

Spin Density Matrix Elements in Exclusive Muoproduction of Vector Mesons at COMPASS

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RRTF: Impact of Vector Mesons on the Studies of the 3D Structure of the Nucleon



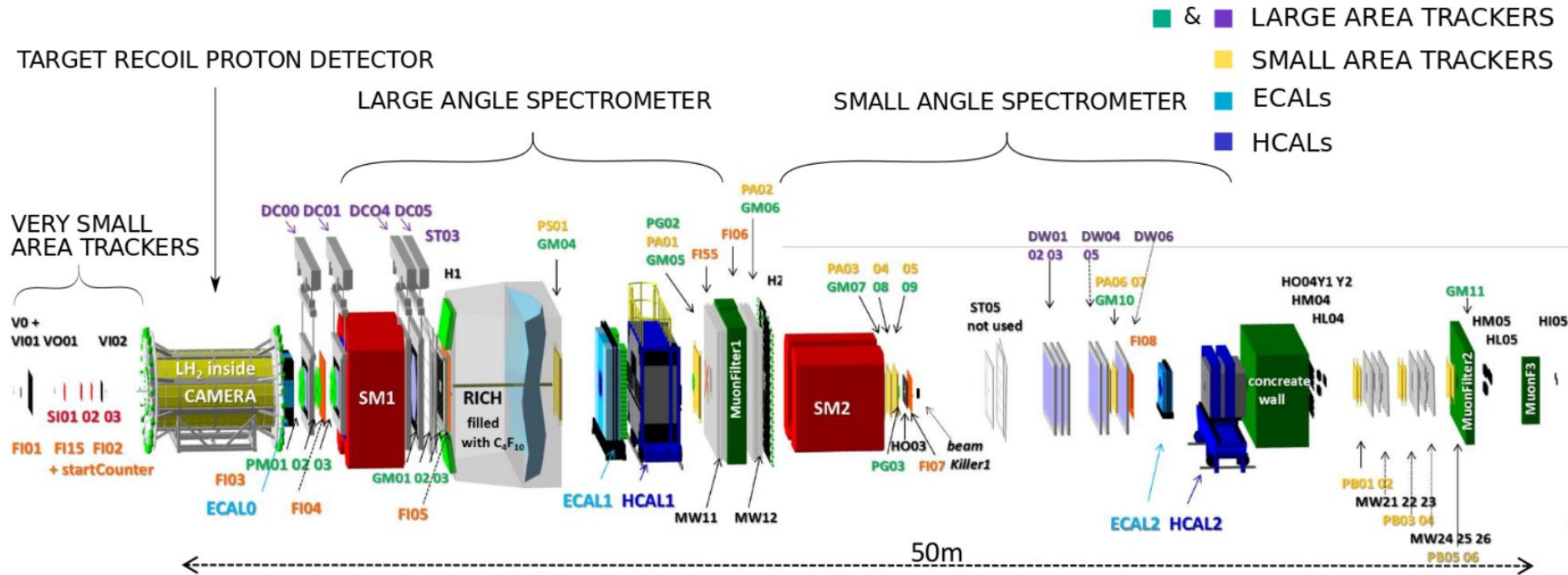
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COMPASS Experiment – Setup



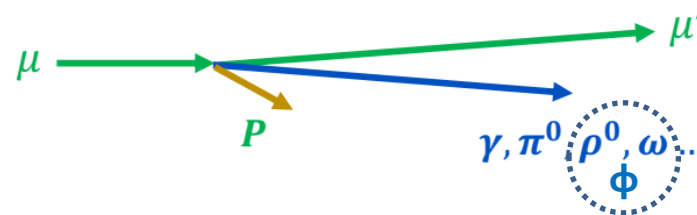
NIMA 577 (2007)
455–518
&
NIMA 779 (2015)
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μ^+ , μ^- beams

polarization $\sim \pm 80\%$

energy 160 GeV

Exclusive Muoproduction



2007 (DIS&SIDIS): μ^+p @160 GeV, **T polarized NH₃ target**

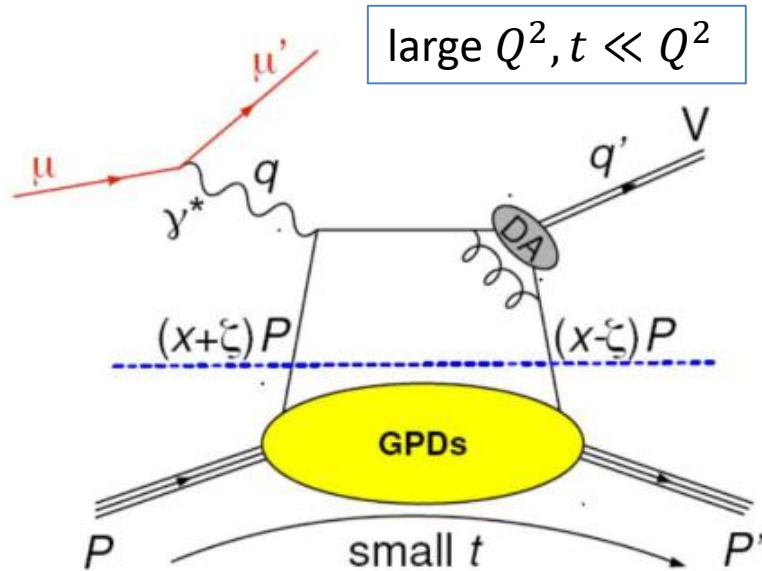
2010 (SIDIS): μ^+p @160 GeV, **T polarized NH₃ target**

2012 pilot run (DVCS/HEMP/SIDIS): $\mu^+ \& \mu^- p$ @160 GeV,
unpolarized LH₂ target

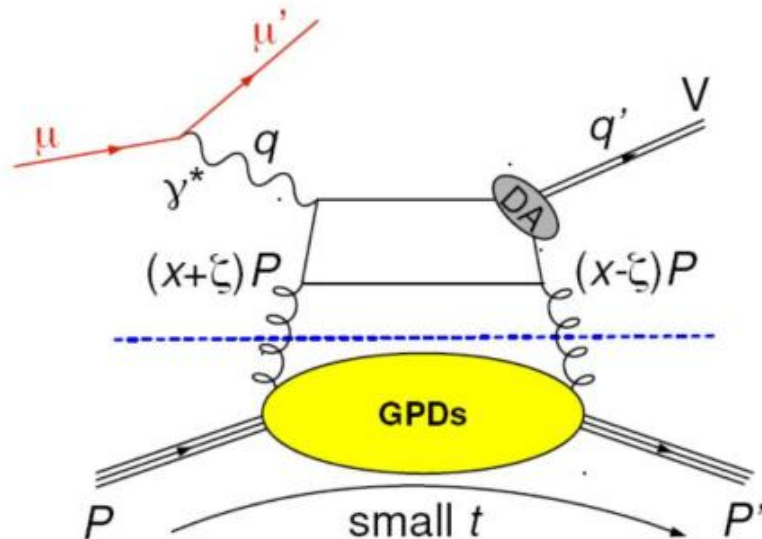
2016-17 (DVCS/HEMP/SIDIS): $\mu^+ \& \mu^- p$ @160 GeV,
unpolarized LH₂ target

GPDs and Hard Exclusive Meson Production

quark contribution



gluon contribution



- ❖ Meson described by **Distribution Amplitude (DA)** (additional non-perturbative input)
- ❖ **Quark & gluon contributions** enter at the same order in α_s (for vector mesons)
- ❖ **Flavor filtering:** different mesons $\rightarrow$ access to **parton-specific GPDs**
 - ❖ Vector mesons $\rightarrow H, E$
 - ❖ Pseudoscalar mesons $\rightarrow \tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$
 - ❖ All mesons $\rightarrow$ chiral-odd $\bar{E}_T, \tilde{E}_T, H_T, \tilde{H}_T$
- ❖ $E_{\rho_0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{2}{3} E^u + \frac{1}{3} E^d + \frac{3}{4} E^g / x \right)$
- ❖ $E_{\omega} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{2}{3} E^u - \frac{1}{3} E^d + \frac{1}{4} E^g / x \right)$
- ❖ $E_{\phi} = -\frac{1}{3} E^s + \frac{1}{4} E^g / x$

COMPASS can measure $\omega, \rho^0, \phi, (J/\psi)$

Vector Meson Spin-density Matrix

$$\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V} = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma \lambda_N \lambda'_N} F_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N} \mathcal{Q}_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma}^{U+L} F_{\lambda'_V \lambda'_N \lambda'_\gamma \lambda_N}^*$$

helicity of vector meson V
helicities of virtual photon γ and nucleon N
photon spin density matrix ($\mu \rightarrow \mu' + \gamma^*$); calculable on QED

$$\mathcal{Q}_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma}^{U+L} = \mathcal{Q}_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma}^U + P_b \mathcal{Q}_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma}^L$$

- ❖ **Helicity amplitudes F :** describe transitions $(\lambda_\gamma, \lambda_N \rightarrow \lambda_V, \lambda'_N)$, depend on W, Q^2, p_T^2
- ❖ $\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}$ decomposes into 9 matrices $\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha$ corresponding to different photon polarization states ($\alpha=0-3$ transverse, $\alpha=4$ longitudinal, $\alpha=5-8$ interference terms)
- ❖ **No L/T separation** at COMPASS $\rightarrow$ **23** “unseparated” SDMEs:

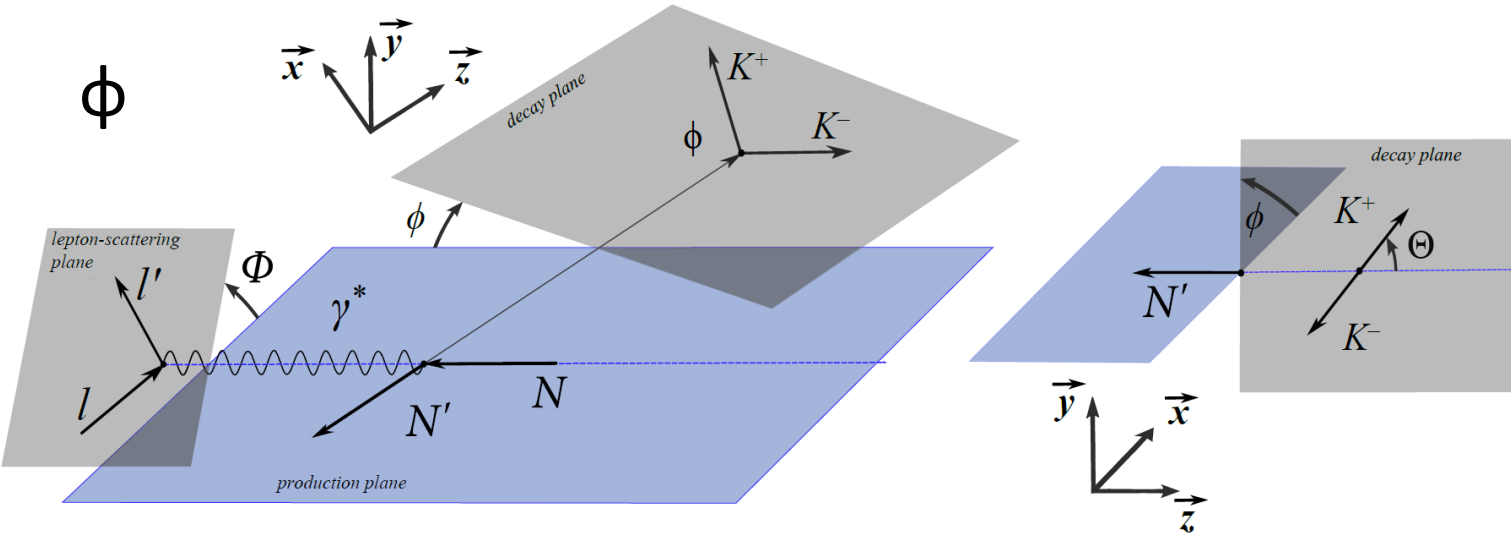
K. Schilling and G. Wolf,
Nucl. Phys. B **61**, 381(1973)

$$r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^{04} = (\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^0 + \epsilon R \rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^4)(1 + \epsilon R)^{-1}, \quad r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha = \begin{cases} \rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha (1 + \epsilon R)^{-1}, & \alpha = 1, 2, 3, \\ \sqrt{R} \rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha (1 + \epsilon R)^{-1}, & \alpha = 5, 6, 7, 8. \end{cases}$$

$R = d\sigma_L/d\sigma_T$ differential L/T cross-section ratio of virtual photons and ϵ virtual-photon polarization

23 SDMEs
↓
we actually measure

1. exp. angular distributions



$$\cos \Phi = \frac{(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k}')}{|\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{v}| \cdot |\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k}'|},$$

$$\cos \phi = \frac{(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{p}_{\pi^+})}{|(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{v})| \cdot |\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{p}_{\pi^+}|},$$

$$\sin \Phi = \frac{[(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{v}) \times (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k}')] \cdot \mathbf{q}}{|\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{v}| \cdot |\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k}'| \cdot |\mathbf{q}|}.$$

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$$\cos \Theta = -\frac{\mathbf{P}' \cdot \mathbf{P}_{\pi^+}}{|\mathbf{P}'| \cdot |\mathbf{P}_{\pi^+}|}$$

$$W_U(\phi, \cos \theta) = \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left[\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}(1 - r_{00}^{04}) + \frac{1}{2}(3r_{00}^{04} - 1)\cos^2 \theta - \\ & \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Re}\{r_{10}^{04}\}\sin 2\theta \cos \phi - \\ & r_{1-1}^{04}\sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi - \\ & \varepsilon \cos 2\Phi \left(\begin{aligned} & r_{11}^1 \sin^2 \theta + \\ & r_{00}^1 \cos^2 \theta - \\ & \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Re}\{r_{10}^1\}\sin 2\theta \cos \phi - \\ & r_{1-1}^1 \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi \end{aligned} \right) - \\ & \varepsilon \sin 2\Phi \left(\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Im}\{r_{10}^2\}\sin 2\theta \sin \phi + \\ & \operatorname{Im}\{r_{1-1}^2\}\sin^2 \theta \sin 2\phi \end{aligned} \right) + \\ & \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \cos \Phi \left(\begin{aligned} & r_{11}^5 \sin^2 \theta + r_{00}^5 \cos^2 \theta - \\ & \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Re}\{r_{10}^5\}\sin 2\theta \cos \phi - \\ & r_{1-1}^5 \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi \end{aligned} \right) + \\ & \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \sin \Phi \left(\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Im}\{r_{10}^6\}\sin 2\theta \sin \phi + \\ & \operatorname{Im}\{r_{1-1}^6\}\sin^2 \theta \sin 2\phi \end{aligned} \right) \end{aligned} \right] \\ \\ W_L(\phi, \cos \theta) = \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left[\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{1-\varepsilon^2} \left(\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Im}\{r_{10}^3\}\sin 2\theta \sin \phi + \\ & \operatorname{Im}\{r_{1-1}^3\}\sin^2 \theta \sin 2\phi \end{aligned} \right) + \\ & \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \cos \Phi \left(\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Im}\{r_{10}^7\}\sin 2\theta \sin \phi + \\ & \operatorname{Im}\{r_{1-1}^7\}\sin^2 \theta \sin 2\phi \end{aligned} \right) + \\ & \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \sin \Phi \left(\begin{aligned} & r_{11}^8 \sin^2 \theta + \\ & r_{00}^8 \cos^2 \theta - \\ & \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Re}\{r_{10}^8\}\sin 2\theta \cos \phi - \\ & r_{1-1}^8 \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi \end{aligned} \right) \end{aligned} \right] \\ \end{aligned}$$

2. detector efficiency/acceptance correction

- ❖ in the extraction (UML fit) we normalize to HEPGEN (exclusive ρ_0, ω, ϕ ... MC generator)

$$-\ln L(\mathcal{R}) = - \sum_{i=1}^N \ln \frac{\mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{R}; \Phi_i, \phi_i, \cos \Theta_i)}{\tilde{N}(\mathcal{R})}$$

$$\tilde{N}(\mathcal{R}) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{MC}} \mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{R}; \Phi_j, \phi_j, \cos \Theta_j)$$

$$-\ln L(\mathcal{R}_{sig}) = - \sum_{i=1}^N \ln \left[\frac{(1 - f_{bg}) \mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{R}_{sig}; \Phi_i, \phi_i, \cos \Theta_i)}{\tilde{N}(\mathcal{R}_{sig}, \mathcal{R}_{bg})} + \frac{f_{bg} \mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{R}_{bg}; \Phi_i, \phi_i, \cos \Theta_i)}{\tilde{N}(\mathcal{R}_{sig}, \mathcal{R}_{bg})} \right]$$

$$\tilde{N}(\mathcal{R}_{sig}, \mathcal{R}_{bg}) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{MC}} [(1 - f_{bg}) \mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{R}_{sig}; \Phi_j, \phi_j, \cos \Theta_j) + f_{bg} \mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{R}_{bg}; \Phi_j, \phi_j, \cos \Theta_j)]$$

Selection ρ_0 and ω : 2012 Pilot Run

Common selection: $1 < Q^2 < 10 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$, $W > 5 \text{ GeV/c}^2$, $0.01 < p_T^2 < 0.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$, $0.1 < y < 0.9$
 Recoil proton detector not included in selection

$$\mu + p \rightarrow \mu' + p' + \omega$$

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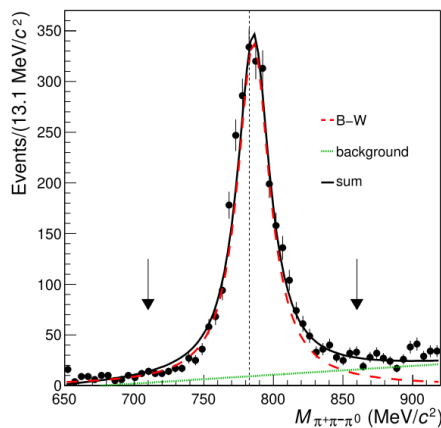
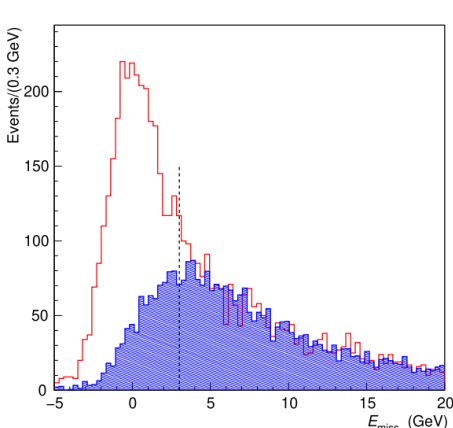
$$\begin{aligned} &\hookrightarrow \pi^+ + \pi^- + \pi^0 \quad \text{Branching ratio} \approx 89 \% \\ &\hookrightarrow \gamma_l + \gamma_h \quad \text{Branching ratio} \approx 99 \% \end{aligned}$$

$$0.1 < M_{\gamma\gamma} < 0.17 \text{ GeV}, 0.71 < M_{\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0} < 0.86 \text{ GeV}$$

topology:

scattered muon + two hadrons with opposite charges
 + two neutral clusters in calorimeters

event yield: **3060 events**



$$|E_{\text{miss}}| < 3 \text{ GeV}$$

$$E_{\text{miss}} = \frac{M_X^2 - M^2}{2M}$$

$$\mu + p \rightarrow \mu' + p' + \rho^0$$

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$$\hookrightarrow \pi^+ + \pi^- \quad \text{Branching ratio} \approx 99 \%$$

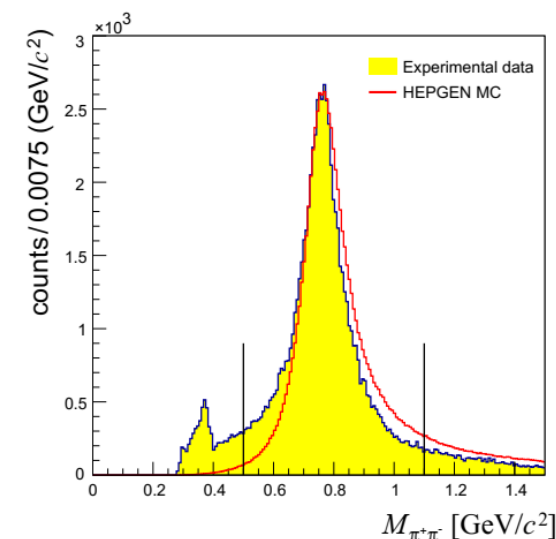
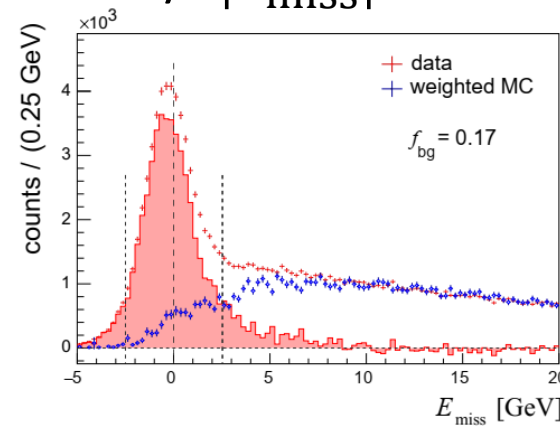
$$0.5 < M_{\pi^+\pi^-} < 1.1 \text{ GeV}$$

topology:

scattered muon + two hadrons with opposite charges

event yield: **52257 events**

$$\text{exclusivity: } |E_{\text{miss}}| < 2.5 \text{ GeV}$$



❖ topology: scattered muon + two hadrons with opposite charges

❖ $1 < Q^2 < 10 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$

❖ $5 < W < 17 \text{ GeV/c}^2$

❖ $0.01 < p_T^2 < 0.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$

❖ $0.1 < y < 0.9$

❖ **Exclusivity:**

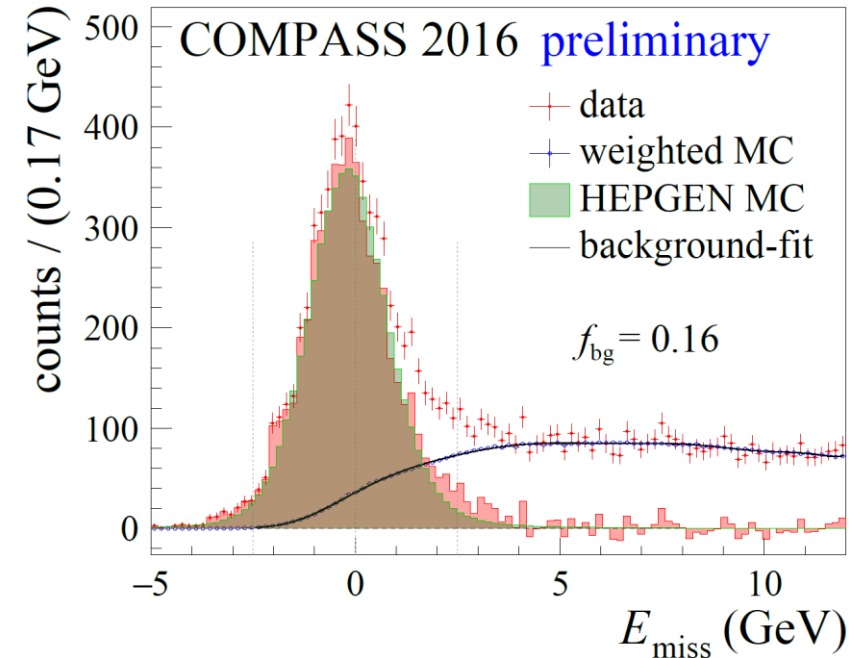
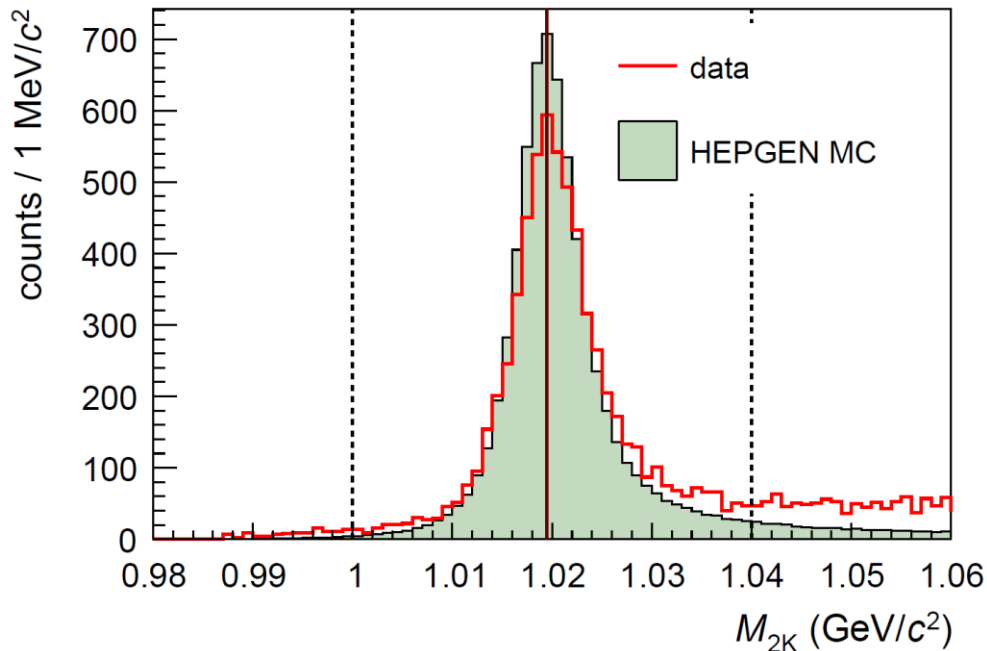
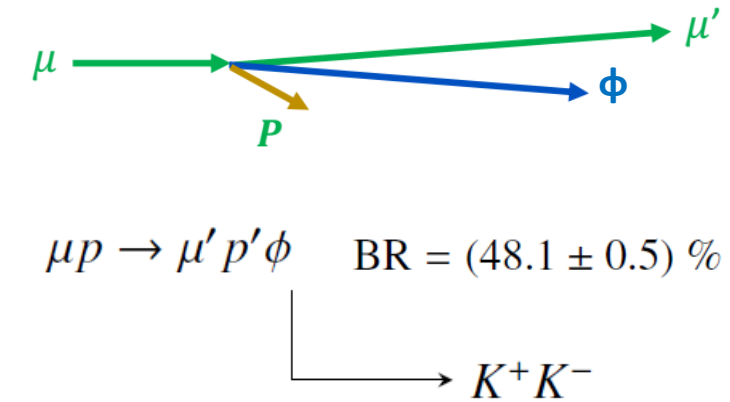
❖ $1.00 < M_{K^+K^-} < 1.04 \text{ GeV}$

❖ $\left| E_{\text{miss}} = \frac{M_X^2 - M^2}{2M} \right| < 2.5 \text{ GeV}$

❖ Recoil proton detector
not included in selection

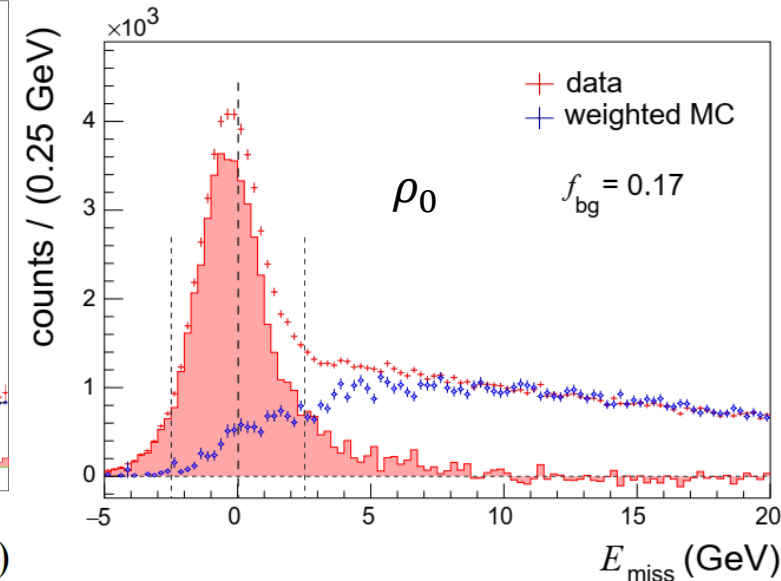
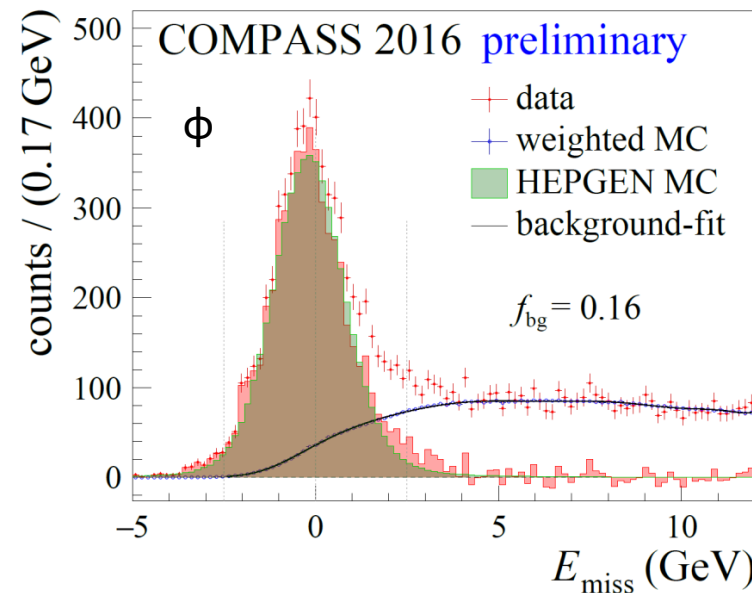
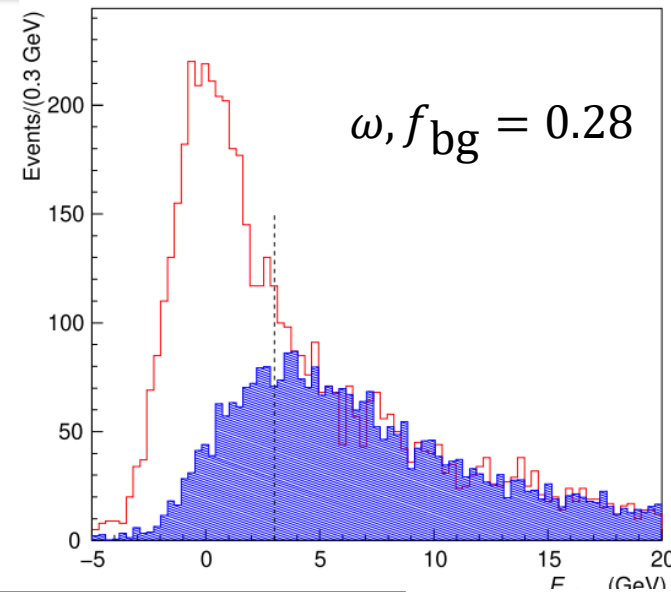
❖ event yield **6406 events**

Exclusive Muoproduction



3. background fraction f_{bg}

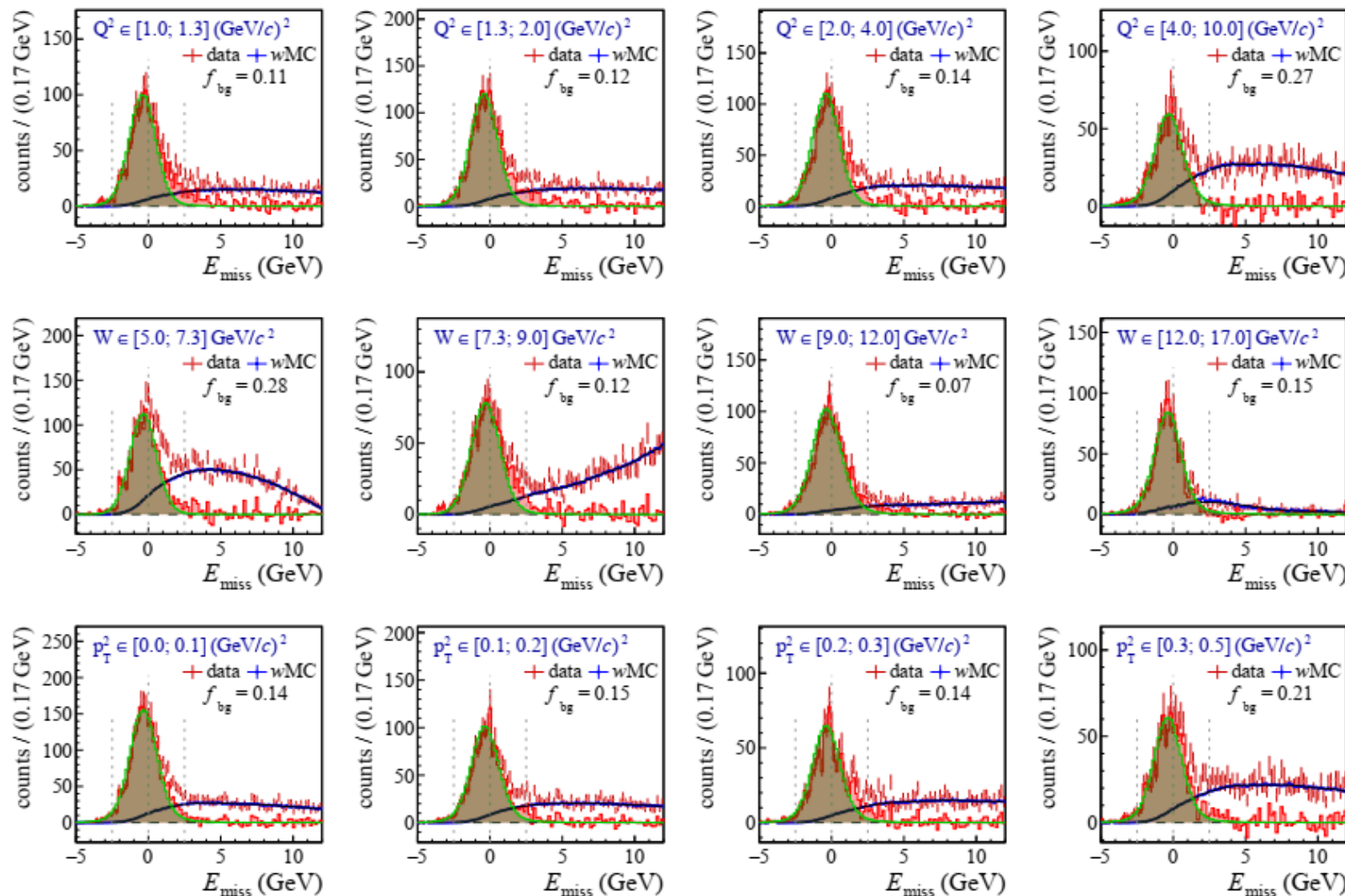
- ❖ original approach: MC (inclusive LEPTO) normalized to data in region $7 < E_{miss} < 20$ GeV (same sign) → background fraction in exclusive region (opposite sign)
- ❖ for 2016 Phi procedure needed adjustments:
 - ❖ opposite sign LEPTO in widened M_{inv} (0.9-1.4 GeV) with LUJET removal of generated $\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$ signal
 - ❖ fit and normalization in $5.0 < E_{miss} < 12.0$ GeV



Background fraction f_{bg} - ϕ bins

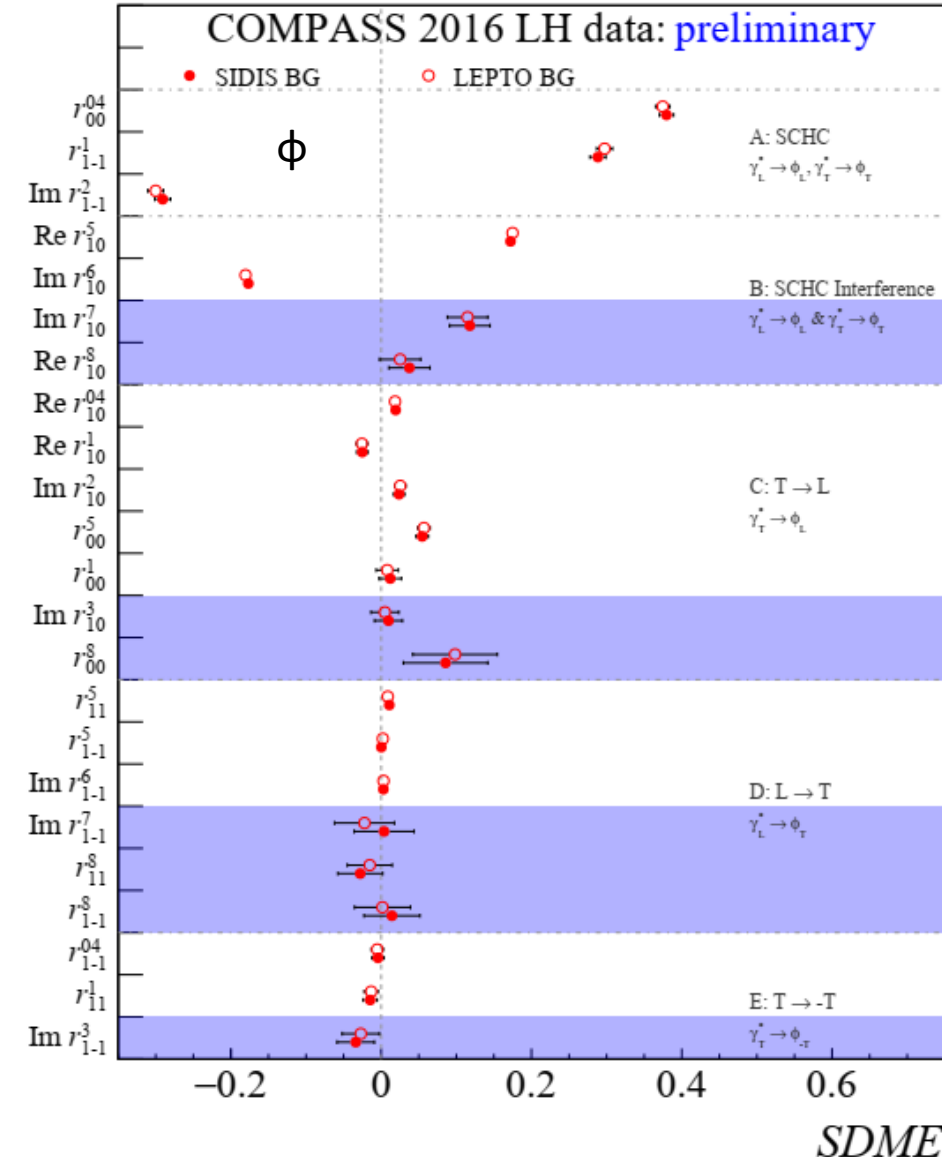
- ❖ in kinematic bins situation complicated, but manageable
- ❖ another approach:
- ~~❖ Recoil proton detector not included in selection~~
- ❖ can reach background-free selection
- ❖ ~70% statistics (80% of signal)
- ❖ work in progress

COMPASS 2016 data: preliminary



4. background angular distribution/SDMEs

- ❖ originally (2012 omega and rho-0) simulated by LEPTO
 - ❖ UML fit to LEPTO to obtain background SDMEs
- ❖ thorough tests for 2016 phi resulted in new method:
 - ❖ data-driven SIDIS side-band, $3 < E_{\text{miss}} < 6$ GeV and $0.9 < M_{\text{inv}} < 1.4$ GeV
 - ❖ comparison to LEPTO method -> syst. uncertainty



Exclusive ρ_0 and ω SDMEs Results

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Kinematic range:

$$1 < Q^2 < 10 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$$

$$5 < W < 17 \text{ GeV/c}^2$$

$$0.01 < p_T^2 < 0.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$$

SDME classes (A–E):

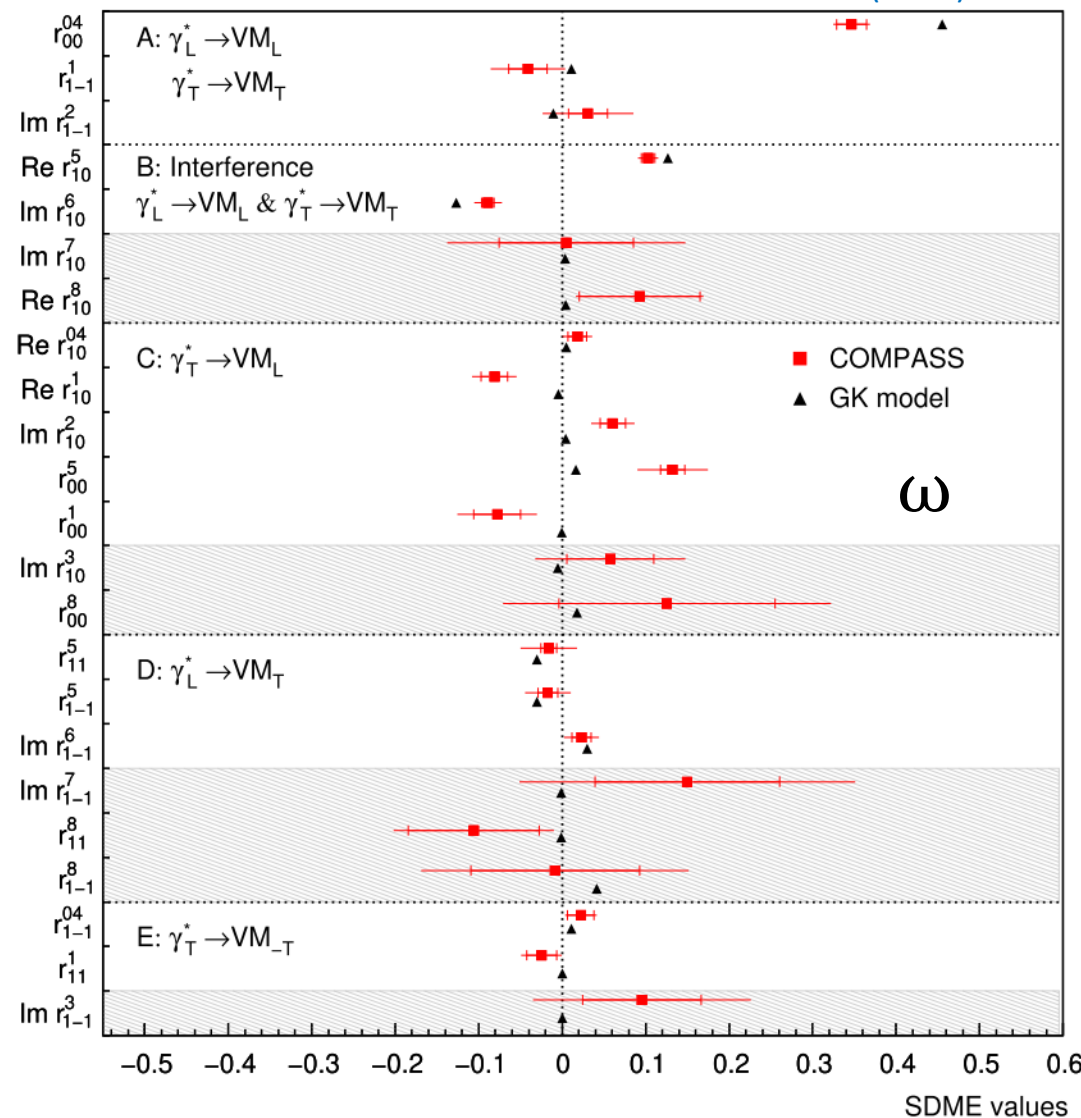
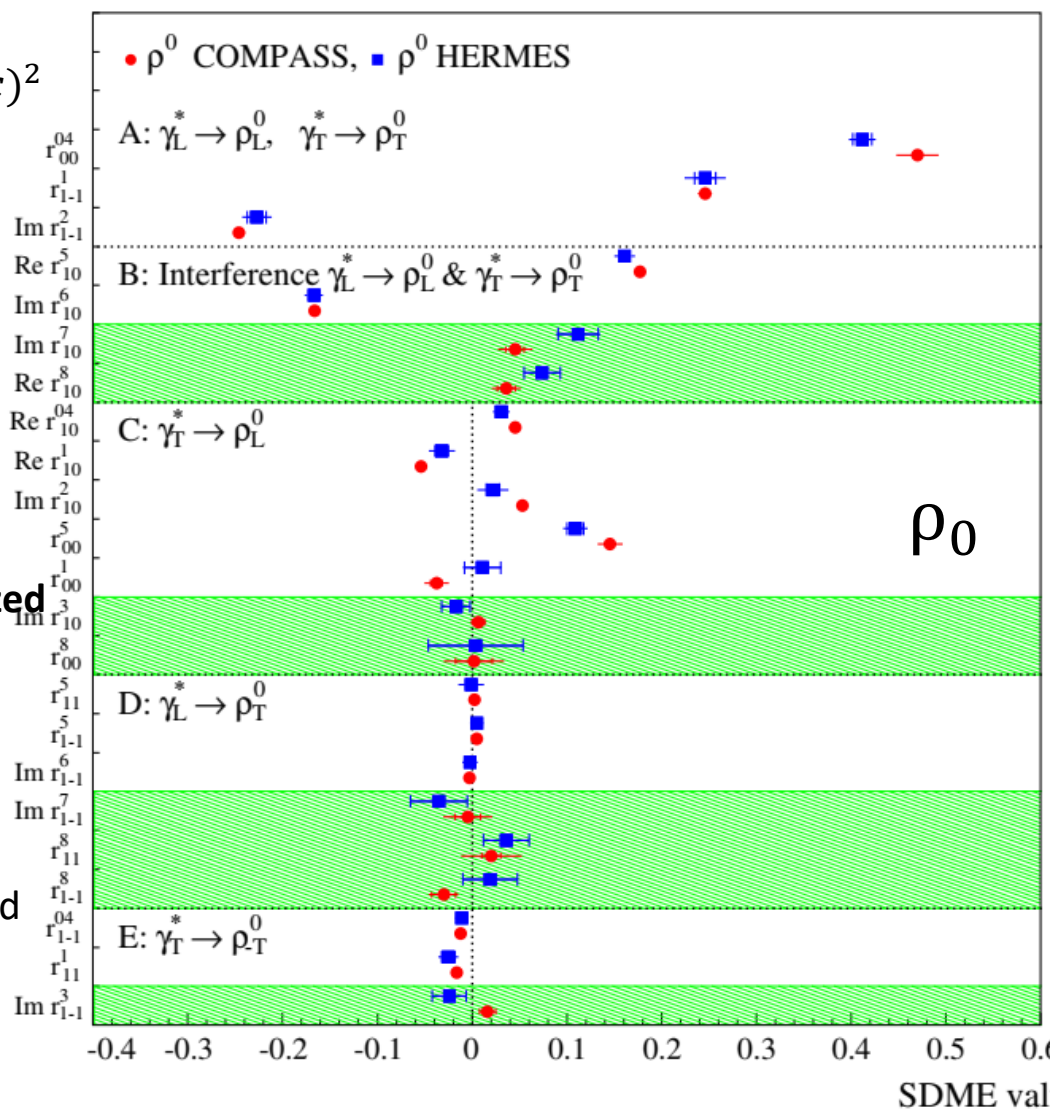
Different helicity
transitions
($\gamma, N \rightarrow V, N'$)

Shaded areas = **polarized**
SDMEs

GK model

(Goloskokov & Kroll,
EPJA 50 (2014) 146)

Parameters constrained
mainly
by HERMES ρ^0 , ω
data



Exclusive ϕ Meson SDMEs

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❖ Kinematic range:

$$1 < Q^2 < 10$$

$$(\text{GeV}/c)^2$$

$$5 < W < 17$$

$$\text{GeV}/c^2$$

$$0.01 < p_T^2 < 0.5$$

$$(\text{GeV}/c)^2$$

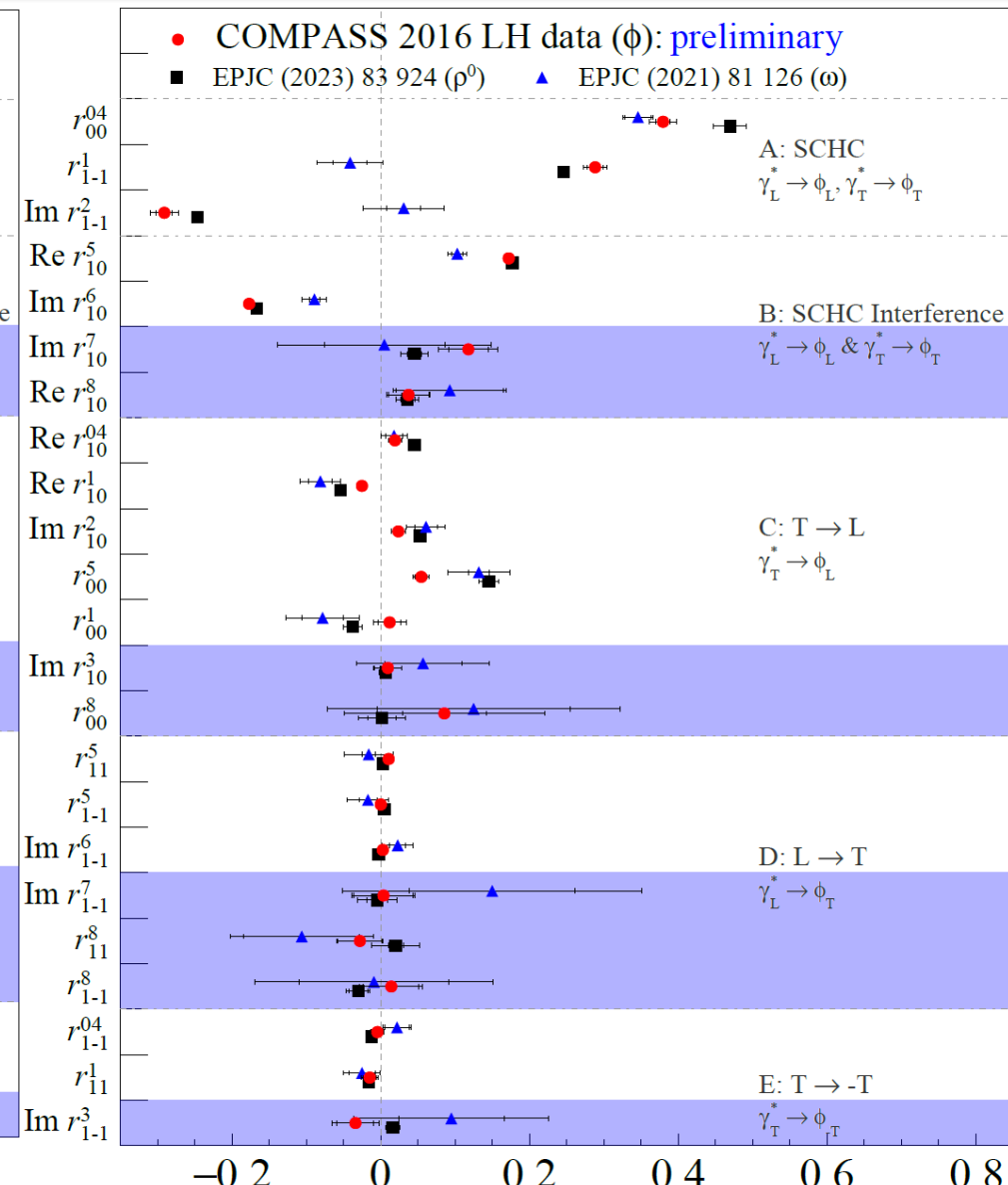
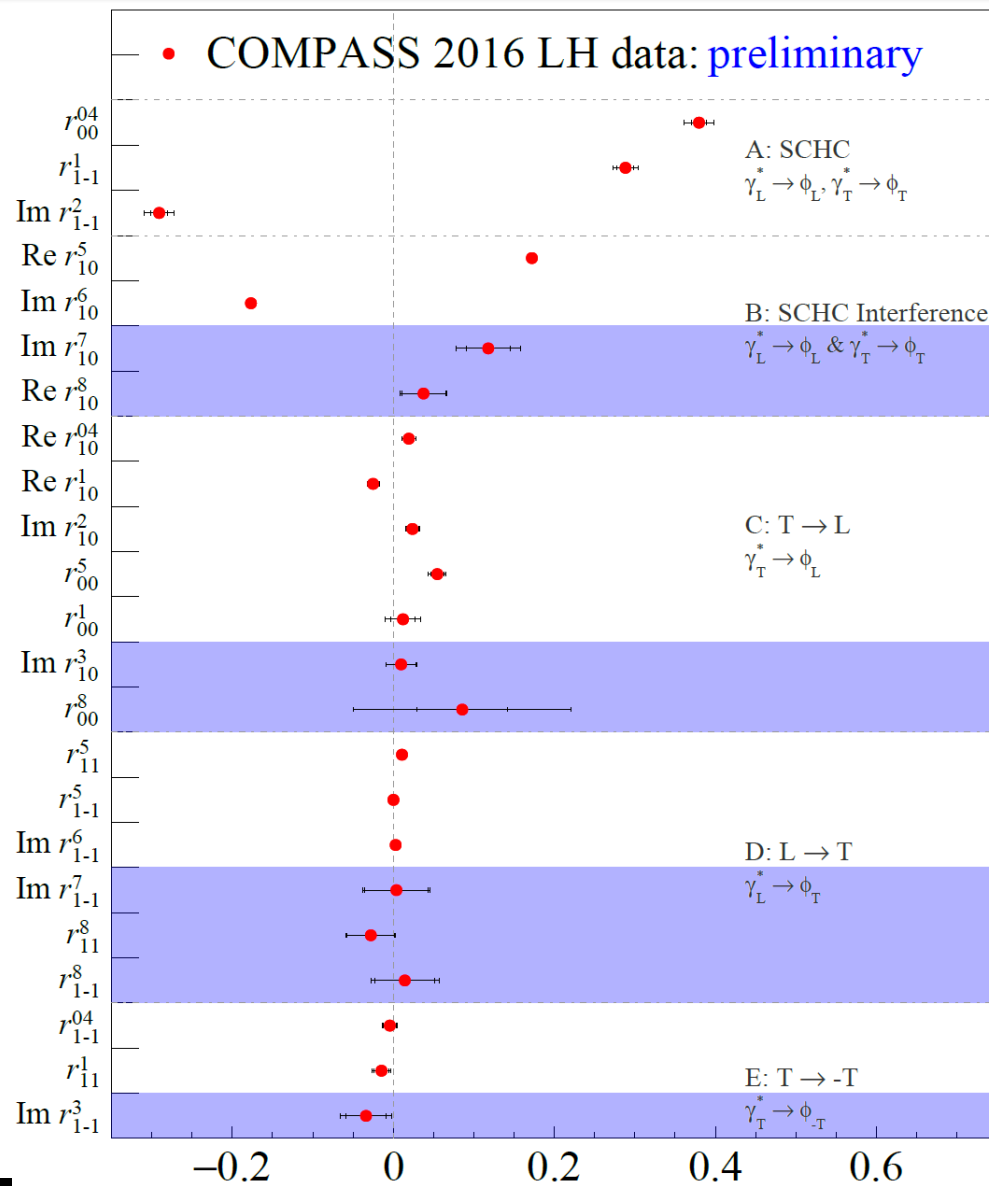
❖ SDME classes (A–E):

Different helicity

transitions

$$(\gamma, N \rightarrow V, N')$$

❖ Blue shaded areas = polarized SDMEs



Results: SCHC ρ_0 and ω

❖ SCHC implies: $r_{1-1}^1 + \text{Im } r_{1-1}^2 = 0$ **OK**

$\text{Re } r_{10}^5 + \text{Im } r_{10}^6 = 0$ **OK**

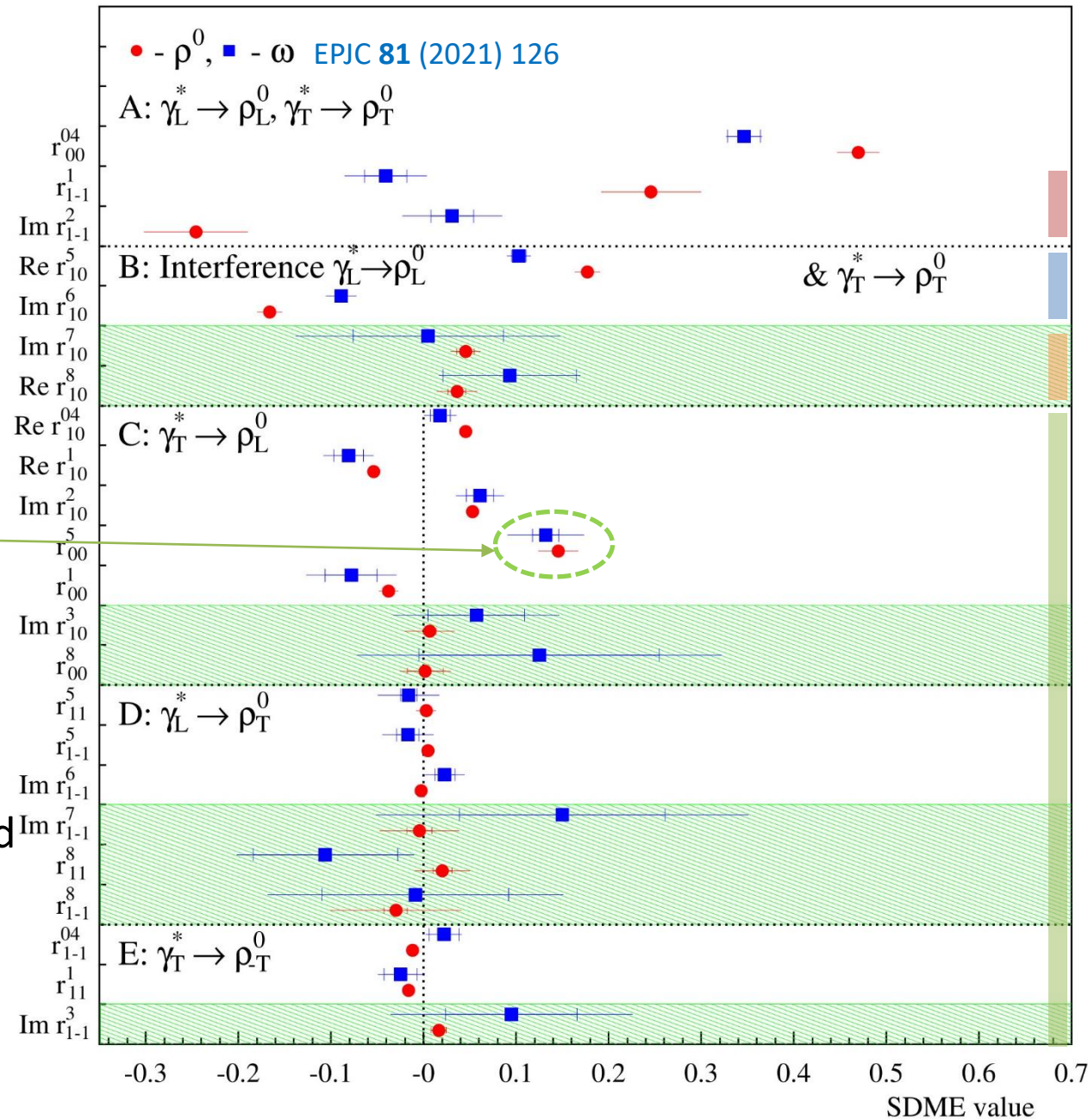
$\text{Im } r_{10}^7 + \text{Re } r_{10}^8 = 0$ **OK**

all elements of classes C, D, E should be 0

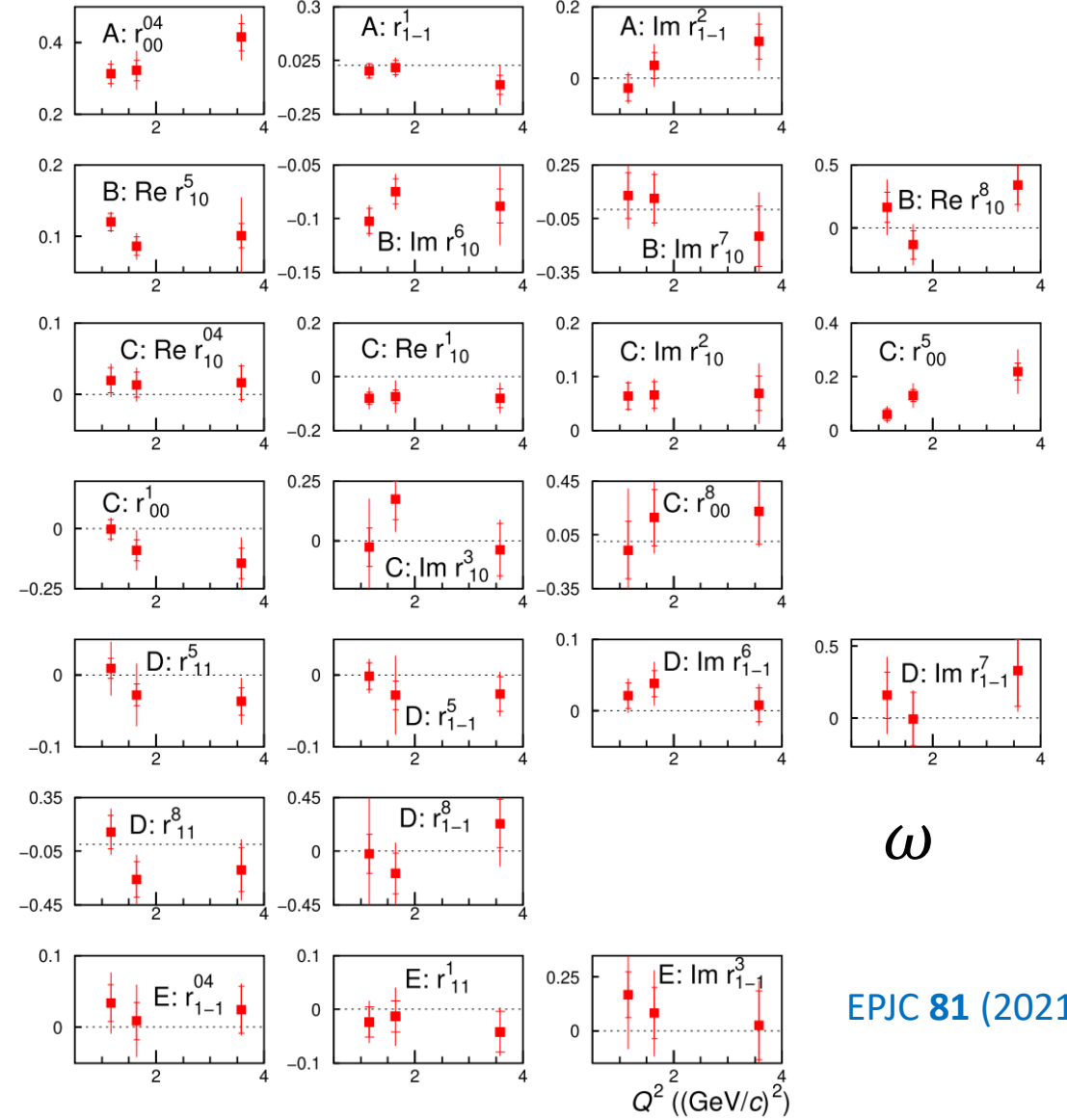
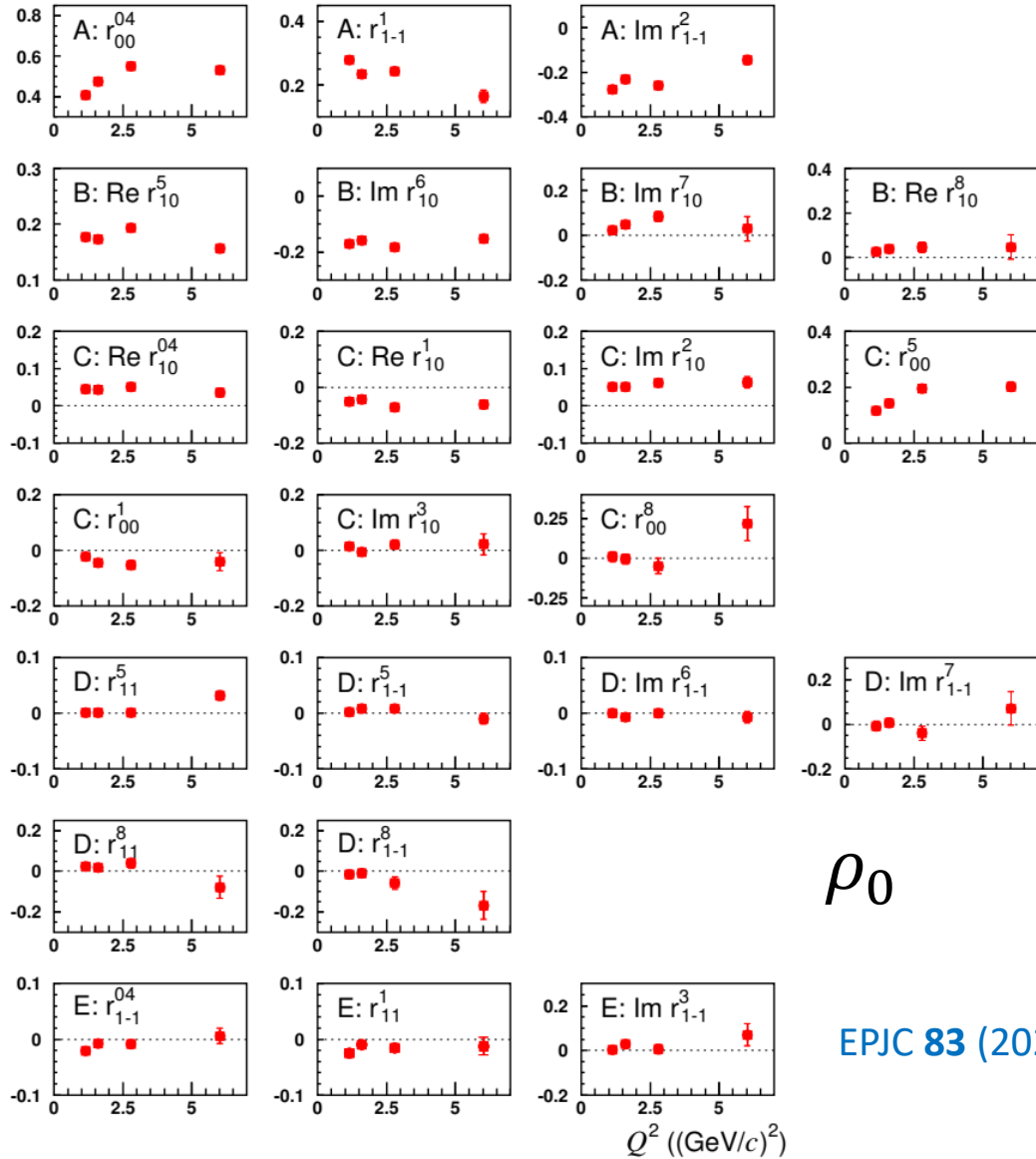
- ❖ **SCHC violation in class C** – transition $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_L$
- ❖ possible GPD interpretation **Goloskokov and Kroll, EPJC 74 (2014) 2725:**
- ❖ contribution of amplitudes depending on chiral-odd (transversity) GPDs $H_T, \bar{E}_T = 2\tilde{H}_T + E_T$

$$r_{00}^5 \sim \text{Re} \left[\langle \bar{E}_T \rangle_{LT}^* \langle H \rangle_{LL} + \frac{1}{2} \langle H_T \rangle_{LT}^* \langle E \rangle_{LL} \right]$$

- ❖ first term dominates, r_{00}^5 essentially probes $\bar{E}_T$



SDMEs dependences



Results: SCHC ϕ

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OK

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OK

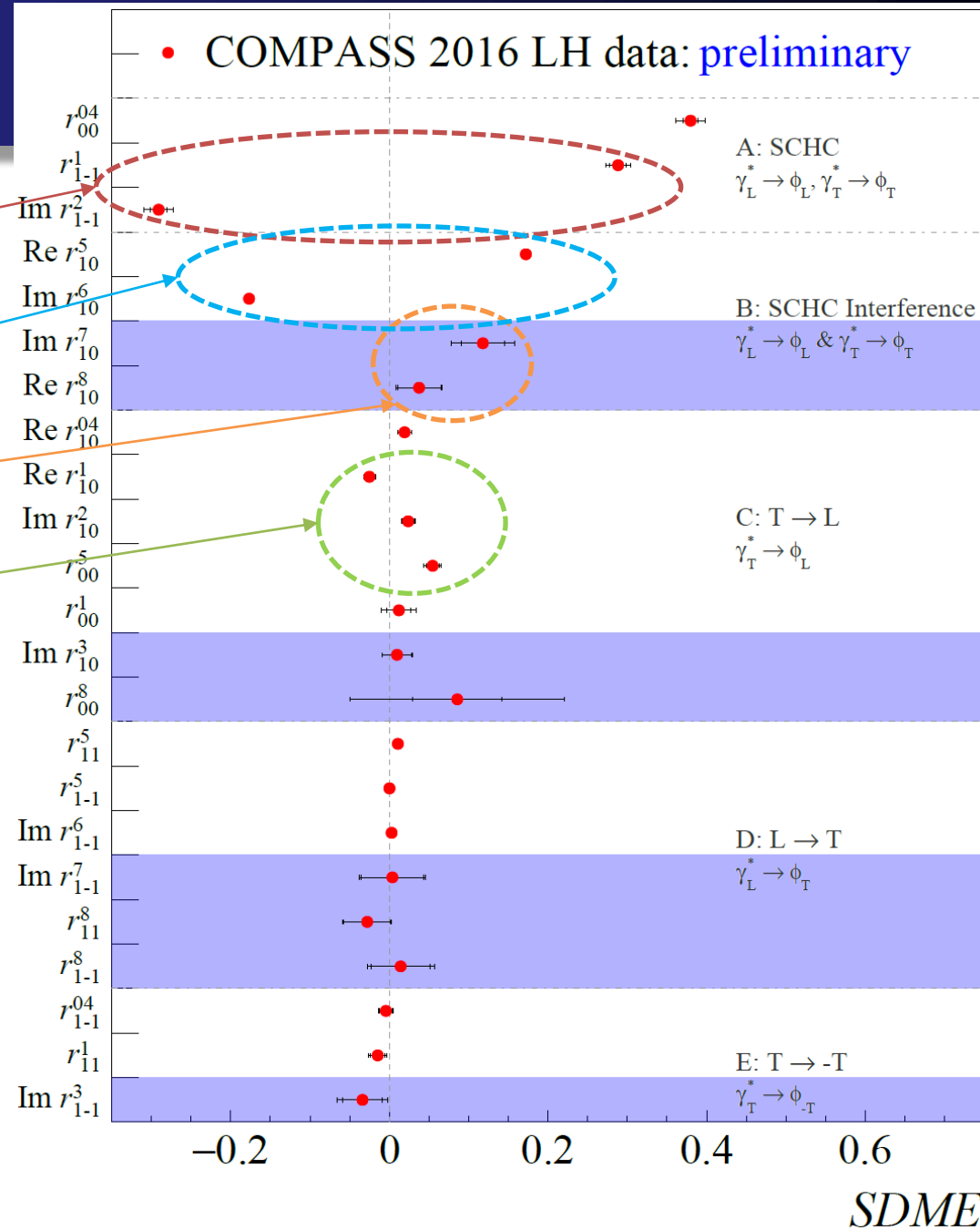
$$\text{Im } r_{10}^7 - \text{Re } r_{10}^8 = 0$$

small
tension

all elements of classes C, D, E should be 0

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Results – Helicity-Flip NPE Amplitudes ρ^0

❖ described as $\tau_{ij} = \frac{|T_{ij}|}{\mathcal{N}}$

$$\tau_{01} \approx \sqrt{\epsilon} \frac{\sqrt{(r_{00}^5)^2 + (r_{00}^8)^2}}{\sqrt{2r_{00}^{04}}}$$

$$\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_L$$

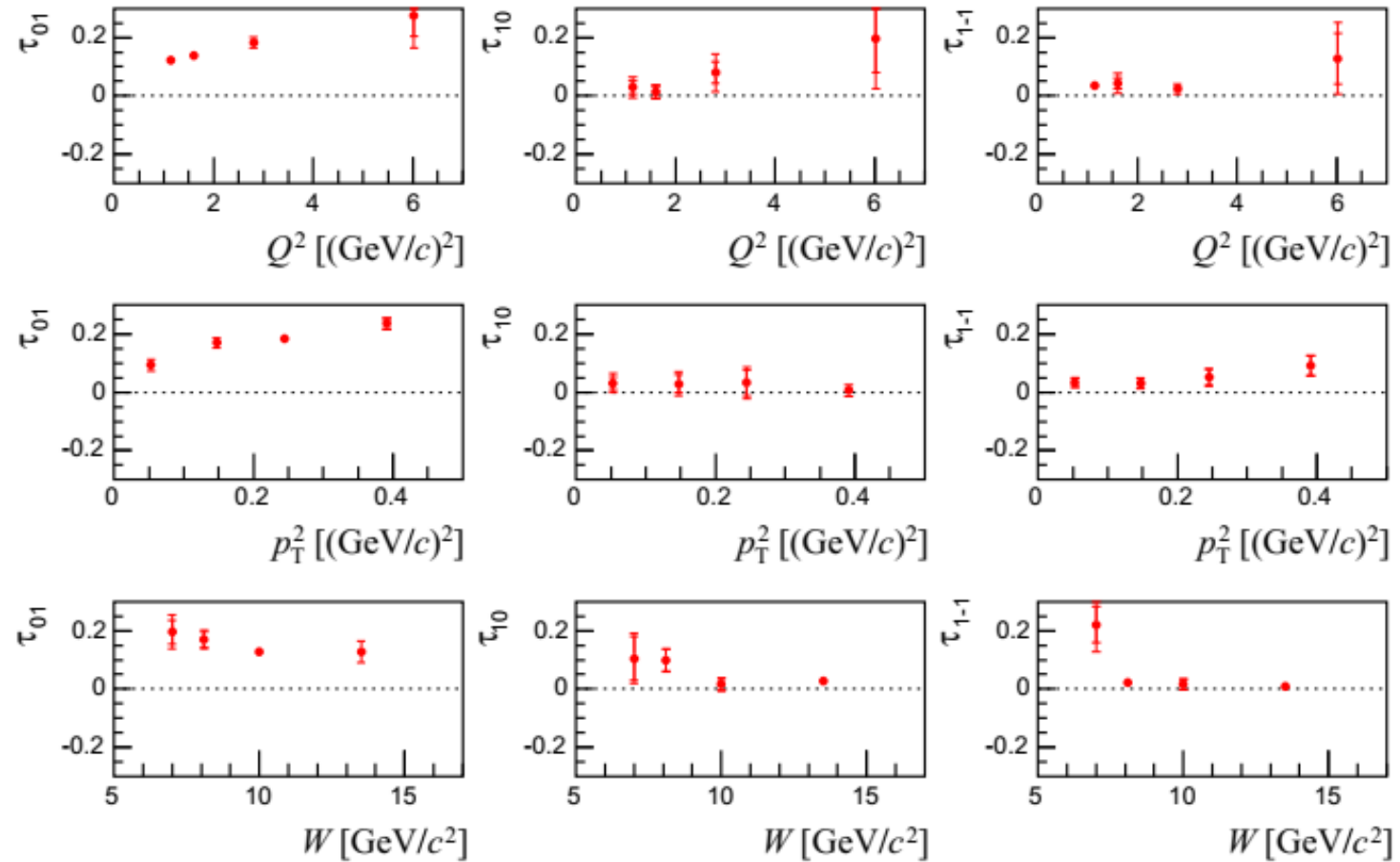
$$\tau_{10} = \frac{\sqrt{(r_{11}^5 + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^6\})^2 + (\text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^7\} - r_{11}^8)^2}}{\sqrt{2(r_{1-1}^1 - \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^2\})}}$$

$$\gamma_L^* \rightarrow V_T$$

$$\tau_{1-1} = \frac{\sqrt{(r_{11}^1)^2 + (\text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^3\})^2}}{\sqrt{r_{1-1}^1 - \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^2\}}}$$

$$\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_{-T}$$

❖ only τ_{01} significantly differs from 0, consistent with SCHC violation in class C



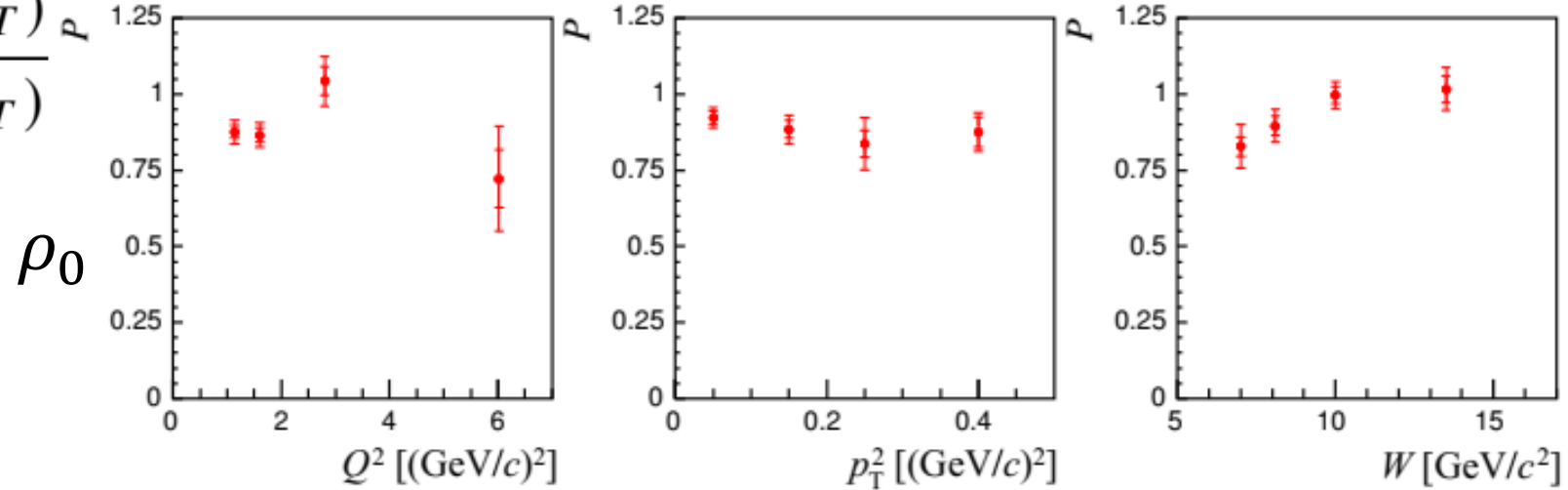
Results – NPE to UPE Asymmetry

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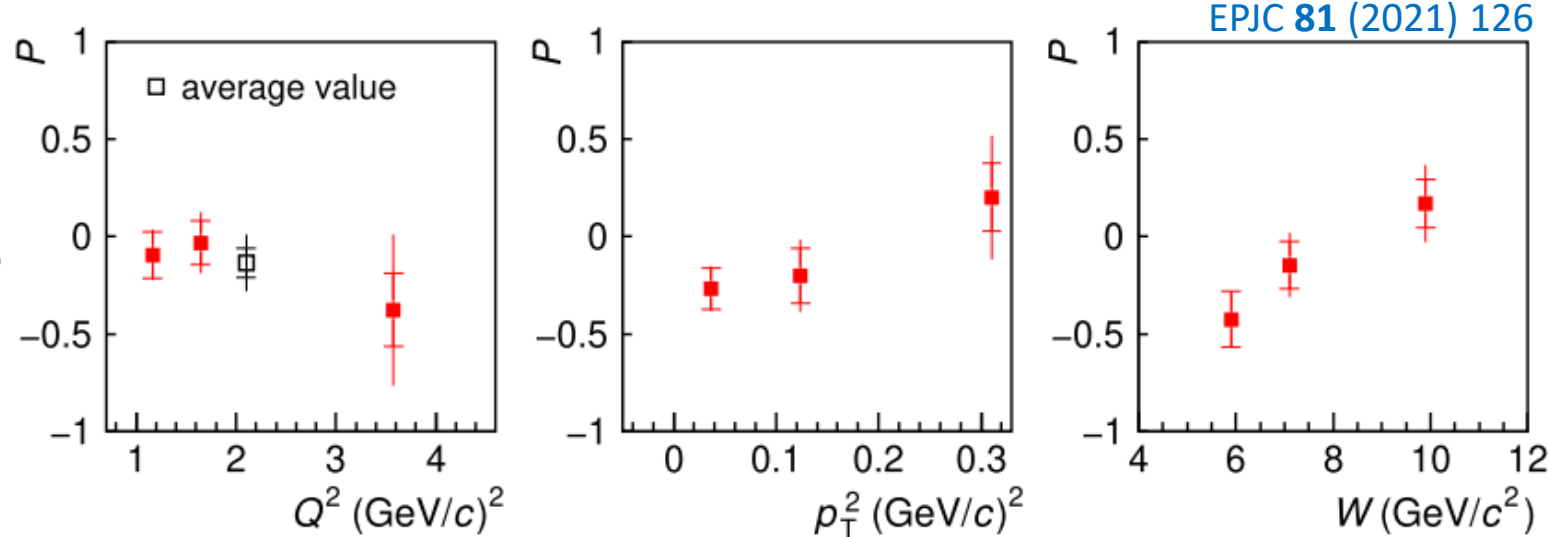
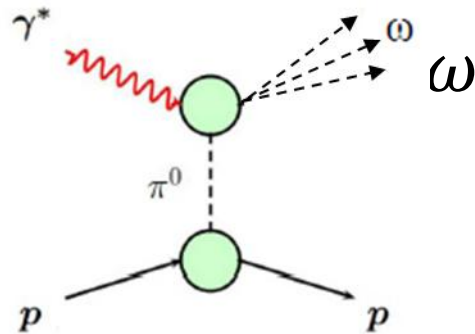
$$P = \frac{d\sigma_T^N(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T) - d\sigma_T^U(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T)}{d\sigma_T^N(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T) + d\sigma_T^U(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T)}$$

$$= \frac{2r_{1-1}^1}{1 - r_{00}^{04} - 2r_{1-1}^{04}}$$

- ❖ **ρ_0 NPE dominance**
NPE $\rightarrow$ GPDs E, H



- ❖ **ω NPE $\approx$ UPE on average**
UPE dominance at small W and p_T^2
 $\rightarrow$ GPDs $\tilde{E}, \tilde{H}$
+ pion pole (dominant)



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Results: Unnatural Parity Exchange Contribution

$$u_1 = 1 - r_{00}^{04} + 2r_{1-1}^{04} - 2r_{11}^1 - 2r_{1-1}^1$$

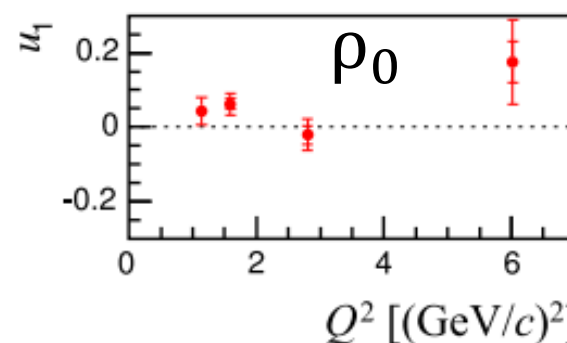
$$u_1 = \sum \frac{4\epsilon|U_{10}|^2 + 2|U_{11} + U_{-11}|^2}{\mathcal{N}}$$

$$\tau_{\text{UPE}}^2 = (2\epsilon|U_{10}|^2 + |U_{01}|^2 + |U_{1-1}|^2 + |U_{11}|^2)/\mathcal{N} \approx u_1/2$$

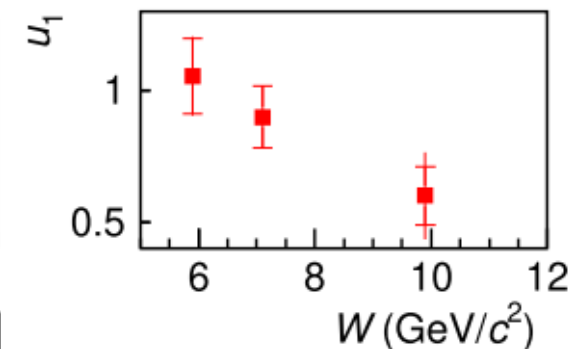
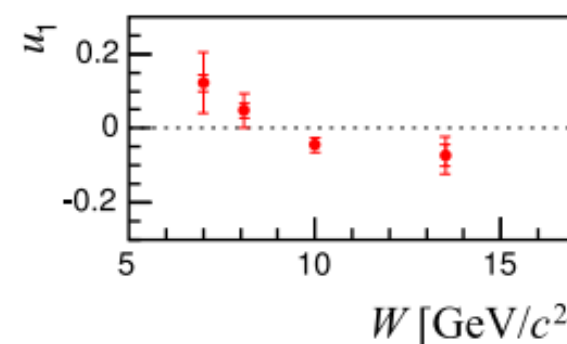
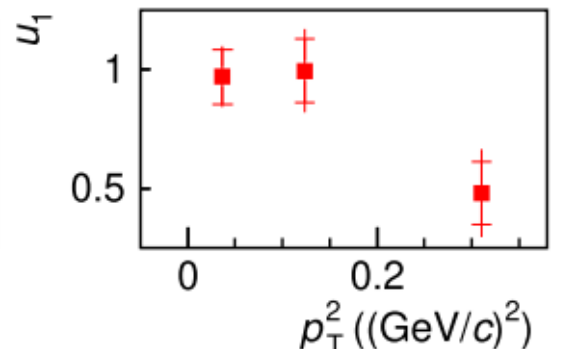
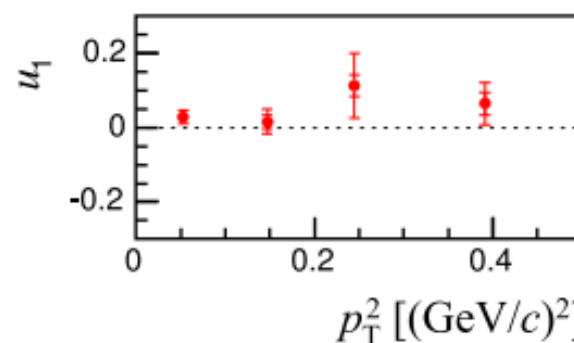
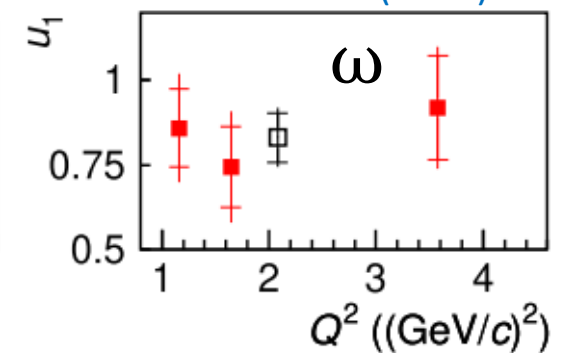
- ❖ numerator in u_1 depends only on UPE amplitudes $\rightarrow u_1 > 0$
- ❖ **ρ^0 very small UPE** contribution observed
 - ❖ τ_{UPE}^2 0.03 averaged (UPE fractional contribution)
- ❖ **ω large UPE** contribution decreasing with increasing W in u_1
 - ❖ $\tau_{\text{UPE}}^2 = 0.5 \rightarrow 0.3$
- ❖ u_2 and u_3 consistent with zero

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 $u_3 = r_{11}^8 + r_{1-1}^8$

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UPE Contribution ϕ

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$$❖ P = \mathbf{0.917 \pm 0.039 (stat.) \pm 0.045(syst.)}$$

❖ ϕ : **NPE dominance** $\Rightarrow$ sensitivity to GPDs E, H , but not $\tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$

Summary and outlook

❖ Measured SDMEs in exclusive ω , ρ_0 , ϕ production

- ❖ **SCHC violation** in $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_L \rightarrow$ sensitivity to chiral-odd GPDs $\bar{E}_T, H_T$
- ❖ **NPE dominance in ρ_0 and ϕ** $\rightarrow$ sensitivity to chiral-even GPDs
- ❖ **Large UPE in ω** $\rightarrow$ pion pole contribution

❖ Outlook:

- ❖ More from 2016/17 unpolarized LH₂ target data: ϕ , ω , ρ_0 (SDMEs & cross-section)
- ❖ $\rightarrow$ Analysis ongoing — **stay tuned from COMPASS!**

Thank you for your attention

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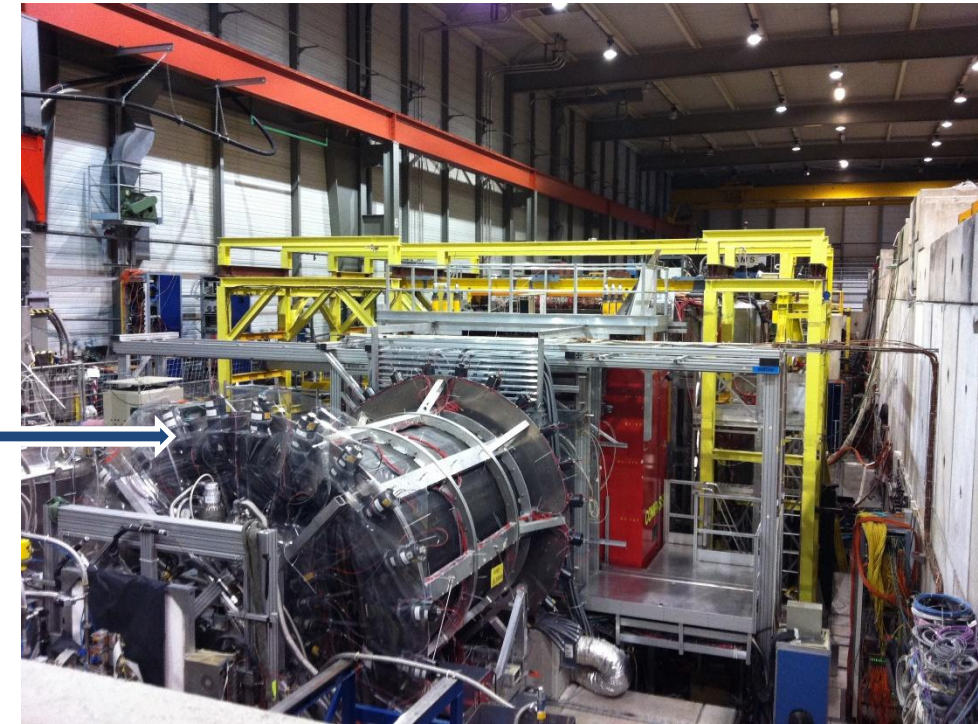
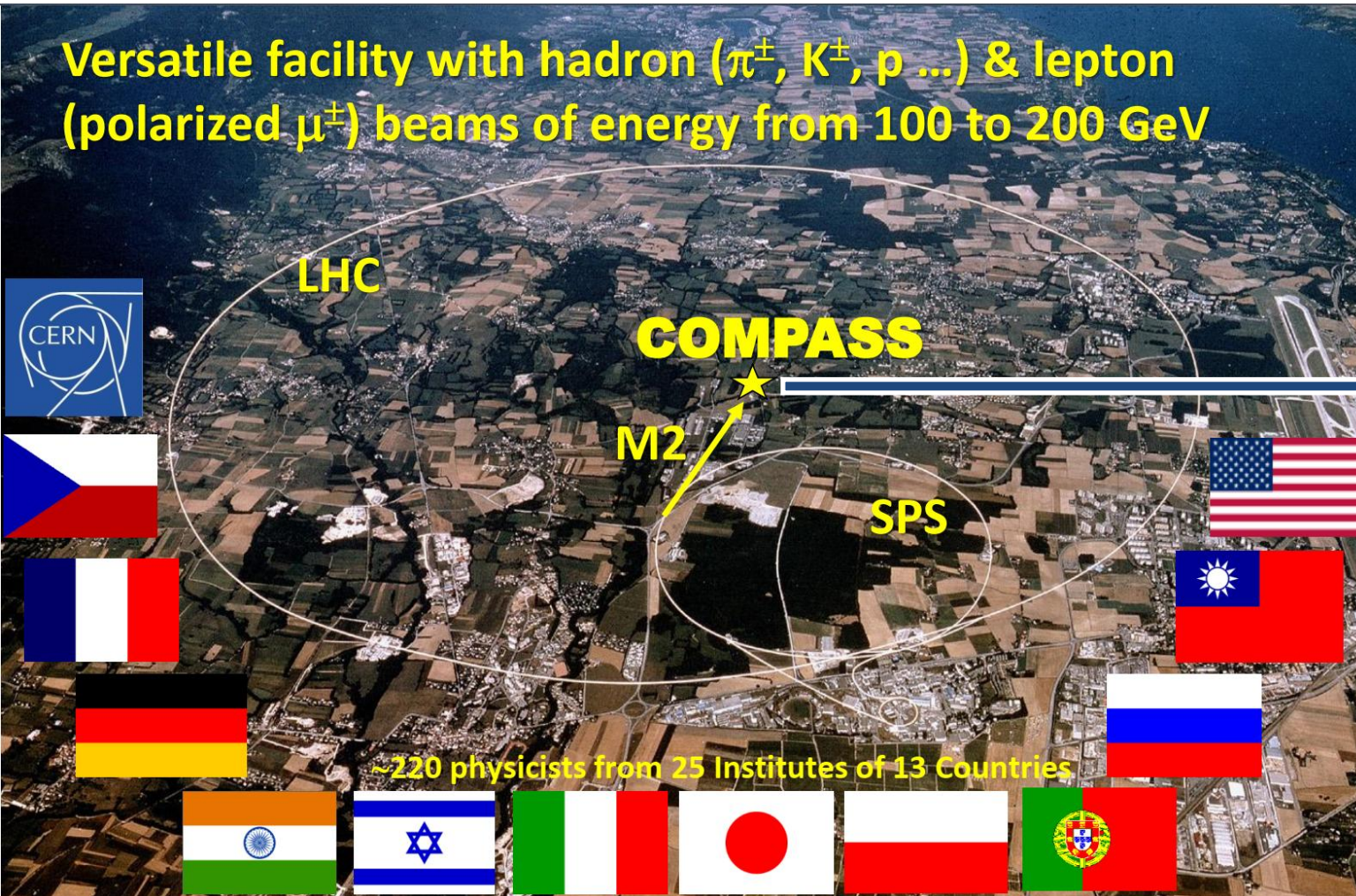
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COMPASS Experiment

COmmon **M**uon **P**roton **A**pparatus for **S**tructure and **S**pectroscopy

Versatile facility with hadron ($\pi^\pm$, $K^\pm$, p ...) & lepton (polarized $\mu^\pm$) beams of energy from 100 to 200 GeV



data taking 2002 – 2022 &
longitudinally, transversely or
unpolarized targets

Vector Mesons and GPDs

- ❖ **access to helicity amplitudes F allows:**
 - ❖ Test of **s-channel helicity conservation (SCHC)** ($\lambda_{\gamma^*} = \lambda_V$)
 - ❖ **Natural vs. Unnatural Parity Exchange (NPE/UPE)** in Regge framework
 - ❖ NPE: $J^P = (0^+, 1^-, \dots) \rightarrow$ pomeron, ρ , ω , $a_2 \dots$
 - ❖ UPE: $J^P = (0^-, 1^+, \dots) \rightarrow \pi$, $a_1 \dots$
 - ❖ Quantify **helicity-flip transitions** $F_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N} = T_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N} + U_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N}$
 - ❖ Determine σ_L/σ_T ratio
 - ❖ Probe **GPD models** $\rightarrow$ e.g. SCHC violation ($\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_L$) tests sensitivity to **transversity GPDs** (not accessible in DVCS)
- ❖ **GPDs in HEMP:**
 - ❖ 4 chiral-even and 4 chiral-odd/transversity (not in DVCS)
 - ❖ universality of GPDs, quark flavor filter, insights into reaction mechanism

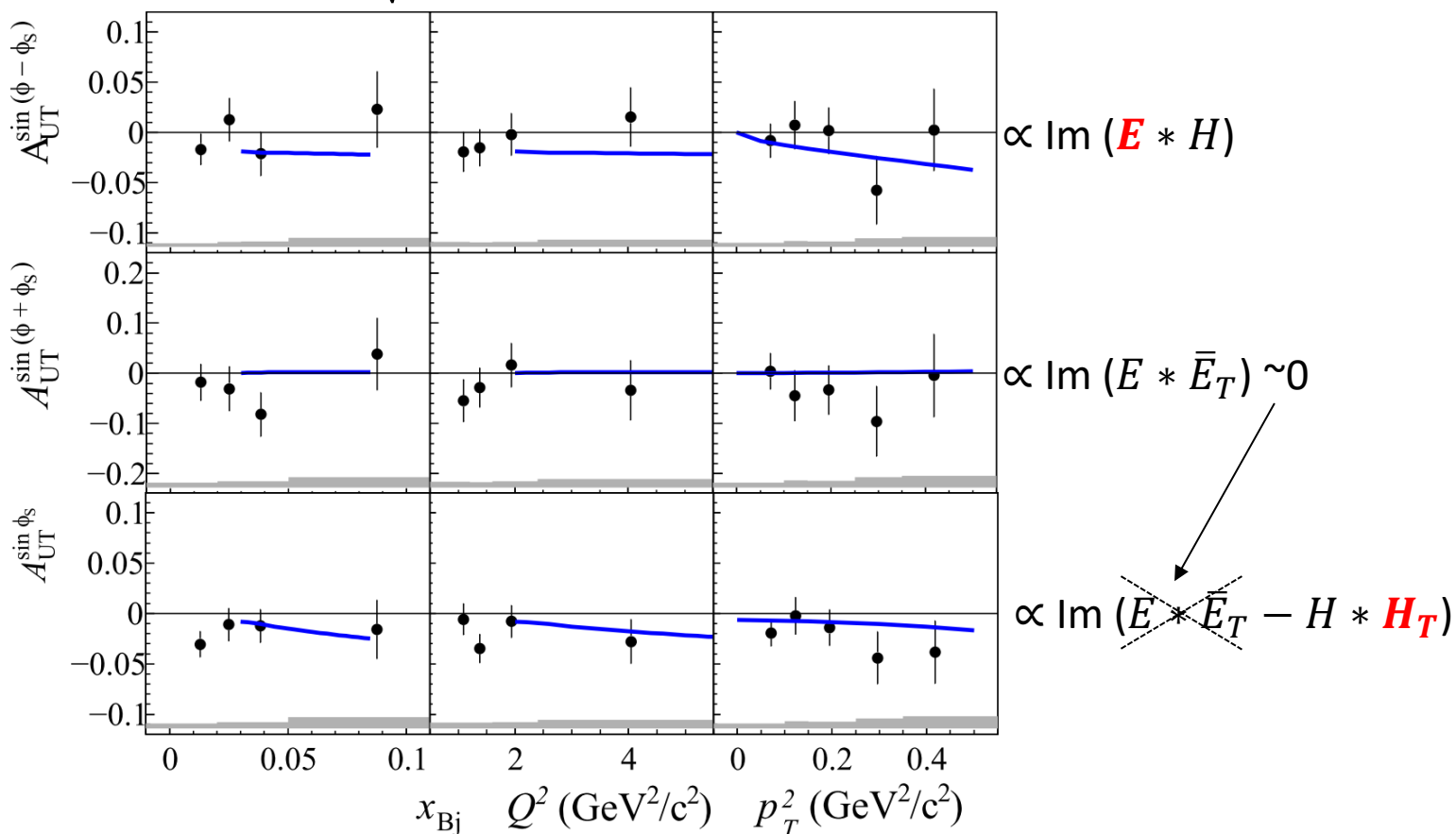
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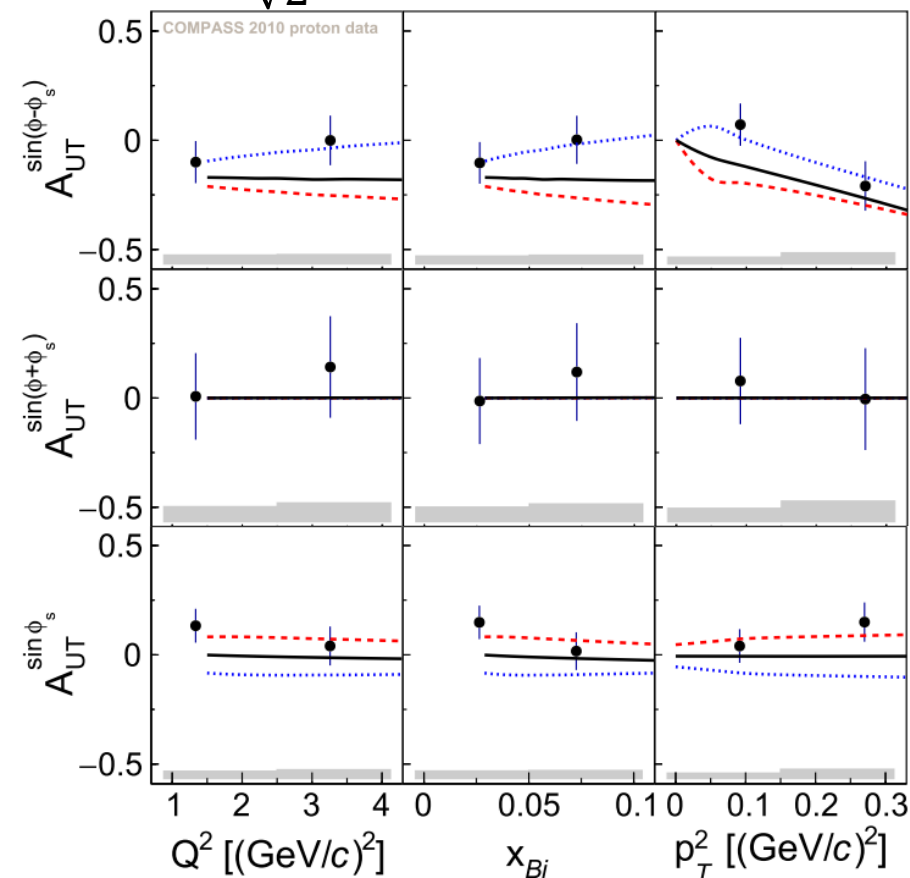
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ρ_0 and ω Asymmetries with T Polarized Target

$$\rho_0 \quad E_{\rho_0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{2}{3} E^u + \frac{1}{3} E^d + \frac{3}{4} E^g/x \right)$$



$$\omega \quad E_{\omega} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{2}{3} E^u - \frac{1}{3} E^d + \frac{1}{4} E^g/x \right)$$



— No pion pole

..... Negative $\pi\omega$ form factor

- - - Positive $\pi\omega$ form factor

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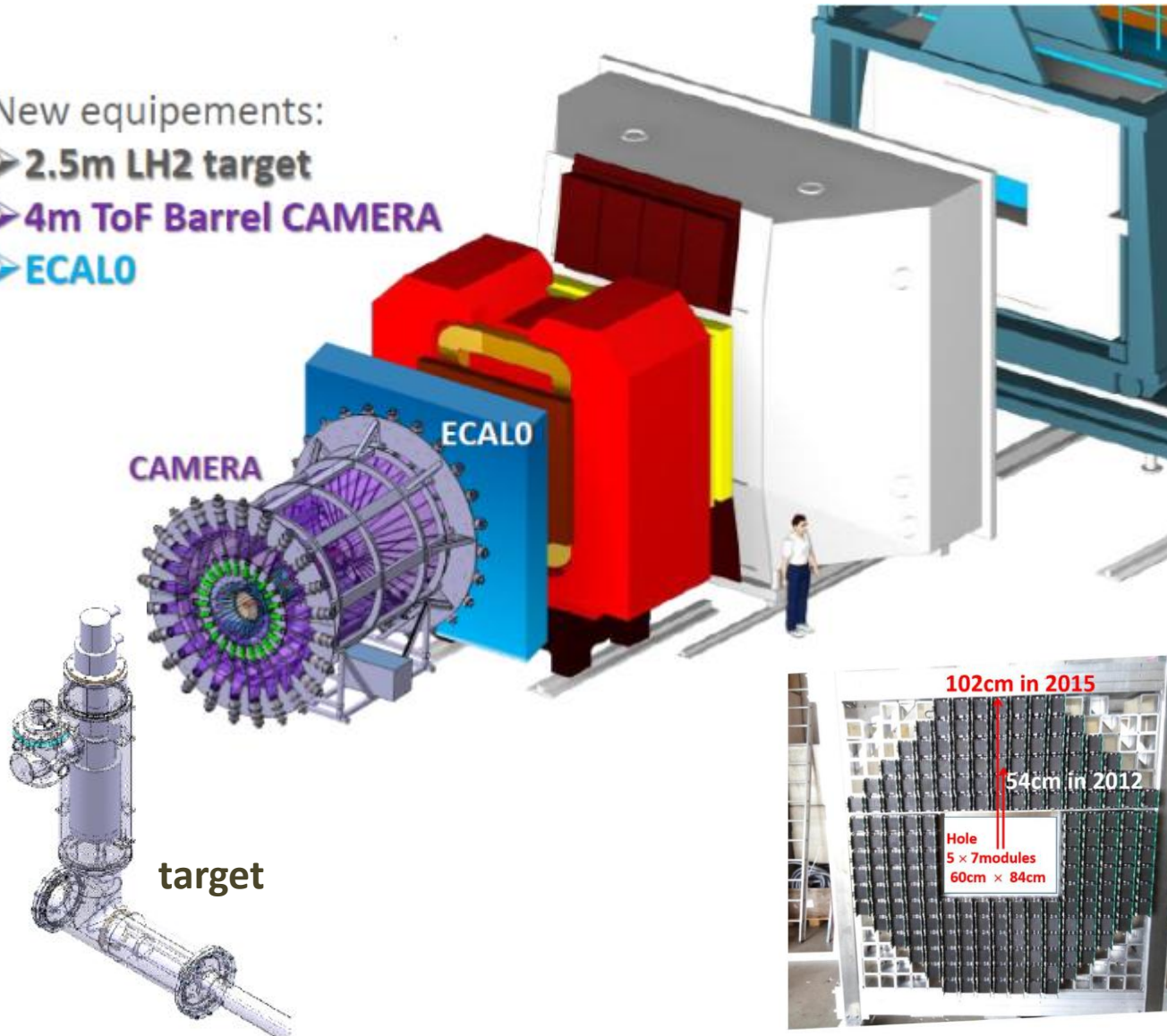
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Sensibility to $\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{H}_T$

Key parts of setup

New equipments:

- 2.5m LH2 target
- 4m ToF Barrel CAMERA
- ECAL0

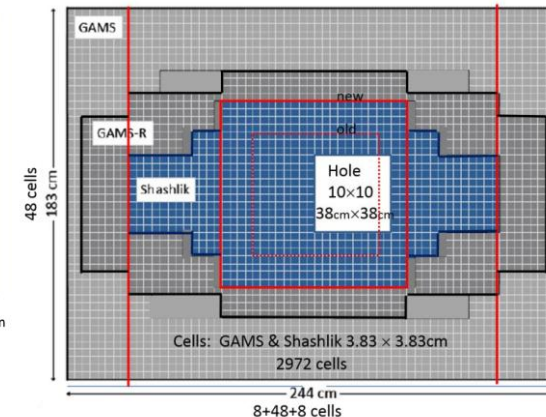
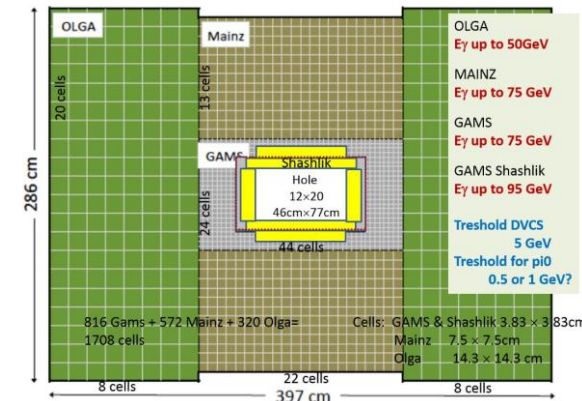
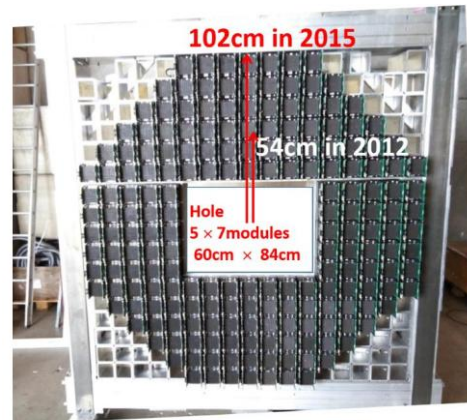


❖ Target ToF system (CAMERA)

- ❖ 24 inner and 24 outer scintillators
- ❖ 1 GHz readout and 310ps ToF resolution

❖ Particle ID:

- ❖ Ring Imaging Cherenkov (RICH) detector
- ❖ EM calorimeters (ECAL0 0-40 mrad, ECAL1 40-150 mrad, ECAL2 150-300 mrad)
- ❖ Hadronic calorimeters (HCAL1, HCAL2)
- ❖ 2 muon walls



Selection π_0

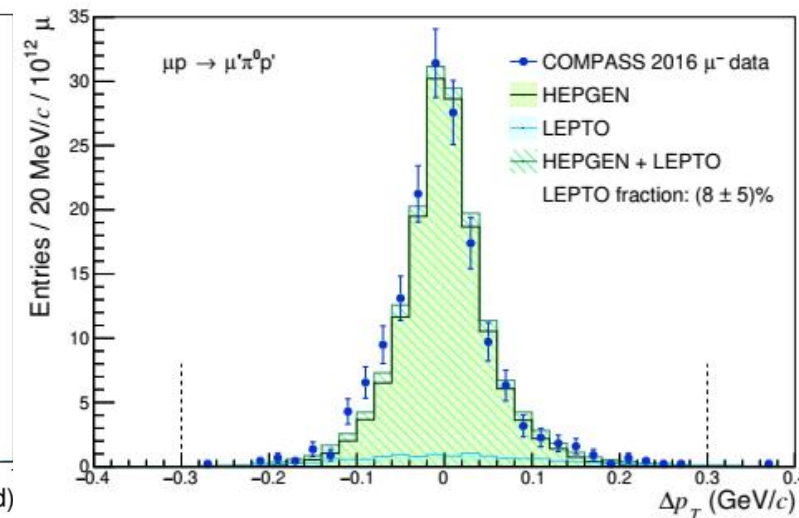
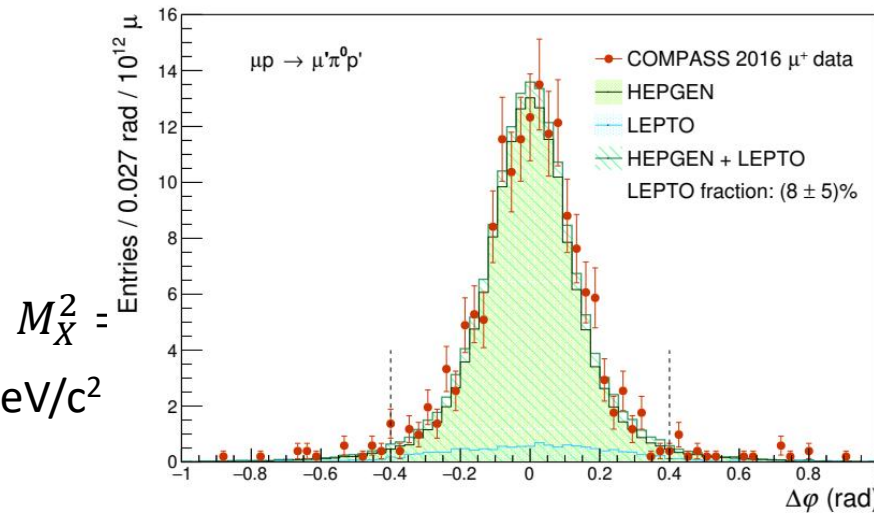
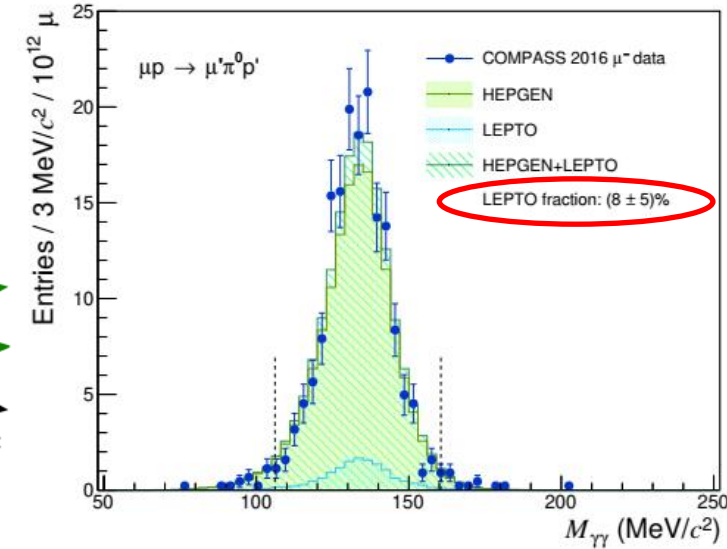
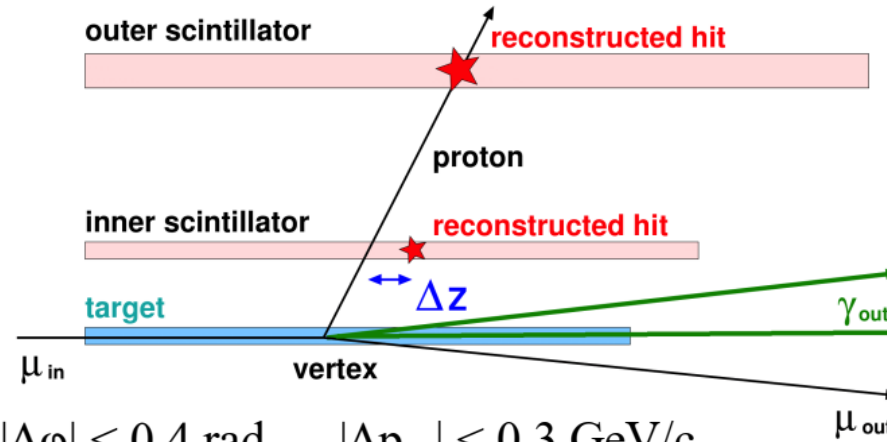
2016 run

- ❖ topology: scattered muon + two neutral clusters in calorimeters + recoil proton candidate
- ❖ $\mu + p \rightarrow \mu' + p' + \pi^0$
- ❖ $1 < Q^2 < 8 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$
- ❖ $0.08 < |t| < 0.64 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$
- ❖ transverse momentum constraint:

$$|\Delta\varphi| < 0.4 \text{ rad} \quad |\Delta p_T| < 0.3 \text{ GeV/c}$$

$$|\Delta Z_A| < 16 \text{ cm} \quad |M_X^2| < 0.3 \text{ (GeV/c}^2)^2$$
- ❖ $\Delta\varphi = \varphi_{spect}^p - \varphi_{recoil}^p$
- ❖ z-coordinate of inner RPD ring:
- ❖ energy-momentum conservation:

$$M_X^2 =$$
- ❖ invariant mass $M_{\gamma\gamma}$ (106.1, 160.5) MeV/c²
- ❖ kinematic fit



exclusive π_0 HEMP cross-section

❖ μp cross-section reduced to $\gamma^* p$ $\frac{d^4\sigma_{\mu p}}{dQ^2 dt d\nu d\phi} = \Gamma \frac{d^2\sigma_{\gamma^* p}}{dt d\phi}$ $\Gamma = \Gamma(E_\mu, Q^2, \nu)$

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\gamma^* p}}{dt d\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \epsilon \cos(2\phi) \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \cos(\phi) \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} \right]$$

❖ spin independent cross-section after averaging:

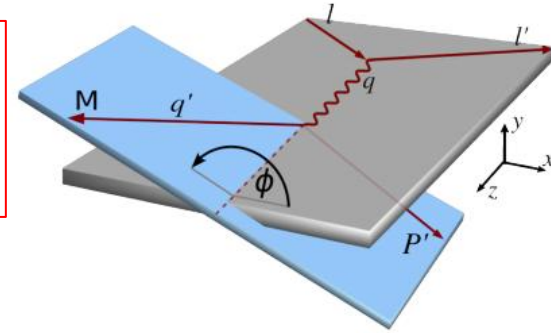
$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{\gamma^* p}}{dt d\phi} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d^2\sigma_{\gamma^* p}^{\leftarrow}}{dt d\phi} + \frac{d^2\sigma_{\gamma^* p}^{\rightarrow}}{dt d\phi} \right) \Rightarrow \text{study } \phi \text{ dependence}$$

❖ after integration in ϕ

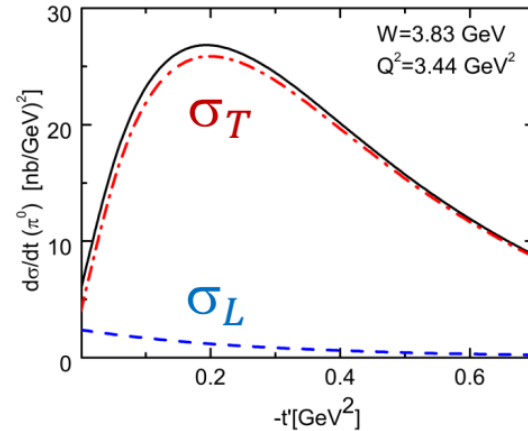
$$\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} \Rightarrow \text{study } t \text{ dependence}$$

❖ 2012: PLB 805 (2020) 135454

❖ 2016: accepted in PLB **NEW!**



S. Goloskokov and P. Kroll
(Eur.Phys.J A47, 112(2011))



GPDs in exclusive π^0 production

$$\frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} \propto \left[(1 - \xi^2) |\langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}} \rangle|^2 - 2\xi^2 \text{Re}(\langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}} \rangle^* \langle \tilde{\mathcal{E}} \rangle) - \frac{t}{4M^2} \xi^2 |\langle \tilde{\mathcal{E}} \rangle|^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} \propto \left[(1 - \xi^2) \langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_T \rangle^2 - \frac{t'}{8M^2} |\langle \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_T \rangle|^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \propto t' |\langle \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_T \rangle|^2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} \propto \xi \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \sqrt{-t'} \text{Re}(\langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_T \rangle^* \langle \tilde{\mathcal{E}} \rangle)$$

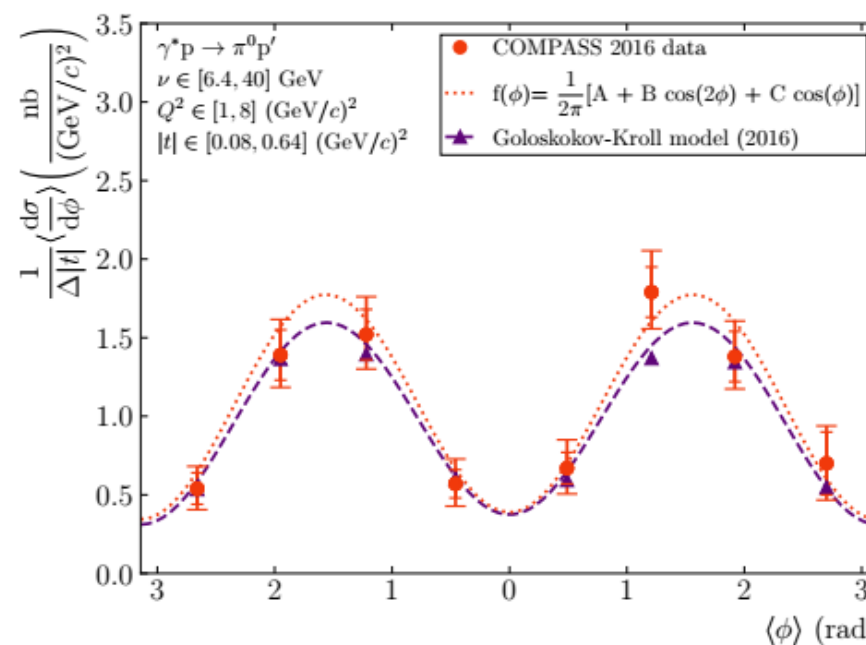
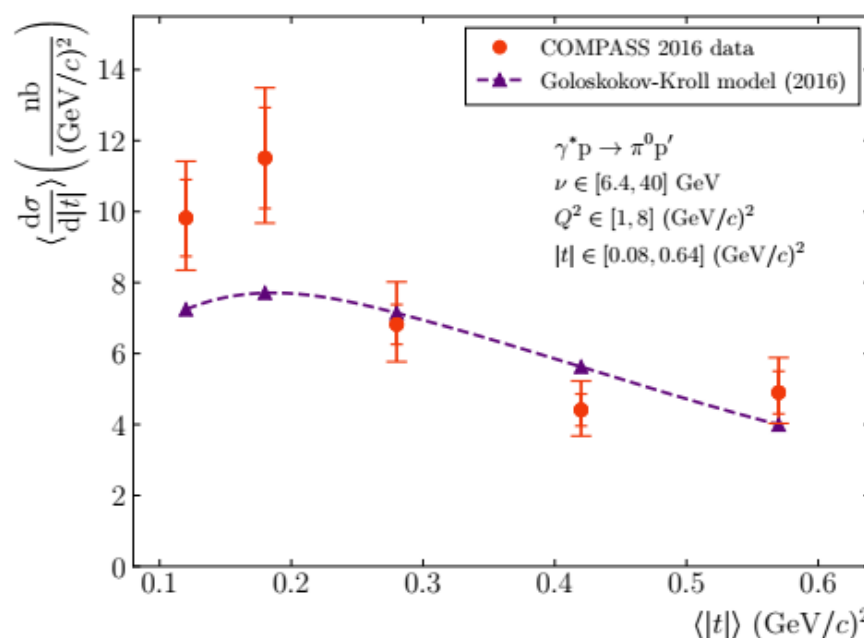
exclusive π_0 HEMP cross-section – results



- ❖ Measured t and ϕ -dependence on unpolarized proton at low x_B ($\langle x_B \rangle = 0.134$)
- ❖ Provides key input for **phenomenological models**
 - ❖ Strong sensitivity to **chiral-odd GPDs**
 - ❖ Especially constrains the poorly known $\bar{E}_T$
- ❖ 2016 data: **2.3× statistics** vs 2012
 - ❖ Full 2016/17 dataset: up to **9× larger**

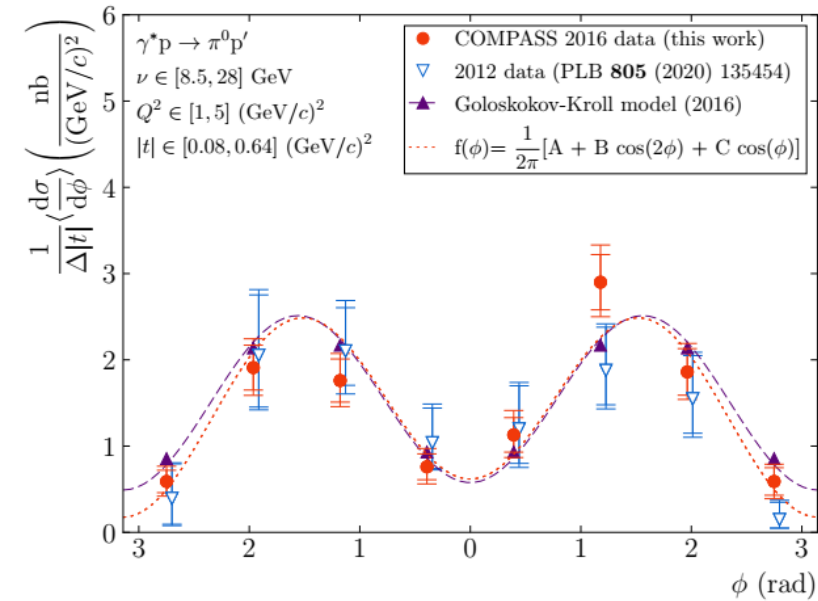
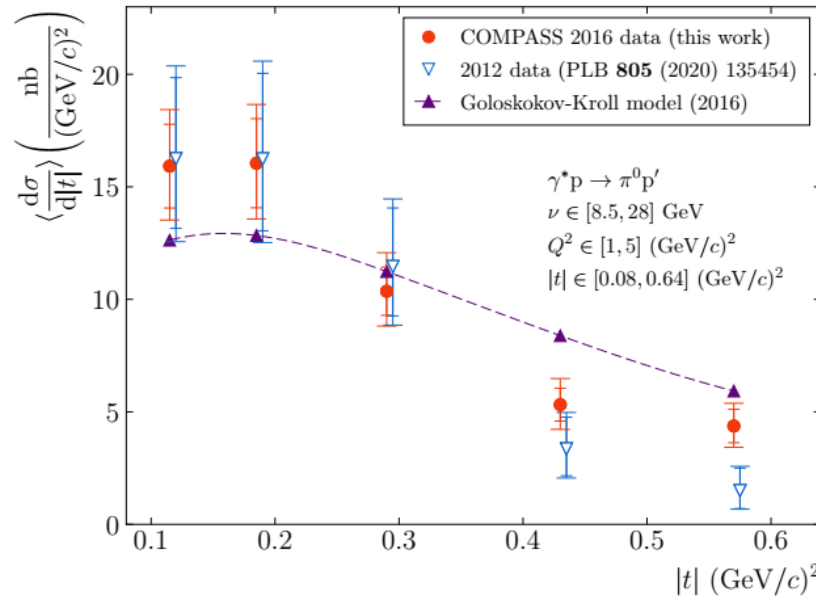
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exclusive π_0 HEMP cross-section – 2012 comp.

- Kinematic domain: ν (8.5, 28) GeV and Q^2 (1,5) GeV^2/c^2 , $\langle x_B \rangle = 0.10$



$$\left\langle \frac{d\sigma_T}{d|t|} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{d|t|} \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{d|t|} \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{d|t|} \right\rangle$$

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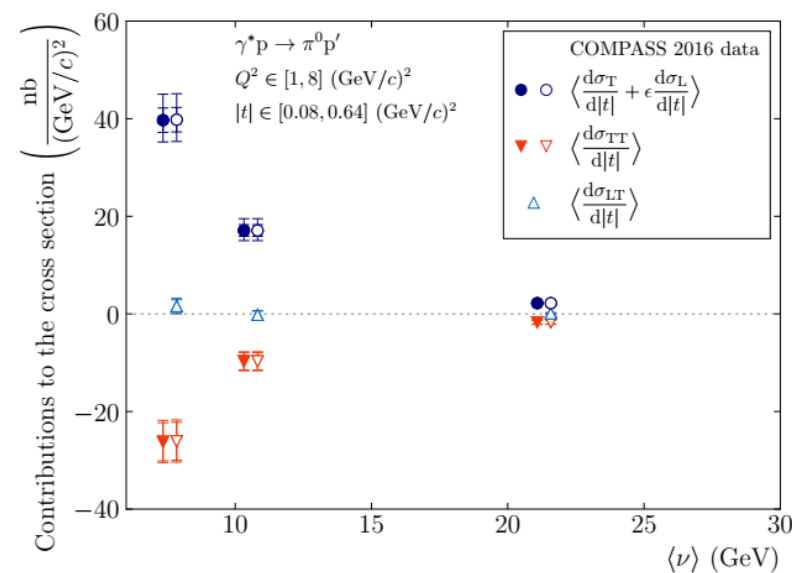
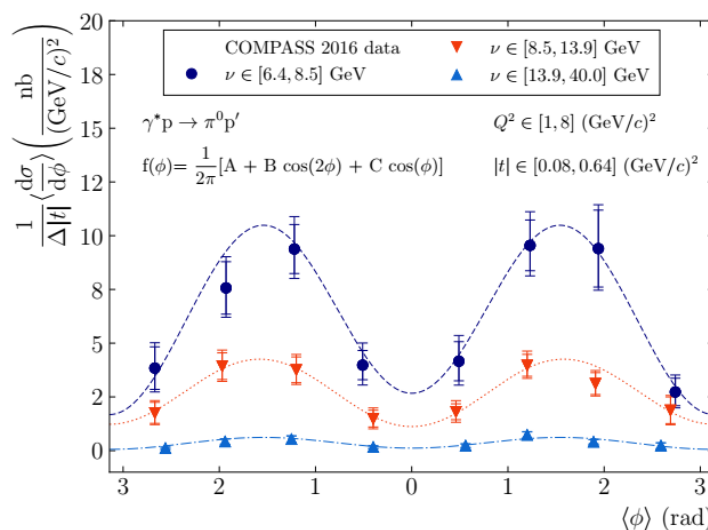
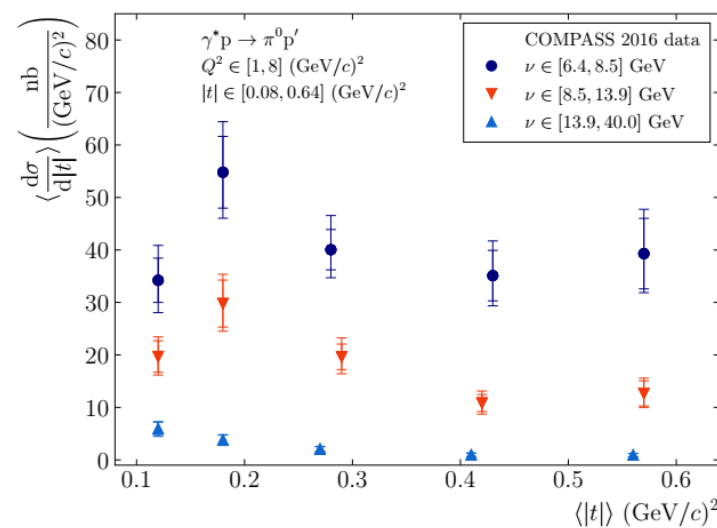
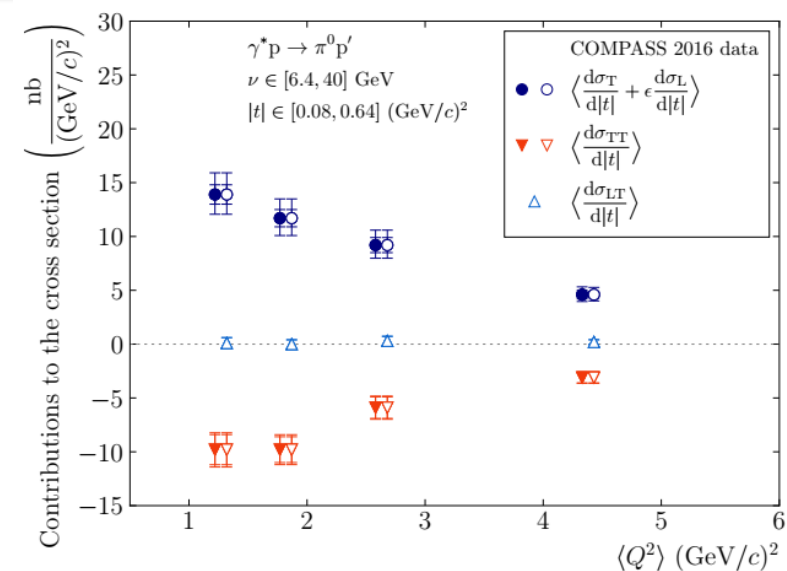
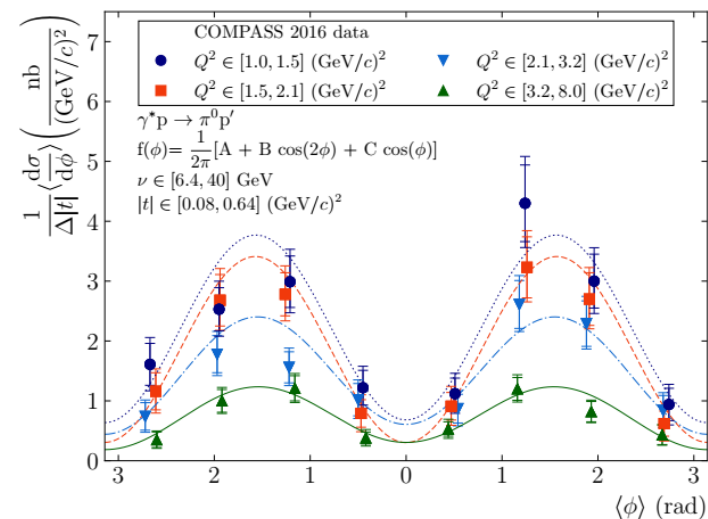
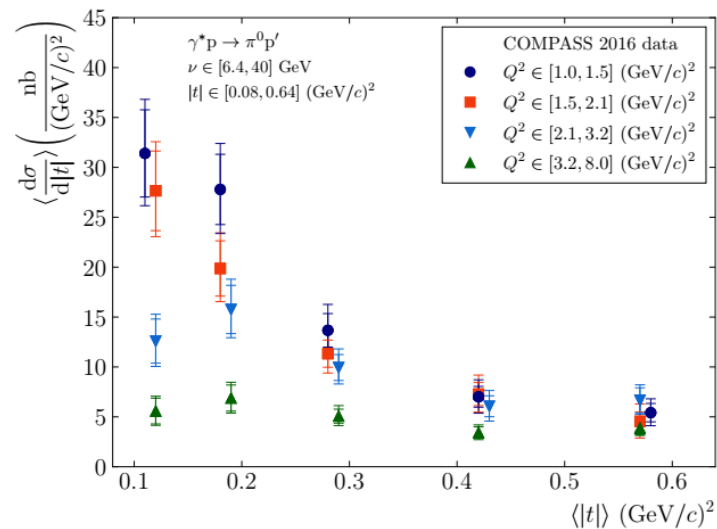
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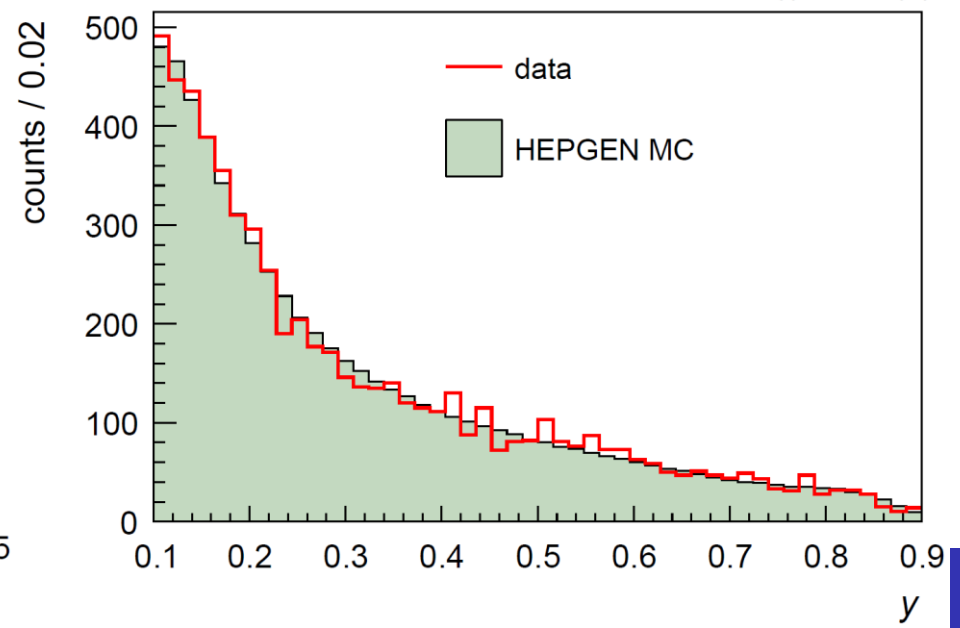
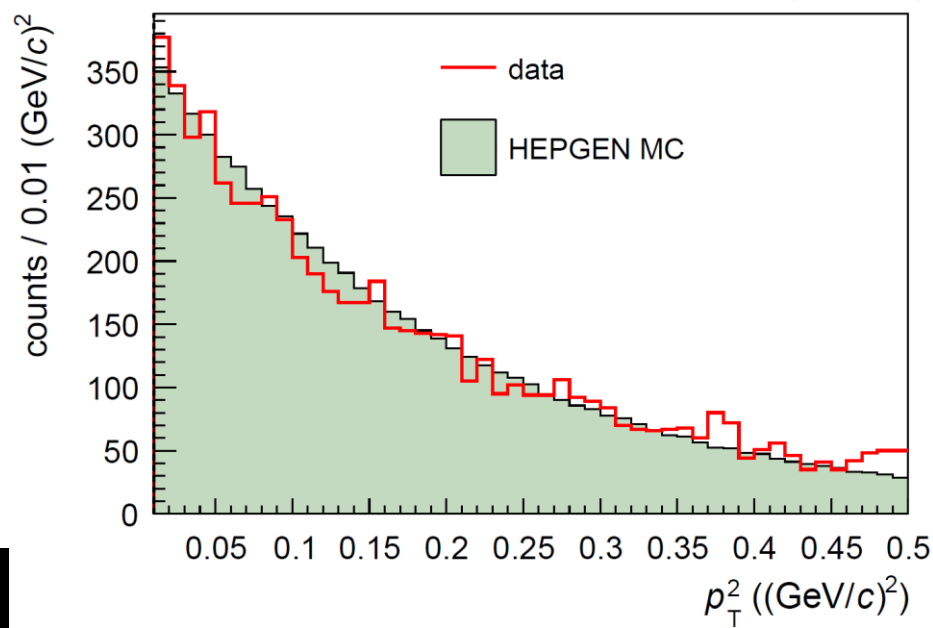
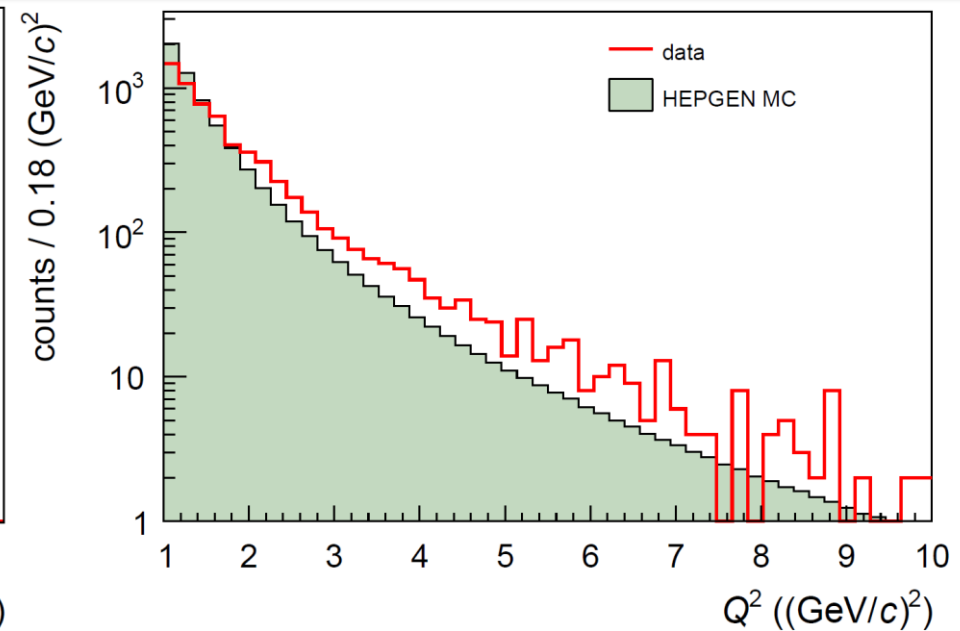
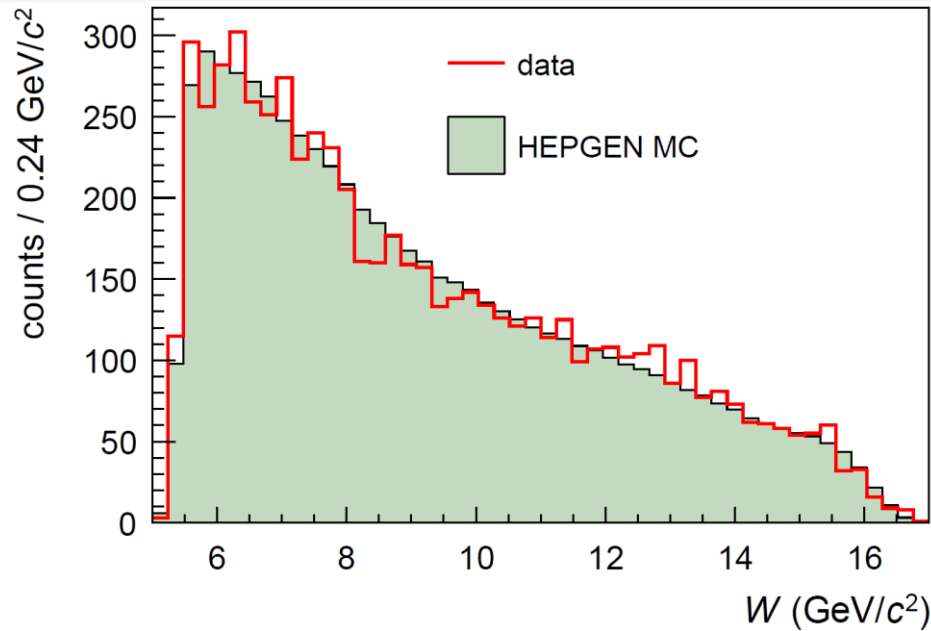
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• ν and Q^2 evolution



Exclusive ϕ Meson - Kinematic variables

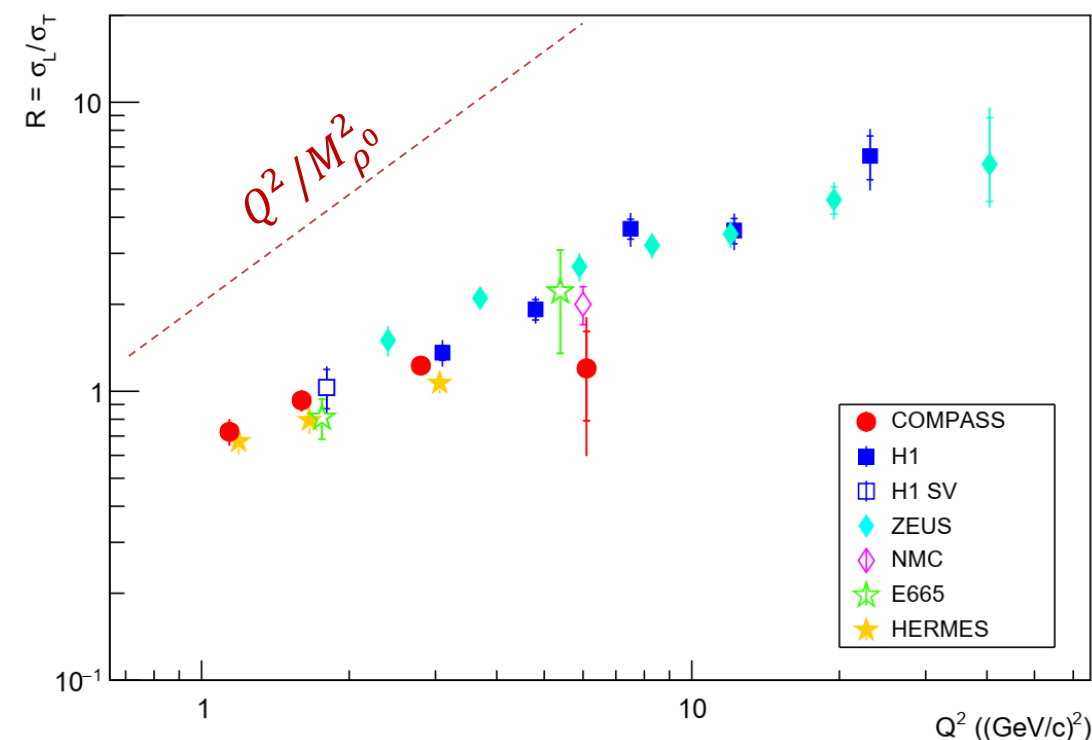


L/T cross-section ratio

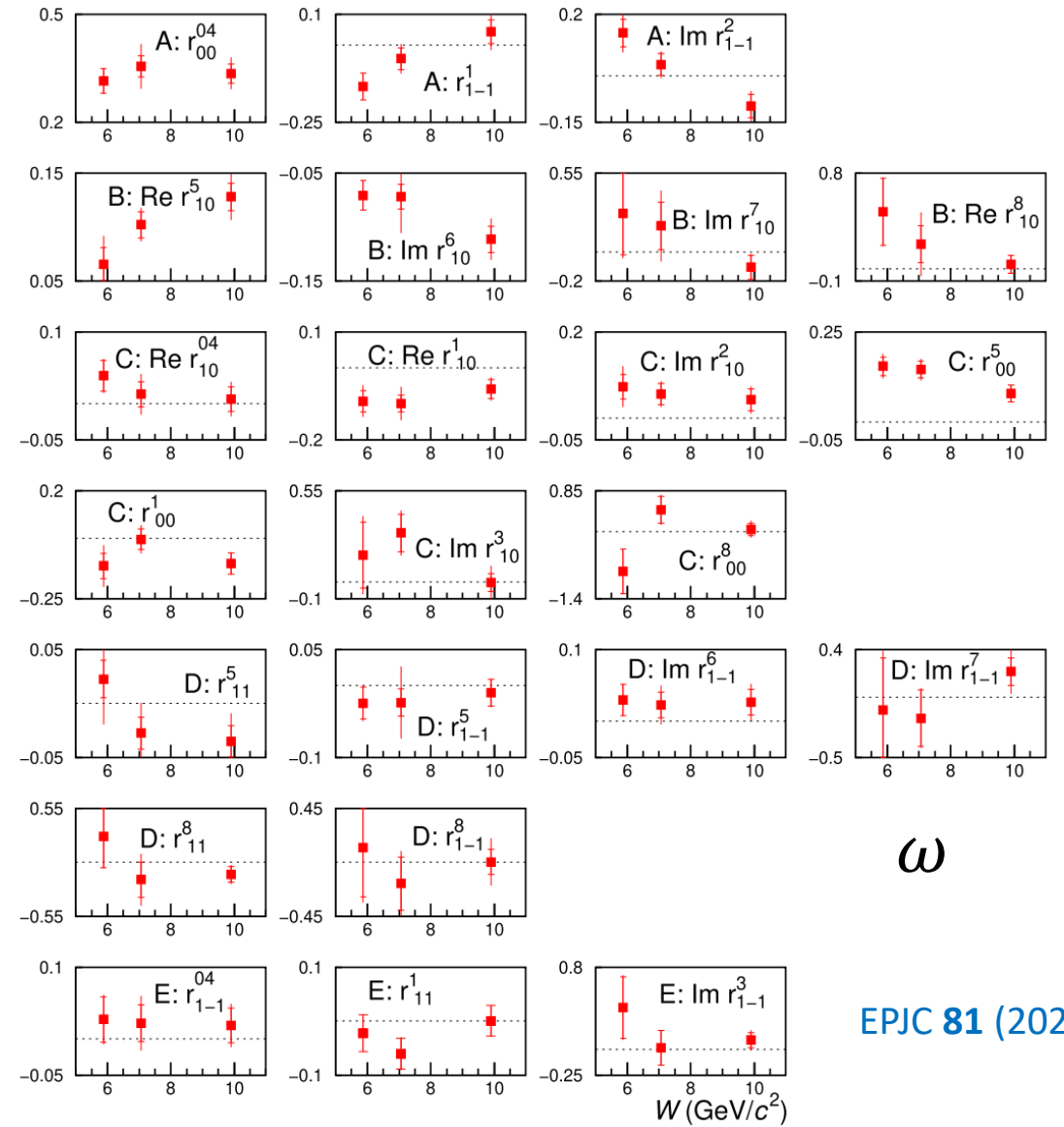
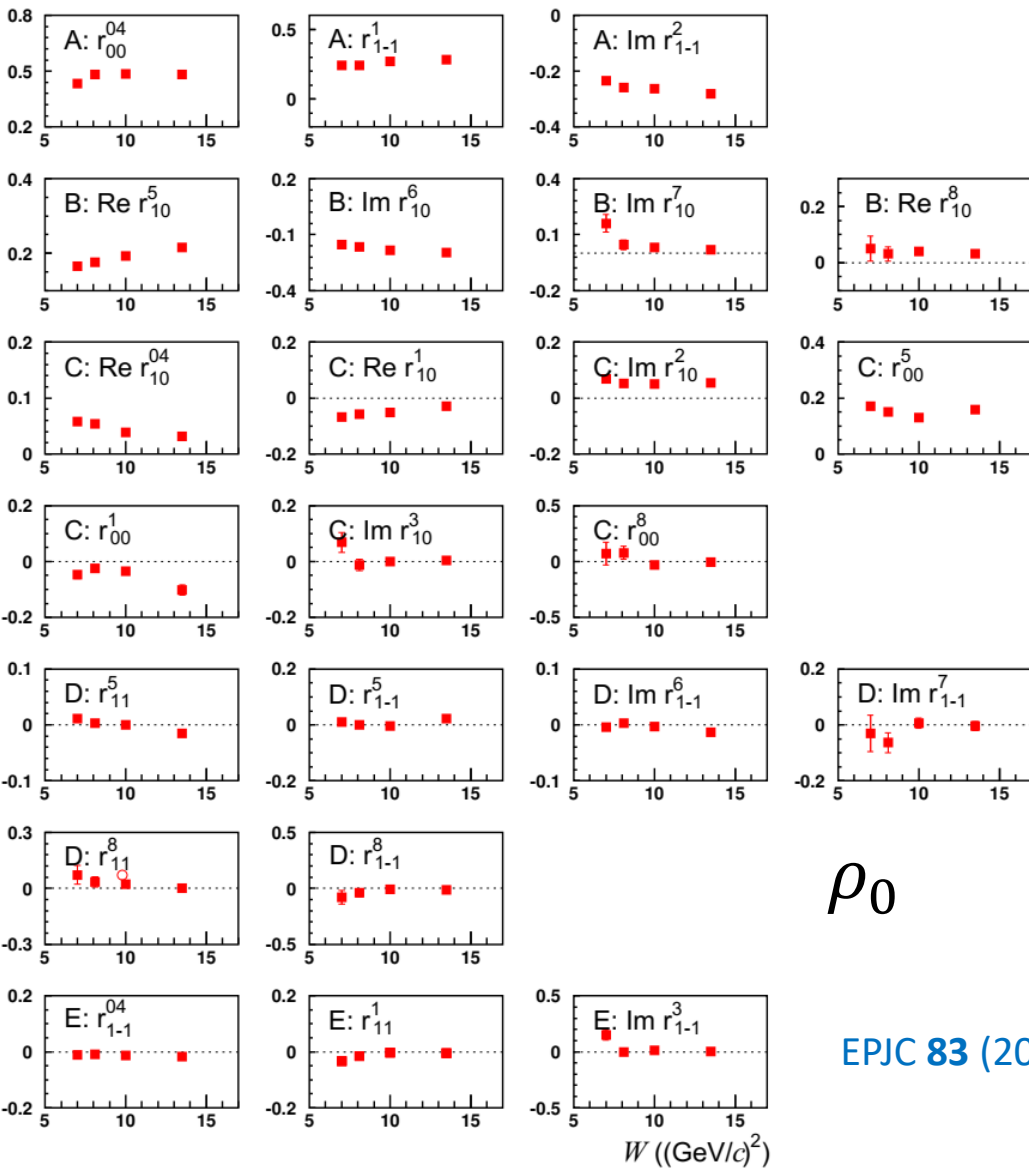
❖ ρ^0 : L/T cross-section ratio

$$R = \frac{\sigma_L(\gamma_L^* \rightarrow V)}{\sigma_T(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V)} \text{ in case of SCHC} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{r_{00}^{04}}{1 - r_{00}^{04}}$$

- ❖ compared to previous data at $Q^2 > 1.0 \text{ GeV}^2$
- ❖ deviation from LO pQCD prediction ($Q^2/M_{\rho^0}^2$)->
-> QCD evolution & q_T effects
- ❖ meson transverse size effects smaller for σ_L than for σ_T



SDMEs dependences



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