

# CLAS12 Approved Analysis (CAA): Spin-1 Tensor Structure Functions

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

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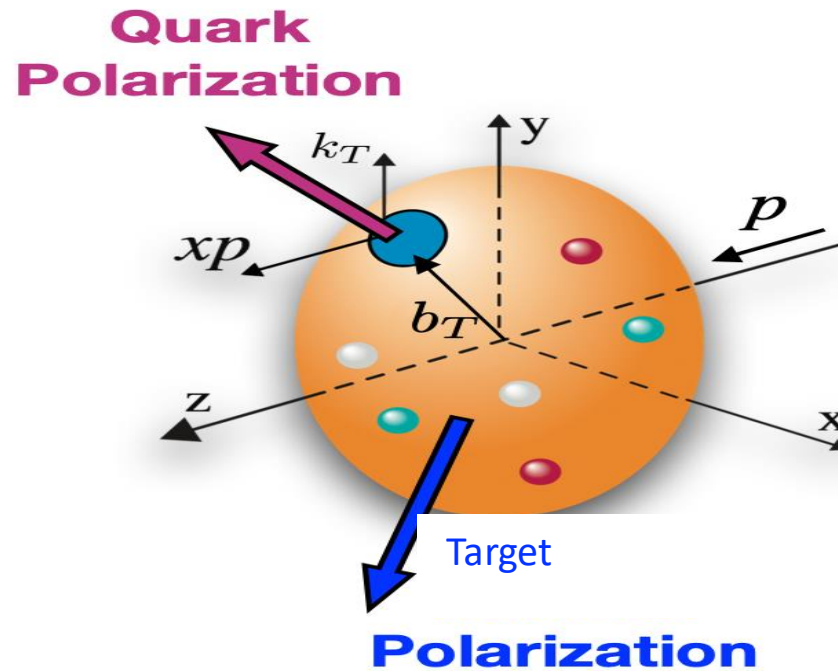
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# Motivation

$$T = \langle \text{[diagram of quark spin and polarization]} \rangle$$

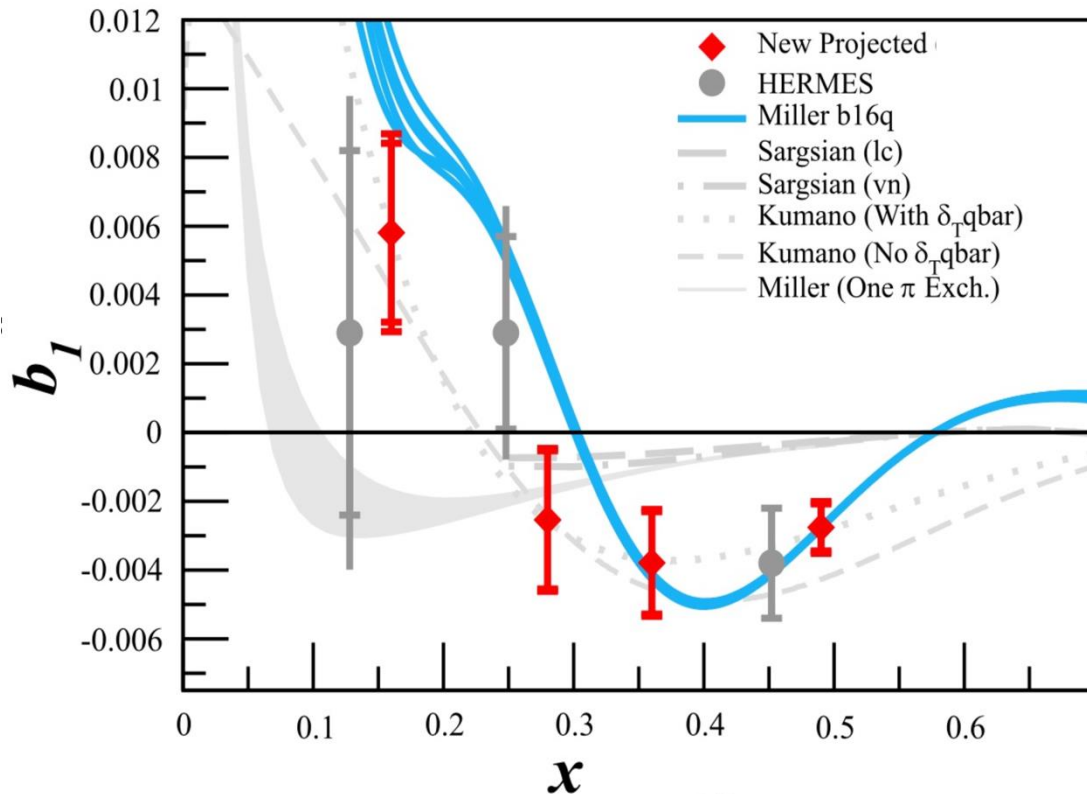
- Explore the transverse momentum dependent tensor structure functions of Spin-1 system
- Constrain different theoretical models to describe the light nuclei
- Understand the exotic state of deuteron that cannot be naively constructed combining proton and neutron structure



# Tensor Polarized Experiments

$$T = \langle \text{[Diagram: Tensor Polarization Diagram]} \rangle$$

- HERMES experimental result for  $b_1$  in 2005, but no additional experimental data
- Approved experiment for  $b_1/A_{zz}$  in Hall C (enhanced tensor pol.): scheduled for 2030/31
- No experimental study/results on tensor TMDs yet



=> CLAS12 Run group C used longitudinally polarized deuteron target [Details of RG-C in Sebastian Kuhn's talk yesterday] :: tensor polarization (Boltzmann statistics at thermal equilibrium)

# Polarization in Spin-1

$$T = \left\langle \left( \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \oplus \\ \downarrow \end{array} \right) = 2 \left( \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \oplus \\ \downarrow \end{array} \right) \right\rangle$$

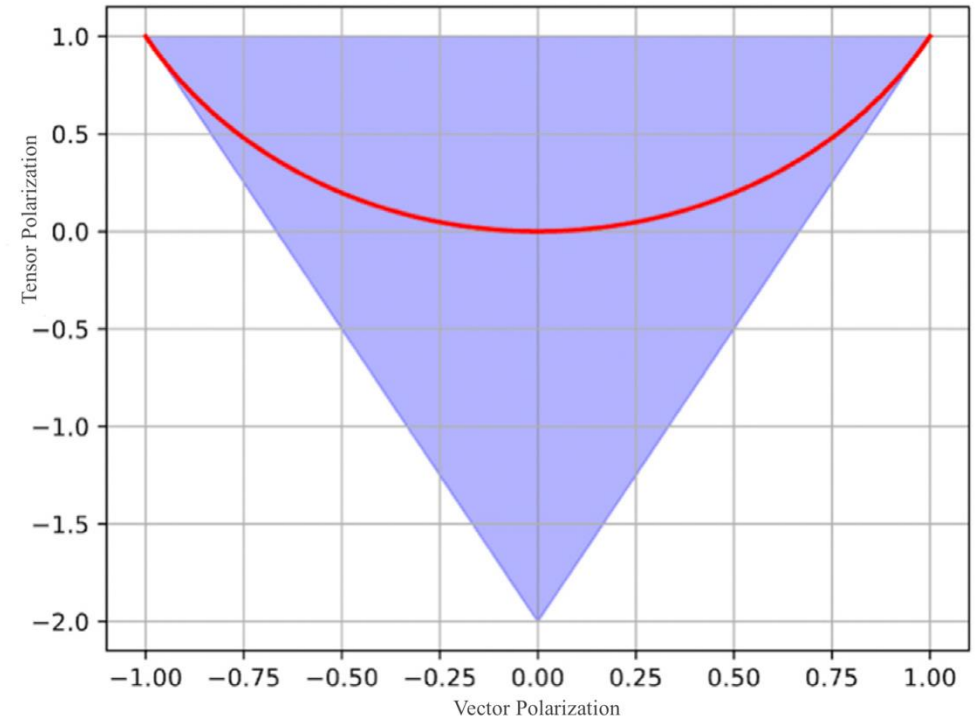
- Spin-1 system splits into 3 energy levels in magnetic field
  - $m = +1$ , 0 and  $-1$  energy states with population  $n_+$ ,  $n_0$  and  $n_-$
  - Vector polarization ( $S_{||}$ ) =  $(n_+ - n_-)/(n_+ + n_0 + n_-)$
  - Tensor polarization ( $T_{||||}$ ) =  $(n_+ + n_- - 2n_0)/(n_+ + n_0 + n_-)$   $\Rightarrow [-2 < T_{||||} < 1]$

- The spin system follows the Boltzmann distribution at thermal equilibrium

$$\Rightarrow T_{||||} = 2 - \sqrt{4 - 3S_{||}^2}$$

$$[0 < T_{||||} < 1]$$

- Average vector pol. of 30% Corresponds to ~ 7% of Tensor pol with Dynamic Nuclear Polarization(DNP)

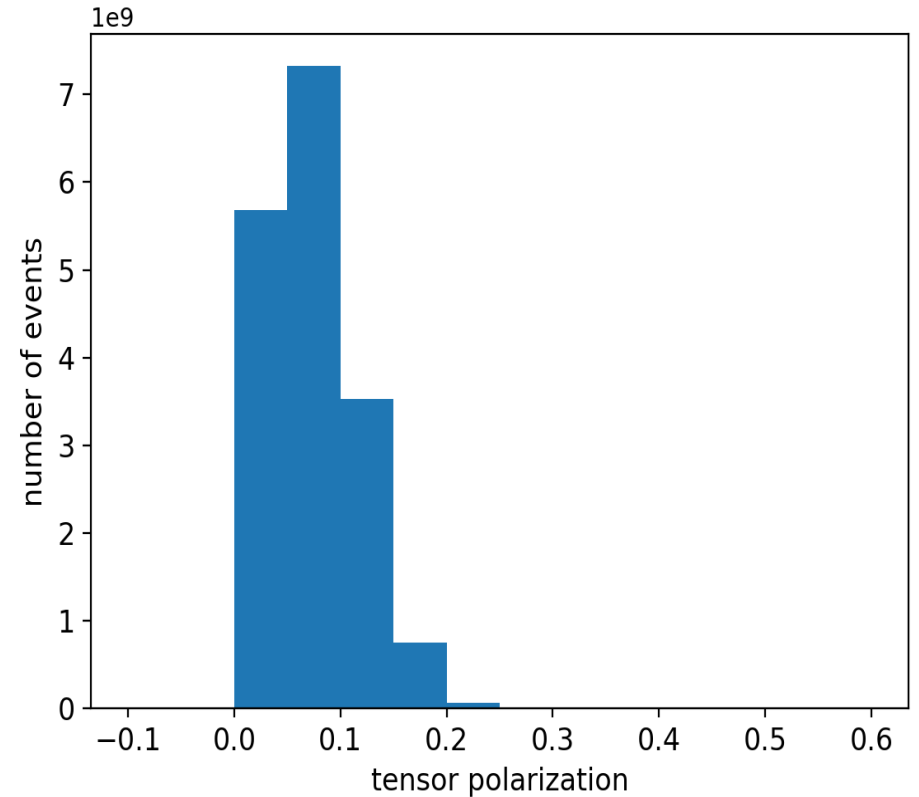
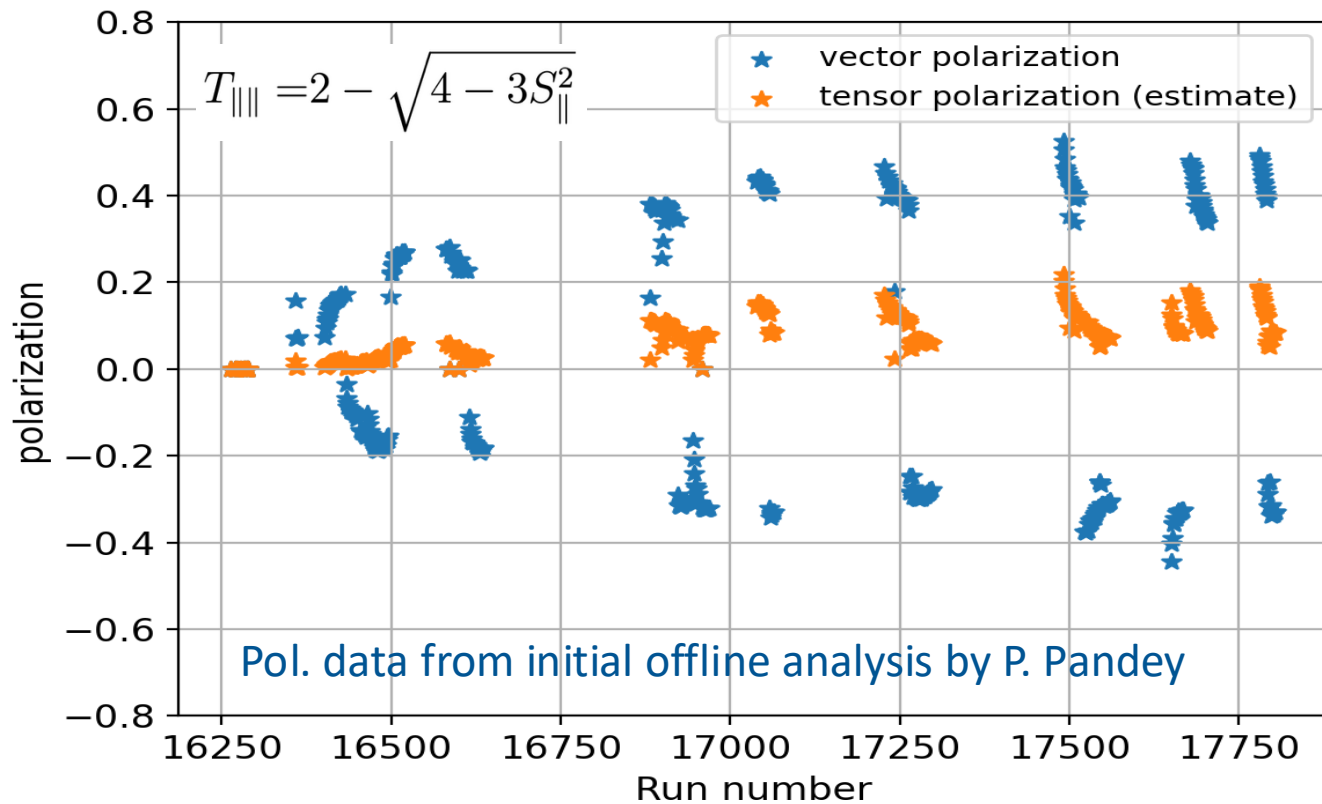


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# CLAS12 RG-C Spin-1 Target

$$T = \langle \text{[polarization diagrams]} \rangle = 2 \langle \text{[polarization diagram]} \rangle$$

- CLAS12 Run Group–C data on longitudinal polarized ND<sub>3</sub> target (summer 2022– winter 2023)
- Average vector polarization of ND<sub>3</sub> target: 31% (along beam direction) and 26% (opposite dir.)
- Average tensor polarization ~ 7% (no tensor enhancement during RG-C)
- Approx. 1800 M events on polarized of ND<sub>3</sub> target



- CLAS12 Approved Analysis (CAA) proposal for the analysis of existing experimental data
  - 1) Study for  $b_1$  near the cross-over region via inclusive analysis
  - 2) Exploratory study of tensor TMD structure functions via SIDIS
  - 3) Understanding of in-beam target polarization with RG-C data
- Started discussion in 2023 with Alessandro Bacchetta for theoretical support
- Submitted proposal in July 2024 to CLAS12, review feedback in September 2024, and officially approved by CLAS12 Collaboration meeting in November 2024.

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# 1) Inclusive: Spin-1 Structure Function

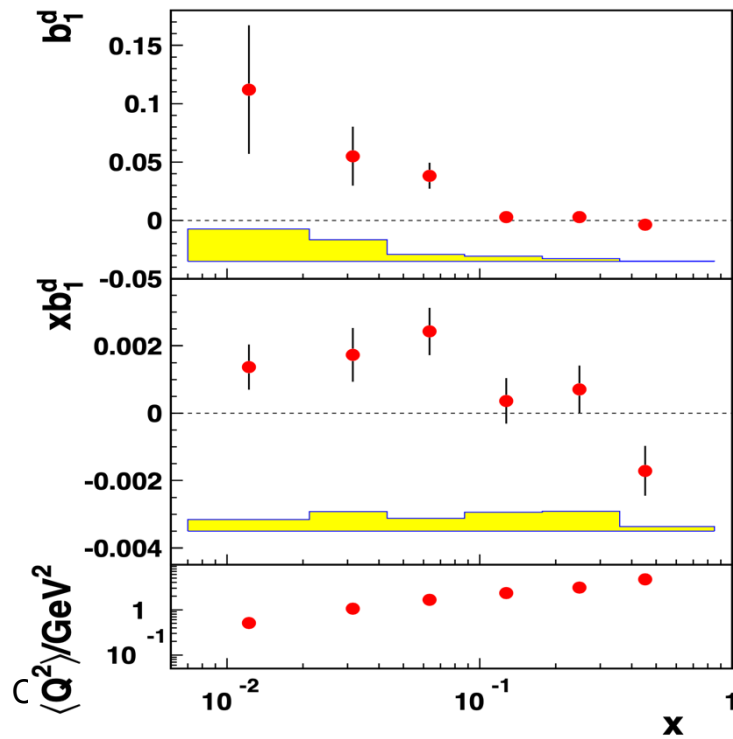
$$T = \langle \text{spin diagrams} \rangle = 2 \langle \text{spin diagrams} \rangle$$

- Hadronic part of cross-section:

$$W_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda_f \lambda_i} = -F_1 \hat{g}_{\mu\nu} + \frac{F_2}{M\nu} \hat{p}_\mu \hat{p}_\nu + \frac{ig_1}{\nu} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} q^\lambda s^\sigma + \frac{ig_2}{M\nu^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} q^\lambda (p \cdot q s^\sigma - s \cdot q p^\sigma) - b_1 r_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{6} b_2 (s_{\mu\nu} + t_{\mu\nu} + u_{\mu\nu}) + \frac{1}{2} b_3 (s_{\mu\nu} - u_{\mu\nu}) + \frac{1}{2} b_4 (s_{\mu\nu} - t_{\mu\nu}),$$

Tensor structure function  $b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4$  (x-dependent):

- $b_1$  structure function of deuteron studied experimentally in HERMES (non-vanishing  $b_1$ )



First measurement of  $b_1$  by HERMES Collaboration (2005)

Naïve Partonic model:

$$b_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} (2q_\uparrow^0(x) - q_\uparrow^1(x) - q_\downarrow^1(x))$$

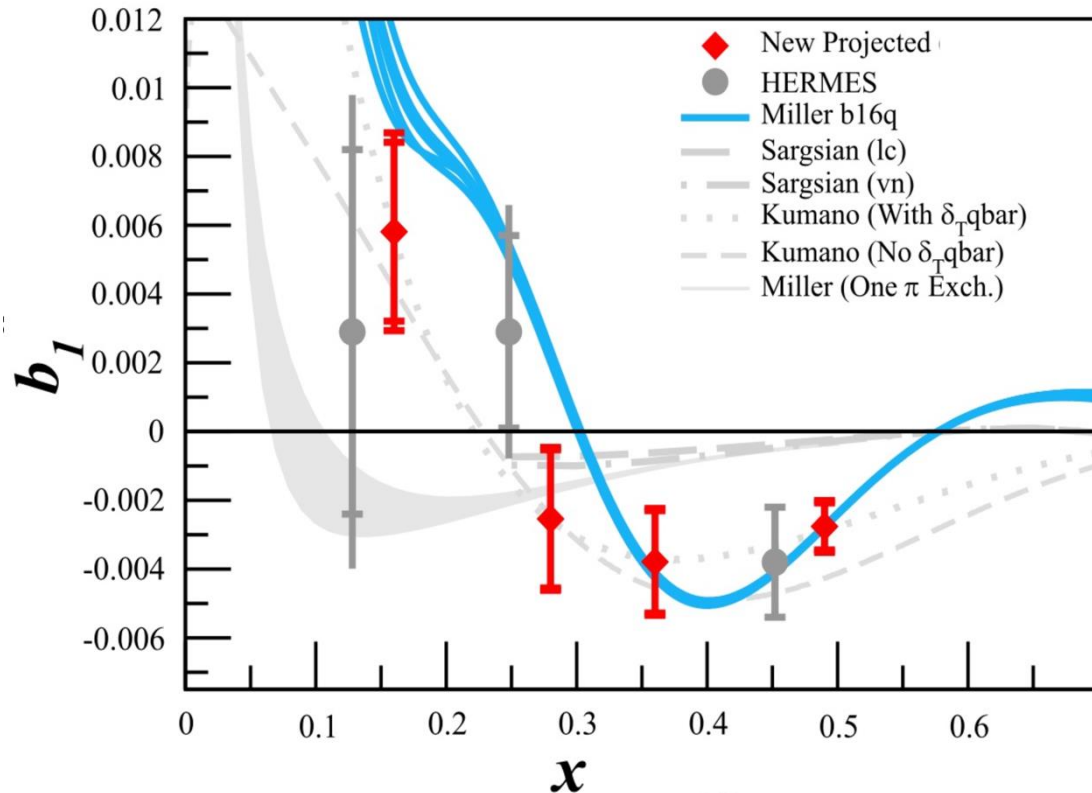
$$b_2(x) = 2x b_1(x)$$

Pioneer study by P. Hoodbhoy, R.L. Jaffe and A. Manohar (1989)

# 1) Inclusive: Spin-1 Structure Function

$$T = \langle \text{[Diagram: Spin-1 tensor structure function representation]} \rangle$$

- Inclusive process (tensor structure function):
  - CLAS12 coverage around zero-crossing region



Leading twist PDFs (1-D distributions)

Hadron \ Quark	U ( $\gamma^+$ )		L ( $\gamma^+\gamma_5$ )		T ( $i\sigma^{i+}\gamma_5 / \sigma^{i+}$ )	
	T-even	T-odd	T-even	T-odd	T-even	T-odd
U	$f_1$					
L			$g_{1L}(g_1)$			
T					$[h_1]$	
LL	$f_{1LL}(b_1)$					
LT						*1 $[h_{1LT}]$
TT						

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Projection of  $b_1$  experiment approved for Hall C

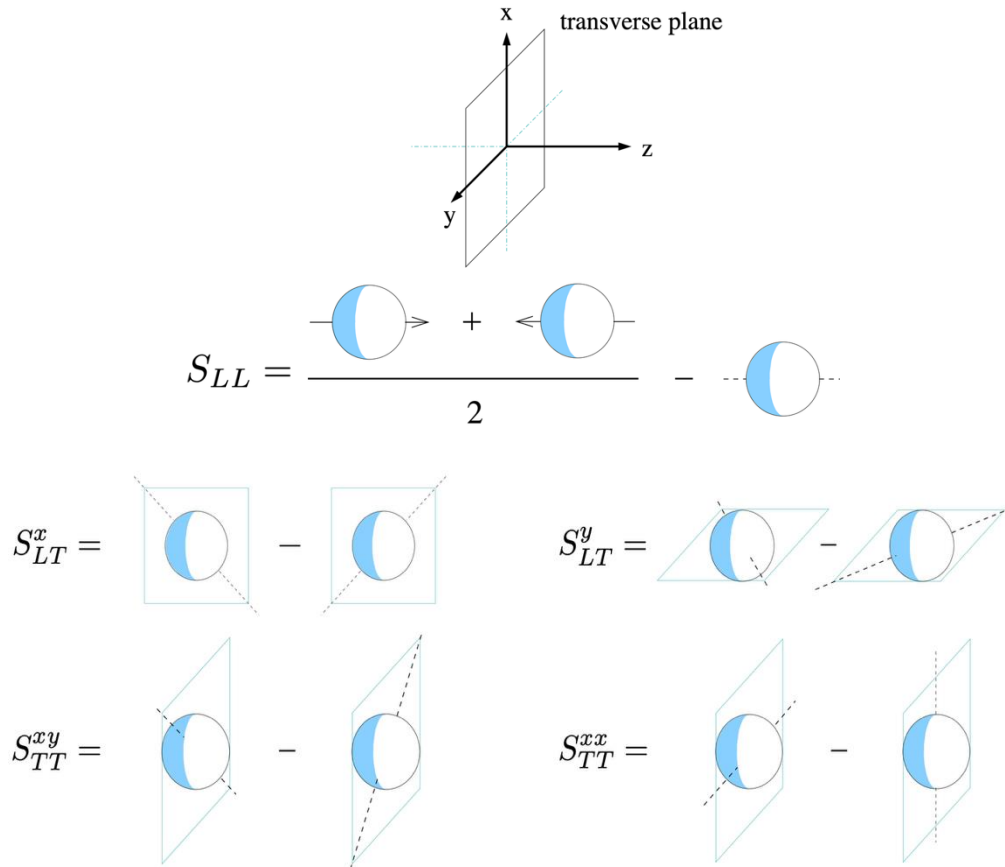
## 2) SIDIS: Spin-1 Structure Function

$$T = \langle \text{spin-1 tensor} \rangle = 2 \langle \text{spin-1 tensor} \rangle$$

- Semi-Inclusive DIS (SIDIS) process and Spin-1 TMDs [tensor: LL, LT, TT { LL ≈ || || }]

Leading twist TMDs (3-D distributions)

Quark \ Hadron	U ( $\gamma^+$ )		L ( $\gamma^+ \gamma_5$ )		T ( $i\sigma^{i+} \gamma_5 / \sigma^{i+}$ )	
	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		$f_{1T}^\perp$	$g_{1T}$		$[h_1], [h_{1T}^\perp]$	
<b>LL</b>	$f_{1LL}$					$[h_{1LL}^\perp]$
<b>LT</b>	$f_{1LT}$			$g_{1LT}$		$[h_{1LT}], [h_{1LT}^\perp]$
<b>TT</b>	$f_{1TT}$			$g_{1TT}$		$[h_{1TT}], [h_{1TT}^\perp]$



➤ Integral over the transverse momenta provides 1-D PDFs

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## 2) SIDIS: Spin-1 Structure Function

$$\mathbb{T} = \langle \text{[Diagram 1]} + \text{[Diagram 2]} = 2 \text{[Diagram 3]} \rangle$$

- Cross-section considering longitudinal polarization of target (SIDIS process in leading twist)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx dy d\psi dz d\phi_h dP_{h\perp}^2} = \frac{y^2 \alpha^2}{2(1-\epsilon)xyQ^2} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma^2}{2x}\right) \left[ F_{UU,T} + \epsilon F_{UU,L} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \cos \phi_h F_{UU}^{\cos \phi_h} \right. \\ \left. + \epsilon \cos(2\phi_h) F_{UU}^{\cos(2\phi_h)} + \lambda_e \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \sin \phi_h F_{LU}^{\sin \phi_h} \right]$$

Vector polarization:

$$+ S_{\parallel} \left\{ \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \sin \phi_h F_{UL}^{\sin \phi_h} + \epsilon \sin(2\phi_h) F_{UL}^{\sin 2\phi_h} \right\}$$

$$+ S_{\parallel} \lambda_e \left\{ \sqrt{1-\epsilon^2} F_{LL} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon \cos \phi_h)} F_{LL}^{\cos \phi_h} \right\}$$

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Tensor Polarization:

$$+ T_{\parallel\parallel} \left\{ F_{U(LL),T} + \epsilon F_{U(LL),L} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \cos \phi_h F_{U(LL)}^{\cos \phi_h} \right. \\ \left. + \epsilon \cos(2\phi_h) F_{U(LL)}^{\cos 2\phi_h} + \lambda_e \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \sin \phi_h F_{L(LL)}^{\sin \phi_h} \right\}$$

## 2) SIDIS: Spin-1 Structure Function

$$\mathbf{T} = \langle \text{[diagrams]} \rangle = 2 \langle \text{[diagram]} \rangle$$

- Tensor Structure Functions ( $F$ ) of deuteron in terms of TMDs ( $f, g, h$ ) convoluted with fragmentation functions ( $D, E, H$ )

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

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

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

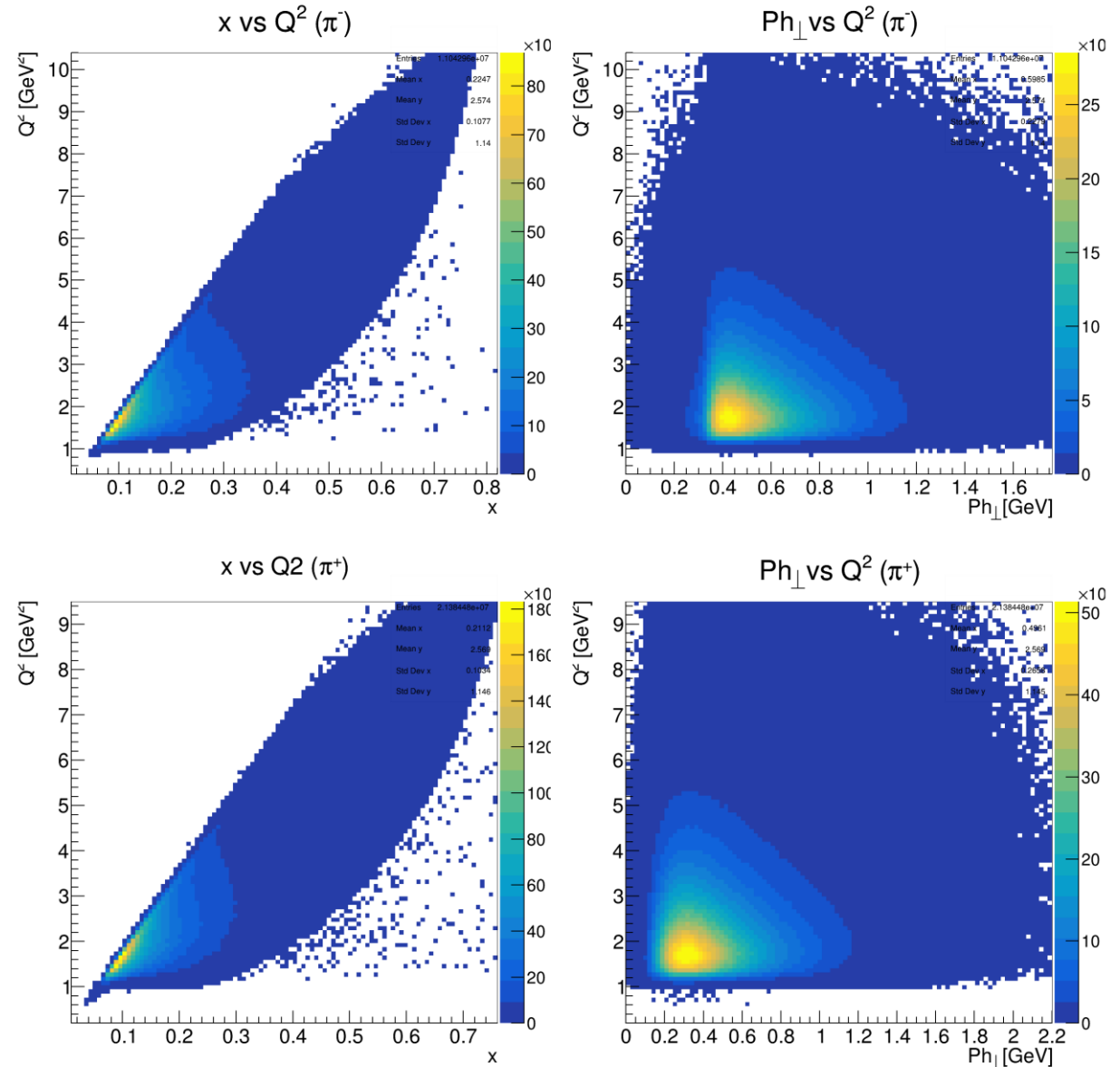
$$F_{U(LL)}^{\cos 2\phi_h} = C \left[ - \frac{2(\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{k}_T)(\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{p}_T) - \mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{p}_T}{MM_h} h_{1LL}^\perp H_1^\perp \right]$$

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

# CLAS12 Acceptance

- Analyze events with pion in the final state for the SIDIS analysis
- Planning to have 3 to 4 bins in  $x_B < 0.8$
- All data will be combined in  $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ ,  $0.2 < z < 0.7$  and  $P_T < 0.8 \text{ GeV}$  for this exploratory study

## CLAS12 SIDIS Kinematics



# Data Analysis

- Total cross section  $\sigma = \sigma_U + S_{\parallel} \sigma_V + T_{\parallel\parallel\parallel} \sigma_T$
- Vector polarization contribution suppressed with the data on both (+ve & -ve) vector polarity of target
- Tensor part extracted from the linear fit of unpolarized + tensor polarized cross-section

$$\sigma^* = \left( \sigma(h_e = 0, S_{\parallel}, T_{\parallel\parallel\parallel}) + \sigma(h_e = 0, -S_{\parallel}, T_{\parallel\parallel\parallel}) - 2\sigma_U \right)$$

Inclusive

$$A_{zz} = \sigma^* / (2T_{\parallel\parallel\parallel} \sigma_U)$$

$$A_{zz} \approx -b_1 / 3F_1^d$$

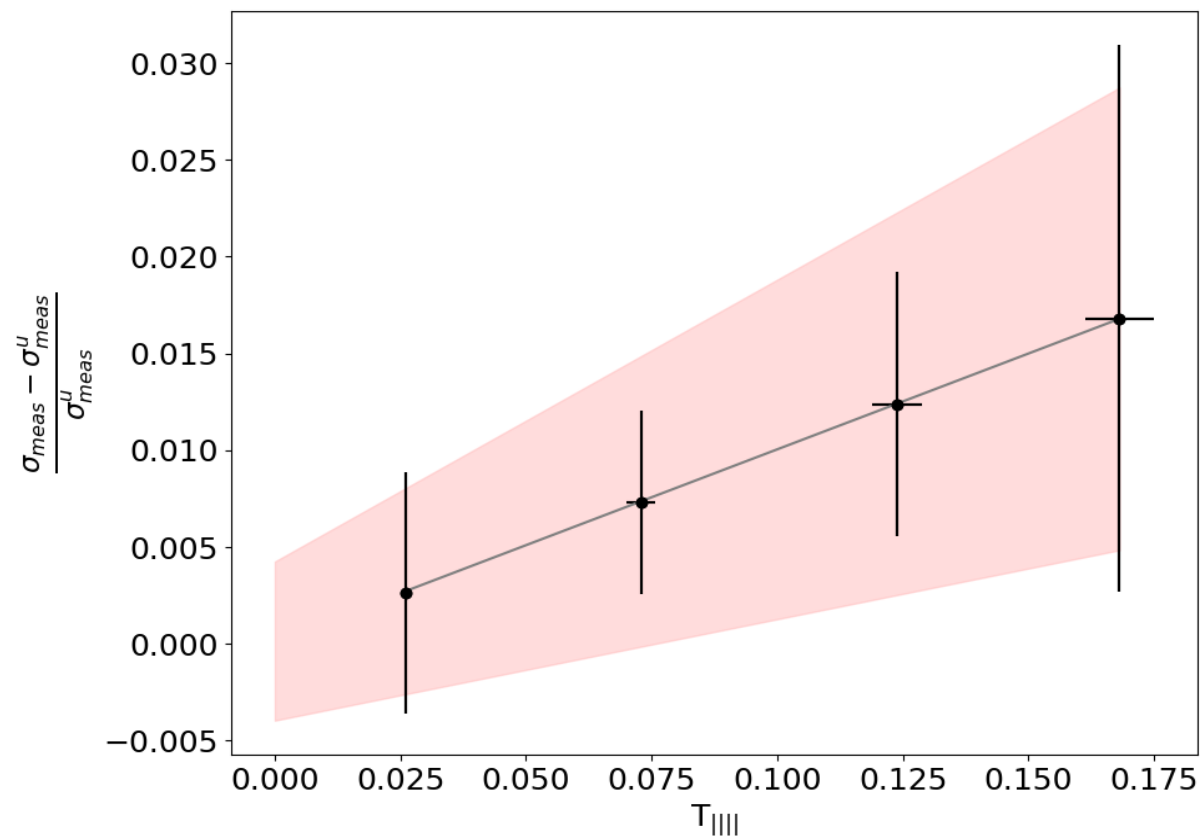
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SIDIS

- Angular modulation to extract different tensor structure functions

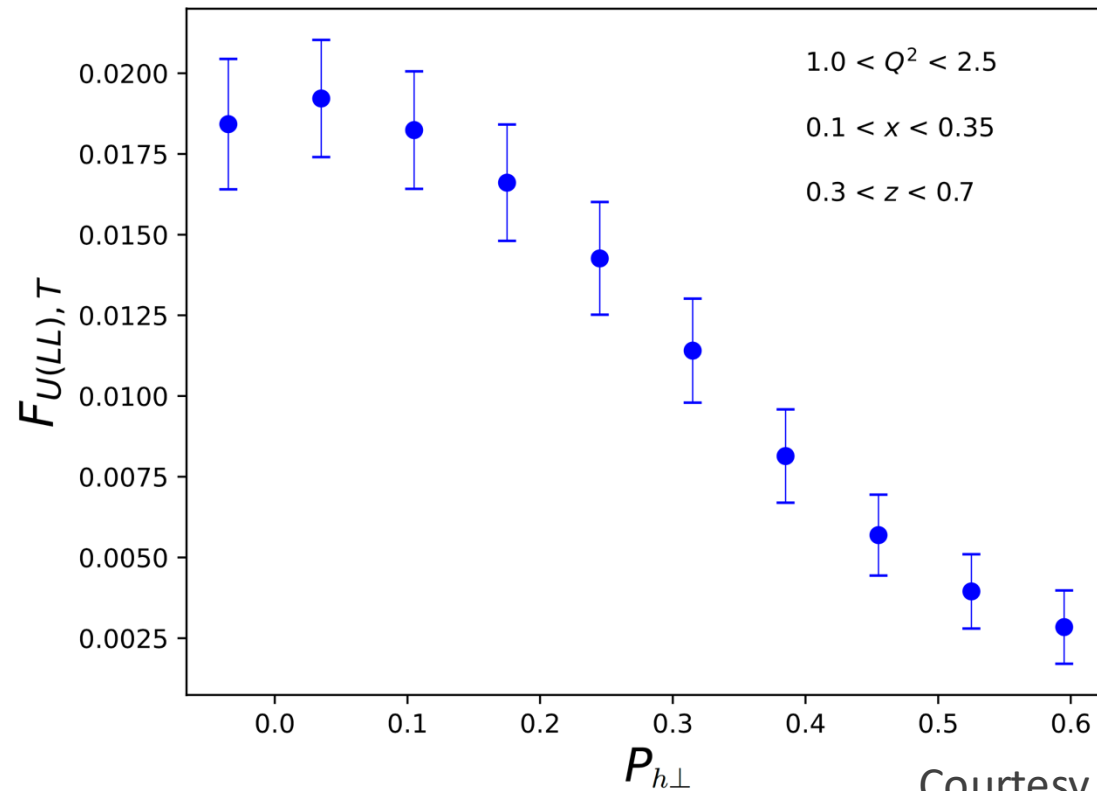
# Data Analysis: Tensor Contribution

- Estimation of the tensor contribution from the CLAS12 RGC data
- Considered 1.7% of total events as pi+ SIDIS events (preliminary analysis)
- Slope of linear fit provides the tensor contribution



# Tensor Structure Function: Simulation

- Unpolarized structure function ( $F_{UU,T}$ ) generated using PDF and FF information from LHAPDF over the kinematic region of interest
- Tensor structure function ( $F_{U(LL),T}$ ) is estimated considering 10% of the unpolarized component  $F_{UU,T}$



Courtesy of D. Ruth

## Students on CAA

$$T = \langle \text{🧠} \uparrow \oplus \text{🧠} \downarrow = 2 \text{🧠} \updownarrow \rangle$$

- Anchit Aurora (UNH): Resonance
- Chetra Lama (UNH): target polarization + quasi-elastic
- Hector ChinChay (UNH): SIDIS + dilution factor
- Muhammad Farooq (UNH): Inclusive DIS + target polarization
- Kehinde Ogunremi (NMSU): Recently joined the group (SIDIS)

# Summary

$$T = \langle \text{[Diagram 1]} \oplus \text{[Diagram 2]} = 2 \text{[Diagram 3]} \rangle$$

- Analyze the CLAS12 RG-C data for Spin-1 tensor structure functions (approved CAA)
  - Exploratory study of tensor TMD structure functions via SIDIS
  - Additional result for  $b_1$  near the cross-over region via inclusive analysis
  - Understanding of in-beam target polarization with RG-C data
- Crucial preliminary measurement for the future dedicated experiments
- Unique mechanism to study hadron tomography in momentum space and QCD dynamics
- Interesting physics to understand the light nuclei: expanding group !!

We would like to invite you all to join us on these efforts !!!

# Group Members

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# Spin-1 Tensor TMDs: SIDIS

- Semi-Inclusive DIS (SIDIS) process to study spin-1 TMDs

$$e(l) + d(P_d) \rightarrow e(l') + h(P_h) + X$$

- Kinematics

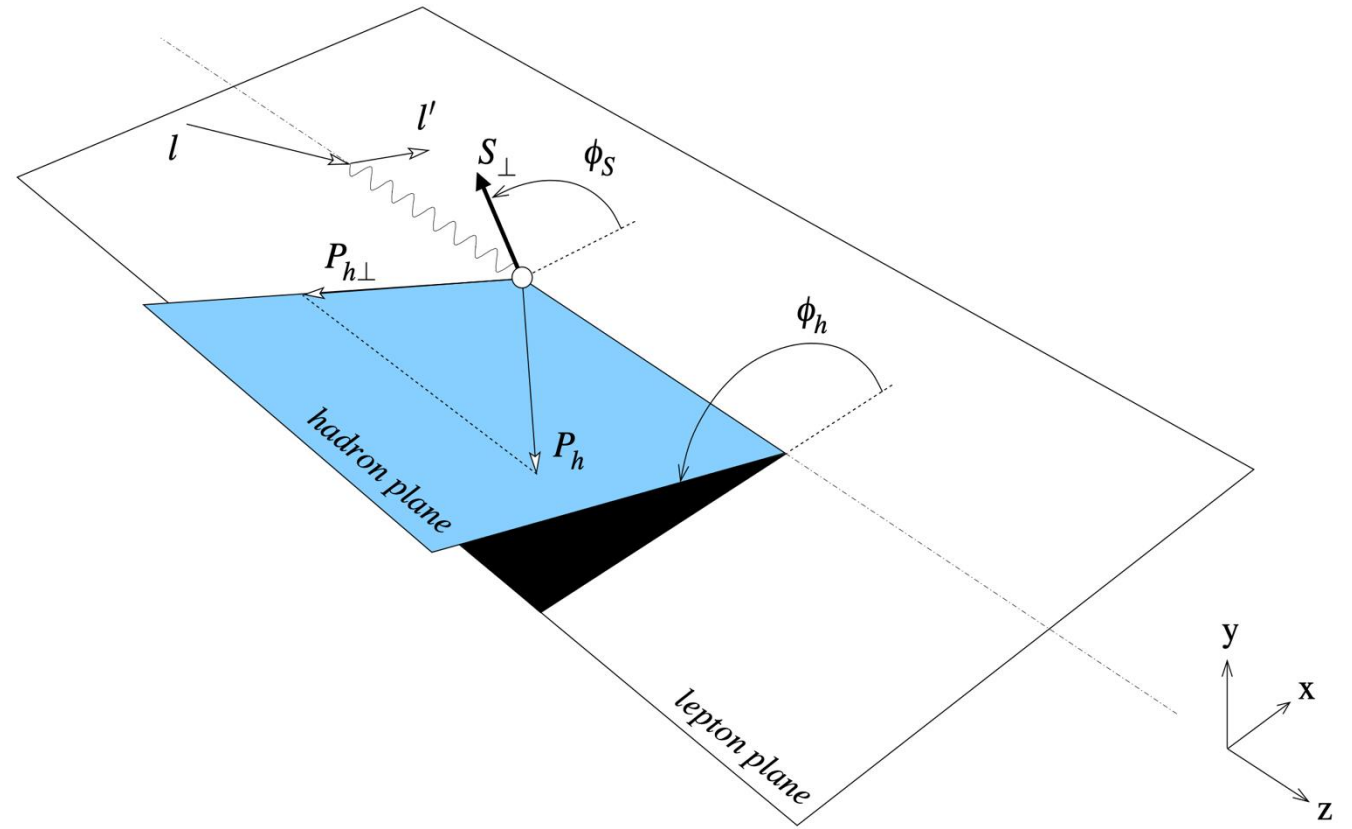
$$x_d = \frac{Q^2}{2P_d \cdot q} \quad 0 < x_d < 1$$

$$y = \frac{P_d \cdot q}{P_d \cdot l}$$

$$z = \frac{P_d \cdot P_h}{P_d \cdot q}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{2M_d x}{Q}$$

$$x = 2x_d \quad 0 < x < 2$$

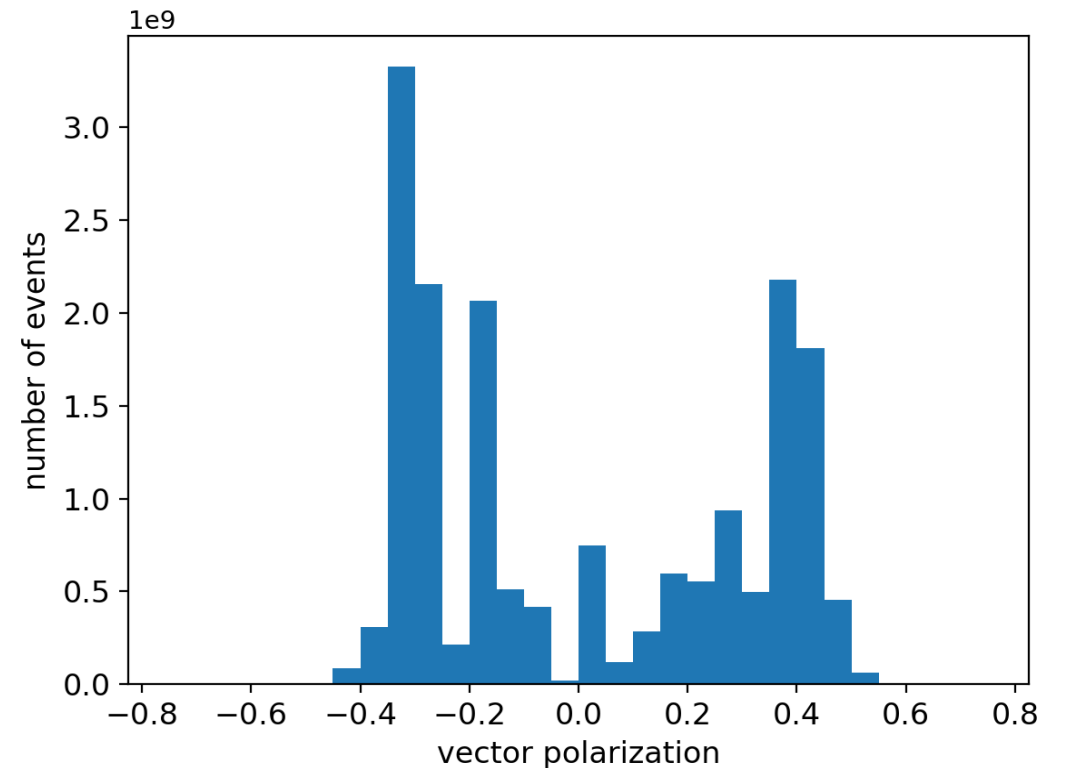
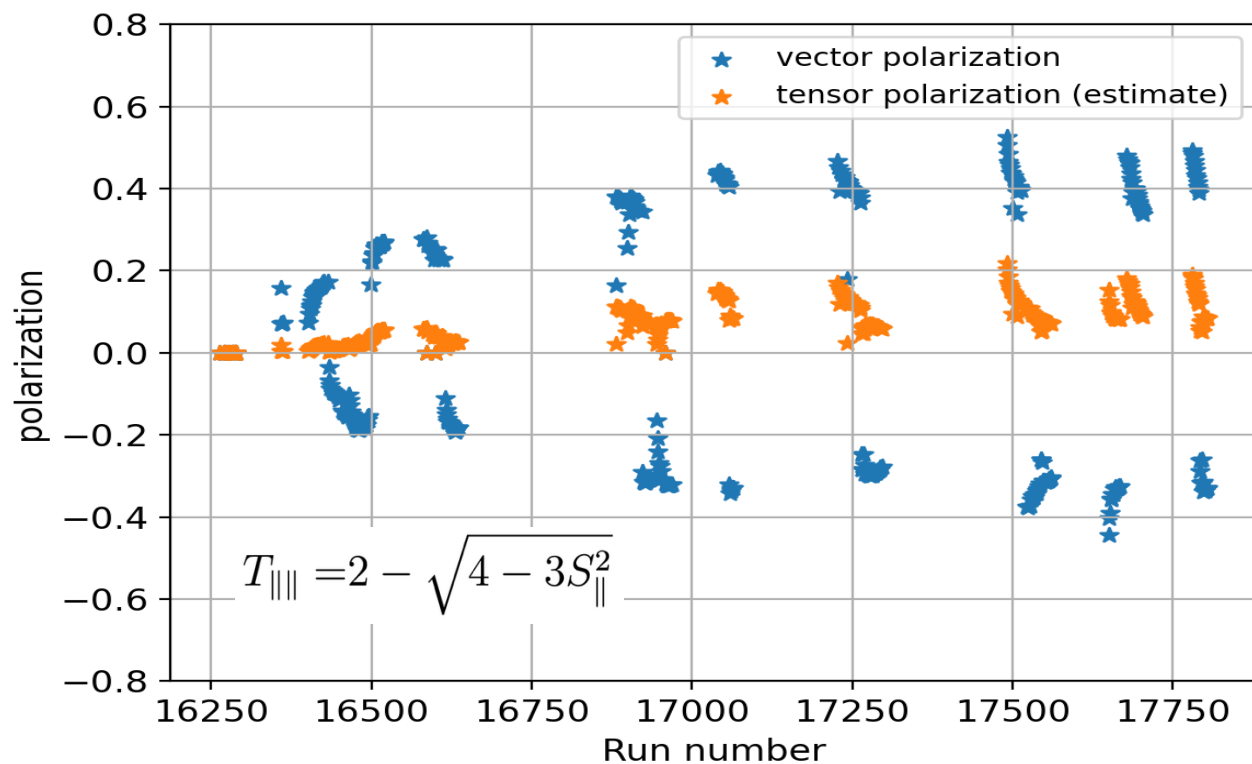


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# CAA Review Report from CLAS12

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Overall: The note is well written, putting forward the relevance and feasibility of the proposed analysis. The objectives, dataset and analysis strategy are well defined and realistic. The main limitation identified in this note are the large statistical and systematic uncertainties. However, the results will provide an initial guide for the rates and kinematics needed for future measurements of the structure functions in Hall C. We see no show stopper for this analysis and recommend the CAA to be approved.