

# A study of neutron structure with (un)polarized deuterons and forward spectator tagging at EIC

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# Motivation → Electron Ion Collider

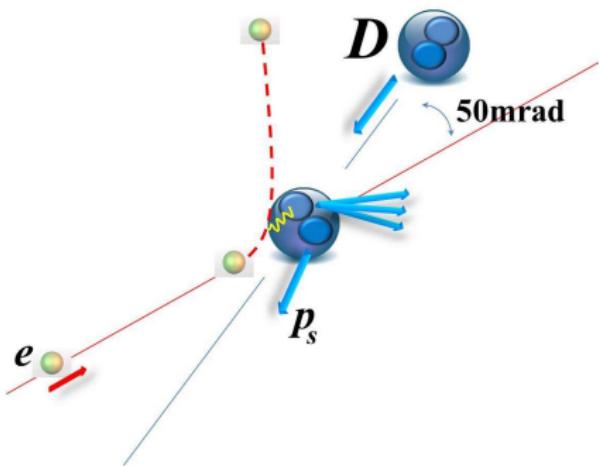


Figure: A Schematic of Reaction  $eD \rightarrow e' p_s X$

- **No Free Neutron Target**

- Neutron Structure  
(flavor decomposition of quark spin, sea quarks, gluon pol.)
- Spectator Nucleon Tagging  
(forward detection/unique for collider)
- (Pol.) Deuterium  
(a simple wave function/pol. neutron spin/limited FSI/coherence  $N = 2, \dots$ )

- **Gluon and sea quarks**

- Transverse imaging of the nucleon
- Nucleon Spin  
( $\Delta G$  vs.  $\log Q^2$ , transverse momentum)
- Nucleon QCD  
(gluons in nuclei, quark/gluon energy loss)
- Hadron Structure and formation

# Tagging with unpolarized and polarized light ions

$^2H$ :

## unpolarized

- A simple wave function, Two-body object
- Understanding how the free nucleon quark/gluon distribution are modified in the nucleus
- Neutron structure function  $F_2^n$
- Dependence of bound single nucleon structure (EMC effect)
- Spin-flavor dependence of EMC effect

## polarized

- Neutron spin structure function  $g_1^n$
- Map out  $g_1^n$  cleanest/most precise/nearly model-independent
- with  $^3He$  to test isospin dependent nuclear modification
- $F_2^n$ ,  $g_1^n$ , EMC effect disentangled !
- In this talk, Demonstrate that use of the spectator tagging MC simulation ( $e\bar{D} \rightarrow e' p_s X$ ) in feasibility of these observations

$^3He$ :

## unpolarized

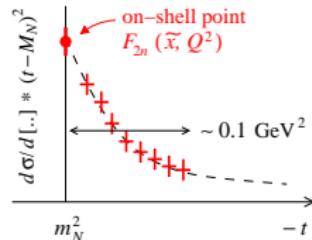
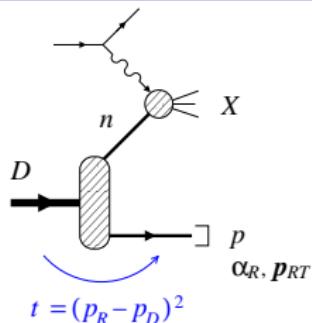
- Three-body object
- Bound nucleon structure and coherent quark/gluon fields
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## polarized

- Neutron spin to test of the universality of  $g_1^n$
- Three-nucleon system is much complex
- with  $^2H$  to test isospin dependent nuclear modification

[Talks by R. Ent & C. Hyde]

# Spectator Tagging → Extrapolating Neutron Structure



[Talk by C. Weiss, W. Cosyn]

- Light-Cone momentum fraction, Transverse momentum of recoil proton:

$$\alpha_R = 2 \frac{E_R + p_R^z}{M_D}, \quad |\vec{P}_R|^2 = \frac{-t'}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{t'}{2M_D^2} \right) + \frac{M_D^2}{4} - M_N^2$$

- Cross-section in the IA

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx dQ^2 d\alpha_R d^2 p_{RT}} = f_{Flux} \times S_D(\alpha_R, p_{RT}) \times F_{2n} \left( \frac{x}{2 - \alpha_R}, Q^2 \right)$$

- On-shell extrapolation:  $t \rightarrow M_N^2$  ( $t - M_N^2 \equiv t' \rightarrow 0$ )
  - Free neutron structure at pole
  - FSI does not affect to pole value
  - Model-independent method

# Spectator Tagging MC event generator

## JLAB LDRD2014-2015 Project

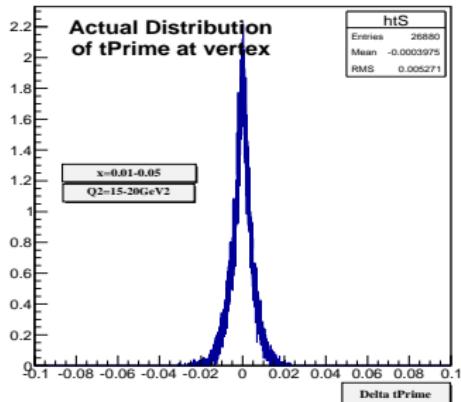
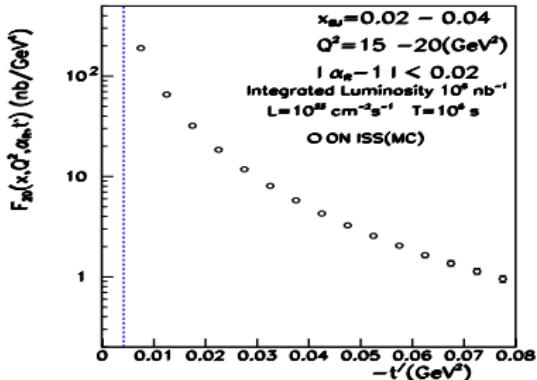
- Develop code for stand-alone event generator / physics model
  - C. Hyde, D. W. Higinbotham, P. Nadel-Turronski, K. Park, C. Weiss, M. Strikman, M. Sargsian, V. Guzey, W. Cosyn.....[Talk by C. Weiss]
- Modular code allows easy to maintain and extend
  - e.g. fixed target/collider, various physics model, etc...

## INGREDIENTS

- Implementing accelerator info
  - Cross-angle: 50 mrad,  $[E_e : E_D] = [5:100]$  GeV,  $p_R < 300$  MeV
  - Longitudinal  $p$  and angular spread of the beam:  $dp/p = 3 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $d\theta = 2 \times 10^{-4}$
  - Luminosity( $\mathcal{L}$ )= $10^{33}$  cm $^{-2}$  sec $^{-1}$ , Time( $\mathcal{T}$ )= $10^6$ (sec)
- User inputs: cross-section model
  - nucleon Struc.Func./deuteron Wav.Func./deuteron Residue Spect.Func.
- Resolution and Uncertainty
  - Initial State Smearing (ISS) is  $\ll \pm 1\%$
  - Intrinsic MC Statistical Uncertainty is  $\leq 1\%$
  - Sufficient  $t'$  resolution for the extrapolation
  - FSI (on-going work) .....[Talk by W. Cosyn]
- $F_{2n}$  structure function on-shell extrapolation with experimental uncertainty estimation

$$\Delta\sigma_{MC} = \sum N_i \Delta t' \frac{d\sigma}{dx dQ^2 dt'} \Gamma \cdot J/N_0 , \text{ count} = L \cdot T \cdot \Delta\sigma_{MC} , \sigma(\Delta\sigma_{MC}) = \frac{\Delta\sigma_{MC}}{\sqrt{\text{count}}} = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta\sigma_{MC}}{L \cdot T}}$$

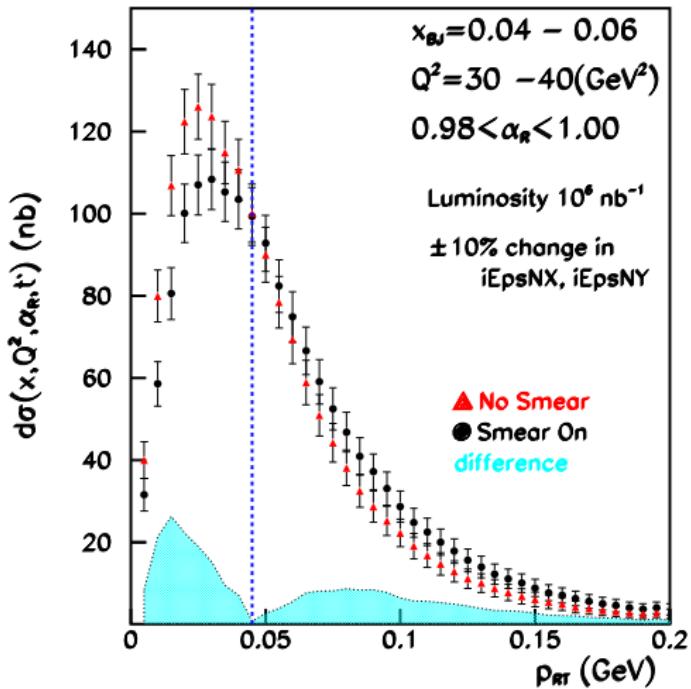
# MC Simulation → Cross-sections



- $F_{2n}$  vs.  $t'$  : take out  $f_{\text{Flux}}$
- $\alpha_R$  : cut around  $1.0 \pm 0.02$
- Excellent resolution allows to reach lower  $t'$
- Feasible on-shell extrapolation
- Vertical dash line:  $t'_{\min} = 0.00416 \text{ GeV}^2$

- **$t'$  resolution: RMS=0.005**
- Intrinsic momentum spread in **Ion beam** smears recoil momentum
- Dominant uncertainty for MEIC
- Effect on  $t'$  (angular spread)
- Smearing  $< t'$  bin-size

# Beam momentum smearing



- Smearing: Ion beam Transv. Emittances
- Ion beam  $p_T$  spread :  $\sigma \approx 20 \text{ MeV}$
- Width is known by  $\delta\sigma/\sigma \approx 10\%$
- No smearing (Red) and nominal smearing (Black)  
 $p_{\text{RT}}(\text{vertex}) \neq p_{\text{RT}}(\text{measure})$
- Up to 30% difference at lower  $p_{\text{RT}}$  (light-blue shade)
- Systematic uncertainty: 10% of difference ( $\approx 1-3\%$ )
- $p_{\text{RT}} = 0.45 \text{ GeV}$  (vertical dashed line)

# MC Simulation / GEMC - Event Display -

[ $x_{BJ}:Q^2$ ]=[0.01-0.1:10-20]

## phase-space event

- deuterons: - magenta -
- $e^-$ : - cyan -
- protons: - orange -
- Hall: vacuum
- Solenoid field: 3 T

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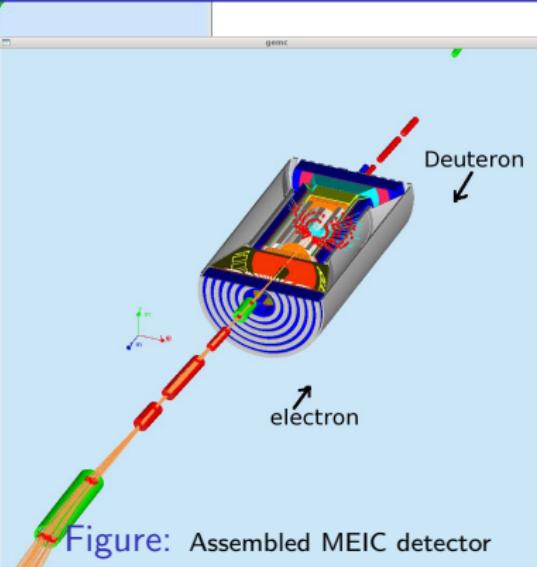
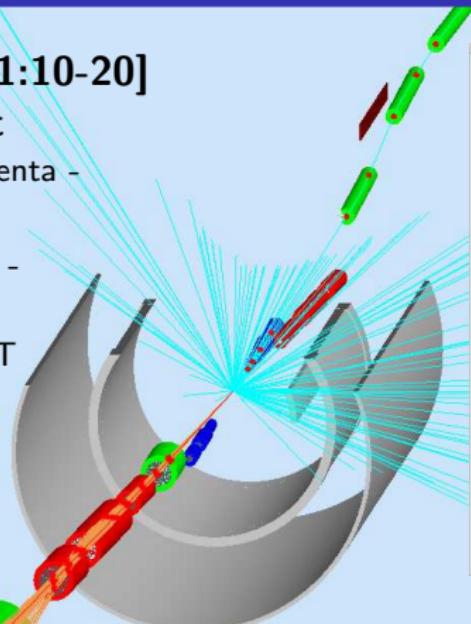


Figure: Assembled MEIC detector

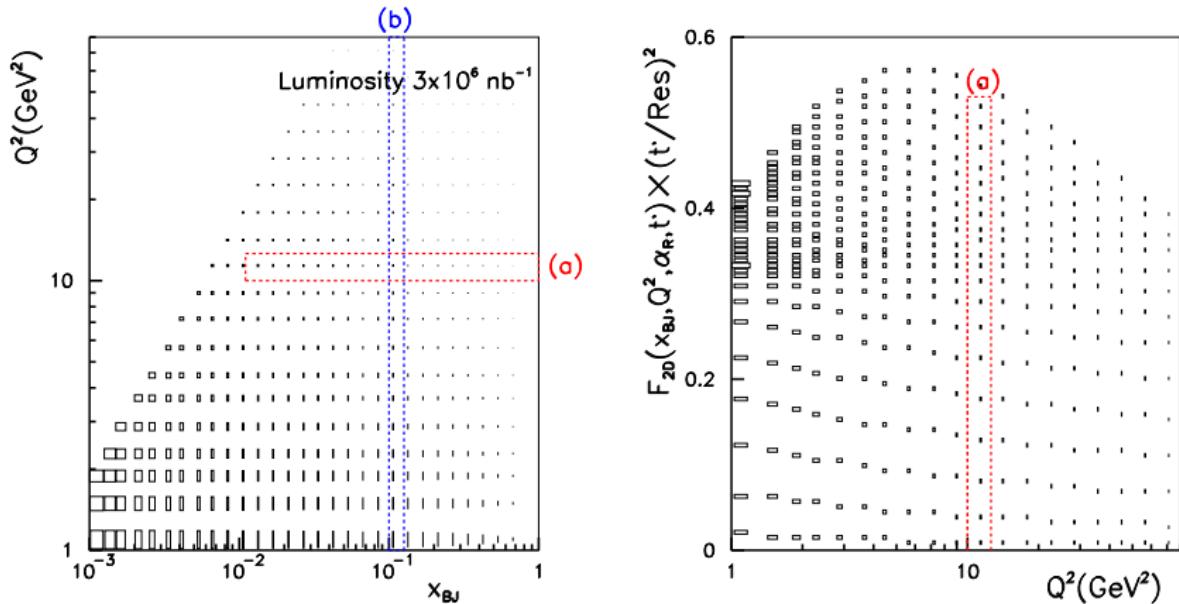
### • Far-forward Detector in EIC

- Good acceptance for all ion fragments - rigidity different from beam
- Good acceptance for low- $p_T$  recoils - rigidity similar to beam
- Good momentum and angular resolution

[Far-forward detectors, Talk by C. Hyde]

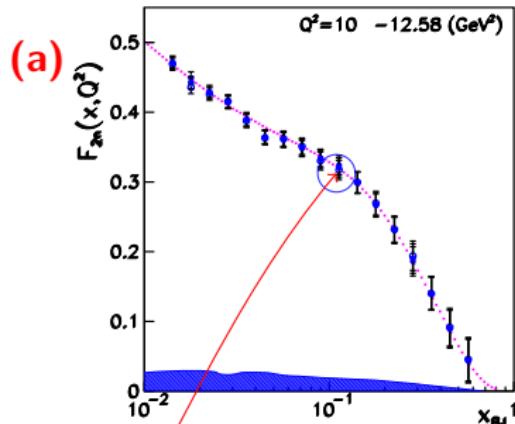
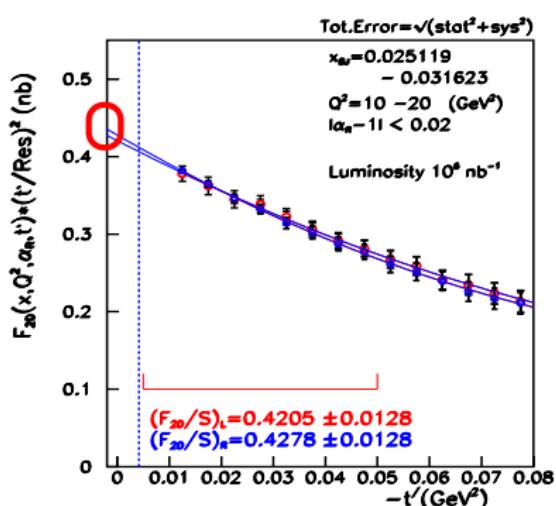
# On-shell extrapolation $F_{2n}$ in the grid of $x_{BJ}$ , $Q^2$

- $E_e = 5 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $E_D = 100 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ ,  $\mathcal{T} = 3 \times 10^6 \text{ s}$
- 10 bins per decade in  $x_{BJ}$ ,  $Q^2$
- Cross-section weighted in each bin



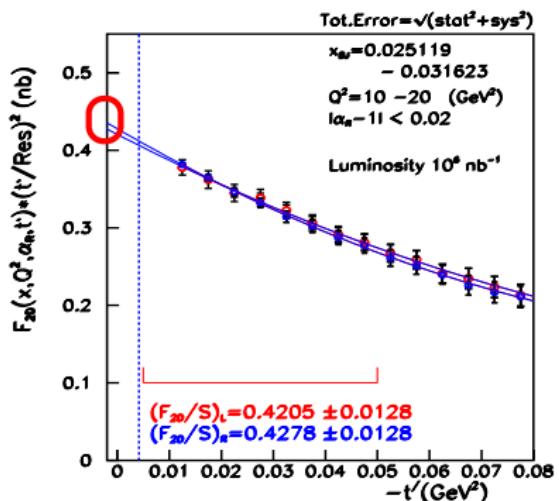
**Figure:** (Left) Kinematic map of  $F_{2n}$  ( $\hat{z}$ -axis) in terms of  $x_{BJ}$ ,  $Q^2$ , (right)  $F_{2n}$  vs.  $Q^2$ . Band-(a):  $x_{BJ}$  dependence at fixed  $Q^2 = 10.0 - 12.58 \text{ GeV}^2$ , band-(b):  $Q^2$  dependence at fixed  $x_{BJ} = 0.1 - 0.126$

# Unpolarized $(e, D) \rightarrow F_{2n}(x, Q^2)$

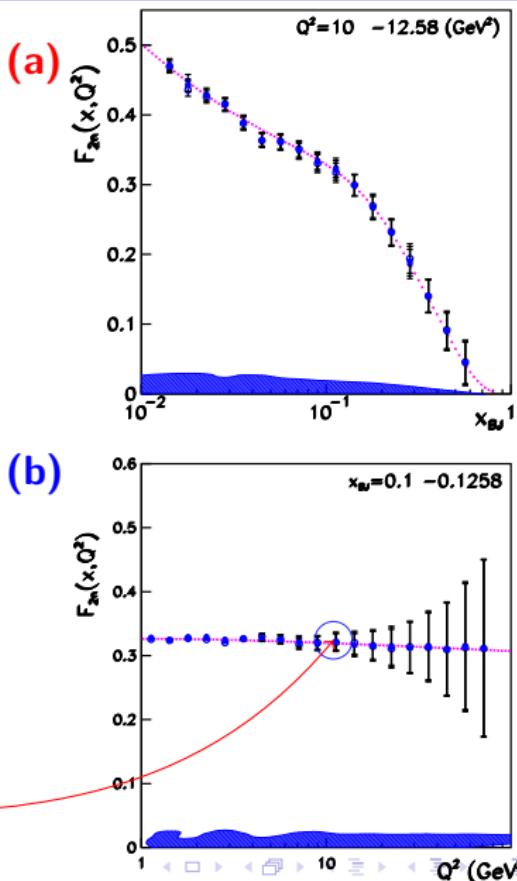


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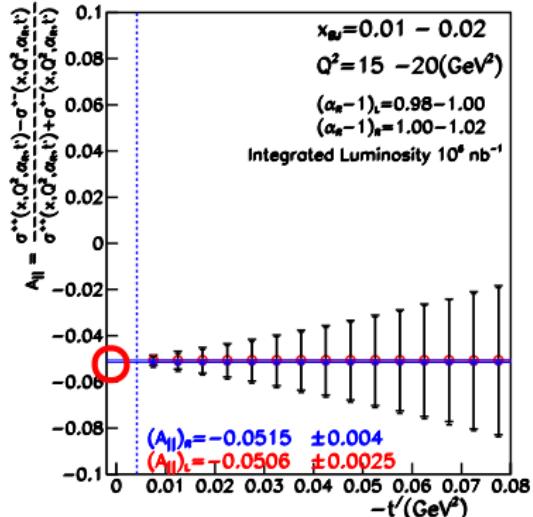
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# Polarized ( $\vec{e}, \vec{D}$ ), $hel = \pm 1$ along each beam



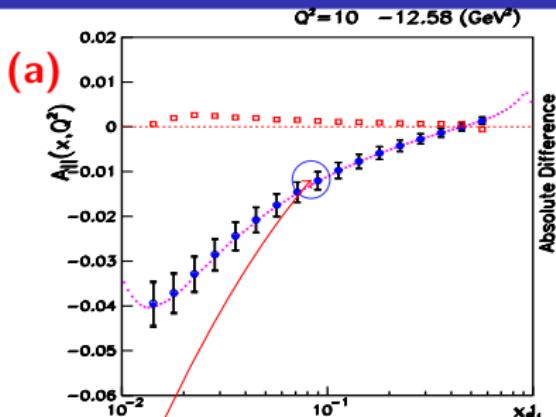
- Asymmetry ( $A_{\parallel}^n$ );

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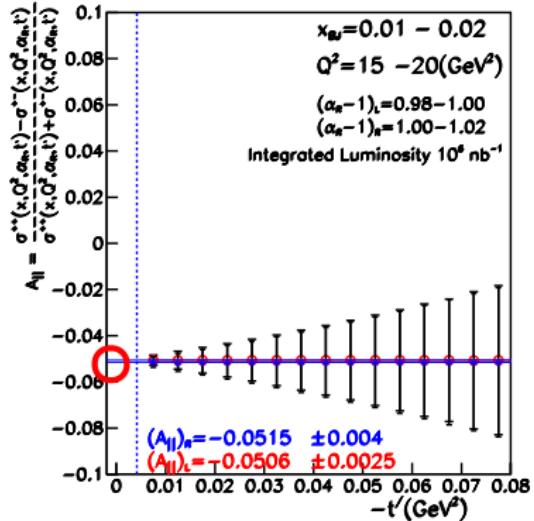
- Depolarization ( $D'$ );  $= \frac{(1-\epsilon)(2-y)}{y(1+\epsilon R)}$ , where

$$y = Q^2/x_D/(s_{eD} - M_D^2), \quad R = \sigma_L/\sigma_T$$

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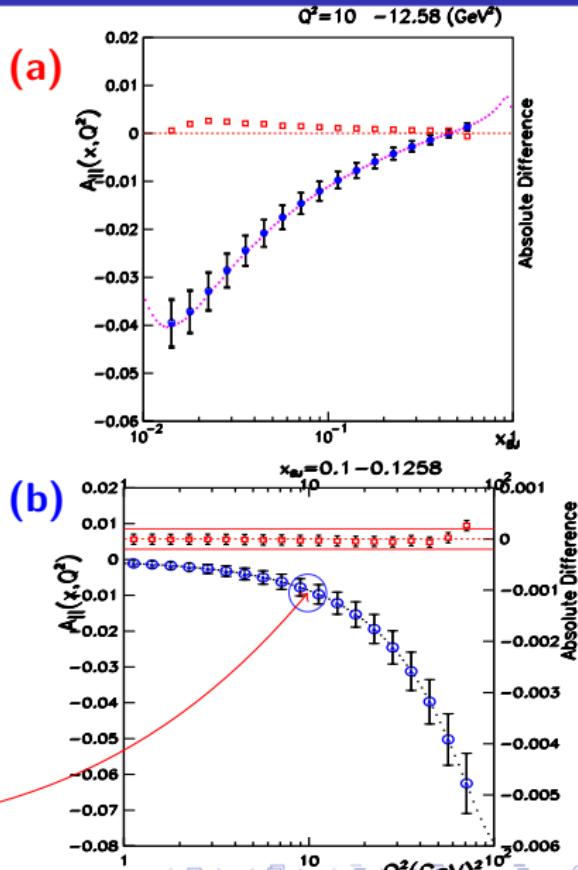


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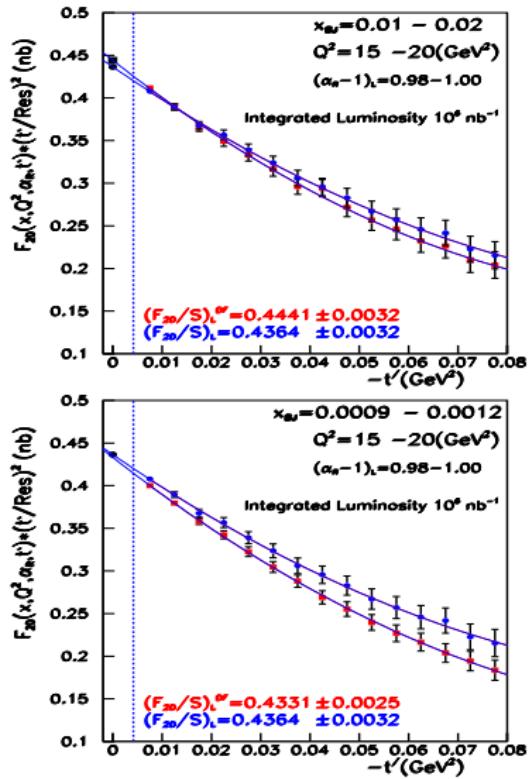
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# Tagging: Coherent Effects (e.g.: Shadowing correction)

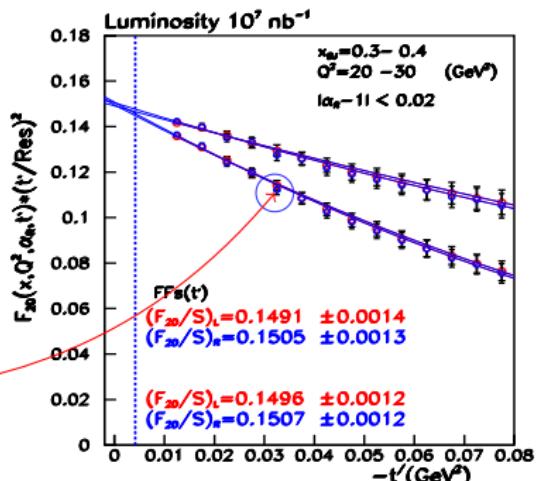


- Coherence in Tagged DIS
  - Coherent effect is clean (e.g.  $N = 2$ )
  - FSI between  $p$  and  $n \rightarrow$  distortion of  $p_T$ , spin
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- **Kinematics I:** (top-left)  
 $x_{BJ} = 0.01 - 0.02$ ,  
 $Q^2 = 15 - 20 \text{ GeV}^2$
  - Diffractive effect shows a **stronger impact in larger  $t'$**   
-9% at  $t' = 0.08 \text{ GeV}^2$ , +1% at  $t' = 0.01 \text{ GeV}^2$
  - With diffrac.(red), without diffrac.(blue)
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- **Kinematics II:** (bottom-left)  
 $x_{BJ} = 0.0009 - 0.0012$ ,  
 $Q^2 = 15 - 20 \text{ GeV}^2$
  - Diffractive effect shows a **stronger impact in lower  $x_{BJ}$**   
-19% at  $t' = 0.08 \text{ GeV}^2$ , -1.8% at  $t' = 0.01 \text{ GeV}^2$

[Vadim's shadowing corrections]

# Tagging: EMC effect

- EMC effect in tagged DIS
- Study modification as function of recoil momentum → off-shellness
- EIC :  $Q^2$ -evolution, spin dependence with pol.  $D$
- $x_{BJ} = 0.3 - 0.4$ ,  $Q^2 = 20 - 30 \text{ GeV}^2$ , two  $\alpha_R$  cuts
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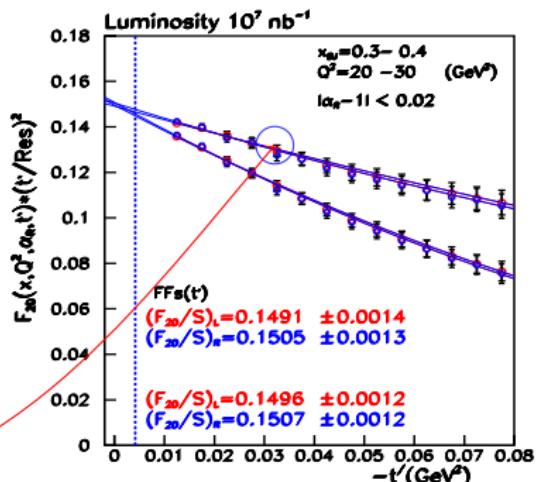


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\*\* Given statistical uncertainty, observation of EMC effect is feasible ! \*\*



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# Summary

- Developed Spectator Tagging Event Generator MC with EIC configuration
- On-shell extrapolation of  $F_{2n}$  &  $A_{||}$  have been obtained
- Overall 1% level of statistical uncertainty
  - 10 bins per decade in  $x_{BJ}$ ,  $Q^2$  and  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{33} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- Global systematic uncertainty  $\delta\sigma/\sigma = 2.5\%$ ,  $\delta A/A = 1.7\%$ 
  - point-to-point: (Gaussian random)  $\sim 0.5\%$
- Spectator Tagging Event Generator and Physics models are available for detector simulations
  - <https://www.jlab.org/theory/tag/>
  - <https://github.com/JeffersonLab/LightIonEIC>