

Spin Density Matrix Elements for exclusive ρ^0 meson muoproduction at COMPASS

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Vector meson spin-density matrix $\rho(V)$

helicity of vector meson V

helicity of virtual photon γ and nucleon N

photon spin density matrix ($\mu \rightarrow \mu' + \gamma^*$) calculated by QED

$$\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V} = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma \lambda_N \lambda'_N} F_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V; \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N}^{U+L} \varrho_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma}^{U+L} F_{\lambda'_V \lambda'_N; \lambda'_\gamma \lambda_N}^* \quad (\text{von Neumann formula})$$

F helicity amplitudes describe transitions $\lambda_\gamma, \lambda_N \rightarrow \lambda_V, \lambda_N$, depend on W, Q^2 and p_T^2

$\rho_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda'_\gamma}$ decomposes into nine $\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha$, ($\alpha=0 \div 3$ - transv., 4 - long. 5 \div 8 - interf.),

When contribution from transverse and longitudinal photons can not be separated ,

Spin Density Matrix Elements (SDMEs) are defined:

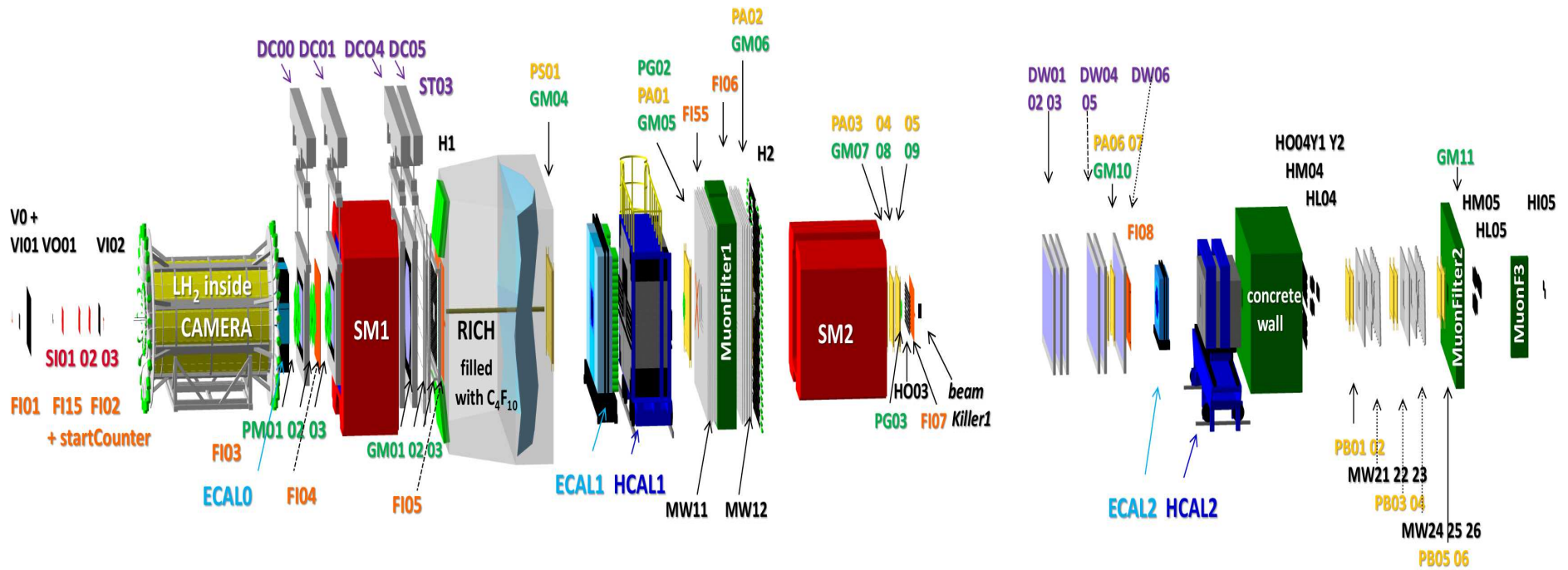
$$r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^{04} = (\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^0 + \epsilon R \rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^4) / (1 + \epsilon R), \quad r_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha = \begin{cases} \frac{\rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha}{(1 + \epsilon R)}, & \alpha = 1, 2, 3, \\ \frac{\sqrt{R} \rho_{\lambda_V \lambda'_V}^\alpha}{(1 + \epsilon R)}, & \alpha = 5, 6, 7, 8. \end{cases} \quad R = \sigma_L / \sigma_T$$

(K. Schilling and G. Wolf, Nucl. Phys. B61,381(1973))

Vector meson spin-density matrix $\rho(V)$

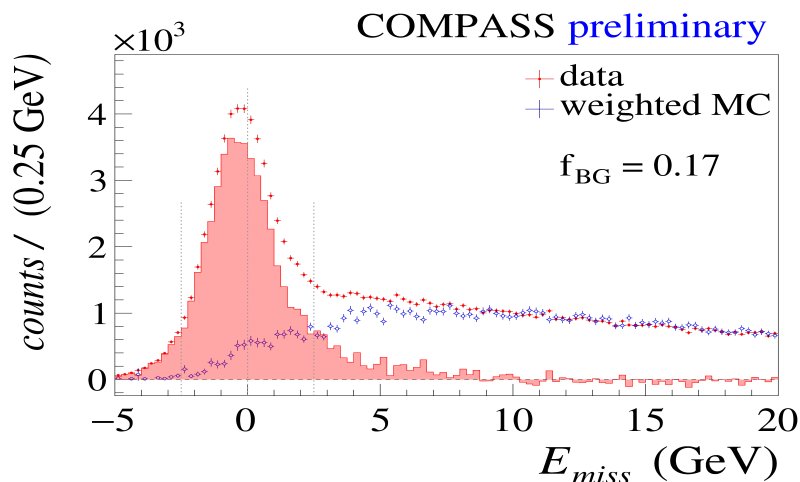
- Helicity amplitude allows
 - test of s-channel helicity conservation ($\lambda_\gamma = \lambda_V$)
 - decomposed into Natural (N) Parity and Unnatural (U) Parity exchange amplitudes
$$F_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N} = T_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N} + U_{\lambda_V \lambda'_N \lambda_\gamma \lambda_N}$$
 - in Rege framework NPE: $J^P = (0^+, 1^-, \dots)$
UPE: $J^P = (0^-, 1^+, \dots)$
 - test of GPD models
 - e.g. for SCHC-violation transition $\gamma_T \rightarrow V_L$ test sensitivity to GPDs with exchanged-quarks helicity flip (transversity GPDs)

COMPASS Spectrometer



beam μ^+ and μ^-
 energy: 160 GeV
 beam polarization $\approx -80 (+80) \%$
 target LH_2 .

Exclusive ρ^0 -meson production at COMPASS



Distribution of missing energy (red points) for data. Shape of semi-inclusive background (blue points) was determined using LEPTO generator. Background fraction f_{BG} was determined as ratio of MC and data in E_{miss} -2.5 GeV \div 2.5 GeV region. Red histogram presents E_{miss} with subtracted background.

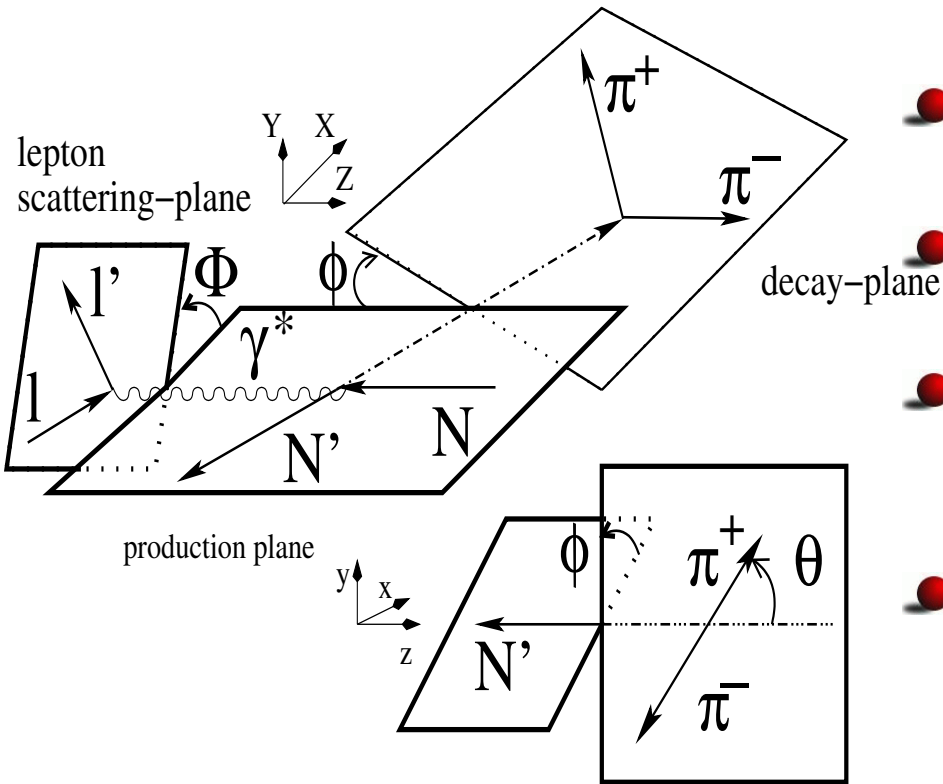
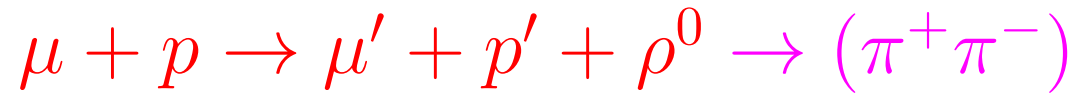
stat. $\mu^+ = 23785, \mu^- = 28472$

- Selection of exclusive events
 - Selection of event contains three outgoing tracks (μ', h^+, h^-),
 - Exclusive region : $-2.5 \text{ GeV} < E_{miss} < 2.5 \text{ GeV}$

$$E_{miss} = \frac{M_X^2 - M_p^2}{2M_p}$$
 with

$$M_X^2 = (p + q - p_{\pi^+} - p_{\pi^-})^2$$
 and M_X being missing mass, $p, q, p_{\pi^+}, p_{\pi^-}$ are 4-momenta of proton target photon and pions.
 - $0.01 < p_T^2 < 0.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$,
 p_T^2 - squared transverse momentum of ρ^0 w.r.t γ^*
 - $Q^2 \ 1.0 < Q^2 < 10.0 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$
 - $5.0 < W < 17.0 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$,

Angular distribution in reaction



- Experimental access to SDMEs via angular distributions of ρ^0 production and decay
- Angular distribution $\mathcal{W}(\Phi, \phi, \cos \Theta)$ depends linearly on SDMEs and beam polarization P_b .
- For longitudinally polarized beam and unpolarized target there are **23** SDMEs, (**15** unpolarized and **8** polarized).
- The SDMEs are determined from the fit of angular distributions of ρ^0 production and decay $\mathcal{W}(\Phi, \phi, \cos \Theta)$, with Unbinned Maximum Likelihood method.

SDMEs and Amplitudes for: ρ^0

$$1.0 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2 < Q^2 < 10.0 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$$

$$5.0 \text{ GeV/c}^2 < W < 17.0 \text{ GeV/c}^2$$

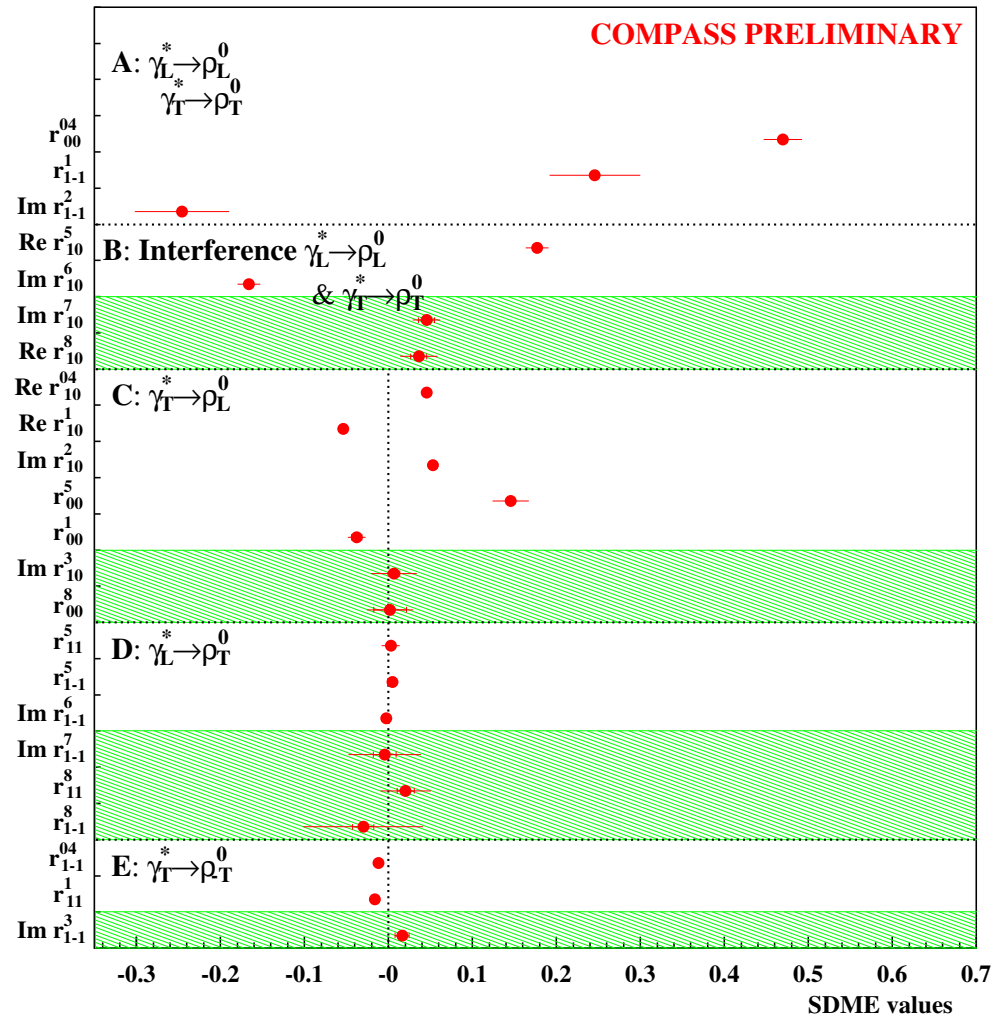
$$0.01 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2 < p_T^2 < 0.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$$

$$\langle W \rangle = 9.90 \text{ GeV/c}^2 ,$$

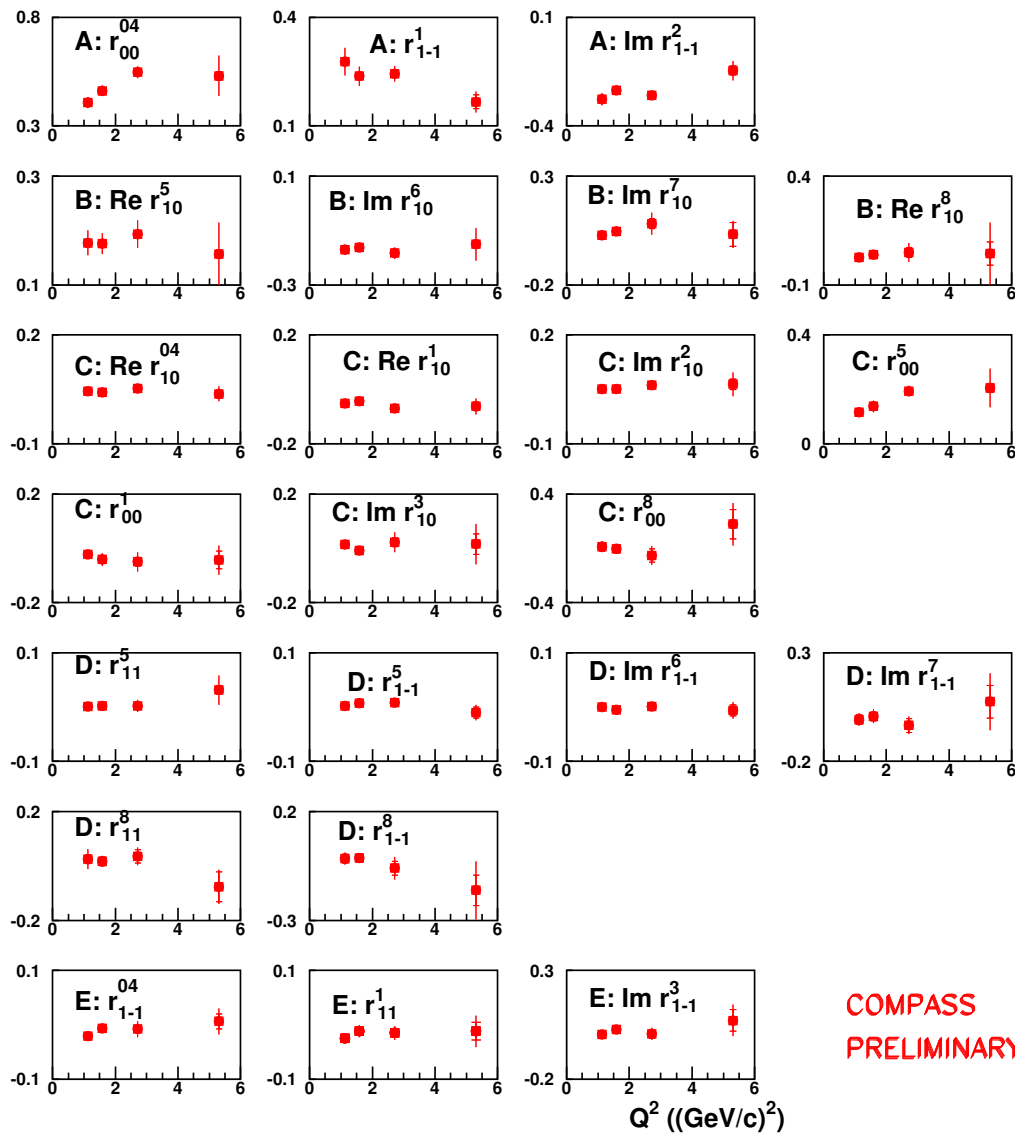
$$\langle Q^2 \rangle = 2.40 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2 ,$$

$$\langle p_T^2 \rangle = 0.18 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2 .$$

- SDMEs grouped in classes: A, B, C, D, E corresponding to different helicity transitions
- SDMEs related to beam polarisation shown within shaded areas

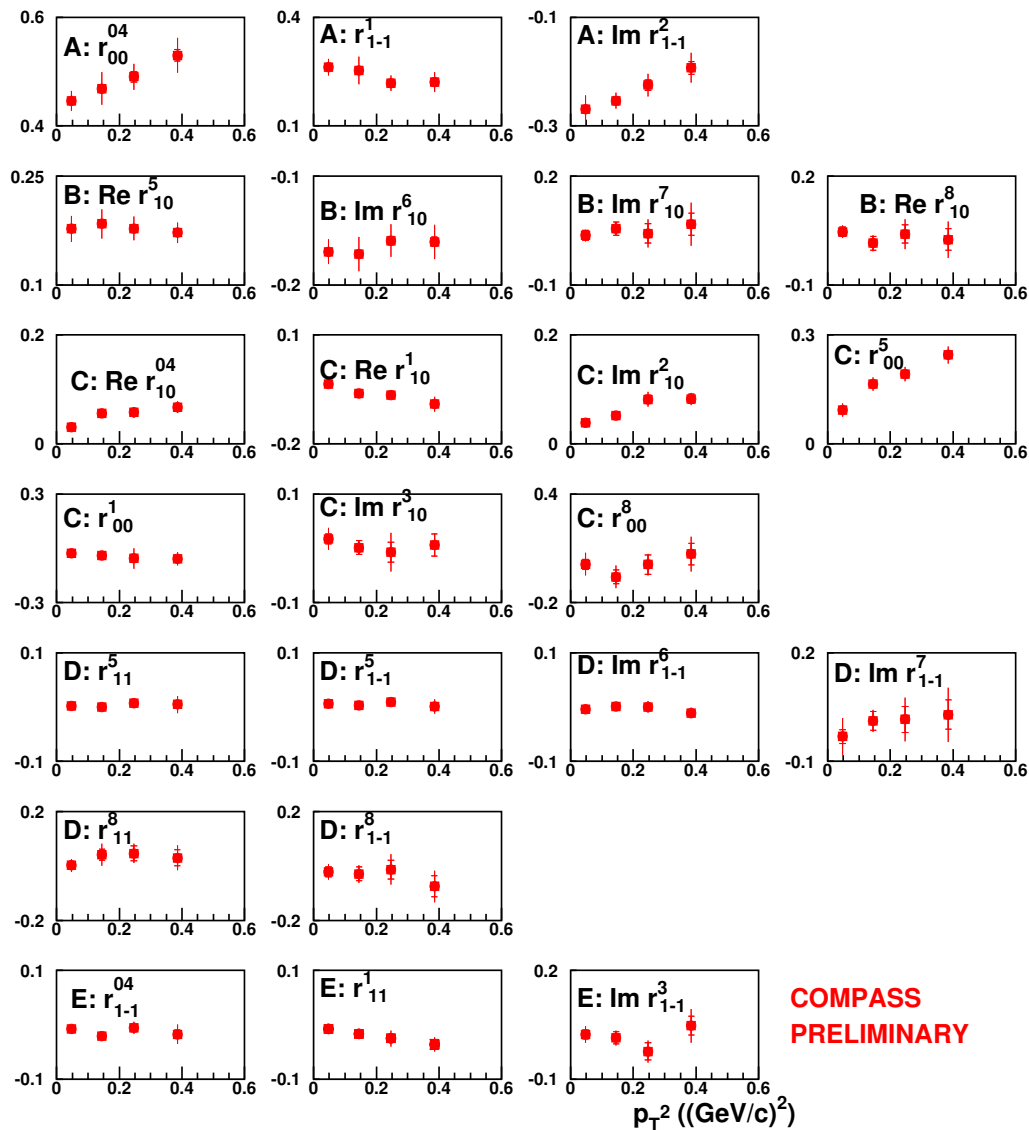


SDMEs Q^2 dependence



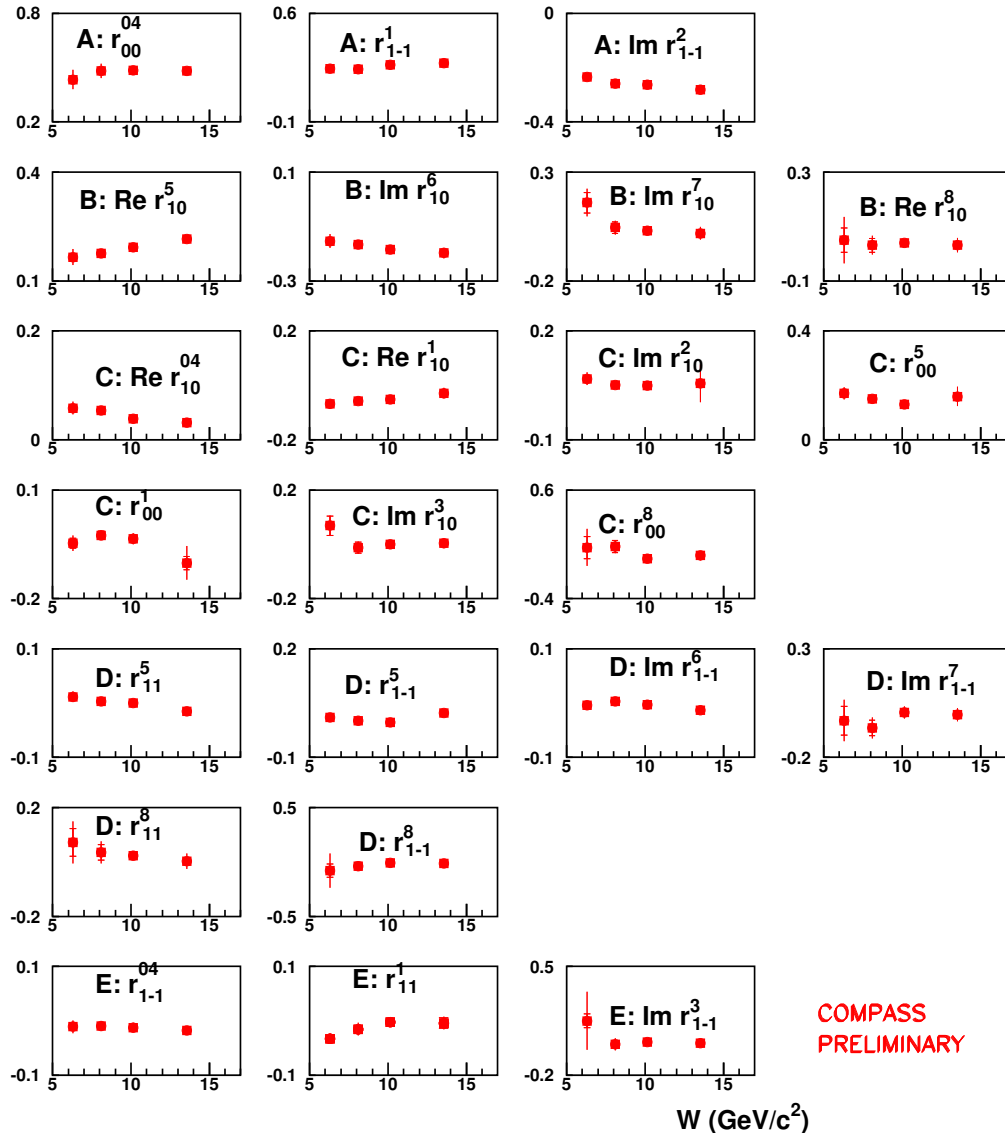
Preliminary results with statistical and total errors. The results are averaged over $0.01 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2 < p_T^2 < 0.50 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$ and $5.0 \text{ GeV/c}^2 < W < 17.0 \text{ GeV/c}^2$

SDMEs p_T^2 dependence



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SDMEs W dependence



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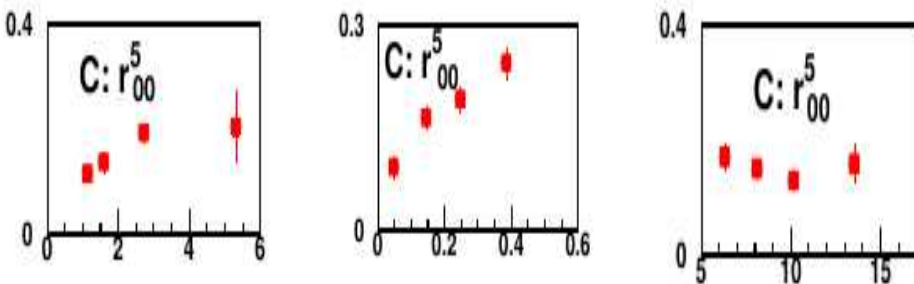
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Transitions of class C, $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_L^0$

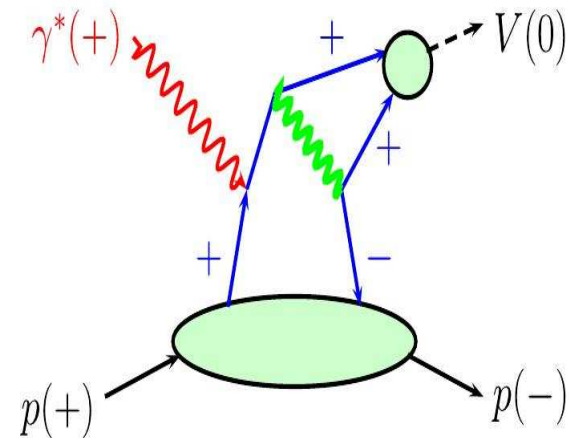
- possible GPD interpretation Goloskokov Kroll EPJC 74 (2014)2725
- contribution of amplitudes depending on transversity
- GPDs $H_T, \bar{E}_T = 2\tilde{H}_T + E_T$

$$r_{00}^5 \propto \text{Re}[\langle \bar{E}_T \rangle_{LT}^* \langle H \rangle_{LL} + \frac{1}{2} \langle H_T \rangle_{LT}^* \langle E \rangle_{LL}]$$

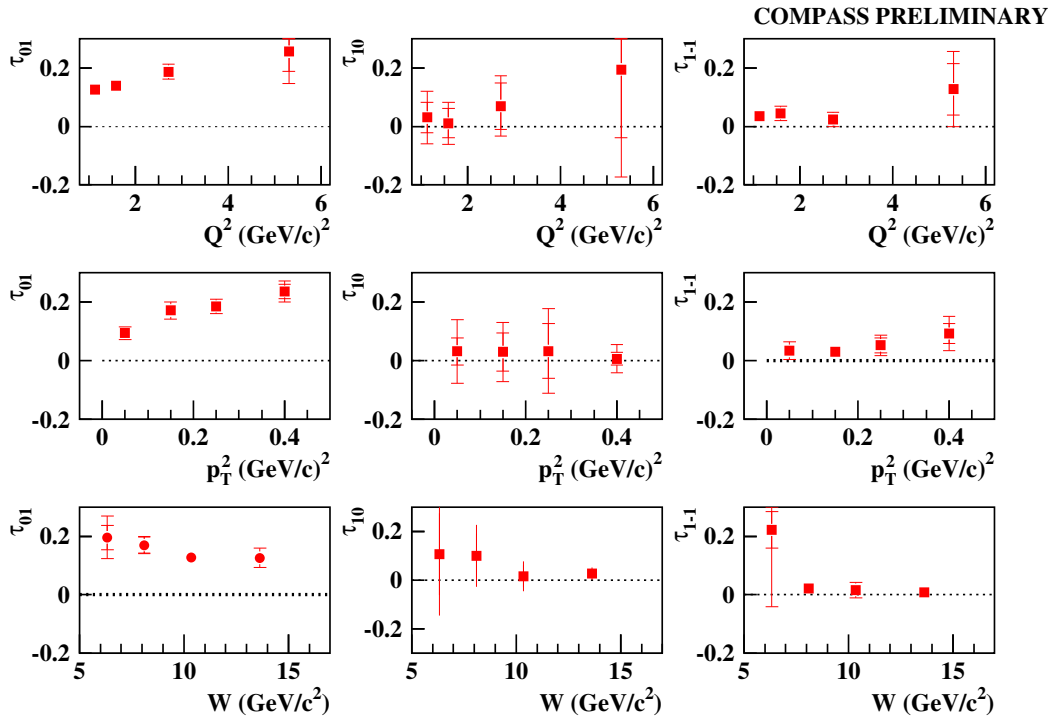
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example graph for amplitude $F_{0-,++}$



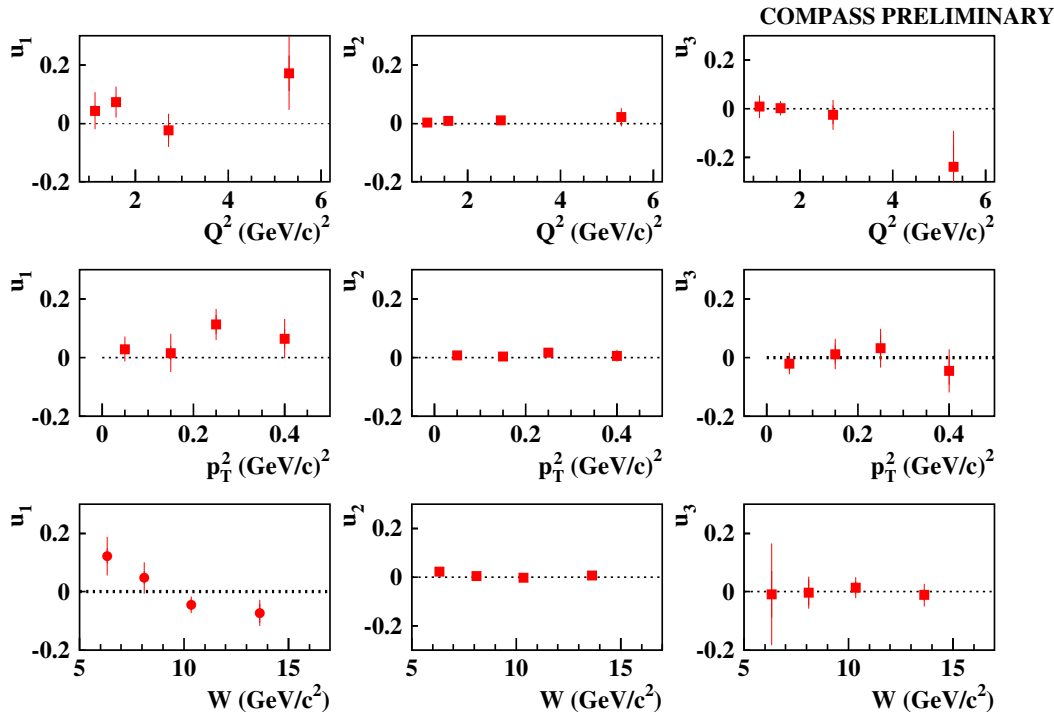
Helicity-Flip Transitions



$$\tau_{ij} = \frac{|T_{ij}|}{\sqrt{\mathcal{N}}}. \quad (1)$$

Clear observed SCHC violation for transition $\gamma_T \rightarrow \rho_L^0$. τ_{01} , τ_{10} and τ_{1-1} were calculated using combination of SDME cf. HERMES Eur. Phys. J. C62,(2009)659

Unnatural-Parity-Exchange



Existence of unnatural parity exchange is estimated by value of u_1 defined by combination of SDMEs. Small contribution of UPE can be seen only at low value of W .

$$u_1 = \frac{\widetilde{\sum} 4\epsilon |U_{10}|^2 + 2|U_{11} + U_{-11}|^2}{\mathcal{N}} \quad (2)$$

fraction of UPE

$$u_2 + iu_3 = \sqrt{2} \frac{\widetilde{\sum} (U_{11} + U_{-11})U_{10}^*}{\mathcal{N}} \quad (3)$$

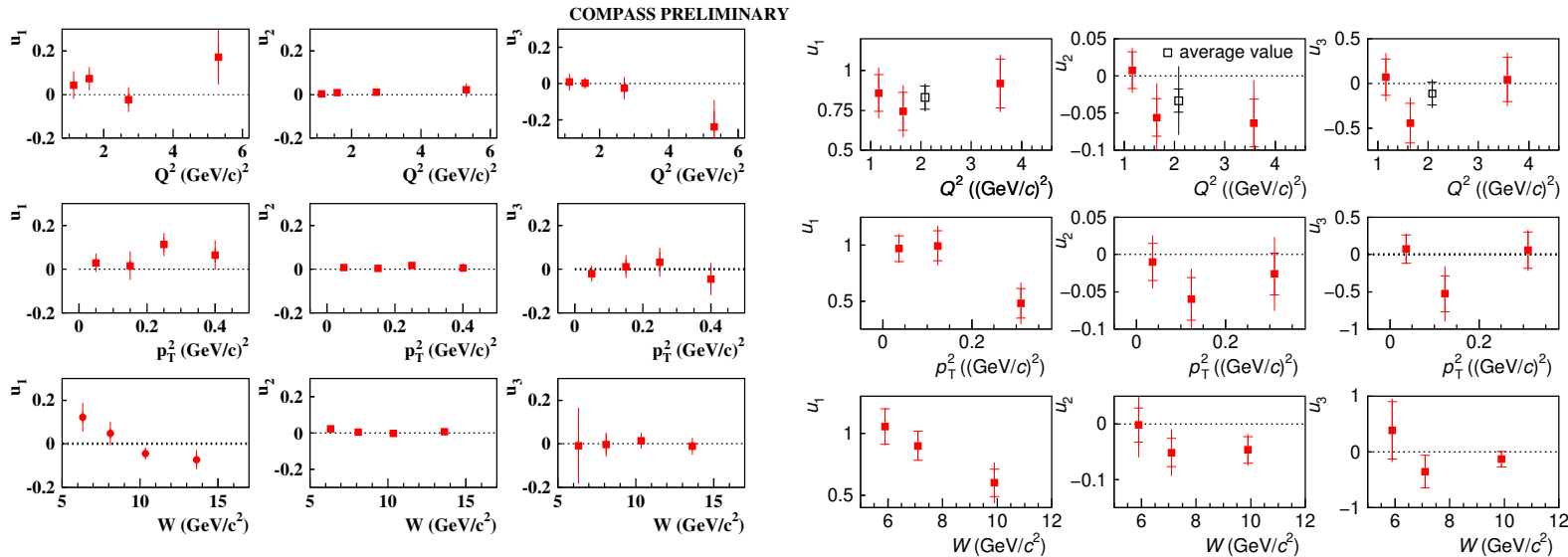
$$u_1 = 1 - r_{00}^{04} + 2r_{1-1}^{04} - 2r_{11}^1 - 2r_{1-1}^1, \quad (4)$$

$$u_2 = r_{11}^5 + r_{1-1}^5, \quad (5)$$

$$u_3 = r_{11}^8 + r_{1-1}^8. \quad (6)$$

Comparison of Unnatural-Parity

Exchange for ρ^0 and ω

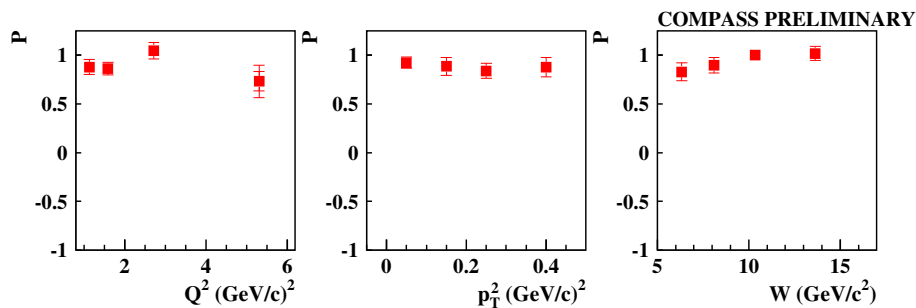


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UPE amplitudes are found very small for ρ^0 , while they are large for ω .

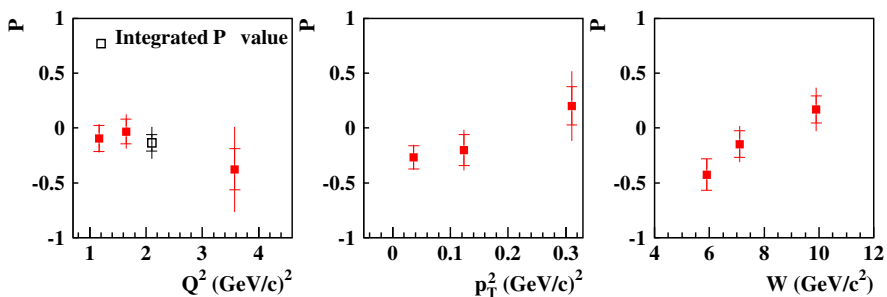
NPE-to-UPE ASYMMETRY P for ρ^0 and ω



P NPE-to-UNP relation for Q^2 , p_T^2 , W .
NPE - Natural-Parity-Exchange,
UPE- Unnatural-Parity-Exchange

$$P = \frac{d\sigma_T^N(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T) - d\sigma_T^U(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T)}{d\sigma_T^N(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T) + d\sigma_T^U(\gamma_T^* \rightarrow V_T)}$$

$$= \frac{2r_{1-1}^1}{1 - r_{00}^{04} - 2r_{1-1}^{04}},$$



For ρ^0 small contribution of $d\sigma_T^U$ is observed while for ω case $d\sigma_T^U$ and $d\sigma_T^N$ are of comparable magnitude.

Summary

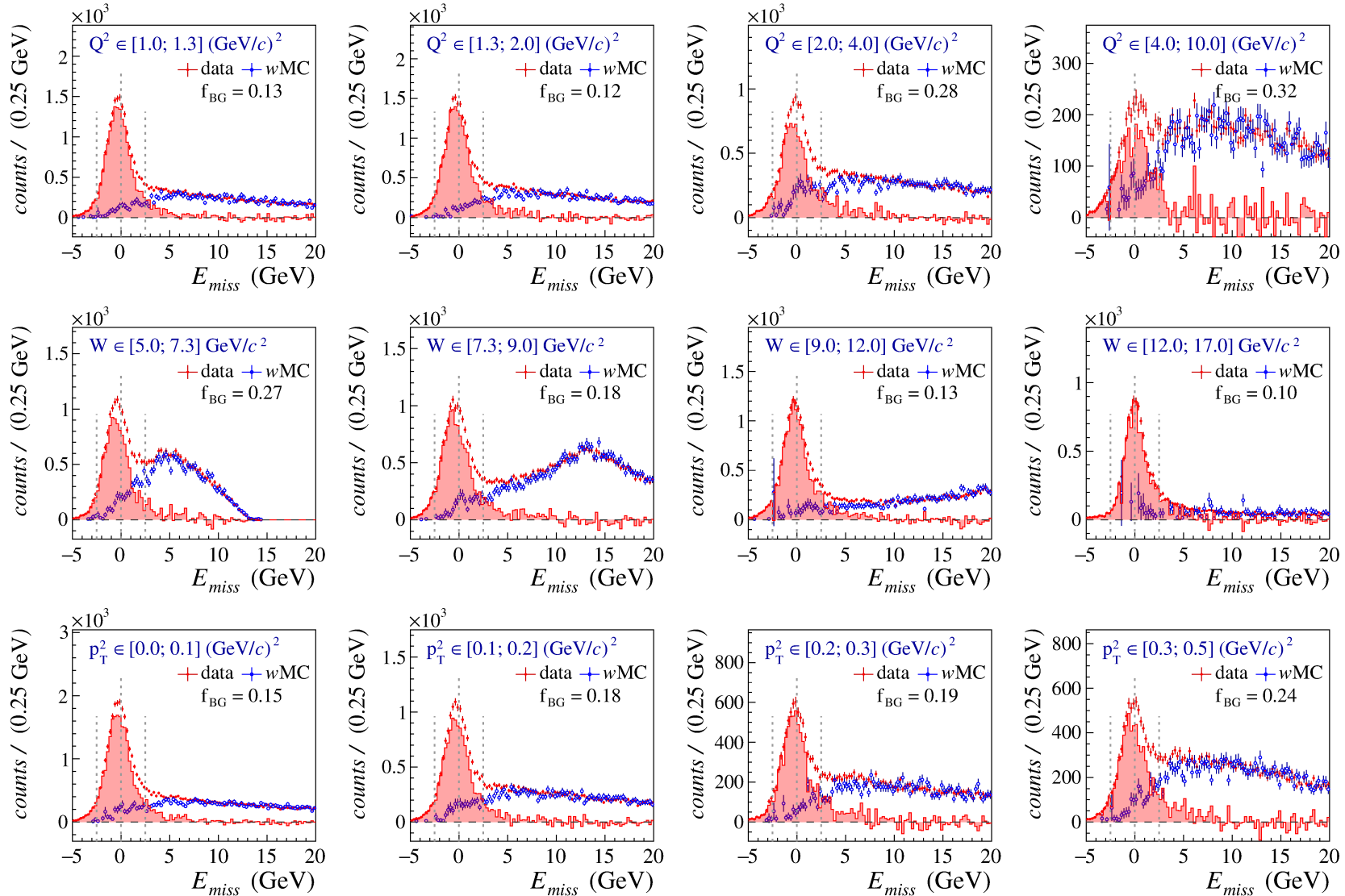
- The 23 SDMEs are extracted for muoproduction of ρ^0 meson on proton at COMPASS.
- SDMEs grouped into five classes according to the helicity transition were presented.
- Dependences of SDMEs on Q^2 , p_T^2 and W were determined.
- The Hypothesis of SCHC in ρ^0 meson production is **violated**. Contribution of $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_L^0$ transition gives access to transversity GPDs.
- Clearly observed dependences of τ_{01} on Q^2 , p_T^2 and W .
- A small contribution of UPE is observed at low W .
- The UPE-to-NPE asymmetry of the transverse cross section indicate dominance of NPE amplitude.

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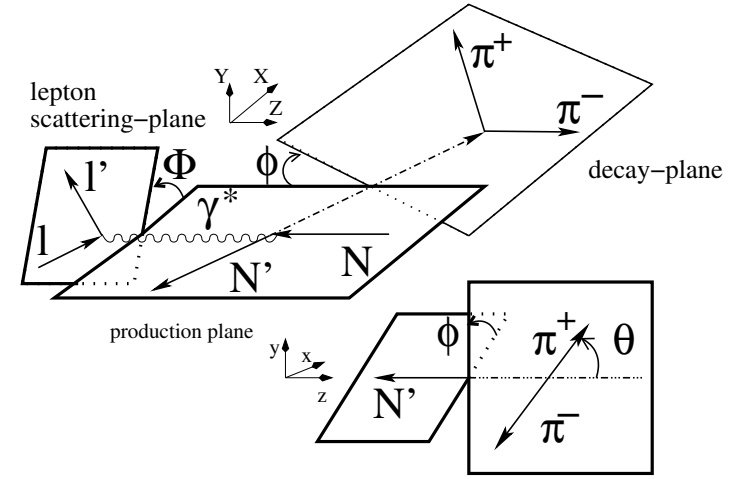
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Function for the Fit of 23 SDME r_{ij}^{α}

$$\mathbf{W}(\cos \Theta, \phi, \Phi) = W^{unpol} + W^{long.pol},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{W}^{unpol}(\cos \Theta, \phi, \Phi) = & \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left[\frac{1}{2}(1-r_{00}^{04}) + \frac{1}{2}(3r_{00}^{04}-1) \cos^2 \Theta - \right. \\ & \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^{04}\} \sin 2\Theta \cos \phi - r_{1-1}^{04} \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi \\ & - \epsilon \cos 2\Phi \left(r_{11}^1 \sin^2 \Theta + r_{00}^1 \cos^2 \Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^1\} \sin 2\Theta \cos \phi - \right. \\ & \left. r_{1-1}^1 \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi \right) \\ & - \epsilon \sin 2\Phi \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^2\} \sin 2\Theta \sin \phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^2\} \sin^2 \Theta \sin 2\phi \right) \\ & + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \cos \Phi \left(r_{11}^5 \sin^2 \Theta + r_{00}^5 \cos^2 \Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^5\} \sin 2\Theta \cos \phi - \right. \\ & \left. r_{1-1}^5 \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi \right) \\ & \left. + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \sin \Phi \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^6\} \sin 2\Theta \sin \phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^6\} \sin^2 \Theta \sin 2\phi \right) \right], \\ \mathbf{W}^{long.pol}(\cos \Theta, \phi, \Phi) = & \frac{3}{8\pi^2} P_{beam} \left[\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2} \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^3\} \sin 2\Theta \sin \phi + \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^3\} \sin^2 \Theta \sin 2\phi \right) \right. \\ & + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \cos \Phi \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\{r_{10}^7\} \sin 2\Theta \sin \phi + \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^7\} \sin^2 \Theta \sin 2\phi \right) \\ & \left. + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \sin \Phi \left(r_{11}^8 \sin^2 \Theta + r_{00}^8 \cos^2 \Theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\{r_{10}^8\} \sin 2\Theta \cos \phi - \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. r_{1-1}^8 \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \cos \Phi &= \frac{(q \times v) \cdot (k \times k')}{|(q \times v)| \cdot |(k \times k')|}, & \sin \Phi &= \frac{[(q \times v) \times (k \times k')] \cdot q}{|(q \times v)| \cdot |(k \times k')| \cdot |q|}, \\ \cos \phi &= \frac{(q \times v) \cdot (v \times p_{\pi+})}{|(q \times v)| \cdot |(v \times p_{\pi+})|}, & \sin \phi &= \frac{[(q \times v) \times v] \cdot (p_{\pi+} \times v)}{|(q \times v) \times v| \cdot |p_{\pi+} \times v|}, \\ \cos \Theta &= \frac{-P' \cdot p_{\pi+}}{|P'| \cdot |p_{\pi+}|}, & \epsilon &= \frac{1-y-y^2 \frac{Q^2}{4v^2}}{1-y+\frac{1}{4}y^2 \left(\frac{Q^2}{v^2} + 2 \right)}. \end{aligned}$$

Unbinned Max. Likelihood Method BKG.

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Background correction in Likelihood method is a two step process. Using the same negative log-likelihood function Eq.5 to be minimized, where the input for the log-likelihood function is the angular distribution of SIDIS background.

We can determined parameters \mathcal{B} (“ SIDIS - background SDMEs “) characterizing SIDIS background

$$-\ln L(\mathcal{B}) = -\sum_{i=1}^N \ln \frac{\mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{B}; \Phi_i, \phi_i, \cos \Theta_i)}{\tilde{\mathcal{N}}(\mathcal{B})}, \quad (8)$$

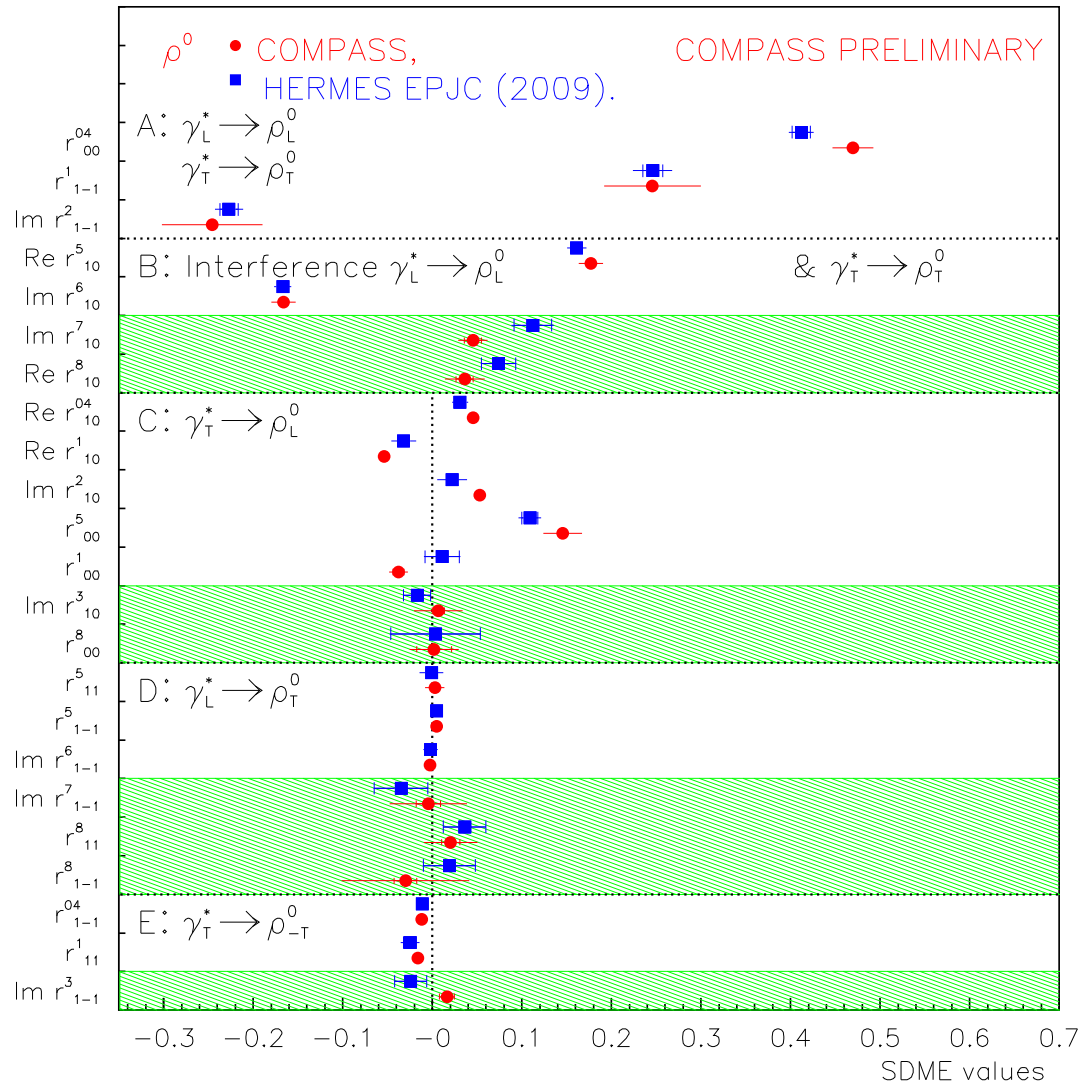
Using parameters characterising SIDIS background \mathcal{B} , SDMEs corrected for SIDIS background are obtained with the following negative log-likelihood function

$$-\ln L(\mathcal{R}) = -\sum_{i=1}^N \ln \left[\frac{(1 - f_{bg}) * \mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{R}; \Phi_i, \phi_i, \cos \Theta_i) + f_{bg} * \mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{B}; \Phi_i, \phi_i, \cos \Theta_i)}{\tilde{\mathcal{N}}(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{B})} \right].$$

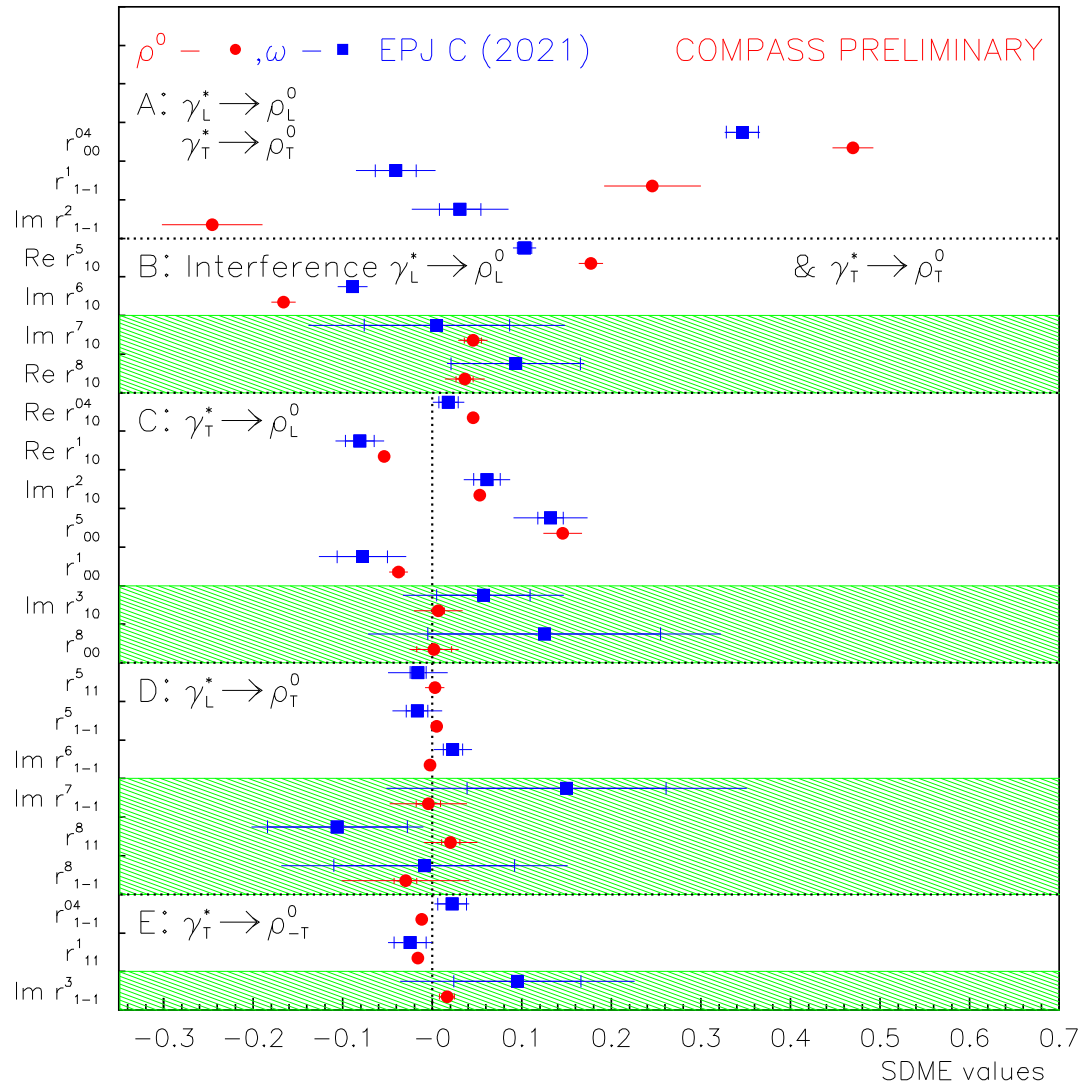
The normalization factor reads correspondingly

$$\tilde{\mathcal{N}}(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{B}) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{MC}} [(1 - f_{bg}) * \mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{R}; \Phi_j, \phi_j, \cos \Theta_j) + f_{bg} * \mathcal{W}^{U+L}(\mathcal{B}; \Phi_j, \phi_j, \cos \Theta_j)].$$

SDME comparison with HERMES



SDME comparison with Omega



SDMEs and Amplitudes for: ρ^0

A- SCHC $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_L$ and $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_T$
 $|T_{11}|^2 \propto 1 - r_{00}^{04} \propto r_{1-1}^1 \propto -\text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^2\}$

B- Interference: $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_L$ and $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_T$
 $\text{Re}\{T_{00}T_{11}^*\} \propto \text{Re}\{r_{10}^5\} \propto -\text{Im}\{r_{10}^6\}$
 $\text{Im}\{T_{11}T_{00}^*\} \propto \text{Im}\{r_{10}^7\} \propto \text{Re}\{r_{10}^8\}$

C- Spin Flip: $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_L$
 $\text{Re}\{T_{11}T_{01}^*\} \propto \text{Re}\{r_{10}^{04}\}$
 $\propto \text{Re}\{r_{10}^1\} \propto \text{Im}\{r_{10}^2\}$
 $\text{Re}\{T_{01}T_{00}^*\} \propto r_{00}^5$
 $|T_{01}|^2 \propto r_{00}^1$
 $\text{Im}\{T_{01}T_{11}^*\} \propto \text{Im}\{r_{10}^3\}$
 $\text{Im}\{T_{01}T_{00}^*\} \propto r_{00}^8$

D- Spin Flip: $\gamma_L^* \rightarrow \rho_T$
 $\text{Re}\{T_{10}T_{11}^*\} \propto r_{11}^5 \propto r_{1-1}^5 \propto \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^6\}$
 $\text{Im}\{T_{10}T_{11}^*\} \propto \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^7\} \propto r_{11}^8 \propto r_{1-1}^8$

E- Double Spin Flip: $\gamma_T^* \rightarrow \rho_{-T}$
 $\text{Re}\{T_{1-1}T_{11}^*\} \propto r_{1-1}^{04} \propto r_{11}^1$
 $\text{Im}\{T_{1-1}T_{11}^*\} \propto \text{Im}\{r_{1-1}^3\}$

