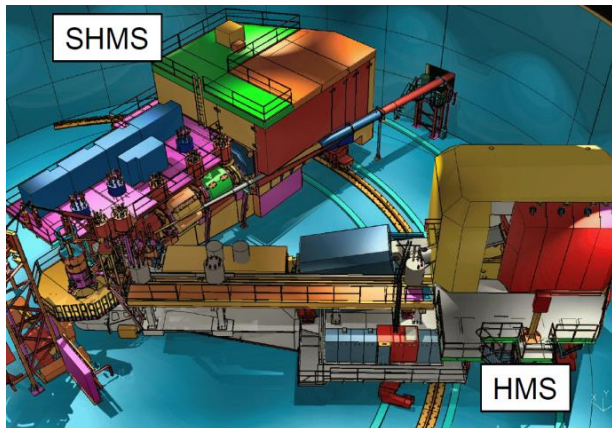
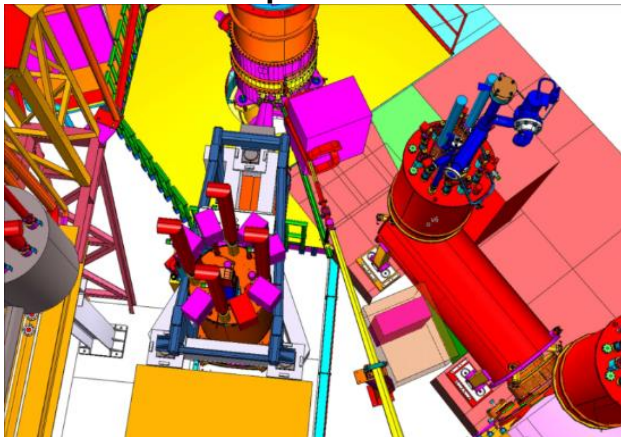


# Flavour Decomposition with Precision Pion and Kaon Cross Sections

Hall C focusing spectrometers



Neutral Particle Spectrometer



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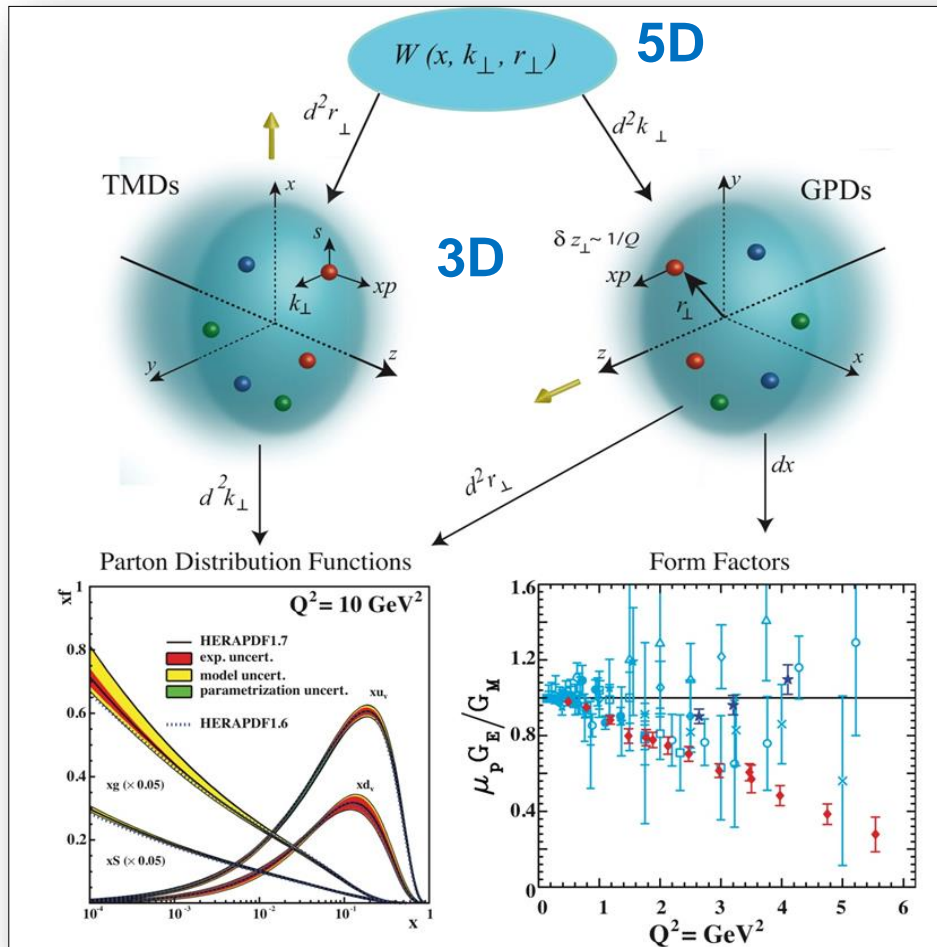


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# The 3D Nucleon Structure

See also WG6 talks by D. Sokhan (GPDs) and A. Puckett, K. Allada, E. Kinney (TMDs)

Generalized Parton and Transverse Momentum Distributions are essential for our understanding of internal hadron structure and the dynamics that bind the most basic elements of Nuclear Physics



- ◆ TMDs
  - Confined motion in a nucleon (semi-inclusive DIS)
- ◆ GPDs
  - Spatial imaging (exclusive DIS)
- ◆ Requires
  - High luminosity
  - Polarised beams and targets

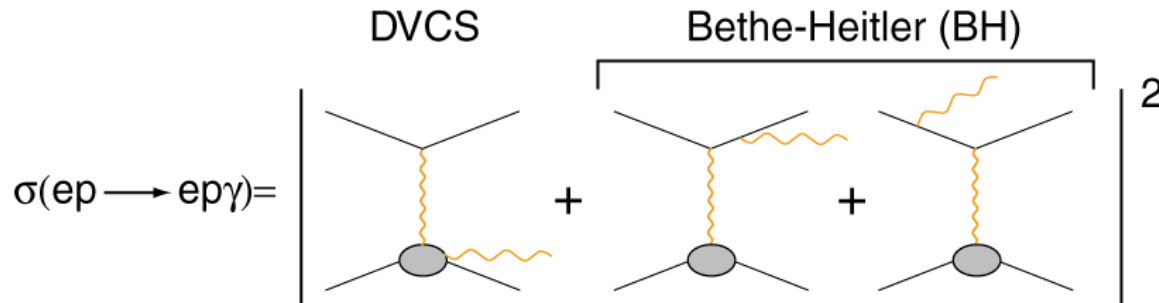


**Major new capability with JLab12**

# Experimental Access to GPDs: DVCS

## Deep Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)

See also talk by C. Munoz-Camacho



DVCS is the cleanest way to probe GPDs

□ As the DVCS process interferes with BH one can access the DVCS amplitudes

At leading twist:

$$\begin{aligned} d^5 \vec{\sigma} - d^5 \overleftarrow{\sigma} &= \Im(T^{BH} \cdot T^{DVCS}) \\ d^5 \vec{\sigma} + d^5 \overleftarrow{\sigma} &= |BH|^2 + \Re(T^{BH} \cdot T^{DVCS}) + |DVCS|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}^{DVCS} &= \int_{-1}^{+1} dx \frac{H(x, \xi, t)}{x - \xi + i\epsilon} + \dots = \\ &\underbrace{\mathcal{P} \int_{-1}^{+1} dx \frac{H(x, \xi, t)}{x - \xi}}_{\text{Access in helicity-independent cross section}} - \underbrace{i\pi H(x = \xi, \xi, t)}_{\text{Access in helicity-dependent cross-section}} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Access in helicity-independent cross section

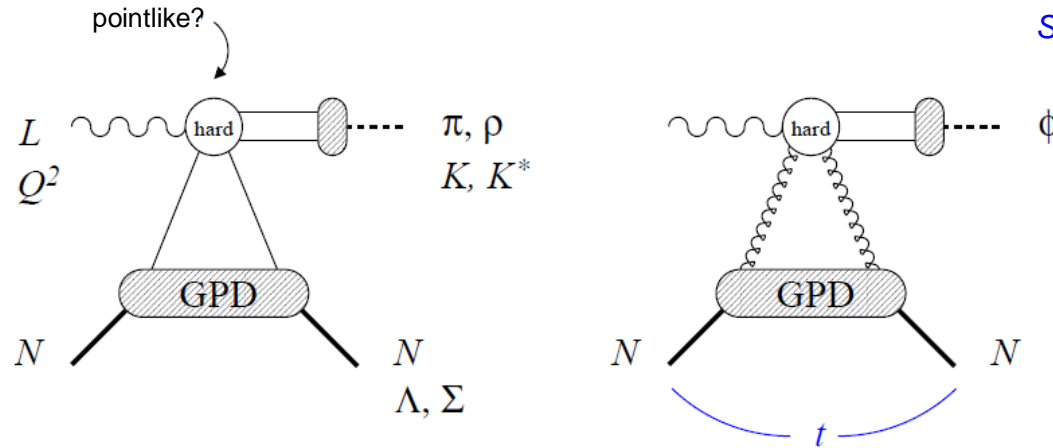
Access in helicity-dependent cross-section

# Towards spin-flavor separation: DVMP

## Deep Virtual Meson Production (DVMP)

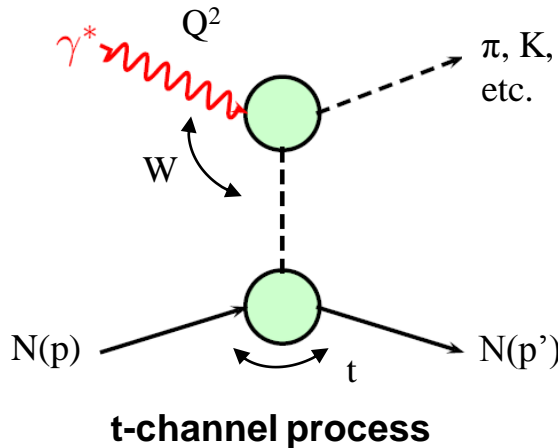
Exclusive Reactions:  $\gamma^* N \rightarrow M + B$

See also talk by C. van Hulse

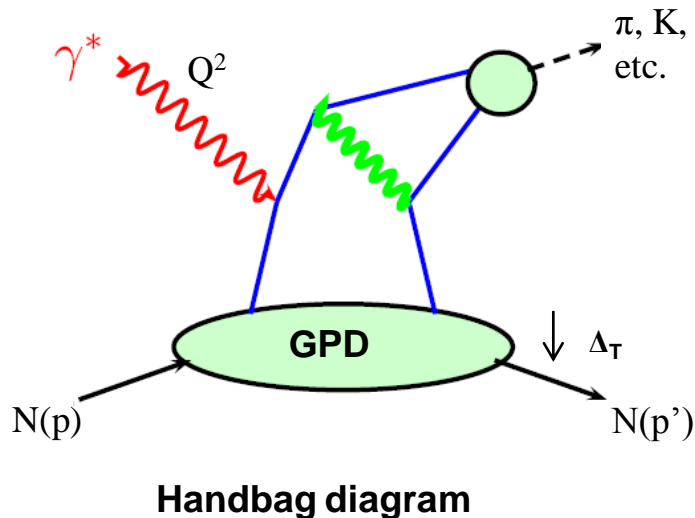


- ❑ Nucleon structure described by 4 (helicity non-flip) GPDs:
  - $H, E$  (unpolarized),  $\tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$  (polarized)
- ❑ Quantum numbers in DVMP probe individual GPD components selectively
  - Vector :  $\rho^0/\rho^+/K^*$  select  $H, E$
  - Pseudoscalar:  $\pi, \eta, K$  select the polarized GPDs,  $\tilde{H}$  and  $\tilde{E}$
- ❑ Need good understanding of reaction mechanism
  - QCD factorisation for mesons
  - Can be verified experimentally through L/T separated cross sections

# QCD Factorisation in DVMP



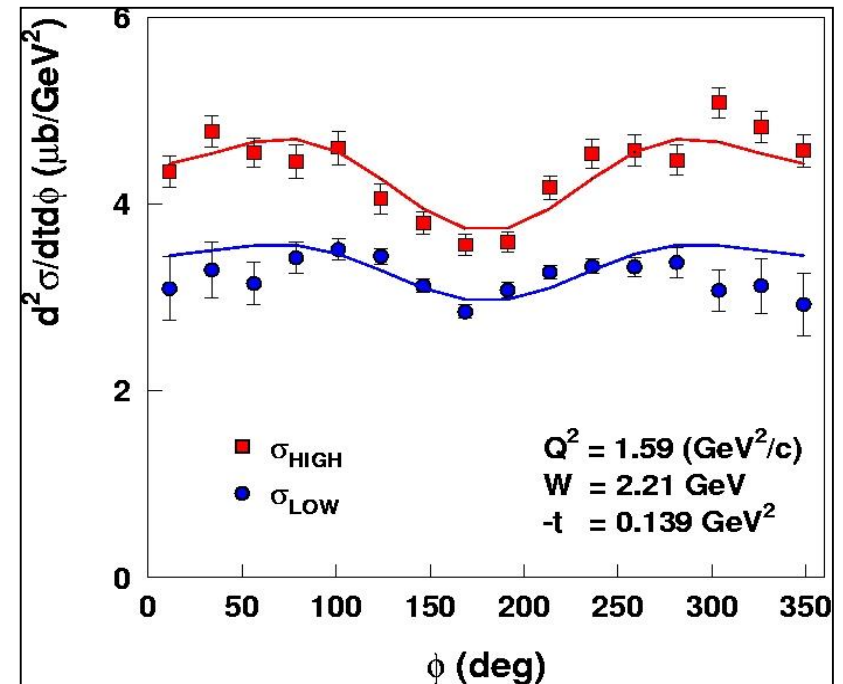
- ❑ In the limit of small  $-t$ , meson production can be described by the  $t$ -channel meson exchange (pole term)
  - Spatial distribution described by form factor



- ❑ At sufficiently high  $Q^2$ , the process should be understandable in terms of the “handbag” diagram – can be verified experimentally
  - The non-perturbative (soft) physics is represented by the GPDs
    - Shown to factorise from QCD perturbative processes for longitudinal photons [Collins, Frankfurt, Strikman, 1997]
  - Factorisation theorem predicts  $\sigma_L$  scales in this regime as  $Q^{-6}$

# Cross Section L/T Separation Example

- ❑  $\sigma_L$  is isolated using the Rosenbluth separation technique
  - Measure the cross section at two beam energies and fixed  $W$ ,  $Q^2$ ,  $-t$
  - Simultaneous fit using the measured azimuthal angle ( $\phi_\pi$ ) allows for extracting  $L$ ,  $T$ ,  $LT$ , and  $TT$
  
- ❑ Careful evaluation of the systematic uncertainties is important due to the  $1/\varepsilon$  amplification in the  $\sigma_L$  extraction
  - Spectrometer acceptance, kinematics, and efficiencies
  
- ❑ Magnetic spectrometers a must for such precision cross section measurements
  - This is only possible in Hall C at JLab



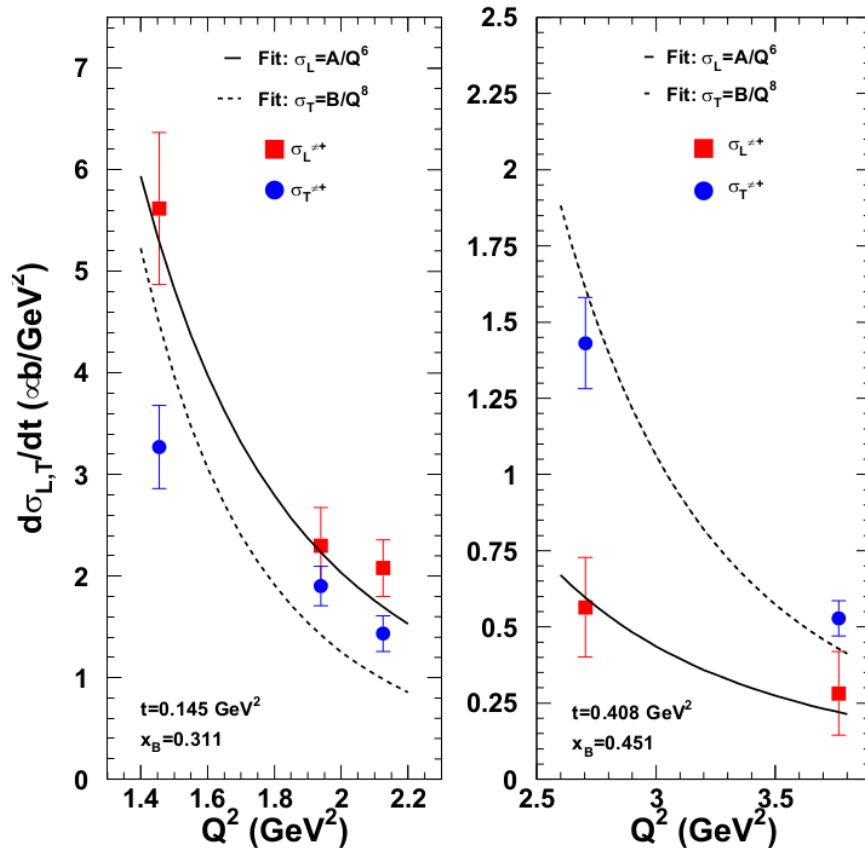
$$2\pi \frac{d^2 \sigma}{dt d \phi} = \varepsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(\varepsilon+1)} \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} \cos \phi + \varepsilon \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \cos 2\phi$$

$\sigma_L$  for testing QCD factorisation

# Relative L/T contribution to the meson cross section

Important for nucleon structure studies

$\pi^+$  data from 6 GeV JLab



[Favart, Guidal, Horn, Kroll, EPJA (2016)]

- Data from JLab 6 GeV demonstrated the technique of measuring the  $Q^2$  dependence of L/T separated cross sections at fixed  $x$  and  $t$

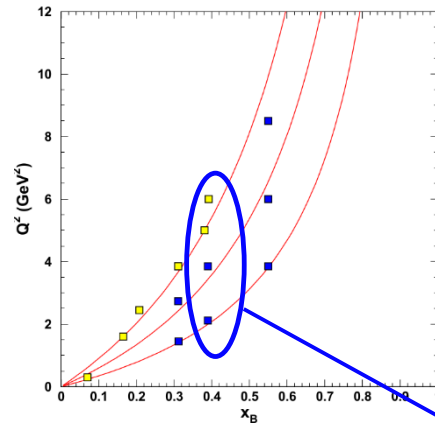
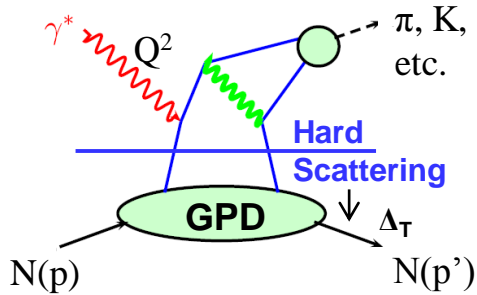
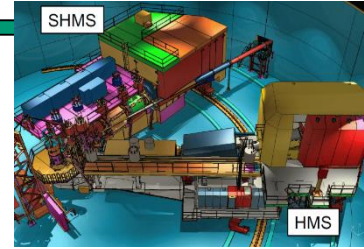
[T. Horn et al., Phys. Rev. C **78**, 058201 (2008)]

- For interpretation of the JLab GPD program need to know:

- Relative contribution of  $\sigma_L$  and  $\sigma_T$
- $t/Q^2$  dependence of  $\sigma_L$  and  $\sigma_T$

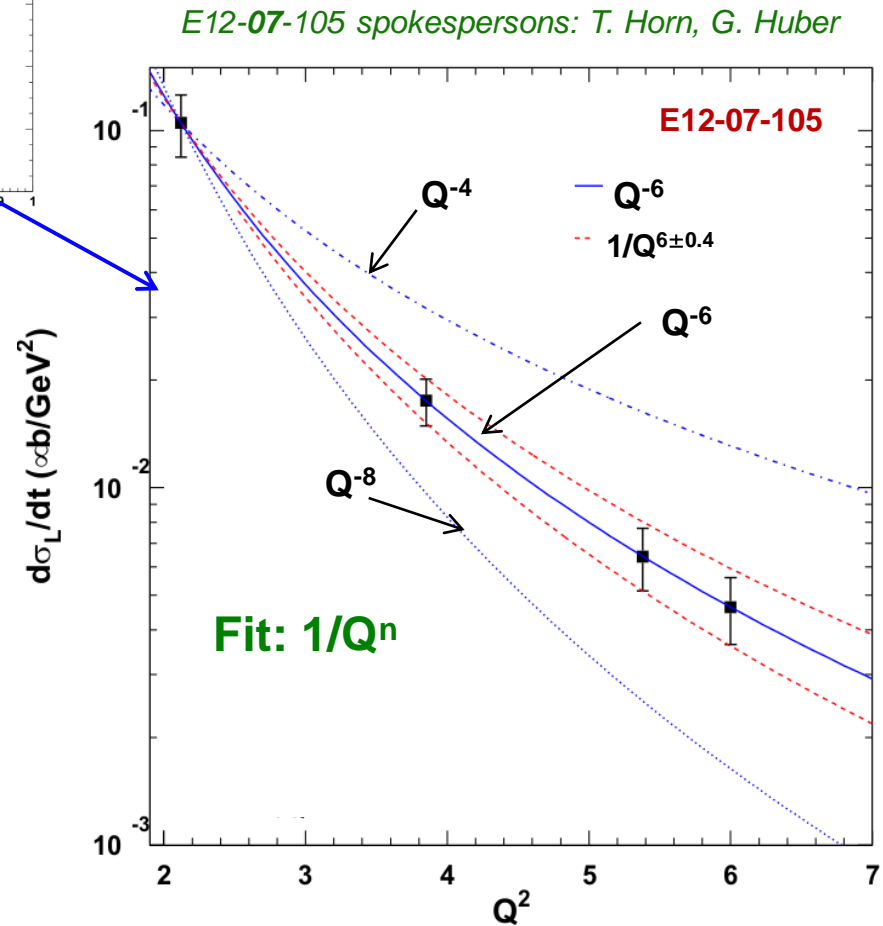


# JLab12: confirming potential for nucleon structure studies with pion production



- **E12-07-105 (P12):** Measure the  $Q^2$  dependence of the  $\pi$  electro production cross section at fixed  $x$  and  $-t$
- Factorisation theorem predicts  $\sigma_L$  scales to leading order as  $Q^{-6}$

$x$	$Q^2$ (GeV <sup>2</sup> )	$W$ (GeV)	$-t$ (GeV/c) <sup>2</sup>
0.3	1.5-2.7	2.0-2.6	0.1
0.4	2.1-6.0	2.0-3.2	0.2
0.5	3.9-8.5	2.0-2.8	0.5





# Transverse Contributions in pion production

- Recent data suggest that transversely polarized photons play an important role in charged and neutral pion electroproduction

- $\pi^+$ :  $\sigma_T$  magnitude is large even at  $Q^2=2.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

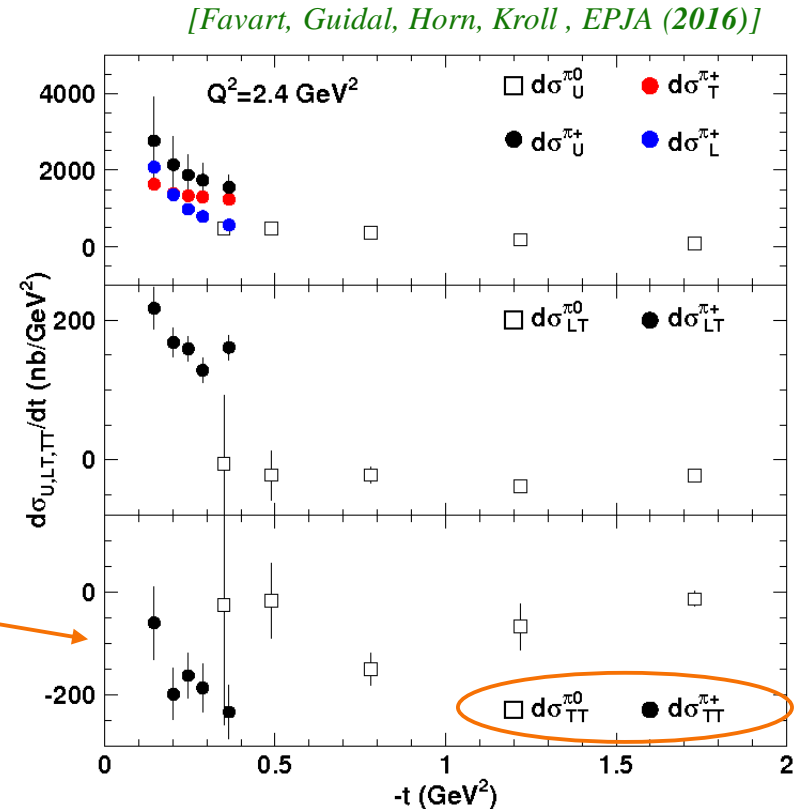
- $\pi^0$ :  $\sigma_T$  is large even at  $Q^2=2 \text{ GeV}^2$

[M. Defurne et al, PRL 117 (2016) no.26, 262001]

See also talk by F. Sabatie

- substantial fraction of  $\sigma_{TT}$  in the *unseparated* cross section for  $t > 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$

[Bedlinskiy et al, PRL 109, (2012) 109; arXiv:1405.0988 (2014)]



Measurements of relative  $\sigma_L$  and  $\sigma_T$  contributions to the  $\pi$  cross section to higher  $Q^2$  planned for JLab 12 may shed light on this

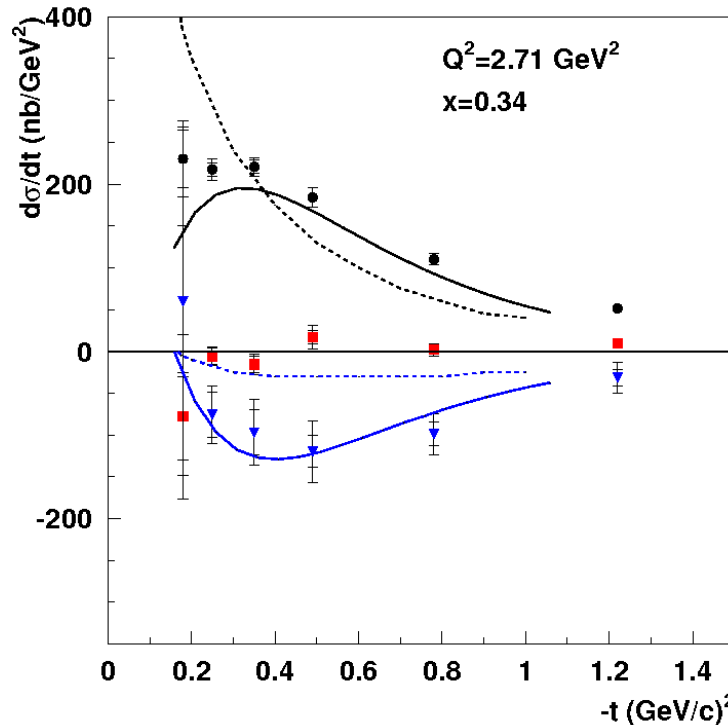
- Exclusive  $\pi^0$  data may also be helpful for constraining non-pole contributions in  $F_\pi$  extraction

E12-07-105 spokespersons: T. Horn, G. Huber

E12-13-010 spokespersons: C. Munoz-Camacho, T. Horn, C. Hyde, R. Paremuzyan, J. Roche; E12-06-101: K. Joo et al.

# Transverse Contributions may allow for probing a new set of GPDs

[Favart, Guidal, Horn, Kroll, EPJA (2016)]



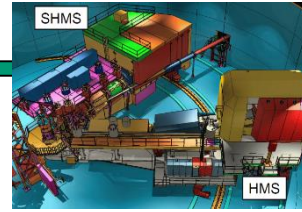
Goloskokov, Kroll, EPJ C65, 137 (2010); EPJ A45, 112 (2011)

[Ahmad, Goldstein, Liuti, PRD 79 (2009)]

[Goldstein, Gonzalez Hernandez, Liuti, J. Phys. G 39 (2012) 115001]

- ❑ To access transversity GPDs need transverse photons to dominate
  - Separated precision charged pion data confirmed a large contribution of transverse photons up to  $Q^2=2.45 \text{ GeV}^2$
  - Model predictions based on handbag in good agreement with data
- ❑ For pion and kaon production the relative contribution of longitudinal and transverse photons in JLab 12 GeV kinematics has to be verified
- ❑ A large transverse cross section in meson production may allow for accessing helicity flip GPDs

# JLab12: confirming potential for nucleon structure studies with kaon production



- ❑ **E12-09-011:** Separated L/T/LT/TT cross section over a wide range of  $Q^2$  and  $t$

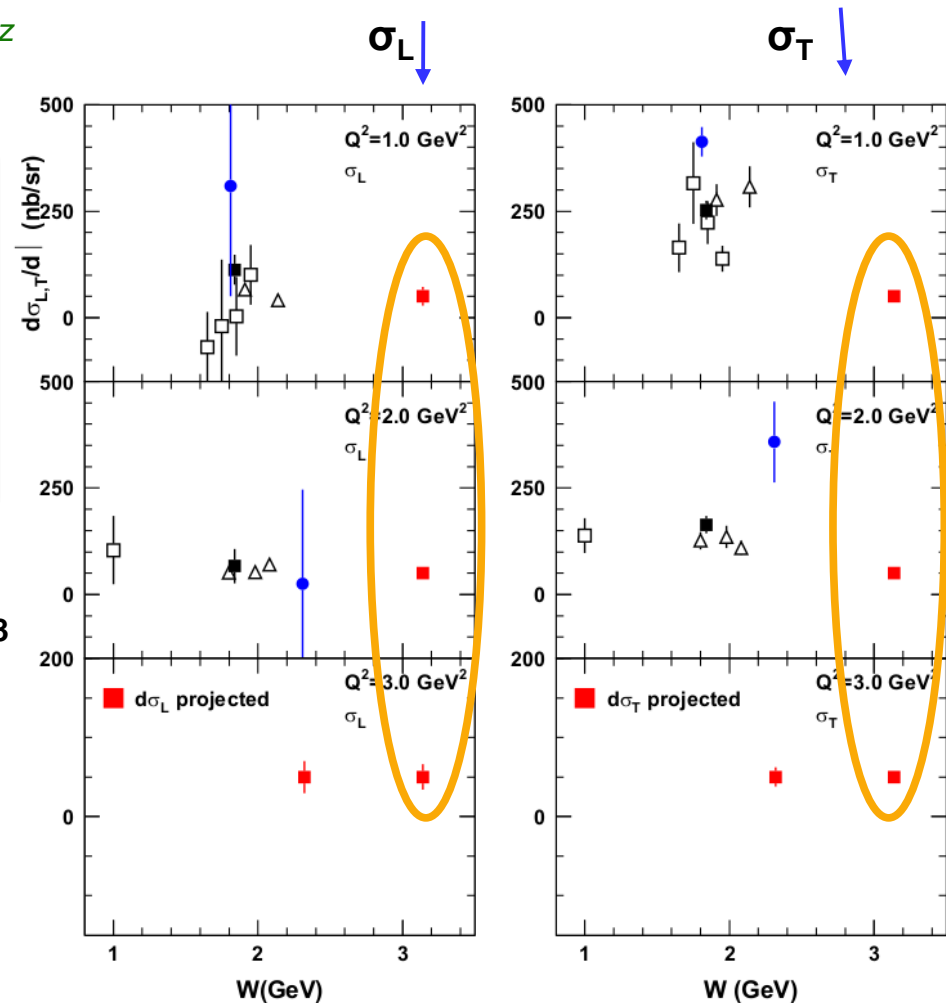
*E12-09-011 spokespersons: T. Horn, G. Huber, P. Markowitz*

## JLab 12 GeV Kaon Program features:

- First cross section data for  $Q^2$  scaling tests with kaons
- Highest  $Q^2$  for L/T separated kaon electroproduction cross section
- First separated kaon cross section measurement above  $W=2.2$  GeV

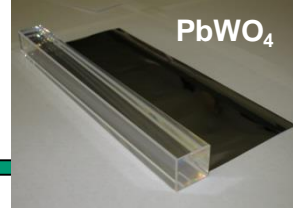
approved for 40 PAC days and **scheduled to run in 2017/18**

x	$Q^2$ (GeV <sup>2</sup> )	W (GeV)	-t (GeV/c) <sup>2</sup>
0.1-0.2	0.4-3.0	2.5-3.1	0.06-0.2
0.25	1.7-3.5	2.5-3.4	0.2
0.40	3.0-5.5	2.3-3.0	0.5



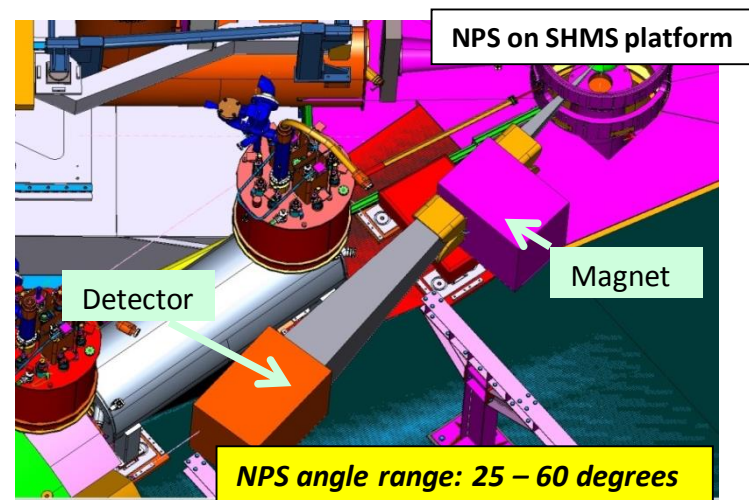
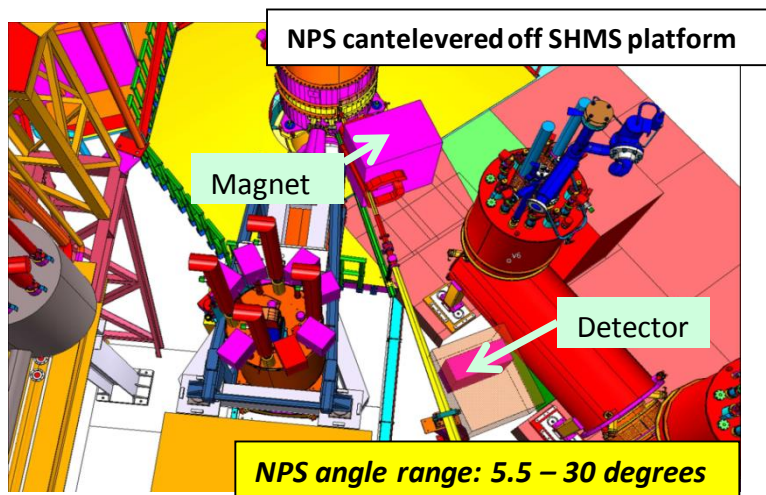
*[blue points from M. Carmignotto, PhD thesis (2017)]*

# The Neutral-Particle Spectrometer



NSF MRI PHY-1530874

- The NPS is envisioned as a facility in Hall C, utilizing the well-understood HMS and the SHMS infrastructure, to allow for precision (coincidence) cross section measurements of neutral particles ( $\gamma$  and  $\pi^0$ ).

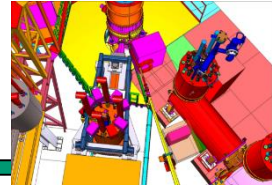


- Scientific program: 5 experiments approved by PAC to date

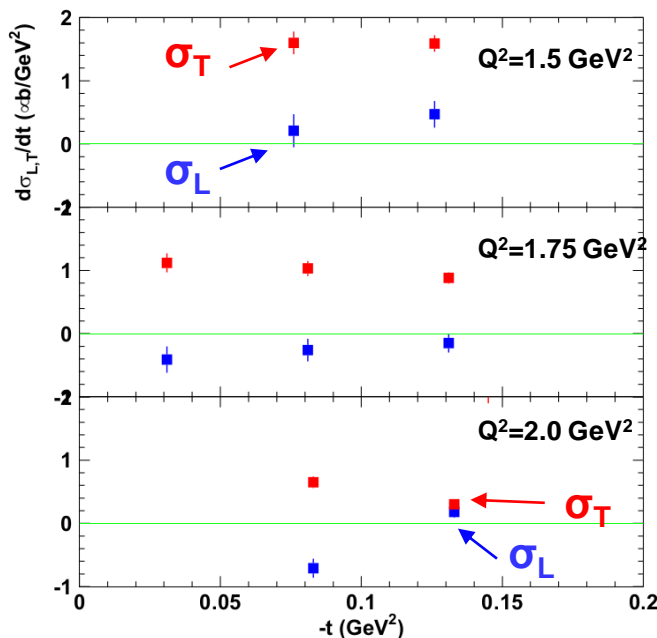
*See also talk by E. Kinney*

- E12-13-007: Measurement of Semi-inclusive  $\pi^0$  production as Validation of Factorization
- E12-13-010 – Exclusive Deeply Virtual Compton and  $\pi^0$  Cross Section Measurements in Hall C
- E12-14-003 – Wide-angle Compton Scattering at 8 and 10 GeV Photon Energies
- E12-14-005 – Wide Angle Exclusive Photoproduction of  $\pi^0$  Mesons
- E12-14-006 – Initial State Helicity Correlation in Wide-Angle Compton Scattering

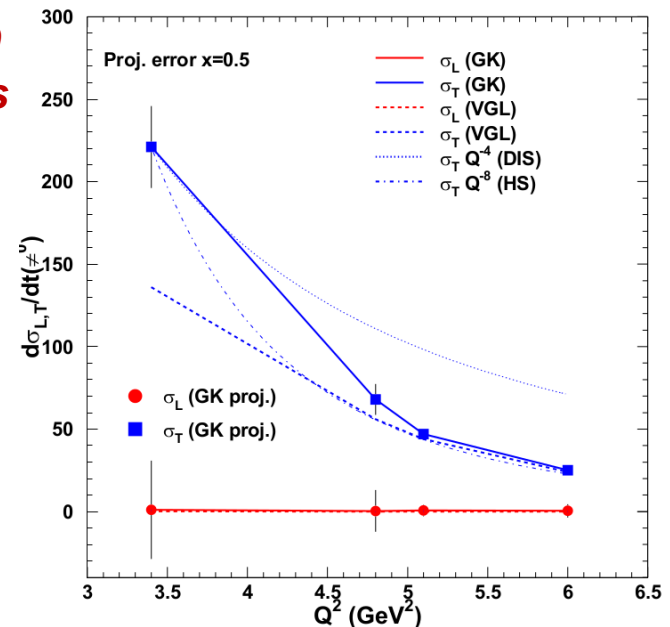
# E12-13-010: exclusive $\pi^0$ cross section



- ❑ Relative L/T contribution to  $\pi^0$  cross section important in probing transversity
  - If  $\sigma_T$  large: access to transversity GPDs
- ❑ Results from Hall A at 6 GeV Jlab suggest that the longitudinal cross section in  $\pi^0$  production is non-zero up to  $Q^2=2\text{GeV}^2$   
*See also talk by F. Sabatie*
- ❑ Need to understand  $Q^2/t$  dependence for final conclusion on dominance of  $\sigma_T$



**E12-13-010  
projections**

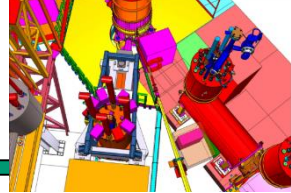


*M. Defurne et al, PRL 117 (2016) no.26, 262001*

**E12-13-010** will provide essential data on  $\sigma_T$  and  $\sigma_L$  at higher  $Q^2$  for reliable interpretation of 12 GeV GPD data

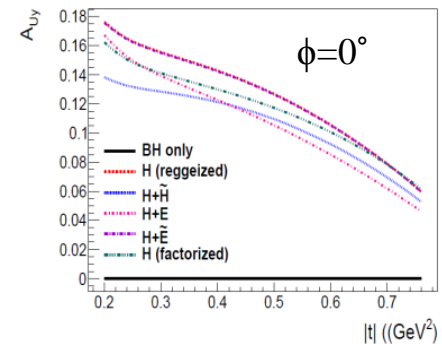
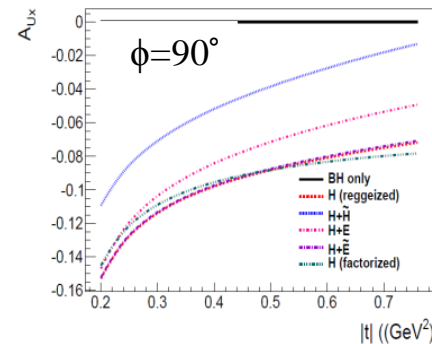


# LOI12-15-007: Timelike Compton Scattering with Transverse targets



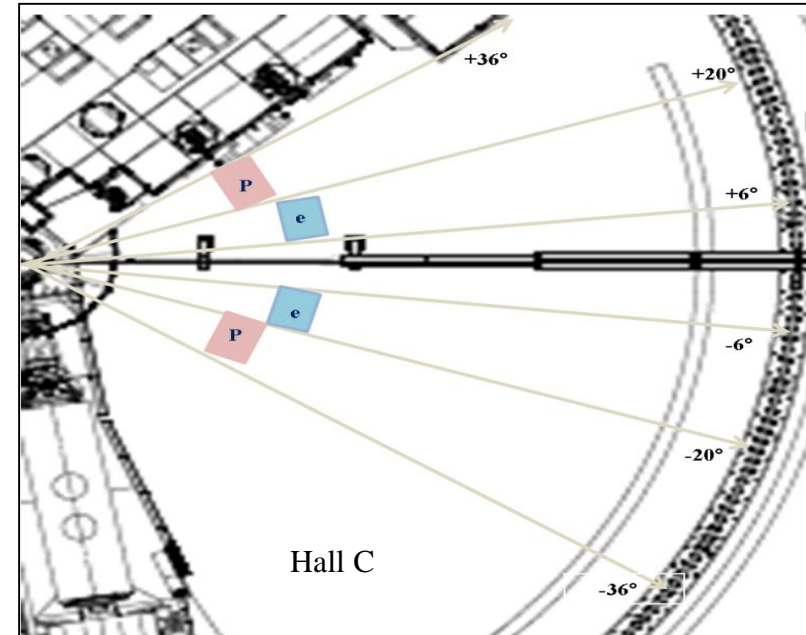
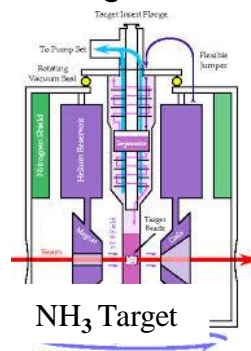
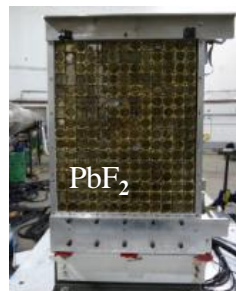
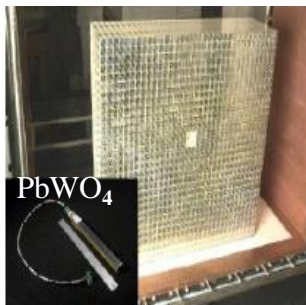
## □ Features of TCS measurements with transversely polarized target

- Theoretical calculations show that transverse asymmetries are very sensitive to GPDs  
*[M. Boer, M. Guidal, arXiv:1412.2036]*
- Asymmetries for the BH the main background for TCS is zero!
- Predictions for asymmetries with different assumption of GPDs vary up to 20%



## □ TCS event detection with NPS

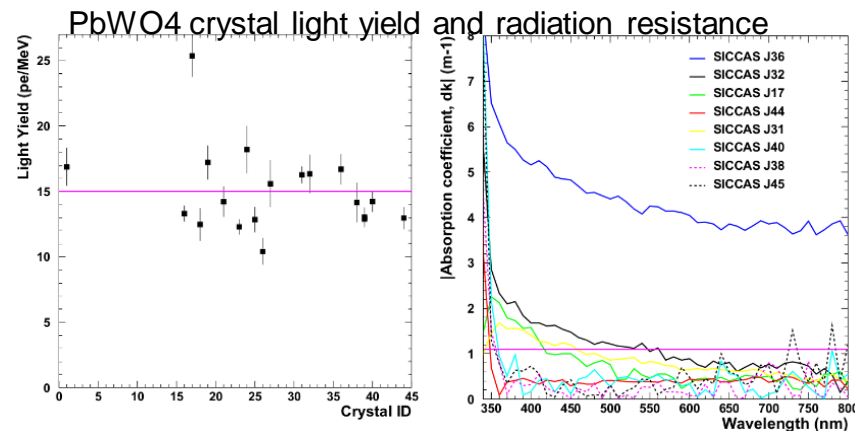
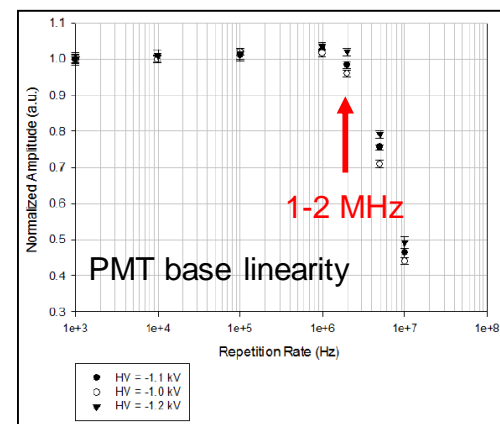
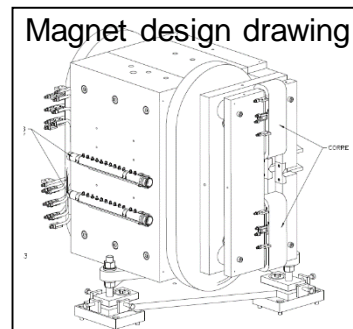
- Lepton pair will be detected by pair of NPS
- Recoil detection by combination of tracking and TOF



TCS measurements with transversally polarized target open interesting opportunities for probing GPD E

# NPS Project Status

- ❑ **Magnet:** design drawings finalized, procurement of main and corrector coil awarded, yoke ongoing
- ❑ **PMT and HV bases:** design drawings final, vendor selection ongoing, linearity test complete, magnetic shielding concept selected
- ❑ **Frame and integrated systems:** initial design drawings completed, specifications for Light Monitoring System and curing system ongoing
- ❑ **Crystals:** characterization of systematic dependencies, irradiation studies, chemical analysis and crystal growing in collaboration with the Vitreous State Laboratory (VSL), synergy with EIC crystal calorimeter R&D





# Summary and Outlook

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- ❑ Precision cross section measurements are essential for the GPD program at 12 GeV JLab
  - Validate applicability of hard-soft factorization in exclusive processes required for accessing GPDs
  
- ❑ The neutral particle physics program in Hall C plays an important role in the GPD program
  
- ❑ The Neutral Particle Spectrometer gives unique opportunity for coincidence precision cross section measurements with neutral particles
  - Preparations for NPS design/construction underway