

Exclusive meson production

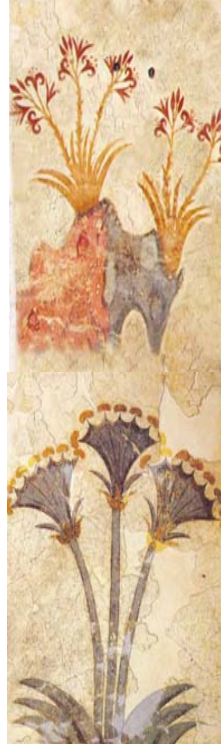
recent experimental results

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- Motivation
- Exclusive vector meson production at small x
H1 and ZEUS
- Unpolarised cross sections for ρ^0 at large x
CLAS
- Single transverse target spin asymmetries for ρ^0
HERMES and COMPASS
- More results on spin dependence in VM production
COMPASS and HERMES
- Exclusive π^+ and π^0 production
HERMES, CLAS and JLAB Hall A
- Conclusions

Why hard exclusive meson production ?

● **Nucleon structure** ↔ Hard exclusive processes (DVCS + DVMP)

❖ constrain GPDs

‘Holy Grails’ of GPDs:

- distribution of partons in transverse plane vs. x
‘nucleon tomography’
- orbital angular momentum of quarks

❖ VM production at small x sensitive to gluons

● **Meson structure** ↔ Deep virtual meson production

wave function / DA

● **Mechanism of high energy diffraction** (exclusive VM production)

BFKL vs. DGLAP, k_T -factorisation, ...

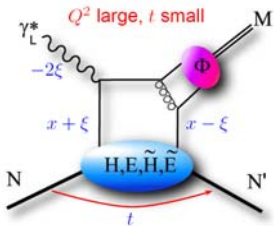
● **Space-time evolution of hadronic fluctuations** of γ^*

Color Transparency (also Color Opacity) – important predictions of pQCD



cf. talk by K. Hafidi

Hard exclusive meson production



- 4 Generalised Parton Distributions (GPDs)

for each quark flavour and for gluons

GPDs depend on 3 variables: x, ξ, t

- factorisation proven only for σ_L
 σ_T suppressed of $1/Q^2$

necessary to extract longitudinal contribution to observables (σ_L, \dots)

- allows separation $(H, E) \leftrightarrow (\tilde{H}, \tilde{E})$ and wrt quark flavours

Flavour sensitivity of DVMP on the proton

ρ^0	$2u+d, 9g/4$
ω	$2u-d, 3g/4$
ϕ	s, g
ρ^+	$u-d$
J/ψ	g

$\left. \begin{matrix} H \\ \tilde{H} \end{matrix} \right\}$ $\left. \begin{matrix} E \\ \tilde{E} \end{matrix} \right\}$ Vector mesons (ρ, ω, ϕ)
 Pseudoscalar mesons (π, η)
 conserve flip nucleon helicity

- quarks and gluons enter at the same order of α_s

- wave function of meson (DA Φ)

additional information/complication

for vector mesons: $\rho^0, \rho^+, f_2, \dots$

unpolarised cross section ($\sigma_{00}^{++} \equiv \sigma_L$) $\frac{1}{\Gamma'} \frac{d\sigma_{00}^{++}}{dt} = (1 - \xi^2) |\underline{\mathcal{H}}_M|^2 - \left(\xi^2 + \frac{t}{4M_p^2} \right) |\mathcal{E}_M|^2 - 2\xi^2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{E}_M^* \mathcal{H}_M),$

transverse target spin asymmetry $\frac{1}{\Gamma'} \text{Im} \frac{d\sigma_{00}^{+-}}{dt} = -\sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \frac{\sqrt{t_0 - t}}{M_p} \text{Im}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}_M^* \mathcal{H}_M)$

access to GPD E
related to orbital momentum

for pseudoscalar mesons: $\pi^0, \pi^+, \eta, \dots$

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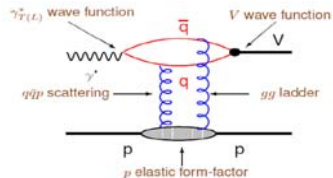
$$\Gamma' = \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{Q^6} \frac{x_B^2}{1 - x_B} \quad \xi = \frac{x_B}{2 - x_B}, \quad -t_0 = \frac{4\xi^2 M_p^2}{1 - \xi^2}$$

(large Q^2 approximation)

$\mathcal{H}_M, \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_M, \mathcal{E}_M, \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_M$ are integrals of GPDs $H, \tilde{H}, E, \tilde{E}$ appropriate for production of meson M

Models for exclusive VM production at small x

- at small x sensitivity mostly to gluons
- at very small x huge NLO corrections, large $\ln(1/x)$ terms (BFKL type logs)
- pQCD models to describe colour dipole-nucleon cross sections and meson WF



dipole transv. size

W-dep.

t-dep.

large

weak

steep

small

strong

shallow

- Frankfurt-Koepf-Strikman (FKS)

Phys.Rev. D57 (1998) 512

- Martin-Ryskin-Teubner (MRT)

Phys.Rev. D62 (2000) 014022

- Farshaw-Sandapen-Shaw (FSS)

Phys.Rev. D69 (2004) 094013

- Kowalski-Motyka-Watt (KMW)

Phys.Rev. D74 (2006) 074016

- Dosch-Ferreira (DF)

hep-ph/0610311 (2006)

→ sensitivity to different gluon density distributions

sensitivity to ρ^0 wave function

Recent ZEUS results on exclusive ρ^0 production

96-00 data: 120 pb⁻¹

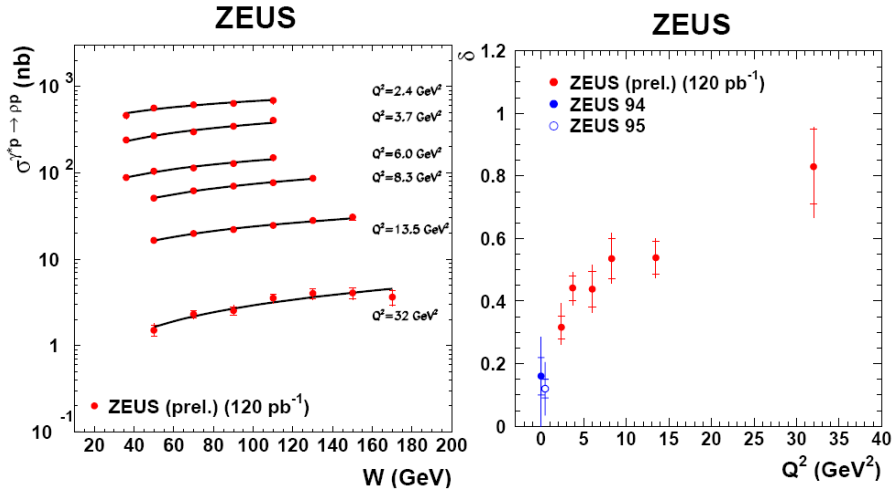
[arXiv:0708.1478\[hep-ex\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/0708.1478)

significant increase of precision
+ extended Q^2 range

$2 < Q^2 < 160 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $32 < W < 180 \text{ GeV}$
 $2 \cdot 10^{-4} < x_{\text{Bj}} < 10^{-2}$
 $|t| < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

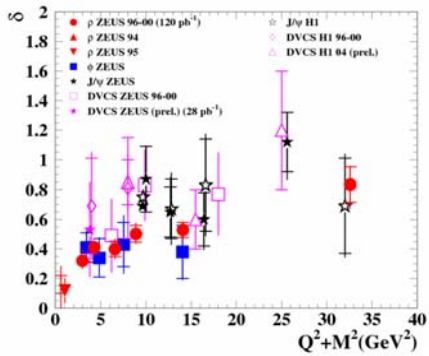
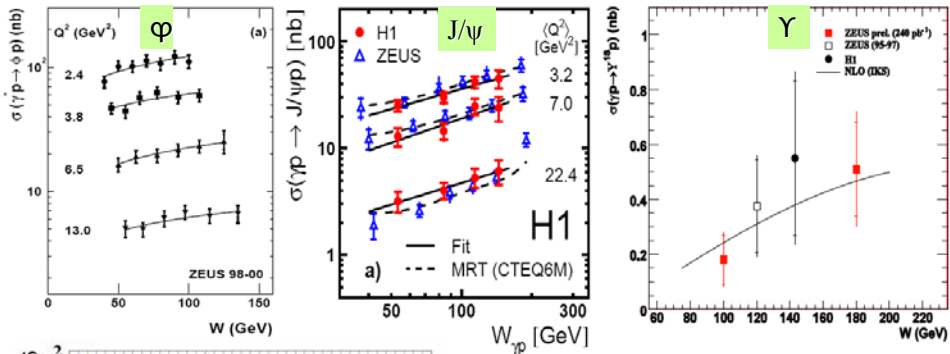
W-dependence

$$\sigma \propto W^\delta$$



➤ steeper energy dependence with increasing Q^2

W-dependence for hard exclusive processes at small x

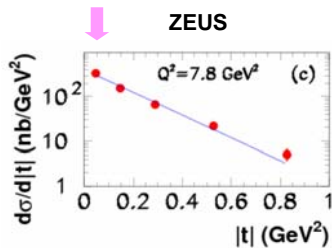


- steep energy dependence for all vector mesons in presence of hard scale Q^2 and/or M^2
- 'universality' of energy dependence at small x ?

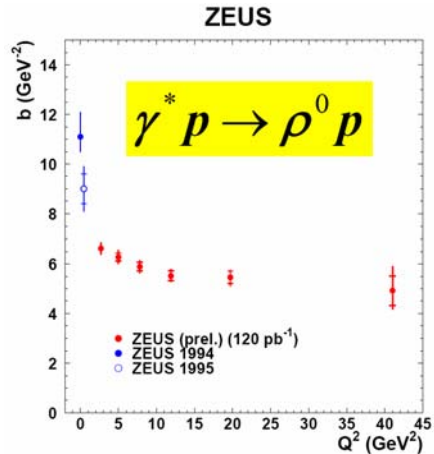
at $Q^2 + M^2 \approx 10$ GeV 2 still significant difference between ρ and J/ψ

$$d\sigma / dt - \rho^0$$

example (1 out of 6)

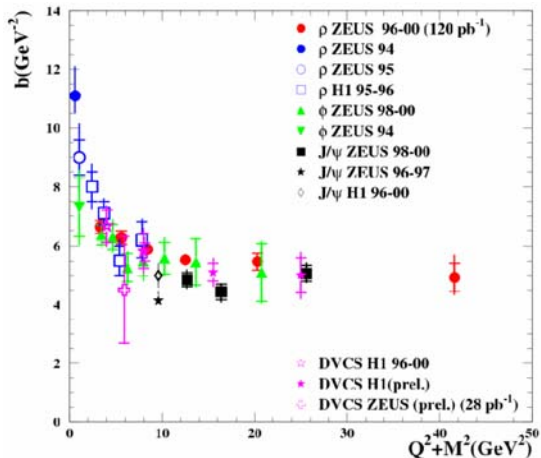


Fit $\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \propto e^{-b|t|}$



➤ shallower t-dependence with increasing Q^2

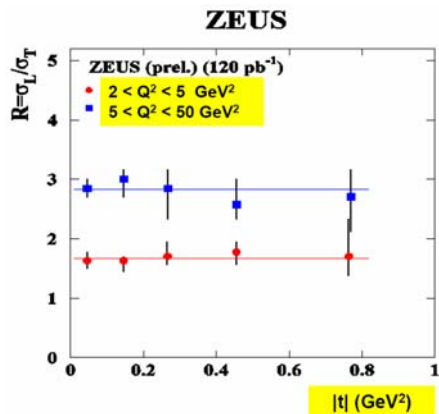
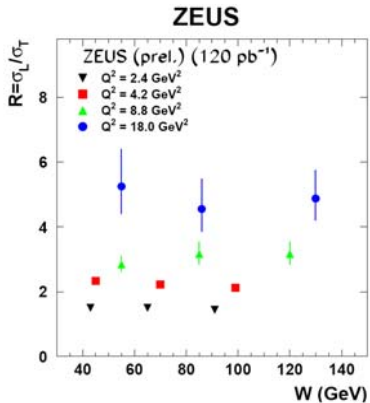
t-dependence for hard exclusive processes at small x



- b-slopes decrease with increasing scale Q^2 and/or M^2 approaching a limit $\approx 5 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ at large scales
- approximate 'universality' of slopes as a function of $(Q^2 + M^2)$

recent data suggestive of possible $\approx 15\%$ difference between ρ and J/ψ

Selected results on $R = \sigma_L/\sigma_T$ for ρ^0 production



the same W - and t -dependence for σ_L and σ_T

$$\delta_L \approx \delta_T$$



$$b_L \approx b_T$$

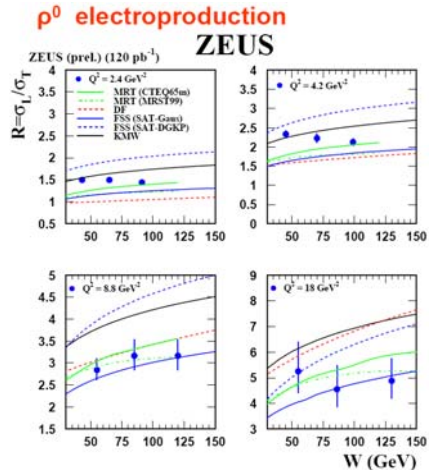
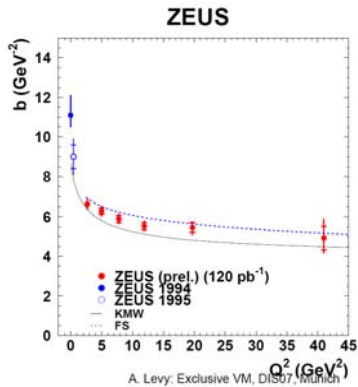


the same size of the longitudinal and transverse γ^* involved in hard ρ^0 production

i.e. contribution of large $q\bar{q}$ fluctuations of transverse γ^* suppressed

Comparison to theory

extensive comparison of the models to recent ZEUS ρ^0 data in [arXiv:0708.1478\[hep-ex\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/0708.1478)
below just selected examples



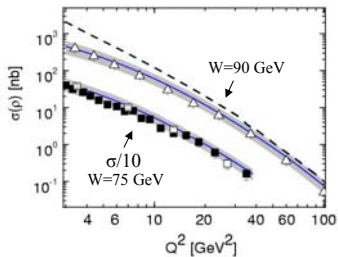
- considered models describe **qualitatively all features** of the data reasonably well
- recent ZEUS data are a challenge; **none** of the models gives at the moment satisfactory **quantitative description of all features** of the data

More comparison to theory

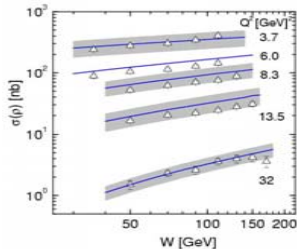
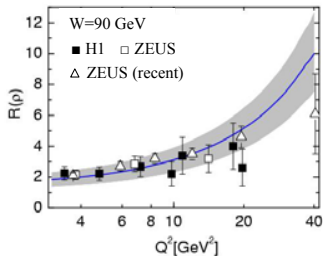
- Goloskokov-Kroll
arXiv:0708.3569[hep-ph]

'Hand-bag model'; GPDs from DD using CTEQ6
power corrections due to k_t of quarks included

➡ both contributions of γ_L^* and γ_T^* calculated



— complete calculation
- - - leading twist only (in collinear approx.)



- leading twist prediction above full calculation, even at $Q^2 = 100 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $\approx 20\%$
- contribution of σ_T decreases with Q^2 , but do not vanish even at $Q^2 = 100 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $\approx 10\%$
- sea quark contribution, including interference with gluons, non-negligible
 $25\% \text{ at } Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$

Exclusive ρ^0 production at 5.75 GeV from CLAS

$$e p \rightarrow e p \pi^+ (\pi^-)$$

strong interference with $\Delta^{++}\pi^-$ production + $f_0(980) + f_2(1270)$

strong correlation between Q^2 and x

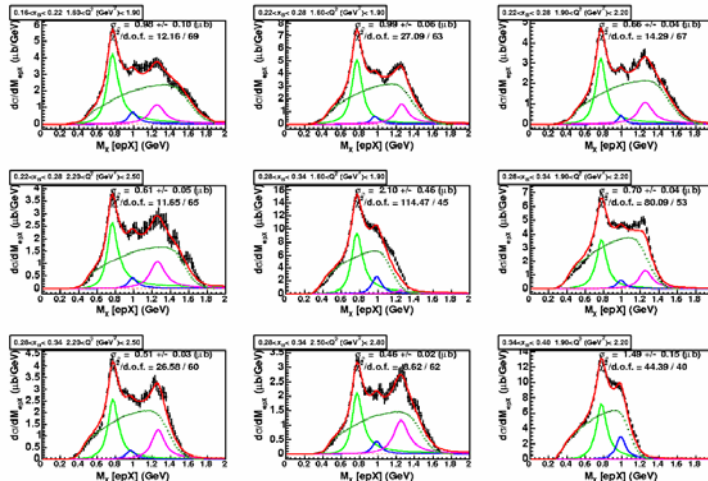
t_{\min} increases with Q^2 and x ($> 1.0 \text{ GeV}^2$ at $x > 0.5$)

$$1.6 < Q^2 < 5.6 \text{ GeV}^2$$

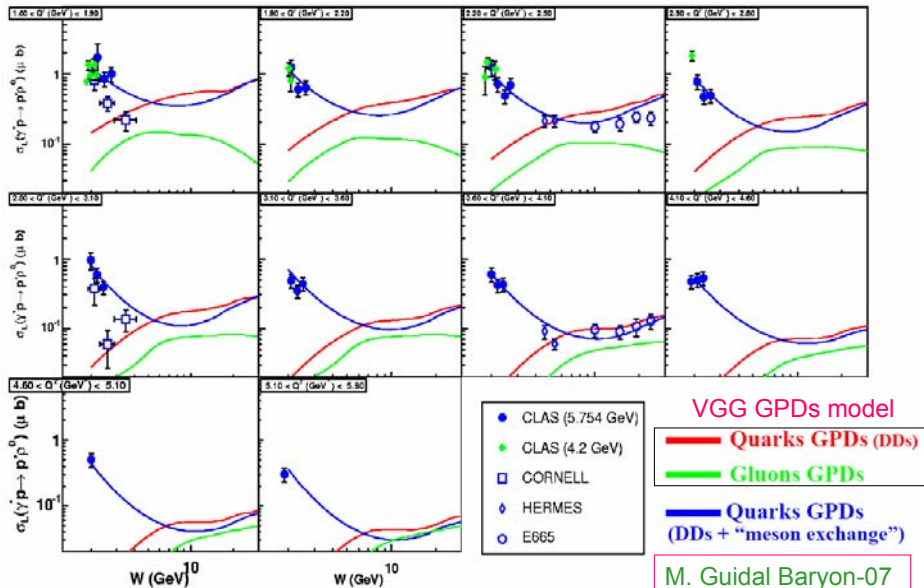
$$1.8 < W < 2.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$0.16 < x_{\text{Bj}} < 0.7$$

$$|t_{\min}| < |t| < 3 \text{ GeV}^2$$



Longitudinal cross section $\sigma_L(\gamma^*p \rightarrow \rho^0_L p)$ and various GPD contributions



similar agreement for Regge approach of Laget for the bins where data dominated by small t

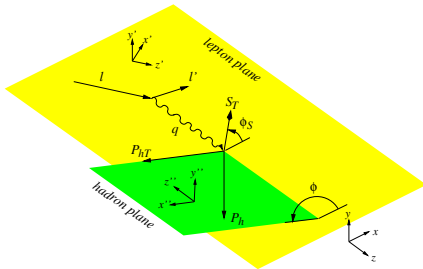
Transverse target spin asymmetry for exclusive ρ^0 production

Give access to GPD E related to the orbital angular momentum of quarks

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 dx x [H_q(x, \xi, t) + E_q(x, \xi, t)] \stackrel{t \rightarrow 0}{=} J_q = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma + L_q \quad \text{Ji's sum rule}$$

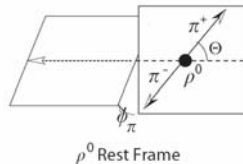
So far GPD E poorly constrained by data (mostly by Pauli form factors)

The asymmetry defined as
$$A_{UT}(\varphi, \varphi_s) = \frac{1}{S_T} \frac{d\sigma(\varphi, \varphi_s) - d\sigma(\varphi, \varphi_s + \pi)}{d\sigma(\varphi, \varphi_s) + d\sigma(\varphi, \varphi_s + \pi)}$$



to disentangle contributions from γ_L and γ_T the distribution of ρ^0 decay polar angle needed in addition

Diehl and Sapeta
Eur. Phys. J.C 41, 515 (2005)



Method for L/T separation used by HERMES

A. Rostomyan and J. Dreschler arXiv:0707.2486

Angular distribution $W(\cos \theta, \varphi, \varphi_S)$ and Unbinned Maximum Likelihood fit

Assuming SCHC

$$W(\cos \theta, \varphi, \varphi_S) \propto \left[\cos^2 \theta r_{00}^{04} \{1 + A_{UU, \rho L}(\varphi) + S_T A_{UT, \rho L}(\varphi, \varphi_S)\} + \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \theta (1 - r_{00}^{04}) \{1 + A_{UU, \rho T}(\varphi) + S_T A_{UT, \rho T}(\varphi, \varphi_S)\} \right]$$

where $A_{UU, \rho L(\rho T)}(\varphi) = A_{UU, \rho L(\rho T)}^{\cos(\varphi)} \cos(\varphi) + A_{UU, \rho L(\rho T)}^{\cos(2\varphi)} \cos(2\varphi)$

$A_{UT, \rho L(\rho T)}(\varphi) = A_{UT, \rho L(\rho T)}^{\sin(\varphi - \varphi_S)} \sin(\varphi - \varphi_S) + \dots$ (5 additional terms $A_{UT, \rho L(\rho T)}^{\sin(m\varphi \pm \varphi_S)} \sin(m\varphi \pm \varphi_S)$)

- $A_{UU, \rho L(\rho T)}^{\cos(\varphi)}$ and $A_{UU, \rho L(\rho T)}^{\cos(2\varphi)}$ obtained from SDMEs $r_{00}^5, r_{11}^5, r_{00}^1, r_{11}^1$
- $2 \times 6 = 12$ parameters $A_{UT, \rho L(\rho T)}^{\sin(m\varphi \pm \varphi_S)}$ from the fit

$$A_{UT, \rho L}^{\sin(\varphi - \varphi_S)} = -\frac{\text{Im} \sigma_{00}^{+-}}{\sigma_L} \sim \text{Im} (E_M^* H_M) / |H_M|^2$$

a prerequisite for the method: determination of acceptance correction

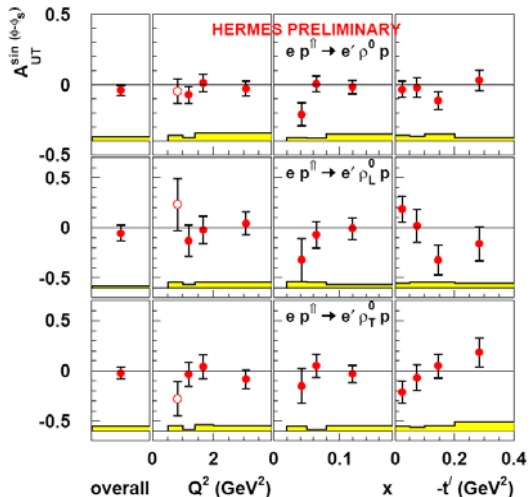
as a function of $\cos \theta$, φ and φ_S

ρ^0 transverse target spin asymmetry from HERMES

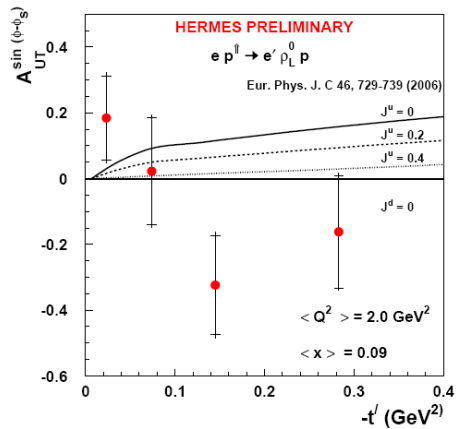
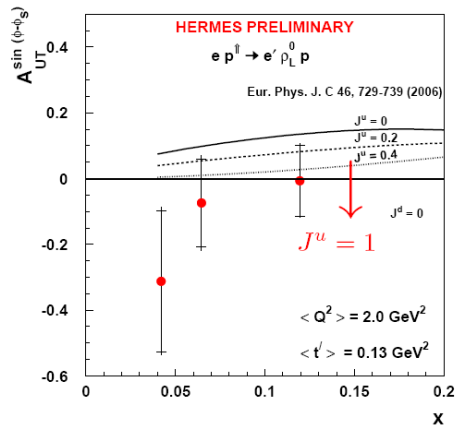
Transversely polarised **proton** target, $P_T \approx 75\%$
2002-2005 data, 171.6 pb⁻¹

$1 < Q^2 < 7 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $W^2 > 4 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $0.023 < x_{Bj} < 0.4$
 $|t'| < 0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$

➤ for the first time ρ^0 TTSA extracted separately for γ_L^* and γ_T^*



ρ^0 transverse target spin asymmetry from HERMES



➤ in a model dependent analysis data favours positive J_u

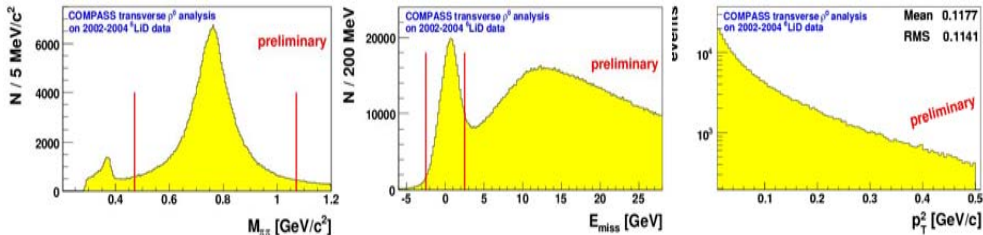
in agreement with DVCS results from HERMES

cf. talk by W.-D. Nowak

ρ^0 transverse target spin asymmetry from COMPASS

Transversely polarised **deuteron** target (${}^6\text{LiD}$), $P_T \approx 50\%$
2002-2004 data

$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $W > 5 \text{ GeV}$
 $0.005 < x_{Bj} < 0.1$
 $0.01 < p_t^2 < 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$



$A_{UT}^{\sin(\varphi - \varphi_S)}$ obtained using **Double Ratio Method**

in bins of $\vartheta = \varphi - \varphi_S$:

$$DR(\eta) = \frac{N_u^\uparrow(\eta) \cdot N_d^\uparrow(\eta)}{N_u^\downarrow(\eta) \cdot N_d^\downarrow(\eta)} = \frac{a_u^\uparrow(\eta) \cdot a_d^\uparrow(\eta)}{a_u^\downarrow(\eta) \cdot a_d^\downarrow(\eta)} \frac{[1 + \varepsilon \sin(\eta)]^2}{[1 - \varepsilon \sin(\eta)]^2}$$

$$\cong C \cdot [1 + 4\varepsilon \sin(\eta)]$$

u (d) are for upstream (downstream) cell of polarised target
arrows indicate transverse polarisation of corresponding cells

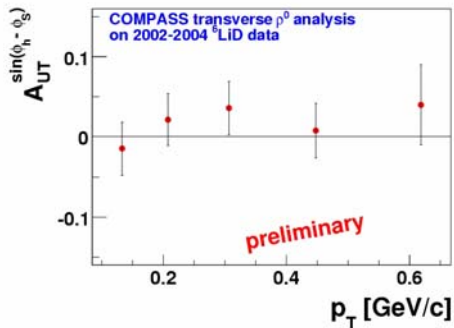
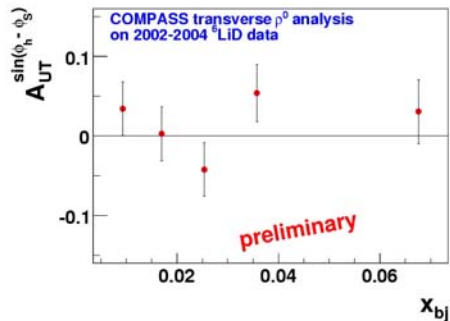
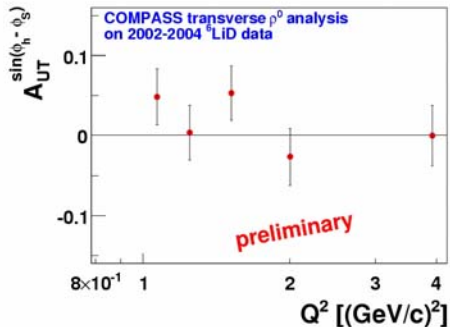
raw asymmetry ε
from the fit to $DR(\eta)$



$$A_{UT}^{\sin(\varphi - \varphi_S)} = \frac{\varepsilon}{f \cdot \langle P_T \rangle}$$

dilution factor $f \approx 0.38$

ρ^0 transverse target spin asymmetry from COMPASS



➤ asymmetry for deuteron target consistent with zero

ongoing work on:

- ❖ longitudinal/transverse separation
- ❖ separation of incoherent/coherent

in 2007 data taken with transversely polarised proton target (NH_3)

Longitudinal double-spin asymmetry for exclusive ρ^0 production (COMPASS)

arXiv:0704.1863[hep-ex]

longitudinally polarised **deuteron** target (${}^6\text{LiD}$), $P_T \approx 50\%$

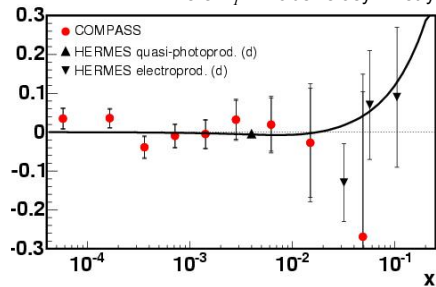
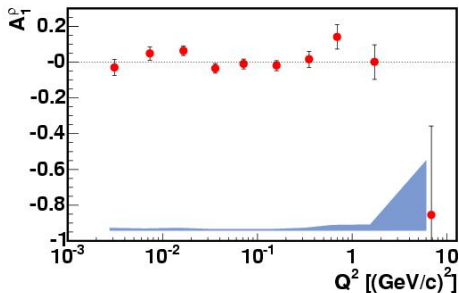
wide range of Q^2 and x , $W > 7.5 \text{ GeV}$, $0.15 < p_t^2 < 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

$$A_{LL}(\mu N \rightarrow \mu N \rho^0) = \frac{\sigma(\mu N)_{\uparrow\downarrow} - \sigma(\mu N)_{\uparrow\uparrow}}{\sigma(\mu N)_{\uparrow\downarrow} + \sigma(\mu N)_{\uparrow\uparrow}} = \frac{1}{f} \cdot \frac{1}{P_b} \cdot \frac{1}{P_t} \cdot A_{LL}^{raw}$$

$$A_1^\rho(\gamma^* N \rightarrow \rho^0 N) \approx \frac{1}{D} A_{LL}(\mu N \rightarrow \mu N \rho^0)$$

$$\text{curve: } A_1^\rho = \frac{2 A_1}{1 + (A_1)^2}$$

where A_1 – inclusive asymmetry (d)



- A_1^ρ on polarised deuterons consistent with 0
- at small Q^2 and x precise constraint on contribution of exchanges with unnatural parity
- at large Q^2 A_1^ρ related to GPDs (higher-twist) $\propto k_T^2 \tilde{H}_g / (Q^2 H_g)$
Goloskokov, Kröll (2006)

Spin Density Matrix Elements

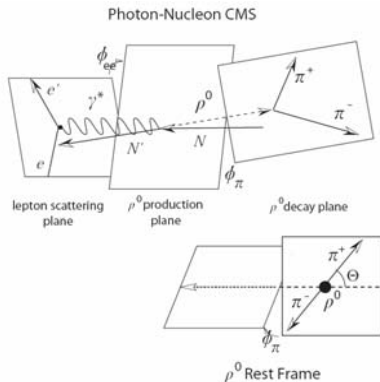
VM angular distributions $W(\cos\theta, \varphi, \Phi)$ depend on the **spin density matrix elements** (SDME) \Rightarrow 23 (15) observables with polarized (unpolarized) beam

SDMEs are bilinear combinations of the helicity amplitudes

$$T_{\lambda_m \lambda_\gamma}(\gamma^* N \rightarrow m N)$$

$$\lambda_\gamma = \pm 1, 0 \quad \lambda_m = \pm 1, 0$$

(averaged over nucleon spins)



❖ describe helicity transfer from γ^* to VM
s-channel helicity conservation (SCHC)

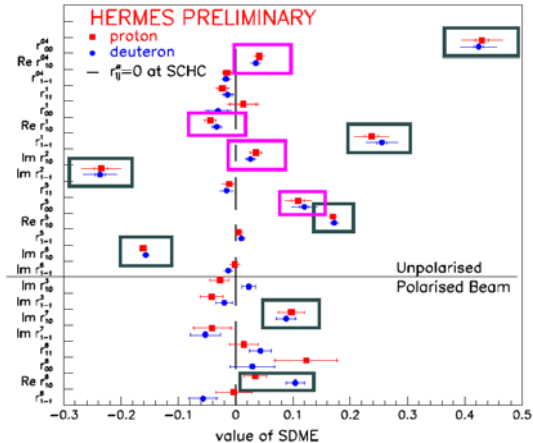
❖ describe parity of t-channel exchange
(NPE vs. UPE)

❖ impact on GPD studies – determination of σ_L

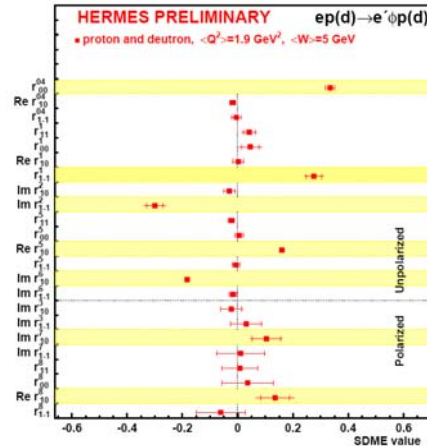
$$\text{SDME } r_{00}^{04} \xrightarrow{\text{SCHC}} R = \frac{\sigma_L}{\sigma_T}$$

Spin Density Matrix Elements from HERMES

ρ^0



ϕ



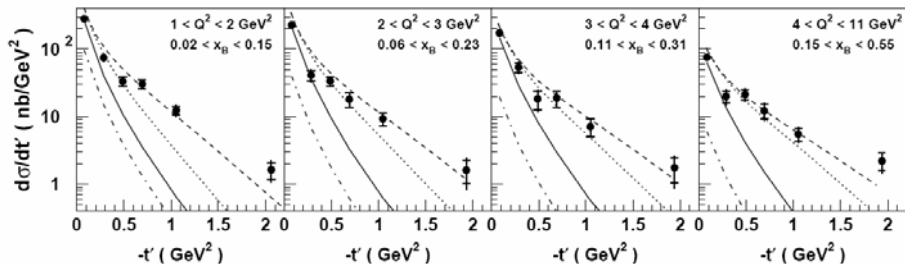
- for ρ^0 s-channel helicity violation in $\text{Re} r_{10}^{04}$, $\text{Re} r_{10}^1$, $\text{Im} r_{10}^2$ (mild) and r_{00}^5 ($\sim 10\%$)
- for ρ^0 a (small) contribution of unnatural-parity exchanges seen
- for ϕ no s-channel helicity violation
- for proton and deuteron targets SDMEs (mostly) the same

$$e p \rightarrow e n \pi^+$$

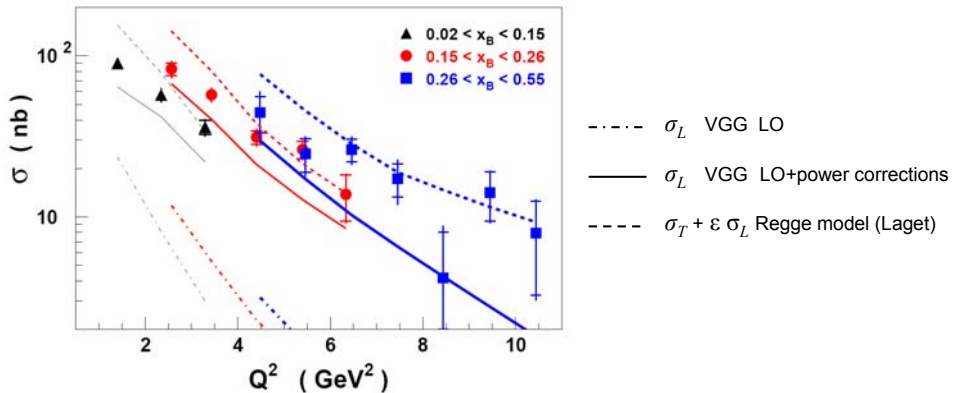
1996-2005 data with proton target (unpolarised and polarised)

$$\begin{aligned} 1 < Q^2 < 11 \text{ GeV}^2 \\ W^2 > 11 \text{ GeV}^2 \\ 0.02 < x_{\text{Bj}} < 0.55 \\ |t'| < 2 \text{ GeV}^2 \end{aligned}$$

- ❖ L/T separation at HERMES not possible
- ❖ σ_T expected to be suppressed as $1/Q^2$
dominance of σ_L at large Q^2 supported by Regge model (Laget 2005)
- ❖ at leading twist σ_L sensitive to GPDs \tilde{H} and \tilde{E}
- ❖ at small $|t'|$ \tilde{E} dominates as it contains t -channel pion-pole



Exclusive π^+ production from HERMES



- LO calculations underestimate the data
- data support magnitude of the power corrections (k_t and soft overlap)
- Regge calculations provides good description of the magnitude of σ_{tot} and of t' and Q^2 dependences

Beam spin asymmetry in exclusive π^0 production from CLAS

$$e p \rightarrow e p \pi^0$$

2005 data, $E_e = 5.77$ GeV, all final state particles measured
Extended acceptance for γ 's due to installation of Inner Calorimeter

$$\begin{aligned} 1 < Q^2 < 4.5 \text{ GeV}^2 \\ W > 2 \text{ GeV} \\ 0.1 < x_{\text{Bj}} < 0.55 \\ 0.09 < |t| < 1.8 \text{ GeV}^2 \end{aligned}$$

- ❖ essentially no experimental data for neutral pseudoscalar mesons in this range
- ❖ at leading twist σ_L sensitive to GPDs \tilde{H}
- ❖ no t -channel pion-pole (in contrast to exclusive π^+ production)
- ❖ magnitude of σ_T contribution unknown

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{\gamma^* p \rightarrow p \pi^0}}{dt d\varphi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \varepsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \varepsilon \cos 2\varphi \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \cos \varphi \frac{d\sigma_{TL}}{dt} + h \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \sin \varphi \frac{d\sigma_{TL'}}{dt} \right)$$

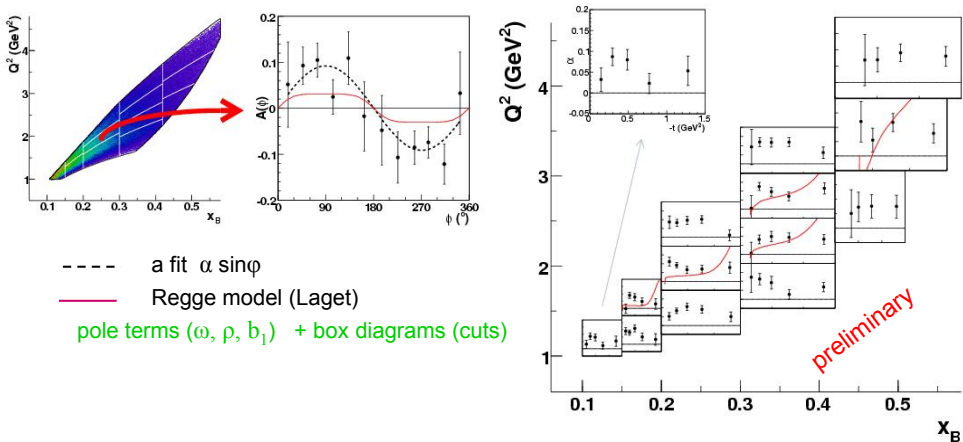
$h = \pm 1$ is the beam helicity

Beam Spin Asymmetry has the following φ dependence

$$A_{LU} = \frac{d^4 \bar{\sigma} - d^4 \bar{\sigma}}{d^4 \bar{\sigma} + d^4 \bar{\sigma}} = \frac{\alpha \sin \varphi}{1 + \beta \cos \varphi + \gamma \cos 2\varphi}$$

- ❖ any non-zero BSA would indicate L - T interference
i.e. contribution not described in terms of GPD's

Beam spin asymmetry in exclusive π^0 production from CLAS



- first measurement of BSA for exclusive π^0 production above resonance region
- sizeable BSA (0.04 – 0.11) indicate that both transverse and longitudinal amplitudes participate
- necessity for L/T separation and measurements at higher Q^2

Cross sections for exclusive π^0 production from JLAB HALL A DVCS Collab.

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t-slope close to 0, maybe even small negative

PRELIMINARY

$$Q^2 = 2.3 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$x_{\text{Bj}} = 0.36$$

$$\epsilon = 0.64$$

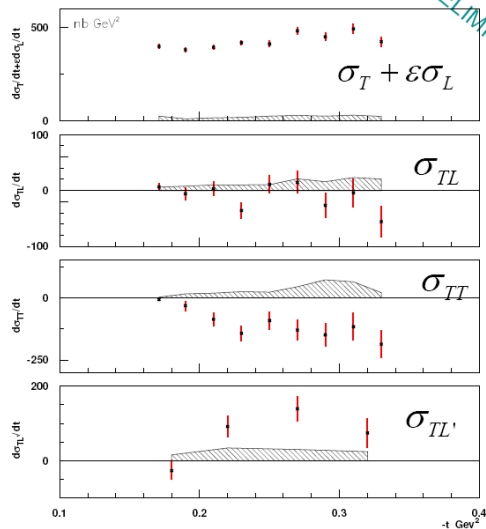
$$\chi^2 = 1.11$$



from P. Bertin, Baryon-07

more in talk of A. Camsonne

Corrected for real+virtual RC
Corrected for efficiency
Corrected for acceptance
Corrected for resolution effects



Regge model (Laget) underestimates
cross sections $\approx 5x$

Prospects for more results on exclusive meson production

➤ Other ongoing analyses of the data already taken

- ZEUS + H1 data from HERA II : ρ^0 , ϕ , J/ψ , Υ cross sections + SDMEs
- HERMES : ρ^0 , ϕ SDMEs + unpolarised cross sections for full set of data including 2006-2007, expected factor of 2 gain in accuracy, hopefully with RD π^+ transverse target spin asymmetry (protons)
- COMPASS : ρ^0 TSA for polarised deuterons with γ^*_L - γ^*_T separation
- CLAS : ρ^+ , ϕ , π^+ , π^0 and η cross sections

➤ Data being taken or expected soon

- COMPASS : ρ^0 from transversely polarised proton target (2007)
mesons from longitudinally polarised proton target (2007 (?))
- Hall A DVCS Coll.: π^0 Rosenbluth separation (2009)
- CLAS : π^0 and η cross sections and BSA (2008), LTA (2009)

➤ Future projects with impact on GPDs

- COMPASS : DVCS and DVMP with Recoil Detector, large LH (LD) target and extended EM calorimetry , ρ up to 20 GeV², γ , ω , ϕ , π and η up to 7 GeV² (2010)
- JLAB 12 GeV Upgrade (2014) cf. talk by B. Wojtsekhowski
- PANDA at FAIR (2014) cf. next-to-last talk on Saturday
- EIC (> 2014) cf. talk by H. Kowalski

Conclusions

- New precise data on cross sections and SDME's result in significantly more stringent constraints on the models for DVMP
- To describe present data on DVMP, both at large and small x , including power corrections (or higher order pQCD terms) is essential
- First experimental efforts in DVMP to constrain GPD E and quark orbital momentum
- A rich program of future experiments and projects with impact on studies of DVMP and GPDs

Backup slides

GPDs properties, link to DIS and elastic form factors

Generalized Parton distributions
 $H^q, E^q, \tilde{H}^q, \tilde{E}^q(x, \xi, t)$

Link to form factors (sum rules)

$$\int_{-1}^1 dx H^q(x, \xi, t) = F_1^q(t), \quad \int_{-1}^1 dx E^q(x, \xi, t) = F_2^q(t)$$
$$\int_{-1}^1 dx \tilde{H}^q(x, \xi, t) = g_A^q(t), \quad \int_{-1}^1 dx \tilde{E}^q(x, \xi, t) = h_A^q(t)$$

Link to DIS at $\xi=t=0$

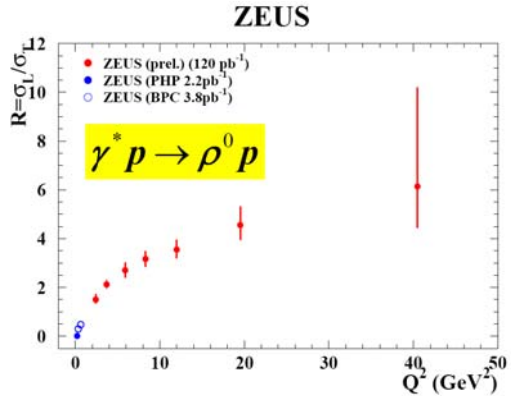
$$H^q(x, 0, 0) = q(x) = -\bar{q}(-x)$$
$$\tilde{H}^q(x, 0, 0) = \Delta q(x) = -\Delta \bar{q}(-x)$$

No similar relations for E^q and \tilde{E}^q

Access to **quark angular momentum** (Ji's sum rule)

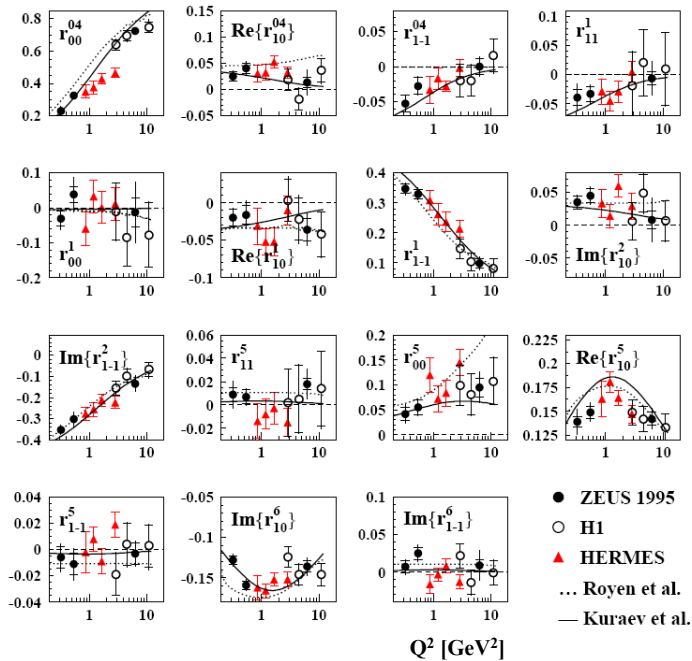
$$J_q = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma_q + L_q = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x dx [H^q(x, \xi, 0) + E^q(x, \xi, 0)]$$

$$R = \sigma_L / \sigma_T (Q^2) \quad - \quad \rho^0$$



- σ_L dominant at large Q^2
- suppression of σ_T at large Q^2 weaker than $1/Q^2$

Q²-dependence of SDMEs



Spin Density Matrix Elements from HERMES

SDMEs According to Hierarchy of Amplitudes without & with Helicity Flip: ρ^0, ϕ

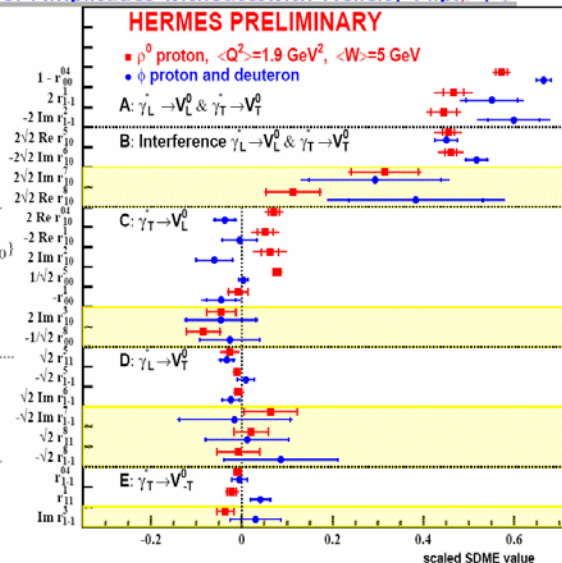
- A, $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_L^0$ and $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_T^0$
 $|T_{11}|^2 \propto 1 - r_{00}^{04} \propto r_{1-1}^1 \propto -\text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^2\}$

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

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

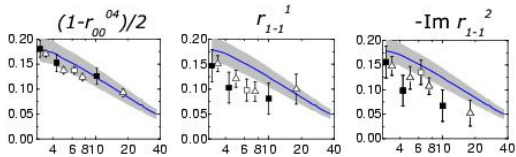
- D, Spin Flip: $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_T^0$
 $\text{Re}\{T_{10}T_{11}^*\} \propto r_{11}^5 \propto r_{1-1}^5 \propto \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^6\}$
 $\text{Im}\{T_{10}T_{11}^*\} \propto \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^7\} \propto r_{11}^8 \propto r_{1-1}^8$

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

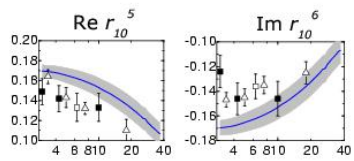


⇒ **Hierarchy of ρ^0 amplitudes:** $|T_{00}| \sim |T_{11}| \gg |T_{01}| > |T_{10}| \gtrsim |T_{1-1}|$, (0 → L, 1 → T)

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



← ρ^0



φ →

