

Photon-to-nucleon transition distribution amplitudes and backward time-like Compton scattering.

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- ① Introduction: Forward and backward kinematical regimes, DAs, GPDs, TDAs;
- ② Nucleon-to-photon TDAs: definition and properties;
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- ④ Near-backward TCS within the TDA framework;
- ⑤ Cross section estimates for JLab, EIC and EicC;
- ⑥ Summary and Outlook.

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Transition distribution amplitudes and hard exclusive reactions with baryon number transfer

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Factorization regimes for hard meson production

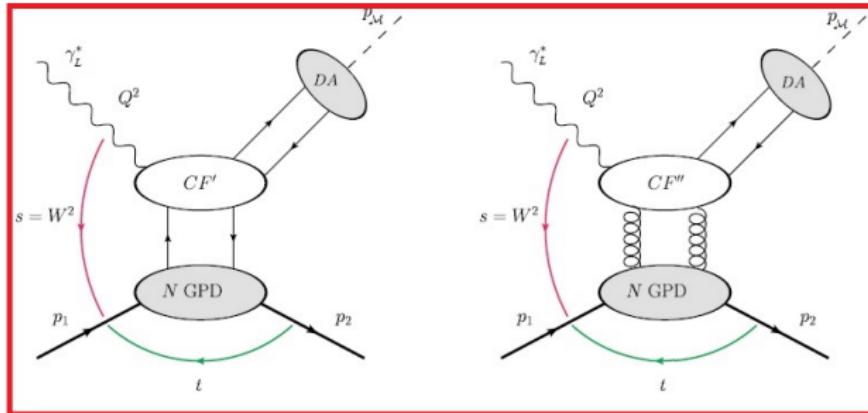
- J. Collins, L. Frankfurt and M. Strikman'97: the collinear factorization theorem for

$$\gamma^*(q) + N(p_1) \rightarrow N(p_2) + M(p_M).$$

Generalized Bjorken limit $t \sim 0$ (near-forward kinematics):

$$-q^2 = Q^2, \quad W^2 - \text{large}; \quad x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2p_1 \cdot q} - \text{fixed}; \quad -t = -(p_2 - p_2)^2 - \text{small}.$$

- Description in terms of nucleon GPDs and meson DAs.



A complementary regime in the generalized Bjorken limit:

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Hard exclusive pseudoscalar meson electroproduction and spin structure of the nucleon

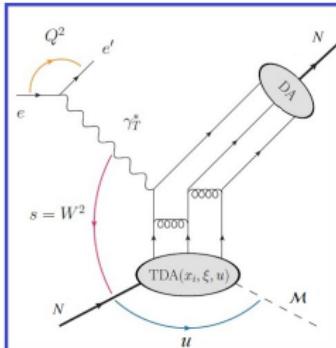
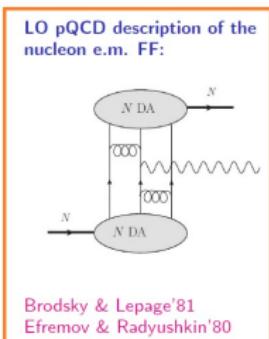
L. L. Frankfurt,^{1,2} P. V. Pobylitsa,^{2,3} M. V. Polyakov,^{2,3} and M. Strikman^{2,4,*}

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.....Therefore the factorization theorem is valid also for the production of leading baryons

$$\gamma^*(q) + p \rightarrow B(q + \Delta) + M(p - \Delta) \dots$$

- $u \sim 0$ (near-backward kinematics): nucleon-to-meson TDAs B. Pire, L. Szymanowski'05, 07 and nucleon DAs. Factorization theorem: same status as nucleon e.m. FF.



GPDs, DAs, GDAs and TDAs

- Main objects: matrix elements of QCD light-cone ($z^2 = 0$) operators.
- Quark-antiquark bilinear light-cone operator:

$$\langle A | \bar{\Psi}(0)[0; z] \Psi(z) | B \rangle$$

- ⇒ PDFs, meson DAs, meson-meson GDAs, GPDs, transition GPDs, etc.
- Three-quark trilinear light-cone ($z_i^2 = 0$) operator:

$$\langle A | \Psi(z_1)[z_1; z_0] \Psi(z_2)[z_2; z_0] \Psi(z_3)[z_3; z_0] | B \rangle$$

- $\langle A | = \langle 0 | ; | B \rangle$ - baryon; ⇒ baryon DAs;
- Let $\langle A |$ be a meson state ($\pi, \eta, \rho, \omega, \dots$) $| B \rangle$ - nucleon; ⇒ nucleon-to-meson TDAs.
- Let $\langle A |$ be a photon state $| B \rangle$ - nucleon; ⇒ nucleon-to-photon TDAs.
- $\langle A | = \langle 0 | ; | B \rangle$ - baryon-meson state; ⇒ baryon-meson GDAs.

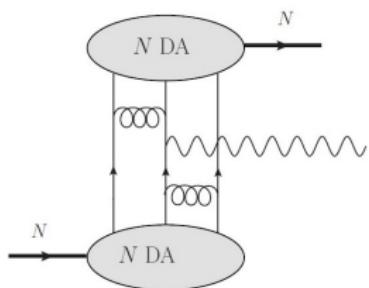
MN and γN TDAs have common features with:

- baryon DAs: same operator;
- GPDs: $\langle B |$ and $| A \rangle$ do not carry the same longitudinal momentum ⇒ skewness:

$$\xi = -\frac{(p_A - p_B) \cdot n}{(p_A + p_B) \cdot n}.$$

Nucleon e.m. FF in QCD: a well known example

LO pQCD description of the nucleon e.m. FF:

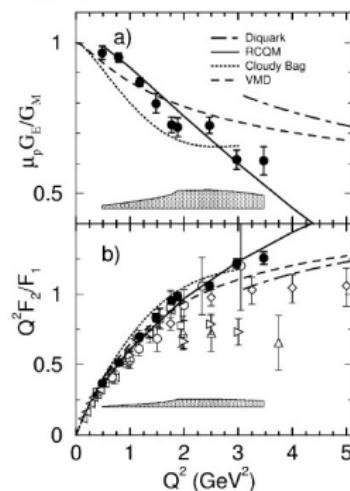


Brodsky & Lepage'81
Efremov & Radyushkin'80

Delayed scaling regime:

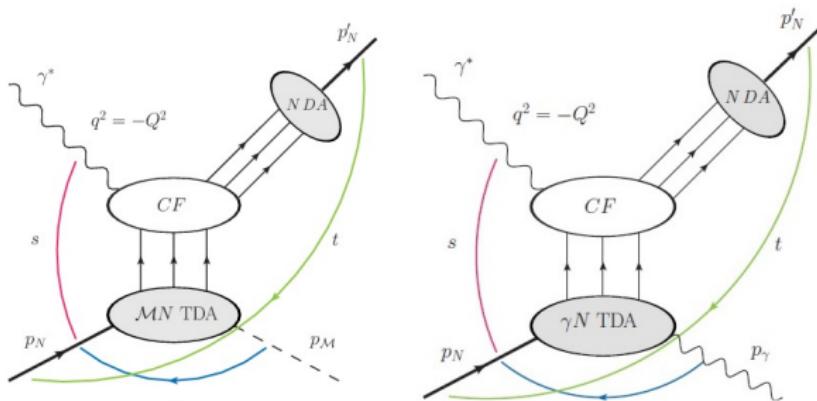
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G_{E_p}/G_{M_p} Ratio by Polarization Transfer in $\bar{e}p \rightarrow e\bar{p}$
(The Jefferson Lab Hall A Collaboration)



- Importance of higher twist corrections!

Questions to address with γN and γN TDAs



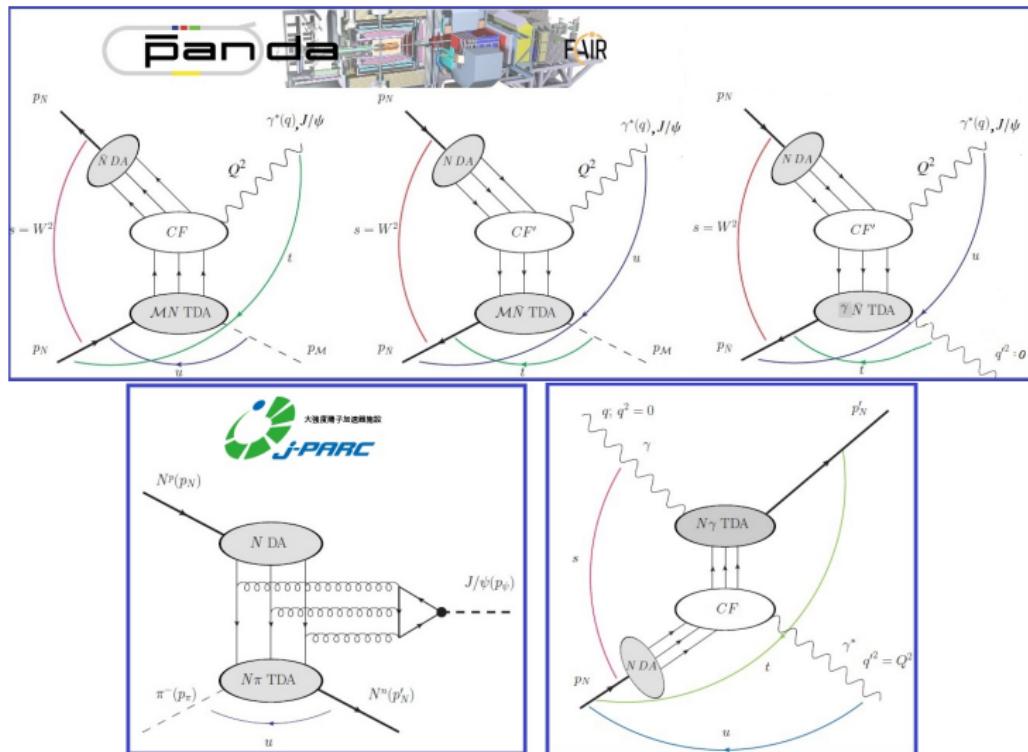
Why this is interesting?

- γ and various mesons ($\pi^0, \pi^\pm, \eta, \eta', \rho^0, \rho^\pm, \omega, \phi, \dots$) probe different spin-flavor combinations.
- Impact parameter picture: baryon charge distribution in the transverse plane.
- A view of the meson cloud and electromagnetic cloud inside a nucleon?
- Possible access to the 5-quark components of the nucleon LC WF?

Learn more about QCD technique

- A testbed for the QCD collinear factorization approach.
- A challenge for the lattice QCD & functional approaches based on DS/BS equations.

- Complementary experimental options and universality of TDAs.



A list of key issues:

- What are the properties and physical contents of nucleon-to-meson and nucleon-to-photon TDAs?
- What are the marking signs for the onset of the collinear factorization regime?
- Can we access backward reactions experimentally?

Leading twist-3 γN TDAs I

B.Pire, L.Szymanowski and K.S.'15 VN TDAs; $(n^2 = p^2 = 0; 2p \cdot n = 1; \text{LC gauge } A \cdot n = 0)$.

- $\frac{2^5}{2} = 16$ TDAs:

$$\left\{ V_{1\varepsilon,1T,2\varepsilon,2T}^{\gamma N}, A_{1\varepsilon,1T,2\varepsilon,2T}^{\gamma N}, T_{1\varepsilon,1T,2\varepsilon,2T,,3\varepsilon,3T,4\varepsilon,4T}^{\gamma N} \right\}(x_1, x_2, x_3, \xi, \Delta^2, \mu^2)$$

Proton-to- γ TDAs:

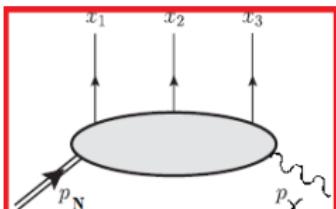
$$4(P \cdot n)^3 \int \left[\prod_{k=1}^3 \frac{dz_k}{2\pi} e^{i \textcolor{brown}{x}_k z_k (P \cdot n)} \right] \langle \gamma(p_\gamma, s_\gamma) | \textcolor{violet}{\varepsilon}_{c_1 c_2 c_3} u_{\rho}^{c_1}(z_1 n) u_{\tau}^{c_2}(z_2 n) d_{\chi}^{c_3}(z_3 n) | N^P(p_N, s_N) \rangle$$

$$= \delta(x_1 + x_2 + x_3 - 2\xi) m_N \left[\sum_{\substack{\Upsilon=1\mathcal{E},1T \\ 2\mathcal{E},2T}} (v_\Upsilon^\gamma)^N_{\rho\tau,\chi} V_\Upsilon^{\gamma N}(x_i, \xi, \Delta^2; \mu^2) \right.$$

$$+ \sum_{\substack{\Upsilon=1\mathcal{E},1T \\ 2\mathcal{E},2T}} (a_\Upsilon^\gamma)^N_{\rho\tau,\chi} A_\Upsilon^{\gamma N}(x_i, \xi, \Delta^2; \mu^2) + \sum_{\substack{\Upsilon=1\mathcal{E},1T,2\mathcal{E},2T \\ 3\mathcal{E},3T,4\mathcal{E},4T}} (t_\Upsilon^\gamma)^N_{\rho\tau,\chi} T_\Upsilon^{\gamma N}(x_i, \xi, \Delta^2; \mu^2) \Big].$$

How to build Dirac structures?

- E.m. gauge invariance.
 - Leading twist-3.
 - $P = \frac{p_N + p_\gamma}{2}; \Delta = (p_\gamma - p_N); \sigma_{P\mu} \equiv P^\nu \sigma_{\nu\mu};$
 $\xi = -\frac{\Delta \cdot n}{2P \cdot n}$
 - C : charge conjugation matrix;



Leading twist-3 γN TDAs II

- Just 4 (in fact 3) γN TDAs are relevant in the $\Delta_T = 0$ limit.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (v_{1\mathcal{E}}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= (\hat{p}C)_{\rho\tau} \left[\left(\gamma_5 \hat{\epsilon}^* U^+ \right)_\chi - \frac{m_N}{1+\xi} (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) \left(\gamma_5 U^+ \right)_\chi - \frac{2(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n)}{1-\xi} \left(\gamma_5 \hat{\Delta}_T U^+ \right)_\chi \right]; \\
 (v_{1T}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N} \left[(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot \Delta_T) - \frac{2\Delta_T^2}{1-\xi} (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) \right] (\hat{p}C)_{\rho\tau} \left(\gamma_5 U^+ \right)_\chi; \\
 (v_{2\mathcal{E}}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N} (\hat{p}C)_{\rho\tau} \left[\left(\gamma_5 \sigma^{\Delta_T \mathcal{E}^*} U^+ \right)_\chi - \frac{m_N (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n)}{2(1+\xi)} \left(\gamma_5 \hat{\Delta}_T U^+ \right)_\chi \right]; \\
 (v_{2T}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N^2} \left[(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot \Delta_T) - \frac{2\Delta_T^2}{1-\xi} (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) \right] (\hat{p}C)_{\rho\tau} \left(\gamma_5 \hat{\Delta}_T U^+ \right)_\chi; \\
 (a_{1\mathcal{E}}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= (\hat{p}\gamma^5 C)_{\rho\tau} \left[\left(\hat{\epsilon}^* U^+ \right)_\chi - \frac{m_N}{1+\xi} (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) (U^+)_\chi - \frac{2(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n)}{1-\xi} \left(\hat{\Delta}_T U^+ \right)_\chi \right]; \\
 (a_{1T}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N} \left[(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot \Delta_T) - \frac{2\Delta_T^2}{1-\xi} (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) \right] (\hat{p}\gamma^5 C)_{\rho\tau} (U^+)_\chi; \\
 (a_{2\mathcal{E}}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N} (\hat{p}\gamma^5 C)_{\rho\tau} \left[\left(\sigma^{\Delta_T \mathcal{E}^*} U^+ \right)_\chi - \frac{m_N (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n)}{2(1+\xi)} \left(\hat{\Delta}_T U^+ \right)_\chi \right]; \\
 (a_{2T}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N^2} \left[(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot \Delta_T) - \frac{2\Delta_T^2}{1-\xi} (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) \right] (\hat{p}\gamma^5 C)_{\rho\tau} \left(\hat{\Delta}_T U^+ \right)_\chi;
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (t_{1\mathcal{E}}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= (\sigma_{p\mu} C)_{\rho\tau} \left[\left(\gamma_5 \sigma^{\mu \mathcal{E}^*} U^+ \right)_\chi - \frac{m_N (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n)}{2(1+\xi)} \left(\gamma^5 \gamma^\mu U^+ \right)_\chi - \frac{2(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n)}{(1-\xi)} \left(\gamma^5 \sigma^{\mu \Delta_T} U^+ \right)_\chi \right]; \\
 (t_{1T}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N} \left[(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot \Delta_T) - \frac{2\Delta_T^2}{1-\xi} (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) \right] (\sigma_{p\mu} C)_{\rho\tau} \left(\gamma^5 \gamma^\mu U^+ \right)_\chi; \\
 (t_{2\mathcal{E}}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \left[\left(\sigma_{p\mathcal{E}^*} C \right)_{\rho\tau} - \frac{2(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n)}{(1-\xi)} \left(\sigma_{p\Delta_T} C \right)_{\rho\tau} \right] \left(\gamma^5 U^+ \right)_\chi; \\
 (t_{2T}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N^2} \left[(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot \Delta_T) - \frac{2\Delta_T^2}{1-\xi} (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) \right] (\sigma_{p\mu} C)_{\rho\tau} \left(\gamma^5 \sigma^{\mu \Delta_T} U^+ \right)_\chi; \\
 (t_{3\mathcal{E}}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N} (\sigma_{p\Delta_T} C)_{\rho\tau} \left[\left(\gamma^5 \hat{\epsilon}^* U^+ \right)_\chi - \frac{m_N (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n)}{(1+\xi)} \left(\gamma^5 U^+ \right)_\chi - \frac{2(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n)}{(1-\xi)} \left(\gamma^5 \hat{\Delta}_T U^+ \right)_\chi \right]; \\
 (t_{3T}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N^2} \left[(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot \Delta_T) - \frac{2\Delta_T^2}{1-\xi} (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) \right] (\sigma_{p\Delta_T} C)_{\rho\tau} \left(\gamma^5 U^+ \right)_\chi; \\
 (t_{4\mathcal{E}}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N} \left[(\sigma_{p\mathcal{E}^*} C)_{\rho\tau} - \frac{2(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n)}{1-\xi} \left(\sigma_{p\Delta_T} C \right)_{\rho\tau} \right] \left(\gamma^5 \hat{\Delta}_T U^+ \right)_\chi; \\
 (t_{4T}^N)_{\rho\tau, \chi} &= \frac{1}{m_N^3} \left[(\mathcal{E}^* \cdot \Delta_T) - \frac{2\Delta_T^2}{1-\xi} (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) \right] (\sigma_{p\Delta_T} C)_{\rho\tau} \left(\gamma^5 \hat{\Delta}_T U^+ \right)_\chi.
 \end{aligned}$$

Helicity contents I

- Light-front helicity amplitudes ($\lambda_N, \lambda_{u,u,d} = \uparrow, \downarrow$ and $\lambda_\gamma = \uparrow, \downarrow$):

$$T_{\lambda_u \lambda_d}^{\lambda_N, \lambda_\gamma}$$

- 4 processes in which helicity is conserved:

$$3 \quad N^p(\uparrow) \rightarrow uud(\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow) + \gamma(\uparrow); \quad +1 \quad N^p(\uparrow) \rightarrow uud(\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow) + \gamma(\downarrow);$$

- This corresponds to 4 γN TDAs in the $\Delta_T = 0$ limit:

$$V_{1\mathcal{E}}^{\gamma p} = \frac{1}{2^{1/4}\sqrt{1+\xi}(P^+)^{3/2}} \frac{1}{m_N} [T_{\uparrow\downarrow,\downarrow}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} + T_{\downarrow\uparrow,\downarrow}^{\uparrow, \uparrow}];$$

$$A_{1\mathcal{E}}^{\gamma p} = -\frac{1}{2^{1/4}\sqrt{1+\xi}(P^+)^{3/2}} \frac{1}{m_N} [T_{\uparrow\downarrow,\downarrow}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} - T_{\downarrow\uparrow,\downarrow}^{\uparrow, \uparrow}];$$

$$T_{1\mathcal{E}}^{\gamma p} = -\frac{1}{2^{1/4}\sqrt{1+\xi}(P^+)^{3/2}} \frac{1}{m_N} [T_{\downarrow\downarrow,\uparrow}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} + T_{\uparrow\uparrow,\uparrow}^{\uparrow, \uparrow}];$$

$$T_{2\mathcal{E}}^{\gamma p} = -\frac{1}{2^{1/4}\sqrt{1+\xi}(P^+)^{3/2}} \frac{1}{m_N} [T_{\downarrow\downarrow,\uparrow}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} - T_{\uparrow\uparrow,\uparrow}^{\uparrow, \uparrow}].$$

Helicity contents II

- At $\Delta_T \neq 0$: counting Δ_T factors in the Dirac structure \Leftrightarrow orbital angular momentum contribution to nucleon spin:
 - 1 power of $\Delta_T \Leftrightarrow$ one unit of orbital angular momentum $L = 1$;
 - 2 powers of $\Delta_T \Leftrightarrow$ two units of orbital angular momentum $L = 2$;
 - 3 powers of Δ_T $T_{4\mathcal{E}}^{\gamma N} \sim T_{\downarrow\downarrow,\downarrow}^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$
- New information on density probabilities for orbital angular momentum contributions when a proton emits a photon:

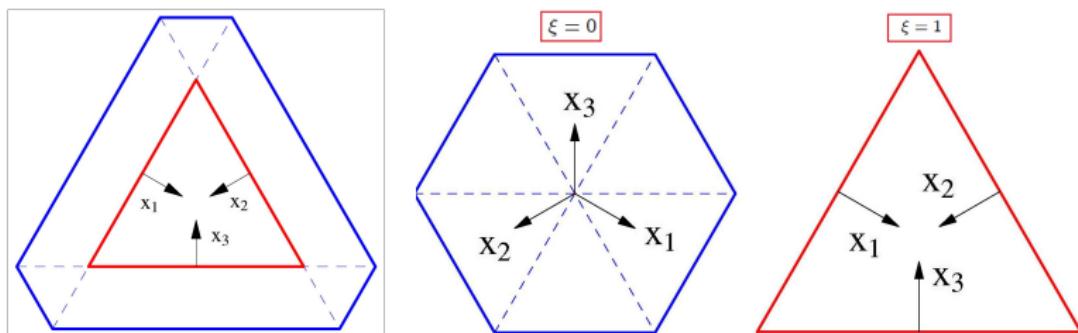
$$\frac{|V_{1\mathcal{E}}^{\gamma p}|^2 + |A_{1\mathcal{E}}^{\gamma p}|^2}{|T_{1\mathcal{E}}^{\gamma p}|^2 + |T_{2\mathcal{E}}^{\gamma p}|^2} \sim \frac{D_{h(u_1)=-h(u_2)}(x_i)}{D_{h(u_1)=+h(u_2)}(x_i)}.$$

- “Is the nucleon brighter when u -quarks have equal helicities?”

Fundamental properties I: support & polynomiality

B. Pire, L.Szymanowski, KS'10,11:

- Restricted support in x_1, x_2, x_3 : intersection of three stripes
 $-1 + \xi \leq x_k \leq 1 + \xi$ ($\sum_k x_k = 2\xi$); ERBL-like and DGLAP-like I, II domains.



- Mellin moments in $x_k \Rightarrow \gamma N$ matrix elements of local 3-quark operators

$$\left[i\vec{D}^{\mu_1} \dots i\vec{D}^{\mu_{n_1}} \Psi_\rho(0) \right] \left[i\vec{D}^{\nu_1} \dots i\vec{D}^{\nu_{n_2}} \Psi_\tau(0) \right] \left[i\vec{D}^{\lambda_1} \dots i\vec{D}^{\lambda_{n_3}} \Psi_\chi(0) \right].$$

Can be studied on the lattice!

- Polynomiality in ξ of the Mellin moments in x_k :

$$\int_{-1+\xi}^{1+\xi} dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \delta\left(\sum_k x_k - 2\xi\right) x_1^{n_1} x_2^{n_2} x_3^{n_3} H^{\gamma N}(x_1, x_2, x_3, \xi, \Delta^2)$$

$$= [\text{Polynomial of order } n_1 + n_2 + n_3 \{+1\}] (\xi).$$

Fundamental properties II: spectral representation

- Spectral representation A. Radyushkin'97 generalized for TDAs ensures polynomiality and support:

$$\begin{aligned} H(x_1, x_2, x_3 = 2\xi - x_1 - x_2, \xi) \\ = \left[\prod_{i=1}^3 \int_{\Omega_i} d\beta_i d\alpha_i \right] \delta(x_1 - \xi - \beta_1 - \alpha_1 \xi) \delta(x_2 - \xi - \beta_2 - \alpha_2 \xi) \\ \times \delta(\beta_1 + \beta_2 + \beta_3) \delta(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + 1) F(\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3); \end{aligned}$$

- Ω_i : $\{|\beta_i| \leq 1, |\alpha_i| \leq 1 - |\beta_i|\}$ are copies of the usual DD square support;
- $F(\dots)$: six variables that are subject to two constraints \Rightarrow quadruple distributions;
- Can be supplemented with a D -term-like contribution (with pure ERBL-like support):

$$\frac{1}{(2\xi)^2} \delta(x_1 + x_2 + x_3 - 2\xi) \left[\prod_{k=1}^3 \theta(0 \leq x_k \leq 2\xi) \right] D\left(\frac{x_1}{2\xi}, \frac{x_2}{2\xi}, \frac{x_3}{2\xi}\right).$$

Fundamental properties III: evolution

- Evolution properties of 3-quark light-cone operator: V. M. Braun, S. E. Derkachov, G. P. Korchemsky, A. N. Manashov'99.
- Evolution equations for TDAs: B. Pire, L. Szymanowski'07.
- Conformal basis (Jacobi and Gegenbauer polynomials):

$$\Psi_{N,n}^{(12)3}(y_1, y_2, y_3) = (N + n + 4)(y_1 + y_2)^n P_{N-n}^{(2n+3,1)}(y_3 - y_1 - y_2) C_n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(\frac{y_1 - y_2}{y_1 + y_2} \right).$$

- The conformal PWs:

$$p_{N,n}^{(12)3}(w, v, \xi) = \theta(|w| \leq \xi) \theta(|v| \leq \xi') \xi^{-N-2} \frac{1}{g_{N,n}} \\ \times \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{\xi'^2}\right) C_n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(-\frac{v}{\xi'}\right) \left(1 - \frac{w}{\xi}\right)^{n+2} \left(1 + \frac{w}{\xi}\right) P_{N-n}^{2n+3,1} \left(\frac{w}{\xi}\right).$$

- Conformal PW expansion for TDAs:

$$H(w, v, \xi, \Delta^2) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^N p_{N,n}^{(12)3}(w, v, \xi) h_{n,N}^{(12)3}(\xi, \Delta^2).$$

- SO(3) PW expansion of the conformal moments $h_{n,N}^{(12)3} \Rightarrow$ cross-channel picture of baryon exchanges. Dual parametrization, see D. Müller, M. Polyakov, K.S.'15.

A connection to the quark-diquark picture

- Quark-diquark coordinates (one of 3 possible sets):

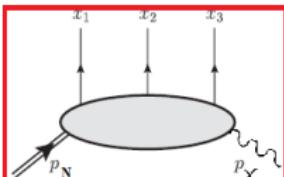
$$v_3 = \frac{x_1 - x_2}{2}; \quad w_3 = x_3 - \xi; \quad x_1 + x_2 = 2\xi'_3; \quad \left(\xi'_3 \equiv \frac{\xi - w_3}{2} \right).$$

- The TDA support in quark-diquark coordinates:

$$-1 \leq w_3 \leq 1; \quad -1 + |\xi - \xi'_3| \leq v_3 \leq 1 - |\xi - \xi'_3|$$

- v_3 -Mellin moment of γN TDAs: “diquark-quark” light-cone operator

$$\int_{-1+|\xi-\xi'_3|}^{1-|\xi-\xi'_3|} dv_3 H^{\gamma N}(w_3, v_3, \xi, \Delta^2) \\ \sim h_{\rho\tau\chi}^{-1} \int \frac{d\lambda}{4\pi} e^{i(w_3\lambda)(P \cdot n)} \langle \gamma(p_\gamma) | \underbrace{u_\rho(-\frac{\lambda}{2}n) u_\tau(-\frac{\lambda}{2}n) d_\chi(\frac{\lambda}{2}n)}_{\mathcal{O}_{\rho\tau\chi}^{\{uu\}d}(-\frac{\lambda}{2}n, \frac{\lambda}{2}n)} | N^P(p_1) \rangle.$$

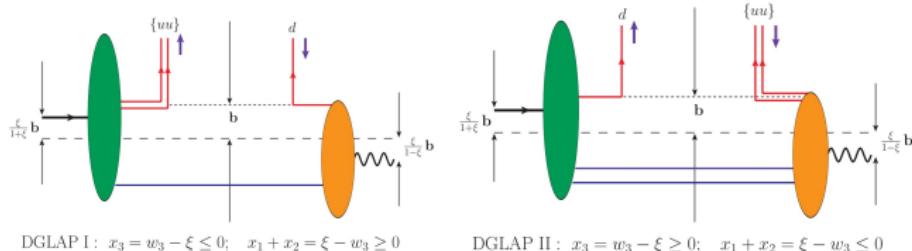


γN TDAs: an interpretation in the impact parameter space I

- A generalization of M. Burkardt'00,02; M. Diehl'02 for v_3 -integrated TDAs.
- Fourier transform with respect to

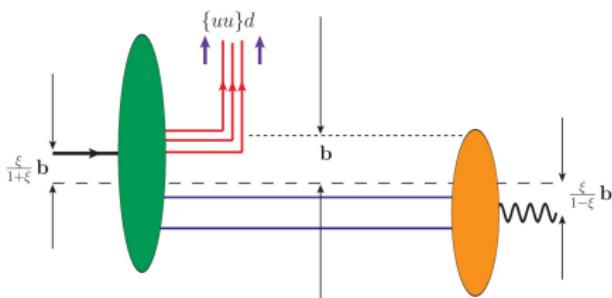
$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{\mathbf{p}_\gamma}{1-\xi} - \frac{\mathbf{p}_N}{1+\xi}; \quad \Delta^2 = -2\xi \left(-\frac{m_N^2}{1+\xi} \right) - (1-\xi^2)\mathbf{D}^2.$$

- A representation in the DGLAP-like I and II domains:



γN TDAs: an interpretation in the impact parameter space II

- A representation in the ERBL-like domain:



$$\text{ERBL : } x_3 = w_3 - \xi \geq 0; \quad x_1 + x_2 = \xi - w_3 \geq 0$$

- A possible view on the inner light (e.m. cloud) within the nucleon.

A picture complementary to photon pdf of the nucleon?

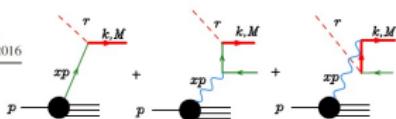
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How Bright is the Proton? A Precise Determination
of the Photon Parton Distribution Function

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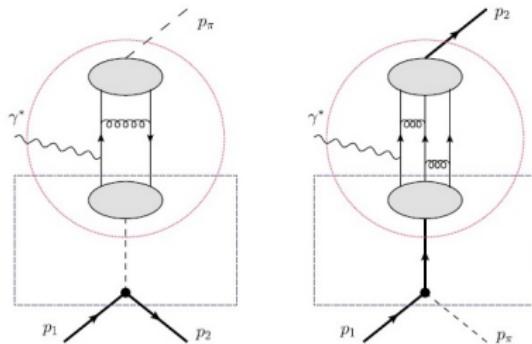
Building up a consistent model for TDAs

Key requirements:

- ① support in x_k s and polynomiality;
- ② isospin + permutation symmetry;
- ③ crossing πN TDA $\leftrightarrow \pi N$ GDA and chiral properties: soft pion theorem;

How to model quadruple distributions?

- No enlightening $\xi = 0$ limit as for GPDs.
 - $\xi \rightarrow 1$ limit fixed from chiral dynamics.
 - A factorized Ansatz with input at $\xi = 1$ designed in J.P. Lansberg, B. Pire, K.S. and L. Szymanowski'12
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- N and $\Delta(1232)$ cross-channel exchanges $\Rightarrow D$ -term-like contribution: \tilde{E} GPD v.s. TDA



How to check that the TDA-based reaction mechanism is relevant?

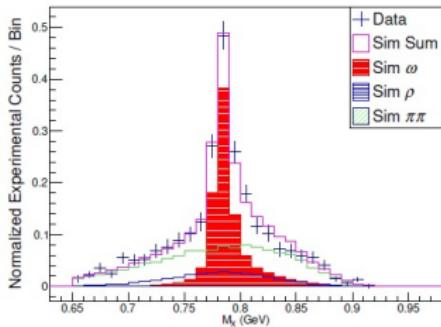
Distinguishing features

- Characteristic backward peak of the cross section. Special behavior in the near-backward region.
 - Scaling behavior of the cross section in Q^2 and specific counting rules
 - Dominance of the transverse cross section σ_T
 - For time-like reactions: specific angular distribution of the lepton pair $\sim (1 + \cos^2 \theta_\ell)$.
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- Pioneering analysis of backward $\gamma^* p \rightarrow \pi^0 p$. A. Kubarovský, CIPANP 2012.
 - Analysis of JLab @ 6 GeV data (Oct.2001-Jan.2002 run) for the backward $\gamma^* p \rightarrow \pi^+ n$ K. Park et al. (CLAS Collaboration), PLB 780 (2018).
 - Backward ω -production at JLab Hall C.
W. Li, G. Huber (The JLab F_π Collaboration), PRL 123, 2019
 - S. Diehl et al. (CLAS collaboration), PRL 125 (2020) : extraction of BSA in $\gamma^* p \rightarrow \pi^+ n$.
 - Feasibility studies for PANDA and JPARC.

More in Stefan Diehl's talk today!

Backward ω -production at JLab Hall C I

- TDA formalism for the case of light vector mesons (ρ , ω , ϕ) B. Pire, L. Szymanowski and K.S'15. 24 VN TDAs at the leading twist.
- The analysis W. Li, G. Huber et al. (The JLab F_π Collaboration), PRL 123, 2019
- Clear signal from backward regime of $ep \rightarrow e' p\omega$.

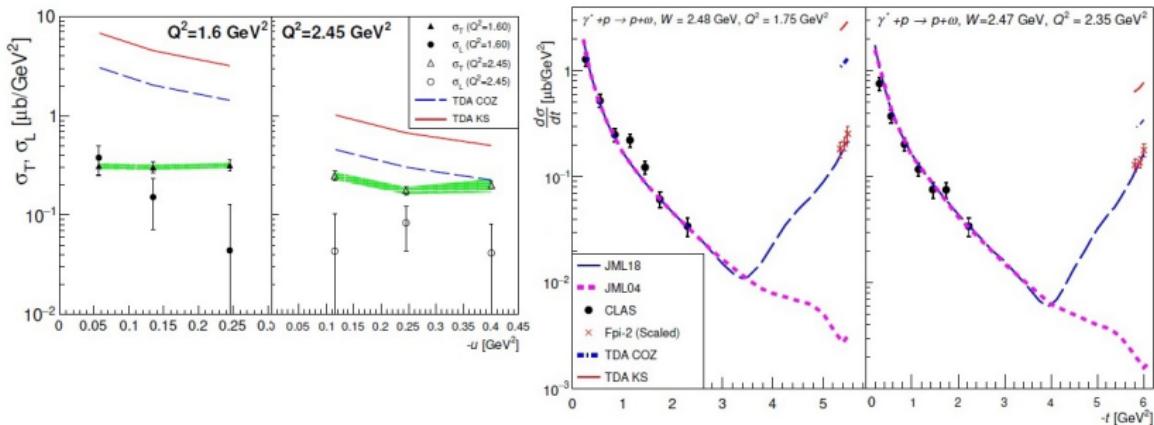


- Full Rosenbluth separation: σ_T and σ_L extracted to address $\sigma_T \gg \sigma_L$ issue.

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

Backward ω -production at JLab Hall C II

- For $Q^2 = 2.45 \text{ GeV}^2$: $\sigma_L/\sigma_T < \mu^2/Q^2$ and $\sigma_T \gg \sigma_L$;



- Experiment v.s. the predictions of the cross-channel nucleon exchange model for $p \rightarrow \omega$ TDAs.
- Combined (CLAS and $F_{\pi}-2$ data for $\gamma^* p \rightarrow \omega p$).
- TDA-based predictions v.s. the Regge-based J.M. Laget's JML'18 model.

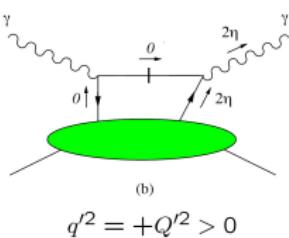
Time-like Compton scattering

$$\gamma(q) + N(p_1) \rightarrow \gamma^*(q') + N(p_2) \rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell} + N(p_2)$$

- Near-forward TCS E. Berger, M.Diehl, B.Pire'01:

large $q'^2 = Q'^2$ and s ; small $-t$.

- Fixed $\tau = \frac{Q'^2}{2p_1 \cdot q} = \frac{Q'^2}{s - m_N^2}$: analog of the Bjorken variable.



- A complementary access to GPDs. Check of universality.

at LO : $\mathcal{H}_{TCS} = \mathcal{H}_{DVCS}^*$; $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{TCS} = -\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{DVCS}^*$

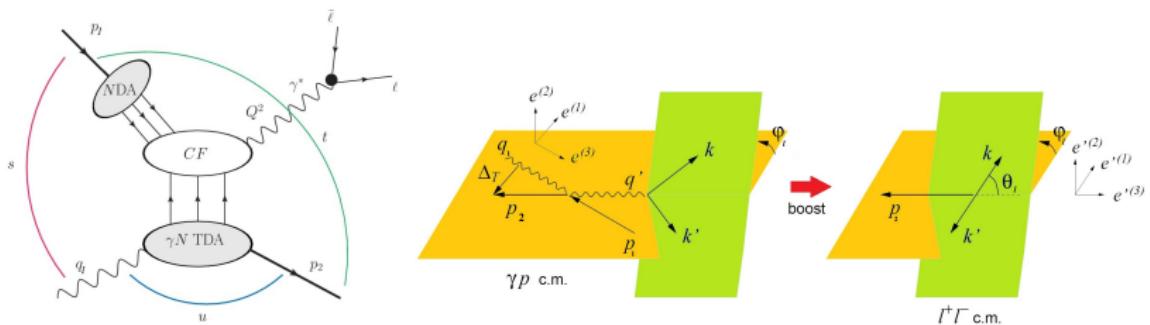
at NLO $\mathcal{H}_{TCS} = \mathcal{H}_{DVCS}^* - i\pi Q^2 \frac{d}{dQ^2} \mathcal{H}_{DVCS}^*$; $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{TCS} = -\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{DVCS}^* + i\pi Q^2 \frac{d}{dQ^2} \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{DVCS}^*$

- First experimental data on TCS from CLAS12 arXiv:2108.11746.

Backward time-like Compton scattering

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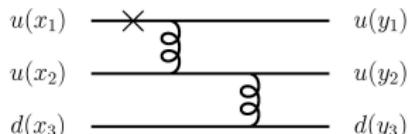
large s and $q_2^2 \equiv Q^2$; fixed x_B ; small $-u = -(p_2 - q_1)^2$.



- γ_T^* dominance: $(1 + \cos^2 \theta_\ell)$ angular dependence;
- large $-t$: small BH background?
- Crude cross section estimates: VMD + $\gamma^* N \rightarrow VN +$ crossing.

Calculation of the LO amplitude

- LO amplitude for $\gamma^* + N \rightarrow V + NP$ computed as in B. Pire, K.S. and L. Szymanowski'16;
- 21 diagrams contribute;



$$\mathcal{M}^{\gamma^* N \rightarrow \gamma N'} \approx \bar{u}(N') \hat{\mathcal{E}}(q) u(N) \int dx_i dy_i D\Lambda(y_i; Q^2) T_H(x_i, y_i, Q^2) \text{TDA}(x_i, \xi, u; Q^2).$$

- $D\Lambda(y_i; Q^2)$ = proton distribution amplitude;
- T_H : hard scattering amplitude, calculated in the collinear approximation.

$$\text{C.f. } A(\xi) = \int_{-1}^1 dx \frac{H(x, \xi)}{x \pm \xi \mp i\epsilon} \int_0^1 dy \frac{\phi_M(y)}{y}$$

- At leading order, the amplitude for the time-like process is the complex conjugate of space-like (i.e. electroproduction) amplitude.
- Scaling law for the amplitude:

$$\mathcal{M}(Q^2, \xi) \sim \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)^2}{Q^4}$$

Vector meson dominance I

- J. J. Sakurai'1960s: vector meson dominance model

$$\langle 0 | J_\mu^{\text{em}}(0) | V \rangle = \varepsilon_\mu m_V^2 / f_V;$$

- Coupling constants:

$$\Gamma(V \rightarrow e^+ e^-) \approx \frac{1}{3} \alpha^2 m_V (f_V^2/4\pi)^{-1}, \quad V = \rho, \omega, \phi.$$

- VMD for photoproduction reactions: A and B - hadron states

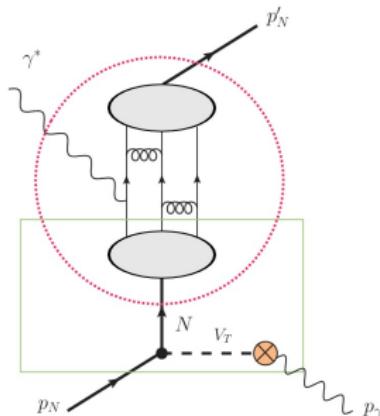
$$[\gamma A \rightarrow B] = e \frac{1}{f_\rho} [\rho^0 A \rightarrow B] + (\omega) + (\phi).$$

Vector meson dominance II

- VMD-based model for nucleon-to-photon TDAs

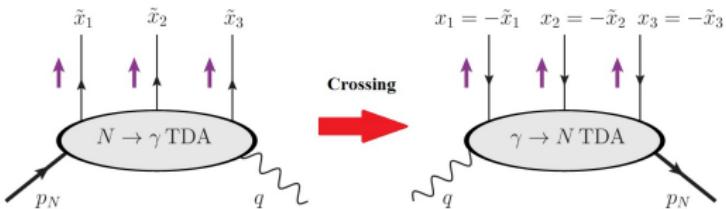
$$V_\gamma^{\gamma N} = \frac{e}{f_\rho} V_\gamma^{\rho TN} + \frac{e}{f_\omega} V_\gamma^{\omega TN} + \frac{e}{f_\phi} V_\gamma^{\phi TN};$$

- Check of consistency: transverse polarization of V 16 out of 24 leading twist-3 VN TDAs;
- Cross-channel nucleon exchange model for $V_T N$ TDAs:



- Dumbrajs et al.'1982: $\frac{f_\rho^2}{4\pi} = 2.26$; $\frac{f_\omega^2}{4\pi} = 18.4$; $\frac{f_\phi^2}{4\pi} = 14.3$.

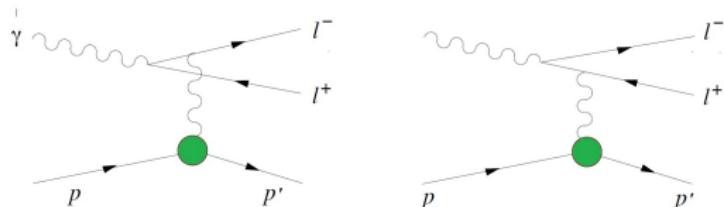
Crossing $\gamma \rightarrow N$ to $N \rightarrow \gamma$ TDAs



- Crossing relation established in **B.Pire, K.S., L. Szymanowski, PRD'95** for $\pi \rightarrow N$ and $N \rightarrow \pi$ TDAs.

$$\begin{aligned} V_i^{N\gamma}(x_i, \xi, u) &= V_i^{\gamma N}(-x_i, -\xi, u); A_i^{N\gamma}(x_i, \xi, u) = A_i^{\gamma N}(-x_i, -\xi, u) \\ T_i^{N\gamma}(x_i, \xi, u) &= T_i^{\gamma N}(-x_i, -\xi, u). \end{aligned}$$

BH contribution in the near-backward regime I



$$\frac{d\sigma_{BH}}{dQ'^2 dt d(\cos \theta) d\varphi} = \frac{\alpha_{em}^3}{4\pi(s - M^2)^2} \frac{\beta}{-tL} \left[\left(F_1^2 - \frac{t}{4M^2} F_2^2 \right) \frac{A}{-t} + (F_1 + F_2)^2 \frac{B}{2} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= (s - M^2)^2 \Delta_T^2 - t a(a + b) - M^2 b^2 - t(4M^2 - t)Q^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{m_\ell^2}{L} \left[\{(Q^2 - t)(a + b) - (s - M^2)b\}^2 + t(4M^2 - t)(Q^2 - t)^2 \right]; \\ B &= (Q^2 + t)^2 + b^2 + 8m_\ell^2 Q^2 - \frac{4m_\ell^2(t + 2m_\ell^2)}{L}(Q^2 - t)^2; \end{aligned}$$

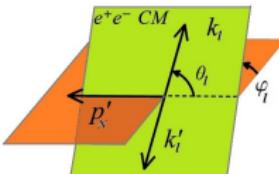
$$a = 2(k - k') \cdot p', \quad b = 2(k - k') \cdot (p - p');$$

$$L = [(q - k)^2 - m_\ell^2] [(q - k')^2 - m_\ell^2] = \frac{(Q^2 - t)^2 - b^2}{4}; \quad \beta = \sqrt{1 - 4m_\ell^2/Q^2}.$$

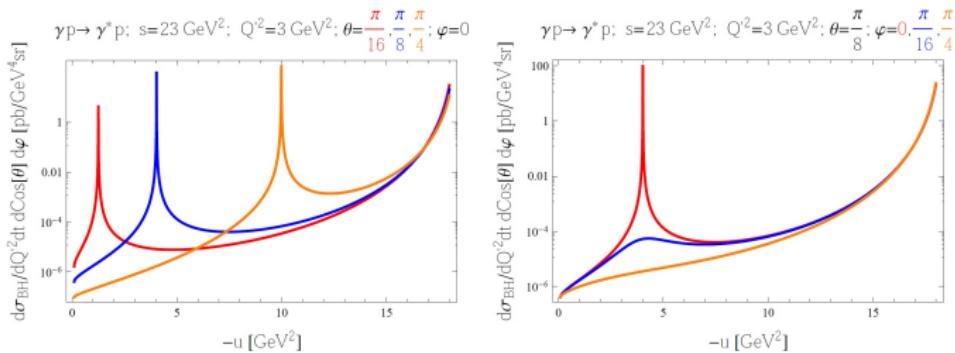
- BH contribution dominates in the near-forward regime: $\frac{F_1(t)}{t} \sim \frac{1}{t}$.

BH contribution in the near-backward regime II

- The BH cross section peaks once ℓ goes “on-shell”: L -small.
- Effect of the cut in the lepton polar angle θ : keep the BH peak out of the near-backward kinematics.

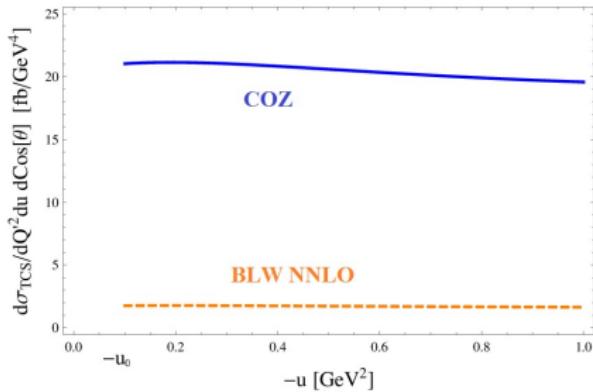


- The left peak is very narrow.

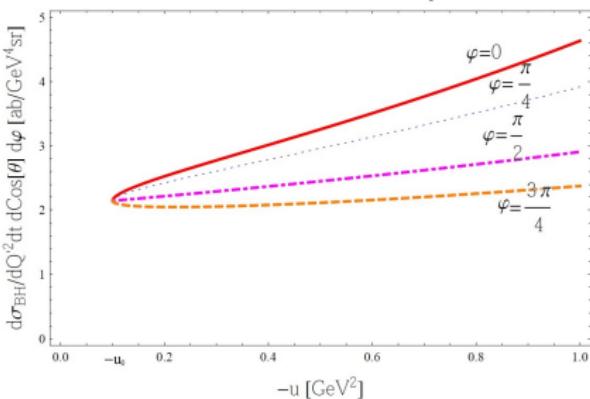


Cross section estimates: BH v.s. near-backward TCS

$$\gamma p \rightarrow e^+ e^- p; s=23 \text{ GeV}^2; Q^2=3 \text{ GeV}^2; \theta=\frac{\pi}{4}$$



$$\gamma p \rightarrow \gamma^* p; s=23 \text{ GeV}^2; Q^2=3 \text{ GeV}^2; \theta=\frac{\pi}{4};$$



Cross section estimates for JLab and EicC

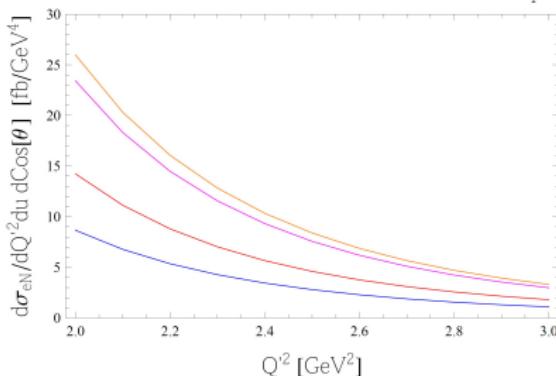
- Quasi-real photoproduction

$$\sigma_{eN} = \int dx \sigma_{\gamma N}(x) f(x); \quad x = \frac{s_{\gamma N} - m_N^2}{s_{eN} - m_N^2}.$$

- Weizsäcker-Williams distribution

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{2\pi} \left\{ 2m_e^2 x \left(\frac{1}{Q_{\max}^2} - \frac{1-x}{m_e^2 x^2} \right) + \frac{\left((1-x)^2 + 1 \right) \ln \frac{Q_{\max}^2 (1-x)}{m_e^2 x^2}}{x} \right\}.$$

$$E_e = 11, 24, 119, 220 \text{ GeV}; \quad u = u_0 [W^2, Q^2]; \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$



- JLab Hall C: assuming luminosity $10^{38} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ - plenty of events!
- EicC luminosity (reported in ArXiv:2110.094) is $50 \text{ fb}^{-1}/\text{year}$ - several tens of events.

Conclusions & Outlook

- ① Nucleon-to-meson TDAs provide new information about correlation of partons inside hadrons. A consistent picture for the integrated TDAs emerges in the impact parameter representation.
- ② We strongly encourage to detect near forward and backward signals for various mesons (π , η , ω , ρ): there is interesting physics around!
- ③ First evidences for the onset of the factorization regime in backward $\gamma^* N \rightarrow N' \omega$ from JLab Hall C analysis and BSA measurements in $\gamma^* p \rightarrow \pi^+ n$ from CLAS.
- ④ PAC 48 decision is a challenge both for the experiment and for theory. New models for advanced feasibility studies. Regge-behavior for small x_B ?
- ⑤ Backward time-like Compton scattering and backward DVCS may provide access to nucleon-to-photon TDAs. Seems to be sizable enough to be studied with JLab Hall C and A and future EicC. BH contribution is small in the near-backward regime.
- ⑥ Dispersion relation and the subtraction constant.
- ⑦ May be an addition to the ultraperipheral physics program at hadron colliders.

Thank you for your attention!