SPD experiment at JINR

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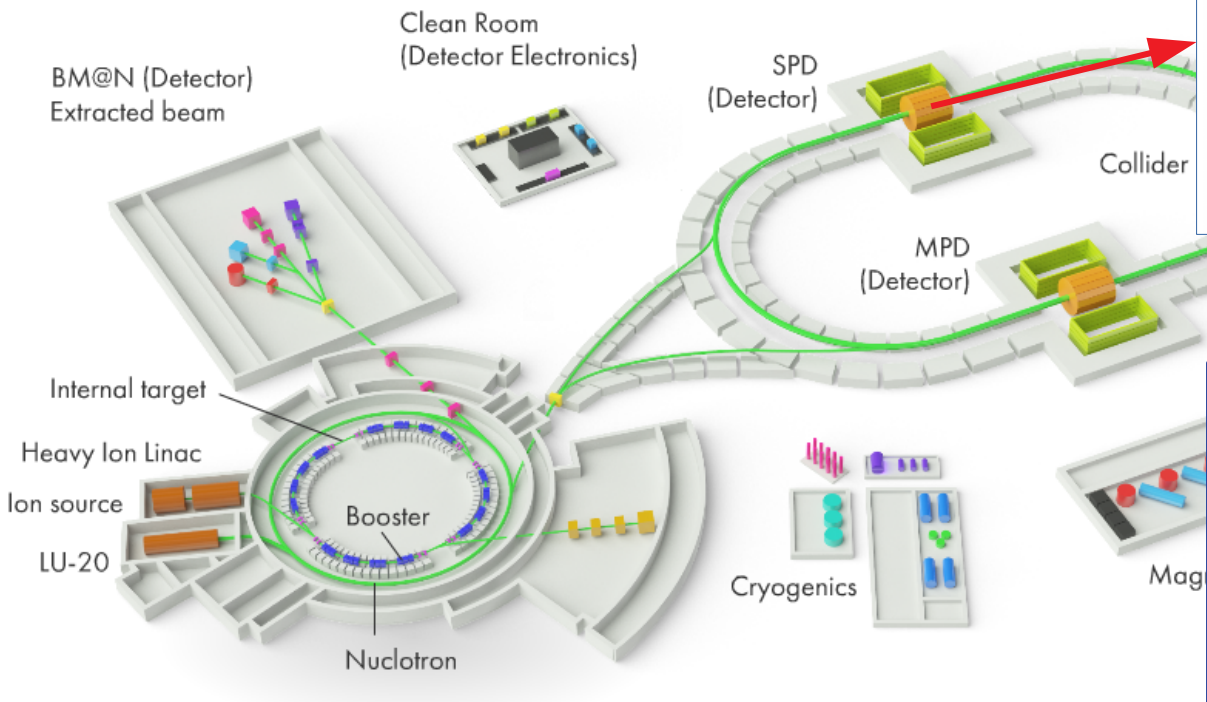
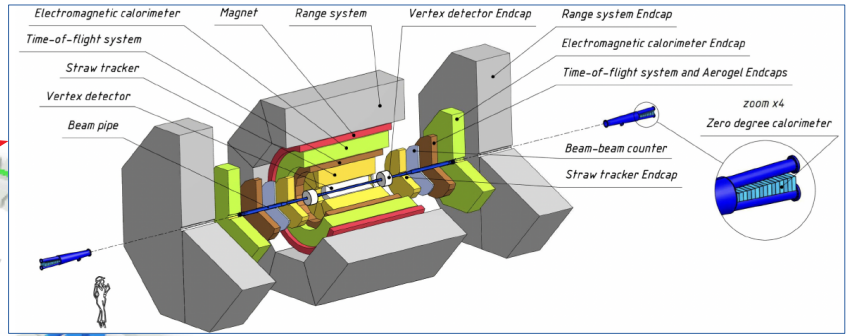
Nuclotron-based Ion Collider fAcility (NICA)

Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (Dubna)



Spin Physics Detector (SPD)



Polarized beams

p↑p↑ at $\sqrt{s_{pp}} \leq$ **27 GeV,** $L_{av} \approx 10^{32}$ **cm^{-2}s^{-1}**

d↑d↑ at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \leq$ **13.5 GeV**

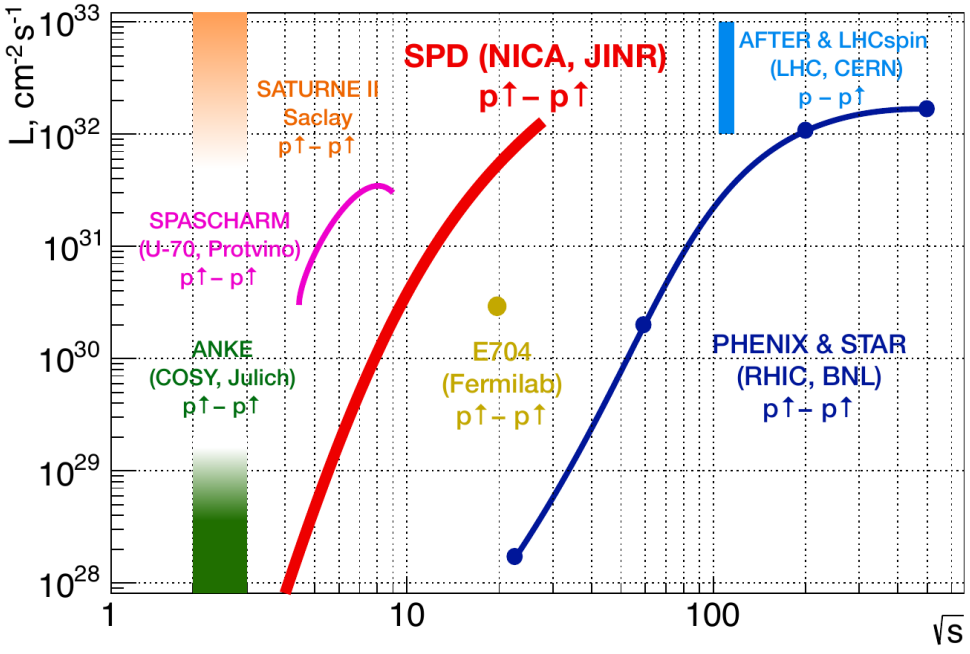
p↑**d↑** at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \leq$ **19 GeV**

longitudinal and transverse polarization (UU, LL, TT, UT, LT) > 70%

Operation: after **2028**

NICA and other facilities

SPD CDR (arXiv:2102.00442)



$p^{\uparrow}p^{\uparrow}$ collision mode

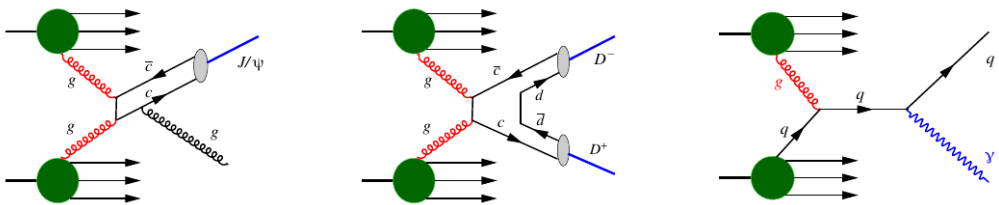
Experimental facility	SPD @NICA [30]	RHIC [29]	EIC [26]	AFTER @LHC [24]	SpinLHC [25]
Scientific center	JINR	BNL	BNL	CERN	CERN
Operation mode	collider	collider	collider	fixed target	fixed target
Colliding particles & polarization	$p^{\uparrow}$-$p^{\uparrow}$ $d^{\uparrow}$-$d^{\uparrow}$ $p^{\uparrow}$-d, p-$d^{\uparrow}$	$p^{\uparrow}$-$p^{\uparrow}$	$e^{\uparrow}$-$p^{\uparrow}$, $d^{\uparrow}$, ^{3}He$^{\uparrow}$	p-$p^{\uparrow}$, $d^{\uparrow}$	p-$p^{\uparrow}$
Center-of-mass energy $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$, GeV	≤27 (p-p) ≤13.5 (d-d) ≤19 (p-d)	63, 200, 500	20-140 (ep)	115	115
Max. luminosity, 10^{32} cm^{-2} s^{-1}	~1 (p-p) ~0.1 (d-d)	2	1000	up to ~10 (p-p)	4.7
Physics run	>2025	running	>2030	>2025	>2025

NICA is unique for double polarized $d^{\uparrow}d^{\uparrow}$ collisions at these energies.

Motivation for the experiment

Main goal of the experiment – spin-dependent gluon structure of proton and deuteron.

- Gluon content of nucleon is poorly understood.
- 3D tomography of gluon proton and deuteron structure in the momentum space (TMD PDFs).
- Three probes of gluon structure chosen in this energy range:



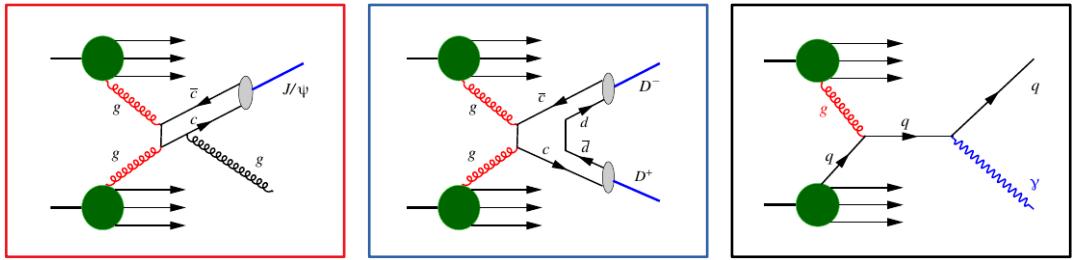
- Measurements at SPD should help to improve our understanding of QCD and resolve spin and mass crises.
- Many other important aspects of QCD to be studied in such collisions.

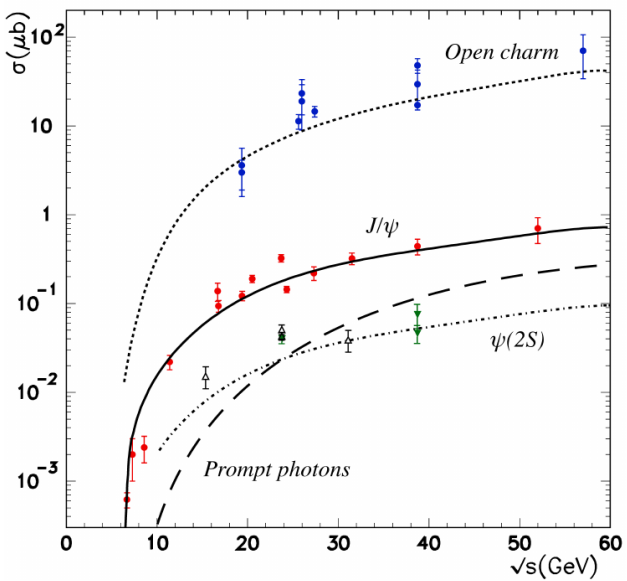
gluon pol.

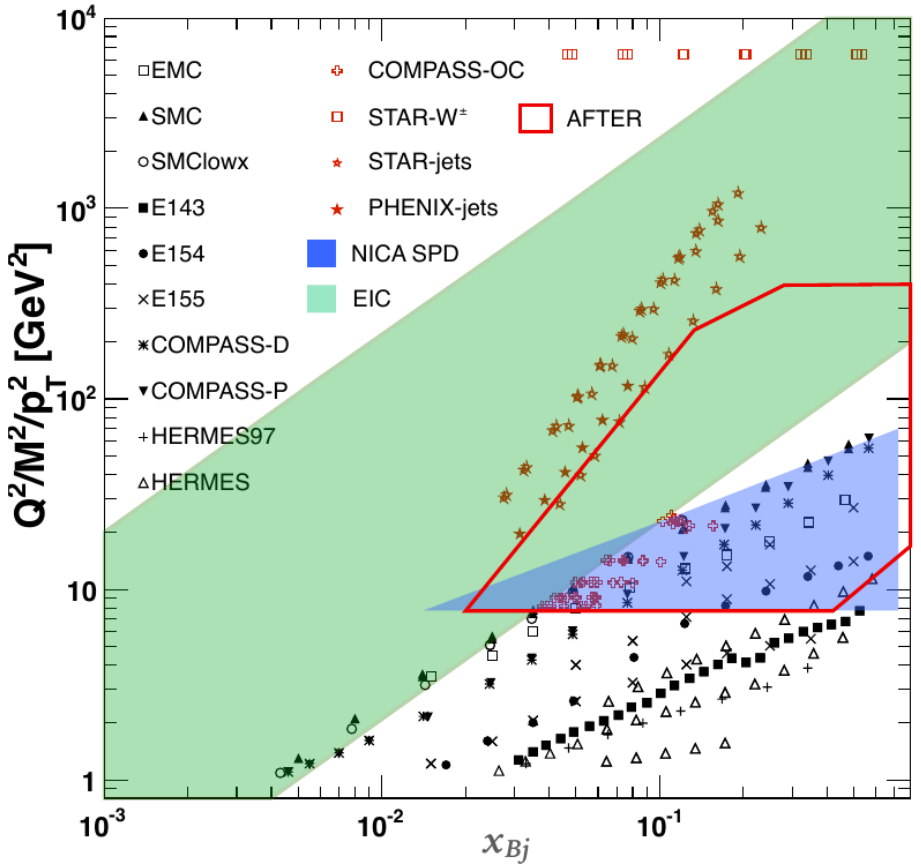
nucleon pol.	U	circular	linear
U	f_1^g		$h_1^{\perp g}$
L		g_1^g	$h_{1L}^{\perp g}$
T	$f_{1T}^{\perp g}$	g_{1T}^g	h_1^g, $h_{1T}^{\perp g}$

Leading twist gluon TMD PDFs

SPD kinematic coverage





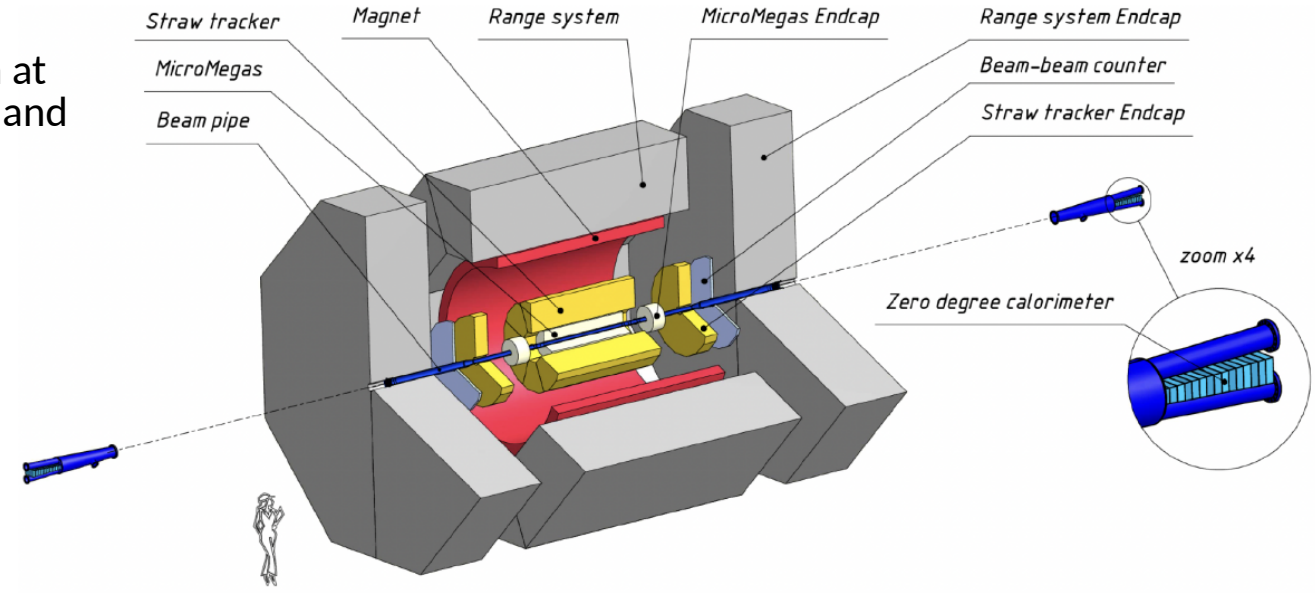


arXiv:2011.15005

SPD initial stage

- Polarized and unpolarized phenomena at low energies (3.4 GeV < $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ < 10 GeV) and reduced luminosity
- p-p, d-d, and ion collisions (up to Ca)
- Simplified detector set-up
- Up to 2 years of data taking

Magnetic field up to **1.2 T**



Range System
muon identification and coarse hadron calorimetry

Straw tracker:
- **σ ~ 150 μm**
- **σ(dE/dx) = 8.5 %**

Micromegas central tracker:
σ ~ 150 μm

BBC and **ZDC** for online polarimetry

SPD initial stage

Physical program:

- spin effects in p-p, p-d, and d-d elastic scattering
- spin effects in hyperon production
- multiquark correlations (SRC)
- dibaryon resonances
- physics of light and intermediate nuclei collisions
- hypernuclei
- open charm and charmonia production near threshold
- large pT hadron production to study diquark structure of proton
- antiproton production measurements for astrophysics and BSM search
- …

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Possible Studies at the First Stage of the NICA Collider Operation with Polarized and Unpolarized Proton and Deuteron Beams

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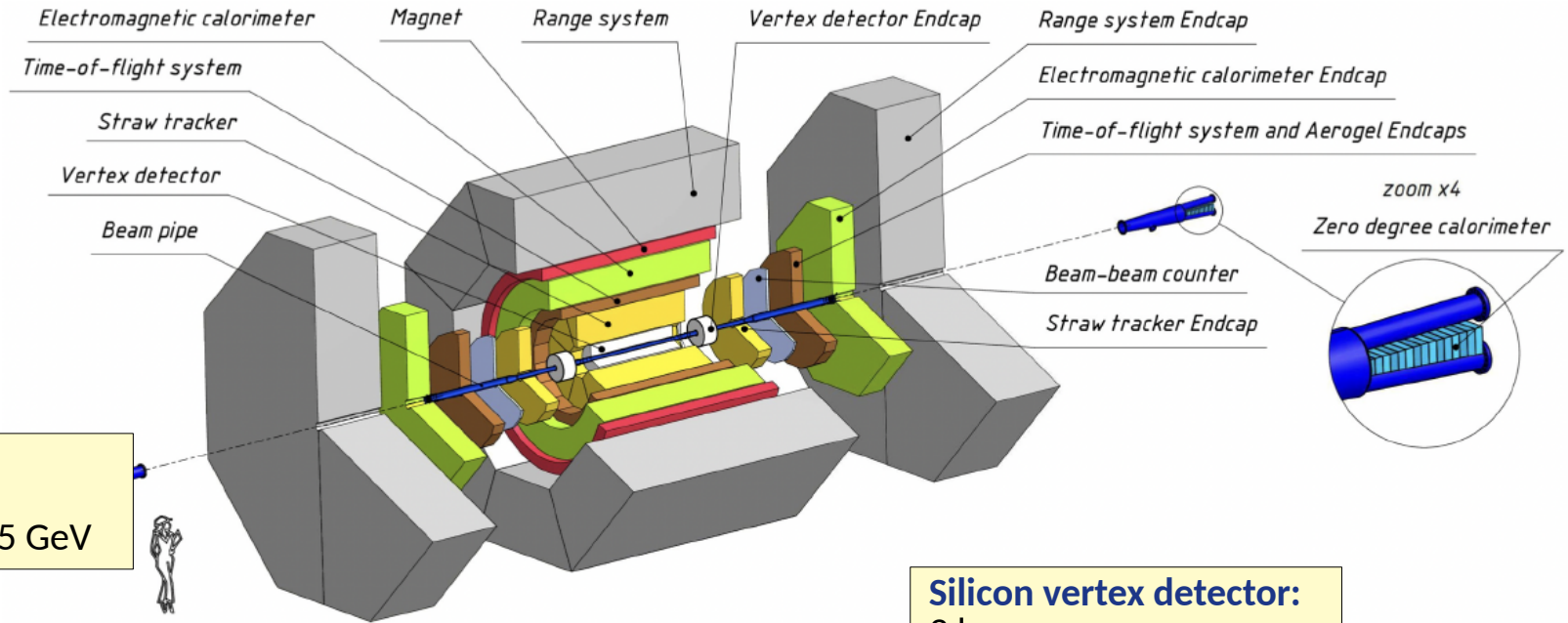
SPD final layout

Electromagnetic calorimeter:
σE/E = 5%/√E ⊕ 1%



Time of flight system:
σ = 50 ps
3σ π/K separation for p < 1.5 GeV

Threshold aerogel counters in endcaps for pion kaon separation in the range
1.0 GeV < p < 2.5 GeV

Silicon vertex detector:
3 layers
- MAPS: **σ = 25 μm**
- DSSD: **σ_φ = 27.4 μm,**
  σ_z = 81.3 μm

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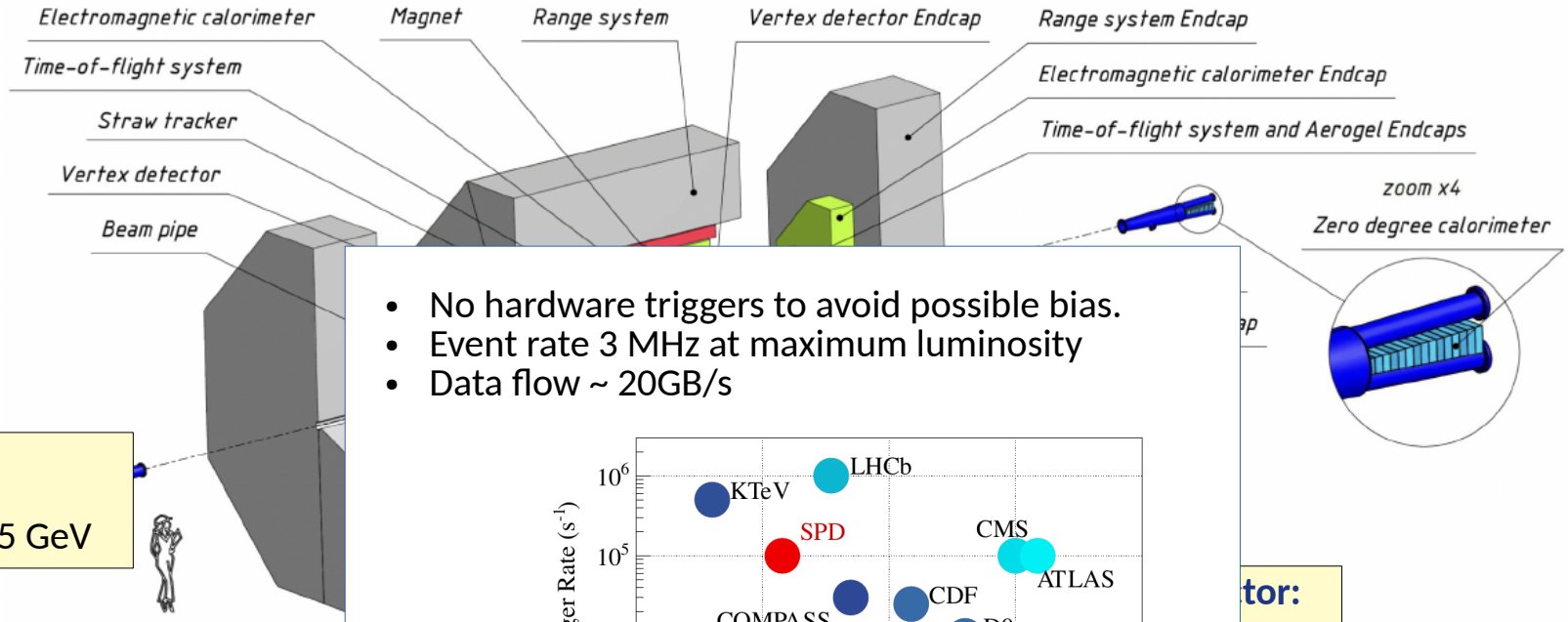

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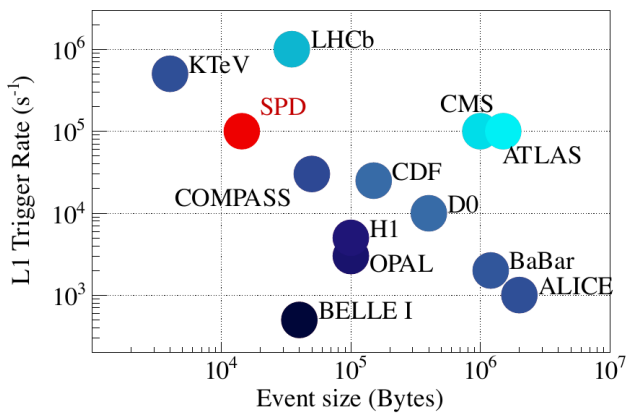
- No hardware triggers to avoid possible bias.
- Event rate 3 MHz at maximum luminosity
- Data flow ~ 20GB/s



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SPD 2-nd stage

Physical program:

- unpolarized and polarized proton and deuteron structure:
  - gluon helicty
  - gluon TMDs (Sivers and Boer-Mulders)
  - gluon transversity and tensor polarized gluon distribution in deuteron
  - unpolarized proton and deuteron gluon PDF at high x
  - non-nucleonic degrees of freedom in deuteron…
- tests of QCD factorization
- charmonia production mechanisms
- …

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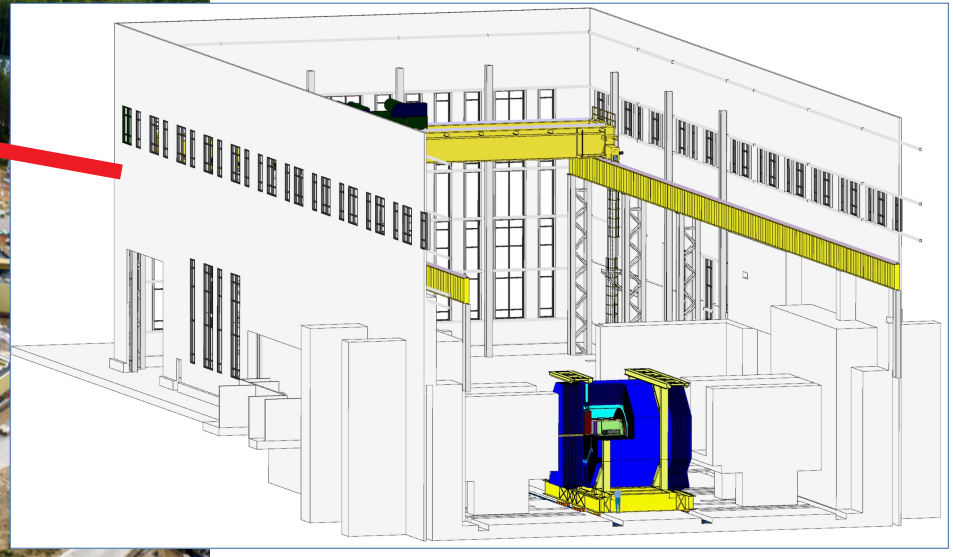
Review

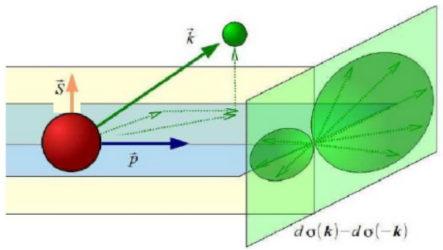
On the physics potential to study the gluon content of proton and deuteron at NICA SPD

A. Arbuzov [a], A. Bacchetta [b, c], M. Butenschoen [d], F.G. Celiberto [b, c, e, f], U. D'Alesio [g, h], M. Deka [a], I. Denisenko [a], M.G. Echevarria [i], A. Efremov [a], N.Ya. Ivanov [a, j], A. Guskov [a, k], A. Karpishkov [l], [a], Ya. Klopot [a, m], B.A. Kniehl [d], A. Kotzinian [j, o], S. Kumano [p], J.P. Lansberg [q], Keh-Fei Liu [r] … O. Teryaev [a]

Construction site

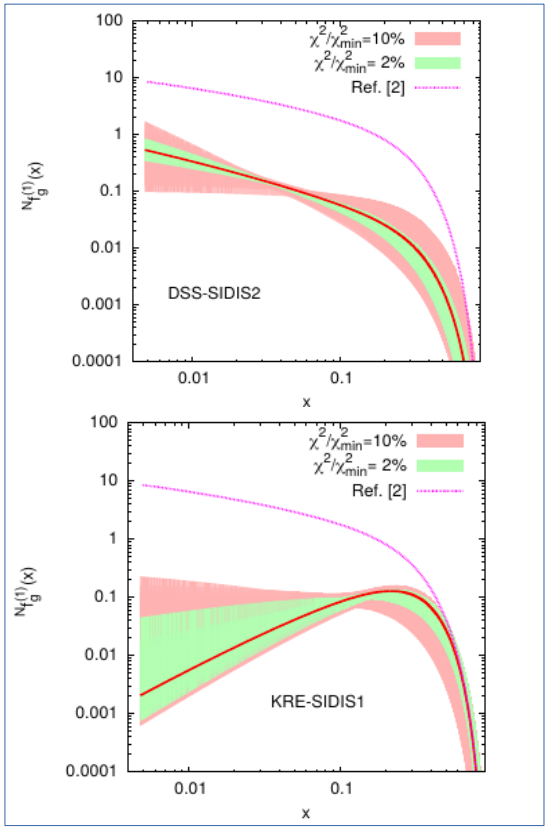


Gluon Sivers function

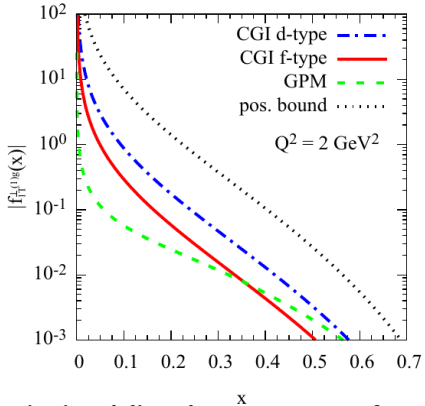


- GSF – correlation between transverse spin and gluon k_T
- Poorly known, extracted in GPM, CGI-GPM and very recently TMD approaches
- Probed by TSSA

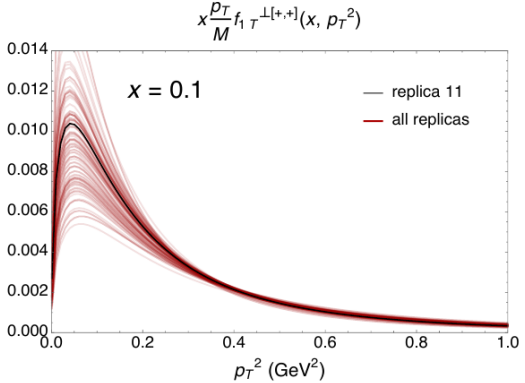
$$\sigma(\phi) \propto 1 + P \cdot A_N \sin(\phi_{\text{pol}} - \phi)$$



First kT moments for GSF, GPM (JHEP09(2015)119))



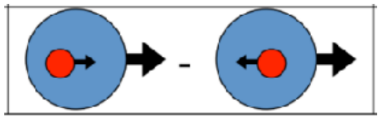
Maximized first kT moments for GSF, CGI-GPM (PRD99, 036013 (2019))



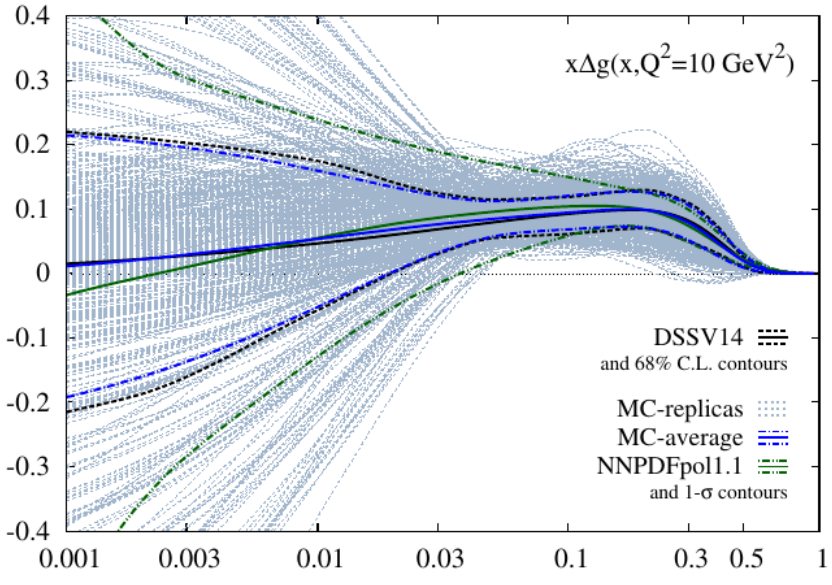
p_T-dependence for f-type Sivers TMD in the **spectator model**, Bacchetta, Celiberto, Radici, 2022

Gluon helicity distribution

$\Delta g(x)$:



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



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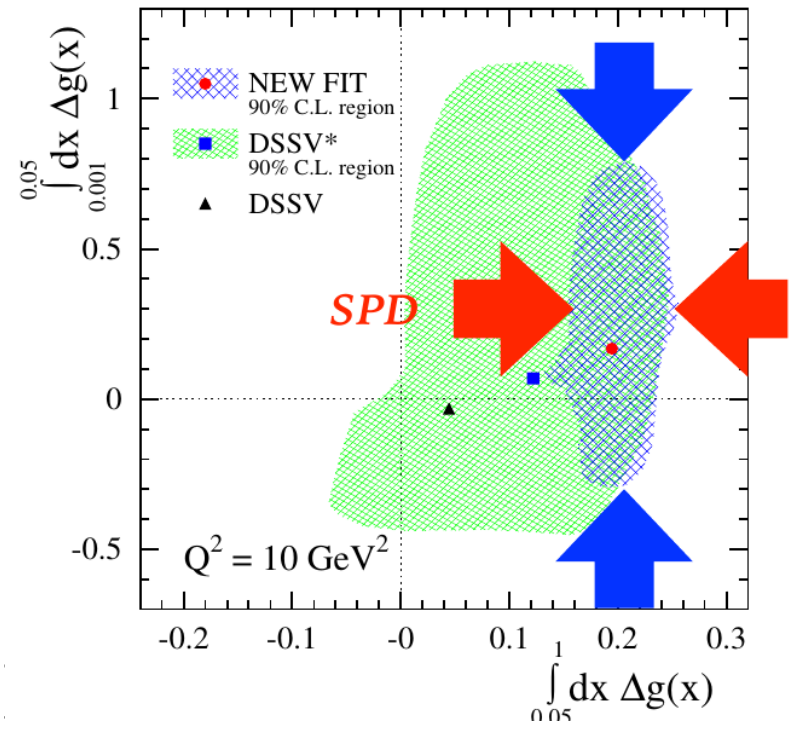


Charmonia production as a probe of gluon TMD PDFs

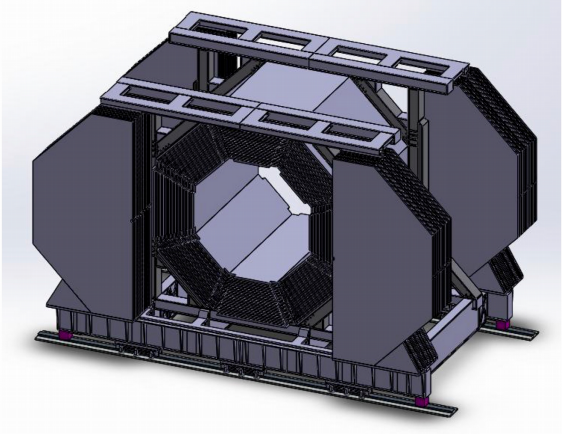
Charmonia production

- dominated by gluon-gluon fusion
- high cross-section
- J/ψ can be easily reconstructed from the $\mu^+\mu^-$ decay, ψ(2S) and χ_{cJ} can be reconstructed based on this decay
- hadronization of $c\bar{c}$ pair is not well understood theoretically:
  - (Improved) Color Evaporation Model
  - CSM
  - NRQCD
- TMD factorization is not always possible
- η_c might be the best probe, but its observation is challenging experimentally
- the J/ψ signal is "contaminated" by feed-down contributions

Charmonia production at SPD

- High statistics: 12 million inclusive $J/\psi(\rightarrow\mu^+\mu^-)$ events per year
- Wide kinematic coverage
- Ability to measure also production properties of ψ(2S), χ_{c1} and χ_{c2}
- Strategy is to obtain all possible measurements in the wide kinematic range
- Constrain both theoretical approaches and PDFs
- Our p_T are mostly below $M_{J/\psi}$
- NRQCD LDME → shape functions (Echevarria, 2019)

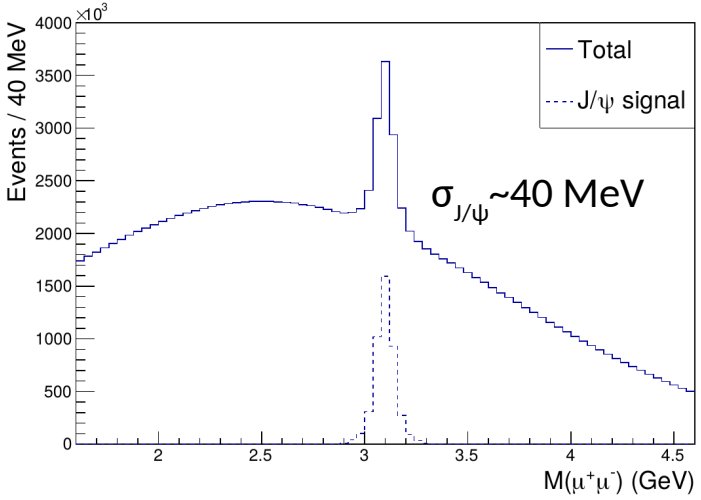
Inclusive J/ψ measurements

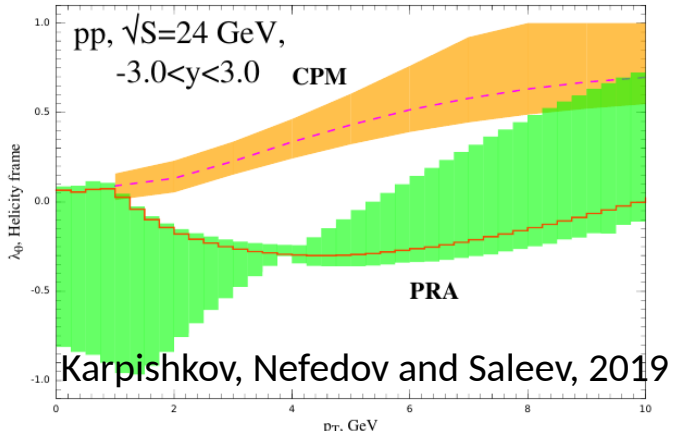


- Reconstruction efficiency: ~40%
- Statistics: ~ 4.5–5.0 M (selected events) per year
- Large background due to pion decays and muon misidentification in RS

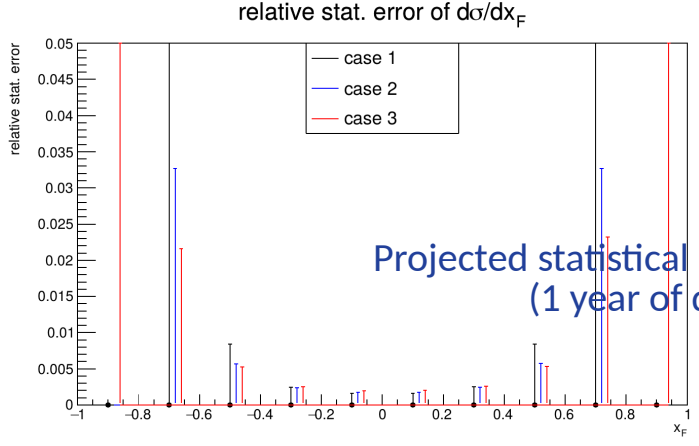
Observables:

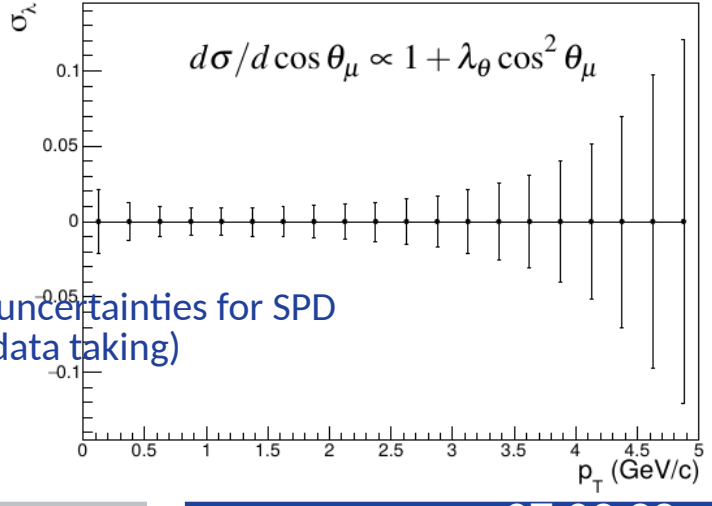
- cross-section, p_T-, x_F-dependencies
- polarization
- asymmetries





Karpishkov, Nefedov and Saleev, 2019





Projected statistical uncertainties for SPD
(1 year of data taking)

A_N for inclusive J/ψ production

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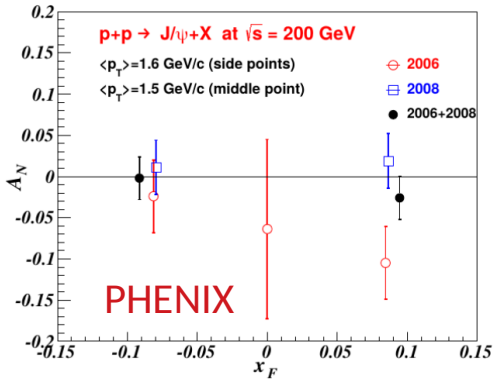

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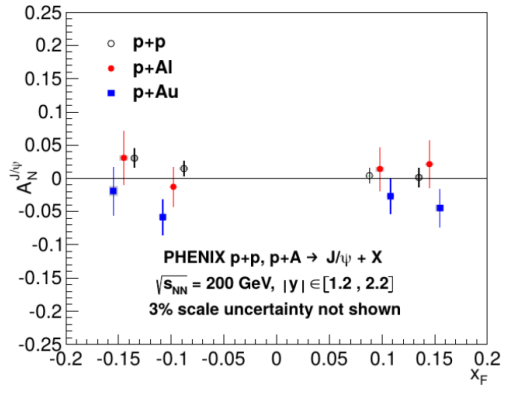
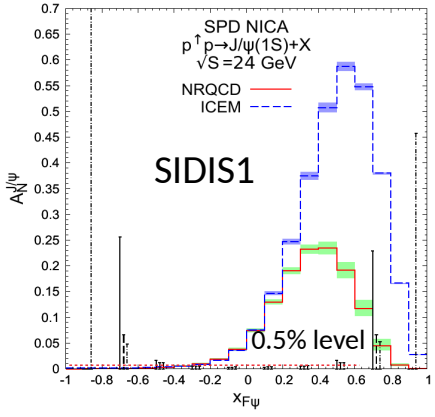
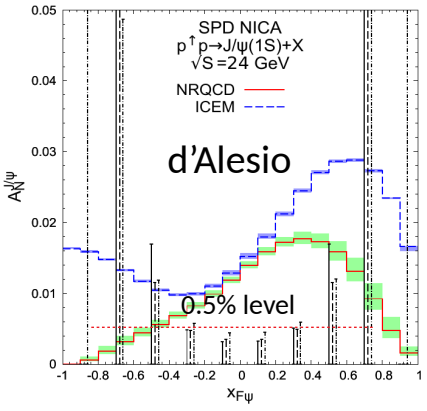


PRD98, 012006 (2018)

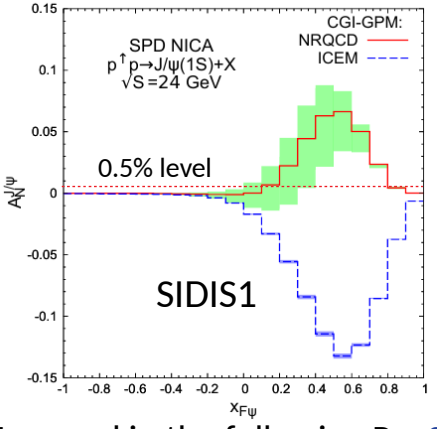
Projected stat. uncertainties and predictions from PRD104, 016008 (2021)

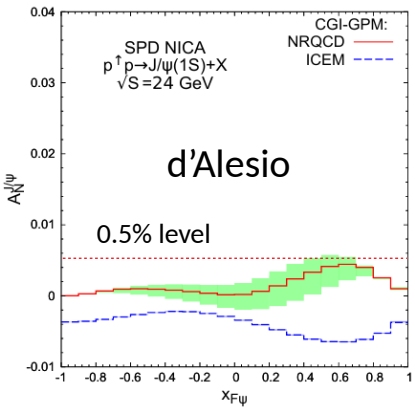
GPM





CGI-GPM



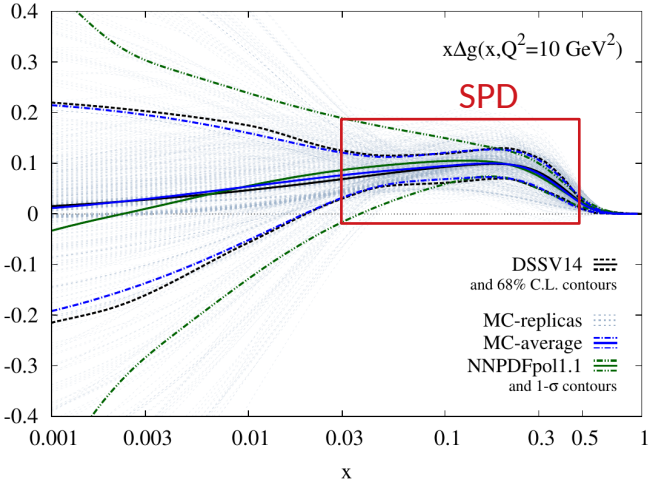


Here and in the following P = 0.7 and is assumed constant during the run.

A_{LL} for inclusive J/ψ production

$$A_{LL}^{J/\psi} = \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma} = \frac{\sigma^{++} - \sigma^{+-}}{\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{+-}}$$

$$A_{LL}^{J/\psi} \approx \frac{\Delta g(x_1)}{g(x_1)} \otimes \frac{\Delta g(x_2)}{g(x_2)} \otimes \hat{a}_{LL}^{gg \to J/\psi + X}$$



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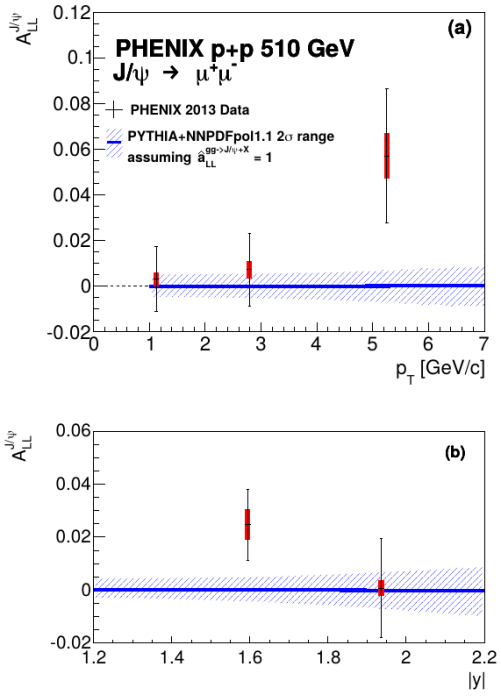
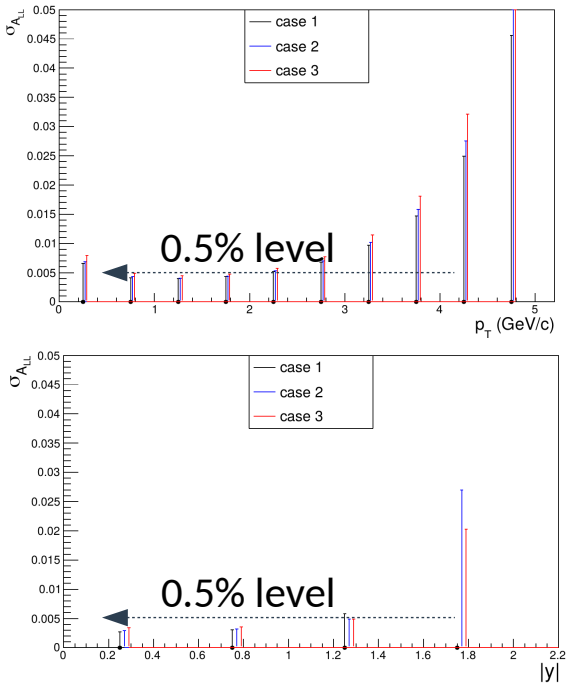


$x_1 \sim 5 \times 10^{-2}$
$x_2 \sim 2 \times 10^{-3}$

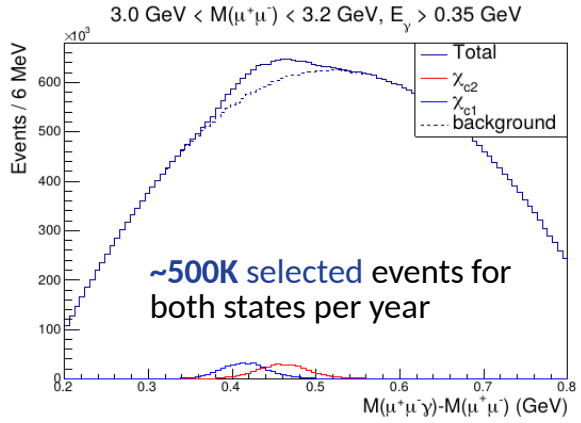
Projected statistical uncertainties for SPD

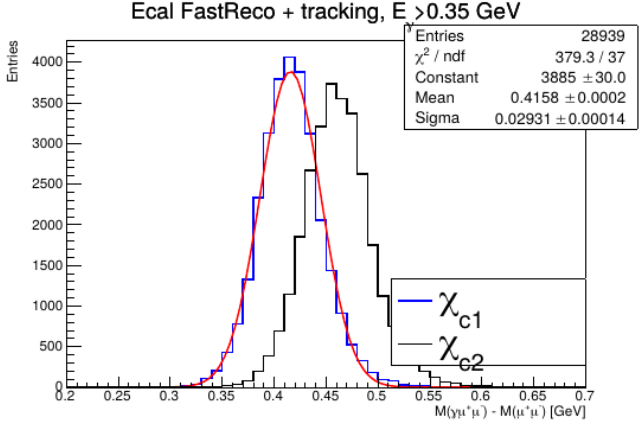


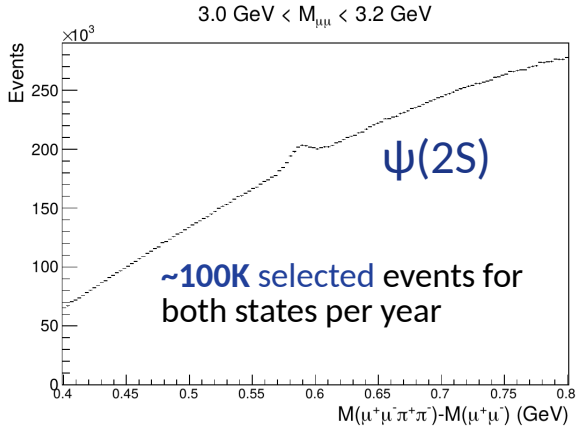
- |y|<2 is covered
- At SPD both $\Delta g(x_1)$ and $\Delta g(x_2)$ are expected to be close to the maximum
- A measurable A_{LL} of the order of 1-10% can be expected

On other measurements with charmonia

χ_{c1} and χ_{c2}

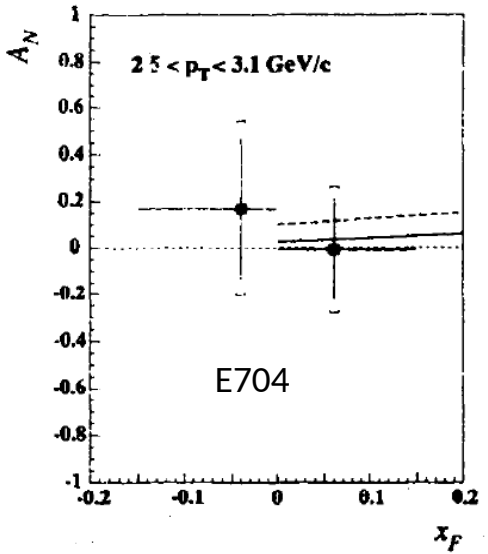






- $\eta_c \to p\bar{p}$, $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$?
  - 500K selected events for $\eta_c \to p\bar{p}$
  - huge background
- Double J/ψ production
  - 50-100 events/year for both J/ψ dilepton decay modes

Prompt photons: A_N



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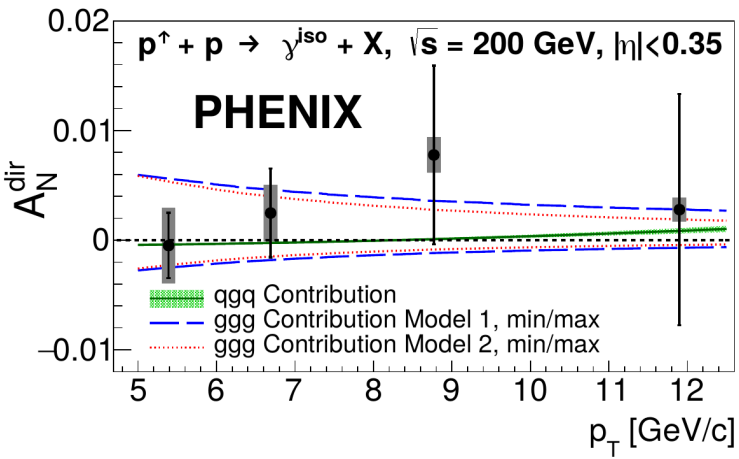

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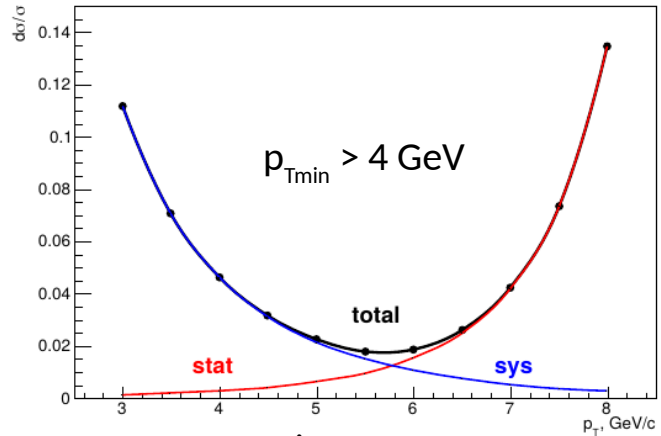

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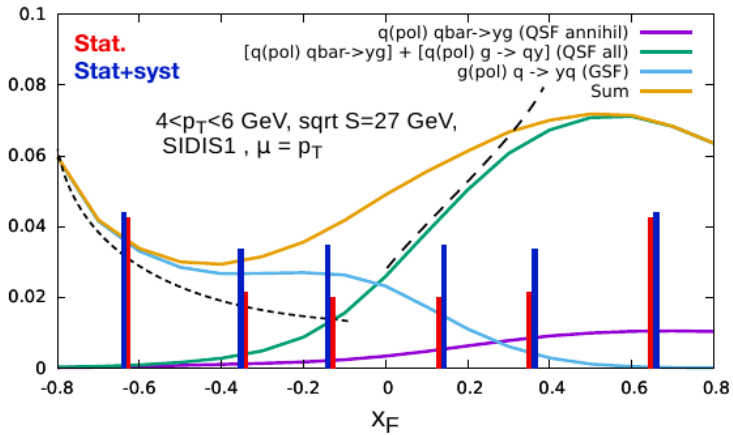


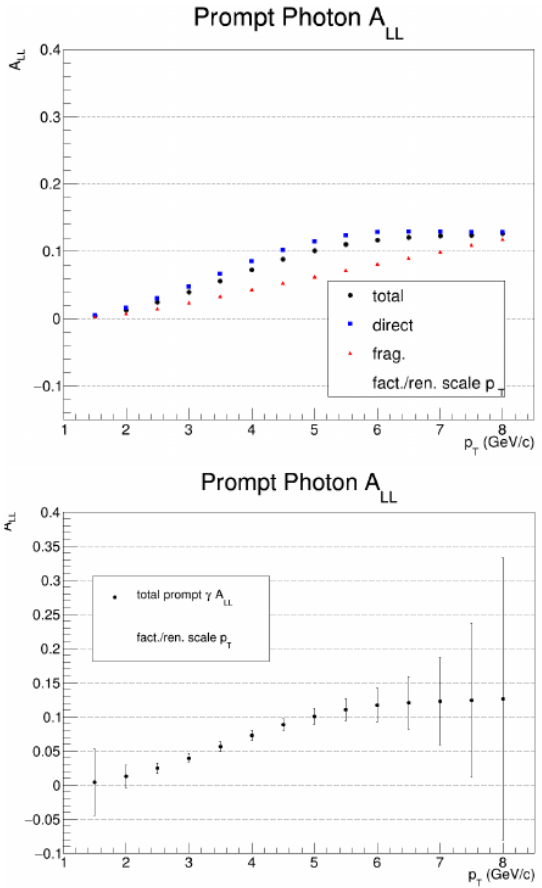
Predictions: Saleev, Shipilova, 2020

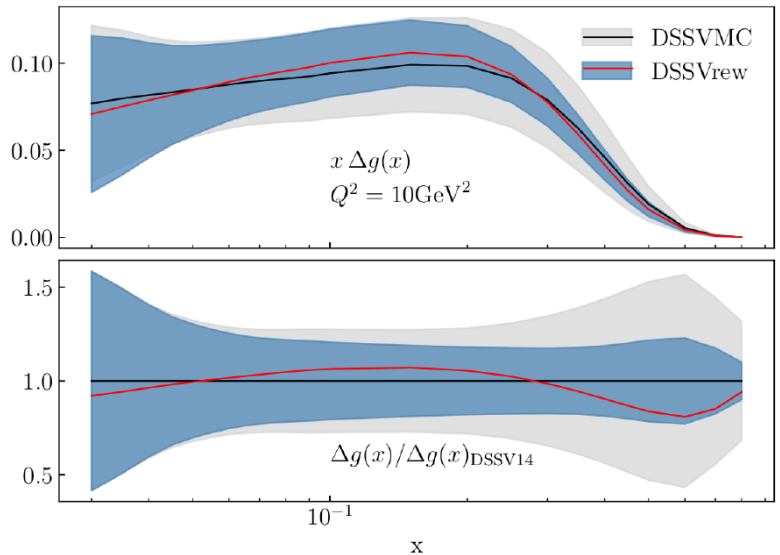
Prompt photons: A_{LL}

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

Impact of SPD data is estimated by

- generating “SPD data” according to current PDFs (NLO, NNPDF3.0, DSSV2014) – W. Vogelsong, 2021
- prescribing errors estimated for 1 year data taking at SPD with √s = 27 GeV
- Bayesian reweighing of MC replicas

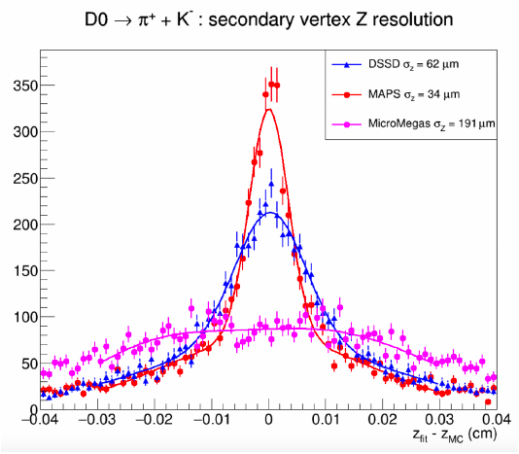


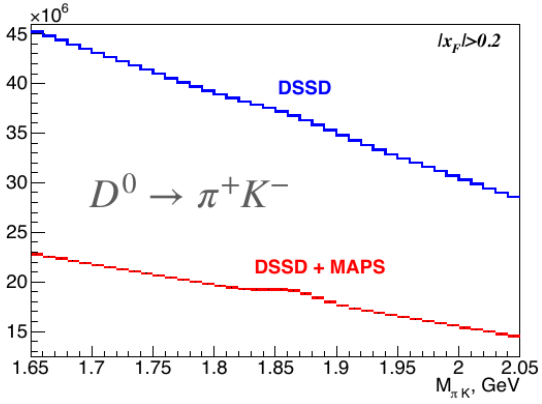


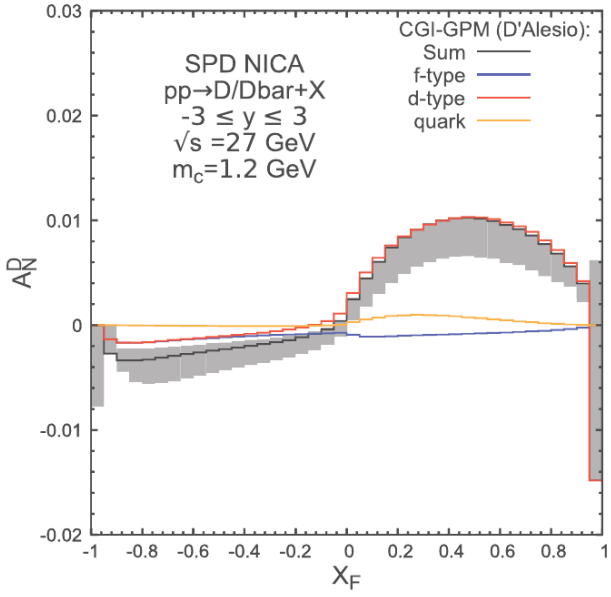
Predictions with new “data” added (top) and ration of the uncertainties (bottom). Courtesy R. Sassot, I. Borsa, 2021.

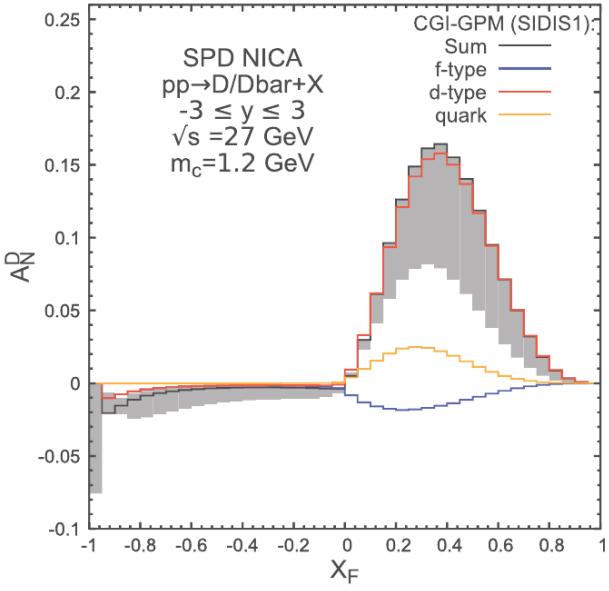
Uncertainties are reduced by factor of 2 for 0.5 < x < 0.8

Measurements with D mesons





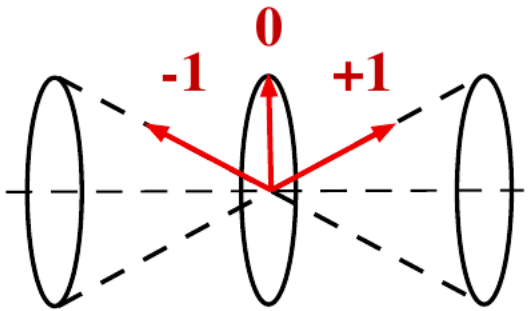




- Predictions for A_N: CGI-GPM, Saleev et. al
- D meson pair production – probe Boer-Mulders function
- Interpretation requires FF
- Ongoing work to specify expected precision of our measurements

Deuteron gluon structure

$\sigma(x_F, p_T)$, vector and tensor angular asymmetries



Nonbaryonic content of deuteron:

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

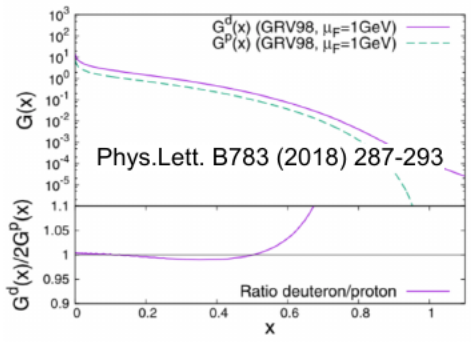
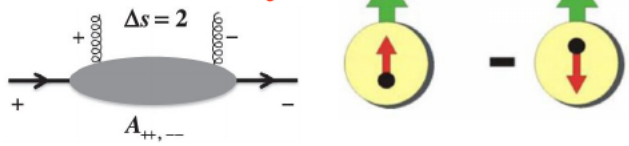
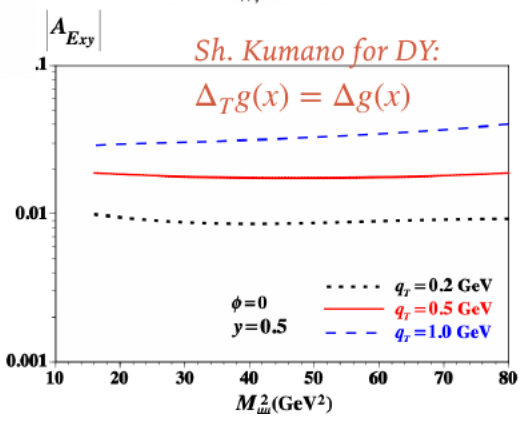


Fig. 6. Gluon PDF in the deuteron and in the nucleon.

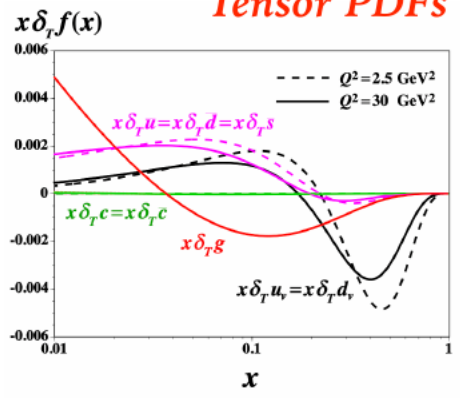
Gluon transversity



Unpolarized gluons at high x:



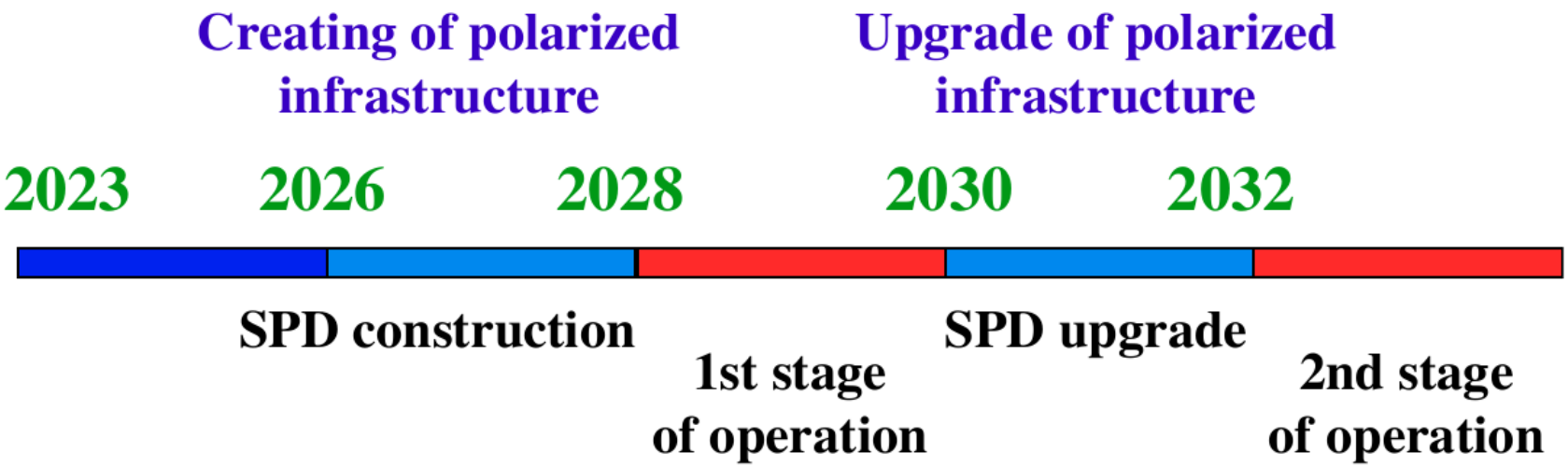
Tensor PDFs



Running strategy

Physics goal	Required time	Experimental conditions
First stage		
Spin effects in p-p scattering dibaryon resonanses	0.3 year	$p_{L,T}$-$p_{L,T}$, $\sqrt{s}$ <7.5 GeV
Spin effects in p-d scattering, non-nucleonic structure of deuteron, $\bar{p}$ yield	0.3 year	d_{tensor}-p, $\sqrt{s}$ <7.5 GeV
Spin effects in d-d scattering hypernuclei	0.3 year	d_{tensor}-d_{tensor}, $\sqrt{s}$ <7.5 GeV
Hyperon polarization, SRC, ... multiquarks	together with MPD	ions up to Ca
Second stage		
Gluon TMDs, SSA for light hadrons	1 year	p_T-p_T, $\sqrt{s}$ =27 GeV
TMD-factorization test, SSA, charm production near threshold, onset of deconfinment, $\bar{p}$ yield	1 year	p_T-p_T, 7 GeV< $\sqrt{s}$ <27 GeV (scan)
Gluon helicity, ...	1 year	p_L-p_L, $\sqrt{s}$ =27 GeV
Gluon transversity, non-nucleonic structure of deuteron, "Tensor porlarized" PDFs	1 year	d_{tensor}-d_{tensor}, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 13.5$ GeV or/and d_{tensor}-p_T, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 19$ GeV

Tentative operating plan



Summary

- The SPD experiment is a comprehensive facility to study **polarized** and **unpolarized gluon content** of **proton** and **deuteron** in p-p and d-d collisions with **√s up to 27 GeV**.
- The detector is optimized for three complementary probes: charmonia production, prompt photons, and D-meson production.
- SPD can contribute to:
  - gluon TMD (Sivers and Boer-Mulders)
  - gluon helicity PDF
  - unpolarized gluon PDFs of proton and deuteron
  - gluon transversity in deuteron
  - …
- Apart from that, the SPD physics program covers large variety of different aspects of QCD during the initial and final stages of the experiment.
- The physical program of SPD experiment with respect to nucleon gluon content is complementary to those of experiments at RHIC, EIC, and proposed fixed target program at LHC (AFTER, LHC-Spin).

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