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# Spin Physics Detector at NICA as a universal facility for study of polarized and unpolarized gluon content of proton and deuteron.

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# THE **NICA** PROJECT AT JINR

**N**uclotron-based  
**I**on **C**ollider **f**Acility  
in the **J**oint **I**nstitute for  
**N**uclear **R**esearch (**JINR**),  
Dubna, Russia



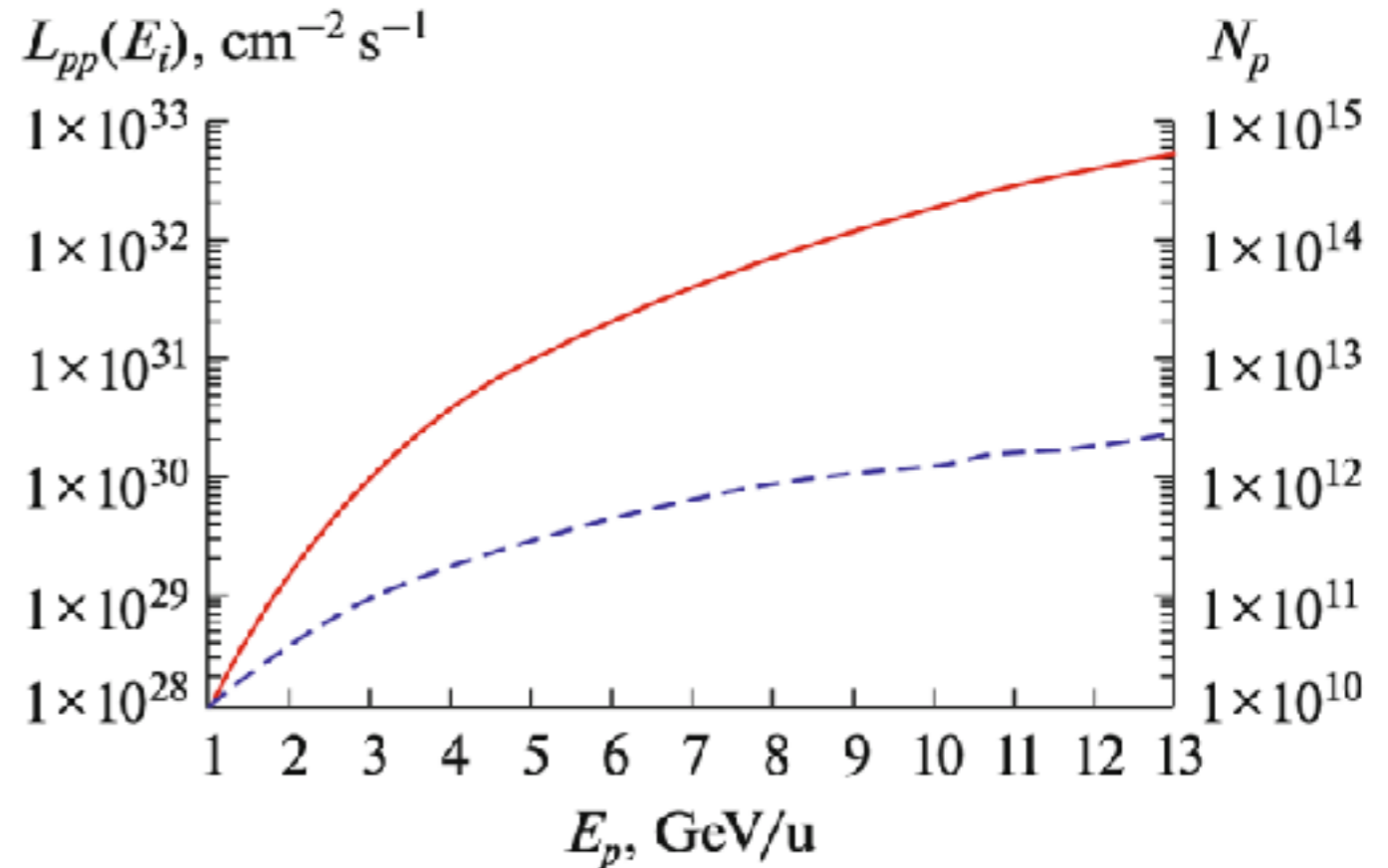
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Two interaction points:  
**MPD** - **M**ulti**P**urpose **D**etector  
for heavy ion physics  
**SPD** - **S**pin **P**hysics **D**etector for  
physics with polarized beams

# SPD - EXPERIMENTAL CONDITIONS

circumference	- 503 m,
number of collision points (IP)	- 2,
beta function $\beta_{\min}$ in the IP	- 0.35 m,
number of protons per bunch	- $\sim 1 \cdot 10^{12}$ ,
number of bunches	- 22,
RMS bunch length	- 0.5 m,
incoherent tune shift, $\Delta_{\text{Lasslett}}$	- 0.027,
beam-beam parameter, $\xi$	- 0.067,
beam emittance $\varepsilon_{\text{nrm}}$ (normalized) at 12.5 GeV, $\pi$ mm mrad	- 0.15.



*Beam energies:*

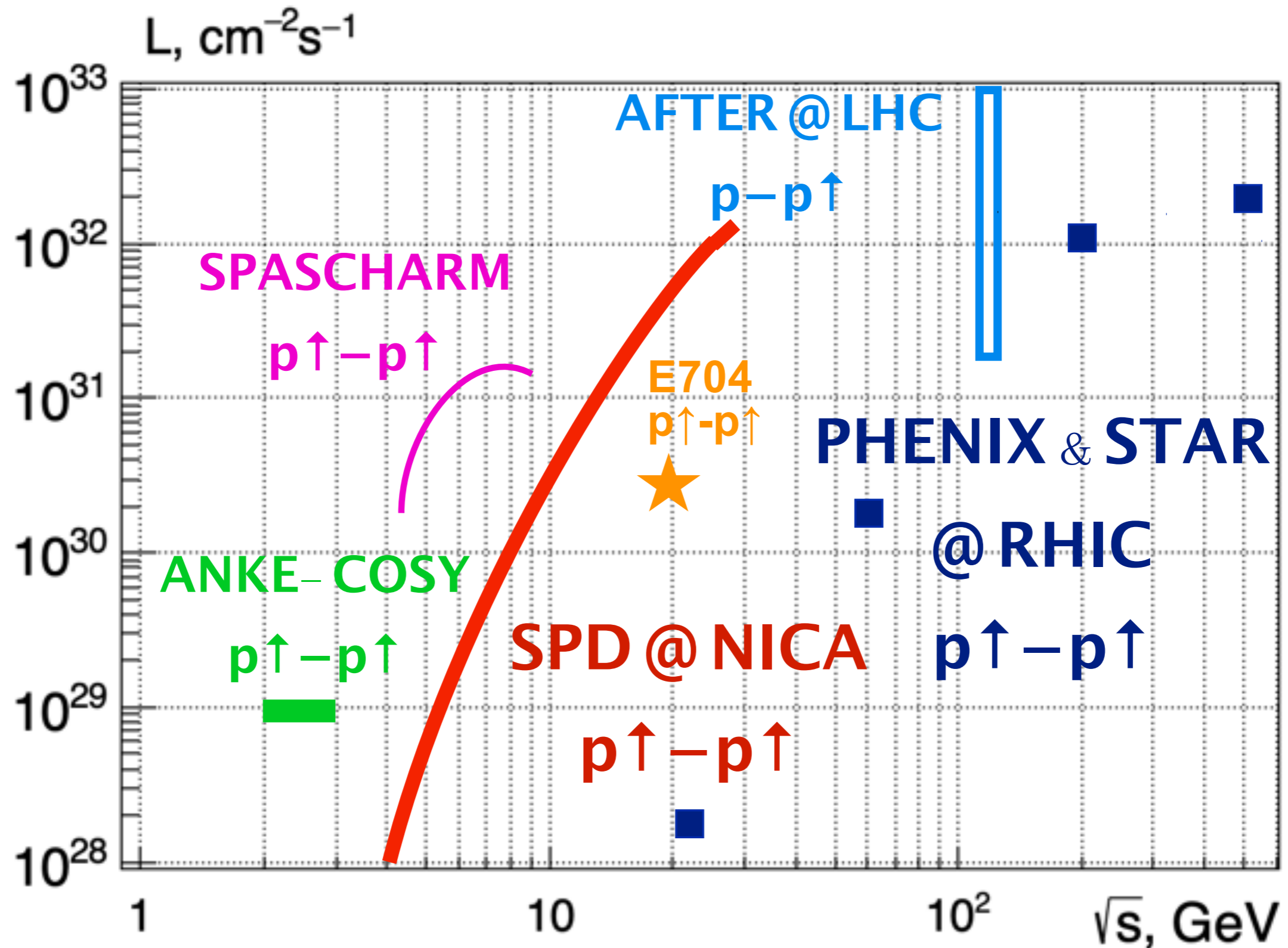
$p \uparrow p \uparrow (\sqrt{s_{pp}}) = 12 \div \geq 27 \text{ GeV}$  ( $5 \div \geq 12.6 \text{ GeV}$  of proton kinetic energy),  
 $d \uparrow d \uparrow (\sqrt{s_{NN}}) = 4 \div \geq 13.8 \text{ GeV}$  ( $2 \div \geq 5.9 \text{ GeV/u}$  of ion kinetic energy).

**Unique possibility!**

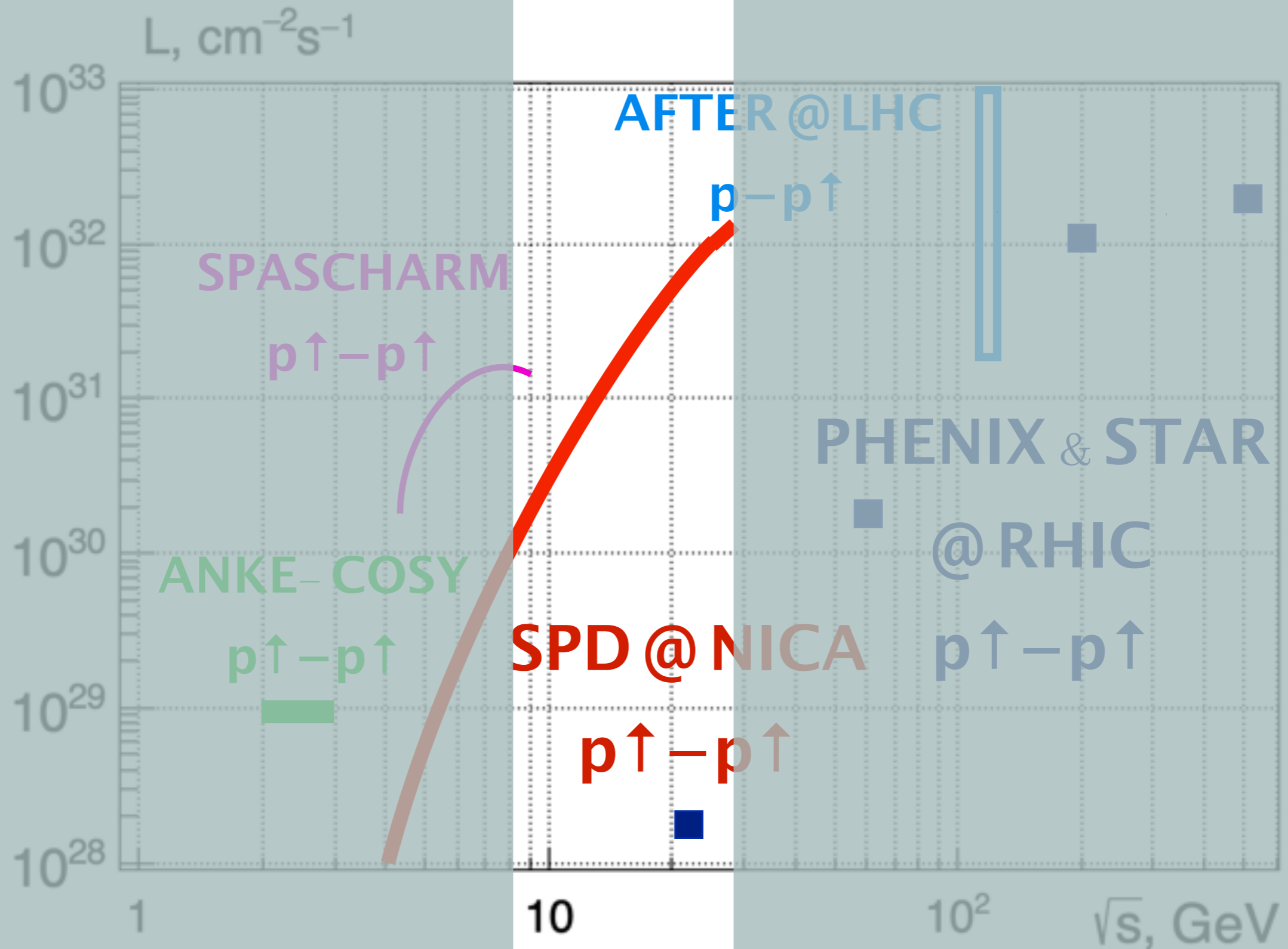
*All combinations of collisions are possible -*

*UU, LL, TT, UL, UT, LT*

# SPD - VS OTHER POLARIZED $p$ - $p$ EXPERIMENTS



# SPD - VS OTHER N-N EXPERIMENTS



# DRELL-YAN – FORMER KEY POINT OF THE SPD PHYSICS PROGRAM

## Drell-Yan

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_B dx_A d^2q_T d\Omega} \sim \frac{a^2}{4Q^2} \times$$

$$\left\{ \left[ (1 + \cos^2 \theta) F_{1V}^{\mu\nu} + \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi F_{3V}^{\mu\nu} \right] + S_{ab} \sin^2 \theta \sin 2\phi F_{1V}^{\mu\nu} + S_{bc} \sin^2 \theta \sin 2\phi F_{2V}^{\mu\nu} \right.$$

$$+ \left[ \tilde{S}_{1V}^{\mu\nu} \left[ \sin(\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*}) (1 + \cos^2 \theta) F_{1V}^{\mu\nu} + \sin^2 \theta \left( \sin(3\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{3V}^{\mu\nu} + \sin(\phi + \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{1V}^{\mu\nu} \right) \right] \right.$$

$$+ \left[ \tilde{S}_{2V}^{\mu\nu} \left[ \sin(\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*}) (1 + \cos^2 \theta) F_{2V}^{\mu\nu} + \sin^2 \theta \left( \sin(3\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{3V}^{\mu\nu} + \sin(\phi + \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{2V}^{\mu\nu} \right) \right] \right.$$

$$+ S_{ab} S_{bc} \left[ (1 + \cos^2 \theta) F_{1V}^{\mu\nu} + \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi F_{3V}^{\mu\nu} \right]$$

$$+ S_{ab} \left[ \tilde{S}_{1V}^{\mu\nu} \left[ \cos(\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*}) (1 + \cos^2 \theta) F_{1V}^{\mu\nu} + \sin^2 \theta \left( \cos(3\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{3V}^{\mu\nu} + \cos(\phi + \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{1V}^{\mu\nu} \right) \right] \right.$$

$$+ \left[ \tilde{S}_{2V}^{\mu\nu} \left[ \cos(\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*}) (1 + \cos^2 \theta) F_{2V}^{\mu\nu} + \sin^2 \theta \left( \cos(3\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{3V}^{\mu\nu} + \cos(\phi + \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{2V}^{\mu\nu} \right) \right] \right.$$

$$+ \left[ \tilde{S}_{3V}^{\mu\nu} \left[ (1 + \cos^2 \theta) \left( \cos(2\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*} - \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{1V}^{\mu\nu} + \cos(\phi_{\gamma^*} - \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{3V}^{\mu\nu} \right) \right] \right.$$

$$+ \left[ \tilde{S}_{4V}^{\mu\nu} \left[ \sin^2 \theta \left( \cos(\phi_{\gamma^*} + \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{1V}^{\mu\nu} + \cos(4\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*} - \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{3V}^{\mu\nu} \right) \right] \right.$$

$$\left. \left. + \left[ \tilde{S}_{5V}^{\mu\nu} \left[ \sin^2 \theta \left( \cos(2\phi - \phi_{\gamma^*} + \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{2V}^{\mu\nu} + \cos(2\phi + \phi_{\gamma^*} - \phi_{\gamma^*}) F_{3V}^{\mu\nu} \right) \right] \right] \right\}$$

**Fxx - structure functions connected to PDFs**  
**~ 10<sup>5</sup> events with M > 4 GeV per year**

## Drell-Yan

**Sivers**  
**Boer-Mulders**

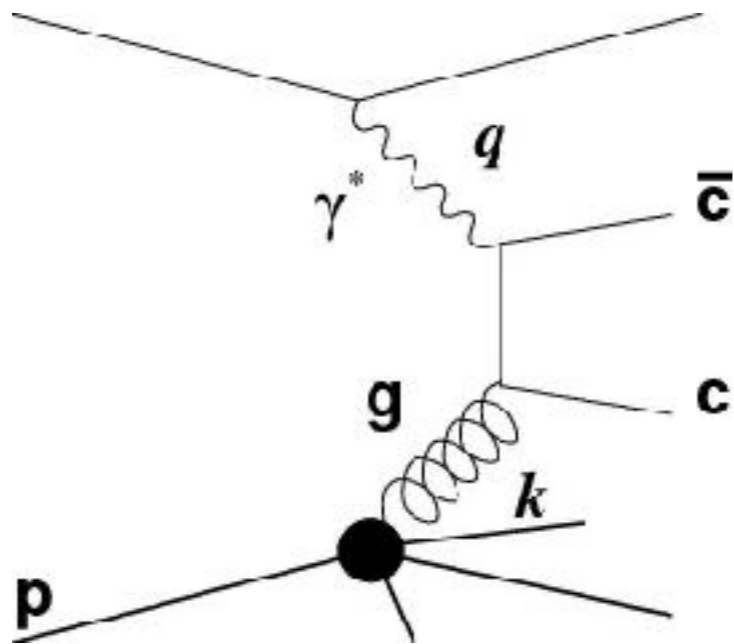
**We have unique possibility to study semi-inclusive and exclusive DY!**

*In spite of very competitive DY physics program we will not be able to extract experimentally the DY signal from combinatorial background.*

# WHY GLUONS?

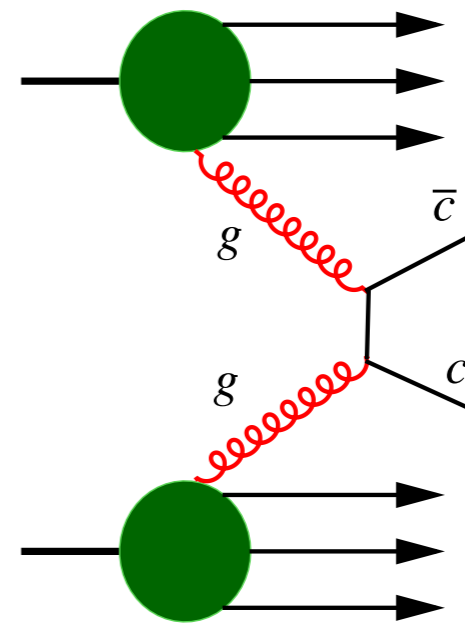
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*Without DY we cannot compete with SIDIS experiments in the study of the quark content of the nucleon*



**SIDIS**

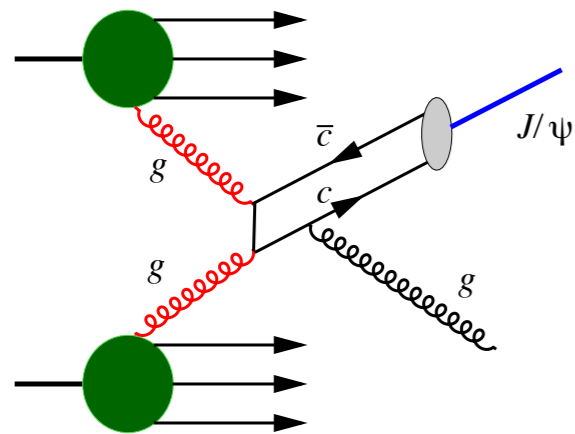
$$\sigma \sim \alpha^2 \alpha_s$$



**Hadroproduction**

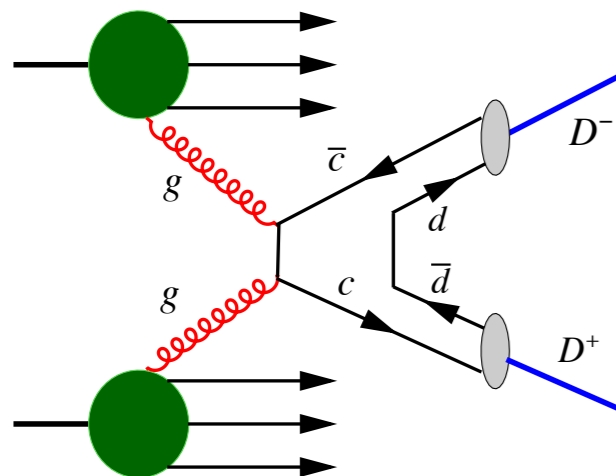
$$\sigma \sim \alpha_s^2$$

# GLUON PROBES AT SPD



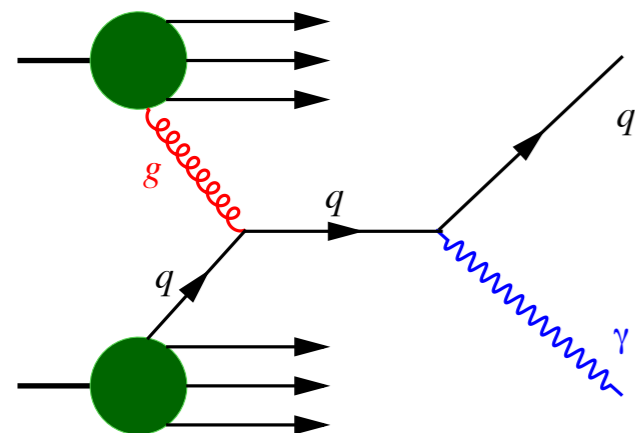
Sharp signal  
Relatively large cross section

Model-dependent probability for  $c\bar{c} \rightarrow J/\psi$



Largest cross section

Challenging experimental requirements  
Model-dependent fragmentation functions

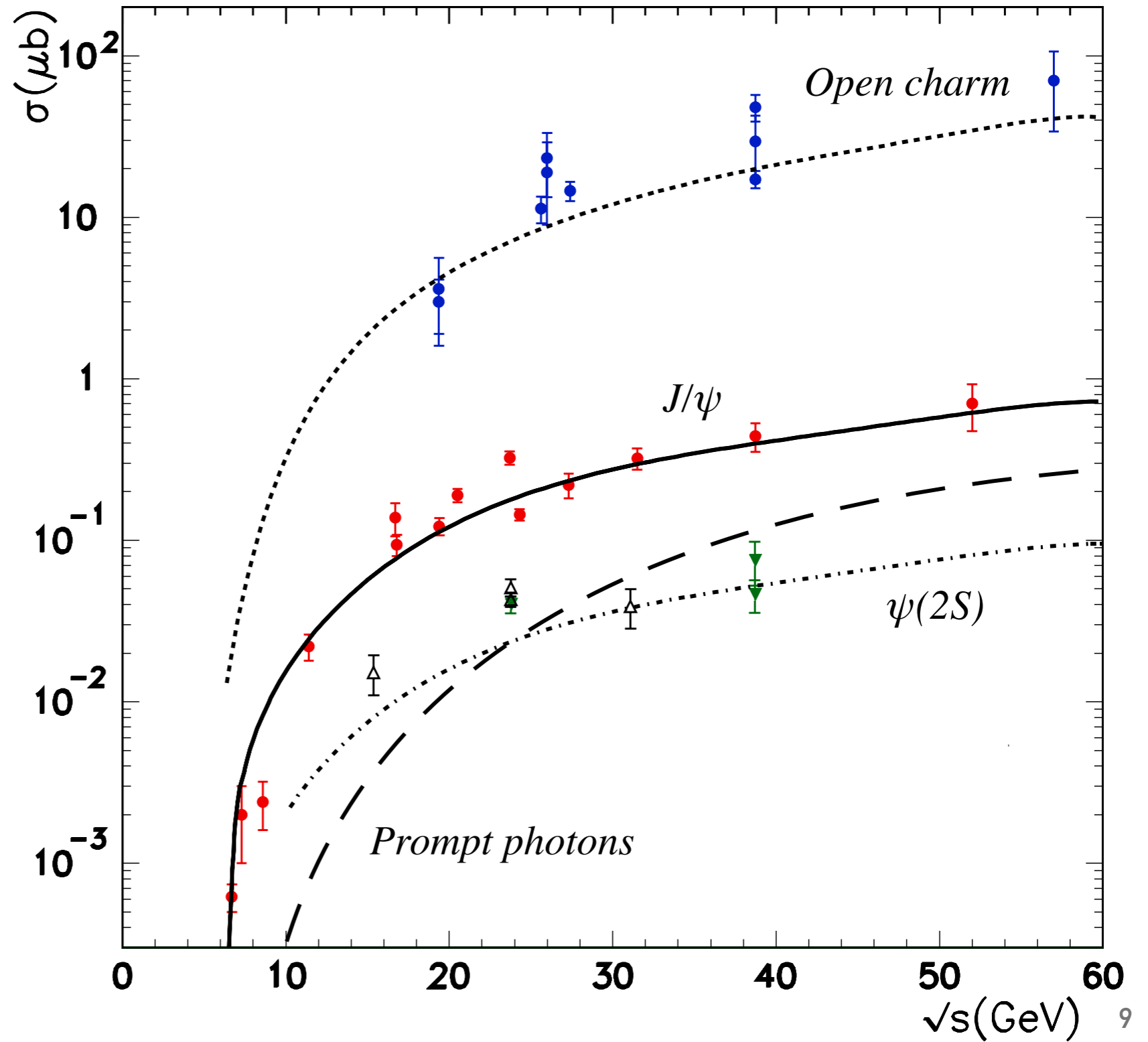
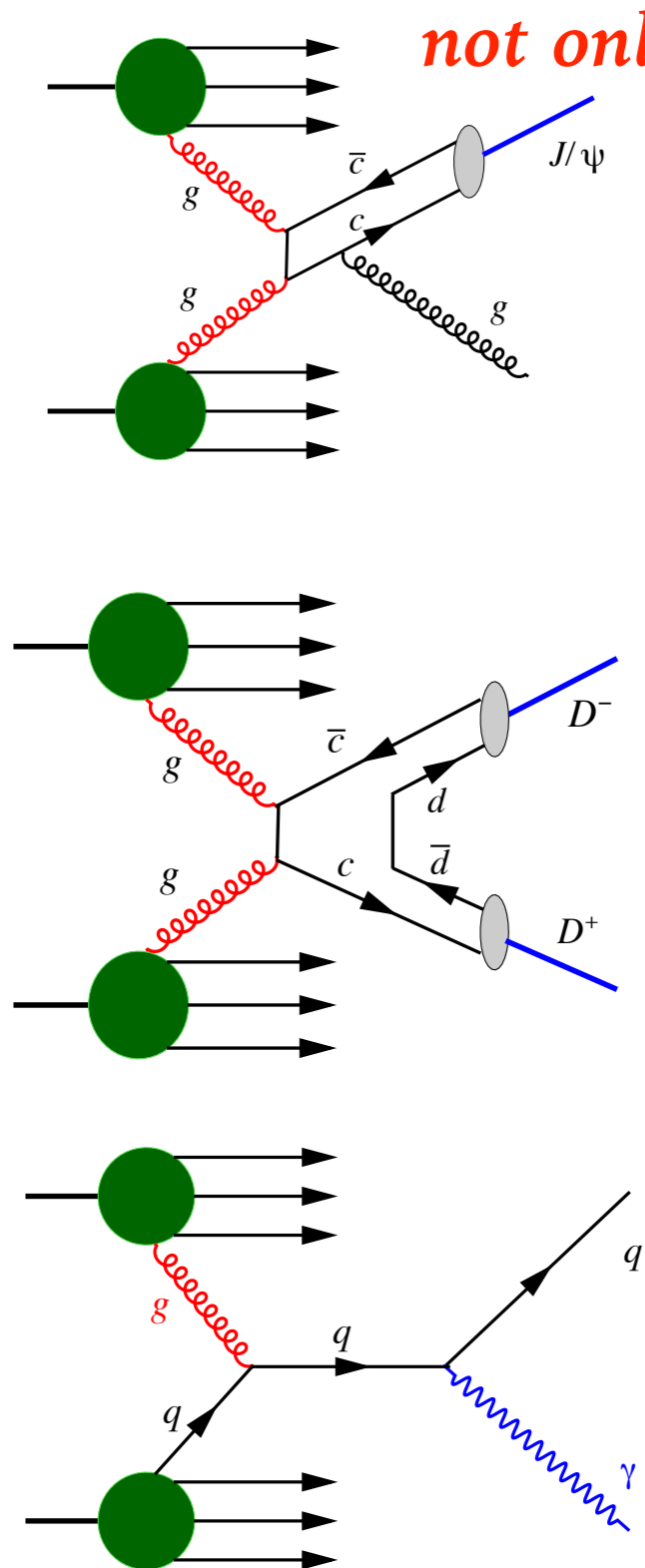


Almost no fragmentation

Strong background at low  $p_T$



# GLUON PROBES AT SPD



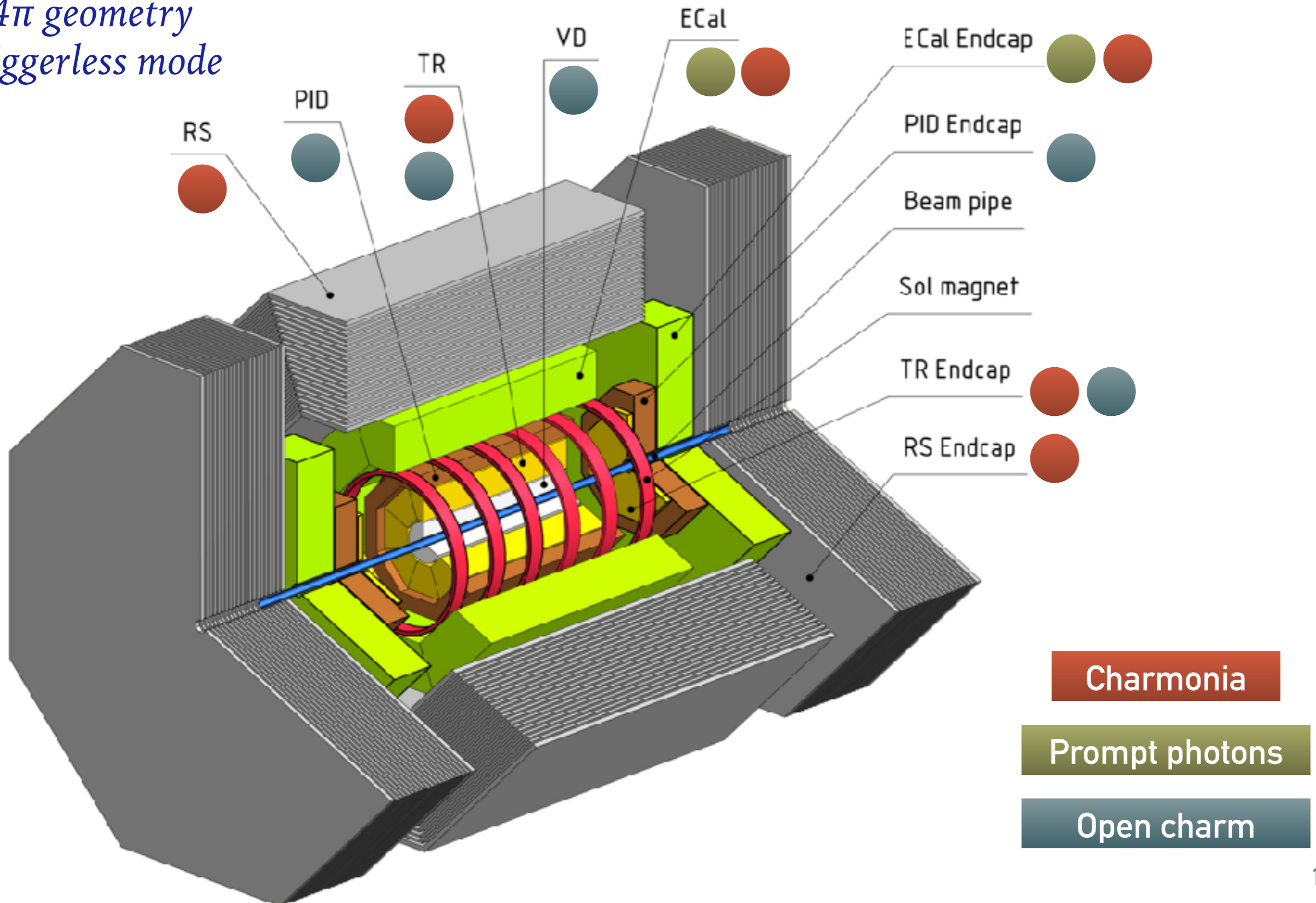
# EXPECTED STATISTICS AFTER 1 YEAR OF DATA TAKING ( $10^7$ s)

Probe	$\sigma_{27\text{GeV}},$ nb ( $\times$ BF)	$\sigma_{13.5\text{GeV}},$ nb ( $\times$ BF)	$N_{27\text{GeV}},$ $10^6$	$N_{13.5\text{GeV}}$ $10^6$
Prompt- $\gamma$ ( $p_T > 3$ GeV/c)	35	2	35	0.2
$J/\psi \rightarrow$ $\mu^+ \mu^-$	200 12	60 3.6	12	0.36
$\psi(3686) \rightarrow$ $J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \pi^+ \pi^-$ $\mu^+ \mu^-$	25 0.5 0.2	5 0.1 0.04	0.5 0.2	0.01 0.004
Open charm: $D\bar{D}$ pairs	$1 \times 10^4$	1300	40	0.6
Single $D$ -mesons				
$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^- \pi^+$	940	120	940	12
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$	400	52	400	5.2

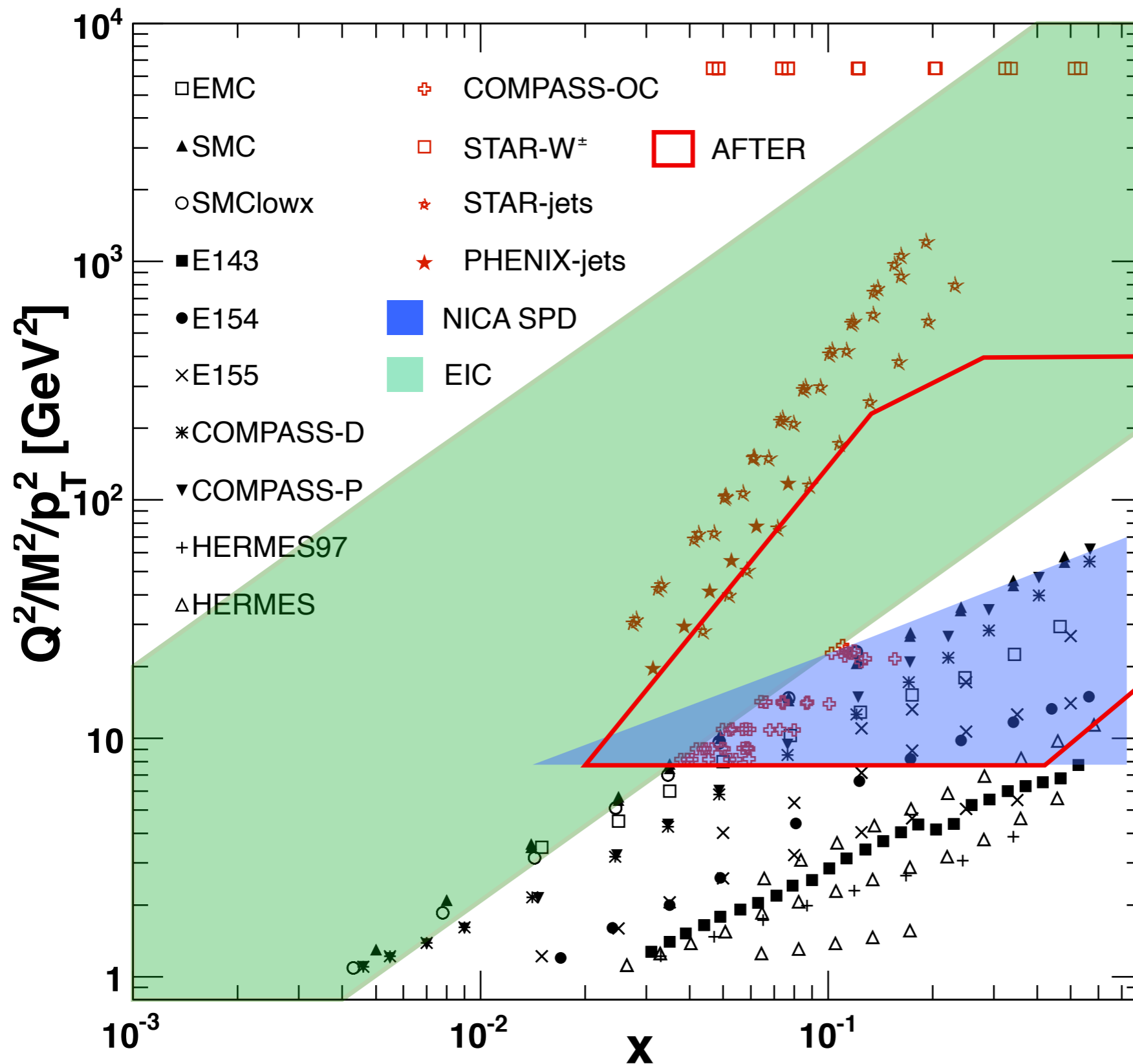
*Drell-Yan* ( $M > 4$  GeV) ( $\mu\mu$ )      0.1      0.005      0.1      0.0005

# WHAT SPD HAS FOR OPERATION WITH SUCH PROBES?

*~4π geometry*  
*Triggerless mode*



# MAIN PLAYERS IN POLARIZED GLUON PHYSICS



*SPD can cover this range for polarised gluon studies in  $p^\uparrow$ - $p^\uparrow$  interactions!*

*Open charm  
charmonia*

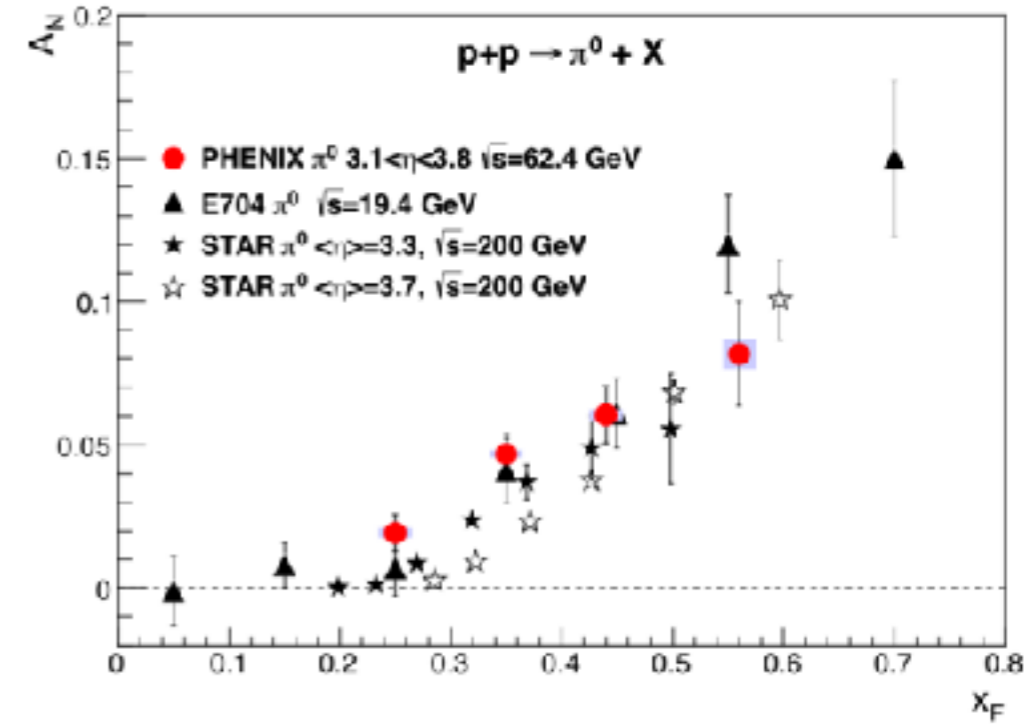
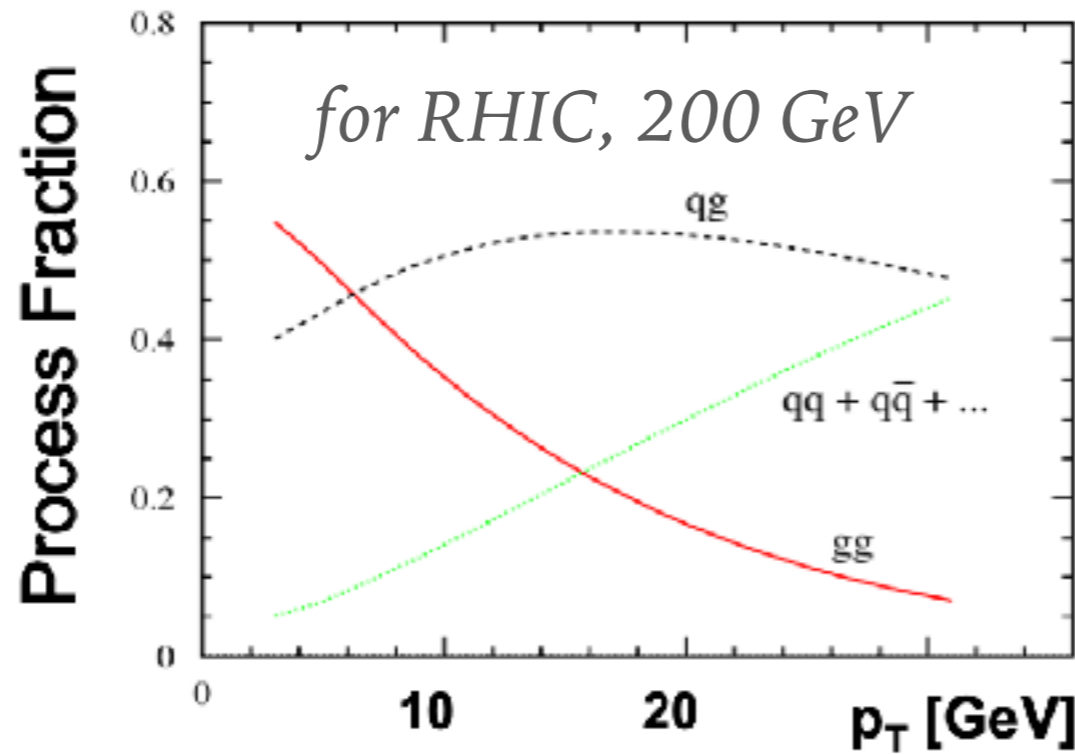
*high- $p_T$  prompt photons*

# MAIN PLAYERS IN POLARIZED GLUON PHYSICS

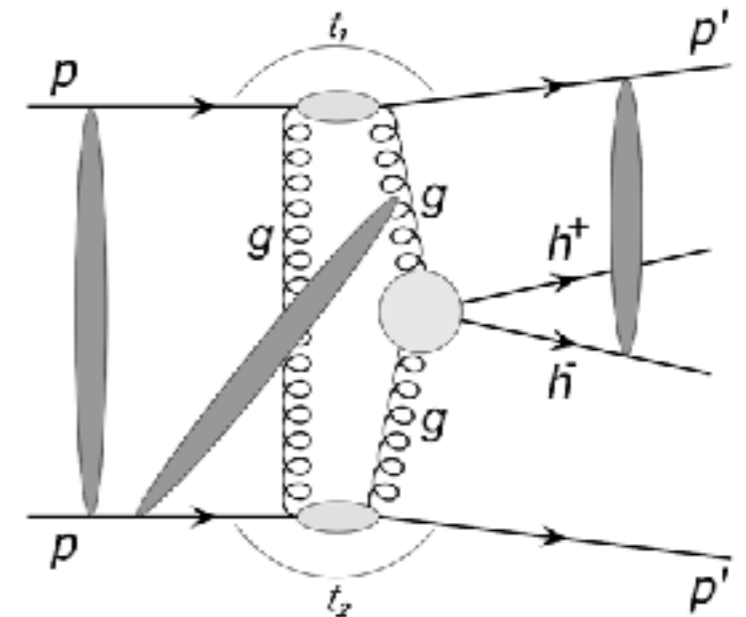
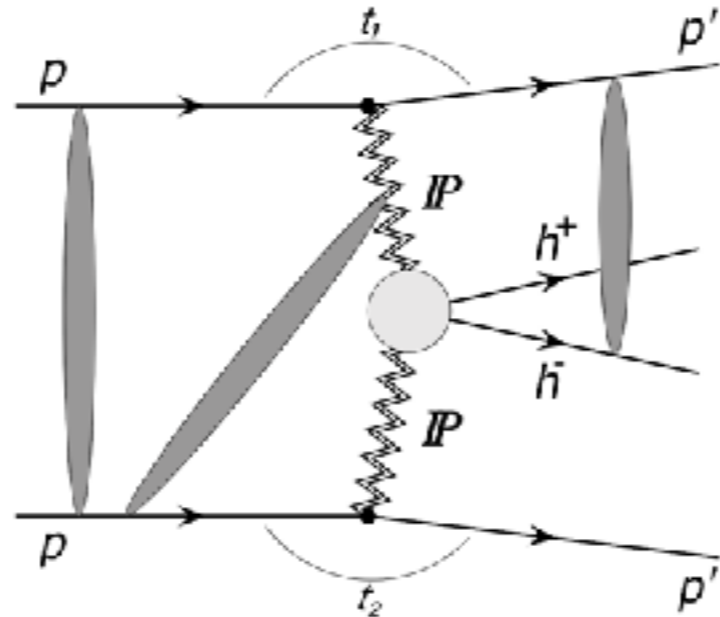
Experimental facility	SPD @NICA	RHIC	EIC	AFTER @LHC
Scientific center	JINR	BNL	BNL	CERN
Operation mode	collider	collider	collider	fixed target
Colliding particles & polarization	$p^\uparrow-p^\uparrow$ $d^\uparrow-d^\uparrow$	$p^\uparrow-p^\uparrow$	$e^\uparrow-A^\uparrow$	$p-p^\uparrow, d^\uparrow, A$
Center-of-mass energy $\sqrt{s}$ , GeV	$\leq 27$ ( $p-p$ ) $\leq 13.5$ ( $d-d$ )	63, 200, 500	20-140 ( $ep$ )	115
Max. luminosity, $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$\sim 1$ ( $p-p$ ) $\sim 0.1$ ( $d-d$ )	2	1000	up to $\sim 10$ ( $p-p$ )
Physics run	>2025	running	>2030	>2025

# OTHER PROBES ?

$$pp \rightarrow \pi^0 X$$



Central production



There is no detailed studies for our energies

but we will have sizable statistics at SPD for sure<sub>4</sub>

# GLUON PDFs

Unpolarized gluons at high  $x$  in proton and deuteron

Gluon helicity

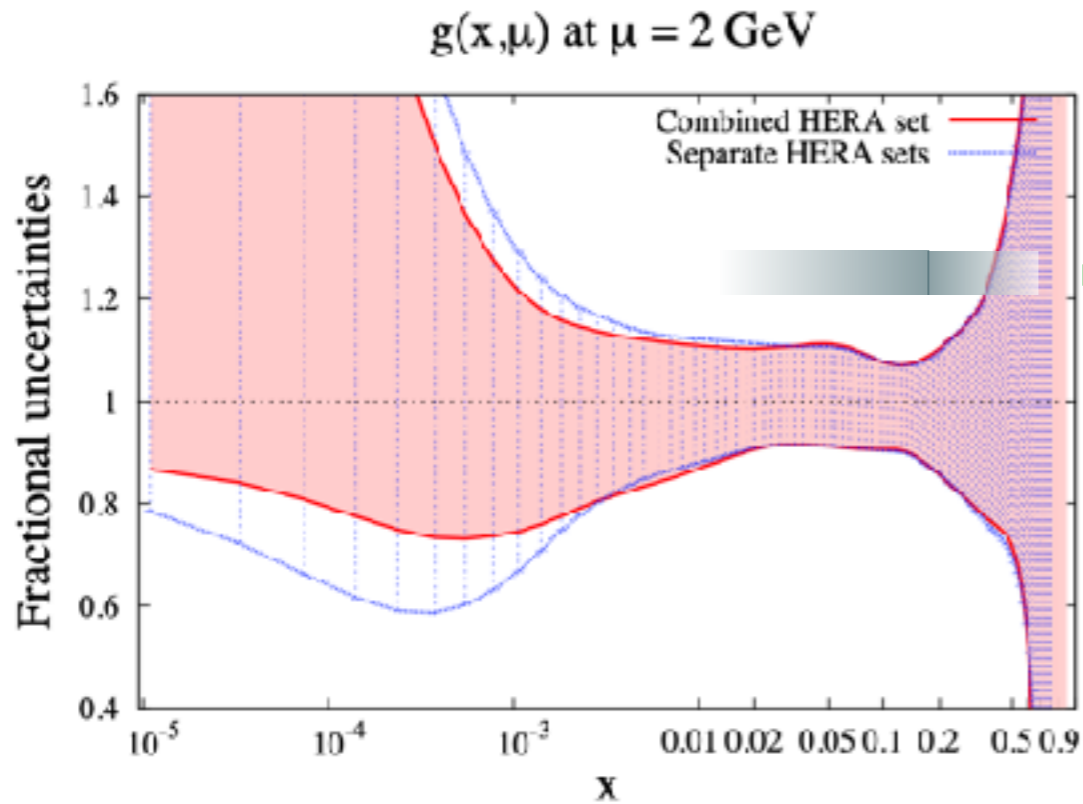
Gluon Boer-Mulders function

<b>GLUONS</b>	<i>unpolarized</i>	<i>circular</i>	<i>linear</i>
U	$f_1^g$		$h_1^{\perp g}$
L		$g_{1L}^g$	$h_{1L}^{\perp g}$
T	$f_{1T}^{\perp g}$	$g_{1T}^g$	$h_{1T}^g, h_{1T}^{\perp g}$

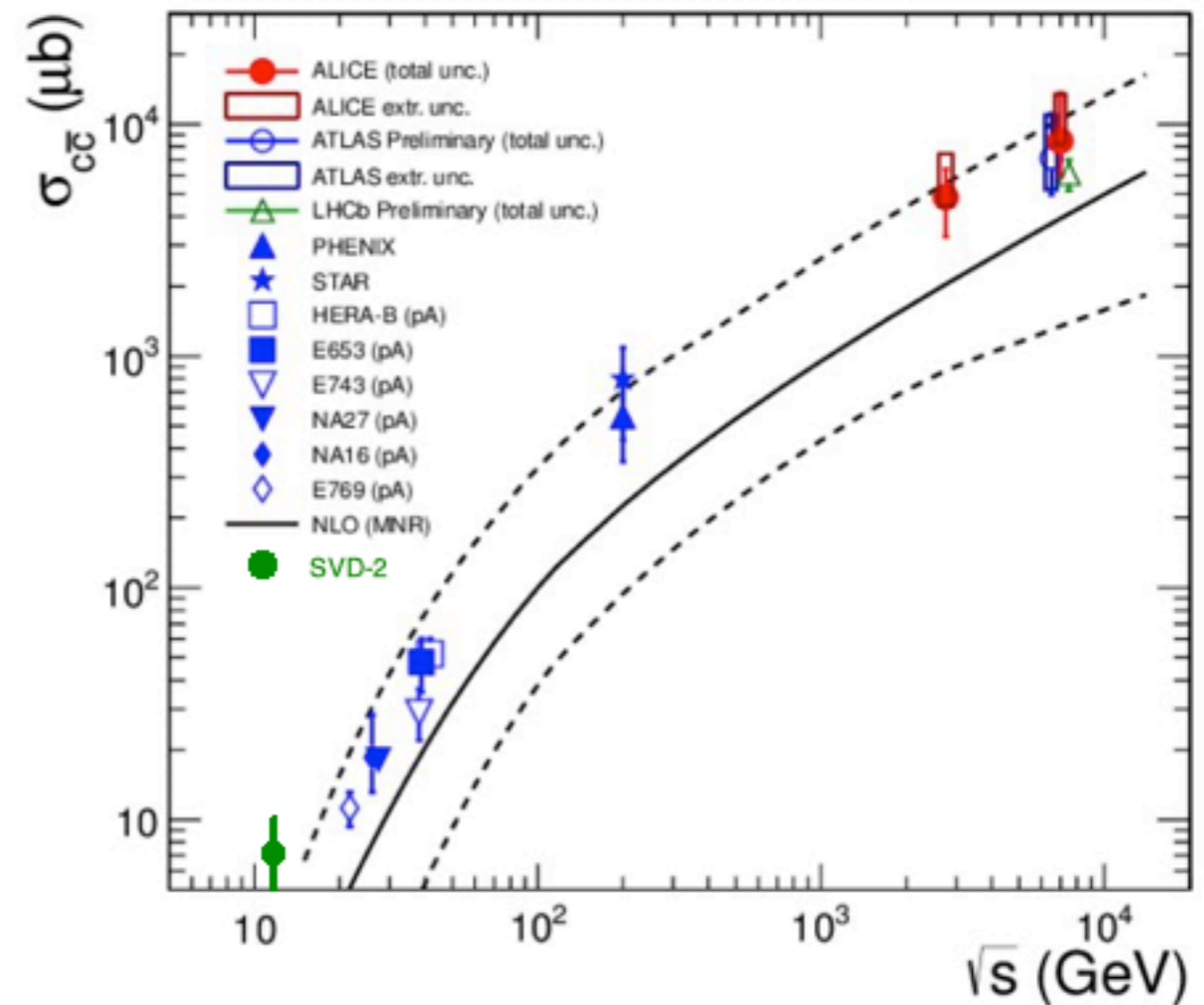
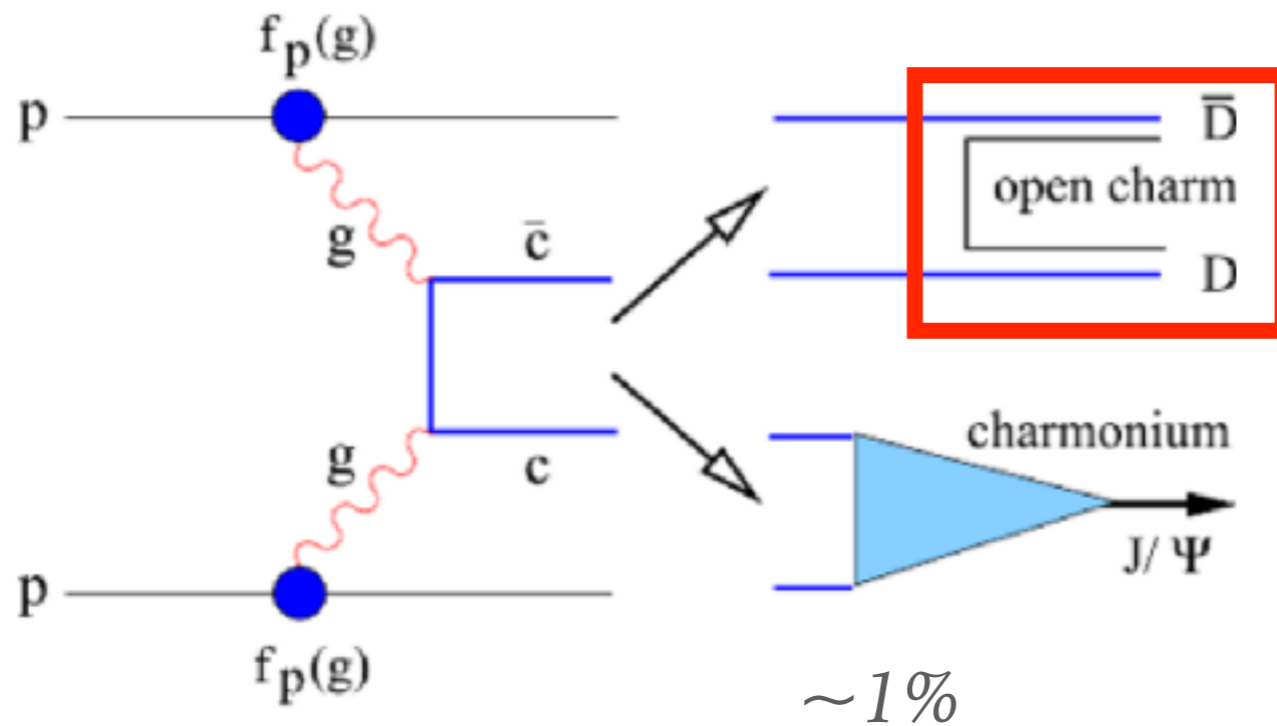
Gluon Sivers function

Gluon transversity in deuteron

# UNPOLARIZED GLUONS IN PROTON AT HIGH $x$



→ *Good opportunity for SPD*



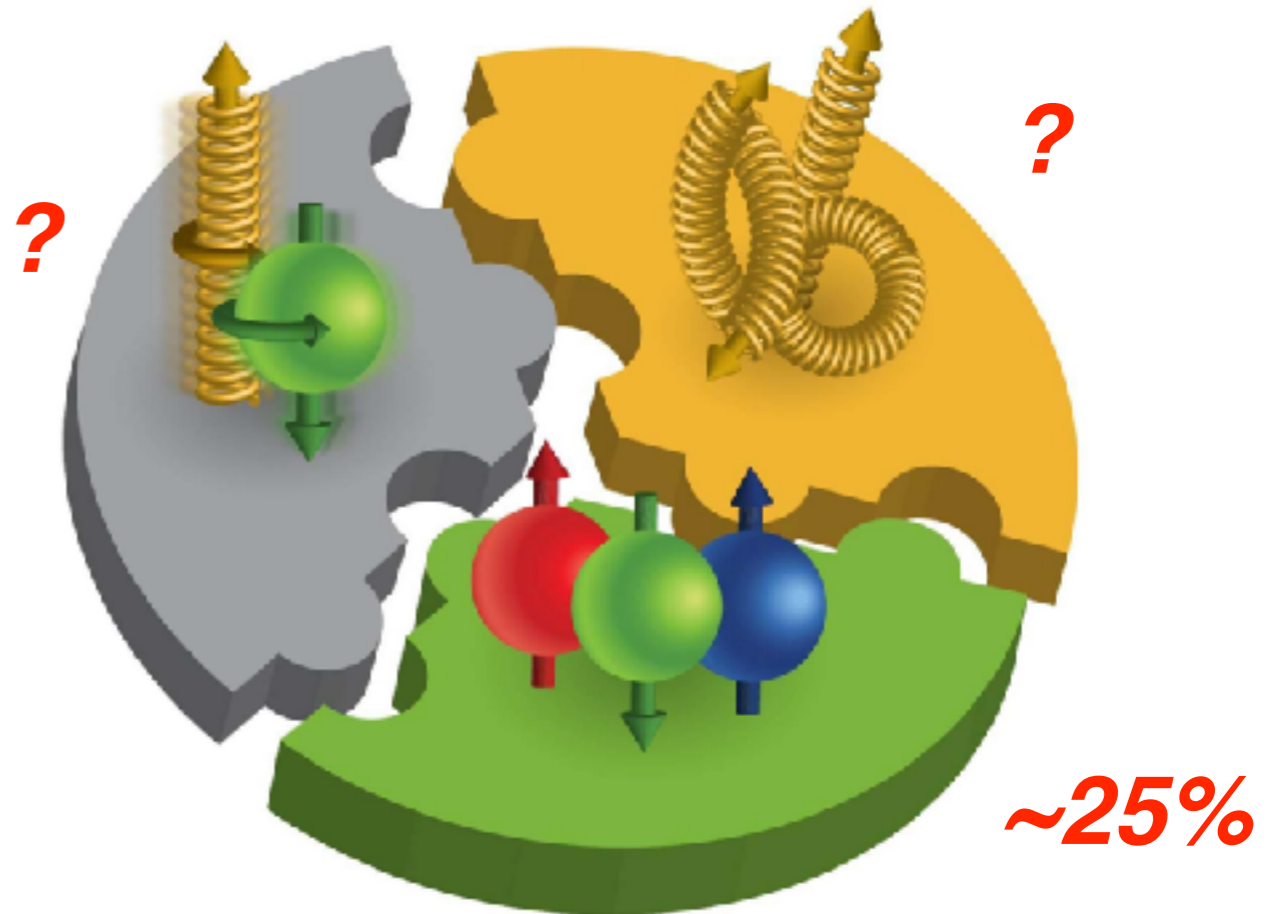
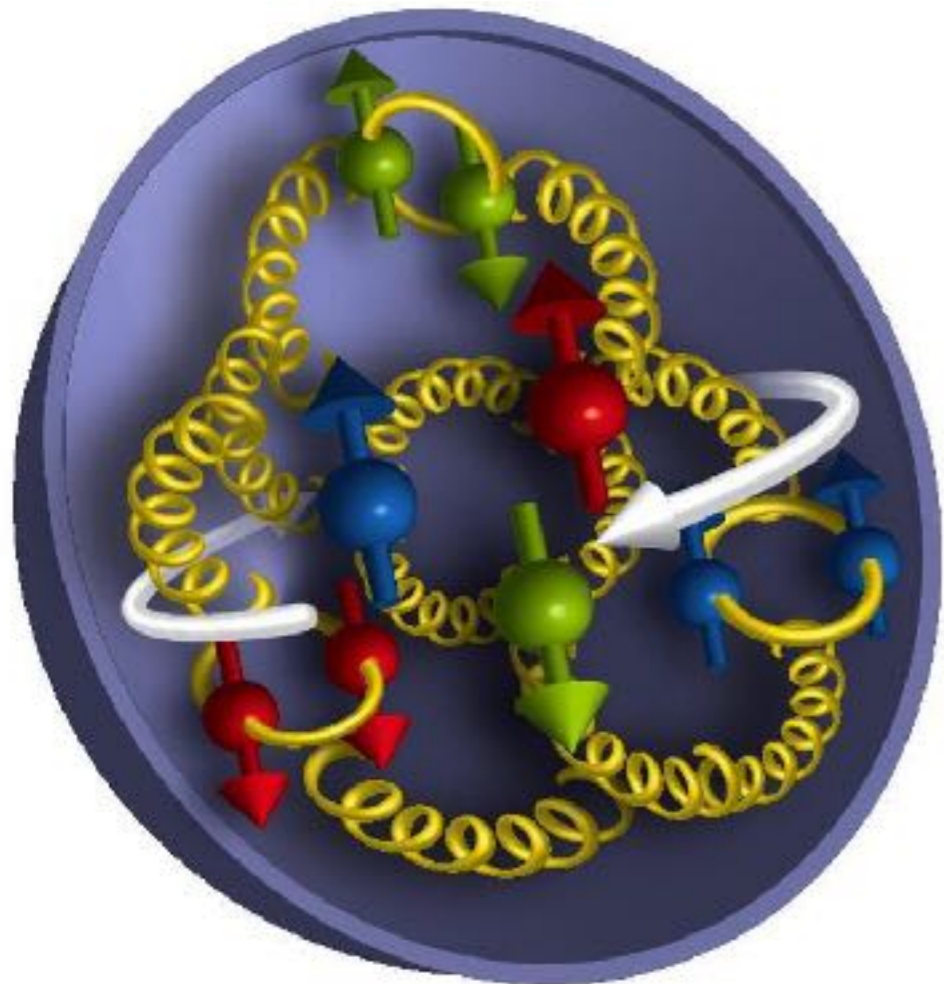


# GLUON HELICITY FUNCTION $\Delta g(x)$ : SPIN CRISIS

$\Delta g(x)$  :

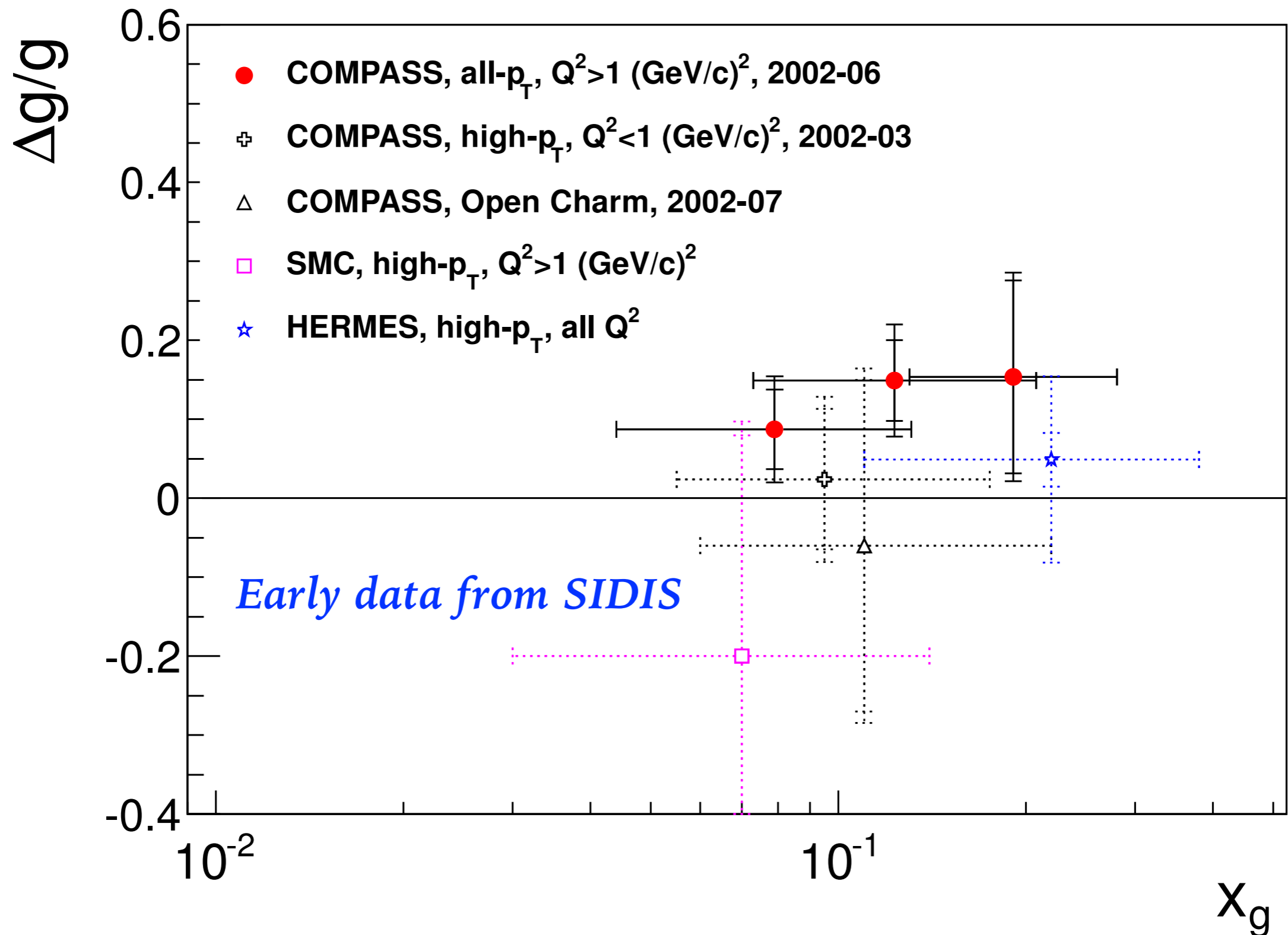


$$\Delta G = \int_0^1 \Delta g(x) dx$$



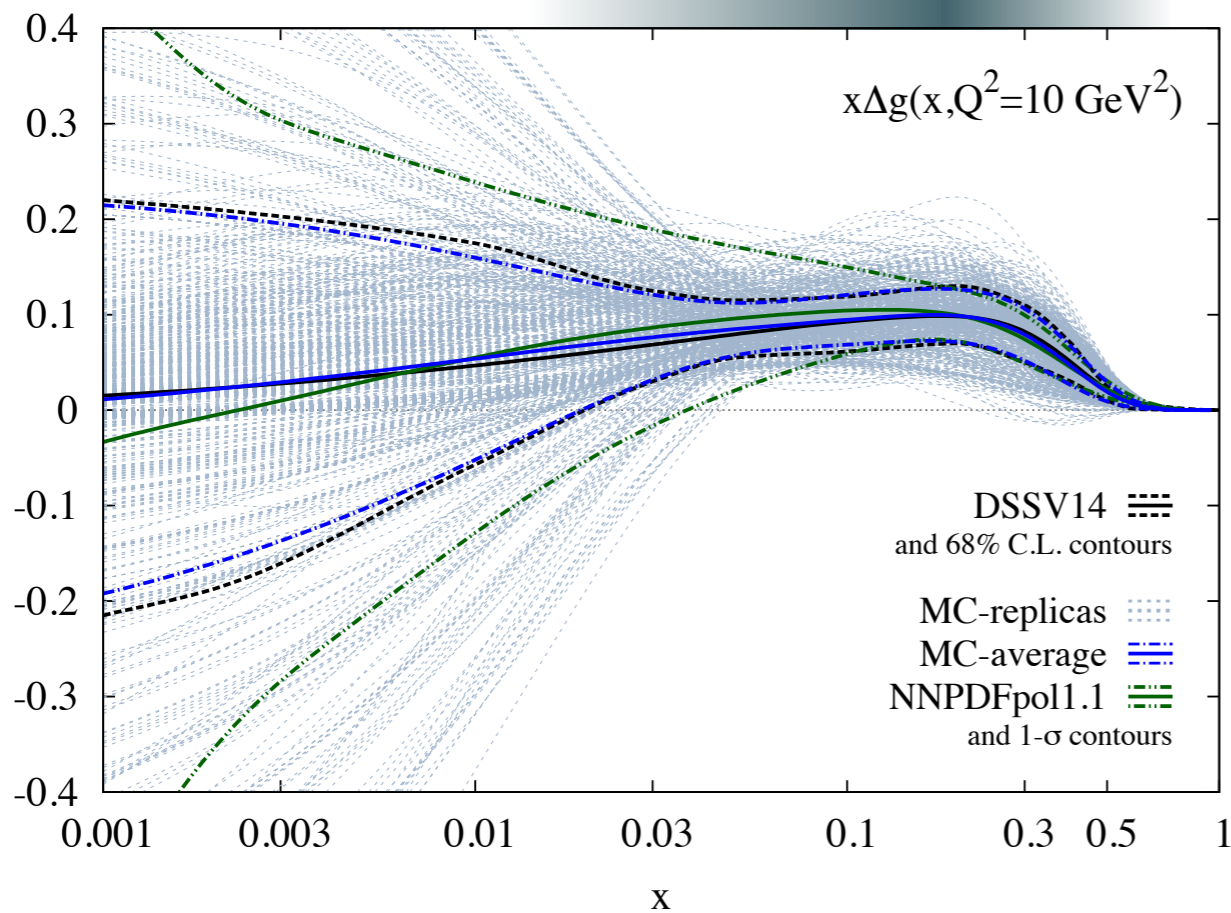
$$S_N = 1/2 = 1/2 \Delta \Sigma + \Delta G + L$$

# GLUON HELICITY FUNCTION $\Delta g(x)$



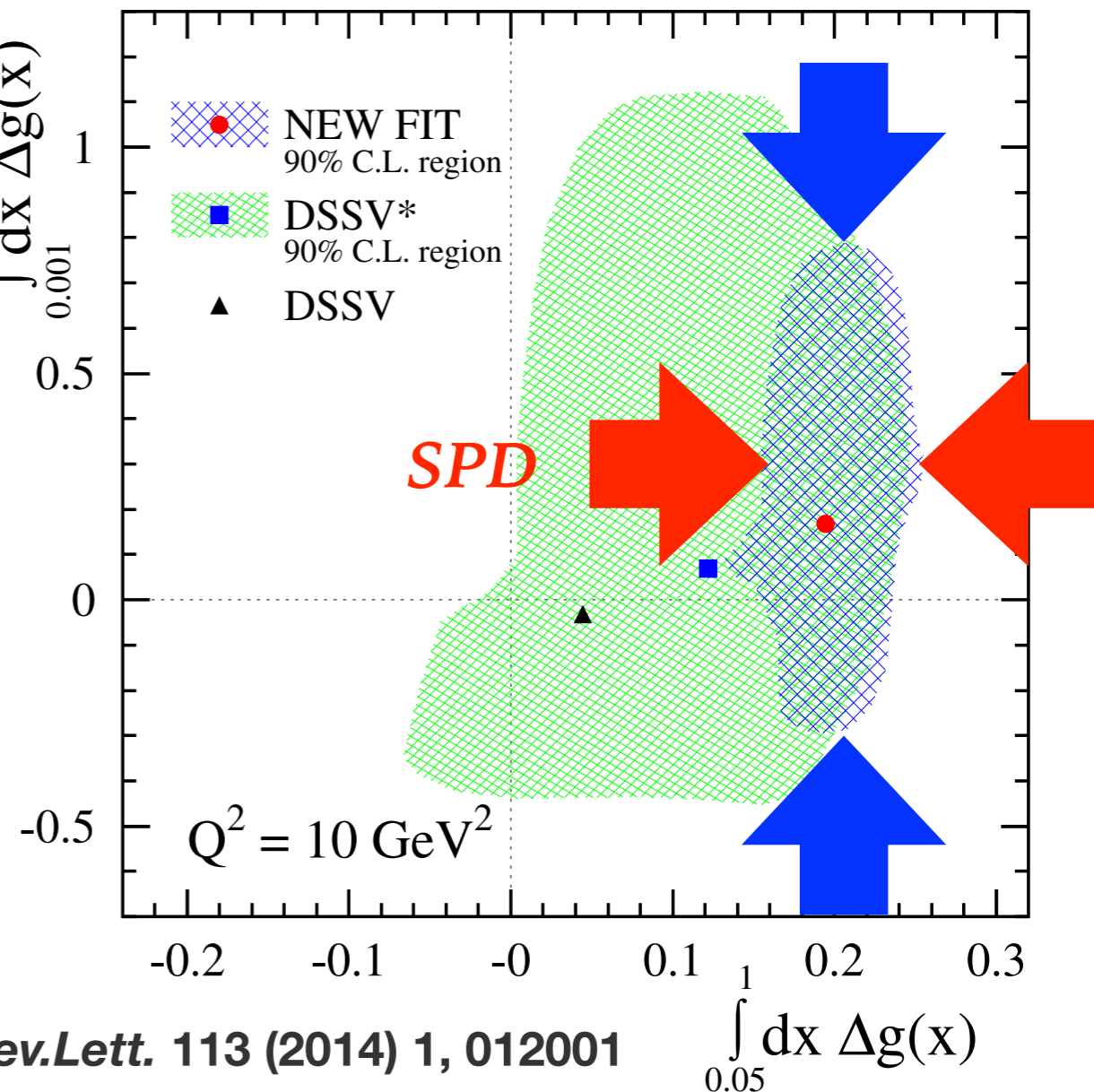
# GLUON HELICITY FUNCTION $\Delta g(x)$

*accessible with SPD*



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$\int_{0.05}^1 dx \Delta g(x)$



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*SPD could help to reduce uncertainty of  $\Delta G$  at large  $x$*

# GLUON HELICITY FUNCTION $\Delta g(x)$ : HOW TO ACCESS?

Double longitudinal spin asymmetry:

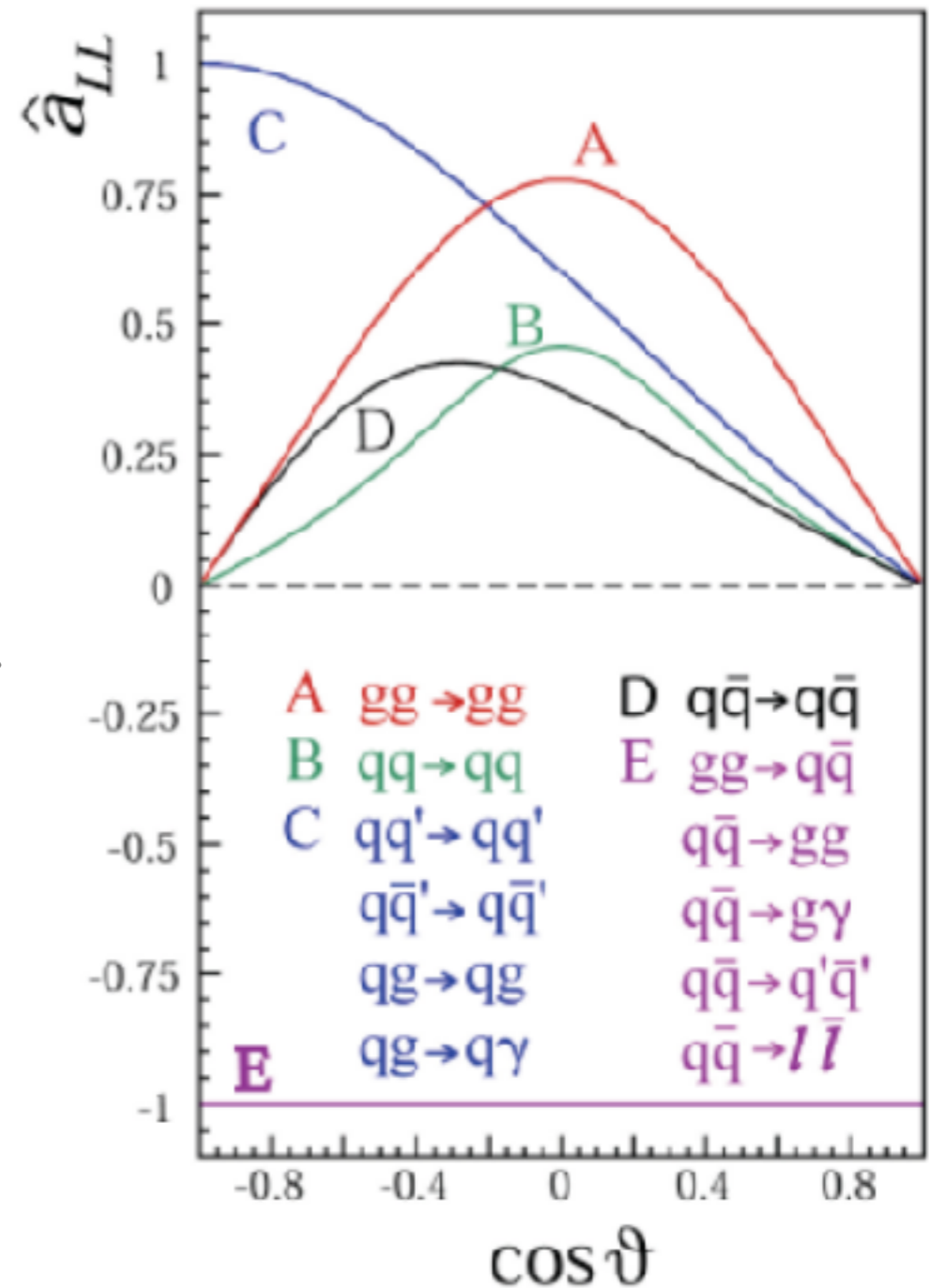
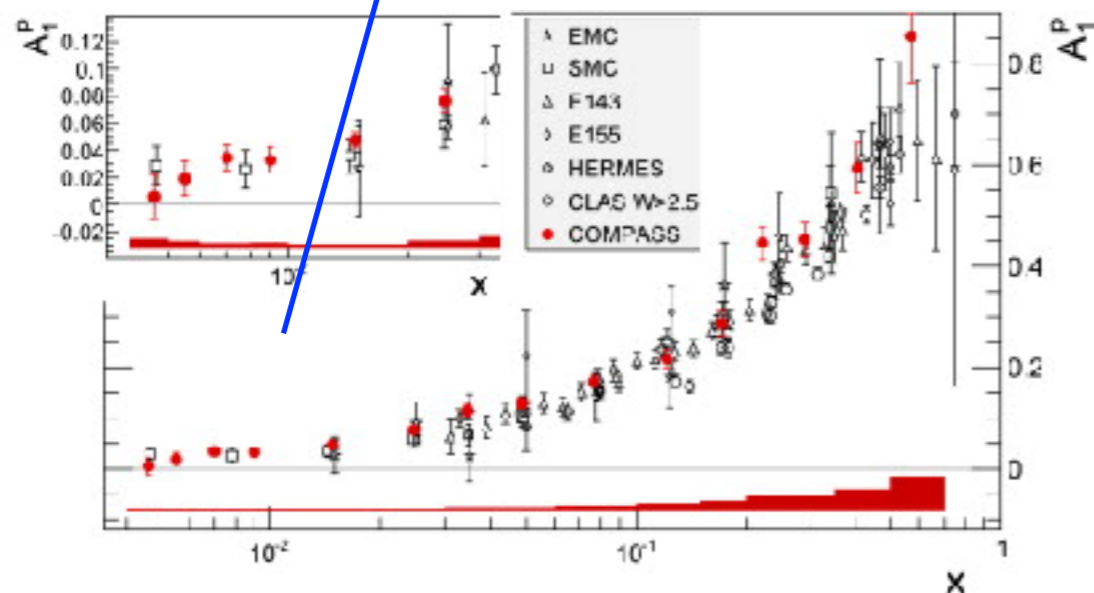
$$A_{LL} = \frac{\sigma^{++} - \sigma^{+-}}{\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{+-}}$$

$$A_{LL}^{c\bar{c}} \approx \frac{\Delta g(x_1)}{g(x_1)} \otimes \frac{\Delta g(x_2)}{g(x_2)} \otimes \hat{a}_{LL}^{gg \rightarrow c\bar{c}X}$$

- **quadratic** sensitivity to  $\Delta g$

$$A_{LL}^{\gamma} \approx \frac{\Delta g(x_1)}{g(x_1)} \otimes A_{1p}(x_2) \otimes \hat{a}_{LL}^{gq(\bar{q}) \rightarrow \gamma q(\bar{q})} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2).$$

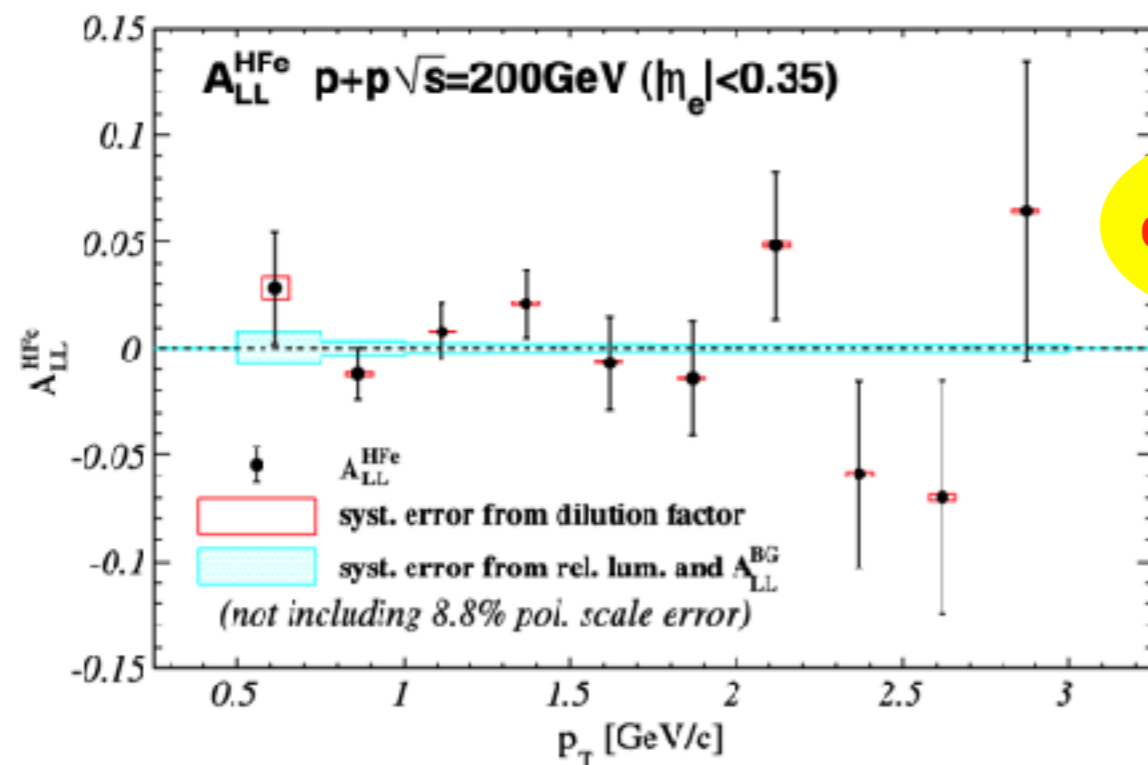
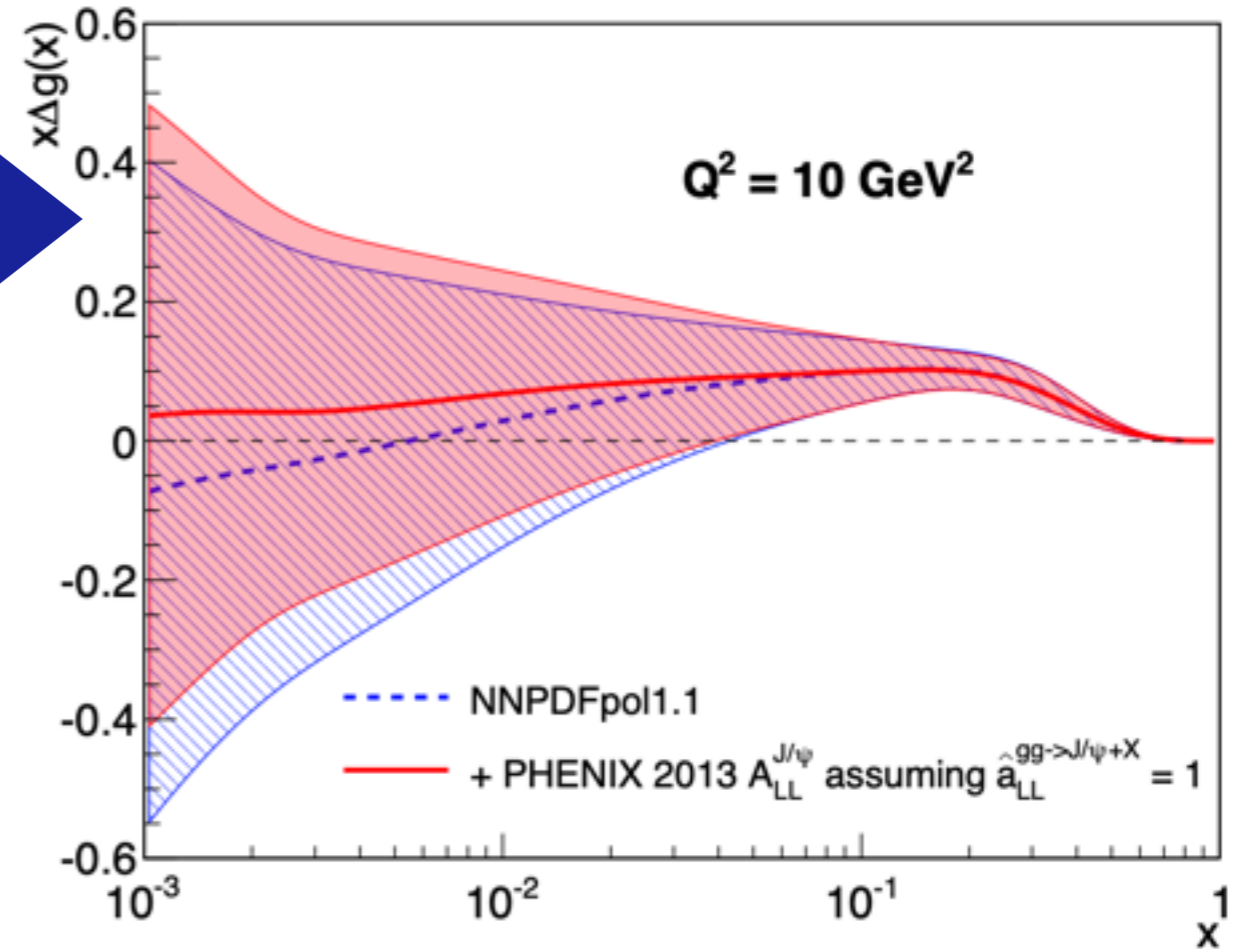
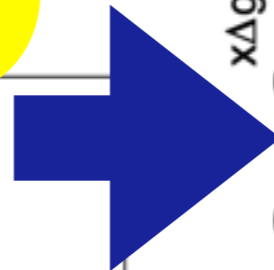
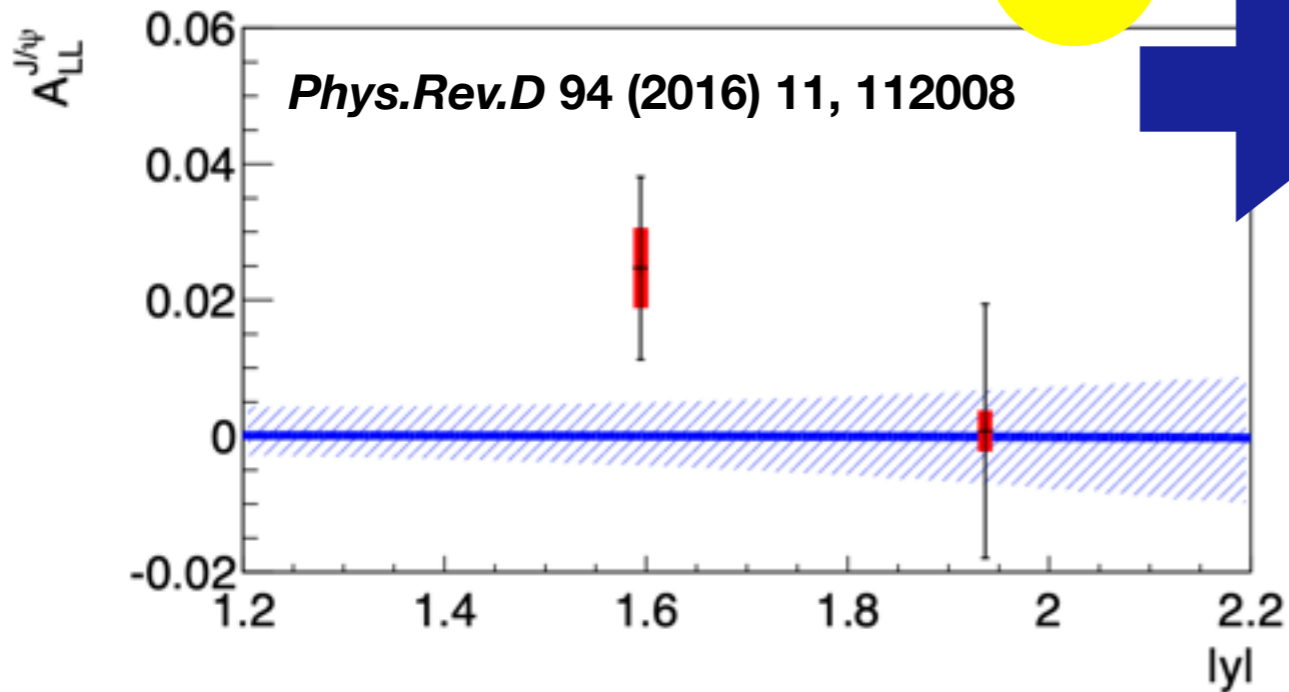
- sensitivity to the **sign** of  $\Delta g$



# GLUON HELICITY FUNCTION $\Delta g(x)$ : EXISTING RESULTS FOR $A_{LL}^{J/\psi}$

PHENIX, 510 GeV

J/ψ



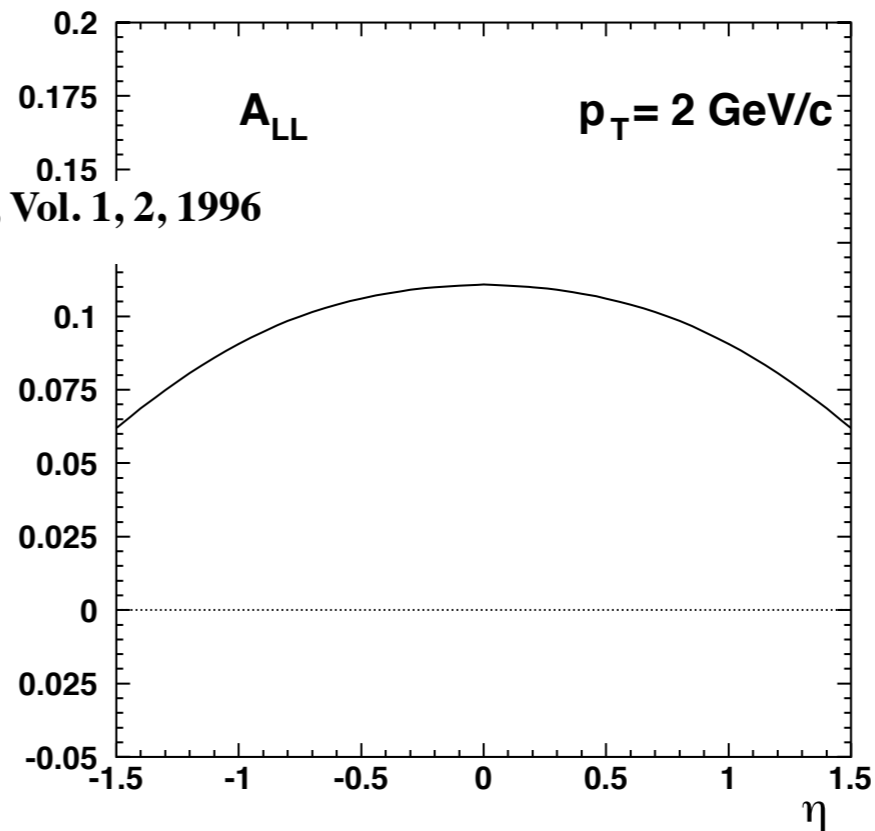
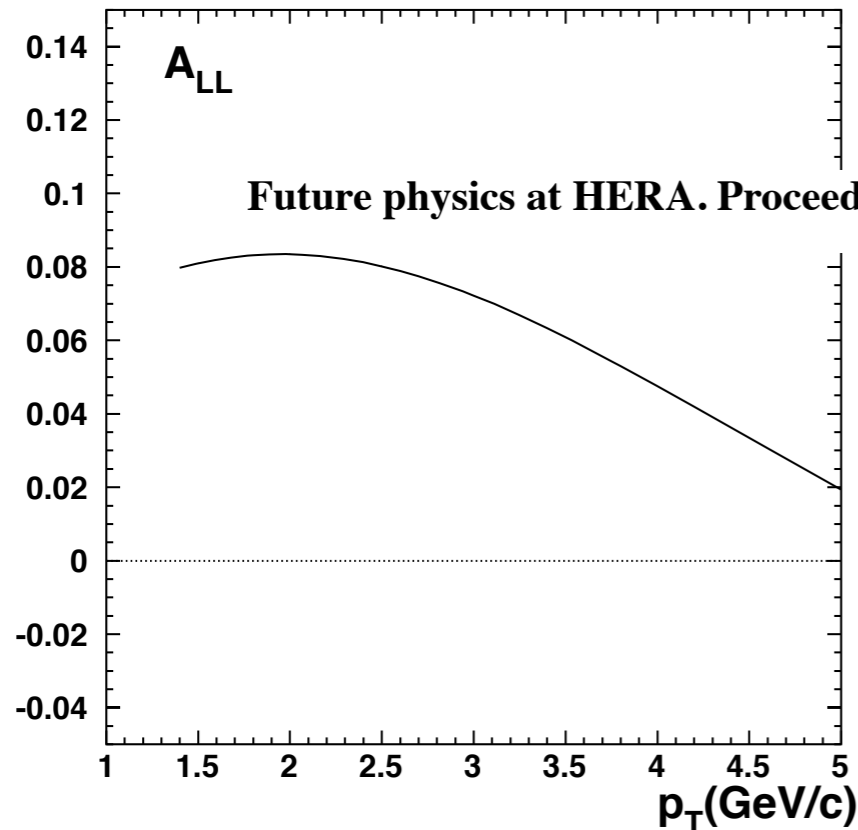
e from HF

Also  $\pi^0, \eta, \text{jets}$

PHENIX, 200 GeV

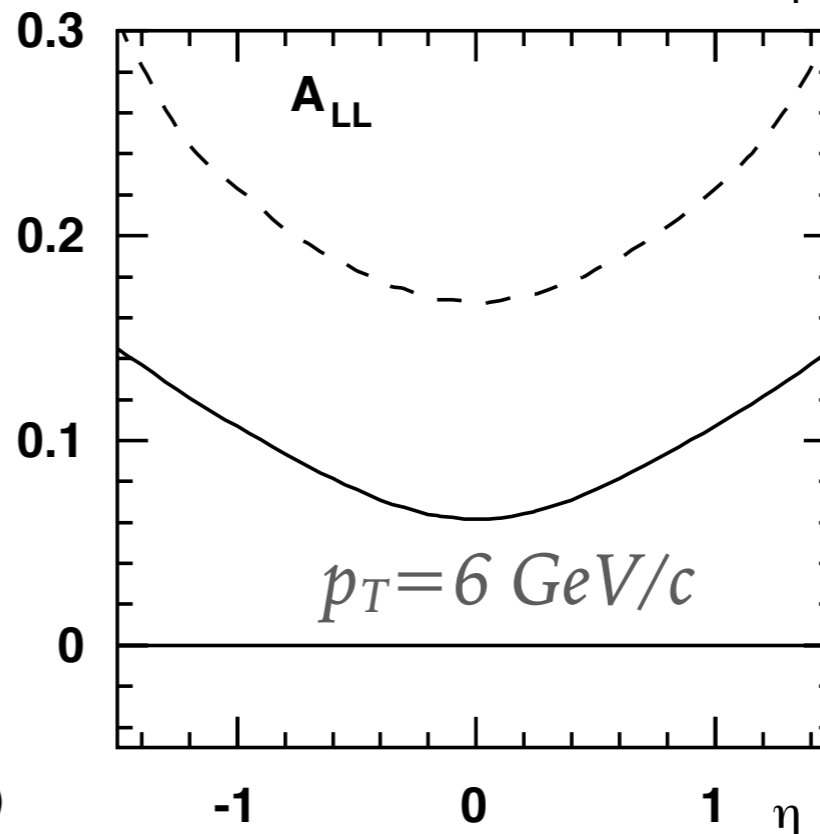
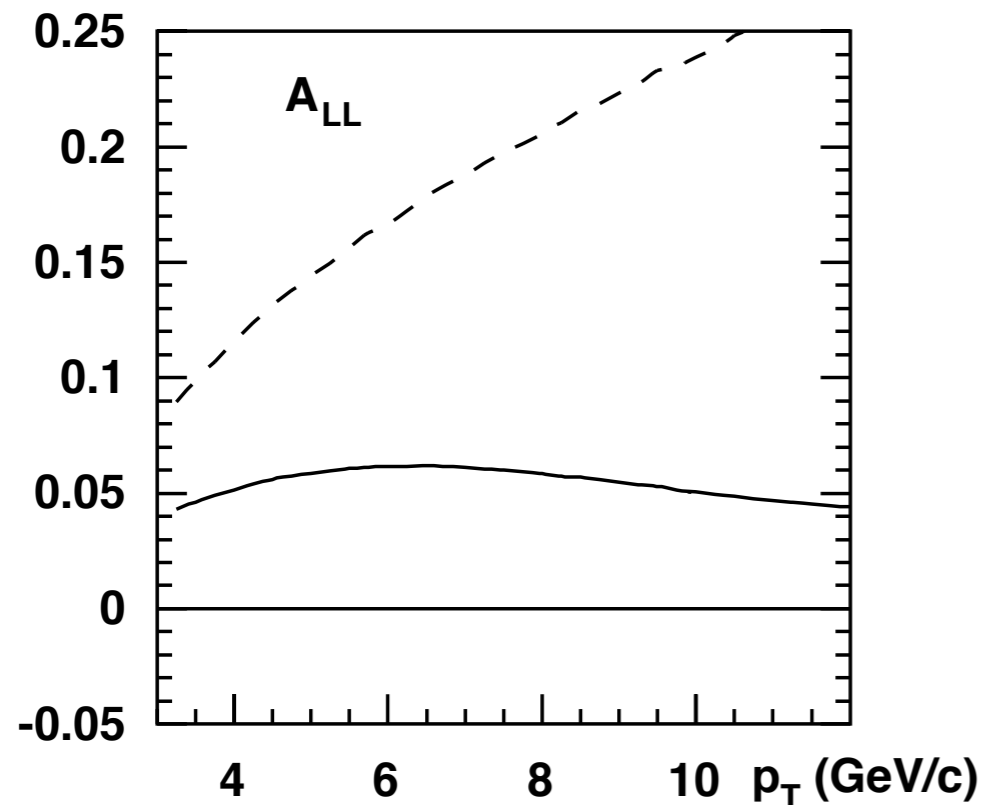
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# GLUON HELICITY FUNCTION $\Delta g(x)$ : EXPECTATIONS



$$gg \rightarrow J/\psi g$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 39 \text{ GeV}$$

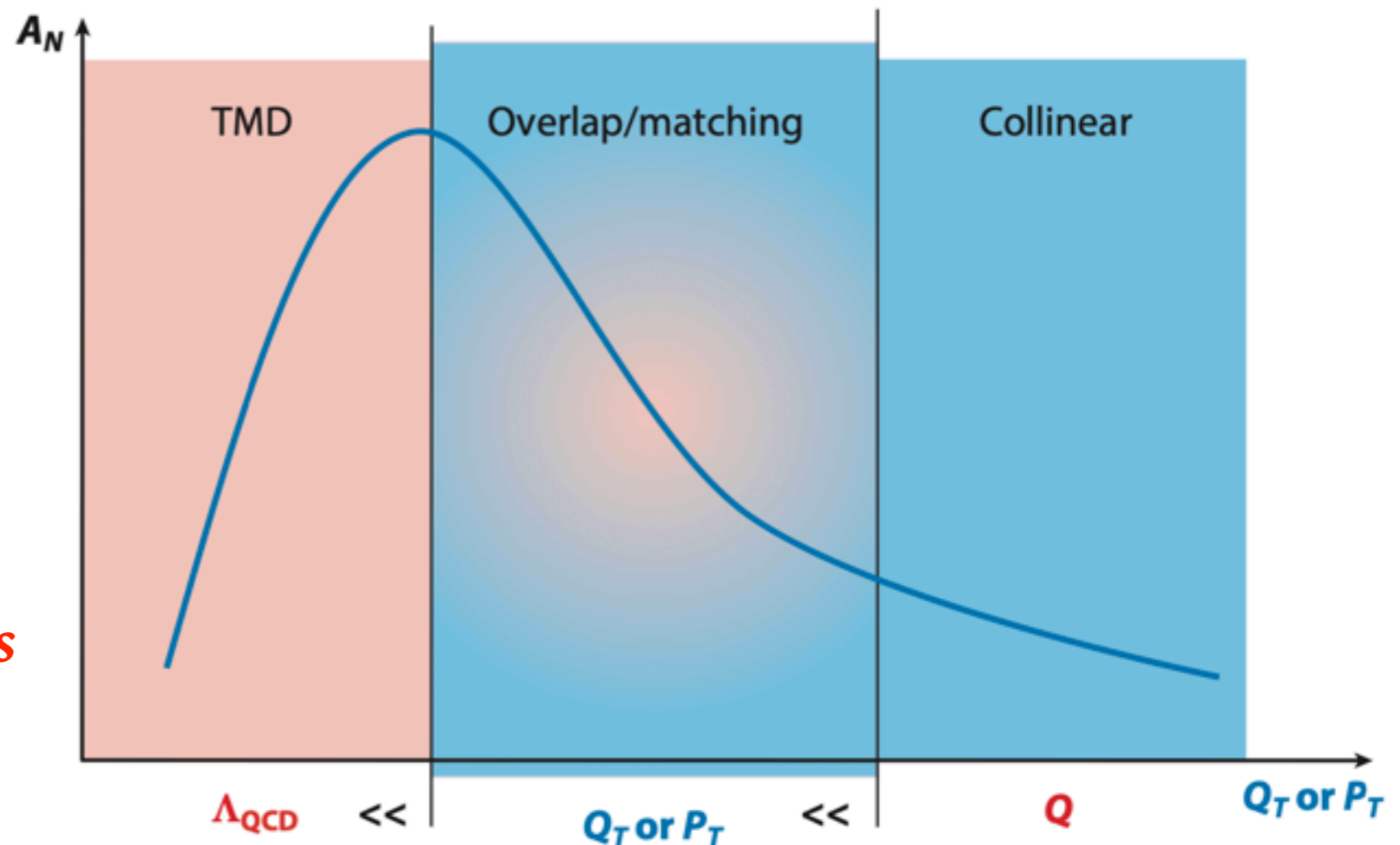


$$qg \rightarrow q\gamma$$

# GLUON-INDUCED TMD EFFECTS : TWO APPROACHES

$$A_N = \frac{\sigma^\uparrow - \sigma^\downarrow}{\sigma^\uparrow + \sigma^\downarrow}$$

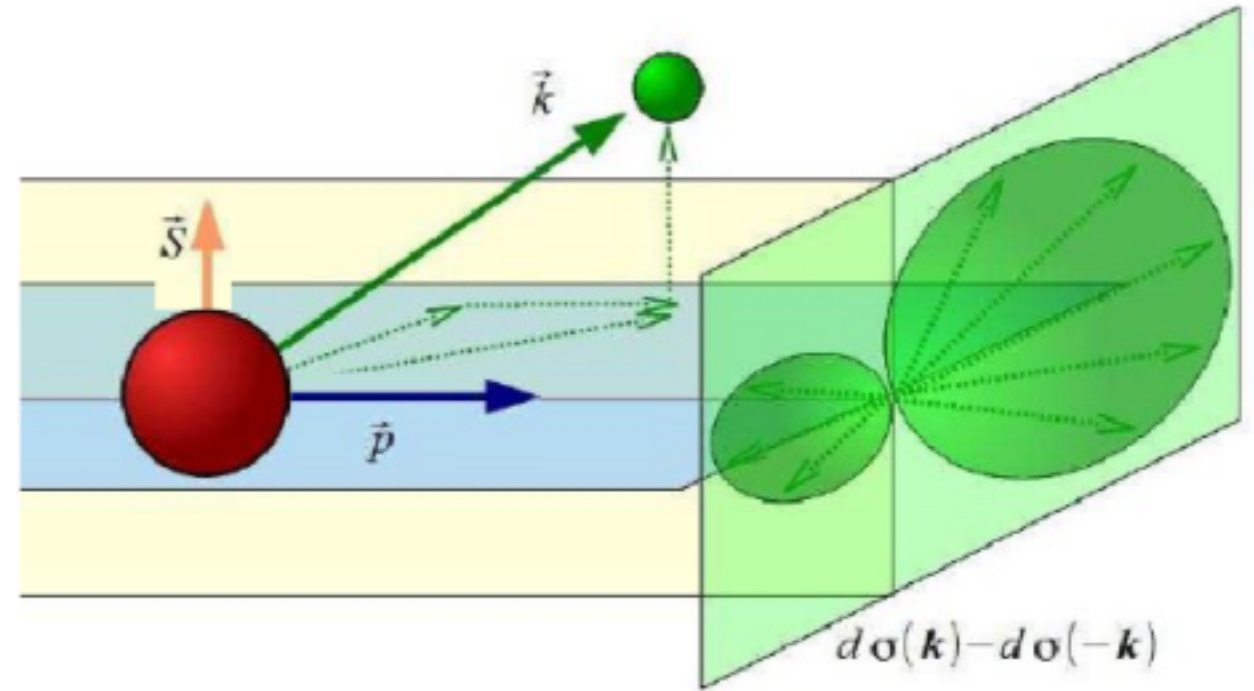
*Different  $\langle k_T \rangle$  for quarks  
and gluons!*



- 1) Collinear factorization + three-parton correlations in twist-3
- 2) TMD factorization

# GLUON-INDUCED TMD EFFECTS : GLUON SIVERS FUNCTION $\Delta_N^g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}_T)$

*Sivers effect: left-right asymmetry of unpolarized  $k_T$  distribution in transversely polarized nucleon*



Sivers effect

Collins effect

- due to fragmentation of polarized quark

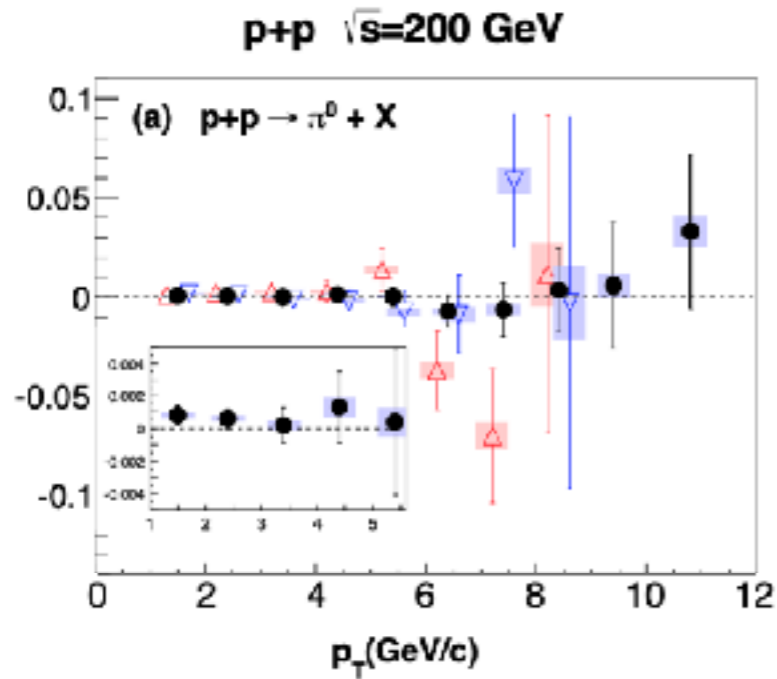
$A_N$

*Collins effect in the first approximation is absent for chamonia and prompt-photon production:*

$$\sigma^\uparrow - \sigma^\downarrow = \sum_i \int_{x_{min}}^1 dx_a \int d^2\mathbf{k}_{Ta} d^2\mathbf{k}_{Tb} \frac{x_a x_b}{x_a - (p_T/\sqrt{s})} e^{y} [q_i(x_a, \mathbf{k}_{Ta}) \Delta_N G(x_b, \mathbf{k}_{Tb}) \times \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{d\hat{t}}(q_i G \rightarrow q_i \gamma) + G(x_a, \mathbf{k}_{Ta}) \Delta_N q_i(x_b, \mathbf{k}_{Tb}) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{d\hat{t}}(G q_i \rightarrow q_i \gamma)]$$



# GLUON SIVERS FUNCTION $\Delta_N^g(x, k_T)$

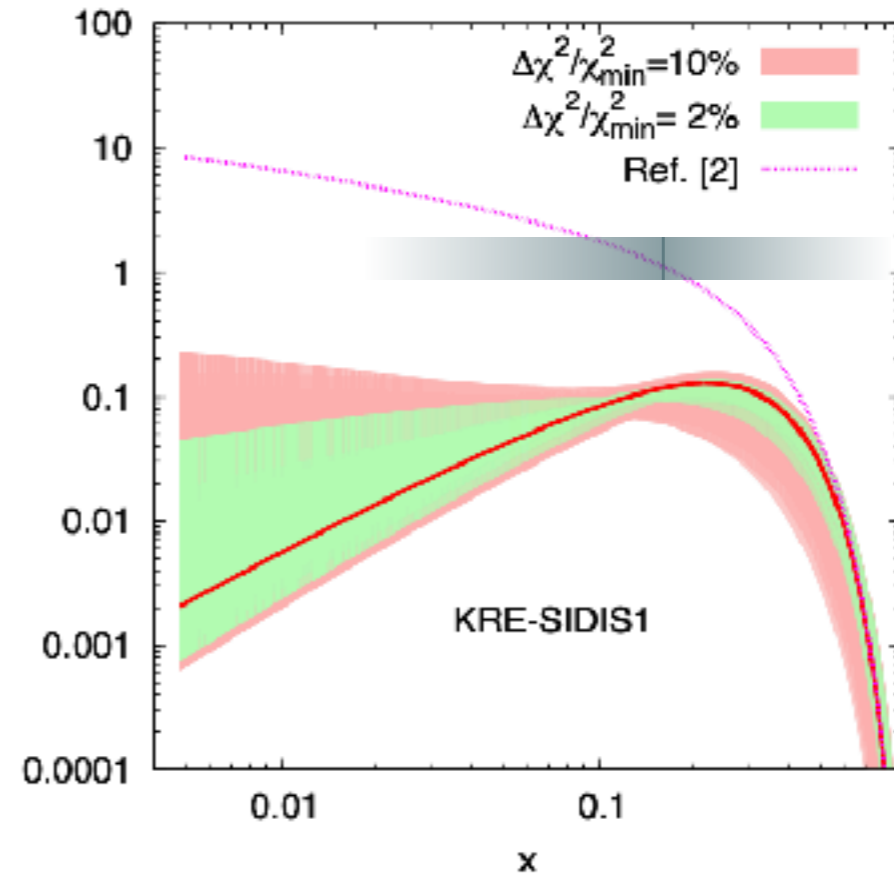
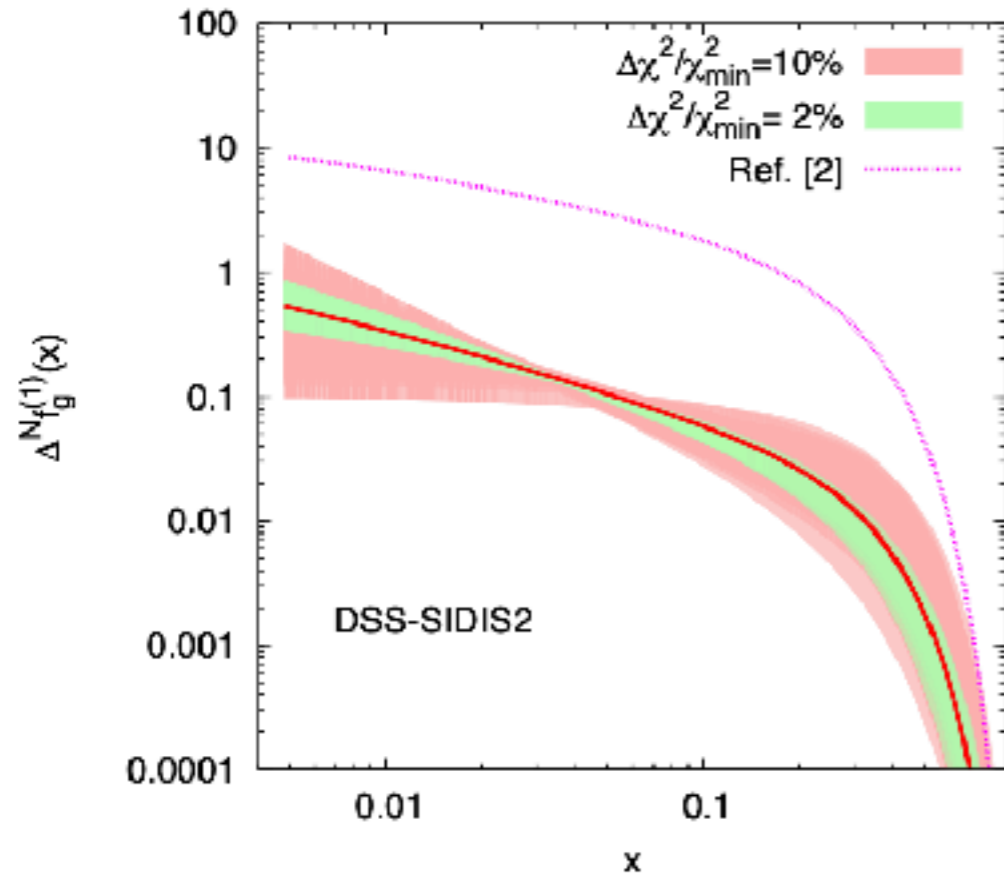


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*First  $k_{\perp}$ -moment of the gluon Sivers function*

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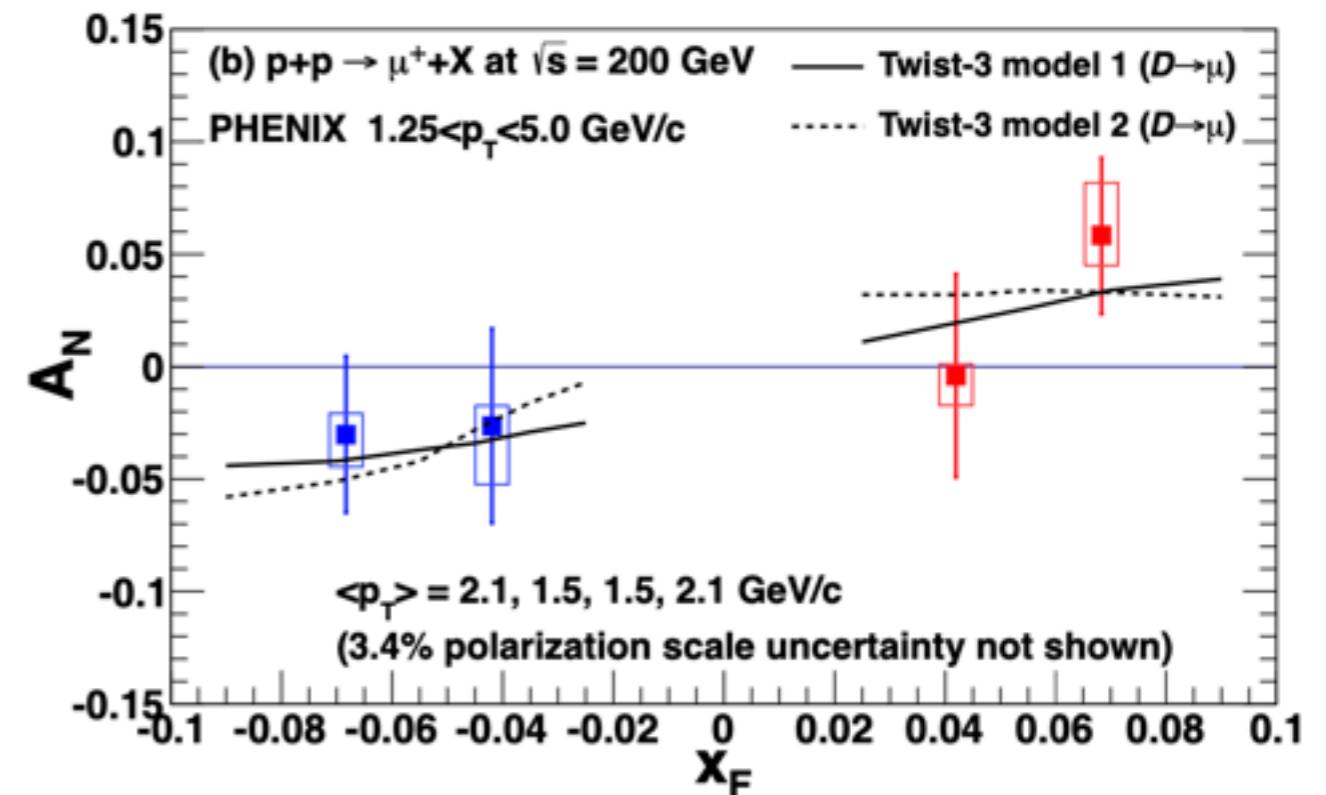
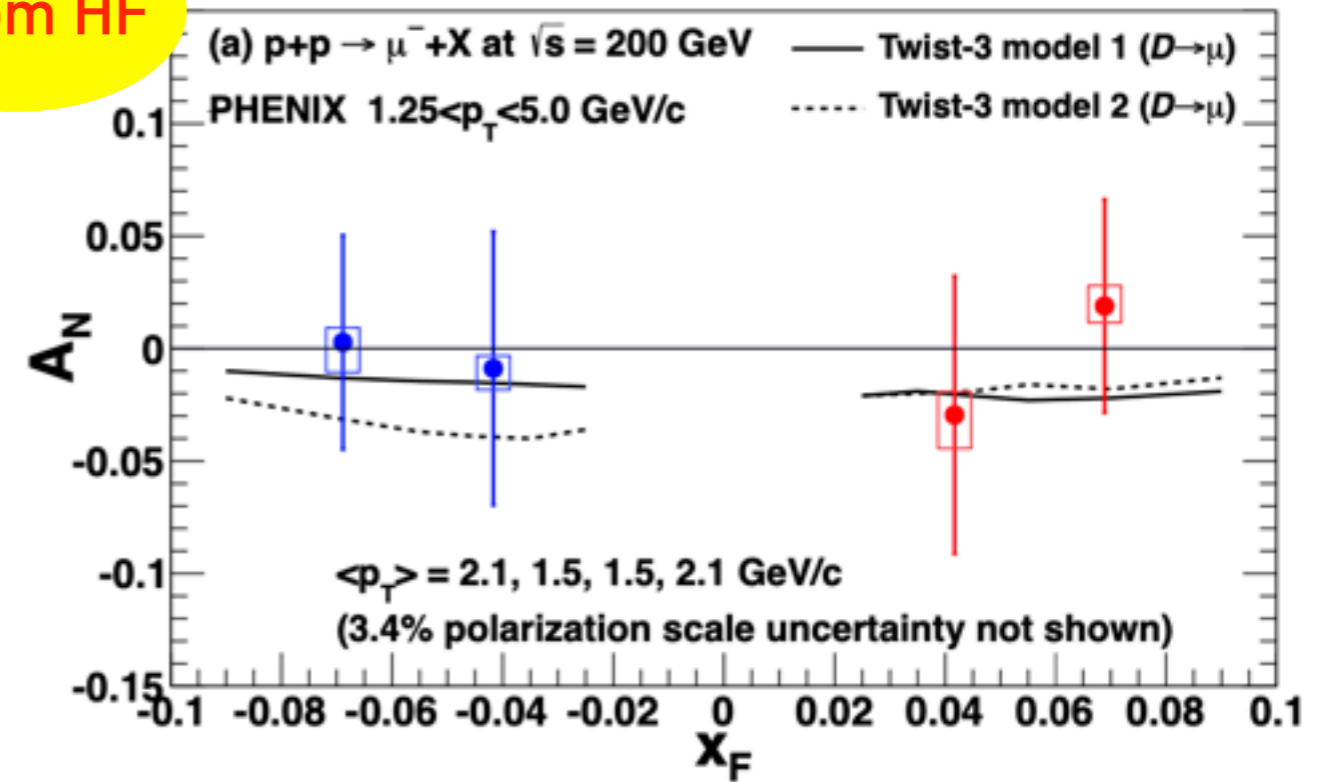
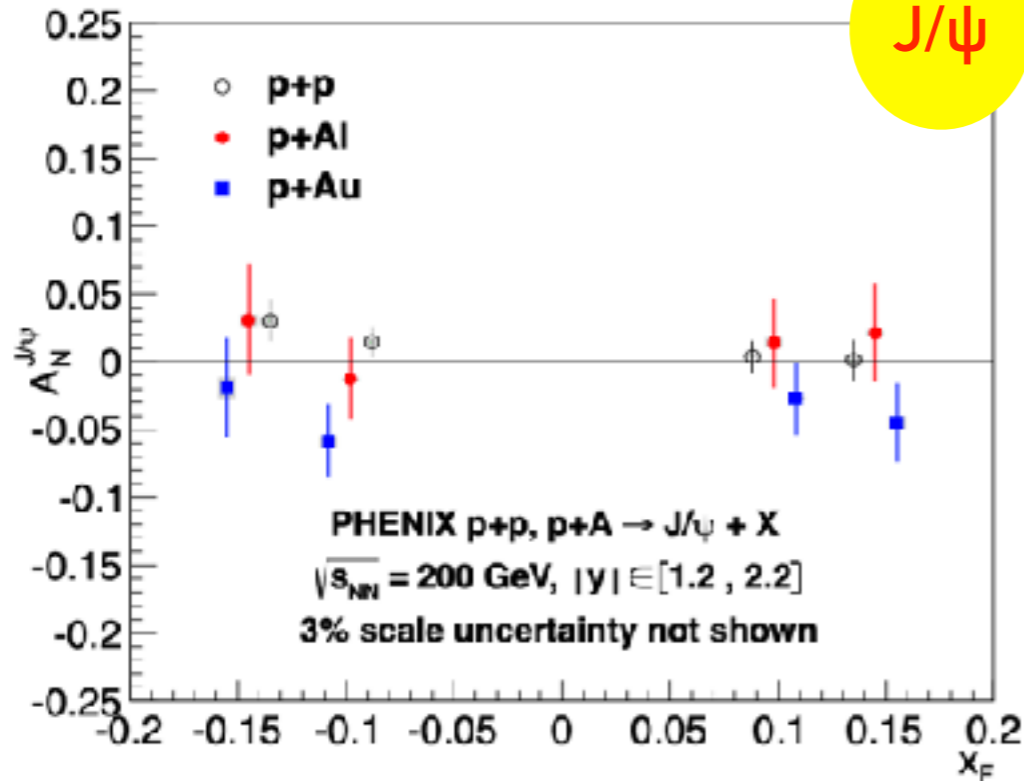
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$\mu$  from HF

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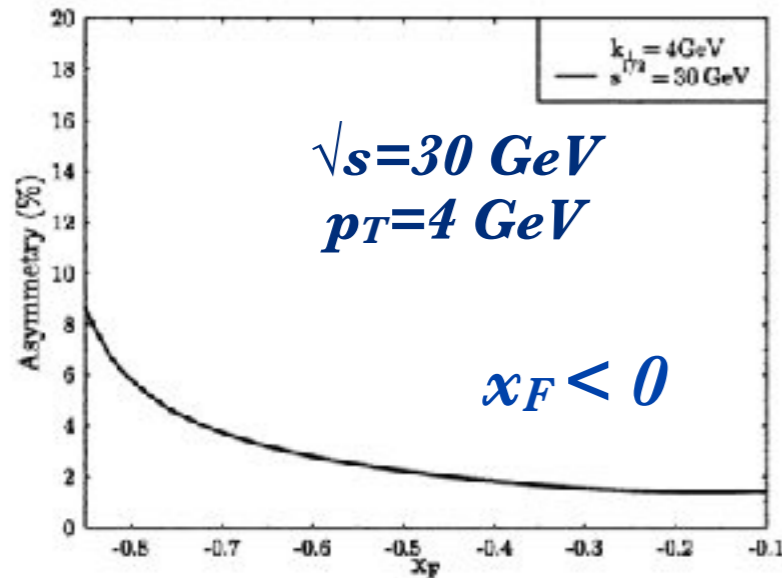
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J/ $\psi$



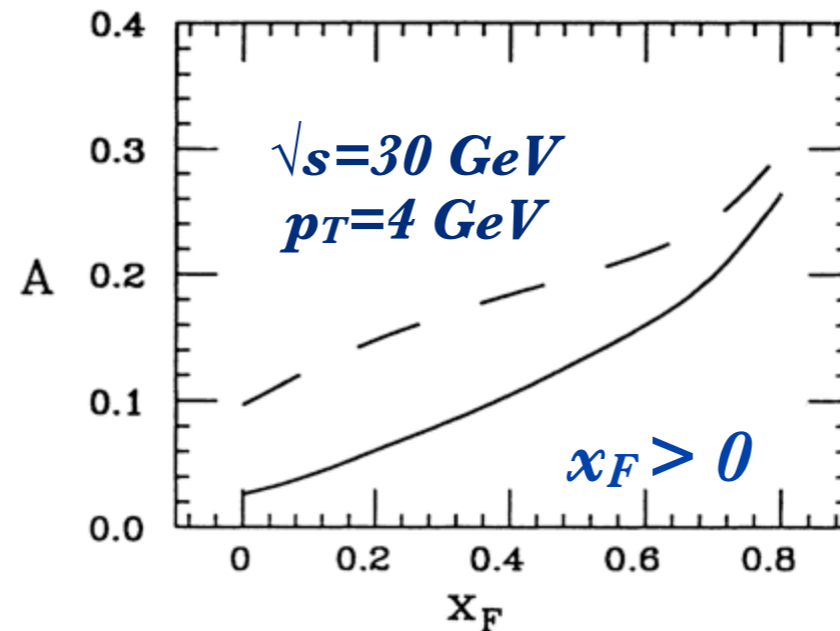
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## Three-parton correlations in twist-3

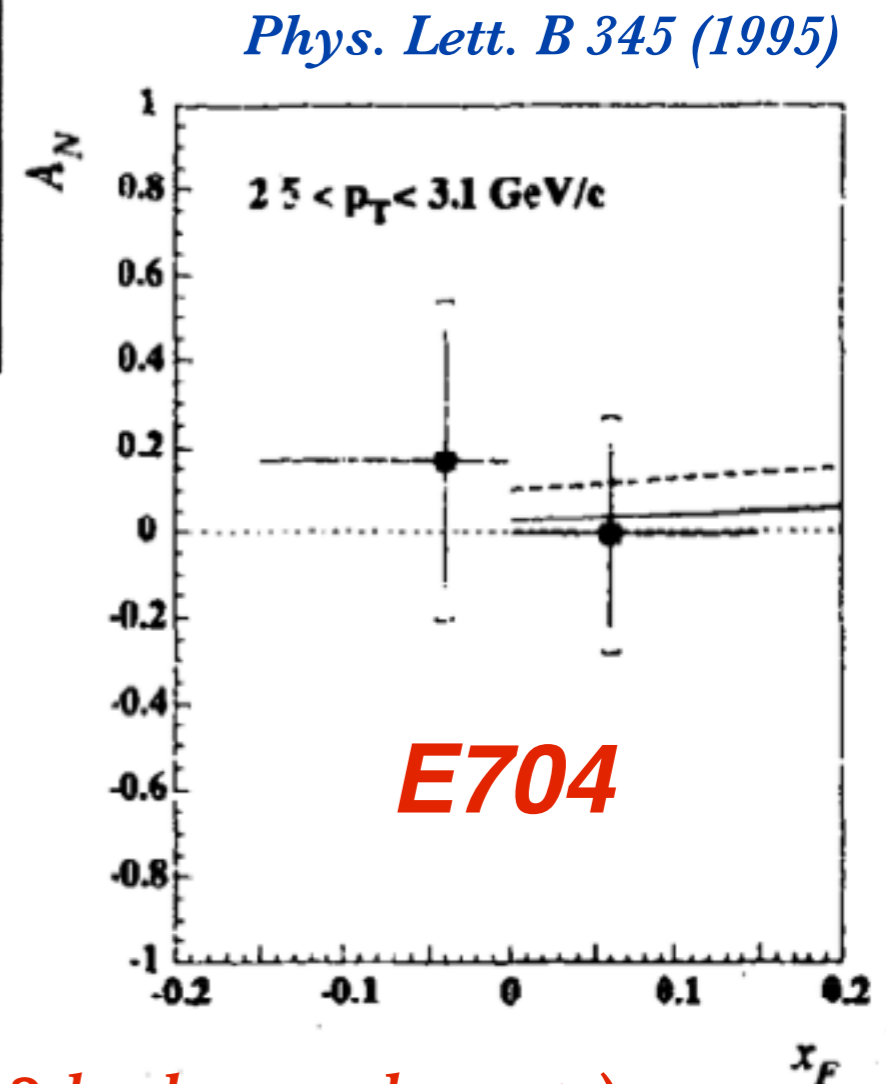


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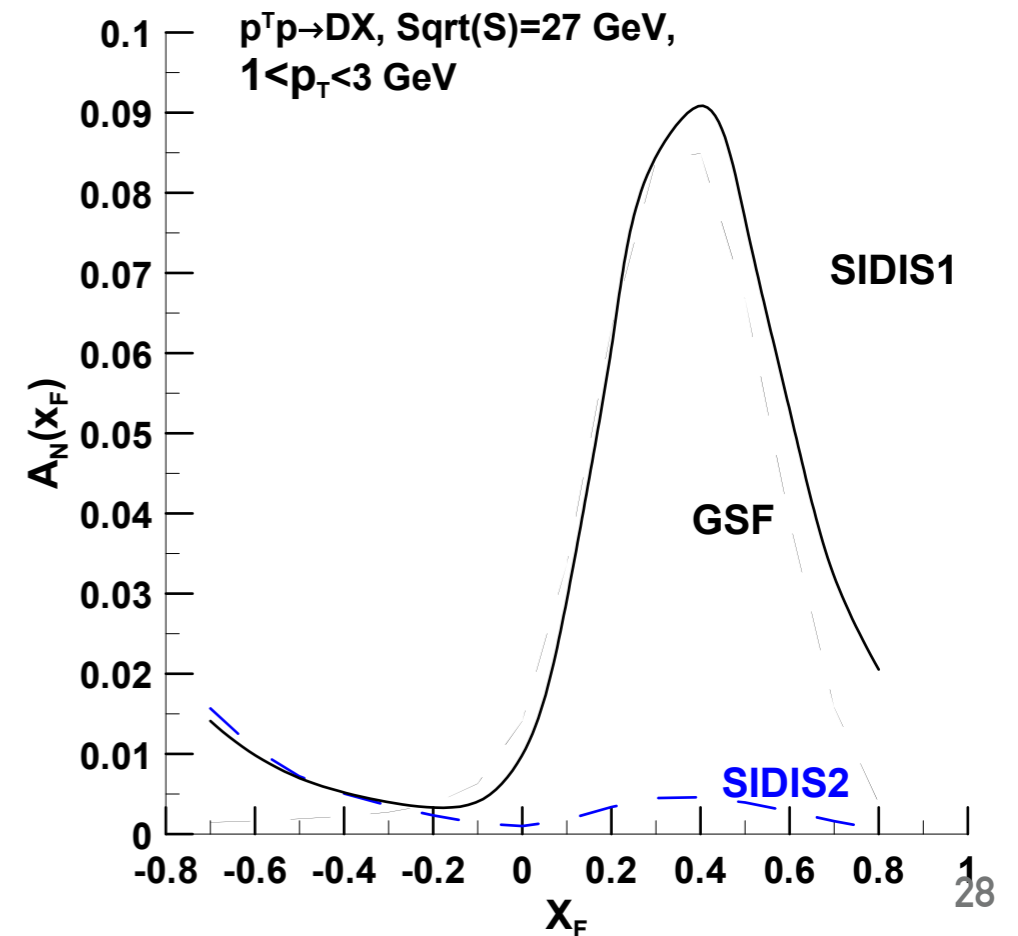
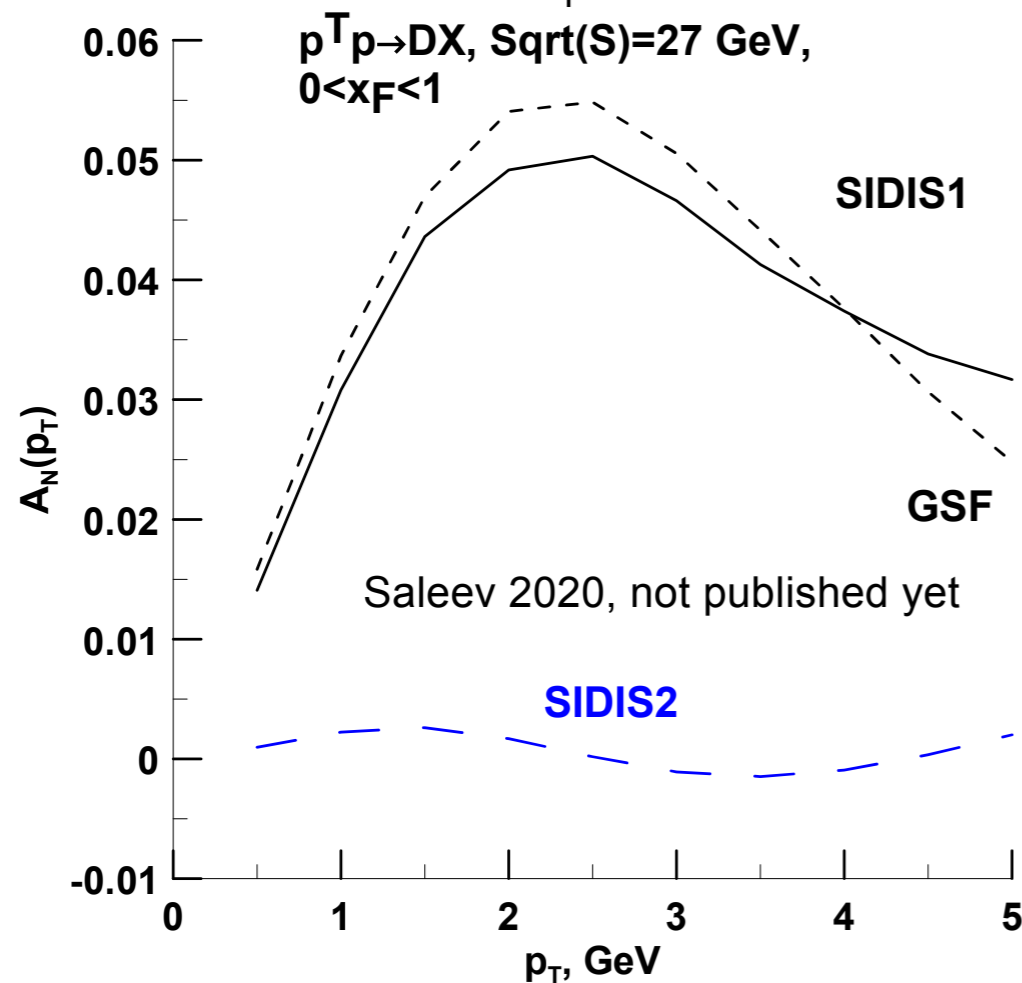
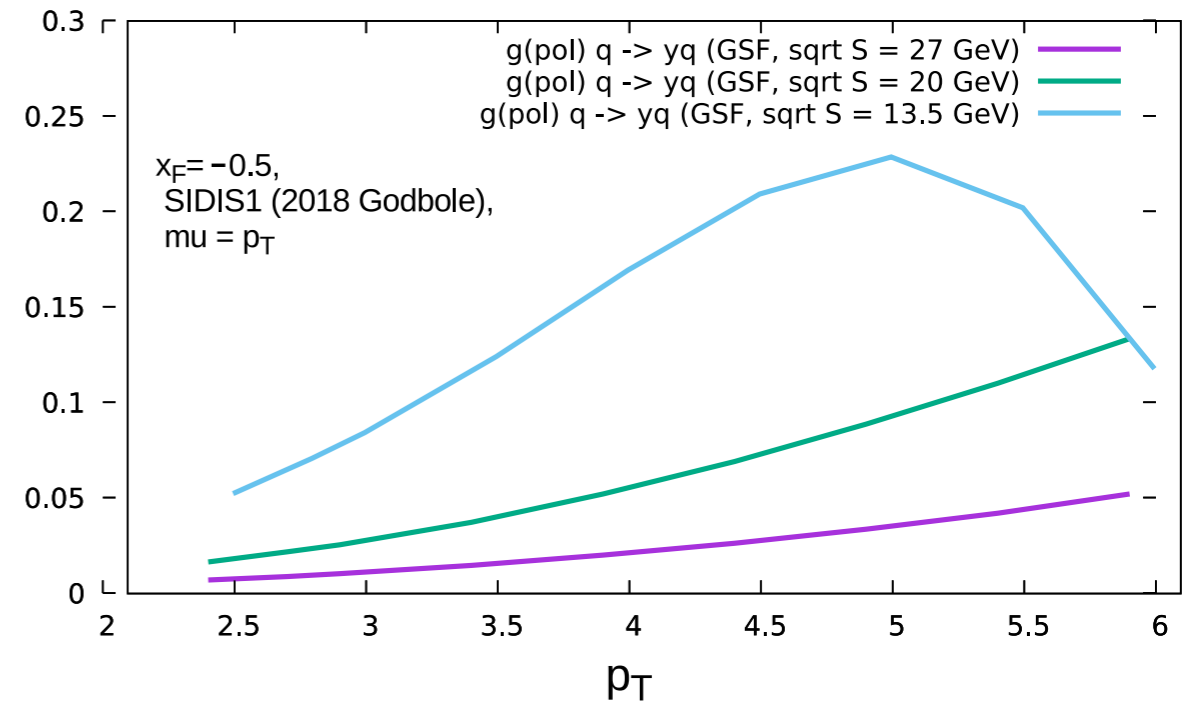
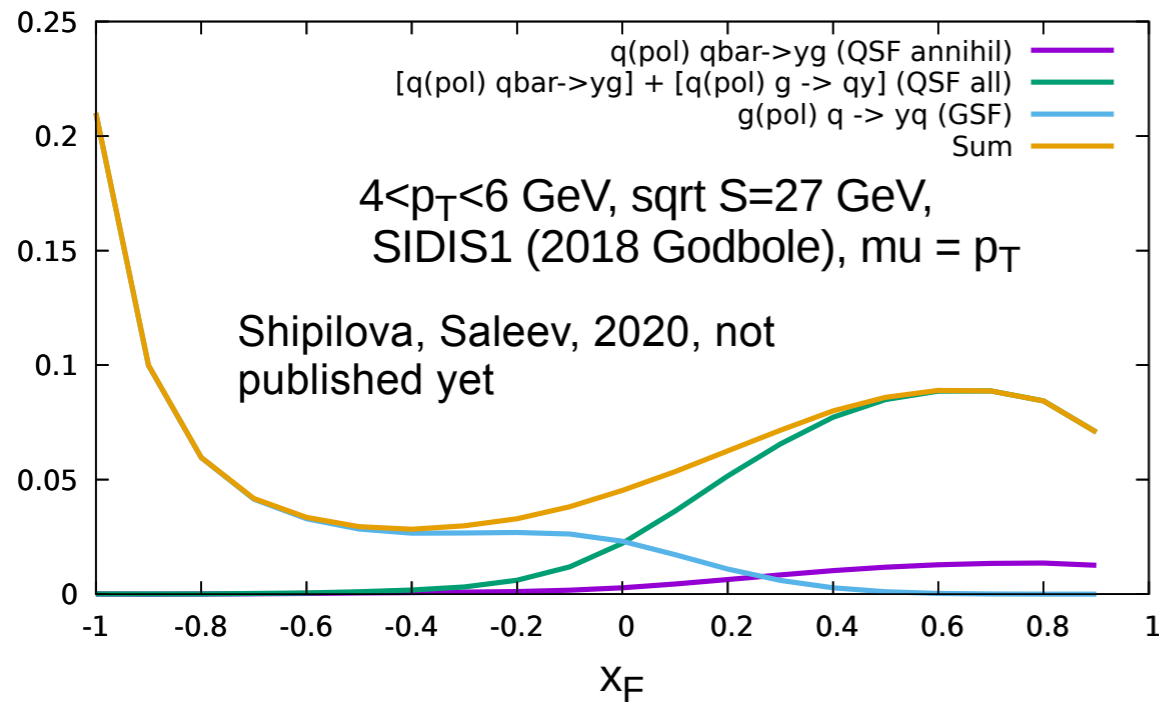
*J. Qui and G. Sterman, Phys. Rev. Lett. 67 (1991) 2264*



- Fixed target;
- Polarized proton beam from  $\Lambda$  decay;
- $2.5 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 3.1 \text{ GeV}/c$ ;
- **473 prompt photon candidates (including  $220 \pm 22$  background events)**

# GLUON-INDUCED TMD EFFECTS: EXPECTATIONS FOR $A_N$

*Sivers effect contribution*



# GLUON-INDUCED TMD EFFECTS : BOER-MULDERS FUNCTION $h_1^{\perp g}(x, k_T)$

$gg \rightarrow D\bar{D}, \gamma\gamma, J/\psi\gamma, \dots$

The hadronic cross section can be written with corrections of order  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s/S)$  in the form [D. Boer, P. Mulders, C. Pisano, 2008]

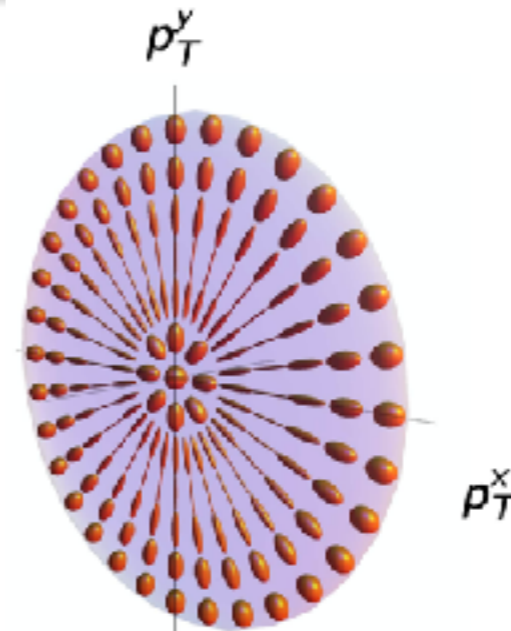
$$\frac{d\sigma(pp \rightarrow D\bar{D}X)}{d\eta_1 d\eta_2 d^2k_{1T} d^2k_{2T}} = \frac{\alpha_s}{S K_T^2} \left[ A(Q_T^2) + B(Q_T^2) Q_T^2 \cos 2(\phi_T - \phi_{\perp}) + \right. \\ \left. + C(Q_T^2) Q_T^4 \cos 4(\phi_Q - \phi_K) \right]$$

$$\vec{Q}_T = \vec{k}_{1T} + \vec{k}_{2T}, \quad \vec{K}_T = (\vec{k}_{1T} - \vec{k}_{2T})/2$$

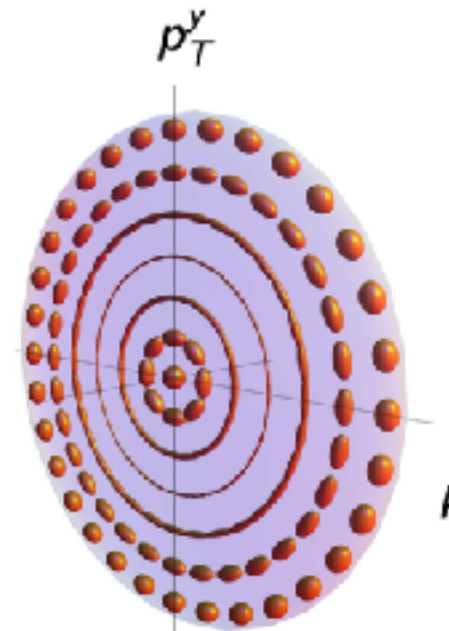
$$A: f_1^q \otimes f_1^{\bar{q}}, f_1^g \otimes f_1^g,$$

$$B: h_1^{\perp q} \otimes h_1^{\perp \bar{q}}, \frac{M_Q^2}{M_{\perp}^2} f_1^g \otimes h_1^{\perp g},$$

$$C: h_1^{\perp g} \otimes h_1^{\perp g}.$$

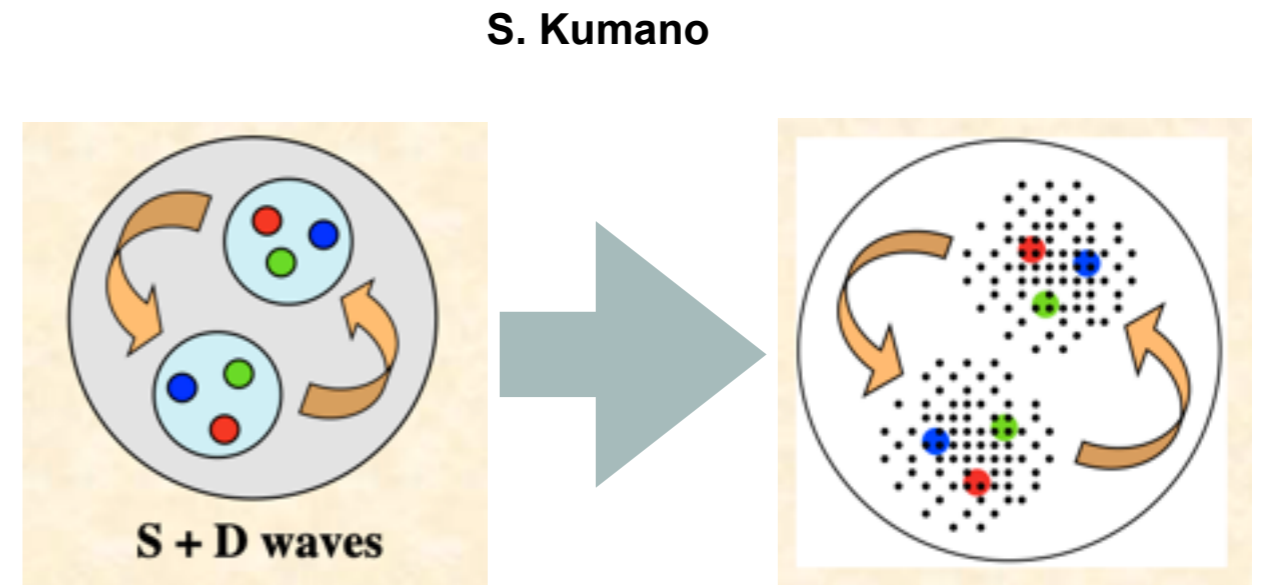
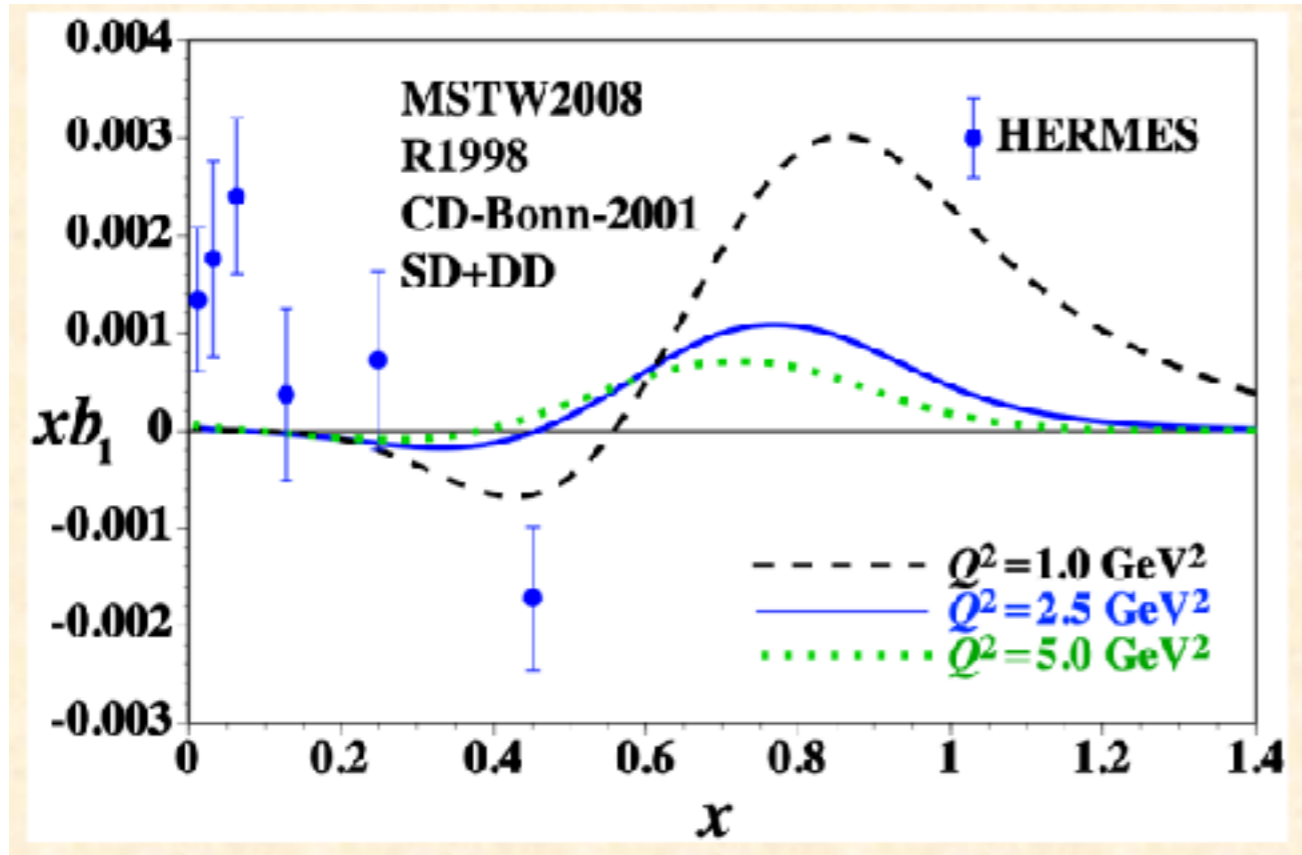


$$h_1^{\perp g} > 0$$



$$h_1^{\perp g} < 0$$

# UNPOLARIZED GLUONS IN DEUTERON AT HIGH $x$



$$|6q\rangle = c_1 |NN\rangle + c_2 |\Delta\Delta\rangle + c_3 |CC\rangle$$

*hidden color*

*up to 90% at some models!*

G. A. Miller, Phys.Rev. C89 (2014) no.4, 045203

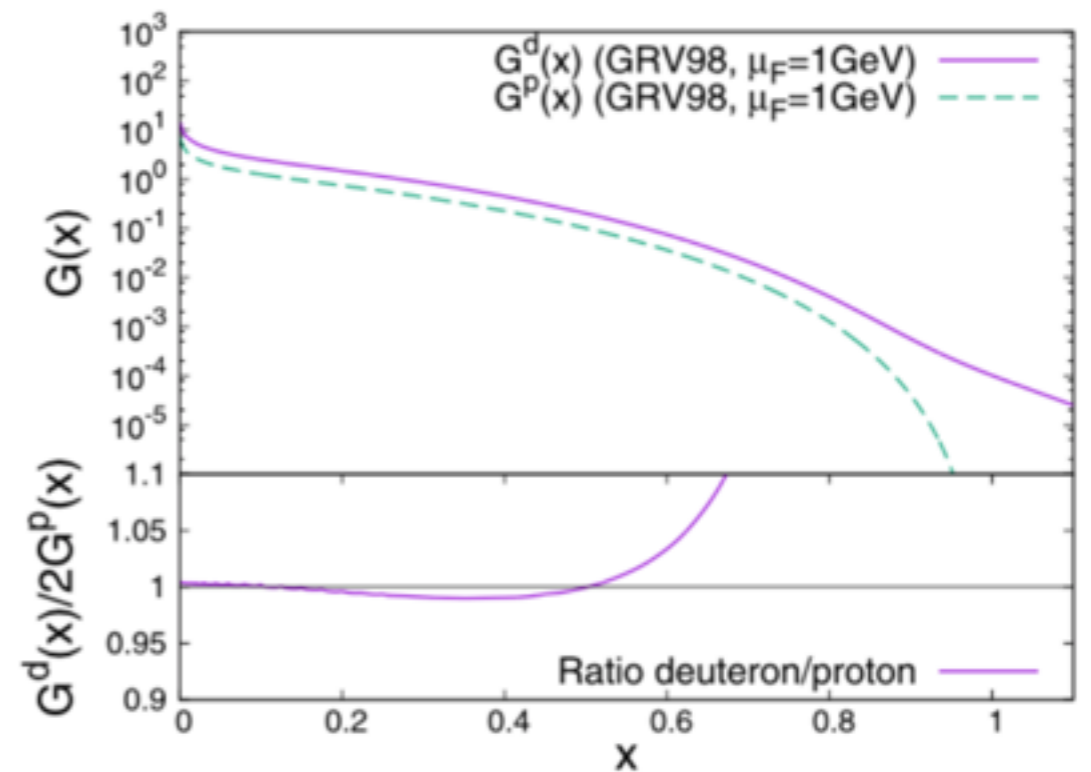
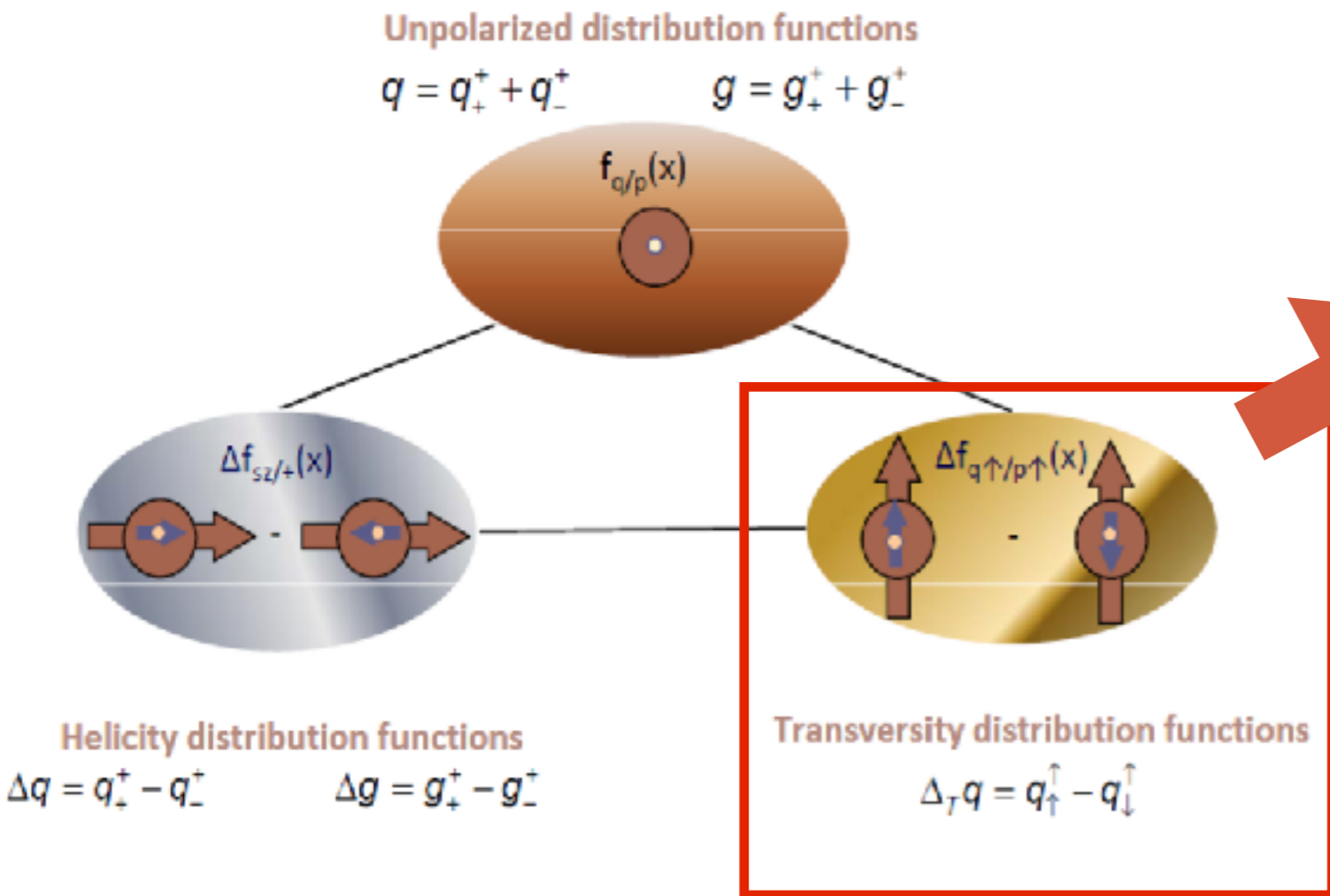


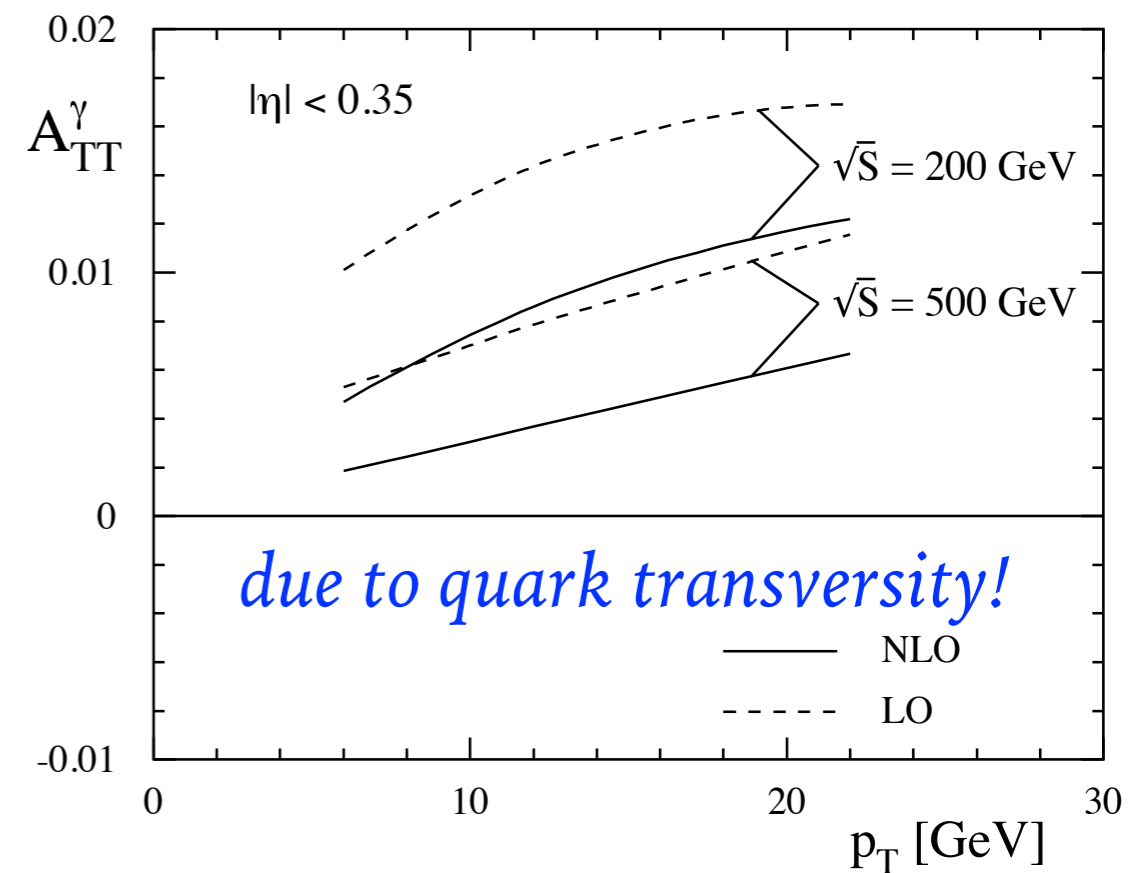
Fig. 6. Gluon PDF in the deuteron and in the nucleon.

# GLUON TRANSVERSITY $\Delta g_T(x)$ IN DEUTERON



*Transversity function is related to spin-flip amplitude but  $\Delta s=2$  is impossible in LO for spin-1/2 hadron.*

*But it nonzero gluon transversity is possible already in LO in deuteron due to non-nucleonic gluon component! It could be accessed via double transverse spin asymmetry!*



# COMPLEMENTARITY OF STUDIES AT **SPD** AND **MPD** AT **NICA**

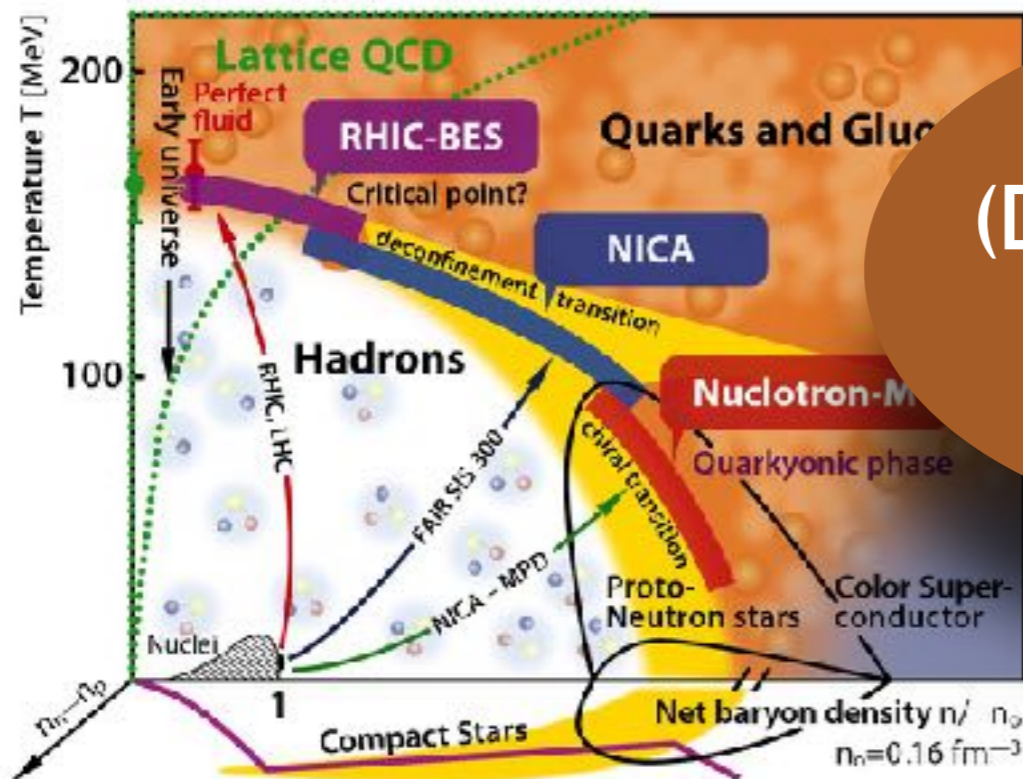
Partonic structure of deuteron

Partonic structure of nucleon

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Non-baryonic matter in deuteron

**SPD**



(De)confinement, mixed phase

**MPD**

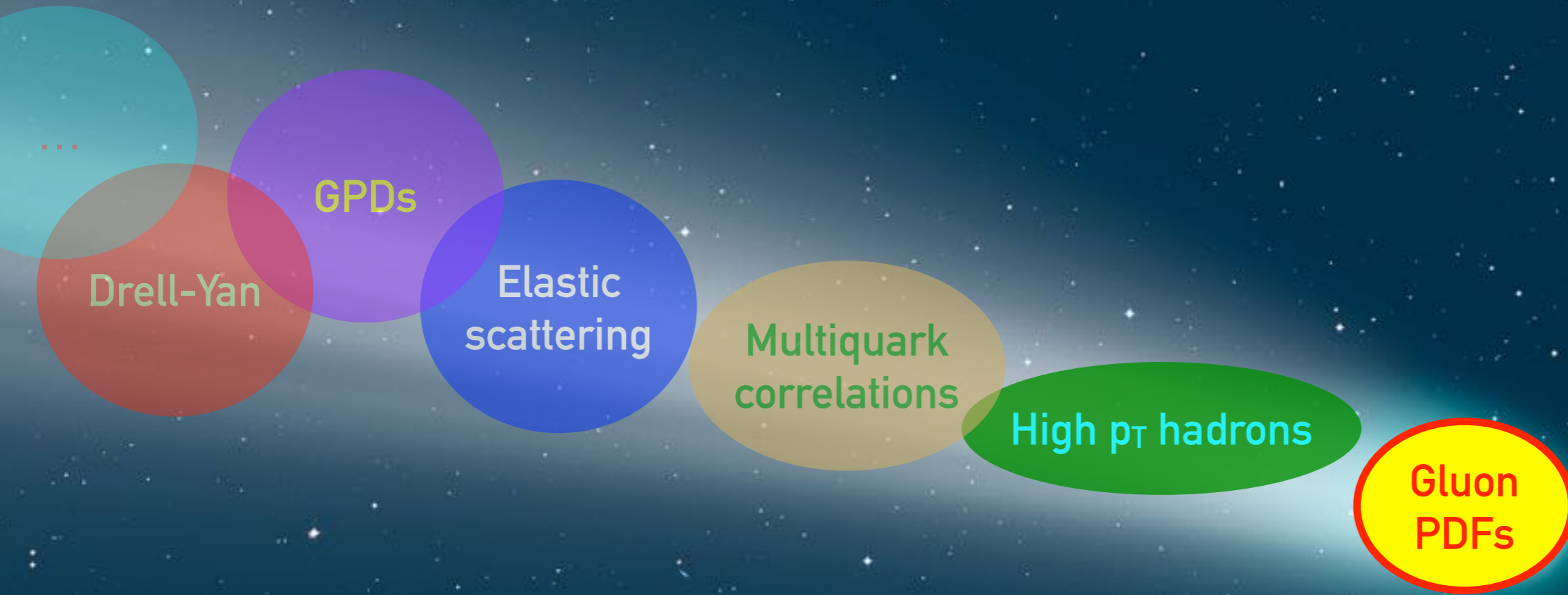




# SUMMARY

Physics goal	Observable	Experimental conditions
Gluon helicity $\Delta g(x)$	$A_{LL}$ asymmetries	$p_L$ - $p_L$ , $\sqrt{s} = 27$ GeV
Gluon Sivers PDF $\Delta_N^g(x, k_T)$ , Gluon Boer-Mulders PDF $h_1^{\perp g}(x, k_T)$ TMD-factorization test	$A_N$ asymmetries, Azimuthal asymmetries Diff. cross sections, $A_N$ asymmetries	$p_T$ - $p$ , $\sqrt{s} = 27$ GeV $p$ - $p$ , $\sqrt{s} = 27$ GeV $p_T$ - $p$ , energy scan
Unpolarized gluon density $g(x)$ in deuteron Unpolarized gluon density $g(x)$ in proton	Differential cross sections	$d$ - $d$ , $p$ - $p$ , $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 13.5$ GeV $p$ - $p$ , $\sqrt{s} \leq 20$ GeV
Gluon transversity $\Delta g_T(x)$	$A_{TT}$ asymmetries	$d_T$ - $d_T$ , $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 13.5$ GeV

# SUMMARY: SPD PHYSICS PROGRAM



*The SPD Conceptual Design Report  
should be ready till the end of the year*

# SUMMARY

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- The **Spin Physics Detector** at the NICA collider is a universal facility for comprehensive study of polarized and unpolarized **gluon content of proton and deuteron**; in polarized high-luminosity **p-p** and **d-d** collisions at  $\sqrt{s} \leq 27 \text{ GeV}$
- Complementing main probes such as **charmonia** ( $J/\psi$  and higher states), **open charm** and **prompt photons** will be used for that;
- SPD can contribute significantly to investigation of
  - gluon helicity;
  - gluon-induced TMD effects (Sivers and Boer-Mulders);
  - unpolarized gluon PDFs at high-x in proton and deuteron;
  - gluon transversity in deuteron.
  - ... **something else, please, propose!**
- The **SPD** gluon physics program is **complementary** to the other intentions to study the gluon content of nuclei (**RHIC, AFTER, EIC**) and mesons (**COMPASS++/AMBER, EIC**).

# REVIEW PAPER IS IN PREPARATION

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## 1 On the physics potential to study the gluon 2 content of proton and deuteron at NICA 3 SPD

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### 5 **Abstract**

6 The Spin Physics Detector at the future NICA collider at JINR (Dubna, Russia) aims for inves-  
7 tigate the nucleon spin structure in collisions of longitudinally and transversely polarized protons  
8 and deuterons at  $\sqrt{s}$  up to 27 GeV and luminosity up to  $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . It will operate as a  
9 universal facility for comprehensive study of unpolarized and polarized gluon content in the pro-  
10 ton and deuteron. Such complementing probes as charmonia, open charm and prompt-photon  
11 production processes will be used for that. Possible physics tasks such as the access to the  
12 gluon helicity, gluon Sivers **and Boer-Mulders** function and gluon transversity in the deuteron  
13 via the measurement of single and double spin asymmetries and other gluon-related tasks will  
14 be discussed.