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Unveiling Nucleon GPDs through Drell-Yan Processes



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Outline

- Exclusive Drell-Yan Process:
measuring nucleon **GPDs** in a ***time-like*** approach
- High-momentum beamline at J-PARC
 - GPDs with **pion** beams: **exclusive DY**
[PRD93 (2016) 114034]
 - GPDs with **proton** beams: **2-to-3 hard reactions**
[PRD80 (2009) 074003]
- Summary

Drell-Yan Process

S.D. Drell and T.M. Yan, PRL 25 (1970) 316



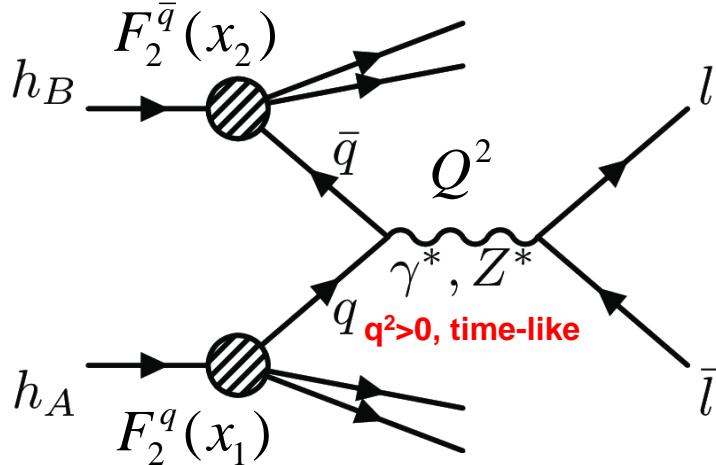
MASSIVE LEPTON-PAIR PRODUCTION IN HADRON-HADRON COLLISIONS AT HIGH ENERGIES*

Sidney D. Drell and Tung-Mow Yan

Stanford Linear Accelerator Center, Stanford University, Stanford, California 94305

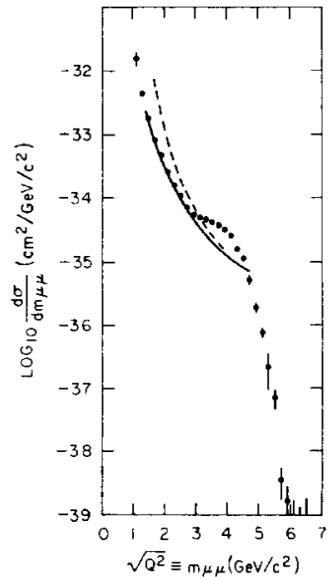
(Received 25 May 1970)

On the basis of a parton model studied earlier we consider the production process of large-mass lepton pairs from hadron-hadron inelastic collisions in the limiting region, $s \rightarrow \infty$, Q^2/s finite, Q^2 and s being the squared invariant masses of the lepton pair and the two initial hadrons, respectively. General scaling properties and connections with deep inelastic electron scattering are discussed. In particular, a rapidly decreasing cross section as $Q^2/s \rightarrow 1$ is predicted as a consequence of the observed rapid falloff of the inelastic scattering structure function νW_2 near threshold.



$$\tau = \frac{Q^2}{s} = x_1 x_2$$

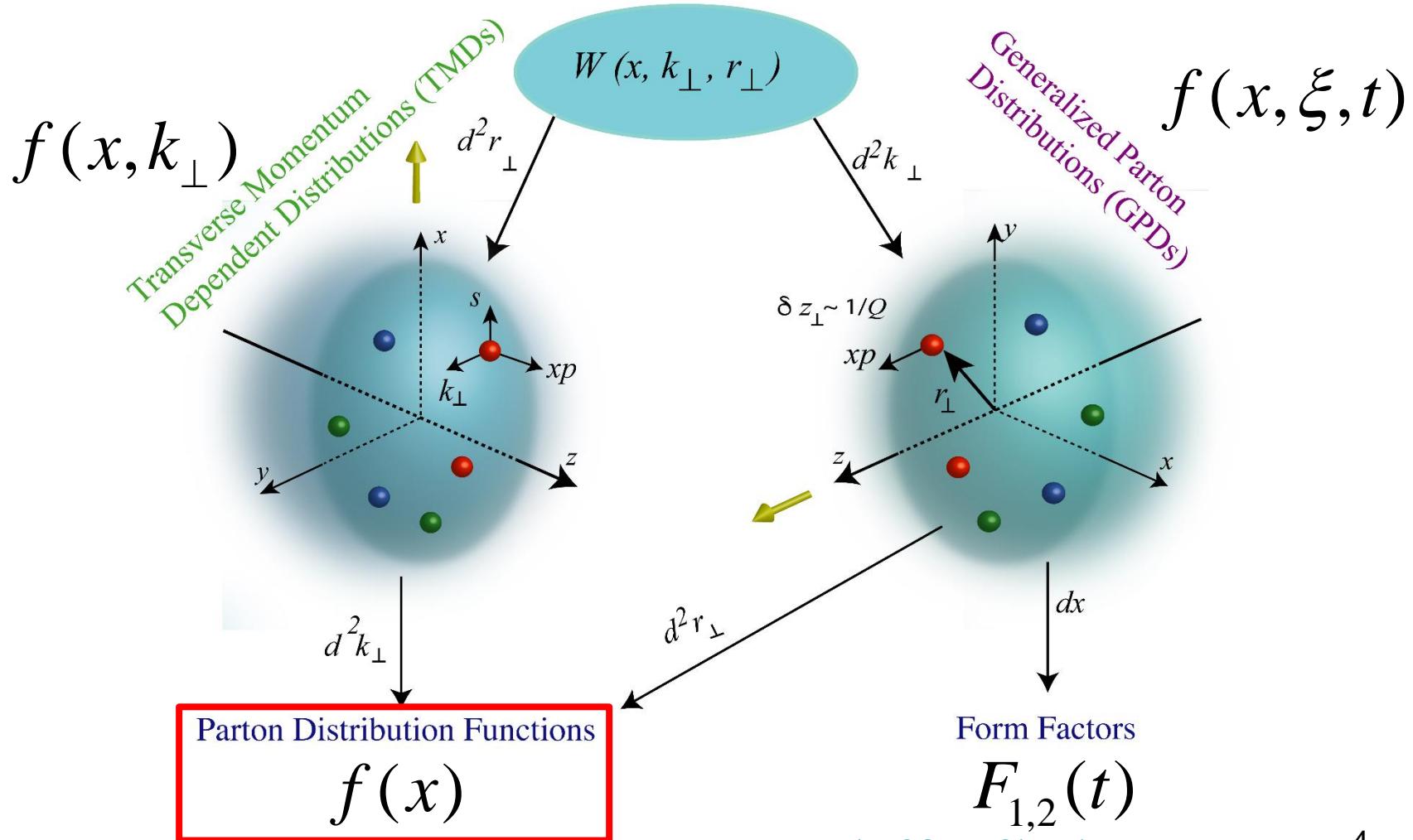
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = \left(\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3Q^2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{Q^2} \right) \mathcal{F}(\tau) = \left(\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3Q^2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{Q^2} \right) \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \delta(x_1 x_2 - \tau) \sum_a \lambda_a^{-2} F_{2a}(x_1) F_{2\bar{a}}'(x_2), \quad 3$$



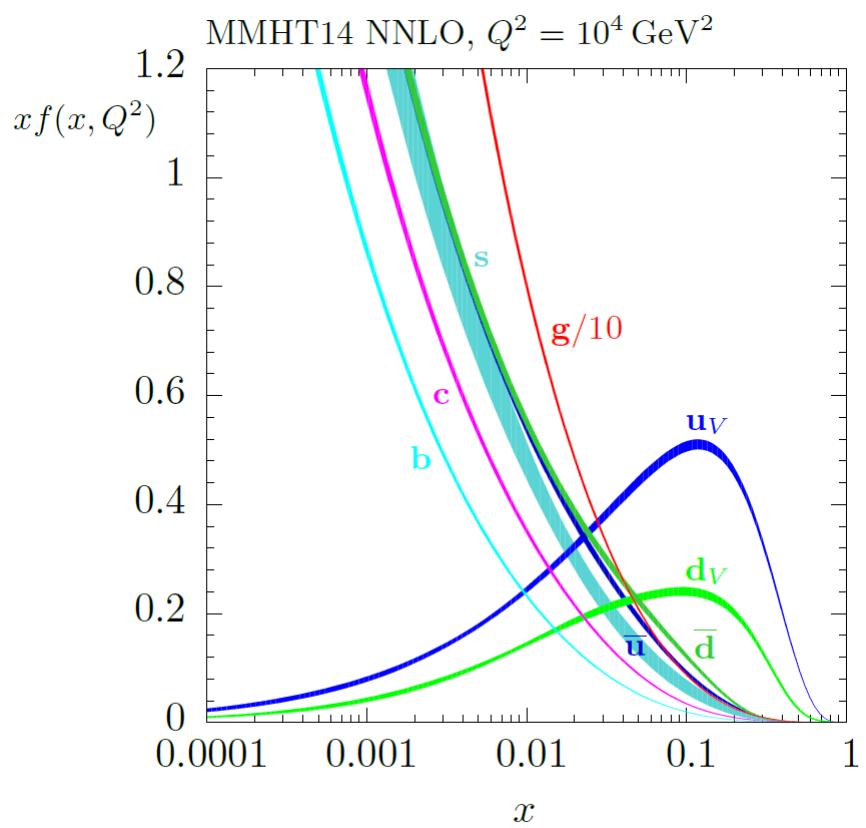
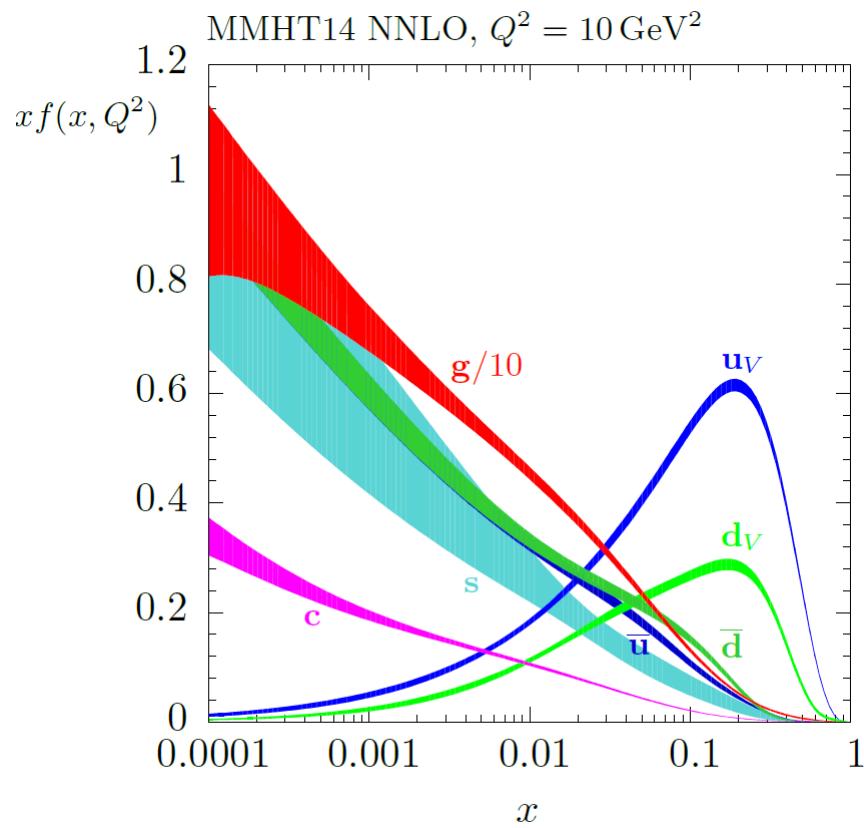
PRL 25 (1970) 1523

Multi-dimensional Partonic Structures

Wigner Distributions

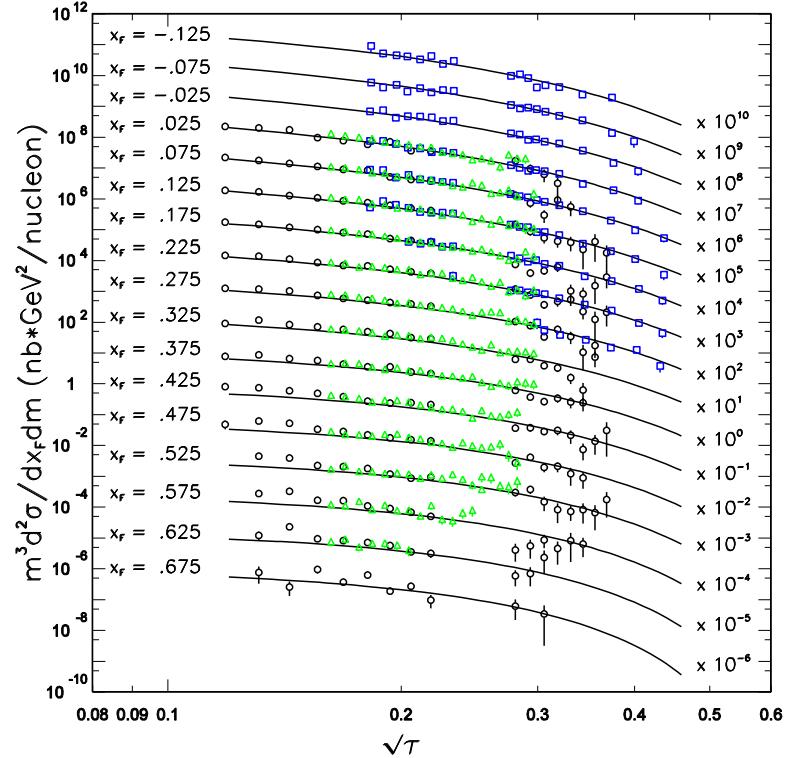
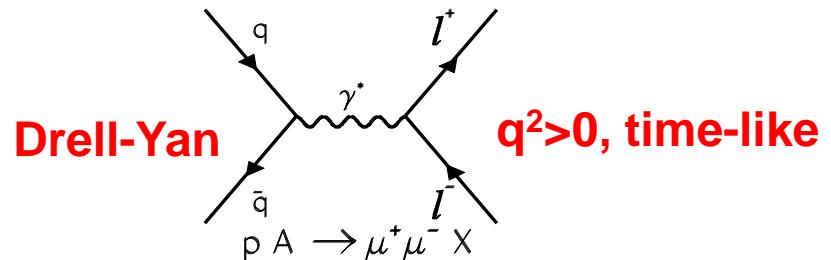
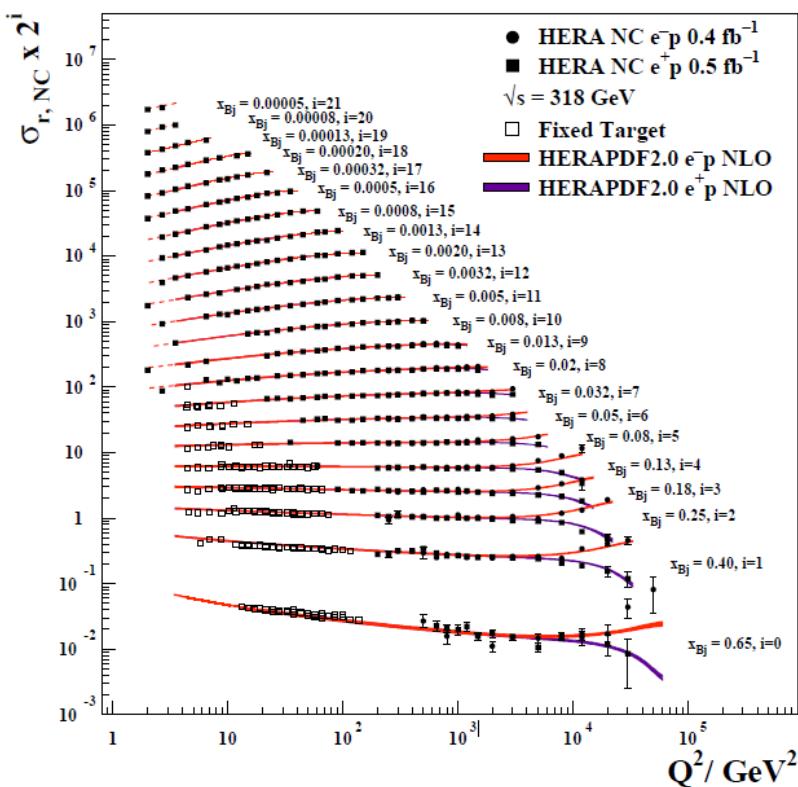
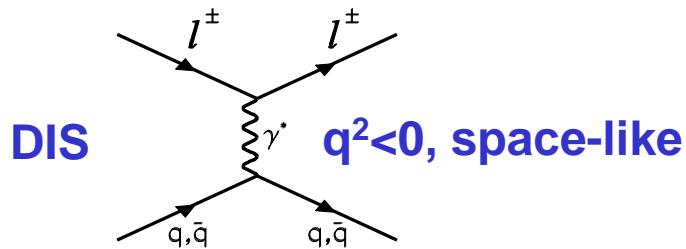


Parton Density Function (PDF) MMHT 2014



L. A. Harland-Lang, A. D. Martin, P. Motylinski, R.S. Thorne, arXiv:1412.3989

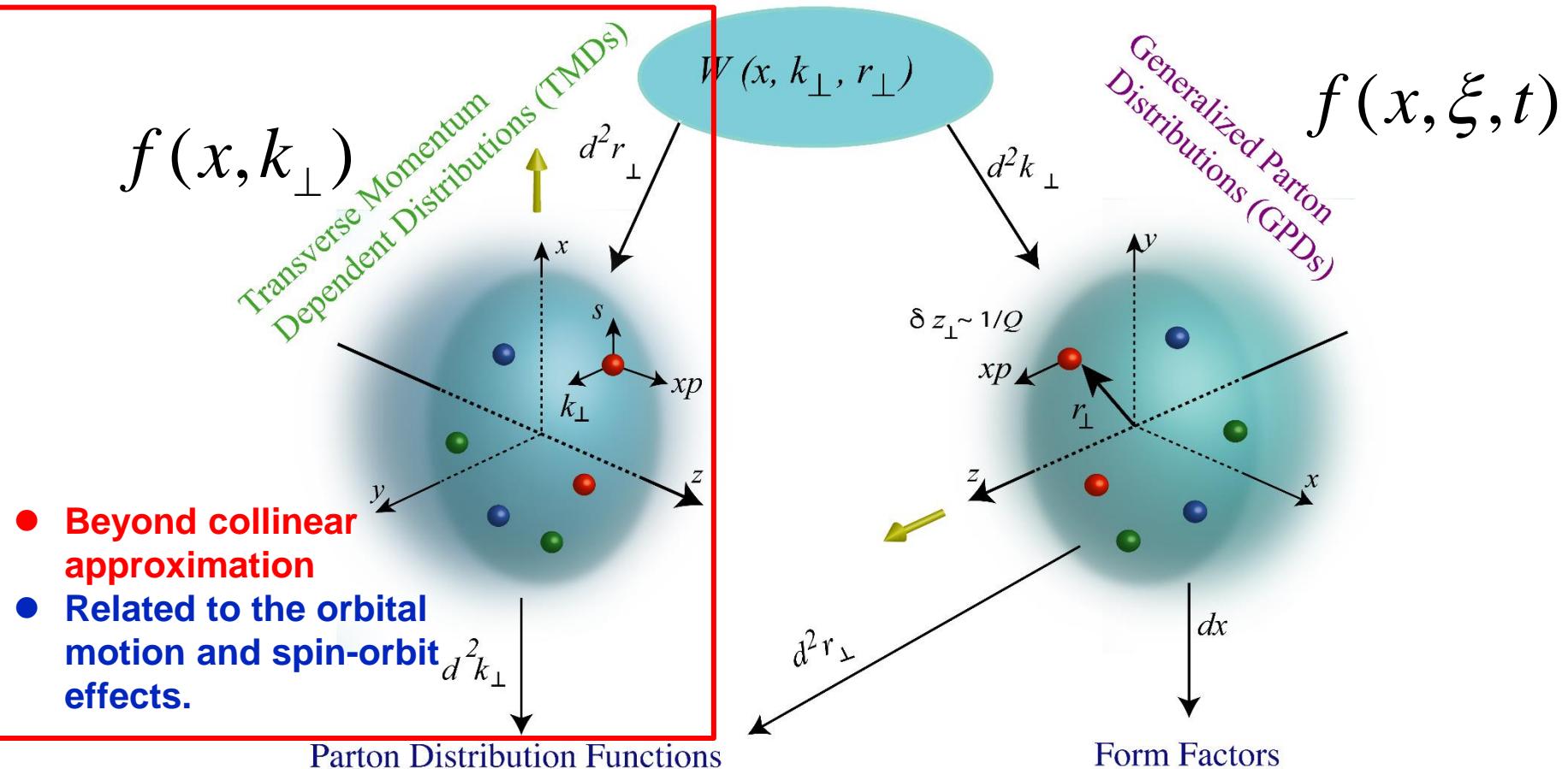
Factorization of Hard Processes



$$\sigma_{proton}(x, Q^2) \sim \textcolor{red}{PDF_{nucleon}}(x, Q^2) \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{hard}(Q^2)$$

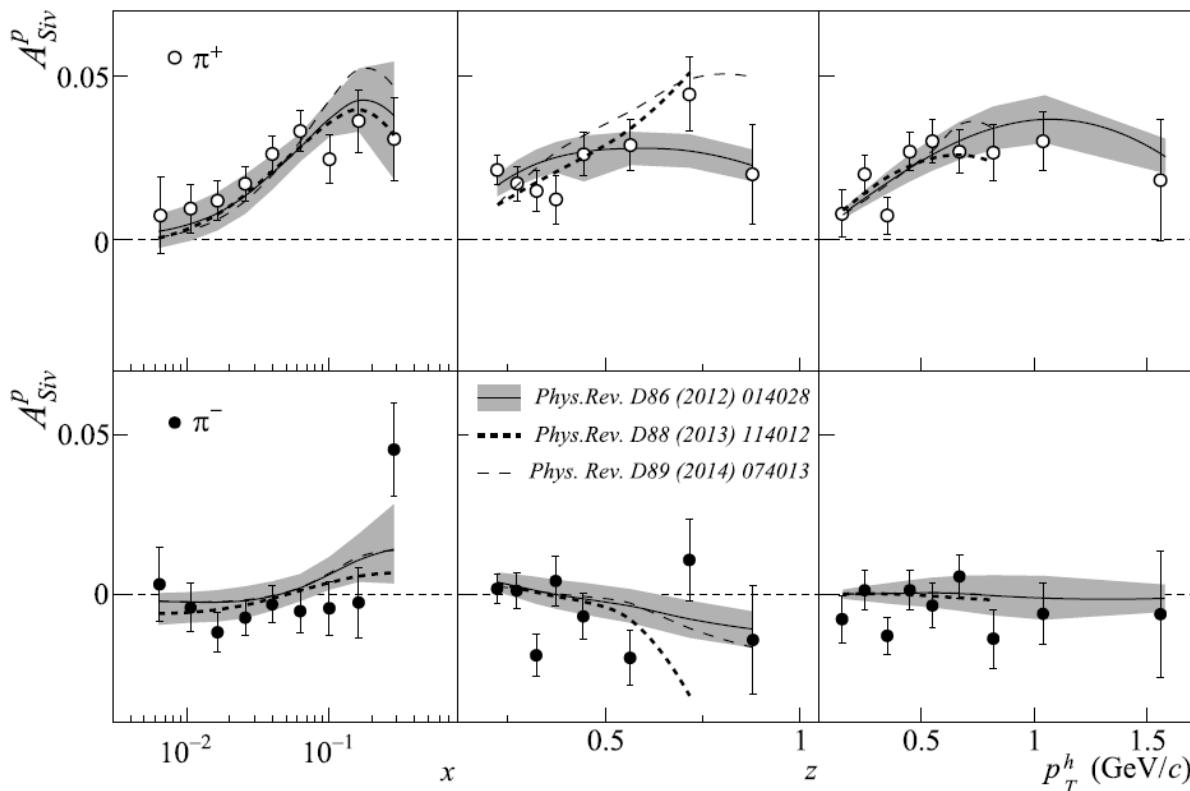
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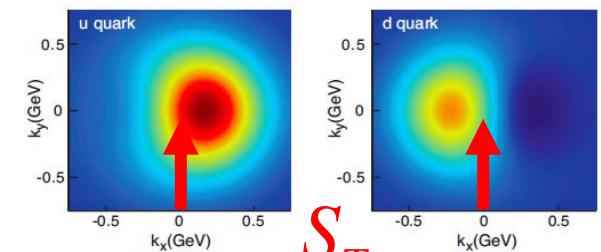


Nonzero Sivers Asymmetries from SIDIS

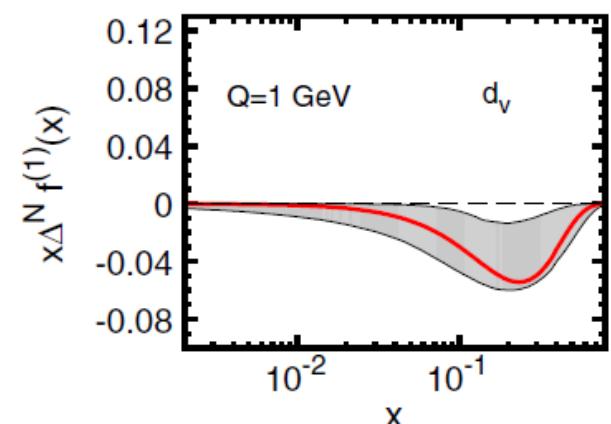
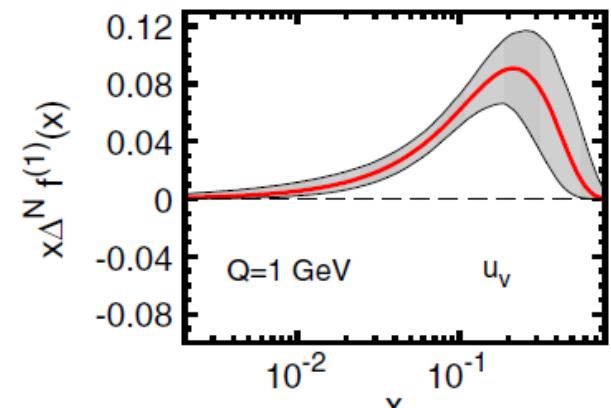
COMPASS, PLB 744 (2015) 250



SIDIS $\gamma^*(q^2 < 0)p_\uparrow \rightarrow hX$



S_T
Sivers Functions



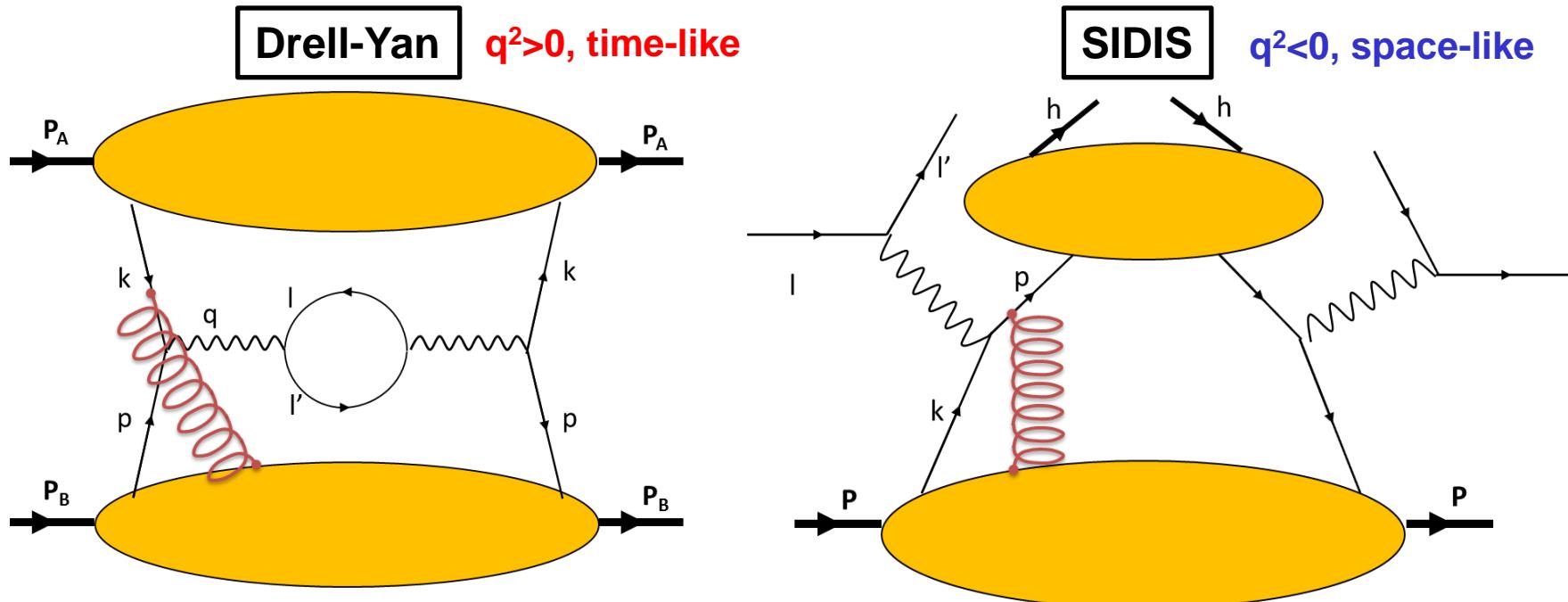
Non-Universality of Sivers Function

J.C. Collins, Phys. Lett. B 536 (2002) 43

A.V. Belitsky, X. Ji, F. Yuan, Nucl. Phys. B 656 (2003) 165

D. Boer, P.J. Mulders, F. Pijlman, Nucl. Phys. B 667 (2003) 201

Z.B. Kang, J.W. Qiu, Phys. Rev. Lett. 103 (2009) 172001



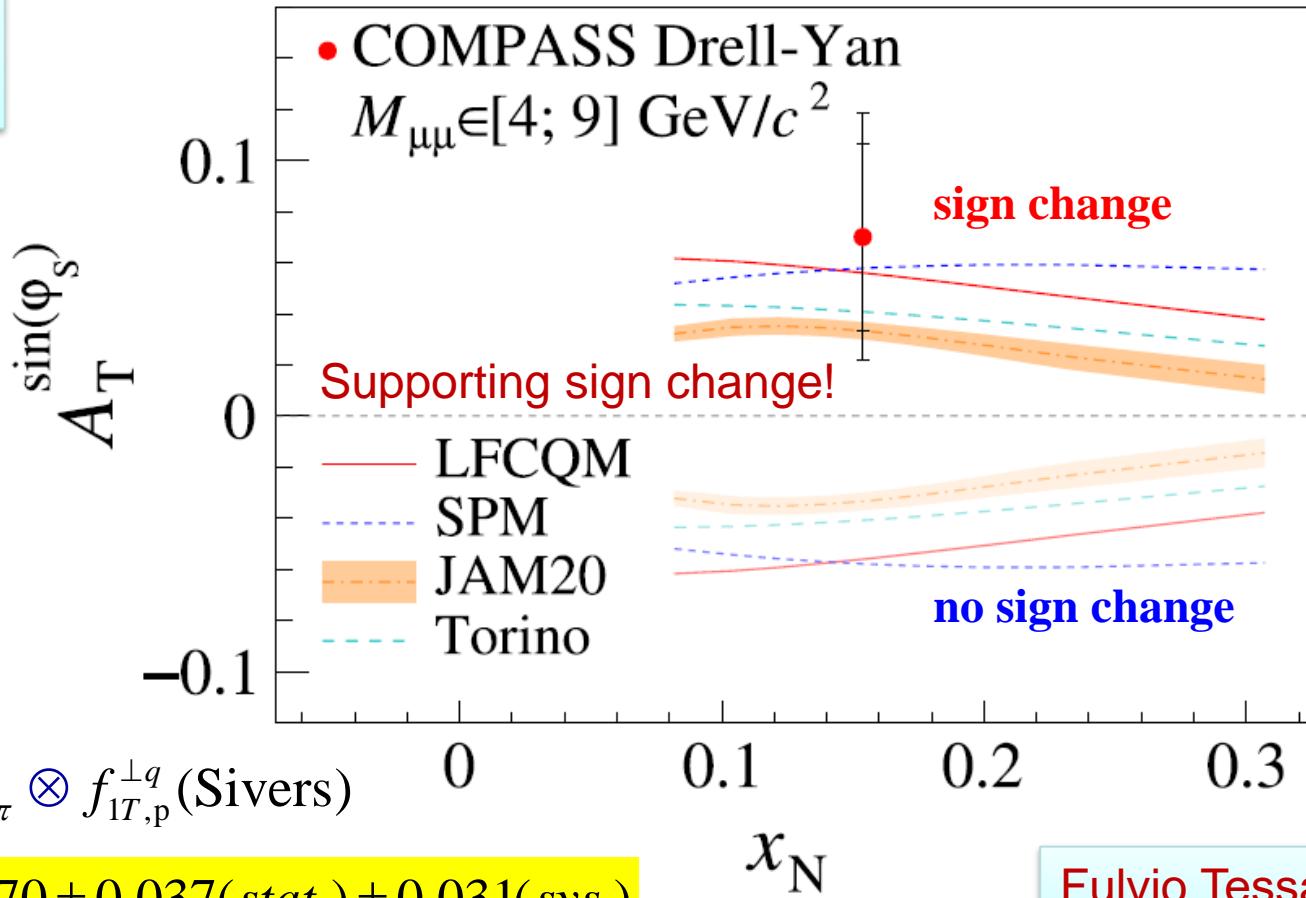
$$hp_\uparrow \rightarrow \gamma^*(q^2 > 0)X \quad \boxed{\text{Sivers } |_{DY} = -\text{Sivers } |_{SIDIS}} \quad \gamma^*(q^2 < 0)p_\uparrow \rightarrow hX$$

- QCD gluon gauge link (Wilson line) in the initial state (DY) vs. final state interactions (SIDIS).
- **Fundamental predictions from TMD physics will be tested.**

Sivers in Polarized Drell-Yan

Statistics:
2015: 35K
2018: 37K

COMPASS, PRL 133, 071902 (2024)

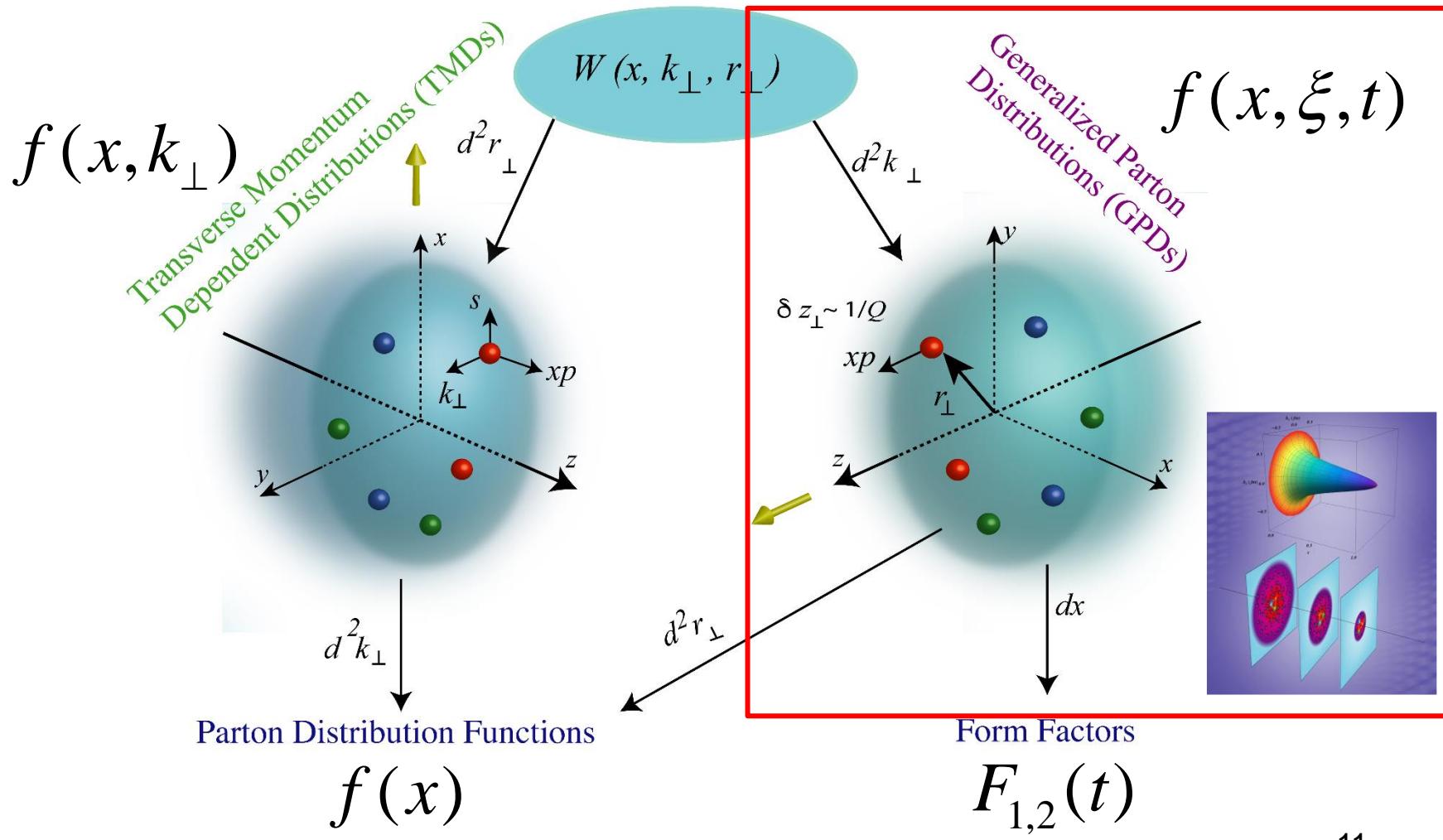


Fulvio Tessarotto's talk

Agreeing with the sign-change of Sivers function!

Multi-dimensional Partonic Structures

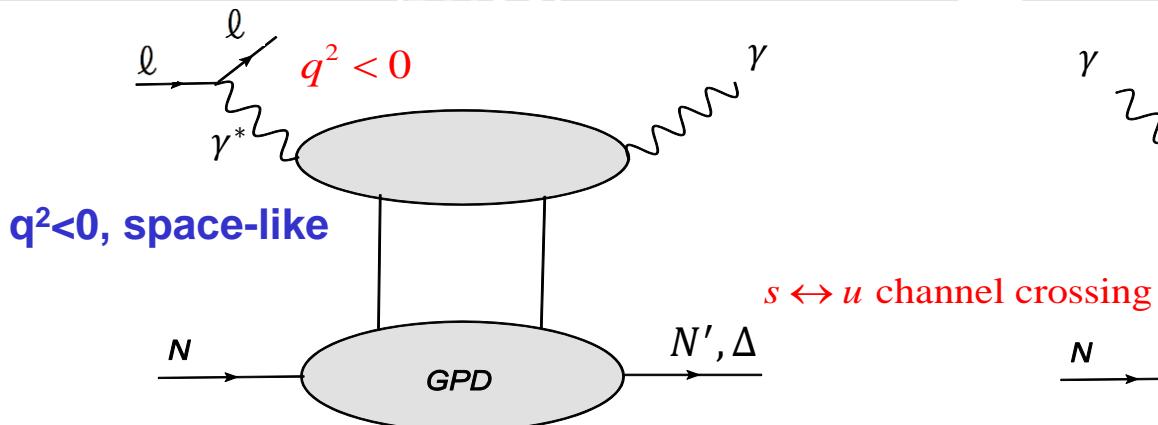
Wigner Distributions



Experimental Approach

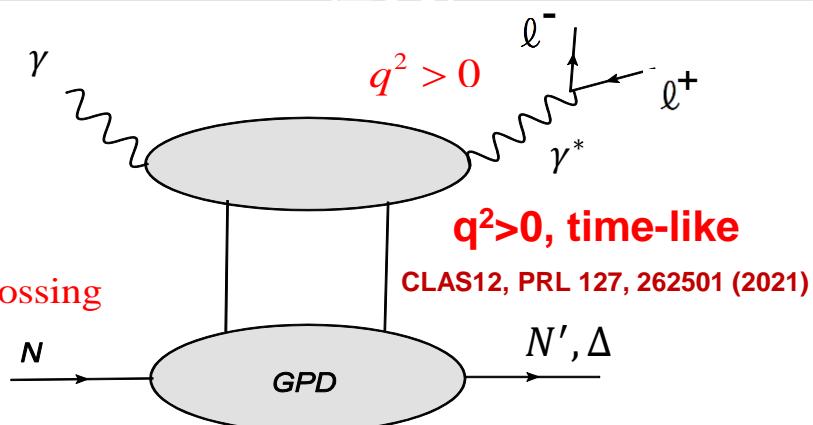
Muller et al., PRD 86 031502(R) (2012)

Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering



Ji, PRL 78, 610 (1997); Radyushkin, PLB 380, 417 (1996)

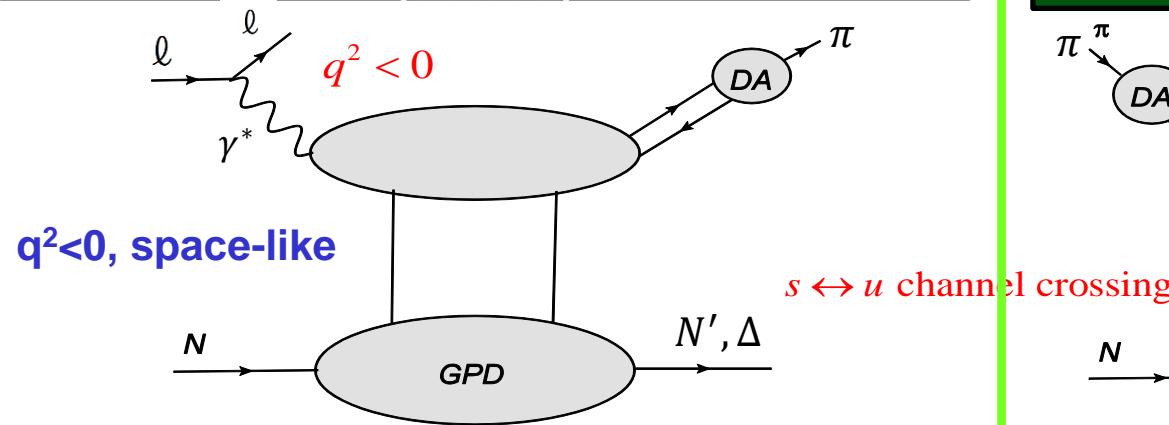
Time-like Compton Scattering



$q^2 > 0$, time-like
CLAS12, PRL 127, 262501 (2021)

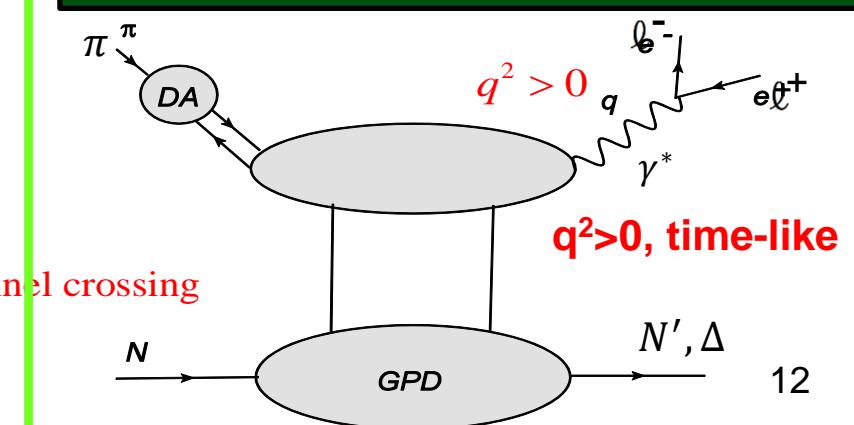
Berger, Diehl, and Pire, EPJC 23, 675 (2002)

Deeply Virtual Meson Production



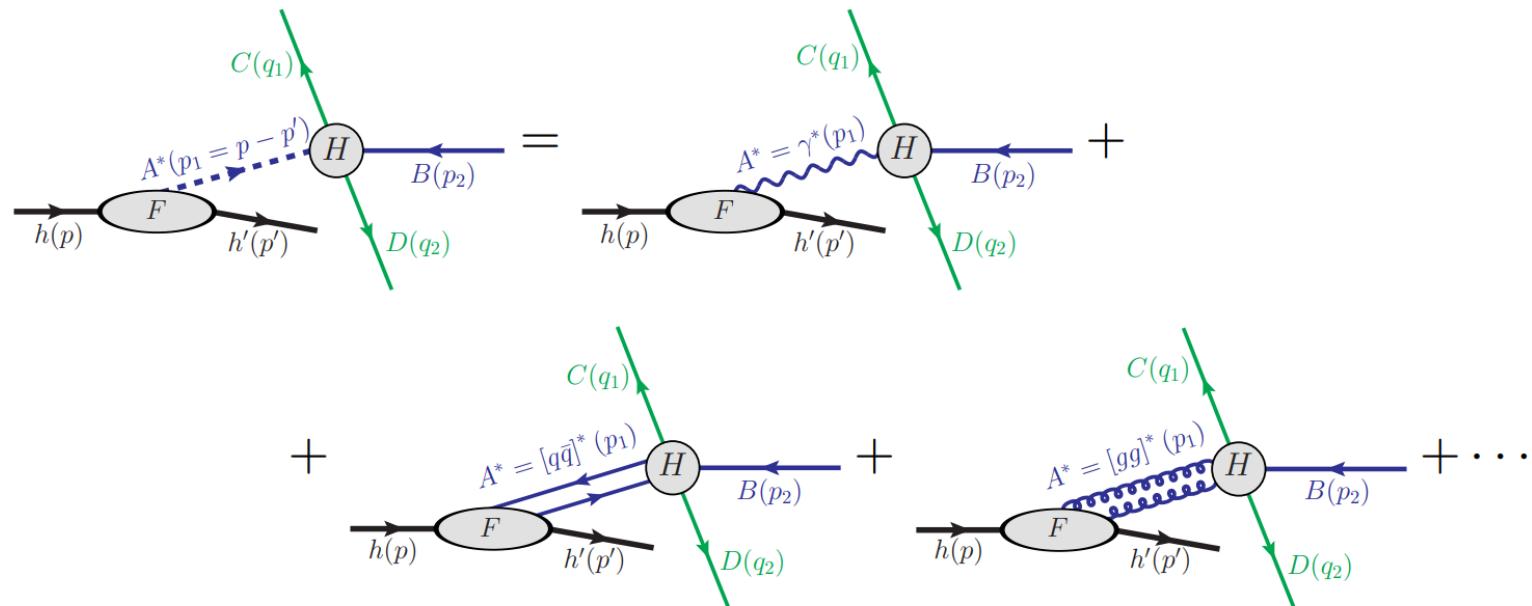
Collins, Frankfurt and Strikman, PRD 56, 2982 (1997)

Exclusive meson-induced DY



Single Diffractive Hard 2-to-3 Processes

$$B(p_2) + h(p) \rightarrow C(q_1) + D(q_2) + h'(p')$$



The x -dependence of GPDs can be extracted in these processes!

Jian-Wei Qiu and Zhite Yu

JHEP 08 (2022) 103; PRD 107 (2023) 014007; PRL 131 (2023) 161902

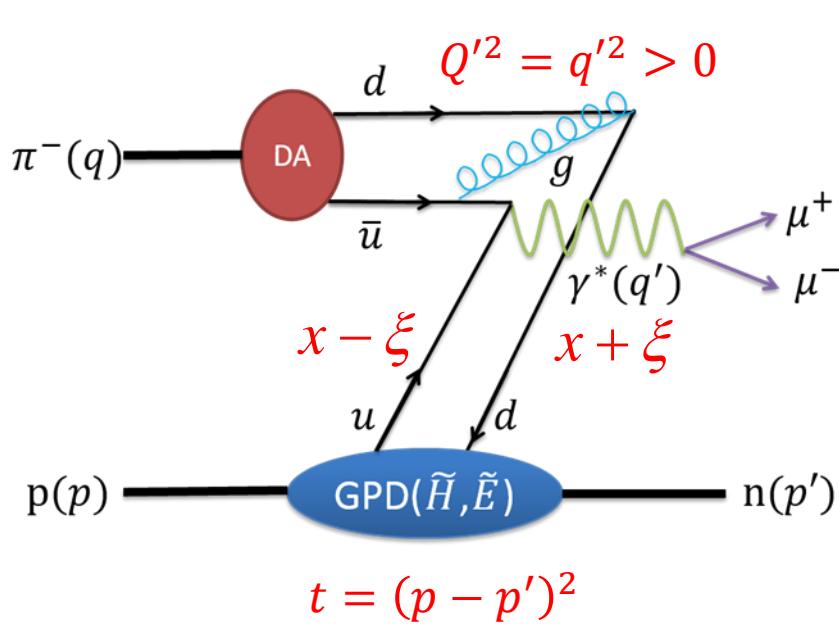
Single Diffractive Hard 2-to-3 Process

$$B(p_2) + h(p) \rightarrow C(q_1) + D(q_2) + h'(p')$$

B	h	C	D	Process
γ^*	N	γ		DVCS
γ^*	N	$\pi, \phi, J/\psi$		DVMP
γ	N	l^+	l^-	TCS
γ	N	γ	$\pi, \phi, J/\psi$	
γ	N	γ	γ	
γ	N	$\pi, \phi, J/\psi$	$\pi, \phi, J/\psi$	
π	N	l^+	l^-	Exclusive Drell-Yan
π	N	γ	$\pi, \phi, J/\psi$	
π	N	γ	γ	
π	N	γ	$\pi, \phi, J/\psi$	
N	N	meson	Baryon	S. Kumano et al., PRD 80 (2009) 074003

$\pi N \rightarrow l^+ l^- N$ (handbag diagram)

E.R. Berger, M. Diehl, B. Pire, PLB 523 (2001) 265



$$\tau = \frac{Q'^2}{2pq} \approx \frac{Q'^2}{s - M_N^2} \quad \xi = \frac{(p - p')^+}{(p + p')^+} = \frac{\tau}{2 - \tau}$$

$$\tilde{x} = -\frac{(q + q')^2}{2(p + p') \cdot (q + q')} \approx -\frac{Q'^2}{2s - Q'^2} = -\xi$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} & \frac{d\sigma}{dQ'^2 dt d(\cos\theta) d\varphi} \\ &= \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{256\pi^3} \frac{\tau^2}{Q'^6} \sum_{\lambda', \lambda} |M^{0\lambda', \lambda}|^2 \sin^2 \theta, \end{aligned}}$$

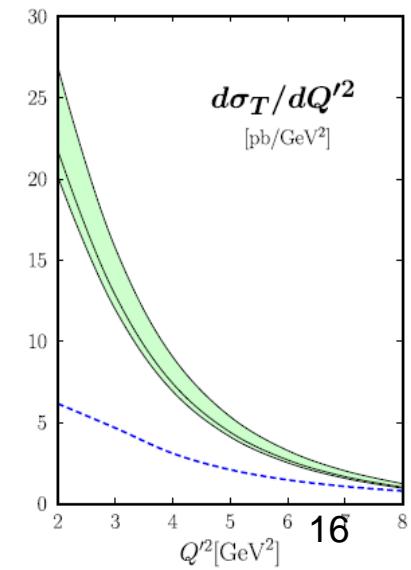
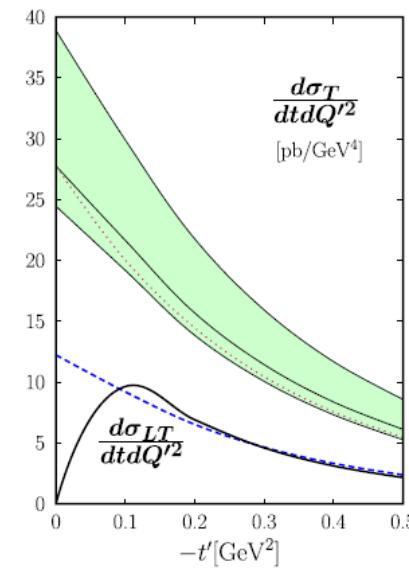
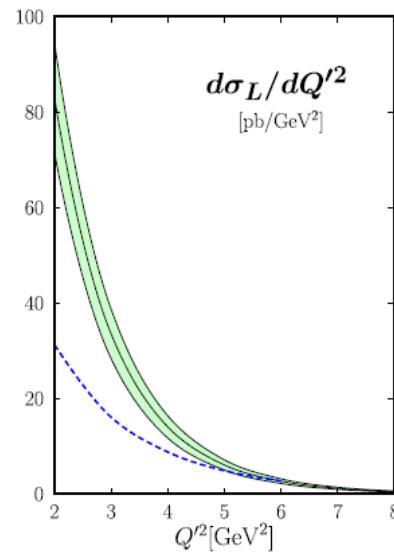
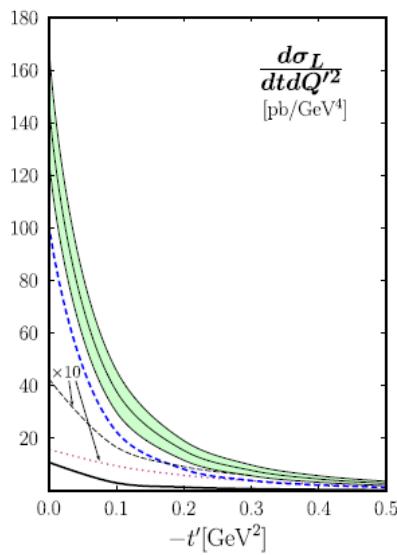
$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt dQ'^2} \right|_\tau &= \frac{4\pi\alpha_{\text{em}}^2}{27} \frac{\tau^2}{Q'^8} f_\pi^2 \left[(1 - \xi^2) |\tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{du}(\tilde{x}, \xi, t)|^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 2\xi^2 \text{Re} (\tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{du}(\tilde{x}, \xi, t)^* \tilde{\mathcal{E}}^{du}(\tilde{x}, \xi, t)) - \xi^2 \frac{t}{4m_N^2} |\tilde{\mathcal{E}}^{du}(\tilde{x}, \xi, t)|^2 \right], \end{aligned}}$$

Beyond the Leading Twist

[S.V. Goloskokov, P. Kroll, PLB 748 \(2015\) 323](#)

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d\sigma}{dt dQ'^2 d \cos \theta d\varphi} \\ &= \frac{3}{8\pi} \left(\sin^2 \theta \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt dQ'^2} + \frac{1 + \cos^2 \theta}{2} \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt dQ'^2} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{\sin 2\theta \cos \varphi}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt dQ'^2} + \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\varphi \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt dQ'^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Transversity GPDs: H_T , \bar{E}_T



J-PARC Facility (KEK/JAEA)

South → North

Experimental Areas

Neutrino Beams
(to Kamioka) ←

3 GeV
Synchrotron

30 GeV Synchrotron

Materials and Life
Experimental Facility

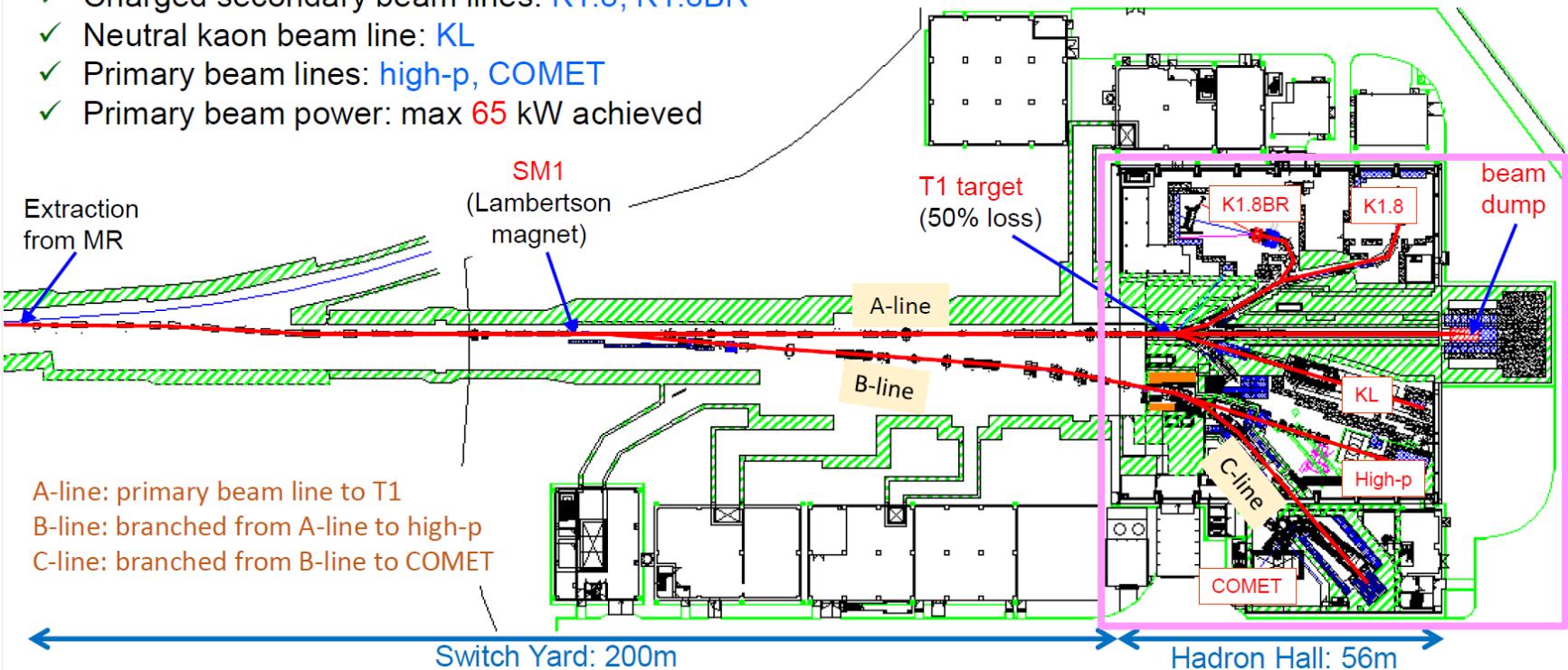
- JFY2007 Beams
- JFY2008 Beams
- JFY2009 Beams

Hadron Exp.
Facility

Bird's eye photo in January of 2008

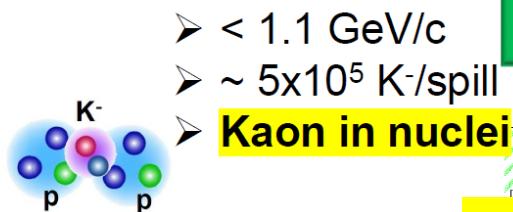
J-PARC Hadron Hall (Current Status)

- ✓ Only one production target: **T1**
- ✓ Charged secondary beam lines: **K1.8, K1.8BR**
- ✓ Neutral kaon beam line: **KL**
- ✓ Primary beam lines: **high-p, COMET**
- ✓ Primary beam power: max **65 kW** achieved



J-PARC Hadron Hall (Current Status)

Current Hadron Facility



- Au Target
➤ Indirectly cooled
➤ max 95 kW (5.2s)
➤ 65kW achieved

T1 target

primary
proton
beams

B-line

K1.8BR

K1.8

KL

high-p

COMET

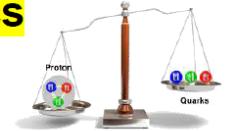
- < 2.0 GeV/c
➤ ~ 10^6 K-/spill
➤ **S=-1 and S=-2 hypernuclei**

- 16 deg extraction
➤ ~ 2.1 GeV/c ~ 10^7 K_L^0 /spill
➤ $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \bar{\nu} \nu$



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- 30 GeV proton ~ 10^{10}
➤ **Hadron physics**



μ^- beam

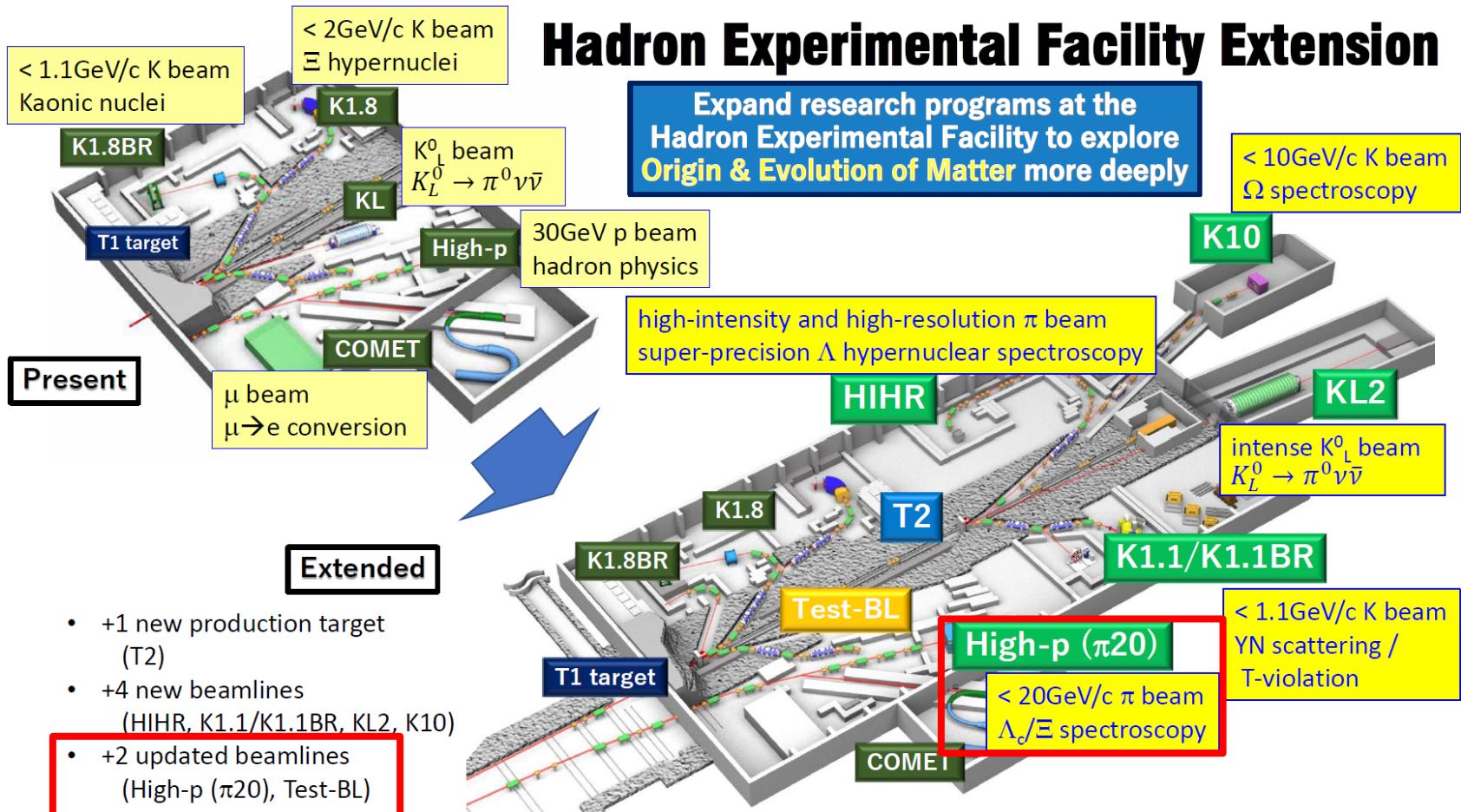
➤ μ -e conversion



First beam in Feb 2023!!

Hadron Hall Extension

Hadron extension project was selected as the top priority in the KEK mid-term plan (KEK-PIP2022)!



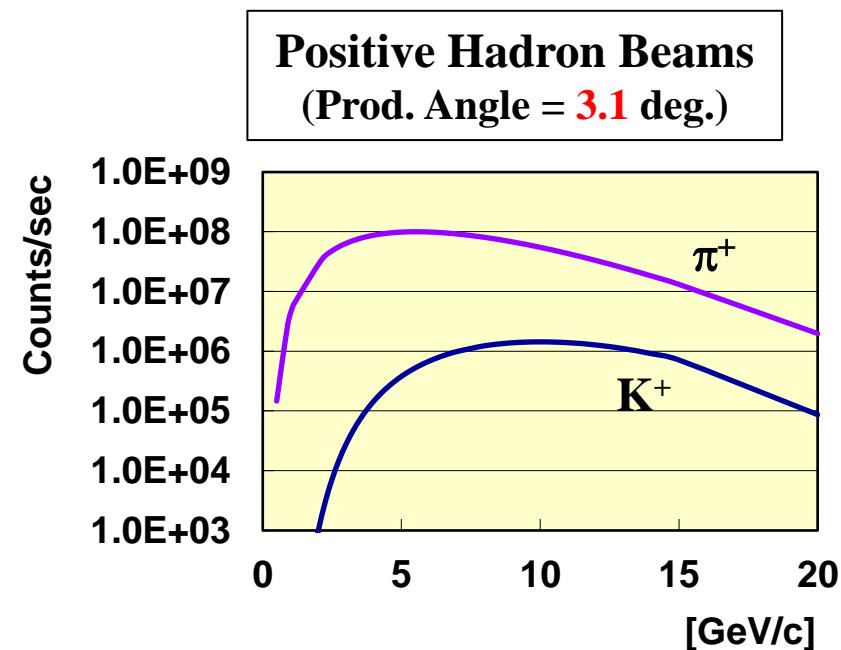
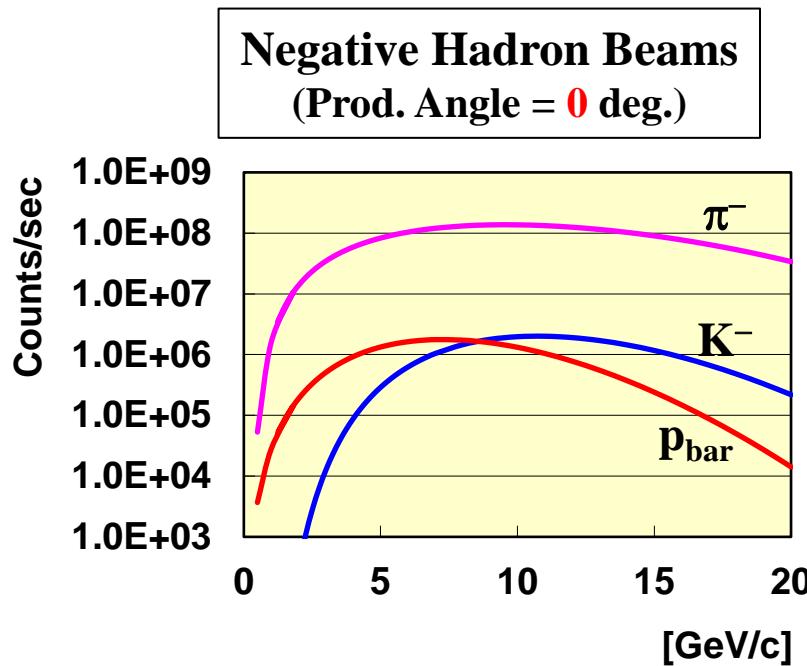
<https://www.rcnp.osaka-u.ac.jp/~jparchua/en/hefextension.html>

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.04462>

Hadron Experimental Facility

π^{20} Beam Line

- High-intensity secondary pion beam
- High-resolution beam: $\Delta p/p \sim 0.1\%$



* Sanford-Wang: 15 kW Loss on Pt, Acceptance : $1.5 \text{ msr}\%$, 133.2 m

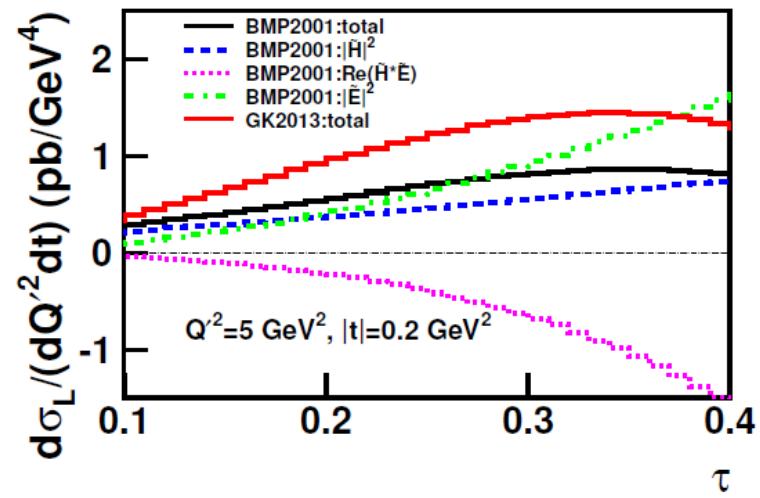
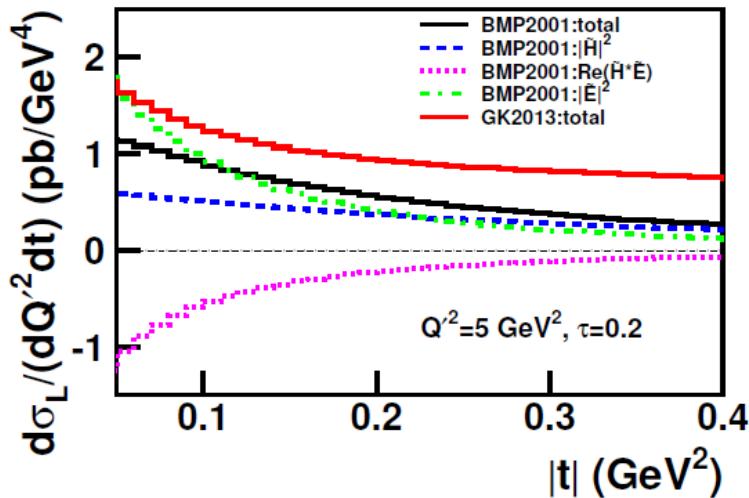
Differential Cross Sections of $\pi N \rightarrow l^+ l^- N$

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at $\tau = \frac{Q'^2}{2pq} \approx \frac{Q'^2}{s - M_N^2} = 0.2$

$$Q'^2 = q'^2 = 5 \text{ GeV}^2$$

at $t = (p - p')^2 = -0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$



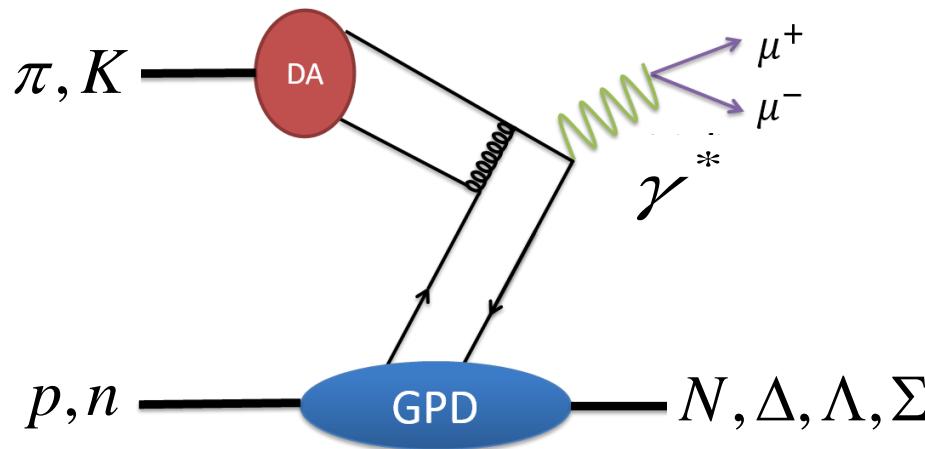
Production is dominant at forward angles

Cross sections increase toward small s (\rightarrow low beam energy)

Transition GPDs

“Transition GPD”: L. L. Frankfurt et al., PRD 60, 014010 (1999)

- $\pi^- p \rightarrow \gamma^* n$
 - $\pi^- p \rightarrow \gamma^* \Delta^0$
 - $\pi^- n \rightarrow \gamma^* \Delta^-$
 - $\pi^+ n \rightarrow \gamma^* p$
 - $\pi^+ p \rightarrow \gamma^* \Delta^{++}$
 - $\pi^+ n \rightarrow \gamma^* \Delta^+$
 - $K^- p \rightarrow \gamma^* \Lambda$
 - $K^- p \rightarrow \gamma^* \Lambda(1405)$
 - $K^- p \rightarrow \gamma^* \Lambda(1520)$
 - $K^- n \rightarrow \gamma^* \Sigma^-$
 - $K^+ n \rightarrow \gamma^* \Theta^+$
- J-PRAC Hadron Hall Extension



Exclusive Drell-Yan Measurement

- **Factorization:** $Q^2 \gg 1 \text{ GeV}^2$
- **Cross sections:**
 - Cross sections decrease rapidly with an increase of Q^2 .
 $Q^2 < 9 \text{ GeV}^2$
 - \sqrt{s} should be small enough to keep $\sqrt{\tau} = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{s}} = \sqrt{x_\pi x_N}$ large enough. Take $Q = 2 \text{ GeV}$, $\sqrt{\tau} = \sqrt{0.5 * 0.3} = 0.39$, $\sqrt{s} = 5 \text{ GeV}$, pion beam momentum should be less than 15 GeV.
- **Exclusivity:** missing-mass technique
 - Good resolution for missing mass
 - Open aperture without the hadron absorber before measuring the momentum of lepton tracks
 - Reasonably low track multiplicity

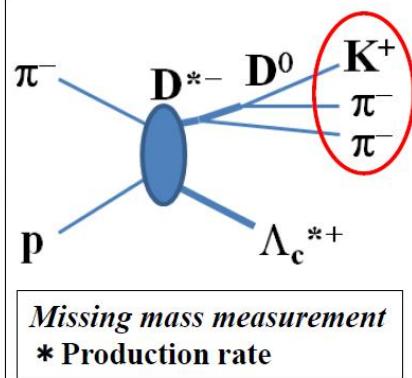
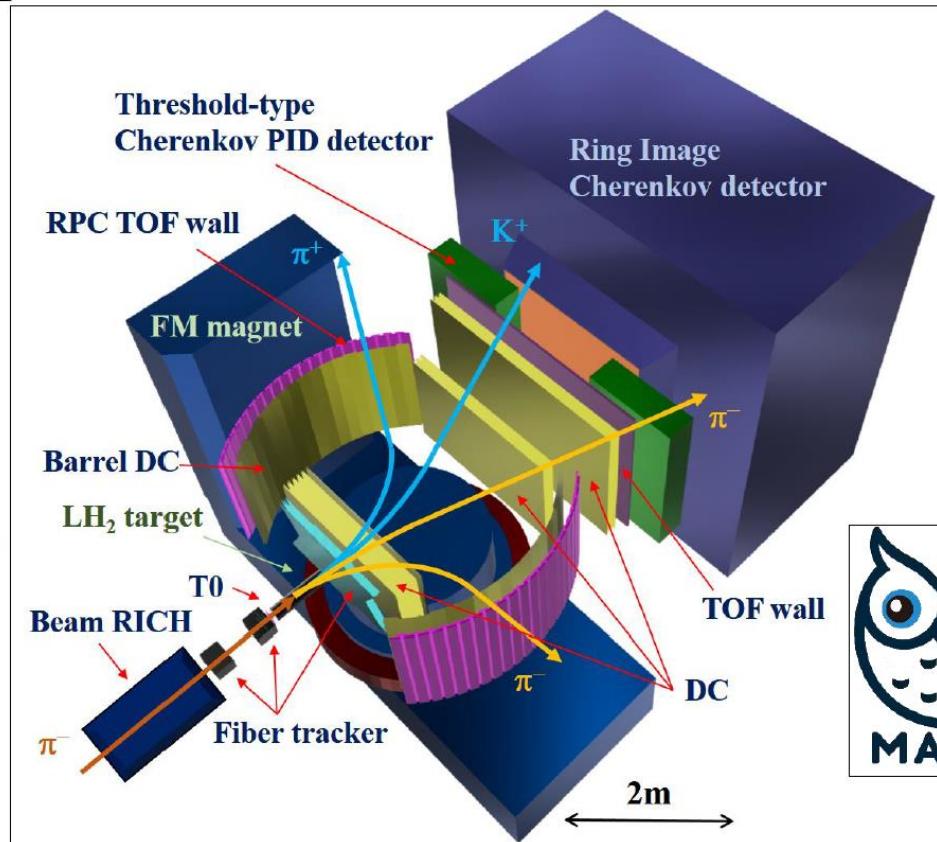
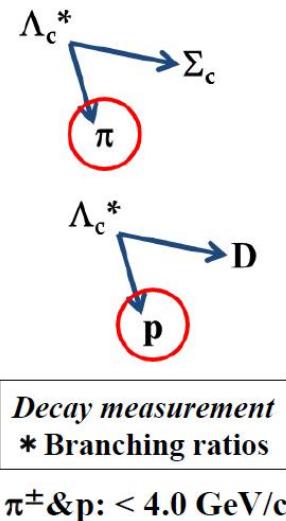
The 10-20 GeV π^- beam planned in high-momentum beam line at J-PARC ($\sqrt{s} = 4 - 6 \text{ GeV}$) is most appropriate!

J-PARC E50/MARQ Experiment

(Charmed Baryon Spectroscopy)

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MARQ spectrometer



$K^+ \& \pi^-$: 2–16 GeV/c
Slow π_s^- : 0.5–1.7 GeV/c

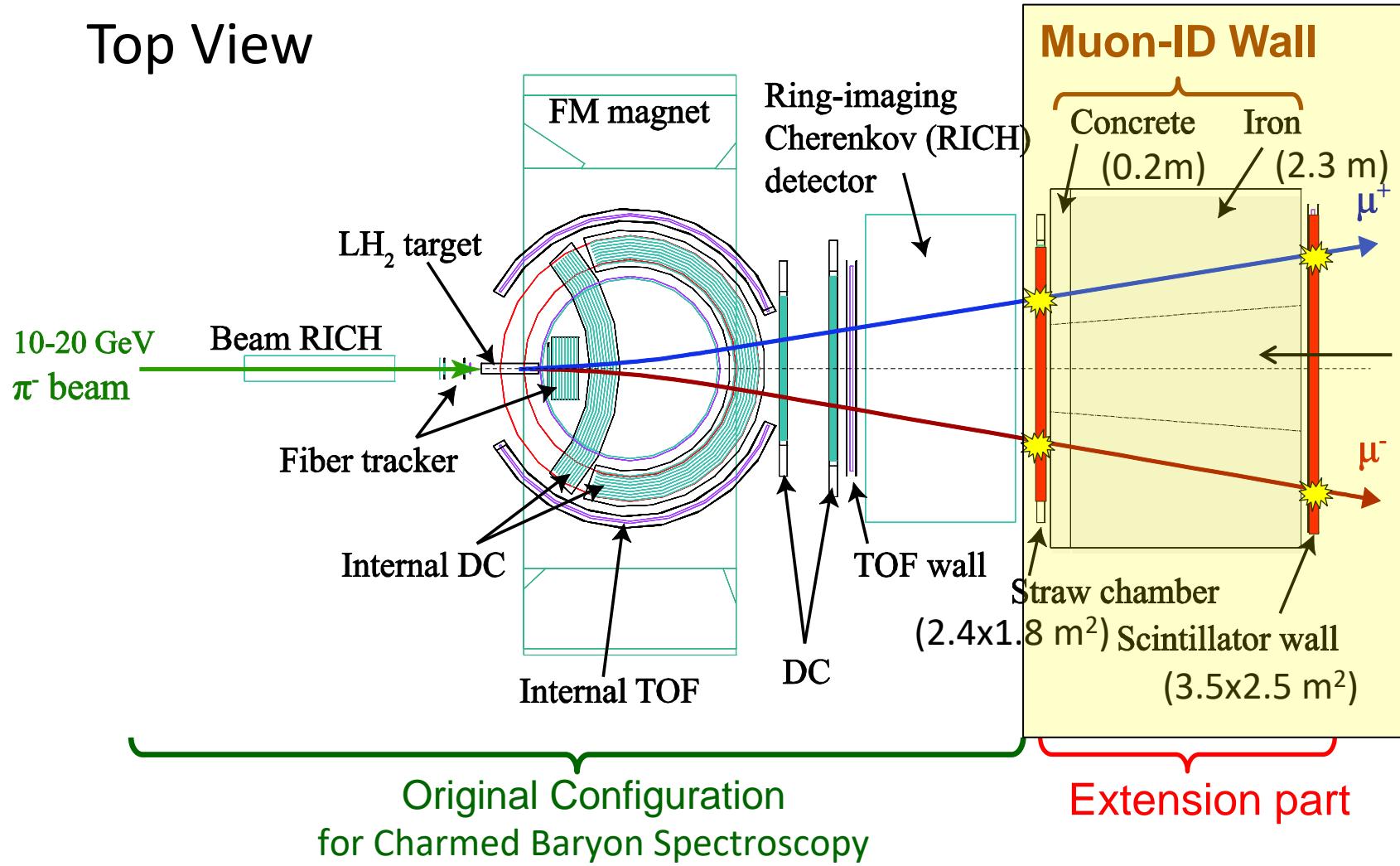


Large acceptance, PID, good momentum resolution

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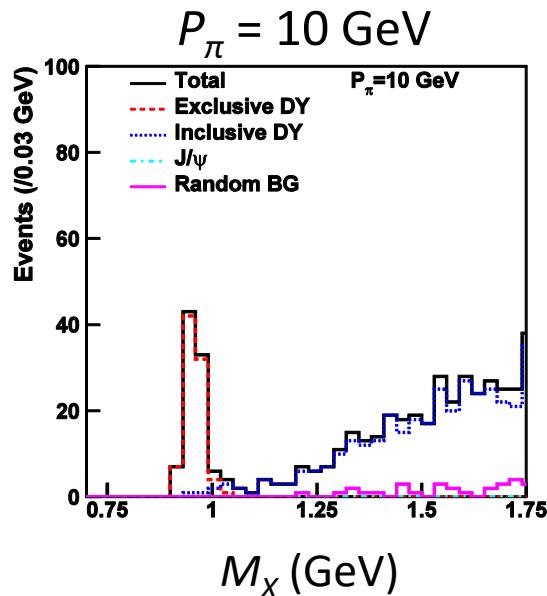
Extension of J-PARC E50 Experiment for Drell-Yan measurement

Top View

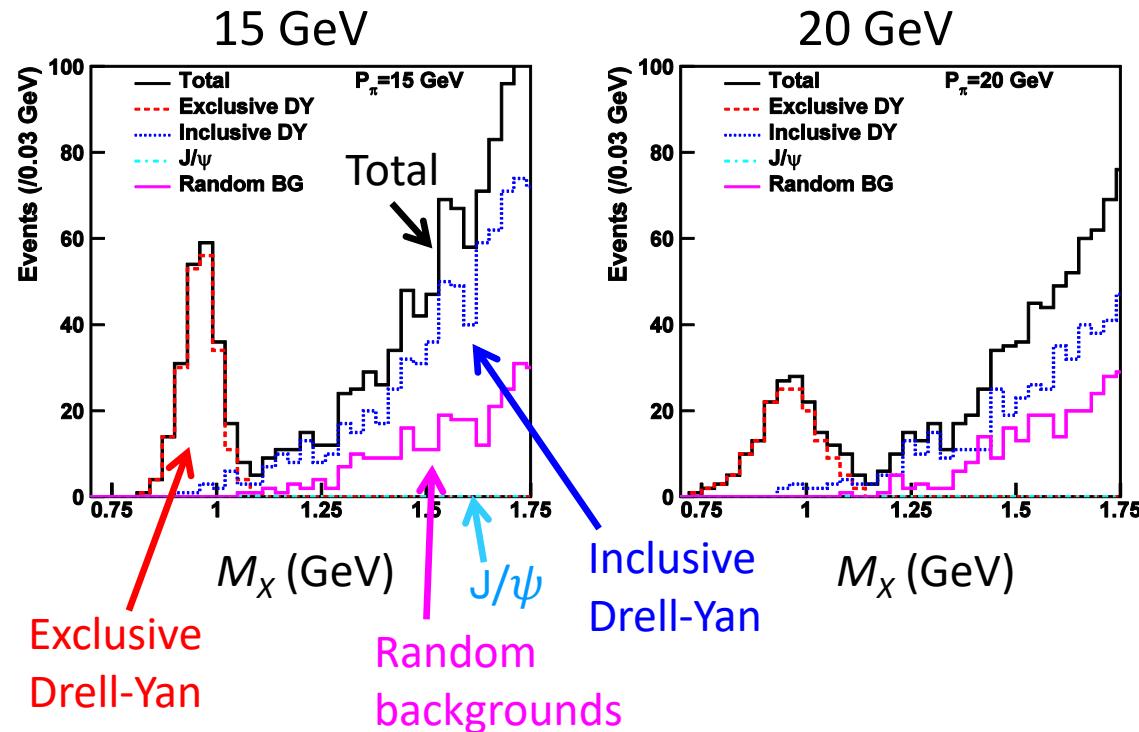


$\pi^- N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$ Missing-mass M_X

π^- Beam Momentum



Takahiro Sawada, Wen-Chen Chang, Shunzo Kumano, Jen-Chieh Peng,
Shinya Sawada, Kazuhiro Tanaka, PRD 93 (2016) 114034

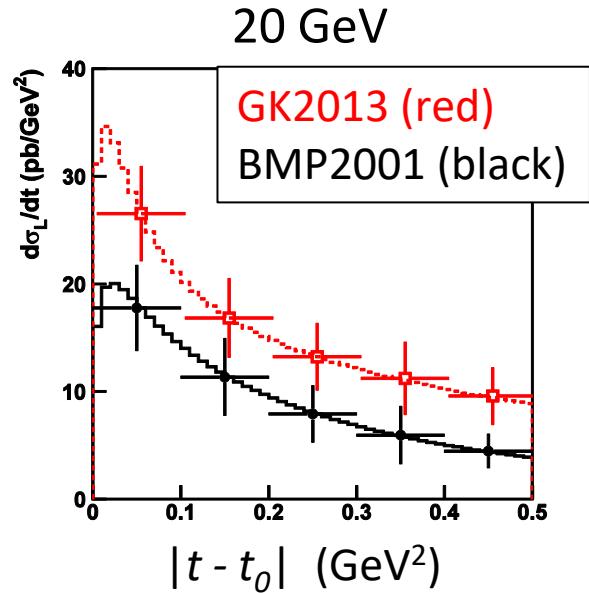
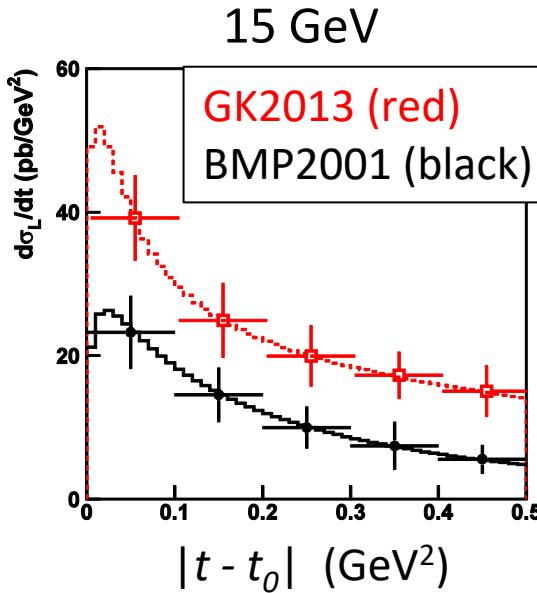
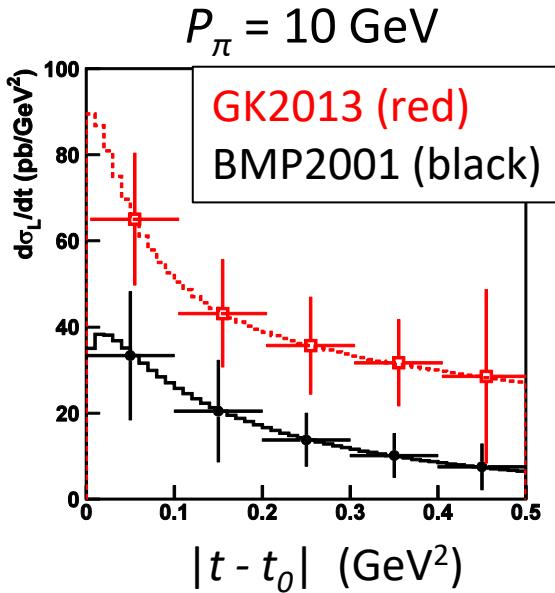


- Data Taking: 50 days
- $1.5 < M_{\mu^+\mu^-} < 2.9$ GeV
- $|t - t_0| < 0.5$ GeV 2
- “GK2013” GPDs

The exclusive Drell-Yan events could be identified by the signature peak at the nucleon mass in the missing-mass spectrum for all three pion beam momenta.

Sensitivity to N GPDs

π^- Beam Momentum

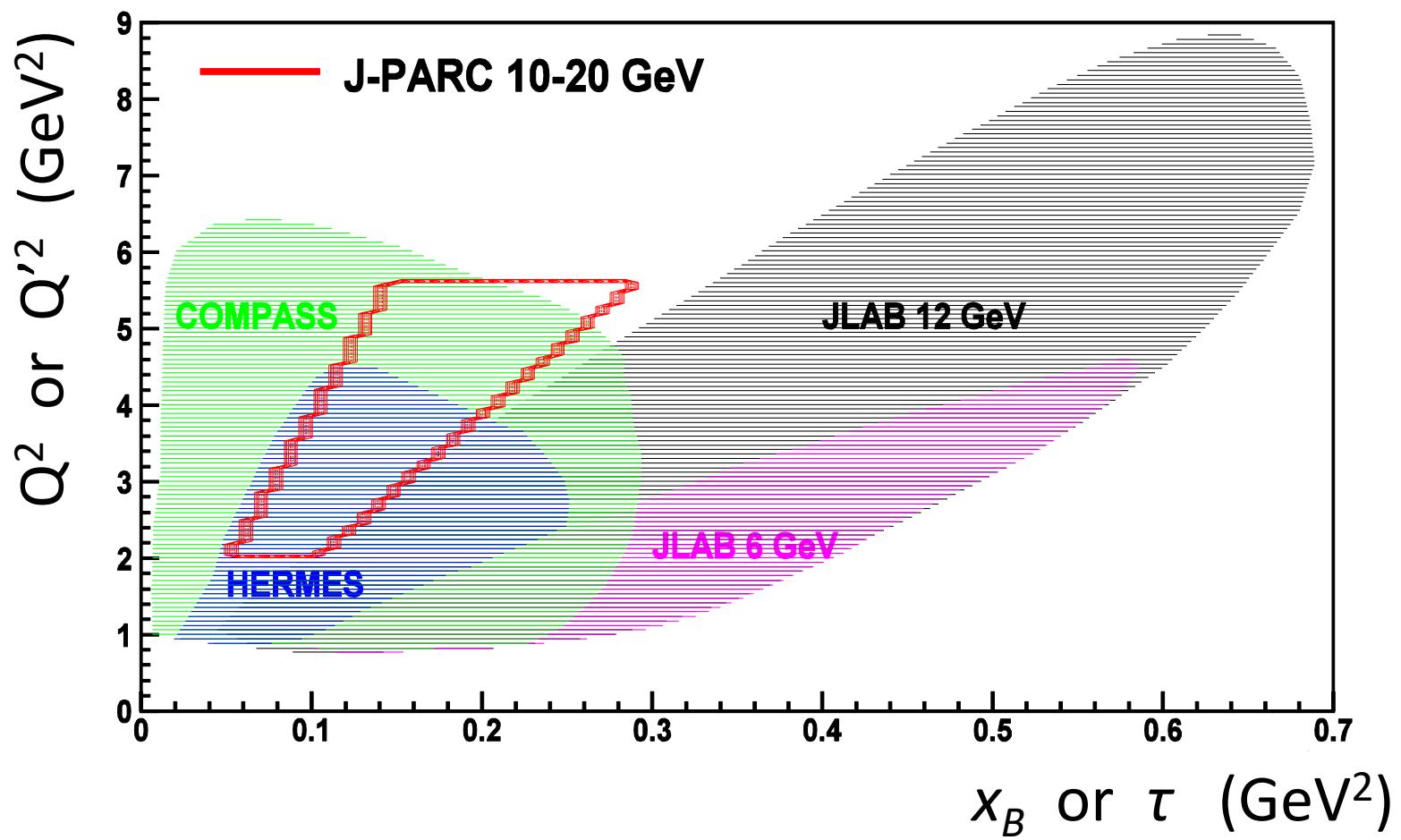


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The statistics sensitivity is good enough for discriminating the predictions from two current GPD models.

Takahiro Sawada, Wen-Chen Chang, Shunzo Kumano, Jen-Chieh Peng,
Shinya Sawada, Kazuhiro Tanaka, PRD 93 (2016) 114034

Universality of GPDs

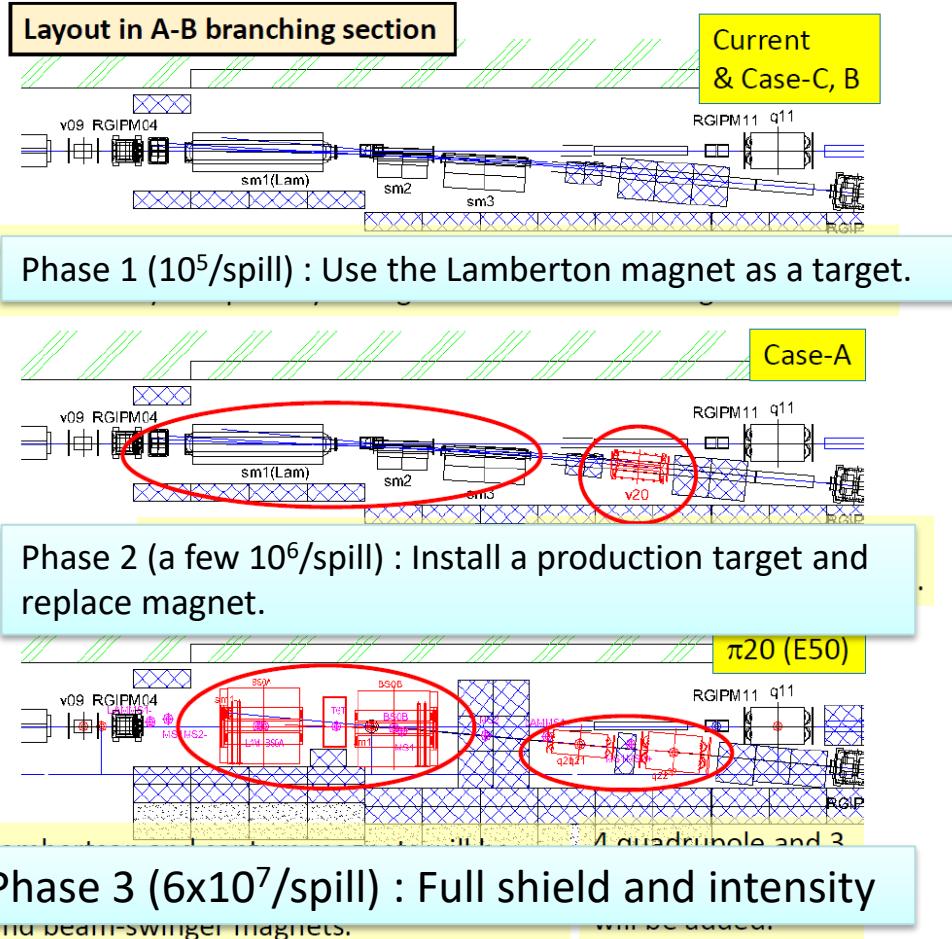


- JLAB, HERMES, COMPASS → Space-like approach
- J-PARC → Time-like approach

Staging Plan of π 20 Beamlne

Toward π 20

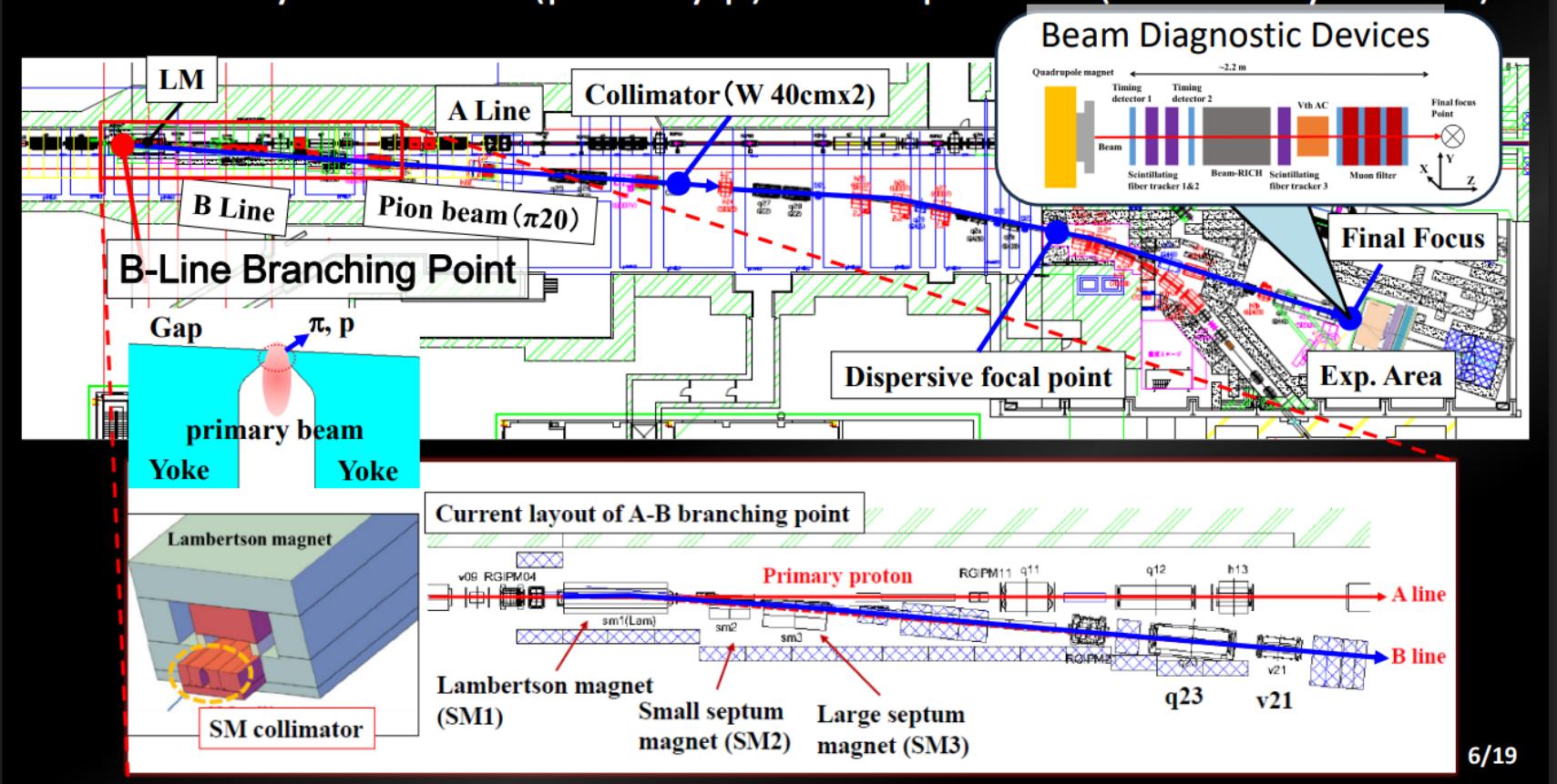
- Use of secondary beams in B-Line was proposed in PAC.
 - Secondary-beam production by minimum modification of current B-line.
 - Only uses beam loss at Lambertson magnet (< 420W) for secondary-particle production.
 - Needs polarity-change devices to deliver negatively charged beam (Case-B), and an additional steering magnet to improve beam intensity and profile (Case-A).
- Under discussion by users, beam-line group, radiation-control group, and KEK/J-PARC directorates.



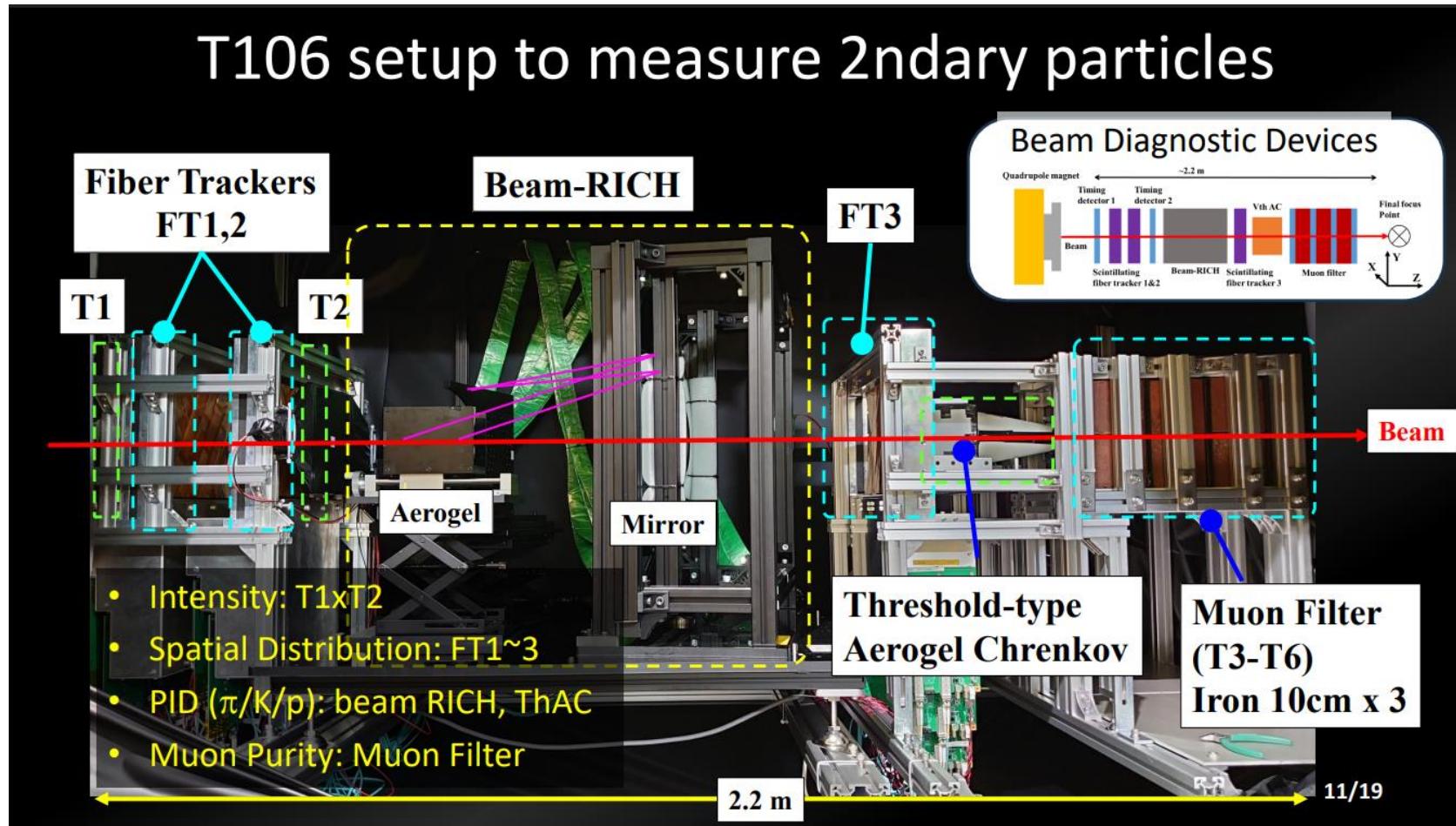
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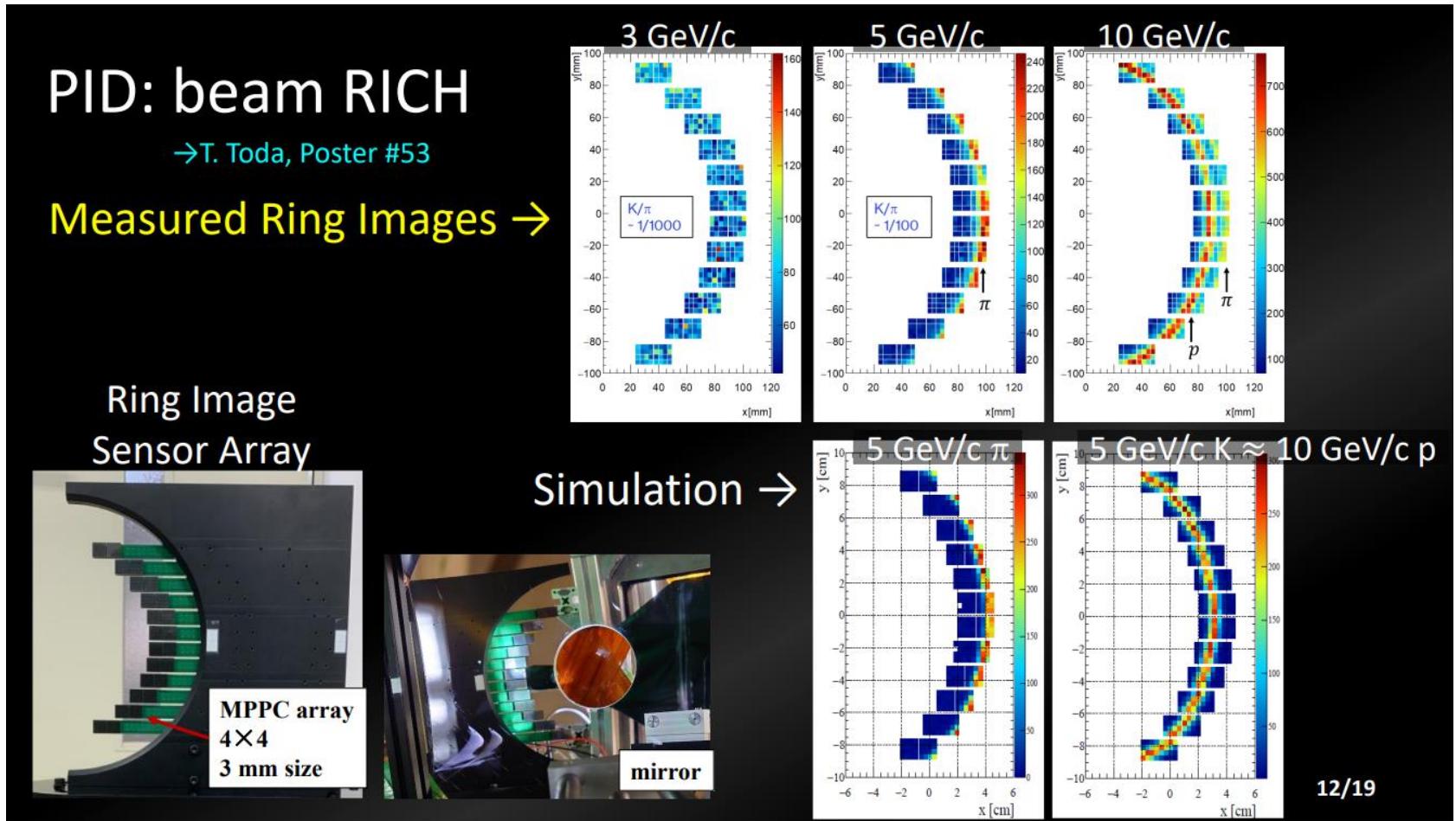
Current Layout: B Line (primary p) & π^{20} -phase 1 (secondary beams)



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GPDs with Proton Beams

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Novel two-to-three hard hadronic processes and possible studies of generalized parton distributions at hadron facilities

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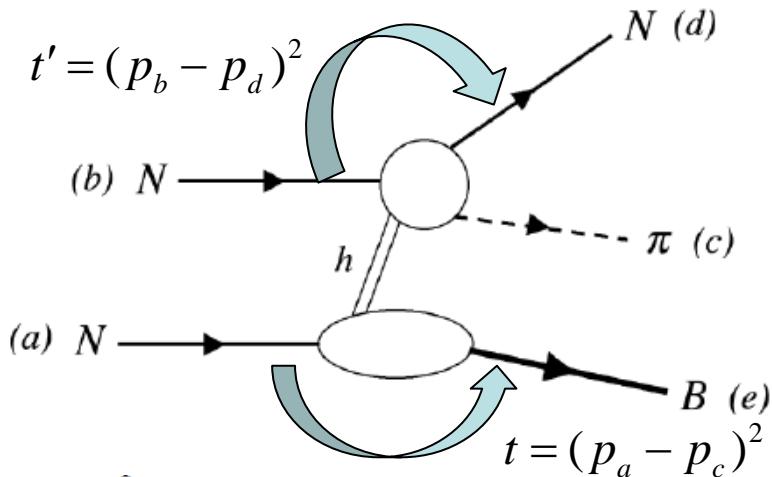
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We consider a novel class of hard branching hadronic processes $a + b \rightarrow c + d + e$, where hadrons c and d have large and nearly opposite transverse momenta and large invariant energy, which is a finite fraction of the total invariant energy. We use color transparency logic to argue that these processes can be used to study quark generalized parton distributions (GPDs) for baryons and mesons in hadron collisions, hence complementing and adding to the studies of GPDs in the exclusive deep inelastic scattering processes. We propose that a number of GPDs can be investigated in hadron facilities such as Japan Proton Accelerator Research Complex facility and Gesellschaft für Schwerionenforschung -Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research project. In this work, the GPDs for the nucleon and for the $N \rightarrow \Delta$ transition are studied in the reaction $N + N \rightarrow N + \pi + B$, where N , π , and B are a nucleon, a pion, and a baryon (nucleon or Δ), respectively, with a large momentum transfer between B (or π) and the incident nucleon. In particular, the Efremov-Radyushkin-Brodsky-Lepage region of the GPDs can be measured in such exclusive reactions. We estimate the cross section of the processes $N + N \rightarrow N + \pi + B$ by using current models for relevant GPDs and information about large angle πN reactions. We find that it will be feasible to measure these cross sections at the high-energy hadron facilities and to get novel information about the nucleon structure, for example, contributions of quark orbital angular momenta to the nucleon spin. The studies of $N \rightarrow \Delta$ transition GPDs could be valuable also for investigating electromagnetic properties of the transition.

$$N + N \rightarrow N + \pi + B(n, \Delta^0, \Delta^{++})$$



It was suggested in Refs. [25,26] that one can investigate the presence of small-size color singlet $q\bar{q}$ and qqq clusters in hadrons using large-angle branching hadronic processes $a + b \rightarrow c + d + e$, where the hadron e is produced in the fragmentation of b with fixed Feynman x_F and fixed transverse momentum $p_T^{(e)}$, while the hadrons c and d are produced with large and near balancing transverse momenta: $p_T^{(c)} \approx -p_T^{(d)}$.

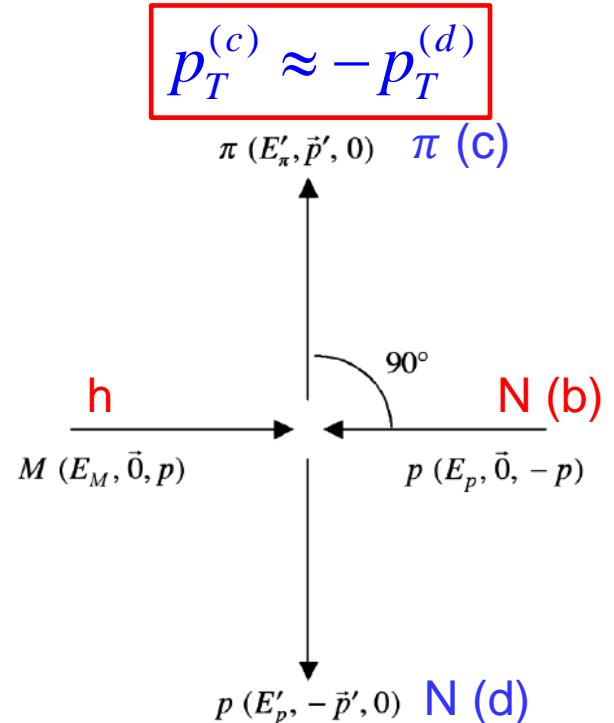
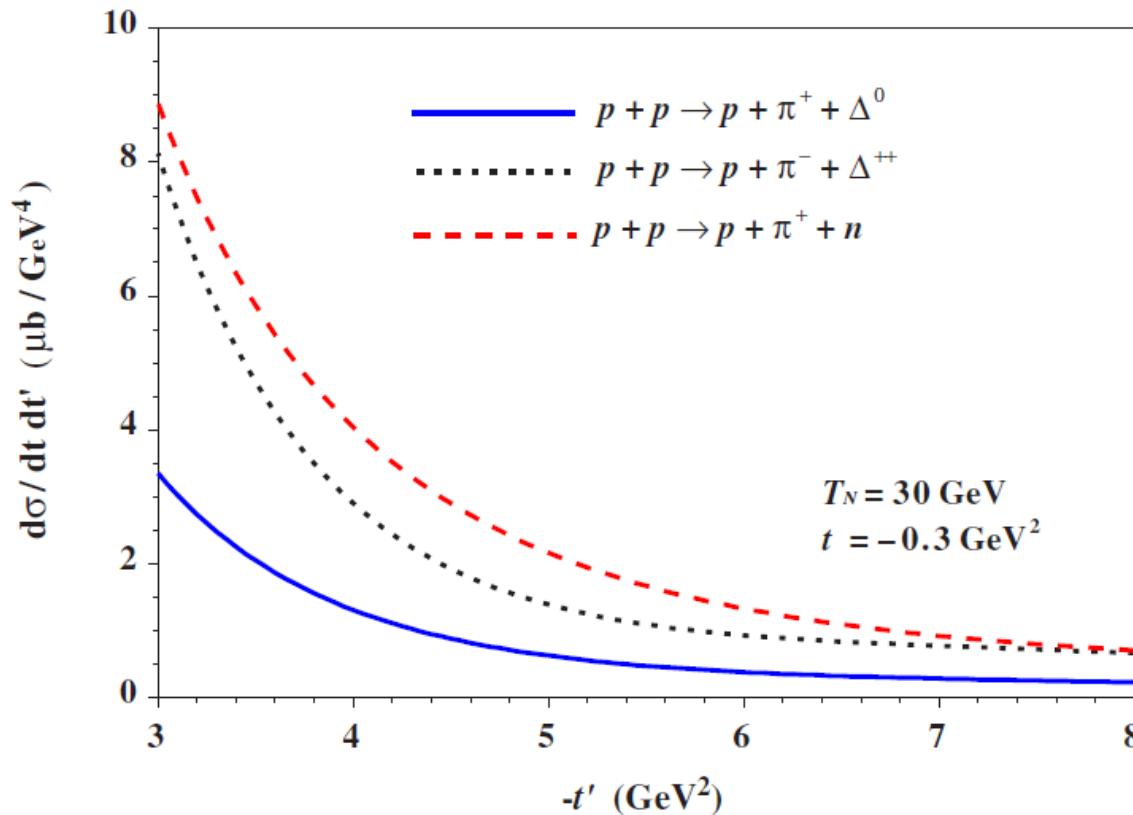


FIG. 8. $Mp \rightarrow \pi p$ elastic scattering at $\theta_{\text{c.m.}} = 90^\circ$.

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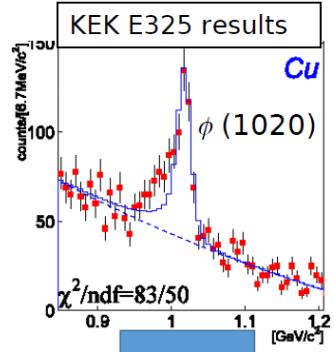


The measurement of $-t'$ ($\sim qT$ of forward-moving N) dependence could be used to explore the x-dependence of GPDs.

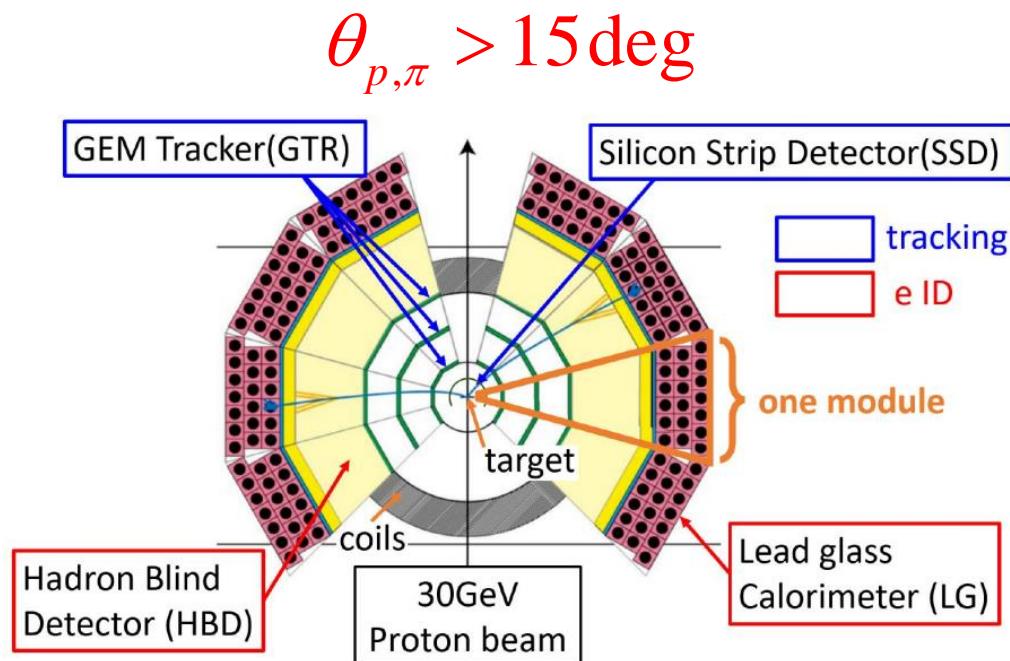
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E16 Experiment at J-PARC

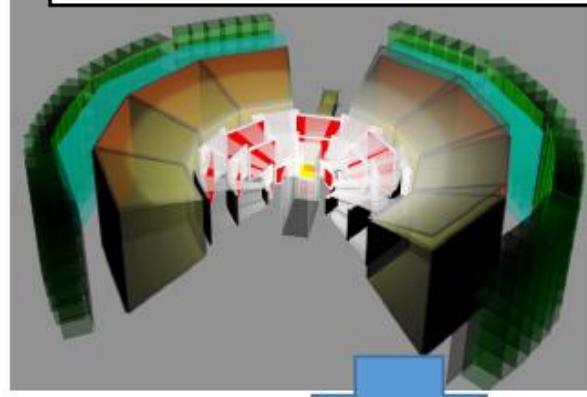
- E16 will measure the e^+e^- decay of ρ , ω , ϕ mesons produced in 30-GeV $p+A$ (C, Cu, Pb, etc.) reactions.
- Modification of line shapes in nuclear matter as the evidence of chiral symmetry restoration.
- Commission runs (Run 0):
2020, 2021, 2023, 2024.
- **Run 1: Nov/2025**



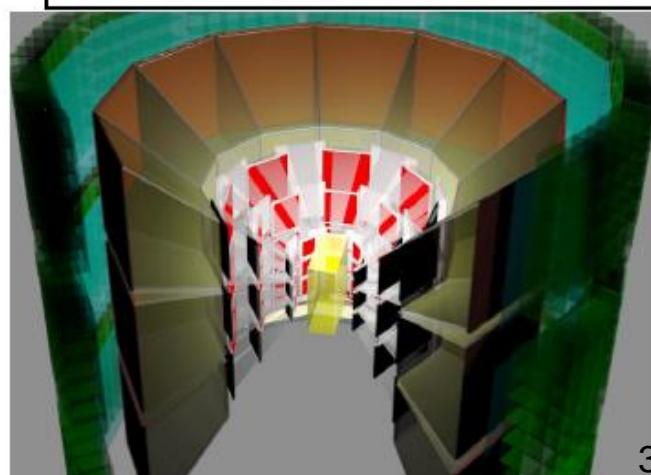
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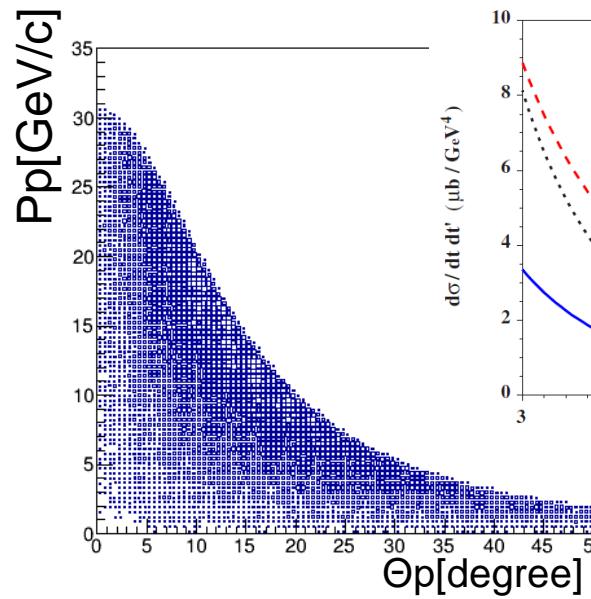
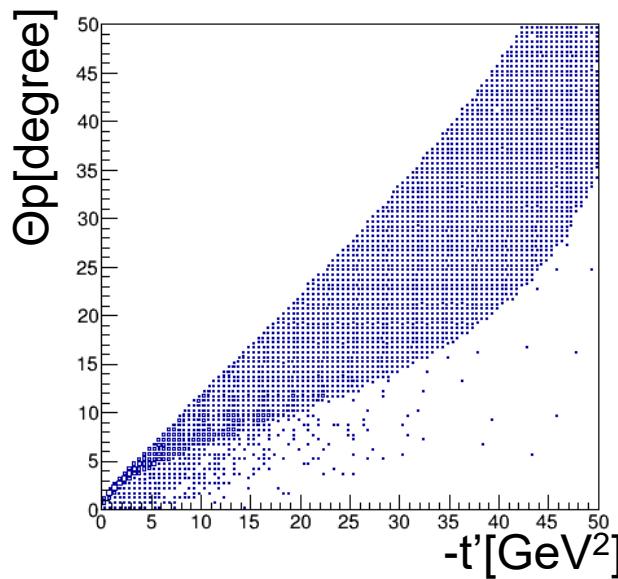
RUN 1 (8 modules)



RUN 2 (26 modules)

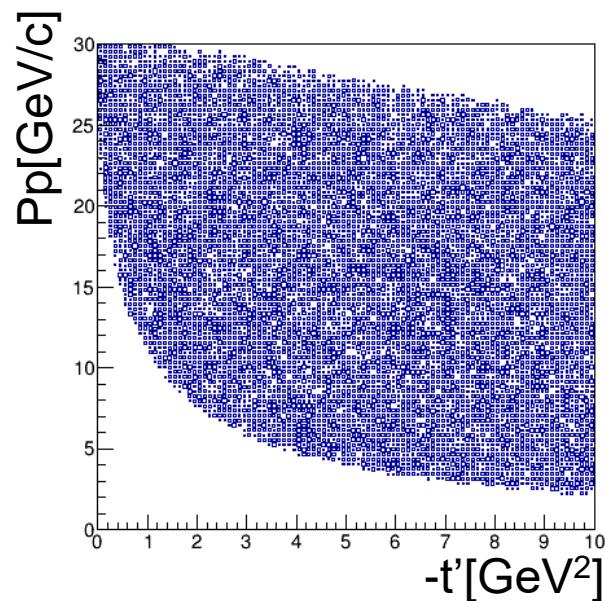


E16: p(30 GeV)p \rightarrow p π^+ n

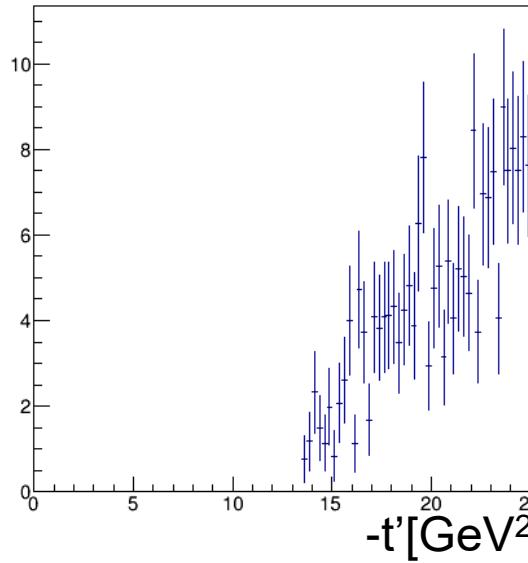


$p + p \rightarrow p + \pi^+ + \Delta^0$
 $p + p \rightarrow p + \pi^- + \Delta^{++}$
 $p + p \rightarrow p + \pi^+ + n$

$T_N = 30 \text{ GeV}$
 $t = -0.3 \text{ GeV}^2$



$\theta_{p,\pi} > 15 \text{ deg}, \phi_{p-\pi} > 160 \text{ deg}$



The forward opening of the current setting significantly limits the acceptance of t' .

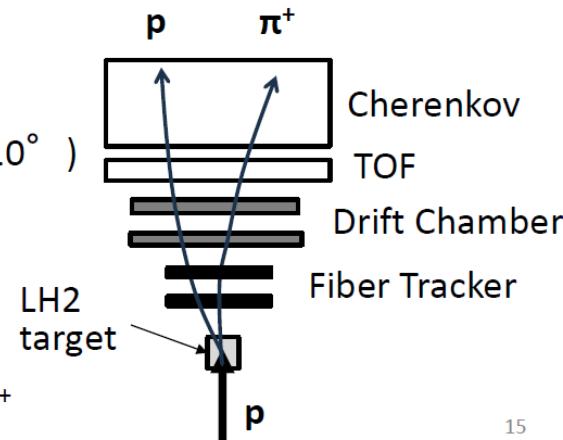
“Mini-MARQ”: $p(30 \text{ GeV})p \rightarrow p\pi^+ + n$

Experimental conditions

Primary (original plan)		Secondary (phase-1)
Beam	Intensity	10^{10} / spill (2 s)
	particle	30 GeV protons
	measurement	✗
Detector geometry		Avoid around beam (radiation control)
		Can be installed in the beam axis

“mini-MARQ spectrometer”

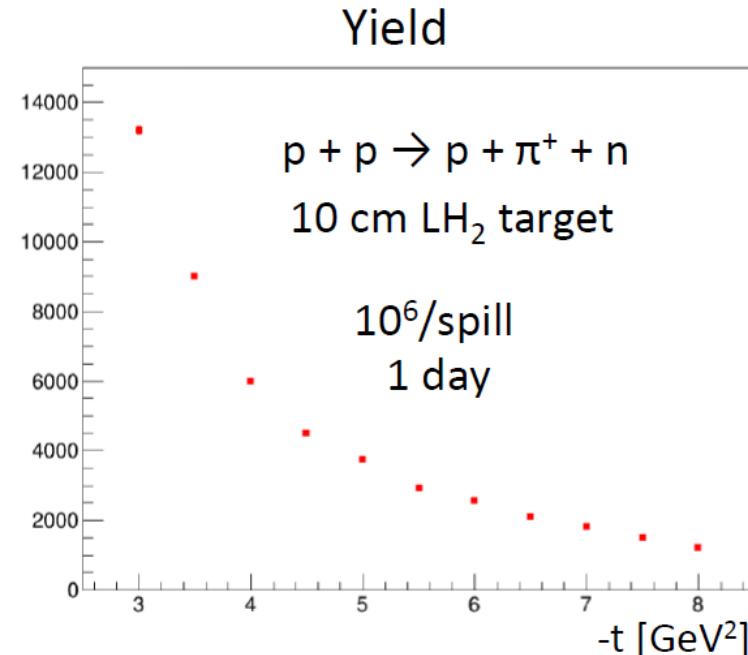
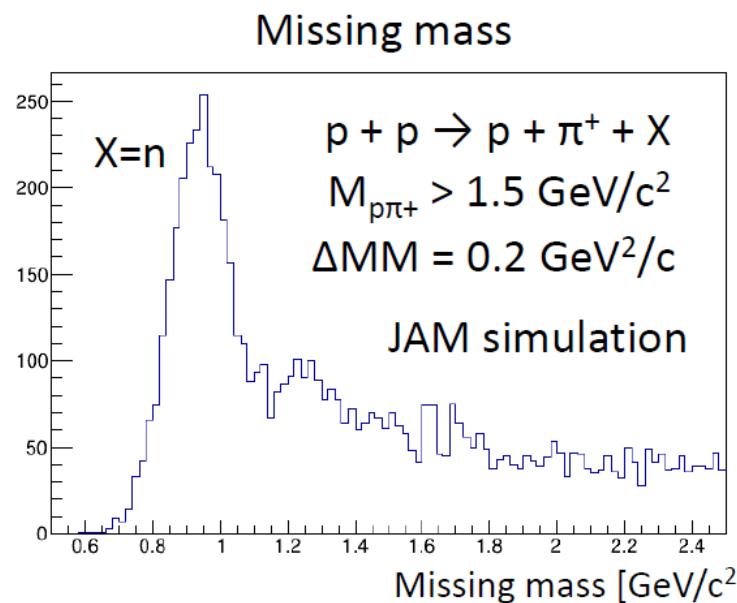
- FM magnet + Trackers (ready)
- $$p + p \rightarrow p + \pi^+ + n$$
- Forward PID detectors (p, π^+ in $\Theta < 10^\circ$)
 - Missing Mass : $p+p \rightarrow p+\pi^++X$
- $$p + p \rightarrow p + \pi^+ + \Delta^0$$
- $$p + p \rightarrow p + \pi^- + \Delta^{++}$$
- Side PID detectors
 - Invariant mass : $\Delta^0 \rightarrow p+\pi^-, \Delta^{++} \rightarrow p+\pi^+$



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“Mini-MARQ”: p(30 GeV)p \rightarrow p π^+ +n

Experimental expectation



Promising !

Summary

- Hadron structures are explored by both **space-like** and **time-like** approaches: FFs, PDFs, TMDs and GPDs.
- Exclusive π -induced Drell-Yan process will a novel approach of measuring GPDs and the measurements at J-PARC will bring important understandings on:
 - Universality of GPDs
 - DA and timelike FFs of pions
 - Color-transparency (with nuclei targets)
 - TDA ...
- Because of the immediate availability of 30-GeV proton beam, carrying out the measurement of 2-to-3 hard processes within J-PARC E16 and “Mini-MARQ” experiments are investigated.