Azimuthal asymmetries in pion pair production in UPCs and e⁺e⁻ collisions

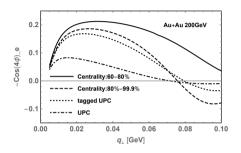
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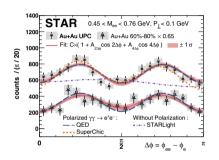
Linearly polarized photon in UPCs verified by STAR collaboration

Azimuthal asymmetries in $\gamma\gamma \to e^+e^-$



C. Li, J. Zhou and YZ, 2020

	Measured $ A_4 $	QED calculation A_4
Tagged UPC	16.8%±2.5%	-16.5%
60%-80%	27%±6%	-34.5%



STAR collaboration, PRL127, 052302 (2021)

VERIFIED!

Linearly polarized photon

relativistically moving charged particles will introduce electromagnetic field the photons are linearly polarized due to their transverse momentum



gluon/photon TMD factorization:

$$\int \frac{2 dy^- d^2 y_\perp}{x P^+ (2\pi)^3} e^{ik \cdot y} \langle P | F_+^\mu (0) F_+^\nu (y) | P \rangle \Big|_{y^+ = 0} = \delta_\perp^{\mu\nu} f_1(x, k_\perp^2) + \left(\frac{2 k_\perp^\mu k_\perp^\nu}{k_\perp^2} - \delta_\perp^{\mu\nu} \right) h_1^\perp(x, k_\perp^2),$$

Mulders, Rodrigues, PRD63(2001)

 $f_1(x, k_{\perp}^2) = h_1^{\perp}(x, k_{\perp}^2)$, small-x gluons/photons are highly linearly polarized

A. Metz and J. Zhou, 2011, C. Li, J. Zhou and YZ, 2019

Photon distribution

• induced by a large nucleus

$$xf_1^{\gamma}(x,k_{\perp}^2) = \frac{Z^2\alpha_e}{\pi^2}k_{\perp}^2 \left[\frac{F(k_{\perp}^2+x^2M_p^2)}{(k_{\perp}^2+x^2M_p^2)}\right]^2, \quad F(\vec{k}^2) = \int d^3r e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}} \frac{\rho^0}{1+\exp\left[(r-R_{WS})/d\right]}$$

with $F(\vec{k}^2)$ being the Woods-Saxon form factor.

 $h_1^{\perp} = f_1$ at small x, e.g., at RHIC Au-Au 200 GeV, LHC Pb-Pb 5020 GeV

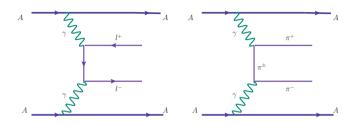
• induced by a point-like particle, e.g., electron

$$xf(x, k_{\perp}^{2}) = \frac{\alpha_{e}}{2\pi^{2}}(1 + (1 - x)^{2})\frac{k_{\perp}^{2}}{(k_{\perp}^{2} + x^{2}m_{e}^{2})^{2}}, \quad xh_{1}^{\perp}(x, k_{\perp}^{2}) = \frac{\alpha_{e}}{\pi^{2}}(1 - x)\frac{k_{\perp}^{2}}{(k_{\perp}^{2} + x^{2}m_{e}^{2})^{2}}$$

 $\mathbf{h}_1^{\perp} \neq \mathbf{f}_1$, not small x, e.g., 10.579 GeV@Belle, 3.770 GeV@BES



$\pi^+\pi^-$ production in UPCs

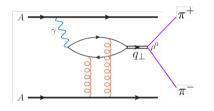


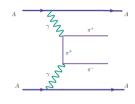
similar to l⁺l⁻ production process but more complicated. Motivations:

- the first attempt to study the azimuthal asymmetry in heavy composite particles
- studying the loop effect in chiral perturbation theory
- may shed light on Light-By-Light (LBL) scattering process mediated by the pion loop

Research on azimuthal asymmetries of $\pi\pi$ production in UPCs

- ① $\rho^0 \to \pi\pi$, ρ^0 produced by photo-nucleus interaction;
- ② direction production, $\gamma\gamma \to \pi\pi$.





Examples:

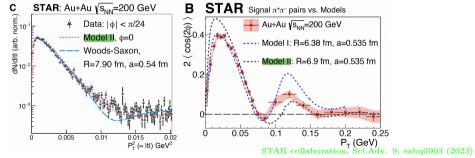
- $\cos(2\phi)$ in $\rho^0 \to \pi\pi$ photoproduction [H.X. Xing, C. Zhang, J. Zhou and YZ, JHEP10(2020)064]
- $\cos(4\phi)$ in $\rho^0 \to \pi\pi$ photoproduction [Y. Hagiwara, C. Zhang, J. Zhou and YZ, PRD104, 094021 (2021)]
- $\cos(\phi)$ and $\cos(3\phi)$, $\rho^0 \to \pi\pi$ and $\gamma\gamma \to \pi\pi$ interference [Y. Hagiwara, C. Zhang, J. Zhou and YZ, PRD103, 074013 (2021)]



• $\cos(2\phi)$ azimuthal asymmetry in $\rho^0 \to \pi\pi$ photoproduction,

$$\begin{split} &\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\rho\to\pi\pi}}{\mathrm{d}^2p_{1\perp}\mathrm{d}^2p_{2\perp}\mathrm{d}y_1\mathrm{d}y_2\mathrm{d}^2\hat{b}_\perp} = \frac{1}{2(2\pi)^7} \frac{P_1^2}{(Q^2-M_\rho^2)^2+M_\rho^2\Gamma_\rho^2} f_\rho^2 f_\rho^2 f_\rho^2 \int \mathrm{d}^2\Delta_\perp \mathrm{d}^2k_\perp \mathrm{d}^2k_\perp \delta^2(k_\perp + \Delta_\perp - q_\perp)(\hat{P}_\perp \cdot \hat{k}_\perp)(\hat{P}_\perp \cdot \hat{k}_\perp) \\ &\times \left\{ \int \! \mathrm{d}^2b_\perp \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\hat{b}_\perp\cdot(k_\perp'-k_\perp)} \left[T_A(b_\perp)\mathcal{R}_{\mathrm{in}}(x_2,\Delta_\perp)\mathcal{R}_{\mathrm{in}}^*(x_2,\Delta_\perp')\mathcal{F}(x_1,k_\perp)\mathcal{F}(x_1,k_\perp') + (A\leftrightarrow B) \right] \right. \\ &\left. + \left[\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\hat{b}_\perp\cdot(k_\perp'-k_\perp)}\mathcal{R}_{\mathrm{co}}(x_2,\Delta_\perp)\mathcal{R}_{\mathrm{co}}^*(x_2,\Delta_\perp')\mathcal{F}(x_1,k_\perp)\mathcal{F}(x_1,k_\perp') \right] \left[\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\hat{b}_\perp\cdot(\Delta_\perp'-k_\perp)}\mathcal{R}_{\mathrm{co}}(x_2,\Delta_\perp)\mathcal{R}_{\mathrm{co}}^*(x_1,k_\perp)\mathcal{F}(x_2,k_\perp') \right] + \ldots \right\} \end{split} \tag{1}$$

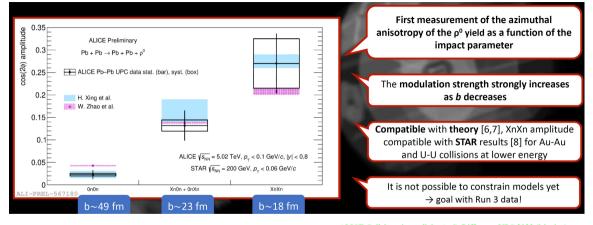
consistent with STAR:



Model II: H.X. Xing, C. Zhang, J. Zhou and YZ, JHEP10(2020)064

Fermi-scale interference effect, linearly polarized photon

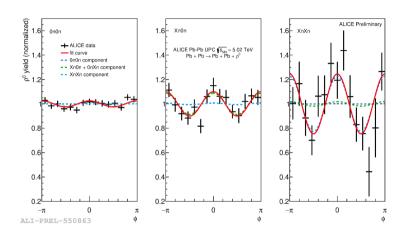
The prediction for the impact parameter dependence is verified by ALICE



ALICE Collaboration, talk by A. G. Riffero on UPC 2023 (Mexico)

- Hongxi Xing, Cheng Zhang, Jian Zhou, Ya-Jin Zhou JHEP 10 (2020) 064
- Heikki Mäntysaari, Farid Salazar, Björn Schenke, Chun Shen, Wenbin Zhao Phys.Rev.C 109 (2024) 2, 024908

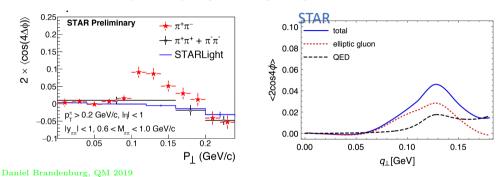
ALICE data



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• $\cos(4\phi)$ azimuthal asymmetry in $\rho^0 \to \pi\pi$ photoproduction



elliptic gluon Wigner distribution is important to describe the STAR data

- $\cos(\phi)$ and $\cos(3\phi)$ azimuthal asymmetry, interference between $\rho^0 \to \pi\pi$ photoproduction and $\gamma\gamma \to \pi\pi$
 - $\rho^0 \to \pi\pi$, QCD

Breit-Wigner distribution, $\mathcal{M}_{\rho \to \pi^+\pi^-} = \mathcal{M}_{\rho} f_{\rho\pi\pi} \frac{P_{\perp} \cdot \epsilon_{\perp}^{V}}{Q^2 - M_{\rho}^2 + iM_{\rho}\Gamma_{\rho}}$ $\frac{d\sigma_{\rho \to \pi\pi}}{d^2 p_{\perp \perp} d^2 p_{2\perp} dy_{\perp} dy_{2} d^2 \tilde{b}_{\perp}} = \frac{1}{2(2\pi)^7} \frac{P_{\perp}^2}{(Q^2 - M_{\sigma}^2)^2 + M_{\sigma}^2 \Gamma_{\sigma}^2} f_{\rho\pi\pi}^2 \int d^2 \Delta_{\perp} d^2 k_{\perp} d^2 k_{\perp}^{\prime} \delta^2 (k_{\perp} + \Delta_{\perp} - q_{\perp}) (\hat{P}_{\perp} \cdot \hat{k}_{\perp}) (\hat{P}_{\perp} \cdot \hat{k}_{\perp}^{\prime}) \cdots$

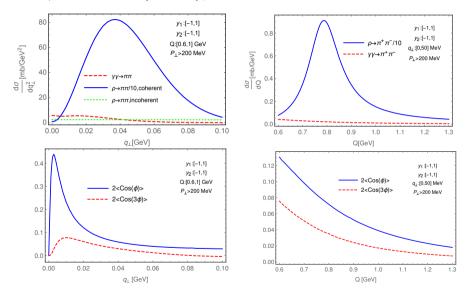
• $\gamma\gamma \to \pi\pi$, QED. small $M_{\pi\pi}$ region, π point-like approximation

$$\begin{split} &\frac{d\sigma_{\gamma\gamma\to\pi\pi}}{d^2p_{1\perp}d^2p_{2\perp}dy_1dy_2d^2\hat{b}_\perp} = \frac{\sigma_e^2}{Q^4} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int d^2k_\perp d^2\Delta_\perp d^2k'_\perp \delta^2(q_\perp - k_\perp - \Delta_\perp) e^{i(k_\perp - k'_\perp) \cdot \hat{b}_\perp} \\ &\times 4 \left[\hat{k}_\perp \cdot \hat{\Delta}_\perp - \frac{2P_\perp^2}{P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2} (\hat{k}_\perp \cdot \hat{P}_\perp) (\hat{\Delta}_\perp \cdot \hat{P}_\perp) \right] \left[\hat{k}'_\perp \cdot \hat{\Delta}'_\perp - \frac{2P_\perp^2}{P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2} (\hat{k}'_\perp \cdot \hat{P}_\perp) (\hat{\Delta}'_\perp \cdot \hat{P}_\perp) \right] \mathcal{F}(x_1, k_\perp^2) \mathcal{F}^*(x_1, k_\perp^{\prime 2}) \mathcal{F}(x_2, \Delta_\perp^2) \mathcal{F}^*(x_2, \Delta_\perp^{\prime 2}) \mathcal{F}(x_2, \Delta_\perp^2) \mathcal{F}^*(x_2, \Delta_\perp^2$$

▶ interference term

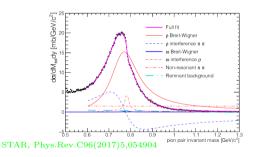
$$\begin{split} \frac{d\sigma_{\mathbf{I}}}{d^{2}\mathbf{p}_{1\perp}d^{2}\mathbf{p}_{2\perp}d\mathbf{y}_{1}d\mathbf{y}_{2}d^{2}\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_{\perp}} &= \frac{\sigma_{e}}{Q^{2}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{4}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \frac{2M_{\rho}\Gamma_{\rho}|\mathbf{P}_{\perp}|\mathbf{f}_{\rho\pi\pi}}{(Q^{2}-M_{\rho}^{2})^{2}+M_{\rho}^{2}\Gamma_{\rho}^{2}} \int d^{2}\Delta_{\perp}d^{2}\mathbf{k}_{\perp}d^{2}\mathbf{k}_{\perp} & \\ \times \delta^{2}(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}+\Delta_{\perp}-\mathbf{q}_{\perp}) \left[\hat{\mathbf{k}}_{\perp}\cdot\hat{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}_{\perp} - \frac{2P_{\perp}^{2}}{P_{\perp}^{2}+m_{\pi}^{2}}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}_{\perp}\cdot\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{\perp})(\hat{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}_{\perp}\cdot\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{\perp})\right] (\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{\perp}\cdot\hat{\mathbf{k}}_{\perp}') \\ \times 2\left\{ \left[e^{i\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\perp}\cdot(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}'-\mathbf{k}_{\perp})}\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_{1},\mathbf{k}_{\perp})\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_{2},\Delta_{\perp})\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_{1},\mathbf{k}_{\perp}')\mathcal{F}_{co}(\mathbf{x}_{2},\Delta_{\perp}')\right] \left[e^{i\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\perp}\cdot(\Delta_{\perp}'-\mathbf{k}_{\perp})}\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_{2},\mathbf{k}_{\perp})\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_{1},\Delta_{\perp}')\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_{2},\mathbf{k}_{\perp}')\mathcal{F}_{co}(\mathbf{x}_{1},\Delta_{\perp}')\right] \right\} \end{split}$$

$\cos(\phi)$ and $\cos(3\phi)$ azimuthal asymmetry, numerical results



How about direct production at lower invariant mass and how about e^+e^- collider

The discussions above were based on Au200@RHIC and Pb5020@LHC with $M_{\pi\pi}$ about 0.6 to 1 GeV, and mostly focused on ρ^0 decay.



to study polarization effect of poin pair production from $\gamma\gamma$ fusion,

- in UPCs, lower invariant mass is better
- e⁺e⁻ collider is even better

Theoretical calculation:

- ChPT,
- dispersion relation technique



Chiral perturbative theory (ChPT or χ PT)



S. Weinberg, Physica A 96 (1979) ,327

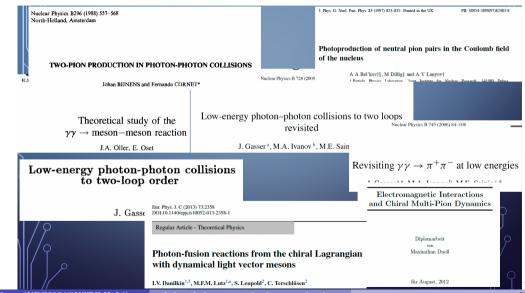
Founder of effective theory

J. Gasser, H. Leutwyler, *Nucl. Phys. B* 250 (1985) 465

- based on the global $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \times U(1)_V$ symmetry of the QCD Lagrangian in the limit of massless u, d, and s quarks, and spontaneously broken down to $SU(3)_V \times U(1)_V$ giving rise to eight massless Goldstone bosons
- systematic expansion of the Greens functions in powers of small momenta and small quark masses
- an effective field theory for QCD at low energies



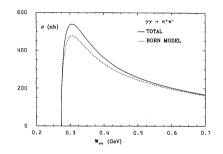
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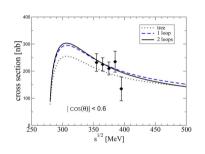


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J.BIJNENS and F. CORNET, NPB296(1988)557-568

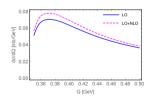
J. Gasser et al., NPB745(2006)84-108

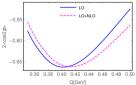
$$\begin{split} &A_{\gamma\gamma\to\pi^+\pi^-} = 2ie^2 \left\{ C \varepsilon_1 \cdot \varepsilon_2 - \frac{p_1 \cdot \varepsilon_1 p_2 \cdot \varepsilon_2}{p_1 \cdot k_1} - \frac{p_1 \cdot \varepsilon_2 p_2 \cdot \varepsilon_1}{p_1 \cdot k_2} \right\} \\ &C = 1 + \frac{4Q^2}{f_\pi^2} (L_9^r + L_{10}^r) - \frac{1}{16\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \left(\frac{3}{2} Q^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_\pi^2 \ln^2 g_\pi(Q^2) + m_K^2 \ln^2 g_K(Q^2) \right) \end{split}$$

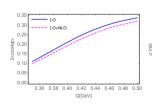
Dipoin production in UPCs, ChPT

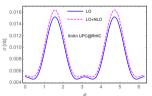
$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{AA \to \gamma\gamma \to \pi^+\pi^-}}{\mathrm{d}^2 p_{1\perp} \mathrm{d}^2 p_{2\perp} \mathrm{d} y_1 \mathrm{d} y_2 \mathrm{d}^2 \tilde{b}_\perp} &= \frac{\alpha_\mathrm{e}^2}{Q^4} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int \mathrm{d}^2 k_{1\perp} \mathrm{d}^2 k_{2\perp} \mathrm{d}^2 k_{1\perp}' \delta^2 (q_\perp - k_{1\perp} - k_{2\perp}) \, \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}(k_{1\perp} - k_{1\perp}') \cdot \tilde{b}_\perp} \\ &\times 4 \left| \mathcal{C} \, \hat{k}_{1\perp} \cdot \hat{k}_{2\perp} - \frac{2 \, P_\perp^2}{P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2} (\hat{k}_{1\perp} \cdot \hat{P}_\perp) (\hat{k}_{2\perp} \cdot \hat{P}_\perp) \right|^2 \mathcal{F}(x_1, k_{1\perp}^2) \mathcal{F}^*(x_1, k_{1\perp}'^2) \mathcal{F}(x_2, k_{2\perp}^2) \mathcal{F}^*(x_2, k_{2\perp}'^2) \\ &\mathcal{F}(x, k_\perp) = \frac{Z \, \sqrt{\alpha_\mathrm{e}}}{\pi} |k_\perp| \frac{F(k_\perp^2 + x^2 M_\mathrm{p}^2)}{(k_\perp^2 + x^2 M_\perp^2)} \end{split}$$

numerical results:







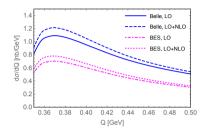


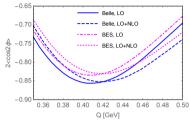
Dipoin production in e⁺e⁻ collider, ChPT

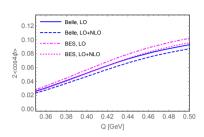
$$\begin{split} &\frac{d\sigma_{e^+e^-\to\gamma\gamma\to\pi^+\pi^-}}{d^2p_{1\perp}d^2p_{2\perp}dy_1dy_2} = \frac{4\alpha_e^2}{Q^4} \int d^2k_{1\perp}d^2k_{2\perp}\delta^2(q_\perp - k_{1\perp} - k_{2\perp})x_1x_2 \\ &\times \left\{ \left| C\,\hat{k}_{1\perp}\cdot\hat{k}_{2\perp} - \frac{2\,P_\perp^2}{P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2}(\hat{k}_{1\perp}\cdot\hat{P}_\perp)\,(\hat{k}_{2\perp}\cdot\hat{P}_\perp) \right|^2\,h_1^\perp(x_1,k_{1\perp}^2)\,h_1^\perp(x_2,k_{2\perp}^2) \right. \\ &\quad + \left[\frac{1}{2}|C|^2 + \frac{2\,P_\perp^4(\hat{k}_{1\perp}\cdot\hat{P}_\perp)^2}{(P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2)^2} - \frac{(C\,+\,C^*)\,P_\perp^2}{P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2}(\hat{k}_{1\perp}\cdot\hat{P}_\perp)^2 \right] h_1^\perp(x_1,k_{1\perp}^2) \left(f(x_2,k_{2\perp}^2) - h_1^\perp(x_2,k_{2\perp}^2) \right) \\ &\quad + \left[\frac{1}{2}|C|^2 + \frac{2\,P_\perp^4(\hat{k}_{2\perp}\cdot\hat{P}_\perp)^2}{(P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2)^2} - \frac{(C\,+\,C^*)\,P_\perp^2}{P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2}(\hat{k}_{2\perp}\cdot\hat{P}_\perp)^2 \right] h_1^\perp(x_2,k_{2\perp}^2) \left(f(x_1,k_{1\perp}^2) - h_1^\perp(x_1,k_{1\perp}^2) \right) \\ &\quad + \left[\frac{P_\perp^4}{(P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2)^2} + \frac{1}{2}|C|^2 - \frac{(C\,+\,C^*)\,P_\perp^2}{2(P_\perp^2 + m_\pi^2)} \right] \left(f(x_1,k_{1\perp}^2) - h_1^\perp(x_1,k_{1\perp}^2) \right) \left(f(x_2,k_{2\perp}^2) - h_1^\perp(x_2,k_{2\perp}^2) \right) \right\} \end{split}$$

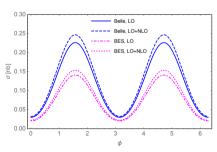
$$xf(x,k_{\perp}^2) = \frac{\alpha_e}{2\pi^2}(1+(1-x)^2)\frac{k_{\perp}^2}{(k_{\perp}^2+x^2m_e^2)^2}, \quad xh_{1}^{\perp}(x,k_{\perp}^2) = \frac{\alpha_e}{\pi^2}(1-x)\frac{k_{\perp}^2}{(k_{\perp}^2+x^2m_e^2)^2}$$

numerical results:









Dipoin production in e⁺e⁻ collider, with the aid of dispersion relation

Ling-Yun Dai and M.R. Pennington, "Comprehensive Amplitude Analysis of $\gamma\gamma \to \pi^+\pi^-, \pi^0\pi^0$ and KK below 1.5 GeV", PRD90, 036004 (2014)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\rho(s)}{128\pi^2 s} [|M_{+-}|^2 + |M_{++}|^2],$$

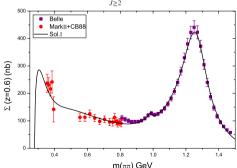
isospin decomposition of the amplitudes:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{F}_{\pi}^{+-}(s) &= -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\mathcal{F}_{\pi}^{l=0}(s) - \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}\mathcal{F}_{\pi}^{l=2}(s), \\ \mathcal{F}_{\pi}^{00}(s) &= -\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}\mathcal{F}_{\pi}^{l=0}(s) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\mathcal{F}_{\pi}^{l=2}(s), \\ \mathcal{F}_{K}^{+-}(s) &= -\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{F}_{K}^{l=0}(s) - \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{F}_{K}^{l=1}(s), \\ \mathcal{F}_{K}^{00}(s) &= -\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{F}_{K}^{l=0}(s) + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{F}_{K}^{l=1}(s). \end{split}$$

partial wave expansions of the amplitudes:

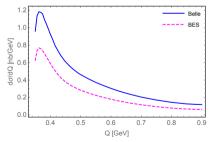
$$M_{++}(s,\theta,\phi) = e^2 \sqrt{16\pi} \sum_{J \geq 0} F_{J0}(s) Y_{J0}(\theta,\phi),$$

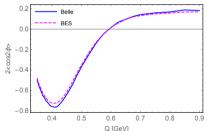
$$M_{+-}(s,\theta,\phi) = e^2 \sqrt{16\pi} \sum_{I>2} F_{J2}(s) Y_{J2}(\theta,\phi).$$



cross section in helicity amplitude form with linealy polarized photon:

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\mathrm{e^+e^-} \to \gamma\gamma \to \pi^+\pi^-}}{\mathrm{d}^2 p_{1\perp} \mathrm{d}^2 p_{2\perp} \mathrm{d}y_1 \mathrm{d}y_2} &= \frac{1}{16\pi^2 Q^4} \int \mathrm{d}^2 k_{1\perp} \mathrm{d}^2 k_{2\perp} \delta^2 (q_\perp - k_{1\perp} - k_{2\perp}) x_1 x_2 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left(|M_{+-}|^2 + |M_{++}|^2 \right) f(x_1, k_{1\perp}^2) f(x_2, k_{2\perp}^2) \right\} \\ &- \cos 2(\phi_1) \mathrm{Re}[M_{++} M_{+-}^*] f(x_2, k_{2\perp}^2) h_1^\perp (x_1, k_{1\perp}^2) - \cos 2(\phi_2) \mathrm{Re}[M_{++} M_{+-}^*] f(x_1, k_{1\perp}^2) h_1^\perp (x_2, k_{2\perp}^2) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos 2(\phi_1 - \phi_2) |M_{++}|^2 + \cos 2(\phi_1 + \phi_2) |M_{+-}|^2 \right] h_1^\perp (x_1, k_{1\perp}^2) h_1^\perp (x_2, k_{2\perp}^2) \right\} \end{split}$$





Summary

Linearly polarized photon introduce significant azimuthal asymmetries in dipoin photoproduciton in UPCs and e⁺e⁻ collisions at low energy.