

**GPD Program with the SoLID  
Spectrometer**

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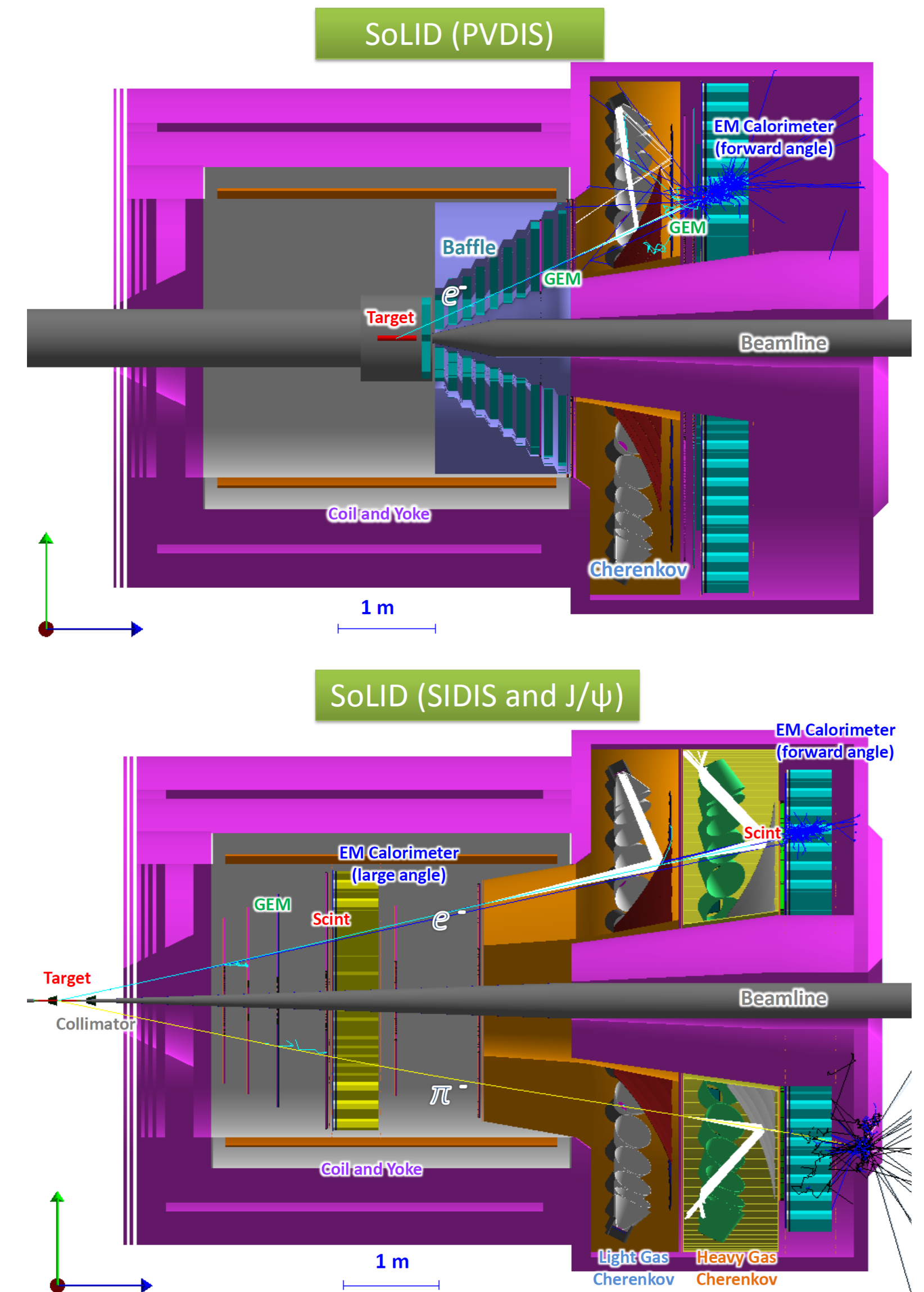
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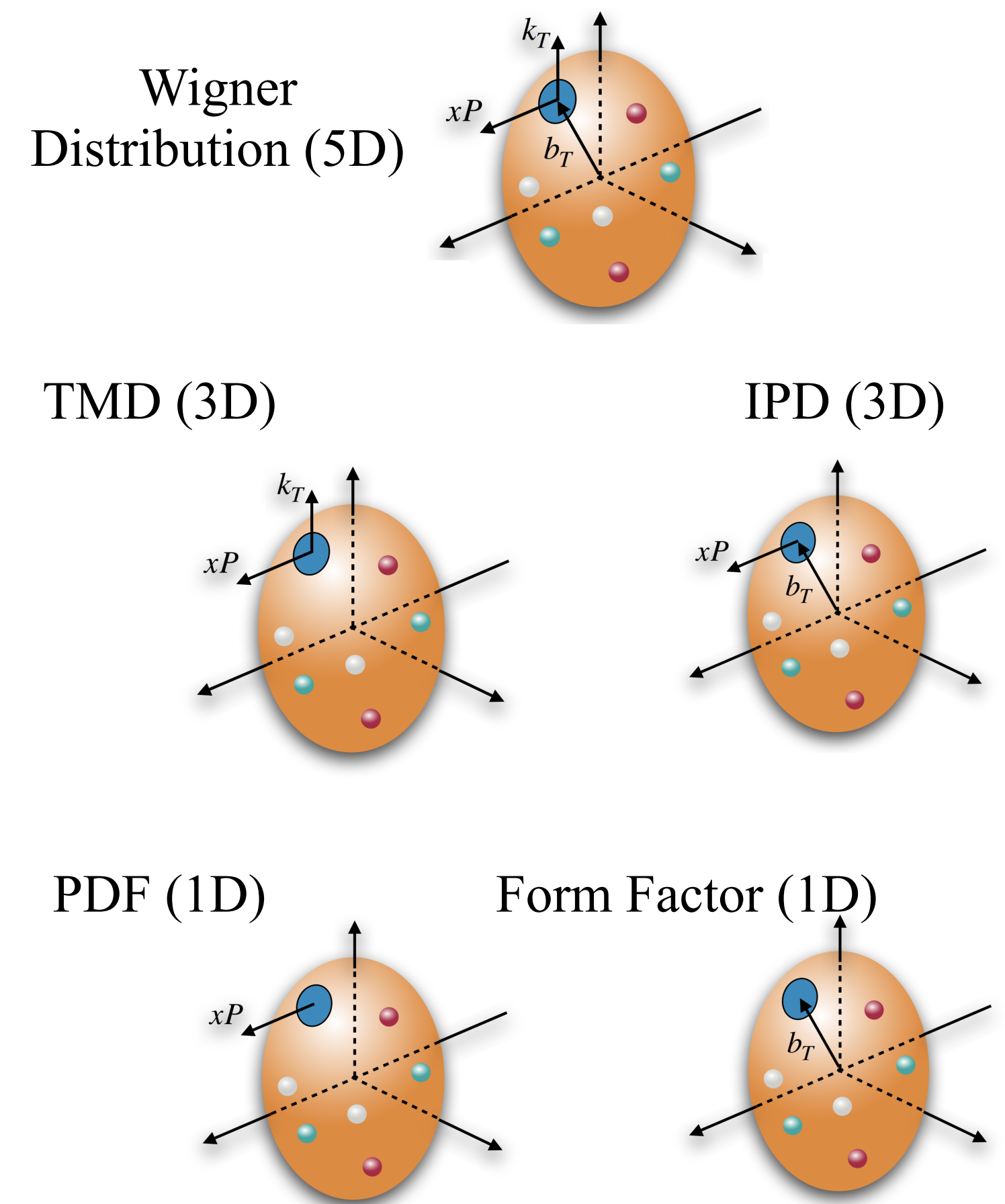
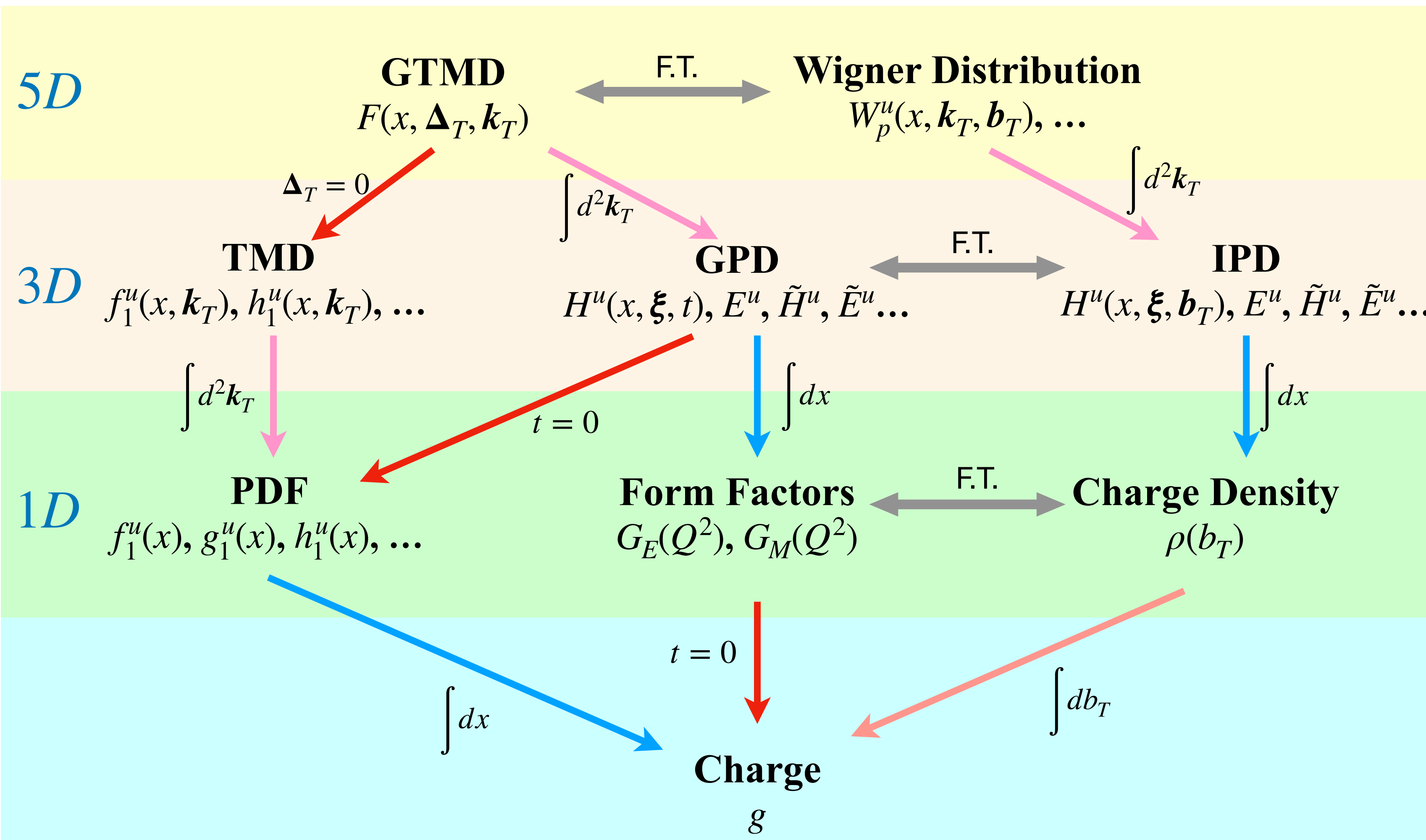


# The SoLID Program

- ❑ Full exploration of JLab 12 GeV upgrade with broad physics program
- ❑ Capability to handle high luminosity
- ❑ Large acceptance with full  $2\pi$  azimuthal angle coverage, with polar angle coverage:  $8^\circ \sim 24^\circ$
- ❑ Two major configurations with detectors interchangeable
  - ☑ PVDIS (See Ye Tian's talk)
    - Fundamental symmetries: standard model test and hadron structure
  - ☑ SIDIS and  $J/\psi$  (See Sylvester Joosten's talk)
    - Nucleon structure: 3D imaging of the nucleon in momentum space in valence quark region
    - QCD: probe the color field in the nucleon, access to QCD conformal anomaly —  $J/\psi$  production at threshold
- ❑ GPD program



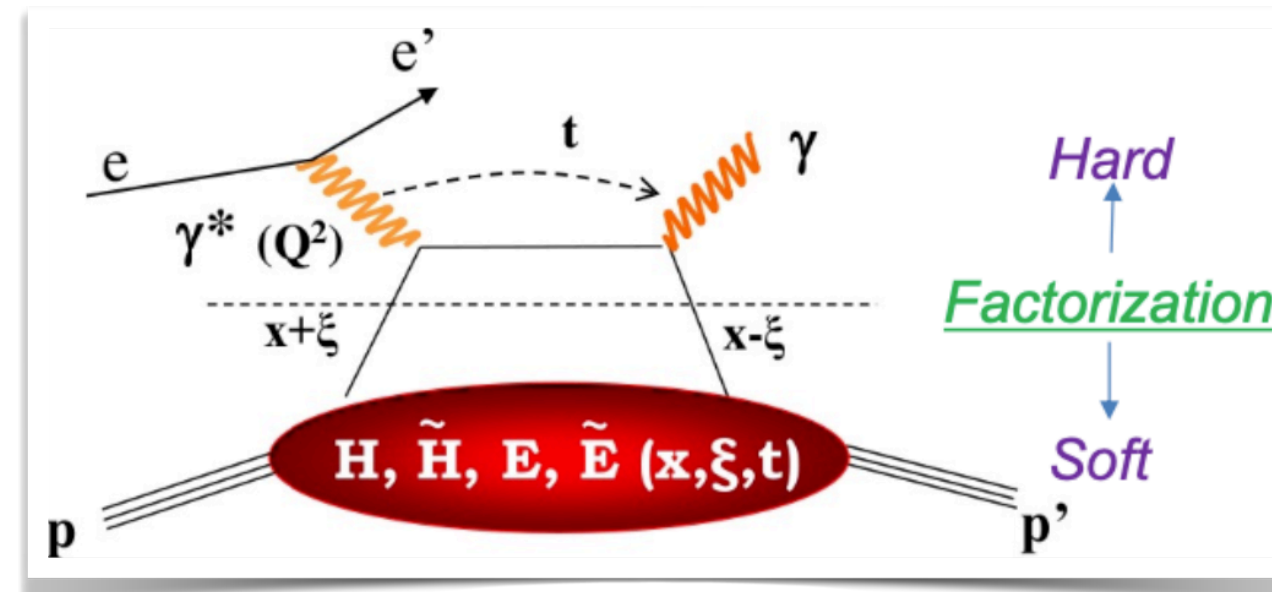
# Nucleon's Structure Functions



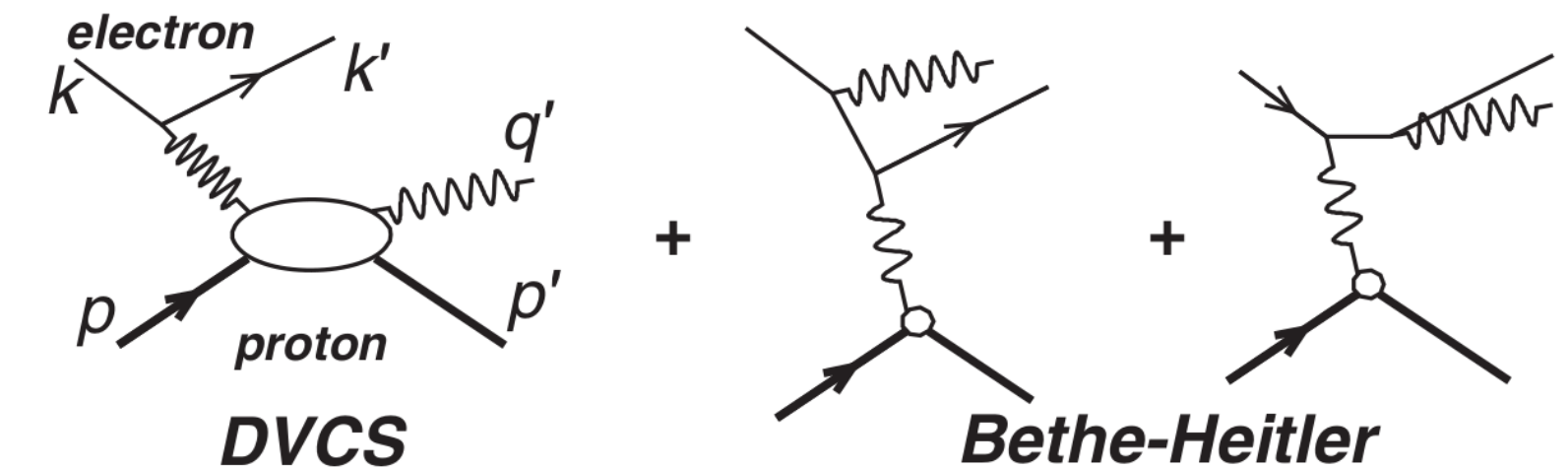
# Generalized Parton Distributions

- Correlates **1D longitudinal momentum** and **2D transverse position** (Fourier Transform)
- GPDs are universal quantities and reflect nucleon structure independently of the probing reaction
- 8 GPDs at leading twist
  - Chiral Even GPDs, helicity of Parton unchanged:  $H^{q/g}, E^{q/g}, \tilde{H}^{q/g}, \tilde{E}^{q/g}$ ,
  - Chiral Odd or transversity GPDs, helicity of Parton flipped:  $H_T^{q/g}, E_T^{q/g}, \tilde{H}_T^{q/g}, \tilde{E}_T^{q/g}$
- Access through **exclusive processes** (DVCS, DVMP, DDVCS, TCS, ...), **Factorization Theorem**

spin	<i>N no flip</i>	<i>N flip</i>
<i>q no flip</i>	$H$	$E$
<i>q flip</i>	$\tilde{H}$	$\tilde{E}$



- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)** is the **Golden Channel** for accessing GPDs



$$\sigma(lp \rightarrow l\gamma p) \propto |\tau_{DVCS}|^2 + I + |\tau_{BH}|^2$$

- Access GPDs via Interference Terms

$$I = |\tau_{DVCS}\tau_{BH}^* + \tau_{DVCS}^*\tau_{BH}|^2$$

- DVCS only measures **Compton Form Factors (CFFs)**

$$\tau_{DVCS} \propto \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{H(x, \xi, t)}{x \pm \xi \mp i\epsilon} dx = P \underbrace{\int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{H(x, \xi, t)}{x \pm \xi} dx}_{\Re(\mathcal{H})} - i\pi \underbrace{H(\pm\xi, \xi, t)}_{\Im(\mathcal{H})}$$

- 8 **CFFs** for  $H, E, \tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$

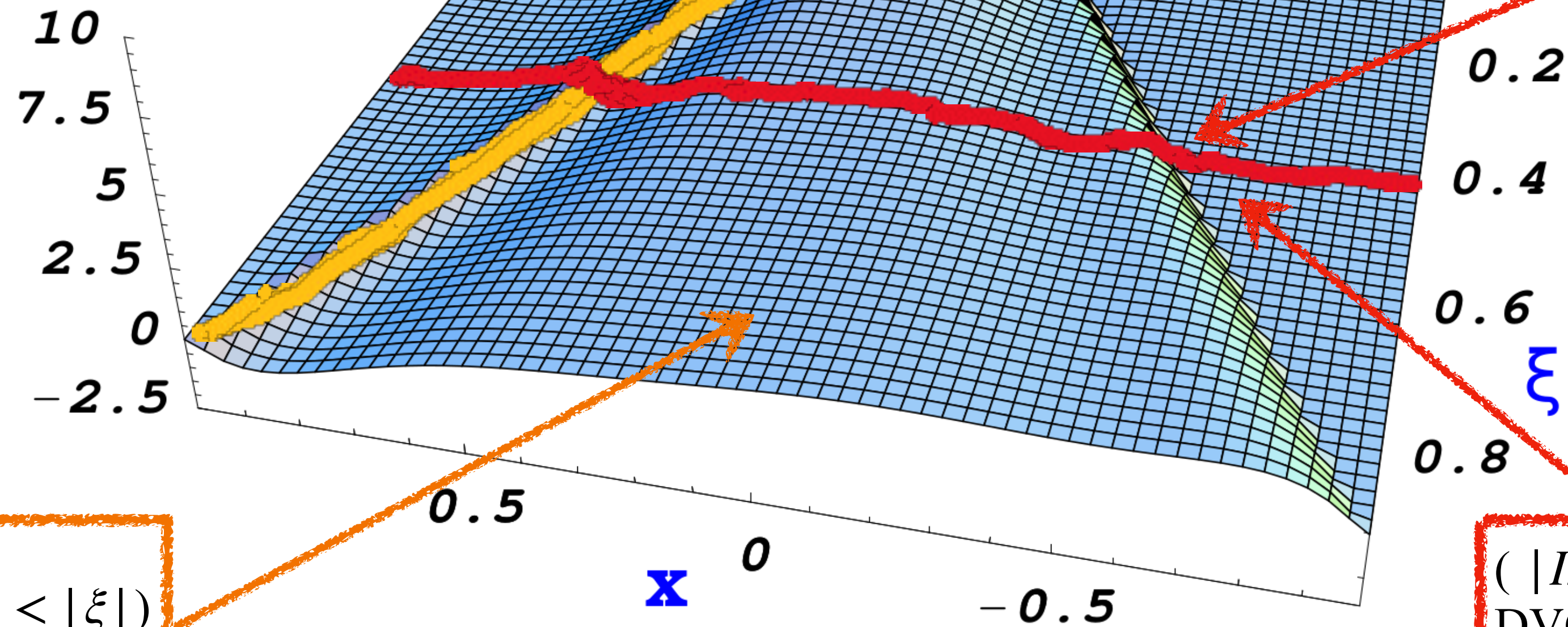
# General Compton Processes Accessing GPDs

- Different exclusive processes, different experimental observables, crucial to fully disentangle GPDs

(Im,  $x = \xi$ )  
 DVCS: spin asymmetries  
 TCS: with polarized beam

(Re)  
 DVCS: charge asymmetries  
 TCS: cross section, linear beam asymmetry  
 DVMP: cross-section, asymmetries

$H(x, \xi, 0)$



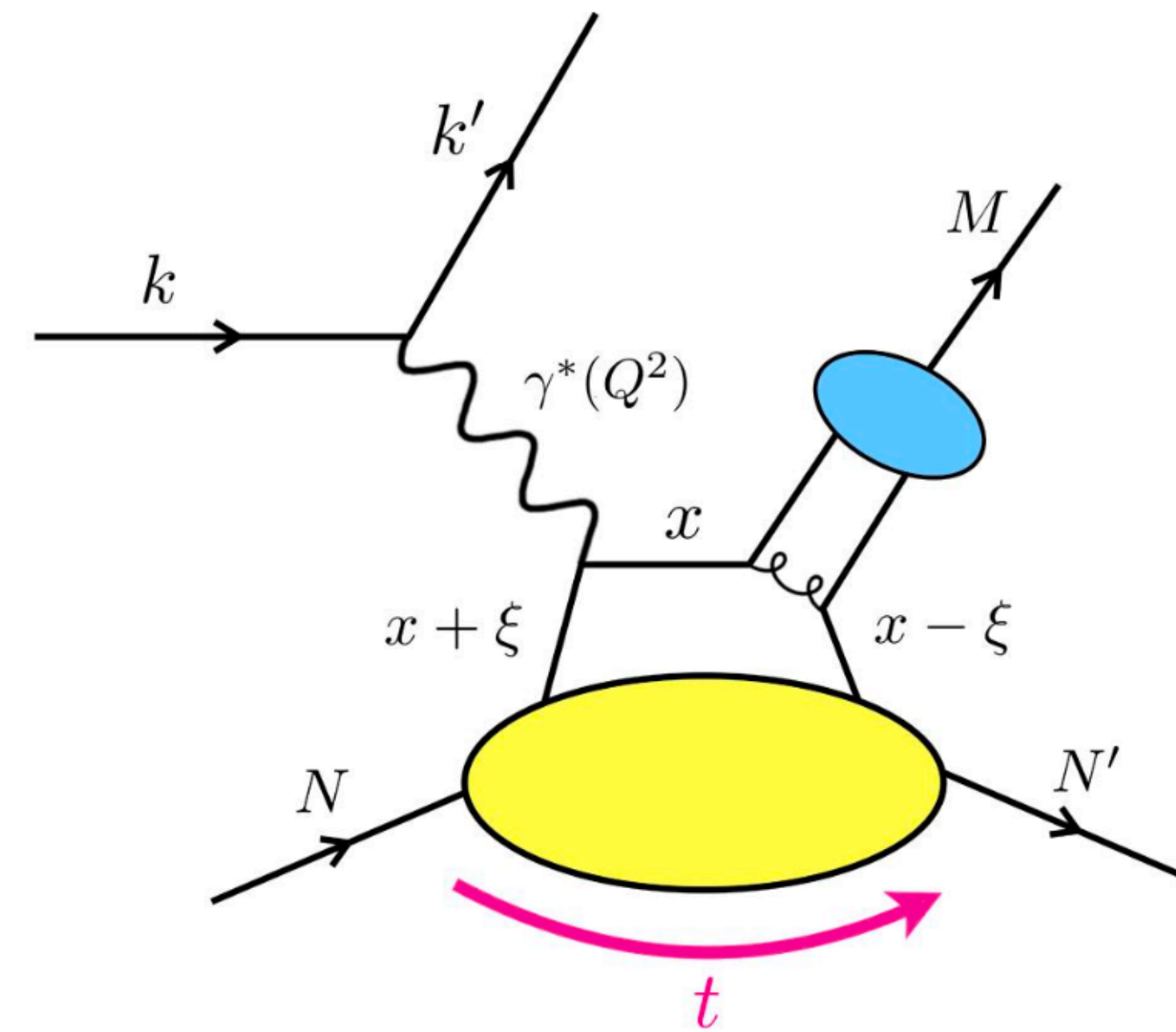
(Im,  $x \neq \xi, x < |\xi|$ )  
**Double DVCS**

( $|Im|^2 + |Re|^2$ )  
 DVCS: cross section  
 DVMP: cross-section, asymmetries

# The SoLID GPD Program

- **Deep Exclusive  $\pi^-$  Production using Transversely Polarized  $^3\text{He}$  Target**
  - G.M. Huber, Z. Ahmed, Z. Ye
  - **Approved as run group with Transverse Pol.  $^3\text{He}$  SIDIS (E12-10-006B)**
- **Timelike Compton Scattering (TCS) with circularly polarized beam and unpolarized LH2 target**
  - Z.W. Zhao, P. Nadel-Turonski, J. Zhang
  - **Approved as run group with  $J/\psi$  (E12-12-006A)**
- **Double Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DDVCS) in di-lepton channel on unpolarized LH2 Target**
  - E. Voter, M. Boer, A. Camsonne, K. Gnanvo, N. Sparveri, Z. Zhao
  - LOI 2015, LOI 2023
- **DVCS on polarized  $^3\text{He}$** 
  - Z. Ye (under study)

# 1. DEMP





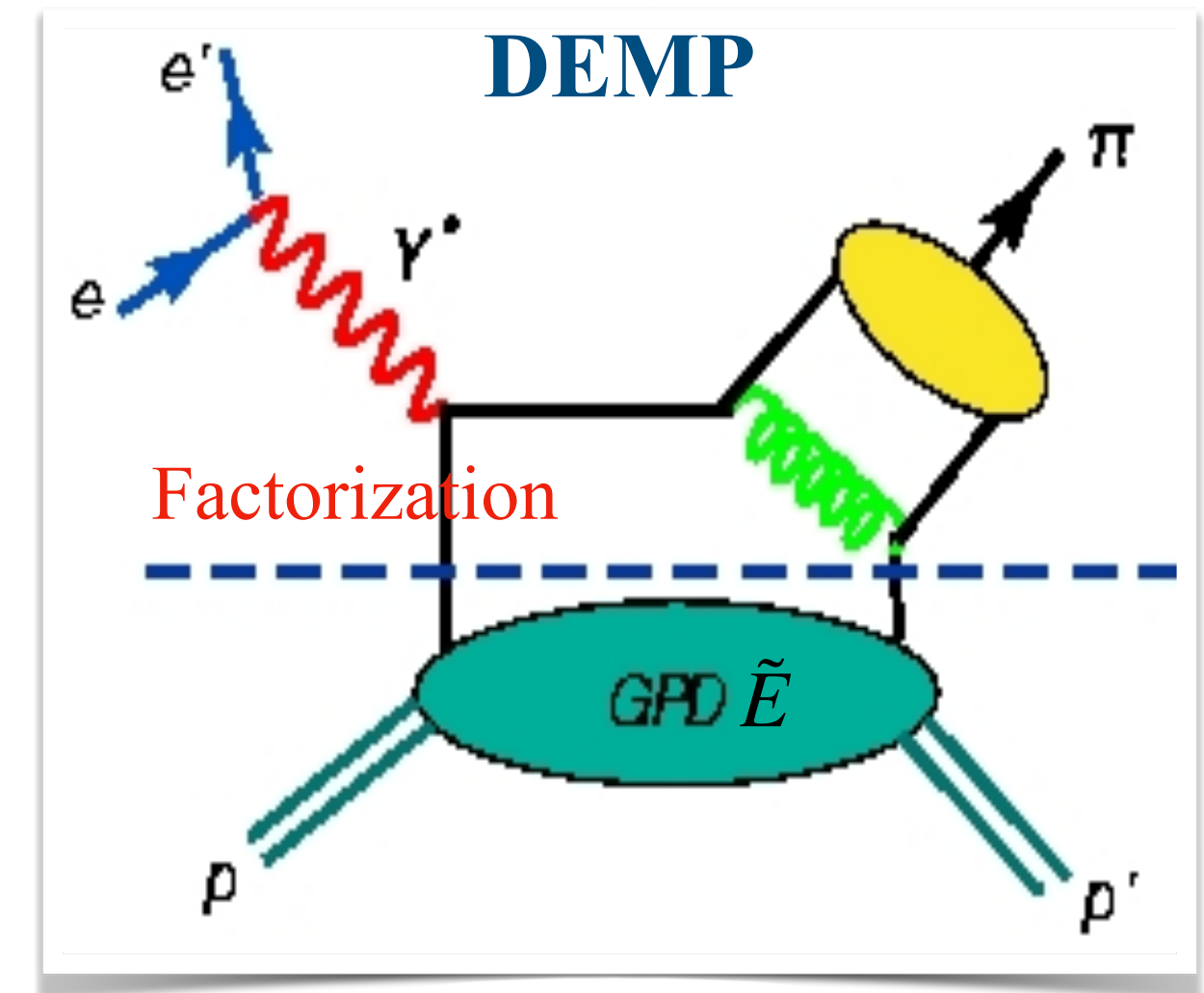
# E12-10-006B: Deep Exclusive $\pi^-$ from Transversely Polarized $n$

## □ Probe GPD $\tilde{E}$ with DEMP

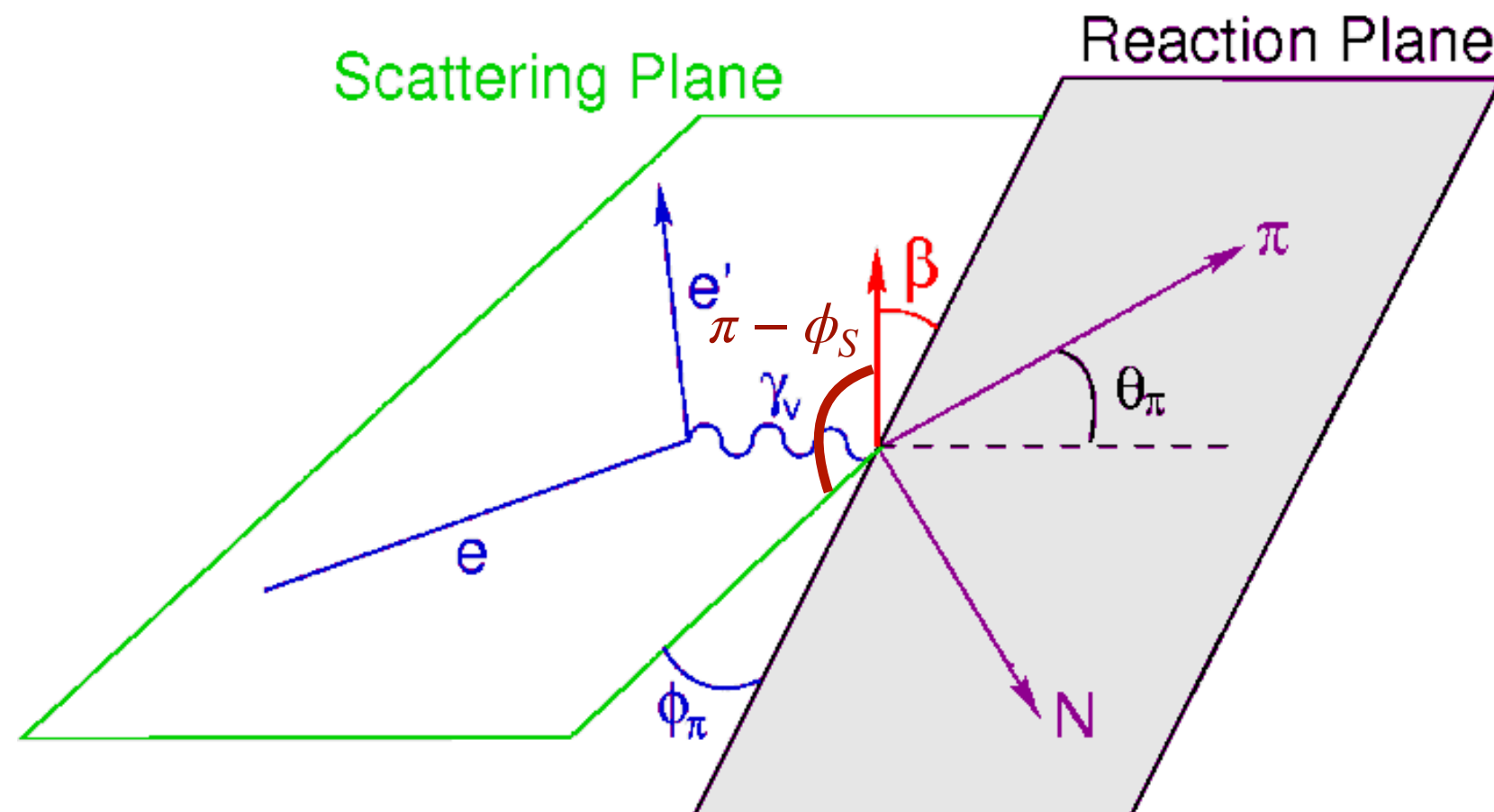
- GPD  $\tilde{E}$  connects to nucleon **Pseudoscalar Form Factor**:

$$\sum_q e_q \int_{-1}^{+1} dx \tilde{E}^q(x, \xi, t) = G_p(t)$$

- $G_p(t)$  is poorly known because it is negligible at the momentum transfer of  $\beta$ -decay
- GPD  $\tilde{E}$  is not related to any already known Parton distributions  $\rightarrow$  **essentially unknown**
- **SOLID experimental measurement can provide new nucleon structure information unlikely to be available from any other sources**



## □ The most sensitive observable to probe $\tilde{E}$ is the transverse single-spin asymmetry in exclusive $\pi$ production:



Fit  $\sin \beta = \sin(\phi - \phi_S)$  dependence to extract asymmetry

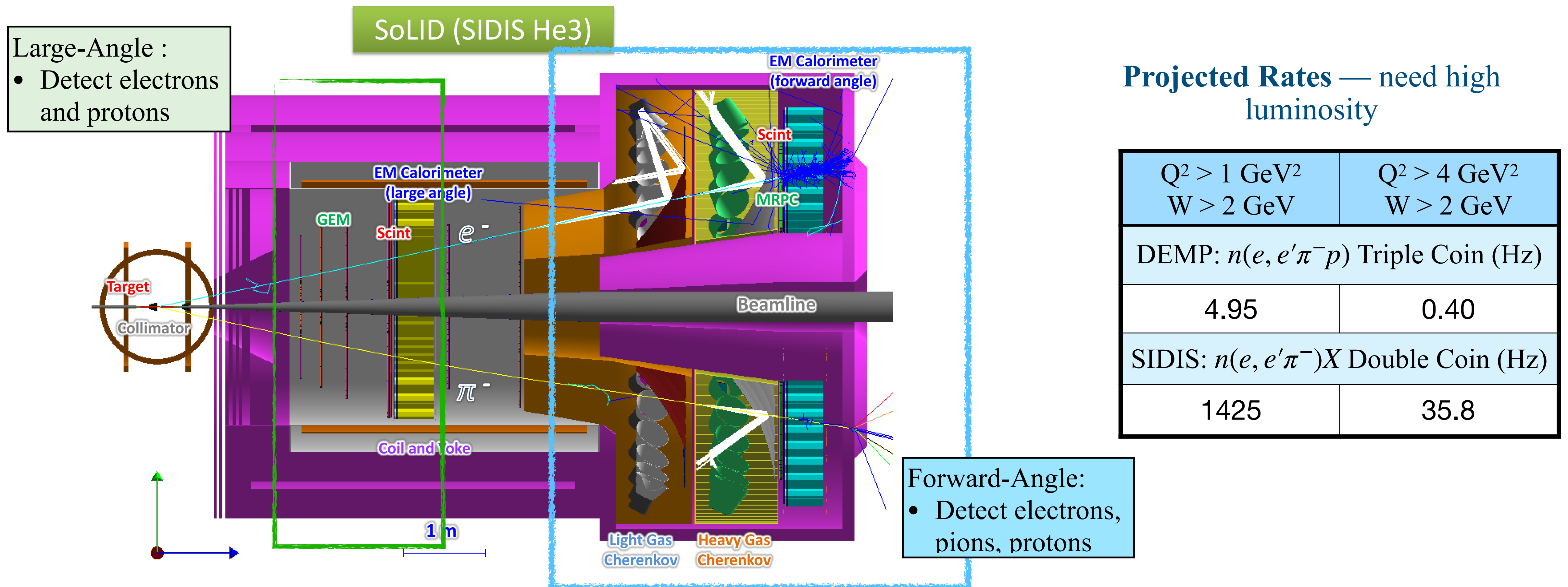
Need large acceptance

$$A_L^\perp = \frac{\left( \int_0^\pi d\beta \frac{d\sigma_L^\pi}{d\beta} - \int_\pi^{2\pi} d\beta \frac{d\sigma_L^\pi}{d\beta} \right)}{\left( \int_0^{2\pi} d\beta \frac{d\sigma_L^\pi}{d\beta} \right)}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{-t'} \pi \xi \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \text{Im}(\tilde{E}^* \tilde{H})}{2m_p (1 - \xi^2) \tilde{H}^2 - \frac{t'^2 \xi^2}{4m_p} \tilde{E}^2 - 2\xi^2 \text{Re}(\tilde{E}^* \tilde{H})}$$

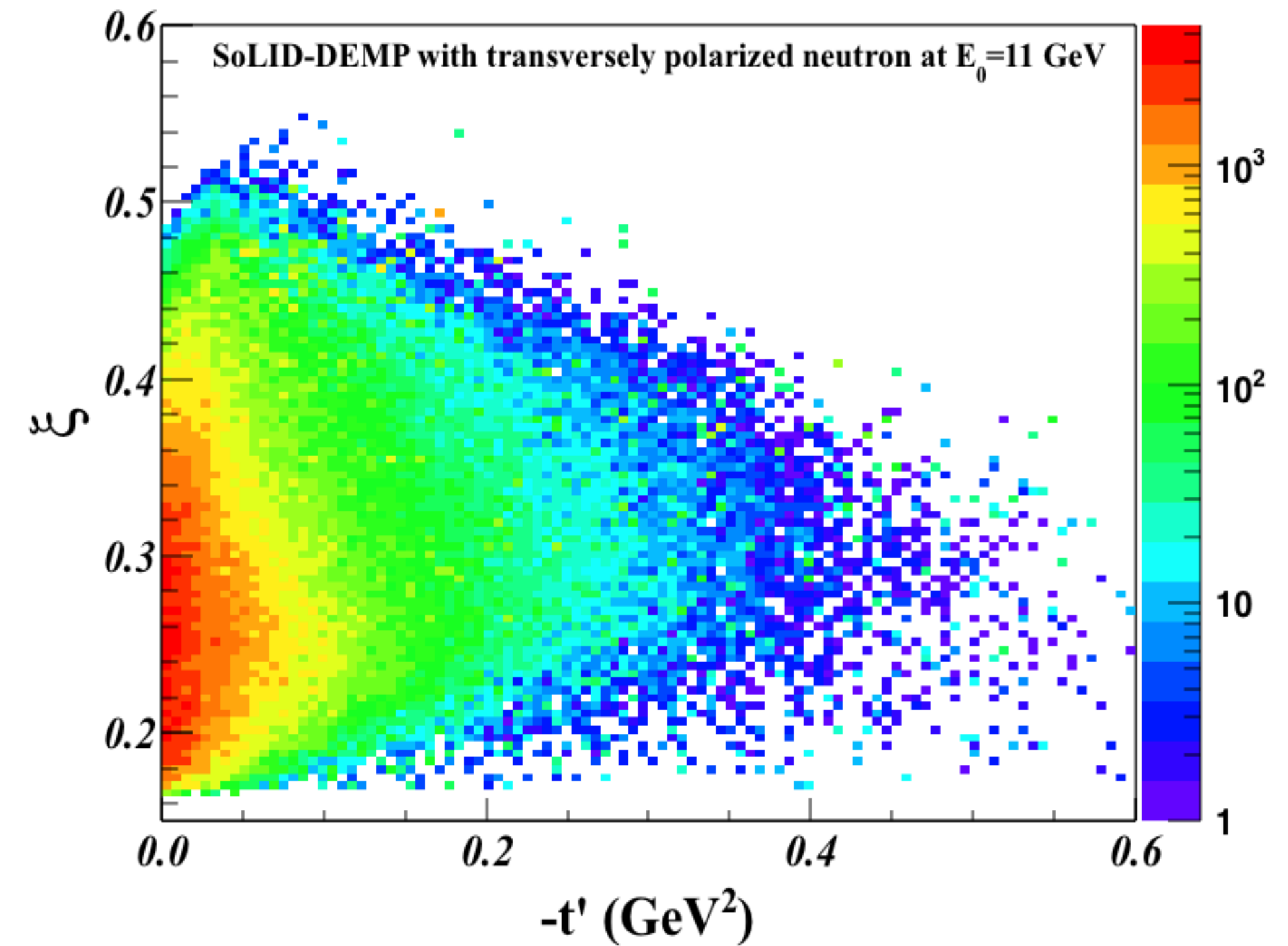
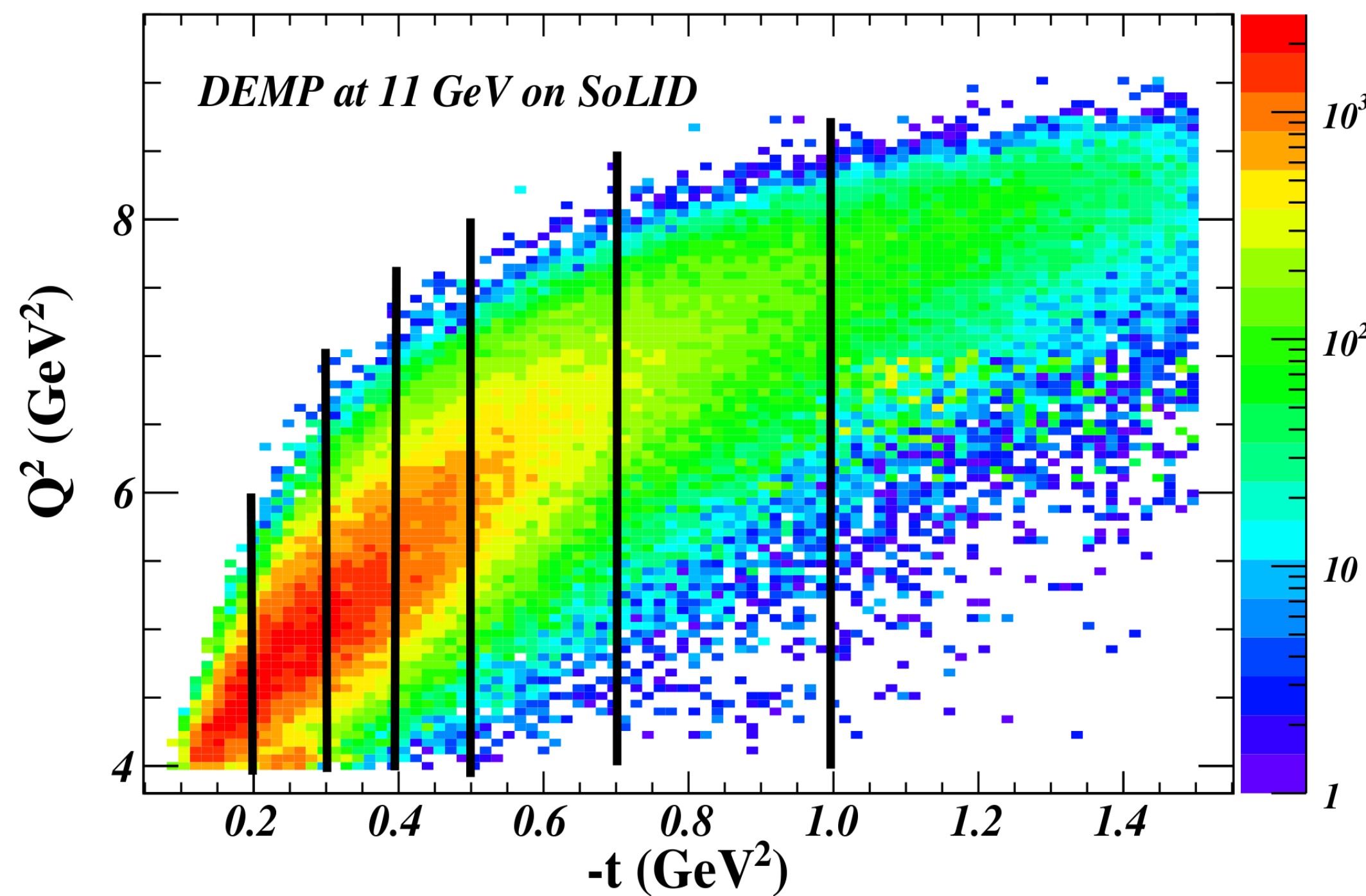
# DEMP — Polarized $^3\text{He}$ SIDIS Configuration

- DEMP run in parallel with SIDIS (E12-10006): 11.0 GeV beam, polarized  $^3\text{He}$  target, 48 days
- **Online Coincidence Trigger (SIDIS):** Electron trigger + Hadron Trigger (pions)
- **Offline analysis:** Identify (tag) protons and form triple-coincidence — No effect to SIDIS Experiment



# E12-10-006B: Deep Exclusive $\pi^-$ from Transversely Polarized $n$

- Data binned into 7  $t$ -bins, concentrating on the  $Q^2 > 4\text{GeV}^2$  region of greatest physics interest
- HERMES and COMPASS experiments are restricted kinematically to very **small skewness** ( $\xi < 0.1$ )
- With SoLID, we can measure the skewness dependence of the relevant GPDs over a fairly large range of  $\xi$

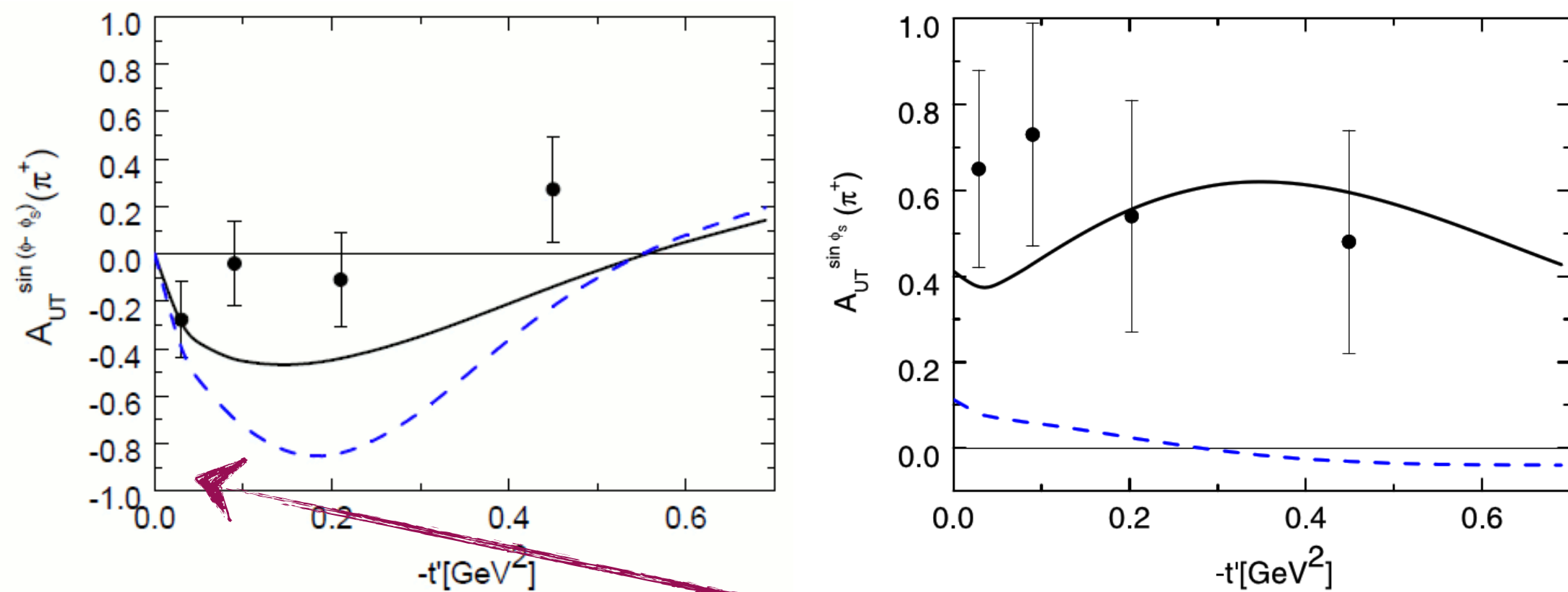


# E12-10-006B: Deep Exclusive $\pi^-$ from Transversely Polarized $n$

- A wide  $-t$  coverage needed to obtain good understanding of the transverse single spin asymmetry
- SoLID's large acceptance and high luminosity well-suited to this measurement
- *World unique, cannot be done anywhere else*

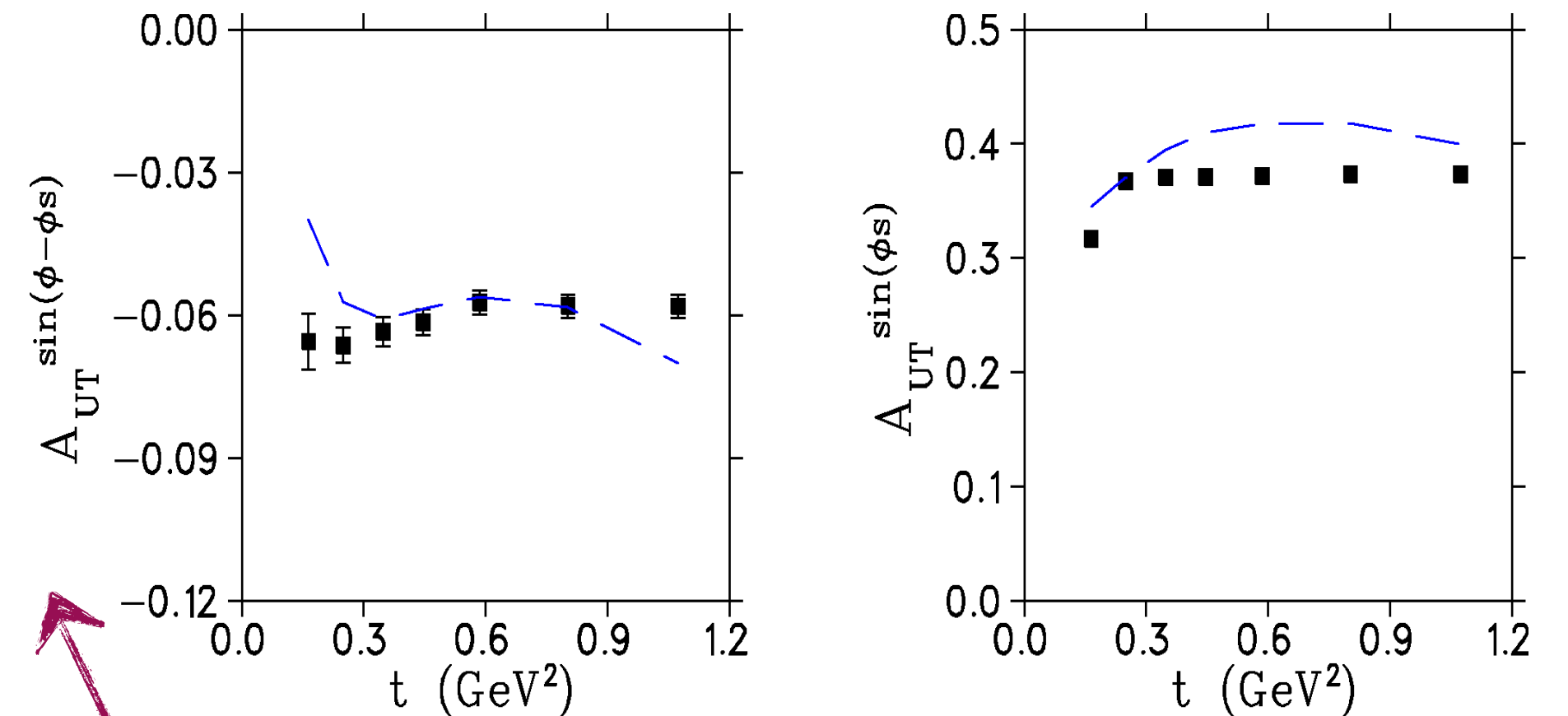
World Data: HERMES

Pioneering measurement [PLB 682(2010)345]



SoLID Projected Uncertainties

Proton is tagged to isolate exclusive  $\pi^-$  events

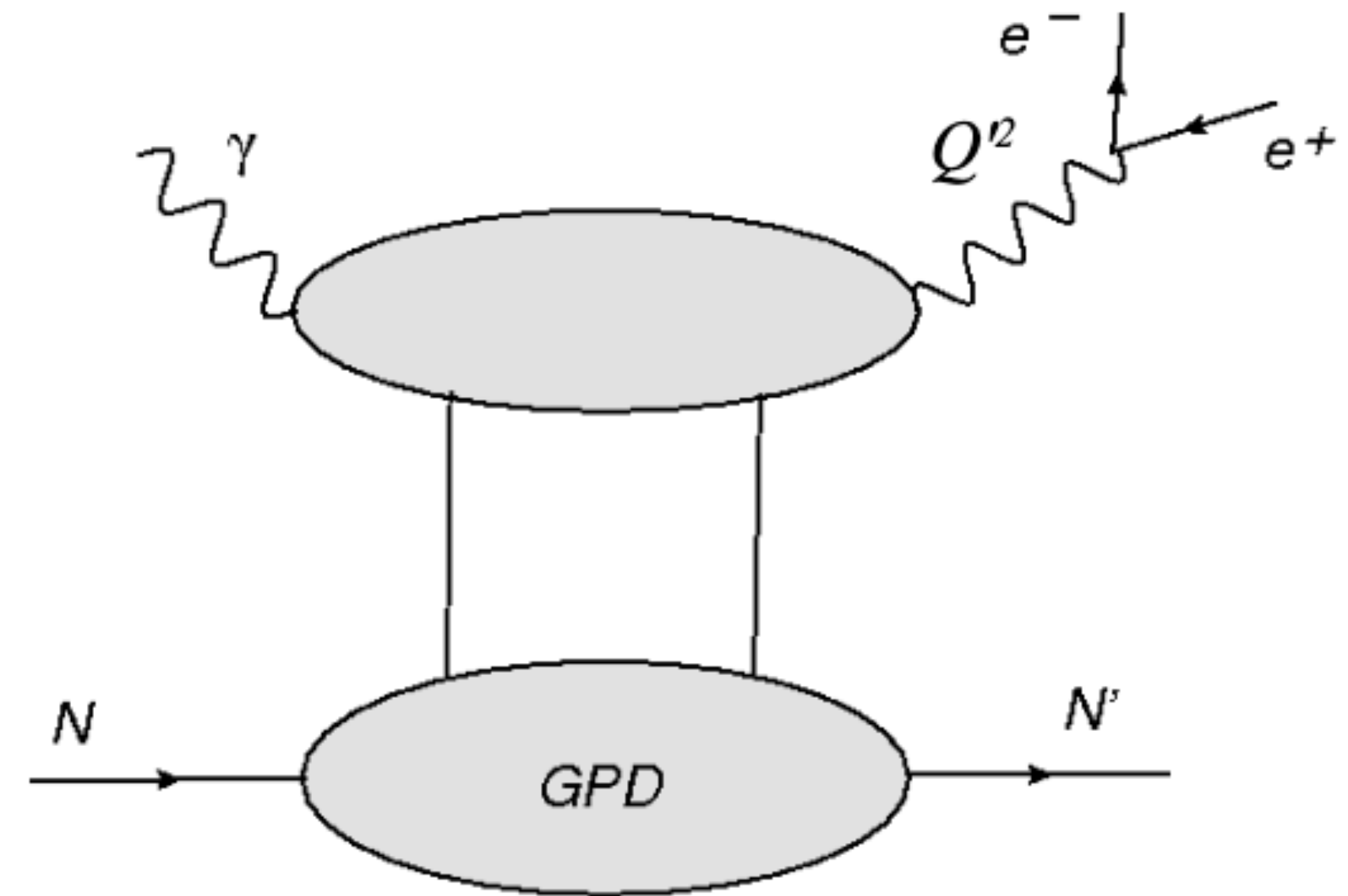


HERMES data &

Solid and dash line: Handbag calculation by Goloskokov and Kroll Eur. Phys. J. C 65, 137 (2010)

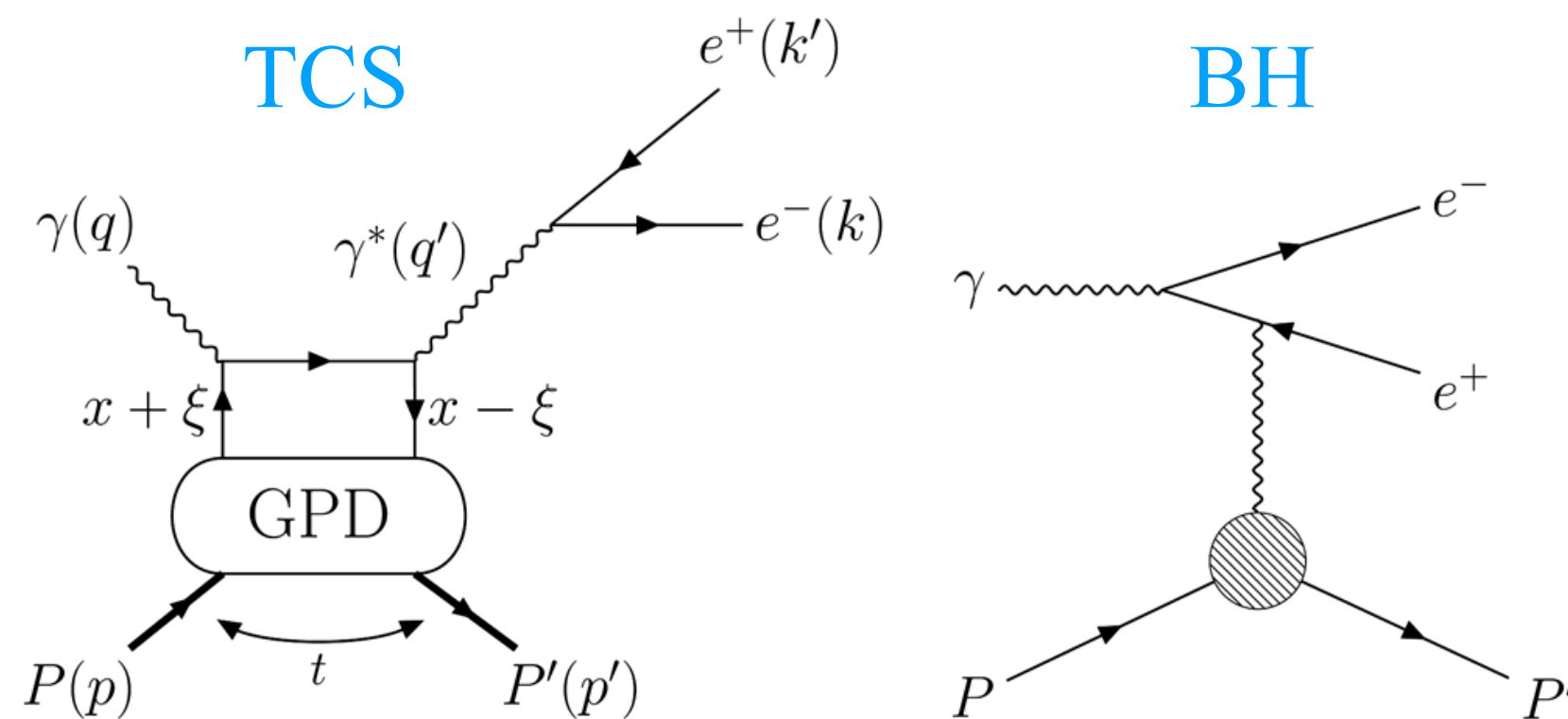
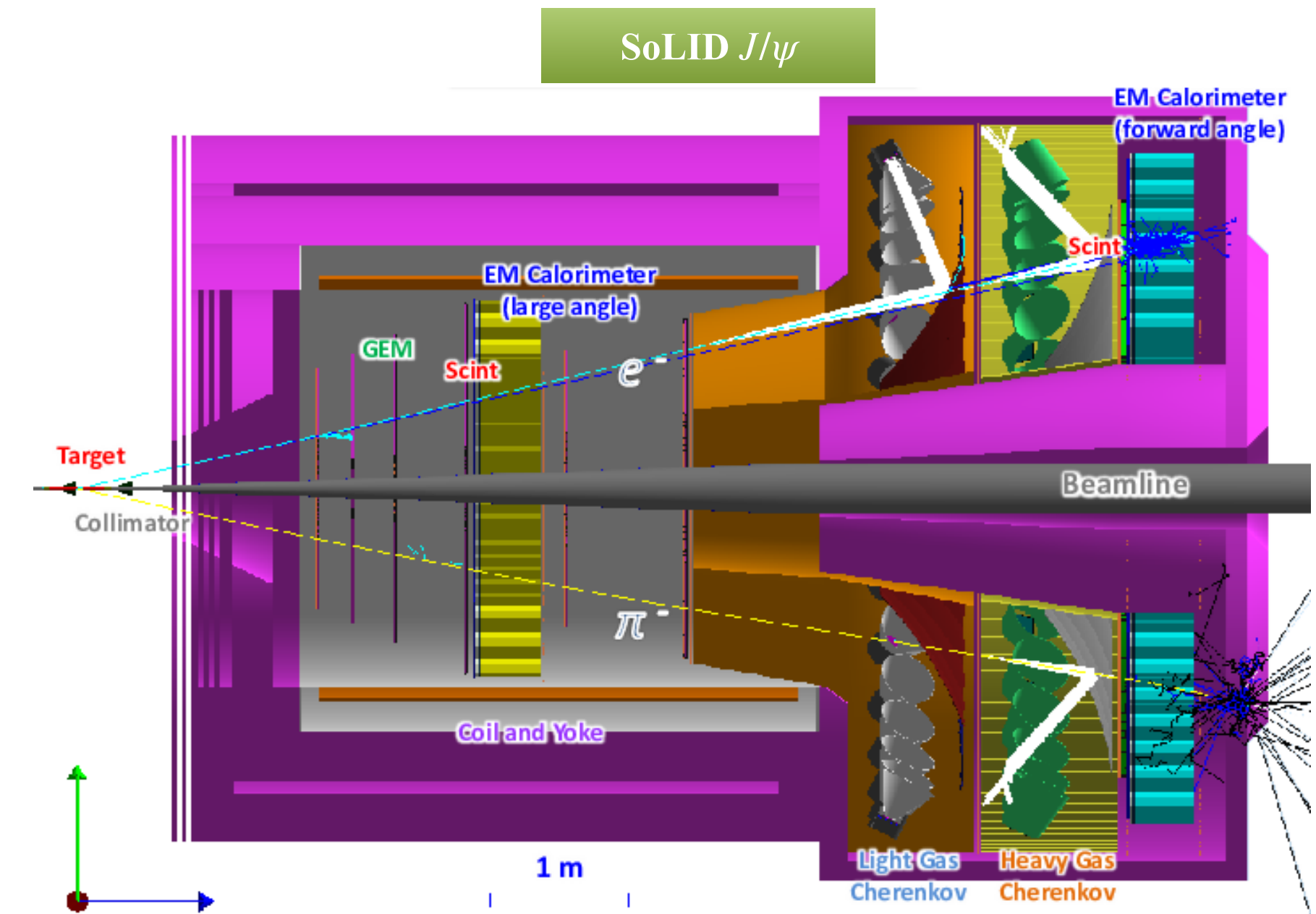
*Notice the different axes scale: Significant improvement on uncertainties*

## 2. TCS

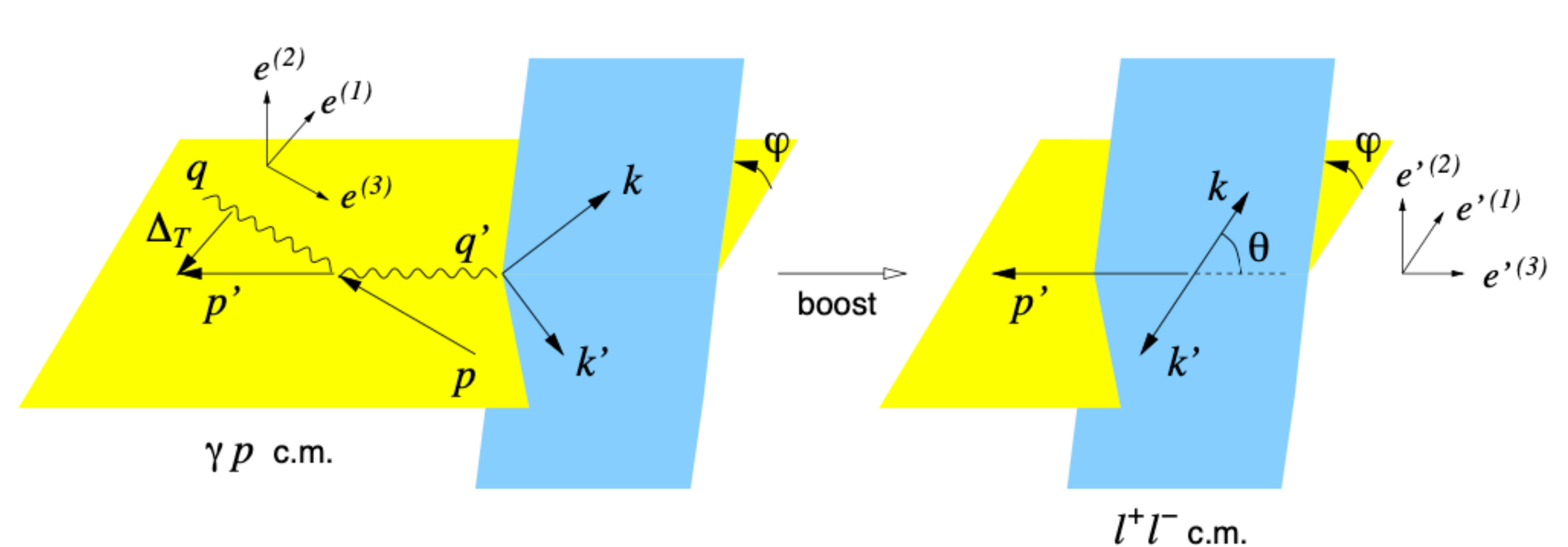


# E12-12-006A: TCS with Circular Polarized Beam and LH2 Target

- Approved as run group with SoLID  $J/\psi$  (E12-12-006)
- Sharing the beam time and using the same trigger on decay  $e^-e^+$  pair only
- Motivation
  - Access real and imaginary part of GPD  $H$  through CFF
  - Access the same GPDs like DVCS and test universality
  - New observables for global GPD fits

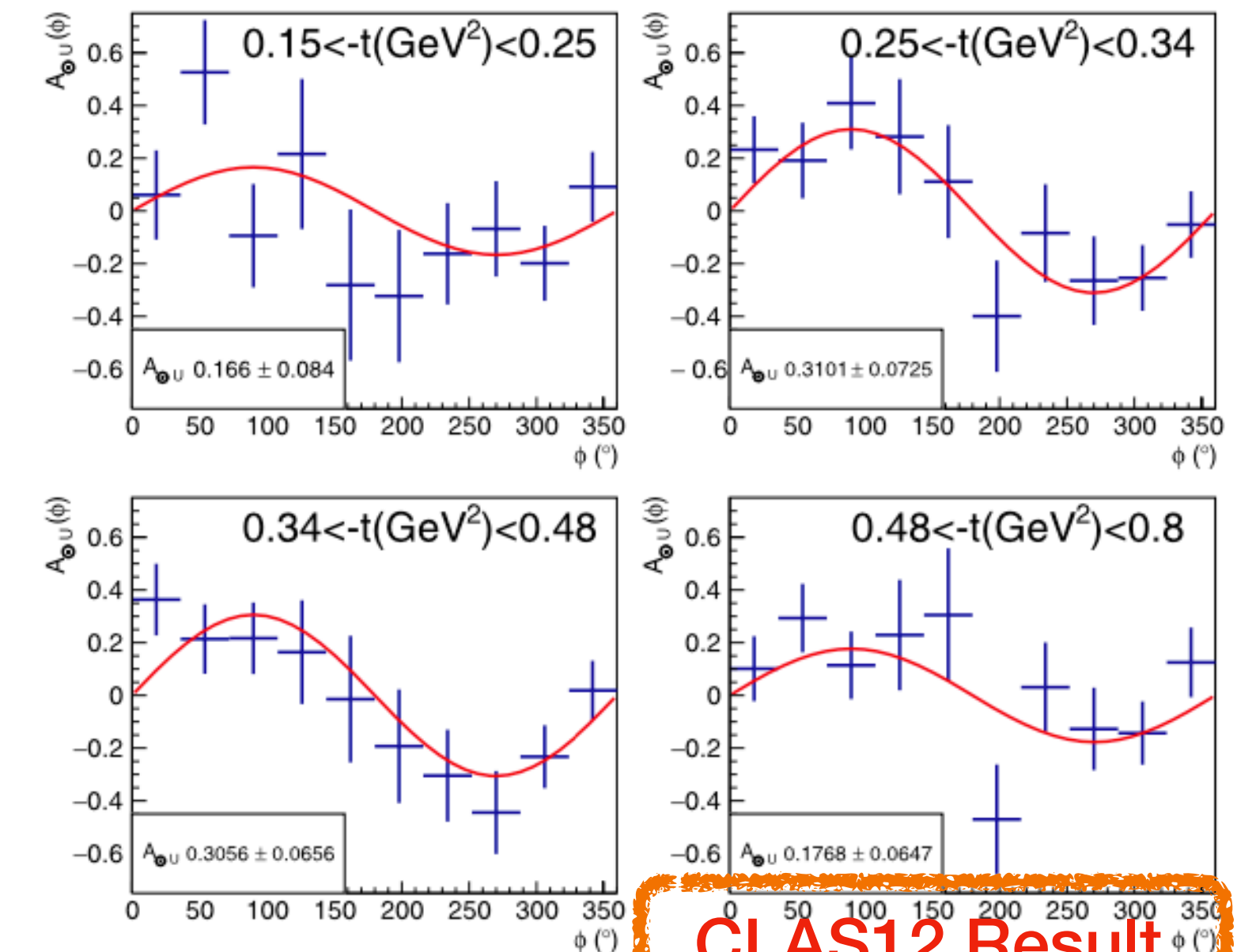


$$\gamma p \rightarrow \gamma^*(e^+e^-)p'$$

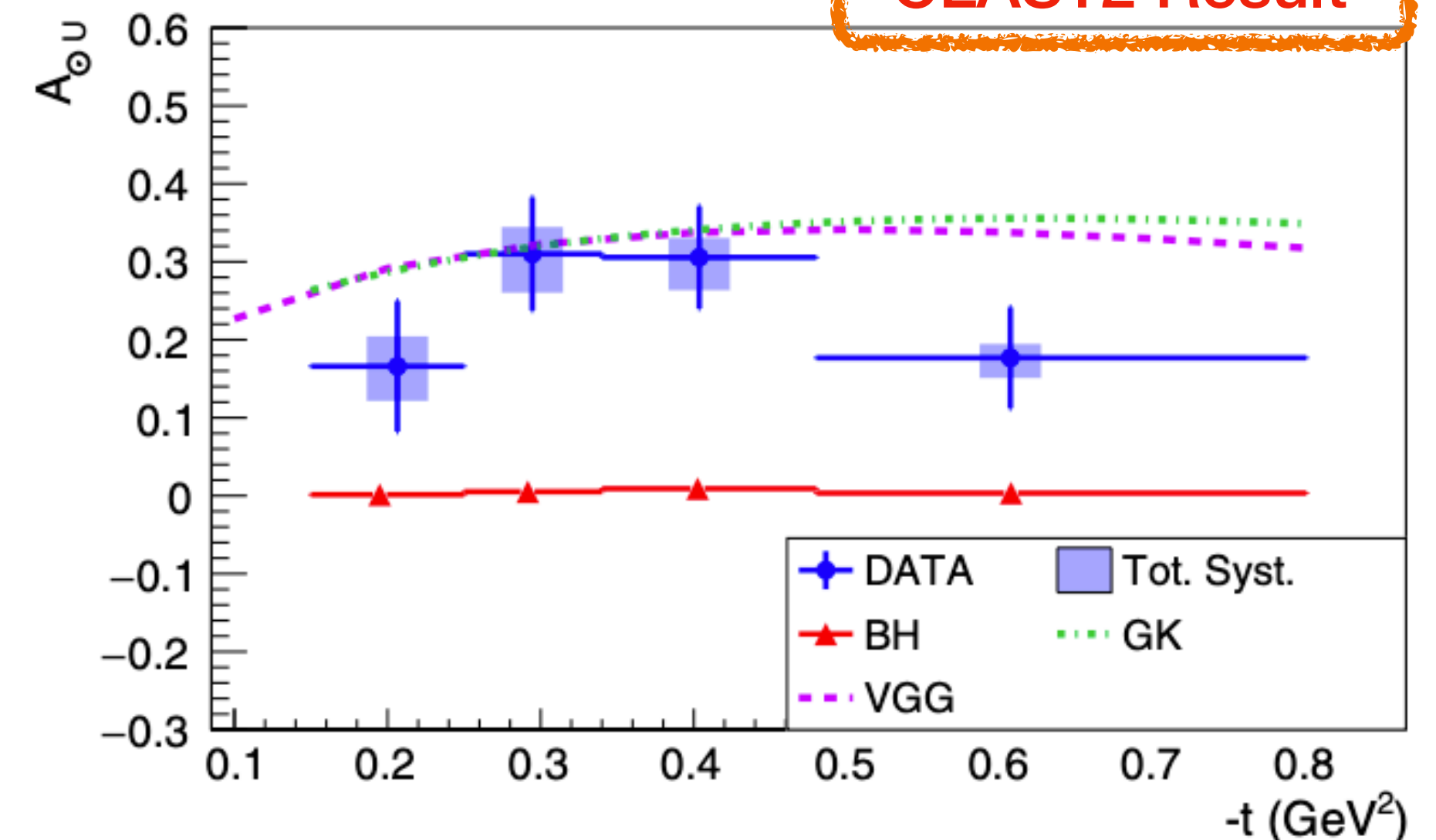
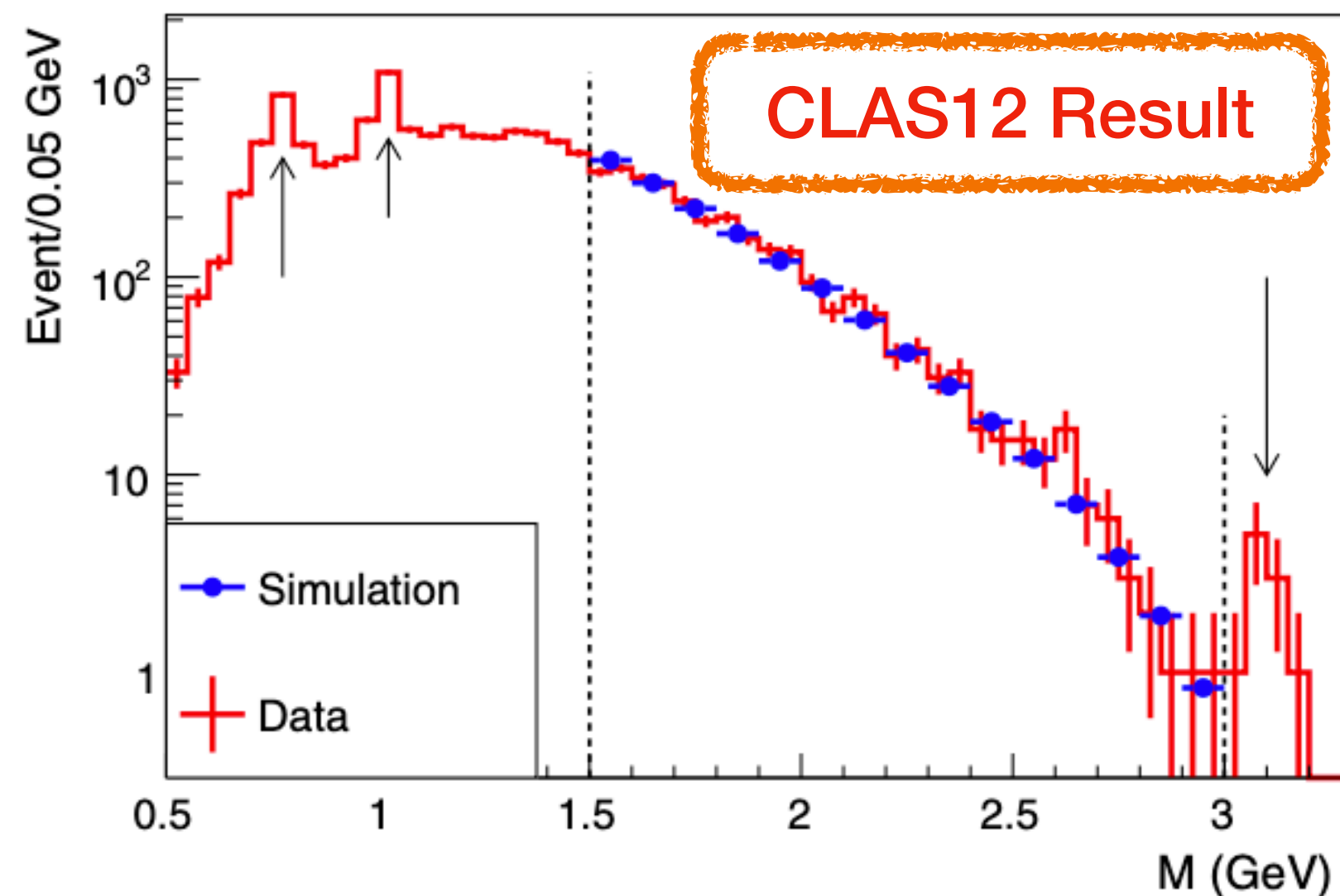


# E12-12-006A: TCS with Circular Polarized Beam and LH2 Target

- SoLID extends CLAS12 measurements
- Promising TCS measurement results from CLAS12
  - photon beam polarization asymmetry:
 
$$A_{\odot U}(-t, E_\gamma, M; \phi) = \frac{1}{P_b} \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-},$$
  - First ever TCS measurement result at CLAS12 published at [PRL, 127, 262501\(2021\)](#) obtained **nonzero** beam polarization asymmetry  $A_{\odot U}$  (**GPD universality**) and forward-backward asymmetry  $A_{FB}$  (**access D-term**)
  - Limited by low statistics



**CLAS12 Result**



# E12-12-006A: TCS with Circular Polarized Beam and LH2 Target

- SoLID TCS will have at least 1 order larger statistics than CLAS12 and usher TCS study into **precision era** with **multi-dimensional binning**
  - 15 cm LH2 target, 3  $\mu$ A current,  $1.2 \times 10^{37}/cm^2/s$  luminosity, 50 + 10 days
  - SoLID TCS has **250 times more integrated luminosity** than the CLAS12 TCS published result
  - SoLID acceptance to TCS events is about 1/4 of CLAS12, but with full azimuthal coverage, (ideal for the forward-backward asymmetry)

□ Cross-section measurement (moment): 
$$R = \frac{2 \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \cos \phi \frac{dS}{dQ^2 dt d\phi}}{\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \frac{dS}{dQ^2 dt d\phi}}$$

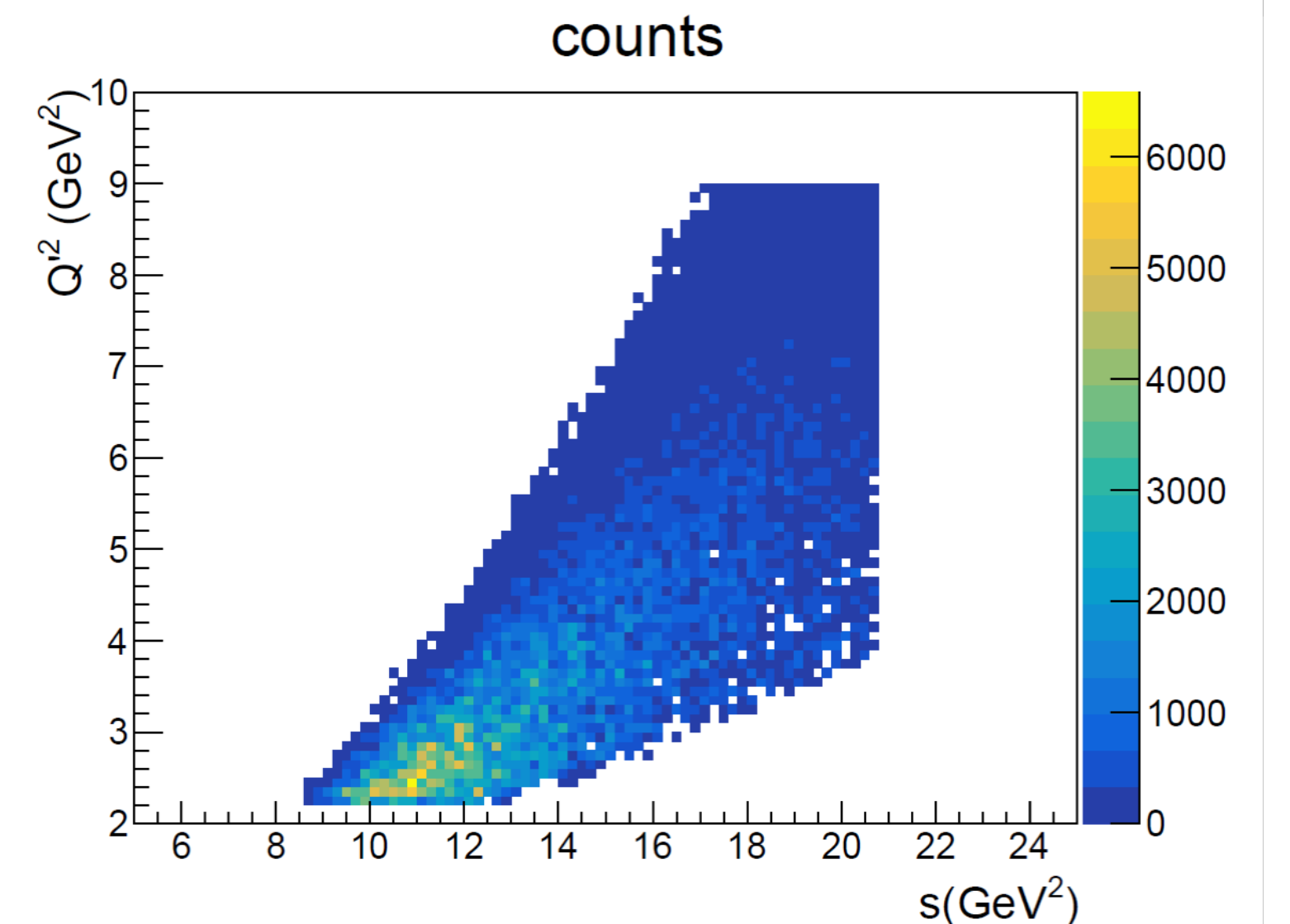
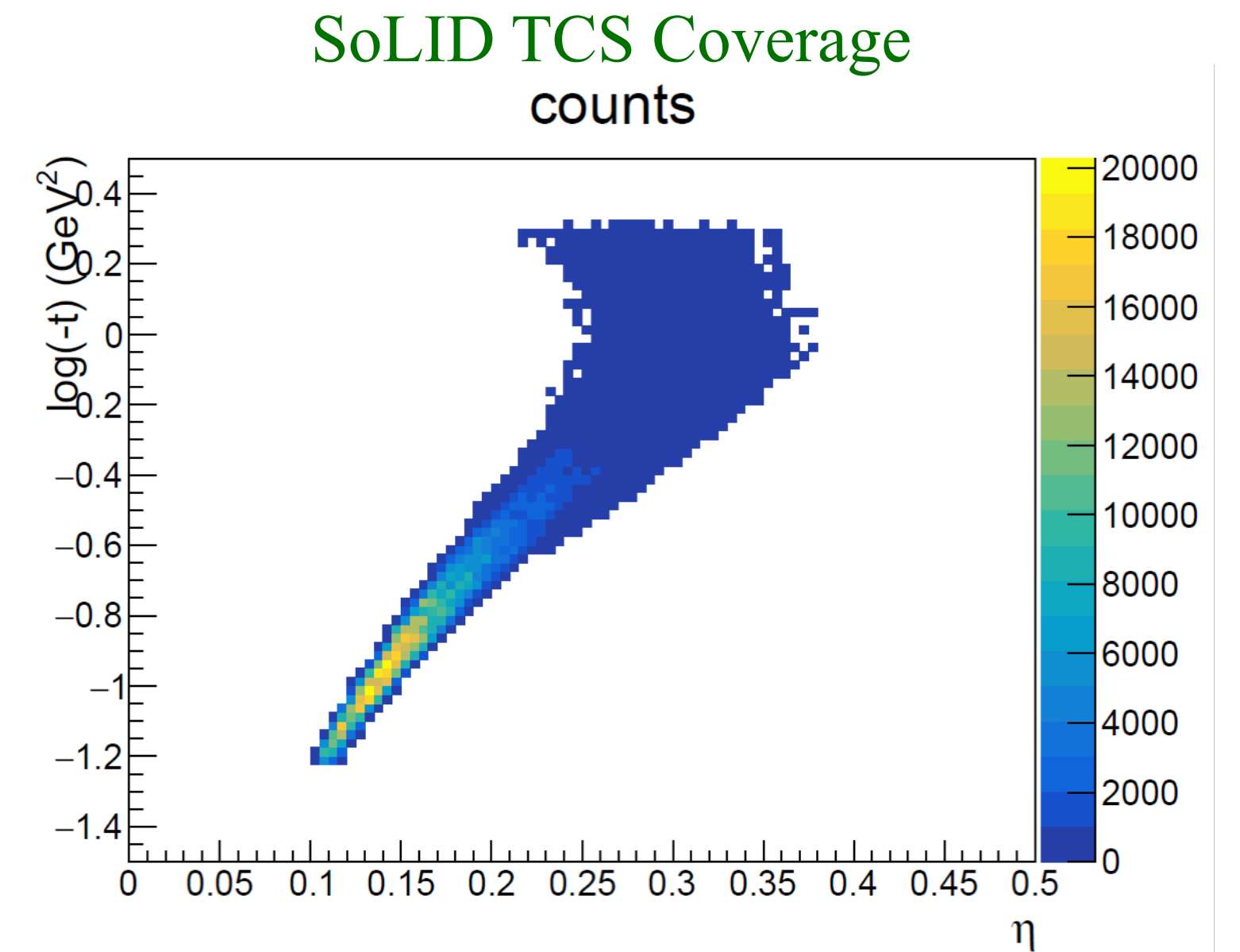
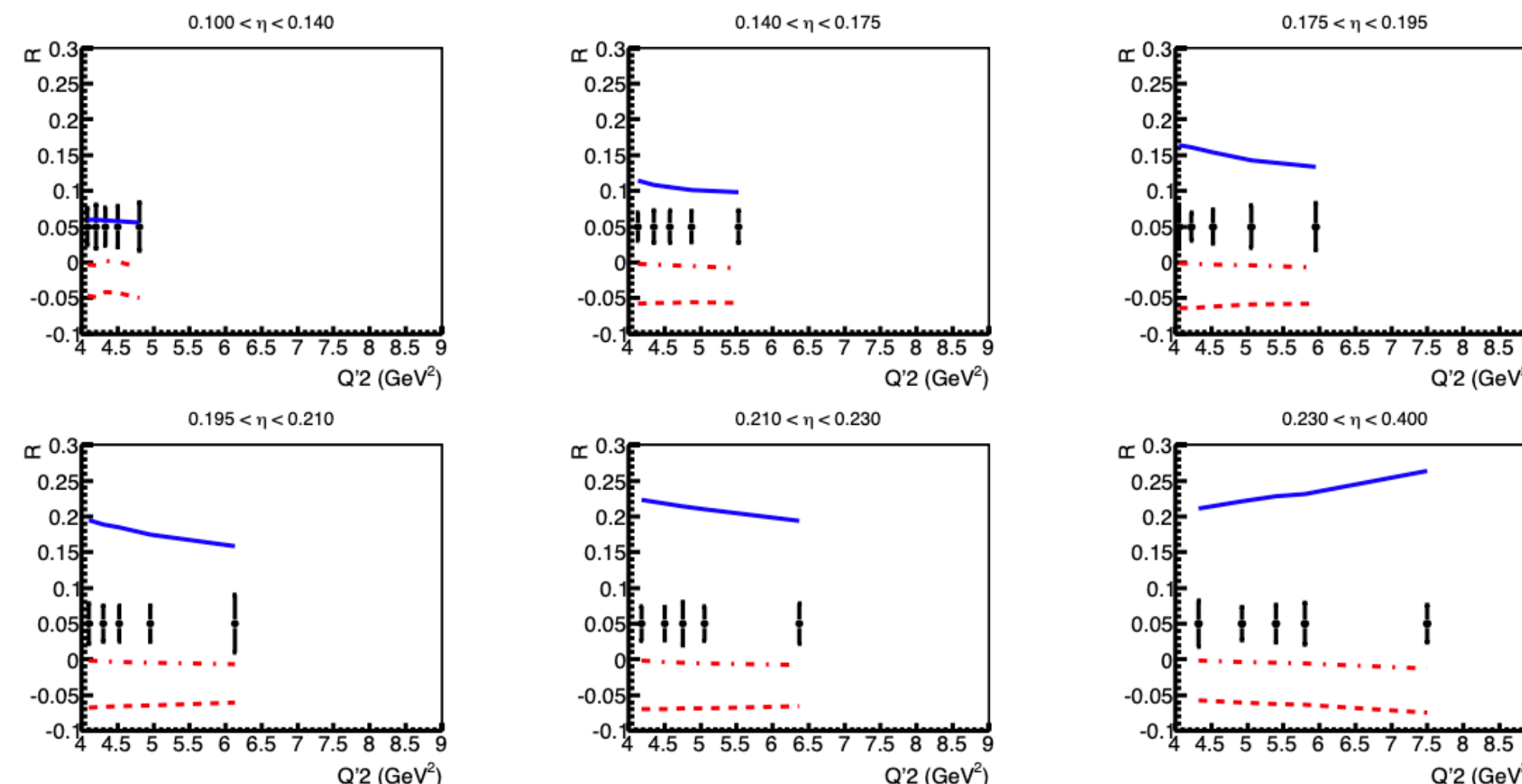
- SoLID TCS could lead to study of NLO correction*

**Projected R uncertainties:** cosine moment of the cross section (leading order, leading twist)

Solid blue line: dual parametrization GPD model

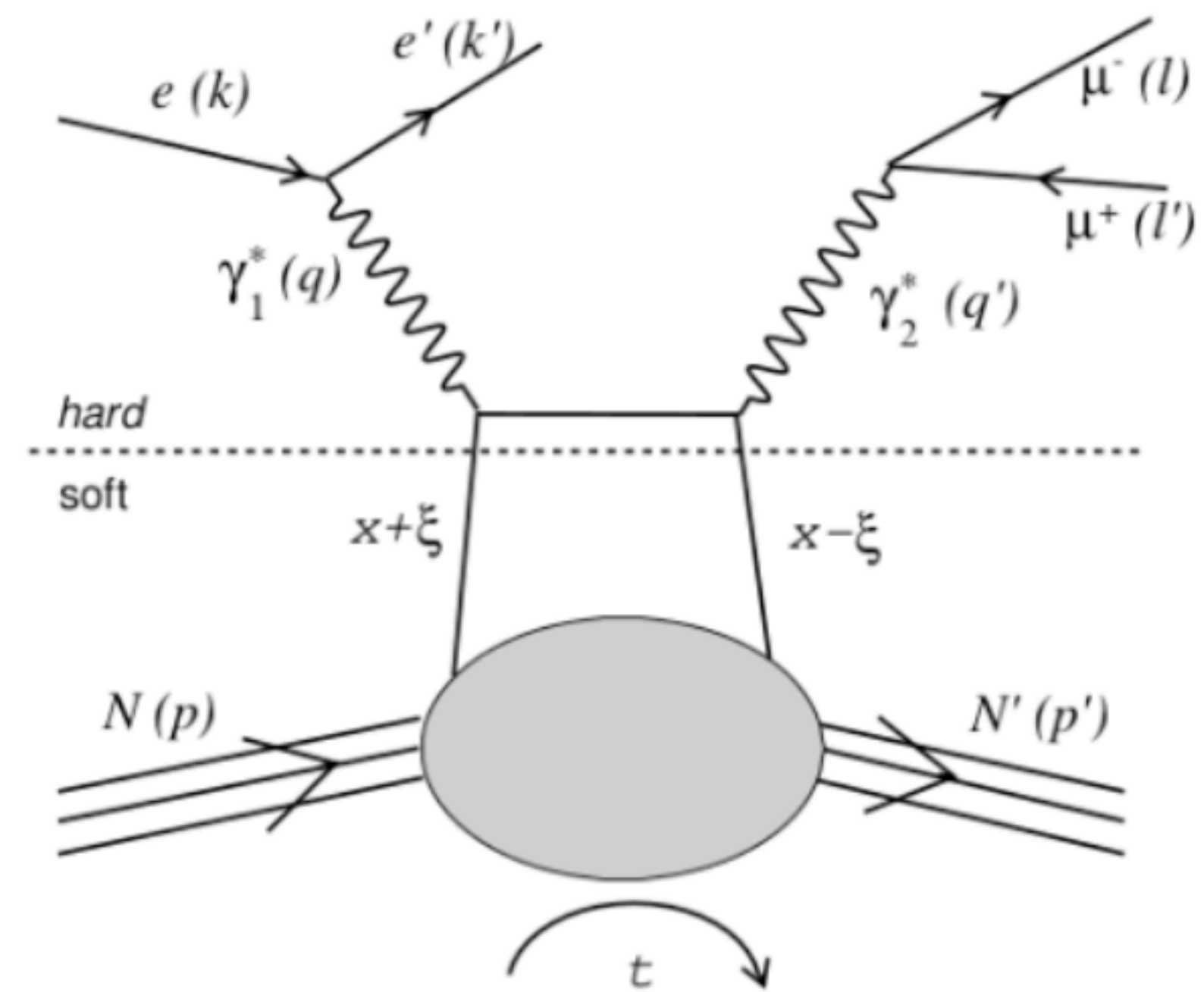
Middle dash line: double distribution with D-term

Bottom dash line: without D-term





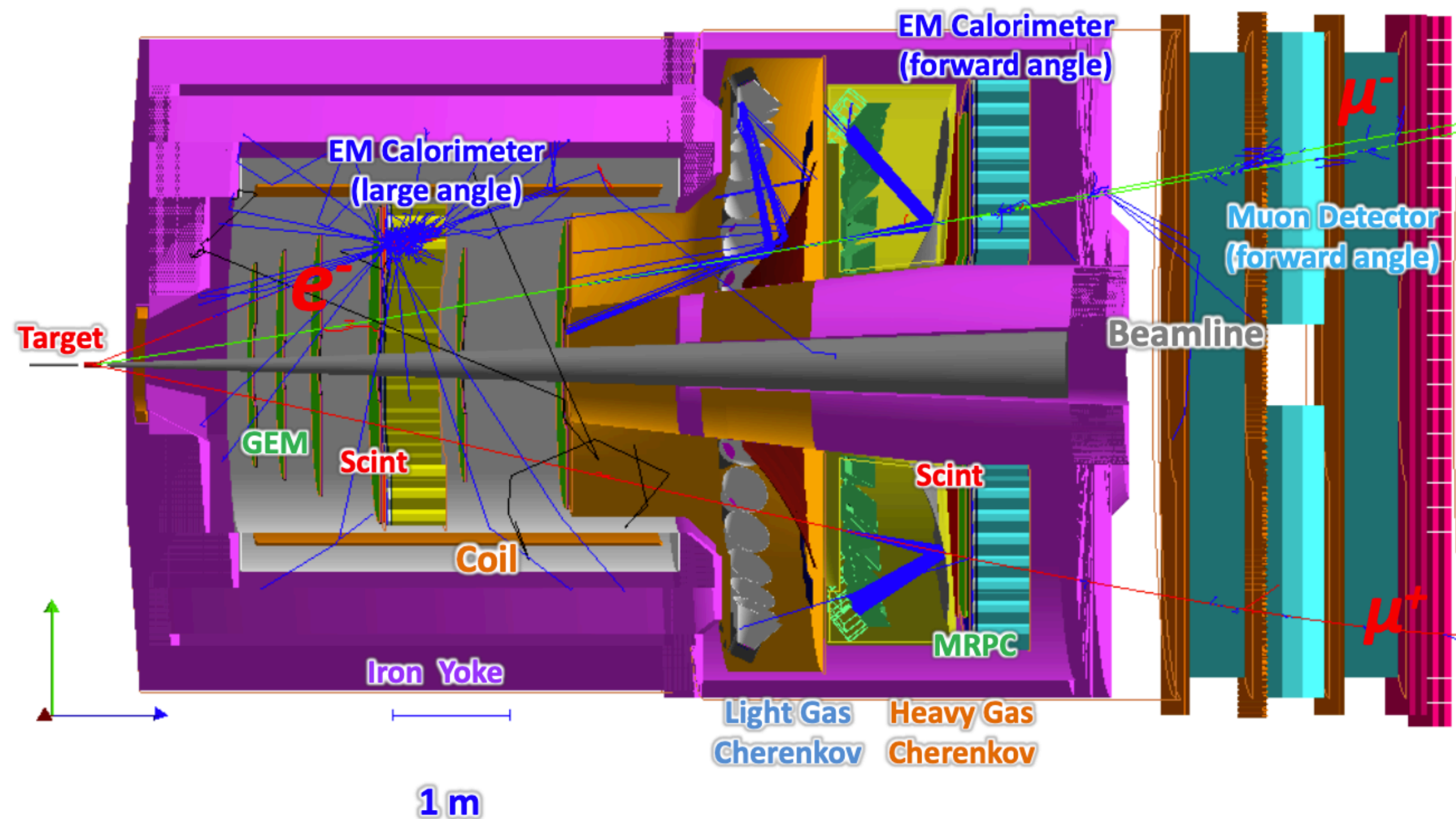
### 3. DDVCS



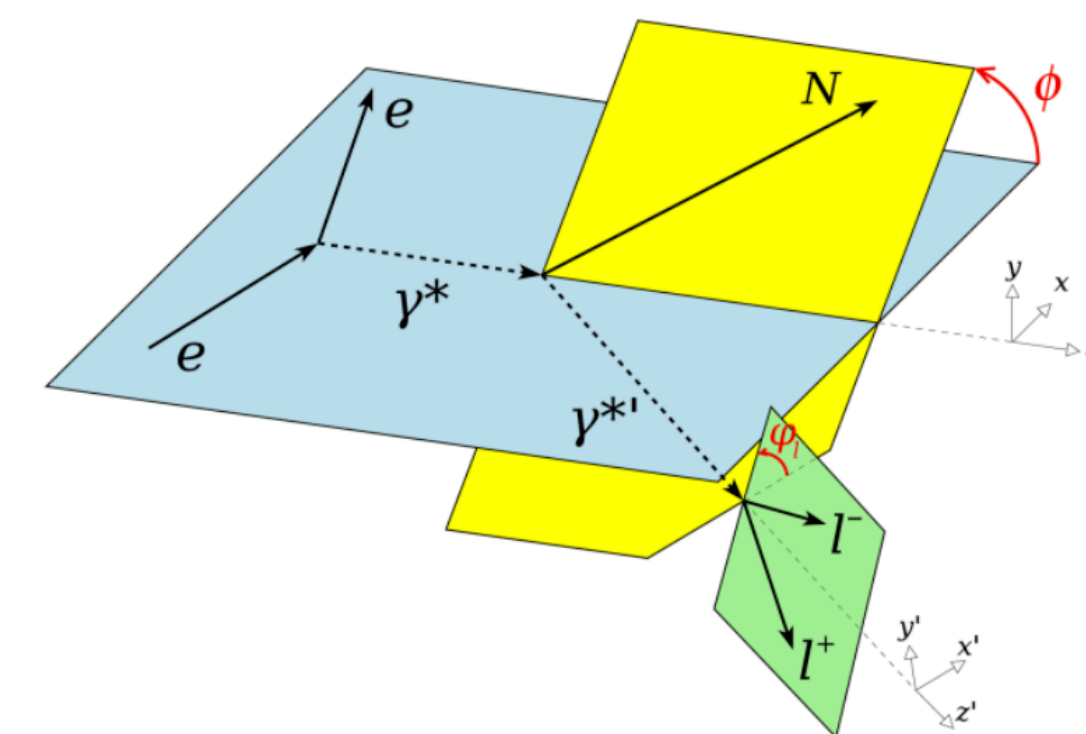
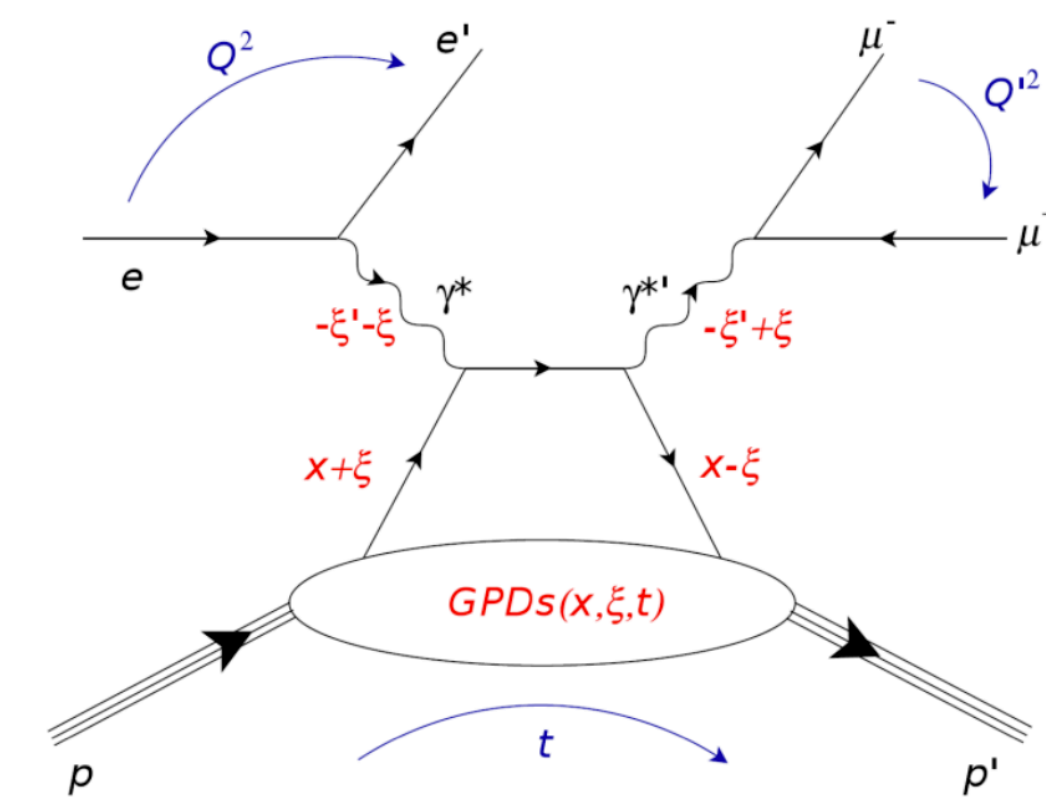
# DDVCS with circular polarized beam and LH2 target

- Under development — **Letter of Intent 2015 and 2023**
- Double Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering explores wide **off-axis kinematic region** of GPDs, beyond DVCS and TCS
- SoLID, with added muon detectors at forward angle, enables DDVCS measurements with both polarized **electron** and **positron** beams at **11 GeV**
- Share running time and inspect muon channels as well for  $J/\psi$  and TCS

## SoLID DDVCS



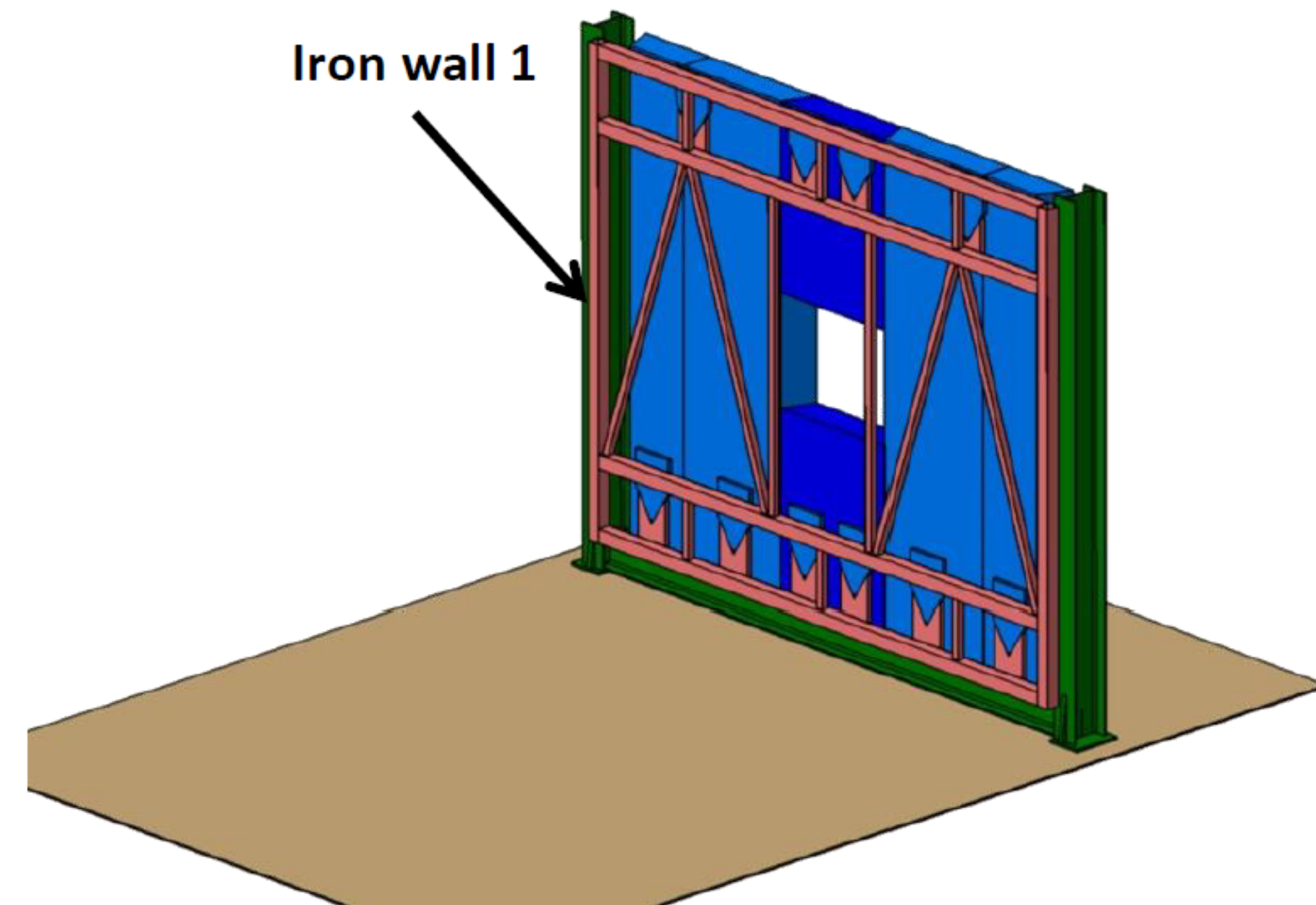
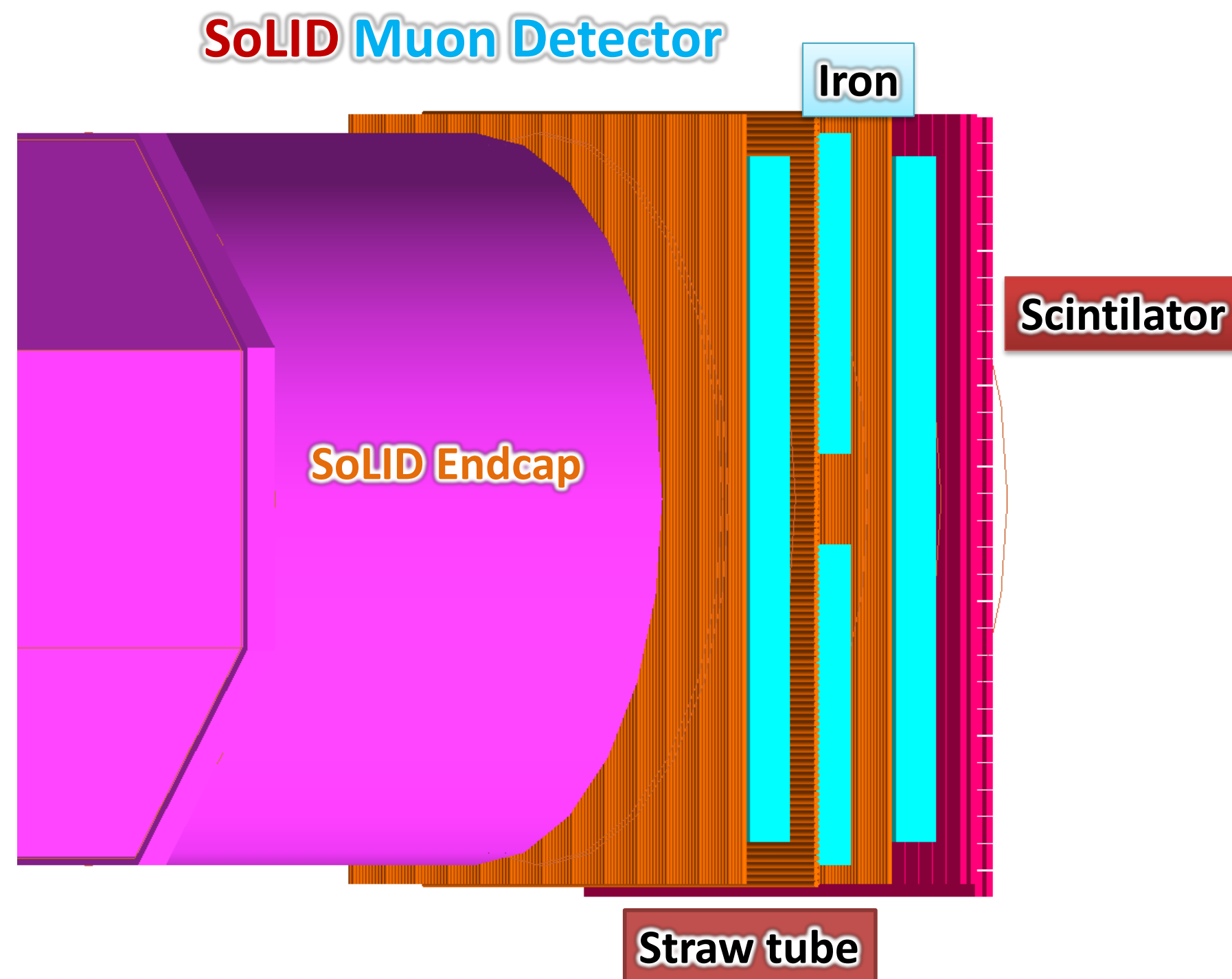
$$e^-p \rightarrow e^- \gamma^* (\mu^- \mu^+) p'$$



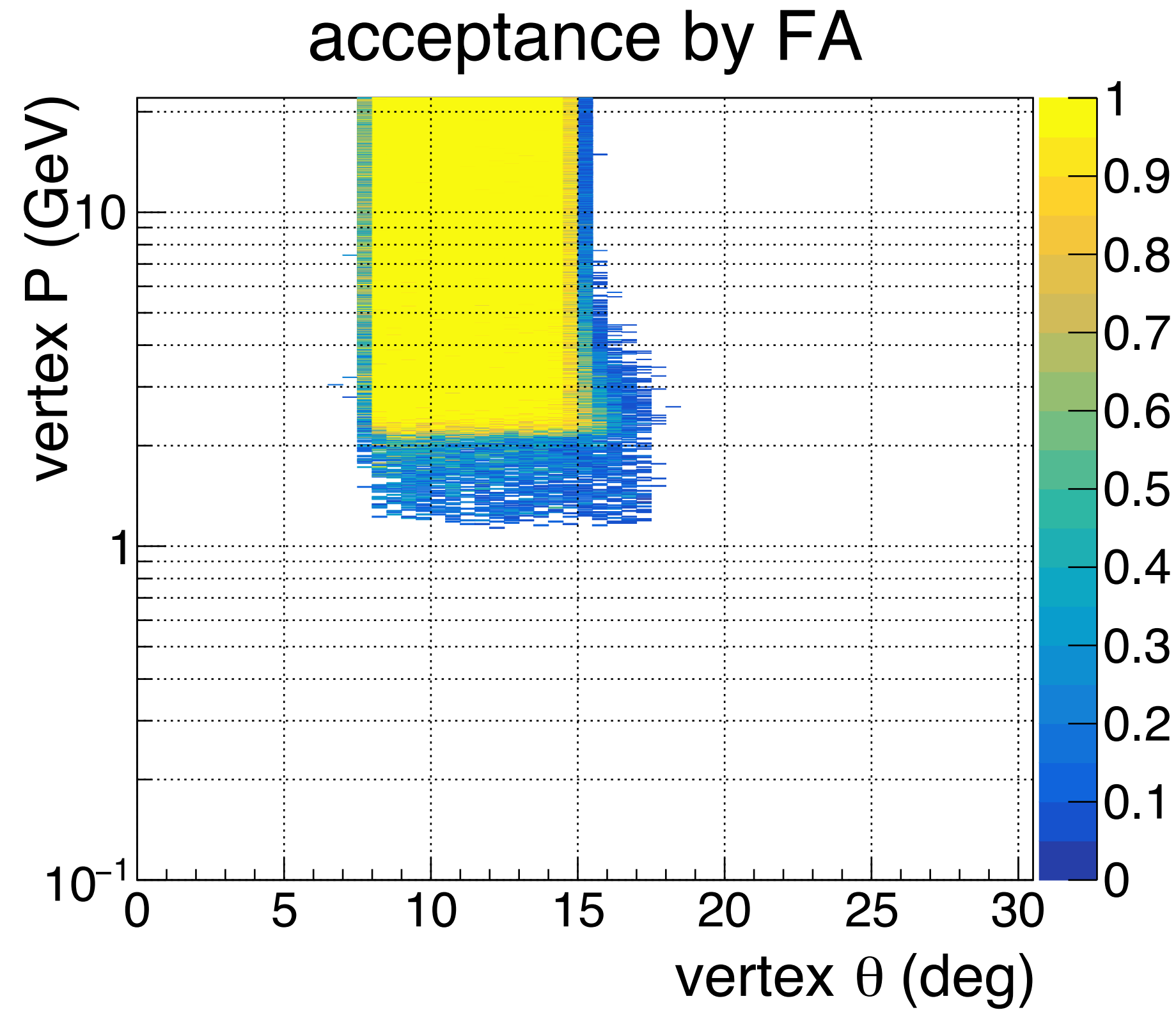
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# SoLID Muon Detector

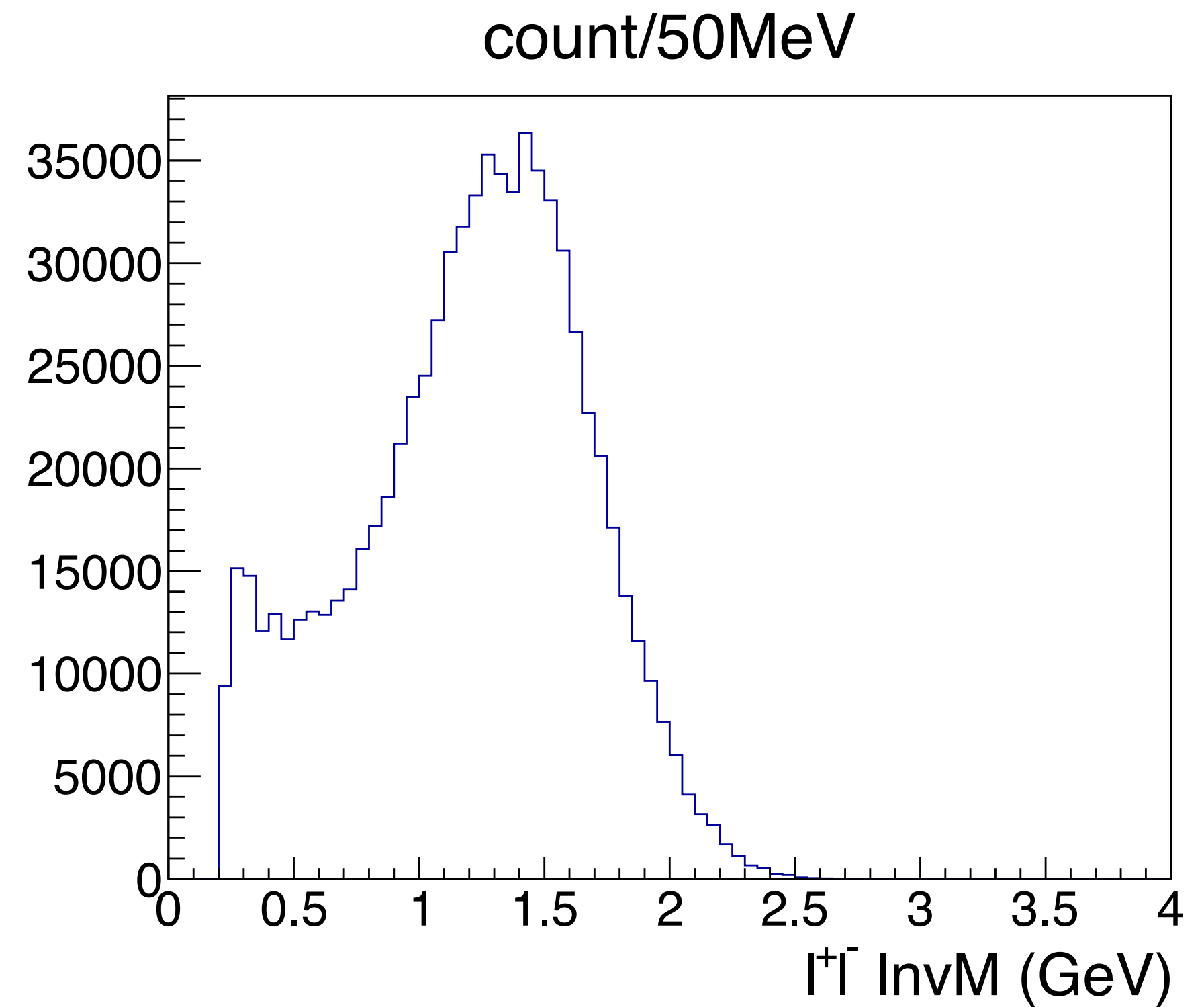
- Di-muon channel:  $e^-p \rightarrow e^- \gamma^*(\mu^- \mu^+) p'$
- SoLID  $J/\psi$  configuration + muon detector (iron plate + scintillator)
- Iron plate to block pion, straw tube for tracking, and scintillator for trigger



# DDVCS with circular polarized beam and LH2 target



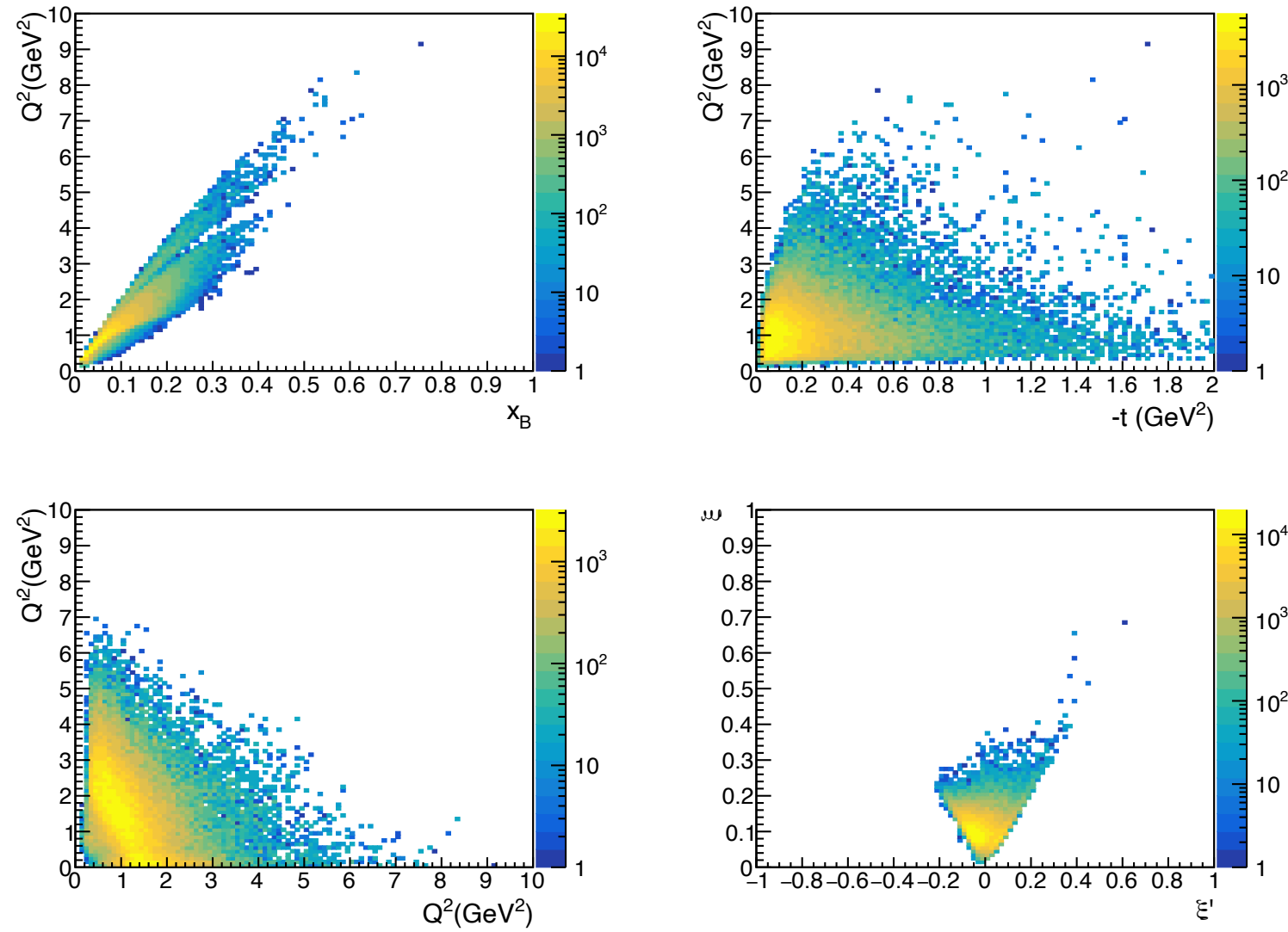
$\mu$  acceptance forward angle



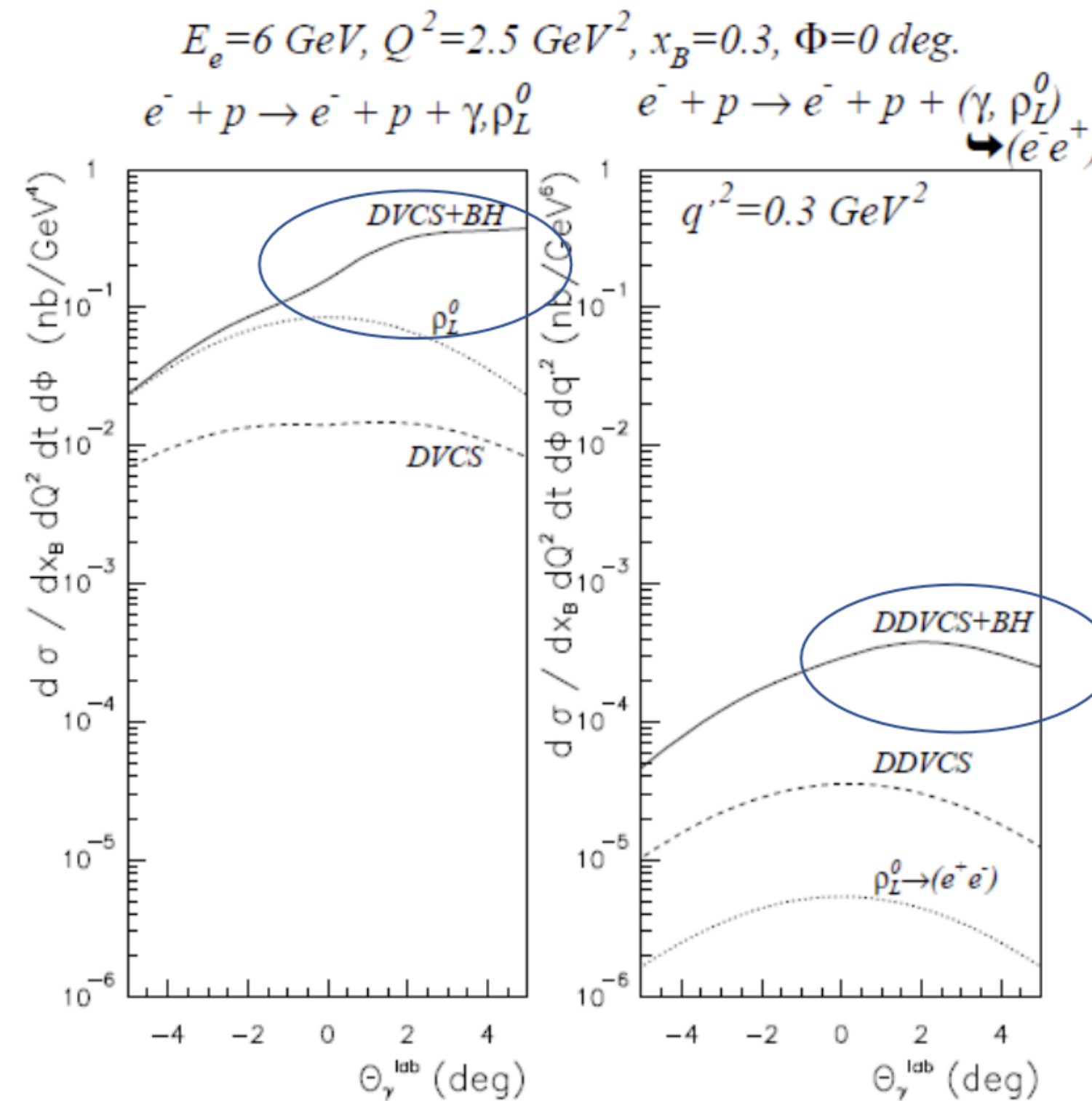
Total expected BH muon pairs  
detected for the run time

# DDVCS with circular polarized beam and LH2 target

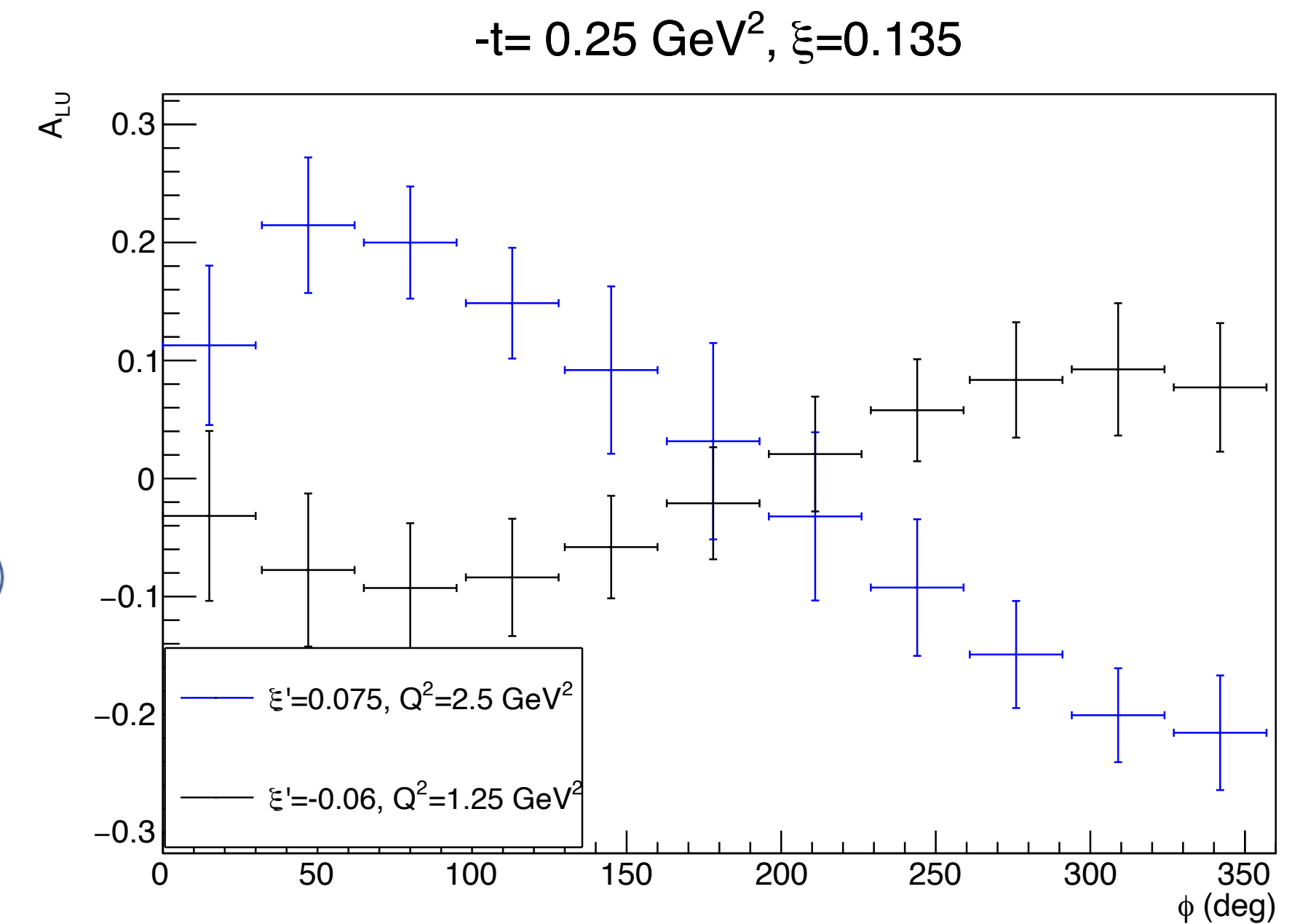
## Kinematics coverage



## Extremely low cross section



## Projected BSA results

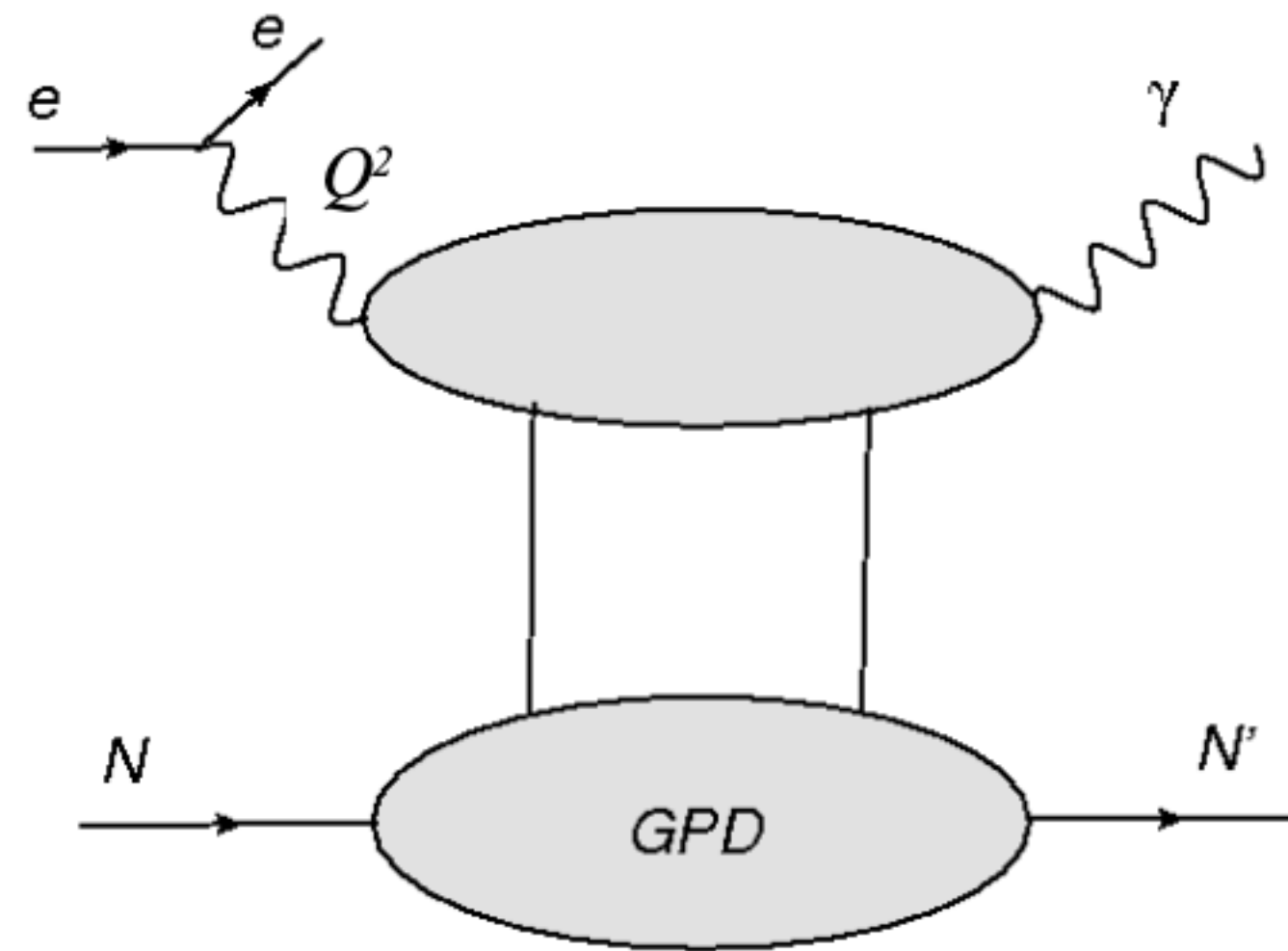


- *VGG model*
- *Order of  $\sim 0.1 \text{ pb} = 10^{-36} \text{ cm}^2$ , about 100 to 1000 smaller than DVCS*
- *Interference term enhanced by BH*

$$A_{LU}^\pm(\phi) = \frac{1}{\lambda^\pm} \frac{d^5\sigma_+^\pm - d^5\sigma_-^\pm}{d^5\sigma_+^\pm + d^5\sigma_-^\pm}$$

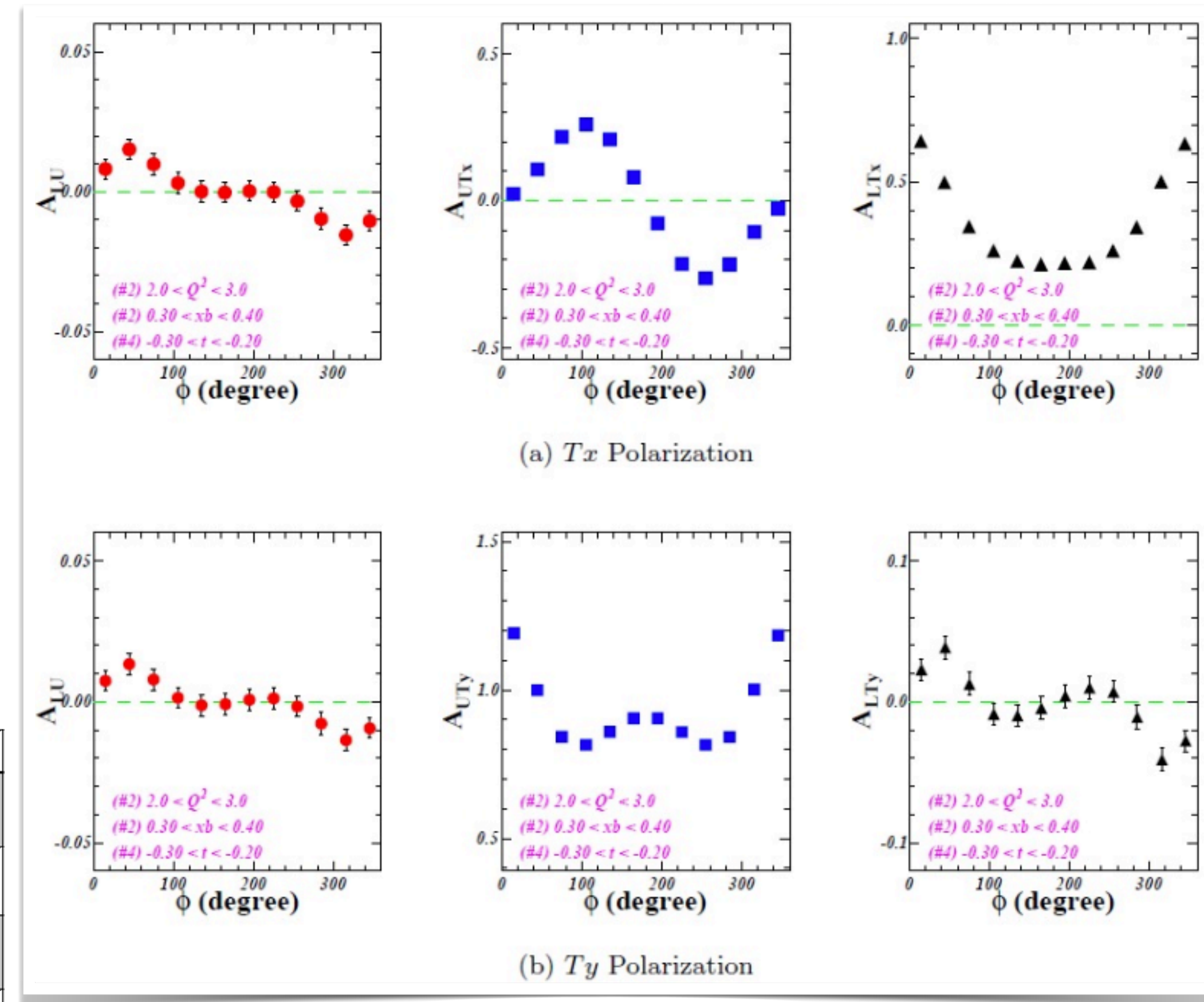
$$= \frac{d^5\tilde{\sigma}_{DDVCS} \mp d^5\tilde{\sigma}^{INT1}}{d^5\sigma_{BH_1} + d^5\sigma_{BH_2} + d^5\sigma_{DDVCS} \mp d^5\sigma_{INT_1}}$$

## 4. DVCS



# DVCS with Polarized Electron Beam and Target

- Approved 12 GeV polarized DVCS experiments (*Hall B & C*)
  - Mostly with **proton** targets
- GPD study needs **both proton and neutron data** (flavor decomposition, ...), and **all types of observables** (GPD disentangling, ...)
- SoLID is the unique place for a DVCS experiment on **neutron** targets
  - **He3**: transversely and longitudinally polarized neutron target
  - **NH3**: transversely polarized proton target
- **Currently still under study — no proposal yet**



(a)  $T_x$  Polarization

(b)  $T_y$  Polarization

SoLID DVCS with Polarized He3  
 Projection: one  $(Q^2, x, t)$  bin out of 1000+ bins

**Approved 12GeV DVCS experiments:**

- E12-16-010B (Hall-B): unpol. proton, XS
- E12-11-003 (Hall-B): unpol. **Deuteron**, BSA
- E12-06-119 (Hall-B): **long-pol** proton, BSA, TSA,
- C12-12-010 (Hall-B): *conditional approved*, **trans. pol.** Proton, TSA,BSA
- C12-15-004 (Hall-B): *conditional approved*, **long. pol.** **Deuteron**, TSA, BSA
- E12-06-114 (Hall-A&C): unpol. proton, XS & BSA, limited coverage
- E12-13-010 (Hall-C): unpol. proton, XS,
- E12-15-001 (Hall-C): proton, XS
- **LOI**: nDVCS w/ TDIS setup (Hall-A), tagged **neutron**, XS

Polarization	Asymmetries	CFFs
Longitudinal Beam	$A_{LU}$	$Im\{\mathcal{H}_p, \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p, \mathcal{E}_p\}$ $Im\{\mathcal{H}_n, \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_n, \mathcal{E}_n\}$
Longitudinal Target	$A_{UL}$	$Im\{\mathcal{H}_p, \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p, \mathcal{E}_p\}$ $Im\{\mathcal{H}_n, \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_n, \mathcal{E}_n\}$
Long. Beam + Long. Target	$A_{LL}$	$Re\{\mathcal{H}_p, \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p, \mathcal{E}_p\}$ $Re\{\mathcal{H}_n, \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_n, \mathcal{E}_n\}$
Transverse Target	$A_{UT}$	$Im\{\mathcal{H}_p, \mathcal{E}_p\}$ $Im\{\mathcal{H}_n\}$
Long. Beam + Trans. Target	$A_{LT}$	$Re\{\mathcal{H}_p, \mathcal{E}_p\}$ $Re\{\mathcal{H}_n\}$

Polarization variables for GPD study

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# Summary

- ❑ SoLID spectrometer's High Luminosity and Large Acceptance are key to GPD measurements using exclusive processes
- ❑ Multi-dimensional binning with high statistics
- ❑ SoLID has a broad exclusive physics program for GPD measurements:
  - DEMP — **approved**, SIDIS run group experiment
  - DVCS — under study
  - TCS — **approved**,  $J/\psi$  run group experiment
  - DDVCS — under study, add muon detector to SIDIS configuration
- ❑ More ideas (e.g. deuterium and other nuclear targets)



# SoLID Collaboration

- ❑ 270+ collaborators, 70+ institutions from 13 countries
- ❑ Active development and validation of the design and physics programs
- ❑ Strong theory support



# Backup Slides

# Generalized Parton Distributions

- GPDs connects to nucleon elastic form factors through model-independent sum rules

$$\sum_q e_q \int_{-1}^{+1} dx H^q(x, \xi, t) = F_1(t)$$

*Dirac and Pauli FF :  
t-dependence fairly  
well-known*

$$\sum_q e_q \int_{-1}^{+1} dx E^q(x, \xi, t) = F_2(t)$$

$$\sum_q e_q \int_{-1}^{+1} dx \tilde{H}^q(x, \xi, t) = G_A(t)$$

*Axial FF : t-  
dependence poorly  
known*

$$\sum_q e_q \int_{-1}^{+1} dx \tilde{E}^q(x, \xi, t) = G_P(t)$$

*Pseudoscalar FF :  
very poorly known*