# Exclusive processes amplitudes beyond kinematic leading twist

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# Outline

- Generalized parton distributions.
- DVCS, TCS & DDVCS.
- Spin-1/2 target: LO + LT.
- Spin-0 target: LO + LT + kinematic twist-3 + 4.
- Phenomenology.
- Summary and conclusions.

# Partonic distribution

## GPD

Generalized Parton Distribution  $\approx$  "3D version of a PDF (Parton Distribution Function)." With x the fraction of the hadron's longitudinal momentum carried by a quark:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{GPD}_{f}(x,\xi,t) &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dz^{-}}{2\pi} e^{ix\bar{p}^{+}z^{-}} \left\langle p' |\bar{\mathfrak{q}}_{f}(-z/2)\gamma^{+}\mathcal{W}[-z/2,z/2]\mathfrak{q}_{f}(z/2)|p\right\rangle \Big|_{z_{\perp}=z^{+}=0} \\ t &= \Delta^{2} = (p'-p)^{2}, \quad \xi = -\frac{\Delta n}{2\bar{p}n}, \quad \rho = \xi \frac{qq'}{\Delta q'}, \quad \bar{p} = \frac{p+p'}{2} \end{aligned}$$

#### Importance

- Connected to QCD energy-momentum tensor. GPDs are a way to study "mechanical" properties and to address the hadron's spin puzzle.
- **Tomography:** distribution of quarks in terms of the longitudinal momentum and in the transverse plane.

$$q(x,\vec{b}_{\perp}) = \int \frac{d^2 \vec{\Delta}_{\perp}}{4\pi^2} e^{-i\vec{b}_{\perp}\cdot\vec{\Delta}_{\perp}} H^q(x,0,t=-\vec{\Delta}_{\perp}^2)$$

# Deeply virtual Compton scattering (DVCS)

 In the 1990s, Müller, Ji and Radyushkin introduced the Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs) to study the DVCS process:



Feynman diagram for DVCS

• At LO~  $O(\alpha_s^0)$  and LT~  $O(1/Q^0)$ : CFF<sub>DVCS</sub> ~ PV $\left(\int_{-1}^1 dx \frac{1}{x-\xi} \text{GPD}(x,\xi,t)\right) - \int_{-1}^1 dx i\pi\delta(x-\xi) \text{GPD}(x,\xi,t) + \cdots$ •  $\xi = \frac{-n\Delta}{2\bar{p}n}$ ,  $\bar{p} = \frac{p+p'}{2}$ ,  $\Delta = p' - p$ ,  $t = \Delta^2$ 

Inclusion of power corrections (kinematic higher twists)  $\rightarrow$  V. Braun's talk.

DVCS has been measured in DESY, CERN and JLab.

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# Timelike Compton scattering (TCS)

#### • Complementary to DVCS.

E. R. Berger, M. Diehl and B. Pire, EPJC 23, 675-689 (2002).

1st measurement of TCS by the CLAS collaboration at JLab: P. Chatagnon et al., PRL 127, 262501 (2021).



Feynman diagram for TCS

• At LO LT:

$$\mathrm{CFF}_{\mathrm{TCS}} \sim \mathrm{PV}\left(\int_{-1}^{1} dx \frac{1}{x+\xi} \mathrm{GPD}(x,\xi,t)\right) - \int_{-1}^{1} dx \ i\pi \delta(x+\xi) \mathrm{GPD}(x,\xi,t) + \cdots$$

• Like DVCS but  $\xi \to -\xi$ .

# Double deeply virtual Compton scattering (DDVCS)

• **DDVCS vs DVCS/TCS:** extra virtuality  $\Rightarrow$  generalized Björken variable  $\rho \Rightarrow$  GPDs for  $x = \rho \neq \xi$ .



Double DVCS (DDVCS)

• At LO LT:

 $CFF_{DDVCS} \sim PV\left(\int_{-1}^{1} dx \frac{1}{x-\rho} GPD(x,\xi,t)\right) - \int_{-1}^{1} dx \ i\pi\delta(x-\rho) GPD(x,\xi,t) + \cdots$  $\xi = -\frac{\Delta n}{2\bar{\rho}n}, \quad \rho = \xi \frac{qq'}{\Delta q'}, \qquad \rho = \xi \text{ (DVCS)}, \quad \rho = -\xi \text{ (TCS, LT approach)}$ 

LO + LT: Belitsky & Müller, PRL 90, 022001 (2003); Guidal & Vanderhaeghen, PRL 90, 012001 (2003); Belitsky & Müller, PRD 68, 116005 (2003); K. Deja, VMF, B. Pire, P. Sznajder & J. Wagner, PRD 107, 094035 (2023).

Experimental projections for DDVCS at EIC and JLab  $\rightarrow$  today's talk by J. S. Alvarado.

# Spin-1/2 target, DDVCS subprocess: LO + LT

• DDVCS subprocess amplitude:

$$i\mathcal{M}_{\rm DDVCS} = \frac{ie^{4}\bar{\upsilon}(\ell_{-},s_{\ell})\gamma_{\mu}v(\ell_{+},s_{\ell})\bar{\upsilon}(k',s)\gamma_{\nu}u(k,s)}{(q^{2}+i0)(q'^{2}+i0)}T_{s_{2}s_{1}}^{\mu\nu}$$

• Compton tensor decomposition at LT:

$$T^{\mu\nu}_{s_2s_1} = -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{g}^{\mu\nu}_{\perp} \bar{u}(p',s_2) \Big[ (\mathcal{H} + \mathcal{E}) \not n - \frac{\mathcal{E}}{M} \bar{p}^+ \Big] u(p,s_1) - \frac{i}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu}_{\perp} \bar{u}(p',s_2) \Big[ \widetilde{\mathcal{H}} \not n + \frac{\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}}{2M} \Delta^+ \Big] \gamma^5 u(p,s_1)$$

- Longitudinal plane is built with  $\{\bar{q}, \bar{p}\}$ .
- $q_{\perp}^{\nu} \sim \Delta_{\perp}^{\nu} \Rightarrow g_{\perp}^{\mu\nu} q_{\nu} \neq 0 \Rightarrow \mathsf{EM}$  gauge-violation. Solution:

$$q_{\perp}^{\nu}|_{t=t_0} \sim \Delta_{\perp}^{\nu}|_{t=t_0} = 0$$

• This procedure is consistent with the longitudinal factorization which is at the core of the GPD description.

# DDVCS subprocess à la Kleiss-Stirling

• DDVCS subprocess amplitude:

$$i\mathcal{M}_{\rm DDVCS} = \frac{-ie^4}{(Q^2 - i0)(Q'^2 + i0)} \left( i\mathcal{M}_{\rm DDVCS}^{(V)} + i\mathcal{M}_{\rm DDVCS}^{(A)} \right)$$

#### Vector contribution:

$$\begin{split} i\mathcal{M}_{\rm DDVCS}^{(V)} = & -\frac{1}{2} \Big[ f(s_{\ell}, \ell_{-}, \ell_{+}; s, k', k) - g(s_{\ell}, \ell_{-}, n^{\star}, \ell_{+}) g(s, k', n, k) - g(s_{\ell}, \ell_{-}, n, \ell_{+}) g(s, k', n^{\star}, k) \Big] \\ & \times \Big[ (\mathcal{H} + \mathcal{E}) [Y_{s_{2}s_{1}} g(+, r_{s_{2}}', n, r_{s_{1}}) + Z_{s_{2}s_{1}} g(-, r_{-s_{2}}', n, r_{-s_{1}})] - \frac{\mathcal{E}}{M} \mathcal{J}_{s_{2}s_{1}}^{(2)} \Big] \end{split}$$

• Axial contribution:

$$i\mathcal{M}_{\rm DDVCS}^{(\mathcal{A})} = \frac{-i}{2} \epsilon_{\perp}^{\mu\nu} j_{\mu}(s_{\ell}, \ell_{-}, \ell_{+}) j_{\nu}(s, k', k) \left[ \widetilde{\mathcal{H}} \mathcal{J}_{s_{2}s_{1}}^{(1,5)+} + \widetilde{\mathcal{E}} \frac{\Delta^{+}}{2M} \mathcal{J}_{s_{2}s_{1}}^{(2,5)+} \right]$$

# Single beam-spin asymmetry

• Single beam-spin asymmetry for longitudinally polarized electrons:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{LU}(\phi_{\ell,\text{BDP}}) &= \frac{\Delta \sigma_{LU}(\phi_{\ell,\text{BDP}})}{\sigma_{UU}(\phi_{\ell,\text{BDP}})} \\ \Delta \sigma_{LU}(\phi_{\ell,\text{BDP}}) &= \int_{0}^{2\pi} d\phi \int_{\pi/4}^{3\pi/4} d\theta_{\ell,\text{BDP}} \sin \theta_{\ell,\text{BDP}} \\ \times \left( \frac{d^{7}\sigma^{\rightarrow}}{dx_{B}dQ^{2}dQ'^{2}d|t|d\phi d\Omega_{\ell,\text{BDP}}} - \frac{d^{7}\sigma^{\leftarrow}}{dx_{B}dQ^{2}dQ'^{2}d|t|d\phi d\Omega_{\ell,\text{BDP}}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

• We consider  $Q'^2 > Q^2$ : timelike dominated DDVCS.

# Phenomenology: single beam-spin asymmetry



Ongoing studies for future experiments  $\rightarrow$  Stepanyan's talk.

# Beyond LT: why higher twists?

 Nucleon tomography is a Fourier transform in Δ<sub>⊥</sub> that requires data on a sizable range of t:

$$q(x, \vec{b}_{\perp}) = \int \frac{d^2 \vec{\Delta}_{\perp}}{4\pi^2} e^{-i \vec{b}_{\perp} \cdot \vec{\Delta}_{\perp}} H^q(x, 0, t = -\vec{\Delta}_{\perp}^2)$$

Increase the range of useful experimental data:



Data come from the Hall A ( $\P$ ,  $\heartsuit$ ), CLAS ( $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\triangle$ ), HERMES ( $\bullet$ ,  $\circ$ ), COMPASS ( $\blacksquare$ ,  $\Box$ ) and HERA H1 and ZEUS ( $\blacklozenge$ ,  $\diamond$ ) experiments. The gray bands (open markers) indicate phase-space areas (experimental points) being excluded in the analysis of H. Moutarde, P. Sznajder, J. Wagner, EPJC 79, 614 (2019).

# Scale of DDVCS and experiments

• Scale of DDVCS, not imposed but inferred from the twist expansion:

$$\mathbb{Q}^2 = Q^2 + Q'^2 + t$$

 $\mathbb{Q}^2 \xrightarrow{\text{DVCS}} Q^2 + t$ , see V. Braun's talk.

• Conclusion: you may choose

 $\begin{cases} \sigma_{\text{DDVCS}} \text{ grows rapidly with small } Q^2 \Rightarrow Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2 \\ \text{region in-between resonances} \Rightarrow Q'^2 \in (2.25,9) \text{ GeV}^2 \end{cases}$ 

Low Q<sup>2</sup> + high Q'<sup>2</sup>... as for TCS<sup>\*</sup> → potential with CLAS12 (Hall B, JLab) & SoLID<sup>†</sup> (Hall A, JLab) ⇔ muon detector or reconstruction trajectories.

\* Chatagnon et al., PRL 127, 262501.

<sup>†</sup>Arrington et al., J. Phys. G 50 (2023) 11, 110501. Also, G. Huber's, M. Boër's talks.

# Starting point: OPE + CFT (Braun-Ji-Manashov)

$$T^{\mu\nu} = i \int d^{4}z \ e^{iq'z} \langle p' | \mathcal{T}\{j^{\nu}(z)j^{\mu}(0)\} | p \rangle =$$

$$\frac{1}{i\pi^{2}} i \int d^{4}z \ e^{iq'z} \left\{ \frac{1}{(-z^{2}+i0)^{2}} \left[ g^{\nu\mu} \mathcal{O}(1,0) - z^{\nu} \partial^{\mu} \int_{0}^{1} du \ \mathcal{O}(\bar{u},0) - z^{\mu} (\partial^{\nu} - i\Delta^{\nu}) \int_{0}^{1} dv \ \mathcal{O}(1,\nu) \right] - \frac{1}{-z^{2}+i0} \left[ \frac{i}{2} (\Delta^{\mu} \partial^{\nu} - (\nu \leftrightarrow \mu)) \int_{0}^{1} du \int_{0}^{\bar{u}} d\nu \ \mathcal{O}(\bar{u},\nu) - \frac{t}{4} z^{\nu} \partial^{\mu} \int_{0}^{1} du \ u \int_{0}^{\bar{u}} d\nu \ \mathcal{O}(\bar{u},\nu) \right] + \cdots$$

Operators  $\mathscr{O}$  above are understood as matrix elements, that is:  $\langle p'|\mathscr{O}(\lambda_1,\lambda_2)|p\rangle = \frac{2i}{\lambda_{12}} \iint_{\mathbb{D}} d\beta d\alpha \left[ e^{-i\ell_{\lambda_1,\lambda_2}z} \right]_{\mathrm{LT}} \Phi^{(+)}(\beta,\alpha,t),$ 

where

$$\ell_{\lambda_1,\lambda_2} = -\lambda_1 \Delta - \lambda_{12} \left[ \beta \bar{p} - \frac{1}{2} (\alpha + 1) \Delta \right]$$

and  $\Phi^{(+)}$  is given by the usual DDs  $h_f, g_f$  as

$$\Phi^{(+)}(\beta,\alpha,t) = \sum_{f} \left(\frac{e_{f}}{e}\right)^{2} \Phi_{f}^{(+)}(\beta,\alpha,t), \quad \Phi_{f}^{(+)}(\beta,\alpha,t) = \partial_{\beta} h_{f} + \partial_{\alpha} g_{f}$$

More details on: Braun, Ji & Manashov, JHEP 03 (2021) 051; JHEP 01 (2023) 078; and V. Braun's talk.

## Scalar and pseudo-scalar target

- Spin-0 target  $\Rightarrow$  vector component of  $T^{\mu\nu}$  is enough.
- Parameterization of  $T^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow$  helicity amplitudes,  $\mathcal{A}^{AB}$ .
- Spin-0  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{AB} \equiv \mathcal{H}^{AB}/2$  (5 CFFs in total).

$$\begin{split} T^{\mu\nu} &= \mathcal{A}^{00} \frac{-i}{QQ'R^2} \left[ (qq') (Q'^2 q^{\mu} q^{\nu} - Q^2 q'^{\mu} q'^{\nu}) + Q^2 Q'^2 q^{\mu} q'^{\nu} - (qq')^2 q'^{\mu} q^{\nu} \right] \\ &+ \mathcal{A}^{+0} \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{R|\bar{p}_{\perp}|} \left[ Q' q^{\mu} - \frac{qq'}{Q'} q'^{\mu} \right] \bar{p}_{\perp}^{\nu} - \mathcal{A}^{0+} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{R|\bar{p}_{\perp}|} \bar{p}_{\perp}^{\mu} \left[ \frac{qq'}{Q} q^{\nu} + Qq'^{\nu} \right] \\ &+ \mathcal{A}^{+-} \frac{1}{|\bar{p}_{\perp}|^2} \left[ \bar{p}_{\perp}^{\mu} \bar{p}_{\perp}^{\nu} - \tilde{\bar{p}}_{\perp}^{\mu} \tilde{\bar{p}}_{\perp}^{\nu} \right] - \mathcal{A}^{++} g_{\perp}^{\mu\nu} \,, \end{split}$$

• Read out projectors  $\rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{AB} = \prod_{\mu\nu}^{(AB)} T^{\mu\nu}$ .

# $\mathcal{A}^{++} = \mathrm{LT} + O(\mathrm{tw-4})$

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}^{++} &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} dx \, \left\{ - \left( 1 - \frac{t}{2\mathbb{Q}^{2}} + \frac{t(\xi - \rho)}{\mathbb{Q}^{2}} \partial_{\xi} \right) \frac{H^{(+)}}{x - \rho + i0} \\ &+ \frac{t}{\xi \mathbb{Q}^{2}} \left[ \mathbb{P}_{(i)} + \mathbb{P}_{(ii)} - \frac{\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(i)} - \widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(iii)}}{2} - \frac{\xi(J + L)}{2} \\ &- \frac{\xi}{x + \xi} \left( \ln \left( \frac{x - \rho + i0}{\xi - \rho + i0} \right) - \frac{\xi + \rho}{2\xi} \ln \left( \frac{-\xi - \rho + i0}{\xi - \rho + i0} \right) - \widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(i)} \right) \right] H^{(+)} \\ &- \frac{t}{\mathbb{Q}^{2}} \partial_{\xi} \left[ \left( \mathbb{P}_{(i)} + \mathbb{P}_{(ii)} - \frac{\xi L}{2} - \frac{\xi}{x + \xi} \left( \ln \left( \frac{x - \rho + i0}{\xi - \rho + i0} \right) - \widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(i)} \right) \right) \\ &- \frac{\xi + \rho}{2\xi} \ln \left( \frac{-\xi - \rho + i0}{\xi - \rho + i0} \right) - \widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(i)} \right) \right) H^{(+)} \right] \\ &+ \frac{\tilde{p}_{\perp}^{2}}{\mathbb{Q}^{2}} 2\xi^{3} \partial_{\xi}^{2} \left[ \left( \mathbb{P}_{(i)} + \mathbb{P}_{(ii)} - \frac{\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(i)} - \widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(iii)}}{2} - \frac{\xi L}{2} + \ln \left( \frac{x - \rho + i0}{x - \xi + i0} \right) \right) H^{(+)} \right] \right\} \\ &+ O(\text{tw-6}) \,. \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}_{(i)}(x/\xi,\rho/\xi) &= \frac{\xi-\rho}{x-\xi} \mathrm{Li}_2\left(-\frac{x-\xi}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right),\\ \widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(i)}(x/\xi,\rho/\xi) &= -\frac{\xi-\rho}{x-\xi} \ln\left(\frac{x-\rho+i0}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right),\\ \mathbb{P}_{(ii)}(x/\xi,\rho/\xi) &= \frac{\xi-\rho}{x+\xi} \left[\mathrm{Li}_2\left(-\frac{x-\xi}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) - (x\to-\xi)\right],\\ \widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(iii)}(x/\xi,\rho/\xi) &= -\frac{\xi+\rho}{x+\xi} \ln\left(\frac{x-\rho+i0}{-\xi-\rho+i0}\right), \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} L &= \int_0^1 dw \; \frac{-4}{x - \xi - w(x + \xi)} \int_0^1 du \; \ln \left( \xi - \rho + i0 + \bar{u} [x - \xi - w(x + \xi)] \right) C_{\bar{u}, \bar{u}w} \,, \\ C_{\bar{u}, v} &= \; \ln \left( \frac{\bar{u} - v}{1 - v} \right) + \frac{1}{1 - v} \,. \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} J &= \frac{2(x+\rho)}{(x-\xi)(x+\xi)} \left[ -\operatorname{Li}_2\left(-\frac{x+\rho}{-\xi-\rho+i0}\right) - \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{2\xi}{x+\xi}\right) + \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{x+\rho}{-\xi-\rho+i0}\frac{-2\xi}{x+\xi}\right) \\ &+ \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{x-\rho}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) + \operatorname{Li}_2\left(-\frac{x-\xi}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) + \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{x-\rho}{x+\xi}\right) \\ &- \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{x+\xi}\right) - \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{x+\rho}{x+\xi}\right) + \operatorname{Li}_2\left(-\frac{-\xi-\rho+i0}{x+\xi}\right) \\ &+ \operatorname{Li}_2\left(-\frac{x-\xi}{-x-\rho+i0}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\ln^2\left(\frac{-\xi-\rho+i0}{-\xi-\rho+i0}\right) \right] \\ &+ \frac{\xi-\rho}{\xi(x+\xi)} \left[ -\operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{2\xi}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) - \operatorname{Li}_2\left(-\frac{2\xi}{-\xi-\rho+i0}\right) + \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{x-\xi}{x+\xi}\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) \\ &- \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{x-\xi}{x+\xi}\frac{-\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) - \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{-\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) + \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{x-\xi}{x+\xi}\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) \\ &- \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{-\xi-\rho+i0}\right) - \ln\left(\frac{2\xi}{x+\xi}\right) \ln\left(\frac{-\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) \\ &- \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{2\xi}{x+\xi}\frac{x-\rho+i0}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) + \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{2\xi}{x+\xi}\right) \\ &- \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi+2}\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi+2}\right) \\ \\ &- \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi+2}\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi+2}\right) \\ &- \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi+2}\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi+2}\right) \\ \\ \\ &- \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi+2}\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi+2}\right) \\ \\ \\ &- \operatorname{Li}_2\left(\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi+2}\frac{\xi-\rho+i0}{\xi+2}\right) \\ \\ \\ &$$

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# TCS limit

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{TCS}}^{++} &= \lim_{Q^2 \to 0} \mathcal{A}^{++} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} dx \left\{ -\left(1 - \frac{5}{2} \frac{t}{\mathbb{Q}^2}\right) \frac{H^{(+)}}{x + \xi(1 - 2t/Q'^2) + i0} \\ &+ \frac{2t}{\mathbb{Q}^2} \left[ \frac{1}{x - \xi} \mathrm{Li}_2 \left( -\frac{x - \xi}{2\xi} \right) + \frac{1}{x + \xi} \left( \mathrm{Li}_2 \left( -\frac{x - \xi}{2\xi} \right) - \mathrm{Li}_2(1) \right) \right. \\ &- \frac{\xi}{4} (L_{\mathrm{TCS}} + J_{\mathrm{TCS}}) \right] H^{(+)} \\ &- \frac{t}{\mathbb{Q}^2} \partial_{\xi} \left[ \left( \frac{2\xi}{x + \xi + i0} + \frac{2\xi}{x - \xi} \mathrm{Li}_2 \left( -\frac{x - \xi}{2\xi} \right) + \frac{2\xi}{x + \xi} \left( \mathrm{Li}_2 \left( -\frac{x - \xi}{2\xi} \right) - \mathrm{Li}_2(1) \right) \right. \\ &- \frac{\xi L_{\mathrm{TCS}}}{2} - \frac{\xi}{x - \xi} \ln \left( \frac{x + \xi + i0}{2\xi} \right) \right) H^{(+)} \right] \\ &+ \frac{\tilde{p}_{\perp}^2}{\mathbb{Q}^2} 2\xi^3 \partial_{\xi}^2 \left[ \left( \frac{2\xi}{x - \xi} \mathrm{Li}_2 \left( -\frac{x - \xi}{2\xi} \right) + \frac{2\xi}{x + \xi} \left( \mathrm{Li}_2 \left( -\frac{x - \xi}{2\xi} \right) - \mathrm{Li}_2(1) \right) \right. \\ &- \frac{\xi L_{\mathrm{TCS}}}{2} + \frac{\xi}{x - \xi} \ln \left( \frac{x + \xi + i0}{2\xi} \right) + \ln \left( \frac{x + \xi + i0}{x - \xi + i0} \right) \right) H^{(+)} \right] \right\} \\ &+ \mathcal{O}(\mathrm{tw-6}) \,. \end{split}$$

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 $\mathcal{A}^{+-}$  is of special interest as it enters the amplitude at:

- LO, kinematic twist-4,
- NLO, kinematic twist-2 through transversity GPDs.<sup>\$</sup>
   For the spin-0 target: 1 (chiral-odd) transversity quark GPD + 1 gluon transversity GPD.

<sup>\$</sup>Belitsky, Müller, PLB 486, 369-377, (2000).



## For DDVCS:

$$\mathcal{A}^{+-} = \frac{\overline{\rho}_{\perp}^2}{\mathbb{Q}^2} 2(\xi^2 \partial_{\xi})^2 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{2\xi} \left( \widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(\mathrm{iii})} - \widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_{(\mathrm{i})} + 2\ln\left(\frac{x-\rho+i0}{-2\xi}\right) \right) H^{(+)} + O(\mathrm{tw-6}) \,.$$

## and its TCS limit:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\rm TCS}^{+-} = \frac{\bar{p}_{\perp}^2}{\mathbb{Q}^2} 2(\xi^2 \partial_{\xi})^2 \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{dx}{2\xi} \, \frac{2x}{x-\xi} \ln\left(\frac{x+\xi+i0}{2\xi}\right) H^{(+)} + O(\text{tw-6}) \, .$$

# $\mathcal{A}^{+0,\,0+}$

### For DDVCS:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}^{+0} &= \frac{-iQ'|\bar{p}_{\perp}|}{\sqrt{2}\mathbb{Q}^2} \int_{-1}^1 dx \ 2\xi^2 \partial_{\xi} \left( \frac{1}{x-\xi} \ln\left(\frac{x-\rho+i0}{\xi-\rho+i0}\right) H^{(+)} \right) + O(\text{tw-5}) \,, \\ \mathcal{A}^{0+} &= \frac{-Q|\bar{p}_{\perp}|}{\sqrt{2}\mathbb{Q}^2} \int_{-1}^1 dx \ 2\xi^2 \partial_{\xi} \left( \frac{H^{(+)}}{2\xi} \left[ \frac{\xi+\rho}{x+\xi} \ln\left(\frac{x-\rho+i0}{-\xi-\rho+i0}\right) \right] \right) \\ &+ \frac{\xi-\rho}{x+\xi} \ln\left( \frac{x(1-2t/\mathbb{Q}^2)-\rho+i0}{-\xi(1-2t/\mathbb{Q}^2)-\rho+i0} \right) \right] \right) + O(\text{tw-5}) \,, \end{split}$$

and their TCS limits:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{TCS}}^{+0} &= \frac{-iQ'|\bar{p}_{\perp}|}{\sqrt{2}\mathbb{Q}^2} \int_{-1}^1 dx \; 2\xi^2 \partial_{\xi} \left(\frac{1}{x-\xi} \ln\left(\frac{x+\xi+i0}{2\xi}\right)\right) + O(\text{tw-5}) \,, \\ \mathcal{A}_{\mathrm{TCS}}^{0+} &= 0 \; \rightarrow \text{incoming photon is real in TCS.} \end{split}$$

# $\mathcal{A}^{00}$ : exclusive of DDVCS

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}^{00} &= \mathcal{A}^{00}_{(0),\,z\partial} + \mathcal{A}^{00}_{(0),\,z(\partial - i\Delta)} + \mathcal{A}^{00}_{(0),\,\Delta\partial} + \mathcal{A}^{00}_{(0),\,tz\partial} \\ &+ \mathcal{A}^{00}_{(1),\,z\Delta} + \mathcal{A}^{00}_{(2),\,z\Delta} + \mathcal{A}^{00}_{(1),\,z\partial} + \mathcal{A}^{00}_{(2),\,z\partial} \,. \end{split}$$

For example:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}^{00}_{(0),\ z\partial} &= \frac{iQQ'}{\mathbb{Q}^2} \int_{-1}^{1} dx \int_{0}^{1} du \ \frac{\xi - \rho}{2\xi} \\ &\times \left\{ \frac{t}{\mathbb{Q}^2} \left[ 3N(\bar{u}, 0) - 4(\xi - \rho)(N(\bar{u}, 0))^2 + 2(\xi - \rho)^2(N(\bar{u}, 0))^3 - 4\widetilde{N}(\bar{u}, 0) \right] H^{(+)} \right. \\ &- \frac{t}{\mathbb{Q}^2} \partial_{\xi} \left( \xi \left[ 2N(\bar{u}, 0) - 4\widetilde{N}(\bar{u}, 0) \right] H^{(+)} \right) \\ &+ \frac{\bar{p}_{\perp}^2}{\mathbb{Q}^2} 2\xi^3 \partial_{\xi}^2 \left( \xi \left[ 2N(\bar{u}, 0) - 4\widetilde{N}(\bar{u}, 0) \right] H^{(+)} \right) \right\} + O(\text{tw-6}) \,, \end{split}$$

where

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{N}(\lambda_1,\lambda_2) &= \frac{1}{\lambda_1(x-\xi) - \lambda_2(x+\xi) + \xi - \rho + i0},\\ \widetilde{\mathsf{N}}(\lambda_1,\lambda_2) &= \frac{1}{\lambda_1(x-\xi) - \lambda_2(x+\xi)} \ln\left(1 + \frac{\lambda_1(x-\xi) - \lambda_2(x+\xi)}{\xi - \rho + i0}\right). \end{split}$$

Results for the spin-0 target in DVCS were already published by Braun, Manashov & Pirnay in PRD 86, 014003 (2012); and with an alternative method by Braun, Ji & Manashov in JHEP 01 (2023) 078.

Those results can be read out as the DVCS limit of our DDVCS formulas.

For spin-1/2 in DVCS: Braun, Manashov, Müller, Pirnay, PRD 89 (2014) 7, 074022.

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 $\pi$ -GPD model:  $H(x, \xi) = A x(1 - x^2)(1 + B\xi^2)$ , A & B fixed values for a given t.



# Summary and conclusions

- Our DDVCS formulation renders back DVCS & TCS in the appropriate small-virtuality limit.
- LO + LT DDVCS off the nucleon  $\rightarrow$  fairly large asymmetries.
- LO + kinematic twist corrections in DDVCS off the (pseudo-)scalar target:

1) 
$$\mathcal{A}^{++} \sim \mathsf{LT} + \mathsf{tw}-4 + \cdots$$

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$$\mathcal{A}^{+-,00} \sim \mathsf{tw-4} + \cdots$$

- $\ \, \mathbf{\mathcal{A}^{0+,\,+0}} \sim \mathsf{tw-3} + \cdots$
- All amplitudes have been computed. Numerics for A<sup>00</sup> with a more realistic pion-GPD model are in progress.

# Grazie!

# *Complementary slides*

# Kinematic vs geometric twist

- Kinematic twist  $\rightarrow$  power expansion of observables  $\sim \frac{|t|}{\mathbb{Q}^2}, \frac{M^2}{\mathbb{Q}^2} \Rightarrow$  frame dependent.
- Geometric twist  $\rightarrow$  expansion of operators  $\mathscr{O}(z)$  in components belonging to irreps of the Lorentz group  $\Rightarrow$  Lorentz invariant.

•  $\mathcal{O}(z)$  such that  $z^2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  relaxation of the Björken limit in  $\int d^4 z \ e^{-irz} \langle p' | \mathcal{O}(z) | p \rangle$ (in observables).

# Energy scale of two-photon processes

• Compton tensor:

$$(\ell = \ell(\Delta, \bar{p}), \Delta^2 = t, \bar{p} = (p + p')/2, p^2 = p'^2 = M^2)$$

$$\begin{split} T_{\underline{s}_{2}\underline{s}_{1}}^{\mu\nu} &= i \int d^{4}z \; e^{iq'z} \langle p', \underline{s}_{2} | \mathcal{T} \left\{ j^{\nu}(z) j^{\mu}(0) \right\} | p, \underline{s}_{1} \rangle \\ &\sim i \int d^{4}z \; e^{iq'z} \; \frac{f^{\mu\nu}(z, \partial)}{(-z^{2} + i0)^{J}} \underbrace{\left[ e^{-i\ell z} \right]_{LT}}_{\text{geom. LT}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{geom. LT to connect to the usual GPDs} \\ &\sim i \int d^{4}z \; \int_{0}^{1} dw \; e^{i(q'-w\ell)z} \frac{\widetilde{f}^{\mu\nu}(z, w)}{(-z^{2} + i0)^{K}} \\ &\sim \sum_{n,m} f_{n,m}^{\mu\nu}(\Delta, \bar{p}, q') \times I_{n,m} \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad I_{n,m} = \int_{0}^{1} dw \; \frac{w^{n}}{(\ell^{2}w^{2} - 2q'\ell w + Q'^{2} + i0)^{m}} \\ &\sim \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(1)}_{\text{kn. LT}} + \left( \text{powers of } \frac{|t|}{-2q'\Delta} \;, \frac{M^{2}}{-2q'\Delta} \right) \;. \end{split}$$

# • Scale is in general: $-2q'\Delta = Q^2 + Q'^2 + t \equiv \mathbb{Q}^2$ .

More details on conformal operator-product expansion: Braun, Ji & Manashov, JHEP 03 (2021) 051; and JHEP 01 (2023) 078.

# Why DDVCS? / State of art

Why DDVCS?

- **()** Access to  $x \neq \pm \xi \leftarrow$  restriction in DVCS & TCS (at lowest order).
- Single framework to describe DVCS, TCS & DDVCS:

DVCS:  $Q^{\prime 2} \rightarrow 0, \ \rho \rightarrow \xi$ ; TCS:  $Q^2 \rightarrow 0, \ \rho \rightarrow -\xi$  (at LT)

State of art:

- Original papers in DDVCS (LO LT):
  - Belitsky & Müller, PRL 90, 022001 (2003).
  - Q Guidal & Vanderhaeghen, PRL 90, 012001 (2003).
  - Selitsky & Müller, PRD 68, 116005 (2003).
- Alternative derivation of amplitudes and cross-section, and JLab and EIC's phenomenology (LO LT) are discussed in: K. Deja, VMF, B. Pire, P. Sznajder & J. Wagner, PRD 107, 094035 (2023).
- NLO is known for DVCS, TCS & DDVCS.
- New: kinematic twist corrections for TCS & DDVCS.

# Kinematic twist

- LT:  $Q^2, \ Q'^2 \to \infty$ , Björken limit.
- Kinematic power corrections = kinematic higher-twist corrections:

$$\sim \left(rac{|t|}{Q^2}
ight)^P, \quad \sim \left(rac{M^2}{Q^2}
ight)^P,$$
 $P = rac{ au_{
m kin} - 2}{2}.$ 

- Similarly for  $Q^{\prime 2}$ .
- LT = kinematic leading twist = kinematic twist-2,  $\tau_{kin} = 2$ .

# Higher twists corrections on spin-0 target, why spin 0?

- It is the simplest case (spin-1/2 and spin-1 targets to be studied later) + least number of CFFs ⇒ least number of measurements.
- Study of DVCS on scalar and pseudo-scalar nuclei, e.g. <sup>4</sup>He: S. Fucini, S. Scopetta, & M. Viviani, PRC 98, 015203 (2018).
- Study of meson GPDs (π) through the Sullivan process:  $γ^* p → γπ^+ n$ 
  - J. D. Sullivan, PRD 5, 1732 (1972).

Pion GPDs from J. M. Morgado-Chavez et al., PRD 105, 094012 (2022).

D. Amrath, M. Diehl, J.-P. Lansberg, EPJC 58, 179-192 (2008).

J. M. Morgado Chávez, PRL 128, 202501 (2022).

• Kinematical higher twist contributions recently studied in related process  $\gamma^* \gamma \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ : access to pion GDAs:

C. Lorcé, B. Pire, Q.-T. Song, PRD 106, 094030 (2022); B. Pire, Q.-T. Song, PRD 107, 114014 (2023) .

# Conformal twist expansion

- Breakthrough: OPE based on conformal field theory calculation by Braun, Ji & Manashov, JHEP 2021, 51 (2021). OPE to all (kinematic) twists!!
- Use of conformal symmetry to constrain the coefficients of the expansion around the light-cone.
- Kinematic power expansion. No higher-twist GPDs.
- Natchman-like corrections are more involved as

$$\langle p'|\partial^{\mu}\mathcal{O}|p
angle = i\Delta^{\mu}\langle p'|\mathcal{O}|p
angle \,.$$

• This formalism satisfies QED gauge and translation invariance.