

# Experimental verification of the GDH Sum Rule

*A survey including the extension of the  
GDH integral to virtual photons*

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# Outline

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- The GDH integral for virtual photons
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# The GDH Sum Rule at $Q^2 = 0$

$$\boxed{\int_0^\infty d\nu \frac{\sigma_{3/2}(\nu) - \sigma_{1/2}(\nu)}{\nu} = \frac{2\pi^2\alpha}{m^2} \kappa^2}$$

- Connects static observables of the nucleon to dynamics.
- Links QED with strong interactions: excitation spectrum.
- Gerasimov, Drell and Hearn (1966): Dispersion theory, rated SR purely academic since no exp. test at horizon.
- Hosoda, Yamamoto (1966): Current algebra, holds only if proton Dirac particle, exp. straight forward to test.
- Iddings (1965): No explicit mention ... but already generalized version!

# Derivation: Fundamental bases

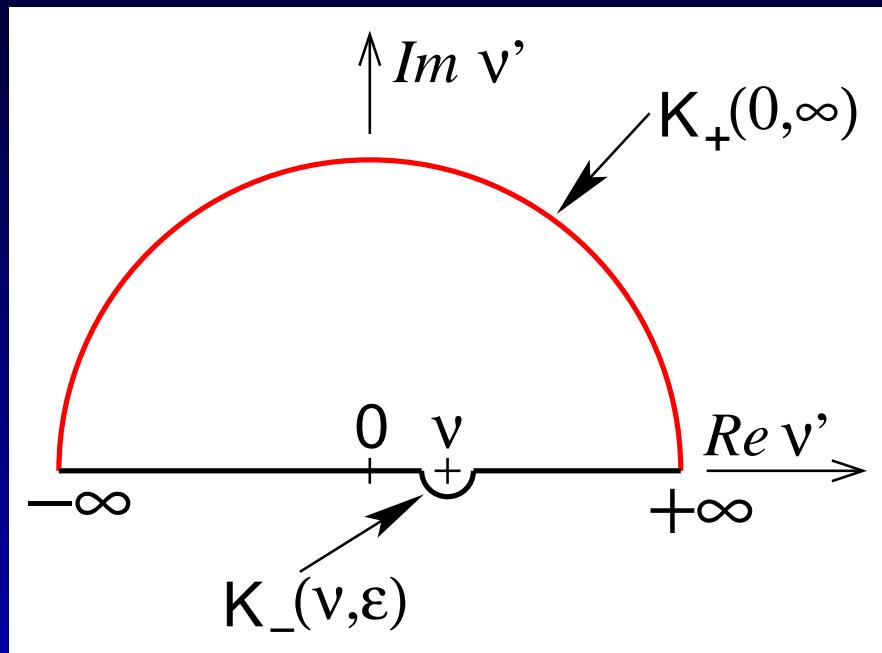
- Lorentz invariance, gauge invariance → Compton-forward amplitude  
$$f(\nu) = f_1(\nu) \vec{e}_2^* \cdot \vec{e}_1 + f_2(\nu) i \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{e}_2^* \times \vec{e}_1)$$
- Unitarity → Optical Theorem:  
$$\Im m f_2(\nu)/\nu = (4\pi)^{-1} \cdot (\sigma_{1/2} - \sigma_{3/2})$$
- Lorentz, gauge invariance → Low-Theorem:  
$$f_2(\nu)/\nu \xrightarrow{\nu \rightarrow 0} -\alpha/2m^2 \cdot \kappa^2$$
- Causality + “**No-subtraction**” → Kramers-Krönig dispersion relation:

$$\Re e f_2(\nu)/\nu = \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^\infty d\nu' \nu' \frac{\Im m f_2(\nu')/\nu'}{\nu'^2 - \nu^2}$$

# No-subtraction hypothesis

Statement on spin-flip Compton-forward amplitude.

Integration path for Kramers-Krönig dispersion relation:



$$\text{No-subtraction} \Leftrightarrow \int_{K_+(0,\infty)} d\nu' \frac{f_2(\nu')/\nu'}{\nu' - \nu} = 0$$

# Violation of No-subtraction

... leads to weird behavior:

- Amplitude:  $\lim f_2(\nu) \propto \nu$
- Differential cross section:

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{d\Omega} (d\sigma_{3/2} - d\sigma_{1/2})|_{\theta=0} = \infty$$

... while Regge-Theory tells

- Imaginary part of ampl.:  $\lim \frac{1}{\nu} \Im m f_2(\nu) = 0$
- Total cross section:

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} (\sigma_{3/2}^{\text{tot}} - \sigma_{1/2}^{\text{tot}}) = 0$$

# Possible modifications discussed

- Anomalous charge density commutator (Chang, Liang, Workman)  
→ Cancels in infinite-momentum limit (Pantfölder).
- Low-Theorem true only in lowest order of electromagnetic coupling (Low).
  - Explicitly holds up to second order (Roy, Cheng).
  - “Exactly correct in any known theory” (Gell-Mann, Goldberger).
- Photoproduction of gravitons (Goldberg)  
→ restoration by string excitations.

# Modifications (cont.)

- Fixed  $J = 1$  Regge pole (Abarbanel, Goldberger)
  - Froissart theorem: No fixed poles at  $J \leq 1$  in pure hadronic processes; usually assumed to hold in electro-weak processes.
  - Violates Landau-Yang?

⇒ Today no stringent indication for modifications!

Any possible modification would be related to violation of No-Subtraction Hypothesis

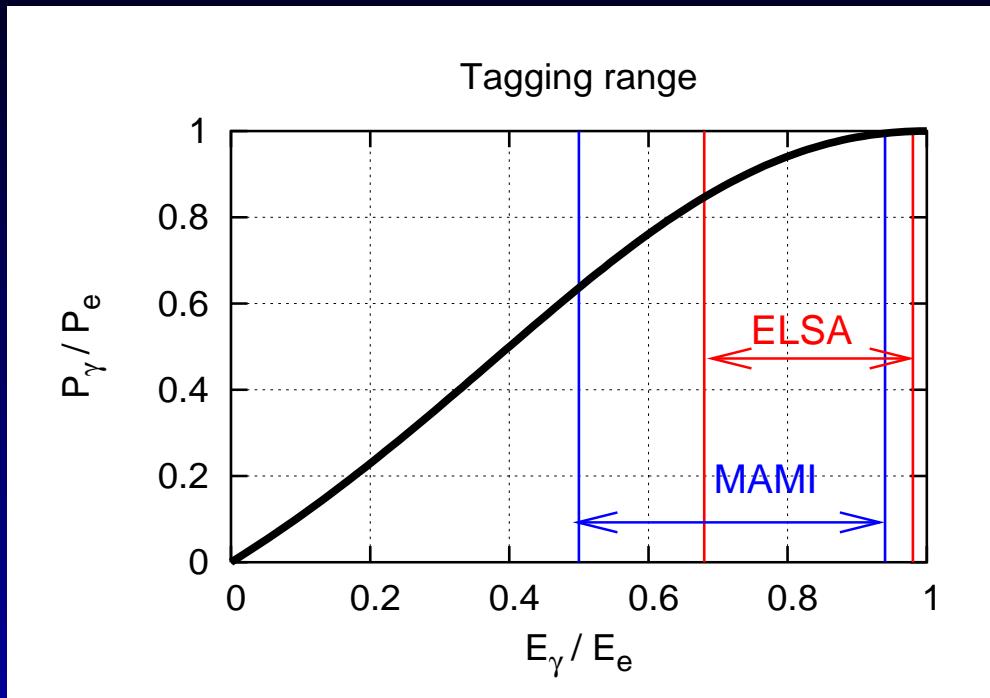
# Experimental approach

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{d\nu}{\nu} (\sigma_{3/2}(\nu) - \sigma_{1/2}(\nu)) = \frac{2\pi^2 \alpha}{m^2} \kappa^2$$

dynamic, measure = static, known (prec.  $10^{-6}$ )

- Determination of the GDH integrand at 2 accelerators:
  - from resonance region      **0.14 - 0.8 GeV**    at MAMI
  - to onset of Regge regime    **0.70 - 3.0 GeV**    at ELSA
- **Tagging-System:** determination of photon energy and flux
- **Polarized Target:** longitudinally polarized  ${}^1\text{H}$  or  ${}^2\text{H}$
- **Møller-Polarimeter:** longitudinal electron polarization  
hel. transfer  $\longrightarrow$  circular photon pol.
- **Detector:** DAPHNE (MAMI), GDH-Detector (ELSA)

# Helicity transfer



## MAMI

Tagging range:  $\sim 50 - 94\%$

2 primary energy settings:

0.4, 0.85 GeV

$E_\gamma = 140 - 800$  MeV

## ELSA

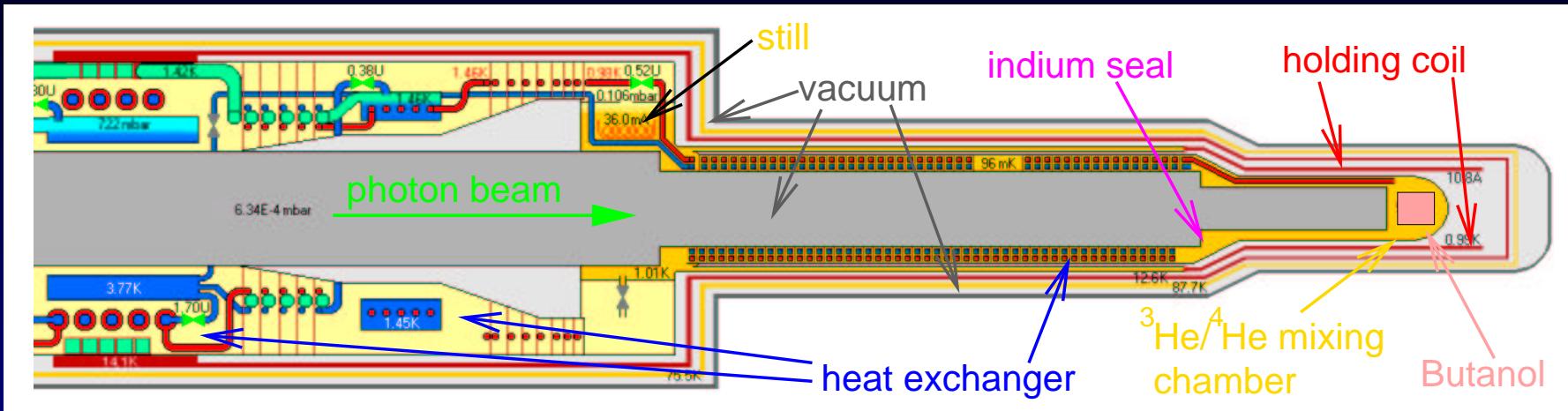
Tagging range: 68 - 97 %

5 primary energy settings:

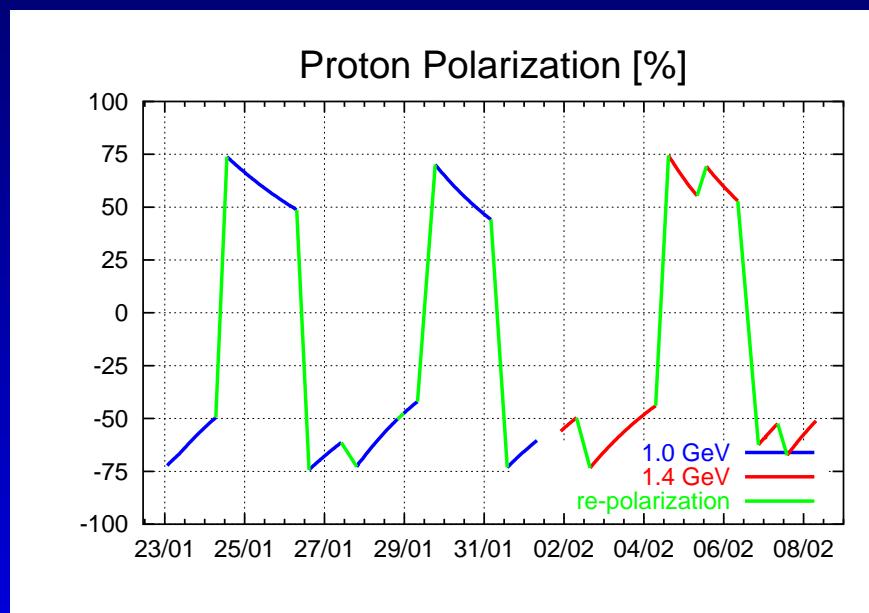
1.0, 1.4, 1.9, 2.4, 3.0 GeV

$E_\gamma = 700 - 2950$  MeV

# Polarized frozen spin target



- **Horizontal cryostat** → dead solid angle minimal.
- Material: **Butanol,  $^6\text{LiD}$**
- **Frozen spin** at 60 mK → low holding field (0.5 T).
- Super-conducting **internal holding coil** → low fringe field in detector.



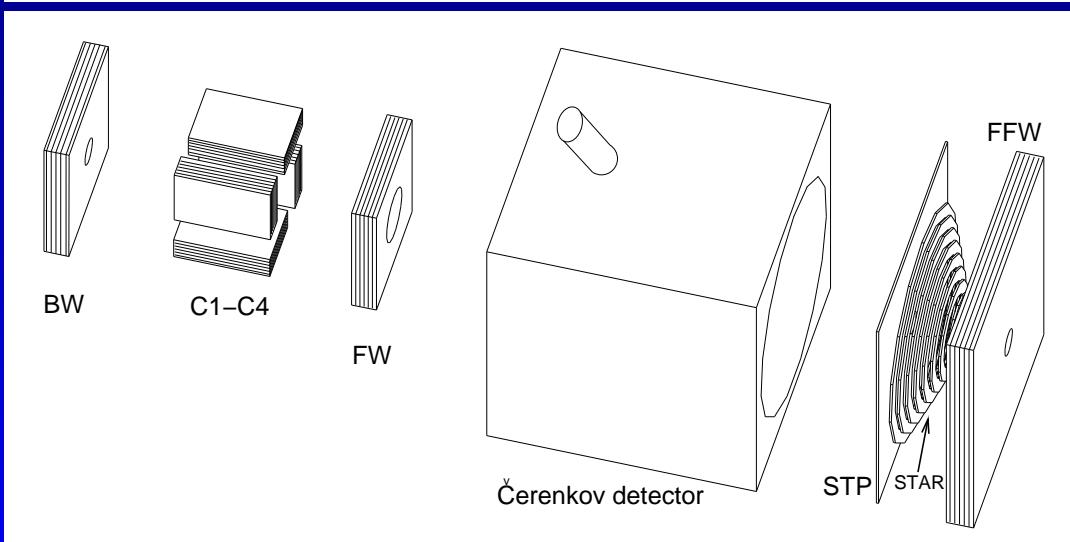
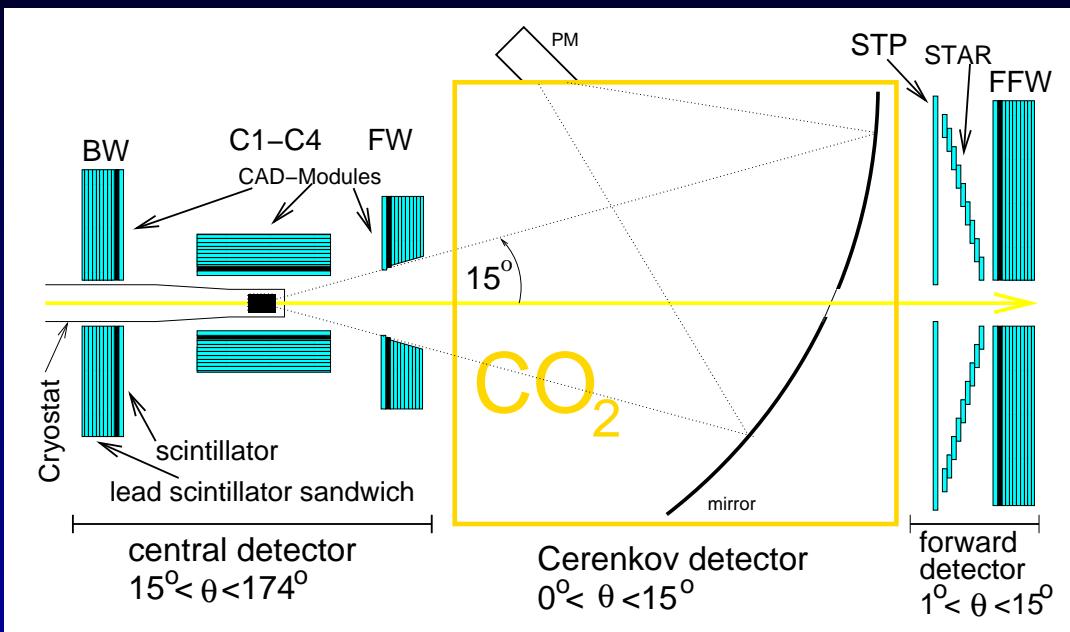
$P_{\max} \sim 85\%$ ;  $\tau_{\max}^{\text{relax}} \sim 200$  h.

# Detector concepts

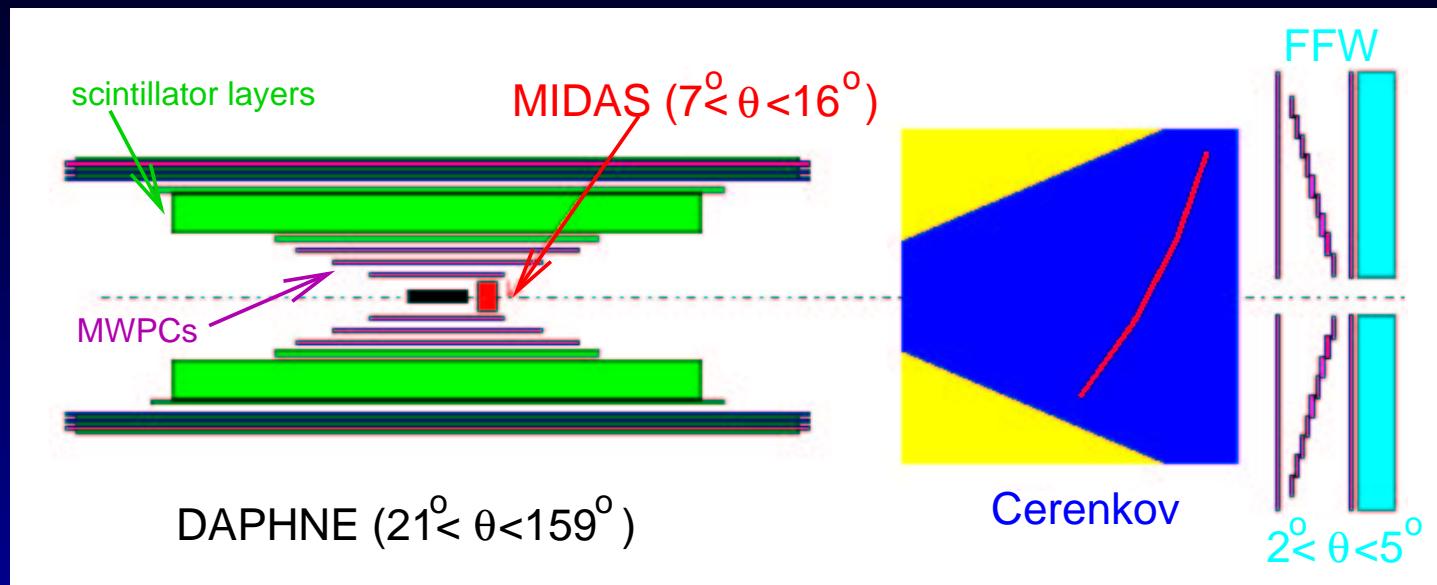
## GDH-Detector

Built for higher energies  
with unexplored channels:  
 $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 n, \Lambda K^+, \Sigma \dots$   
⇒ *inclusive measurement.*  
⇒ Detection of charged particles and decay photons.

- **99%** efficiency for hadronic processes.
- **99.6%** solid angle coverage!
- Cerenkov detector: **99.99%** elm. veto!

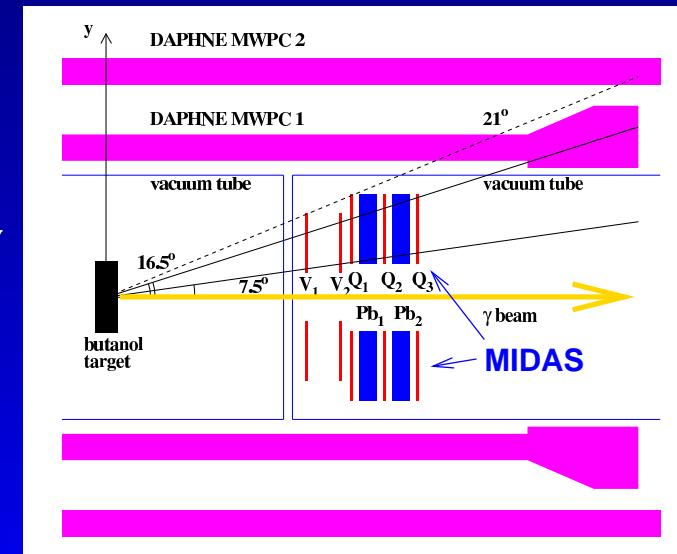


# Detector concepts (cont.)

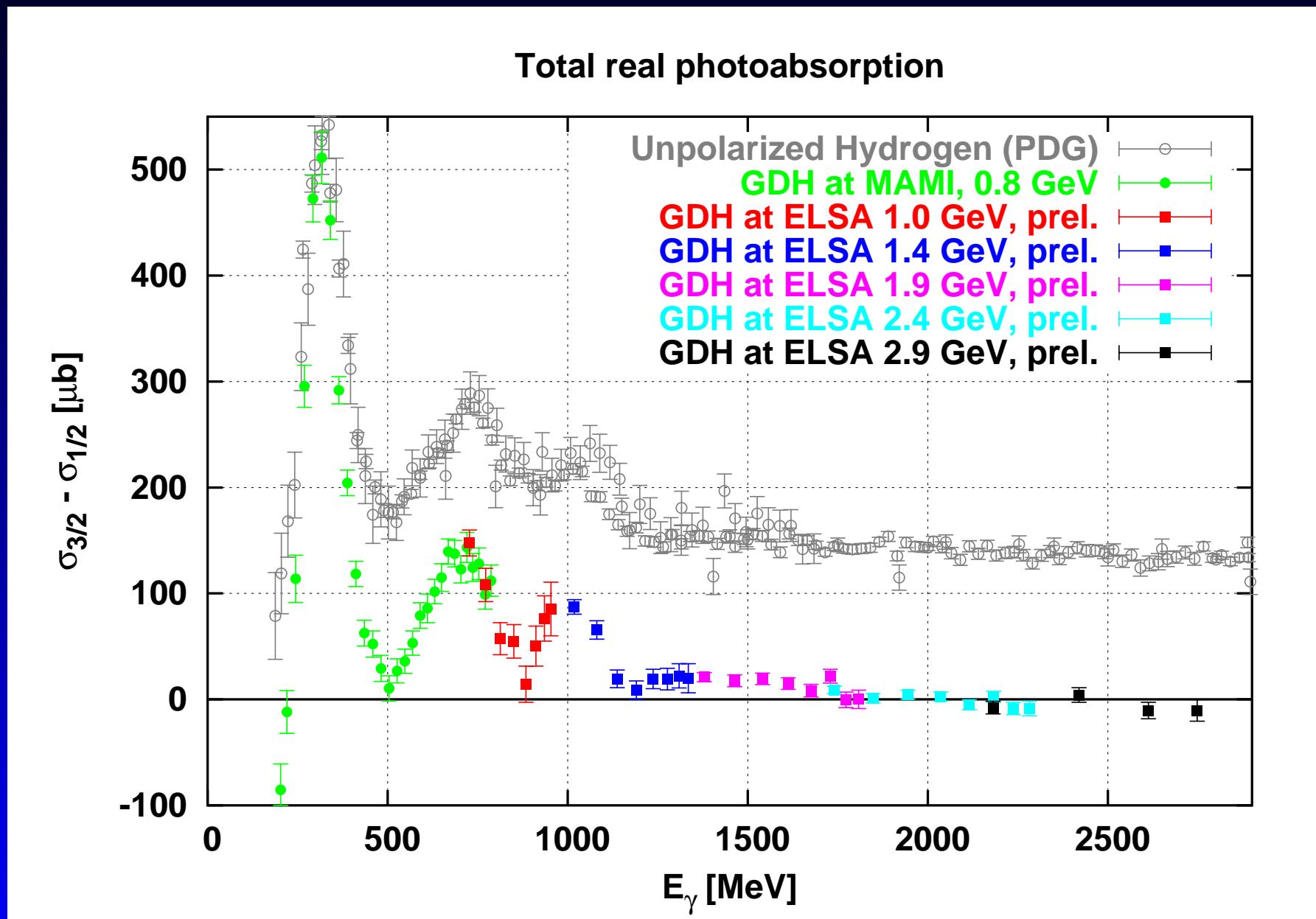


DAPHNE + Forward at MAMI

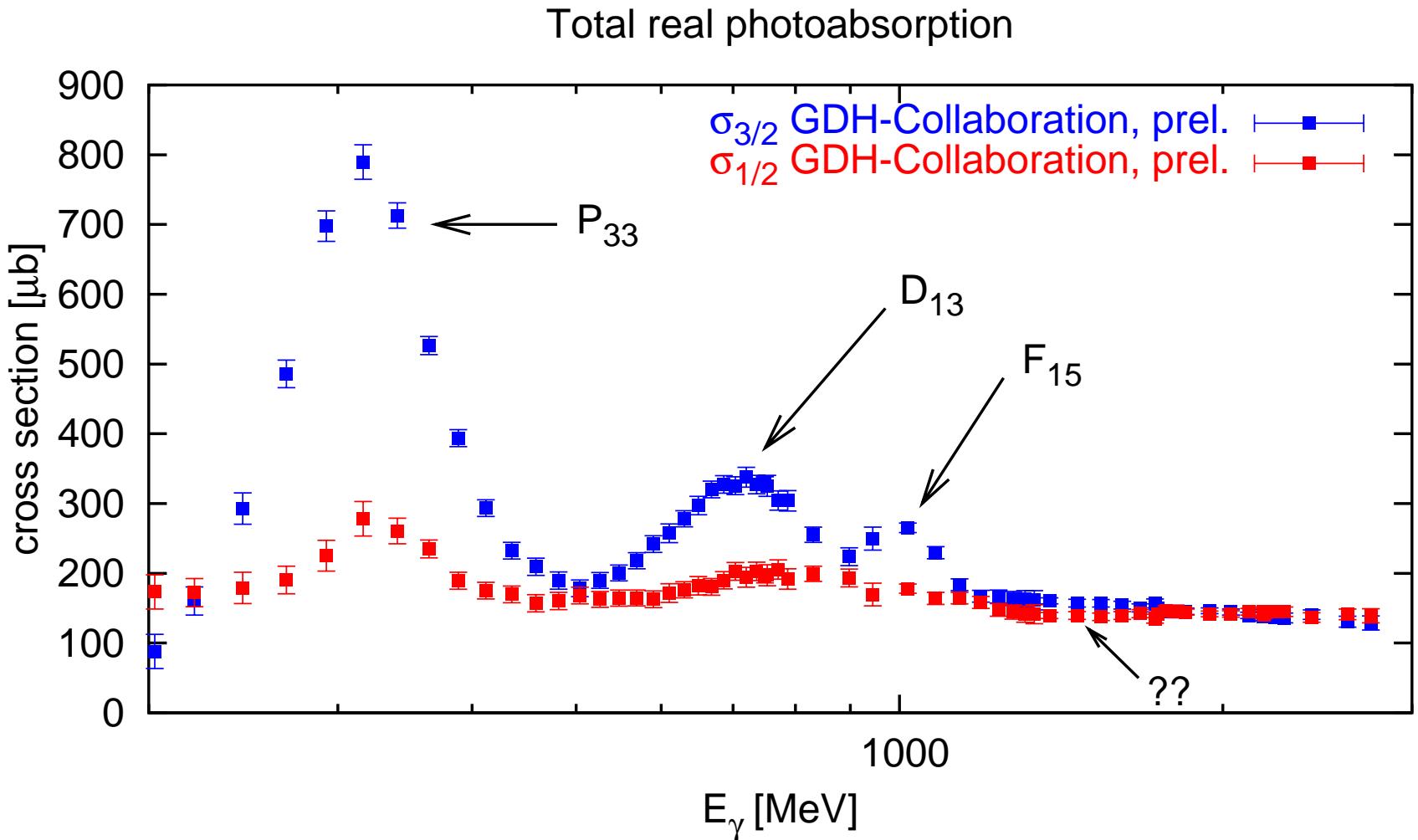
Small number of channels and low multiplicity states  
⇒ charged particle tracking and identification



# Polarized x-section difference

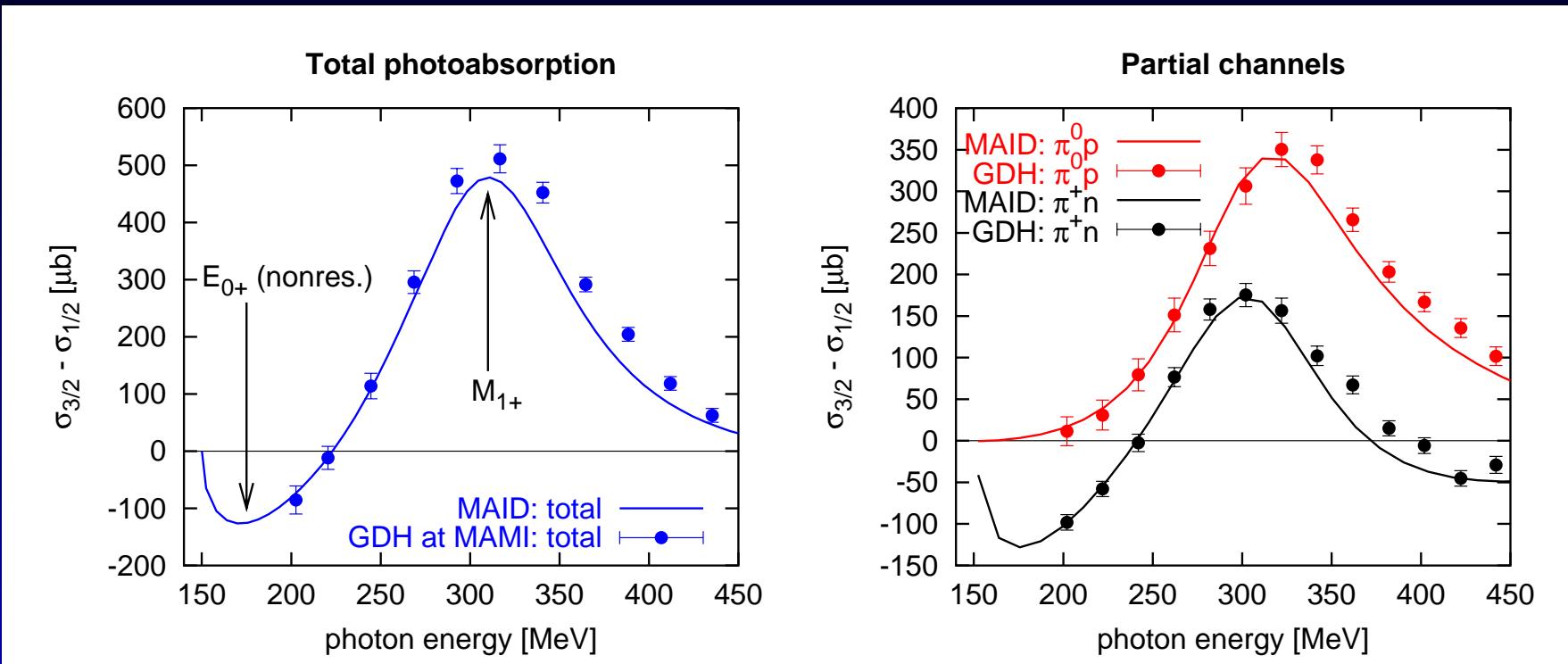


# X-sections: Helicity 3/2 and 1/2



Major resonances have  $J \geq 3/2$   
⇒  $\sigma_{3/2}$  carries most of the resonance structure

# Delta resonance



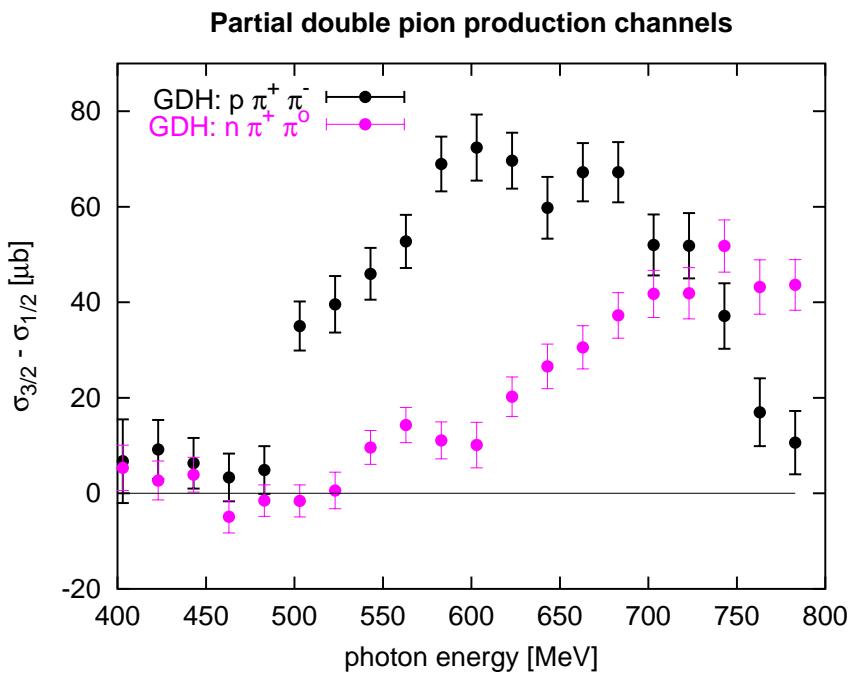
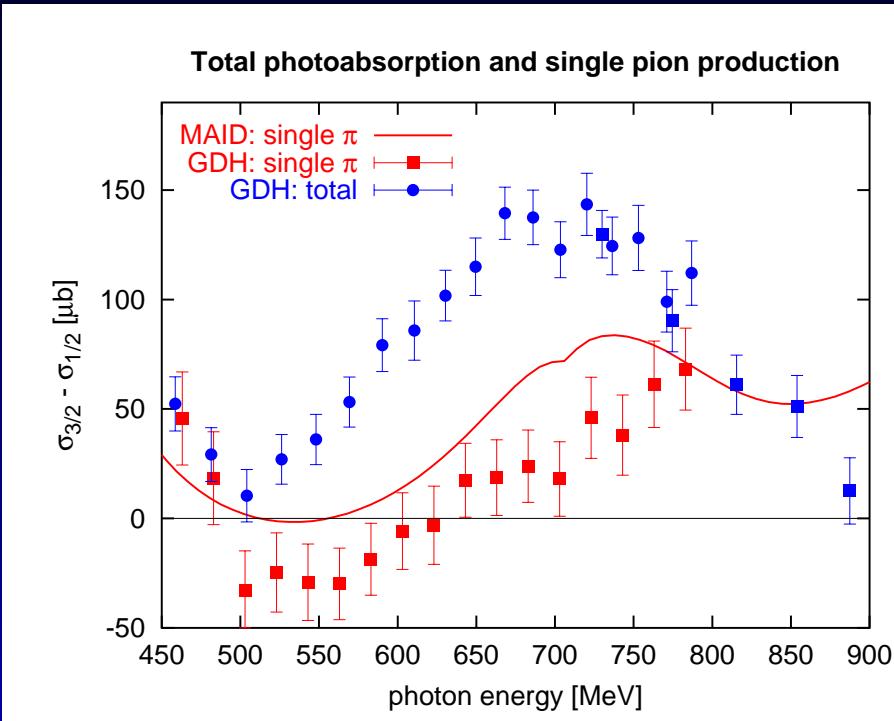
Example for partial wave analysis: MAID  
Unitary Isobar Model: Phenomenological model

based on Born terms, vector mesons and  
multipoles  $P_{33}, P_{11}, D_{13}, S_{11}, F_{15}, D_{33}$

Good agreement with data

$\pi^0 p$ : charge at center  
of gravity  
→ no dipole moment  
→ no  $E_{0+}$  at thresh.

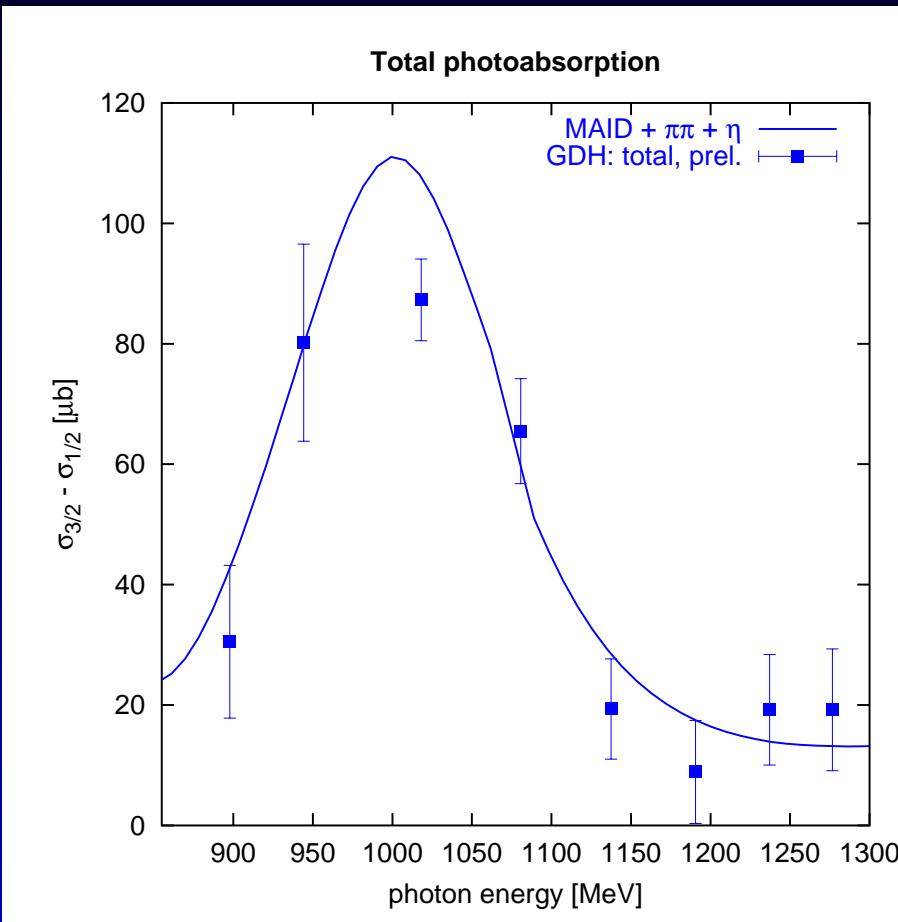
# 2nd resonance



MAID overestimates  
single pion  
→ Data lead to refined  
 $D_{13}$  resonance couplings  
to  $M_{2-}^{1/2}, E_{2-}^{1/2}$

All existing model  
predictions changed  
dramatically in view of  
data.

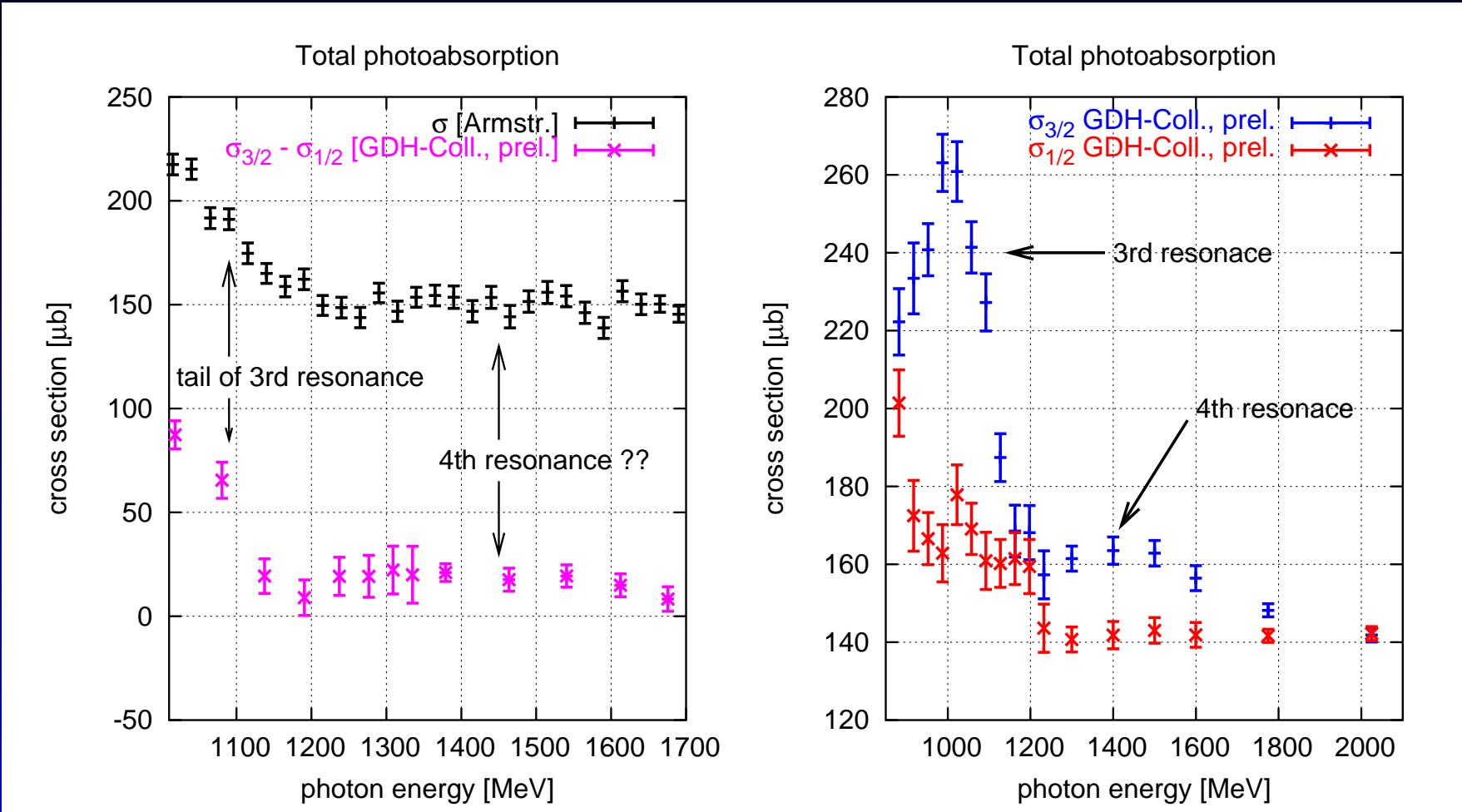
# 3rd resonance



MAID +  $2\pi$  estimate:  
rough agreement  
→ mainly resonant single  
pion production

Could be coincidence only  
→ to be verified by data  
analysis!

# 4th resonance

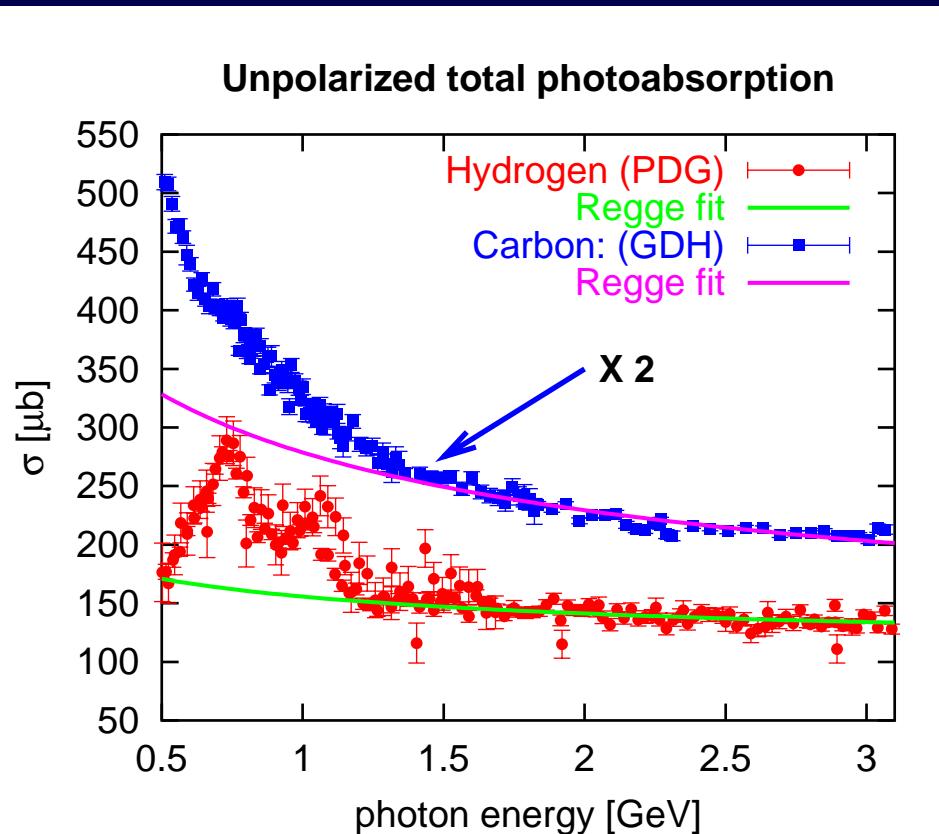
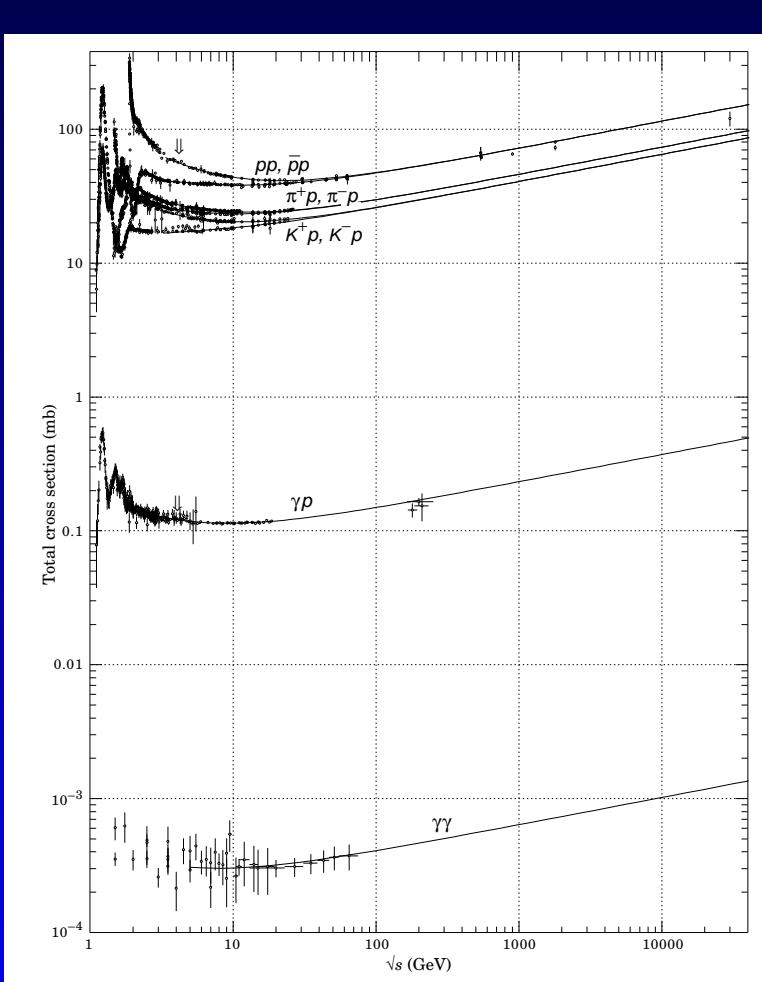


- no structure visible in unpolarized cross section
- clearly visible in separate helicity cross sections

Structure could be generated by  $F_{35}, F_{37}$  resonances.

# Unpolarized high energies

Regge:  $s$  large  $\Rightarrow \sigma_T(s) \simeq c_1 \cdot s^{\alpha_R(0)-1} + c_2 \cdot s^{\alpha_P(0)-1}$   
 $\alpha_R(0) = 0.53$ :  $\rho, \omega$  trajectory;  $\alpha_P(0) = 1.08$ : Pomeron trajectory



Regge fit works down to  
 $\sim 1.2$  GeV!

# Polarized: Regge trajectories

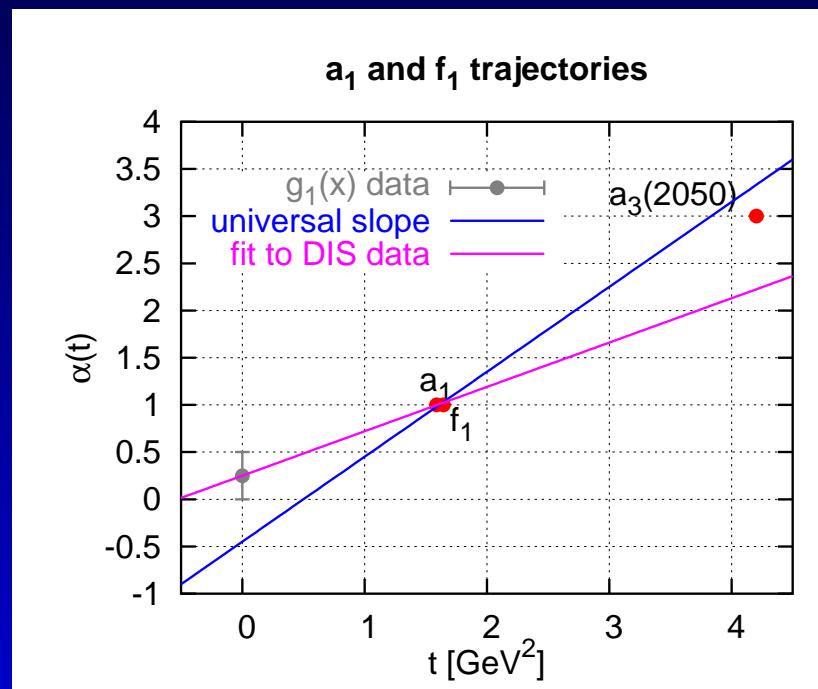
Virtual photons(Bass, Brisudová):

$$\sigma_{3/2} - \sigma_{1/2} = \left[ c_1 s^{\alpha_{a_1}-1} \cdot I + c_2 s^{\alpha_{f_1}-1} + c_3 \frac{\ln s}{s} + \frac{c_4}{\ln^2 s} \right] F(s, Q^2)$$

Real photons:

- Pomeron cuts negligible
- $a_1(1260) : I^{GC} = 1^{-+}$   
 $\Delta\sigma^{p-n} = c_1 s^{\alpha_{a_1}(0)-1}$
- $f_1(1285) : I^{GC} = 0^{++}$   
 $\Delta\sigma^{p+n} = c_2 s^{\alpha_{f_1}(0)-1}$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta\sigma \simeq c_1 s^{\alpha_{a_1}-1} \cdot I + c_2 s^{\alpha_{f_1}-1}$$

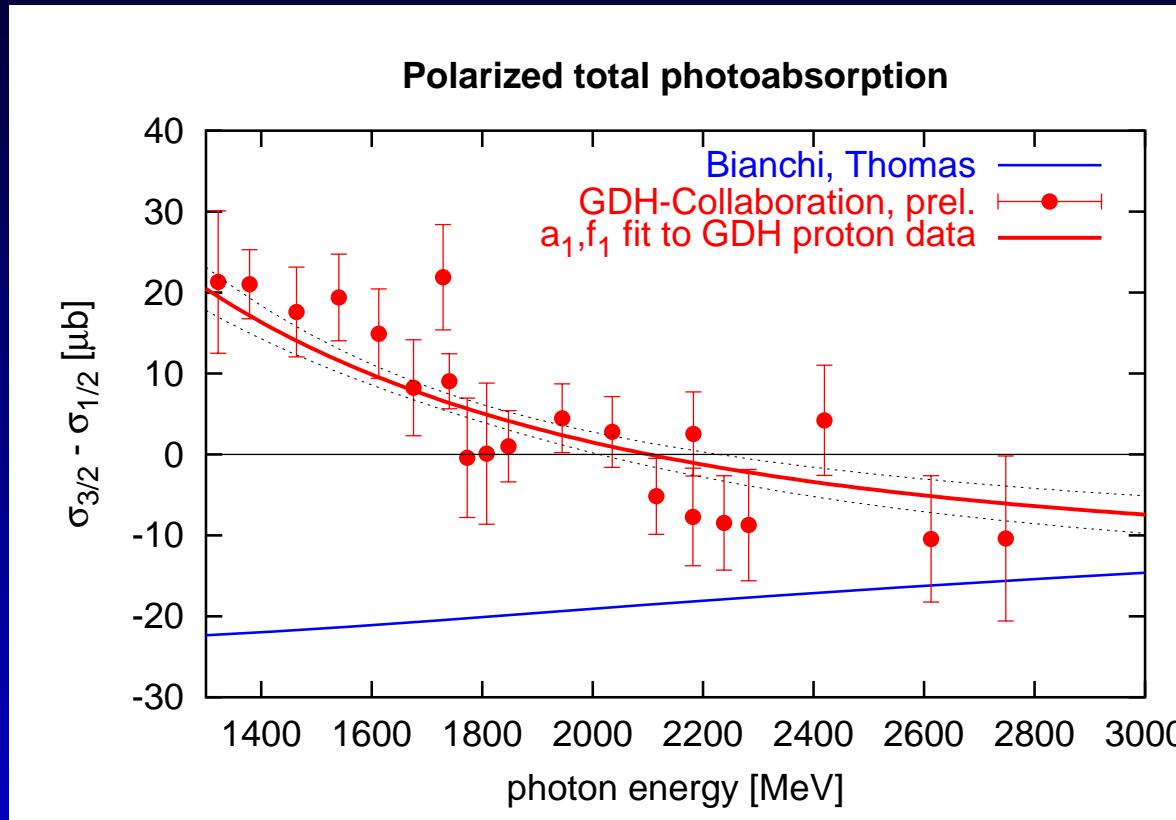


Regge fits to DIS data indicate:  $\alpha_{f_1} \simeq -0.5$  but

$\alpha_{a_1} \simeq +0.2 \pm 0.4$  less precisely determined; +0.2 adopted here.

# Application to polarized data

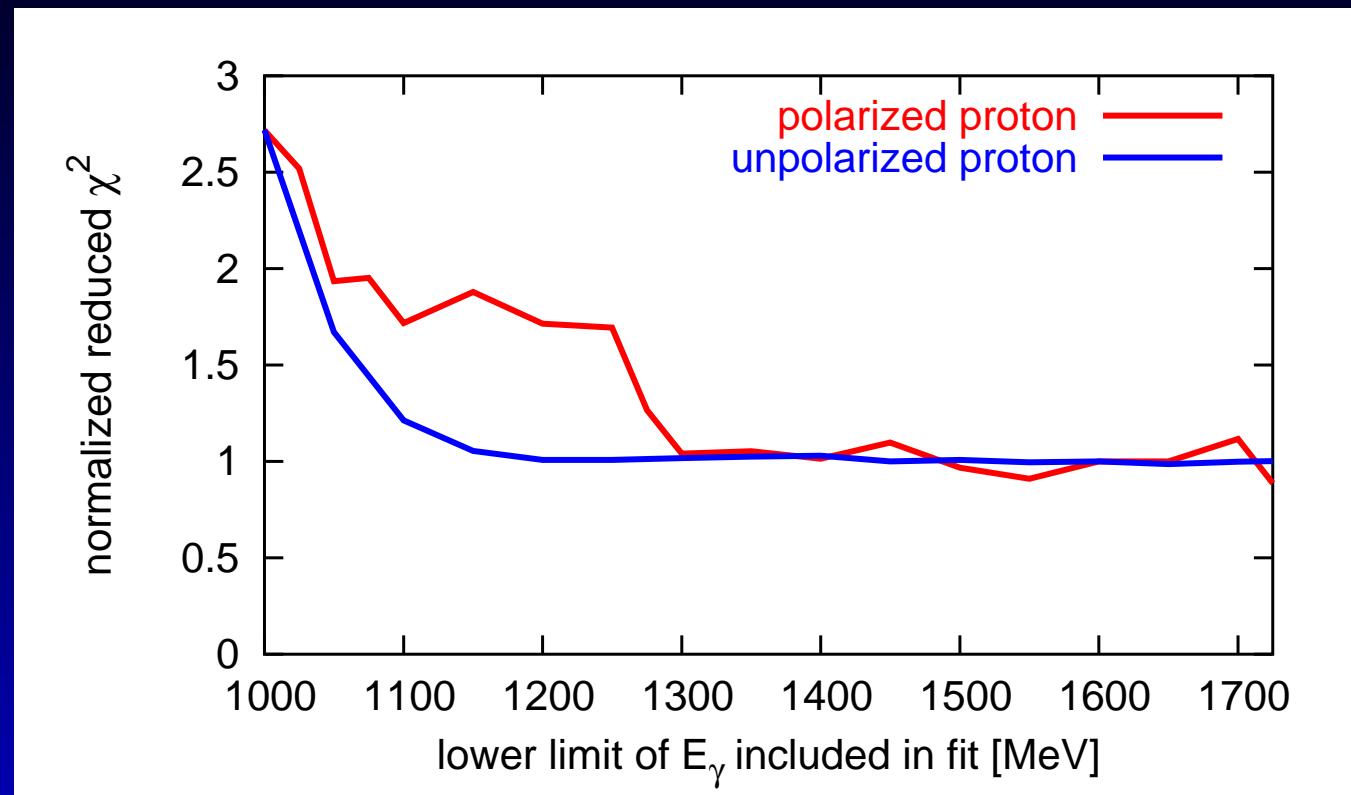
Proton:  $\sigma_{3/2} - \sigma_{1/2} = +c_1(Q^2) s^{\alpha_{a1}-1} + c_2(Q^2) s^{\alpha_{f1}-1}$



Direct fit via  $c_{1,2}(0)$  of real photon data works well  
and indicates sign change!

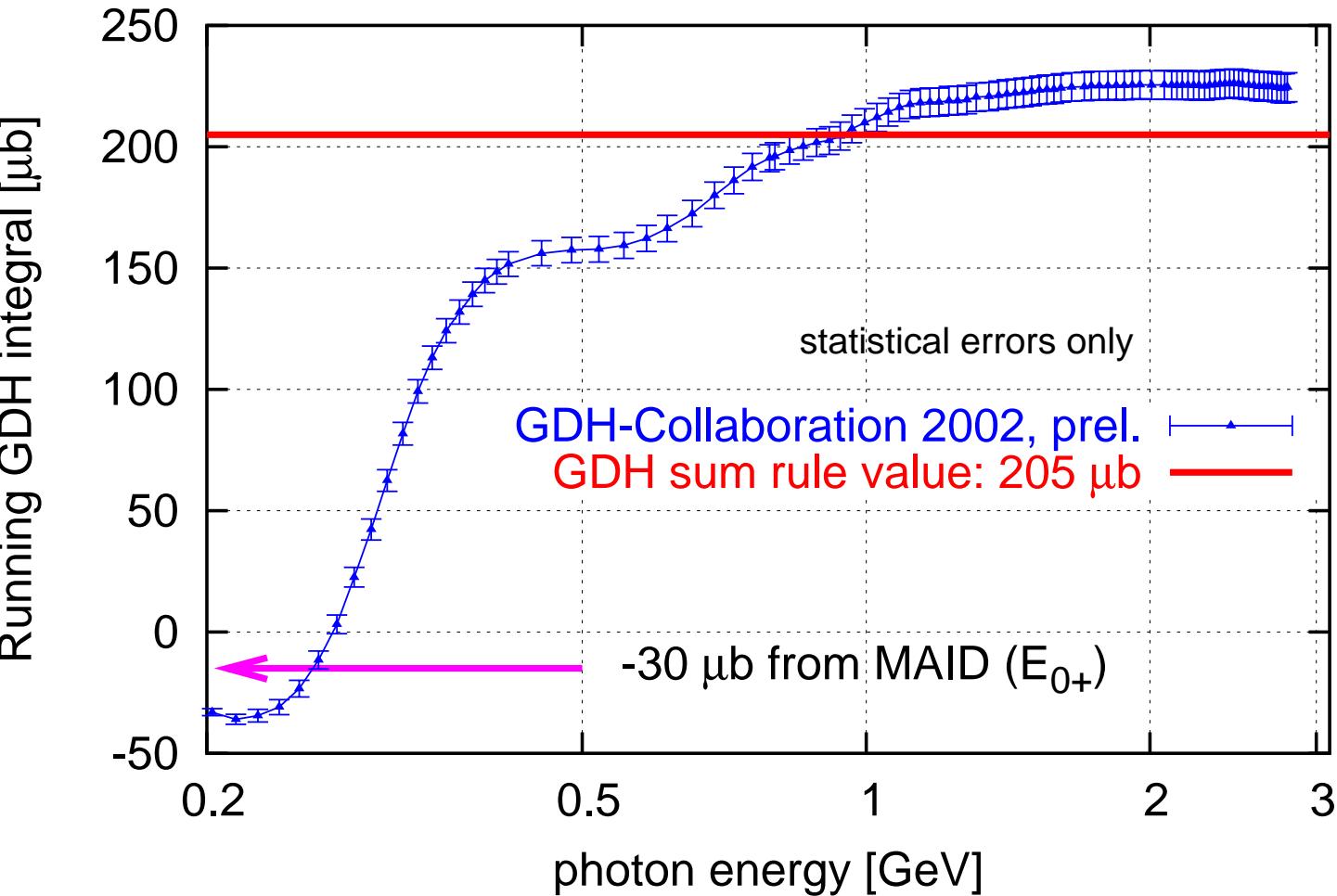
Extrapolation of  $c_{1,2}$  to  $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$  of Regge fits to DIS data fail.

# Are we in the Regge regime?



- Unpolarized: works down to  $\sim 1.2$  GeV
- Polarized: Fit works down to  $\sim 1.3$  GeV
- Another indication for 4th resonance!

# Running GDH integral



The GDH sum up to 2.8 GeV:  $(225 \pm 5_{\text{stat}}) \mu\text{b}$  (prelim.)

Contribution from  $E_\gamma > 3 \text{ GeV}$ :  $-20 \dots -35 \mu\text{b}$   
 $\alpha_{a_1}$  crucial → to be fixed by ELSA neutron data.

# Real photons: outlook

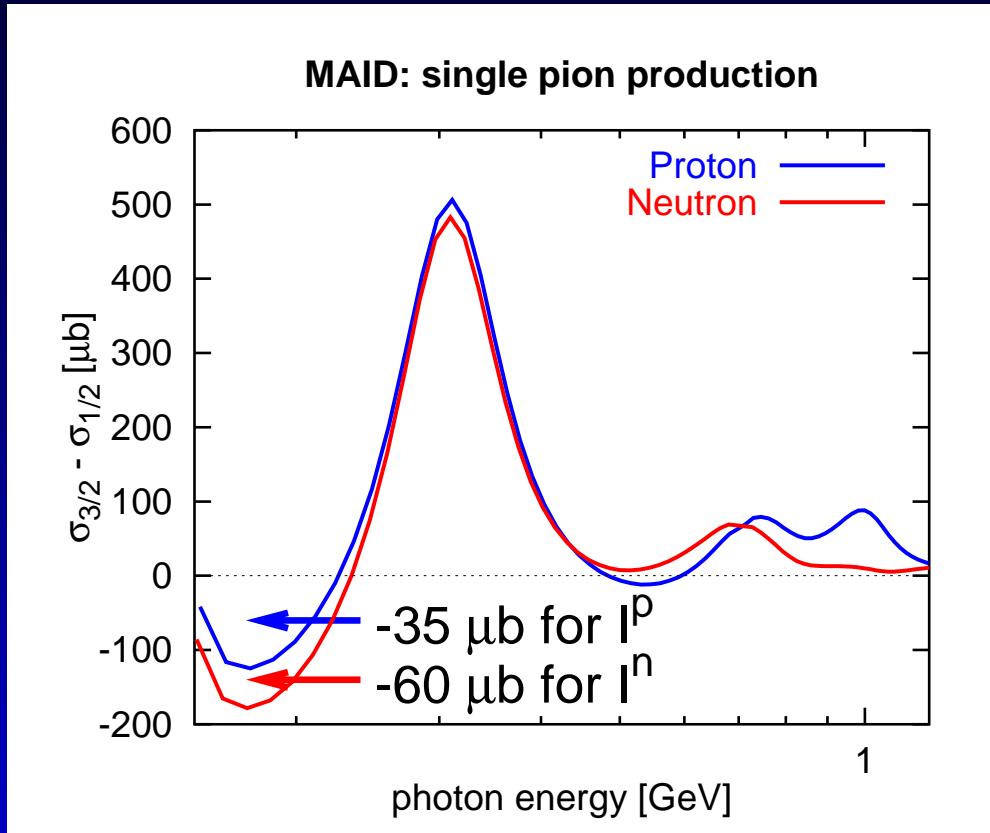
Laser backscattering facilities (more: Thu, A. Sandorfi):

- LEGS:  $E_\gamma < 470 \text{ MeV}$  (first results at tip of  $\Delta$ )  
HD-target tricky → more: Tue, S. Hoblit
  - GRAAL:  $E_\gamma < 550 \text{ MeV}$  (2003)
  - SPRING-8:  $1.8 - 2.8 \text{ GeV}$  (2003/4)  
dynamic pol. of PE-foils
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- ELSA: High statistics data up to  $3 \text{ GeV}$  on tape  
→ refine Regge fit for proton to consolidate extrapolation
- JLAB: Proposal for  $2.5 - 6 \text{ GeV}$  in preparation  
acceptance issues → frozen spin target under development
- SLAC: Approved exp. for  $4 - 40 \text{ GeV}$  (2005)  
dynamic  $\text{NH}_3, \text{ND}_3$  target pol.; calorimeter; untagged coherent  $\gamma$

# Real photons: neutron prospect

SR predictions:  $I_{\text{GDH}}^p = 205 \mu\text{b} \leftrightarrow I_{\text{GDH}}^n = 233 \mu\text{b}$



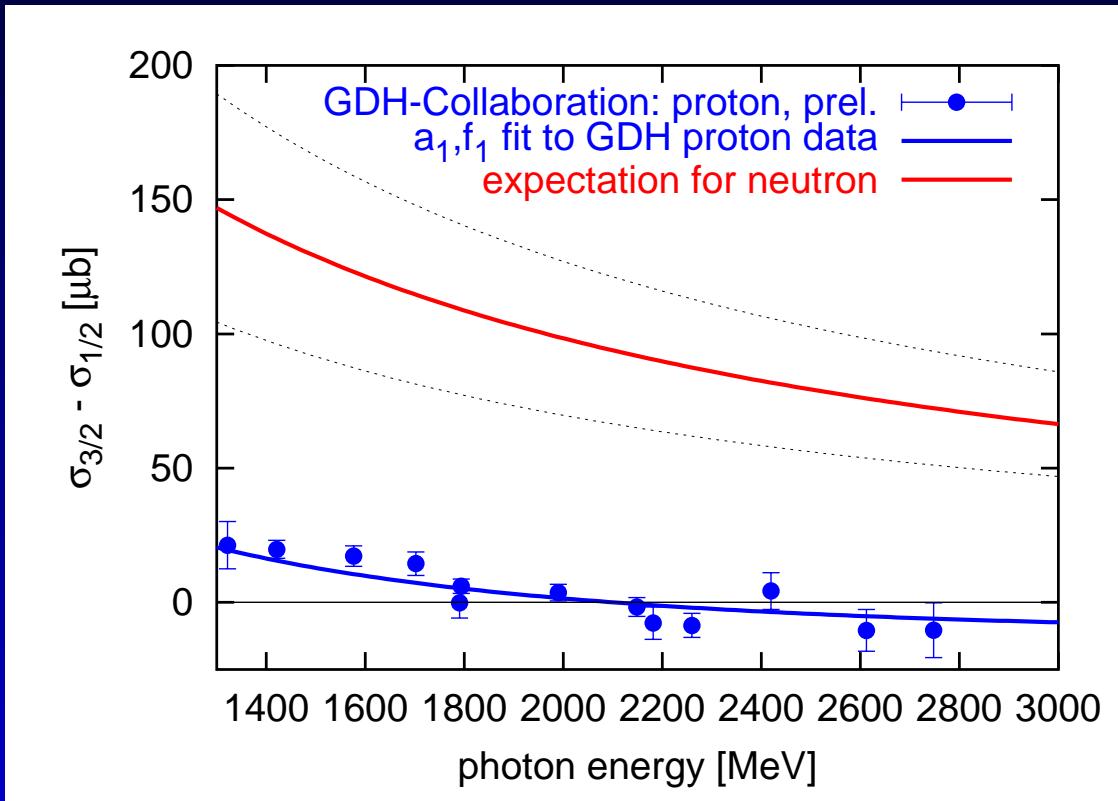
⇒  $\sim 50 \mu\text{b}$  missing for  $I_{\text{GDH}}^n$  up to 500 MeV!

Either large difference for neutron at high energies or something exciting in resonances or isovector GDH Sum Rule fails !

# Neutron: high energies

Regge parameterization:

$$\Delta\sigma^n = -c_1 s^{\alpha_{a_1}-1} + c_2 s^{\alpha_{f_1}-1} \quad (c_1, c_2 \text{ from proton})$$



Data at 1.9 GeV (fix  $\alpha_{a_1}$ ) and 1.2 GeV already on tape!

GDH program at MAMI will be resumed in 2003.

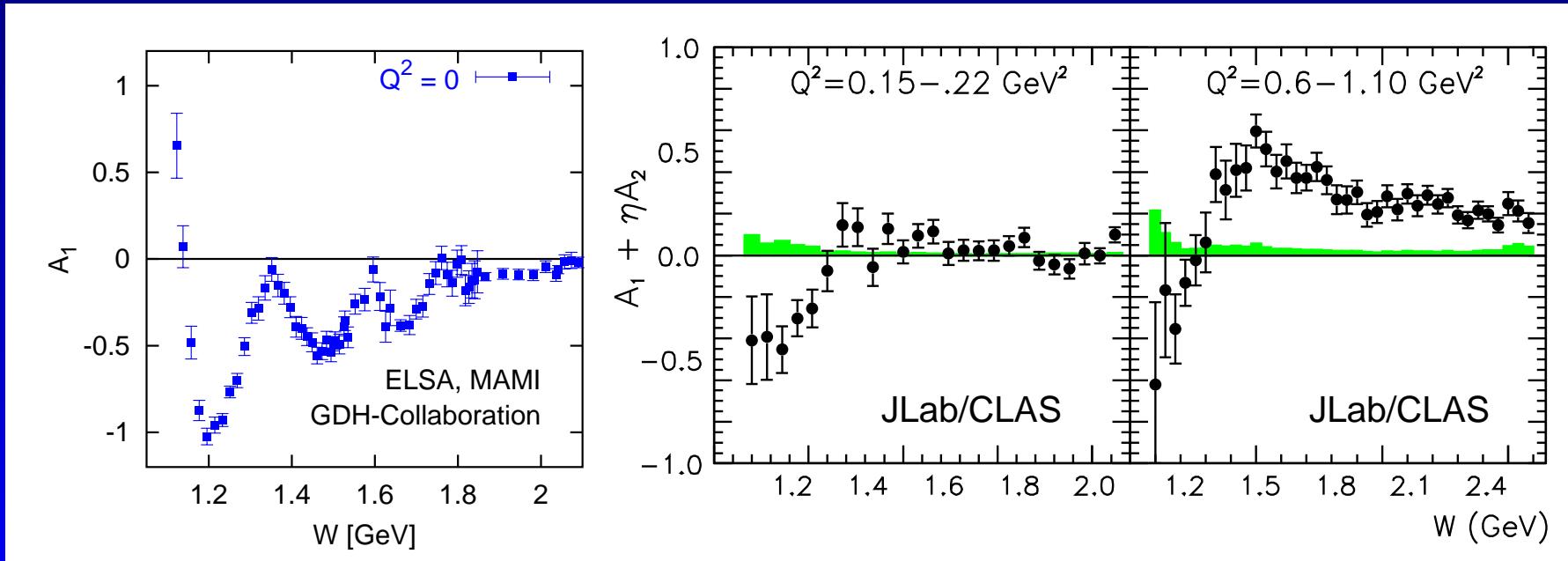
*Stay tuned for further neutron results!*

# Polarized virtual absorption

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE'd\Omega} = \Gamma_\nu \cdot \left[ \sigma_T + \epsilon \sigma_L + P_e P_t \left( \sqrt{1 - \epsilon^2} A_1 \sigma_T \cos \psi + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1 - \epsilon)} A_2 \sigma_T \sin \psi \right) \right]$$

$$A_1 = \frac{\sigma_{1/2} - \sigma_{3/2}}{\sigma_{1/2} + \sigma_{3/2}} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{TT'}}{\sigma_T}, \quad A_2 = \frac{\sigma_{LT'}}{\sigma_T}, \quad \frac{g_1}{F_1} = f_1^{\text{kin}} A_1 + f_2^{\text{kin}} A_2$$

Math in red due to longitudinal pol. component of photon



# Generalization of GDH sum

- Experimentalists favorite:

$$I^{\text{GDH}}(Q^2) = - \int_0^\infty \frac{d\nu}{\nu} \cdot (\sigma_{3/2}(\nu, Q^2) - \sigma_{1/2}(\nu, Q^2))$$

- Theorists favorite: first moment of  $g_1$

$$\Gamma_1(Q^2) = \int_0^1 dx g_1(x, Q^2) = Q^2/2 \int_0^\infty \frac{d\nu}{\nu} G_1(\nu, Q^2)$$

- $Q^2 = 0$ : GDH Sum Rule fixes slope  
 $\Gamma_1/Q^2 = -\kappa^2/8m^2$ , rel. precision  $10^{-6}$
- $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$ : Bjorken Sum Rule  $\rightarrow$  isovector  
 $\Gamma_1^p - \Gamma_1^n = g_A/6$ , rel. precision  $3 \cdot 10^{-3}$
- $0 < Q^2 < \infty$ : *Study transition from hadronic to partonic degrees of freedom!*

# Unified formalism

Virtual Compton forward scattering spin-amplitudes ( $\vec{\gamma}^* N \rightarrow \vec{\gamma}^* N$ ):  
 $S_1(\nu, Q^2), S_2(\nu, Q^2)$ , Low-Theorem:  $S_1(0, 0) = -\kappa^2/m^2$

Ji & Osborne:  $\bar{S}_1(0, Q^2) = 4 \int_{\nu_0}^{\infty} \frac{d\nu}{\nu} G_1(\nu, Q^2)$

- Right hand side *measurable*
- Left hand side *calculable* ... but longitudinal polarization of photon complicates structure  
⇒ **no strict rule to sum!**
  - $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ : QCD - OPE
  - $Q^2 > 0.1 - 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ : Lattice ... one day
  - $Q^2 < 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$ :  $\chi\text{PT}$

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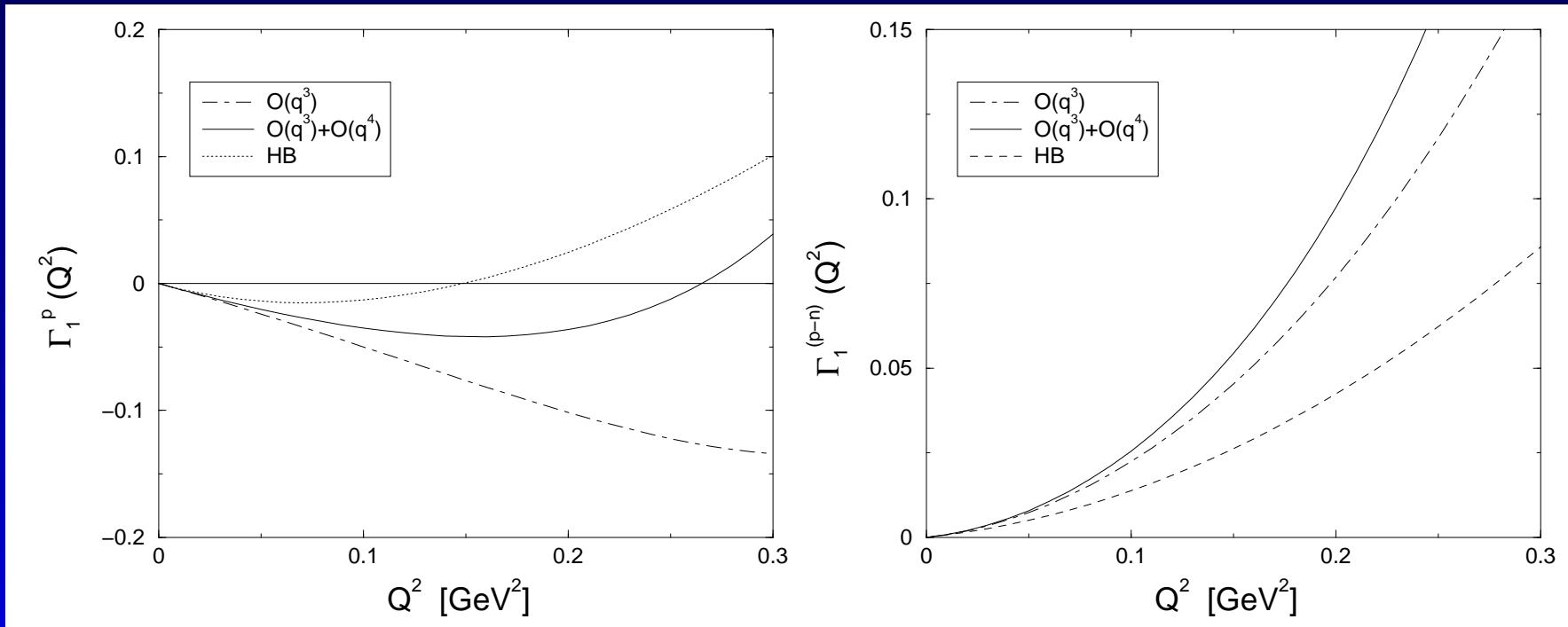
$$\bar{S}_i = S_i - S_i^{\text{el}}; \nu_0 : \text{inelastic threshold}$$

# Status: ChPT

Bernard, Hemmert, Meissner: hep-ph/0203167  
Comparison of 4th to 3rd order calculation and  
“heavy baryon approach” by Ji, Kao, Osborn

# Proton

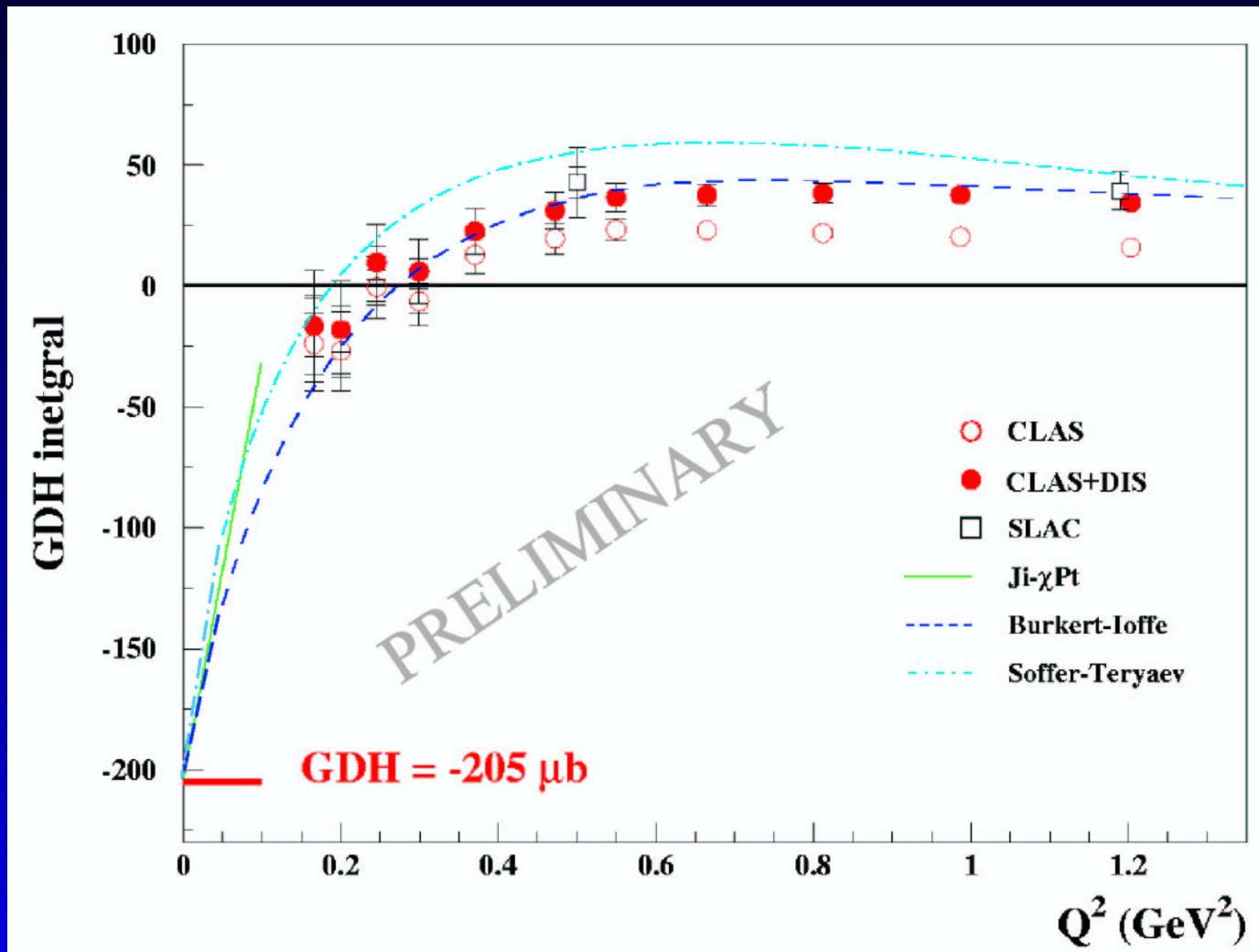
# Isovector



About 30 – 50% uncertainty at  $Q^2 = 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$

# GDH sum: proton

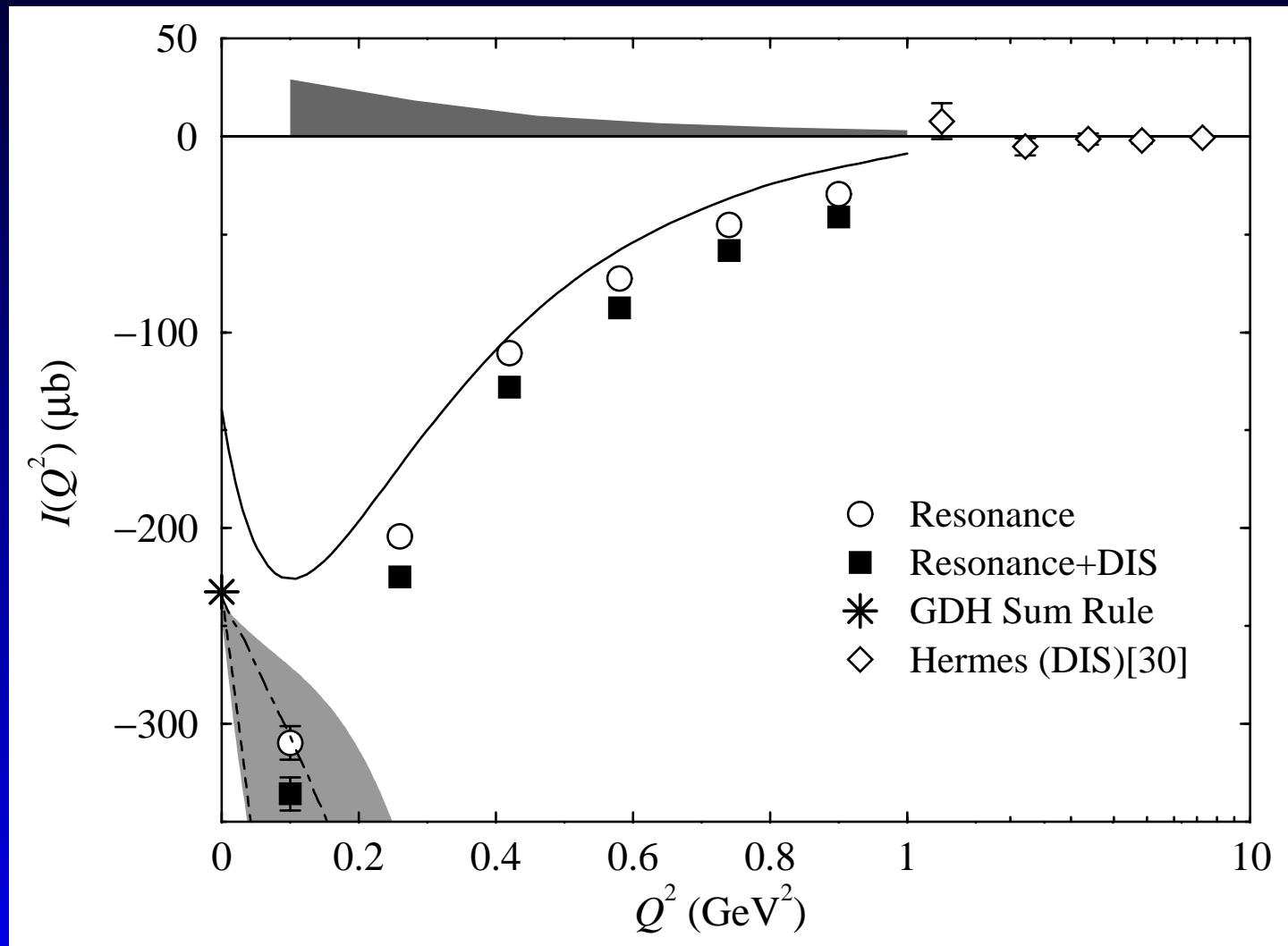
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# GDH sum: Neutron

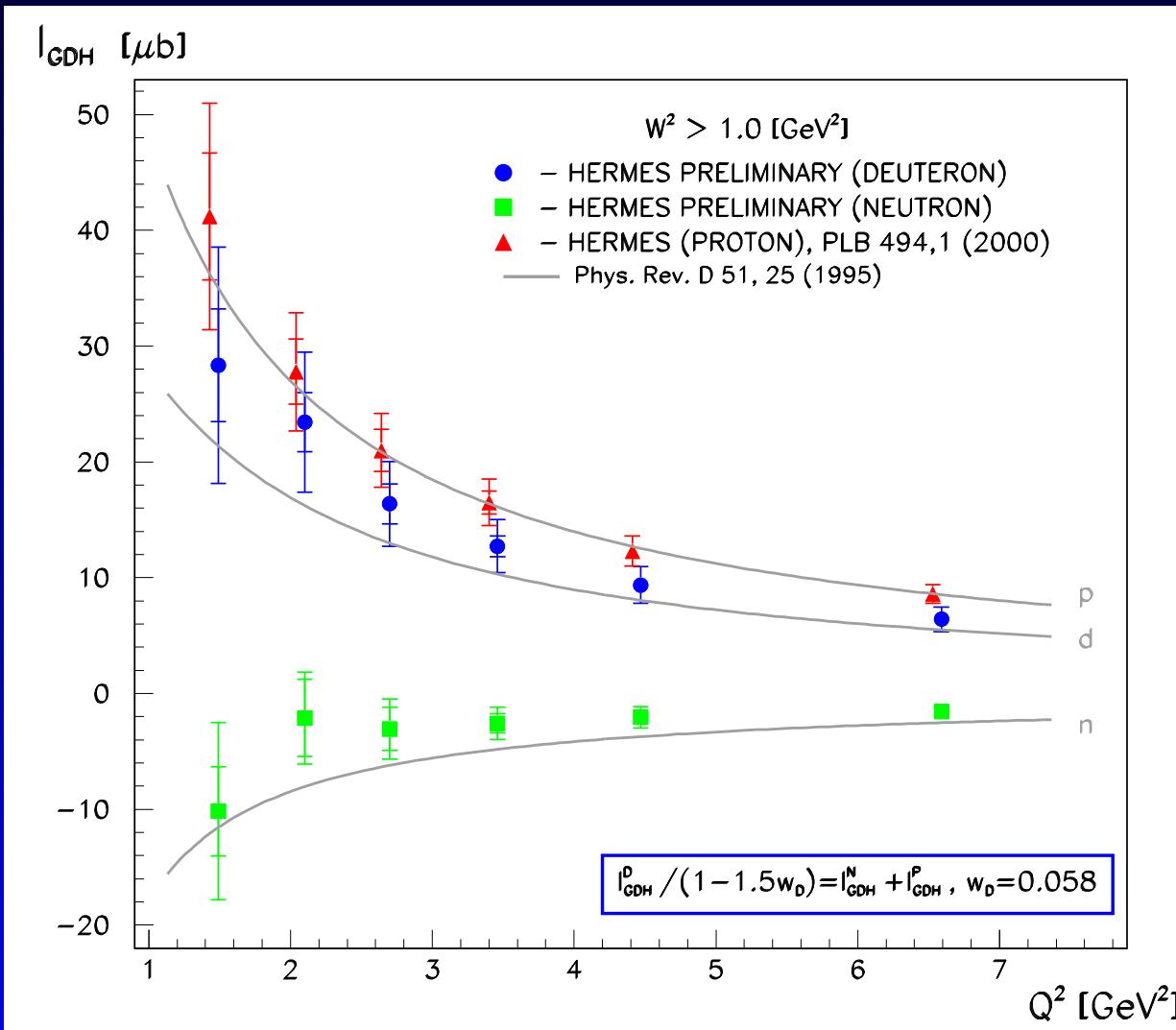
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# GDH sum: QCD region

DESY: HERMES



Consistent with  
 $1/Q^2$  behavior

more this  
afternoon:  
W.-D. Nowak

# Summary

- 1st time verification of GDH Sum Rule for proton performed at ELSA and MAMI at 5% level.
- Negative  $\Delta\sigma$  at  $E_\gamma > 2.5$  GeV improves agreement with SR → to be confirmed with high statistics & neutron data.
- Response of resonances to polarization (except  $\Delta$ ) differs largely from predictions.
- Regge extrapolation from DIS to  $Q^2 = 0$  does not work.
- Indication for high asymmetry for neutron for  $E_\gamma > 1$  GeV.
- Several experiments under way to verify results from ELSA/MAMI; plans for extension up to 40 GeV.
- Formalism for GDH extension to finite  $Q^2$  established.
- Yet no strict predictions available at finite  $Q^2$ .