



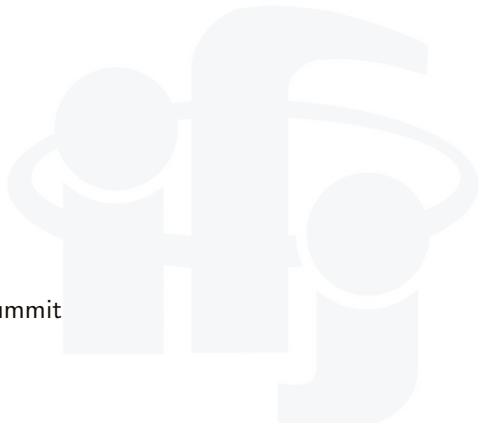
# Photon-photon transition form factor for tensor meson quarkonium

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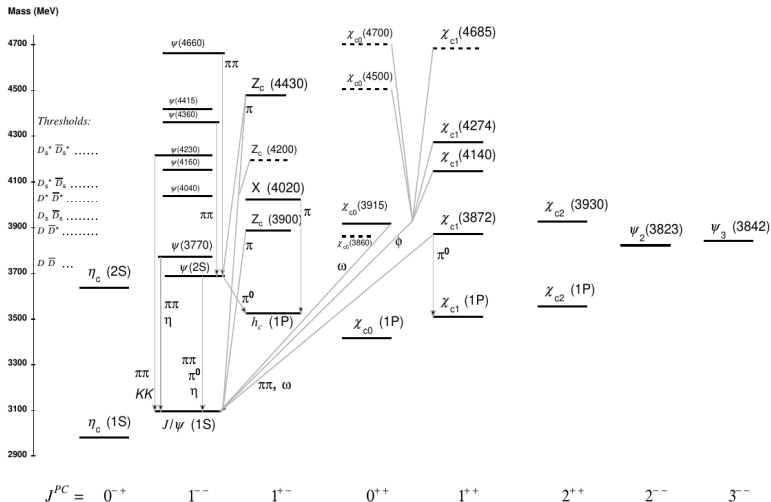
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# Charmonium family

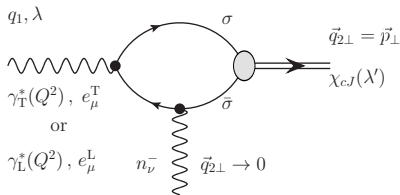


$J^{PC}$ :  $0^{-+}$  - pseudoscalar,  $0^{++}$  - scalar,  
 $1^{--}$  - vector,  $1^{+-}$  - axial vector,  
 $2^{++}$  - tensor meson

spectroscopic notation:  
 $\ell = 0, 1, 2$   
 $S, P, D$

# Transition matrix element

In Drell-Yan frame one of the photons carries vanishing light-front plus momentum:



$$q_1 = \{q_1^+, q_1^- = -\frac{Q^2}{2q_1^+}, \vec{q}_{1\perp} = 0\},$$

$$q_2 = \{q_2^+ = 0, q_2^- = P^- - q_1^-, \vec{q}_{2\perp}\},$$

$Q^2$  - photon virtuality,  $q_1^2 = -Q^2$ ,  $Q^2 \geq 0$ ,  
and  $q_2^2 = 0$

Possibilities of virtual photon polarizations:

transverse :  $\gamma_T^*(Q^2)$ ,

longitudinal:  $\gamma_L^*(Q^2)$ .

Helicity amplitudes related to matrix elements of the LF-plus component of the current:

$$M(\lambda \rightarrow \lambda') \equiv \langle \chi_{cJ}(\lambda') | J_+(0) | \gamma_{T,L}^*(Q^2) \rangle$$

$$= 2q_1^+ \sqrt{N_c} e^2 e_f^2 \int \frac{dz d^2 \vec{k}_\perp}{z(1-z) 16\pi^3} \sum_{\sigma, \bar{\sigma}} \underbrace{\Psi_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{\lambda'}(z, \vec{k}_\perp)}_{Q\bar{Q} \text{ wave function}} (\vec{q}_{2\perp} \cdot \nabla_{\vec{k}_\perp}) \underbrace{\Psi_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{\gamma_{T,L}}(z, \vec{k}_\perp, Q^2)}_{\text{photon wave function}}$$

$$\Psi_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{\gamma_T}(z, \vec{k}_\perp, Q^2) = \sqrt{z(1-z)} \frac{\delta_{\sigma, -\bar{\sigma}} (\vec{e}_\perp \cdot \vec{k}_\perp) \left( 2(1-z)\delta_{\sigma, \lambda} - 2z\delta_{\sigma, \lambda} \right) + \delta_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}} \delta_{\sigma\lambda} \sqrt{2} m_f}{\vec{k}_\perp^2 + m_f^2 + z(1-z)Q^2},$$

$$\Psi_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{\gamma_L}(z, \vec{k}_\perp, Q^2) = \left( \sqrt{z(1-z)} \right)^3 \frac{2Q \delta_{\sigma, -\bar{\sigma}}}{\vec{k}_\perp^2 + m_f^2 + z(1-z)Q^2}, \quad \sigma(\bar{\sigma}) \text{ quark(antiquark) polarization}$$

# Light Front Wave Function - tensor meson

$$\Psi_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{(\lambda)}(z, \vec{k}_\perp) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \Phi_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{(\lambda)} \phi(z, k_\perp) \frac{2}{\sqrt{M_0^2 - 4m_f^2}}, \quad \phi(z, k_\perp) = \pi \sqrt{M_0} \frac{u_1(k)}{k}$$

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$$\Phi_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{k_\perp e^{-i\varphi}}{M_0} \left[ m_f + \frac{2k_\perp^2 - (2z-1)^2 M_0^2}{M_0 + 2m_f} \right] & (2z-1) \left[ \frac{k_\perp^2}{M_0 + 2m_f} + \frac{1}{2} M_0 - \frac{(2z-1)^2 M_0^2}{2(M_0 + 2m_f)} \right] \\ (2z-1) \left[ \frac{k_\perp^2}{M_0 + 2m_f} + \frac{1}{2} M_0 - \frac{(2z-1)^2 M_0^2}{2(M_0 + 2m_f)} \right] & -\frac{k_\perp e^{i\varphi}}{M_0} \left[ m_f + \frac{2k_\perp^2 - (2z-1)^2 M_0^2}{M_0 + 2m_f} \right] \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\Phi_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{(+1)} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{z(1-z)}} \begin{pmatrix} m_f(2z-1) + 2k_\perp^2 \frac{(2z-1)}{M_0 + 2m_f} & k_\perp e^{i\varphi} \left[ \frac{(2z-1)^2 M_0}{M_0 + 2m_f} + (z-1) \right] \\ k_\perp e^{i\varphi} \left[ \frac{(2z-1)^2 M_0}{M_0 + 2m_f} - z \right] & -2k_\perp^2 e^{i2\varphi} \frac{(2z-1)}{M_0 + 2m_f} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\Phi_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{(-1)} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{z(1-z)}} \begin{pmatrix} -2k_\perp^2 e^{-i2\varphi} \frac{(2z-1)}{M_0 + 2m_f} & -k_\perp e^{-i\varphi} \left[ \frac{(2z-1)^2 M_0}{M_0 + 2m_f} - z \right] \\ -k_\perp e^{-i\varphi} \left[ \frac{(2z-1)^2 M_0}{M_0 + 2m_f} + (z-1) \right] & m(2z-1) + 2k_\perp^2 \frac{(2z-1)}{M_0 + 2m_f} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\Phi_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{(+2)} = \frac{-k_\perp e^{i\varphi}}{M_0 \sqrt{z(1-z)}} \begin{pmatrix} m_f + \frac{k_\perp^2}{M_0 + 2m_f} & \frac{1}{2} k_\perp e^{i\varphi} \left( 1 + \frac{(2z-1)M_0}{M_0 + 2m_f} \right) \\ -\frac{1}{2} k_\perp e^{i\varphi} \left( 1 - \frac{(2z-1)M_0}{M_0 + 2m_f} \right) & -k_\perp^2 e^{i2\varphi} \frac{1}{M_0 + 2m_f} \end{pmatrix},$$

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# Transition amplitude in the Drell-Yan frame

The **covariant amplitude** for the process  $\gamma^*(q_1)\gamma(q_2) \rightarrow 2^{++}$ :

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} = 4\pi\alpha_{em} \left[ \delta_{\mu\nu}^\perp (q_2 - q_1)_\alpha (q_2 - q_1)_\beta F_{TT,0}(Q^2) + \frac{1}{2} \left( \delta_{\mu\alpha}^\perp \delta_{\nu\beta}^\perp + \delta_{\nu\alpha}^\perp \delta_{\mu\beta}^\perp - \delta_{\mu\nu}^\perp \delta_{\alpha\beta}^\perp \right) F_{TT,2}(Q^2) + \left( q_{1\mu} - \frac{q_1^2}{q_1 \cdot q_2} q_{2\mu} \right) \delta_{\nu\alpha}^\perp (q_2 - q_1)_\beta F_{LT}(Q^2) \right],$$

$$\text{and } \delta_{\mu\nu}^\perp = g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{(q_1 \cdot q_2)^2} \left( (q_1 \cdot q_2)(q_{2\mu} q_{1\nu} + q_{1\mu} q_{2\nu}) - q_1^2 q_{2\mu} q_{2\nu} \right).$$

- three independent form factors - each of them contain **wave function** of the proper meson polarization

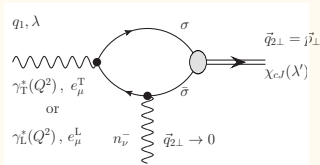
The covariant amplitude definition  $\leftrightarrow$  transition amplitude in the Drell-Yan frame

$$\mathcal{M}(\lambda \rightarrow \lambda') = e_\mu(\lambda) n_\nu^- \mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} E_{\alpha\beta}^*(\lambda')$$

$$\mathcal{M}(+1 \rightarrow 0) = 2q_1^+ e^2 (\vec{e}_\perp(+1) \cdot \vec{q}_{2\perp}) \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \frac{M^2 + Q^2}{M^2} F_{TT,0}(Q^2),$$

$$\mathcal{M}(+1 \rightarrow +2) = -2q_1^+ e^2 (\vec{e}_\perp^*(+1) \cdot \vec{q}_{2\perp}) \frac{1}{M^2 + Q^2} F_{TT,2}(Q^2),$$

$$\mathcal{M}(0 \rightarrow +1) = 2q_1^+ e^2 (\vec{e}_\perp^*(+1) \cdot \vec{q}_{2\perp}) \frac{Q}{\sqrt{2}M} F_{LT}(Q^2).$$



# Transition Form Factors: $F_{TT,0}$ , $F_{TT,2}$ , $F_{LT}$

Form factors with light-front wave functions

$$F_{TT,0}(Q^2) = \sqrt{6N_c} e_f^2 \frac{M^2}{M^2 + Q^2} \int \frac{dz k_\perp dk_\perp}{\sqrt{z(1-z)} 8\pi^2} \frac{1}{[k_\perp^2 + \varepsilon^2]^2} \left[ m_f k_\perp \tilde{\psi}_{\uparrow\uparrow}^0(z, k_\perp) - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \left( (2z-1) \left( \tilde{\psi}_{\uparrow\downarrow}^0(z, k_\perp) + \tilde{\psi}_{\downarrow\uparrow}^0(z, k_\perp) \right) + \left( \tilde{\psi}_{\uparrow\downarrow}^0(z, k_\perp) - \tilde{\psi}_{\downarrow\uparrow}^0(z, k_\perp) \right) \right) \right],$$

$$F_{TT,2}(Q^2) = -2\sqrt{N_c} e_f^2 (M^2 + Q^2) \int \frac{dz k_\perp dk_\perp}{\sqrt{z(1-z)} 8\pi^2} \frac{1}{[k_\perp^2 + \varepsilon^2]^2} \left[ m_f k_\perp \tilde{\psi}_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{+2}(z, k_\perp) + \frac{k_\perp^2}{2} \left( (2z-1) \left( \tilde{\psi}_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{+2}(z, k_\perp) + \tilde{\psi}_{\downarrow\uparrow}^{+2}(z, k_\perp) \right) + \left( \tilde{\psi}_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{+2}(z, k_\perp) - \tilde{\psi}_{\downarrow\uparrow}^{+2}(z, k_\perp) \right) \right) \right],$$

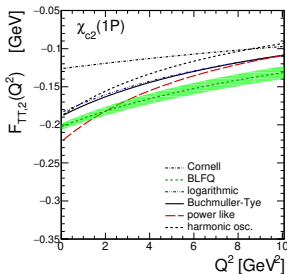
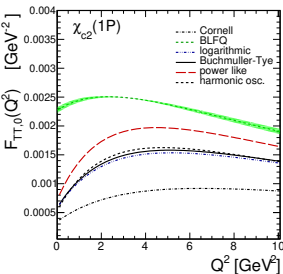
$$F_{LT}(Q^2) = 4\sqrt{N_c} e_f^2 M \int \frac{dz k_\perp dk_\perp}{\sqrt{z(1-z)} 8\pi^2} \frac{z(1-z)k_\perp}{[k_\perp^2 + \varepsilon^2]^2} \left( \tilde{\psi}_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{+1}(z, k_\perp) + \tilde{\psi}_{\downarrow\uparrow}^{+1}(z, k_\perp) \right).$$

In the limit of nonrelativistic motion of quarks in the bound state

- expand  $z = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\implies z = \frac{1}{2} - \xi$ ,  
 $1 - z = \frac{1}{2} + \xi$ ,  $\xi \rightarrow 0$ ,
- expand  $k_\perp = 0$

$$\text{NRQCD} \implies \begin{cases} F_{TT,0}(Q^2) = e_f^2 (-4) \sqrt{\frac{3N_c M}{\pi}} \frac{Q^2}{(M^2 + Q^2)^3} R'(0) \\ F_{TT,2}(Q^2) = e_f^2 8 \sqrt{\frac{3N_c M}{\pi}} \frac{1}{M^2 + Q^2} R'(0), \\ F_{LT}(Q^2) = e_f^2 (-8) \sqrt{\frac{3N_c M}{\pi}} \frac{1}{(M^2 + Q^2)^2} R'(0). \end{cases}$$

# Contribution to radiative decay width: $\Gamma(\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$



- the  $\chi_{c2}$  helicity  $\lambda = 0$  is strongly suppressed.

$$\frac{\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}(\lambda=0)}{\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}(\lambda=\pm 2)} = (0.0 \pm 0.6 \pm 1.2) \times 10^{-2},$$

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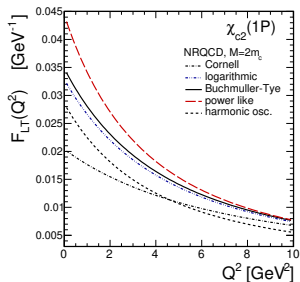
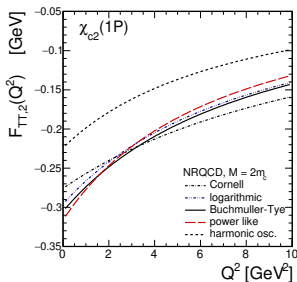
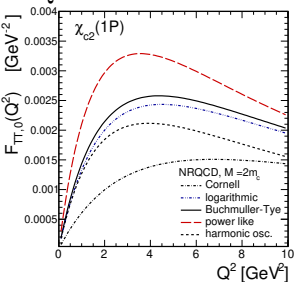
$$\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}(\chi_{c2}) = (4\pi\alpha_{em})^2 \left[ \frac{|F_{TT,0}(0)|^2 \cdot M_{\chi_{c2}}^3}{120\pi} + \frac{|F_{TT,2}(0)|^2}{80\pi M_{\chi_{c2}}} \right].$$

Helicity decomposition of the two-photon decay width of  $\chi_{c2}(1P)$ .

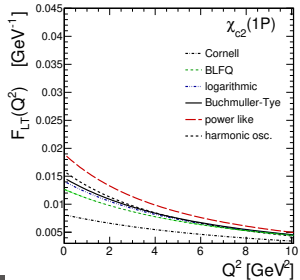
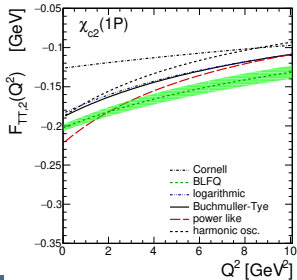
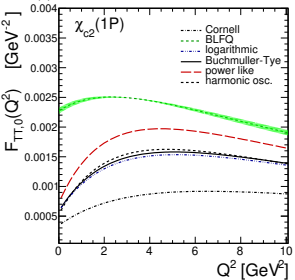
	$\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}(\lambda = 0)$ [keV]	$\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}(\lambda = \pm 2)$ [keV]	$\frac{\Gamma(\lambda=0)}{\Gamma(\lambda=\pm 2)}$	$\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}$ [keV]
Cornell	$1.18 \times 10^{-4}$	0.15	$0.7 \times 10^{-3}$	0.15
logarithmic	$3.37 \times 10^{-4}$	0.32	$0.3 \times 10^{-3}$	0.32
Buchmüller-Tye	$3.36 \times 10^{-4}$	0.34	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$	0.34
power like	$5.18 \times 10^{-4}$	0.47	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$	0.47
harmonic osc.	$2.80 \times 10^{-4}$	0.33	$0.8 \times 10^{-3}$	0.33
BLFQ	$(5.2 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-3}$	$0.39 \pm 0.01$	$(1.3 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-2}$	$0.39 \pm 0.01$

# Transition form factors: NRQCD vs LFWF approach

NRQCD



LFWF





# The off-shell decay width

The definition of **off-shell widths** that we were using comes from writing the  $\gamma^* \gamma$  cross-section for photons as ( $i, j \in T, L$ ) [J.Olsson Nucl.Phys.BProc.Suppl.3\(1988\)613 – 637](#)

$$\sigma_{ij} = \frac{32\pi}{N_i N_j} (2J+1) \frac{W^2}{2\sqrt{X}} \frac{\Gamma_{ij}^*(Q^2)}{(W^2 - M^2)^2 + M^2 \Gamma^2} = \frac{32\pi}{N_i N_j} (2J+1) \frac{W^2}{2M\sqrt{X}} \text{BW}(W^2, M^2) \Gamma_{ij}^*(Q^2).$$

The kinematical factor  $\sqrt{X} = \frac{1}{2}(M^2 + Q^2)$ ,  $N_T = 2$ ,  $N_L = 1$ , and  $J$  is the spin of the resonance, the Breit-Wigner distribution, in the narrow approx. :  $\text{BW}(W^2, M^2) \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2M} \delta(W - M)$ .

The TT and LT cross sections are obtained from the c.m.-frame helicity amplitudes as

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{TT}} &= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{X}} \left( \mathcal{M}^*(++)\mathcal{M}(++) + \mathcal{M}^*(+-)\mathcal{M}(+-) \right) \text{BW}(W^2, M^2) \\ &= \frac{(4\pi\alpha_{\text{em}})^2}{4\sqrt{X}} \left\{ |F_{\text{TT},2}(Q^2)|^2 + \frac{2}{3} \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{M^2}\right)^4 M^4 |F_{\text{TT},0}(Q^2)|^2 \right\} \text{BW}(W^2, M^2), \\ \sigma_{\text{LT}} &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{X}} \mathcal{M}^*(0+)\mathcal{M}(0+) \text{BW}(W^2, M^2) = \frac{Q^2\sqrt{X}}{W^2} (4\pi\alpha_{\text{em}})^2 |F_{\text{LT}}(Q^2)|^2 \text{BW}(W^2, M^2), \end{aligned}$$

The single-tag cross-section, which we write as:

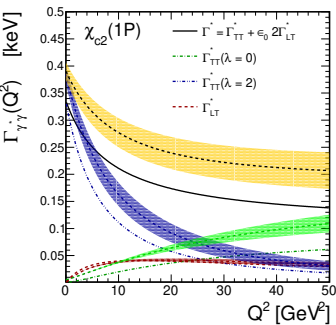
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = 2 \int dW \frac{dL}{dWdQ^2} \left( \sigma_{\text{TT}}(W^2, Q^2) + \epsilon_0 \sigma_{\text{LT}}(W^2, Q^2) \right).$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = 4\pi^2 \frac{(2J+1)}{M^2} \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{M^2}\right)^{-1} \frac{2dL}{dWdQ^2} \Big|_{W=M} \Gamma_{\gamma^* \gamma}(Q^2),$$

with the effective off-shell width defined as

$$\Gamma_{\gamma^* \gamma}(Q^2) = \Gamma_{\text{TT}}^*(Q^2) + \epsilon_0 2\Gamma_{\text{LT}}^*(Q^2).$$

# The off-shell decay width



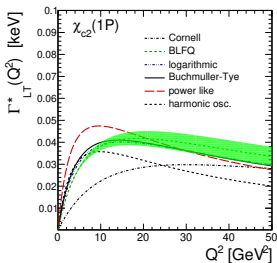
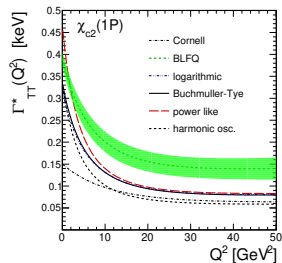
The effective off-shell width

$$\Gamma_{\gamma^*\gamma}(Q^2) = \Gamma_{TT}^*(Q^2) + \epsilon_0 2\Gamma_{LT}^*(Q^2)$$

$$\Gamma_{TT}^*(Q^2) = (4\pi\alpha_{em})^2 \left\{ \frac{|F_{TT2}(Q^2)|^2}{80\pi M} + \frac{M^3 |F_{TT0}(Q^2)|^2}{120\pi} \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{M^2}\right)^4 \right\}.$$

$$\Gamma_{LT}^*(Q^2) = (4\pi\alpha_{em})^2 \frac{1}{160\pi} \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{M^2}\right)^2 M Q^2 |F_{LT}(Q^2)|^2.$$

For the  $\chi_{c2}$  we took  $\epsilon_0 = 1$ , and  $M = M_{\chi_{c2}}$ .



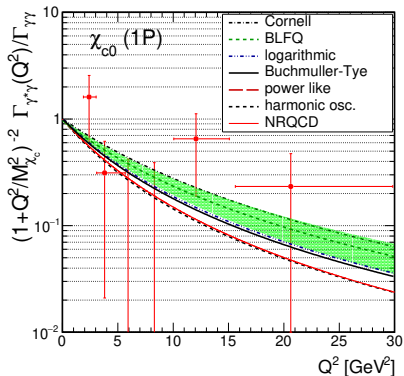
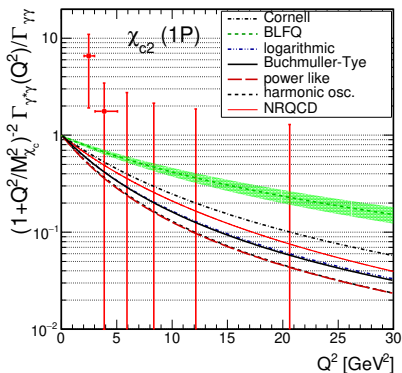
- for  $Q^2 < 20 \text{ GeV}^2$  the dominant is  $\lambda = 2$
- for  $Q^2 > 50 \text{ GeV}^2$  the dominant is  $\lambda = 0$

# The off-shell decay width

Off-shell widths are convention-dependent, and to compare to the experimental data from Ref. [M.Masuda et.al Phys. Rev. D 97, 052003\(2018\)](#), we note that the Belle collaboration writes

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = 4\pi^2 \frac{(2J+1)}{M^2} \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{M^2}\right) \frac{2 dL}{dWdQ^2} \Big|_{W=M} \Gamma_{\gamma^*\gamma}^{\text{Belle}}(Q^2),$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = 4\pi^2 \frac{(2J+1)}{M^2} \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{M^2}\right)^{-1} \frac{2 dL}{dWdQ^2} \Big|_{W=M} \Gamma_{\gamma^*\gamma}(Q^2),$$



- The transition form factors expressed by the Light Front Wave Functions were presented. The wave functions from two different approaches were used: • the Light Front Wave Functions (LFWF) obtained through the Melosh Spin-Rotation transform (for the spin-orbit part), and the solution from the Schrödinger equation for several models of the central potential models of  $Q\bar{Q}$  interaction; • Basis Light Front Quantization (BLFQ) approach
- We have found rather wide spread results of radiative decay width  $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma} : (0.15 - 0.47)\text{keV}$
- We find the ratio  $\Gamma(\lambda = 0)/\Gamma(\lambda = \pm 2)$  of the order of  $10^{-3}$ , which is in agreement with the current experimental agreement.
- We have defined and calculated the so-called  $Q^2$ -dependent off-shell diphoton width and compared to the Belle data. It is rather difficult to conclude on the consistency of the model with rather low statistic available data. Future Belle II or Super  $\tau$ -Charm facility (STCF) high-statistics data on  $\gamma^*\gamma \rightarrow \chi_{c2}$  would be very useful to test the wave function and the formalism discussed in our studies.