

Experimental Spin Program at Jefferson Lab

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Nucleon Spin Structure Study

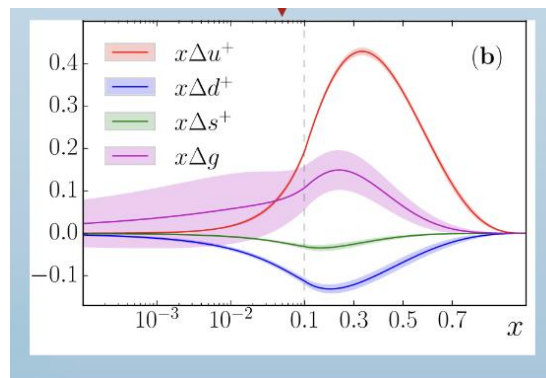
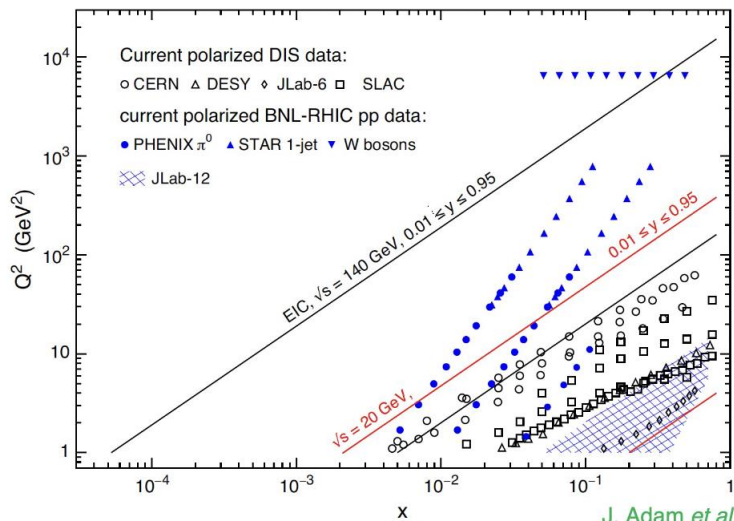
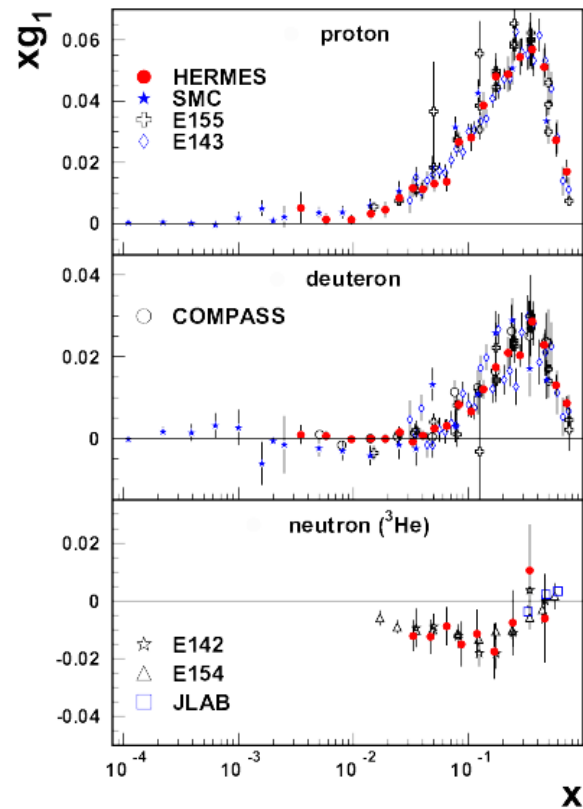
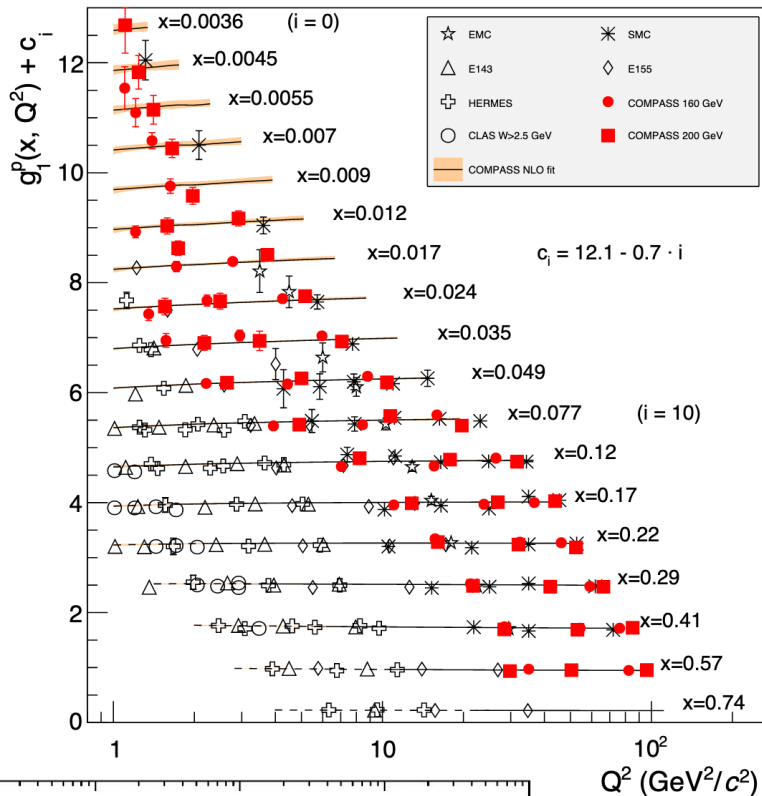
- 1980s: EMC (CERN) + early SLAC
quark contribution to proton spin is very small
 $\Delta\Sigma = (12 + -9 + -14)\%!$ 'spin crisis'
- 1990s-2000s: SLAC, SMC (CERN), HERMES (DESY)
 $\Delta\Sigma = 20-30\%$, the rest: gluon and quark orbital angular momentum
 $(\frac{1}{2})\Delta\Sigma + L_q + \Delta G + L_G = 1/2$
gauge invariant $(\frac{1}{2})\Delta\Sigma + \mathcal{L}_q + J_G = 1/2$
Bjorken Sum Rule verified to $<10\%$ level
- 2000s-2020s: COMPASS (CERN), HERMES (DESY), RHIC-Spin, JLab, ... :
 $\Delta\Sigma \sim 30\%$; ΔG contributes (RHIC-Spin), orbital angular momentum significant

Needs full spin-flavor separation: valence quarks and sea quarks
spin moments (sum rules/polarizabilities) \rightarrow test of QCD theoretic approaches

Reviews: Sebastian, Chen, Leader, arXiv:0812.3535, PPNP 63 (2009) 1;
Chen, arXiv:1001.3898, IJMPE 19 (2010) 1893; ...

POLARIZED STRUCTURE FUNCTIONS

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Summary of Spin Experiments

Observable	H target	D target	³ He target
g_1, g_2, Γ_1 & Γ_2 at high Q^2	SLAC JLAB SANE	SLAC	SLAC JLAB E97-117 JLAB E01-012 JLAB E06-014
g_1 & Γ_1 at high Q^2	SMC HERMES JLAB EG1	SMC HERMES JLAB EG1	HERMES
Γ_1 & Γ_2 at low Q^2	JLab RSS	JLab RSS	JLab E94-010 JLab E97-103
Γ_1 at low Q^2	SLAC HERMES JLAB EG1	SLAC HERMES JLAB EG1	HERMES
$\Gamma_1, Q^2 \ll 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	JLab EG4	JLab EG4	JLab E97-110
$\Gamma_2, Q^2 \ll 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	JLab E08-027		JLab E97-110

JLab12
A1n
d2n
RGC

COMPASS
RHIC-Spin

SAGDH

g2p

Highlights of JLab12 Spin Program I

Spin Structure in Valence Quark Region

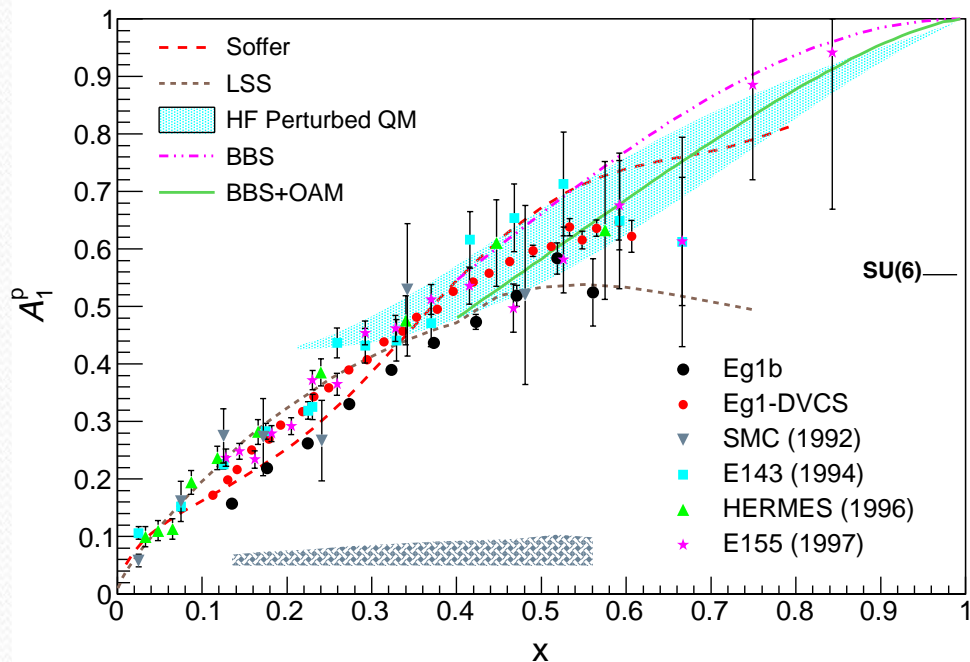
- **Preliminary results from $A1n(^3\text{He})$ @ high-x:**
spin structure in valence region
- **Overview of RGC@CLAS12: $A1p$ ($A1d$) @ high-x**
spin structure with longitudinally polarized p and d

A_1 at High- x : World Data

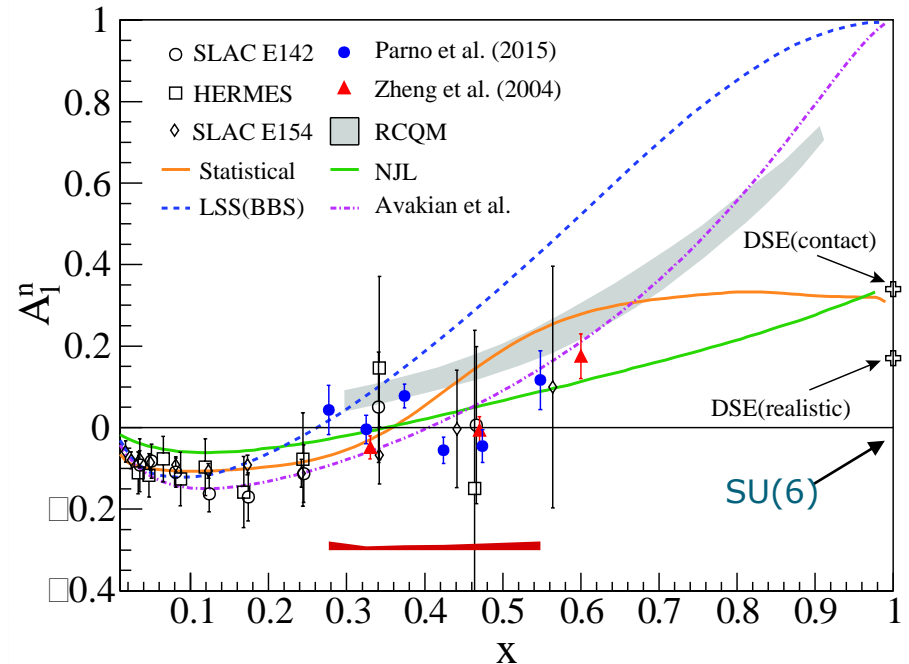
• a clean domain where QCD (and many other models) can make predictions for (the ratio of) structure functions

• ratios of pol/unpol pdfs at $x \rightarrow 1$ provide unambiguous, scale invariant, non-perturbative features of QCD

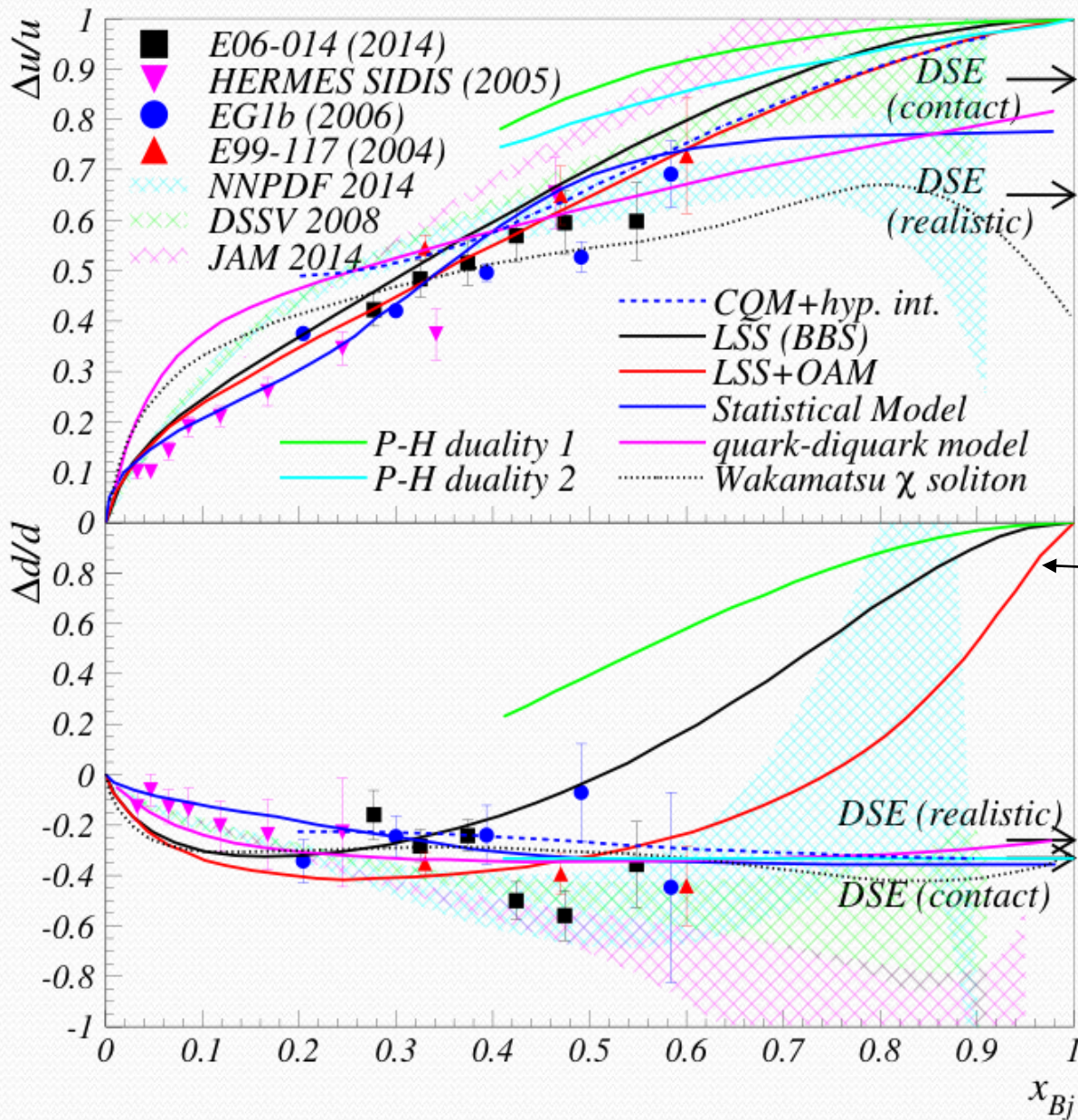
proton



neutron



Simple Spin-flavor Decomposition at High-x



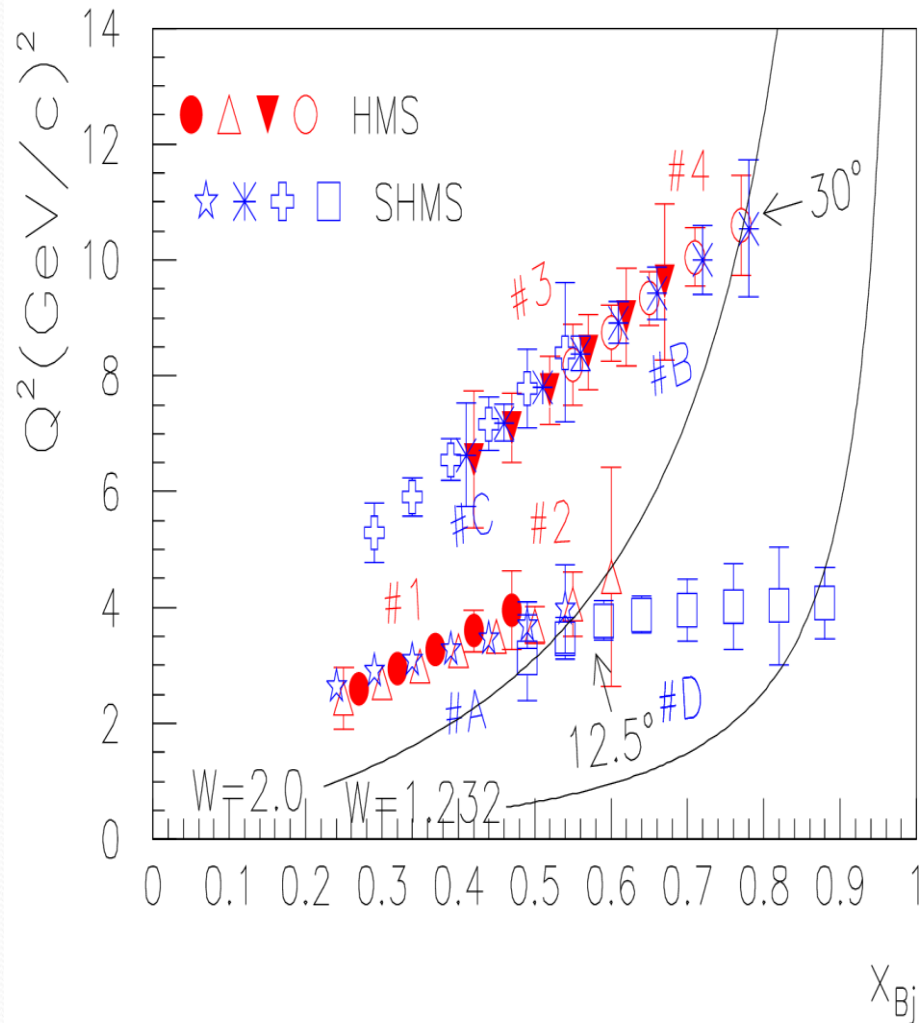
$$\frac{\Delta u + \Delta \bar{u}}{u + \bar{u}} = \frac{4}{15} \frac{g_1^p}{F_1^p} (4 + R^{du}) - \frac{1}{15} \frac{g_1^n}{F_1^n} (1 + 4 R^{du})$$

$$\frac{\Delta d + \Delta \bar{d}}{d + \bar{d}} = \frac{-1}{15} \frac{g_1^p}{F_1^p} \left(1 + \frac{4}{R^{du}}\right) + \frac{4}{15} \frac{g_1^n}{F_1^n} \left(4 + \frac{1}{R^{du}}\right)$$

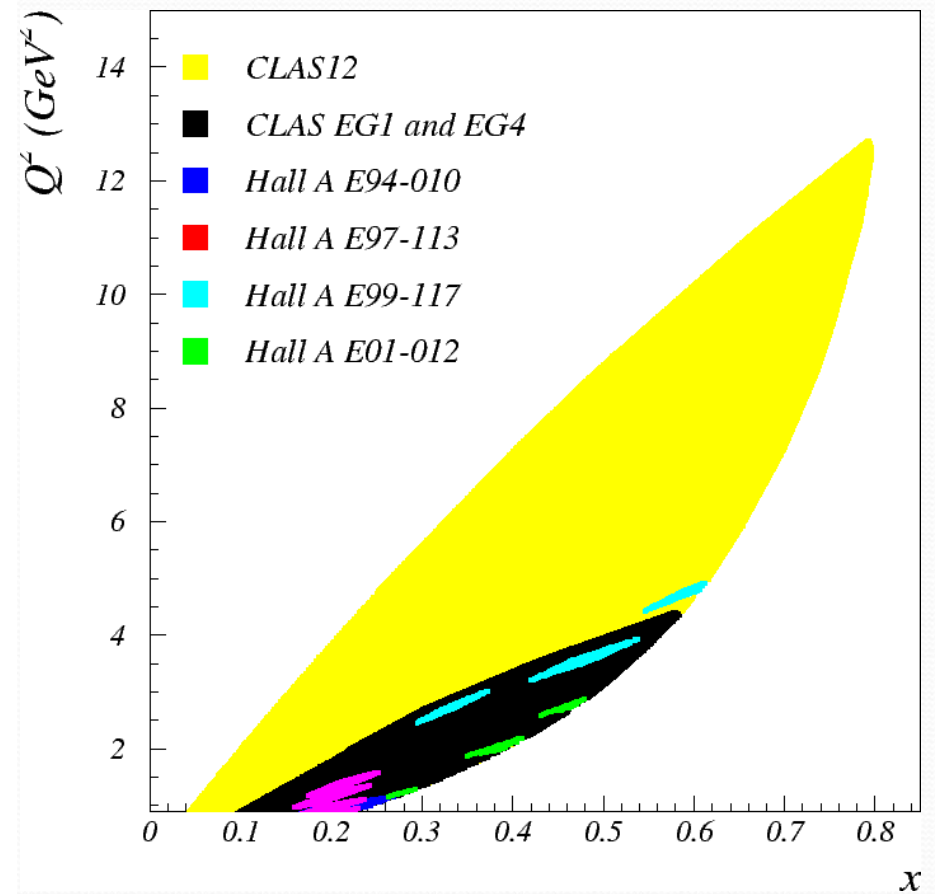
\leftarrow pQCD with quark OAM,

Reaching Deeper Valence Quark Region with 12 GeV

Hall C A_1^n Kinematics

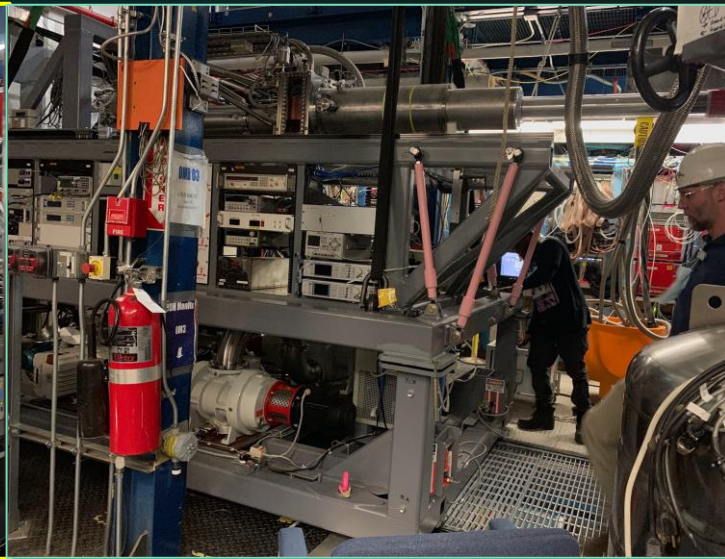
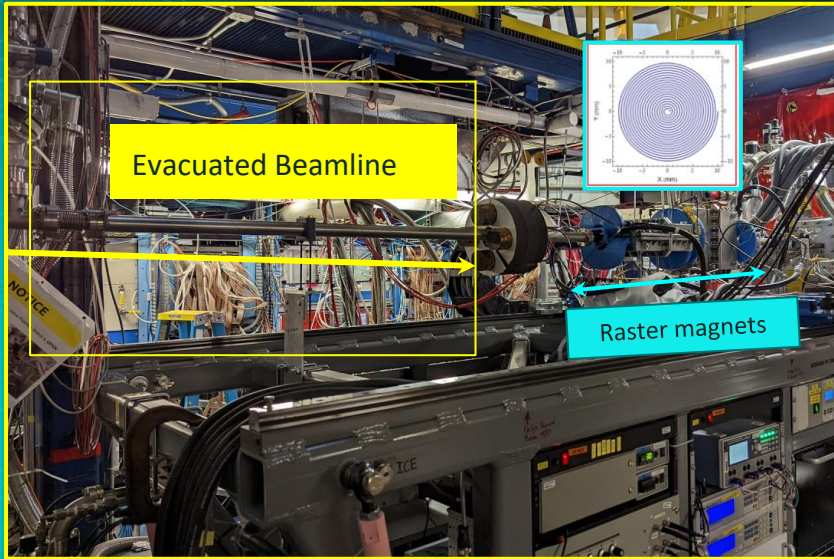


CLAS12 Kinematics



RGC@CLAS12 with Longitudinally Polarized proton/deuteron Targets

P. Pandey



RGC scheduled for 9 calendar months (240 calendar days), data collected for 190 days, 80% of allotted beam time.

Collected data from 06/11/2022 to 03/20/2023 with some breaks due to Magnet power supply failure (firmware issue) and configuration changes.

Proposal ID	Title
E12-06-109	Longitudinal Spin Structure of the Nucleon
E12-06-109A	DVCS on the Neutron with Polarized Deuterium Target
E12-06-119(b)	DVCS on Longitudinally Polarized Proton Target
E12-07-107	Spin-Orbit Correlations with Longitudinally Polarized Target
E12-09-007(b)	Study of Partonic Distributions using SIDIS K Production
E12-09-009	Spin-Orbit Correlations in K Production with Polarized Targets

A1n@High-x: E12-06-110 in Hall C

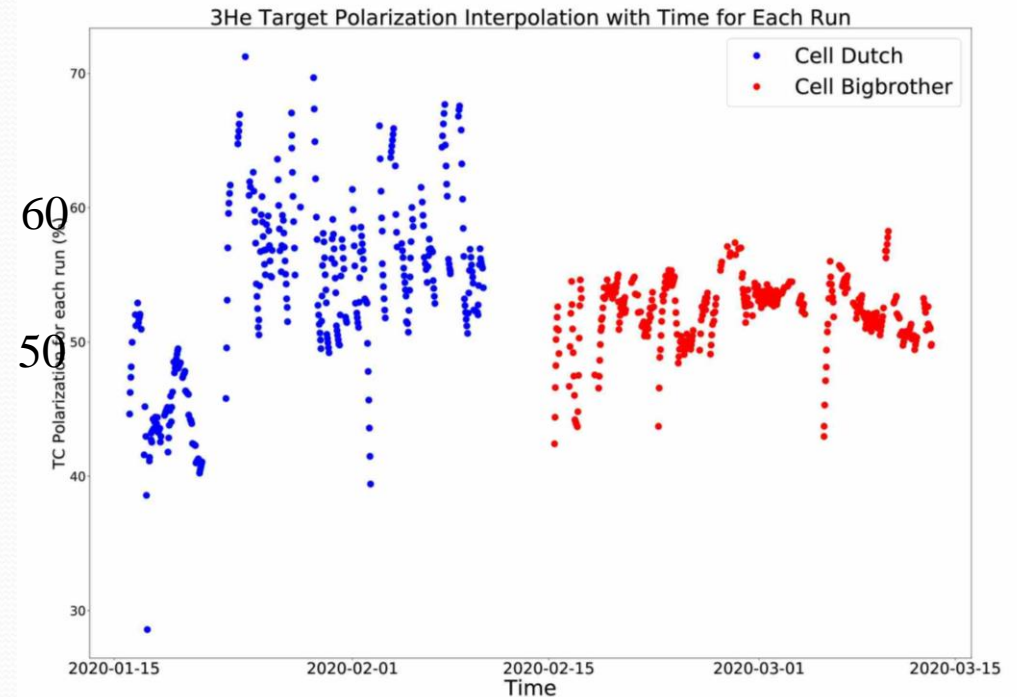
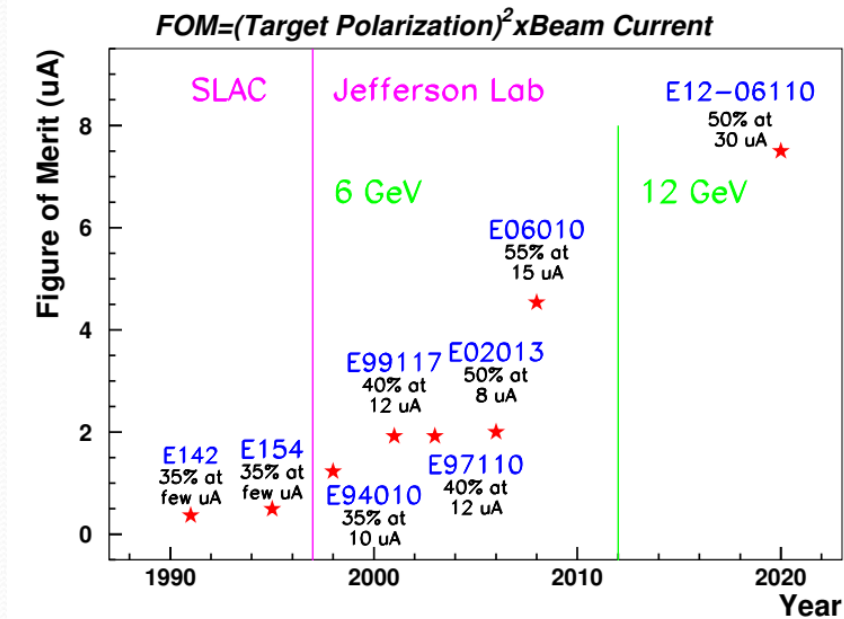
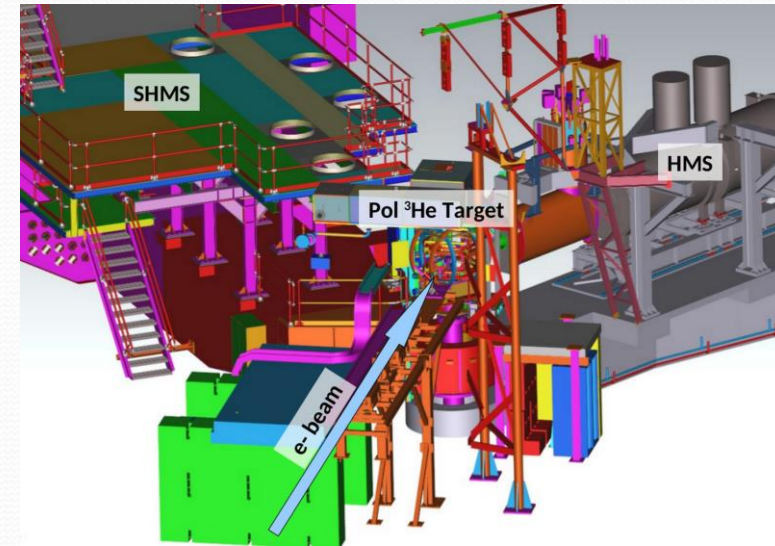
Spokespersons: X. Zheng, G. Cates, J. P. Chen, Z. E. Meziani

Ph.D Students: M. Chen, M. Rehfuss

30 μA , 85% polarized 10.4 GeV electron beam

40 cm L/T polarized ^3He with in-beam polarization reach up to 60% (average $\sim 50\text{-}55\%$)

luminosity ($2 \times 10^{36} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$) and FOM are a factor of 2 improved over the world record

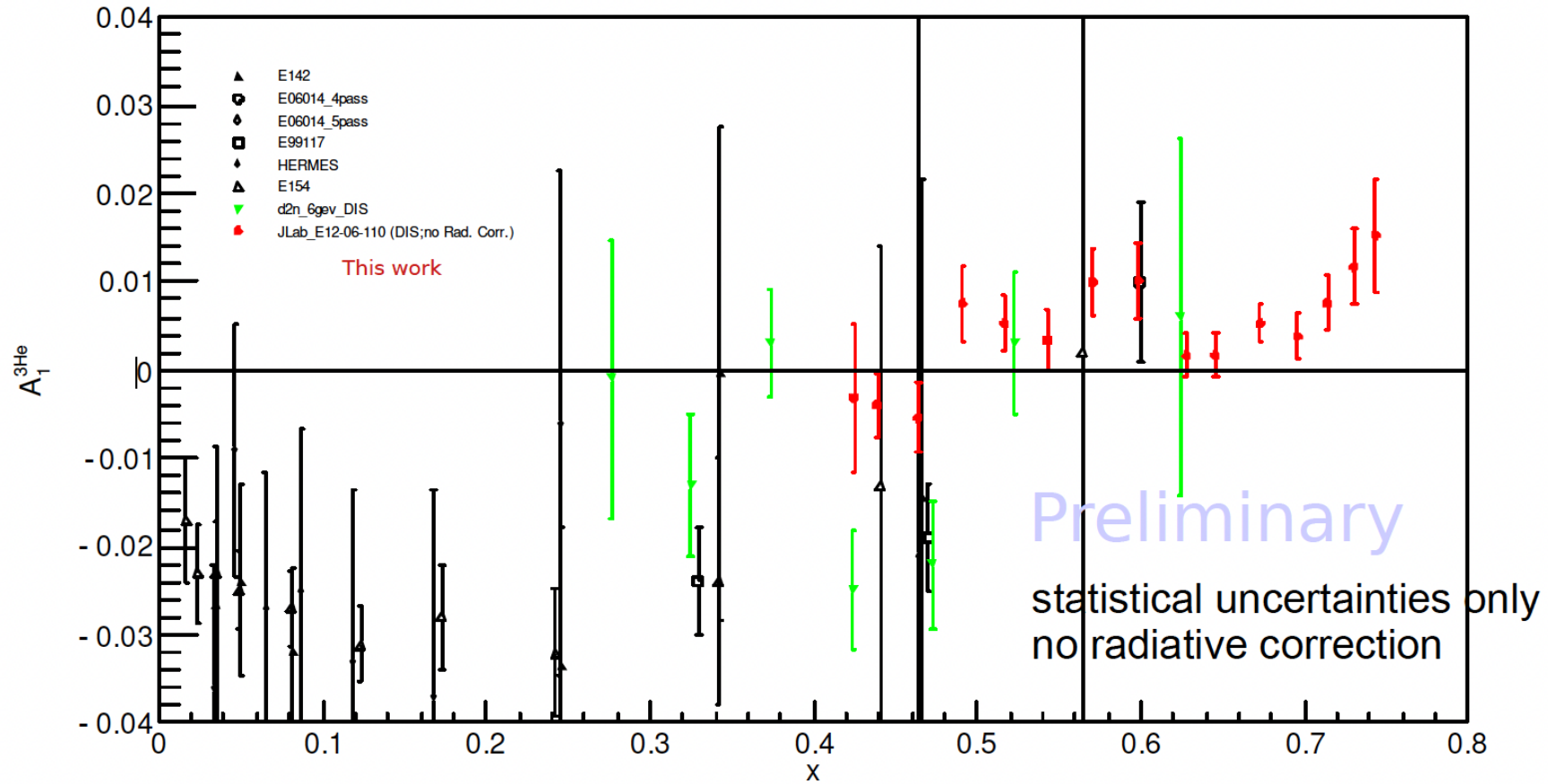


A1n@High-x: Preliminary Results

Asymmetry $A_1^{3\text{He}}$

with DIS $W > 2$ GeV cut

$$A_1 = \frac{A_{\parallel}}{D(1+\eta\xi)} - \frac{\eta A_{\perp}}{d(1+\eta\xi)}$$



• Credit to Mingyu Chen (UVA)



Highlights of JLab12 Spin Program II

Spin Moments @ Intermediate Q^2

Preliminary results from $d_2n(^3\text{He})$ in Hall C:
twist-3 matrix element \rightarrow quark-gluon correlations
(color polarizability/color Lorentz force)

6 GeV Results for d2 Moment

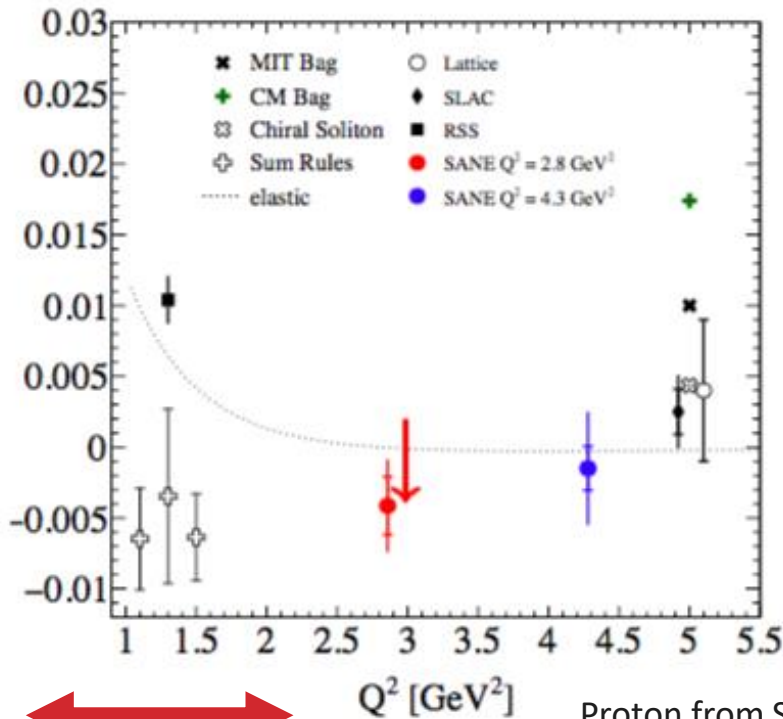
Dynamic twist-3 matrix element

$$\int_0^1 x^2 \{2g_1 + 3g_2\} dx = d_2$$

Interpretations of d_2

- Color Polarizabilities (X.Ji 95, E. Stein et al. 95)
- **Average Color Lorentz force** (M.Burkardt)

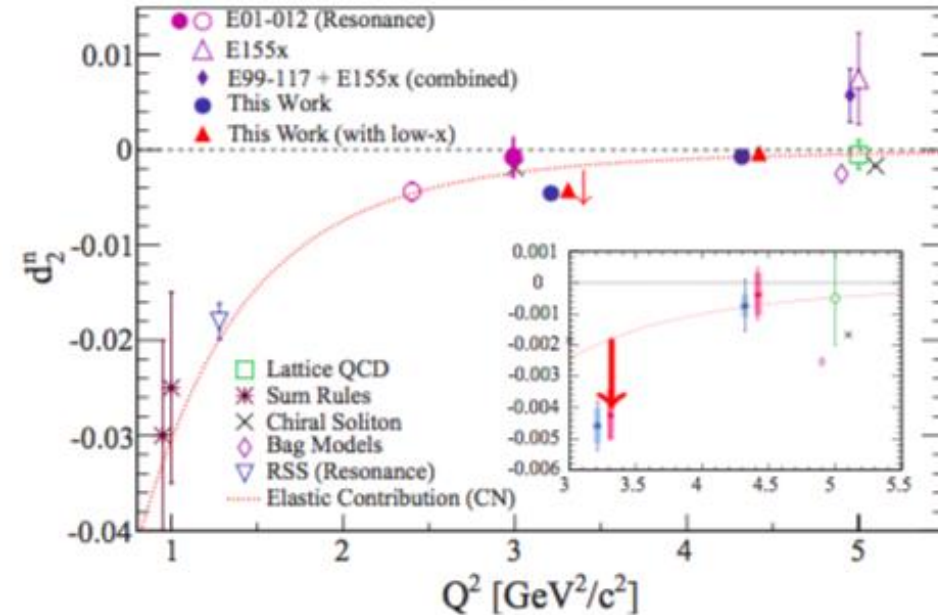
proton



g2p2 Proposal

Proton from SANE,
PRL 122, 022002 (2019)

neutron



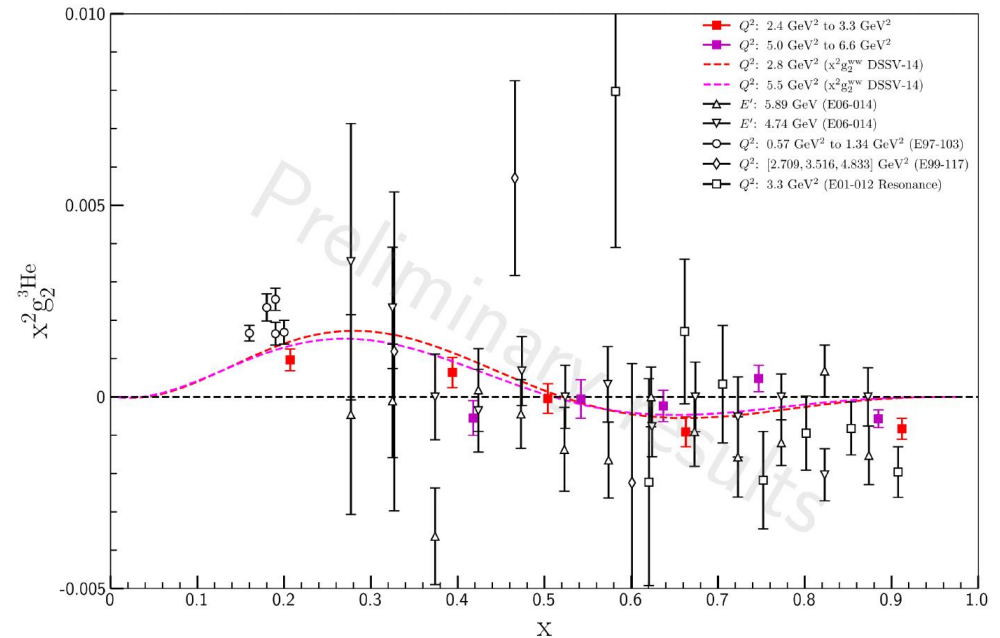
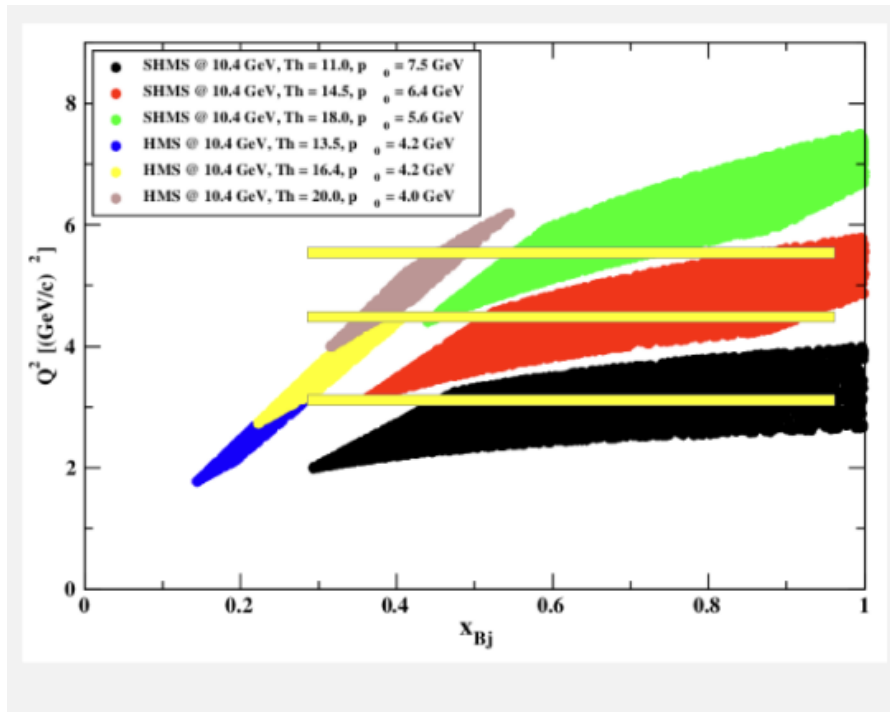
Neutron from d_2^n experiment: D.Flav, et.al.
PRD.94(2016)no.5,052003

12 GeV d_2^n



12 GeV d_2^n : Color Polarizability/Lorentz Force

- Measurement of g_1 and g_2 structure functions and d_2 moments at $3 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 5.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ for the neutron using a polarized ^3He target
- Study quark-gluon correlations (twist-3) and provide a benchmark test of LQCD calculations.
- Data taking completed, analysis on-going



preliminary results on $g_2^n/g_2^{^3\text{He}}$ (J. Chen)

Recent Published Results on Spin Moments: Sum Rules and Polarizabilities @ Low-Q

Sum Rules

Nucleon Structure \leftrightarrow **Global Properties**
mass, spin, magnetic moment, polarizabilities, ...

How the structure is related (gives rise) to the global properties?
How the global properties emerging from the structure?

→ Help study/understand Strong QCD

Bjorken Sum Rule, GDH Sum Rule, Generalized Sum Rule

Bjorken Sum Rule
(high Q^2)

$$G_1^p(Q^2) - G_1^n(Q^2) = \int_0^1 \{g_1^p(x, Q^2) - g_1^n(x, Q^2)\} dx = \frac{1}{6} g_A C_{NS}$$

GDH Sum Rule
Real photon ($Q^2=0$)

$$\int_{n_{in}}^{\infty} (S_{1/2}(n) - S_{3/2}(n)) \frac{dn}{n} = -\frac{2\rho^2 a_{EM}}{M^2} k^2$$

Generalized GDH Sum Rule

$$S_1(Q^2) = 4 \int_{el}^{\infty} \frac{G_1(Q^2, \nu) d\nu}{\nu}$$

- Q^2 -dependence of GDH Sum Rule provides a **bridge linking strong QCD to pQCD**
 - Bjorken and GDH sum rules are two limiting cases
 - High Q^2 , Operator Product Expansion : $S_1(p-n) \sim g_A \rightarrow$ Bjorken
 - $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$, Low Energy Theorem: $S_1 \sim \kappa^2 \rightarrow$ GDH
 - High Q^2 : pQCD, Operator Product Expansion
 - All Q^2 region: **Lattice QCD calculations**
 - Low Q^2 region ($< \sim 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$): Chiral Effective Field Theory (χ EFT)

• B-C Sum Rule:

$$\Gamma_2(Q^2) \equiv \int_0^1 g_2 dx = 0$$

Spin Polarizabilities (higher moments)

- Polarizabilities @ low Q^2

Generalized forward spin polarizability:

$$\gamma_0 = \frac{4e^2 M^2}{\pi Q^6} \int x^2 (g_1 - \frac{4M^2}{Q^2} x^2 g_2) dx$$

Longitudinal-Transverse polarizability:

$$\delta_{LT} = \frac{4e^2 M^2}{\pi Q^6} \int x^2 (g_1 + g_2) dx$$

They can be calculated with χ EFT and Lattice QCD (4-point functions)

- Polarizabilities @ Intermediate-to-high Q^2

Color polarizability (X. Ji)

Color Lorentz force (M.

Burkardt)

Dynamic twist-3 matrix element: quark-gluon correlations

Lattice QCD calculations

$$\int_0^1 x^2 \{2g_1 + 3g_2\} dx = d_2$$

Low-Q Spin Experiments @ JLab

- **Hall B EG4: proton g_1 :** Spokespeople: M. Ripani, M. Battaglieri, A. Deur, R. de Vita
Students: H. Kang, K. Kovacs

X. Zheng et al., Nature Physics, vo. 17 736-741 (2021)

- **Hall A g2p: proton g_2 :** Spokespeople: K. Slifer, J. P. Chen, A. Camsonne, D. Crabb
Students: D. Ruth, R. Zielinski, C. Gu, M. Allada (Cummings), T. Badman, M. Huang, J. Liu, P. Zhu

D. Ruth et al, Nature Physics 18, 1441 (2022)

- **Hall A SAGDH: neutron g_1 and g_2 with L/T polarized ^3He**

Spokespeople: J. P. Chen, A. Deur, F. Garibaldi.

Students: V. Sulkosky, C. Peng, J. Singh, V. Laine, N. Ton, J. Yuan.

V. Sulkosky et al., Nature Phys., 17 687 (2021)

V. Sulkosky et al., PLB 805 135428 (2020)

Combining EG4 and SAGDH to form Bjorken Sum: A. Deur et al., Phys. Lett. B 825 (2022) 136878

Extracting effective coupling α_{g_1} : A. Deur, et al., Particles, 5-171 (2022)

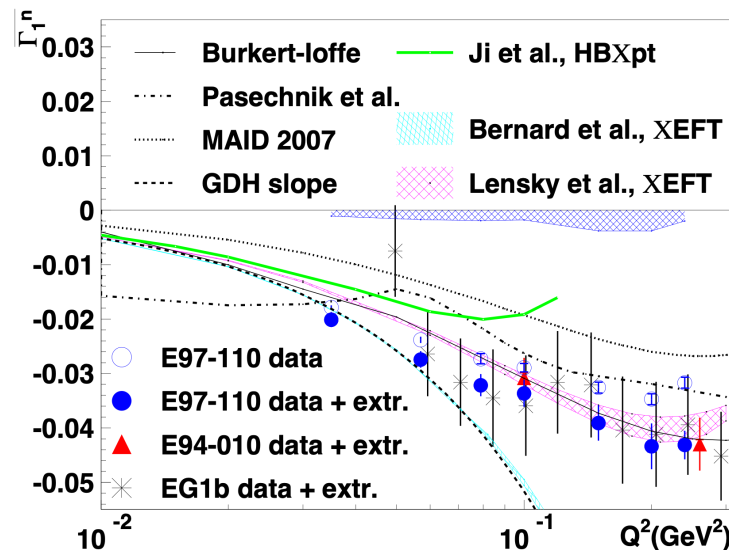
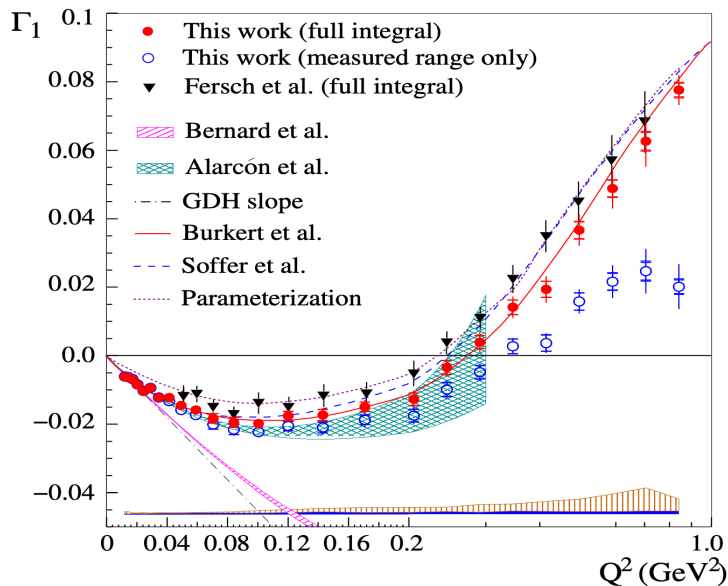
Low-Q workshop at Crete, Greece, May 2023 (<https://sites.temple.edu/lowq/>)

low-Q Γ_1, Γ_2 (spin sums) for proton and neutron

proton

neutron

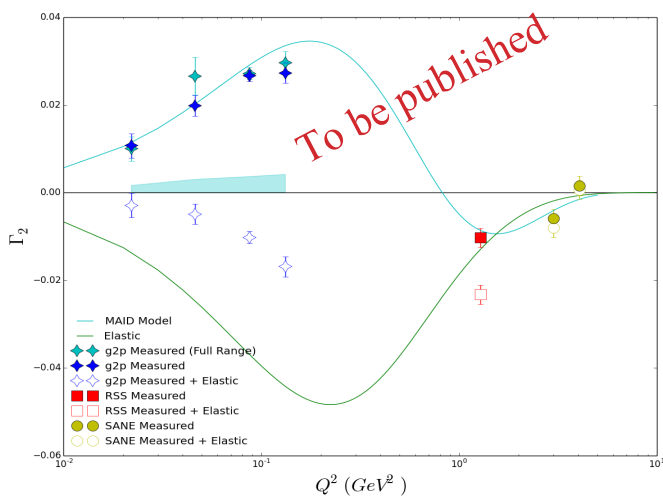
Γ_1



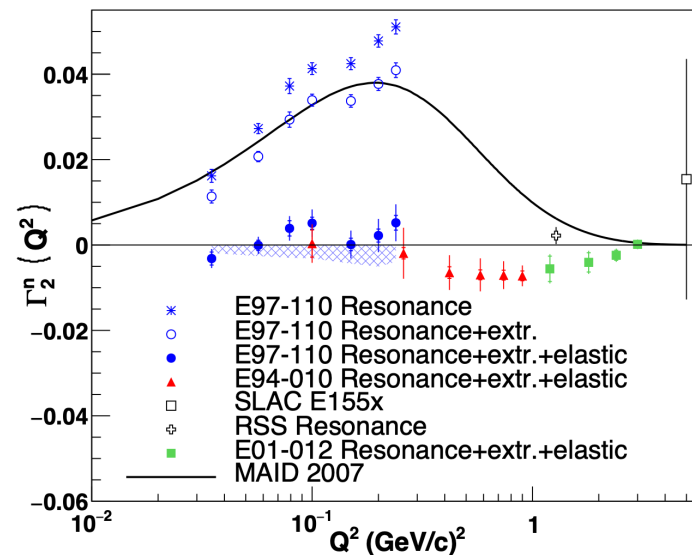
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Γ_2



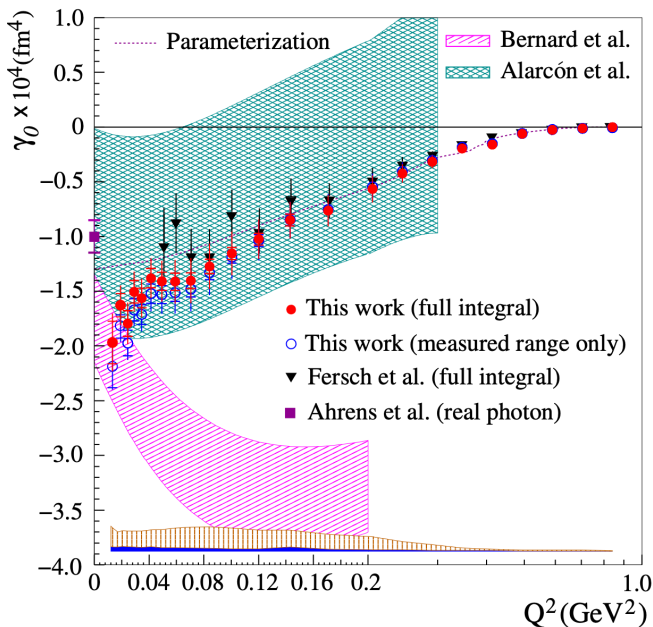
Preliminary
results from
JLab g2p
experiment
(D. Ruth)



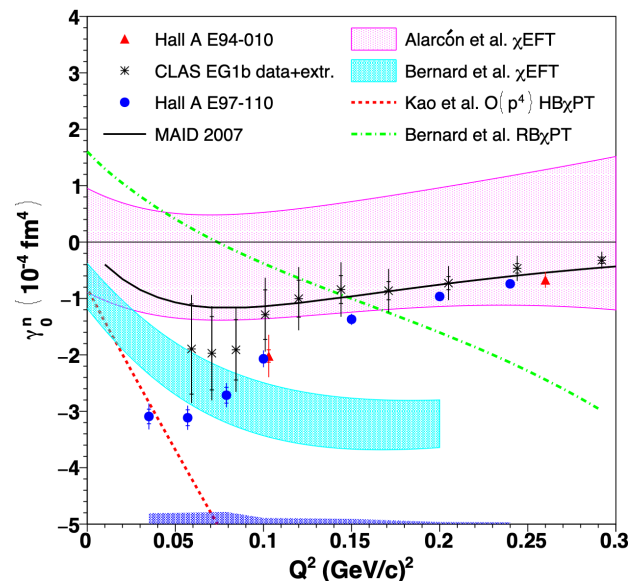
low- Q γ_0 , δ_{LT} (spin polarizabilities) or proton and neutron

γ_0

proton



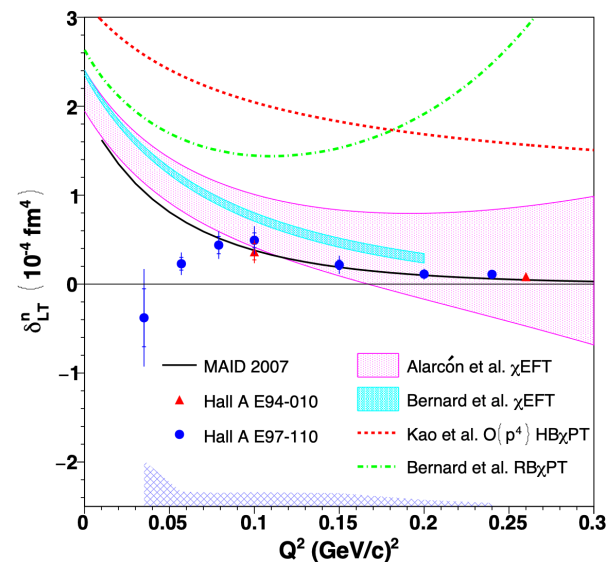
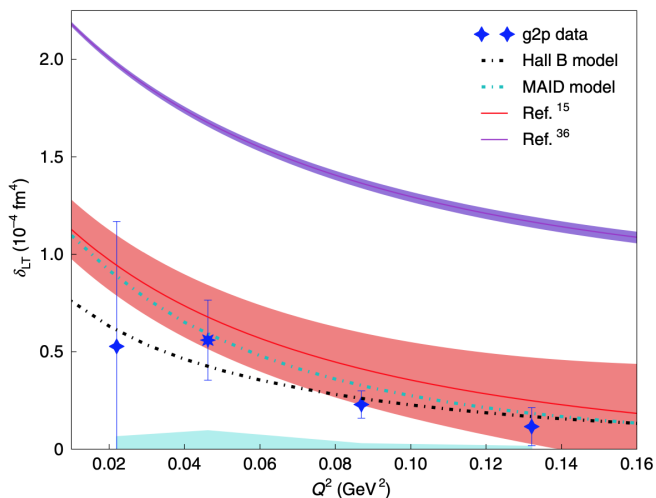
neutron



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δ_{LT}



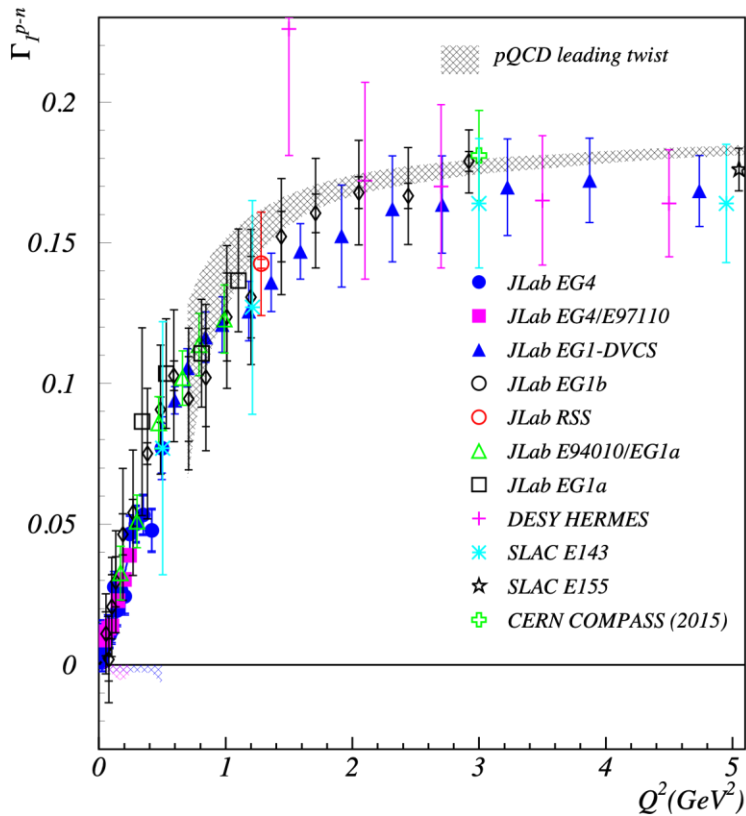
“ $\delta_{LT}^n(Q^2)$
puzzle”
remains!

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Comparisons with
 χ EFT calculations:
favor Alarcón *et al.*,
strong disagreement
with Bernard *et al.*

α_{g1} Extracted from the Bjorken Sum data

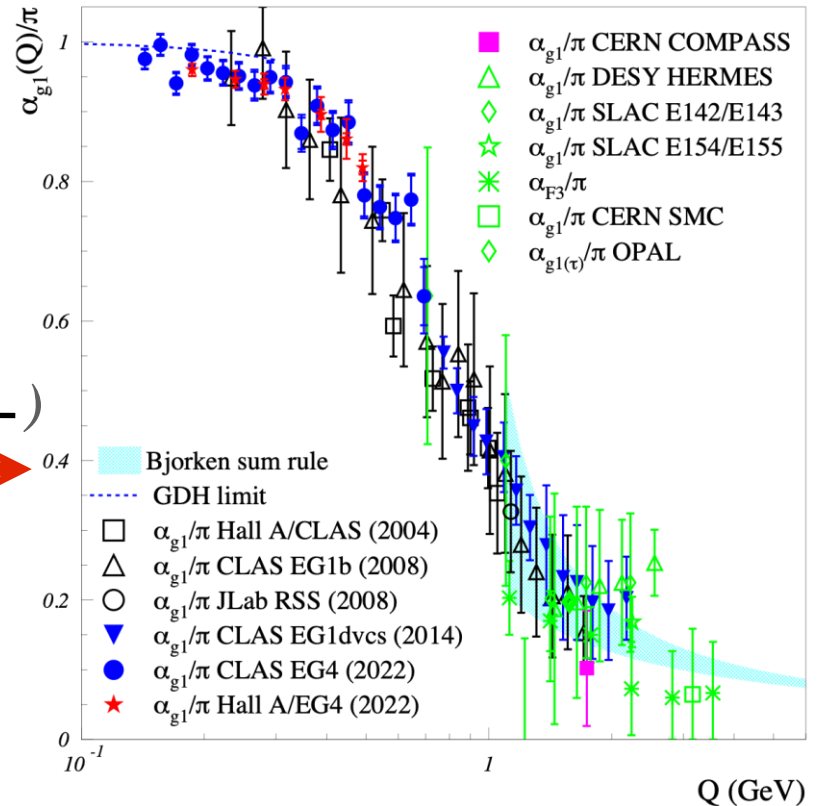
Bjorken sum Γ_I^{p-n} measurements



A. Deur, et al.
Physics Letter B
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Effective coupling α_{g1}

$$\Gamma_I^{p-n} \cong \frac{1}{6} g_A \left(1 - \frac{\alpha_{g1}}{\pi}\right)$$



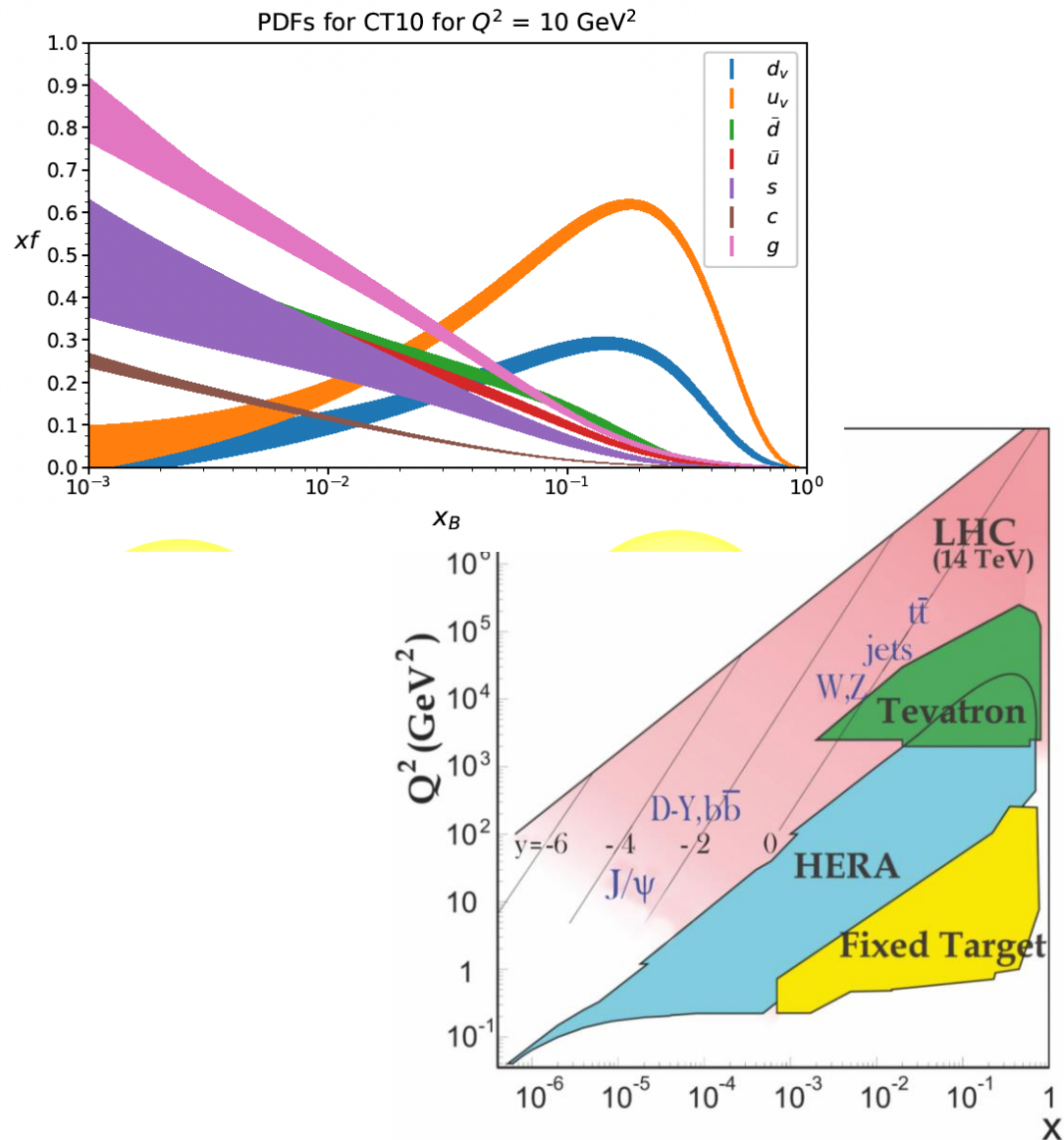
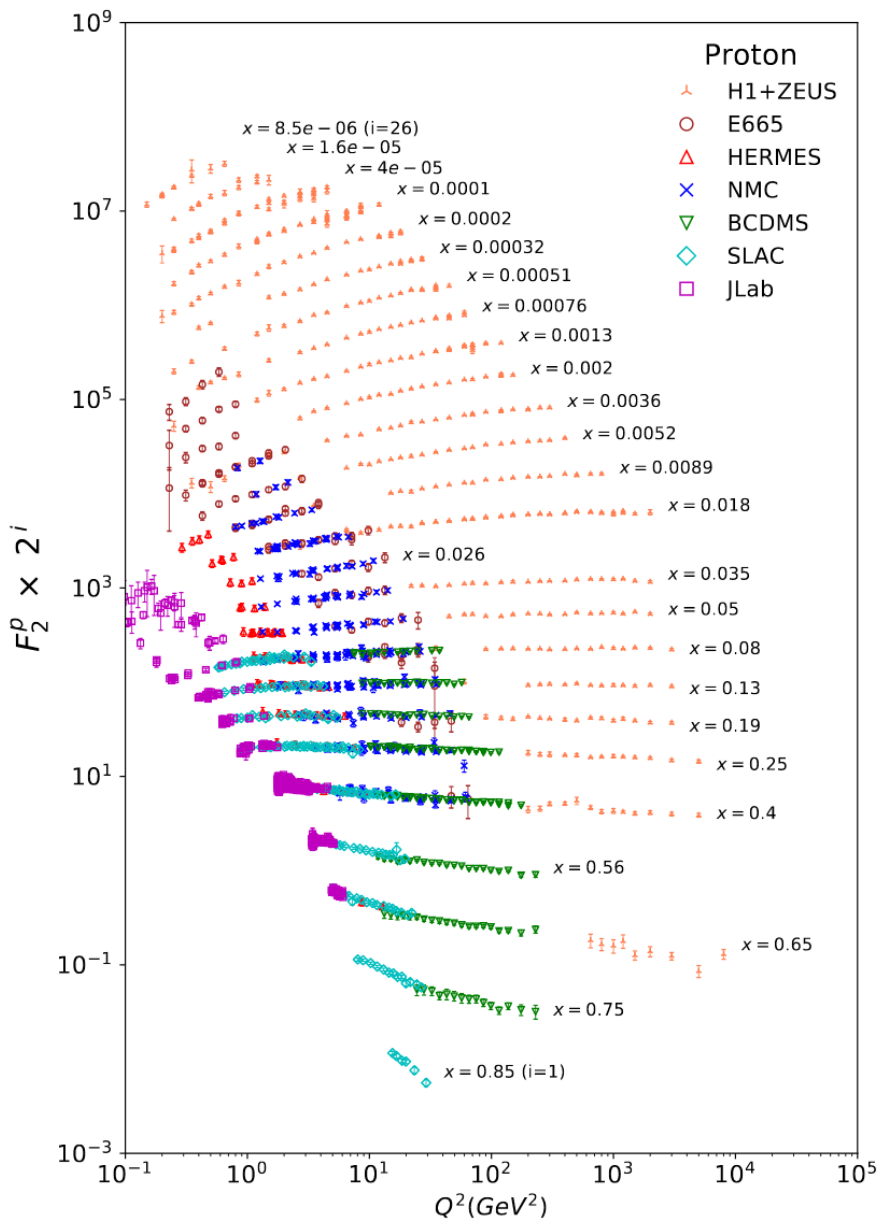
A. Deur, V. Burkert, J. P. Chen and W. Korsch
Particles, 5-171 (2022)

Summary and Outlook

- Highlights of Spin structure study @ JLab12:
 - **Preliminary results on A1n @ high-x** in Hall C: valence behavior
Data taking complete for $A_1(p/D)$ @CLAS12
 - **Preliminary results on d2n** in Hall C: twist-3, q-g correlations, LQCD
- Generalized Spin Sum Rules/Polarizabilities
 - clean means to study QCD over full range of Q^2
 - Exciting results from 3 JLab low- Q spin experiments
 - $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \gamma_0, \delta_{LT}$ for proton and neutron**
 - results in *3 nature physics, 1 PRL, 1 PLB, + more*
 - combined results (Bjorken sum) in *1 PLB*, α_{g1} extraction in *1 Particle*
 - Extensive tests of χ EFT calculations
 - Lattice QCD predictions becoming available
- Future: real photon GDH@Hall D, d2n@SoLID, ...
 - g2p2 (spin moments/d2p) proposal in Hall C
 - Bjorken sum and α_s extraction @ JLab22 ...
 - 3-D spin structure (TMDs, GPDs) (not covered in this talk)

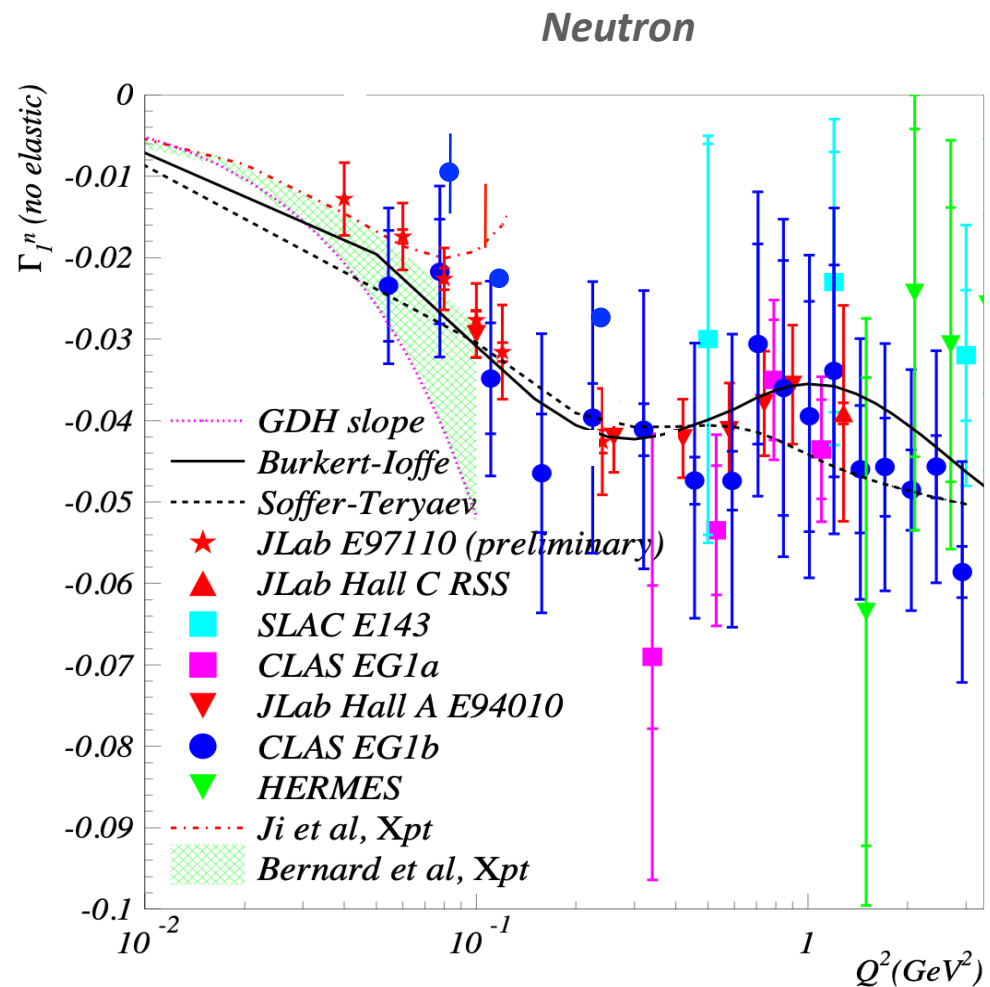
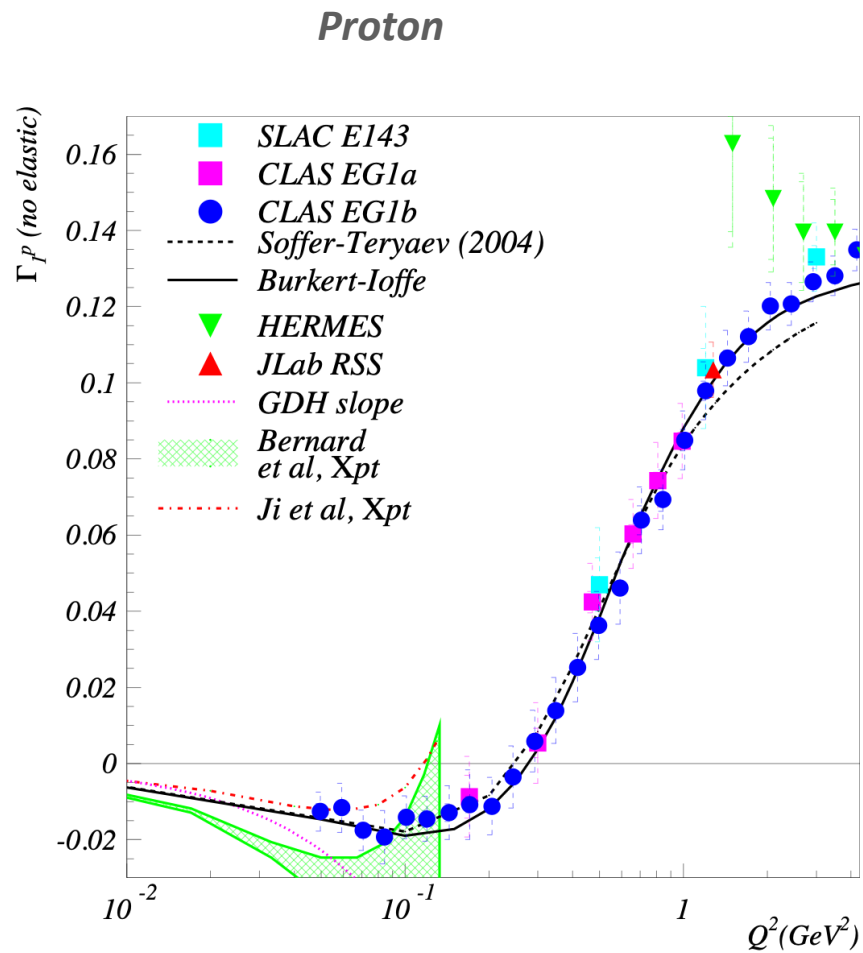
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UNPOLARIZED STRUCTURE FUNCTIONS



Q^2 evolution: one of the best tests of QCD

Previous world Γ_1 data before low- Q experiments



*Precise mapping of spin structure function moments in intermediate Q^2 region
PQCD, models and data agree.
How about χ EFT predictions? Not clear.*

EG4: new low-Q data on Γ_1 for proton

X. Zheng et al.,
Nature Physics,
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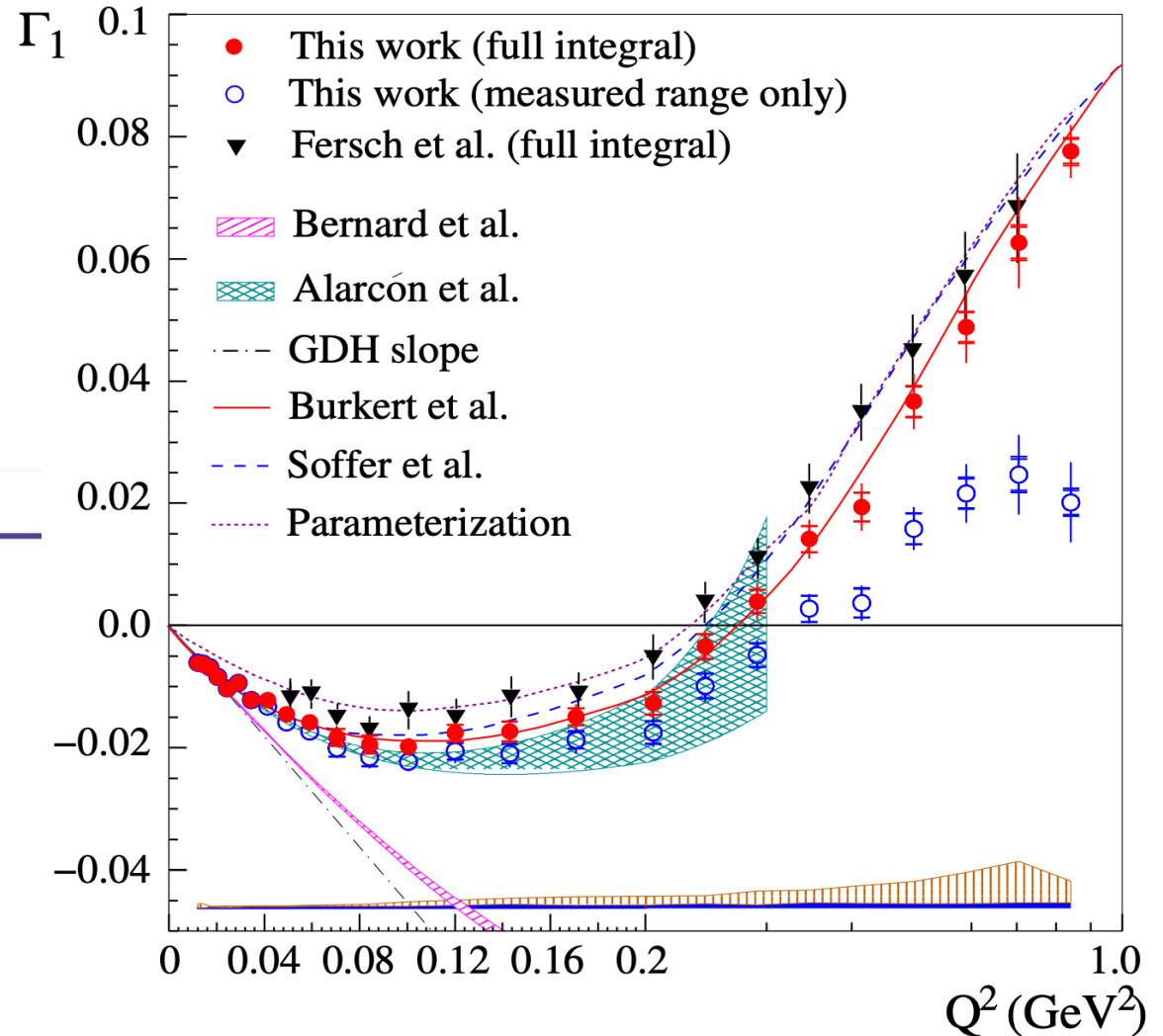
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Measurement of the proton spin structure at long distances



- Slight tension between EG4 and EG1 above $Q^2 \sim 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$.
- EG4 and χEFT agree up to $Q^2 \sim 0.04 \text{ GeV}^2$ (Bernard et al) or $Q^2 > 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$ (Alarcón et al.)
- Phenomenological models (Pasechnik et al, Burkert-Ioffe) agree well.

SAGDH: new low- Q data on Γ_1 for neutron

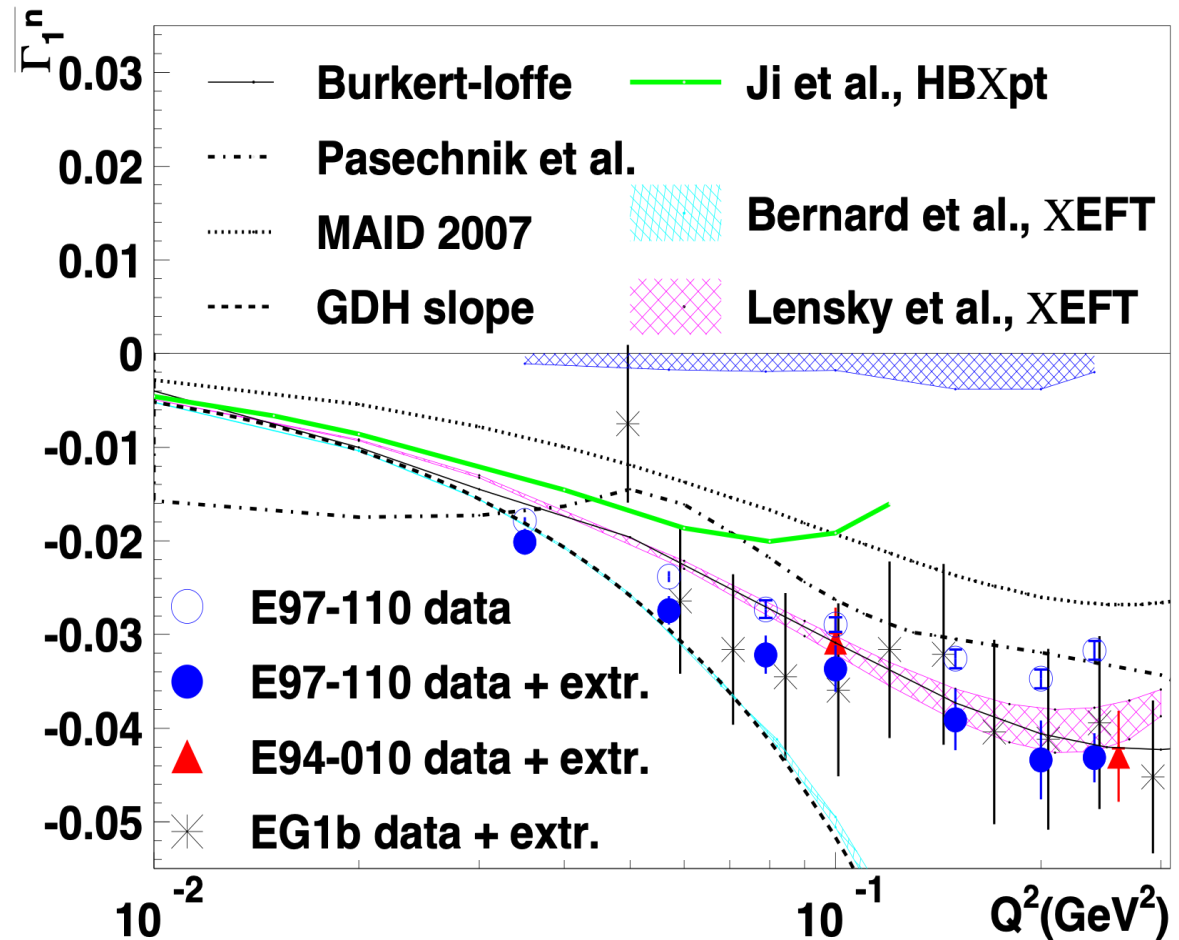
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Measurement of the ^3He spin-structure functions and of neutron (^3He) spin-dependent sum rules at $0.035 \leq Q^2 \leq 0.24 \text{ GeV}^2$

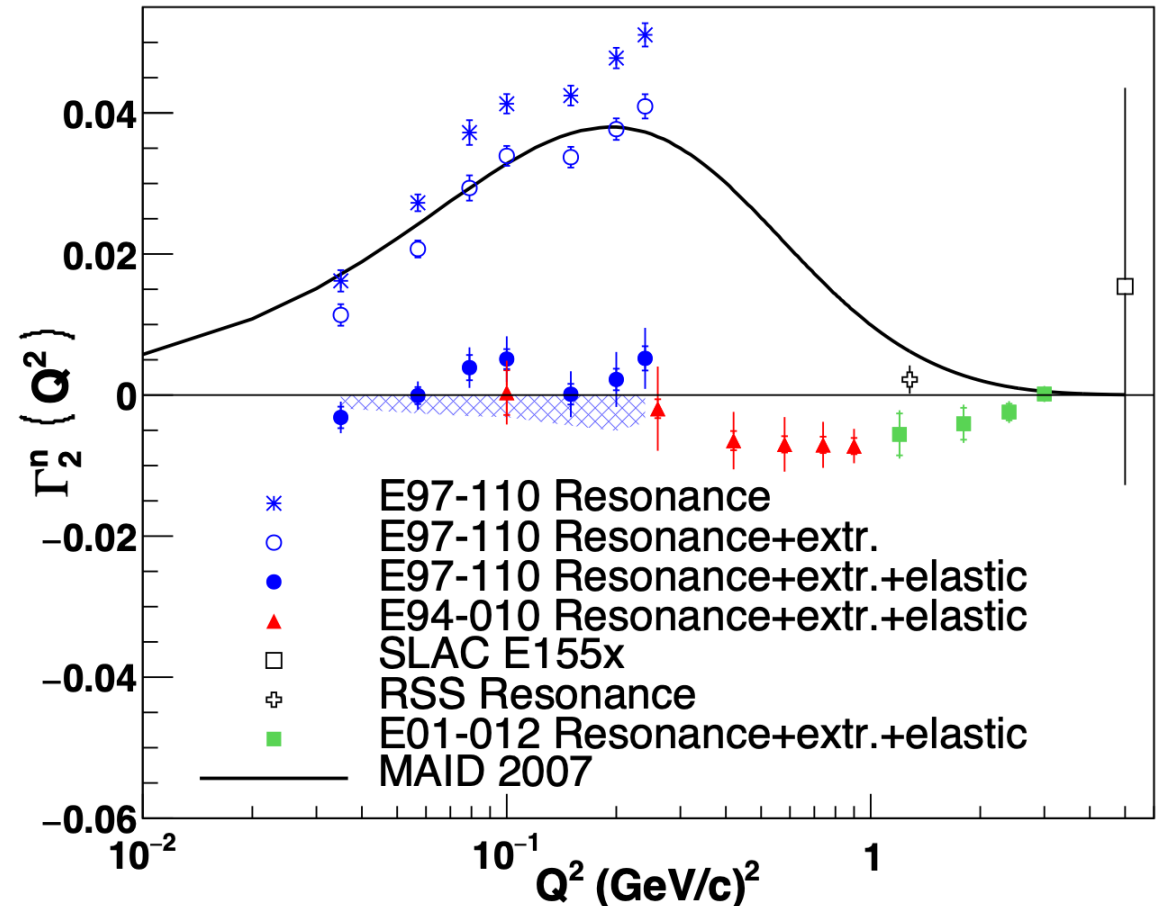


- E97-110 agree with existing data at larger Q^2 (EG1b, E94-010).
- E97-110 and χ EFT agree up to $Q^2 \sim 0.06 \text{ GeV}^2$ (Bernard et al) or $Q^2 > 0.08 \text{ GeV}^2$ (Lensky et al.)
- Some phenomenological models (Burkert-Ioffe) agree well with data, other (MAID, Pasechnik et al) not as much.

SAGDH: new Γ_2 data for neutron: Burkhardt–Cottingham sum rule

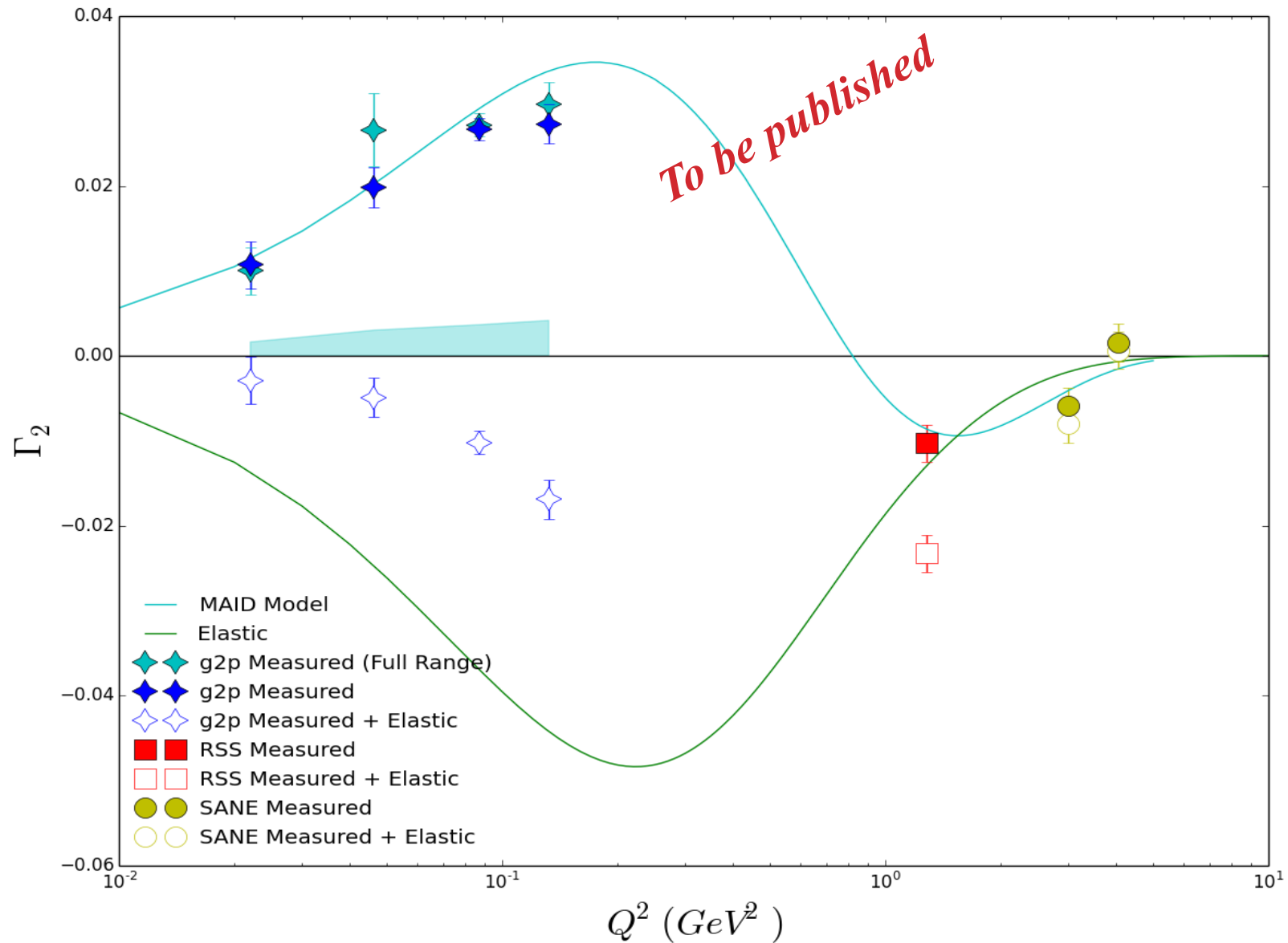
$$\Gamma_2(Q^2) \equiv \int_0^1 g_2 dx = 0$$

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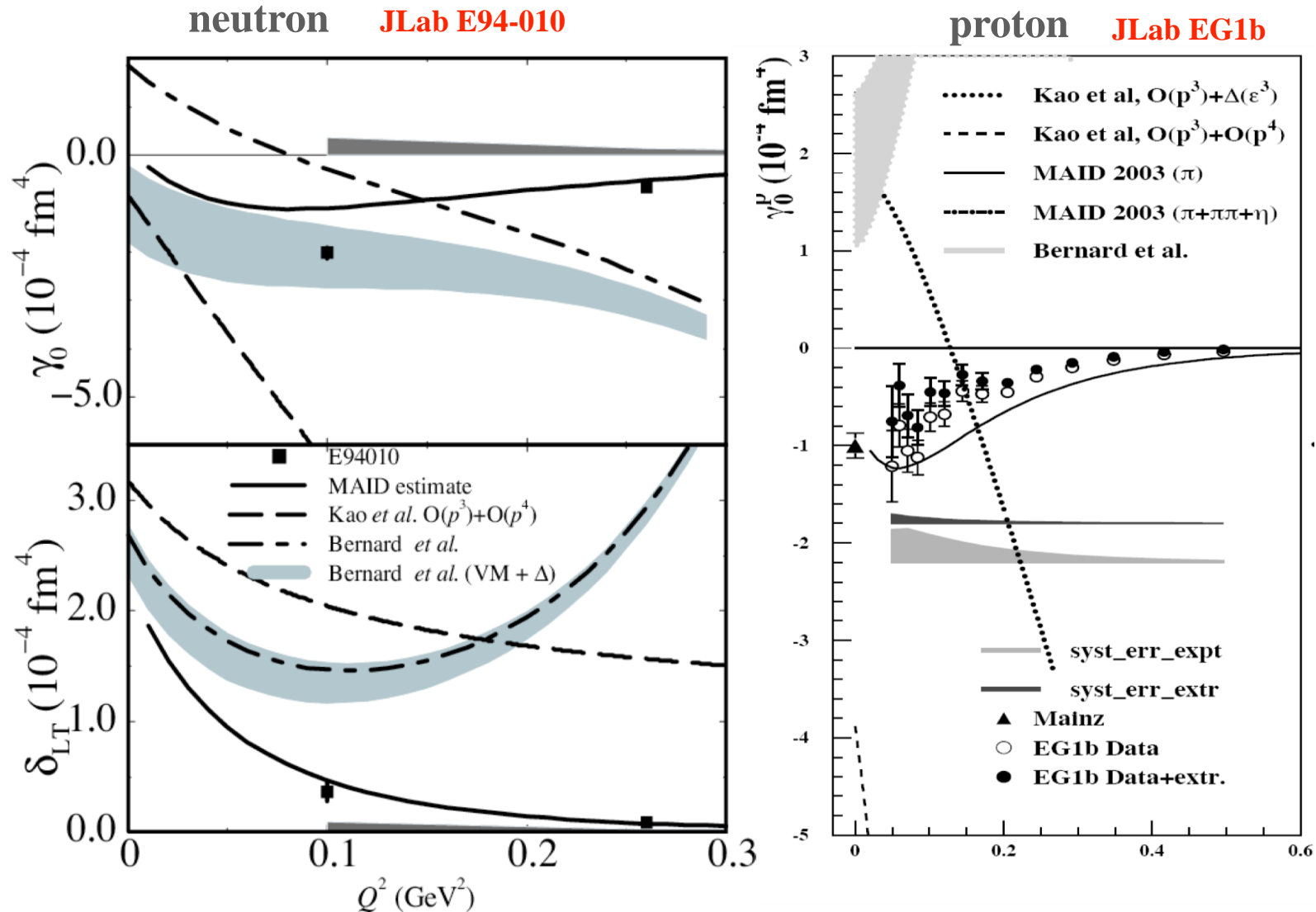


E97-110 verifies the B-C sum rule at low Q^2 . Older experiments at higher Q^2 also verify it.

g2p: new Γ_2 data on proton: BC Sum Rule



Previous JLab spin polarizabilities data before low-Q experiments



Strong disagreement with χ EFT predictions available at that time: “ δ_{LT} puzzle”

EG4 results on $\gamma_0^p(Q^2)$

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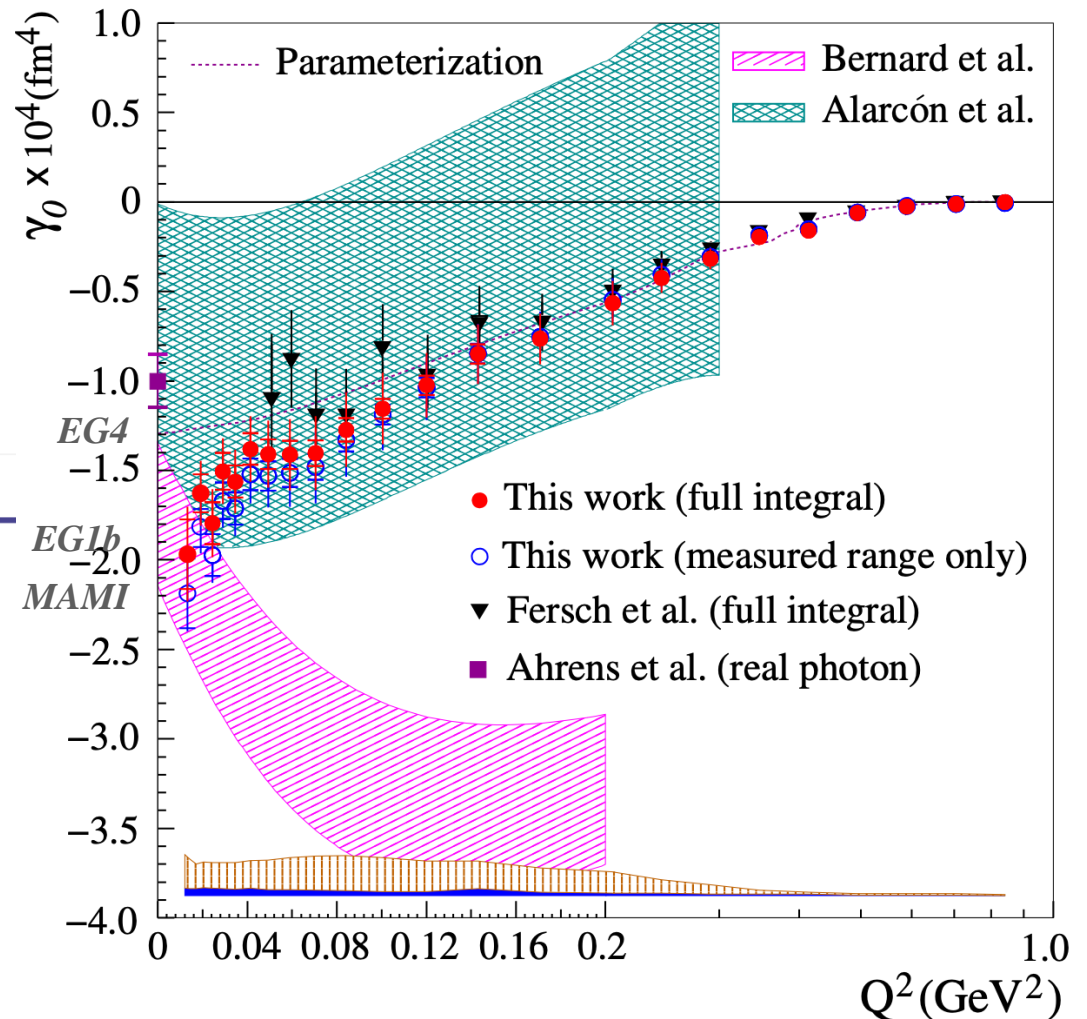
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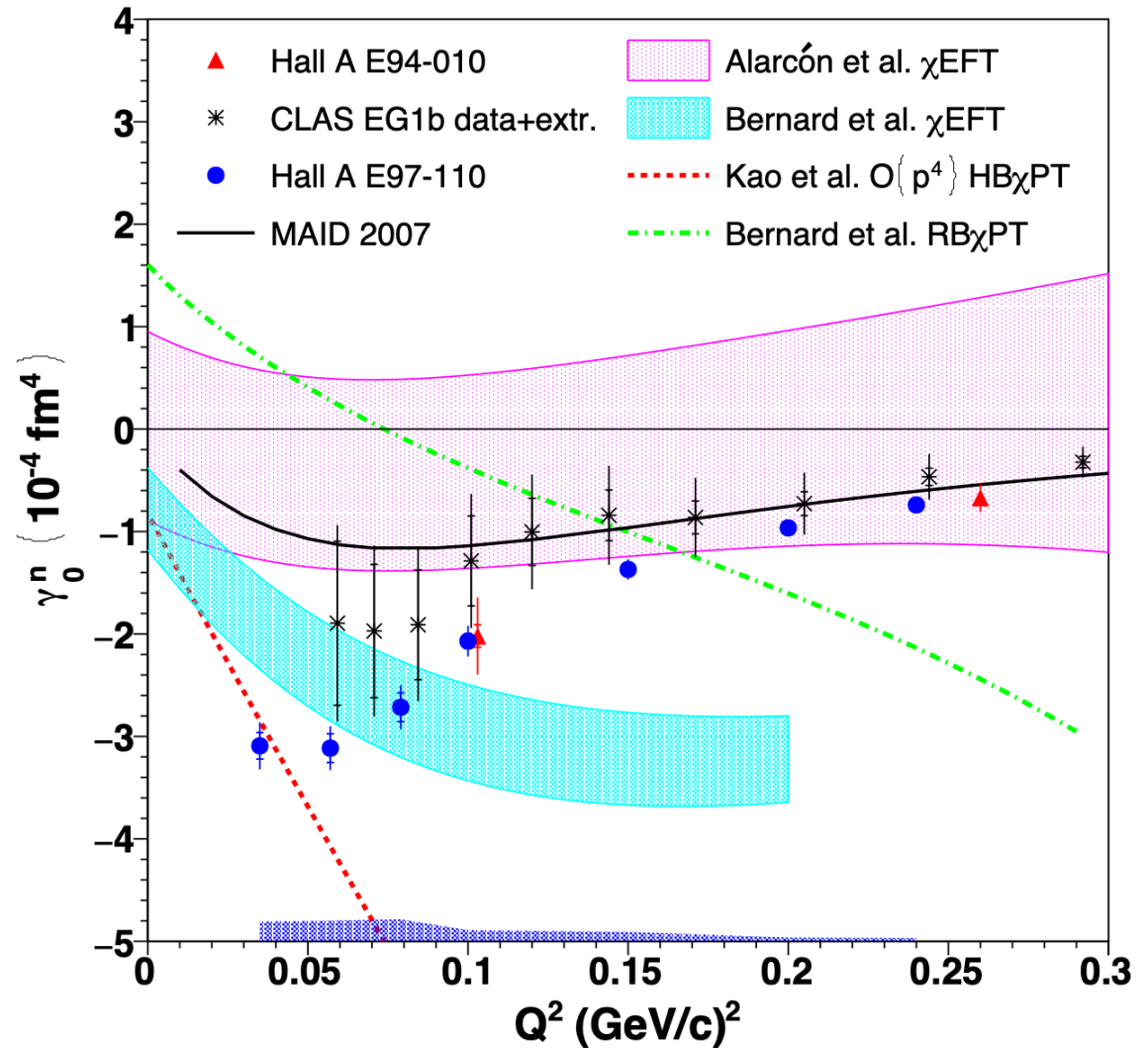
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- E97-110 agree with older data at larger Q^2 (EG1b, E94-010). Maid disagrees with the data.
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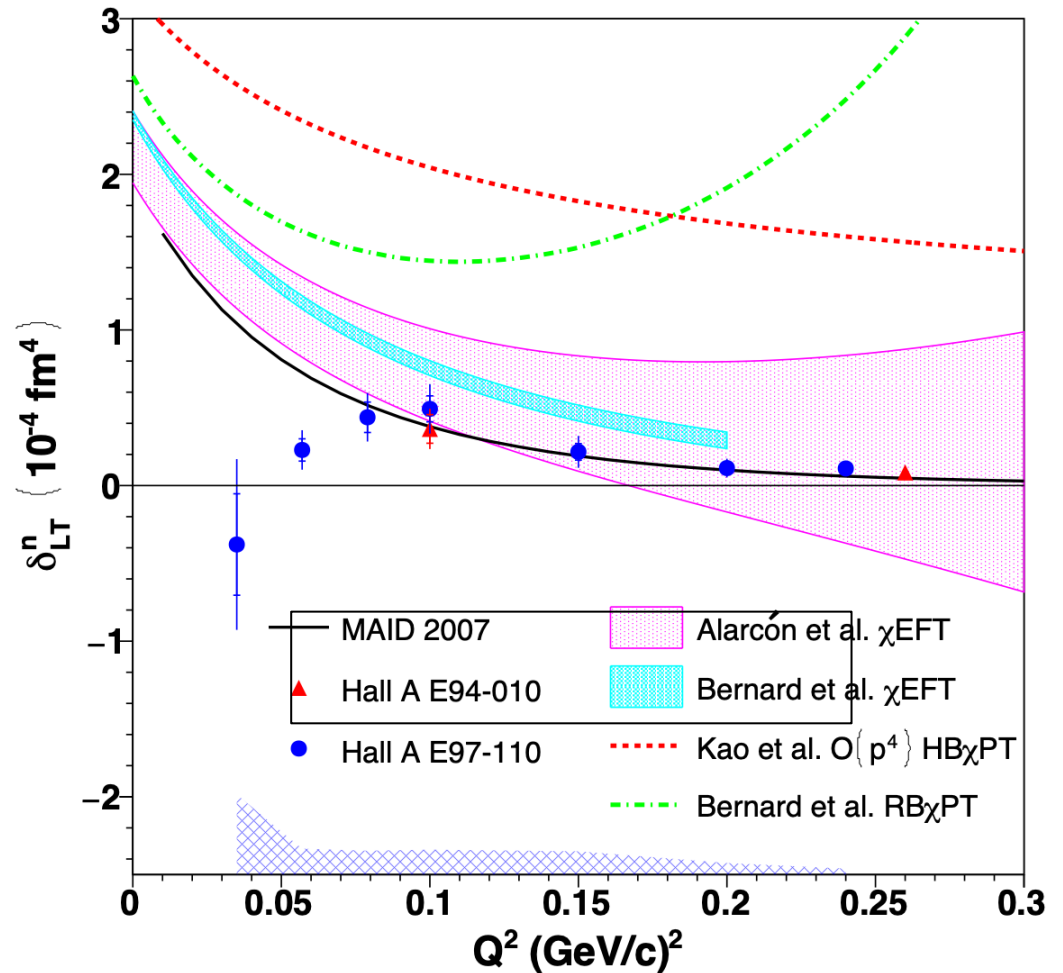
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- Good agreement with older data at larger Q^2 and with χ EFT & MAID there.
- Disagreement at lower Q^2 (opposite trend)
- “ $\delta_{LT}^n(Q^2)$ puzzle” remains!

δ_{LT} for Proton from g2p

D. Ruth et al,
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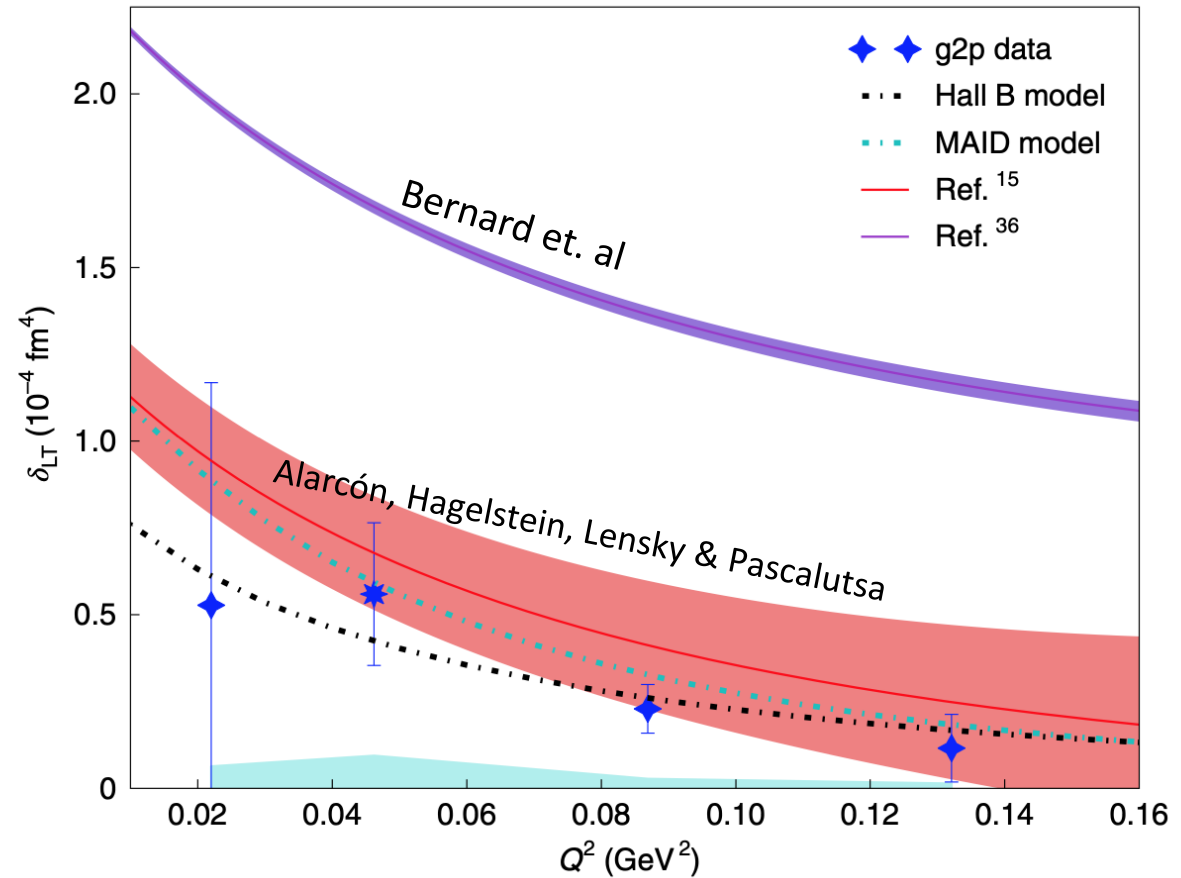
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- Comparisons with χ EFT calculations: favor Alarcon *et al.*, strong disagreement with Bernard *et al.*

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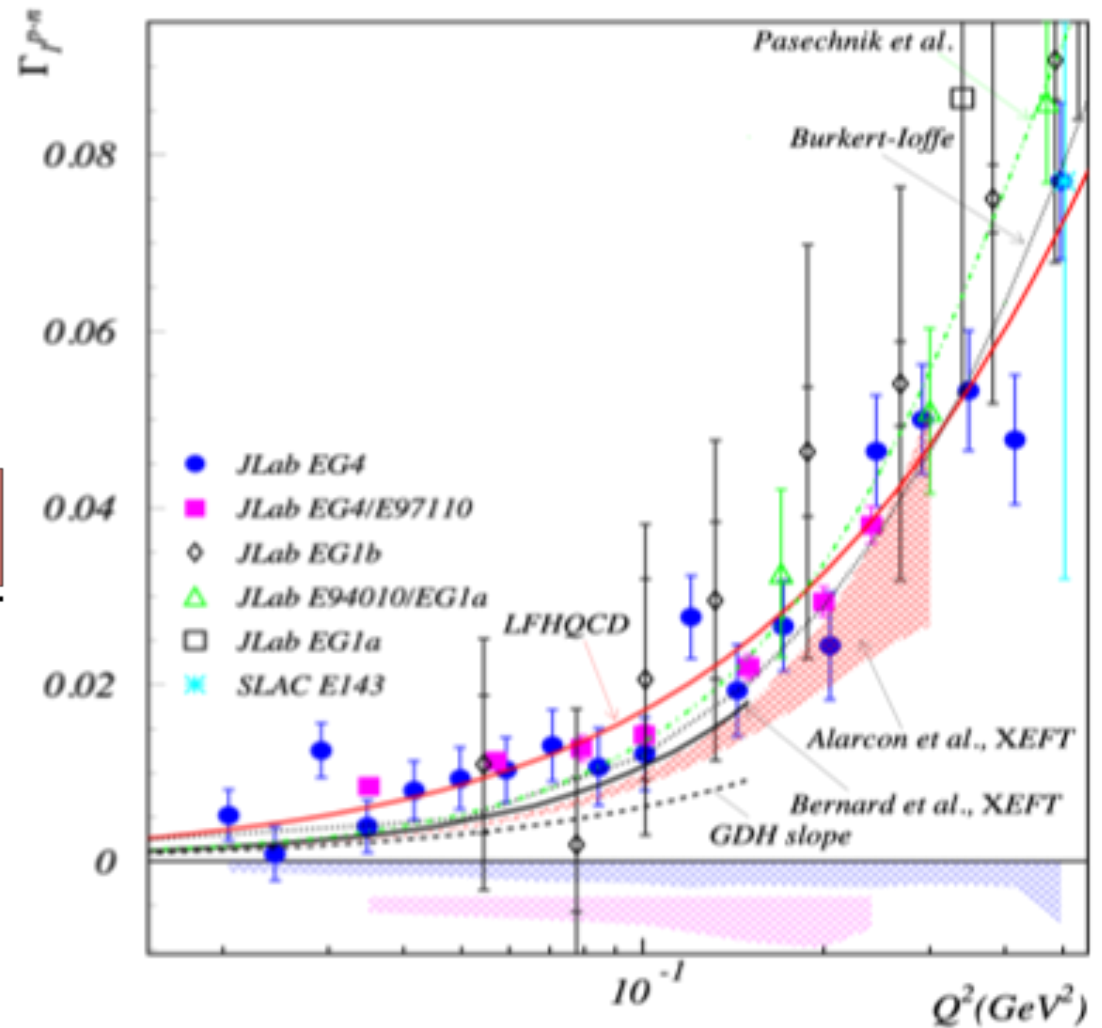
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