

# Non-diagonal DVCS off pion with $\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$ transition GPDs

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## Study of $\gamma^* N \rightarrow \gamma(M)\pi N$ with transition GPD

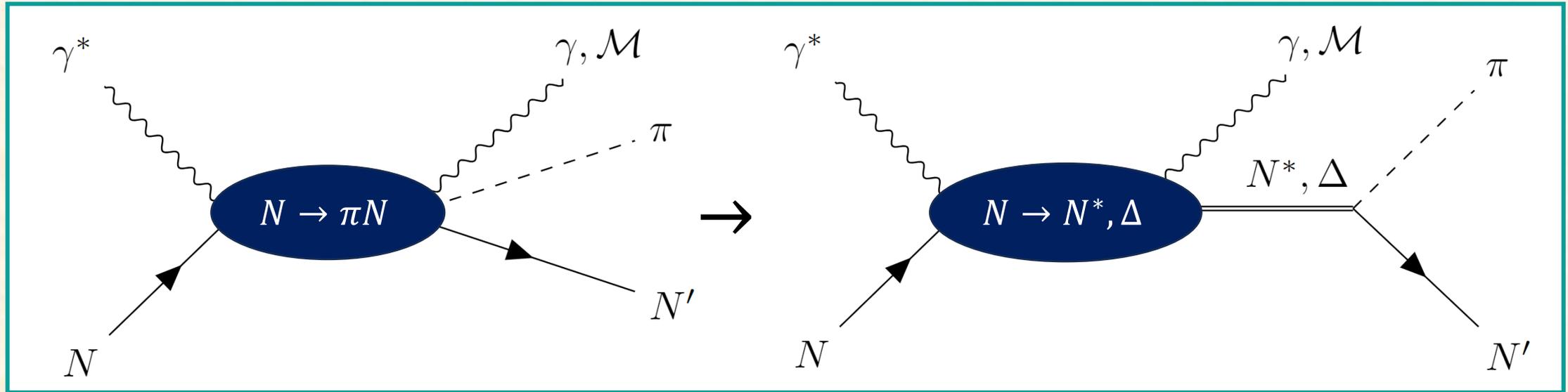
- I. **Excitation of hadrons** with non-local QCD probe (resonance region).
- II. Natural test ground of **the chiral dynamics** (near the threshold region).
- III. **Non-diagonal matrix elements** of the QCD energy-momentum tensor can be probed.

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Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 47, 401 (2001)

## Recent developments in the non-diagonal hard exclusive reactions

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Phys. Rev. D 108, 034021 (2023)
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- Measurement of  $\gamma^* p \rightarrow \pi^- \Delta^{++} \rightarrow \pi^- p \pi^+$  BSA by the CLAS collaboration S. Diehl et. al. (CLAS collaboration),  
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# Non-diagonal DVCS and DVMP



Transition GPD description with **resonance state** in non-diagonal reactions

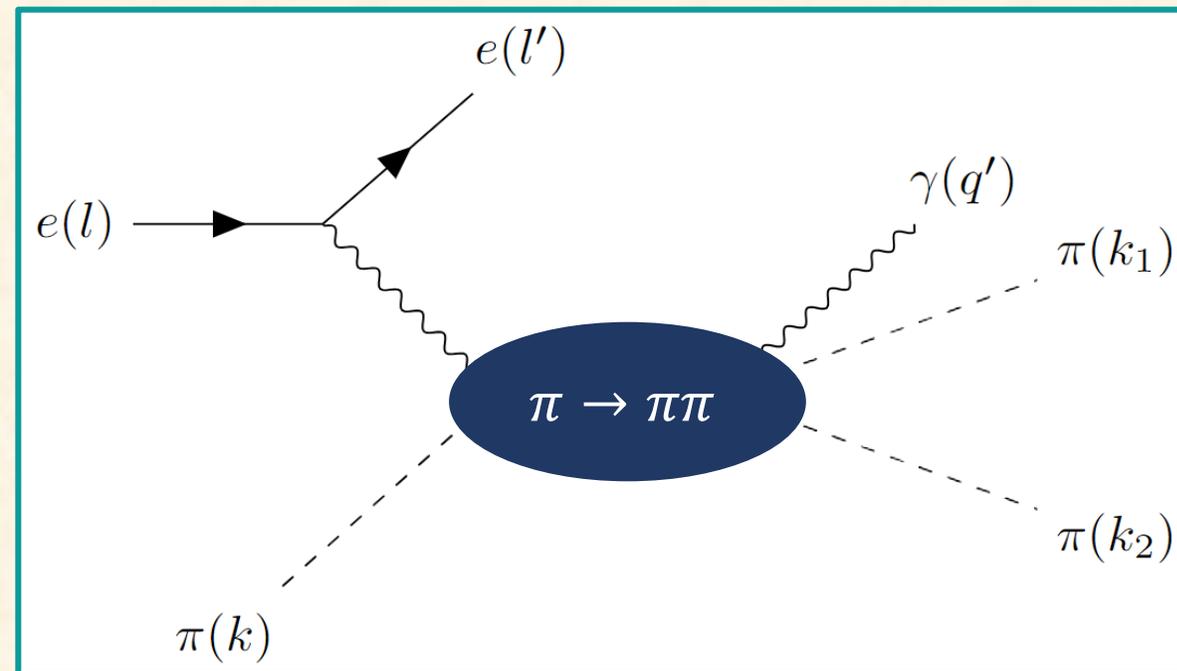
- Angular structure of  $N \rightarrow \pi N$  GPDs is investigated by the  $\pi NR$  interaction.
  - Dependence on the *invariant mass* is induced by the Breit-Wigner resonance formula.
- ✓ Transition GPDs such as  $N \rightarrow \pi N$  GPDs depend on more arguments;  
*the invariant mass* and *the solid angles* of produced hadronic states

# Non-diagonal DVCS and DVMP

✓ In this work, we study the non-diagonal DVCS of  $\gamma^* \pi \rightarrow \gamma \pi \pi$  to avoid complications due to hadron spin.

➤ Study the  $\pi \rightarrow \rho$  contribution to the  $\pi \rightarrow \pi \pi$  GPDs. Express the  $e \pi \rightarrow e \gamma \pi \pi$  cross section and work out its angular distribution near  $W_{\pi \pi} \simeq m_\rho$ .

➤ Apply the soft-pion theorem to determine the normalization condition for the  $\pi \rightarrow \pi \pi$  GPDs near  $W_{\pi \pi} \simeq 2m_\pi$ .



**An exercise to develop the framework of the partial wave analysis of transition GPDs for further generalization for  $N \rightarrow \pi N$  GPDs**

# $\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$ transition GPDs

- The GPDs are defined through hadronic matrix elements of the longitudinal projections of the light cone operator of the leading twist-2.
- The variables  $\alpha$  and  $t'$  are related to the decay angles  $\cos \phi_\pi^*$  and  $\cos \theta_\pi^*$  of the  $\pi\pi$  system.

## Unpolarized and polarized isoscalar $\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$ GPDs

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{ix\lambda n \cdot \bar{P}} \langle \pi^b(k_1) \pi^c(k_2) | \bar{\psi} \left( -\frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) \not{n} \psi \left( \frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) | \pi^a(k) \rangle \\
 = & \frac{1}{2\bar{P} \cdot n} i\epsilon(n, \bar{P}, \Delta, k_1) \frac{1}{f_\pi^3} i\epsilon^{abc} H^{(S)}(x, \xi, \alpha, t', \Delta^2, W_{\pi\pi}^2), \\
 & \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{ix\lambda n \cdot \bar{P}} \langle \pi^b(k_1) \pi^c(k_2) | \bar{\psi} \left( -\frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) \not{n} \gamma_5 \psi \left( \frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) | \pi^a(k) \rangle \\
 = & \frac{1}{2\bar{P} \cdot n} (\bar{P} \cdot n) \frac{1}{f_\pi} i\epsilon^{abc} \tilde{H}^{(S)}(x, \xi, \alpha, t', \Delta^2, W_{\pi\pi}^2),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$t' = (k - k_1)^2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{k_2 \cdot n}{(k_1 + k_2) \cdot n} = \frac{k_2 \cdot n}{1 - \xi}$$

$$\epsilon(a, b, c, d) = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} a_\mu b_\nu c_\alpha d_\beta$$

$f_\pi = 93$  MeV: the pion decay const.

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## Unpolarized and polarized isovector $\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$ GPDs

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{ix\lambda n \cdot \bar{P}} \langle \pi^b(k_1) \pi^c(k_2) | \bar{\psi} \left( -\frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) \not{n} \tau^d \psi \left( \frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) | \pi^a(k) \rangle \\
 = & \frac{1}{2\bar{P} \cdot n} i\epsilon(n, \bar{P}, \Delta, k_1) \frac{1}{f_\pi^3} \left[ \delta_{ab} \delta_{cd} H_1^{(V)}(x, \xi, \alpha, t', \Delta^2, W_{\pi\pi}^2) + \delta_{ac} \delta_{bd} H_2^{(V)}(x, \xi, \alpha, t', \Delta^2, W_{\pi\pi}^2) \right. \\
 & \left. + \delta_{ad} \delta_{bc} H_3^{(V)}(x, \xi, \alpha, t', \Delta^2, W_{\pi\pi}^2) \right], \\
 & \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{ix\lambda n \cdot \bar{P}} \langle \pi^b(k_1) \pi^c(k_2) | \bar{\psi} \left( -\frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) \not{n} \gamma_5 \tau^d \psi \left( \frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) | \pi^a(k) \rangle \\
 = & \frac{1}{2\bar{P} \cdot n} (\bar{P} \cdot n) \frac{i}{f_\pi} \left[ \delta_{ab} \delta_{cd} \tilde{H}_1^{(V)}(x, \xi, \alpha, t', \Delta^2, W_{\pi\pi}^2) + \delta_{ac} \delta_{bd} \tilde{H}_2^{(V)}(x, \xi, \alpha, t', \Delta^2, W_{\pi\pi}^2) \right. \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

# Soft-pion theorem

- Near the two-pion threshold,  $W_{\pi\pi} = 2m_\pi$ , the emitted pion is *soft*.
- The soft-pion theorem provides the normalization conditions of  $\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$  transition GPDs at threshold in terms of the pion GPD.
- **PCAC** relation allows us to write the pion field in terms of the axial current and by the LSZ reduction *soft pion reduces to the chiral rotation of the operator*.



## Soft-pion theorem

P. Pobylitsa, M. Polyakov, and M. Strikman, Phys. Rev. Lett. 87, 022001 (2001)

$$\langle \pi^b(k_1) \pi^c(k_2) | \mathcal{O}(z) | \pi^a(k) \rangle \Big|_{k_2 \rightarrow 0} = -\frac{i}{f_\pi} \langle \pi^b(k_1) | [Q_5^c, \mathcal{O}(z)] | \pi^a(k) \rangle + k_2^\mu R_\mu^c(k_2) \Big|_{k_2 \rightarrow 0}$$

- ✓ The chiral rotation of the isoscalar (isovector) lightcone operator

$$[Q_5^a, \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^\mu (1, \gamma_5) \tau^b \psi(z)] = i \epsilon^{abc} \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^\mu (\gamma_5, 1) \tau^c \psi(z)$$

$Q_5^a$ : axial charge

$R^a(k_2)$ : pole contribution

$$[Q_5^a, \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^\mu (1, \gamma_5) \psi(z)] = 0$$

# Soft-pion theorem

## Pion GPD of the leading twist

$$\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{iy\lambda n \cdot \bar{P}_\pi} \langle \pi^b(p'_\pi) | \bar{\psi} \left( -\frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) \not{n} \tau^c \psi \left( \frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) | \pi^a(p_\pi) \rangle = 2(\bar{P}_\pi \cdot n) i \epsilon^{abc} H_\pi^{(V)}(y, \zeta, t_\pi)$$

✓  $\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$  transition GPDs is normalized by the diagonal pion GPD at the threshold.

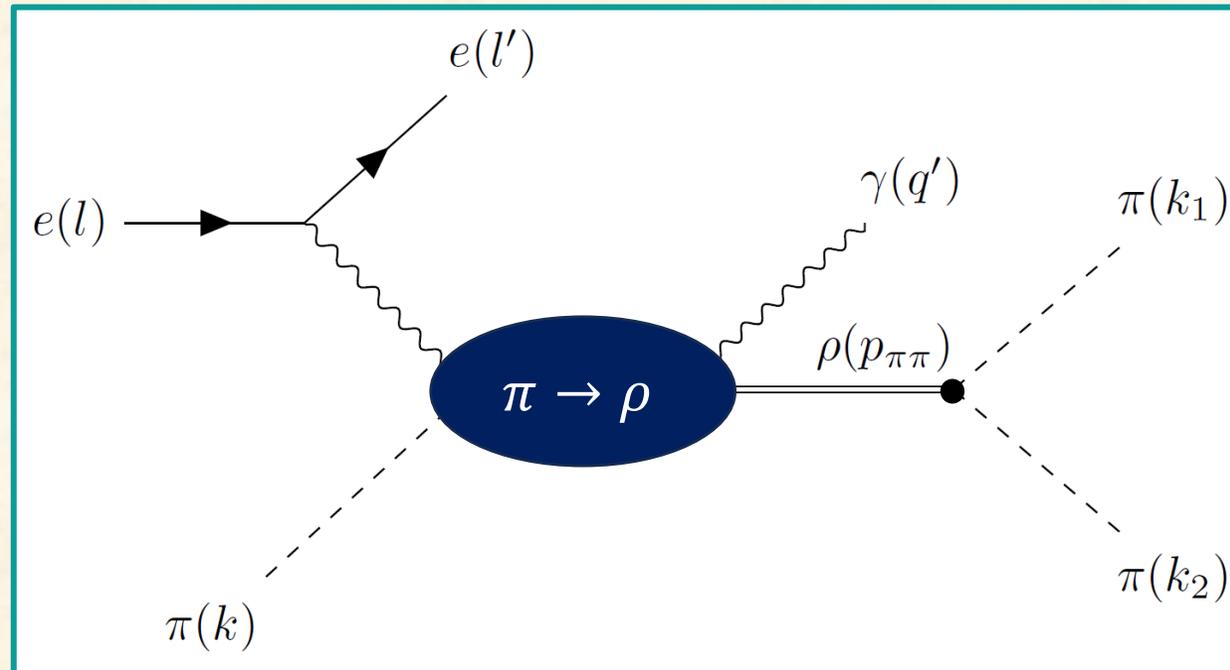
$$\zeta_1 = \frac{2\xi - (1 - \xi)\alpha}{2 - (1 - \xi)\alpha} \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta_2 = \frac{2\xi - (1 - \xi)(1 - \alpha)}{2 - (1 - \xi)(1 - \alpha)}$$

Ex) In the case that  $\pi(k_2)$  is taken to be soft

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H}_1^{(V)}(x, \xi, \alpha, t', \Delta^2, W_{\pi\pi}^2) &= 0 \\ \tilde{H}_2^{(V)}(x, \xi, \alpha, t', \Delta^2, W_{\pi\pi}^2) &= 2n \cdot (k + k_1) H_\pi^{(V)} \left( \frac{2x}{n \cdot (k + k_1)}, \zeta_1, t' \right) \theta \left( 1 - \left| \frac{2x}{n \cdot (k + k_1)} \right| \right) \\ \tilde{H}_3^{(V)}(x, \xi, \alpha, t', \Delta^2, W_{\pi\pi}^2) &= -2n \cdot (k + k_1) H_\pi^{(V)} \left( \frac{2x}{n \cdot (k + k_1)}, \zeta_1, t' \right) \theta \left( 1 - \left| \frac{2x}{n \cdot (k + k_1)} \right| \right) \end{aligned}$$

# $\pi \rightarrow \rho$ transition

- As  $\rho$ -meson is likely to decay into two pions the  $\pi \rightarrow \rho$  transition in the intermediate resonance state can be included.
- $\pi \rightarrow \rho$  transition GPDs (FFs) are accessed through the VCS (BH) amplitude.



✓ The  $\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi$  decay is described by the effective  $\rho\pi\pi$  Lagrangian

# $\pi \rightarrow \rho$ transition

## Effective Lagrangian for $\rho\pi\pi$ interaction

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rho\pi\pi} = g_{\rho\pi\pi} \epsilon_{abc} \rho_{\mu}^a \pi^b \partial^{\mu} \pi^c$$

O. Dumbrajs et al., Nucl. Phys. B 216, 277 (1983)

$g_{\rho\pi\pi}$ :  $\rho\pi\pi$  coupling

$\Gamma_{\rho}$ : decay width

$\mathcal{E}(p_{\rho}, \lambda)$ : polarization vector with helicity  $\lambda$

## $\rho$ -meson contribution to the $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\pi\pi$ amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}(e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\pi\pi) = g_{\rho\pi\pi} C_{\text{iso}} \frac{i}{W_{\pi\pi}^2 - m_{\rho}^2 + im_{\rho}\Gamma_{\rho}} \sum_{\lambda} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda}(e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\rho(p_{\pi\pi}, \lambda)) \mathcal{E}^{*}(p_{\pi\pi}, \lambda) \cdot (k_1 - k_2)$$

- Near  $W_{\pi\pi} \simeq m_{\rho}$ , the  $\pi \rightarrow \rho$  transition will dominantly contribute. We describe it with the Breit-Wigner form of the propagator and  $\rho\pi\pi$  coupling.

# $\pi \rightarrow \rho$ transition

## $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\pi\pi$ amplitude squared

- Integrating over the azimuthal angle  $\phi_\pi^*$  of  $\pi\pi$  system relates the  $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\pi\pi$  cross section to that of  $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\rho$ .

$$\int d\phi_\pi^* |\mathcal{M}(e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\rho \rightarrow e\gamma\pi\pi)|^2 = C_{\text{iso}}^2 \frac{g_{\rho\pi\pi}^2}{(W_{\pi\pi}^2 - m_\rho^2)^2 + m_\rho^2 \Gamma_\rho^2} \frac{16\pi}{3} |\vec{k}_1^*|^2 \times \sum_\lambda |\mathcal{M}_\lambda(e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\rho)|^2 \left[ \frac{3}{2} \cos^2 \theta_\pi^* \delta_{\lambda,0} + \frac{3}{4} \sin^2 \theta_\pi^* (\delta_{\lambda,1} + \delta_{\lambda,-1}) \right]$$

- Yields the angular distribution of the  $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\pi\pi$  cross section in the vicinity of the  $\rho$ -meson mass
- Explicit form of  $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\rho$  amplitude squared for each helicity state  $\lambda$  is required

$$|\vec{k}_1^*| = \frac{\Lambda(W_{\pi\pi}^2, m_\pi^2, m_\pi^2)}{2W_{\pi\pi}}$$

$\Lambda$ : Mandelstam ftn.

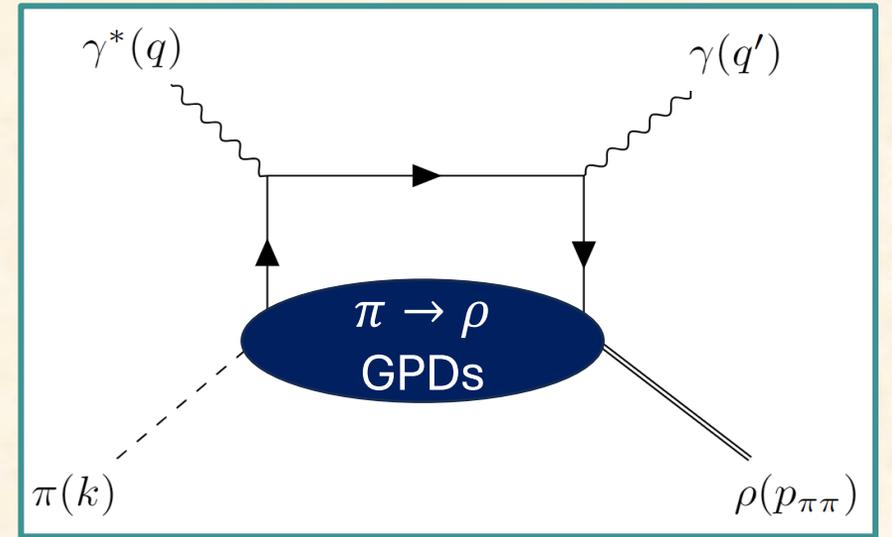
# $\pi \rightarrow \rho$ transition

$e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\rho$  amplitude (BH + DVCS)

$$\mathcal{M}_{VCS} = \frac{ie^3}{q^2} \mathcal{E}_\mu^*(q') \bar{u}(l') \gamma_\nu u(l) T^{\mu\nu}(\gamma^* \pi \rightarrow \gamma \rho)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{BH} = \frac{e^3 C_V}{\Delta^2} F_{\pi \rightarrow \rho}(\Delta^2) \epsilon_{\mu\alpha\beta\gamma} p_{\pi\pi}^\alpha k^\beta \mathcal{E}^{*\gamma}(p_{\pi\pi}) \mathcal{E}_\nu^*(q')$$

$$\times \bar{u}(l') \left[ \gamma^\nu \frac{1}{\not{l}' + \not{q}'} \gamma^\mu + \gamma^\mu \frac{1}{\not{l} - \not{q}'} \gamma^\nu \right] u(l)$$



$T^{\mu\nu}$  : the hadronic tensor

$C_V$  : the  $\gamma\pi\rho$  coupling

Unpolarized  $\pi \rightarrow \rho$  GPD

$$\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{i\lambda x} \sum_q e_q^2 \langle \rho(p_{\pi\pi}) | \bar{q} \left( -\frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) \not{n} q \left( \frac{\lambda n}{2} \right) | \pi(k) \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\bar{P} \cdot n} C_V \epsilon(n, \mathcal{E}^*, \bar{P}, \Delta) H^{\pi \rightarrow \rho}(x, \xi, t)$$

Polarized  $\pi \rightarrow \rho$  GPDs

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$$= \frac{1}{2\bar{P} \cdot n} \frac{i}{f_\pi} \left[ (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot \Delta) (\bar{P} \cdot n) \tilde{H}_1^{\pi \rightarrow \rho}(x, \xi, t) + m_\rho^2 (\mathcal{E}^* \cdot n) \tilde{H}_2^{\pi \rightarrow \rho}(x, \xi, t) \right]$$

# Phenomenological models for $\pi \rightarrow \rho$ GPDs

## 1. Factorized model for the unpolarized GPD

$$H^{\pi \rightarrow \rho}(x, \xi, t) = q(x, \xi) F_{\pi \rightarrow \rho}(t)$$

$\xi$ -independent forward parton distribution

$$q(x) = N x^{-1/2} (1-x)^3 \theta(x)$$

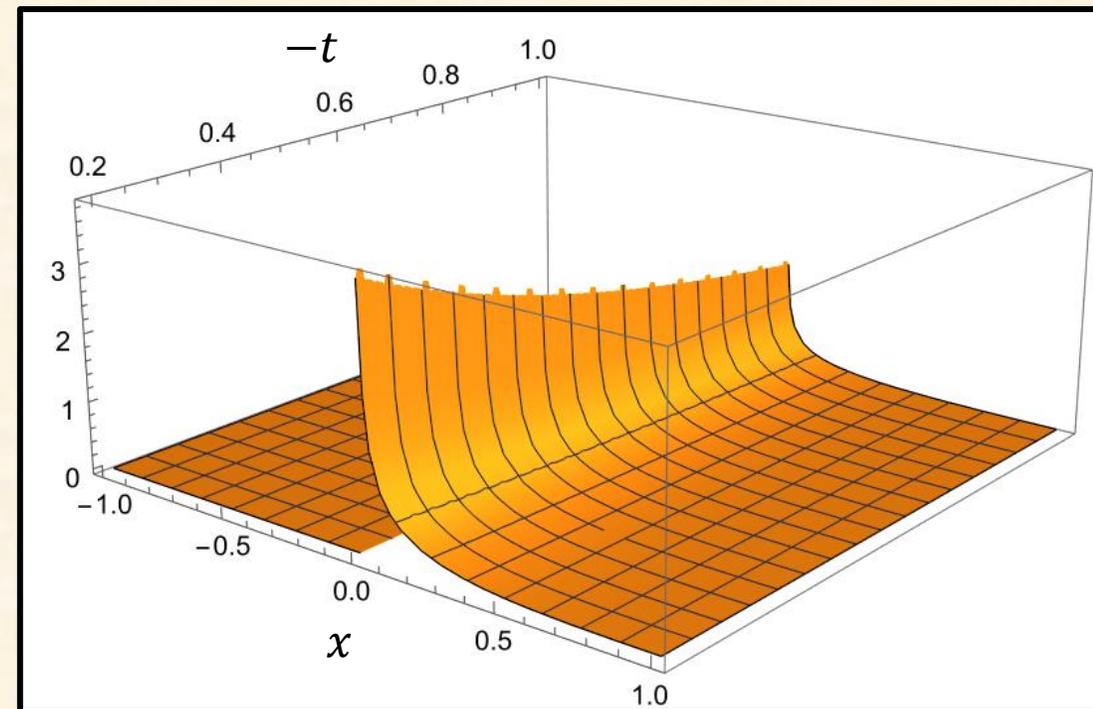
✓ Valence-type quark distribution

$$N = 1.09375 \quad \leftarrow \quad 1 = \int_{-1}^1 dx q(x)$$

- Simple Ansatz for GPD: factorized  $t$ -dependence
- Forward limit and Mellin moment conditions are satisfied

$$F(t) = \int_{-1}^1 dx H(x, \xi, t) \quad q(x) = H(x, \xi, t = 0)$$

Unpolarized GPD,  $H^{\pi \rightarrow \rho}(x, \xi, t)$

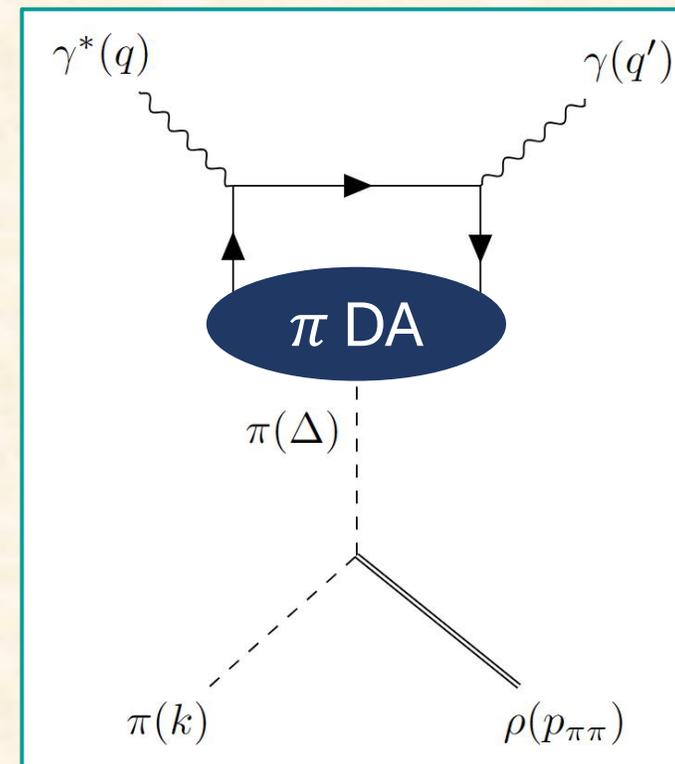
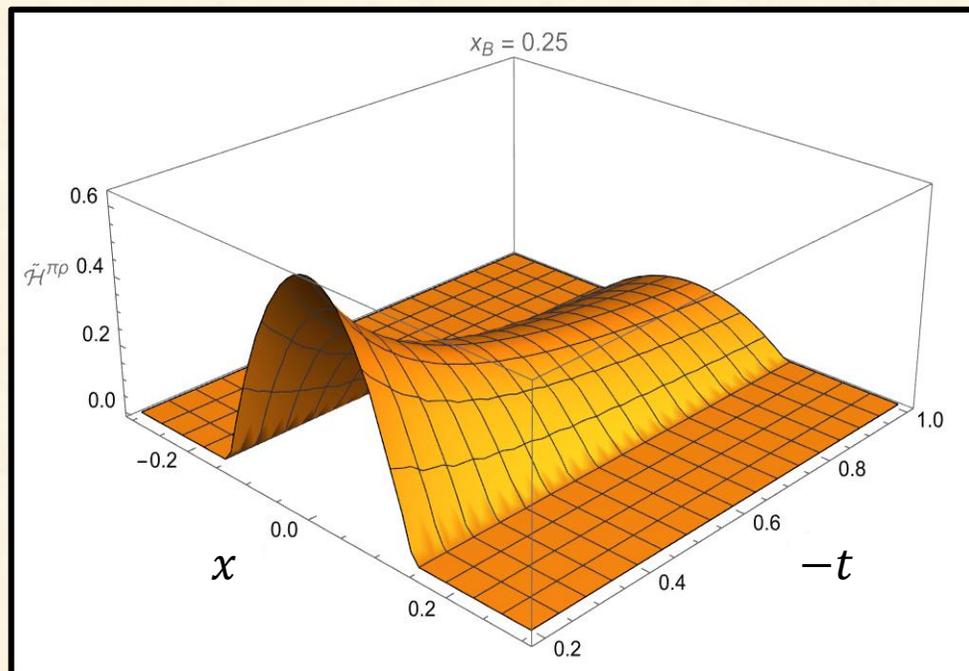


# Phenomenological models for $\pi \rightarrow \rho$ GPDs

## 2. Pion pole model for the polarized GPD

- Pion pole contribution to the matrix elements of the non-local operator,  $\langle \rho | \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi(0) | \pi \rangle$
- expressed through the pion distribution amplitude (DA) and the  $\rho\pi\pi$  coupling

Polarized GPD,  $\tilde{H}_1^{\pi \rightarrow \rho}(x, \xi, t)$



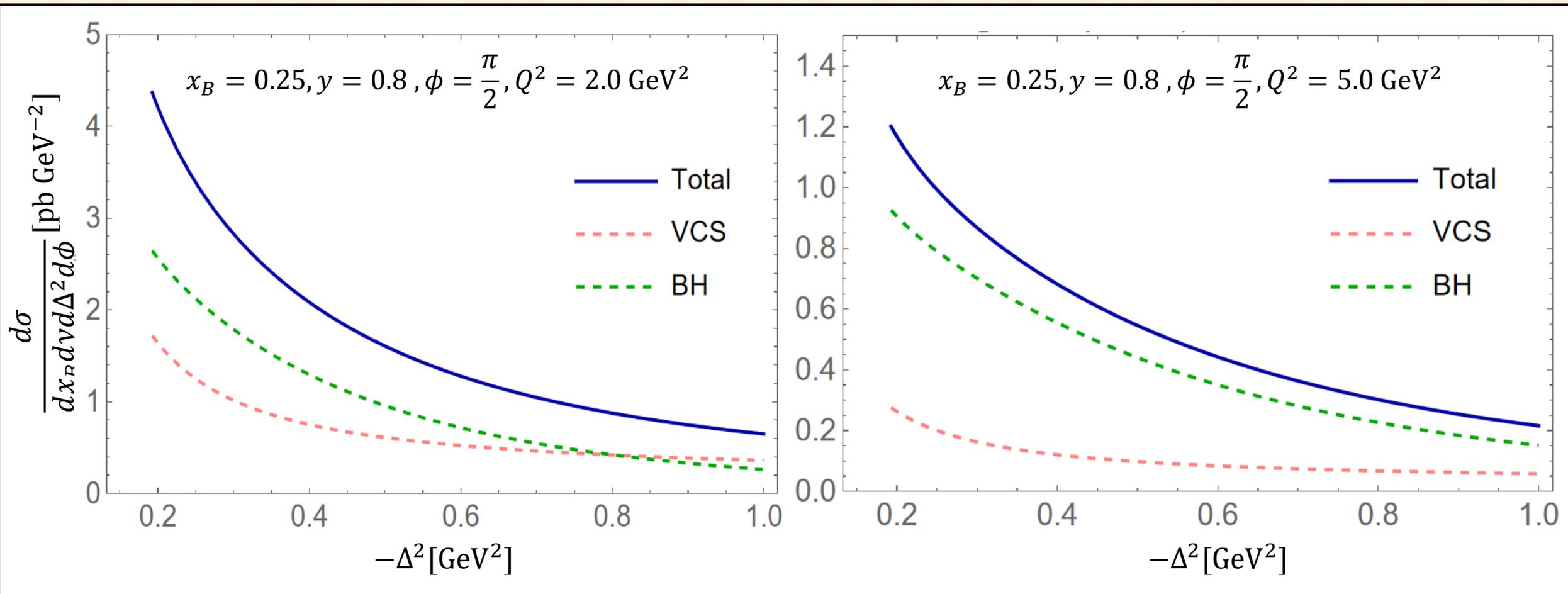
$$\tilde{H}_1^{\pi \rightarrow \rho}(x, \xi, t) = \phi_\pi\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) \theta(\xi - |x|) \frac{1}{6} \frac{4f_\pi^2 g_{\rho\pi\pi}}{m_\pi^2 - t}$$

$$\tilde{H}_2^{\pi \rightarrow \rho}(x, \xi, t) = 0$$

Asymptotic form of the pion DA

$$\phi_\pi(u) = \frac{3}{4}(1 - u^2)$$

# $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\rho$ cross section



Differential cross section in the unit of  $\text{pb GeV}^{-2}$

$$\frac{d\sigma(e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\rho)}{dx_B dy d\Delta^2 d\phi}$$

$y$  : lepton energy loss

$x_B$  : Bjorken  $x$

$\phi$  : azimuthal angle between  
leptonic and hadronic plane

# Summary

- Transition GPDs arise in a description of non-diagonal hard exclusive reactions provide information on the dynamics of the hadron excitations in terms of partonic degrees of freedom.
- We study the  $\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$  GPDs describing the  $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\pi\pi$  reaction near the regions where  $W_{\pi\pi} \simeq 2m_\pi$  and  $W_{\pi\pi} \simeq m_\rho$ .
- The  $\pi \rightarrow \rho$  contribution is included and the dependence of the  $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\pi\pi$  cross section on the angles of the  $\pi\pi$  c.m. system is studied in the vicinity of  $\rho$  mass.
- Phenomenological model for GPDs based on the pion pole dominance is adopted to estimate the  $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\rho$  cross section.

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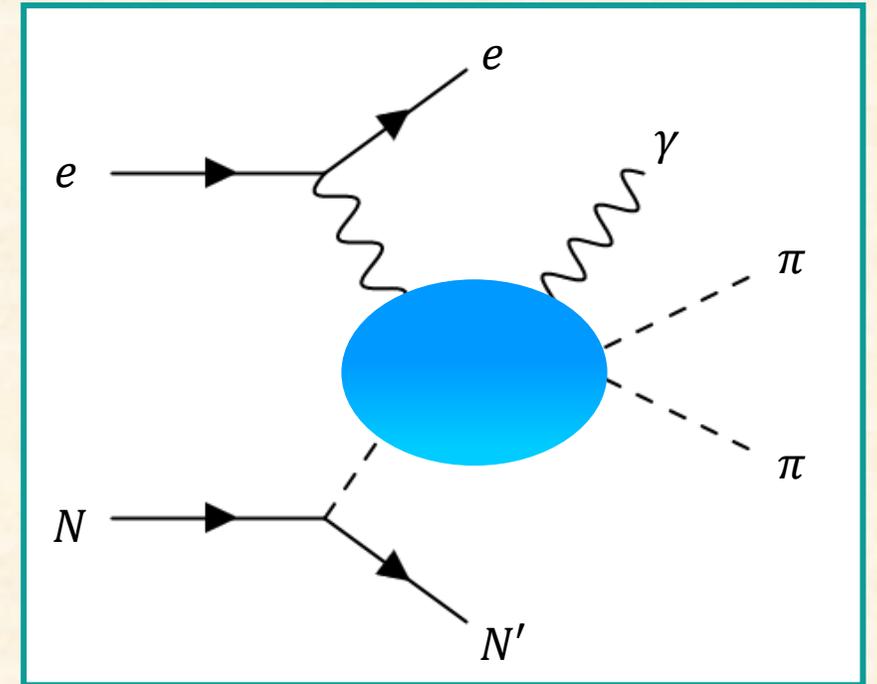
## The Sullivan-type of process, $eN \rightarrow e\gamma N'\pi\pi$

- DVCS reaction of  $e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\pi\pi$  can be accessed through the pion emission from the Sullivan process.
- Near the threshold of pion production, the momentum transfer between nucleons is small.

Factorized into two subprocesses



$$\mathcal{M}_{eN \rightarrow eN\gamma\pi\pi} = \mathcal{M}_{N \rightarrow N\pi} \mathcal{M}_{e\pi \rightarrow e\gamma\pi\pi}$$



- ✓ The meson cloud can be approximated by *the one-pion-exchange*.
- ✓ The intermediate pion is *slightly off-shell*.