

# Transversity in exclusive meson leptonproduction

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## Outline:

- Evidence for strong  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \pi$  transitions
- Transversity in the handbag approach
- Results for pseudoscalar mesons
- Vector mesons
- Summary

# An almost model-independent argument

consider pion leptonproduction

sum and difference of single-flip ampl.

( $\sim \sqrt{-t'}$  for  $t' \rightarrow 0$  by angular mom. conserv.)

$$\mathcal{M}_{0+\mu+}^{N(U)} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \mathcal{M}_{0+\mu+} + (-) \mathcal{M}_{0+-\mu+} \right] \quad \mu = \pm 1$$

$$\implies \mathcal{M}_{0+-+}^N = +\mathcal{M}_{0+++}^N \quad \mathcal{M}_{0+-+}^U = -\mathcal{M}_{0+++}^U$$

like a one-particle-exchange of either **N**atural or **U**nnatural parity

nucleon helicity flip:  $\mathcal{M}_{0--+} \sim t'$      $\mathcal{M}_{0-++} \sim \text{const}$

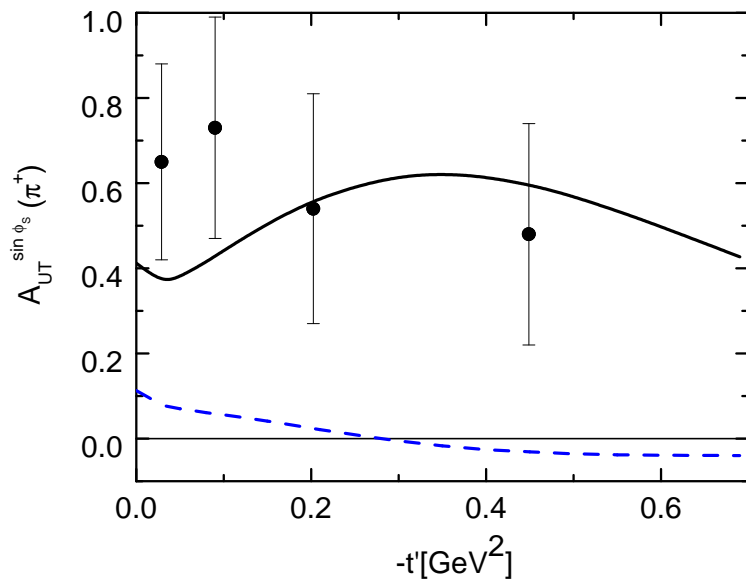
sum and difference inconvenient

( constant may be small - or zero - for dynamical reasons)

## Experiment:

Pion photoproduction: cross section exhibits pronounced maximum at  $t = 0$   
*const.* cannot be small Phillips (1967): Regge cuts necessary

## Pion leptonproduction



## HERMES(09)

$$Q^2 \simeq 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2, W = 3.99 \text{ GeV}$$

$\sin \phi_s$  modulation very large

does not seem to vanish for  $t' \rightarrow 0$

$$A_{UT}^{\sin \phi_s} \propto \text{Im} \left[ \mathcal{M}_{0-,++}^* \mathcal{M}_{0+,0+} \right]$$

n-f. ampl.  $\mathcal{M}_{0-,++}$  required

not vanishing in forward direction

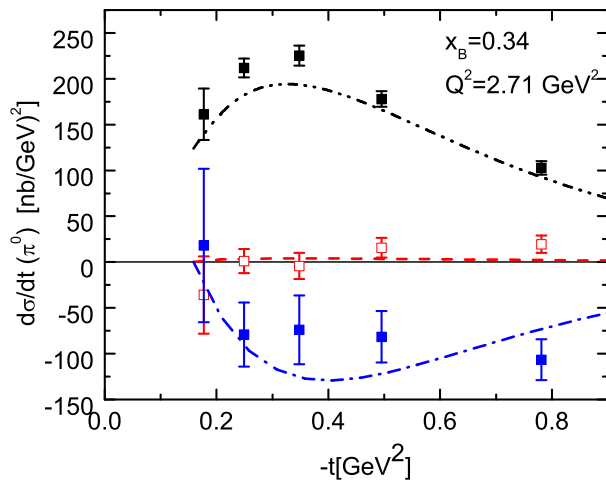
**assumption:**  $|\mathcal{M}_{0--}| \ll |\mathcal{M}_{0-++}|, |\mathcal{M}_{0+\pm}|$

( $\phi_s$  orientation of target spin vector)

# Transverse cross sections

$$\frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} \simeq \frac{1}{2\kappa} \left[ |\mathcal{M}_{0-+++}|^2 + 2|\mathcal{M}_{0++++}^N|^2 + 2|\mathcal{M}_{0++++}^U|^2 \right] \quad \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \simeq -\frac{1}{\kappa} \left[ |\mathcal{M}_{0++++}^N|^2 - |\mathcal{M}_{0++++}^U|^2 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \right| \leq \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} \leq \frac{d\sigma}{dt}$$



$\pi^0$  data CLAS(12)

unsep. cross sec.,  $d\sigma_{LT}$ ,  $d\sigma_{TT}$

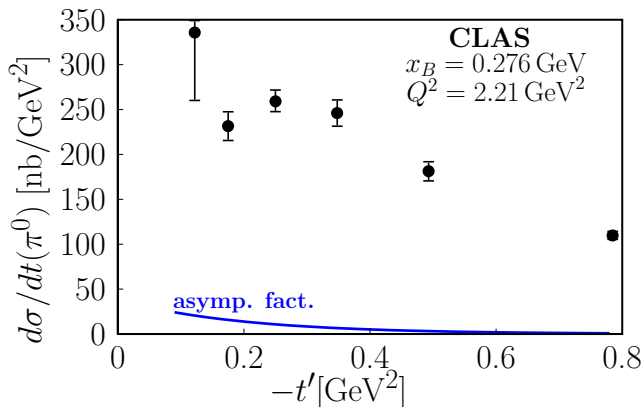
$|M_{0++++}^N|$  dominant in  $d\sigma_{TT}$

$$d\sigma_L/dt \ll d\sigma_T/dt$$

- consistent with  $d\sigma_{LT}/dt \simeq 0$

for  $t' \simeq 0$ :  $|M_{0-+++}|$  is seen

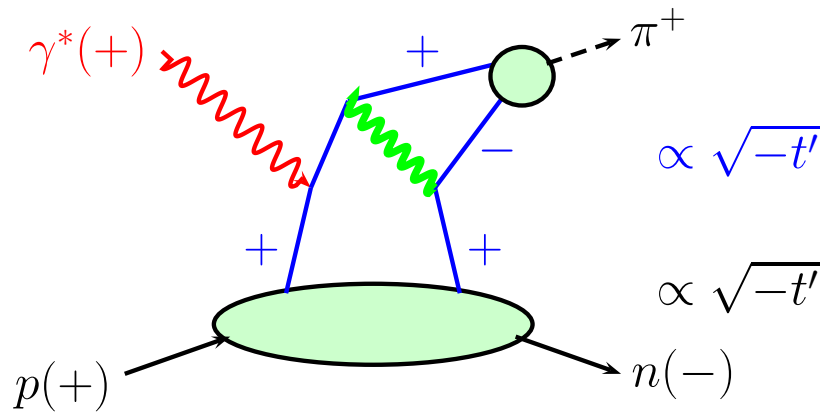
$|M_{0++++}^U| \ll |M_{0-+++}|, |M_{0++++}^N|$



# How can we model $\mathcal{M}_{0-,++}$ in the handbag?

helicity-non-flip GPDs

$H, E, \tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$

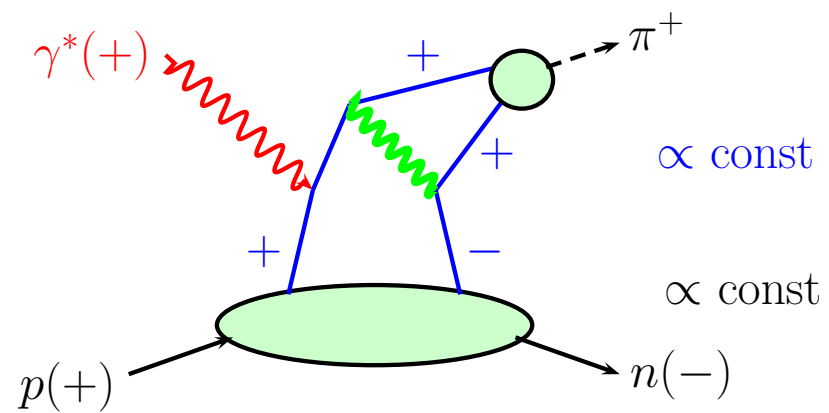


lead. twist pion wave fct.  $\propto q' \cdot \gamma \gamma_5$   
 (perhaps including  $\mathbf{k}_\perp$ )

$$\mathcal{M}_{0-,++} \propto t'$$

helicity-flip (transv.) GPDs

$H_T, E_T, \tilde{H}_T, \tilde{E}_T$



transversity GPDs required  
 go along with twist-3 w.f.

$$\mathcal{M}_{0-,++} \propto \text{const}$$

(forced by angular momentum conservation)

# $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \pi$ in the handbag approach

see Diehl01, GK10, GK11

$$\bar{E}_T \equiv 2\tilde{H}_T + E_T \quad \mu = \pm 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{0+\mu+} &= e_0 \frac{\sqrt{-t'}}{4m} \int dx \left\{ (H_{0+\mu-} - H_{0-\mu+}) (\bar{E}_T - \xi \tilde{E}_T) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (H_{0+\mu-} + H_{0-\mu+}) (\tilde{E}_T - \xi E_T) \right\} \\ \mathcal{M}_{0-\mu+} &= e_0 \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \int dx \left\{ H_{0-\mu+} \left[ H_T + \frac{\xi}{1 - \xi^2} (\tilde{E}_T - \xi E_T) \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (H_{0+\mu-} - H_{0-\mu+}) \frac{t'}{4m^2} \tilde{H}_T \right\} \end{aligned}$$

with parity conserv. ( $H_{0+\pm-} = -H_{0-\mp+}$ ):  $\mathcal{M}_{0+\pm+} = \mathcal{M}_{0+++}^N \pm \mathcal{M}_{0+++}^U$

time-reversal invariance:  $\tilde{E}_T$  is odd function of  $\xi$

N:  $\bar{E}_T$  with corrections of order  $\xi^2$       U: order  $\xi$

small  $-t'$ :  $\mathcal{M}_{0-++}$  mainly  $H_T$  with corrections of order  $\xi^2$  (no definite parity)

$\mathcal{M}_{0--+}$  suppressed by  $t/Q^2$  due to  $H_{0--+}$

handbag explains structure of ampl. at least at small  $\xi$  and small  $-t'$

# The twist-3 pion distr. amplitude

projector  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \pi$  (3-part.  $q\bar{q}g$  contr. neglected) Beneke-Feldmann (01)

$$\sim q' \cdot \gamma \gamma_5 \Phi + \mu_\pi \gamma_5 \left[ \Phi_P - i\sigma_{\mu\nu} (\dots \Phi'_\sigma + \dots \Phi_\sigma \partial / \partial \mathbf{k}_\perp \nu) \right]$$

definition:  $\langle \pi^+(q') | \bar{d}(x) \gamma_5 u(-x) | 0 \rangle = f_\pi \mu_\pi \int d\tau e^{iq'x\tau} \Phi_P(\tau)$

local limit  $x \rightarrow 0$  related to divergency of axial vector current

$$\implies \mu_\pi = m_\pi^2 / (m_u + m_d) \simeq 2 \text{ GeV at scale } 2 \text{ GeV (conv. } \int d\tau \Phi_P(\tau) = 1)$$

Eq. of motion:  $\tau \Phi_P = \Phi_\sigma / N_c - \tau \Phi'_\sigma / (2N_c)$

solution:  $\Phi_P = 1, \quad \Phi_\sigma = \Phi_{AS} = 6\tau(1 - \tau)$  Braun-Filyanov (90)

$$H_{0-,++}^{\text{twist-3}}(t=0) \neq 0, \quad \Phi_P \text{ dominant, } \Phi_\sigma \text{ contr. } \propto t/Q^2$$

in coll. appr.:  $H_{0-,++}^{\text{twist-3}}$  singular, in  $\mathbf{k}_\perp$  factorization (m.p.a.) regular

$$M_{0-++} = e_0 \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \int dx H_{0-++}^{\text{twist-3}} H_T, \quad M_{0+\pm+} = -e_0 \frac{\sqrt{-t'}}{4m} \int dx H_{0-++}^{\text{twist-3}} \bar{E}_T$$

(suppressed by  $\mu_\pi/Q$  as compared to  $L \rightarrow L$  amplitudes)

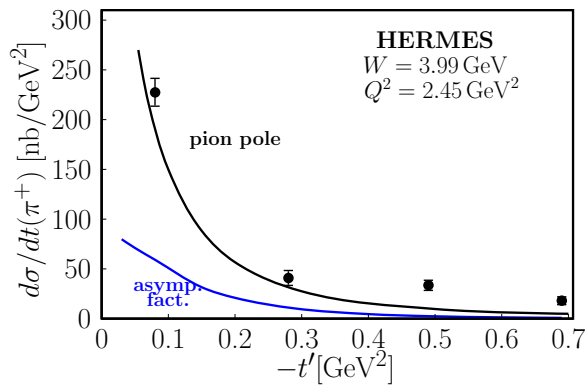
# The pion pole

$$\mathcal{M}_{0+0+} = \frac{e_0}{2} \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \langle \tilde{H} - \frac{\xi^2}{1 - \xi^2} \tilde{E} \rangle \quad \mathcal{M}_{0-0+} = e_0 \frac{\sqrt{-t'}}{4m} \xi \langle \tilde{E} \rangle$$

leading amplitudes for  $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$

For  $\pi^+$  production - pion pole:

(Mankiewicz et al (98), Penttinen et al (99))



$$\tilde{E}_{\text{pole}}^u = -\tilde{E}_{\text{pole}}^d = \Theta(|x| \leq \xi) \frac{m f_\pi g_{\pi NN}}{\sqrt{2}\xi} \frac{F_{\pi NN}(t)}{m_\pi^2 - t} \Phi_\pi\left(\frac{x + \xi}{2\xi}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma_L^{\text{pole}}}{dt} \sim \frac{-t}{Q^2} \left[ \sqrt{2} e_0 g_{\pi NN} \frac{F_{\pi NN}(t)}{m_\pi^2 - t} Q^2 F_\pi^{\text{pert}}(Q^2) \right]^2$$

underestimates c.s. (blue l.)  $F_\pi^{\text{pert.}} \simeq 0.3 - 0.5 F_\pi^{\text{exp.}}$

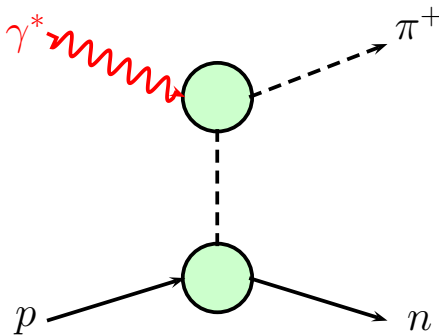
( $F_\pi$  measured in  $\pi^+$  electroproduction at Jlab)

Goloskokov-K(09):  $F_\pi^{\text{pert}} \rightarrow F_\pi^{\text{exp}}$

knowledge of the sixties suffices to explain data (small  $-t$ )

Bechler-Mueller(09): consider  $\alpha_s$  as a free parameter

$$\rightarrow \alpha_s \simeq 1$$





# Parametrization of $H_T$ and $\bar{E}_T$

$H_T$ : transversity PDFs Anselmino et al(09)

$$\Delta_T q(x) = N_{H_T}^q \sqrt{x}(1-x) [q(x) + \Delta q(x)] \quad \text{DD ansatz}$$

parameters:  $\alpha(0) = -0.02$ ,  $\alpha' = 0.45 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ ,  $b = 0$ ,  $N^u = 0.78$ ,  $N^d = -1.01$

opposite sign for  $u$  and  $d$  quarks but  $u$  larger than  $d$

Alternative: normalize to lattice moments

$\bar{E}_T$ : only available lattice result for moments: [QCDSF-UKQCD\(06\)](#)

Large, same sign and almost same size for  $u$  and  $d$  quarks

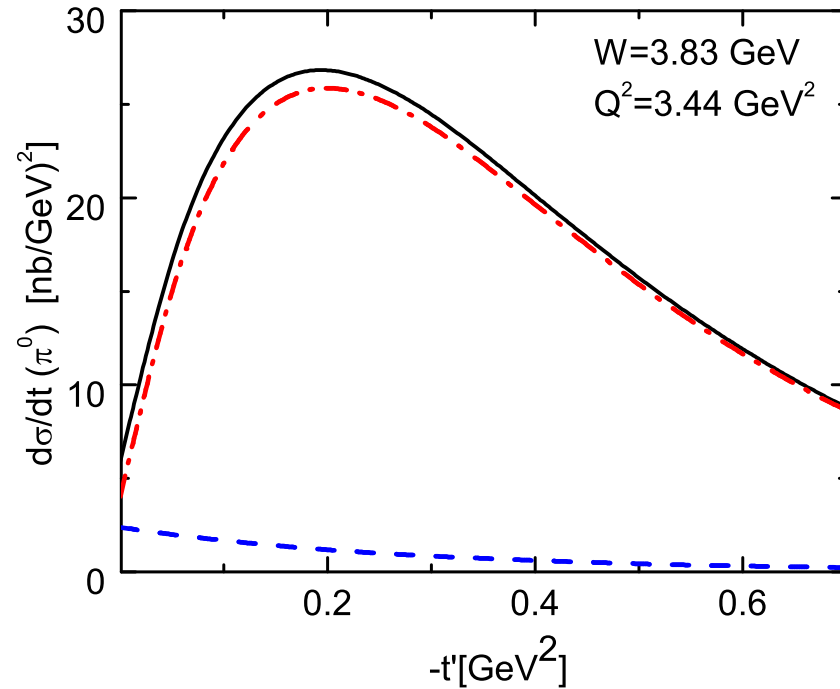
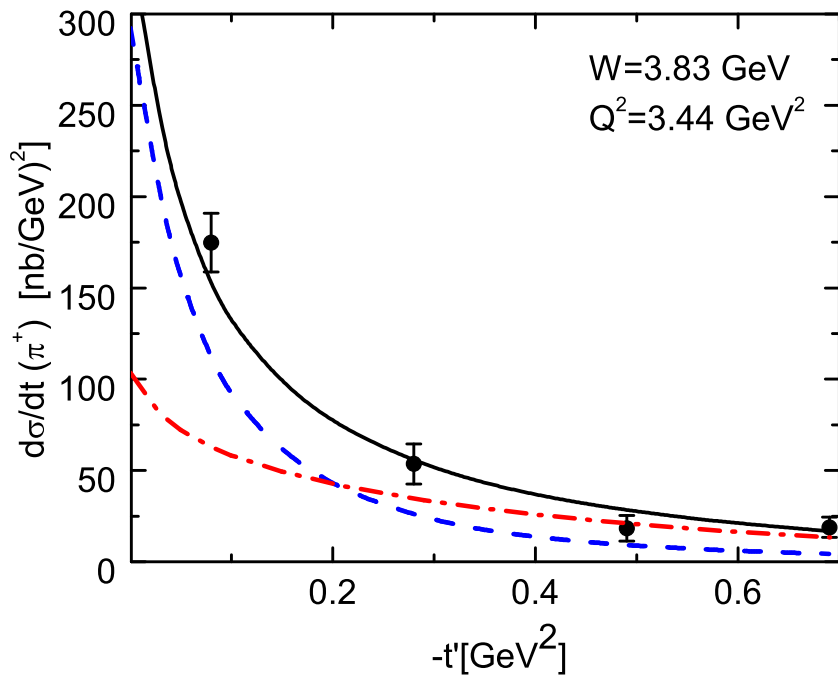
$$\bar{E}_T \text{ parameterization: } e_T^a = \bar{N}_T^e e^{b_{eT} t} x^{-\alpha_T^e(t)} (1-x)^{\beta_{eT}^a}$$

parameters:  $\alpha(0) = 0.3$ ,  $\alpha' = 0.45 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ ,  $b = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ ,  $\bar{N}_T^u = 6.83$ ,  $\bar{N}_T^d = 5.05$

[adjusted to lattice results](#)

[Burkardt](#): related to Boer-Mulders fct  $\langle \cos(2\phi) \rangle$  in SIDIS – same pattern

# $H_T$ and $\bar{E}_T$ in pion electroproduction



unseparated (longitudinal, transverse) cross sections

$\pi^+$ : pion pole and  $\propto K^u - K^d$

$\pi^0$ : no pion pole and  $\propto e_u K^u - e_d K^d$

consider  $u - d$  signs:  $\bar{E}_T$  same,  $\tilde{H}, H_T$  opposite sign

$\implies \tilde{H}$  and  $H_T$  large for  $\pi^+$ , small for  $\pi^0$

$\bar{E}_T$  small for  $\pi^+$ , large for  $\pi^0$

# Analysis of CLAS data

$\tilde{H}$  from Diehl-K (13) based on DSSV (11)

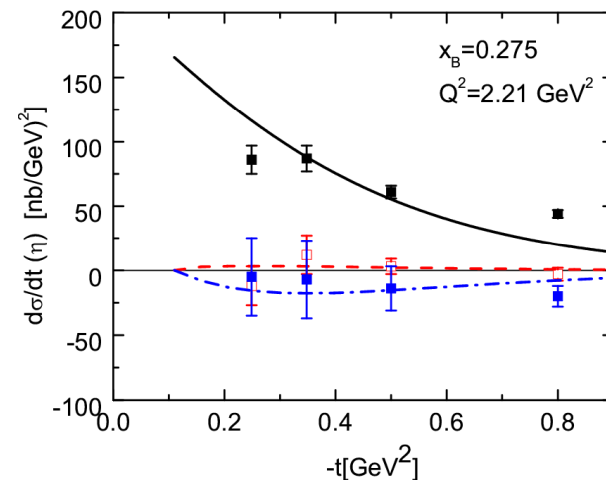
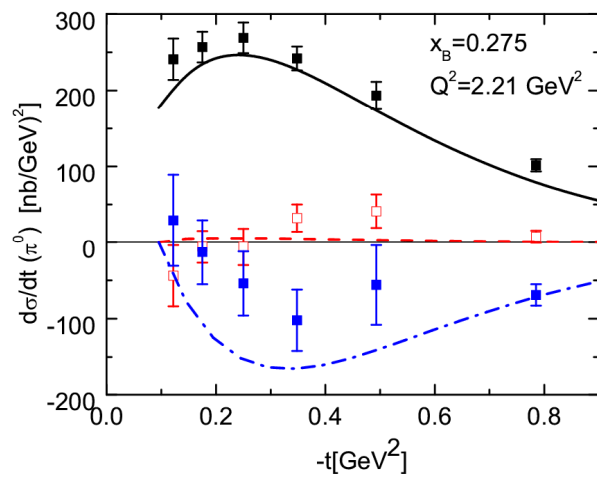
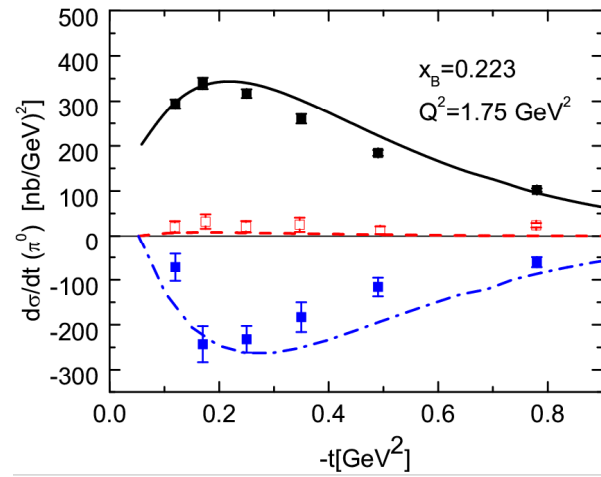
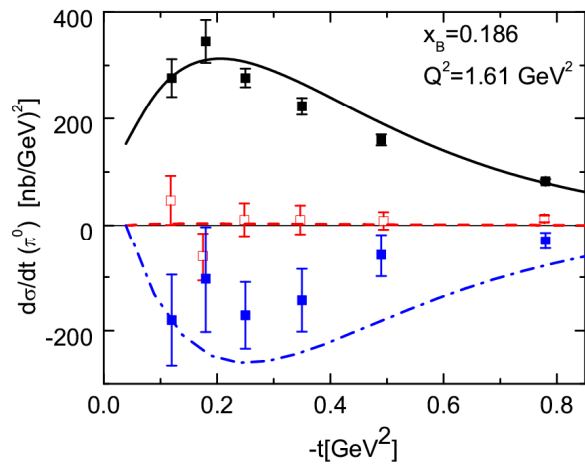
$H_T, \bar{E}_T$  as mentioned before (normalized to lattice QCD results)

NEW:

$\mu_\pi = 2.65 \text{ GeV} \simeq \mu_\eta$  according to current quark masses (PDG)

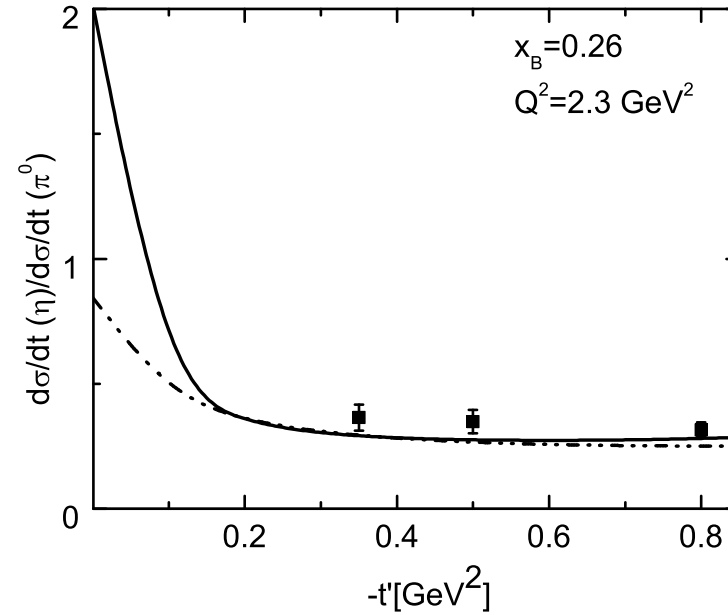
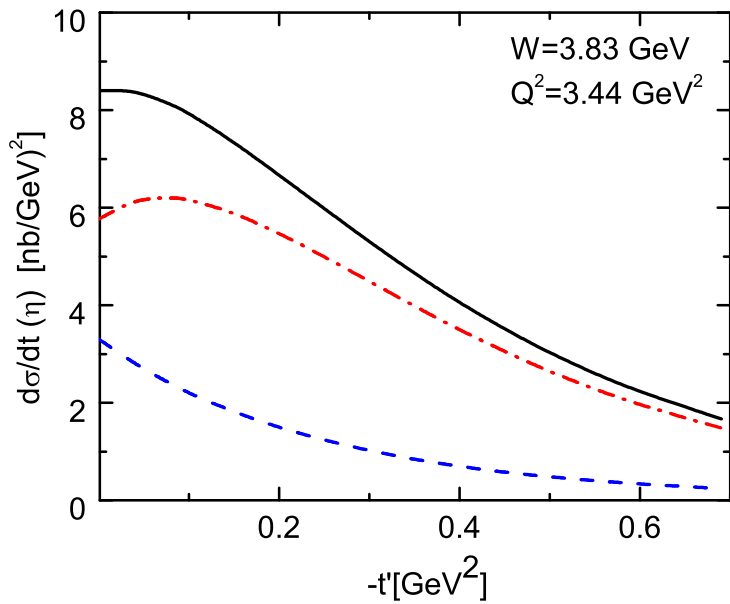
$$\xi = \frac{x_B}{2 - x_B} \left[ 1 + \frac{2}{2 - x_B} \frac{m_\pi^2}{Q^2} - 2x_B^2 \frac{1 - x_B}{2 - x_B} \frac{m^2}{Q^2} + 2x_B \frac{1 - x_B}{2 - x_B} \frac{t}{Q^2} \right]$$

reduces  $-t_0 = 4m^2\xi^2/(1 - \xi^2)$  (see also Braun et al(14))



data: Bedlinsky et al (12)

# $\eta/\pi^0$ ratio



data CLAS (prel.) unseparated (longitinal, transverse) cross sections

$$\frac{d\sigma(\eta)}{d\sigma(\pi^0)} \simeq \left(\frac{f_\eta}{f_\pi}\right)^2 \frac{1}{3} \left| \frac{e_u \langle K^u \rangle + e_d \langle K^d \rangle}{e_u \langle K^u \rangle - e_d \langle K^d \rangle} \right|^2 \quad (f_\eta = 1.26 f_\pi)$$

if  $K^u$  and  $K^d$  have opposite sign:  $\eta/\pi^0 \simeq 1$  ( $\eta = (\cos \theta_8 - \sqrt{2} \sin \theta_1) \eta_q$ )

if  $K^u$  and  $K^d$  have same sign:  $\eta/\pi^0 < 1$  (FKS scheme)

$t' \simeq 0$   $\tilde{H}, H_T$  dominant (see also Eides et al(98) assuming dominance of  $\tilde{H}$  for all  $t'$ )

$t' \neq 0$   $\bar{E}_T$  dominant

# Transversity in vector meson leptonproduction

as for pions:  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_L$  amplitudes, same subprocess amplitude  
except  $\Psi_\pi \rightarrow \Psi_V$ , i.e.  $f_\pi \rightarrow f_V$ ,  $\mu_\pi/Q \rightarrow m_V/Q$

$\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_L$  amplitudes somewhat smaller than the  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \pi$  ones but competition  
with  $\langle H \rangle$  (for gluons and quarks) instead with  $\langle \tilde{H} \rangle$  ( $|\langle H \rangle| \gg |\langle \tilde{H} \rangle|$ )

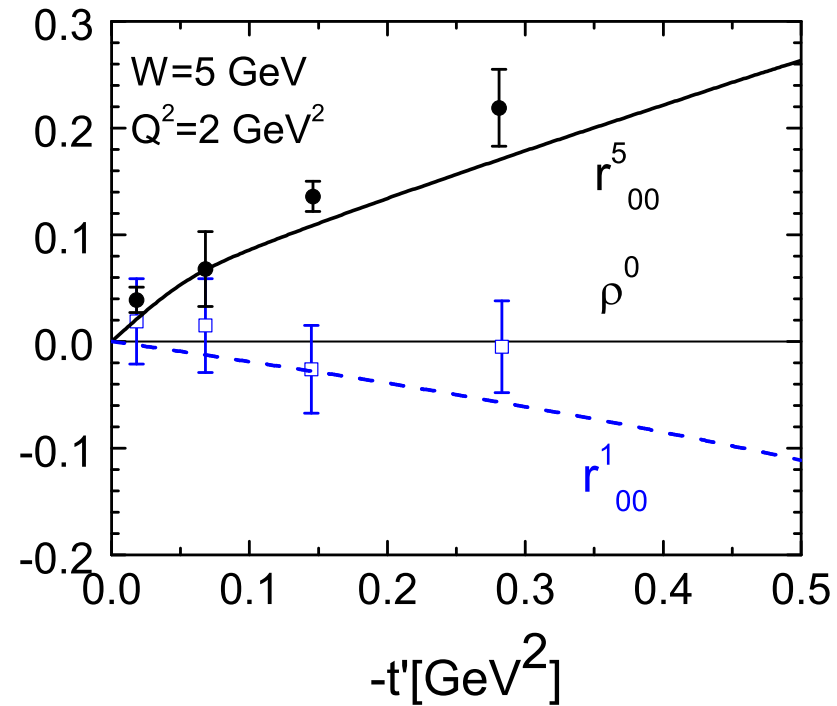
$\implies$  small transversity effects for vector mesons

only seen in some of the SDMEs and in spin asymmetries

examples from Goloskokov-K(13,14)

estimates, not fits

# Spin density matrix elements

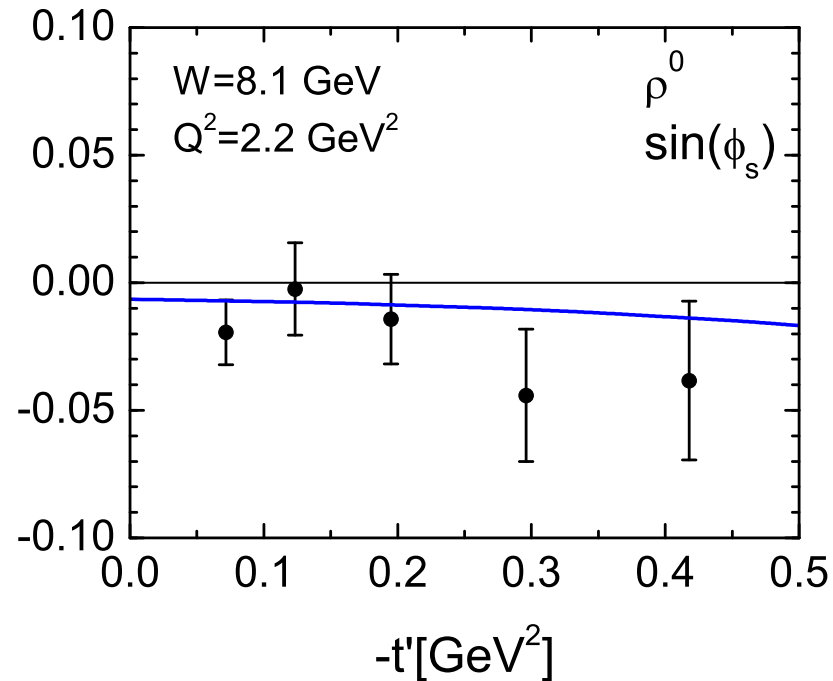


SDME from HERMES(09)

$$r^1_{00} \sim -|\langle \bar{E}_T \rangle|^2 \quad r^5_{00} \sim \text{Re}[\langle \bar{E}_T \rangle^* \langle H \rangle]$$

# Asymmetries

$\sin(\phi - \phi_s)$  modulations: contr. from leading-twist dominant  
contr. from transv. GPDs unimportant



data from COMPASS(13)

$$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_s)} \sim \text{Im} [\langle H_T \rangle^* \langle H \rangle]$$



# Gluon transversity?

only non-flip subprocess ampl. with gluon helicity-flip  $\mathcal{H}_{--,++}$  (helicities  $\pm 1$ )

$\implies$  contribution to  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_{-T}$  amplitudes  $\mathcal{M}_{-\mu\nu'\mu\nu}$

SDME (HERMES(09), H1(09)):  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_{-T}$  ampl. are small, compatible with zero  
consistent with small gluon transv. GPDs

not in contradiction with large quark transv. GPDs:

gluon and quark transv. GPDs evolve independently with scale

Hoodbhoy-Ji(98), Belitsky et al(00)

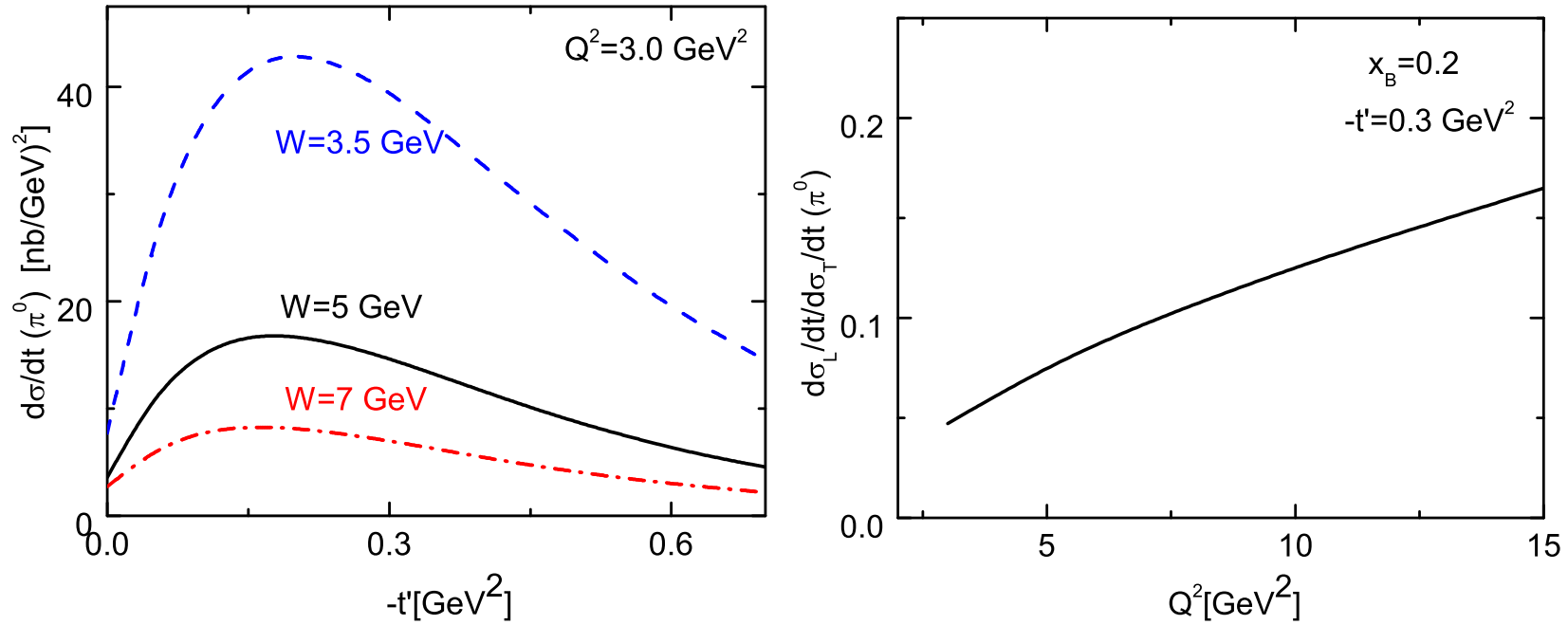
gluon transv. contribution to  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \gamma_{-T}$  DVCS at NLO

Hoodbhoy-Ji(98), Belitsky-Müller (00)

# Summary

- clear indications in data (CLAS, HERMES) for strong contributions from  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \pi$  transitions
- within handbag approach  $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \pi$  transitions are related to transversity (helicity-flip) GPDs accompanied by a twist-3 pion wave fct.
- $H_T$  and  $\bar{E}_T$  constrained by lattice results  
transversity PDFs from analysis of  $A_{UT}$  in SIDIS (Anselmino et al)  
underestimate  $H_T$
- fit to HERMES  $\pi^+$  data and interesting predictions for other channels  
trends and magnitudes of large  $\xi$  CLAS data reproduced
- transversity effects also seen in  $\rho^0$  and  $\omega$  production ( $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_L$  transitions)  
SDME -  $\bar{E}_T$ ; asymmetries -  $H_T$
- only estimates as yet (except  $\pi^+$ ); for fits data on  $\pi^0$  cross section at small  $\xi$  required

# Results for pion production



Goloskokov-K (10),(11) optimized for small  $\xi$  and large  $W$

# Strangeness production

e.g.  $\gamma^* p \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda(\Sigma^0)$

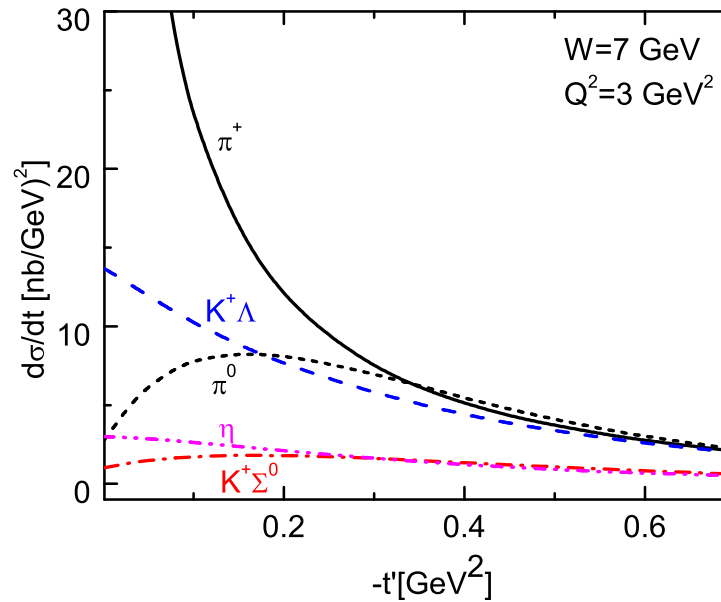
similar to  $\pi^+$  production

Kaon pole (smaller than pion pole)

and

twist-3 effect with

$$\mu_K = m_K^2 / (m_u + m_s) \simeq 2.0 \text{ GeV}$$



would probe  $\tilde{H}$ ,  $\tilde{E}$  and  $H_T$  for flavor symmetry breaking in sea

e.g.

$$K_{p \rightarrow \Sigma^0} = -K_v^d + (K^s - K^{\bar{d}}),$$

$$K_{p \rightarrow \Lambda} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \left[ 2K_v^u - K_v^d + (2K^{\bar{u}} - K^{\bar{d}} - K^s) \right]$$