

# Timelike Compton Scattering with CLAS12

Positron identification

R ratio and Forward Backward asymmetry

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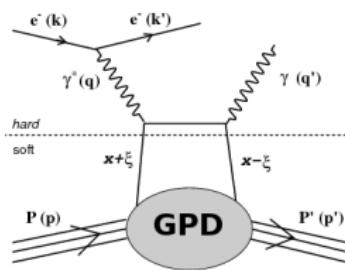


## Outline

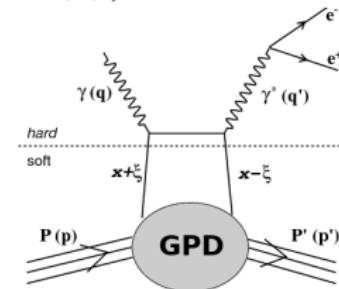
- Physics motivations
- TCS event selection
- Positron identification
- Ratio R and Forward/Backward asymmetry extraction
- CD proton efficiency correction (in progress)

# From Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering to Timelike Compton Scattering

DVCS ( $\gamma^* p \rightarrow \gamma p$ )



TCS ( $\gamma p \rightarrow \gamma^* p$ )



## Compton Form Factors (CFF)

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_q e_q^2 \left\{ \mathcal{P} \int_{-1}^1 dx H^q(x, \xi, t) \left[ \frac{1}{\xi-x} - \frac{1}{\xi+x} \right] + i\pi [H^q(\xi, \xi, t) - H^q(-\xi, \xi, t)] \right\}$$

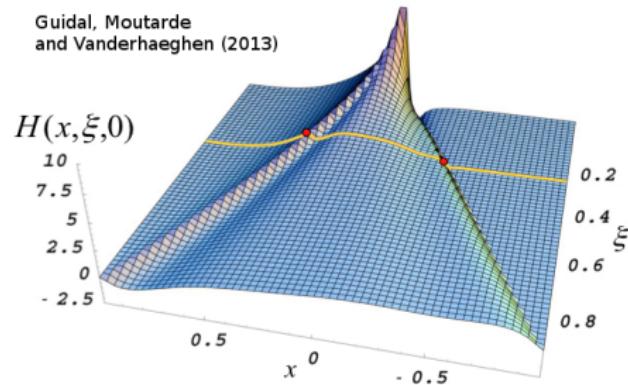
### Imaginary part

- Measured in DVCS asymmetries
- TCS  $\gamma$  polarization asymmetry

### Real part

- Accessible in DVCS cross section
- Charge asymmetry (E. Voutier talk)
- TCS cross section angular modulation (R and F/B asymmetry)**

Guidal, Moutarde  
and Vanderhaeghen (2013)



# Physics motivations

## 1 Nucleon D-term

- The CFFs dispersion relation at leading-order and leading twist :

$$Re\mathcal{H}(\xi, t) = \mathcal{P} \int_{-1}^1 dx \left( \frac{1}{\xi - x} - \frac{1}{\xi + x} \right) Im\mathcal{H}(\xi, t) + D(t)$$

- D-term expansion

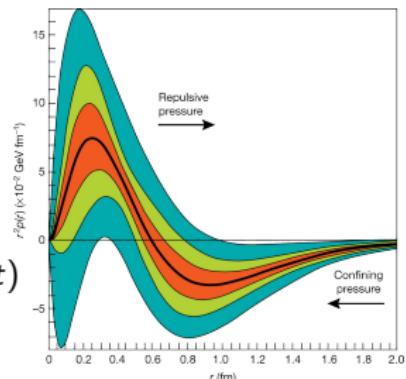
$$D(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 dz \frac{D(z, t)}{1-z}$$

$$D(z, t) = (1 - z^2)[d_1(t)C_1^{3/2}(z) + \dots]$$

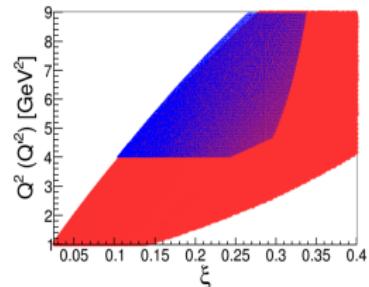
- $d_1(t)$  is directly related to the **pressure distribution** in the nucleon.

## 2 Test of universality of GPDs

- Photon polarization asymmetry sensitive to  $Im\mathcal{H}$



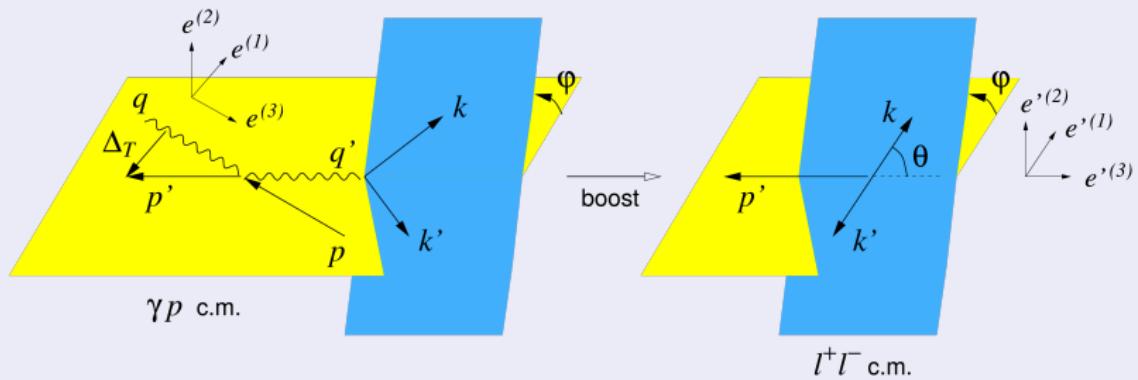
Nature (2018) Burkert, Elouadrhiri, Girod



DVCS phase space  
TCS phase space

Boér, Guidal, Vanderhaeghen (2015)

# $\gamma p \rightarrow e^+ e^- p$ kinematics

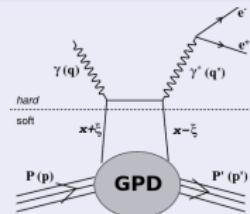


$$Q'^2 = (k + k')^2 \quad t = (p' - p)^2$$

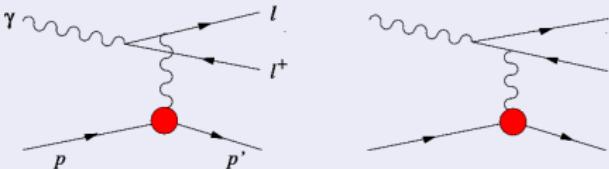
$$L = \frac{(Q'^2 - t)^2 - b^2}{4} \quad L_0 = \frac{Q'^4 \sin^2 \theta}{4} \quad b = 2(k - k')(p - p')$$

$$\tau = \frac{Q'^2}{2p \cdot q} \quad s = (p + q)^2 \quad t_0 = -\frac{4\xi^2 M^2}{(1-\xi^2)}$$

# TCS and Bethe-Heitler

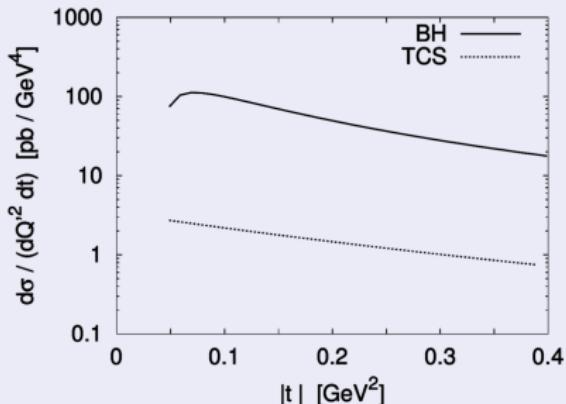


Timelike Compton Scattering



Bethe-Heitler

## TCS cross section



$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{dQ'^2 dt d\Omega} = \sigma_{TCS} + \sigma_{BH} + \sigma_{INT}$$

TCS cross section not accessible directly  
Use interference term to access GPDs

Berger, Diehl and Pire (2002)

## Event selection

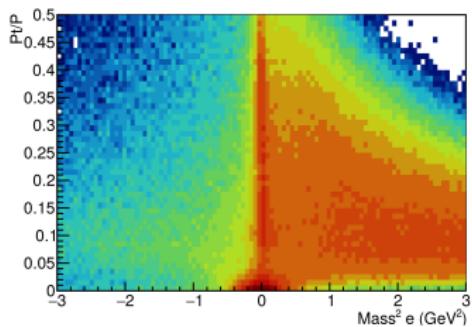


### Final state

- Use the CLAS12 reconstruction software PID
- Additional positron pid (next 3 slides)
- Events with exactly one  $e^+$ , one  $e^-$  and one proton are selected

### Scattered electron

- Cut on scattered electron missing mass
- Cut on missing transverse momentum
- These cuts constrain the virtuality of the photon  
 $Q^2 \propto 1 - \cos(\Theta_{scattered})$



### Exclusivity cuts

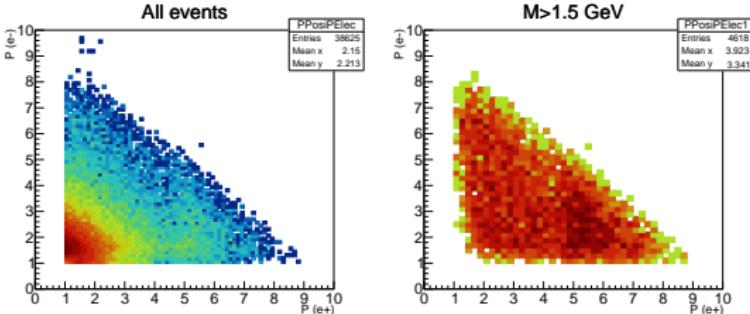
$$\frac{P_t}{P} < 0.05$$

$$Mass^2 < 0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$$

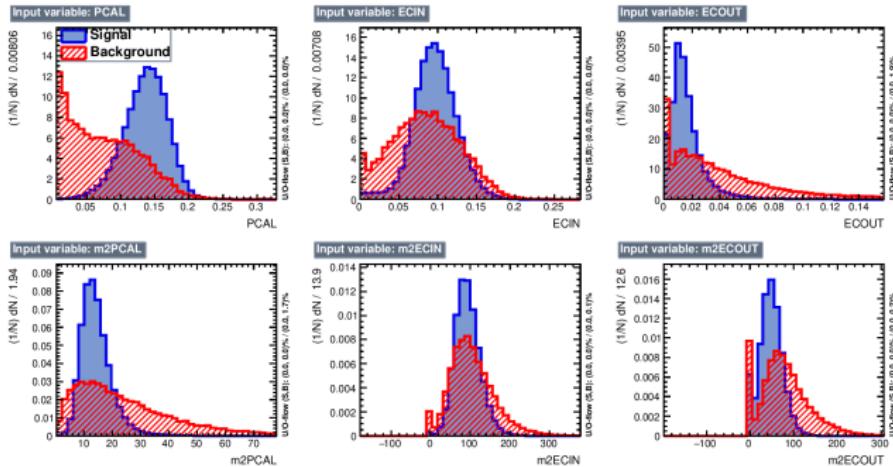
$$P_{lepton} > 1 \text{ GeV}$$

# Lepton identification

Clear  $\pi^+$  contamination above HTCC threshold



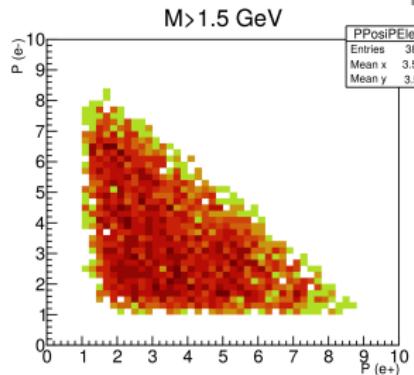
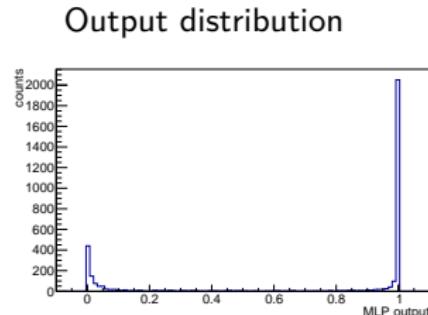
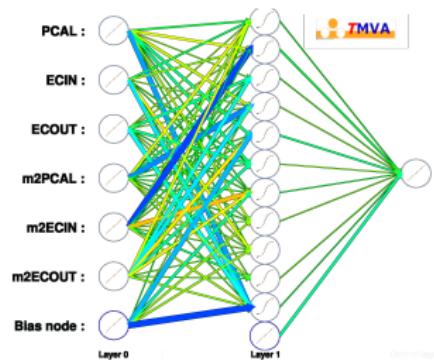
## Training of Multivariate Analysis methods on simulation



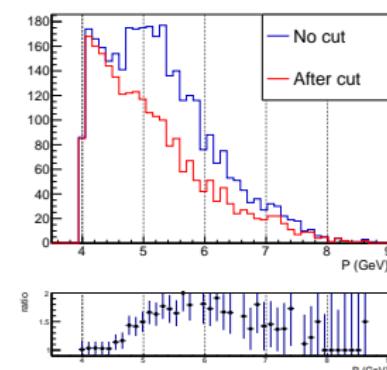
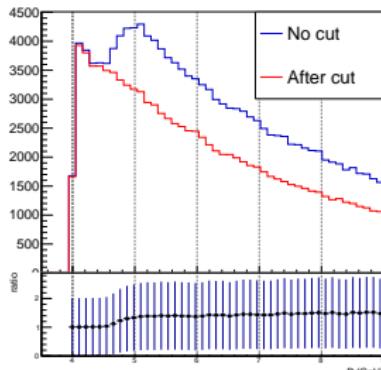
- Use  $e^+$  and  $\pi^+$  simulation samples
- Train MVAs on reconstructed  $e^+$
- Use SFs and second shower moment (averaged over U,V,W)
- Apply on data

# Positrons identification

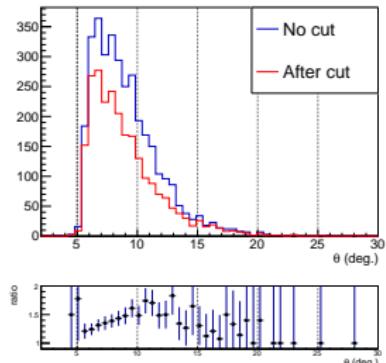
## Applying neural network pid



## Simulation



## Data

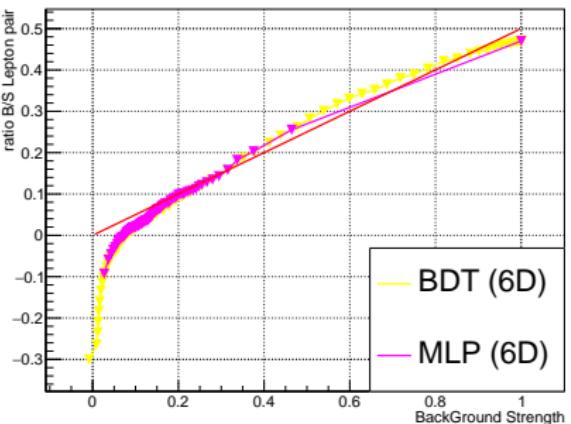
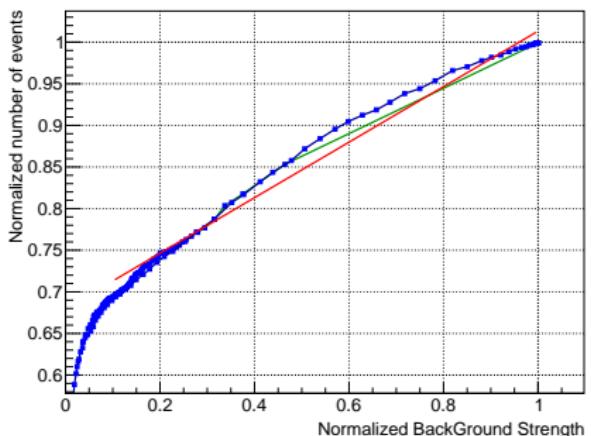
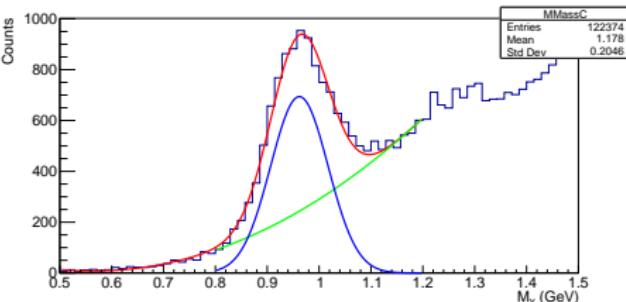


# Estimation of the absolute contamination of $\pi^+$ in the TCS sample

- Use pure uncorrelated background sample :

$$ep \rightarrow ee_{m_\pi}^+ (n)$$

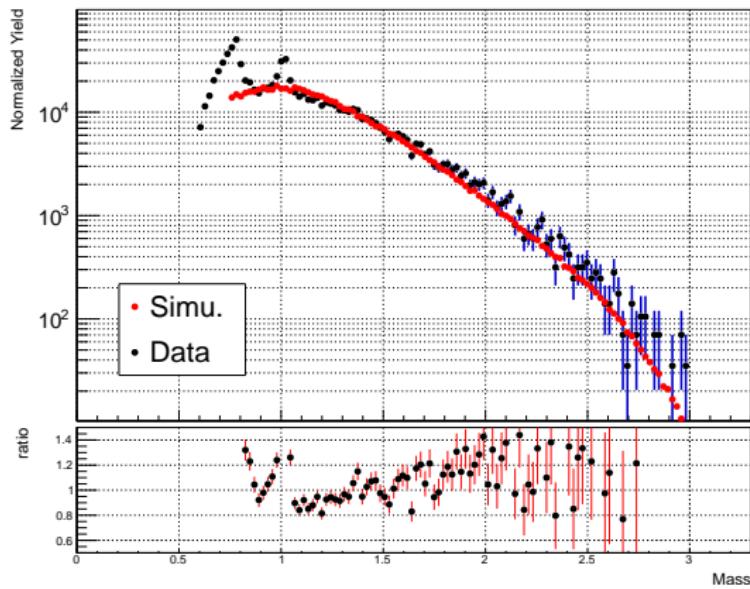
- Compare effect of cut on the NN output on both samples



→ This method reduces  $B/S$  from 0.5 to 0.05

## Lepton pair mass spectrum

Complete RG-A inbending data set used in the following

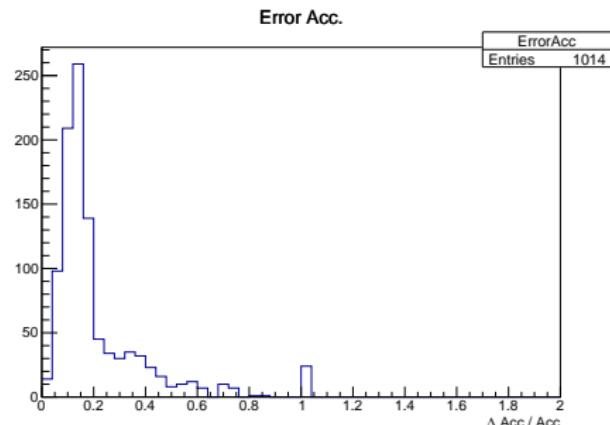
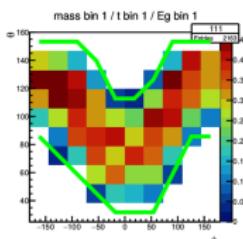
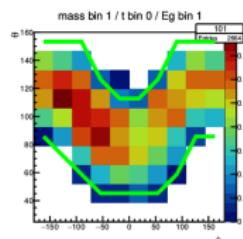
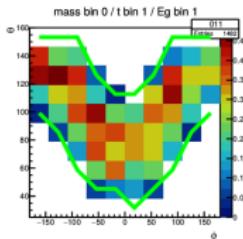
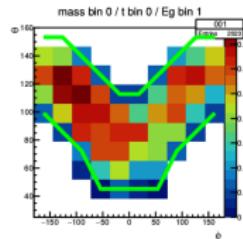


Data/BH simulation comparison in the high mass region  $4 \text{ GeV} < E_\gamma < 10 \text{ GeV}$   
 $0.15 \text{ GeV} < -t < 0.8 \text{ GeV}$   
No large vector meson background

# Acceptance and fiducial cuts

$$Acc_{\Omega=(E_\gamma, Q'^2, -t, \phi, \theta)} = \frac{N_{REC} \Omega}{N_{GEN} \Omega}$$

4 bins in  $-t$  and  $Q'^2$ , 3 bins in  $E_\gamma$ , 10x10 bins in the  $\phi/\theta$  plane. Bins with  $\frac{\Delta Acc}{Acc} > 0.5$  and  $Acc < 0.05$  are discarded ( $\Delta Acc$  is statistical error).



3M events simulation set

$$4 \text{ GeV} < E_\gamma < 10 \text{ GeV} \quad 1.5 \text{ GeV} < m_{e^+ e^-} < 3 \text{ GeV} \quad 0.15 \text{ GeV}^2 < -t < 0.8 \text{ GeV}^2$$

Fiducial cuts on PCAL included

# $\gamma p \rightarrow e^+ e^- p$ cross section and R ratio

## Interference cross section

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^4\sigma_{INT}}{dQ'^2 dt d\Omega} &= -\frac{\alpha_{em}^3}{4\pi s^2} \frac{1}{-t} \frac{m_p}{Q'} \frac{1}{\tau\sqrt{1-\tau}} \frac{L_0}{L} [\cos(\phi) \frac{1 + \cos^2(\theta)}{\sin(\theta)} \textcolor{red}{Re} \tilde{M}^{--} + \dots] \\ &\rightarrow \tilde{M}^{--} = \frac{2\sqrt{t_0-t}}{M} \frac{1-\xi}{1+\xi} \left[ F_1 \mathcal{H} - \xi(F_1 + F_2) \tilde{\mathcal{H}} - \frac{t}{4M^2} F_2 \mathcal{E} \right] \end{aligned}$$

## BH cross section

$$\frac{d^4\sigma_{BH}}{dQ'^2 dt d\Omega} \approx -\frac{\alpha_{em}^3}{2\pi s^2} \frac{1}{-t} \frac{1 + \cos^2(\theta)}{\sin^2(\theta)} \left[ (F_1^2 - \frac{t}{4M^2} F_2^2) \frac{2}{\tau^2} \frac{\Delta_T^2}{-t} + (F_1 + F_2)^2 \right]$$

BH cross section diverges at  $\theta \approx 0^\circ$  and  $180^\circ$

## Weighted cross section ratio

$$R(\sqrt{s}, Q'^2, t) = \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \cos(\phi) \frac{dS}{dQ'^2 dt d\phi}}{\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \frac{dS}{dQ'^2 dt d\phi}} \quad \frac{dS}{dQ'^2 dt d\phi} = \int_{\pi/4}^{3\pi/4} d\theta \frac{L}{L_0} \frac{d\sigma}{dQ'^2 dt d\phi d\theta}$$

# R' ratio measurement

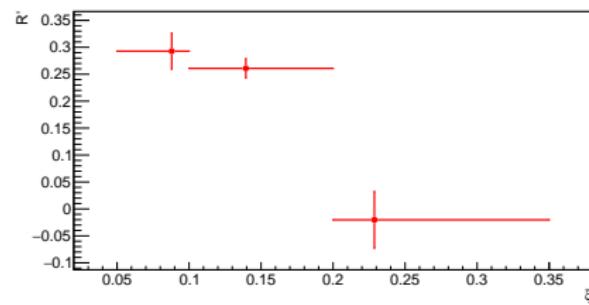
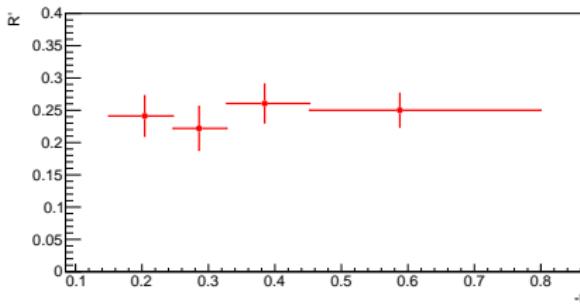
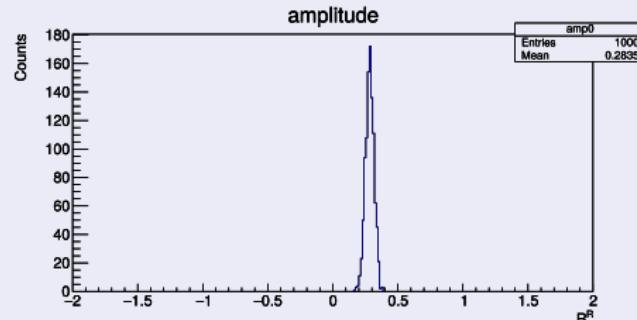
## Weighted cross section ratio

$$R = \frac{\sum_{\phi} Y_{\phi} \cdot \cos(\phi)}{\sum_{\phi} Y_{\phi}},$$

$$Y_{\phi} = \sum_{\theta \in [\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}]} \frac{L}{L_0} \frac{1}{Acc},$$

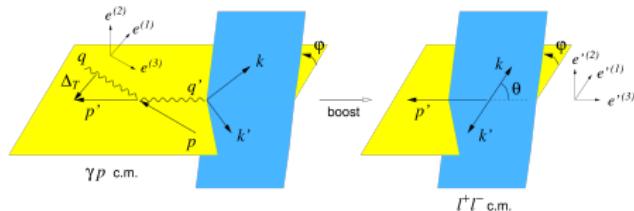
$$\delta Y_{\phi} = \sum_{\theta \in [\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}]} \left( \frac{L}{L_0} \frac{1}{Acc} \right)^2.$$

Statistical error calculation with MC method (R calculated 1000 times with  $Y_{\phi}$  within error bars)



Large dependence on the integration domain. Need a careful check of this dependence using Monte Carlo. Or total BH cs extraction could help in interpreting this observable

# Forward Backward asymmetry



Unpol. cross section

$$\frac{d^4 \sigma_{INT}}{dQ'^2 dt d\Omega} \propto -\frac{L_0}{L} \cos(\phi) \frac{1 + \cos^2(\theta)}{\sin(\theta)} \operatorname{Re} \tilde{M}^{--}$$

## Forward-Backward Asymmetry

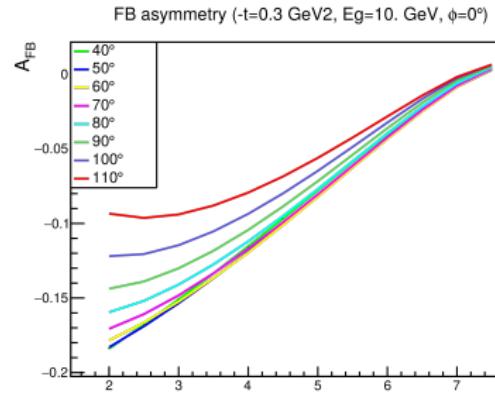
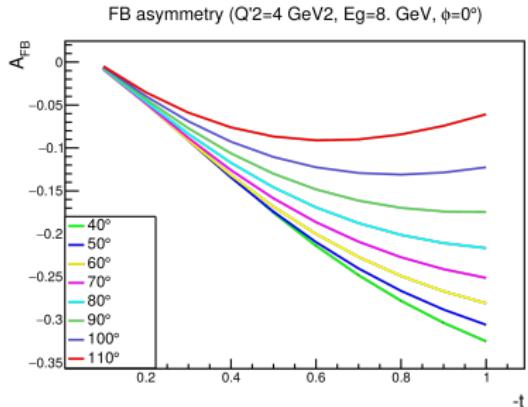
Concept explored for  $J/\Psi$  production [Gryniuk and Vanderhaeghen(2016)].  
No prediction for TCS published yet.

$$A_{FB}(\theta_0, \phi_0) = \frac{d\sigma(\theta_0, \phi_0) - d\sigma(180^\circ - \theta_0, 180^\circ + \phi_0)}{d\sigma(\theta_0, \phi_0) + d\sigma(180^\circ - \theta_0, 180^\circ + \phi_0)} \propto \operatorname{Re} \tilde{M}^{--}$$

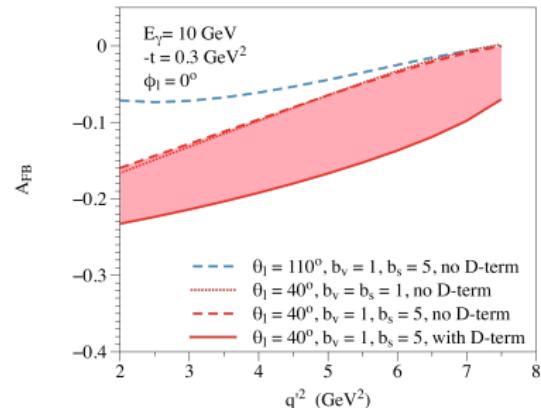
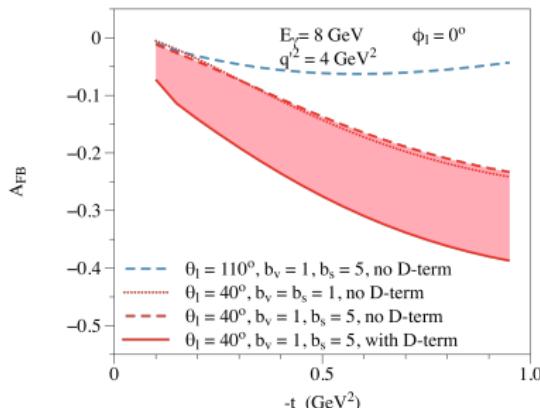
→ Access to real part of the CFFs with no integration over angles (removes large dependencies on angular acceptance)

# $A_{FB}$ projections

Projections from VGG ( $b_{val} = b_{sea} = 1$ , no D-term)

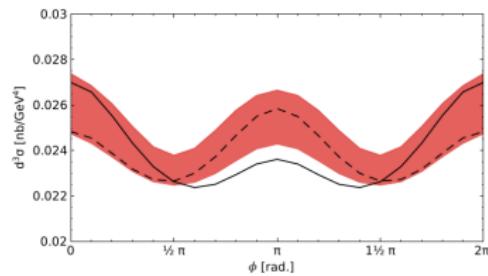
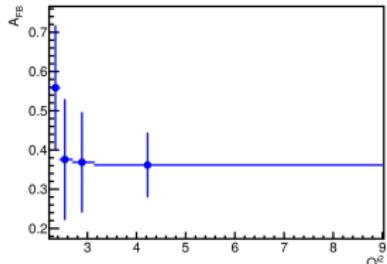
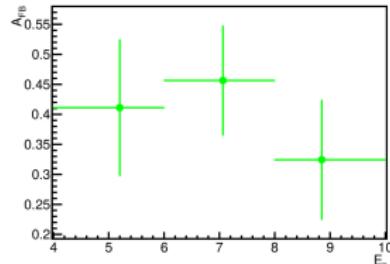
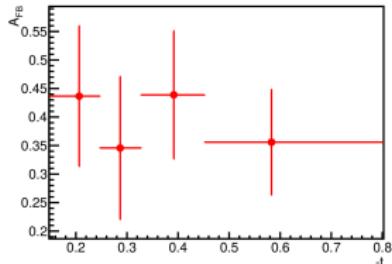


Projections from VGG (Cross check by M.Vanderhaegen)



## $A_{FB}$ measurement

- Forward direction: Integration over  $\phi \in [-50^\circ, 50^\circ]$  and  $\theta \in [50^\circ, 70^\circ]$
- Backward direction: Integration over  $\phi < -130^\circ$  or  $\phi > 130^\circ$  and  $\theta \in [110^\circ, 130^\circ]$
- Each event is weighted by  $\frac{1}{Acc}$  / Error bars given by propagating  $\delta\sigma \propto \sqrt{\sum(1/Acc)^2}$



NLO/LO (solid/dashed line) TCS+BH cs  
(GK model)  
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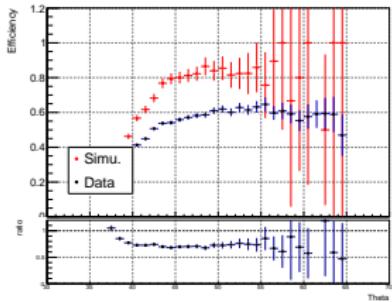
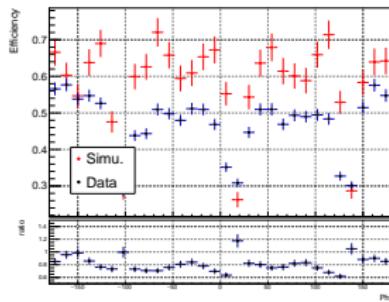
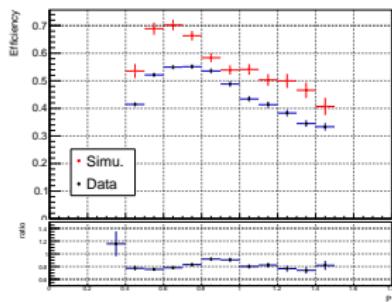
- $A_{FB}$  is positive
- Three possible explanations:
  - Error in angle definition or other bug in the analysis (cross check in progress but seems consistent)
  - Error in CFF definitions in the projections (sign problems)
  - NLO corrections. VGG projections are done at twist-2. NLO corrections could change the sign of  $Re\tilde{M}^{--}$

## CD proton efficiency correction (in progress) (1)

Use  $e(p')\pi^+\pi^-$  reaction, where the missing proton goes in the CD. All the analysis is done using kinematic variables of the missing proton.

Data set:  $e\pi^+\pi^-(X)$ , cut on the  $\rho$  mass in the  $m_{\pi^+\pi^-}$  spectrum

Simulation set: Events generated with genev, epp



$$Eff_{DATA} = \frac{N_{REC}}{N_{Missing}}$$

$$Eff_{SIMU} = \frac{N_{REC}}{N_{Missing}}$$

$$Eff_{Corr} = \frac{Eff_{DATA}}{Eff_{SIMU}}$$

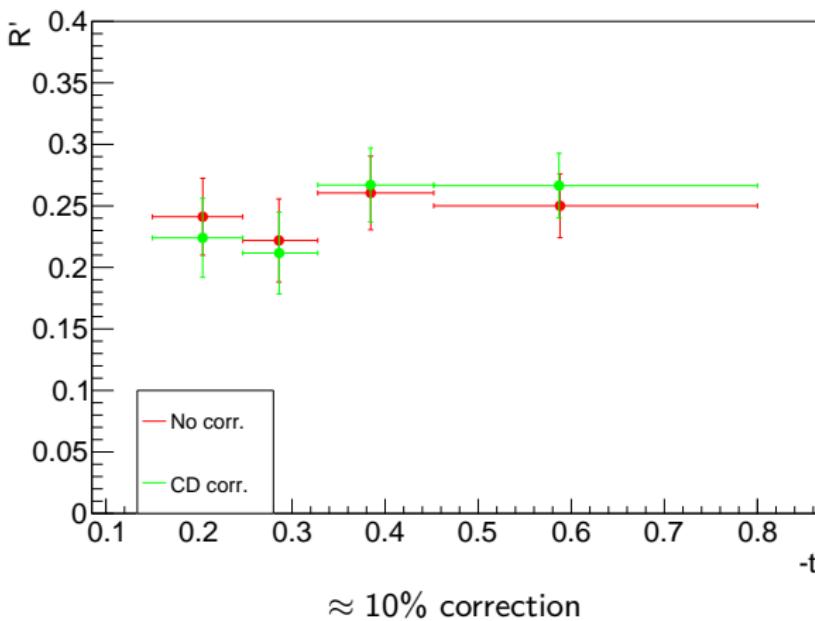
4 bins in momentum, 2 bins in  $\theta$ , 30 in  $\phi$

## CD proton efficiency correction (in progress) (2)

### Change in the acceptance calculation

Events with a proton in the CD are weighted by the efficiency correction, the weight for event in the FD is 1

$$Acc = \frac{\sum Eff_{Corr}}{N_{Gen}}$$



## Summary

- Use of MVA techniques for positron id necessary and implemented in analysis.
- First values of  $R'$  ratio and  $A_{FB}$  extracted
- Full fiducial cuts still to be implemented (using trains ?)
- CD proton detection efficiency in progress
- Full detailed systematics still needed
- Interpretation of the  $A_{FB}$  still needed
- Analysis note under way (the goal is to start review by the end of the summer)

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Accessing the real part of the forward  $j/\psi - p$  scattering amplitude from  $j/\psi$  photoproduction on protons around threshold.

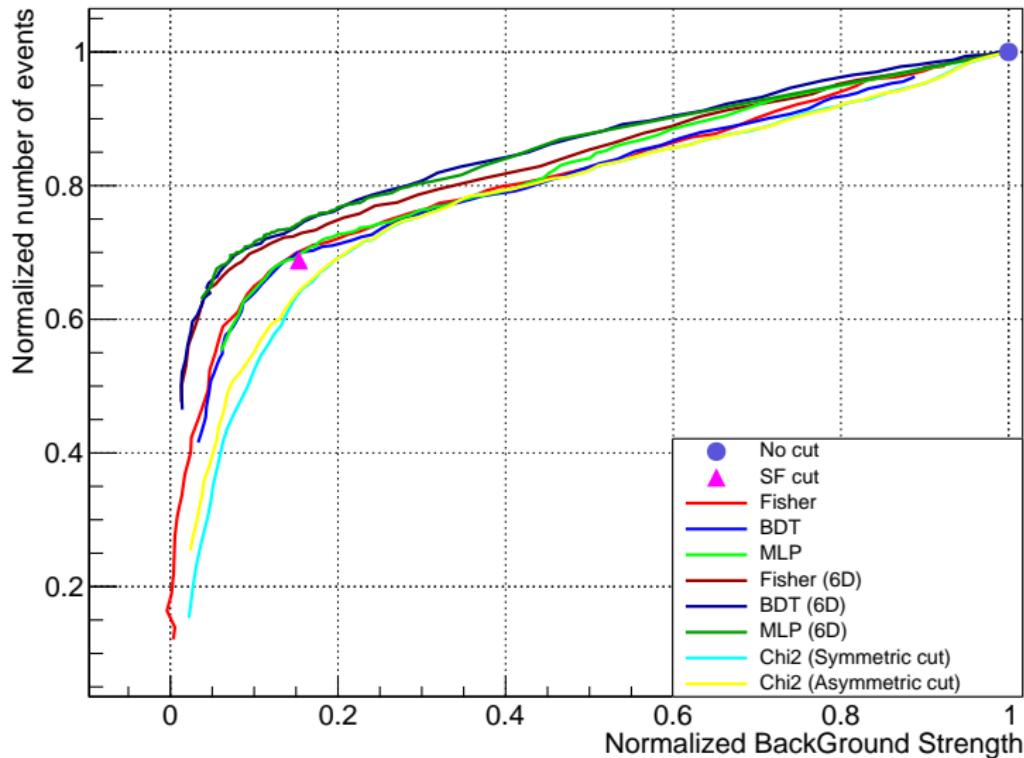
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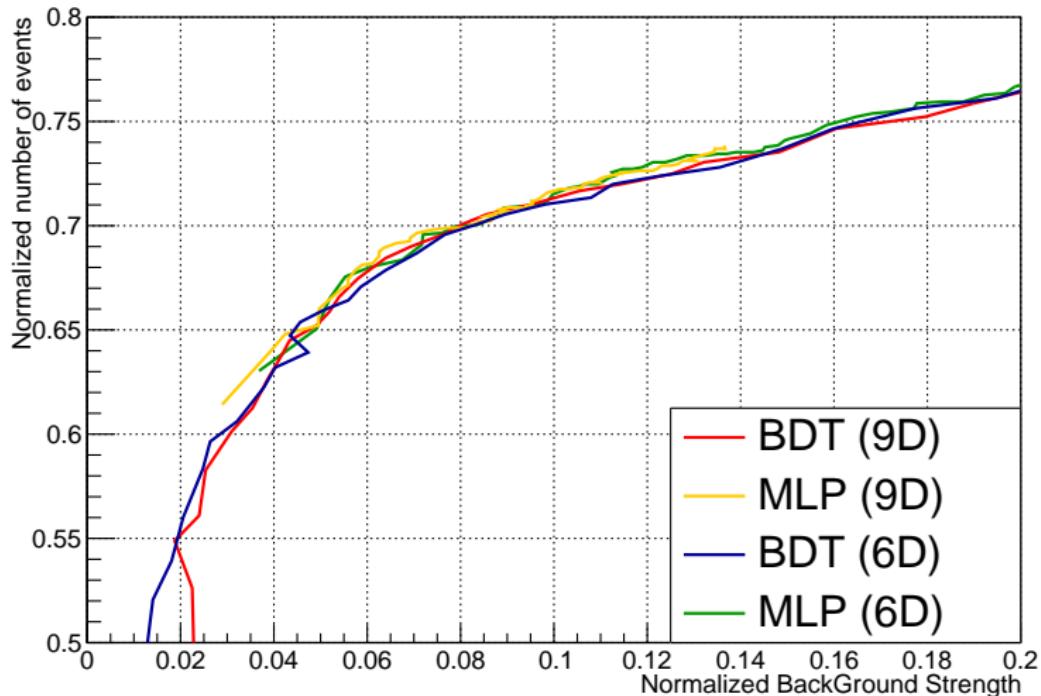
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# **Back-up slides**

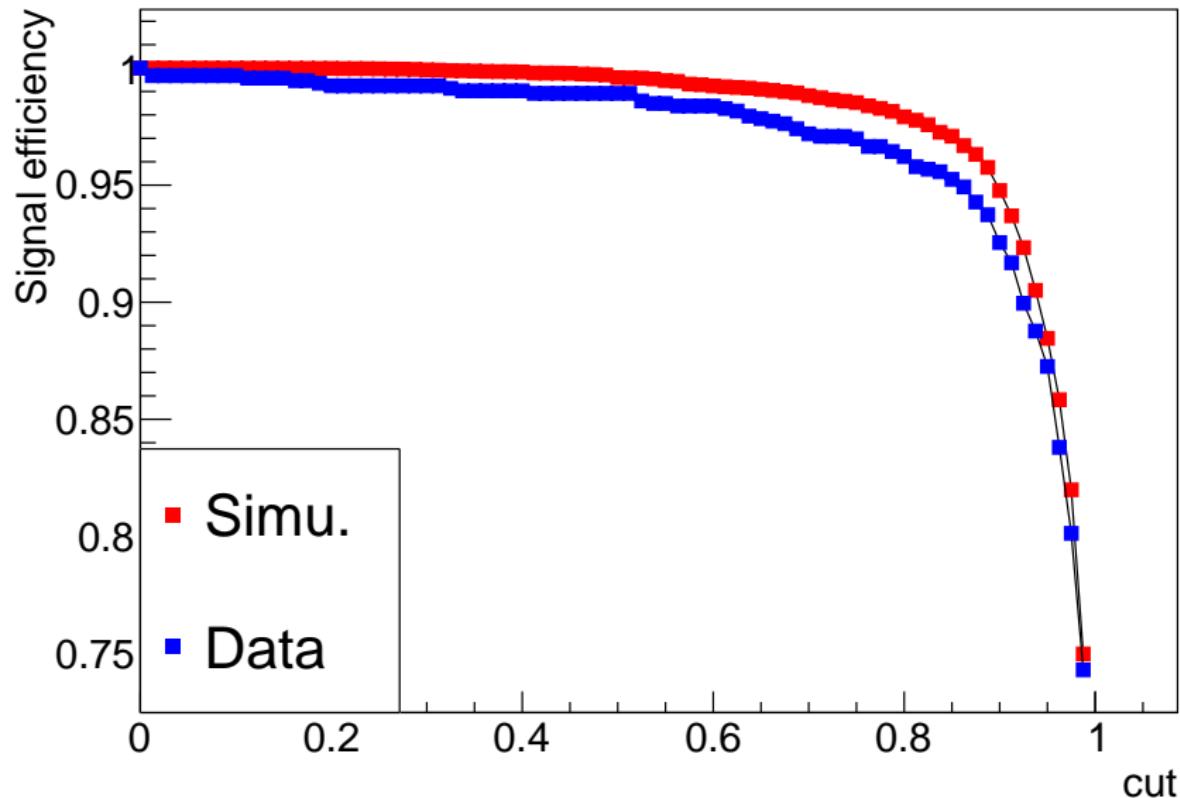
## MVA comparison (1)



## MVA comparison (2)



## NN on electron



## Absolute contamination from ROC curve

$$y(x) = \frac{S(x) + x \cdot \beta}{S(1) + \beta} \quad (1)$$

extrapolated it to  $x = 0$ :

$$y(0) = \frac{S(0)}{S(1) + \beta} \quad (2)$$

The *Normalized number of TCS events* is:

$$y(x_0) = \frac{S(x_0) + x_0 \cdot \beta}{S(1) + \beta} \quad (3)$$

For a given  $x_0$ ,  $\frac{y(x_0)}{y(0)} - 1$  gives a good estimate of the ratio  $\frac{B(x_0)}{S(x_0)}$ :

$$\frac{y(x_0)}{y(0)} - 1 = \frac{S(x_0) + x_0 \cdot \beta}{S(0)} - 1 \quad (4)$$

and

$$\frac{y(x_0)}{y(0)} - 1 = \frac{S(x_0)}{S(0)} \left( 1 + \frac{x_0 \cdot \beta}{S(x_0)} \right) - 1 \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{y(x_0)}{y(0)} - 1 \simeq \frac{B(x_0)}{S(x_0)} \quad (6)$$

## Mass spectrum

