

# Accessing Spin-1 Structure Functions and TMDs of the Deuteron



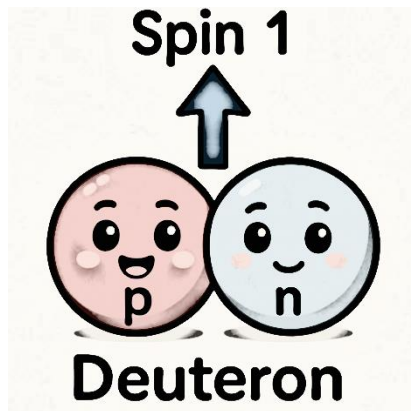
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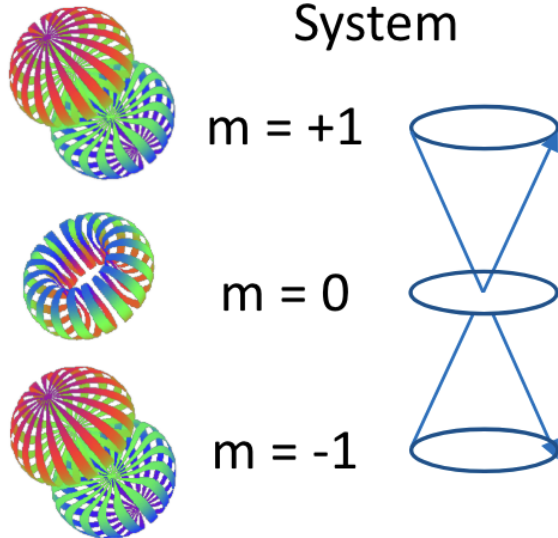
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On behalf of the SIDIS-Tensor collaboration





Spin-1  
System



Deuteron in a magnetic field

Vector Polarization:

$$P = N(+1) - N(-1)$$

Tensor Polarization:

$$Q = N(+1) + N(-1) - 2N(0)$$

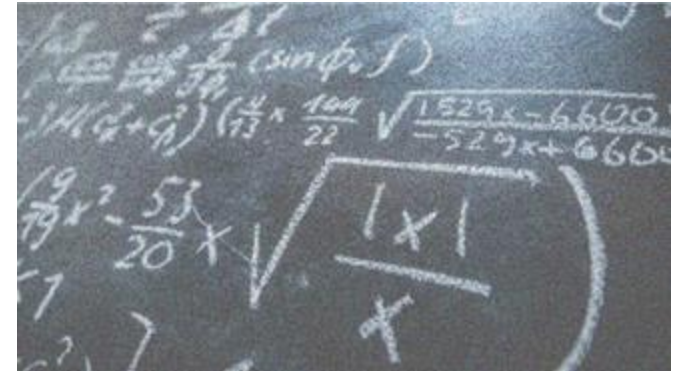
$N(m)$ : population density

$$N(+1) + N(-1) + N(0) = 1$$

Normalization

# Spin-1

## Theory developments



- Leading twist (thesis): [arXiv:hep-ph/0212025](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0212025)
- Leading twist: [Phys. Rev. D 62 \(2000\)](#)
- Polarized deuteron DIS with spectator tagging: [Phys. Rev. C 102, 065204 \(2020\)](#)
- Up to twist 4: [Phys. Rev. D 103 \(2021\)](#)
- Formalism and covariant calculations: [Phys. Rev. C 96, no.4, 045206 \(2017\)](#)

# Spin-1: Leading twist distribution functions

Quark Hadron	U ( $\gamma^+$ )		L ( $\gamma^+ \gamma_s$ )		T ( $i\sigma^{i+} \gamma_s / \sigma^{i+}$ )	
	T-even	T-odd	T-even	T-odd	T-even	T-odd
U	$f_1$					$[h_1^\perp]$
L			$g_{1L}$		$[h_{1L}^\perp]$	
T		$f_{1T}^\perp$	$g_{1T}$		$[h_1], [h_{1T}^\perp]$	
LL	$f_{1LL}$					$[h_{1LL}^\perp]$
LT	$f_{1LT}$			$g_{1LT}$		$[h_{1LT}^\perp], [h_{1LT}^\perp]$
TT	$f_{1TT}$			$g_{1TT}$		$[h_{1TT}^\perp], [h_{1TT}^\perp]$

After integration upon  $p_T$

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L			$g_{1L}(g_1)$			
T					$[h_1]$	
LL	$f_{1LL}(b_1)$					
LT						*1
TT						

$$S_{LL} = \frac{S_{LL}^+ + S_{LL}^-}{2} - S_{LL}^0$$

$$S_{LT}^x = \dots$$

$$S_{LT}^y = \dots$$

$$S_{TT}^{xy} = \dots$$

$$S_{TT}^{xx} = \dots$$

Arrows represent spin states  $m = +1$  and  $m = -1$  in the direction of the arrow itself, while dashed lines denote spin state  $m = 0$  again in the direction of the line itself

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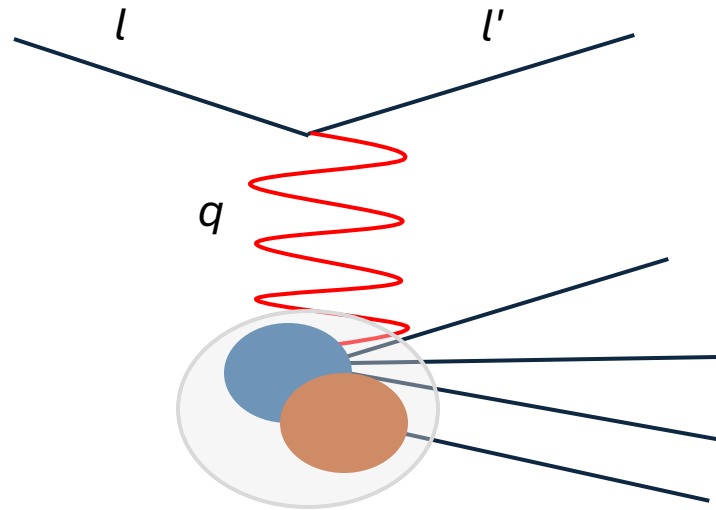
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- Only  $b_1$  has been measured by HERMES [Phys.Rev.Lett. 95 \(2005\)](#).
- A new measurement of  $b_1$  will be done at JLab ([E12-13-011](#)).

SIDIS spin-1 measurements open the door to a complete new set of observables that can tell us about color degrees of freedom and beyond standard hadron physics.

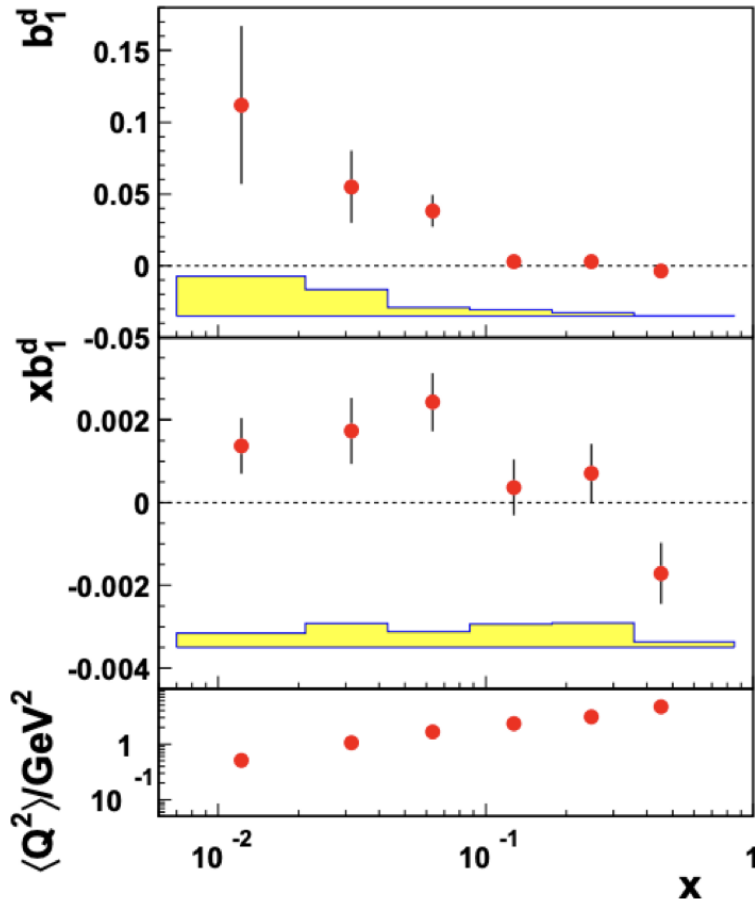


# Deep Inelastic Scattering



$b_1$  measurements (HERMES data and Future  
Jefferson Lab experiment)

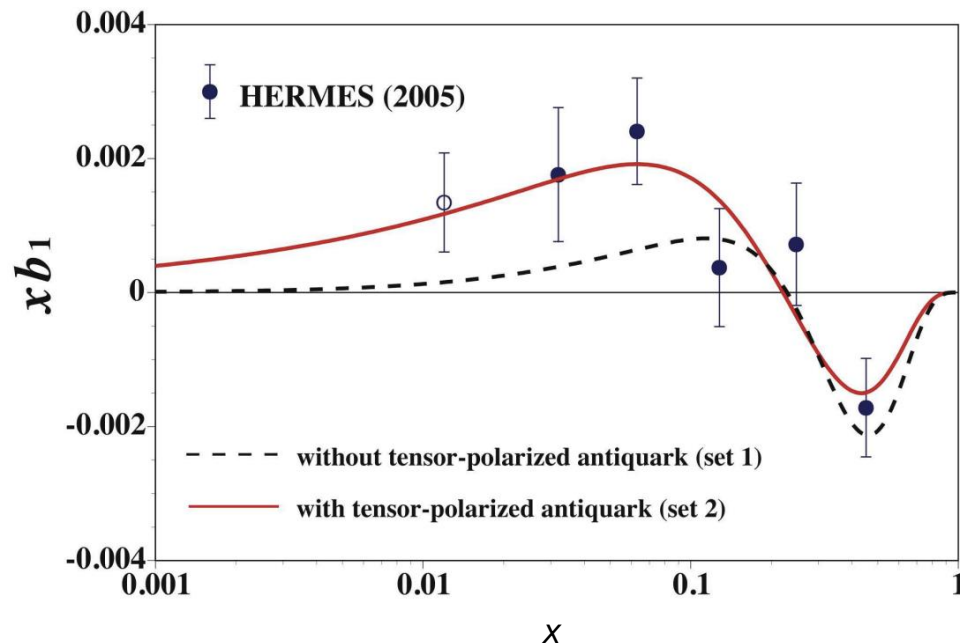
# HERMES Experiment: First Measurement of $b_1$



- 27.6 GeV/c positron beam of Hera
- $0.5 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2 < Q^2 < 5 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2$
- $0.01 < x < 0.45$
- Positrons in the momentum range of 2.5 GeV/c to 27 GeV/c
- The average target vector  $\mathcal{P}$  and tensor  $Q$  polarizations are typically more than 80%
- Polarized gas target (integrated luminosity  $42 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )
- *The rise of  $b_1$  for decreasing values of  $x$  can be interpreted to originate from the same mechanism that leads to nuclear shadowing in unpolarized scattering.*

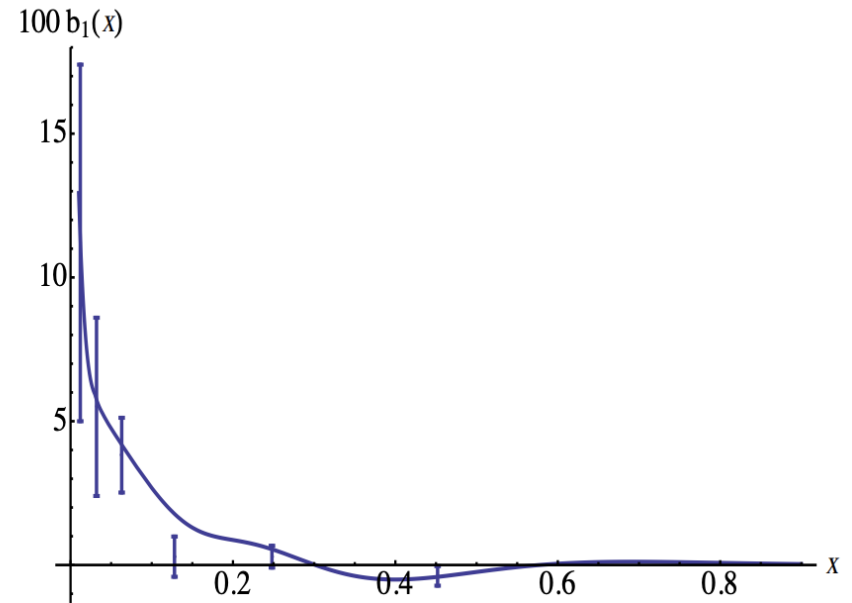
[Phys. Rev. Lett. 95, 242001\(2005\)](#)

# Theory predictions of $b_1$



We found that a significant antiquark tensor polarization exists if the overall tensor polarization vanishes for the valence quarks although such a result could depend on the assumed functional form. **Further experimental measurements are needed for  $b_1$ , such as at JLab as well as Drell-Yan measurements with tensor-polarized deuteron at hadron facilities, J-PARC and GSI-FAIR.**

[Phys. Rev. D 82, 017501 \(2010\)](#)



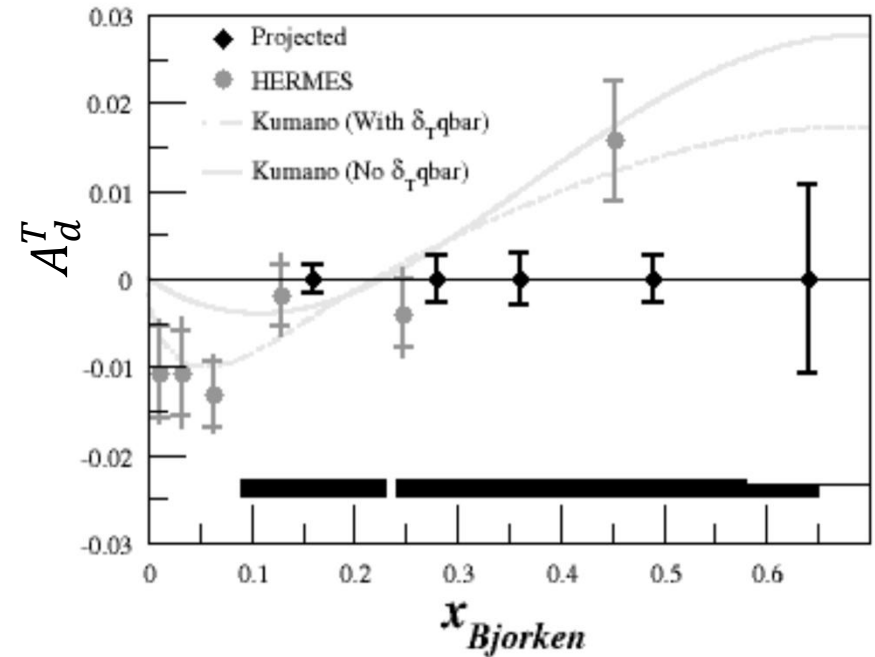
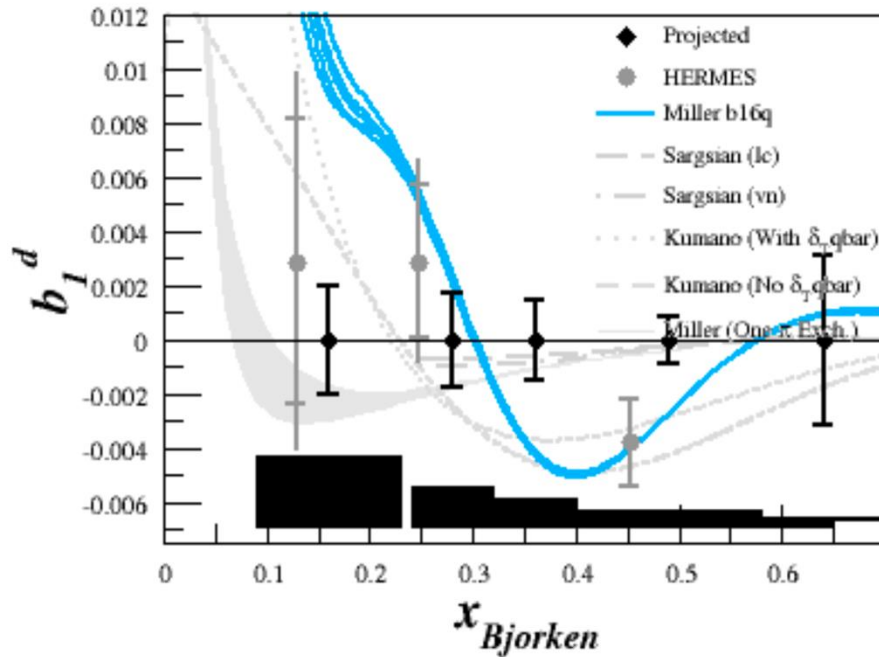
*Hidden-color model: six-quark configurations (with  $\sim 0.15\%$  probability to exist in the deuteron) proposed and found to give substantial contributions for values of  $x > 0.2$ .*

[Phys. Rev. C 89, 045203 \(2014\)](#)



# E12-13-011 Approved Experiment at Jefferson Lab

## Inclusive Measurement



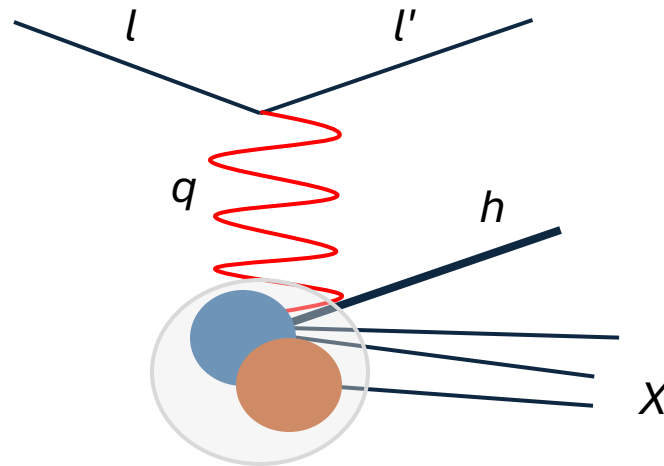
$$0.16 < x < 0.49$$

$$0.85 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2 < Q^2 < 5.05 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2$$

Incident beam (electrons):  $E = 11 \text{ GeV}$

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# Semi-Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering



Future measurements at Jefferson Lab

# Longitudinally polarized target

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\sigma}{dx dy d\psi dz d\phi_h dP_{h\perp}^2} &= \frac{\alpha^2}{xyQ^2} \frac{y^2}{2(1-\varepsilon)} \left( 1 + \frac{\gamma^2}{2x} \right) \\
 &\quad \left\{ F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon F_{UU,L} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \cos\phi_h F_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \varepsilon \cos(2\phi_h) F_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi_h} + \lambda_e \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \sin\phi_h F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + S_{\parallel} \left[ \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \sin\phi_h F_{UL}^{\sin\phi_h} + \varepsilon \sin(2\phi_h) F_{UL}^{\sin 2\phi_h} \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + S_{\parallel} \lambda_e \left[ \sqrt{1-\varepsilon^2} F_{LL} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \cos\phi_h F_{LL}^{\cos\phi_h} \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + T_{\parallel\parallel} \left[ F_{U(LL),T} + \varepsilon F_{U(LL),L} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \cos\phi_h F_{U(LL)}^{\cos\phi_h} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + \varepsilon \cos(2\phi_h) F_{U(LL)}^{\cos 2\phi_h} + \lambda_e \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \sin\phi_h F_{L(LL)}^{\sin\phi_h} \right] \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

,  $S_{\parallel}$  is the vector polarization, and  $T_{\parallel\parallel}$  is the tensor polarization of target in parallel to the virtual photon direction which are related with  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$  along the direction of electron beam

Courtesy of A. Bacchetta (2023).

# Tensor-polarized structure functions

$$F_{U(LL),T} = \mathcal{C}[f_{1LL} D_1],$$

$$F_{U(LL),L} = 0,$$

$$F_{U(LL)}^{\cos \phi_h} = \frac{2M}{Q} \mathcal{C} \left[ -\frac{\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{k}_T}{M_h} \left( x h_{LL} H_1^\perp + \frac{M_h}{M} f_{1LL} \frac{\tilde{D}^\perp}{z} \right) - \frac{\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{p}_T}{M} \left( x f_{LL}^\perp D_1 + \frac{M_h}{M} h_{1LL}^\perp \frac{\tilde{H}}{z} \right) \right],$$

$$F_{U(LL)}^{\cos 2\phi_h} = \mathcal{C} \left[ -\frac{2 (\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{k}_T) (\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{p}_T) - \mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{p}_T}{M M_h} h_{1LL}^\perp H_1^\perp \right],$$

$$F_{L(LL)}^{\sin \phi_h} = \frac{2M}{Q} \mathcal{C} \left[ -\frac{\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{k}_T}{M_h} \left( x e_{LL} H_1^\perp + \frac{M_h}{M} f_{1LL} \frac{\tilde{G}^\perp}{z} \right) + \frac{\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{p}_T}{M} \left( x g_{LL}^\perp D_1 + \frac{M_h}{M} h_{1LL}^\perp \frac{\tilde{E}}{z} \right) \right].$$

 Spin-1 leading twist

[Eur. Phys. J. A \(2025\) 61: 81](#)

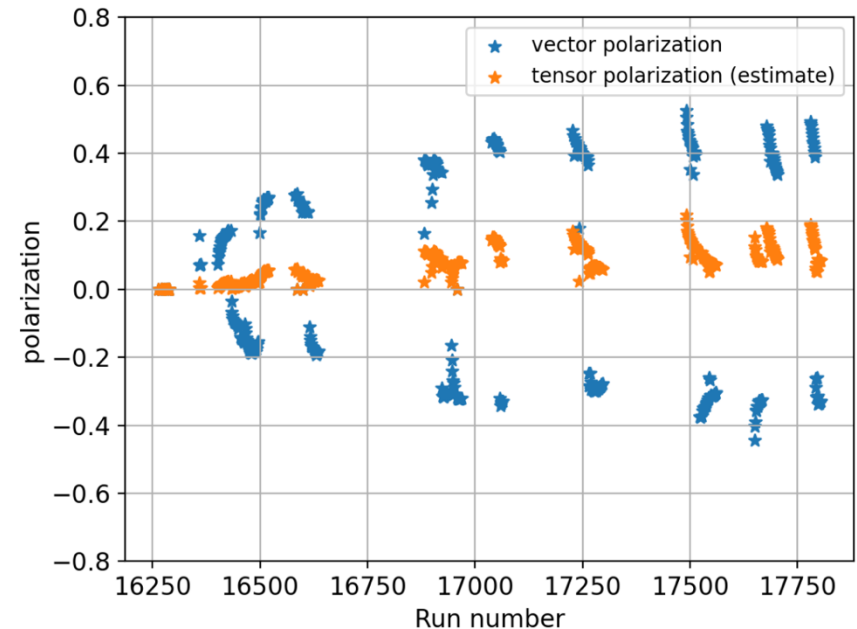
# Experimental Measurements

## Step 1: Exploratory measurement with CLAS12 data

Approved analysis with Run Group C of  
already taken data of ND<sub>3</sub>

## Run Group C at CLAS12:

- 8 experiments using the CLAS12 to study the multidimensional partonic structure of nucleons
- Longitudinally polarized electrons are scattered from polarized  $\text{ND}_3$  targets, dynamically polarized via DNP at 1 K in a 5 T magnetic field
- While the  $\text{ND}_3$  target is not optimized for tensor polarization, the DNP process induces a measurable tensor component, allowing for estimates of tensor structure function contributions relevant to the dedicated tensor measurements.



Courtesy: P Pandey

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# CAA: Spin 1 Transverse Momentum Dependent Tensor Structure Functions in CLAS12

## Data: Run Group C

Simplified version:

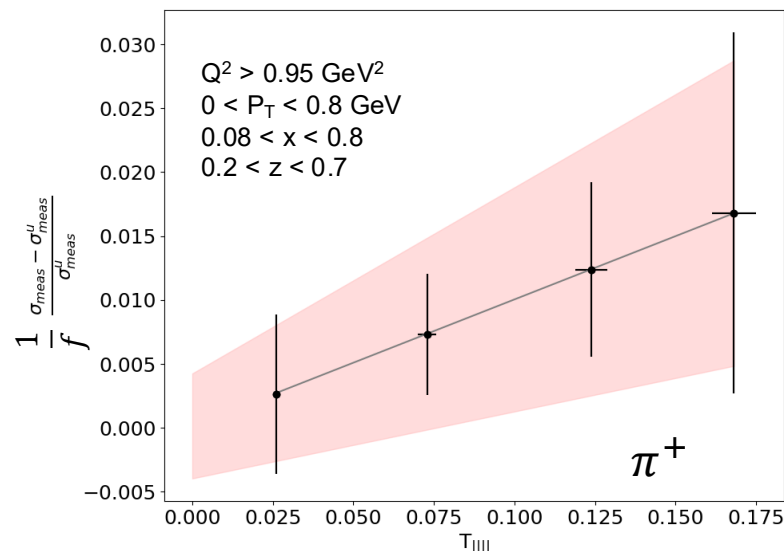
$$\sigma_{meas}^{total} = \overset{\text{Unpolarized}}{\sigma_u^D} + \underset{\text{Vector}}{\mathcal{P}\sigma_v} + \overset{\text{Tensor}}{\mathcal{Q}\sigma_T} + \sum \sigma_i$$

Other Nuclei  
(N, He, etc)

Summing over positive and negative vector polarization:

$$\frac{\sigma_T}{\sigma_u^D} = \frac{1}{f} \frac{\sigma_{meas}^{total} - \sigma_{meas}^u}{\sigma_{meas}^u}$$

$f$ : Dilution factor due to all other nuclei in the target sample  $\sigma_i$



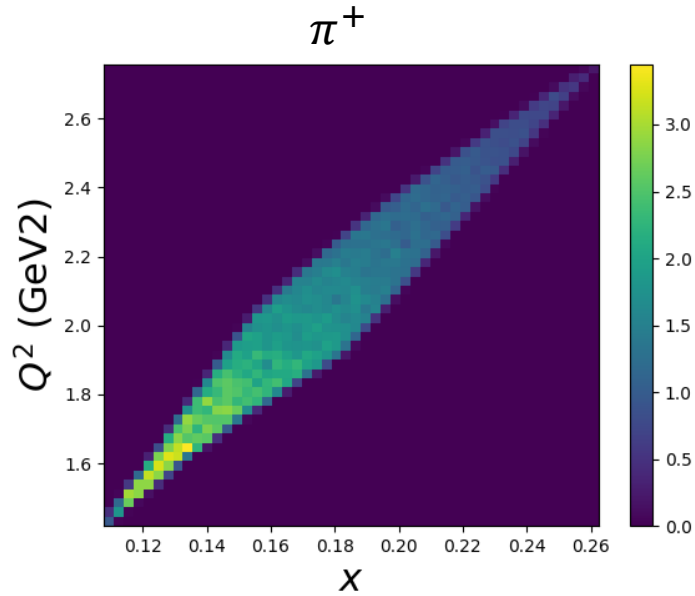
- This measurement will help to understand the tensor contribution.
- Currently assuming 10% of the unpolarized contribution as the inclusive measurement.
- Our predictions imply a 60% uncertainty.
- **Crucial to propose new experiments.**

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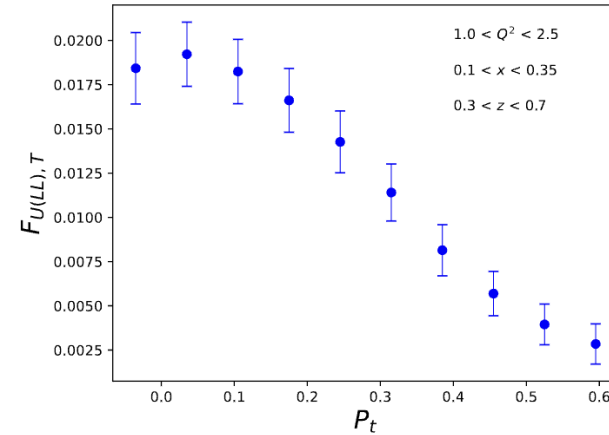
# **Experimental Measurements**

## **Step 2: Dedicated Measurement**

Letter of Intent (LOI) submitted to PAC 52 in  
Jefferson Lab



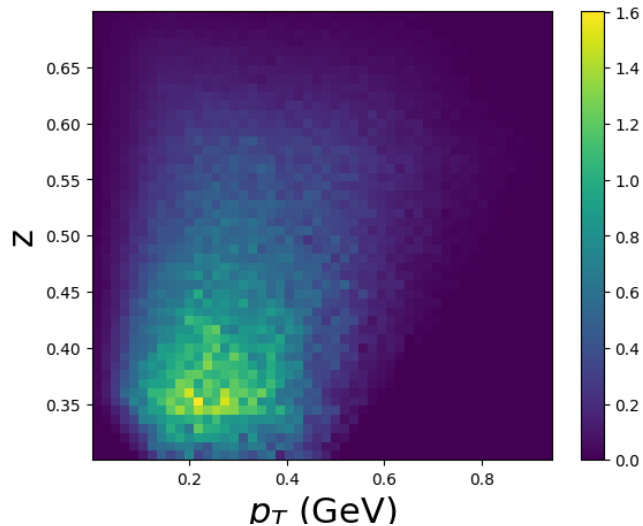
## LOI: Spin-1 TMDs and Structure Functions of the Deuteron



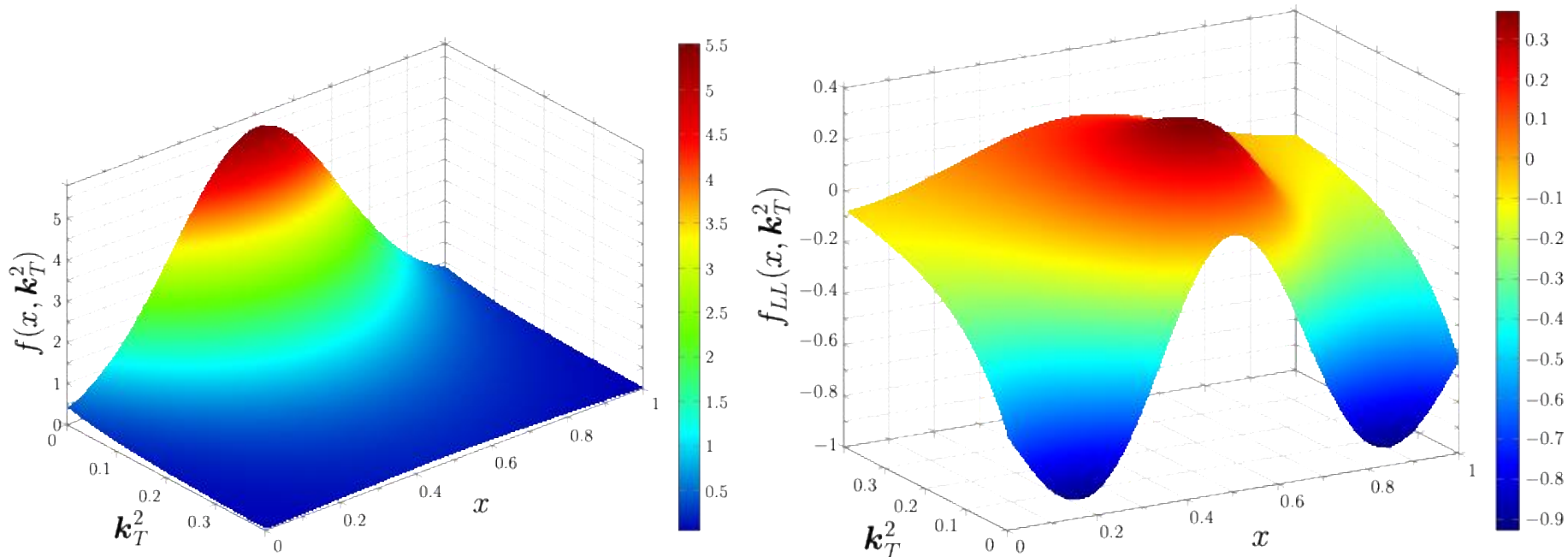
	$\theta$ (deg.)	$\phi$ (deg.)	P (GeV)
<b>Electron</b>	10.3 - 12.4	-2.87 - 2.87	4.0 - 5.4
<b>Hadron</b>	5.0 - 15.0	167 - 193	2.0 - 4.0

The kinematic ranges assumed for the chosen momentum setting in SHMS (electron) and SBS (hadron)

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## Currently incorporating covariant calculations



Spin-one  $\rho$  particle

Next: Deuteron

Tensor polarized TMDs may have surprising features

Courtesy of Ian Cloët

# **Experimental Measurements**

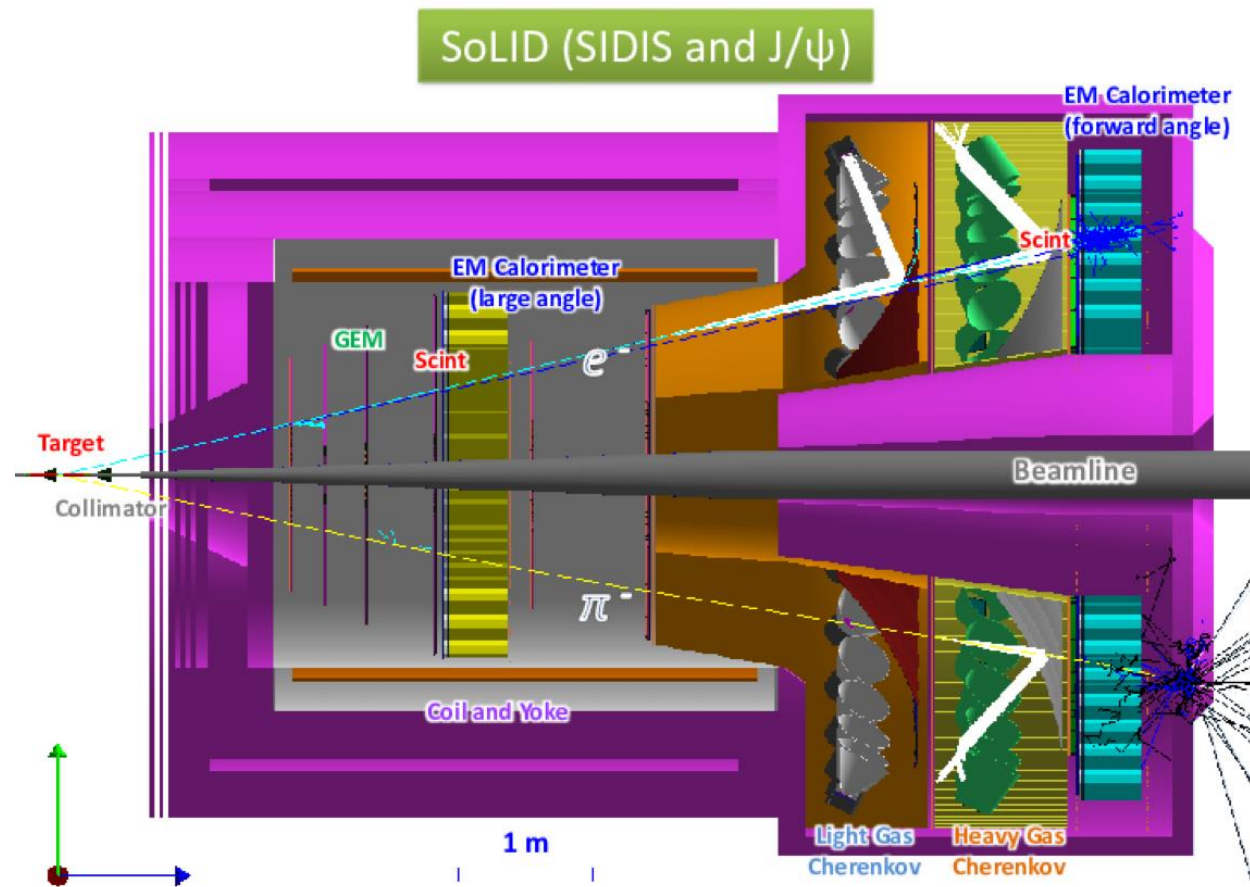
**Step 3:**

**Future program at SoliD**

$$0.3 < z < 0.7$$

$$Q^2 > 1.0 \text{ GeV}^2$$

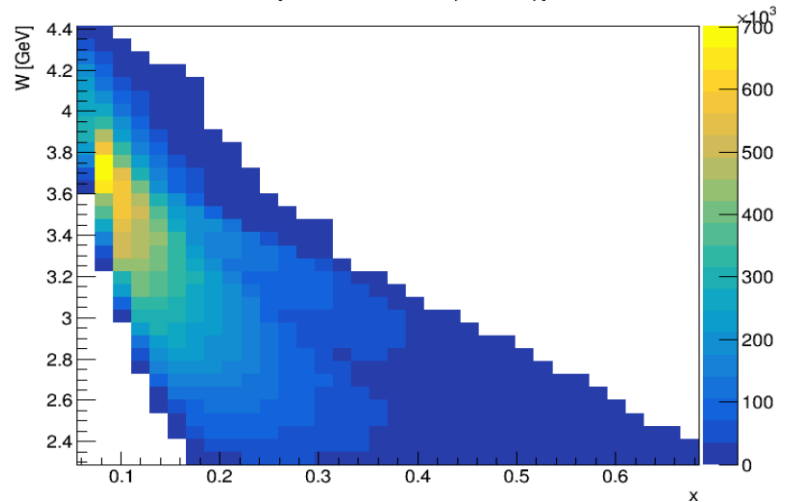
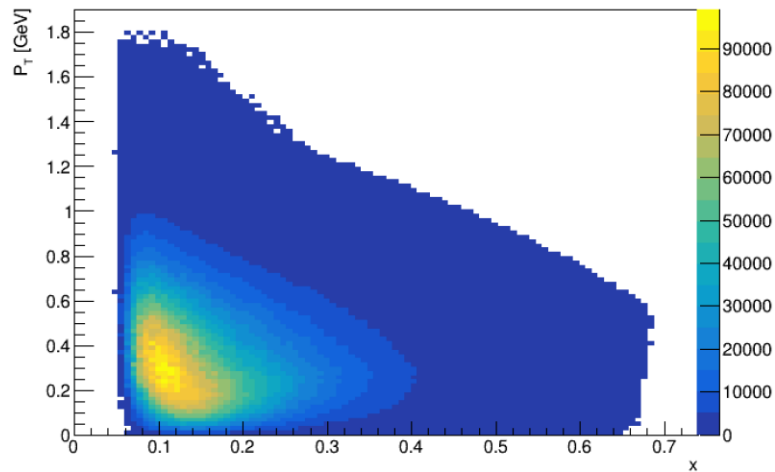
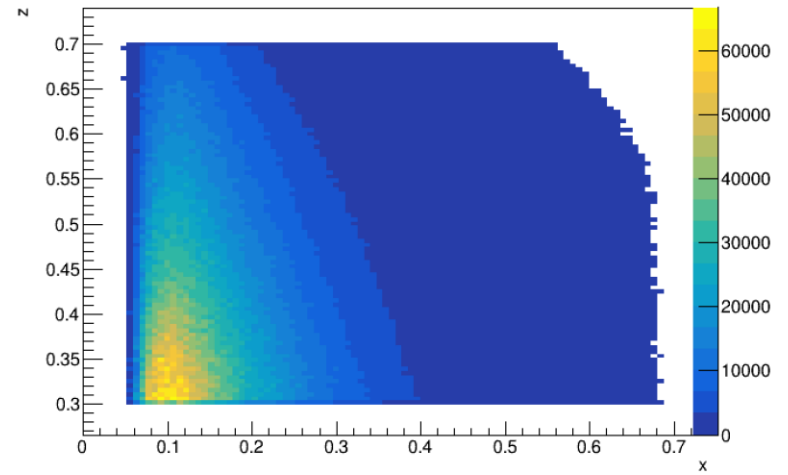
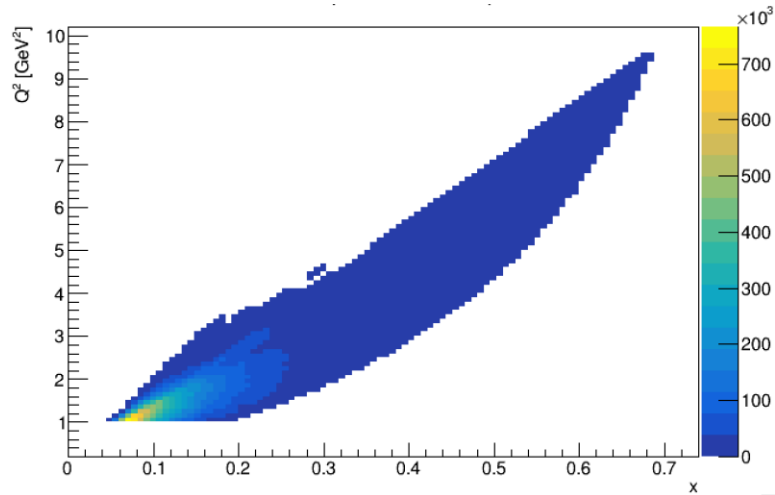
$$W > 2.3 \text{ GeV}$$





## Unpolarized rates for $\pi^-$

1 week of running



Assuming:

- Luminosity  $10^{35}$  cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- Pure  $D \rightarrow 1n + 1p$

## Our path for the Spin-1 SIDIS program



- Exploratory measurement Use Hall B data (Run group C ~ 12% tensor polarization) to estimate the rates and possible sensitivity to structure functions shape/structure.
- Dedicated measurement: Propose a run in the short term (probably around the time of the already approved tensor experiments) to map the longitudinal distributions with better precision.
- Continue target development and plan for all possible configurations of polarization and higher polarizations.
- Formalize a plan to measure the distributions with the SoLID detector.

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**Thank you!**