# Direct TPE measurement using a positron beam

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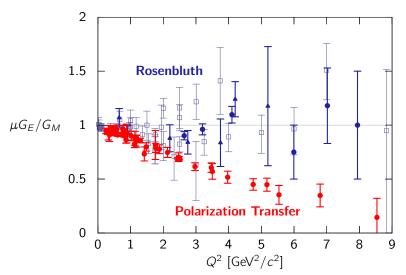
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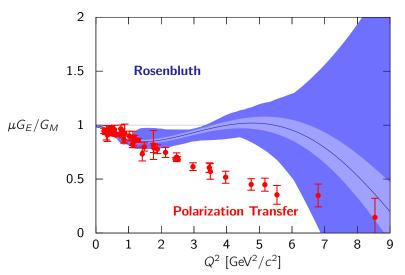




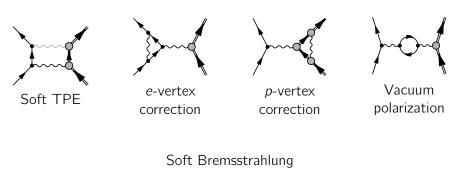
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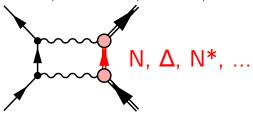






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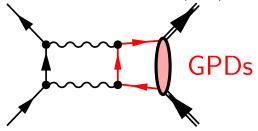


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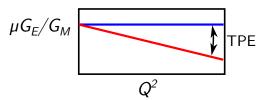
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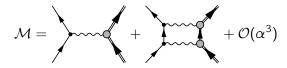
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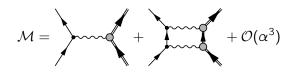
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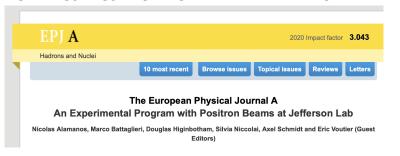
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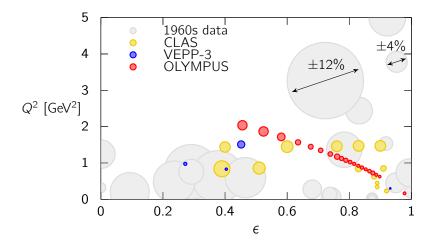
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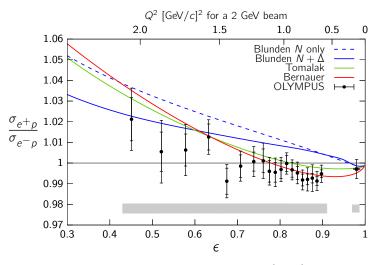
# Measuring TPE with positrons at JLab

- 1 Positron-proton / electron-proton cross section ratio
- Polarization transfer with positrons
- 3 New observables

### Three recent experiments measured hard TPE.

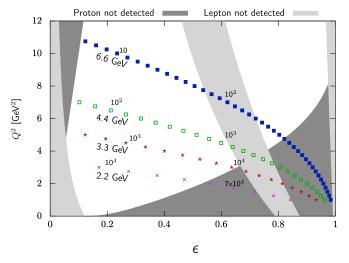


### OLYMPUS observed a small TPE effect.



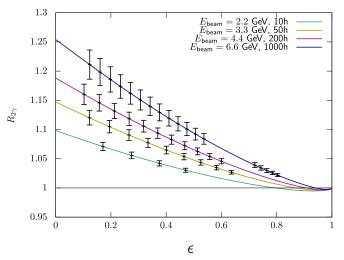
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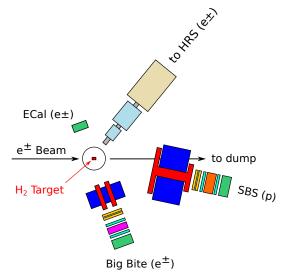
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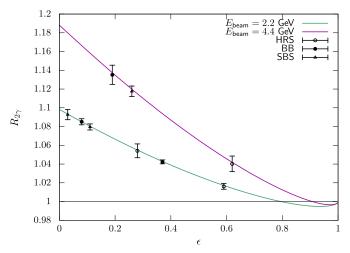


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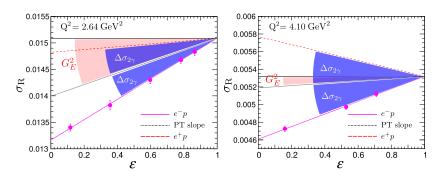


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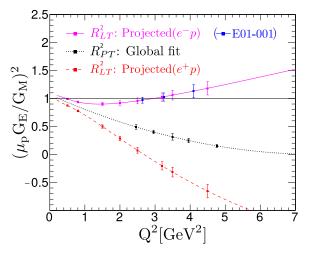
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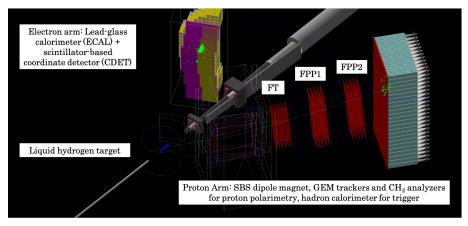
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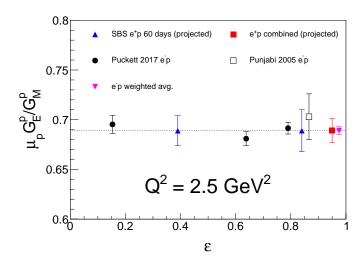
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With Super BigBite, even  $e^+$  polarization transfer would be feasible.



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 $e^+$  and  $e^-$  measurements can prove if  $\epsilon$ -dependence comes from TPE.



### Single-spin asymmetries with positrons

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#### Target-normal single spin asymmetries measured with positrons

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- Sensitive to imaginary part of TPE amplitude
- Separate TPE from T-violation
- First measurement on protons at JLab



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Single-spin transverse asymmetries are sensitive to the imaginary part of TPE.

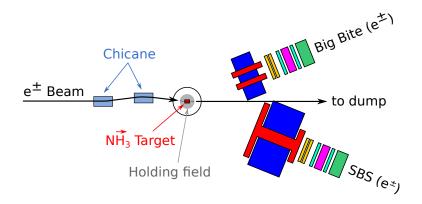
Target-normal:

$$A_{n} = \frac{\sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)}}{\sqrt{\tau} \left(G_{M}^{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{\tau} G_{E}^{2}\right)} \times \left[ -G_{M} \operatorname{Im} \left(\delta \tilde{G}_{E} + \frac{\nu}{M^{2}} \tilde{F}_{3}\right) + G_{E} \operatorname{Im} \left(\delta \tilde{G}_{M} + \frac{2\epsilon\nu}{M^{2}(1+\epsilon)} \tilde{F}_{3}\right) \right] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^{4})$$

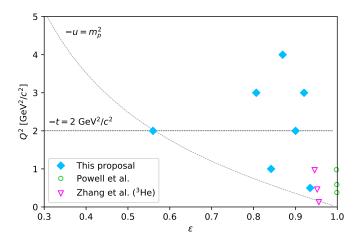
Beam Normal:

$$\begin{split} B_n &= \frac{4mM\sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)(1+\tau)}}{Q^2\left(G_M^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{\tau}G_E^2\right)} \times \\ &\left[ -\tau G_M \text{Im} \left(\tilde{F}_3 + \frac{\nu}{M^2(1+\tau)}\tilde{F}_5\right) - G_E \text{Im} \left(\tilde{F}_4 + \frac{\nu}{M^2(1+\tau)}\tilde{F}_5\right) \right] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^4) \end{split}$$

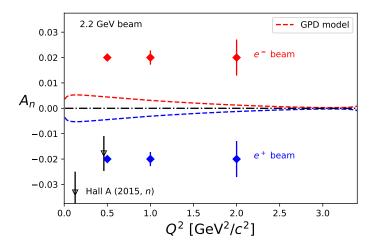
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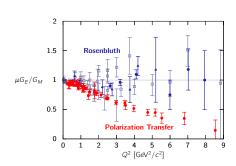
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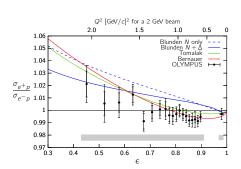
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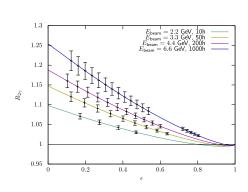
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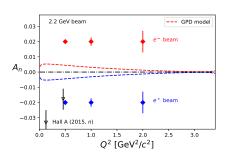
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#### Conclusions:

- The proton form factor discrepancy is uncomfortable, both for high- $Q^2$  form factors and for the upcoming campaign to map 3D nucleon structure.
- The most interesting and useful TPE measurements are  $3 \le Q^2 \le 5$  GeV<sup>2</sup>, to build a bridge between hadronic and partonic theory models.
- A positron beam at Jefferson Lab would allow conclusive measurements as well as open up new observables.

Check out our white paper:

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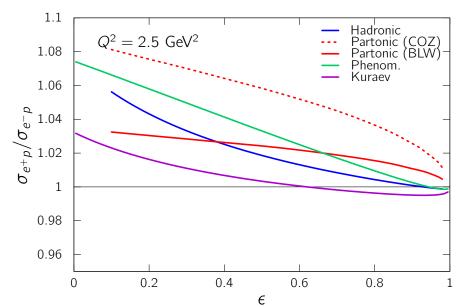
# Back Up

## Two-photon exchange concepts at Jefferson Lab

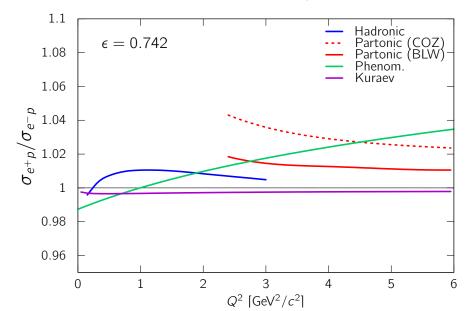
- $\bullet$   $e^+p/e^-p$  at CLAS12
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  - Campaign to map out TPE once and for all
- $\bullet$   $e^+p/e^-p$  at SBS
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- $\bullet$   $e^+p$  super-Rosenbluth, Hall C
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  - Demonstrate opposite bias in  $G_E/G_M$

- $\bullet$   $e^+A/e^-A$  in Hall C
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  - First measurement of TPE on nuclei
- e<sup>+</sup> polarization transfer at SBS
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  - Show  $\epsilon$ -dependence comes from TPE
- Target-normal single spin asymmetry at SBS
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  - Imaginary part of TPE amplitude

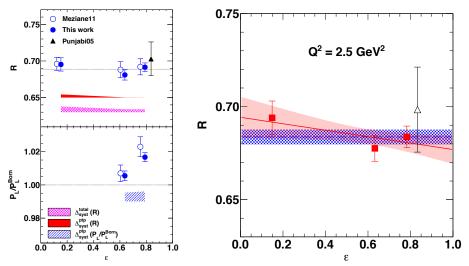
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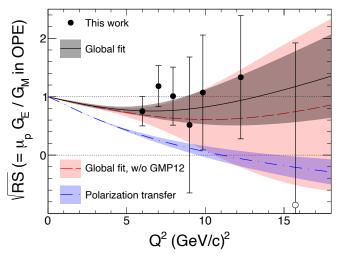


# GEp-2 $\gamma$ showed surprising $\epsilon$ -dependence of $P_l$ .



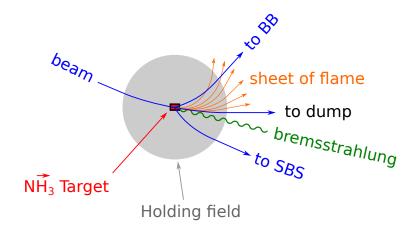
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GMp results show that the FF discrepancy persists at high  $Q^2$ .



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Transverse asymmetries do not violate parity.

