

# Directions in Hadron Physics (Experiment)



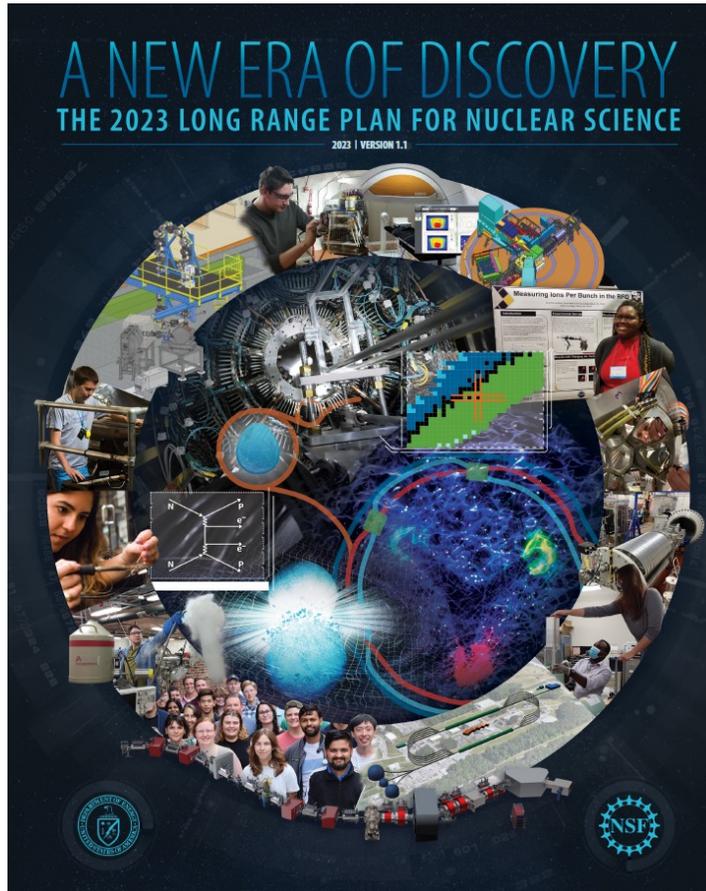
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# The Fundamental Structure of Visible Matter



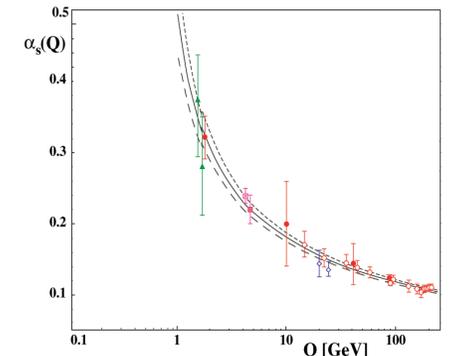
- How does QCD generate the spectrum and structure of conventional and exotic hadrons?
- How do the mass and spin of the nucleon emerge from the quarks and gluons inside and their dynamics?
- How are the pressure and shear forces distributed inside the nucleon?
- How does the quark–gluon structure of the nucleon change when bound in a nucleus?
- How are hadrons formed from quarks and gluons produced in high-energy collisions?

## Hadron properties and structure

## Nuclei and QCD

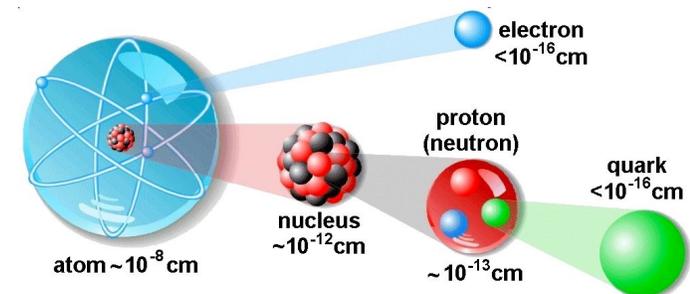
## Hadronization: forming QCD bound states

## Spectrum of excited hadrons



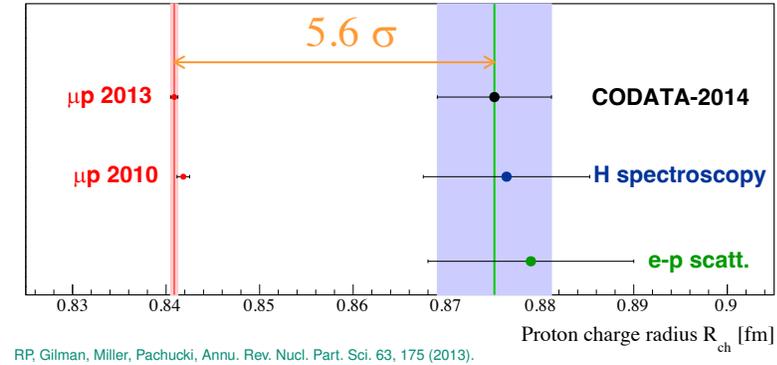
<https://science.osti.gov/-/media/np/nsac/pdf/202310/NSAC-LRP-2023-v12.pdf>  
<https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.02579>

Disclaimer: not a review talk, not a summary talk, refs: NSAC LRP report, QCD Town Meeting and the whitepaper; I apologize in advance if your favorite topic is not included.

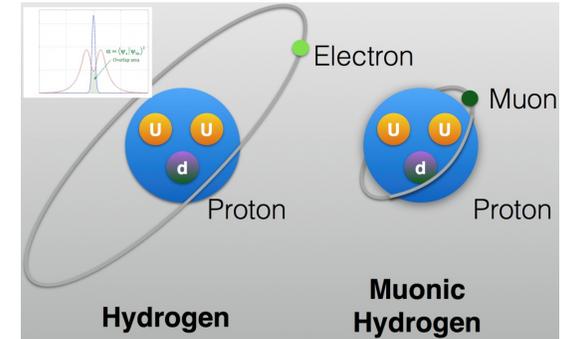
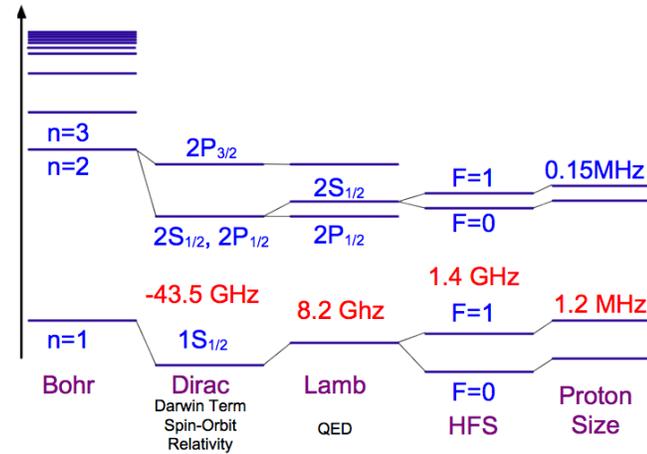


# Size of the Proton: Charge Radius and the puzzle

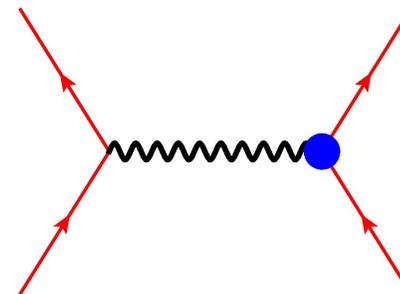
- Proton charge radius:
  - A fundamental quantity for proton
  - Important for understanding how QCD works
  - An important physics input to the bound state QED calculation, affects muonic H Lamb shift ( $2S_{1/2} - 2P_{1/2}$ ) by as much as 2%, and critical in determining the Rydberg constant



- Methods to measure the proton charge radius:
  - Hydrogen spectroscopy (**atomic physics**)
    - Ordinary hydrogen
    - Muonic hydrogen
  - Lepton-proton elastic scattering (**nuclear physics**)
    - $ep$  elastic scattering (like PRad)
    - $\mu p$  elastic scattering (like MUSE, AMBER)



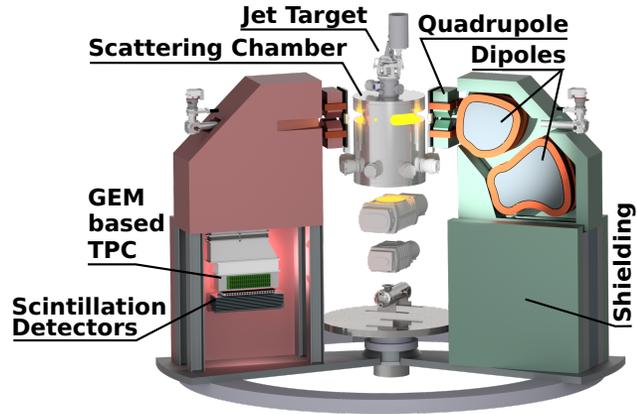
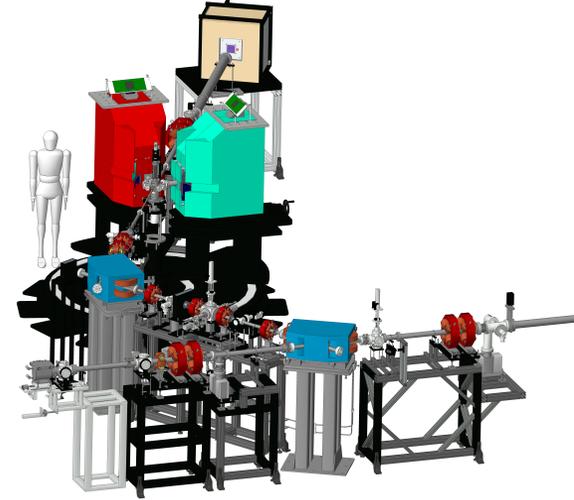
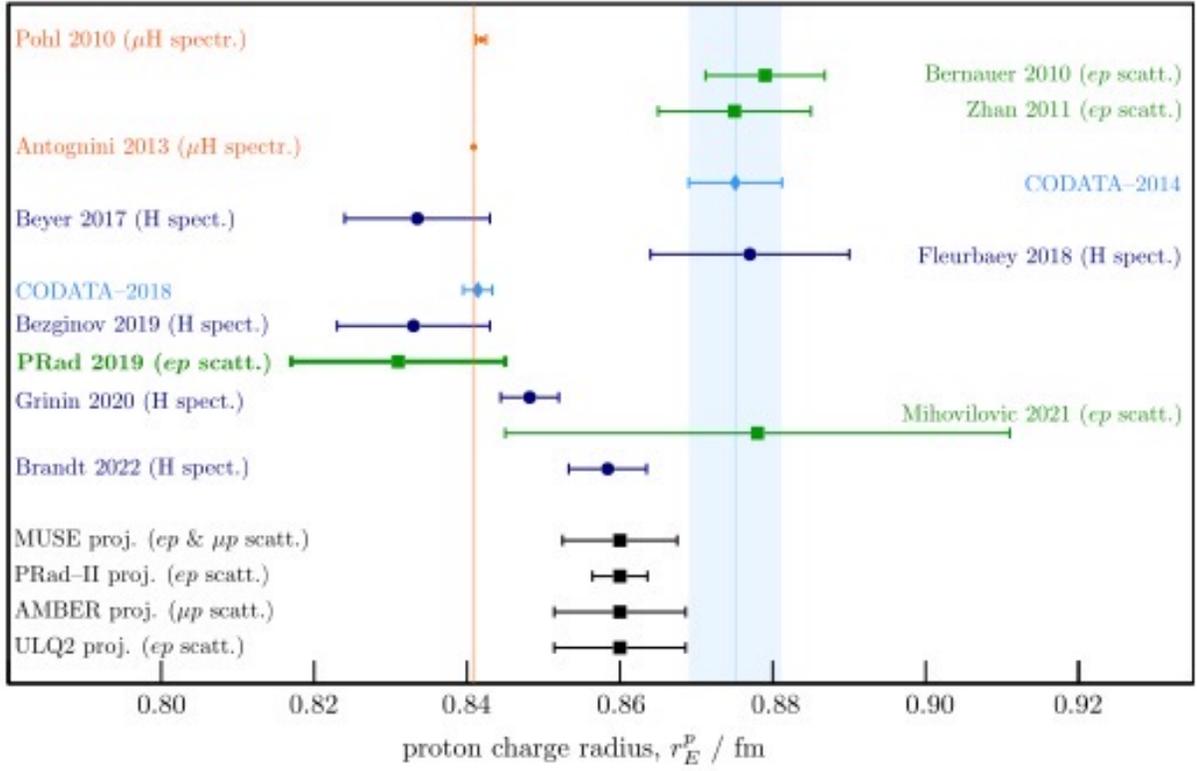
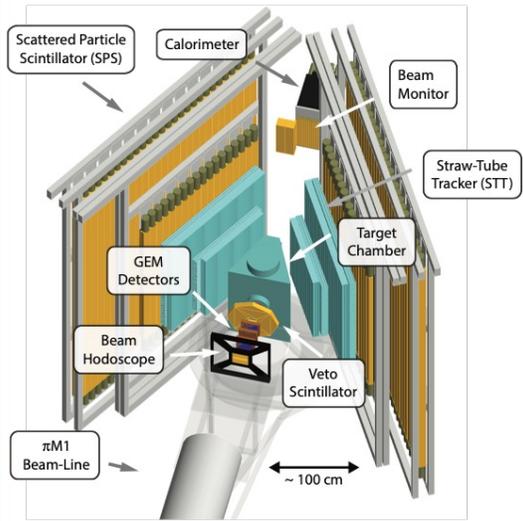
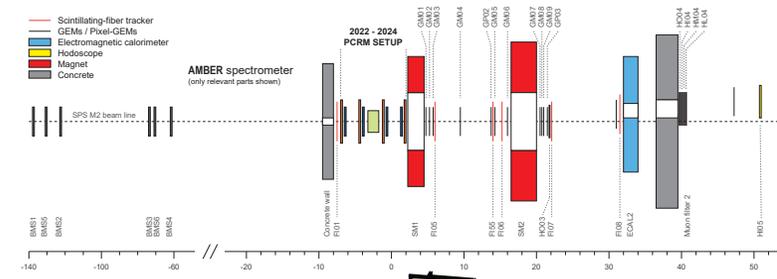
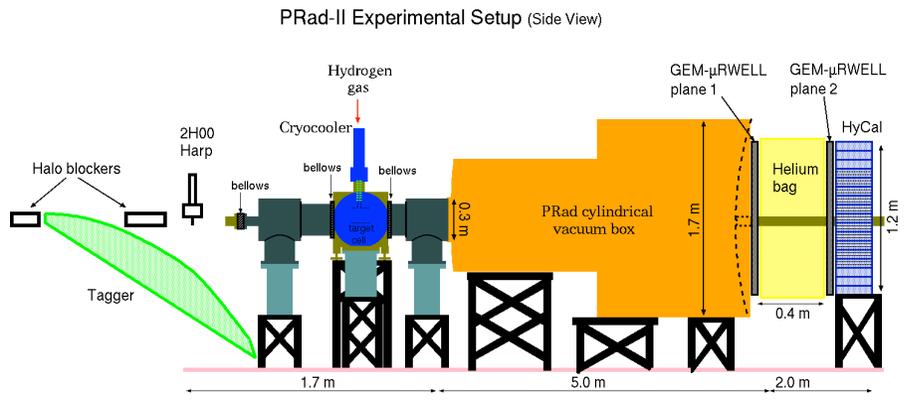
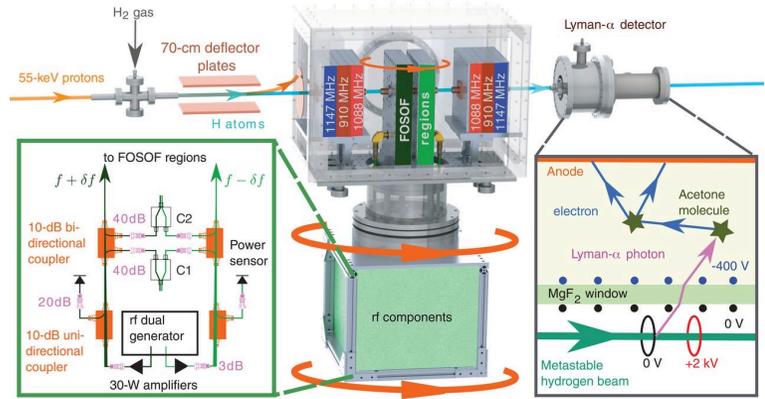
- Important point: the proton radius measured in lepton scattering is defined in the same way as in atomic spectroscopy (G.A. Miller, 2019)



$$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle} = \sqrt{-6 \frac{dG(q^2)}{dq^2} \Big|_{q^2=0}}$$

Nucleon EM form factors covered by  
Z.-E. Meziani, A. Puckett @EINN2023

# World-wide effort in Nuclear and Atomic Physics on Proton Charge Radius



# FIRST EXTRACTION OF GLUONIC SCALAR/MASS RADIUS OF THE NUCLEON

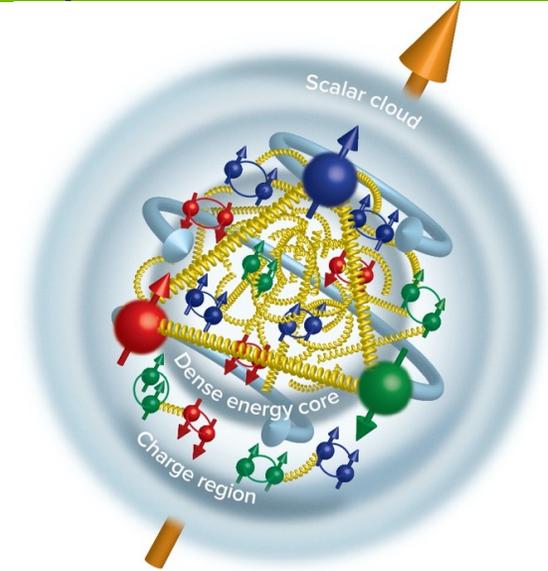
A picture of three zones?

B. Duran *et al.*, Nature 615, 813 (2023)

## Definition of gluonic mass and scalar radius

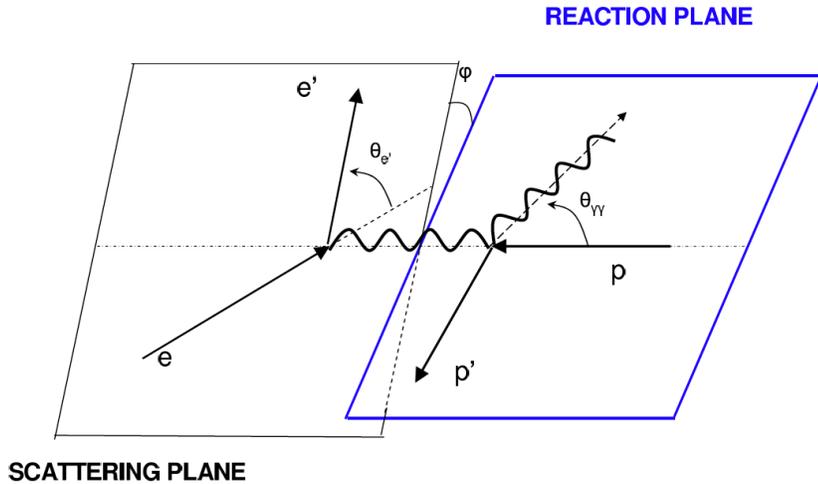
$$\langle r_m^2 \rangle_g = 6 \frac{1}{A_g(0)} \frac{dA_g(t)}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} - 6 \frac{1}{A_g(0)} \frac{C_g(0)}{M_N^2}$$

$$\langle r_s^2 \rangle_g = 6 \frac{1}{A_g(0)} \frac{dA_g(t)}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} - 18 \frac{1}{A_g(0)} \frac{C_g(0)}{M_N^2}$$



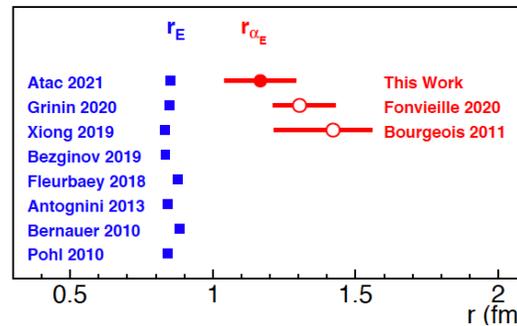
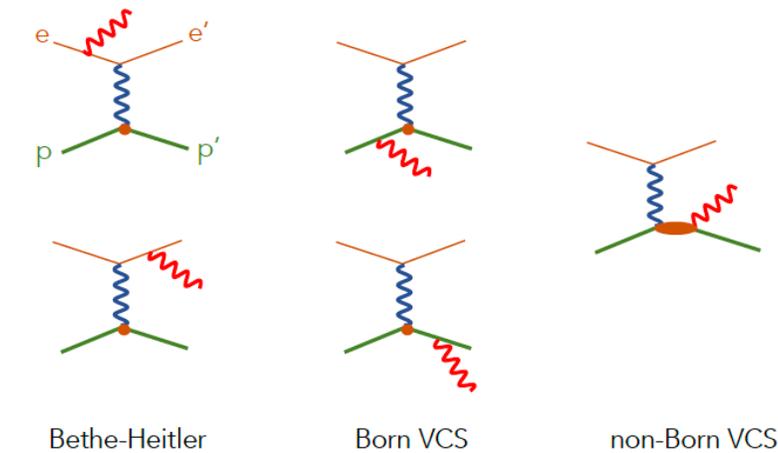
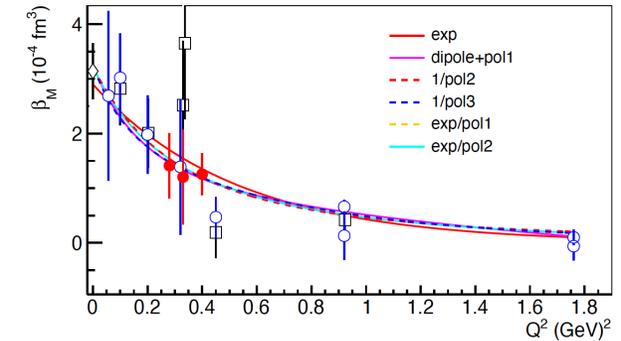
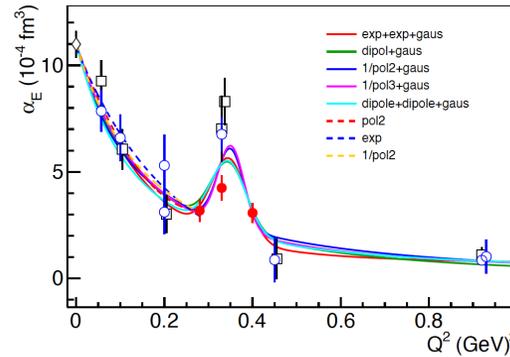
Theoretical approach	$\chi^2/\text{n.d.f}$	$m_A$ (GeV)	$m_C$ (GeV)	$C_g(0)$	$\sqrt{\langle r_m^2 \rangle_g}$ (fm)	$\sqrt{\langle r_s^2 \rangle_g}$ (fm)
GFF functional form						
Holographic QCD Tripole-tripole	0.925	$1.575 \pm 0.059$	$1.12 \pm 0.21$	$-0.45 \pm 0.132$	$0.755 \pm 0.067$	$1.069 \pm 0.126$
GPD Tripole-tripole	0.924	$2.71 \pm 0.19$	$1.28 \pm 0.50$	$-0.20 \pm 0.11$	$0.472 \pm 0.085$	$0.695 \pm 0.162$
Lattice Tripole-tripole		$1.641 \pm 0.043$	$1.07 \pm 0.12$	$-0.483 \pm 0.133$	$0.7464 \pm 0.055$	$1.073 \pm 0.114$

# Virtual Compton Scattering and Proton Polarizability Radii

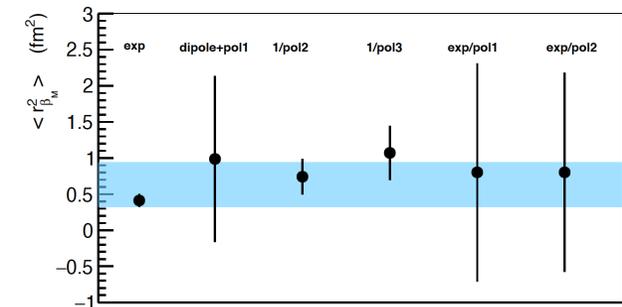


$$\langle r_{\alpha_E}^2 \rangle = \frac{-6}{\alpha_E(0)} \cdot \frac{d}{dQ^2} \alpha_E(Q^2) \Big|_{Q^2=0}$$

$$\langle r_{\beta_M}^2 \rangle = \frac{-6}{\beta_M(0)} \cdot \frac{d}{dQ^2} \beta_M(Q^2) \Big|_{Q^2=0}$$



$$\langle r_{\alpha_E}^2 \rangle = 1.36 \pm 0.29 \text{ fm}^2$$



$$\langle r_{\beta_M}^2 \rangle = 0.63 \pm 0.31 \text{ fm}^2$$

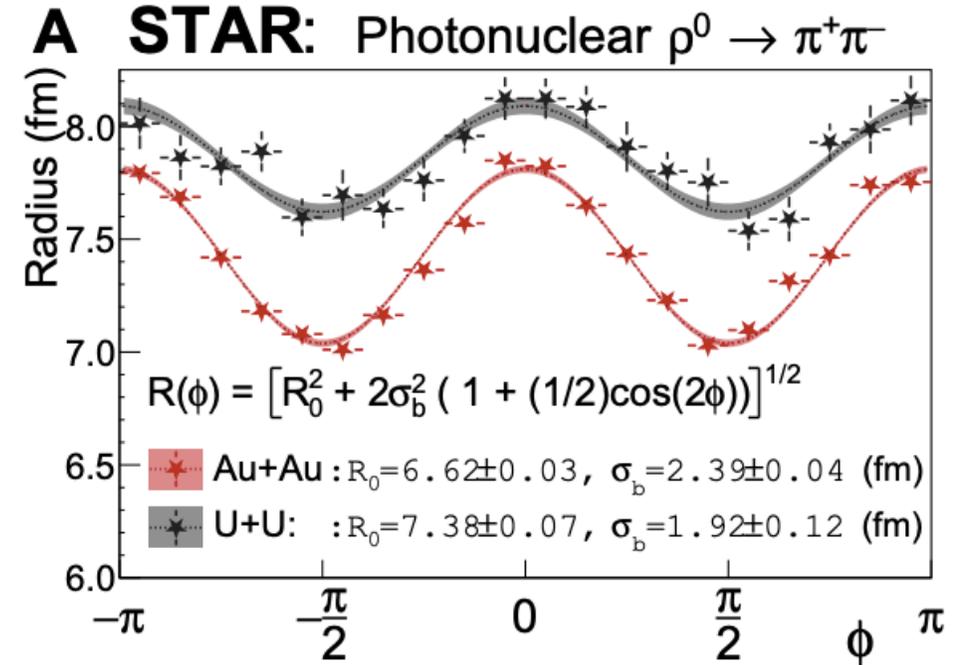
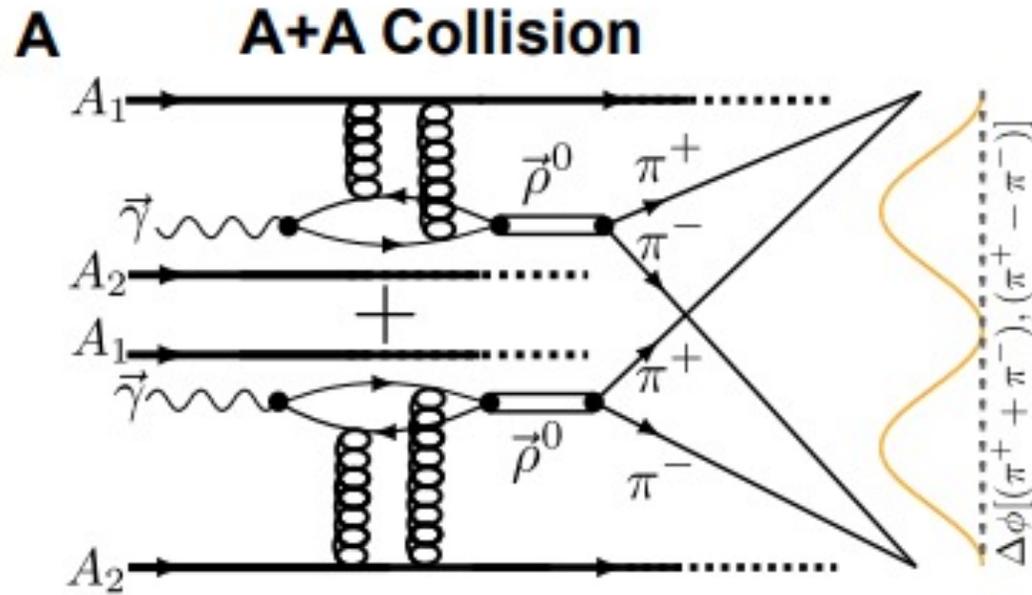
Elastic FFs

Generalized polarizabilities

R. Li *et al.*, Nature 611, 265 (2022)

Real Compton Scattering experiments at Mainz and H $\gamma$ S and nucleon EM and spin polarizabilities

# Tomography of Ultra-relativistic Nuclei with Gamma + A Collisions

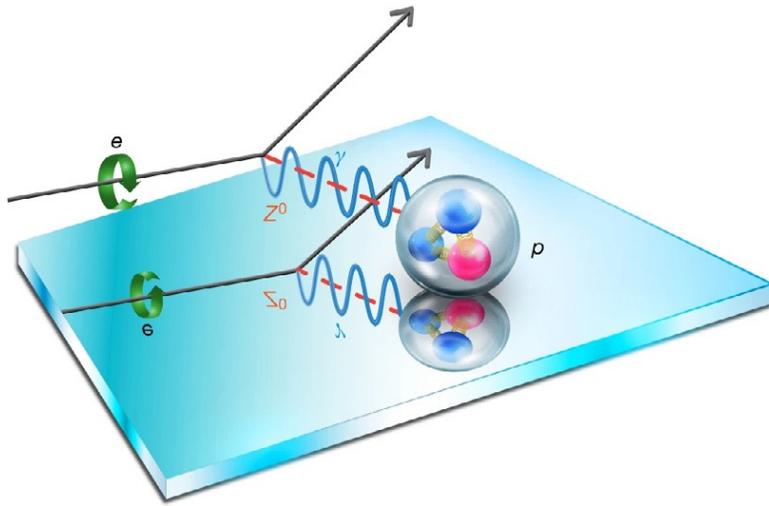


Quantum interference enabled nuclear tomography:

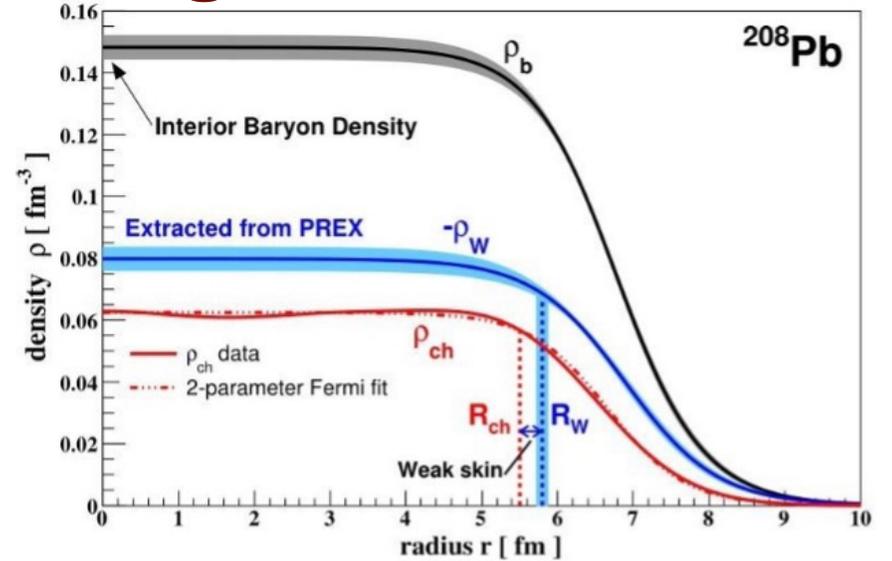
- A novel approach to extract the strong-interaction nuclear radii, which were found to be larger than the nuclear charge radii

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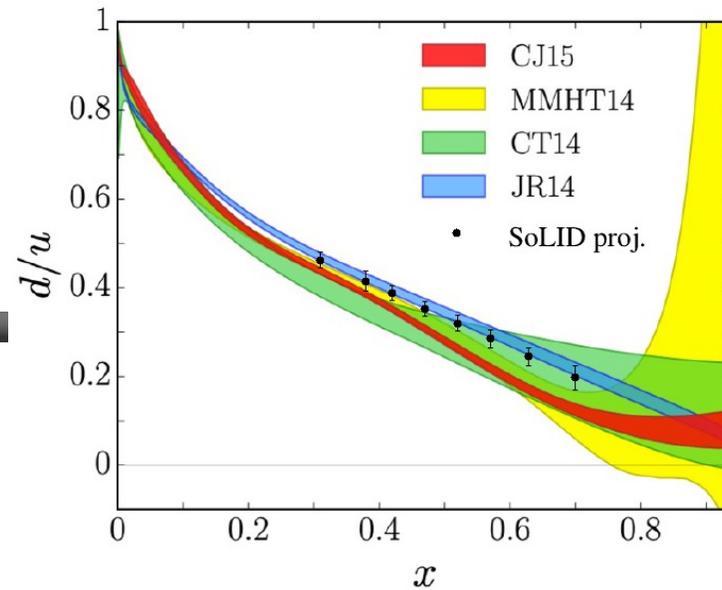
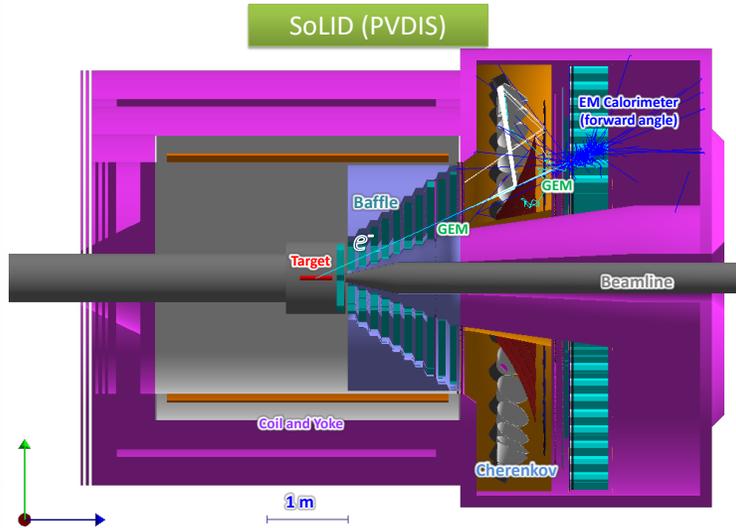
# Parity-Violating Electron Scattering



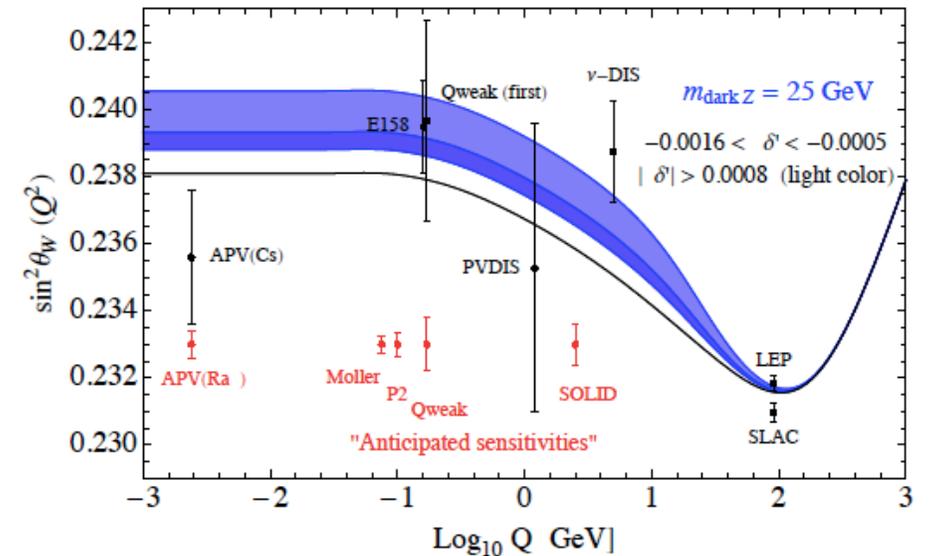
Powerful experimental technique impacting hadron physics, nuclear structure, neutron stars, Standard Model (SM) tests and beyond SM searches



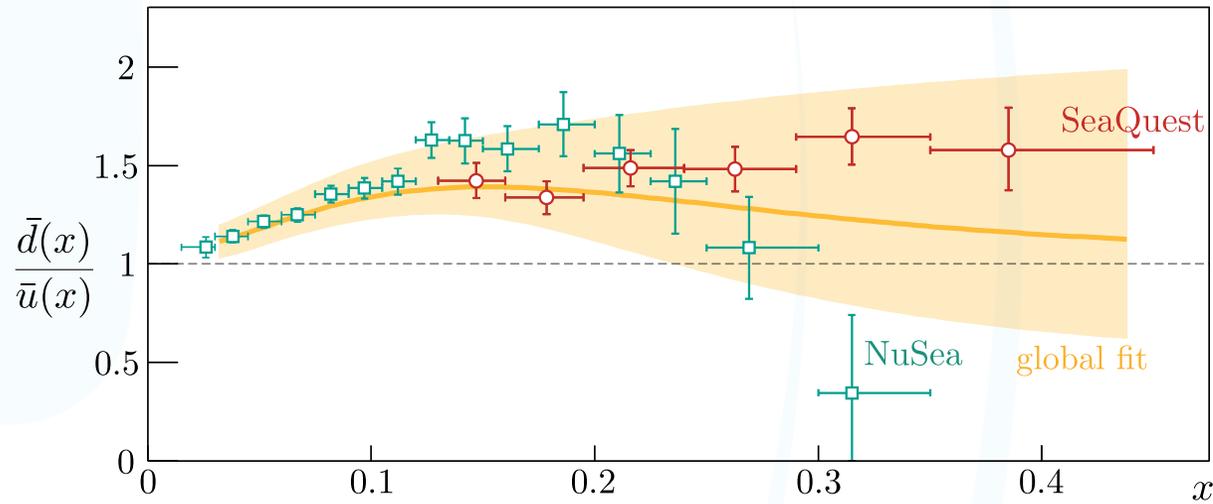
D. Adhikari *et al.* (PREX Collaboration)  
Phys. Rev. Lett. **126**, 172502 (2021)



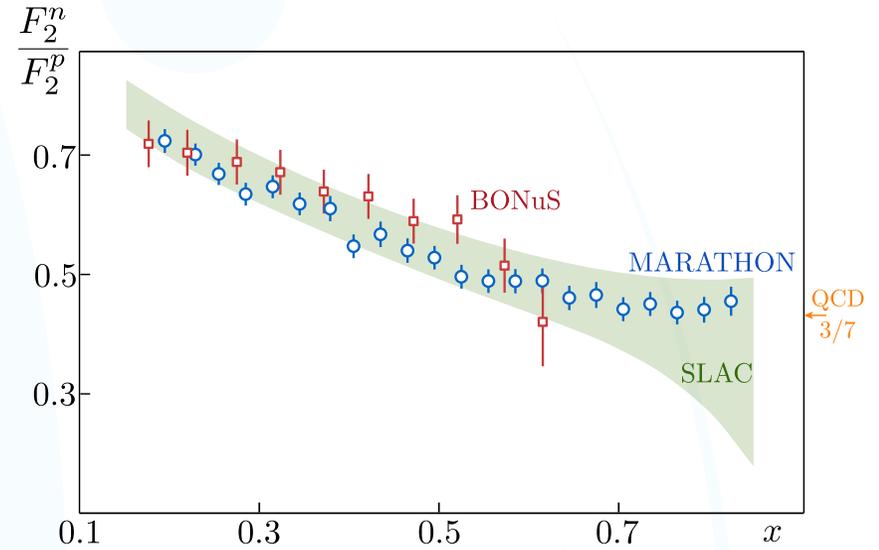
A. Denig on P2@MESA, EINN2023



# HOW ARE QUARKS DISTRIBUTED IN THE NUCLEON?

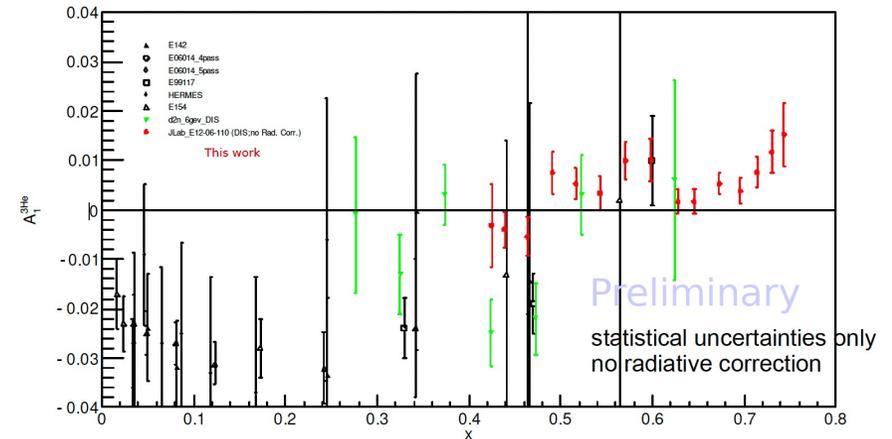
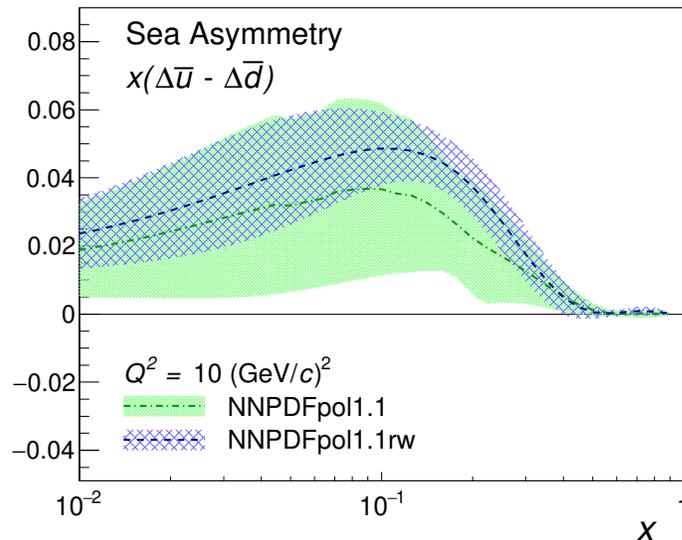


J. Dove *et al.*, *Nature* **590**, 561 (2021)



D. Abrams *et al.*, PRL **128**, 132003 (2022), BoNuS12 results  
Future SoLID model independent extraction of  $d(x)/u(x)$   
from PVDIS (previous slide)

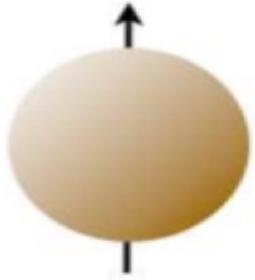
Complementary information from RHIC from W- and Z-bosons production in proton-proton (pp) collisions, and polarized sea from W production from polarized proton-proton collisions



• Credit to Mingyu Chen (UVA)

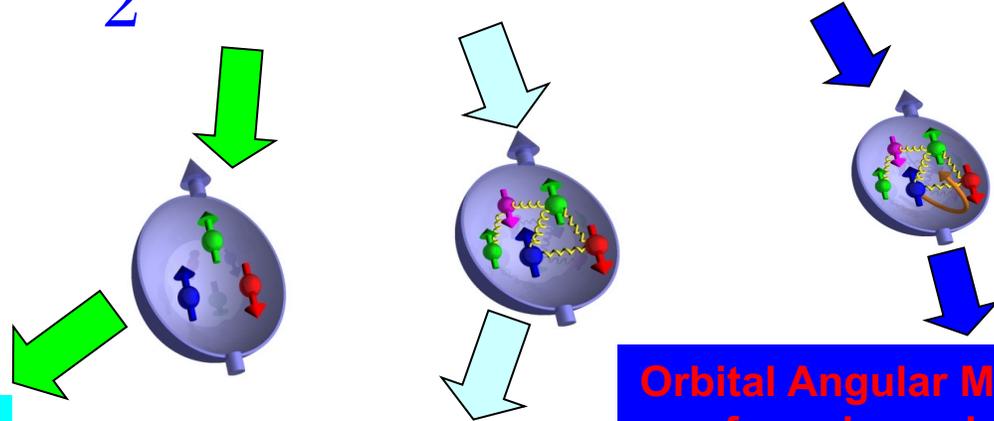
# The nucleon spin puzzle

PRD 105 (2022) 092011



Proton Spin

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + (L_q + L_g)$$



**Quark helicity**  
Best known

**Gluon helicity**  
Start to know

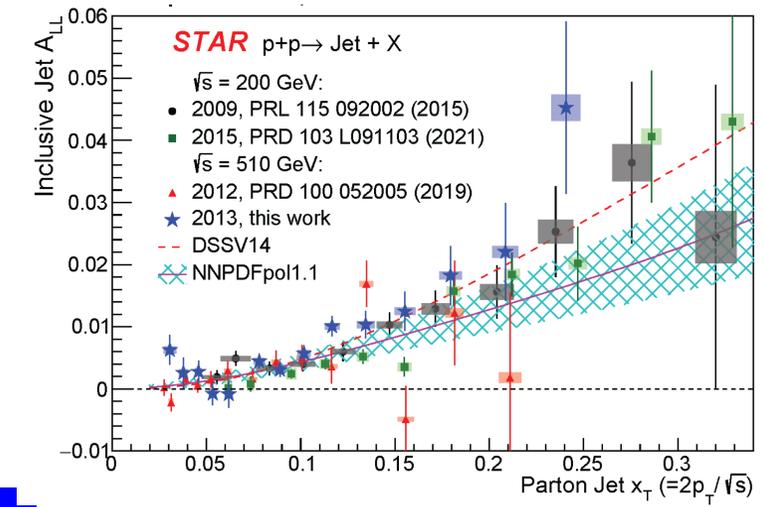
**Orbital Angular Momentum of quarks and gluons**  
Little known

$$\frac{1}{2} \int dx (\Delta u + \Delta \bar{u} + \Delta d + \Delta \bar{d} + \Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}) \sim 30\%$$

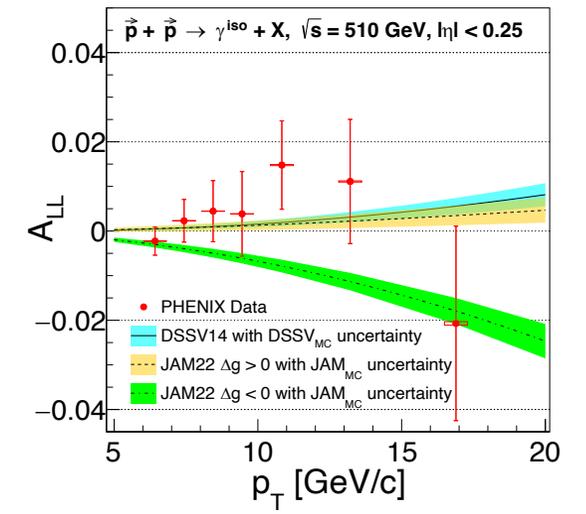
$$\Delta G = \int dx \Delta g(x)$$

JLab spin physics highlights:  
Spin structure in valence quark region  
Generalized spin sum rules and polarizabilities  
Tests of  $\chi$ EFT and LQCD calculations

Net effect of partons' transverse motion?



PHENIX PRL 130 (2023) 2519201



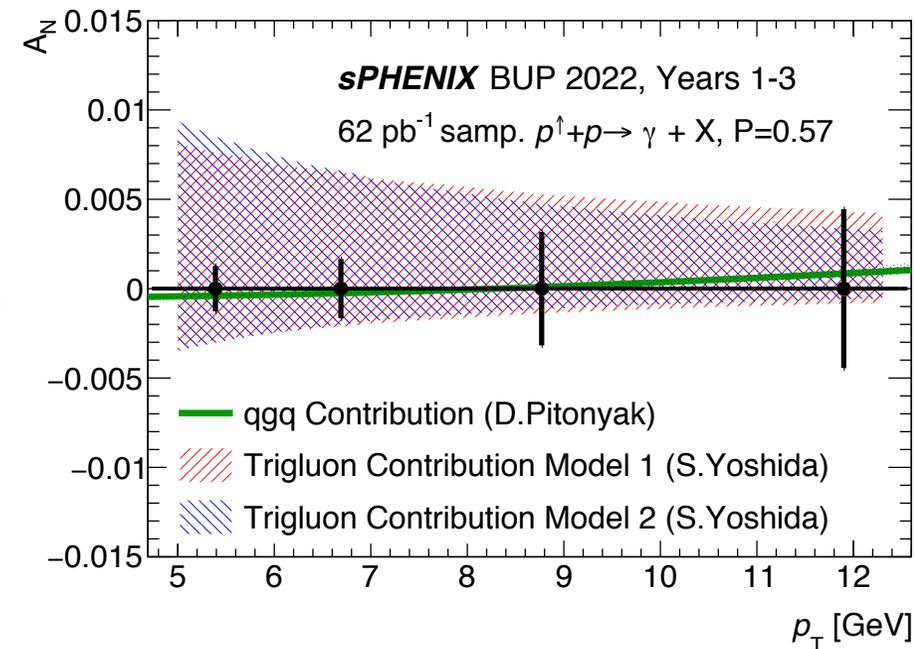
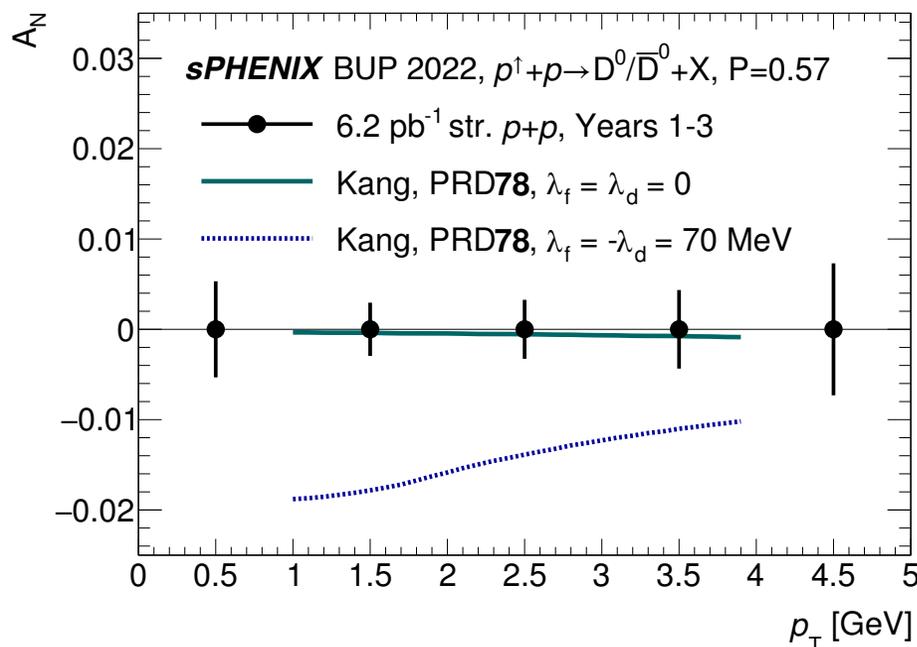
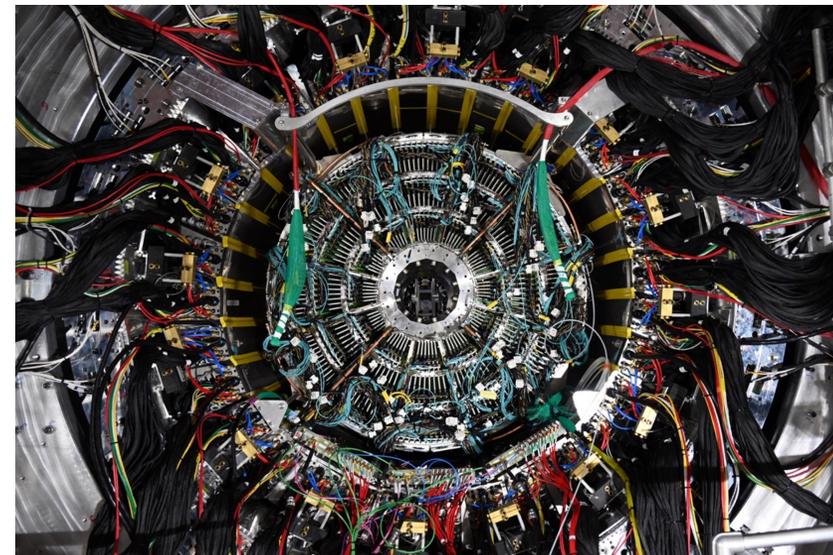
# Spin Physics with sPHENIX



First direct photon  $A_N$  extracted at RHIC by PHENIX [PRL 127, 162001 \(2021\)](#)

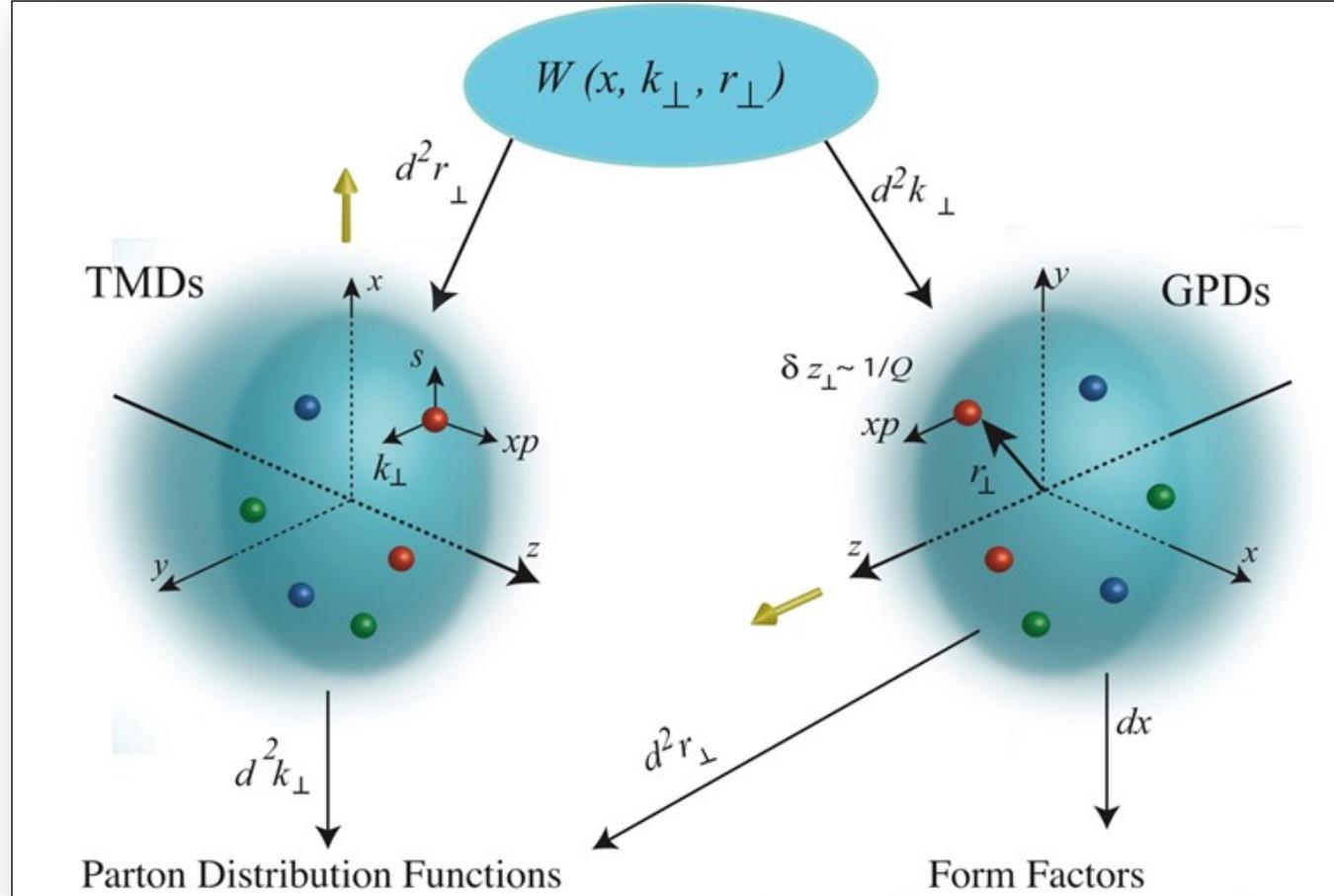
- Mostly sensitive to initial state effects (no fragmentation)  $\rightarrow$  quark-gluon and gluon-gluon correlation functions
- Power to constrain gluon-gluon correlation function as well

Measurement of  $A_N$  of heavy-flavor decay electrons by PHENIX [Phys. Rev. D 107, 052012 \(2023\)](#), probe tri-gluon correlations  
 ★ enabled by streaming readout



# Nucleon Structure from 1D to 3D & orbital motion

## 5-D Wigner distribution



Nucleon EM form factors  
core 12-GeV program  
at JLab, covered by Z.-E.  
Meziani

Generalized parton distribution (GPD)

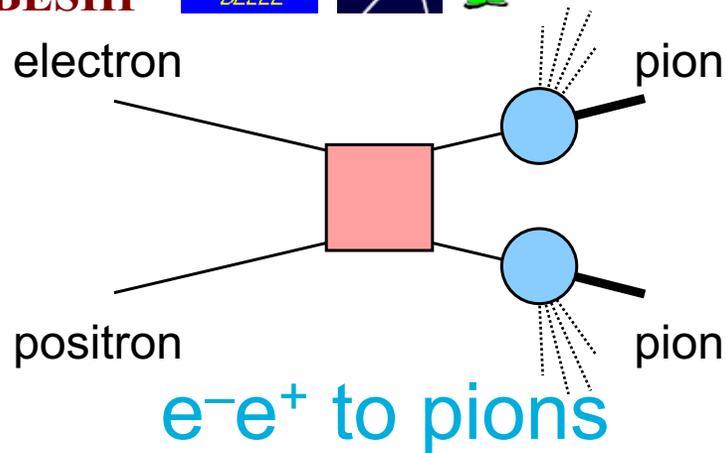
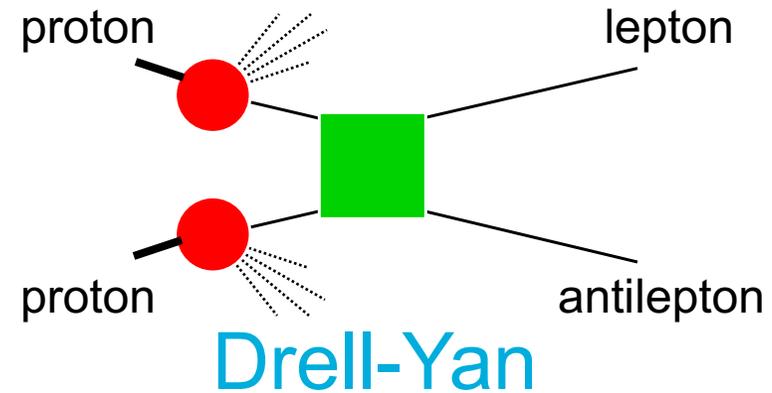
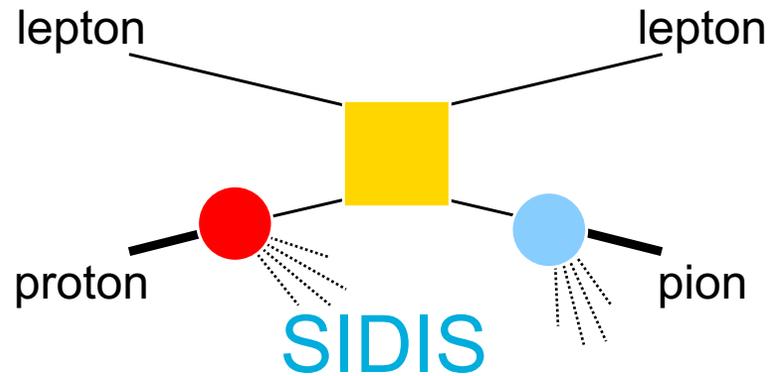
Transverse momentum dependent parton distribution (TMD)

Image from J. Dudek et al., EPJA 48,187 (2012)

X.D. Ji, PRL91, 062001 (2003);

Belitsky, Ji, Yuan, PRD69,074014 (2004)

# Access TMDs through Hard Processes



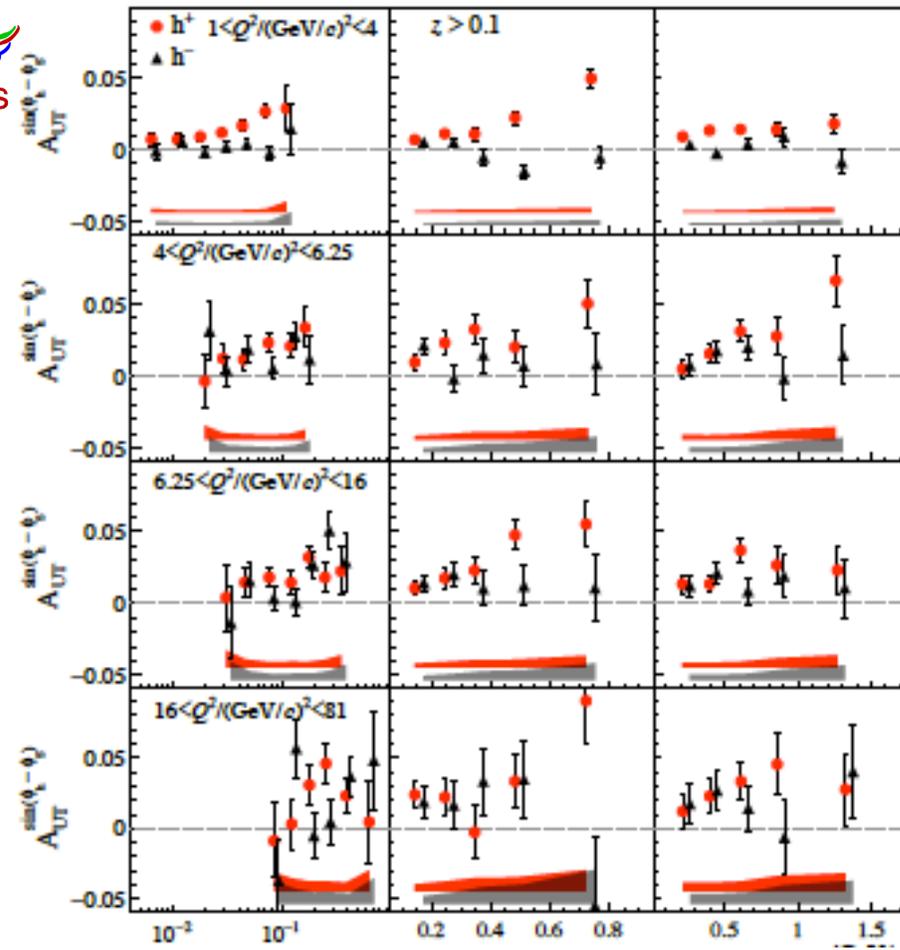
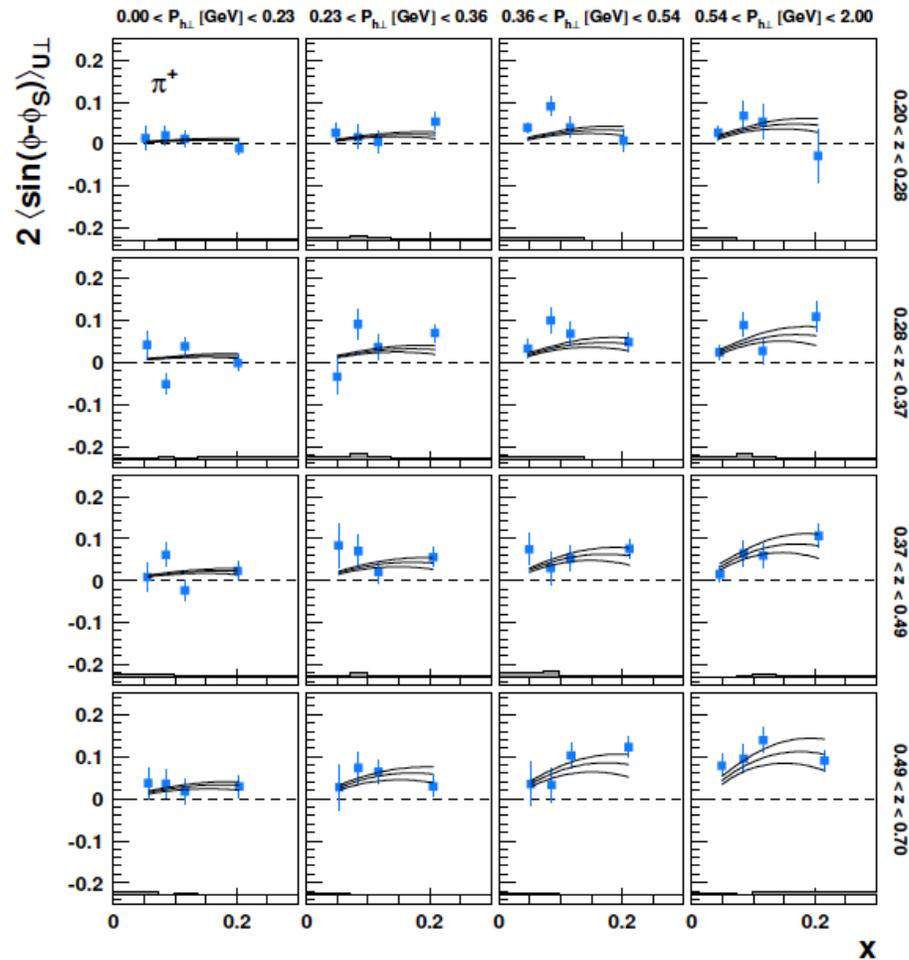
- Partonic scattering amplitude
- Fragmentation amplitude
- Distribution amplitude

$$f_{1T}^{\perp q}(\text{SIDIS}) = -f_{1T}^{\perp q}(\text{DY})$$

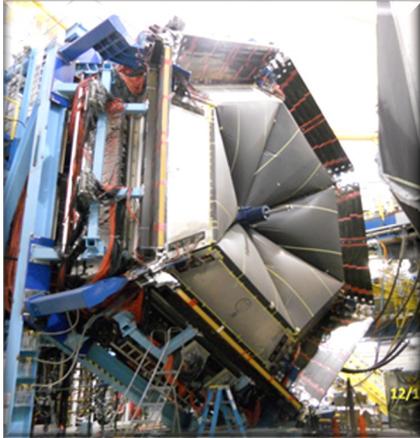
$$h_1^{\perp}(\text{SIDIS}) = -h_1^{\perp}(\text{DY})$$

# Pioneering Studies by HERMES and COMPASS

Multi-dimensional binning with precision – reduces systematics, constrain models, forms of TMDs, disentangle correlations, isolate phase-space region with large signal strength (HERMES, COMPASS)

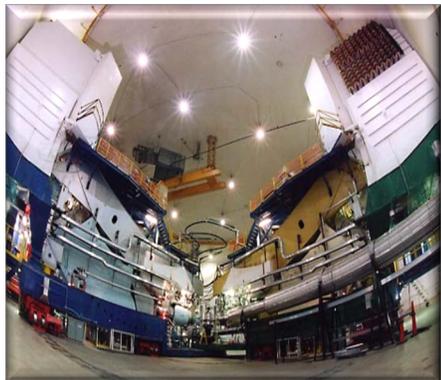
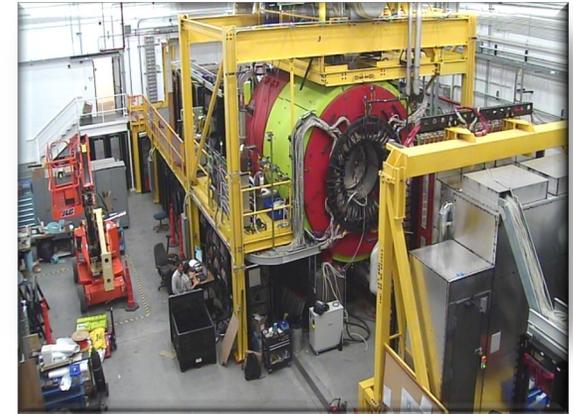


# JLab 12 GeV Scientific Capabilities



Hall D – exploring origin of **confinement** by studying **exotic mesons**

Hall B – understanding **nucleon structure** via **generalized parton distributions** and **transverse momentum distributions**



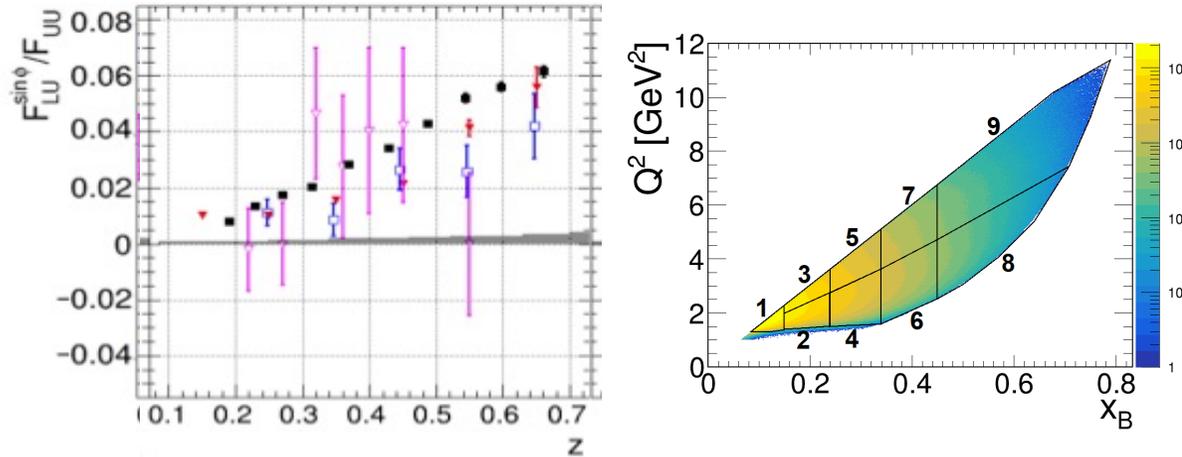
Hall C – precision determination of **valence quark** properties in nucleons and nuclei

Hall A – short range correlations, form factors, hyper-nuclear physics, **future new experiments (e.g., SoLID and MOLLER)**



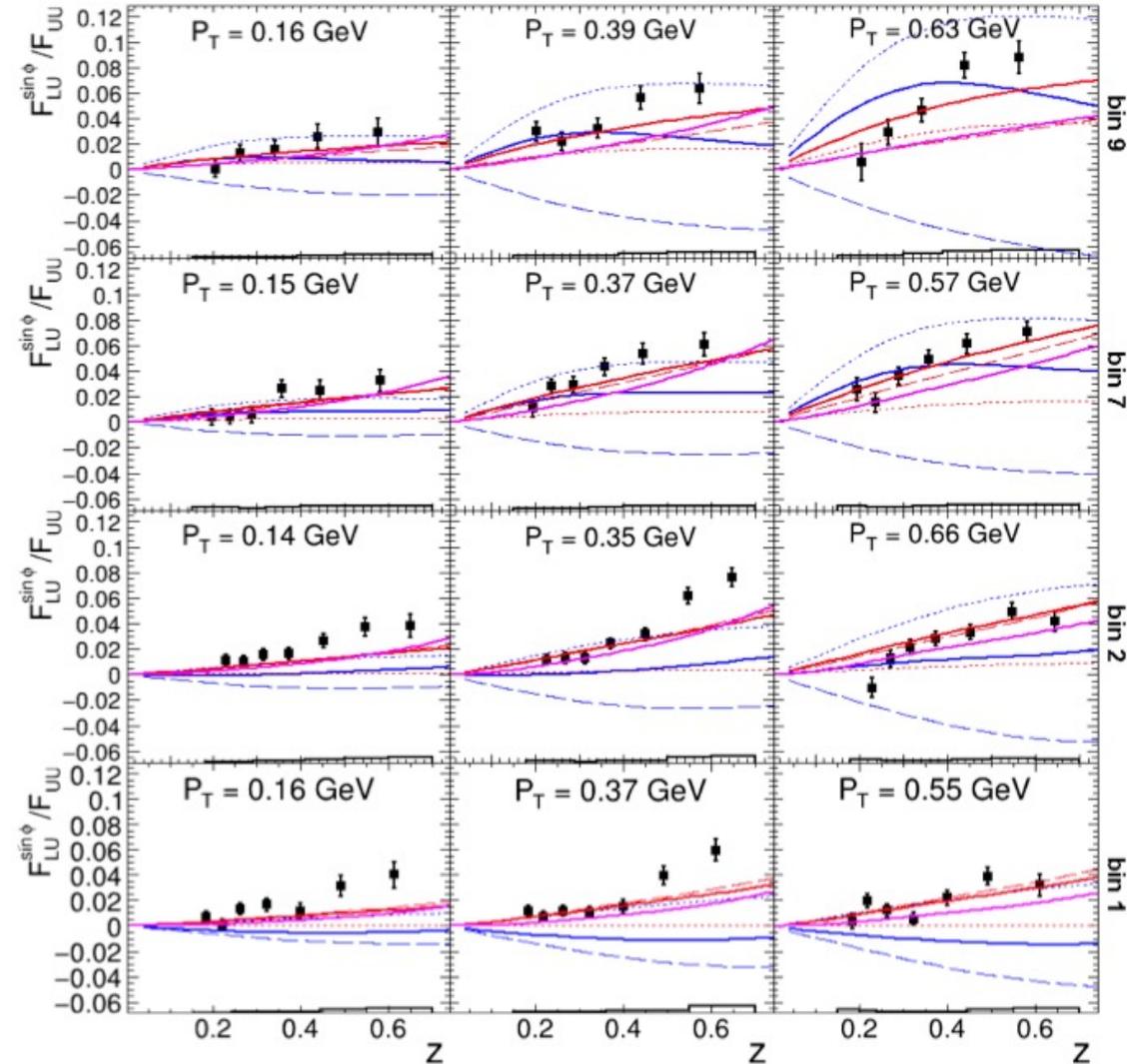
# State-of-the-art from CLAS 12

multi-dimensional binning with precision –  
reduces systematics, constrain models,  
forms of TMDs, disentangle correlations,  
isolate phase-space region with large signal  
strength (CLAS12)



**First multidimensional, high precision measurements  
of semi-inclusive  $\pi^+$  beam single spin asymmetries  
from the proton over a wide range of kinematics**

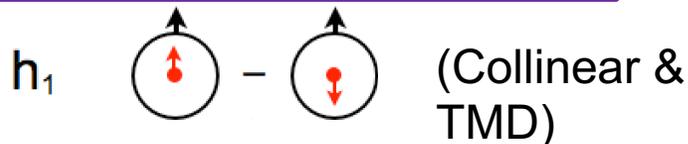
S. Diehl *et al.* (CLAS Collaboration), Phys. Rev. Lett. **128**, 062005



# SoLID@JLab:QCD at the Intensity Frontier

## Transversity and Tensor Charge

### Transversity distribution



- Chiral-odd, unique for the quarks
- No mixing with gluons, simpler evolution effect
- Tensor charge:

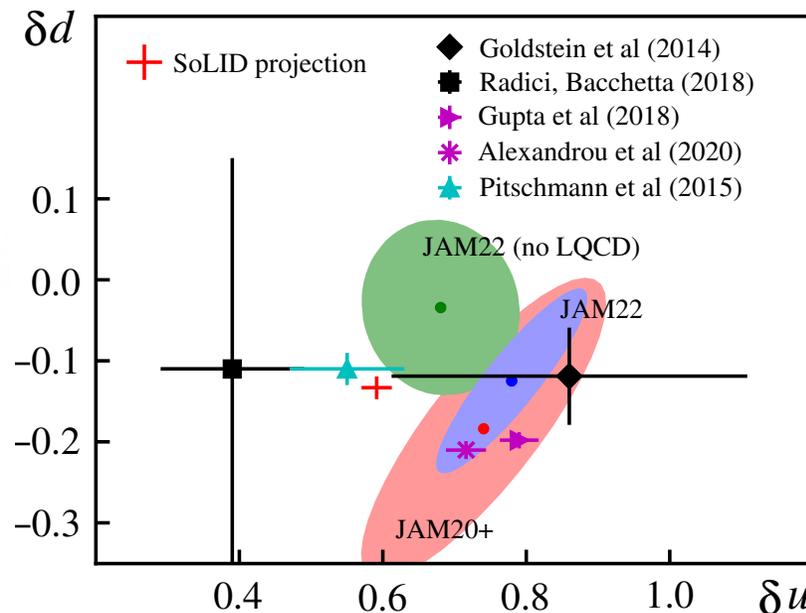
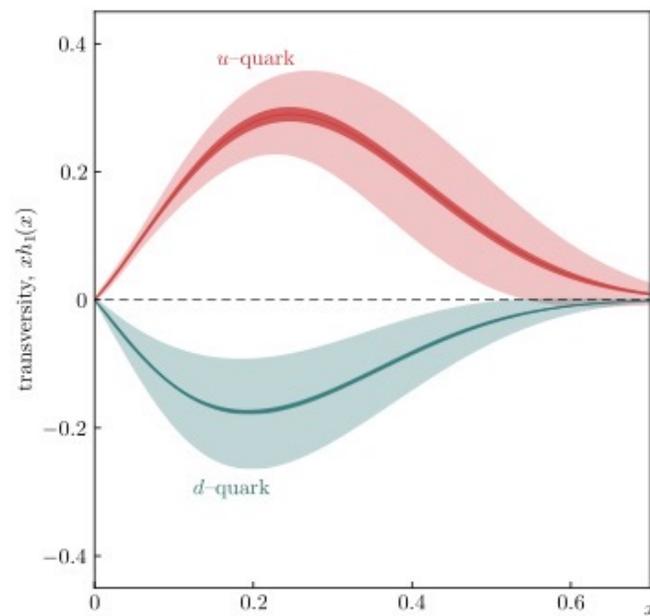
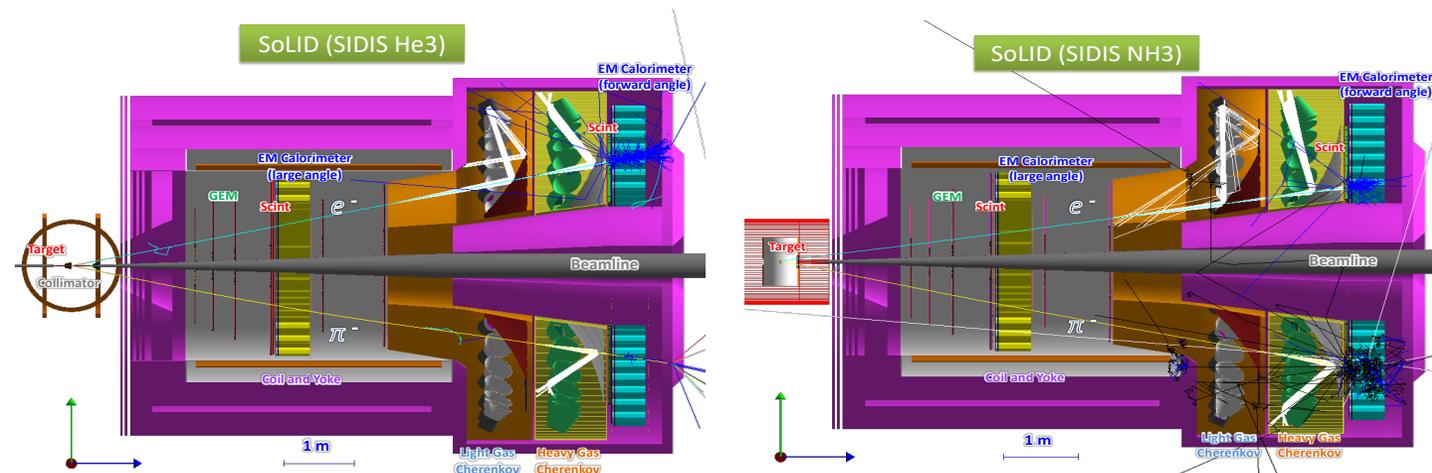
$$\langle P,S|\bar{\psi}_q i\sigma^{\mu\nu}\psi_q|P,S\rangle = g_T^q \bar{u}(P,S)i\sigma^{\mu\nu}u(P,S)$$

$$g_T^q = \int_0^1 [h_1^q(x) - h_1^{\bar{q}}(x)] dx$$

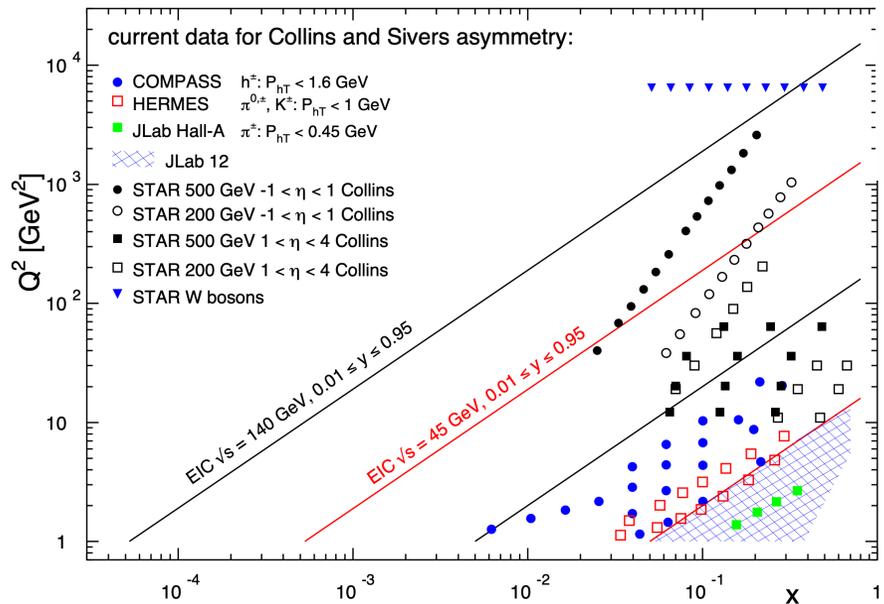
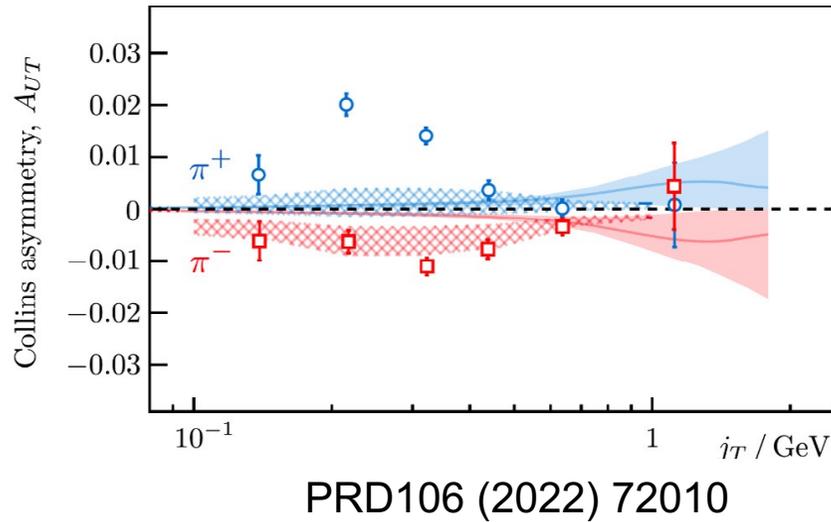
A fundamental QCD quantity dominated by valence quarks; Precisely calculated on the lattice

Global analysis including LQCD (PRL 120 (2018) 15, 152502)

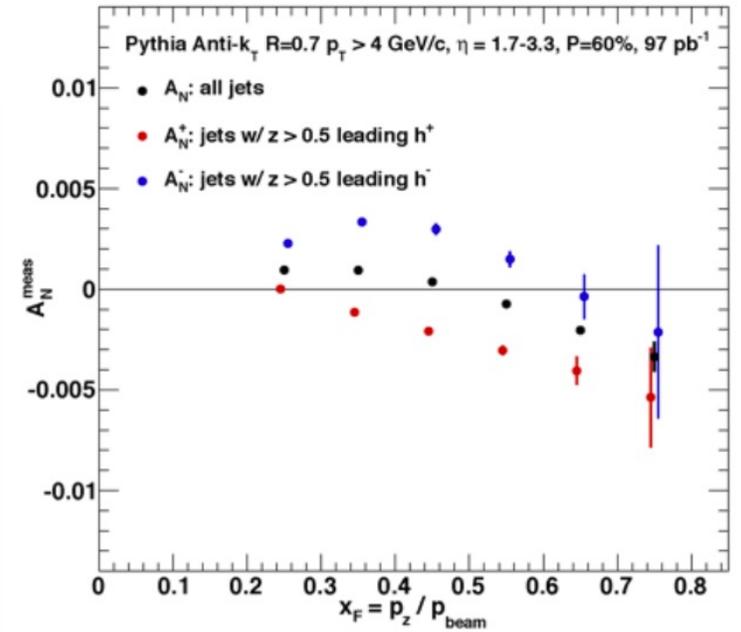
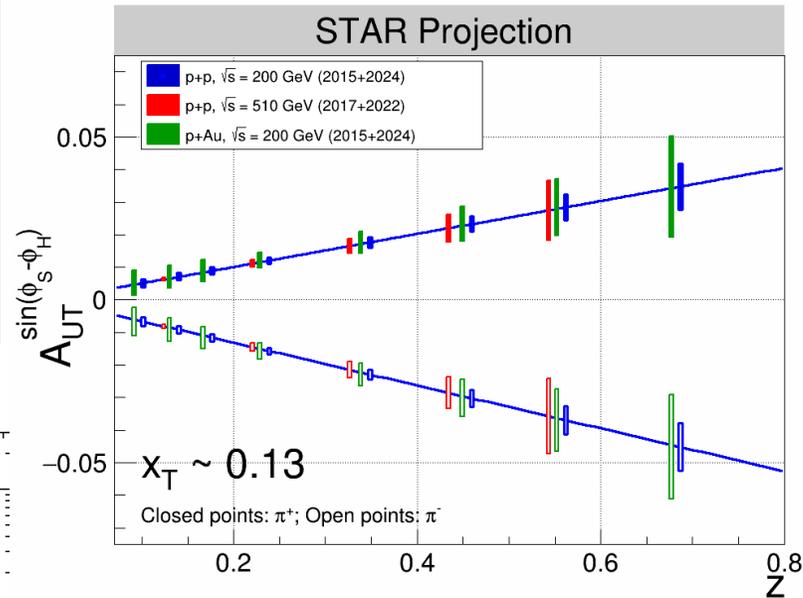
J. Cammarota et al, PRD 102, 054002 (2020) (JAM20+)  
L. Gamberg et al., arXiv:2205.00999 (JAM22)



# TMD Physics: STAR and forward upgrade



improved PID, extended  $\eta$  coverage by iTPC



First observation of non-zero Sivers asymmetry in dijet production

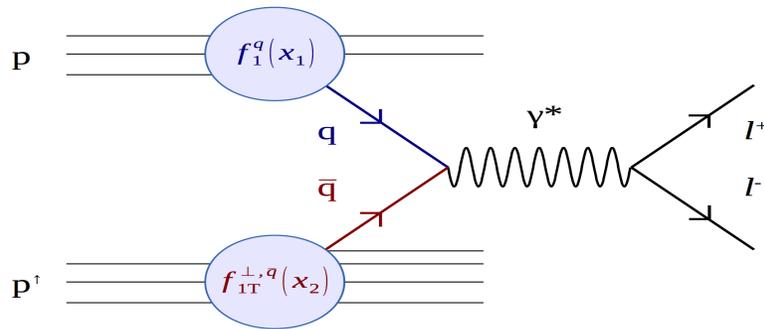
Precision measurements at both energies probe TMD evolution and provide important cross-checks and essential  $x$ - $Q^2$  overlap with EIC

RHIC Run-24 will reduce uncertainties at 200 GeV by a factor of 2, enabling the most sensitive universality test with EIC data

# Polarized Drell-Yan @ SpinQuest

Measure Drell-Yan azimuthal asymmetry to extract sea quark Sivers:

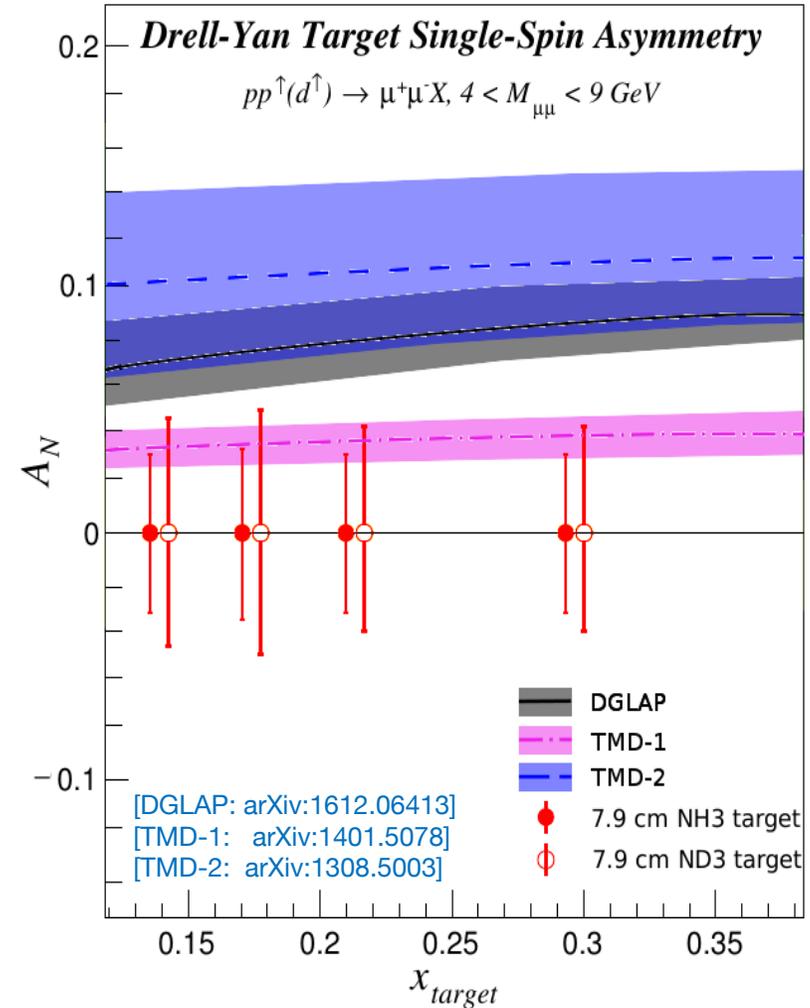
$$A_N^{DY} \propto \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 [f_1^q(x_1) \cdot f_{1T}^{\perp, \bar{q}}(x_2) + 1 \leftrightarrow 2]}{\sum_q e_q^2 [f_1^q(x_1) \cdot f_1^{\bar{q}}(x_2) + 1 \leftrightarrow 2]}$$



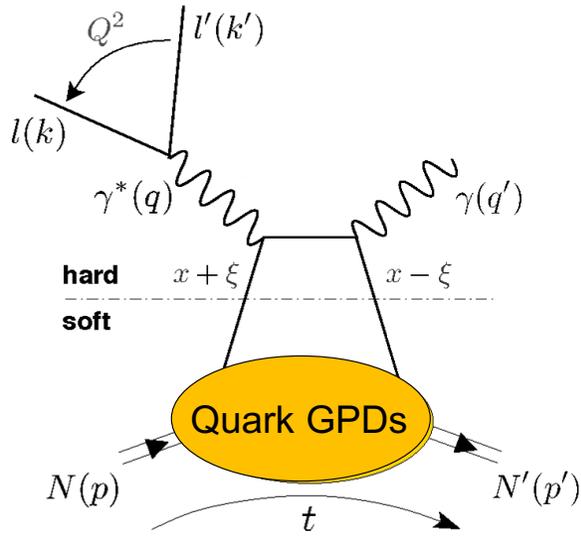
## Two-year runtime:

- Add solid NH3 target, upstream for lower  $X_t$
- Proton on target:  $1.4 \times 10^{18}$

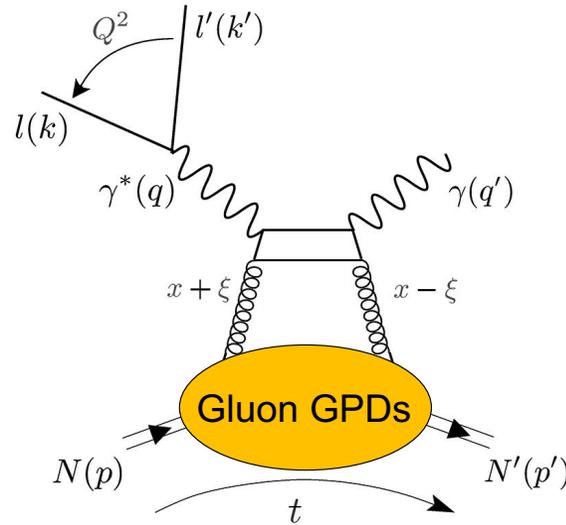
## Anticipated Sensitivity



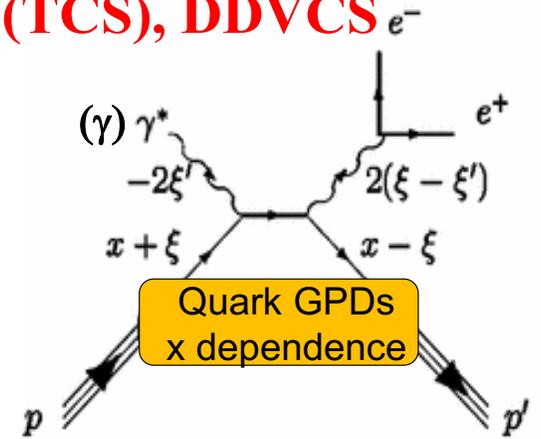
# Exclusive reactions giving access to GPDs



**DVCS**

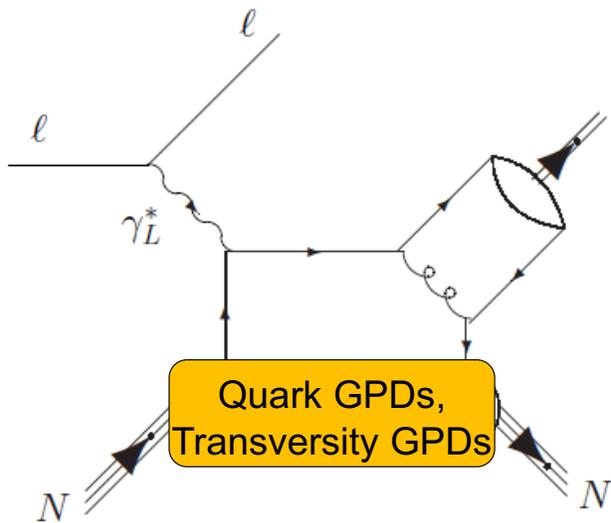


**(TCS), DDVCS**

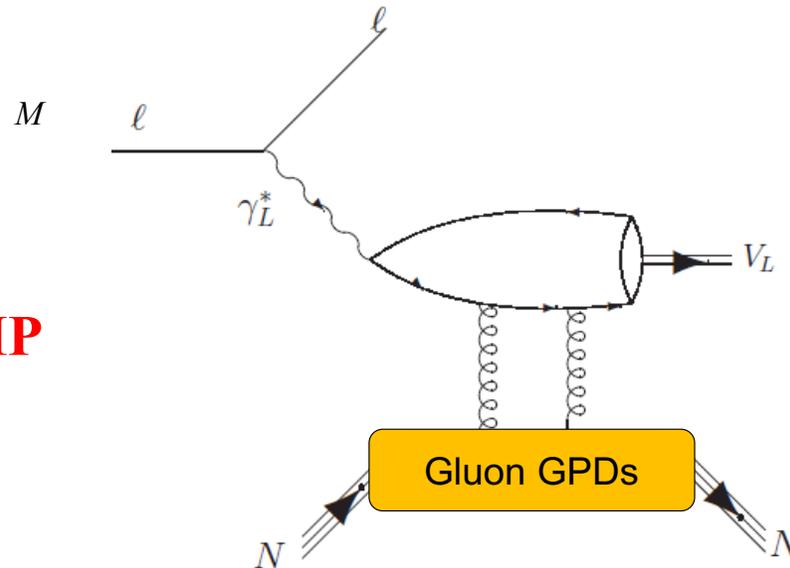


Voutier, Riedl@EINN2023

Constantinou, Diehl, Metz, Meziani, and others

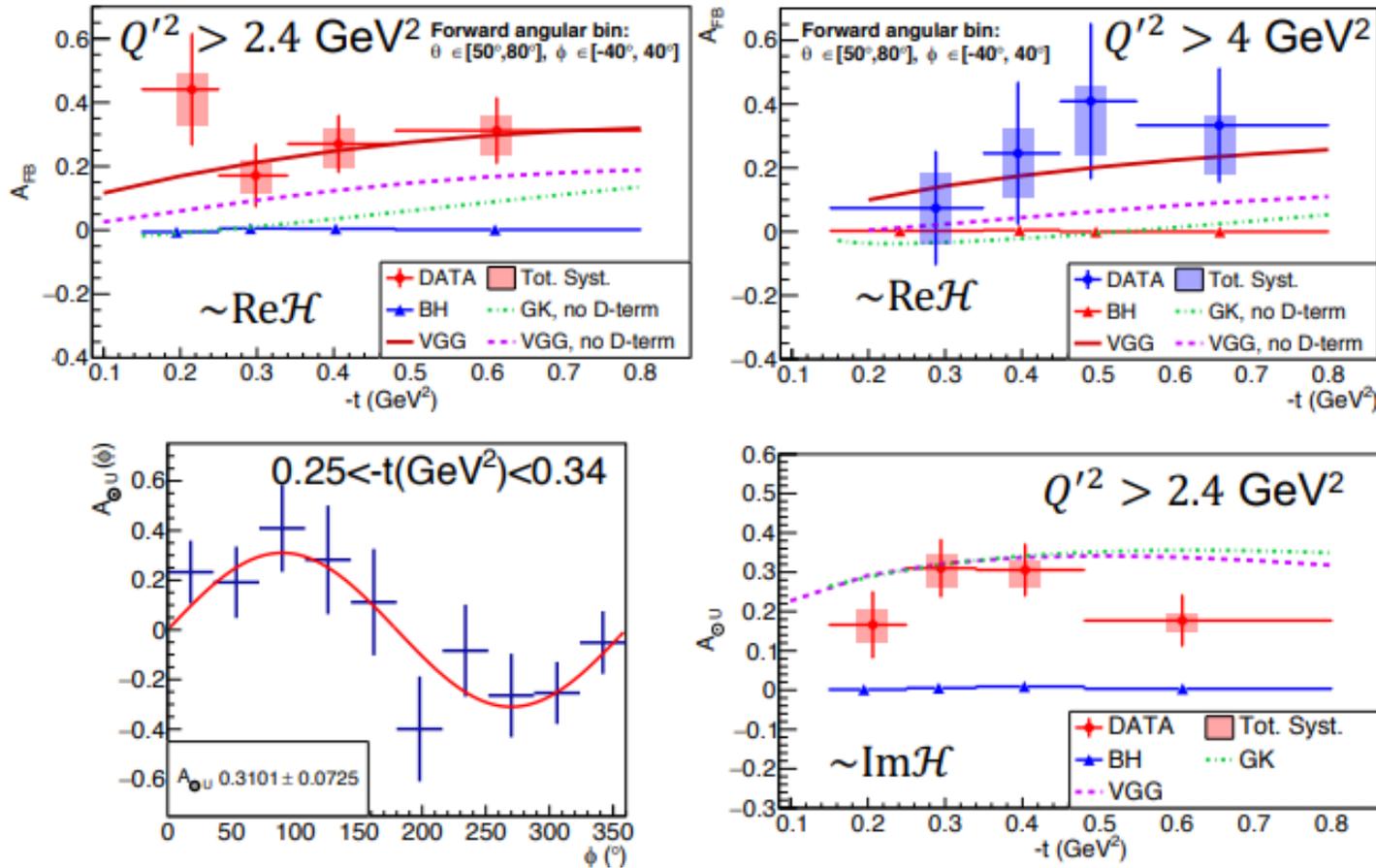


**DVMP**



# First-ever measurement of Timelike Compton Scattering (CLAS12)

$$\gamma p \rightarrow \gamma^* p \rightarrow (e^-) e^+ e^- p$$



- Quasi-real photo-production ( $Q^2 \sim 0$ )
- The beam helicity asymmetry of TCS accesses the imaginary part of the CFF in the same way as in DVCS and probes the universality of GPDs
- The forward-backward asymmetry is sensitive to the real part of the CFF  $\rightarrow$  direct access to the Energy-Momentum Form Factor  $d_q(t)$  (linked to the D-term) that relates to the mechanical properties of the nucleon (quark pressure distribution)
- This measurement proves the importance of TCS for GPD physics.
- Limits: very small cross section  $\rightarrow$  high luminosity is necessary for a more precise measurement
- Imminent doubling of statistics thanks to data reprocessing with improved reconstruction

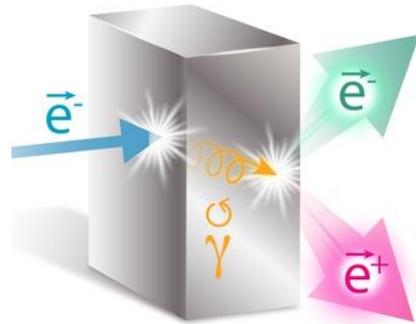
P. Chatagnon et al. (CLAS), Phys. Rev. Lett. 127 (2021)

Talk by P. Chatagnon

# Perspectives: polarized positrons beam for Jefferson Lab

## Physics Motivations:

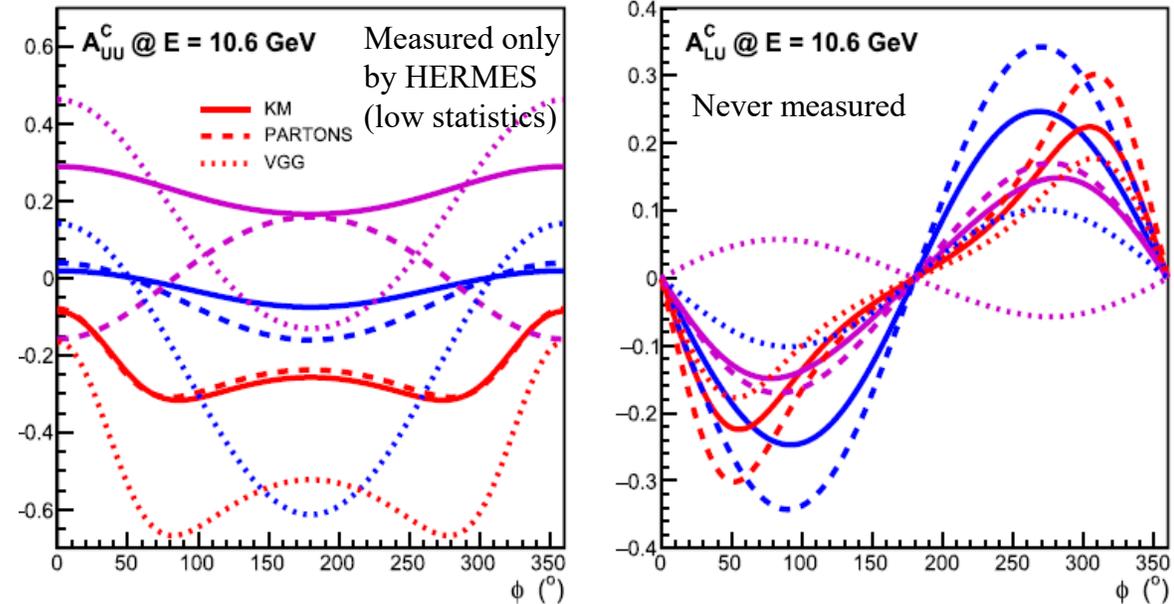
- Two-photon physics
- **Generalized parton distributions**
- Neutral and charged current DIS
- Charm production
- Neutral electroweak coupling
- Light Dark Matter search
- Charged Lepton Flavor Violation



PePPO: proof-of-principle for a polarized positron beam  
PRL 116 (2016) 214801

*R&D ongoing*  
*Possible timeline: >2030*

- Publication of the EPJ A Topical Issue about "An experimental program with positron beams at Jefferson lab", Eur. Phys. J. A 58 (2022) 3, 45
- 5 positron-based proposals, two of which on DVCS (CLAS12, Hall C) recently Conditionally Approved by JLab PAC51



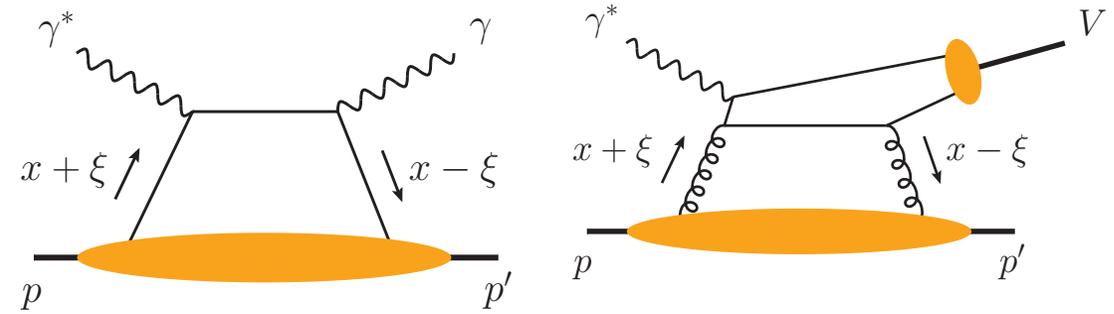
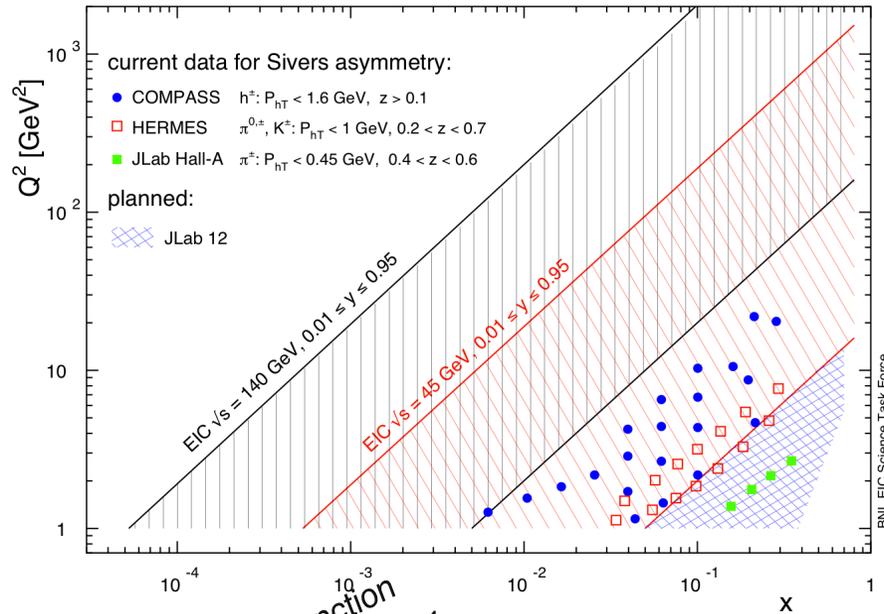
Model predictions for 2 out of the 3 proposed pDVCS observables

Impact of positron pDVCS projected data on the extraction of ReH via global fits: major reduction of relative uncertainties

*Talk by J. Grames*

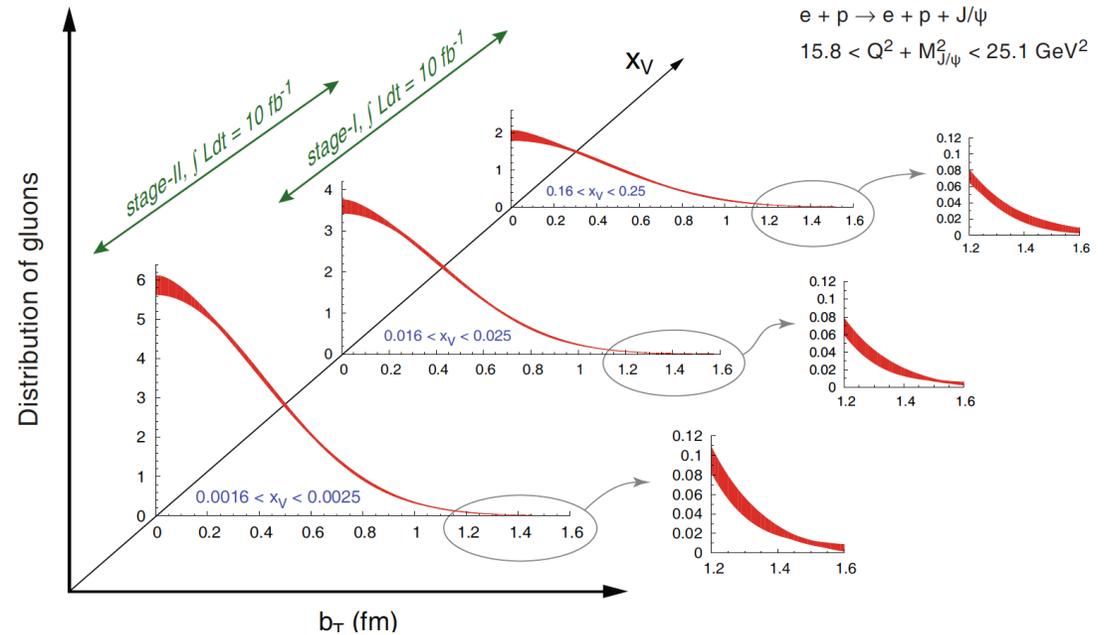
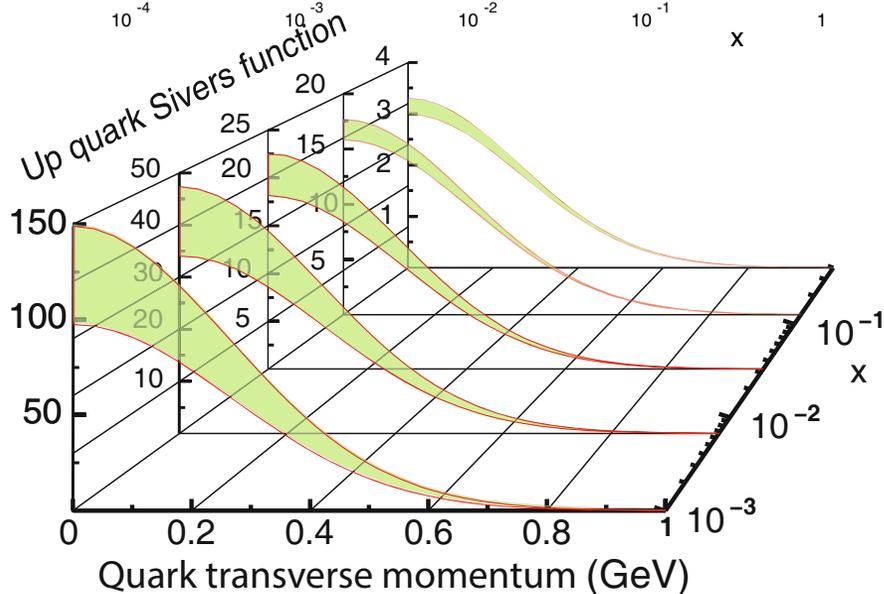
*Talk by A. Schmidt*

# Tomography of the nucleon @ EIC



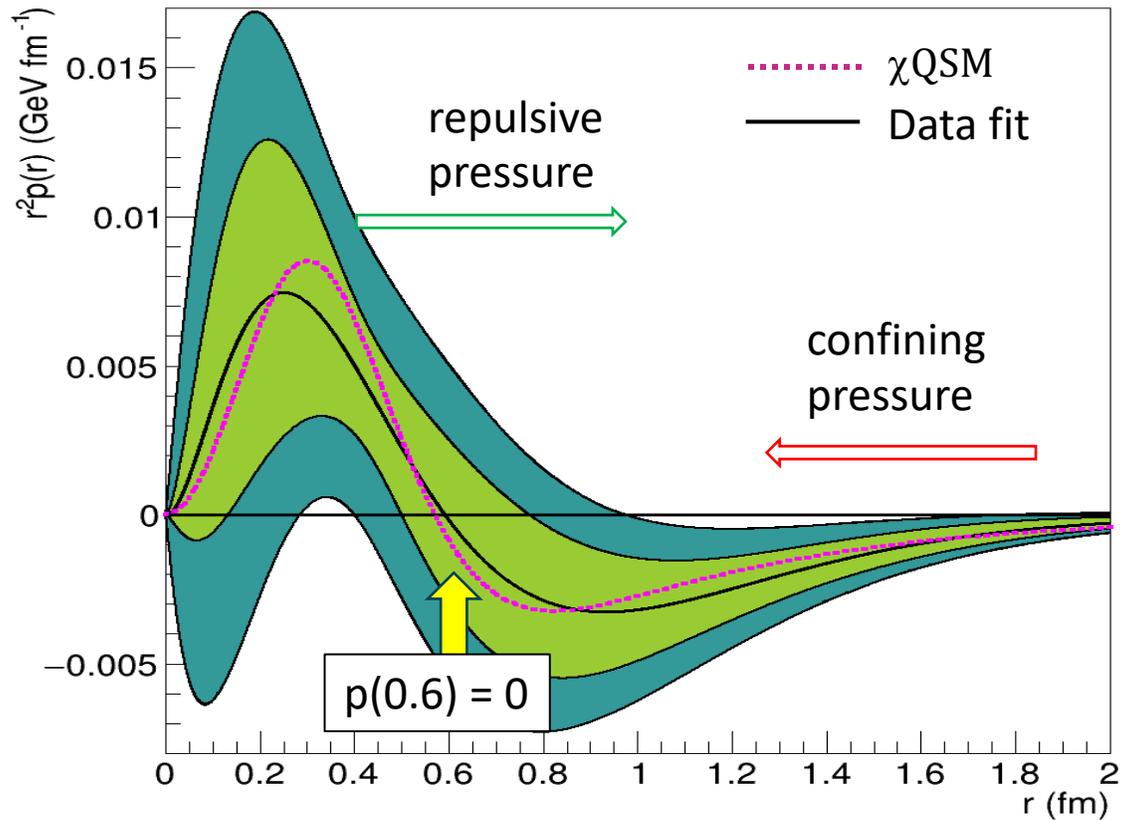
Fourier transform of momentum transferred  
 $= |t| = p-p' \rightarrow$  Spatial distribution

$0.03 < |t| < 1.6 \text{ GeV}^2$     $0.2 < |t| < 1.6 \text{ GeV}^2$     $0.03 < |t| < 0.65 \text{ GeV}^2$

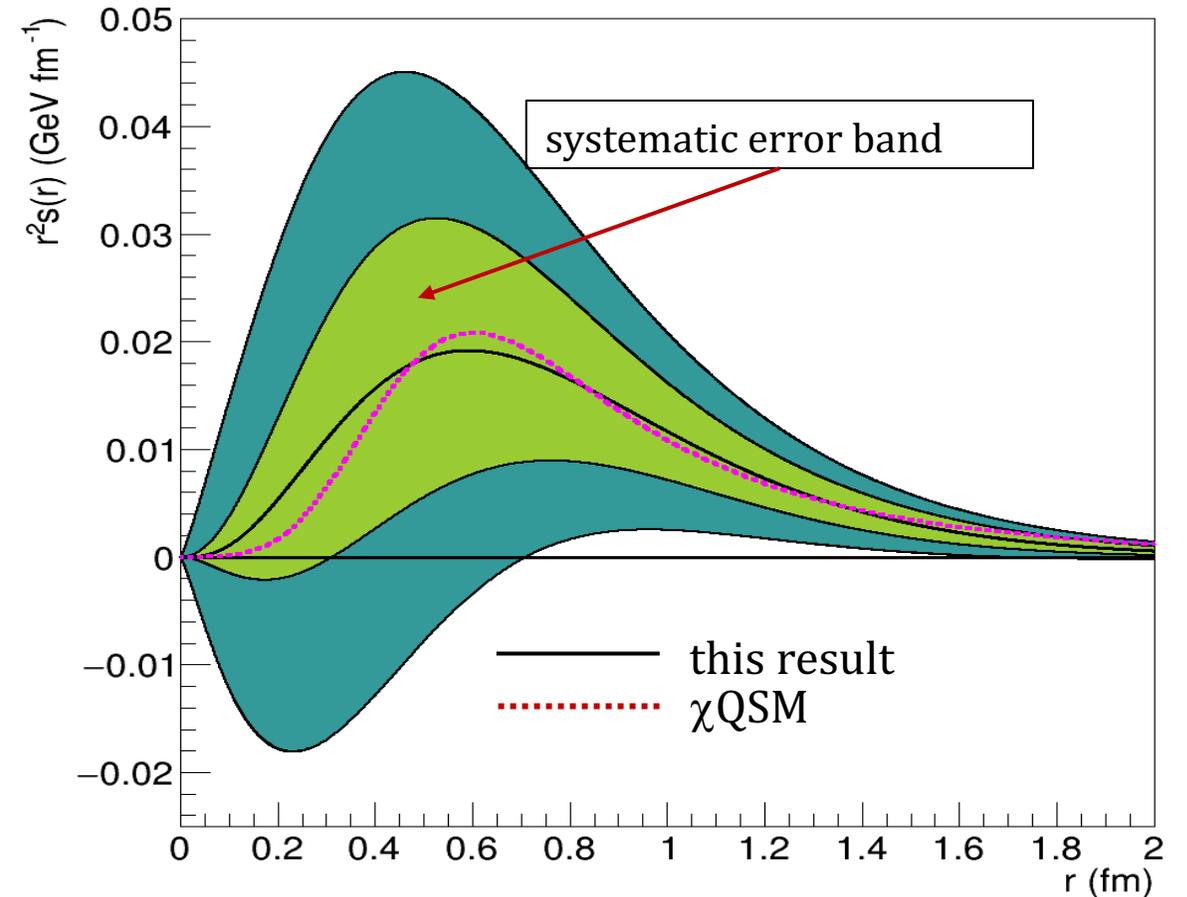


# Pressure and Shear Stress on Quarks in the Proton

M. Polyakov, PL B555 (2003) 57



## Shear stress $r^2 s^Q(r)$



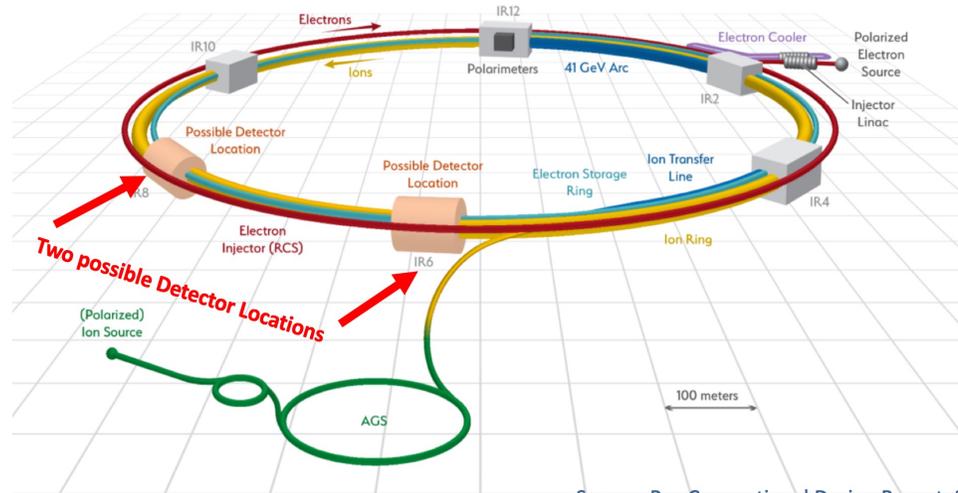
V.B., L. Elouadrhiri, F.X. Girod, Nature 557 (2018) 7705, 39

**DVCS is a suitable probe of gravitational properties of particles!**

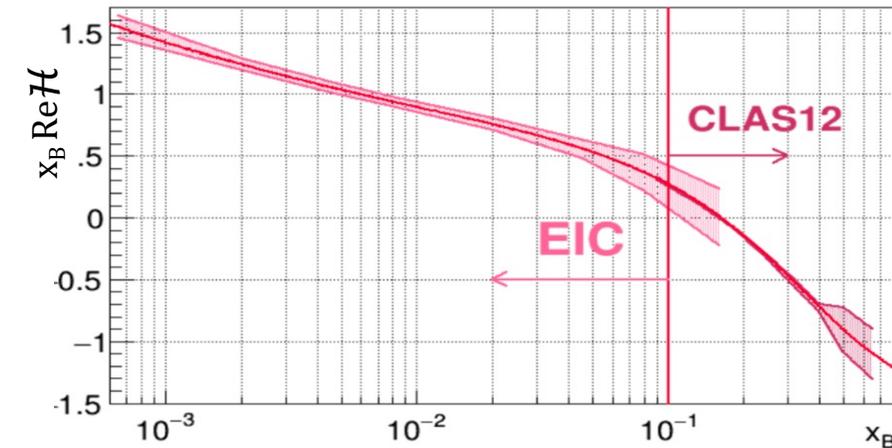
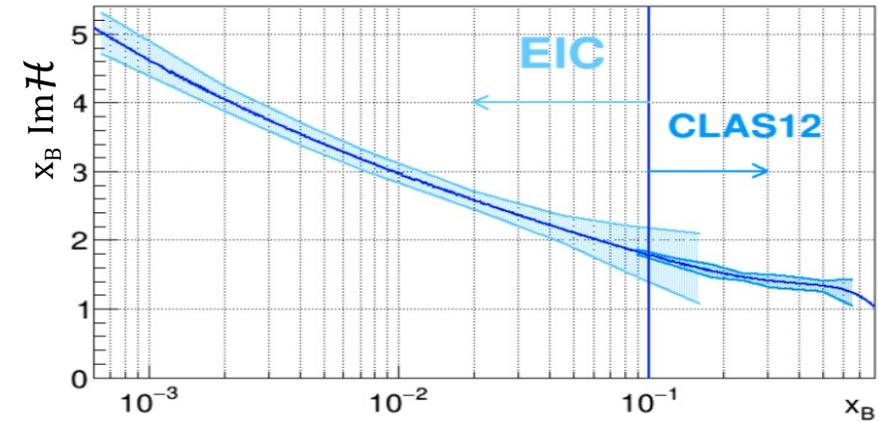
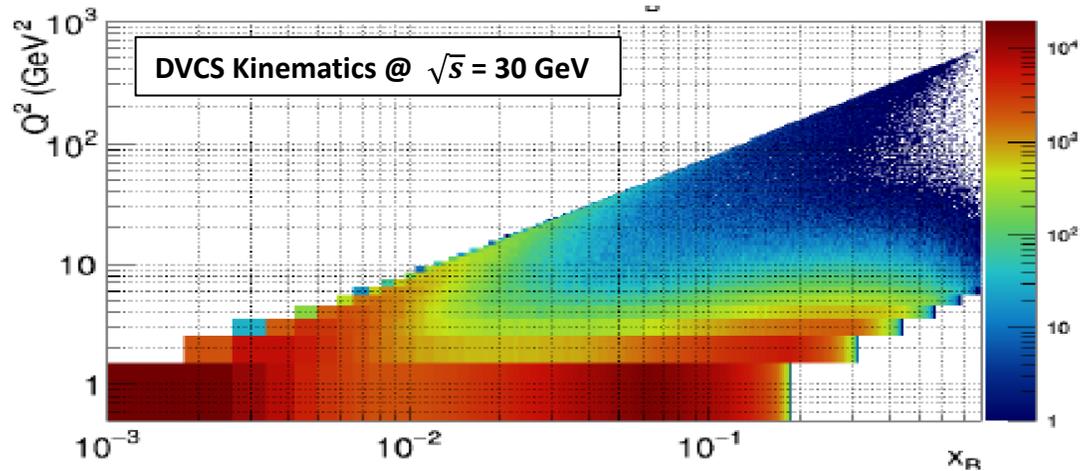
The  $2\gamma$  field couples to the EMT as gravity does, with many orders of magnitude greater strength.

# GFF studies at the Electron Ion Collider

CFF  $\mathcal{H}(x,t)$  extraction at EIC kinematics with integrated luminosity of  $200 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  w/ polarized electrons and polarized protons.



Source: Pre-Conceptual Design Report, 2019



Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 131 (2023) 104032, e-Print: [2211.15746](https://arxiv.org/abs/2211.15746)

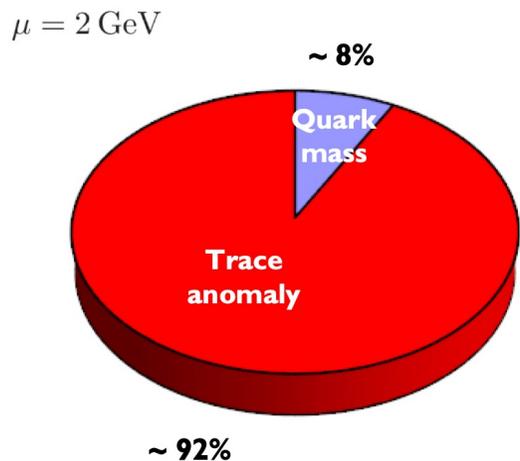
Credit: F.X. Girod

How does the mass of the nucleon emerge from the quarks and gluons inside?

## DIFFERENT MASS DECOMPOSITIONS

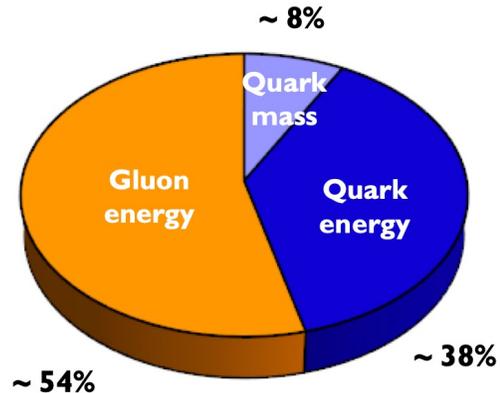
Proton Mass budget decompositions C. Lorcé (from 2022 INT workshop)

**Trace decomposition**



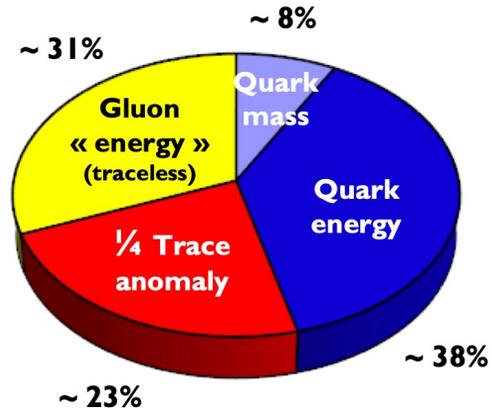
**Relies on virial theorem**

**Energy decomposition**

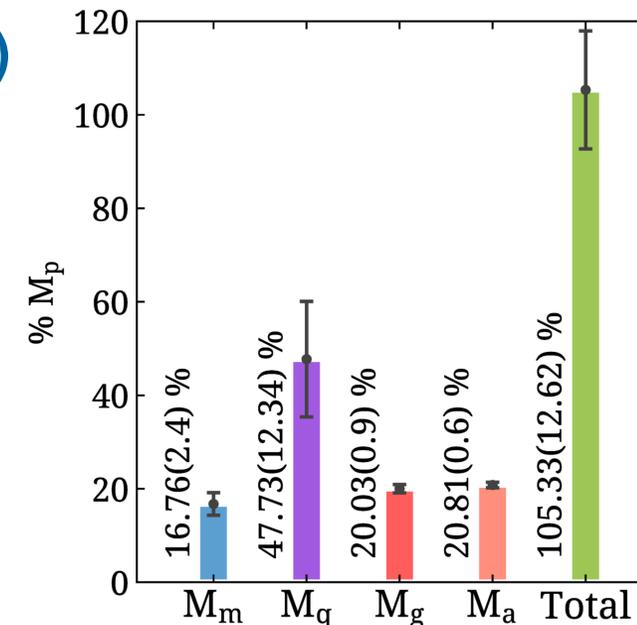


**Independent of virial theorem**

**Ji's decomposition**

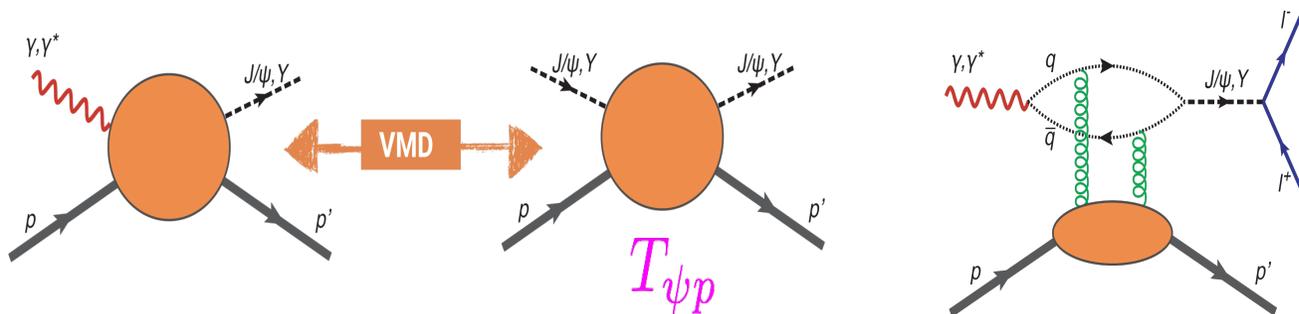


**Motivated by virial theorem**



C. Alexandrou et al.,  
(ETMC), PRL 119,  
142002 (2017)  
Y.-B. Yang et al.,  
( $\chi$ QCD), PRL 121,  
212001 (2018)

# From Cross section to the Trace Anomaly



$$\gamma^* + N \rightarrow N + J / \psi$$

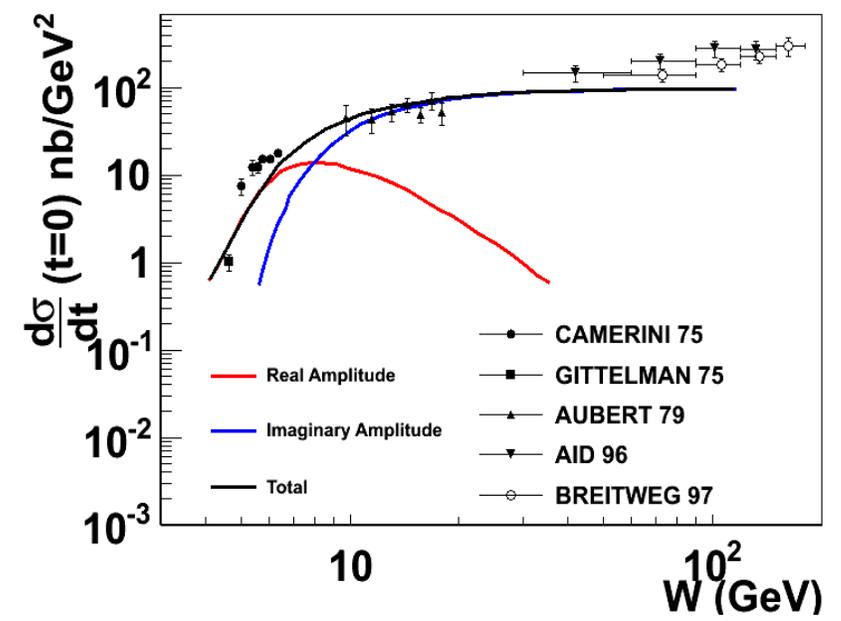
Heavy quark – dominated  
by two gluons

$$\langle P | T_\alpha^\alpha | P \rangle = 2P^\alpha P_\alpha = 2M_p^2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\gamma N \rightarrow \psi N}}{dt}(s, t=0) = \frac{3\Gamma(\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-)}{\alpha m_\psi} \left( \frac{k_{\psi N}}{k_{\gamma N}} \right)^2 \frac{d\sigma_{\psi N \rightarrow \psi N}}{dt}(s, t=0)$$

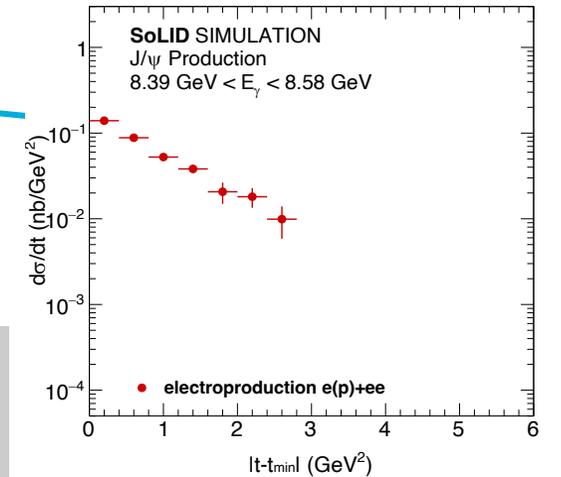
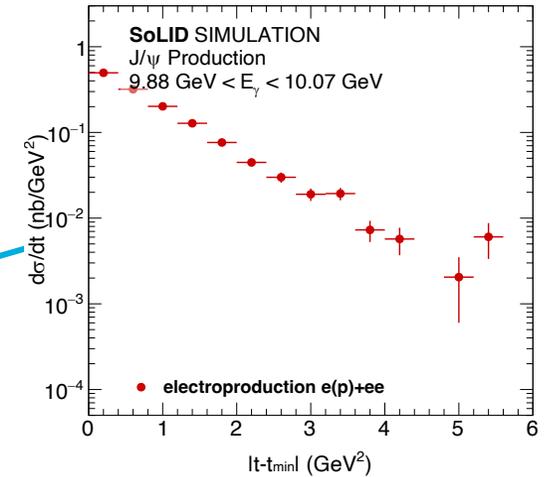
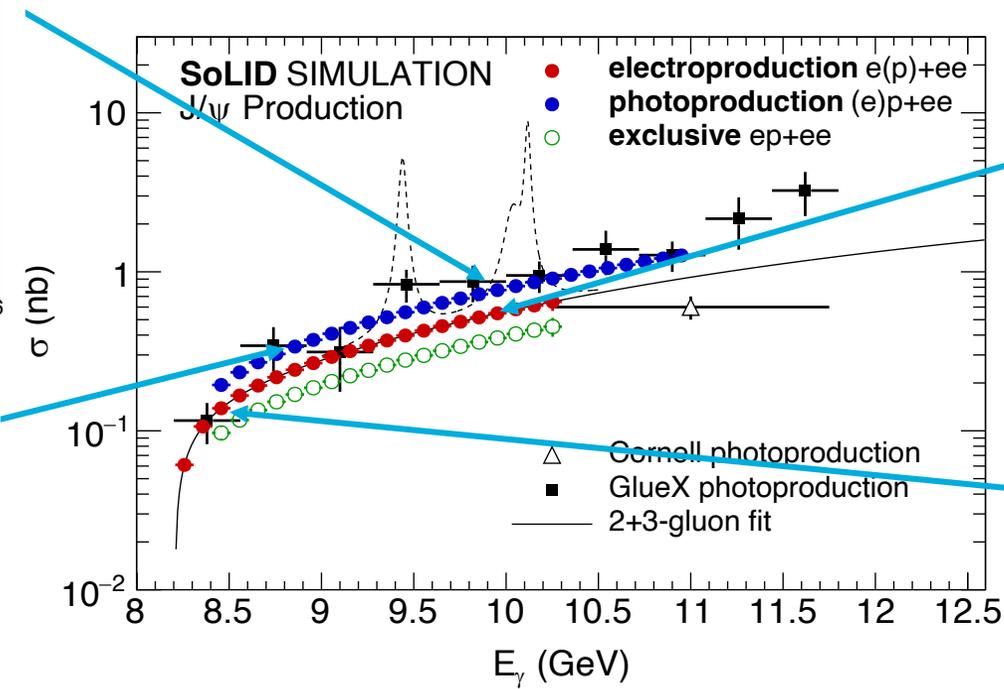
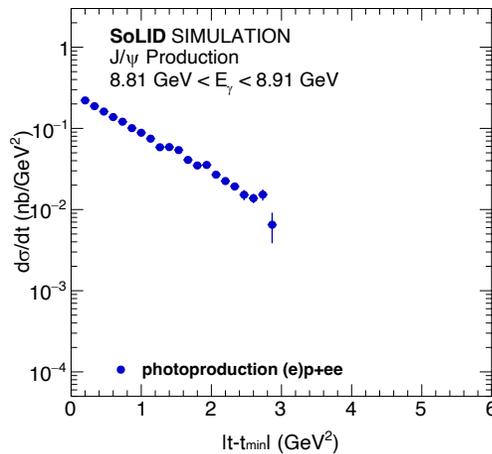
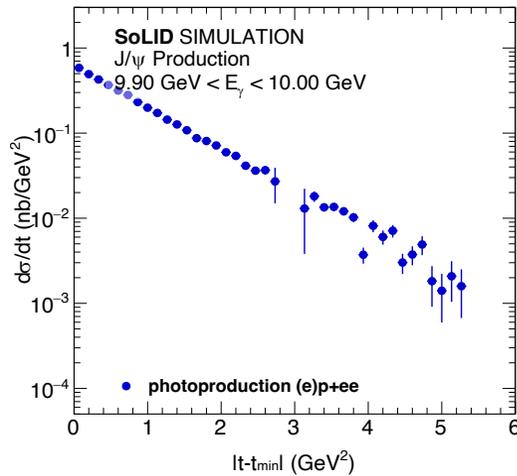
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\psi N \rightarrow \psi N}}{dt}(s, t=0) = \frac{1}{64\pi} \frac{1}{m_\psi^2 (\lambda^2 - m_N^2)} |\mathcal{M}_{\psi N}(s, t=0)|^2$$

- **VMD relates photoproduction cross section to quarkonium-nucleon scattering amplitude**
- **Imaginary part** is related to the total cross section through optical theorem
- **Real part contains the conformal (trace) anomaly**; Dominates the near threshold region and constrained through dispersion relation
- D. Kharzeev (1995); Kharzeev, Satz, Syamtomov, and Zinovjev EPJC,9, 459, (1999); Gryniuk and Vanderhaeghen, PRD94, 074001 (2016)

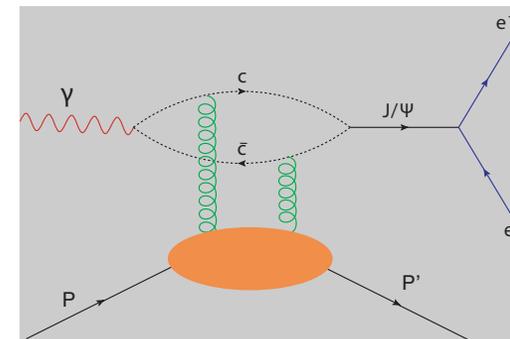


Y. Hatta et al., PRD 98 no. 7, 074003 (2018)  
 Y. Hatta et al., 1906.00894 (2019)  
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 R. Wang, J. Evslin and X. Chen, Eur. Phys. J. C 80, no.6, 507 (2020)

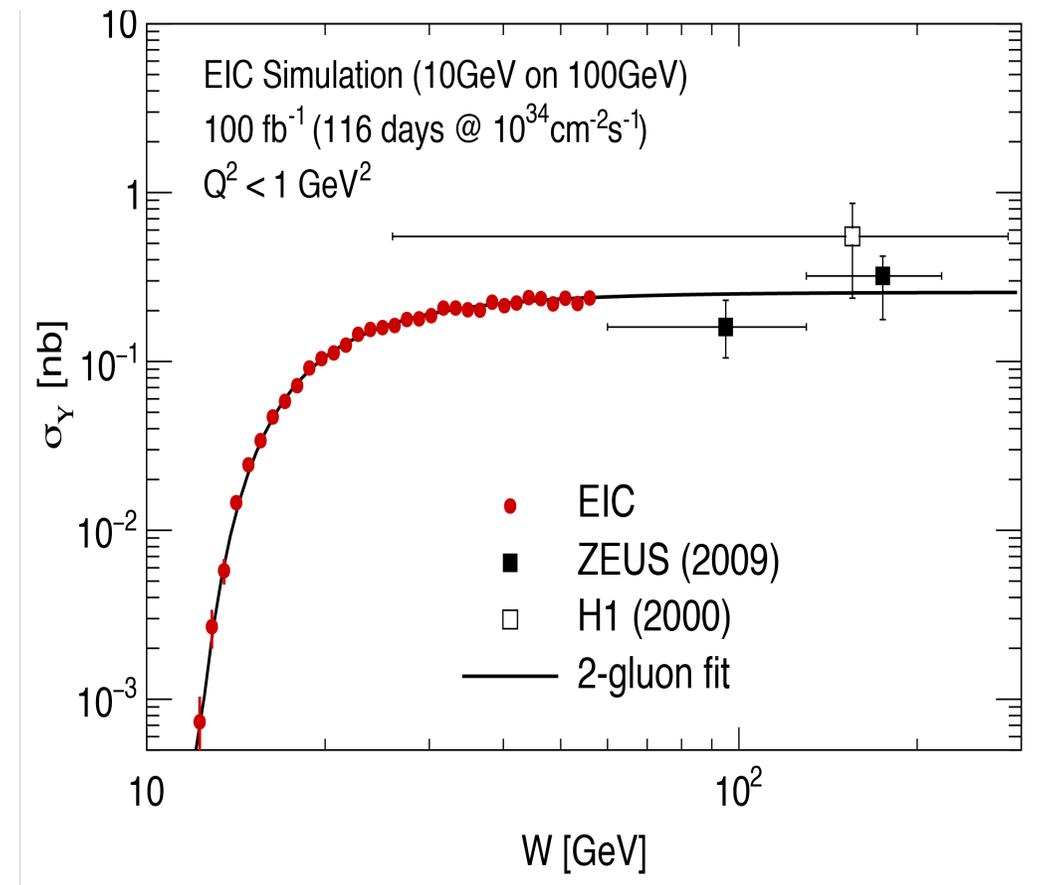
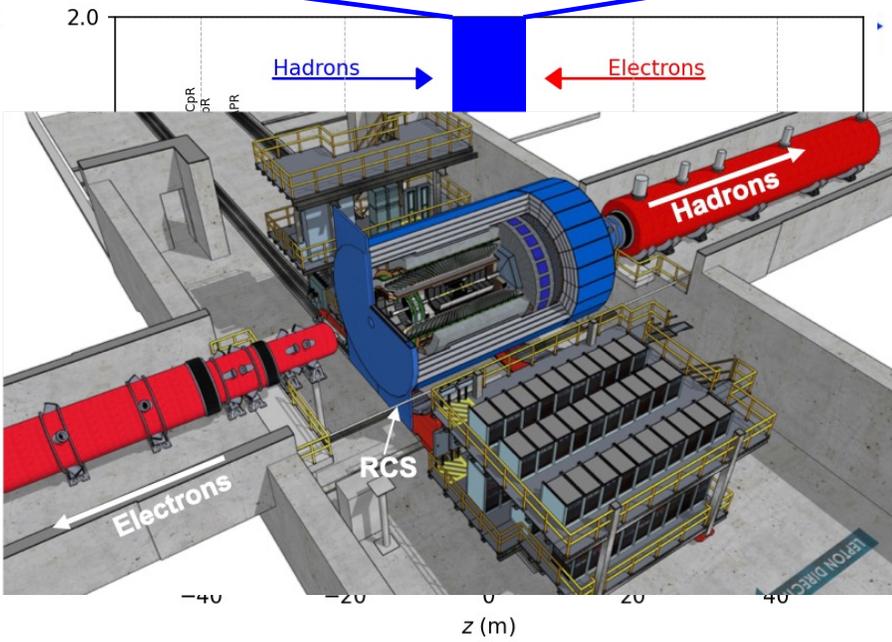
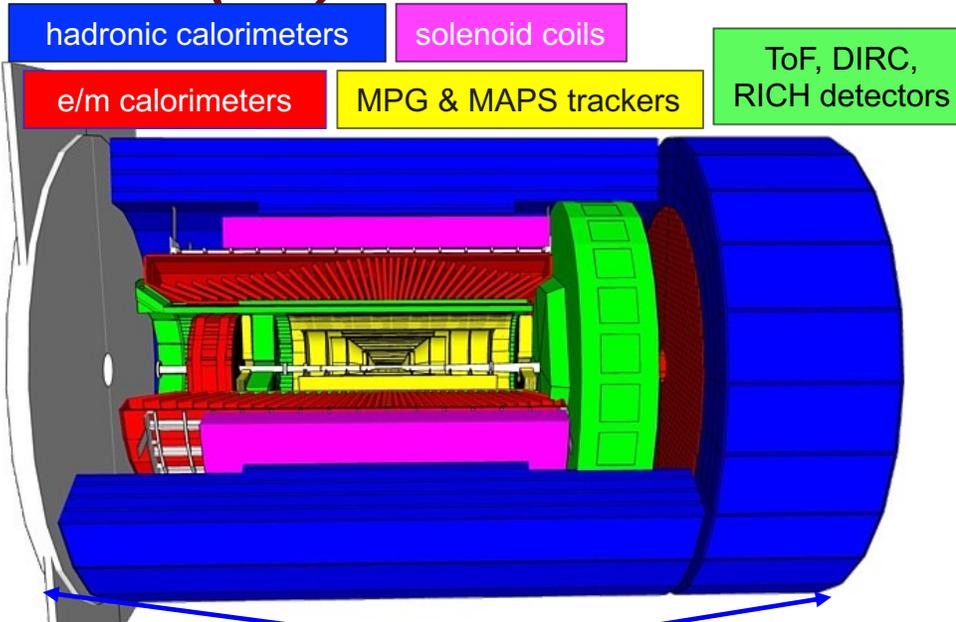
# $J/\psi$ Experiment E12-12-006 @ SoLID



Sensitivity at threshold at about  $10^{-3}$  nb!



# Y(1S) Production at EIC

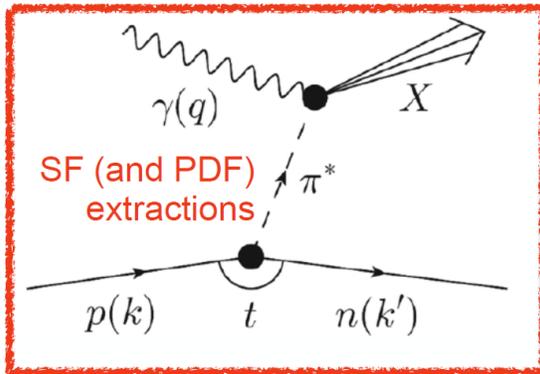
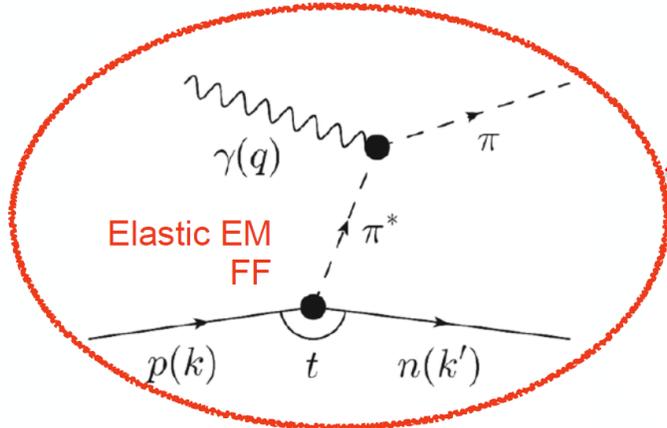


Y(1S) production at EIC has lower theoretical uncertainties, and provides extra channel to study universality while J/ψ at SoLID has better statistical precision

# Pion/Kaon Structure at Jefferson Lab 12 GeV+ and EIC

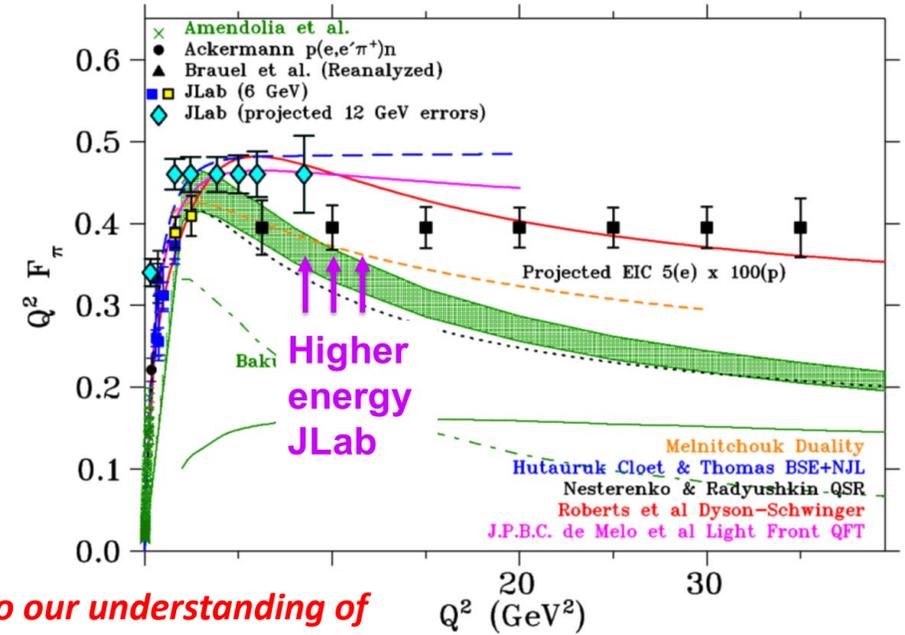
Sullivan

Hard scattering from virtual meson cloud of nucleon



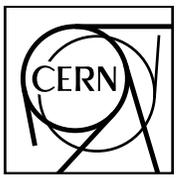
## Pion/Kaon elastic EM Form Factor

- Informs how emergent mass manifests in the wave function



*Understanding pion/kaon is vital to our understanding of hadron structure and dynamic generation of hadron mass*





# AMBER science questions



There are two bearing columns of the facility:

1. Phenomenon of the Emergence of the Hadron Mass
2. Proton spin (largely addressed by COMPASS and others, Phase-2)

## EHM:

**How does the all visible matter in the universe come about and what defines its mass scale?**

Unfortunately, the Higgs-boson discovery (even if extremely important) does NOT help to answer the question:

- ✓ The Higgs-boson mechanism produces only a small fraction of all visible mass
- ✓ The Higgs-generated mass scales explain neither the “huge” proton mass nor the ‘nearly-masslessness’ of the pion

**As Higgs mechanism produces a few percent of visible mass, Where from the rest comes?**

### Pion



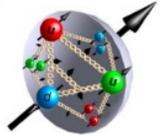
- $M_\pi \sim 140\text{MeV}$
- Spin 0
- 2 light valence quarks

### Kaon



- $M_K \sim 490\text{MeV}$
- Spin 0
- 1 light and 1 “heavy” valence quarks

### Proton



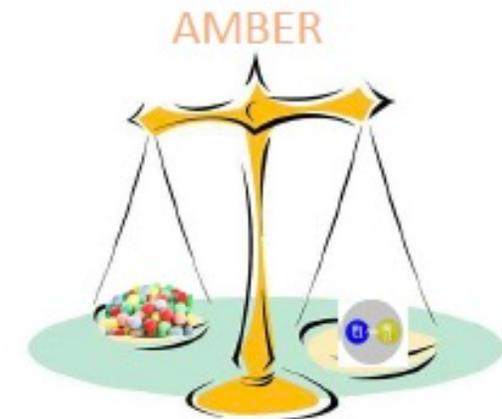
- $M_p \sim 940\text{MeV}$
- Spin 1/2
- 3 light valence quarks

Higgs generated masses of the valence quarks:

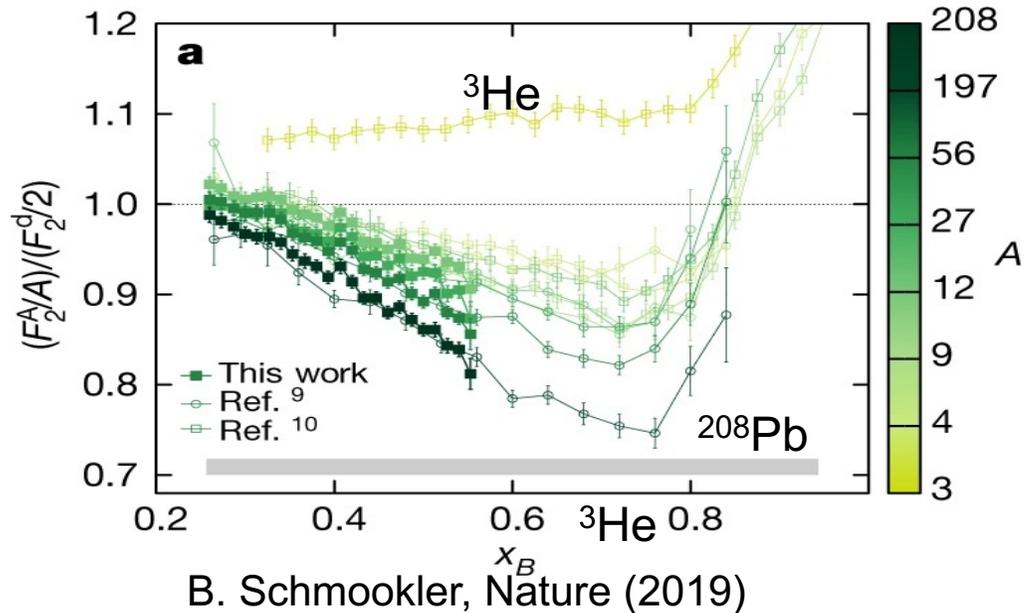
$$M_{(u+d)} \sim 7 \text{ MeV}$$

$$M_{(u+s)} \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$$

$$M_{(u+u+d)} \sim 10 \text{ MeV}$$

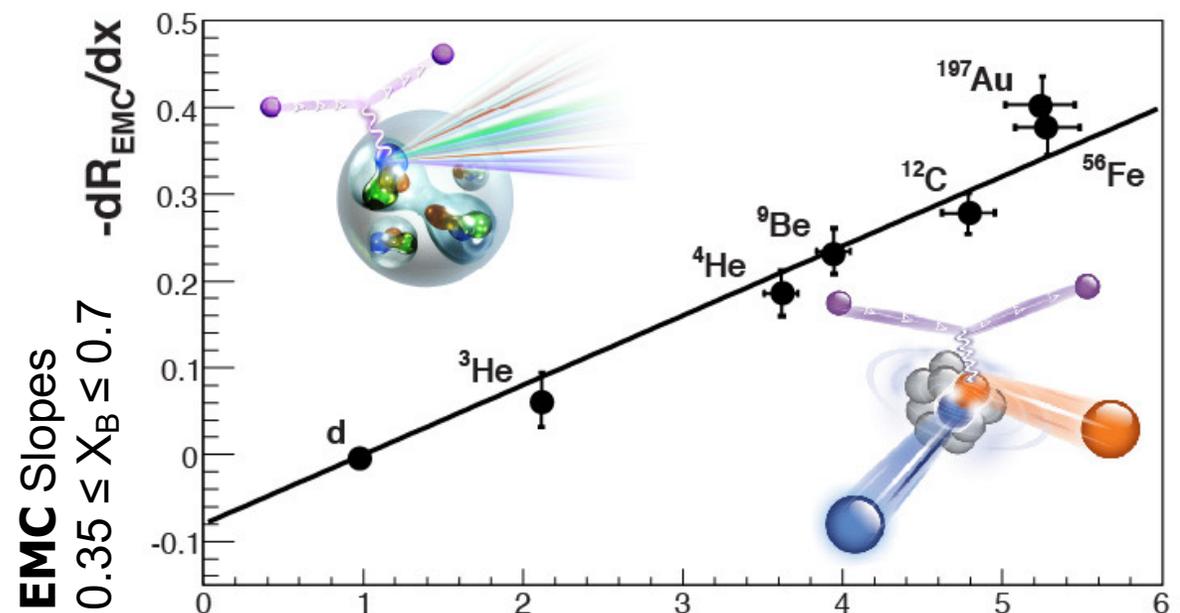


# Nuclei and QCD – How does the quark–gluon structure of the nucleon change when bound in a nucleus? EMC effect



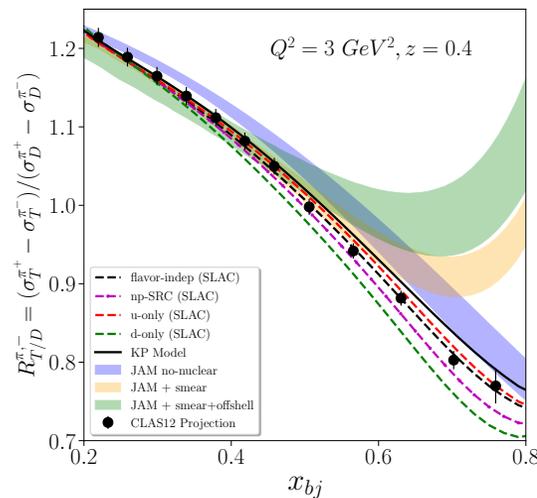
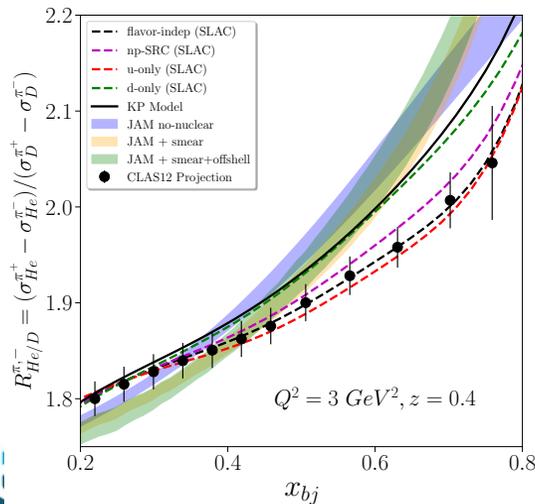
B. Schmookler, Nature (2019)

Probe Flavor EMC effect using SIDIS



SRC Scaling factors  $X_B \geq 1.5$

$a_2(A/d)$



Hen et al, RMP **89**, 045002 (2017)

SRC data from Fomin et al

EMC data from Gomez et al and Seely et al

Weinstein et al, PRL**106**, 052301 (2011)

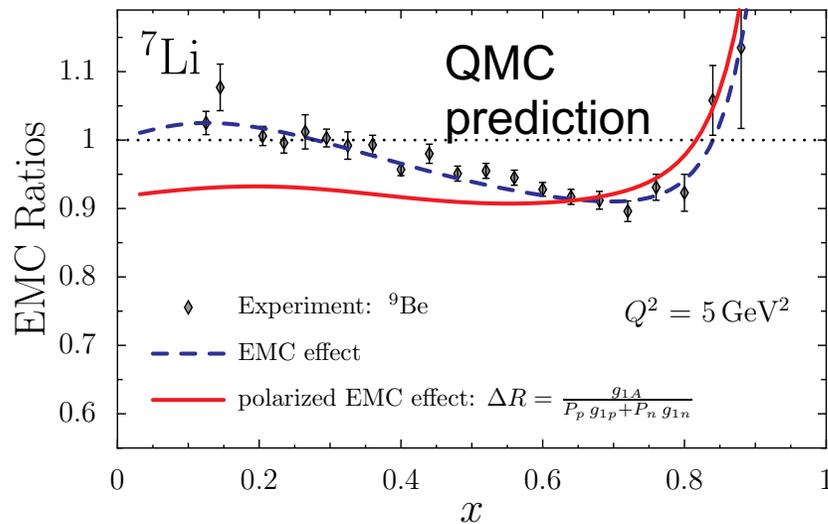
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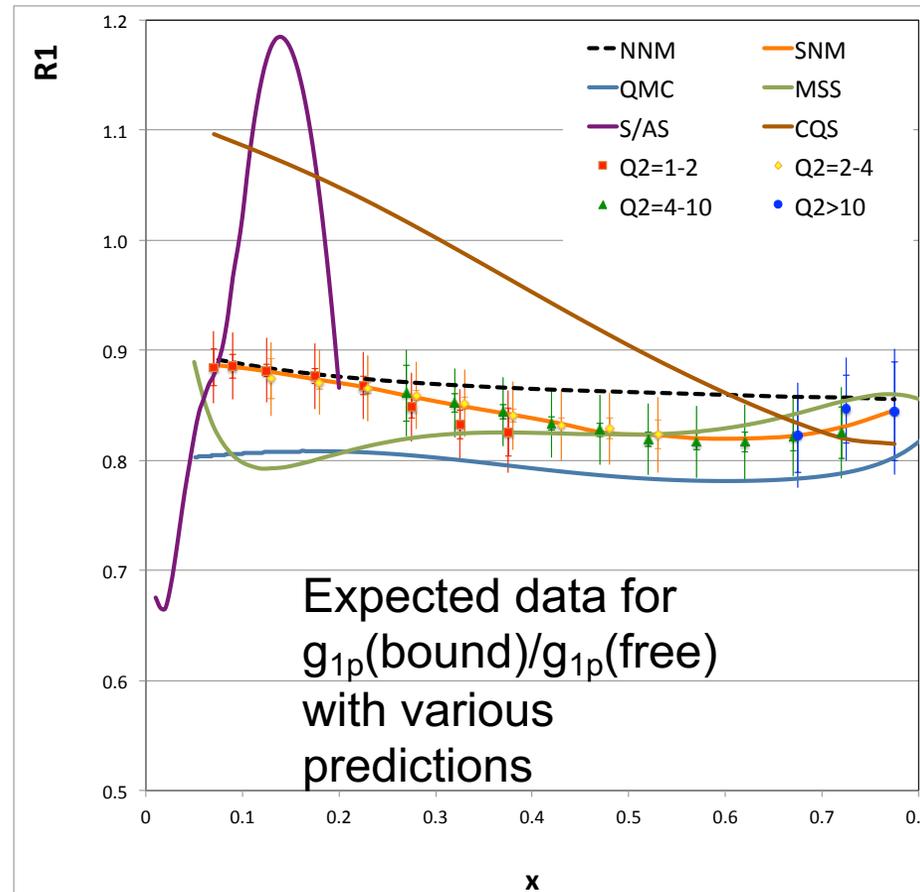
# Polarized EMC effect: ${}^7\overline{\text{Li}}(\vec{e}, e')$ DIS

## Is the valence nucleon modified?

- Most EMC experiments average over **all** nucleons
- Measure modification of **polarized** structure function  $g_{1p}$  on a single valence nucleon!



$$\Delta\sigma \text{ Ratio} \propto [N^+-N]({}^7\text{Li}) / [N^+-N](p)$$



**NNM** = Shell model (p 87% pol.)  
**SNM** = Standard Nuclear Model (convolution w/out change in medium; equiv. to SRC model)  
**QMC** = Mean Field (Quark-Meson Coupling)  
**MSS** (rescaling/modified sea scheme)  
**S/AS** = Shadowing / Antishadowing (Guzey/Strikman)  
**CQS** = Chiral Quark Soliton (Smith/Miller)

# The ALERT Run Group

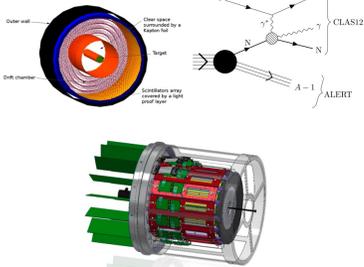
*A comprehensive program to study nuclear effects with CLAS12*

## A Low Energy Recoil Tracker (ALERT)

### ALERT requirements

- Identify light ions: H,  $^2\text{H}$ ,  $^3\text{H}$ ,  $^3\text{He}$ , and  $^4\text{He}$
- Detect the **lowest momentum** possible
- Handle **high rates**
- Survive high radiation environment  
→ **high luminosity**

Design: Gas target surrounded by hyperbolic drift chamber and scintillator TOF detector.



Extended ALERT program enhanced with CLAS12 luminosity and/or energy upgrades

Measurements	Particles detected	Targets	Beam time request	Luminosity*
ALERT Commissioning	p, d, $^4\text{He}$	H and He	5 days	Various
Tagged EMC	p, $^3\text{H}$ , $^3\text{He}$	$^2\text{H}$ and He	20 + 20 days	$3 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
Tagged DVCS	p, $^3\text{H}$ , $^3\text{He}$	$^2\text{H}$ and He	20 + 20 days	$3 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
Nuclear GPDs	$^4\text{He}$	He	extra 10 days on He	$6 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
Additional Topics	p, d, $^3\text{H}$ , $^3\text{He}$	$^2\text{H}$ and He	20 + 20 + (10) days	$3(6) \cdot 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>55 days</b>	

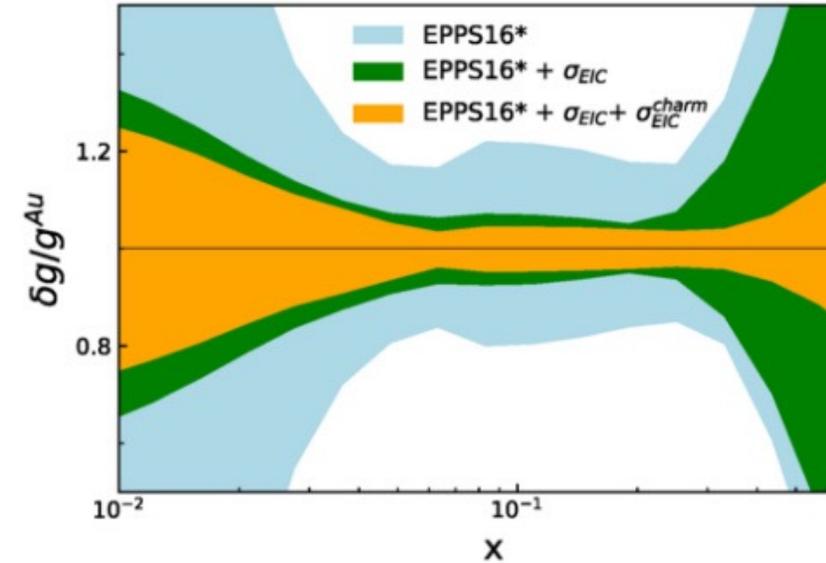
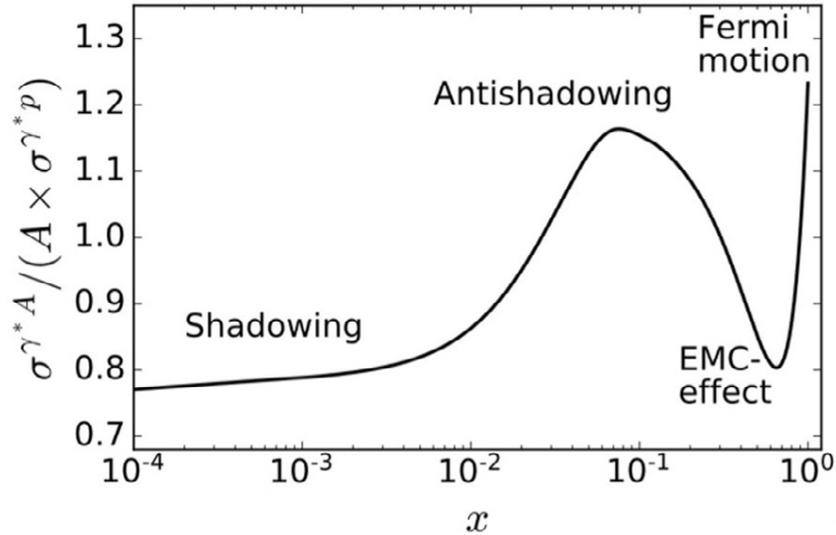
Tagged EMC – address key questions about the EMC effect

Tagged GPDs – directly compare quark and gluon radii

Tagged DVCS – connect partonic and nucleonic modifications

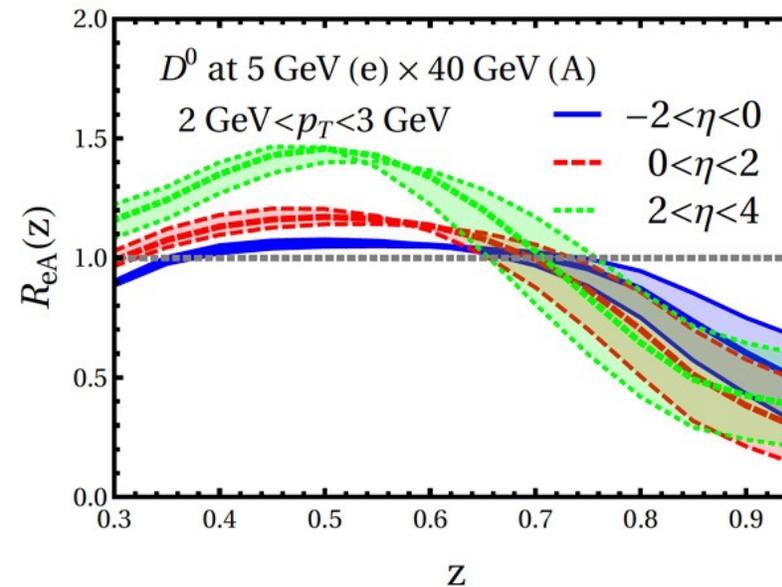
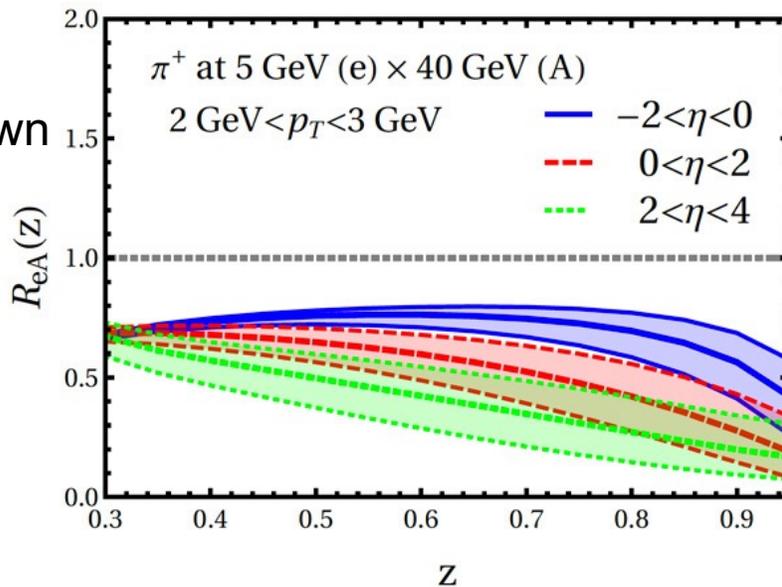
Natural extension of ALERT Physics into small-x in the EIC era

# Nuclei and QCD at the EIC



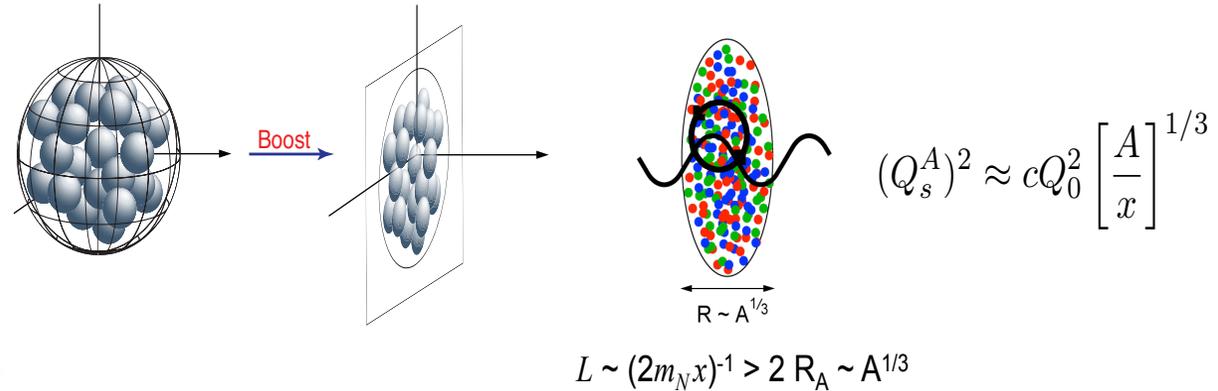
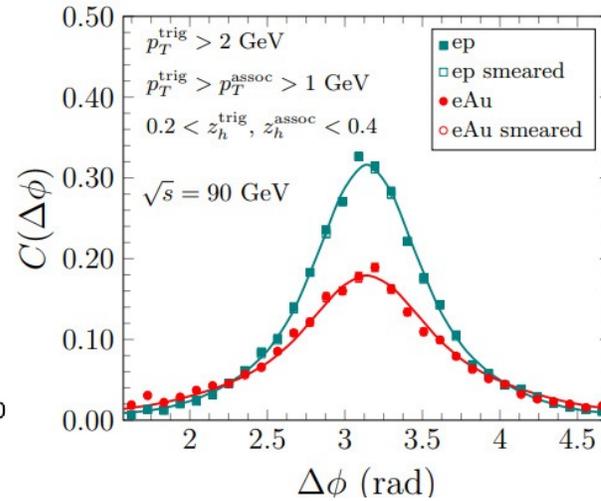
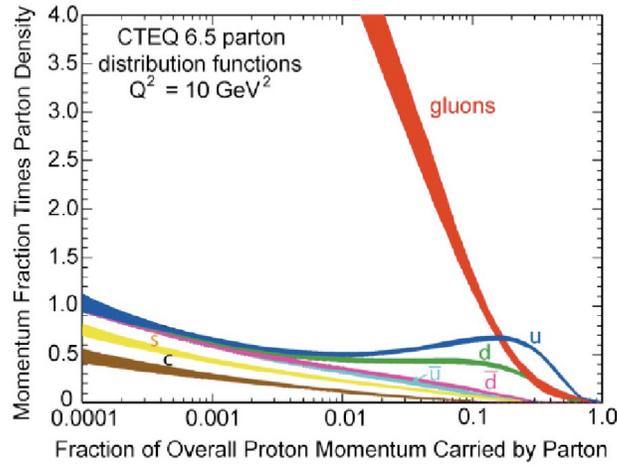
Uncertainty bands  
gluon density (Au)

Relative particle  
production eA vs  
ep, pions (left), shown  
largest suppression  
@EIC

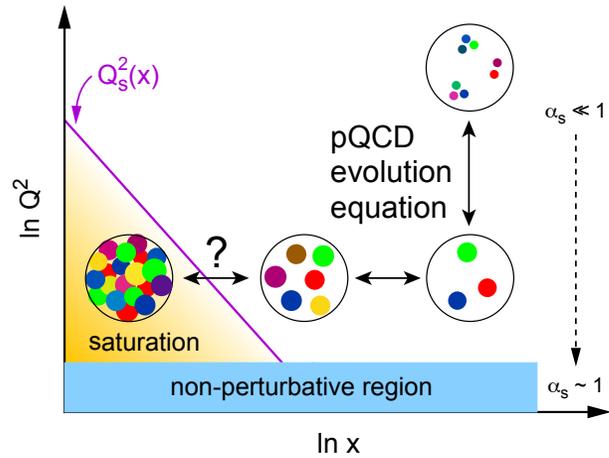


Heavy flavor  
Mesons (right):  
differentiate  
hadronization  
models

# Low x physics with nuclei

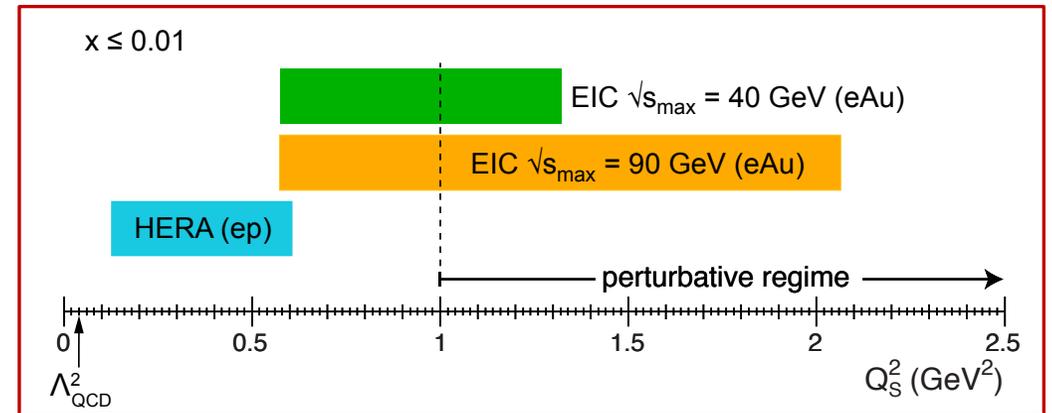
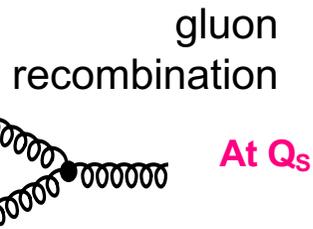
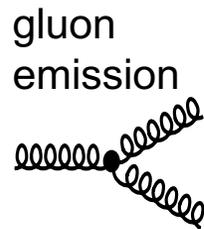


Accessible range of saturation scale  $Q_s^2$  at the EIC with e+A collisions.  
arXiv:1708.01527



A saturation model prediction for EIC measurement of hadron-hadron correlation function  $C$  versus their azimuthal angular separation  $\Delta\phi$  for electron-proton and electron-gold collisions

300 GeV



A. Accardi et al., EPJA 52, 268 (2016)

# Formation of QCD bound states: Different mechanisms of hadronization

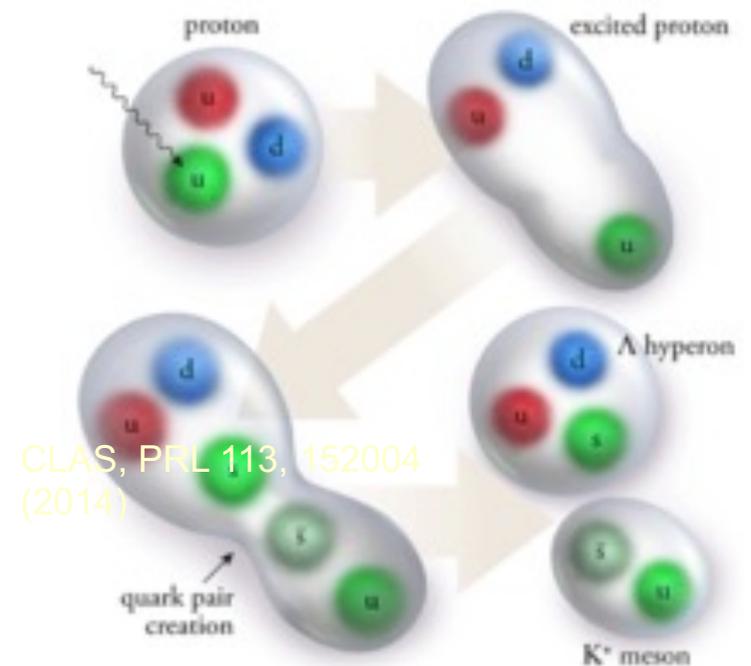
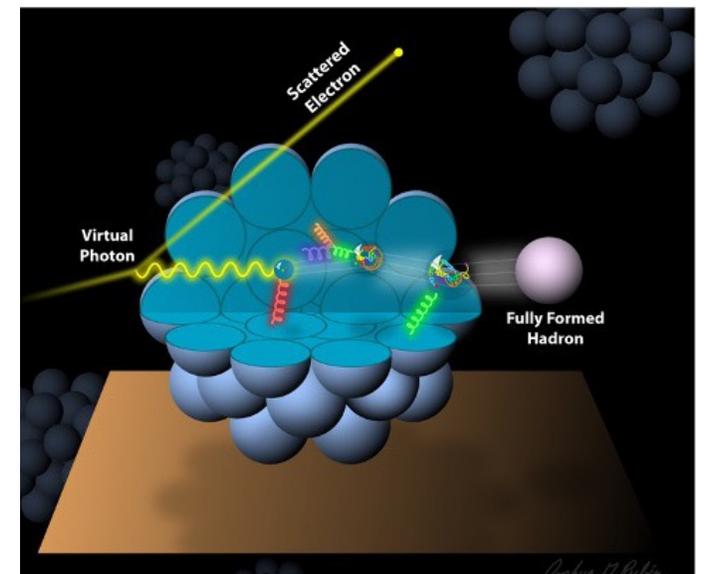
High-energy limit of “string-breaking” or  
“cluster” pictures

Coalescence/recombination of partons  
nearby in phase space

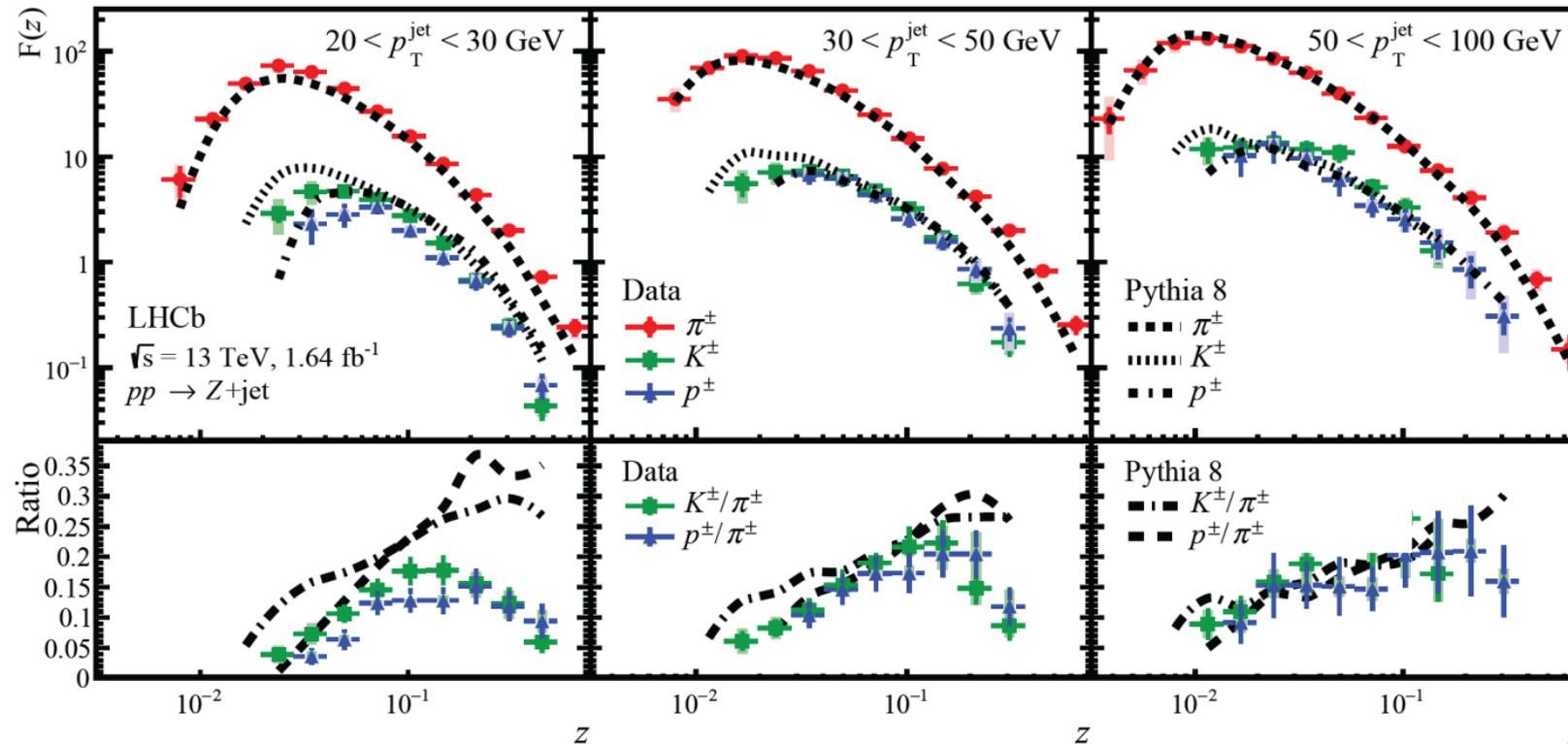
Threshold production

Production via decay from other  
hadrons

...?



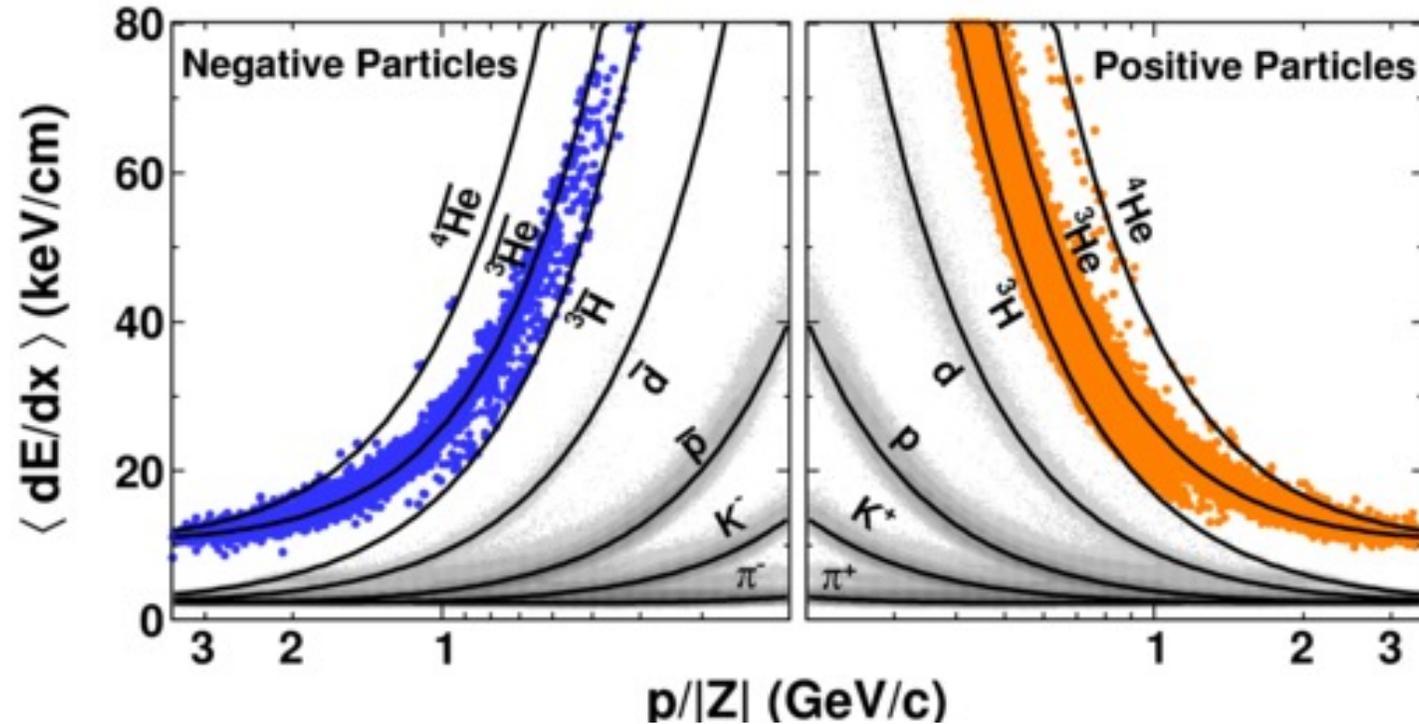
# Identified hadron-in-jet fragmentation functions



R. Aaij *et al.* (LHCb Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D **108**, L031103

Hadron-in-jet theory developments + measurements offer  
new opportunities

# Bound states of hadronic bound states: Creating (anti)nuclei!



*Are any of the recently discovered tetraquarks and pentaquarks hadronic molecules?*

*What can we learn about hadron structure and/or hadronization from these exotic hadrons?*



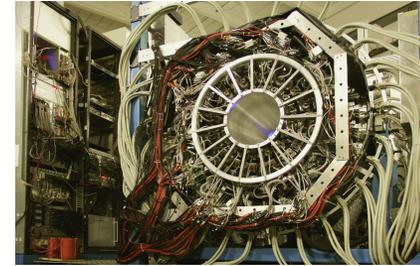
# Spectroscopy: a global endeavor

	Heavy quarks ←→ Light quarks	
Electromagnetic probes	$e^+e^-$ 	$\gamma p$ 
Hadronic probes	$\bar{p}p$ $pp$ 	$\bar{p}p$ $\pi p$ 

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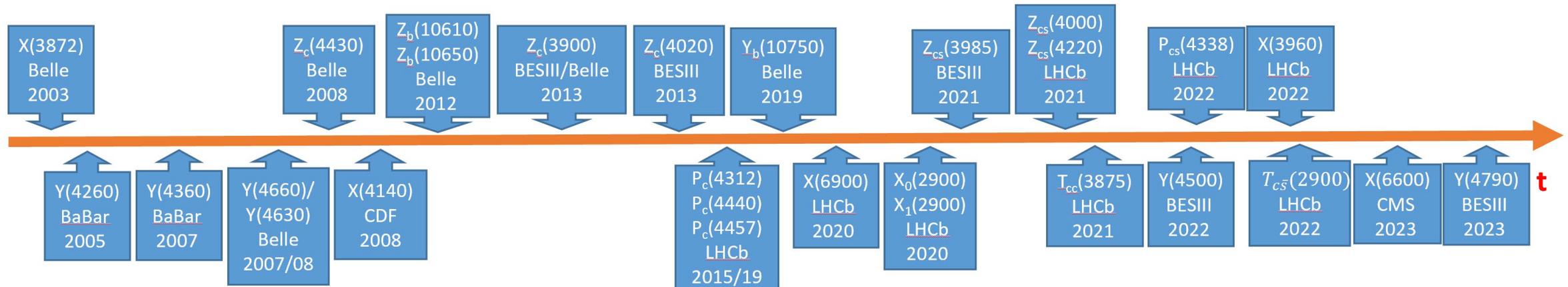


**LEPS (Spring-8), BGOOD (E1), GRAAL (ESRF),**

⇔ **polarized beam, polarized target**

Results from photoproduction do now enter the PDG and determine the properties of baryon resonances! Observation of new baryon resonances (U. Thoma @Erice School 2023)

- Lots of states with heavy quarks (c, b) and exotic properties were observed since the discovery of the X(3872) in 2003!
- They are candidates of hadronic molecules, hybrids, and multiquark states.



$Z_Q$ :  $I=1$  & a  $Q\bar{Q}$  pair  
 $P_Q$ :  $I=1/2$  & a  $Q\bar{Q}$  pair  
 $Y$ :  $J^{PC}=1^{--}$   
 $T_{QQ}$ : tetraquark state  
 $X$ : other states

New spectrum emerges although more effort is needed to understand the nature of them.

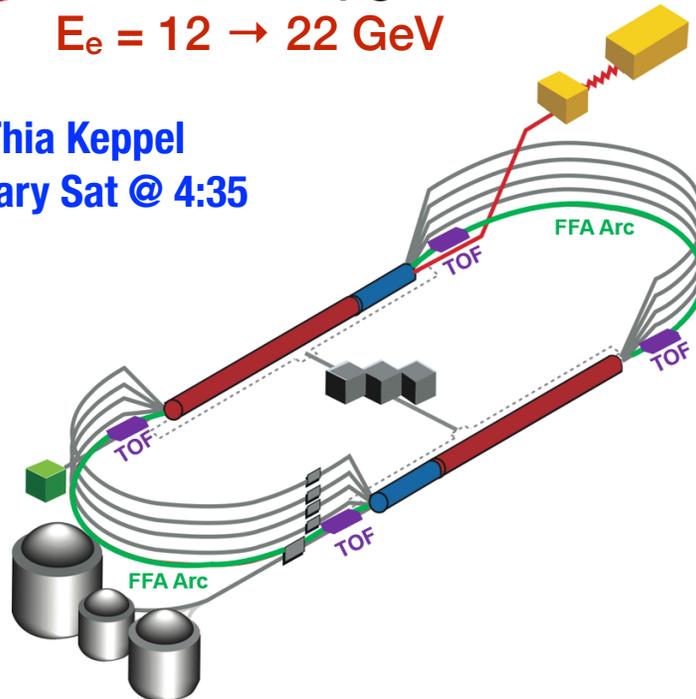
# Photoproduction of $XYZ$ states

Future

**Complementary** access to charmonium photoproduction with higher energy facilities

Jefferson Lab upgrade:  
 $E_e = 12 \rightarrow 22 \text{ GeV}$

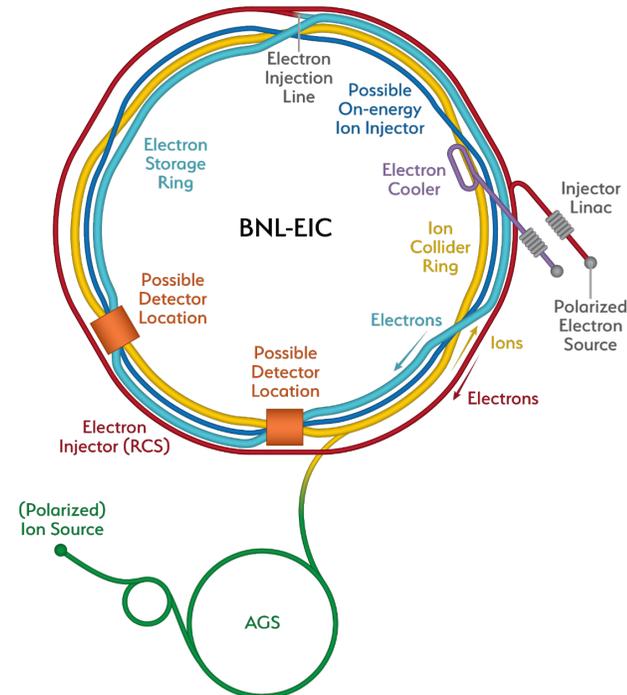
Thia Keppel  
 Plenary Sat @ 4:35



$$\sqrt{s}_{\gamma p} = 1.5 - 6.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{ep} = 10^{35} - 10^{37} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Electron Ion Collider (EIC)



$$\sqrt{s}_{\gamma p} = 5 - 141 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{ep} = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

# The Electron-Ion Collider

Polarized electrons colliding with polarized protons, polarized light ions, and heavy ions will allow us to study sea-quarks and gluons to understand:

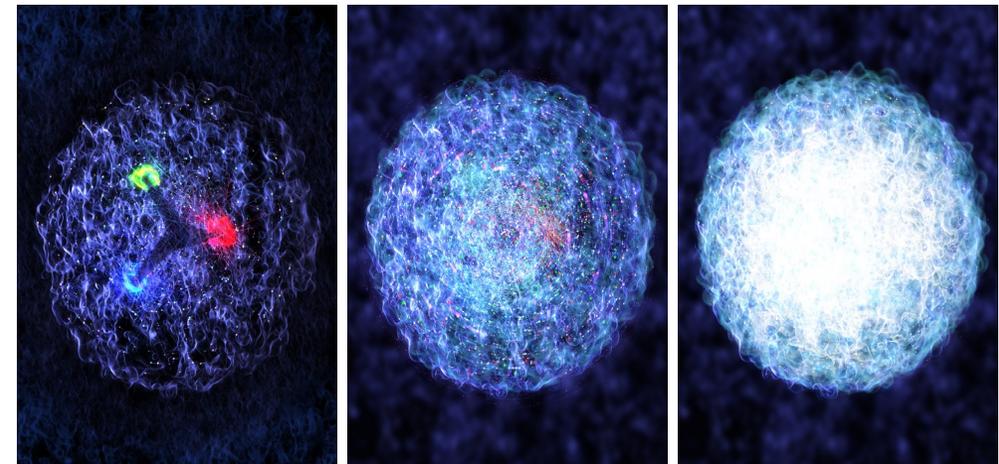
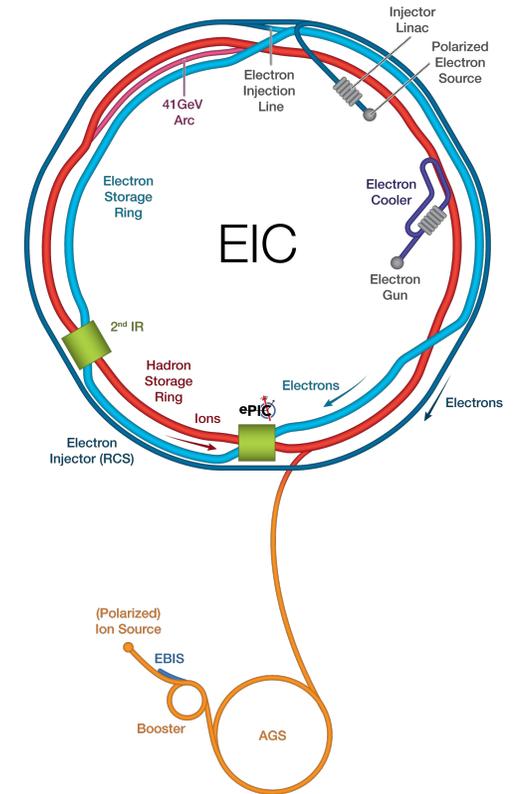
- mass and spin of the proton.
- spatial and momentum distribution of low-x partons
- Possible gluon saturation
- modifications of parton distribution functions when a nucleon is embedded in a nucleus
- hadron formation

The EIC is a partnership between BNL and Jefferson Lab.

Project is aiming for CD2/3 in 2025

ePIC detector design is advanced. Significant international support and participation (160+ institutions, 24 countries).

## Major discovery potential!



Thank you for your time and attention!



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