

On wide-angle photo- and electroproduction of pions to twist-3 accuracy

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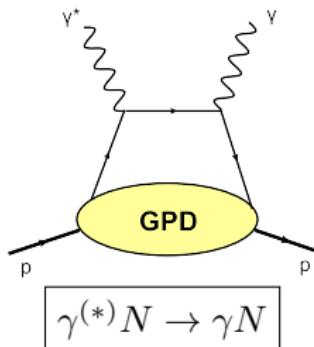
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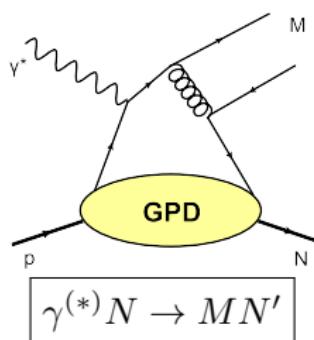
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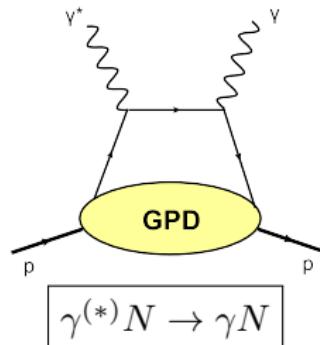
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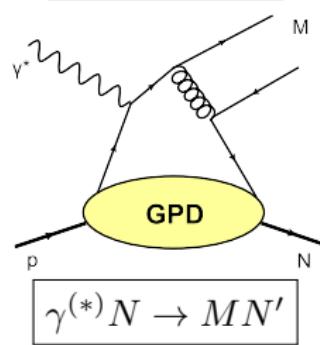


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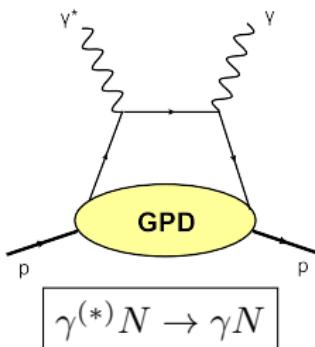
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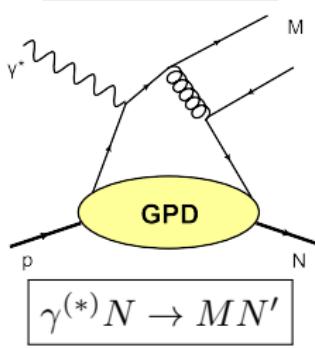
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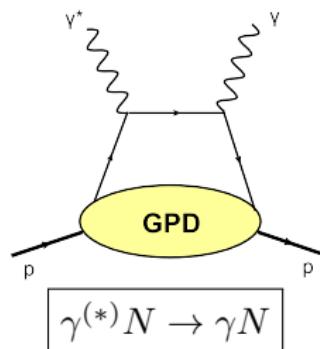
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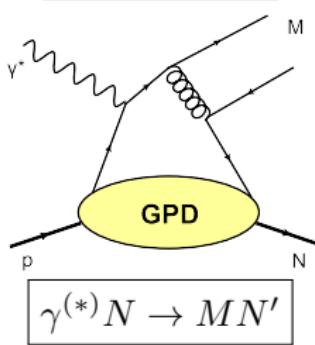
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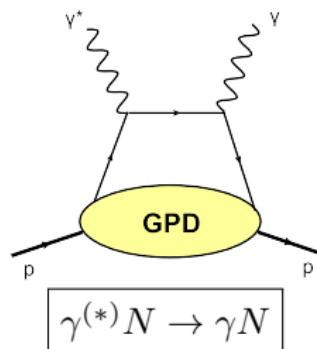
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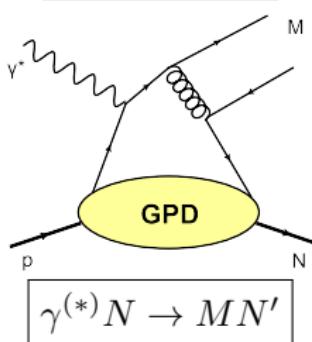
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 - twist-2 results [Huang, Kroll '00] well below the experimental data for photoproduction ($Q^2 = 0$)
 - twist-3 2-body contribution to pion photoproduction in WW approximation vanishes [Huang, Jakob, Kroll, P-K '03]
 - twist-3 (2- and 3-body) prediction to π_0 photoproduction calculated [Kroll, P-K '18] and fitted to CLAS data [CLAS '17]
 - [Kroll, P-K. '21, arXiv:2107.04544]: twist-3 prediction for $P = \pi^\pm, \pi^0$ photo- and electroproduction analyzed ($Q^2 < -t$); extension to other PS mesons and well as DVMP is straightforward

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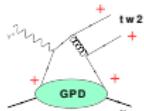
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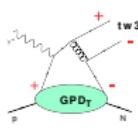
$$R_V^{\pi^\pm} = R_V^u - R_V^d, R_V^{\pi^0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (e_u R_V^u - e_d R_V^d)$$

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$$S_T \rightarrow H_T, \bar{S}_T \rightarrow \bar{E}_T, S_S \rightarrow \tilde{H}_T \text{ (transversity GPDs)}$$

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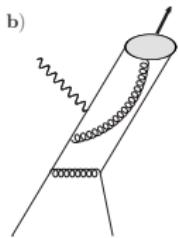
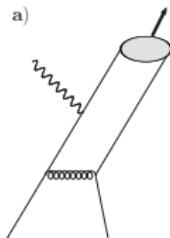
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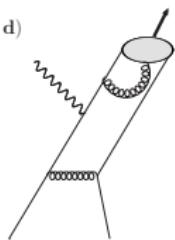
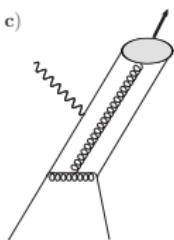
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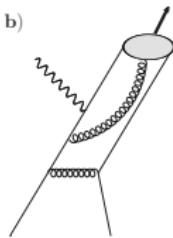
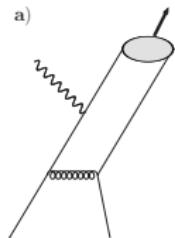
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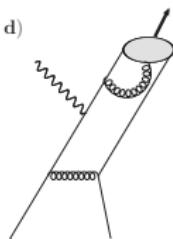
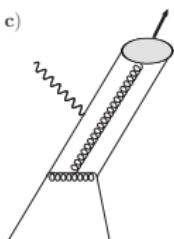
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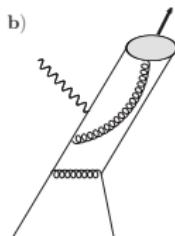
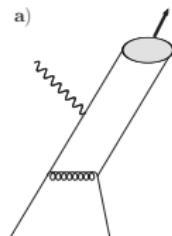
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$\mu_\pi = m_\pi^2 / (m_u + m_d) \cong 2$ GeV
distribution amplitudes (DAs):

twist-2: ϕ_π

2-body twist-3 $\phi_{\pi p}, \phi_{\pi\sigma}$ 3-body twist-3 $\phi_{3\pi}$
 → connected by equations of motion (EOMs)

DAs and EOMs

$$\tau \phi_{\pi p}(\tau) + \frac{\tau}{6} \phi'_{\pi\sigma}(\tau) - \frac{1}{3} \phi_{\pi\sigma}(\tau) = \phi_{\pi 2}^{EOM}(\bar{\tau})$$

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- EOMs and symmetry properties $\phi_{\pi*}(\bar{\tau}) = \phi_{\pi*}(\tau)$
 $\phi_{3\pi}(\tau_a, \tau_b, \tau_g) = \phi_{\pi}(\tau_b, \tau_a, \tau_g) \Rightarrow$ the subprocess amplitudes in terms of two twist-3 DAs, 2- and 3-body contributions combined
- combined EOMs \rightarrow first order differential equation \Rightarrow from known form of $\phi_{3\pi}$ [Braun, Filyanov '90] one determines $\phi_{\pi p}$ (and $\phi_{\pi\sigma}$)

Note: $q\bar{q}g$ projector and EOMs were derived using light-cone gauge for constituent gluon

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$$\mathcal{H}_{\textcolor{blue}{L}}^{P, tw2} \Big|_{\hat{t} \rightarrow 0}: \quad \hat{s} = -\frac{\xi - x}{2\xi} Q^2, \hat{u} = -\frac{\xi + x}{2\xi} Q^2 \quad \Rightarrow \text{well known LO result for DVMP}$$

Subprocess amplitudes: twist-3

General structure:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}^{P,tw3} &= \mathcal{H}^{P,tw3,q\bar{q}} + \mathcal{H}^{P,tw3,q\bar{q}g} \\ &= (\mathcal{H}^{P,\phi_{\pi p}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{H}^{P,\phi_{\pi^2}^{EOM}}}_{}) + (\mathcal{H}^{P,q\bar{q}g,C_F} + \mathcal{H}^{P,q\bar{q}g,C_G}) \\ &= \mathcal{H}^{P,\phi_{\pi p}} + \mathcal{H}^{P,\phi_{3\pi},C_F} + \mathcal{H}^{P,\phi_{3\pi},C_G}\end{aligned}$$

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Pion distribution amplitudes

Twist-2 DA: $\phi_\pi(\tau, \mu_F) = 6\tau\bar{\tau} [1 + a_2(\mu_F) C_2^{3/2}(2\tau - 1)]$

Twist-3 DAs:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{3\pi}(\tau_a, \tau_b, \tau_g, \mu_F) &= 360\tau_a\tau_b\tau_g^2 \left[1 + \omega_{1,0}(\mu_F) \frac{1}{2}(7\tau_g - 3) \right. \\ &\quad + \omega_{2,0}(\mu_F) (2 - 4\tau_a\tau_b - 8\tau_g + 8\tau_g^2) \\ &\quad \left. + \omega_{1,1}(\mu_F) (3\tau_a\tau_b - 2\tau_g + 3\tau_g^2) \right] [\text{Braun, Filyanov '90}]\end{aligned}$$

using EOMs [Kroll, P-K '18]:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{\pi p}(\tau, \mu_F) &= 1 + \frac{1}{7} \frac{f_{3\pi(\mu_F)}}{f_\pi \mu_\pi(\mu_F)} \left(7\omega_{1,0}(\mu_F) - 2\omega_{2,0}(\mu_F) - \omega_{1,1}(\mu_F) \right) \\ &\quad \times \left(10C_2^{1/2}(2\tau - 1) - 3C_4^{1/2}(2\tau - 1) \right), \quad \phi_{\pi\sigma}(\tau) = \dots\end{aligned}$$

Parameters:

- $a_2(\mu_0) = 0.1364 \pm 0.0213$ at $\mu_0 = 2$ GeV [Braun et al '15] (lattice)
- $\omega_{10}(\mu_0) = -2.55$, $\omega_{10}(\mu_0) = 0.0$ and $f_{3\pi}(\mu_0) = 0.004$ GeV². [Ball '99]
- $\omega_{20}(\mu_0) = 8.0$ [Kroll, P-K '18] fit to π^0 photoproduction data [CLAS '17]

Evolution of the decay constants and DA parameters taken into account.

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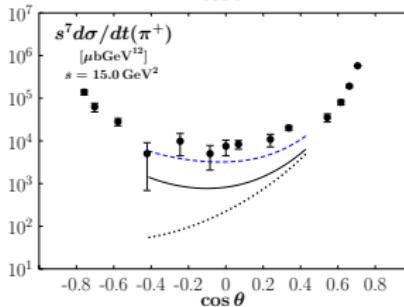
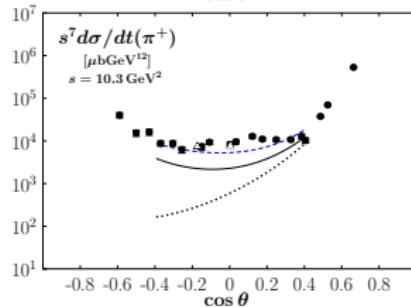
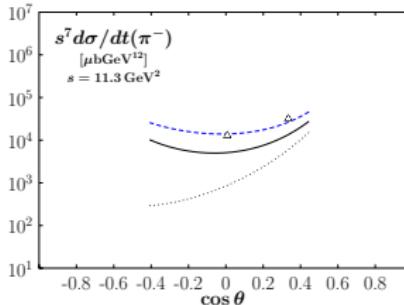
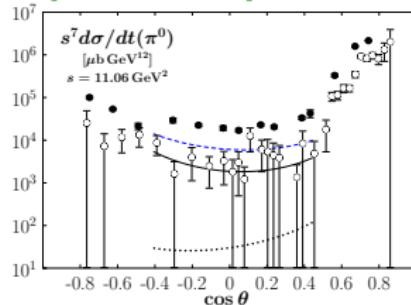
GPD parameterization [Diehl, Feldmann, Jakob, Kroll '04, Diehl, Kroll '13]

$$K_i^a = k_i^a(x) \exp [tf_i^a(x)], f_i^a(x) = (B_i^a - \alpha_i'^a \ln x)(1-x)^3 + A_i^a x(1-x)^2$$

- strong $x - t$ correlation
- power behaviour for large $(-t)$
- choice for transversity GPDs $A = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

Photoproduction

[Kroll, P-K '21]



theoretical predictions with parameters from [Kroll, P-K '18]
 (fit of π^0 twist-3 prediction to [CLAS '17] data)

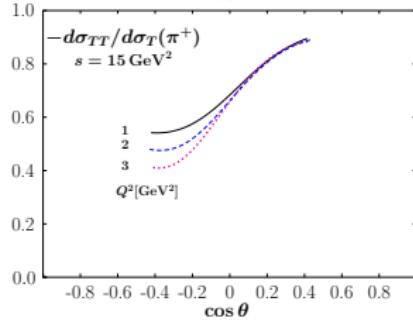
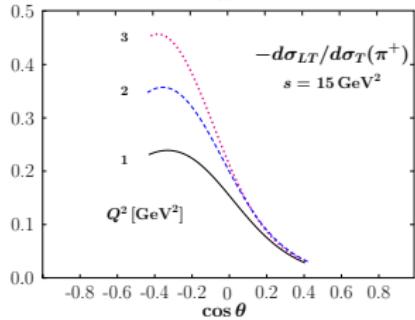
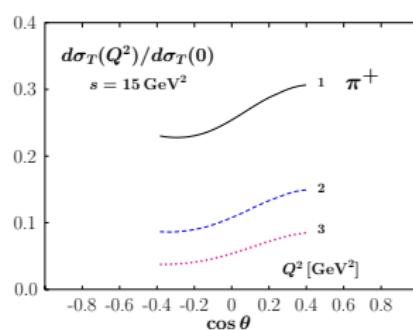
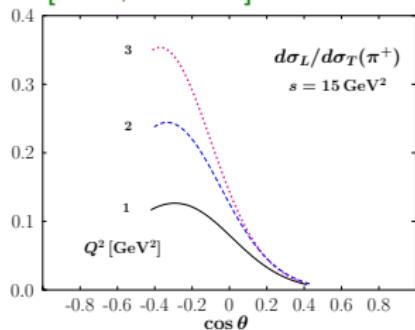
solid curves: complete twist-3
 dotted curves: twist-2
 dashed curves: $\omega_{20} = 10.3$
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exp data:
 full circles [SLAC '76]
 open circles [CLAS '17]
 triangles [JLab, Hall A '05]

- twist-2 prediction well beyond the data [Huang, Kroll '00]
- scaling: s^{-7} (s^{-8}) twist-2 (twist-3) \rightarrow effective s^{-9} \rightarrow too strong

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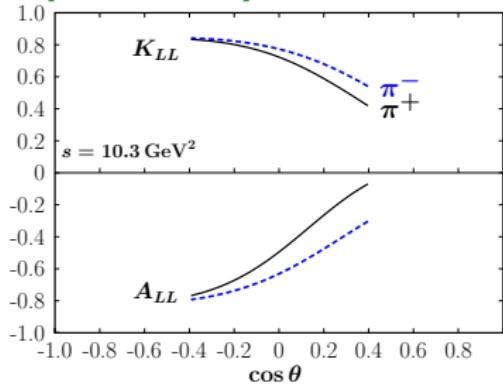
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- both for σ_L and σ_{LT} no twist-2 and twist-3 interference
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Spin effects - photoproduction

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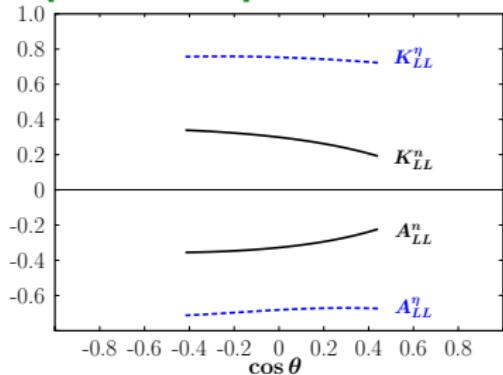
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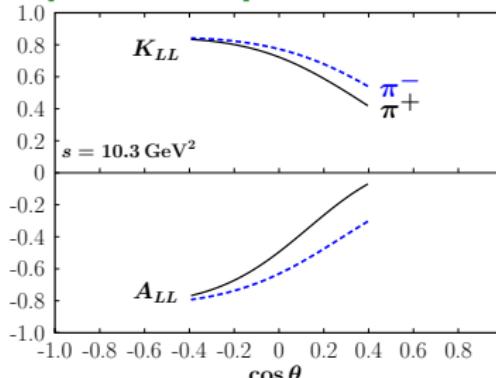
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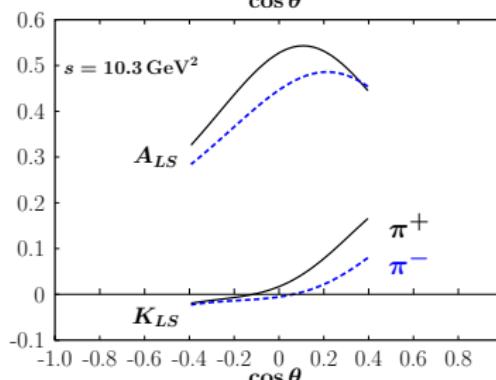


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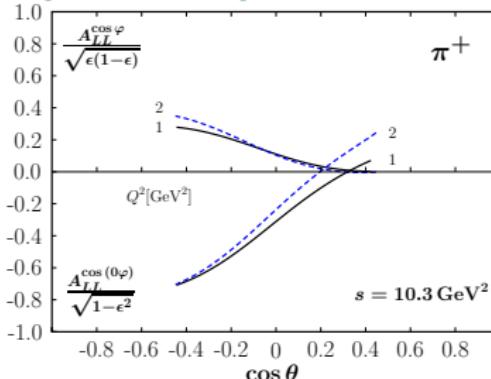
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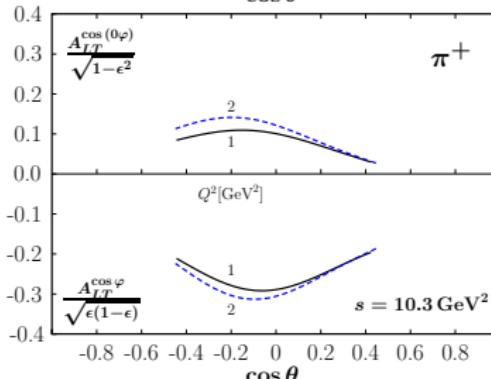
Spin effects - electroproduction

[Kroll, P-K '21]



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(→ measured for DVMP [CLAS '15])



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