



# PHYSICS OF GENERALIZED PARTON DISTRIBUTIONS

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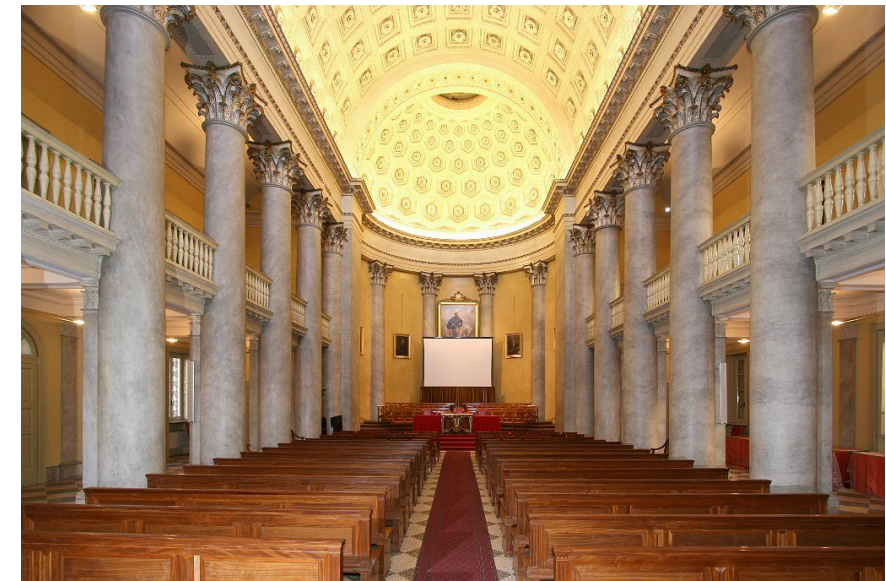


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Founded in 1361, it is one of the oldest universities in the world

24000 students, 18 departments,  
85 different courses  
and 18 colleges



**Hadron Physics Group**  
at the Department of Physics:  
3 permanent staff  
1 PhD students  
3 postdocs  
a large network of collaborators

# Plan of lectures

0. Brief introduction
1. Partonic interpretation of Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs)
2. Multidimensional picture of the proton in the 1+2D
3. Sum rule for Angular Momentum
4. Form Factors of Energy Momentum Tensor
5. Observables for GPDs

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## Pedagogical lecture notes

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## Pedagogical intro to PDFs and their generalizations

Cédric Lorcé, Andreas Metz, BP, Peter Schweitzer, to appear in the arXiv by the end of July

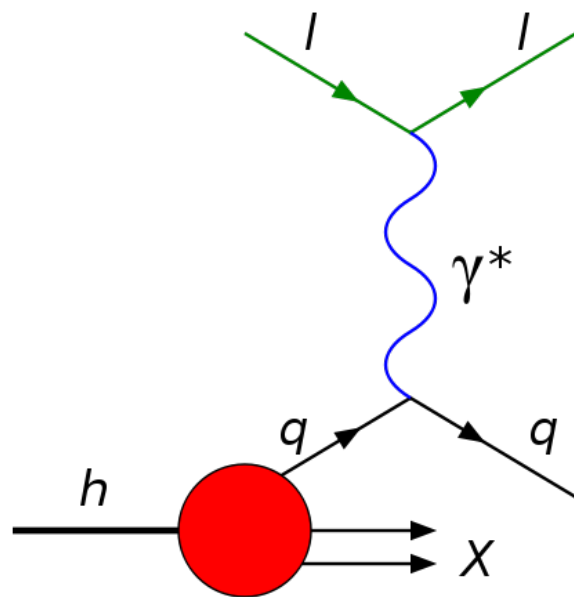


# Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs)

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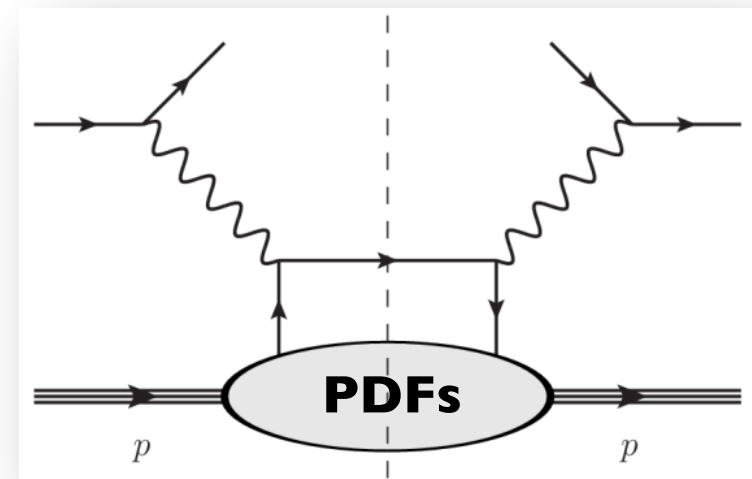
$$Q^2 \gg$$

$$\nu \gg$$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu} \text{ finite}$$



## Deep Inelastic Scattering



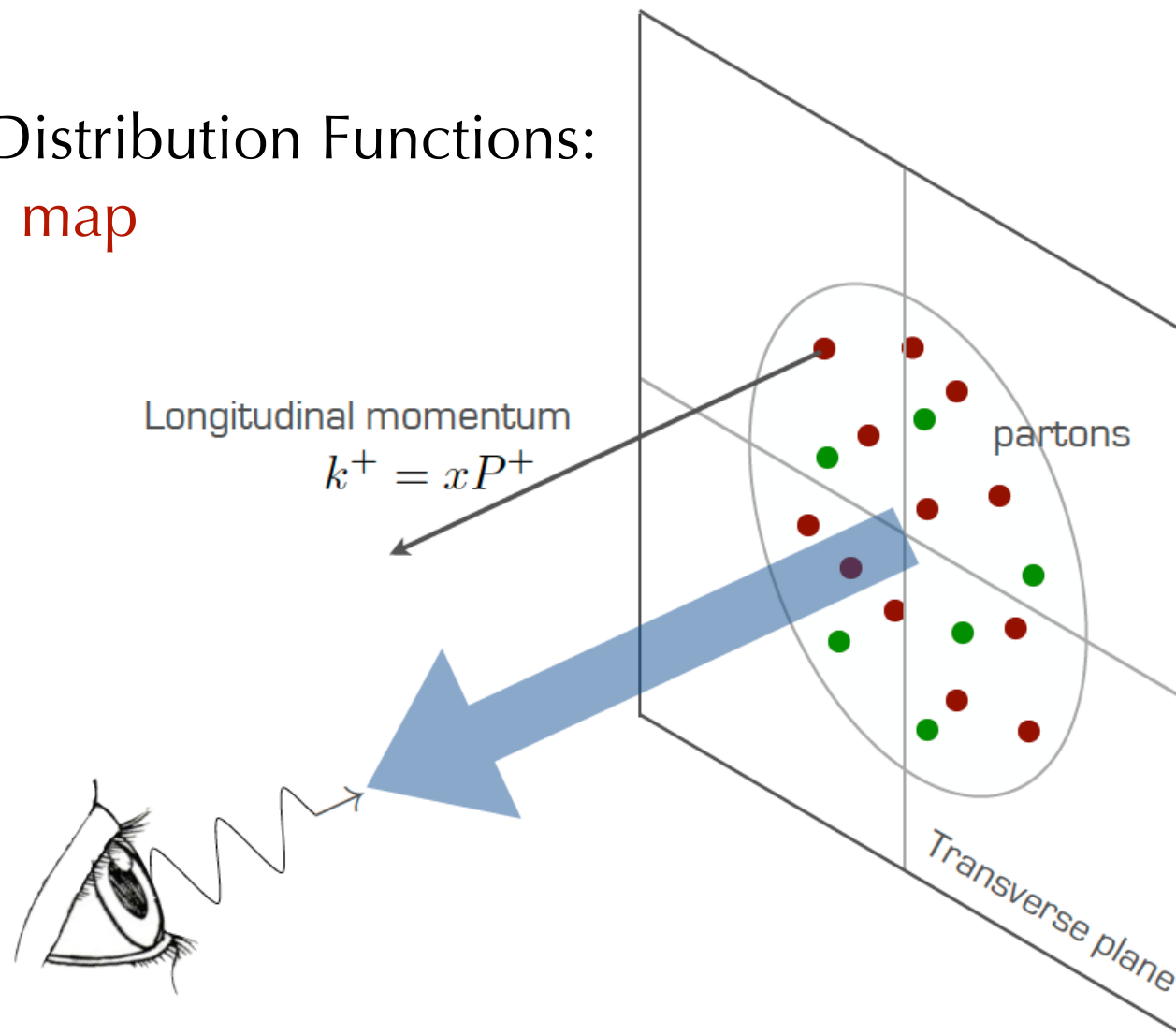
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Parton Distribution Functions:  
1D+0D map



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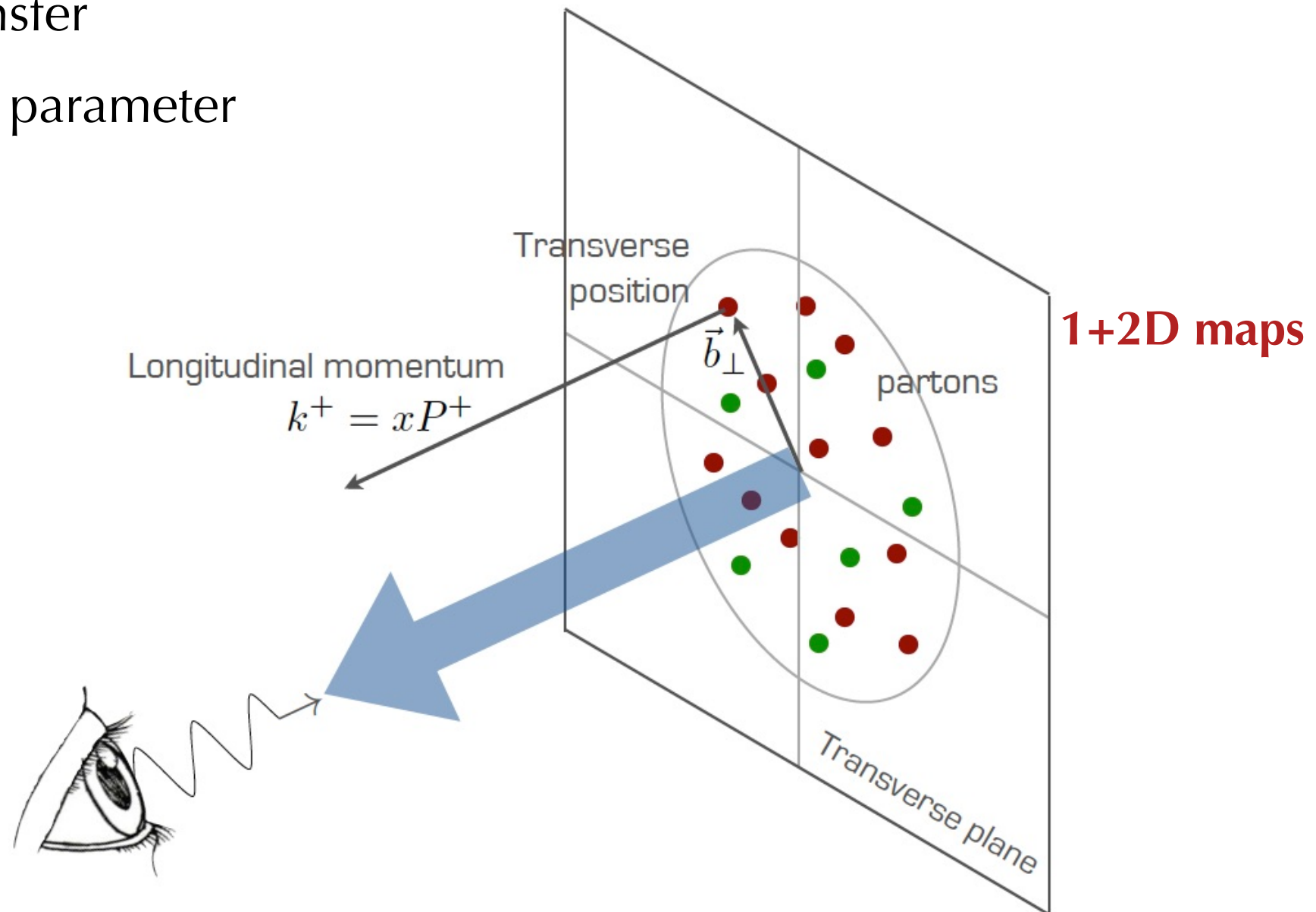
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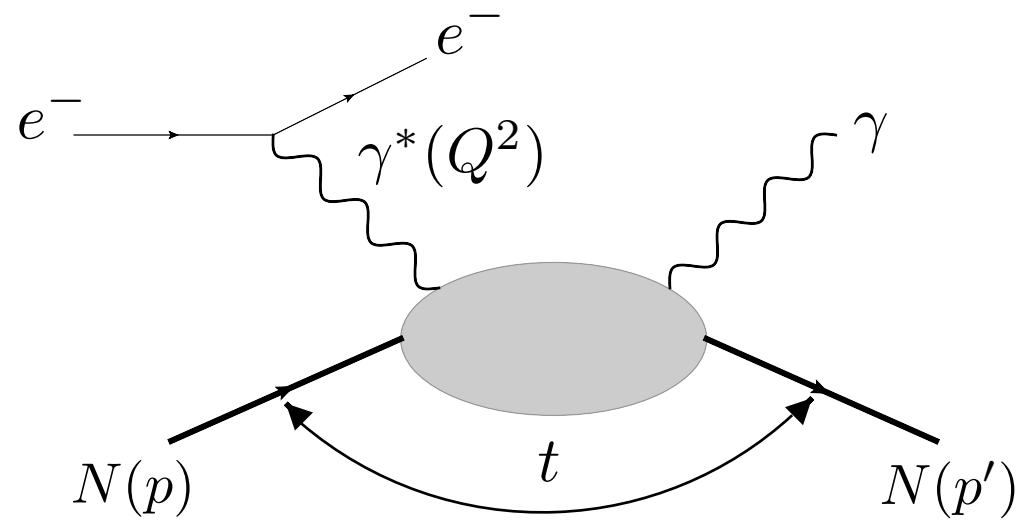
$\Delta$ : momentum transfer

$\vec{b}_\perp \xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}} \vec{\Delta}_\perp$ : impact parameter

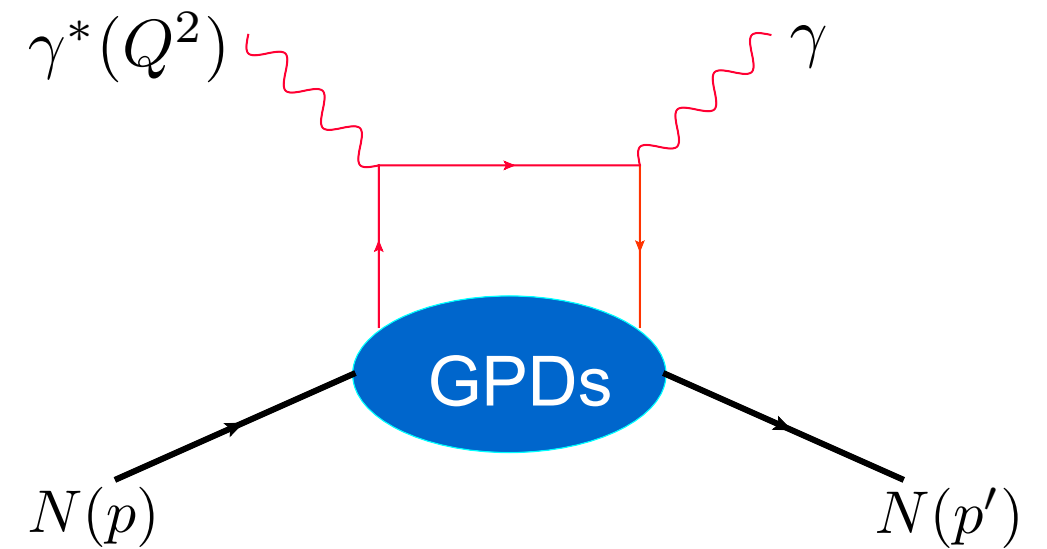
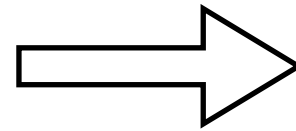
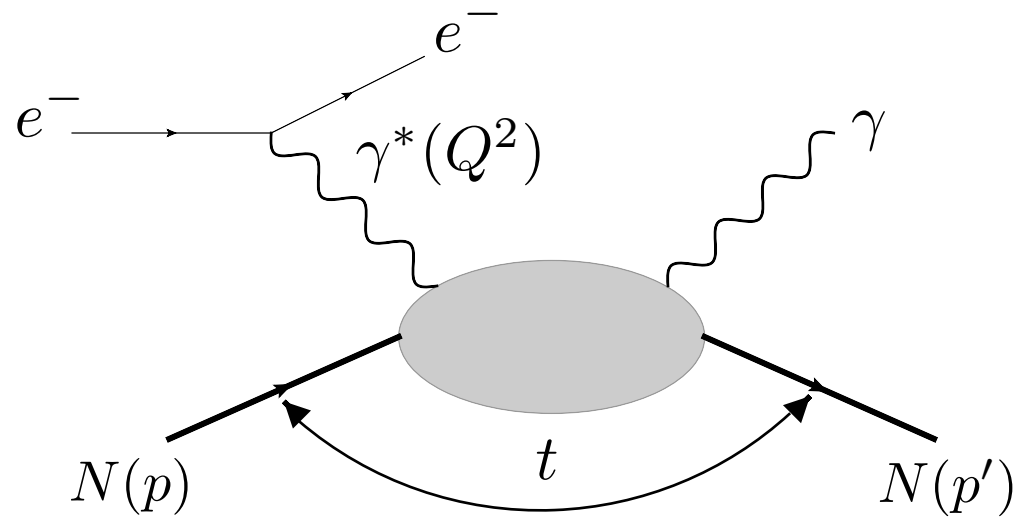
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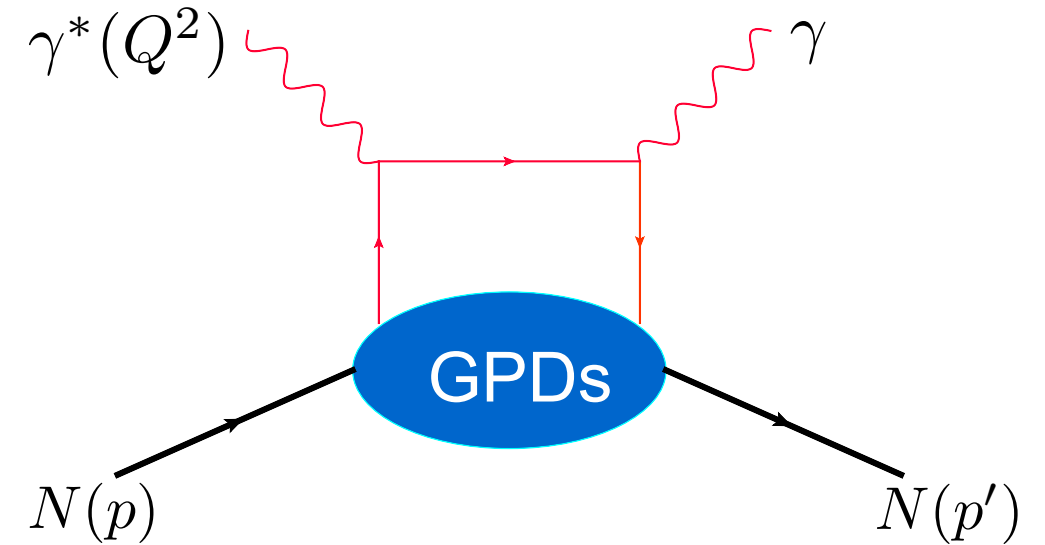
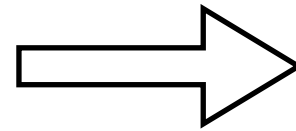
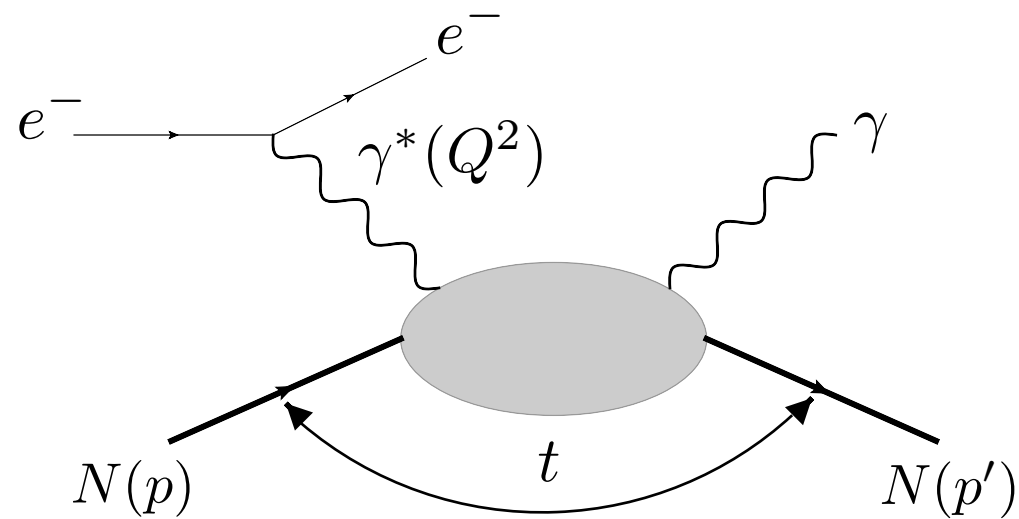
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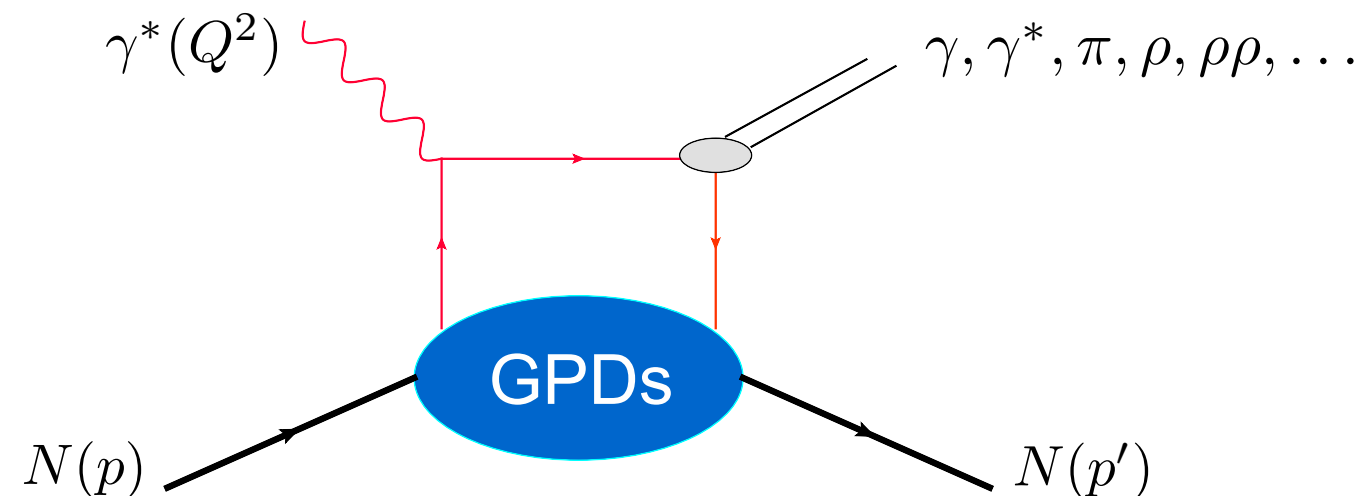
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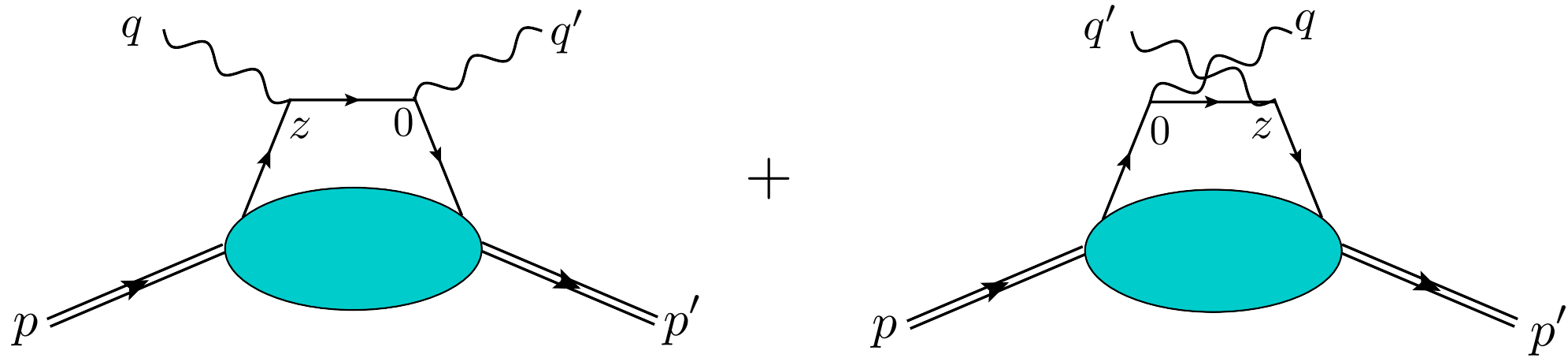
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universality: the same GPDs enter a variety of exclusive reactions

# DVCS at leading-order



$$H^{\mu\nu} = i \int d^4 z e^{-iq \cdot z} \langle p' | T[J^\mu(0) J^\nu(z)] | p \rangle = i \int d^4 z e^{iq' \cdot z} \langle p' | T[J^\mu(z) J^\nu(0)] | p \rangle$$

In the Bjorken limit and at Leading Order (LO) in  $1/Q$ :

$$H_{LO}^{\mu\nu} = -g_T^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{F} - i\varepsilon_T^{\mu\nu} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}$$

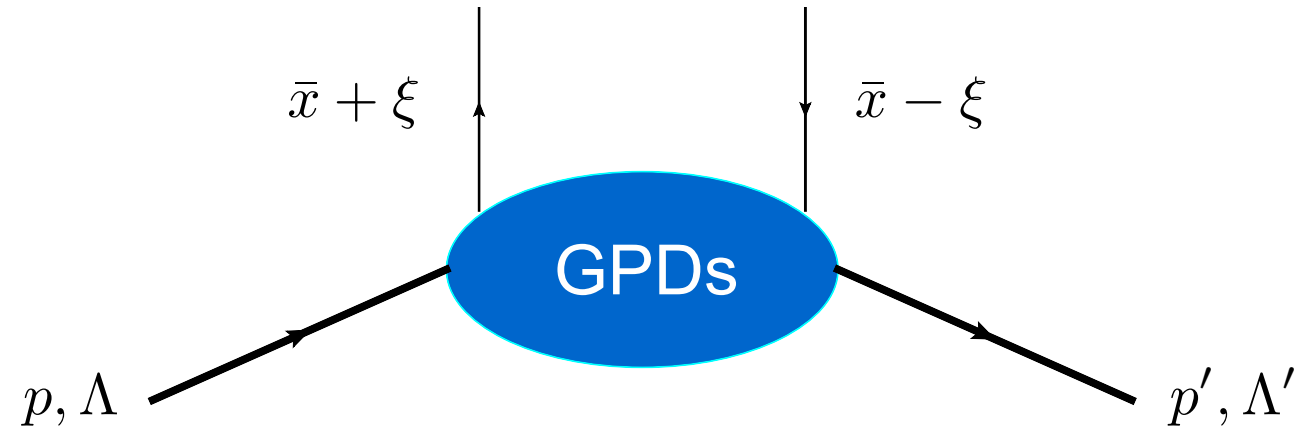
$$\mathcal{F} = \sum_q e_q^2 \int_{-1}^{+1} d\bar{x} C^+(\bar{x}, \xi) \Phi^{q, \gamma^+}(\bar{x}, \xi, t)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}} = \sum_q e_q^2 \int_{-1}^{+1} d\bar{x} C^-(\bar{x}, \xi) \Phi^{q, \gamma^+ \gamma_5}(\bar{x}, \xi, t)$$

$$\text{GPD correlator: } \Phi^{q, [\Gamma]}(\bar{x}, \xi, t) = \langle p', \Lambda' | \int \frac{dz^-}{4\pi} e^{i\bar{x}P^+z^-} \bar{\psi}\left(-\frac{z}{2}\right) \Gamma \psi\left(\frac{z}{2}\right) | p, \Lambda \rangle_{|_{z^+=0, \vec{z}_\perp=0}}$$

$$\text{Hard scattering coefficients: } C^\pm(\bar{x}, \xi) = \frac{1}{\bar{x} - \xi + i\epsilon} \pm \frac{1}{\bar{x} + \xi - i\epsilon}$$

# Leading-Twist GPDs



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➤  $p \neq p' \Rightarrow$  GPDs depend on two momentum fractions  $\bar{x}$ ,  $\xi$ , and  $t$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{(k + k')^+}{(p + p')^+} = \frac{\bar{k}^+}{P^+}$$

$$\xi = \frac{(p - p')^+}{(p + p')^+} = -\frac{\Delta^+}{2P^+}$$

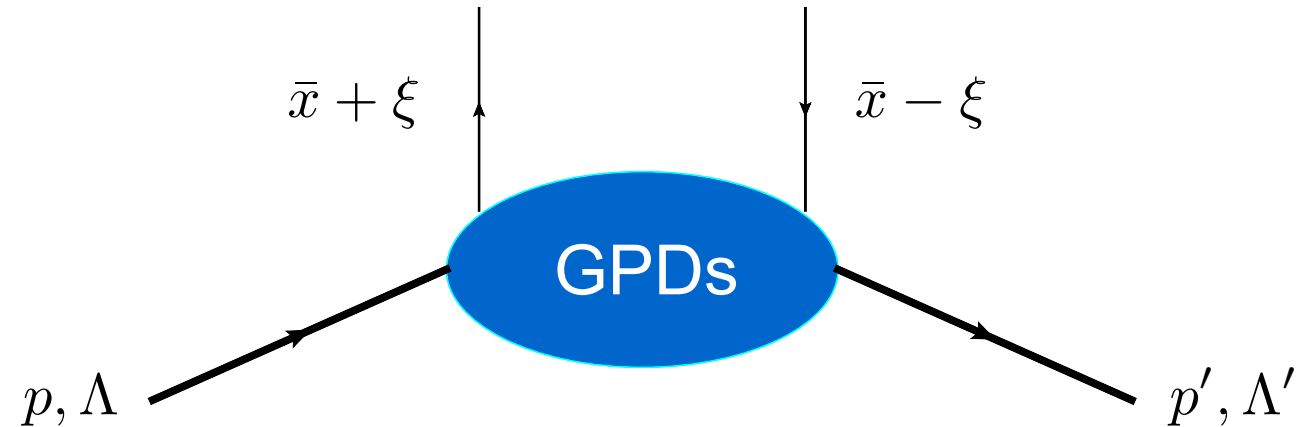
$$t = (p - p')^2 \equiv \Delta^2$$

average fraction of the longitudinal momentum carried by partons

skewness parameter: fraction of longitudinal momentum transfer

t-channel momentum transfer squared

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► DVCS amplitudes involve Compton Form Factors:

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$$\text{Re}\mathcal{H} \stackrel{\text{LO}}{=} \mathcal{P} \int_{-1}^1 d\bar{x} \frac{H(\bar{x}, \xi, t)}{\bar{x} - \xi} \qquad \text{Im}\mathcal{H} \stackrel{\text{LO}}{=} H(\xi, \xi, t)$$

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$$\left( 1 + \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} + \dots \right)$$

The diagrams represent the expansion of the path integral. Diagram 1 is a single vertical line with a dot at the top. Diagram 2 is a vertical line with a dot at the top and a horizontal line segment. Diagram 3 is a vertical line with a dot at the top and two horizontal line segments.

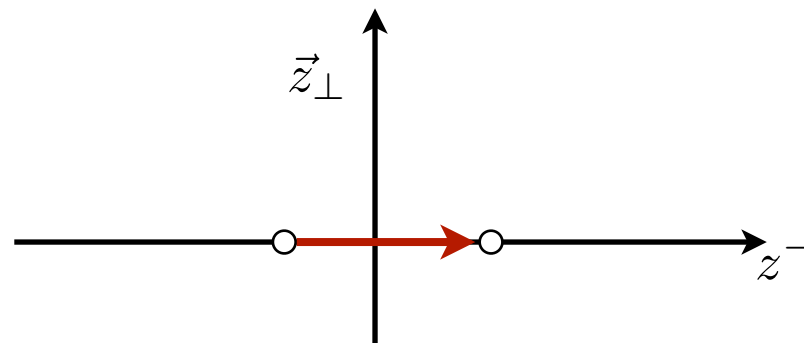
# Wilson line definition for GPDs

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$$U_{[a,b]} = \mathcal{P} \exp \left[ -ig \int_a^b d\eta^\mu A_\mu(\eta) \right] = \left( 1 + \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} + \dots \right)$$

exchange of more than 2 partons  
between hard scattering process (H) and soft amplitude (A)  
is suppressed except for gluons with polarization  $A^+$

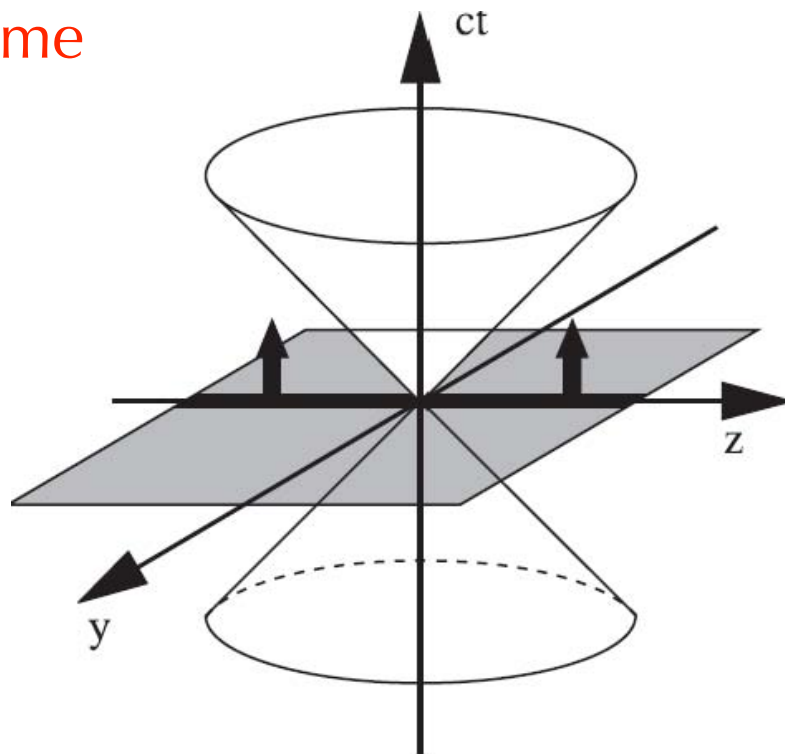
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for convenience, choose light-cone gauge:  $A^+ = 0$  in which  $U = 1$

# Partonic interpretation

Evolve in  
ordinary time



Instant Form

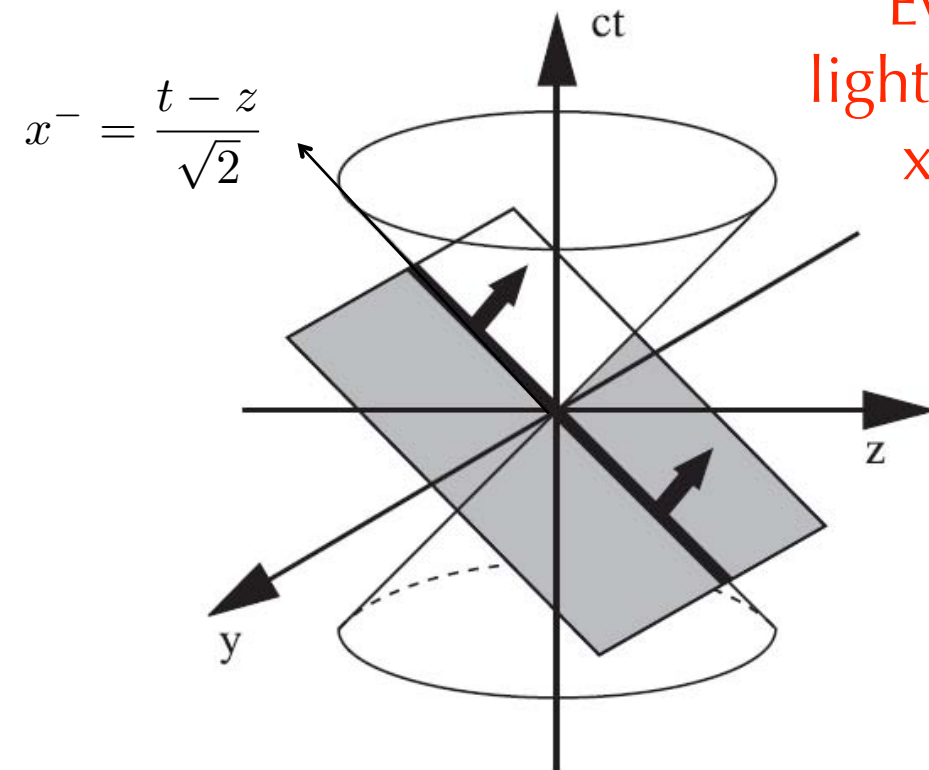
$x^0$  time

$x^1, x^2, x^3$  space

$$H = \sqrt{P^2 + M_0^2} + V$$

generators of Poincaré group interaction independent

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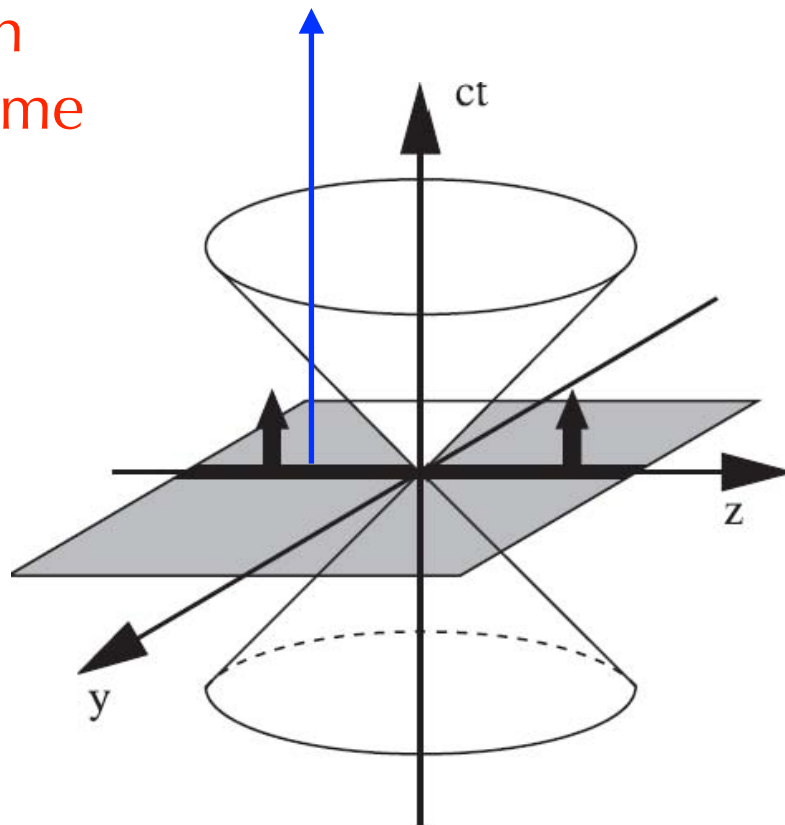
Light-Front Form

$x^+ = \frac{x^0 + x^3}{\sqrt{2}}$  time

$x^- = \frac{x^0 - x^3}{\sqrt{2}}, \vec{x}_\perp = (x^1, x^2)$  space

$$P^- = \frac{\vec{P}_\perp^2 + M_0^2}{P^+} + V$$

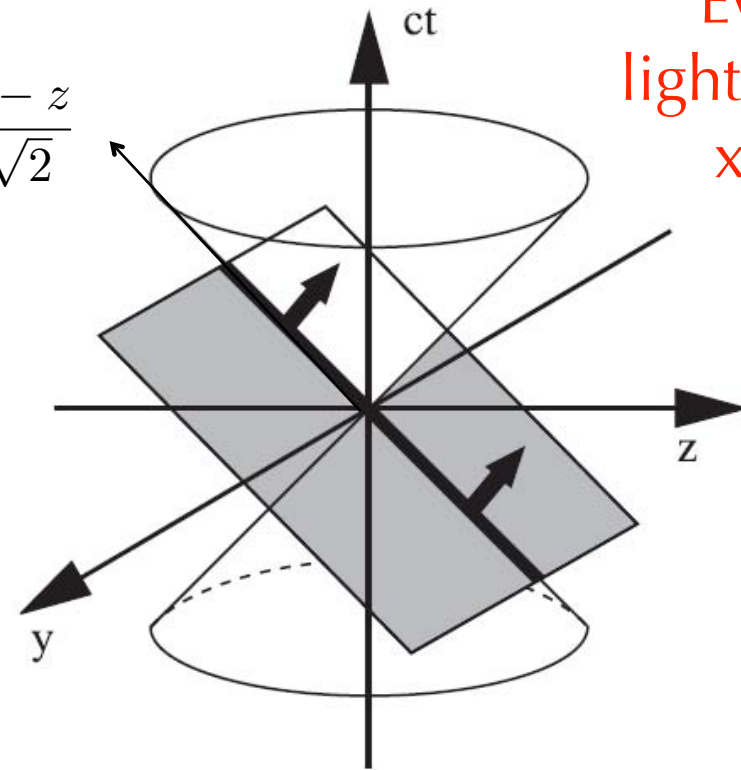
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Light-Front Form

coordinates

$x^0$  time

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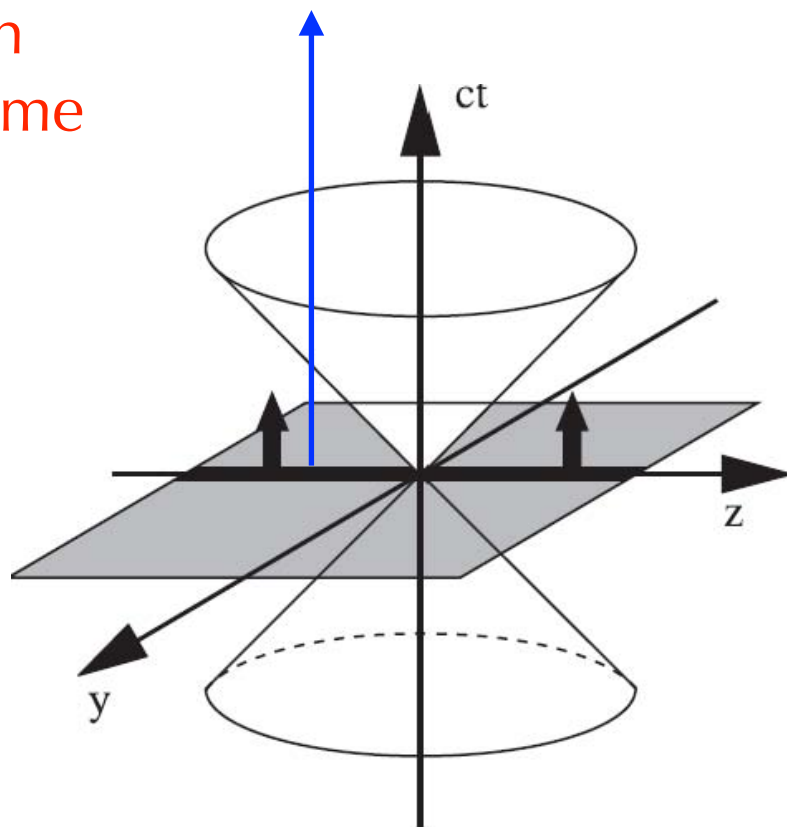
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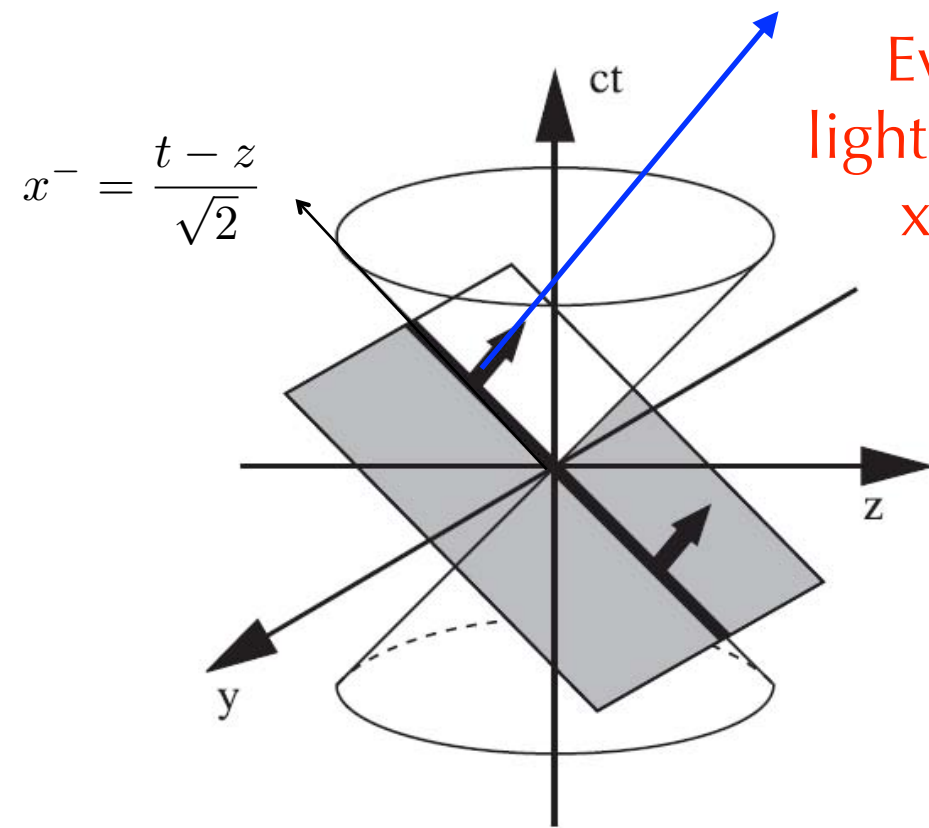
generators of Poincaré group **interaction independent**

Evolve in  
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Instant Form

Evolve in  
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Light-Front Form

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generators of Poincaré group interaction independent

# Good and bad components

- Decompose the four-component fermion field in bad (-) and good (+) components

$$\psi = \psi^+ + \psi^- \quad \text{with } \psi^+ = P_+ \psi \text{ and } \psi^- = P_- \psi$$

- Properties of projector operators:  $P_+ = \frac{1}{2}\gamma^- \gamma^+$   $P_- = \frac{1}{2}\gamma^+ \gamma^-$

$$P_+ + P_- = I \quad (P_+)^2 = P_+ \quad (P_-)^2 = P_- \quad P_+ P_- = P_- P_+ = 0$$

- Projecting the Dirac equation and using the light-cone gauge  $A^+ = 0$

$$i\gamma^- \frac{\partial}{\partial x^-} \psi_- = -\vec{\gamma}_\perp \cdot \vec{D}_\perp \psi_+ + m\psi_+$$

constrained field

$$i\gamma^+ D_+ \psi_+ = -\vec{\gamma}_\perp \cdot \vec{D}_\perp \psi_- + m\psi_-$$

independent dynamical degree of freedom

# Partonic interpretation of GPDs

- Unpolarized GPDs

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# Partonic interpretation of GPDs

## • Unpolarized GPDs

$$\Phi^{[\gamma^+]}(\bar{x}, \xi, t) = \langle P', \Lambda' | \int \frac{dz^-}{4\pi} e^{i\bar{x}P^+ z^-} \bar{\psi}(-\frac{z}{2}) \gamma^+ \psi(\frac{z}{2}) | P, \Lambda \rangle |_{z^+=0, \vec{z}_\perp=0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies \bar{\psi}(-\frac{z}{2}) \gamma^+ \psi(\frac{z}{2}) &= \psi^\dagger(-\frac{z}{2}) \gamma^0 \gamma^+ \psi(\frac{z}{2}) = \psi^\dagger(-\frac{z}{2}) \sqrt{2} P_+ \psi(\frac{z}{2}) \\ &= \sqrt{2} \psi^\dagger(-\frac{z}{2}) P_+ P_+ \psi(\frac{z}{2}) = \sqrt{2} \psi_+^\dagger(-\frac{z}{2}) \psi_+(\frac{z}{2}) \quad \text{good components of the quark fields} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies \psi_+(z^-, \vec{z}_\perp) &= \int \frac{dk^+}{2k^+} \frac{d\vec{k}_\perp}{(2\pi)^3} \theta(k^+) \sum_\mu [b_q(w) u_+(w) \exp[-ik^+ z^- + i\vec{k}_\perp \cdot \vec{z}_\perp] \\ &\quad + d_q^\dagger(w) v_+(w) \exp[ik^+ z^- - i\vec{k}_\perp \cdot \vec{z}_\perp]] \quad \text{with } w = (k^+, \vec{k}_\perp, \mu) \end{aligned}$$

$b_q, b_q^\dagger$  annihilation and creation operator of quark

$d_q, d_q^\dagger$  annihilation and creation operator of antiquark

❖ Homework: derive the operator structure in the different regions using positivity condition  $k'^+, k^+ > 0$  and momentum conservation  $k^+ - k'^+ = p^+ - p'^+ = 2\xi P^+$

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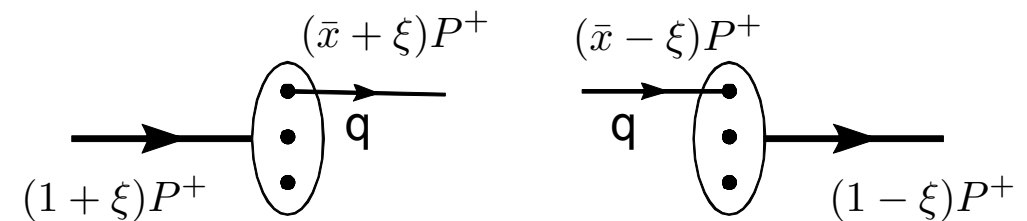
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we gain information on the  
quark-momentum correlation

DGLAP region  $\xi \leq \bar{x} \leq 1$



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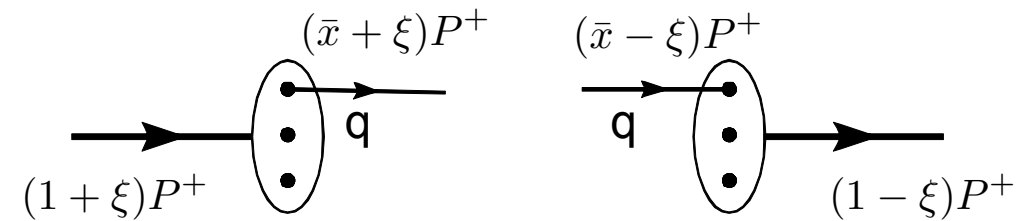
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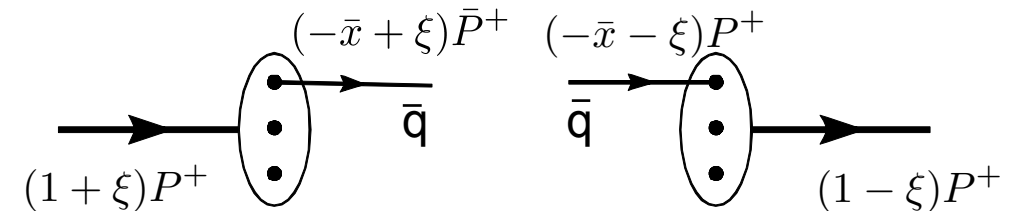
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DGLAP region  $-1 \leq \bar{x} \leq -\xi$



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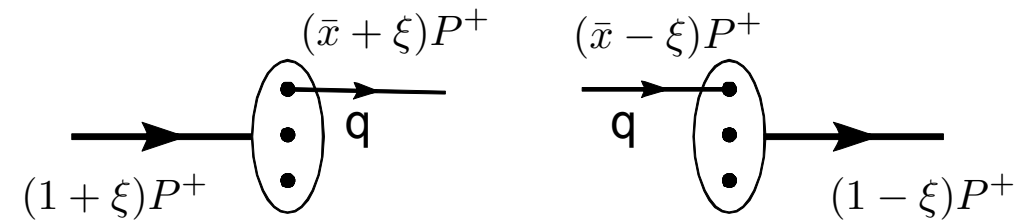
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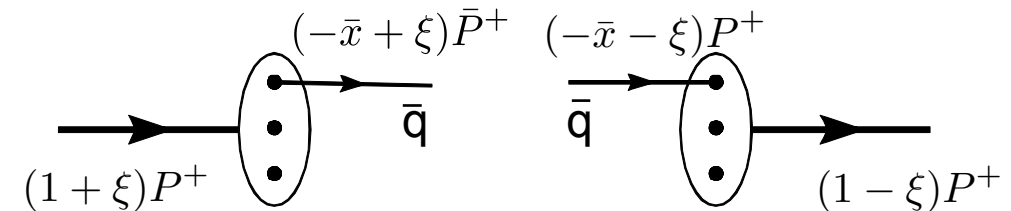
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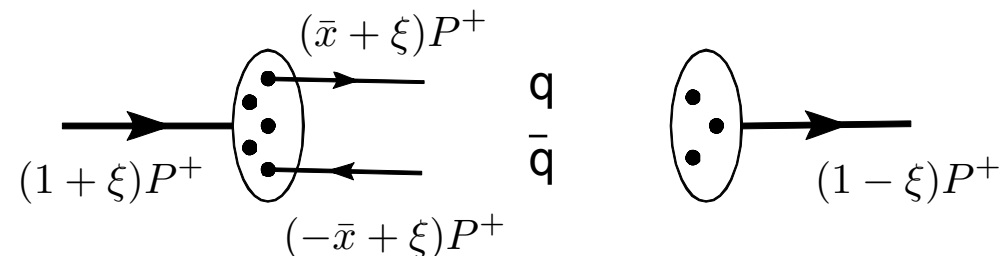
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ERBL region  $-\xi \leq \bar{x} \leq \xi$



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Spin projection

helicity space

$$b_\uparrow^\dagger b_\uparrow + b_\downarrow^\dagger b_\downarrow$$

$$H^q, E^q$$

$$b_\uparrow^\dagger b_\uparrow - b_\downarrow^\dagger b_\downarrow$$

$$\tilde{H}^q, \tilde{E}^q$$

transverse-spin space

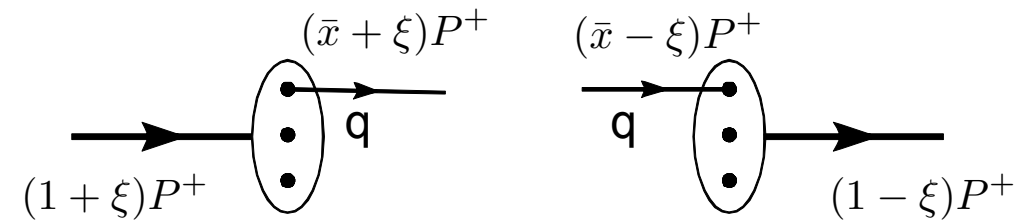
$$b_{\rightarrow}^\dagger b_{\rightarrow} + b_{\leftarrow}^\dagger b_{\leftarrow}$$

$$H_T^q, E_T^q$$

$$b_{\rightarrow}^\dagger b_{\leftarrow} - b_{\leftarrow}^\dagger b_{\rightarrow}$$

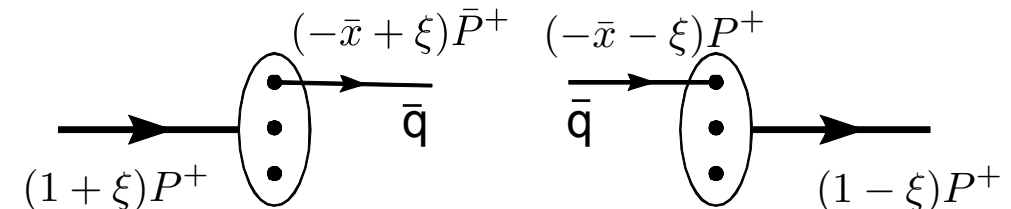
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DGLAP region  $\xi \leq \bar{x} \leq 1$



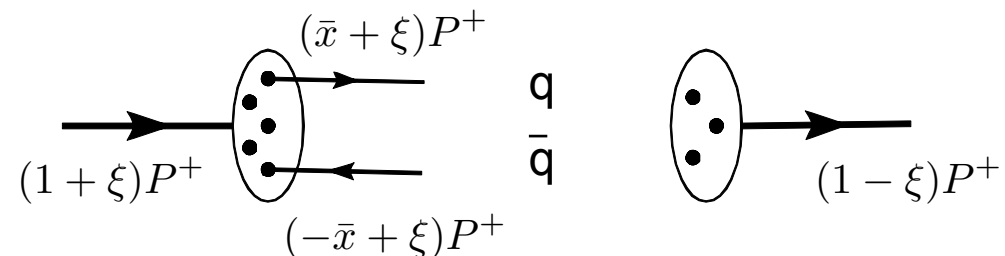
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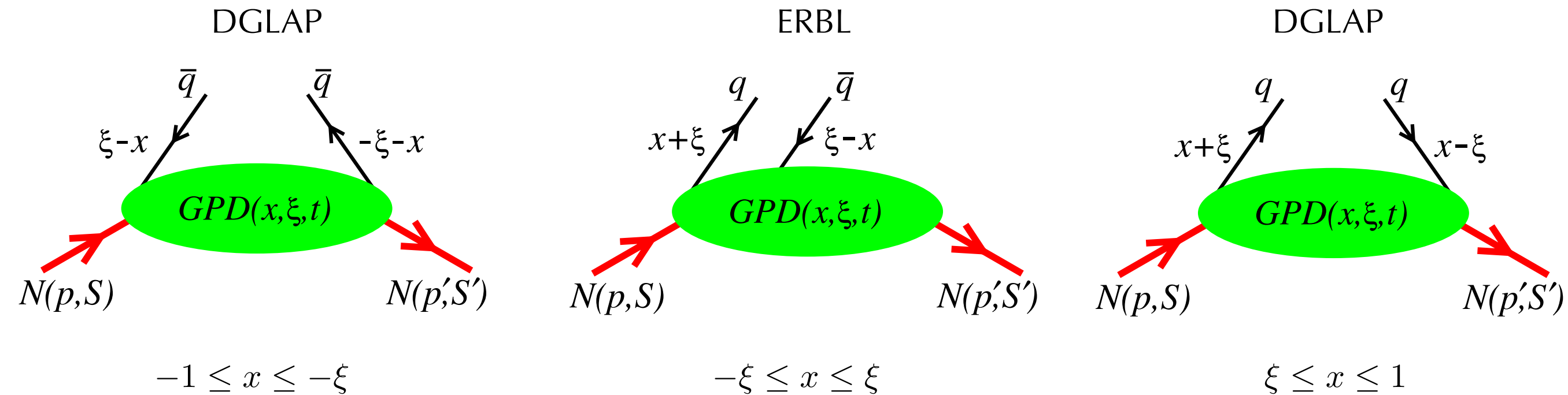


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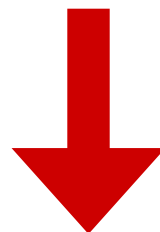


Time reversal invariance:  $H(x, \xi, t) = H(x, -\xi, t)$  (similarly for  $E, \tilde{H}, \tilde{E}, H_T, E_T, \tilde{H}_T$ )

$$\tilde{E}_T(x, \xi, t) = -\tilde{E}_T(x - \xi, t)$$

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GPDs are real valued functions

## Quark polarization

|              |       |                                      |                                                                              |                                                                              |                                           |
|--------------|-------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Nucleon pol. |       | $U$                                  | $T_x$                                                                        | $T_y$                                                                        | $L$                                       |
|              | $U$   | $\mathcal{H}$                        | $i \frac{\Delta_y}{2M} \mathcal{E}_T$                                        | $-i \frac{\Delta_x}{2M} \mathcal{E}_T$                                       |                                           |
|              | $T_x$ | $i \frac{\Delta_y}{2M} \mathcal{E}$  | $\mathcal{H}_T + \frac{\Delta_x^2 - \Delta_y^2}{2M^2} \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_T$ | $\frac{\Delta_x \Delta_y}{M^2} \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_T$                        | $\frac{\Delta_x}{2M} \tilde{\mathcal{E}}$ |
|              | $T_y$ | $-i \frac{\Delta_x}{2M} \mathcal{E}$ | $\frac{\Delta_x \Delta_y}{M^2} \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_T$                        | $\mathcal{H}_T - \frac{\Delta_x^2 - \Delta_y^2}{2M^2} \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_T$ | $\frac{\Delta_y}{2M} \tilde{\mathcal{E}}$ |
|              | $L$   |                                      | $\frac{\Delta_x}{2M} \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_T$                                  | $\frac{\Delta_y}{2M} \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_T$                                  | $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$                     |

$\xi$ -odd

$$\mathcal{H} = \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \left( H - \frac{\xi^2}{1 - \xi^2} E \right)$$

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{E}{\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}} = \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \left( \tilde{H} - \frac{\xi^2}{1 - \xi^2} \tilde{E} \right)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{E}} = \frac{\xi \tilde{E}}{\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_T = \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \left( H_T - \frac{\vec{\Delta}_\perp^2}{2M^2} \frac{\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_T}{\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}} + \frac{\xi \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_T}{\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{E}_T = \frac{2\tilde{H}_T + E_T - \xi \tilde{E}_T}{\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_T = -\frac{\tilde{H}_T}{2\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_T = \frac{\tilde{E}_T - \xi E_T}{\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}$$

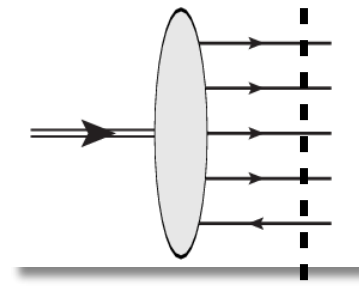
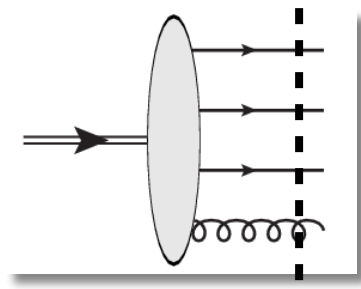
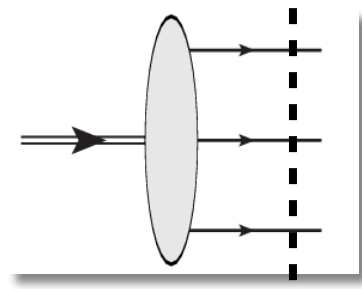
♦ Helicity structure: nucleon  $(\Lambda', \Lambda)$       quark  $(\lambda', \lambda)$

$$U = (++) + (--) \quad T_x = (-+) + (+-) \quad T_y = i[(-+) - (+-)] \quad L = (++) - (--)$$

# Light-front Wave Function Overlap Representation of GPDs

# Light-cone Fock expansion

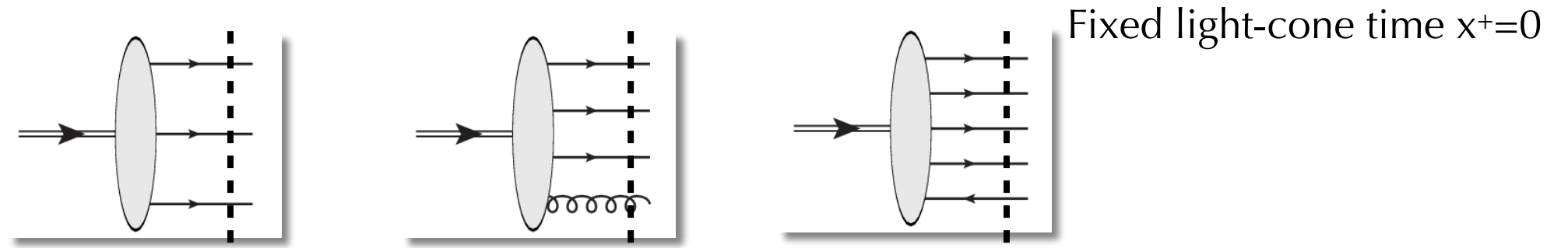
$$|P\rangle = \Psi_{qqq} |qqq\rangle + \Psi_{qqqg} |qqqg\rangle + \Psi_{qqq\bar{q}q} |qqq\bar{q}q\rangle + \dots$$



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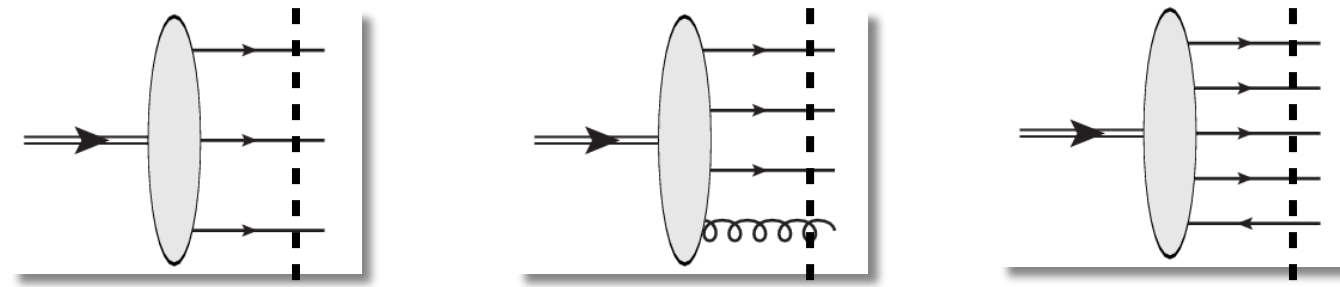


Light-front wave functions: Probability Amplitude for the  $N, \beta$  Fock state

$$|(P^+, \vec{P}_\perp), \Lambda\rangle = \sum_{N, \beta} [dx]_N [d\vec{k}_\perp]_N \Psi_{N, \beta}^\Lambda(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}) |N, \beta; (x_i P^+, x_i \vec{P}_\perp + \vec{k}_{\perp i}), \lambda_i\rangle$$

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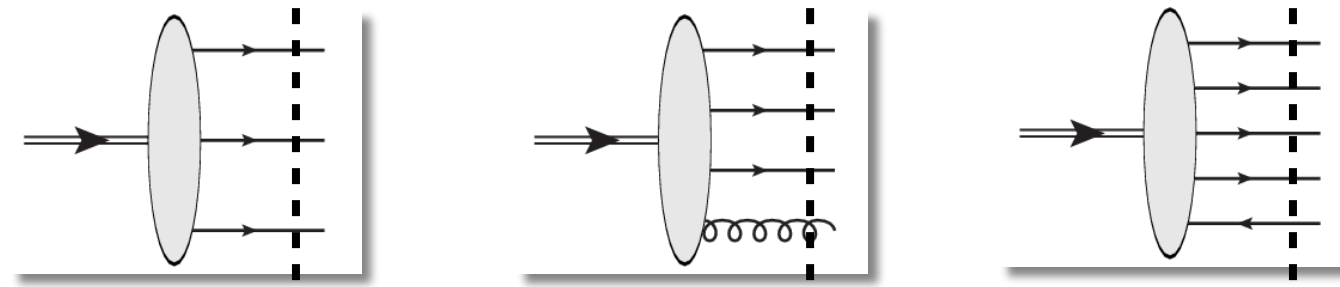
$$x_i = \frac{p_i^+}{P^+} \quad \sum_{i=1}^N x_i = 1 \quad \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{k}_{i\perp} = \vec{0}_\perp$$

Frame Independent



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Eigenstates of total OAM

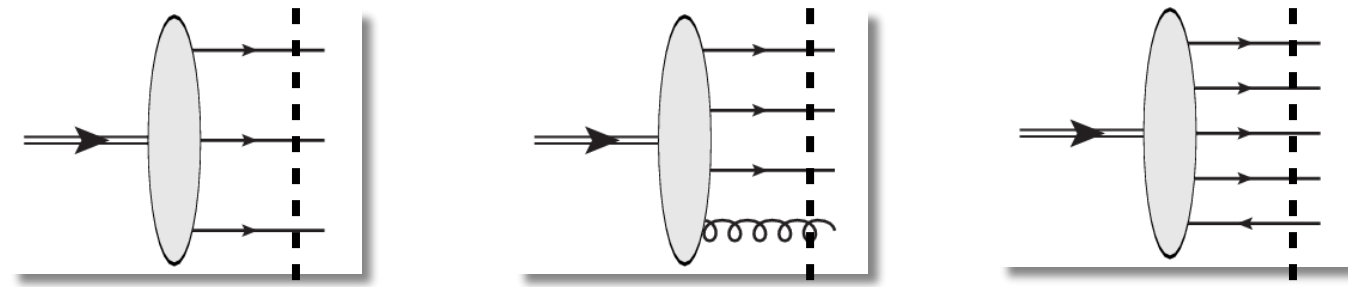
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$$\Lambda = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i + \ell_z$$

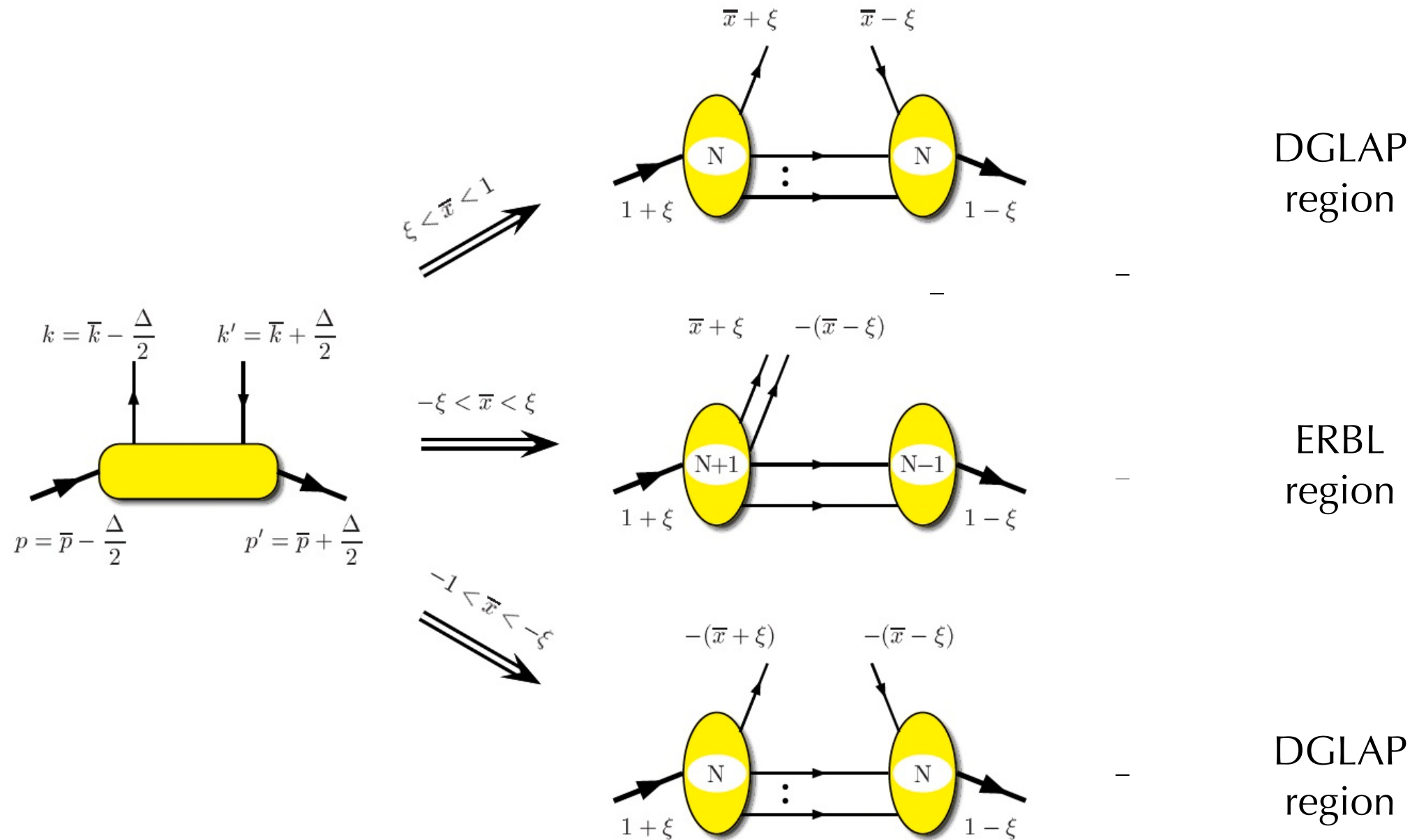
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# Light-Front Wave Function Overlap Representation



**GPDs**  $\sim \sum_N \int [d^3 k]_N \Psi_N^*(k'_N) \Psi_N(k_N) \delta(\dots)$  **interference of probability amplitudes**

**PDFs**  $\sim \sum_N \int [d^3 k]_N |\Psi_N(k_N)|^2 \delta(\dots)$  **probability density**

*Diehl, Feldmann, Jakob, Kroll, NPB596, 2001*  
*Diehl, Hwang, Brodsky, NPB596, 2001*  
*Boffi, Pasquini, NPB649, 2003*

# Properties of GPDs

- Forward limit: ordinary parton distributions

$$H^q(x, \xi = 0, t = 0) = q(x) \quad \text{unpolarized quark distributions}$$

$$\tilde{H}^q(x, \xi = 0, t = 0) = \Delta q(x) \quad \text{long. polarized quark distributions}$$

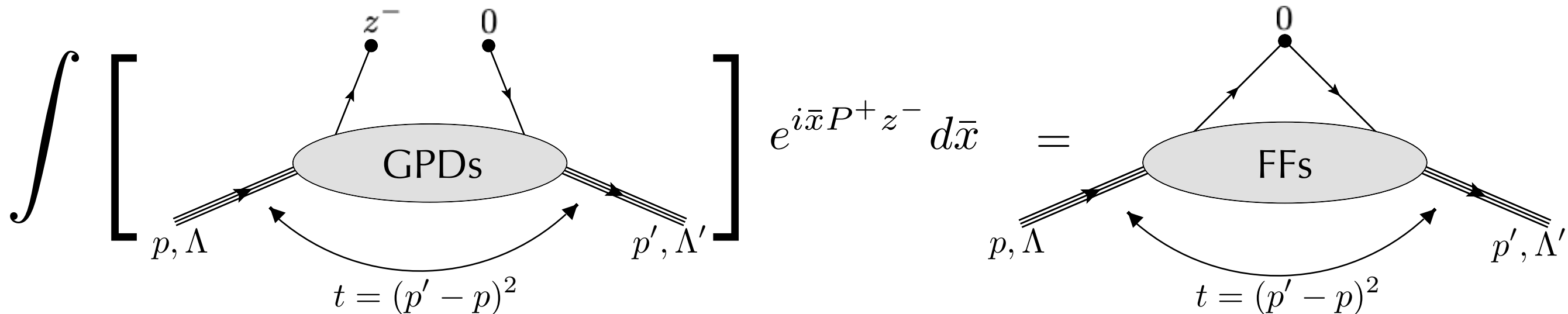
$$H_T^q(x, \xi = 0, t = 0) = h_1(x) \quad \text{transv. polarized quark distributions}$$

$$x \in [-1, 1] : \quad x > 0 : \text{quarks} \quad x < 0 : \text{antiquarks}$$

analogous relations for gluons, except for transversity distribution

- all the other GPDs do NOT appear in inclusive DIS  $\Rightarrow$  new information
- They all depend on the renormalisation scale ( $\mu^2 = Q^2$ )  
with different evolution equations in the DGLAP and ERBL regions

# Properties of GPDs



$$\int_{-1}^1 d\bar{x} \, \mathbf{H}^q(\bar{x}, \xi, t) = \mathbf{F}_1^q(t) \quad \text{Dirac Form Factor}$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 d\bar{x} \, \mathbf{E}^q(\bar{x}, \xi, t) = \mathbf{F}_2^q(t) \quad \text{Pauli Form Factor}$$

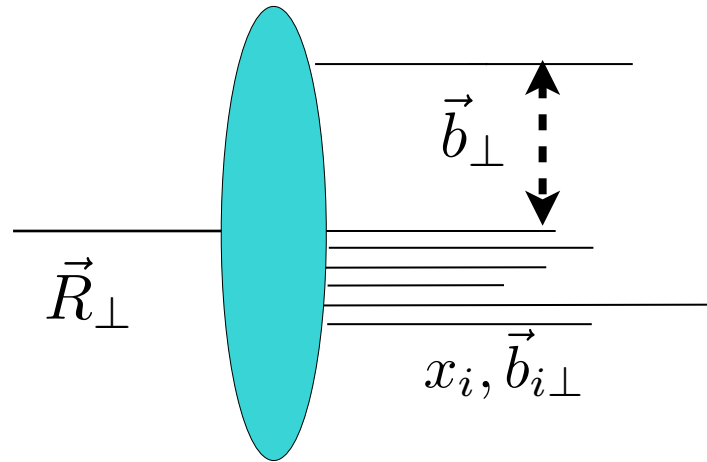
$$\int_{-1}^1 d\bar{x} \, \tilde{\mathbf{H}}^q(\bar{x}, \xi, t) = \mathbf{G}_A^q(t) \quad \text{Axial Form Factor}$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 d\bar{x} \, \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^q(\bar{x}, \xi, t) = \mathbf{G}_P^q(t) \quad \text{Pseudoscalar Form Factor}$$

- matrix elements of local operators  
→ can be calculated on the lattice
- renormalisation scale independent
- Lorentz invariance  
→  $\xi$  independent

# GPDs in Impact Parameter Space

# Impact Parameter Space



- average transverse position of the partons

$$\vec{R}_\perp = \frac{\sum_i p_i^+ \vec{b}_{\perp i}}{\sum_i p_i^+} \quad (i = q, \bar{q}, g)$$

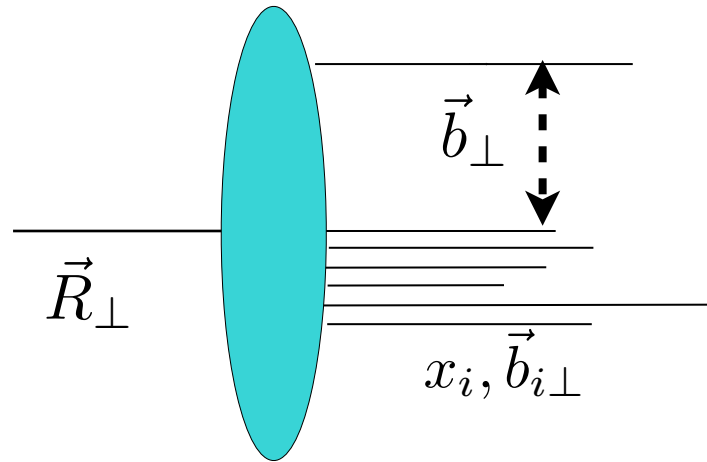
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[Burkardt, 2003]

## Isomorphism between Galilei and subgroup of Light-Front operators

|                                                                       |                                                                                             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Galilei transformation:                                               | Transverse boost:                                                                           |
| $m_i \rightarrow m_i$ $\vec{p}_i \rightarrow \vec{p}_i - m_i \vec{v}$ | $p_i^+ \rightarrow p_i^+$ $\vec{p}_{\perp i} \rightarrow \vec{p}_{\perp i} - p_i^+ \vec{v}$ |
| Center of mass:                                                       | Center of plus momentum:                                                                    |
| $\vec{r}_* = \frac{\sum_i m_i \vec{r}_i}{\sum_i m_i}$                 | $\vec{R}_\perp = \frac{\sum_i p_i^+ \vec{b}_{\perp i}}{\sum_i p_i^+}$                       |

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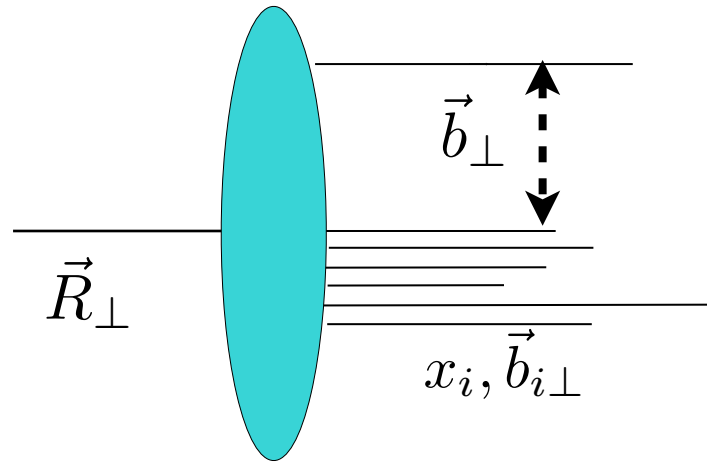
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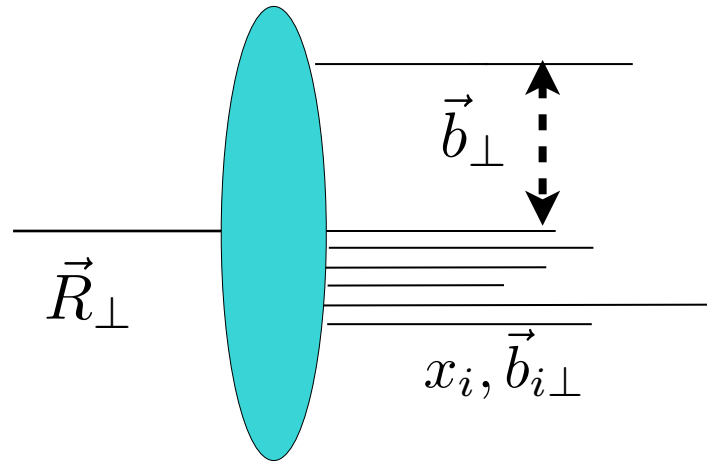
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- Localized wave packet in the transverse plane

$$|p^+, \vec{R}_\perp = \vec{0}_\perp, \lambda\rangle = \mathcal{N} \int \frac{d^2 \vec{p}_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} |p^+, \vec{p}_\perp, \lambda\rangle \quad \text{with} \quad |\mathcal{N}|^2 \int \frac{d^2 \vec{p}_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} = 1$$

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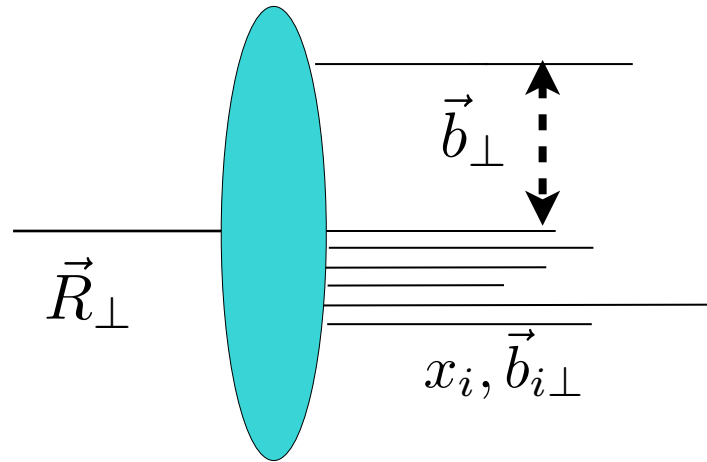
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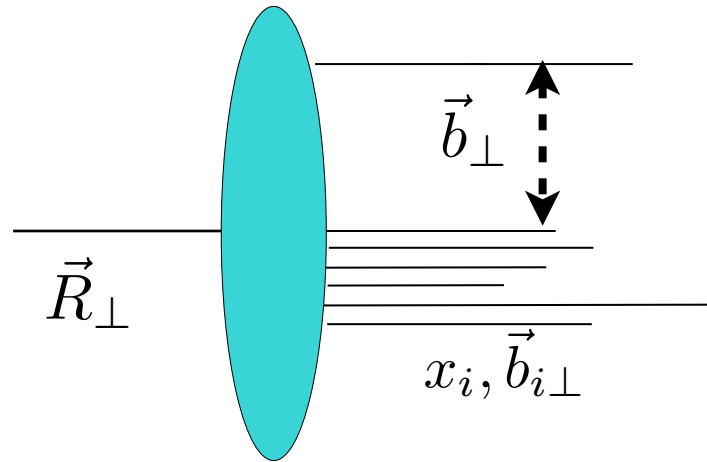
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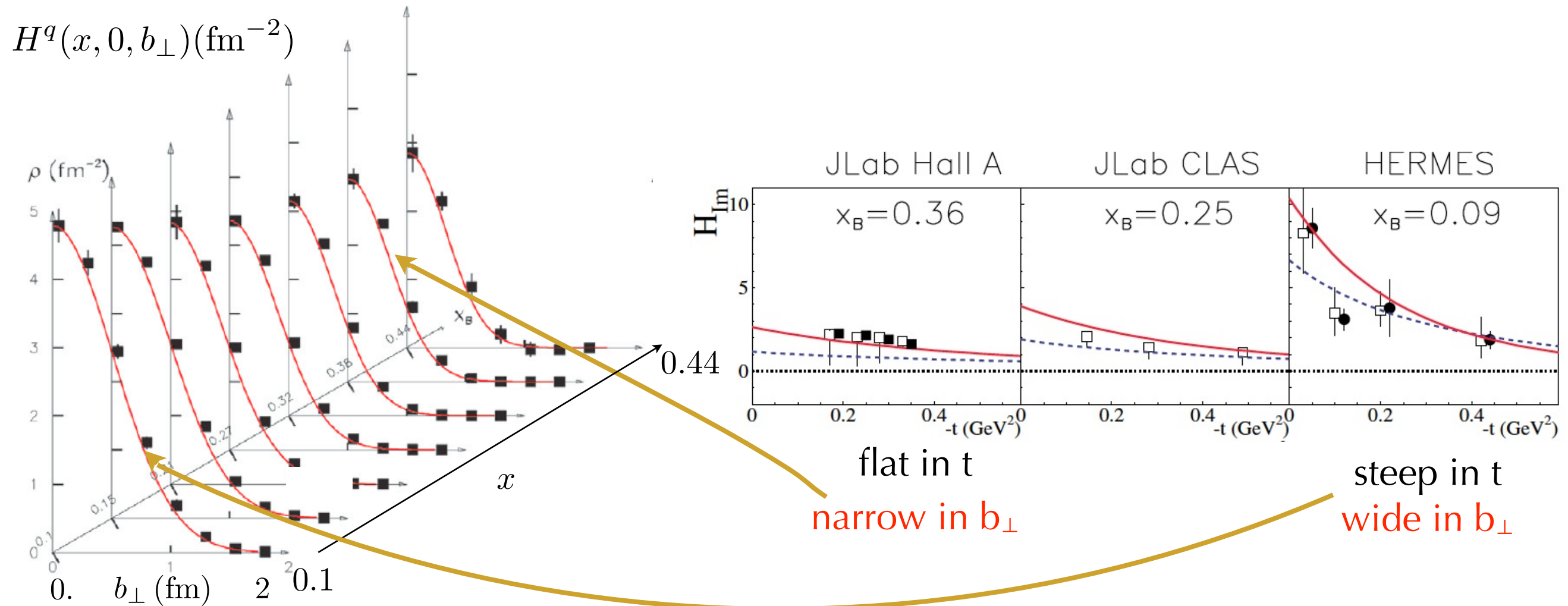
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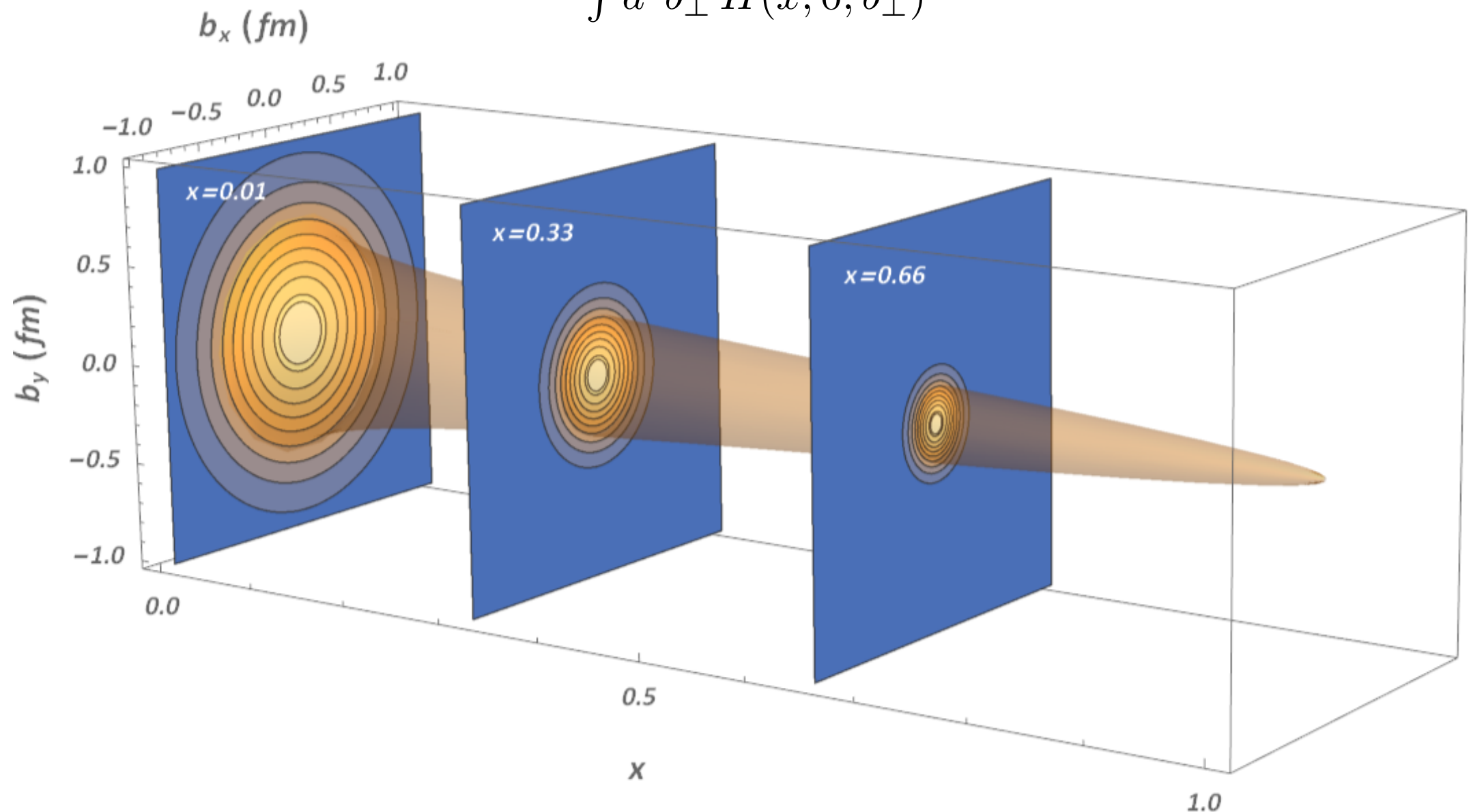
extrapolation from data



$$\longrightarrow \int dx H^q(x, 0, \vec{b}_\perp) = F_1(\vec{b}_\perp) \quad H^q(x, 0, \vec{b}_\perp): \text{decomposition in } x \text{ of e.m. form factor}$$

# x-dependent Transverse Charge Radius

$$\langle b_{\perp}^2(x) \rangle = \frac{\int d^2\vec{b}_{\perp} \vec{b}_{\perp}^2 H(x, 0, b_{\perp})}{\int d^2\vec{b}_{\perp} H(x, 0, b_{\perp})}$$



As  $x \rightarrow 1$ , the active parton carries all the momentum and represents the centre of momentum

$$\langle b_{\perp}^2 \rangle = \int dx \langle b_{\perp}^2(x) \rangle = \frac{2}{3} \langle r_{e.m.}^2 \rangle = 0.43 \pm 0.01 \text{ fm}^2$$

input from FF data

# Assumptions in tomographic pictures

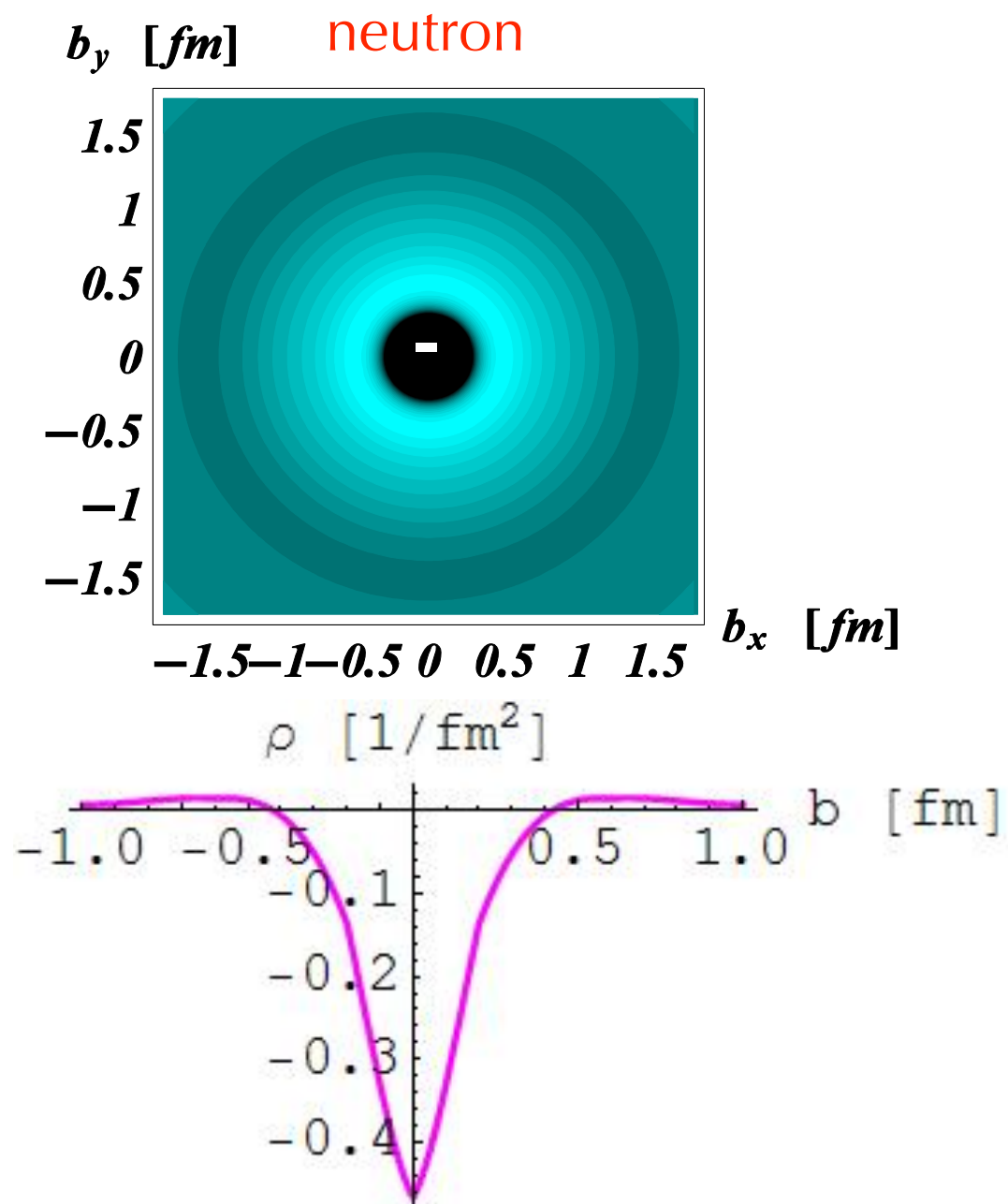
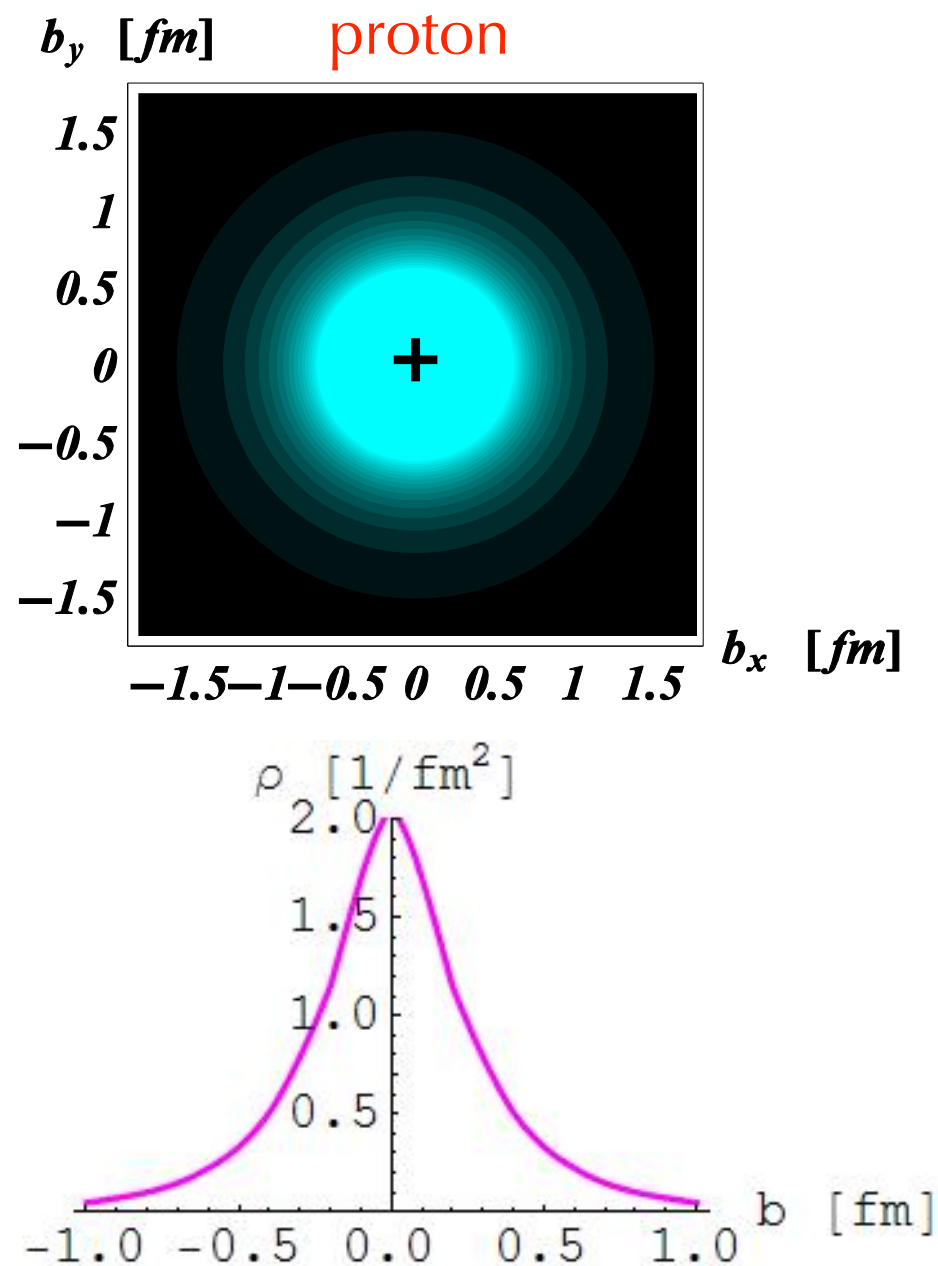
- Interpretation of exclusive processes in terms of GPDs (factorization) is valid for  $-t \ll Q^2$
- One needs to integrate  $t$  up to infinity to perform the Fourier transform
  - model-dependent extrapolation
- Experimental data are accessible only at non vanishing  $\xi$ 
  - model-dependent extrapolation at  $\xi = 0$

Need of controlled model dependence

# Charge density of partons in the transverse plane

$$\rho^q(b_\perp) = e_q \int d^2 \Delta_\perp e^{i\Delta_\perp \cdot b_\perp} \int dx H^q(x, 0, \Delta_\perp^2) = \int d^2 \Delta_\perp e^{i\Delta_\perp \cdot b_\perp} F_1^q(\Delta_\perp^2)$$

Infinite-Momentum-Frame Parton charge density in the transverse plane

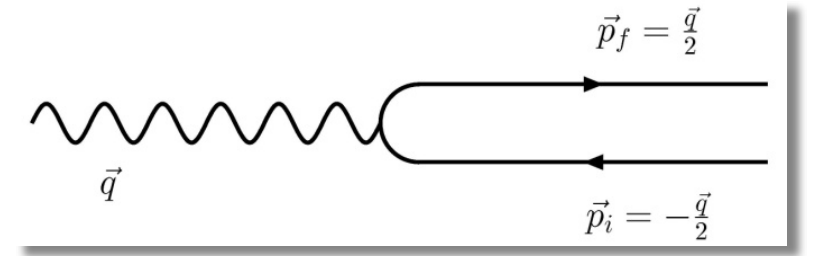


# Textbook interpretation

$$G_E(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) - \frac{Q^2}{4M^2} F_2(Q^2)$$

$$G_M(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) + F_2(Q^2)$$

Breit frame



Spatial charge density

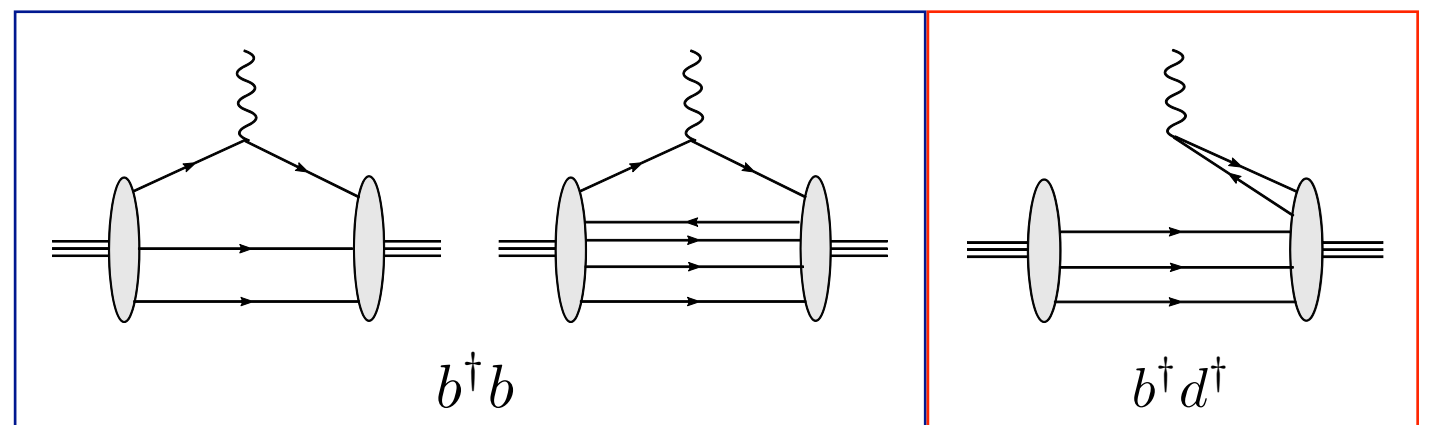
$$\rho(\vec{r}) = \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} G_E(Q^2)$$

[Ernst, Sachs, Wali (1960)]  
[Sachs (1962)]

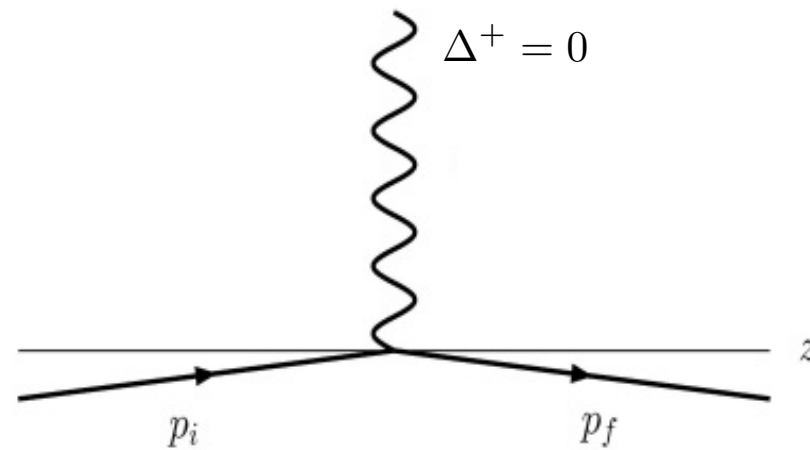


No probabilistic/charge interpretation

Creation/annihilation of pairs



# Drell-Yan-West frame



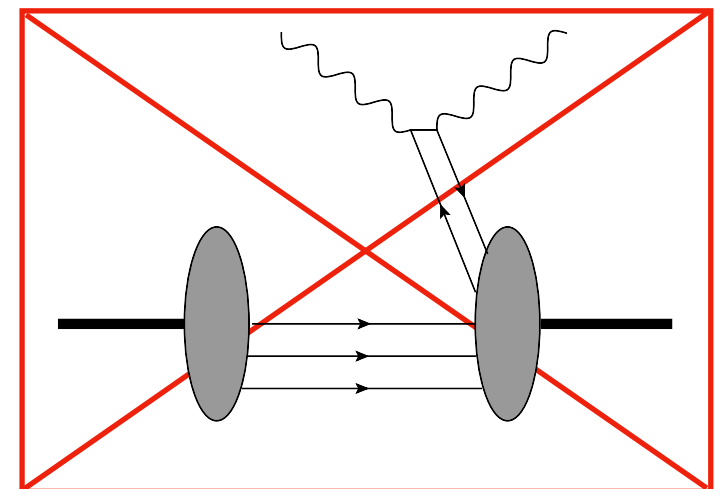
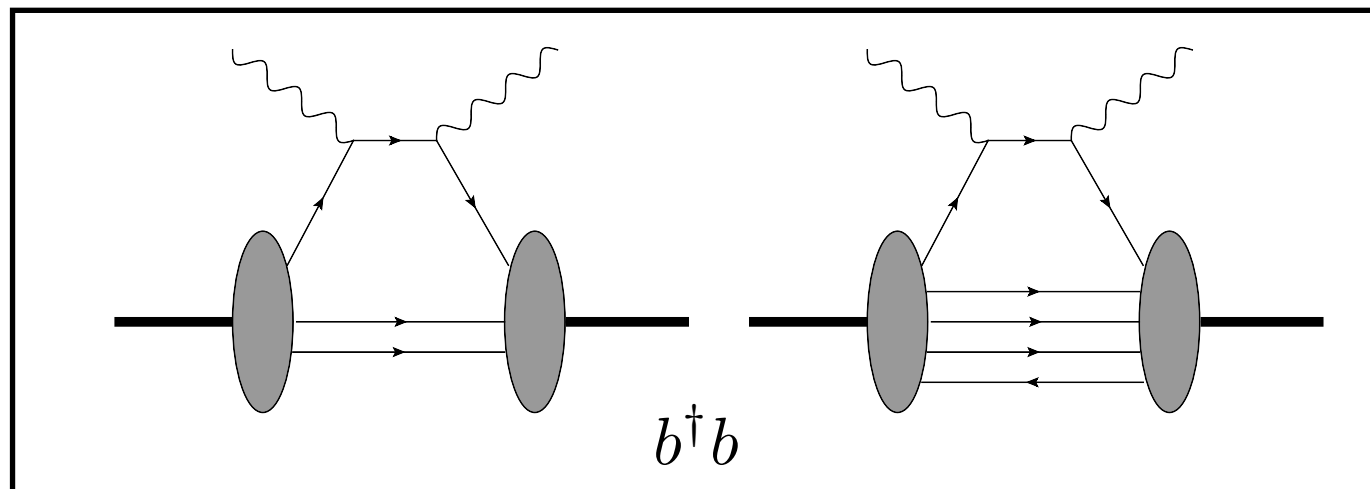
✓  $\Delta^+ = 0 \longrightarrow$  no sensitivity to longitudinal Lorentz contraction

✓  $\vec{\Delta}_\perp \neq 0$ : Transverse boosts  $\longrightarrow$  no transverse Lorentz contraction

✓ Particle number is conserved in Drell-Yan frame  $\Delta^+ = 0$

$$\rho(\vec{b}_\perp) = \int \frac{d^2\Delta_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{e^{-i\vec{\Delta}_\perp \cdot \vec{b}_\perp}}{2P^+} J^+(\vec{\Delta}_\perp)$$

probabilistic/charge interpretation



| Operator                                                                                       | Forward<br>matrix element | Non-forward<br>matrix element | Position-space<br>interpretation |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| $e_q \bar{\psi}_q(0) \gamma^+ \psi_q(0)$                                                       | $Q$                       | $F_1(t)$                      | $\rho(b_\perp^2)$                |
| $\int \frac{dz^-}{4\pi} e^{ixp^+ z^-} \bar{\psi}(-\frac{z^-}{2}) \gamma^+ \psi(\frac{z^-}{2})$ | $q(x)$                    | $H_q(x, 0, t)$                | $q(x, b_\perp^2)$                |

$\rho(b_\perp^2)$  2-dim distribution of charge in the transverse plane

$q(x, b_\perp^2)$  2-dim. “distribution of the PDF” in the transverse plane

# Take-home message

## Parton distribution functions

enter at cross section level  
in fully inclusive reactions

squared wave functions

→ probability density



## Generalized Parton distributions

enter at amplitude level  
in fully exclusive reactions

correlate wave function with different  
parton configurations

→ quantum-mechanical interference  
terms

provide a decomposition in  $x$  of  
form factors

at  $\xi = 0$  and in impact parameter  
space ( $\vec{b}_\perp \leftrightarrow \vec{\Delta}_\perp$ ) we recover the  
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