

# Exclusive production of $\chi_c$ charmonia at the EIC: can we observe Odderon?

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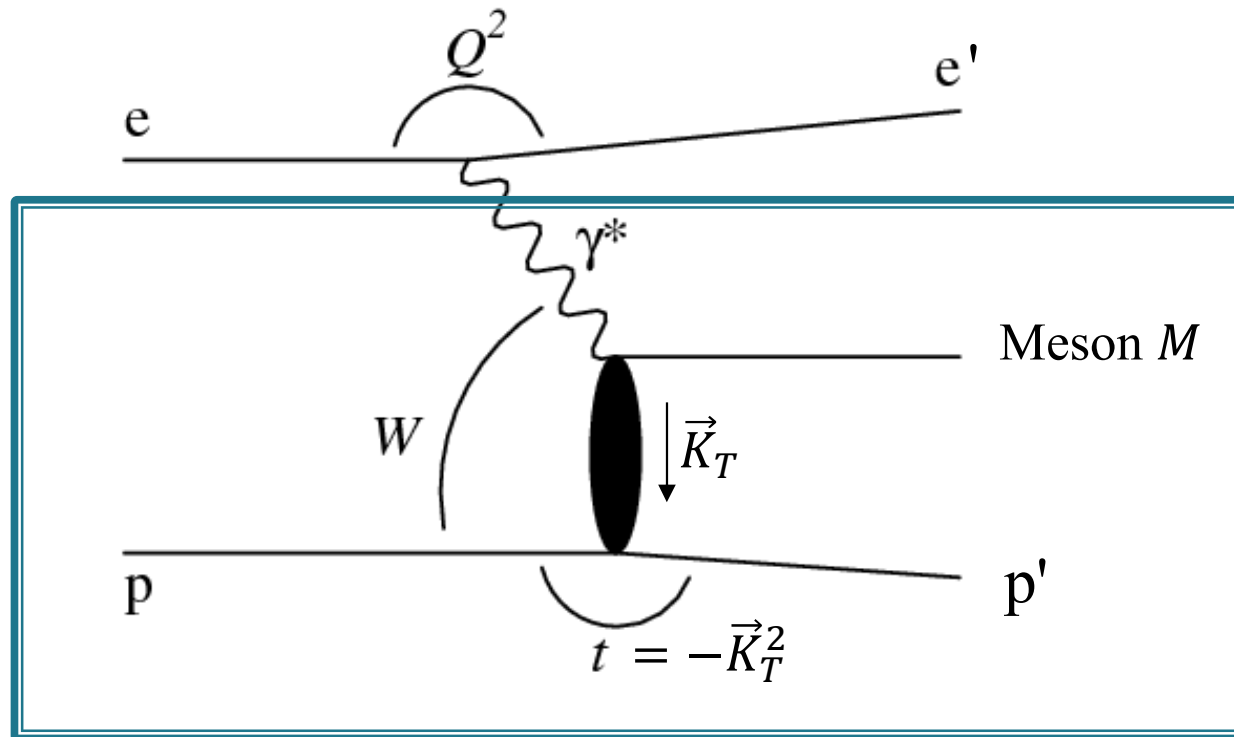
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# Exclusive meson electroproduction in ep scattering

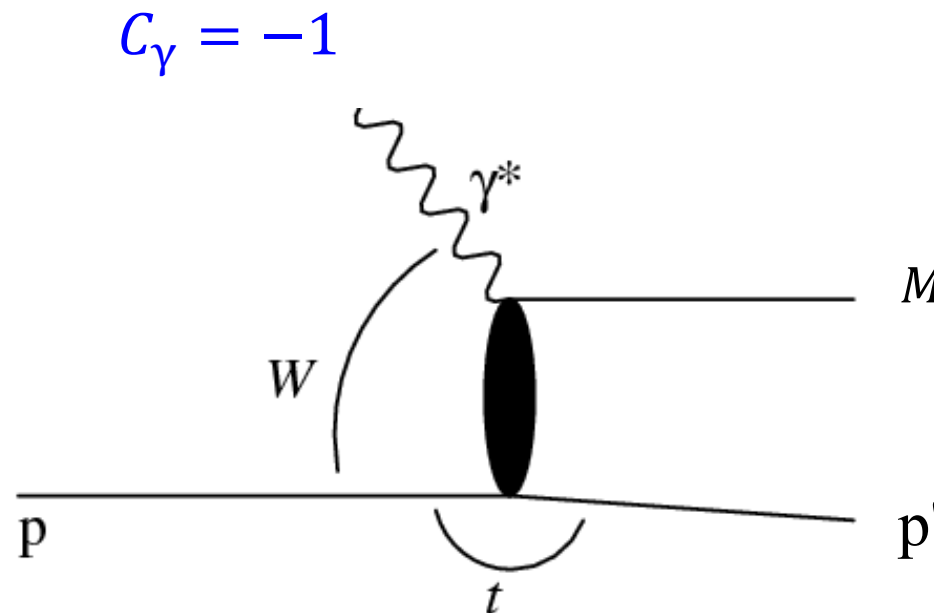
$$e + p \rightarrow e' + p' + M$$



$$\gamma^* + p \rightarrow p' + M$$

# Exclusive meson production in $\gamma^* - p$ scattering

Consider  $C$ -parity of particles:



Meson with given  $C$ -parity:

$C_M = -1$ , eg.  $\rho, \phi, J/\psi \dots$   
(pomeron exchange)

or

$C_M = +1$ , eg.  $\pi^0, \eta_c, \chi_c \dots$   
(odderon exchange)

For small  $W$  other exchanges also possible.

# Pomeron and Odderon

Regge theory:  $\sigma_{tot} \sim s^{\alpha(0)-1}$

Intercept of Regge trajectory:  
 $\alpha(t) = \alpha(0) + \alpha' t$

## POMERON

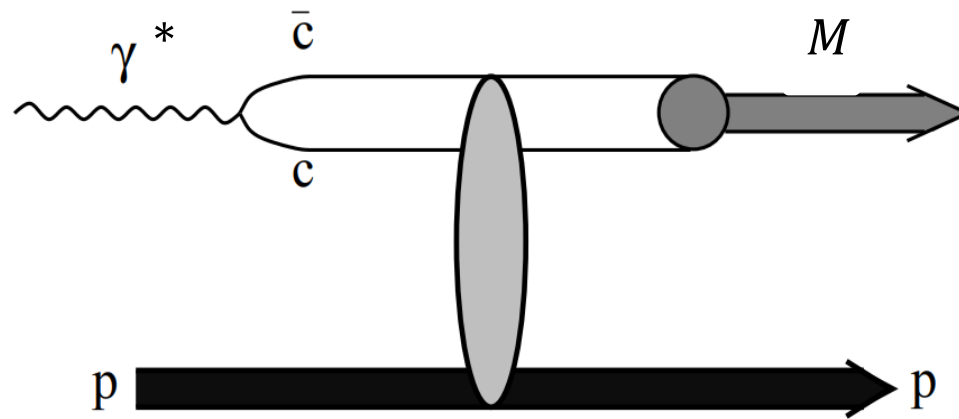
- $C = 1, P = 1$
- $\alpha_P(0) > 1$
- Leading logarithms  
 $\alpha_S^n (\log s)^n$  resummed by  
Balitsky–Fadin–Kuraev–  
Lipatov (BFKL) equation
- Observed experimentally in  
many processes

## ODDERON

- $C = -1, P = -1$
- $\alpha_O(0) \lesssim 1$
- Leading logarithms  
 $\alpha_S^n (\log s)^n$  resummed by  
Bartels–Kwieciński–  
Praszałowicz (BKP) equation
- Evidence for existence  
(comparison  $pp$  vs.  $p\bar{p}$ ) by  
TOTEM, G. Antchev et al.  
Eur.Phys.J.C 80 (2020) 2, 91)

# Charmonia

- ▶ Charmonia =  $c\bar{c}$  states



- 1) charm mass is a hard scale:  $m_c \sim 1.3 \text{ GeV} \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$
- 2) relatively easy to measure

In this talk we consider :

$\chi_{cJ}$ :  $J = 0$  scalar,  $J = 1$  axial,  $J = 2$  tensor

$P$ -wave meson with  $C_{\eta_c} = +1$

Odderon-type exchange

# Why $\chi_c$ ?

From late 90's theorists focus on exclusive  $\eta_c$  production as a evidence of odderon exchange.

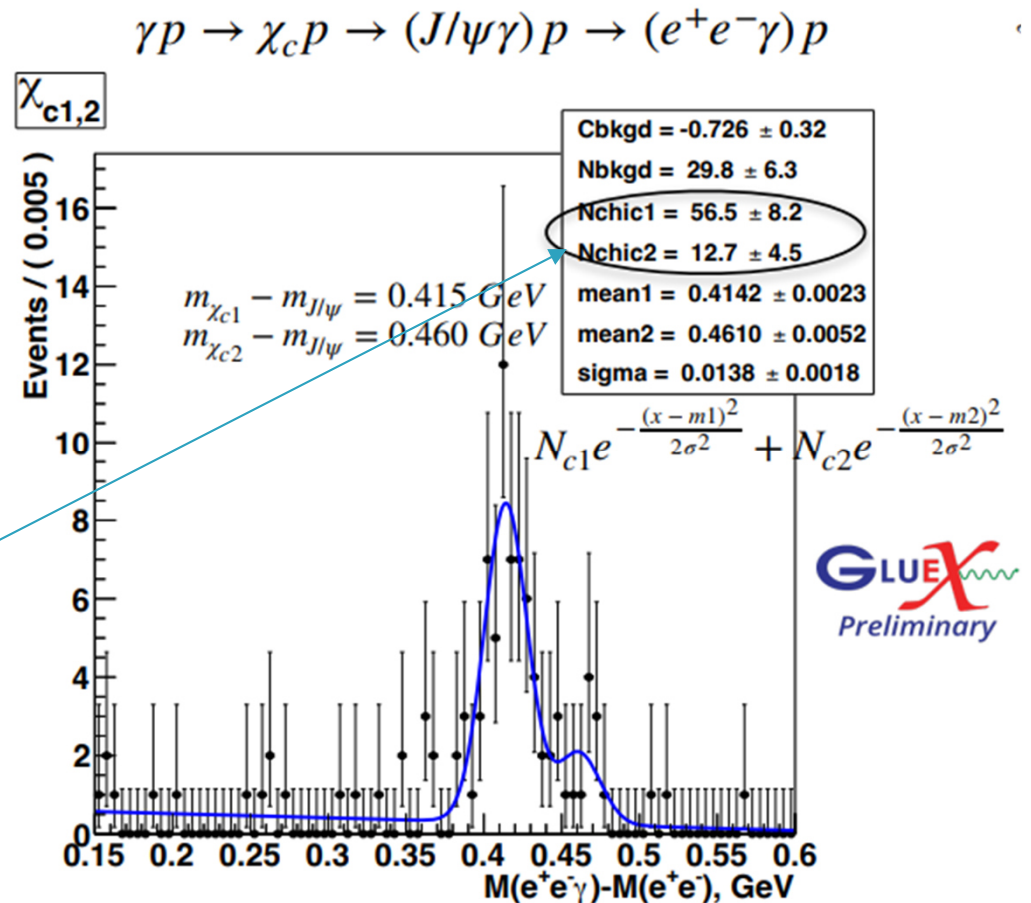
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At HERA **no evidence** for exclusive  $\eta_c$  production was found. It is hard to measure:

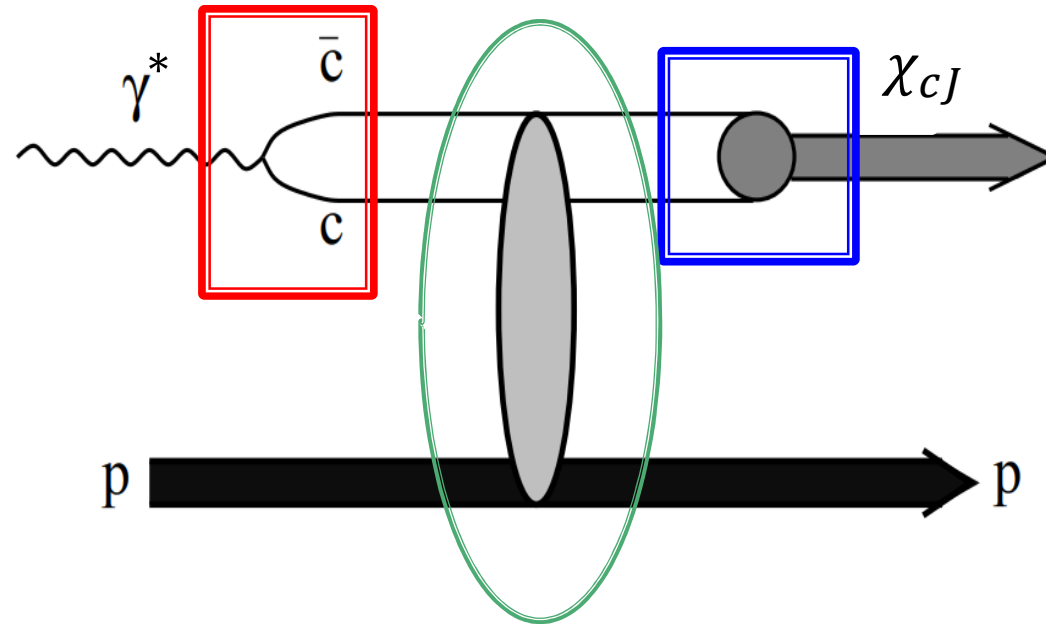
small branching ratio  
 $\text{Br}(\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \sim 10^{-4}$  &  
 feeddown from  $J/\psi$ .

Last year results from GlueX

L. Pentchev et al. (GlueX), Exclusive threshold  $J/\psi$  photoproduction with GlueX (2023), presented at DIS2023.



# Amplitude for $\gamma^* + p \rightarrow p' + \chi_{cJ}$



Odderon exchange

$$\langle \mathcal{M}_{\lambda\bar{\lambda}}(\gamma^* p \rightarrow \mathcal{H}p) \rangle = 2q^- N_c \int_{\mathbf{r}_\perp \mathbf{b}_\perp} e^{-i\Delta_\perp \cdot \mathbf{b}_\perp} i\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{\lambda\bar{\lambda}}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \Delta_\perp)$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\lambda\bar{\lambda}}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \Delta_\perp) = \int_z \int_{\mathbf{l}_\perp \mathbf{l}'_\perp} \sum_{h\bar{h}} \Psi_{\lambda, h\bar{h}}^\gamma(\mathbf{l}_\perp, z) \Psi_{\bar{\lambda}, h\bar{h}}^{\mathcal{H}*}(\mathbf{l}'_\perp - z\Delta_\perp, z) e^{i(\mathbf{l}_\perp - \mathbf{l}'_\perp + \frac{1}{2}\Delta_\perp) \cdot \mathbf{r}_\perp}$$

Photon wave function

Meson wave function

# Wave functions

Photon wave function: 
$$\Psi_{\lambda, h\bar{h}}^{\gamma}(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}, z) \equiv \sqrt{z\bar{z}} \frac{\bar{u}_h(k) e q_c \not{\epsilon}(\lambda, q) v_{\bar{h}}(q - k)}{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2 + \varepsilon^2}$$

Meson wave function (covariant): 
$$\Psi_{\lambda, h\bar{h}}^{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}, z) \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{z\bar{z}}} \bar{u}_h(k) \Gamma_{\lambda}^{\mathcal{H}}(k, k') v_{\bar{h}}(k') \phi_{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}, z)$$

where:

$$\Gamma_{\lambda}^{\mathcal{H}}(k, k') = \begin{cases} 1, & \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{S}, \\ i\gamma_5 \not{E}(\bar{\lambda}, \Delta_0), & \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{A}, \\ \frac{1}{2} (\gamma_{\mu}(k_{\nu} - k'_{\nu}) + \gamma_{\nu}(k_{\mu} - k'_{\mu})) E^{\mu\nu}(\bar{\lambda}, \Delta_0), & \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{T}. \end{cases}$$

Final results for amplitudes (scalar quarkonium  $\chi_{c0}$ ):

$$\mathcal{A}_L(r_{\perp}) \equiv -\frac{2}{\pi} m_c Q(z - \bar{z}) K_0(\varepsilon r_{\perp}) \phi_{\mathcal{S}}(r_{\perp}, z),$$

$$\mathcal{A}_T(r_{\perp}) \equiv \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{2\pi} \frac{m_c}{z\bar{z}} \left[ (z - \bar{z})^2 \varepsilon K_1(\varepsilon r_{\perp}) \phi_{\mathcal{S}}(r_{\perp}, z) - K_0(\varepsilon r_{\perp}) \frac{\partial \phi_{\mathcal{S}}}{\partial r_{\perp}} \right]$$

Similar expressions for axial  $\chi_{c1}$  and tensor  $\chi_{c2}$



# Boosted Gaussian

- Scalar part of meson w.f. needs to be modeled. We use:

$$\phi_{\mathcal{H},B}(r_{\perp}, z) = \mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{H},B} z \bar{z} \exp \left( -\frac{m_c^2 \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{H}}^2}{8z\bar{z}} - \frac{2z\bar{z}r_{\perp}^2}{\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{H}}^2} + \frac{1}{2}m_c^2 \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{H}}^2 \right)$$

Free parameters,  $\mathcal{R}_H$  and  $\mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{H},B}$  we obtained from:

- 1) normalization condition:

$$1 = N_c \sum_{h\bar{h}} \int_z \int_{\mathbf{r}_{\perp}} \left| \Psi_{\lambda, h\bar{h}}^{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbf{r}_{\perp}, z) \right|^2$$

- 2) decay into  $\gamma\gamma$  :

$$\Gamma(\mathcal{S} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{4} M_{\mathcal{S}}^3 F_{\mathcal{S}}^2,$$

$$F_{\mathcal{S}} \equiv 4q_c^2 m_c N_c \int_z \int_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}} \frac{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2 + (z - \bar{z})^2 m_c^2}{(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2 + m_c^2)^2} \frac{\phi_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}, z)}{z\bar{z}}$$

**Exception:**  $\chi_{c1}$

Landau-Yung theorem: massive particle with spin 1 cannot decay into two real photons.

We assume  $\mathcal{R}_{\chi_{c1}} = \mathcal{R}_{\chi_{c2}}$

# Dipole distribution evolution

Dipole distribution in terms of Wilson lines:

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp) \equiv \frac{1}{N_c} \text{tr} \left\langle V^\dagger \left( \mathbf{b}_\perp + \frac{\mathbf{r}_\perp}{2} \right) V \left( \mathbf{b}_\perp - \frac{\mathbf{r}_\perp}{2} \right) \right\rangle$$

Small- $x$  evolution is given by the Balitsky–Kovchegov (BK) equation:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp)}{\partial Y} = \frac{\alpha_S N_c}{2\pi^2} \int_{\mathbf{r}_{1\perp}} \frac{r_\perp^2}{r_{1\perp}^2 r_{2\perp}^2} [\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{r}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{b}_{1\perp}) \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{r}_{2\perp}, \mathbf{b}_{2\perp}) - \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp)]$$

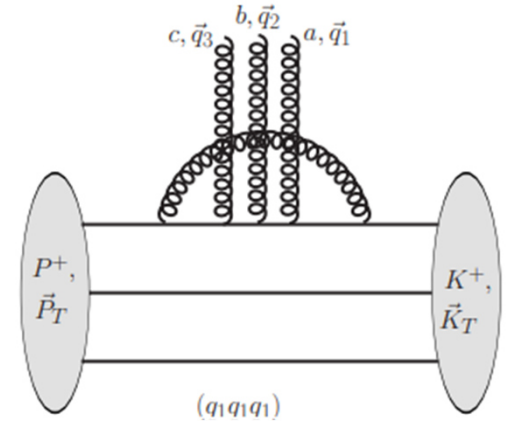
We also have decomposition:  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp) = 1 - \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp) + i\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp)$   
Pomeron Odderon

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp)}{\partial Y} = \int_{\mathbf{r}_{1\perp}} \mathcal{K}_{\text{Bal}}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{r}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{r}_{2\perp}) & [\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp) + \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r}_{2\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp) - \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp) \\ & + \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r}_{2\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp) - \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp) \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_{2\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp)] \end{aligned}$$

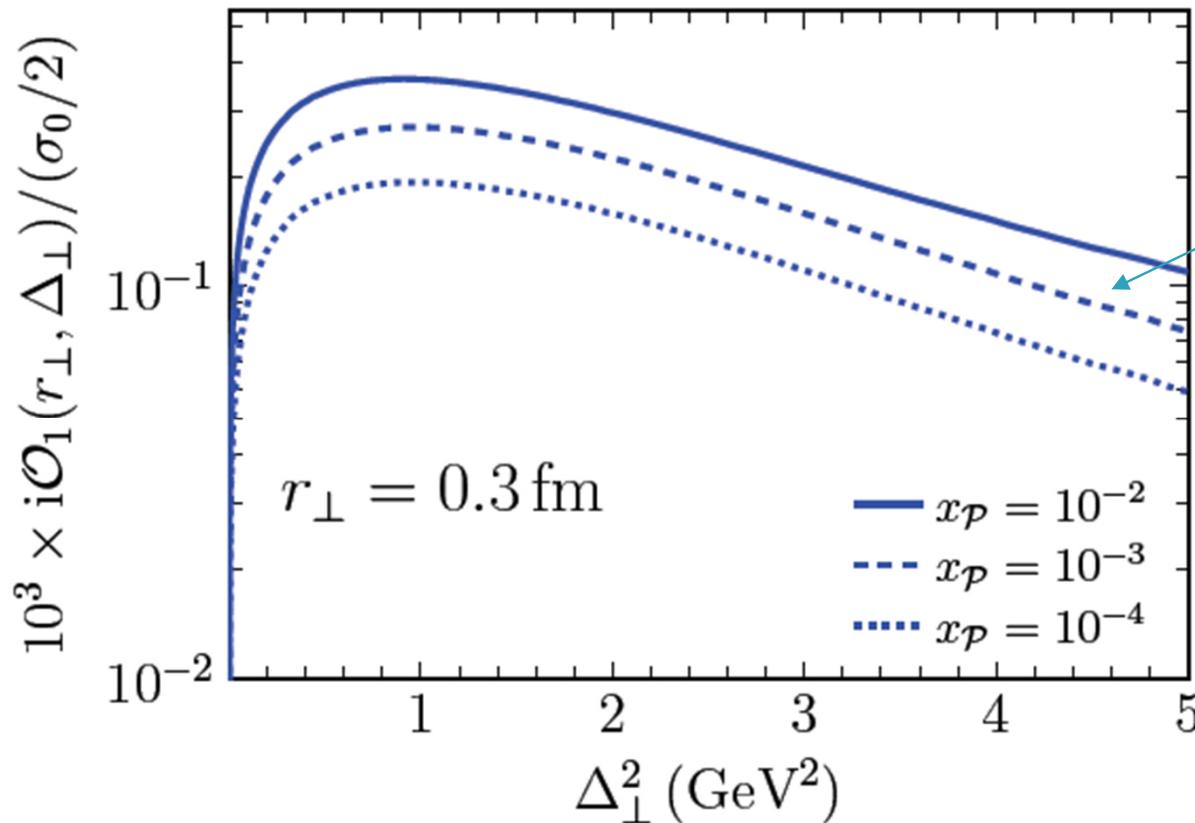
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp)}{\partial Y} = \int_{\mathbf{r}_{1\perp}} \mathcal{K}_{\text{Bal}}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{r}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{r}_{2\perp}) & [\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp) + \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_{2\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp) - \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp) \\ & - \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp) \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_{2\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp) - \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r}_{2\perp}, \mathbf{b}_\perp)] \end{aligned}$$

# Odderon evolution

At  $x=0.01$  we use initial condition from 3-gluon exchange model & gluon emission.



Dumitru, H. Mantysaari, and R. Paatelainen, Phys. Rev. D 107, L011501 (2023),

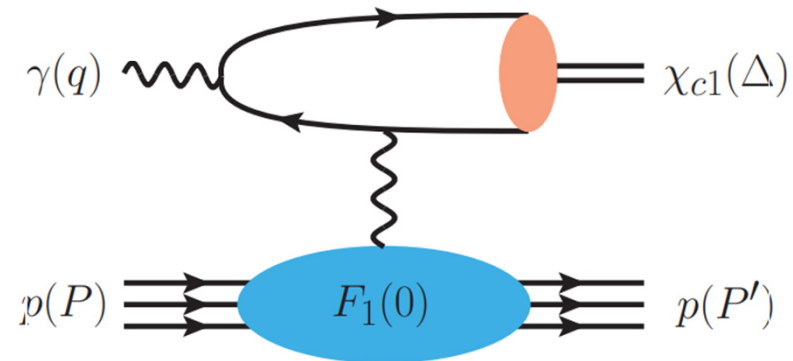


Decrease with energy

# Background

- ▶ We have two main sources of background for this process:

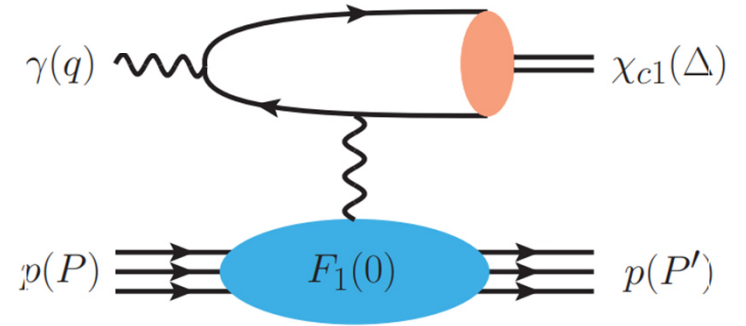
- Primakoff process (photon exchange)



- Feeddown from  $\psi(2s) \rightarrow \chi_{cJ} + \gamma$  (this is not covered in this talk).

# Primakoff process

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$$\langle \mathcal{M}_{\lambda\bar{\lambda}}(\gamma^* p \rightarrow \mathcal{H}p) \rangle = 2q^- N_c \int_{\mathbf{r}_\perp \mathbf{b}_\perp} e^{-i\Delta_\perp \cdot \mathbf{b}_\perp} i\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp) \mathcal{A}_{\lambda\bar{\lambda}}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \Delta_\perp)$$

Just replace:

$$\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \Delta_\perp) \rightarrow 8\pi i q_c \alpha \sin\left(\frac{\Delta_\perp \cdot \mathbf{r}_\perp}{2}\right) \frac{F_1(\Delta_\perp)}{\Delta_\perp^2}$$

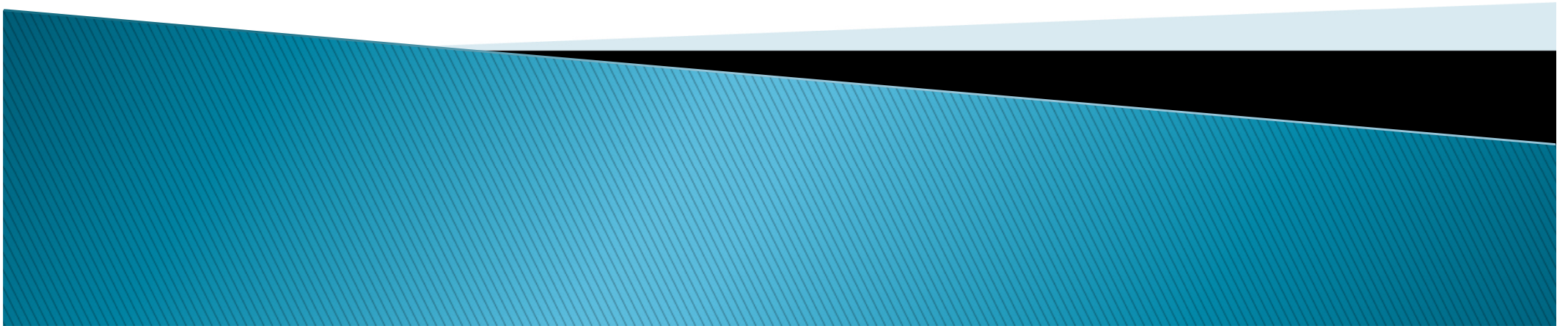
Dirac form factor.

Adding Pauli form factor:

$$F_1^2(\ell_\perp) \rightarrow F_1^2(\ell_\perp) + \frac{\ell_\perp^2}{4m_N^2} F_2^2(\ell_\perp)$$

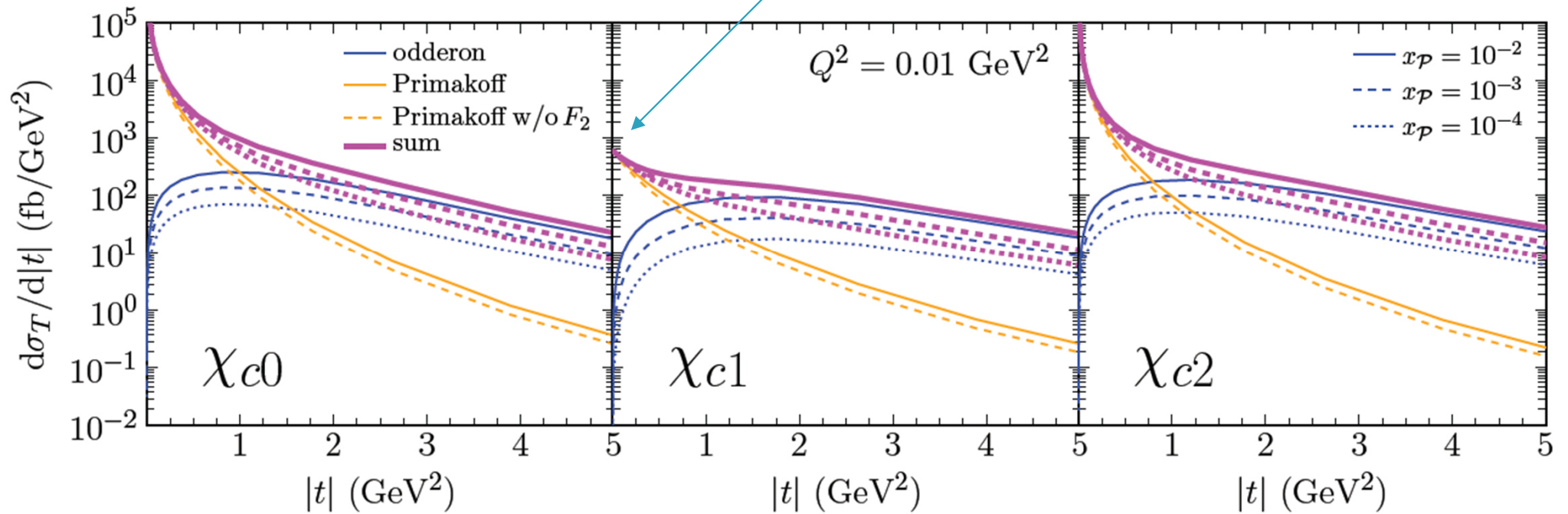
Both form factors are very well constrained experimentally.

# Numerical results for EIC



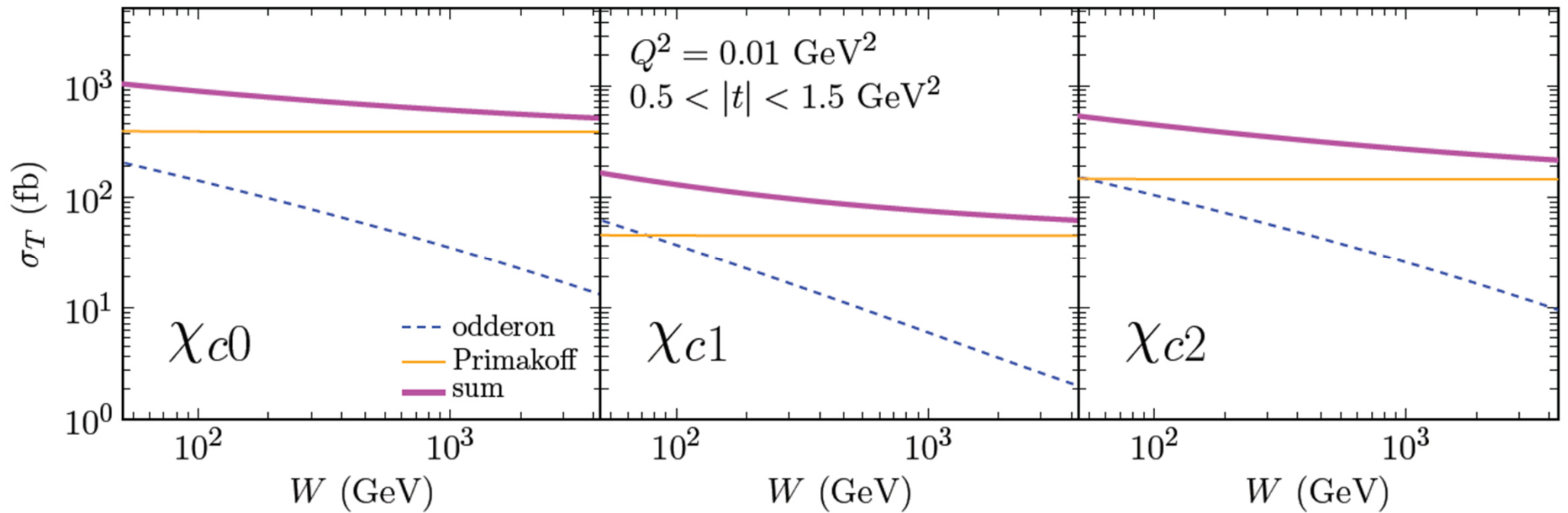
# $\gamma^* + p \rightarrow p' + \chi_{cJ}$ : momentum transfer dependence

Finite Primakoff  
(Landau-Yung theorem)



Positive interference between odderon and Primakoff.

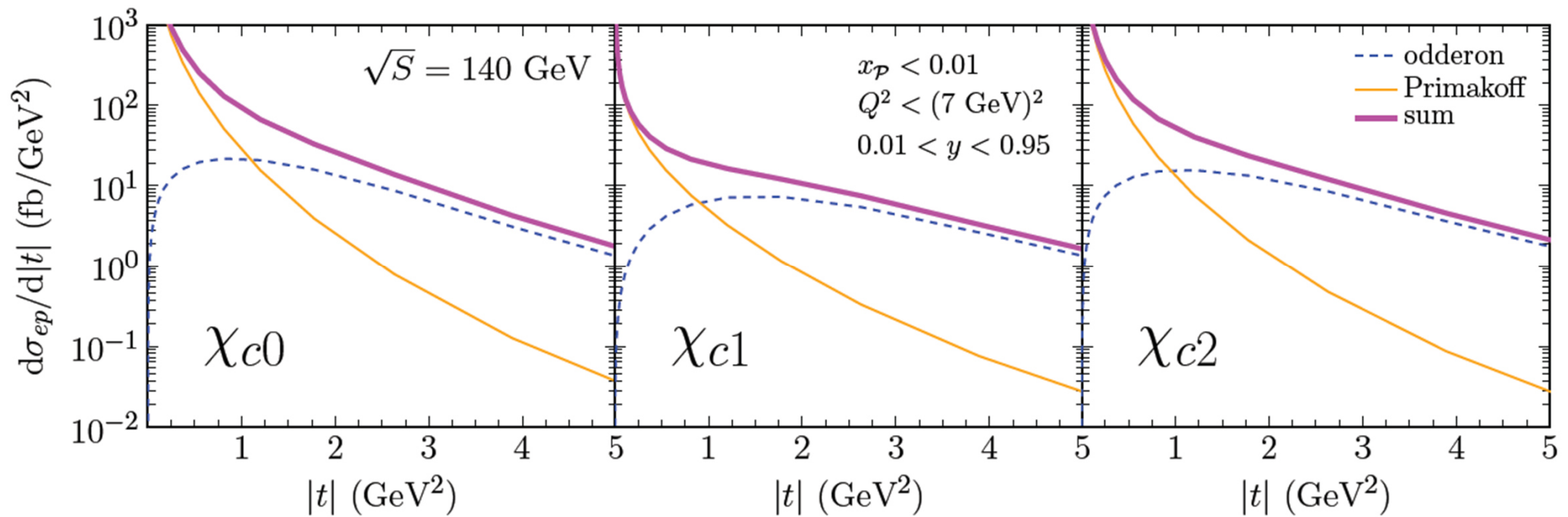
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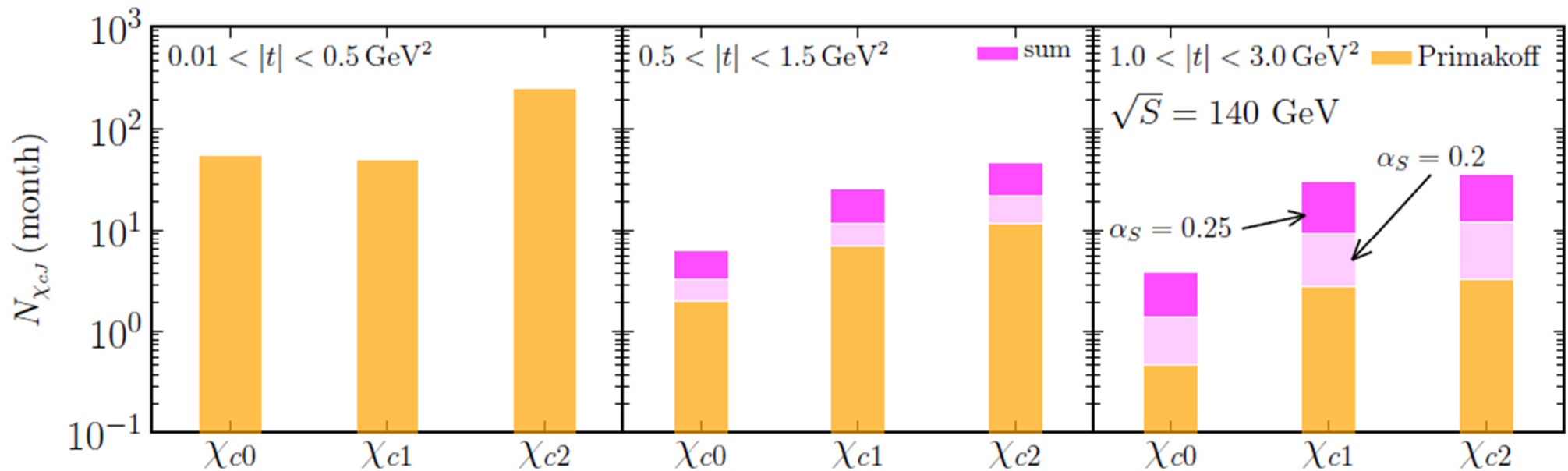
# Electroproduction $ep \rightarrow \chi_{cJ} ep$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{ep}}{dx_{\mathcal{P}}dQ^2d|t|} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi Q^2 x_{\mathcal{P}}} \left\{ 2(1-y) \frac{d\sigma_L}{d|t|} + \left( 1 + (1-y)^2 - 2(1-y) \frac{Q_{\min}^2}{Q^2} \right) \frac{d\sigma_T}{d|t|} \right\}$$



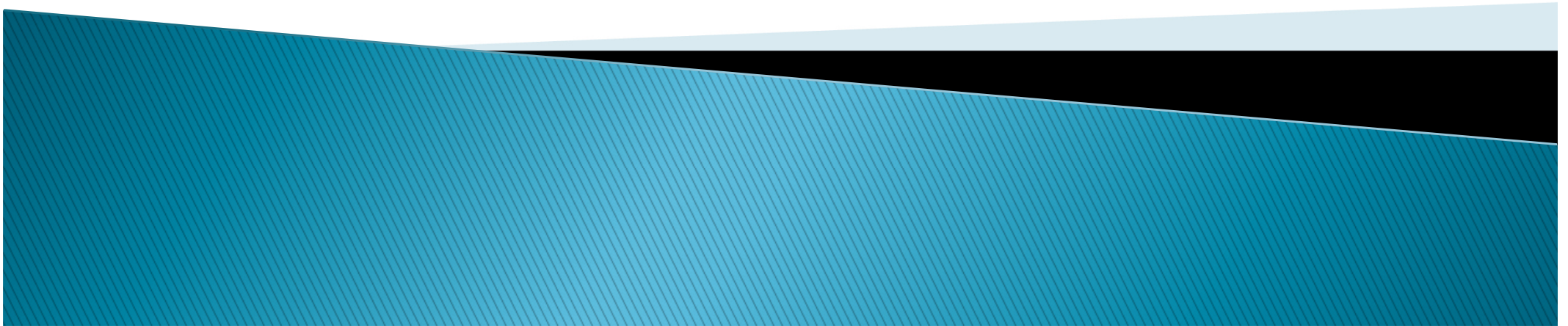
# Electroproduction: number of events

number of exclusive  $\chi_{cJ} \rightarrow J/\psi\gamma \rightarrow l^+l^-\gamma$  events



Branching ratios for decays included.  
Top EIC luminosity is assumed.

# Odderon and TMD



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Protons' helicities

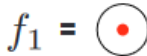

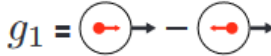

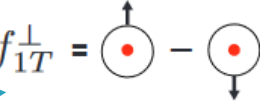
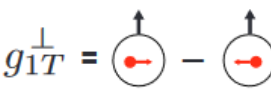


$$\mathcal{O}_{\lambda_p \lambda'_p}(k_\perp, \Delta_\perp) = \int d^2 r_\perp d^2 b_\perp e^{-i\mathbf{k}_\perp \cdot \mathbf{r}_\perp} e^{-i\mathbf{\Delta}_\perp \cdot \mathbf{b}_\perp} \times \frac{1}{N_c} \frac{\text{Im} \{ \langle P' \lambda'_p | \text{tr} [V^\dagger(x_\perp) V(y_\perp)] | P \lambda_p \rangle \}}{\langle P \lambda_p | P \lambda_p \rangle}$$

Let consider forward limit:  $\Delta_\perp \rightarrow 0$  (zero momentum transfer), then:

$$\mathcal{O}_{\lambda_p \lambda'_p}(k_\perp, 0) = \lambda_p \delta_{\lambda_p, -\lambda'_p} (k_\perp \times \epsilon_\perp^{\lambda_p}) \times \frac{(2\pi)^3 i g^2}{2\sqrt{2} N_c} \frac{x f_{1T}^{\perp g}(x, k_\perp)}{k_\perp^2 M_p}$$

Gluon Sivers function

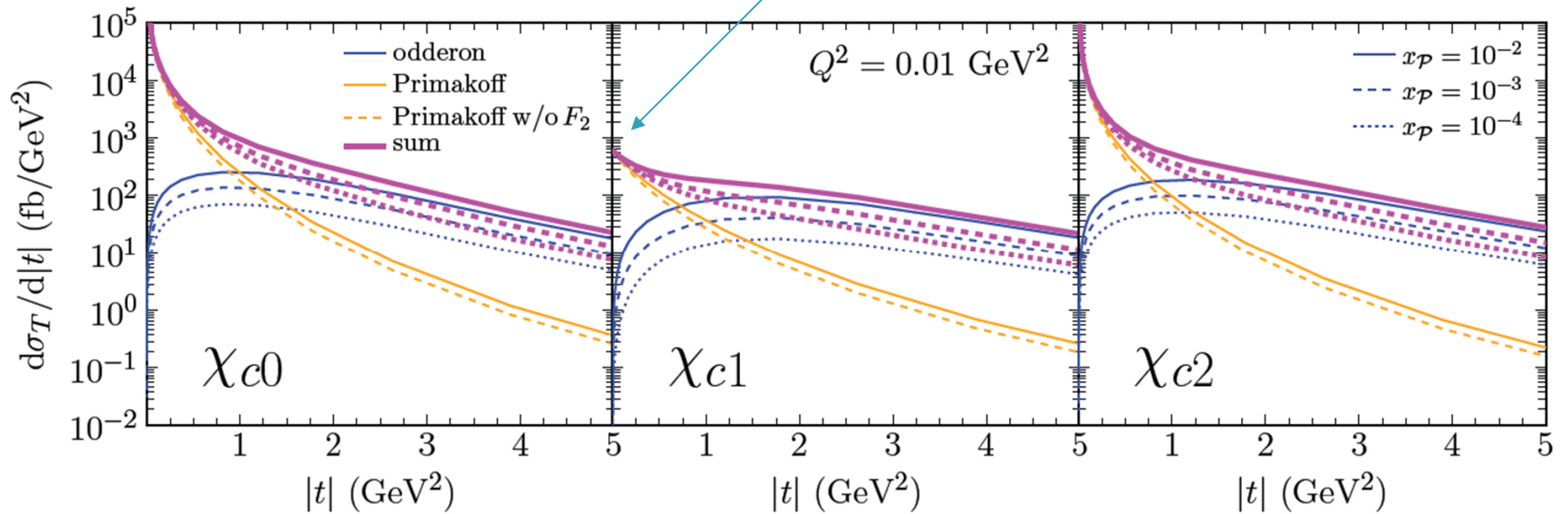
Leading Quark TMDPDFs  Nucleon Spin  Quark Spin

		Quark Polarization		
		Un-Polarized (U)	Longitudinally Polarized (L)	Transversely Polarized (T)
Nucleon Polarization	U	$f_1 = \text{Unpolarized}$ 		$h_1^\perp = \text{Boer-Mulders}$ 
	L		$g_1 = \text{Helicity}$ 	$h_{1L}^\perp = \text{Worm-gear}$ 
	T	$f_{1T}^\perp = \text{Sivers}$ 	$g_{1T}^\perp = \text{Worm-gear}$ 	$h_1 = \text{Transversity}$  $h_{1T}^\perp = \text{Pretzelosity}$ 

Measuring TMDs is one of the main objective of the EIC.

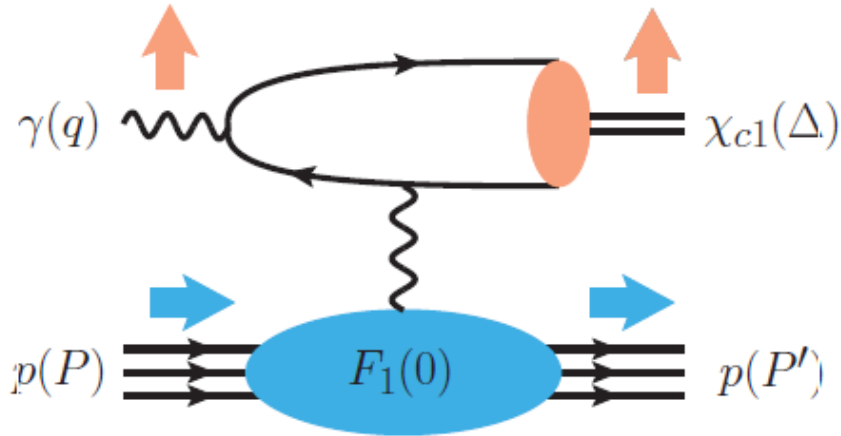
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# $\chi_{c1}$ from Primakoff and Sivers: $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$ and $t \rightarrow 0$ limit

Primakoff:

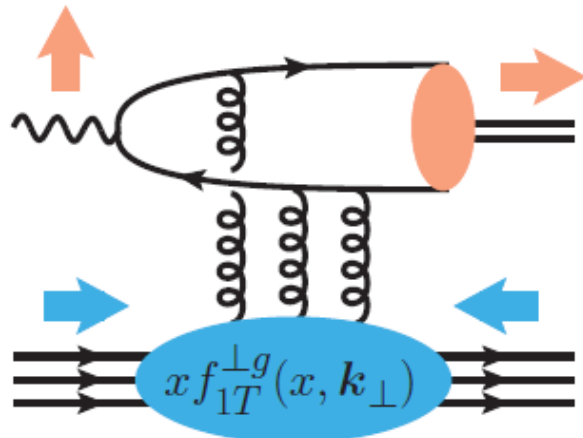


Nonrelativistic (NR) results:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{d\sigma_{\text{Prim}}}{d|t|} = \frac{3\pi q_c^4 \alpha^3 N_c |R'(0)|^2 |F_1(0)|^2}{m_c^9}$$

Derivative of NR wave function

Sivers:



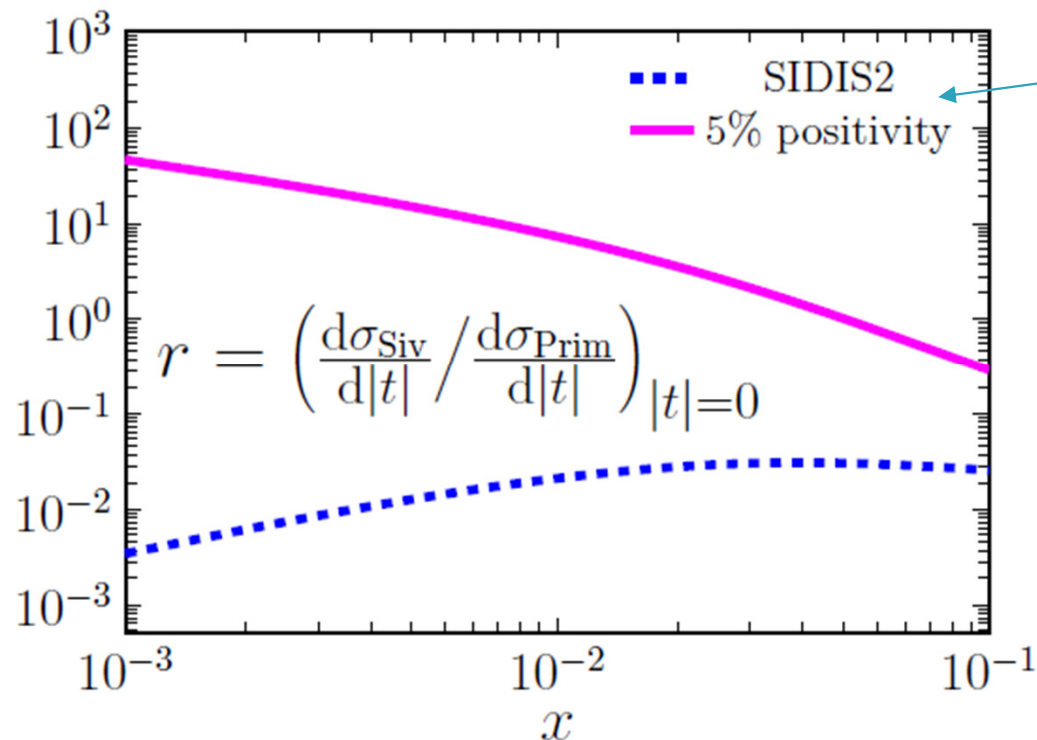
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{d\sigma_{\text{Siv}}}{d|t|} = \frac{3\pi^3 q_c^2 \alpha \alpha_S^2 M_p^2 |R'(0)|^2 |x f_{1T}^{\perp(1)g}(x)|^2}{N_c m_c^{11}}$$

$$x f_{1T}^{\perp(1)g}(x, \mu^2) \equiv \int^{\mu^2} d^2 k_{\perp} \frac{k_{\perp}^2}{2M_p^2} x f_{1T}^{\perp g}(x, k_{\perp}),$$

First moment of Sivers gluon function

# Ratio Sivers / Primakoff

$$r \equiv \left( \frac{d\sigma_{\text{Siv}}}{d|t|} / \frac{d\sigma_{\text{Prim}}}{d|t|} \right)_{t=0} \rightarrow \frac{4\pi^2}{q_c^2 N_c^2} \frac{\alpha_S^2}{\alpha^2} \frac{M_p^2}{M_\chi^2} |x f_{1T}^{\perp(1)g}(x)|^2$$



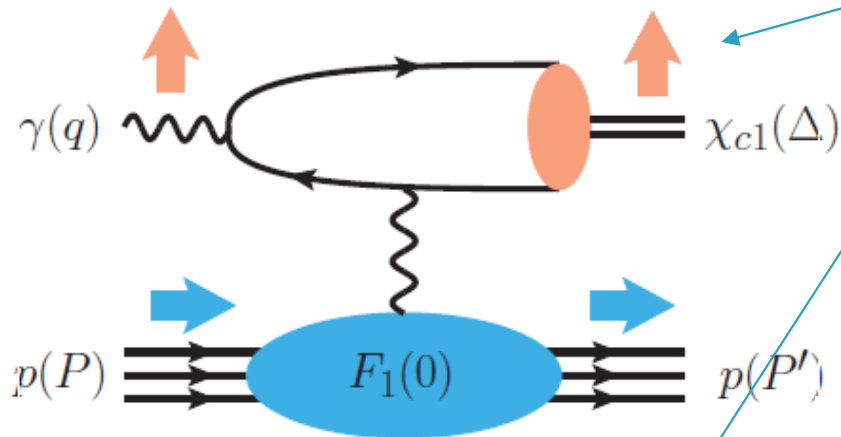
some models of Sivers TMD available in the literature

Remark:  
Sivers function is very poorly constrained.

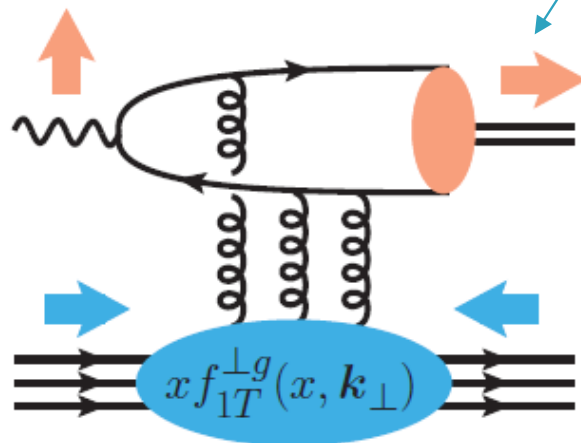
Exclusive  $\chi_{c1}$  production can be used to constrain it.

# $\chi_{c1}$ polarization

Primakoff:



Sivers:



Different polarization of  $\chi_{c1}$

Consider decay  $\chi_{c1} \rightarrow J/\psi + \gamma$

then the angular distribution of  $J/\psi$ :

$$W(\cos \vartheta, \varphi) \propto \frac{1}{(3 + \lambda_\vartheta)} (1 + \lambda_\vartheta \cos^2 \vartheta + \lambda_\varphi \sin^2 \vartheta \cos 2\varphi + \lambda_{\vartheta\varphi} \sin 2\vartheta \cos \varphi)$$

When  $t \rightarrow 0$ :

$$\lambda_\theta = \frac{2r - 1}{2r + 3} \quad r \equiv \left( \frac{d\sigma_{\text{Siv}}}{d|t|} / \frac{d\sigma_{\text{Prim}}}{d|t|} \right)_{t=0}$$

and  $\lambda_\varphi = \lambda_{\theta\varphi} = 0$

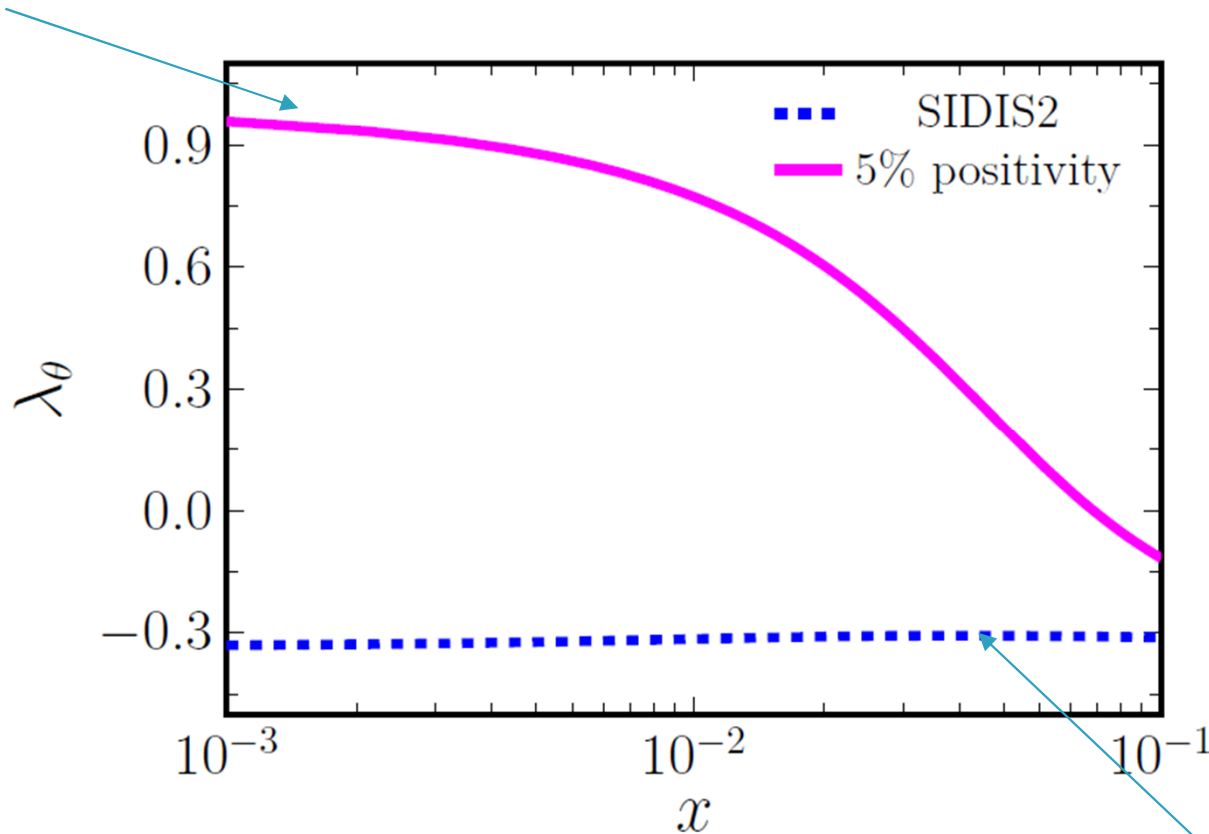


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Sivers dominance



Primakoff dominance

# Summary

- ▶ We calculated exclusive production of  $\chi_c$ .
- ▶ Finding odderon may be possible at EIC.
- ▶  $\chi_{c1}$  production at  $t = 0$  can be used to constrain the Sivers TMD.

Thank you!