



# Single Diffractive Hard Exclusive Process

Zhite Yu

(Michigan State University)

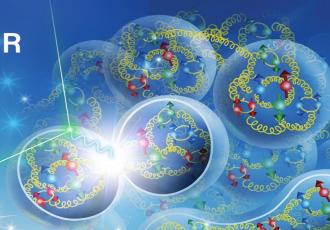
In collaboration with: Jian-wei Qiu (Jefferson Lab)

JHEP 08 (2022) 103, PRD 107 (2023) 014007, arXiv:2305.XXXX

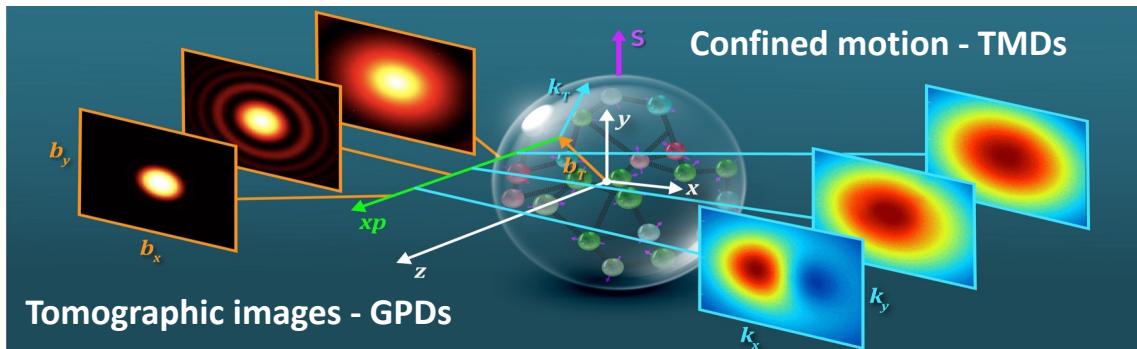
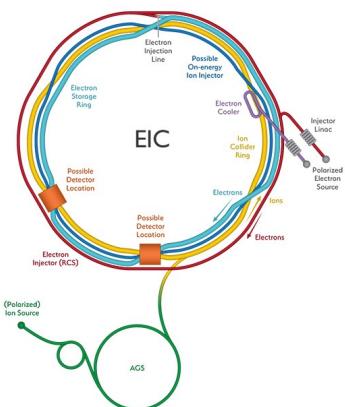
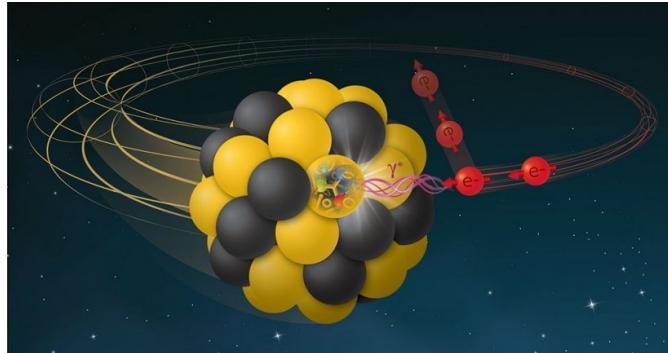
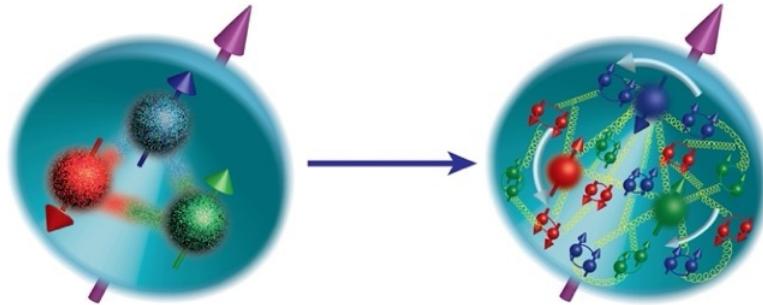
**International Workshop on a 2nd Detector for the EIC**  
**May/19/2023**

1<sup>ST</sup> INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON A 2<sup>ND</sup> DETECTOR  
FOR THE ELECTRON-ION COLLIDER

Temple University, Philadelphia, PA  
May 17-19, 2023

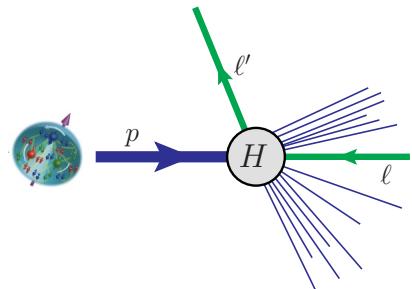


# *QCD Femtography --- Central Goal of EIC*



# *QCD Femtography --- Hard inclusive processes as probes*

## DIS and PDF



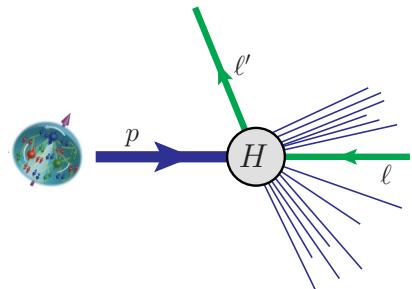
Single scale  $Q$



One-dim. structure  $f_i(x)$

# *QCD Femtography --- Hard inclusive processes as probes*

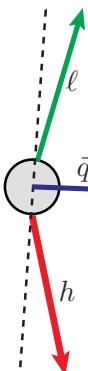
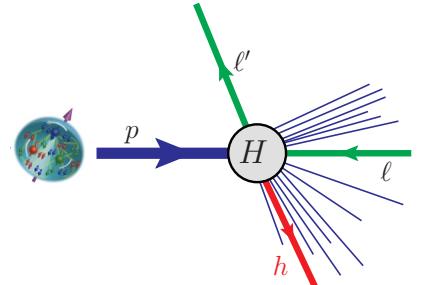
## DIS and PDF



Single scale  $Q$

One-dim. structure  $f_i(x)$

## SIDIS and TMD

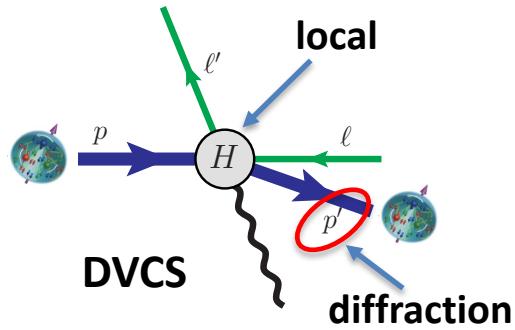


Two scales:  $Q \gg q_T \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

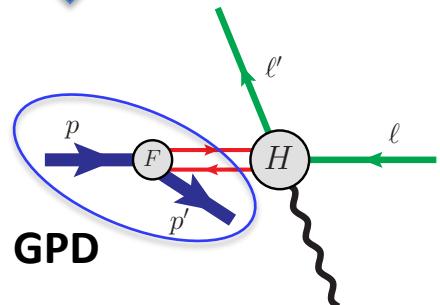
3-dim. structure  $f_i(x, \vec{k}_T)$



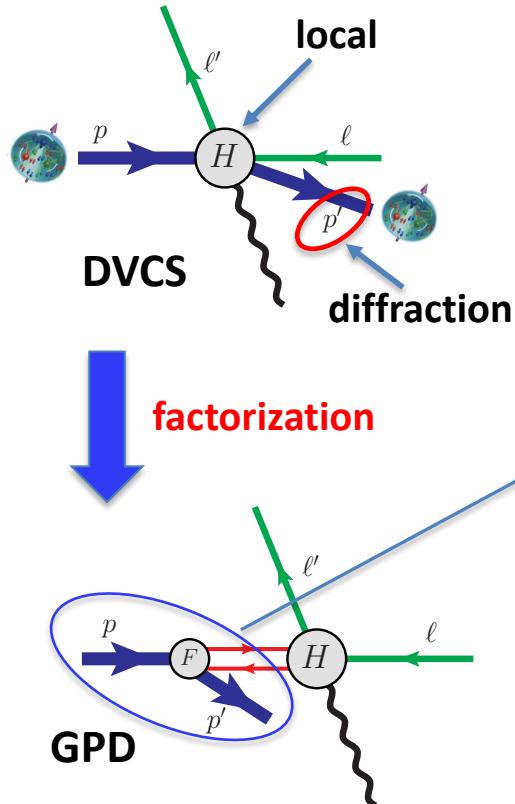
# *QCD Femtography --- Hard **exclusive** processes as probes*



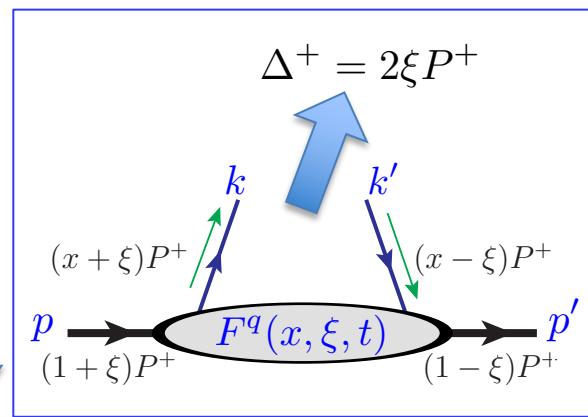
↓  
**factorization**



# *QCD Femtography --- Hard **exclusive** processes as probes*



## Generalized parton distribution (GPD)



$$P = \frac{p + p'}{2}$$

$$\Delta = p - p'$$

$$t = \Delta^2$$

$$\xi = \frac{(p - p')^+}{(p + p')^+}$$

$$x = \frac{(k + k')^+}{(p + p')^+}$$

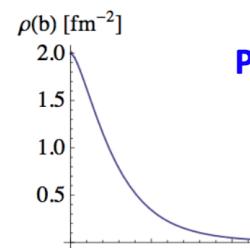
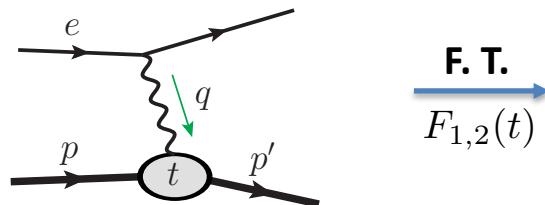
Hadron diffraction  
 $p \rightarrow p'$

parton momentum

$$\begin{aligned} F^q(x, \xi, t) &= \int \frac{dz^-}{4\pi} e^{-ixP^+z^-} \langle p' | \bar{q}(z^-/2) \gamma^+ q(-z^-/2) | p \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2P^+} \left[ H^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \gamma^+ u(p) - E^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \frac{i\sigma^{+\alpha} \Delta_\alpha}{2m} u(p) \right] \end{aligned}$$

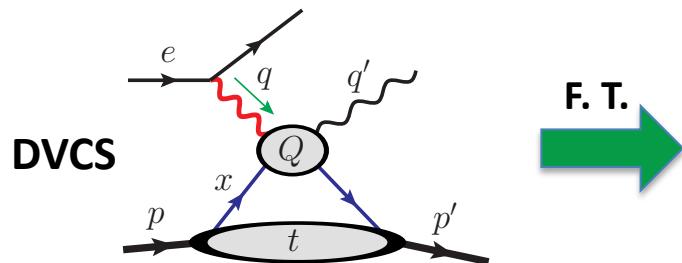
# GPD and 3D tomography

## □ Diffraction probes spatial density



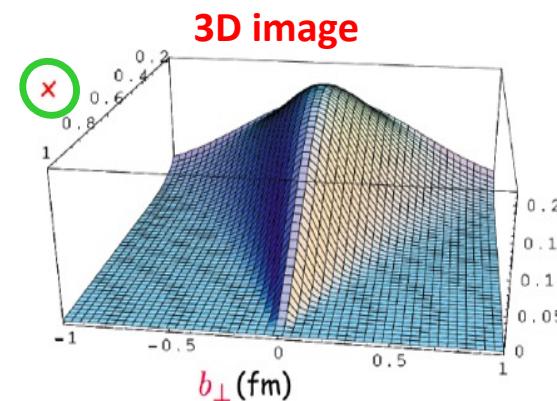
→ Electric charge radius

## □ Two-scale diffraction probes 3D tomography



$$f_i(x, \mathbf{b}_T) = \int d^2 \Delta_T e^{i \Delta_T \cdot \mathbf{b}_T} F_i(x, 0, -\Delta_T^2)$$

Parton density in  $dx d^2 \mathbf{b}_T$



[M. Burkardt, 2000, 2003]

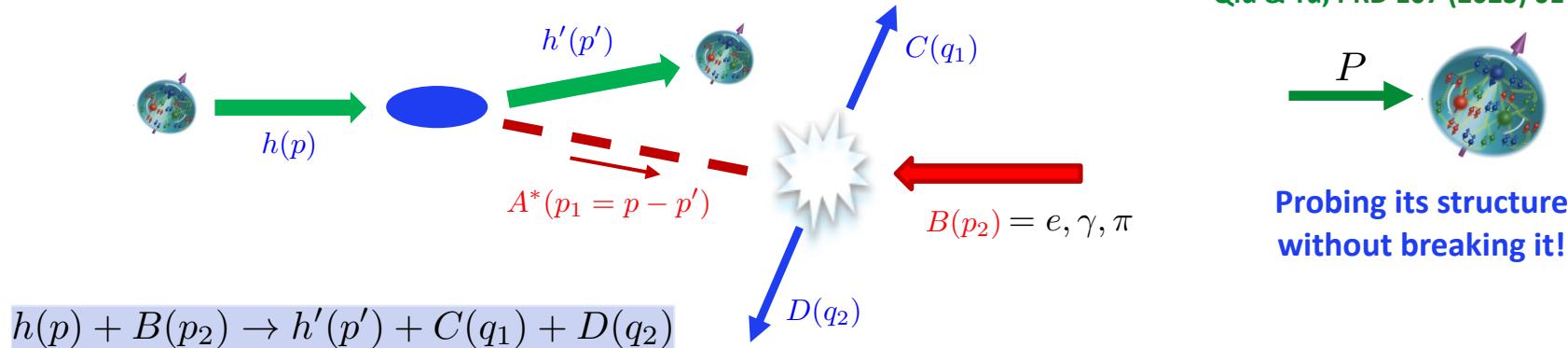
→ “Color” density

↓  
confinement;  
nuclear force;  
color radius...



# Single diffractive hard exclusive process (SDHEP)

Qiu &amp; Yu, PRD 107 (2023) 014007



Probing its structure  
without breaking it!

## □ Two-stage process paradigm

**Single diffractive:**  $h(p) \rightarrow h'(p') + A^*(p_1 = p - p')$

factorize

**Hard exclusive:**  $A^*(p_1) + B(p_2) \rightarrow C(p_3) + D(p_4)$

Necessary condition for factorization:

$$q_T \gg \sqrt{-t} \simeq \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \quad t = (p - p')^2$$

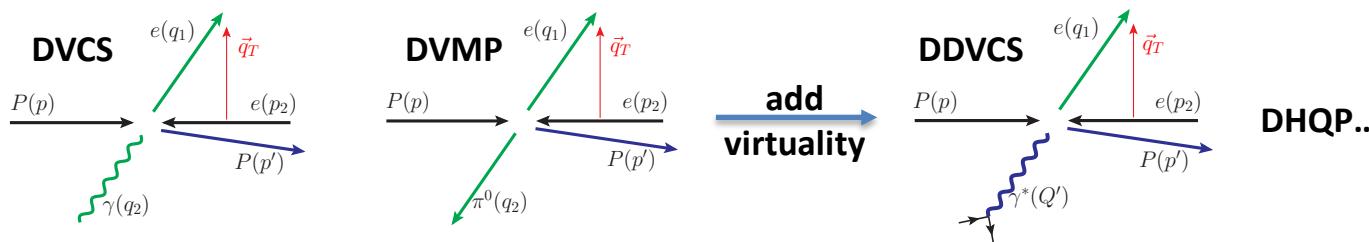
- $C, D$  are produced in a hard process  $H \sim q_T$
- $A^*$  lives much longer than  $H$

**2 → 3: minimal kin. configuration!**



# Classification of SDHEPs

## □ Electro-production (JLab, EIC, ...)

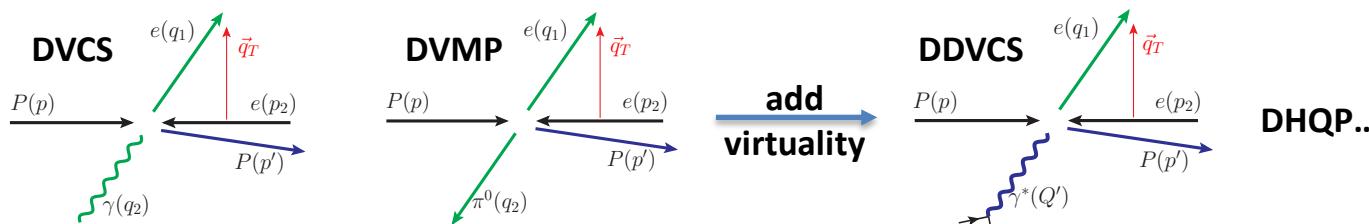


...

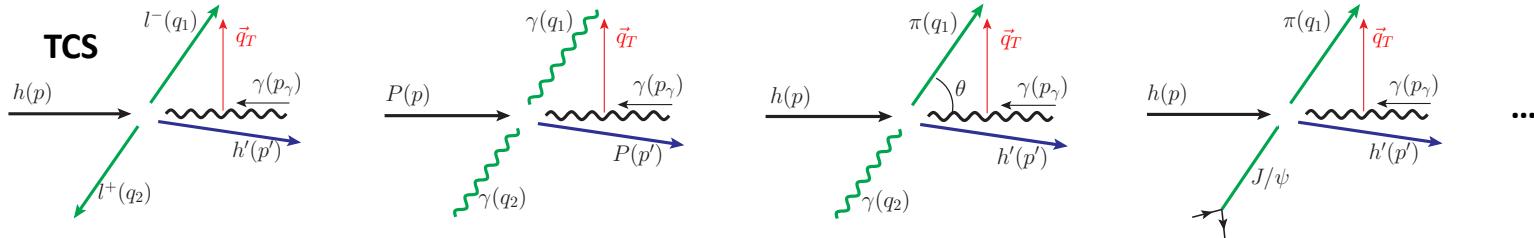


# Classification of SDHEPs

## □ Electro-production (JLab, EIC, ...)

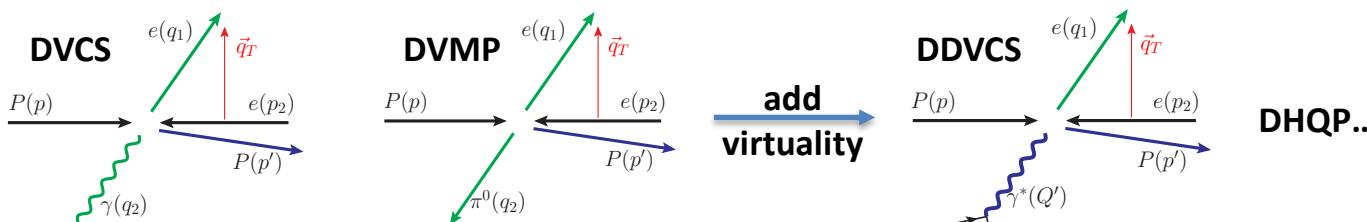


## □ Photo-production (JLab, EIC, ...)

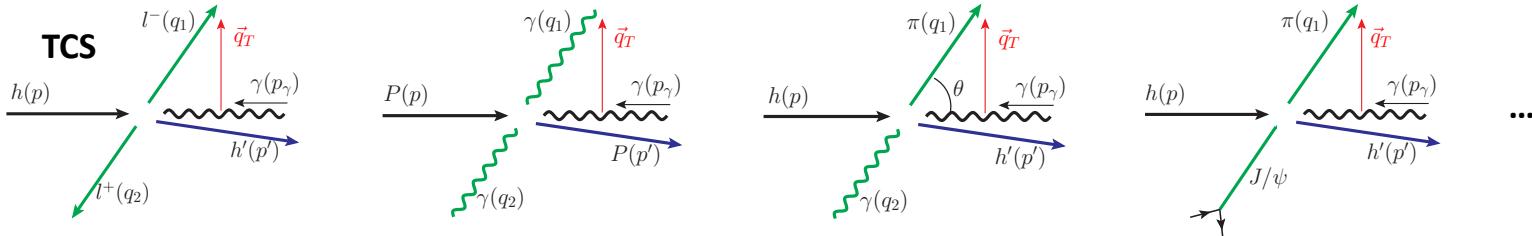


# Classification of SDHEPs

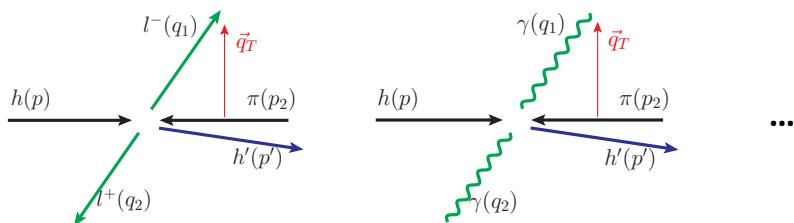
## □ Electro-production (JLab, EIC, ...)



## □ Photo-production (JLab, EIC, ...)

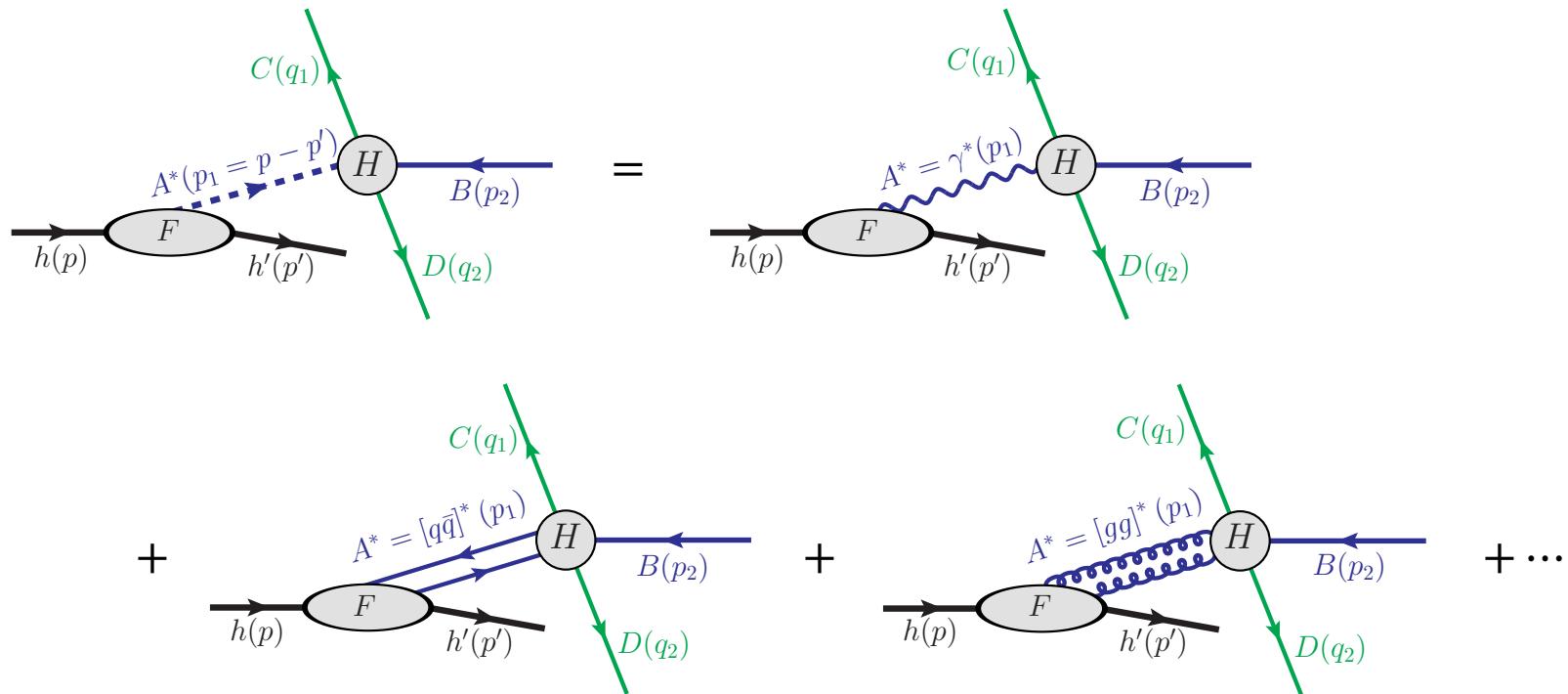


## □ Meso-production (AMBER, J-PARC, ...)

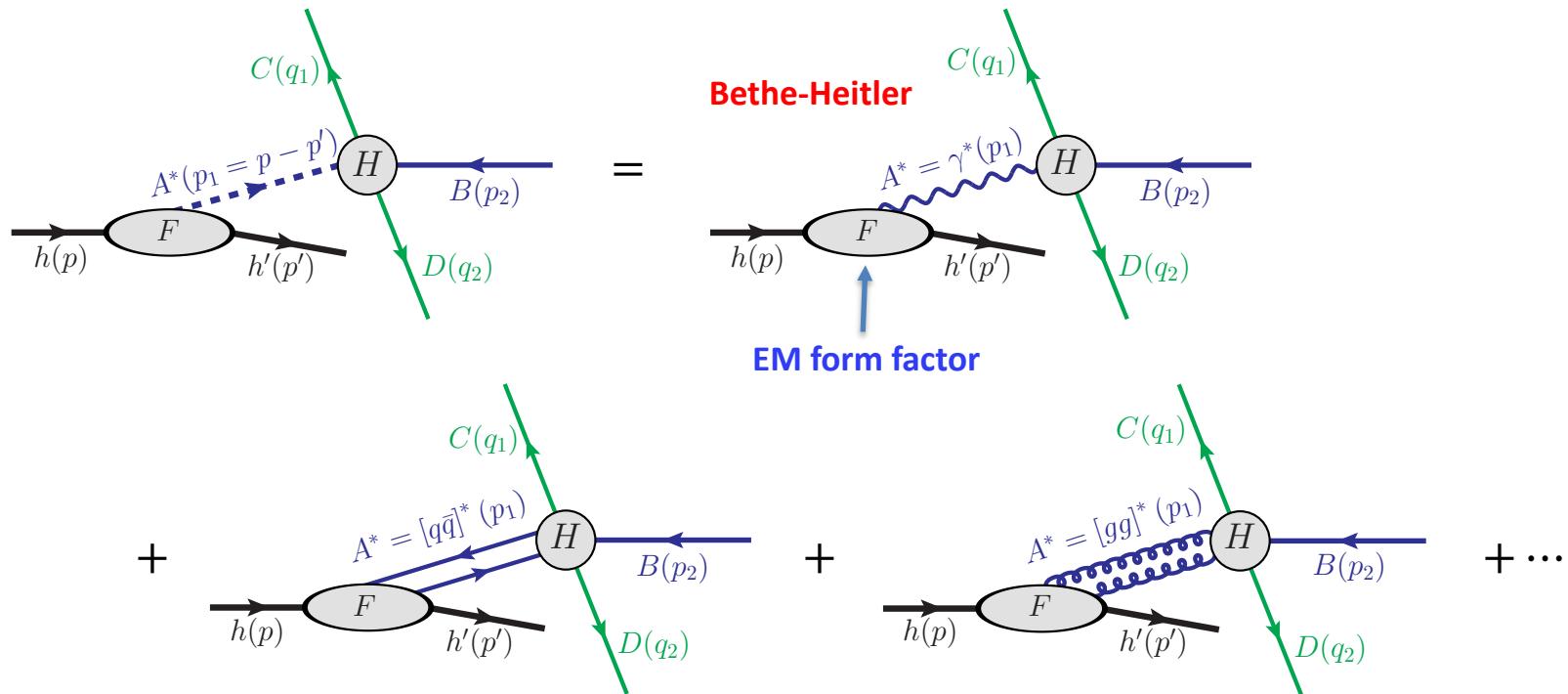


**Proved factorization generally**  
[Qiu, Yu, PRD 107 (2023), 014007]

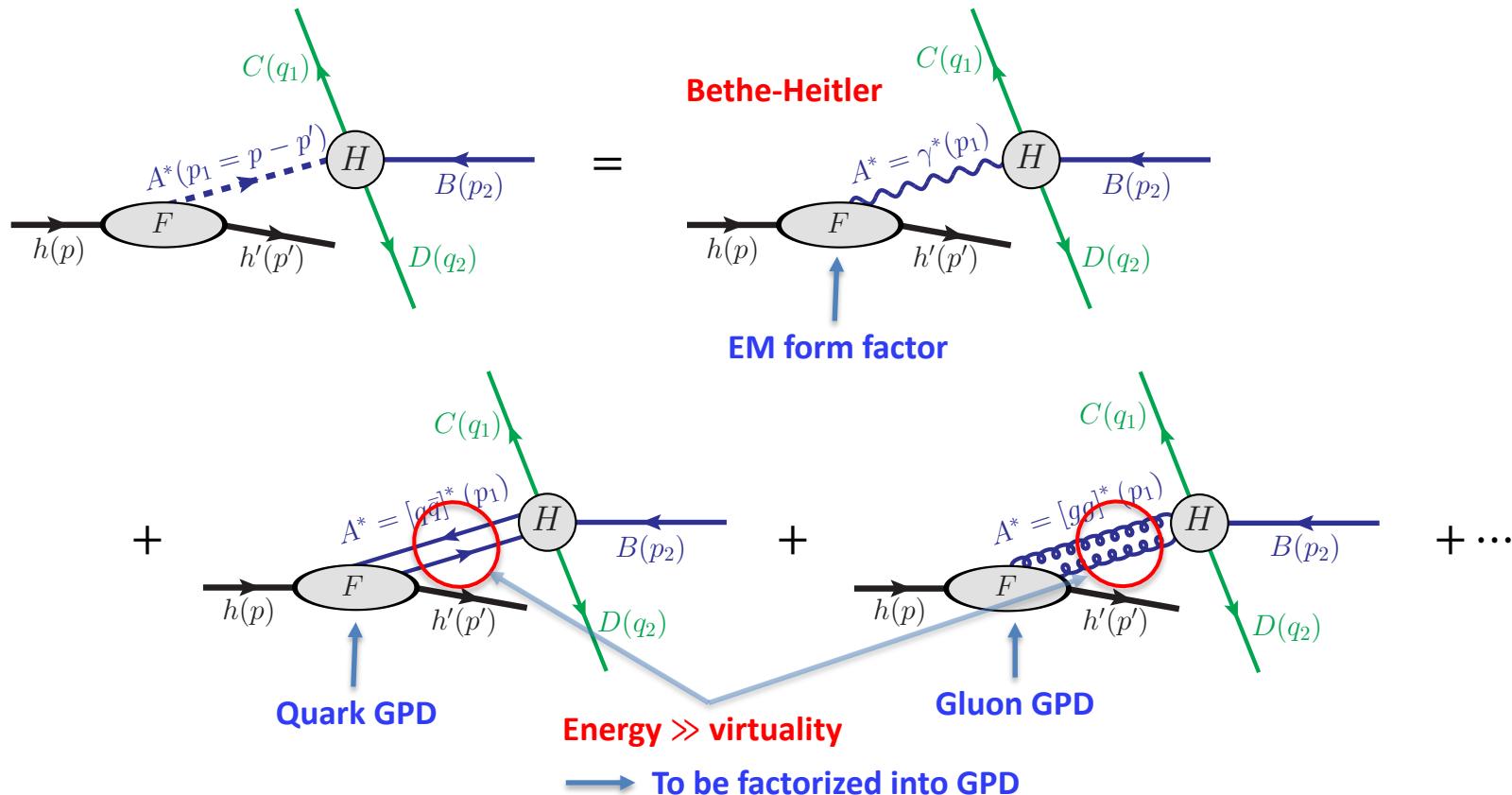
## Two-stage paradigm and channel expansion



## Two-stage paradigm and channel expansion

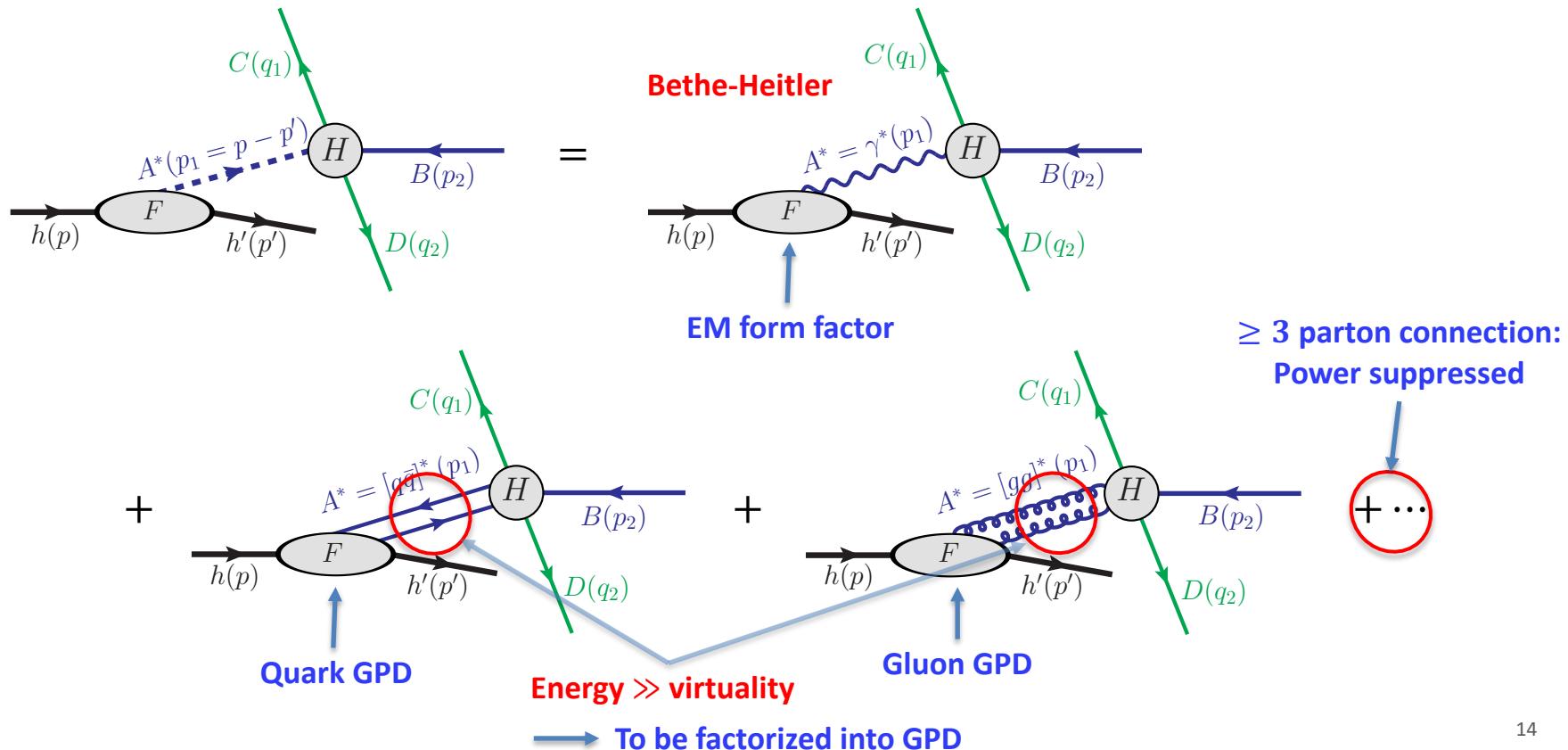


## Two-stage paradigm and channel expansion





## Two-stage paradigm and channel expansion (twist expansion)

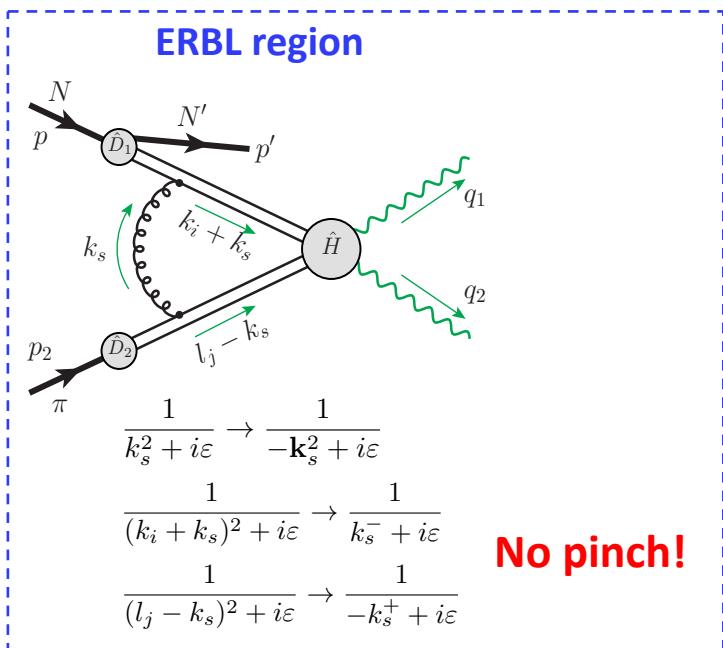


# *SDHEP: soft gluon and factorization*

- Example:  $\pi^-(p_\pi) + P(p) \rightarrow \gamma(q_1) + \gamma(q_2) + N(p')$

Gluons in the Glauber region:  $k_s = (\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda) Q$        $\lambda \sim m_\pi/Q$ ,       $Q \sim q_T$

Transverse component contribute to the leading region!

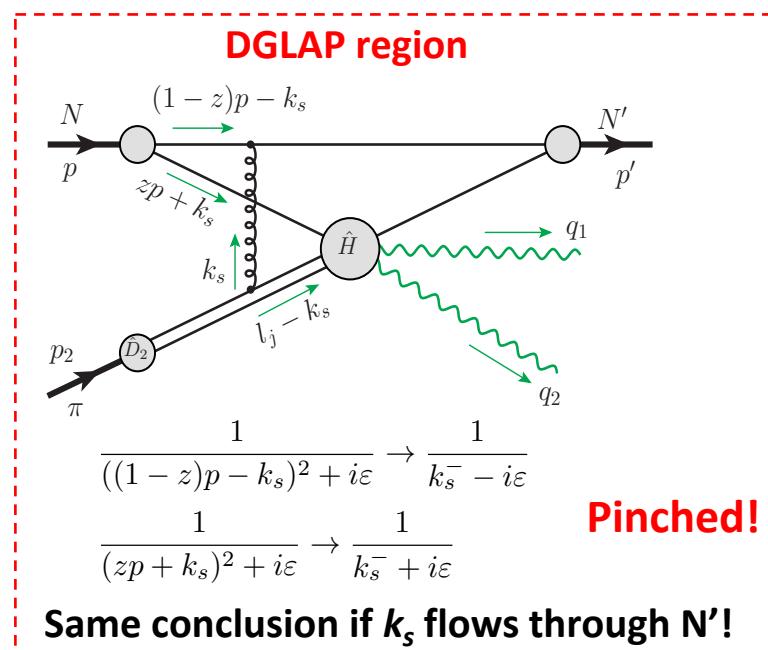
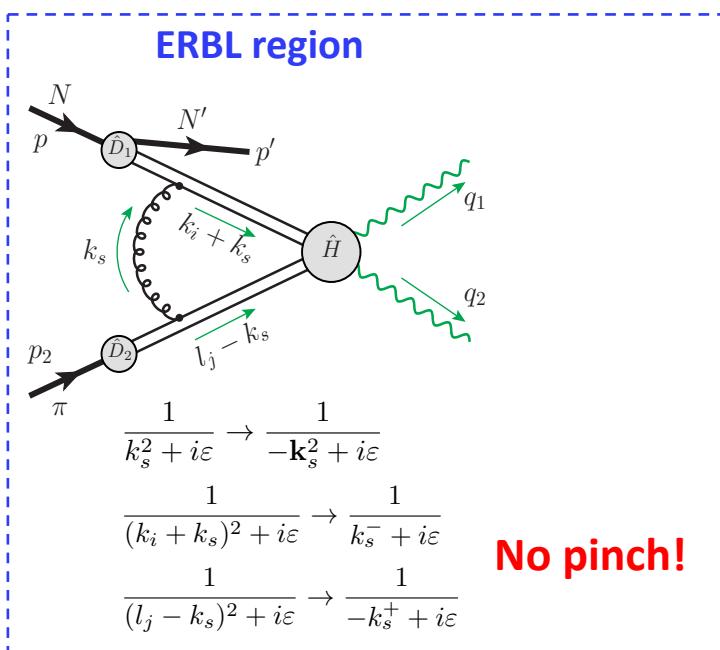


# SDHEP: soft gluon and factorization

□ Example:  $\pi^-(p_\pi) + P(p) \rightarrow \gamma(q_1) + \gamma(q_2) + N(p')$

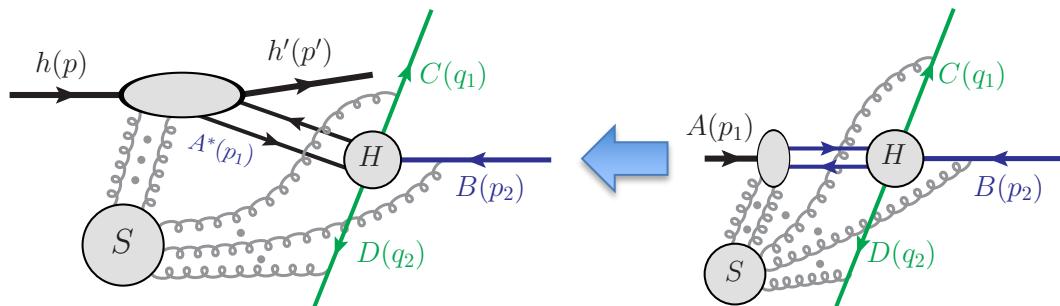
Gluons in the Glauber region:  $k_s = (\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda) Q$        $\lambda \sim m_\pi/Q$ ,       $Q \sim q_T$

Transverse component contribute to the leading region!



# *SDHEP: two-stage paradigm and factorization*

## □ Factorization for 2-parton channel

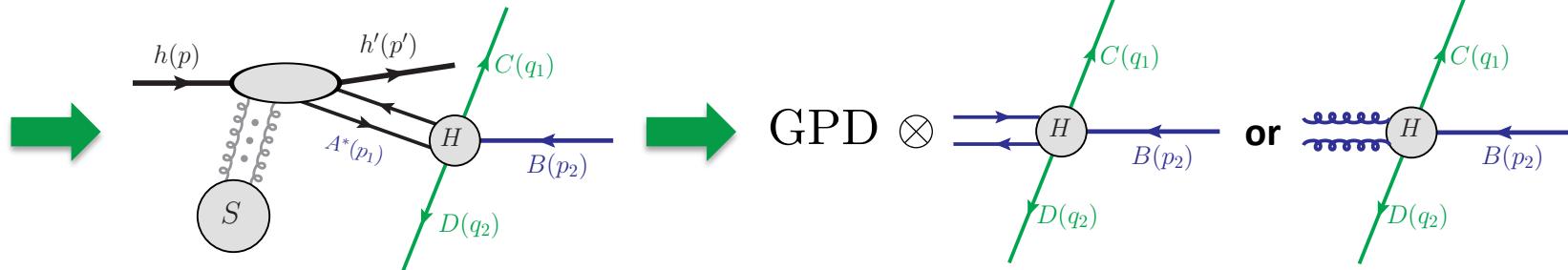


Only complication:  
 $k_s^-$  is pinched in Glauber region for DGLAP region.

$$k_s^+ \mapsto k_s^+ \pm i\mathcal{O}(Q)$$

Glauber  $\rightarrow$   $h$ -collinear region

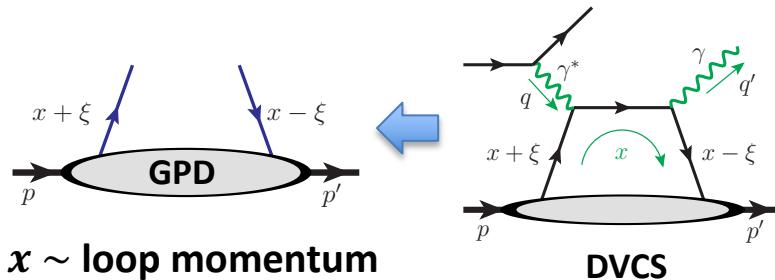
Soft gluons cancel for the meson-initialized process





## Challenge for GPD: $x$ -dependence

### □ Amplitude nature: exclusive processes



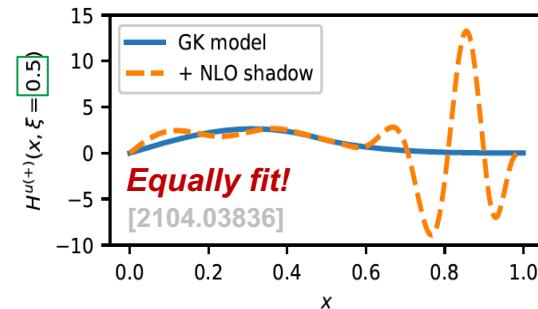
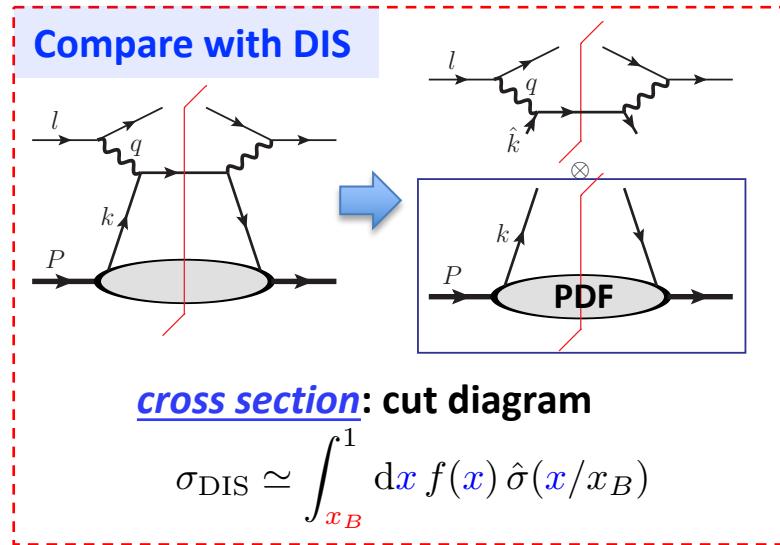
$$i\mathcal{M} \sim \int_{-1}^1 dx F(\textcolor{red}{x}, \xi, t) \cdot C(\textcolor{red}{x}, \xi; Q/\mu)$$

never pin down to some  $x$

### □ Sensitivity to $x$ comes from $C(x, \xi; Q/\mu)$

$$C(x, \xi; Q/\mu) = T(Q/\mu) \cdot G(x, \xi) \propto \frac{1}{x - \xi + i\varepsilon} \dots$$

$$\rightarrow i\mathcal{M} \propto \int_{-1}^1 dx \frac{F(\textcolor{red}{x}, \xi, t)}{x - \xi + i\varepsilon} \equiv "F_0(\xi, t)" \quad \text{"moment"}$$

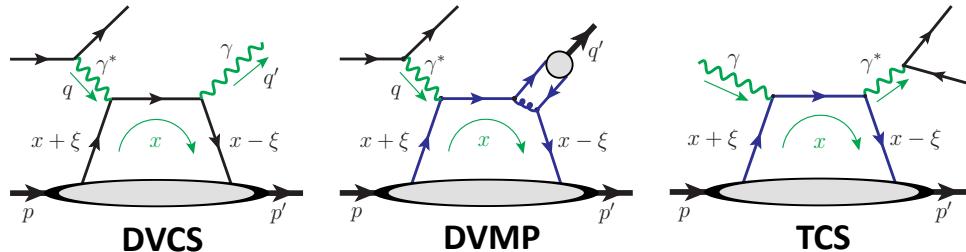


# Types of $x$ -sensitivity

## ☐ Moment-type sensitivity

$$C(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{Q}) = G(\mathbf{x}) \cdot T(\mathbf{Q})$$

$$\rightarrow F_G = \int_{-1}^1 dx G(\mathbf{x}) F(\mathbf{x}, \xi, t)$$

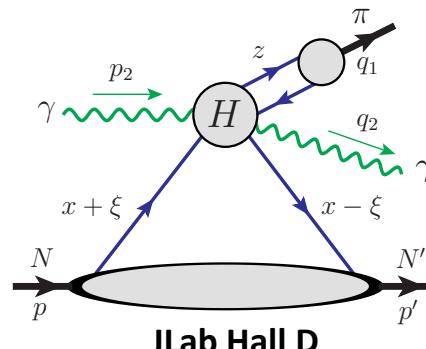
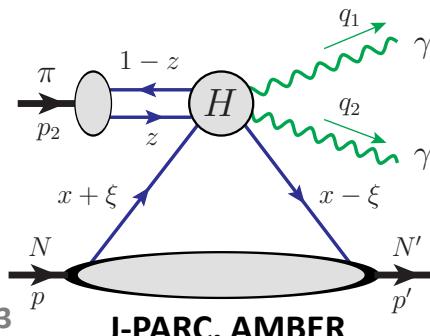


## ☐ Enhanced sensitivity

$$C(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{Q}) \neq G(\mathbf{x}) \cdot T(\mathbf{Q})$$

$\mathbf{Q}$  flow entangles with the  $\mathbf{x}$  flow

$$\rightarrow d\sigma/d\mathbf{Q} \sim |C(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{Q}) \otimes_{\mathbf{x}} F(\mathbf{x}, \xi, t)|^2 \text{ gives extra sensitivity to the } x \text{ dependence}$$

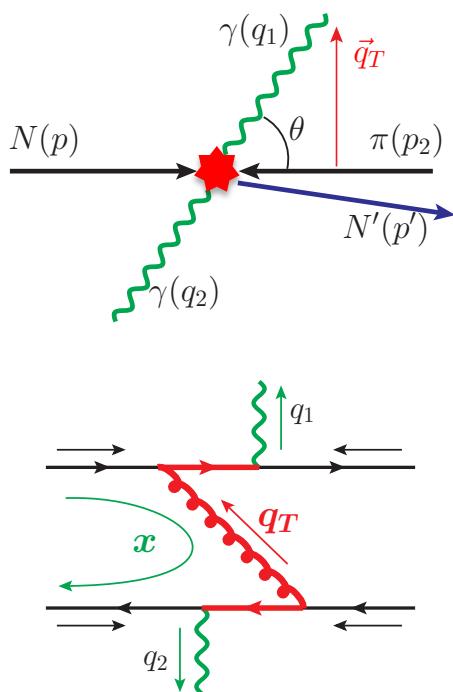


Qiu, Yu,  
JHEP 08 (2022) 103

First introduced by  
G. Duplancic et al.  
JHEP 11 (2018) 179

# *Enhanced $x$ -sensitivity: (1) diphoton production*

[Qiu & Yu, JHEP 08 (2022) 103]



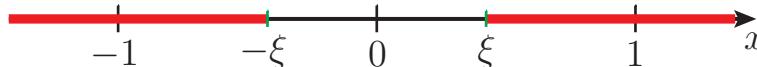
In addition to

$$F_0(\xi, t) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx F(x, \xi, t)}{x - \xi + i\epsilon}$$

$i\mathcal{M}$  also contains

$$I(t, \xi; z, \theta) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx F(x, \xi, t)}{x - \rho(z; \theta) + i\epsilon \operatorname{sgn} [\cos^2(\theta/2) - z]}$$

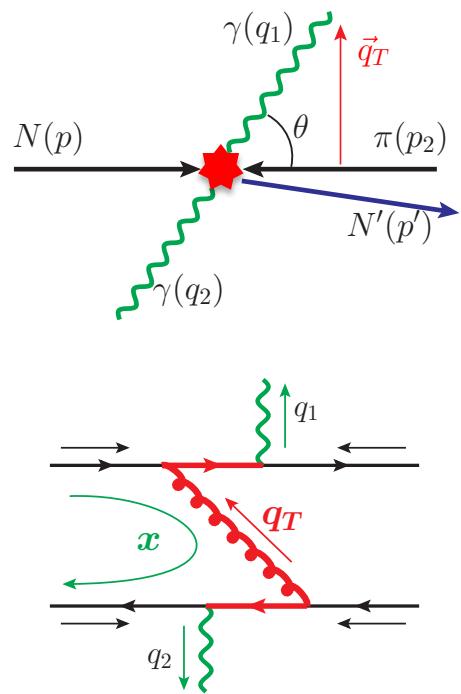
$$\rho(z; \theta) = \xi \cdot \left[ \frac{1 - z + \tan^2(\theta/2) z}{1 - z - \tan^2(\theta/2) z} \right] \in (-\infty, -\xi] \cup [\xi, \infty)$$



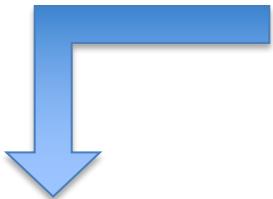


# Enhanced $x$ -sensitivity: (1) diphoton production

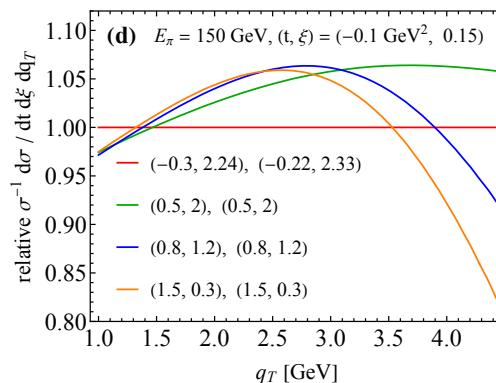
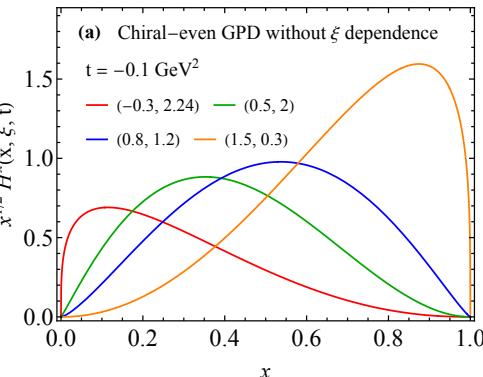
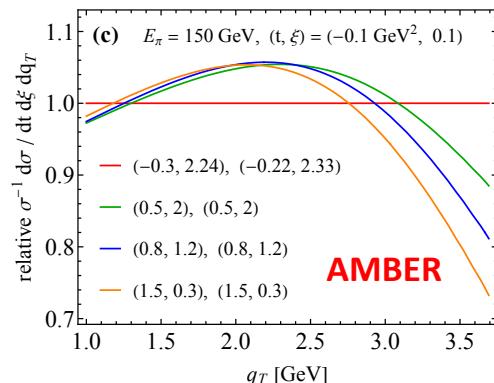
[Qiu & Yu, JHEP 08 (2022) 103]



Vary GPD  $x$  shapes

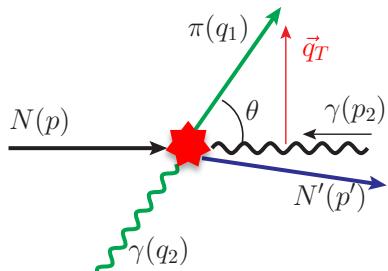


Different  $q_T$  shapes



## *Enhanced $x$ -sensitivity: (2) $\gamma\text{-}\pi$ pair production*

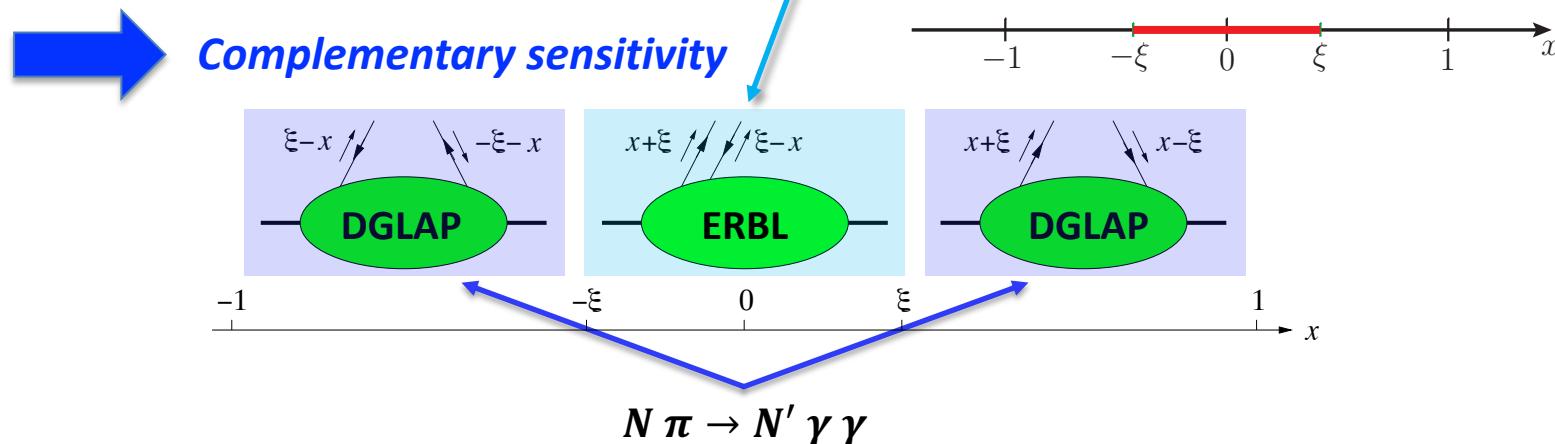
[Qiu & Yu, arXiv:2023.xxxxx]



$i\mathcal{M}$  also contains the special integral

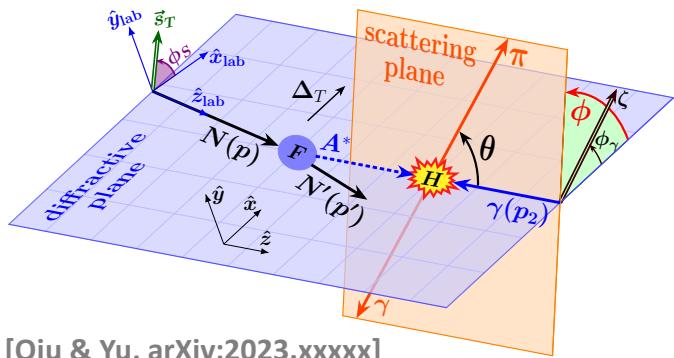
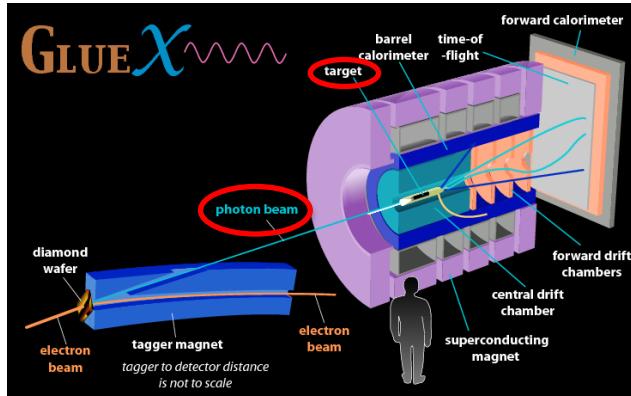
$$I'(t, \xi; z, \theta) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx F(x, \xi, t)}{x - \rho'(z; \theta) + i\epsilon}$$

$$\rho'(z; \theta) = \xi \cdot \left[ \frac{\cos^2(\theta/2)(1-z) - z}{\cos^2(\theta/2)(1-z) + z} \right] \in [-\xi, \xi]$$



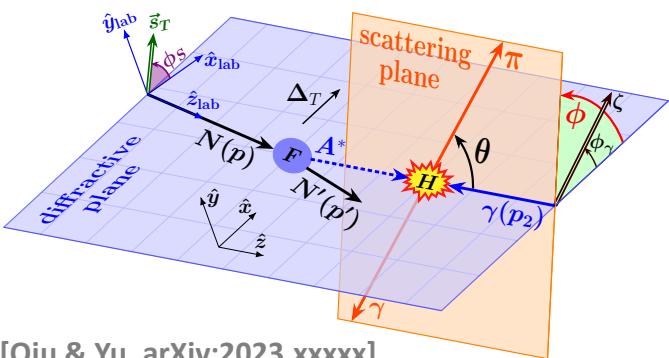
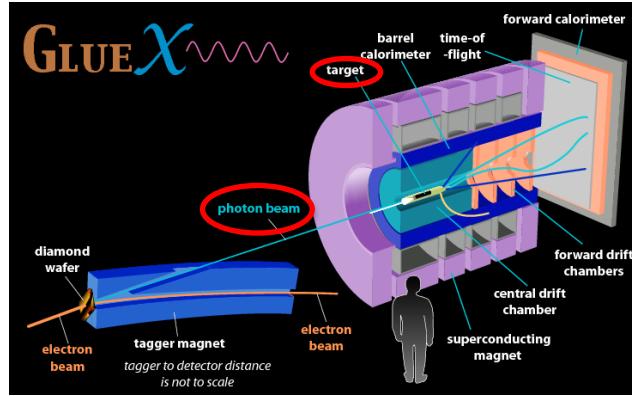


## Enhanced $x$ -sensitivity: (2) $\gamma$ - $\pi$ pair production





## Enhanced $x$ -sensitivity: (2) $\gamma$ - $\pi$ pair production



[Qiu & Yu, arXiv:2023.xxxxxx]

### Polarization asymmetries

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d|t| d\xi d \cos \theta} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{d|t| d\xi d \cos \theta} \cdot [1 + \lambda_N \lambda_\gamma A_{LL} + \zeta A_{UT} \cos 2(\phi - \phi_\gamma) + \lambda_N \zeta A_{LT} \sin 2(\phi - \phi_\gamma)]$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d\sigma}{d|t| d\xi d \cos \theta} = \frac{N^2 (1 - \xi)}{32 s (2\pi)^3 (1 + \xi)} \Sigma_{UU}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_{UU} &= |\mathcal{M}_+^{[\tilde{H}]}|^2 + |\mathcal{M}_-^{[\tilde{H}]}|^2 + |\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_+^{[H]}|^2 + |\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_-^{[H]}|^2, \\ A_{LL} &= 2 \Sigma_{UU}^{-1} \operatorname{Re} [\mathcal{M}_+^{[\tilde{H}]} \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_+^{[H]*} + \mathcal{M}_-^{[\tilde{H}]} \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_-^{[H]*}], \\ A_{UT} &= 2 \Sigma_{UU}^{-1} \operatorname{Re} [\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_+^{[H]} \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_-^{[H]*} - \mathcal{M}_+^{[\tilde{H}]} \mathcal{M}_-^{[\tilde{H}]*}], \\ A_{LT} &= 2 \Sigma_{UU}^{-1} \operatorname{Im} [\mathcal{M}_+^{[\tilde{H}]} \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_-^{[H]*} + \mathcal{M}_-^{[\tilde{H}]} \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_+^{[H]*}].\end{aligned}$$



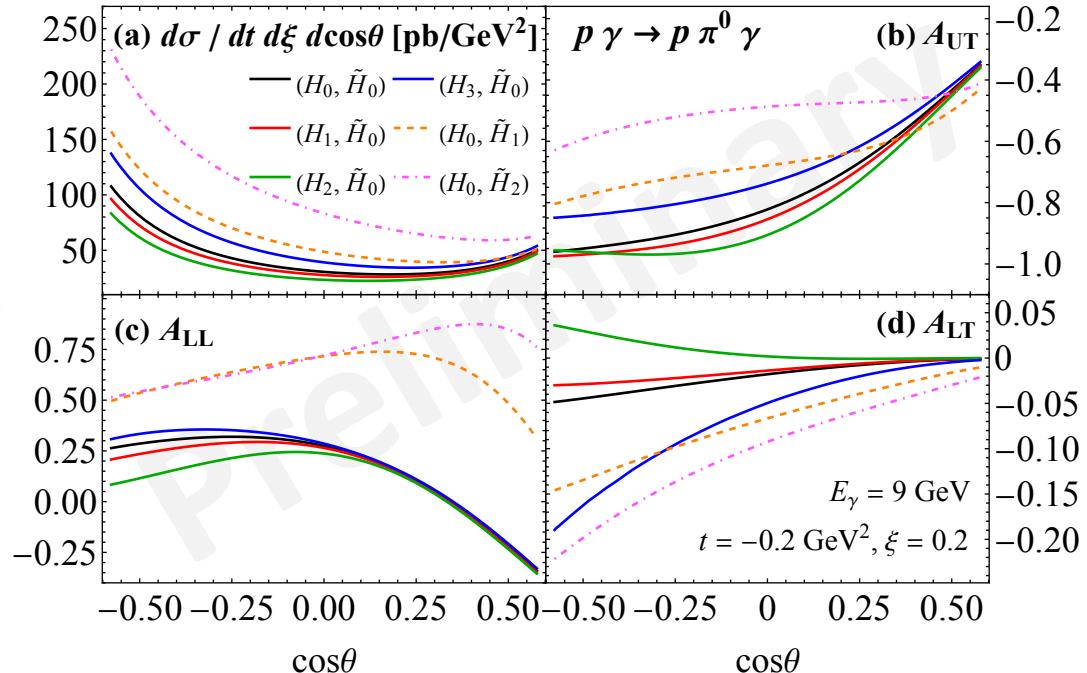
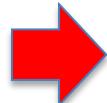
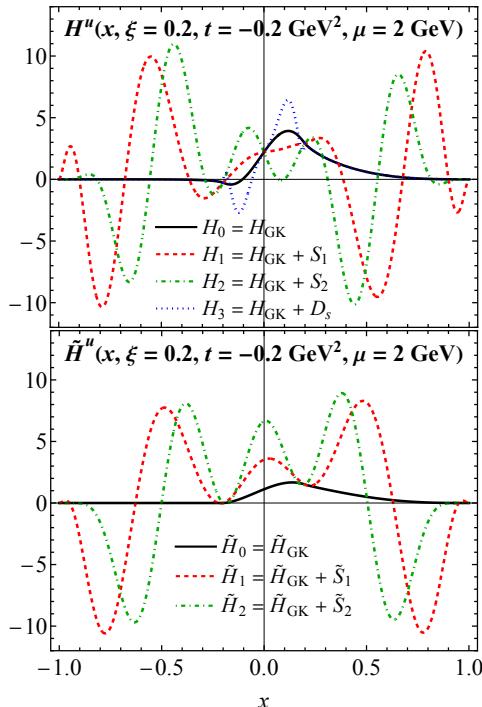
## Enhanced $x$ -sensitivity: (2) $\gamma$ - $\pi$ pair production

GPD models = GK model + shadow GPDs



$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{x - \xi \pm i\epsilon} S(x, \xi) = 0$$

Goloskokov, Kroll, '05, '07, '09  
Bertone et al. '21  
Moffat et al. '23





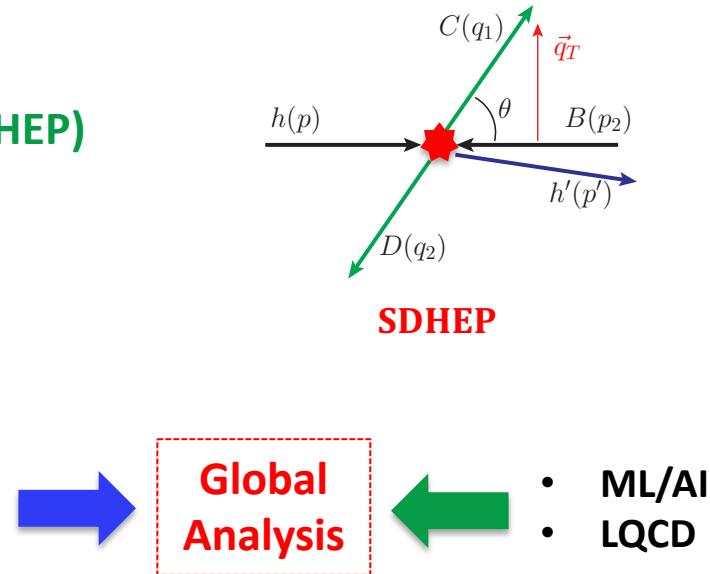
# Summary

- ❑ GPD and hadron 3D imaging
- ❑ Single Diffractive Hard Exclusive Processes (SDHEP)

- Systematic factorization.
- Roadmap for known and more new processes!

- ❑ GPD  $x$  dependence is challenging

- Multi-processes, multi-observables approach
- Moment sensitivity is not sufficient
- Enhanced sensitivity



Thank you!

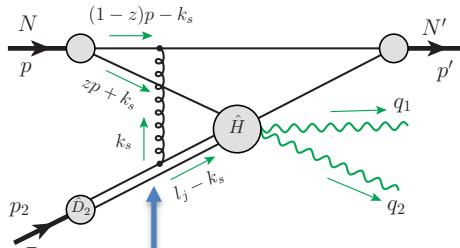


## Backup slides

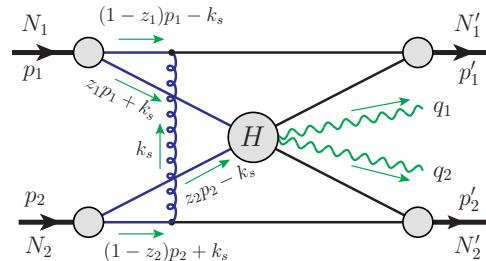
# Why single diffractive?

## □ Double diffractive process

### Glauber pinch for diffractive scattering



Factorizable thanks to pion



Both  $k_s^+$  and  $k_s^-$   
are pinched in  
Glauber region!

Non-factorizable even with hard scale

## □ Compare: Drell-Yan process at high twist

