

# Progress towards obtaining multidimensional maps of the nucleon inner constituents

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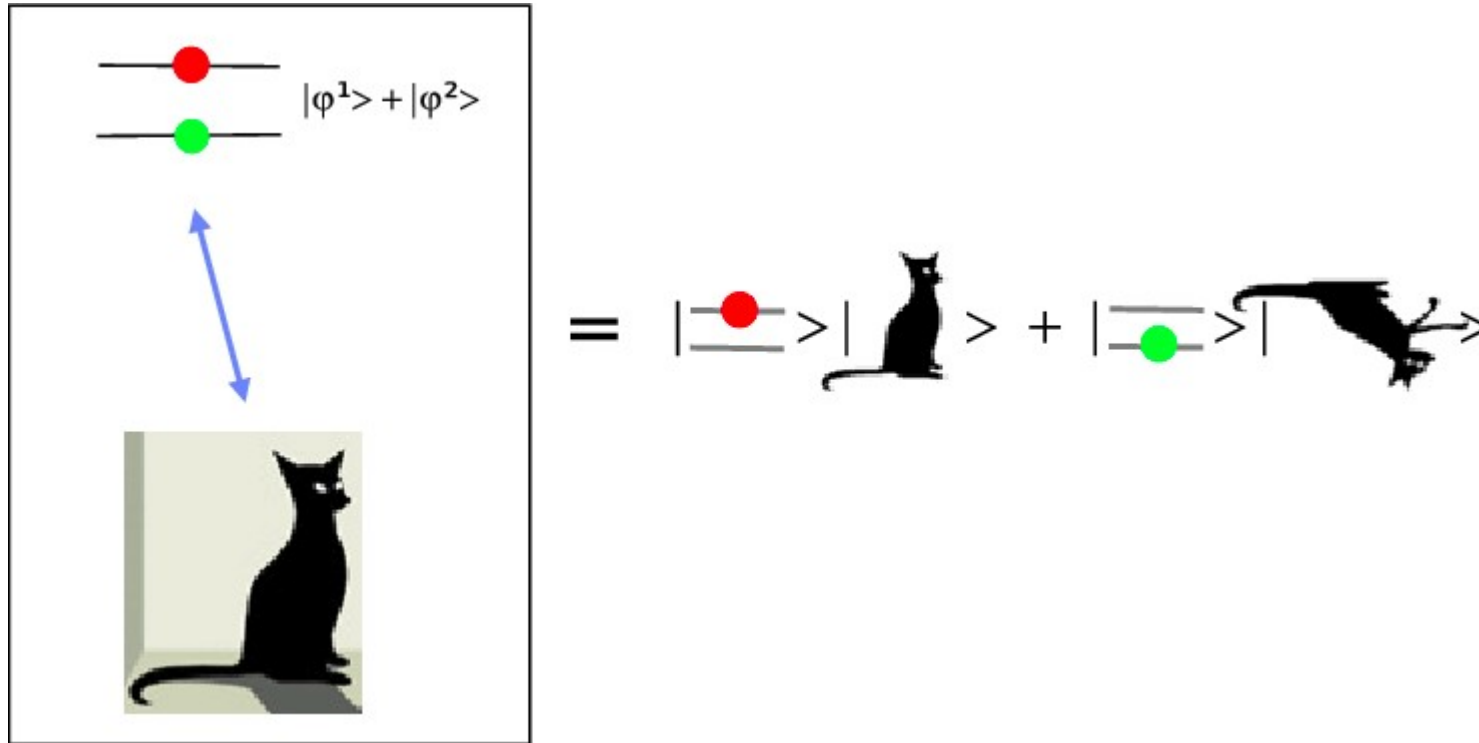
# Where do we start?

One day, I asked Mr. S. “What is inside your box?”



# Where do we start?

Well, he said something like that:



# Where do we start?

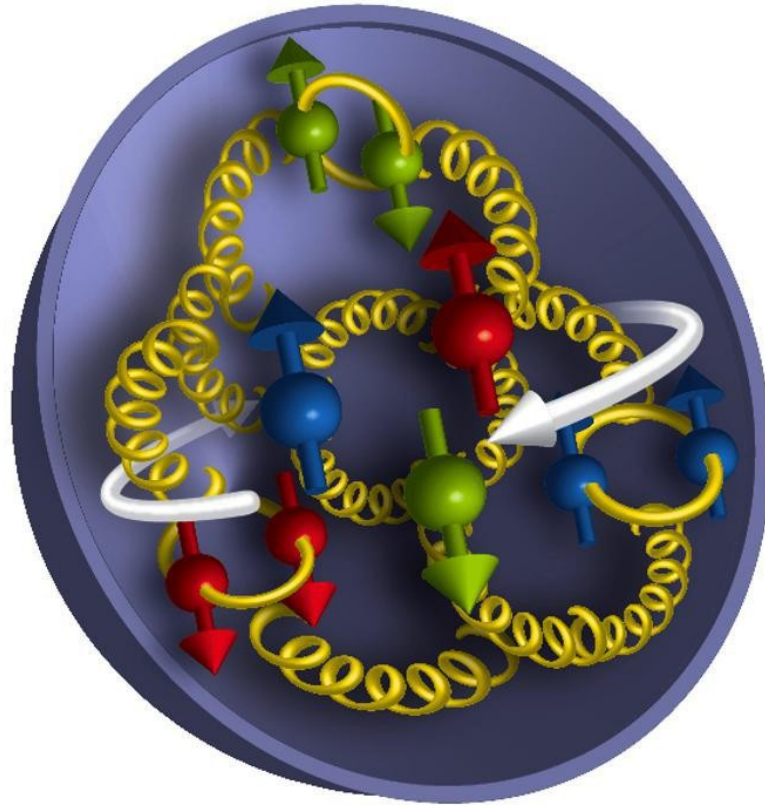
Me: but inside the cat? And inside the inside of the inside of the...?



Well, someone asked the same question thousands years ago...

Me: but what is there inside atoms? And inside inside atoms?

# What is inside nucleons?



Quarks, antiquarks, gluons

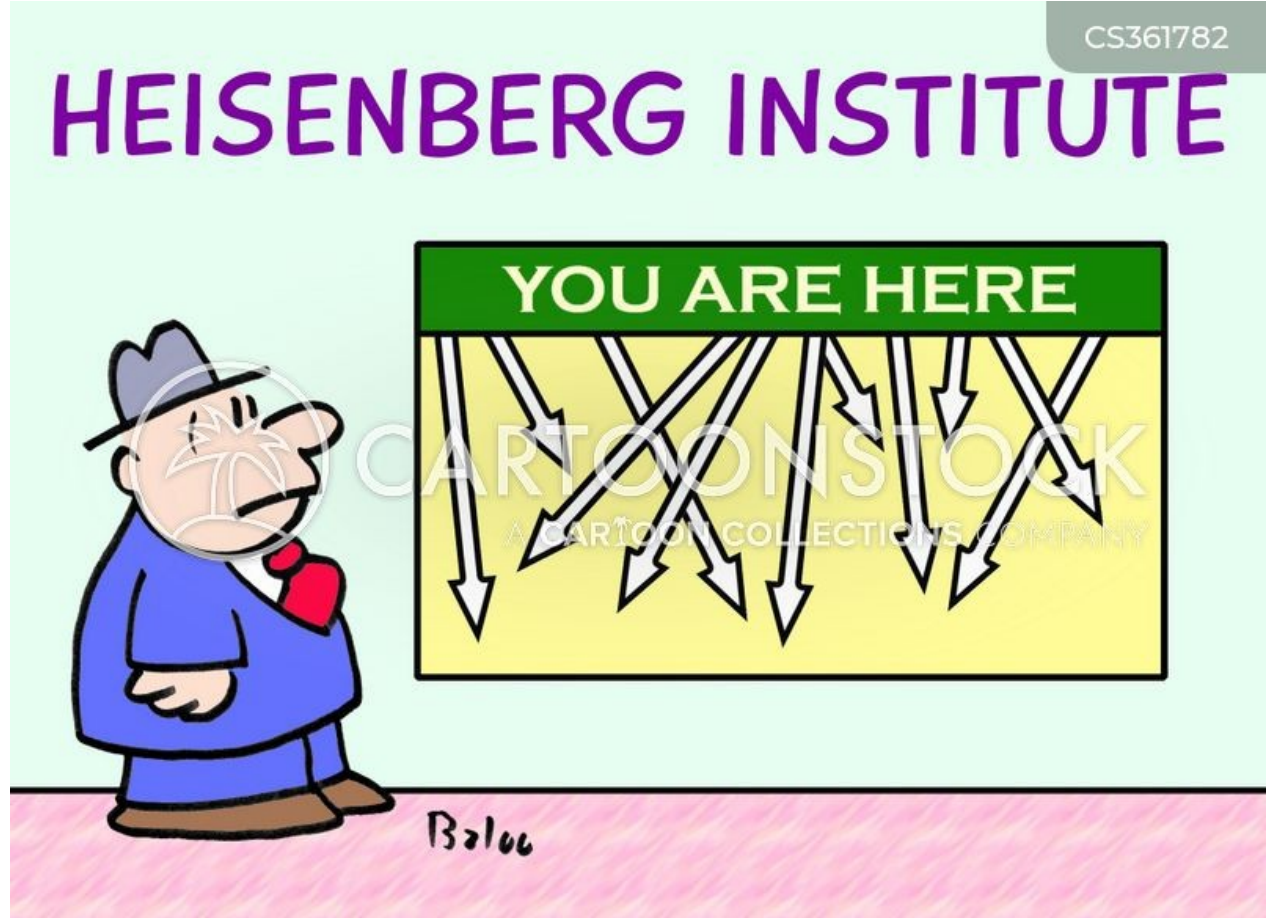
Dynamic effects: spin, angular momentum correlation...



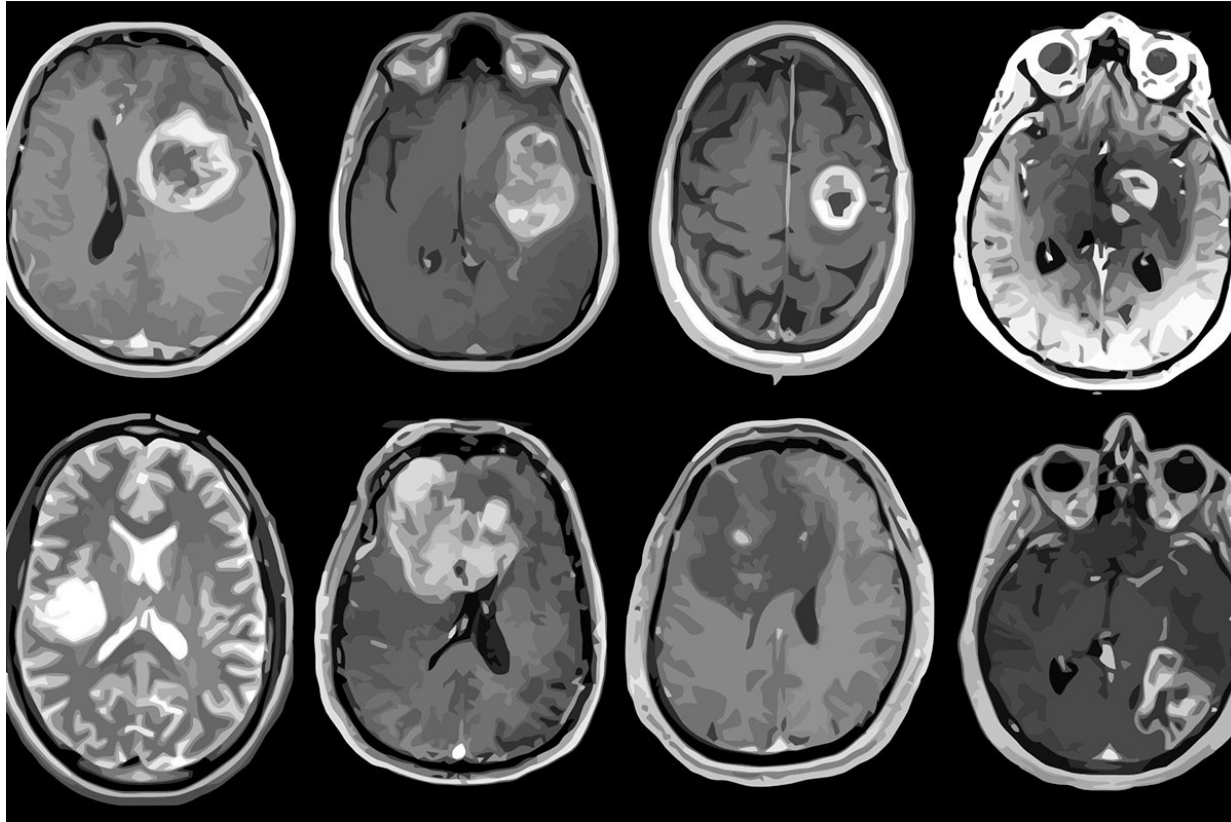
# What we want to probe?



Ideally, position and momentum of the partons with spin...



# Nucleon Tomography

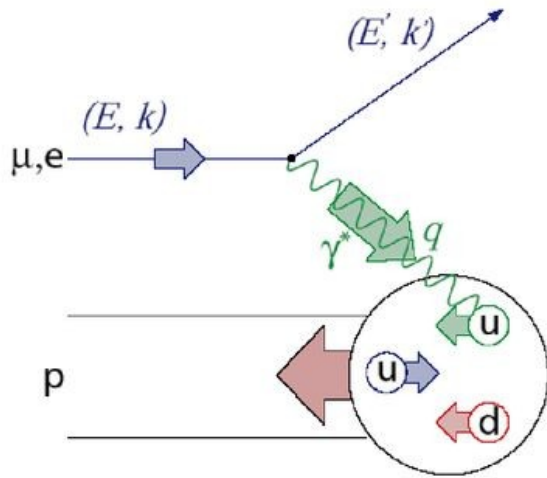


Multidimensional imaging, not like “classical 3D” pictures

quarks = bones, antiquarks = vessels, muscles = gluons...

We can obtain such image!

# “1D”: longitudinal momentum in Deep Inelastic Scattering



$$Q^2 = -(k - k')^2 \stackrel{lab}{=} 4EE' \sin^2 \frac{\vartheta}{2}$$

$$P \cdot q \stackrel{lab}{=} M\nu = M(E - E')$$

$$P \cdot k \stackrel{lab}{=} ME$$

$$x \stackrel{lab}{=} \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu} = \frac{-q^2}{2P \cdot q}$$

$$y \stackrel{lab}{=} \frac{\nu}{E} = \frac{P \cdot q}{P \cdot k}$$

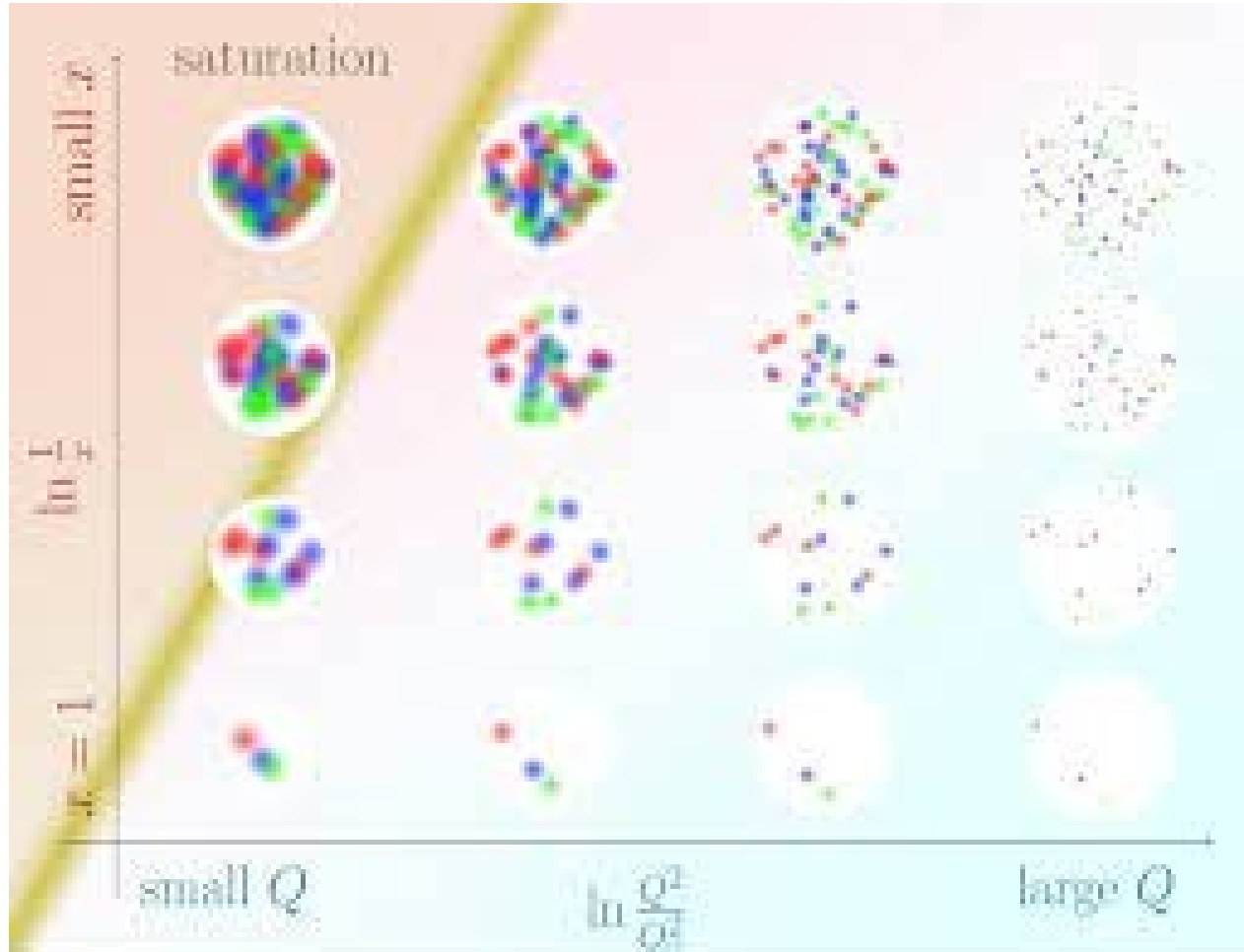
$$0 \leq x, y \leq 1$$

Bjorken- $x$ : fraction of longitudinal momentum carried by the struck quark in infinite-momentum frame (Breit)



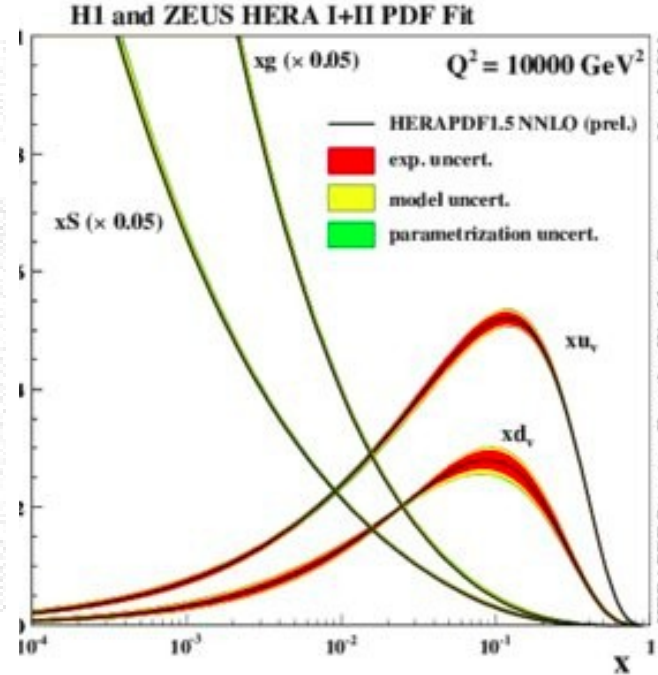
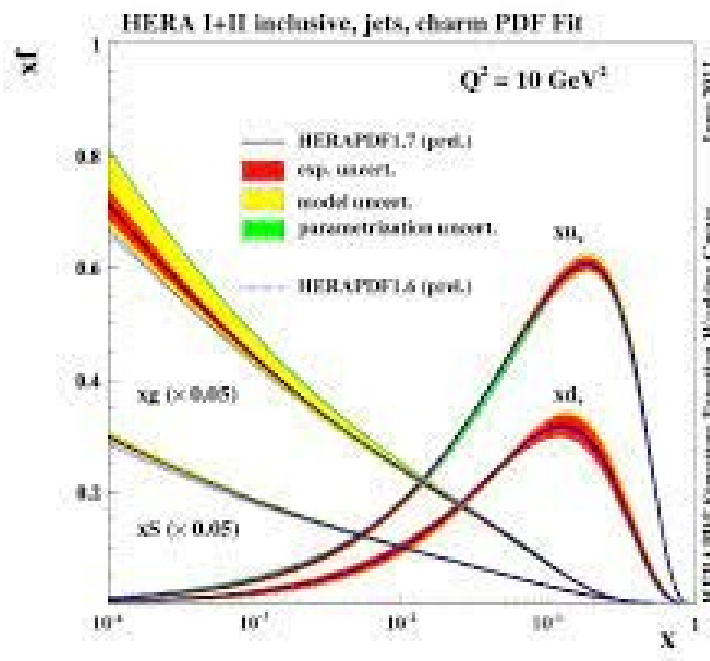
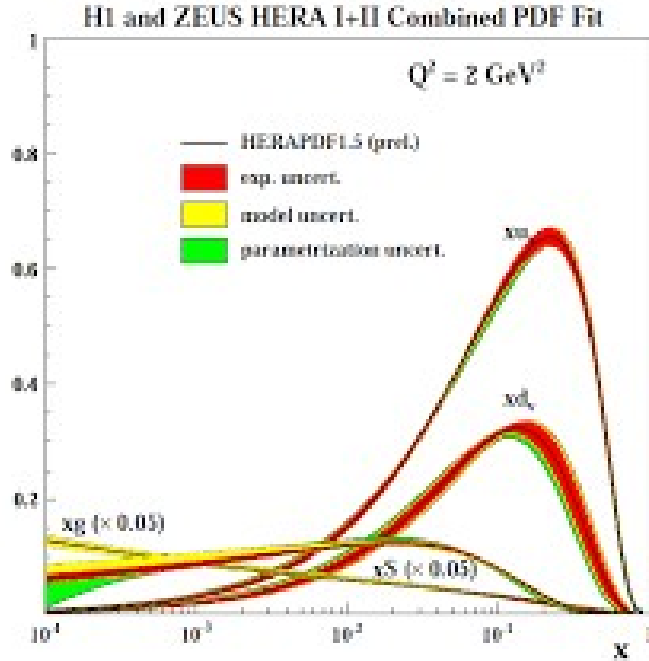


# “1D”: longitudinal momentum in Deep Inelastic Scattering Momentum fraction “ $x$ ” and resolution/virtuality “ $Q^2$ ”



# "1D": longitudinal momentum in Deep Inelastic Scattering

How to interpret the momentum fraction in terms of constituents density



Valence quark dominates  
 High  $x$ , JLab , HERMES  
 Lower energy experiments

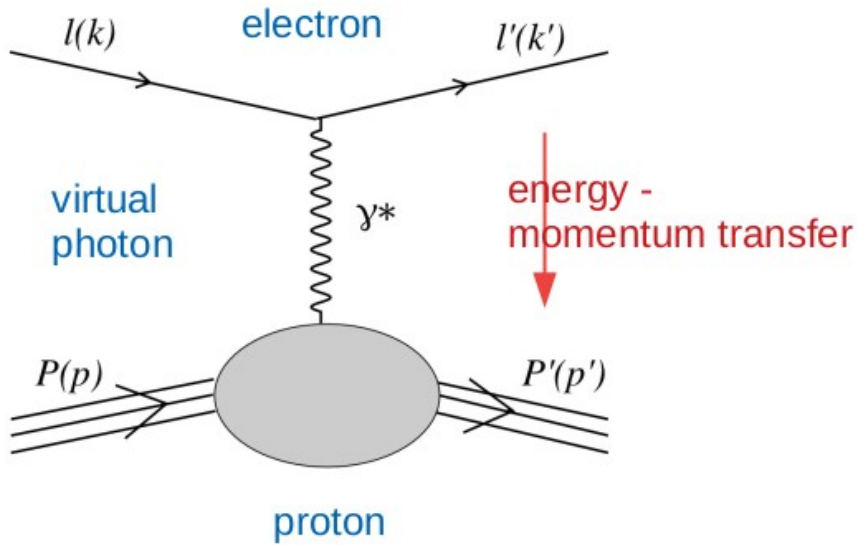
COMPASS

gluon dominates  
 Low  $x$ , colliders HERA, EIC...  
 High energy, colliders

HERAPDF Structure Function Working Group June 2011

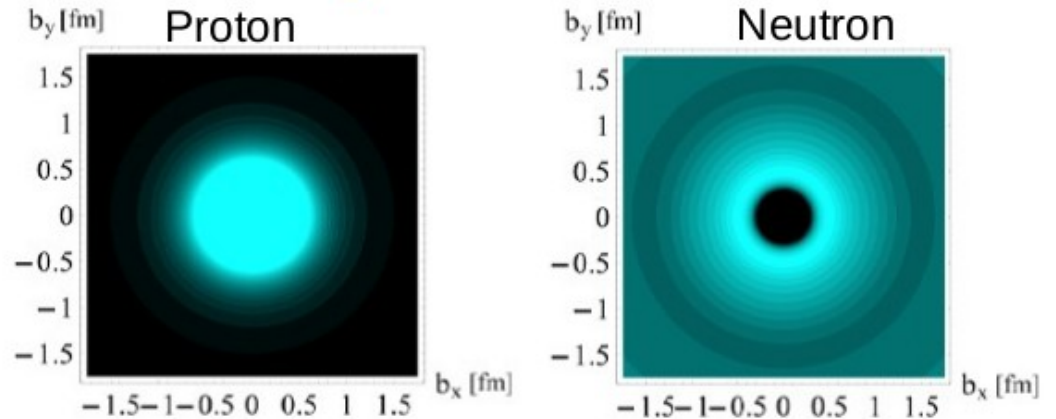
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# “2D”: Transverse position



Momentum transfer squared  $t$

transverse charge distributions (from M. Vanderhaeghen)



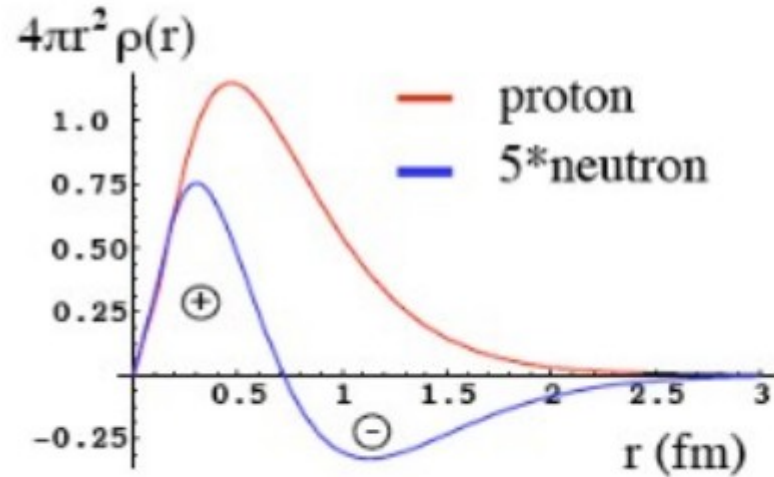
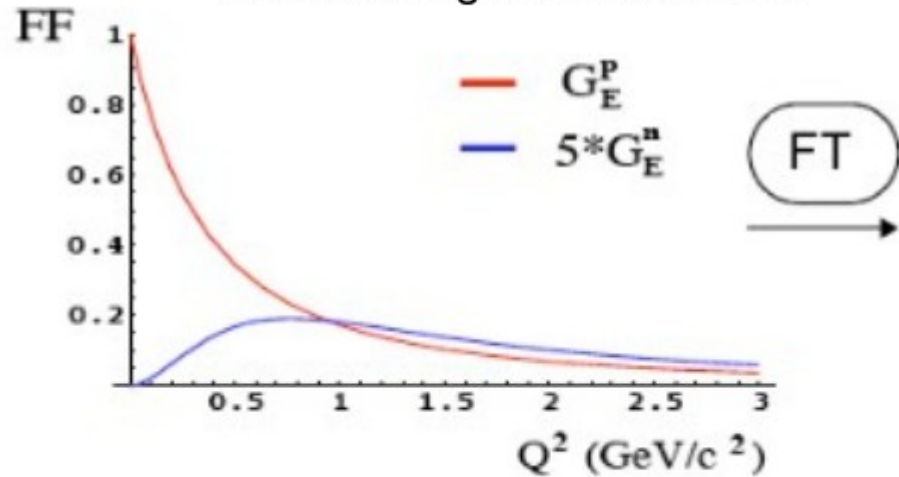
# “2D”: Transverse position

Elastic scattering  $\Rightarrow$  lateral deformation of electric and magnetic structure

Screening from other charges (quarks, antiquarks)  $\Rightarrow$  probe only "sees" partial charge

Form Factors:  
correction to probability  
of scattering off the nucleon

Charge  $\equiv$  quarks distributions



Form factors characterize the charge density

# 3D: “transverse position vs longitudinal momentum”

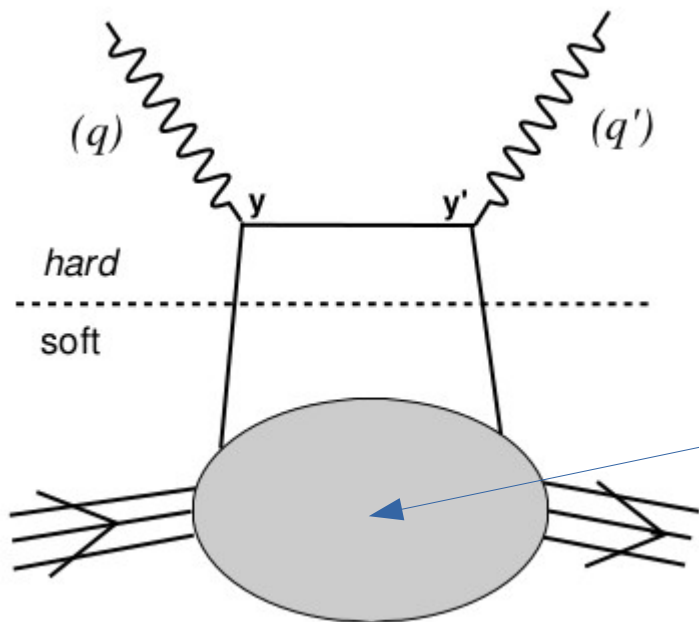
Reaction:

**Deep Inelastic** Regime to probe partons (off-diagonal matrix element)

**Exclusive** to access non-zero transfer momentum (off-forward matrix element)

Matrix elements combination sensitive to Spin-parity and nature of final particle (parity and flavor)

Mass of final particle is a lever arm to access certain kinematics of the functions



Base handbag diagram “off quark”

Generalized Parton Distribution

Depends on

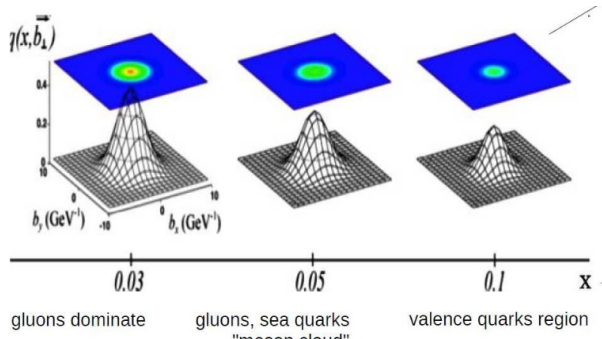
$t$  Mandelstam,  $(p-p')^2$

$x$ : longitudinal momentum transfer (“hard part”)

$x$ : momentum of the parton

$q, q'$  virtuality for NLO, higher twist terms

# Transverse position in “slices” of momentum

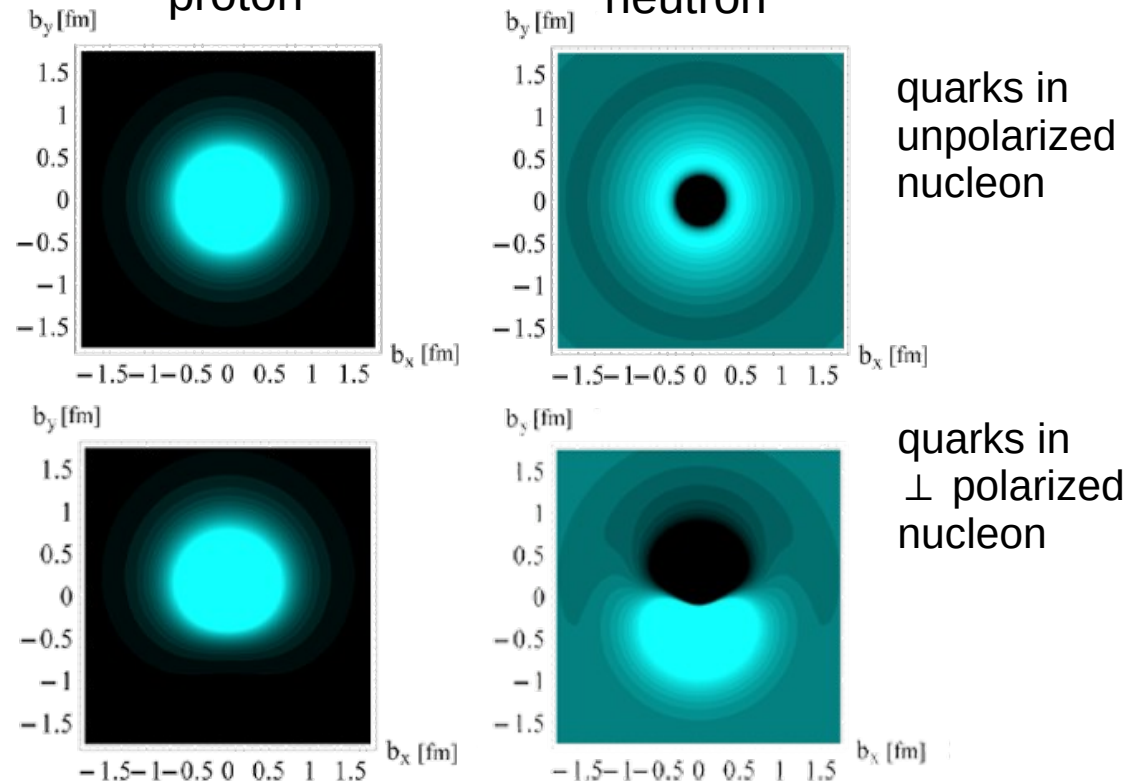


“slices” →

Each slice have different ratio of gluons and various variety (flavor) of quarks

Like slices from MRI

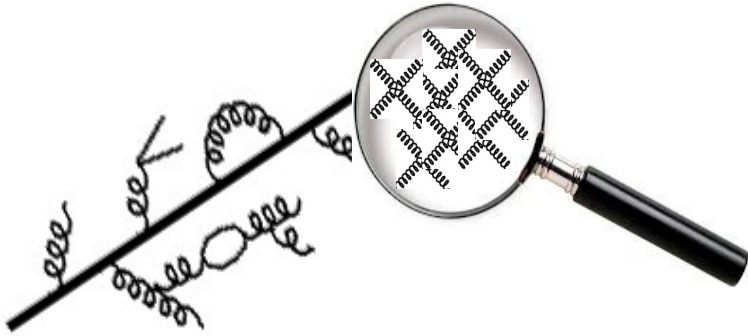
quarks x dependent transverse position distribution in transversely polarized nucleon



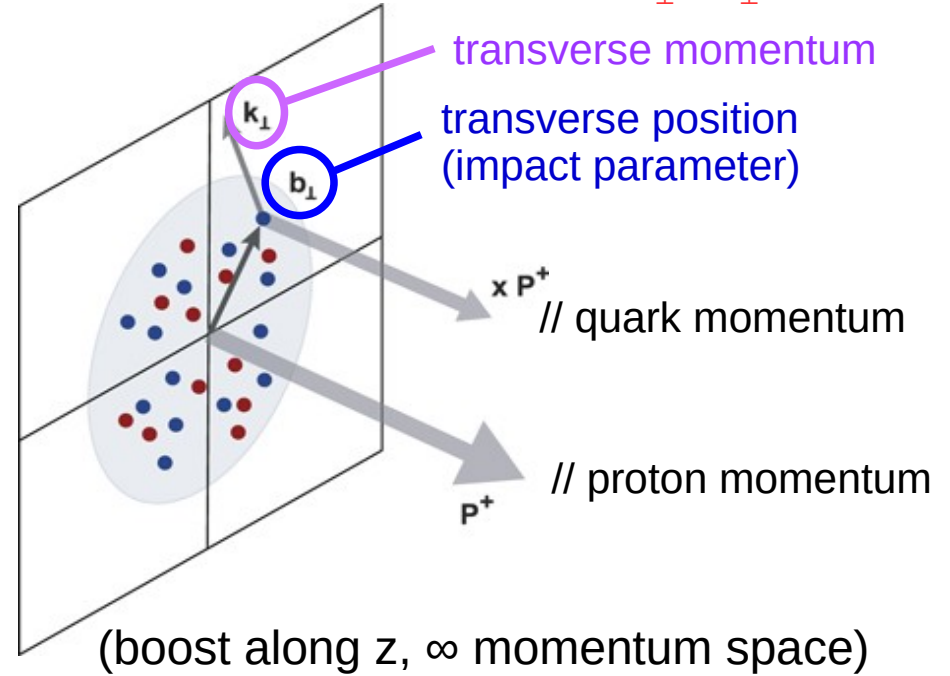


# From 1D to “3D” to “5D”

- **Virtuality:  $q^2$**   
→ resolution of the probe



- **Transverse distributions:  $k_{\perp}$ ,  $b_{\perp}$**



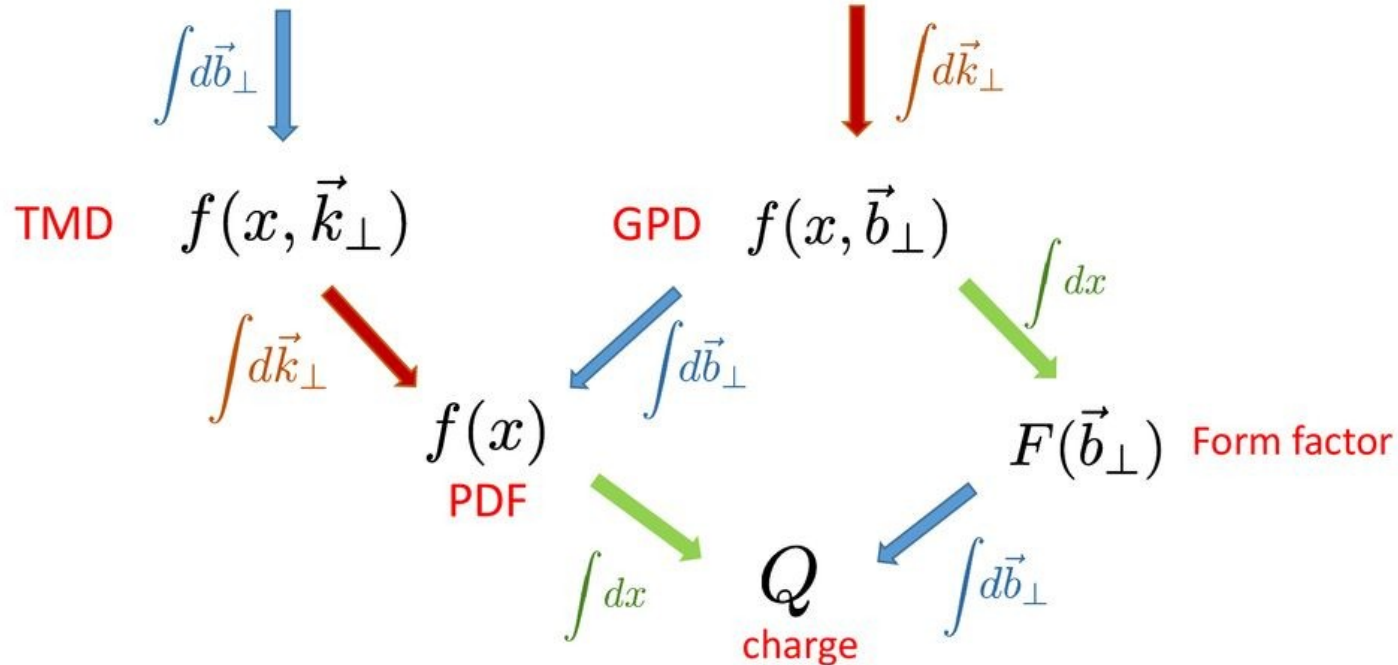
# From 1D to “3D” to “5D”

5D tomography:

Wigner distribution— the “mother distribution”

Belitsky, Ji, Yuan (2003);  
Lorce, Pasquini (2011)

$$W(x, \vec{k}_\perp, \vec{b}_\perp) = \int \frac{d^2 \Delta_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{\Delta}_\perp} \int \frac{dz^- d^2 z_\perp}{16\pi^3} e^{ixP^+ z^- - i\vec{k}_\perp \cdot \vec{z}_\perp} \langle P - \frac{\Delta}{2} | \bar{q}(-z/2) \gamma^+ q(z/2) | P + \frac{\Delta}{2} \rangle$$



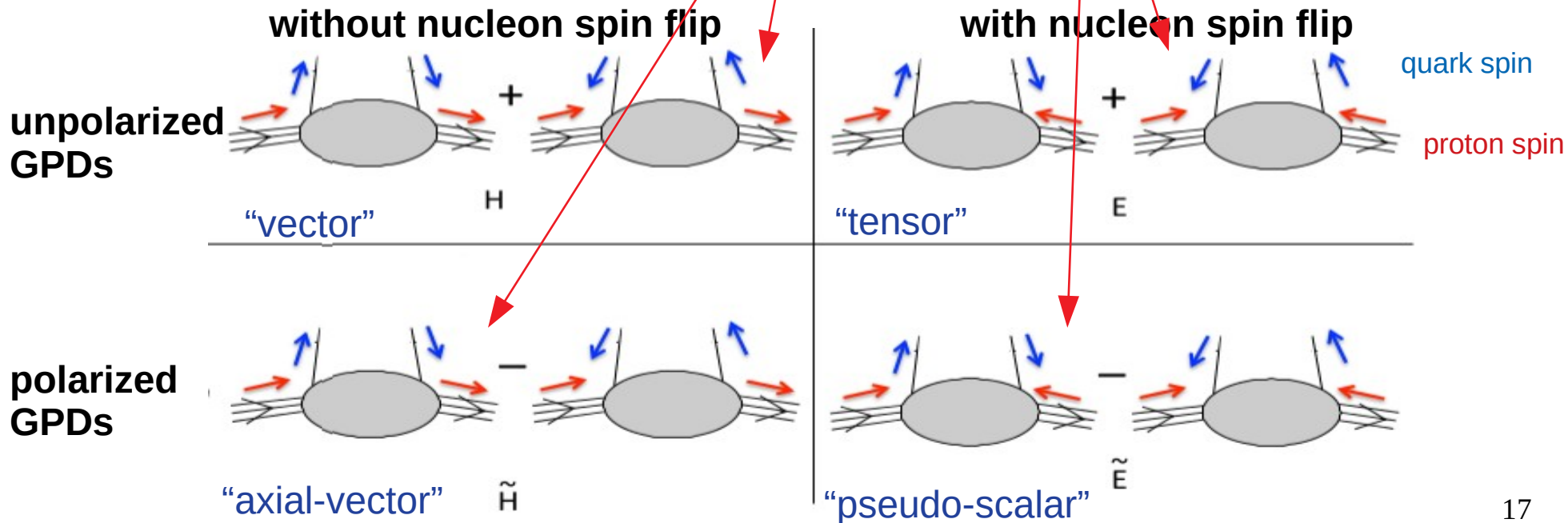
# Generalized Parton Distributions

Non calculable part of cross section and Generalized Parton Distributions: [Ji's 1997 conventions]

$$H_{\mu\nu}^{\text{TCS}} = \frac{1}{2} (-g_{\mu\nu})_{\perp} \int_{-1}^1 dx \left( \frac{1}{x - \xi - i\epsilon} + \frac{1}{x + \xi + i\epsilon} \right) \cdot \left( H(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \not{n} u(p) + E(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') i\sigma^{\alpha\beta} n_{\alpha} \frac{\Delta_{\beta}}{2m} u(p) \right) - \frac{i}{2} (\epsilon_{\nu\mu})_{\perp} \int_{-1}^1 dx \left( \frac{1}{x - \xi - i\epsilon} - \frac{1}{x + \xi + i\epsilon} \right) \cdot \left( \tilde{H}(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \not{n} \gamma_5 u(p) + \tilde{E}(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \gamma_5 \frac{\Delta \cdot n}{2m} u(p) \right),$$

quark loop part

nucleon structure



# Hard Exclusive Reactions

Incoming photon: real or spacelike photon ( $Q^2$ )

Outgoing particle:

1) **Meson**: here vector mesons only

HEMP = Hard Exclusive Meson Production

- “light”: rho, omega...

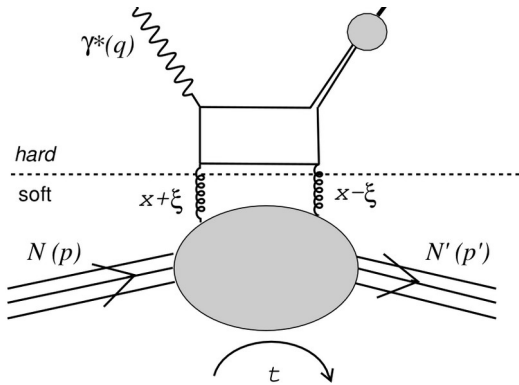
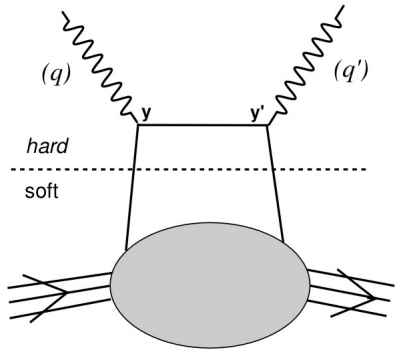
- “heavy”: J/psi, Upsilon...

2) **Photon**:

Real: DVCS Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering

Timelike Virtual Photon: TCS or DDVCS

Timelike Compton or Double compton Scattering

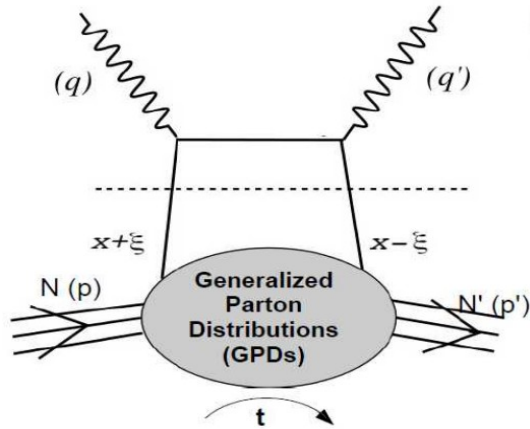


Note: factorization line

Generic handbag diagrams

# Generalized Parton Distributions

Handbag diagram example



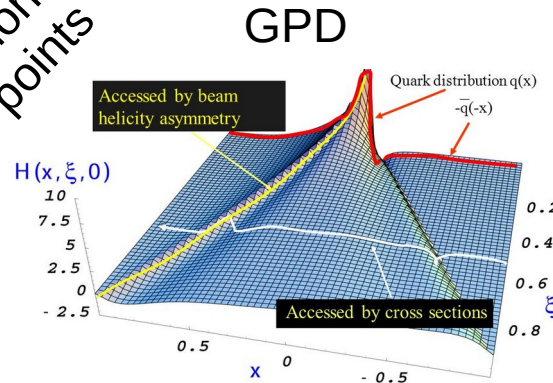
GPD: matrix element that connect N and N' and contain quark/gluons interactions

- Contain information about quark and gluon position, spin, ...

1. Extracted at xi (// momentum) and t (momentum transfer <sup>2</sup>) from experimental data

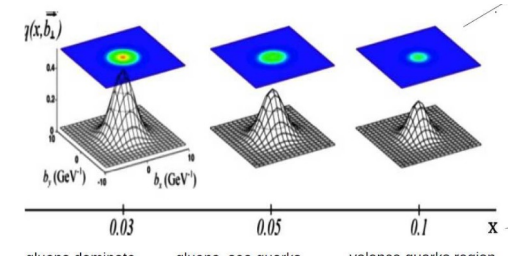
“Compton Form Factors”: Complex functions of amplitudes

2. Extrapolation to physics points



3. Fourier transform

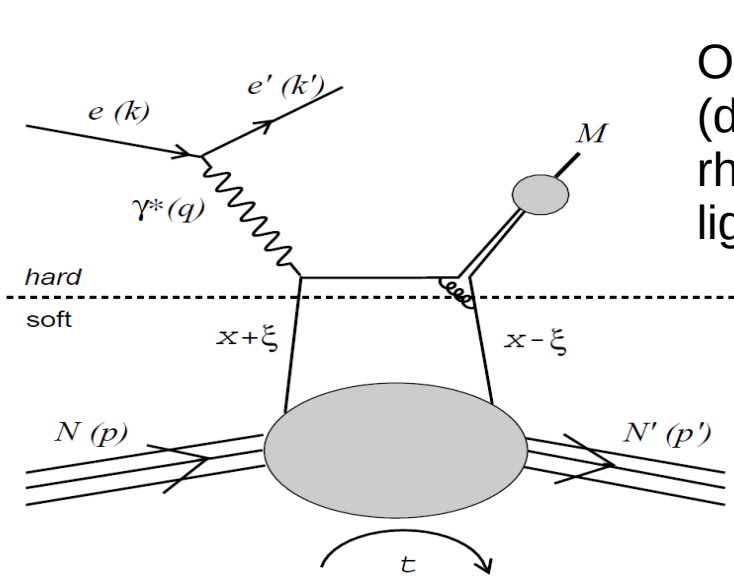
Momentum dependent Impact parameter functions



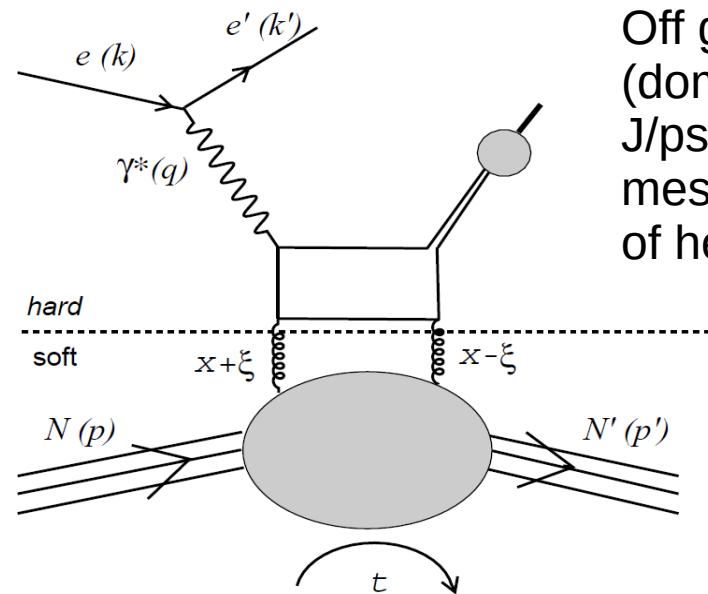
# Spin-parity, flavor decomposition, quark/gluons...

- Mesons come with various flavor content, and favor a certain spin parity: Depends on spin, isospin, parity, flavor of valence quarks...

## Extracting GPDs from meson for flavor decomposition and studies of certain GPDs



Off quark  
(dominant for  
rho & omega,  
light mesons)

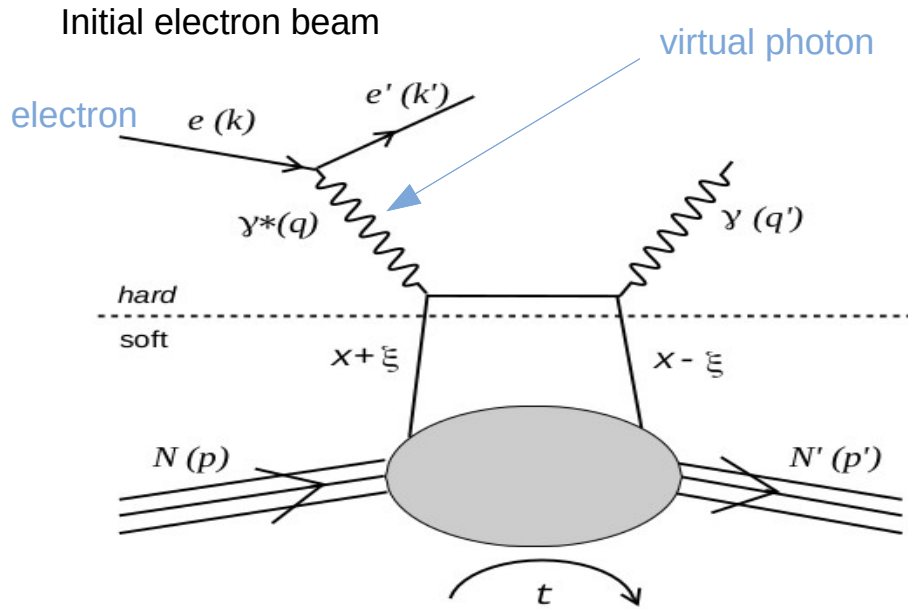


Off gluon  
(dominant for  
J/psi, Y, heavy  
mesons made  
of heavy quarks)

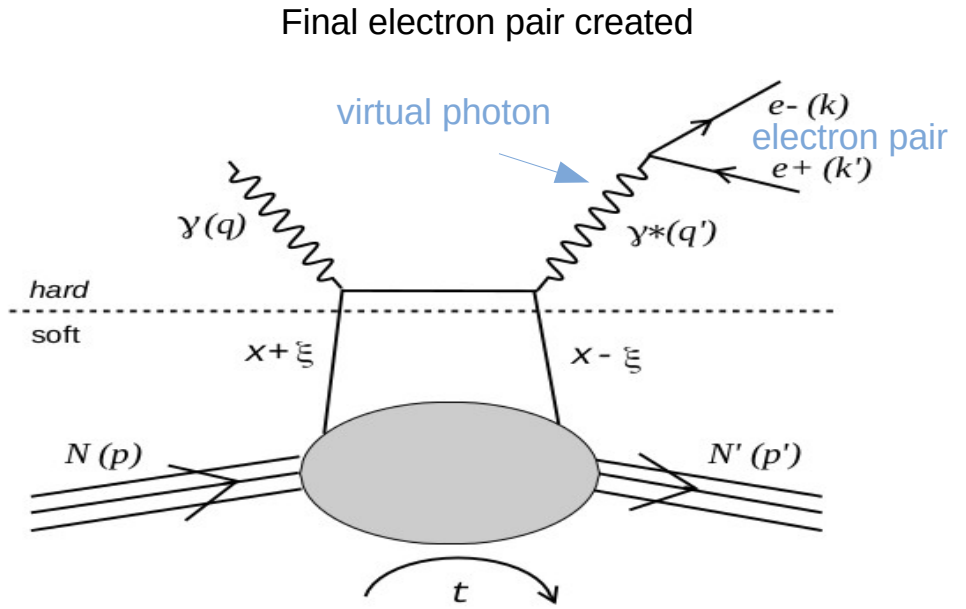
Focus on vector meson: factorization proof + high cross section, neglect higher twist



# Hard exclusive Virtual Compton Scattering



Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)



Timelike Compton Scattering (TCS)

Both reactions access **same** Generalized Parton Distributions, same kinematics Leading order, leading twist

⇒ Many experiments measuring spacelike DVCS, **Future experiments will measure Timelike Compton Scattering**

**Goal: GPDs universality, complementary measurements of polarization observables to constrain all GPDs...**

# Extraction of GPDs from Compton Form Factors

DVCS amplitude decomposition into Compton Form Factors (TCS similar):

$\xi, t =$  measurable  
 $x =$  integrals

$$T^{DVCS} \sim \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{H(x, \xi, t)}{x \pm \xi + i\epsilon} dx + \dots \sim \underbrace{P \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{H(x, \xi, t)}{x \pm \xi} dx}_{\text{Re}(\mathcal{H})} - \underbrace{i\pi H(\pm \xi, \xi, t)}_{\text{Im}(\mathcal{H})} + \dots$$

Probing GPD  $x$  vs  $\xi$  dependence with experimental observables:

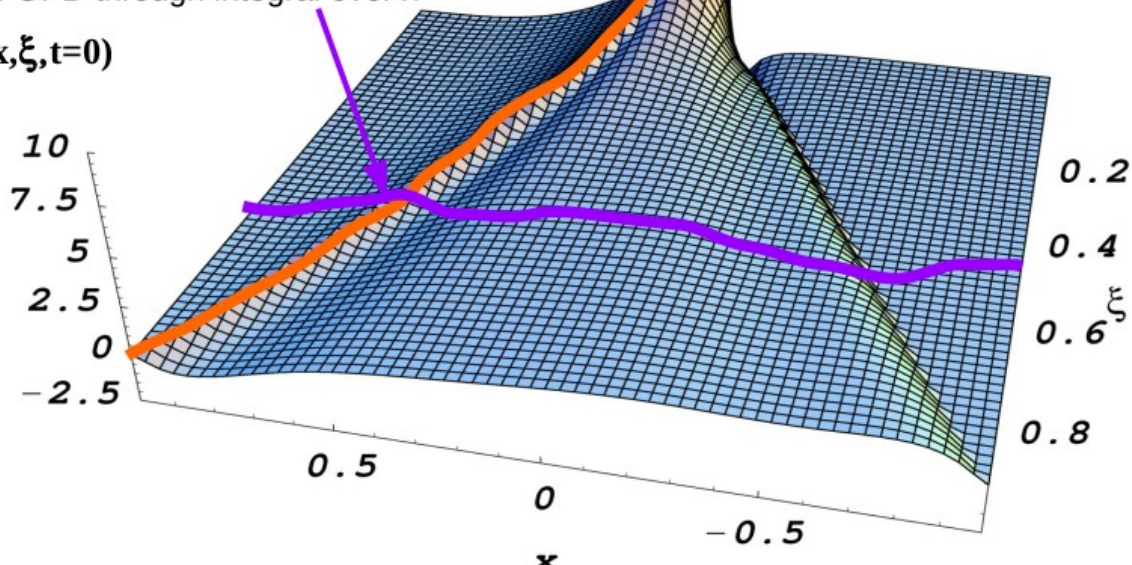
**Re(CFF)** from DVCS and TCS

Cross section, double spin asymmetries,  
 DVCS charge asym or TCS linearly pol. photon  
 Access GPD through integral over  $x$

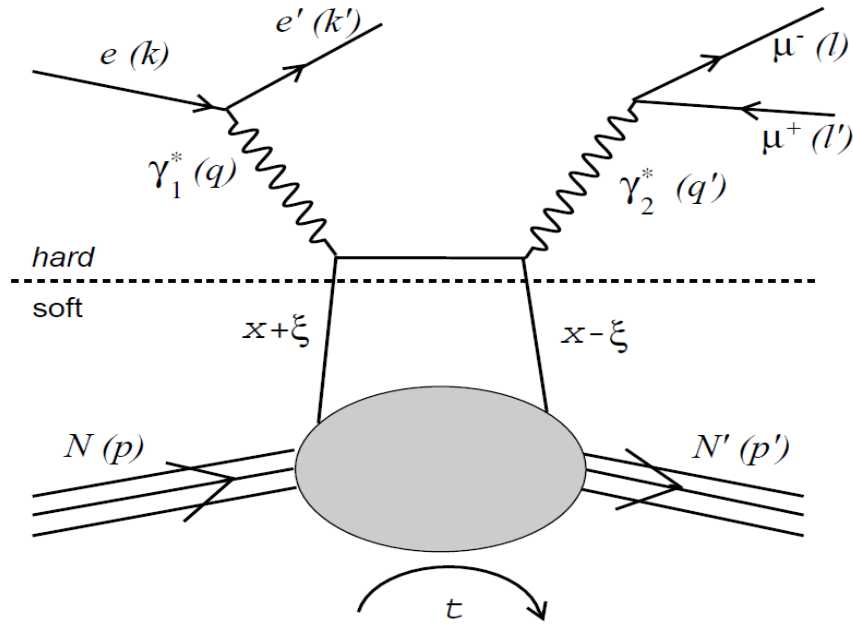
**Im(CFF)** from DVCS and TCS

Single spin asymmetries, cross section  
 Access GPD at  $x = \pm \xi$

GPD  $H(x, \xi, t=0)$



# Access non-diagonal part with DDVCS



Lever arm in  $q/q'$  will access the off-diagonal region

# Access non-diagonal part with DDVCS

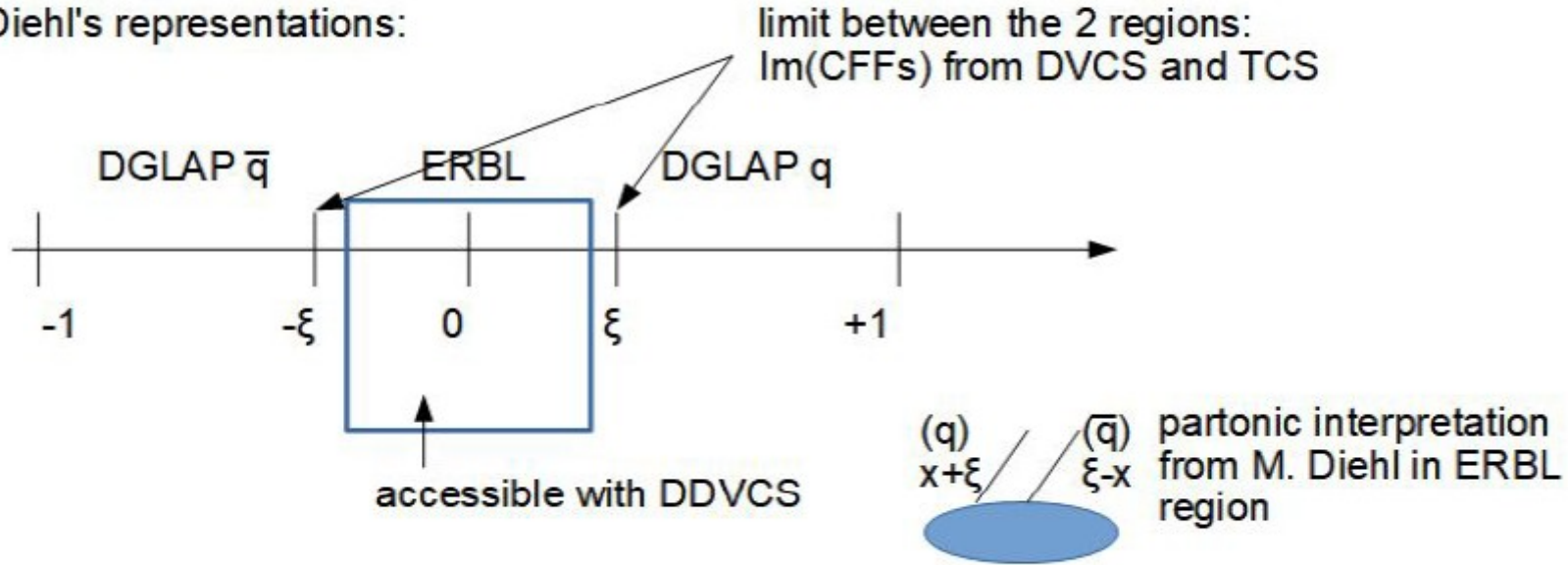
$\xi > |\xi'|$ : ERBL region;  $\xi < |\xi'|$  DGLAP region

Quark propagator normalized to  $\xi$  at asymptotic limit:  $(1 - Q'^2/Q^2) / (1 + Q'^2/Q^2)$

→ up to  $t/Q^2$  factor, we play with respective value of  $Q^2$  and  $Q'^2$  to go "out of diagonal" for GPD

→ neglecting  $t$ , we are restricted to  $\xi > |\xi'|$

M. Diehl's representations:



need to map this region for GPD models and extrapolations needed for tomographic interpretations at  $\xi=0$ ; GPD extrapolated from  $\xi \rightarrow 0$

# Experimental program, JLab Hall C



**New GPD measurements  
Feasibility studies, observables,  
Simulations,  
New experiments**

Polarized and unpolarized measurements: TCS, vector mesons, quarkonia near threshold <sup>25</sup>

# Observables & experiments

Observable (proton target)	Experimental challenge	Main interest for GPDs	JLab experiments
Unpolarized cross section	1 or 2 order of magnitude lower than DVCS, require high luminosity	Im + Re part of amplitude. Re(H), Im(H)	CLAS 12, SoLID approved NPS conditionnal
Circularly polarized beam	Easiest observable to measure at JLab	Im(H), Im(H) Sensitivity to quark angular momenta, in particular for neutron	CLAS 12, SoLID approved NPS conditionnal
Linearly polarized beam	Need high luminosity, at least 10x more than for circular beam, and electron tagging	Re(H), D-term. Good to discriminate models and very important to bring constrains to real part of CFF	GlueX (?)
Longitudinally polarized target	Polarized target	Im( $\tilde{H}$ )	no / "for free"?
Transversely polarized target	Polarized target, and high luminosity: binning in $\theta_s$ , $\varphi_s$	Im( $\tilde{H}$ ), Im(E)	NPS conditionnal
Double spin asymmetry with circularly polarized beam	Polarized target, very high luminosity, precision measurement	Real part of all CFF	no / "for free"?
Double spin asymmetry with longitudinally polarized beam	Polarized target, electron tagging, very high luminosity and precision	Not the most interesting, Im(CFFs) but difficult to measure	no
<b>TCS off the neutron</b>			

- similar, need higher luminosity and proton or neutron tagging

- target spin asymmetries are expected to be larger, and beam spin asymmetries are smaller



## \* **Recent Hall B measurement**

- Not covering the same kinematic region, and low statistics = hard to use in our fits

## \* **Need of precision measurement for unpolarized cross section**

- \* **Need of proton + neutron** for flavor separation and extraction of  $H_u$ ,  $H_d$ , for universality studies and comparison vs DVCS

2 options, both important

1) Extension of proposed experiment with 10 days unpolarized off  $NH_3$

- Needed for interpretation of polarized data and studies of dilution factor
- Can't be interpreted for precision measurement off proton

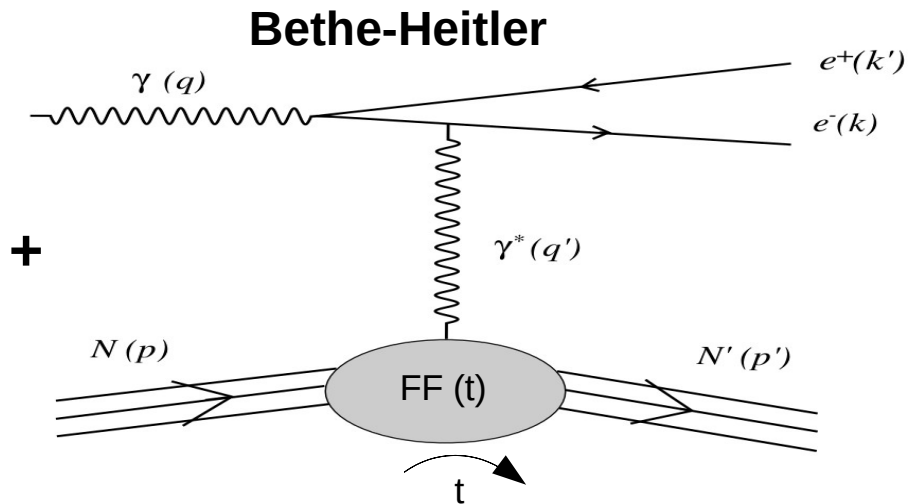
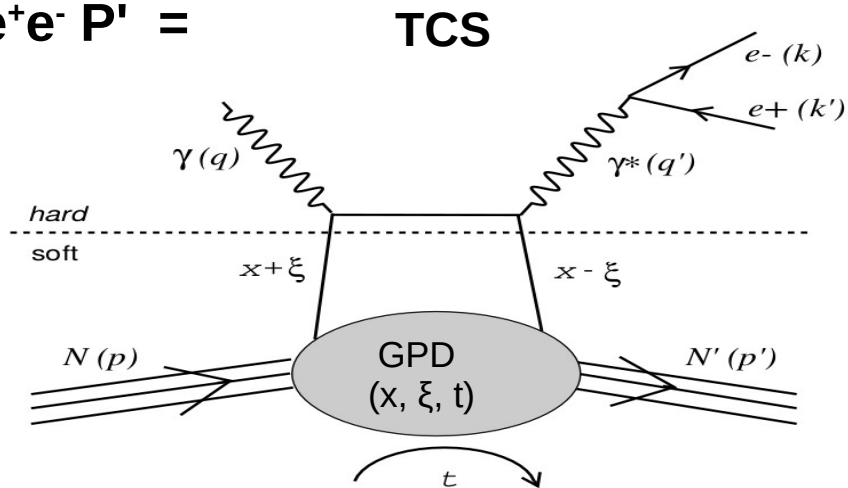
2) Dedicated precision LH2+LD2 measurement for GPD H

- need for high statistics and precision
- estimation 10 days each target ?

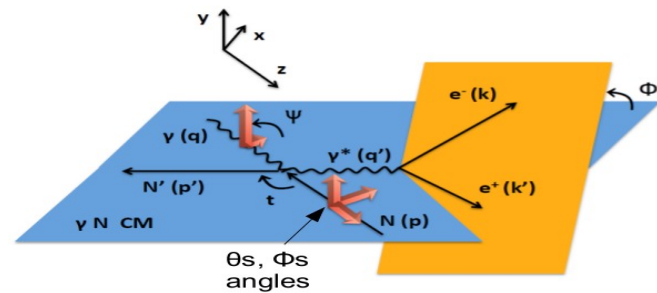
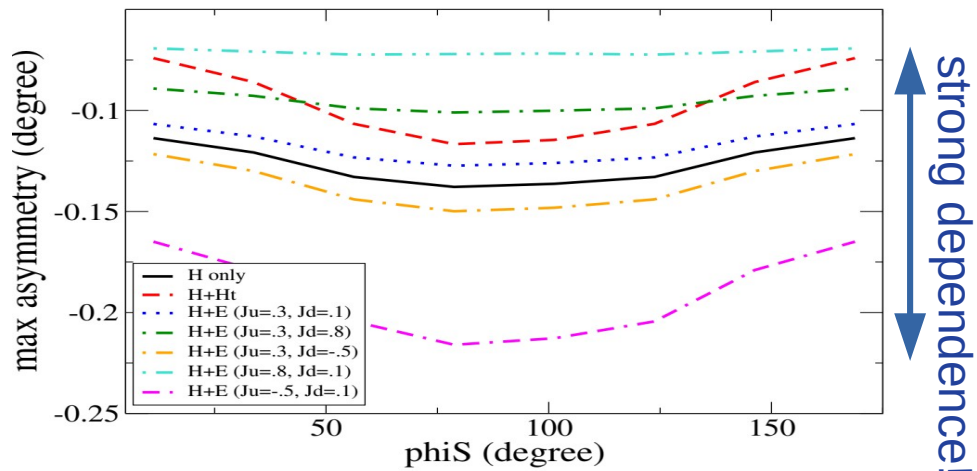
+ complementary polarized measurements

# Physics goals

$$\gamma P \rightarrow e^+ e^- P'$$



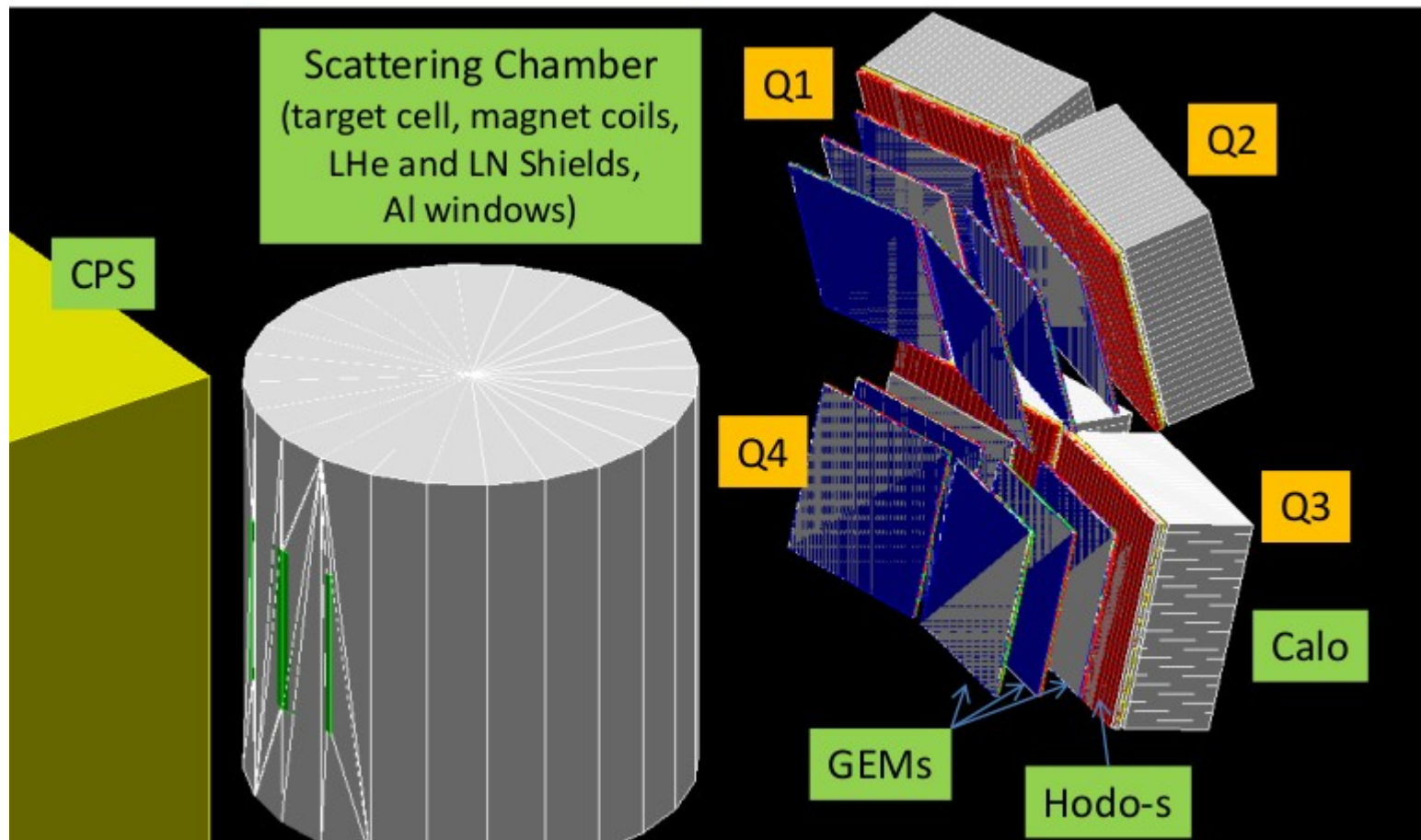
Sin( $\varphi$ ) moment of transverse spin asymmetry vs  $\varphi_S$ ,  
 Dependence in GPD E and  $J^{u,d}$  (VGG model)



**TSA as a function of  $\varphi$  and  $\varphi_S$**

- Sensitive to Im(interference), BH cancels
- Strong dependence in angular momenta, Sensitivity to GPD E (also to H, Ht)

# Proposed setup at JLab Hall C



# Experimental setup

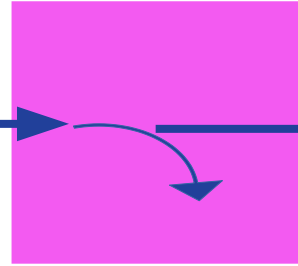
$$\gamma P \rightarrow e^+ e^- P'$$

All 3 final particles in coincidence detected

11 GeV  
85% pol.  
2.5  $\mu$ A

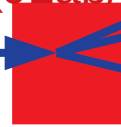
electron  
(CEBAF)

Compact Photon  
Source (CPS)



electron  
dump in  
magnet

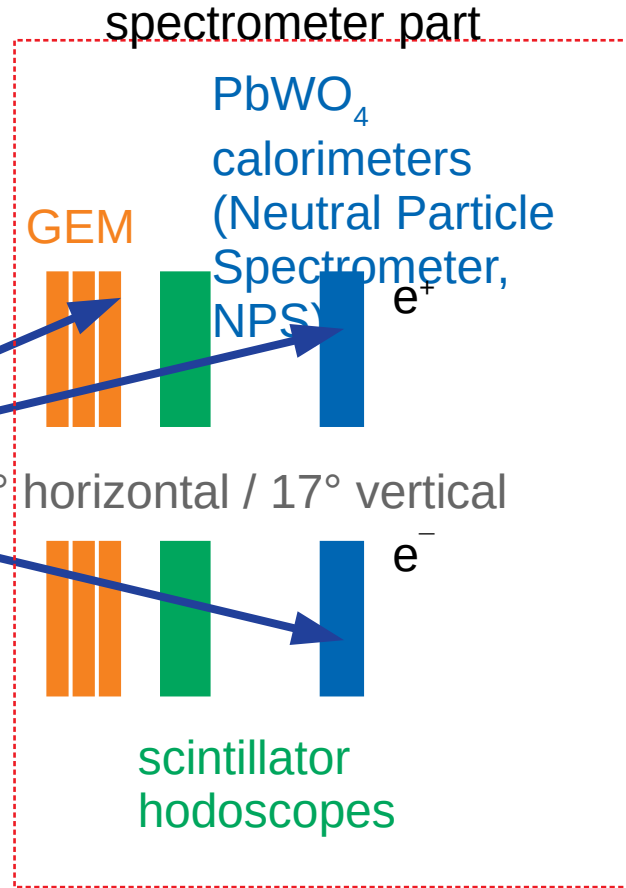
Transverse polarized  
 $\text{NH}_3$  target (DNP)  
3 cm long (JLab/UVA)



5.5-11 GeV  
photons, 50-85%  
circularly polarized  
 $1.5 \times 10^{12}$   $\gamma$ /sec

$\sim 2\text{m}$

$\sim 1.5\text{m}$



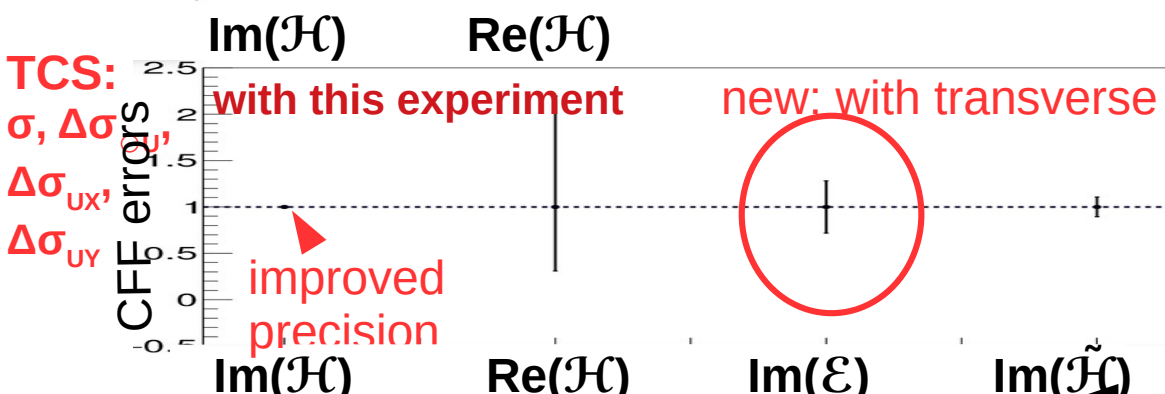
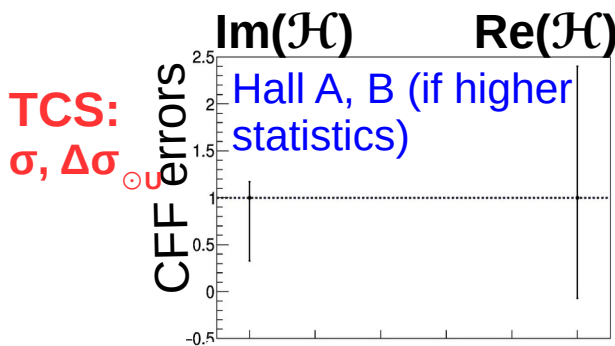
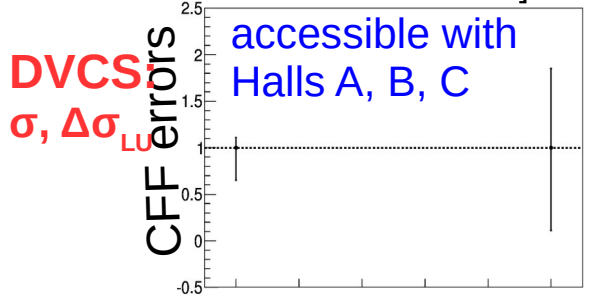
Top view cartoon

Trigger: GEMs, hodoscopes, calorimeters (all 3 particles)

Integrated luminosity:  $5.85 \times 10^5 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  for 30 PAC days of "physics"

# Compton Form Factors from DVCS and TCS

[fit of simulations with same errors]



- CFFs from TCS can be extracted at same level than DVCS
- $\text{Im}(\mathcal{E})$  extracted thanks to transverse target
- Precision on H greatly improved with new constraints

Main goal: **GPD E (proton)** → unique, not measured in other exp.

Secondary goal: **complement universality studies**

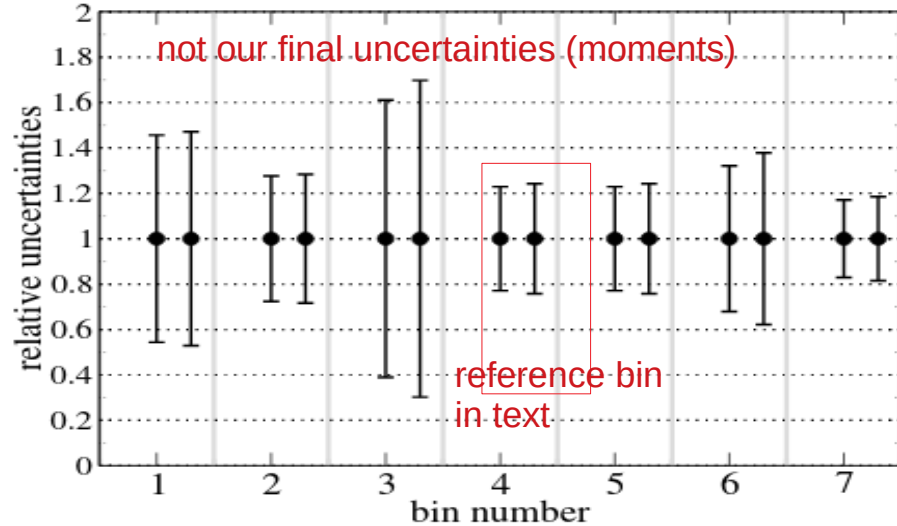
- universality or breaking? Higher twist/NLO effects?
- Studied with  $Q^2$  evolution in other experiments
- Comparison of fit results DVCS only, TCS, TCS+DVCS
- **interpretation depends on size of observed effects**

extracted CFFs (generated at value=1)

# Anticipated results on CFFs

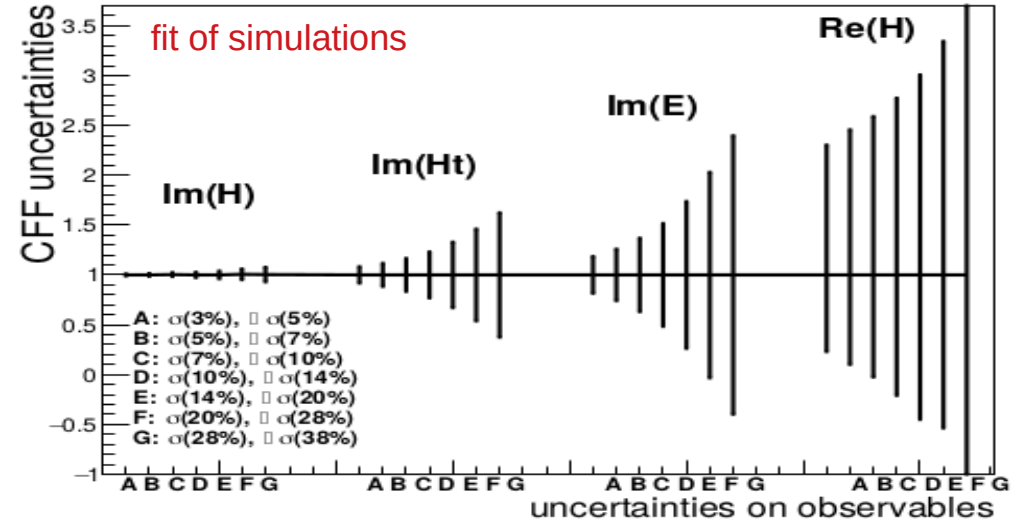
Mostly dominated by complementary unpolarized experiments, due to correlation with GPD H

(illustration) **combined errors** on 2 orthogonal  $\perp$  asymmetries for first sinus moment, for all bins  
(to be compared with size of asymmetries vs  $\varphi_s$ )



**CFFs uncertainties vs experimental errors**  
fits on simulations using VGG parametrization

**CFF from TCS with 4 observables and transverse target**



- $\text{Im}(H)$ ,  $\text{Re}(H)$ ,  $\text{Im}(\tilde{H})$ ,  $\text{Im}(E)$  extracted even with very large experimental uncertainties (E, F, G)
- Results mostly depend on unpolarized cross section errors (other experiments off LH2)
- **Our experiment will put constraints on GPD E,  $J_u$  &  $J_d$ , and reduce errors on  $\text{Im}+\text{Re}(H)$**



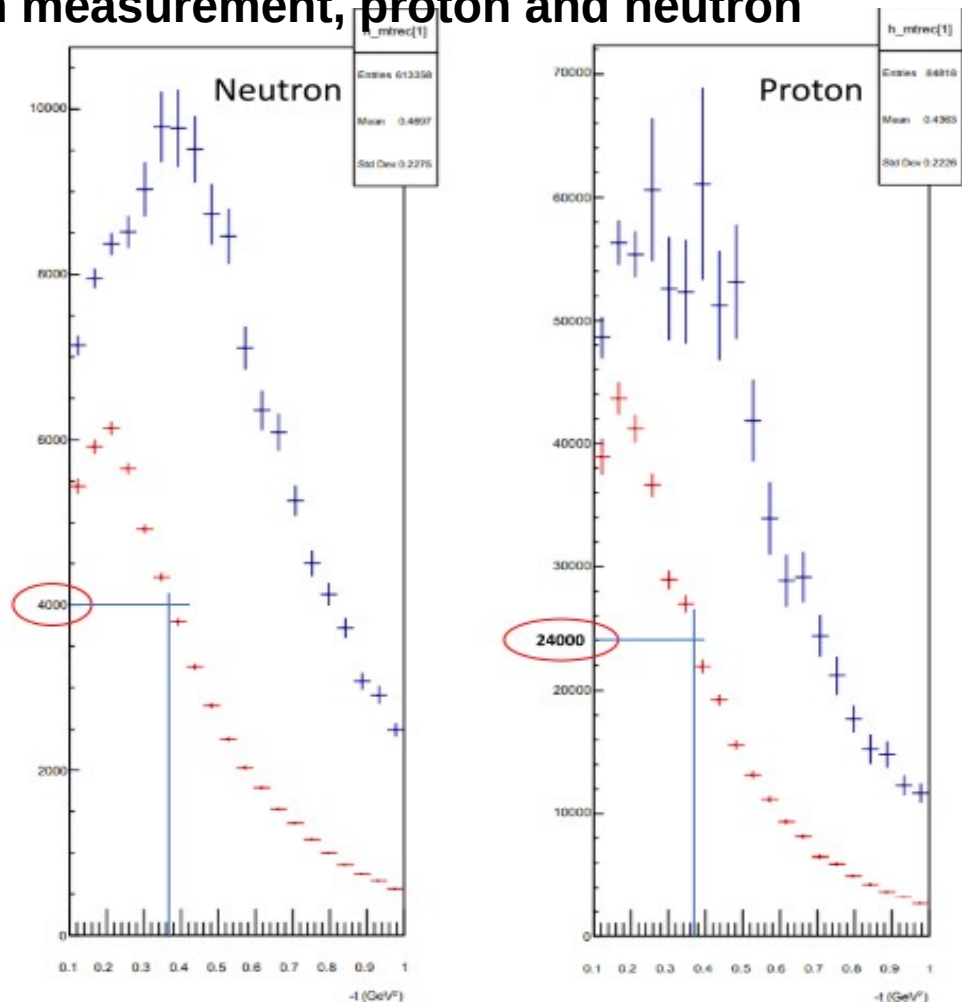
# Extension: flavor decomposition & precision measurement, proton and neutron

Number of reconstructed events measured for the TCS reaction depending on  $-t$  weighted by the cross section

The data are normalized.

Difference between proton and neutron:

- Measured : x6



Camille's projection demonstrate

- 1) feasibility of measuring unpolarized proton TCS off LH2 (in terms of counting rates & impact)
- 2) feasibility of measuring unpolarized neutron TCS off LD2

# Extension: $J/\psi$ (see Erik Talk)

- Energy dependent production mechanisms
- Expected 3 gluon exchange dominance at JLab

\* Using model Brodsky & al. for JLab projections

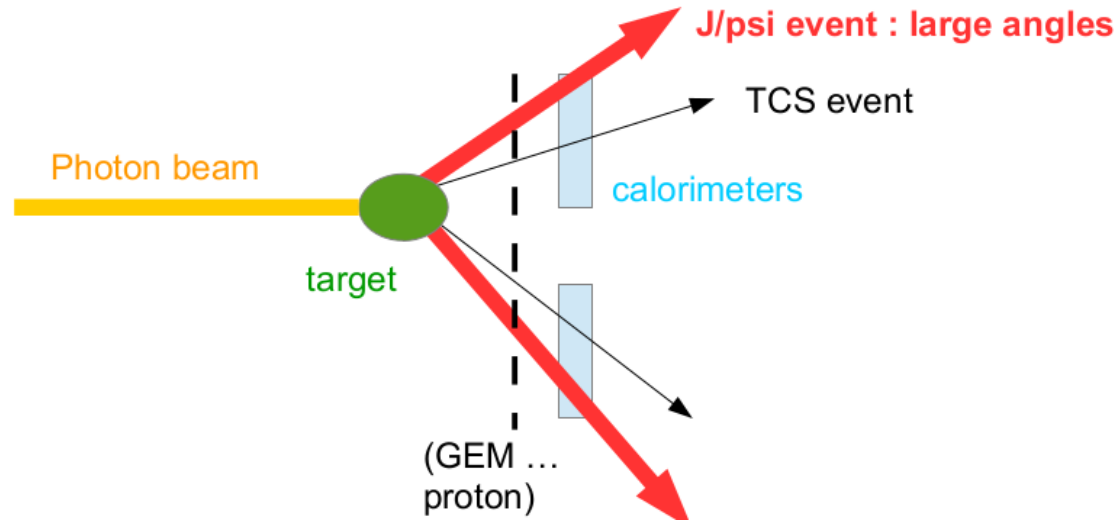
Generator tuned for JLab & EIC energies with « manual » tuning for dominant cross section, « user choice » parametrizations (pdf...)

(credit : Tyler Schroeder, summer student REU)

Erik's work this year: updating this code and tuning for JLab projections, simulations

Our goals

- similar setup as for TCS
- use of new target magnet : extended acceptance at large angles
- realistic projection to see if an experiment can be done



# DDVCS

## Our goal / current work

- coming soon with realistic MC for 2 possible setup we are exploring
- prototype muon detector to be placed behind spectrometer

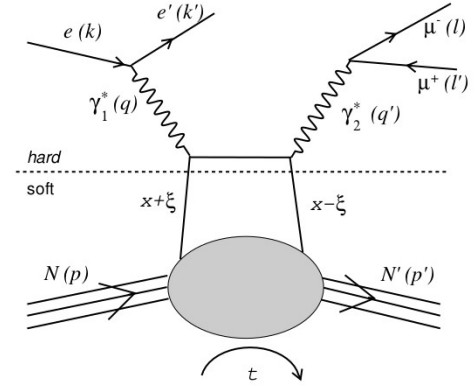
## Why using NPS ?

- larger acceptance for electrons
- can't do with HMS/SHMS
- statistic and precision in principle ok (from toy MC) if starting from DVCS or TCS setups

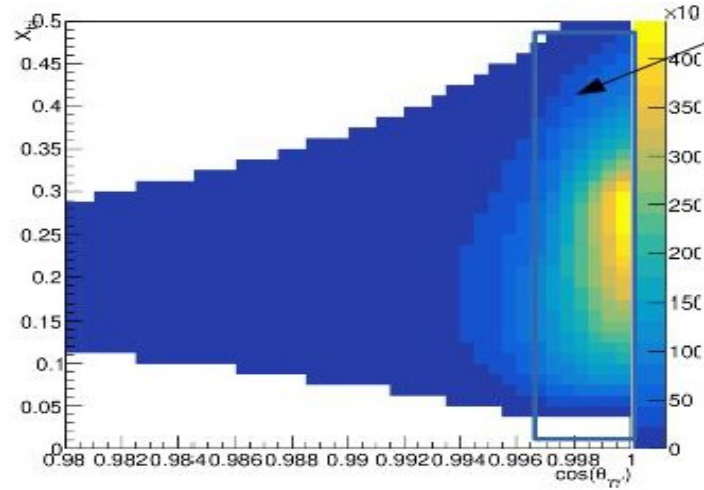
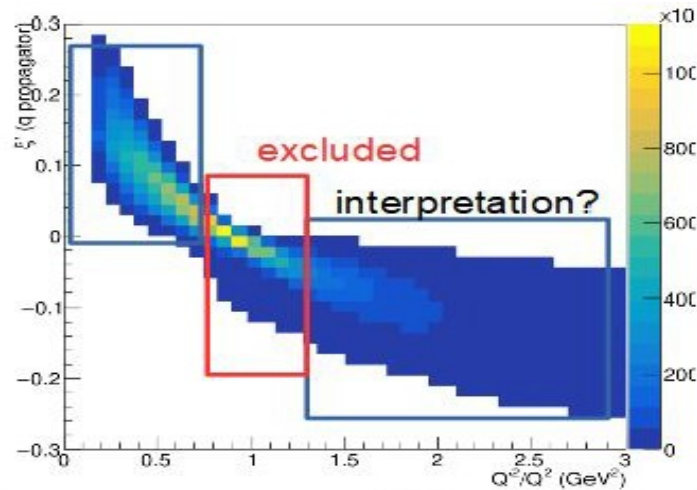
## 2 options we are exploring

- 1) similar as DVCS experiment with extra muon detectors (+ shielding, dif trigger...), proton also detected
- 2) with 2 calo as TCS + muon detectors

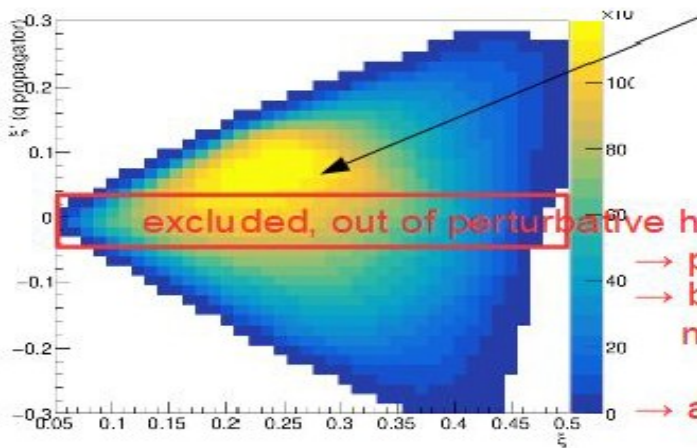
**Extension of Hall C DVCS or TCS setup with muon detectors**  
**Plan to develop them at VT**  
**For high intensity DDVCS measurement into muons**



# Kinematic region we access with Hall C and setups we are looking for



we want to stay here → forward region



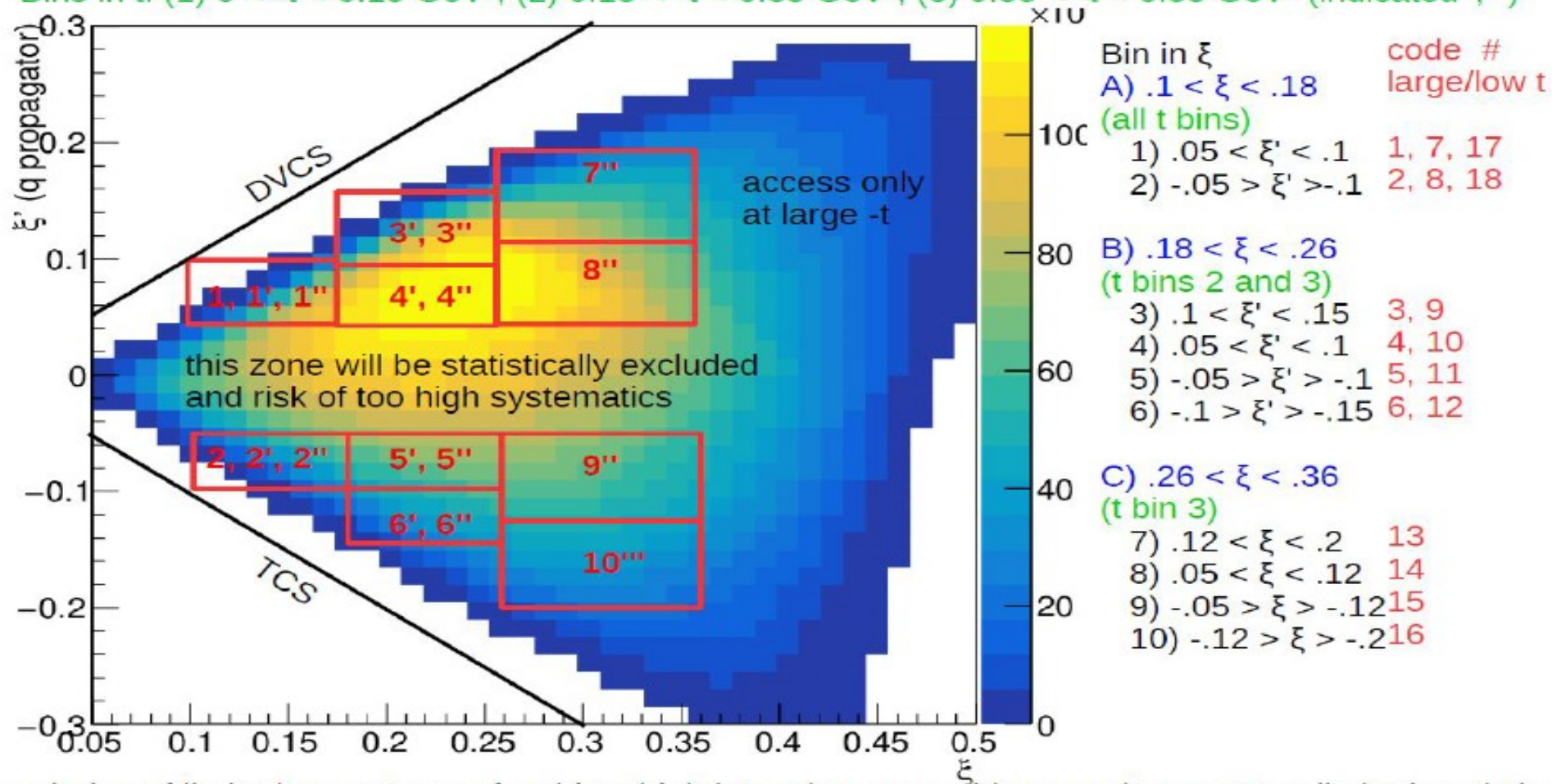
where do we want to have measurement?  
this show how much "out of diagonal" we can go

- playing with larger  $t$  could get data in this region?
- but in this case all approximations need to be waved and must be very careful about interpretations
- also need to be very careful in this region: resolution in  $t$  !!!

# Kinematic region we access with Hall C and setups we are looking for

## Binning in $\xi, \xi'$ , all $t$

Bins in  $t$ : (1)  $0 < -t < 0.15 \text{ GeV}^2$ , (2)  $0.15 < -t < 0.35 \text{ GeV}^2$ , (3)  $0.35 < -t < 0.55 \text{ GeV}^2$  (indicated ', ")

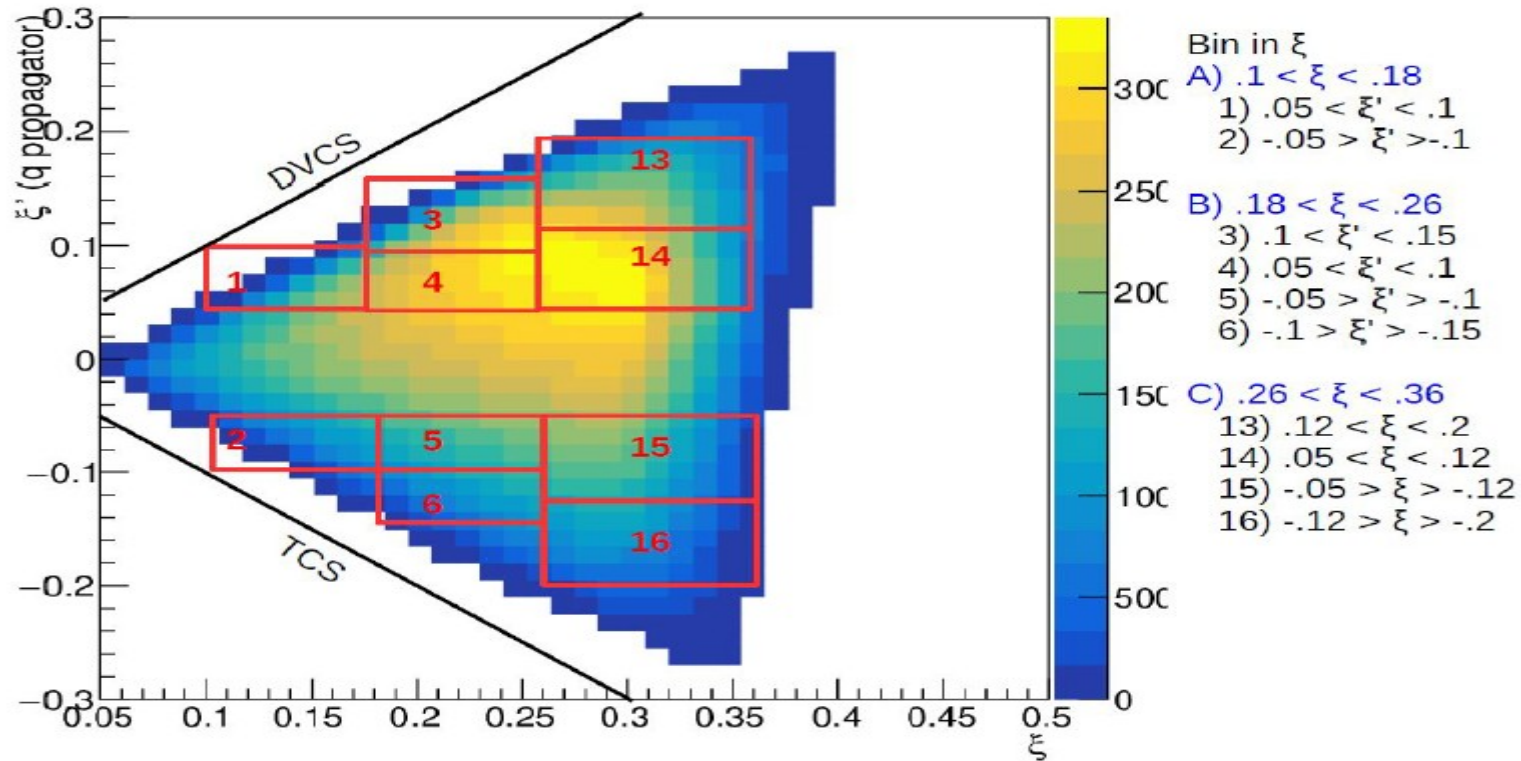


- choice of limited acceptance: few bins, high intensity  $\rightarrow$  some bins may be empty or limited statistic
- no binning in  $Q^2$  and  $Q'^2$ : the above selections are cutting bands in the  $Q^2$  vs  $Q'^2$  distribution <sup>2</sup>



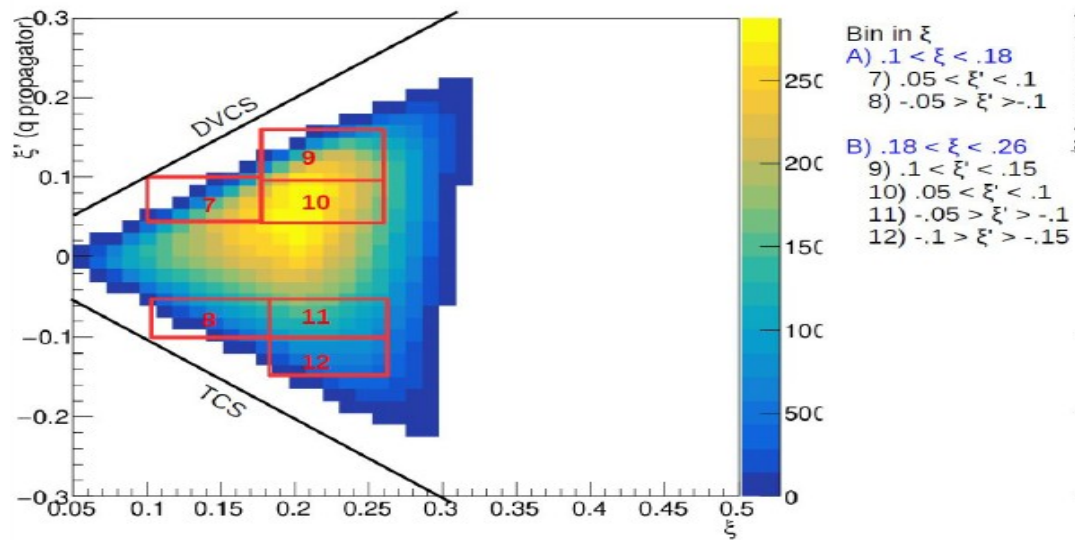
# Kinematic region we access with Hall C and setups we are looking for

Binning in  $\xi$ ,  $\xi'$ , at large  $-t$  (3)  $0.35 < -t < 0.55 \text{ GeV}^2$

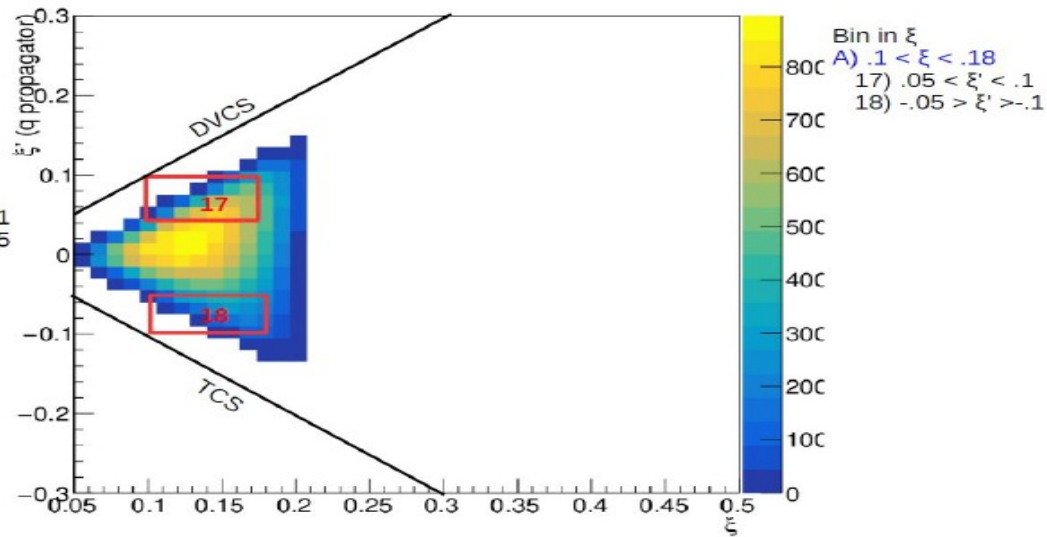


# Kinematic region we access with Hall C and setups we are looking for

**Binning in  $\xi, \xi'$ , at medium  $-t$  (2)  $0.15 < -t < 0.35 \text{ GeV}^2$**



**Binning in  $\xi, \xi'$ , at low  $-t$  (1)  $t_{\min} < -t < 0.15 \text{ GeV}^2$**

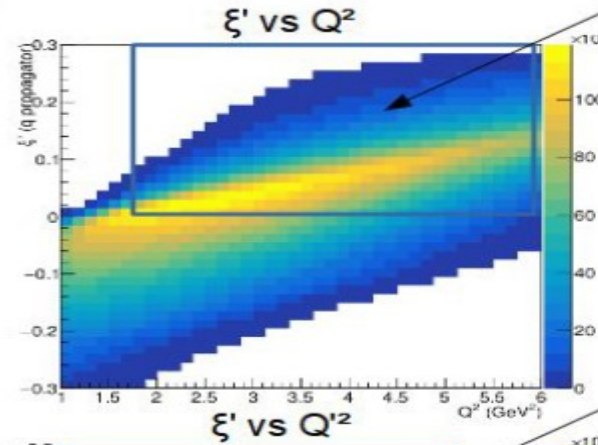
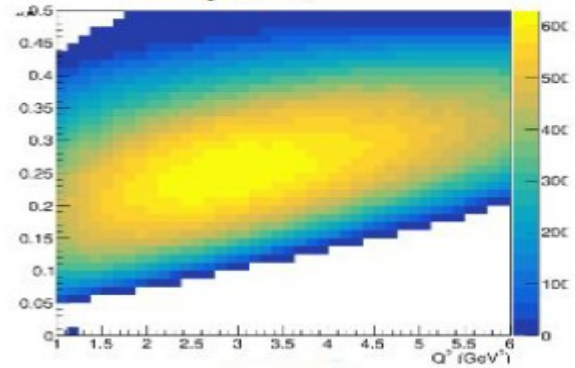




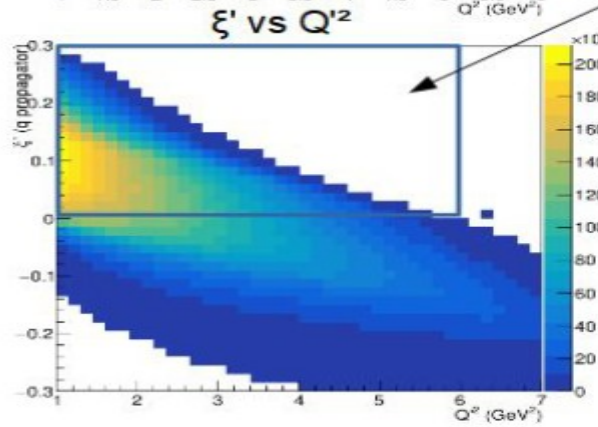
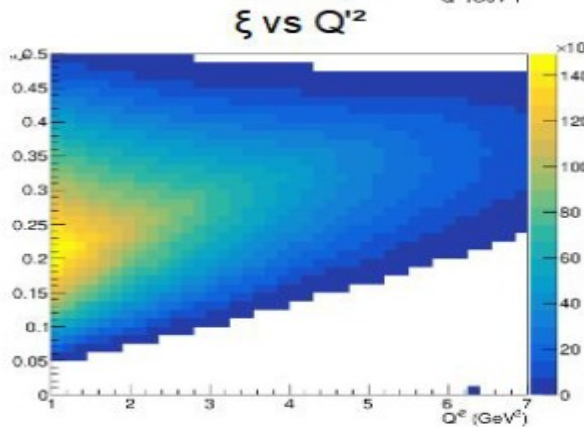
# Kinematic region we access with Hall C and setups we are looking for

Few projections from generated MC : phase space « out of diagonal »

$Q^2$  and  $Q'^2$  not correlated  
correlation with other kinematic variables  
 $\xi$  vs  $Q^2$



$Q^2 > 2$  GeV<sup>2</sup> if we want to stay at  $\xi' > 0$



in this case,  $Q'^2 < 6$  GeV<sup>2</sup>  
question about resonances and interferences

# Access non-diagonal part with DDVCS

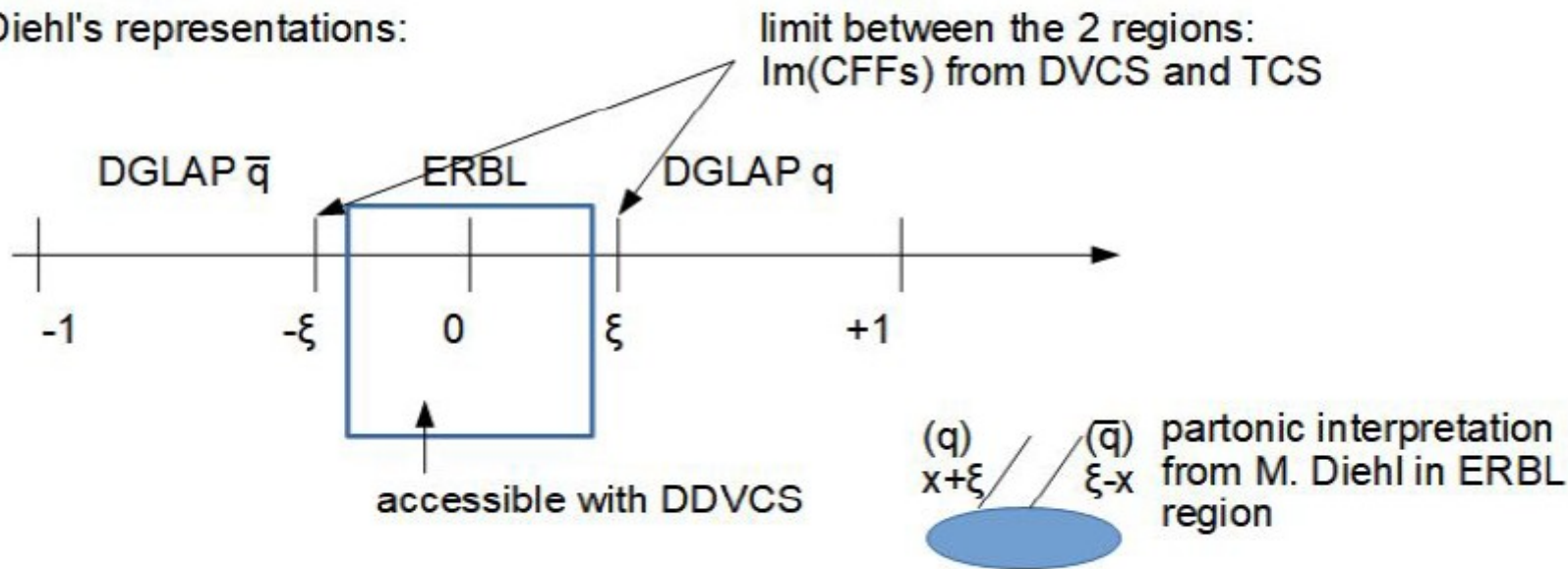
$\xi > |\xi'|$ : ERBL region;  $\xi < |\xi'|$  DGLAP region

Quark propagator normalized to  $\xi$  at asymptotic limit:  $(1 - Q'^2/Q^2) / (1 + Q'^2/Q^2)$

→ up to  $t/Q^2$  factor, we play with respective value of  $Q^2$  and  $Q'^2$  to go "out of diagonal" for GPD

→ neglecting  $t$ , we are restricted to  $\xi > |\xi'|$

M. Diehl's representations:



need to map this region for GPD models and extrapolations needed for tomographic interpretations at  $\xi=0$ ; GPD extrapolated from  $\xi \rightarrow 0$

# Summary: Why looking at several Compton reactions And hard exclusive production of mesons together for GPDs ?

**Goal : global GPD fits from mesons + Compton-like channels all together**

Measurements of vector mesons ( $J^P=1^-$  like photon) for complementarity with Compton  
& flavor decomposition

- factorization proven (caveat : near threshold not clear)
- high energy enhancement / pomeron exchange

Light vector mesons

- flavor decomposition
- « some » out of diagonal access  $x$  vs  $x_i$
- complementarity with Compton and already made measurements
- feasible in short term

Heavy mesons, quarkonia

- flavor decomposition + gluons
- not sure of interpretation : non perturbative region near threshold
- possibility to go off diagonal if light meson measurements prove that we have a way to incorporate meson measurements within Compton-like fits
- photon & electron beam, possibility to demonstrate lepton pair equivalence (or not) + if feasible to reconstruct  $ee$  pairs

# SUMMARY

- We want to “map” the nucleon inner content (quarks, gluons)
- from 1D to 3D to 5D: functions describing the structure
- Generalized Parton Distributions and tomography

Our JLab current & future plans:

- Timelike Compton Scattering to extract all GPDs & universality

Measurements planned in Hall C, new projections in progress... (see Brannon’s talk)

- Quarkonia (see Erik’s talk near threshold, not shown at higher energy)
- Light vector meson program: flavor decomposition, spin/parity...
- Double Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering: ERBL “meson exchange” region, tomographic interpretations