Electromagnetic Structure of the Proton from Generalized Polarizabilities

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Outline

Introduction to the GPs

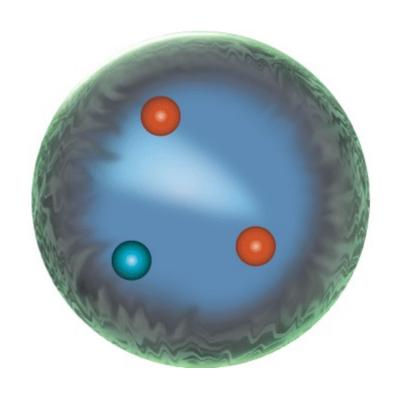
Status & challenges

Recent results / Jlab & MAMI

Prospects / VCS-II @ Jlab, measuring w positrons, ...

Our mission: Explain how the proton emerges from the dynamics of the quark & gluon constituents

How to accomplish: Measure and understand the emergence of the fundamental properties of the proton's bound state



Only composite building block of matter that is stable in nature

Mass

Spin

Polarizabilities

Size

Shape

Proton Polarizablities

Fundamental structure constants (such as mass, size, shape, ...)

Response of the nucleon to external EM field

Sensitive to the full excitation spectrum

Accessed experimentally through Compton Scattering

RCS: static polarizabilities \rightarrow net effect on the nucleon

PDG

50 Baryon Summary Table

N BARYONS (S=0, I=1/2)

 $p, N^+ = uud; \quad n, N^0 = udd$

 $I(J^P) = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}^+)$

Mass $m=1.00727646681\pm0.000000000009$ u Mass $m=938.272046\pm0.000021$ MeV $^{[a]}$ $|m_p-m_{\overline{p}}|/m_p<7\times10^{-10}$, CL =90% $^{[b]}$ $|\frac{q_{\overline{p}}}{m_{\overline{n}}}|/(\frac{q_p}{m_p})=0.9999999991\pm0.00000000009$

 $|q_p + q_{\overline{p}}|/(m_p) = 6.55555555551 \pm 6.66666666$

 $|q_p + q_e|/e < 1 \times 10^{-21} [c]$

Magnetic moment $\mu = 2.792847356 \pm 0.000000023 \,\mu_N$

 $(\mu_p + \mu_{\overline{p}}) / \mu_p = (0 \pm 5) \times 10^{-6}$

Electric dipole moment $d < 0.54 \times 10^{-23}$ ecm

Electric polarizability $\alpha = (11.2 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3$ Magnetic polarizability $\beta = (2.5 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3$ (S = 1.2)

Charge radius, μp Lamb shift = 0.84087 \pm 0.00039 fm $^{[d]}$ Charge radius, ep CODATA value = 0.8775 \pm 0.0051 fm $^{[d]}$

Magnetic radius = 0.777 ± 0.016 fm

Mean life $au > 2.1 imes 10^{29}$ years, CL = 90% [e] (p o invisible)

mode)

Mean life $au > 10^{31}$ to 10^{33} years $^{[e]}$ (mode dependent)

Virtual Compton Scattering:

Virtuality of photon gives access to the GPs: $\alpha_E(Q^2)$ & $\beta_M(Q^2)$ + spin GPs

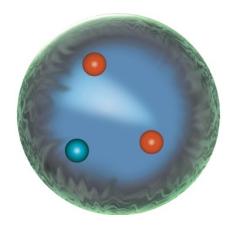
→ mapping out the spatial distribution of the polarization densities

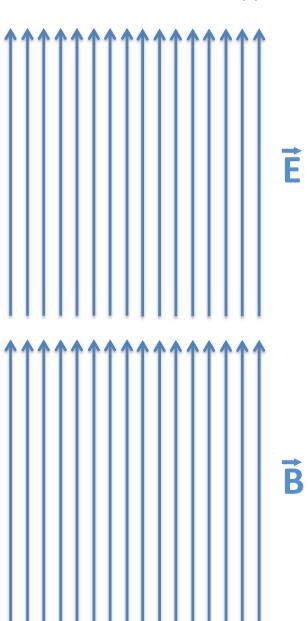
Fourier transform of densities of electric charges and magnetization of a nucleon deformed by an applied EM field

Scalar Polarizablities

Response of internal structure to an applied EM field

Interaction of the EM field with the internal structure of the nucleon

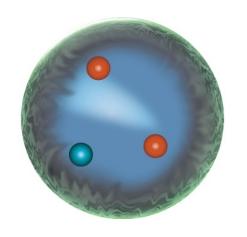


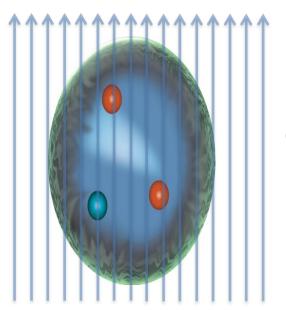


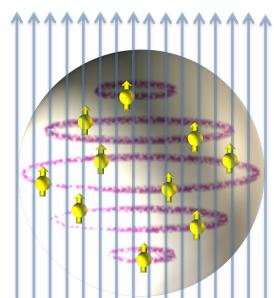
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"stretchability"

 $\vec{d}_{E \text{ induced}} \sim \vec{\alpha} \vec{E}$

External field deforms the charge distribution

"alignability"

 $\vec{d}_{M \text{ induced}} \sim \vec{\beta} \vec{B}$

 $\beta_{para} > 0$

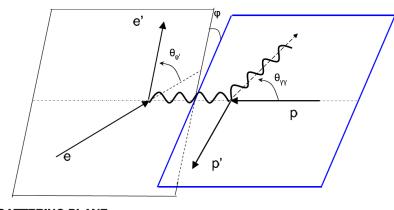
 $\beta_{diam} < 0$

Paramagnetic: proton spin aligns with the external magnetic field

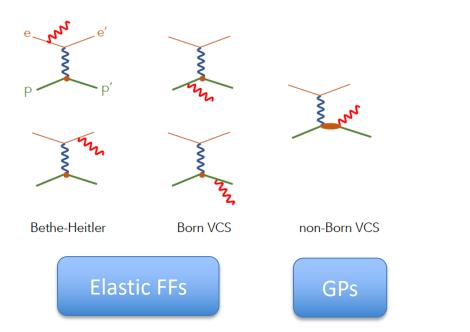
Diamagnetic: π -cloud induction produces field counter to the external perturbation

Virtual Compton Scattering

REACTION PLANE



SCATTERING PLANE



Virtual Compton Scattering

DR

valid below & above Pion threshold



Dispersive integrals

Spin GPs are fixed

Scalar GPs have an unconstrained part

Fit to the experimental cross sections at each Q²



valid only below Pion threshold



$$d^5\sigma = d^5\sigma^{BH+Born} + q'_{cm} \cdot \phi \cdot \Psi_0 + \mathcal{O}(q'^2_{cm})$$

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$$\Psi_{0} = v_{1} \cdot (P_{LL} - \frac{1}{\epsilon}P_{TT}) + v_{2} \cdot P_{LT}$$



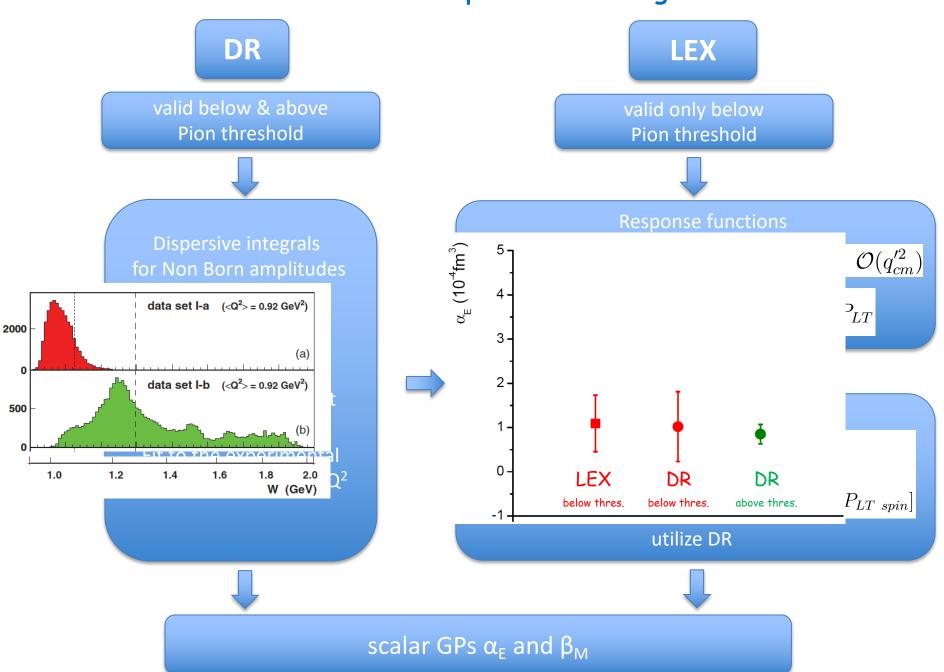
$$P_{TT} = [P_{TT \ spin}]$$

$$P_{LT} = -\frac{2M}{\alpha_{em}} \sqrt{\frac{q_{cm}^2}{Q^2}} \cdot G_E^p(Q^2) \cdot \beta_M(Q^2) + [P_{LT \ spin}]$$

utilize DR

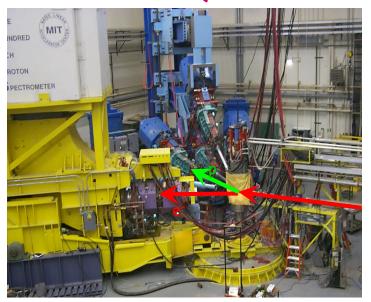


Virtual Compton Scattering

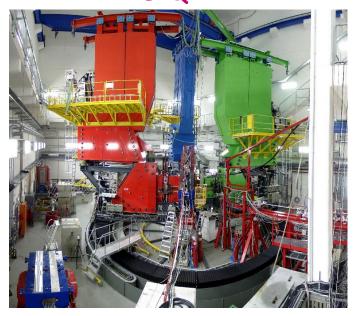


Early Experiments

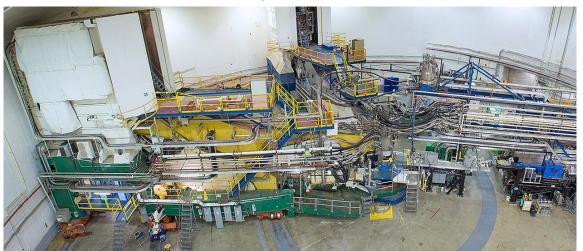
MIT-Bates @ Q²=0.06 GeV²



MAMI-A1 @ Q2=0.33 GeV2

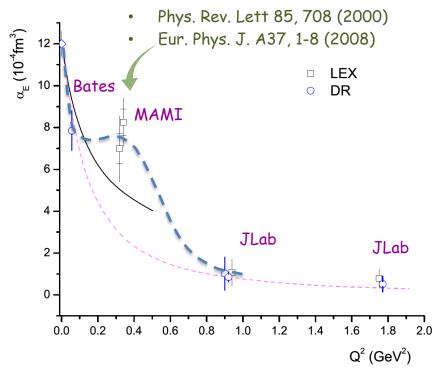


Jlab-Hall A @ Q2=0.9 & 1.8 GeV2



Early Experiments

 $Q^2 = 0.33 (GeV/c)^2$ measured twice at MAMI:



 $a_E \approx 10^{-3} V_N$ (stiffness / relativistic character)

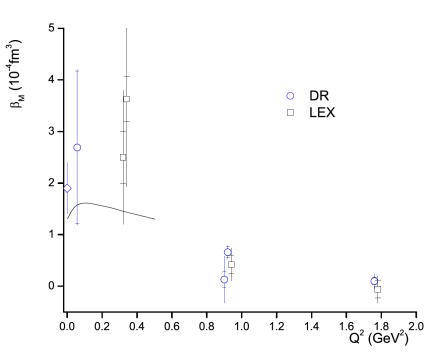
Data: non-trivial Q^2 dependence of a_E (?)

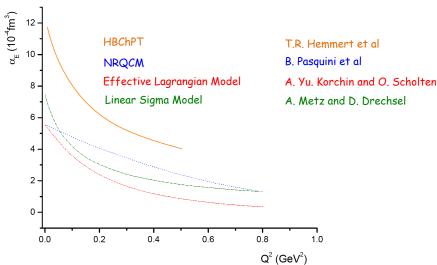
Theory: monotonic fall-off

 β_M small \longleftrightarrow cancellation of competing mechanisms Large uncertainties

Higher precision measurements needed

→ Quantify balance between dia/para-magnetism





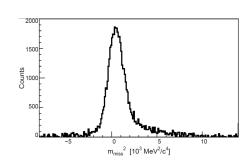
Recent Experiments

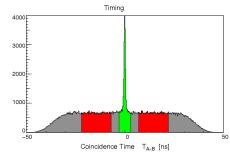
Recent Measurements: MAMI

MAMI A1/1-09 (vcsq2) below threshold

MAMI A1/3-12 (vcsdelta) above threshold

Both experiments utilized the A1 setup at MAMI







A1/1-09 @ MAMI

For LEX the higher order terms have to be kept small / under control

$$d^5\sigma = d^5\sigma^{BH+Born} + q'_{cm} \cdot \phi \cdot \Psi_0 + \mathcal{O}(q'^2_{cm})$$

Refined analysis procedure / phase space masking to keep these terms smaller than ~ 2%-3% level

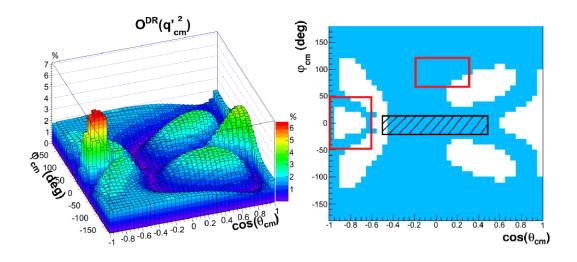
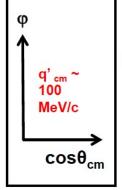
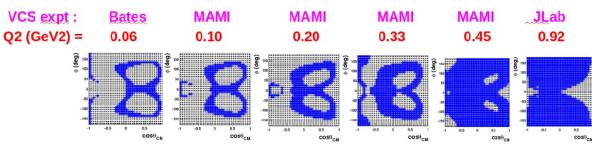


Figure 3.13: (Left) behavior of $\mathcal{O}^{DR}(q'_{cm}^2)$ in the $(cos(\theta_{cm}), \varphi_{cm})$ -plane at $q'_{cm} = 87.5 \ MeV/c$ and (right) two-dimensional representation of the angular region where $\mathcal{O}^{DR}(q'_{cm}^2) < 2\%$ (blue), the red squares correspond to the two areas of interest to perform the GP extraction.

Figure from PhD thesis of L. Correa, Mainz / Cl. Ferrand

Blue bins = where the higher-order estimator is < 3% (LEX truncation « valid »)





New « vcsq2 » data:

- OOP kinematics (to access the blue region)
- -LEX Fit done with bin selection at $Q^2 = 0.1$ and 0.2 GeV^2 .
- was found not necessary at $Q^2 = 0.45 \text{ GeV}^2$.





In-plane

8.5 deg OOP

A1/1-09 @ MAMI

~ 1.0 GeV beam

 $Q^2 = 0.1 (GeV/c)^2$, 0.2 $(GeV/c)^2$, and 0.45 $(GeV/c)^2$

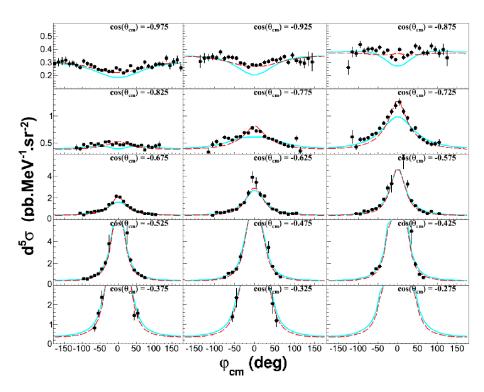


Figure 5.8: Setting INP: measured $ep \to ep\gamma$ cross section at fixed $q'_{cm} = 112.5~MeV/c$ with respect to φ_{cm} for all the $cos(\theta_{cm})$ -bins. The curves follow the convention of figure 5.6.

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Polarizability --effect

GP effect typically 5% - 15% of the cross section

Polarizability fits:

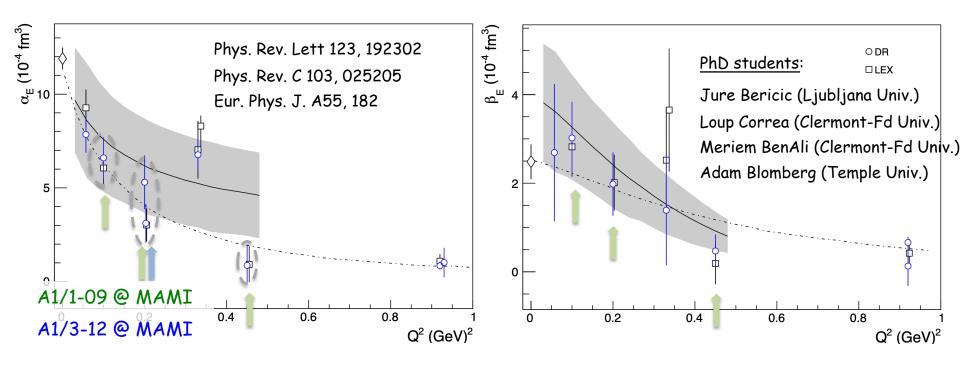
DR fit:

DR calculation includes full dependency in q'cm

LEX fit:

truncated in q'cm. Suppress contribution from higher order terms

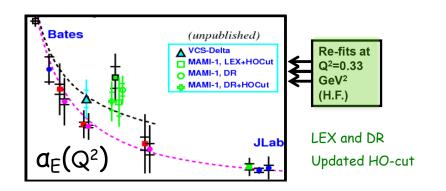
MAMI Results

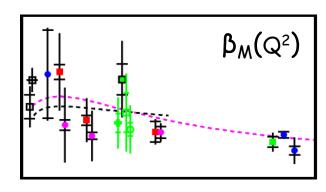


Revisiting the Q2=0.33 GeV2 data

Analysis revisited (unpublished):

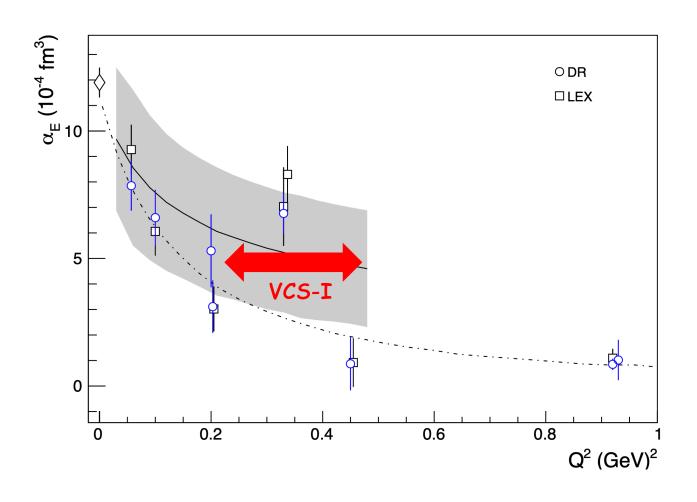


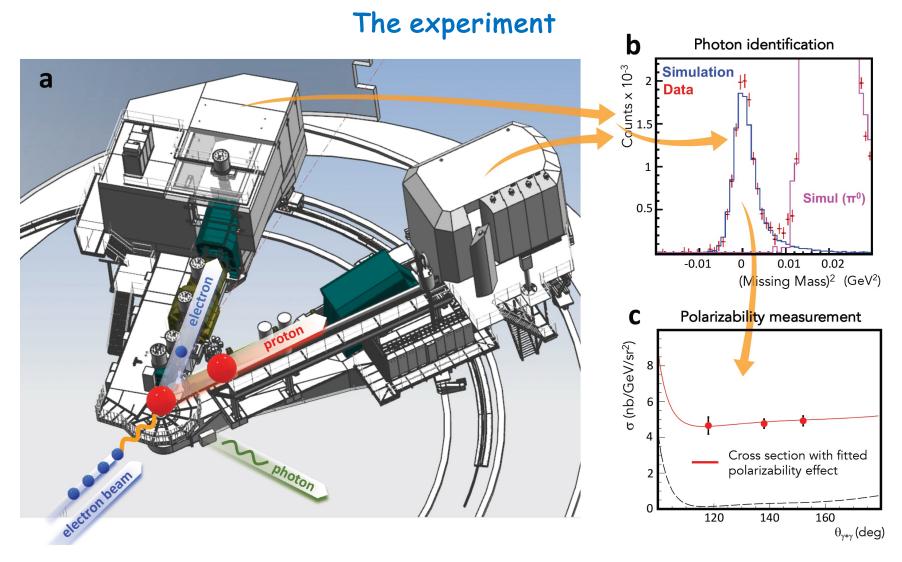




Jlab: VCS-I Experiment (E12-15-001) in Hall C

High precision measurements targeting explicitly the kinematics of interest for α_{E}





Hall C: SHMS, HMS

4.56 GeV

20 μΑ

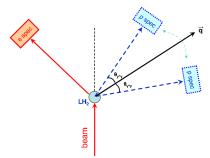
Liquid hydrogen 10 cm

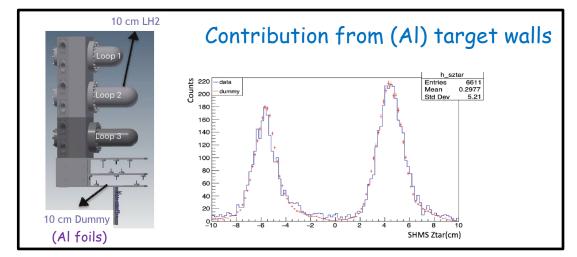
cross sections & azimuthal asymmetries

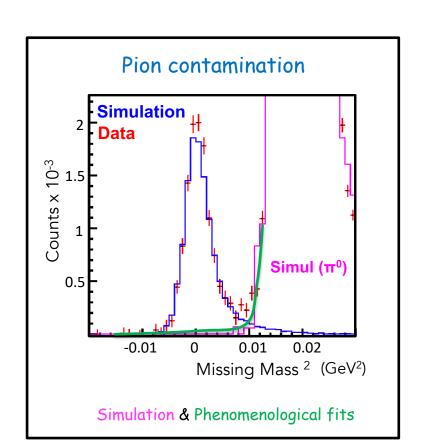
$$A_{(\phi_{\gamma^*\gamma}=0,\pi)} = \frac{\sigma_{\phi_{\gamma^*\gamma}=0} - \sigma_{\phi_{\gamma^*\gamma}=180}}{\sigma_{\phi_{\gamma^*\gamma}=0} + \sigma_{\phi_{\gamma^*\gamma}=180}}$$

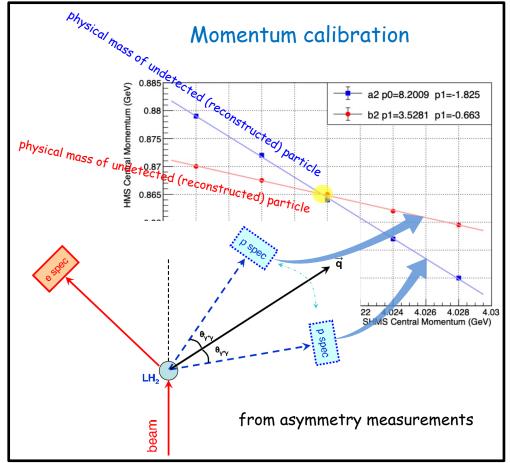
sensitivity to GPs

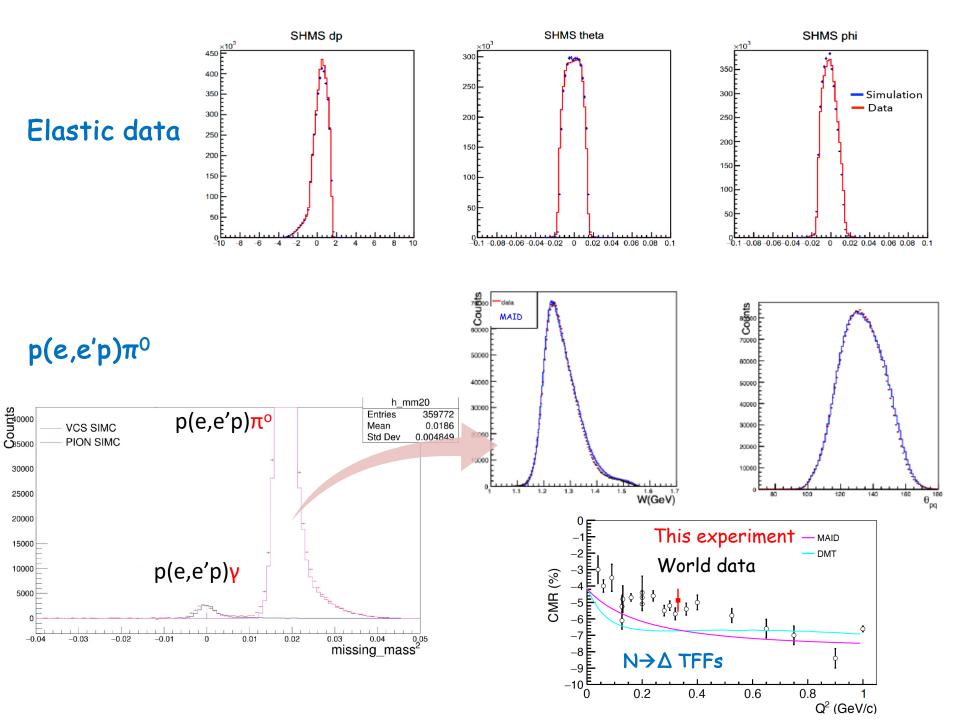
suppression of systematic asymmetries





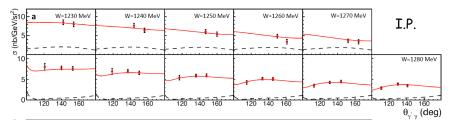


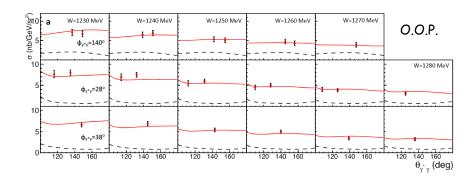




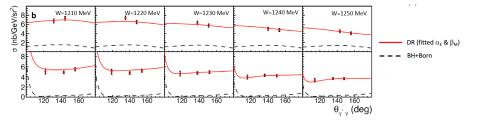
VCS-I results: cross sections

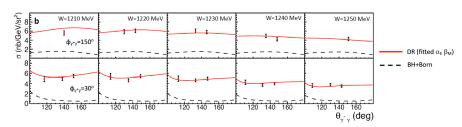
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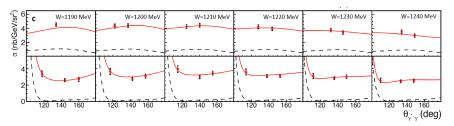


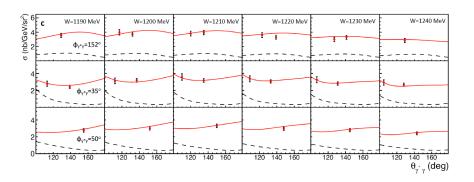
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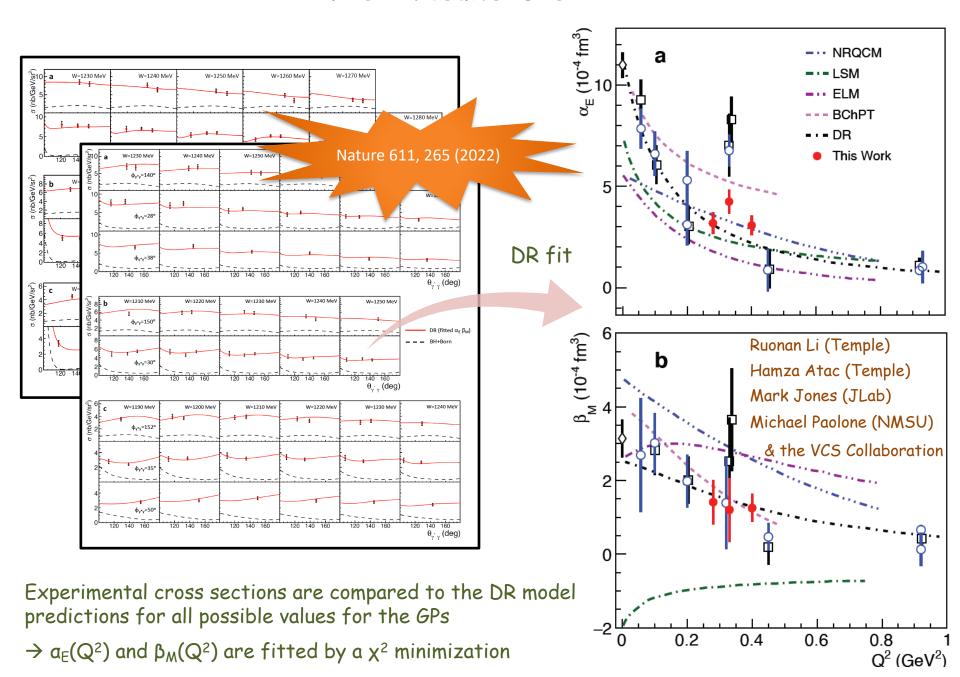


Q2=0.40 GeV2



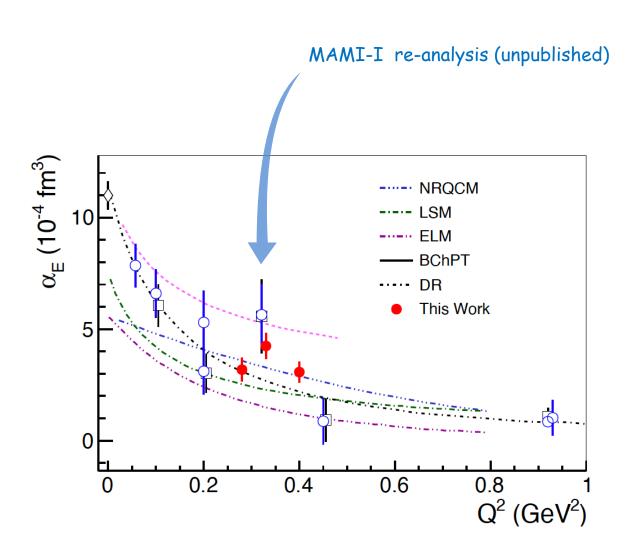


VCS-I results: GPs

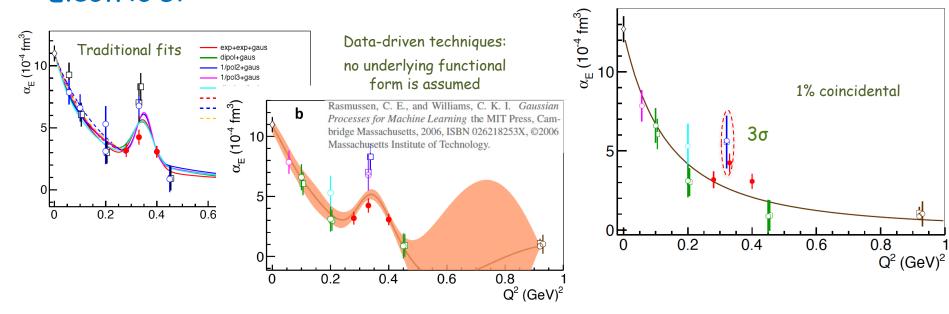


Electric GP (Q2)

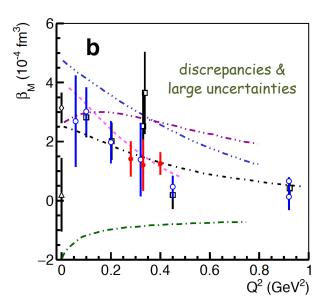
Is there a non-trivial structure?



Electric GP



Magnetic GP



Is the observed a_F structure coincidental or not?

If true: Measure the shape precisely → input to theory

If not: We are able to show it with more measurements

Strong tension between world data (?)
Things we do not yet understand well?
Underestimated uncertainties? ...

Magnetic GP: Large uncertainties & discrepancies

Needed to disentangle diamagnetism vs
paramagnetism in the proton

Ability to measure α_E and β_M with superb precision and with consistent systematics across Q^2

Theory: BXPT

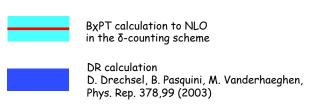
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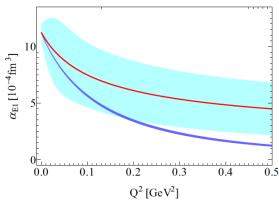
Regular Article - Theoretical Physics

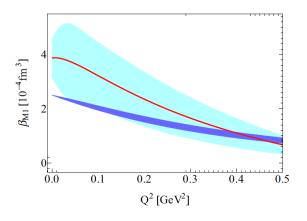
Generalized polarizabilities of the nucleon in baryon chiral perturbation theory

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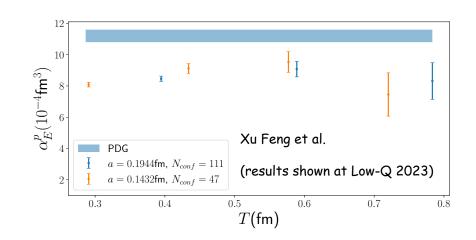




Theory: Lattice QCD

Lattice QCD results for the static polarizabilities

Next step: Lattice QCD calculations for the GPs



Spatial dependence of induced polarizations

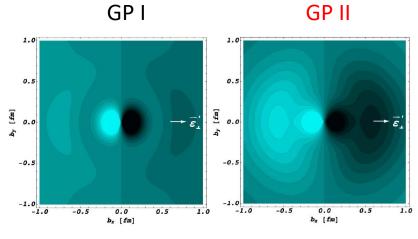
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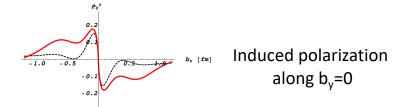
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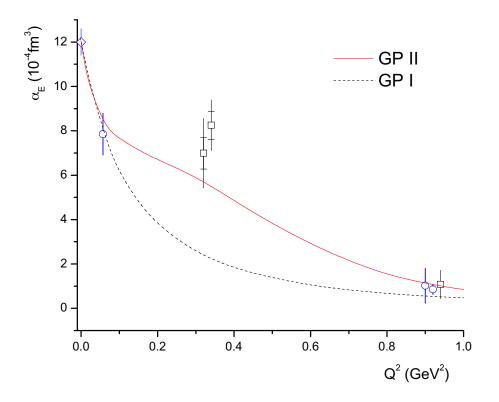
Induced polarization in a proton when submitted to an e.m. field

Phys. Rev. Lett. 104, 112001 (2010) M. Gorchtein, C. Lorce, B. Pasquini, M. Vanderhaeghen



Light (dark) regions → largest (smaller) values (photon polarization along x-axis, as indicated)





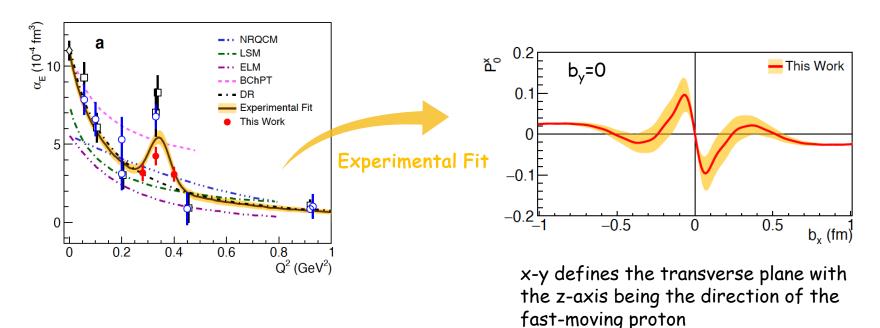
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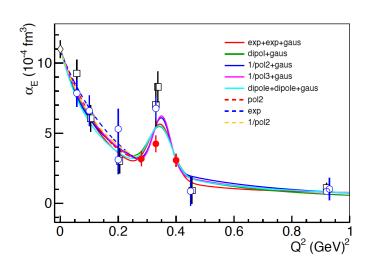
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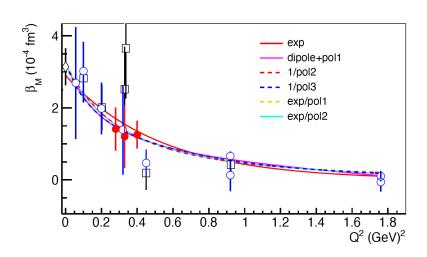


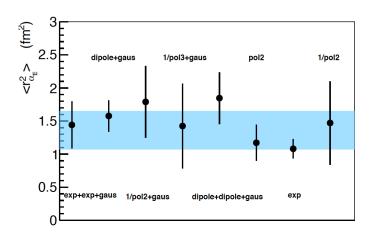
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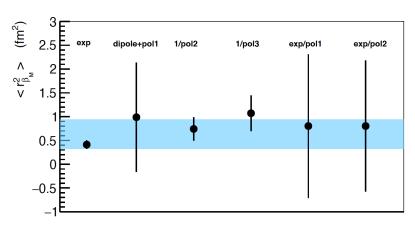
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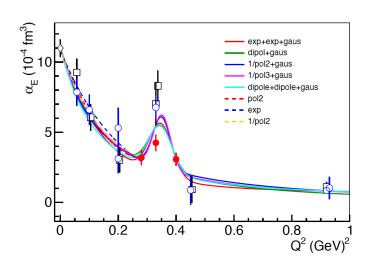
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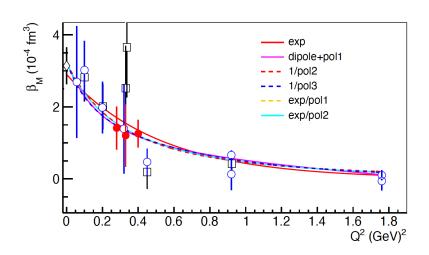
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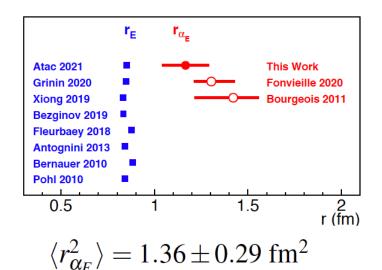
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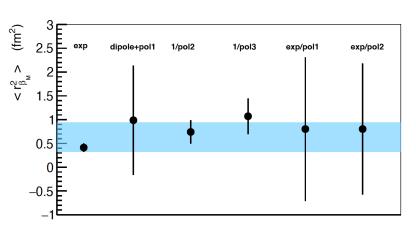
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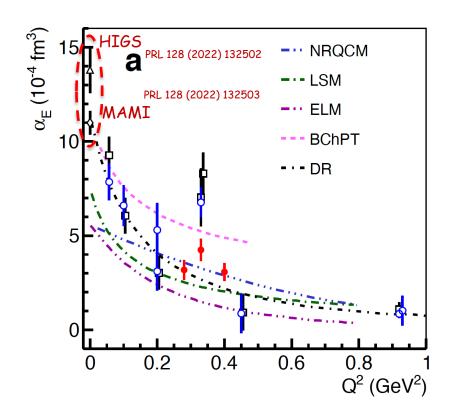


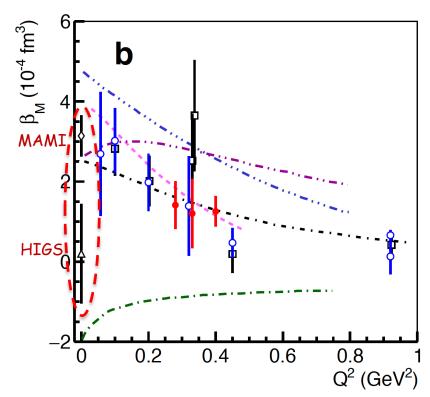




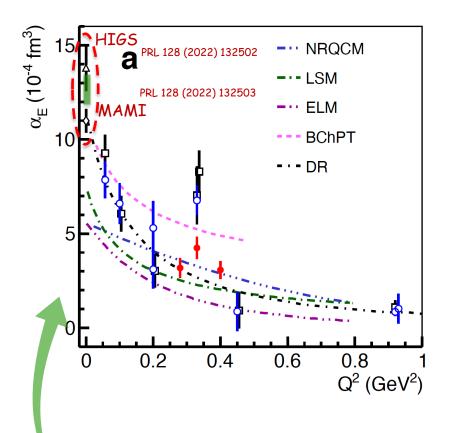
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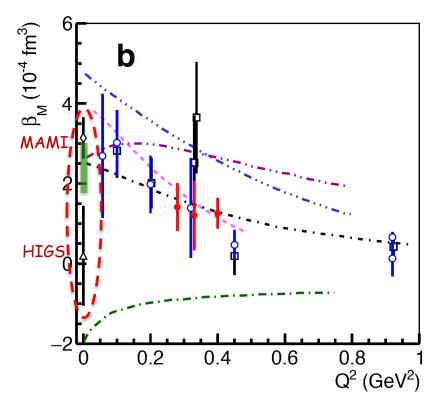
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First Concurrent Extraction of the Leading-Order Scalar and Spin Proton Polarizabilities

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We performed the first simultaneous extraction of the six leading-order proton polarizabilities. We reached this milestone thanks to both new high-quality experimental data and an innovative bootstrap-based fitting method. These new results provide a self-consistent and fundamental benchmark for all future theoretical and experimental polarizability estimates.

$$\begin{split} \alpha_{E1} &= [12.7 \pm 0.8 (\text{fit}) \pm 0.1 (\text{model})] \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3, \\ \beta_{M1} &= [2.4 \pm 0.6 (\text{fit}) \pm 0.1 (\text{model})] \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3, \\ \gamma_{E1E1} &= [-3.0 \pm 0.6 (\text{fit}) \pm 0.4 (\text{model})] \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^4, \\ \gamma_{M1M1} &= [3.7 \pm 0.5 (\text{fit}) \pm 0.1 (\text{model})] \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^4, \\ \gamma_{E1M2} &= [-1.2 \pm 1.0 (\text{fit}) \pm 0.3 (\text{model})] \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^4, \\ \gamma_{M1E2} &= [2.0 \pm 0.7 (\text{fit}) \pm 0.4 (\text{model})] \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^4, \end{split}$$

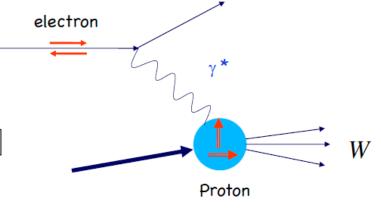
Proton spin structure and generalized polarizabilities

E08-027 (g2p) experiment at JLab

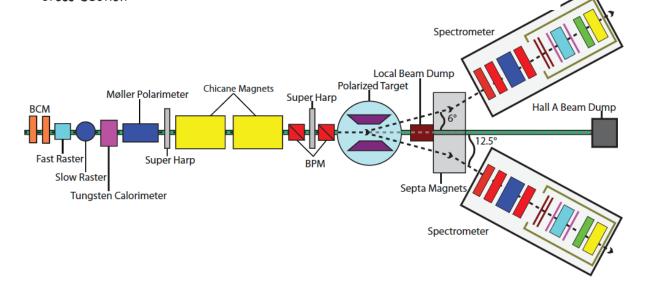
Inclusive measurement at the forward angles of the proton spin-dependent cross sections

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \sigma_{Mott} \left[\frac{1}{\nu} F_2(x, Q^2) + \frac{2}{M} F_1(x, Q^2) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right]$$

$$+ \gamma g_1(x, Q^2) + \delta g_2(x, Q^2)$$



Inclusive <u>Polarized</u> Cross Section



Hall A

Long. polarized electron beam

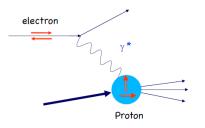
Long. / trans. polarized solid ammonia target

Three beam energies (1.71, 2.25, 3.35 GeV)

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g2p results: Structure Functions

SFFs extracted from the polarized cross section differences, i.e. target proton spin parallel and perpendicular to the incoming electron spin

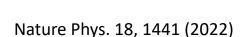


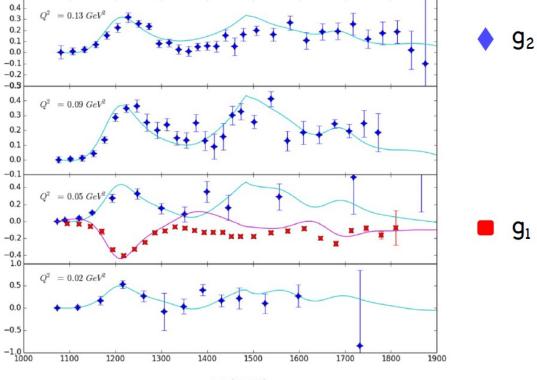
$$\Delta\sigma_{\parallel} = \tfrac{\mathsf{d}^2\sigma}{\mathsf{d}\varOmega\mathsf{d}E'}(\downarrow \uparrow \uparrow - \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow)$$

$$\Delta \sigma_{\perp} = \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \sigma}{\mathrm{d} \, \Omega \, \mathrm{d} F'} (\downarrow \Rightarrow -\uparrow \Rightarrow)$$

$$g_1(x, Q^2) = K_1 \left[\Delta \sigma_{\parallel} \left(1 + \frac{1}{K_2} \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right] + \frac{2g_2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{K_2 y}$$

$$g_2(x, Q^2) = \frac{K_1 y}{2} \left[\Delta \sigma_\perp \left(K_2 + \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right] - \frac{g_1 y}{2}$$





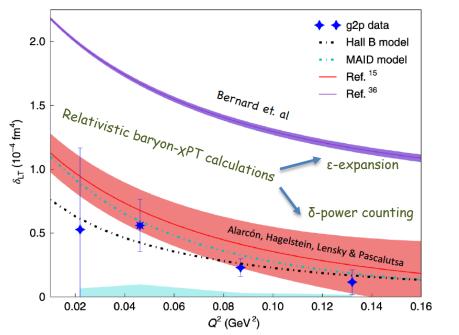
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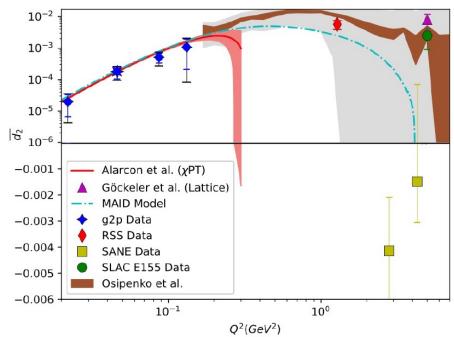
g2p results: spin polarizabilities: higher moments of spin SFs

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$$\delta_{LT}(Q^2) = \frac{4e^2M^2}{\pi Q^6} \int_0^{x_0} dx \, x^2 \, \left\{ g_1(x, Q^2) + g_2(x, Q^2) \right\}$$

$$\overline{d_2}(Q^2) = \int_0^{x_0} x^2 \left(2g_1(x, Q^2) + 3g_2(x, Q^2) \right) dx$$



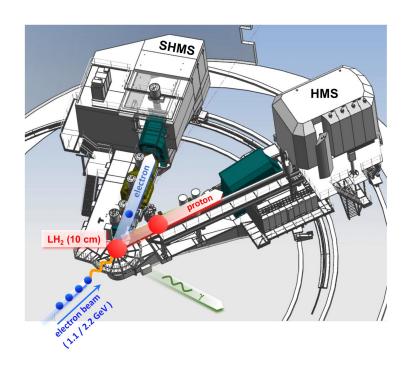


First & high precision measurements

Benchmark for a precise discrimination of theoretical calculations

Moving Forward

VCS-II (E12-23-001) @ JLab



Extend Q² range & targeted measurements to fully exploit the sensitivity to the EM GPs

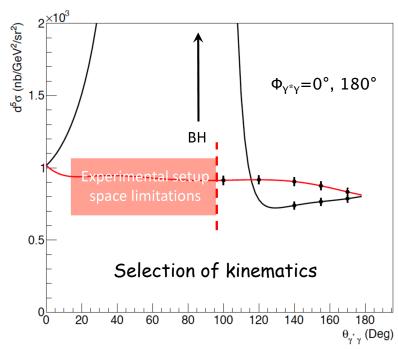
Production $(E_o = 1.1 \, GeV)$:

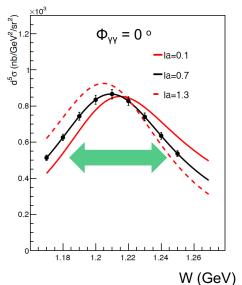
6 days

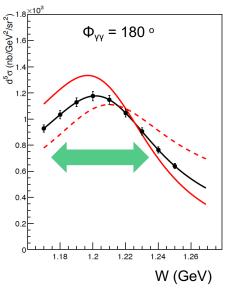
Production ($E_o = 2.2 \text{ GeV}$): 53 days

Studies (optics/dummy/calibrations): 3 days

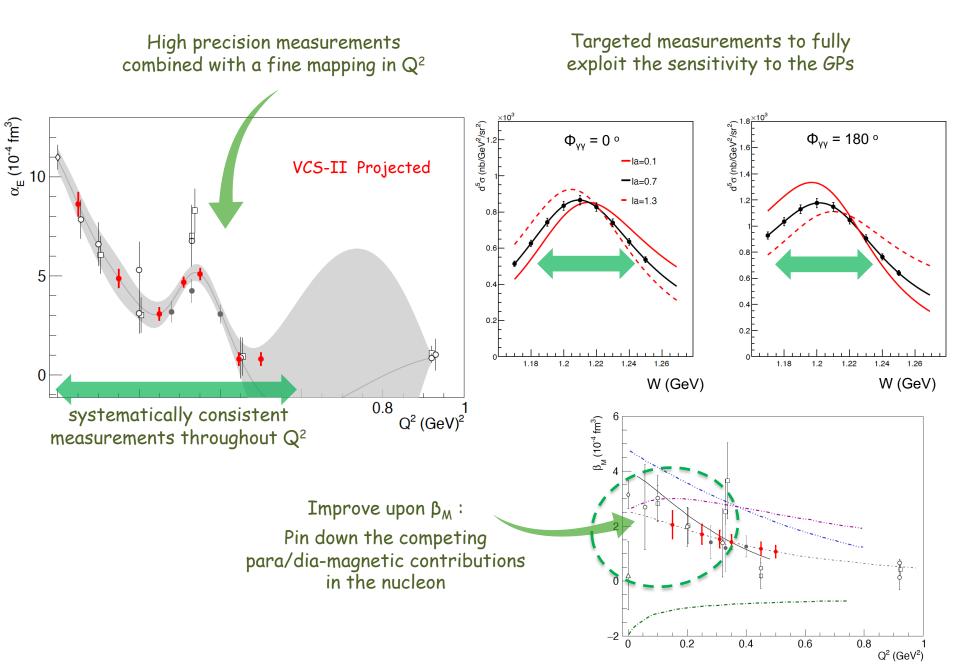
Total: 62 days







VCS-II Projected Measurements



Can we measure with a different method?

Yes: positrons and/or beam spin asymmetries

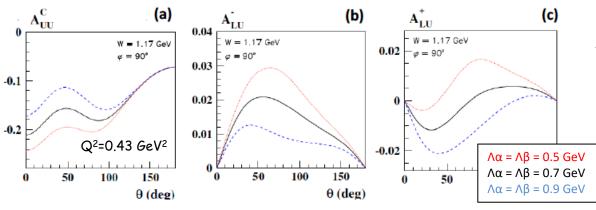
Positrons allow for an <u>independent path</u> to access experimentally the GPs

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Virtual Compton scattering at low energies with a positron beam

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- (a): The beam-charge asymmetry as a function of the photon scattering angle at Q2 = 0.43 GeV 2.
- (b) & (c): The electron and positron beam-spin asymmetry as a function of the photon scattering angle for out-of-plane kinematics.

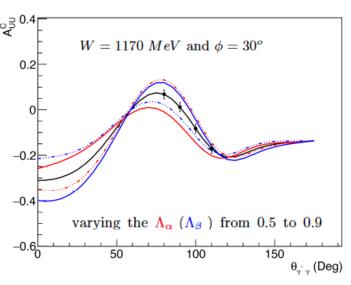
Unpolarized beam charge asymmetry (BCA):
$$A_{UU}^C = \frac{(d\sigma_+^+ + d\sigma_-^+) - (d\sigma_+^- + d\sigma_-^-)}{d\sigma_+^+ + d\sigma_-^+ + d\sigma_-^-}$$

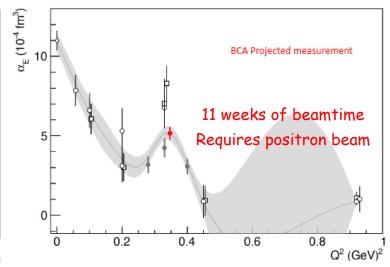
Lepton beam spin asymmetry (BSA):
$$A_{LU}^e = \frac{d\sigma_+^e - d\sigma_-^e}{d\sigma_+^e + d\sigma_-^e}$$

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BCA (electrons & positrons)



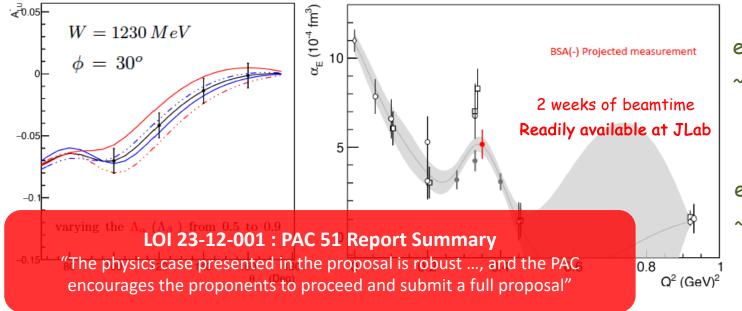


Hall C (SHMS / HMS)

 e^- : ~ 1 week @ 50 μA

 e^+ : ~ 10 weeks @ 5 μA

BSA (electrons or positrons)



- e⁻ (pol. 85% @ 70 μA)
- ~ 2 weeks of beamtime

or

- e⁺ (pol. 60% @ 50 nA)
- ~ 3 orders of magnitude more beamtime

Summary

Progress measuring proton's fundamental properties

Insight to spatial deformation of the nucleon densities under an applied EM field, interplay of para/dia-magnetic mechanisms in the proton, spin-dependent response to an EM field, polarizability radii, ...

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\label{eq:energy}  \mbox{Electric $GP$: } \begin{cases} \mbox{possibility for a non-trivial (non-monotonic) behavior in $a_E(Q^2)$} \\ \mbox{(albeit with a smaller magnitude than originally suggested)} \\ \mbox{or} \\ \mbox{at minimum: strong tension between world data} \end{cases}
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Experiment ahead of theory:

Stringent constraints to theoretical predictions

High precision benchmark data for upcoming LQCD calculations

Future measurements:

Pin down precisely the shape of the a_E structure (if it exists) - important input for the theory

Independent cross-check
Measure via a different channel (BS asymmetries & positrons)