

# Neutron spin structure from $e^-{}^3He$ with Double spectator tagging at EIC

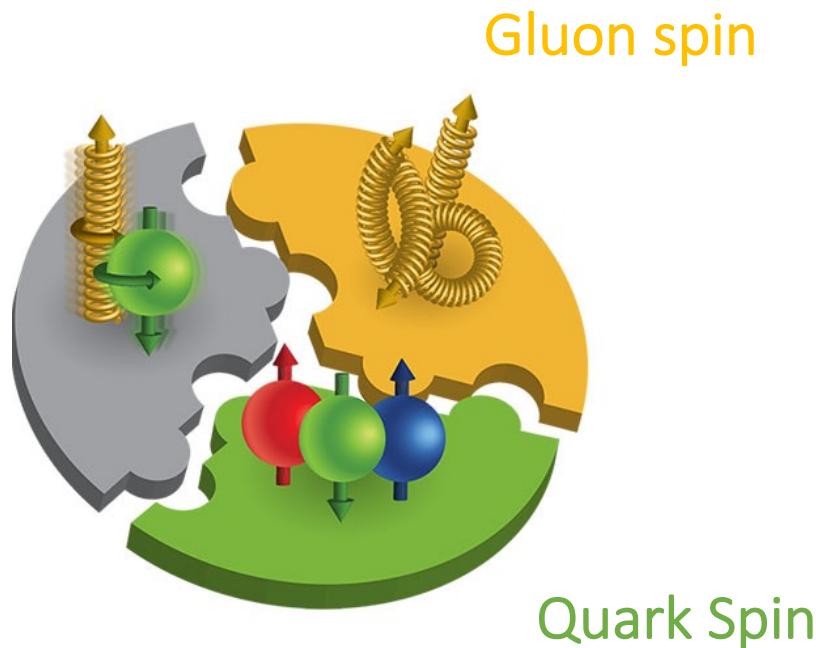
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# Nucleon Spin Puzzle

Quark and Gluon  
internal motion

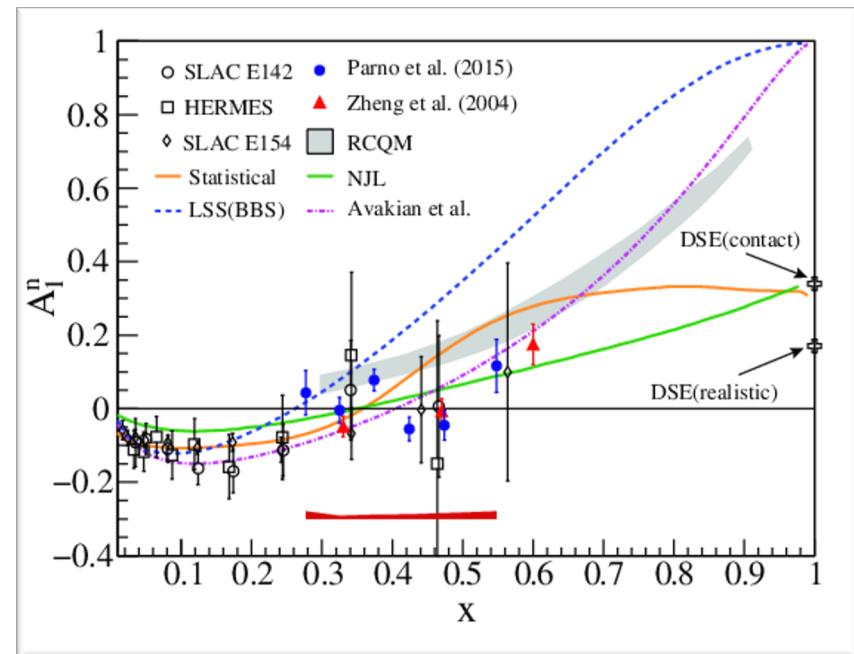


# Spin structure function obtained from asymmetry measurement

$$A_1(x, Q^2) = \frac{\sigma^{\uparrow\downarrow} - \sigma^{\uparrow\uparrow}}{\sigma^{\uparrow\downarrow} + \sigma^{\uparrow\uparrow}} \approx \frac{g_1(x, Q^2)}{F_1(x, Q^2)}$$

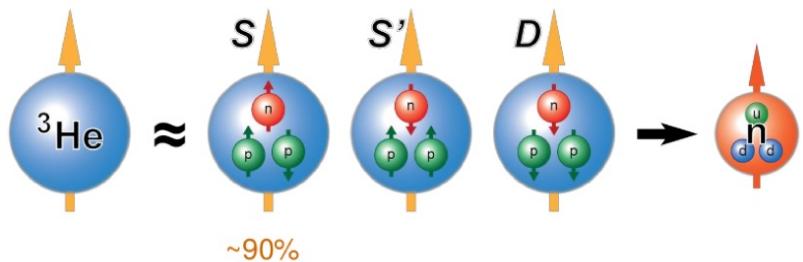
□ Neutron asymmetry  
necessary for the flavor  
study

□ No free neutron target



# $^3\text{He}$ as polarized neutron target

- ☐ Neutron carries most of the spin in polarized  $^3\text{He}$



- ☐  $A_1^n$  is extracted from inclusive DIS e-He3,  $A_1^{\text{He}}$

Neutron pol:  $P_n \sim 87\%$   
Proton pol:  $P_p \sim 2.7\%$

$$A_1^n \approx \frac{1}{P_n} \frac{F_2^{^3\text{He}}}{F_2^n} (A_1^{^3\text{He}} - 2P_p \frac{F_2^p}{F_2^{^3\text{He}}} A_1^p)$$

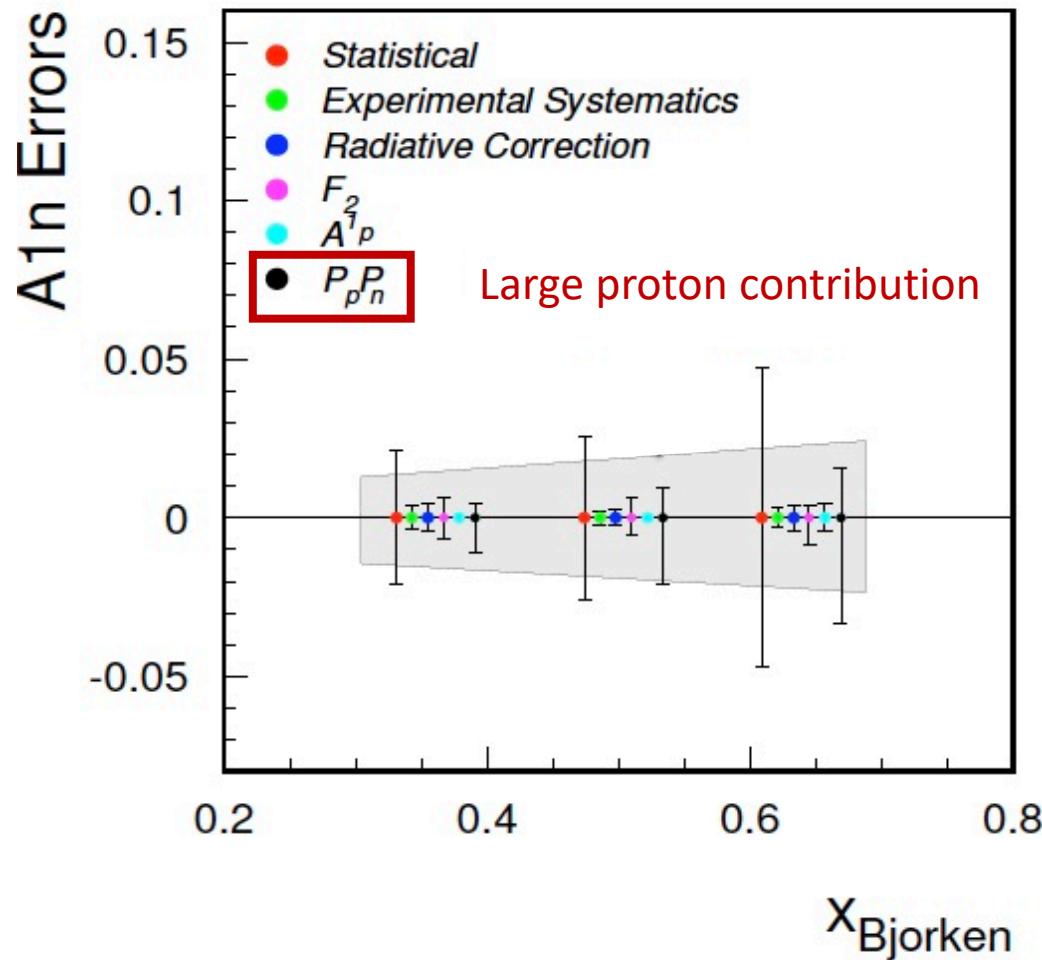
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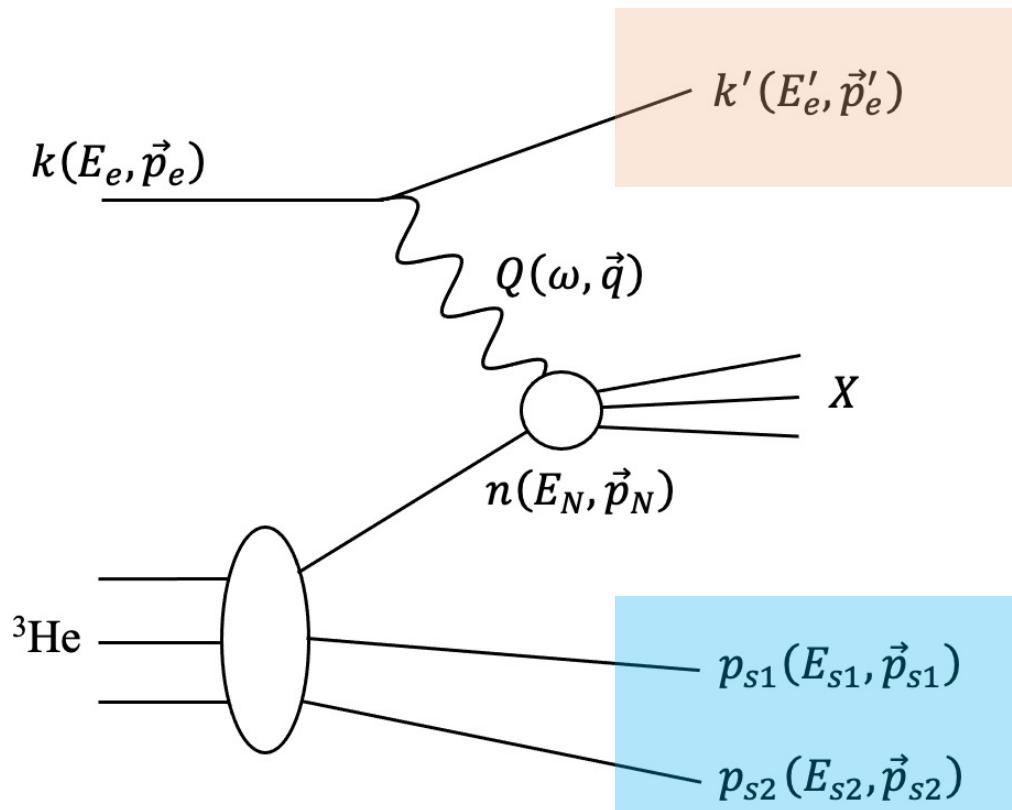
- Effective neutron, proton polarization
- Structure functions F2
- A1p uncertainty.

Large model dependence

# Inclusive extraction has large systematic uncertainties

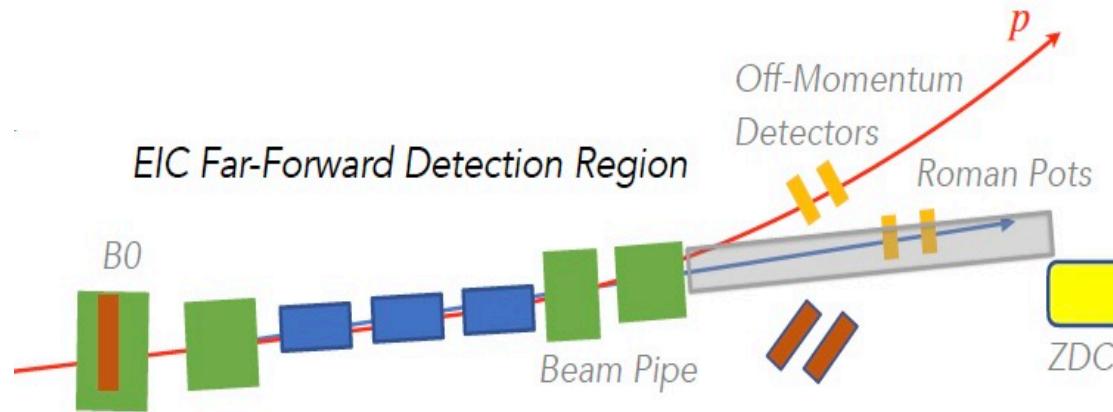


# Double spectator tagging suppress model dependence



- Select the active nucleon in the reaction and break up channel
- Suppress the contribution of non-nucleonic degree of freedom
- “Effective” free neutron target

# Spectator protons @ EIC Far forward region



- Magnetic field separates proton from ion beam
- Proton:  $B_0$  tracker, Off-Momentum detector and Roman pots

Yellow report section: 11.6  
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# Event generator and processing

Existing code assumes standing nucleons.

Add  ${}^3\text{He}$  light-front wave function effects (fermi motion)

Produce pseudo-data and run via EIC Simulation

CLASDIS Event Generator

Fermi motion correction



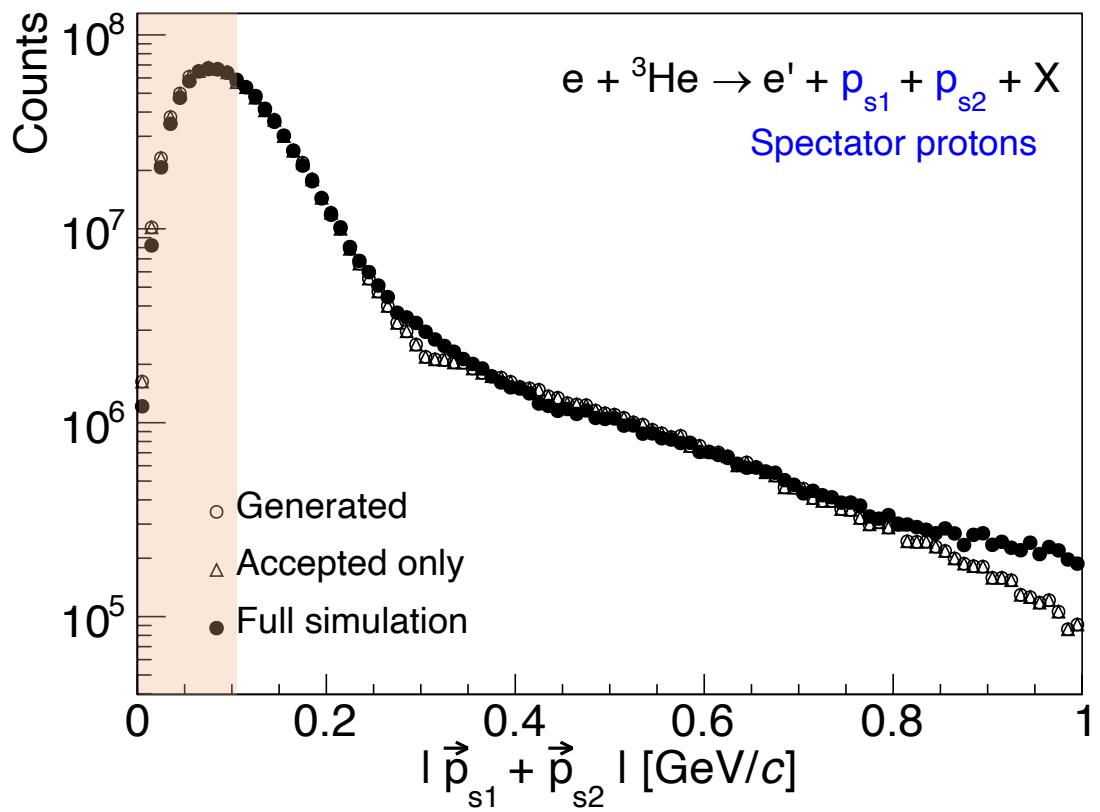
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EIC simulation

# Spectator momentum at the Ion Rest Frame

eN: 5x41

- Spectator protons  
= DIS off neutron
- low total  
spectator  
momentum  
= Effective “free  
neutron” target
- Minimal nuclear  
effects



# Event selection

## DIS Selection:

- $Q^2 > 2 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$
- $W^2 > 4 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$
- $0.05 < y < 0.95$

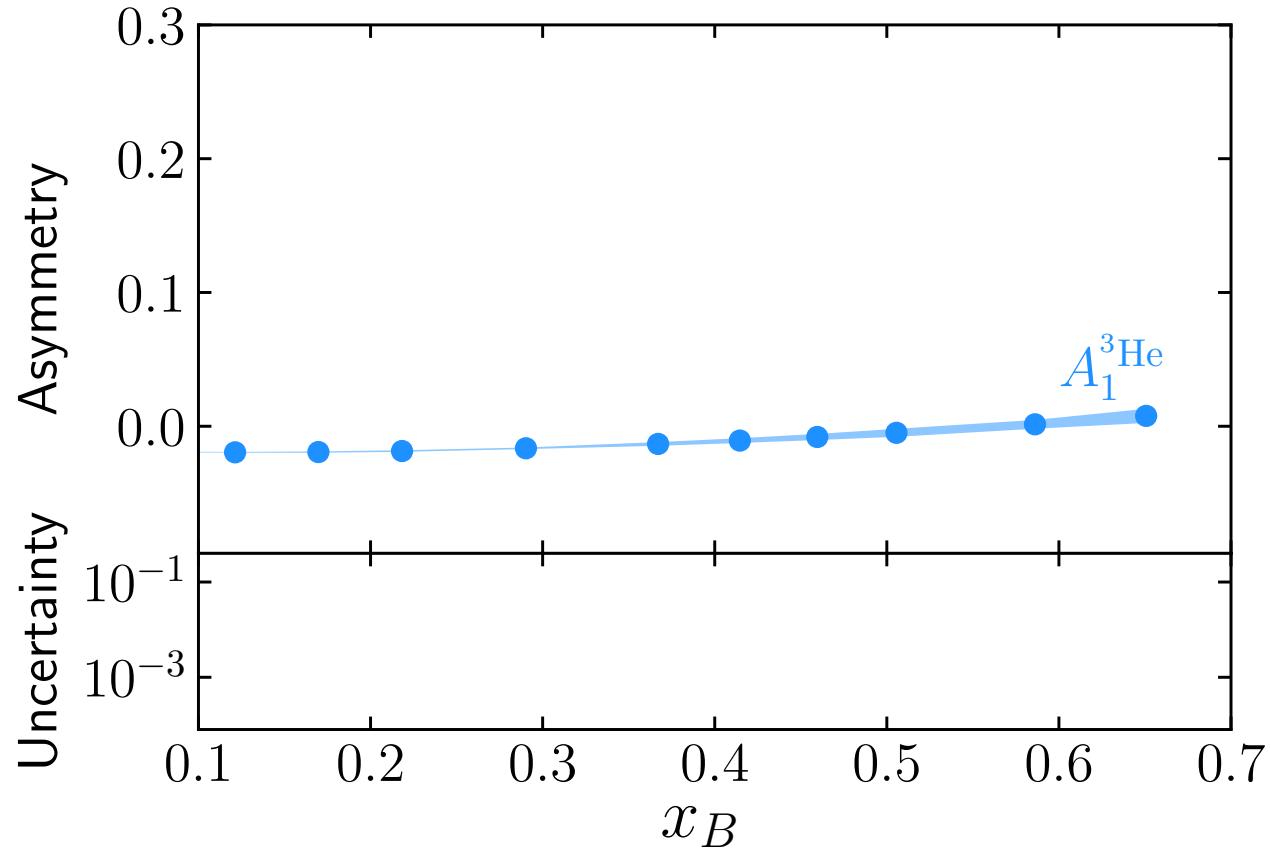
- Bin in  $x$  &  $Q^2$
- scale to 1 EIC year ( $10 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ )

$$\text{Uncertainty} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \frac{1}{P_e P_N}$$

## +Tagging :

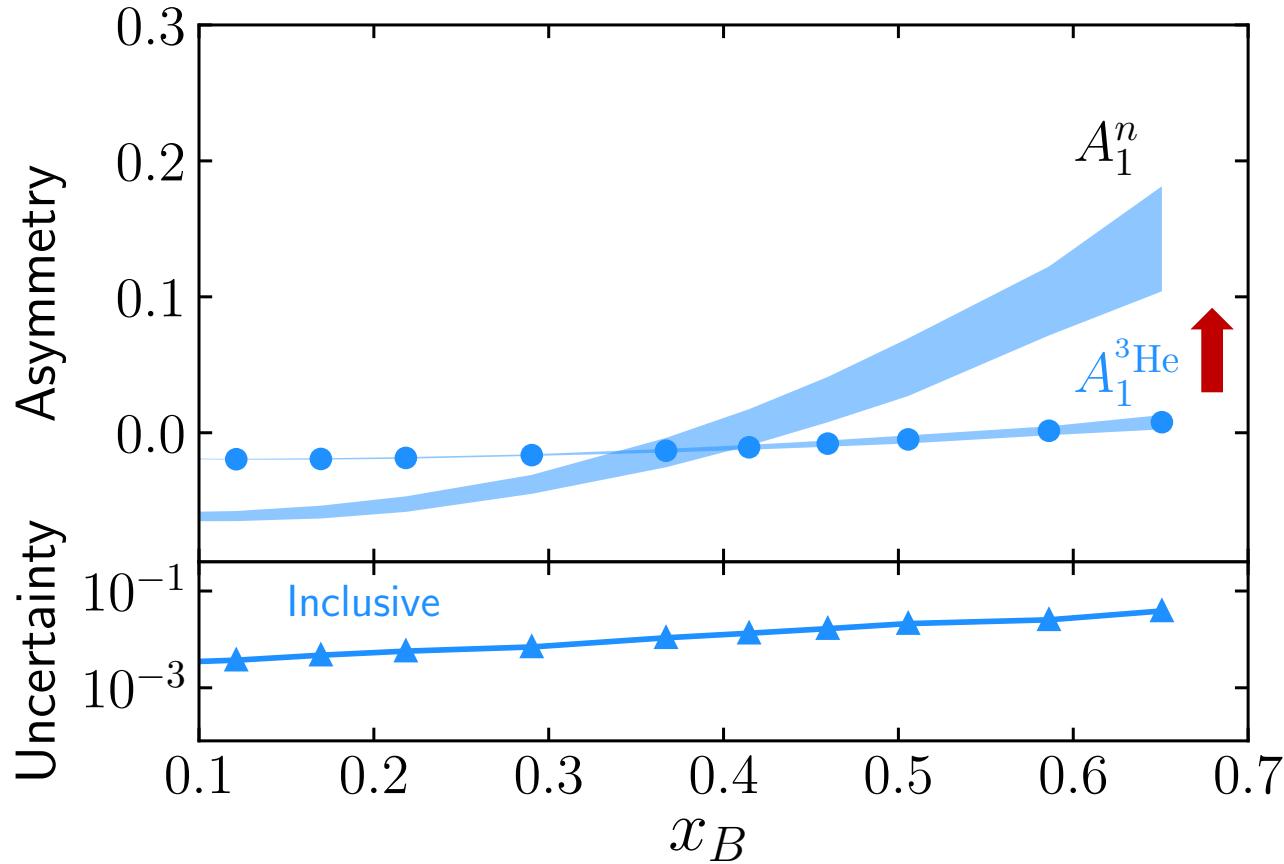
- Both spectator protons detected.
- $|p_1 + p_2| < 0.1 \text{ GeV}$

# $A_1^{^3\text{He}}$ from ${}^3\text{He}(e, e')$



□  $A_1^{^3\text{He}}$  : Only includes the statistic uncertainty

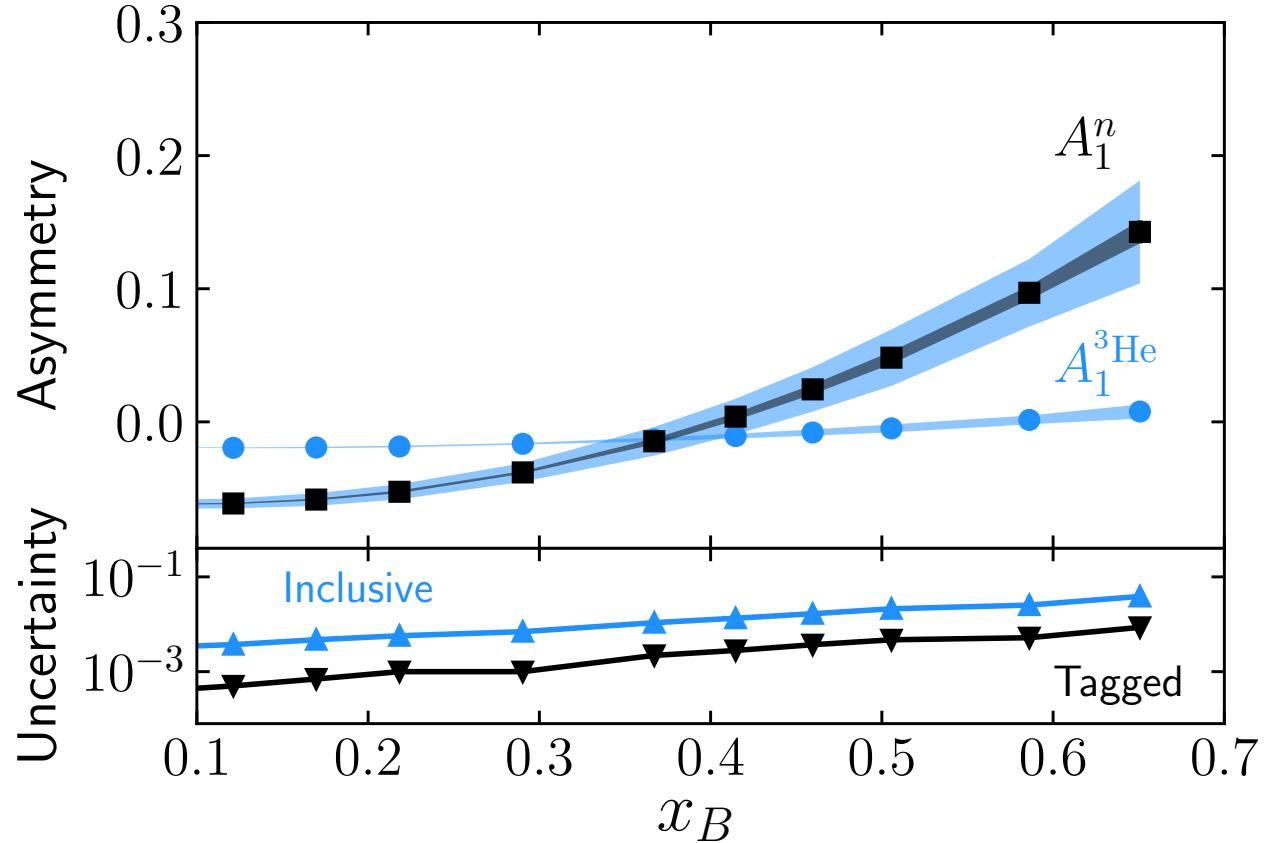
# $A_1^n$ from ${}^3\text{He}(e, e')$



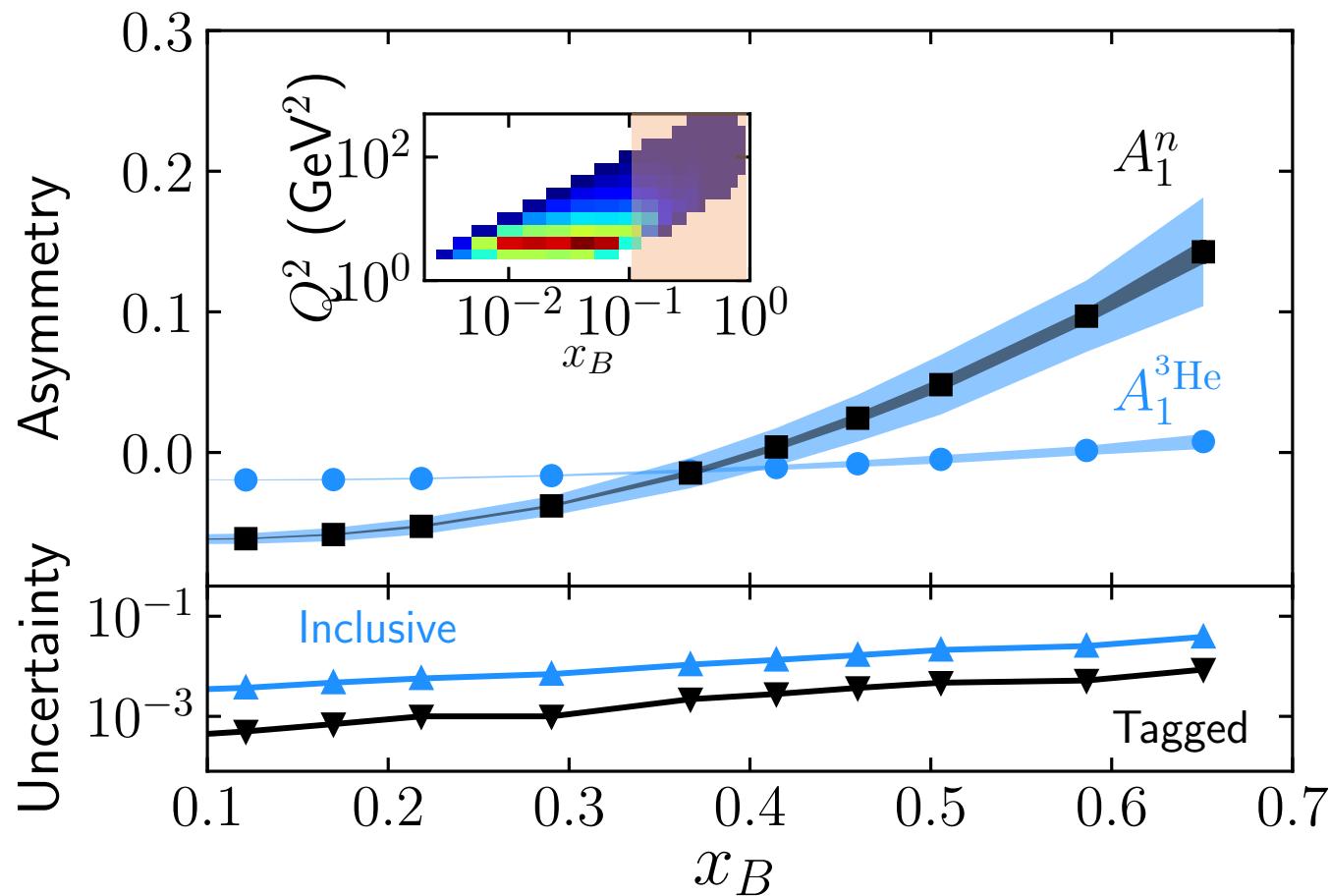
□ Extraction introduce a large systematic uncertainty

$$A_1^n \approx \frac{1}{P_n} \frac{F_2^{{}^3\text{He}}}{F_2^n} (A_1^{{}^3\text{He}} - 2P_p \frac{F_2^p}{F_2^{{}^3\text{He}}} A_1^p)$$

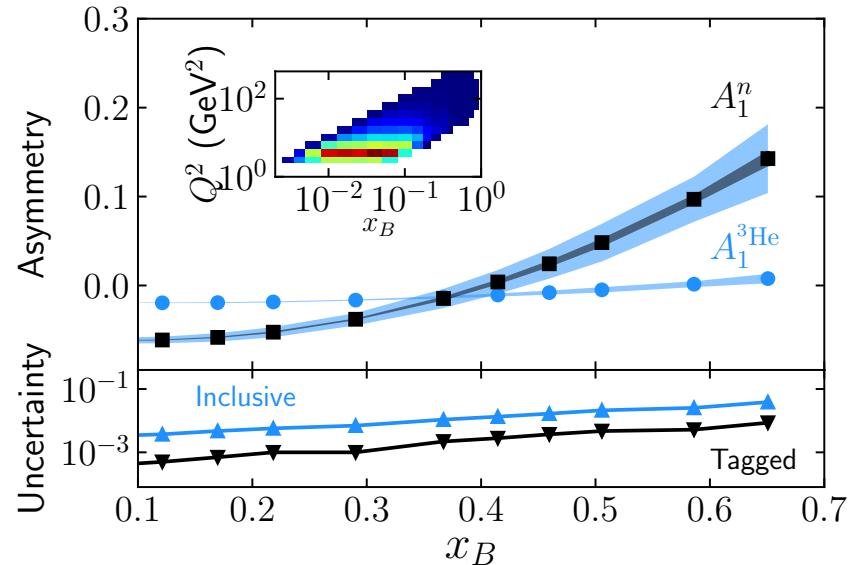
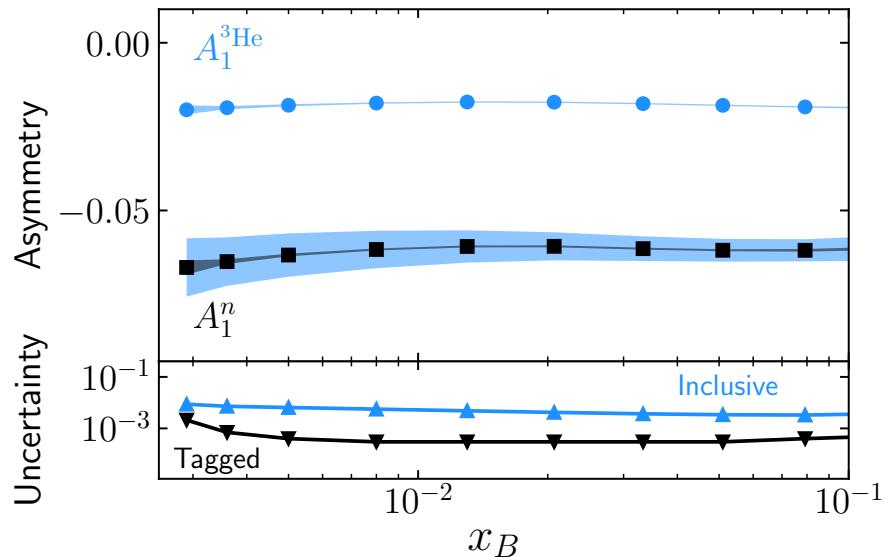
# Double Tagging Reduce $A_1^n$ Uncertainty



+ Valence-region Overlap \w JLab12 @  
higher- $Q^2$



# $A_1^n$ : Also cover low-x



- ❑ Double tagging @ EIC cover  $0.003 < x < 0.651$
- ❑ Significantly reduced model dependent uncertainty compare \w (e,e'):  $\times 10$  @  $x < 0.1$ ;  $\times 4$  @  $x > 0.1$

# Neutron Spin Structure from e-<sup>3</sup>He Scattering with Double Spectator Tagging at the Electron-Ion Collider

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## Conclusions

- ❑ EIC capable of double spectator tagging
- ❑ Minimize the model dependence for neutron spin structure
- ❑ Large coverage range of  $0.003 < x < 0.651$
- ❑ High-x reach limited by resolution
- ❑ Open many other potential physics measurement at EIC

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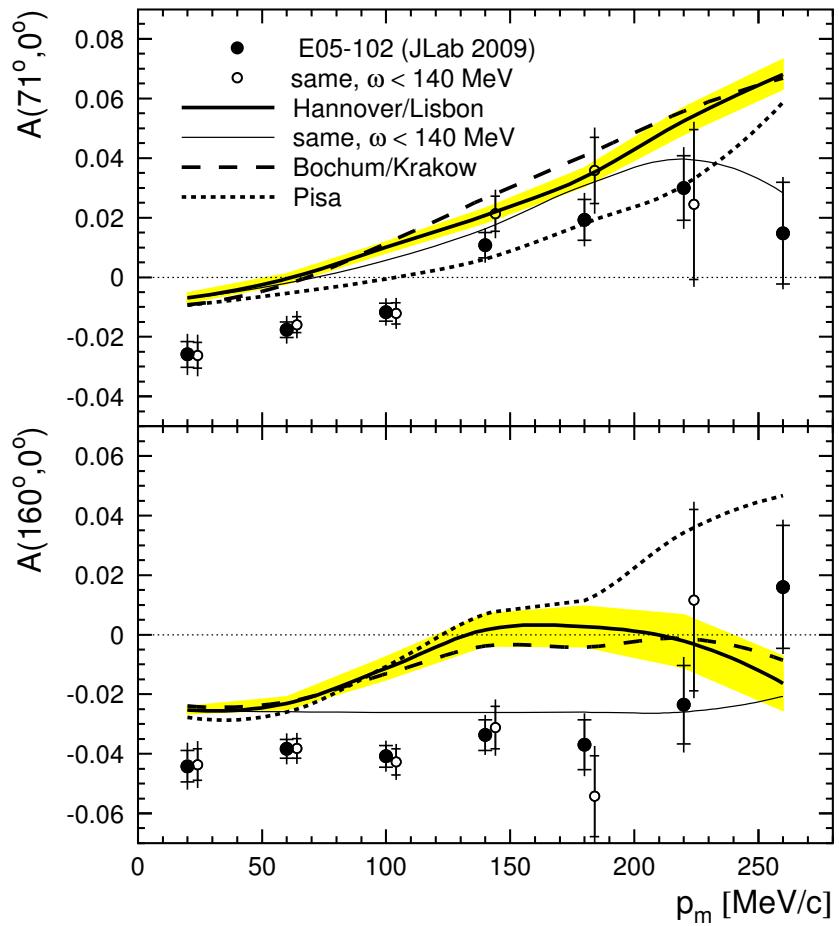
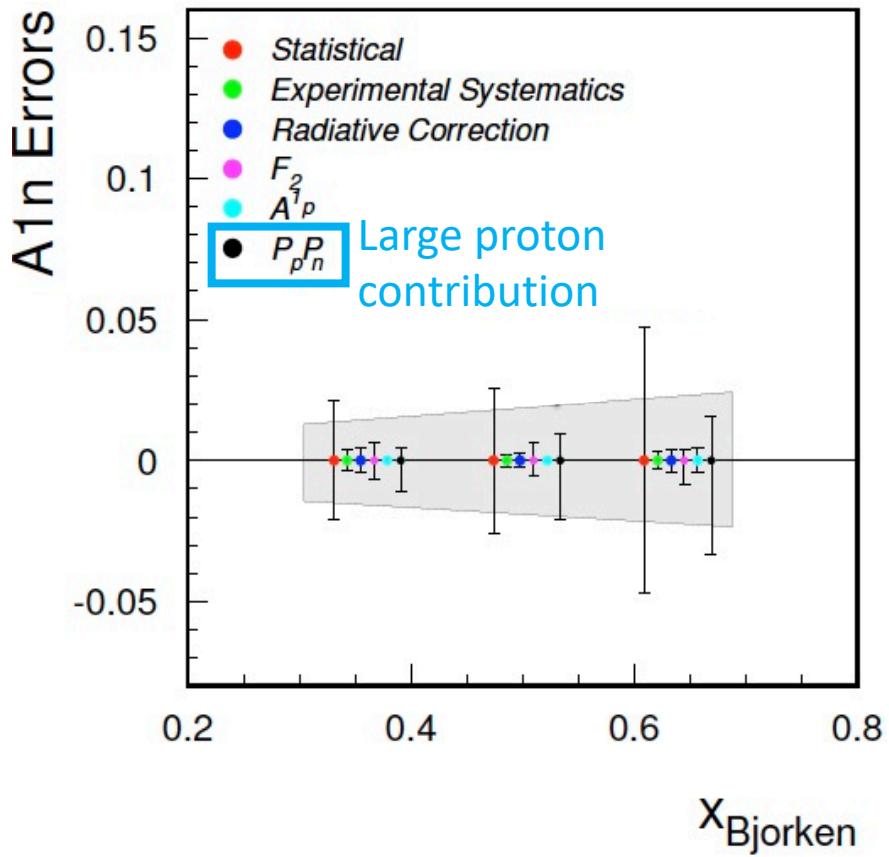
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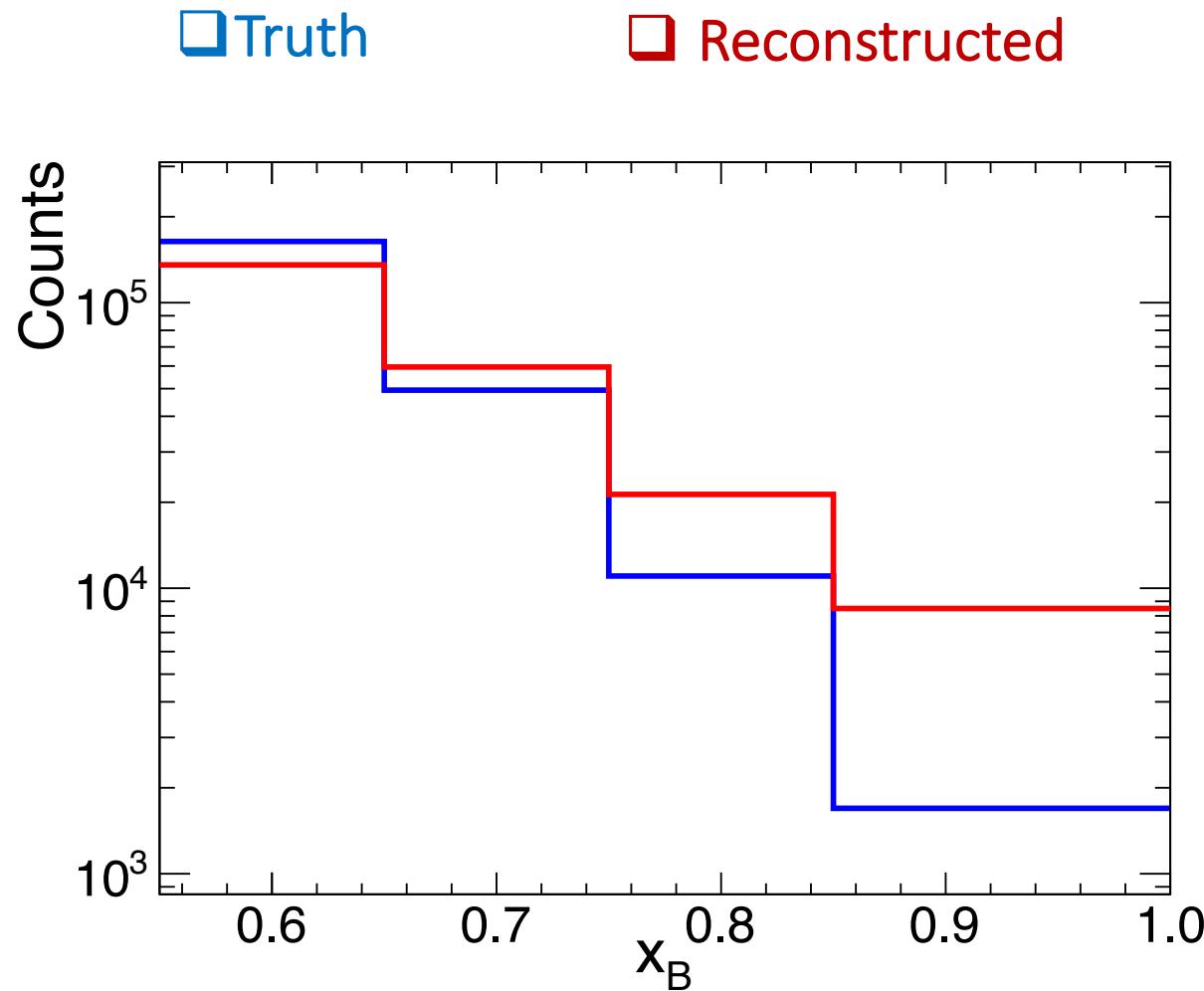
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# Inclusive extraction has large systematic uncertainties

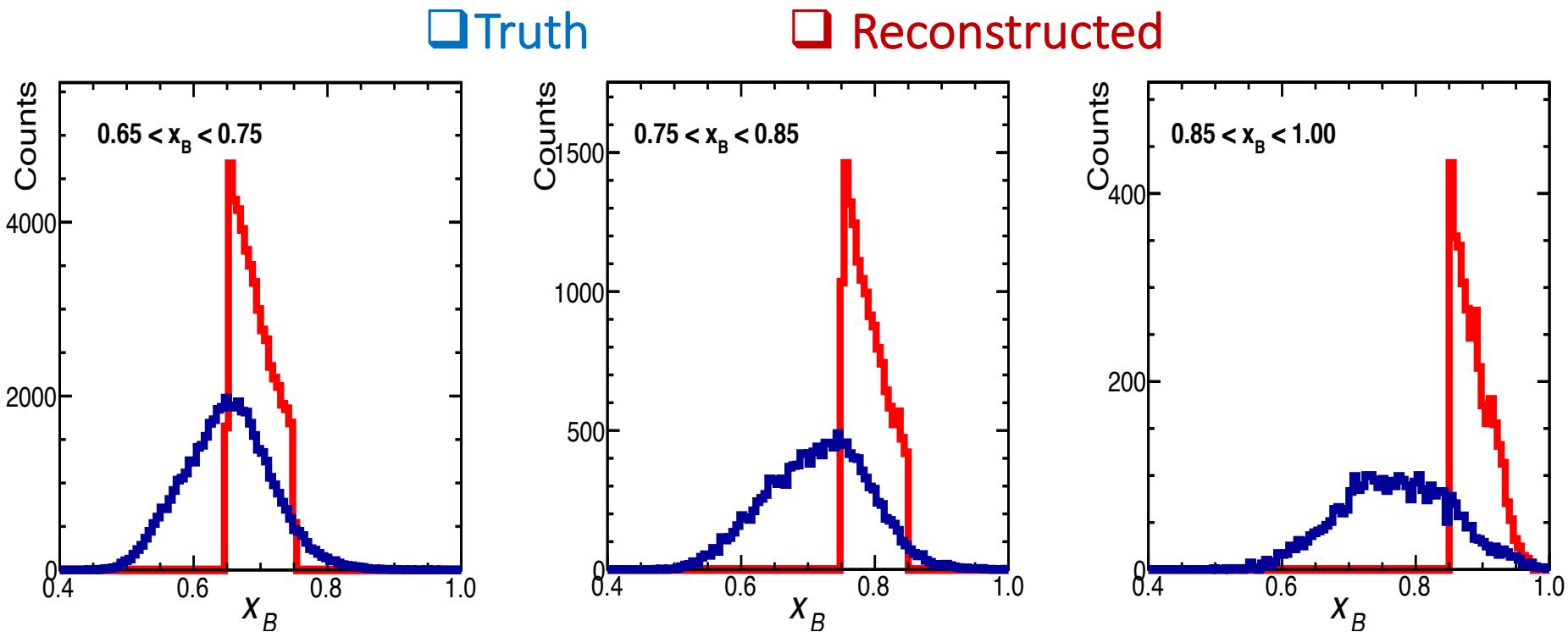
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# Large smearing @ high-x



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# $A_1^{^3\text{He}}$ prediction

$$A_1^{^3\text{He}} = P_n \frac{F_2^n}{F_2^{^3\text{He}}} A_1^n + 2P_p \frac{F_2^p}{F_2^{^3\text{He}}} A_1^p$$

◻  $A_1^n, A_1^p$  : E99117 fit

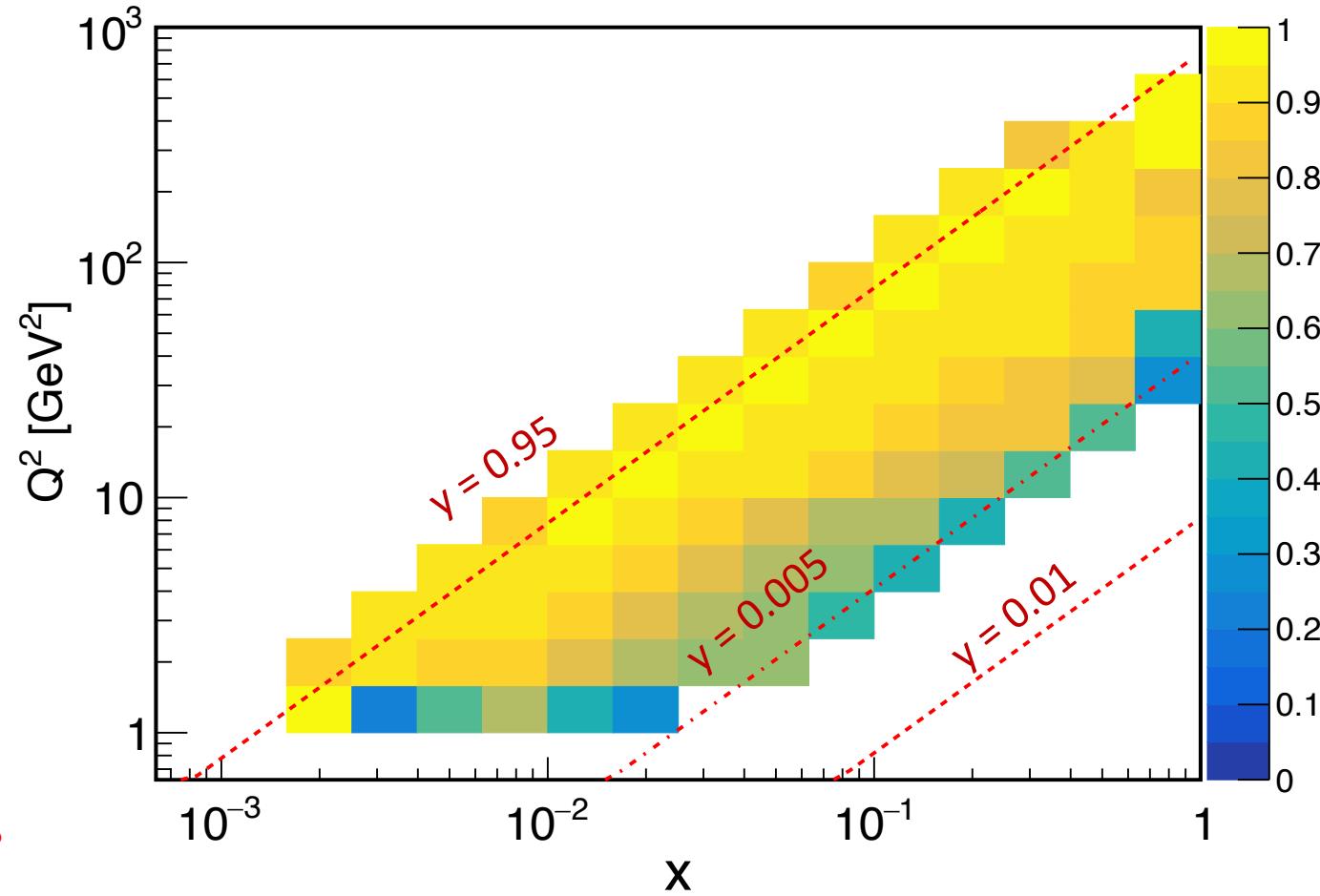
◻  $F_2^p, F_2^D$  : E155 fit

◻  $F_2^n = F_2^D - F_2^p$  ;  $F_2^{^3\text{He}} = F_2^D + F_2^p$

◻  $P_n = 0.86 \pm 0.02$  ;  $P_p = -0.028 \pm 0.004$

# Purity of reconstruction only uses the electron momentum information

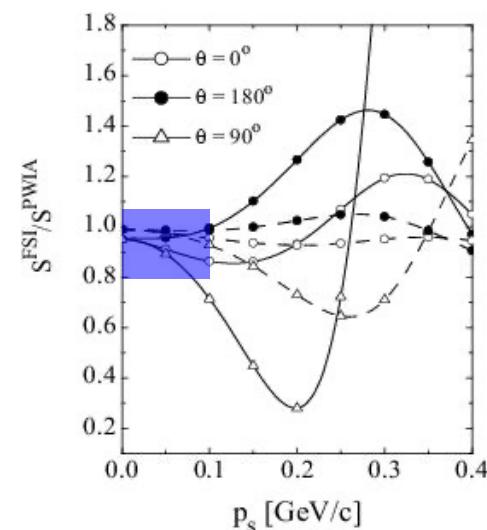
Electron Method (using track momentum) Purity



# Angle distribution: $\theta_{rq}$ : FSI

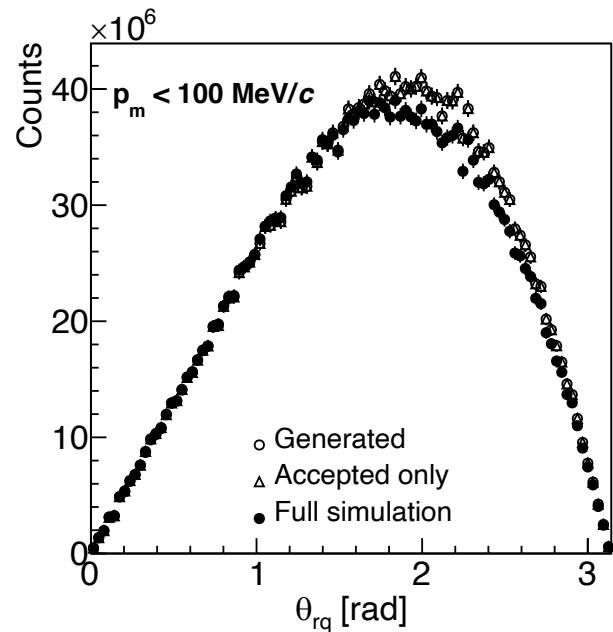
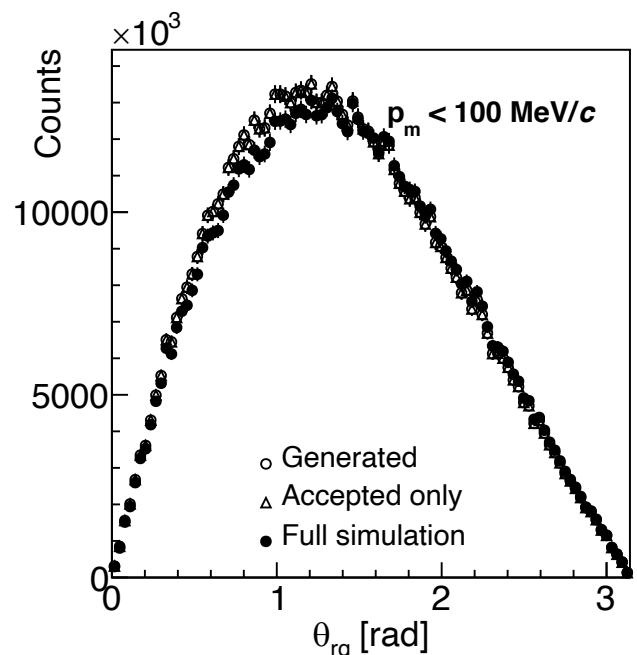
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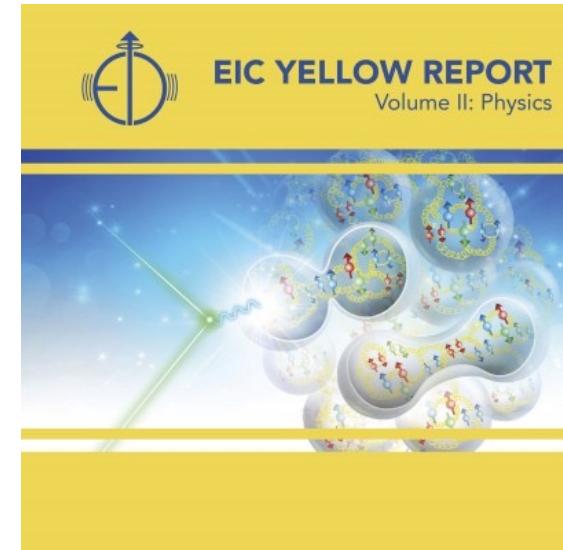


# Event generator and processing

## Generator:

- CLASDIS for inclusive and SIDIS based on PEPSI
- Unpolarized and polarized PDFs
- Generate event at fixed target frame
- No nuclear effect
- Boosted to collide frame

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## Fermi-correction:

- Using the light-cone spectral function
- Adding the motion of active nucleon
- Determine kinematic of spectators
- 2BBU, 3BBU, SRCs

## EIC simulation: EIC smear and EIC root

- Acceptance and resolution

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