

# Recent advances in GPD and CFF extraction from hard exclusive processes

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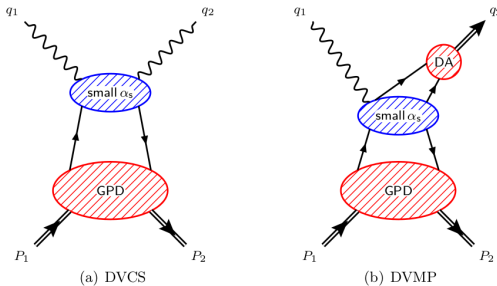


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# Accessing GPDs

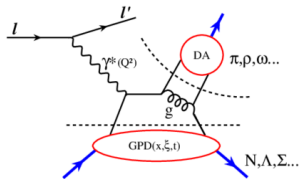
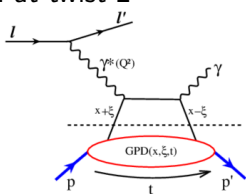
- exclusive processes such as DVCS and DVMP



- at leading twist four complex Compton/transition form factors  $\mathcal{H}(\xi, t, Q^2)$ ,  $\mathcal{E}(\xi, t, Q^2)$ ,  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}(\xi, t, Q^2)$ ,  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}(\xi, t, Q^2)$
- also double DVCS, timelike Compton scattering, etc.

# Factorization and GPDs

- factorization theorem [Collins et al. '97, '98]
- DVCS: transversal photon, DVMP: longitudinal photon and meson at twist-2



H. Moutarde et al.

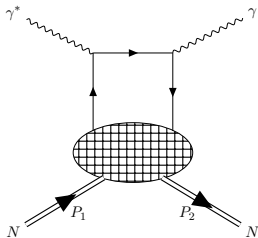
- GPDs enter a convolution as the soft unperturbative part

$$\text{CFFs: } \mathcal{F}^A(\xi, \Delta^2, Q^2) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{2\xi} \underbrace{AT\left(x, \xi \left| \alpha_s(\mu_R), \frac{Q^2}{\mu_F^2} \right. \right)}_{\text{hard scale}} \underbrace{F^A(x, \eta, \Delta^2, \mu_F^2)}_{\text{soft scale}}, \quad A \in \{q, g\}$$

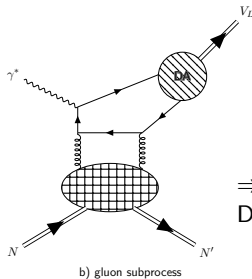
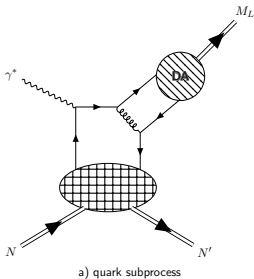
$$\text{TFFs: } \mathcal{F}^A(\xi, \Delta^2, Q^2) = \frac{f C_F}{Q N_c} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{2\xi} \int_0^1 dv \underbrace{\varphi(v)}_{\text{soft scale}} \underbrace{AT\left(x, v, \xi \left| \alpha_s(\mu_R), \frac{Q^2}{\mu_F^2}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_\varphi^2}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_R^2} \right. \right)}_{\text{hard scale}} \underbrace{F^A(x, \eta, \Delta^2, \mu_F^2)}_{\text{soft scale}}$$

# Handbag diagrams

DVCS at LO



DVMP at LO



$\Rightarrow$  gluons enter DVMP at LO!

# Modelling GPDs

# GPD evolution

- evolution in  $x$  space complicated, mixing of components

$$\frac{1}{x^{p_a}} \frac{\partial H^a(x, \eta, t, \mu^2)}{\partial \log(\mu^2)} = \alpha_s(\mu^2) \sum_{b \in \{q, g\}} \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{\eta} K^{ab, (0)}\left(\frac{z}{\eta}, \frac{\eta}{x}\right) \frac{H^b(z, \eta, t, \mu^2)}{z^{p_b}}$$

- we use conformal moments

$$F_n(\eta, t) = \int_{-1}^1 dx c_n(x, \eta) F(x, \eta, t)$$

$$c_n(x, \eta) = \eta^n \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \Gamma(1+n)}{2^n \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}+n\right)} C_n^{\frac{3}{2}}\left(\frac{x}{\eta}\right)$$

- $C_n^{3/2}$  Gegenbauer polynomials for quarks (5/2 for gluons)
- analytic continuation  $n \rightarrow j \in \mathbb{C}$
- evolution diagonal in  $j$  space at LO

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} F_j^q(\eta, t, \mu^2) = -\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \gamma_j^{(0)} F_j^q(\eta, t^2, \mu^2)$$

# Valence quark GPDs

- valence quarks modeled in  $x$  space ( $q = u, d$ ) at crossover line  $x = \eta$  (no  $Q^2$  evolution)

$$\Im \mathcal{H}(\xi, t) \stackrel{LO}{=} \pi \left[ \frac{4}{9} H^{u\text{val}}(\xi, \xi, t) + \frac{1}{9} H^{d\text{val}}(\xi, \xi, t) + \frac{2}{9} H^{\text{sea}}(\xi, \xi, t) \right]$$

$$H_q^{\text{val}}(x, x, t) = \frac{n_q r_q}{1+x} \left( \frac{2x}{1+x} \right)^{-\alpha_v(t)} \left( \frac{1-x}{1+x} \right)^{b_q} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1-x}{1+x} \frac{t}{M_q^2}}, \quad q = u, d$$

$$\alpha_v(t) = 0.43 + 0.85t/\text{GeV}^2$$

- fixed parameters:  $n$  PDF normalization,  $\alpha(t)$  Regge trajectory



# Sea quark and gluon GPDs

- sea quarks modelled in  $j$  space
- $SO(3)$  partial waves expansion

$$F_j^a(\eta, t) = \sum_{\substack{J=J_{\min} \\ \text{even}}}^{j+1} F_j^{J,a}(t) \eta^{j+1-J} \hat{d}_{\alpha,\beta}^J(\eta), \quad J = j+1, j-1, j-3, \dots$$

- leading contribution

$$F_j^{J,a}(\eta = 0, t) = N^a \frac{B(1 - \alpha^a + j, \beta^a + 1)}{B(2 - \alpha^a, \beta^a + 1)} \frac{\beta(t)}{1 - \frac{t}{(m_j^a)^2}},$$

$$(m_j^a)^2 = \frac{1 + j - \alpha^a}{\alpha'^a}, \quad \beta(t) = \left(1 - \frac{t}{M^2}\right)^{-p}, \quad a = \{s, g\}$$

- full NLO QCD  $Q^2$  evolution

- partial wave expansion implemented simply in Mellin-Barnes integral

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} dj \xi^{-j-1} \left[ i + \tan \left( \frac{\pi j}{2} \right) \right] \times \\ \times [[\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{E}]_j + [\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{E}]_{j+2} \mathbf{S} + [\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{E}]_{j+4} \mathbf{T}] \mathbf{H}_j^{(l)}$$

- 10-15 parameters

# Dispersion relations

- CFFs constrained by dispersion relations

$$\Re \mathcal{H}(\xi, t) \stackrel{LO}{=} \Delta(t) + \frac{1}{\pi} \text{P.V.} \int_0^1 dx \left( \frac{1}{\xi - x} - \frac{1}{\xi + x} \right) \Im \mathcal{H}(x, t)$$

- subtraction constant model

$$\Delta(t) = \frac{C}{\left(1 - \frac{t}{M_C^2}\right)^2}$$

- $\Delta_{\mathcal{H}}(t) = -\Delta_{\mathcal{E}}(t)$ ,  $\Delta_{\tilde{\mathcal{H}}}(t) = \Delta_{\tilde{\mathcal{E}}}(t) = 0$
- only imaginary part of CFFs and one subtraction constant  $\Delta(t)$  are modelled

# Results

# NLO DIS+DVCS+DVMP small- $x$ global fit

- First global fits to DIS+DVCS+DVMP HERA collider data  
[Lautenschlager, Müller, Schäfer, '13, unpublished!]
- hard scattering amplitude corrected in the meantime  
[Duplančić, Müller, Passek-Kumerički '17]
- [M. Č. et al., '23] preliminary results for NLO  
DIS+DVCS+DVMP small- $x$  global fit
- we also studied LO fits, fits to DIS+DVCS and fits to  
DIS+DVMP
- what are the effects of NLO corrections?
- can we get universal GPDs regardless of DVCS and DVMP  
data?

# Cross sections

- DVCS

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\gamma^* N \rightarrow \gamma N}}{d\Delta^2} \approx \frac{\pi\alpha_{em}^2}{(W^2 + Q^2)^2} \left[ |\mathcal{H}|^2 + |\tilde{\mathcal{H}}|^2 - \frac{\Delta^2}{4M^2} |\mathcal{E}|^2 \right]$$

- DVMP

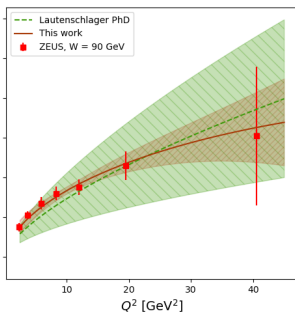
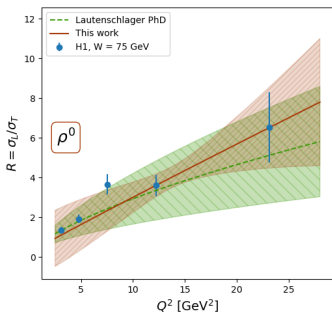
$$\frac{d\sigma^{\gamma^* N \rightarrow VN}}{d\Delta^2} \approx \frac{4\pi^2\alpha_{em}x_B^2}{Q^4} \left[ |\mathcal{H}|^2 - \frac{\Delta^2}{4M^2} |\mathcal{E}|^2 \right]$$

- for  $|\Delta^2| < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$  CFF  $\mathcal{E}$  suppressed by  $-\frac{\langle \Delta^2 \rangle}{4M^2} \approx 5 \times 10^{-2}$
- for  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$  Regge intercept  $\alpha(0) \approx 1/2$ , for  $\mathcal{H}$   $\alpha(0) \approx 1$ ,  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$  also suppressed
- we ignore valence contributions, only singlet  $\mathcal{H}$
- asymptotic distribution amplitude, dominant term in conformal space  $\varphi_0 \approx 1$

# Changes to original analysis

- for DVMP cut-off at  $Q^2 \geq 10 \text{ GeV}^2$  instead of 4
- no  $\phi$  production
- different parameter constraints
- $Q^2$  and  $W$  dependence in  $R = \sigma_L/\sigma_T$

$$R(Q^2) = \frac{Q^2}{m_V^2} \left(1 + a \frac{Q^2}{m_V^2}\right)^{-p} \rightarrow R(W, Q^2) = \frac{Q^2}{m_\rho^2} \left(1 + a \frac{Q^2}{m_\rho^2}\right)^{-p} \left(1 - b \frac{Q^2}{W}\right)$$



Data &  $\chi^2/N_{pts}$ 

- DIS data: H1  $F_2$
- DVCS: H1 and ZEUS data,  $Q^2 \geq 5.0 \text{ GeV}^2$
- DVMP: H1 and ZEUS  $\rho^0$  production,  $Q^2 \geq 10.0 \text{ GeV}^2$
- no  $t$  dependence

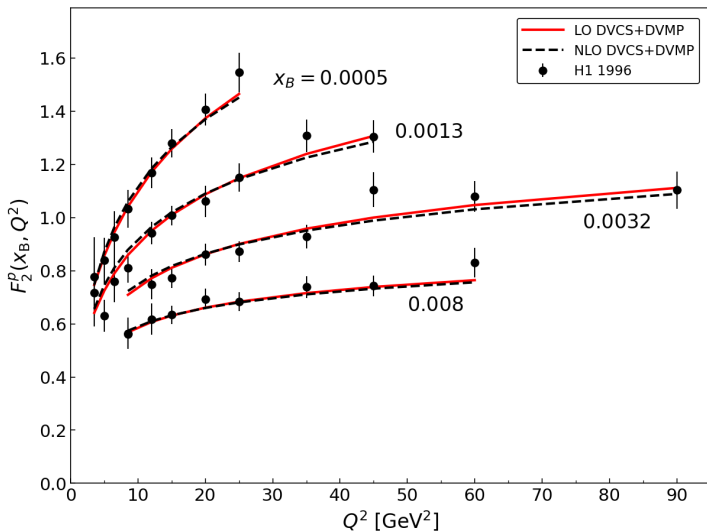
Dataset	$N_{pts}$	LO DVCS	LO DVMP	LO ALL	NLO DVCS	NLO DVMP	NLO ALL
DIS	85	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.8
DVCS	27	0.4	12252.2	0.6	0.6	27269.6	0.8
DVMP	45	49.7	3.1	3.3	11.7	1.5	1.7
Total	157	14.6	2108.3	1.4	3.9	4690.6	1.1



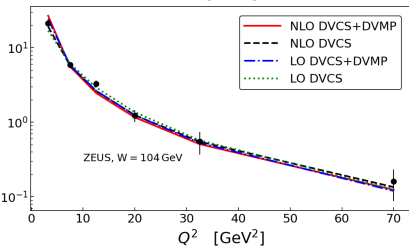
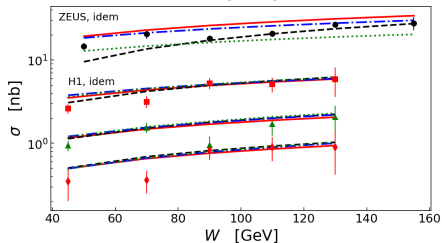
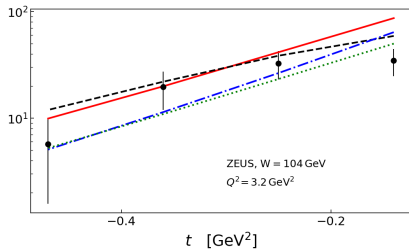
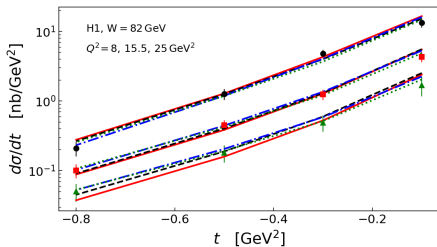
# Parameters

- pure DVMP fits prefer large quark skewness, rely on cancelation from gluons
- subleading waves were larger than leading ones, unstable
- DVMP more sensitive to gluons, we leave more freedom to gluon subleading PWs
- we want a decrease in contribution for PW expansion

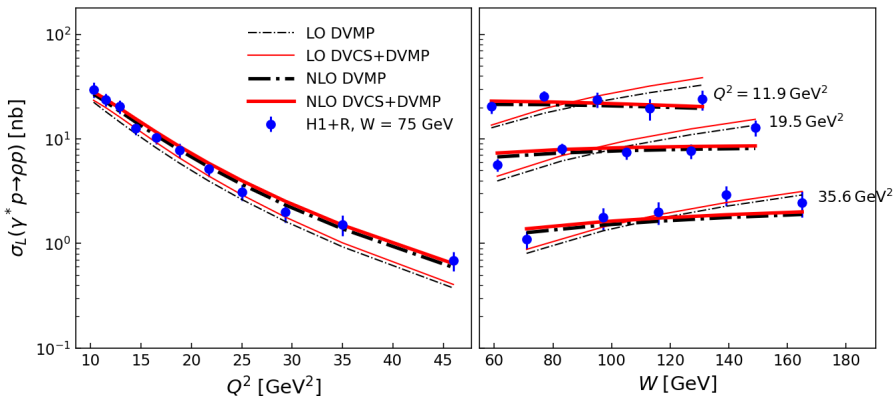
unit	$n^{sea}$	$\alpha_0^{sea}$ 1	$\alpha'_{sea}$ GeV <sup>-2</sup>	$m_{sea}^2$ GeV <sup>2</sup>	$s_2^{sea}$ 1	$s_4^{sea}$ 1	$\alpha_0^G$ 1	$\alpha'_G$ GeV <sup>-2</sup>	$m_G^2$ GeV <sup>2</sup>	$s_2^G$ 1	$s_4^G$ 1
initial	0.15	1.00	0.15	0.70	-0.20	0.00	1.00	0.15	0.70	0.00	0.00
limits			(0.0,1.0)	(0,3)	(-0.3,0.3)	(-0.1,0.1)		(0.0,1.0)	(0,3)	(-3.0,3.0)	(-1.0,1.0)
final	0.168	1.128	0.125	0.412	0.280	-0.044	1.099	0.000	0.145	2.958	-0.951
uncert.	0.002	0.011	0.040	0.050	0.032	0.010	0.011	0.010	0.008	0.039	0.025

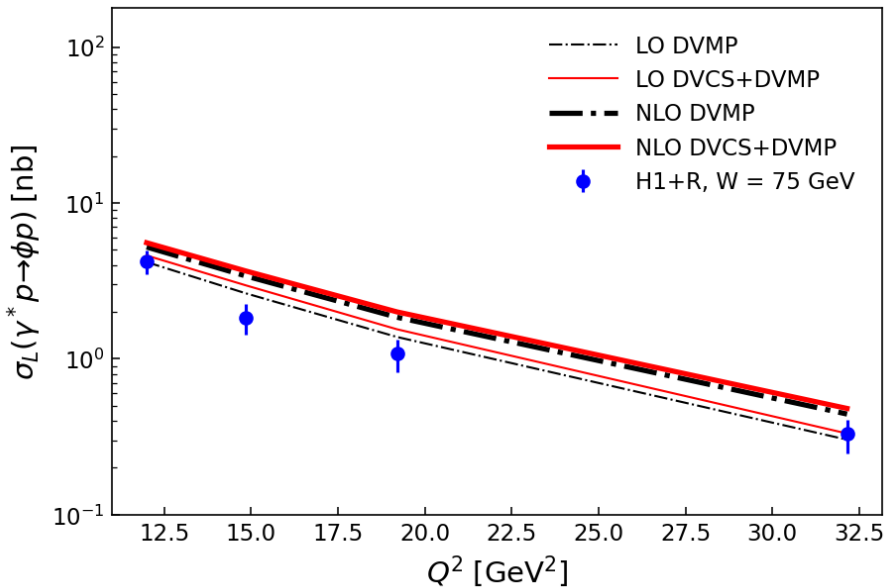
DIS  $F_2$  data description

# DVCS data description

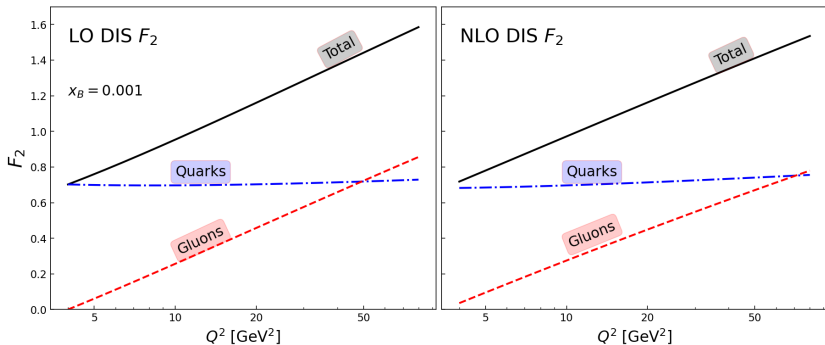


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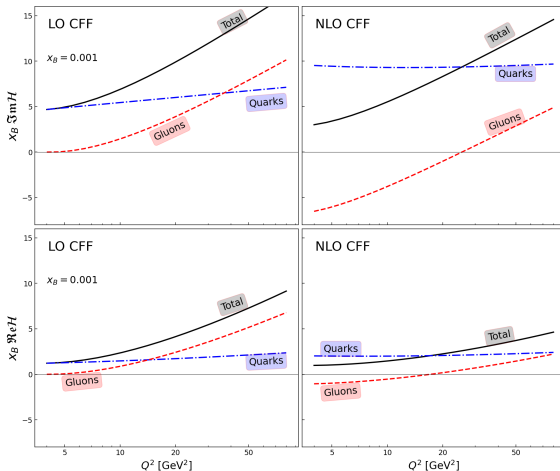


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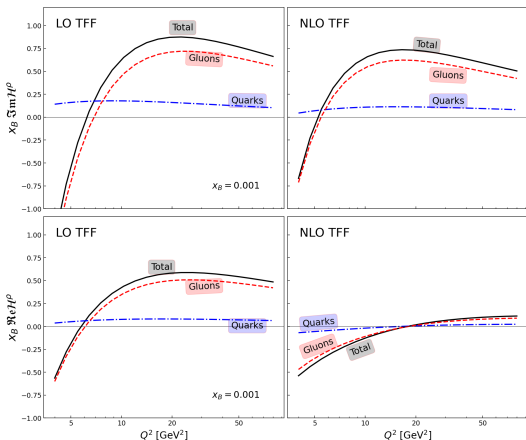
- at LO gluons do not contribute at low  $Q^2$
- not much changes at NLO

# Quark and gluon contributions: DVCS



- at LO gluons do not contribute at low  $Q^2$
- at NLO gluons negative at low  $Q^2$

# Quark and gluon contributions: DVMP



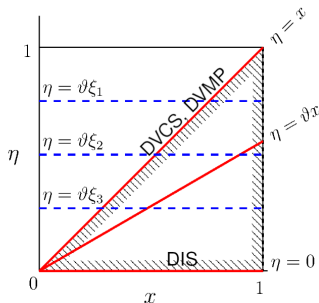
- at LO gluons dominate at low  $Q^2$
- at NLO a much different story, gluons negative at low  $Q^2$ , dominate at large  $Q^2$



# Skewness ratio

- skewness ratio: ratio of GPD to corresponding PDF

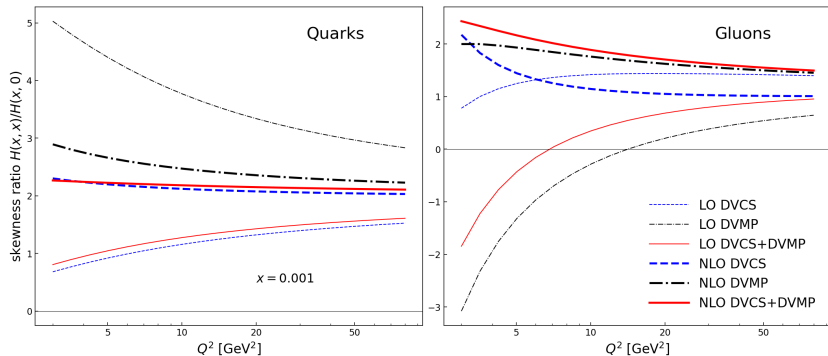
$$r = \frac{H(x, \eta = x)}{q(x)}$$



- conformal (Shuvaev) values, PDFs completely specify GPDs:

$$r^q \approx 1.65, \quad r^G \approx 1$$

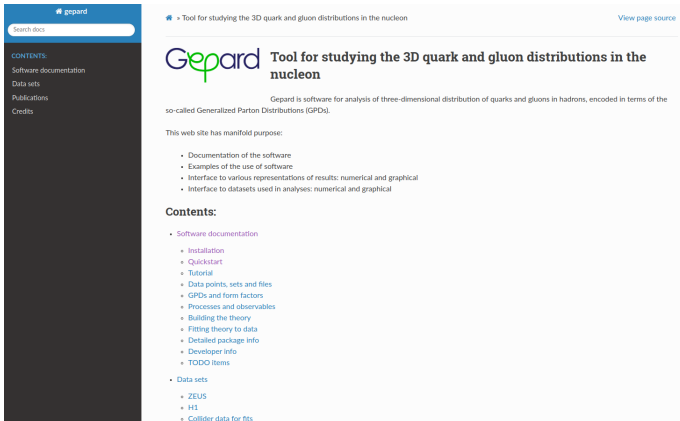
# Skewness at LO and NLO



Universal GPD structure emerges at NLO!

# Gepard

https://gepard.phy.hr



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Gepard website. On the left is a dark sidebar with a search bar and a 'CONTENTS' menu. The main content area has a blue header with the site name and a search bar. Below the header, there is a navigation link for the current page, a 'View page source' link, and the title 'Gepard Tool for studying the 3D quark and gluon distributions in the nucleon'. The main text describes the software as a tool for analyzing three-dimensional distributions of quarks and gluons in hadrons, encoded in terms of Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs). It lists the manifold purposes of the website: documentation of the software, examples of its use, an interface for numerical and graphical results, and an interface for datasets. A detailed 'Contents' section follows, listing various topics like installation, quickstart, tutorial, data points, GPDs, and theoretical building.

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- Documentation of the software
- Examples of the use of software
- Interface to various representations of results: numerical and graphical
- Interface to datasets used in analyses: numerical and graphical

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  - Detailed package info
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  - TODO items
- Data sets
  - ZEUS
  - H1
  - Collider data for fits

# Conclusion

- stable fits for higher  $Q^2$  and careful L-T separation
- $Q^5$  scaling after  $Q^2 \approx 10 \text{ GeV}^2$
- universal GPD structure emerges at NLO