

# Nuclear physics with JLab12 and EIC

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## Focus on physical system

Components probed  
at different energies

Unifying perspective  
large  $x$  — small  $x$

## Complementarity & synergies

Mutual benefits from  
broad coverage

Global questions: QCD  
evolution, angular momentum

- 3D nucleon structure

Valence quarks → sea quarks, gluons

Spin/flavor densities

Spatial distributions

Orbital motion

- Color fields in nuclei

Local properties → coherent fields

Quarks/gluons in bound nucleon

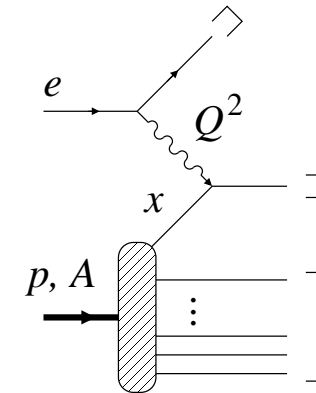
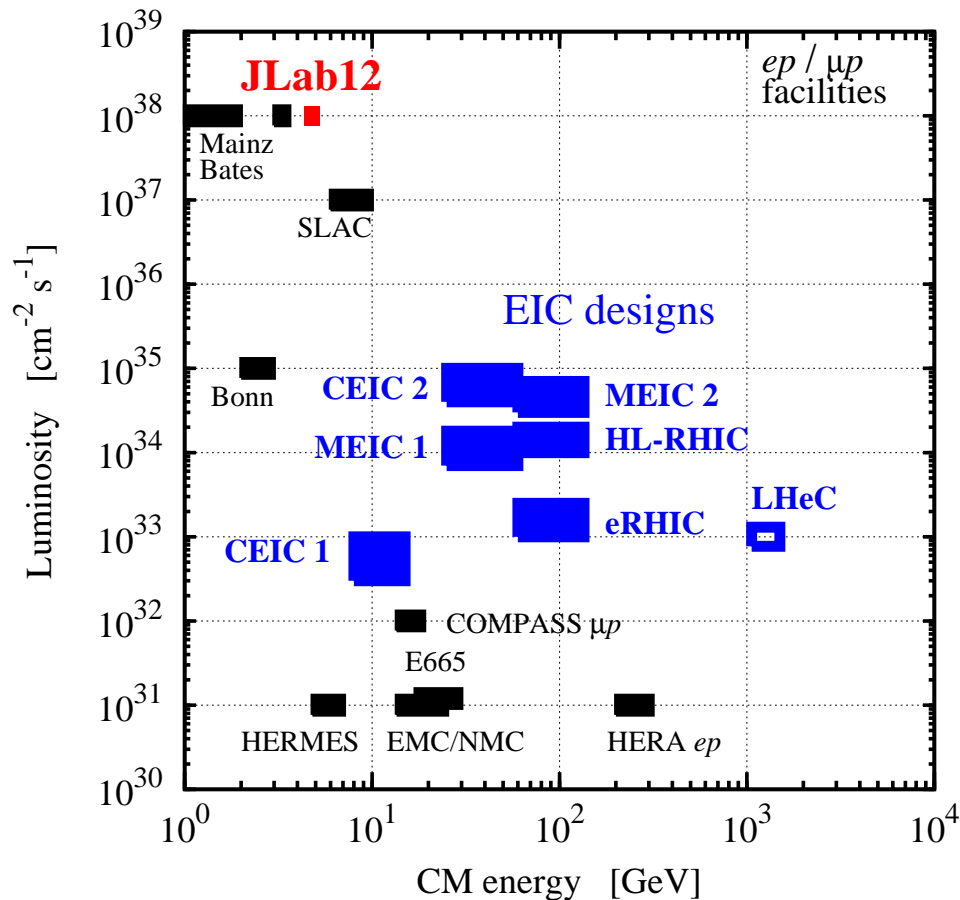
Coherence, shadowing, saturation

- Other topics

Hadrons from color charge: → Talk W. Brooks  
Fragmentation, medium effects

Electroweak probes → Talk K. Kumar

# Energy–luminosity frontier



- Scattering energy

Resolution scale  $1/Q$

Light-cone fraction  $x$ :  
Target configurations,  
types of constituents

- Luminosity

Exceptional configurations,  
rare processes

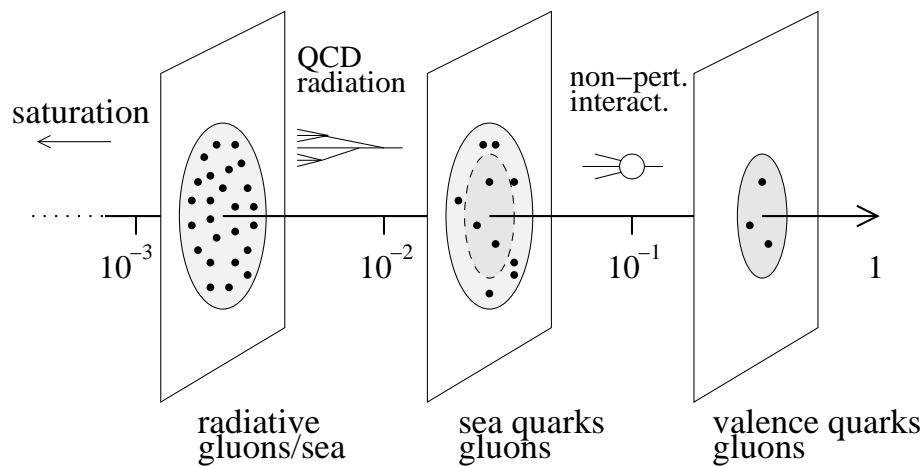
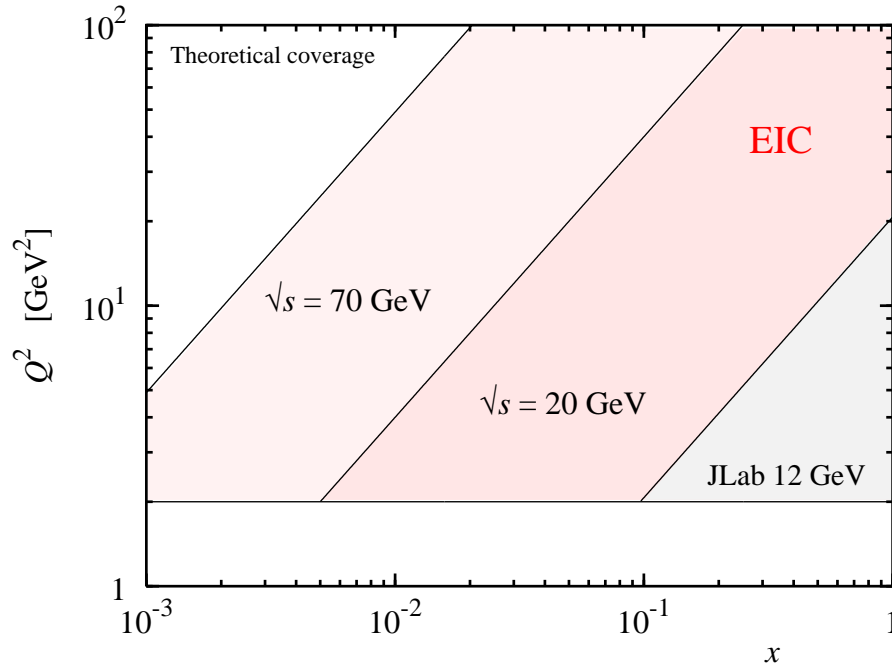
Multi-variable final states

Polarization effects

[Summary plot M. Klein 4/2014]

**JLab12** and **EIC** extend luminosity frontier in different energy regions

# Nucleon: QCD structure



- Relativistic many-body system

Particle number changes with energy and resolution scale!

JLab 12 GeV: Valence quark component, incl.  $x \rightarrow 1$

EIC: Sea quarks, gluons, scale dependence

- Physical characteristics

Quark/gluon number densities, incl. spin and flavor dependence PDFs

Transverse spatial distributions GPDs

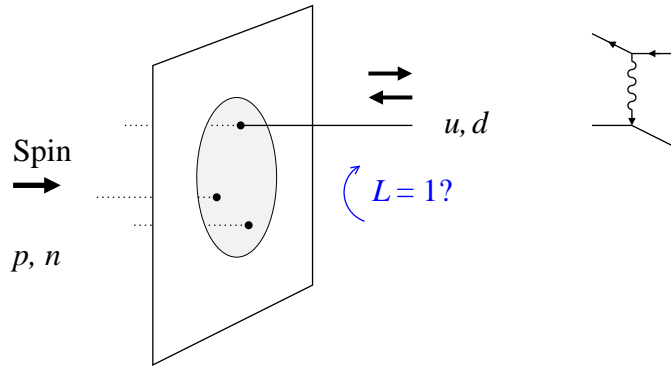
Orbital motion TMDs

Multiparticle correlations GPDs  
higher twist

**Learn about dynamics!**

Densities with operator definition  $\langle N | \text{QCD-Op} | N \rangle$   
 Calculable with non-perturbative methods, LQCD

# Nucleon: Valence quark polarization



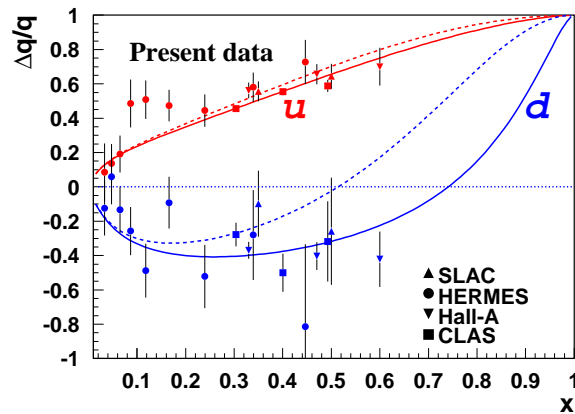
- How are valence quarks in nucleon polarized at  $x \rightarrow 1$ ?

Basic  $3q$  component of nucleon wave fn

Non-perturbative QCD interactions?

Orbital angular momentum  $L = 1$ ?

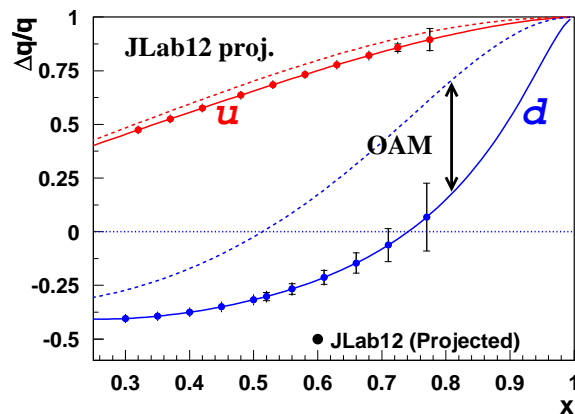
Poorly constrained by present data  
SLAC, HERMES



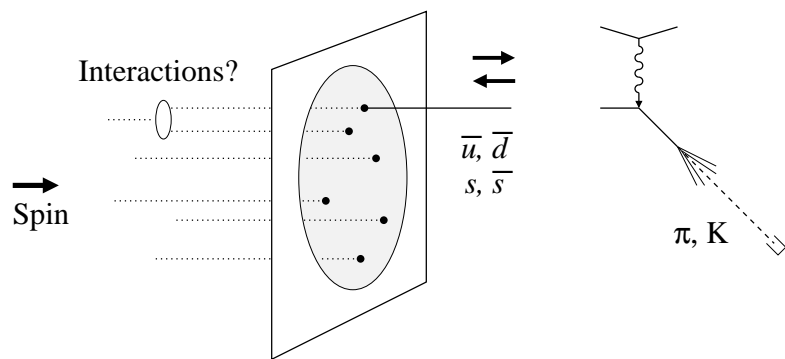
- JLab12: Map  $u, d$  quark polarization precisely up to  $x \sim 0.8$

Inclusive DIS with  $p$  and  $n$  targets

Combination of energy and luminosity!  
Many more applications: Spatial imaging, orbital motion



# Nucleon: Sea quark polarization

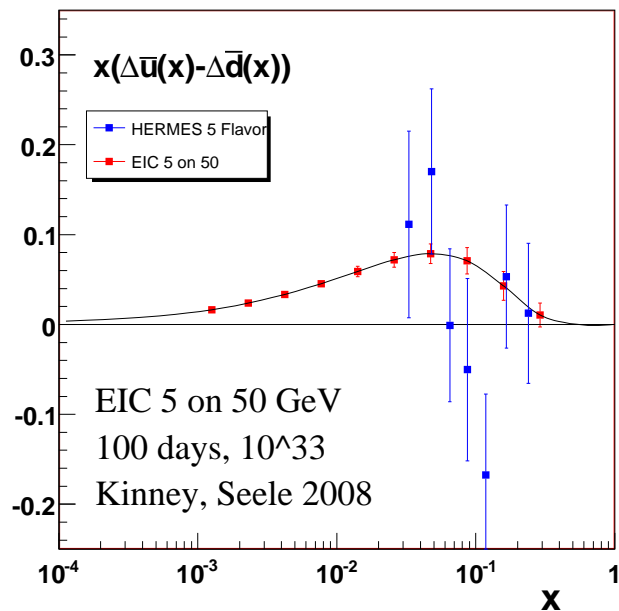


- How are sea quarks polarized?

Non-perturbative QCD interactions connecting valence  $\leftrightarrow$  sea quarks?

Flavor asymmetry related to mesonic degrees of freedom?  
"Pion cloud"

First hints of  $\Delta\bar{u} > \Delta\bar{d}$  from RHIC  $W^\pm$



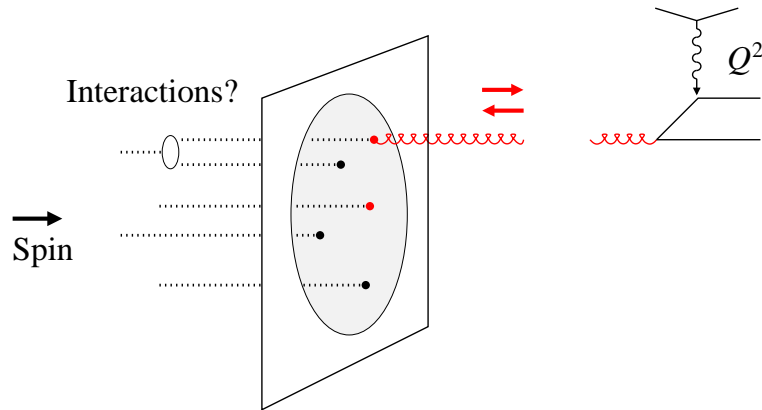
- EIC: Map sea quark spin/ flavor distributions with semi-inclusive DIS  
→ Talk X. Jiang

Tag charge/ flavor of struck quark

High energy ensures independent fragmentation of struck quark;  
luminosity for multi-dimensional binning

Measure also quark fragmentation functions: Unfavored vs. favored  
Universal, can be used also for large  $x$

# Nucleon: Gluon polarization

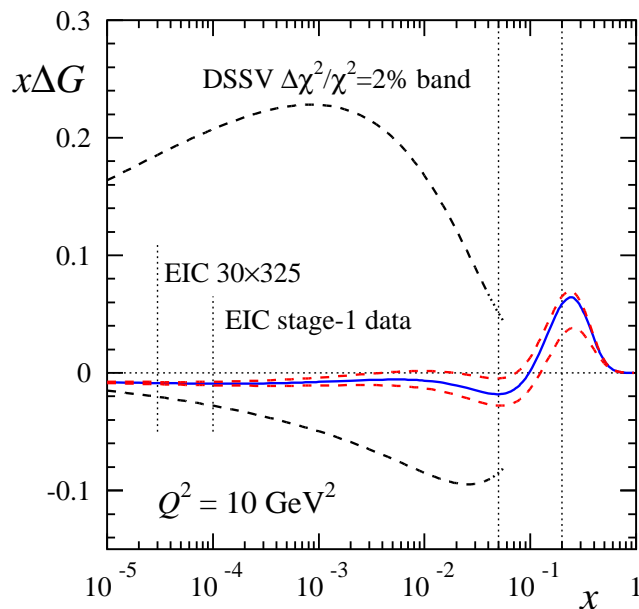


- How do gluons respond to nucleon spin?

Origin of non-perturbative gluon fields?

Gluon contribution to nucleon spin?  
Orbital angular momentum?

Constrained by  $Q^2$  dep. of  $g_1(x, Q^2)$ ,  
hard processes in  $\vec{p}\vec{p}$  EMC/SMC, SLAC,  
HERMES, COMPASS, JLab 6/12 GeV. RHIC Spin



- EIC: Definitive measurement of gluon polarization in inclusive DIS

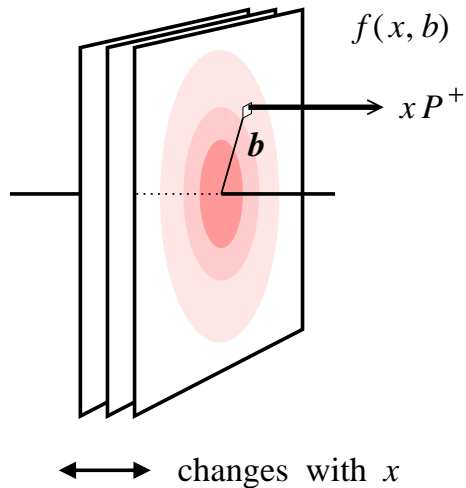
Wide kinematic coverage enables study of  $Q^2$  evolution

- Synergies EIC  $\leftrightarrow$  JLab12

Global QCD fits incl. large- $x$  data  
JAM Collaboration: Melnitchouk et al.

Orbital angular momentum  
→ Discussion

# Nucleon: Spatial distributions



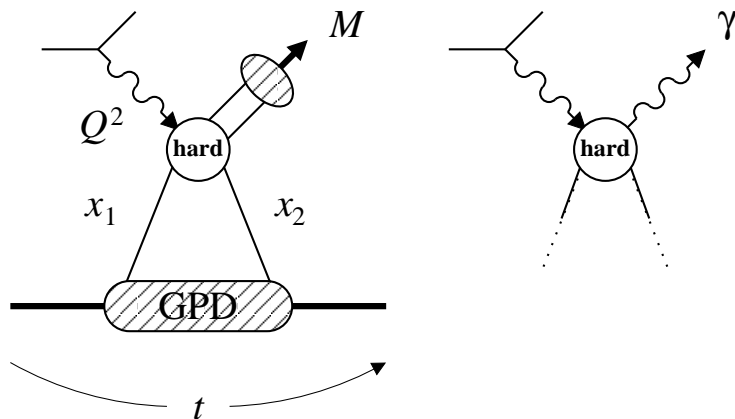
- How are quarks/gluons distributed in transverse space?

Fundamental size and “shape” of nucleon in QCD

Leading-twist, calculable in LQCD

Distributions change with  $x$ :  
Chiral dynamics, QCD radiation

Hard exclusive processes  $\gamma^* N \rightarrow M + N$ :  
GPDs  $\equiv$  partonic form factors of nucleon



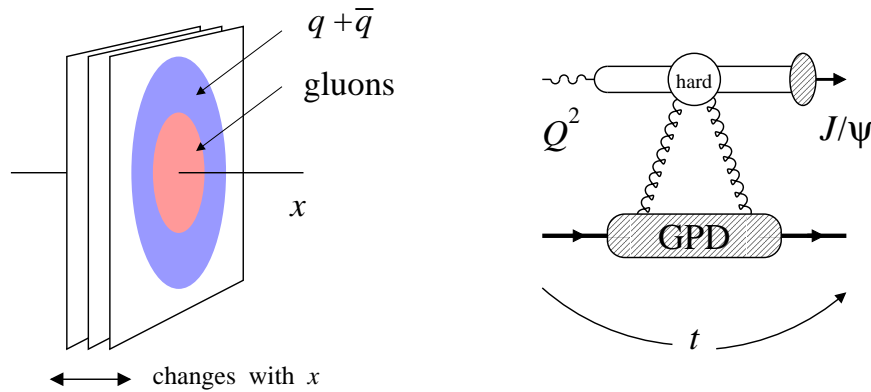
- JLab12: Valence quark imaging with exclusive processes

DVCS  $\gamma^* N \rightarrow \gamma + N$ : Extensive program,  
GPDs from polarization observables

Mesons: Quark transversity with  $\pi^0/\eta$ ,  
large- $x$  gluons with  $\phi$

Precise observables, but limited phase space  
Reaction mechanism? Leading  $\leftrightarrow$  higher twist?

# Nucleon: Spatial distributions

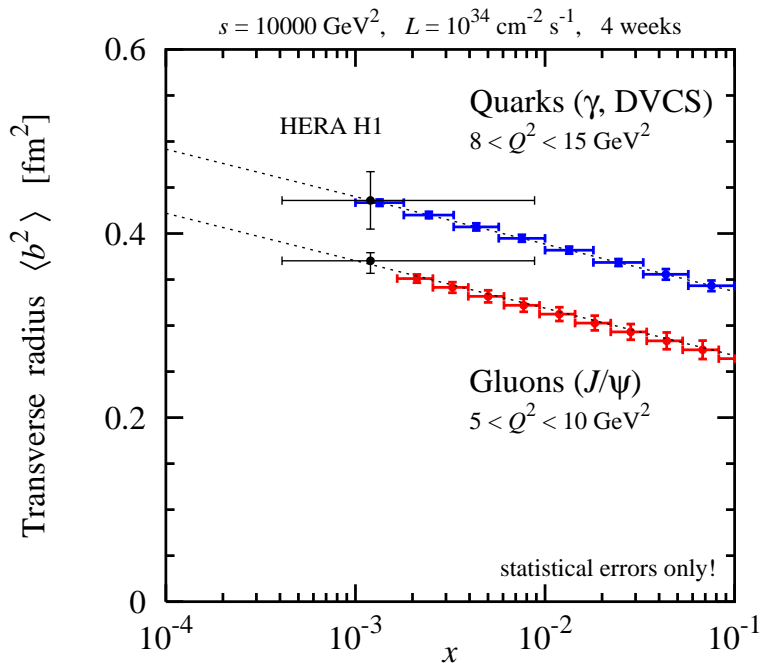


- EIC: Quark/gluon imaging at  $x < 0.1$

$J/\psi$ : Gluon imaging. Clean probe. Input for saturation models, multiparton interactions in  $pp@LHC$

DVCS: Quarks/gluons, polarization  
Dispersion analysis, model-independent  
Combination of JLab12 and EIC data → Talk Fazio

Light mesons: Non-singlet quarks  
 $\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^0$  polarized quarks  
 $\rho^+$ ,  $K^{*+}$  flavor non-singlet  
Selective, unique, never measured!



- Synergies JLab12 ↔ EIC

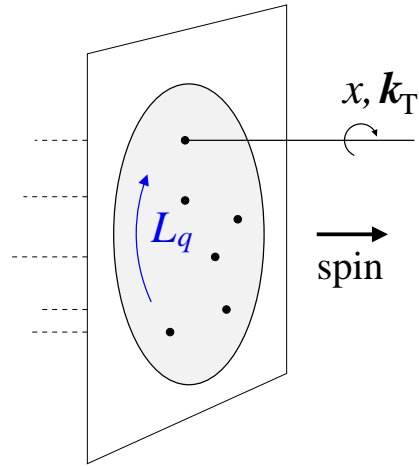
Wide coverage helps to unravel exclusive reaction mechanism

$x$ ,  $Q^2$  evolution of transverse distributions

Global analysis of DVCS data



# Nucleon: Orbital motion



- Transverse motion of quarks/gluons?

Non-pert. dynamics, spin-orbit forces, orbital angular momentum?

Observable hadron  $P_{T,h}$  compounded from intrinsic  $k_T$  of quark, QCD radiation, fragmentation process: How separate?

Theoretical progress: TMD factorization, evolution

- JLab12: Semi-incl DIS in valence region

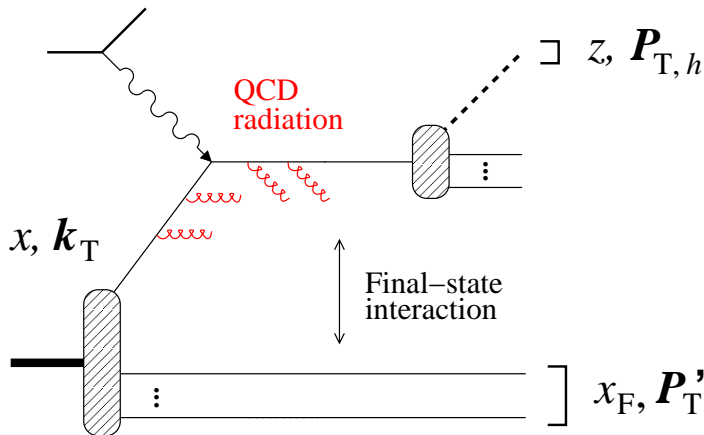
Precise observables, but limited phase space

- EIC: Wide kinematic range for SIDIS

QCD-based mechanism, low  $\rightarrow$  high  $P_{T,h}$

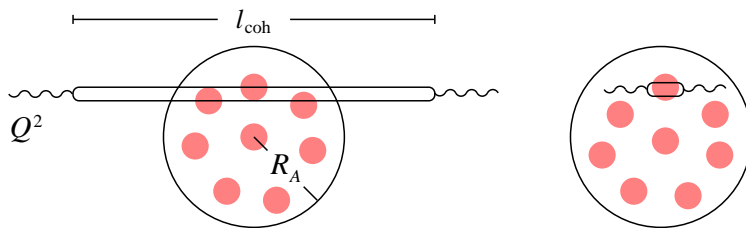
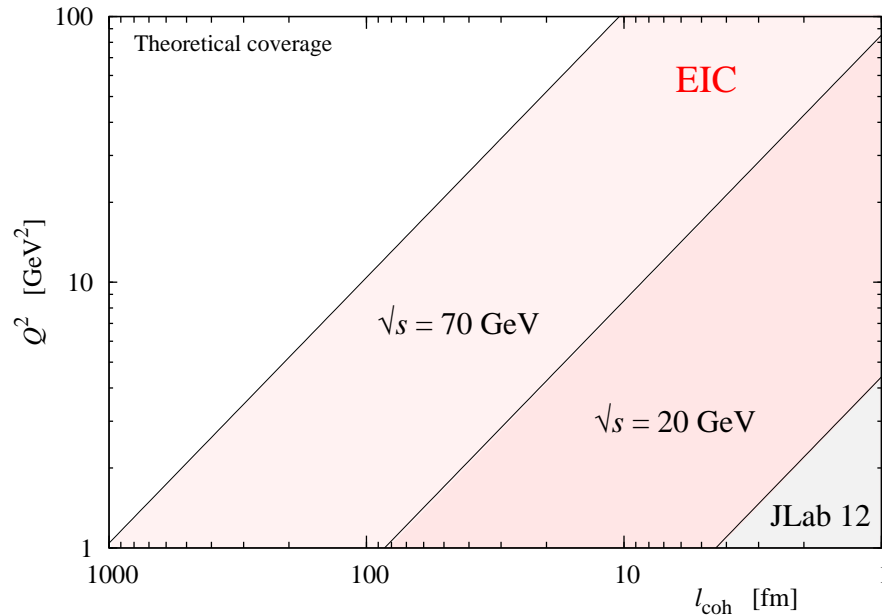
$Q^2$  evolution, QCD radiation

Target fragmentation and correlations:  
New information on nucleon structure!



- Synergies JLab12  $\leftrightarrow$  EIC

# Nuclei: Color fields



- Small-size probe of color fields

Color fields change with energy and probe size!

- JLab 12: Coherence length short

Quark structure of bound nucleon

Short-range  $NN$  correlations,  $x > 1$

- EIC: Wide range of probe size and coherence length

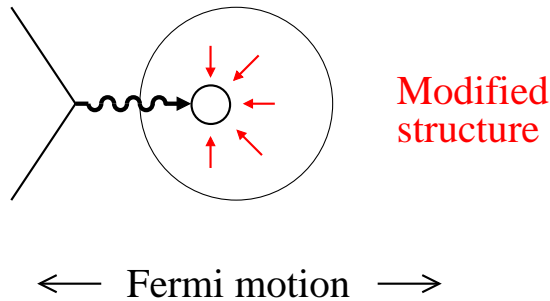
Nuclear sea quarks and gluons

Collective color fields in nuclei:  
Shadowing, diffraction

High gluon densities, saturation

**Explore short-range nuclear structure and coherent QCD phenomena!**

# Nuclei: Bound nucleon structure



- How are the nucleon's quark/antiquark distributions modified in the nucleus?

Modification caused by “mean field” or short-range  $NN$  correlations?

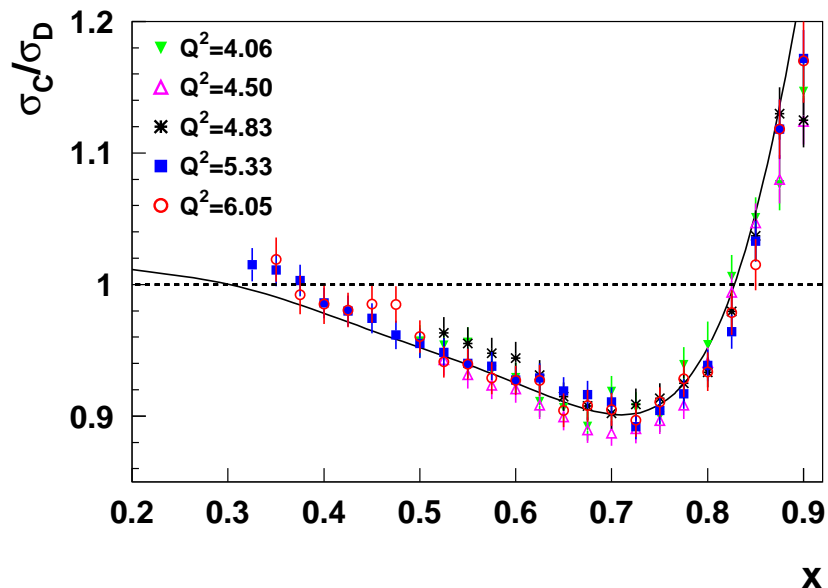
QCD origin of  $NN$  interaction?

- JLab 6/12 GeV: Inclusive  $eA \rightarrow e' + X$

$\sigma_A/\sigma_D$  ratio shows modification

Spectator tagging  $eA \rightarrow e' + N + X$ :  
Short-range correlations?

Spin/isospin dependence:  
Polarized nuclei, different  $A$

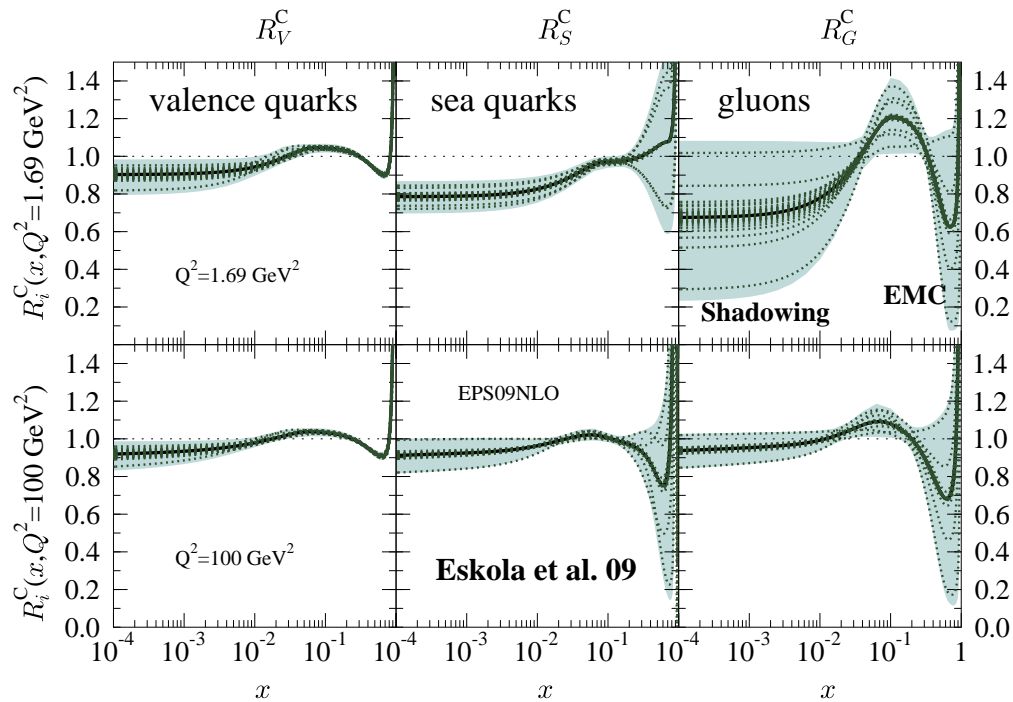


JLab 6 GeV: Seely et al. 2009.  
Extended measurements with 12 GeV

- Other measurements

SRCs with  $x > 1$ ,  
quasi-elastic  $e(e'N)X$

# Nuclei: Sea quarks, gluons, coherence

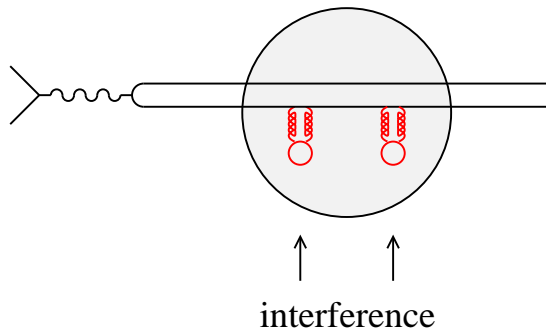


- EIC: Nuclear quark and gluon densities

Sea, gluons poorly known!

Wide coverage in  $x, Q^2$

Synergies 12 GeV – EIC:  
Normalization of nuclear cross sections, global QCD fits

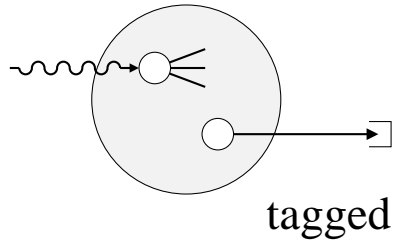


- Shadowing at  $x \ll 0.1$

Coherent scattering from  $N > 2$  nucleons  
Fundamental QCD prediction, related to diffraction

Important for understanding approach to saturation at small  $x$

# Nuclei: Final states



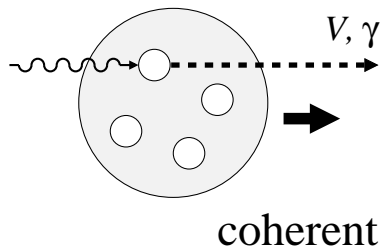
- Spectator tagging  $D(e, e'p)X$

Neutron structure, bound nucleon

JLab12: Unpolarized  $D$ , CLAS BONUS detector

EIC: Polarized  $D$ , forward  $p/n$  detection

Great potential! JLab 2014 LDRD project → Talk Kijun Park

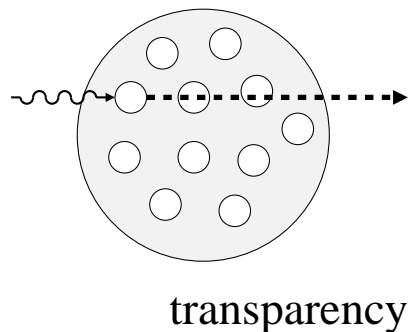


- Coherent nuclear processes  $A(e, e'M)A$

JLab12: GPDs of light nuclei, matter distribution

EIC: Impact parameter dependent shadowing

Guzey et al.; Kowalski, Caldwell 09. Heavy nuclei very challenging



- Color transparency in meson production

Fundamental prediction of QCD!

JLab12: Hadron formation inside nucleus, onset of color transparency

EIC: Wide range of formation length and probe size, detailed CT studies

Complement saturation experiments: "Disappearance" at high  $Q^2$

# Summary

- JLab 12 and EIC complementary

JLab12: Valence quark region in  $eN$ ; [single-nucleon structure in  \$eA\$](#)

EIC: Sea quarks, gluons,  $Q^2$  dependence in  $eN$ ; [coherent fields in  \$eA\$](#)

- Synergies in global physics questions

GPDs/TMDs: Wide range of EIC will establish/refine QCD-based description; physics analysis with both JLab12 ( $x > 0.1$ ) and EIC data

Orbital angular momentum: Form factors/large- $x$  PDFs from JLab12, inclusive  $\Delta G$  from EIC

Nuclear structure functions:  $x$ ,  $Q^2$  dependence from EIC; normalization from JLab12 and other expts

. . . more examples!

- JLab Users increasingly involved in EIC R&D

Natural next step after JLab12