

# JLab Hall C Neutron $A_1^n$ Experiment

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- How does nucleon spin study fit in QCD/strong interaction study?
- High x spin physics and the upcoming  $A_1^n$  experiment in Hall C of JLab
- Summary and outlook

# How does Nucleon Spin Physics Contribute to QCD/Strong Interaction Study? - Theoretical Aspect

- To understand the compositeness - how do partons form the nucleon spin? - **the proton spin crisis/puzzle**
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Lepton scattering spin structure experiments (mostly inclusive):

Experiment	Ref.	Target	Analysis	$W$ (GeV)	$x_{Bj}$	$Q^2$ (GeV <sup>2</sup> )
E80 (SLAC)	[101]	p	$A_1$	2.1 to 2.6	0.2 to 0.33	1.4 to 2.7
E130 (SLAC)	[102]	p	$A_1$	2.1 to 4.0	0.1 to 0.5	1.0 to 4.1
EMC (CERN)	[103]	p	$A_1$	5.9 to 15.2	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$ to 0.47	3.5 to 29.5
SMC (CERN)	[250]	p, d	$A_1$	7.7 to 16.1	$10^{-4}$ to 0.482	0.02 to 57
E142 (SLAC)	[244]	<sup>3</sup> He	$A_1, A_2$	2.7 to 5.5	$3.6 \times 10^{-2}$ to 0.47	1.1 to 5.5
E143 (SLAC)	[245]	p, d	$A_1, A_2$	1.1 to 6.4	$3.1 \times 10^{-2}$ to 0.75	0.45 to 9.5
E154 (SLAC)	[246, 247]	<sup>3</sup> He	$A_1, A_2$	3.5 to 8.4	$1.7 \times 10^{-2}$ to 0.57	1.2 to 15.0
E155/x (SLAC)	[248, 249]	p, d	$A_1, A_2$	3.5 to 9.0	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$ to 0.75	1.2 to 34.7
HERMES (DESY)	[253, 254]	p, <sup>3</sup> He	$A_1$	2.1 to 6.2	$2.1 \times 10^{-2}$ to 0.85	0.8 to 20
E94010 (JLab)	[256]	<sup>3</sup> He	$g_1, g_2$	1.0 to 2.4	$1.9 \times 10^{-2}$ to 1.0	0.019 to 1.2
EG1a (JLab)	[257]	p, d	$A_1$	1.0 to 2.1	$5.9 \times 10^{-2}$ to 1.0	0.15 to 1.8
RSS (JLab)	[258, 259]	p, d	$A_1, A_2$	1.0 to 1.9	0.3 to 1.0	0.8 to 1.4
COMPASS (CERN) DIS	[251]	p, d	$A_1$	7.0 to 15.5	$4.6 \times 10^{-3}$ to 0.6	1.1 to 62.1
COMPASS (CERN) low- $Q^2$	[280]	p, d	$A_1$	5.2 to 19.1	$4 \times 10^{-5}$ to $4 \times 10^{-2}$	0.001 to 1.
EG1b (JLab)	[260, 261, 262, 263]	p, d	$A_1$	1.0 to 3.1	$2.5 \times 10^{-2}$ to 1.0	0.05 to 4.2
E99-117 (JLab)	[264]	<sup>3</sup> He	$A_1, A_2$	2.0 to 2.5	0.33 to 0.60	2.7 to 4.8
E99-107 (JLab)	[265]	<sup>3</sup> He	$g_1, g_2$	2.0 to 2.5	0.16 to 0.20	0.57 to 1.34
E01-012 (JLab)	[266, 267]	<sup>3</sup> He	$g_1, g_2$	1.0 to 1.8	0.33 to 1.0	1.2 to 3.3
E97-110 (JLab)	[268]	<sup>3</sup> He	$g_1, g_2$	1.0 to 2.6	$2.8 \times 10^{-3}$ to 1.0	0.006 to 0.3
EG4 (JLab)	[269]	p, n	$g_1$	1.0 to 2.4	$7.0 \times 10^{-3}$ to 1.0	0.003 to 0.84
SANE (JLab)	[271]	p	$A_1, A_2$	1.4 to 2.8	0.3 to 0.85	2.5 to 6.5
EG1dves (JLab)	[270]	p	$A_1$	1.0 to 3.1	$6.9 \times 10^{-2}$ to 0.63	0.61 to 5.8
E06-014 (JLab)	[272, 273]	<sup>3</sup> He	$g_1, g_2$	1.0 to 2.9	0.25 to 1.0	1.9 to 6.9
E06-010/011 (JLab)	[278]	<sup>3</sup> He	single spin asy.	2.4 to 2.9	0.16 to 0.35	1.4 to 2.7
E07-013 (JLab)	[72]	<sup>3</sup> He	single spin asy.	1.7 to 2.9	0.16 to 0.65	1.1 to 4.0
E08-027 (JLab)	[309]	p	$g_1, g_2$	1. to 2.1	$3.0 \times 10^{-3}$ to 1.0	0.02 to 0.4

JLab's focus is high precision, low to intermediate  $Q^2$  values, and high  $x$

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focus of this talk

# Upcoming Experiments

The A1n and d2n experiments are scheduled to run in Fall 2019 and Spring 2020, using the polarized  $^3\text{He}$  target in Hall C. These will be the first experiments to use the stage-I upgraded target after the 12 GeV upgrade of JLab

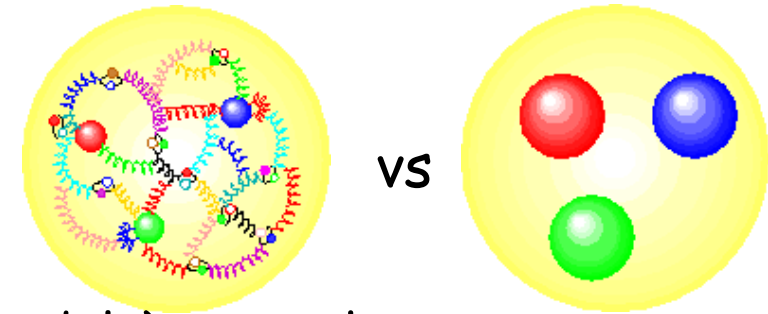
Similar proton measurements will be carried out in Hall B (CLAS12), using an upgraded  $\text{NH}_3/\text{ND}_3$  target. It will likely run in or after 2021.

# Nucleon (*spin*) Structure at High $x_{Bj}$

- We need structure function measurements for which QCD can make absolute predictions!

## The far valence domain ( $x > 0.5$ )

- involve only valence quarks
- is the only domain where QCD (and many other models) can make absolute predictions for (the ratio of) structure functions
- “the ratio of structure functions at  $x \rightarrow 1$  provide unambiguous, scale invariant, non-perturbative features of QCD”

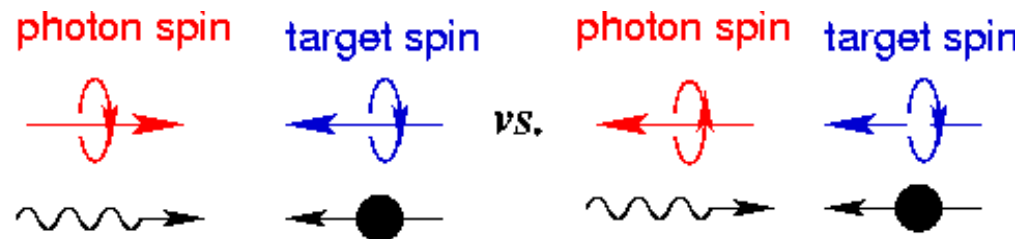


★  $F_2^p / F_2^n$  and  $d/u$

★  $A_1^p, A_1^n$ , or  $\Delta u/u$  and  $\Delta d/d$

$$A_1 = \frac{\sigma_{1/2} - \sigma_{3/2}}{\sigma_{1/2} + \sigma_{3/2}}$$

$$A_1 = \frac{g_1 - \gamma^2 g_2}{F_1} \approx \frac{g_1}{F_1} \quad \text{at large } Q^2$$



$$\gamma^2 = \frac{Q^2}{v^2} = \frac{4M^2 x^2}{Q^2}$$

# Predictions for $A_1$ and $\Delta q/q$ at large $x$

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hyperfine interaction: the two quarks in the spectator diquark prefer to form a  $S=0$  to a  $S=1$  state.

- based on nucleon-Delta mass splitting, etc.

- but the breaking of  $SU(6)$  may not be that big.

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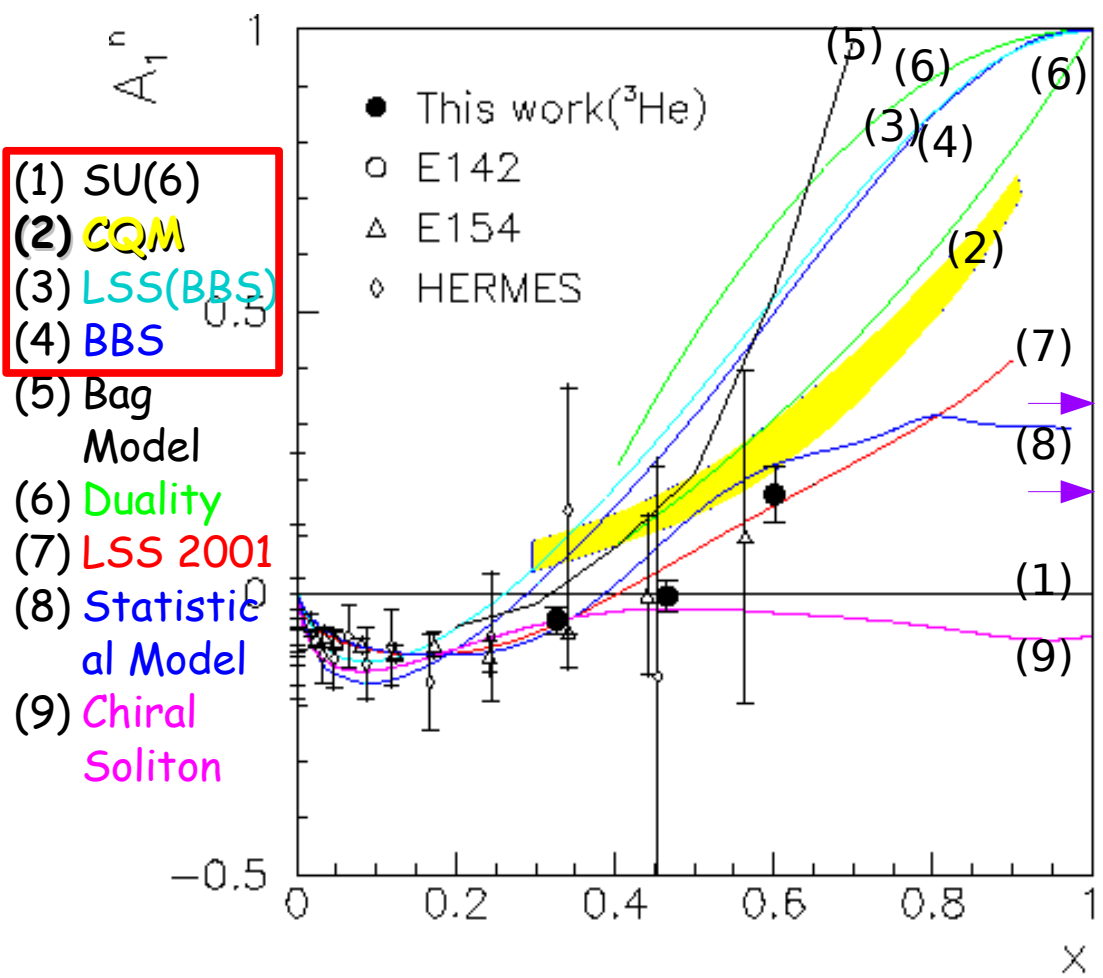
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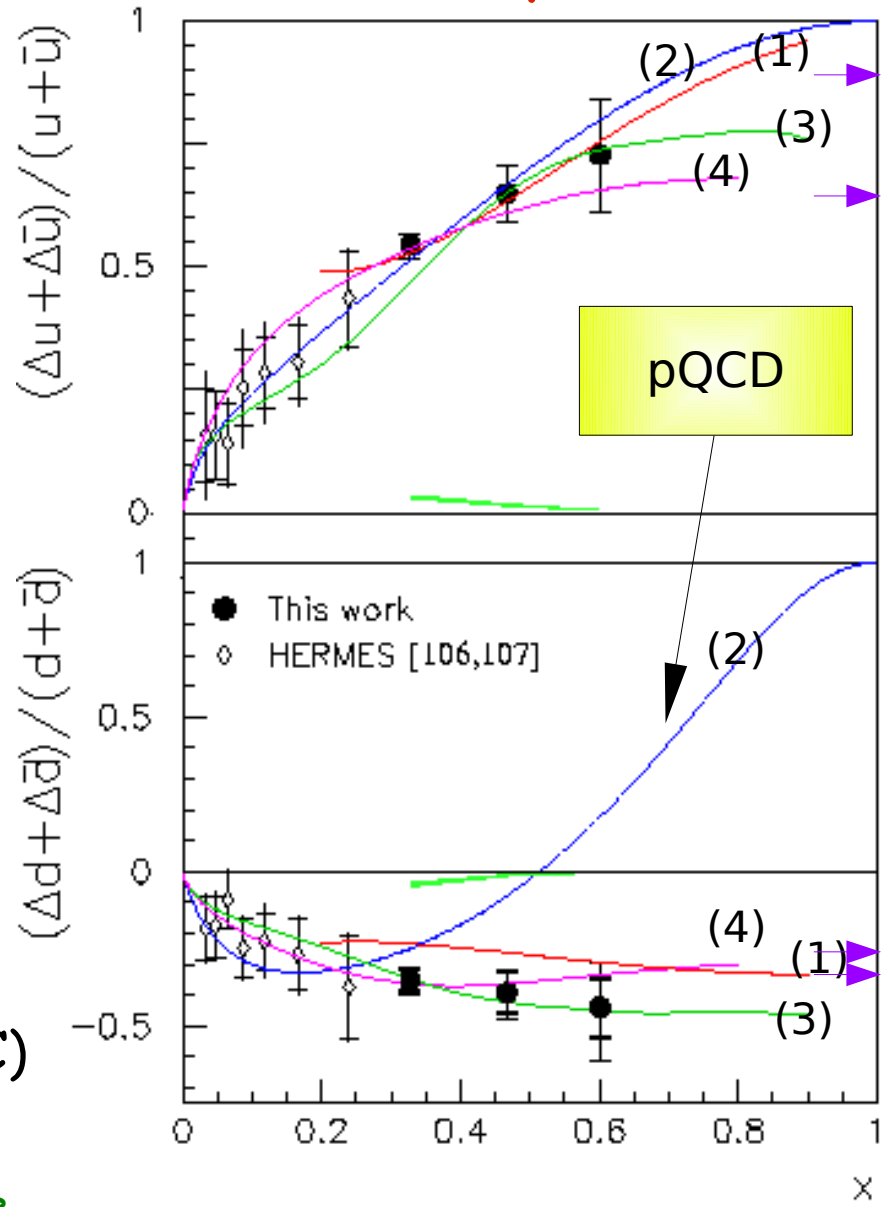


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# The 6 GeV Hall A Measurement (21 PAC days, 2001)



(Deuteron data not shown: E143, E155, SMC)

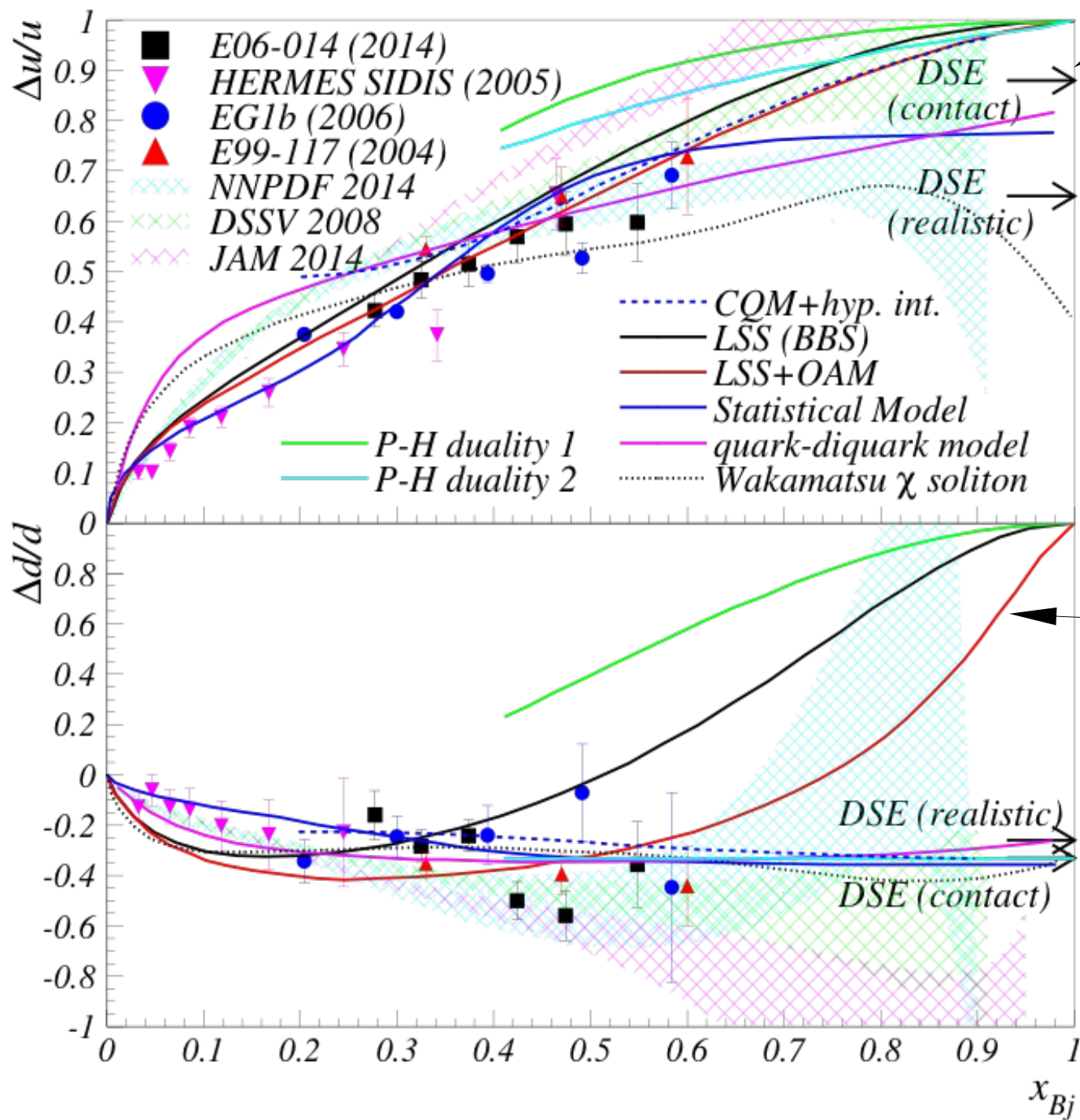


(1) CQM (2) LSS(BBS): pQCD+HHC  
 (3) Statistical Model (4) LSS 2001

E99117 spokespeople: Jianping Chen, Zein-Eddine Mezziane, Paul Souder;  
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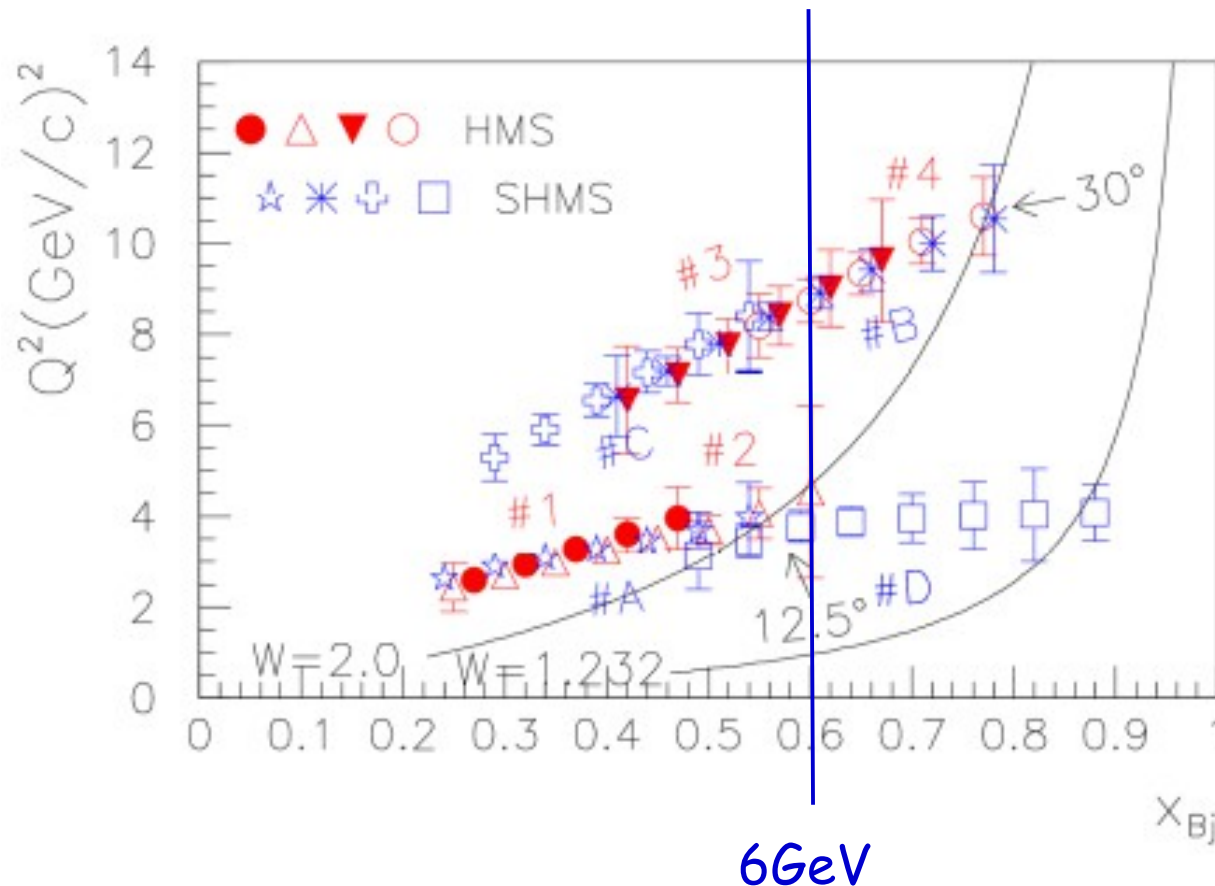
now added quark OAM, but  $\Delta d/d$  still must be 1 at  $x=1$

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- ✓ need higher energy to reach high  $x$  → JLab 12 GeV upgrade
- ✓ Even smaller  $x$ -section → polarized  $^3\text{He}$  target upgrade.

# Reaching Deeper Valence Quarks Region with 12 GeV

## 12 GeV $A_1^n$ in Hall C

- First proposed in 2006 (simplified simulation), rated as high-impact in 2009;
- 30  $\mu$ A 11 GeV polarized beam on 20-cm long polarized  $^3\text{He}$  target ( $\sim 10$ atm)
- HMS and SHMS detect scattered electrons independently



CLAS12 Kinematics

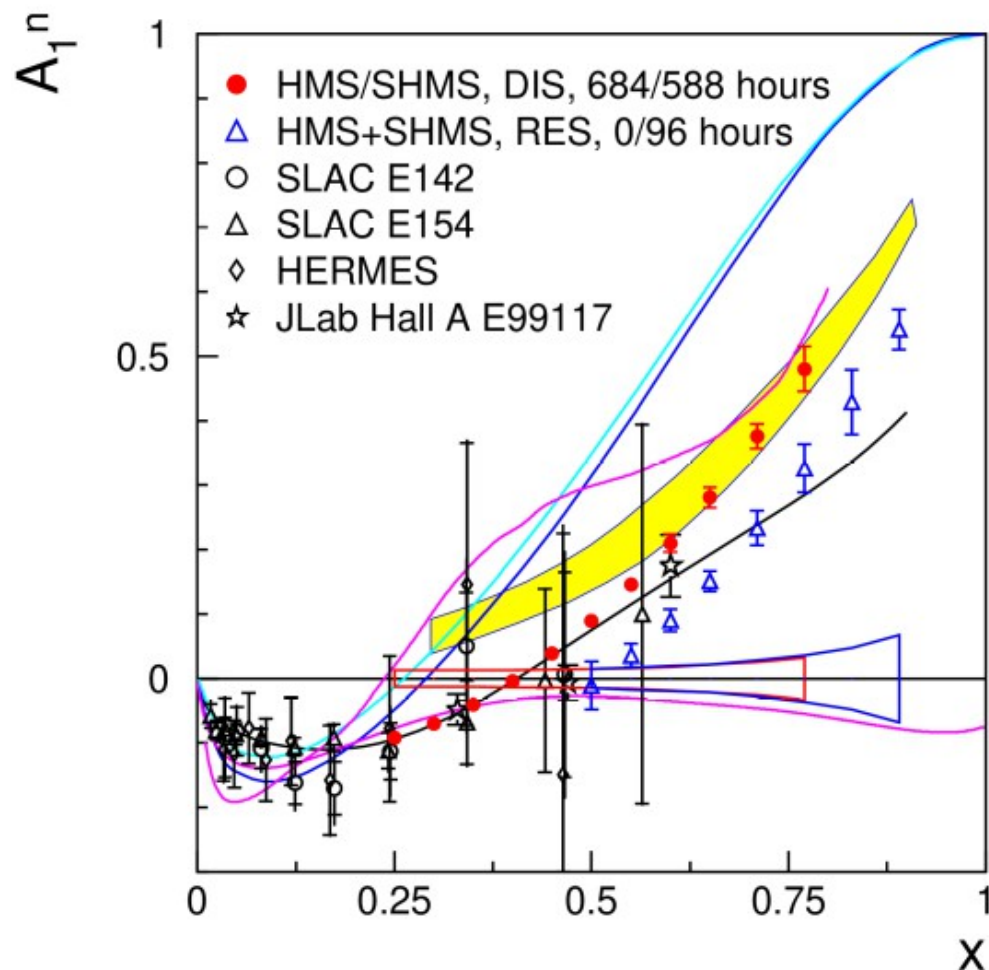
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# Expected Results

CLAS12 with 80 days

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Hall C with 36 "PAC" days  
assuming Pb=85%, Ptarg=55%



Spokespeople: Gordon Cates, JP Chen,  
Zein-Eddine Mezianni, X. Zheng;

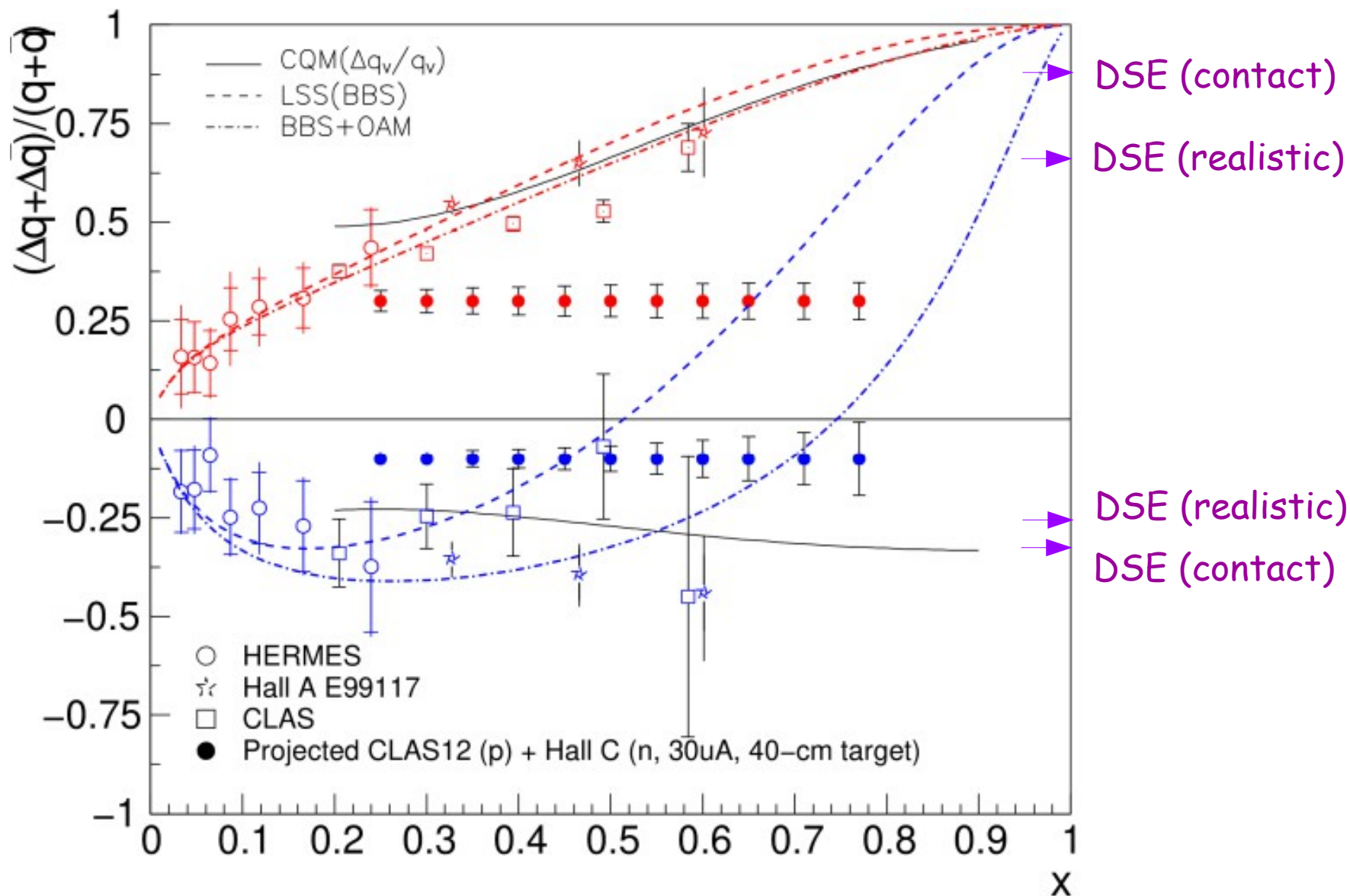
Ph.D. students: Mingyu Chen (UVA),  
Melanie Rehfuss (Temple);

Postdocs: Arun Tadepalli (JLab), Jixie  
Zhang (UVA) + others

CLAS12 proton  
expected results:

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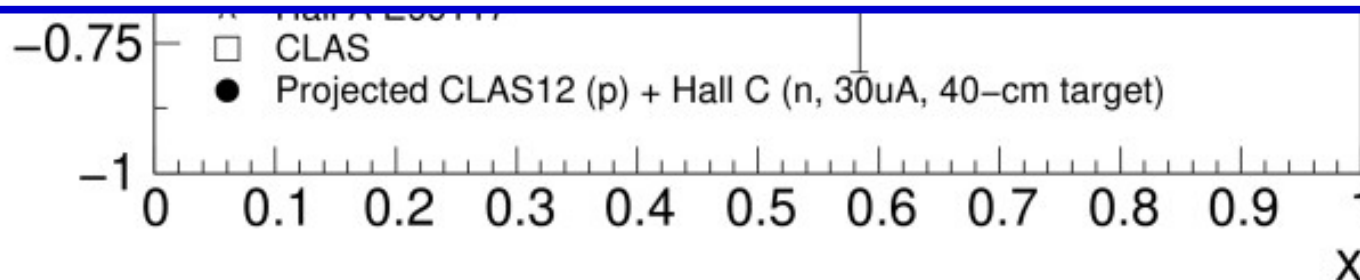
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For 6 GeV we used (simple) QPM to extract quark polarization from A1n and A1p.

When we first submitted the draft paper to PRL in 2003, one of the reviewers commented “should publish only the measured results”, and “leave extraction of polarized PDFs to theorists.” We pressed on and fortunately published both plots.

But for 12 GeV we will enlist help from JLab theory group in the extraction, perhaps first using a fit to proton extrapolated to high x.



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I happened to have a phone conversation with one of my theorist friends one day. It went like this:

Th: “how are you doing? What are you working on these days?”

Me: “going slow, nobody has time to do anything while teaching, but A1n is coming up online this year.”

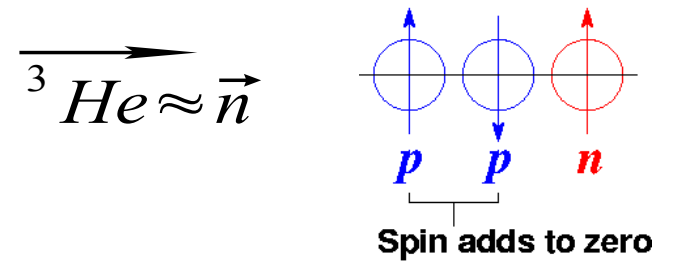
Th: “Oh really? So you are going to see delta d/d turning positive?”

Me: “Why? We need to measure it. What if it stays negative? I have a feeling it will.”

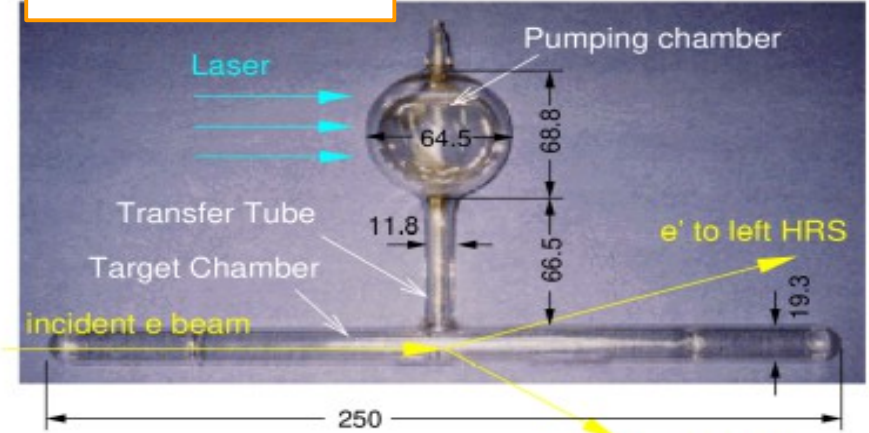
Th: “No it can't. If it doesn't turn positive we will all be in trouble...”

I have since wondered what kind of trouble we will be in.

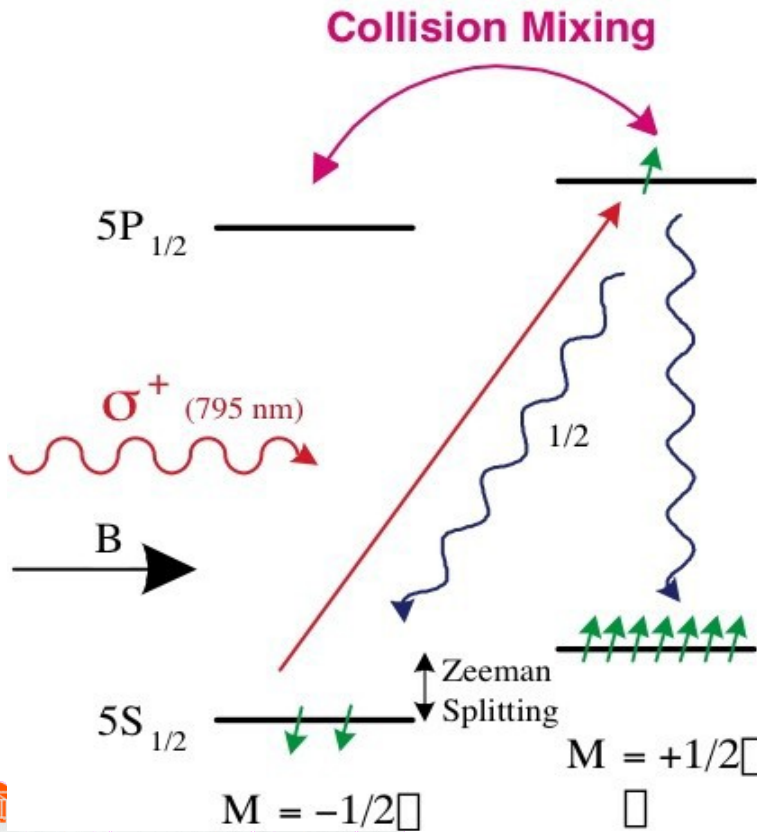
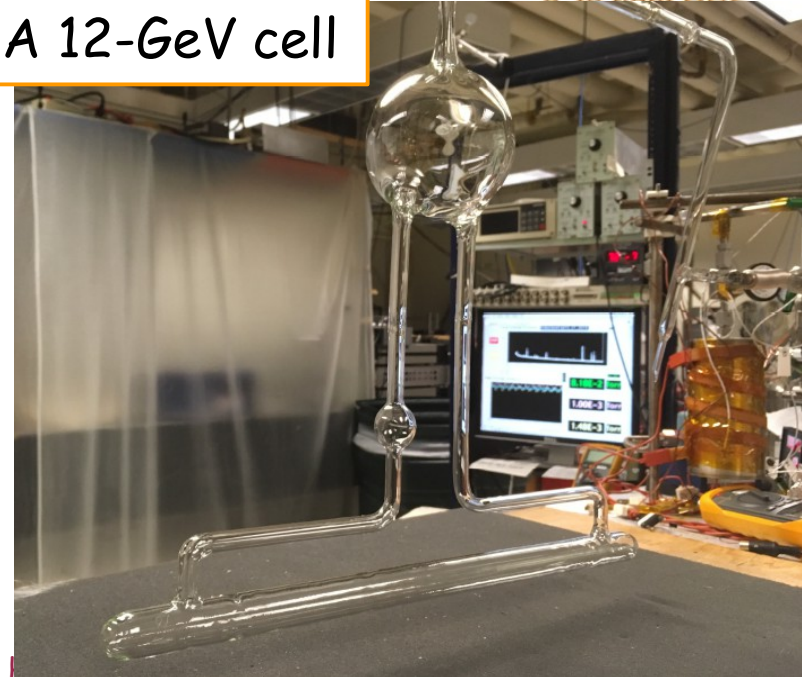
# Polarized $^3\text{He}$ Target



A 6-GeV cell



A 12-GeV cell





# Stage-I Polarized $^3\text{He}$ Target Upgrade

Polarized  $^3\text{He}$  target using spin-exchange optical pumping (SEOP) technique;

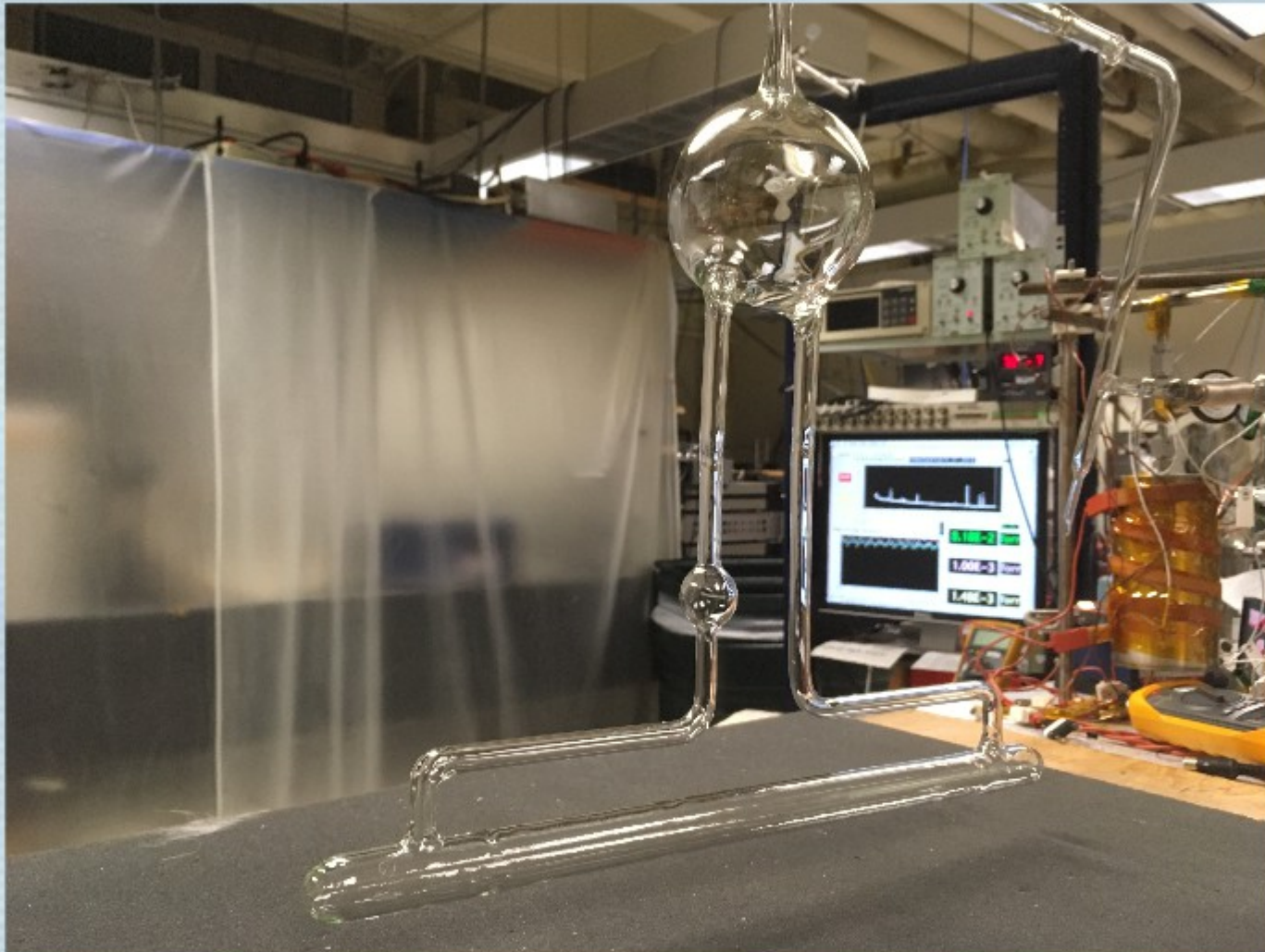
6 GeV era: reached 55%, 15 $\mu\text{A}$ , 40cm, 10amg;

11 GeV era:

stage I upgrade: 55% in beam , 30 $\mu\text{A}$ , 40cm, 10amg; (Hall C A1n/d2n)

stage II upgrade: 60% in beam, 60 $\mu\text{A}$ , 40cm, 10amg; (SBS GEn)

# First production $A_1^n$ target: Savior



On the gas system prior to being filled.

# Current Target Cell Status for A1n/d2n

Cell name	Birthday (fill date)	cold spin down lifetime (hrs)	Max polarization (UVa); ? (JLab)	Expected in-beam polarization	Current status
Savior (?)	2016	42 (UVa); 28 (JLab)	65% (UVa); ? (JLab)	60% → ?	possible laser damage, back to UVa for re-testing
Fulla	9/7/2019	17 (UVa); 15 (JLab)	53% (UVa); 54% (JLab)	50%	in oven at JLab, finishing up
Brianna	3/27/2019	23 (UVa)	53% (UVa)	48%	possible laser damage
Flurence	9/28/2018	11 (UVa)	45% (UVa)	44%	

Other cells made: Elle, Sandy-II, Phoenix, Zoe;

Both UVa and W&M groups making new cells around the clock;

Cell testing around the clock for the past weeks (JLab, UVa Gordon Cates' group);

Will start moving the target into Hall C on Monday;

# Summary and Outlook

- The upcoming (2019-2020)  $A_1$  experiments in Hall C (neutron) will venture into a deeper valence quark region.
- Four Ph.D. students committed to two experiments  $A_1n+d_2n$ . Three have been working on the target for 2-3 years. In addition Chris Jantz UVa will be the Ph.D. student focusing on target upgrade (cell making + testing).
- At the moment, we are preparing for target installation.
- Experiment planned to start before Thanksgiving 2019 with  $A_1n$  high  $x$ /high  $Q^2$  settings until ? Feb/March 2020 (with a 20-day break for X'mas + restore), then rotate the target coils, then run  $A_1n$  low  $x$ /low  $Q^2$  settings and  $d_2n$ . If all goes well, will run until May 2020.
- Shift schedule will be up later, please come take some shifts. Good food promised, and maybe even Turkey dinner!