

Overview of DVCS studies

W.P. -> Y.R. -> ATHENA -> ...ePIC

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Exclusive, Diffractive and Tagging PWG

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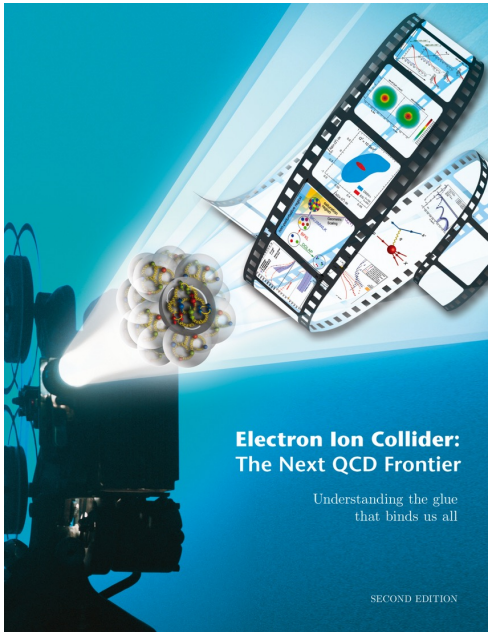
credits and outline

- DVCS studies
 - Pre-White Paper (INT report) and White Paper era
 - The Yellow Report era
 - ATHENA proposal
 - Current updates
- Presentation based on the work of many beyond myself:
 - Kemal Tezgin, Pawel Sznajder, Kong Tu...

The INT report and WP era!



arXiv:1108.1713

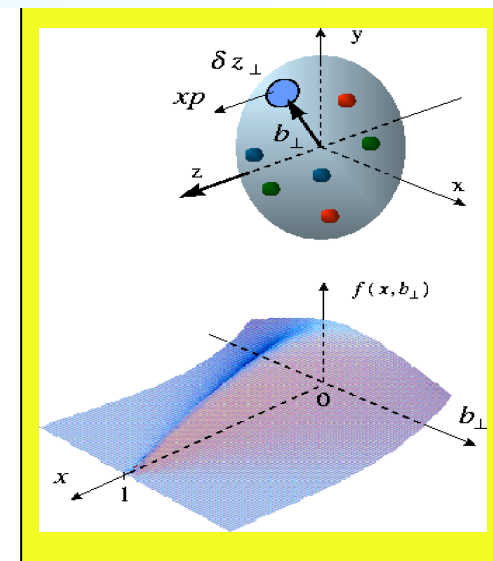


Eur. Phys. J. A (2016) 52: 268

Accessing GPDs

$H^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$	$E^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$	for sum over parton helicities
$\tilde{H}^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$	$\tilde{E}^{q,g}(x, \xi, t)$	for difference over parton helicities
nucleon helicity conserved	nucleon helicity changed	

The nucleon (spin-1/2) has **four quark and gluon GPDs**



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \sim A_0 \left[|H|^2(x, t, Q^2) - \frac{t}{4M_p^2} |E|^2(x, t, Q^2) \right]$$

Dominated by H
slightly dependent on E

$$A_{UT} \propto \sqrt{\frac{-t}{4M^2}} \left[F_2(t) H(\xi, \xi, t, Q^2) - F_1(t) E(\xi, \xi, t, Q^2) + \dots \right]$$

$\sin(\Phi_T - \phi_N)$
governed by E and H

[Requires a polarized proton target]

Responsible for total orbital angular momentum through Ji sum rule:
a window to the SPIN physics

$$\sum_{q=u,d,s} J^q(Q^2) + J^G(Q^2) = \frac{1}{2} \hbar$$

[X.D. Ji, Phys. Rev. Lett. 78, 610 (1997)]

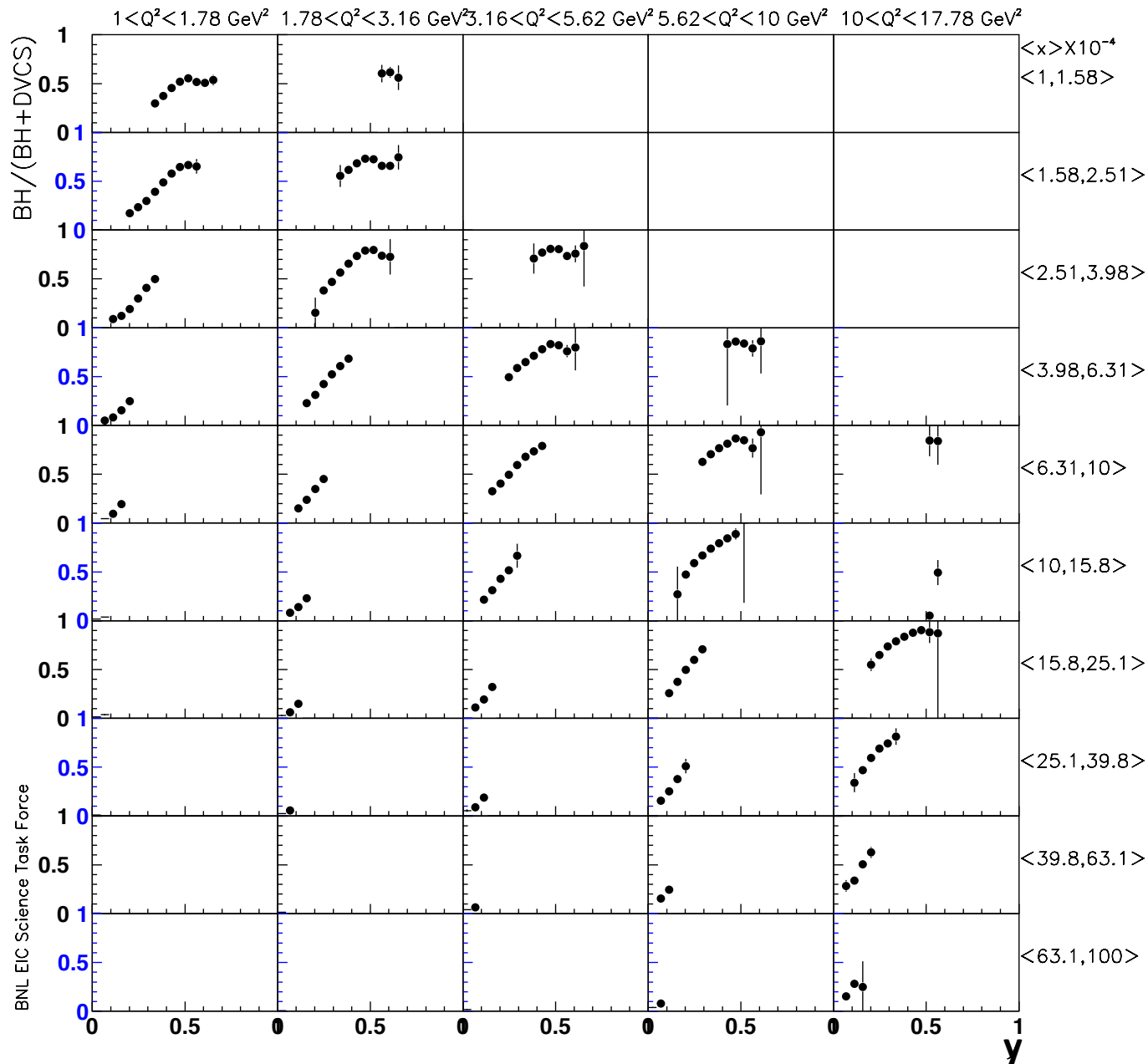
$$A_C = \frac{d\sigma^+ - d\sigma^-}{d\sigma^+ + d\sigma^-} \propto \text{Re}(A)$$

Done @ HERA

[Requires a positron beam]

$\text{Re}(A)$ related to D-term, “last global unknown property” of a hadron, related to distribution of forces inside the nucleon
[M. V. Polyakov and P. Schweitzer, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 33, no. 26, 1830025 (2018)]

20 X 250



BH contamination

Special selection criteria can be optimized to suppress BH below 60% at large $y > 0.5$

20 x 250 GeV²

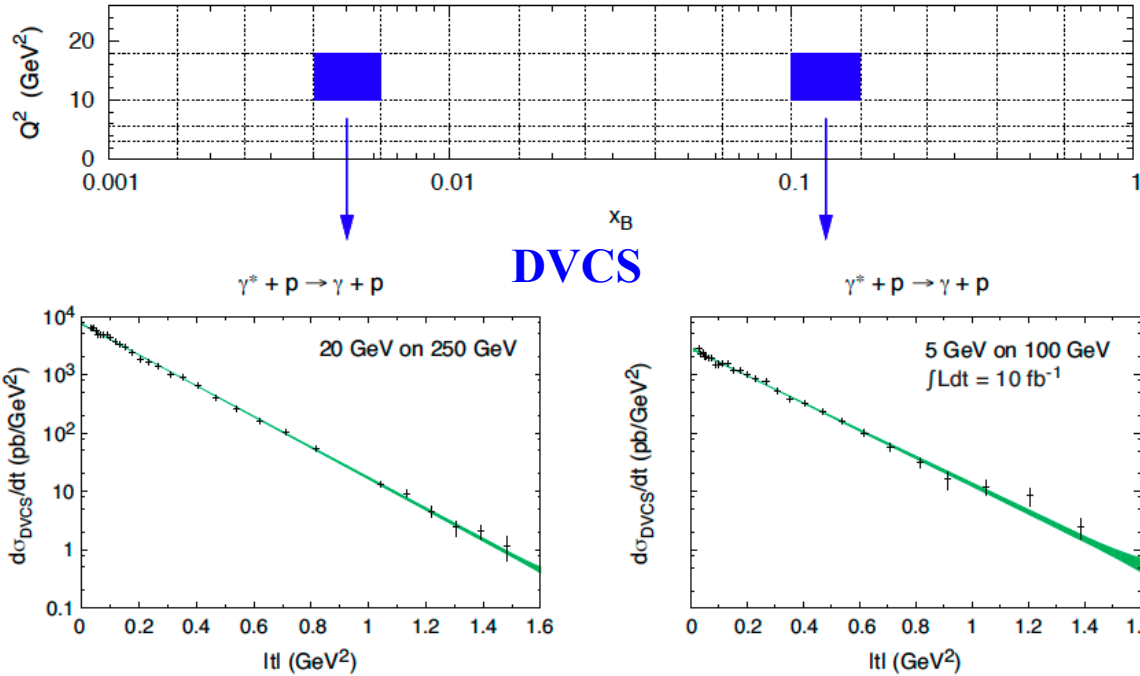
- BH subtraction will be not an issue for $y < 0.6$
- But... BH subtraction will be relevant at lower energies and large y , in many x - Q^2 bins
- Low energy configurations require extra care

Now confirmed by simulations with the EpiC generator

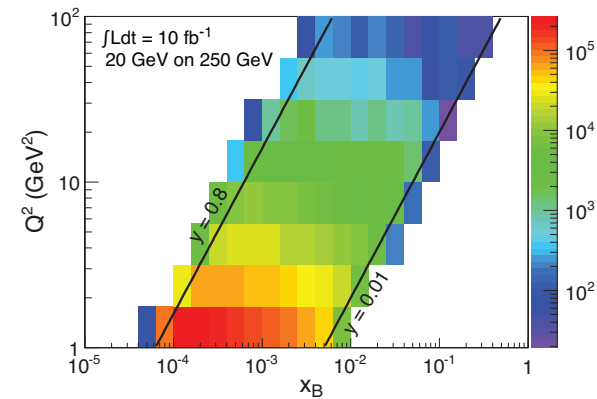
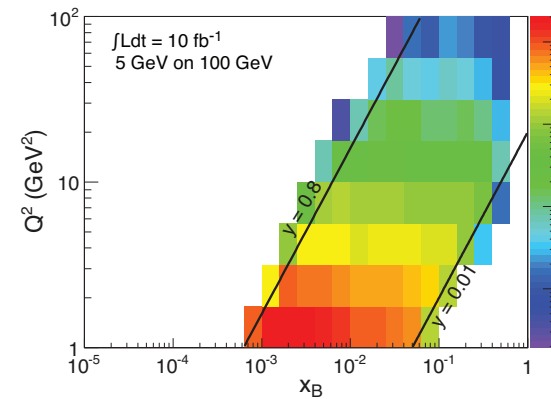
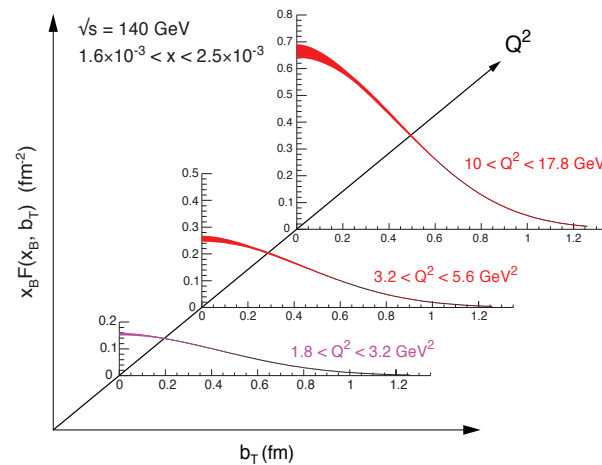
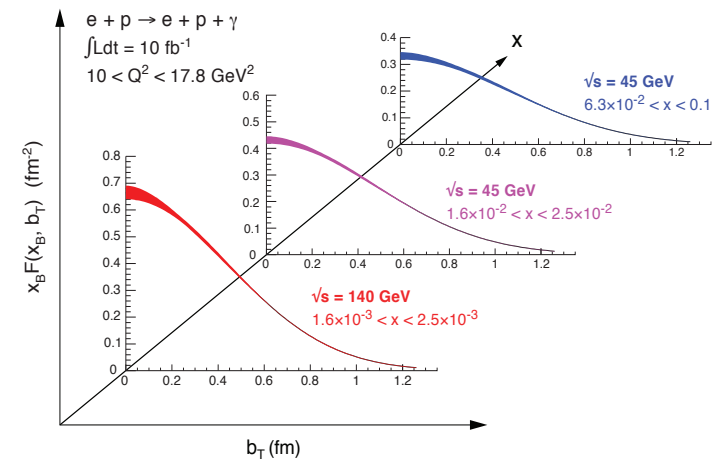
DVCS – differential cross section

$$\int L = 10 fb^{-1}$$

EIC White Paper



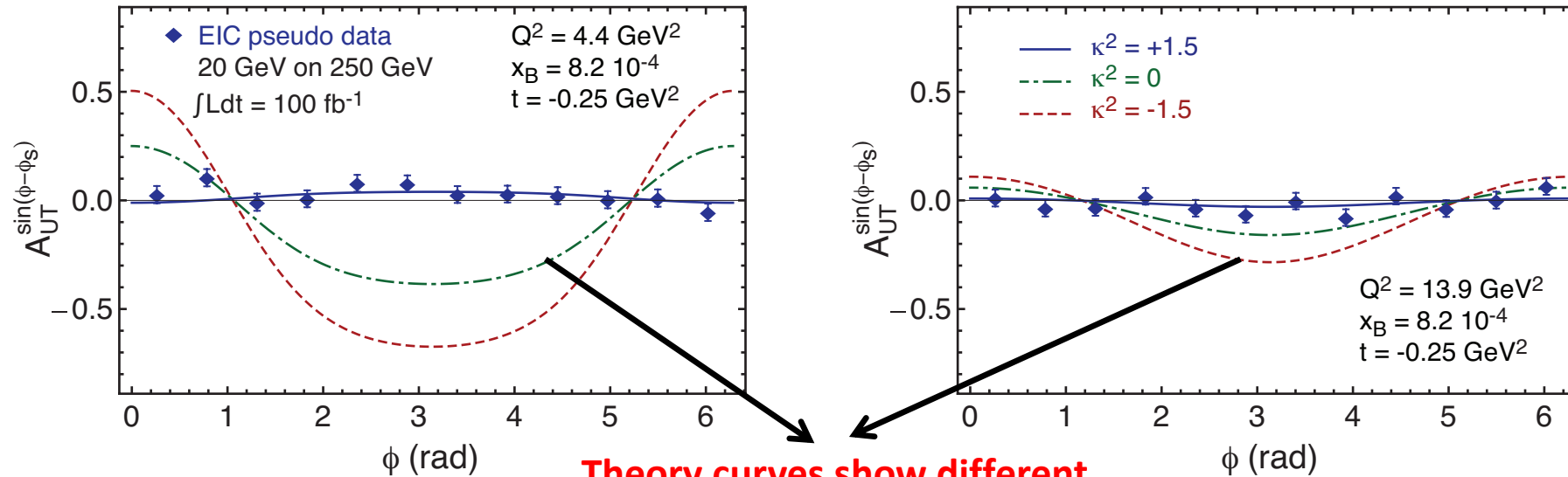
- $L = 10 fb^{-1}$ per energy configuration
- **Measurement dominated by systematics**
- Fine binning in a wide range of x - Q^2 needed for GPDs
- **Assumed t -range:** $0.03 < |t|$ (GeV²) < 1.6
- Fourier transform of $d\sigma/dt \rightarrow$ partonic profiles



DVCS – Transverse T. Spin Asymmetry

$$\int L = 100 fb^{-1}$$

E.C. Aschenauer, S. F., K. Kumerički, D. Müller [JHEP09(2013)093]



Theory curves show different assumptions for E

Transversely polarized protons: $\sin(\Phi_T - \phi_N)$

gives access to GPD E

Access to orbital angular momentum through “Ji sum rule”

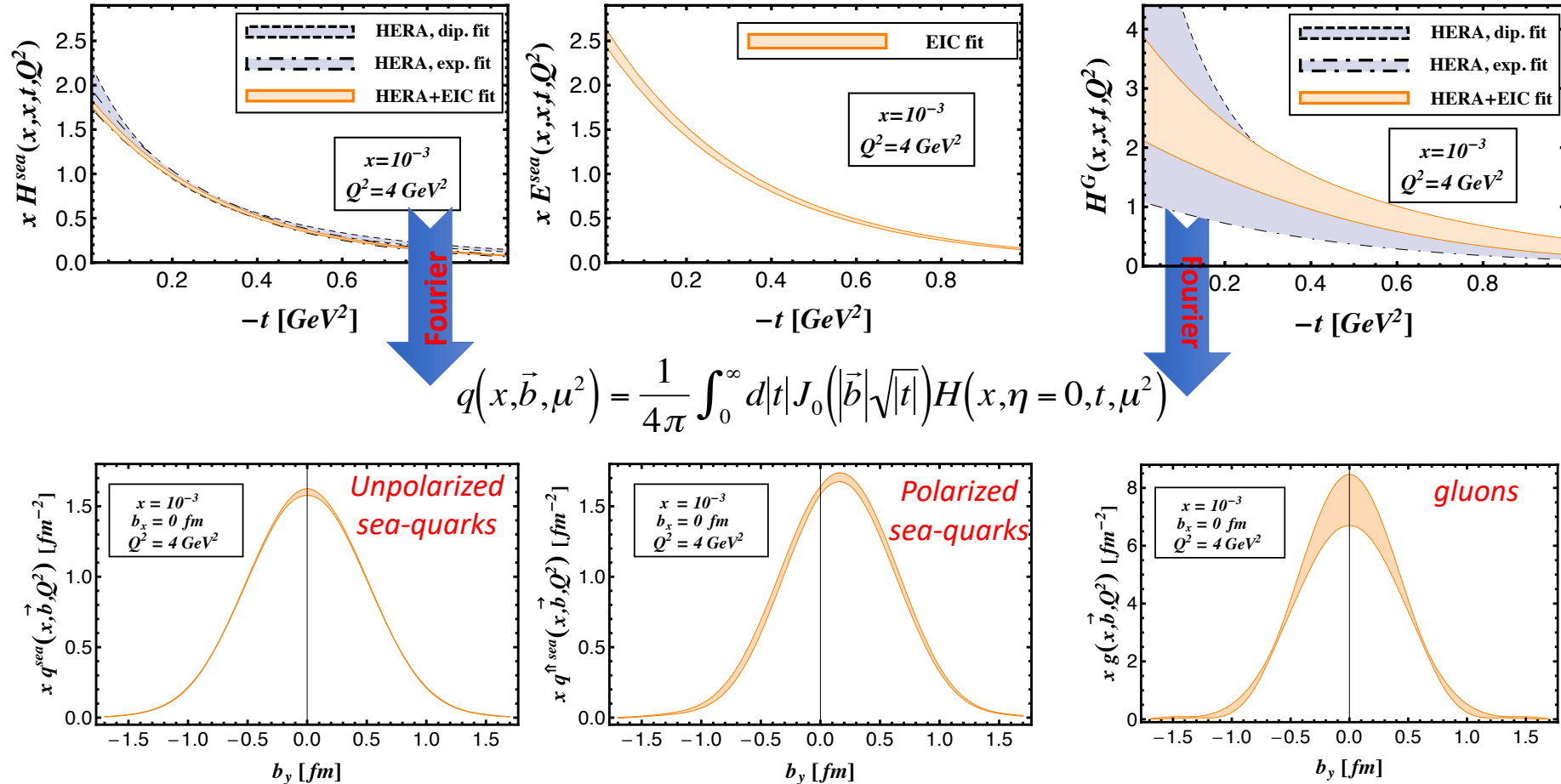
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DVCS-based spatial imaging

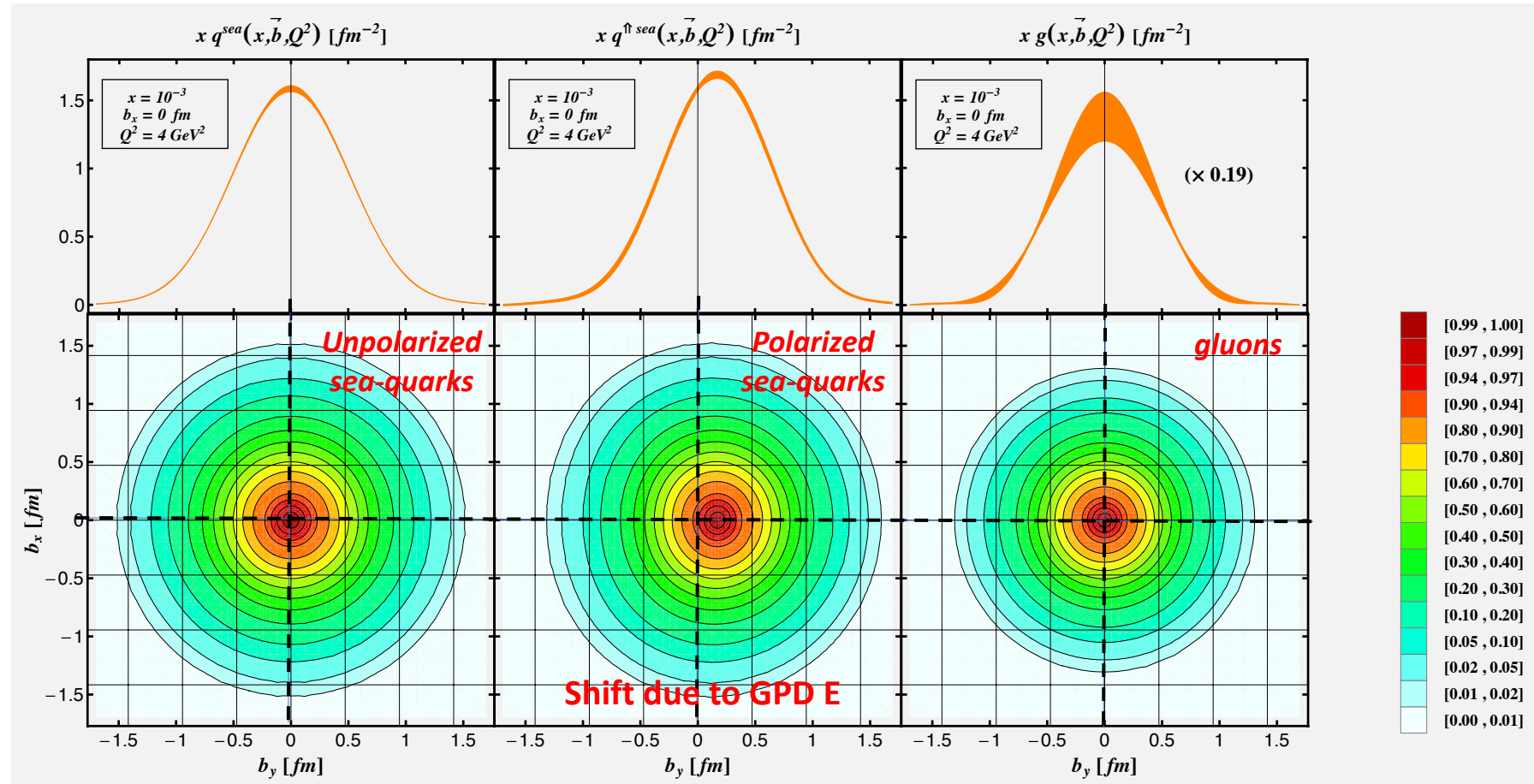
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- A global fit over all mock data was done, based on: [Nuclear Physics B 794 (2008) 244–323]
- Known values $q(x)$, $g(x)$ are assumed for H^q , H^g (at $t=0$ forward limits E^q , E^g are unknown)

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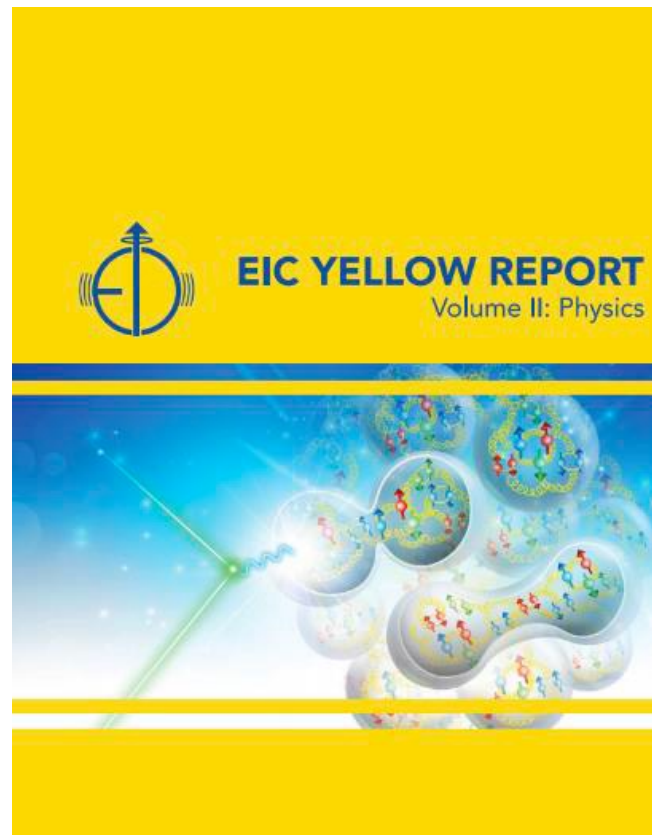
Much still to be investigated!

- Gluon GPD H can be much improved by including J/ψ
- Access to gluon GPD E $\rightarrow$ orbital momentum (Ji sum rule)
- **Flavor Separation of GPDs** (VMP and/or DVCS on deuteron)
- Nuclear imaging (modification of GPDs in p+A collisions)

Impact of EIC (based on DVCS only):

- ✓ Excellent reconstruction of H^{sea} , and H^g (from $d\sigma/dt$)
- ✓ Reconstruction of sea-quarks GPD E

The Yellow Report studies



arXiv:2103.05419

Comparison of GK and KM20 in MILOU 3D

- We compare the generation of purely DVCS events in MILOU with GK (by PARTONS) and KM20 @ EIC beam energies
- Generation parameters as follows:

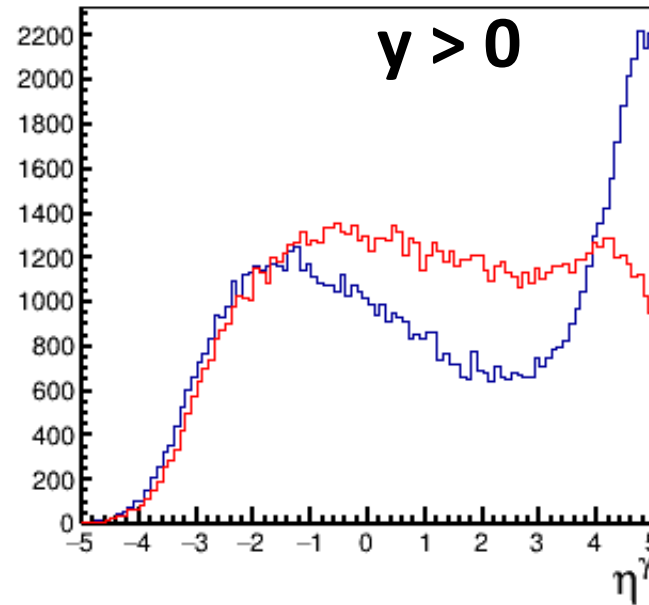
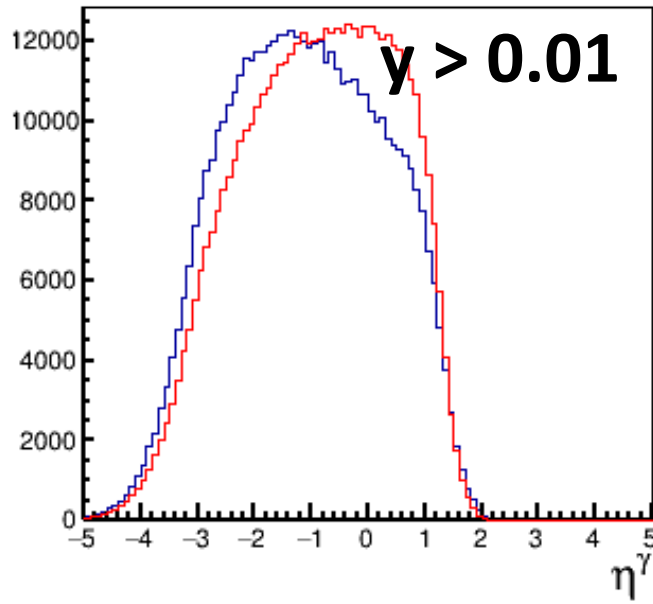
of Generated Events: 500k /configuration

Kinematical cuts at generation level

- $10^{-4} < x < 0.9$
- $1.0 < Q^2 < 100 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $0.01 < |t| < 1.6 \text{ GeV}^2$
- **$0.01 < y < 0.95$ [inelasticity]**
- $E_{\text{min}}^{\text{el}} = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$

Photons at Forward Rapidity

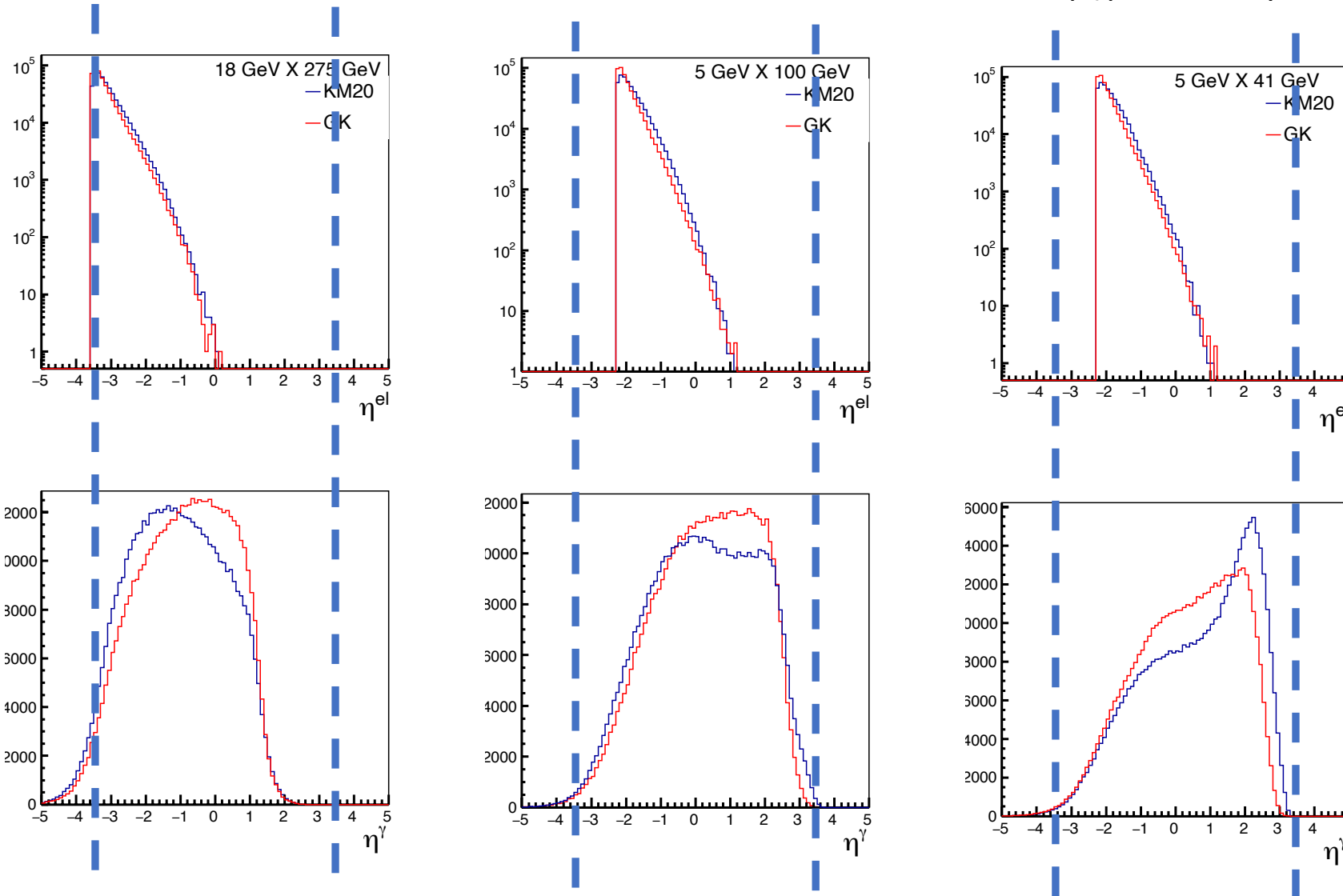
MILOU (GK, KM20)



- Photons extended to forward rapidity!
- There was some discussion on this with the Y.R., as it seemed to contrast with expectations from W.P. and plots with MILOU
- After investigation we found that this is driven by the lower inelasticity cuts (commonly assume $y > 0.01$)

DVCS – model comparison

Blue dashed bars mark $|\eta| < 3.5$ acceptance



Simulated with MILOU 3D

- Not a significant impact of $|\eta| < 3.5$
- At large energies, extending to $\eta > \sim -3.7$ helps measuring the peak of the scattered electron

DVCS vs exclusive π^0

❑ Why we worry about a background from “ $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ” ?

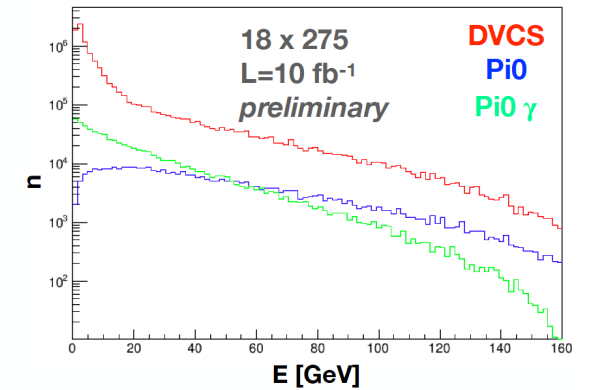
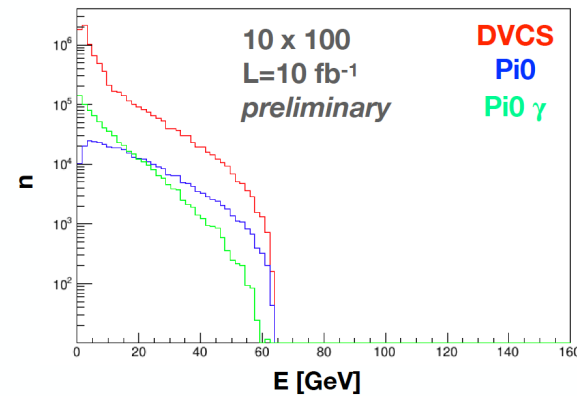
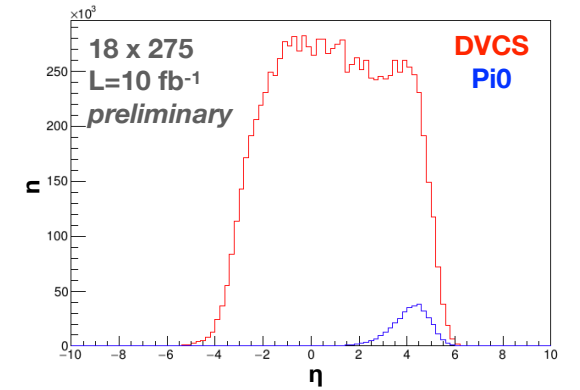
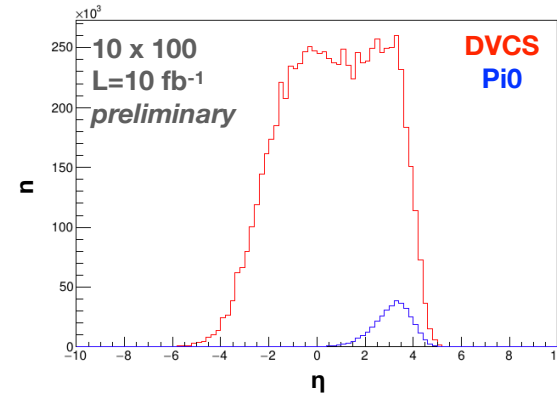
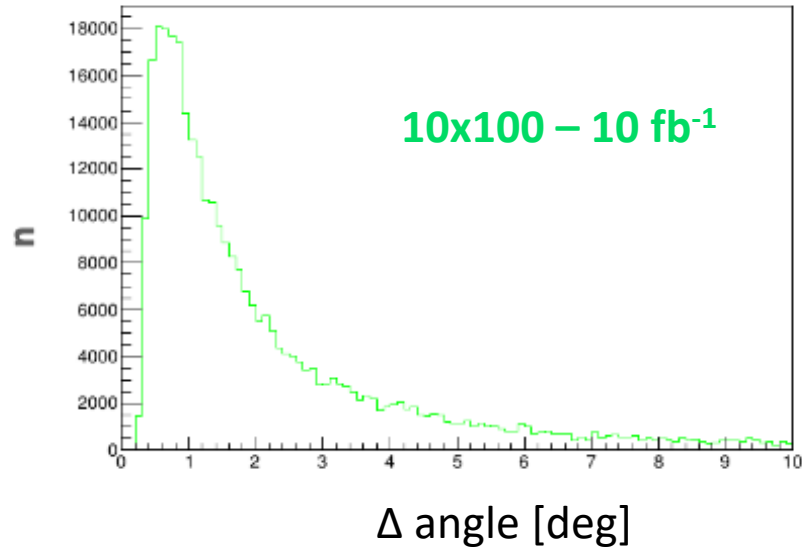
- 1) The two decay photons could merge into one
- 2) One of the photons could go out of the acceptance

❑ Study based on [Goloskokov-Kroll model](#)

❑ Kinematic range:

- $10^{-4} < x_B < 0.7$
- $1 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 1000 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $0 < |t| < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

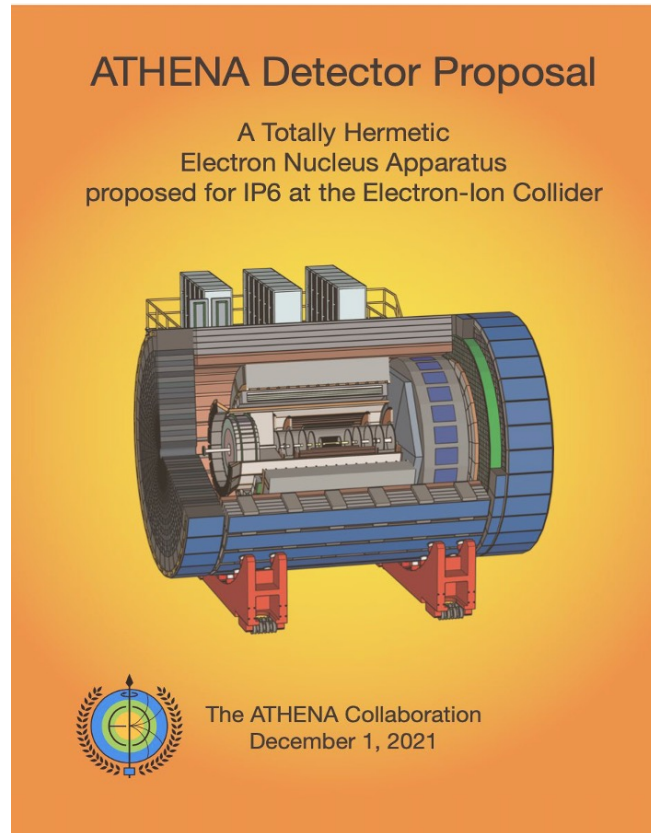
DVCS vs exclusive π^0



Take away message:

- π^0 x-sec lower than signal (DVCS)
- Min 2γ angle ~ 0.2 deg
- Exclusive π^0 can reach high momentum/energy (but xSec decreases with meson's energy)

Studies at the times of the ATHENA proposal



Accepted on: JINST_063P_0522

The EpIC generator: a new tool!



- **EpIC**: an event generator for exclusive reactions
 - Named after EIC and the philosopher *Epicurus*
 - Note: we inspired the name for EIC detecor-1 😊
- **EpIC** uses the **PARTONS** framework (<http://partons.cea.fr>), takes advantage of:
 - two state-of-art GPD models (GK, KM20)
 - flexibility for adding new models
- **Multiple channels**: DVCS, TCS, π^0
 - Initial and final state radiative corrections are implemented based on the collinear approximation
 - flexibility for adding all exclusive mesons

EpIC: novel Monte Carlo generator for exclusive processes

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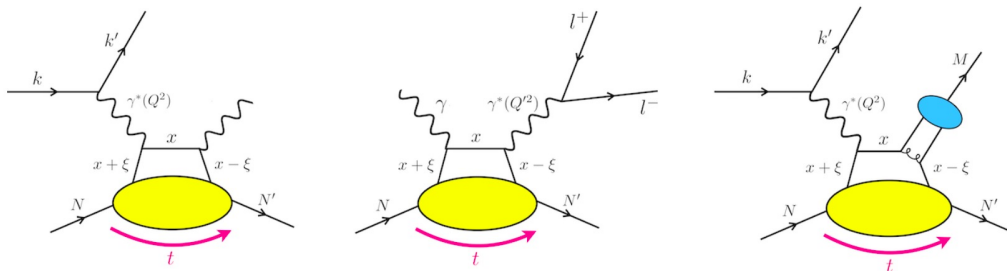
Abstract We present the EpIC Monte Carlo event generator for exclusive processes sensitive to generalised parton distributions. EpIC utilises the PARTONS framework, which provides a flexible software architecture and a variety of modelling options for the partonic description of the nucleon. The generator offers a comprehensive set of features, including multi-channel capabilities and radiative corrections. It may be used both in analyses of experimental data, as well as in impact studies, especially for future electron-ion colliders.

like separations. In case there is no momentum transfer to the nucleon, *i.e.* in the forward limit, certain GPDs become equivalent to PDFs. Additionally, the first Mellin moments of GPDs are related to elastic form factors. In this regard, GPDs may be viewed as a unified concept of elastic form factors studied via elastic scattering processes and one-dimensional parton distribution functions studied via (semi-) inclusive scattering processes. Another key aspect of GPDs is their relation to nucleon tomography. The Fourier transform of GPDs are related to the impact parameter space distribution.

[arXiv:2205.01762](https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.01762)

Accepted for publication on: EPJC

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The EpIC generator

- EpIC uses mini FOAM to generate random events
- GPDs framework:



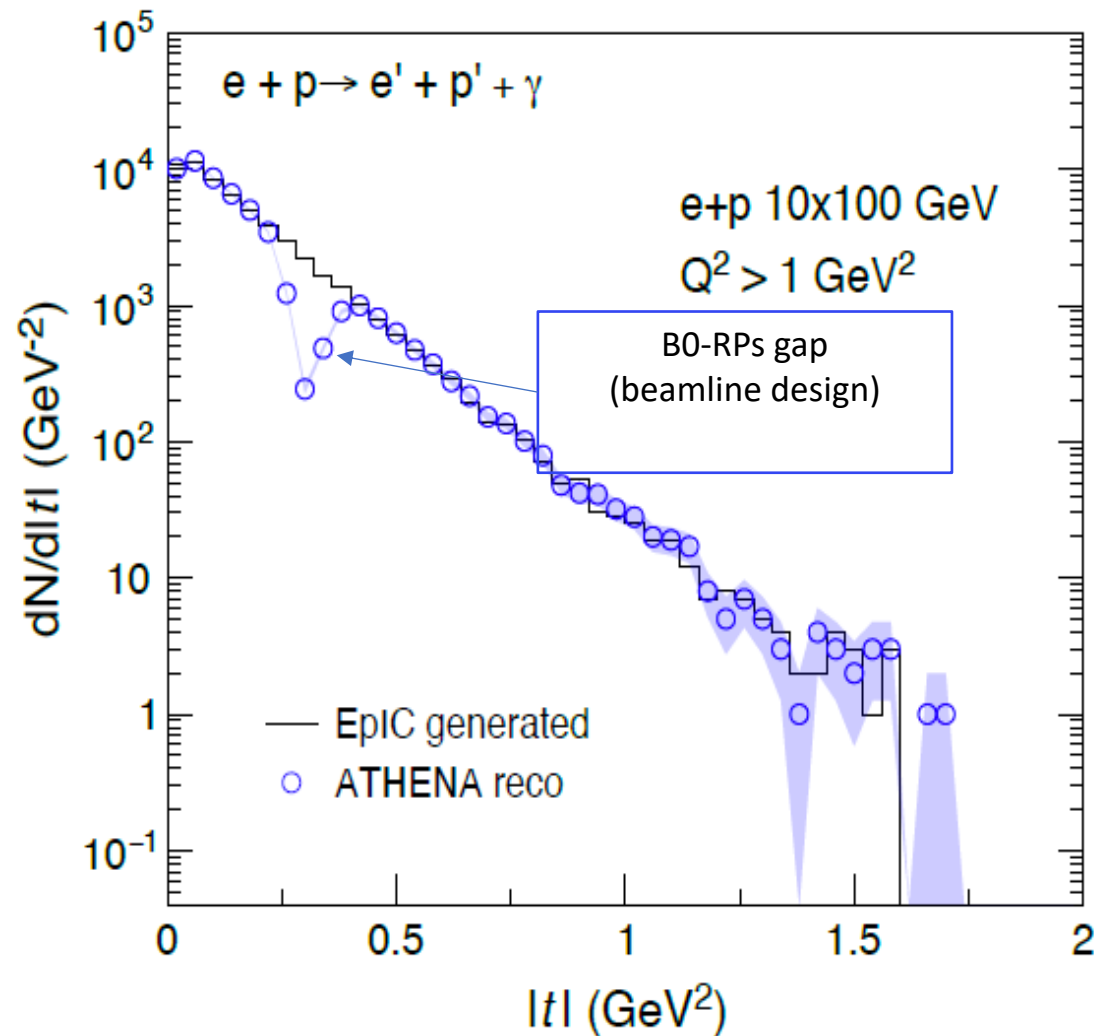
- Written in **C++**, XML interface for automated tasks, [open source](#)
- Flexible Architecture that utilises a modular programming paradigm
- Used for the [ATHENA proposal](#): DVCS and TCS performance studies
- **Input file:** model, model parameters, number of events, kinematic limits, beam and target type, beam helicity, target polarization, beam and target energy, mFOAM parameters
- **Output file:** 4-vectors of all particles

ATHENA performance plots

- Plot made with full simulation
- DVCS events simulated using **EpIC**

Key:

- Acceptance (including FF)
- γ/π^0 separation in ECAL
- t - lever arm in FF spectrometers



Observables:

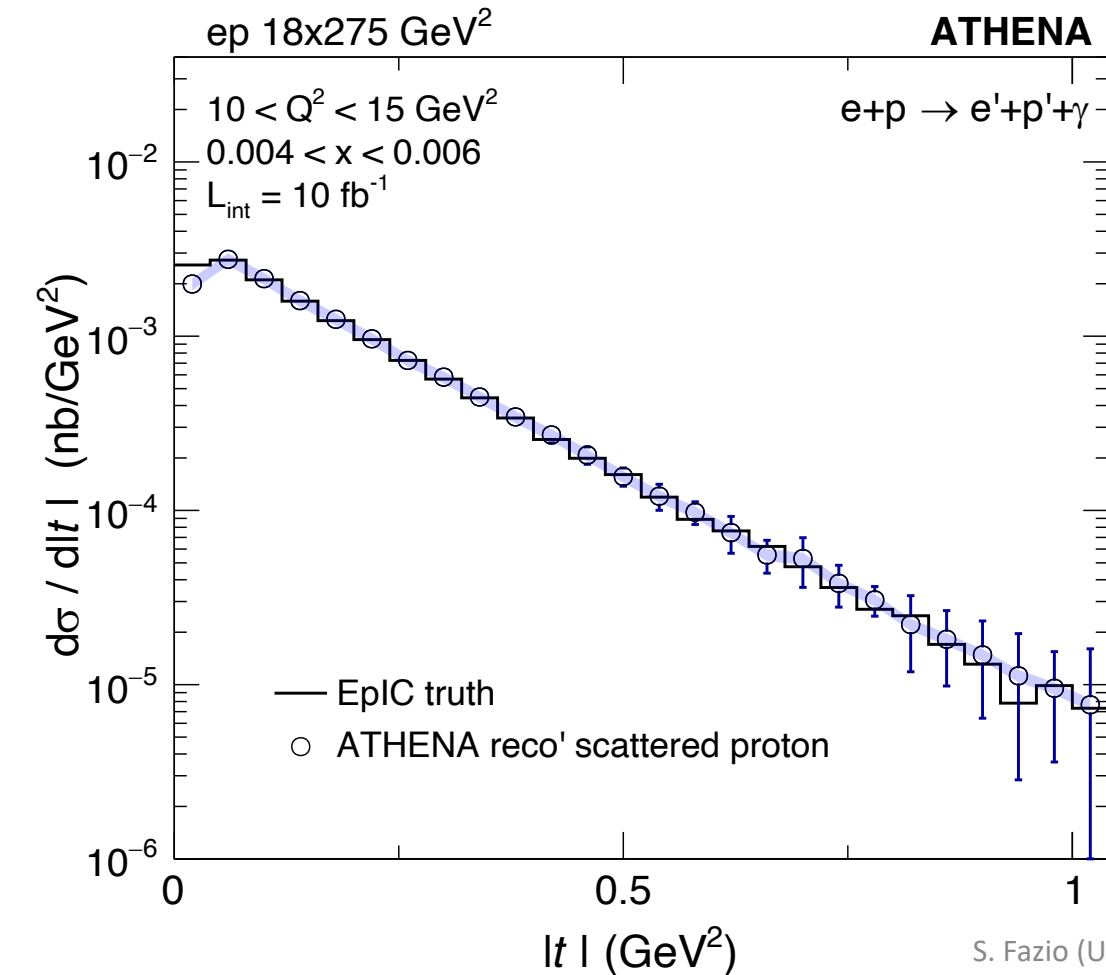
$d\sigma/dt$; A_{LU} ; A_{UT}

Asymmetries (DVCS & TCS):

GPDs via amplitude-level interference with Bethe-Heitler

ATHENA performance plots

- Plot made with full simulation
- DVCS events simulated using *EplC*



- **Process: DVCS**

$$e + p \rightarrow e' + p' + \gamma$$
- **Parameters**
 - 10 < Q² < 15 GeV²
 - 0.004 < x < 0.006
 - Beam energy: 18 GeV x 275 GeV e+p
 - Luminosity = 10 fb⁻¹
- **Uncertainties**
 - 1M simulated events
 - **Error bars (statistical)** are rescaled to 10 fb⁻¹ equivalent;
 - **Blue band (systematics):** *assumed 8% constant systematics*
 → Note that estimating systematics at the current stage is nearly impossible. Arbitrary 8% is a very conservative number)

After ATHENA...

Radiative Corrections (update)

Work done with Kemal Tezgin

R.C.s – kinematic cuts

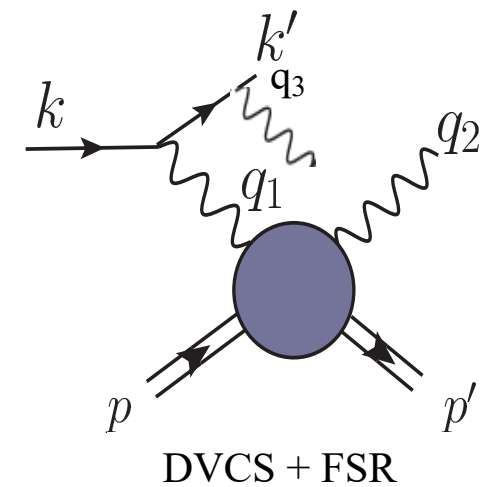
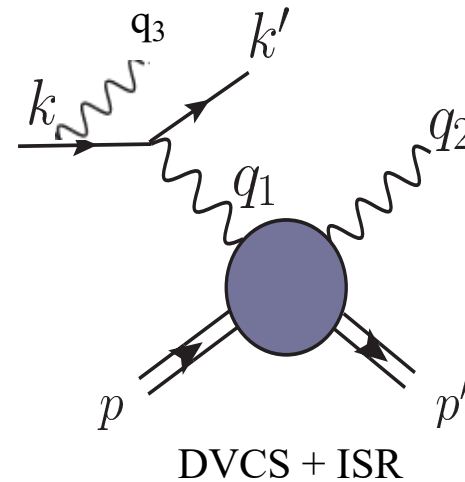
- Pure DVCS with 10 GeV electron and 100 GeV proton
- Kinematic cuts:

$$0.0001 < x_B < 0.63$$

$$1 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 100 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$0.04 < |t| < 1.3 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$0.01 < y < 0.6$$



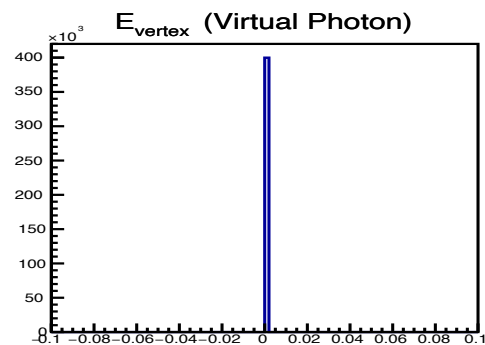
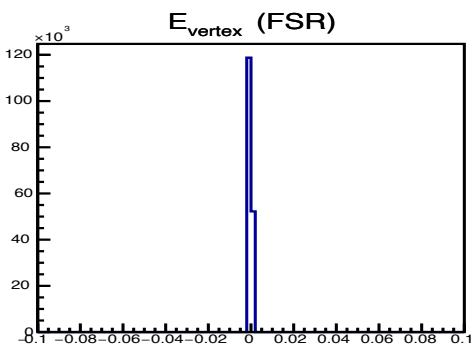
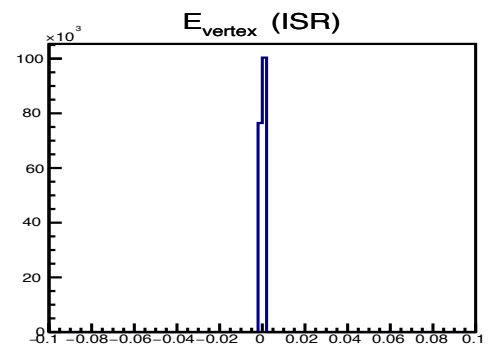
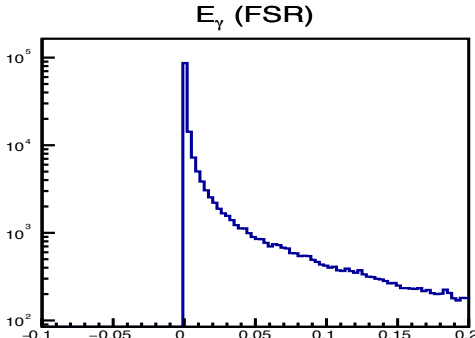
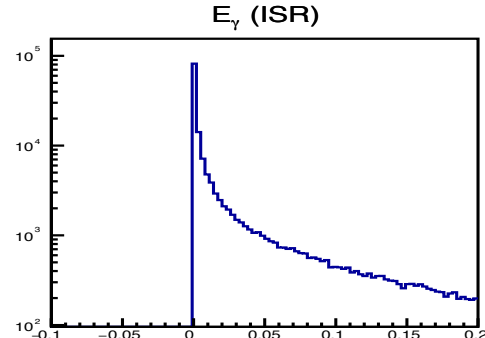
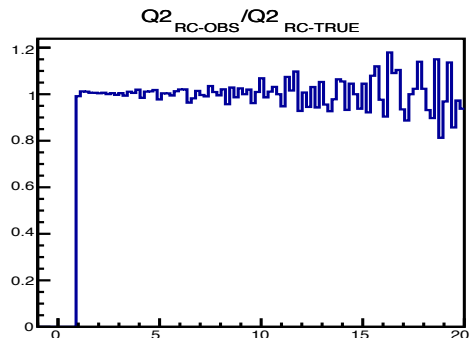
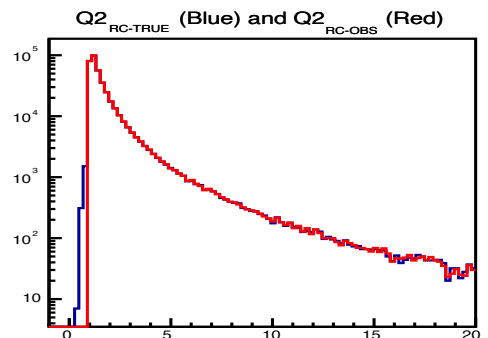
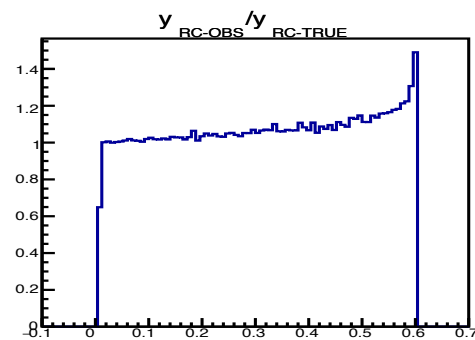
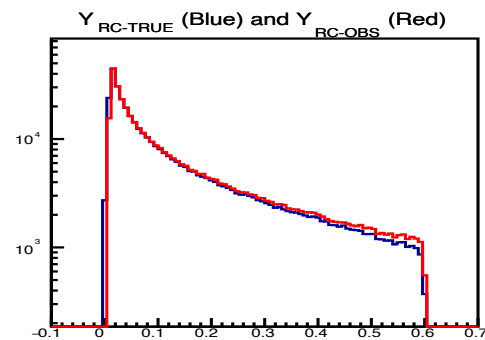
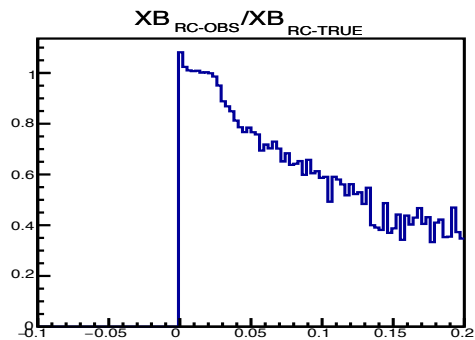
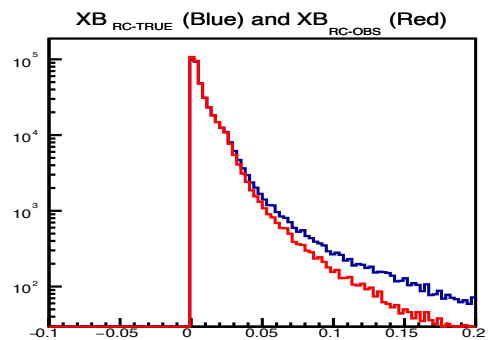
To reduce radiative corrections (established at HERA!) :

- FSR: e/gamma separation in EMCAL (granularity)
- $\sum E - P_Z > \sim 2E_e$ (cut little below this threshold)

10 x 100 GeV²

No cut on $\sum E - P_Z$ & $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$

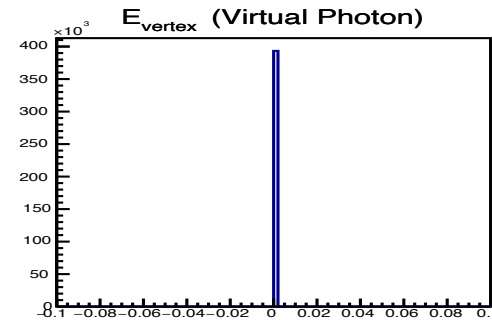
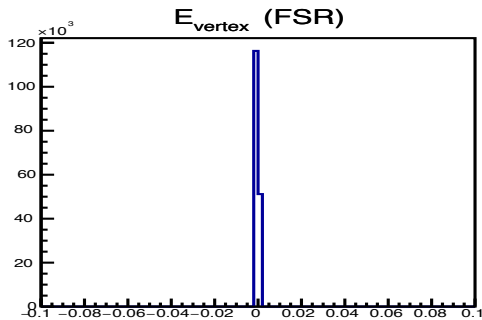
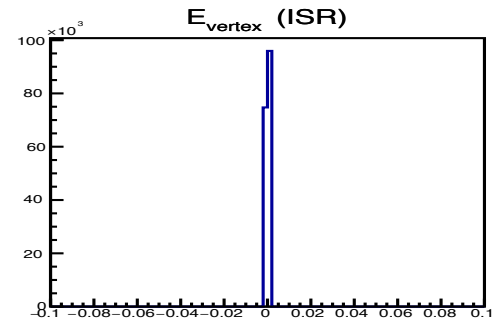
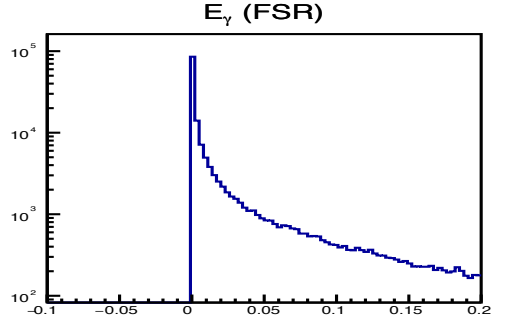
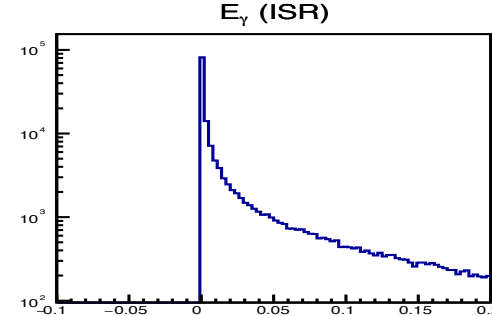
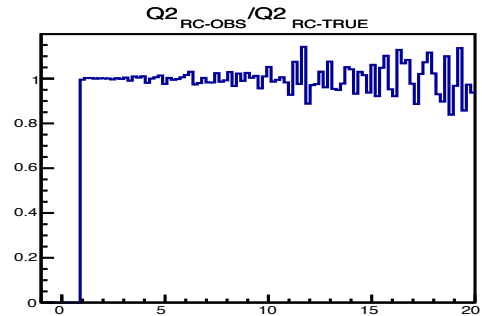
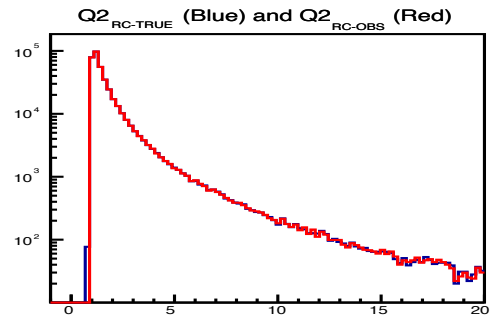
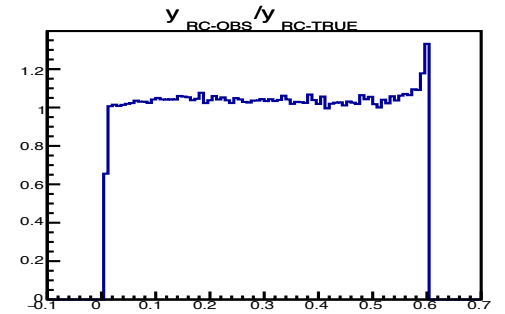
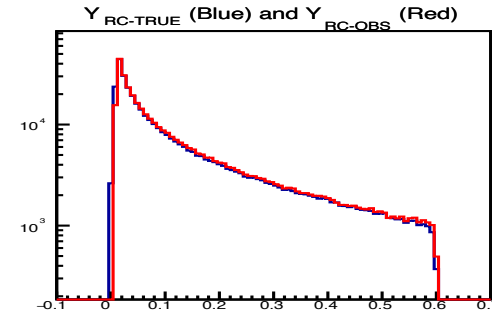
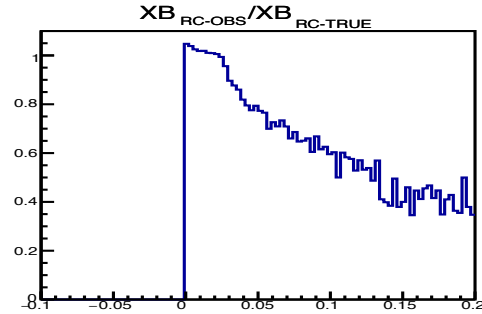
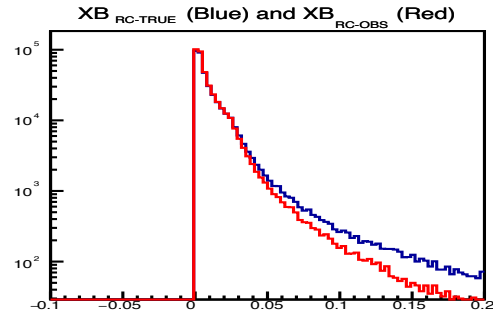
ϵ param. linked to minimum rad. photon energy



10 x 100 GeV²

$$\sum E - P_Z > 17 \text{ GeV} \ \& \ \epsilon = 10^{-6}$$

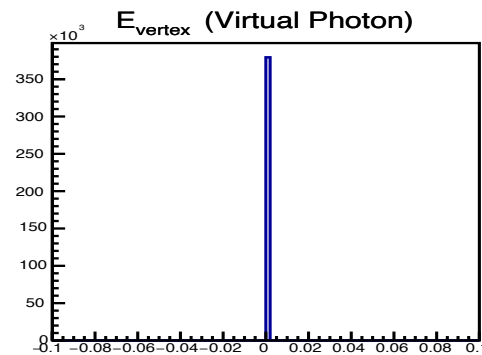
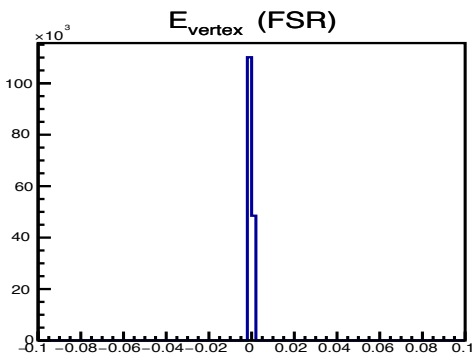
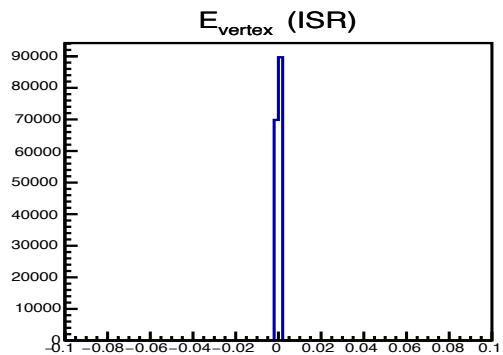
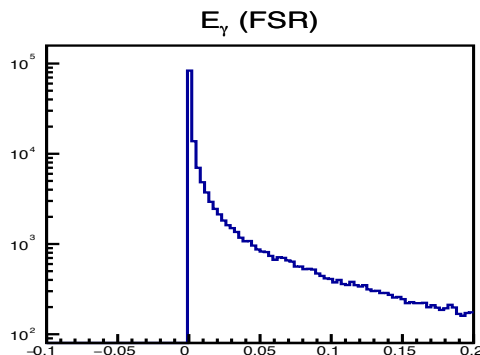
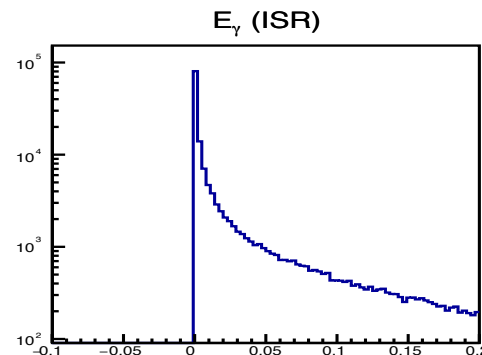
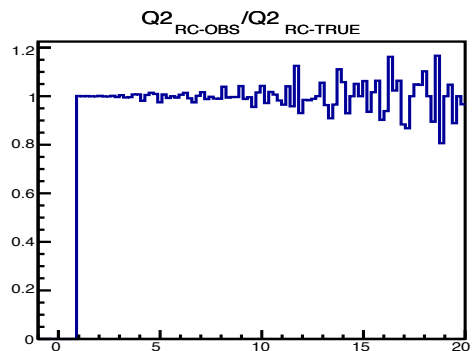
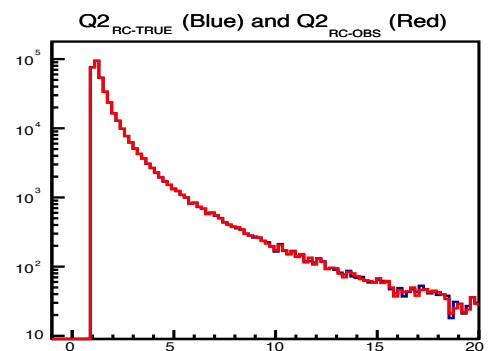
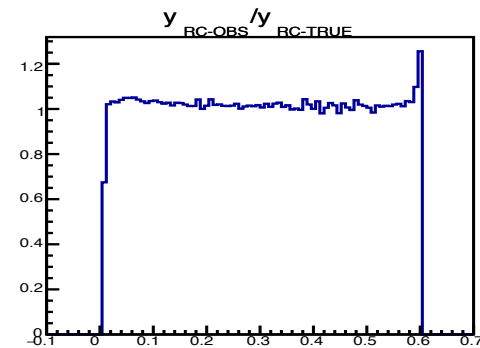
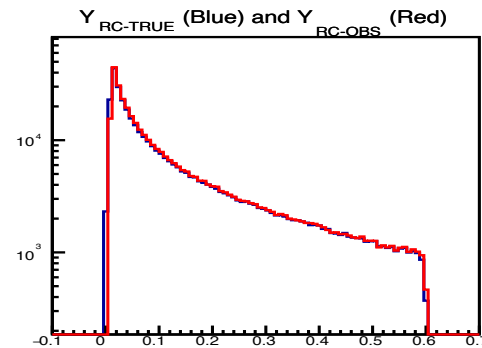
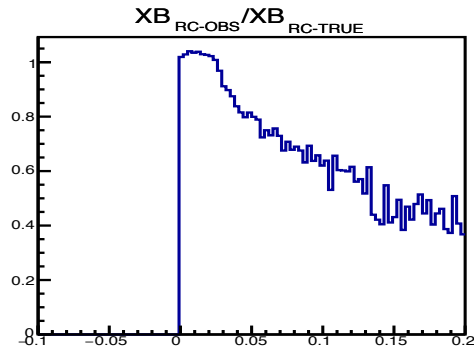
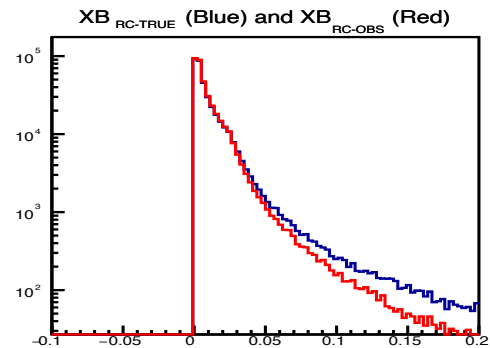
ϵ param. linked to minimum rad. photon energy



10 x 100 GeV²

$$\sum E - P_Z > 19 \text{ GeV} \ \& \ \epsilon = 10^{-6}$$

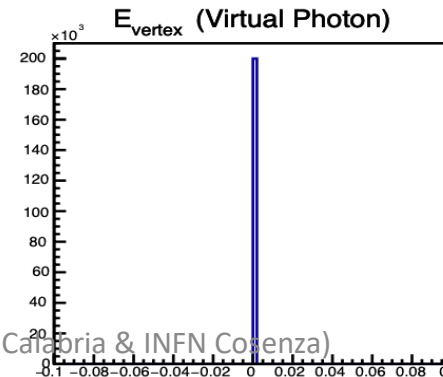
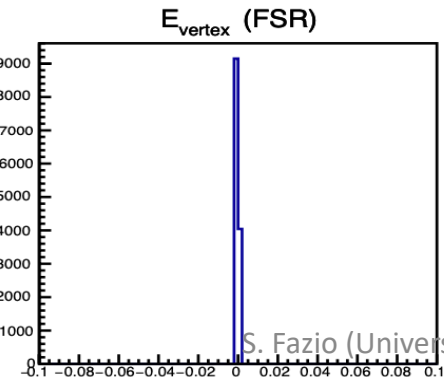
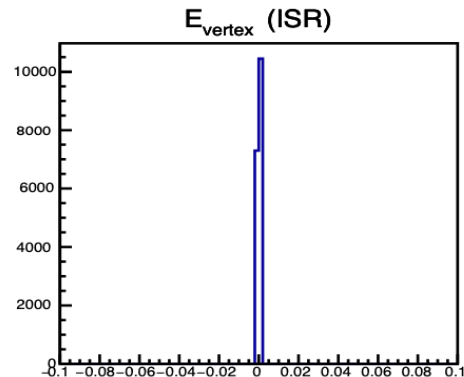
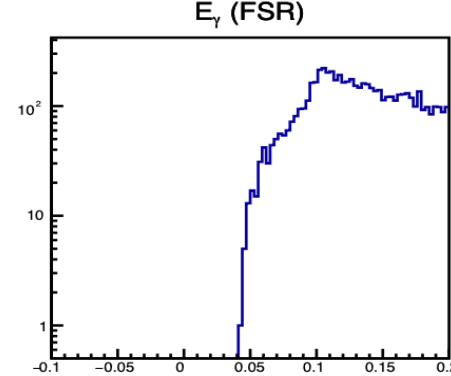
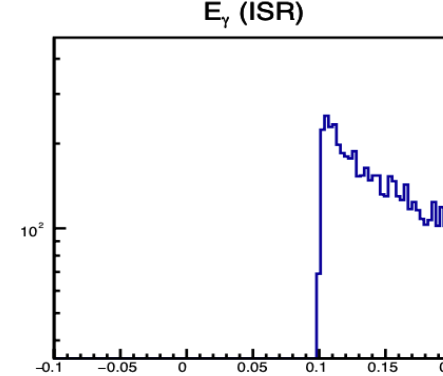
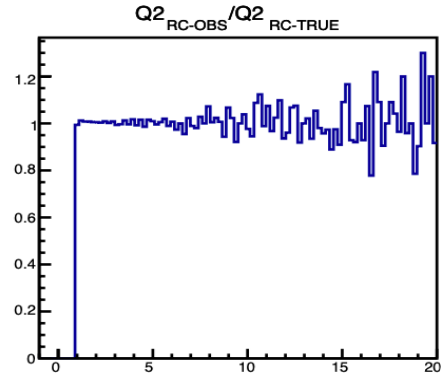
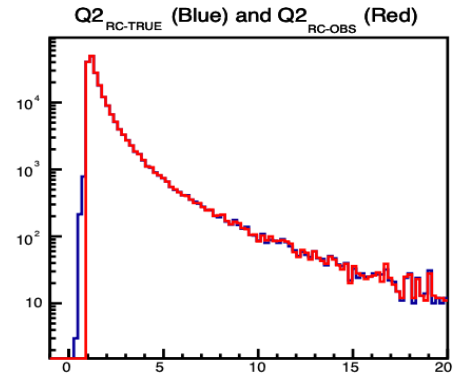
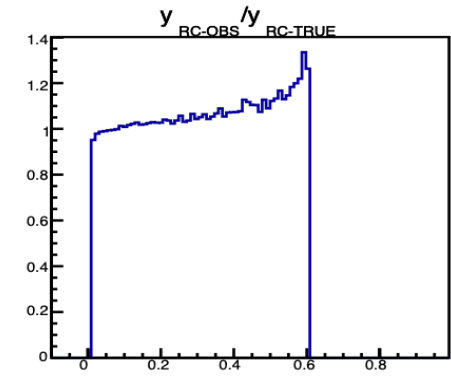
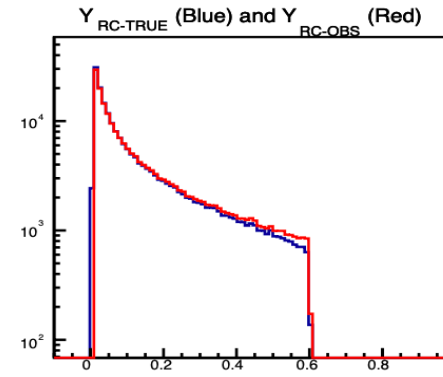
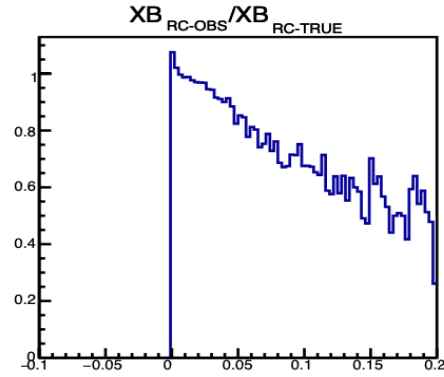
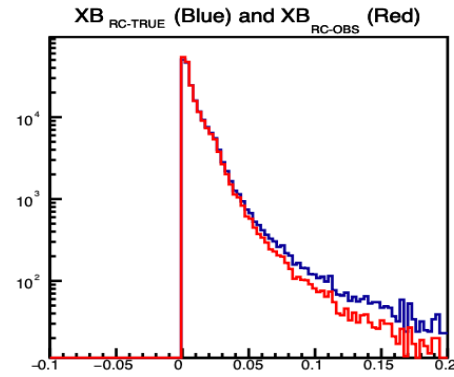
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10 x 100 GeV²

No cut on $\sum E - P_z$ & $\epsilon = 10^{-2}$

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The present: impact studies!

- Radiative effects seem not to be very large at EIC kinematics $\rightarrow$ E- p_z cut
- We aim at performing new impact studies for extracting GPDs, similarly to what was done in JHEP09(2013)093, now with:
 - geant-4 simulation of the [ePIC detector response](#) and [realistic event reconstruction](#)
 - BH subtraction in xsec and π^0 background studies
 - state of art models: GK and KM20
- EpIC:
 - fully replaces MILOU & MILUO 3D. Maintained, using state of art models
 - Anyone encouraged to use it: [arXiv:2205.01762](#)