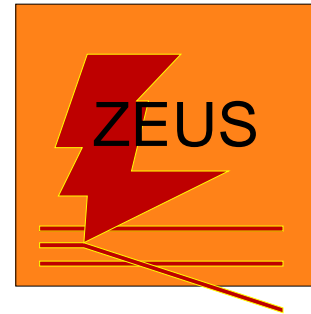


On behalf of H1 and ZEUS Collaborations



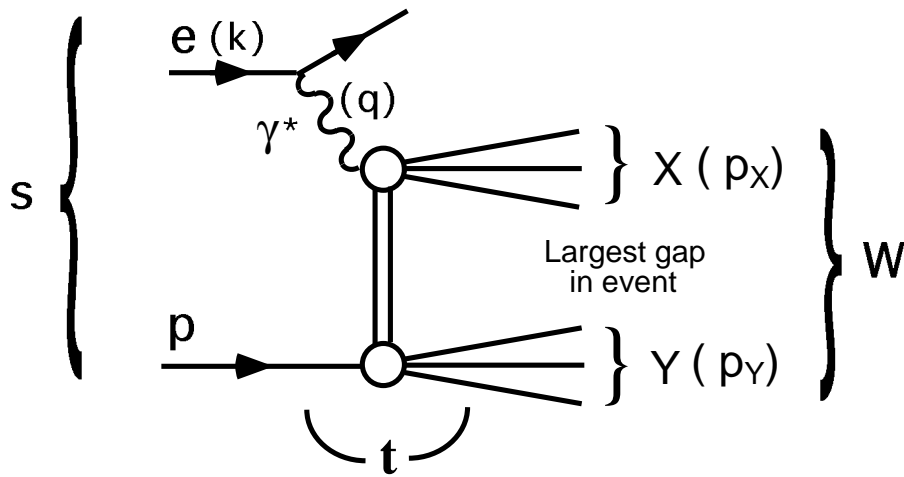
## Deeply virtual Compton scattering and vector mesons production at ZEUS and H1 experiments

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Diffraction:  $e + p \rightarrow e + X + Y$

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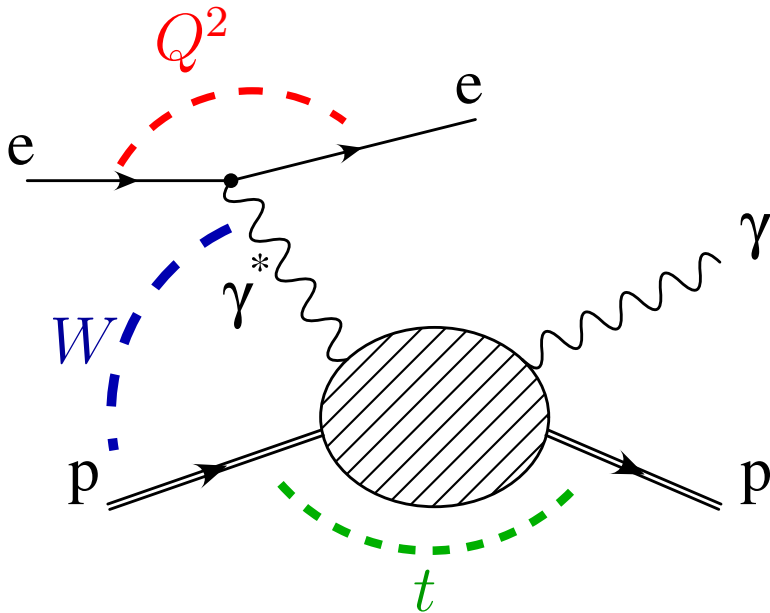
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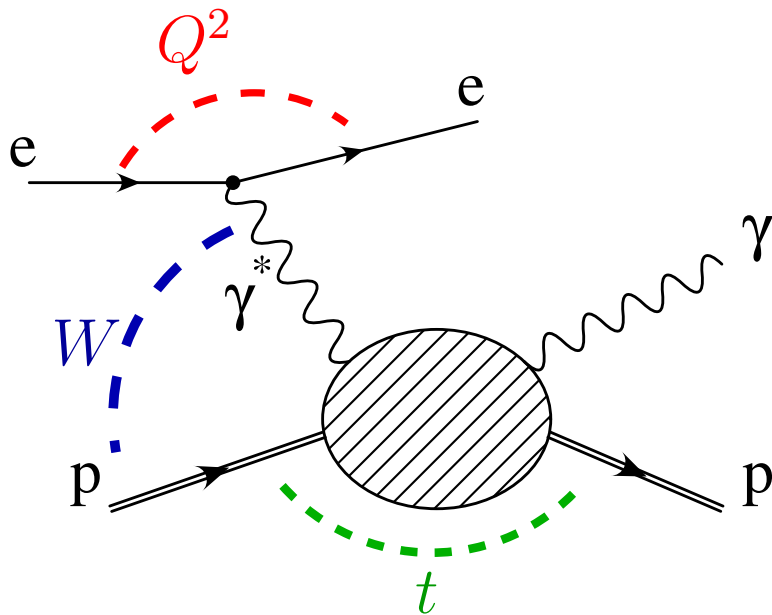
$Q^2$  : virtuality at which the proton is probed

$W$  : energy in the  $\gamma^*p$  center of mass system

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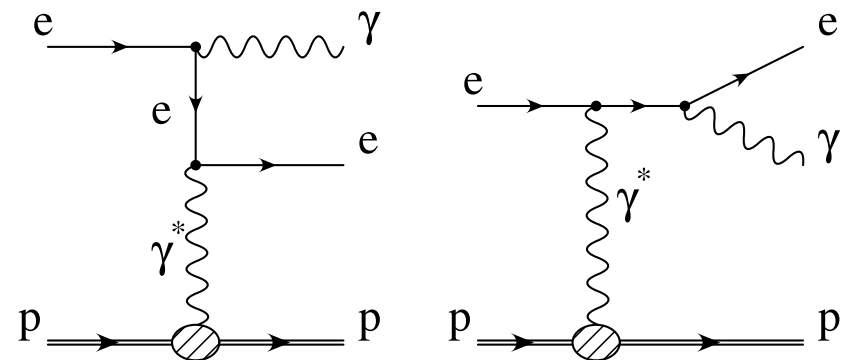
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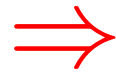
(→ Access to Amplitudes in Asymmetries)



# DVCS - QCD predictions

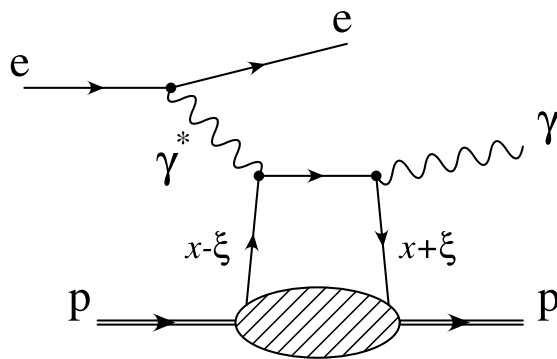
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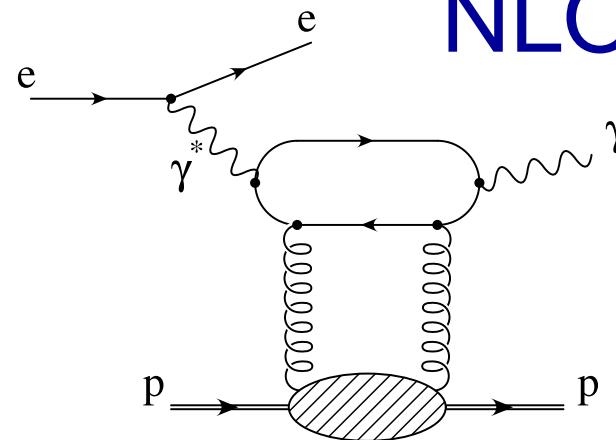


DVCS amplitude factorise in a pQCD calculable hard scattering part and a non-perturbative part describing the internal dynamics of the proton

LO



NLO



$\xi$  - "Skewedness", i.e. momentum difference between emitted and absorbed parton

→ need to use the GPD formalism to describe DVCS

( GPDs encodes info about transverse motion of partons and about their correlations )

# DVCS - QCD predictions

4 types of GPD:

	proton helicity conserved	allow proton helicity flip
unpolarized	$H^{q,g}(x, \xi, t; \mu^2)$	$E^{q,g}(x, \xi, t; \mu^2)$
polarized	$\tilde{H}^{q,g}(x, \xi, t; \mu^2)$	$\tilde{E}^{q,g}(x, \xi, t; \mu^2)$

At low  $x$ , DVCS is mainly sensitive to  $H^g(x, \xi, t; \mu^2)$

NLO leading twist calcl. by A. Freund and M. McDermott  
Eur. Phys. J. C23 (2002) 651

DGLAP region ( $|x| > \xi$ ):

$$\begin{array}{l} H^{q,g}(x, \xi, t; \mu^2) \\ \tilde{H}^{q,g}(x, \xi, t; \mu^2) \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} \\ \xrightarrow{\xi \rightarrow 0} \end{array} \begin{array}{l} q(x), g(x) \\ \Delta q(x), \Delta g(x) \end{array}$$

ERBL region ( $|x| < \xi$ ):

Simple analytic functions

$t$  dependence:

parametrised as  $e^{-t}$

$\xi$  and  $Q^2$  dependence:

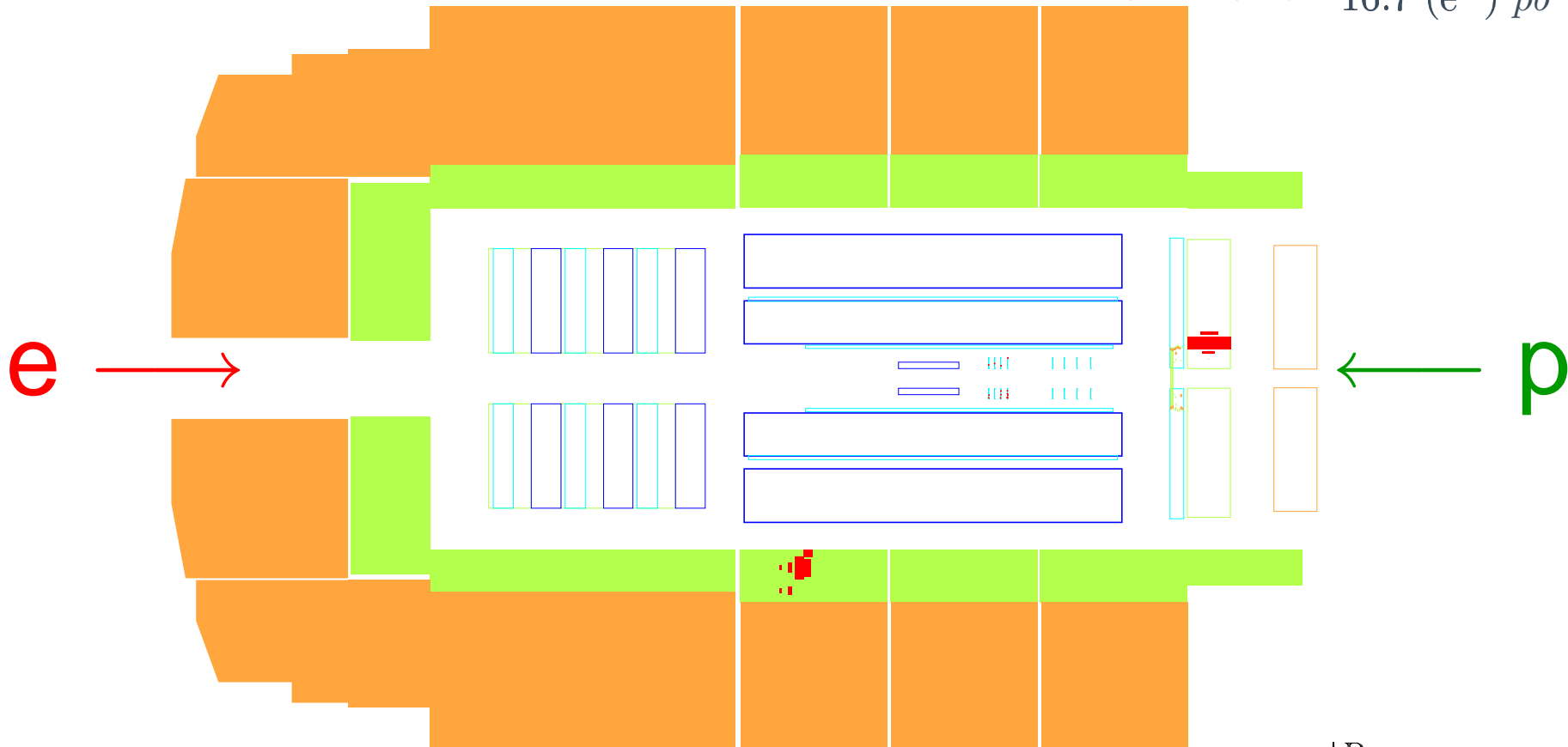
generated dynamically by the evolution equations

# DVCS - Data Selection

$\gamma$  sample

DVCS + Bethe-Heitler

	H1	ZEUS
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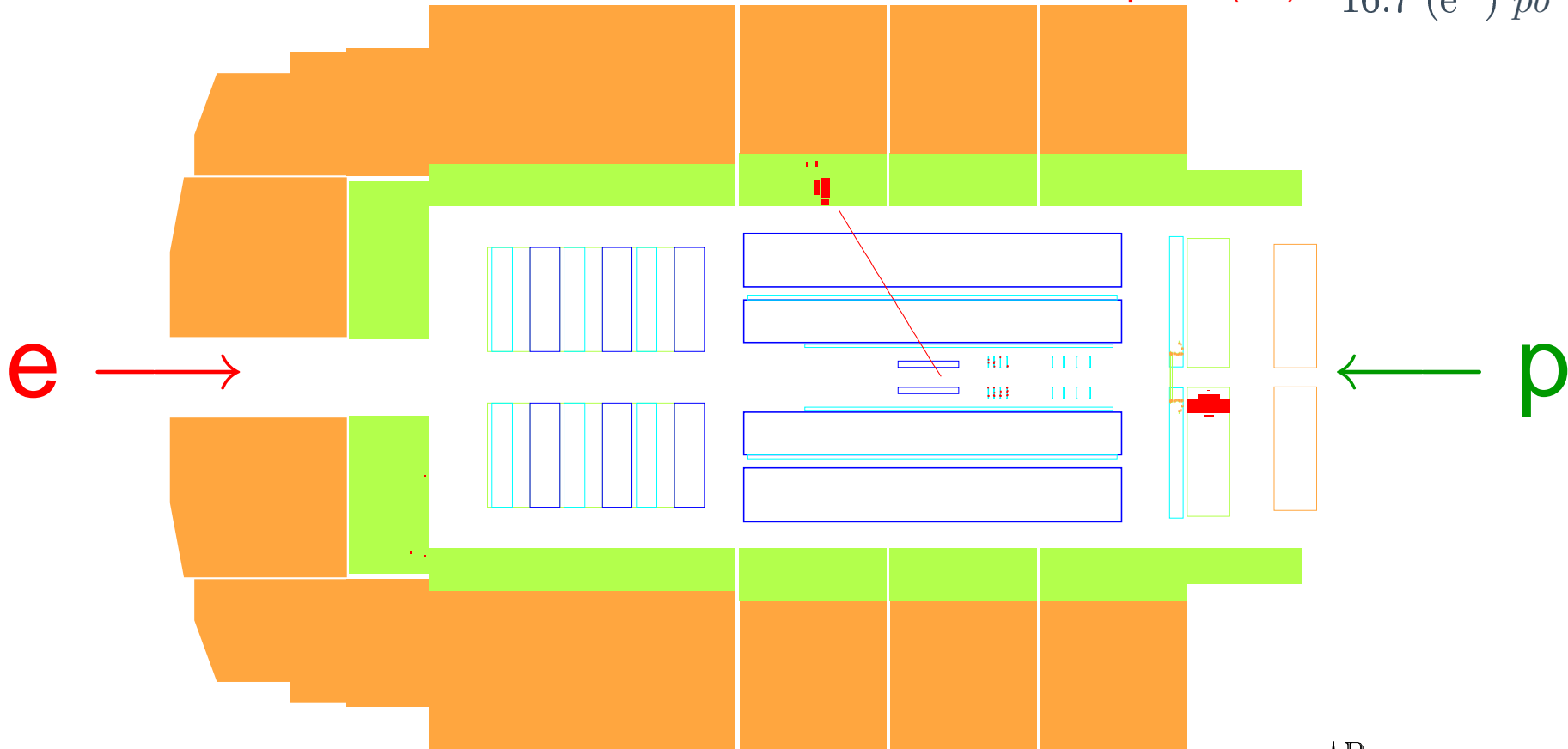


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Mainly Bethe-Heitler

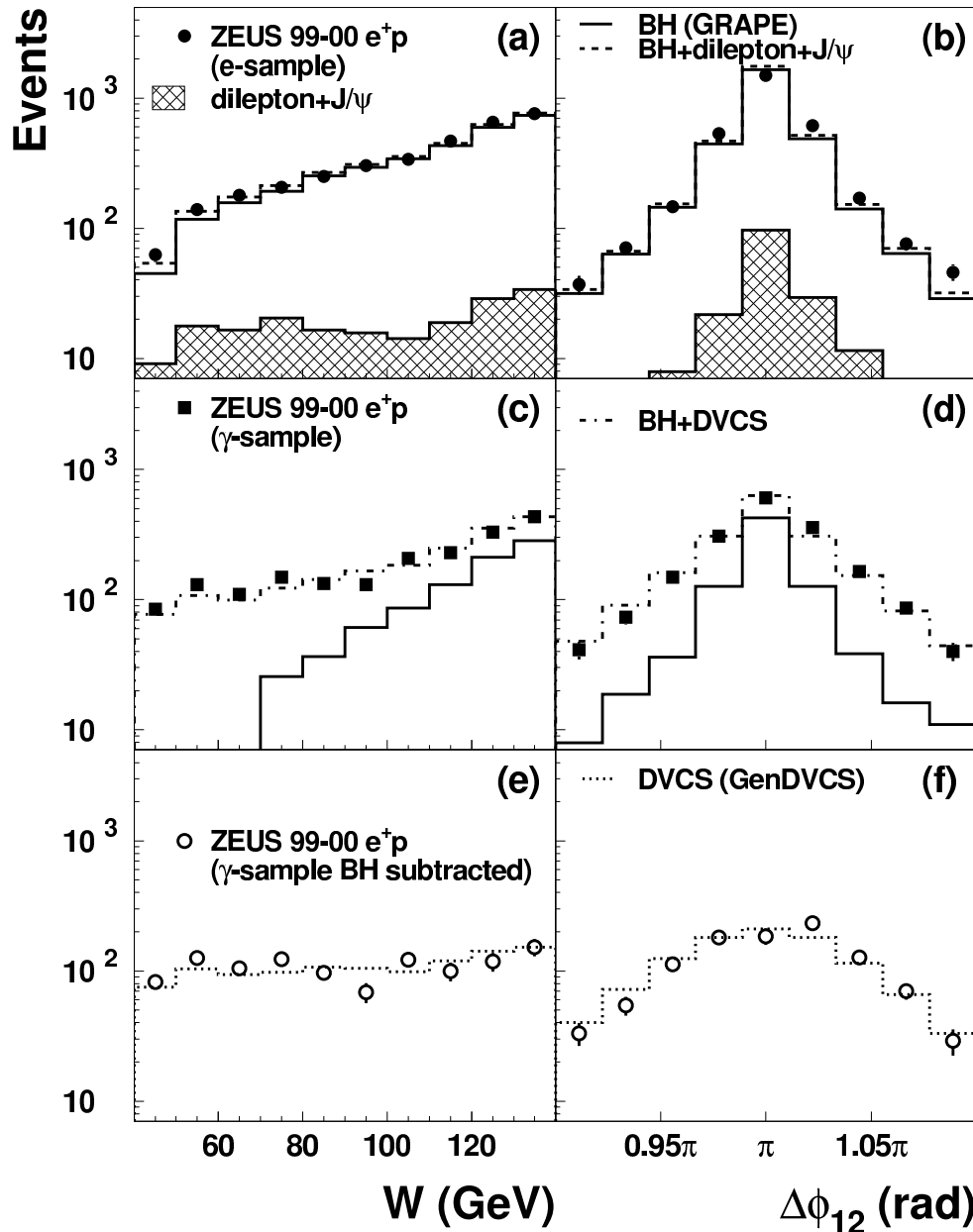
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# DVCS - Control Plots

## ZEUS



- Control sample:

Well described by MC

→ Detector understood

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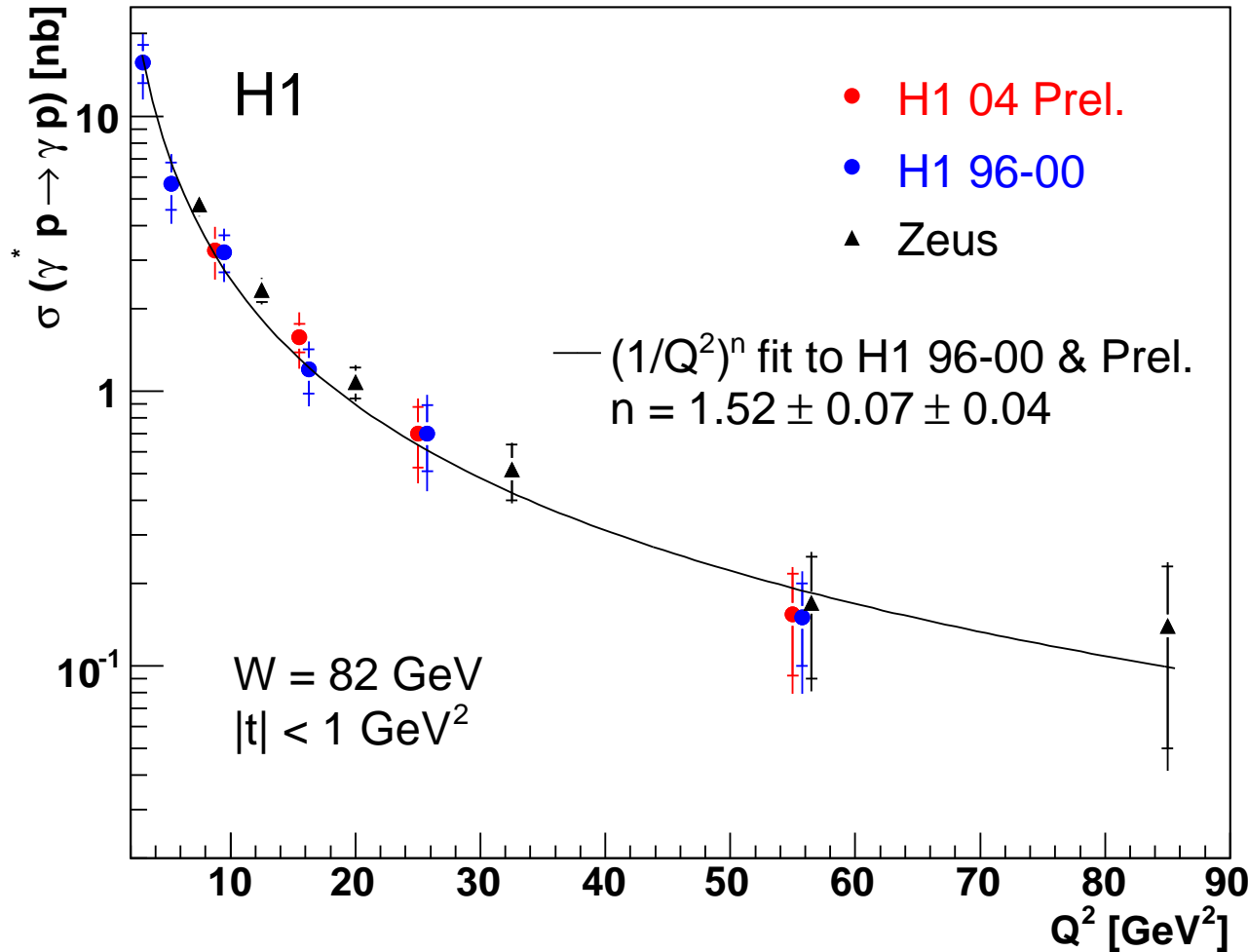
Good description by  
BH + DVCS MC

⇒ DVCS cross section:

1. Subtract Bethe-Heitler  
(  $\int d\phi$  Interf. = 0 )

2.  $\sigma_{ep} \longrightarrow \sigma_{\gamma^*p}$  ( / flux factor)

# DVCS - $Q^2$ dependence

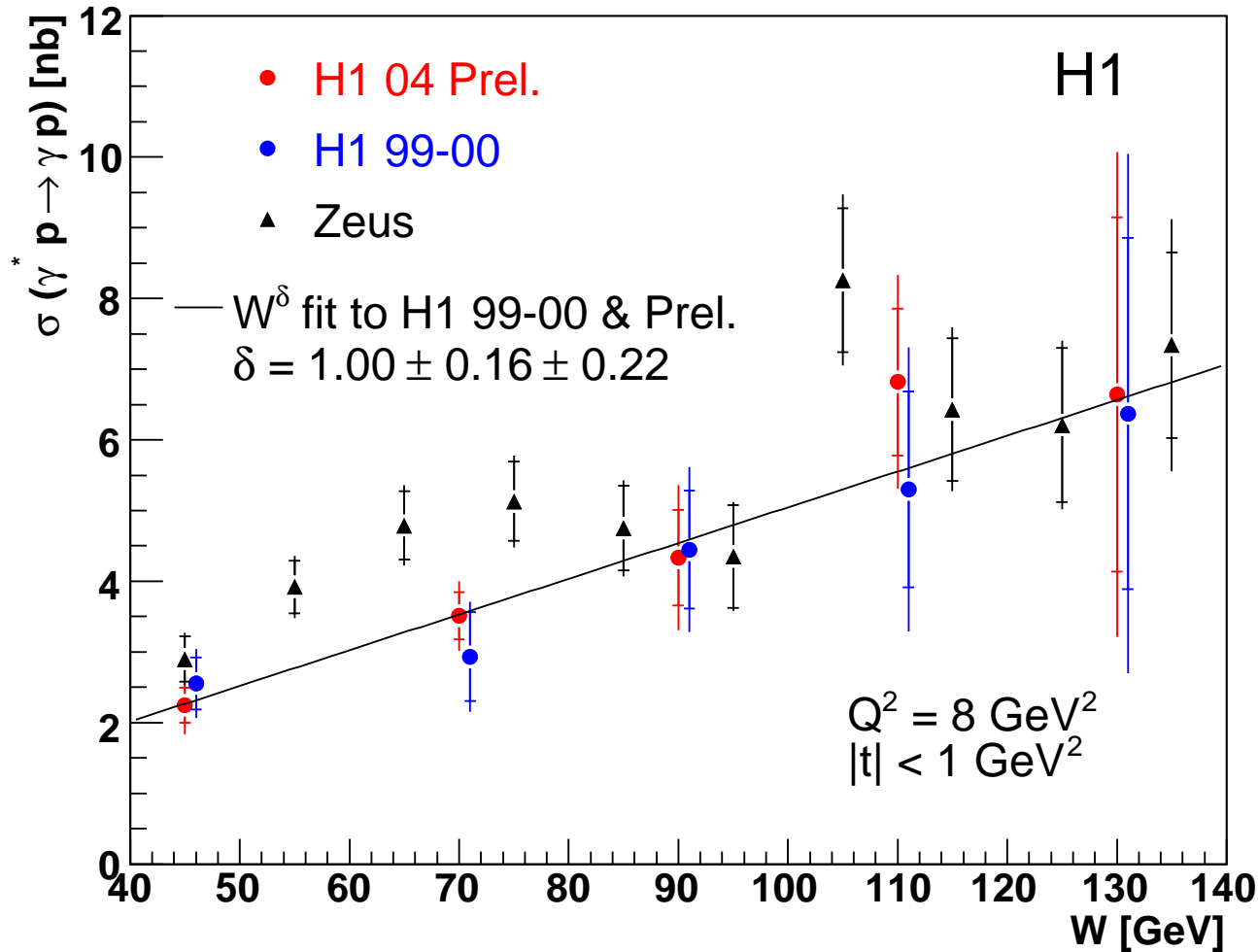


Good agreement  
with previous  
results

Combined fit to H1 99-00 and H1 2004 data :  $\sigma(Q^2) \propto (1/Q^2)^n$

→ statistical error on  $n$  parameter decreased

# DVCS - $W$ dependence

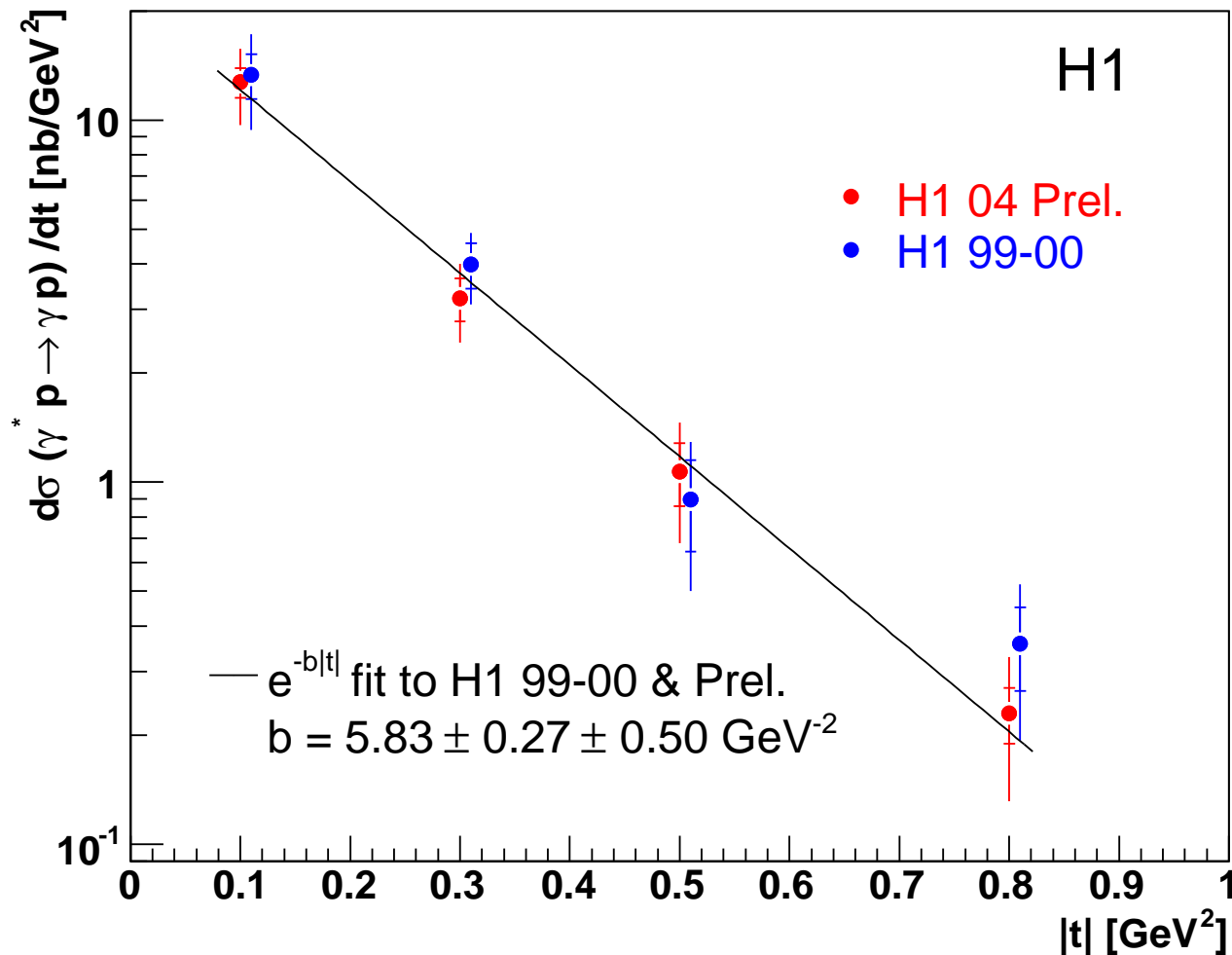


$\delta$  value indicates  
hard regime

cf.  $J/\psi$  production

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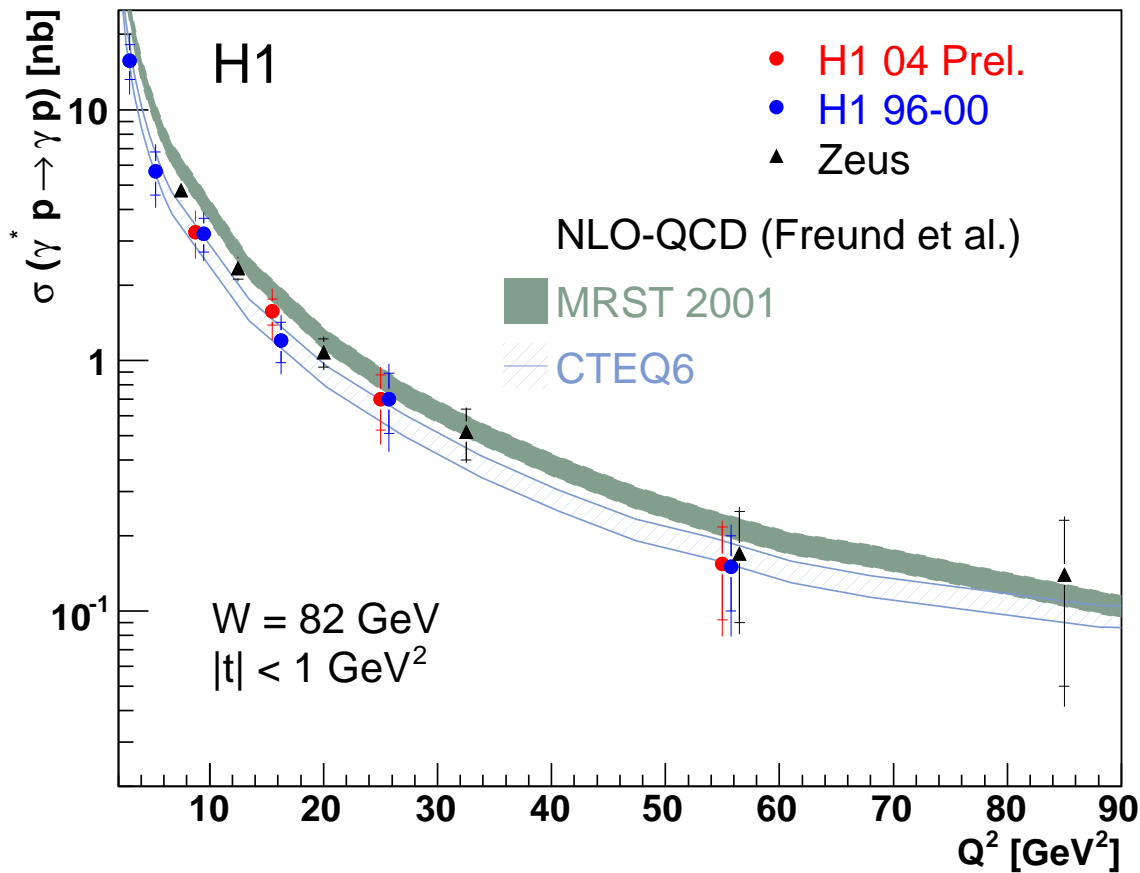
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Combined fit to H1 99-00 and H1 2004 data :  $d\sigma/dt \propto \exp(-bt)$

→ statistical error on  $t$  slope  $b$  decreased

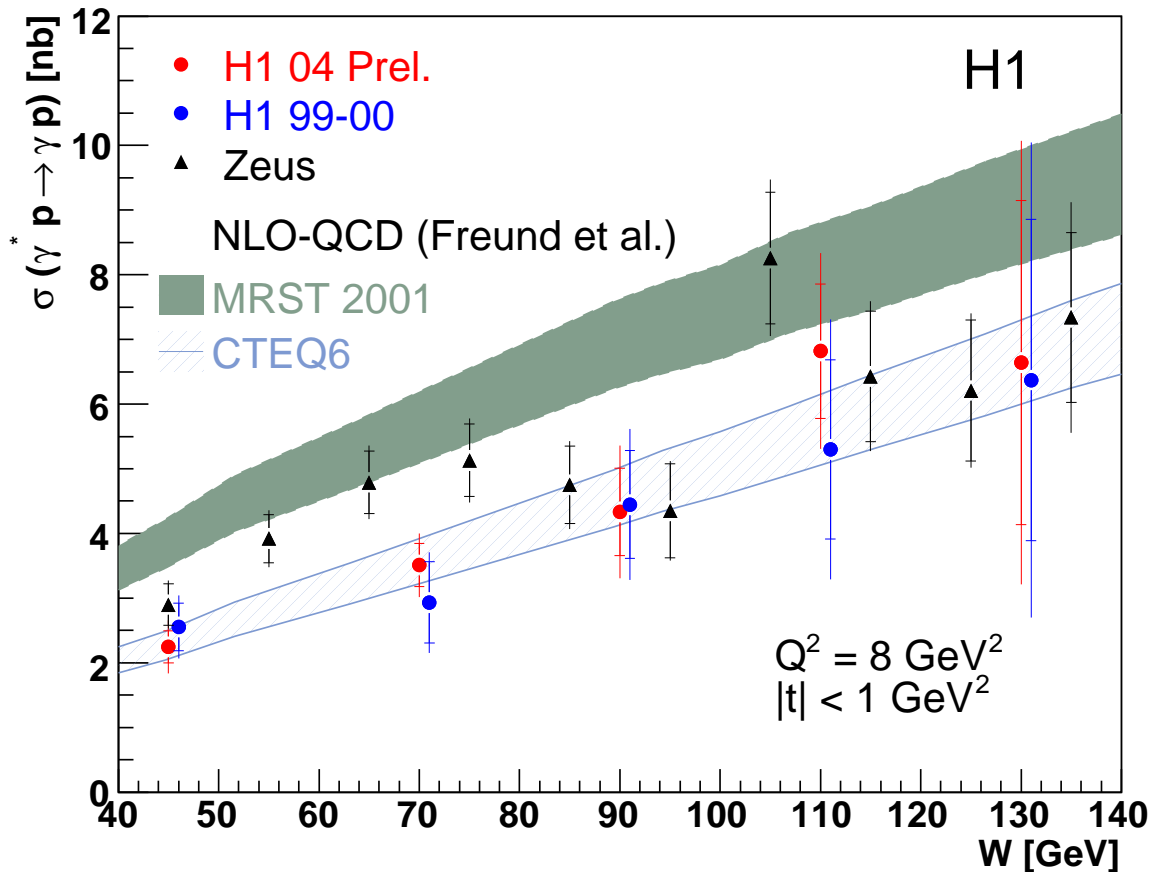
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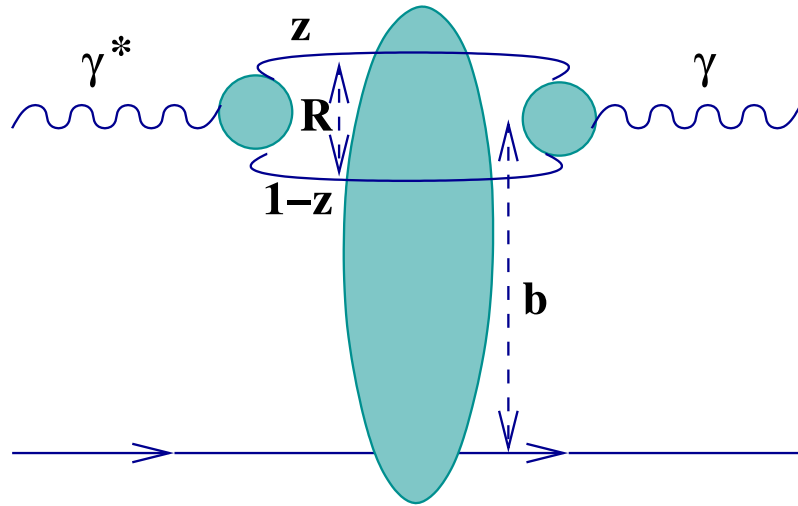


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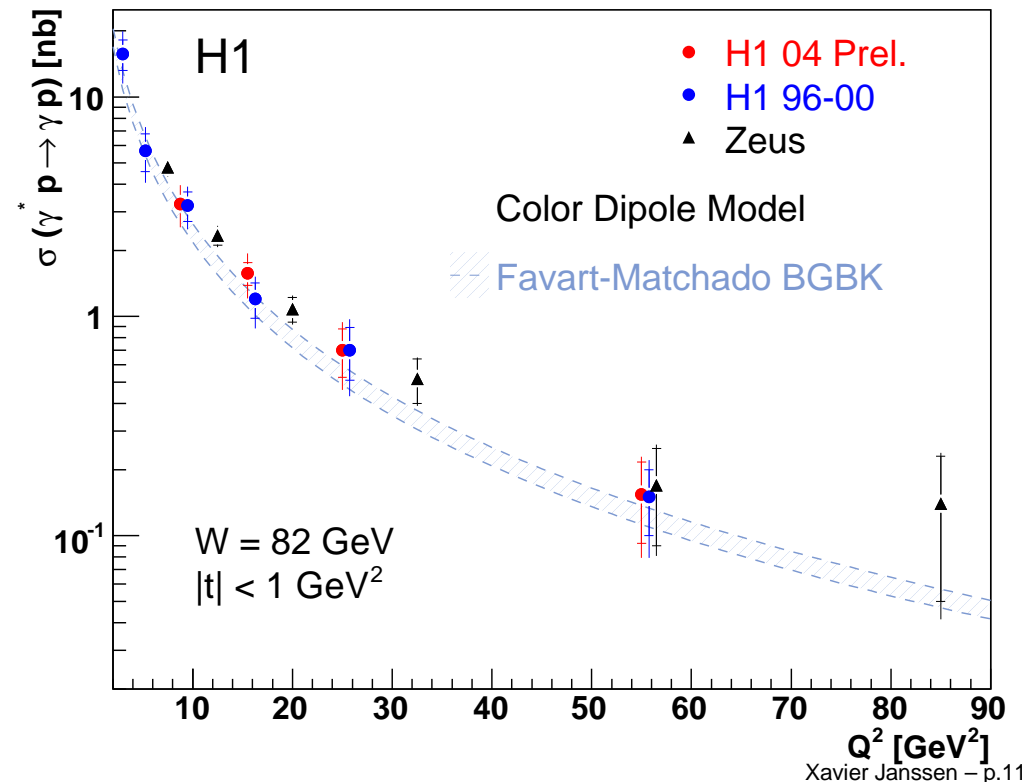
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GBW Saturation model

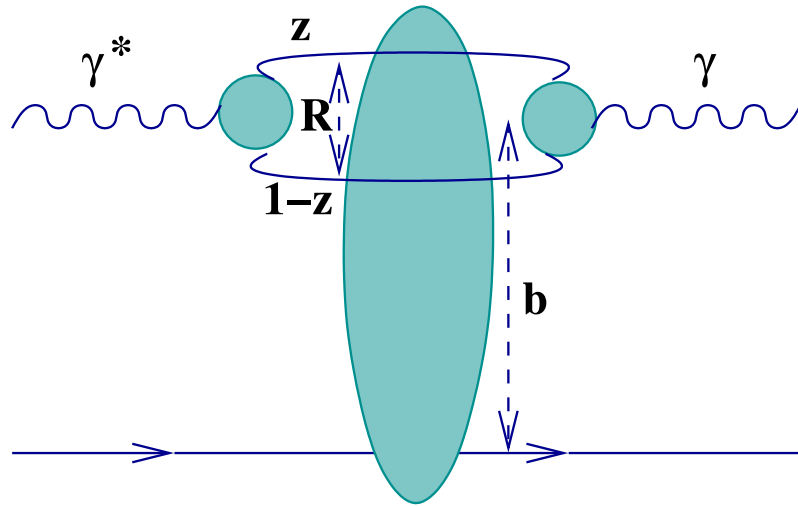
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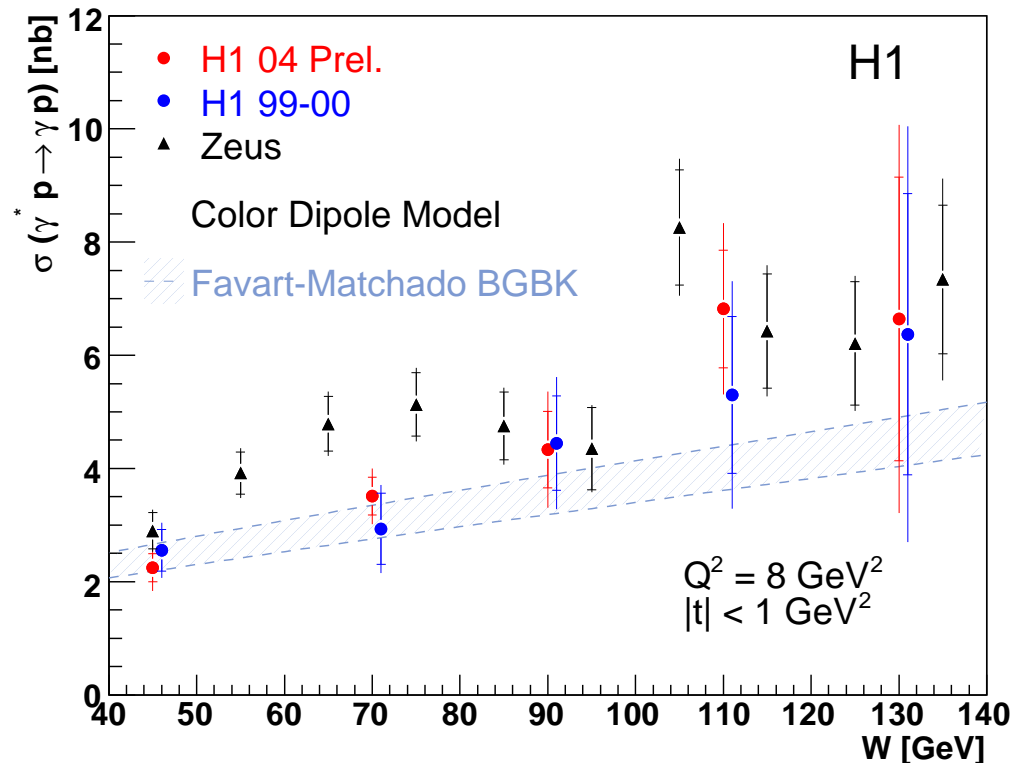
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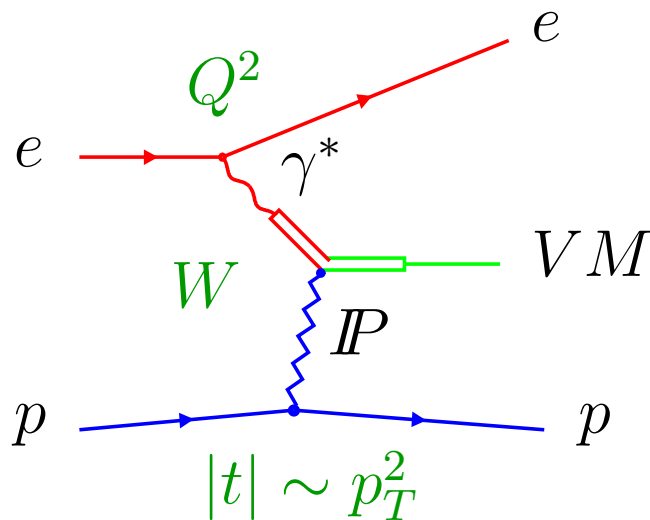
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# VECTOR MESON PRODUCTION

$$e + p \rightarrow e + VM + p \text{ (or } Y)$$



$\rho$	$u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}$	771 MeV
$\omega$	$u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}$	782 MeV
$\phi$	$s\bar{s}$	1019 MeV
$J/\psi$	$c\bar{c}$	3097 MeV
$\psi(2S)$	$c\bar{c}$	3686 MeV

## Regge Theory

= Soft  $IP$ omeron exchange

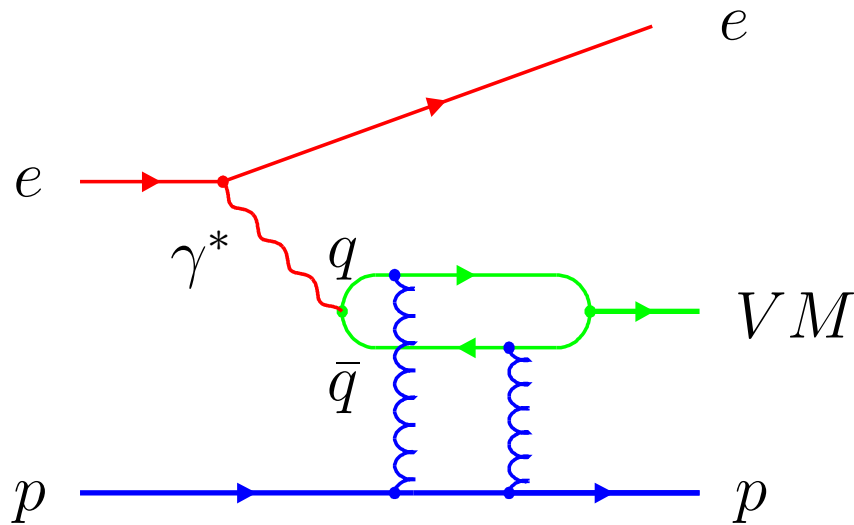
$$\sigma \propto \left(\frac{W}{W_0}\right)^{4(\alpha_{IP}(t)-1)}$$

$$\alpha_{IP}(t) = 1.08 - 0.25|t|$$

Works for light VM

at low  $Q^2$  (and low  $t$ )

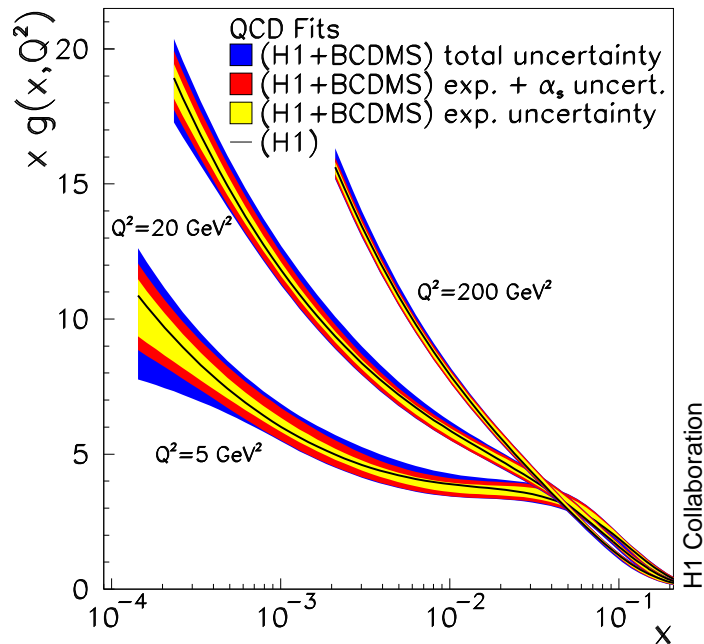
# Vector Mesons: Perturbative QCD Models



## Assume Factorization

$\iff$  Requires hard scale:  
 $Q^2, m_q$  or  $t$

$\iff$  Requires endpoints  
cancellation mechanism  
to avoid divergence



## Exchange of $\geq 2$ gluons:

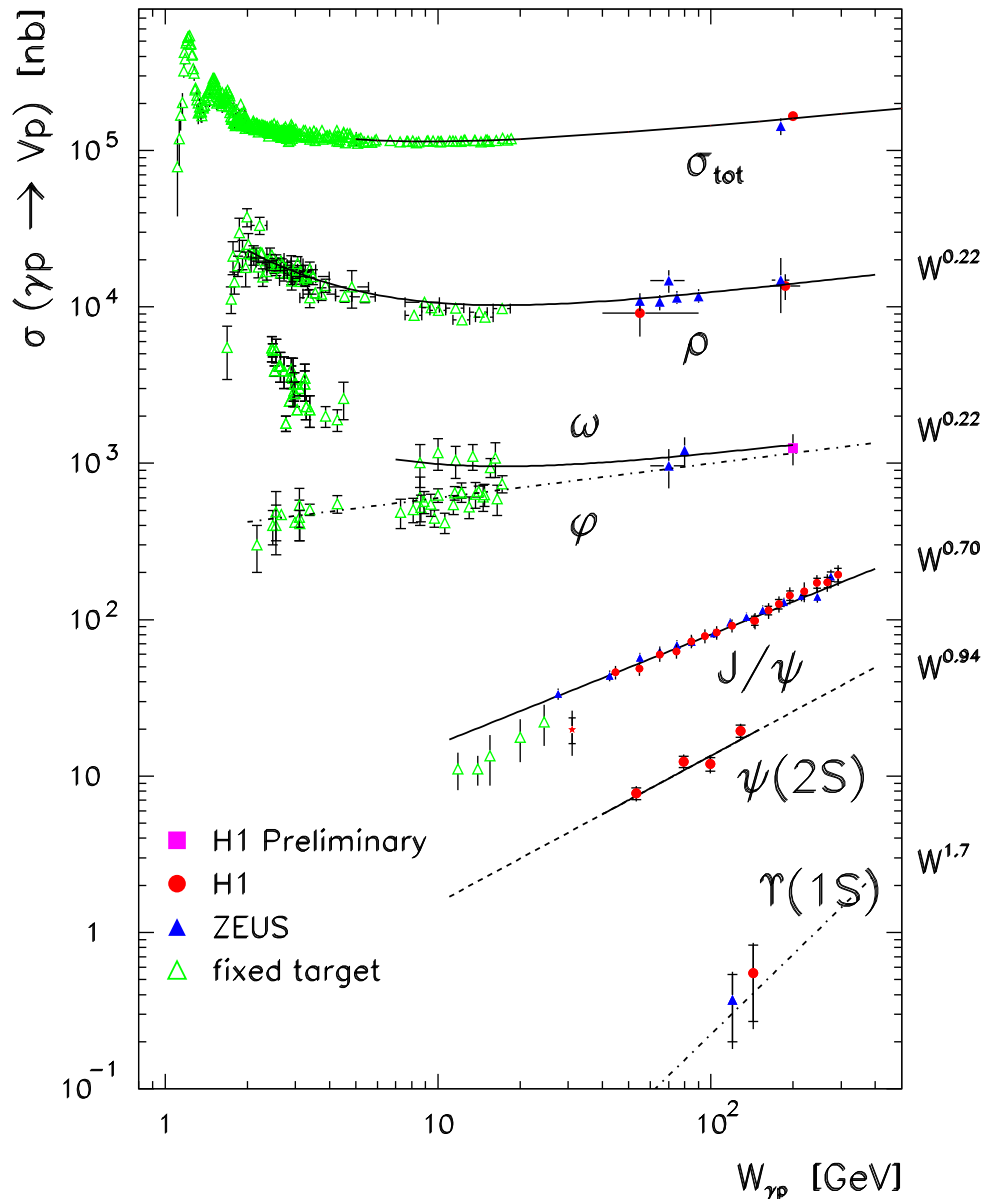
$$\sigma \propto (xG(x, Q^2))^2$$

Steep rise of  $xG(x, Q^2)$

No (or little) shrinkage

# Vector Mesons : Photoproduction Overview

## Photoproduction ( $Q^2 = 0 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

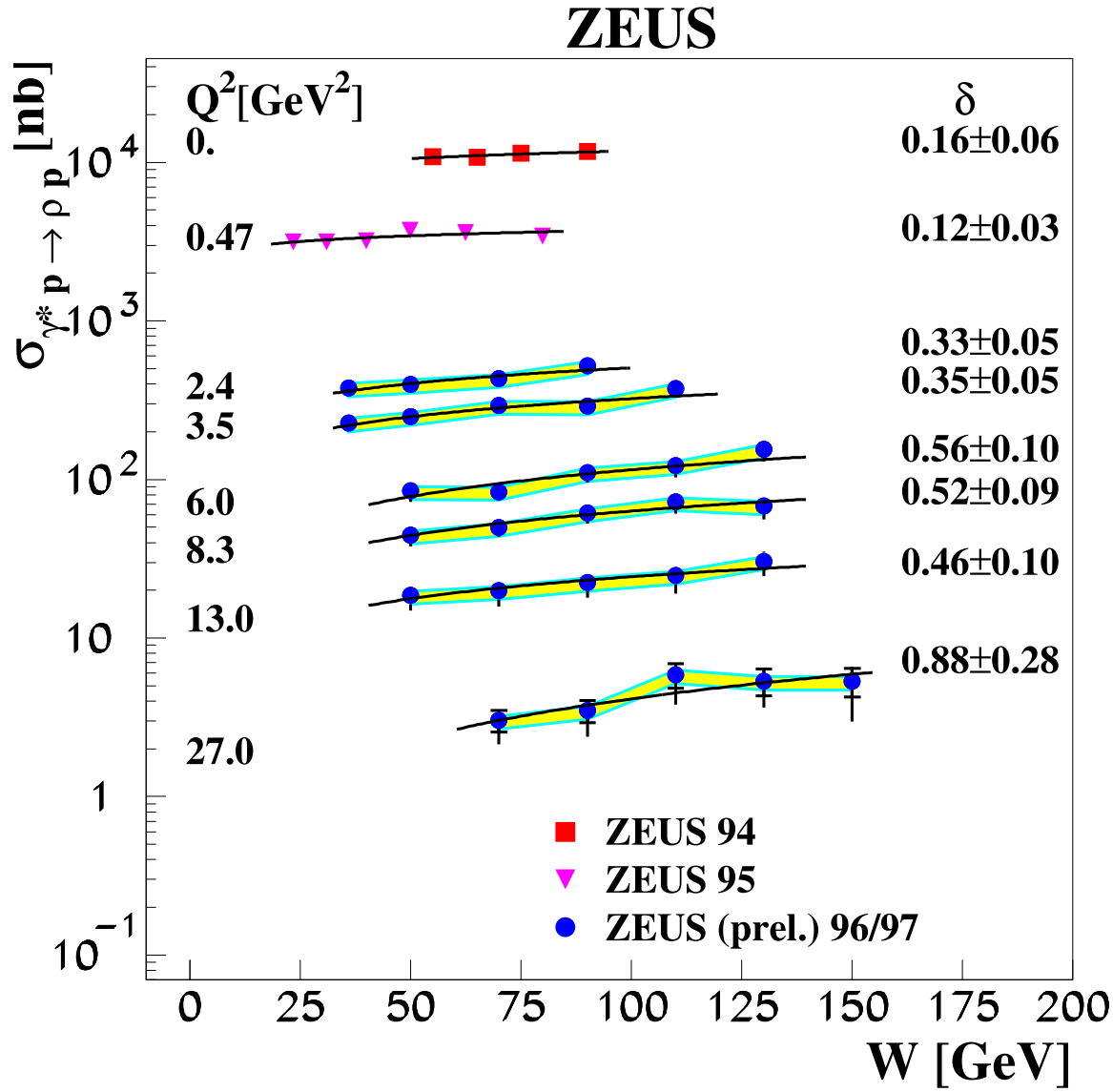


Light vector meson ( $\rho, \omega, \phi$ ):  
Soft energy dependence

$J/\psi$ :  
Hard energy dependence

$\Rightarrow$  Quark mass ( $m_c$ )  
= hard scale

# Vector Mesons : Elastic Rho Production



Transition with  $Q^2$  to a hard dependence in  $W$

$\longrightarrow Q^2 = \text{hard scale}$

- electron not detected:

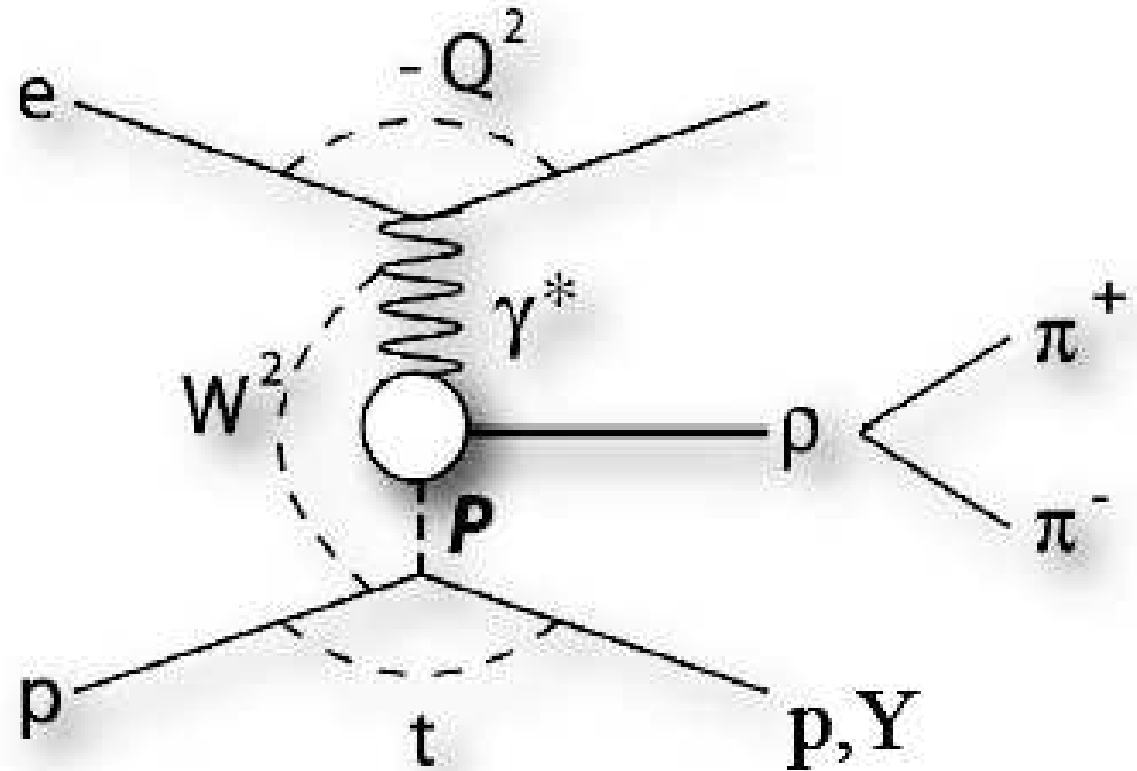
$$Q^2 < 4 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$\langle Q^2 \rangle = 0.01 \text{ GeV}^2$$

- $W = \sqrt{2E_p(E_\rho - P_{z,\rho})}$

$$20 < W < 90 \text{ GeV}$$

- $t = -P_{t,\rho}^2 \quad |t| < 3 \text{ GeV}^2$



- Previous HERA measurements:

- **H1**: 93 data, 358 events,  $20 \text{ nb}^{-1} \longrightarrow$  **new measurement needed**

- **ZEUS**: no level arm in  $W$ , combined fit with fix target data

$$\longrightarrow \alpha(t) = (1.096 \pm 0.021) + (0.125 \pm 0.038) t$$

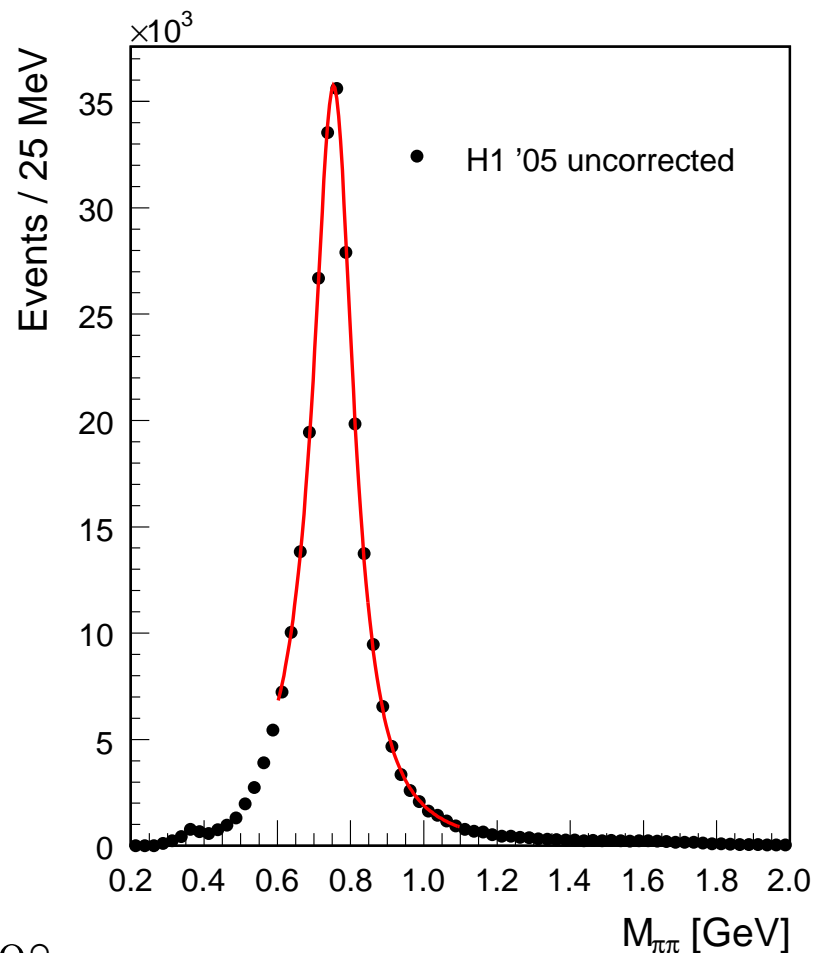


## H1 Fast Track Trigger at HERA-II:

- Threshold:  $p_t > 100$  MeV
- Selection on nr of tracks, charge
  - 1 Million triggered events in 2005 ( $570 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )

## Offline Event Selection:

- Vertex within 25 cm of nominal IP
- 2 tracks, opposite charge
- tracks:  $p_t > 200$  MeV,  $20^\circ < \theta < 160^\circ$
- No electron detected
- No other particles



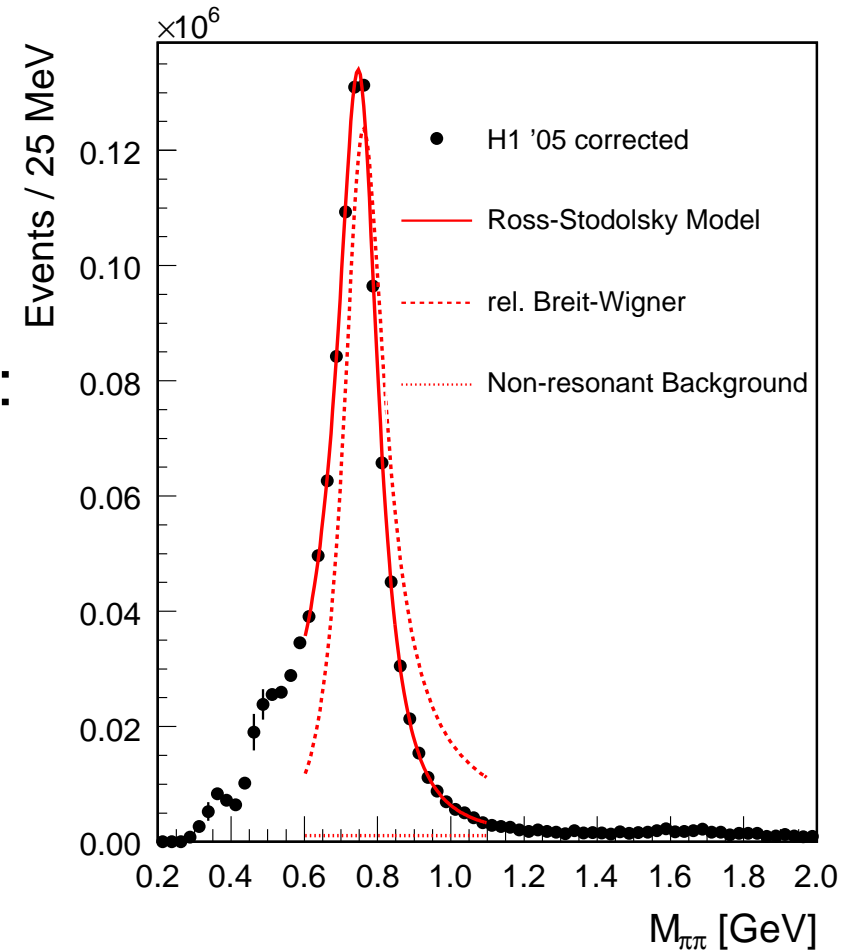
→ 267785 selected  $\rho^0$

→ 12 bins in  $|t|$   
5-10 bins in  $W$



# $\rho^0$ PhP - Corrected Mass Distribution

- Mass distribution distorted, due to non-resonant  $\pi^+\pi^-$  production
- Fit rel. Breit-Wigner, including a skewing factor (Ross-Stodolsky):
  - $m_\rho = 766.4$  MeV (PDG: 768 MeV)
  - $\Gamma_\rho = 145$  MeV (PDG:  $150 \pm 3$  MeV)
- Perform fit in each  $W - t$  bin with fixed  $\rho^0$  mass and width to average values above

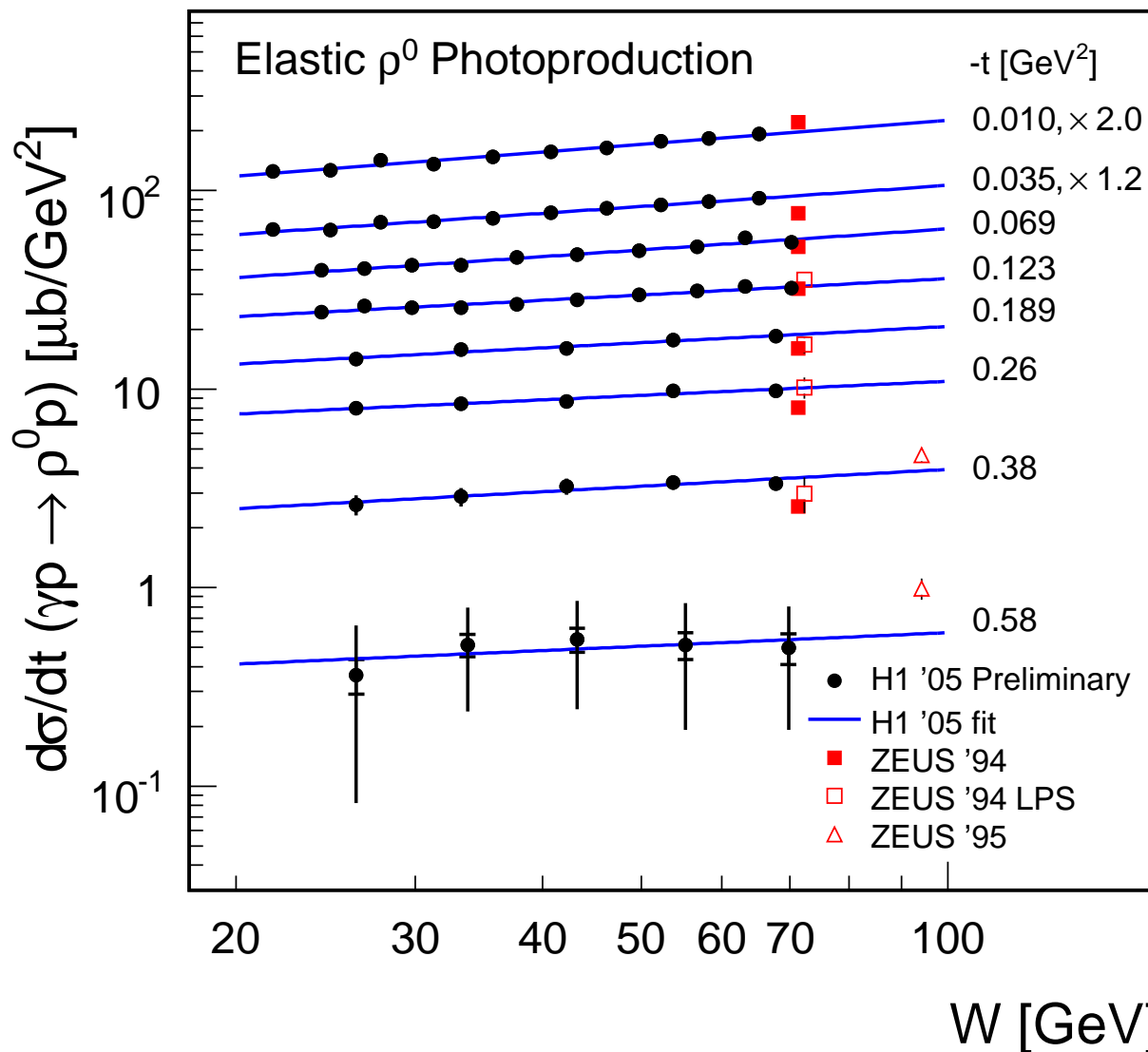


- Obtain number of  $\rho^0$  in each  $W - t$  bin (for  $2m_\pi < M_{\pi\pi} < m_\rho + 5\Gamma_\rho$ )
- Extract  $\sigma_{gp}$  cross sections in each  $W - t$  bin



# $\rho^0$ PhP - Elastic Cross Section

H1 PRELIMINARY



Good agreement with previous results from H1, ZEUS and OMEGA (not shown)

Fit to H1 data:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \propto \frac{W}{W_0}^{4(\alpha(t)-1)}$$

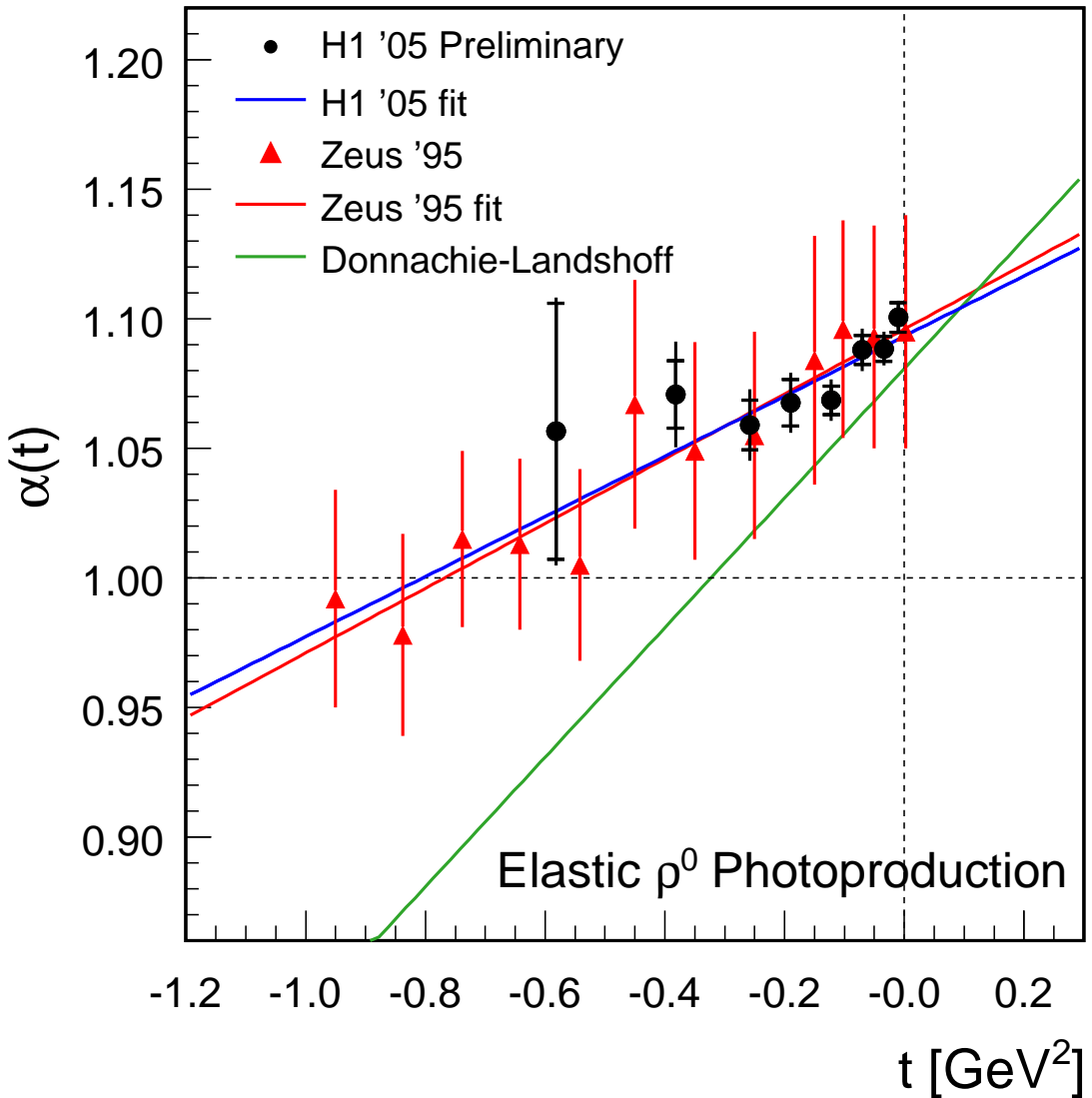
→ Pomeron trajectory





# Elastic $\rho^0$ PhP - Pomeron trajectory

H1 PRELIMINARY



$$\alpha(t) = \alpha_0 + \alpha' t$$

$$\rightarrow \alpha_0 = 1.093 \pm 0.003 \begin{matrix} +0.008 \\ -0.007 \end{matrix}$$
$$\rightarrow \alpha' = 0.116 \pm 0.027 \begin{matrix} +0.036 \\ -0.046 \end{matrix} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

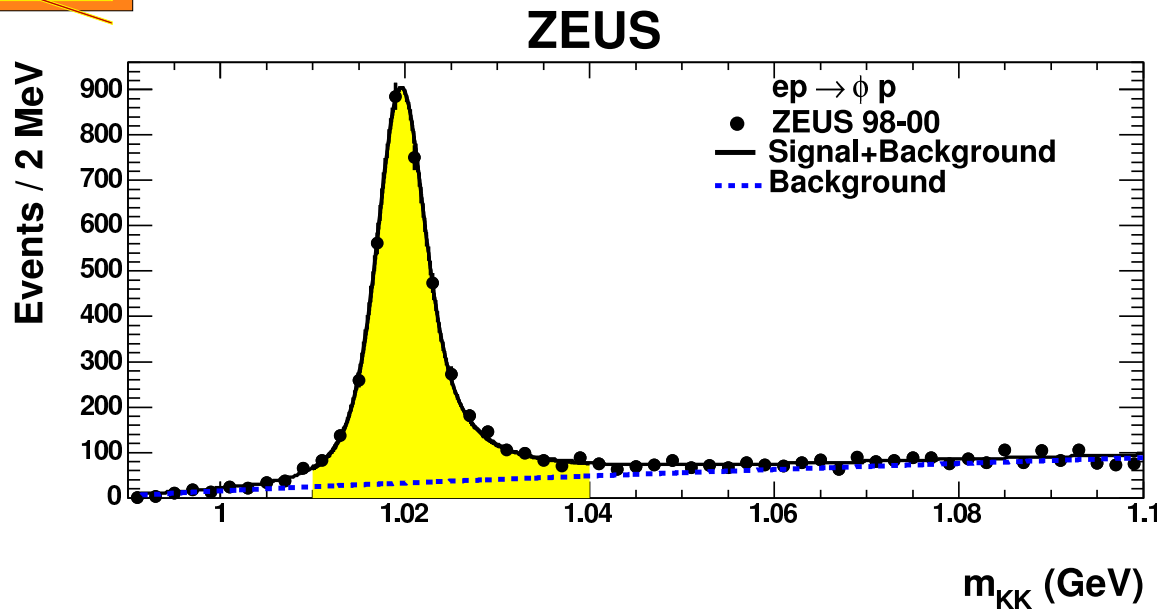
- $\alpha'$  smaller than  $0.25 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$
- Good agreement with fit to ZEUS and fix target data:

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# Exclusive $\phi$ Production in DIS

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98-2000 data:

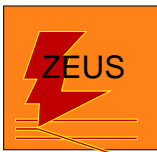
- $\mathcal{L} = 65.1 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Select  $\phi \longrightarrow K^+ K^-$
- 3642 events in range  
 $1.01 < M_{KK} < 1.04 \text{ GeV}$

Kinematic range:

- $2 < Q^2 < 70 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $35 < W < 145 \text{ GeV}$   
( $\rightarrow Q^2$  dependent)
- $|t| < 0.6 \text{ GeV}^2$

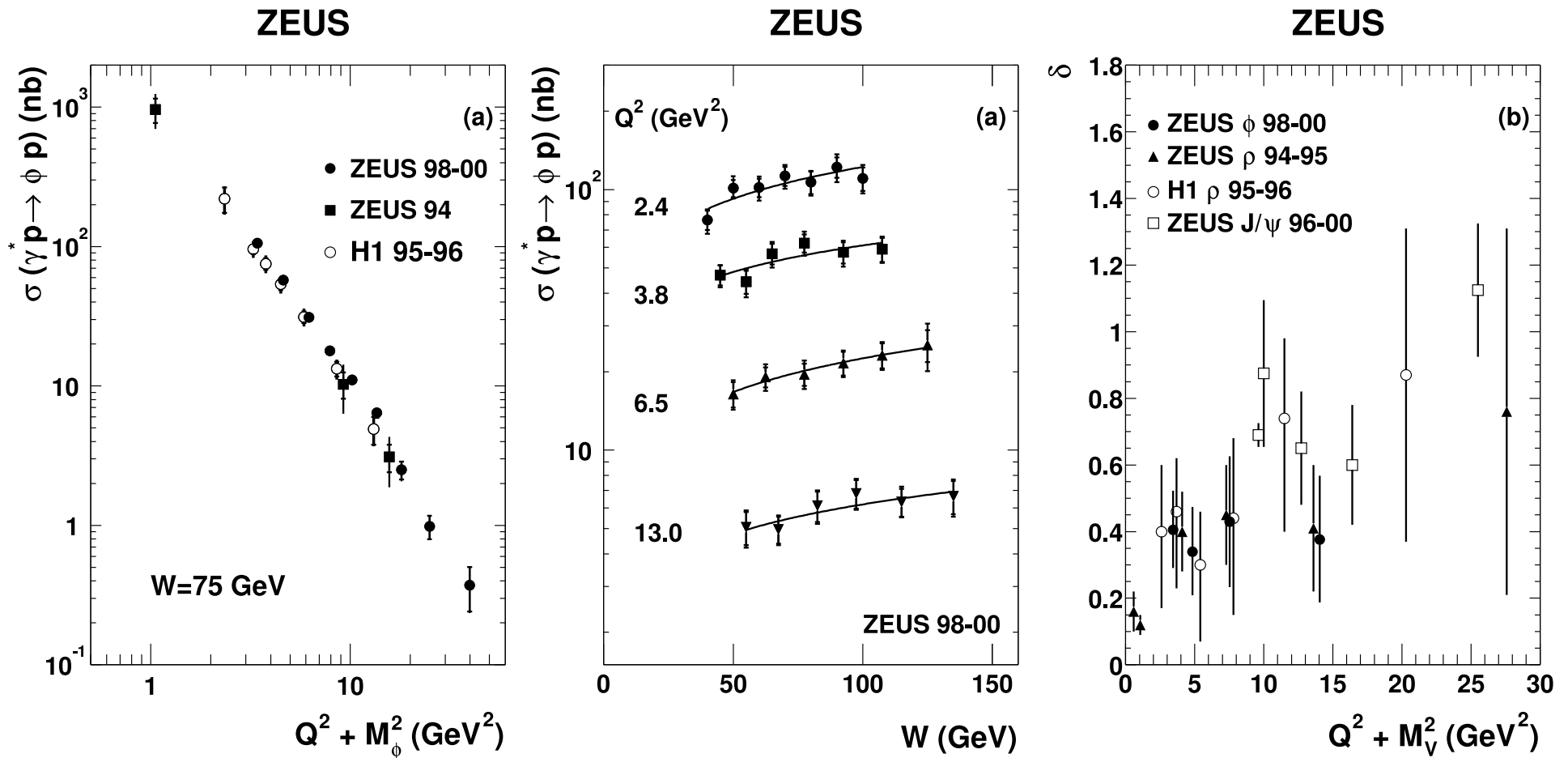
Subtracted backgrounds:

- non-resonant decreasing  
from 18 % at  $Q^2 = 2.4 \text{ GeV}^2$   
to 5 % at  $Q^2 = 13 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Proton dissociation:  $(7 \pm 0.4^{+4.2}_{-2.8})\%$



# $\phi$ in DIS - $Q^2$ and $W$ dependence

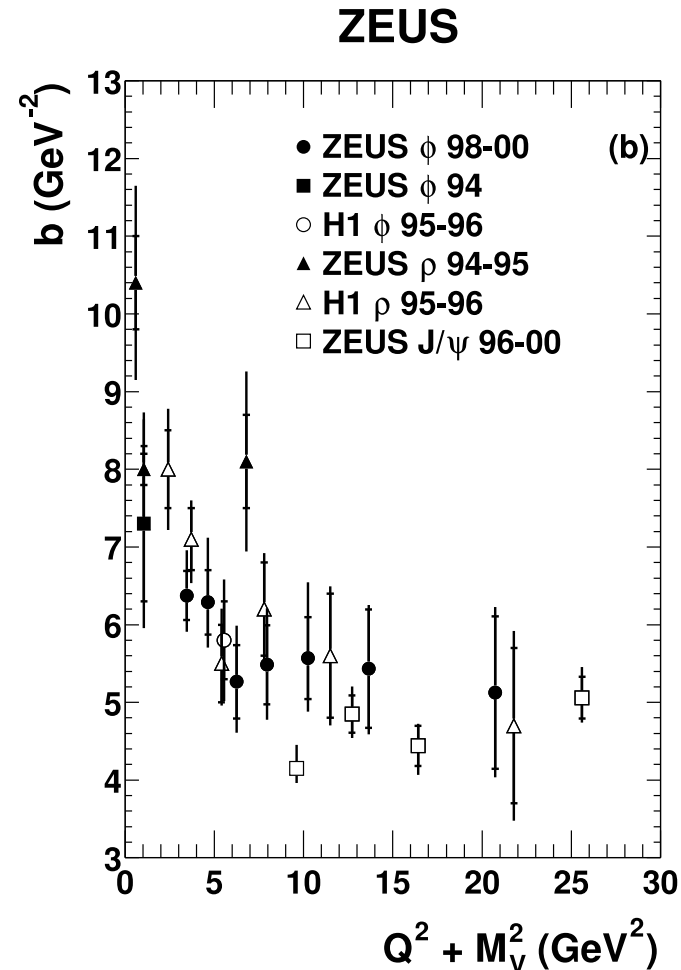
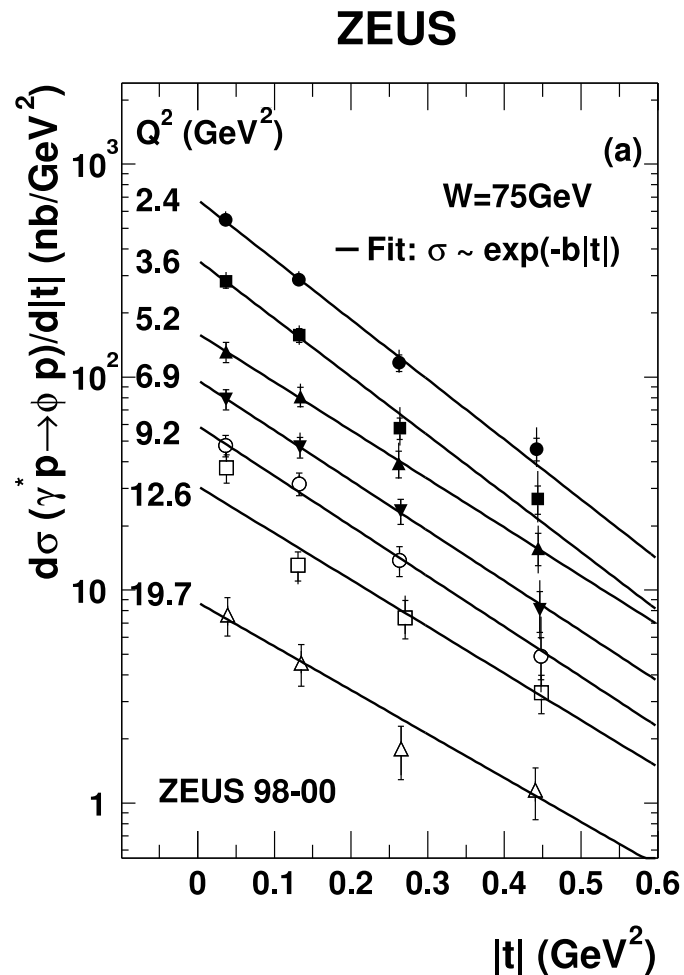
- Fit  $\sigma_\phi \propto W^\delta \longrightarrow \delta \sim 0.4 \longrightarrow$  no  $Q^2$  dependence of  $\delta$
- rise of  $\delta$  with  $Q^2 + M_{VM}^2$  observed in global VM picture
- $\rho, \phi$ : transition from soft to hard regime observed





# $\phi$ in DIS - $t$ dependence

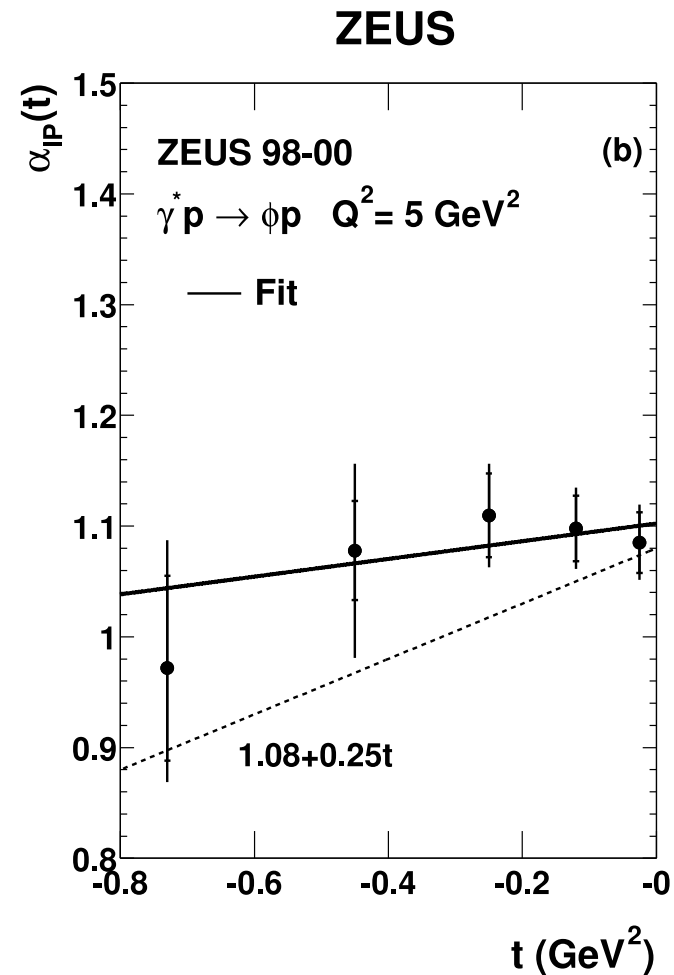
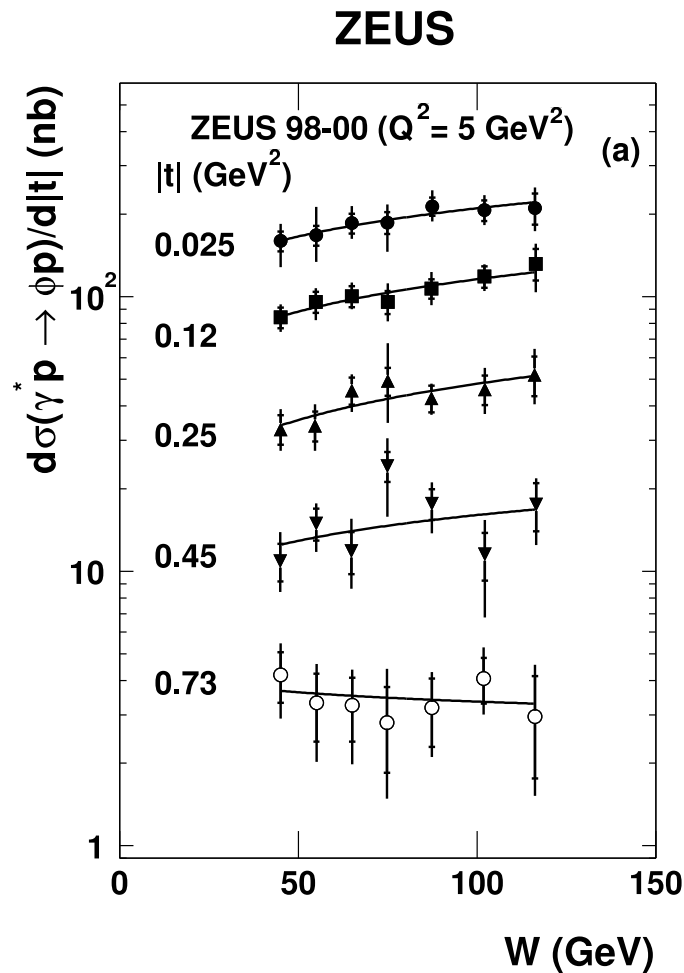
- Fit  $d\sigma/dt \propto \exp(-b|t|)$  for  $W = 75 \text{ GeV}$
- No  $Q^2$  dependence of  $b$  observed within errors
- Data suggest scaling with  $Q^2 + M_{VM}^2$  in global VM picture

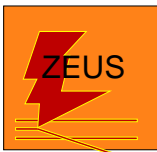




# $\phi$ in DIS - Pomeron trajectory

- Fit  $\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \propto \frac{W}{W_0}^{4(\alpha(t)-1)}$ 
  - $\rightarrow \alpha_0 = 1.10 \pm 0.02$  (stat.)  $\pm 0.2$  (syst.)
  - $\rightarrow \alpha' = 0.09 \pm 0.02$  (stat.)  $\pm 0.8$  (syst.)  $\text{GeV}^{-2}$
- $\rightarrow$  Data compatible with  $\alpha' = 0$  (no shrinkage)





# $\phi$ in DIS - Comparison with pQCD models

- comparison with MRT and FS04 pQCD models
  - different assumptions on gluon densities

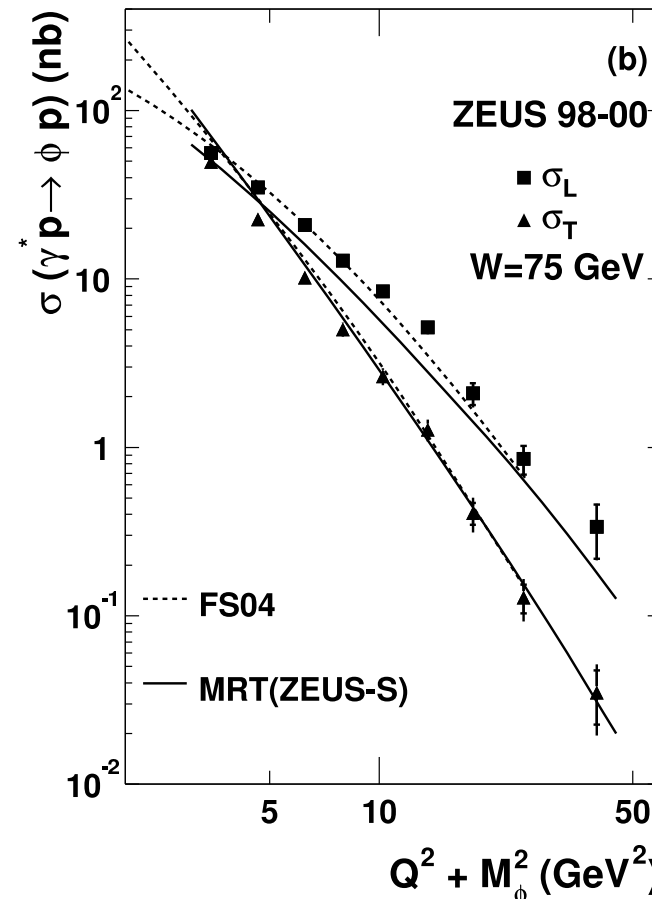
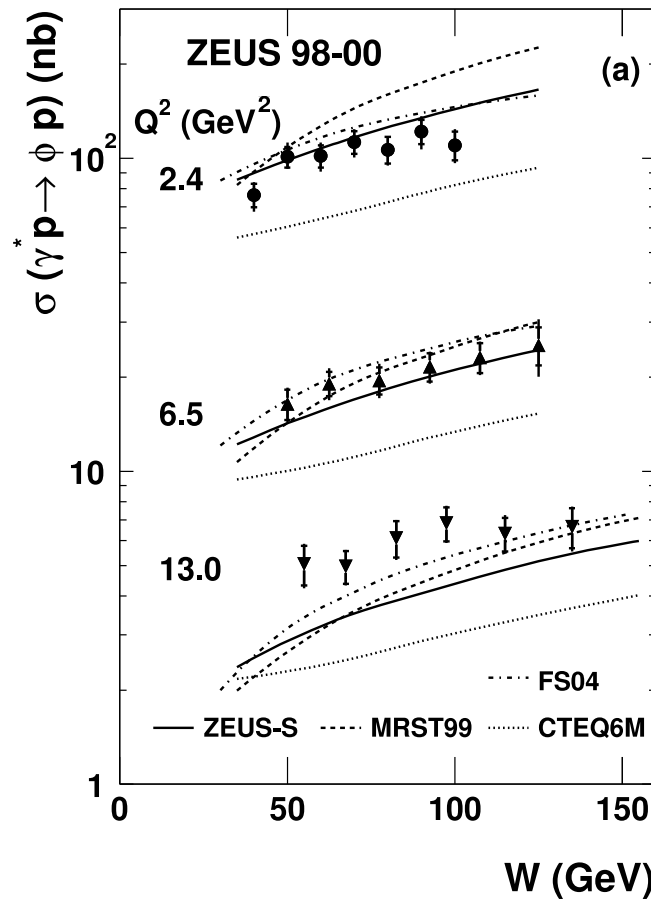
- $\sigma(\gamma p \rightarrow \phi p) = \sigma_T + \epsilon \sigma_L$

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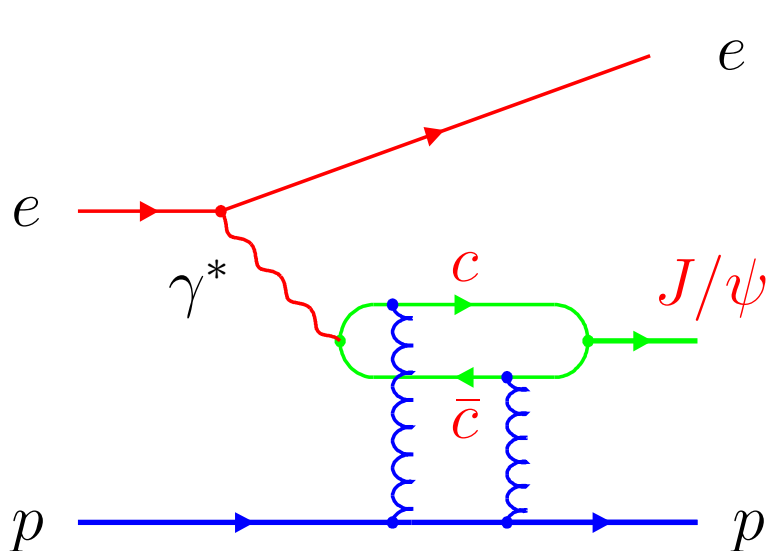
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ZEUS

ZEUS



→ models describe qualitatively data; best description by FS04



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→  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  for  $40 < W < 160 \text{ GeV}$

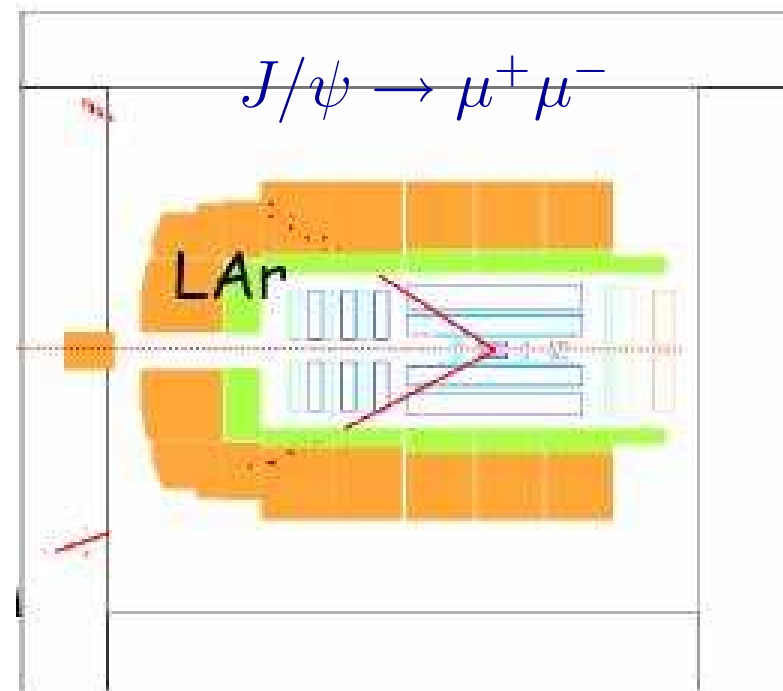
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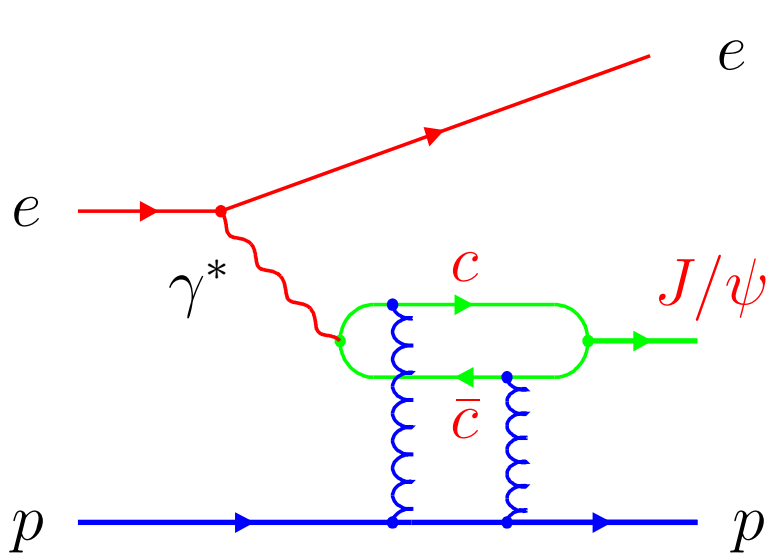
→  $40 < W < 305 \text{ GeV}$

**Electroproduction** ( $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  Only)

- $2 < Q^2 < 80 \text{ GeV}^2$

- $40 < W < 160 \text{ GeV}$





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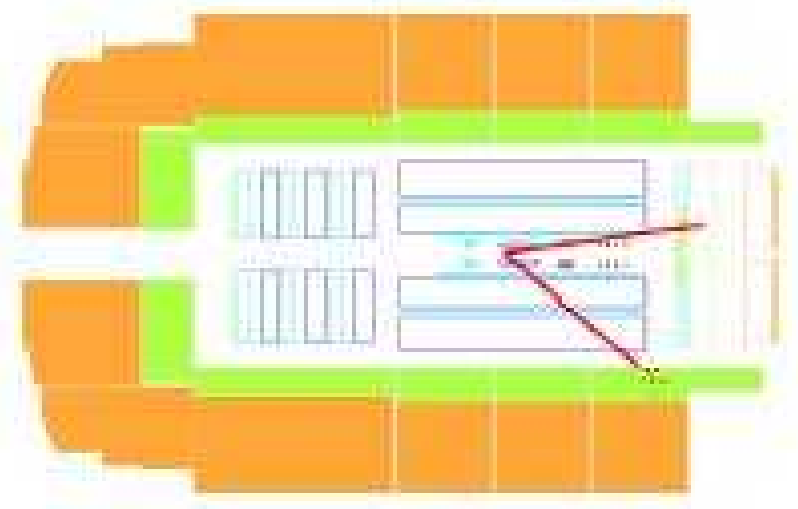
→  $40 < W < 305 \text{ GeV}$

**Electroproduction** ( $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  Only)

- $2 < Q^2 < 80 \text{ GeV}^2$

- $40 < W < 160 \text{ GeV}$

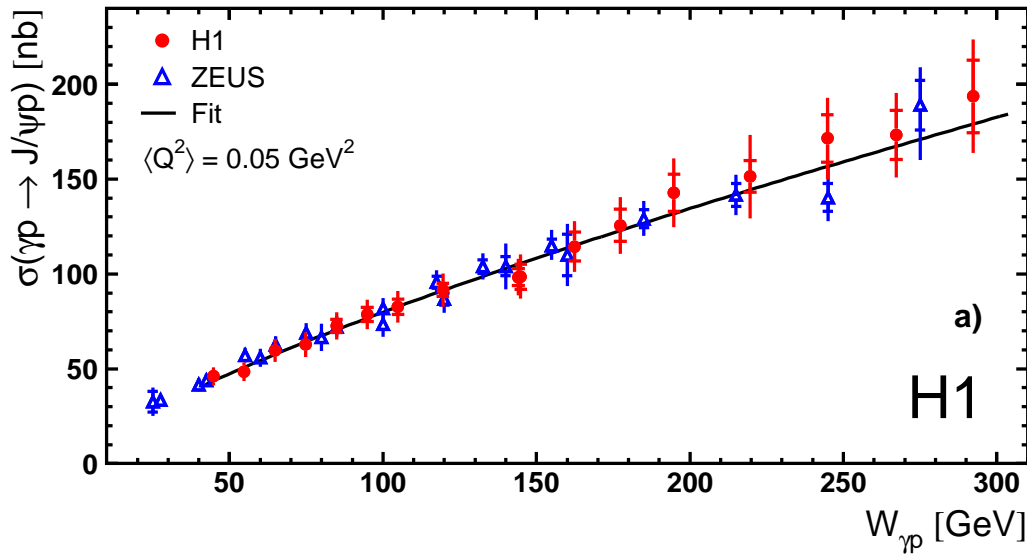
$J/\psi \rightarrow e^+ e^-$







# Elastic $J/\psi$ - $W$ dependence in PhP



- H1 and ZEUS data agree
- Fit  $\sigma \propto W^\delta$  (H1 only):  
 $\delta = 0.75 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.03$

Martin, Ryskin, Teubner :

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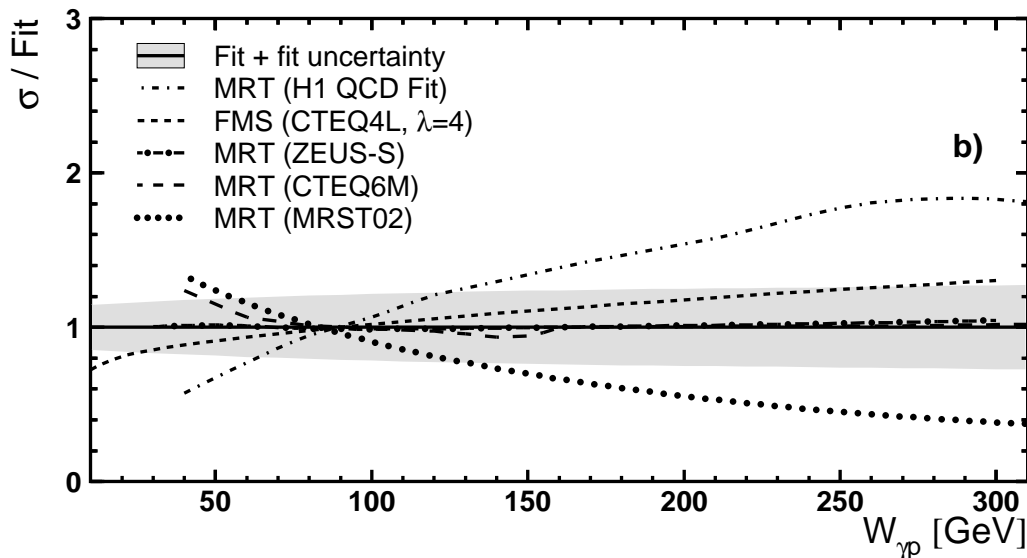
$$A = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dl_T^2}{l_T^4} \alpha_s(l_T^2) f(x, x', l_T^2) \Phi^{L,T}(\dots, l_T^2)$$

$x \neq x' \longrightarrow$  need GPDs

$$f(x = x', l_T^2) = \frac{\partial [(xg(x, q_o^2)T(q_o^2, \mu^2)]}{\partial q_o^2} \Big|_{q_o^2 = l_T^2}$$

+ skewing ansatz

$\longrightarrow$  Sensitivity to gluon at low  $x$  (?)

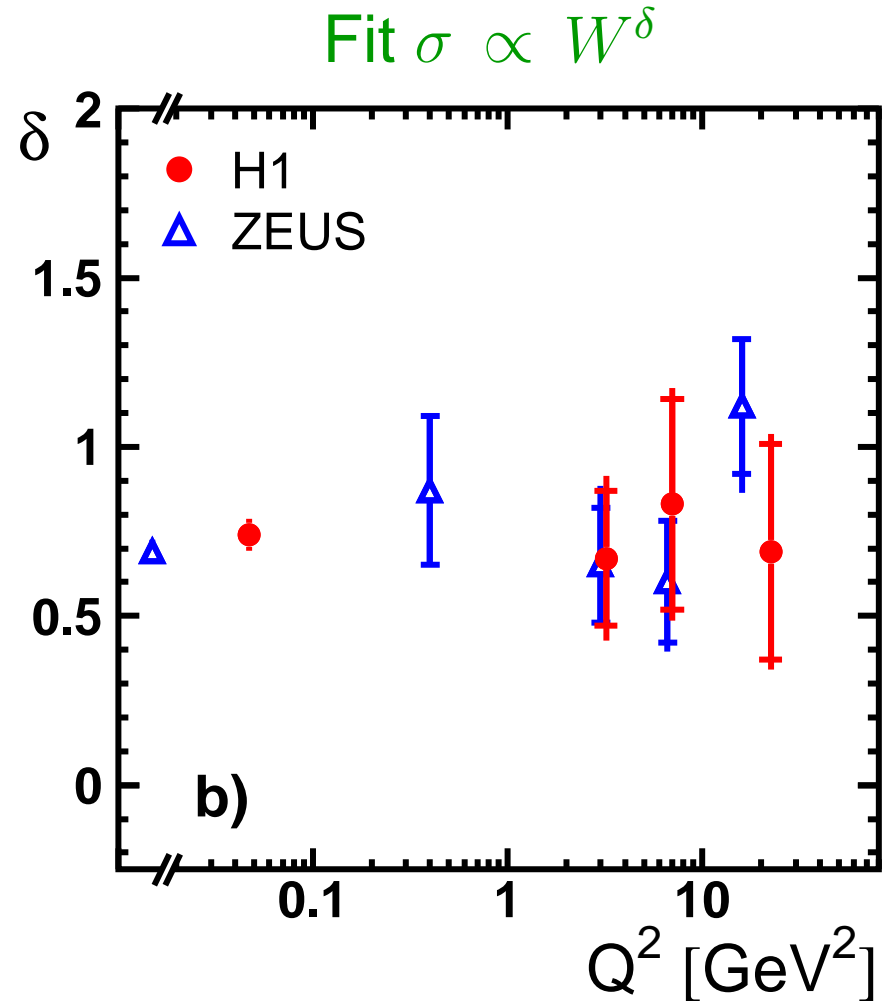
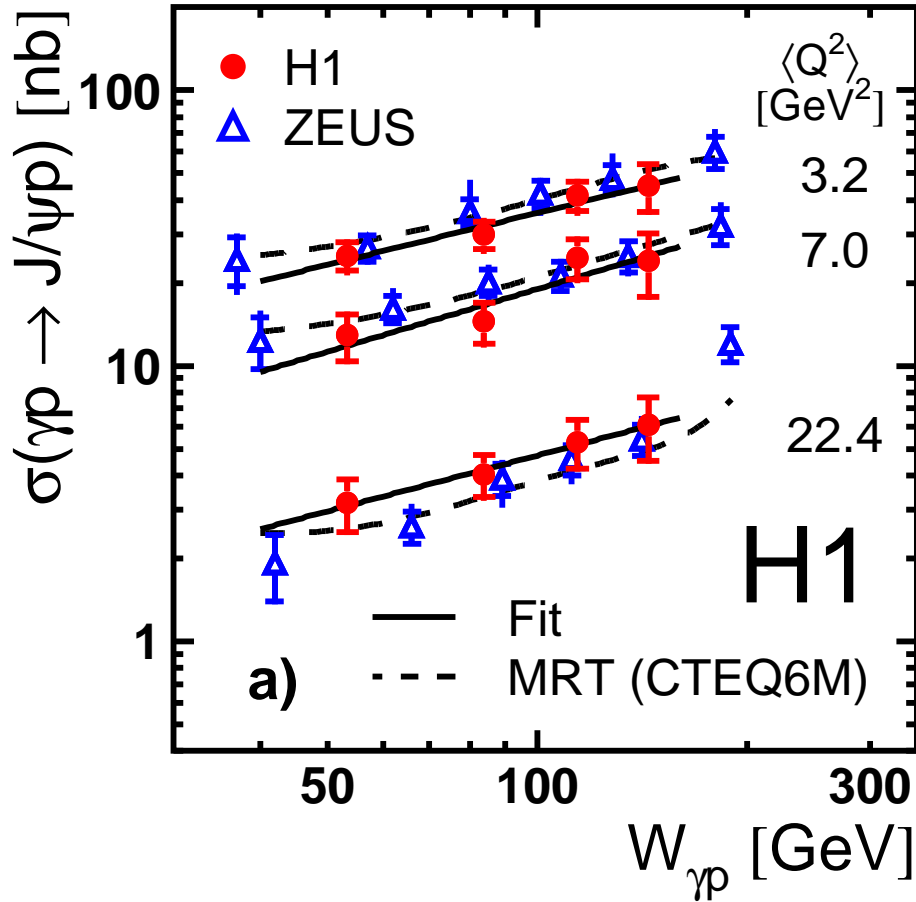


FMS: dipole model  $\longrightarrow$  OK

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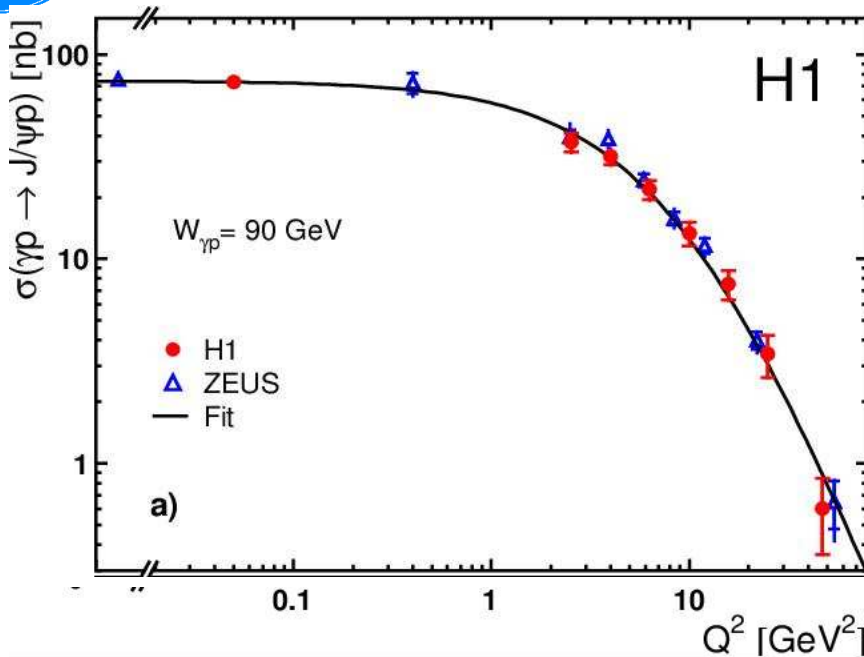
# Elastic $J/\psi$ - $W$ dependence in DIS



- No  $Q^2$  dependence of  $\delta$  within errors
- "Scale" is already hard, set by the charm quark mass



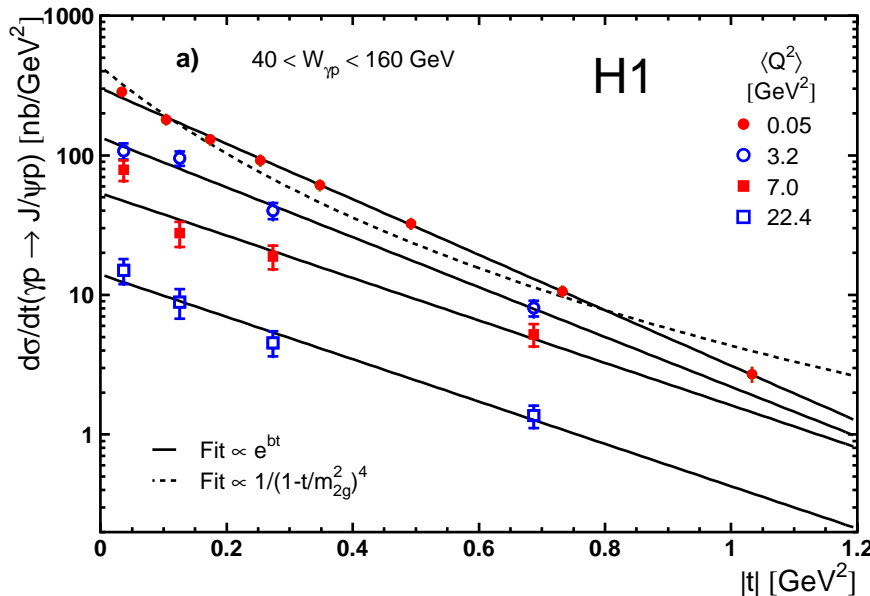
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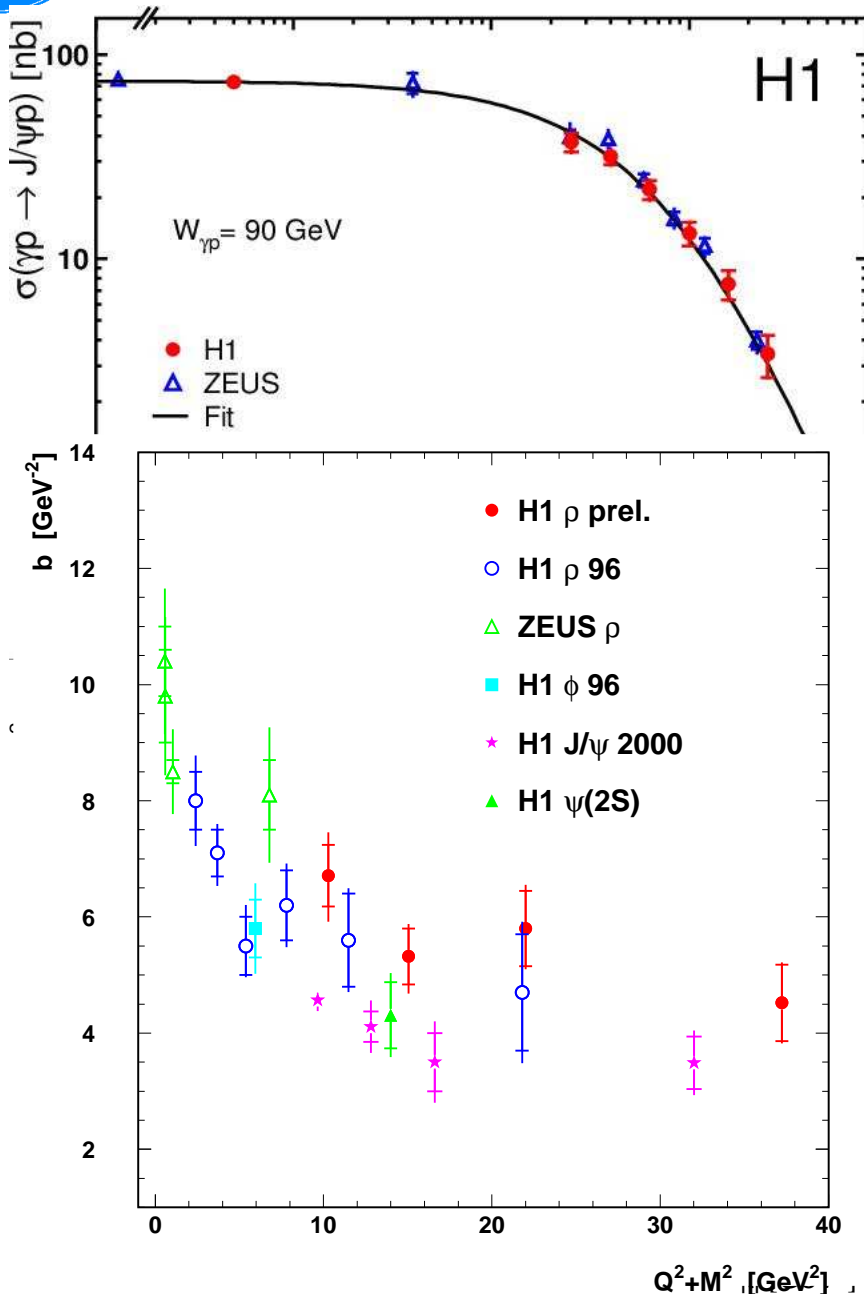
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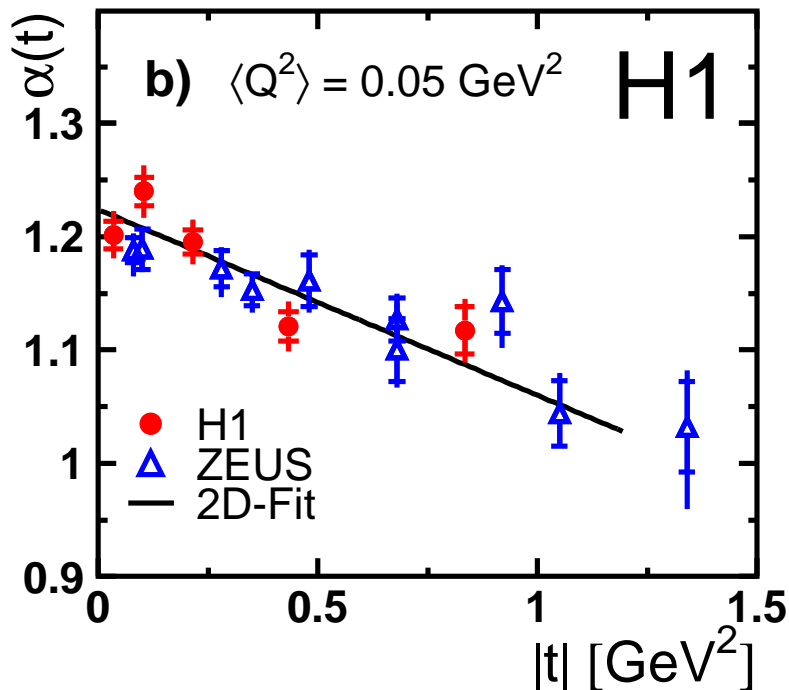
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$\rightarrow$  Universality with  $Q^2 + M_{VM}^2$

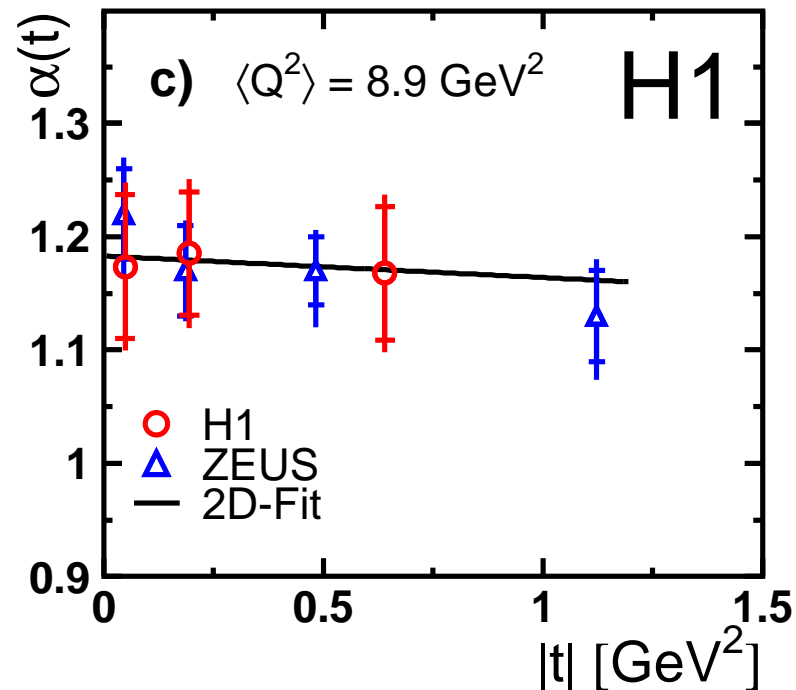


# Elastic $J/\psi$ - Pomeron trajectory

## Photoproduction



## Electroproduction



- **PhP:**  $\alpha(t) = (1.224 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.012) + (0.164 \pm 0.028 \pm 0.030) \text{ GeV}^{-2} t$

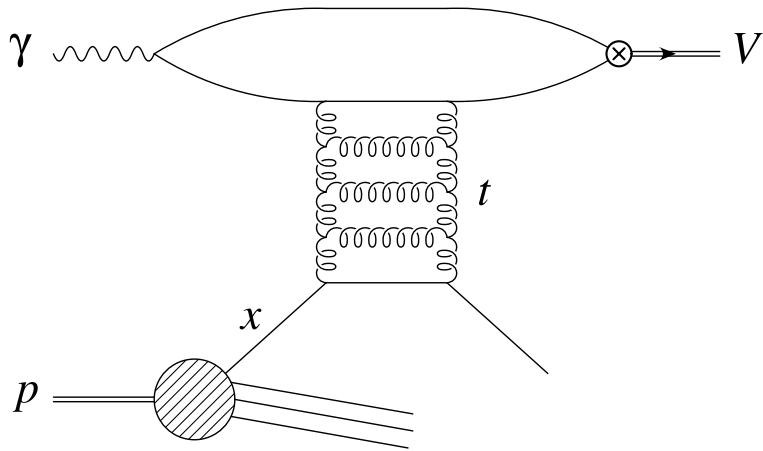
- **DIS:**  $\alpha(t) = (1.183 \pm 0.054 \pm 0.030) + (0.019 \pm 0.139 \pm 0.076) \text{ GeV}^{-2} t$

→ Similar trajectories within errors in PhP and DIS

→ **PhP:**  $0 \ll \alpha' \ll 0.25 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

# Vector Mesons at Large $|t|$

## VM photoproduction at large $|t|$ proposed as test of BFKL



- Need  $W^2 > |t| \rightarrow \sum_n \alpha_s^n \ln^n W^2 / |t|$
- BFKL model by Forshaw *et al.*:
  - Free parameters:  $\alpha_s^{BFKL}$ ,  $\Lambda^2$
  - Power like  $t$  dependence
  - Challenge is to describe both the  $t$  dependence and the helicity structure

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### H1: $\rho^0$ PhP at large $|t|$

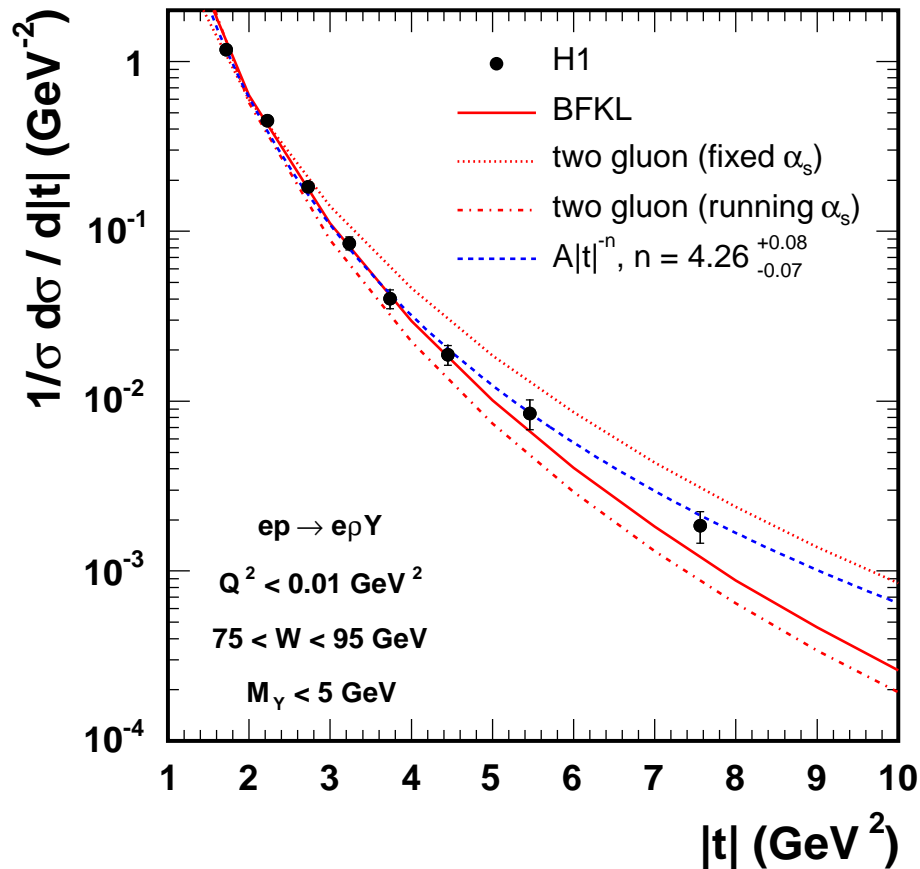
- 2000 data:  $\mathcal{L} = 20 \text{pb}^{-1}$
- $75 < W < 95 \text{ GeV}$
- $1.5 < |t| < 10 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $M_Y < 5 \text{ GeV}$  (Y=proton remnant)

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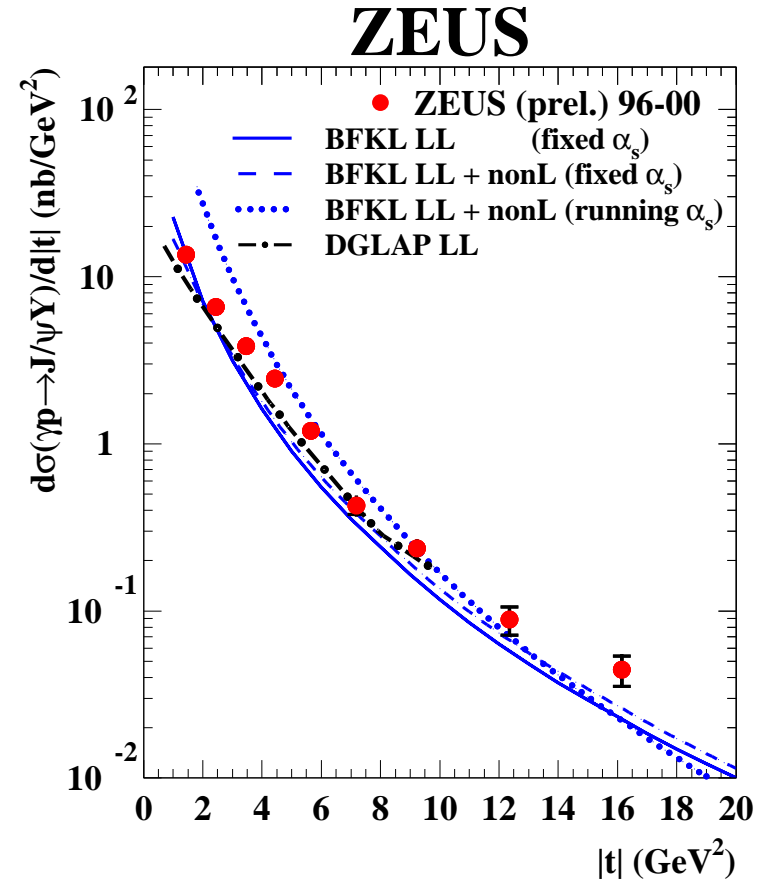
### ZEUS: $J/\psi$ PhP at large $|t|$

- 96-2000 data:  $\mathcal{L} = 112 \text{pb}^{-1}$
- $50 < W < 150 \text{ GeV}$
- $1 < |t| < 20 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $M_Y < 30 \text{ GeV}$

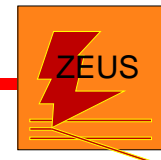
## $\rho^0$ PhP at large $|t|$



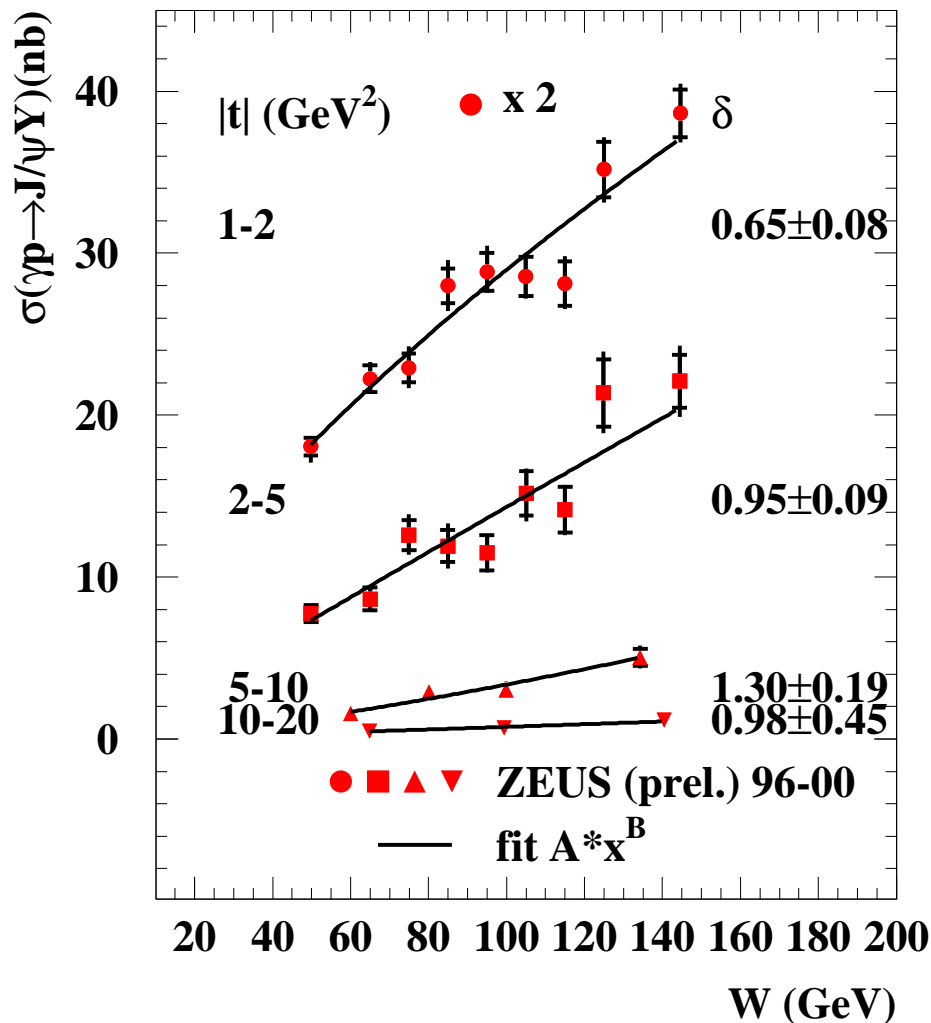
## $J/\psi$ PhP at large $|t|$



- Approx. power-like behaviour supported by data
- BFKL predictions (with fixed  $\alpha_s$ ) describe reasonably the data



## ZEUS



## $J/\psi$ PhP at large $|t|$

- Fit  $\sigma \propto W^\delta$  ;  $\delta = 4(\alpha_P(t) - 1)$

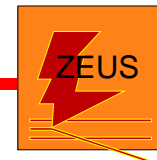
→  $\delta$  rise with  $|t|$

→ effective Pomeron trajectory:

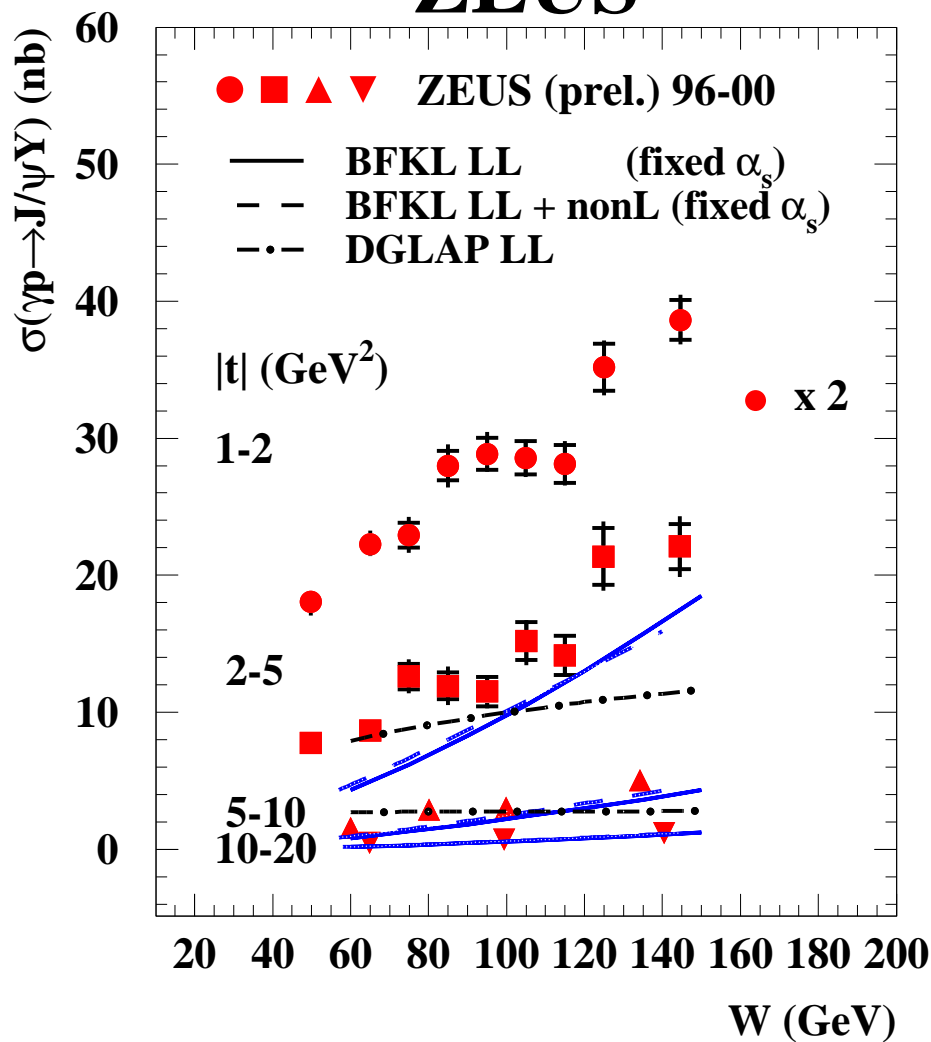
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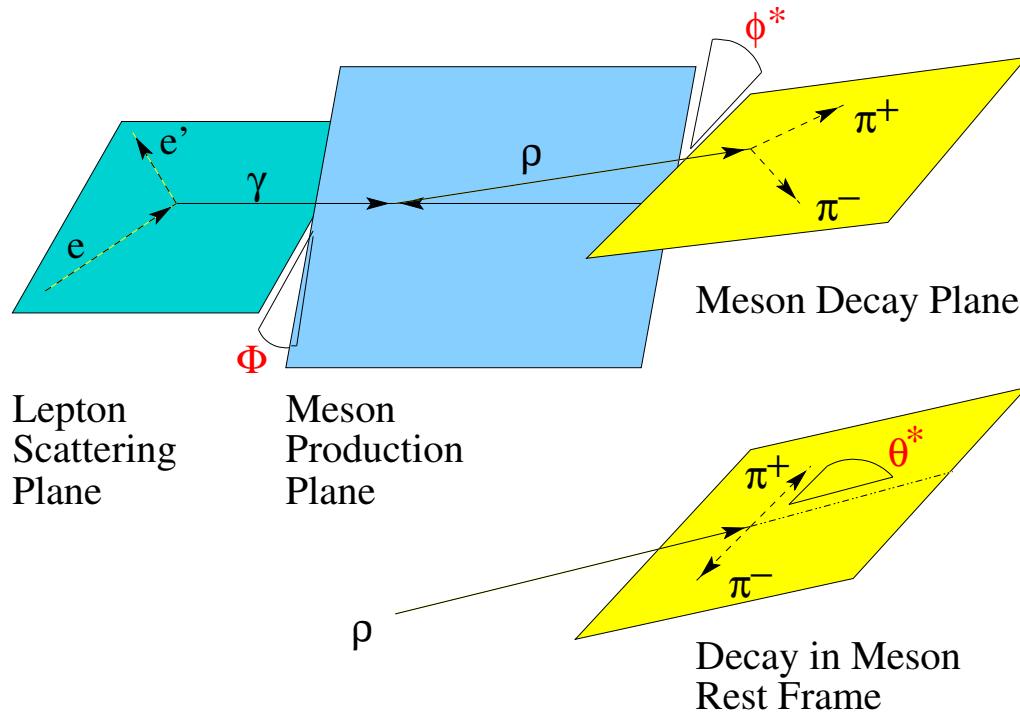
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- DGLAP does not describe rise with  $W$
- BFKL reproduces general behaviour of data

# VM at Large $|t|$ - Spin Density Matrix Elements



- Production & decay angles  
 $\rightarrow$  15 spin density matrix elements (SDME)

**But** only 3 accessible in PhP

- SDMEs = bilinear combinations on the helicity amplitudes

$$r_{kl}^{ij} \propto M_{\lambda_{VM}\lambda_\gamma} M_{\lambda'_{VM}\lambda'_\gamma}$$

$$r_{00}^{04} = \frac{|M_{+0}|^2}{|M_{++}|^2 + |M_{+0}|^2 + |M_{+-}|^2}$$

$$r_{10}^{04} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{M_{++}M_{+0}^* - M_{+-}M_{+0}^*}{|M_{++}|^2 + |M_{+0}|^2 + |M_{+-}|^2}$$

$$r_{1-1}^{04} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{M_{++}M_{+-}^* - M_{+-}M_{++}^*}{|M_{++}|^2 + |M_{+0}|^2 + |M_{+-}|^2}$$

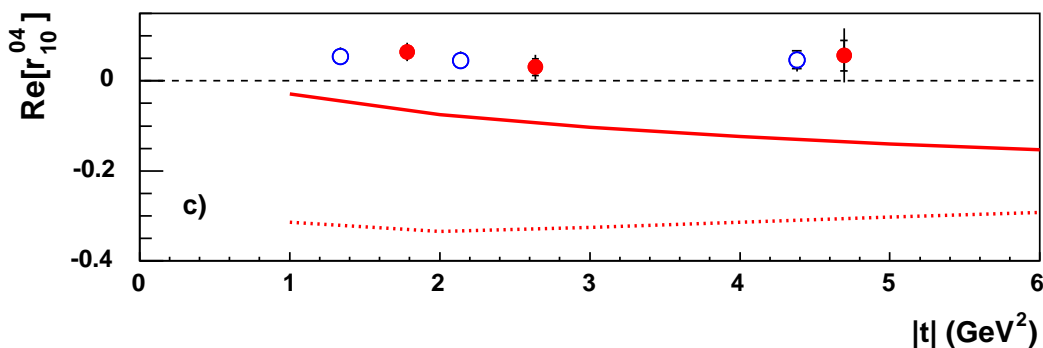
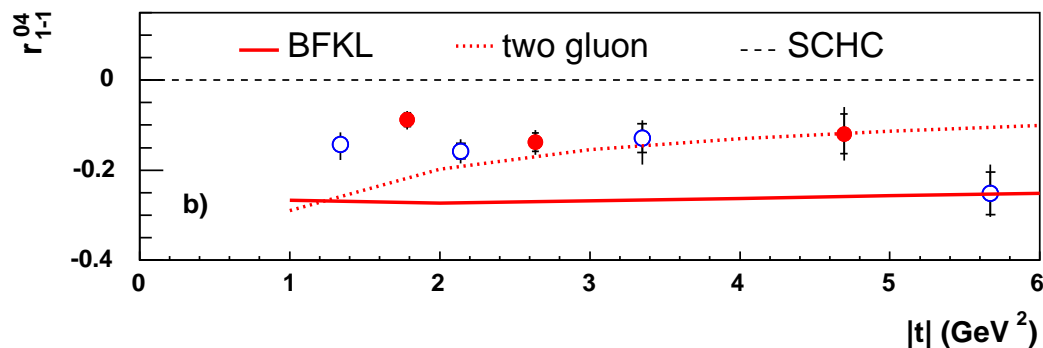
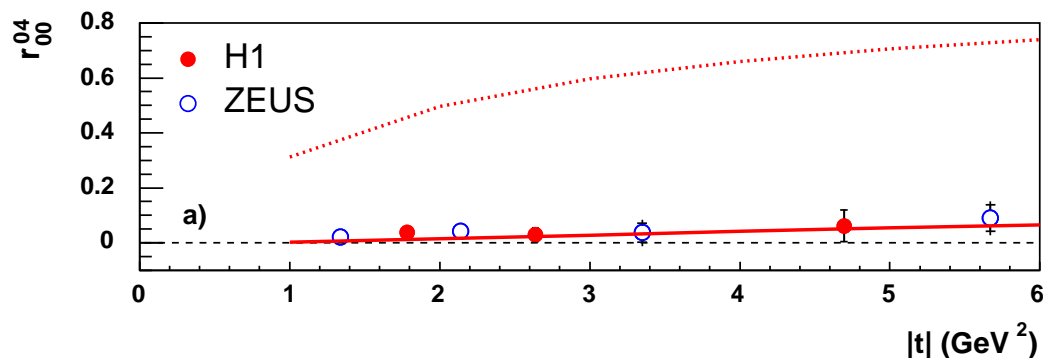
- No helicity flip:  $M_{++} / M_{--}$
- Single flip:  $M_{+0} / M_{-0}$
- Double flip:  $M_{+-} / M_{-+}$

- s-channel helicity conservation (SCHC), i.e.  $\lambda_{VM} = \lambda_\gamma$

$\rightarrow$  All 3 SDMEs to be zero



# VM at Large $|t|$ - Dependence of SDMEs on $|t|$



- Small  $r_{00}^{04}$  value ( $\sim 5\%$ )  
→  $\rho$  meson mainly transverse
- Two-gluon model hugely overestimates  $r_{00}^{04}$  but BFKL gives a good description
- $r_{1-1}^{04} \ll 0$  → SCHC violation with double flip contribution
- $r_{10}^{04} > 0$  → SCHC violation with single flip contribution
- BFKL model fails to describe  $r_{10}^{04}$  (as well as Two-gluon)

# CONCLUSION

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## First HERA-II DVCS cross sections versus $Q^2$ , $W$ and $t$ :

- H1 preliminary results in agreement with previous results
- $t$  slope measurement  $\longrightarrow$  Constraint theory normalisation
- NLO QCD predictions based on GPDs in agreement with data  $\longrightarrow$  Sensitivity to different GPD models

## Elastic $\rho^0$ photoproduction using the H1 Fast Track Trigger:

- Pomeron trajectory determined using data within one experiment
- $\alpha'$  significantly smaller than  $0.25 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

## Elastic $\phi$ and $J/\psi$ production:

- $\phi$ :  $\sigma \propto W^\delta$ ;  $\delta \sim 0.4 \longrightarrow$  between soft and hard regime
- $J/\psi$ :  $\sigma \propto W^\delta$ ;  $\delta \sim 0.7 \longrightarrow$  charm provide hard scale (at all  $Q^2$ )
- High sensitivity of elastic  $J/\psi$  to gluon at low  $x$  ?

## Vector mesons photoproduction at large $|t|$

- $W$  and  $t$  dependences are described by pQCD BFKL model
- BFKL model however fails to describe fully the helicity structure