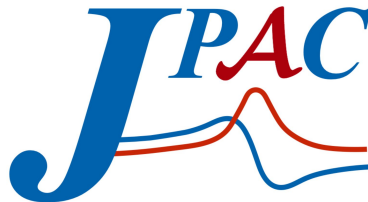


# Charmonium (and beyond) in Photoproduction



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# Summary

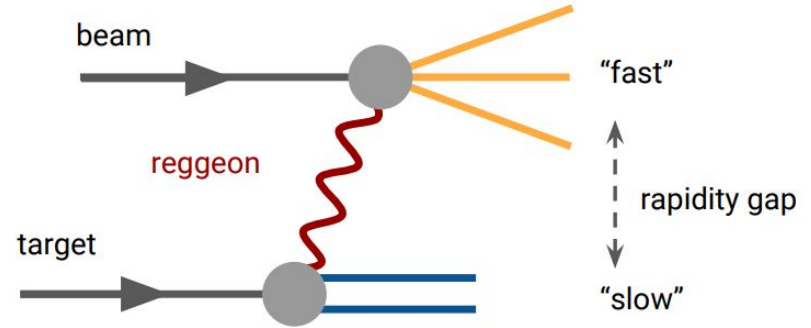
- Introduction
  - Why look at charm sector?
  - Why photoproduction?
- Exclusive reactions:
  - XYZ [**Phys. Rev. D 102, 114010 (2020)**]
  - $J/\psi$  [**Phys. Rev. D 108 (2023) 5, 054018**]
- Semi-inclusive reactions:
  - $Z_c(3900)$  [**Phys. Rev. D 106 (2022) 09, 094009**]
  - $X(3872)$  [**finishing soon**]
- and beyond...

# Photoproduction

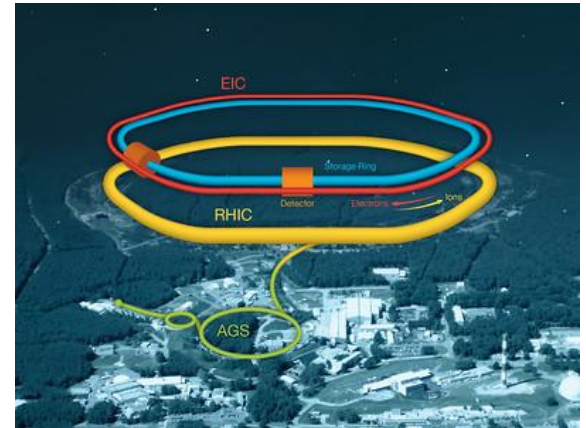
Powerful tool in spectroscopy

- Can produce any quantum-numbers
- Well understood in terms of diffractive production (**exchange physics**)
- Constrained kinematics means precise probe of production mechanism
- Polarization information gives useful insight into structure
- Minimizes role of rescattering

JPAC [Phys.Rev.D 98 (2018) 3, 034020]



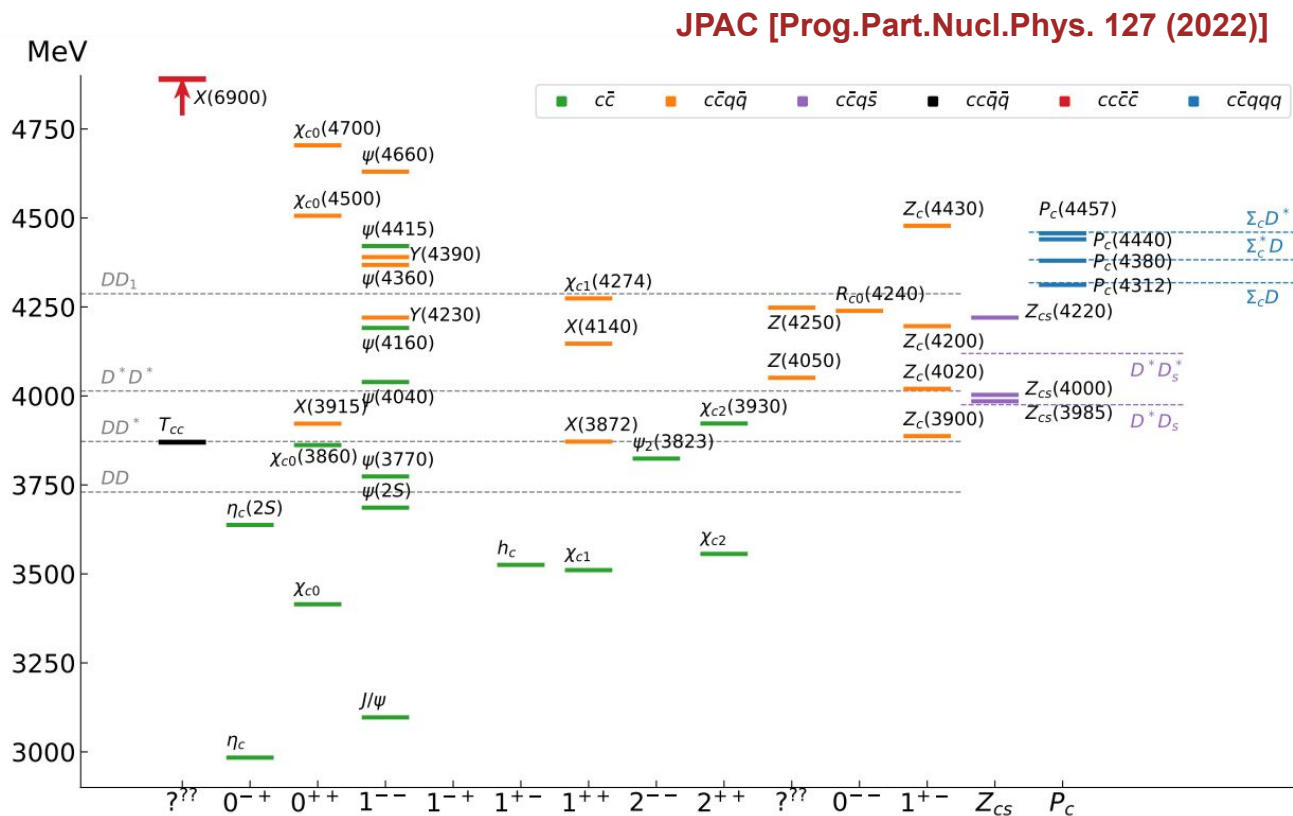
EIC Yellow Report [arXiv:2103.05419]



# Exotic XYZ states

Rich spectrum of resonance-like signals observed in heavy baryon decays and electron-positron collisions.

Seemingly consistent with structure **beyond  $Q\bar{Q}$** .



# Exotic XYZ states

Precise microscopic nature inconclusive, with multiple possible interpretations in terms of QCD degrees of freedom.

Coincidence of nearby multiparticle thresholds may suggest important **multi-channel dynamics**.

Understanding of many as shallow bound states with prominent molecular component from open-charm

$$a = -\frac{2X}{1+X}R + \mathcal{O}(m_\pi^{-1}) \quad r = -\frac{1-X}{X}R + \mathcal{O}(m_\pi^{-1})$$

Li et al [arXiv:2110.02766]

Albaladejo and Nieves [arXiv:2203.04864]

See reviews:

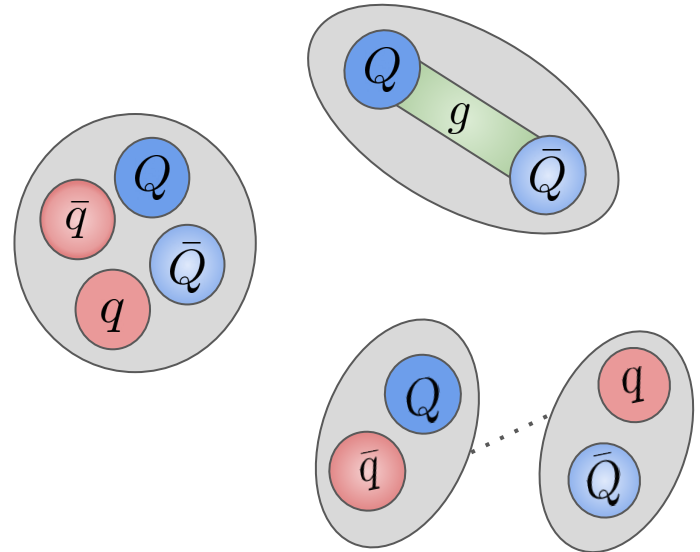
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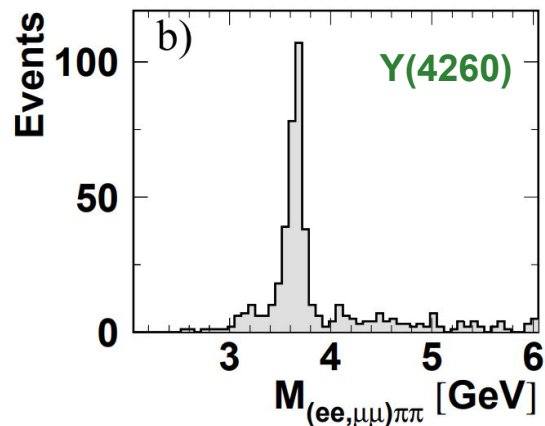
Brambilla et al [Phys.Rept. 873 (2020) 1-154]

Guo et al [Rev.Mod.Phys. 90 (2018) 1, 015004]

Esposito et al [Phys.Rept. 668 (2017) 1-97]



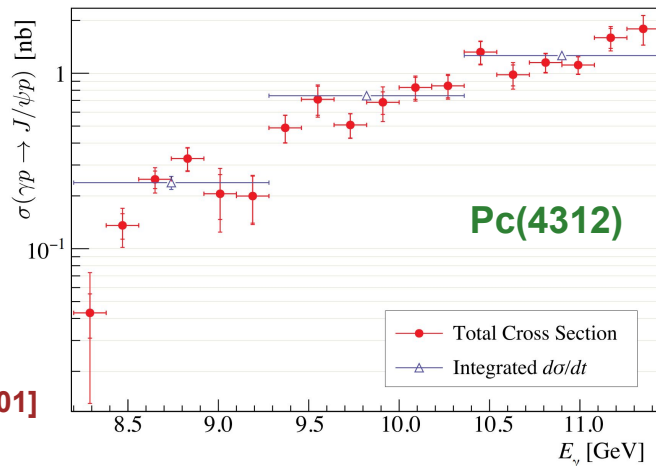
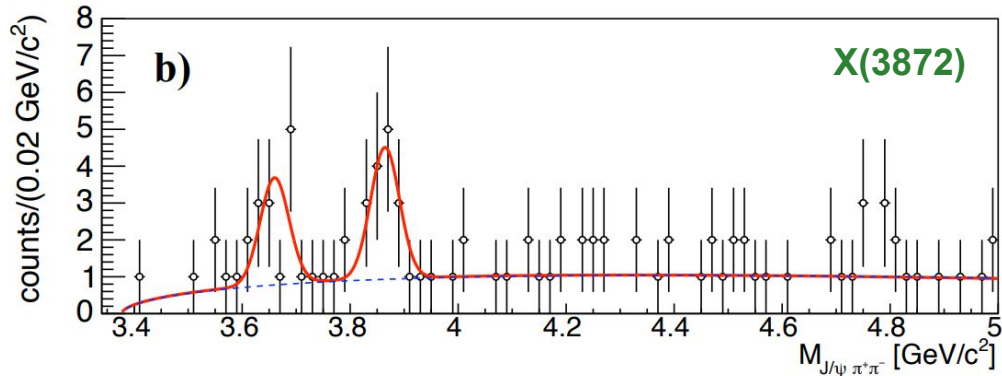
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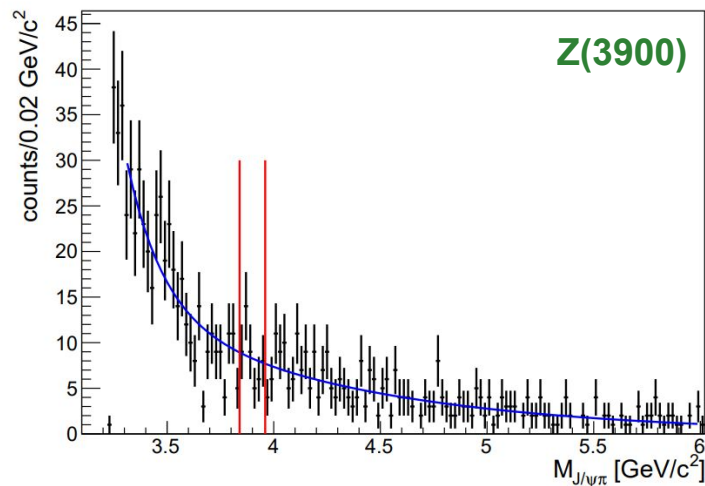
H1 [Phys.Lett.B 541 (2002) 251-264]

GlueX [Phys.Rev.C 108 (2023) 2, 025201]

COMPASS [Phys.Lett.B 783 (2018) 334-340]



COMPASS [Phys.Lett.B 742 (2015) 330-334]



# Proton structure

Potential probe of gluonic contributions to proton mass by mimicking spin-2 graviton current

- Gravitational form factors

**Mamo & Zahed [Phys. Rev. D 101, 086003 (2020)]**

**Guo, Ji & Liu [Phys. Rev. D 103, 096010 (2021)]**

- Mass radius

**Kharzeev [Phys. Rev. D 104, 054015 (2021)]**

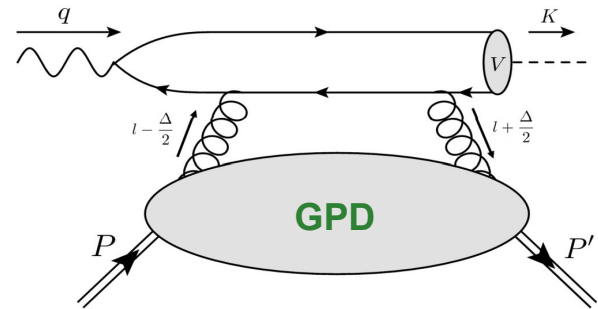
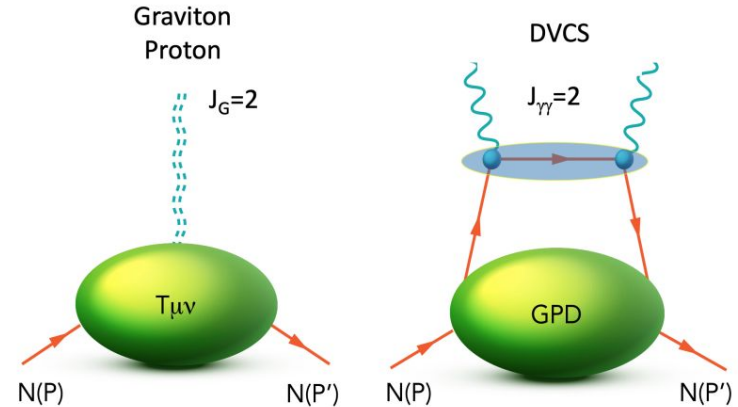
**Mamo & Zahed [Phys. Rev. D 103, 094010 (2021)]**

- Trace anomaly contribution to proton mass

**Wang, Chen, & Evslin [Eur.Phys.J.C 80 (2020) 6, 507]**

**Hatta & Yang [Phys. Rev. D 98, 074003 (2018)]**

V.D. Burkert, L. Elouadrhiri, F.X. Girod [arXiv:2310.11568]

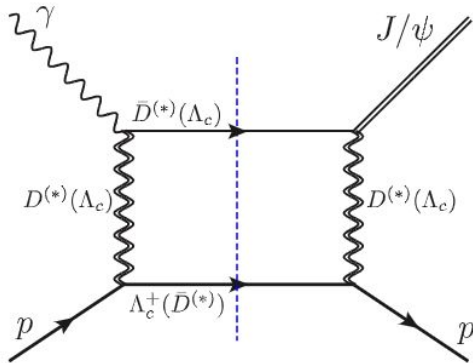


# Exclusive photoproduction

Expected dominant production modes relying on measured branching fractions. Minimal assumption on microscopic nature.

Can consider broad energy range. **Near-threshold** production dominated by meson exchanges while high-energy production proceeds through Reggeon exchanges.

Largest uncertainty comes from use of VMD.

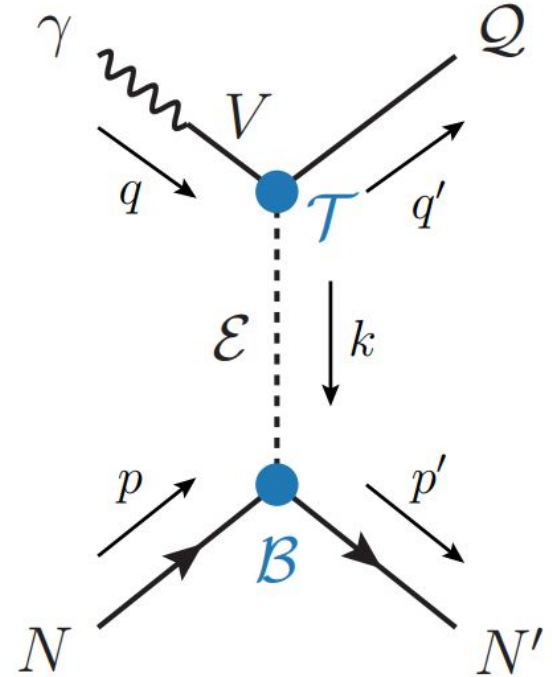


Xu et al [Eur.Phys.J.C 81 (2021) 10, 895]

Ignores possible more complicated production modes which may contribute

Du et al [Eur.Phys.J.C 80 (2020) 11, 1053]

JPAC [Phys. Rev. D 102, 114010 (2020)]





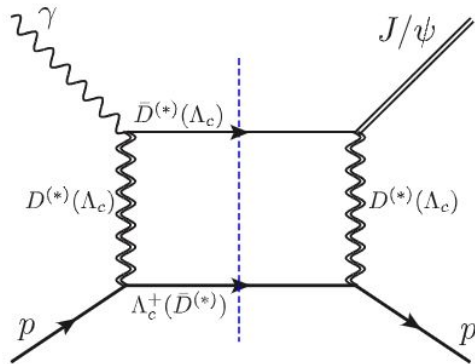
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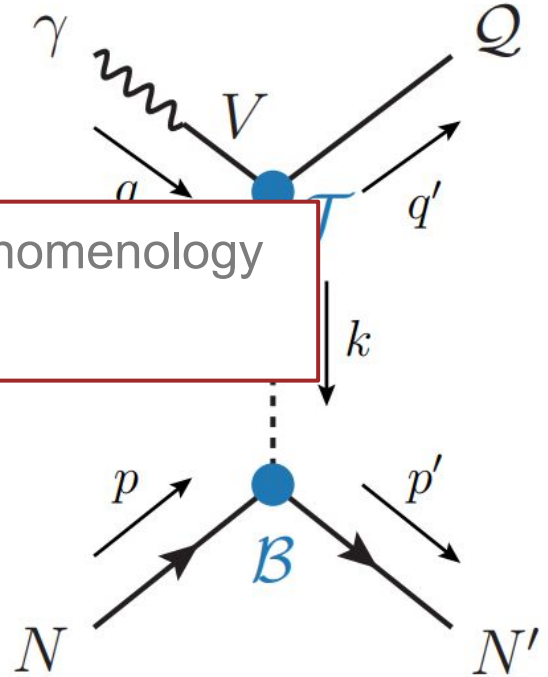


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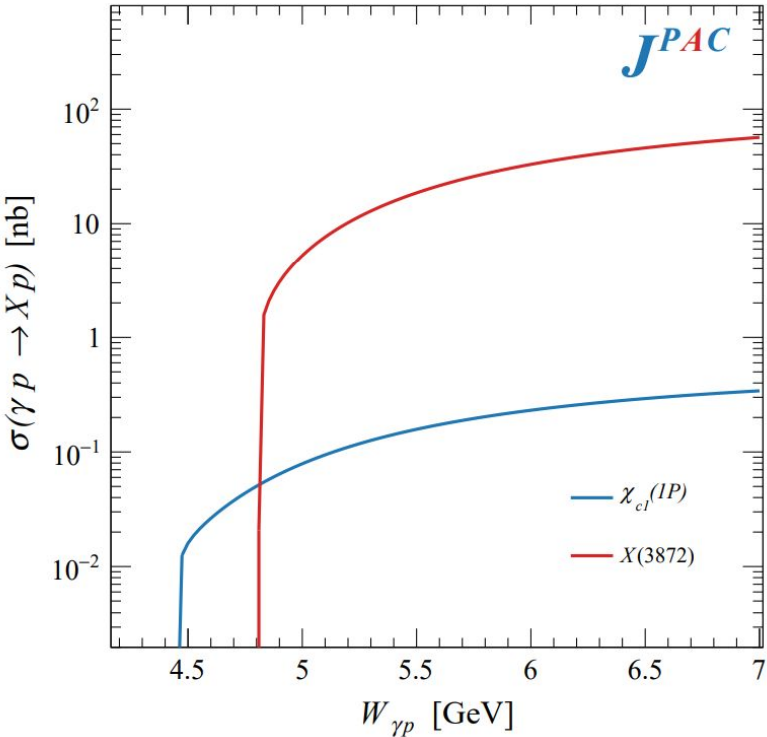
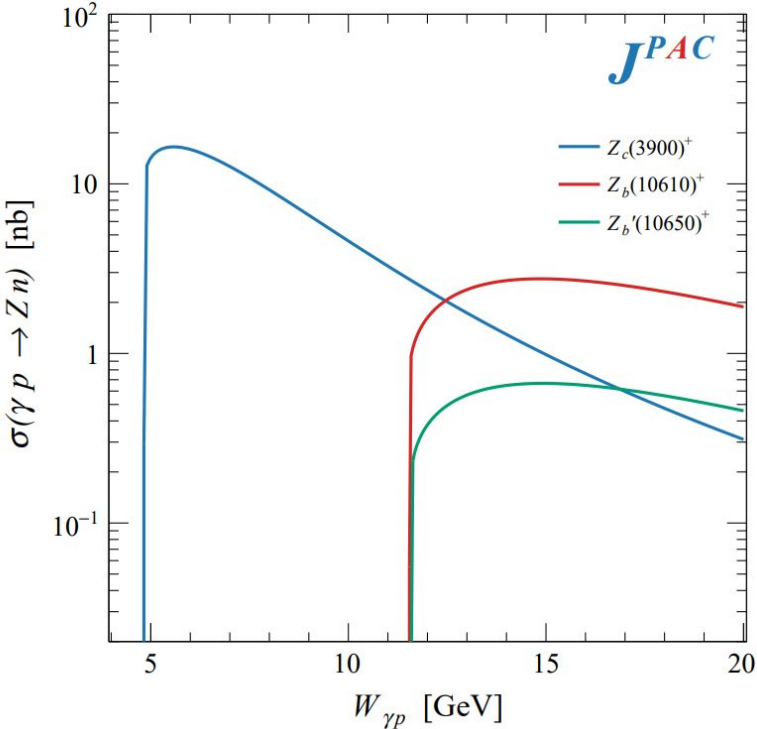
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# Exclusive photoproduction

Near-threshold production seems very promising for X(3872) and Z states



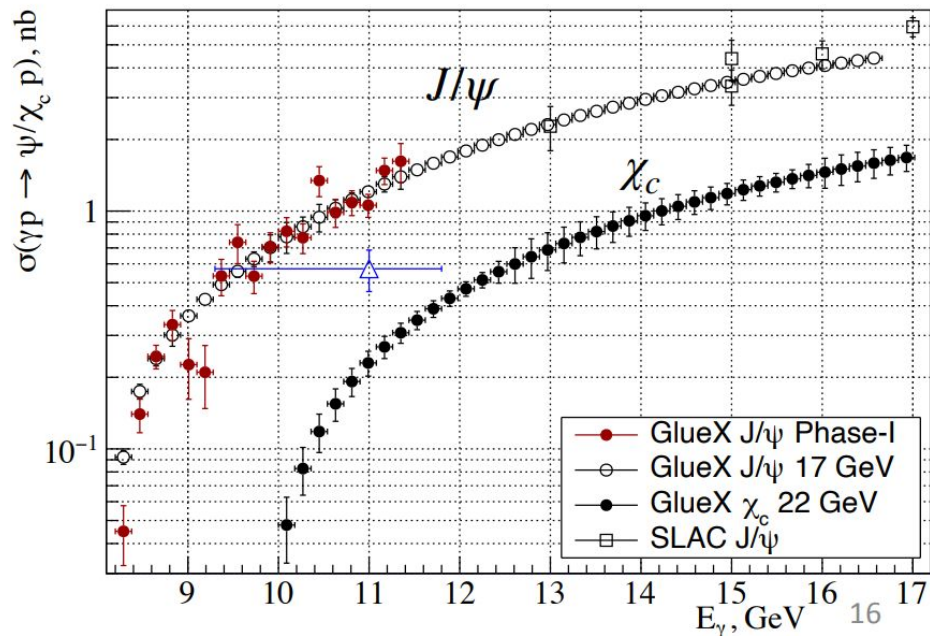
# $\chi_{c1}$ at GlueX?

Radiative couplings measured (no need for VMD) so vector exchange is in principle a known amplitude.

**Observation in GlueX about a factor 10 enhanced compared to prediction (~0.02 nb at 11 GeV)**

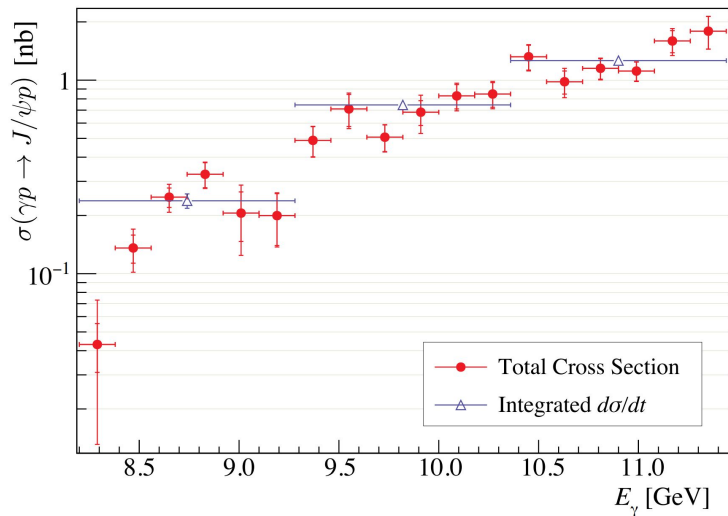
Is observed state the 1P or 2P? Both? Other production mechanism? C-even glue exchange, open charm box? Something else?

From Lubomir's talk at "J/psi and Beyond" Workshop at JLab Aug 2022



- We have used the measured  $\chi_c$  yields and MC simulations (efficiency  $\sim 10\%$ ) to scale the JPAC calculations for  $\chi_{c1}$  photoproduction cross section and make projections for GlueX with 22 GeV beam:

# $J/\psi$ at GlueX

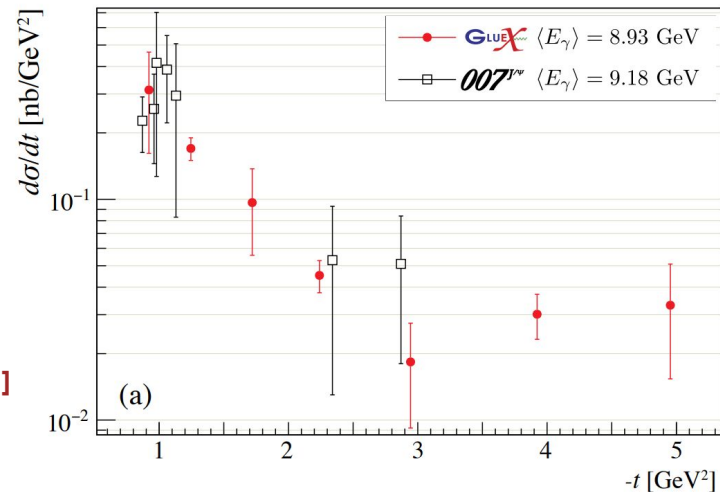


**007 $J/\psi$**

[Nature 615 (2023) 7954, 813-816]

**GLUEX**

[Phys.Rev.C 108 (2023) 2, 025201]

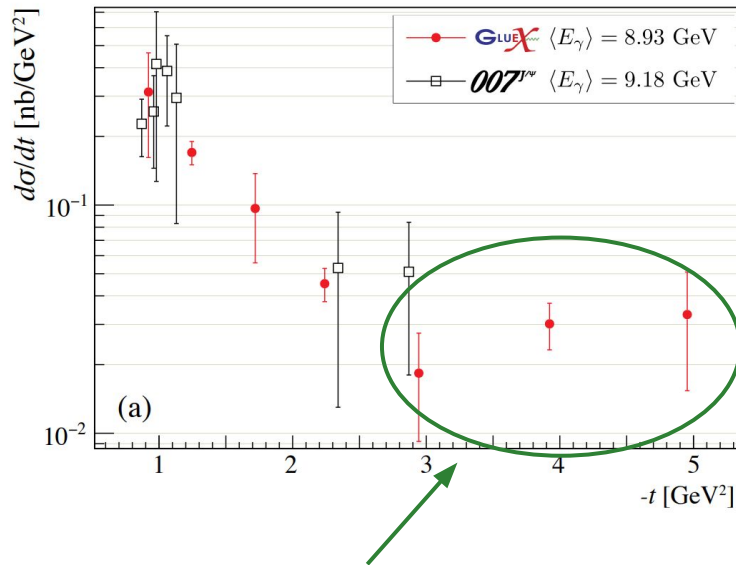
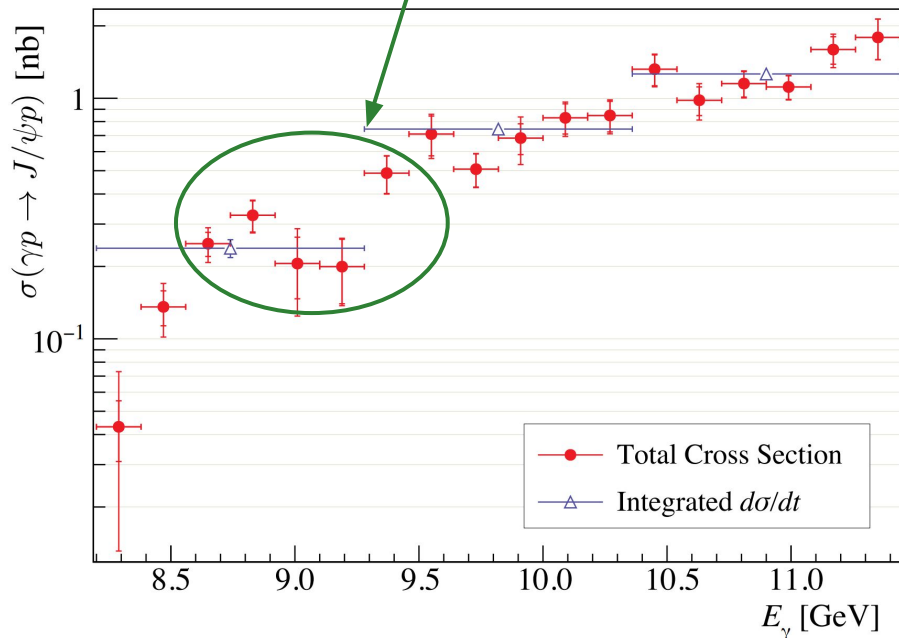


Much larger data set available, incorporating both integrated and differential cross sections.

The latter at from GlueX covers the **full kinematic range**

# J/ $\psi$ at GlueX

“Dip” now established at  $\sim 2.6\sigma$  compared to a smooth fit



Flattening of  $t$ -distribution at large momentum transfer also at  $\sim 2.3\sigma$  compared to a dipole

**Coupled-channels? Pentaquarks?**

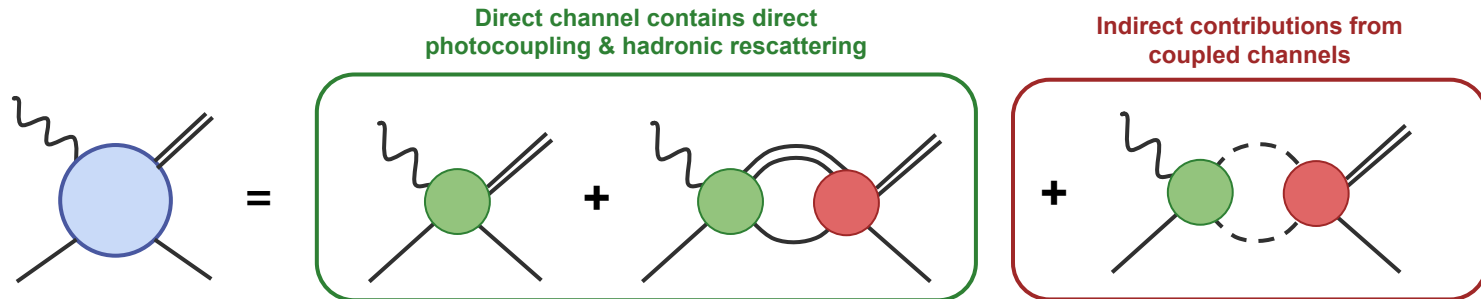
# K-matrix analysis

Larger data set allows more comprehensive analysis in terms of **s-channel partial waves**.

Expansion close to threshold, allows us to use finitely many partial waves, consistent with **coupled-channel unitarity**

$$F(s, t) = \sum_{\ell} (2\ell + 1) P_{\ell}(\cos \theta) F_{\ell}(s)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{Im } F_{\ell} &= F_{\ell} \rho T_{\ell}^{\dagger} \\ \text{Im } T_{\ell} &= T_{\ell} \rho T_{\ell}^{\dagger} \end{aligned} \right\} \longrightarrow F_{\ell} = f_{\ell} (1 - G T_{\ell}) \quad \text{with} \quad T_{\ell} = \frac{1}{K_{\ell}^{-1} + G}$$



# K-matrix analysis

## ~~Limitations:~~ Advantages:

- **Not a microscopic model**

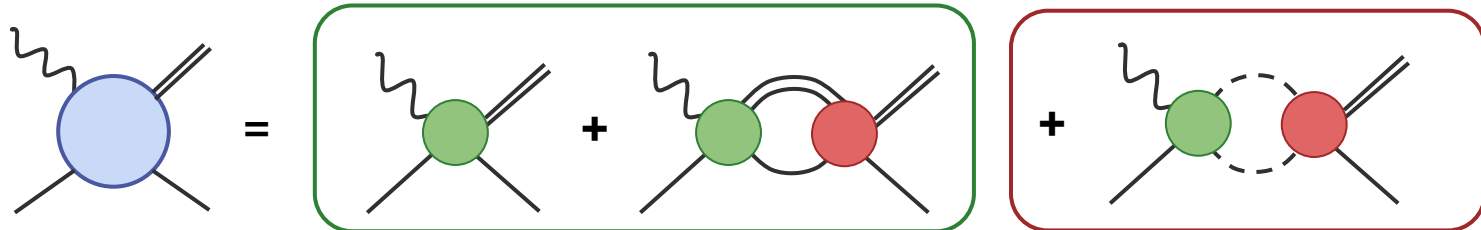
We don't incur model uncertainty from having to assume dynamics. Model fully analytic and describes entire kinematic range. Depends only on # of terms in PWE and in NTE.

**Systematics testable a posteriori.  $L \leq 3$  and effective range work well**

- **Each partial wave must be parameterized independently**

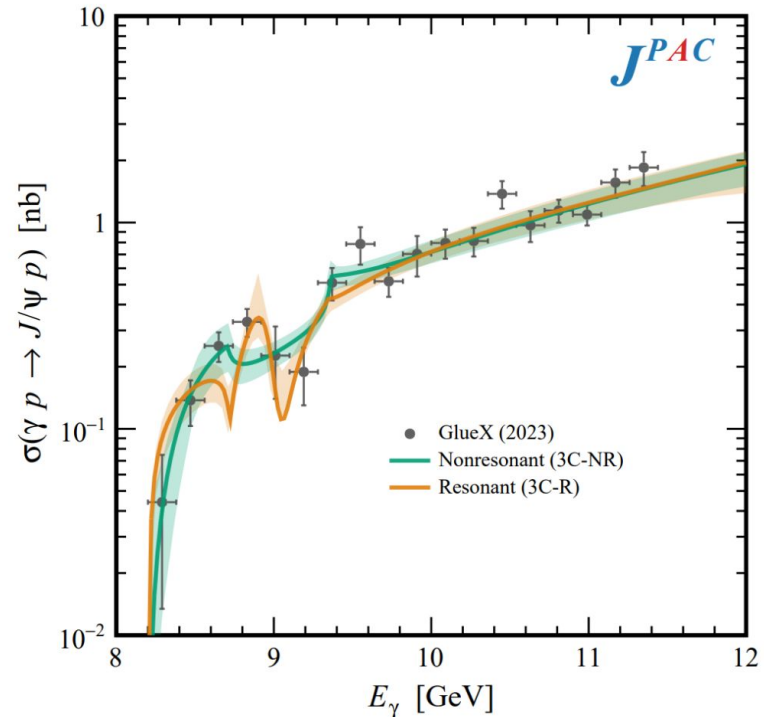
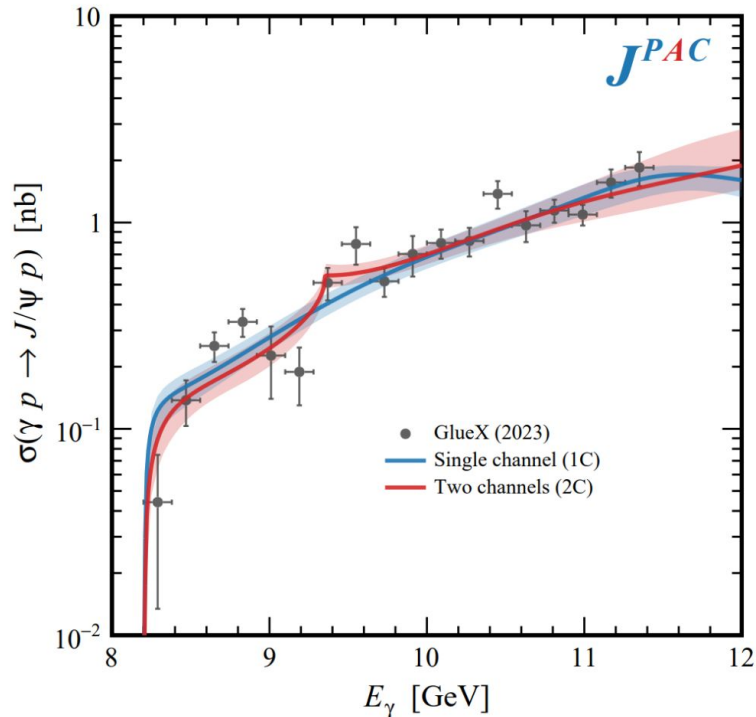
**Production and rescattering entirely unconstrained except by unitarity.**

$$K_S^{ij} = \alpha_S^{ij} + \beta_S^i q_i^2 \delta_{ij} \quad f_\ell = (pq)^\ell n_\ell$$



# Integrated cross section

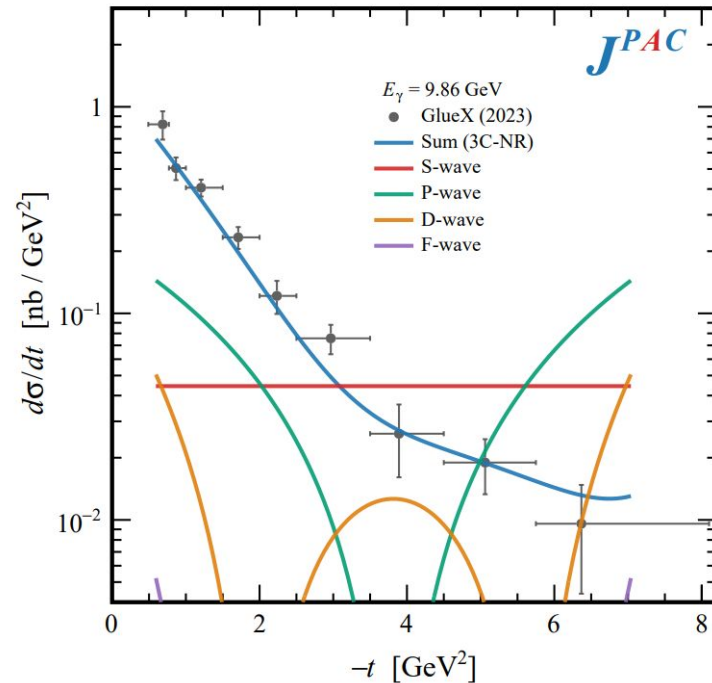
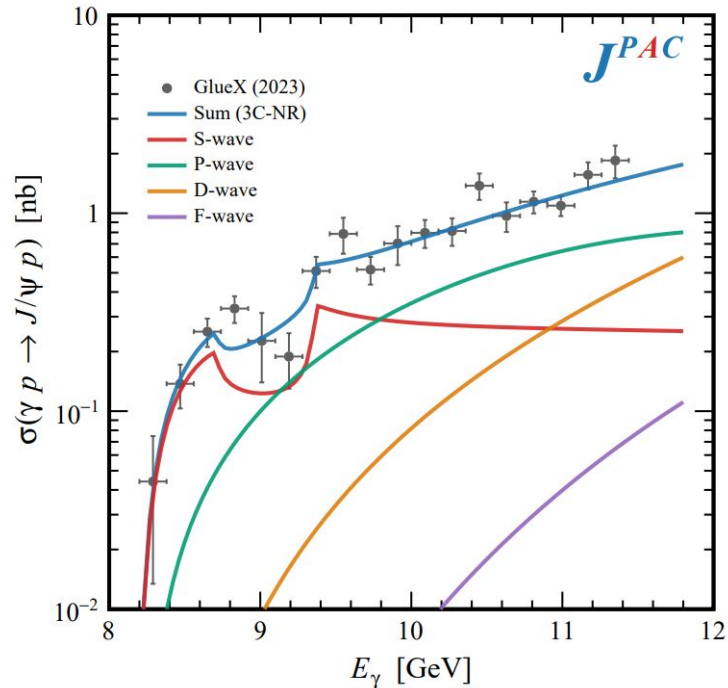
**Four solutions** with different dynamical pictures found to be consistent with full data with similar statistical significance.





# Differential cross section

Exponential  $t$  behavior captured with only a **few partial waves** (completely analytic in  $t$ )

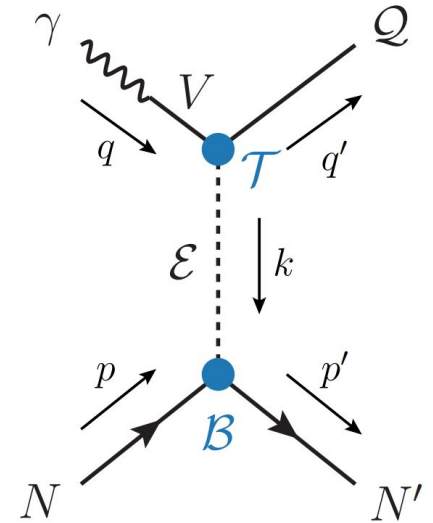


# Vector meson dominance

K-matrix formalism allows us to extract the **elastic  $J/\psi p$  amplitude** directly (obeying unitarity). Define test ratio to check the validity of the VMD assumption:

$$R_{\text{VMD}}(x) = \left| \frac{F^{\psi p}(s_{\text{th}}, x) / g_{\gamma\psi}}{T^{\psi p, \psi p}(s_{\text{th}}, x)} \right|$$

VMD found to underestimate elastic scattering by **2 orders of magnitude** in all cases except those containing a nearby pole!



<b>1C</b>	$[0.45 \text{ } 0.73] \times 10^{-2}$	$[1.3, 2.0] \times 10^{-2}$
<b>2C</b>	$[0.39, 1.69] \times 10^{-2}$	$[1.3, 5.1] \times 10^{-2}$
<b>3C-NR</b>	$[0.03, 1.74] \times 10^{-2}$	$[0.08, 8.9] \times 10^{-2}$
<b>3C-R</b>	$[1.4 \times 10^{-2}, 0.58]$	$[5.4 \times 10^{-2}, 1.8]$

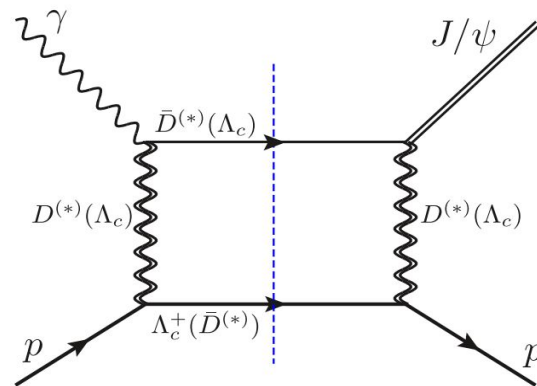
# Need better models

K-matrix demonstrates non-negligible contribution from nearby thresholds. Theory should now go back to looking for **microscopic explanation** which incorporates this.

GPD, holographic, and/or effective Pomeron models cannot incorporate additional threshold...

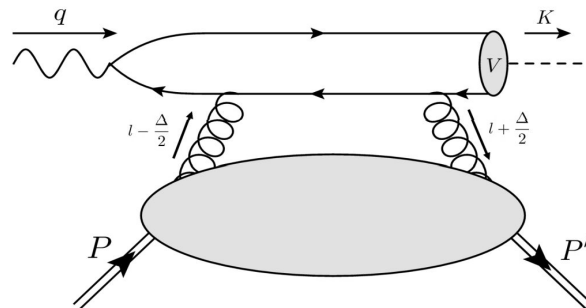
Boxes cannot incorporate glue and completely ignore differential distribution...

## Need prediction for helicity dependence



Du et al. [Eur. Phys. J. C 80 (2020) 1053]

Guo, Ji & Liu [Phys. Rev. D 103, 096010 (2021)]



# In defense of VMD

The X(3872) observed in purely hadronic and photonic modes gives us unique clue to efficacy of VMD.

Model both by same Lagrangian (compare apples to apples)

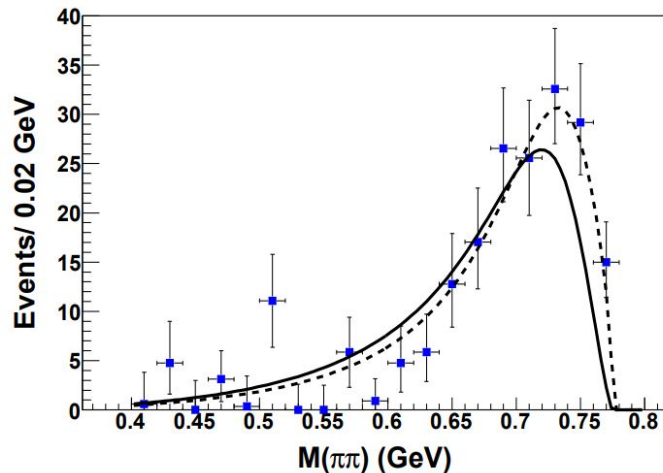
$$\mathcal{L}_{Q\gamma\gamma^*} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{g_{Q\gamma\gamma^*}}{m_Q^2} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} F^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\sigma F^{\sigma\mu} Q^{*\nu}$$

Use VMD to “predict” the photon coupling from the hadronic one.

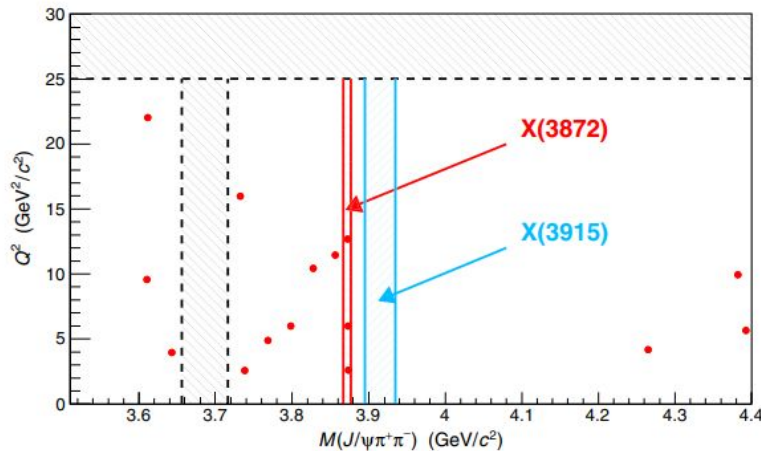
$$g_{Q\gamma\epsilon} = g_{QV\epsilon}/\eta_V = g_{Q\gamma\gamma^*} \eta_\epsilon$$

**Couplings entirely compatible with naive VMD**, dominant  $\omega$  exchange reproduces the photon coupling within 10%

$Q$	$V$	$\mathcal{E}$	$g_{Q\gamma\gamma^*} \times 10^3$
X(3872)	$\gamma$	$\gamma^*$	3.2
	$J/\psi$	$\rho$	5.38
		$\omega$	3.54



Belle [Phys.Rev.D 84 (2011) 052004,  
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# In defense of VMD

Alternatively go the other way, use the fully determined photon exchange amplitude to re-predict the hadronic exchange.

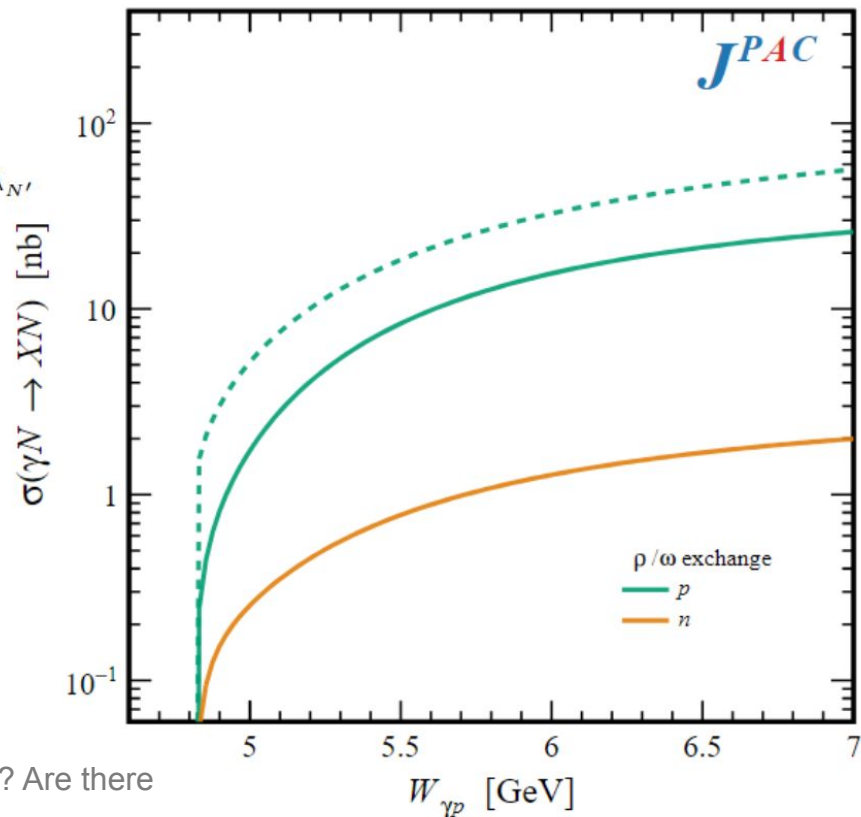
$$\langle \lambda_\gamma, \lambda_N | T_{\mathcal{E}} | \lambda_Q, \lambda_{N'} \rangle = \mathcal{T}_{\lambda_\gamma, \lambda_{\gamma^*} = \lambda_Q}^\mu \eta_{\mathcal{E}} \left[ \frac{-g_{\mu\nu}}{t - m_{\mathcal{E}}^2} \right] \eta_{\mathcal{E}} \beta_{\mathcal{E}}(t') \mathcal{B}_{\lambda_N, \lambda_{N'}}^\nu$$

Rescaling electromagnetic form factors of the with VMD consistent with out original prediction up to factor of  $\sim 2$  without any knowledge of the X(3872) hadronic coupling

$$\mathcal{B}_{\lambda_N \lambda_{N'}}^\mu = e \bar{u}(p', \lambda_{N'}) \left[ F_1(t) \gamma^\mu + F_2(t) \frac{\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2m_N} \right] u(p, \lambda_N)$$

**By no means conclusive but gives us indication enough to not abandon the whole VMD-based program (yet)**

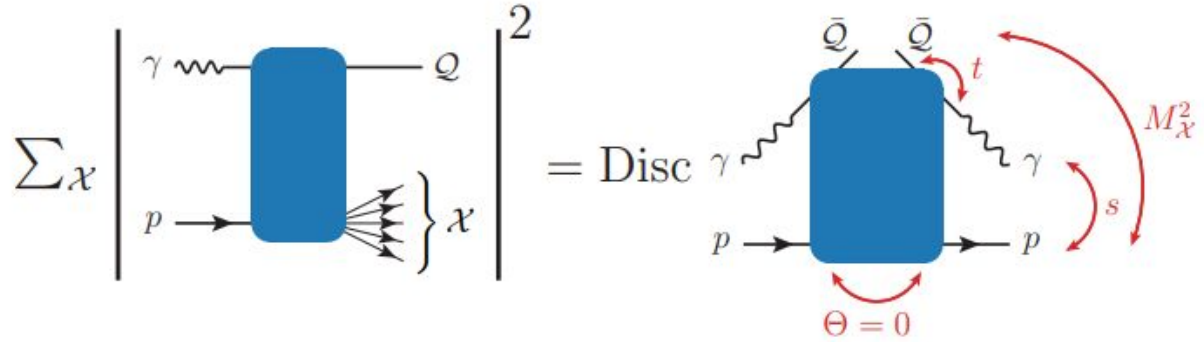
Why does VMD seem to work okay in some sectors but not others? Are there other processes we can look at to test VMD in charm?



# Semi-inclusive production

Expected larger cross-sections, potentially useful for **first observation**.

Exclusive exchange reactions extendable to semi-inclusive final states via generalized optical theorem.



$$E_Q \frac{d^3\sigma}{d^3q_f} = \frac{K}{16\pi^3} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda_Q} |\mathcal{T}_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda_Q}|^2 \mathcal{P}_\pi^2 \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\pi^* N}$$

phase-space factors  $\rightarrow$   $\frac{K}{16\pi^3} \frac{1}{2}$   
 pion propagator  $\rightarrow$   $\mathcal{P}_\pi^2$   
 total hadronic cross-section  $\rightarrow$   $\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\pi^* N}$   
 $\pi\gamma Q$  coupling  $\rightarrow$   $|\mathcal{T}_{\lambda_\gamma \lambda_Q}|^2$

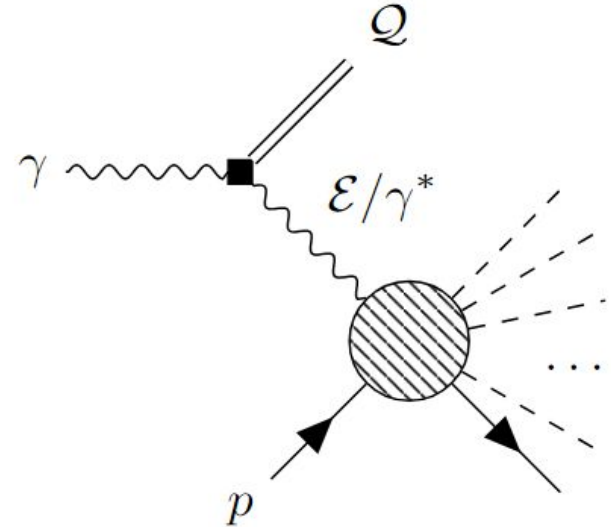
Spineless  $\pi$  exchange factorizes to very simple form in terms of  $\pi N$  total cross section!

# Semi-inclusive production (with spin)

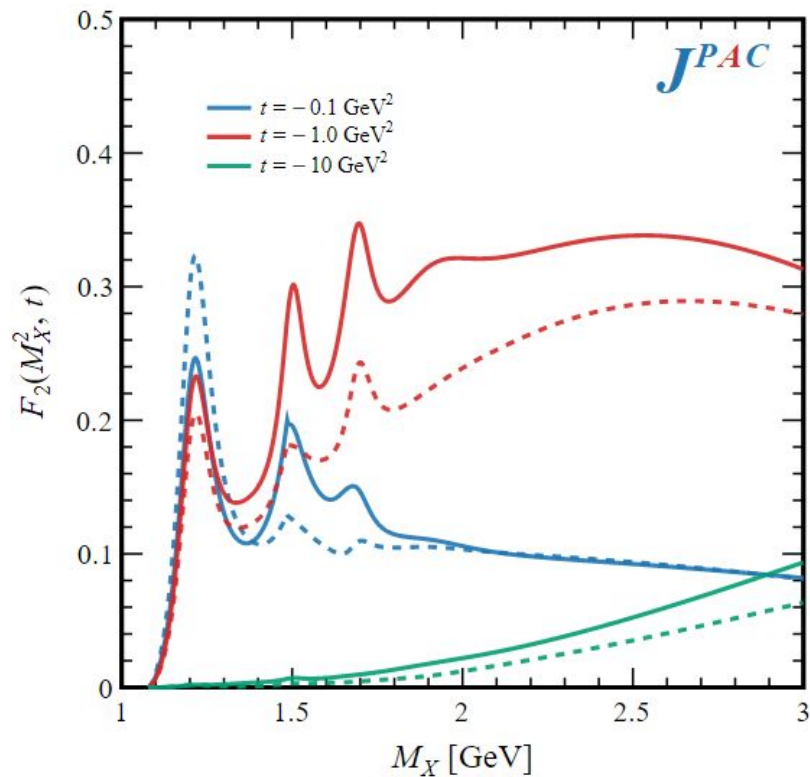
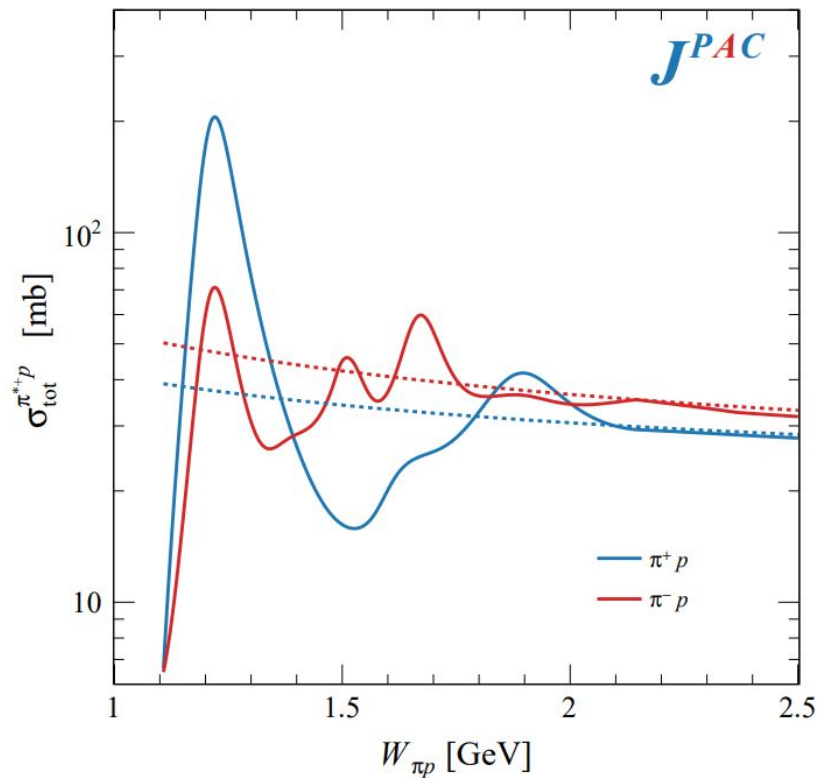
Spin-exchange processes like  $\omega$  exchange require knowledge of **polarized  $\omega$ N cross sections**...

Potential solution is using the apparent success of rescaling electromagnetic form factors to relate to semi-inclusive structure functions!

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dt dM_X^2} = \sum_{\varepsilon} \frac{\overset{\text{VMD}}{\alpha \eta \varepsilon^4}}{2 (2\sqrt{s} E_{\gamma})^2} \underset{\text{V}\gamma\text{X coupling}}{\mathcal{T}_{\gamma Q}^{\mu\nu}} \overset{\text{scalar propagator}}{|\beta_{\varepsilon} \mathcal{P}_{\varepsilon}|^2} \underset{\text{Inclusive structure functions}}{W_{\mu\nu}}$$

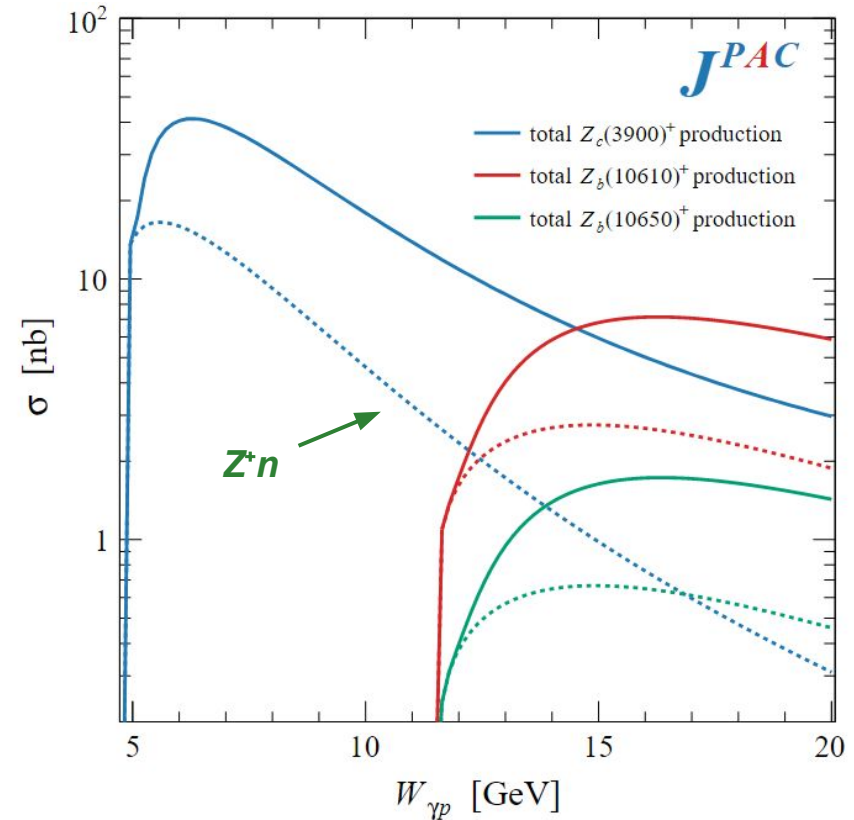
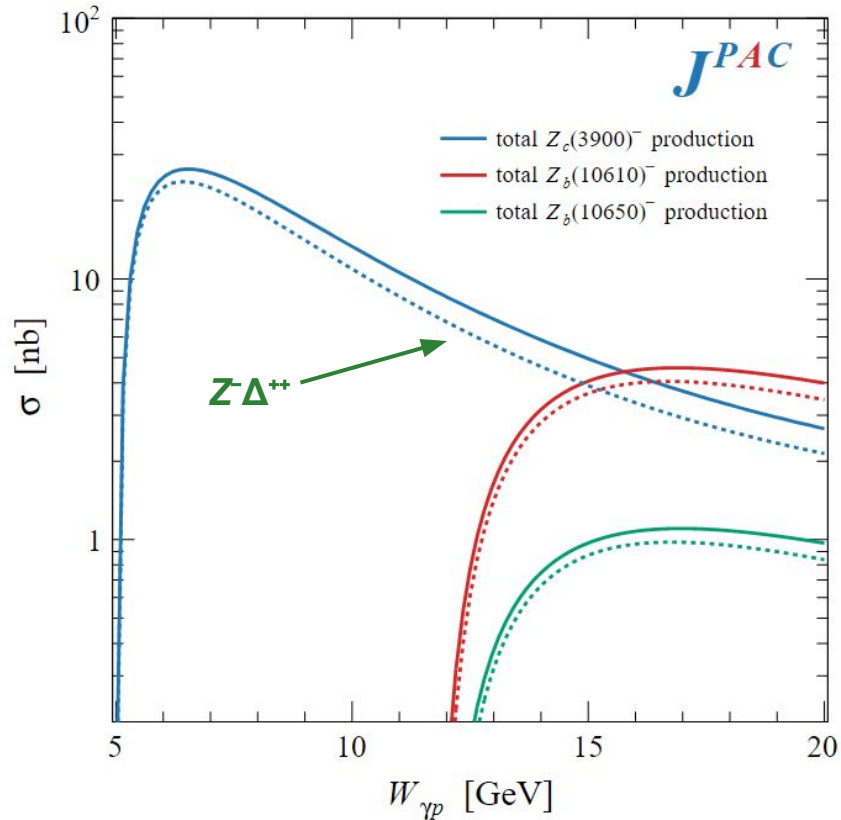


# Missing mass in resonance region

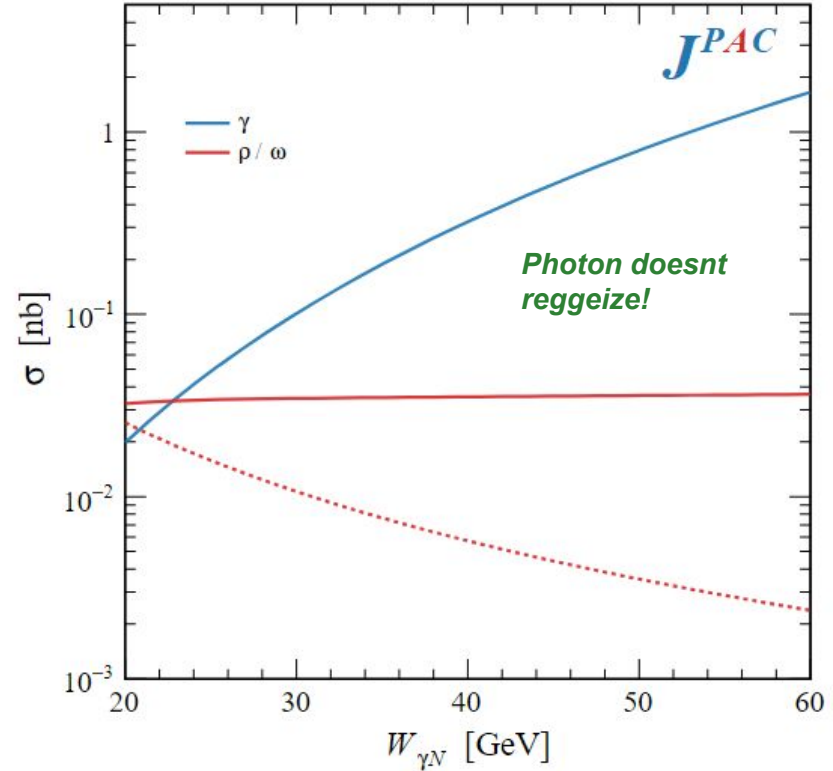
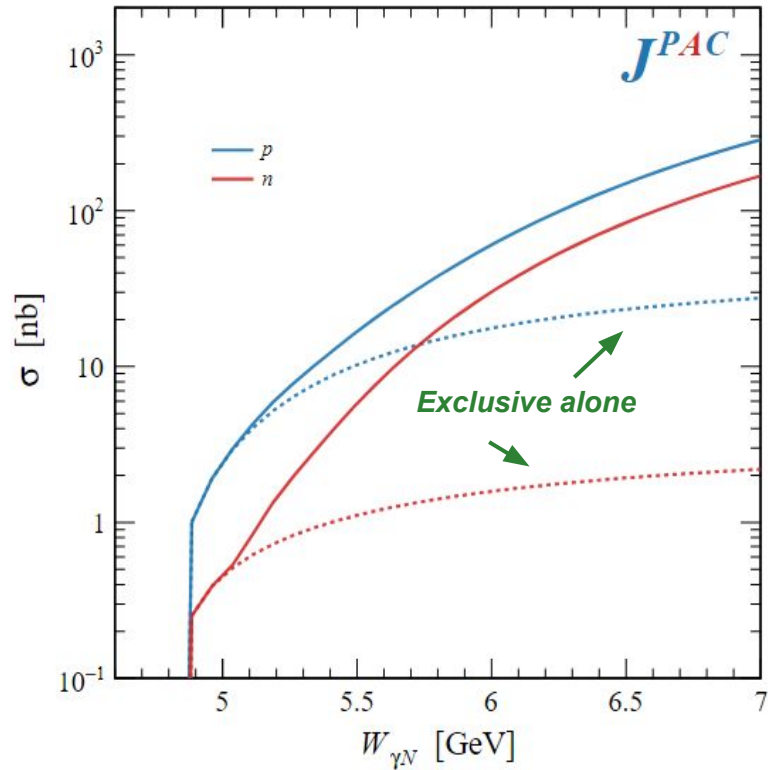




# Charged Z production



# X(3872) production

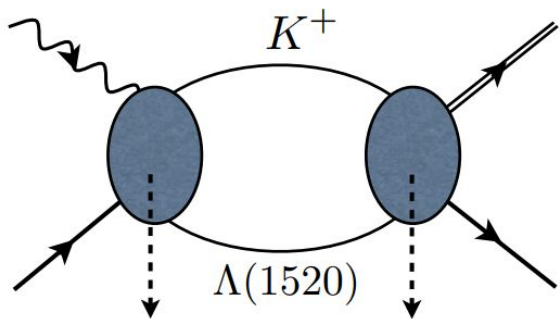


# $\phi$ Photoproduction

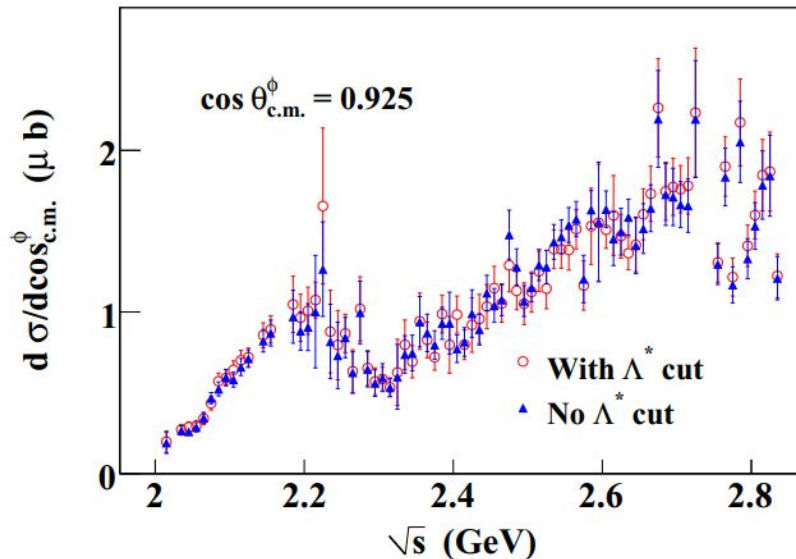
Completely analogous system to charmonium.

Significant structures seen within 1-2 GeV of threshold. Coincides with **open flavor thresholds**.

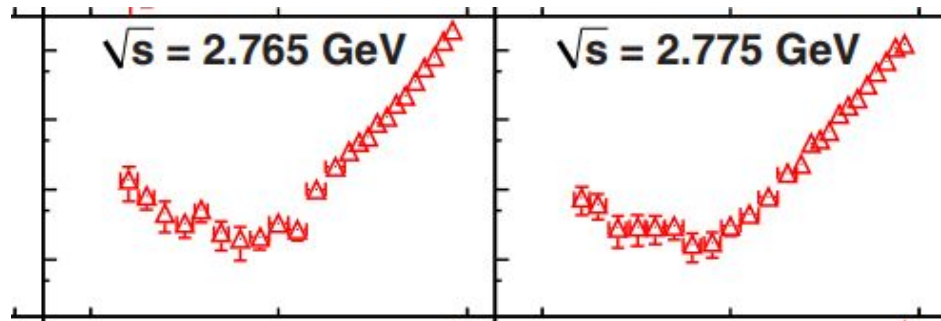
Possibility of hidden strange bound states



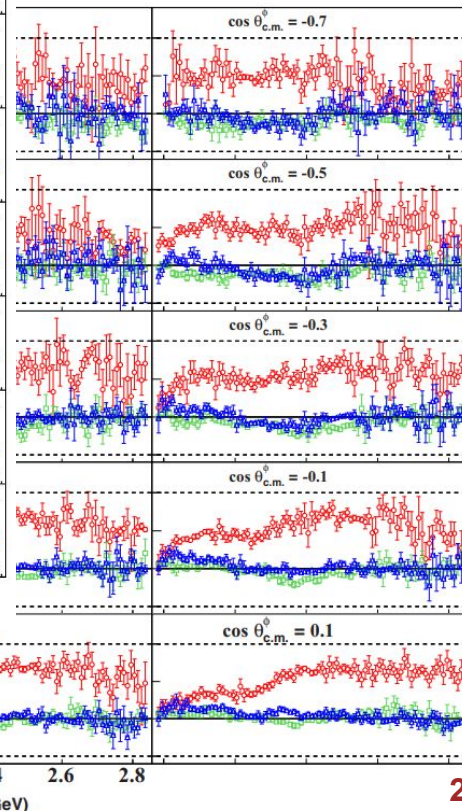
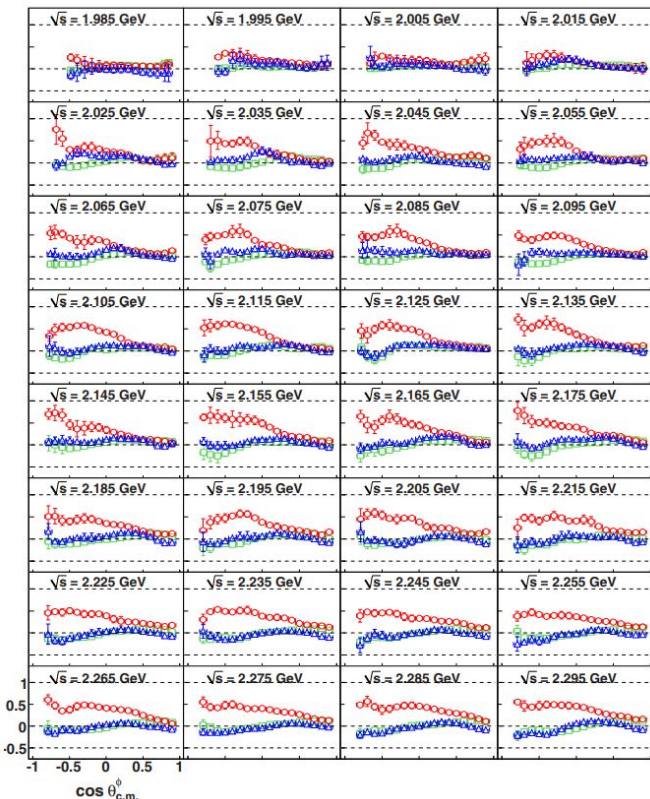
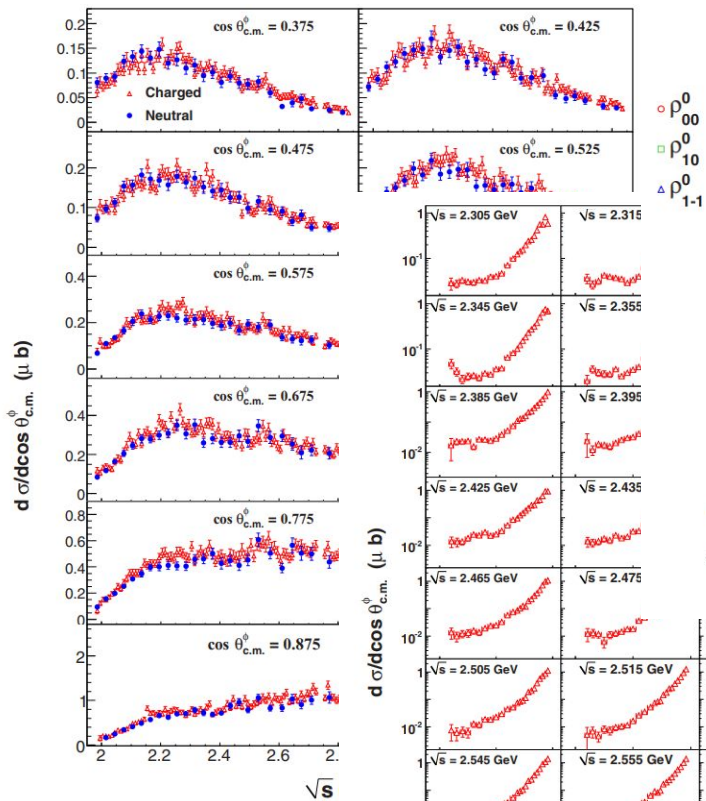
H-Y Rui et al [PTEP 2014 (2014) 023D03]



CLAS [Phys.Rev.C 89 (2014) 5, 055208]



# A TON OF DATA



# Full K-matrix analysis

Possibility to study coupled channels, nearby bound states, etc in considering all spins and helicity dependence.

On going but very preliminary, still trying to understand gauge-invariance structure...

$$\begin{aligned}l_1^{\mu\nu} &= P^\mu [(P \cdot q) k^\nu - (k \cdot q) P^\nu] \quad , & l_7^{\mu\nu} &= q^\mu \gamma^\nu \not{q} \quad , \\l_2^{\mu\nu} &= (k \cdot q) g^{\mu\nu} - q^\mu k^\nu \quad , & l_8^{\mu\nu} &= P^\mu \gamma^\nu \not{q} \quad , \\l_3^{\mu\nu} &= (P \cdot q) g^{\mu\nu} - q^\mu P^\nu \quad , & l_9^{\mu\nu} &= \gamma^\mu [(P \cdot q) k^\nu - (k \cdot q) P^\nu] \\l_4^{\mu\nu} &= g^{\mu\nu} \not{q} - q^\mu \gamma^\nu \quad , & l_{10}^{\mu\nu} &= \gamma^\mu [(k \cdot q) \gamma^\nu - k^\nu \not{q}] \quad , \\l_5^{\mu\nu} &= [(q \cdot P) g^{\mu\nu} - q^\mu P^\nu] \not{q} \quad , & l_{11}^{\mu\nu} &= \gamma^\mu [(P \cdot q) \gamma^\nu - P^\nu \not{q}] \\l_6^{\mu\nu} &= P^\mu [P^\nu \not{q} - (q \cdot P) \gamma^\nu] & l_{12}^{\mu\nu} &= \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \not{q} \quad ,\end{aligned}$$

Hope to have some cool results in the coming months

**Thank you :)**