

The Electron-Ion Collider

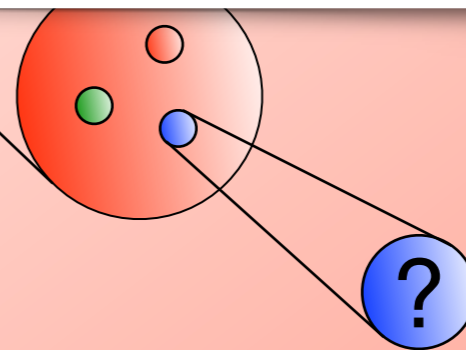
Peering deep into nucleons and nuclei

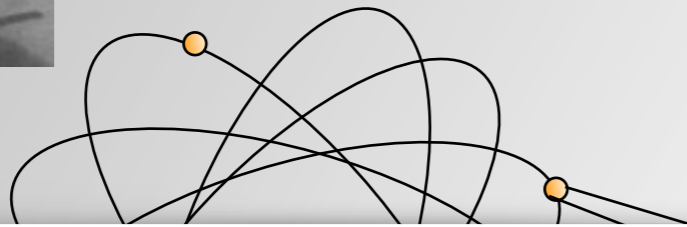
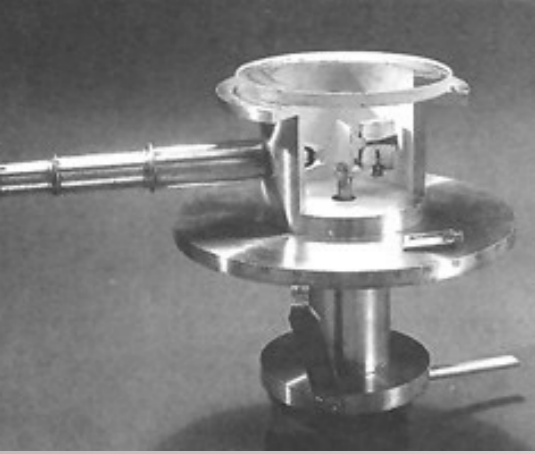
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 \sim GeV

$< 10^{-18}$ m





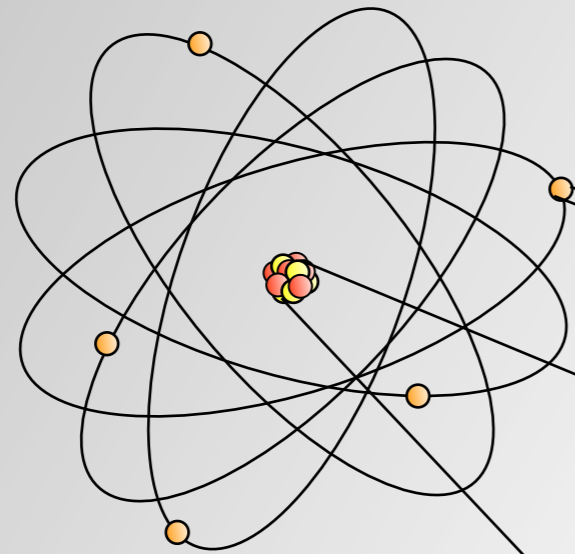
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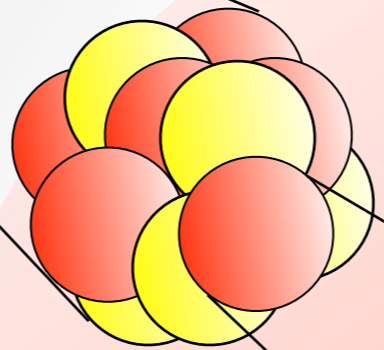
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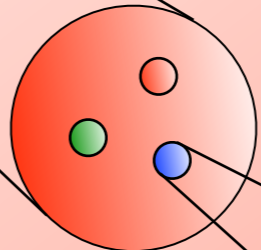




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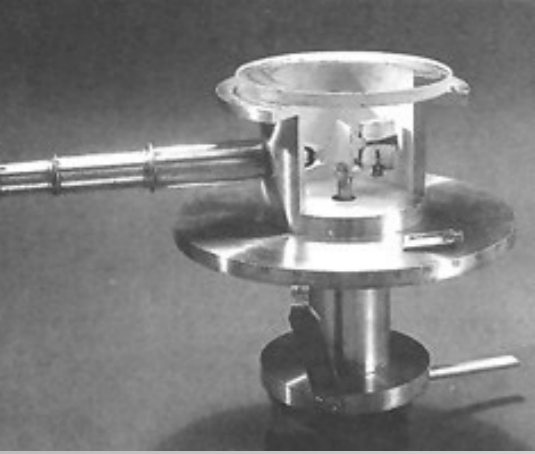


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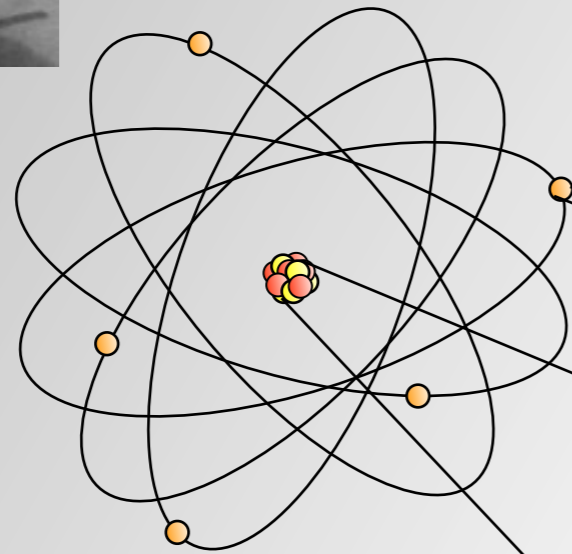
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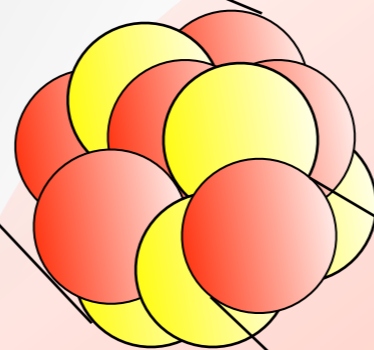
$1\text{eV} = 1.60 \cdot 10^{-19} \text{ J}$



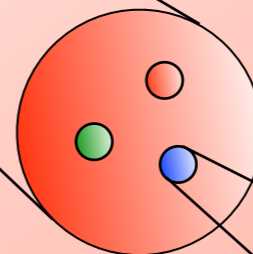
*A history of new insight
from new capability*



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What *is* a proton, neutron, nucleus?



Proton — a strongly-bound object of ~ 0.8 fm (charge) radius,
 ~ 0.94 GeV mass
spin $1/2$

None of these are Standard Model parameters,

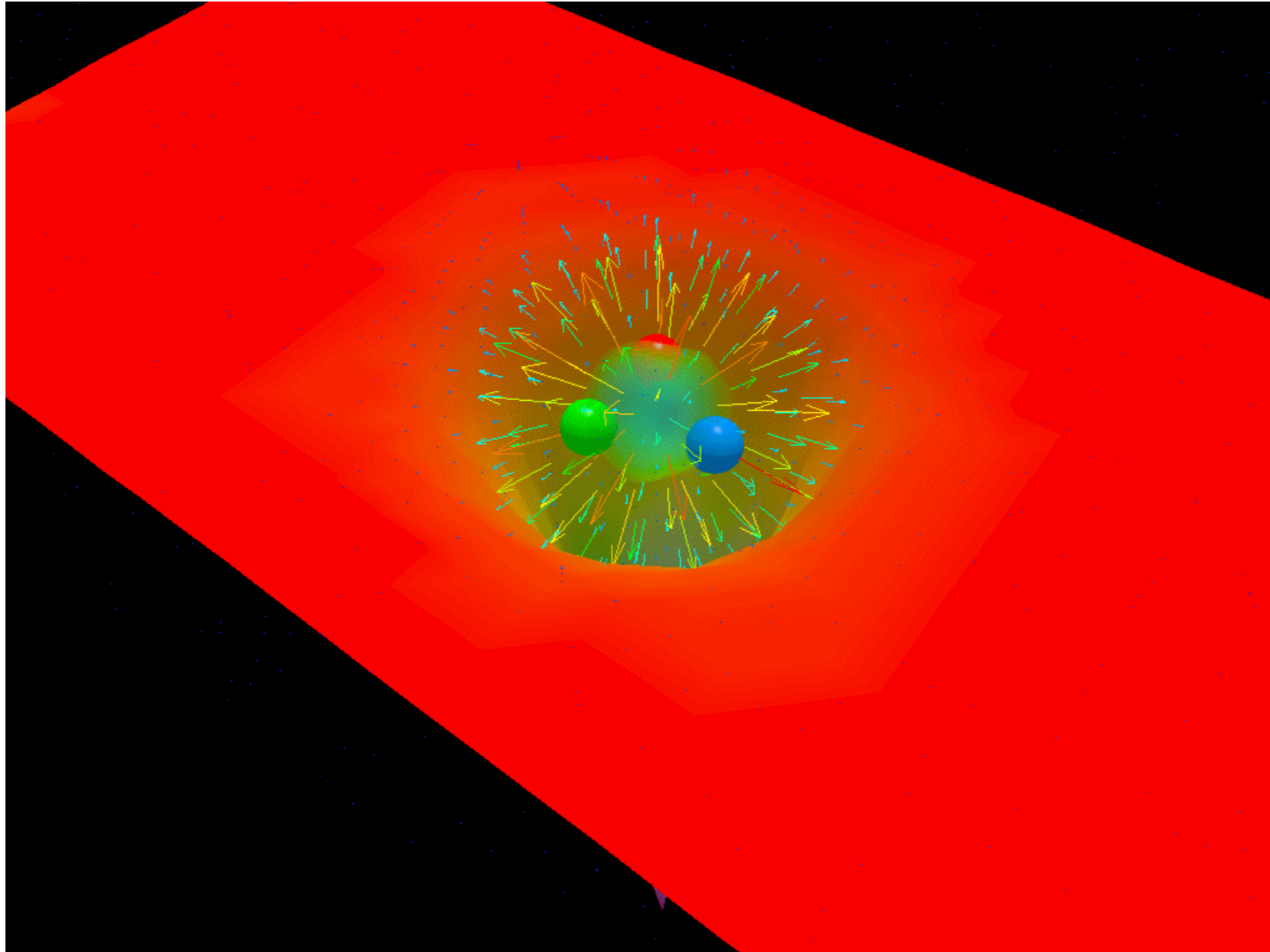
Constituent quark model — $g_p \sim 5.6$ ✓, $g_n \sim -3.8$ ✓, spectroscopy ✓

Lots of gluons in high-energy inelastic collisions,

Ab-initio (lattice) QCD calculations have started to enter the stage,

To provoke a little: society is still *far* from “QCD-engineering.”

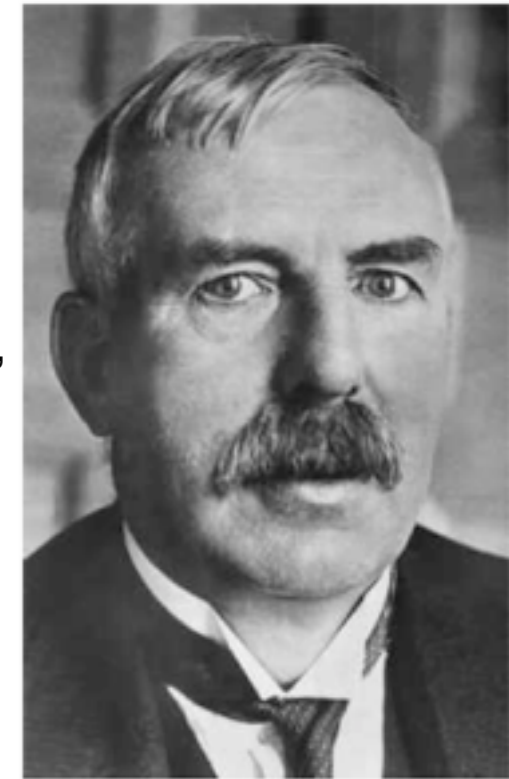
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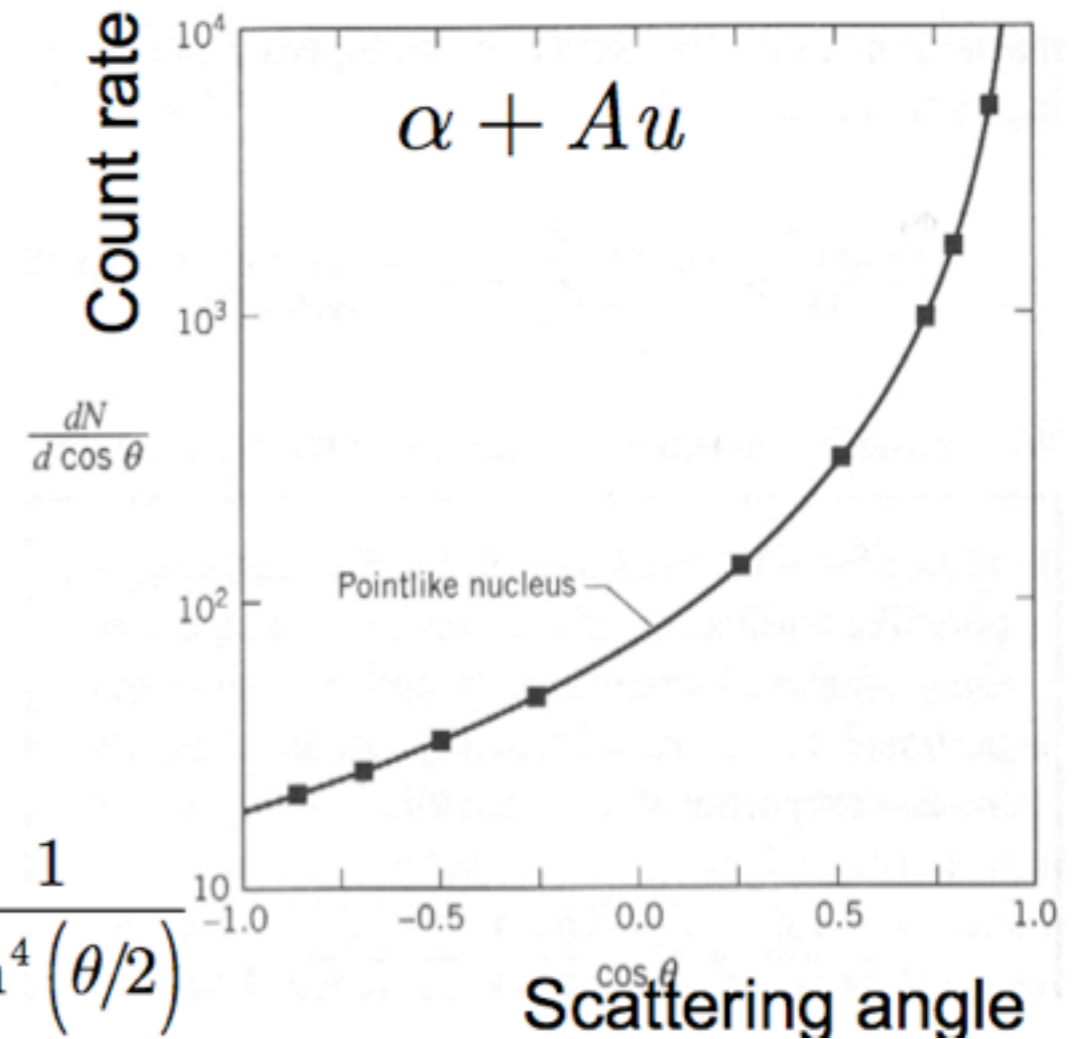
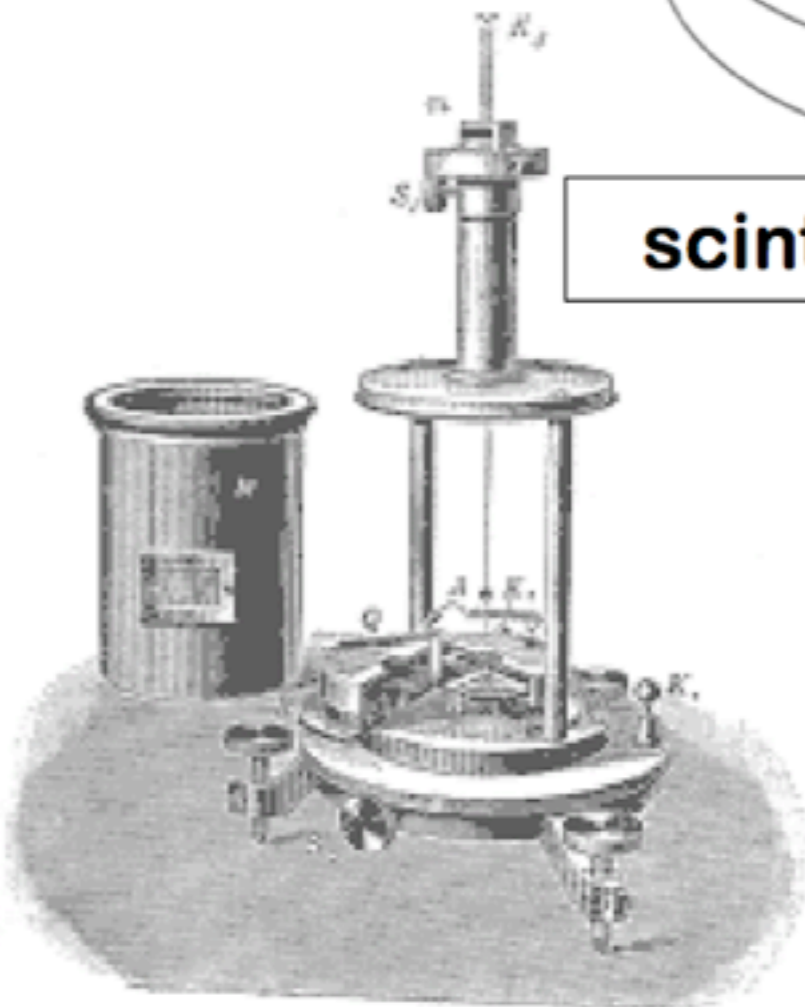
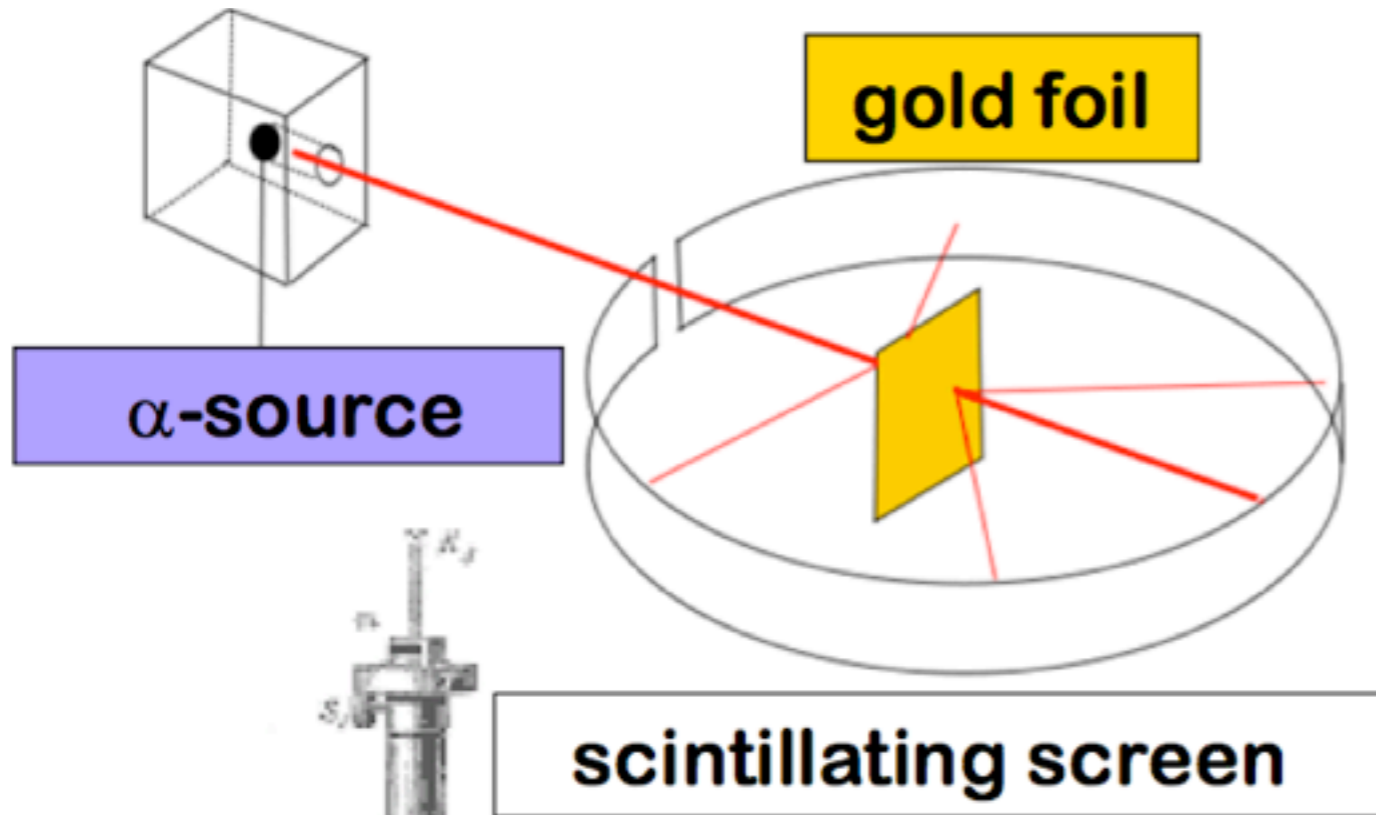
“Gluon flux-tube distribution and linear confinement in baryons”,
F. Bissey, et al., Phys. Rev. D 76, 114512 (2007)

~5 MeV

Rutherford Scattering



Ernest Rutherford,
Nobel Prize 1908

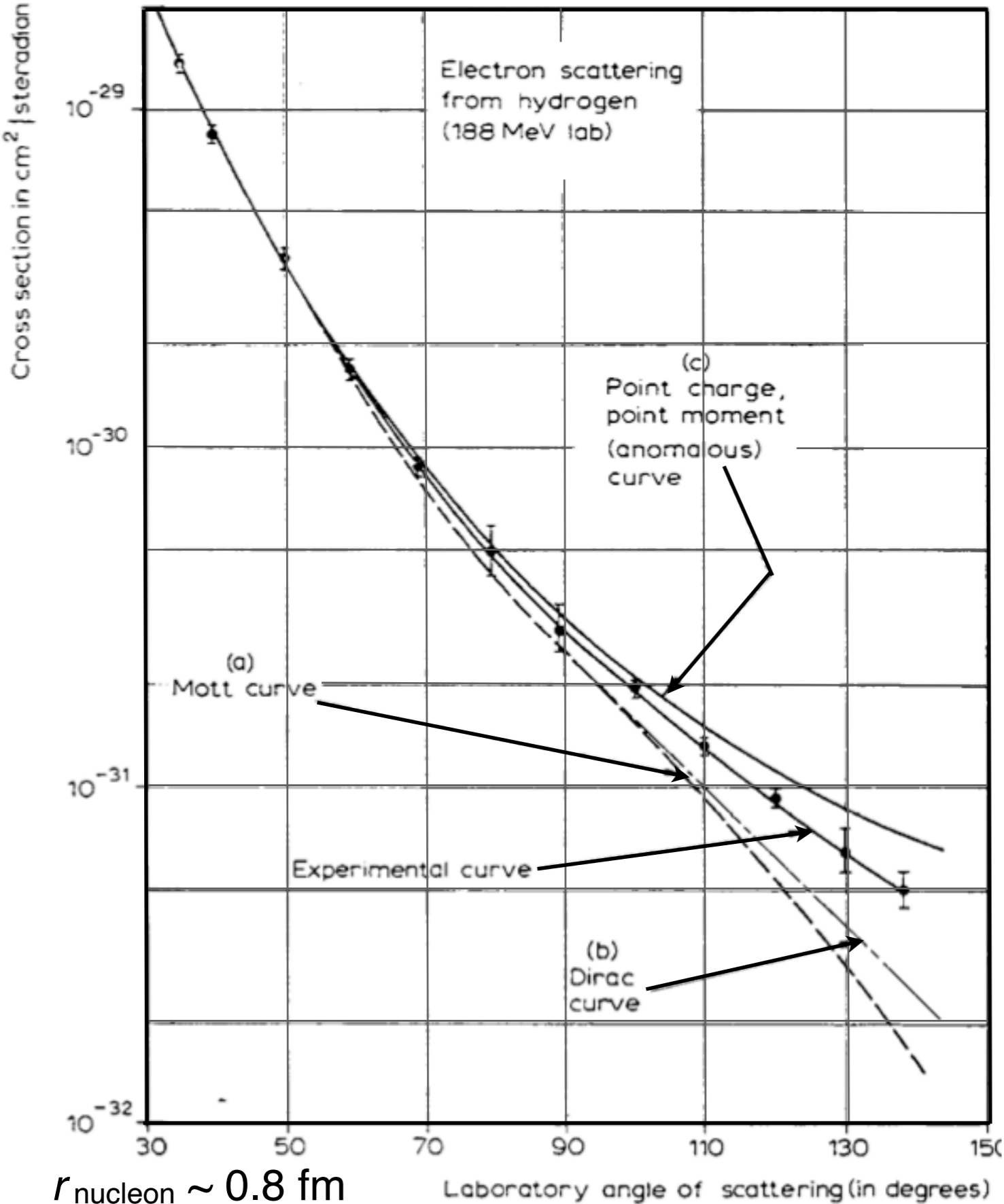
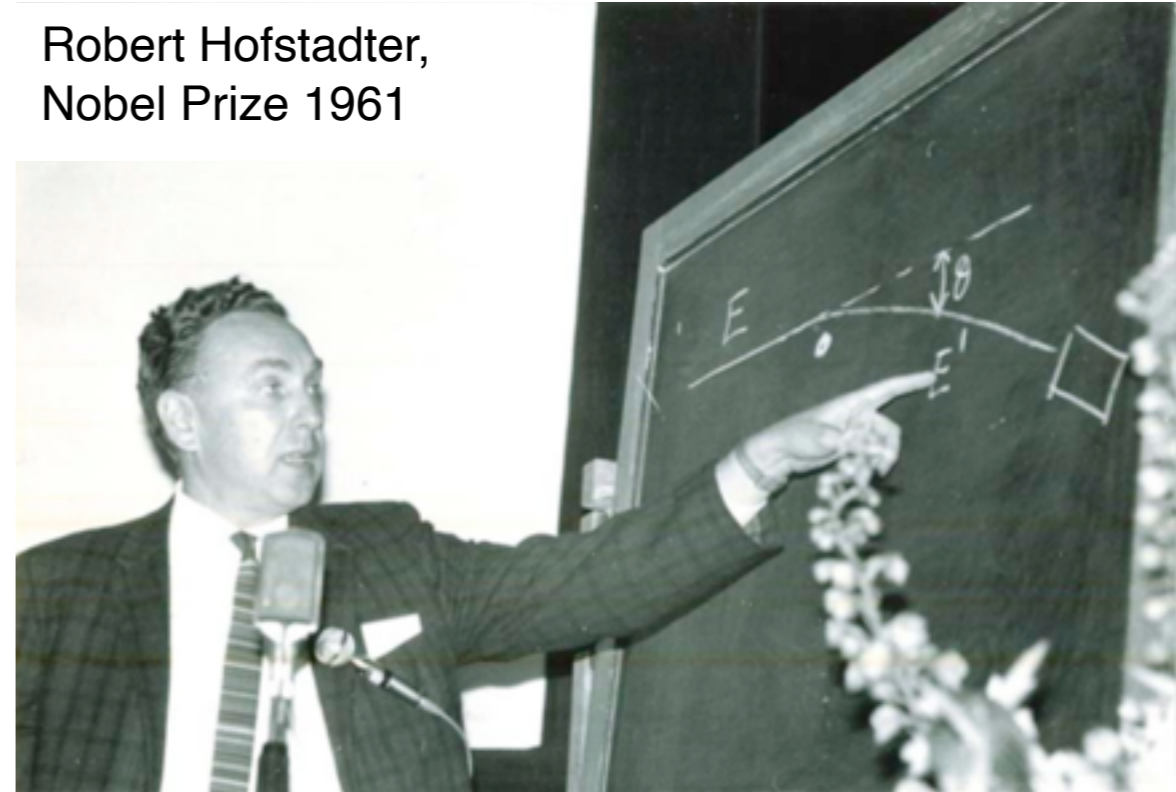


$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = (zZ\alpha)^2 \left(\frac{\hbar c}{4E_{\text{kin}}} \right)^2 \frac{1}{\sin^4(\theta/2)}$$

Scattering off a hard sphere; $r_{\text{nucleus}} \sim (10^{-4} \cdot r_{\text{atom}}) \sim 10^{-14} \text{ m}$

~200 MeV

Elastic Electron Scattering



Scattering off a spin-1/2 Dirac particle:

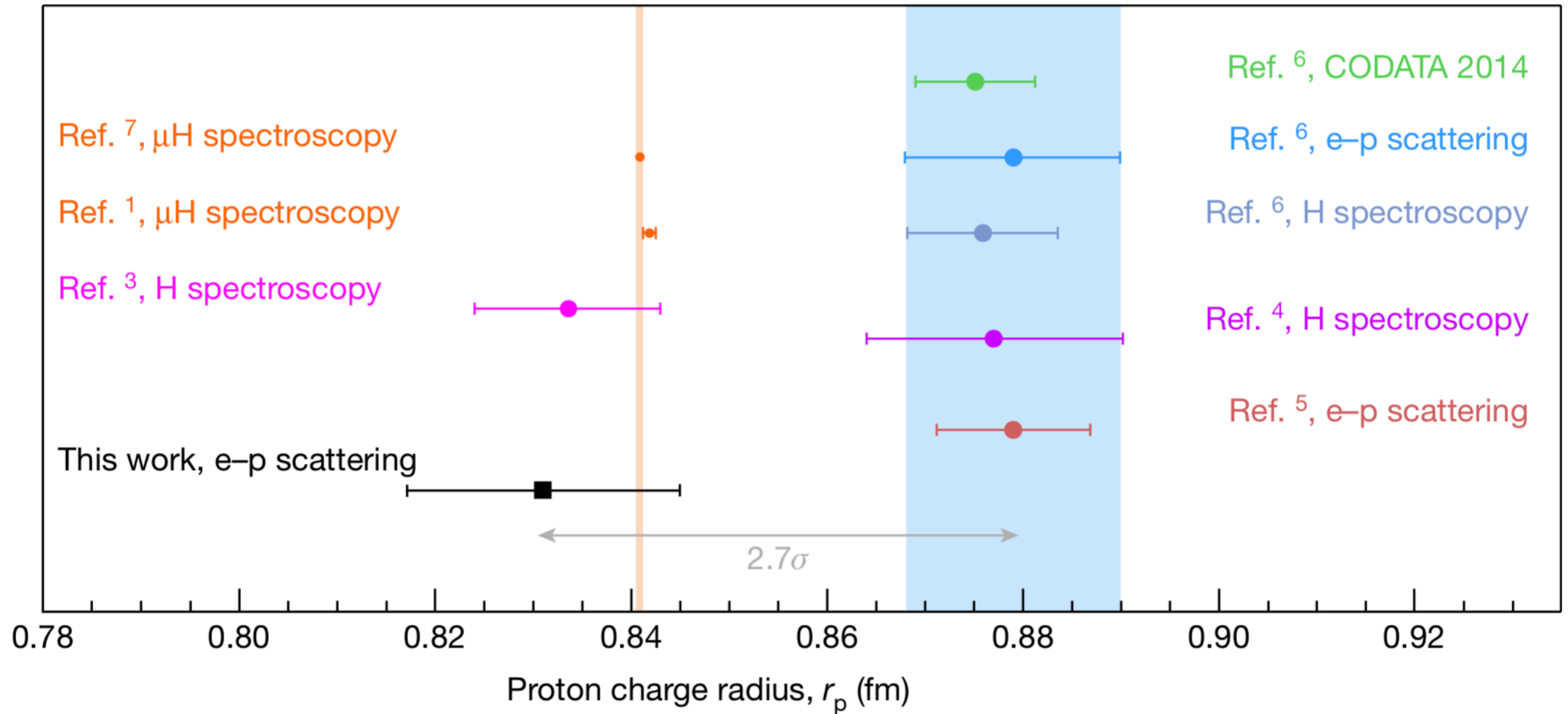
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{4ME \sin^2(\theta/2)} \right)^2 \frac{E'}{E} \left[\frac{q^2}{2M} \sin^2(\theta/2) + \cos^2(\theta/2) \right]$$

The proton has an anomalous magnetic moment,

$$g_p \neq 2, \quad g_p \simeq 5.6$$

and, hence, internal (spin) structure.

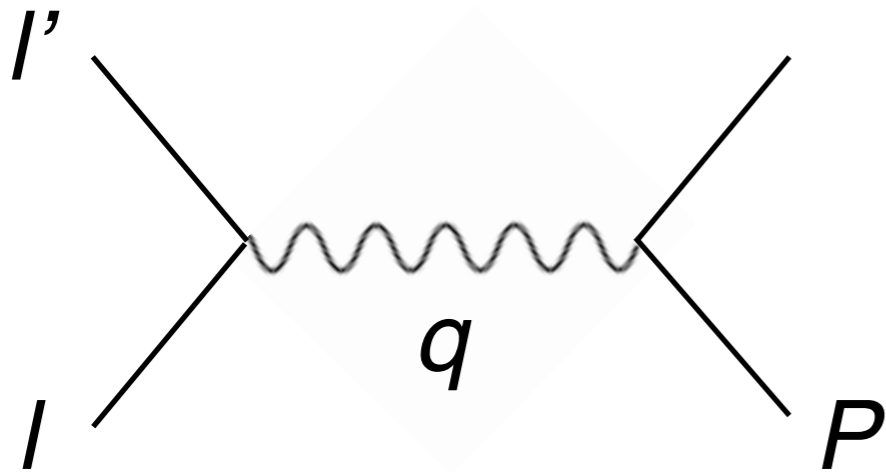
Intermezzo



Proton charge radius continues to be highly topical

Note: “This work” refers to the pRad low- Q^2 e-p scattering experiment at Jefferson Laboratory, Look forward to μ -p scattering data from MUSE at PSI.

Elastic Electron Scattering



$$d\sigma \propto \langle |\mathcal{M}|^2 \rangle = \frac{g_e^4}{q^4} L_{\text{lepton}}^{\mu\nu} K_{\mu\nu \text{ nucleon}}$$

The lepton tensor is calculable:

$$L_{\text{lepton}}^{\mu\nu} = 2 (k^\mu k'^\nu + k^\nu k'^\mu + g^{\mu\nu} (m^2 - k \cdot k'))$$

The nucleon tensor is not; it's general (spin-averaged, parity conserved) form is:

$$K_{\mu\nu \text{ nucleon}} = -K_1 g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{K_2}{M^2} p_\mu p_\nu + \frac{K_4}{M^2} q_\mu q_\nu + \frac{K_5}{M^2} (p_\mu q_\nu + p_\nu q_\mu)$$

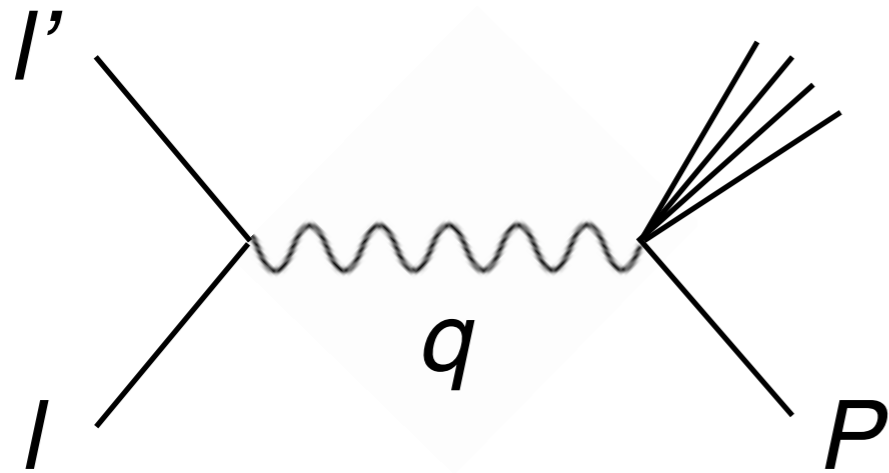
Charge conservation at the proton vertex reduces the number of structure functions:

$$q_\mu K_{\text{nucleon}}^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow K_4 = f(K_1, K_2), \quad K_5 = g(K_2)$$

and one obtains the Rosenbluth form, with electric and magnetic form factors:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{4ME \sin^2(\theta/2)} \right)^2 \frac{E'}{E} [2K_1 \sin^2(\theta/2) + K_2 \cos^2(\theta/2)], \quad K_{1,2}(q^2)$$

Inelastic Scattering



Considerably more complex, indeed!

Simplify - consider *inclusive* inelastic scattering,

$$d\sigma \propto \langle |\mathcal{M}|^2 \rangle = \frac{g_e^4}{q^4} L_{\text{lepton}}^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu \text{ nucleon}}, \quad W_{\mu\nu \text{ nucleon}}(p, q)$$

Again, two (parity-conserving, spin-averaged) structure functions:

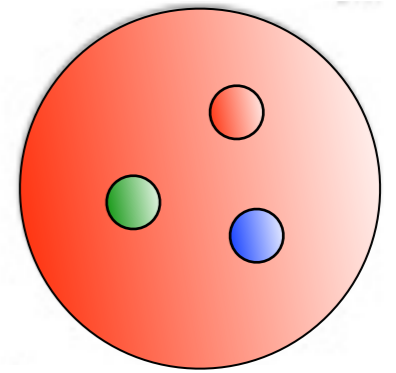
$$W_1, W_2 \quad \text{or, alternatively expressed, } F_1, F_2$$

which may depend on two invariants,

$$Q^2 = -q^2, \quad x = \frac{q^2}{2q \cdot p}, \quad 0 < x < 1$$

So much for the structure, the physics is in the structure functions.

Elastic scattering off Dirac Partons



Imagine *incoherent* scattering off *Dirac* Partons (quarks) q :

$$W_1^q = \frac{e_q^2}{2m_q} \delta(x_q - 1), \quad W_2^q = -\frac{2m_q e_q^2}{q^2} \delta(x_q - 1) \quad \text{and} \quad x_q = -\frac{q^2}{2q \cdot p_q}$$

and, furthermore suppose that the quarks carry a fraction, z , of the proton momentum

$$p_q = z_q p, \quad \text{so that} \quad x_q = \frac{x}{z_q} \quad (\text{also note } m_q = z_q M !)$$

which uses the earlier elastic scattering example.

Now,

$$MW_1 = \sum_q \int_0^1 \frac{e_q^2}{2M} \delta(x - z_q) f_q(z_q) dz_q = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q e_q^2 f_q(x) \equiv F_1(x)$$

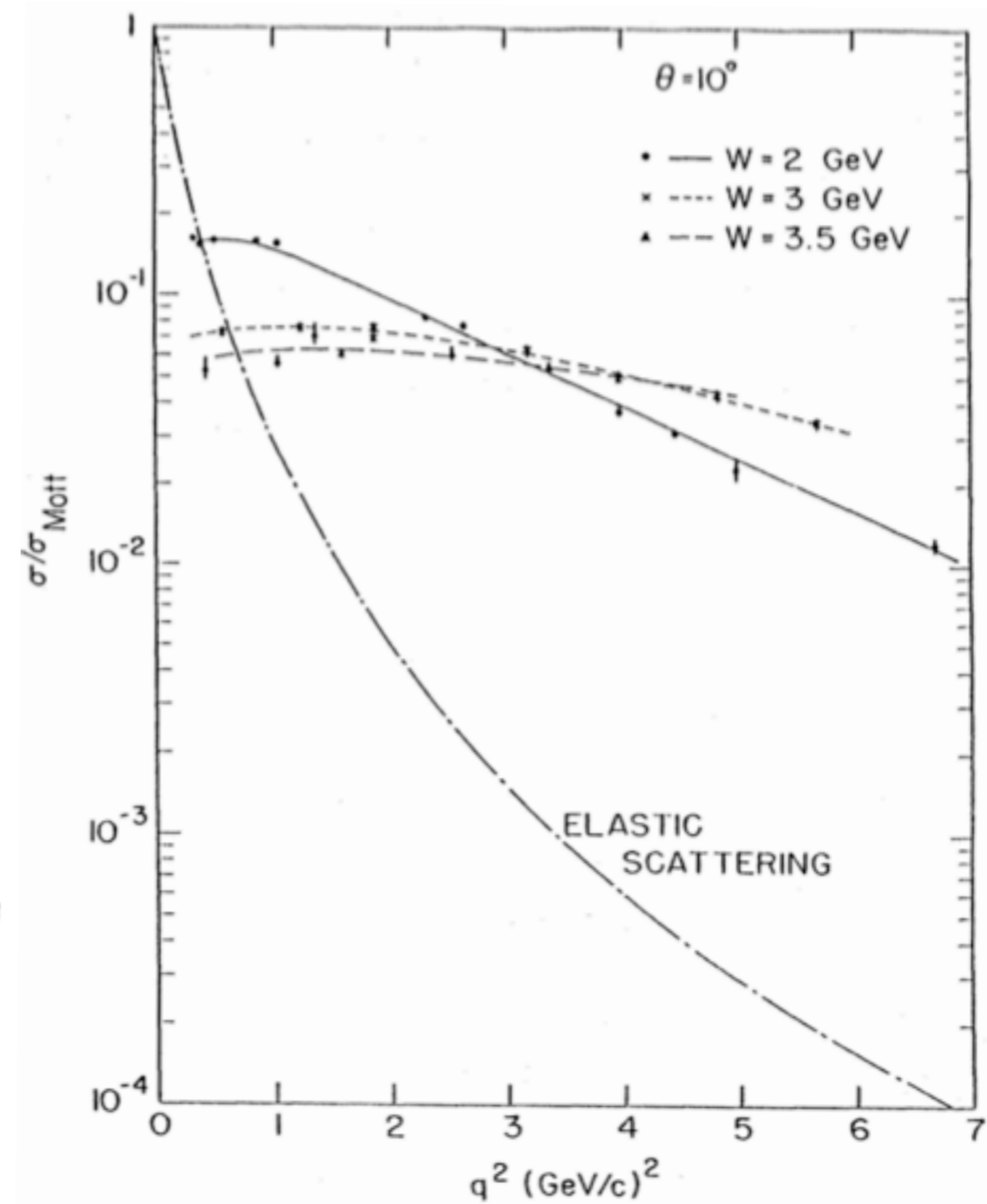
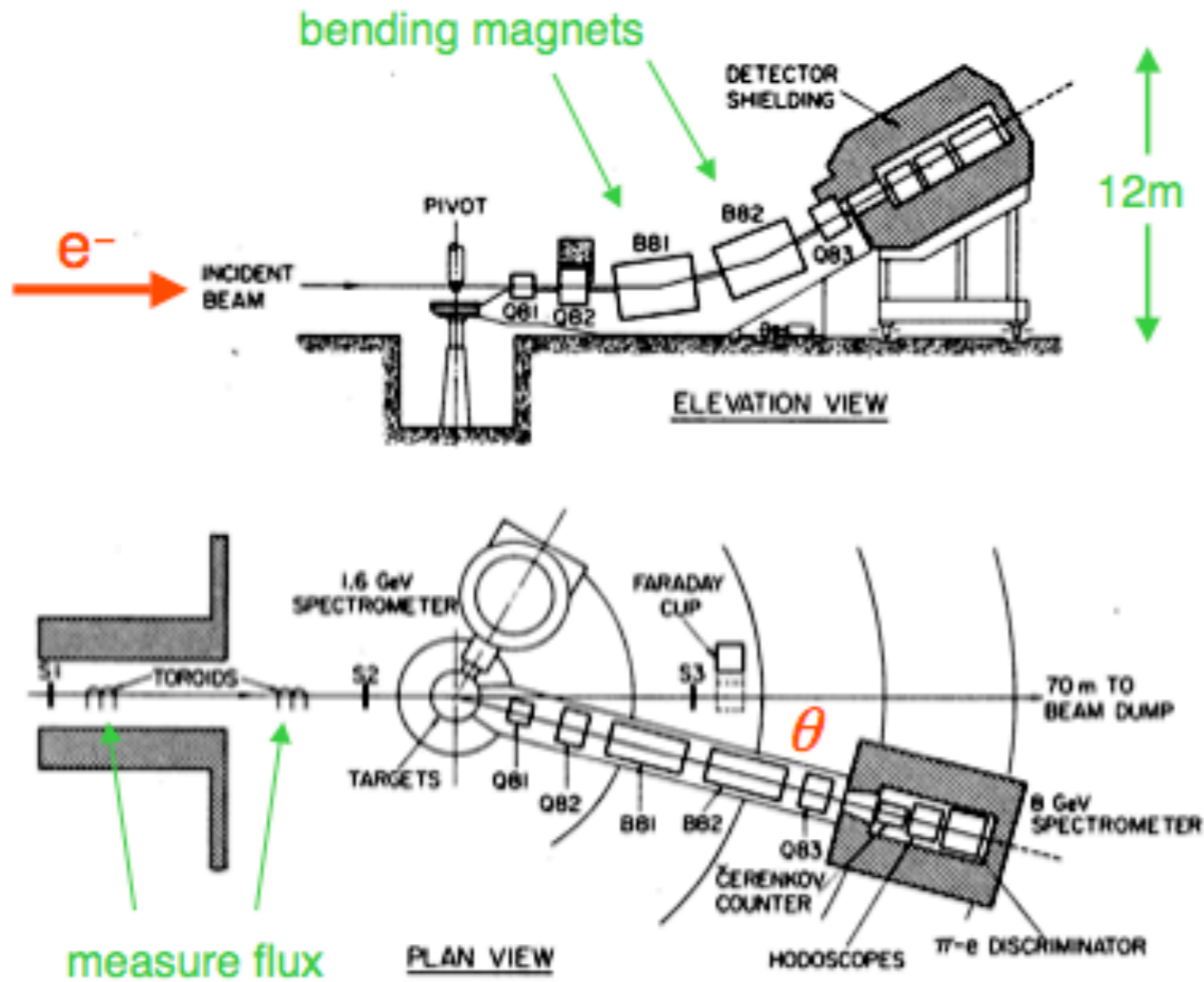
$$-\frac{q^2}{2Mx} W_2 = \int_0^1 x e_q^2 \delta(x - z_q) f_q(z_q) dz_q = x \sum_q e_q^2 f_q(x) \equiv F_2(x)$$

Two important *observable* consequences,

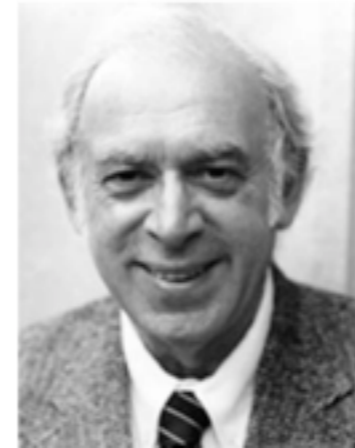
Bjorken scaling: $F_{1,2}(x)$, not $F_{1,2}(x, Q^2)$

Callan-Gross relation: $F_2 = 2xF_1(x)$

~ 10 GeV *Deep-Inelastic* Electron Scattering



Deep-Inelastic Electron Scattering



J.T. Friedman



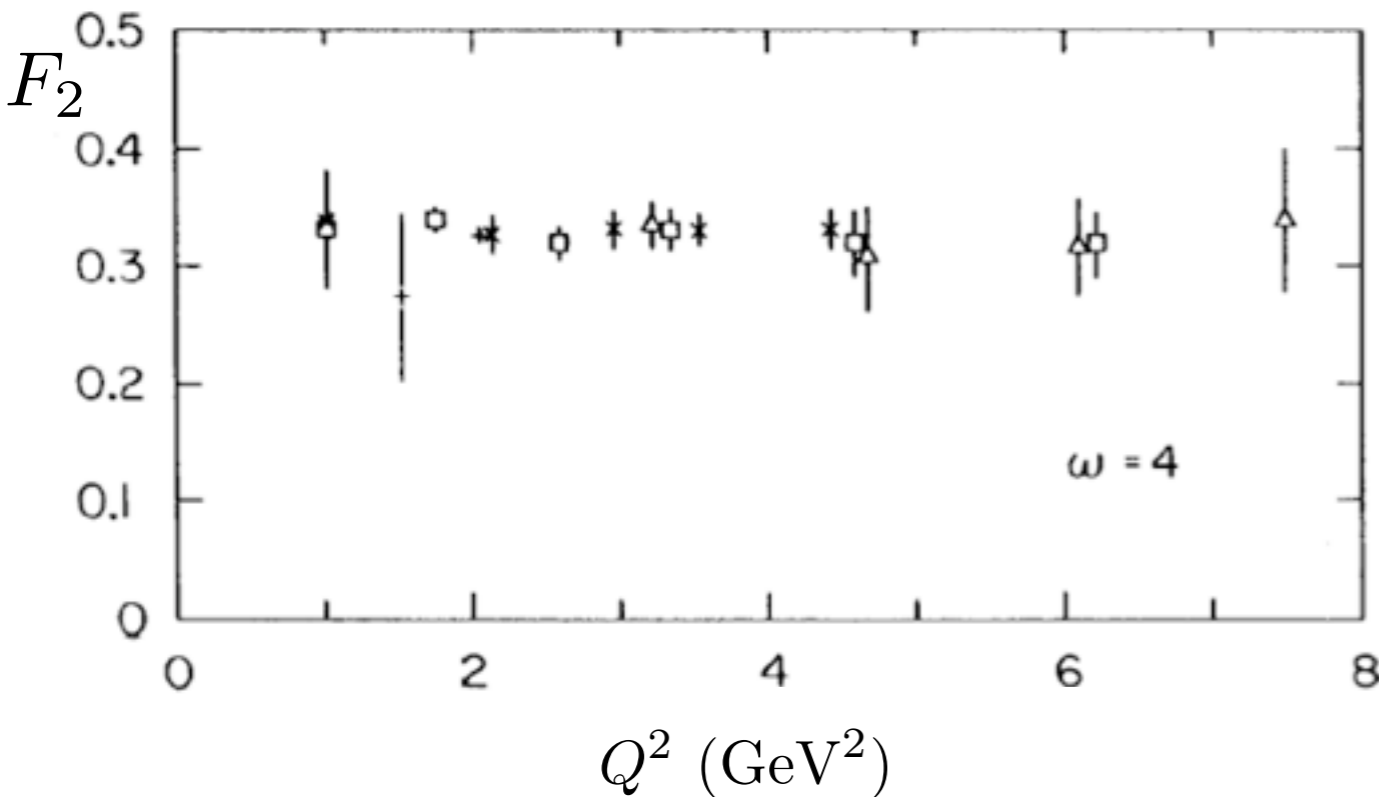
R. Taylor
Nobel Prize 1990



H.W. Kendall

Bjorken scaling:

+ 6° □ 18°
× 10° △ 26°

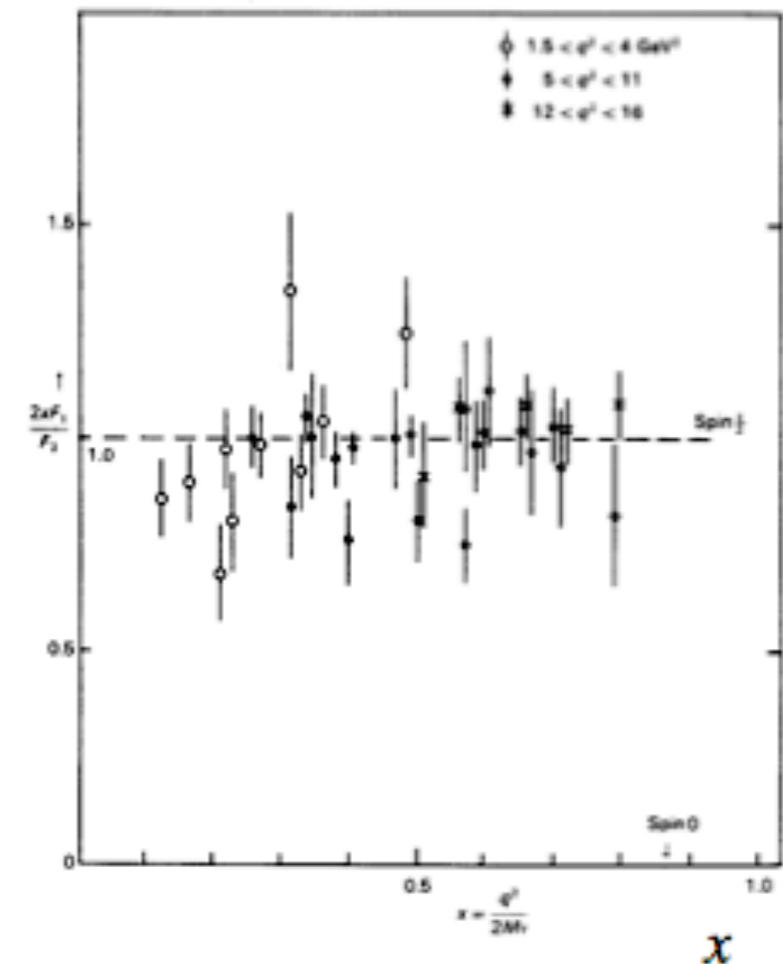


Point particles cannot be further resolved; their measurement does not depend on wavelength, hence Q^2 ,

Spin-1/2 quarks cannot absorb longitudinally polarized vector bosons and, conversely, spin-0 (scalar) quarks cannot absorb transversely polarized photons.

Callan-Gross relation:

$$\frac{2xF_1}{F_2}$$



← spin 1/2

← spin 0

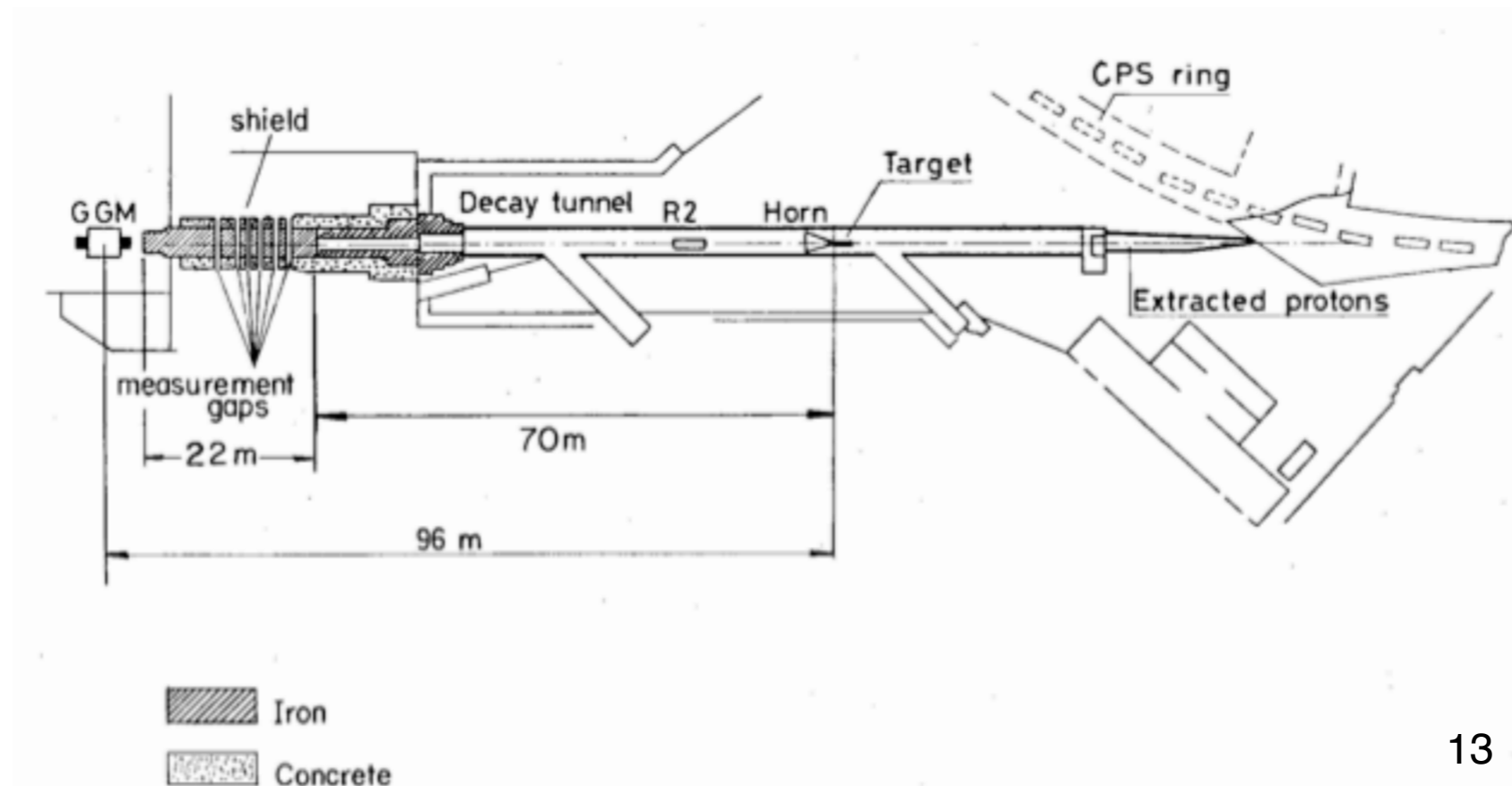
Deep-Inelastic *Neutrino* Scattering



Gargamelle bubble chamber, observation of weak neutral current (1973).

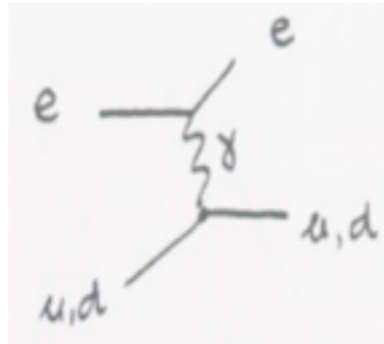
Charged-current DIS!

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- Phys.Lett. **B74** (1978) 134



Deep-Inelastic Scattering - Fractional Electric Charges

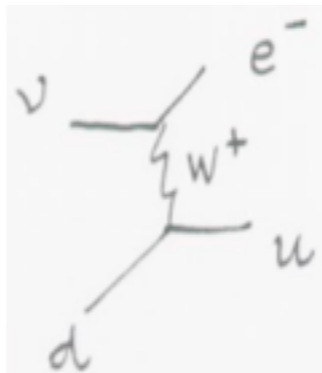
Neutral-current (photon) DIS:



$$F_2 = x \sum e_q^2 (q + \bar{q}), \quad p : uud, \quad n : ddu$$

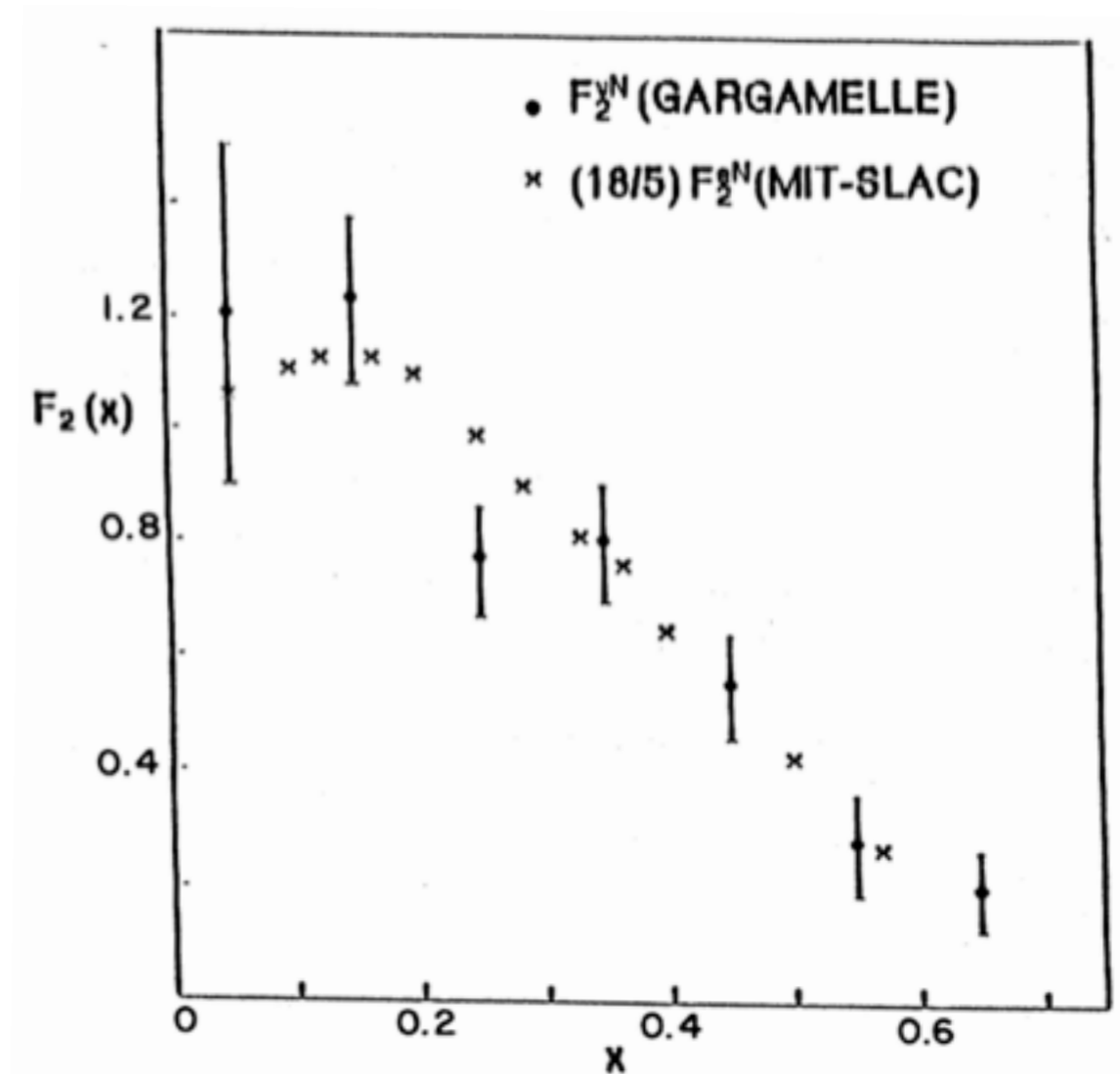
$$F_2^N = x \frac{e_u^2 + e_d^2}{2} (u + \bar{u} + d + \bar{d})$$

Charged-current DIS:



$$F_2^{\nu p} = 2x(d + \bar{u}), \quad F_2^{\nu n} = 2x(u + \bar{d})$$

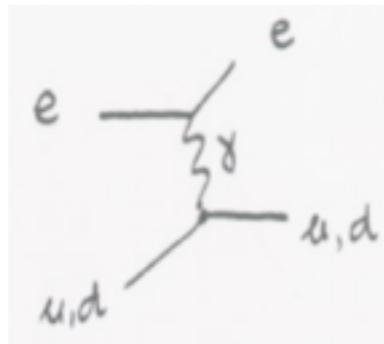
$$F_2^{\nu N} = x(u + \bar{u} + d + \bar{d})$$



Ratio tells us about the fractional quark charge!

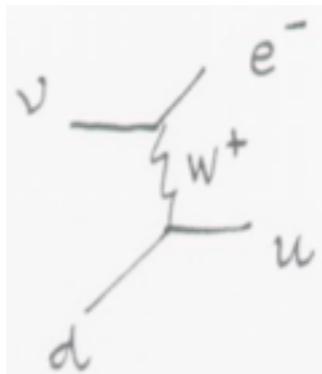
Deep-Inelastic Scattering - Momentum Conservation

Neutral-current (photon) DIS:



$$F_2^N = x \frac{e_u^2 + e_d^2}{2} (u + \bar{u} + d + \bar{d})$$

Charged-current DIS:



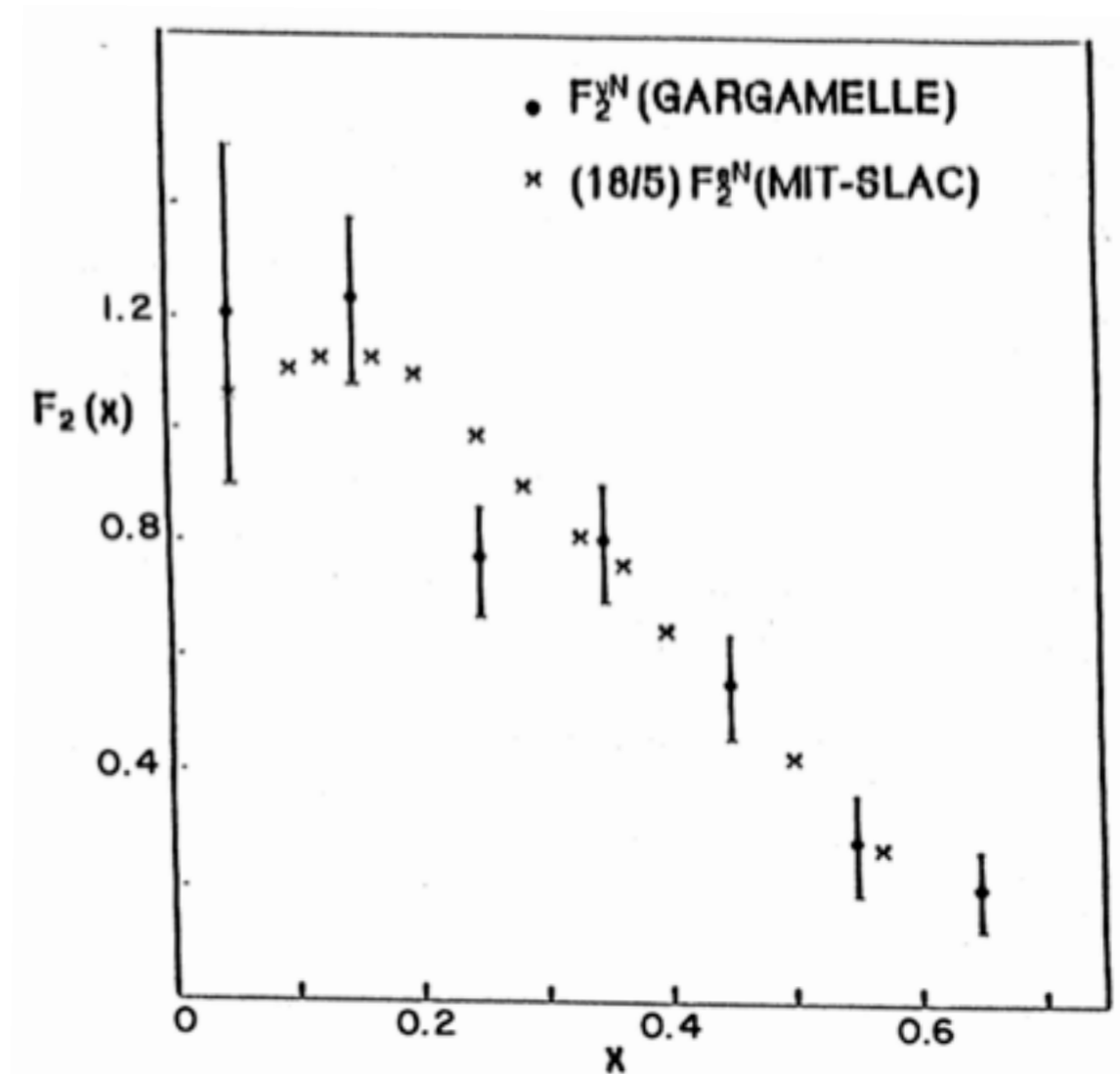
$$F_2^{\nu N} = x(u + \bar{u} + d + \bar{d})$$

Momentum fraction:

$$\int_0^1 F_2^N dx = \frac{e_u^2 + e_d^2}{2} \int_0^1 x(u + \bar{u} + d + \bar{d})$$

Gargamelle: 0.49 +/- 0.07

SLAC: 0.14 +/- 0.05

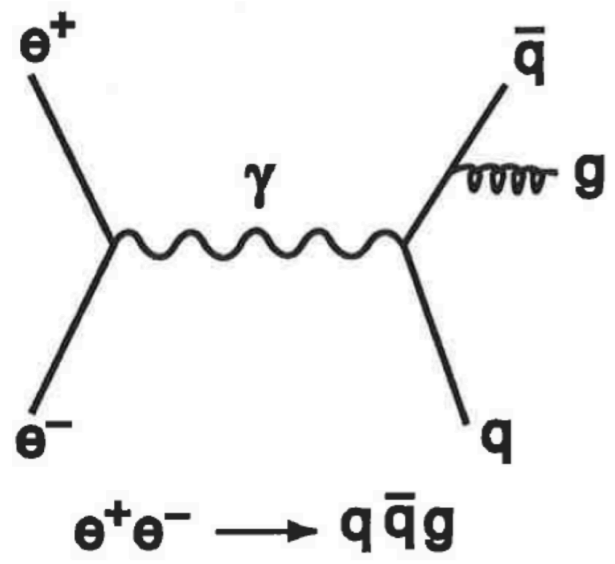


Quarks carry half of the nucleon momentum!

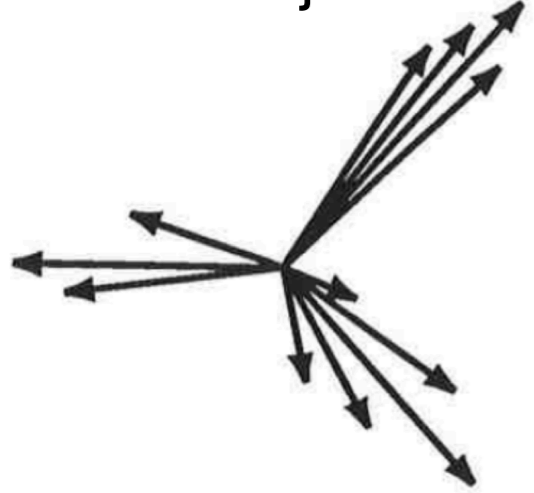
15 – 45 GeV e^+e^- collider

3-jet events at PETRA

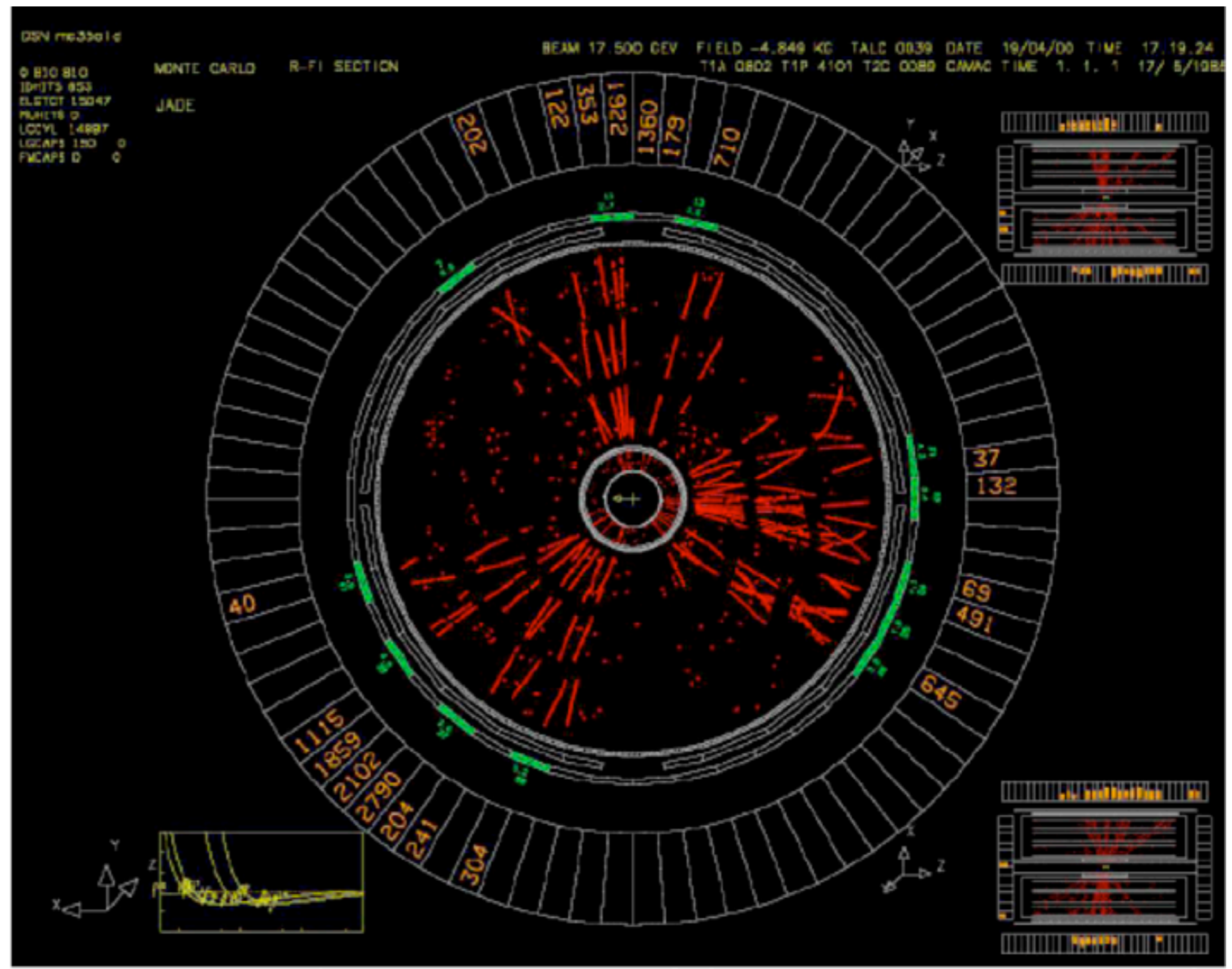
Observation of the higher order process,



as a three-jet event,

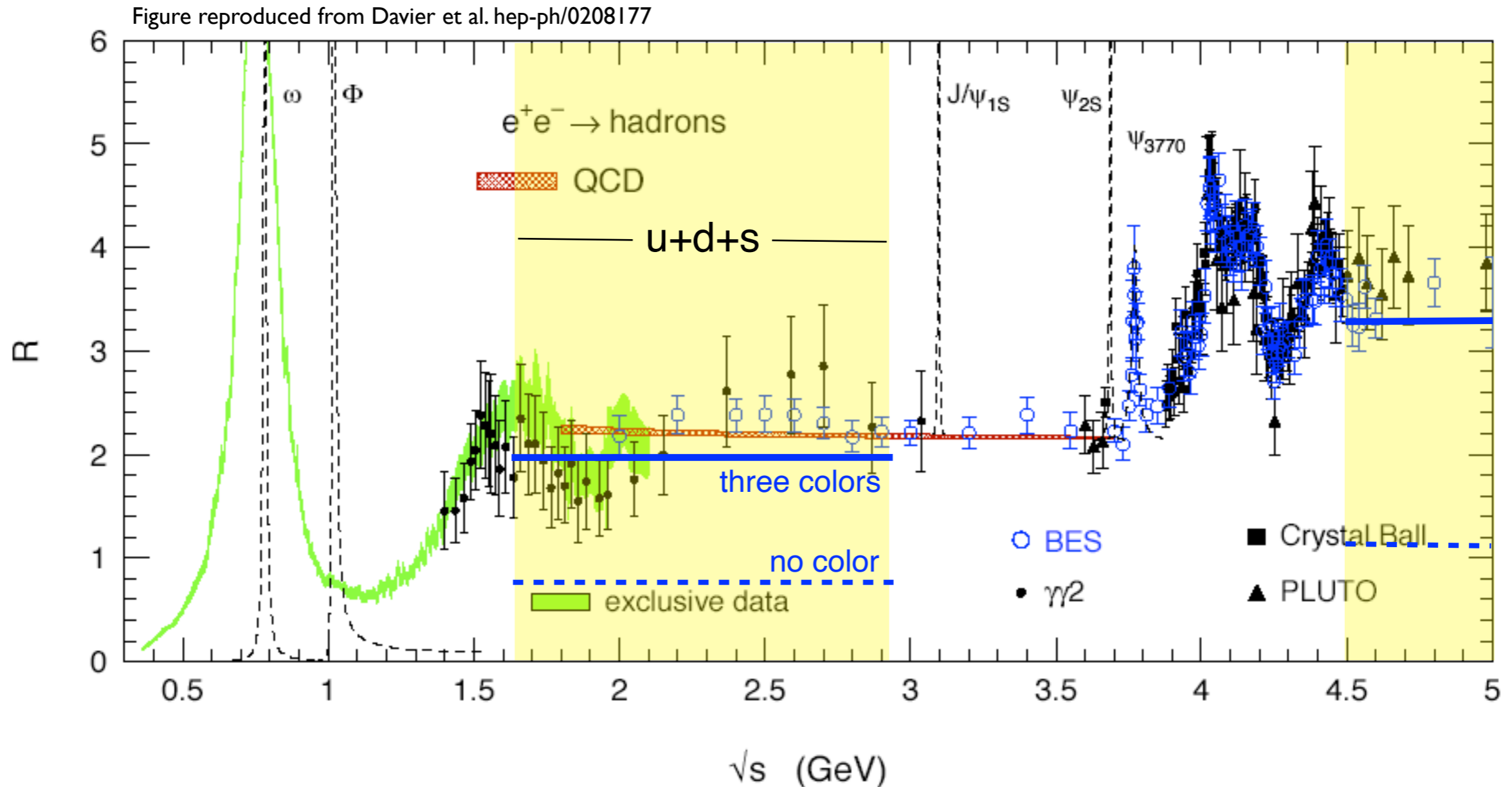


Three-Jet Events marks the discovery of the gluon.



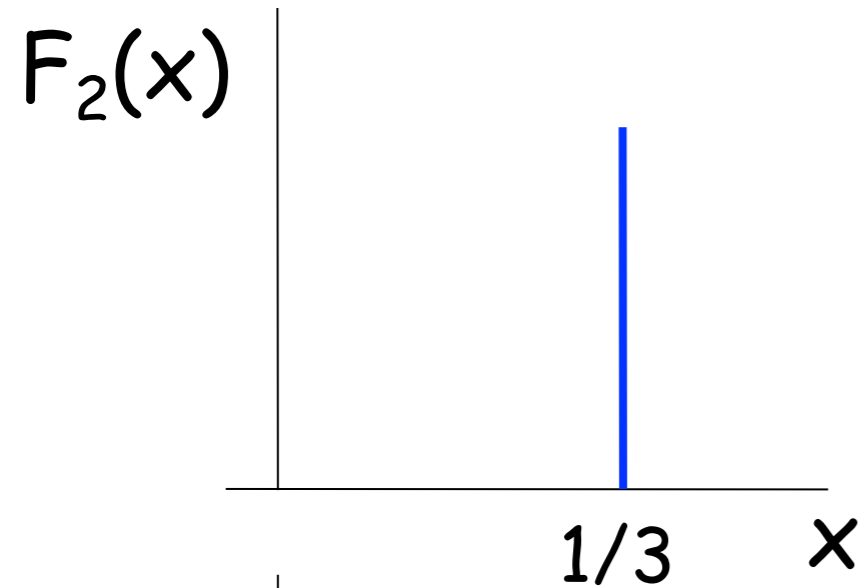
Intermezzo

Role of e^+e^- collisions goes well beyond the discovery of the gluon,
Color in QCD is a common textbook example:

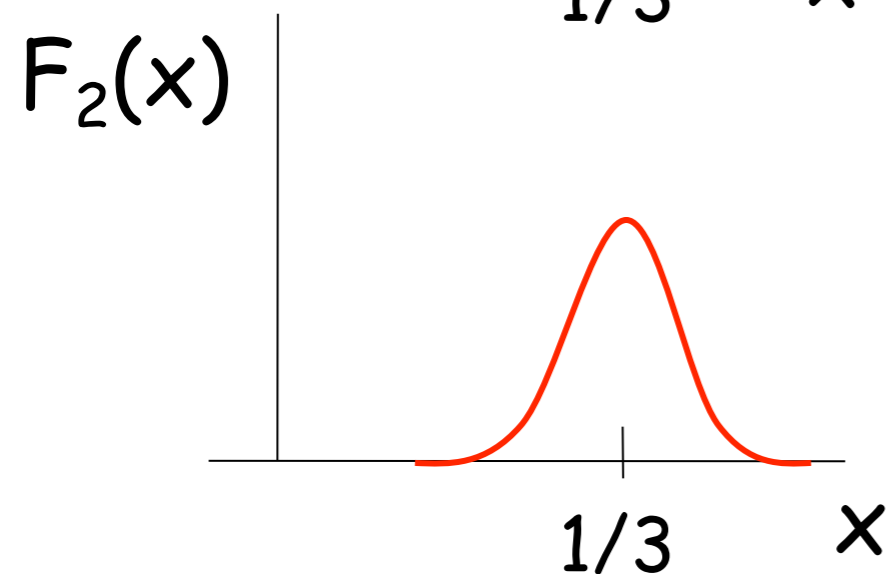


e^+e^- collisions drive insights into fragmentation functions, or colloquially how quarks (and gluons) form hadrons — see e.g. Metz and Vossen, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 91 (2016) 136

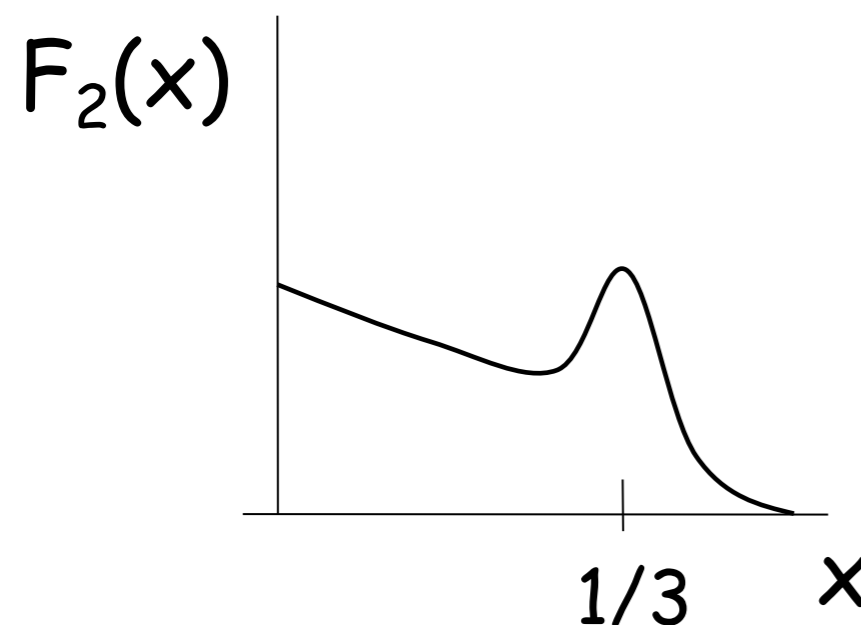
Nucleon Structure



Three quarks with $1/3$ of total proton momentum each.



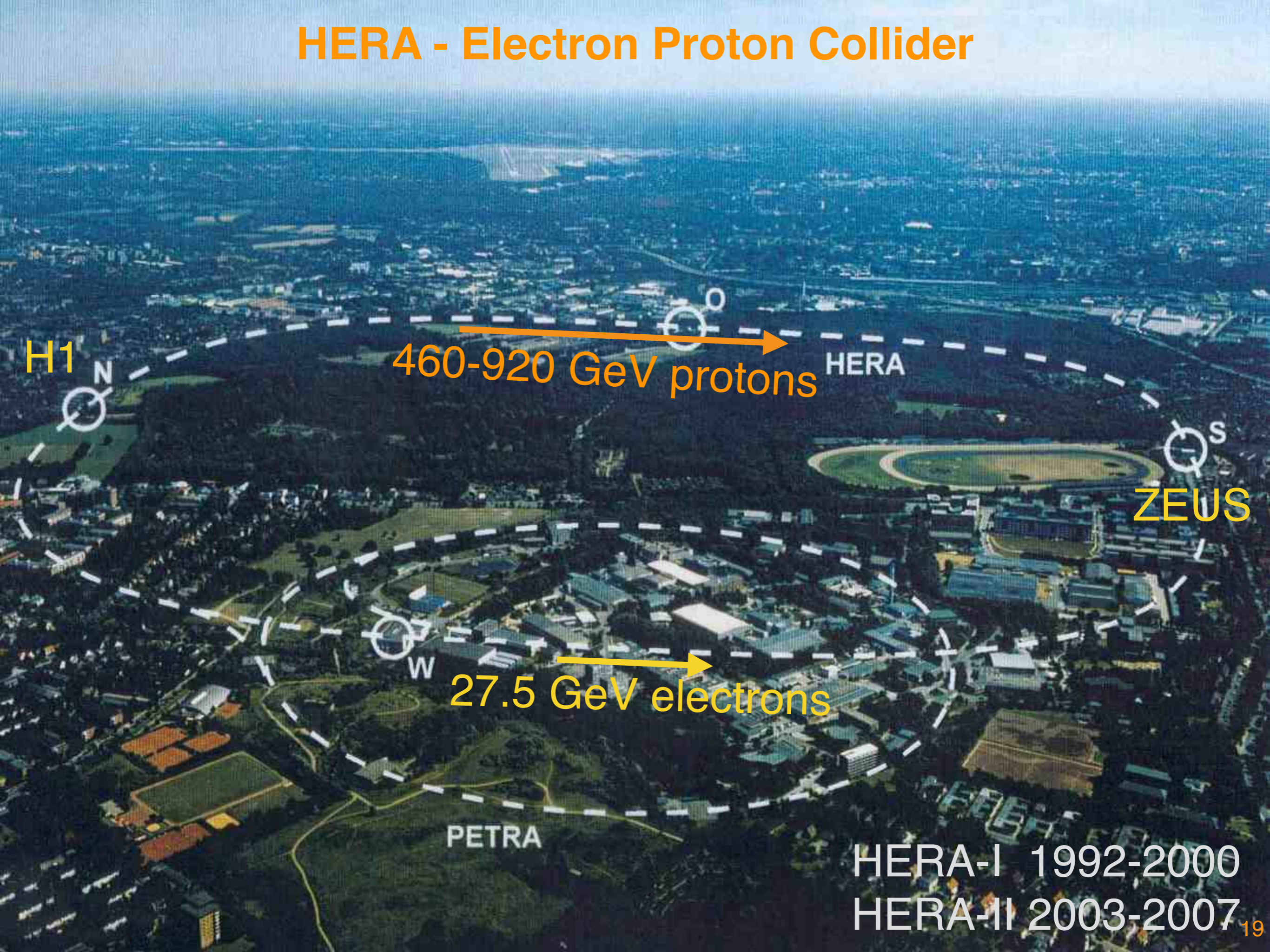
Three quarks with some momentum smearing.



The three quarks radiate partons to lower momentum fractions x .

The first EIC, HERA, was a treasure trove of insight.

HERA - Electron Proton Collider



H1

460-920 GeV protons

HERA

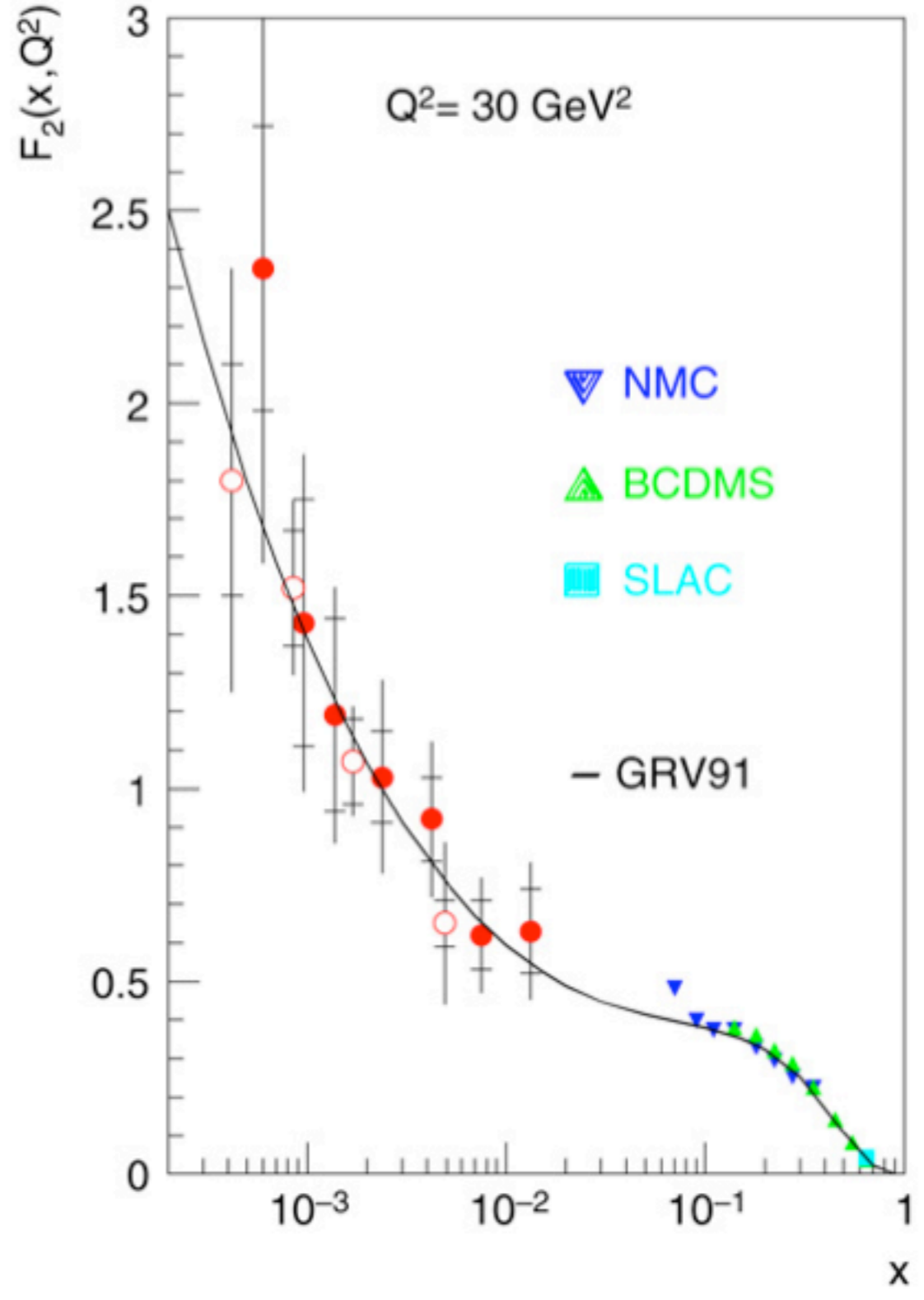
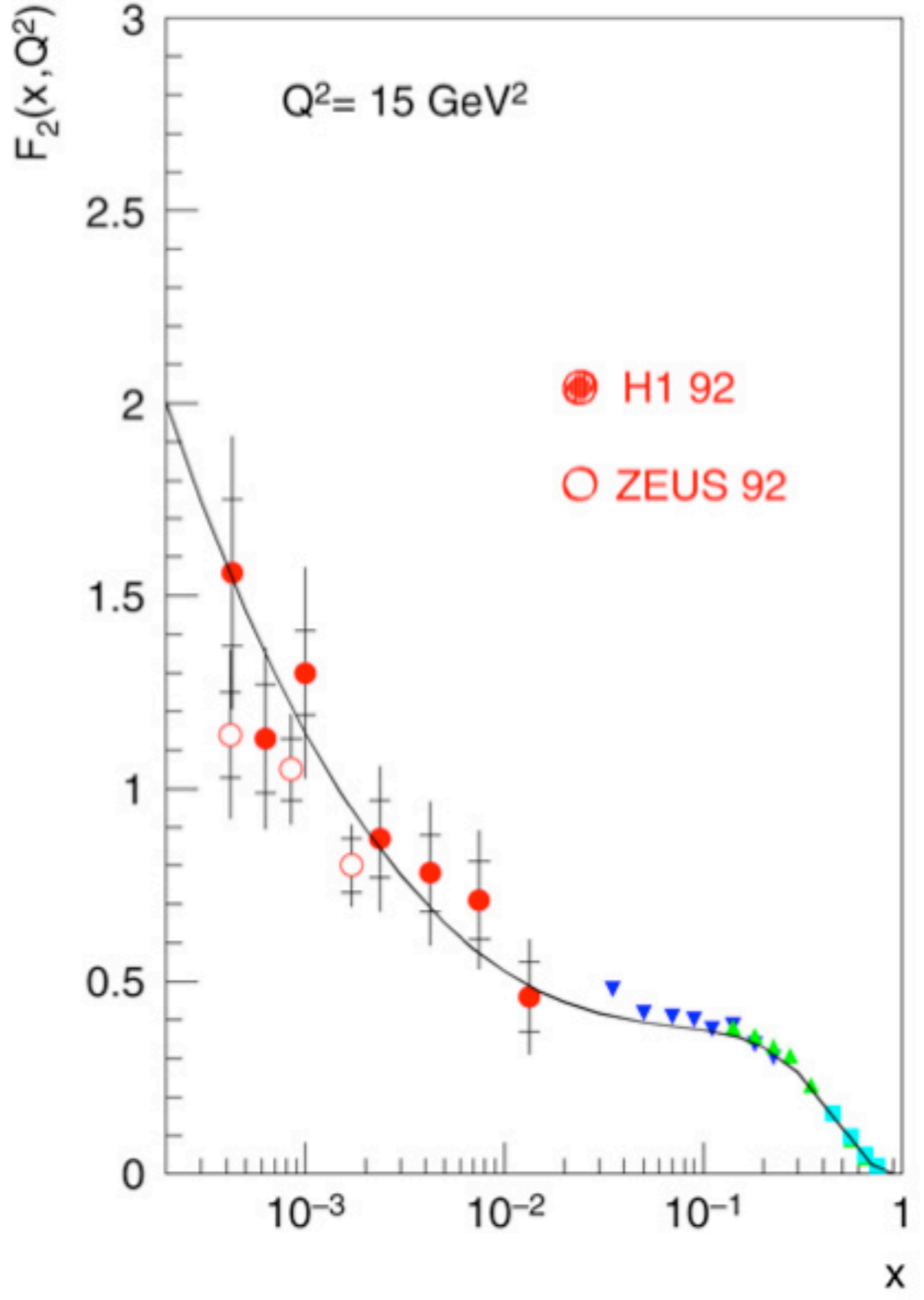
ZEUS

27.5 GeV electrons

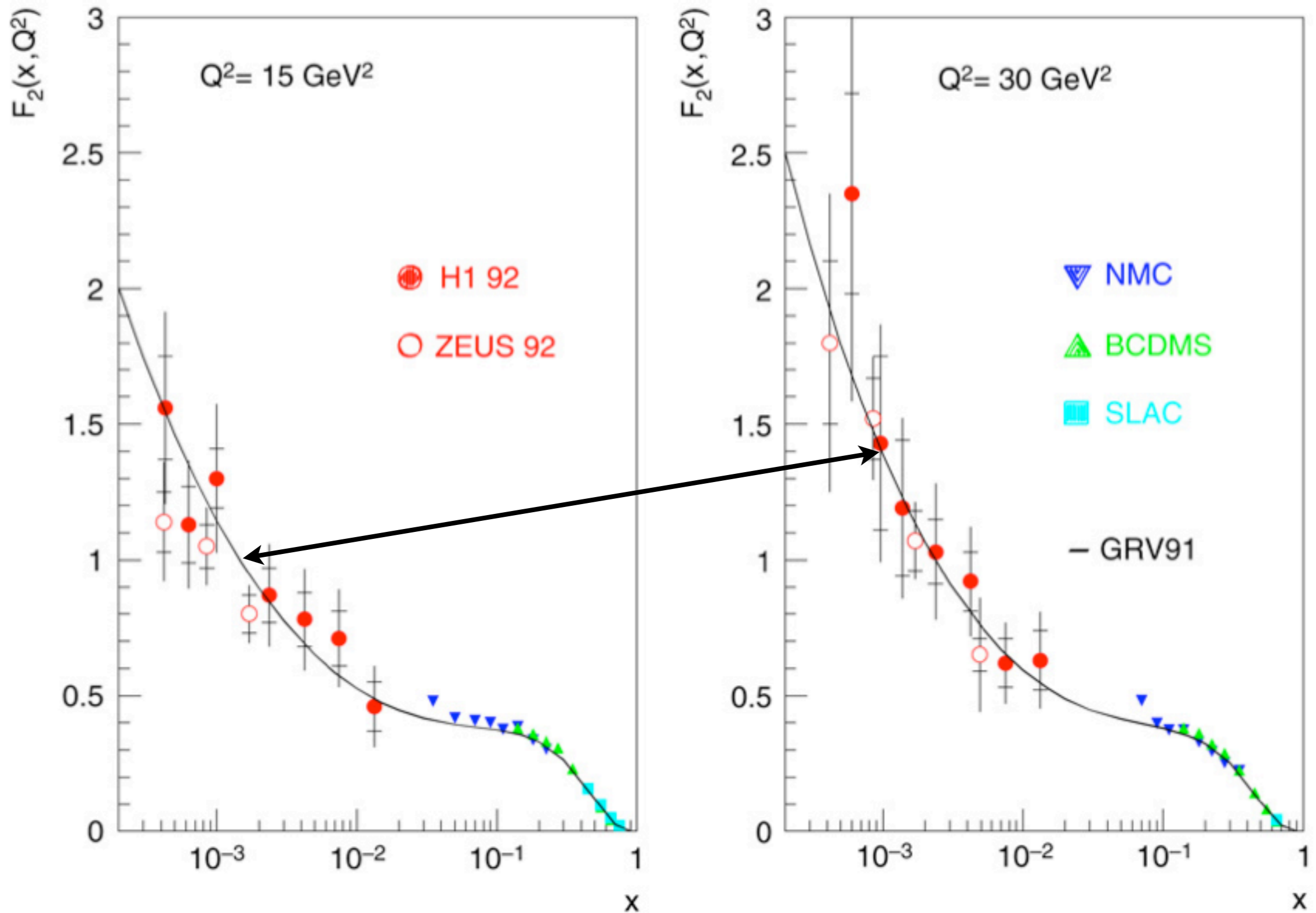
PETRA

HERA-I 1992-2000
HERA-II 2003-2007

HERA - Early Measurements



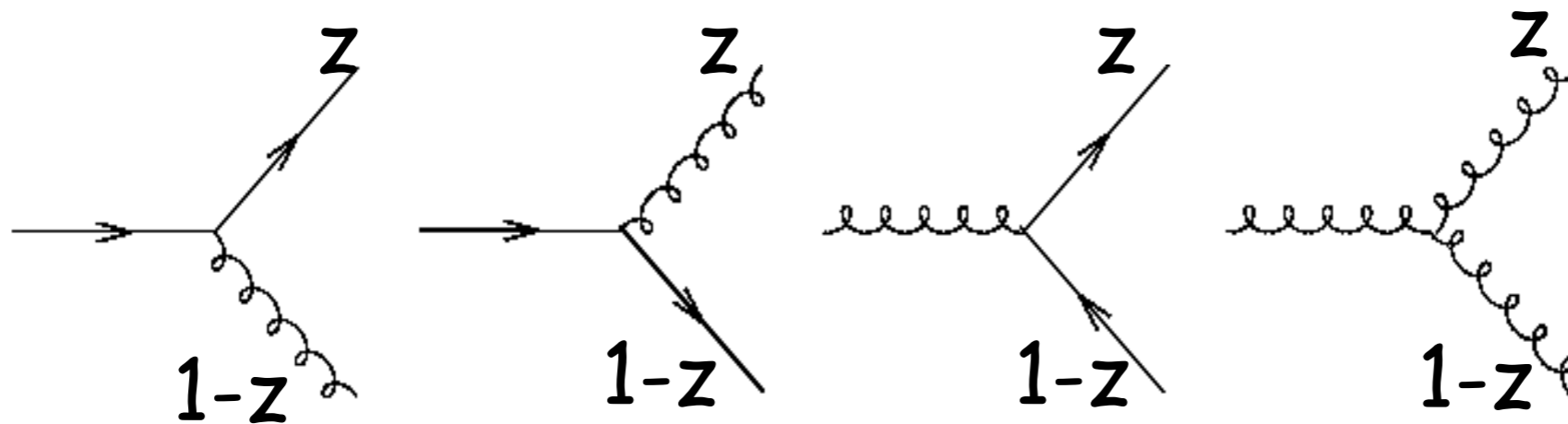
HERA - Early Measurements



(How) can these observations be related?

QCD Radiation

DGLAP equations are easy to “understand” intuitively, in terms of four “splitting functions”,



$P_{ab}(z)$: the probability that parton **a** will radiate a parton **b** with the fraction z of the original momentum carried by **a**.

Yu.L. Dokshitzer, Sov.Phys. JETP **46** (1977) 641,

V.N. Gribov and L.N.Lipatov, Sov. Journ. Nucl. Phys. **15** (1972) 438; *ibid* **15** (1972) 675

G.Altarelli and G.Parisi, Nucl.Phys. **B126** (1977) 298

QCD Radiation

Schematically, DGLAP equations:

$$\frac{dq_f(x, Q^2)}{d \ln Q^2} = \alpha_s [q_f \otimes P_{qq} + g \otimes P_{gq}]$$

convolution

strong coupling constant

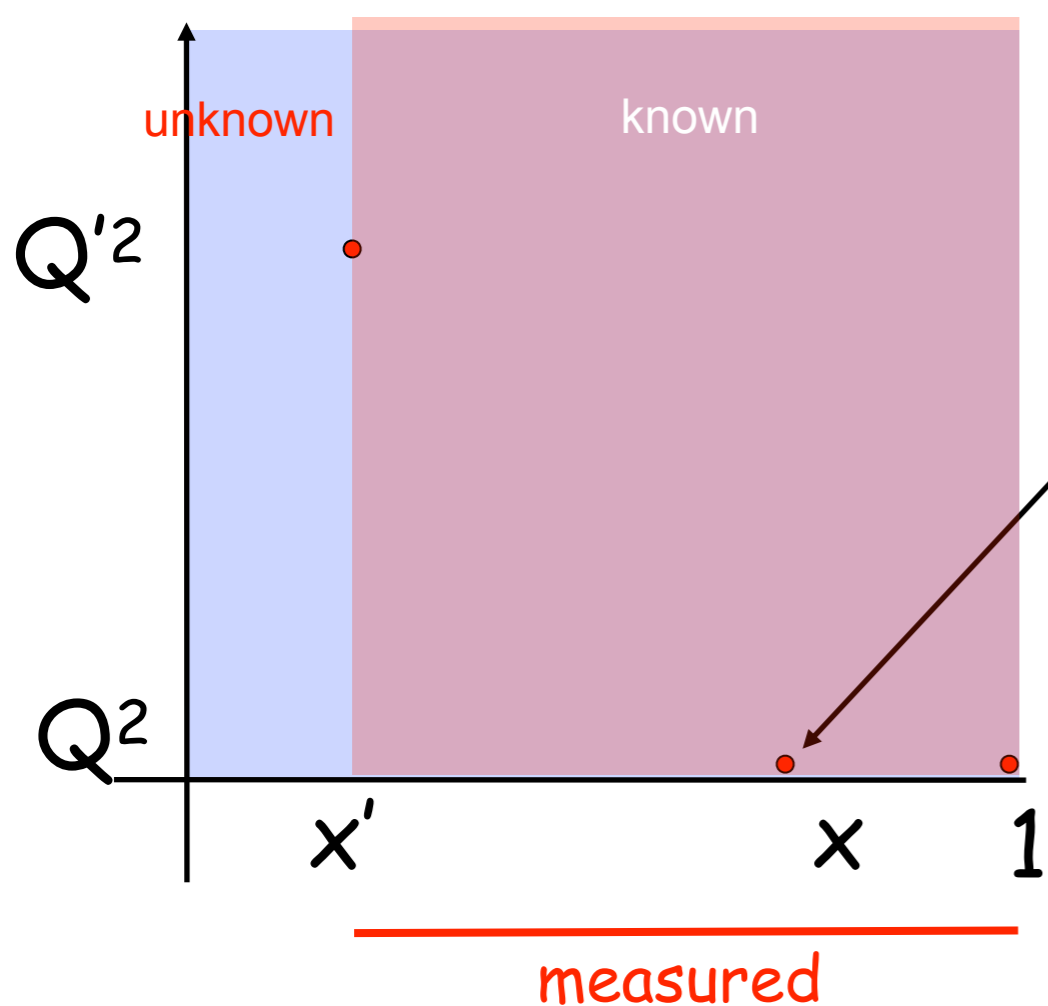
That is, the change of quark distribution q with Q^2 is given by the probability that q and g radiate q .

Similarly, for gluons:

$$\frac{dg(x, Q^2)}{d \ln Q^2} = \alpha_s [\sum q_f \otimes P_{qg} + g \otimes P_{gg}]$$

QCD Radiation

A parton at x at Q^2 is a source of partons at $x' < x$ at $Q'^2 > Q^2$.



Any parton at $x > x'$ at Q^2 is a source.

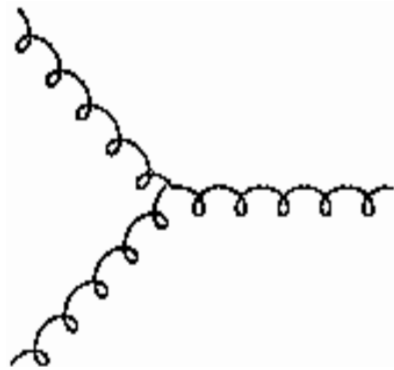
It is necessary and sufficient to know the parton densities in the range $x' \leq x \leq 1$ at a lower Q^2 to determine the parton density at x', Q'^2 .

If you measure partons in range $x' \leq x \leq 1$ at some Q^2 then you know them in that range, and only that range, for all Q'^2 .

Asymptotic solutions exist to the DGLAP equations that may overwhelm the intrinsic contributions.

QCD Radiation

DGLAP is *highly* successful, but not the only approach.



Gluons do not recombine,
incoherence is preserved.

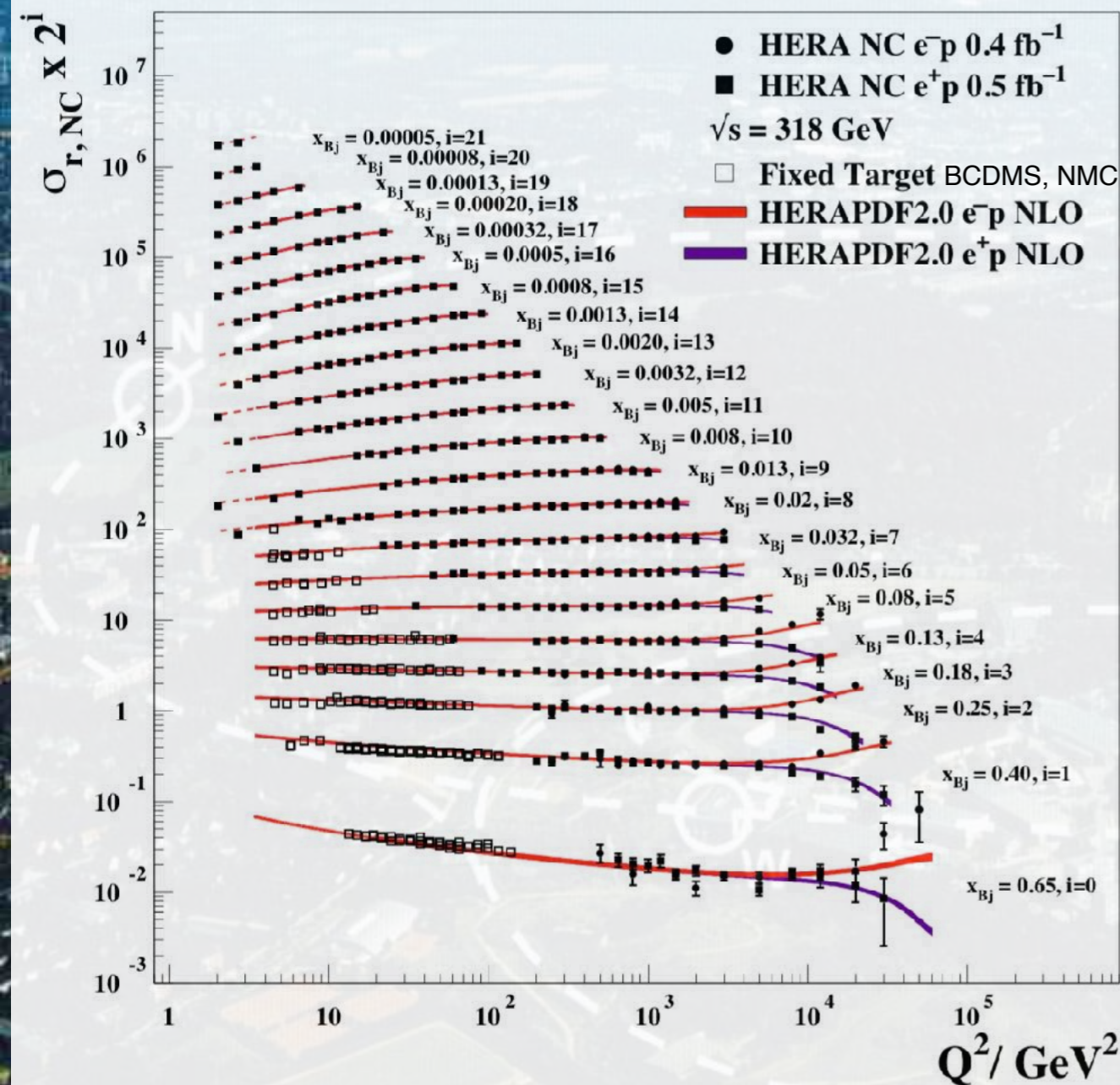
Gluon-dense environments?

Similarly, process-independent quarks, survive.

HERA's Legacy

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H1 and ZEUS



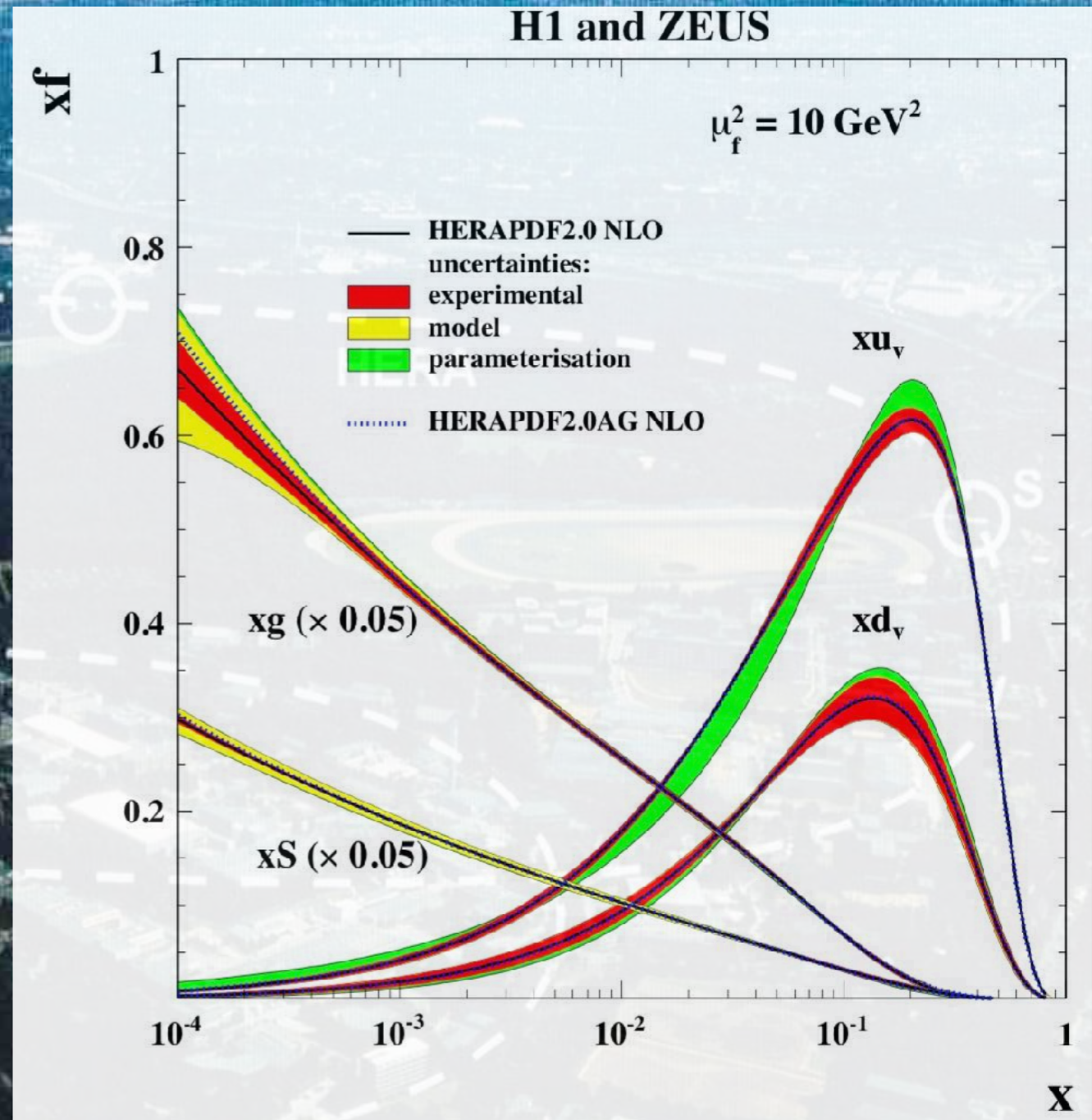
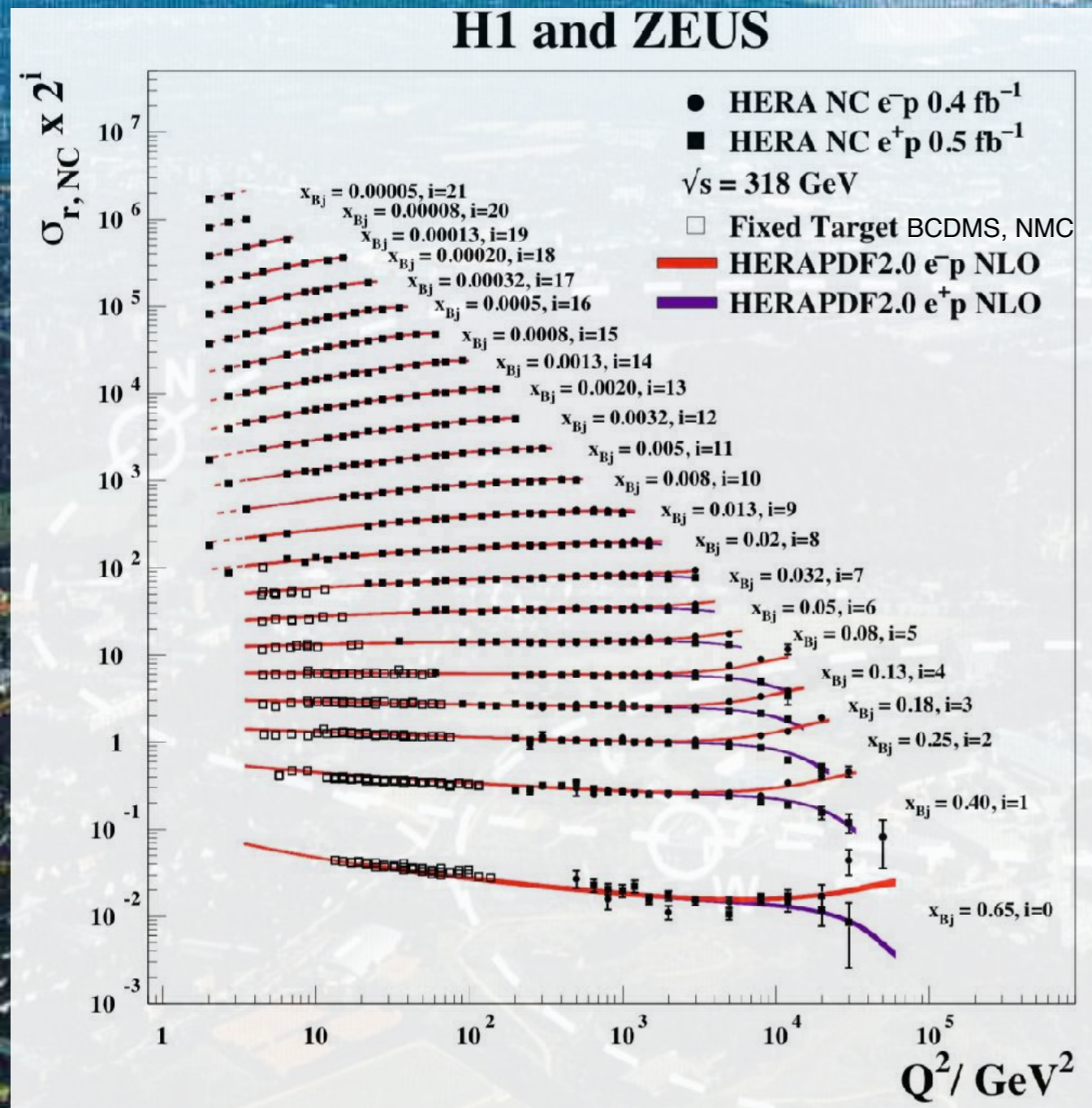
A lot in this plot:

- covers about five orders of magnitude in x and Q^2 ,
- consistency of fixed-target data and HERA data,
- scaling at $x \sim 0.1$ and violations elsewhere,
- strong rise of gluon density,
- E.W. contributions at high Q^2 ,
- crucial input to “PDF fits”

PETRA

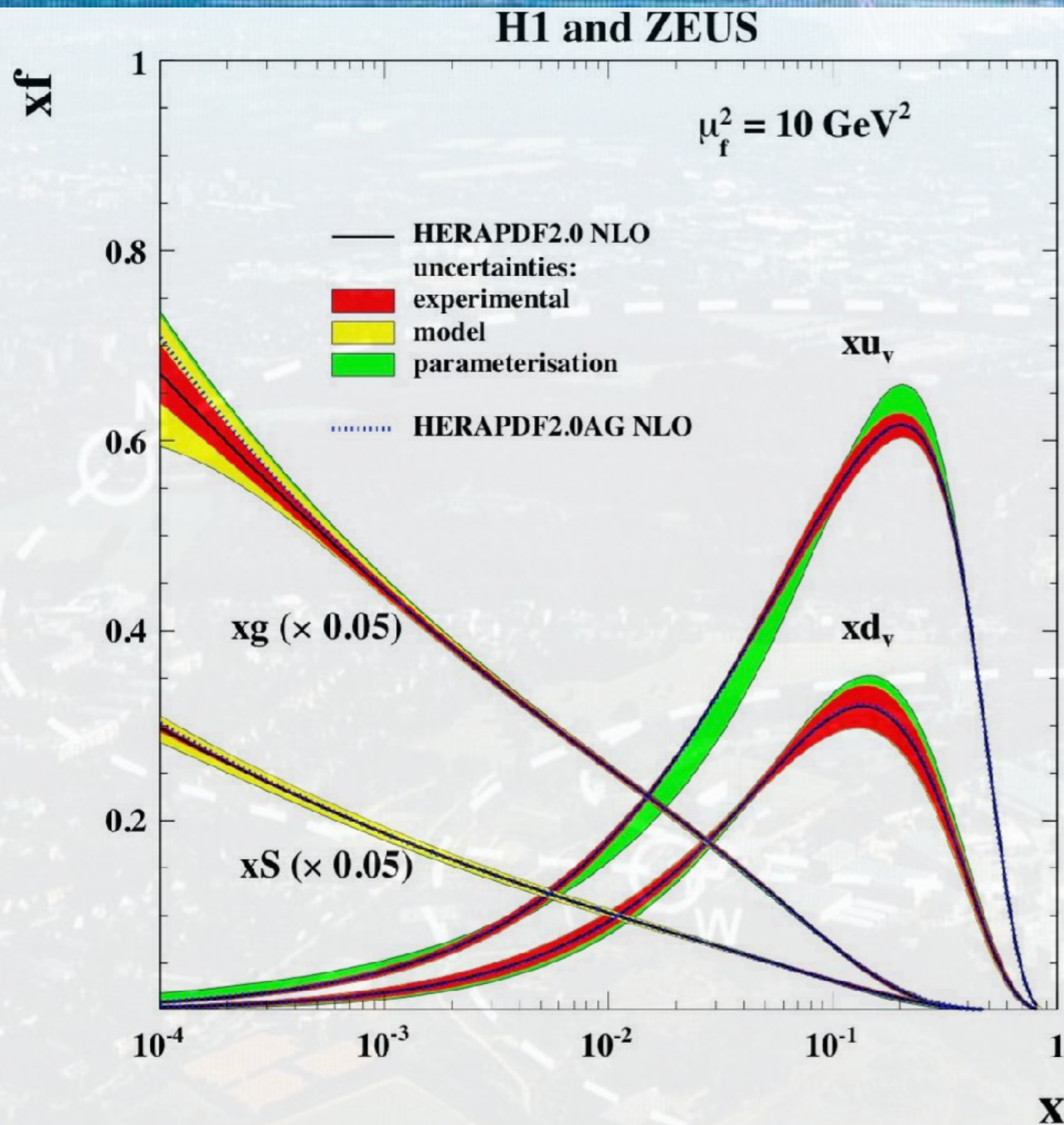
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Vast body of *precision* measurements over a wide kinematic range,
 Exquisite insight in high-energy proton structure and QCD dynamics.

HERA's Legacy



Proton structure at high-energy is:

- *far* from elementary,
- gluon-dominated for $x < 0.1$,

HERAPDF2.0:

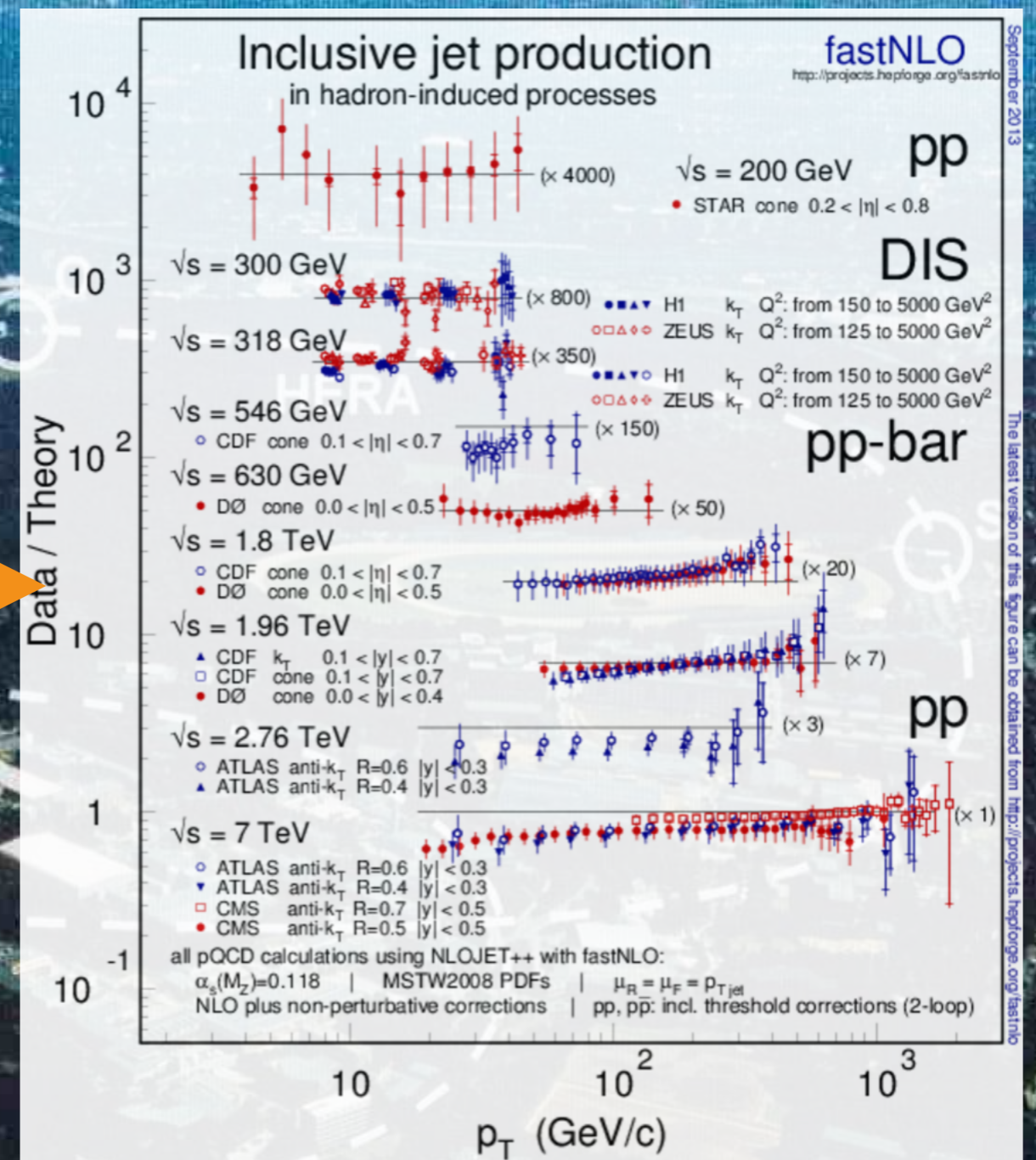
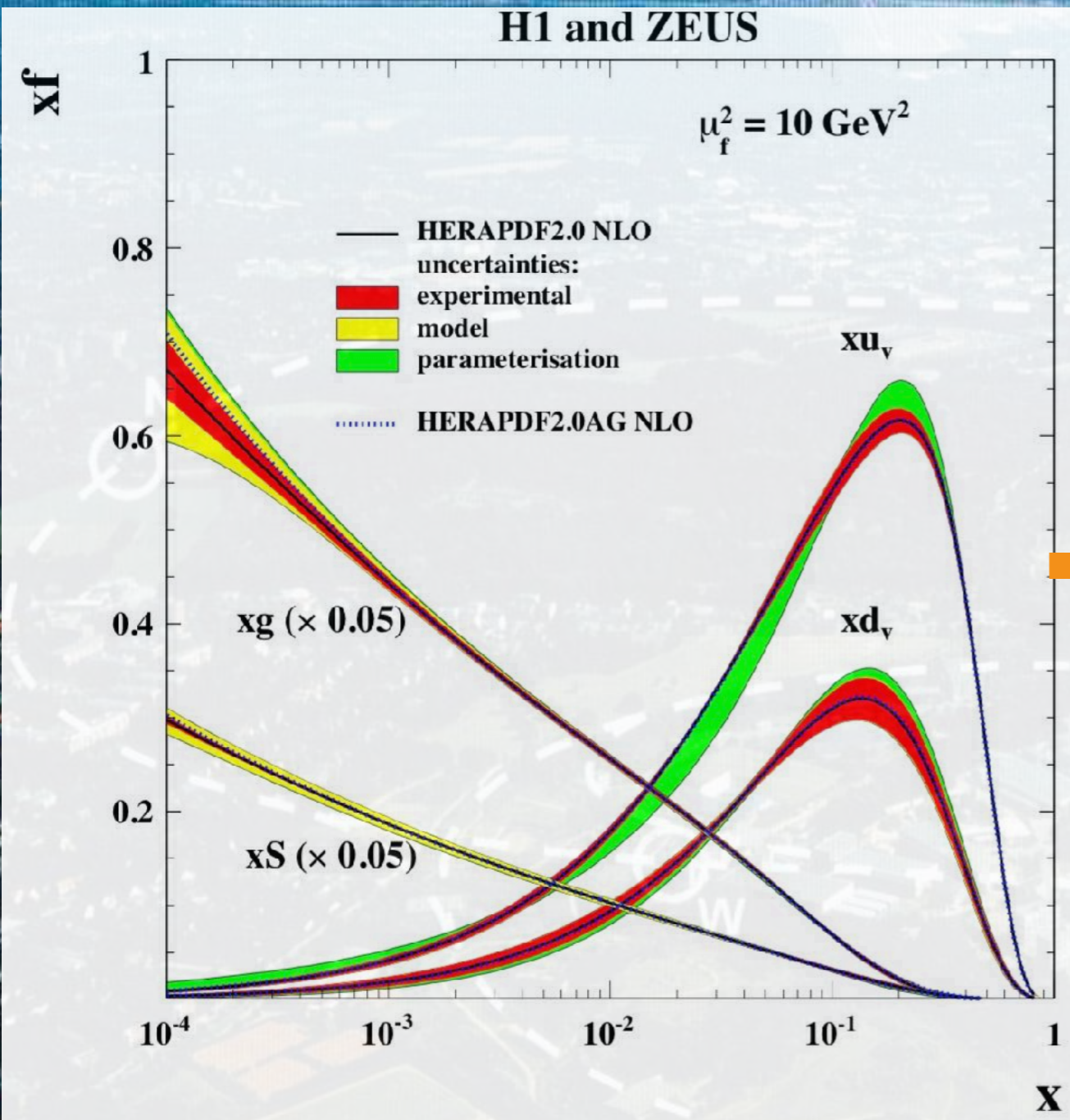
- 14 parameters,
- ~ 1400 combined data points,

Gluon content increases with decreasing x ,

Gluons pose a number of questions

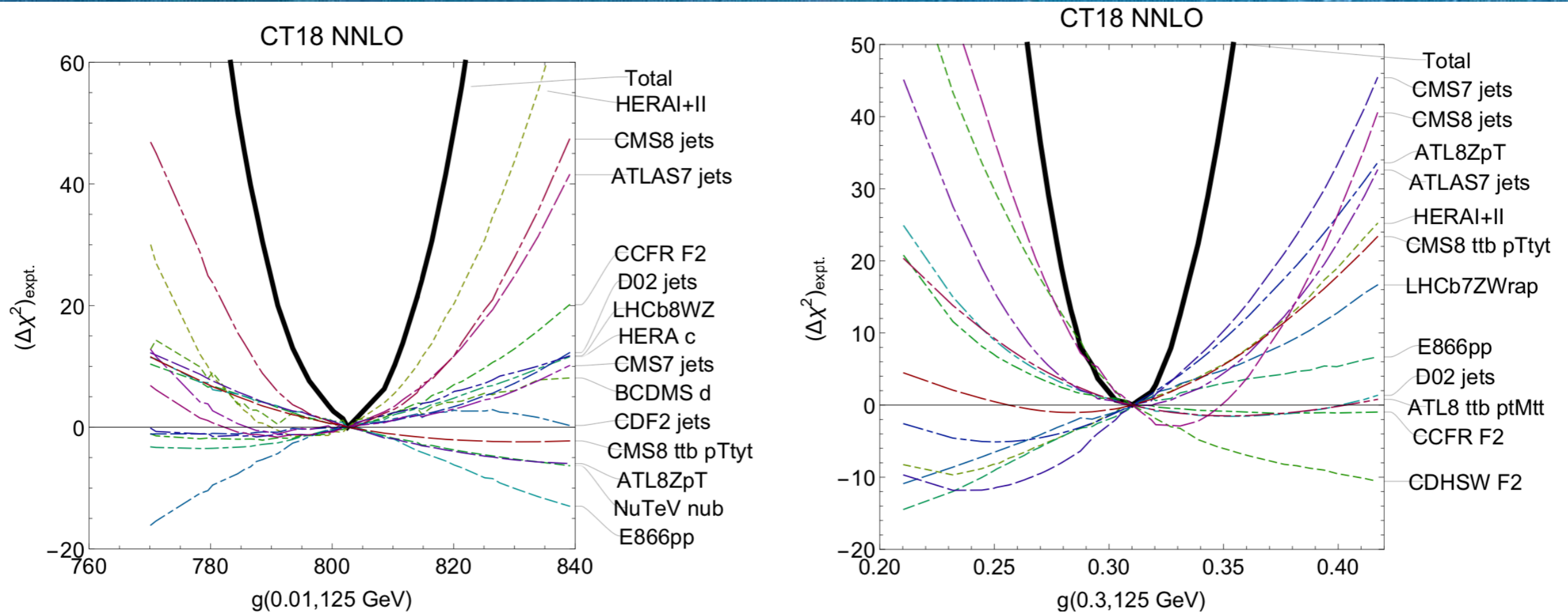
Vast body of *precision* measurements over a wide kinematic range,
Exquisite insight in high-energy proton structure and QCD dynamics.

HERA's Legacy



Factorization, the separation of short distance and long distance physics, combined with PDFs are 'universally invaluable' in hard scattering processes.

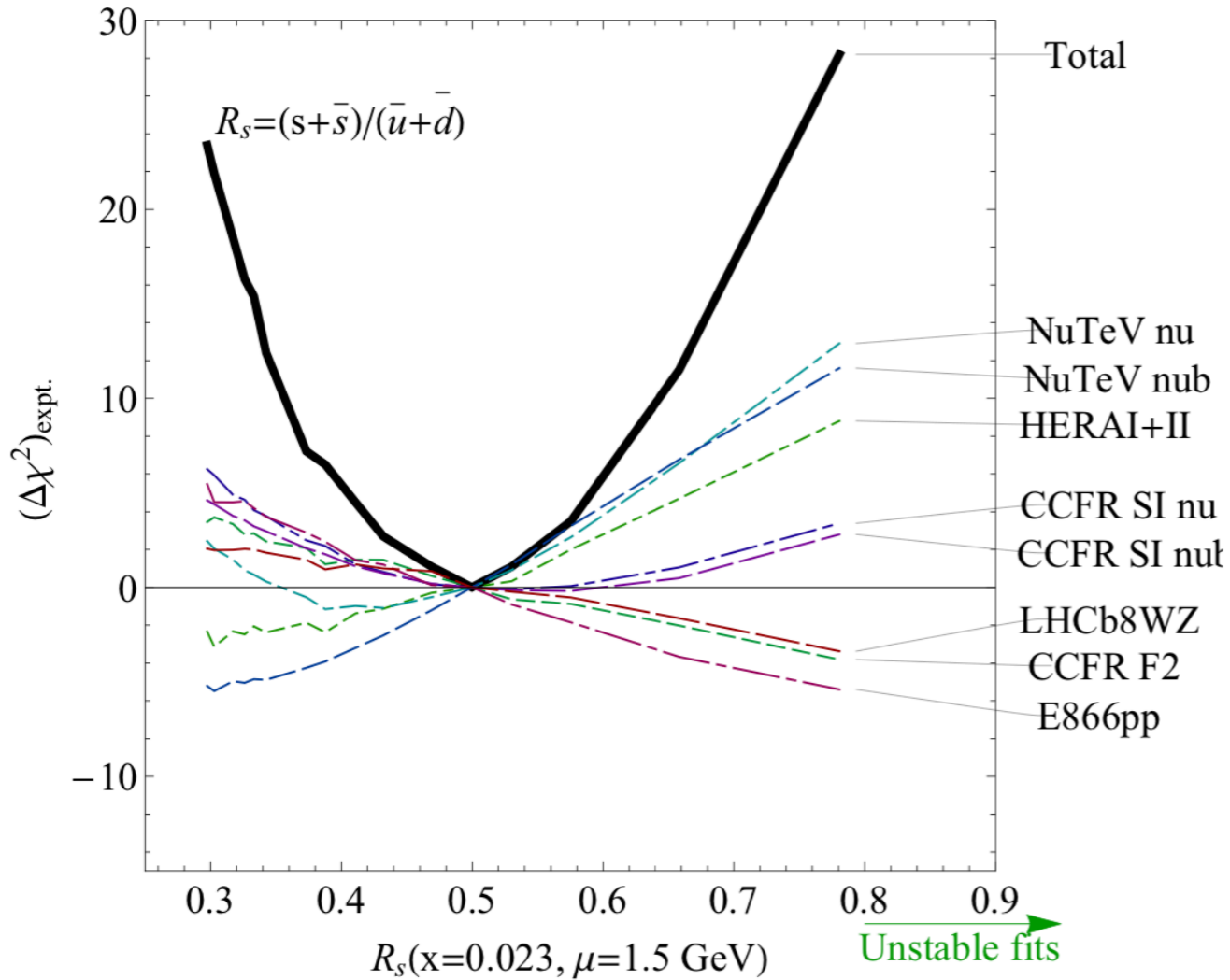
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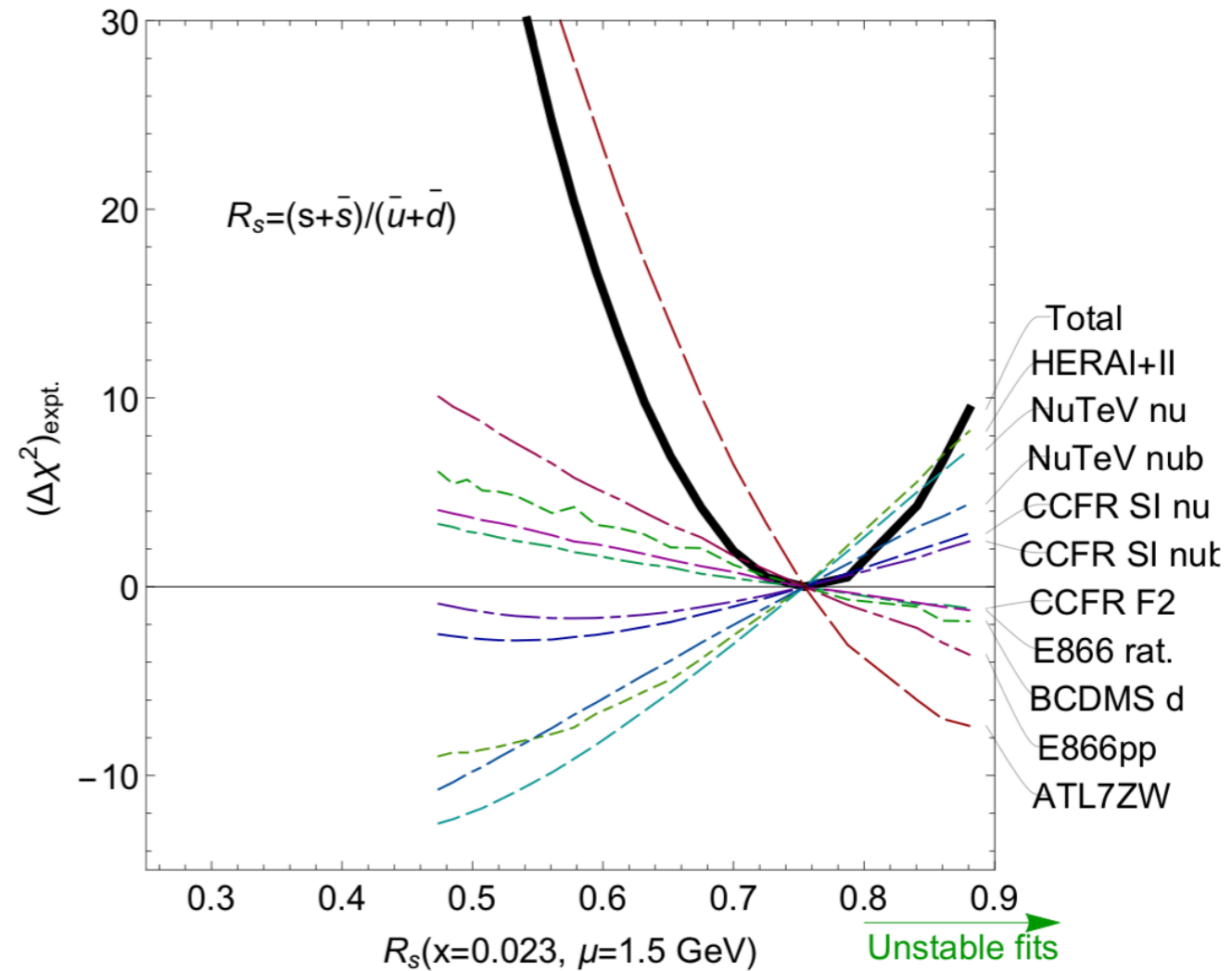
A great deal has been learned and continues to be learned from other experiments, e.g. from the LHC.... Shown here CTEQ fits, arXiv:1908.11238

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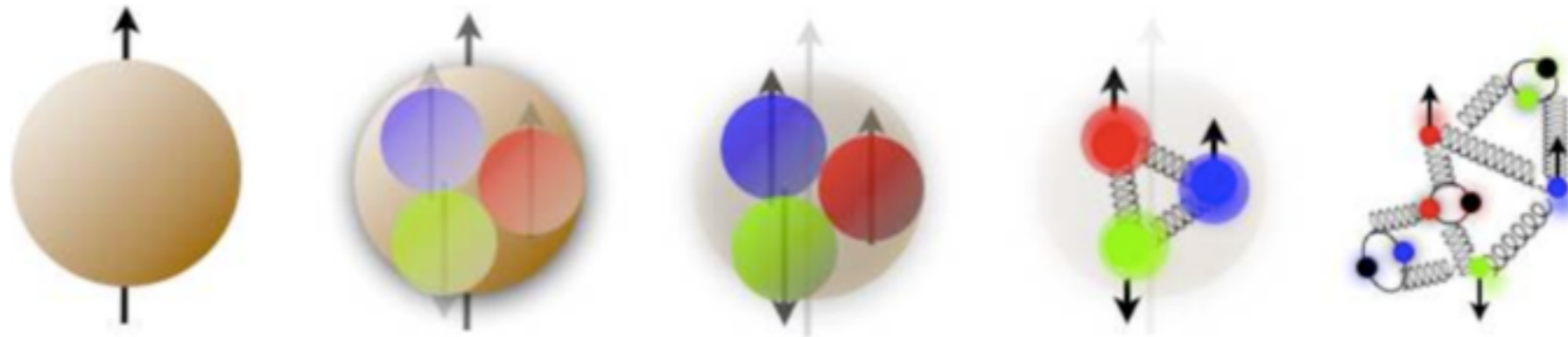


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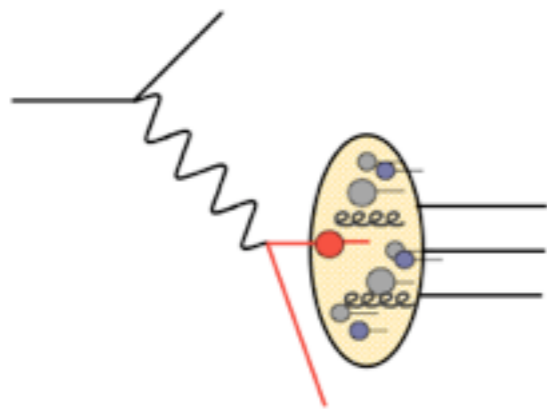


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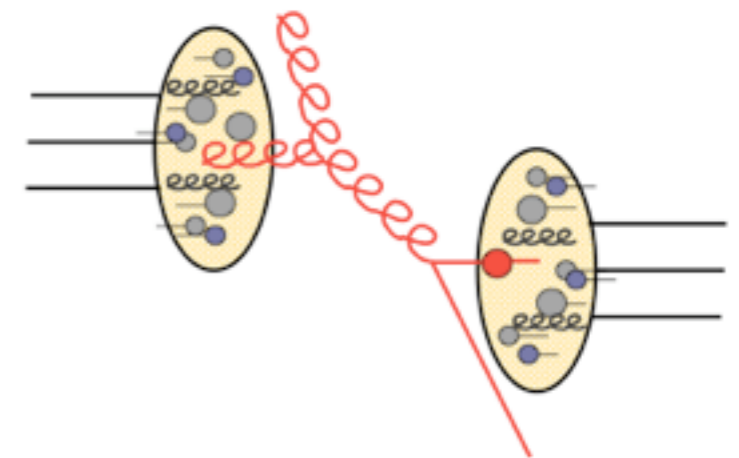
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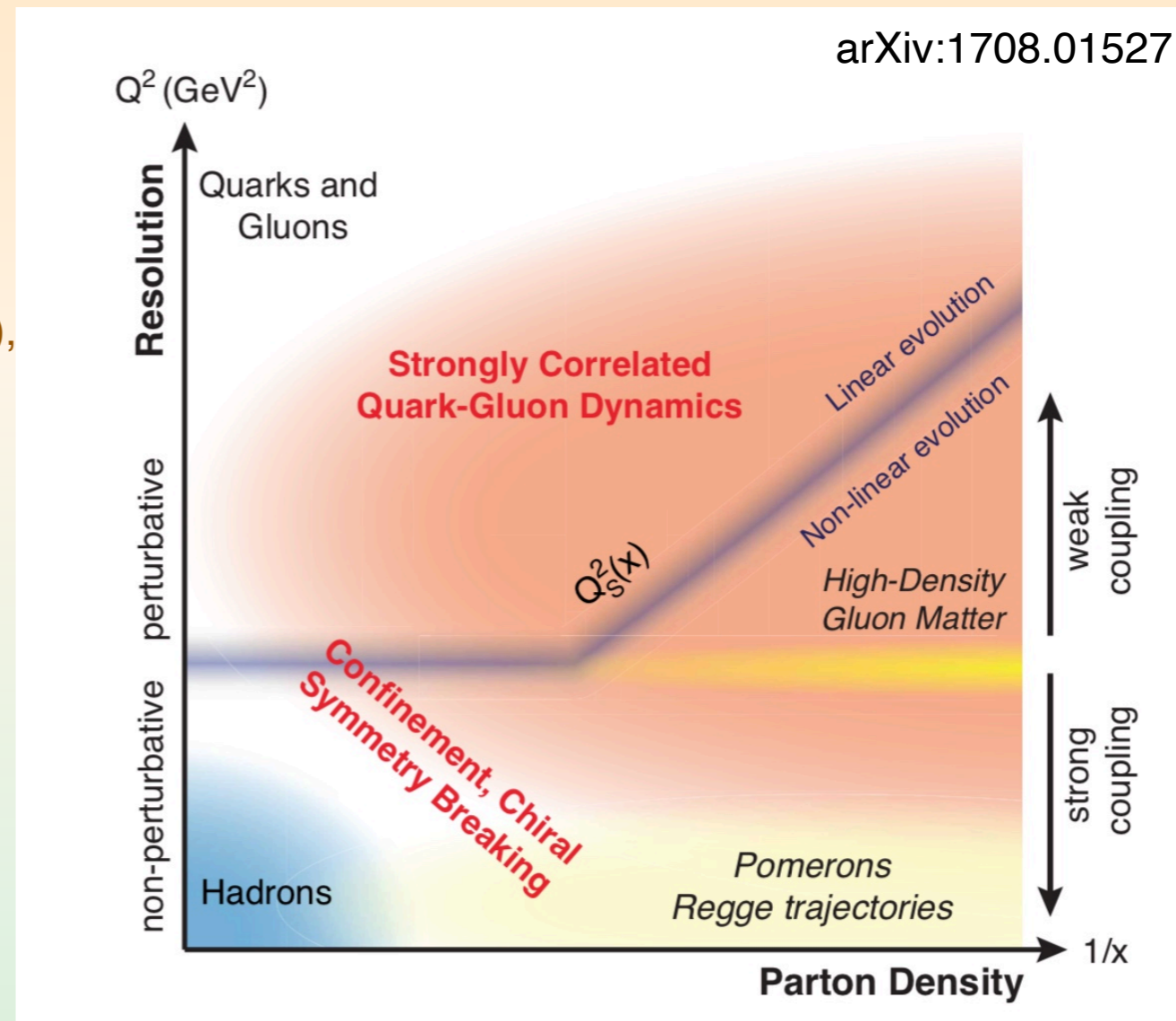
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***Not quite.... more than a few high-energy observations are actually different
QCD is the richest part of the Standard Model Gauge Field Theory and
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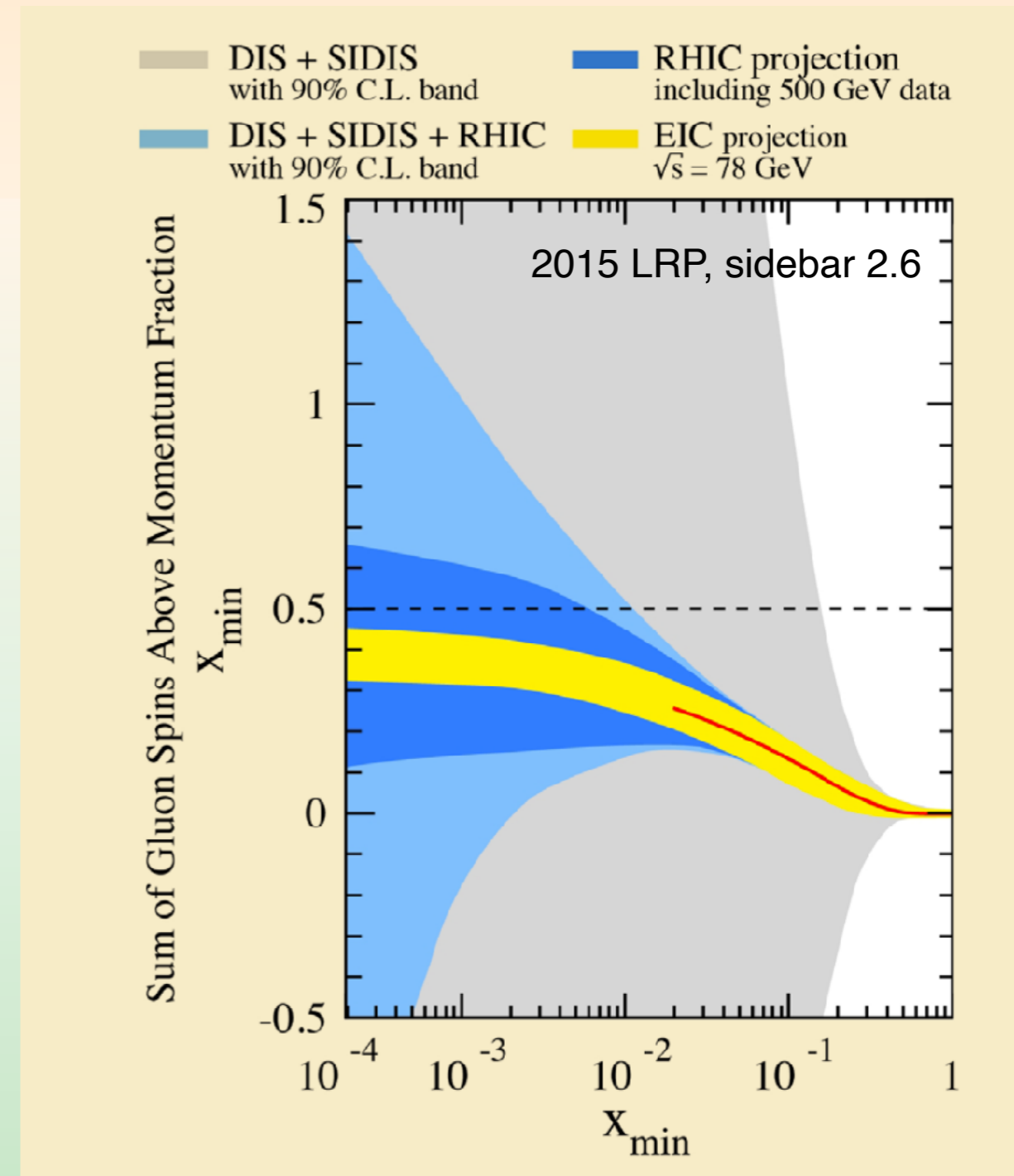
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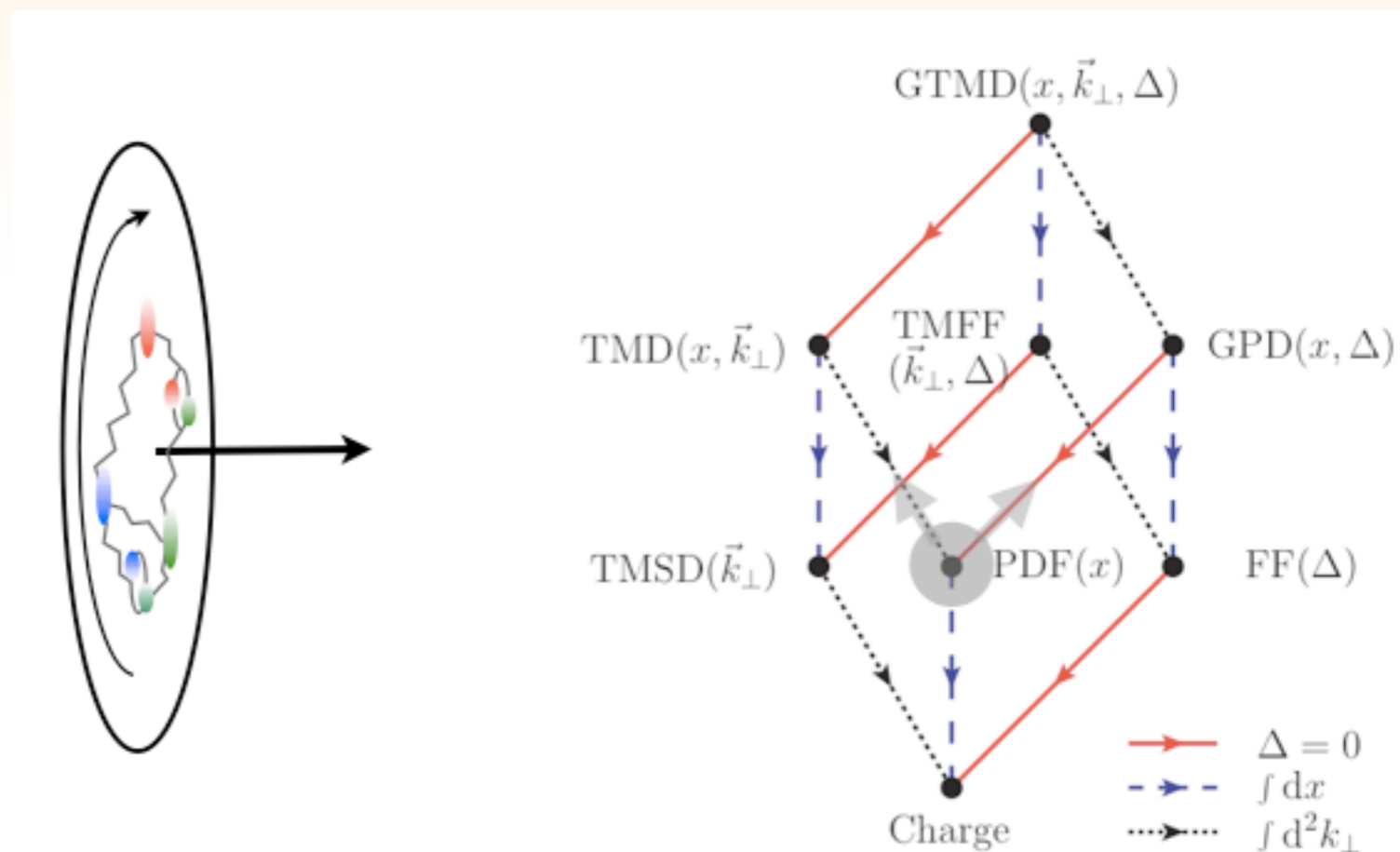
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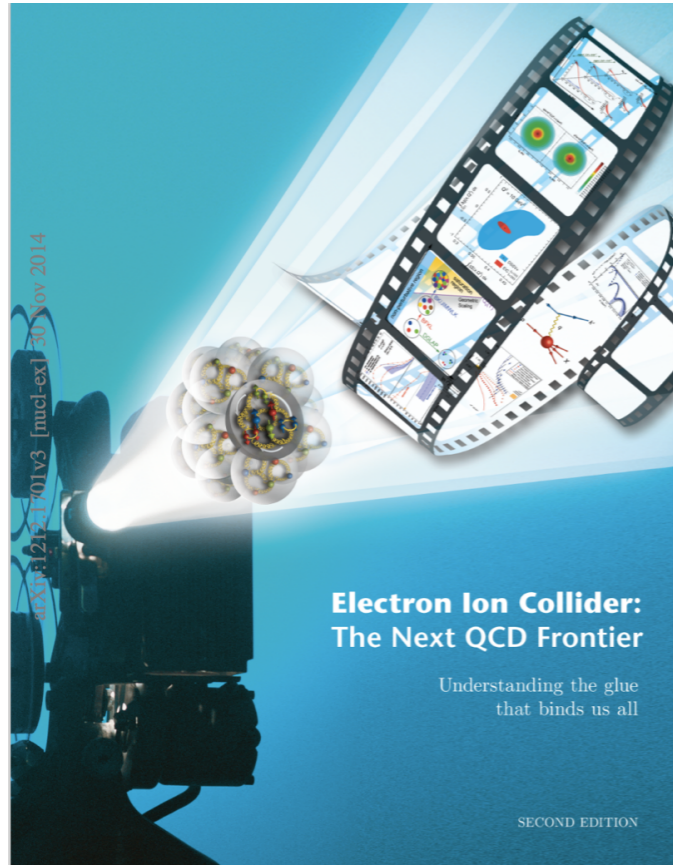
Imaging / tomography:

- valence quark region,



Early 2030s Future - Electron-Ion Collider

arXiv:1212.1701, EPJ A52 (2016) 268



Four central nuclear physics themes:

- nucleon spin,
- imaging in nucleon and nuclei,
- gluon-dense matter / saturation,
- hadronization and fragmentation

U.S.-based Electron-Ion Collider is strongly endorsed in the 2015 Long Range Plan for Nuclear Physics,

2018 NAS Science Assessment:

“EIC is compelling, fundamental, and timely”

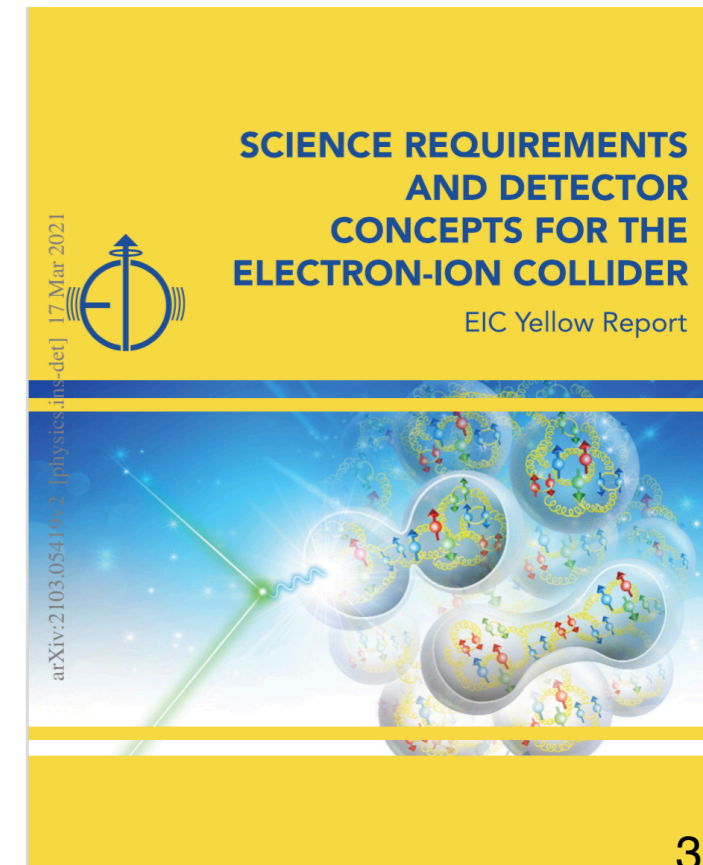
Science case: theory, experiment, *and* accelerator,

2020 site selection — BNL — and formal project start,

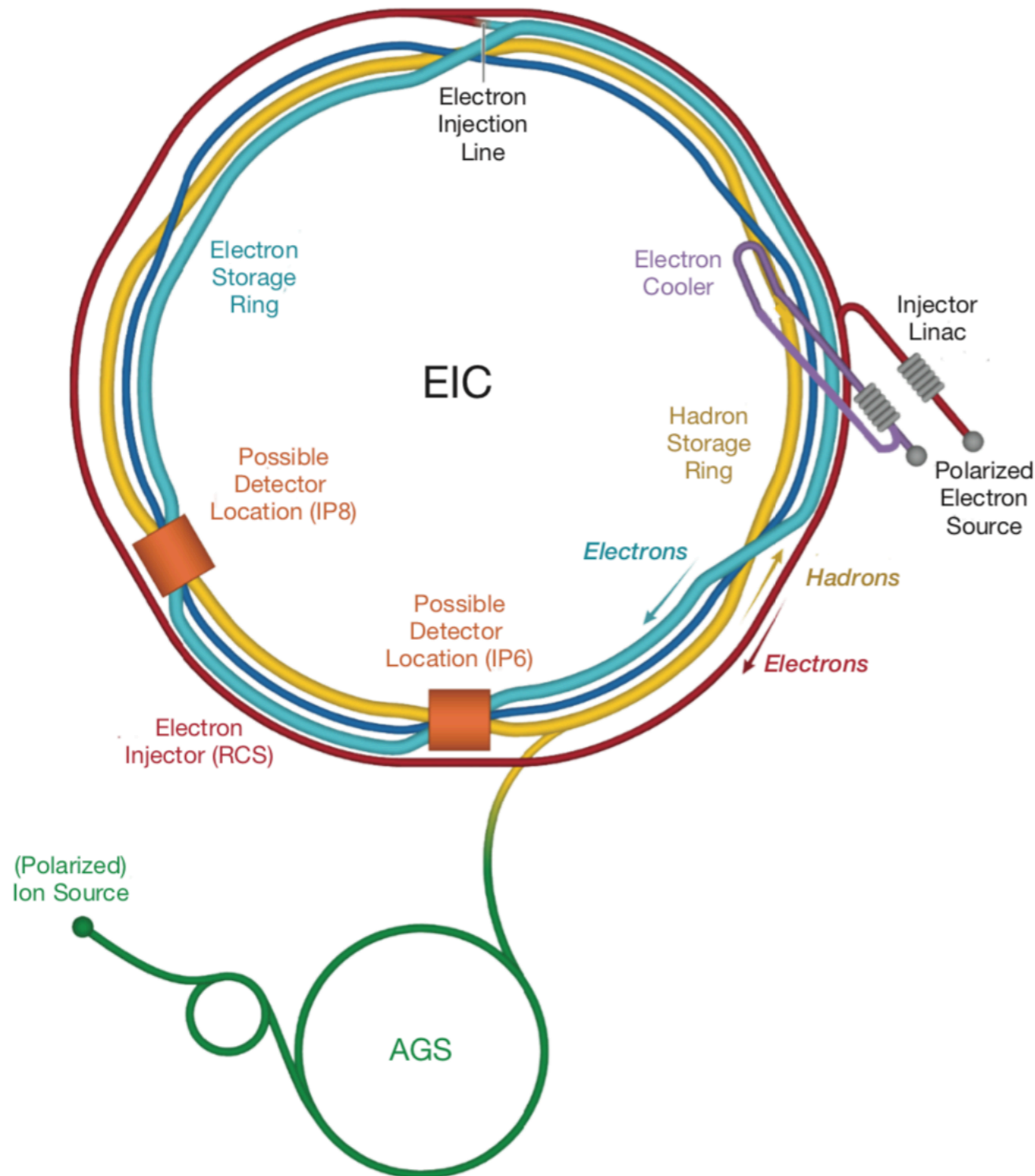
2021 EIC User Group has just completed a ~1 year physics and detector conceptual development study,

2022 Project detector selected following 2021 call for proposals,

arXiv:2103.05419



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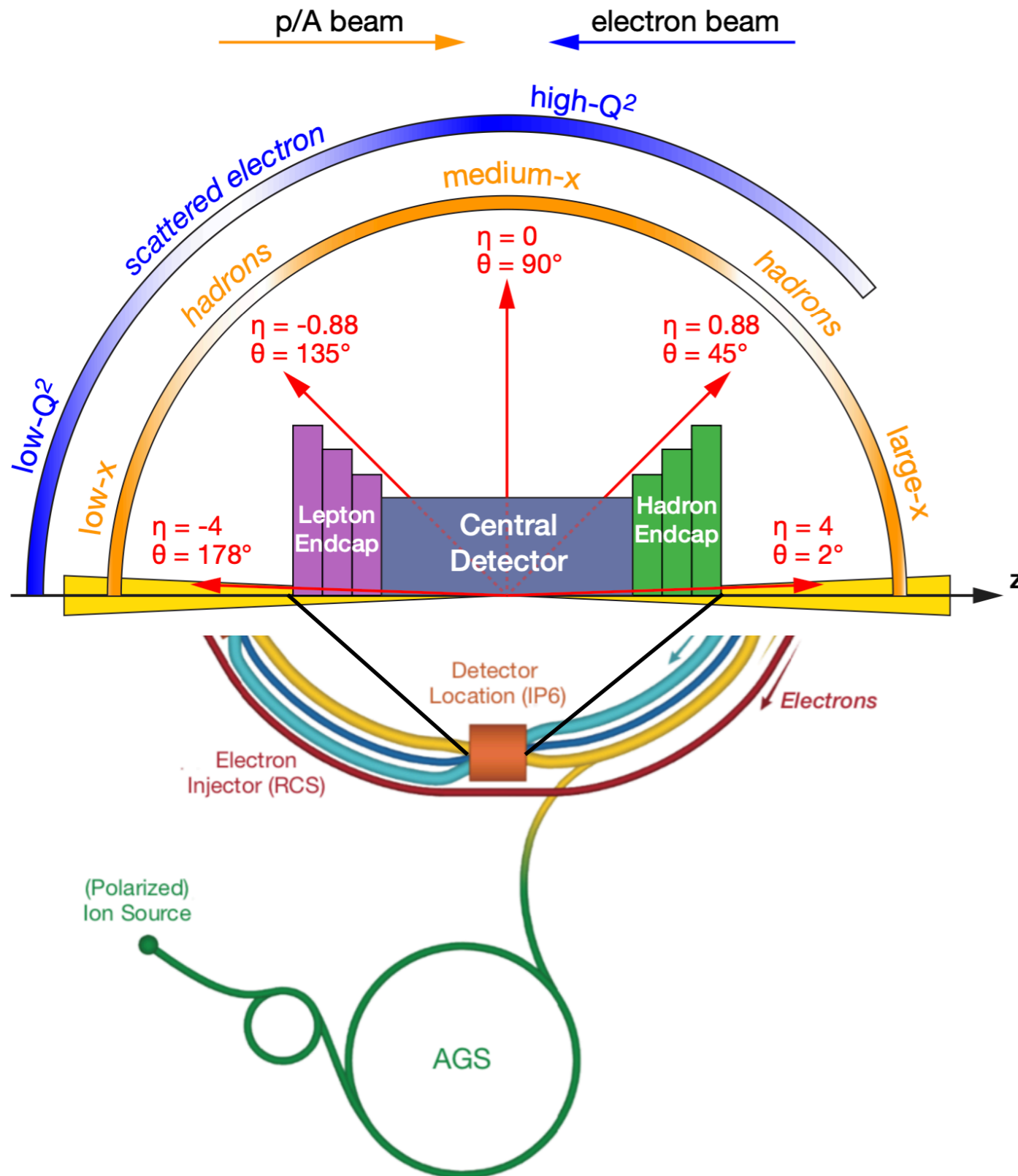
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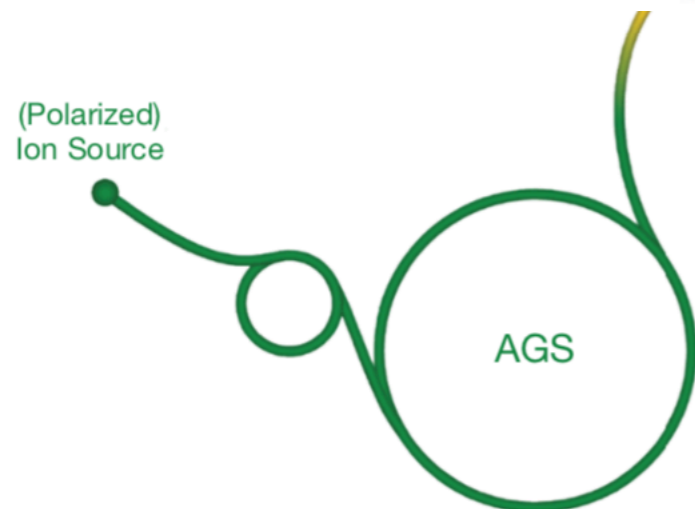
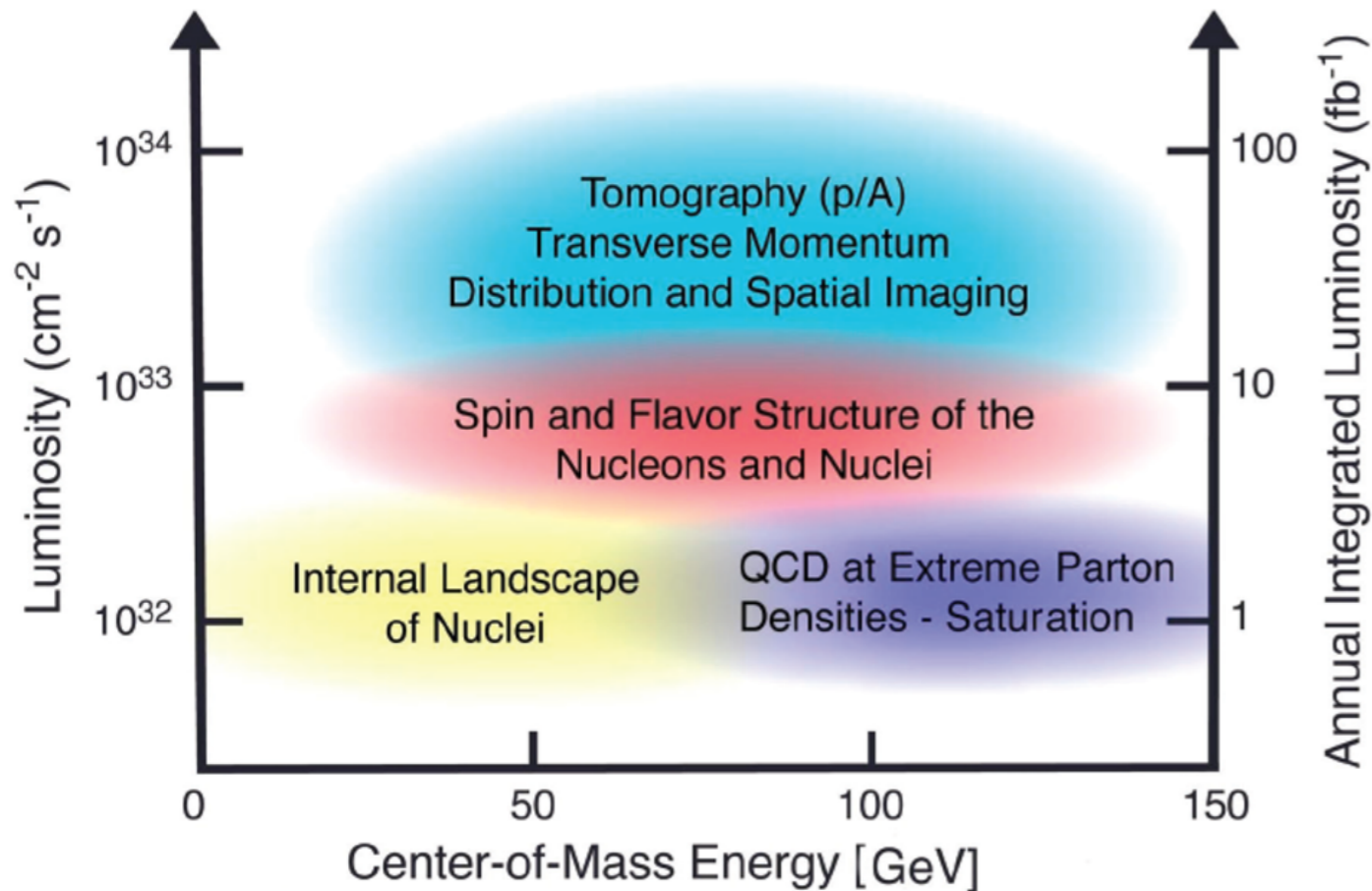
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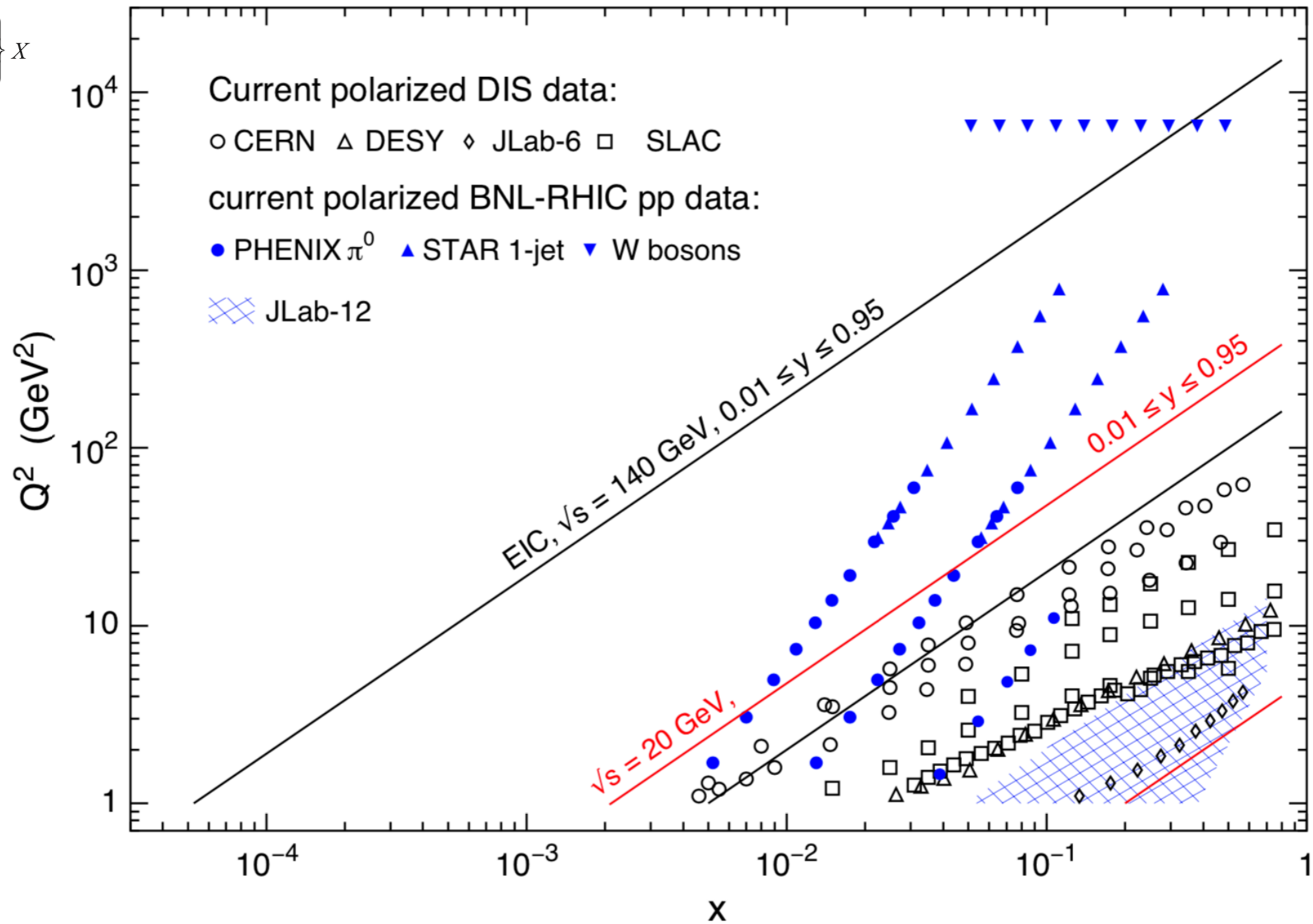
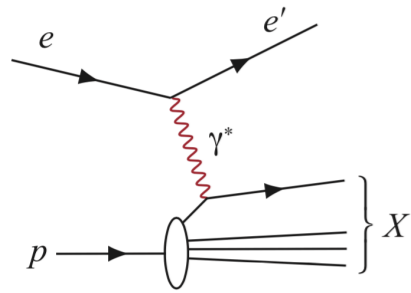
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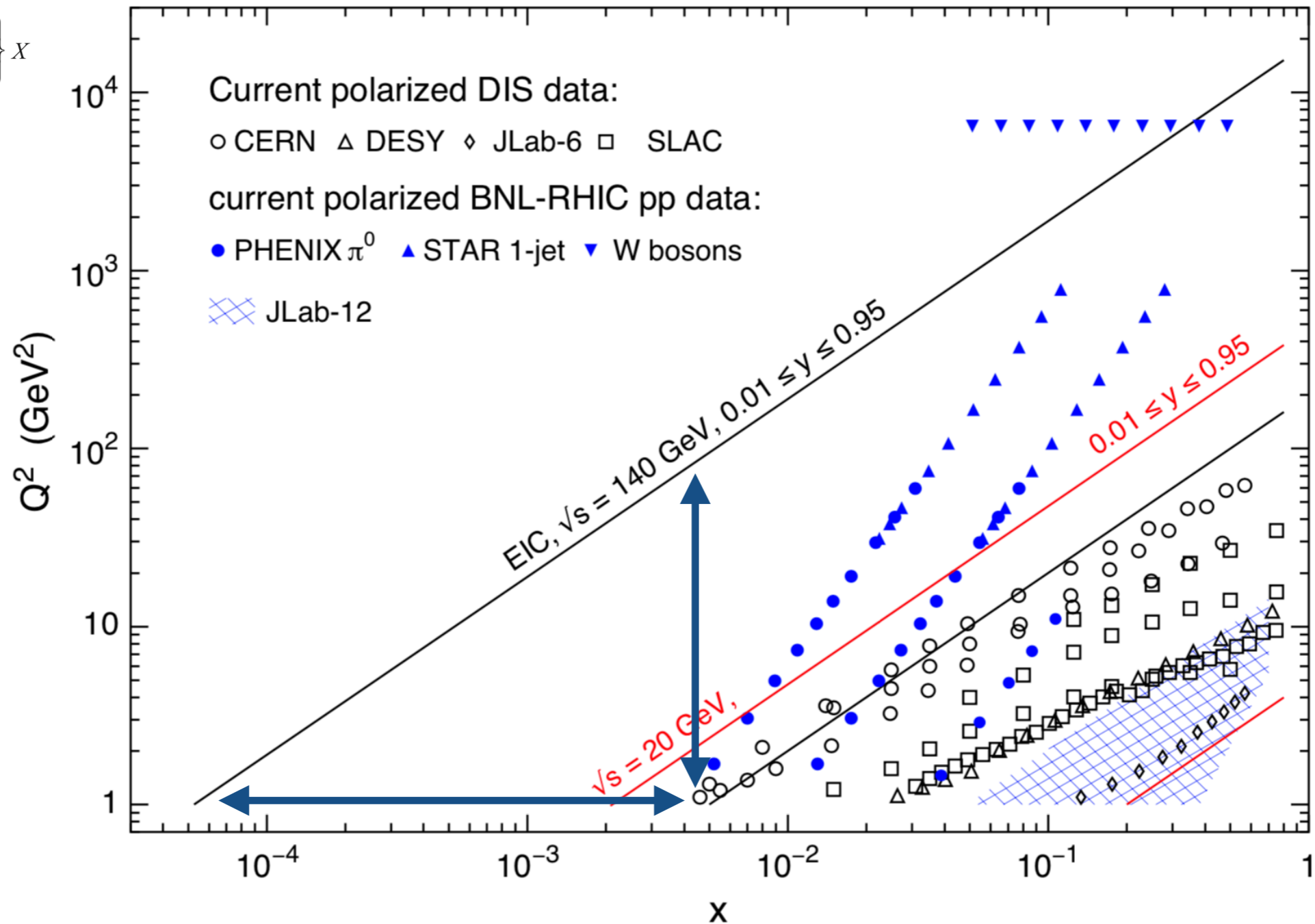
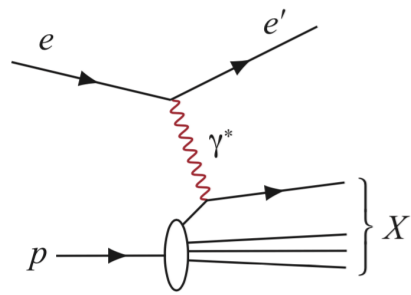
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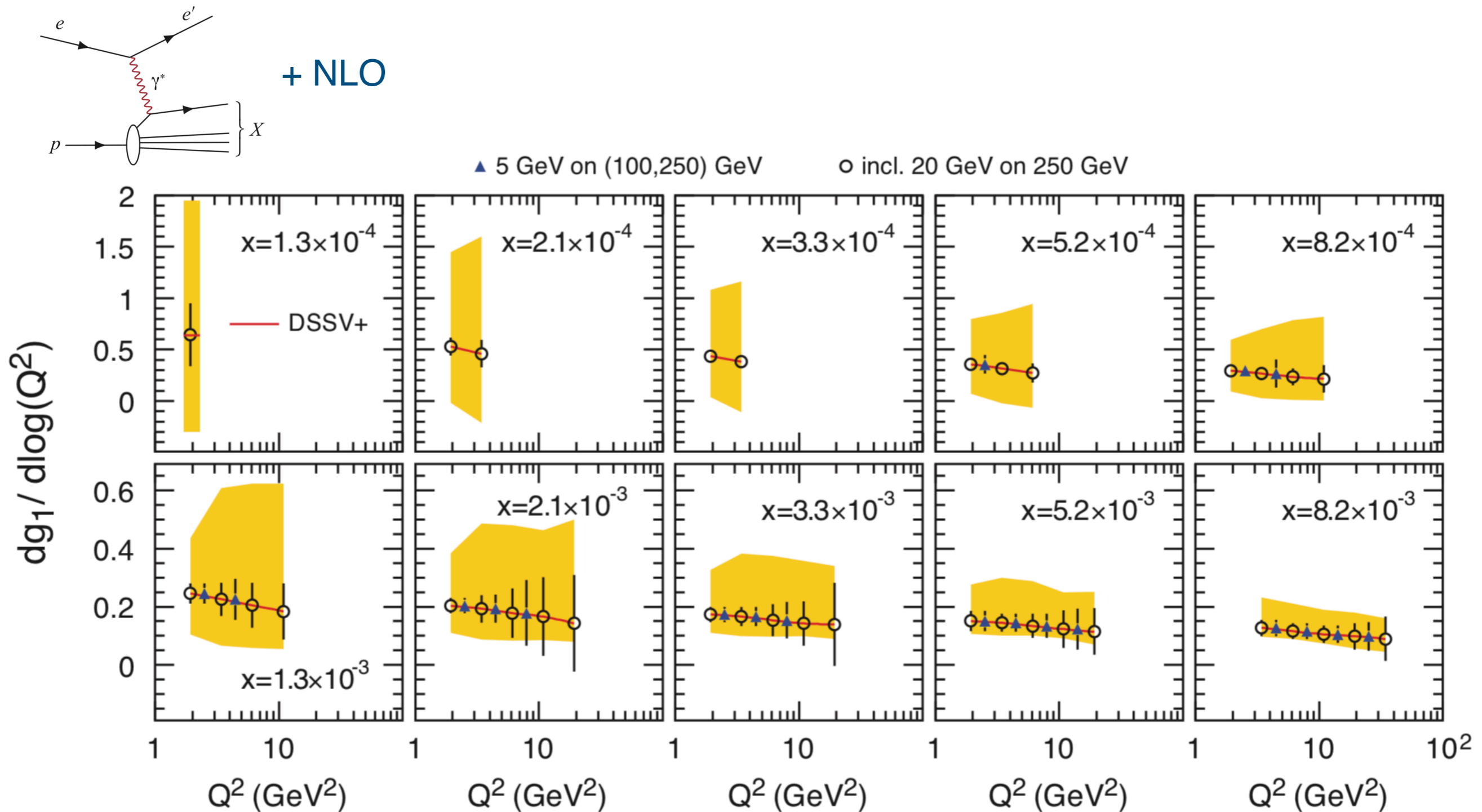


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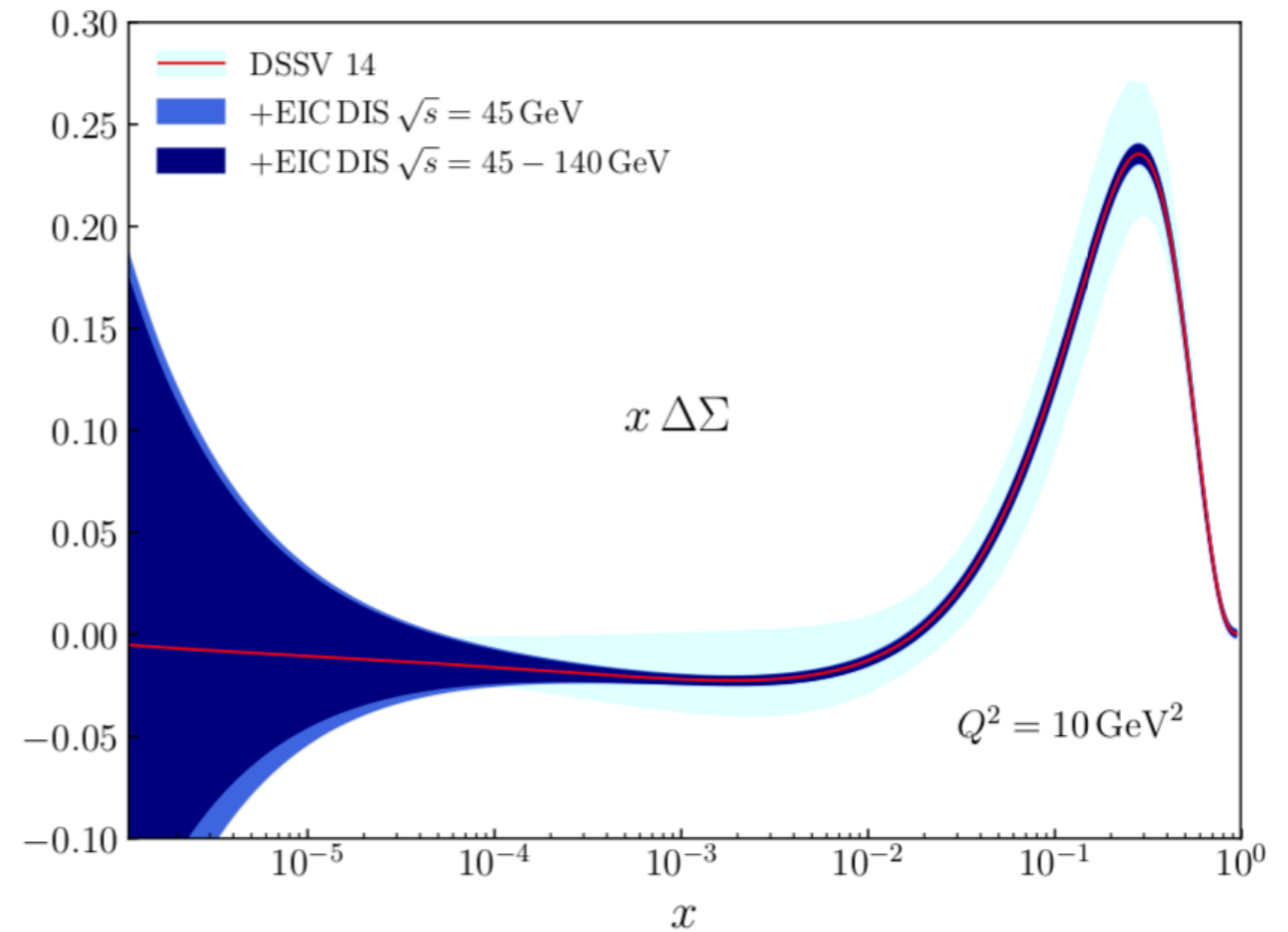
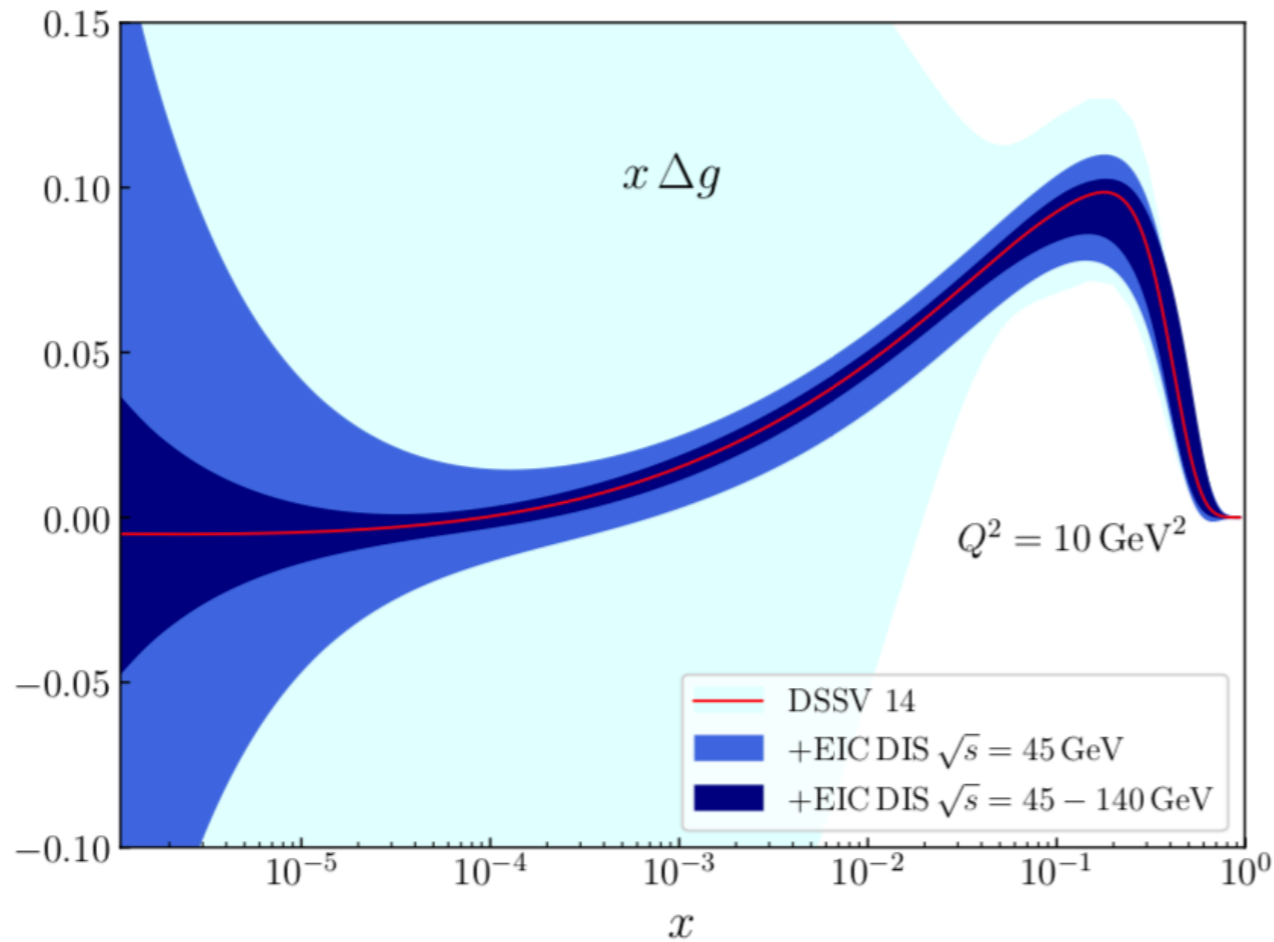
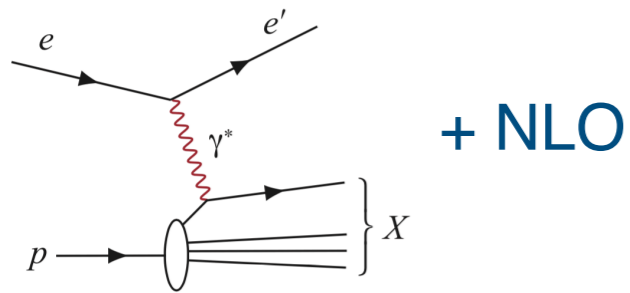


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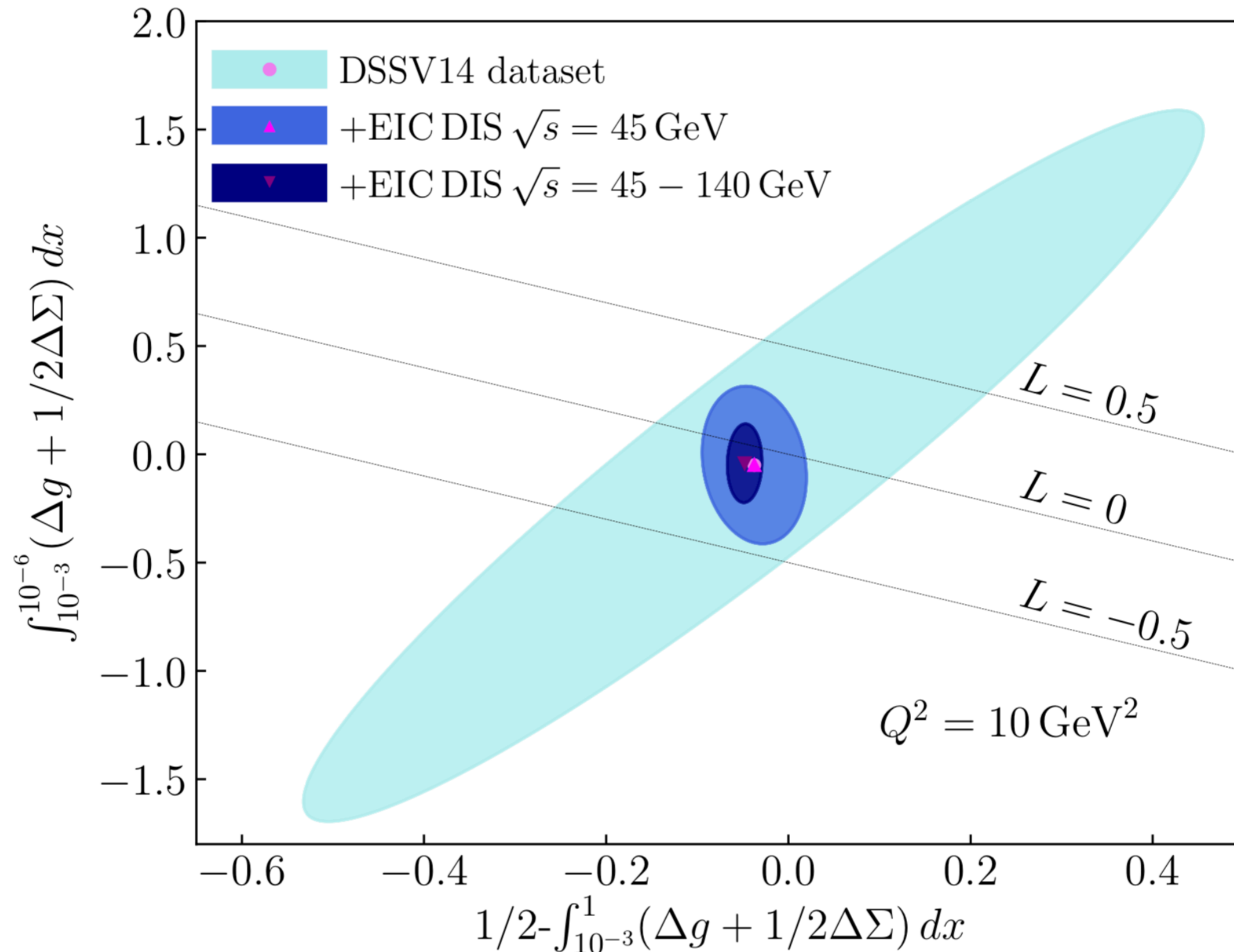
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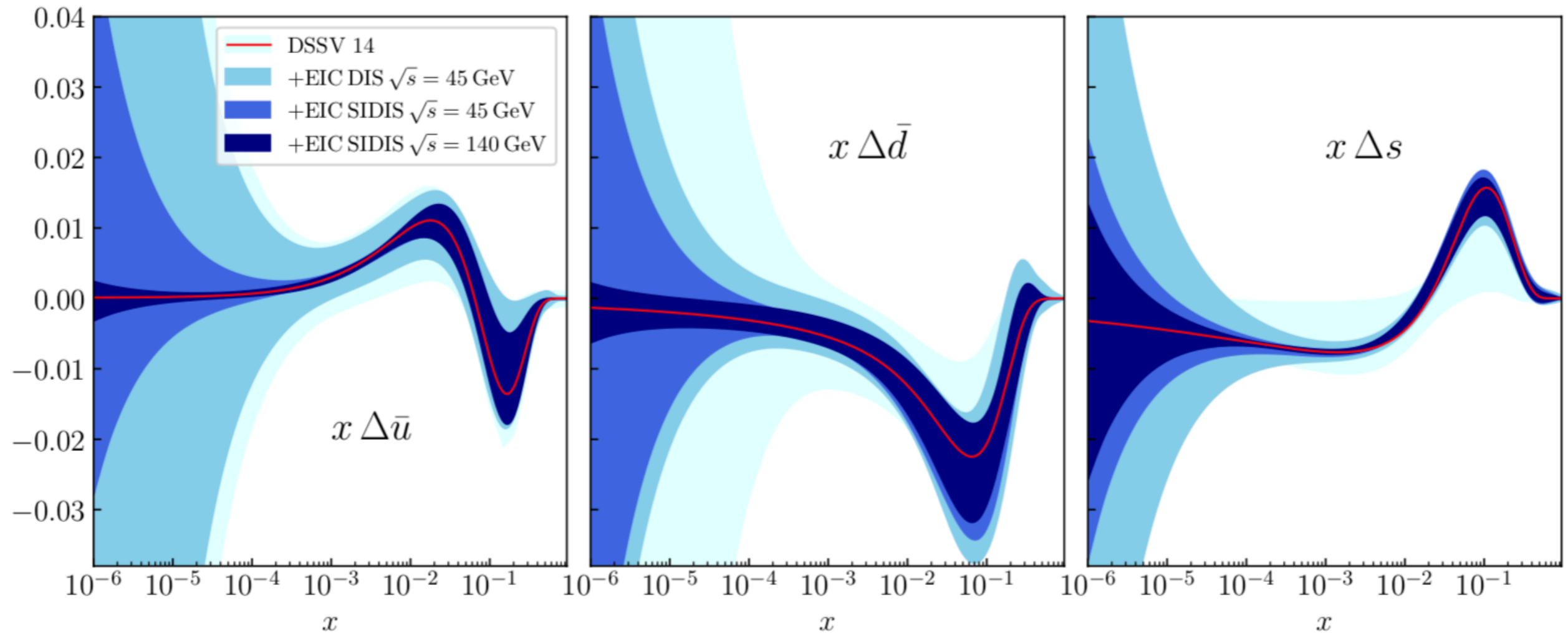
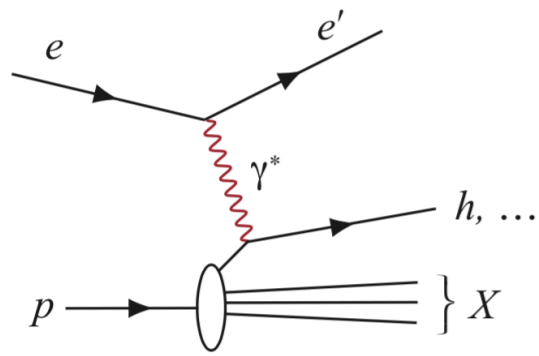
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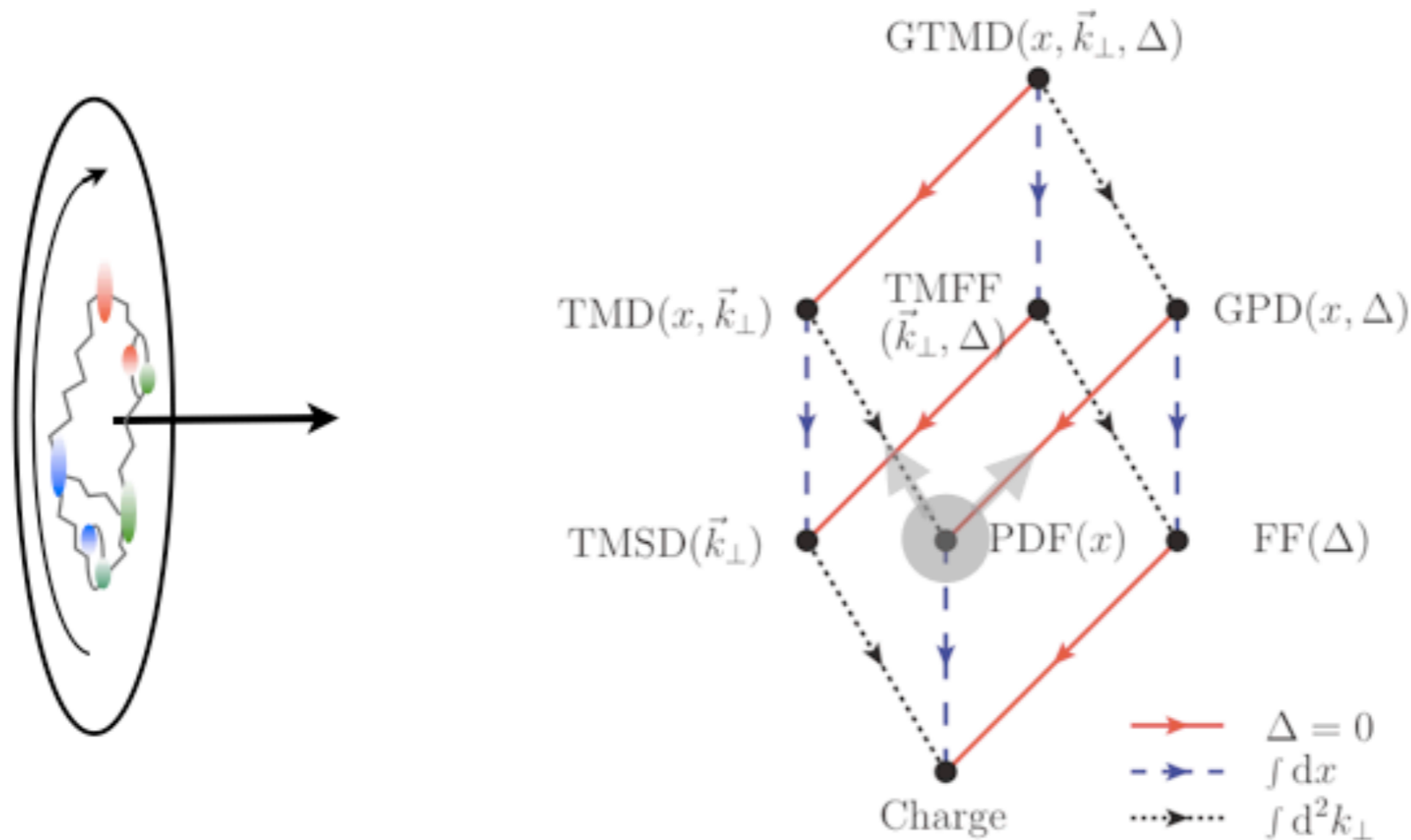
U.S.-based EIC - polarized semi-inclusive DIS



Semi-inclusive measurements will vastly advance insights in the polarized quark sea, come with particle-identification challenges,

Charged-current measurements provide unique opportunities, e.g. g_5

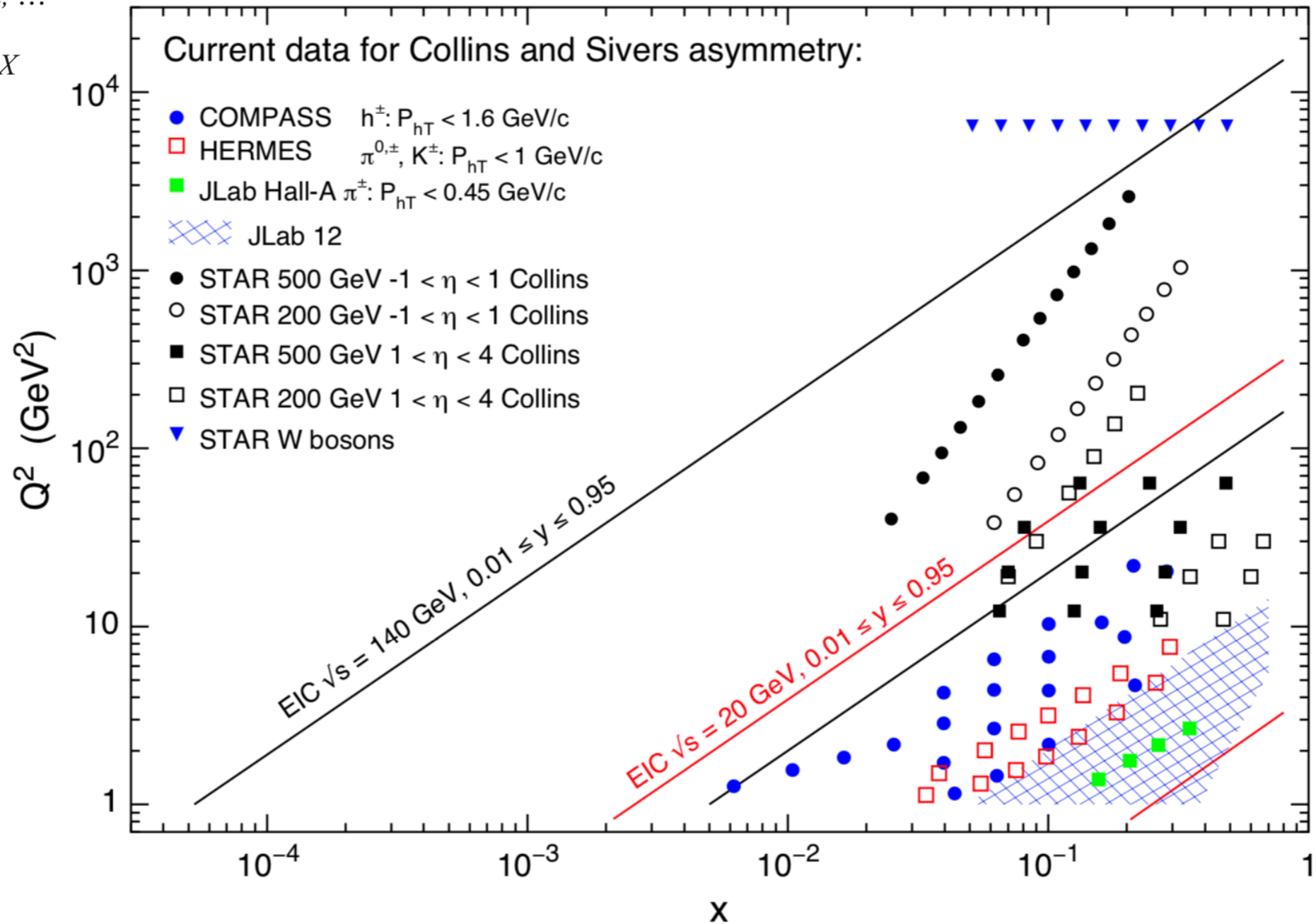
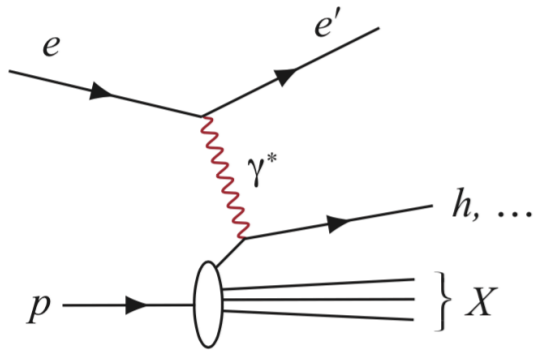
U.S.-based EIC - beyond collinear parton distributions



Lorce, Pasquini, Vanderhaeghen

Semi-inclusive measurements, together with exclusive measurements, are key to probe beyond collinear parton distributions, image the nucleon — orbital angular momenta.

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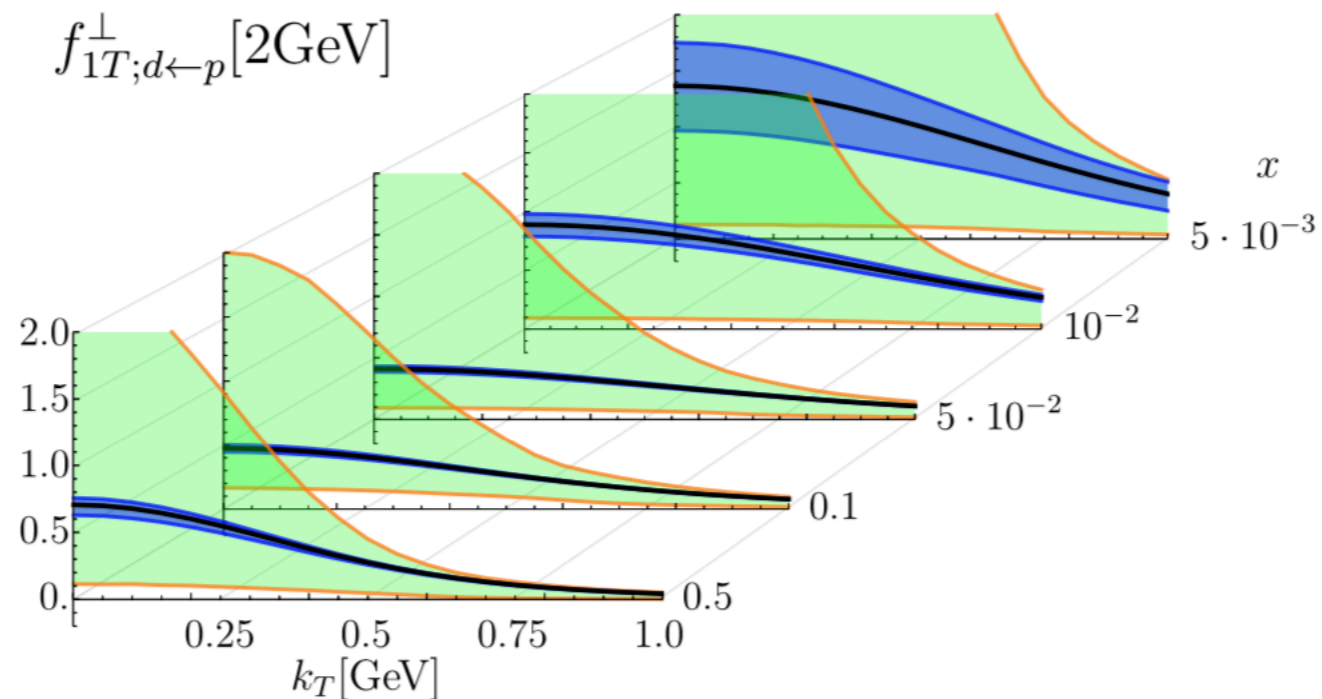
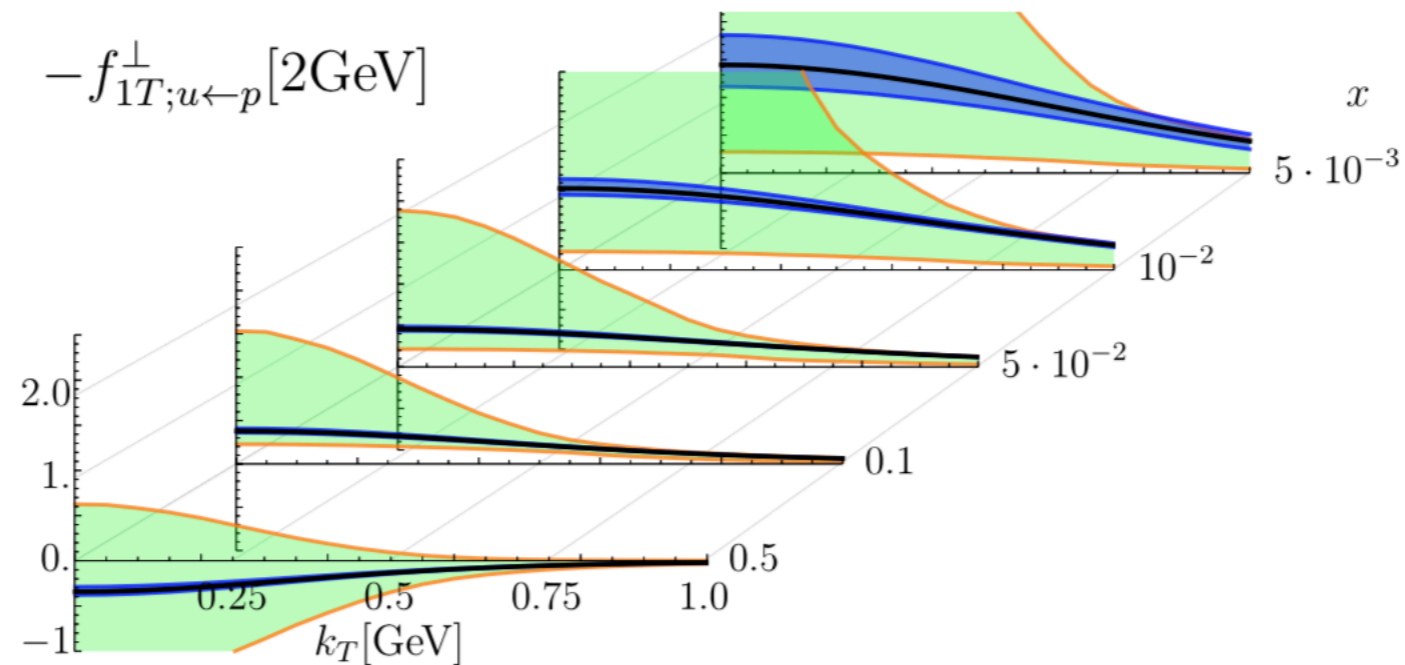
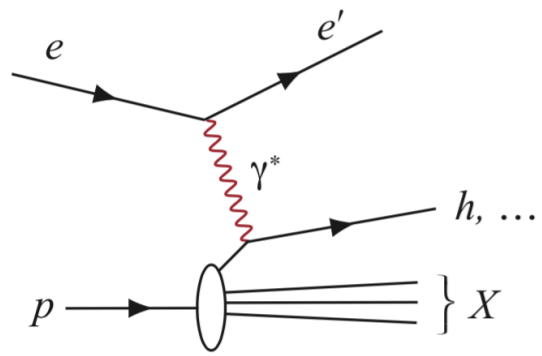


Collins asymmetry is related to the quark transversity distribution and manifested via a transverse momentum dependent fragmentation function in polarized SIDIS,

Sivers asymmetry is related to an initial state transverse-momentum correlation with spin,

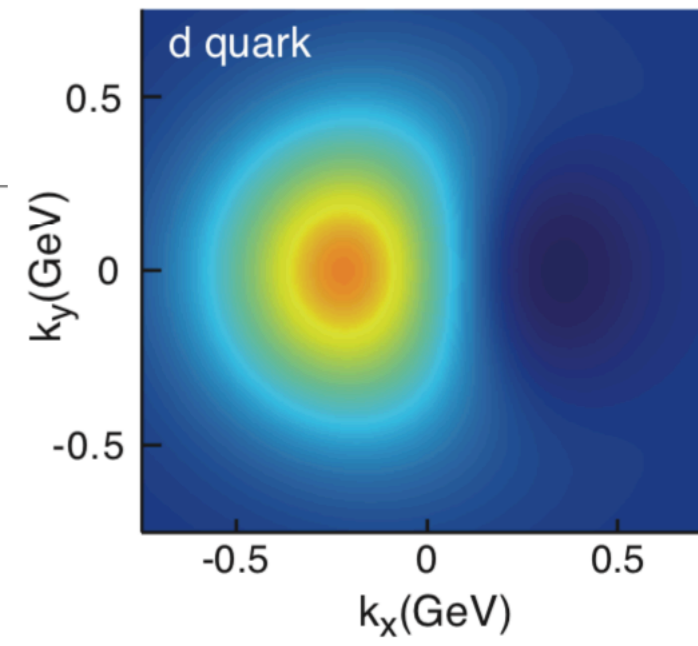
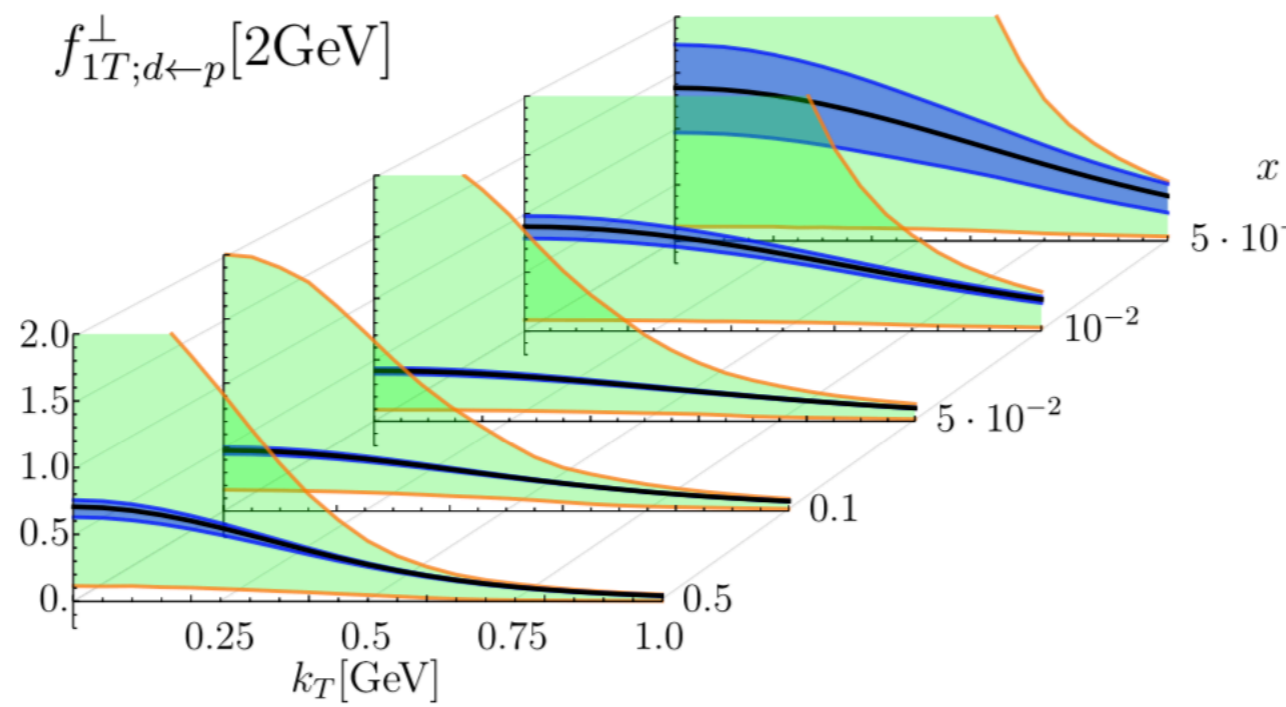
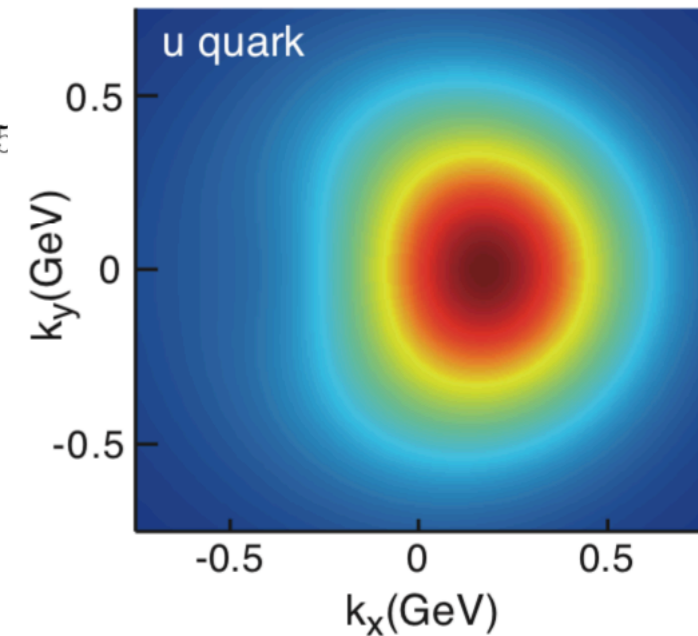
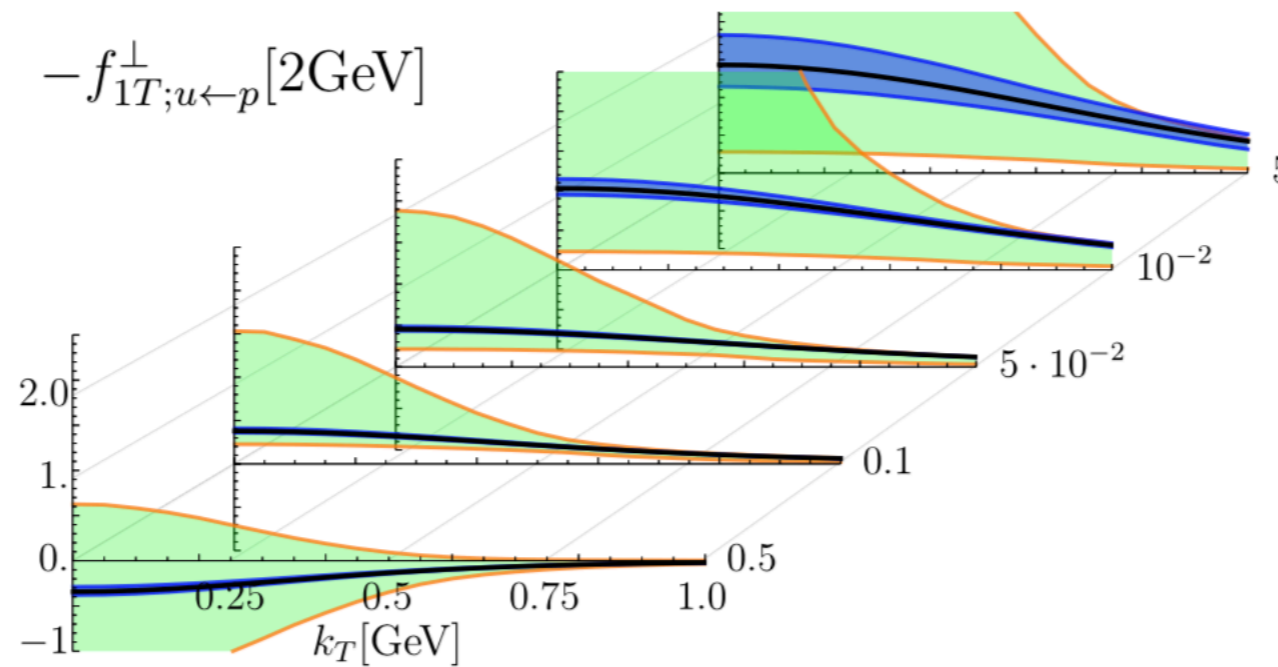
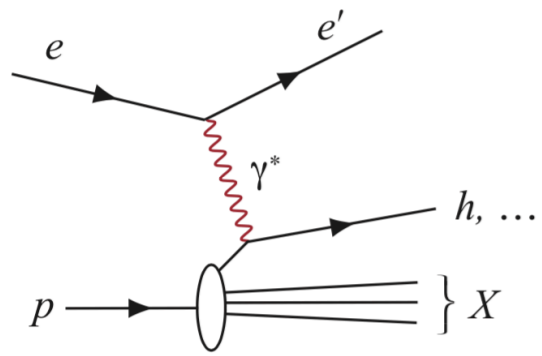
They are well known examples of asymmetries involving transverse momentum dependence in the field of spin physics, but far from the only ones - many other TMDs exist

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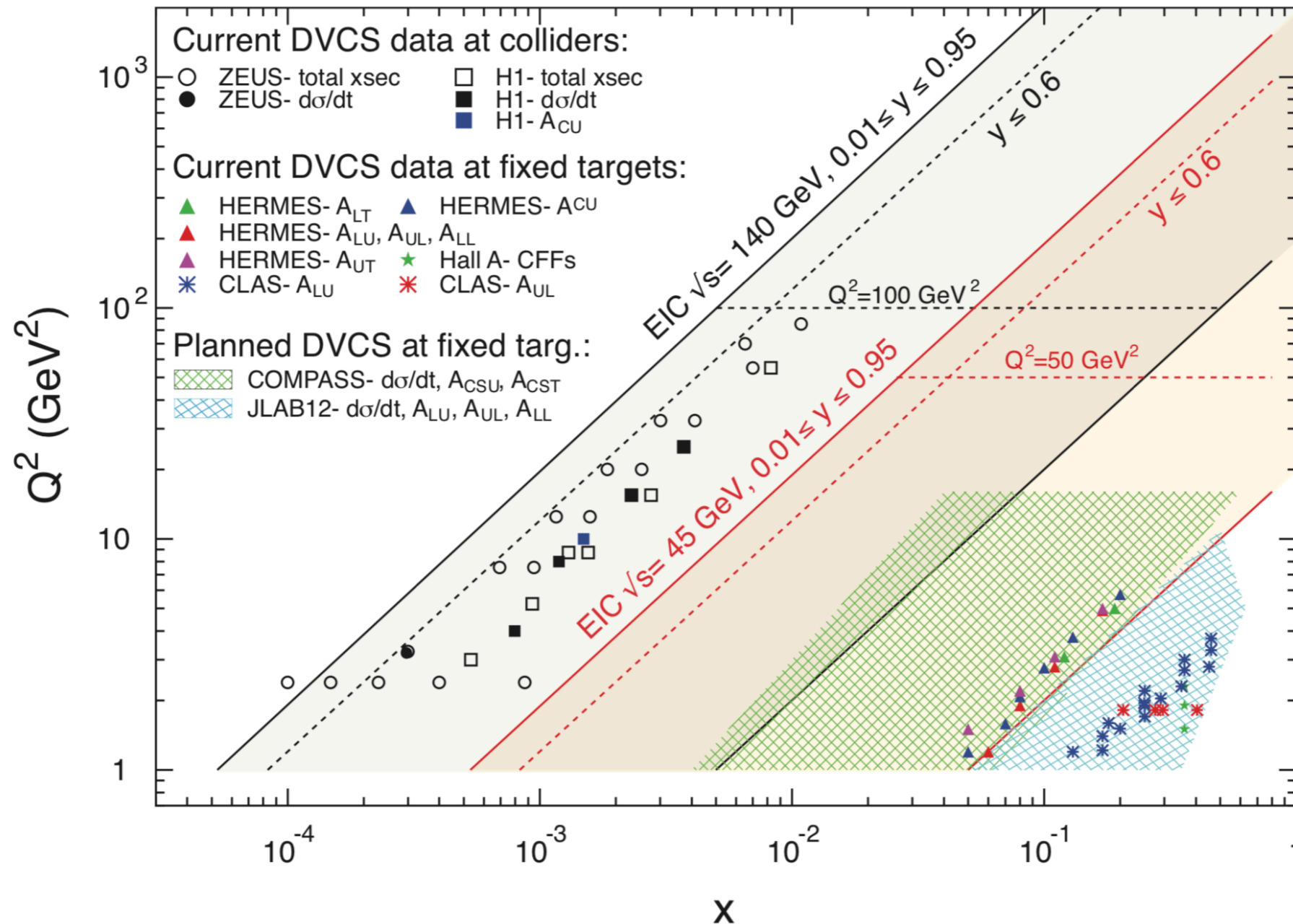
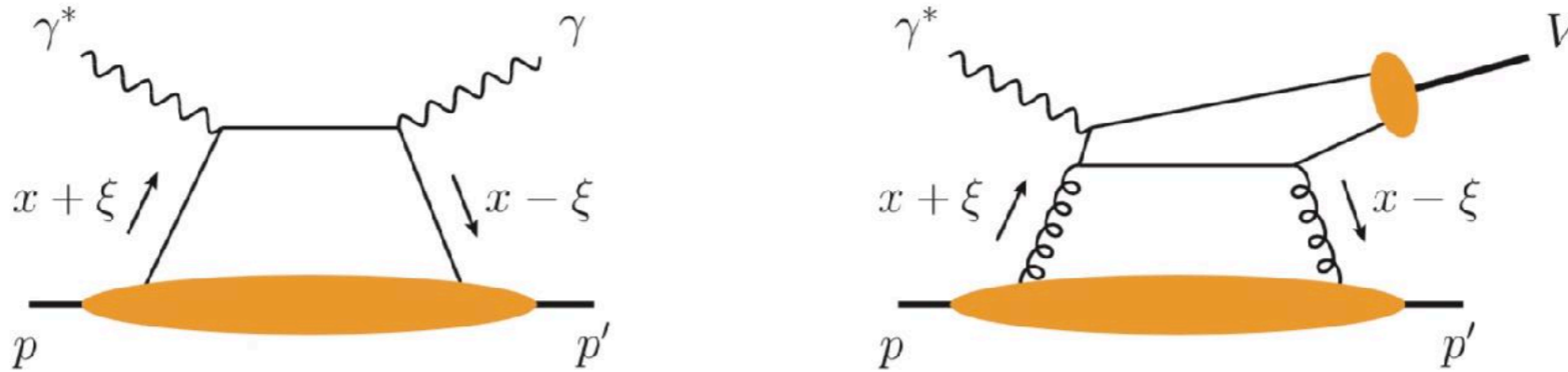
Imaging nucleon (spin) is a major EIC objective - illustrated here is the impact on the up and down Sivers' functions

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EIC - DVCS, DVMP, and Imaging

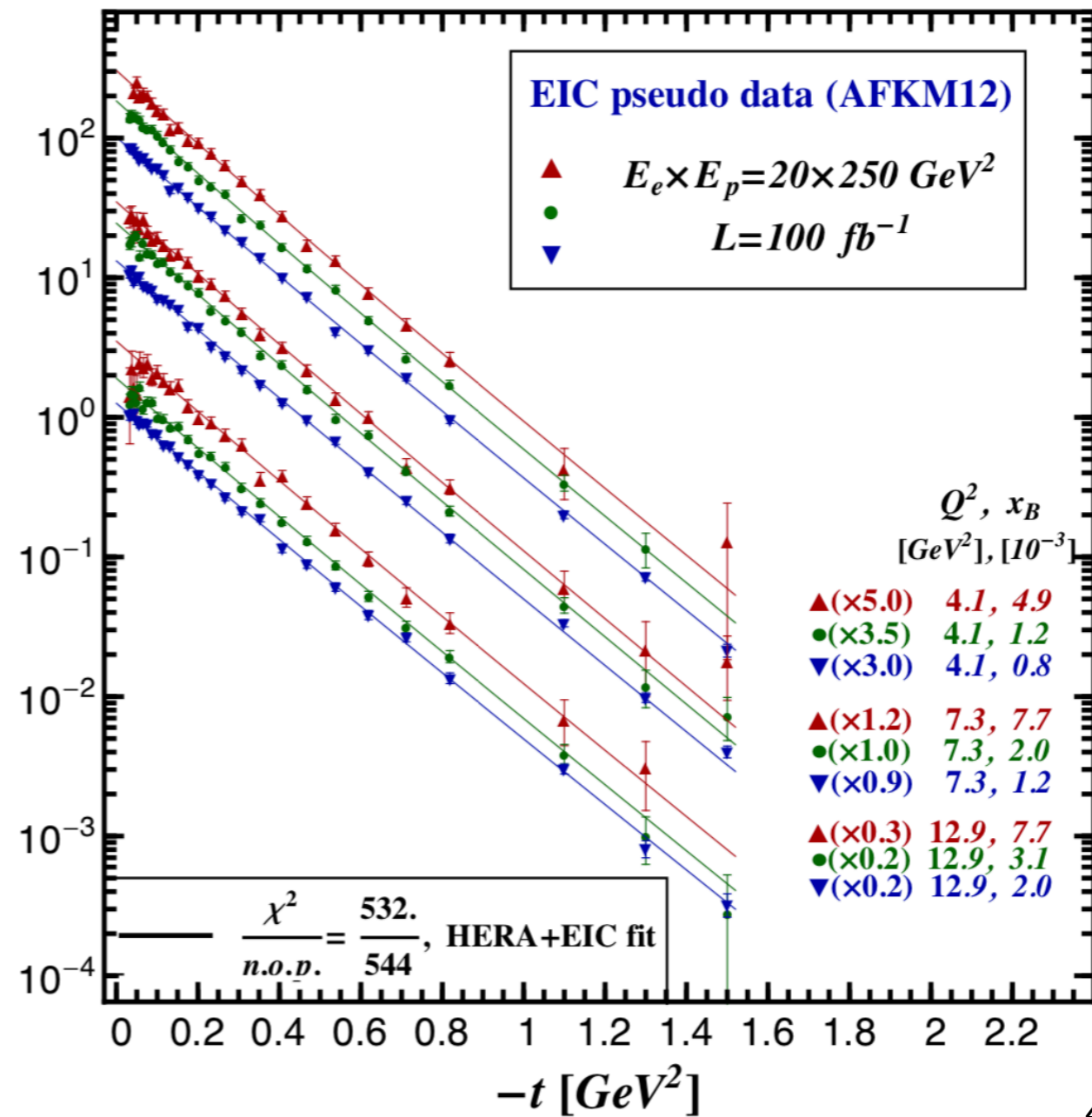
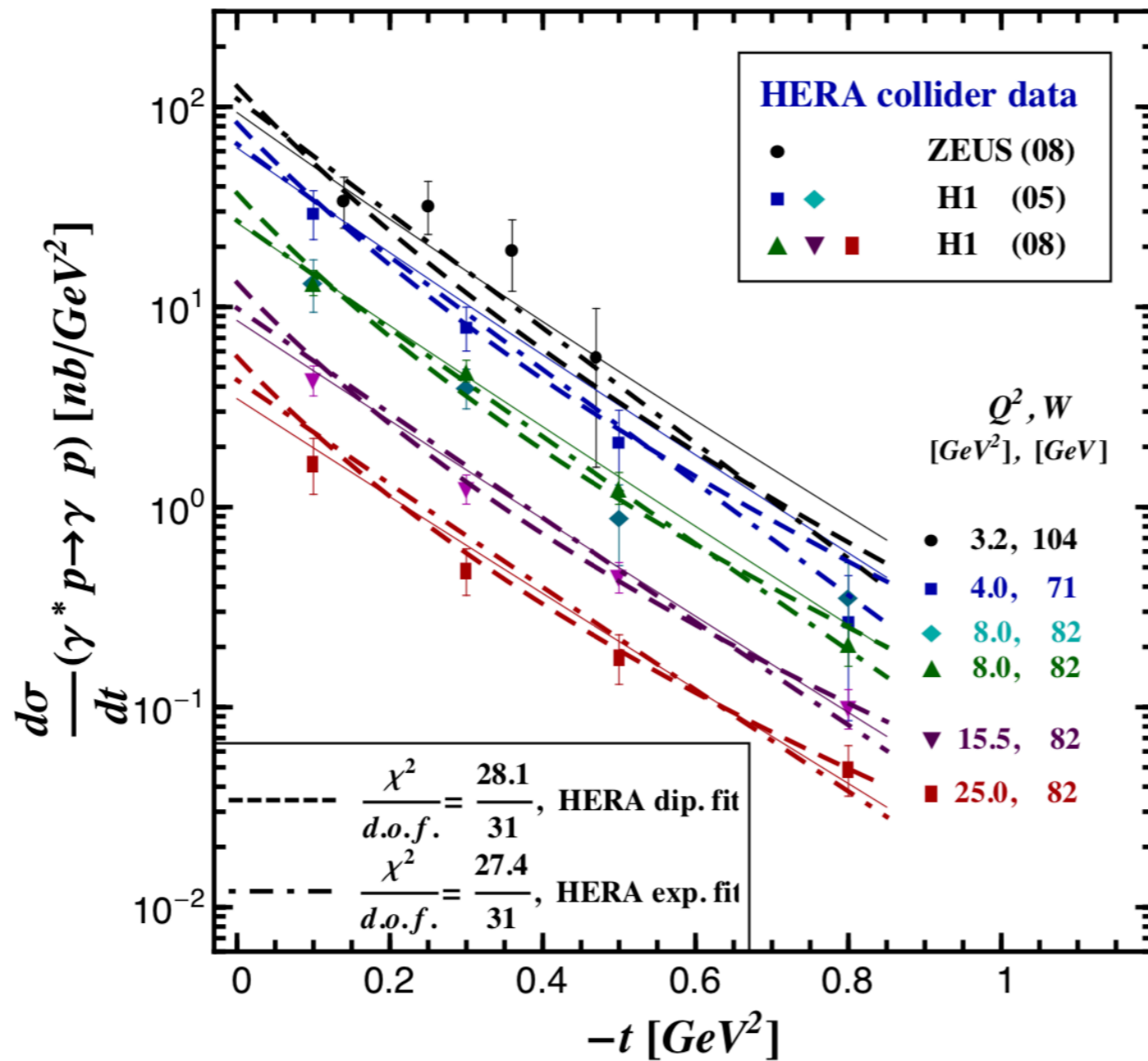
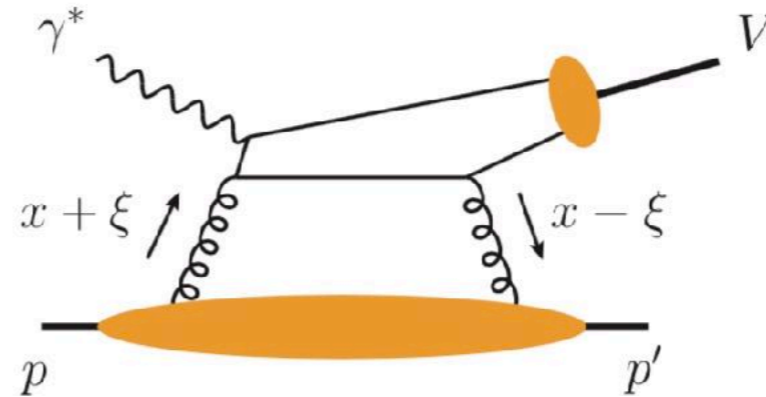
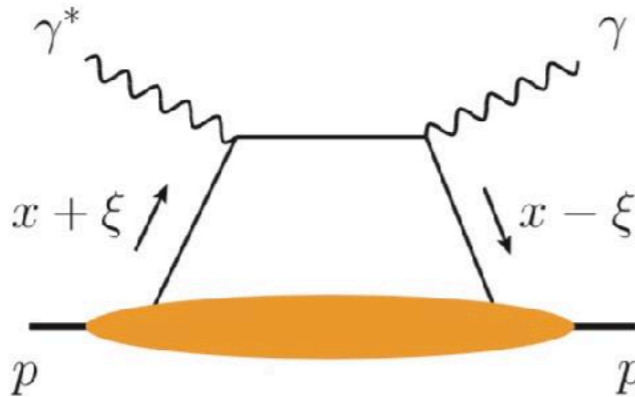


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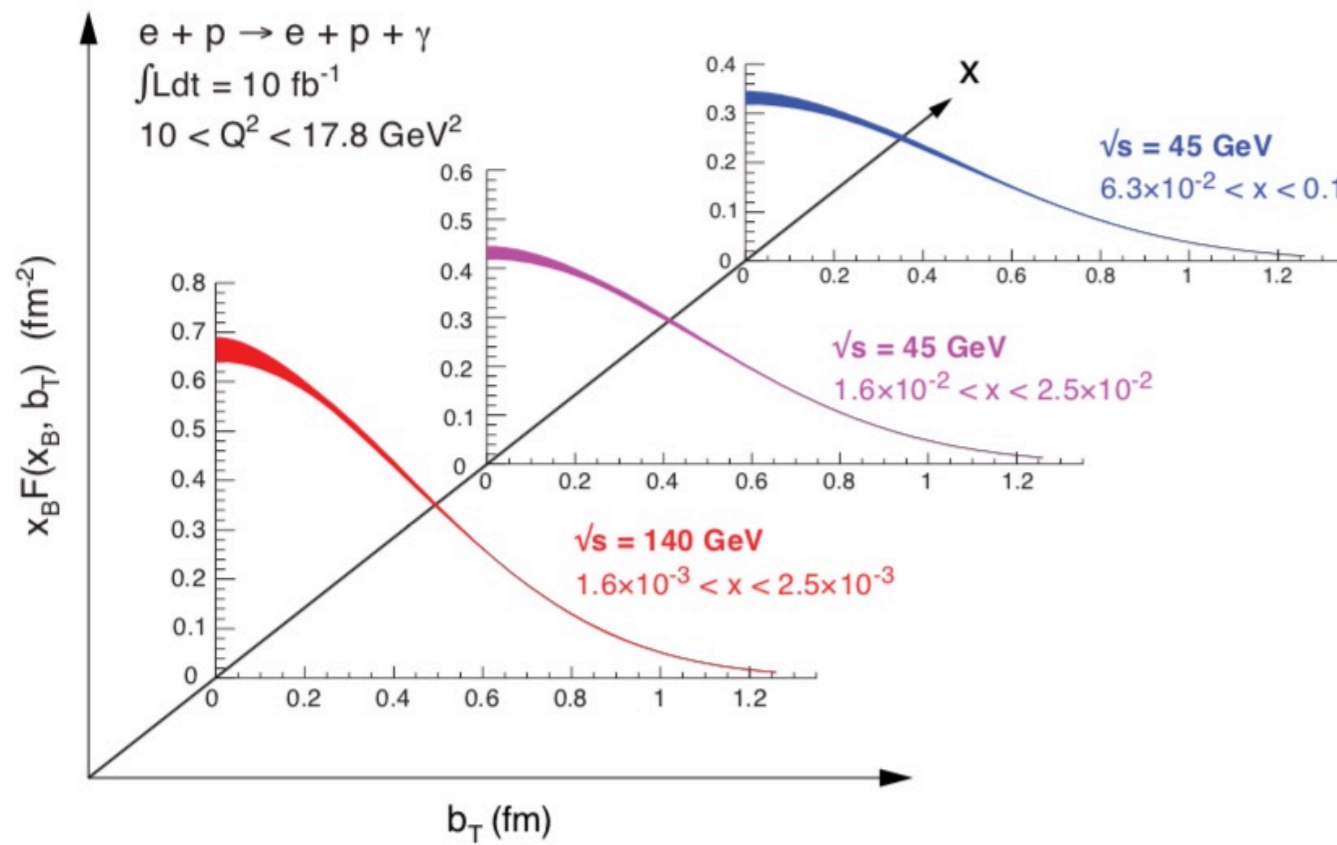
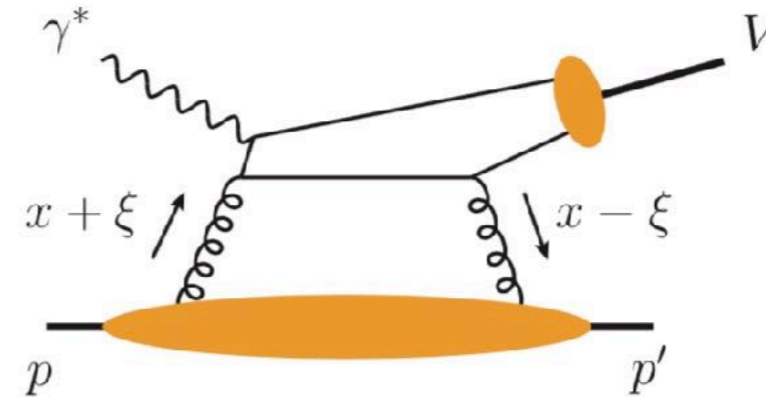
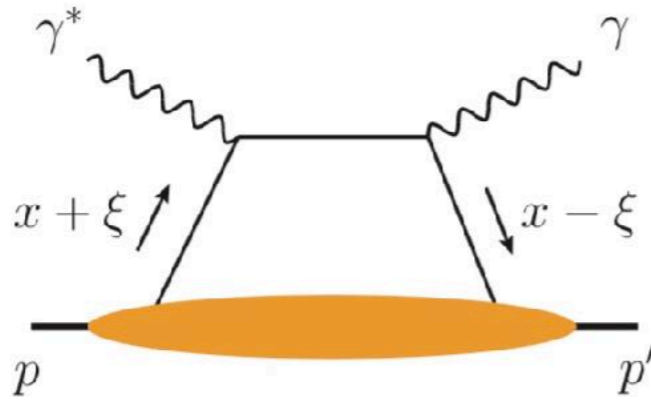
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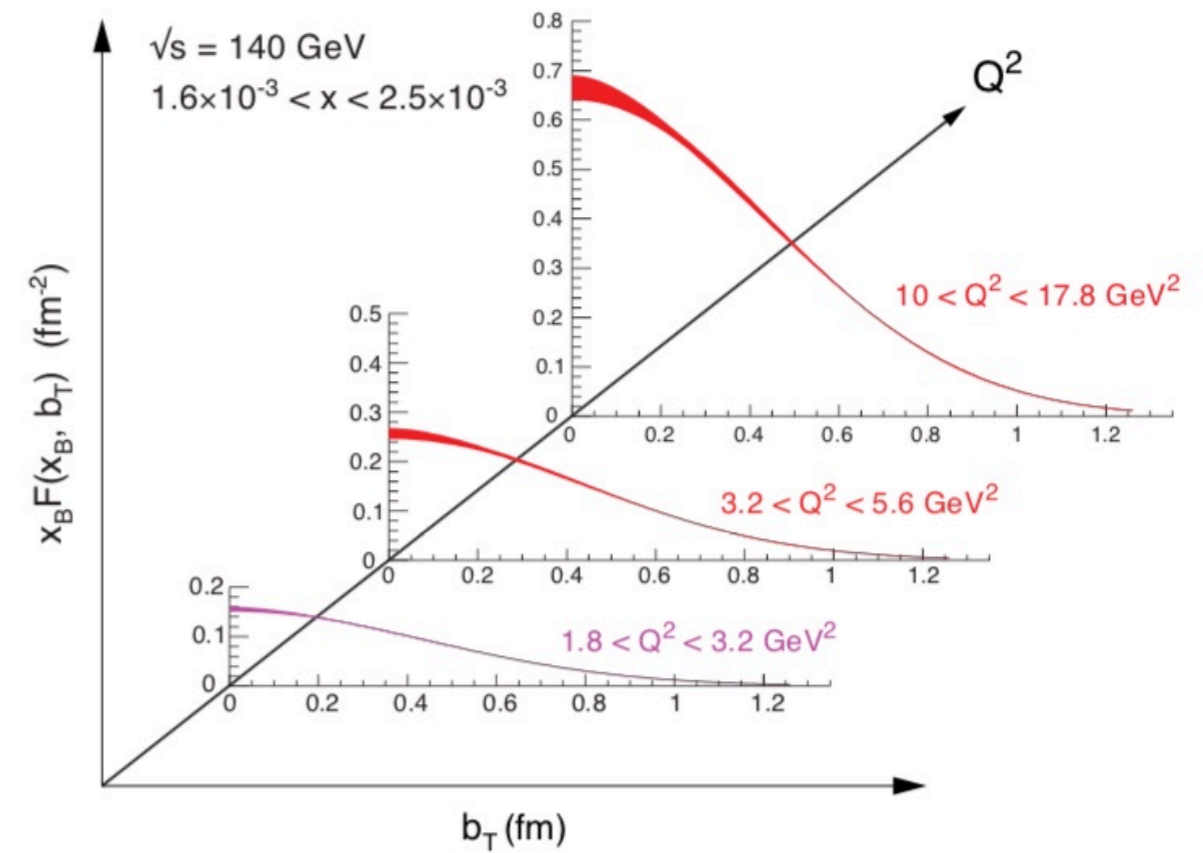
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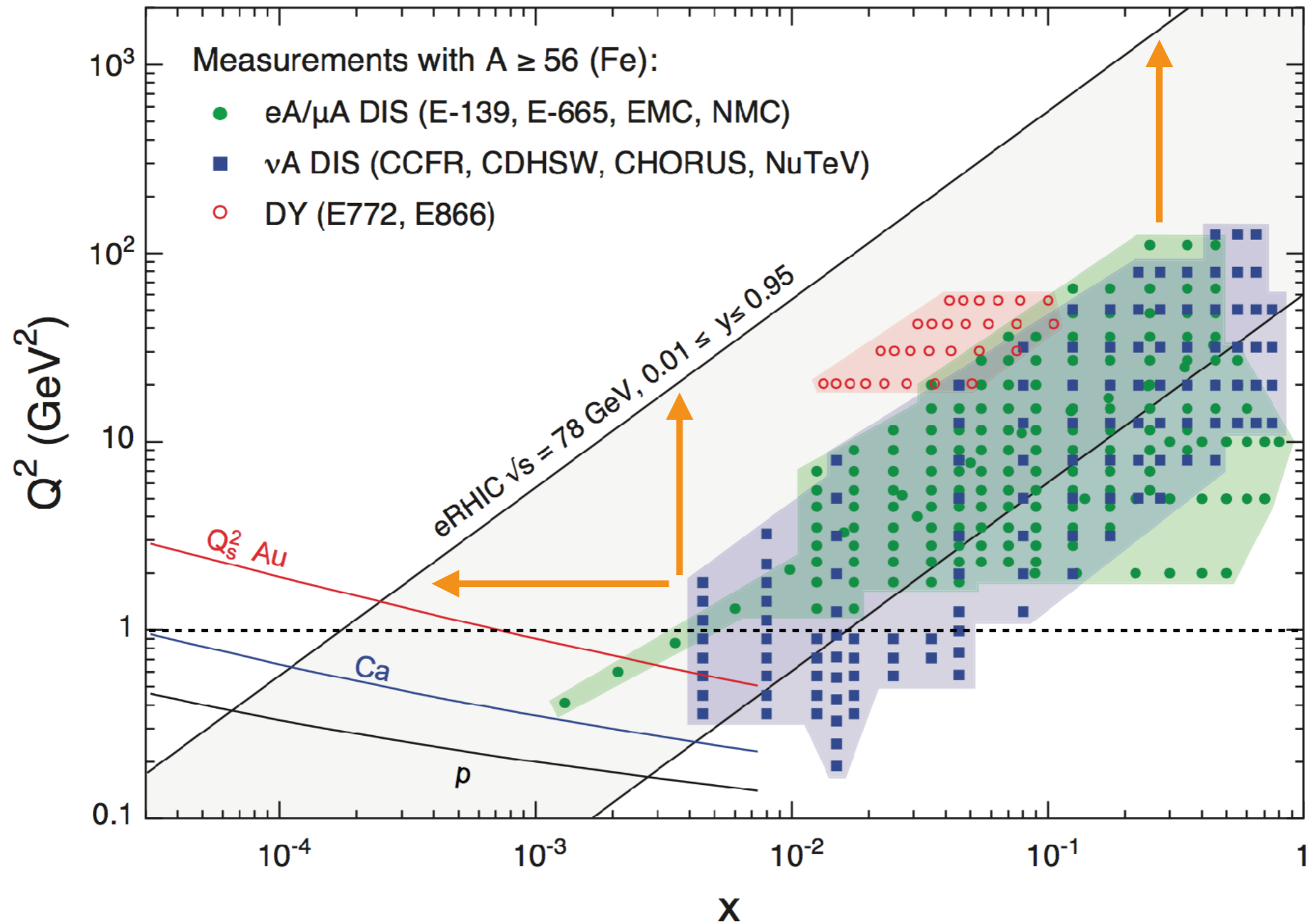


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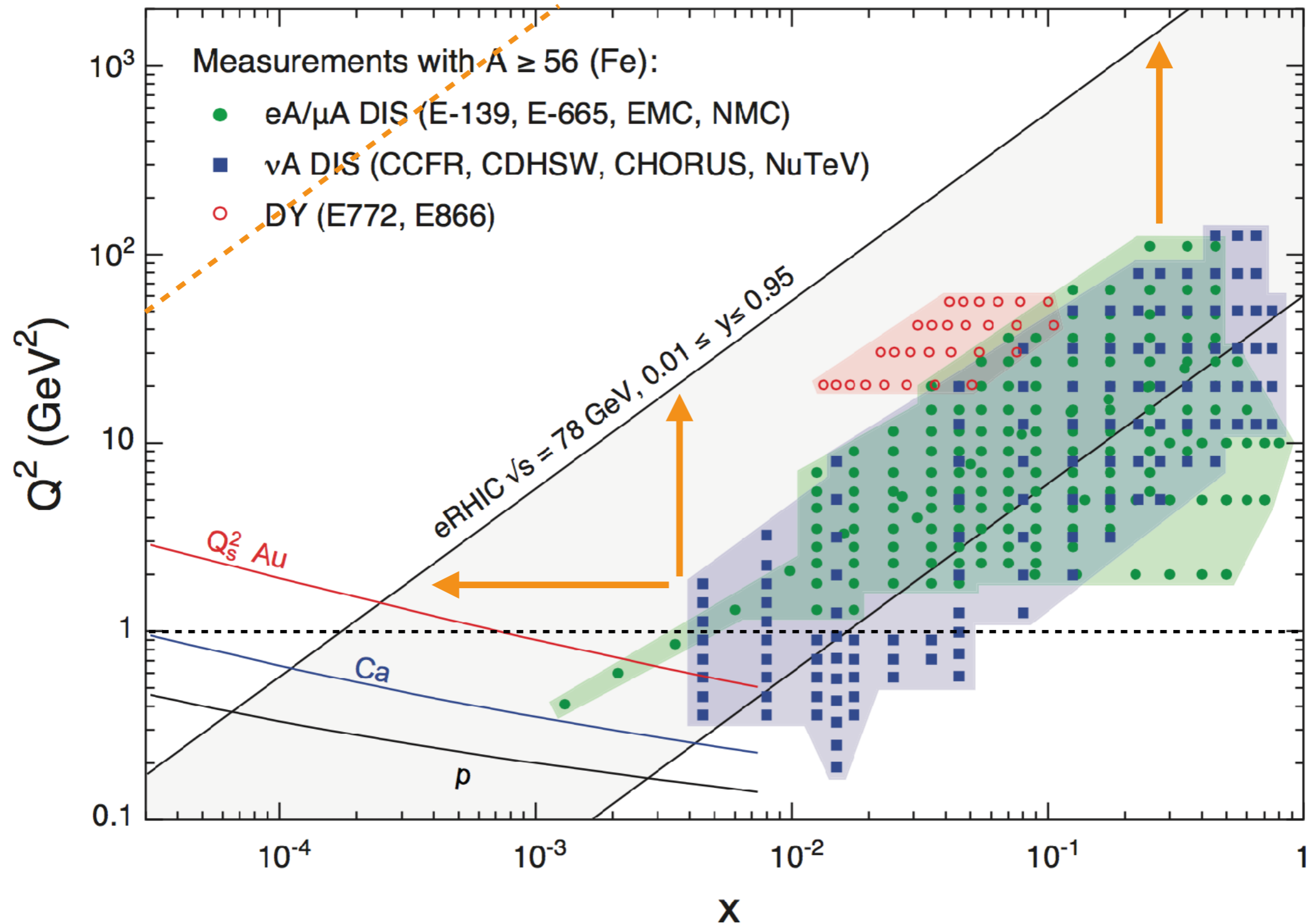


Q^2 -dependence at fixed x

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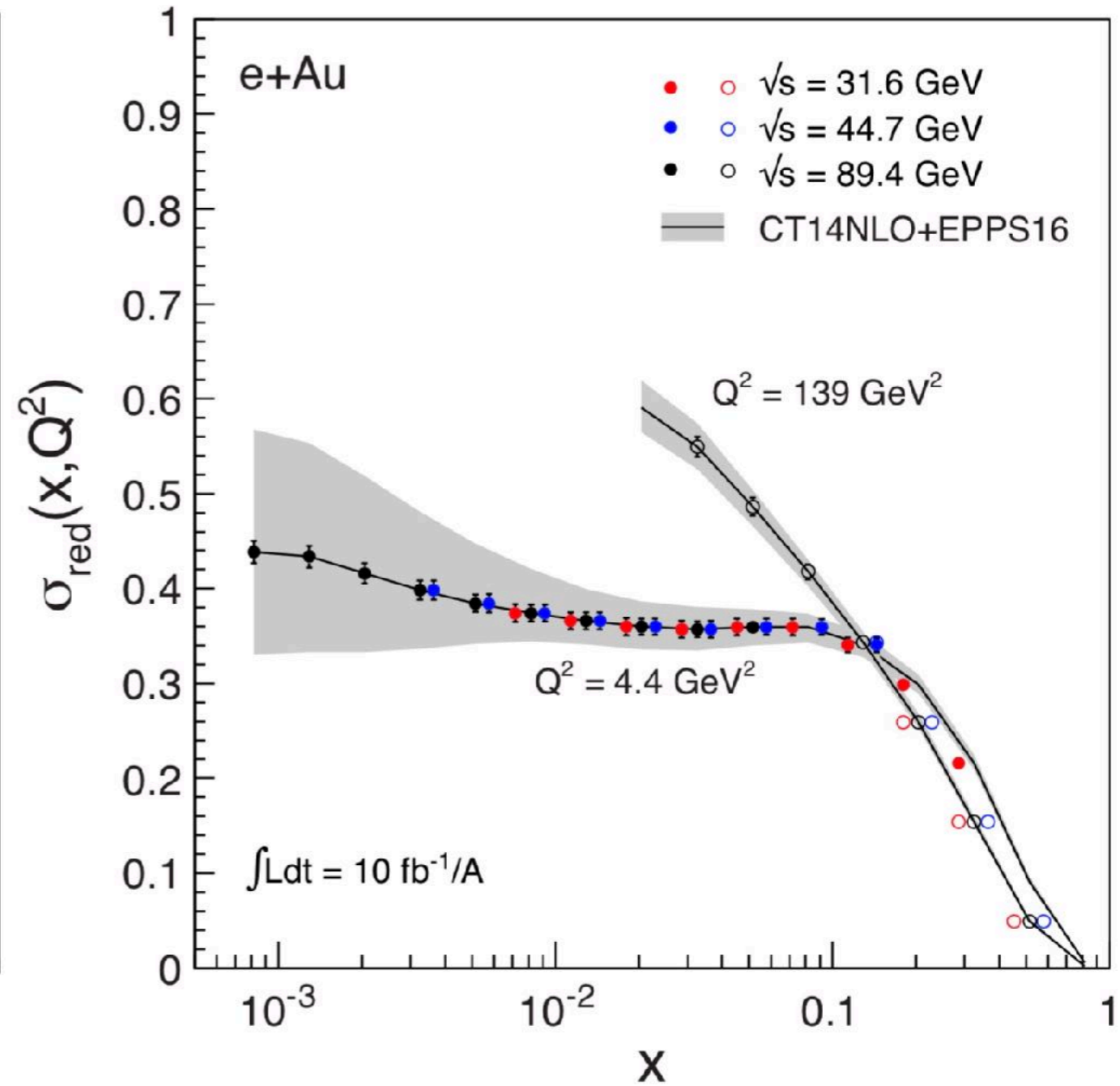
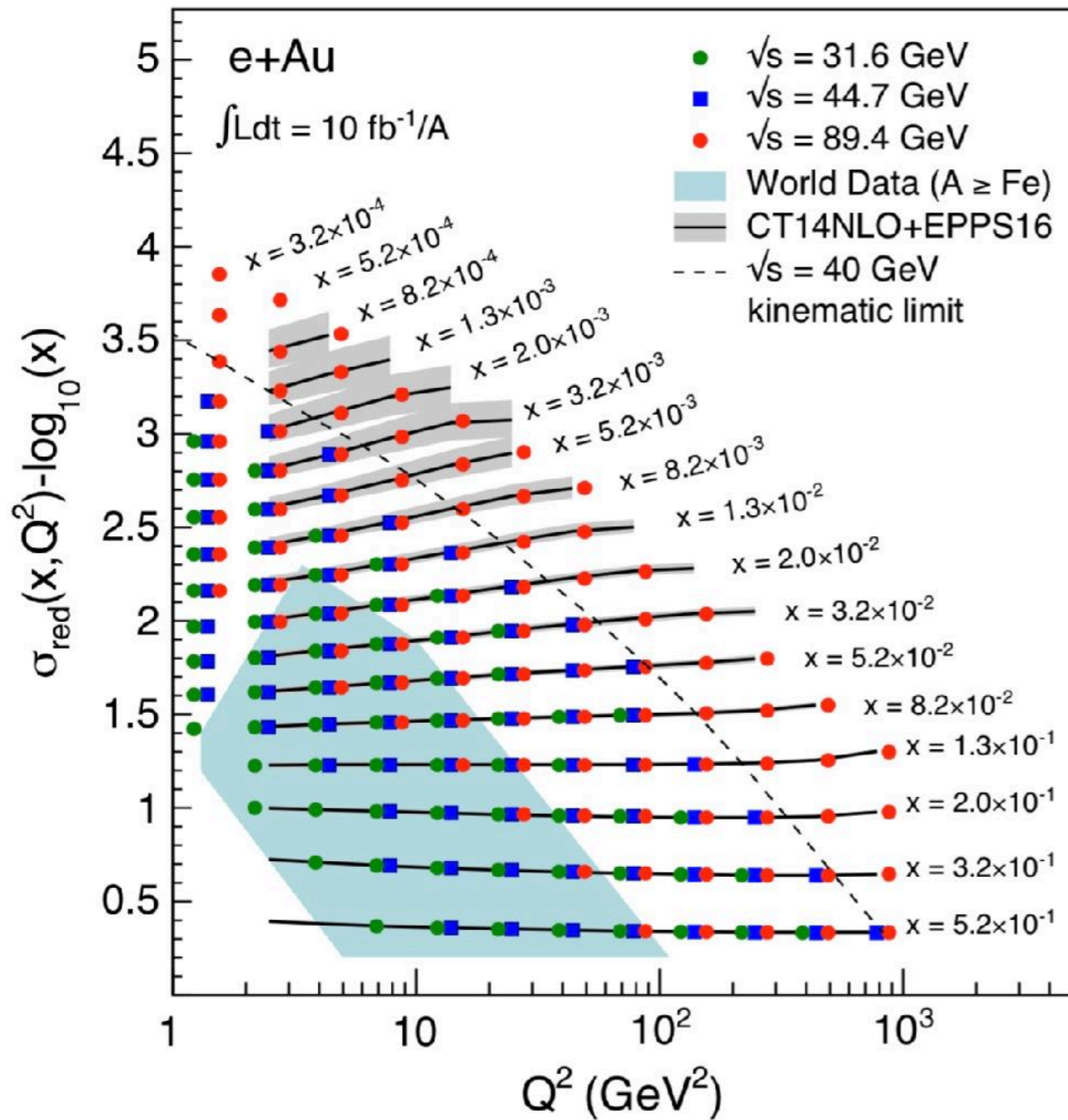
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LHeC, if realized, will obviously provide unprecedented kinematic reach, complementarity in polarization, A capabilities.

Further note: high- Q^2 W,Z and dijet data from LHC not shown (but part of EPPS16)

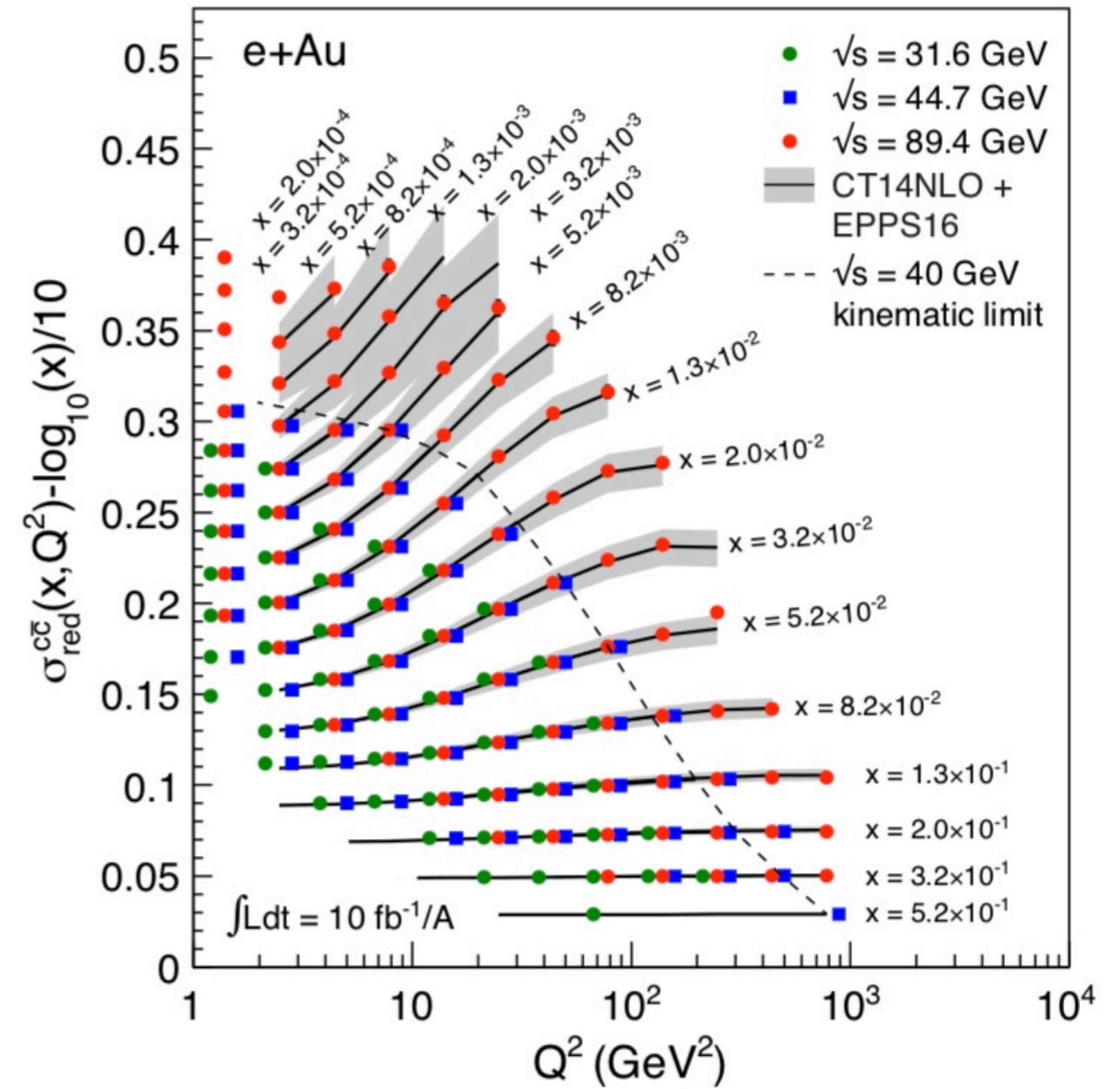
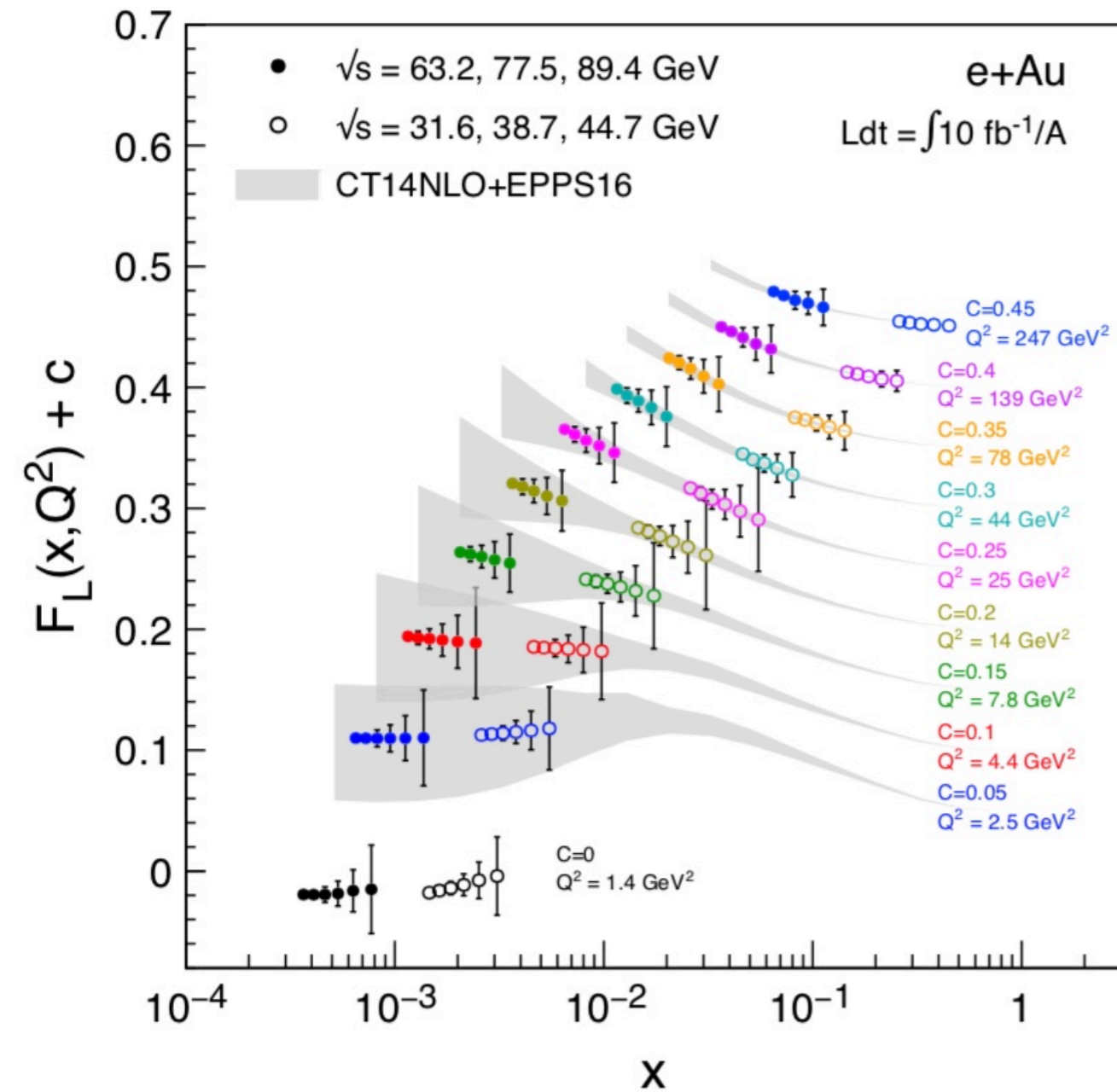
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$$\sigma_{\text{reduced}} = F_2(x, Q^2) - \frac{y}{1 + (1 - y)^2} F_L(x, Q^2)$$

Impactful baseline inclusive measurements.

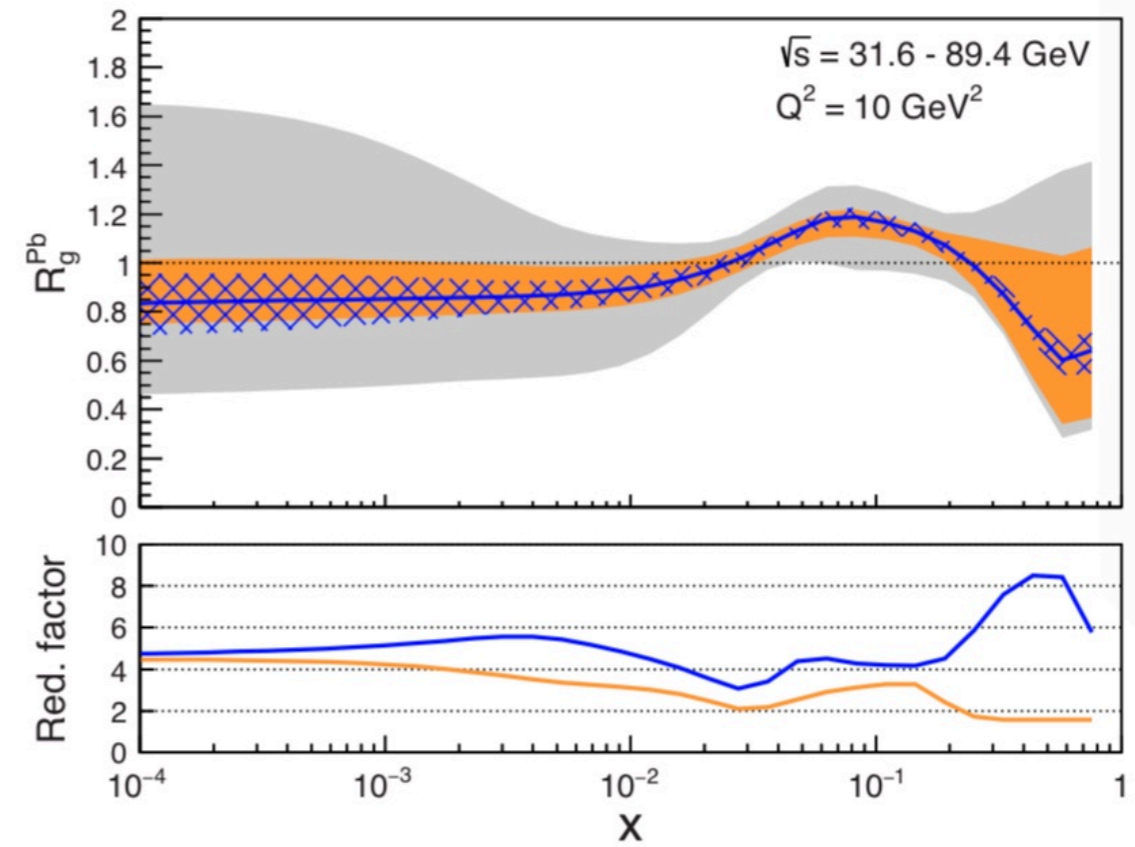
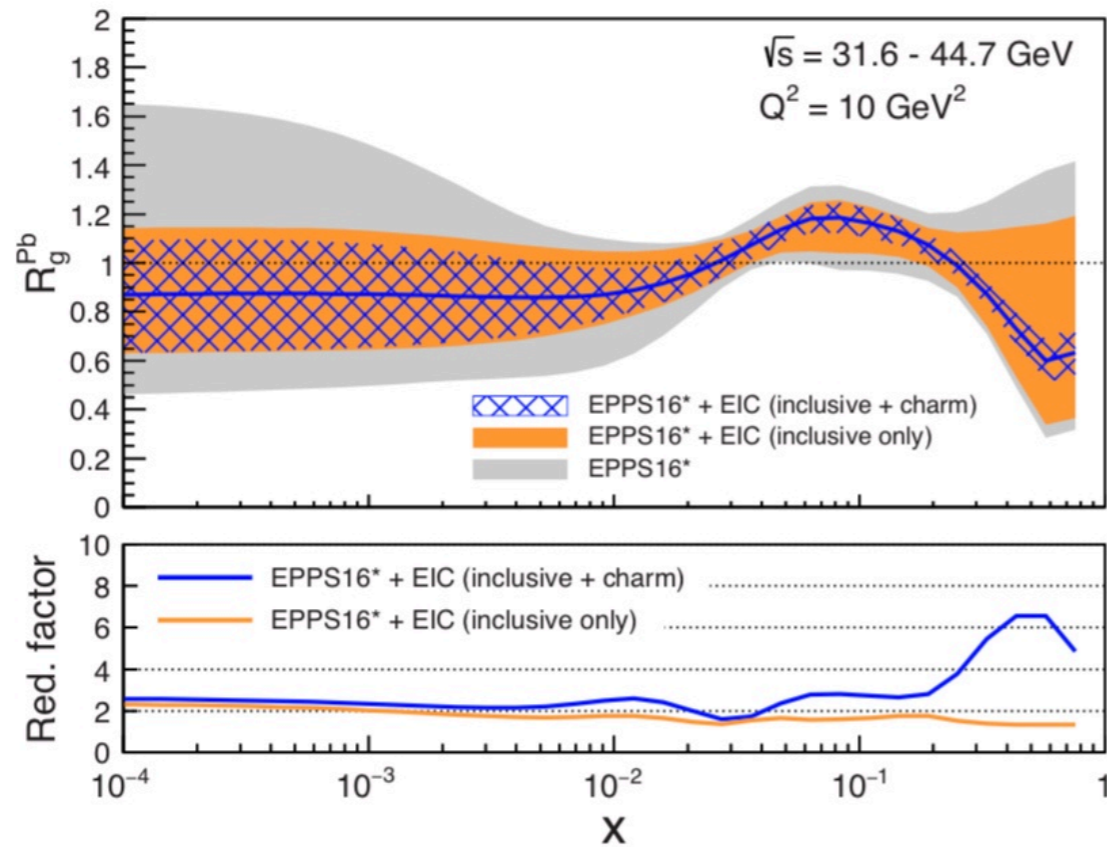
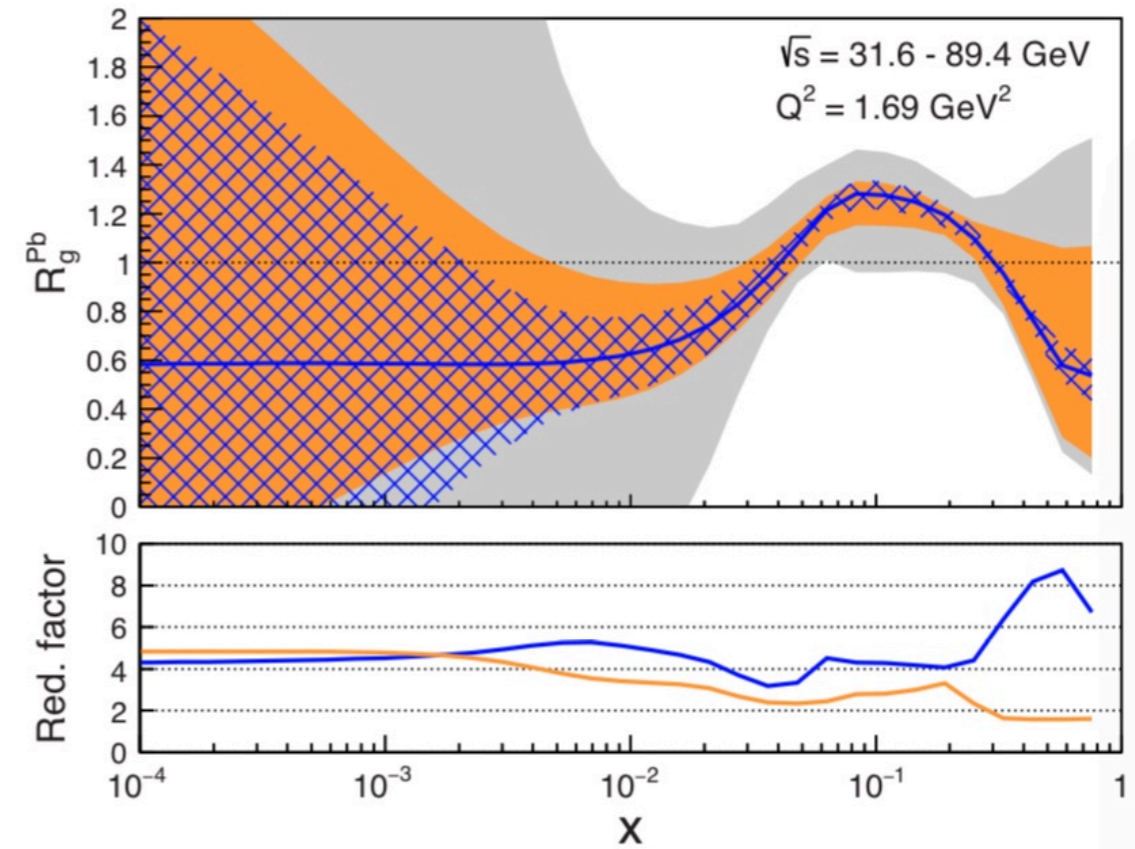
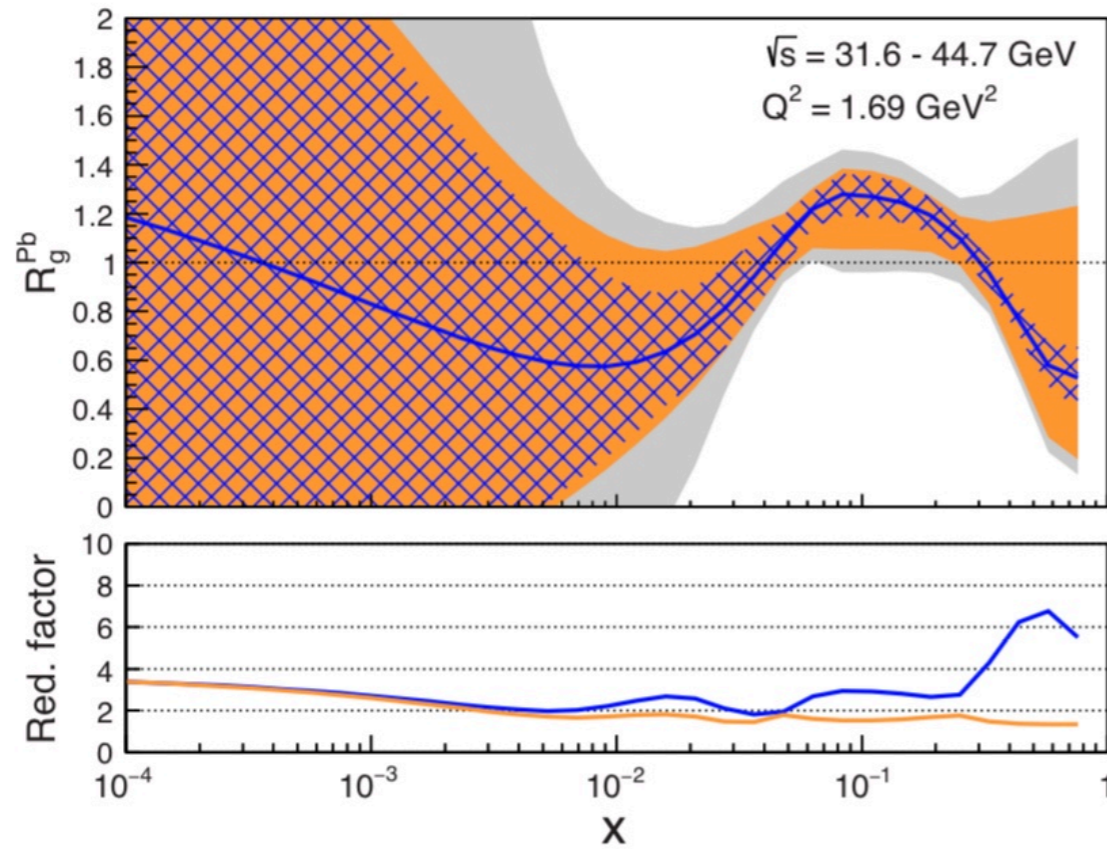
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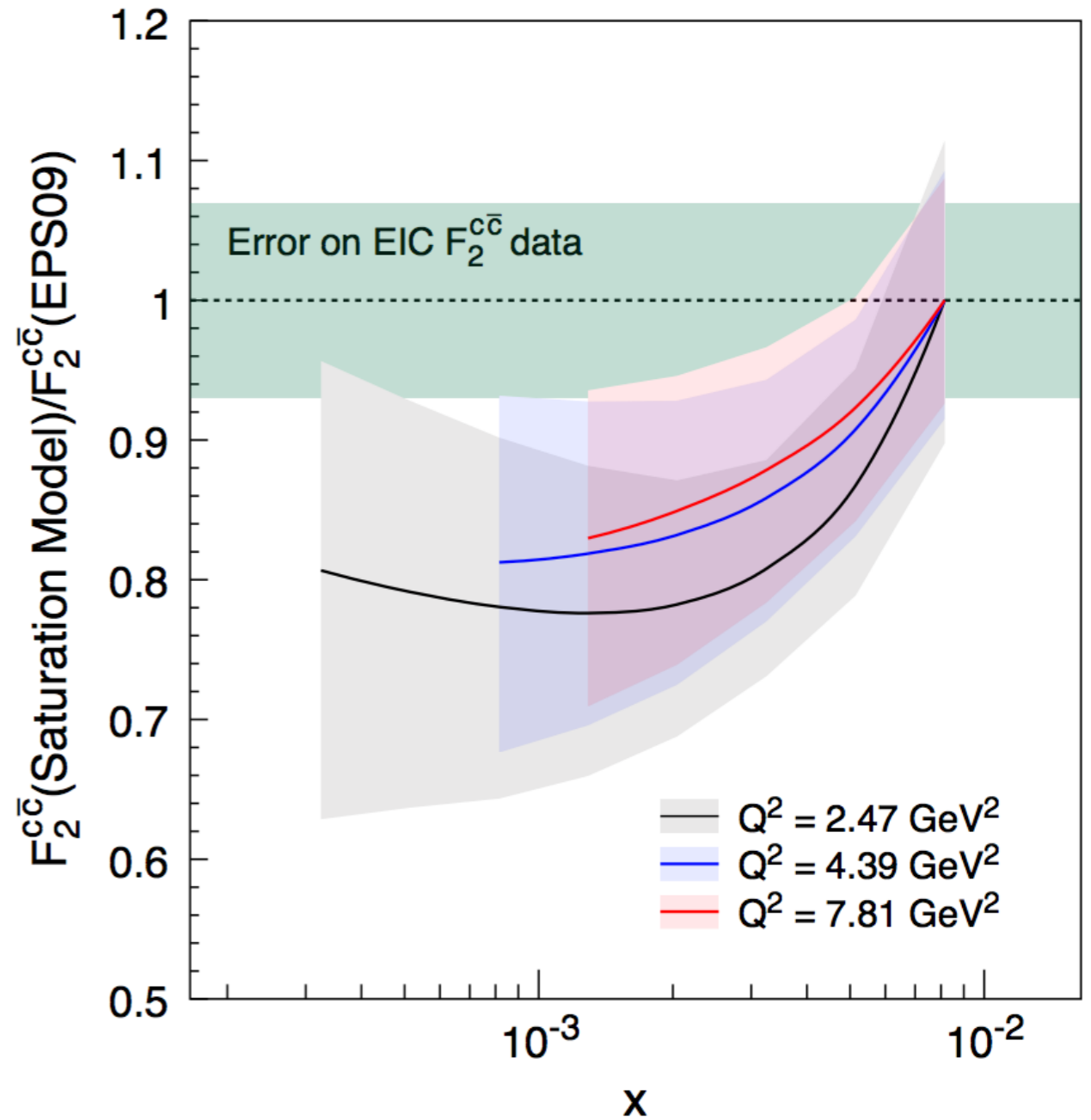
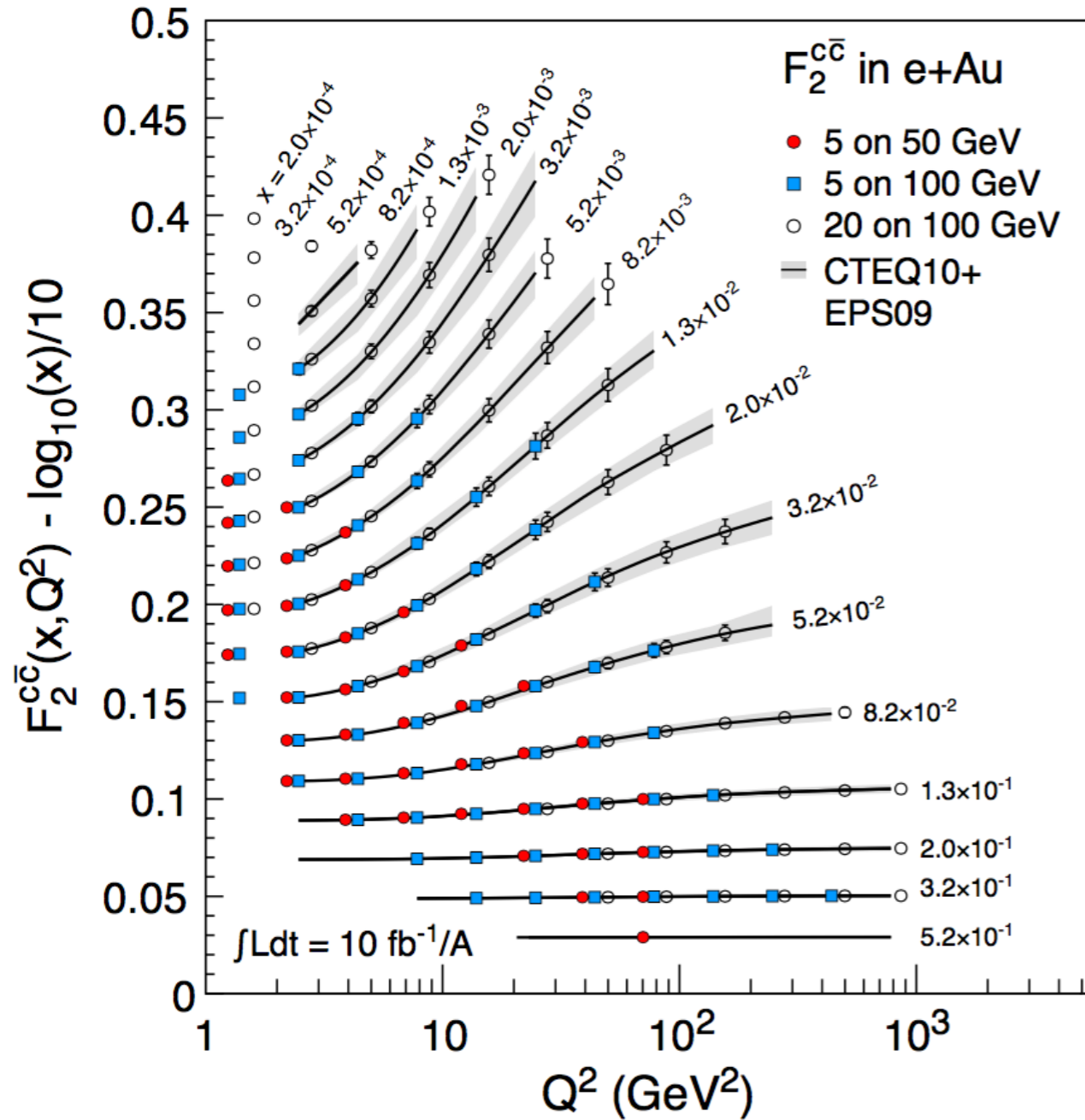
Clearly visible impact also beyond baseline inclusive measurements with “Rosenbluth separation” and semi-inclusive measurements.

Nuclear gluon will be probed sensitively with complementary channels.

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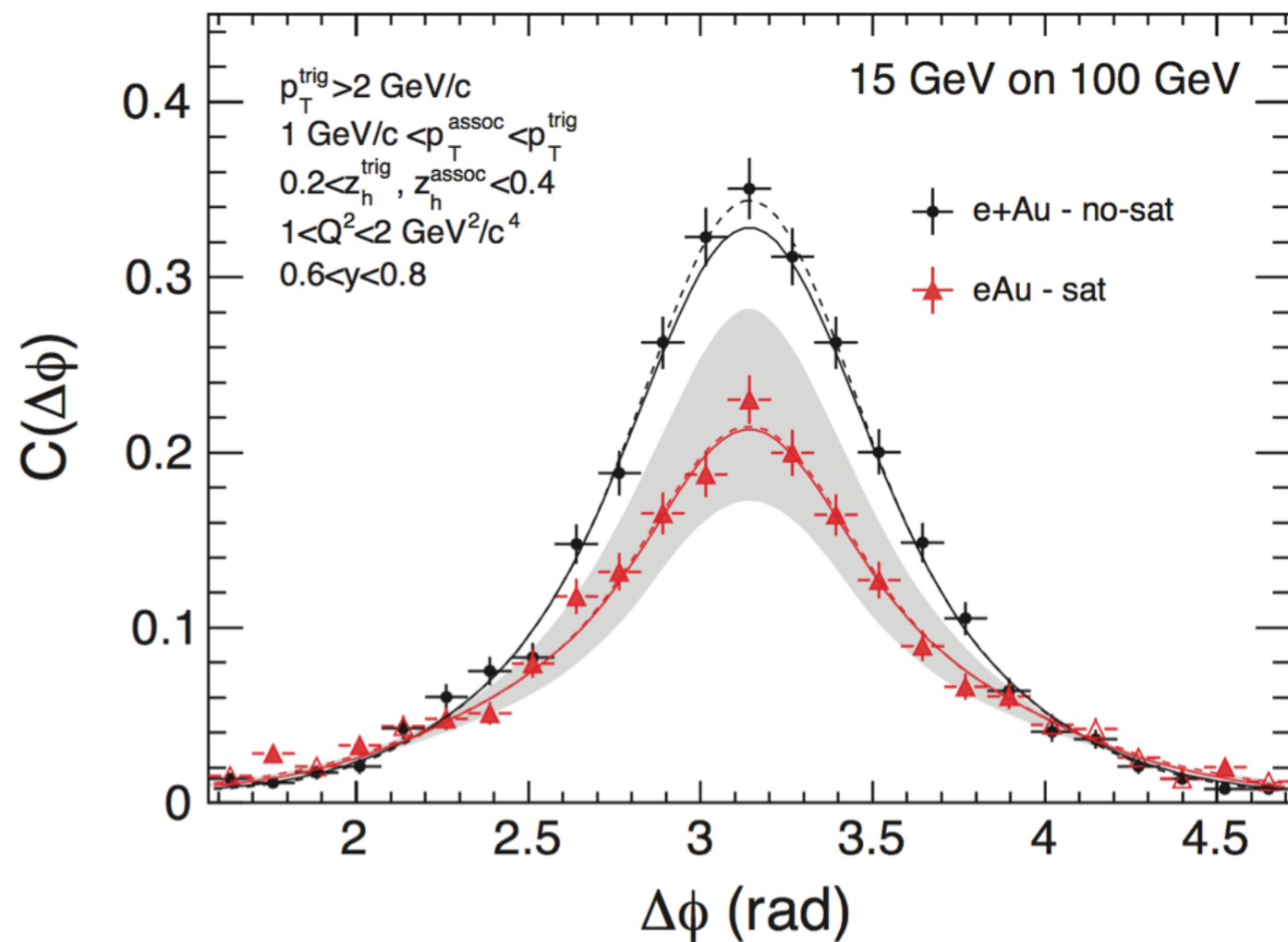
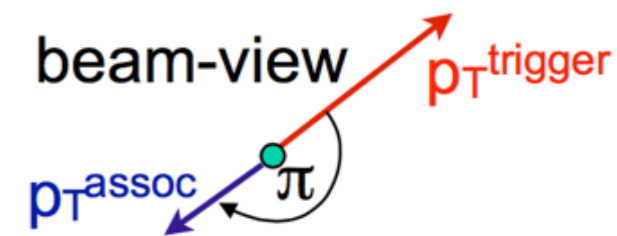
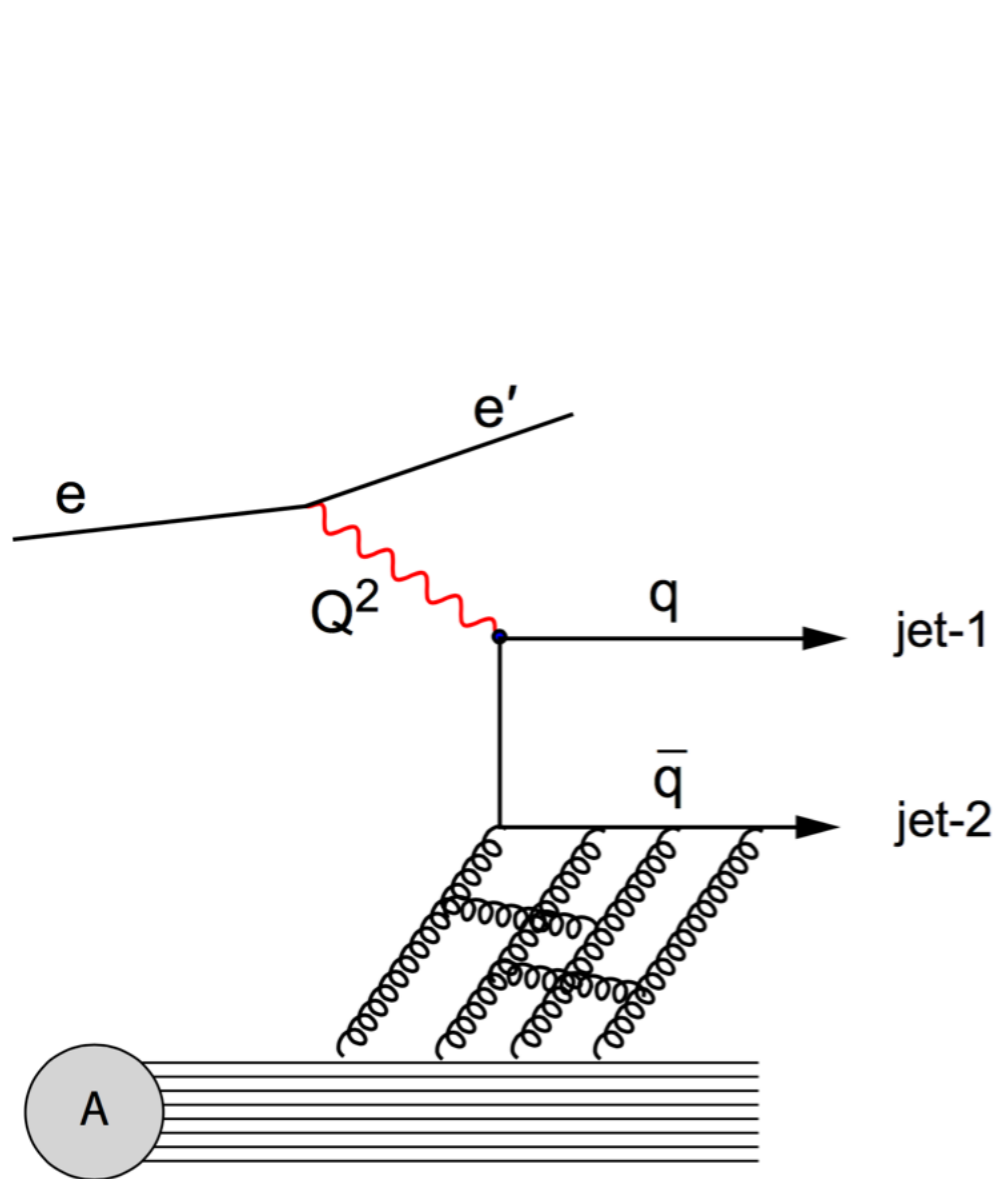


EIC - Saturation from within the PDF?



To be seen and certainly no substitute for thinking outside the PDF!

EIC - Dihadrons to probe Saturation



Dominguez, Xiao, Yuan (2011)

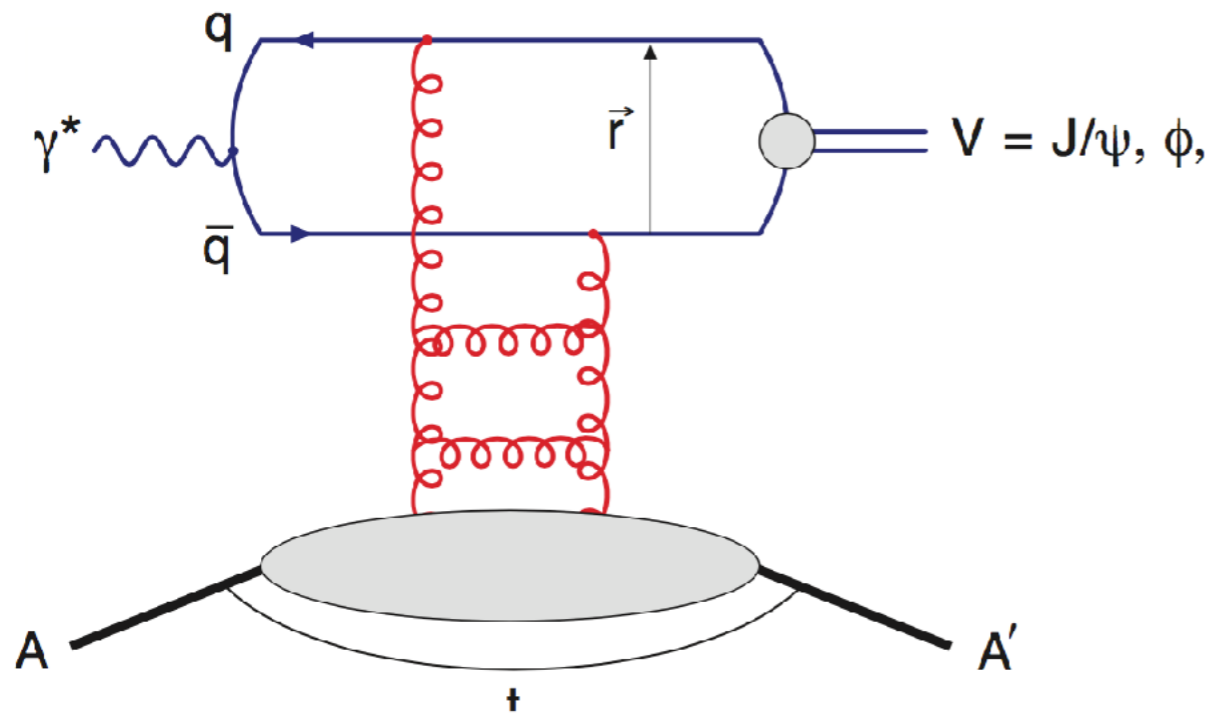
Zheng et al (2014)

Suppression of back-to-back hadron or jet correlation directly probes the (un-)saturated gluon distributions in nuclei,

Note that diffractive cross-sections are anticipated to be other sensitive quantities,

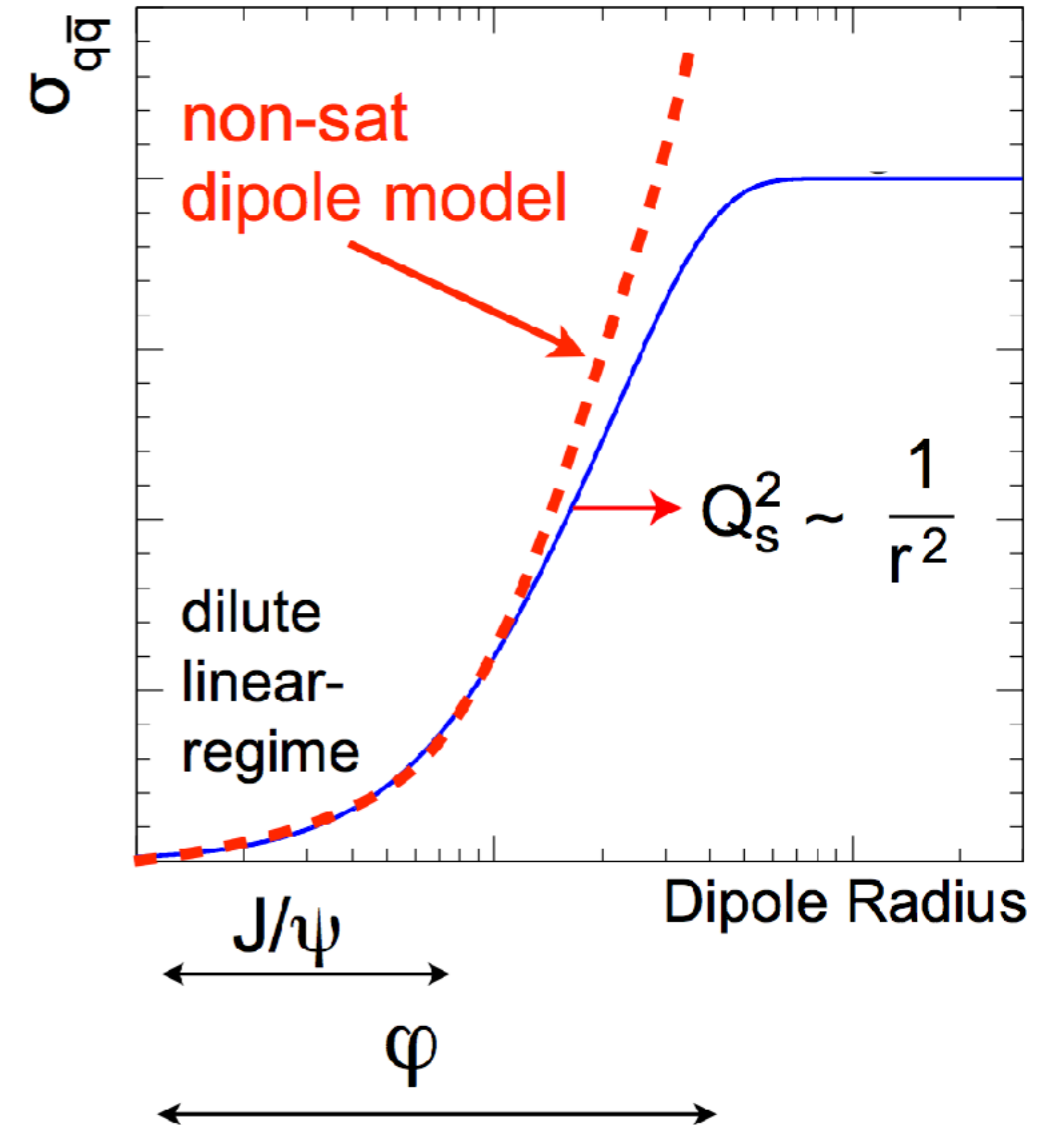
EIC - Exclusive Vector Mesons to probe Saturation

$$t = (\mathbf{p}_A - \mathbf{p}_{A'})^2 = (\mathbf{p}_{\text{VM}} + \mathbf{p}_{e'} - \mathbf{p}_e)^2$$

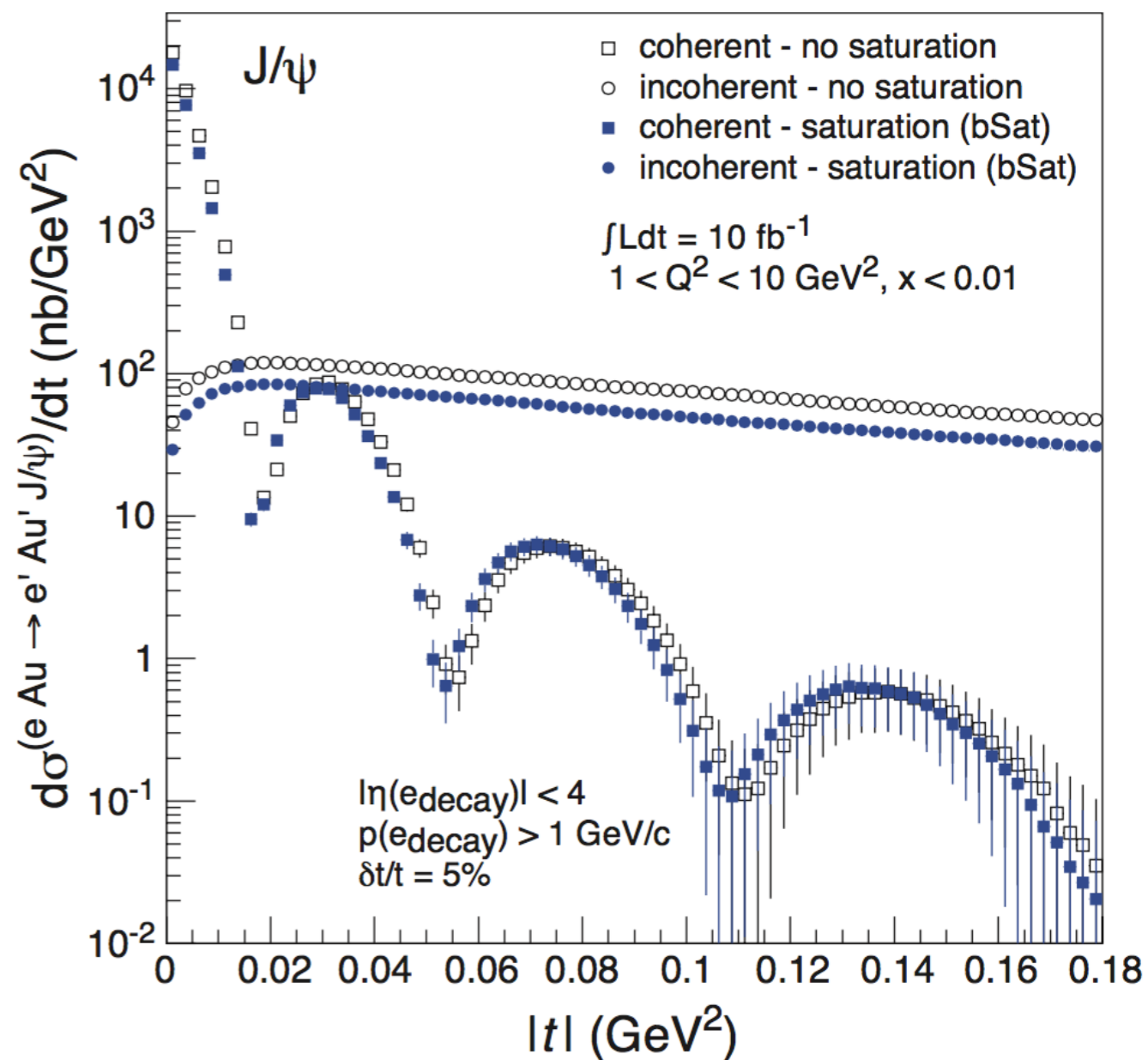
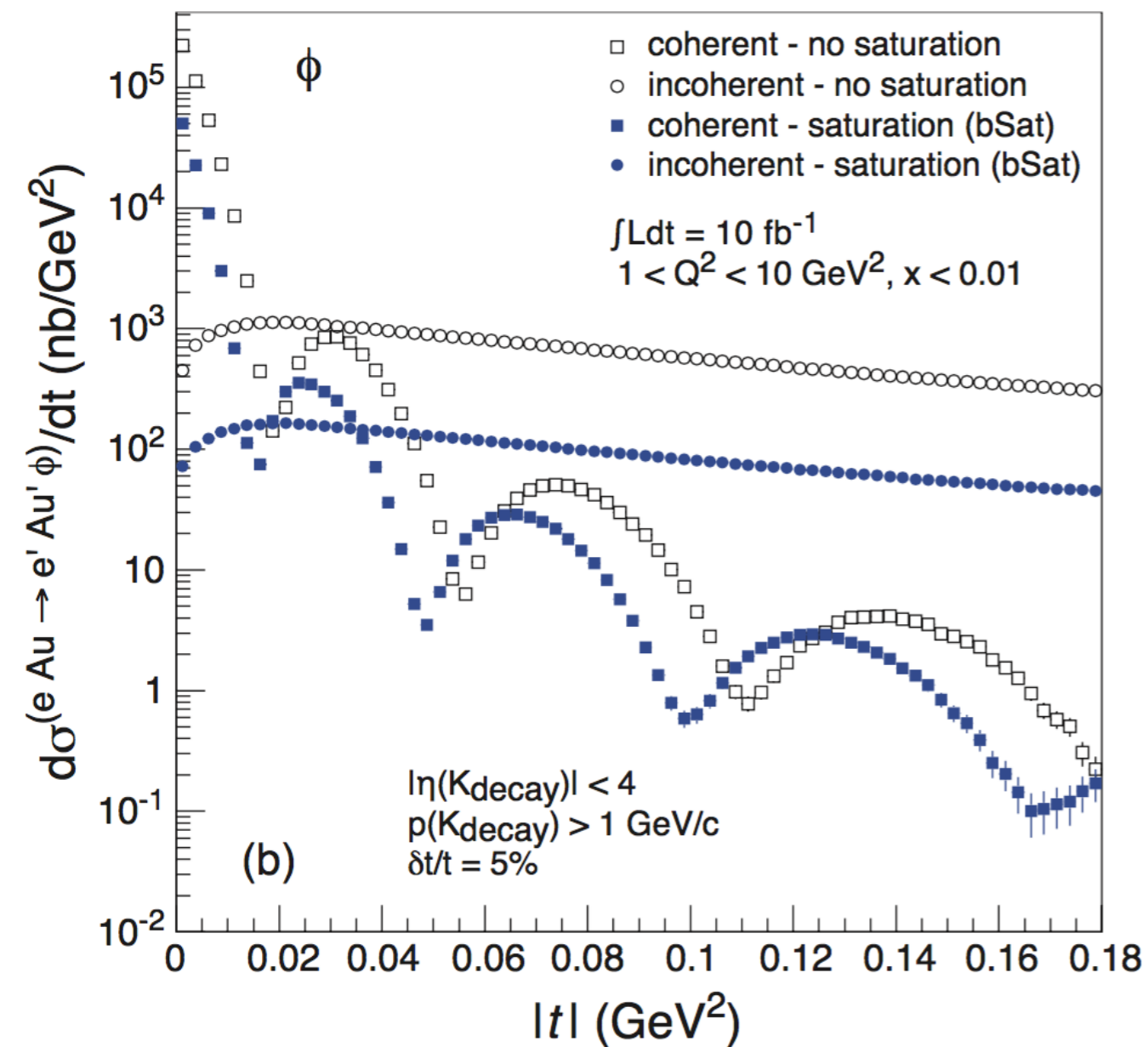


Nucleus escapes down the beampipe
(In)coherence tagged with ZDC

Dipole Cross-Section:



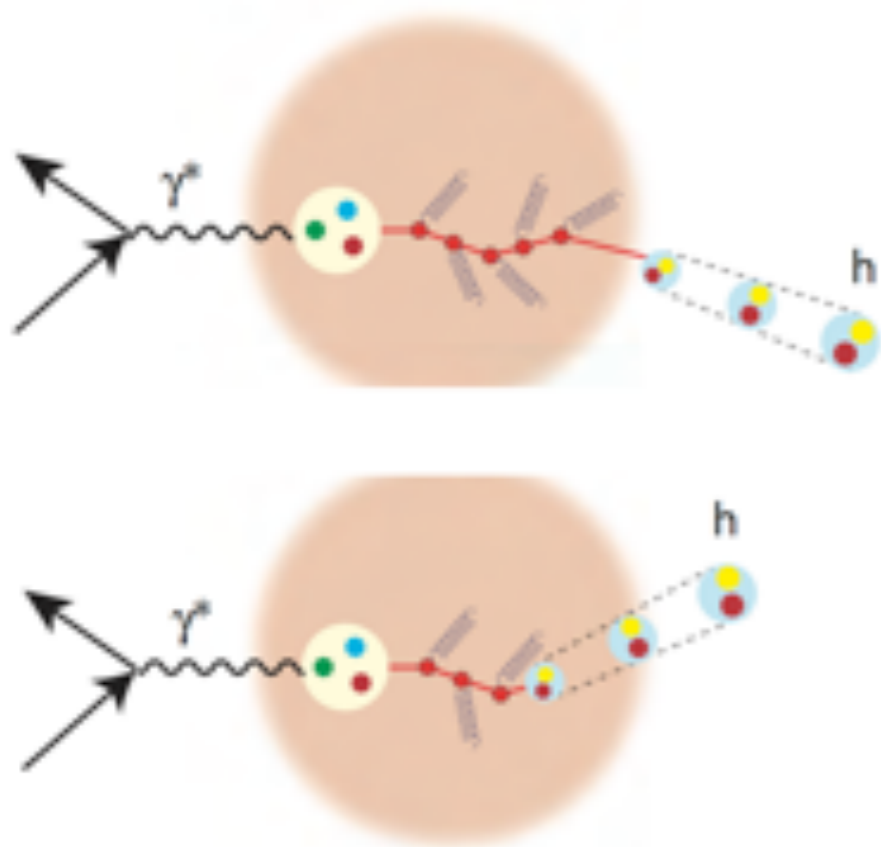
EIC - Exclusive Vector Mesons to probe Saturation



*Exclusive vector meson production is key to (all) imaging,
as is deeply virtual Compton scattering*

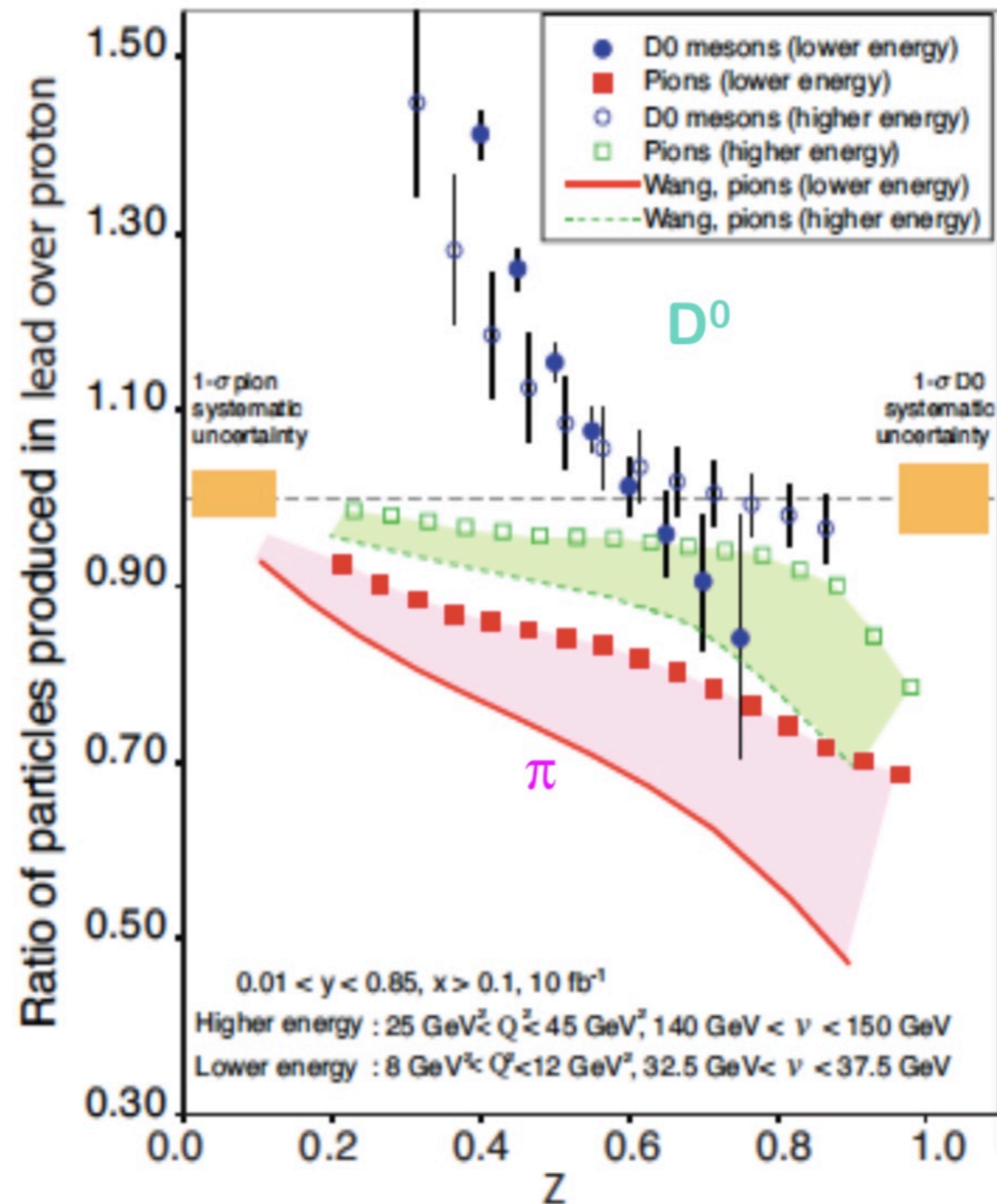
Experimentally among the most demanding on electron resolutions

EIC - SIDIS to study Emergence of Hadrons



Control of $\nu = \frac{Q^2}{2mx}$ and
medium length

Study mass-dependence via
charmed hadrons.

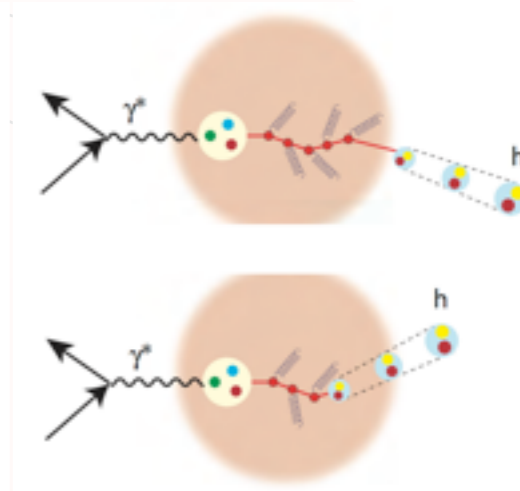
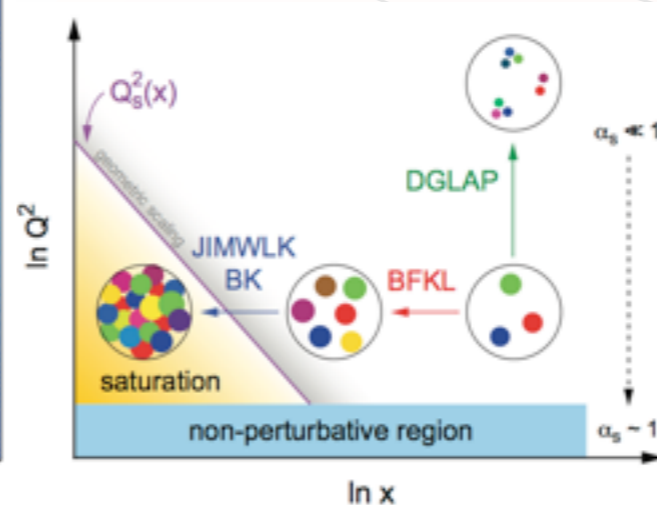
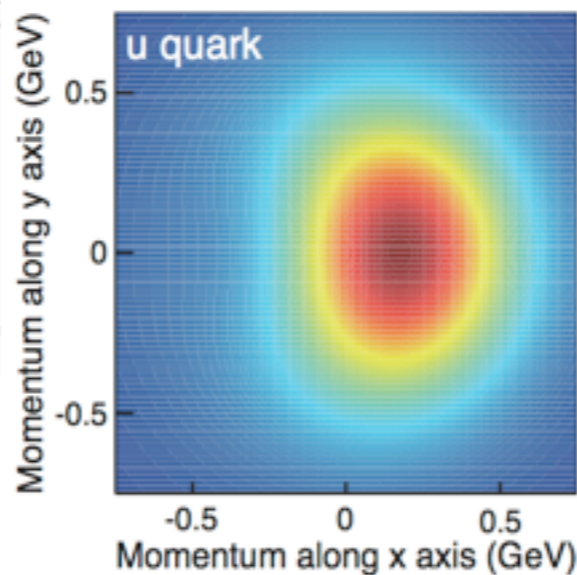
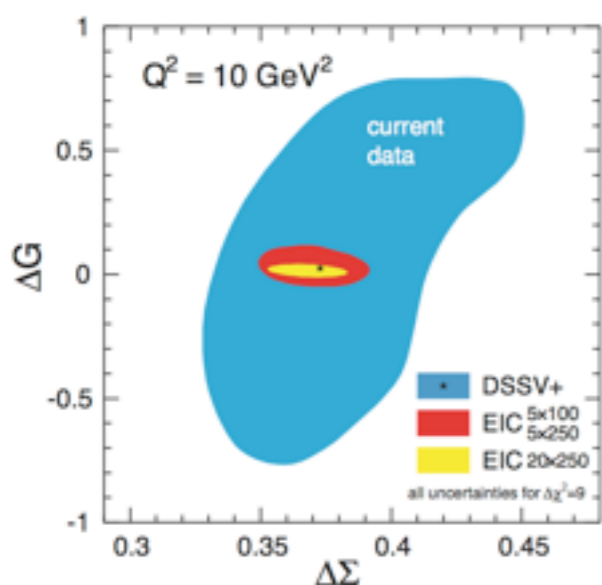


Promising developments with jet probes and their substructure — early days.

Closing Comments

EIC will address profound questions:

- How are the sea quarks and gluons, and their spins, distributed in space and momentum inside the nucleus?
- How does the nuclear environment affect the distribution of quarks and gluons and their interactions in nuclei?
- Where does the saturation of gluon densities set in?



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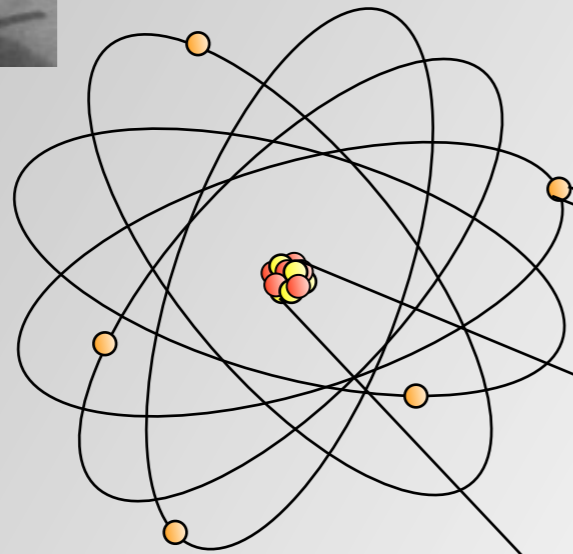
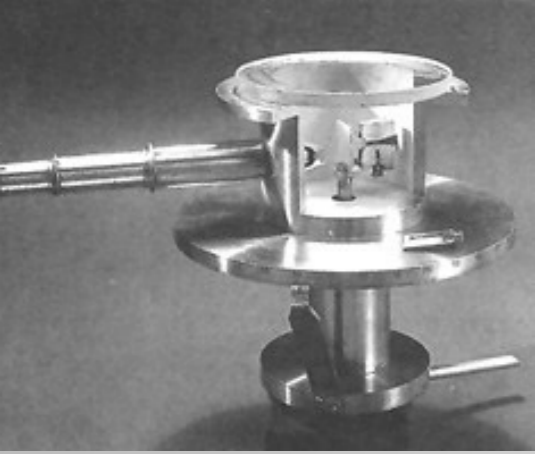
through **identified** measurements - inclusive, semi-inclusive, exclusive and diffractive - with quantified **impact**.

Relies crucially on theory and experiment, and accelerator-collider capabilities.

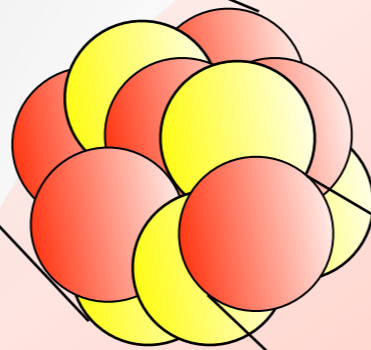
There is precedent for surprises in nature, provided you look.



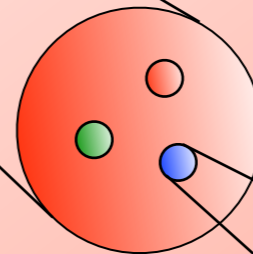
Thank you!



$\sim 10^{-10}$ m
 \sim keV



$\sim 10^{-14}$ m
 \sim MeV



$\sim 10^{-15}$ m
 \sim GeV

$< 10^{-18}$ m

