

# Studies of nucleon GPD properties at JLab



The nucleon is sensitive to all the interactions known so far

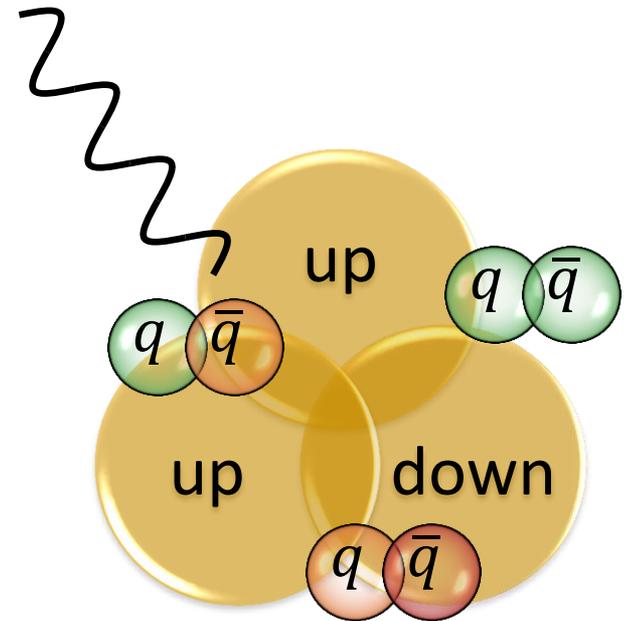
How the nucleon experiences a specific interactions is encoded in a **charge** → it depends on the nature of the operator describing the interaction

What is the spatial size of the nucleon?

And how its charges are distributed in its bulk?

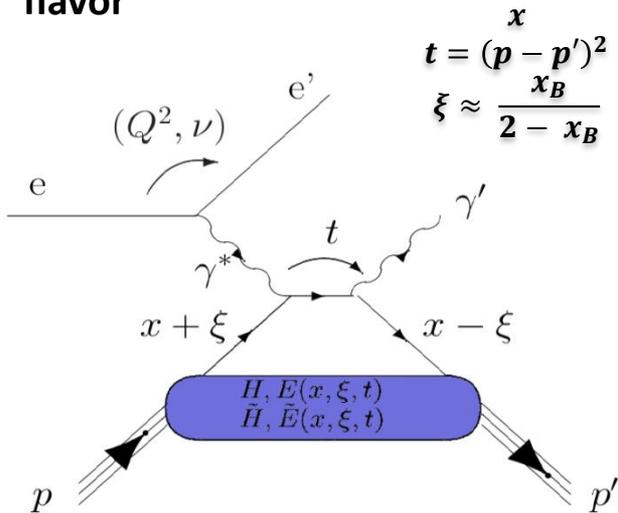
What is the orbital angular momentum of the nucleon constituents?

And how its description relates to the full-QCD description encoded in lattice-based calculations?



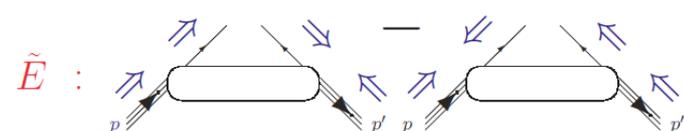
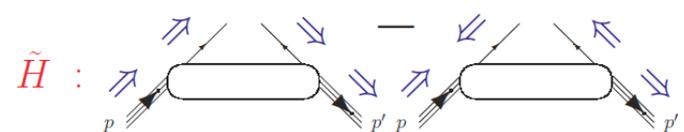
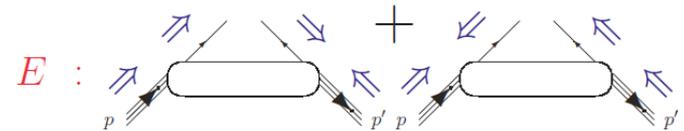
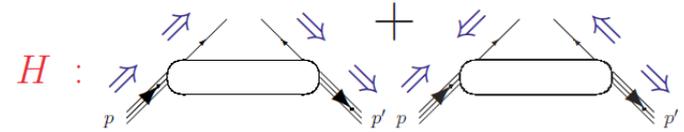
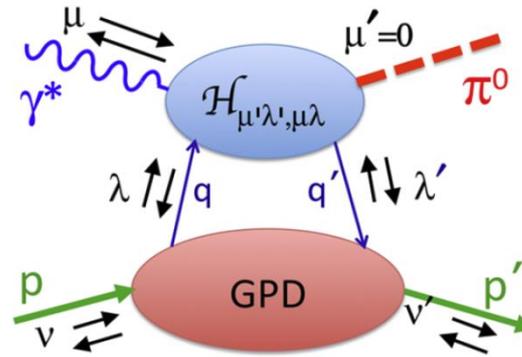
**Generalized Parton Distributions** → transverse spatial images of quarks and gluons as a function of their longitudinal momentum fraction.

There are **4 chiral-even + 4 chiral-odd** GPDs for any quark flavor



$$t = (p - p')^2$$

$$\xi \approx \frac{x_B}{2 - x_B}$$



$$H^q(x, 0, 0) = f_1(x)$$

$$\tilde{H}^q(x, 0, 0) = g_1(x)$$

$$H_T^q(x, 0, 0) = h_1(x)$$

(for  $x > 0$ ; antiquark for  $x < 0$ )

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} dx H^q(x, \xi, t) = F_1^q(t), \quad \int_{-1}^{+1} dx E^q(x, \xi, t) = F_2^q(t)$$

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} dx \tilde{H}^q(x, \xi, t) = G_A^q(t), \quad \int_{-1}^{+1} dx \tilde{E}^q(x, \xi, t) = G_P^q(t)$$

Only  $(\xi, t)$  are experimentally accessible, not  $x$ . GPDs will enter in the observables through

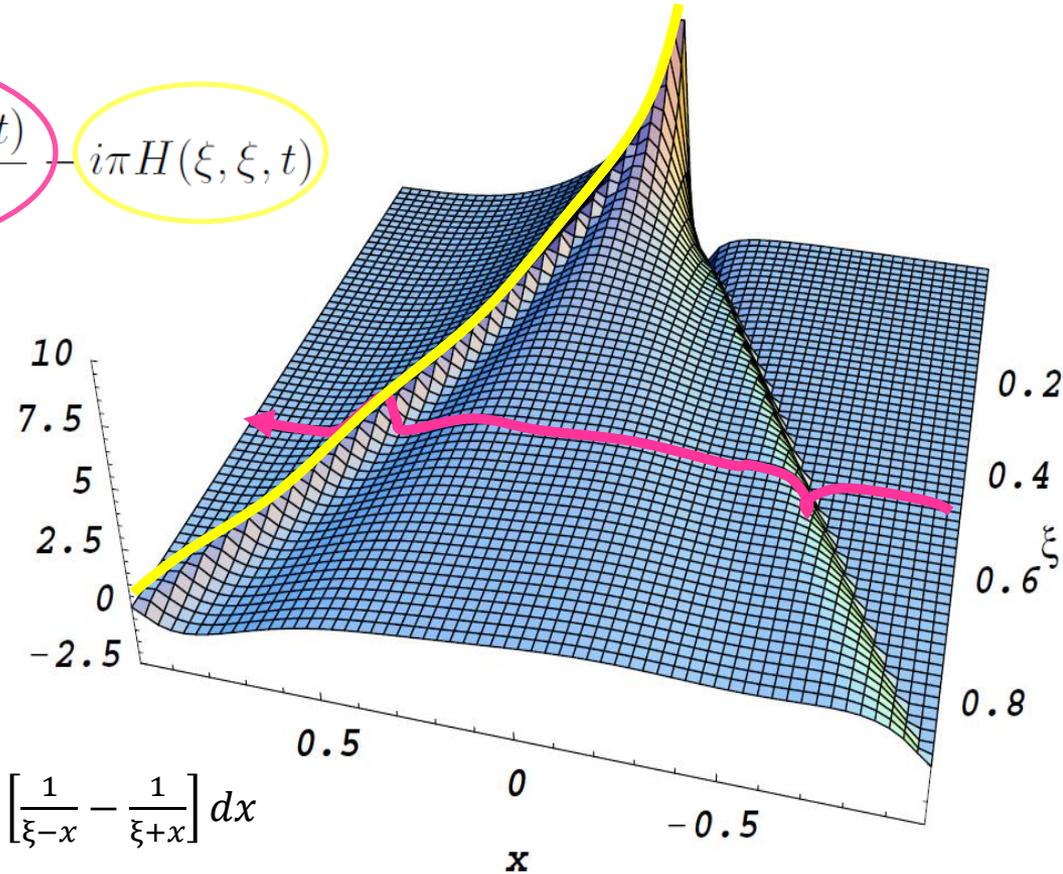
$$\int_{-1}^{+1} dx \frac{H(x, \xi, t)}{x - \xi + i\epsilon} = \mathcal{P} \int_{-1}^{+1} dx \frac{H(x, \xi, t)}{x - \xi} - i\pi H(\xi, \xi, t)$$

The two parts will be accessible through observables sensitive to the *imaginary* ( $A_{LU}, A_{UL}$ ) or the *real part* ( $A_{LL}, A_{BeamCharge}$ ) of the amplitude.

The following **Compton Form Factors** are introduced (experimentally observable):

$$Re\mathcal{H}_q = e^2_q P \int_0^1 (H^q(x, \xi, t) - H^q(-x, \xi, t)) \left[ \frac{1}{\xi-x} - \frac{1}{\xi+x} \right] dx$$

$$Im\mathcal{H}_q = \pi e^2_q (H^q(\xi, \xi, t) - H^q(-\xi, \xi, t))$$



Different observables are sensitive to different combinations of Compton Form Factors and electromagnetic Form Factors:

**1. Beam-Spin Asymmetry:**

$$\Delta\sigma_{LU} \propto \sin\varphi \operatorname{Im}\{F_1\mathcal{H} + \xi(F_1 + F_2)\widetilde{\mathcal{H}} + kF_2\mathcal{E}\}d\varphi$$

**2. Target-Spin Asymmetry:**

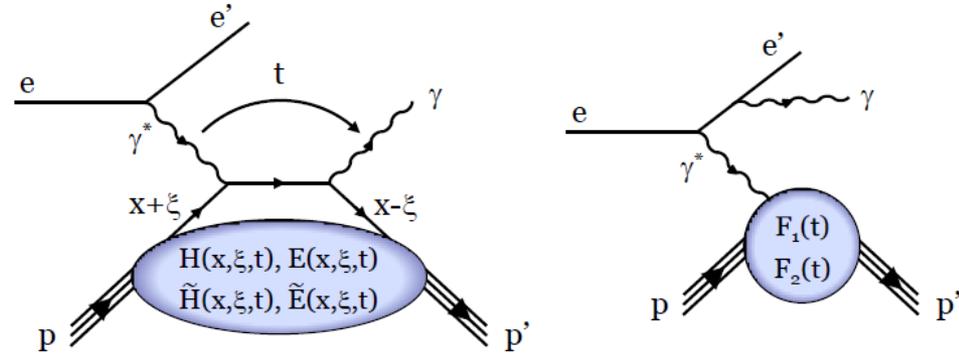
$$\Delta\sigma_{UL} \propto \sin\varphi \operatorname{Im}\{F_1\widetilde{\mathcal{H}} + \xi(F_1 + F_2)\mathcal{H} + kF_2\mathcal{E}\}d\varphi$$

**3. Double-Spin Asymmetry:**

$$\Delta\sigma_{LL} \propto (A + B\cos\varphi) \operatorname{Re}\left\{F_1\widetilde{\mathcal{H}} + \xi(F_1 + F_2)\left(\mathcal{H} + \frac{x_B}{2}\mathcal{E}\right)\right\}d\varphi$$

**4. Transverse Target-Spin Asymmetry:**

$$\Delta\sigma_{UT} \propto \sin\varphi \operatorname{Im}\{k(F_2\mathcal{H} - F_1\mathcal{E}) + \dots\}d\varphi$$



$$\sigma = |BH|^2 + I(BH \cdot DVCS) + |DVCS|^2$$

Access to LINEAR combinations of GPDs (instead of bilinear) thanks to the presence of Bethe-Heitler

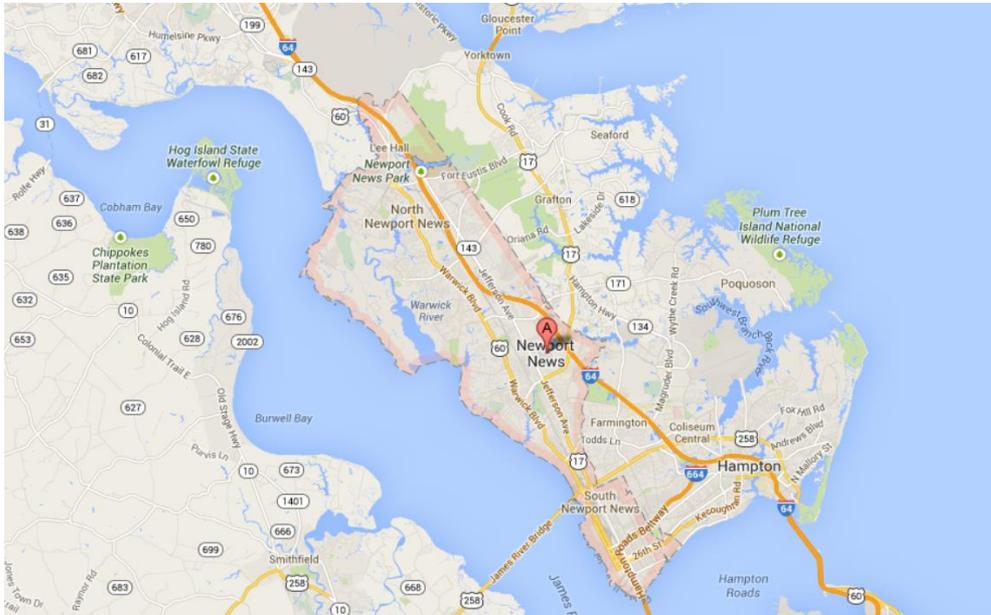
Asymmetries identified as modulations in  $\varphi$ , the *angle between the leptonic and the hadronic plane*

# Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility

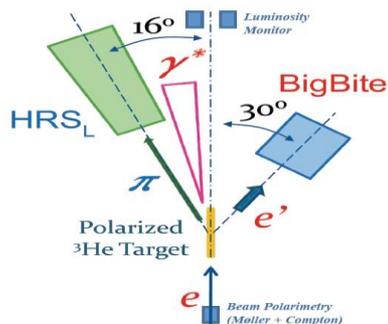


The **CEBAF (Continuous Electron Beams Accelerator Facility)** operates in the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (Newport News, VA, USA). The Cebaf:

- provides a continuous electron beam with a duty factor  $\sim 100\%$ ;
- with a beam energy up to 6 GeV;
- has a good energy resolution ( $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} \sim 10^{-5}$ );
- and the beam has a polarization  $\sim 85\%$

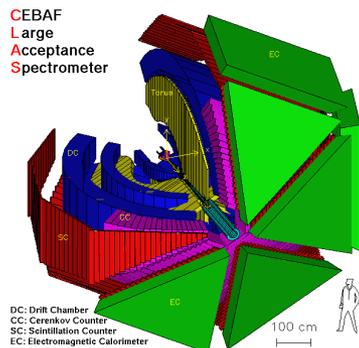


# The three experimental Halls@JLab



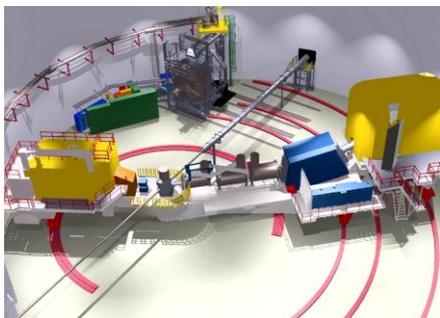
**Hall-A:** High-resolution spectrometers ( $\delta p/p \sim 10^{-4}$ ), measurements with well-defined kinematics at very-high luminosity

*NIM A 522, 294 (2004)*



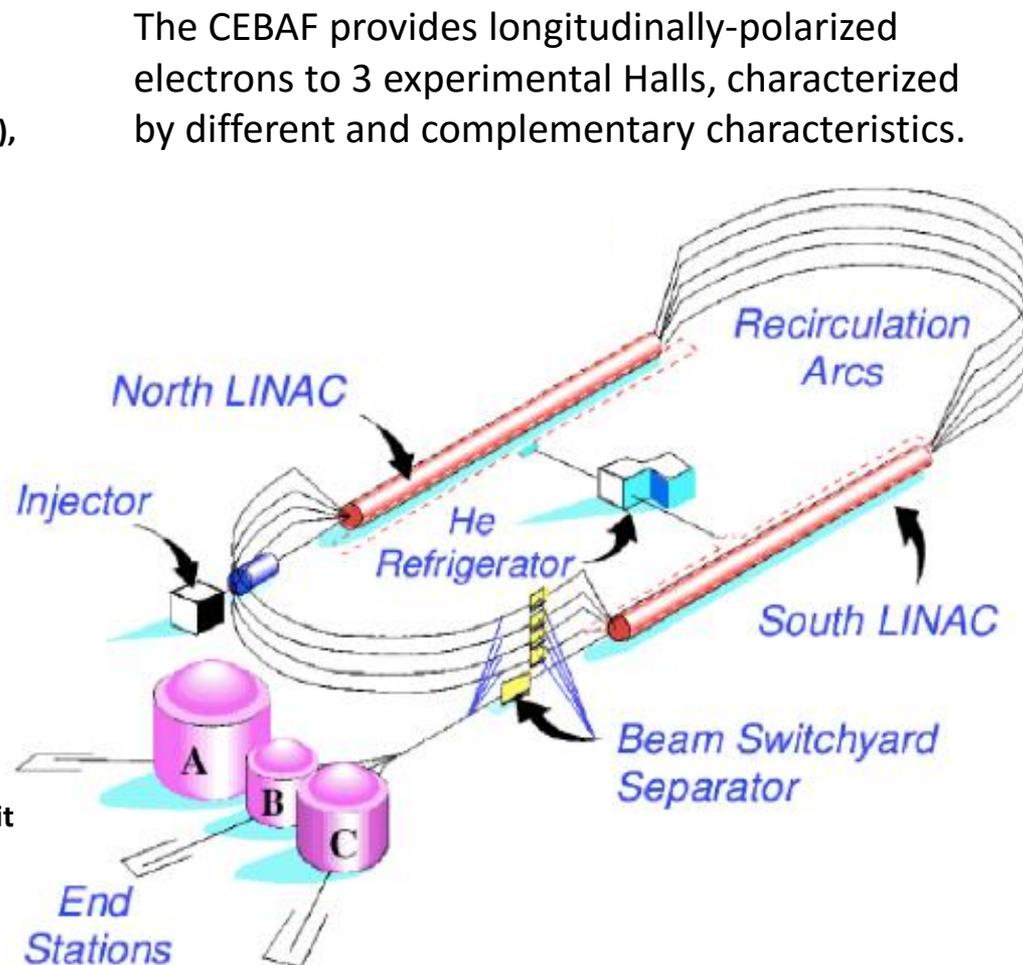
**Hall-B:** high luminosity, Large acceptance, Multi-particle final state measurements

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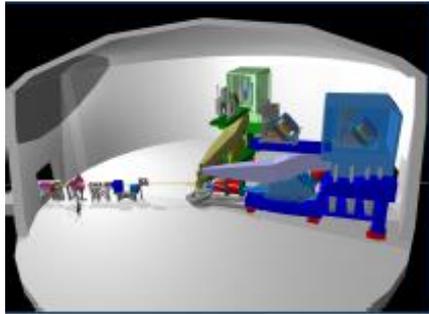
**Hall C:** High momentum spectrometer and Short Orbit Spectrometer—well-controlled acceptance for precise cross section measurements

*PRC 78, 045202 (2008)*

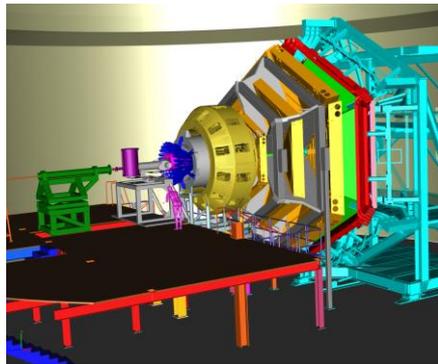


The CEBAF provides longitudinally-polarized electrons to 3 experimental Halls, characterized by different and complementary characteristics.

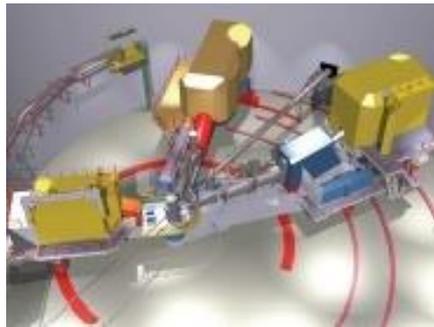
# The 12-GeV upgrade



High Resolution Spectrometer (HRS) pair and specialized large installation experiments

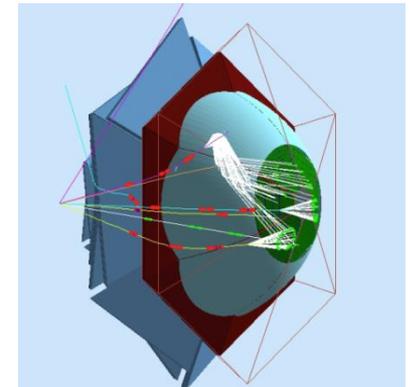
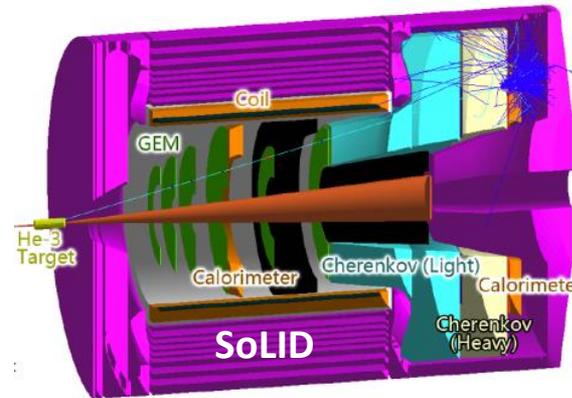
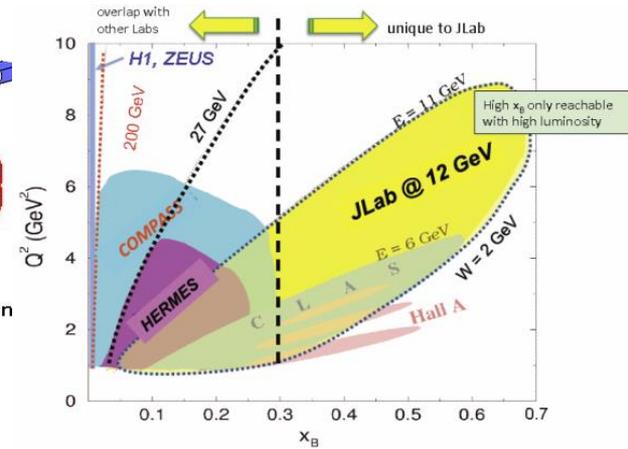
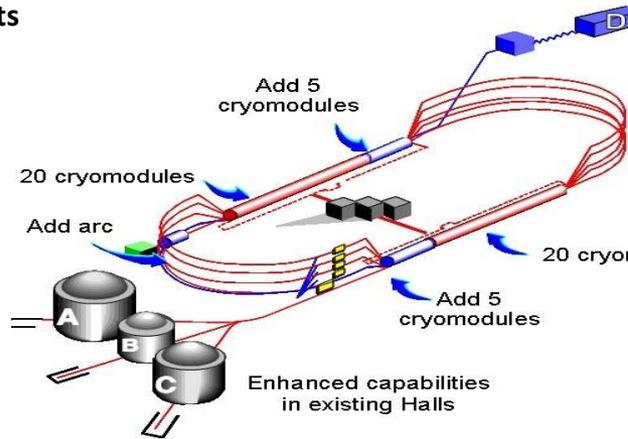


CLAS12: large acceptance, high luminosity



Super High Momentum Spectrometer (SHMS) at high luminosity and forward angles

4 experimental halls with a longitudinally-polarized electron beam of  $E_{e^-}$  up to 12 GeV.



RICH for CLAS12

Different experiments (will) explore (-ed) different regions of the phase space

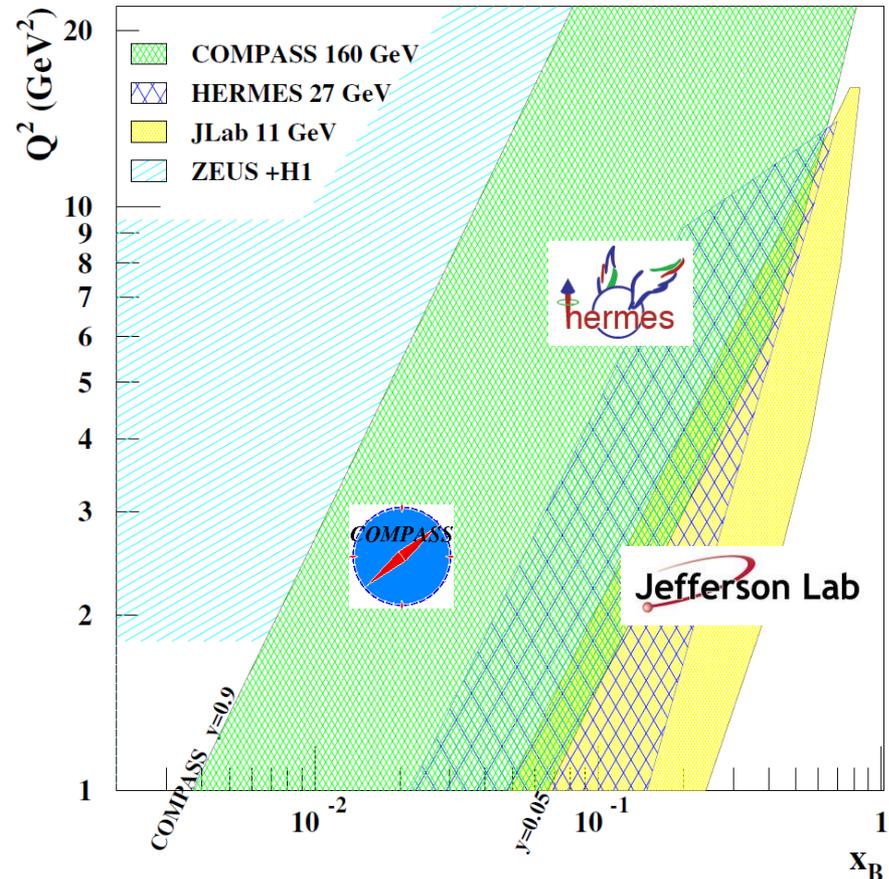
...ranging from the gluon-dominated domain of HERA to the quark valence region of JLab

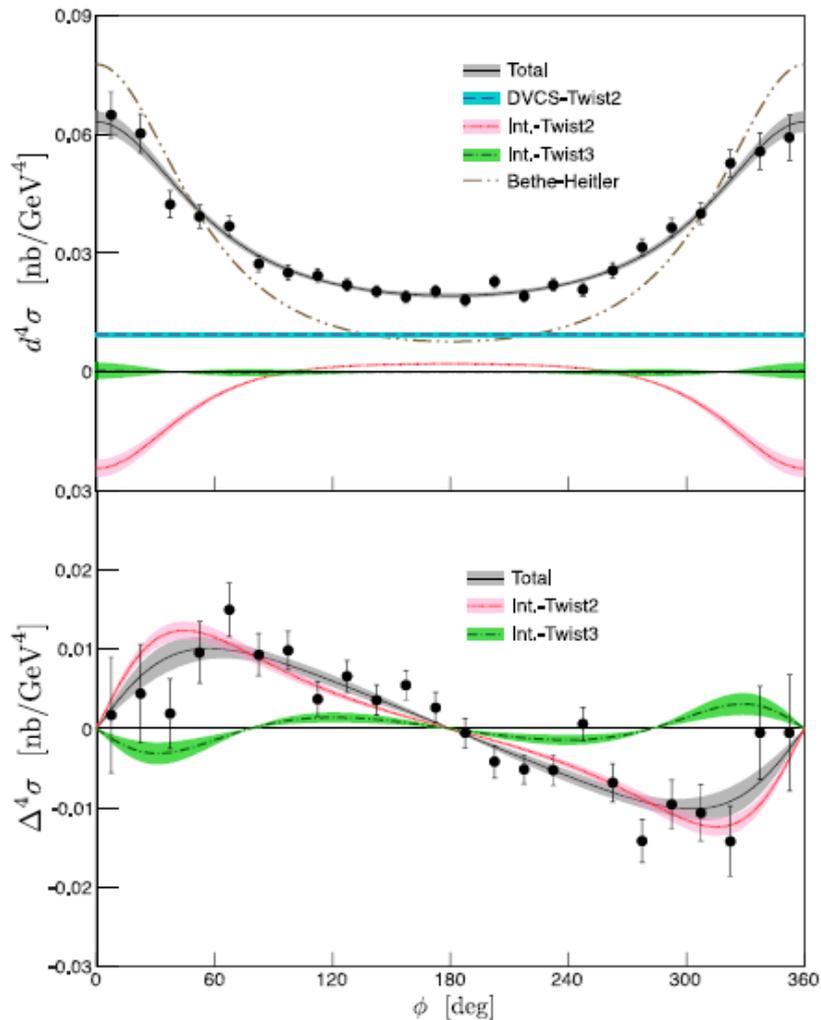
Fixed-target experiments in the past:

- HERMES@Desy:  $e^\pm$  beam ( $E_e = 27\text{GeV}$ )
- Hall-A, CLAS@JLab:  $e^-$  beam ( $E_e = 6\text{GeV}$ )

Future experiments:

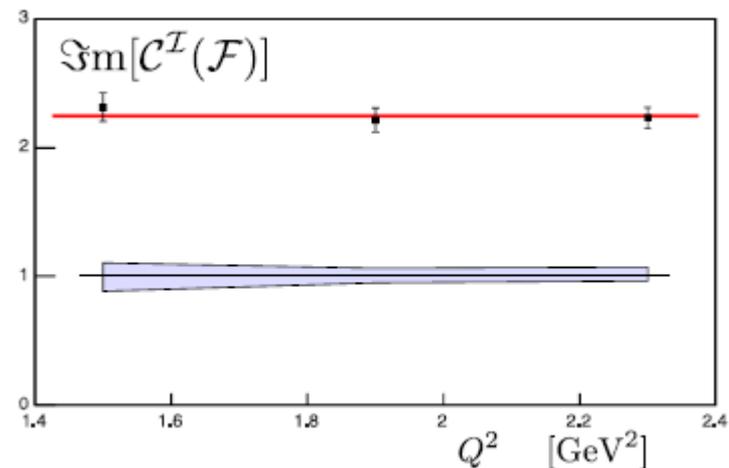
- Hall-A, CLAS12@JLab12:  $e^-$  beam ( $E_e = 12\text{GeV}$ )
- COMPASSII@CERN:  $\mu^\pm$  beam ( $E_e = 160\text{GeV}$ )





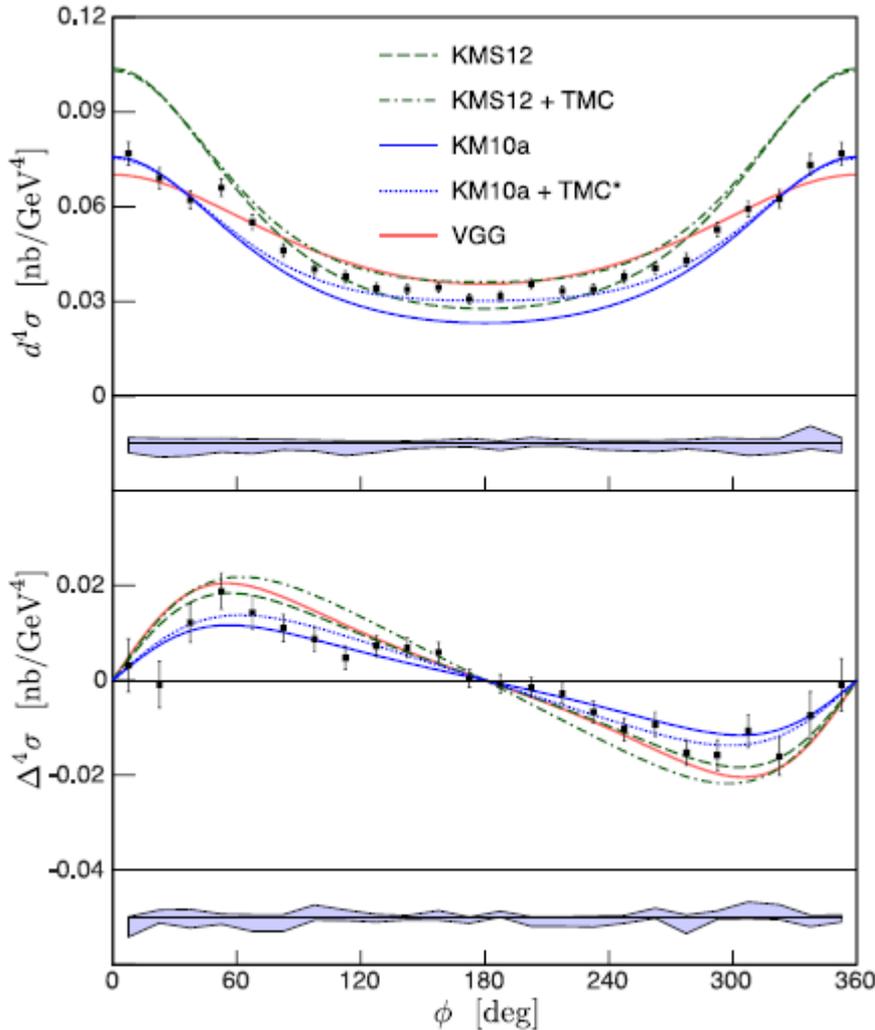
$$x_B = 0.37, Q^2 = 2.36 \text{ GeV}^2, -t = 0.32 \text{ GeV}^2$$

- Significant contribution from  $|\mathcal{T}^{DVCS}|^2$  ( $\phi$ -independent) and  $\mathcal{T}^{int}$
- Clear deviation from BH-only behaviour around  $\phi = 180^\circ$
- Helicity-dependent cross-section twist-2 dominated



- no  $Q^2$  dependence visible in the CFFs (evolution effects negligible for the present  $Q^2$  lever arm)

**M. Defurne et. al., hep-ex:1504.05453**



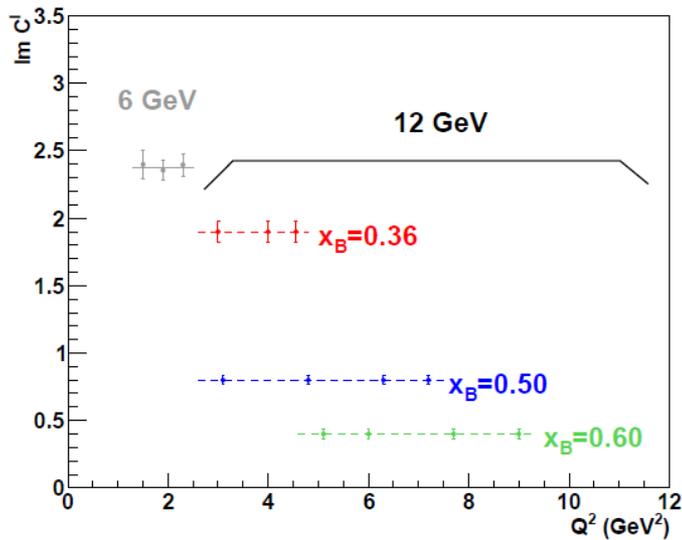
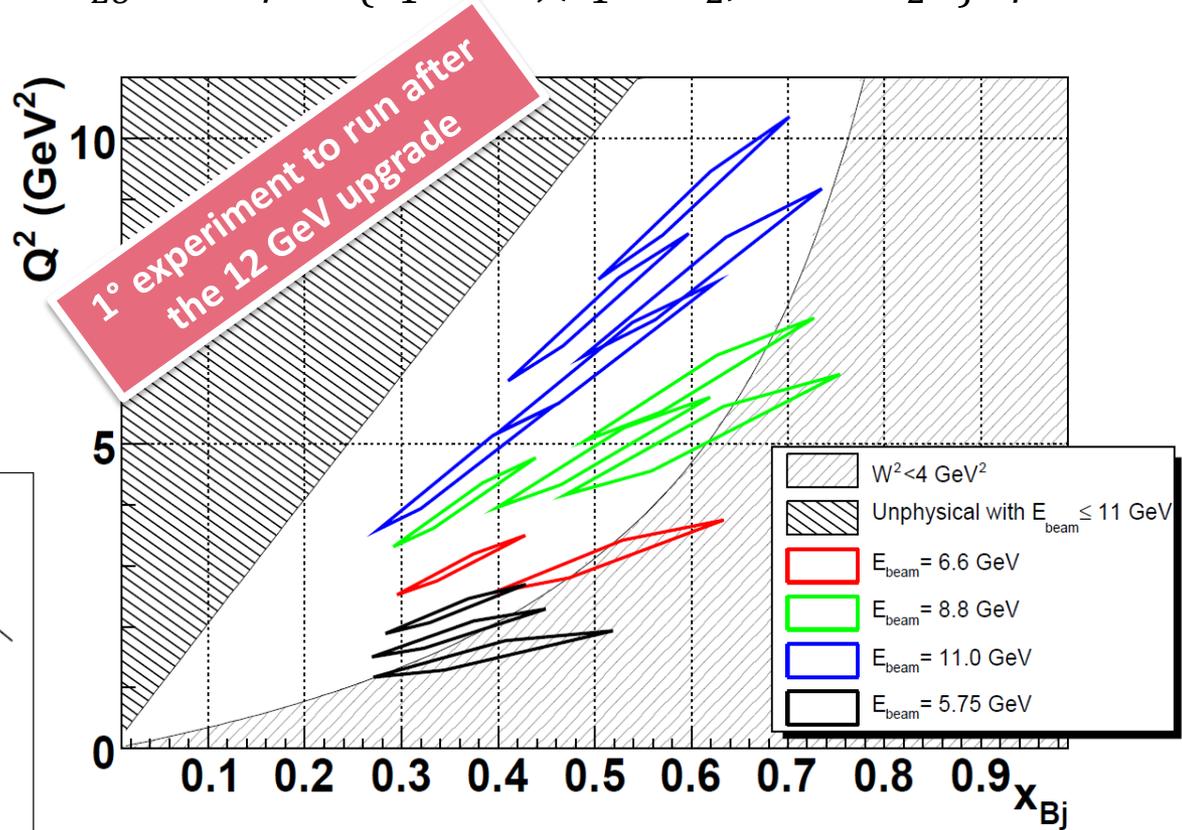
- Both Double-Distribution based models (VGG&KMS12) overestimate the helicity-dependence cross-section
- KMS12 tuned on vector-meson data at low-to-very-low  $x_B$
- KM10a shows good agreement → model parameters already constrained from CLAS (Hall-B) asymmetry data on the same kinematical region.
- KM10a underestimates DVCS contribution around  $\varphi = 180^\circ$
- Lack of strength around  $\varphi = 180^\circ$  partly compensates by Target-Mass Corrections (TMS)
- Need a refit of KMS12 including valence data

***M. Defurne et. al., hep-ex:1504.05453***

Beam-polarized and unpolarized cross sections with high precision at three electron-beam energies to get:

- increased kinematic coverage
- Test of scaling  $\rightarrow Q^2$  dependence of  $d\sigma$  at fixed  $x_B$

$$\Delta\sigma_{LU} \propto \sin\varphi \operatorname{Im}\{F_1\mathcal{H} + \xi(F_1 + F_2)\widetilde{\mathcal{H}} + kF_2\mathcal{E}\}d\varphi$$



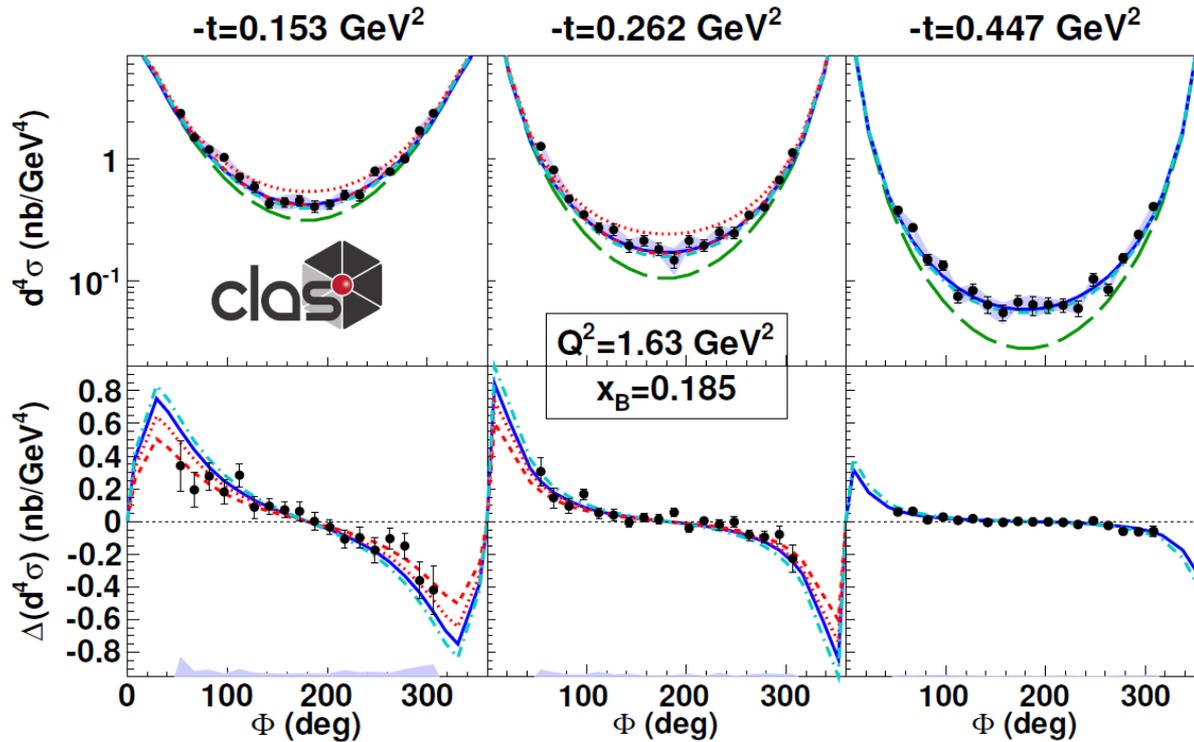
Large  $Q^2$  region explored with high statistics

# Hall-B: DVCS cross-section on the proton in Hall-B (E01-113)

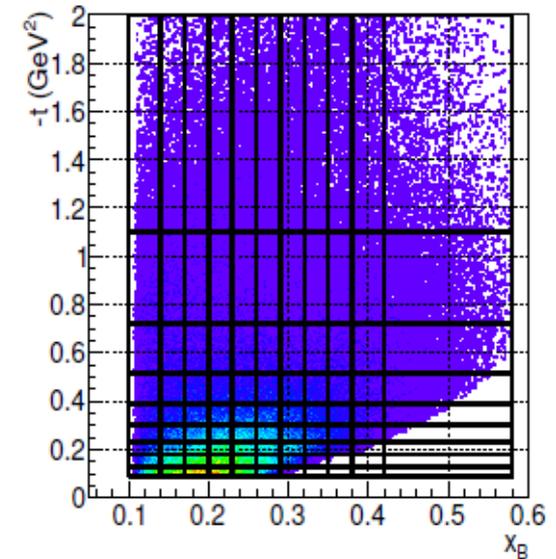
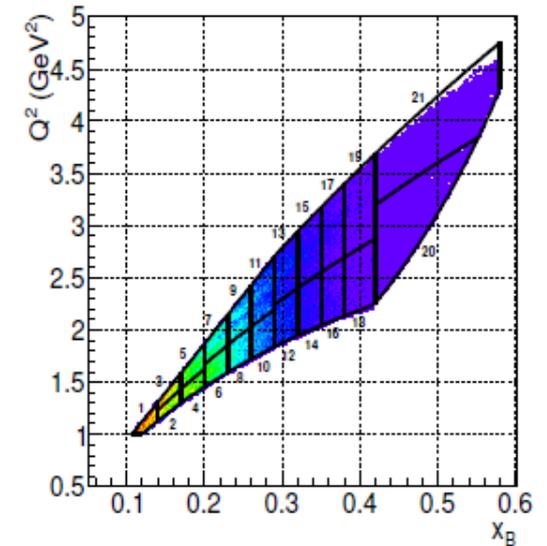
Extraction in a LARGE kinematic domain

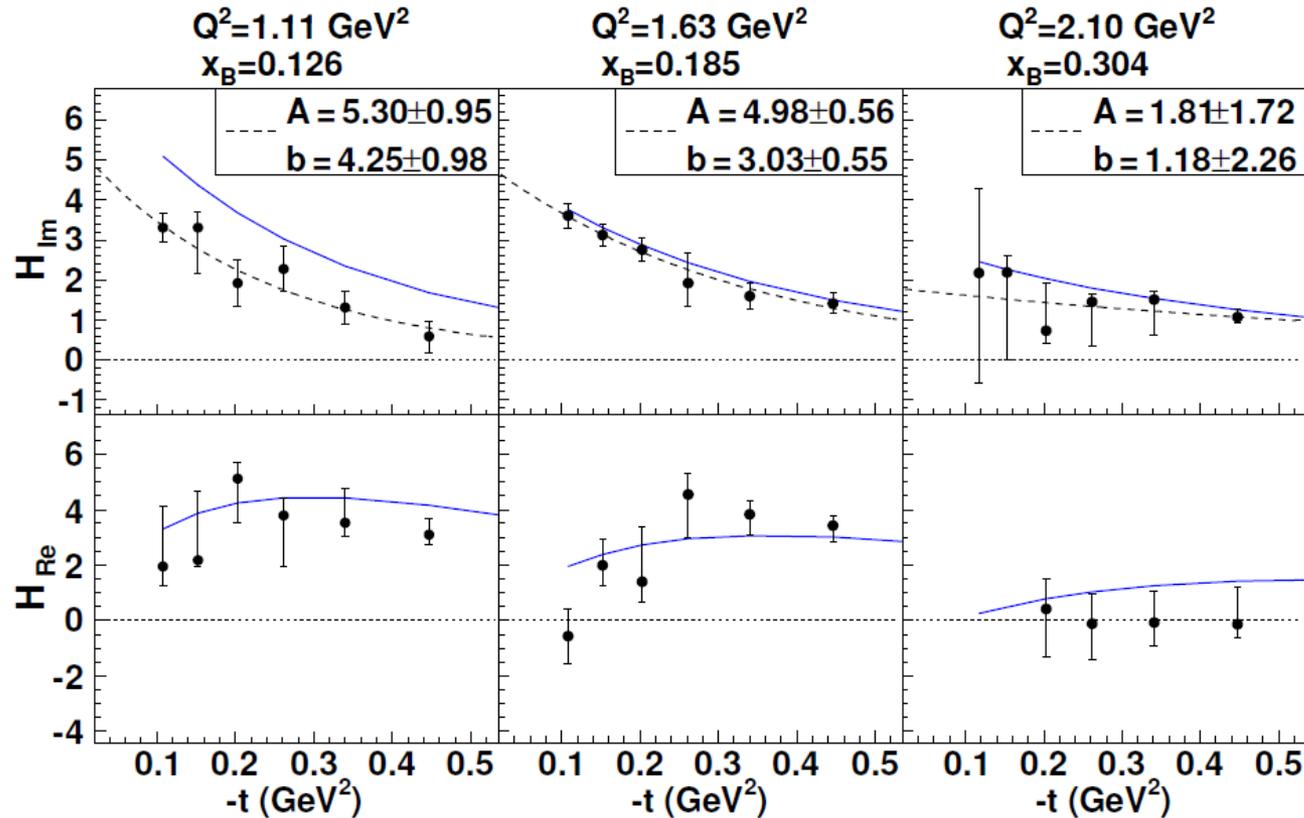
$$\frac{d^4\sigma_{ep \rightarrow e'p\gamma}}{dQ^2 dx_B dt d\phi}$$

- BH only
- VGG (H only)
- ⋯ KM10 (Kumericki, Mueller)
- - - KM10a
- - - KMS



H. S. Jo et. al., hep-ex:1504.02009, accepted by PRL





○ VGG model

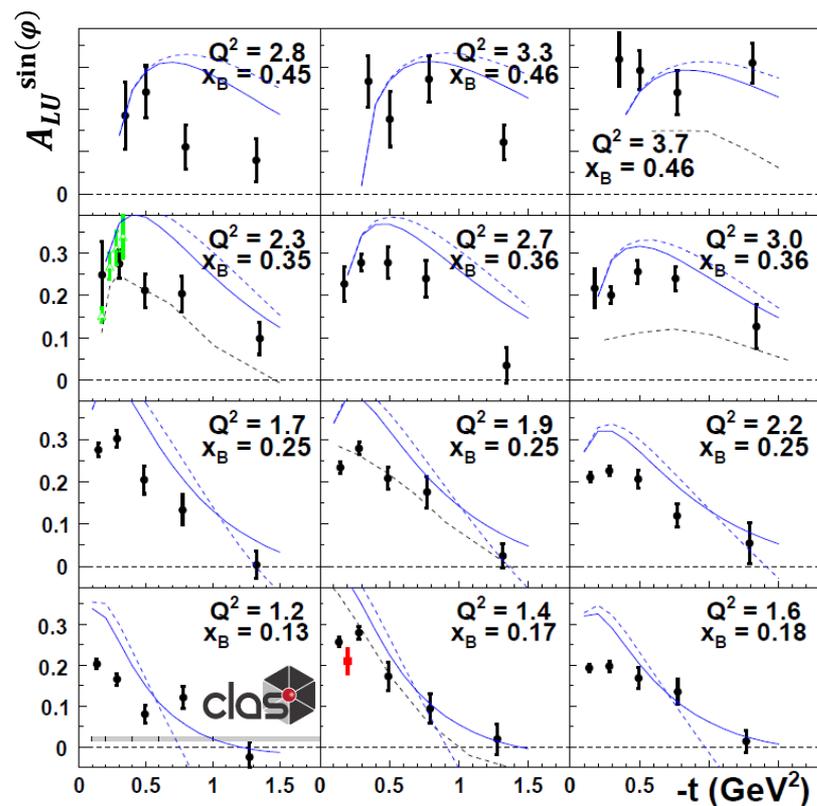
○  $Ae^{bt}$

$A, b$  increases with  $x_B$

→ the partonic content of the nucleon increases when probing smaller  $x_B$

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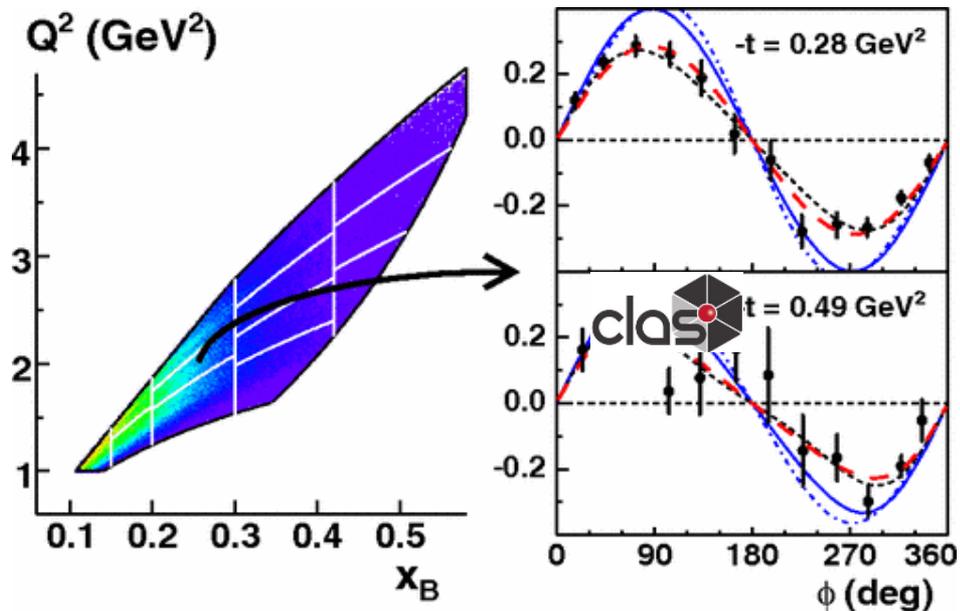
First CLAS DVCS devoted experiment on unpolarized  $H_2$



$$- - - f = \frac{a \sin \phi}{1 + b \cos \phi}$$

— VGG twist-2

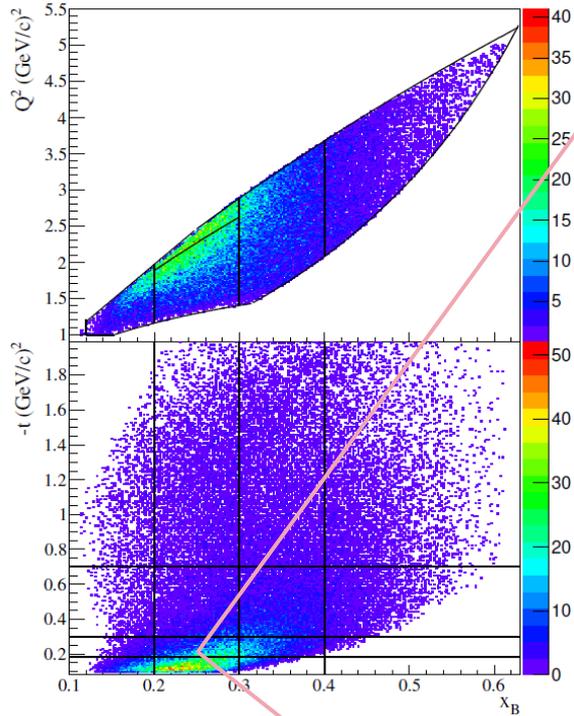
- - - VGG twist-3



- CLAS e1-dvcs
- ▲ Hall A
- CLAS @ 4.3 GeV<sup>2</sup>
- VGG(\*) twist-2
- - - VGG(\*) twist-2 and 3
- ⋯ Regge model (Laget)

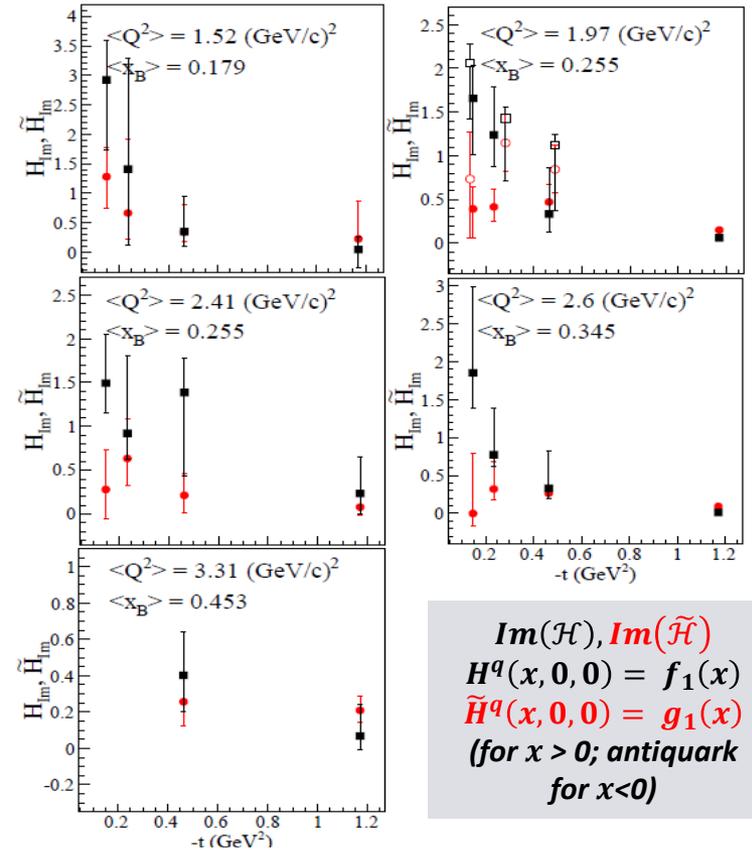
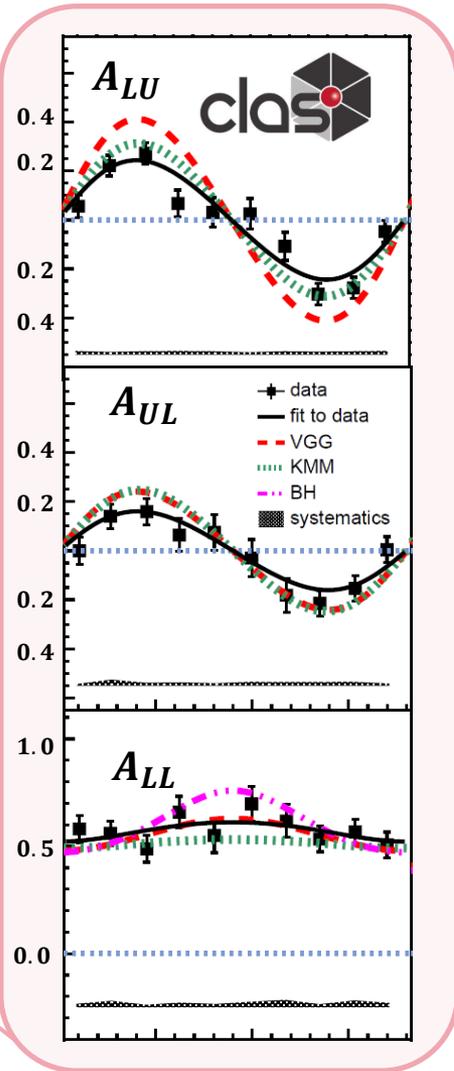
*F. X. Girod et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 162002 (2008).*

# Comparing charge distributions: $A_{LU} \propto \mathcal{H}_{Im}$ , $A_{UL} \propto \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{Im}$



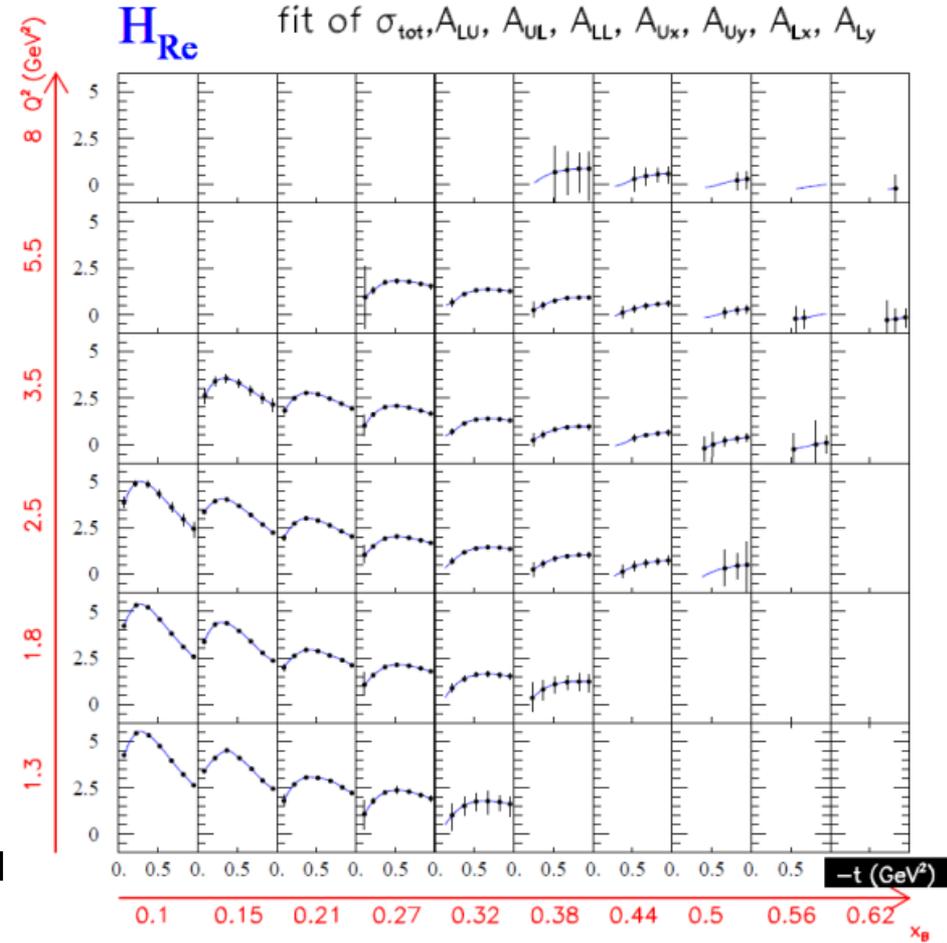
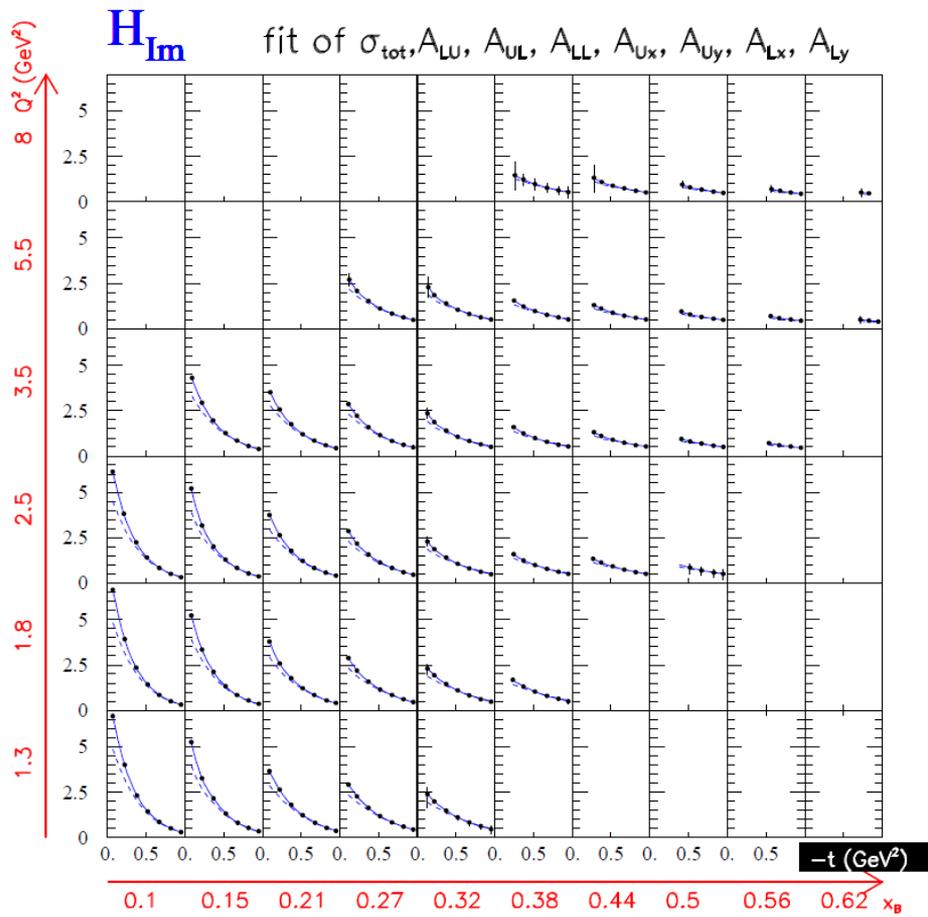
High statistics extraction of Single and Double-Spin Asymmetries

→ simultaneous CFF extraction from three observables in a common kinematics

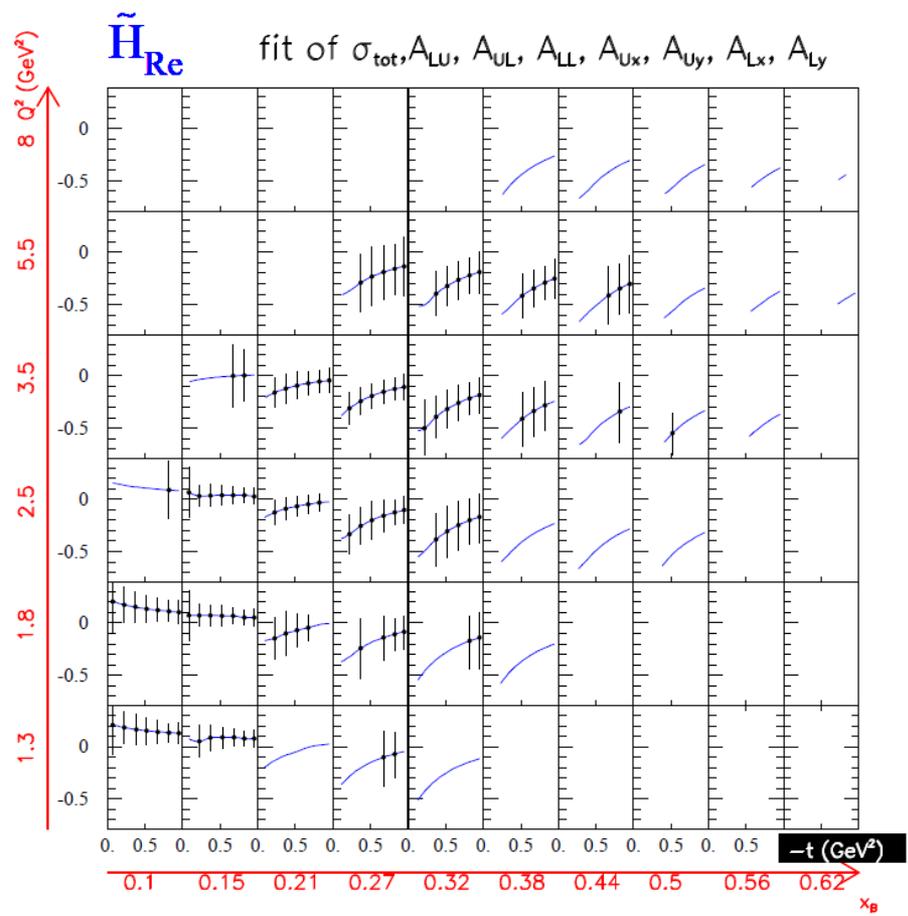
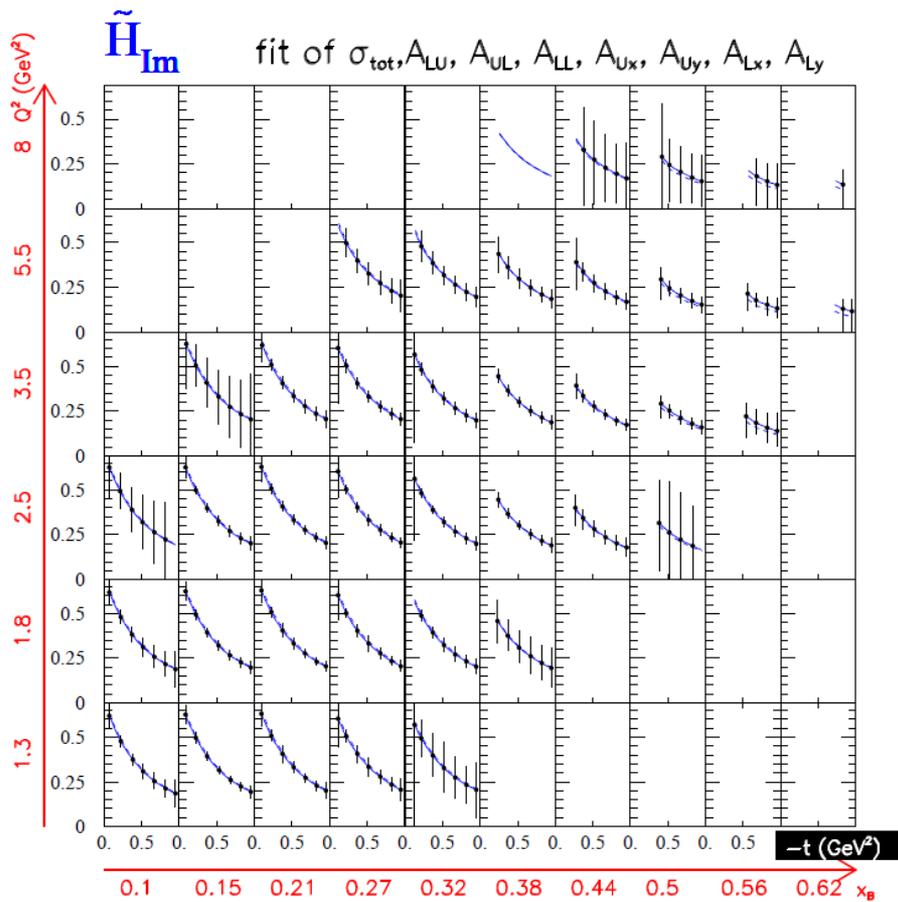


→ axial charge is more concentrated in the nucleon centre than the electric charge

E. Seder et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 032001 (2015)  
S.P. et al, Phys. Rev. D 91, 052014 (2015)



*M. Guidal, H. Moutarde, M. Vanderhaeghen: hep-ph > arXiv:1303.6600*



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$$J_q = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{+1} dx x [H^q(x, \xi, t = 0) + E^q(x, \xi, t = 0)]$$

$$J_q = L_q + S_q$$

$S_q \rightarrow$  accessible through Inclusive Deep-Inelastic Scattering

*Quark Orbital Angular Momentum can be extracted*

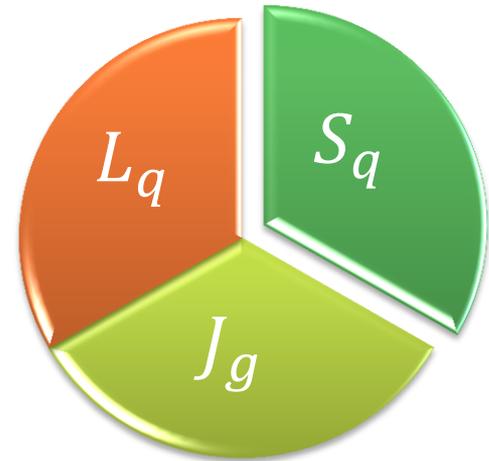
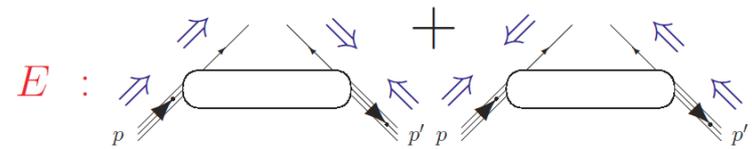
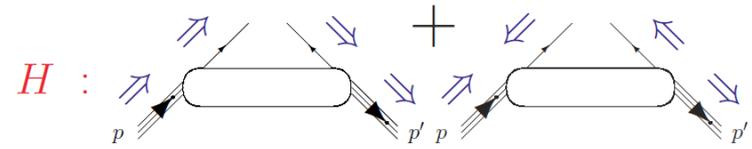
To access  $E_u$  &  $E_d$  both  $E_p$  &  $E_n$  are needed so to perform a *flavor separation*

$$(H, E)_u(\xi, \xi, t) = \frac{9}{15} [4(H, E)_p(\xi, \xi, t) - (H, E)_n(\xi, \xi, t)]$$

$$(H, E)_d(\xi, \xi, t) = \frac{9}{15} [4(H, E)_n(\xi, \xi, t) - (H, E)_p(\xi, \xi, t)]$$

**Neutron GPD  $E_n$ :**  $A_{LU}$  on the neutron

**Proton GPD  $E_p$ :**  $\cos \varphi$  modulation in  $\sigma_{UT}$  on proton



$$J_q = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{+1} dx x [H^q(x, \xi, t=0) + E^q(x, \xi, t=0)]$$

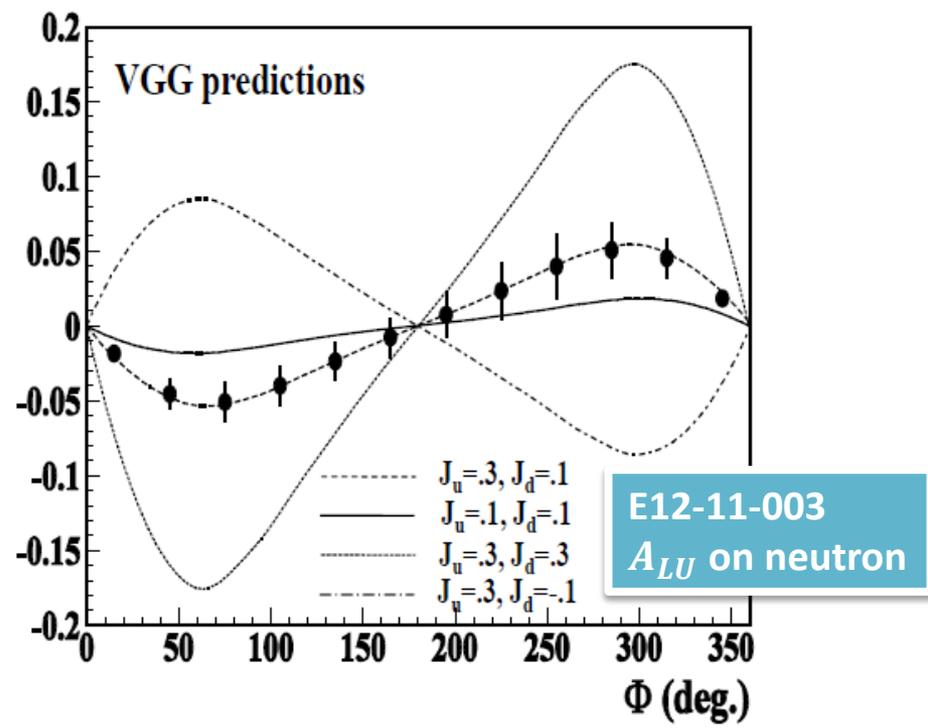
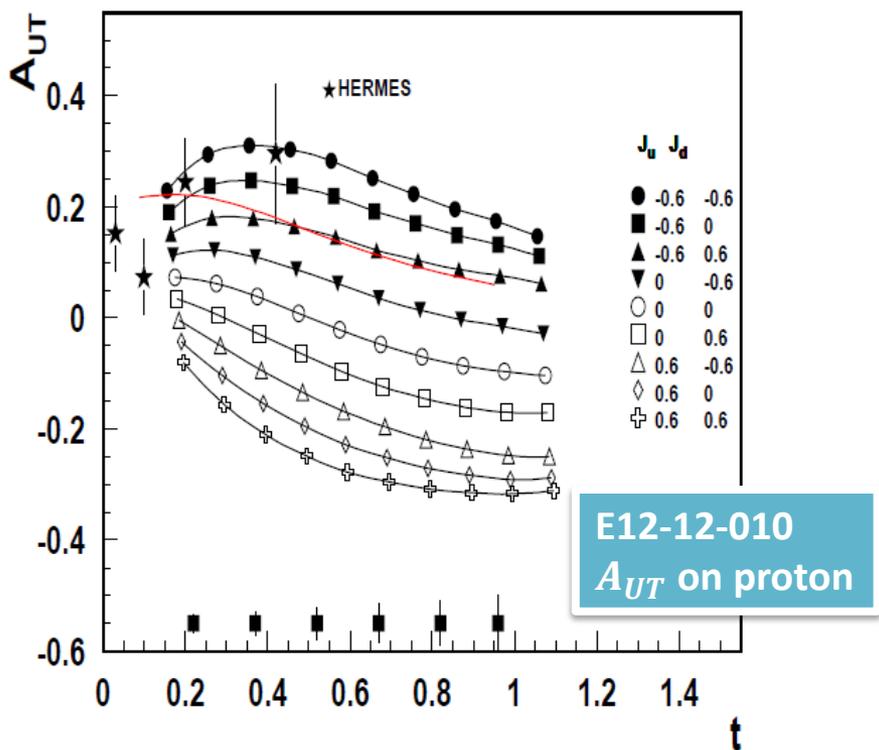
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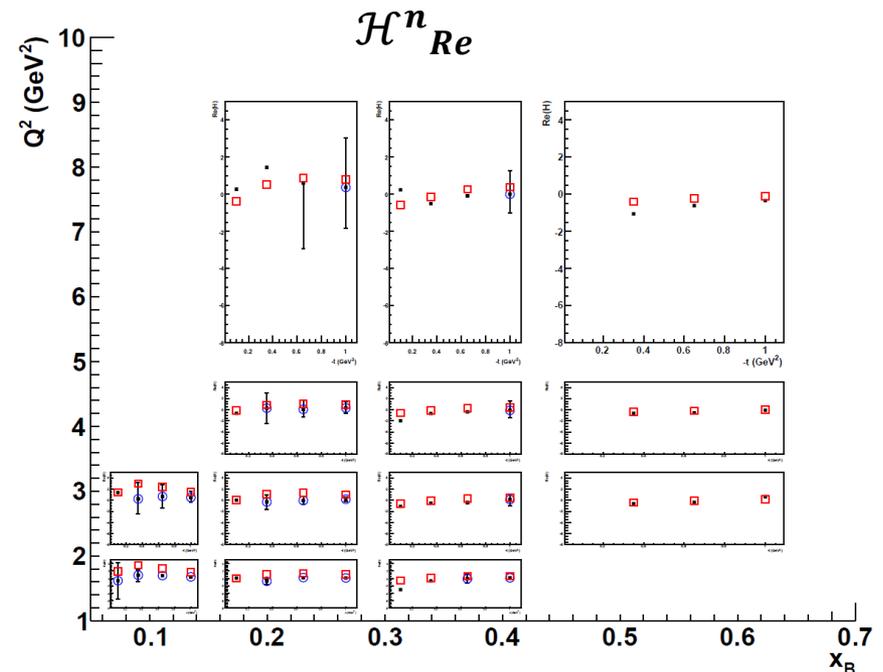
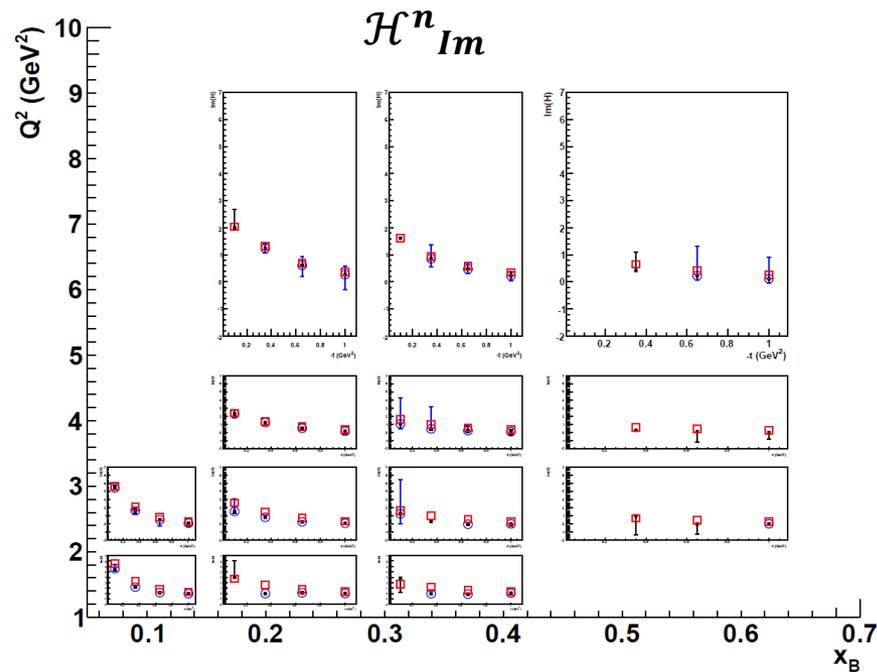
**Neutron GPD  $E_n$** :  $A_{LU}$  on the neutron



New Research Proposal to Jefferson Lab PAC 43

→ to be (re-)submitted to  
**PAC44**

## Deeply virtual Compton scattering on the neutron at 11 GeV with CLAS12 and a longitudinally polarized deuterium target



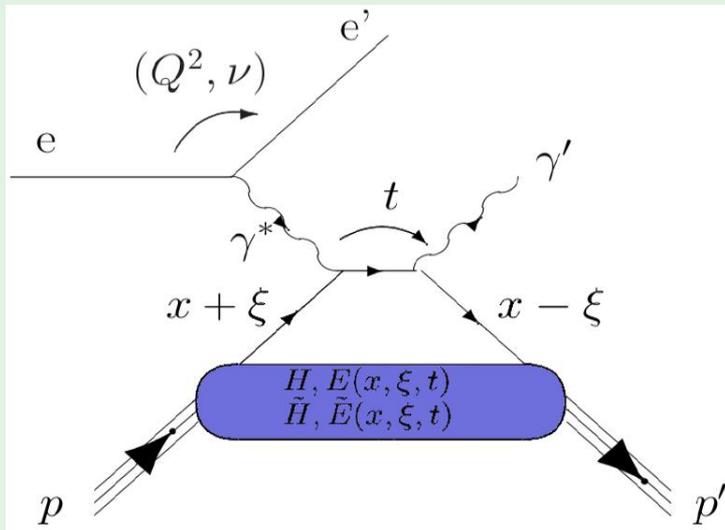
- Our knowledge of the nucleon structure has become richer in the last years thanks to GPD formalism and the experimental results of DVCS
- **combined measurement of several DVCS observables** in a vast kinematic space *to* disentangle the contributions of the various GPDs and their complex kinematic dependences
- Extracting both proton and neutron data is paramount if we want to ultimately perform a flavor decomposition of the GPDs
- Such a flavor separation is critical to access the elementary degrees of freedom of QCD and to connect them to macroscopic hadron properties such as mass or orbital angular momentum

It is important to comment on practical aspects of the experiment. First of all, from the cross section, one finds that  $E$  and  $H$  can be measured either in unpolarized scattering, or in electron single-spin asymmetry through interference with the Bethe-Heitler amplitude [12], or in polarized electron scattering on a transversely polarized target. A detailed examination of various possibilities, together with some numerical estimates will be published elsewhere [13]. Second, the DVCS cross section is down by an order of  $\alpha_{em}$  compared with the deep-inelastic cross section, but has the same scaling behavior. So the cross section is appreciable, but statistics would be a challenging requirement. The ideal accelerator for the experiment is ~~ELFE~~ [14]. Finally, the extrapolation of  $\Delta^2$  from order  $M^2$  to 0 requires an extensive study of the form factors of the tensor  $\langle JLab$

*X. Ji Phys. Rev. Lett. 78 (1997) 610*

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# Generalized Parton Distributions through DVCS & DVMP



Hall-A: feasibility test at JLab kinematics & handbag description

*PRL97: 262002 (2006), C. Munoz Camacho et al. (Hall A collaboration), E12-06-114*

Hall-B: Pioneering single-spin asymmetry observations

*A<sub>LU</sub>: S. Stepanyan et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 87, 182002 (2001)*

*A<sub>UL</sub>: S. Chen et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 97, 072002 (2006)*

Hall-B: DVCS & DVMP cross-section measurements in a large kinematic domain

*E01-113, H. Jo et al., soon to be published  
I. Bedlinskiy et al., PRL109:112001 (2012)*

Hall-B: High-statistics extraction of Single- and Double Spin Asymmetries

*A<sub>LU</sub> for  $\pi^0$  on  $H_2$ : R. de Masi et al., PRC77:042201 (2008)*

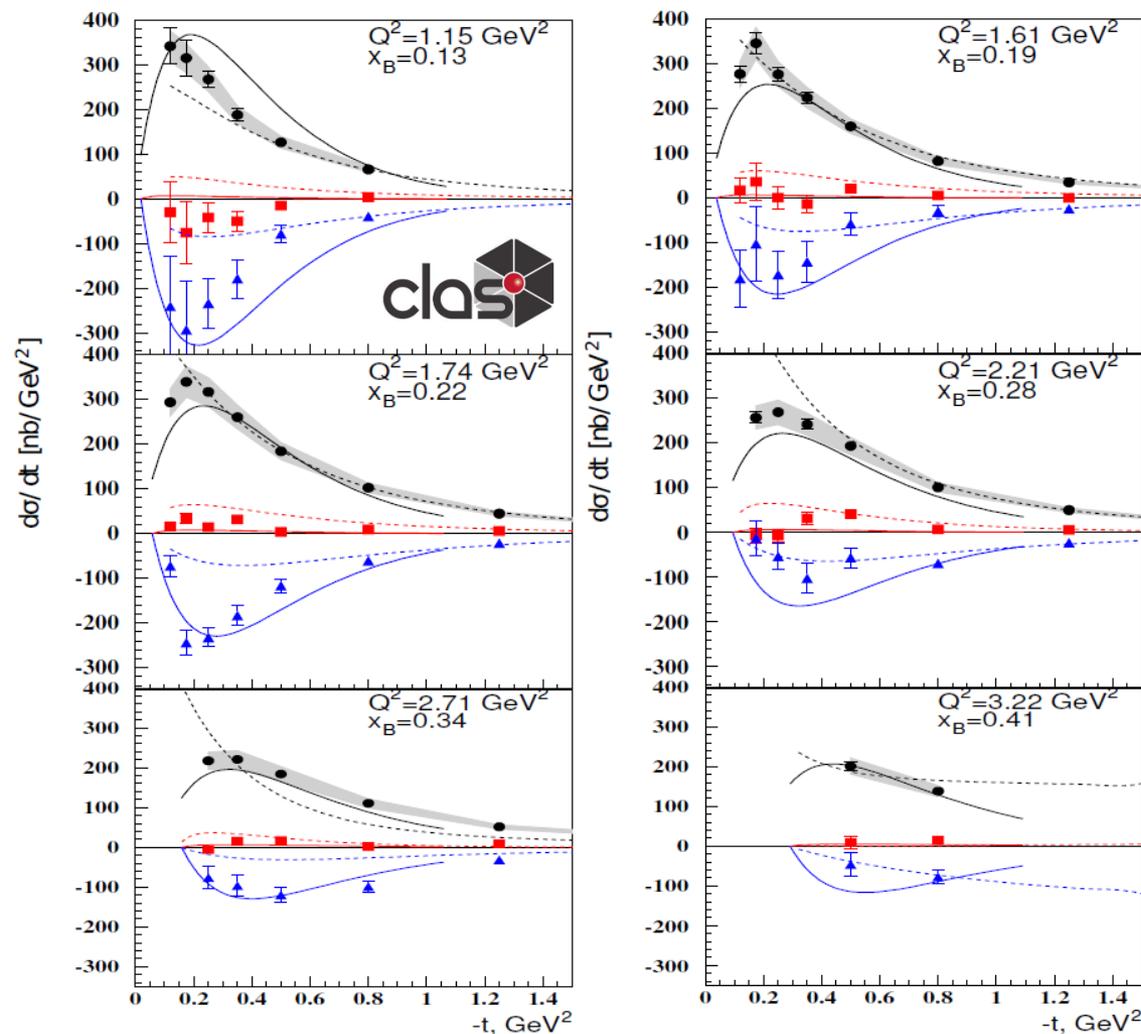
*A<sub>LU</sub> on  $H_2$ : PRL100: 162002 (2008) F.X. Girod et al., E12-06-119*

*DVCS & DV $\pi^0$ P  $A_{LU}, A_{UL}, A_{LL}$  on  $NH_3$ : soon to be published*

Hall-B Orbital Angular Momentum through GPDs

*E12-12-010,  $A_{UT}$  on proton*

*E12-11-003,  $A_{LU}$  on neutron*



$\pi^0$  electroproduction  $\rightarrow$  sensitivity to transversity GPDs

$h_1(x)$  is related to the nucleon tensor charge  $\rightarrow$  possible test of beyond-SM interactions of the nucleon (effects on beta decay)

$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{dQ^2 dx_B dt d\phi_\pi} = \Gamma(Q^2, x_B, E) \frac{1}{2\pi} (\sigma_T + \epsilon\sigma_L + \epsilon \cos 2\phi_\pi \sigma_{TT} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \cos \phi_\pi \sigma_{LT}).$$

$$\sigma_T \sim (1 - \xi^2) |H_T|^2 - \frac{t'}{8m^2} |\bar{E}_T|^2$$

$$\sigma_{TT} \sim \frac{t'}{8m^2} |\bar{E}_T|^2$$

$$\sigma_0 = \sigma_T + \epsilon\sigma_L$$

solid: P.Kroll & S.Goloskokov  
dashed: G.R. Goldstein, J.O. Gonzalez & S.Liuti

*I. Bedlinskiy et al., PRL109:112001 (2012)*

## Gauge-Invariant Decomposition of Nucleon Spin

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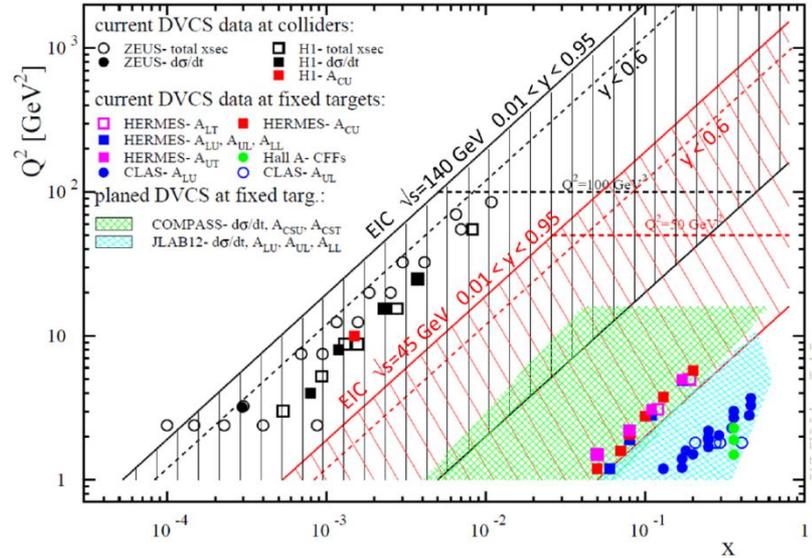
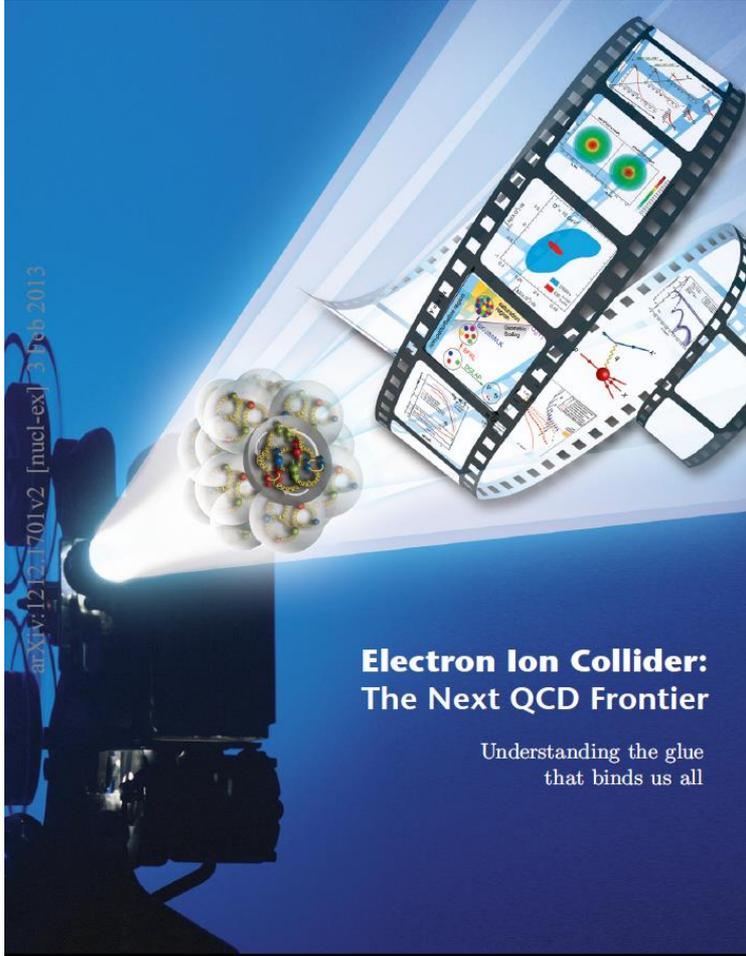
I introduce a gauge-invariant decomposition of the nucleon spin into quark helicity, quark orbital, and gluon contributions. The total quark (and hence the quark orbital) contribution is shown to be measurable through virtual Compton scattering in a special kinematic region where single quark scattering dominates. This deeply virtual Compton scattering has much potential to unravel the quark and gluon structure of the nucleon. [S0031-9007(96)02221-1]

$$J_q = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{+1} dx x [H^q(x, \xi, t = 0) + E^q(x, \xi, t = 0)]$$

$$J_q = L_q + S_q$$

$S_q \rightarrow$  accessible through Inclusive Deep-Inelastic Scattering

*Quark Orbital Angular Momentum can be extracted*



- A collider is needed to reach the gluon-saturated domain
- electron probe will provide the unmatched precision of the electromagnetic probes
- dynamical interplay between sea quarks & gluons through their distributions
- change of distributions when going from small to large  $x$ , to relate sea and valence quarks

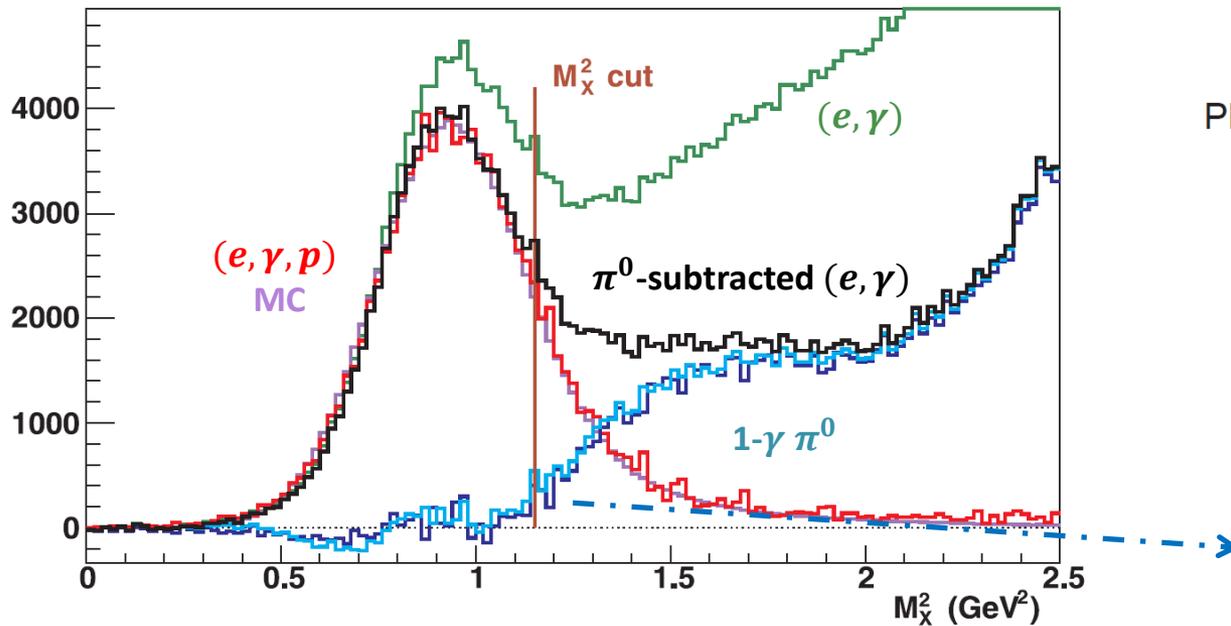
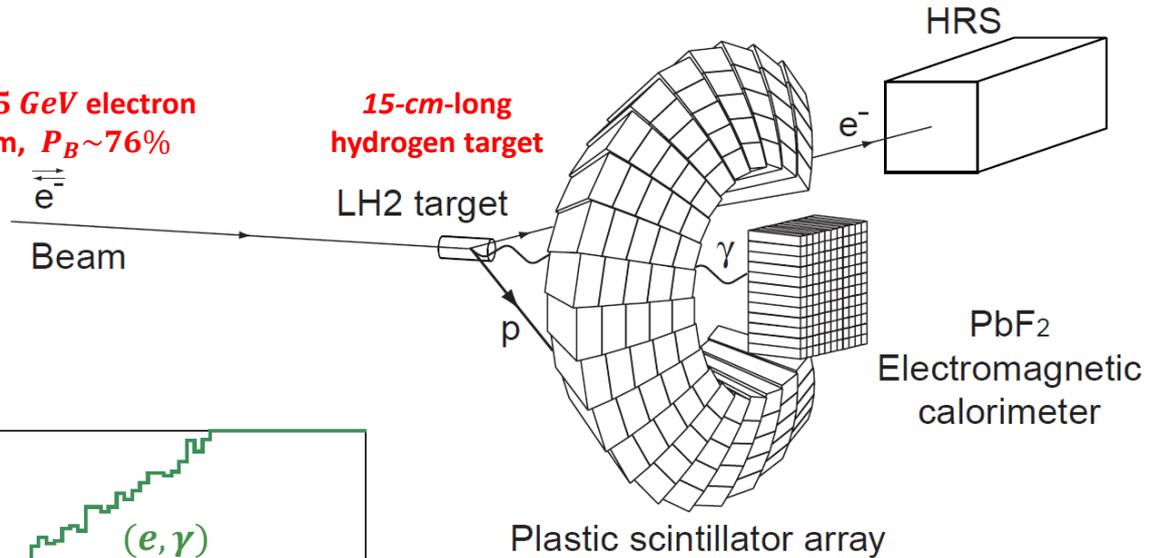
# DVCS on the proton in Hall-A (E00-110)

E00-110 → accurate cross section measurements at:

1. different  $Q^2$   
(1.5 ÷ 2.3  $GeV^2$ )
2. fixed  $x_B = 0.36$

5.75 GeV electron beam,  $P_B \sim 76\%$

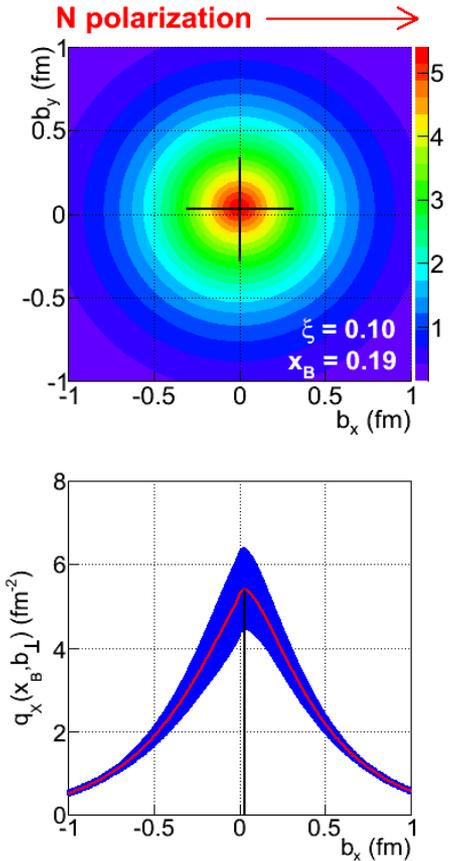
15-cm-long hydrogen target



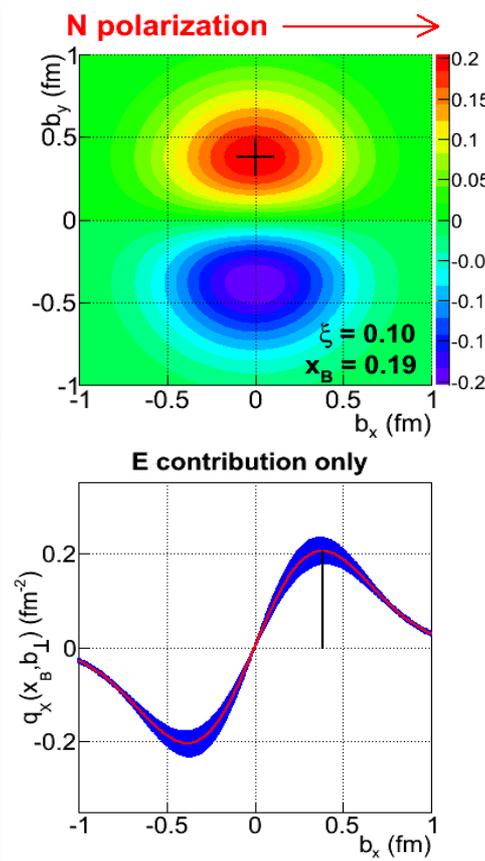
$10^{37} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Residual contamination < 3%

$$\rho_X(x, \vec{b}_\perp) = \int \frac{d^2 \vec{\Delta}_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} \left[ H(x, 0, t) - \frac{E(x, 0, t)}{2M} \frac{\partial}{\partial b_y} \right] e^{-i \vec{\Delta}_\perp \cdot \vec{b}_\perp}$$



**Contribution of  $H+E$**



**Contribution of  $E$**

- Fourier transform of GPDs to access quark densities in impact parameter space.
- GPD  $E$  probes the u- and d-quark separation in impact parameter space. Transversely polarized proton shows flavor dipole.

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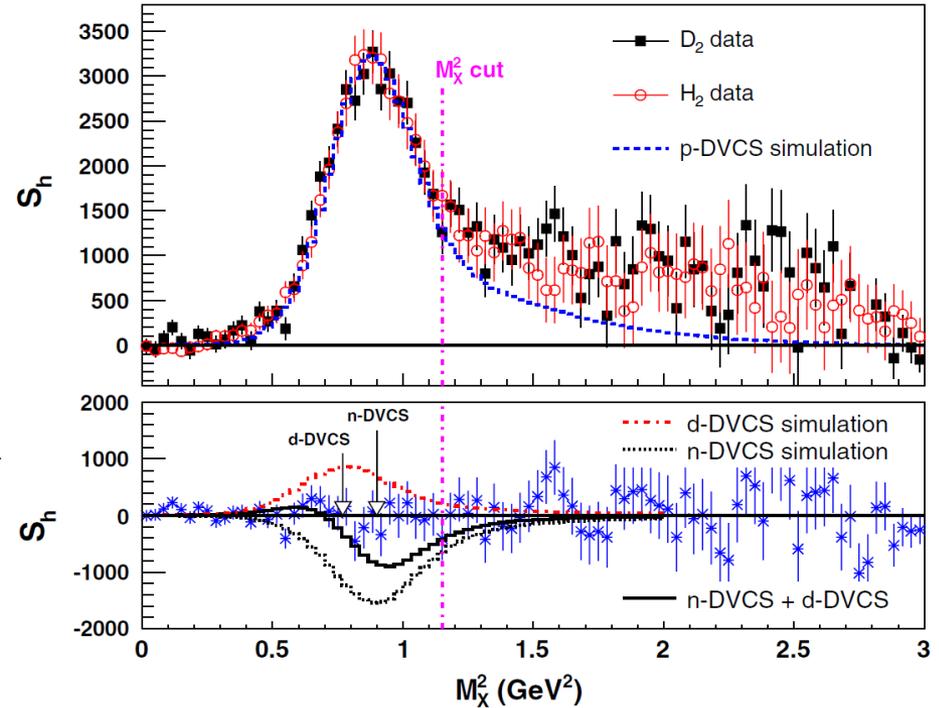
$(\vec{e}, e', \gamma)$  reaction on neutron off a deuterium target  $\rightarrow$  decomposed into **elastic** (*d-DVCS*) and **quasi-elastic** (*p-DVCS* and *n-DVCS*) contributions.

$$D(\vec{e}, e', \gamma)X = d(\vec{e}, e', \gamma)d + n(\vec{e}, e', \gamma)n + p(\vec{e}, e', \gamma)p + \dots$$

From  $D(\vec{e}, e', \gamma)X$  neutron events are obtained after the subtraction of the measured  $p(\vec{e}, e', \gamma)X$  on hydrogen.

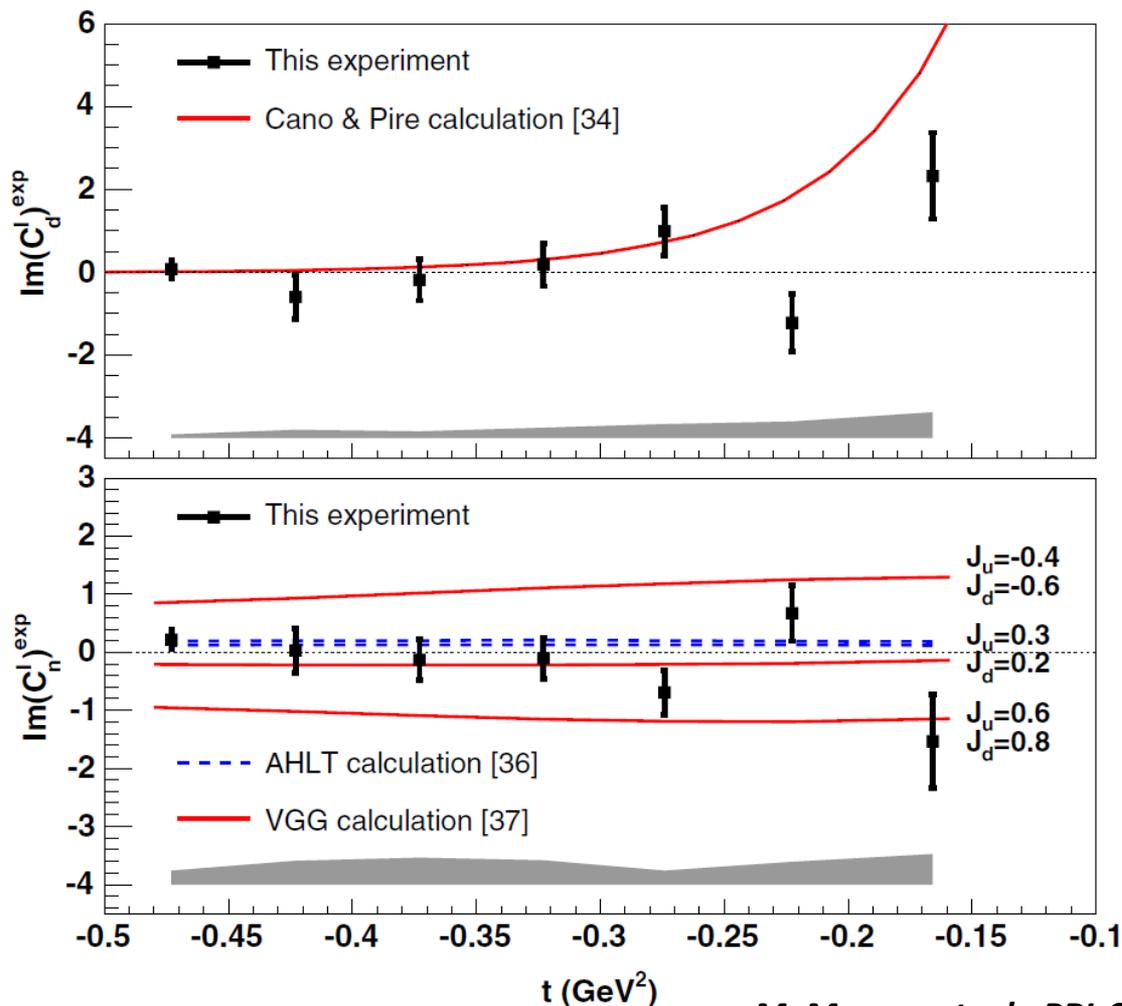
$\rightarrow$  Only twist-2 contributions are considered

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^5 \Sigma_{D-H}}{d^5 \Phi} &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d^5 \sigma^+}{d^5 \Phi} - \frac{d^5 \sigma^-}{d^5 \Phi} \right) \\ &= (\Gamma_d^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathfrak{S}m[C_d^I]^{\text{exp}} + \Gamma_n^{\mathfrak{S}} \mathfrak{S}m[C_n^I]^{\text{exp}}) \sin(\phi_{\gamma\gamma}) \end{aligned}$$



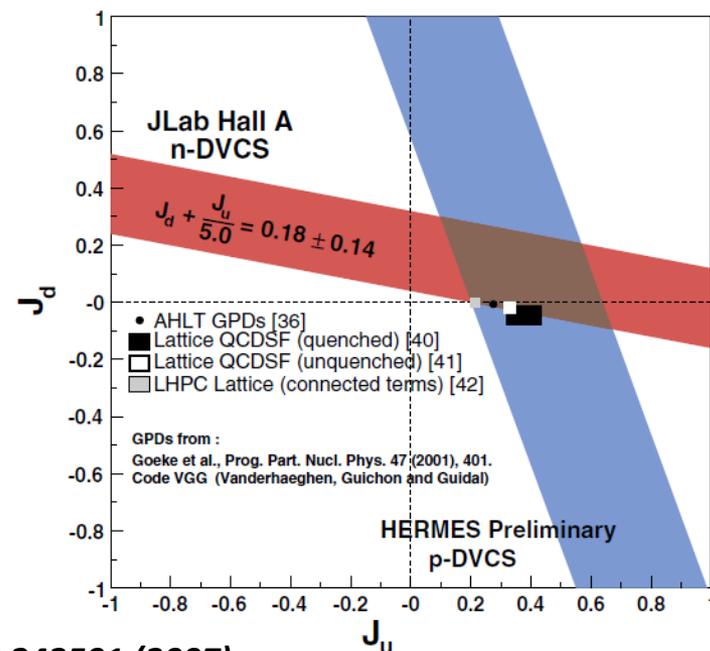
Sum of the *coherent* deuteron and *incoherent* neutron contributions

M. Mazouz et al., PRL 99 242501 (2007)

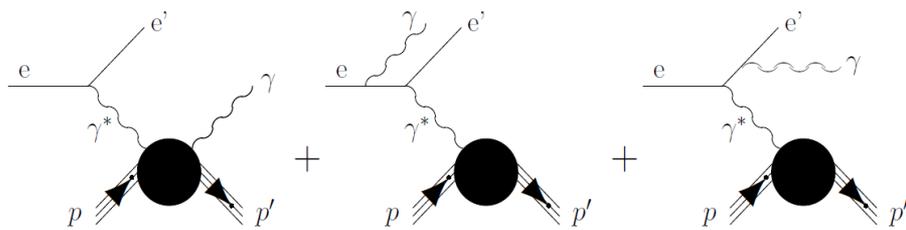


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First experimental constraint on the parametrization of  $E^q \rightarrow$  it is translated, within a model, in a constraint on the quark orbital angular momentum



Two processes contribute to the same  $(e, p, \gamma)$  final state: Bethe-Heitler and Deeply-Virtual Compton Scattering.

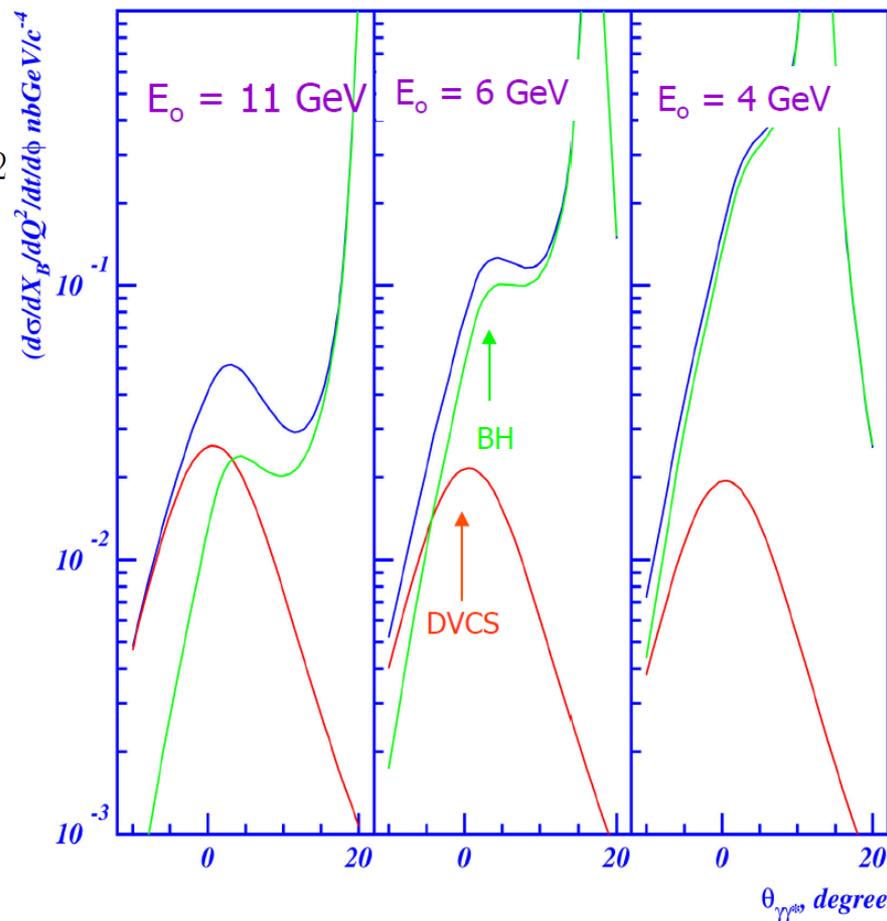


$$\sigma = |BH|^2 + I(BH \cdot DVCS) + |DVCS|^2$$



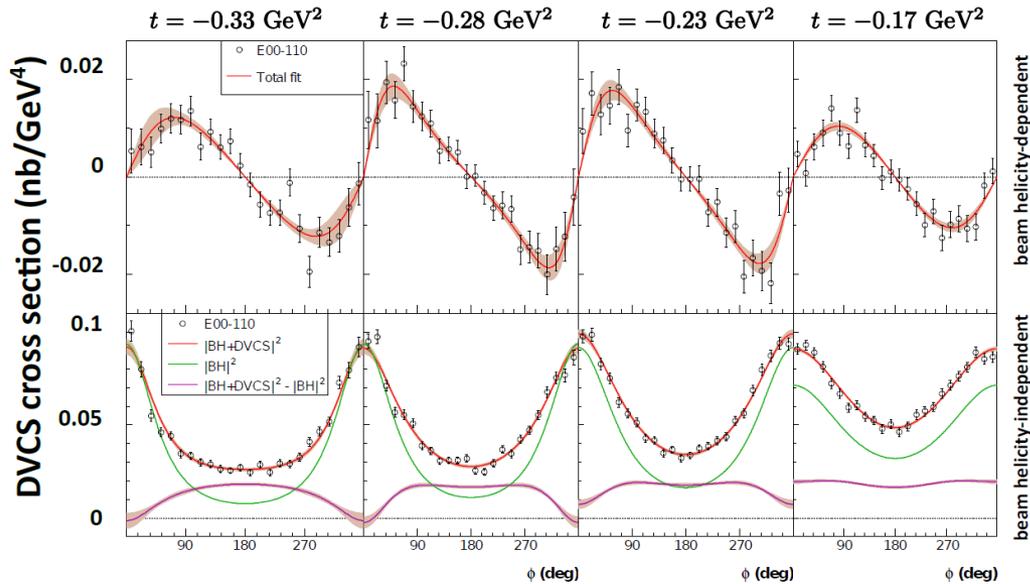
***$I(BH \cdot DVCS)$  gives rise to spin asymmetries, which can be connected to combinations of GPDs***

Cross section of  $ep \rightarrow ep\gamma$  at  $Q^2=2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  and  $X_B=0.35$

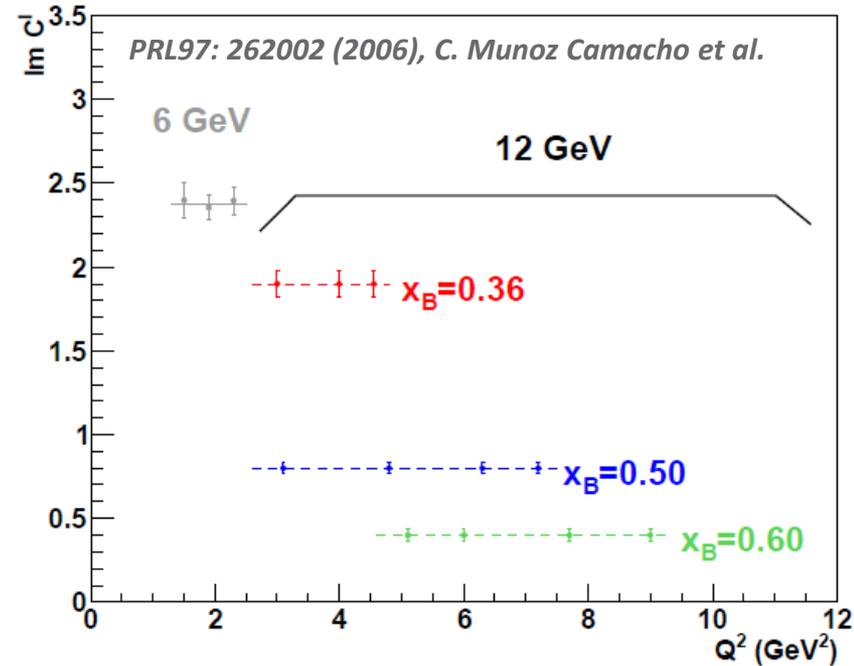


# Test of the formalism: scaling in JLab/Hall-A (E00-110)

4-fold extraction at  $x_B = 0.36$  of  $\sigma$  ( $\langle Q^2 \rangle = 2.3 \text{ GeV}^2$ ) &  $\sigma^+ - \sigma^-$  ( $\langle Q^2 \rangle = 1.5, 1.9, 2.3 \text{ GeV}^2$ ) in 4  $-t$  bins



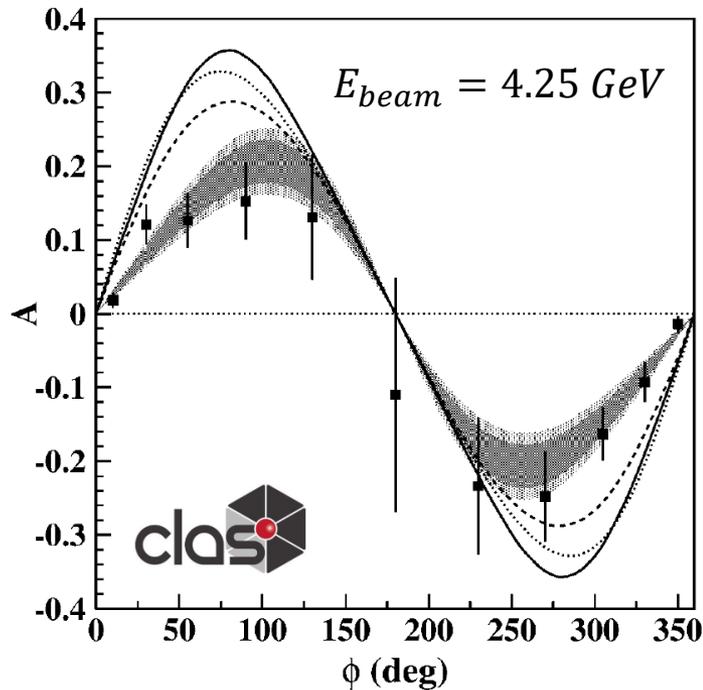
Significant deviation from pure BH  $\rightarrow$  DVCS contribution to the cross section not negligible



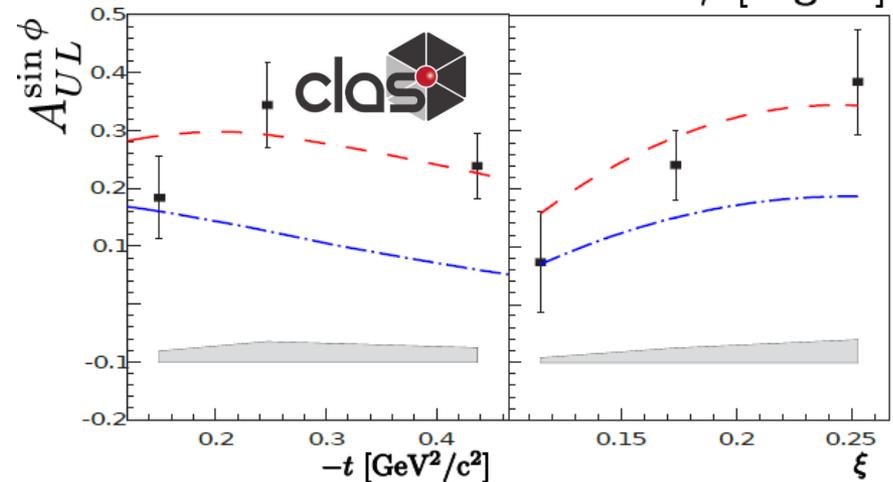
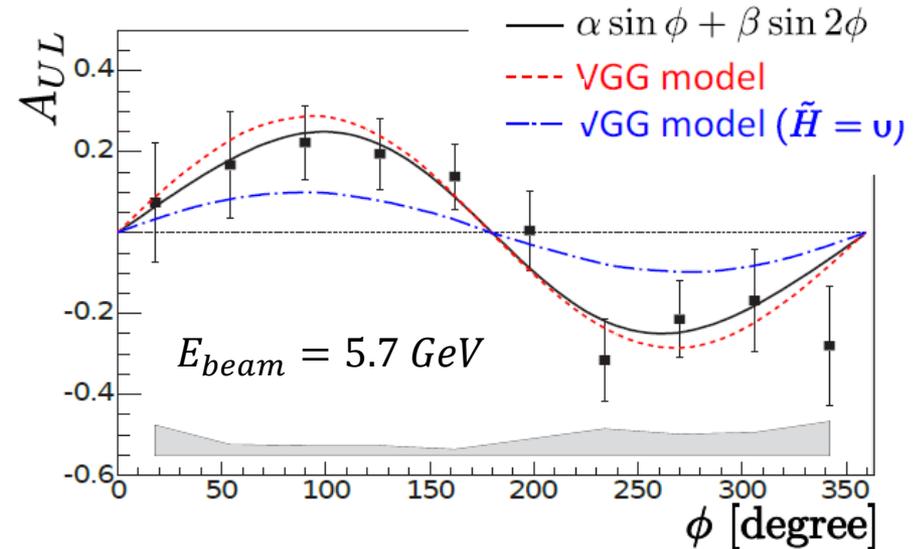
$\rightarrow \text{Im}(\mathcal{C}^I(\mathcal{F}))$  independent of  $Q^2$ : no higher-order corrections enter  $\rightarrow$  **perturbative QCD scaling in DVCS**

# Hall-B/CLAS: First observations of $A_{LU}$ & $A_{UL}$

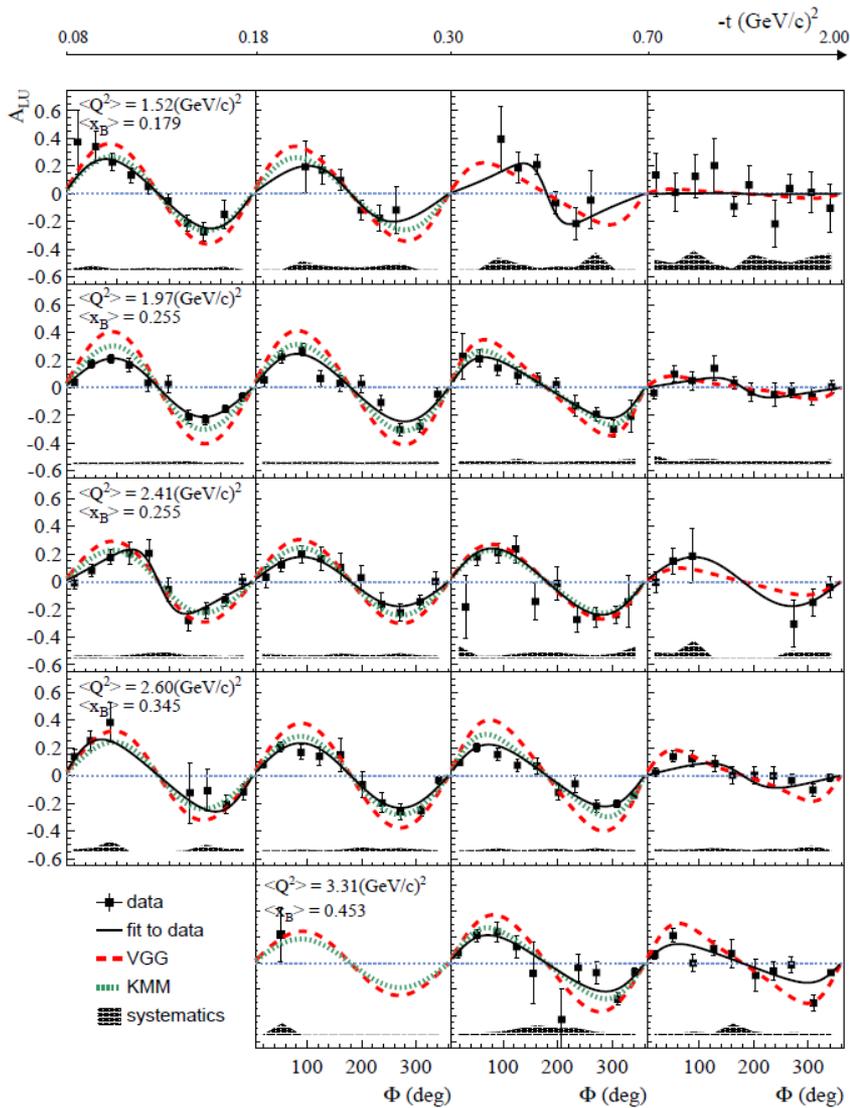
→ signal of the Bethe-Heitler and DVCS interference observed already at CLAS6 kinematics.



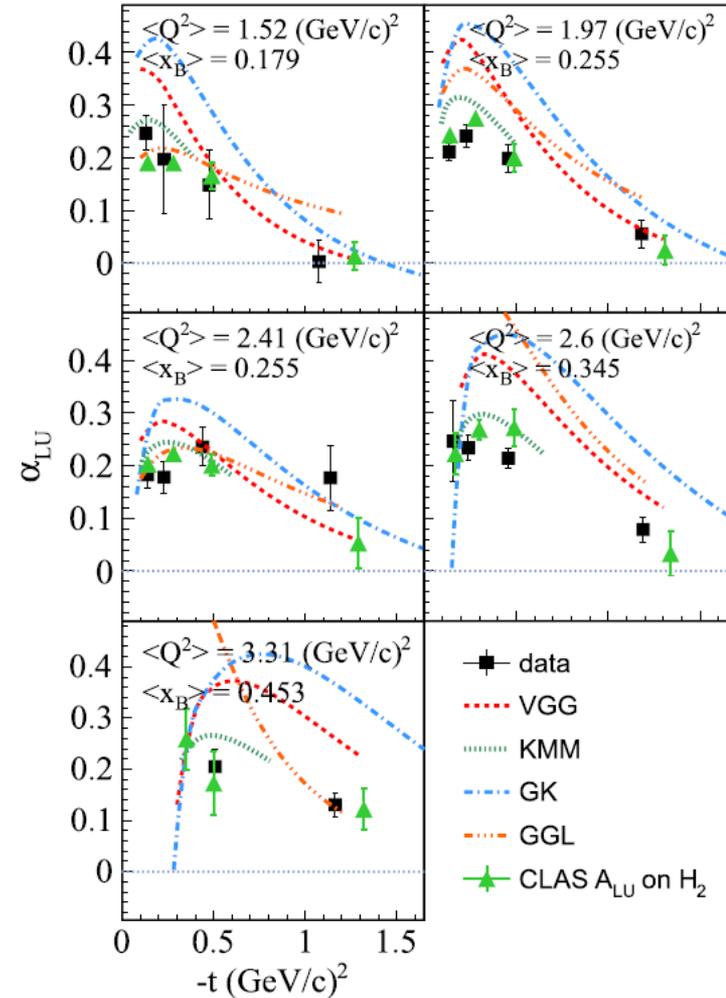
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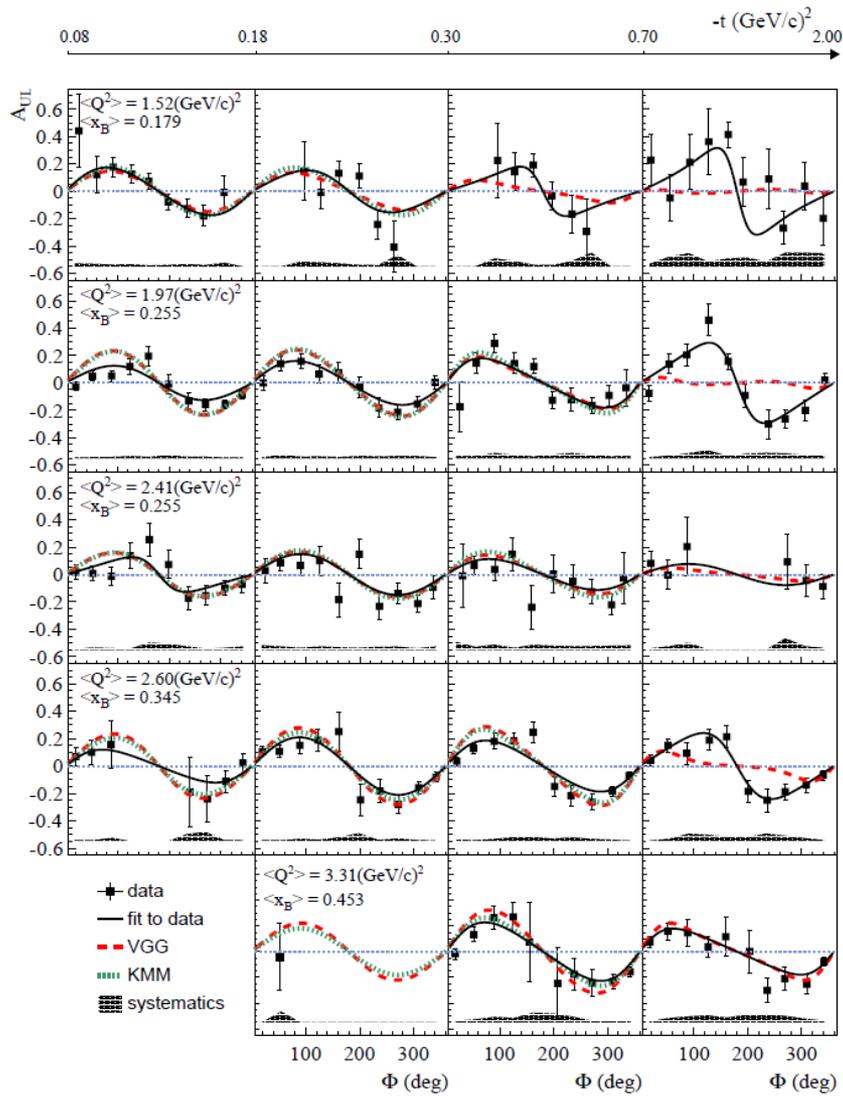


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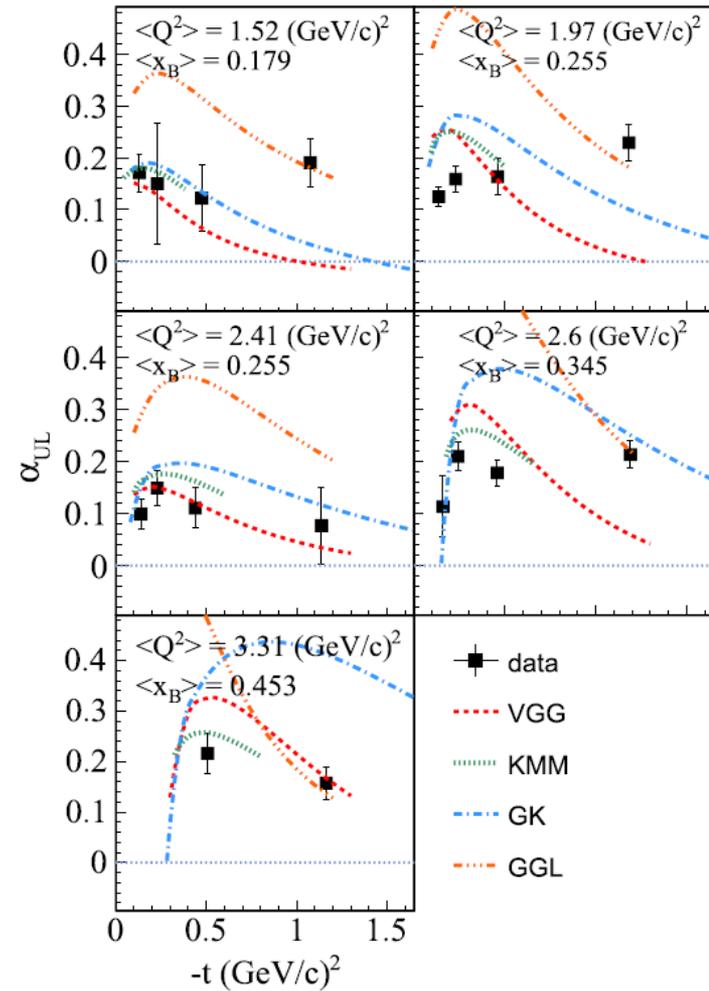
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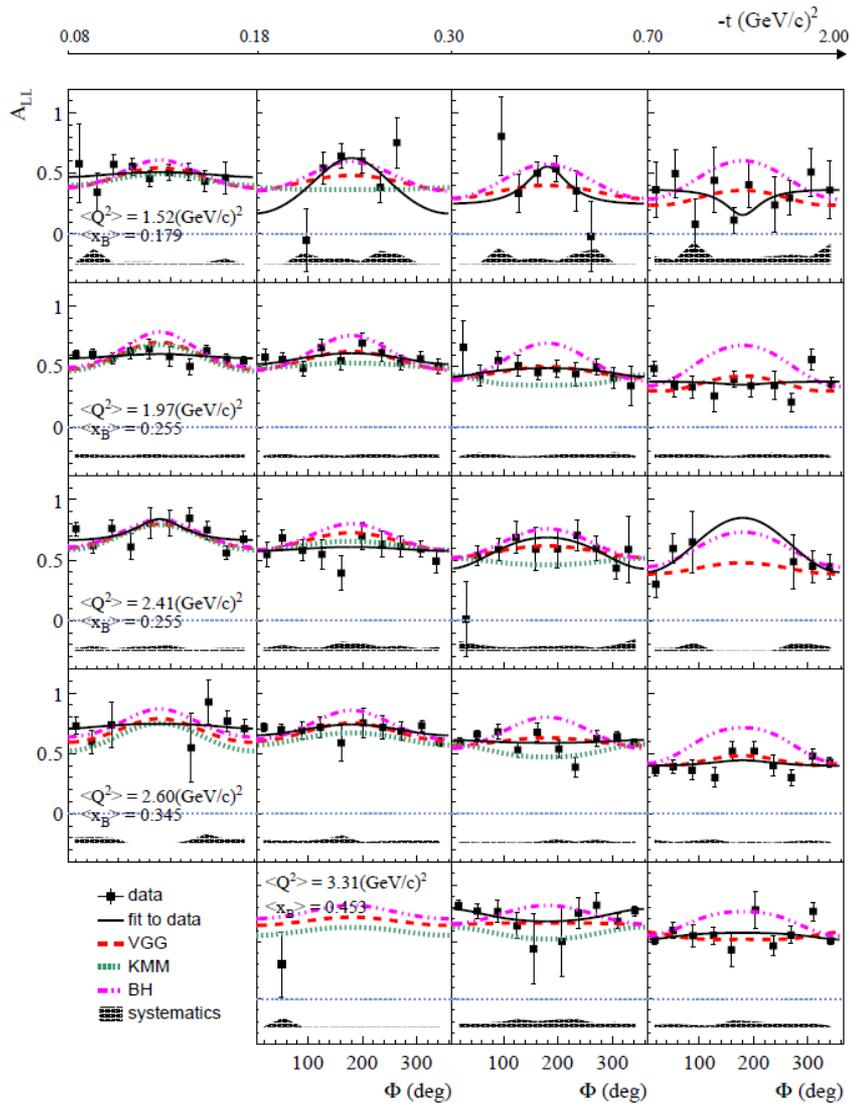




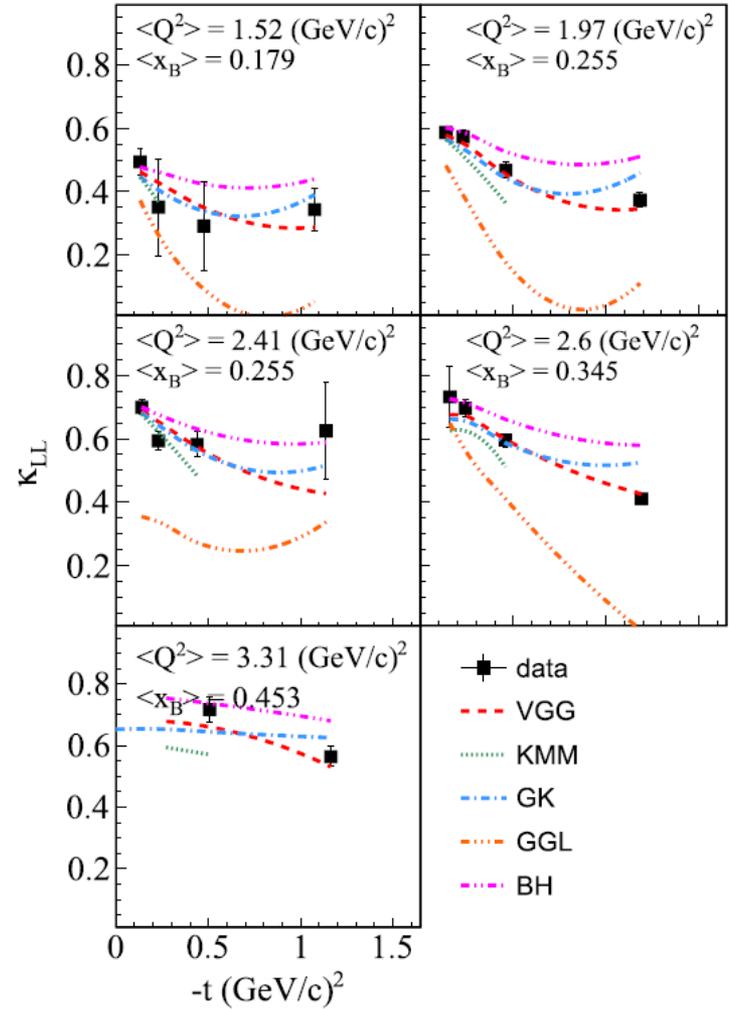
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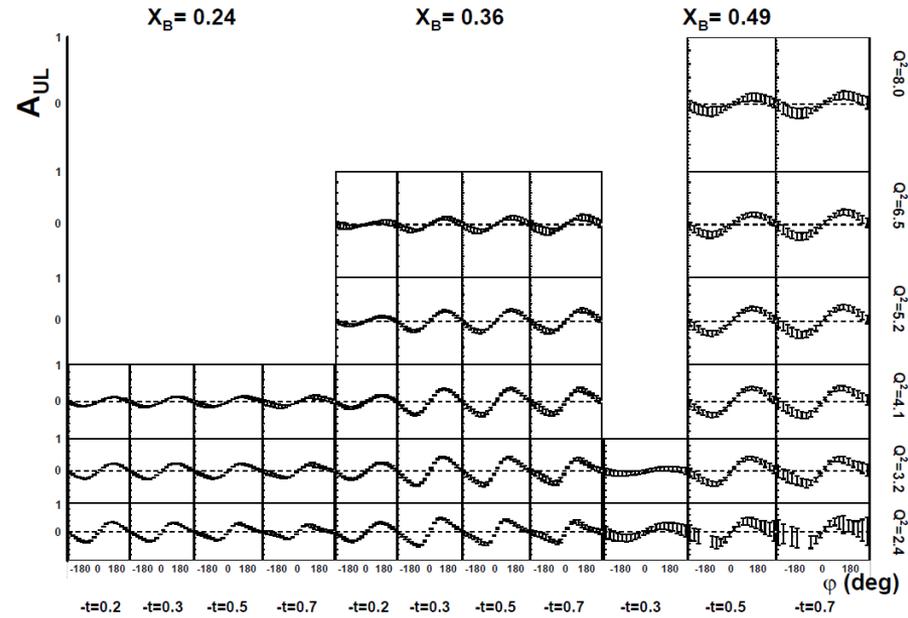
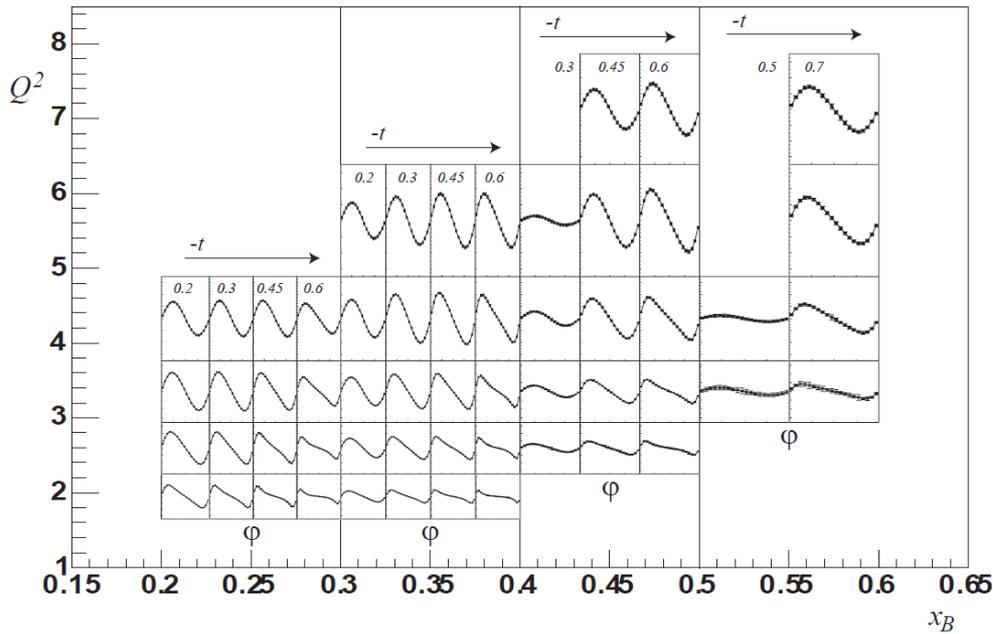




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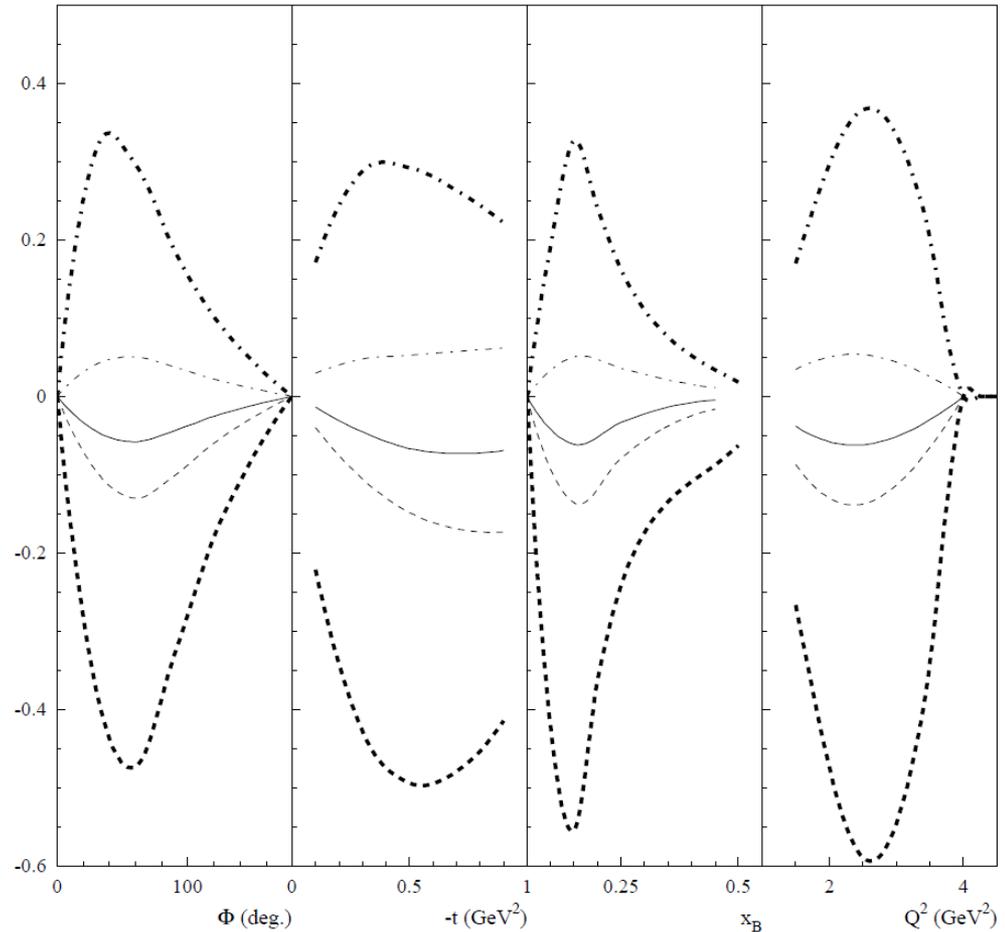
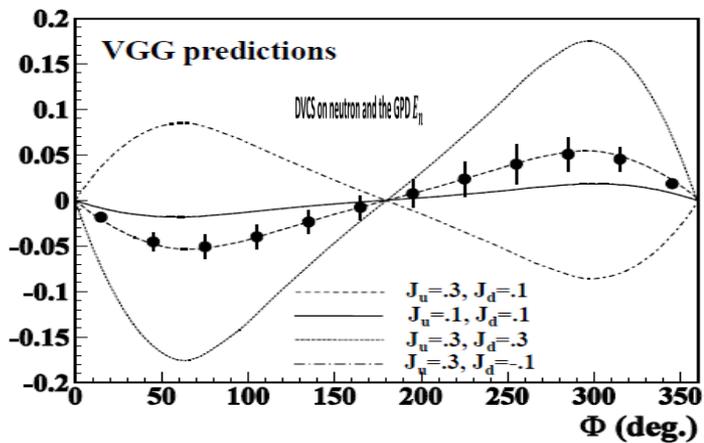
$$\Delta\sigma_{LU} \propto \sin\varphi \operatorname{Im}\{F_1\mathcal{H} + \xi(F_1 + F_2)\widetilde{\mathcal{H}} + kF_2\mathcal{E}\}d\varphi \quad \Delta\sigma_{UL} \propto \sin\varphi \operatorname{Im}\{F_1\widetilde{\mathcal{H}} + \xi(F_1 + F_2)\mathcal{H} + kF_2\mathcal{E}\}d\varphi$$



Beam-Spin Asymmetry on the neutron highly sensitive to quark angular momentum

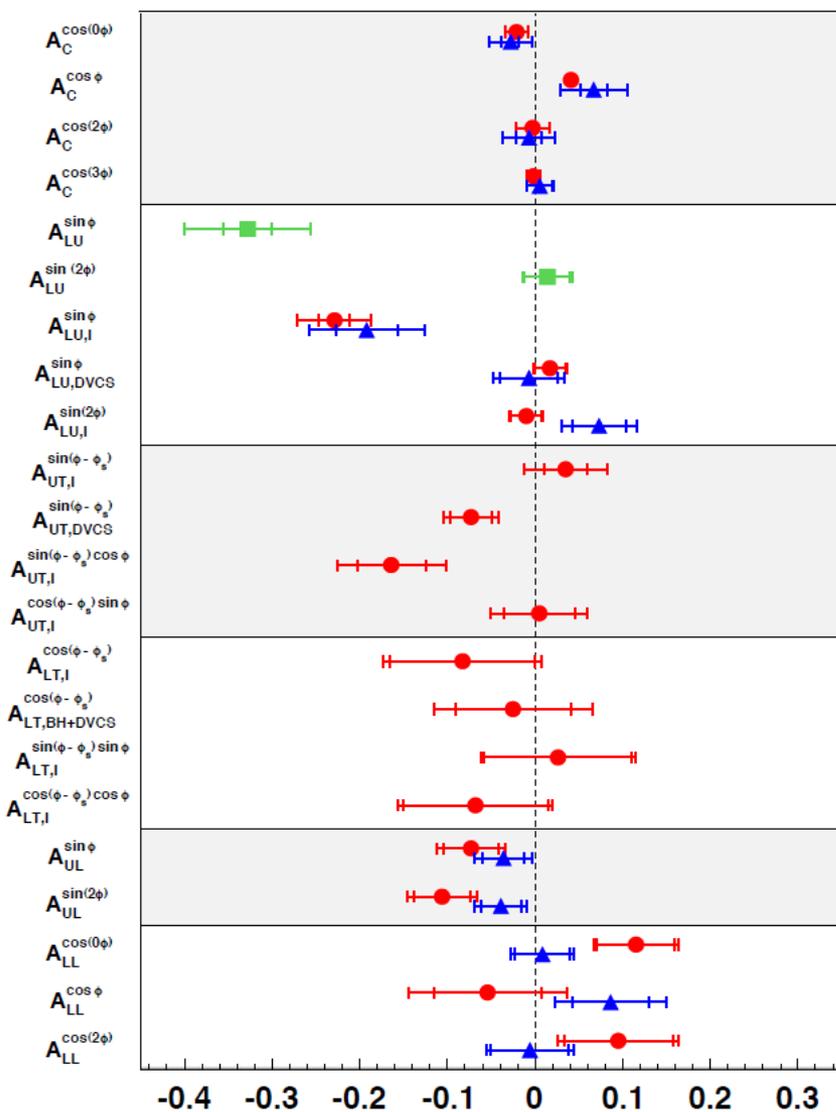
Different curves: VGG at  $E_e = 11 \text{ GeV}, x_B = 0.17, Q^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2, -t = 0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$  for

- $J_u = 0.3, J_d = 0.1$
- $J_u = -0.5, J_d = 0.1$
- · -  $J_u = 0.3, J_d = 0.8$
- $J_u = 0.3, J_d = -0.5$



*E12-11-003,  $A_{LU}$  on neutron*

# HERMES measurements



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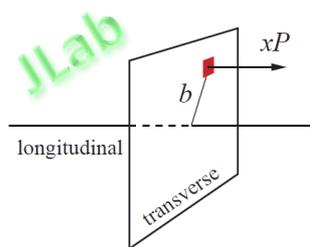
deuterium

hydrogen pure

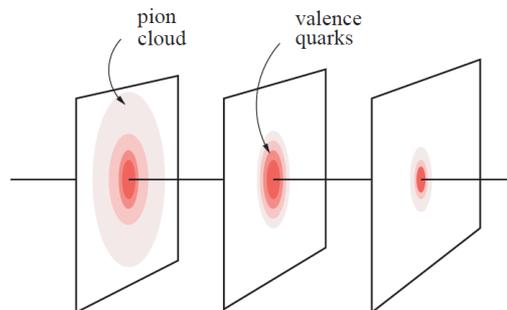
The distance  $\langle r_{\perp}^2 \rangle$  between the struck quark and the spectator c.m. is given by the  $t$ -slope of the DVCS cross-section. Extracting it for different  $x_B$  values provides a tomographic picture of the nucleon, *i.e.* how its shape changes with  $x_B$

$$\frac{d\sigma_0^{DVCS}}{dt} \propto \exp(-B(x_B)|t|)$$

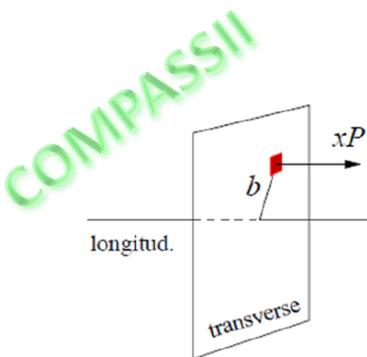
$$B(x_B) = B_0 + 2\alpha' \log\left(\frac{x_0}{x_B}\right)$$



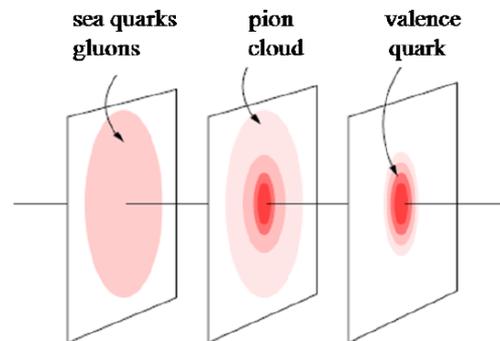
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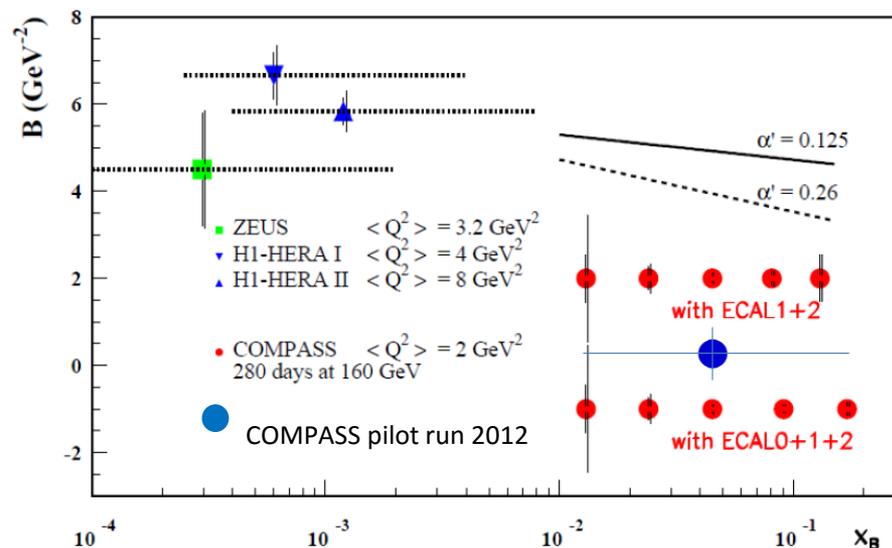
(b)  $x < 0.1$     $x \sim 0.3$     $x \sim 0.8$



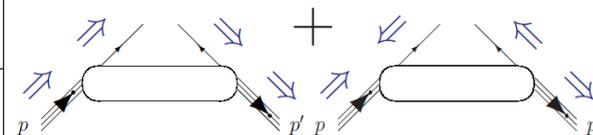
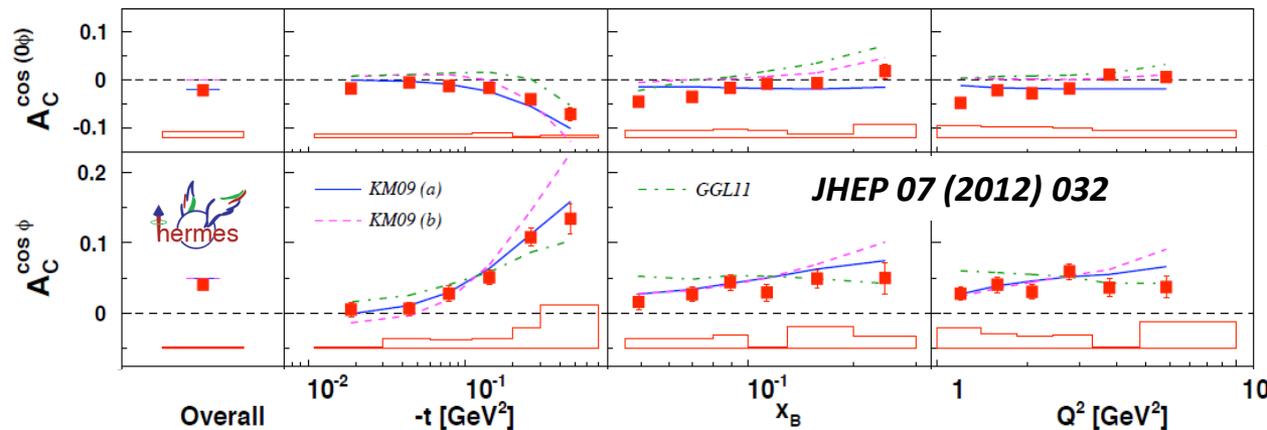
(a)



(b)  $x \sim 0.003$     $x \sim 0.03$     $x \sim 0.3$



# Mapping GPDs: Beam-charge asymmetries - $\mathcal{H}_{Re}$



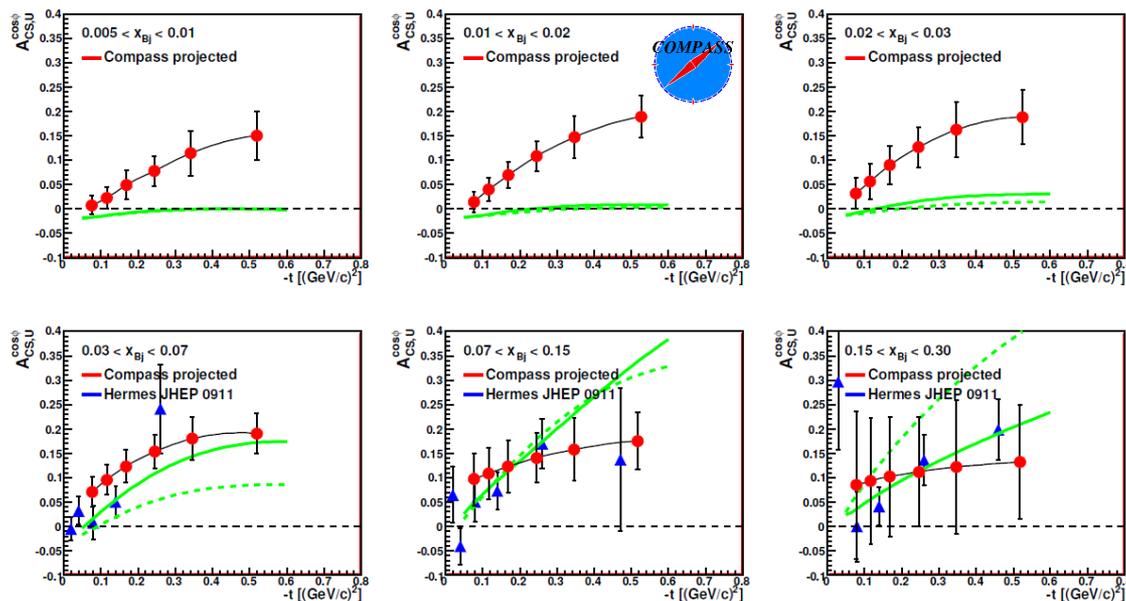
Different beam charge in COMPASS and HERMES provides access to the Beam-Charge Asymmetry  $\rightarrow$  mostly sensitive to the *real part* of  $\mathcal{H}$

Asymmetry found significantly non zero in HERMES

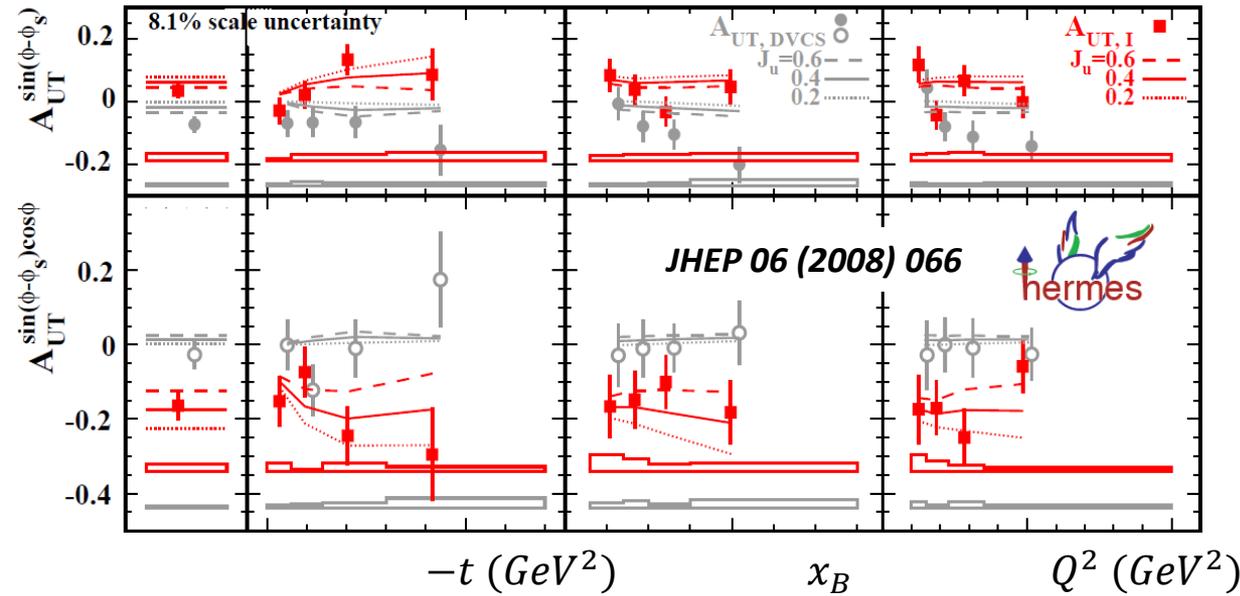
Strong dependence on  $-t$

COMPASSII measurement will extend HERMES measurement to lower- $x_B$

--- Fits by Kumericki, Mueller



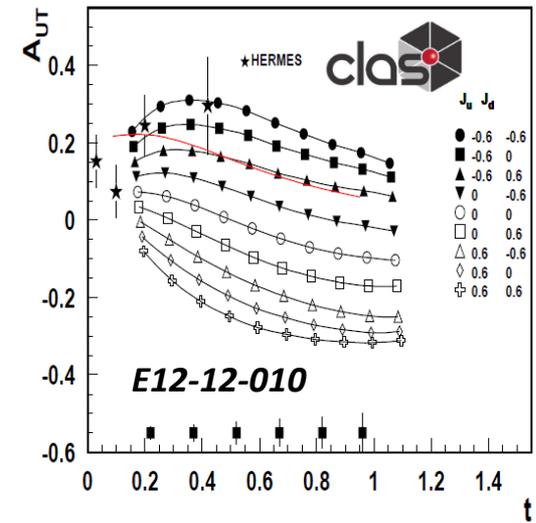
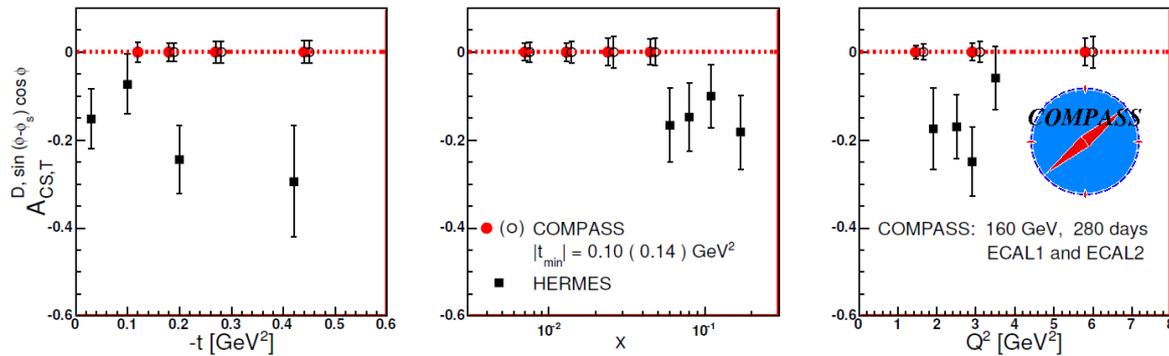
# Exploring $E_p$ in a wide kinematic range



Coefficient accessible through  $A_{UT}$  modulations sensitive to  $E_p$

→ observed significantly non-zero @HERMES

Different  $J_u$  values tested (with  $J_d = 0$ )





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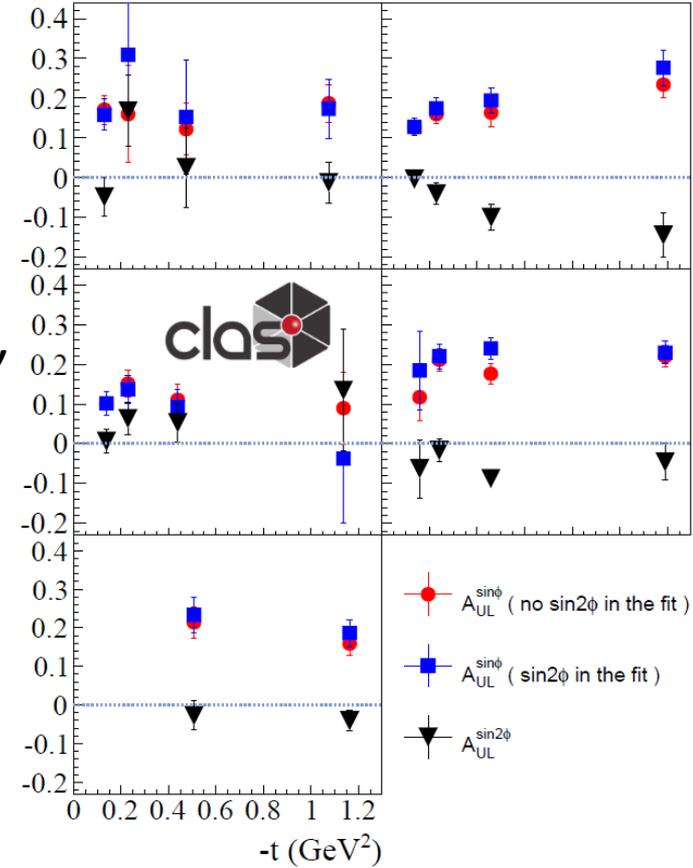
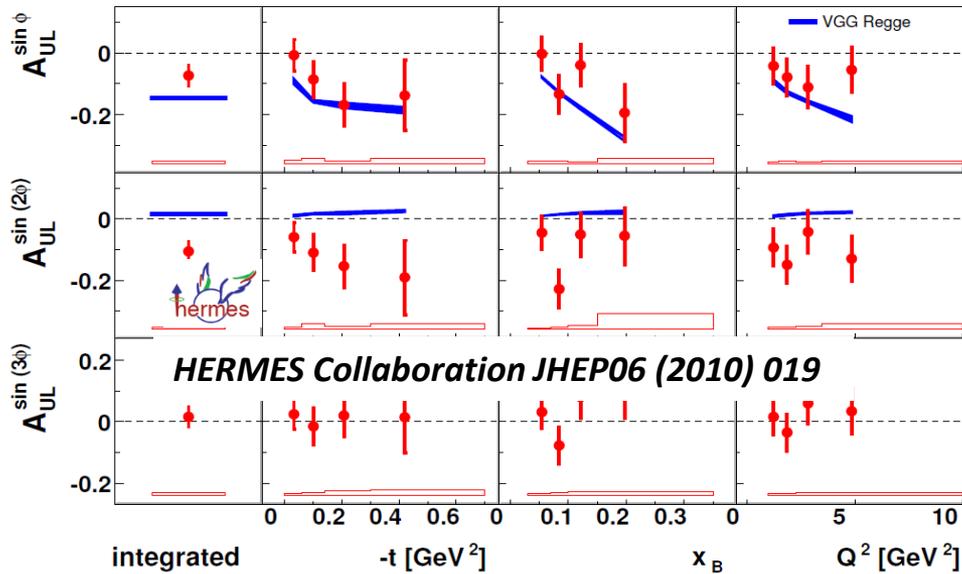


On the observability of the quark orbital angular momentum distribution

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Simonetta Liuti<sup>e,b</sup>, Abha Rajan<sup>e</sup>



Higher-twist modulations of the **longitudinal Target-Spin Asymmetry** could provide access to the quark orbital angular momentum

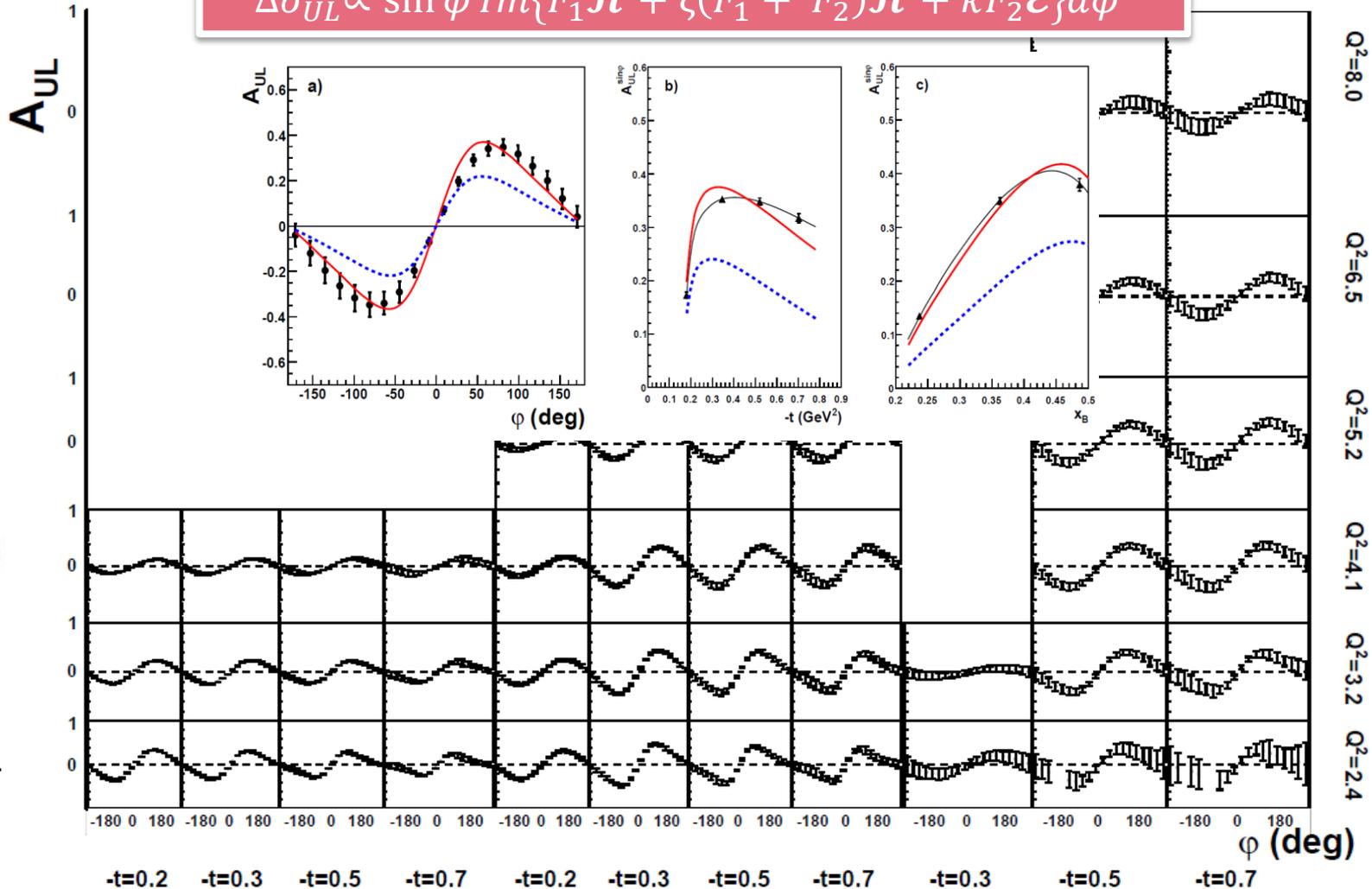


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black:  $\sin 2\phi$  CLAS preliminary

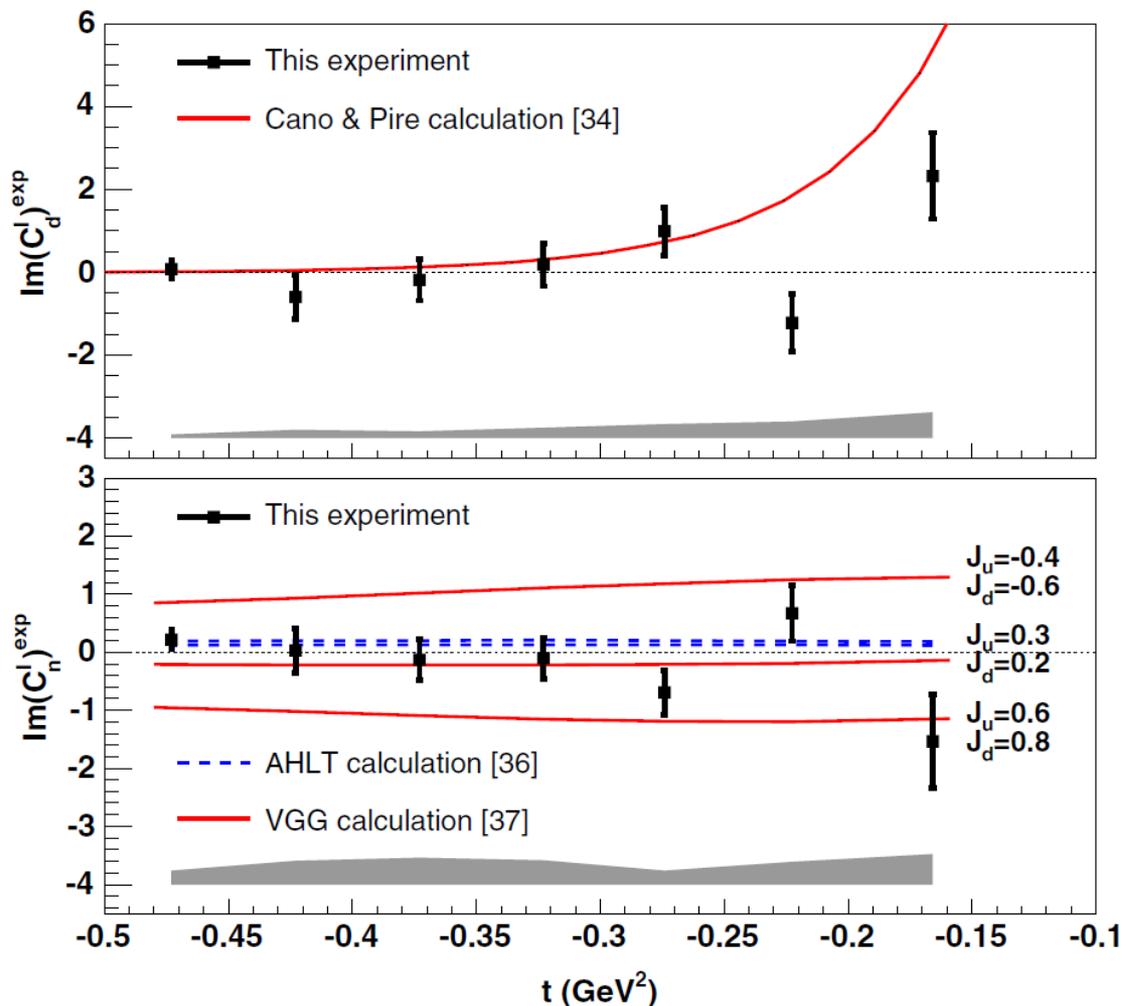
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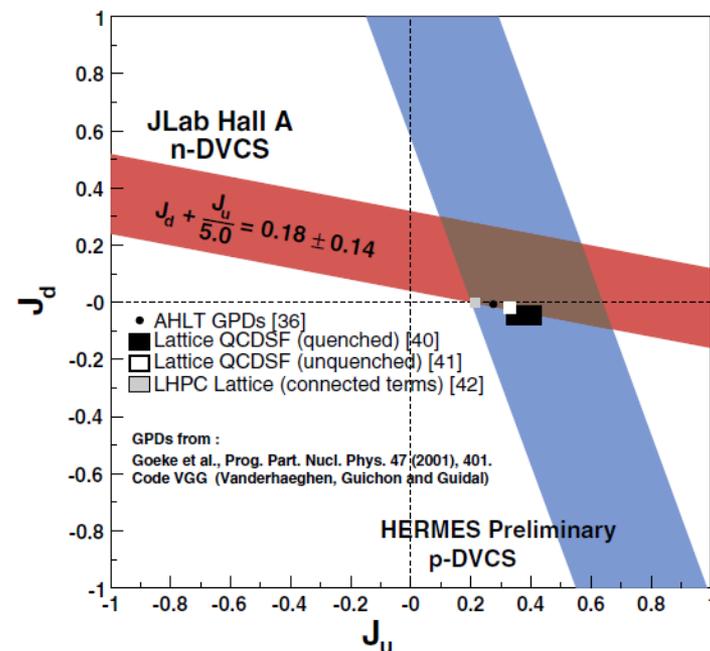
Dynamically-polarized  $NH_3$  target



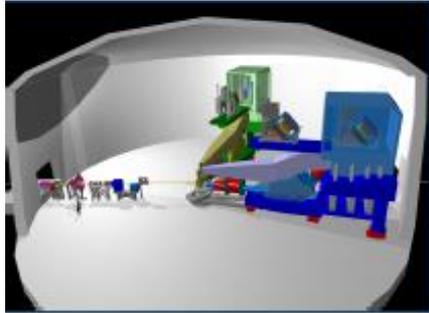
# DVCS on the neutron in Hall-A - results



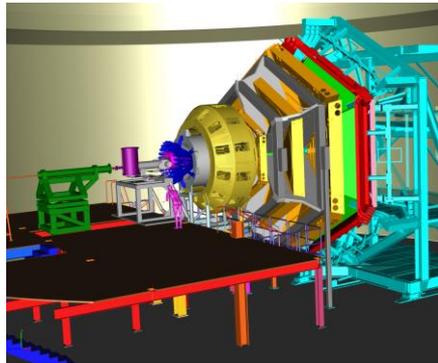
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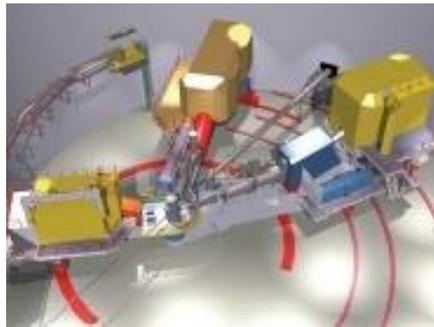
# The 12-GeV upgrade



High Resolution Spectrometer (HRS) pair and specialized large installation experiments

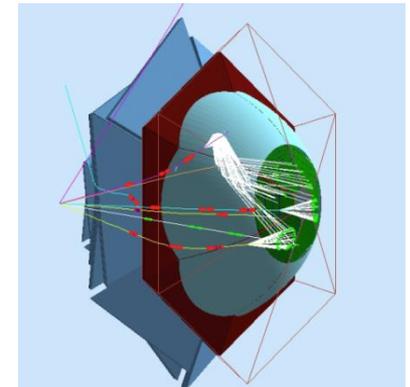
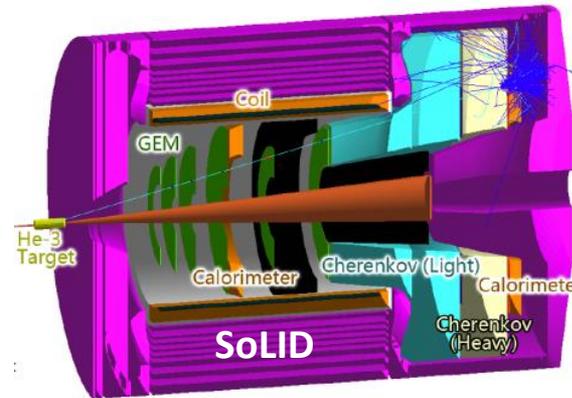
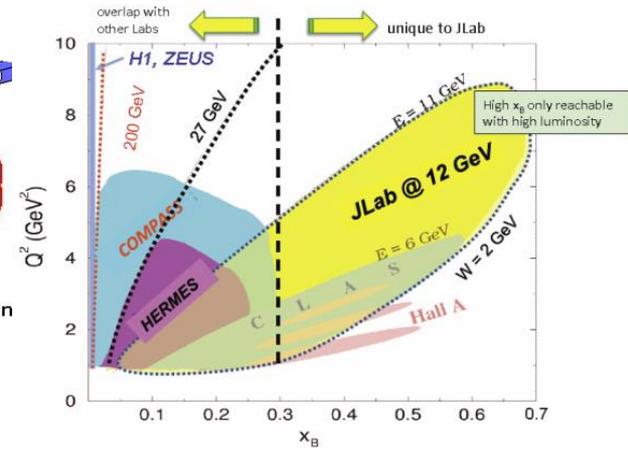
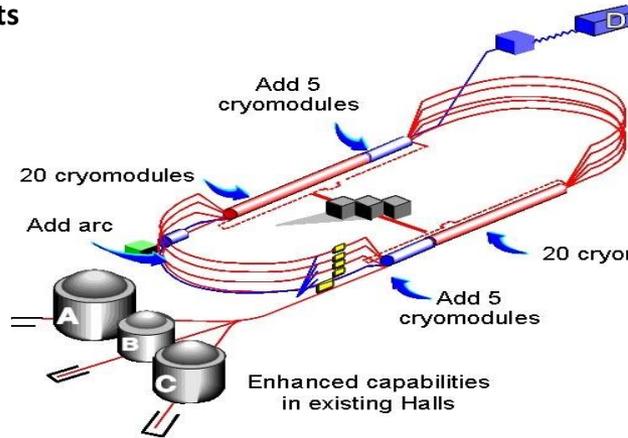


CLAS12: large acceptance, high luminosity

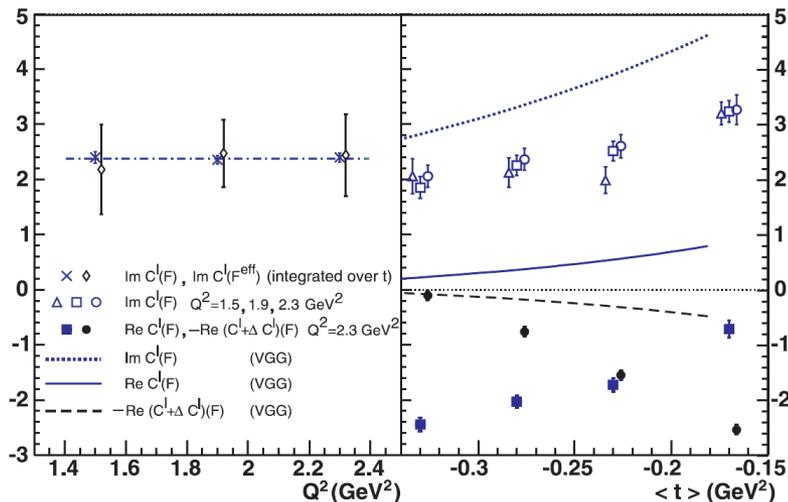


Super High Momentum Spectrometer (SHMS) at high luminosity and forward angles

4 experimental halls with a longitudinally-polarized electron beam of  $E_{e^-}$  up to 12 GeV.



RICH for CLAS12



1. solid lines  $\rightarrow$  total fit
2. dot-dash line  $\rightarrow$  higher-twist contribution
3. dot-dot-dashed line  $\rightarrow$  BH
4. short-dashed lines  $\rightarrow$  fitted  $Im(C^I(\mathcal{F}))$  and  $Re(C^I(\mathcal{F}))$
5. long-dashed line  $\rightarrow$  fitted  $Re(C^I + \Delta C^I)(\mathcal{F})$
6. dot-dashed curves  $\rightarrow$  fitted  $Im(C^I(\mathcal{F}^{eff}))$  and  $Re(C^I(\mathcal{F}^{eff}))$

$\rightarrow$  twist-3 contributions smaller than twist-2

$\rightarrow$  DVCS contribution to the cross-section not negligible

$\rightarrow Im(C^I(\mathcal{F}))$  independent of  $Q^2$ : no higher-order corrections enter  $\rightarrow$   
**perturbative QCD scaling in DVCS**

- Past experiments, both fixed target (JLab, HERMES, COMPASS) or active in colliders (ZEUS, H1), played a crucial role in proving the feasibility of a nucleon tomography through the formalism of the Generalized Parton Distributions
  - Deeply-Virtual Compton Scattering emerged as the cleanest process to access GPDs (CFFs) through specific observables
  - First constraints of the CFFs  $\mathcal{H}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$  through DVCS  $A_{LU}$ ,  $A_{UL}$ ,  $A_{LL}$  and cross-sections
  - A good mapping of GPDs will describe how the different charges describing nucleon interactions are distributed inside its volume
  - The observables can be compared to Lattice results → connection to pure QCD
  - The (bright?) future will see a wide investigation ranging from the gluon/sea regime explored at COMPASSII to the valence region explored at JLab12
- final goal (together with the TMDs): wide-coverage, high-statistics mapping of the 5D nucleon structure**