

# Color transparency in proton-deuteron interactions

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Outline:

- Introduction: phenomenon of color transparency (CT) and its search at intermediate energies (JLab, BNL)
- The process  $d(p,2p)n$  at large momentum transfer: generalized eikonal approximation (GEA), quantum diffusion model of CT, separation of the hard (quark counting) and soft (Landshoff) amplitudes
- Nuclear transparency, tensor analyzing power, event rate estimate at NICA-SPD
- Summary and outlook

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[\[arXiv:2208.08832\]](#)

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## Introduction

Hard processes (e.g. exclusive meson electroproduction):  $Q^2 \gg 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

- Quark-gluon d.o.f.
- Point-like  $q\bar{q}$  and  $qqq$  configurations (PLCs):  $r_\perp \sim 1/Q$

Color dipole – proton cross section in the pQCD limit ( $r_\perp \rightarrow 0$ )  $\sigma_{q\bar{q}} \propto r_\perp^2 \sim 1/Q^2$

*L. Frankfurt, G.A. Miller, M. Strikman, PLB 304, 1 (1993)*

**Color transparency (CT): the quark configuration produced in high momentum transfer exclusive process interacts with nucleons with reduced cross section.**

**CT is a necessary condition for the factorization in exclusive hard processes.**

Factorization is only possible when the multiple soft gluon exchanges before and after hard scattering are suppressed. This suppression may only take place if PLCs are formed in the hard scattering (similar to the EM interactions of a dipole).

In the case of nuclear target this leads to CT.

For review of CT see

*L. Frankfurt, G.A. Miller, M. Strikman, Annu. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 44, 501 (1994);  
 P. Jain, B. Pire, J.P. Ralston, Phys. Rept. 271, 67 (1996);  
 D. Dutta, K. Hafidi, M. Strikman, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 69, 1 (2013)*

Nuclear target needed.

Observable – nuclear transparency:

$$T = \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{IA}} , \quad \sigma_{IA} \simeq Z\sigma_p$$

  
Neglecting Fermi motion

**Exclusive meson electroproduction experiments at JLab ( $E_{beam} = 4-6$  GeV):**

$A(e, e'\pi^+)$  for  ${}^2H$ ,  ${}^{12}C$ ,  ${}^{27}Al$ ,  ${}^{63}Cu$ , and  ${}^{197}Au$  at  $Q^2 = 1.1 - 4.7$  GeV $^2$

**B. Clasie et al., PRL 99, 242502 (2007)**

Theoretical analyses: **A. Larson, G. Miller, M. Strikman, PRC 74, 018201 (2006); W. Cosyn, M.C. Martinez, J. Ryckebusch, PRC 77, 034602 (2008); M. Kaskulov, K. Gallmeister, U.Mosel, PRC 79, 015207 (2009); AL, M. Strikman, M. Bleicher, PRC 93, 034618 (2016)**

$A(e, e'\rho^0)$  for  ${}^{12}C$  and  ${}^{56}Fe$  at  $Q^2 = 1 - 2.2$  GeV $^2$

**L. El Fassi et al., PLB 712, 326 (2012)**

Theory predictions: **L. Frankfurt, G.A. Miller, M. Strikman, PRC 78, 015208 (2008); M. Kaskulov, K. Gallmeister, U.Mosel, PRC 83, 015201 (2011)**

**- Clear indications for the enhanced nuclear transparency due to CT effect**

## Quasielastic electron scattering at JLab:

$A(e, e'p)$  for  $^2\text{H}$ ,  $^{12}\text{C}$ ,  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  at  $Q^2 = 3.3 - 8.1 \text{ GeV}^2$

**K. Garrow et al., PRC 66, 044613 (2002)**  $E_{\text{beam}} = 3.1 - 5.6 \text{ GeV}$

$^{12}\text{C}(e, e'p)$  at  $Q^2 = 8 - 14.2 \text{ GeV}^2$

**D. Bhetuwal et al., PRL 126, 083301 (2021)**  $E_{\text{beam}} = 6.4, 10.6 \text{ GeV}$

- **No CT signal**

Possible explanations:

- squeezing proton may need larger  $Q^2$  than for meson (dependence on hadron's twist, i.e. the number of constituents) **S.J. Brodsky, G.F. de Teramond, MDPI Physics 4, 633 (2022) [arXiv:2202.13283]**

- Feynman mechanism without squeezing may dominate for  $x_B = 1$ :

Figure from **O. Caplow-Munro, G.A. Miller, PRC 104, L012201 (2021) [arXiv:2104.11168]**

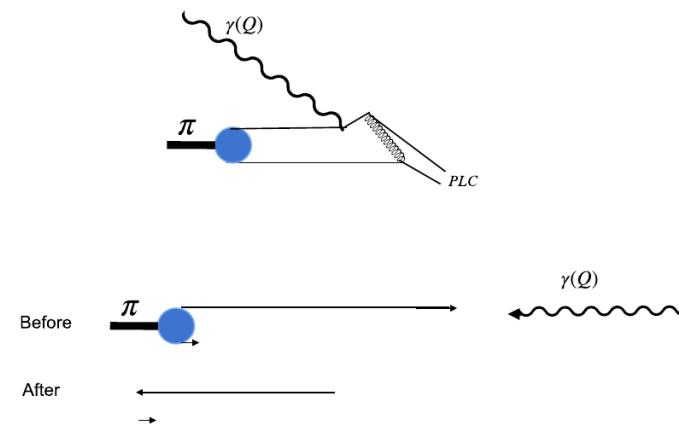
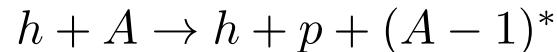


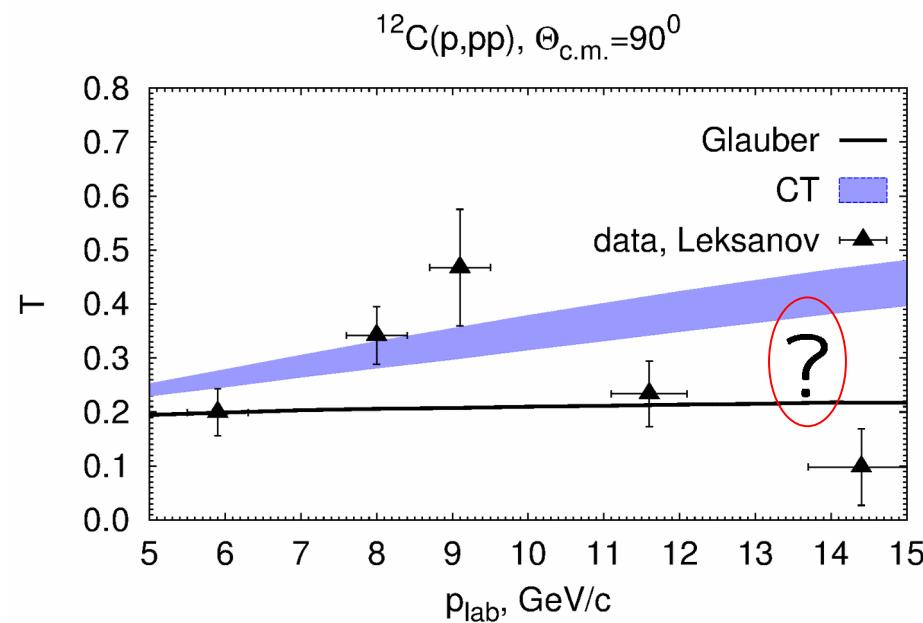
FIG. 1. High-momentum transfer reaction mechanisms. Top picture: A pQCD mechanism. Middle picture: Initial state in the Feynman mechanism. Bottom picture: Final state in the Feynman mechanism. The final state overlaps well with the turned around version of the initial state.

- Three-layer structure of the nucleon (external pion cloud, intermediate layer with broken chiral symmetry, internal pQCD core) may lead to a quasi-Feynman mechanism when CT appears only at very large  $Q^2$  due to Sudakov form-factors **L. Frankfurt, M. Strikman, MDPI Physics 4, 774 (2022) [arXiv:2210.11569]**

CT has been predicted for the binary semi-exclusive processes with large momentum transfer



**S.J. Brodsky, 1982; A.H. Mueller, 1982**



$$T = \frac{\sigma}{\sigma^{\text{IA}}}$$

Data: EVA@AGS,  
A. Leksanov et al.,  
PRL 87, 212301 (2001).

### **Decrease of $T$ at high $p_{\text{lab}}$ is not understood:**

- could be due to stronger absorption of the large-size quark configurations produced by Landshoff mechanism, J.P. Ralston, B. Pire, PRL 61, 1823 (1988);
- or due to intermediate (very broad,  $\Gamma \sim 1$  GeV) 6qcc resonance formation with mass  $\sim 5$  GeV, S.J. Brodsky, G.F. de Teramond, PRL 60, 1924 (1988).

## Deuteron target:

- ISI and FSI are small, however, the PLCs will likely not expand too much on the length scale < 1.5 fm (internucleon distances in the deuteron contributing to the rescattering amplitudes) for momenta above several GeV/c, i.e. they are likely to be frozen.
- suggested to study CT in several large-angle processes:

$d(e,e'p)n$  – **V.V. Anisovich, L.G. Dakhno, M.M. Giannini, PRC 49, 3275 (1994);  
L.L. Frankfurt, W.R. Greenberg, G.A. Miller, M.M. Sargsian, M.I. Strikman,  
Z. Phys. A352, 97 (1995)**

Recent proposal at JLab: **S. Li et al, MDPI Physics 4, 1426 (2022) [arXiv:2209.14400]**

$d(p,2p)n$  - **L.L. Frankfurt, E. Piasetzky, M.M. Sargsian, M.I. Strikman, PRC 56, 2752 (1997);  
AL PRC 107, 014605 (2023)**

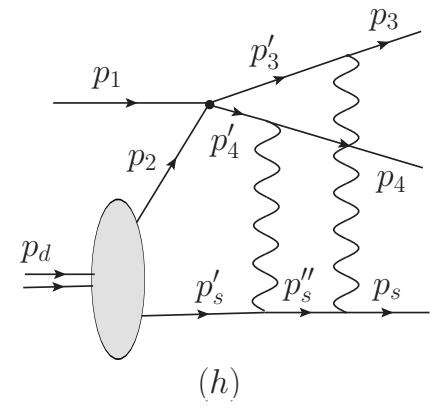
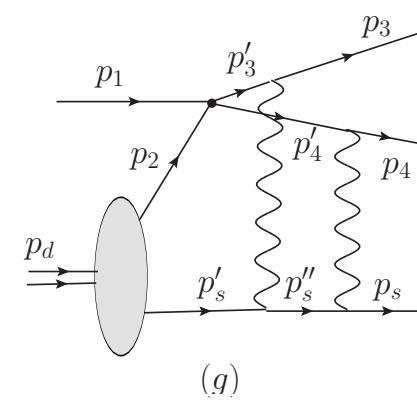
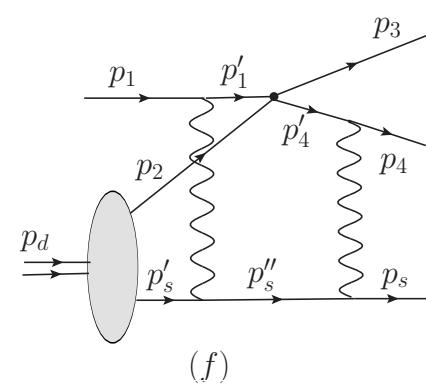
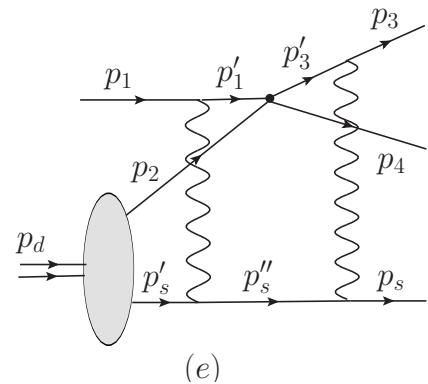
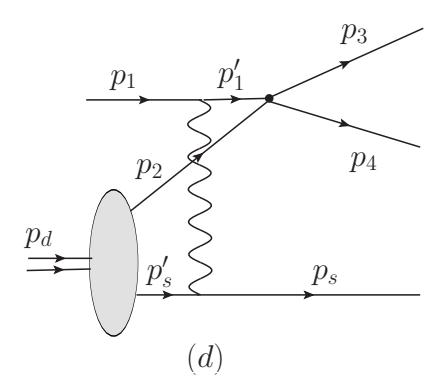
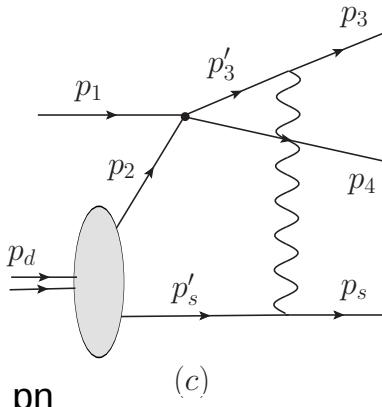
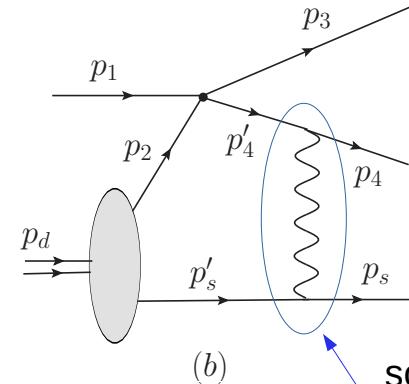
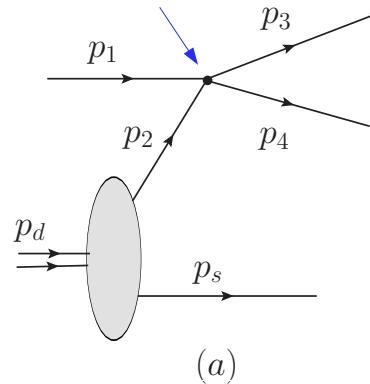
- Can be measured at NICA SPD

$d(\bar{p},\pi^-\pi^0)p$  – **AL, M.I. Strikman, EPJA 56, 21 (2020)**

- Can be measured at PANDA

Partial amplitudes:

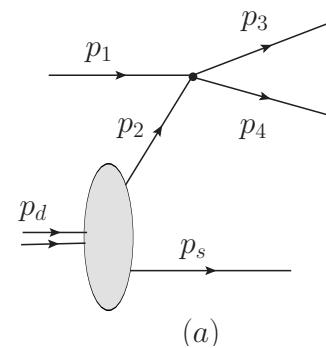
hard pp  $\rightarrow$  pp  
amplitude



soft pn  $\rightarrow$  pn  
amplitude

# Impulse approximation (IA) amplitude:

$$M^{(a)} = M_{\text{hard}}(s_{\text{hard}}, t_{\text{hard}}) \frac{i\Gamma_{d \rightarrow pn}(p_d, p_s)}{(p_2)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} ,$$



$$s_{\text{hard}} = (p_3 + p_4)^2 , \quad t_{\text{hard}} = (p_1 - p_3)^2 , \quad u_{\text{hard}} = (p_1 - p_4)^2$$

$$t_{\text{hard}} \simeq u_{\text{hard}} \simeq -s_{\text{hard}}/2 \quad \Theta_{c.m.} \simeq 90^\circ$$

Non-relativistic treatment of the deuteron wave function (DWF)  
in the deuteron rest frame for the on-shell spectator neutron:

$$\frac{i\Gamma_{d \rightarrow pn}(p_d, p_s)}{(p_2)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} = \left( \frac{2E_s m_d}{p_2^0} \right)^{1/2} (2\pi)^{3/2} \phi^{\lambda_d}(\mathbf{p}_2, \lambda_2, \lambda_s) , \quad \mathbf{p}_2 = -\mathbf{p}_s , \quad E_s \equiv (m^2 + \mathbf{p}_s^2)^{1/2}$$

DWF:

$$\phi^{\lambda_d}(\mathbf{p}_2, \lambda_2, \lambda_s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \left[ u(p_2) + \frac{w(p_2)}{\sqrt{8}} S(\mathbf{p}_2) \right] \chi^{\lambda_d} , \quad \chi^{\pm 1} = \delta_{\pm 1/2, \lambda_p} \delta_{\pm 1/2, \lambda_n} \\ \chi^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\delta_{1/2, \lambda_p} \delta_{-1/2, \lambda_n} + \delta_{-1/2, \lambda_p} \delta_{1/2, \lambda_n})$$

$$S(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{3(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\lambda_2 \lambda_p} \mathbf{p})(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\lambda_s \lambda_n} \mathbf{p})}{p^2} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\lambda_2 \lambda_p} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\lambda_s \lambda_n}$$

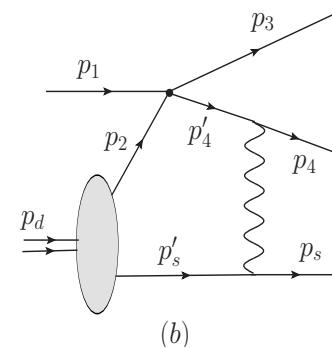
$$\int d^3p \sum_{\lambda_2, \lambda_s} |\phi^{\lambda_d}(\mathbf{p}, \lambda_2, \lambda_s)|^2 = 1 .$$

$$M^{(a)} \simeq 2m^{1/2} M_{\text{hard}}(s_{\text{hard}}, t_{\text{hard}}) (2\pi)^{3/2} \phi(-\mathbf{p}_s) = 2m^{1/2} M_{\text{hard}}(s_{\text{hard}}, t_{\text{hard}}) \int d^3r e^{i\mathbf{p}_s \cdot \mathbf{r}} \phi(\mathbf{r}) , \quad \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_s$$

↑  
nucleon mass

## Amplitude with rescattering of an outgoing proton:

- momentum transfer in soft rescattering is small,  
 $M_{\text{hard}}$  can be factorized out of the four momentum integral



$$M^{(b)} = M_{\text{hard}}(s_{\text{hard}}, t_{\text{hard}}) \int \frac{d^4 p'_s}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\Gamma_{d \rightarrow pn}(p_d, p'_s) M_{\text{el}}(p_4, p_s, p'_4)}{((p_2)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon)((p'_4)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon)((p'_s)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon)} ,$$

- static neutron approximation: neglect the dependence  
of the soft rescattering amplitude  $M_{\text{el}}$  on the energy  $p'_s{}^0$  of neutron
- perform integration over  $p'_s{}^0$  using contour integration  
(pole approximation,  $(p'_s)^2 = m^2$ )

$$M^{(b)} = -\frac{M_{\text{hard}}(s_{\text{hard}}, t_{\text{hard}})}{m^{1/2}} \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{(2\pi)^{3/2} \phi(-\mathbf{p}'_s) M_{\text{el}}(|\mathbf{p}_4|, t)}{(\mathbf{p}'_4)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} , \quad \begin{aligned} \mathbf{k} &= \mathbf{p}_s - \mathbf{p}'_s, \quad \mathbf{k}_t = \mathbf{k} - (\mathbf{k}\mathbf{p}_4)\mathbf{p}_4/|\mathbf{p}_4|^2, \\ t &= -k_t^2 \end{aligned}$$

- express the propagator of the fast proton in the eikonal form:

$$(\mathbf{p}'_4)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon = (\mathbf{p}_4 + \mathbf{p}_s - \mathbf{p}'_s)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon = 2\mathbf{p}_4(\mathbf{p}_s - \mathbf{p}'_s) + (\mathbf{p}_s - \mathbf{p}'_s)^2 + i\epsilon = 2|\mathbf{p}_4|(p'_s{}^z - p_s{}^z + \Delta_4 + i\epsilon) , \quad \mathbf{e}_z \uparrow\uparrow \mathbf{p}_4 ,$$

$$\Delta_4 \equiv \frac{E_4(E_s - E'_s)}{|\mathbf{p}_4|} + \frac{(\mathbf{p}_s - \mathbf{p}'_s)^2}{2|\mathbf{p}_4|} \underset{\text{neglect Fermi motion in the deuteron (GEA)}}{\sim} \frac{(E_4 - m)(E_s - m)}{|\mathbf{p}_4|} .$$

neglect Fermi motion in the deuteron (GEA)

→ 
$$M^{(b)} = \frac{M_{\text{hard}}(s_{\text{hard}}, t_{\text{hard}})}{2|\mathbf{p}_4|m^{1/2}} \int d^3 r \Theta(-\tilde{z}) \phi(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\mathbf{p}_s \mathbf{r} - i\Delta_4 \tilde{z}} \int \frac{d^2 k_t}{(2\pi)^2} e^{-i\mathbf{k}_t \tilde{\mathbf{b}}} i M_{\text{el}}(|\mathbf{p}_4|, t) ,$$

$$\tilde{z} = \mathbf{r} \mathbf{p}_4 / |\mathbf{p}_4|$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{b}} = \mathbf{r} - (r \mathbf{p}_4) \mathbf{p}_4 / |\mathbf{p}_4|^2$$

## Hard $pp \rightarrow pp$ scattering amplitude *J.P. Ralston, B. Pire, PRL 61, 1823 (1988)*

$$M_{\text{hard}} = M_{\text{QC}} + M_{\text{L}} = M_{\text{QC}}(1 + R(s))$$

quark counting component  $\sim s^{-4}$   
minimally connected graphs,  
**small-size configurations (PLCs)**

Landshoff component – independent qq scattering,  
disconnected graphs, **large-size configurations**

**Only a part of rescattering amplitudes  $\propto M_{\text{QC}}$  is influenced by CT !**

chromo-Coulomb phase shift

$$R(s) = M_{\text{L}}/M_{\text{QC}} = \frac{\rho_1 \sqrt{s}}{2} e^{\pm i(\phi(s) + \delta_1)}, \quad \rho_1 = 0.08 \text{ GeV}^{-1}, \quad \delta_1 = -2$$

$$\phi(s) = \frac{\pi}{0.06} \log \left[ \log \left( \frac{s}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2} \right) \right], \quad \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.1 \text{ GeV}$$

Cross section parameterization

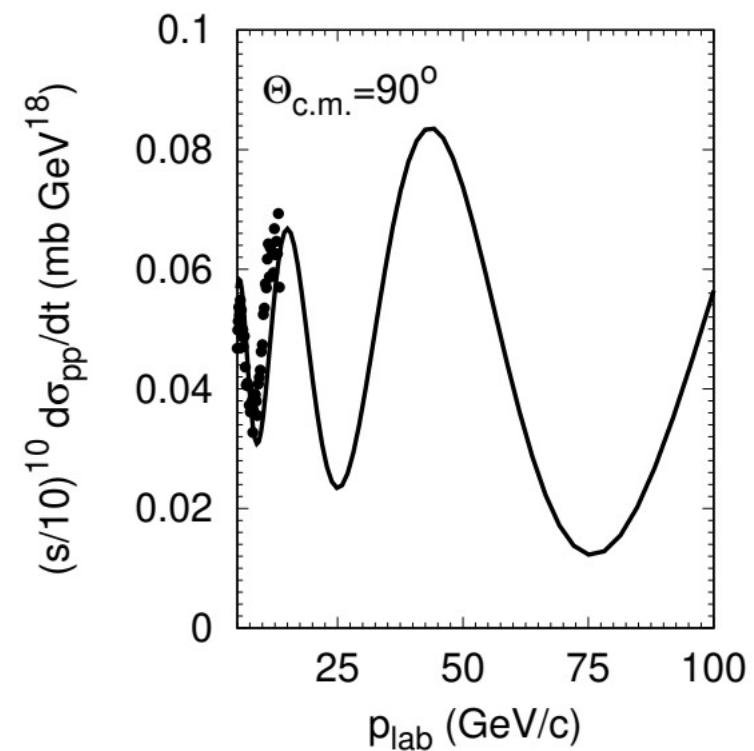
*L. Frankfurt, E. Piasetsky,  
M. Sargsian, M. Strikman,  
PRC 51, 890 (1995)*

$$\frac{d\sigma_{pp}^{\text{QC}}}{dt} = 45 \frac{\mu\text{b}}{\text{GeV}^2} \left( \frac{10 \text{ GeV}^2}{s} \right)^{10} \left( \frac{4m^2 - s}{2t} \right)^{4\gamma}$$

$$\gamma = 1.6$$

Assume spin-independent hard amplitude,  
non-polarized proton beam:

$$M_{\text{hard}} = \left( 16\pi(s - 4m^2)s \frac{d\sigma_{pp}^{\text{QC}}}{dt} \right)^{1/2} [1 + R(s)] \delta_{\lambda_1 \lambda_3} \delta_{\lambda_2 \lambda_4}$$



Data: *C.W. Akerlof et al.,  
Phys. Rev. 159, 1138 (1967)*

## Color transparency in the pn elastic scattering amplitude:

Quantum diffusion model of CT: **G.R. Farrar, H. Liu, L.L. Frankfurt, M.I. Strikman, PRL 61, 686 (1988); L.L. Frankfurt, W.R. Greenberg, G.A. Miller, M.M. Sargsian, M.I. Strikman, ZPA 352, 97 (1995)**

Without CT (GEA):  $M_{\text{el}}(|\mathbf{p}|, t) = 2|\mathbf{p}|m\sigma_{pn}^{\text{tot}}(i + \rho_{pn})e^{B_{pn}t/2}$

With CT:

$$M_{\text{el}}(|\mathbf{p}|, t, l) = 2|\mathbf{p}|m\sigma_{pn}^{\text{eff}}(l)(i + \rho_{pn})e^{B_{pn}t/2} \frac{G(t \cdot \frac{\sigma_{pn}^{\text{eff}}(l)}{\sigma_{pn}^{\text{tot}}})}{G(t)}, \quad l = |\mathbf{r}\mathbf{p}|/|\mathbf{p}|$$

$$\sigma_{pn}^{\text{eff}}(l) = \sigma_{pn}^{\text{tot}} \left( \left[ \frac{l}{l_c} + \frac{Q_0^2}{Q^2} \left( 1 - \frac{l}{l_c} \right) \right] \Theta(l_c - l) + \Theta(l - l_c) \right), \quad Q_0 \simeq 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$Q^2 = \min(-t_{\text{hard}}, -u_{\text{hard}}) \quad \text{- hard scale}$$

$$l_c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_{res}^2 + |\mathbf{p}|^2} - \sqrt{m^2 + |\mathbf{p}|^2}} \underset{|\mathbf{p}| \gg m_{res}, m}{\underset{\nearrow}{\sim}} \frac{2|\mathbf{p}|}{m_{res}^2 - m^2} \equiv \frac{2|\mathbf{p}|}{\Delta M^2} \quad \text{- coherence length}$$

$$\Delta M^2 \simeq 1 \text{ GeV}^2 \quad \text{- from pion transparency studies at JLab}$$

$$\Delta M^2 \simeq 2 - 3 \text{ GeV}^2 \quad \text{- from recent JLab } {}^{12}\text{C}(e,e'p) \text{ data analysis,}\\ \text{S. Li et al., MDPI Physics 4, 1426 (2022)}\\ [\text{arXiv:2209.14400}]$$

$$G(t) = \frac{1}{(1 - t/0.71 \text{ GeV}^2)^2} \quad \text{- electric formfactor of the proton}$$

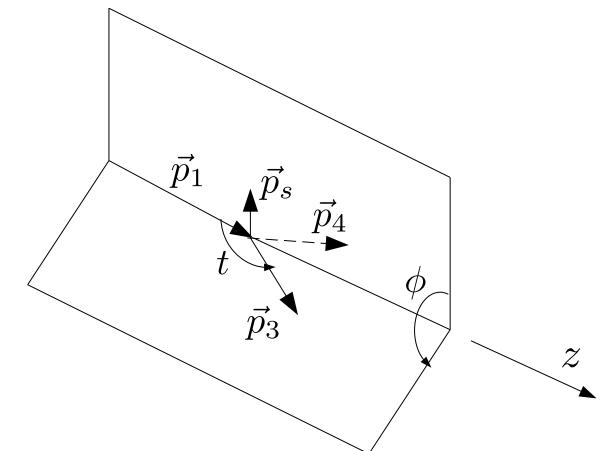
## Kinematic variables

$$\alpha_s = \frac{2(E_s - p_s^z)}{m_d} \quad - \text{the light cone variable } (\alpha_s/2 = \text{momentum fraction of the deuteron carried by the spectator neutron in the infinite momentum frame})$$

$p_{st}$  - the transverse momentum of the spectator neutron

$$\phi = \phi_3 - \phi_s \quad - \text{the relative azimuthal angle between the scattered proton and spectator neutron}$$

$$t = (p_1 - p_3)^2 \equiv t_{\text{hard}} \quad - \text{Mandelstam variable}$$



The deuteron rest frame

$$t = (4m^2 - s)/2, s = (p_3 + p_4)^2 \equiv s_{\text{hard}}$$

- corresponds to  $\Theta_{c.m.} = 90^\circ$

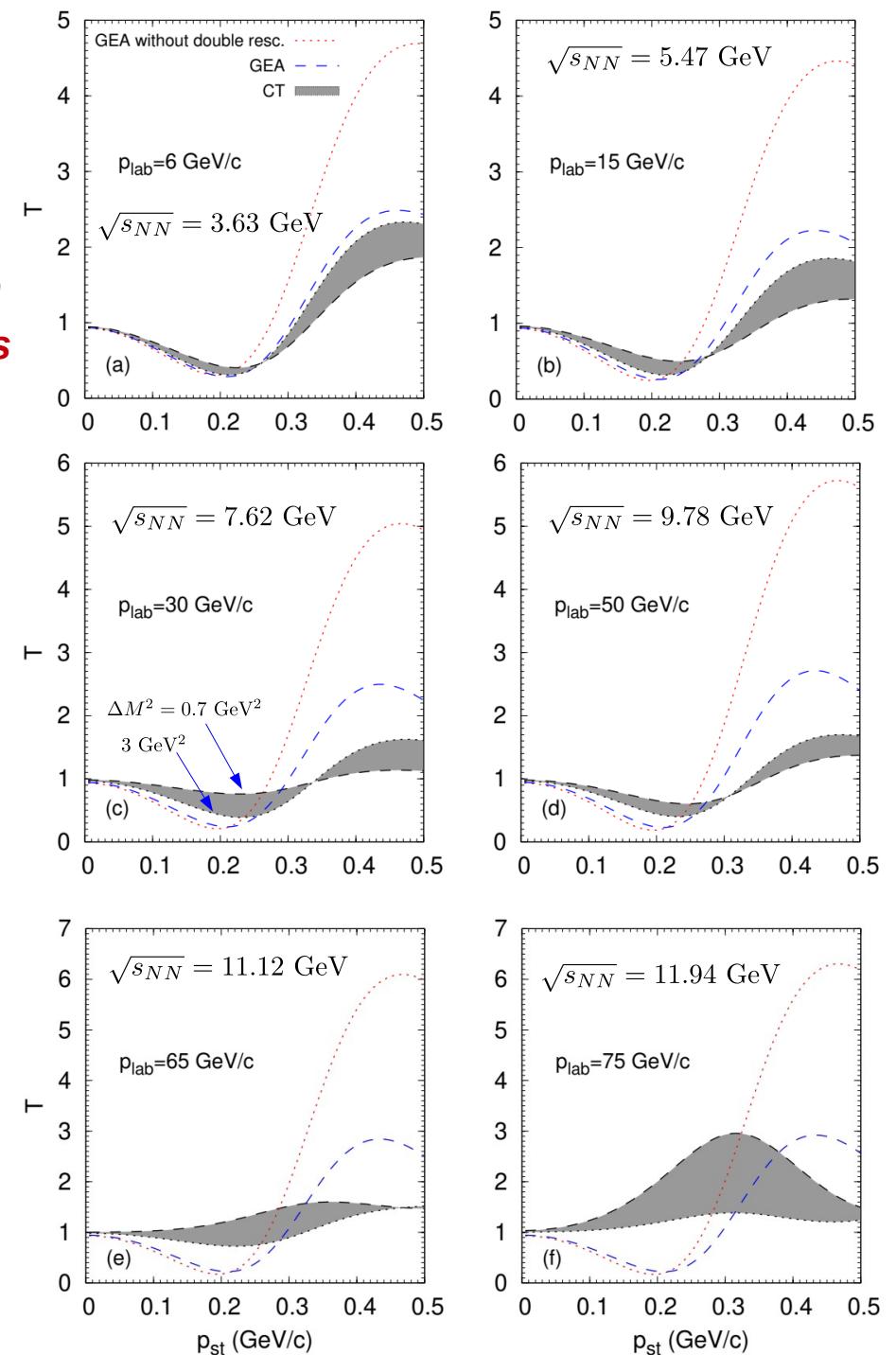
$$\phi = 180^\circ \quad - \text{in-plane kinematics}$$

**Default choice:**  $\alpha_s = 1$  - transverse kinematics which minimizes relativistic corrections to the DWF, see  
**L.L. Frankfurt et al, PRC 56, 2752 (1997)**

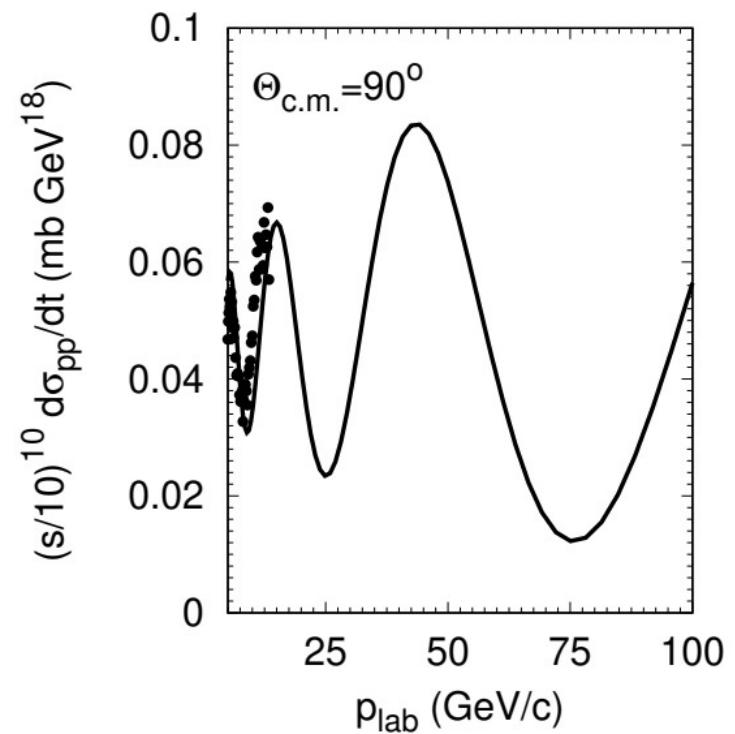
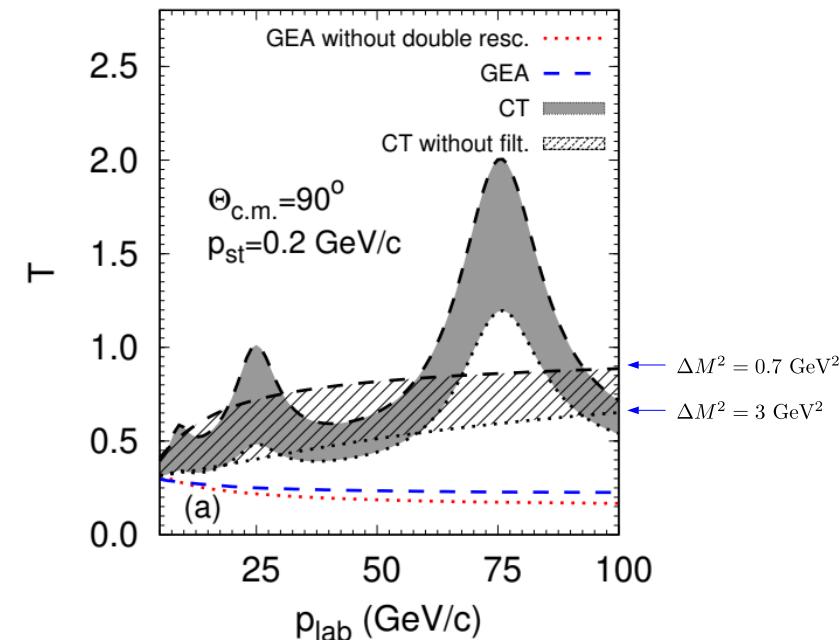
## Nuclear transparency vs transverse momentum of spectator neutron

$$T = \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{IA}}$$

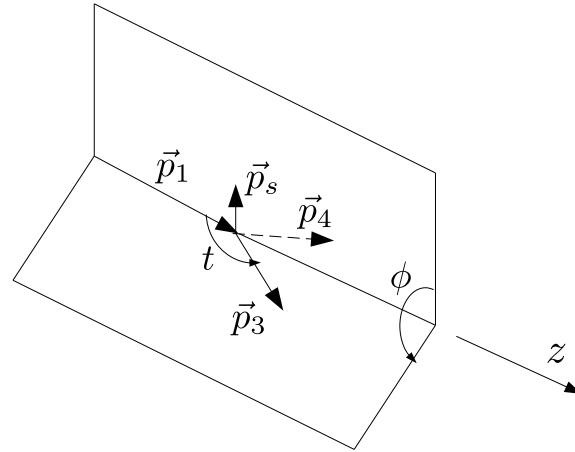
- absorptive ISI/FSI at small  $p_{st}$  due to the interference between the IA and single-rescattering amplitudes
- enhancement at large  $p_{st}$  due to the single-rescattering amplitudes squared
- destructive interference of the single- and double-rescattering amplitudes, important at large  $p_{st}$
- GEA-transparencies do not much depend on  $p_{lab}$  (parameters of soft NN scattering amplitude are rather weakly  $p_{lab}$ -dependent)
- CT-transparencies tend to unity (IA-limit) with increasing  $p_{lab}$  up to  $p_{lab} \approx 30 \text{ GeV}/c$  and then start to deviate from unity again
- this “anomaly” is due to the fact that CT influences only the QC part of the amplitude and not the Landshoff part



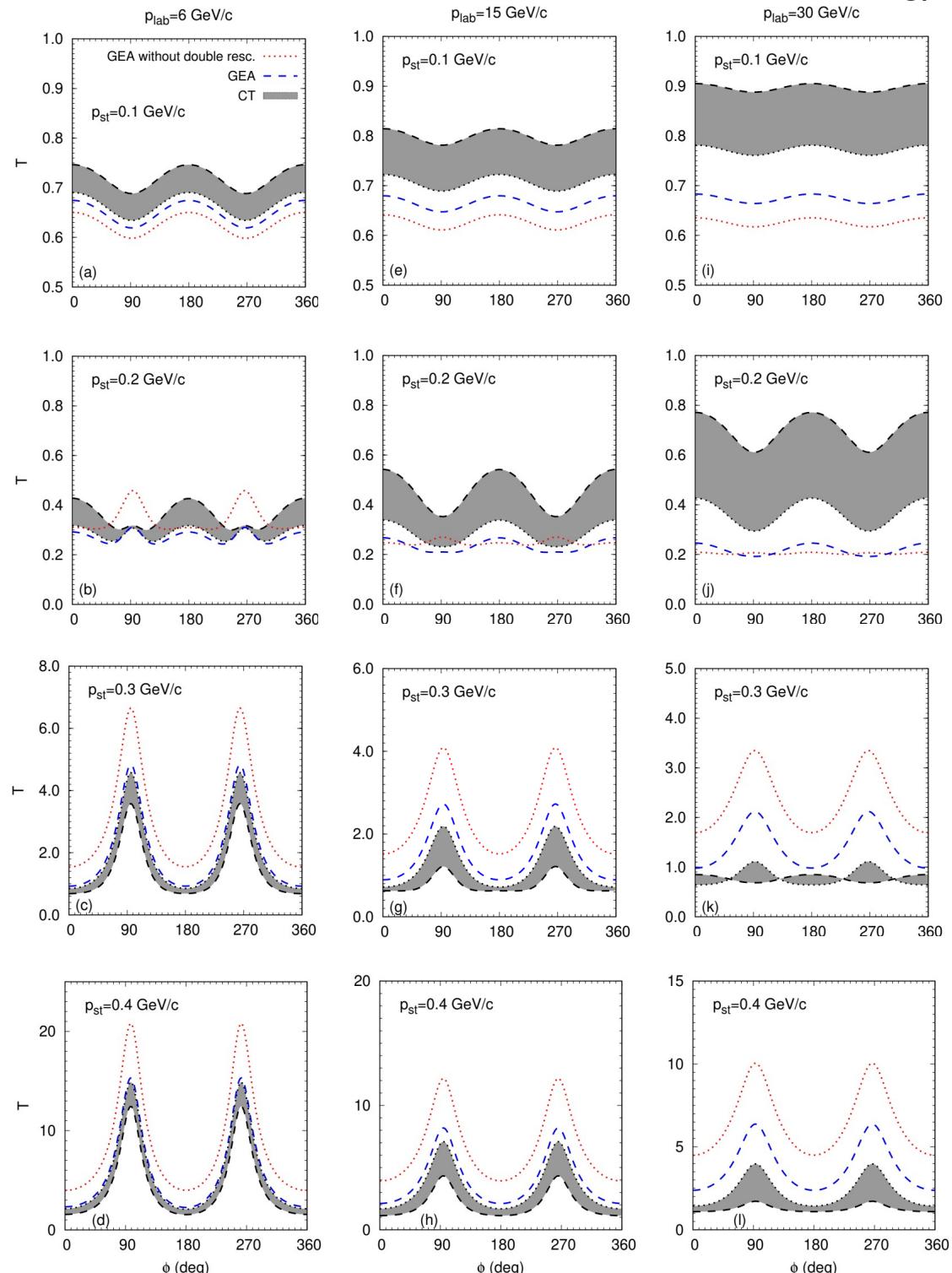
- *out-of-phase oscillations relative to the elementary cross section due to  $\sigma_{IA}$  in the denominator*
- *very similar to the nuclear filtering of the Landshoff component for heavy nuclei*
- J.P. Ralston, B. Pire, PRL 61, 1823 (1988)**
- *"antiabsorptive" behavior (i.e.  $T > 1$ ) at  $p_{lab} \approx 75$  GeV/c due to the constructive interference of the IA amplitude and the Landshoff part of the single-rescattering amplitudes*
- *monotonic increase w/o nuclear filtering (i.e. when CT affects both the Landshoff and QC parts of hard scattering amplitude)*



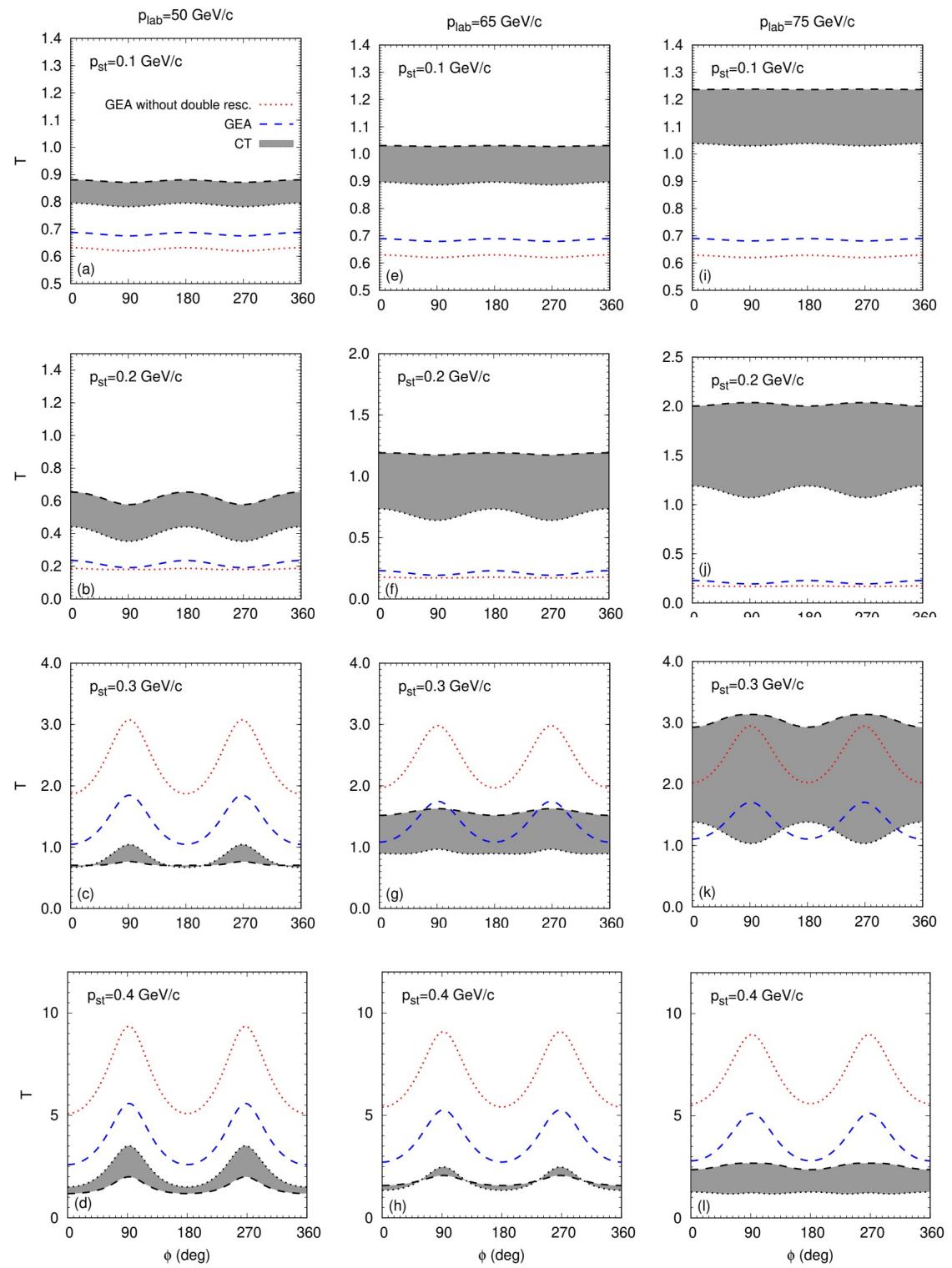
Dependence of the **transparency**  
on the azimuthal angle between  
the scattered proton and spectator neutron



- enhanced single-rescattering amplitudes for outgoing protons (3 and 4) for  $\varphi=90^\circ$  and  $270^\circ$  when  $\vec{p}_s \simeq \vec{k}_t$
- at small  $p_{st}$  this leads to the increased absorption while at large  $p_{st}$ 
  - to the increased yield at  $\varphi=90^\circ$  and  $270^\circ$
- CT effects grow with  $p_{lab}$  and become strongest at  $p_{lab} \approx 30$  GeV/c
- reasonable agreement with L.L. Frankfurt et al, PRC 56, 2752 (1997) at  $p_{lab}=6$  and  $15$  GeV/c



- between  $p_{lab} = 30$  and  $50 \text{ GeV}/c$   
the transparency changes quite weakly
- a tendency to isotropy at higher  $p_{lab}$   
in the calculations with CT



## The tensor analyzing power (spin asymmetry)

$$A_{zz} = \frac{\sigma(+1) + \sigma(-1) - 2\sigma(0)}{\sigma(+1) + \sigma(-1) + \sigma(0)}$$

$\sigma(\lambda_d)$  - differential cross section for the fixed projection  $\lambda_d$  of deuteron spin on z-axis (along the proton beam)

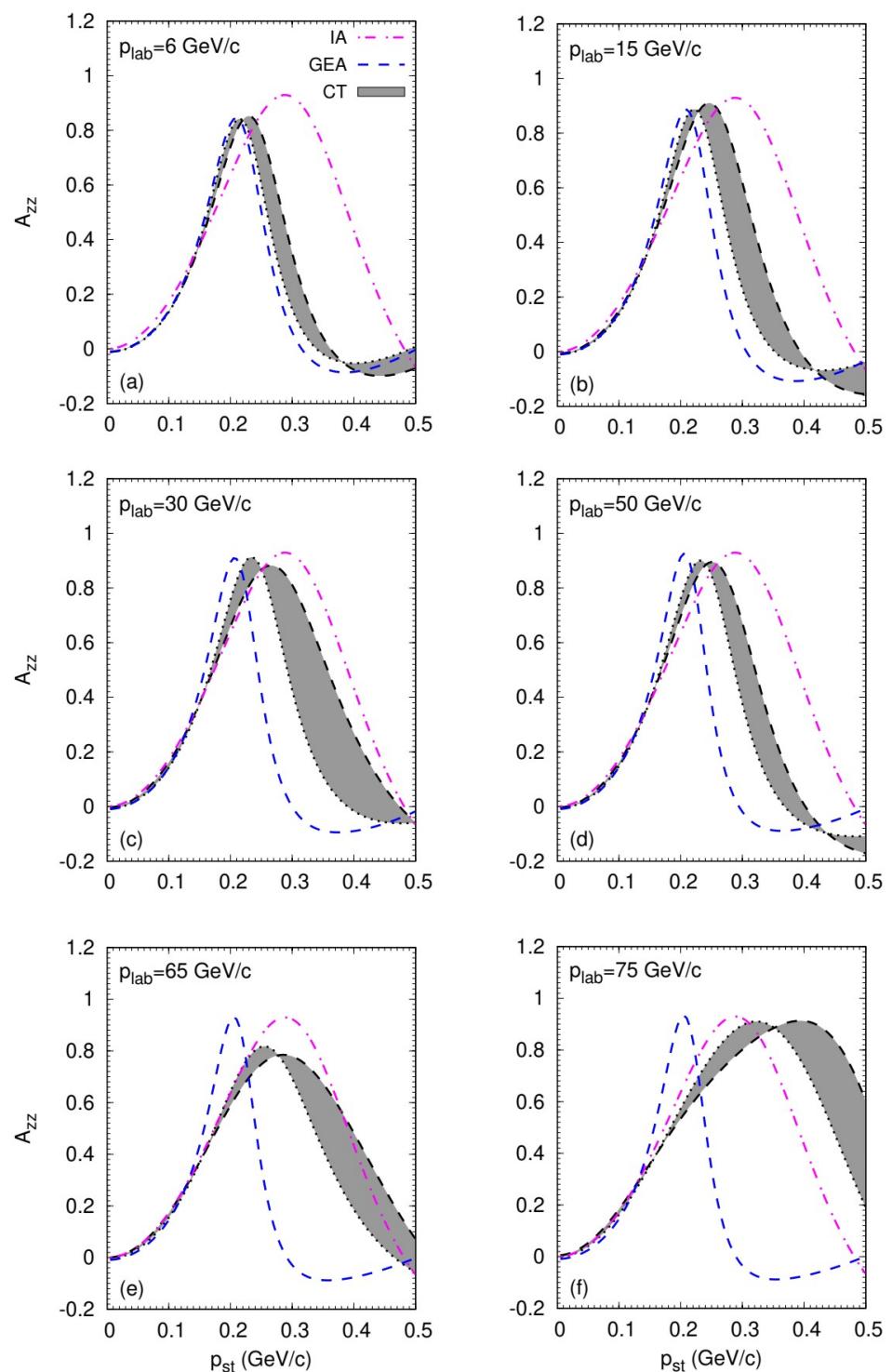
In the IA for a spin-independent hard amplitude, the tensor analyzing power is fully determined by the DWF:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{zz}^{IA} &= \frac{|\phi^{+1}(-\mathbf{p}_s)|^2 + |\phi^{-1}(-\mathbf{p}_s)|^2 - 2|\phi^0(-\mathbf{p}_s)|^2}{|\phi^{+1}(-\mathbf{p}_s)|^2 + |\phi^{-1}(-\mathbf{p}_s)|^2 + |\phi^0(-\mathbf{p}_s)|^2} \\ &= \frac{(3(p_s^z/p_s)^2 - 1)(\sqrt{2}u(p_s)w(p_s) - w^2(p_s)/2)}{u^2(p_s) + w^2(p_s)} . \end{aligned}$$

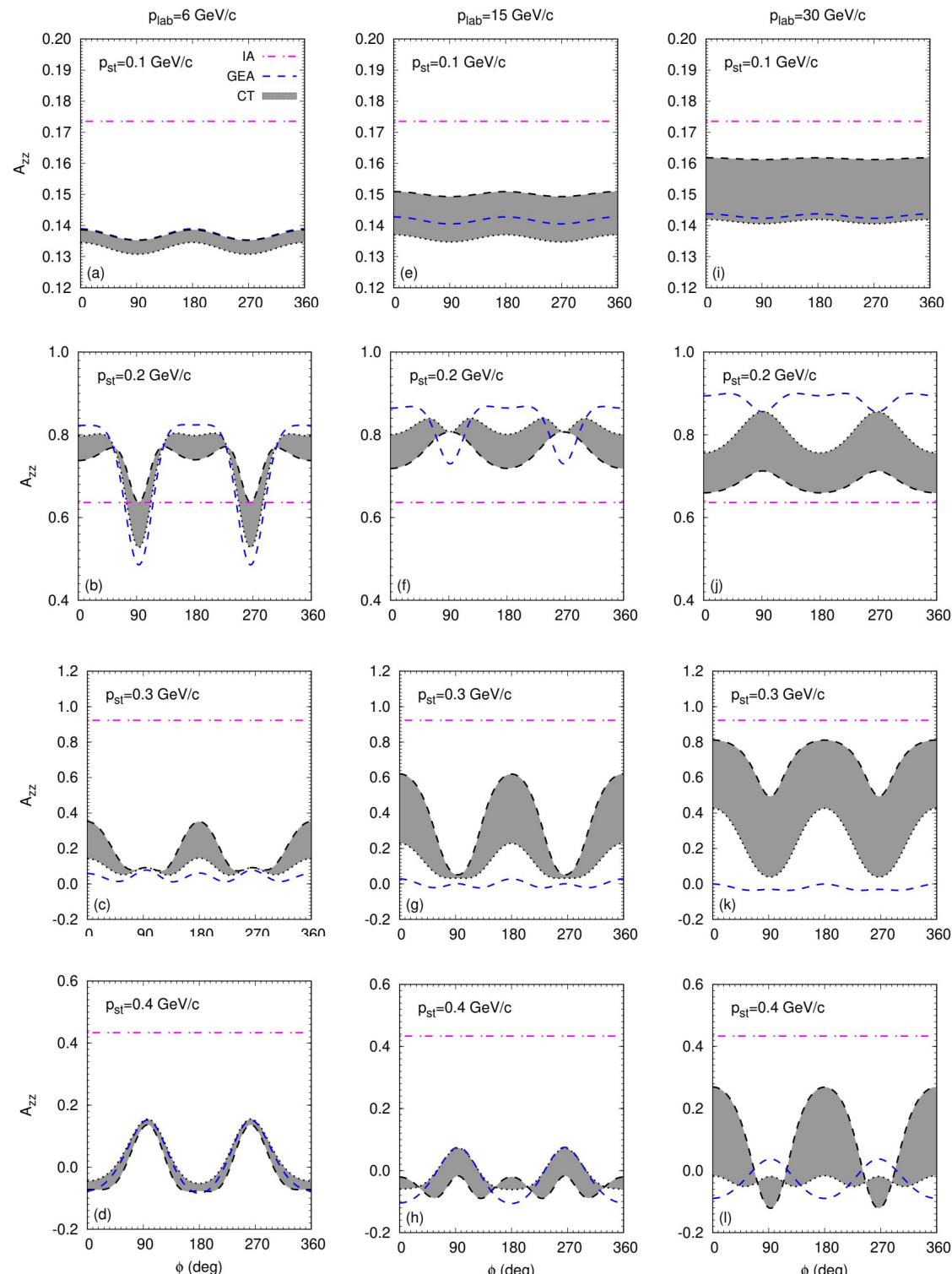
Thus, it probes the D-state component of the DWF.

# Dependence of the tensor analyzing power on the transverse momentum of the spectator neutron

- shift of the peak from  $p_{st} = 0.3 \text{ GeV}/c$  to  $p_{st} = 0.2 \text{ GeV}/c$  and reduced width due to ISI/FSI in the GEA calculations
- pronounced CT effects due to the D-state dominance in  $A_{zz}$  (favors shorter distances in the deuteron)



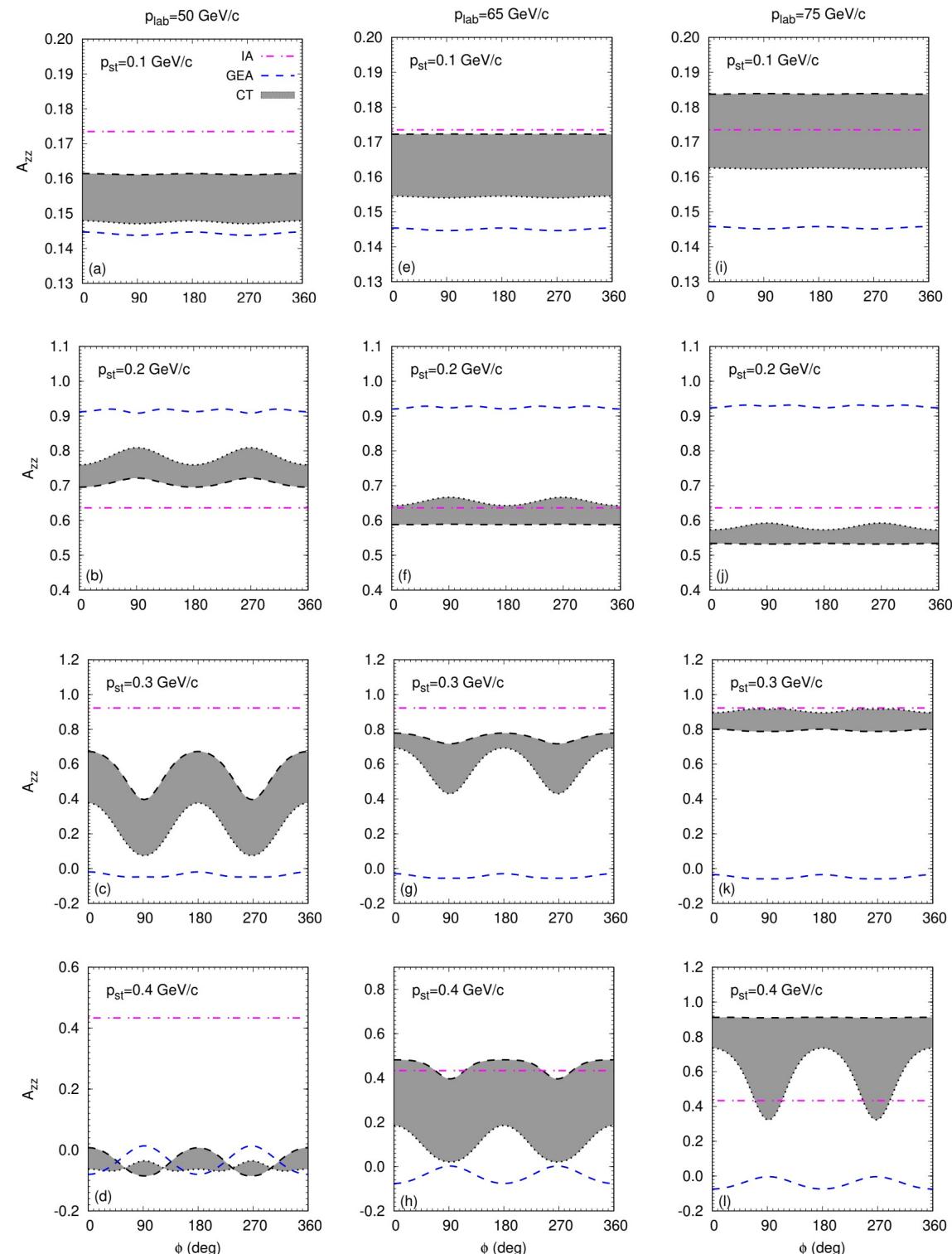
Dependence of the **tensor analyzing power**  
on the azimuthal angle between  
the scattered proton and spectator neutron



- *in the GEA,  $A_{zz}$  behaves similar to  $T$  as a function of  $\phi$  both at small and large  $p_{\text{st}}$*
- *the influence of CT is strongest at  $p_{\text{st}} \approx 0.3 \text{ GeV}/c$*
- *$p_{\text{lab}} = 15\text{-}30 \text{ GeV}/c$  seems to be optimal for the studies of CT effects*

- at higher beam momenta, the GEA gives a saturation of  $\varphi$ -dependence of  $A_{zz}$

- in calculations with CT  $A_{zz}$  tends to isotropy in  $\varphi$



$p_{\text{lab}} = 30 \text{ GeV/c}$  ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.6 \text{ GeV}$ )

For  $\Theta_{c.m.} = 90^\circ$  and  $p_{st} = 0.2 \text{ GeV}/c$

$$\alpha_s \frac{d^4\sigma}{d\alpha_s dt d\phi p_{st} dp_{st}} \simeq 10^{-6} \mu\text{b}/\text{GeV}^4$$

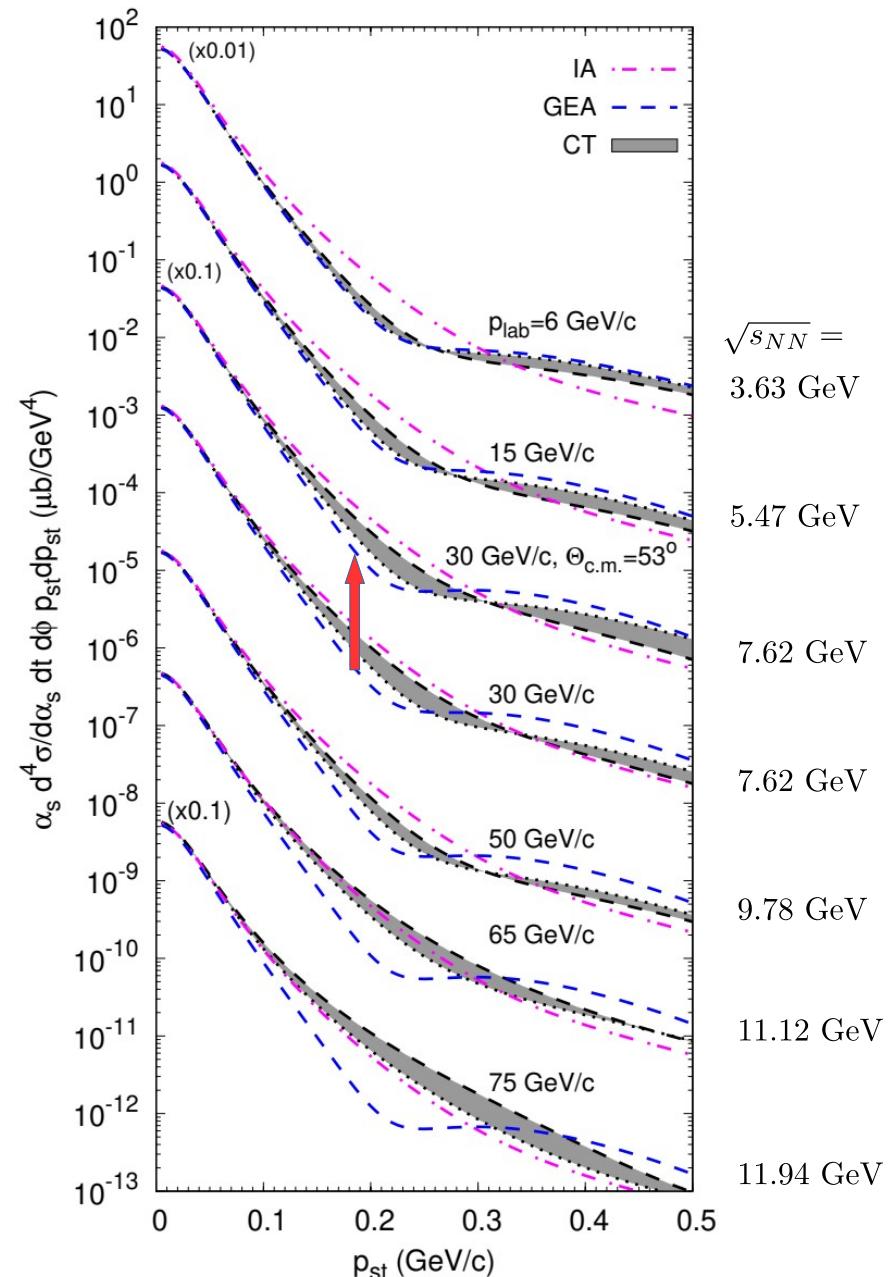
$\sigma \simeq 5$  fb in the ranges  $\Delta\alpha_s = 0.2$ ,  $\Delta t = 3$  GeV $^2$ ,  $\Delta\phi = \pi/3$ ,  $\Delta p_{st} = 0.04$  GeV/c.

3 events/year for  $L = 2 \cdot 10^{31}$  cm $^{-2}$  s $^{-1}$

Too low because  $d\sigma_{pp}^{\text{QC}}/dt$  quickly drops with  $|t|$ .  
Smaller  $|t|$  needed.

 Several events/day

for  $\Theta_{c.m.} = 53^\circ$ , i.e. for  $t = 0.4(4m^2 - s)/2$



## Summary

- Calculations for the  $d(p,2p)n$  large-angle process at  $p_{\text{lab}} = 6-75 \text{ GeV}/c$  ( $\sqrt{s}_{\text{NN}} = 3.6-12 \text{ GeV}$ ) are performed on the basis of the generalized eikonal approximation. The effects of CT are included within the quantum diffusion model, including the interference of the small- and large-size  $qqq$  configurations.
- Similar to the case of heavier nuclear targets, the Landshoff component of the hard  $pp \rightarrow pp$  amplitude is effectively filtered-out that leads to the oscillation pattern of the nuclear transparency as a function of  $p_{\text{lab}}$  at small transverse momentum of the spectator neutron.
- The azimuthal dependence of the nuclear transparency and of the tensor analyzing power are especially sensitive to the CT effects.
- Extremely low reaction rates for  $\Theta_{\text{c.m.}} = 90^\circ$ . The effects of CT remain almost unchanged if one reduces  $\Theta_{\text{c.m.}}$  from  $90^\circ$  to  $\sim 50^\circ$  that increases the event rate by 2-3 orders of magnitude to the level of several events per day.

- d+d collisions (better at first stage of NICA SPD)
- pA collisions for  $A \geq 3$  (stronger ISI/FSI, CT should be more pronounced)
- Improved description of double- and triple-scattering amplitudes may modify results at large  $p_{st}$
- A(p,ppN) reactions, short-range NN correlations,  
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*Thank you for your attention !*