

# Azimuthal correlations in UPCs

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Based on papers:

1903.10084 and 1911.00237; Cong Li, ZJ and Ya-jin Zhou

2003.06352; Bo-wen Xiao, Feng Yuan and ZJ

2006.06206; Hong-xi Xing, Cheng Zhang, ZJ and Ya-jin Zhou

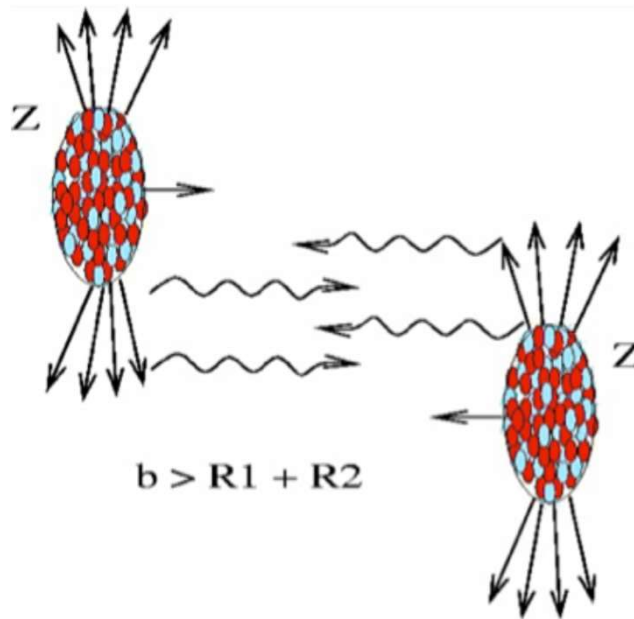
2011.13151; Yoshikazu Hagiwara, Cheng Zhang, ZJ and Ya-jin Zhou

*Open questions in photon-induced interactions-from Relativistic Nuclear collisions to the Future EIC, 26-28 April, 2021.*

# Outline

- Linearly polarized photon distribution
- $\text{Cos}4\phi$  in di-lepton production
- $\text{Cos}2\phi$  in rho production
- $\text{Cos}\phi$  and  $\text{Cos}3\phi$  in di-pion production
- Summary and Outlook

# Coherent photon distributions



Equivalent photon approximation(EPA)

1924, Fermi;

Weizäscker and Williams, 1930's;

$$n(\omega) = \frac{4Z^2\alpha_e}{\omega} \int \frac{d^2k_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} k_{\perp}^2 \left[ \frac{F(k_{\perp}^2 + \omega^2/\gamma^2)}{(k_{\perp}^2 + \omega^2/\gamma^2)} \right]^2$$

$$\sigma_{A_1 A_2 \rightarrow A_1 A_2 X}^{WW} = \int d\omega_1 d\omega_2 n_{A_1}(\omega_1) n_{A_2}(\omega_2) \sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow X}(\omega_1, \omega_2)$$

**4 million times**

$$\mathbf{K}_T \leq 1/R_A$$

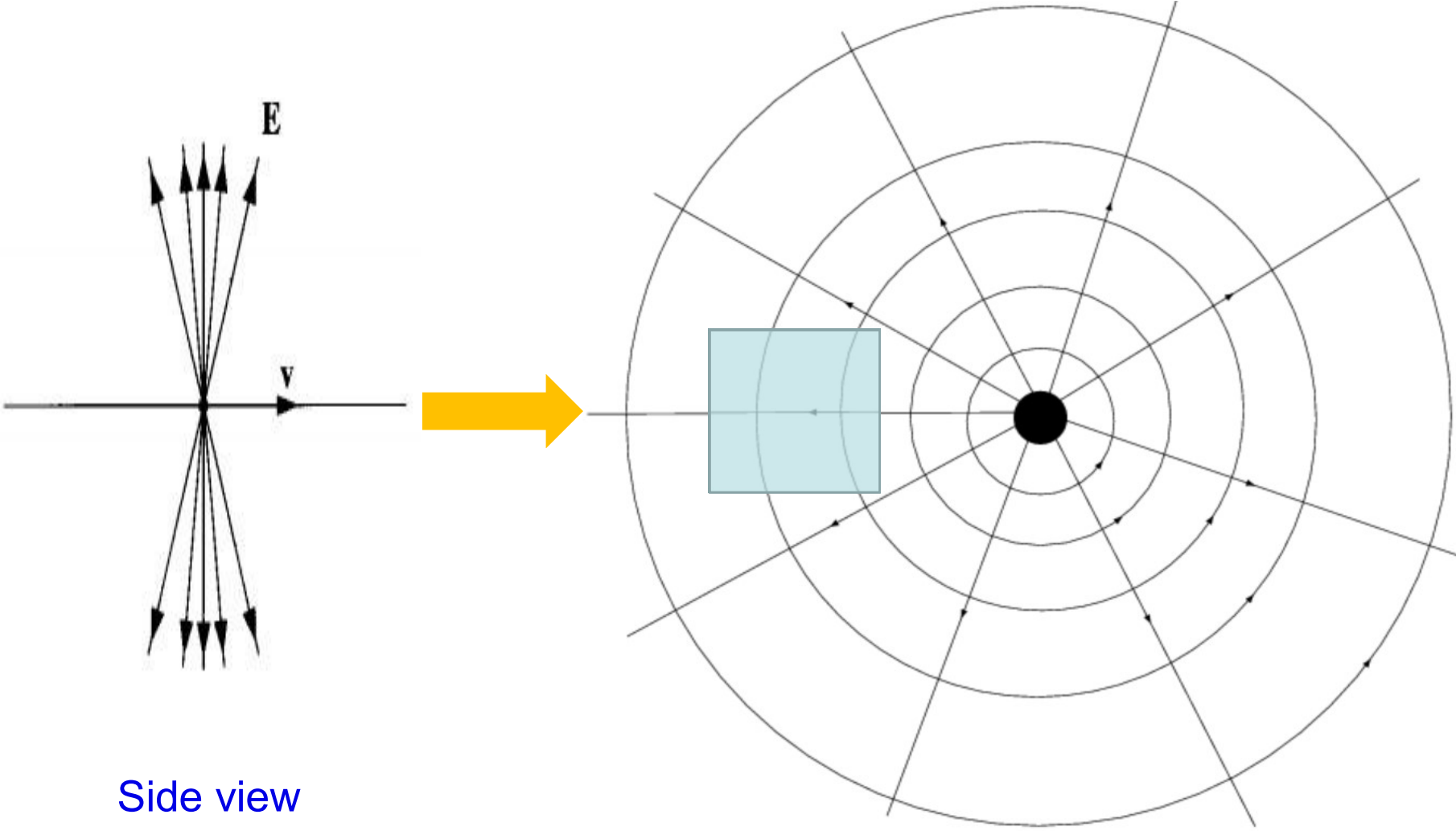
$$d\sigma \propto Z^4$$

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$$\gamma - \gamma$$

$$\gamma - \mathbf{A}$$

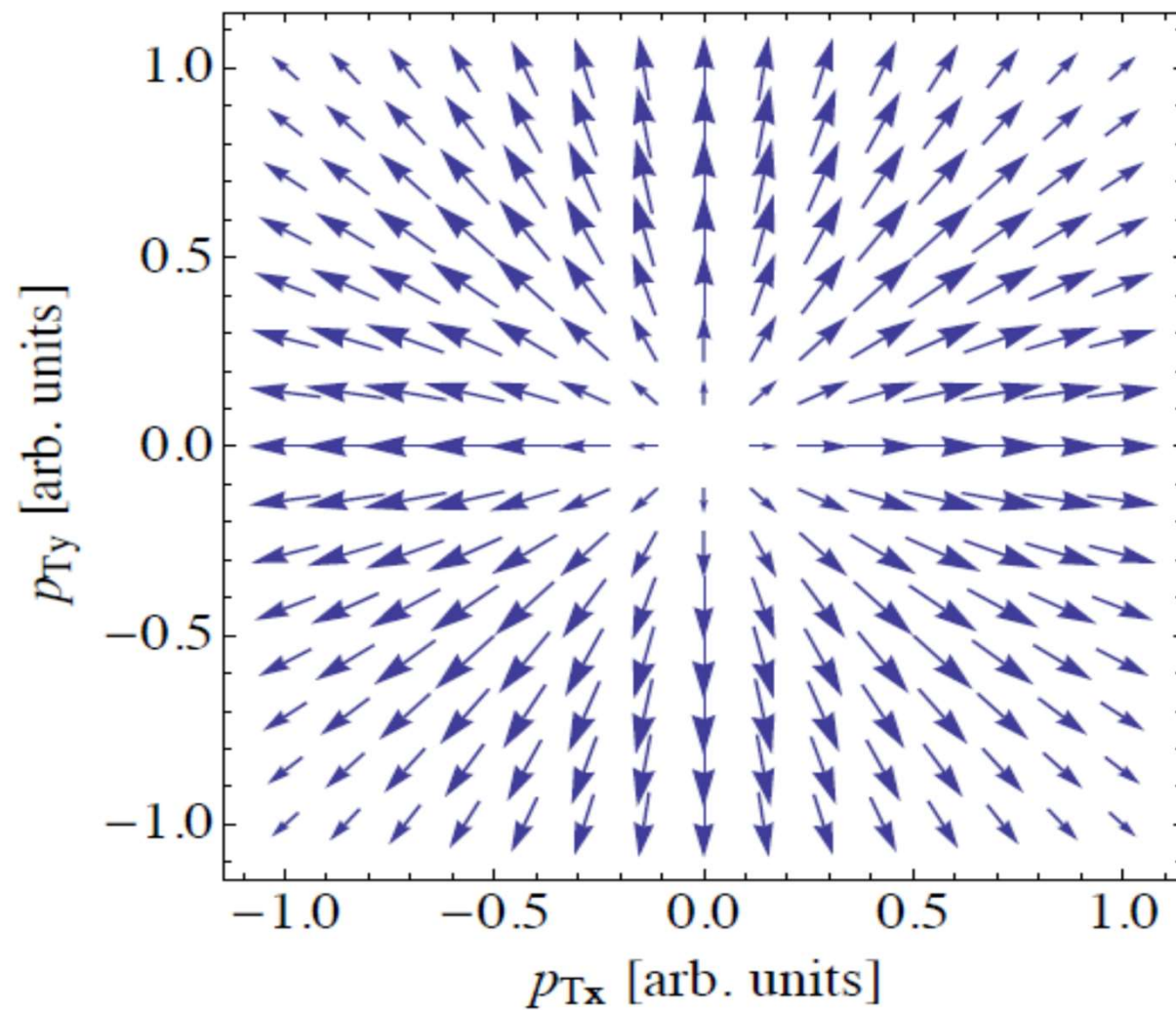
# The boosted Coulomb potential

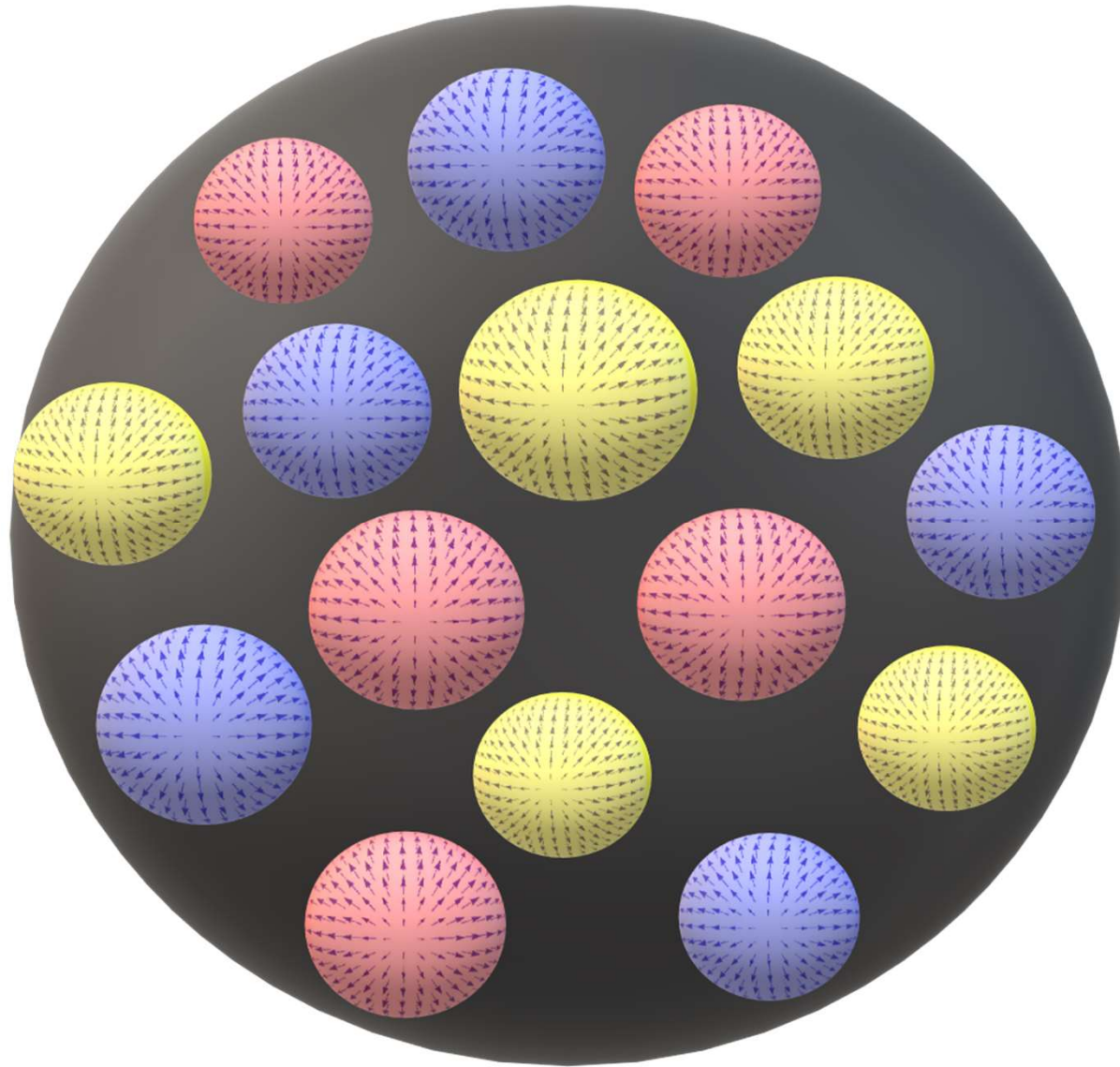


Side view

Head on view

# Transverse momentum phase space





**CGC** is highly linearly polarized state as well.

Metz & Zhou, 2011

How to probe it?

$\cos 4\phi$  in di-lepton production

# Cos 4 $\phi$ asymmetry in EM dilepton production

$$\gamma(x_1 P + k_{1\perp}) + \gamma(x_2 \bar{P} + k_{2\perp}) \rightarrow l^+(p_1) + l^-(p_2)$$

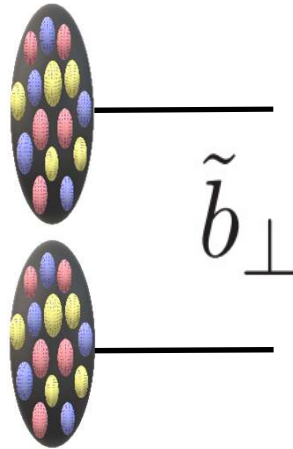
$$\langle \cos(4\phi) \rangle \quad \phi = P_{\perp} \wedge q_{\perp}$$

$$P_{\perp} \equiv (p_{1\perp} - p_{2\perp})/2 \quad q_{\perp} \equiv p_{1\perp} + p_{2\perp}$$

correlation limit:  $P_{\perp} \gg q_{\perp}$



# Impact parameter dependence



See also Bowen and Wangmei's talk

- $\tilde{b}_\perp$  dependent formula established (unpolarized cross section)

M. Vidovic, M. Greiner, C. Best and G. Soff; 93

- Successfully describes dilepton qt broadening effect

W. Zha, J. D. Brandenburg, Z. Tang and Z. Xu, 2019

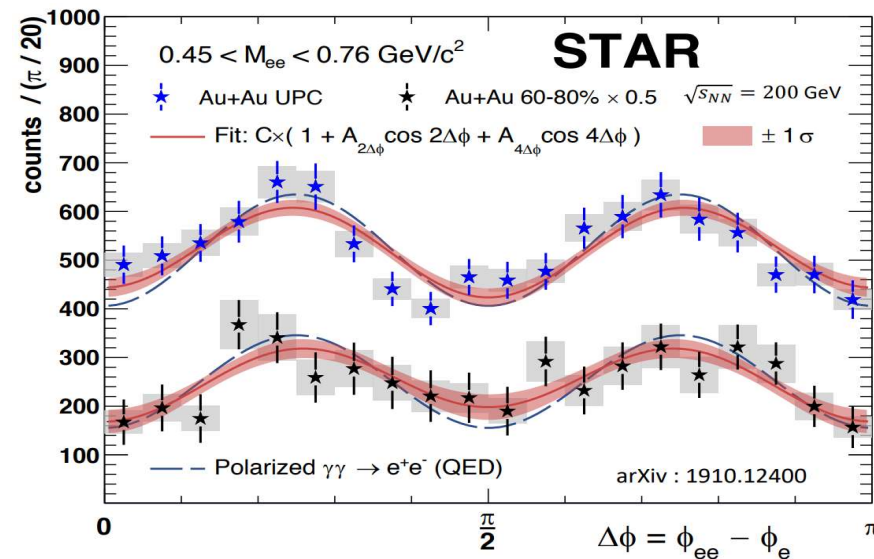
S. Klein, A. H. Mueller, B.W. Xiao and F. Yuan, 2020

- Formulation in terms of photon Wigner distribution

S. Klein, A. H. Mueller, B.W. Xiao and F. Yuan, 2020

M. K. Gawenda, W. Schafer and A. Szczurek, 2020

# $\tilde{b}_\perp$ dependent $\langle \cos(4\phi) \rangle$ V.S. STAR experiment



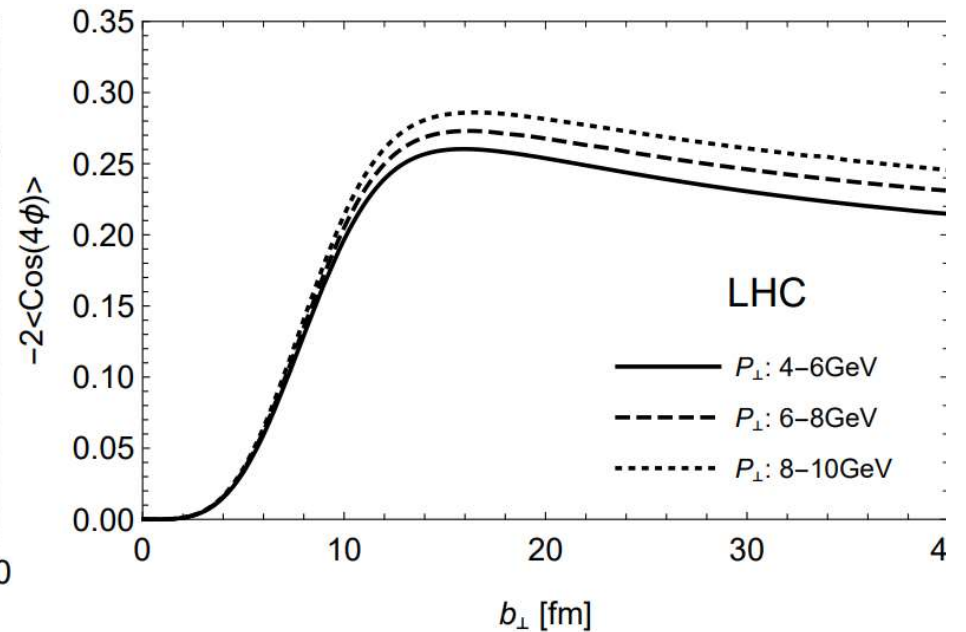
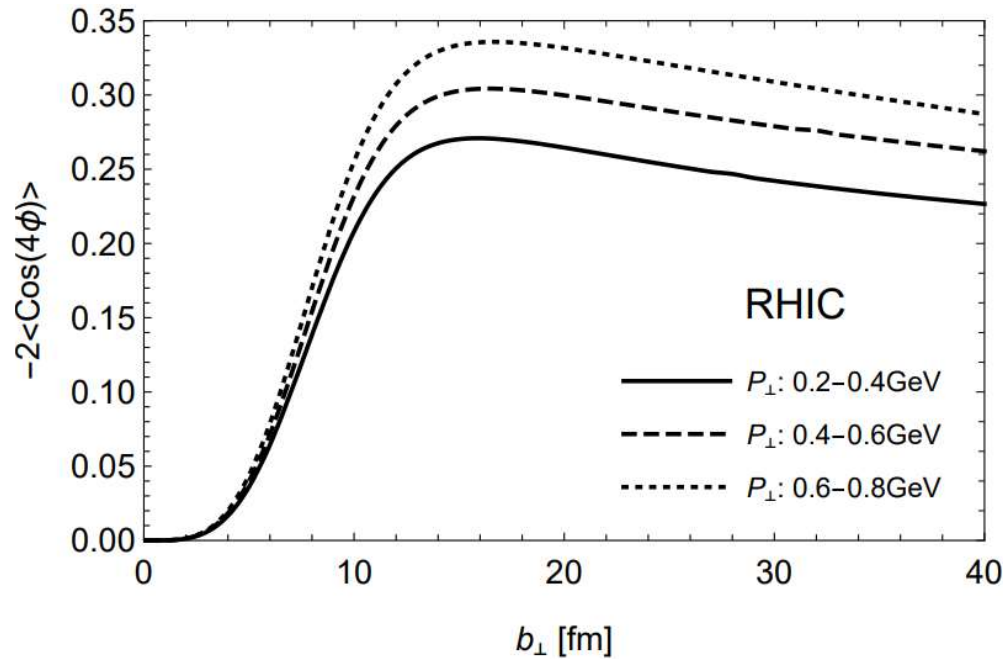
Daniel Brandenburg, QM 2019

$0.45 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 0.76 \text{ GeV}^2$   
 $P_t > 200 \text{ MeV}, |y| < 1, q_t < 100 \text{ MeV}$

C. Li, JZ and Y. Zhou, 2020

	Measured	QED calculation
Tagged UPC	$16.8\% \pm 2.5\%$	16.5%
60%-80%	$27\% \pm 6\%$	34.5%

# Cos4 $\phi$ : the correlation bt and Pt in PCs



$$P_{\perp} \wedge \tilde{b}_{\perp}$$

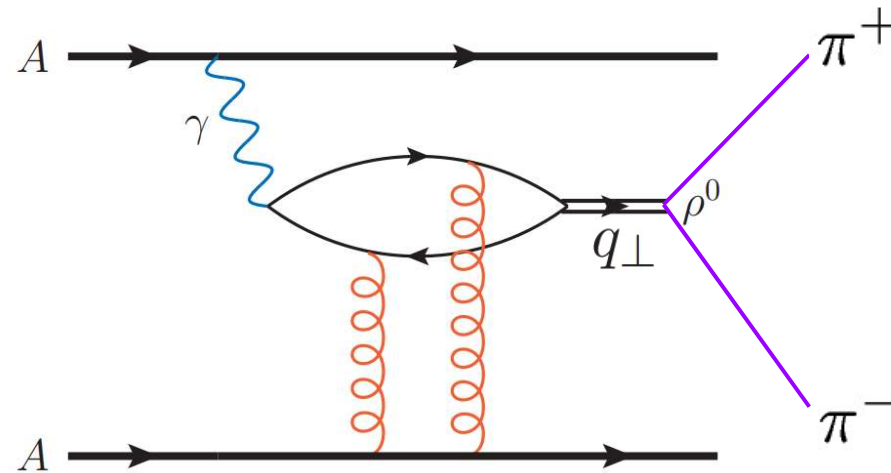
B.W. Xiao, F. Yuan and ZJ, 2020

See also Bowen's talk

The manifestation of the linear polarization of photons in another way.

$\cos 2\phi$  in  $\rho$  production

# As a probe to study novel QCD phenomenology



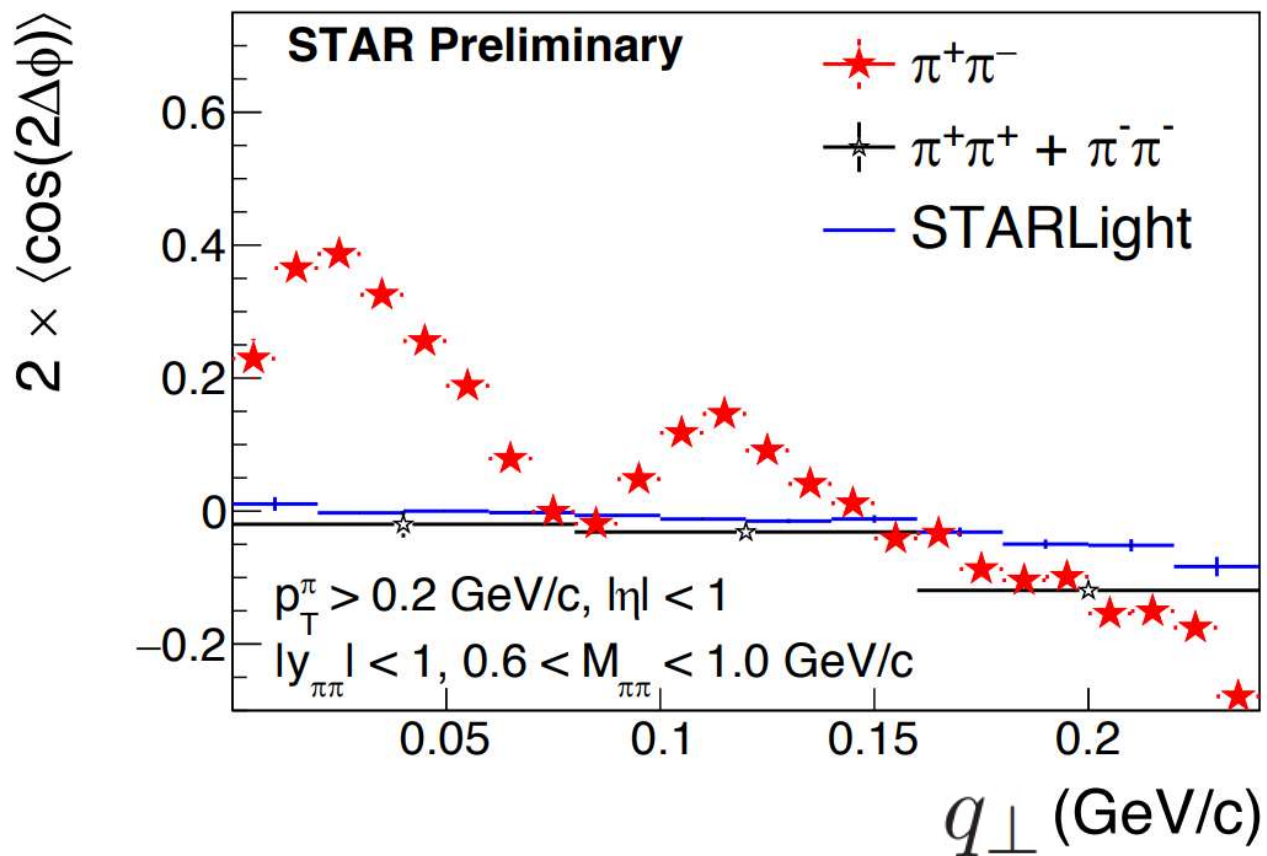
A  $\cos(2\phi)$  azimuthal asymmetry is induced by linearly polarized photons.

$\phi$  is the angle between  $q_{\perp}$  and  $p_{\perp}^{\pi}$

$q_{\perp}$  :  $\rho^0$  transverse momentum

$p_{\perp}^{\pi}$  : pion's transverse momentum.

# $\cos(2\phi)$ STAR measurement



# Dipole model calculation

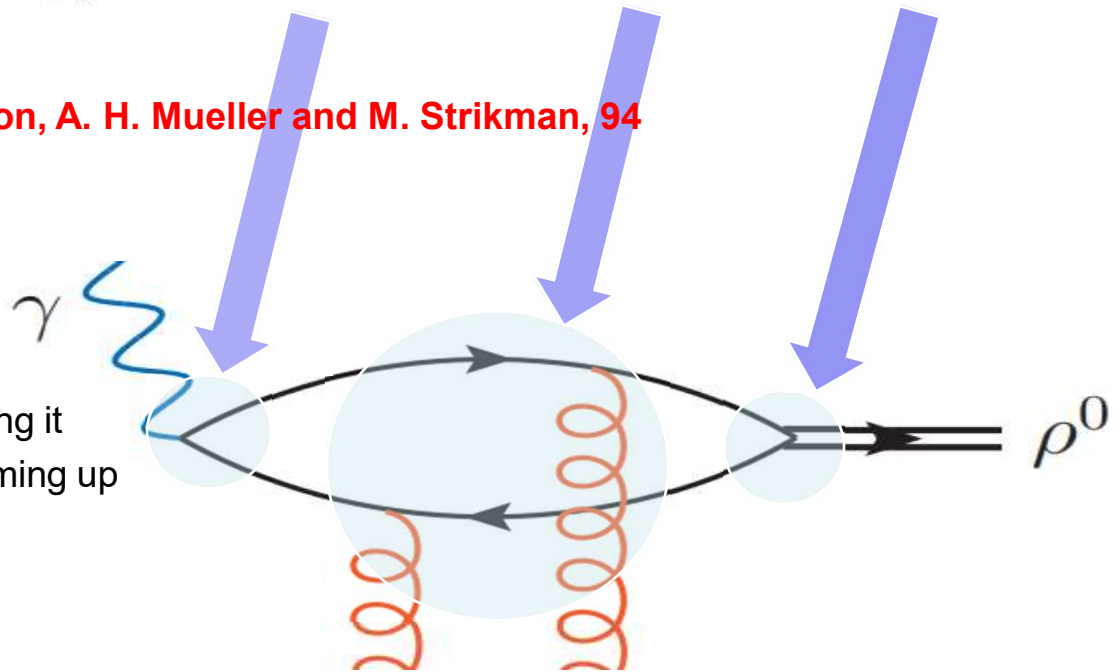
Diffractive scattering amplitude(based on dipole model)

$$\mathcal{A}(\Delta_{\perp}) = i \int d^2 b_{\perp} e^{i\Delta_{\perp} \cdot b_{\perp}} \int \frac{d^2 r_{\perp}}{4\pi} \int_0^1 dz \Psi^{\gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(r_{\perp}, z, \epsilon_{\perp}^{\gamma}) N(r_{\perp}, b_{\perp}) \Psi^{V \rightarrow q\bar{q}^*}(r_{\perp}, z, \epsilon_{\perp}^V)$$

M. G. Ryskin, 93

S. J. Brodsky, L. Frankfurt, J. F. Gunion, A. H. Mueller and M. Strikman, 94

Coherent: summing up amplitude  $\rightarrow$  squaring it  
Incoherent: squaring the amplitude  $\rightarrow$  summing up



Formulated in the Glauber multiple re-scattering model:

W. Zha, J. D. Brandenburg, L.J. Ruan, Z.B. Tang and Z.B. Xu, 2020

# Spin dependent wave function

$$\sum_{a,a',\sigma,\sigma'} \Psi^{\gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q}} \Psi^{V \rightarrow q\bar{q}^*} = (\epsilon_{\perp}^{V^*} \cdot \epsilon_{\perp}^{\gamma}) \frac{ee_q}{2\pi} 2N_c \int \frac{d^2 r_{\perp}}{4\pi} N(r_{\perp}, b_{\perp}) \left\{ [z^2 + (1-z)^2] \right. \\ \left. \times \frac{\partial \Phi^*(|r_{\perp}|, z)}{\partial |r_{\perp}|} \frac{\partial K_0(|r_{\perp}| e_f)}{\partial |r_{\perp}|} + m_q^2 \Phi^*(|r_{\perp}|, z) K_0(|r_{\perp}| e_f) \right\}$$

Spin correlation: SCHC Star measurement Phys. Rev. C 77 (2008)

◆ Linear polarization of photons implies:

$$\epsilon_{\perp}^{\gamma} \parallel k_{\perp}$$

Photon transverse momentum

$$2(k_{\perp}^{\gamma} \cdot \epsilon_{\perp}^{V^*})^2 - 1$$

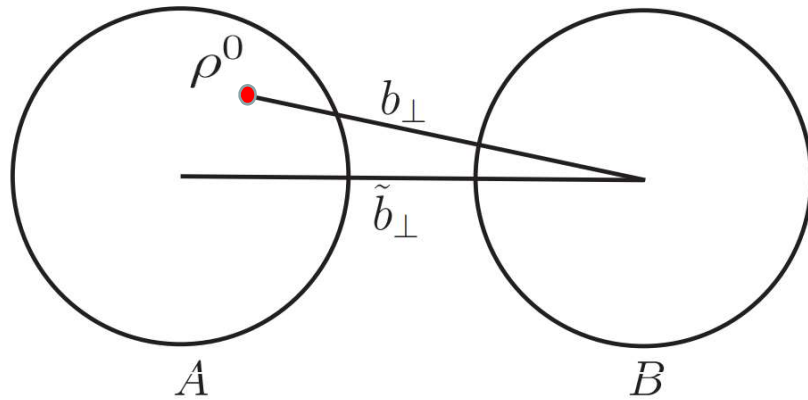
$$q_{\perp} = k_{\perp} + \Delta_{\perp}$$

$$2(\hat{q}_{\perp} \cdot \epsilon_{\perp}^{V^*})^2 - 1 \xrightarrow{\hat{p}_{\perp}^{\pi} \cdot \epsilon_{\perp}^{V^*}} 2(\hat{q}_{\perp} \cdot \hat{p}_{\perp}^{\pi})^2 - 1$$

Observed by STAR



# Joint $\tilde{b}_\perp$ & $q_\perp$ dependent cross section I



A and B are two incoming nuclei  
(head on view)

Assuming  $\rho^0$  is locally produced at position  $b_\perp$

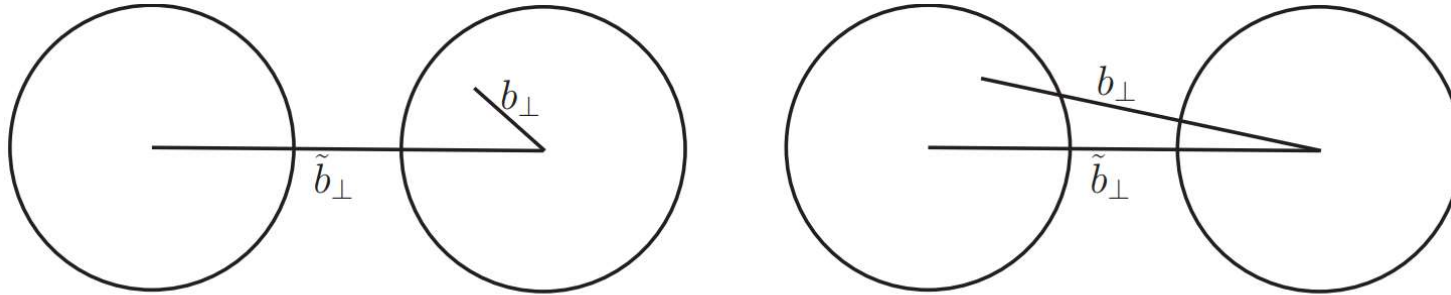
The probability amplitude of producing  $\rho^0$  at position  $b_\perp$

$$\mathcal{M}(Y, \tilde{b}_\perp, b_\perp) \propto \mathcal{F}_B(Y, b_\perp) N_A(Y, b_\perp - \tilde{b}_\perp)$$

EM potential  
induced by B

Gluon density  
inside A

## Joint $\tilde{b}_\perp$ & $q_\perp$ dependent cross section II



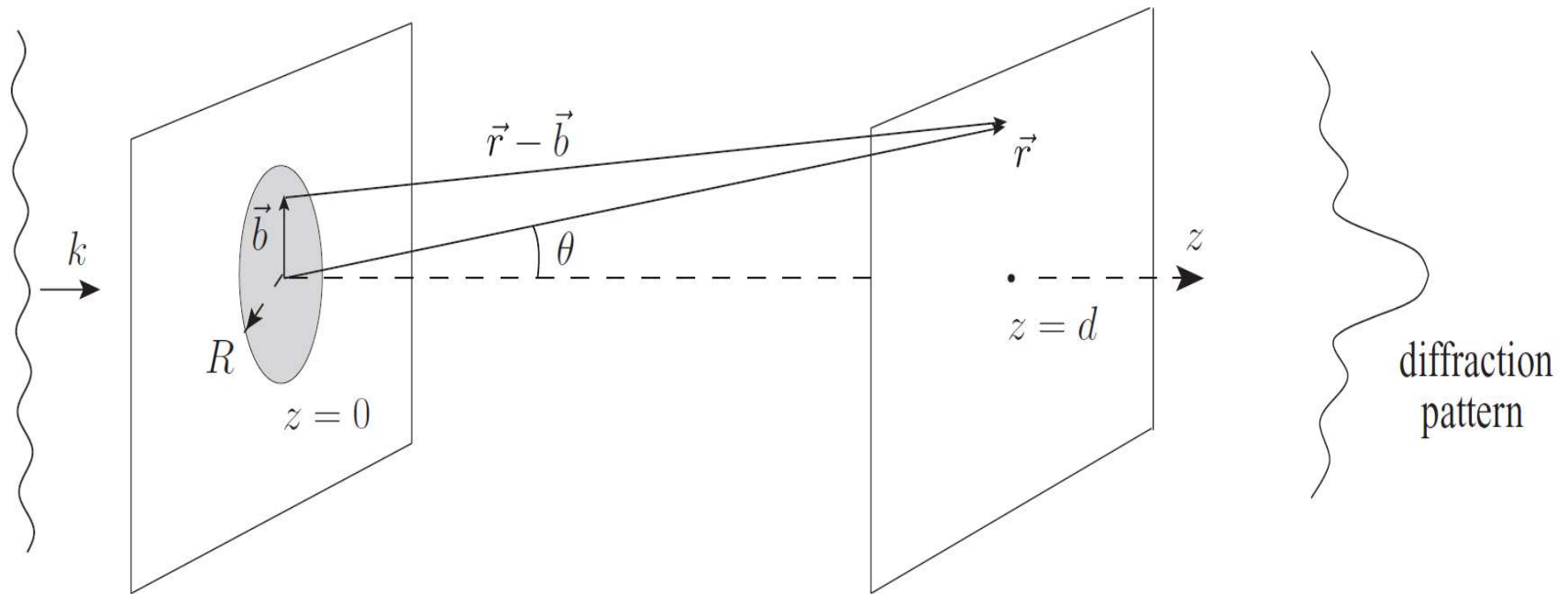
$$\mathcal{M}(Y, \tilde{b}_\perp, b_\perp) \propto \left[ \mathcal{F}_B(Y, b_\perp) N_A(Y, b_\perp - \tilde{b}_\perp) + N_B(-Y, b_\perp) \mathcal{F}_A(-Y, b_\perp - \tilde{b}_\perp) \right]$$

Making Fourier transform:

$$\mathcal{M}(Y, \tilde{b}_\perp, q_\perp) \propto \int d^2 k_\perp d^2 \Delta_\perp \delta^2(q_\perp - \Delta_\perp - k_\perp) \times \left\{ \mathcal{F}_B(Y, k_\perp) N_A(Y, \Delta_\perp) e^{-i\tilde{b}_\perp \cdot k_\perp} + \mathcal{F}_A(-Y, k_\perp) N_B(-Y, \Delta_\perp) e^{-i\tilde{b}_\perp \cdot \Delta_\perp} \right\}$$

- The  $\tilde{b}_\perp$  dependence enters via the phase.
- The relative phase leads to the destructive interference effect.

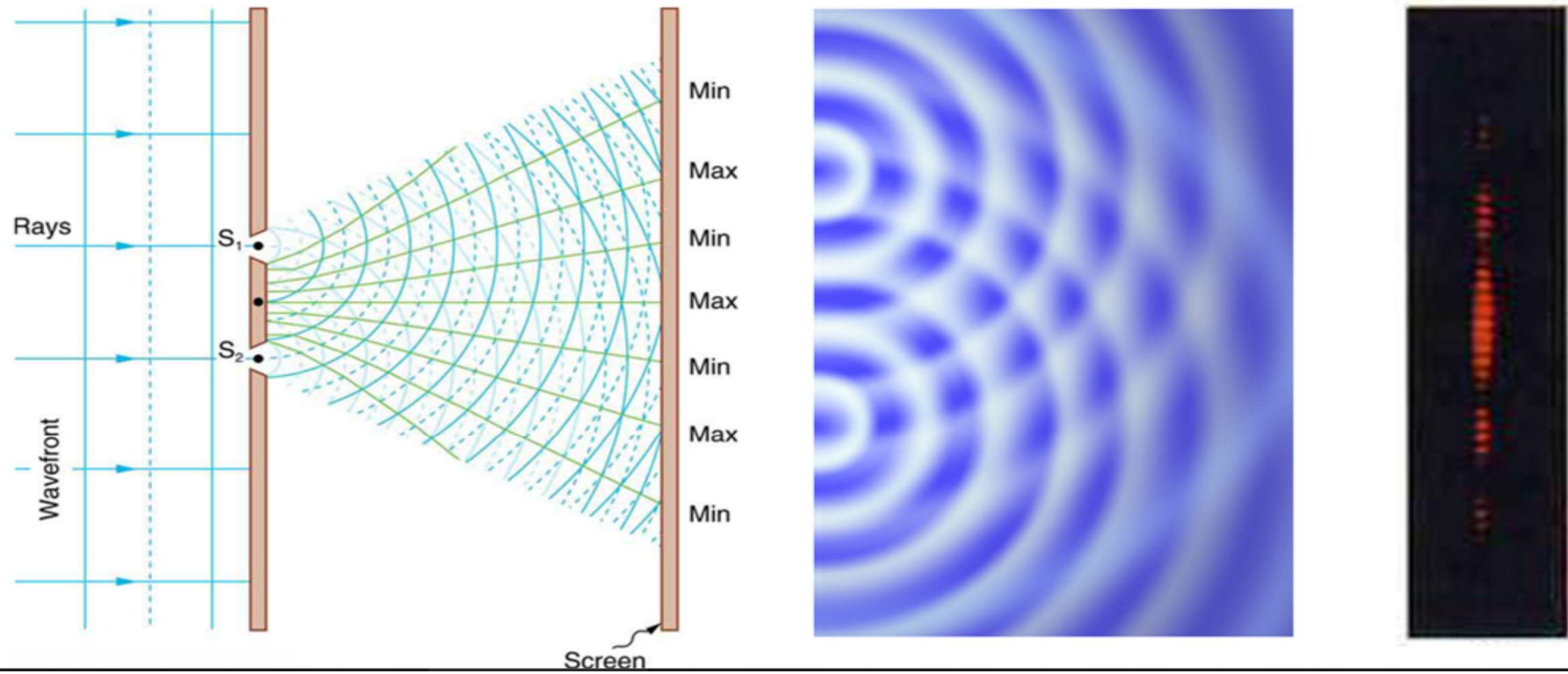
# Diffractive pattern



Taken from Yuri's book

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \pi R^2 \frac{J_1^2(\sqrt{|t|}R)}{|t|}$$

# Young's double-slit experiment in heavy ion collisions



# Joint $\tilde{b}_\perp$ & $q_\perp$ dependent cross section III

➤ Full cross section:  $k_\perp + \Delta_\perp = k'_\perp + \Delta'_\perp$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\sigma}{d^2q_\perp dY d^2\tilde{b}_\perp} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^2\Delta_\perp d^2k_\perp d^2k'_\perp \delta^2(k_\perp + \Delta_\perp - q_\perp) (\epsilon_\perp^{V*} \cdot \hat{k}_\perp) (\epsilon_\perp^V \cdot \hat{k}'_\perp) \left\{ \int d^2b_\perp \right. \\
 &\times e^{i\tilde{b}_\perp \cdot (k'_\perp - k_\perp)} [T_A(b_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{in}(Y, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{in}^*(Y, \Delta'_\perp) \mathcal{F}(Y, k_\perp) \mathcal{F}(Y, k'_\perp) + (A \leftrightarrow B)] \\
 &+ \left[ e^{i\tilde{b}_\perp \cdot (k'_\perp - k_\perp)} \mathcal{A}_{co}(Y, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{co}^*(Y, \Delta'_\perp) \mathcal{F}(Y, k_\perp) \mathcal{F}(Y, k'_\perp) \right] \\
 &+ \left[ e^{i\tilde{b}_\perp \cdot (\Delta'_\perp - \Delta_\perp)} \mathcal{A}_{co}(-Y, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{co}^*(-Y, \Delta'_\perp) \mathcal{F}(-Y, k_\perp) \mathcal{F}(-Y, k'_\perp) \right] \\
 &+ \left[ e^{i\tilde{b}_\perp \cdot (\Delta'_\perp - k_\perp)} \mathcal{A}_{co}(Y, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{co}^*(-Y, \Delta'_\perp) \mathcal{F}(Y, k_\perp) \mathcal{F}(-Y, k'_\perp) \right] \\
 &+ \left. \left[ e^{i\tilde{b}_\perp \cdot (k'_\perp - \Delta_\perp)} \mathcal{A}_{co}(-Y, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{co}^*(Y, \Delta'_\perp) \mathcal{F}(-Y, k_\perp) \mathcal{F}(Y, k'_\perp) \right] \right\}, \quad (2.14)
 \end{aligned}$$

H.X. Xing, Z. Zhang, ZJ, Y.J. Zhou, 2020

➤ EM potential:  $\mathcal{F}(Y, k_\perp) = \frac{Z\sqrt{\alpha_e}}{\pi} |k_\perp| \frac{F(k_\perp^2 + x^2 M_p^2)}{(k_\perp^2 + x^2 M_p^2)}$

# Two remarks

- Integrate out  $\tilde{b}_\perp$ , producing  $\delta^2(k_\perp - k'_\perp) \delta^2(\Delta_\perp - k'_\perp)$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d^2q_\perp dY} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^2k_\perp x f(x, k_\perp) \left\{ 1 + \cos 2\phi \left[ 2(\hat{q}_\perp \cdot \hat{k}_\perp)^2 - 1 \right] \right\} \\ \left\{ A_{co}(Y, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{co}^*(Y, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{F}(Y, k_\perp) \mathcal{F}(Y, k_\perp) - A_{co}(-Y, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{co}^*(-Y, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{F}(-Y, k_\perp) \mathcal{F}(-Y, k_\perp) \right\}$$

- ◆ When  $Y = 0$ , complete destructive interference.

S. R. Klein and J. Nystrand, 2000

- Incoherent production doesn't contribute to the asymmetry

$\Delta_\perp$  distribution is very flat

$$\int d^2k_\perp x f(x, k_\perp) \left[ 2(\hat{q}_\perp \cdot \hat{k}_\perp)^2 - 1 \right] = 0$$

# Some model inputs

- Gluon distribution/Dipole amplitude: GBW model for a nucleon
- Charge distribution: Woods-Saxon distribution.
- Nucleon distribution inside a nucleus: Modified WS distribution

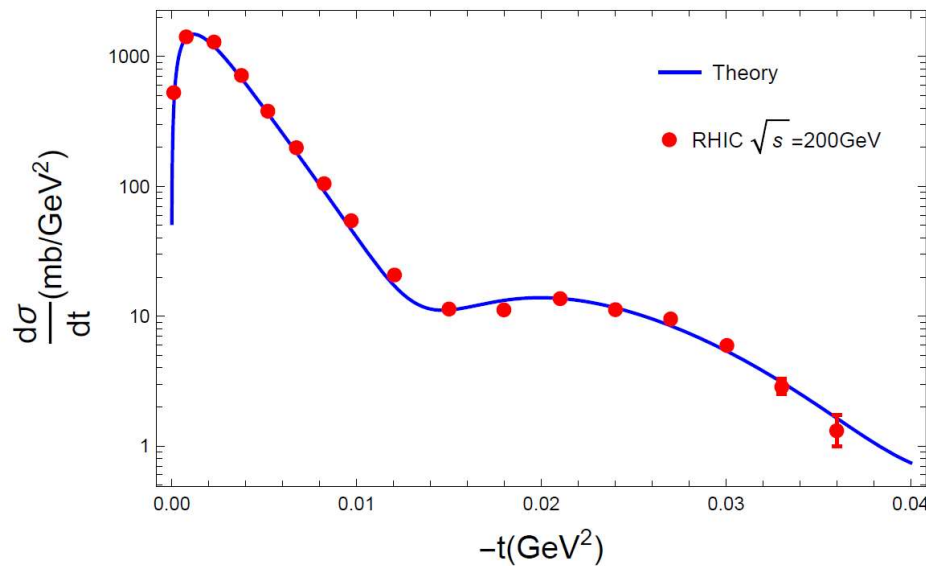
Nuclear strong interaction radius should be slightly larger than its EM radius due to neutron skin effect and possible pion cloud effect

- Vector meson wave function: taken from [H. Kowalski and D. Teaney, 2003](#)
- Quasi-real photon wave function: QED
- Computing “Xn” events with,

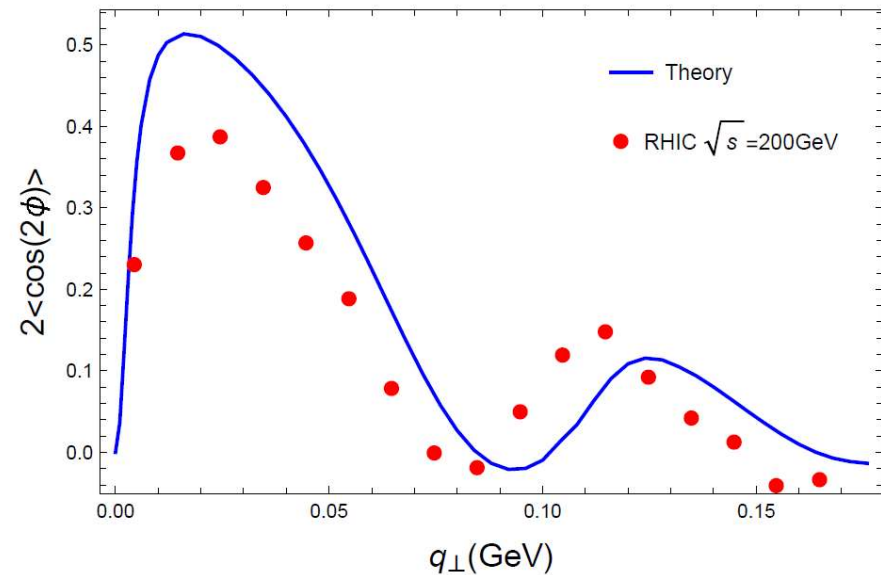
$$2\pi \int_{2R_A}^{\infty} \tilde{b}_{\perp} d\tilde{b}_{\perp} P^2(\tilde{b}_{\perp}) d\sigma(\tilde{b}_{\perp}, \dots) \quad P(\tilde{b}_{\perp}) = 1 - \exp\left[-P_{1n}(\tilde{b}_{\perp})\right]$$

# $\rho^0$ production in UPCs

Unpolarized cross section



Cos2 $\phi$  azimuthal asymmetry



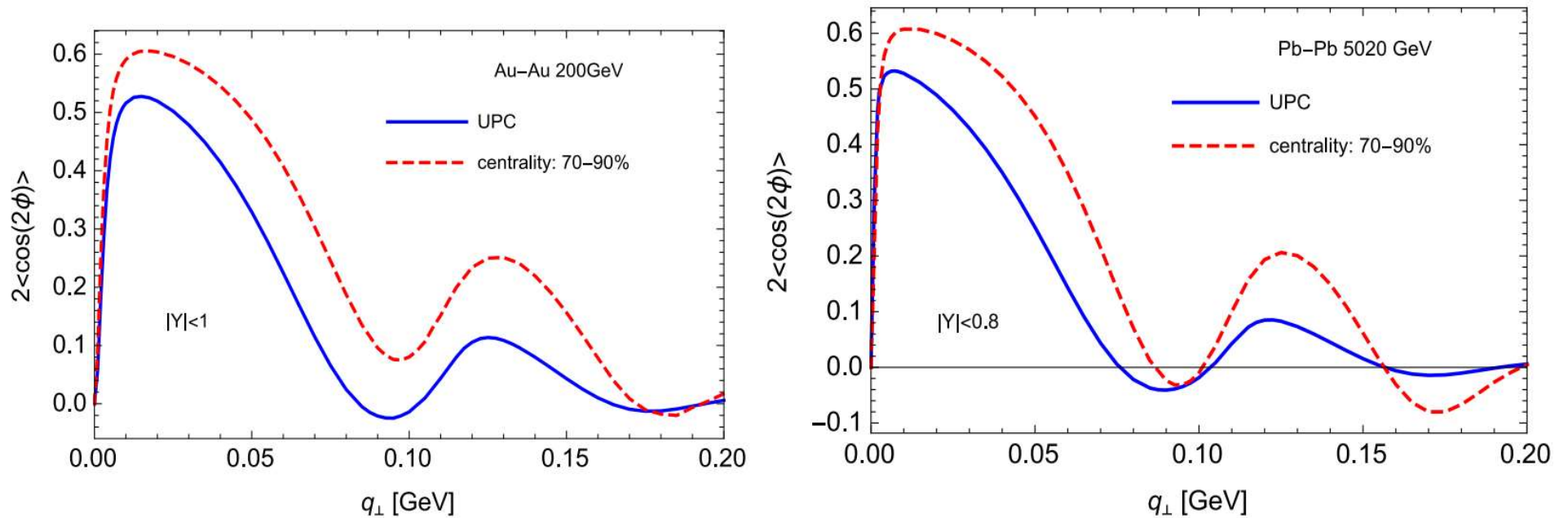
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e-Print: [2006.06206](https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.06206); H.X. Xing, C. Zhang, J. Zhou and Y. J. Zhou; 2020

Gold target	Skin depth	Strong interaction radius
Standard value	0.54fm	6.38fm
Fitted to STAR data	0.64fm	6.9fm



# Predications for PCs at RHIC and LHC energies

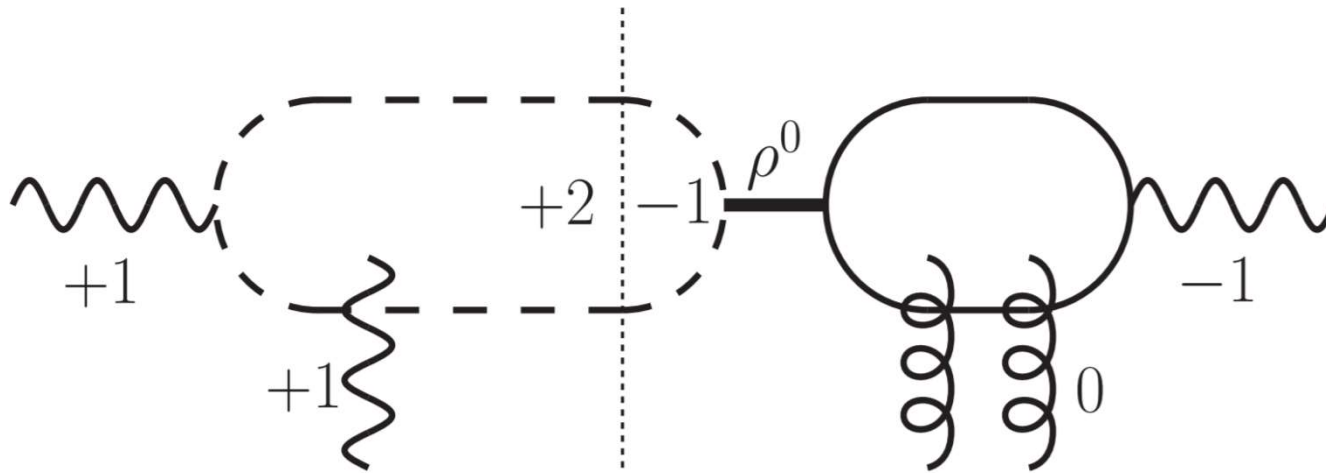


The diffractive shape is sensitive to the distance between two colliding nuclei.

➤ EIC: one slit;      UPCs: two slits

$\text{Cos}\phi$  and  $\text{Cos}3\phi$  in di-pion  
production

# Coulomb nuclear interference



EM production    V.S.    via  $\rho$  decay

EM:     $1/t$

QCD:    nuclear form factor  $F(t=0)$

# EM and QCD amplitudes

Low momentum transfer, pion treated as a point like particle in EM production:

$$\mathcal{M}_{\gamma\gamma\rightarrow\pi\pi} = 2e^2 \left[ \epsilon_{\perp 1}^\gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\perp 2}^\gamma - \frac{2P_\perp^2}{P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2} (\epsilon_{\perp 1}^\gamma \cdot \hat{P}_\perp)(\epsilon_{\perp 2}^\gamma \cdot \hat{P}_\perp) \right]$$

QCD amplitude:

$$\mathcal{M}_{\rho\rightarrow\pi^+\pi^-} = i [\mathcal{A}_{co}(x_g, \Delta_\perp) + \mathcal{A}_{in}(x_g, \Delta_\perp)] f_{\rho\pi\pi} \frac{P_\perp \cdot \epsilon_\perp^V}{Q^2 - M_\rho^2 + iM_\rho\Gamma_\rho}$$

with

$$\mathcal{A}_{co}(x_g, \Delta_\perp) = \int d^2b_\perp e^{-i\Delta_\perp \cdot b_\perp} \int \frac{d^2r_\perp}{4\pi} N(r_\perp, b_\perp) [\Phi^*K](r_\perp)$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{in}(x_g, \Delta_\perp) = \sqrt{A} 2\pi B_p e^{-B_p \Delta_\perp^2/2} \left[ \int \frac{d^2r_\perp}{4\pi} \mathcal{N}(r_\perp) e^{-2\pi(A-1)B_p T_A(b_\perp) \mathcal{N}(r_\perp)} [\Phi^*K](r_\perp) \right]$$

# Azimuthal dependent cross section

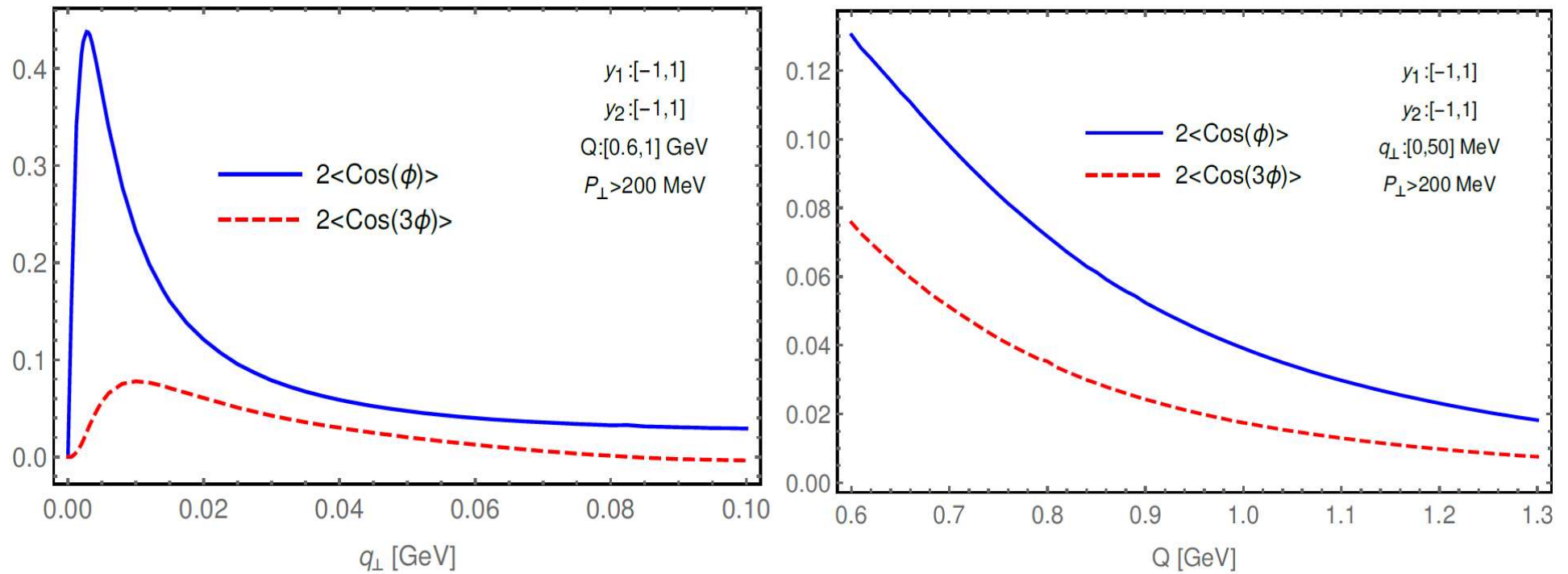
$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\sigma_I}{d^2p_{1\perp}d^2p_{2\perp}dy_1dy_2d^2\tilde{b}_\perp} &= \frac{\alpha_e}{Q^2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \frac{2M_\rho\Gamma_\rho|P_\perp|f_{\rho\pi\pi}}{(Q^2 - M_\rho^2)^2 + M_\rho^2\Gamma_\rho^2} \int d^2\Delta_\perp d^2k_\perp d^2k'_\perp \\
 &\times \delta^2(k_\perp + \Delta_\perp - q_\perp) \left[ \hat{k}_\perp \cdot \hat{\Delta}_\perp - \frac{2P_\perp^2}{P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2} (\hat{k}_\perp \cdot \hat{P}_\perp)(\hat{\Delta}_\perp \cdot \hat{P}_\perp) \right] (\hat{P}_\perp \cdot \hat{k}'_\perp) \\
 &\times 2 \left\{ \left[ e^{i\tilde{b}_\perp \cdot (k'_\perp - k_\perp)} \mathcal{F}(x_1, k_\perp) \mathcal{F}(x_2, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{F}(x_1, k'_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{co}^*(x_2, \Delta'_\perp) \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \left[ e^{i\tilde{b}_\perp \cdot (\Delta'_\perp - k_\perp)} \mathcal{F}(x_2, k_\perp) \mathcal{F}(x_1, \Delta_\perp) \mathcal{F}(x_2, k'_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{co}^*(x_1, \Delta'_\perp) \right] \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Yoshikazu Hagiwara, Cheng Zhang, ZJ and Ya-jin Zhou, 2020

Interesting observation:

- Interference CS vanishes identically when integrating out  $\phi$

# Numerical results



- Constrain the phase of the dipole amplitude

# Summary

- Coherent photons excited by charged heavy ion are linearly polarized
- Rich physics is revealed via azimuthal asymmetries in UPCs
- $J/\psi$  diffractive production.... EIC case.....

**Thank you!**



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