

High Energy Behavior of Light Meson Photoproduction & Quark Counting Rule

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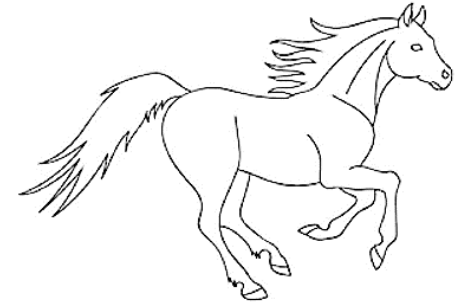


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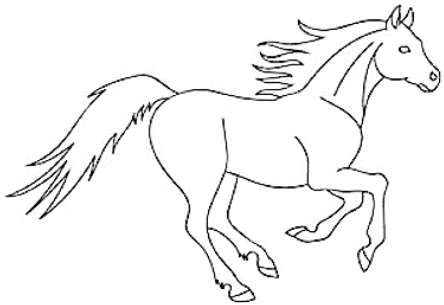
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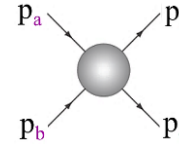
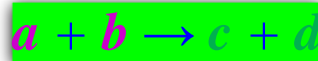
Quark Counting Rule

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Sudakov FF



- Binary reactions in *QCD* with large momentum transfer involve *quark* & *gluon* exchanges between colliding particles.
- *QCR* of *Brodsky-Farrar* & *Matveev-Muradyan-Tavkhelidze* have simple recipe to predict energy dependence of differential cross sections of *two-body* reactions



@ large *production* or *scattering* angles when t/s is *finite* & is kept *constant*.

S.J. Brodsky & G.R. Farrar, Phys Rev Lett **31**, 1153 (1973)

CI = 1,873

V.A. Matveev, R.M. Muradian, & A.N. Tavkhelidze, Lett Nuovo Cim **7**, 719 (1973)

CI = 1,166



- Fixed angle (90°) for *production* or *scattering* behavior for exclusive processes is expected to be

$$d\sigma/dt(s) \propto s^{-(n-2)}$$

where n is number of constituents: $(n-2) = (n_a + n_b) + (n_c + n_d) - 2$



$$s + t + u = m_a^2 + m_b^2 + m_c^2 + m_d^2$$

- **Condition** is large s with large $|t|$ & $|u|$ => optimal angle $\theta = 90^\circ$

- Recall that in order to provide *exclusivity* of *hard* scattering, we have to **balance large transferred momentum** between all *quarks* in *hadron*.
- This means that in order to get maximum contribution, we have to consider *Fock* components of hadron wave function with *minimum number* of *quarks*.
 - Moreover, these quarks should be close to each other.
 - Small *q-q* separation provides possibility to better balance momenta between quarks.
- These **two** conditions are based elements of *QCR* expression $d\sigma/dt(s) \propto s^{-(n-2)}$.
 - In *Matveev-Muradian-Tavkhelidze* approach, authors considered just probability to find quarks sufficiently close to each other
 - In *Brodsky-Farrar* approach, balance of quark momenta was reached via exchanged of additional gluon between quarks. Since virtuality of this gluon is large it means that again we consider configuration with short-range *q-q* configuration.



Sudakov Form Factor



- *QCR* accounts for minimum numbers of elementary hard processes needed to provide large momentum transfer to hadron.

- @ very large energies, this *QCR* is modified by so-called *Sudakov FF*.

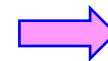
Yu.L. Dokshitzer, D.I. Diakonov, & S.I. Troian, Phys. Rep. **58**, 269 (1980)

Yu.L. Dokshitzer, V.A. Khoze, A.H. Mueller, & S.I. Troian, *Basics of Perturbative QCD*, Edition Frontieres (Singapore, 1991)

- It is very improbable that two ensembles of constituents can get strong transverse kick & radiate no gluons.
- Of course, probability of new gluon emission is suppressed by *QCD* coupling constant α_s , but simultaneously it can be enhanced by large $\ln^2 s$.
- *Probability* not to emit any additional *gluons* is called *Sudakov FF*.
- For very large s , we expect that cross section of large angle *hadron-hadron* scattering should fall down with s faster than *QCR* prediction.

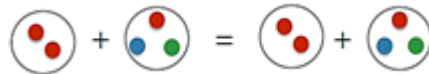
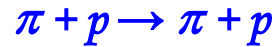
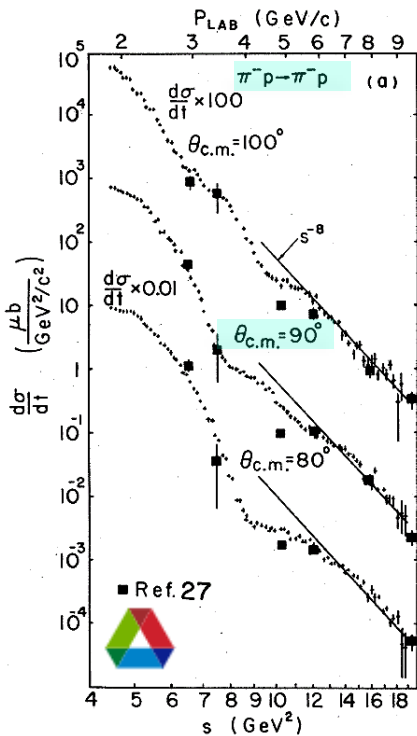
• In *hadron* case, *Sudakov FF* works as was theoretically shown in [J. Botts & G. F. Sterman, Phys Lett B **224**, 201 (1989)]

• Theoretically was shown in [G.R. Farrar, G.F. Sterman, & H. Zhang, Phys Rev Lett **62**, 2229 (1989)] that due to *point-like* nature of *photon*, *Sudakov FF* is *absent* in case of *large angle meson photoproduction*.



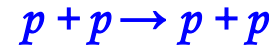
$$d\sigma/dt(s) \propto s^{-(n-2)}$$

- For *hadron-proton* interaction, **QCR** works well, where hadron is *pion*, *kaon*, *proton*, or *antiproton*.



$$(n-2) = (2+3) + (2+3) - 2 = 8$$

$$d\sigma/dt(s) \propto s^{-8}$$

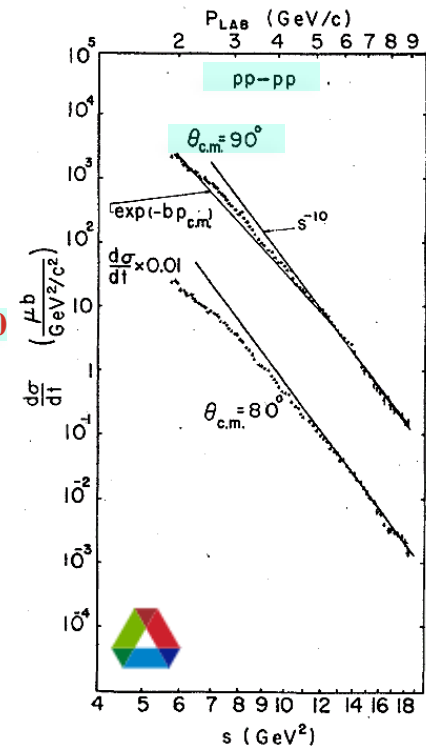


$$(n-2) = (3+3) + (3+3) - 2 = 10$$

$$d\sigma/dt(s) \propto s^{-10}$$

K.A. Jenkins *et al.* Phys Rev D **21**, 2445 (1980)

Process	Constituent power	Experimental power	Range \sqrt{s}
$\gamma N \rightarrow \pi^+ N$	7	7.3 ± 0.3 [54]	2.8-3.8
$K_L^0 p \rightarrow K_L^0 p$	8	8.5 ± 1.4 [56]	2.2-3.4
$\bar{K}_0^0 p \rightarrow \pi^+ \Lambda$	8	7.4 ± 1.4 [56]	2.0-4.0
$\bar{K}_0^0 p \rightarrow \pi^+ \Sigma^0$	8	8.1 ± 1.4 [56]	2.3-3.4
$K^+ p \rightarrow K^+ p$	8	7 ± 1 [55]	2.0-3.6
$\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^- p$	8	8 ± 1 [57]	2.0-4.1
$\pi^+ p \rightarrow \pi^+ p$	8	7 ± 1 [55]	2.0-3.5
$pp \rightarrow pp$	10	9.7 ± 0.5	(2.5-6.1)
$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{p}p$	10		

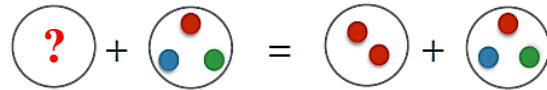


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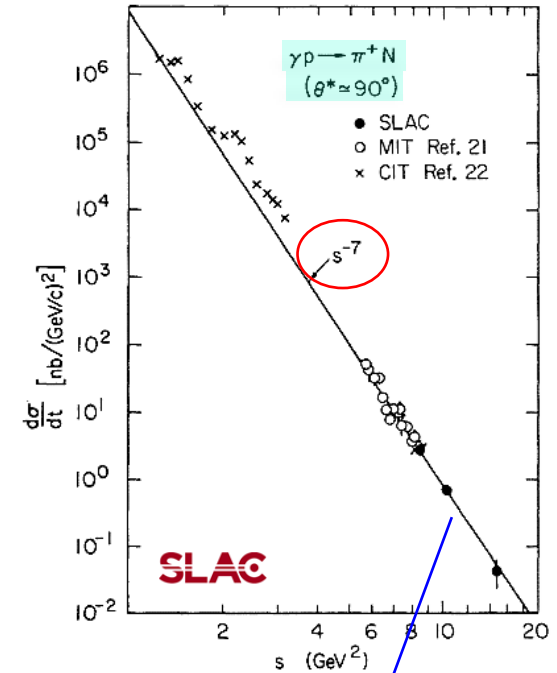


QCR for Meson Photoproduction

$$\gamma + p \rightarrow \mathcal{M} + \mathcal{B}$$



$$(n - 2) = (? + 3) + (2 + 3) - 2 = ?$$



R.L. Anderson *et al.* Phys Rev D **14**, 679 (1976)

- There are *three* options of how one can consider *photon* in γN interaction:

- No constituents ($n_\gamma = 0$) & $d\sigma/dt(s) \propto s^{-6}$.
- Photon is *point-like* particle which participated in strong interaction ($n_\gamma = 1$) & $d\sigma/dt(s) \propto s^{-7}$.
- There is *q-bar-q* configuration which participated in interaction ($n_\gamma = 2$) & $d\sigma/dt(s) \propto s^{-8}$.

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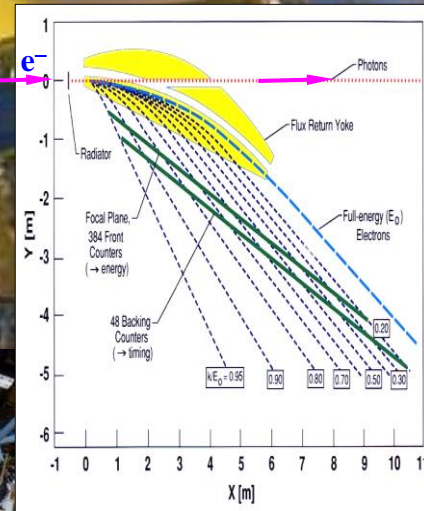


*Brief Tour through CLAS
Light Meson Photoproduction
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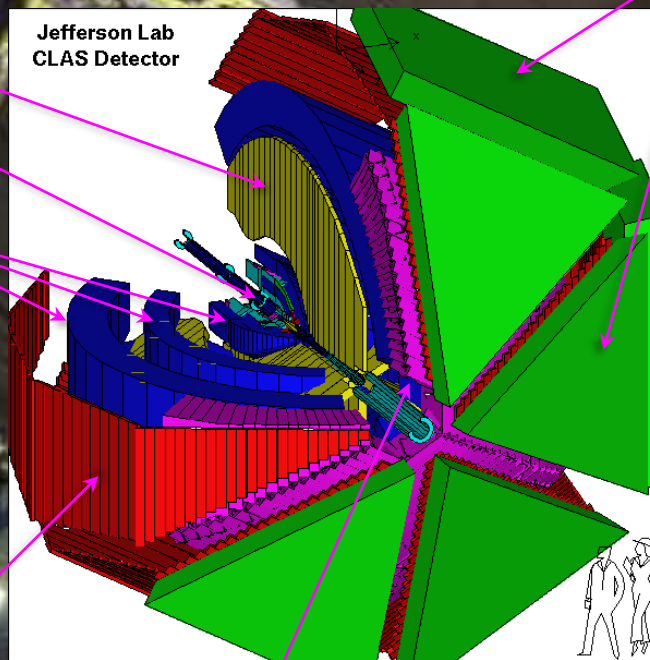


CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer 1997-2012

Bremsstrahlung Photon Tagger
384 E & 61 T Counters



Electromagnetic Calorimeters
Lead/Scintillator, 1296 PMTs



Torus Magnet
6 Superconducting Coils

Target + Start Counter

Drift Chambers
35,000 cells



Time-of-Flight Counters
Plastic Scintillators, 684 PMTs

Gas Cherenkov Counters
 e/π separation, 256 PMTs

B.A. Mecking *et al.* Nucl Inst Meth A **503**, 513 (2003)

CLAS Light Meson Photoproduction Measurements off Nucleon



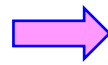
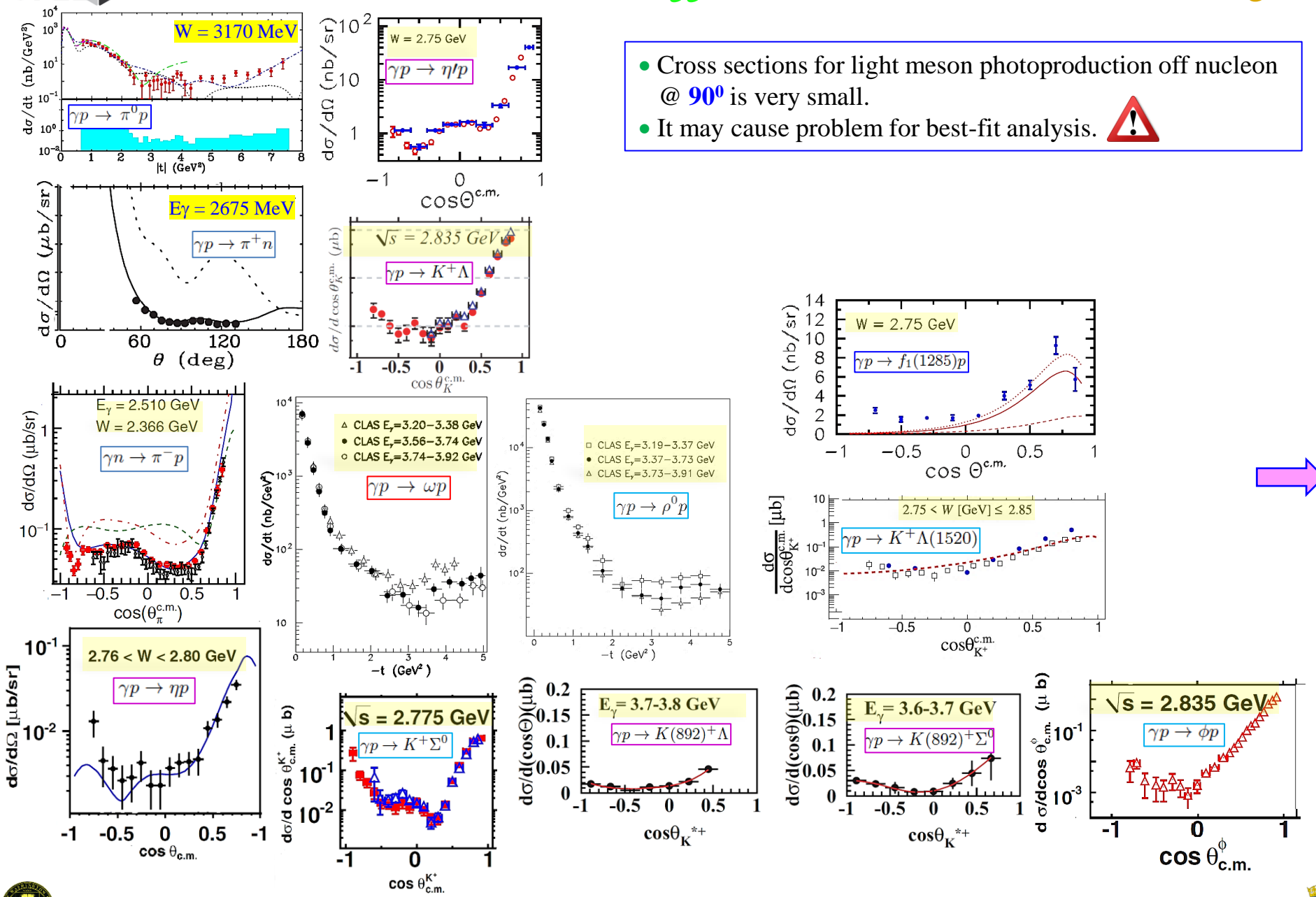
- **Two decades** of **JLab6 Era** has ended leaving in its wake **plethora** of cross section measurements for **light meson** photoproduction off **nucleon**. Most of them by **CLAS Collaboration** & **$s < 11 \text{ GeV}^2$** .

26 paper [2001 – 2021] with **CI** \approx **2000**

- There is **unique** opportunity to **bridge resonance** & **high-energy** regions, in particular, that encompassing region in which **Regge** theory is applicable, & evaluate **QCR** phenomenology with differential cross sections **above** resonance energies.



• Cross sections for light meson photoproduction off nucleon @ 90° is very small.
 • It may cause problem for best-fit analysis.



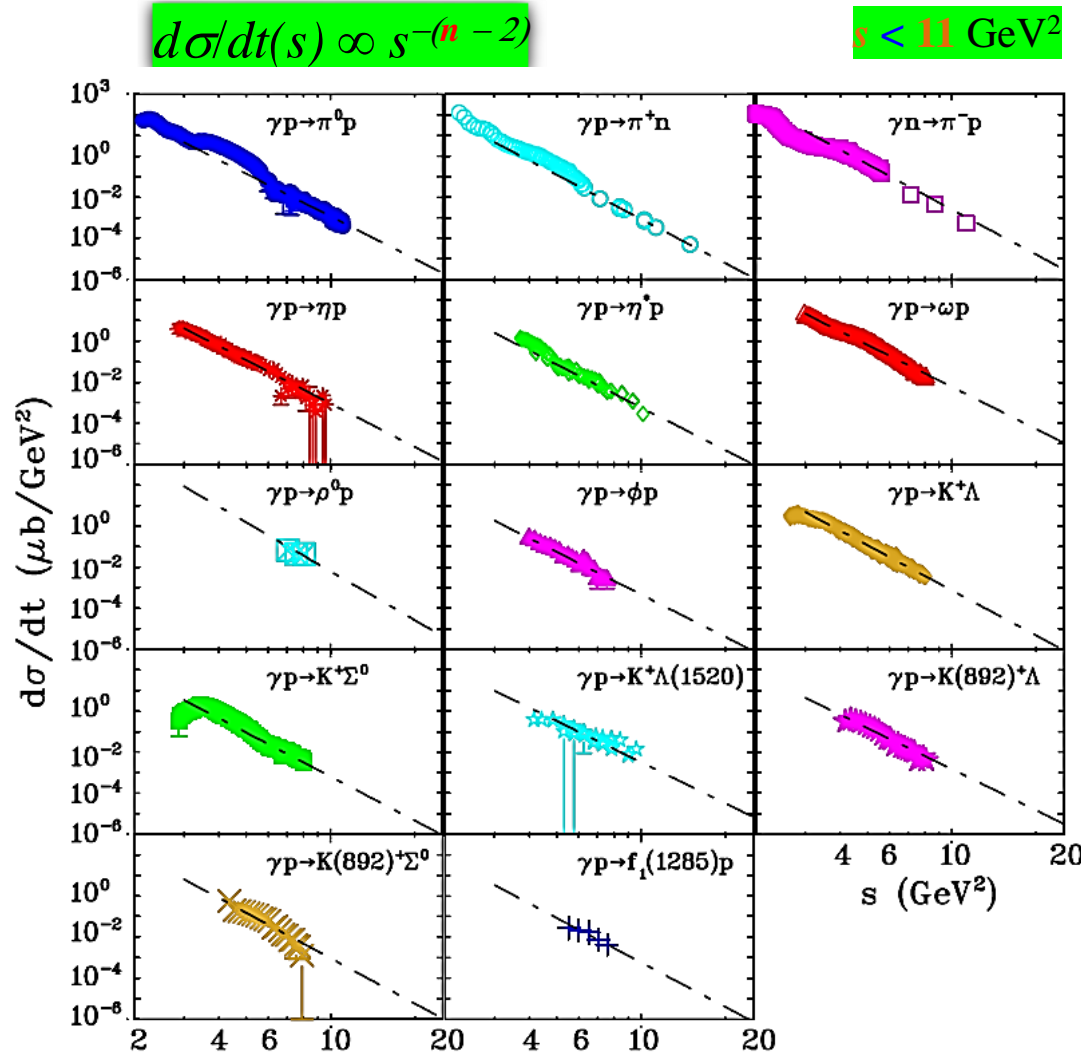
QCR
for Light Meson Photoproduction



Power Factor for Light Meson Photoproduction off Nucleon from

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M.J. Amaryan, W.J. Briscoe, M.G. Ryskin, & IIS, arXiv:2102.03633



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$$d\sigma/dt(s) \propto s^{-(n-2)}$$

Pseudoscalar
Mesons



Vector
Mesons



Reaction	s (GeV ²)	t (GeV ²)	(n-2)	Ref.
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 p$	5.9–11.1	2.1–4.7	6.89±0.26	[21]
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ n$	6.3–14.9	2.3–6.6	7.14±0.22	[12, 15, 29]
$\gamma n \rightarrow \pi^- p$	4.0–11.3	0.2–4.6	7.29±0.14	[15, 30]
$\gamma p \rightarrow \eta p$	3.2–9.6	0.6–3.8	7.02±0.16	[31]
$\gamma p \rightarrow \eta' p$	4.2–9.3	0.8–2.6	6.92±0.22	[32–34]
$\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda$	4.0–8.0	0.3–2.9	7.28±0.06	[37]
$\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Sigma^0$	5.2–8.0	0.3–2.8	7.12±0.21	[38]
$\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda(1520)$	4.8–7.8	0.9–3.2	6.65±0.41	[39, 40]
$\gamma p \rightarrow \omega p$	3.5–8.1	0.3–2.9	6.80±0.11	[16, 35]
$\gamma p \rightarrow \omega p$	5.0–8.1	0.3–2.9	8.80±0.06 ^a	[16, 35]
$\gamma p \rightarrow \rho^0 p$	7.0–8.0	2.3–2.9	7.9±0.3 ^b	[14]
$\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p$	4.0–7.5	0.6–2.4	6.86±0.22	[36]
$\gamma p \rightarrow K(892)^+ \Lambda$	4.2–8.1	0.7–2.6	6.65±0.38	[41]
$\gamma p \rightarrow K(892)^+ \Sigma^0$	4.3–7.9	0.7–2.4	7.34±0.45	[41]
$\gamma p \rightarrow f_1(1285) p$	6.0–7.6	1.2–2.0	7.19±0.96	[33]

$s < 11$ GeV²

For π^+ , we added *Hall A* & *SLAC* data

} There is sensitivity to *s* range of analysis.

For ρ^0 , result came from PRL2001



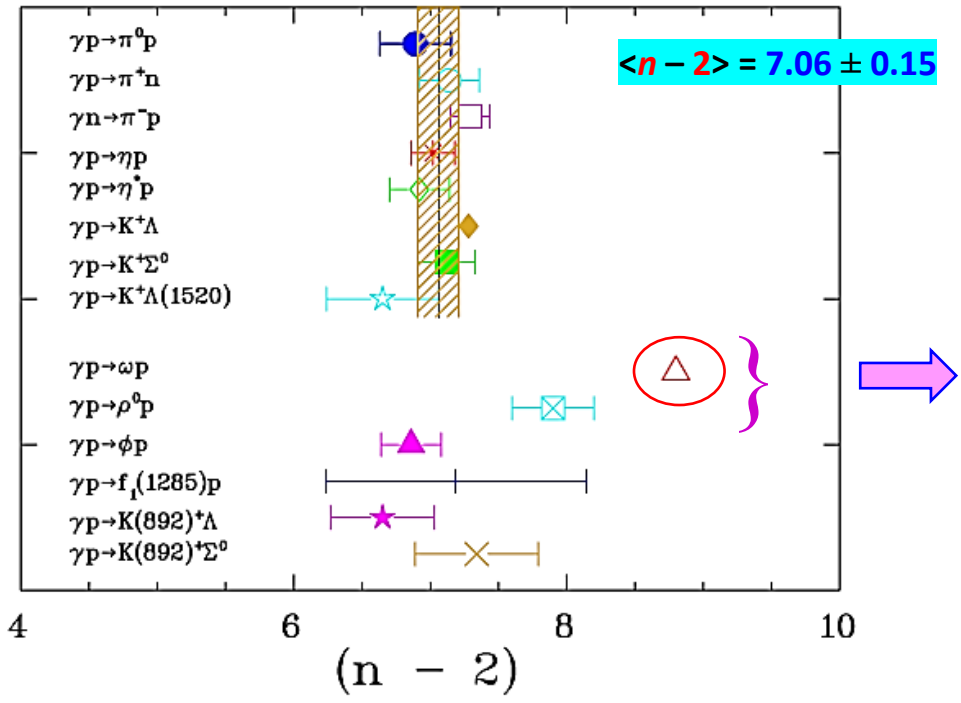
Point-like Nature of Photon in γN Interaction

M.J. Amaryan, W.J. Briscoe, M.G. Ryskin, & IIS, arXiv:2102.03633

$$d\sigma/dt(s) \propto s^{-(n-2)}$$

Pseudoscalar
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- Thanks to point-like nature of photon in γN interaction.
- Thus, our phenomenological result confirms QCR in processes where there is no Sudakov correction.

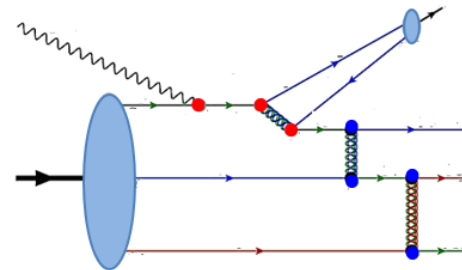
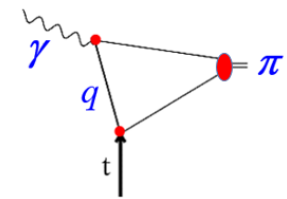


Power Factor for ω & ρ Photoproduction off Nucleon

- Due to *vector* nature of ω & ρ mesons in order to form spin part of corresponding wave function, we have to *violate s-channel helicity conservation*.
- Therefore, we have to expect additional suppression of 90° high energy photoproduction.

• For case of ω & ρ mesons:

- Without helicity non-conservation, expected $n_\gamma = 1$ & $(n - 2) = 7$
- Accounting for helicity non-conservation, expected $n_\gamma = 2$ & $(n - 2) = 8$
- Accounting for helicity non-conservation, expected $n_\gamma = 3$ & $(n - 2) = 9$



- Thus, one can say that observed energy dependence of ω & ρ cross section behavior @ larger s is consistent with *QCR*.

CLAS Data: Partial Evaluation

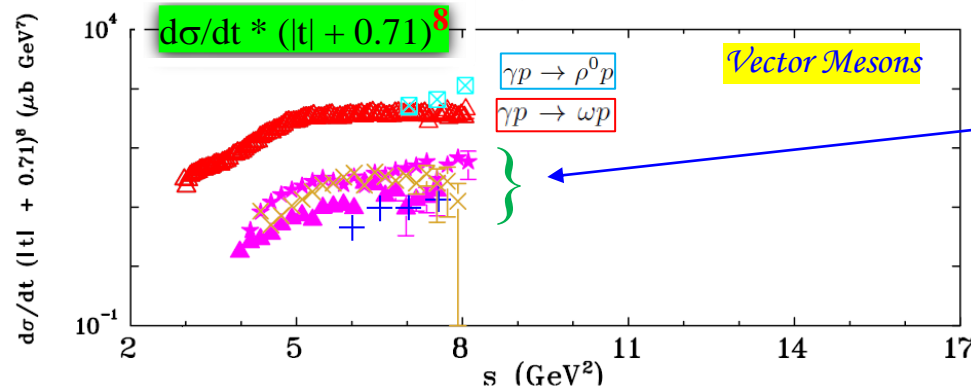
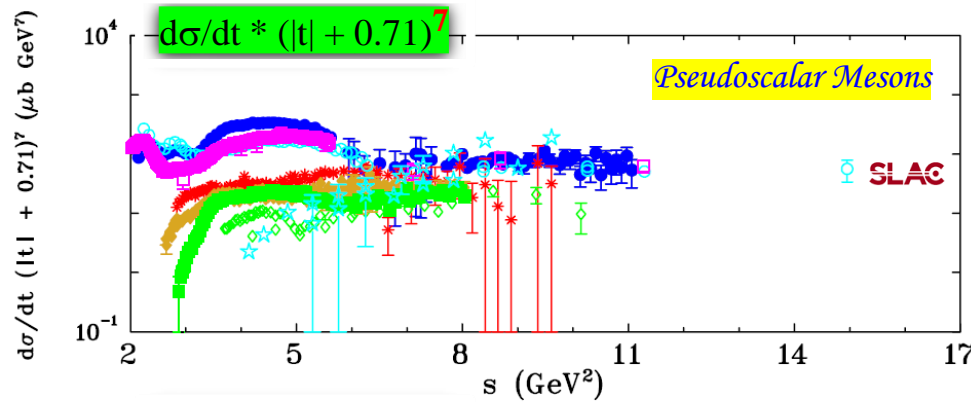


- Accuracy & dispersion of data is better seen here than on pg. 14.
- It demonstrates possible role of "infrared cutoff" ($t - 0.71$) in this energy interval.

- Since we consider not very large s , we have to discuss possible power corrections to QCR .
- Unfortunately, corresponding power corrections are closely related to *nonPerturbative* structure of incoming hadrons.
- Therefore, we evaluate possible role/scale of power corrections based on well known dipole behavior of proton **QED FF**,

$$G(t) = 1 / (1 - t/0.71)^2$$

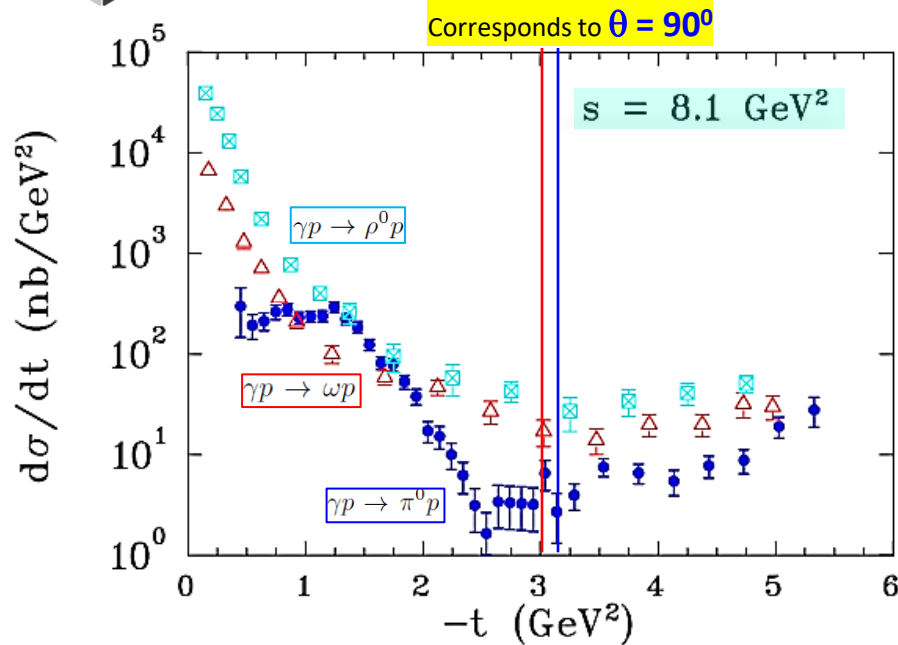
which describes all four-momentum dependencies of both *electric & magnetic FFs* of proton quite well, where constant **0.71 GeV²** determines scale of correction in comparison with asymptotic behavior $G(t) = 1/t^2$.



- ϕ , $f_1(1285)$, & $K(892)^+$ cross sections are close to each other & lie significantly below other mesons plateau.
- It may indicate common mechanism of their production.

Light Meson Photoproduction off Nucleon from CLAS

M.J. Amarian, W.J. Briscoe, M.G. Ryskin, & IIS, arXiv:2102.03633



M. Battaglieri *et al.* Phys Rev Lett **87**, 172002 (2001)



M. Williams *et al.* Phys Rev C **80**, 065208 (2009)



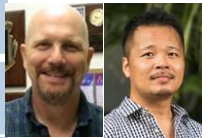
M. Kunkel *et al.* Phys Rev C **98**, 015207 (2018)



- For lower values of $|t|$, $d\sigma/dt$ of ω & ρ^0 photoproduction is order of magnitude higher than that of π^0 , for higher values of $|t|$, ω & ρ^0 photoproduction $d\sigma/dt$ is little bit higher.
- $d\sigma/dt(t)$ for light meson photoproduction off nucleon @ 90° is *minimal*.



Meson	(n-2)	s (GeV ²)	Reference
ρ^0	7.9 ± 0.3	7.0 – 8.0	M. Battaglieri <i>et al.</i> PRL 87 , 172002 (2001)
$K^+\Lambda$	7.1 ± 0.1	5.0 – 8.5	R. Schumacher & M. Sargsian, PRC 83 , 025207 (2011)
$K^+\Lambda$	7	6.3 – 8.1	B. Dey, PRD 90 , 014013 (2014)
$K^+\Sigma$	7	6.3 – 8.1	B. Dey, PRD 90 , 014013 (2014)
η'	7	6.3 – 7.8	B. Dey, PRD 90 , 014013 (2014)
η	12.7 ± 1.2	6.4 – 7.8	B. Dey, PRD 90 , 014013 (2014)
ϕ	12.3 ± 0.6	6.3 – 8.1	B. Dey, PRD 90 , 014013 (2014)
$\omega \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	9.4 ± 0.1	6.3 – 8.1	B. Dey, PRD 90 , 014013 (2014)
[BR = 89.3%]	9.08 ± 0.11	5 – 8	T. Reed <i>et al.</i> arXiv: 2005.13067
	7.2 ± 0.7	7.1 – 8.1	M. Battaglieri <i>et al.</i> PRL 90 , 022002 (2003)
}	6.80 ± 0.11	3.5 – 8.1	M.J. Amaryan <i>et al.</i> , arXiv:2102.03633
	8.80 ± 0.06	5.0 – 8.1	M.J. Amaryan <i>et al.</i> , arXiv:2102.03633



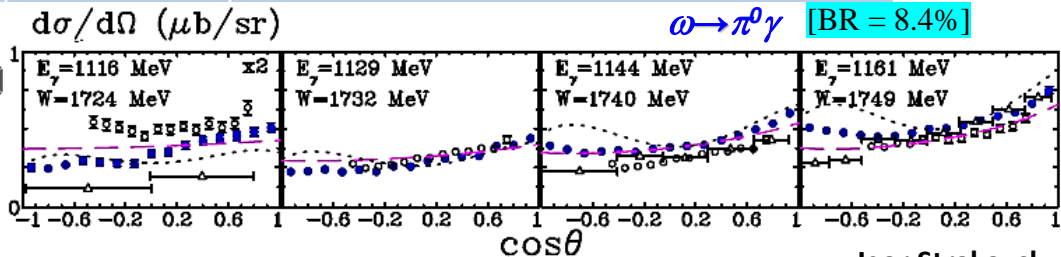
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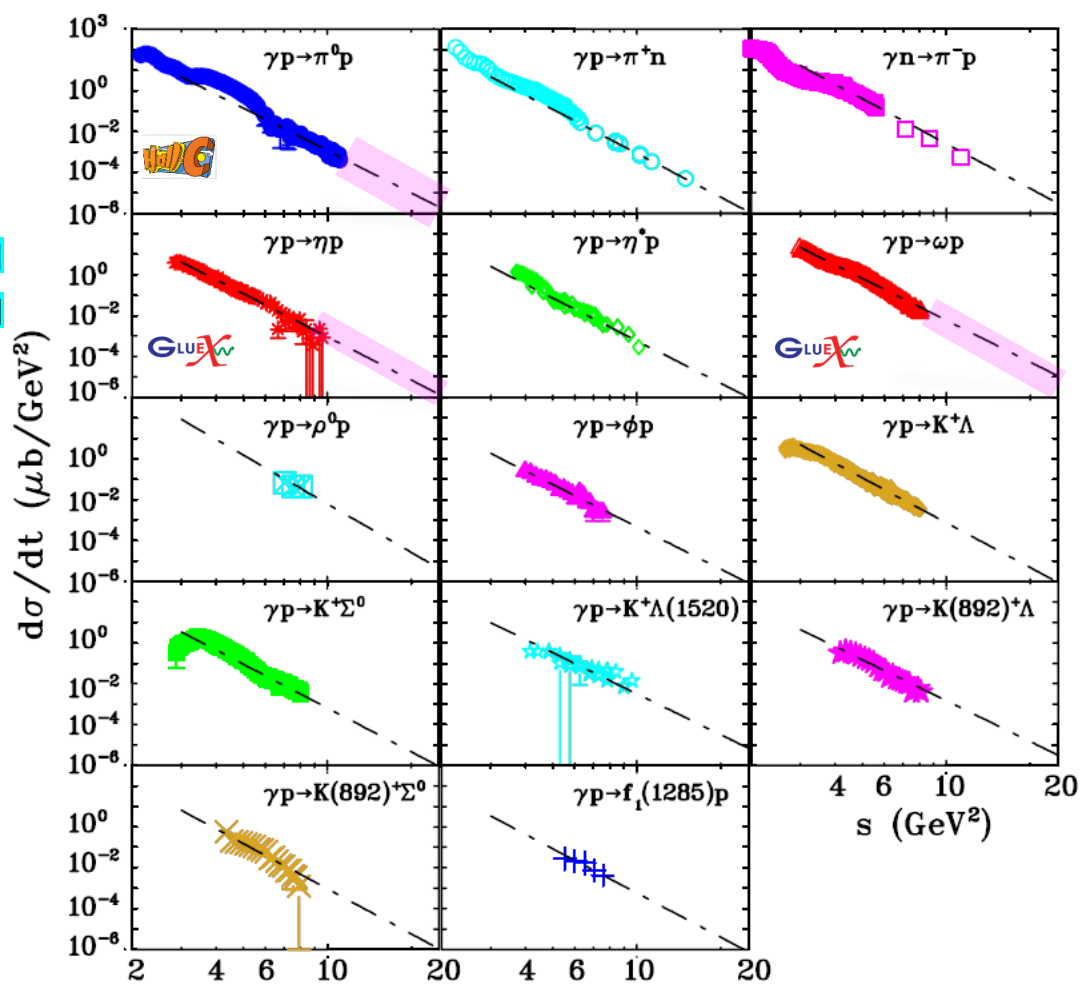


*Brief Tour through
Future
GlueX & Hall C Experiments*



Expectation for Power Factor for Light Meson Photoproduction off Nucleon

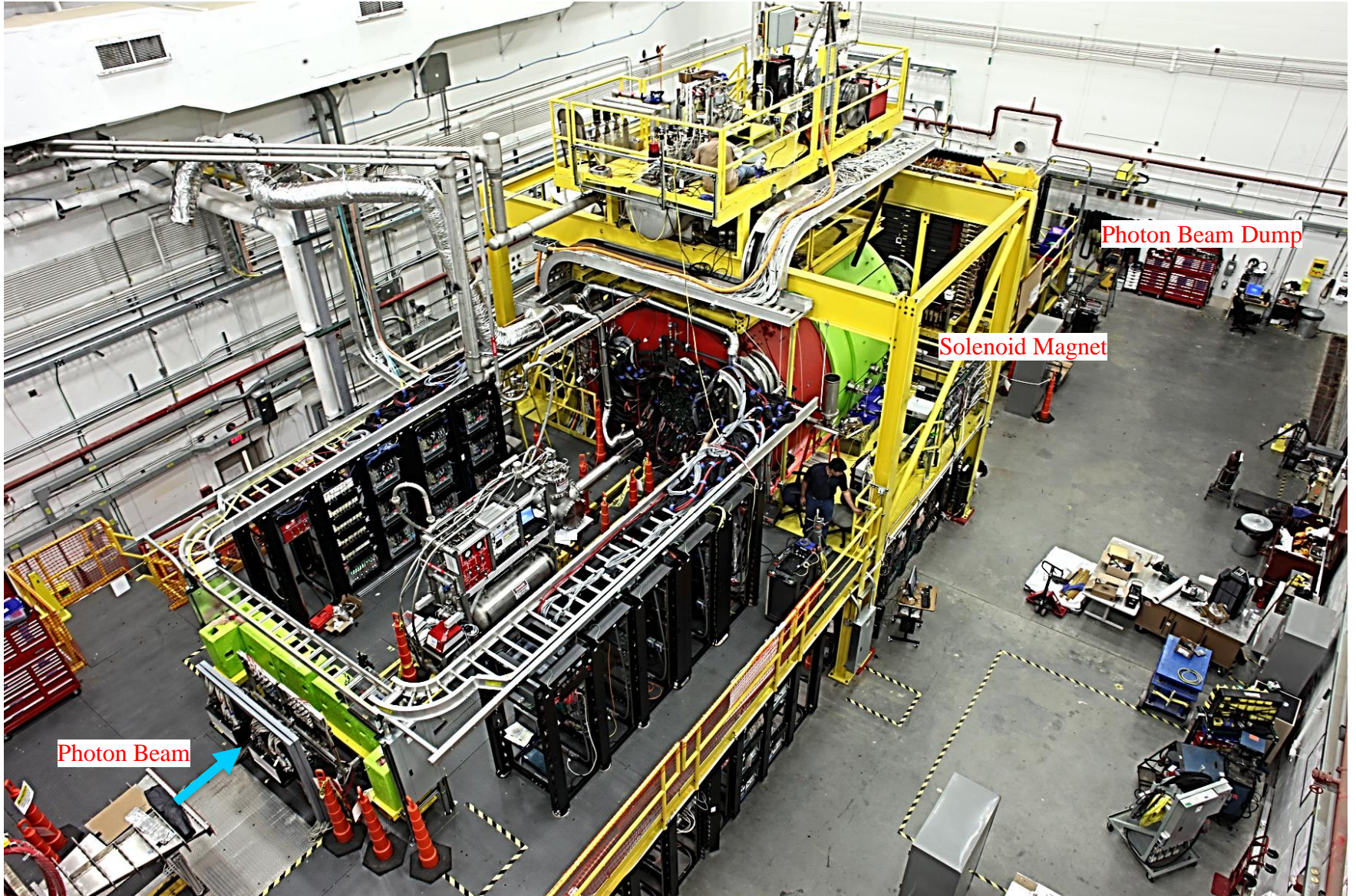
• From $s = 11 \text{ GeV}^2$ to $s = 21 \text{ GeV}^2$, $d\sigma/dt(90^\circ)$ drops down by factor of 10^4 .



$\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ [BR = 22.9%]
 $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$ [BR = 39.4%]

$\omega \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ [BR = 89.3%]
 $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$ [BR = 8.4%]

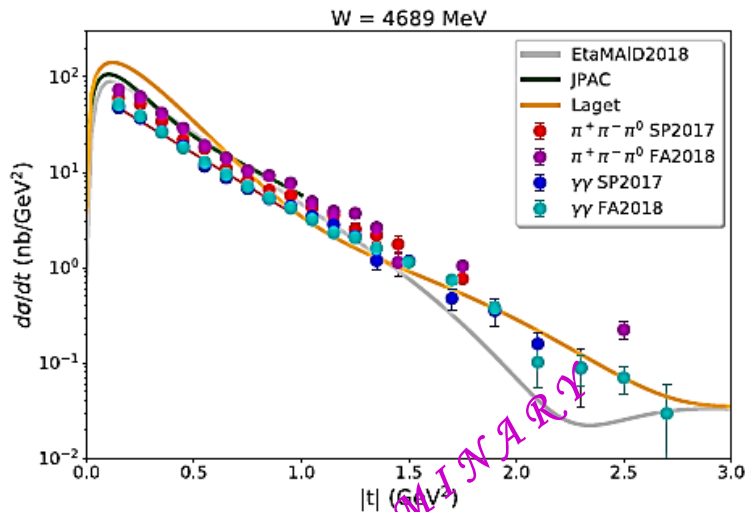




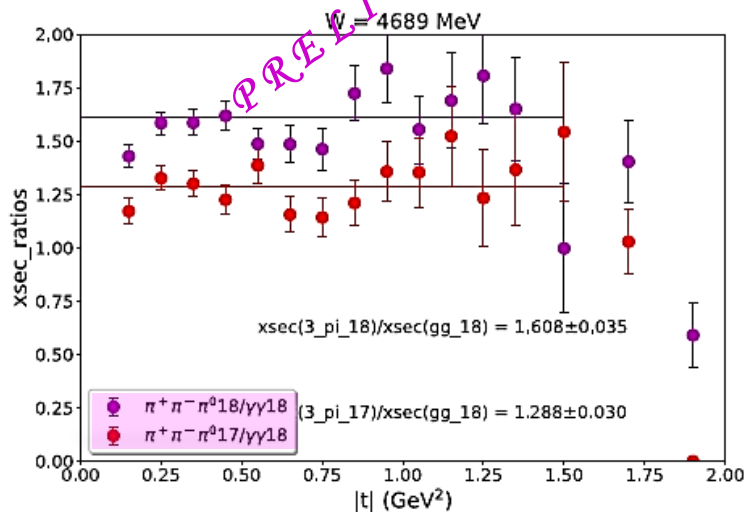
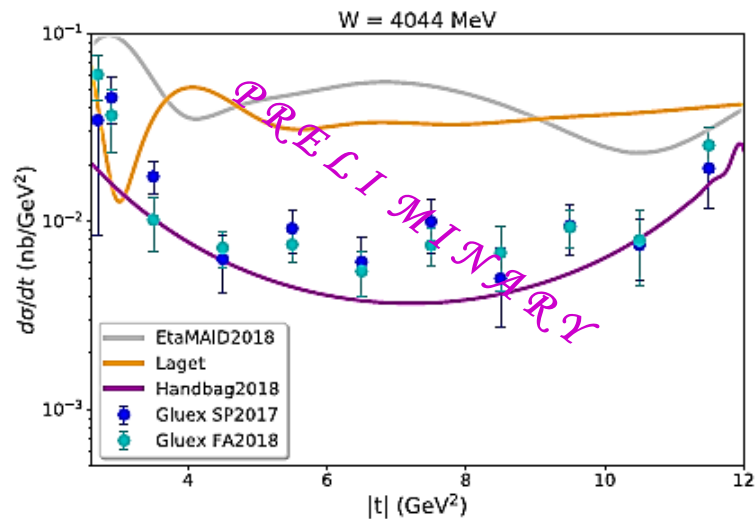
Photon Beam Dump

Solenoid Magnet

Photon Beam



$s = 12.6 - 21.9 \text{ GeV}^2$



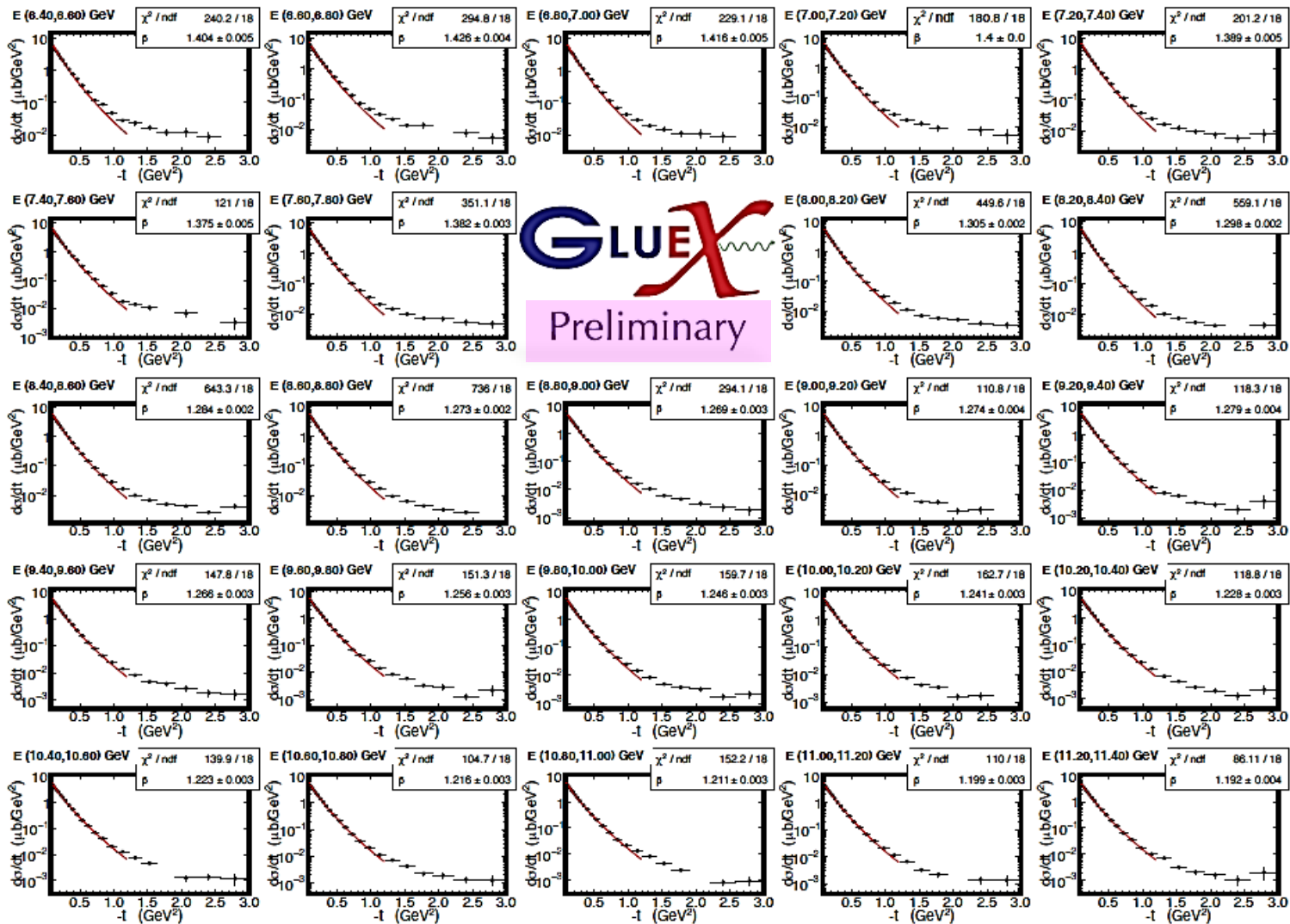
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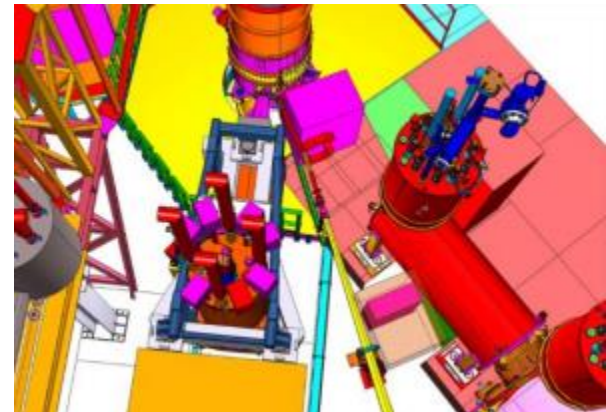
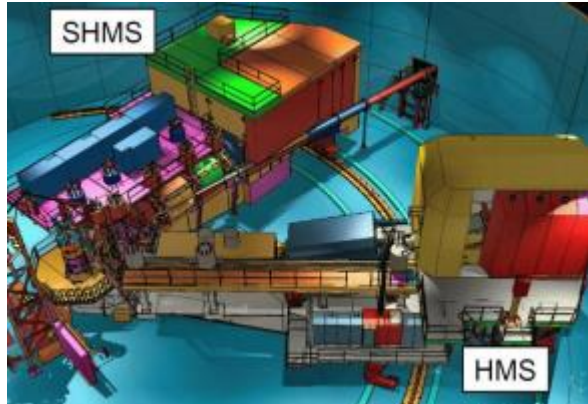


GlueX Differential Cross Sections for $\gamma p \rightarrow \omega p$

$s = 6.5 - 22.6 \text{ GeV}^2$

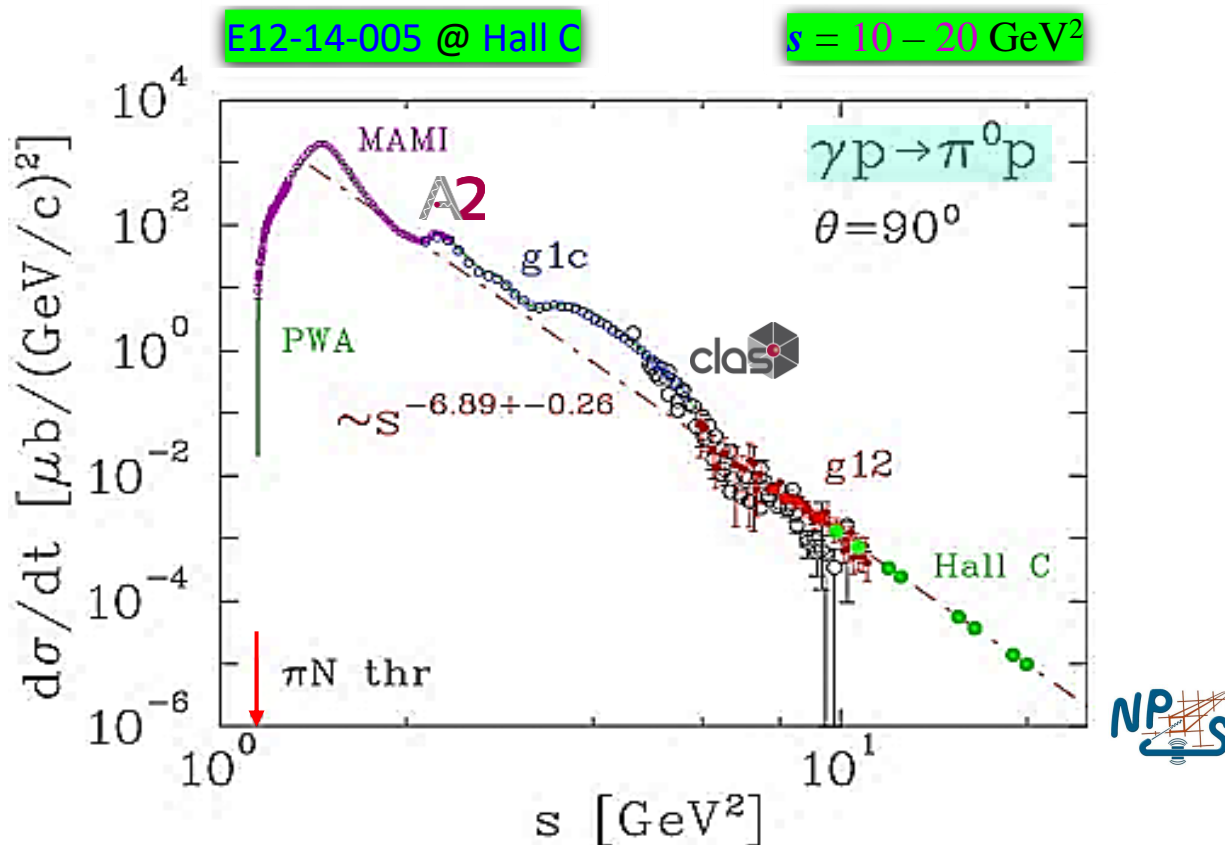
Stamp plots, $\omega \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$, 50% of GlueX phase 1







Wide Angle Exclusive Photoproduction of π^0 Mesons



Wide angle exclusive photoproduction of π^0 mesons.
 Spokespersons: D. Dutta, H. Gao, S. Sirca, M. Amaryan, M. Kunkel, & IIS
 [RCS and NPS Collaborations], JLab Proposal E12-14-005.



Summary



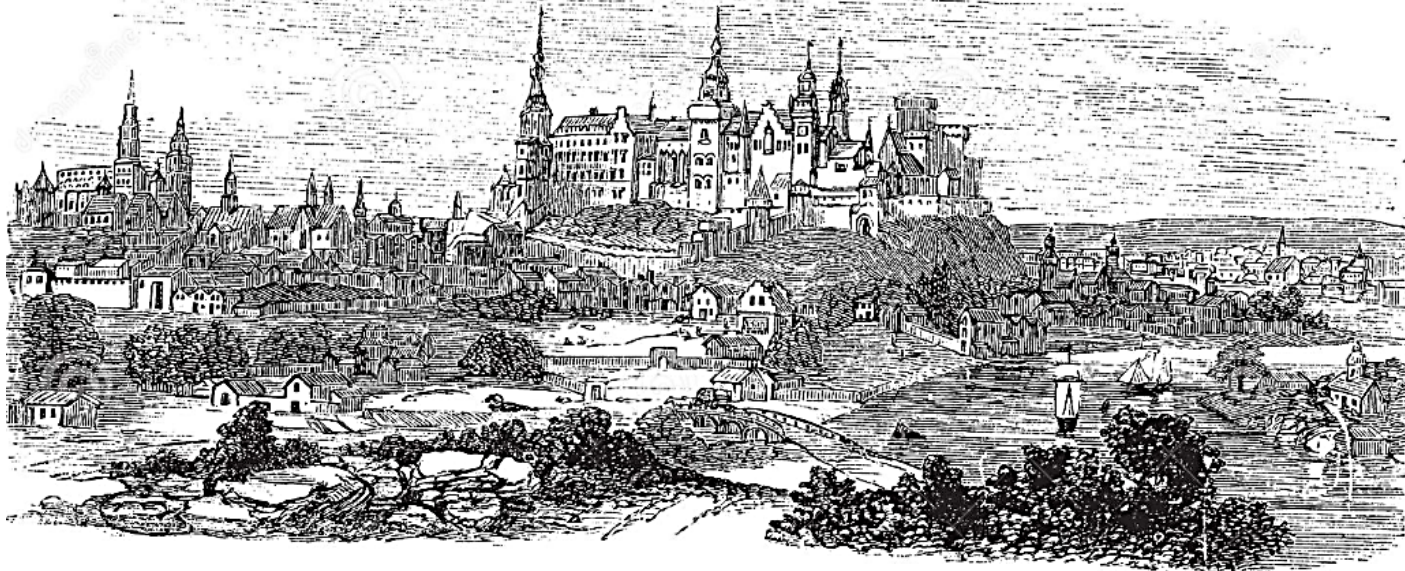


SUMMARY

- We studied energy dependence of 90° *pseudoscalar* & *vector meson photoproduction* off *nucleon*.
 - We evaluated practically all available experimental data obtained by CLAS Collaboration over more than last **two** decades & compare results with *QCR* predictions.
- We found that one can consider *photon* in γN interaction as *point-like* particle.
 - We emphasized that in case of photoproduction, *QCR* prediction does not affected by *Sudakov FF*.
- Obviously, JLab6 program is limited by $s \simeq 11 \text{ GeV}^2$.
 - Within JLab12 program, Hall C (π^0 will come), GlueX (η & ω are coming), & CLAS12 can extend measurements up to $s \simeq 21 \text{ GeV}^2$.



SUMMARY



Thanks

Any Question?

