

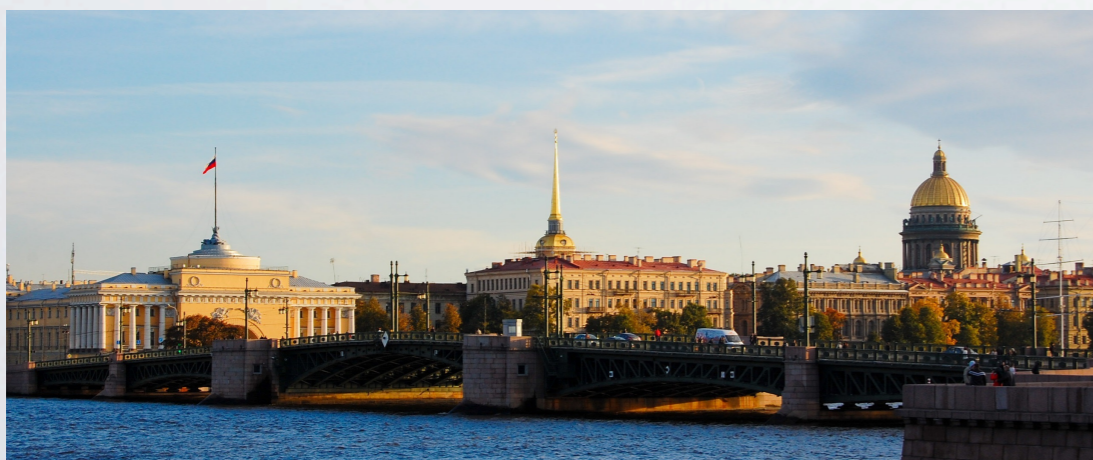


Physics with SPD experiment at NICA Collider

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Nuclear physics and elementary
particle physics. Nuclear physics
technologies”**



**Spin Physics Detector (SPD) (<http://spd.jinr.ru>):
a universal particle physics facility at NICA collider.**

→ Main SPD goal:

understanding of the strong interactions using both polarized and unpolarized pp- and dd- collisions at \sqrt{s} up to 27 GeV with high-luminosity.

To this end, it will be studied 3D quark-gluon structure of proton and deuteron with emphasis of gluon PDF and TMDs at high x.

→ In addition, it will be carried out a comprehensive program, at the initial period of SPD data taking, for a broad range of particle and nuclear physics

**Parton distribution function (PDF)
Transverse momentum distribution (TMD)**

NICA: Nuclotron-based Ion Collider Facility

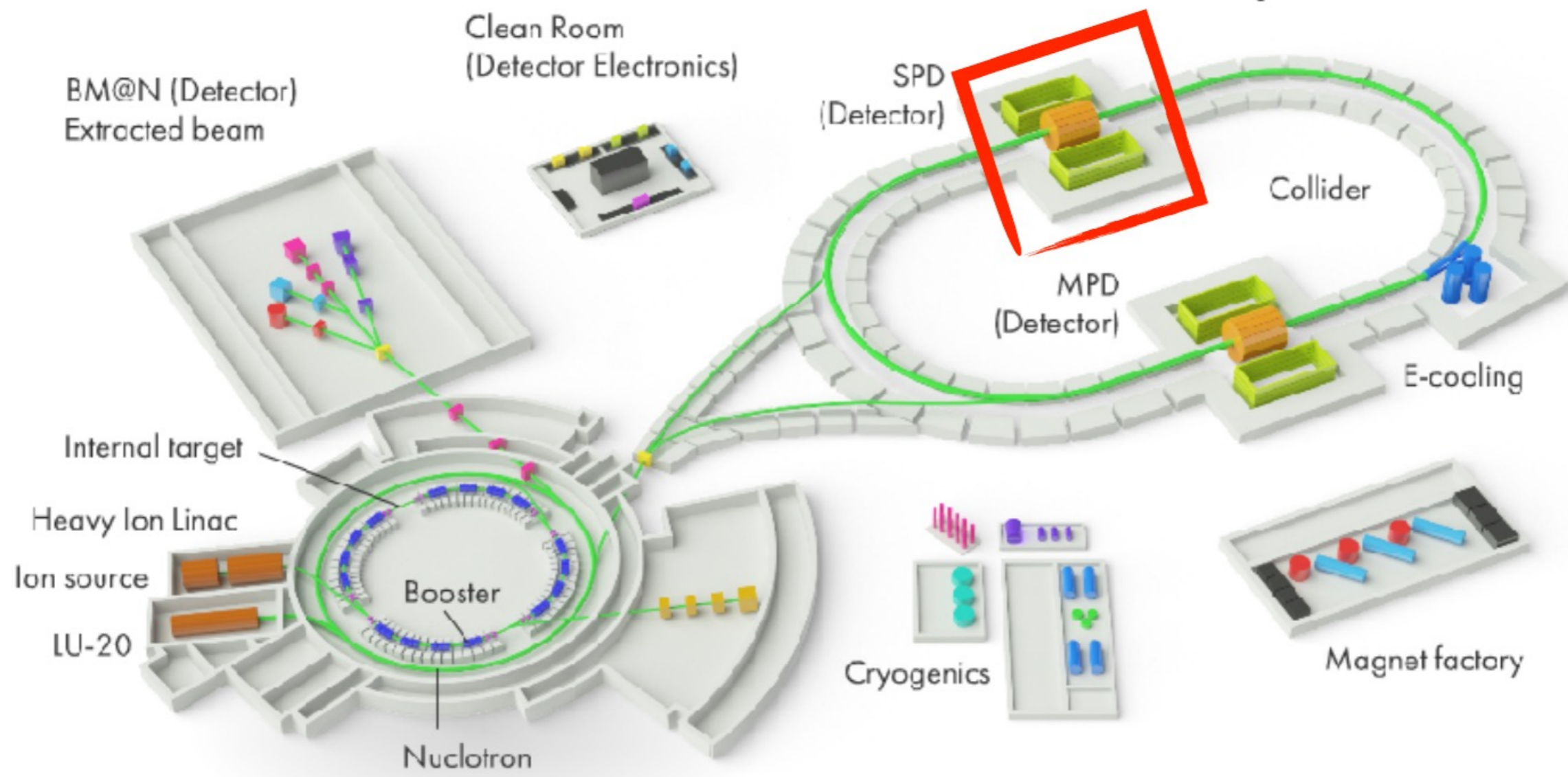
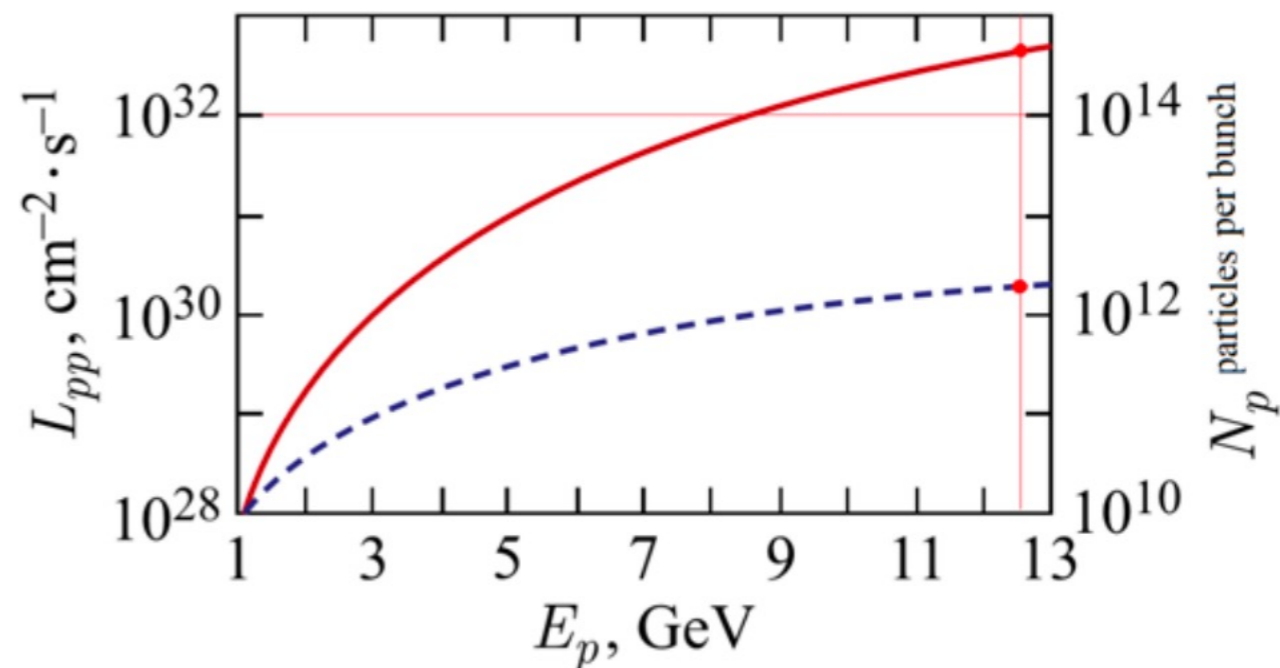
$$p^\uparrow p^\uparrow : \sqrt{s} \leq 27 \text{ GeV}$$

$$d^\uparrow d^\uparrow : \sqrt{s} \leq 13.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$d^\uparrow p^\uparrow : \sqrt{s} \leq 19 \text{ GeV}$$

U, L, T

|P| > 70%

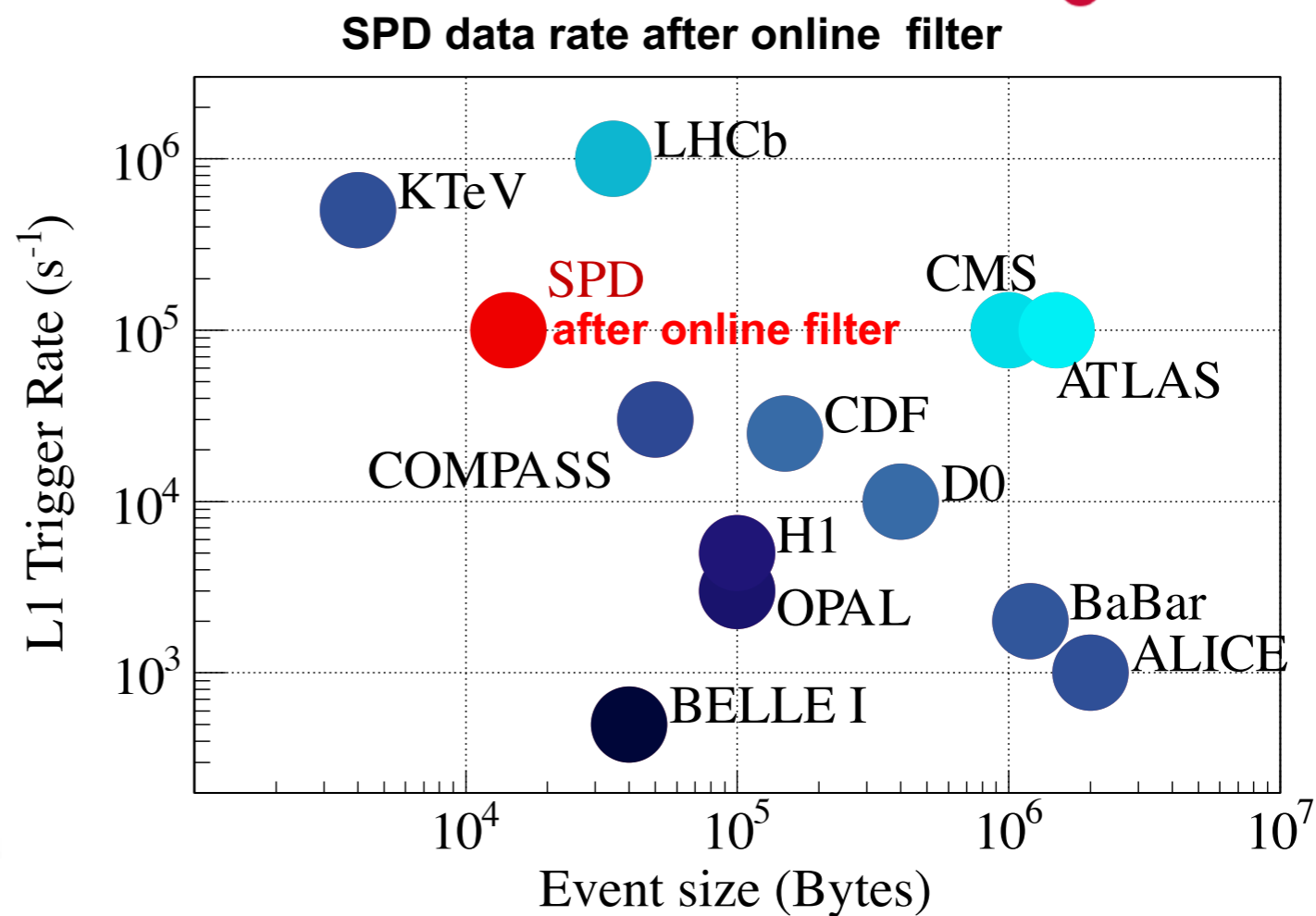
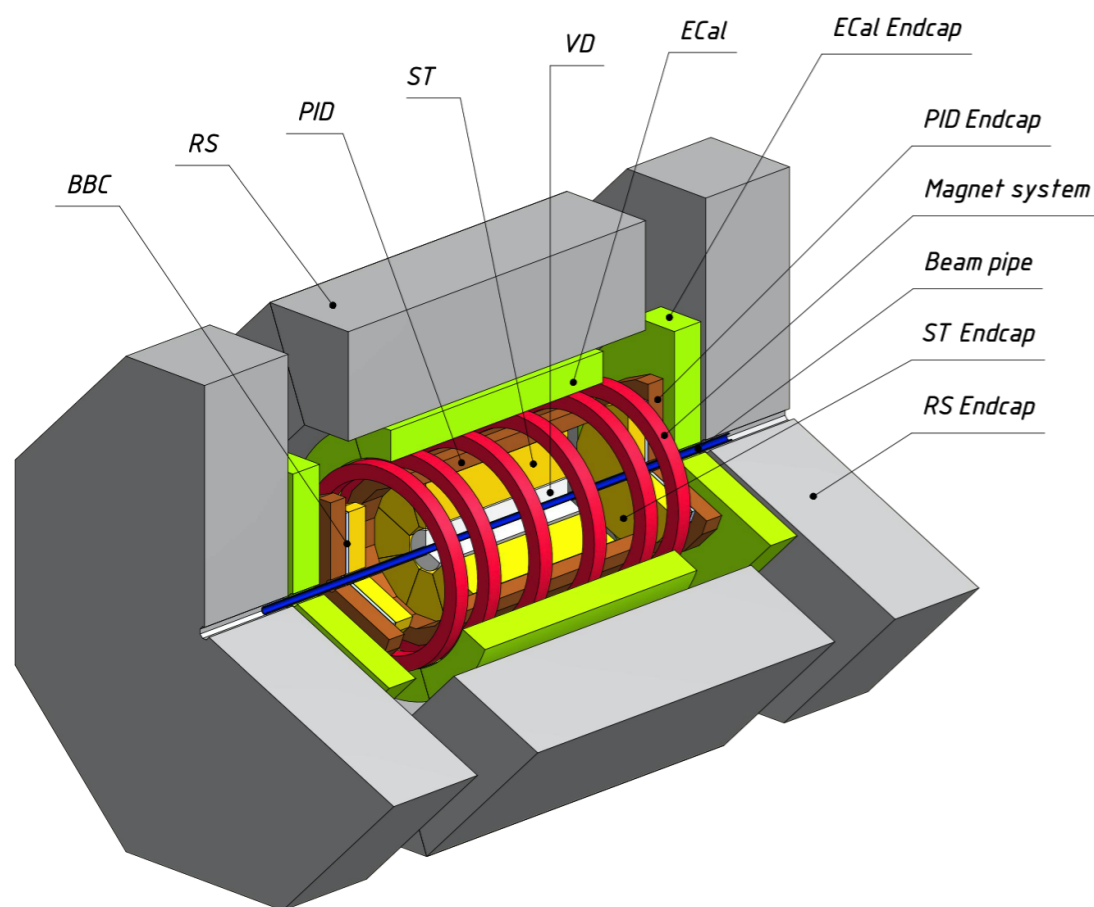


NICA site at JINR, Dubna: May 2021



SPD detector data flow

No hardware trigger at the SPD detector to avoid a possible bias:
3 MHz event/s at 10^{32} cm²/s design luminosity
20 GB/s \rightarrow $3 \cdot 10^3$ events/year \rightarrow 200 PB/year

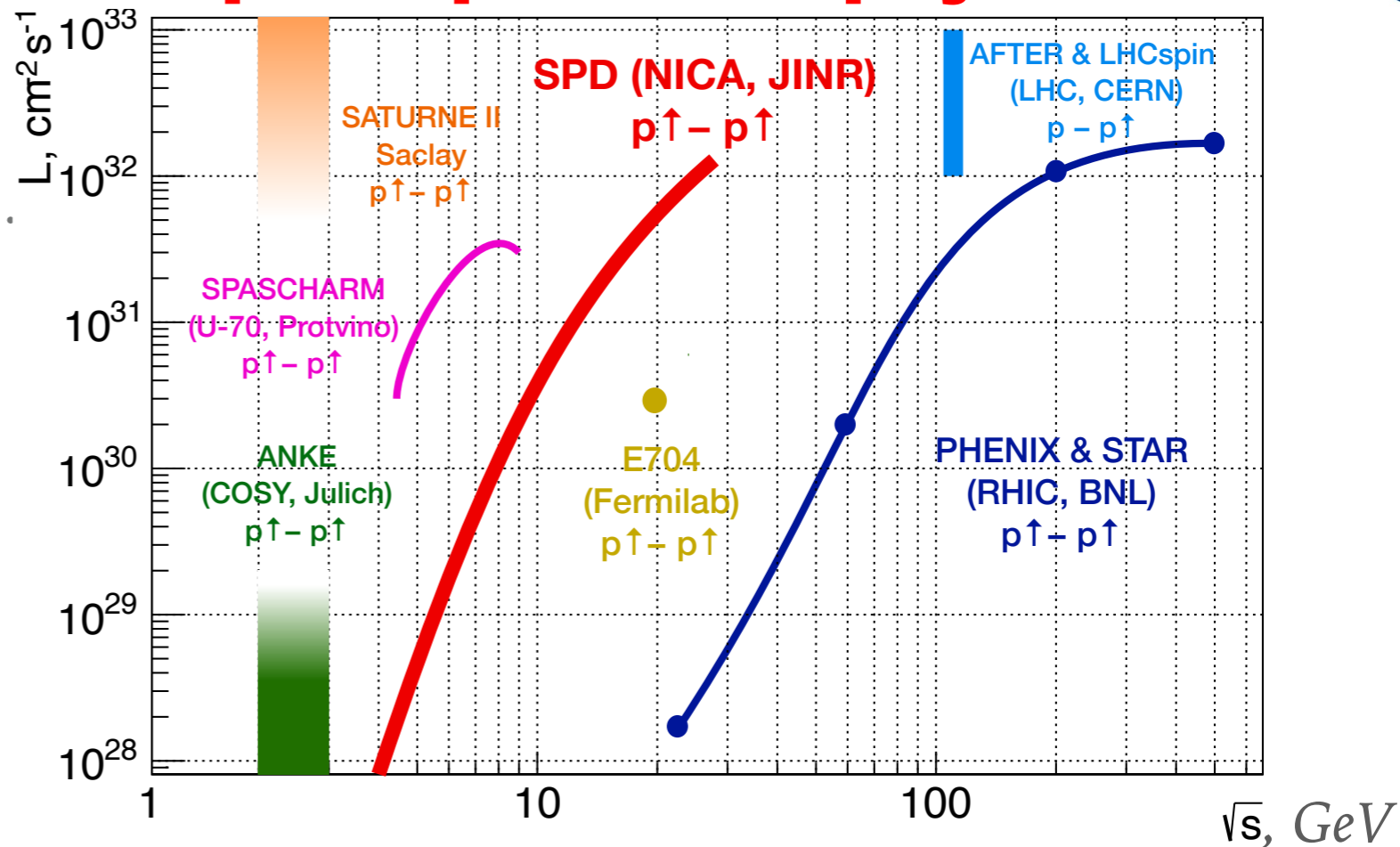


The SPD setup is a medium scale detector in size, but a large scale one in data rate!

Comparable in data rate with ATLAS and CMS at LHC

SPD in World landscape of polarized physics

$p\uparrow p\uparrow$ -mode \rightarrow



Experimental facility	SPD @NICA	RHIC	EIC	AFTER @LHC	LHCspin
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 - $d\uparrow$	$p\uparrow$ - $p\uparrow$	$e\uparrow$ - $p\uparrow$, $d\uparrow$, ${}^3\text{He}\uparrow$	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, $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	~ 1 (p - p) ~ 0.1 (d - d)	2	1000	up to ~ 10 (p - p)	4.7
Physics run	>2025	running	>2030	>2025	>2025

\leftarrow SPD is unique in $d\uparrow d\uparrow$ -mode!

SPD project timeline



2007 Idea of SPD project is included to NICA activities at JINR

2014 SPD Letter of Intent is approved by JINR PAC

2016, 2018 SPD-oriented workshops in Prague

**2019 SPD project is approved by JINR PAC (up to 2022)
The 1st SPD proto-Collaboration meeting**

2020 Completion of SPD Conceptual Design Report
<http://arxiv.org/abs/2102.00442>
Two SPD-physics papers were submitted for publication

2021 SPD Collaboration is established
Preparation of SPD Technical Design Report is started

2025+ Start of SPD operation



Spin Physics
Detector



The NICA-SPD Collaboration, July 2021



- Armenia
- Belarus
- Chile
- China
- Cuba
- Czechia
- Egypt
- France
- Italy
- Poland
- Russia
- Serbia
- South Africa
- Ukraine

33 laboratories and individual contributors from 14 countries

~ 300 participants



- ▶ **Spin Physics Detector (SPD) at NICA** (<http://spd.jinr.ru>):
a universal setup for comprehensive study of
polarized and unpolarized gluon content of proton and deuteron
in polarized and unpolarized high-luminosity pp- and dd- collisions at $\sqrt{s} \leq 27$ GeV
- ▶ **Complementing main probes: charmonia (J/Psi, higher states),**
open charm and direct photons in inclusive and semi-inclusive modes
- ▶ **SPD can reveal significant insights on:**
 - **gluon helicity structure**
 - **unpolarized gluon PDF at high x in proton and deuteron**
 - **gluon transversity in deuteron**
- ▶ **Comprehensive physics program for the initial period of data taking**
(can be performed even at reduced energy and luminosity)



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Review

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

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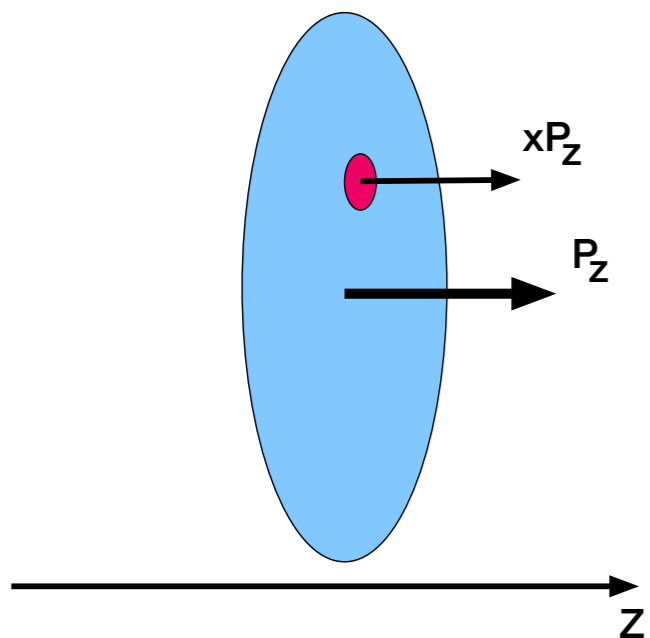
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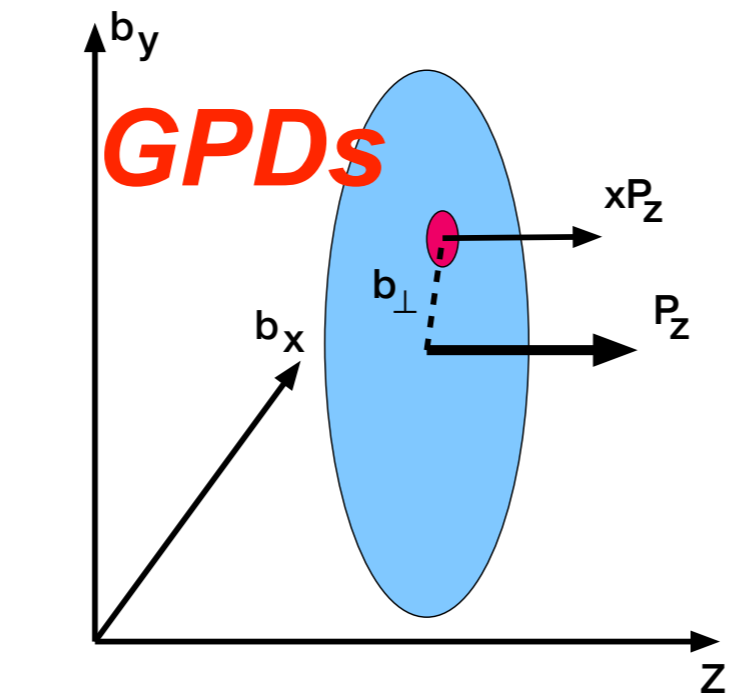
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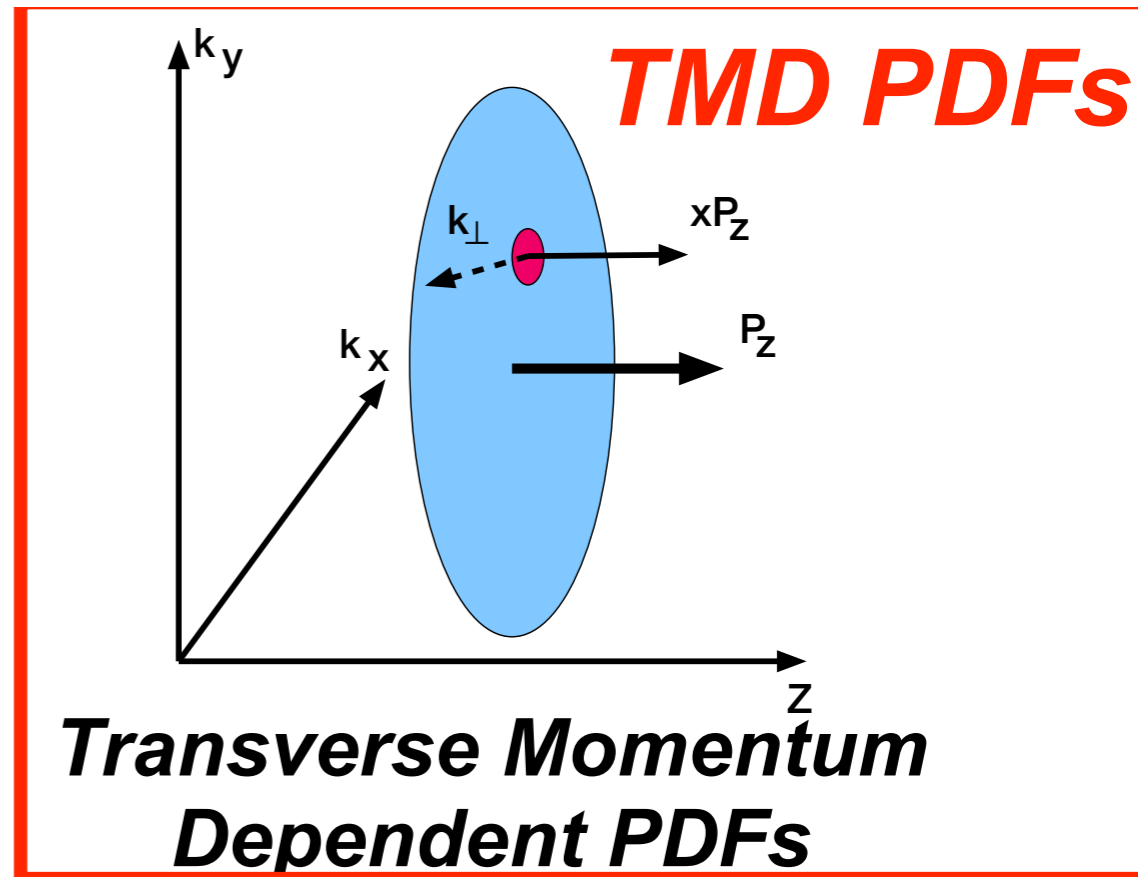
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*Collinear approximation
(common PDF)*



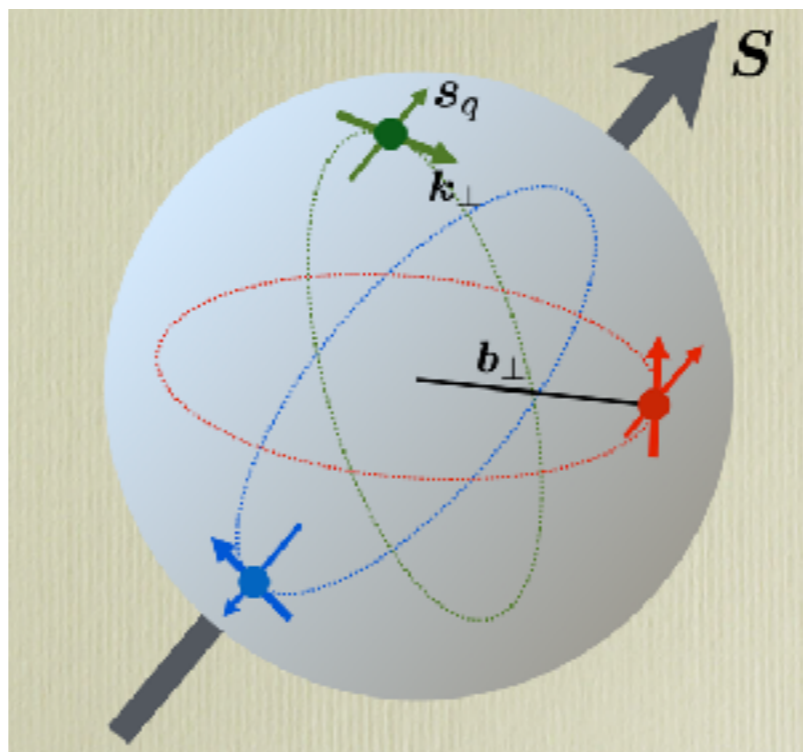
Generalized Parton Distributions



Transverse Momentum Dependent PDFs

TMD PDFs

3D structure of nucleon



connection to orbital moment

Parton 1D-distributions:

Integrated over k_T PDF: $f(x; \log Q^2)$ \leftarrow modulo $\log Q^2$ - DGLAP evolution

Extension to parton 3D-distributions:

- ▶ Generalized parton distributions (GPDs): $G(x, b, n; \log Q^2)$
 b - impact parameter, n – unit vector
- ▶ Unintegrated over k_T PDF: $\Phi(x, k_T, n; \log Q^2)$ (two theory approaches):
 - \rightarrow Unintegrated collinear PDF (uPDF)
 - \rightarrow Transverse momentum distribution (TMD)

Nucleon (N) with momentum P and spin polarization $S=(U,L,T)$

New information in quark TMD of nucleon: $\Phi^q(x, P, S)$

$\Phi^q(x, P, S)$ contains time-even functions:

$f^q(x, kT)$ ← unpolarized quarks in unpolarized N ← density

$g_L^q(x, kT)$ ← L-polarized (chiral) quarks in L-polarized N ← helicity

$g_T^q(x, kT)$ ← L-polarized (chiral) quarks in T-polarized N ← worm-gear

$h_T^q(x, kT)$ ← T-polarized quarks in T-polarized N ← pretzelosity

and time-odd functions (spin-orbital correlations):

$f_L^\perp(x, kT)$ ← unpolarized quarks in T-polarized N ← Sivers f.

$h_T^\perp(x, kT)$ ← T-polarized quarks in unpolarized N ← Boer-Mulders f.









Integrated over kT quark TMDs:

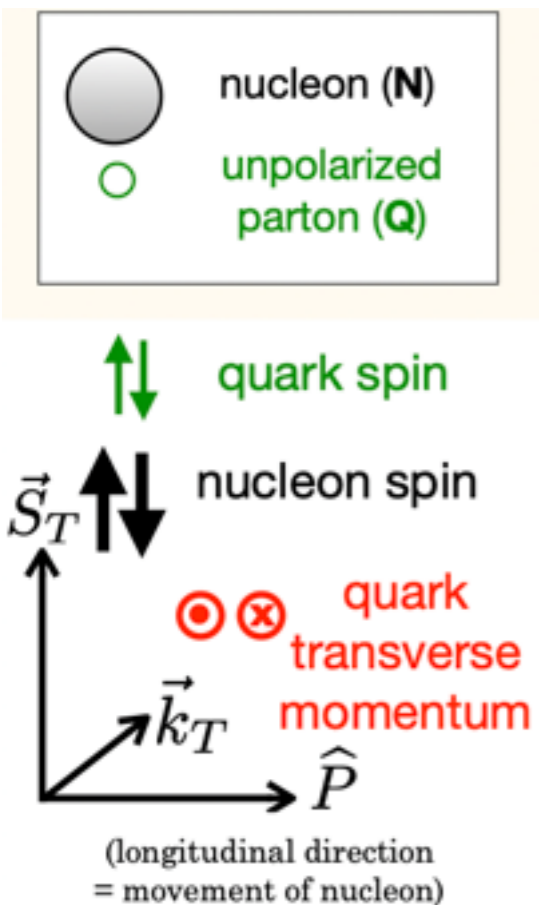
$$f^q(x) = q(x) = q_{L=+}(x) + q_{L=-}(x)$$

$$g_L^q(x) = \Delta q(x) = q_{L=+}(x) - q_{L=-}(x) \leftarrow \text{helicity (chirality)}$$

$$h_T^q(x) = \delta q(x) = q_{T=+}(x) - q_{T=-}(x) \leftarrow \text{transversity}$$

TMDs: quarks in nucleon

$N \backslash Q$	U	L	T	
U	f_1 number density 		h_1^\perp Boer-Mulders 	
L		g_1 helicity 	h_{1L}^\perp worm-gear 	
T	f_{1T}^\perp Sivers 	g_{1T}^\perp worm-gear 	h_1 transversity 	h_{1T}^\perp pretzelosity 



Gluon TMD with SPD

Unpolarized gluons at high x in proton and deuteron

Gluon helicity

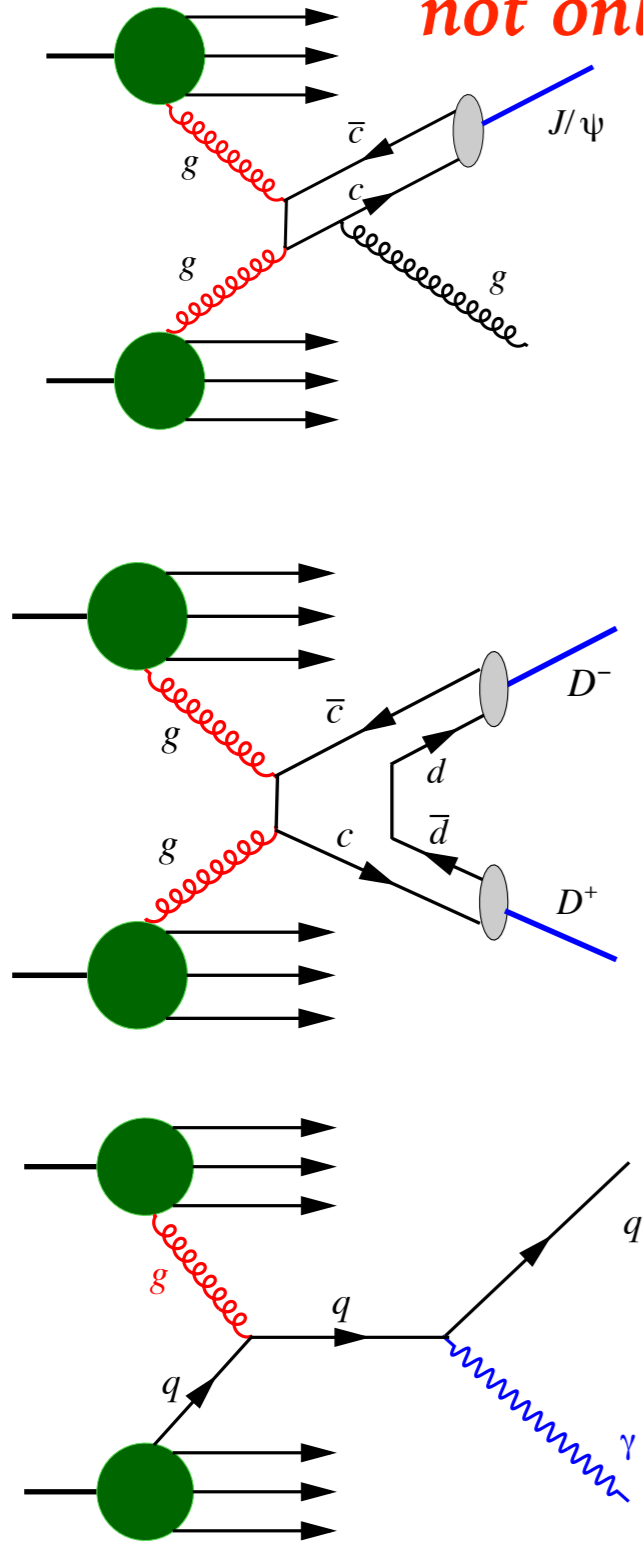
Gluon Boer-Mulders function

GLUONS	<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 , $h_{1T}^{\perp g}$

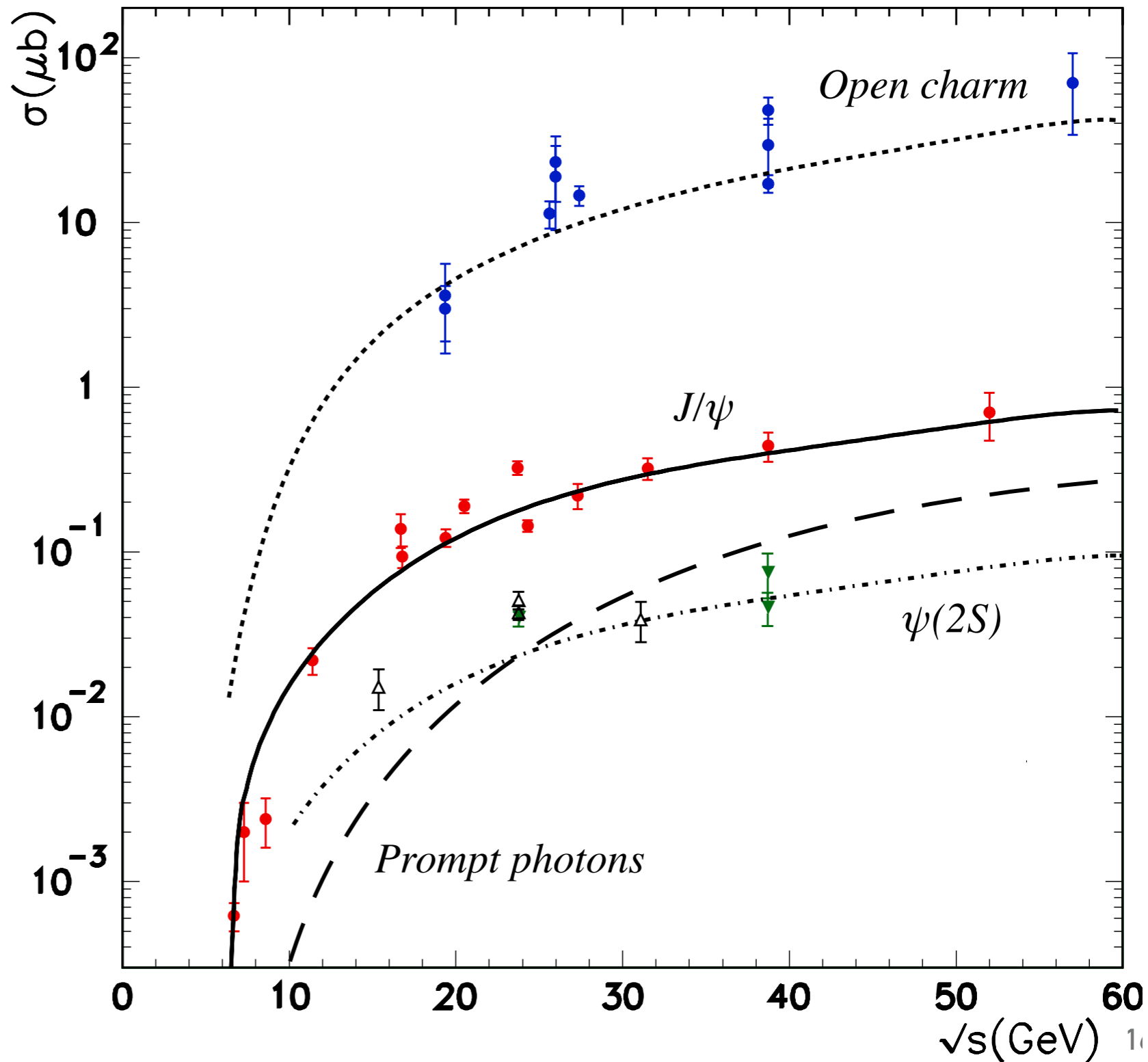
Gluon Sivers function

Gluon transversity in deuteron

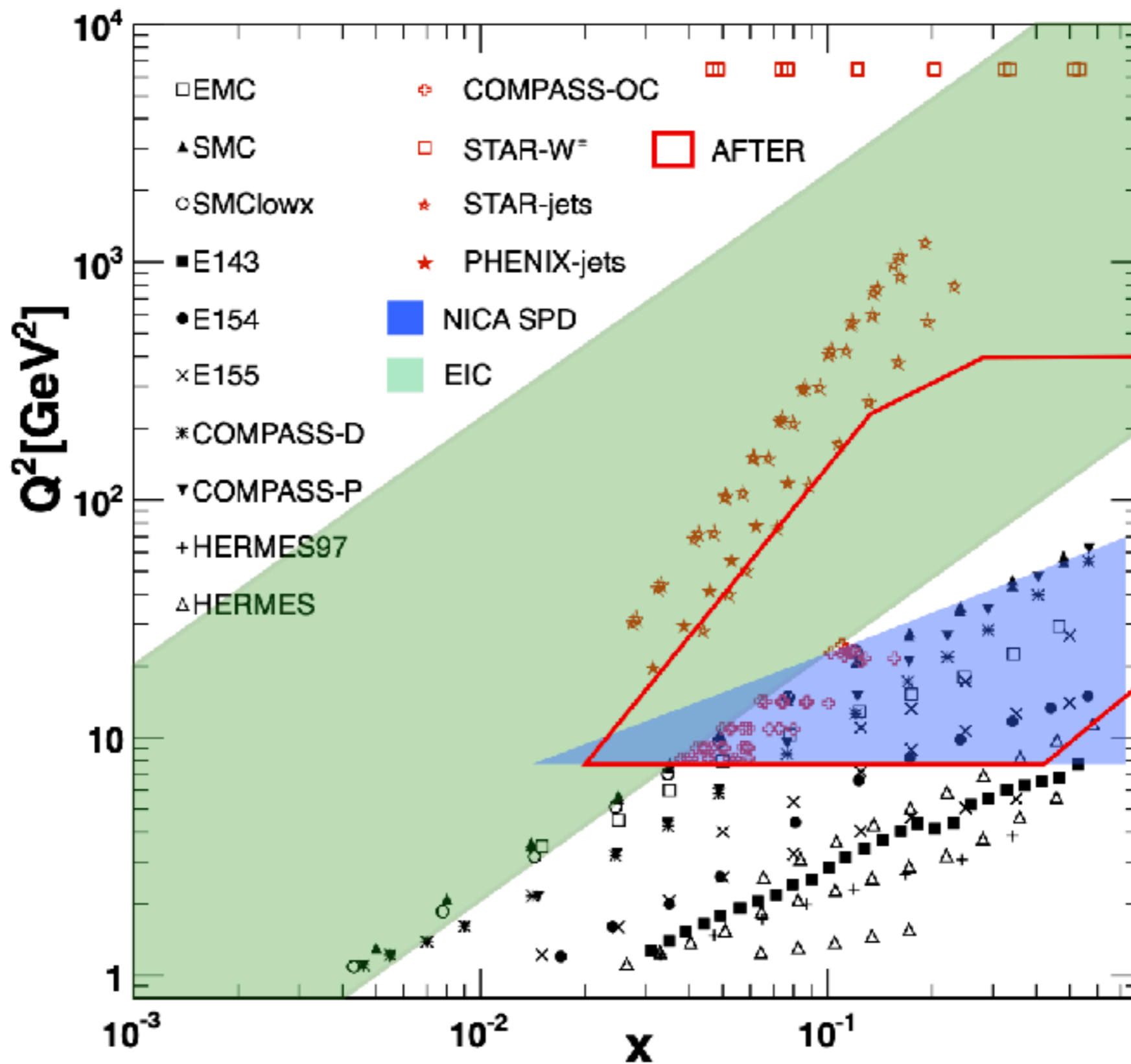
not only J/ψ!

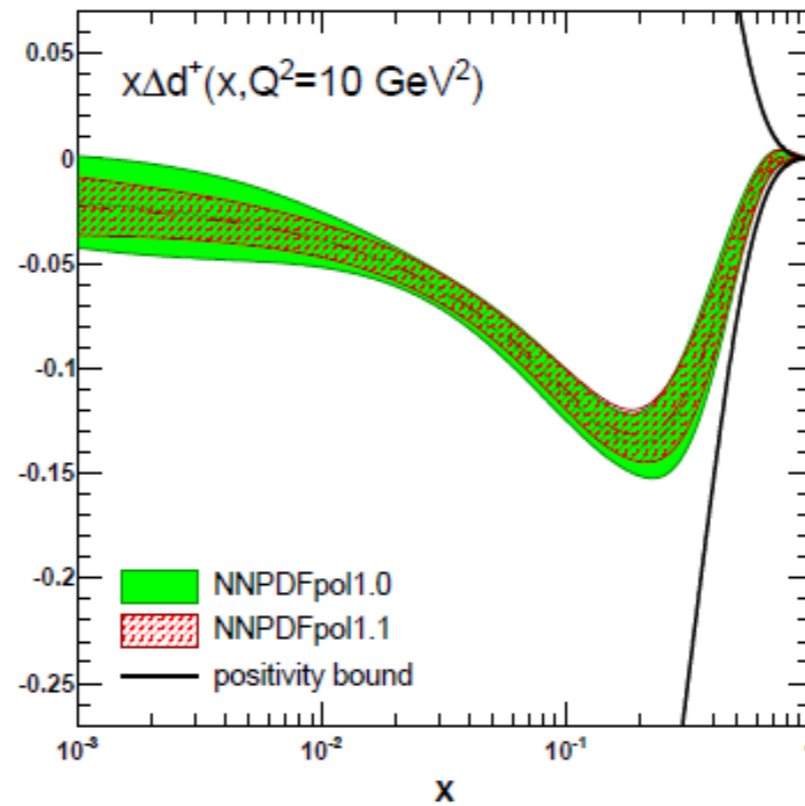
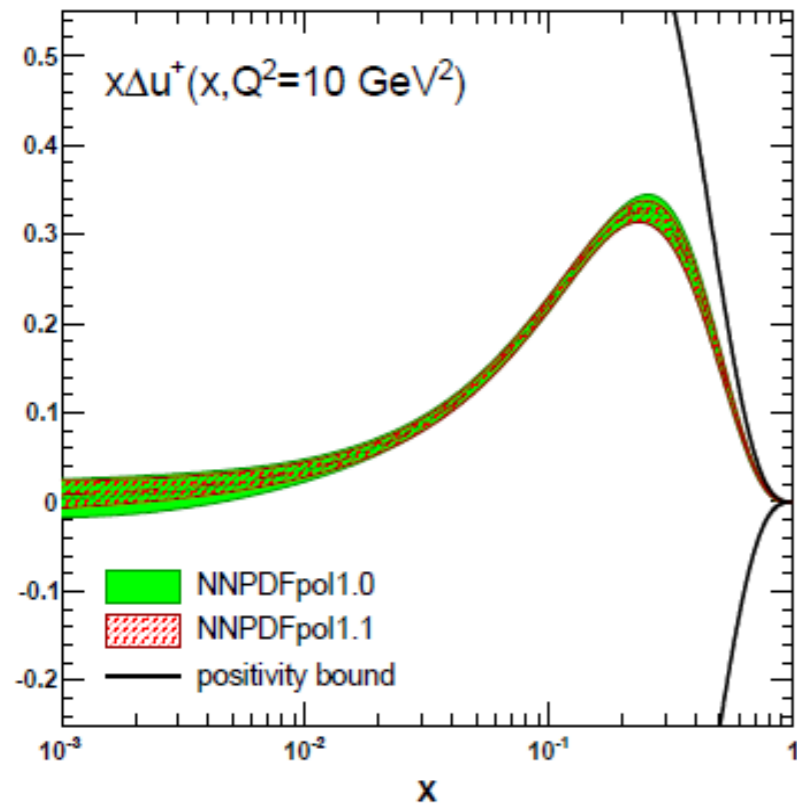


$$\sigma = PDF_1 \otimes PDF_2 \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{12}$$



PDF kinematic range

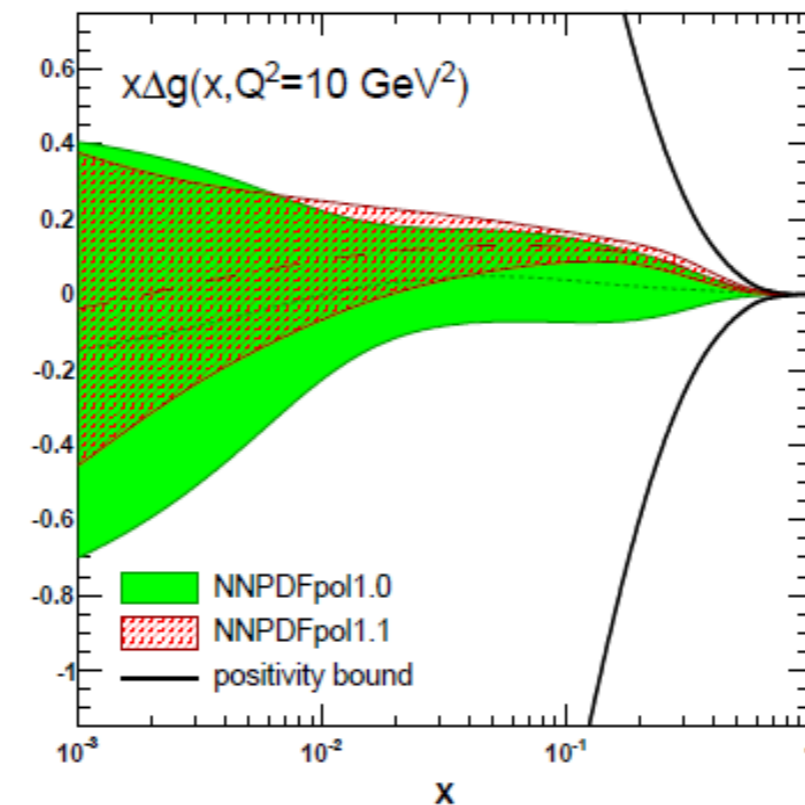
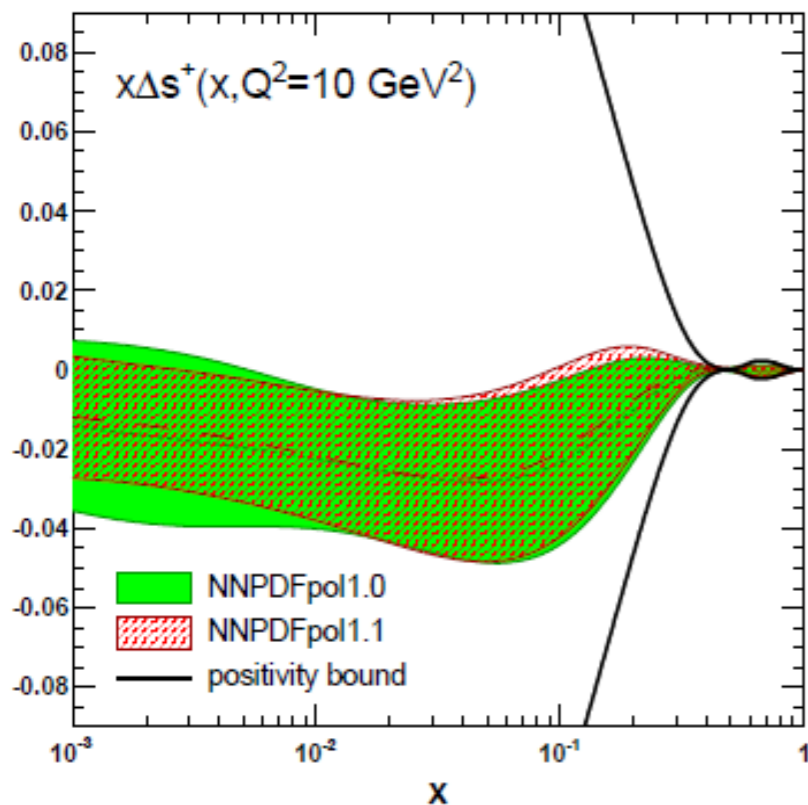




NNPDF Coll.:
E. Nocera et al. (2014)

Quark helicity PDF:
few percent level uncertainties

It is measured with
high precision in DIS



Gluon helicity PDF:
still rather high uncertainties!

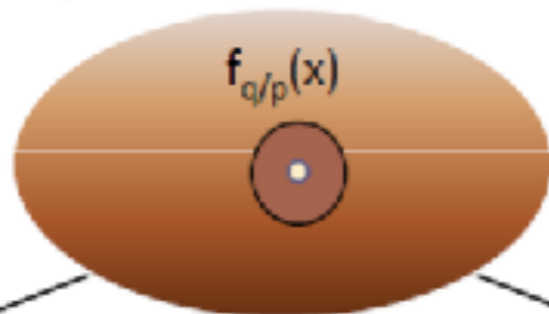
Hadron collisions have a better
sensitivity to measure it.

← SPD has a good opportunity!

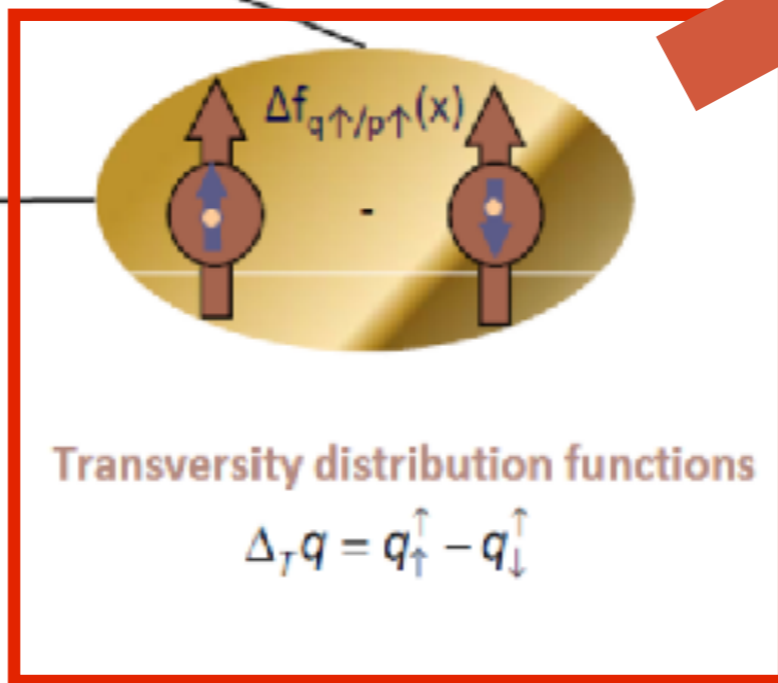
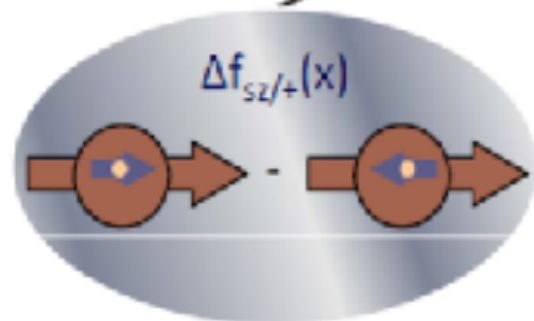
Gluon transversity of deuteron:

Unpolarized distribution functions

$$q = q_+^+ + q_-^+ \quad g = g_+^+ + g_-^+$$



Transversity comes from spin-flip:
 $\Delta s=2$ forbidden for spin- $1/2$ nucleon in LO
→ gluon transversity in nucleon ≈ 0

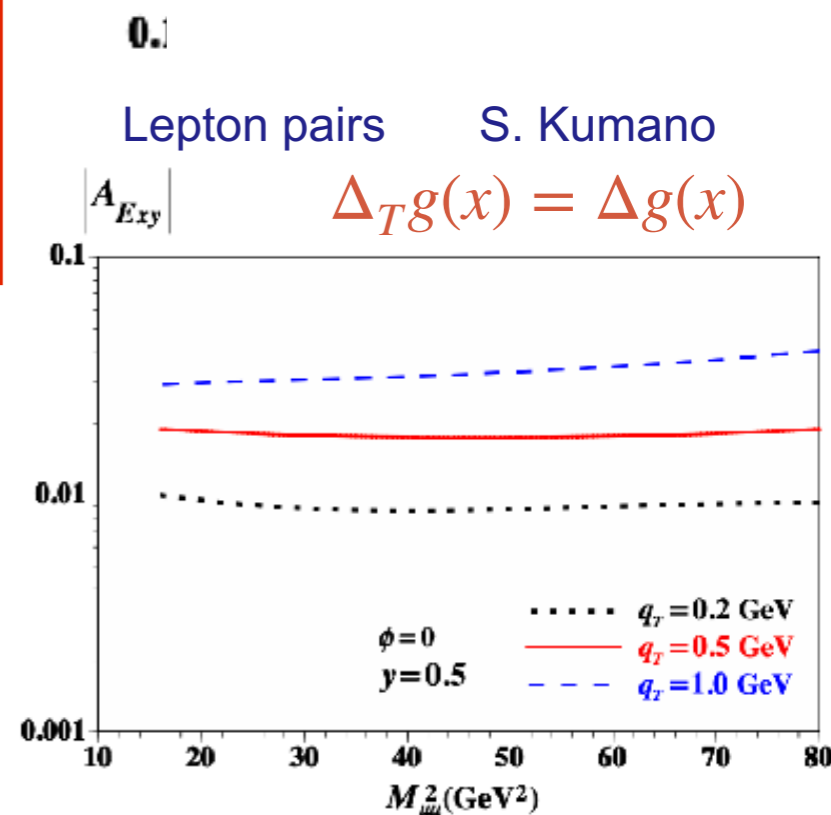


Helicity distribution functions

$$\Delta q = q_+^+ - q_-^+ \quad \Delta g = g_+^+ - g_-^+$$

SPD has a unique opportunity to measure
gluon transversity in deuteron for the first time!

To probe new non-nucleonic degrees of
 freedom in deuteron!

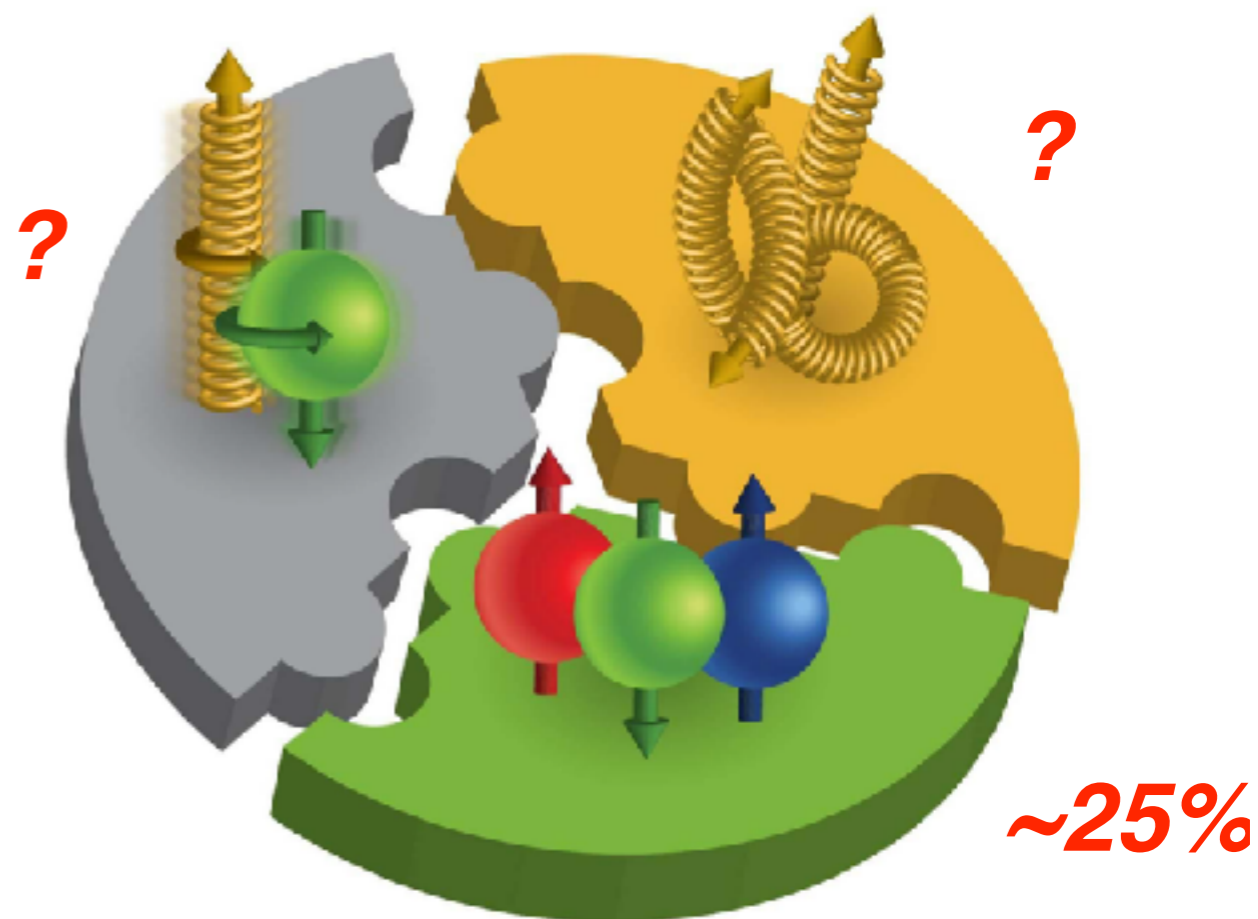
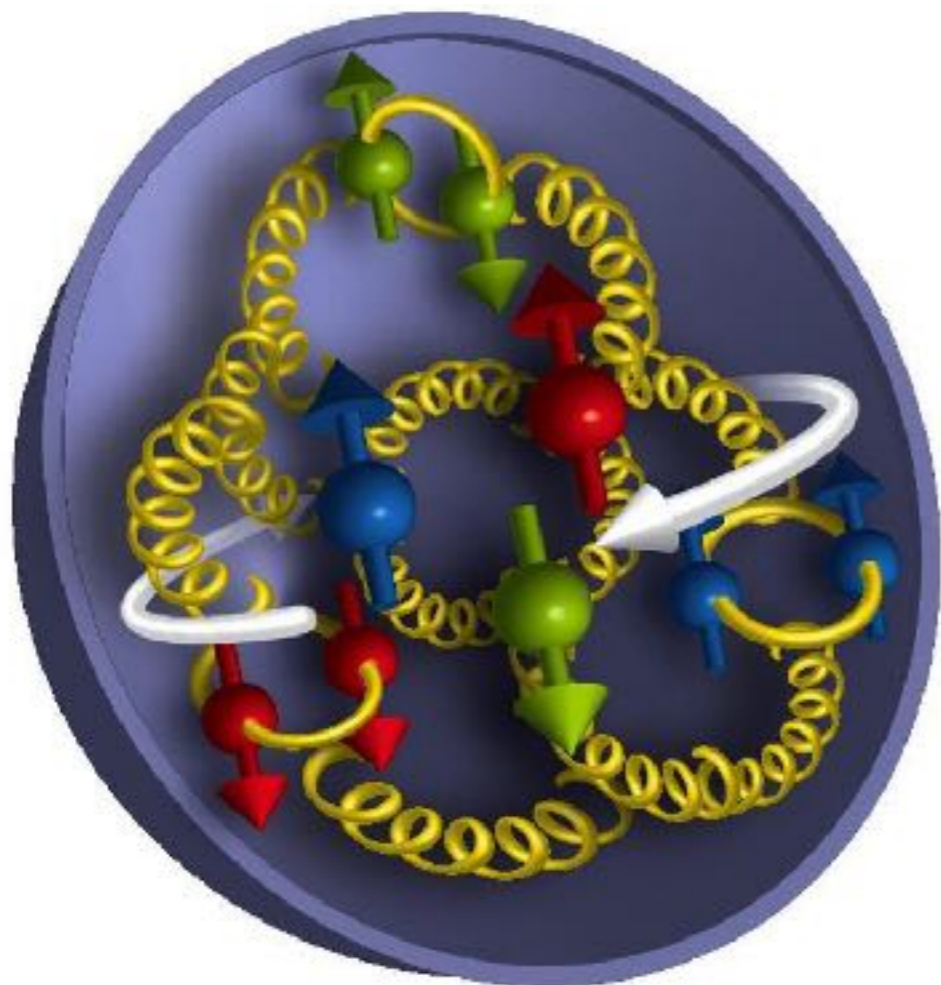


Helicity gluon PDF $\Delta g(x)$: Spin Crisis

$\Delta g(x)$:



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



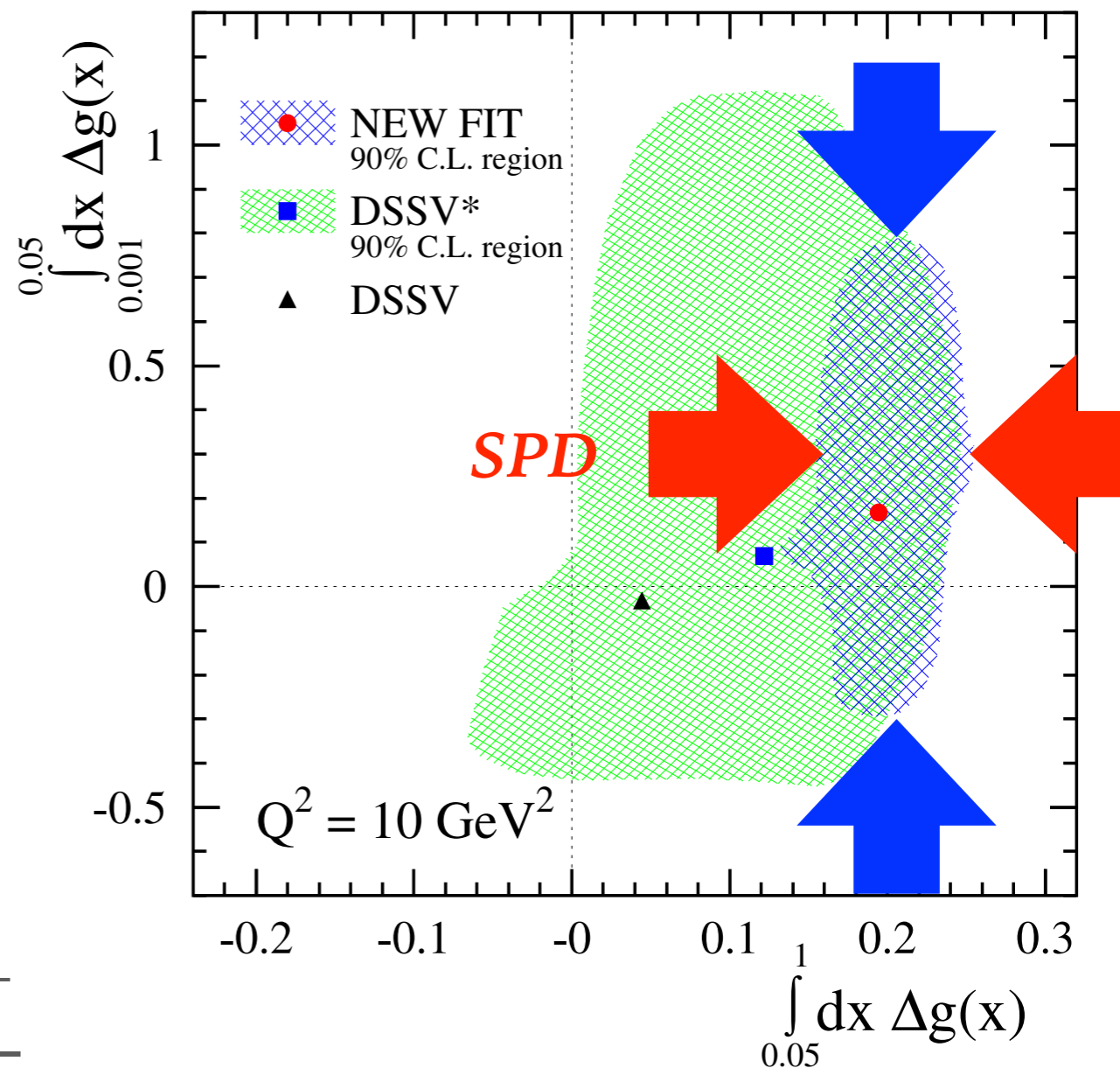
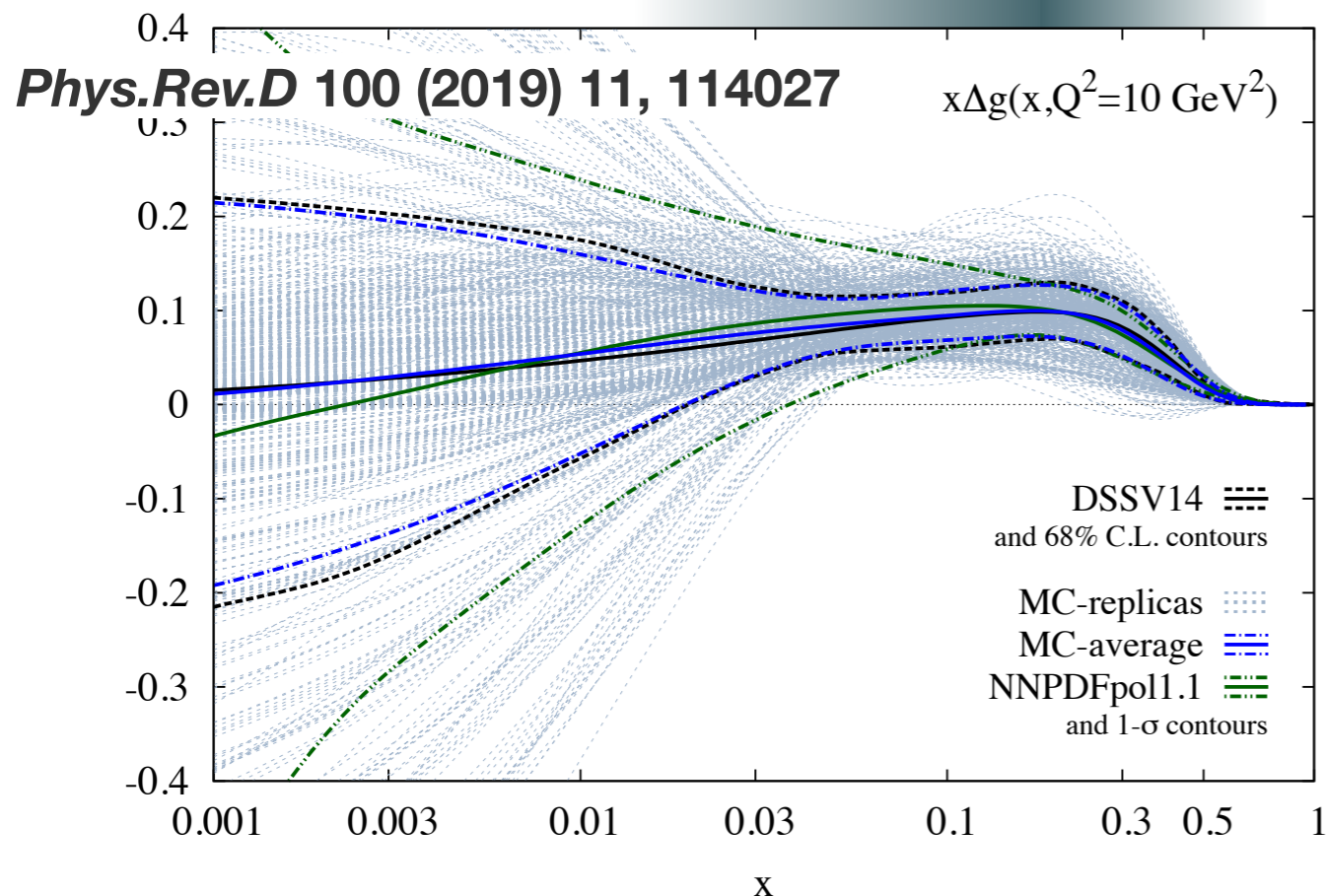
$$S_N = 1/2 = 1/2 \Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L$$

Helicity gluon PDF $\Delta g(x)$:

accessible with SPD

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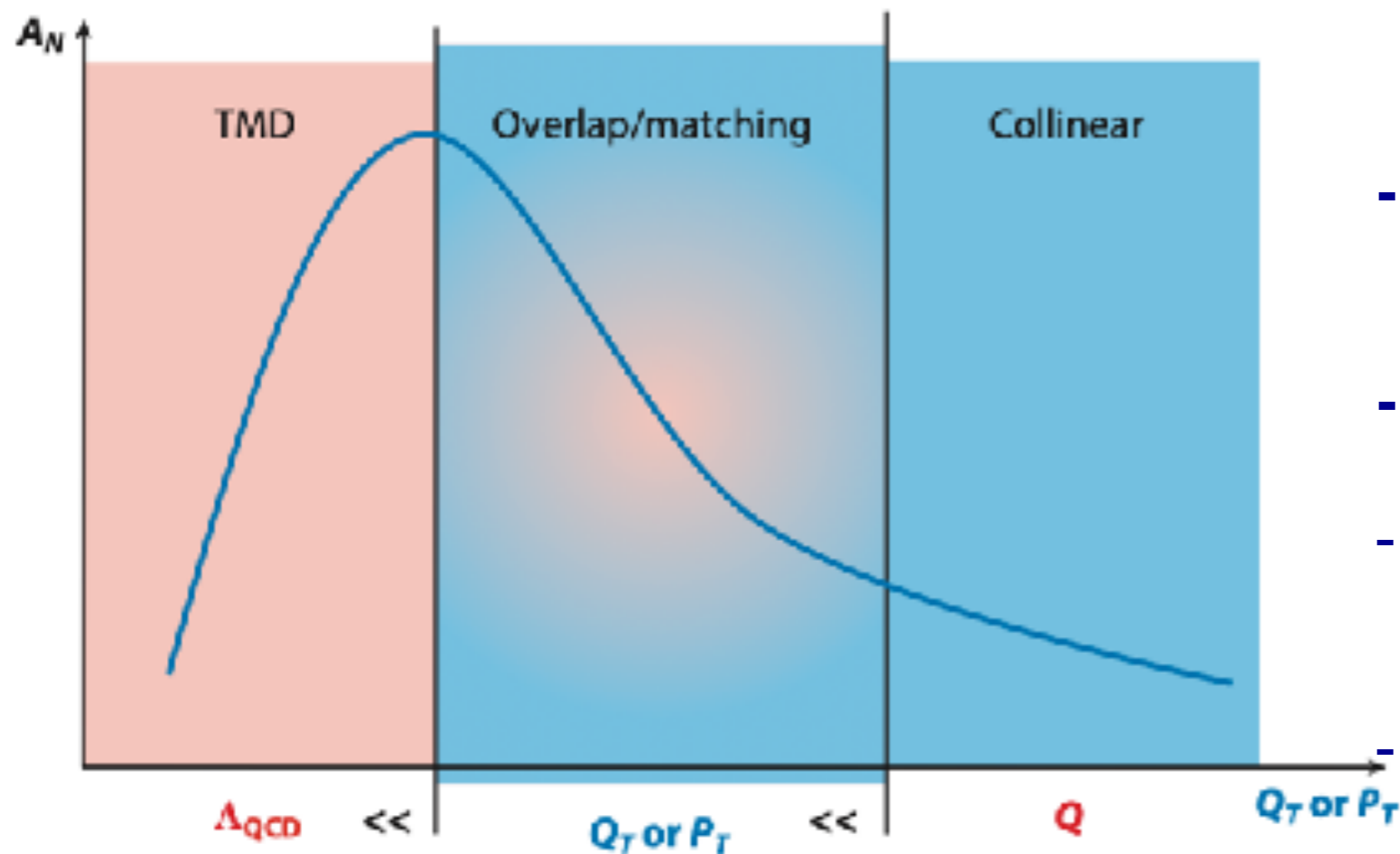


SPD could help to reduce **uncertainty of ΔG at large x**

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

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

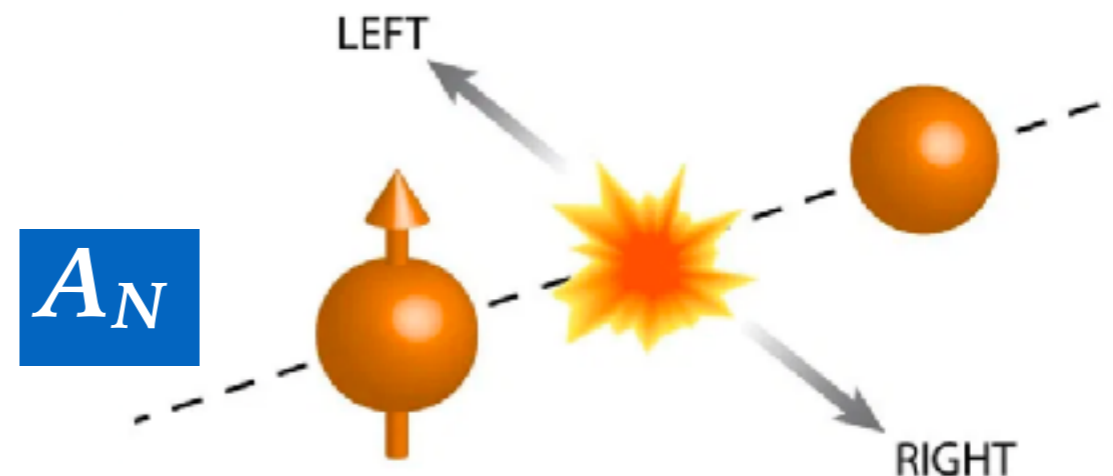
Gluon TMD effects: gluon Sivers function



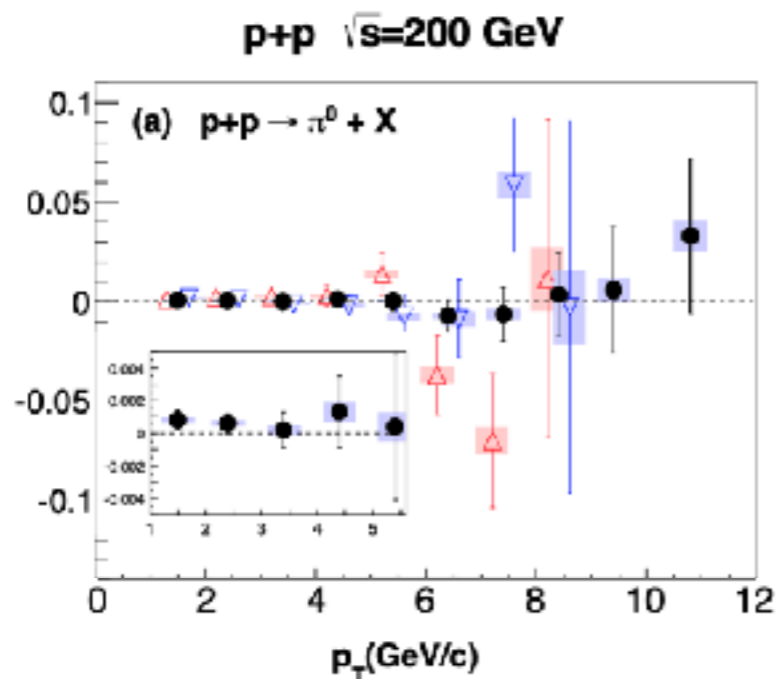
- Collinear factorization: twist-2 and twist-3
- TMD-factorization
- Overlap/matching region
- Nontrivial x and k_T correlation?

Sivers effect: L-R asymmetry of unpolarized k_T -distribution in T-polarized nucleon

Collins effect: due to fragmentation of polarized parton



Gluon Sivers function

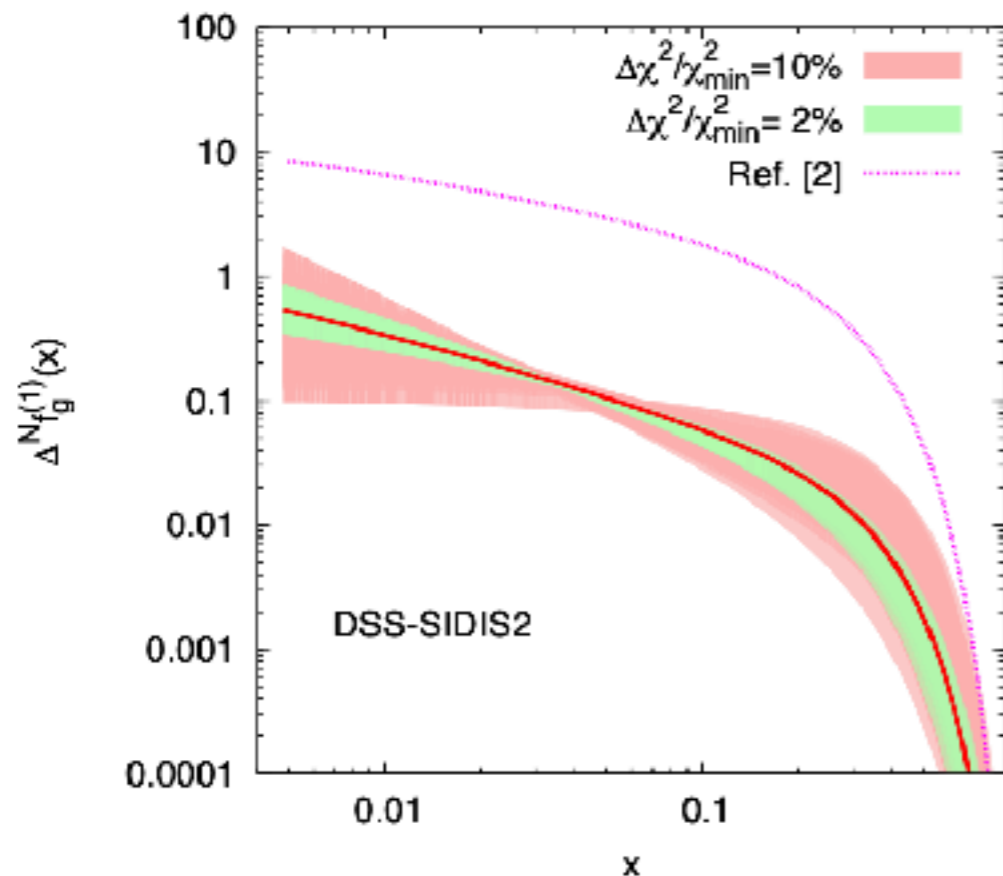


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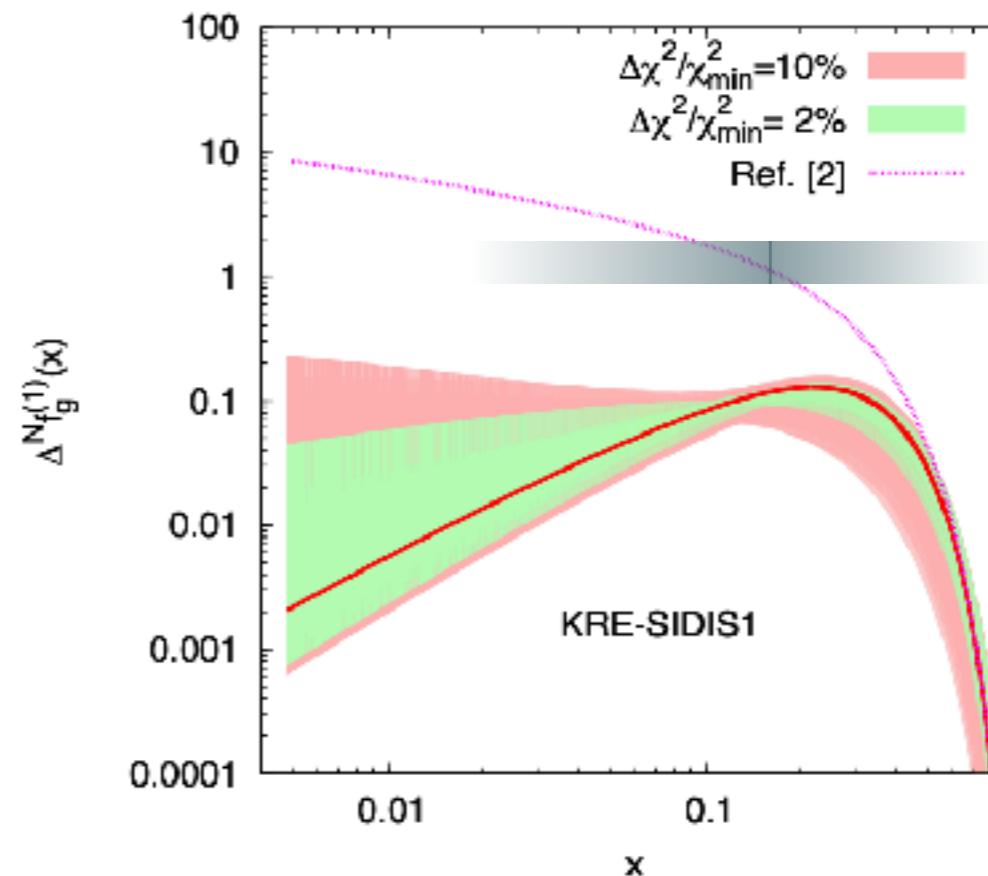
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First k_{\perp} -moment of the gluon Sivers function

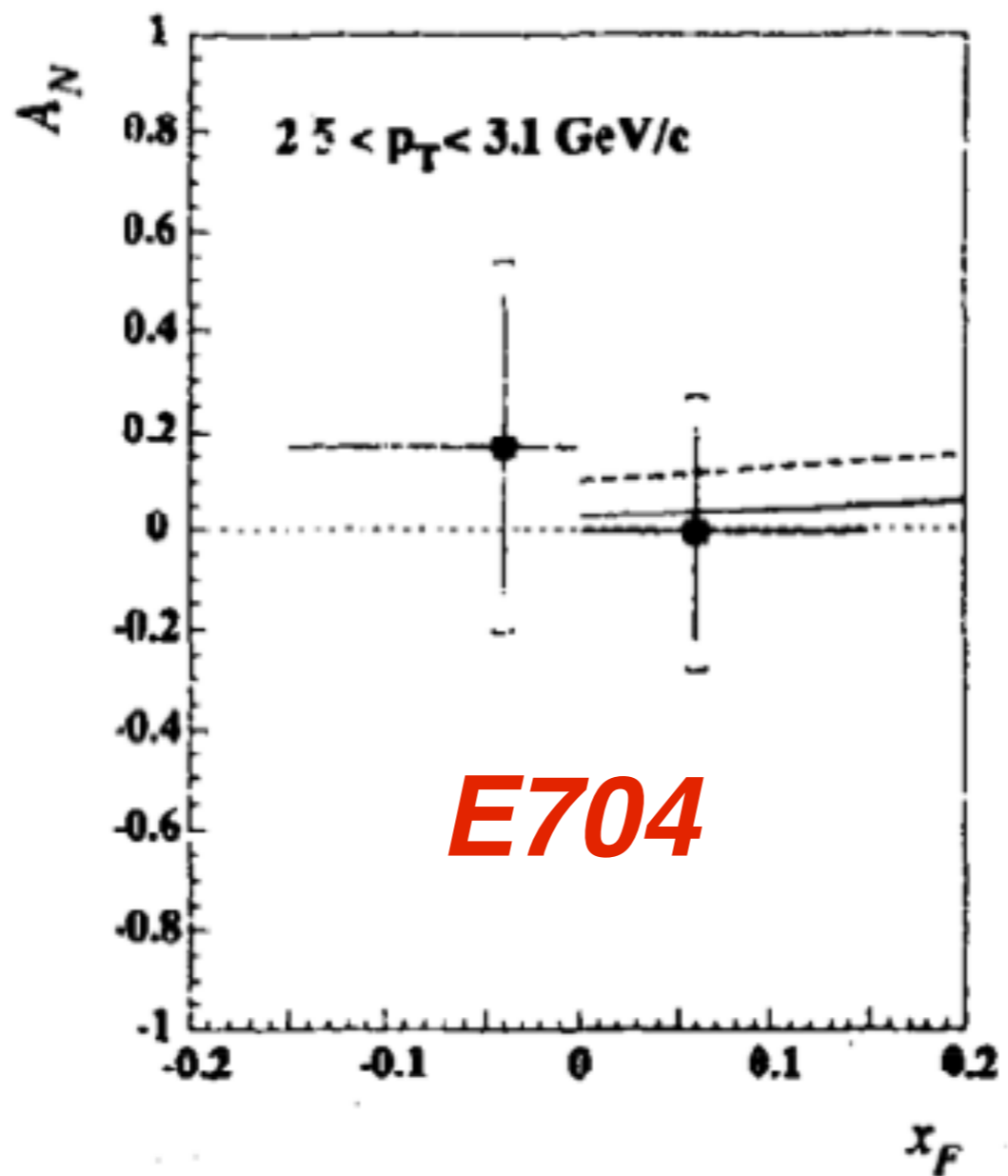


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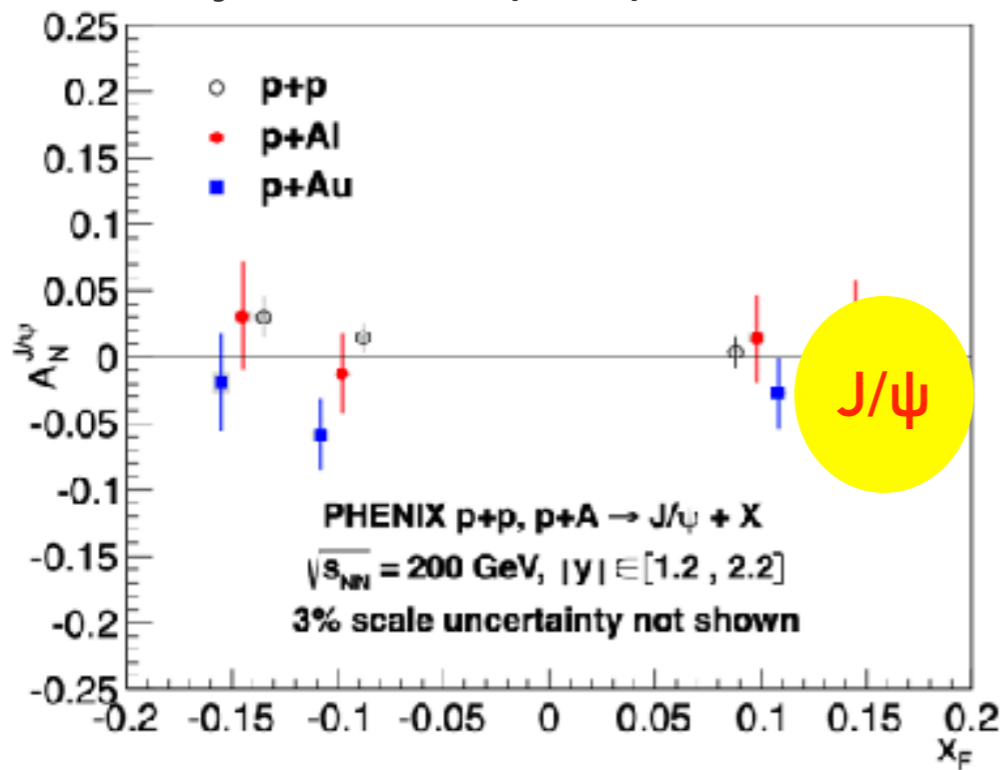
E704 at FNAL: fixed target 200 GeV

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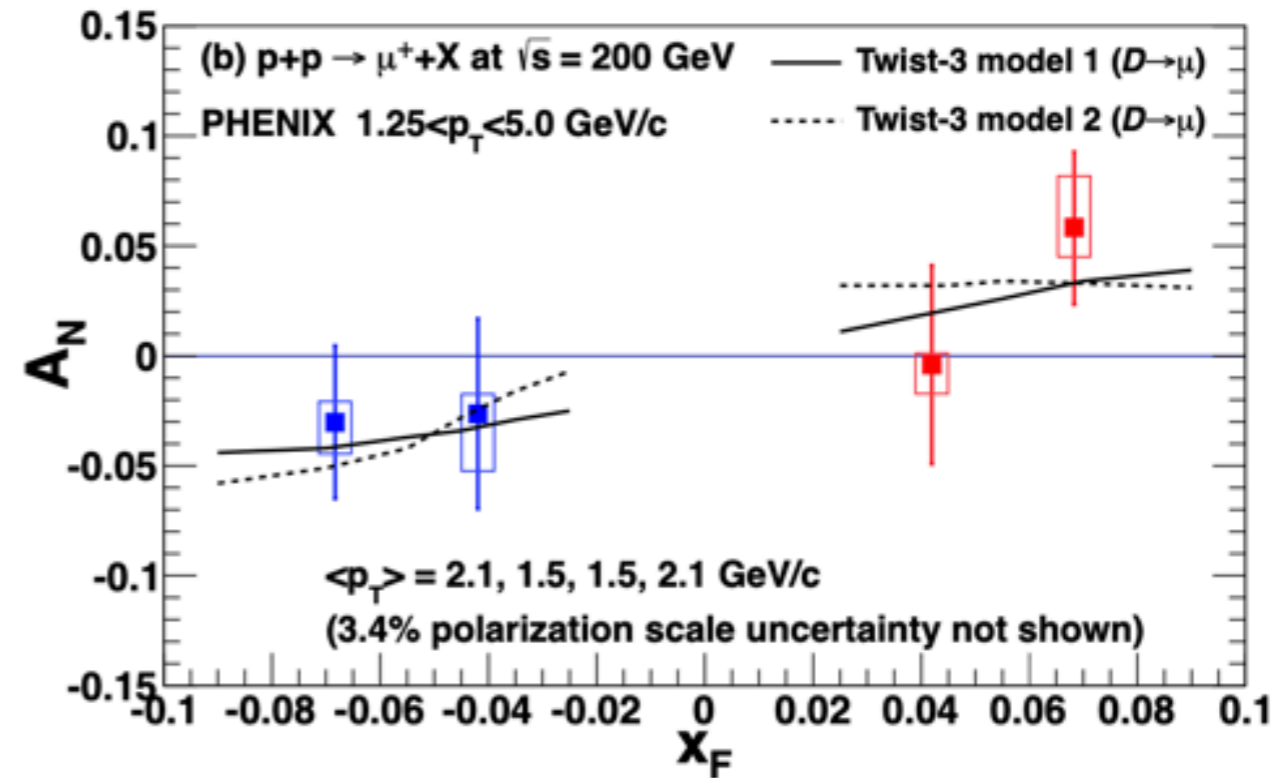
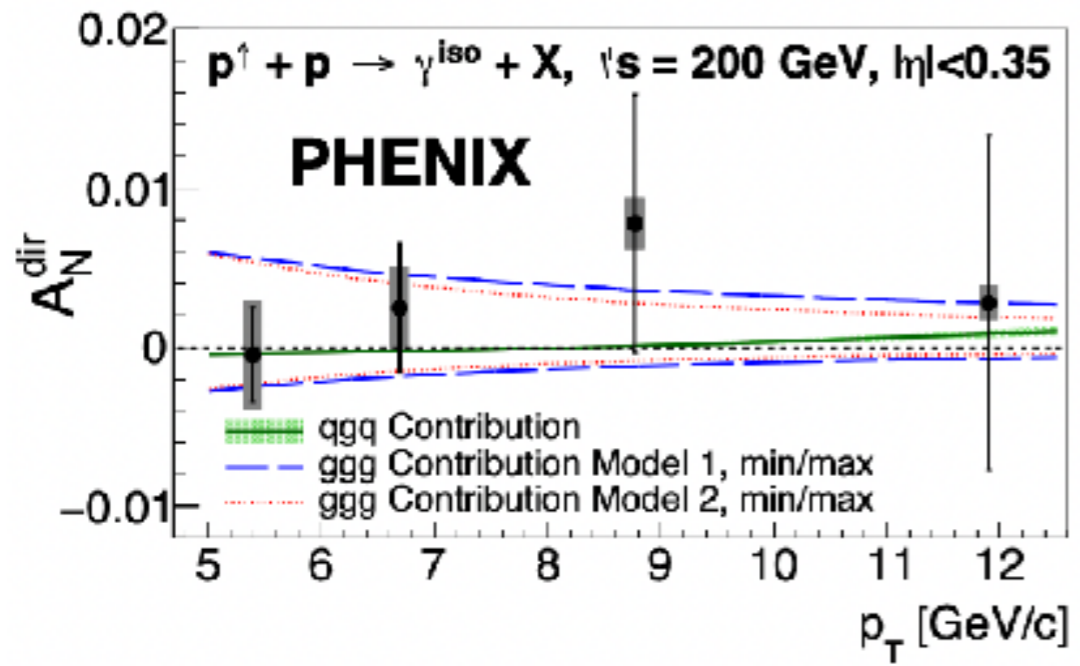
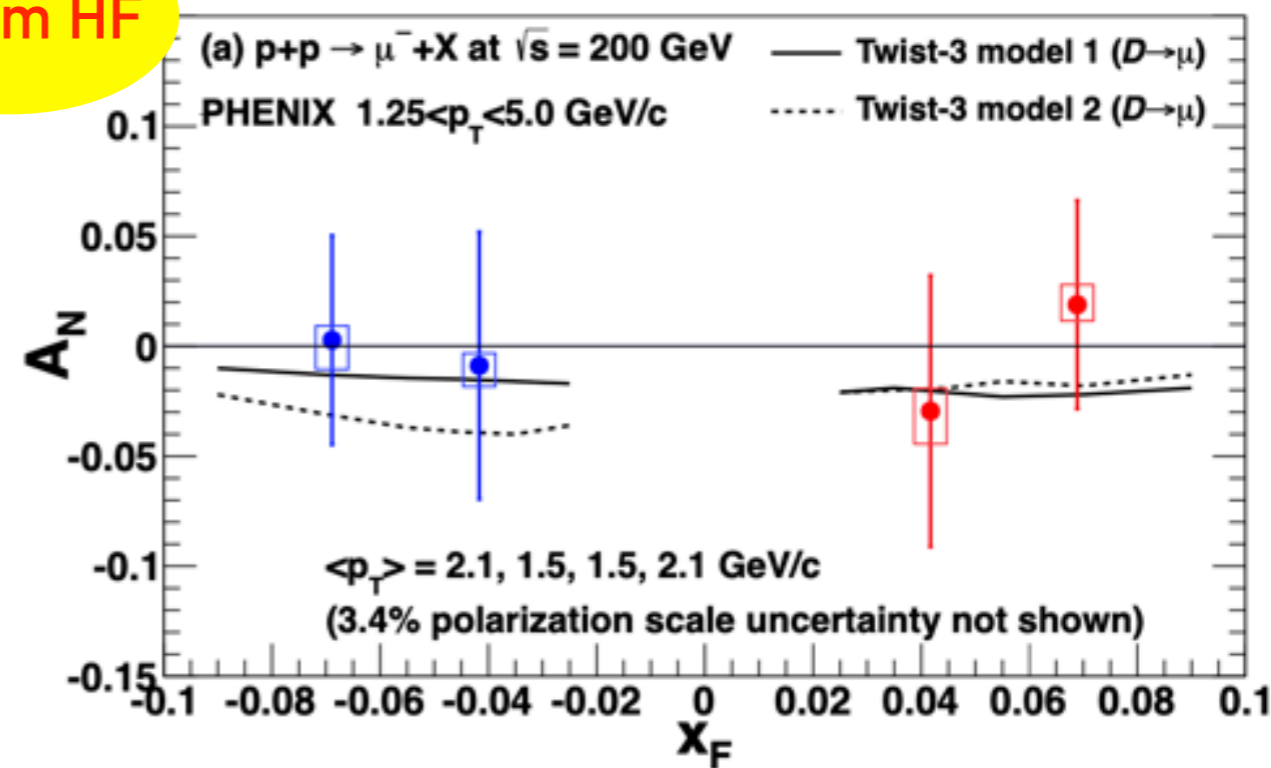
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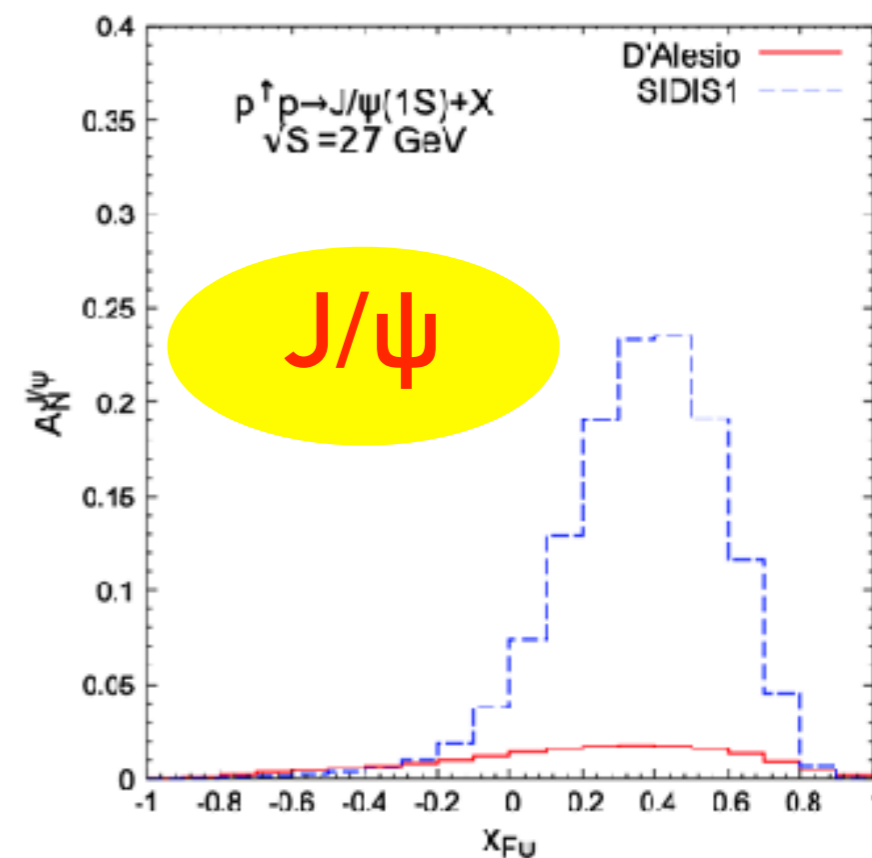
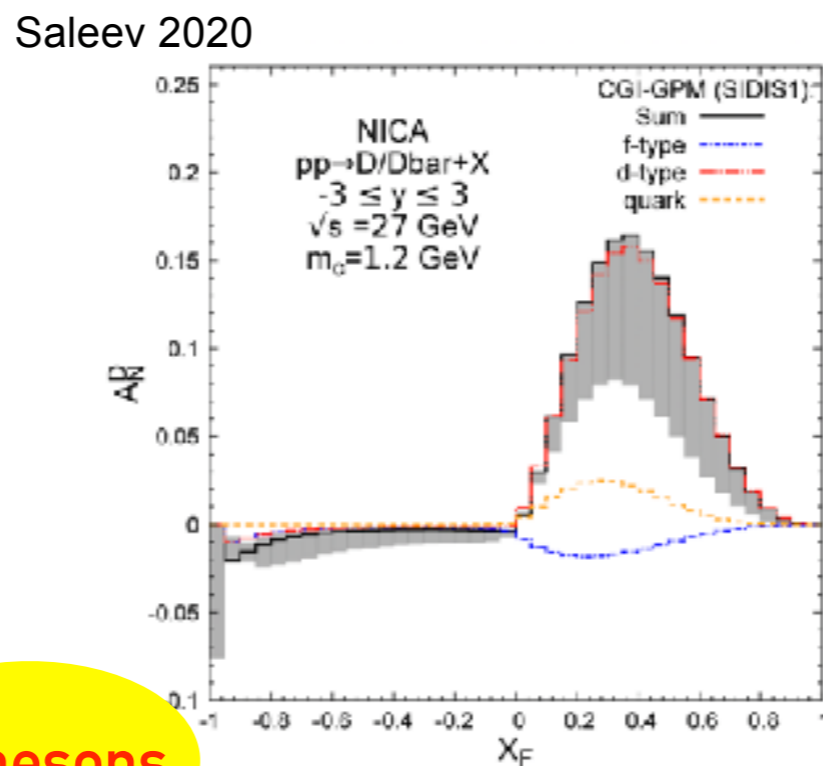
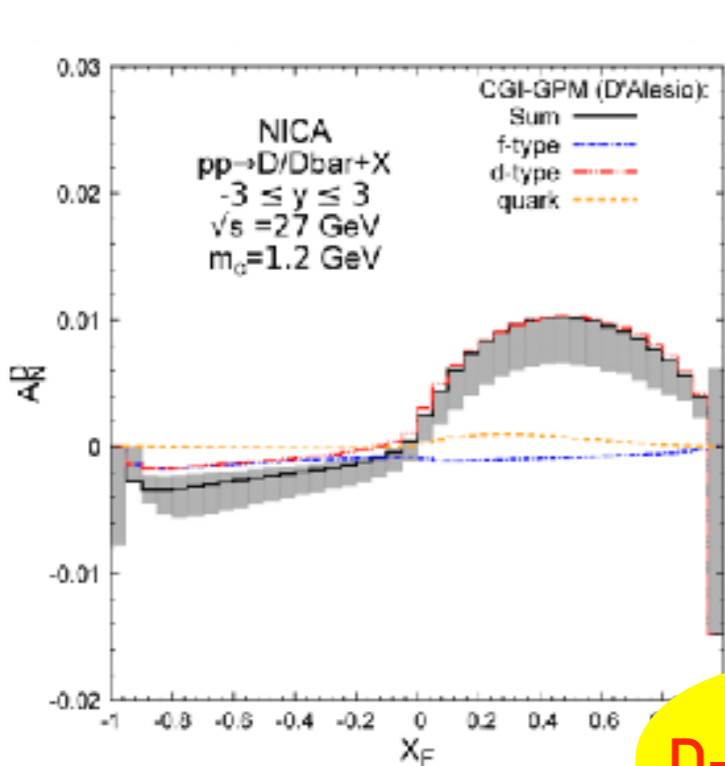
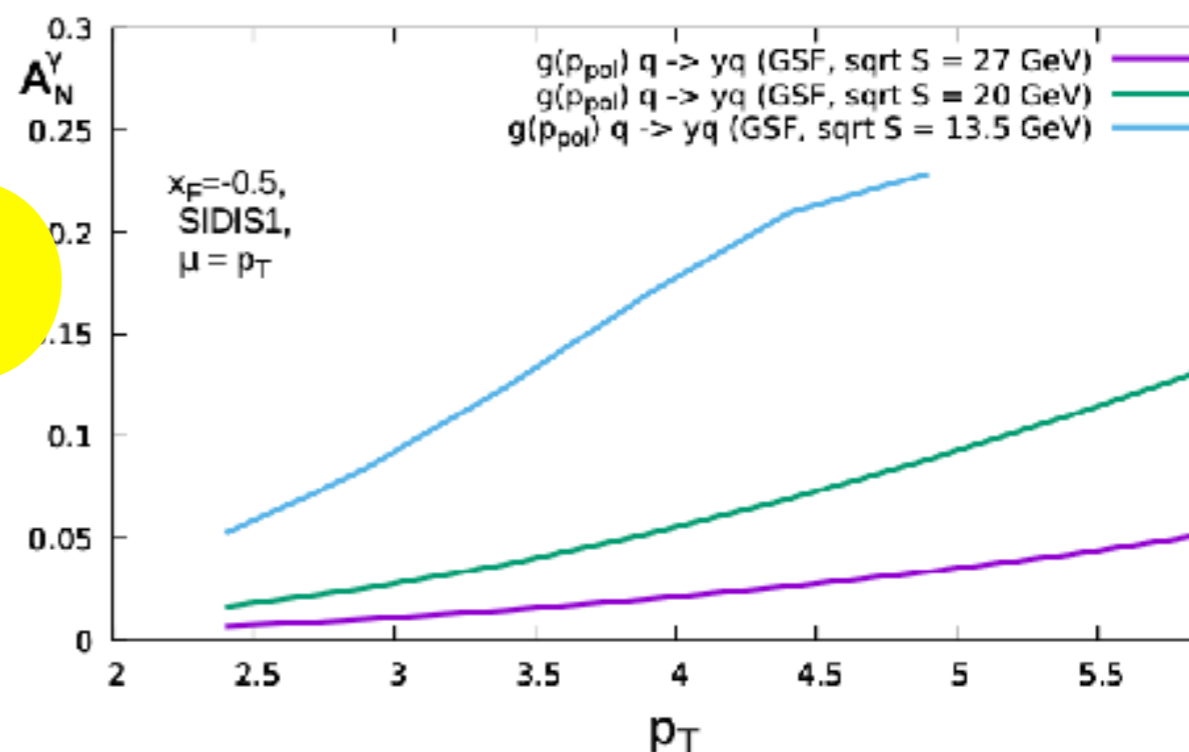
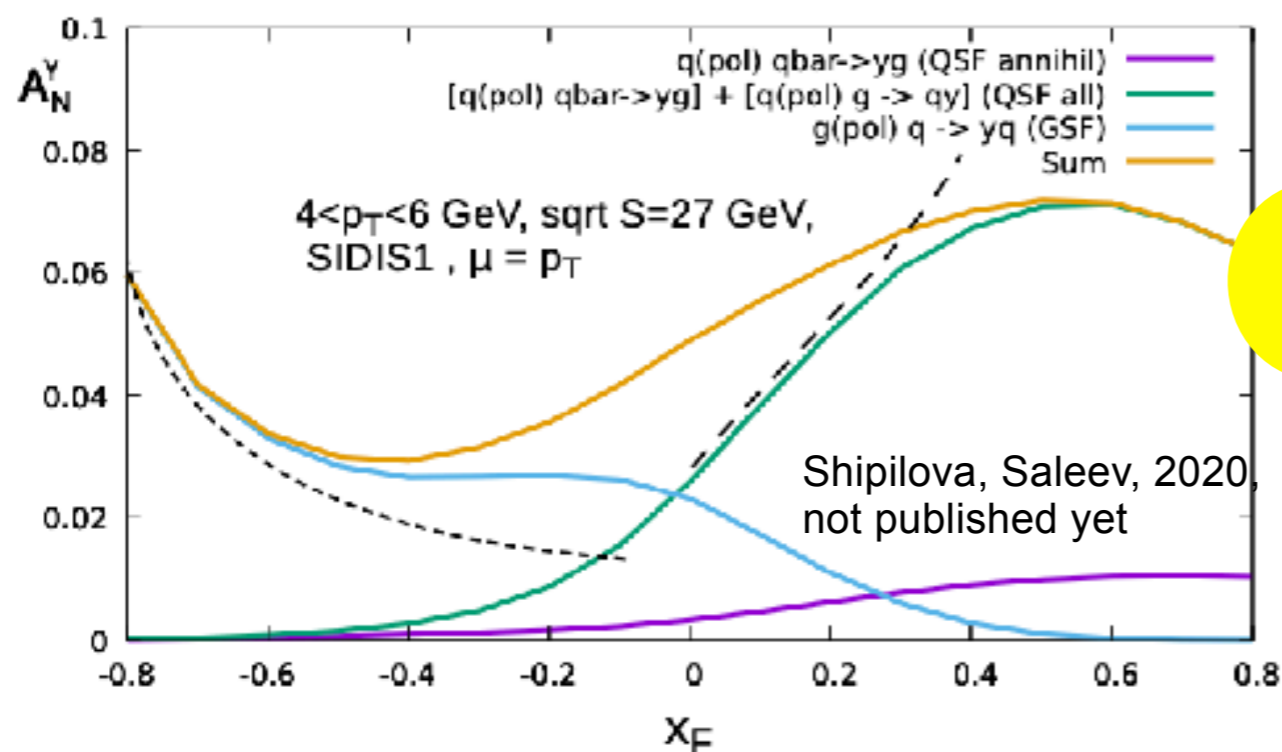


μ from HF

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Sivers effect impact



SPD Physics at the initial stage

V.V. Abramov et al., to appear in PEPAN, JINR E2-2021-12, e-Print: [2102.08477](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.08477) [hep-ph]

Comprehensive and rich physics program at the initial stage of SPD data taking:

- ▶ Spin effects in pp-, pd- and dd- (quasi)elastic scattering
- ▶ Spin effects in hyperon production
- ▶ Multiquark correlations (SRC) in deuteron and light nuclei
- ▶ Dibaryon resonances
- ▶ Hypernucleus production
- ▶ Open charm and charmonia production near threshold
- ▶ Large-pT hadron production to study diquark structure of proton
- ▶ Semi-inclusive large-pT hadron production to study multiparton scattering
- ▶ Antiproton production measurement for astrophysics and BSM search
- ▶ ...

- ▶ **Spin Physics Detector (SPD), a universal setup at NICA (<http://spd.jinr.ru>): for comprehensive study of polarized and unpolarized gluon content of proton and deuteron in polarized and unpolarized high-luminosity pp- and dd- collisions at \sqrt{s} up to 27 GeV**
- ▶ **Complementing main probes: charmonia (J/Psi, higher states), open charm and direct photons**
- ▶ **SPD can reveal significant insights towards 3D gluon structure:**
 - gluon helicity structure
 - unpolarized gluon PDF at high x in proton and deuteron
 - gluon transversity in deuteron
- **Comprehensive and rich physics program for the first period of data taking**
- **SPD physics program is complementary to the other intentions to study gluon content of nuclei (RHIC, AFTER@LHC, LHC-spin, EIC) and mesons (COMPASS++/AMBER, EIC)**
- **SPD CDR: [arXiv:2102.00442](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.00442)**
- **SPD physics:**
 - A. Arbuzov et al. ,Prog. Part. Nucl.Phys. 119 (2021) 103858 e-Print: [2011.15005](https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.15005) [hep-ex]
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