

# L/T and flavor separation in $\pi^0$ electro-production (Hall A@Jlab)

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## DVCS2

- M. Mazouz *et al.*, “Rosenbluth separation of the  $\pi^0$  electro-production off the neutron”, PRL, Feb `17.
- M. Defurne, M. Mazouz *et al.*, “Rosenbluth separation of the  $\pi^0$  electro-production”, PRL, Aug `16.

## DVCS1

- E. Fuchey *et al.*, “Exclusive neutral pion electro-production in the Deeply Virtual Regime”, PRC, Mar `10.

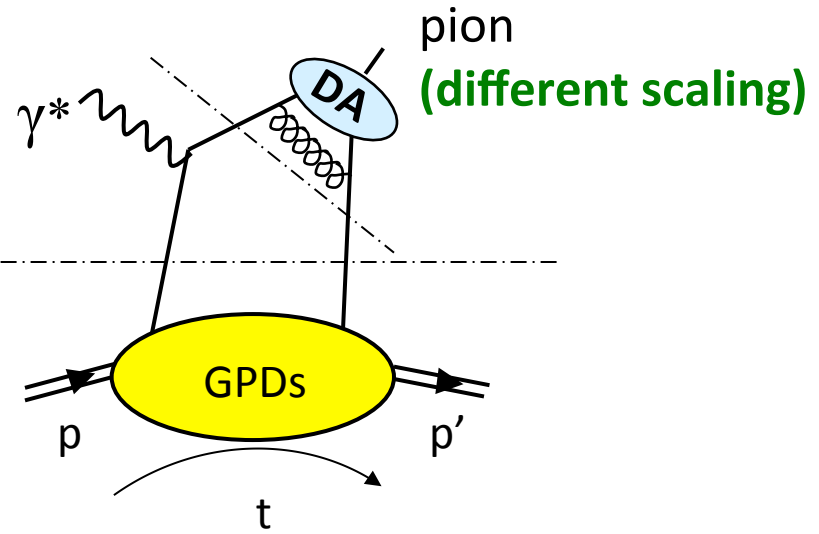
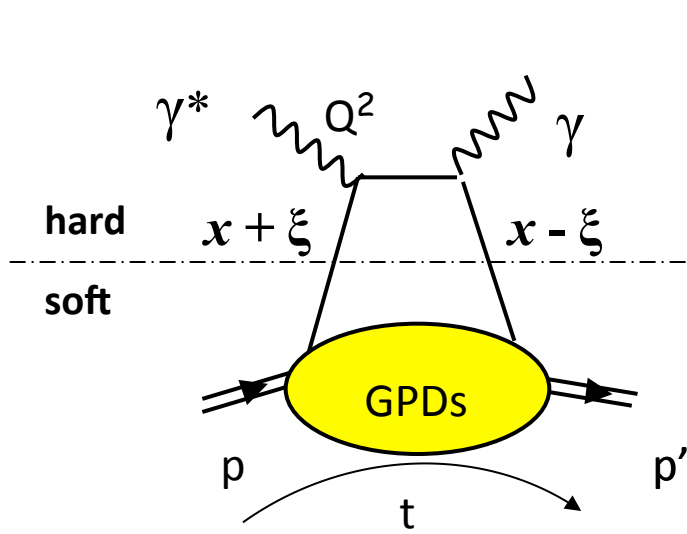
## Thesis:

- M. Defurne, U of Paris IV, Jun `15.
- E. Fuchey, Clermont U, Apr `11.



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# $\gamma/\pi^0$ Production : same GPDs??



	Nucleon Helicity	
	conserving	non-conserving
unpolarized GPD	H	E
polarized GPD	$\tilde{H}$	$\tilde{E}$

## Chiral even GPDs:

helicity of the parton is conserved

Chiral even GPDs

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**Chiral-odd GPDs**

(helicity of the parton can flip  
in the top part of the process)

Different scaling and additional GPDs

# Hall A/C DVCS is part of a worldwide program

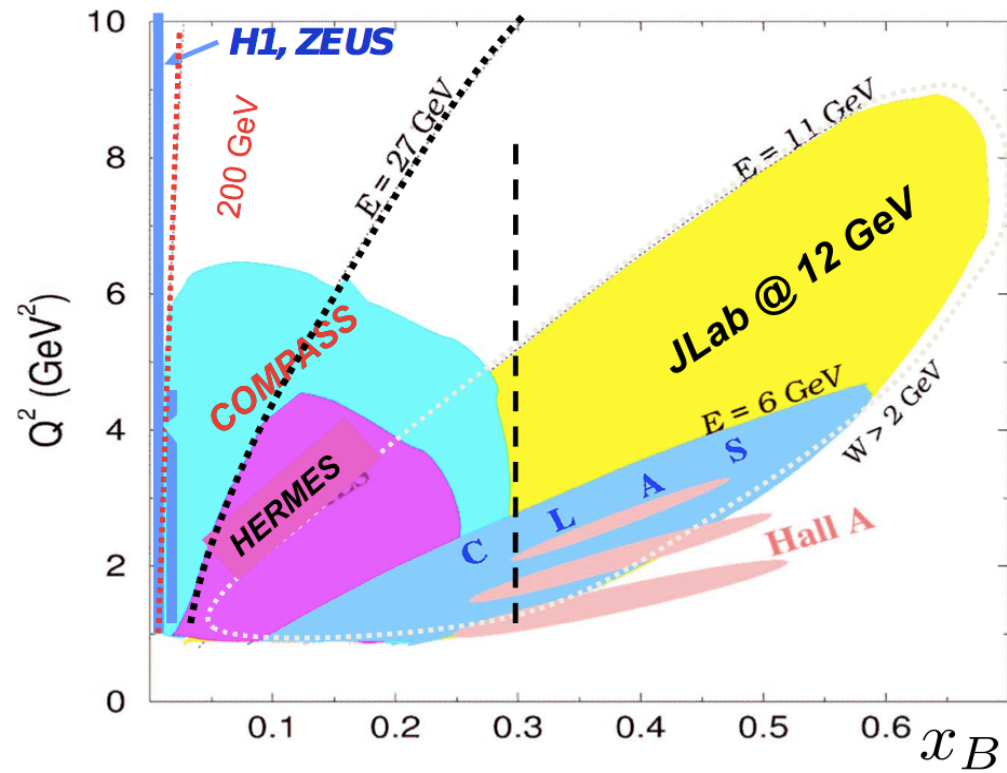
## Timeline

- Pioneering results from non-dedicated experiments (Hall B and Hermes): ~2001
- First round of dedicated experiments (Hall A/B and Hermes): ~ 2005 ← DVCS1
- Second round of dedicated experiments (Halls A/B): ~2010 ← DVCS2
- Compelling DVCS program at JLab-12 GeV and Compass: 2014 and later ← DVCS3

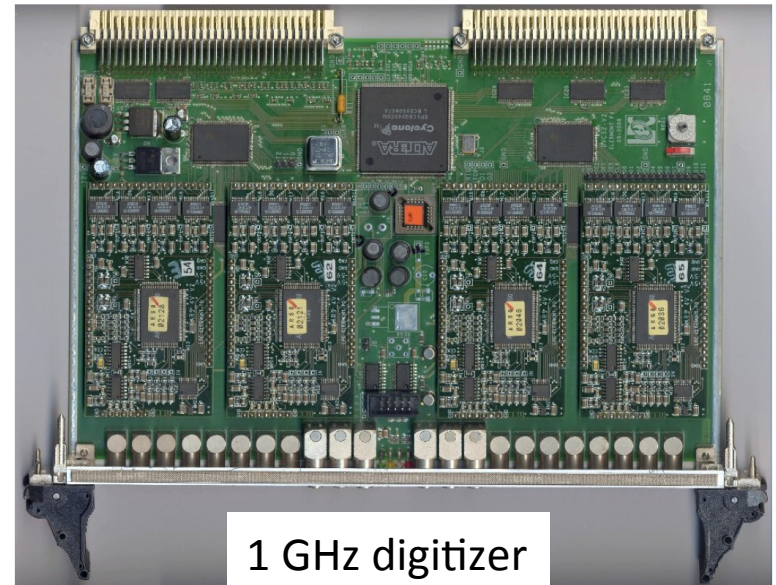
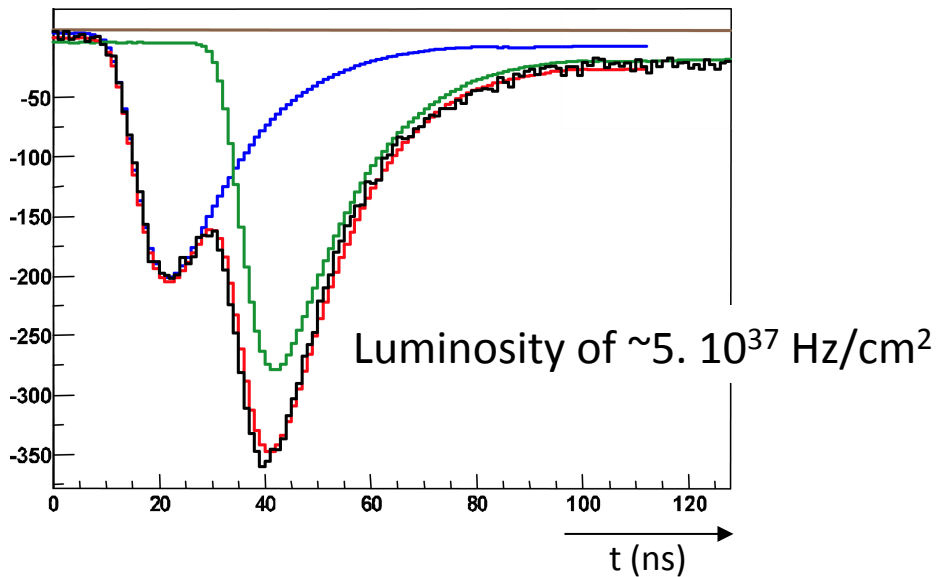
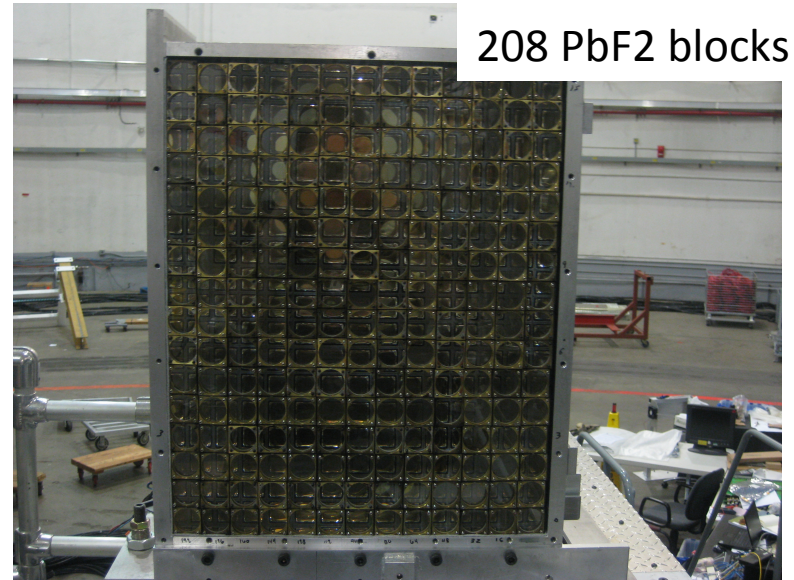
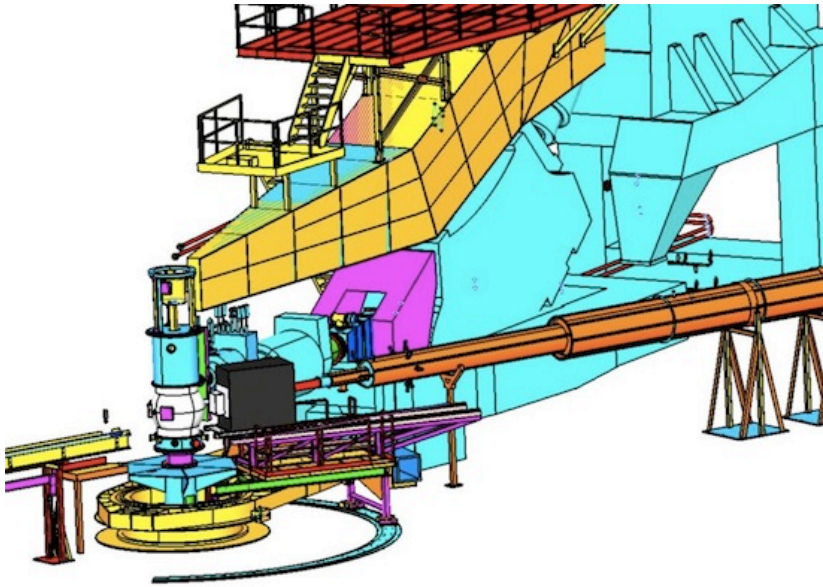
## In the valence region (JLab)

Partially complimentary, overlapping

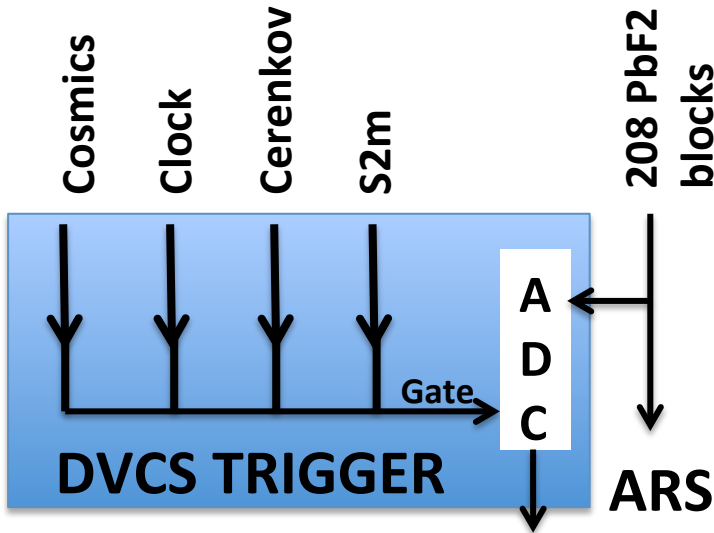
- Hall A: high accuracy (~5%)  
: limited kinematic
- Hall B: wide kinematic range  
: limited accuracy (15+%)



# The Hall A detector scheme



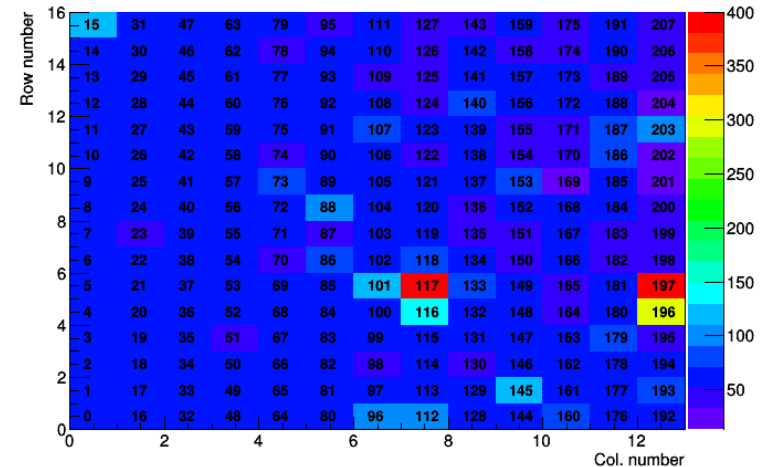
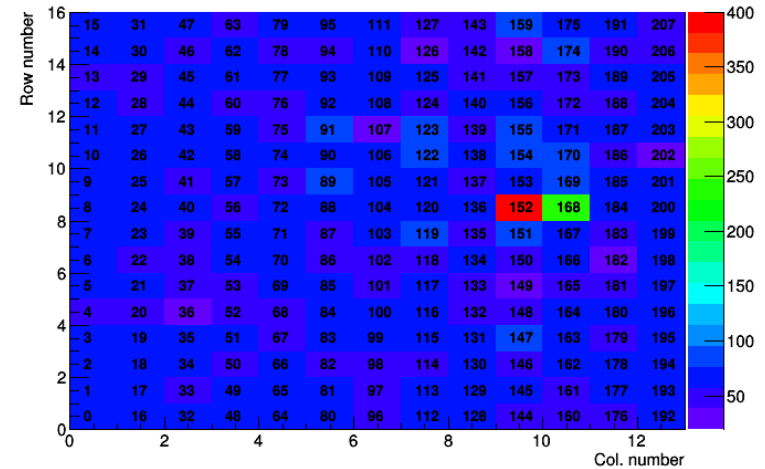
# Trigger with *at least one* cluster in the calo.



Triggers if a group of 2\*2 blocks is above threshold

DVCS3- kin	1 cluster	2 clusters
36_1	100	23
36_2	100	27
36_3	100	26

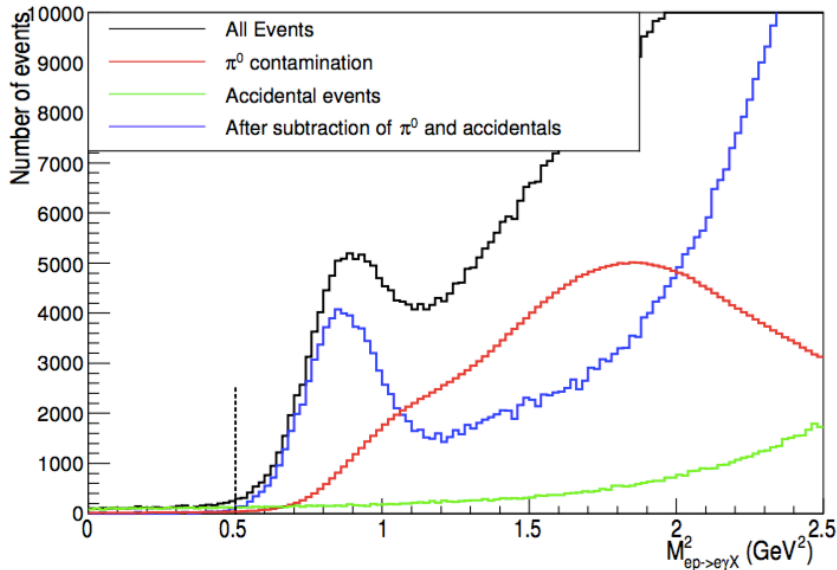
In some case, this trigger is by-passed



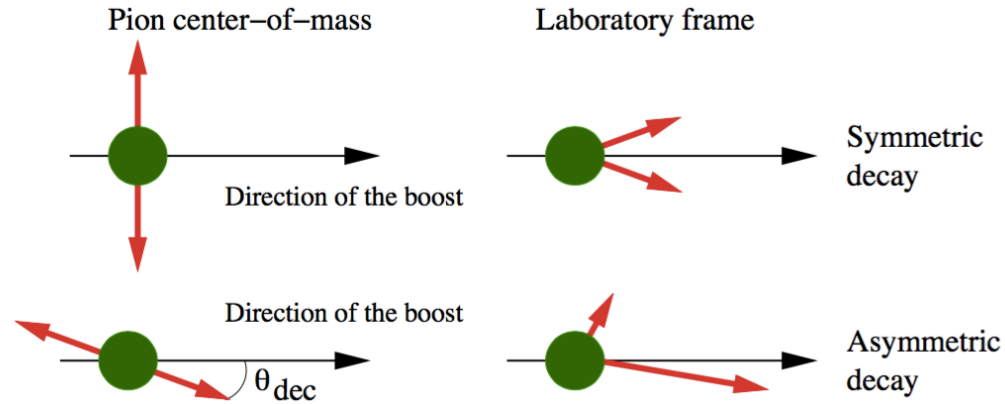
Target-Calorimeter distance such that  $2\gamma$  from  $\pi^0$  are separated by 3 blocks

# 2-clusters events used for DVCS analysis

2004-Kin2

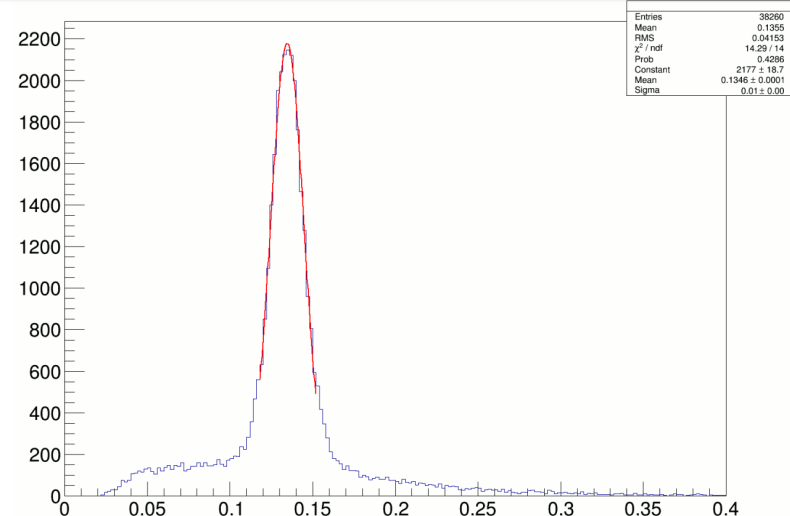


Evaluation of  $\pi^0$  contamination to DVCS signal

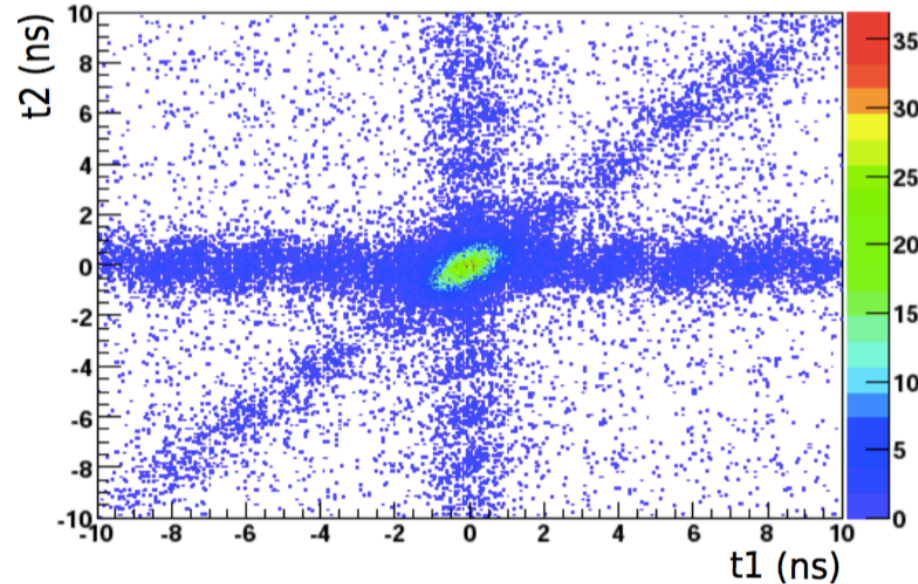


## Monitoring and fine adjusting of energy calibration

- First pass: elastic calibration  $p(e, e'p')$ : invasive about every 4 weeks
- Second pass:  $\pi^0$  calibration with about 1 day of data parasitic to DVCS data taking



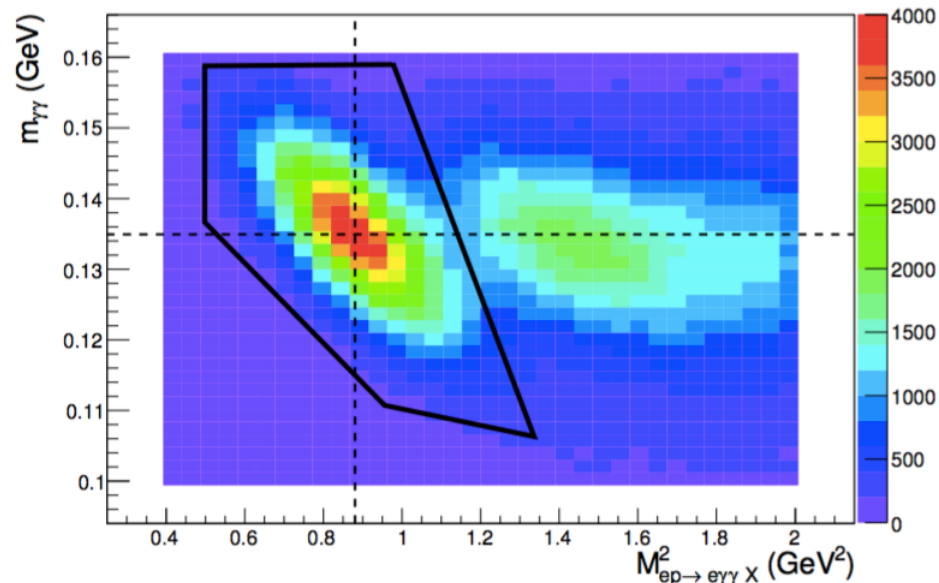
# Toward selecting $p(e, e' \pi^0) p'$ for physics



- Software threshold of 500 MeV on each cluster
- Avoid the edge of the calorimeter to ensure full reconstruction of the EM shower.

$$t_i = t(e') - t(\gamma_i)$$

- $e' \gamma_1 \gamma_2$  all in coincidence
- $e' \gamma$  in coincidence but not with the other  $\gamma$
- $\gamma_1 \gamma_2$  in coincidence but not with  $e'$
- $e' \gamma_1 \gamma_2$  all in random coincidence.



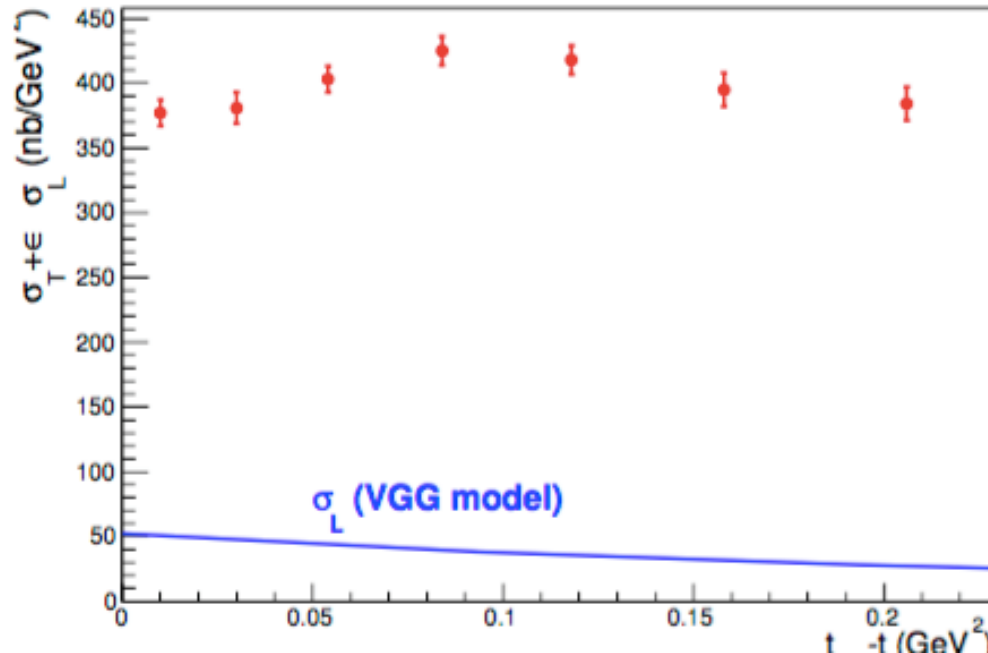
# Hard Exclusive Meson cross-section

$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{dt d\phi dQ^2 dx_B} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \Gamma_{\gamma^*}(Q^2, x_B, E_e) \left[ \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \frac{d\sigma_{TL}}{dt} \cos(\phi) + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \cos(2\phi) \right]$$

At first thought, if QCD factorization applies:

$\sigma_L$  expected to dominate with  $\sigma_T$  suppressed by  $1/Q$ .

But:



## DVCS1 results

Fuchey et al. Phys Rev C  
83.025201 (2011)

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

$x_B = 0.36$

$\epsilon = 0.61$

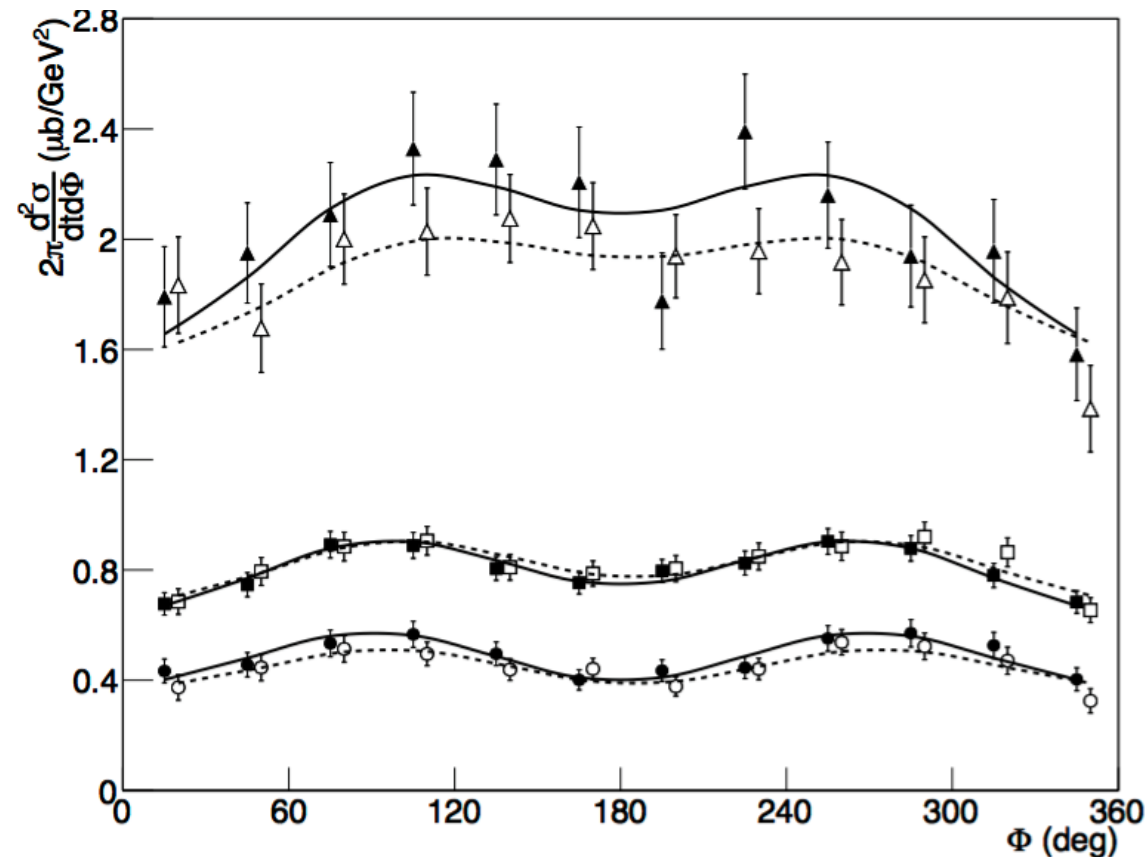
Similar results at:

- CLAS with  $\pi^0$
- HERMES & Hall C with  $\pi^+$



$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{dt d\phi dQ^2 dx_B} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \Gamma_{\gamma^*}(Q^2, x_B, E_e) \left[ \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \frac{d\sigma_{TL}}{dt} \cos(\phi) + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \cos(2\phi) \right]$$

Setting	$E$ (GeV)	$Q^2$ (GeV <sup>2</sup> )	$x_B$	$\epsilon$	
2010-Kin1	(3.355 ; 5.55)	1.5	0.36	(0.52 ; 0.84)	△ ▲
2010-Kin2	(4.455 ; 5.55)	1.75	0.36	(0.65 ; 0.79)	□ ■
2010-Kin3	(4.455 ; 5.55)	2	0.36	(0.53 ; 0.72)	○ ●



## DVCS2 results

M. Defurne et al.  
PRL 117, 26 (2015)

$x_B=0.36$

$t-t_{\min}=0.025 \text{ GeV}^2$

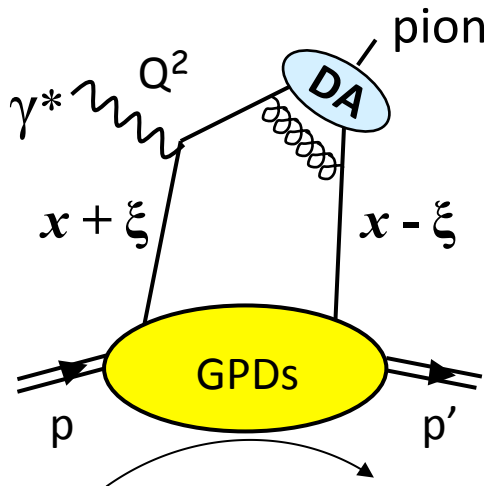
# Why such a large $d\sigma_T$ contribution?

Modified factorization approach proposed by

- Ahmad, Golstein and Liuti (Phys.Rev.D79, 054014 (2009))
- Goloskokov and Kroll (Eur.Phys.J A47, 112(2011))

In these models:

- Factorization is possible because of the specific make up of the mesons (singularities cancellations),
- Twist-3 Distribution amplitudes couple with transversity GPDs.

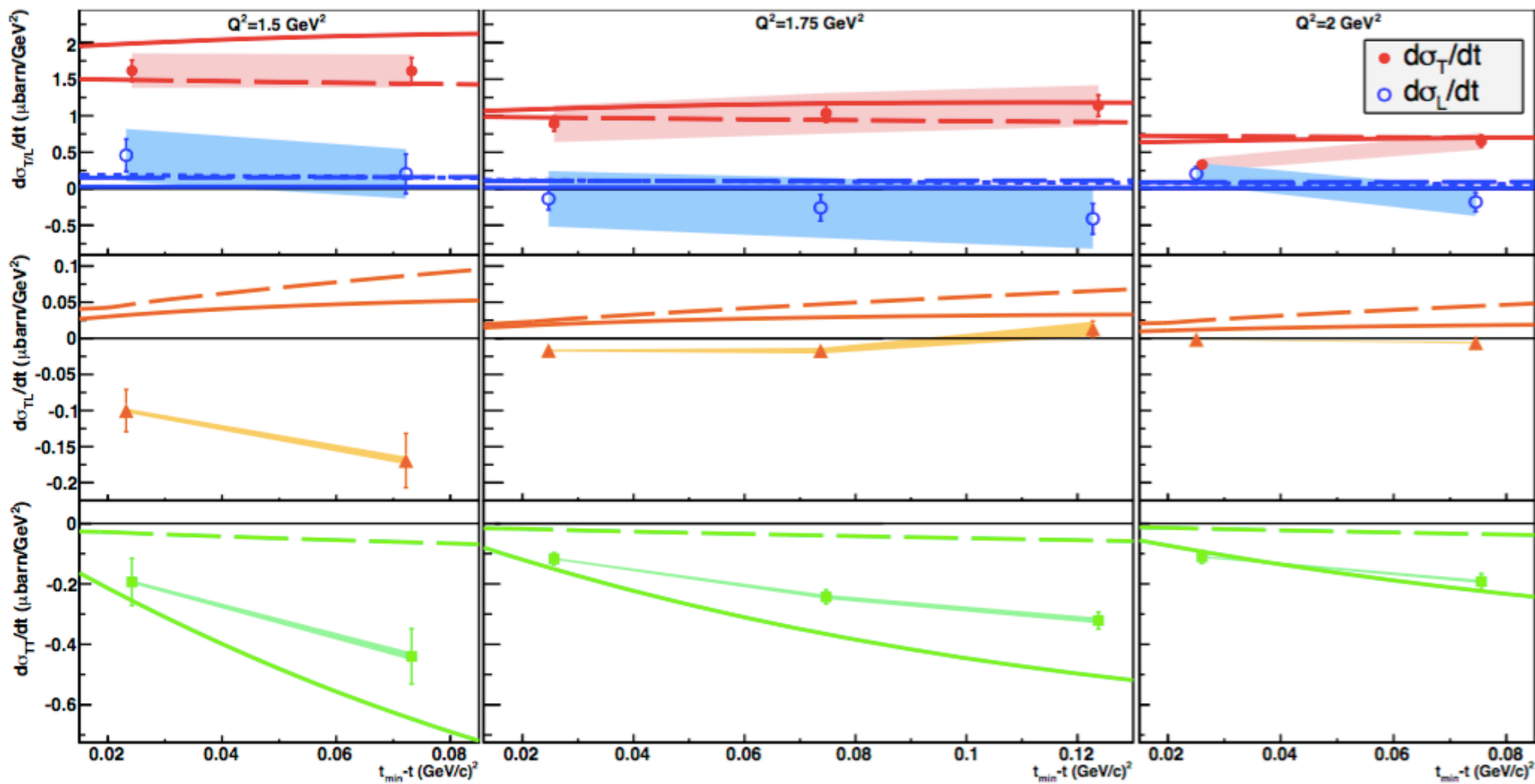


$$\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{2k'} \frac{\mu_\pi^2}{Q^8} \left[ (1 - \xi^2) |\mathcal{H}_T|^2 - \frac{t'}{8m^2} |2\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_T + \mathcal{E}_T|^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{2k'} \frac{\mu_\pi^2}{Q^8} \frac{t'}{16m^2} |2\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_T + \mathcal{E}_T|^2,$$

$$\mu_\pi = \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_u + m_d} \simeq 2.5 \text{ GeV} > \text{experimental } Q \text{ (less than 1.4)}$$

# DVCS2 results: fully separated contributions



--- G-H-L ('11)  
 --- G-K

Small  $d\sigma_L$ , large  $d\sigma_T$ : models ok on these  
 Wrong sign and  $Q$  dependence on  $d\sigma_{TL}$  and  $d\sigma_{TT}$   
 $d\sigma_{TL}$  sizeable  $\Rightarrow d\sigma_L$  is small but not null

# DVCS2 results neutron data

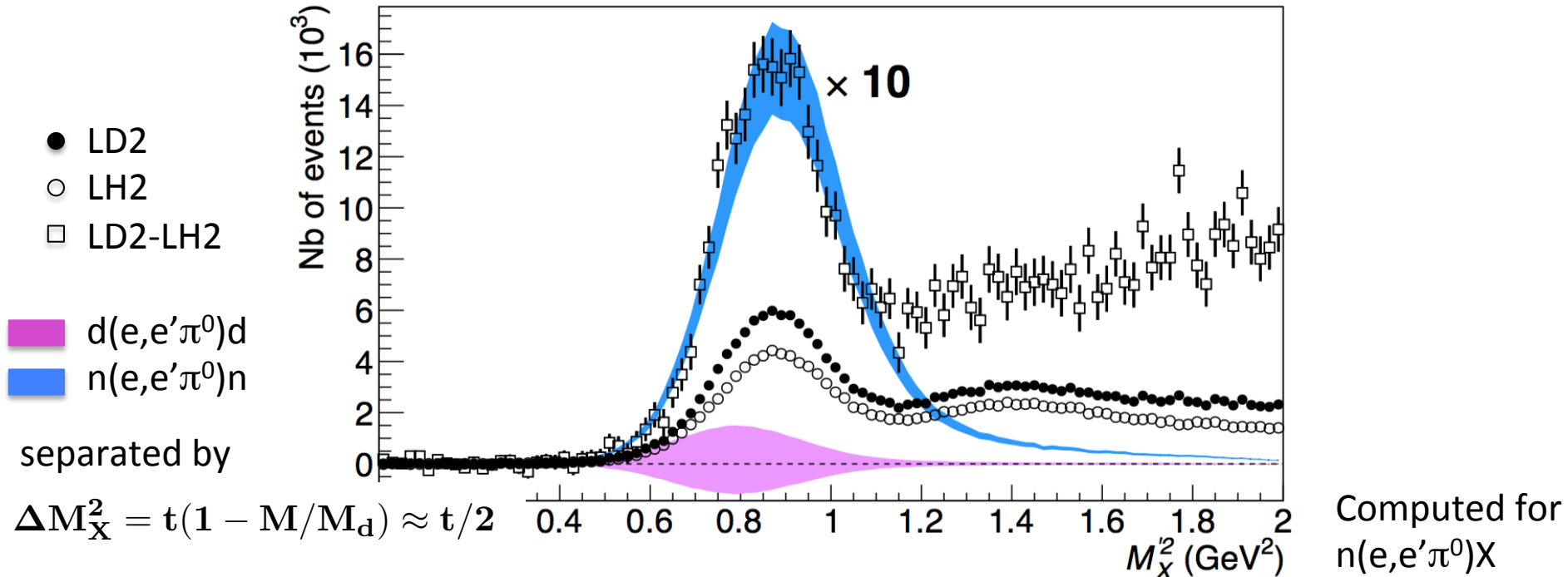
M. Mazouz PRL 118 (2017) 22, 222002

At  $Q^2=1.75 \text{ GeV}^2$  and  $x_B=0.36$ , half of the data taken on a LD2 target.

Below the two pions threshold:

From LH2,  
add Fermi smearing

$$D(e, e' \pi^0)X = d(e, e' \pi^0)d + n(e, e' \pi^0)n + p(e, e' \pi^0)p.$$



Events with missing mass squared below  $0.95 \text{ GeV}^2$ :

- are divided in  $12 \times 2 \times 5 \times 30$  bins in  $\phi$ ,  $E$ ,  $t$  and  $M_x^2$

$\phi$ ,  $E$  allow for L, T, LT and TT separation

$M_x^2$  allows for the n/d separation

- fitted with eight cross-section function structure

$$d\sigma_{\Lambda}^{n,d}(t)$$

$$\Lambda = T, L, LT, TT$$

$$Q^2=1.75 \text{ GeV}^2 \text{ and } x_B=0.36$$

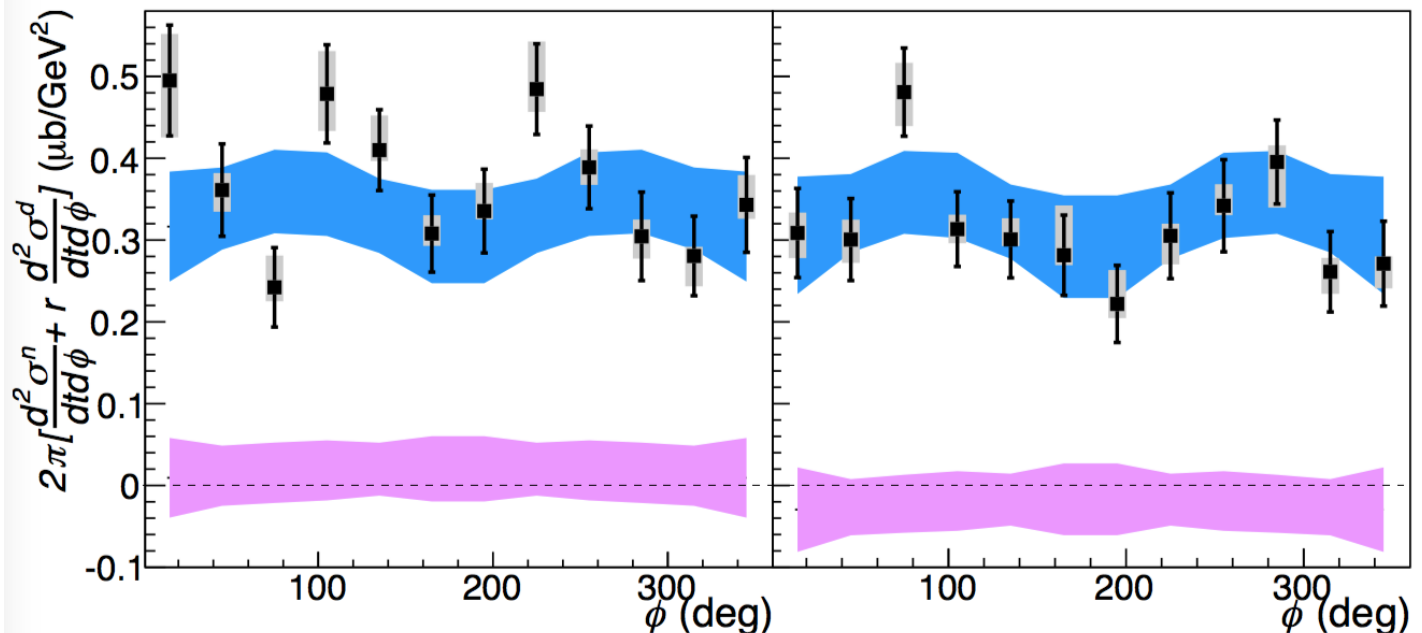
$$E=4.45 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\langle t' \rangle = 0.025 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$E=5.55 \text{ GeV}$$

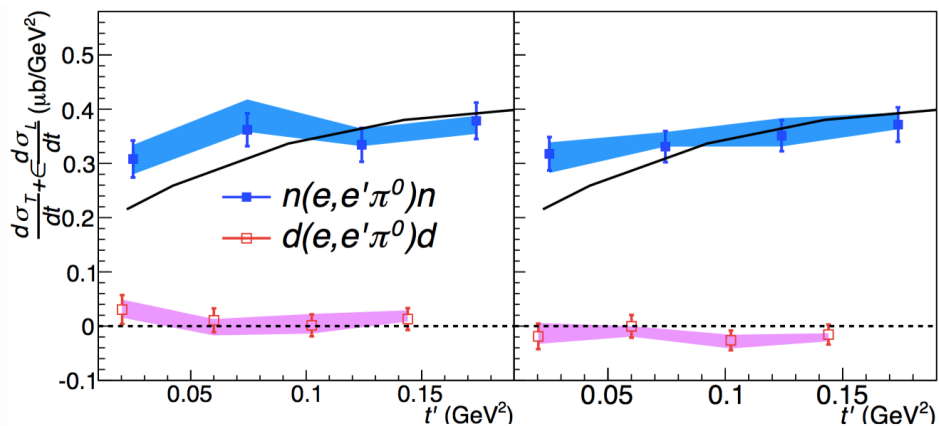
$$\langle t' \rangle = 0.021 \text{ GeV}^2$$

■  $d(e, e' \pi^0) d$   
■  $n(e, e' \pi^0) n$



# DVCS2n results: fully separated contributions

$Q^2=1.75 \text{ GeV}^2$  and  $x_B=0.36$

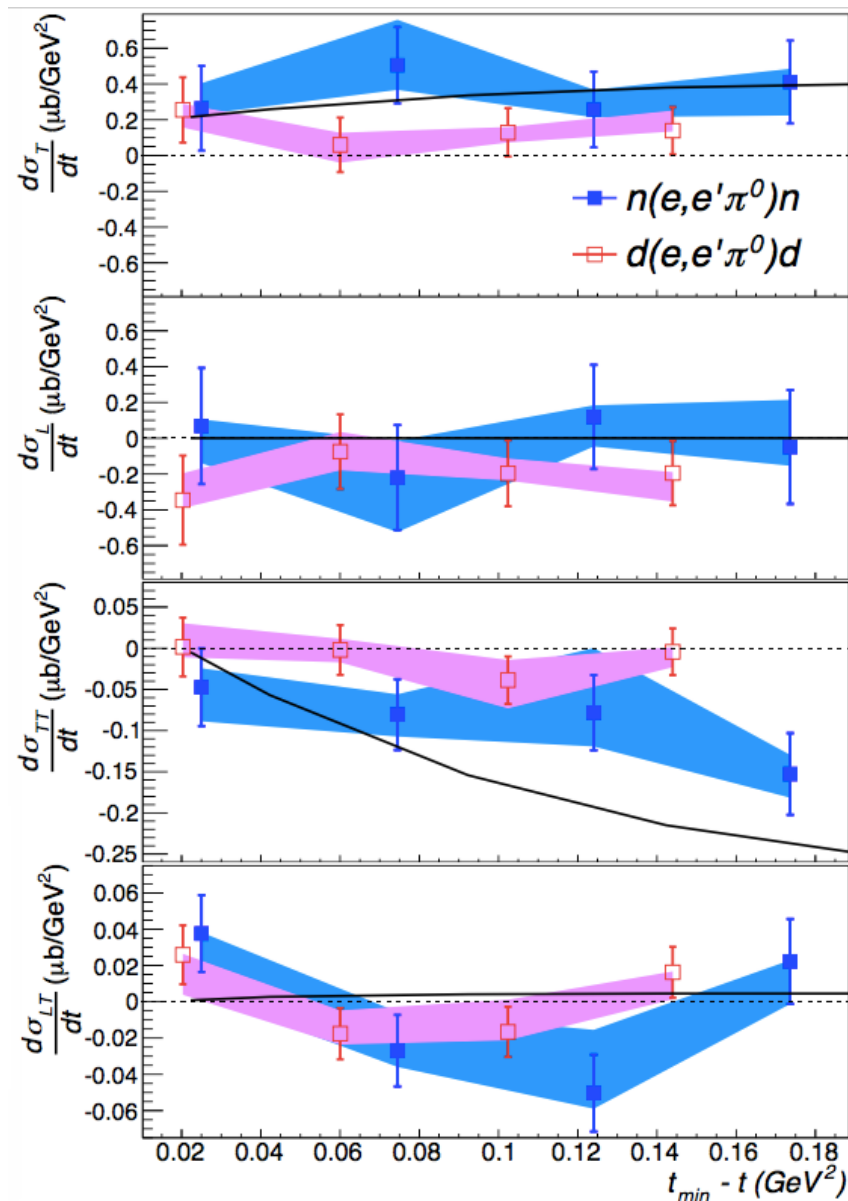


— Goloskokov and Kroll  
Eur Phys J A47 (2012)

$$\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} = \Lambda \left[ (1 - \xi^2) |\langle H_T \rangle|^2 - \frac{t'}{8M^2} |\langle \bar{E}_T \rangle|^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} = \Lambda \frac{t'}{8M^2} |\langle \bar{E}_T \rangle|^2 .$$

$$\bar{E}_T = 2\tilde{H}_T + E_T$$



# DVCS2n results: flavor separation

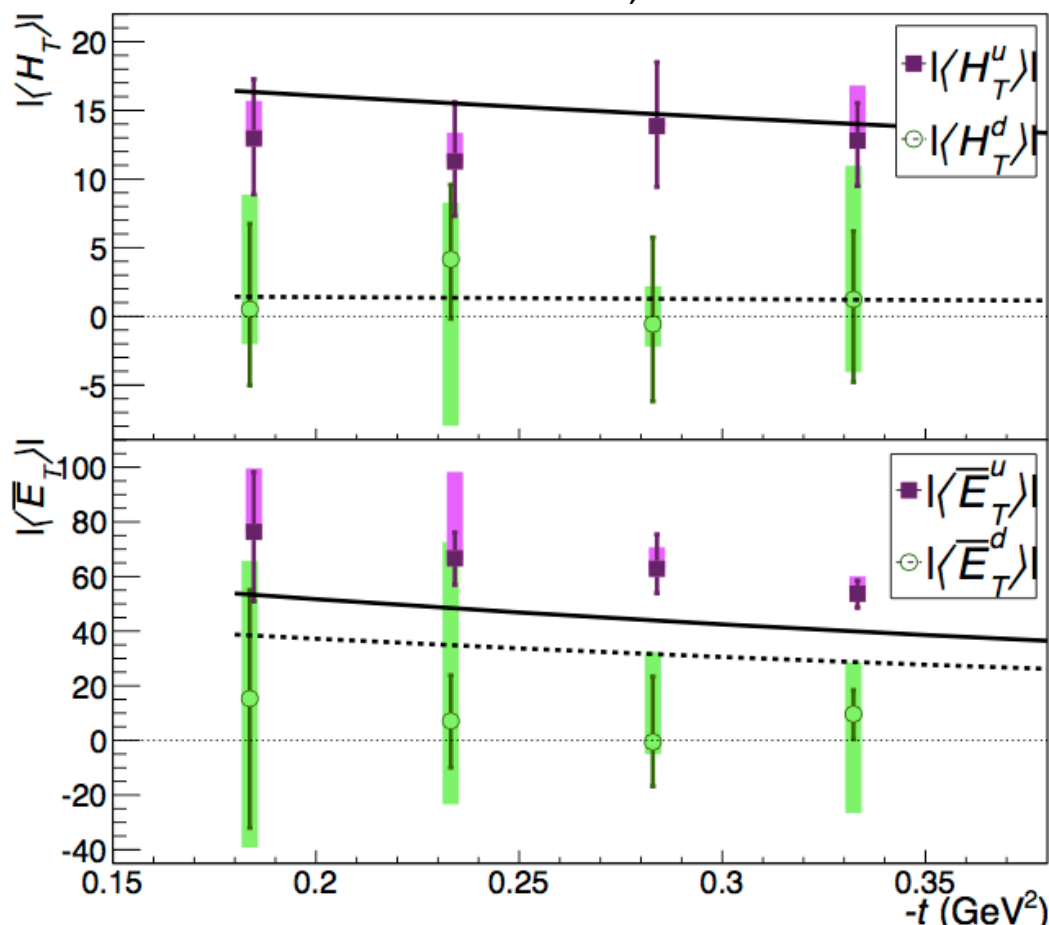
$$|\langle H_T^{p,n} \rangle|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{2}{3} \langle H_T^{u,d} \rangle + \frac{1}{3} \langle H_T^{d,u} \rangle \right|^2$$

$Q^2=1.75 \text{ GeV}^2, x_B=0.36$

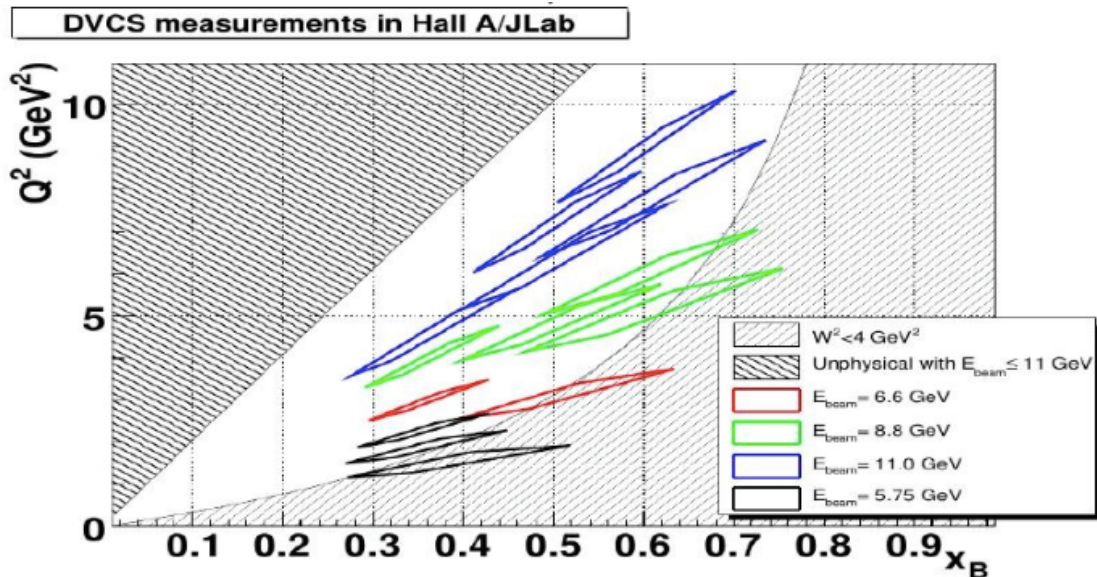
account for the unknown phase variation between u and the d amplitude  $\gamma^*q \rightarrow q'\pi^0$  convoluted with  $(H,E)_T$

Goloskokov and Kroll  
Eur Phys J A47 (2012)

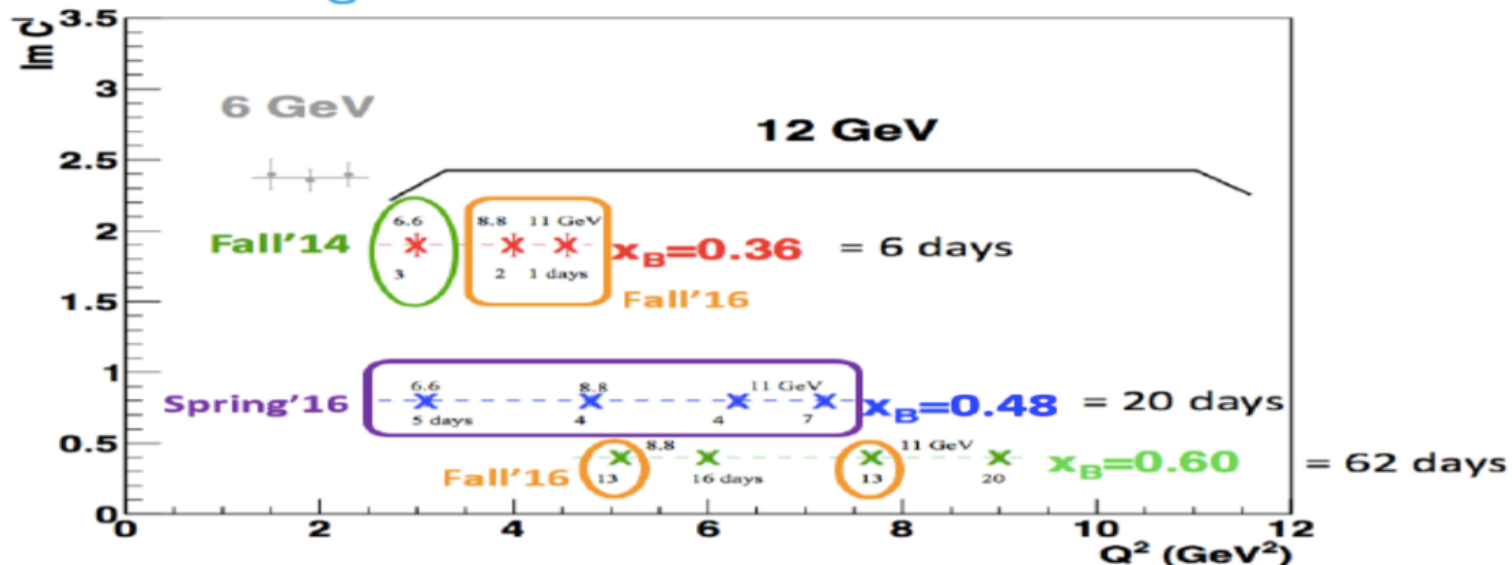
— u quark  
- - - d quark



# E12-06-114: high impact experiment



## Scaling tests of the DVCS cross section

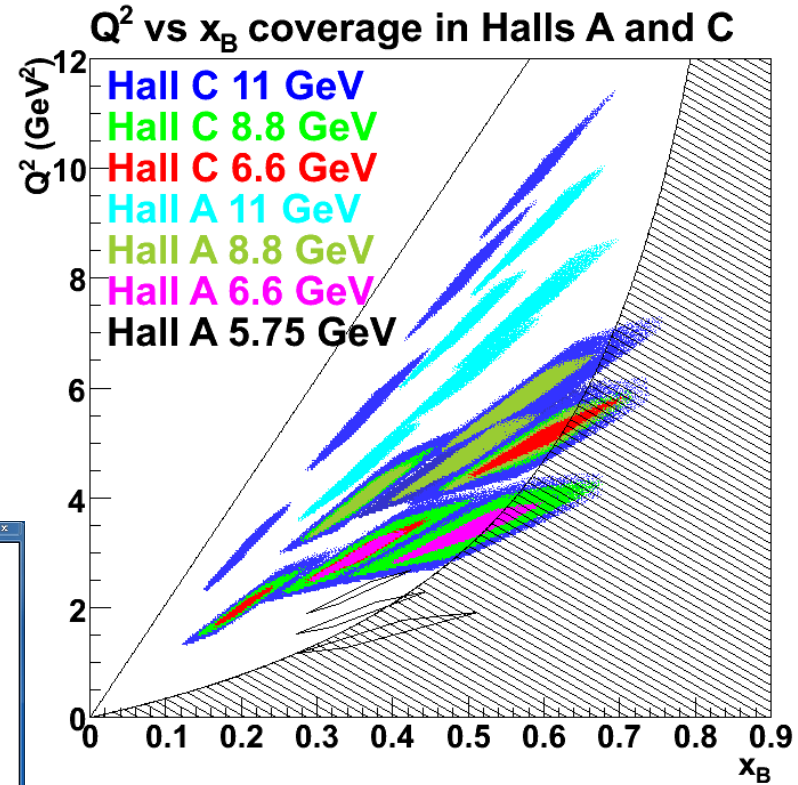


50 % of  
PAC allocation  
taken in between  
2014 and 2016



# E12-13-010: "DVCS" at 11 GeV in Hall C

- Energy separation of the DVCS cross section
- Higher  $Q^2$ : measurement of higher twist contributions
- Low  $x_B$  extension (thanks to sweeping magnet)

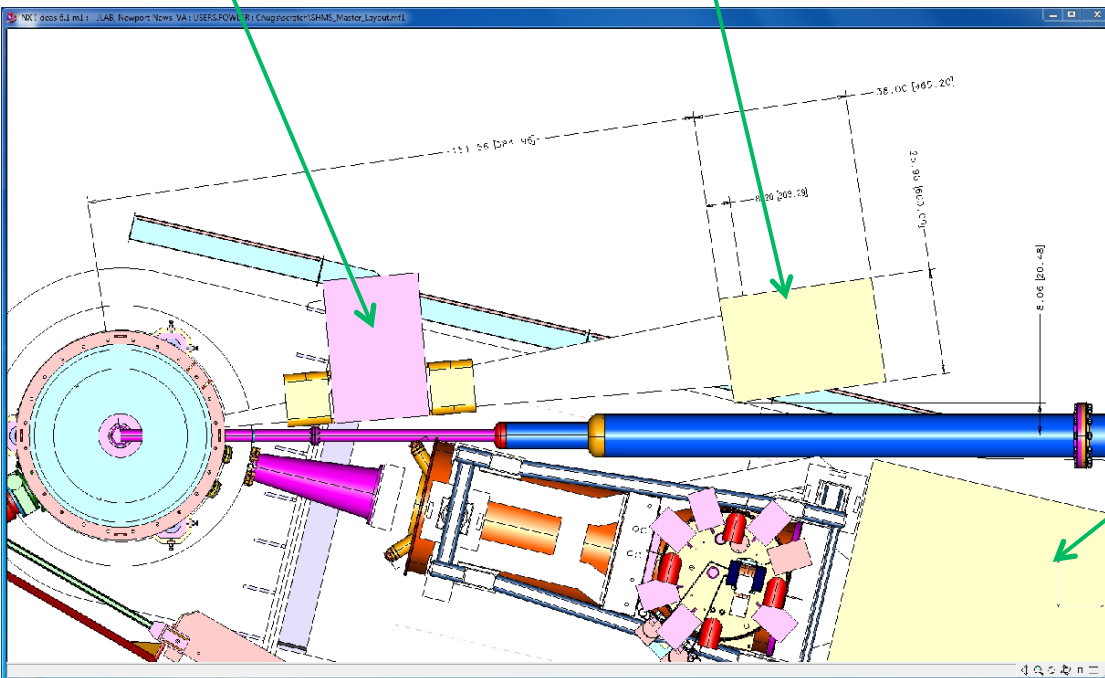


Sweeping magnet

1116-block  $\text{PbWO}_4$  calorimeter

Hall C  
HMS

Tentative running:  
~ 2019-20 ??



# E12-13-010: electro-production of $\pi^0$ in Hall C

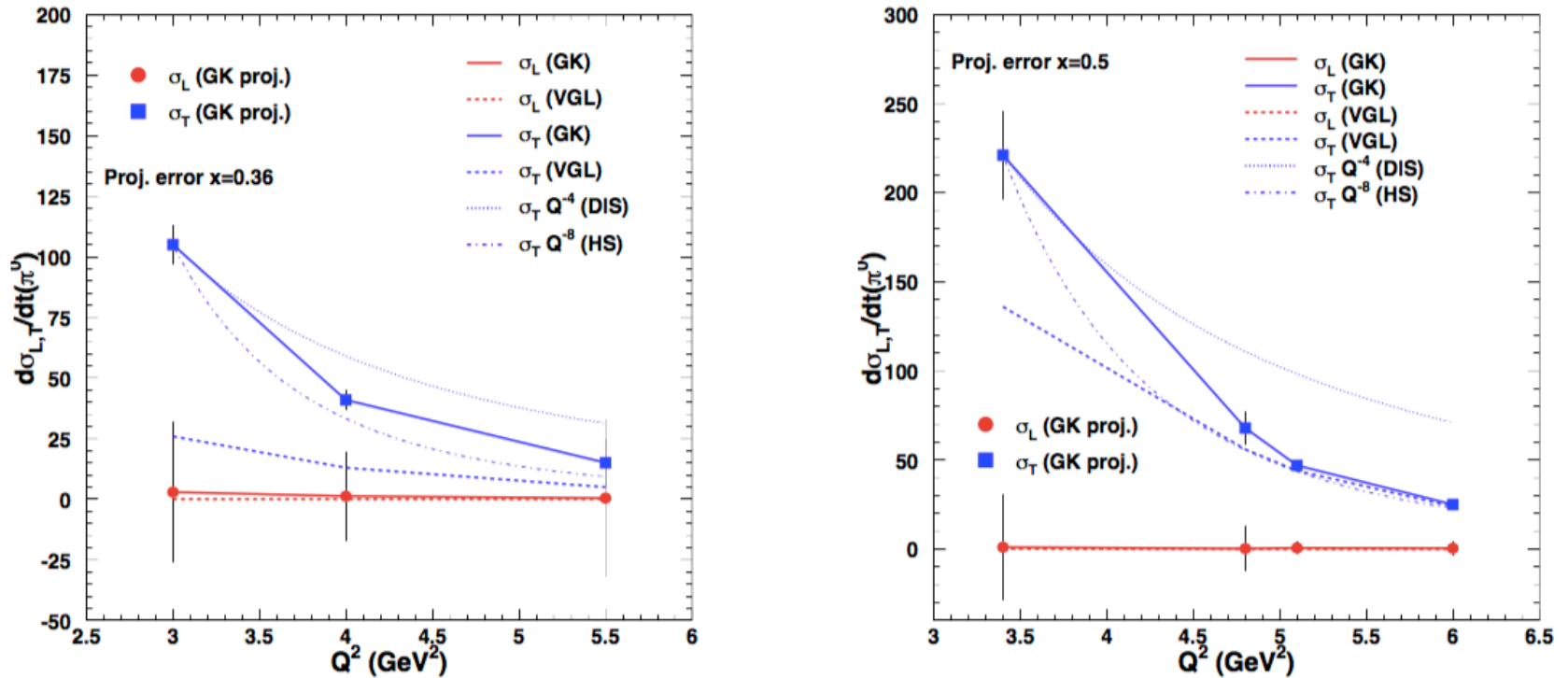


FIG. 3: Projected uncertainties for the  $Q^2$  dependence of  $\sigma_L$  and  $\sigma_T$  at fixed  $x_B=0.36, 0.5$ . The points are plotted assuming the GK model predictions. Also shown are the hard scattering (HS,  $R=\sigma_L/\sigma_T \propto 1/Q^2$ ) and the DIS (DIS,  $R \propto 1/Q^2$ ) expectation, and the model predictions of the VGL (Regge) model. The points at  $Q^2=5.1$  and  $6.0$  GeV $^2$  in the right panel are scaled from the  $x_B=0.6$  setting in Table III and include events from the Hall A DVCS experiment [28] for the low beam energy in the L/T separation where appropriate. The point at  $Q^2=5.5$  GeV $^2$  also includes events from the Hall A experiment for the low beam energy in the L/T separation.

# Outlook

- Our scheme is to measure electro-production of  $\pi^0$  parasitically to DVCS.
  - We have published  $\pi^0$  data on proton and neutron for all our 6GeV data.
  - We have data on tape at 12 GeV (one energy only).
  - We will take data at 12 GeV with NPS (multiple energies).
- Our data support the dominance of  $\sigma_T$  measured by HERMES and CLAS and explained by the modified factorization approach proposed by Liuti and by Kroll
  - Can experiment provide data that would further “test” this modified factorization scheme?
- We have published a first flavor separation of the  $\langle HT \rangle$  and  $\langle ET \rangle$ . A limiting factor to the precision of this measurement is the relative phase between the u and d amplitudes. This could be mitigated by exclusive  $p(\gamma^*, \eta p)$  data.
  - Is this worth it?