

Introducing πN transition distribution amplitudes: Spectral representation, symmetries and constraints from chiral dynamics

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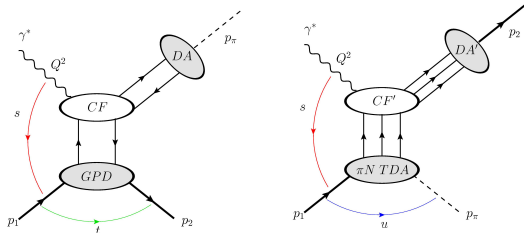
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Introducing TDAs

$$\gamma^*(q) + N(p_1) \rightarrow N'(p_2) + \pi(p_\pi)$$

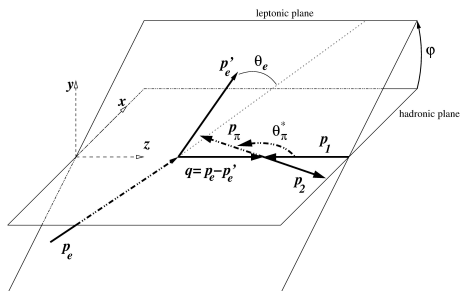
- Factorization theorem **J.Collins, L.Frankfur, M.Strikman'96** \Rightarrow GPD description;
- A factorization theorem claimed for the backward regime ($q^2 = -Q^2$ and $s \equiv (p_1 + q)^2$ - large; $x_{Bj} \equiv \frac{Q^2}{2p_1 \cdot q}$ and $\xi \equiv -\frac{(p_\pi - p_1) \cdot n}{(p_\pi + p_1) \cdot n}$ -fixed; $u \equiv (p_\pi - p_1)^2 \sim 0$

L.Frankfurt, P.Pobylitsa, M.Polyakov and M.Strikman'99; L.Frankfurt, M.Polyakov, M.Strikman, D.Zhalov and M.Zhalov'02



Backward electroproduction of a pion on a proton

- Backward kinematics: $e N \rightarrow e' N' \pi$ in the center-of-mass of the γ^* -proton
 $u = (p_\pi - p_1)^2 \equiv \Delta^2 \sim 0$ ($\cos \theta_\pi^* \sim -1$)



- Cross section of $\gamma^* N \rightarrow N' \pi$ $\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega_\pi^*}$ scales as $\frac{1}{(Q^2)^4}$ (c.f. $\frac{1}{(Q^2)^2}$ for usual HMP)

Twist-3 πN TDA

L.Frankfurt, P.Pobylitsa, M.Polyakov & M.Strikman'99; J.P.Lansberg, B.Pire & L.Szymanowski'07:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 4(P \cdot n)^3 \int \left[\prod_{i=1}^3 \frac{dz_i}{2\pi} e^{ix_i z_i (P \cdot n)} \right] \langle \pi(p_\pi) | \varepsilon_{c_1 c_2 c_3} \Psi_\rho^{c_1}(z_1 n) \Psi_\tau^{c_2}(z_2 n) \Psi_\chi^{c_3}(z_3 n) | N(p_1, s_1) \rangle \\
 &= \delta(2\xi - x_1 - x_2 - x_3) i \frac{f_N}{f_\pi M} \\
 & \times [V_1^{\pi N} (\hat{P}C)_{\rho\tau} (\hat{P}U)_\chi + A_1^{\pi N} (\hat{P}\gamma^5 C)_{\rho\tau} (\gamma^5 \hat{P}U)_\chi + T_1^{\pi N} (\sigma_{P\mu} C)_{\rho\tau} (\gamma^\mu \hat{P}U)_\chi \\
 & + V_2^{\pi N} (\hat{P}C)_{\rho\tau} (\hat{\Delta}U)_\chi + A_2^{\pi N} (\hat{P}\gamma^5 C)_{\rho\tau} (\gamma^5 \hat{\Delta}U)_\chi + T_2^{\pi N} (\sigma_{P\mu} C)_{\rho\tau} (\gamma^\mu \hat{\Delta}U)_\chi \\
 & + \frac{1}{M} T_3^{\pi N} (\sigma_{P\Delta} C)_{\rho\tau} (\hat{P}U)_\chi + \frac{1}{M} T_4^{\pi N} (\sigma_{P\Delta} C)_{\rho\tau} (\hat{\Delta}U)_\chi]
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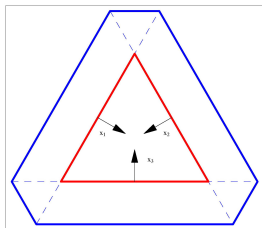
- $P = \frac{1}{2}(p_1 + p_\pi)$; $\Delta = (p_\pi - p_1)$; $n^2 = p^2 = 0$; $2p \cdot n = 1$; $\sigma_{P\mu} \equiv P^\nu \sigma_{\nu\mu}$;
- C : charge conjugation matrix;
- $f_N = 5.2 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ GeV}^2$ (V. Chernyak and A. Zhitnitsky'84);
- 8 TDAs: $H(x_1, x_2, x_3, \xi, \Delta^2, \mu^2) \equiv \{V_i, A_i, T_i\}(x_1, x_2, x_3, \xi, \Delta^2, \mu^2)$

How πN TDAs meet fundamental theoretical requirements:

- 1 support properties
- 2 polynomiality in ξ of the Mellin moments in x_1, x_2, x_3
- 3 QCD evolution
- 4 symmetry properties: $SU(2)$ isospin + permutation symmetry
 \Rightarrow 8 independent πN TDAs to describe all isospin channels
- 5 crossing: πN TDA \leftrightarrow πN GDA
- 6 chiral properties: soft pion theorem

Support properties of πN TDAs

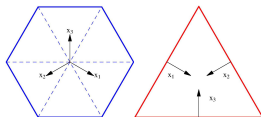
- The natural way to depict physical domains for πN TDAs: Mandelstam plane $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 2\xi$ (barycentric coordinates)



- Intersection of three stripes $-1 + \xi \leq x_i \leq 1 + \xi$
- “ERBL-like” region: $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in [0, 2\xi]$
- “DGLAP-like type I” region: one momentum fraction is positive and two are negative
- “DGLAP-like type II” region: one momentum fraction is negative and two are positive

- DGLAP-like domains are bounded by the lines $x_i = \pm 1 + \xi$; $x_i = 0$

Two limiting cases: $\xi = 0$ and $\xi = 1$.



Polynomiality of the Mellin moments of πN TDAs

- (n_1, n_2, n_3) -th Mellin moments in x_1, x_2, x_3 of πN TDA are the form factors of the local twist three operators

$$\begin{aligned} & \widehat{O}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{n_1} \nu_1 \dots \nu_{n_2} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_{n_3}}(0) \\ &= [i\vec{D}^{\mu_1} \dots i\vec{D}^{\mu_{n_1}} \Psi(0)] [i\vec{D}^{\nu_1} \dots i\vec{D}^{\nu_{n_2}} \Psi(0)] [i\vec{D}^{\lambda_1} \dots i\vec{D}^{\lambda_{n_3}} \Psi(0)] \end{aligned}$$

- Polynomiality is the direct consequence of the Lorentz invariance: (n_1, n_2, n_3) -th Mellin moments of πN TDAs are polynomials of ξ order $N+1$ ($N \equiv n_1 + n_2 + n_3$)
- analogue of the D -term for GPDs (C.Weiss and M.Polyakov'99) exists for $V_{1,2}, A_{1,2}, T_{1,2}$

A note on the evolution

- πN TDAs depend on the renormalization scale μ^2 of operators in their definition (scale at which partons are resolved)
- Generalization of DGLAP equation. Splitting functions are much more complicated: include the pieces different in different kinematical regions (3 types of kinematical regions exist); LO kernels [B.Pire & L. Szymanowski'05](#)
- As in the case of PDFs and GPDs evolution of TDAs can be treated in terms of renormalization of the local operators corresponding to their x moments
- Matrix elements of the local operators in question were extensively studied in connection with scale dependence of nucleon DA e.g. [N. Stefanis'97](#), [V. Braun et al'98](#), [99](#)

Spectral representation for πN TDAs:

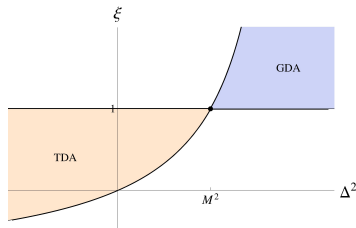
- **O. Teryaev'01**: the relation between DDs and GPDs is a particular case of the Radon transform
- Polynomiality property \Leftrightarrow the Cavalieri conditions
- Support properties of + polynomiality \Leftrightarrow spectral representation + spectral constraints.
- Spectral representation **A. Radyushkin'97** generalized for πN TDAs:

$$\begin{aligned} & H(x_1, x_2, x_3 = 2\xi - x_1 - x_2, \xi) \\ &= \left[\prod_{i=1}^3 \int_{\Omega_i} d\beta_i d\alpha_i \right] \delta(x_1 - \xi - \beta_1 - \alpha_1 \xi) \delta(x_2 - \xi - \beta_2 - \alpha_2 \xi) \\ & \times \delta(\beta_1 + \beta_2 + \beta_3) \delta(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + 1) F(\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3); \end{aligned}$$

- Ω_i : $\{|\beta_i| \leq 1, |\alpha_i| \leq 1 - |\beta_i|\}$ are copies of the usual DD square in spectral parameter space;
- spectral density $F(\dots)$ is the function of six variables that are subject to two constraints \Rightarrow quadruple distributions
- This form ensures polynomiality and support

Crossing πN TDA \leftrightarrow πN GDA and soft pion theorem

- Crossing relates πN TDAs in $\gamma^* N \rightarrow \pi N'$ and πN GDAs (light-cone wave function)
- Physical domain in (Δ^2, ξ) -plane (defined by $\Delta_T^2 \leq 0$) in the chiral limit ($m = 0$):



- Soft pion theorem **Pobylitsa, Polyakov and Strikman'01** ($Q^2 \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^3/m$) constrains πN GDA at the threshold $\xi = 1, \Delta^2 = M^2$.

Soft pion theorem for πN GDA

- Soft pion theorem **Pobylitsa, Polyakov and Strikman'01** ($Q^2 \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^3/m$):

$$\langle 0 | \widehat{O}_{\rho\tau\chi}^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(z_1, z_2, z_3) | \pi_a N_L \rangle = -\frac{i}{f_\pi} \langle 0 | \left[\widehat{Q}_5^a, \widehat{O}_{\rho\tau\chi}^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(z_1, z_2, z_3) \right] | N_L \rangle,$$

$$\text{with } \left[\widehat{Q}_5^a, \Psi_\eta^\alpha \right] = -\frac{1}{2} (\sigma_a)^\alpha_\delta \gamma_{\eta\tau}^5 \Psi_\tau^\delta;$$

- At the pion threshold ($\xi = 1$, $\Delta^2 = M^2$ in the chiral limit) soft pion theorem fixes πN TDAs/GDAs in terms of nucleon DAs V^p , A^p , T^p (see **V. Braun, D. Ivanov, A. Lenz, A. Peters'08**).
- E.g. soft pion theorem for uud proton to π^0 TDAs:

$$\{V_1^{p\pi^0}, A_1^{p\pi^0}\}(x_1, x_2, x_3, \xi = 1, \Delta^2 = M^2) = -\frac{1}{8} \{V^p, A^p\}\left(\frac{x_1}{2}, \frac{x_2}{2}, \frac{x_3}{2}\right);$$

$$T_1^{p\pi^0}(x_1, x_2, x_3, \xi = 1, \Delta^2 = M^2) = \frac{3}{8} T^p\left(\frac{x_1}{2}, \frac{x_2}{2}, \frac{x_3}{2}\right)$$

$$\{V_2^{p\pi^0}, A_2^{p\pi^0}, T_2^{p\pi^0}\} = -\frac{1}{2} \{V_1^{p\pi^0}, A_1^{p\pi^0}, T_1^{p\pi^0}\} \quad T_{3,4}^{p\pi^0} = 0;$$

- C.f. soft pion theorems for isoscalar and isovector pion GPDs:

$$H^{I=0}(x, \xi = 1) = 0; \quad H^{I=1}(x, \xi = 1) = \phi_\pi(x)$$

Realistic strategy for modelling πN TDAs

- No enlightening $\xi = 0$ limit as for GPDs
- In the limit $\xi \rightarrow 1$ πN TDAs are fixed due to soft pion theorems in terms of nucleon DAs
- $\xi \rightarrow 1$ limit allows to fix the overall magnitude
- try to start from $\xi = 1$ limit rather than the forward limit $\xi = 0$

“Skewing” $\xi = 1$ limit for pion isovector GPD (toy exercise)

Let us try to use input at $\xi = 1$ rather than $\xi = 0$ for GPD modeling.

- let us perform the change of variables in the DD representation for GPDs:
 $\alpha = \frac{\kappa + \theta}{2}$, $\beta = \frac{\kappa - \theta}{2}$ This gives:

$$H(x, \xi) = \int_{-1}^1 d\kappa \int_{-1}^1 d\theta \delta\left(x + \frac{1-\xi}{2}\theta - \frac{1+\xi}{2}\kappa\right) \frac{1}{2} F(\kappa, \theta),$$

where $F(\kappa, \theta) \equiv f\left(\frac{\kappa - \theta}{2}, \frac{\kappa + \theta}{2}\right)$

- try the following factorized Ansatz:

$$F(\kappa, \theta) = \phi_\pi(\kappa)h(\theta)$$

with the profile $h(\theta)$ normalized according to $\int_{-1}^1 d\theta h(\theta) = 1$.

- Then $H(x, \xi = 1) = \phi_\pi(x)$
- Problem is to implement the so-called “Munich symmetry” $f(\beta, \alpha) = f(\beta, -\alpha)$.
But e.g. $h(\theta) = \phi_\pi(\theta)$: ok.

“Skewing” $\xi = 1$ limit for πN TDAs

After suitable change of spectral variables ($\kappa = \alpha_3 + \beta_3$, $\theta = \frac{\alpha_1 + \beta_1 - \alpha_2 - \beta_2}{2}$, $\mu = \alpha_3 - \beta_3$, $\lambda = \frac{\alpha_1 - \beta_1 - \alpha_2 + \beta_2}{2}$) and introduction of “quark-diquark” coordinates $w = x_3 - \xi$; $v = \frac{x_1 - x_2}{2}$:

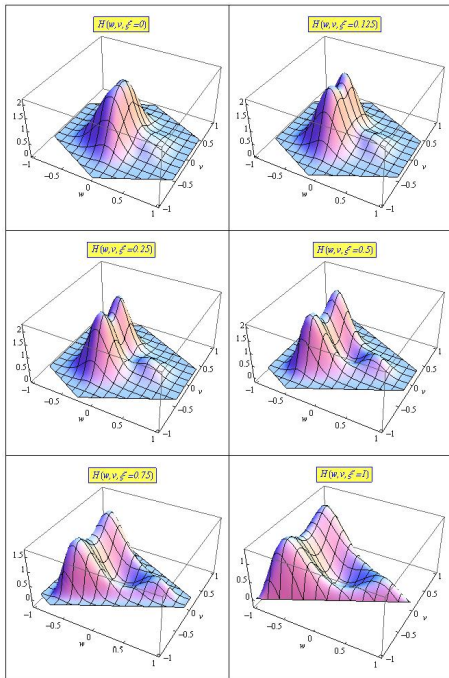
$$H(w, v, \xi) = \int_{-1}^1 d\kappa \int_{-\frac{1-\kappa}{2}}^{\frac{1-\kappa}{2}} d\theta \int_{-1}^1 d\mu_i \int_{-\frac{1-\mu}{2}}^{\frac{1-\mu}{2}} d\lambda \delta(w - \frac{\kappa - \mu}{2}(1 - \xi) - \kappa\xi) \\ \times \delta\left(v - \frac{\theta - \lambda}{2}(1 - \xi) - \theta\xi\right) F(\kappa, \theta, \mu, \lambda)$$

- A factorized Ansatz for quadruple distribution F_i :

$$F(\kappa, \theta, \mu, \lambda) = V(\kappa, \theta) h(\mu, \lambda)$$

with the profile $h(\mu, \lambda)$ normalized as $\int d\mu \int d\lambda h(\mu, \lambda) = 1$.

- Since $H(w, v, \xi = 1) = V(w, v)$ for V one may use input from the soft pion theorem
- A possible choice for the profile: $h(\mu, \lambda) = \frac{15}{16} (1 + \mu)((1 - \mu)^2 - 4\lambda^2)$; vanishes at the borders of the definition domain.

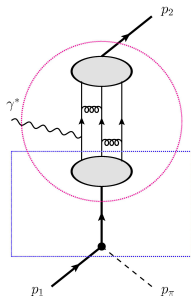


Nucleon pole contribution

- u -channel nucleon exchange is complementary to the spectral representation (D -term like contributions) non-zero in the ERBL-like region $0 \leq x_i \leq 2\xi$.

- The effective Hamiltonian for $\pi \bar{N} N$:

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = ig_{\pi NN} \bar{N}_\alpha (\sigma_a)^\alpha_\beta \gamma_5 N^\beta \pi_a$$



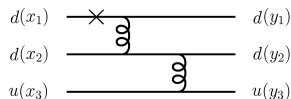
$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \pi_a(p_\pi) | \hat{O}_{\rho\tau\chi}^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(\lambda_1 n, \lambda_2 n, \lambda_3 n) | N_\nu(p_1, s_1) \rangle \\ &= \sum_{s_p} \langle 0 | \hat{O}_{\rho\tau\chi}^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(\lambda_1 n, \lambda_2 n, \lambda_3 n) | N_\kappa(-\Delta, s_p) \rangle (\sigma_a)^\kappa_\nu \frac{ig_{\pi NN} \bar{U}_\rho(-\Delta, s_p)}{\Delta^2 - M^2} (\gamma^5 U(p_1, s_1))_\rho. \end{aligned}$$

- After decomposition over the Dirac structures:

$$\begin{aligned} & \{V_1, A_1, T_1\}^{(\pi N)}(x_1, x_2, x_3) \\ &= \Theta_{\text{ERBL}}(x_1, x_2, x_3) \times \frac{M f_\pi g_{\pi NN}}{\Delta^2 - M^2} \frac{1}{(2\xi)} \{V^p, A^p, T^p\} \left(\frac{x_1}{2\xi}, \frac{x_2}{2\xi}, \frac{x_3}{2\xi} \right); \end{aligned}$$

Calculation of the amplitude

- LO amplitude for $\gamma^* p \rightarrow n \pi^+$ can be computed as in J.P. Lansberg, B. Pire and L. Szymanowski'07
- 21 diagrams contribute



$$\mathcal{M} \sim \int_{-1+\xi}^{1+\xi} d^3x \delta(x_1 + x_2 + x_3 - 2\xi) \int_{-1}^1 d^3y \delta(1 - y_1 - y_2 - y_3) \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^{21} T_{\alpha} \right)$$

Each T_{α} , has the structure:

$$T_{\alpha} \sim K_{\alpha}(x_1, x_2, x_3) \times Q_{\alpha}(y_1, y_2, y_3) \times$$

[combination of πN TDAs] \times [combination of nucleon DAs]

$$T_1 = \frac{q^d (2\xi)^2 [(V_1^{n\pi^+} - A_1^{n\pi^+})(V^P - A^P) + 4T_1^{n\pi^+} T^P + 2\frac{\Delta_T^2}{M^2} T_4^{n\pi^+} T^P]}{(2\xi - x_1 - i\epsilon)^2 (x_3 - i\epsilon) (1 - y_1)^2 y_3}$$

Classification of convolution kernels

- Switch to quark-diquark coordinates
- The following types of convolution kernels occur:

$$K_I^{(\pm, \pm)}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \frac{1}{(w \pm \xi \mp i\epsilon)} \frac{1}{(v \pm \xi' \mp i\epsilon)}$$

$$K_{II}^{(-, \pm)}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \frac{1}{(w - \xi + i\epsilon)^2} \frac{1}{(v \pm \xi' \mp i\epsilon)}$$

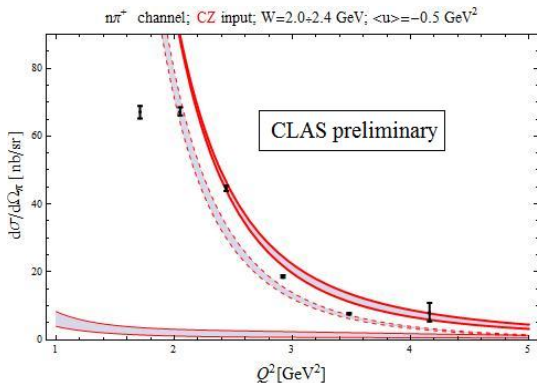
Strategy for the calculation of the P.V. integral

- 1 Insert the spectral representation for TDA
- 2 Interchange the order of integration and compute w and v integrals using the two delta functions.
- 3 One is left with four integrations over spectral parameters. Two of these integrations are to be performed with the principal value prescription.
- 4 After a suitable change of variables one may perform the two principle value integrations analytically.
- 5 The double integration over the remaining two spectral parameters has to be performed numerically.

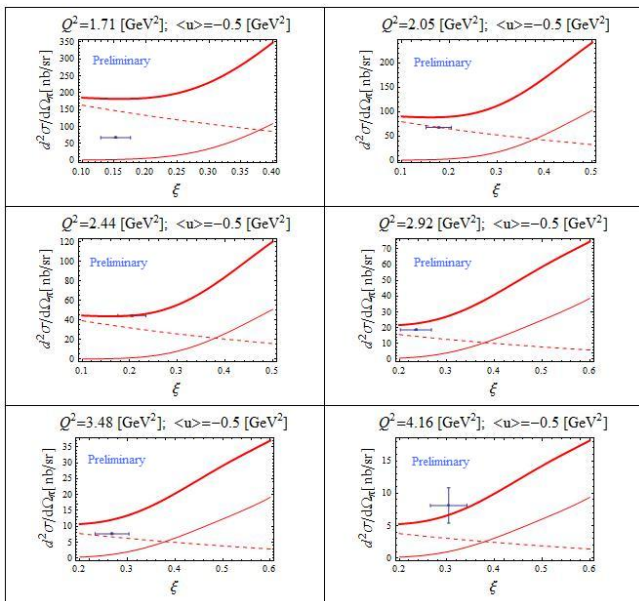
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Table: Determination of kinematic bin

variable	unit	num. bin	range	bin size
W	GeV	1	> 2.0	0.4
Q^2	GeV ²	5	$1.6 \sim 4.5$	various
$ \Delta_T^2 $	GeV ²	1	< 0.5	0.5



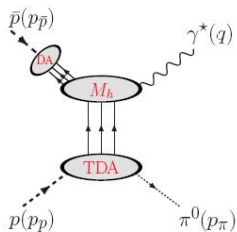
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Ideas for PANDA

- J.P. Lansberg, B. Pire, L. Szymanowski'07: πN TDAs arise in the factorized description of

$$N(p_1) + \bar{N}(p_2) \rightarrow \gamma^*(q) + \pi(p_\pi) \rightarrow l^+(k_1) + l^-(k_2) + \pi(p_\pi)$$



- $W^2 = (p_1 + p_2)^2$ and $q^2 = Q^2$ - large; $(p_1 - p_\pi)^2$ -small ($\theta_\pi \sim 0$ in C.M.S: near forward kinematics)
- Test of universality of TDAs

Conclusions & Outlook

- 1 hard exclusive electroproduction of baryons off nucleons provide new information about correlation of partons inside hadrons
- 2 experimental information on πN TDAs can be extracted from $\gamma^* N \rightarrow N' \pi$ in the kinematical conditions of Jlab already at 6 GeV; more is expected at 12 GeV.
- 3 $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi l^+ l^-$ in PANDA. Check universality of TDAs
- 4 spectral representation for πN TDA based on quadruple distributions which satisfies the polynomiality condition and respects the support properties is proposed
- 5 factorized Ansatz for quadruple distributions with input at $\xi = 1$ is proposed
- 6 a reliable method for the calculation of real and imaginary parts of $\gamma^* N \rightarrow N' \pi$ amplitude employing factorized Ansatz for quadruple distributions is proposed.
- 7 $\gamma^* N \rightarrow N' \pi$ cross-section computed to confront the available preliminary CLAS data
- 8 backward electroproduction of η . Data exists: [V.Kubarovsky et al.](#)