

Near threshold heavy quarkonium photoproduction

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Heavy quarkonium production near threshold: a very hot topic

[Near threshold heavy vector meson photoproduction at LHC and EicC,](#)

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[QCD Analysis of Near-Threshold Photon-Proton Production of Heavy Quarkonium.](#)

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[\$\phi\$ -meson lepto-production near threshold and the strangeness \$D\$ -term,](#)

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[Extraction of the proton mass radius from the vector meson photoproductions near thresholds,](#)

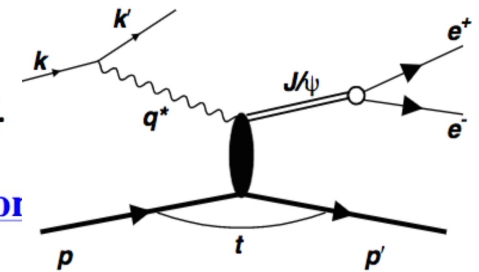
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[Quantum Anomalous Energy Effects on the Nucleon Mass,](#)

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The proton mass distribution/mass radius is one of focuses

The mass radius of the proton

Dmitri E. Kharzeev (Stony Brook U. and RIKEN BNL) (Ja Kiminad A. Mamo (Argonne), Ismail Zahed (SUNY, Stony Brook) (Mar 4, 2021)
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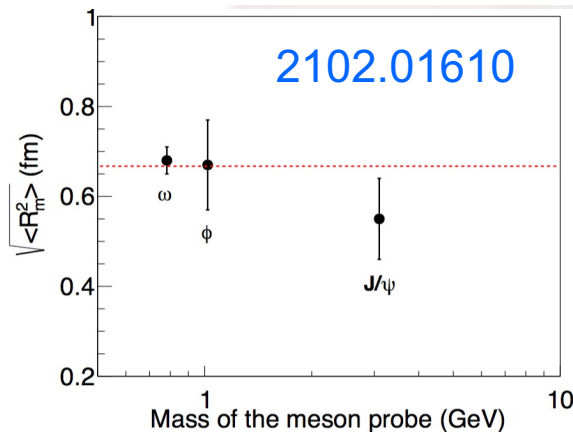
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■ All these are models

- Vector meson dominance model
- Holographic model

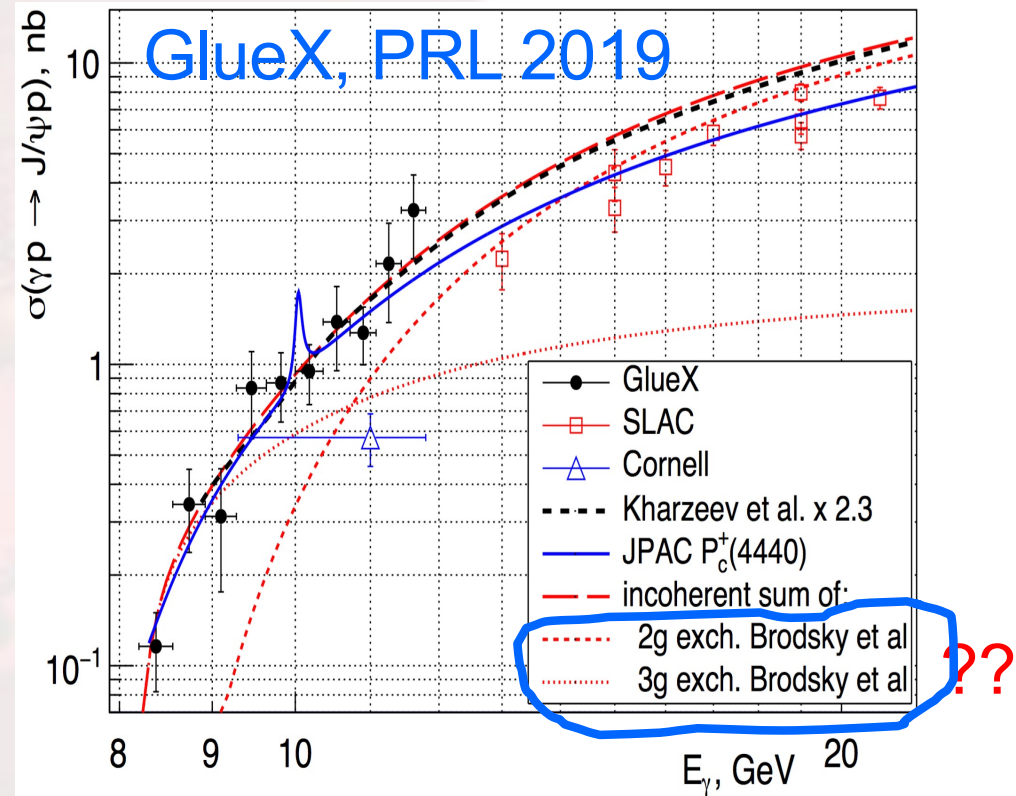
■ How rigorous (in QCD) that we can measure the proton mass distribution?

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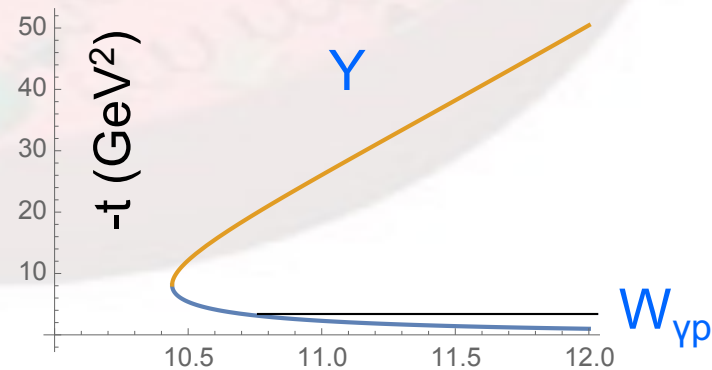
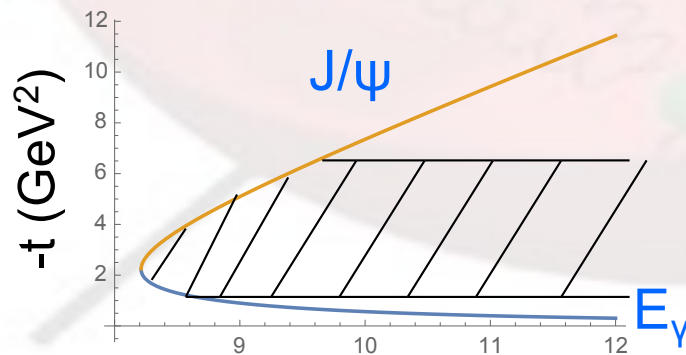
Different methods have been applied

- Which gravitational form factors contribute
 - VDM: scalar gravitational form factor, Kharzeev and others
 - Holographic model and QCD analysis: all form factors, maybe dominated by C-form factor, Hatta et al, Ji et al, Zahed et al
- Two-gluon or three-gluon?



This talk focuses on the special kinematics: large momentum transfer

- We can compute both the cross section and the form factors separately in **perturbative QCD**, then we can check that if there is/not a direct connection between the near threshold production and the gluonic gravitational form factors (and how)





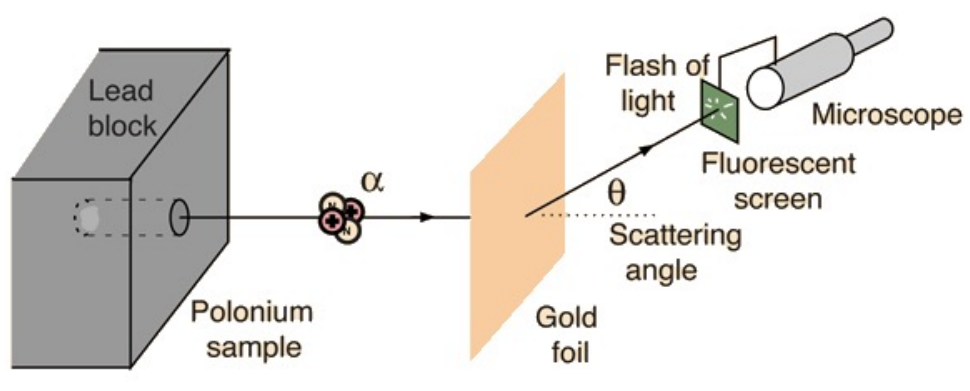
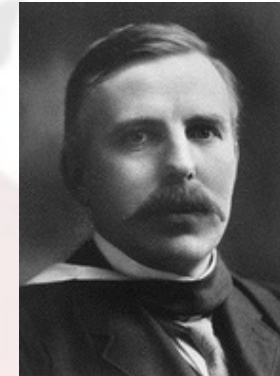
Outline

- Intro: What are the gravitational form factors
- Light-cone wave functions/distribution amplitudes
- Form factor calculations
- Threshold heavy quarkonium production
- Discussions

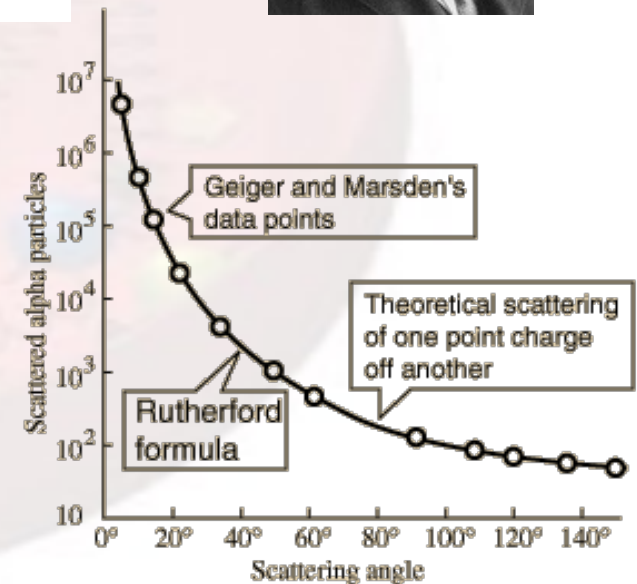
Rutherford scattering

The Scattering of α and β Particles by Matter and the Structure of the Atom

E. Rutherford, F.R.S.*
Philosophical Magazine
Series 6, vol. 21
May 1911, p. 669-688



Discovery of nuclei,
as point-like particle in atomic matter

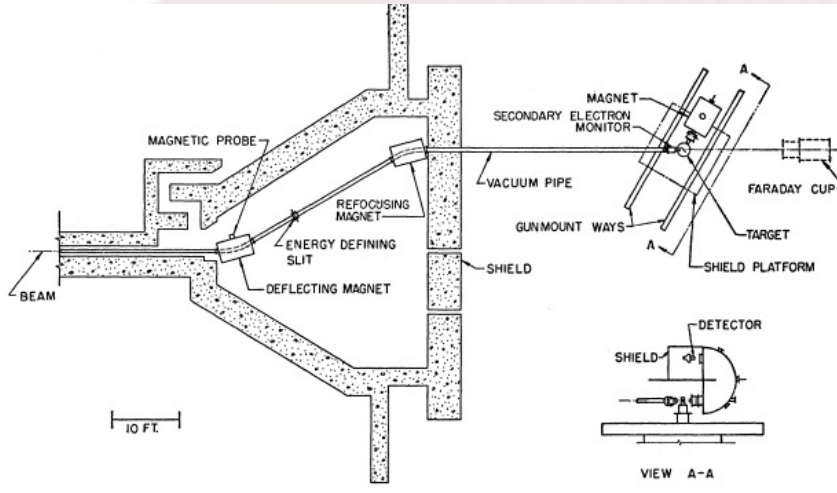


Finite size of nucleon (charge radius)

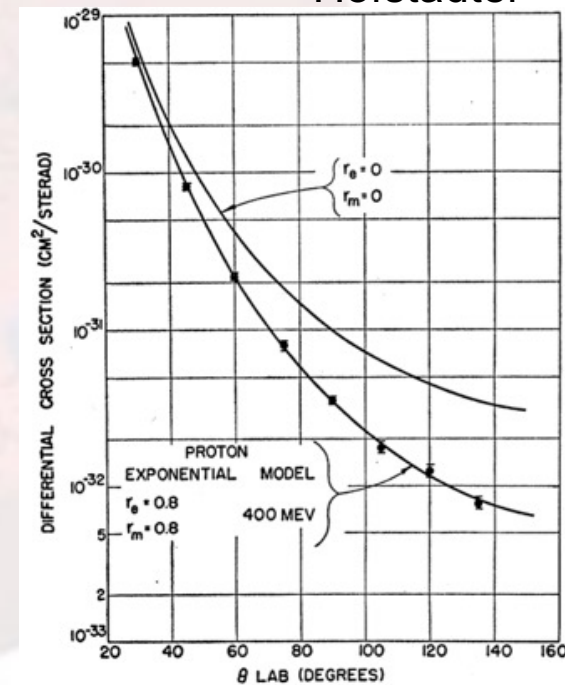


Hofstadter

- Rutherford scattering with electron



- Deviation from the point-like particle is described by the form factors

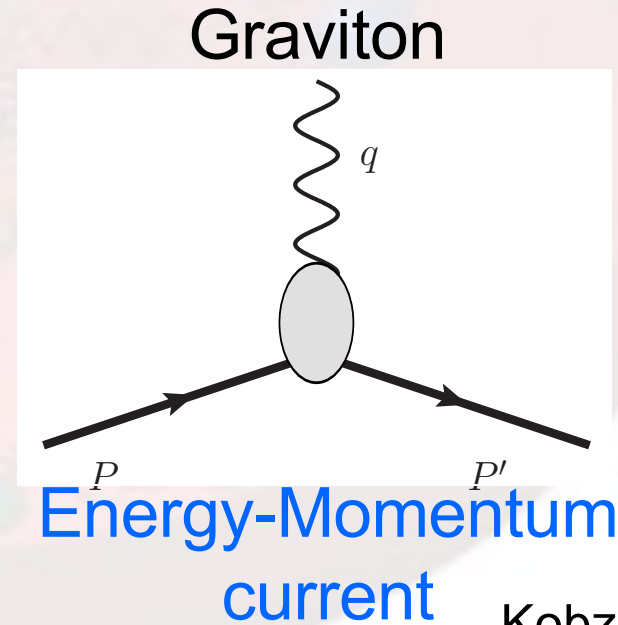
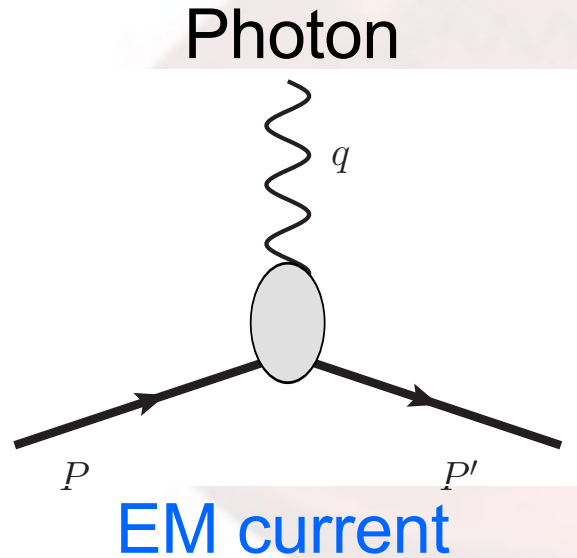


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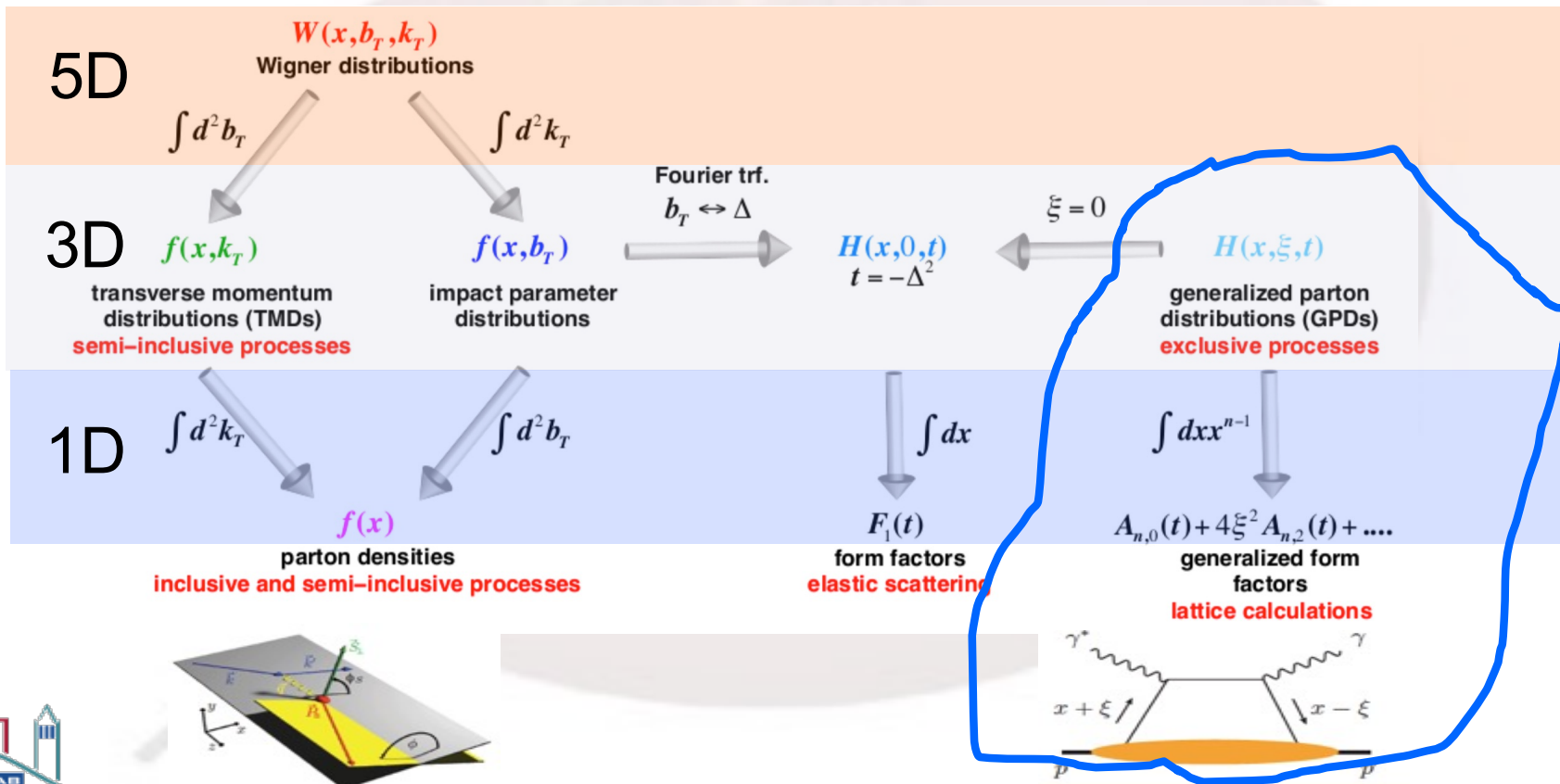
EM vs Gravitational Form Factors



Kobzarev-Okun 1992;
Pagels 1966; Ji 1997

Where to study: through GPDs

□ Wigner distributions (Belitsky, Ji, Yuan)



What do we learn

- My view: one aspect of the parton tomography in hadrons, because they are part of GPDs
 - Proton spin sum rule is derived from these form factors
- C-form factors
 - Pressure, shear force: Polyakov-Schweitzer 2018
 - Momentum-current gravitation multipoles: Ji-Liu, 2021
- Reconstruct the proton mass
 - Ji 1996; Ji 2021; Ji-Liu 2021
 - Hatta-Rajan-Tanaka 2018;
 - Metz-Pasquini-Rodini 2020

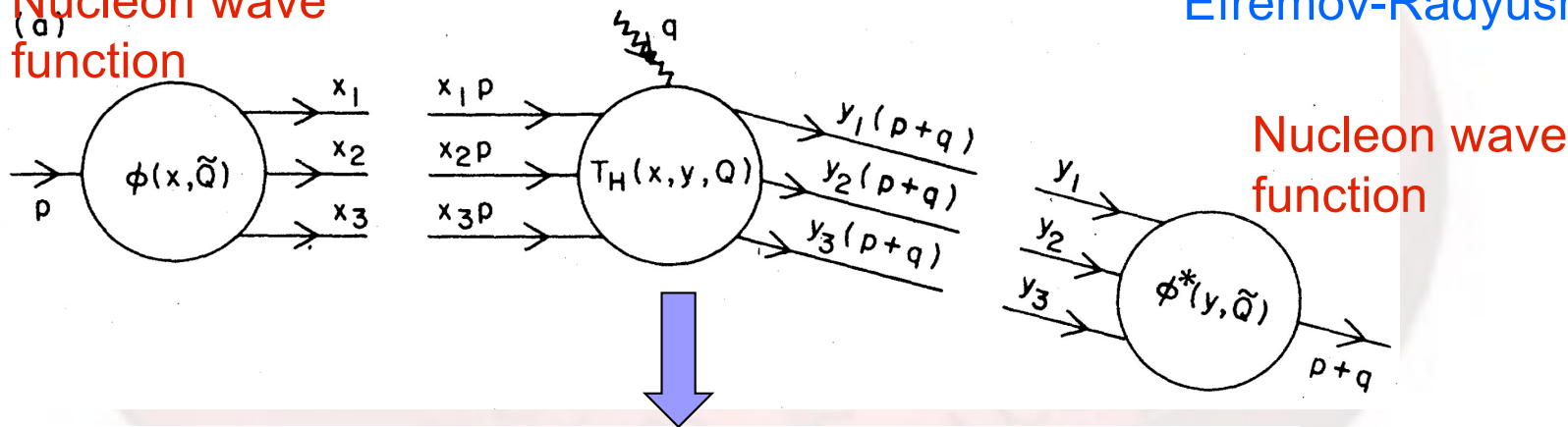
$$\begin{aligned} \langle P', s' | T_a^{\mu\nu}(0) | P, s \rangle = & \bar{u}_s(P') \left[A_a(t) \gamma^{(\mu} \bar{P}^{\nu)} \right. \\ & + B_a(t) \frac{i \bar{P}^{(\mu} \sigma^{\nu)\rho} \Delta_\rho}{2\Lambda} + C_a(t) \frac{\Delta^\mu \Delta^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} \Delta^2}{\Lambda} \\ & \left. + \bar{C}_a(t) \Lambda g^{\mu\nu} \right] u_s(P), \end{aligned}$$

Form factors at large momentum transfer

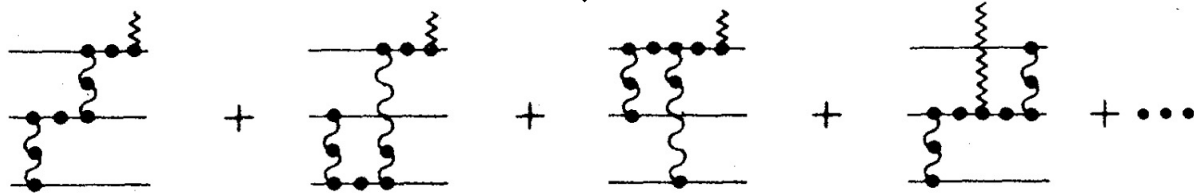
Perturbatively, one can compute the form factors at large momentum transfer

Lepage-Brodsky 1980
Efremov-Radyushkin 1980

Nucleon wave function
(a)



Nucleon wave function

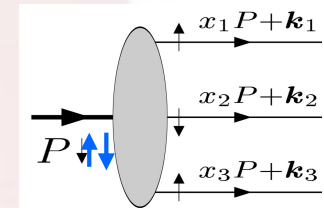


Light-cone Wave Functions

Lepage-Brodsky 1980

- They are building blocks for the hadron structure

$$|P\rangle = \sum_{n, \lambda_i} \int \bar{\pi}_i \frac{dx_i d^2 k_{\perp i}}{\sqrt{x_i} 16\pi^3} \phi_n(x_i, k_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) |n : x_i, k_{\perp i}, \lambda_i\rangle$$



- Fock state of **n-partons**: momentum fractions, transverse momenta, helicities
- Can be used to calculate the form factors, GPDs, and hard exclusive scattering amplitudes, including **near threshold heavy quarkonium production**

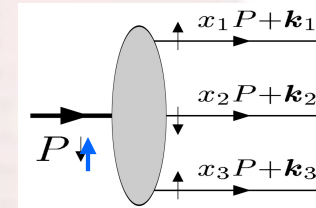
Nucleon's 3-quarks WF

Ji, Ma, Yuan, 2002

- According to the general structure, six independent light-cone wave functions for three quarks component:

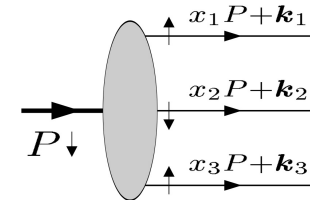
$$|P \uparrow\rangle_{1/2} = \int d[1]d[2]d[3] \left(\tilde{\psi}^{(1)}(1, 2, 3) \right) \quad L_z=0$$

$$\times \frac{\epsilon^{abc}}{\sqrt{6}} u_{a\uparrow}^\dagger(1) \left(u_{b\downarrow}^\dagger(2) d_{c\uparrow}^\dagger(3) - d_{b\downarrow}^\dagger(2) u_{c\uparrow}^\dagger(3) \right) |0\rangle$$



$$|P \downarrow\rangle_{1/2} = \int d[1]d[2]d[3] \left((k_1^x - ik_1^y) \tilde{\psi}^{(3)}(1, 2, 3) + (k_2^x - ik_2^y) \tilde{\psi}^{(4)}(1, 2, 3) \right)$$

$$\times \frac{\epsilon^{abc}}{\sqrt{6}} \left(u_{a\downarrow}^\dagger(1) u_{b\uparrow}^\dagger(2) d_{c\uparrow}^\dagger(3) - d_{a\downarrow}^\dagger(1) u_{b\uparrow}^\dagger(2) u_{c\uparrow}^\dagger(3) \right) |0\rangle, \quad |L_z|=1$$



Distribution amplitudes

- Integrate out the transverse momentum

- Twist-three (leading-twist)

$$\Phi_3(y_i) = -2\sqrt{6} \int \frac{d^2\vec{k}'_{1\perp} d^2\vec{k}'_{2\perp} d^2\vec{k}'_{3\perp}}{(2\pi)^6} \delta^{(2)}(\vec{k}'_{1\perp} + \vec{k}'_{2\perp} + \vec{k}'_{3\perp}) \tilde{\psi}^{(1)}(1, 2, 3)$$

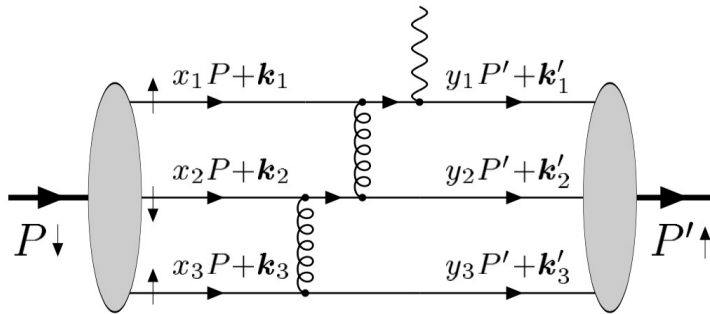
- Twist-four ([Braun-Fries-Mahnke-Stein 2000](#))

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_4(x_1, x_2, x_3) = & -\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{x_2 M} \int \frac{d^2\vec{k}_{1\perp} d^2\vec{k}_{2\perp} d^2\vec{k}_{3\perp}}{(2\pi)^6} \delta^{(2)}(\vec{k}_{1\perp} + \vec{k}_{2\perp} + \vec{k}_{3\perp}) \\ & \times \vec{k}_{2\perp} \cdot \left[\vec{k}_{1\perp} \tilde{\psi}^{(3)}(1, 2, 3) + \vec{k}_{2\perp} \tilde{\psi}^{(4)}(1, 2, 3) \right] . \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_4(x_2, x_1, x_3) = & -\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{x_3 M} \int \frac{d^2\vec{k}_{1\perp} d^2\vec{k}_{2\perp} d^2\vec{k}_{3\perp}}{(2\pi)^6} \delta^{(2)}(\vec{k}_{1\perp} + \vec{k}_{2\perp} + \vec{k}_{3\perp}) \\ & \times \vec{k}_{3\perp} \cdot \left[\vec{k}_{1\perp} \tilde{\psi}^{(3)}(1, 2, 3) + \vec{k}_{2\perp} \tilde{\psi}^{(4)}(1, 2, 3) \right] . \end{aligned}$$

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Form factor calculations



Compute the partonic scattering amplitudes, convert to hadron's
Leading-twist: direct integration of k_t , higher-twist: need k_t -expansion

- Two gluon exchanges are needed to generate large momentum transfer
- Helicity-non-flip has power behavior, $F_1 \sim 1/t^2$
- Helicity-flip amplitude has power behavior, $F_2 \sim 1/t^3$

Gravitational form factors:

No much difference, only some surprises

■ Pion case

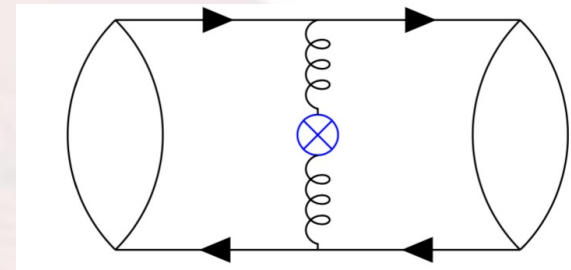
$$\langle P' | T_g^{\mu\nu} | P \rangle = 2\bar{P}^\mu \bar{P}^\nu A_g^\pi(t) + \frac{1}{2}(\Delta^\mu \Delta^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} \Delta^2) C_g^\pi(t) + 2m^2 g^{\mu\nu} \bar{C}_g^\pi(t)$$

$$A_g^\pi(t) = C_g^\pi(t) = \frac{4m^2}{t} \bar{C}_g^\pi(t) = \frac{4\pi\alpha_s C_F}{-t} \int dx_1 dy_1 \phi^*(y_1) \phi(x_1) \left(\frac{1}{x_1 \bar{x}_1} + \frac{1}{y_1 \bar{y}_1} \right)$$

□ $A_g = C_g$!!

□ \bar{C} cancels between quarks and gluons

- Quark part from GPD quark at large-t (Hoodbhoy-Ji-Yuan 2003)



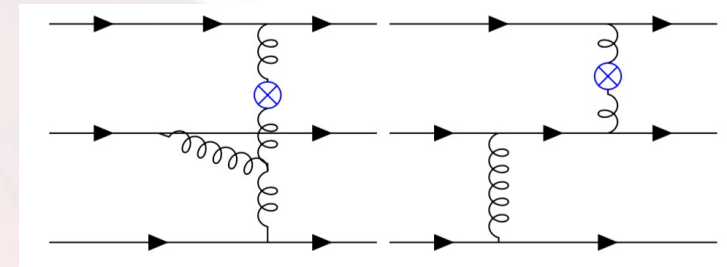
Tong-Ma-Yuan, 2103.12047;
Different from Tanaka, PRD 2018

➤ May introduce difficulty in the interpretation, since integral over t is not convergent

Polyakov-Schweitzer 2018
Freese-Miller 2021

$$\langle P', s' | T_a^{\mu\nu}(0) | P, s \rangle = \bar{u}_s(P') \left[A_a(t) \gamma^{(\mu} \bar{P}^{\nu)} \right. \\ \left. + B_a(t) \frac{i \bar{P}^{(\mu} \sigma^{\nu)\rho} \Delta_\rho}{2\Lambda} + C_a(t) \frac{\Delta^\mu \Delta^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} \Delta^2}{\Lambda} \right. \\ \left. + \bar{C}_a(t) \Lambda g^{\mu\nu} \right] u_s(P),$$

Nucleon case



- No contribution from three-gluon vertex diagram
- $A_g \sim 1/t^2$
- B_g, C_g scale as $1/t^3$, \bar{C}_g scales as $1/t^2$

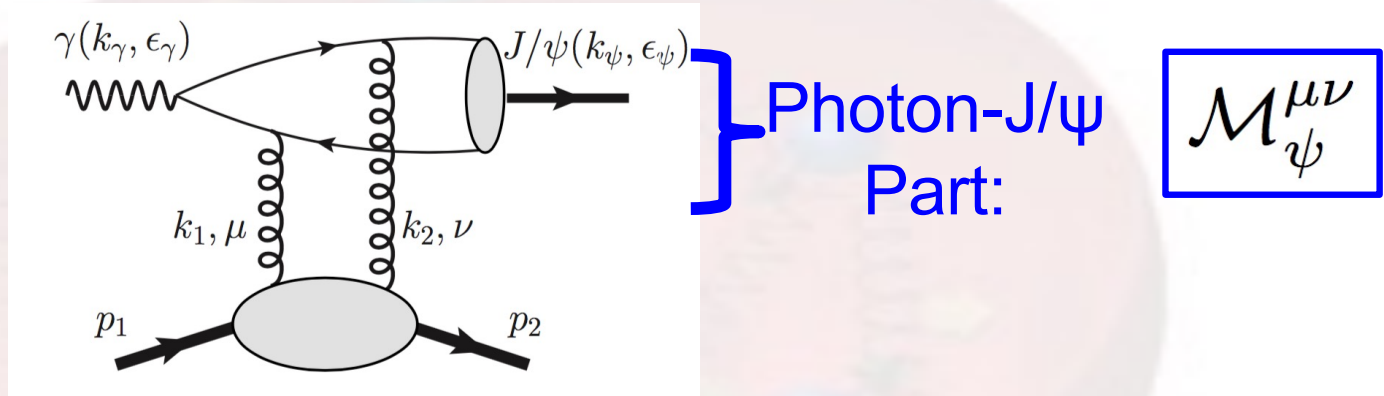
$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{4\pi^2 \alpha_s^2 C_B^2}{3t^2} \left(I_{13} + I_{12} + I_{31} + I_{32} \right),$$

$$I_{ij} = \frac{x_i + y_i}{\bar{x}_i \bar{y}_i x_i x_j y_i y_j}$$

Tong-Ma-Yuan, 2103.12047

Threshold photoproduction of heavy quarkonium

Near threshold production: kinematics



■ Two limits

□ Threshold: $\chi = \frac{M_V^2 + 2\tilde{M}_p M_V}{W_{\gamma p}^2 - M_p^2} \rightarrow 1$, $(1-\chi)$ a small parameter, Brodsky et al 2001

□ Heavy quark limits

$$W_{\gamma p}^2 \sim M_V^2 \gg (-t) \gg \Lambda_{QCD}^2,$$

$$p_1 \cdot k_\gamma \sim p_1 \cdot k_\psi \sim M_V^2$$

$$p_2 \cdot k_\gamma \sim p_2 \cdot k_\psi \ll M_V^2$$

$\mathcal{M}_{\psi}^{\mu\nu}$

- NRQCD for heavy quarkonium production [Bodwin-Braaten-Lepage 1995](#)
- Propagators are of order heavy quark mass, $\sim 1/M_V$
- Take transverse polarization for the incoming photon

$$\mathcal{M}_{\psi,ab}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{\delta^{ab} N_{\psi} \left[\epsilon_{\psi}^* \cdot \epsilon_{\gamma} \mathcal{W}_T^{\mu\nu} + \epsilon_{\psi}^* \cdot k \mathcal{W}_L^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{W}_S^{\mu\nu} \right]}{k_1 \cdot k_{\gamma} k_2 \cdot k_{\gamma}}$$

$$\mathcal{W}_T^{\mu\nu} = -k_1 \cdot k_{\gamma} k_2 \cdot k_{\gamma} g^{\mu\nu} - k_1 \cdot k_2 k_{\gamma}^{\mu} k_{\gamma}^{\nu} + k_1 \cdot k_{\gamma} k_2^{\mu} k_{\gamma}^{\nu} + k_2 \cdot k_{\gamma} k_1^{\nu} k_{\gamma}^{\mu}$$

$$\mathcal{W}_L^{\mu\nu} = k_1 \cdot k_{\gamma} \epsilon_{\gamma}^{\nu} k_2^{\mu} + k_2 \cdot k_{\gamma} \epsilon_{\gamma}^{\mu} k_1^{\nu}$$

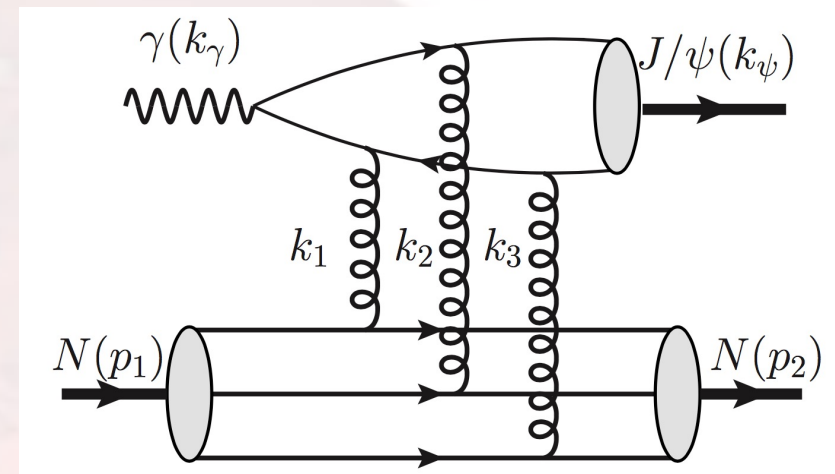
$$\mathcal{W}_S^{\mu\nu} = -k_1 \cdot k_2 \left(k_1 \cdot k_{\gamma} \epsilon_{\psi}^{*\mu} \epsilon_{\gamma}^{\nu} + k_2 \cdot k_{\gamma} \epsilon_{\psi}^{*\nu} \epsilon_{\gamma}^{\mu} + k_1 \cdot \epsilon_{\psi}^* k_{\gamma}^{\nu} \epsilon_{\gamma}^{\mu} + k_2 \cdot \epsilon_{\psi}^* k_{\gamma}^{\mu} \epsilon_{\gamma}^{\nu} \right) .$$

Leading terms



Vanishing of three-gluon exchange

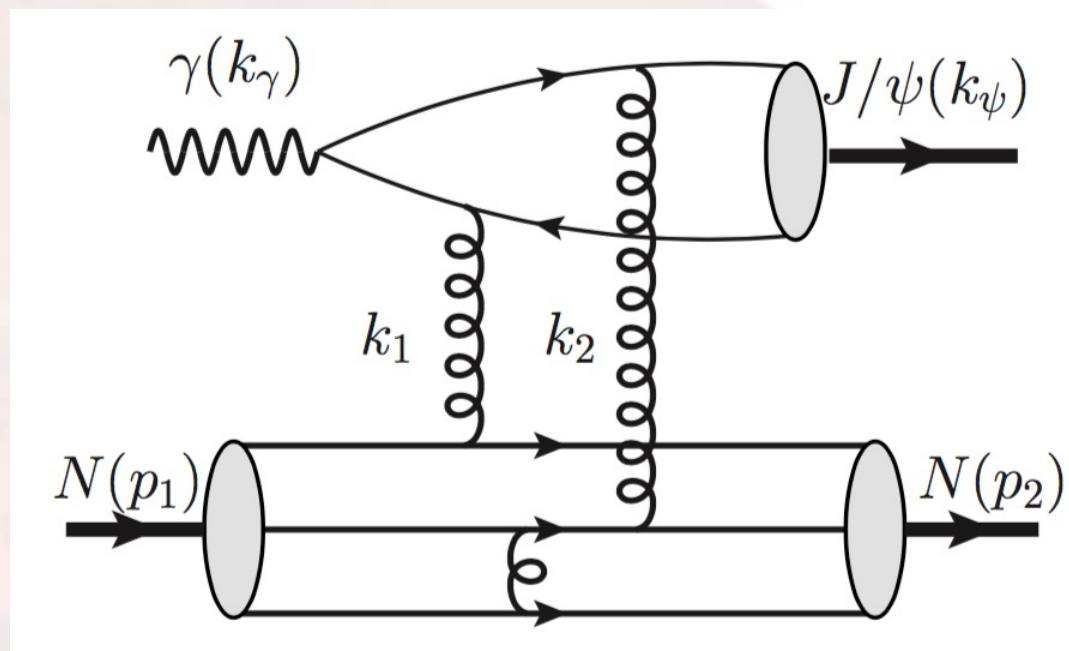
- Suggested by Brodsky et al, 2001, and widely accepted by exp. and claimed that
 - Two-gluon exchange suppressed by $(1-x)^2$, where three-gluon dominates at threshold
- Due to C-parity conservation, there is no contribution from the three-gluon exchange



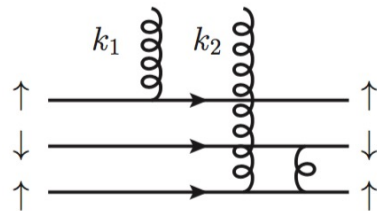
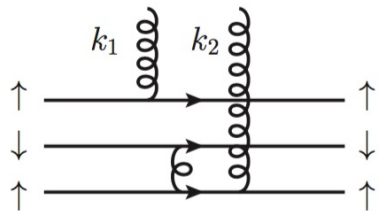
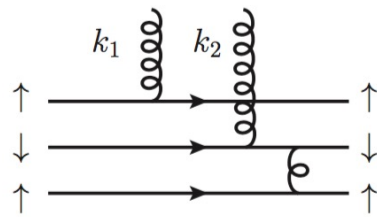
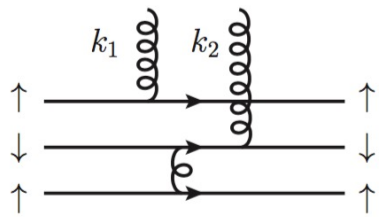
$$\epsilon^{ijk} \epsilon^{lmn} T_{il}^a T_{jm}^b T_{kn}^c \propto d^{abc}$$

Couple to the Nucleon

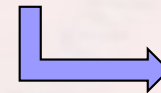
- Additional gluon exchange to generate large- t
- Nucleon spin configurations
 - Helicity conserved
 - Helicity-flip



Partonic scattering: I



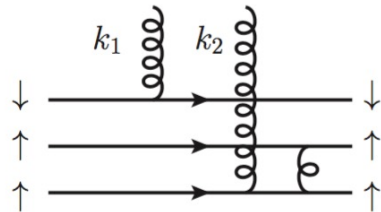
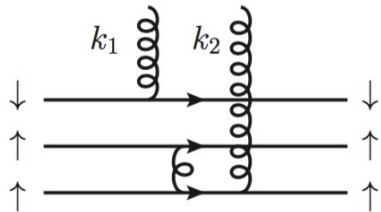
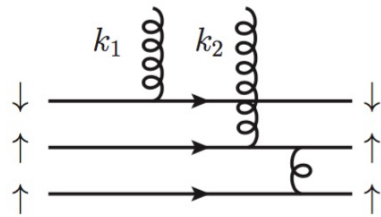
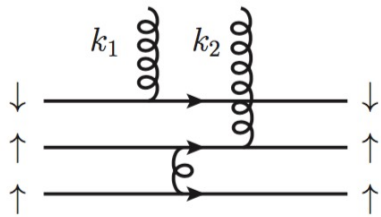
$$\bar{U}(p_2)\gamma^\mu U(p_1)\text{Tr}\left[\frac{1+\gamma_5}{2}\not{p}_2\cdots\gamma^\nu\cdots\frac{1+\gamma_5}{2}\not{p}_1\cdots\right]$$



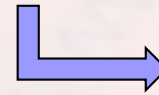
$$\bar{U}(p_2)\gamma^\mu U(p_1)\bar{P}^\nu$$

- k_1 attaches the helicity-up quark line

Partonic scattering: II



$$\bar{U}(p_2)\gamma^\rho U(p_1)\text{Tr}\left[\frac{1+\gamma_5}{2}\not{p}_2\cdots\gamma^\nu\cdots\frac{1+\gamma_5}{2}\not{p}_1\cdots\gamma^\rho\cdots\right]$$



$$\bar{U}(p_2)\gamma^\mu U(p_1)\bar{P}^\nu$$

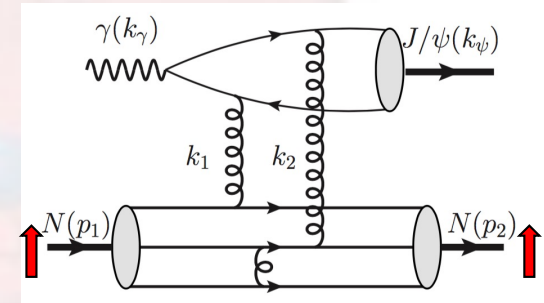
- k_1 attaches the helicity-down quark line

Final amplitude

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_3 &= \langle J/\psi(\epsilon_\psi), N'_\uparrow | \gamma(\epsilon_\gamma), N_\uparrow \rangle \\ &= \int [dx][dy] \Phi(x_1, x_2, x_3) \Phi^*(y_1, y_2, y_3) \frac{1}{(-t)^2} \\ &\quad \times \bar{U}_\uparrow(p_2) \not{k}_\gamma U_\uparrow(p_1) \mathcal{M}_\psi^{(3)}(\epsilon_\gamma, \epsilon_\psi, \{x_i\}, \{y_i\}), \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{M}^{(3)} = \epsilon_\psi^* \cdot \epsilon_\gamma \frac{8e_c e g_s^6}{27 \sqrt{3} M_\psi^7} \psi_J(0) (2\mathcal{H}_3 + \mathcal{H}'_3)$$

- Similar structure as A_g form factor or GPD H_g contribution



$$\mathcal{H}_3 = I_{13} + I_{31} + I_{12} + I_{32}, \quad I_{ij} = \frac{1}{x_i x_j y_i y_j \bar{x}_i^2 \bar{y}_i}$$

Amplitude squared

$$|\overline{\mathcal{A}}_3|^2 = (1 - \chi) G_\psi G_{p3}(t) G_{p3}^*(t) \quad G_\psi = |N_\psi|^2 = \frac{384\pi^2 e_c^2 \alpha (4\pi\alpha_s)^2}{N_c^2 M_\psi^3} \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}^\psi(^3S_1^{(1)}) | 0 \rangle$$

$$G_{p3}(t) = \frac{8\pi^2 \alpha_s^2 C_B^2}{3t^2} \int [dx][dy] \Phi_3(\{x\}) \Phi_3^*(\{y\}) [2\mathcal{H}_3 + \mathcal{H}'_3]$$

- Suppressed at the threshold, $\chi \rightarrow 1$
- This behavior is similar to H_g contribution to J/ψ production in the GPD formalism with $1-\xi$ suppression factor
 - Hoodbhoy 1996, see also, Koempel-Kroll-Metz-Zhou 2012, Guo-Ji-Liu 2021

- Power behavior of $1/t^4$



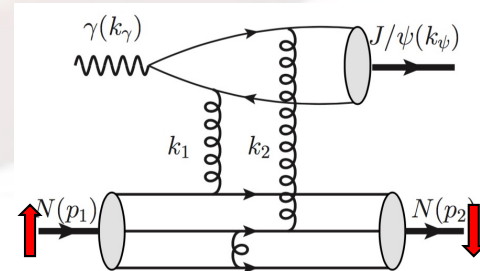
Twist-four contribution

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_4 &= \langle J/\psi(\epsilon_\psi), N'_\uparrow | \gamma(\epsilon_\gamma), N_\downarrow \rangle \\ &= \int [dx][dy] \Psi_4(\{x\}) \Phi_3^*(\{y\}) \mathcal{M}_\psi^{(4)}(\{x\}, \{y\}) \\ &\quad \times \bar{U}_\uparrow(p_2) U_\downarrow(p_1) \frac{M_p}{(-t)^3}, \end{aligned}$$

$$|\overline{\mathcal{A}}_4|^2 = \tilde{m}_t^2 G_\psi G_{p4}(t) G_{p4}^*(t) \quad \tilde{m}_t^2 = M_p^2/(-t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} G_{p4}(t) &= \frac{C_B^2 (4\pi\alpha_s)^2}{12t^2} \int [dx][dy] \Phi_3(y_1, y_2, y_3) \\ &\quad \times \{ x_3 \Phi_4(x_1, x_2, x_3) T_{4\Phi}(\{x\}, \{y\}) \\ &\quad + x_1 \Psi_4(x_2, x_1, x_3) T_{4\Psi}(\{x\}, \{y\}) \}, \end{aligned}$$

- Helicity-flip amplitude
- kt-expansion, similar to F_2 form factor
- There is no interference between twist-3 and twist-4
- Power behavior $\sim 1/t^5$



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Connection to the gluonic gravitational form factors

There is no direct connection to the gluonic gravitational form factors

■ Scattering amplitude

$$G_{p3}(t) = \int [dx][dy] \Phi_3(x_1, x_2, x_3) \Phi_3^*(y_1, y_2, y_3) \times [2\mathcal{H}_3 + \mathcal{H}'_3] ,$$

$$\mathcal{H}_3 = \frac{8\pi^2 \alpha_s^2 C_B^2}{3t^2} (I_{13} + I_{31} + I_{12} + I_{32})$$

$$I_{ij} = \frac{1}{x_i x_j y_i y_j \bar{x}_i^2 \bar{y}_i}$$

■ Gluonic Form Factors

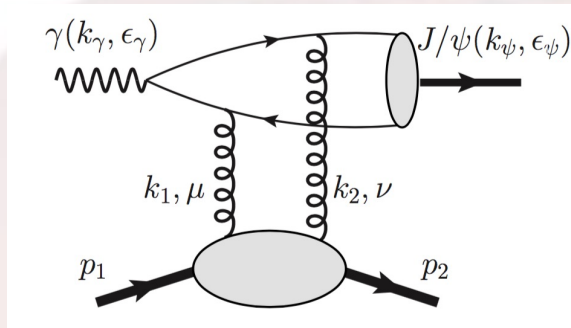
$$A_g(t) = \int [dx][dy] \Phi_3(x_1, x_2, x_3) \Phi_3^*(y_1, y_2, y_3) \times [2\mathcal{A}_3 + \mathcal{A}'_3] ,$$

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{4\pi^2 \alpha_s^2 C_B^2}{3t^2} (I_{13} + I_{12} + I_{31} + I_{32}),$$

$$I_{ij} = \frac{x_i + y_i}{\bar{x}_i \bar{y}_i x_i x_j y_i y_j}$$

Discussion: construct the gluon operators

- Take the leading contribution of heavy quark mass limit



} Photon- J/ψ
Part:

$$\mathcal{M}_\psi^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_\psi^{\mu\nu} = N_\psi \epsilon_\psi^* \cdot \epsilon_\gamma \frac{k_{\gamma,\alpha} k_{\gamma,\beta}}{k_1 \cdot k_\gamma k_2 \cdot k_\gamma} \mathcal{W}_T^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{W}_T^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} = -k_1^\alpha k_2^\beta g^{\mu\nu} - k_1 \cdot k_2 g^{\alpha\mu} g^{\beta\nu} + k_1^\nu k_2^\beta g^{\alpha\mu} + k_2^\mu k_1^\alpha g^{\beta\nu},$$

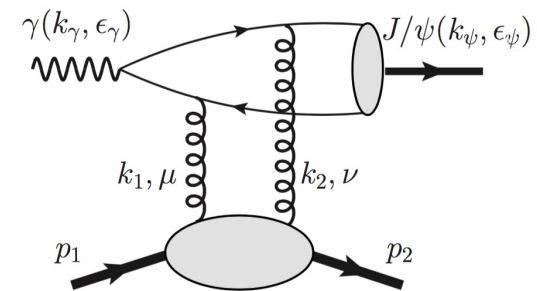
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Connect to gravitational form factors?

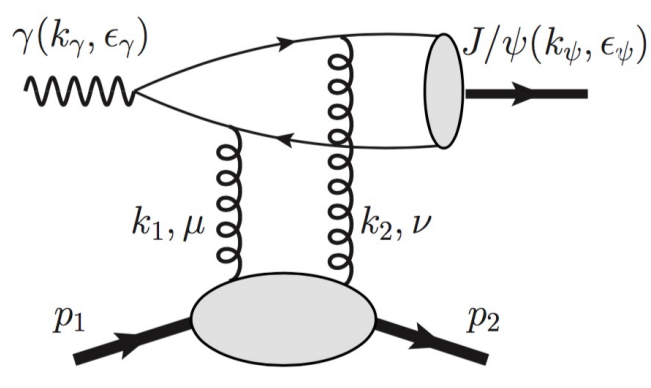
$$A \propto \int d^4\eta_1 d^4\eta_2 d^4k_1 d^4k_2 e^{ik_1 \cdot \eta_1 + ik_2 \cdot \eta_2} \frac{k_\gamma^\alpha k_\gamma^\beta}{k_1 \cdot k_\gamma k_2 \cdot k_\gamma} \times \langle N' | F^\alpha{}_\rho(\eta_1) F^{\beta\rho}(\eta_2) | N \rangle . \quad ($$

- We have to make approximations: the two gluons in the t-channel carry the same momentum

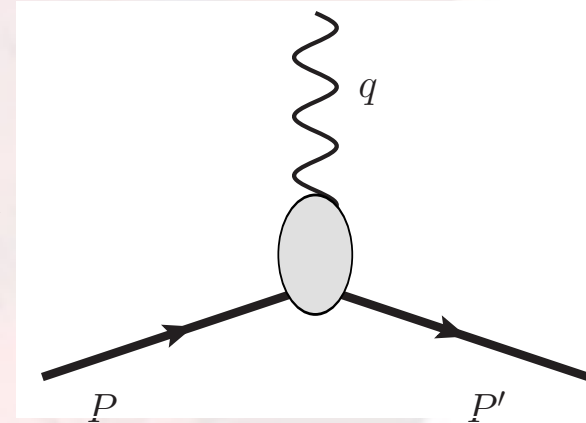
$$A \propto \frac{k_\gamma^\alpha k_\gamma^\beta}{\langle k_1 \cdot k_\gamma k_2 \cdot k_\gamma \rangle} \langle T_g^{\alpha\beta} \rangle$$



It is a long stretch to make this connection



Graviton



- The QCD dynamics involved in the **on-shell** photon (massless) transition to a **massive** heavy quarkonium does not allow a simple interpretation

Compare to the GPD formalism

Discussion: compare to the GPD formalism

$$\mathcal{M}(\varepsilon_V, \varepsilon) = \frac{8\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha_S(M_V)}{M_V^2} \phi^*(0) G(t, \xi) (\varepsilon_V^* \cdot \varepsilon)$$

Guo-Ji-Liu 2021;

See also

Hatta-Strikman 2021

$$G(t, \xi) = \frac{1}{2\xi} \int_{-1}^1 dx \mathcal{A}(x, \xi) \boxed{F_g(x, \xi, t)}$$

GPDs

$$\mathcal{A}(x, \xi) \equiv \frac{1}{x + \xi - i0} - \frac{1}{x - \xi + i0}$$

- Guo-Ji-Liu 2021 argue that this can also apply near the threshold
 - Very strong argument
- Large- t gluon GPD can be calculated in perturbative QCD
 - Ji-Hoodbhoy-Yuan 2004, for quark GPDs
 - Consistency is checked

Earlier references in GPD formalism:
Hoodbhoy 1996; Koempel-Kroll-Metz-Zhou
2012 and references therein



Taylor expansion of the hard coefficient

$$G(t, \xi) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\xi^{2n+2}} \int_{-1}^1 dx x^{2n} F_g(x, \xi, t)$$

- Only the leading term corresponds to the gluonic gravitational form factors

$$\begin{aligned} G(t, \xi) &= \frac{1}{\xi^2 (\bar{P}^+)^2} \langle P' | \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a,i} F^{a,+i}(0) F^{a,+}_i(0) | P \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2\xi^2 (\bar{P}^+)^2} \langle P' | T_g^{++} | P \rangle , \end{aligned}$$

Boussarie-Hatta 2020;
Hatta-Strikman 2021;
Guo-Ji-Liu 2021;

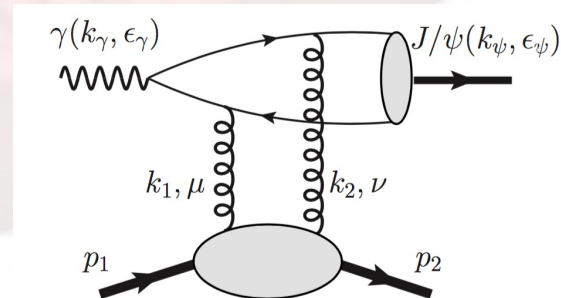
What does this approximation mean?

- The leading term is equivalent to: **no x-dependence** in the hard part

$$\mathcal{A}(x, \xi) \equiv \frac{1}{x + \xi - i0} - \frac{1}{x - \xi + i0}$$

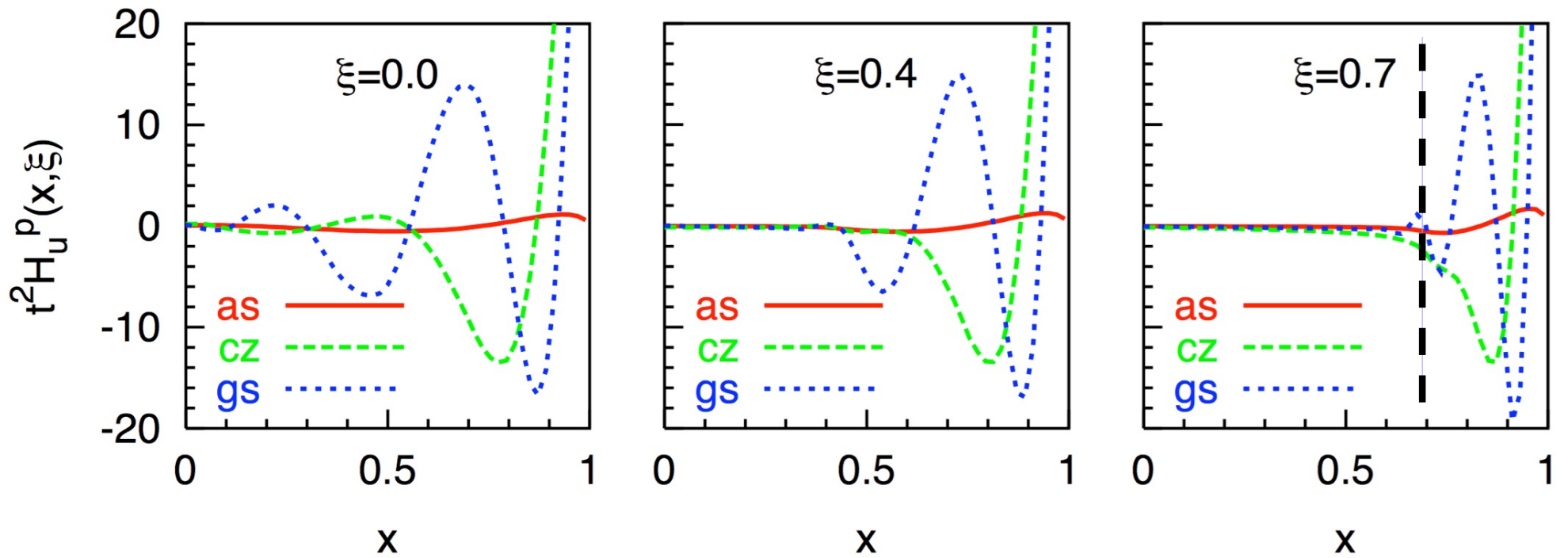
- Which means that **same momentum** for the two gluons

$$\mathcal{A} \propto \frac{k_\gamma^\alpha k_\gamma^\beta}{\langle k_1 \cdot k_\gamma k_2 \cdot k_\gamma \rangle} \langle T_g^{\alpha\beta} \rangle$$



- If the GPD gluon distributions have power behaviors $(\xi^2 - x^2)^2$, this approximation is not that bad
 - Guo-Ji-Liu 2021, Hatta-Strikman 2021, $\sim 20\%$ corrections
 - Power behavior is supported by evolution at asymptotic scale (see, review by Markus Diehl and references therein)
- **However**
 - There may not be a simple Taylor expansion at high order perturbative QCD
 - At low/moderate scale, a power behavior may not be manifest for the GPD gluon distributions
 - Cross section contribution has divergence around $\xi=x$, the Taylor expansion will be much more subtle

An example



Ji-Hoodbhoy-Yuan PRL2004



Discussion: higher order corrections

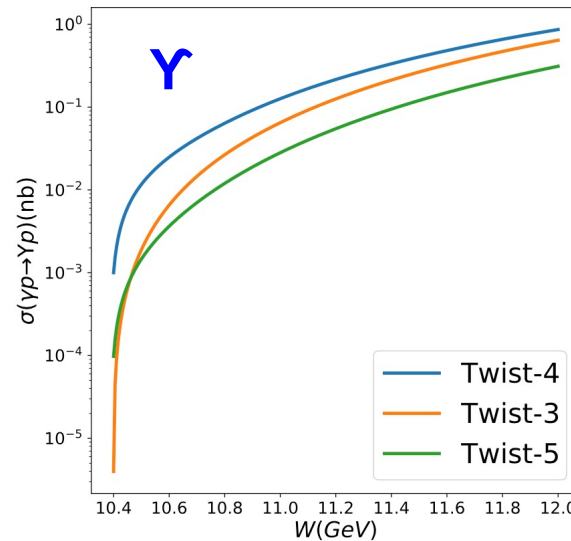
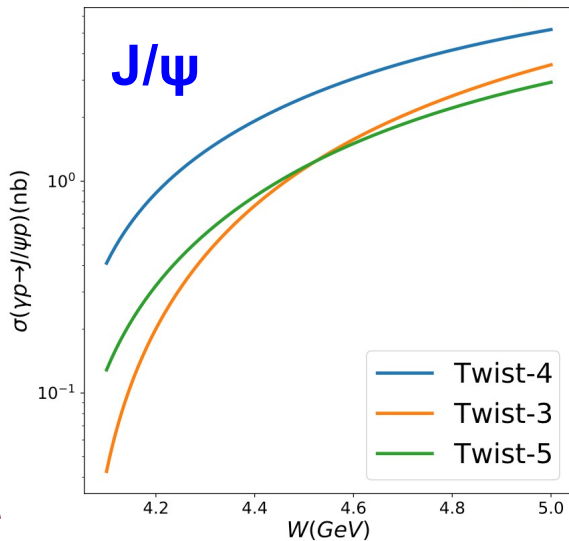
- α_s corrections will be important to check if the power counting results would be strongly modified
 - Four-gluon exchange contribution (brought by Stan), either power suppressed or α_s corrections to two-gluon exchange
- If/how the final state interactions between the proton and heavy quarkonium will improve/modify the factorization arguments in our/others' calculations
 - Relativistic corrections in NRQCD are worthwhile to explore

Phenomenology

Phenomenology application: Differential cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \Big|_{(-t) \gg \Lambda_{QCD}^2} = \frac{1}{16\pi(W_{\gamma p}^2 - M_p^2)^2} (|\overline{\mathcal{A}}_3|^2 + |\overline{\mathcal{A}}_4|^2)$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{(-t)^4} [(1 - \chi)\mathcal{N}_3 + \tilde{m}_t^2 \mathcal{N}_4] ,$$

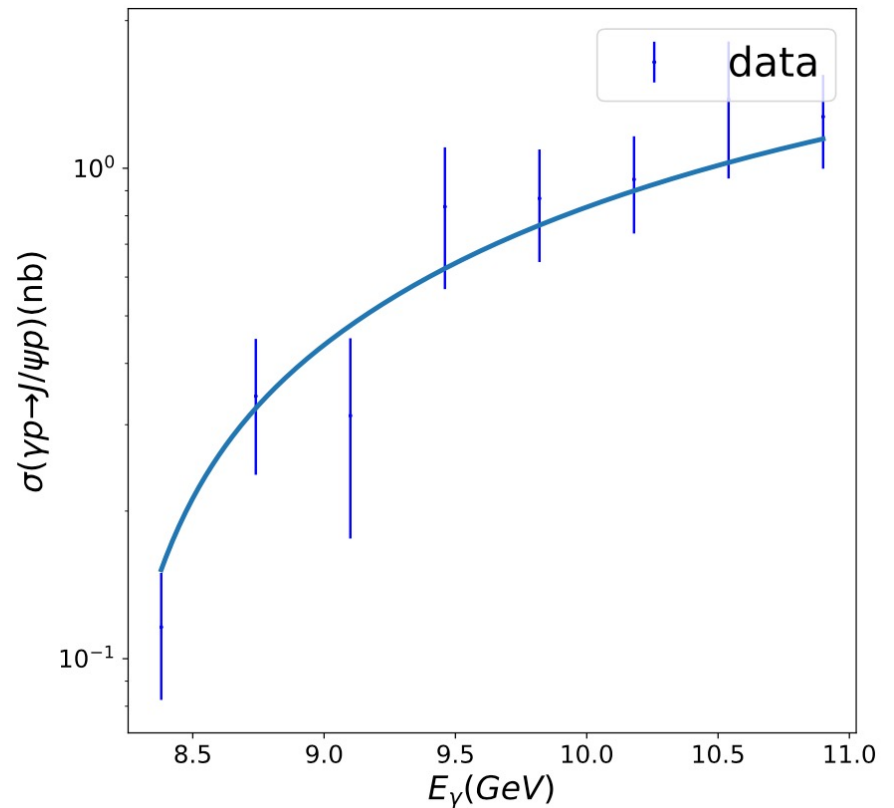
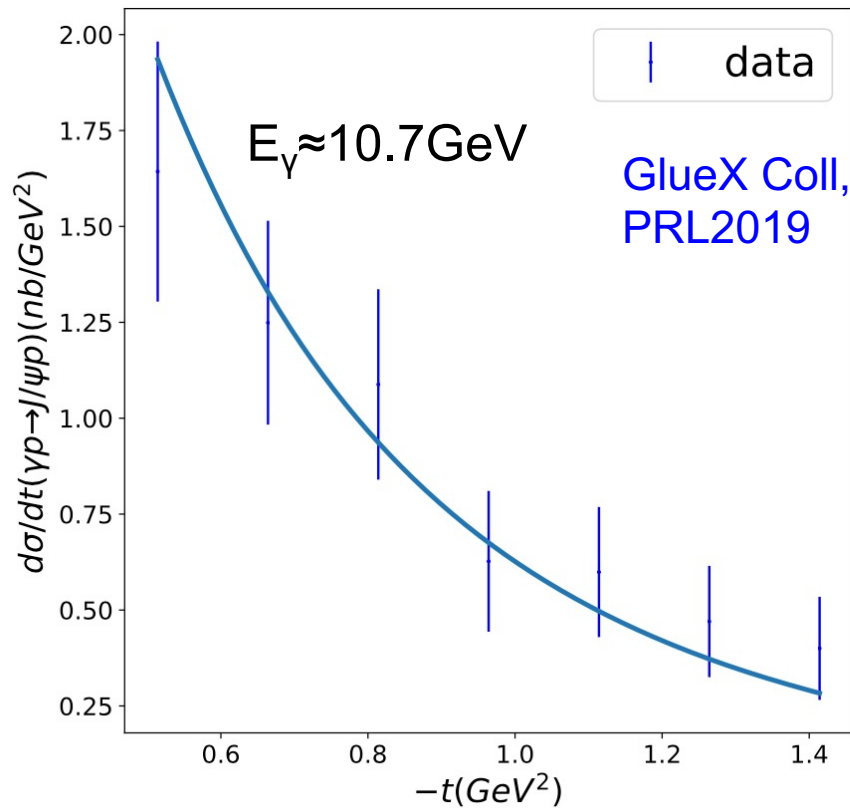


- Total cross section contributions

- Smooth to low- t by replace $-t \rightarrow \Lambda^2 - t$
- Parametric comparison, only power counting

- Clearly, twist-4 dominates near threshold

Twist-four fit to GlueX data

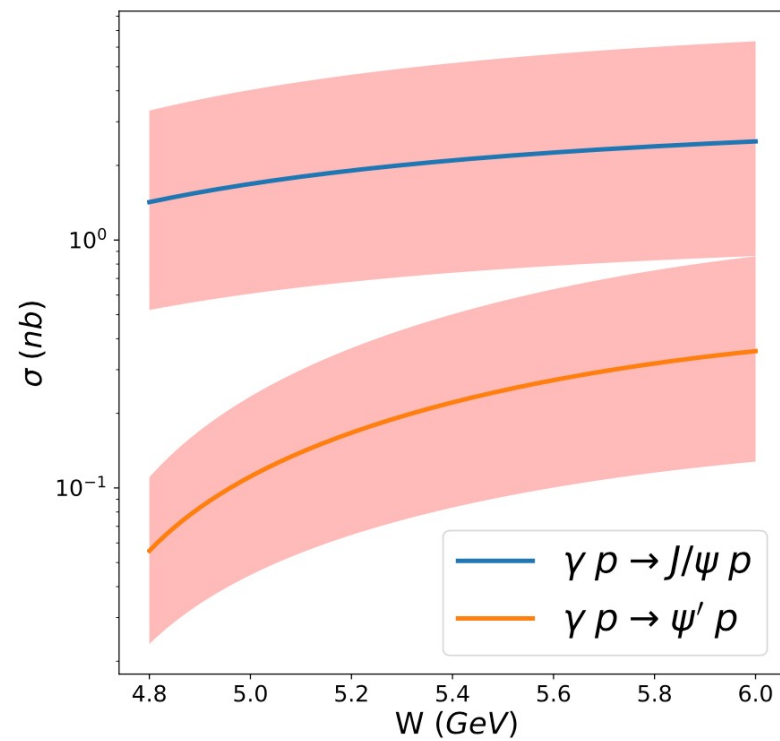
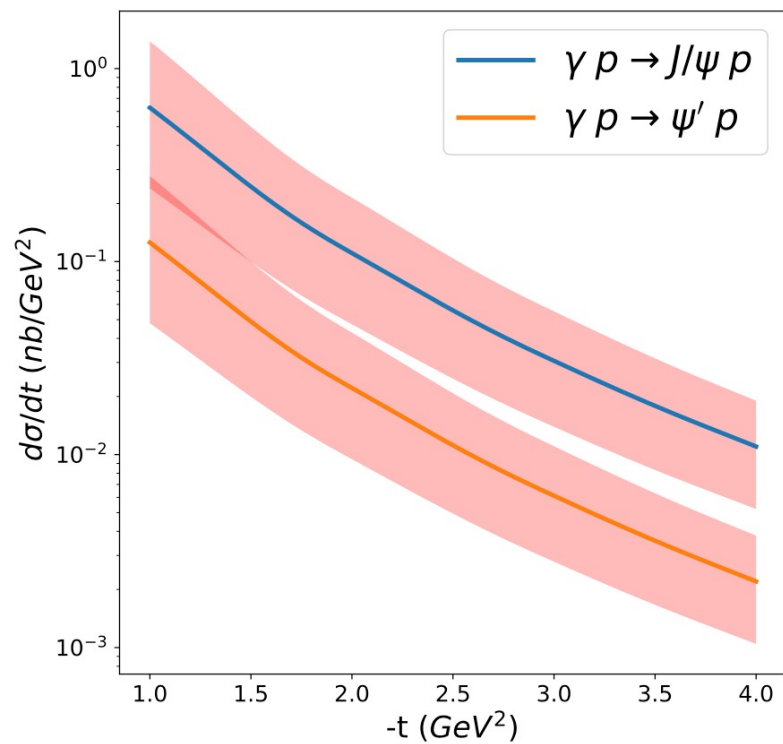




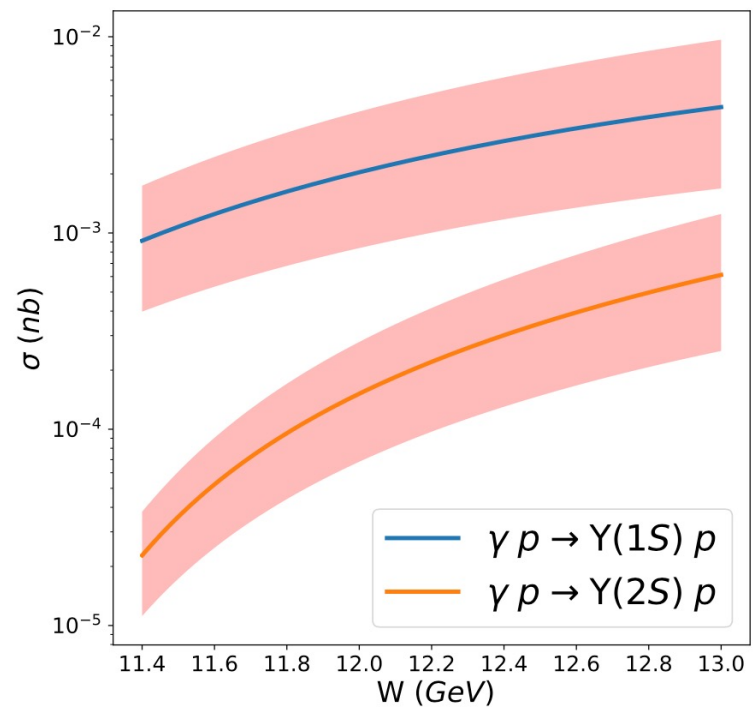
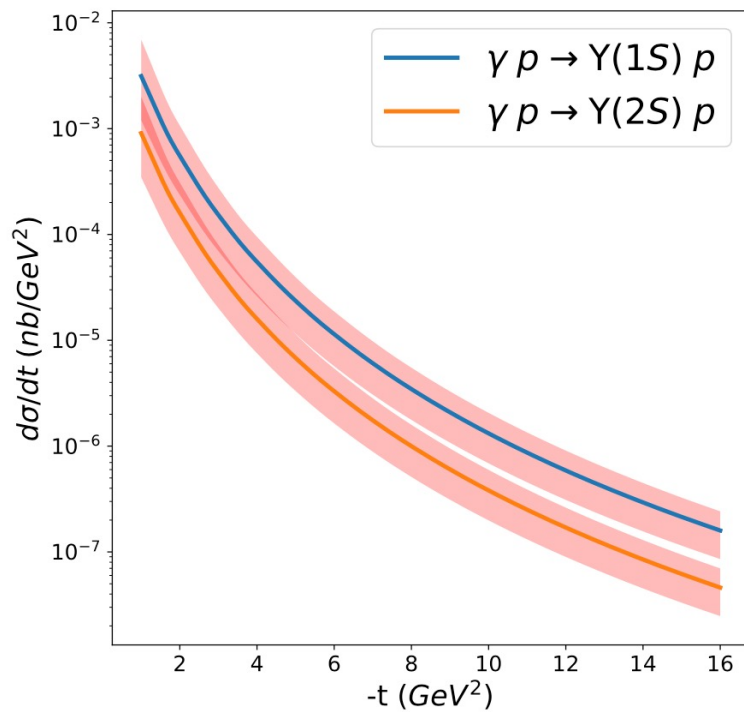
Comments

- Power behavior for near threshold heavy quarkonium production at large- t is derived, and the leading contribution comes from non-zero OAM three-quark state, scales as $1/t^5$
 - Agree with the GlueX data
 - Precision data in the future will be able to test different power

Predictions for ψ'



Predictions for Υ (1S,2S)

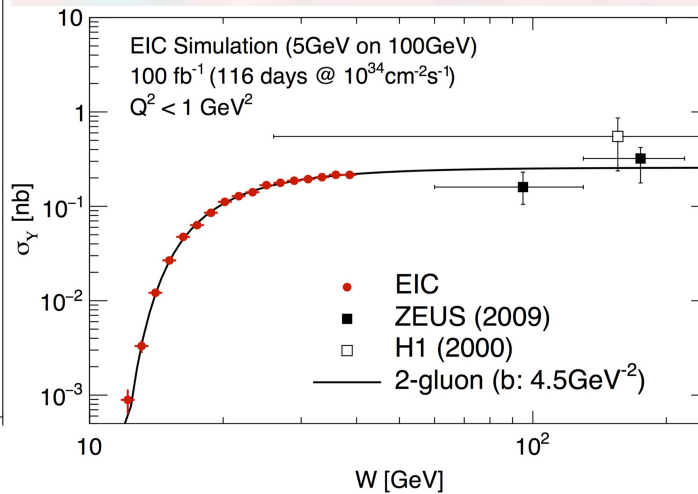
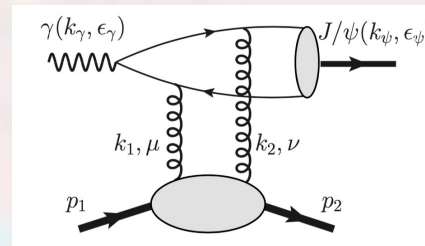
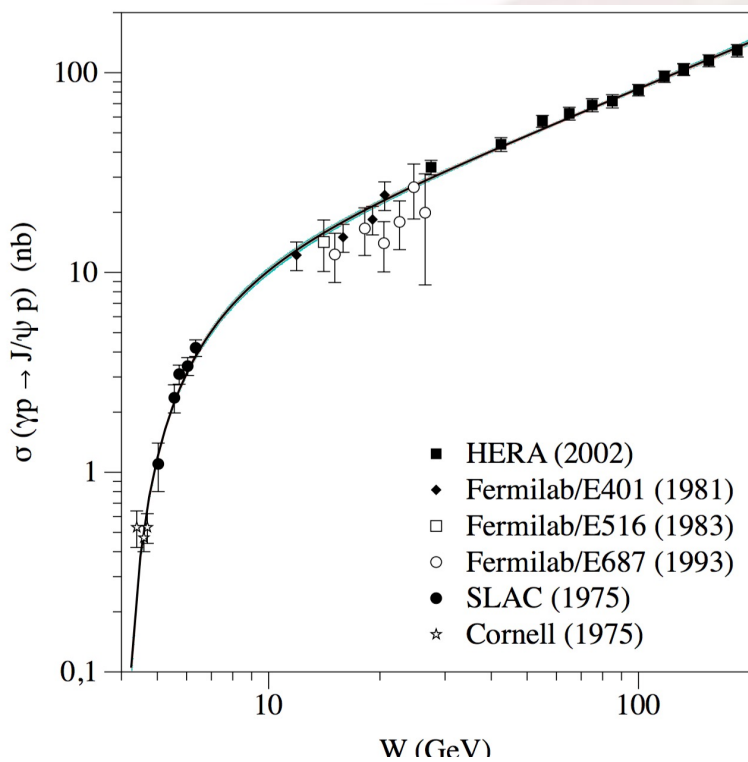




Summary

- It is hard to build a direct connection between the near threshold photoproduction of heavy quarkonium and the gluonic gravitational form factors
 - All previous results/claims should be re-evaluated
- Looking forward: phenomenological study in terms of the gluon GPDs is greatly needed
 - Indirect connection to the gluonic gravitational form factors

Gluon landscape from future EIC, e.g., through diffractive quarkonium production



- Cover energy range from threshold to high energy
- Potential to have detailed study of gluon GPDs