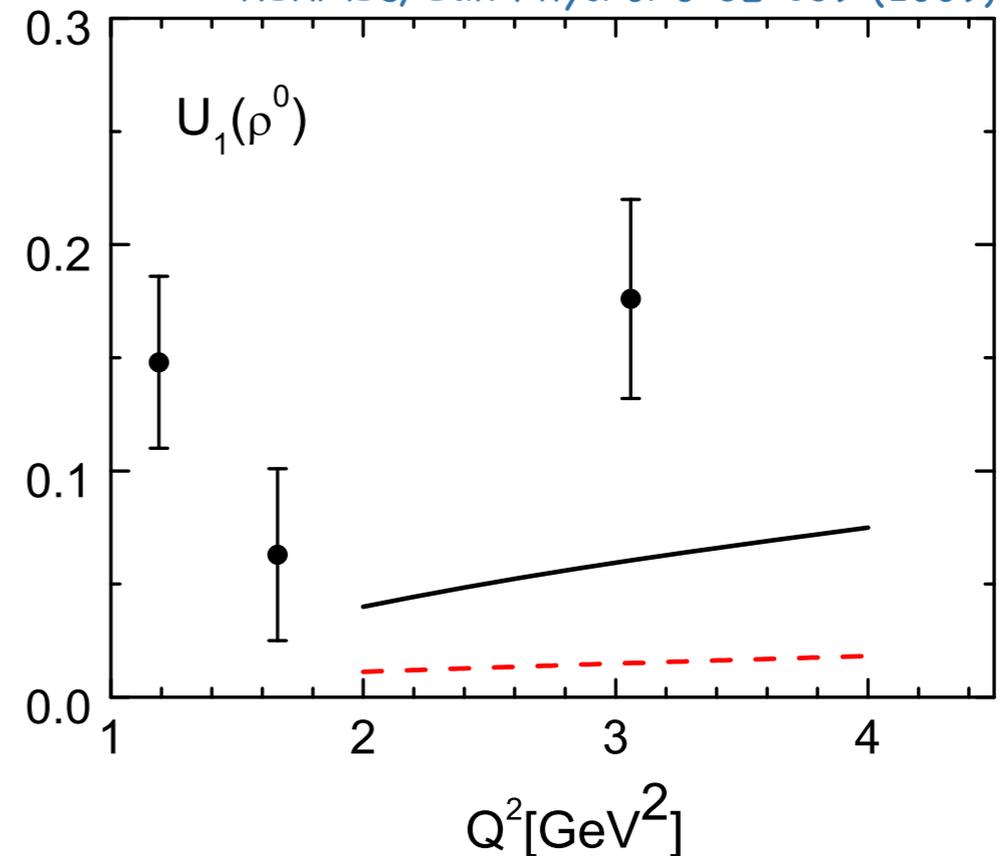
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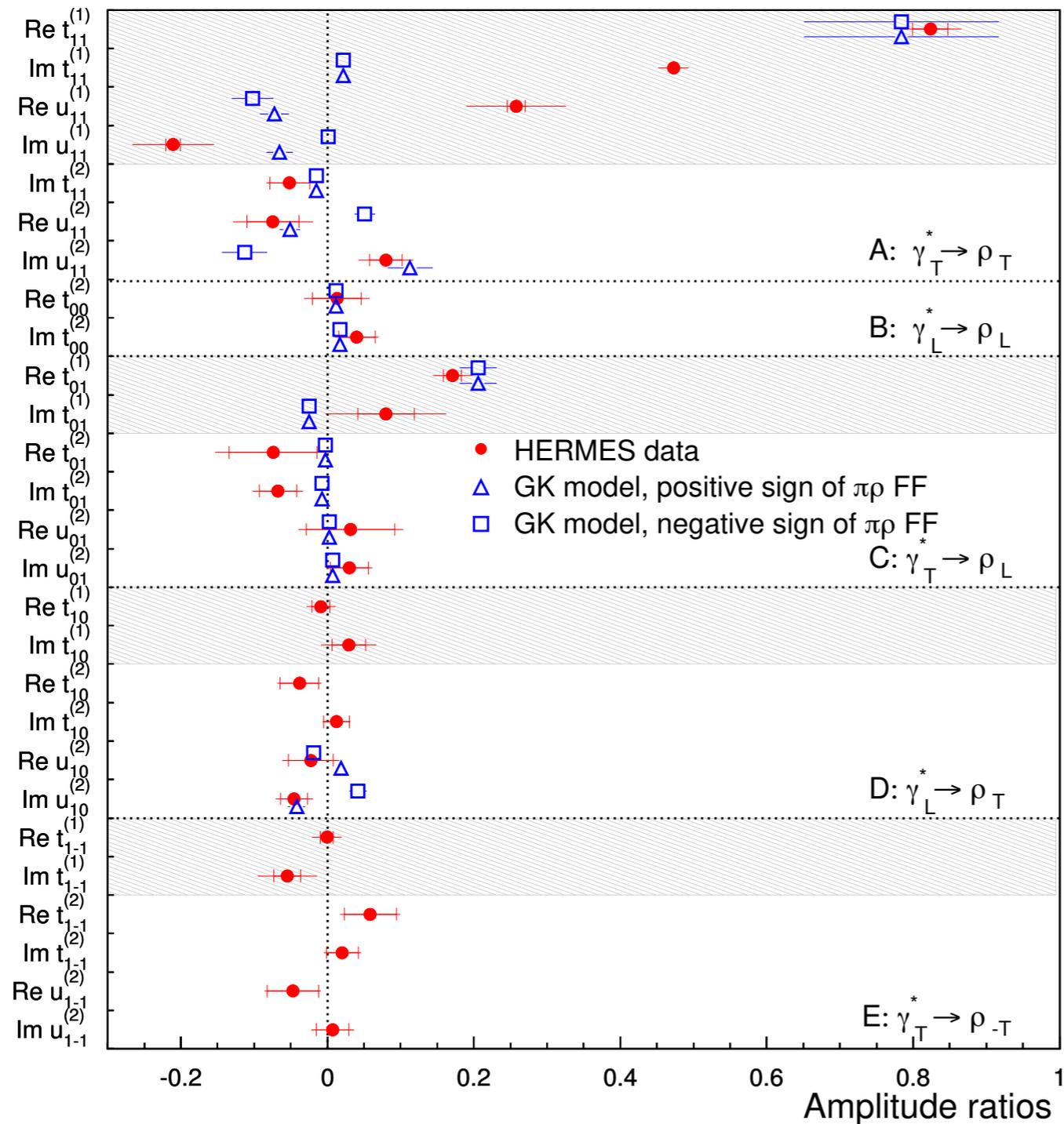
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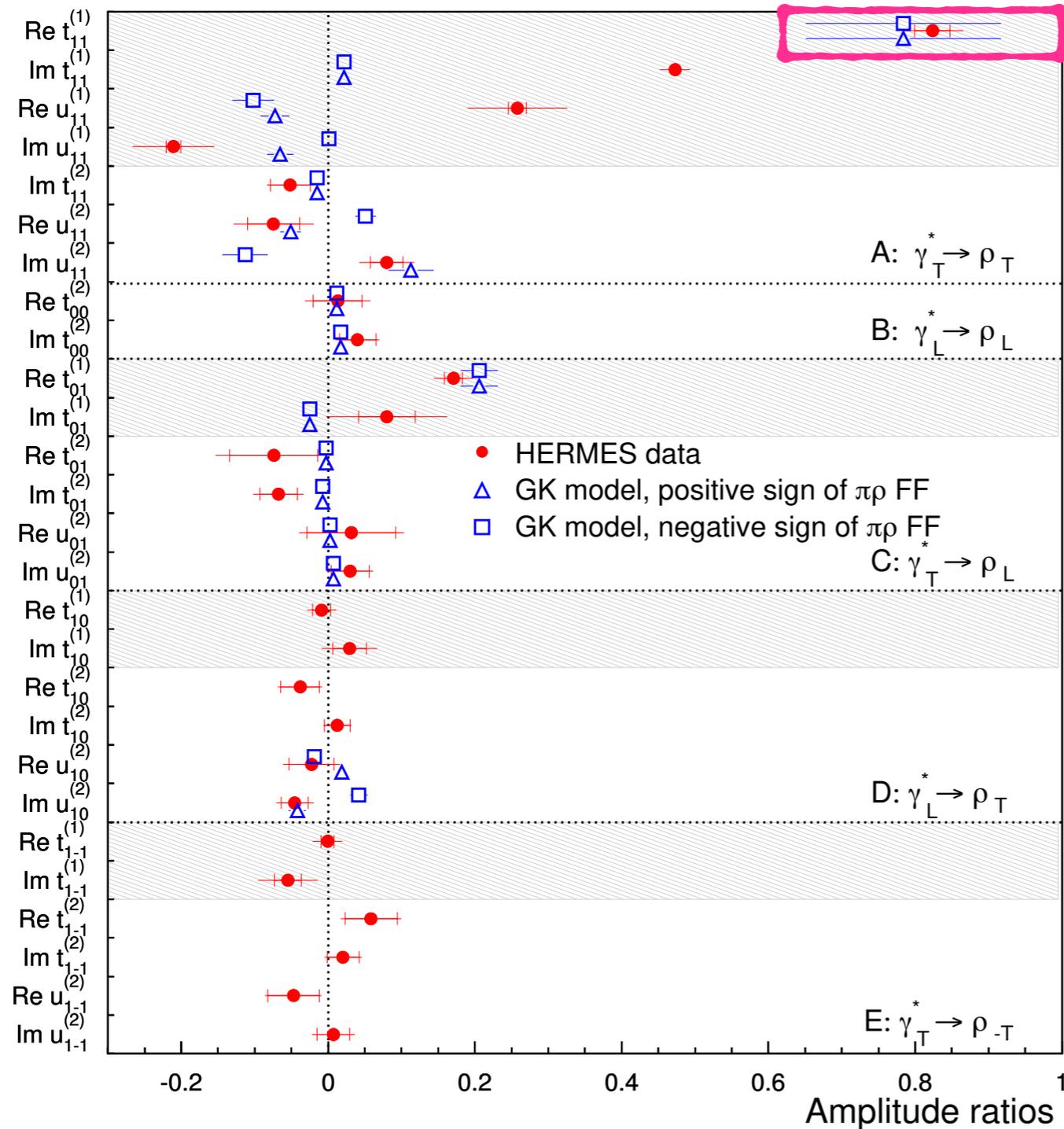
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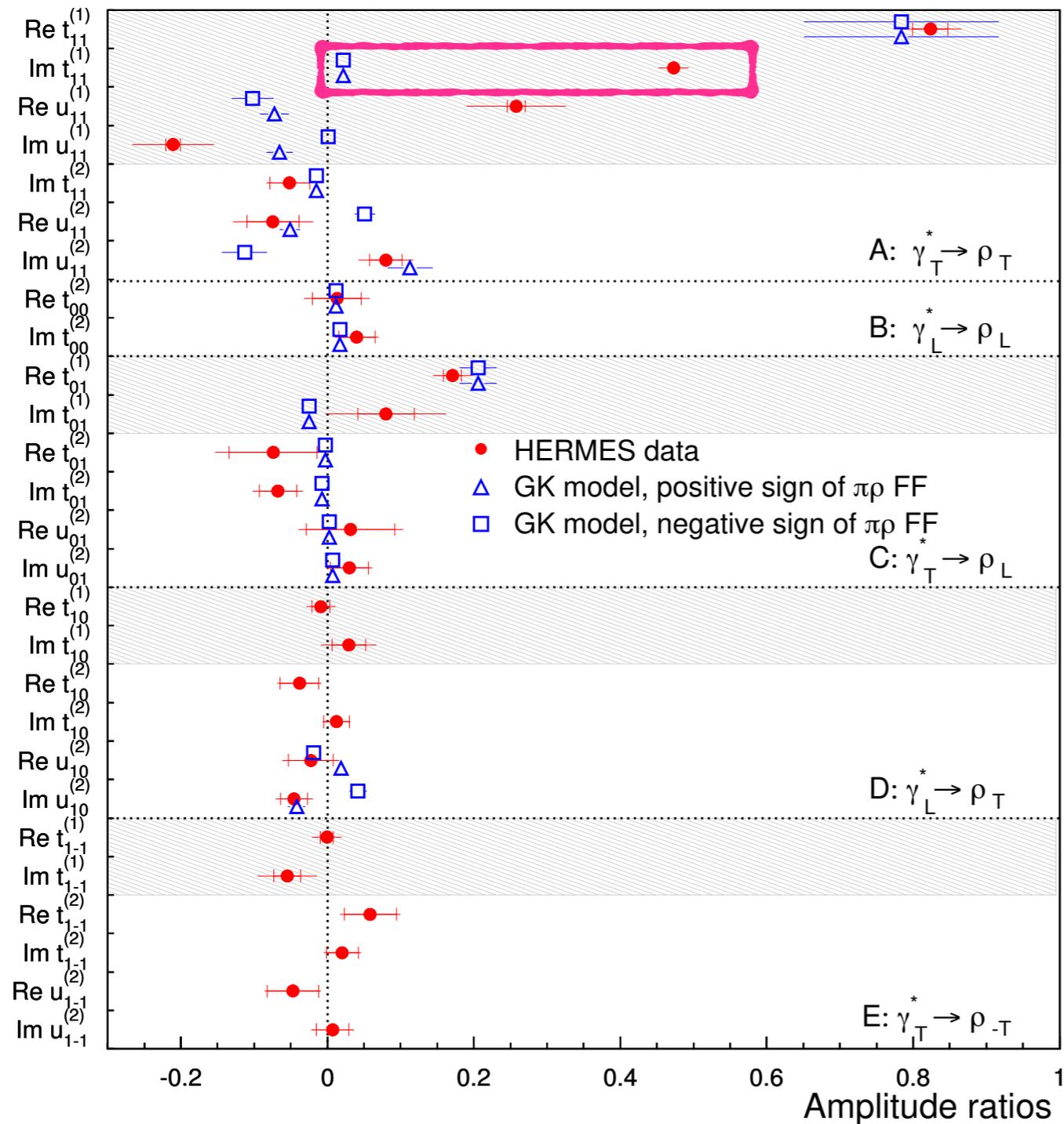
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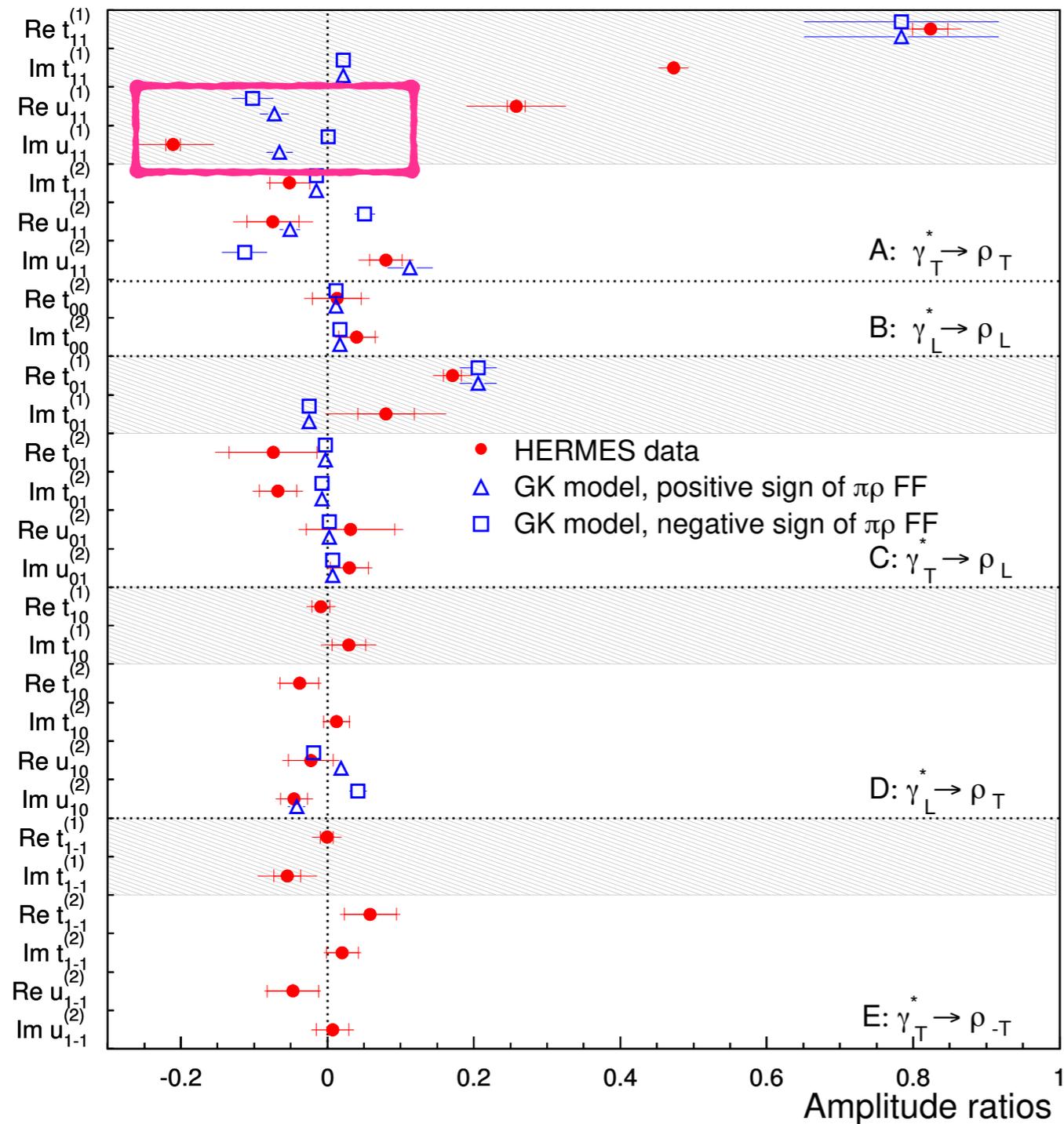
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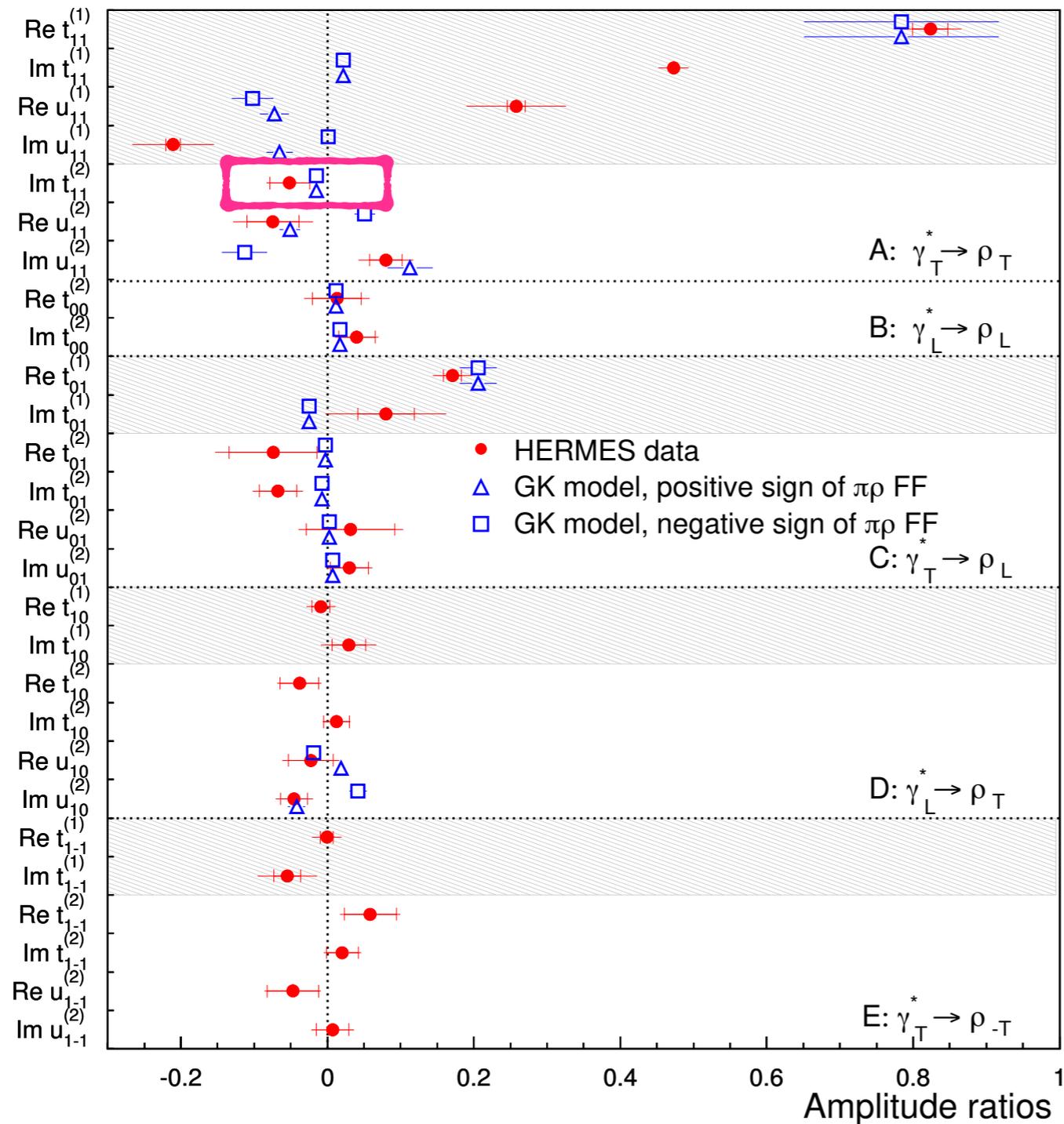
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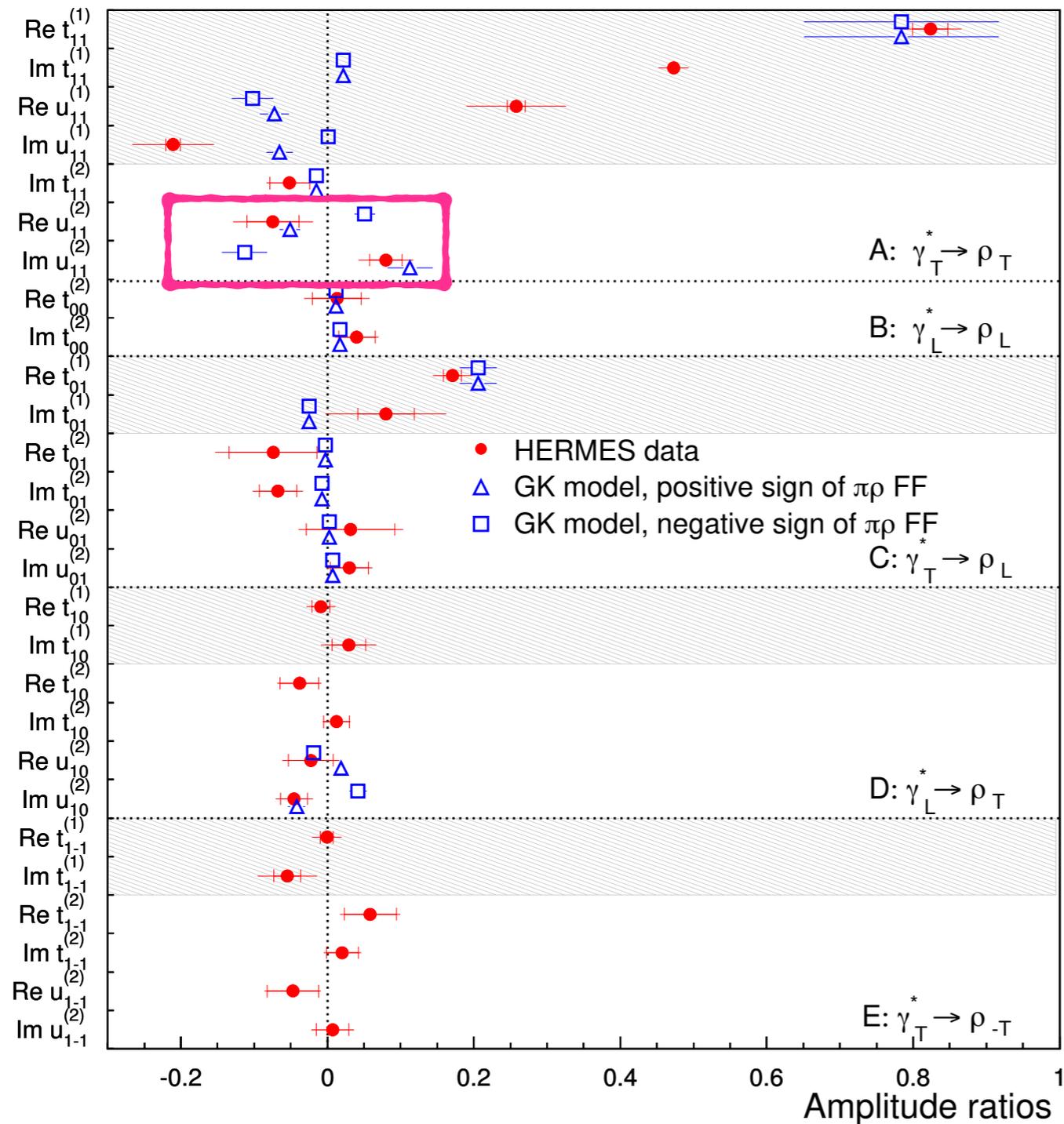
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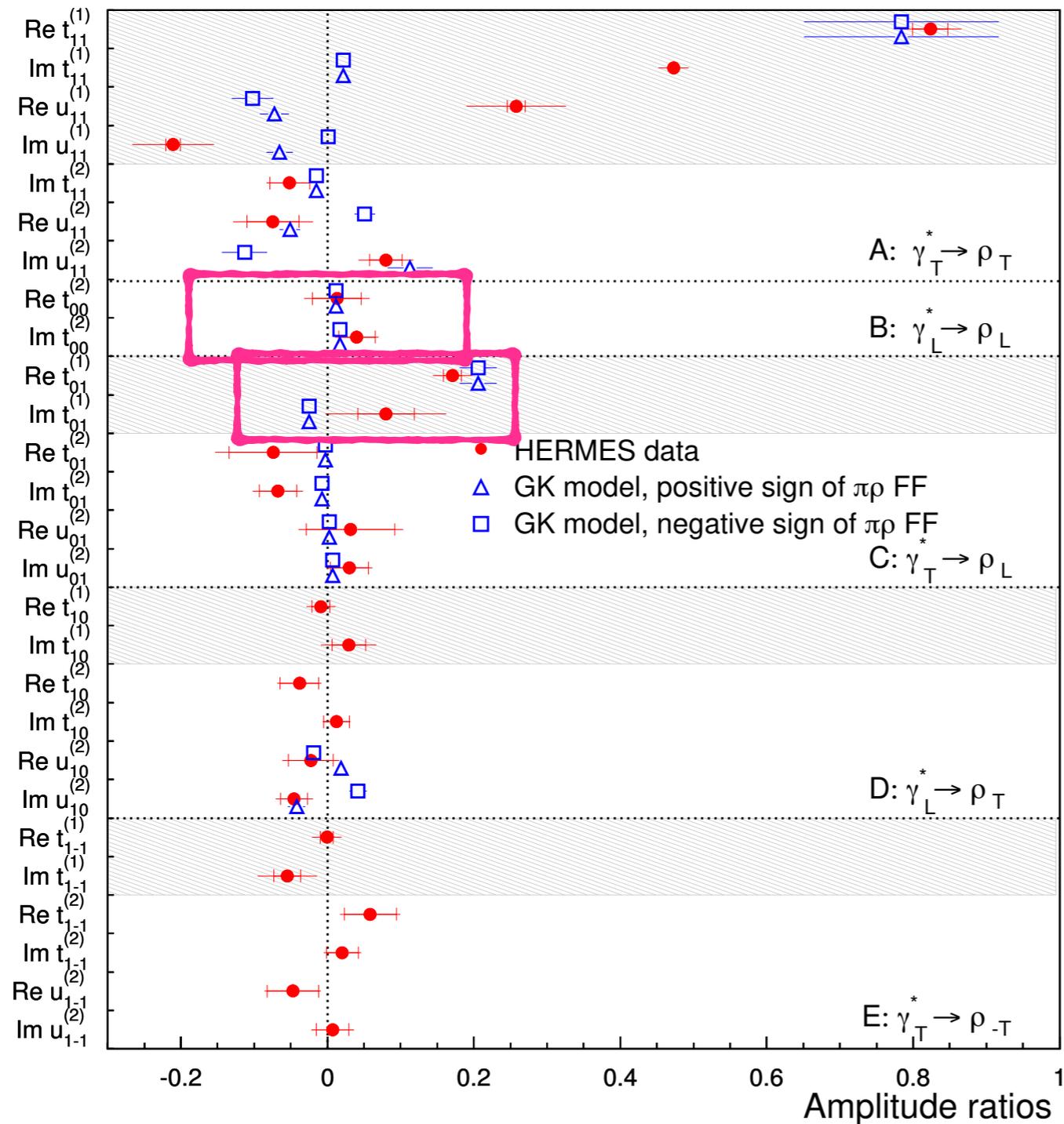
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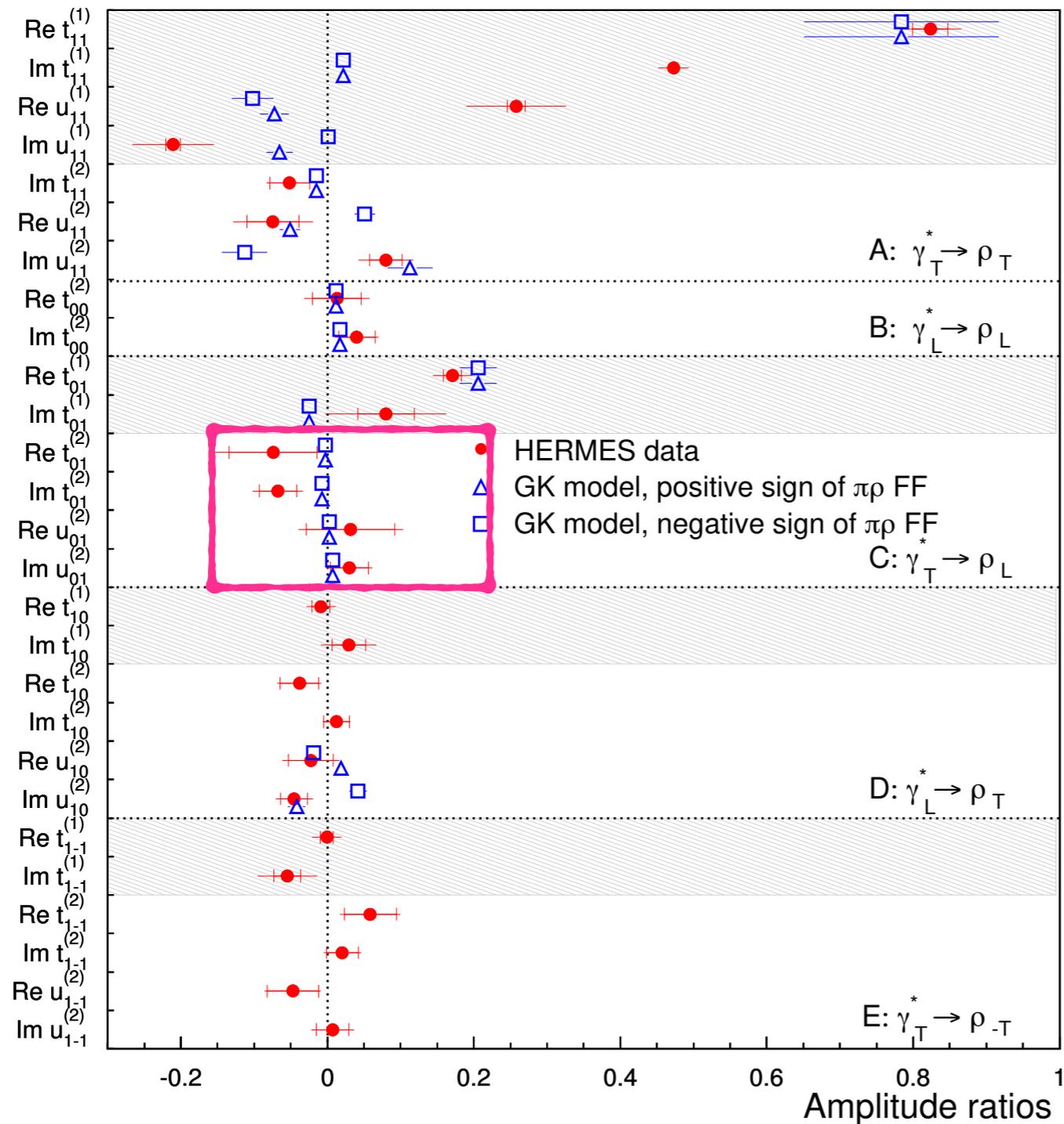
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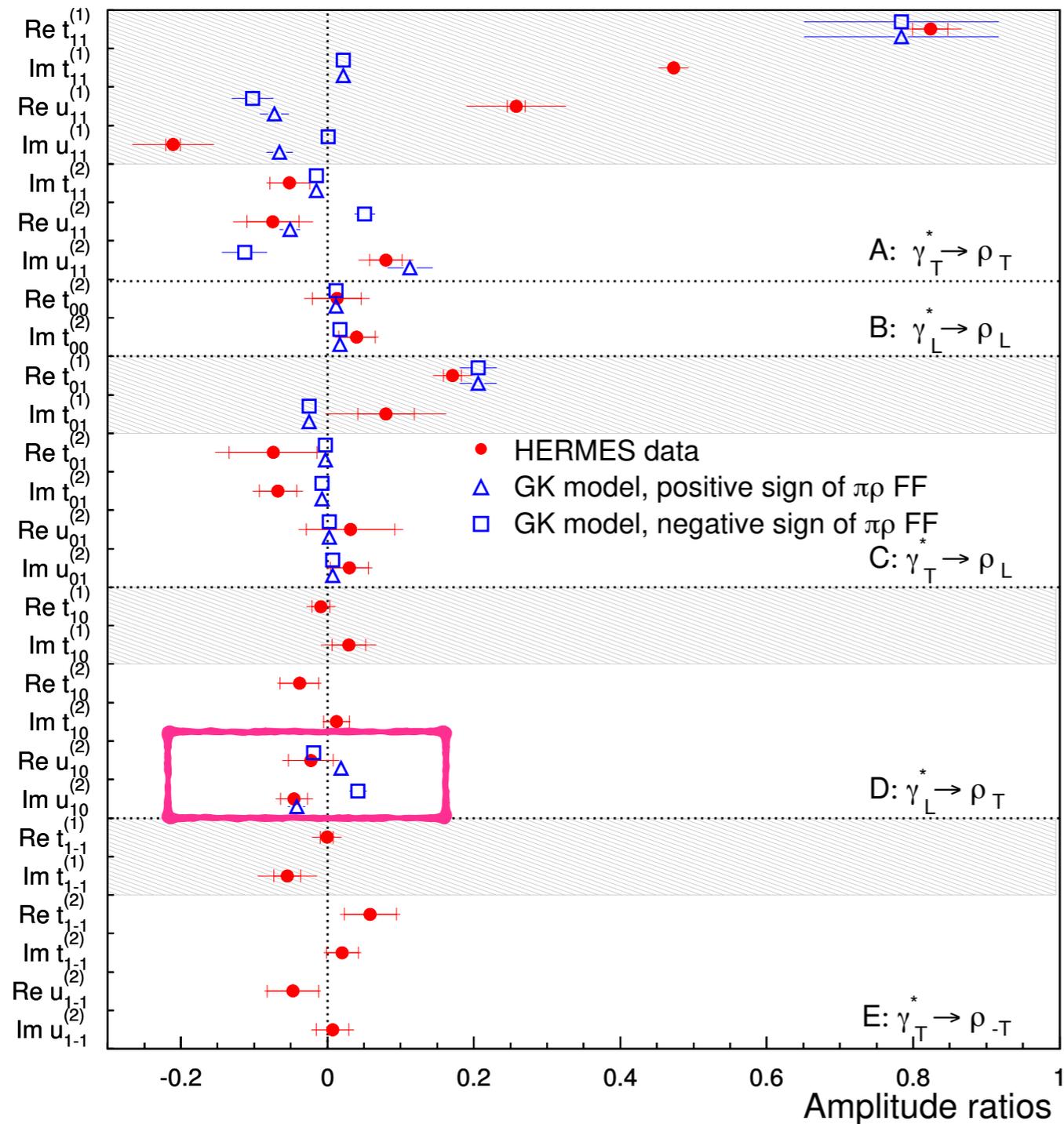
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