

# Electroweak Physics with SoLID and a future positron beam at JLab

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An experimental program with high duty-cycle polarized and unpolarized positron beams at Jefferson Lab

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Accessing weak neutral-current coupling  $g_{AA}^{eq}$  using positron and electron beams at Jefferson Lab

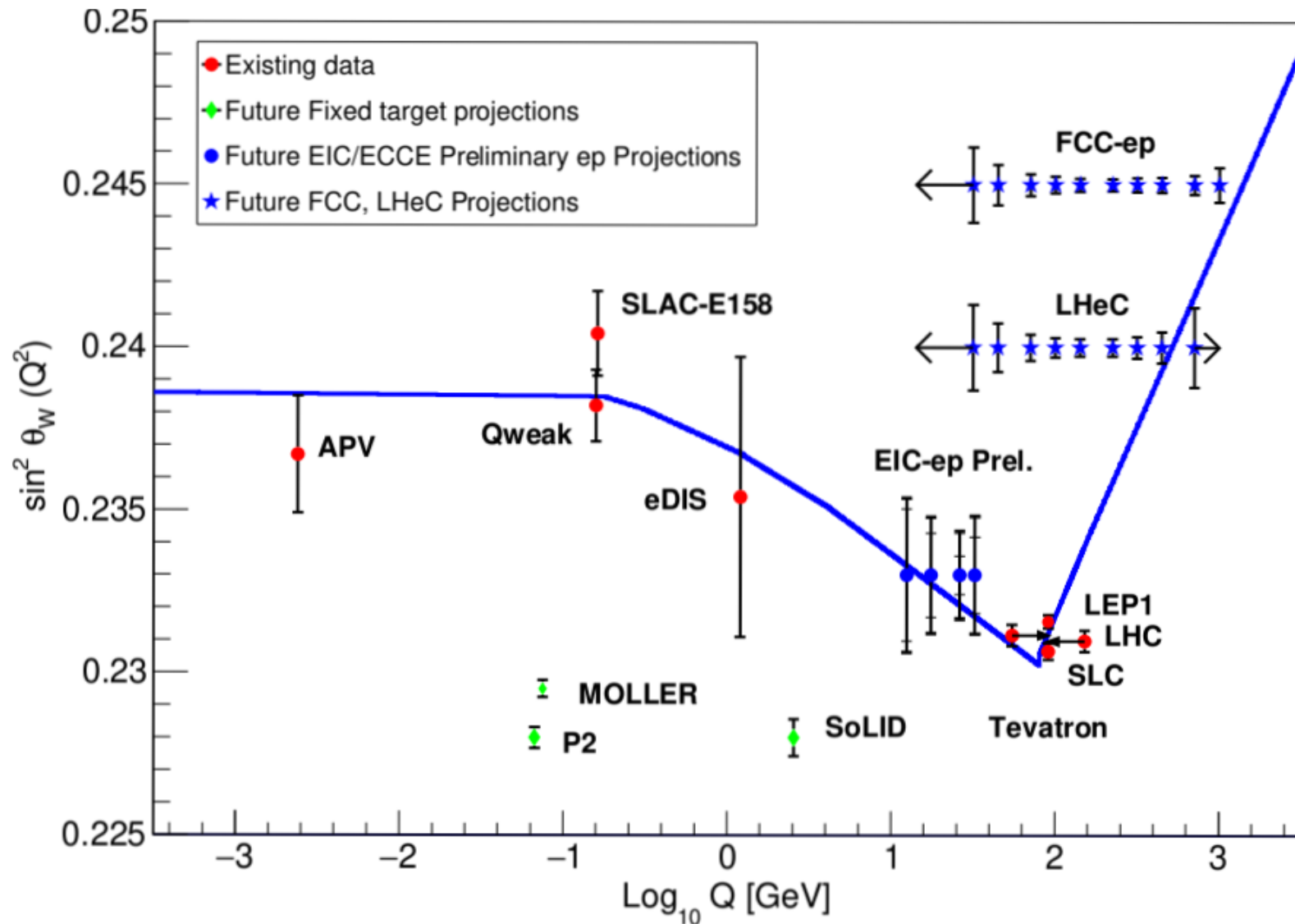
(A New Proposal to Jefferson Lab PAC-49)

Measurement of the Asymmetry  $A_d^{e^+e^-}$  between  $e^+ - {}^2\text{H}$  and  $e^- - {}^2\text{H}$   
Deep Inelastic Scattering Using SoLID and PEPPo at JLab

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~~(pending approval from JLab Hall A and SoLID Collaborations)~~

# The Landscape of Electroweak Physics Study



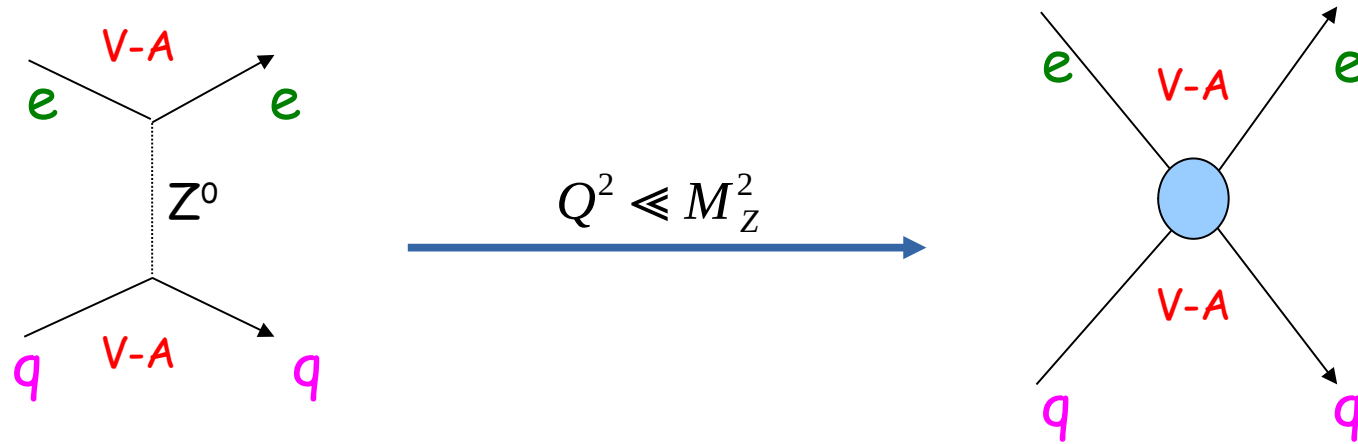
EIC projections from [arxiv.org/2204.07557](https://arxiv.org/abs/2204.07557) [hep-ph]

LHeC projection (60GeV x 7 TeV,  $\sim 1000\text{fb}^{-1}$ ) from EPJC 80 (2020) 9, 831 [arxiv.org/2007.11799](https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.11799);

FCC-ep projections: priv. comm. D. Britzger

(points with uncertainties comparable to or smaller than Qweak are shown, full range shown as arrows)

# Neutral-Current Effective Couplings in (Low Energy) Electron Scattering



$$L_{NC}^{lq} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_q \left[ C_{0q} \bar{l} \gamma^\mu l \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q + C_{1q} \bar{e} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 l \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q + C_{2q} \bar{e} \gamma^\mu e \bar{q} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 q + C_{3q} \bar{l} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 l \bar{q} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 q \right]$$

VV (identical to  $\gamma$ )

AV, VA (parity-violating)

AA

$$C_{1u} = 2 g_A^e g_V^u = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{4}{3} \sin^2(\theta_W) \quad C_{2u} = 2 g_V^e g_A^u = -\frac{1}{2} + 2 \sin^2(\theta_W) \quad C_{3u} = -2 g_A^e g_A^u = \frac{1}{2}$$

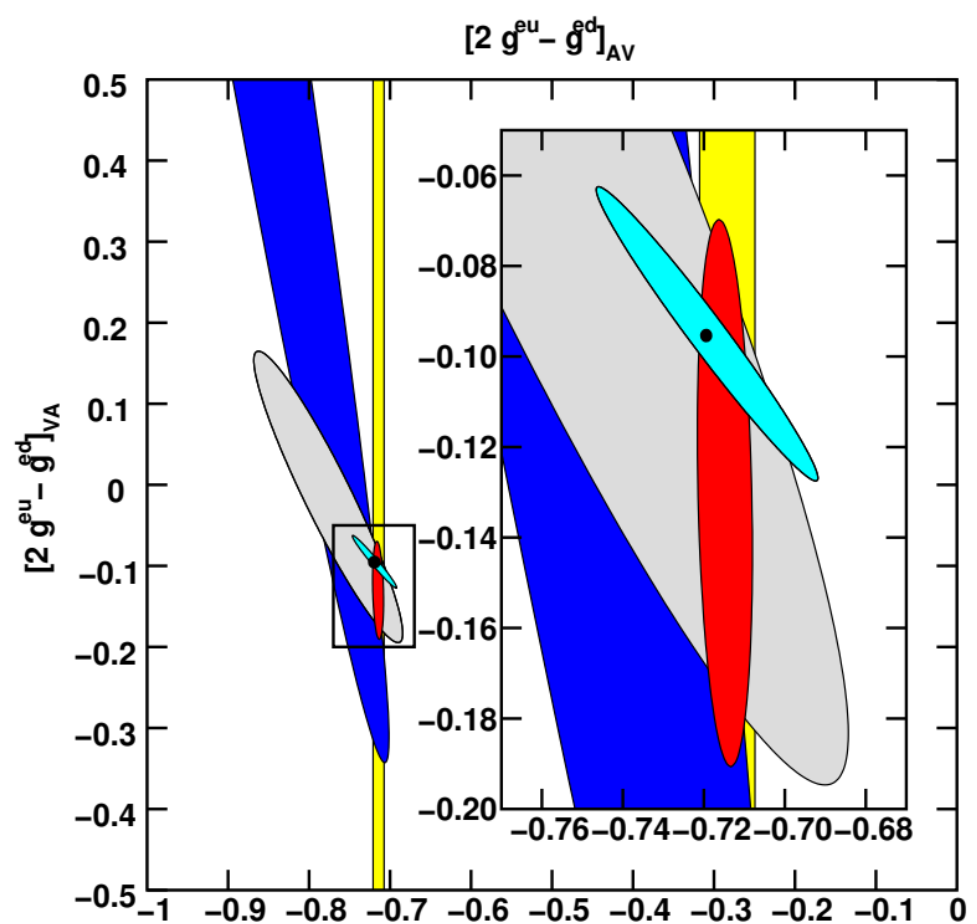
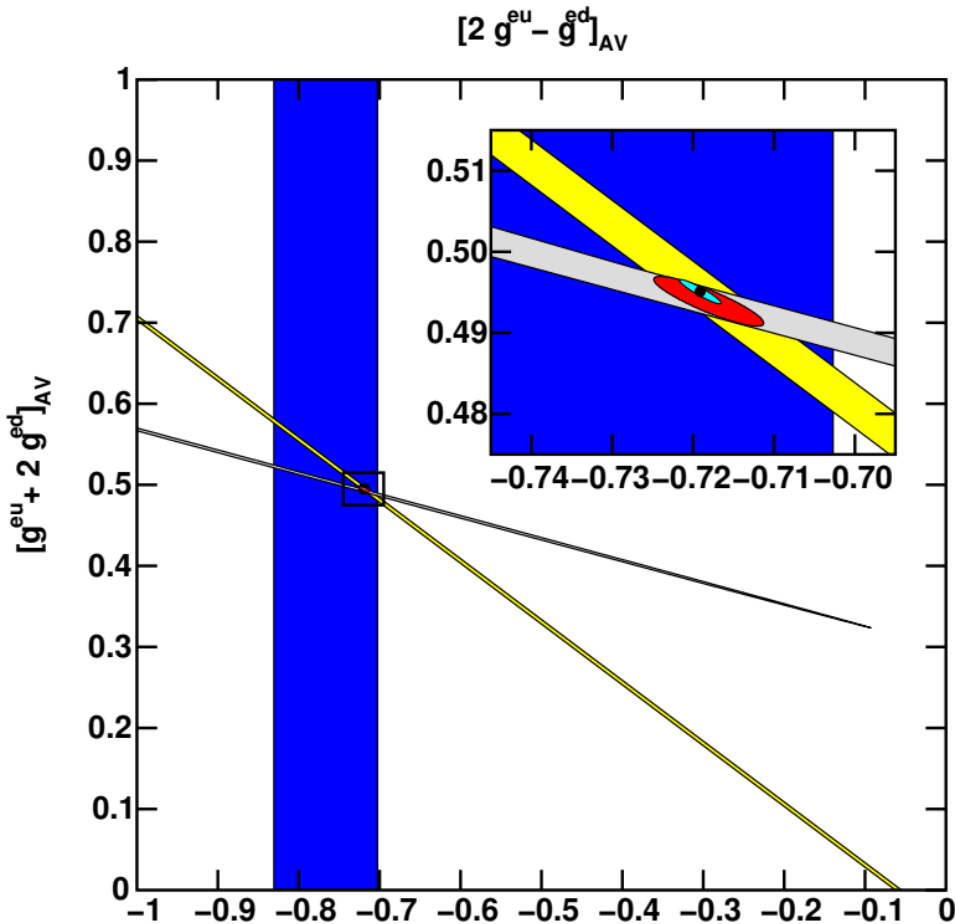
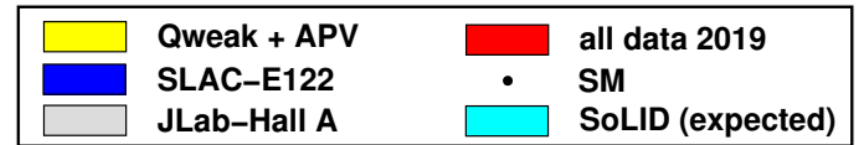
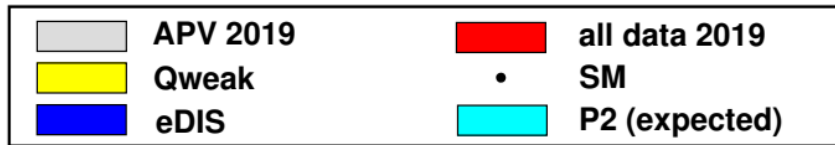
$$C_{1d} = 2 g_A^e g_V^d = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} \sin^2(\theta_W) \quad C_{2d} = 2 g_V^e g_A^d = \frac{1}{2} - 2 \sin^2(\theta_W) \quad C_{3d} = -2 g_A^e g_A^d = -\frac{1}{2}$$

- A new set of notation  $g_{AV, VA, AA}^{eq}$  introduced in 2013 – [Erler&Su, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 71, 119 \(2013\)](#)
- Example: In PVES, we can measure  $C_{1,2}$

# Current Knowledge on $C_{1q}, C_{2q}$

all are 68% C.L. limit

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.12555>



CERN for muon:  $2C_{3u}^{\mu q} - C_{3d}^{\mu q} = 1.57 \pm 0.38$

[Argento et al., PLB120B, 245 \(1983\)](#)



# In the Parton Model (low energy)

$$A_{RL}^{e^{\pm}} = \frac{\sigma_R^{e^{\pm}} - \sigma_L^{e^{\pm}}}{\sigma_R^{e^{\pm}} + \sigma_L^{e^{\pm}}}$$

$$(A_{RL}^{e^{\pm}} = -A_{LR}^{e^{\pm}})$$

$$A_d = |\lambda| (108 \text{ ppm}) Q^2 \left[ (2C_{1u} - C_{1d}) + Y(y) (2C_{2u} - C_{2d}) R_V(x) \right]$$

beam polarization

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$$A_{RL,d}^{e^+e^-} = (108 \text{ ppm}) Q^2 Y(y) R_V(x) \left[ |\lambda| (2C_{2u} - C_{2d}) - (2C_{3u} - C_{3d}) \right]$$

(flip  $|\lambda|$  for LR)

“B” in CERN measurement

$$A_{RR}^{e^+e^-} = \frac{\sigma_R^{e^+} - \sigma_R^{e^-}}{\sigma_R^{e^+} + \sigma_R^{e^-}}$$

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(flip  $|\lambda|$  for LL)

(no polarization needed!)

$$A_{unpol}^{e^+e^-} = \frac{\sigma^{e^+} - \sigma^{e^-}}{\sigma^{e^+} + \sigma^{e^-}}$$

$$A_d^{e^+e^-} = -(108 \text{ ppm}) Q^2 Y(y) R_V(x) (2C_{3u} - C_{3d})$$

“direct” access to  $2C_{3u} - C_{3d}$

# $e^+e^-$ for Structure Function Study

Approximately: 
$$A_{\text{unpol}}^{e^+e^-} = \frac{G_F Q^2}{2\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} \frac{g_A^e}{2} Y(y) \frac{F_3^{\gamma Z}}{F_1^\gamma}$$
 (in Apv,  $F_3^{\gamma Z}$  is suppressed by  $g_V^e$ )

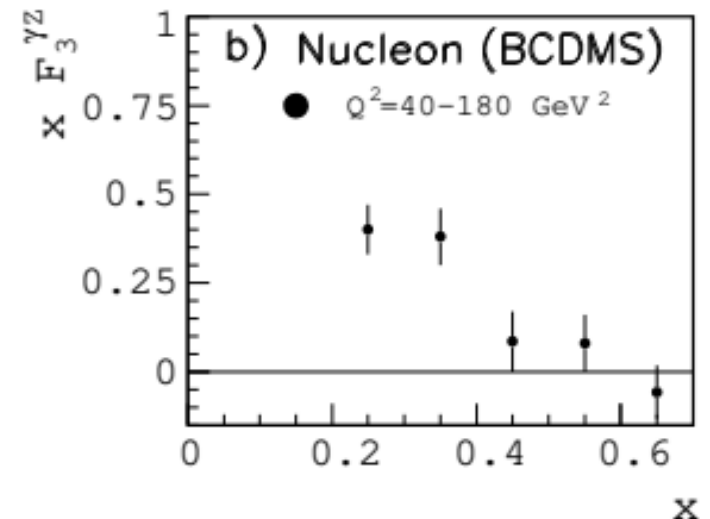
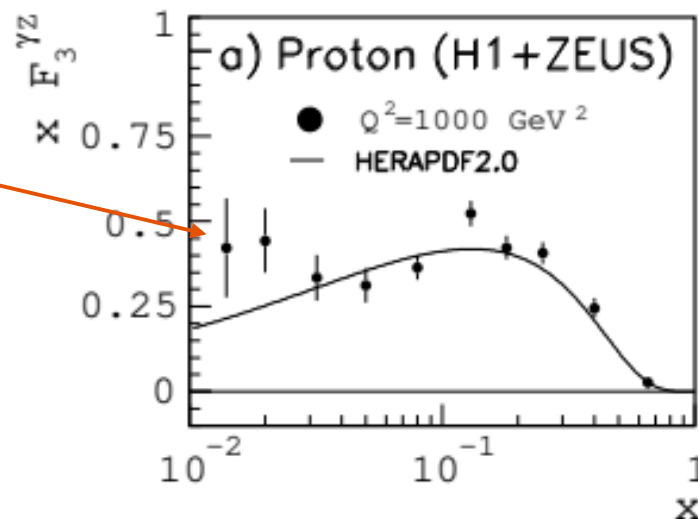
In the parton model:

$$F_1^\gamma(x, Q^2) = 1/2 \sum Q_q^2 [q + \bar{q}]$$

$$F_3^{\gamma Z}(x, Q^2) = 2 \sum g_A^q [q - \bar{q}]$$

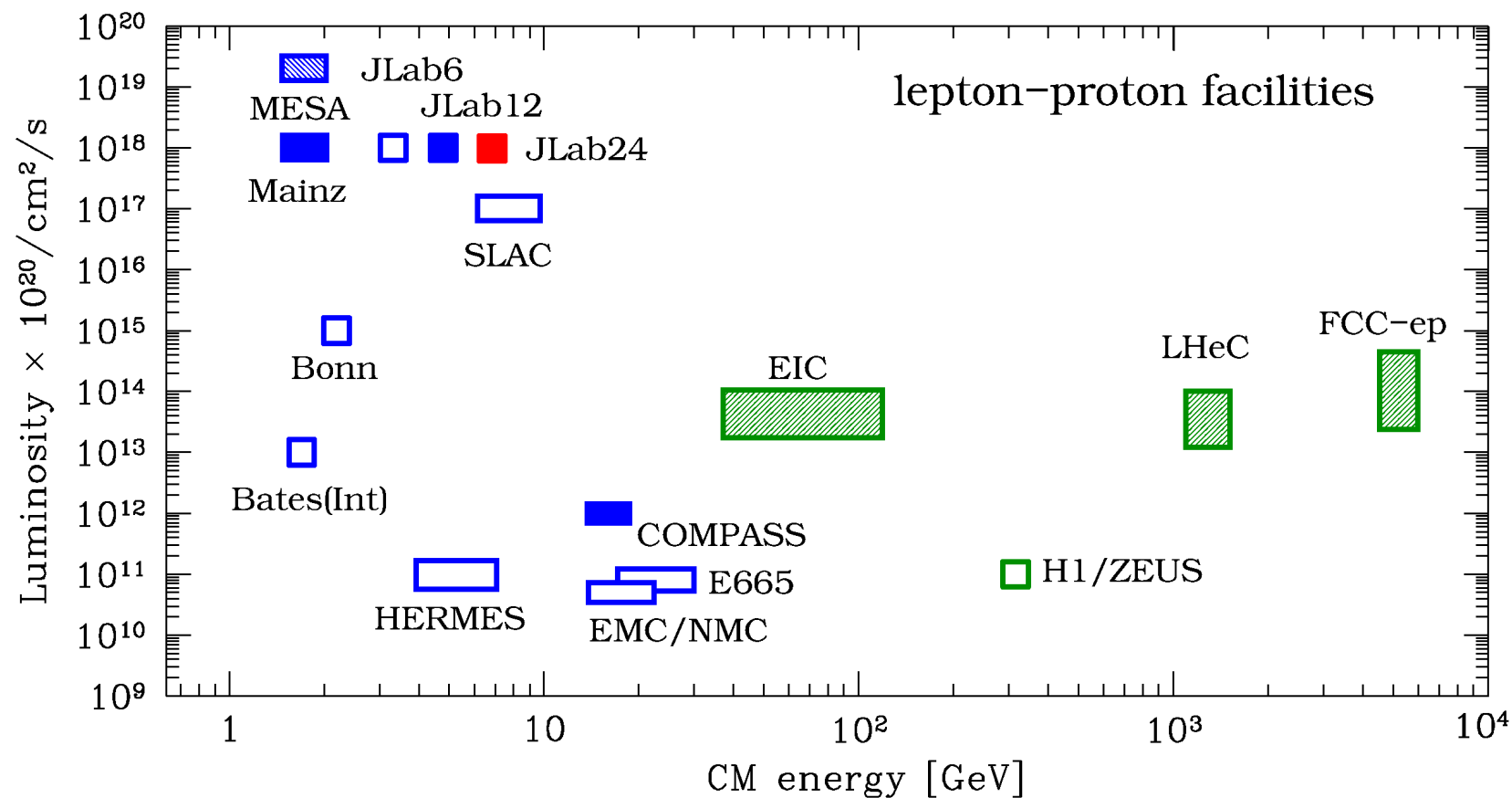
Low x HERA data pose question on

$$q_{\text{sea}} = \bar{q}_{\text{sea}}$$

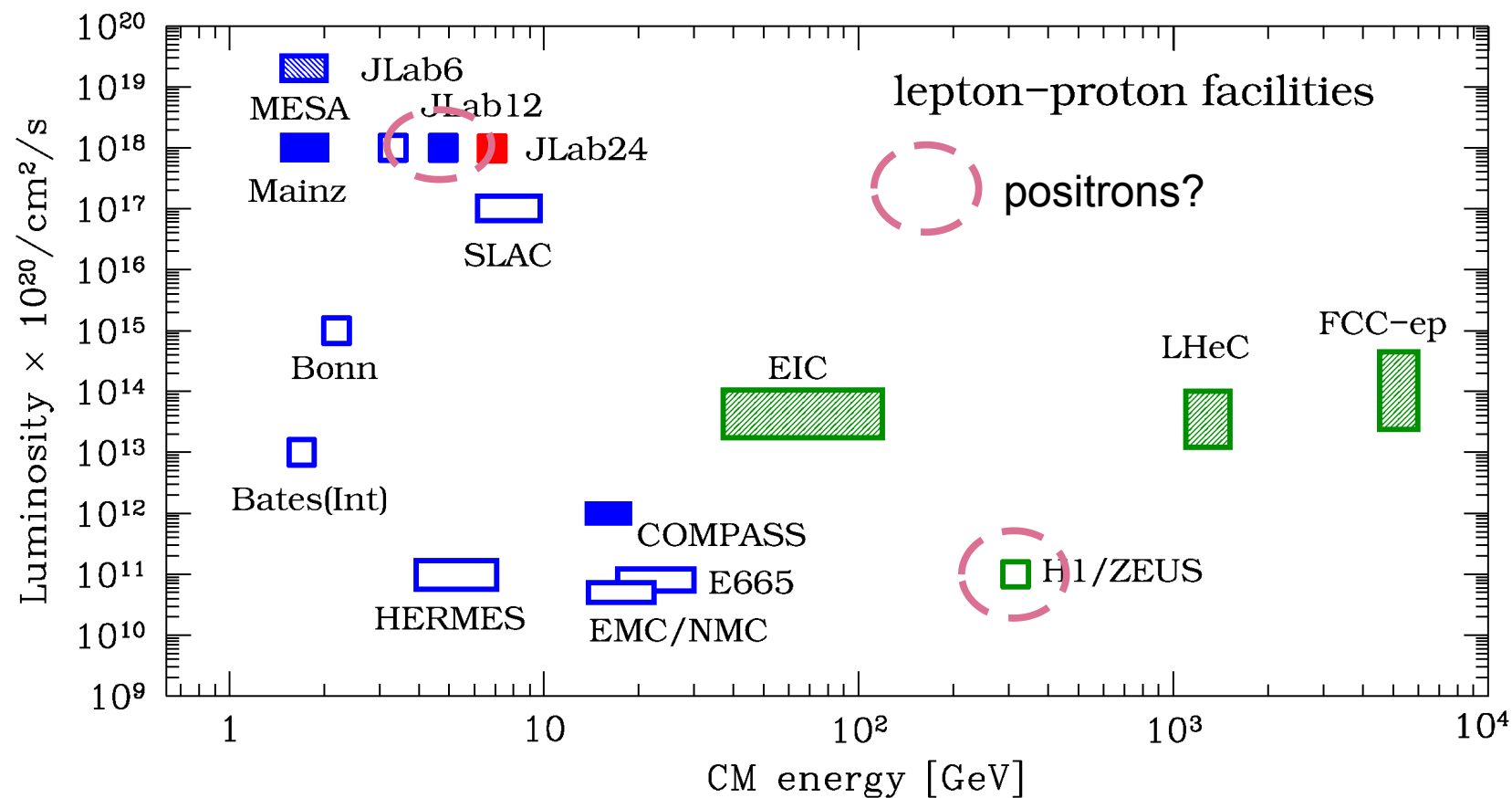


By measuring  $A_{p,d}^{e^+e^-}$  we can access  $F_3^{\gamma Z}(x, Q^2)$

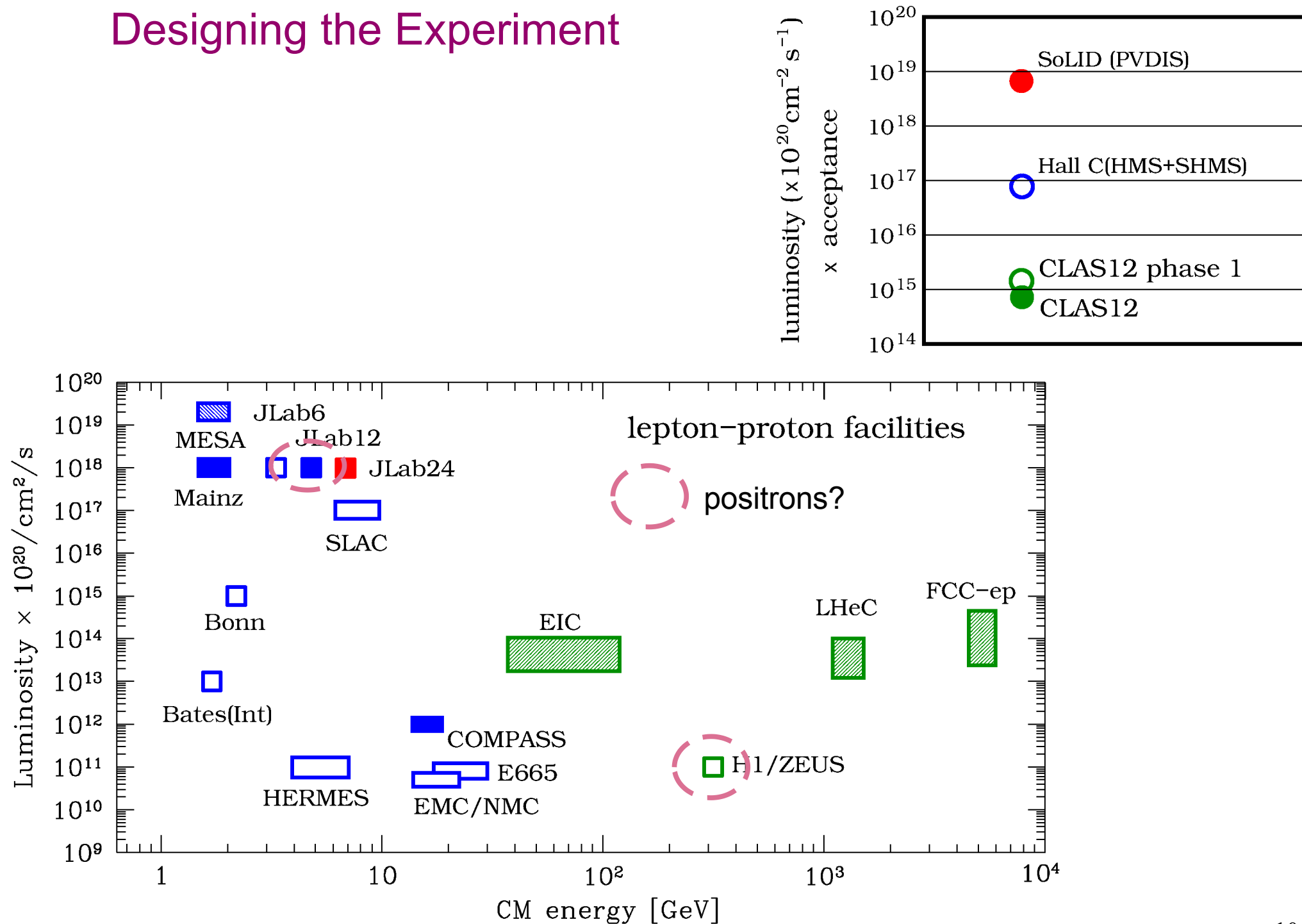
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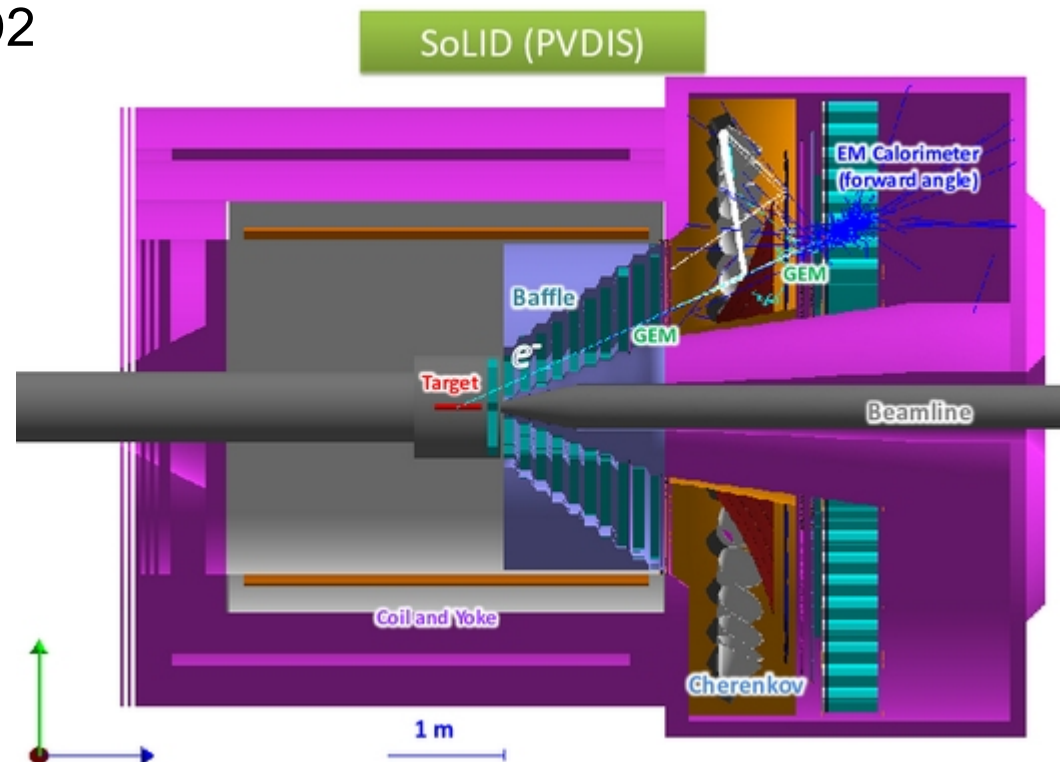
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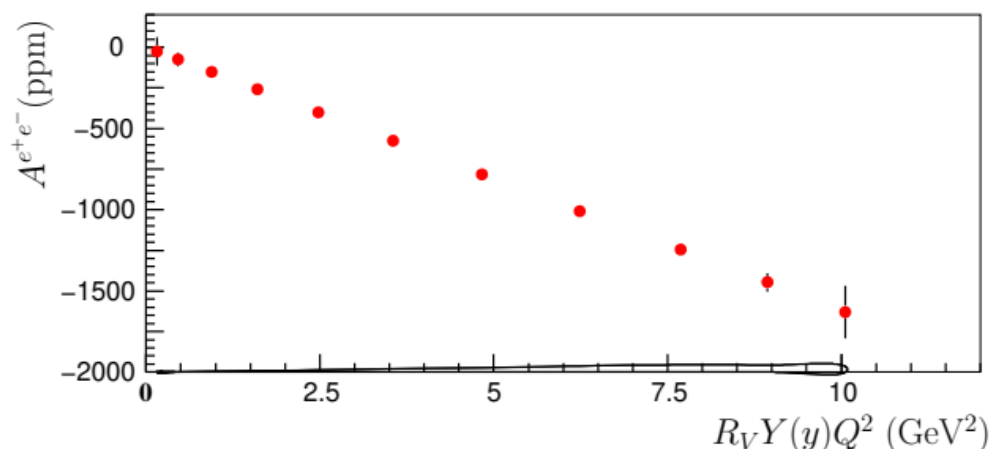


# Designing the Experiment

- ◆ **SoLID PVDIS** configuration + 40cm LD2
- ◆ **PEPPo**: 3uA unpolarized beam
- ◆ **Reverse magnet** polarity of SoLID for positron detection



if we consider only statistics and assume  $A=0$  at  $Q^2=0$ :



$$A_d^{e^+e^-} = -(108 \text{ ppm}) Q^2 Y R_V (2C_{3u} - C_{3d})$$

$$\rightarrow 1.5 \pm 0.007$$

## Experimental challenges:

- beam energy difference
- beam luminosity difference
- beam position difference
- charged pion background
- pair production background
- magnet and detector stability





## Theoretical challenges: – higher-order QED corrections



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# PR12-21-006 Lepton Charge Asymmetry

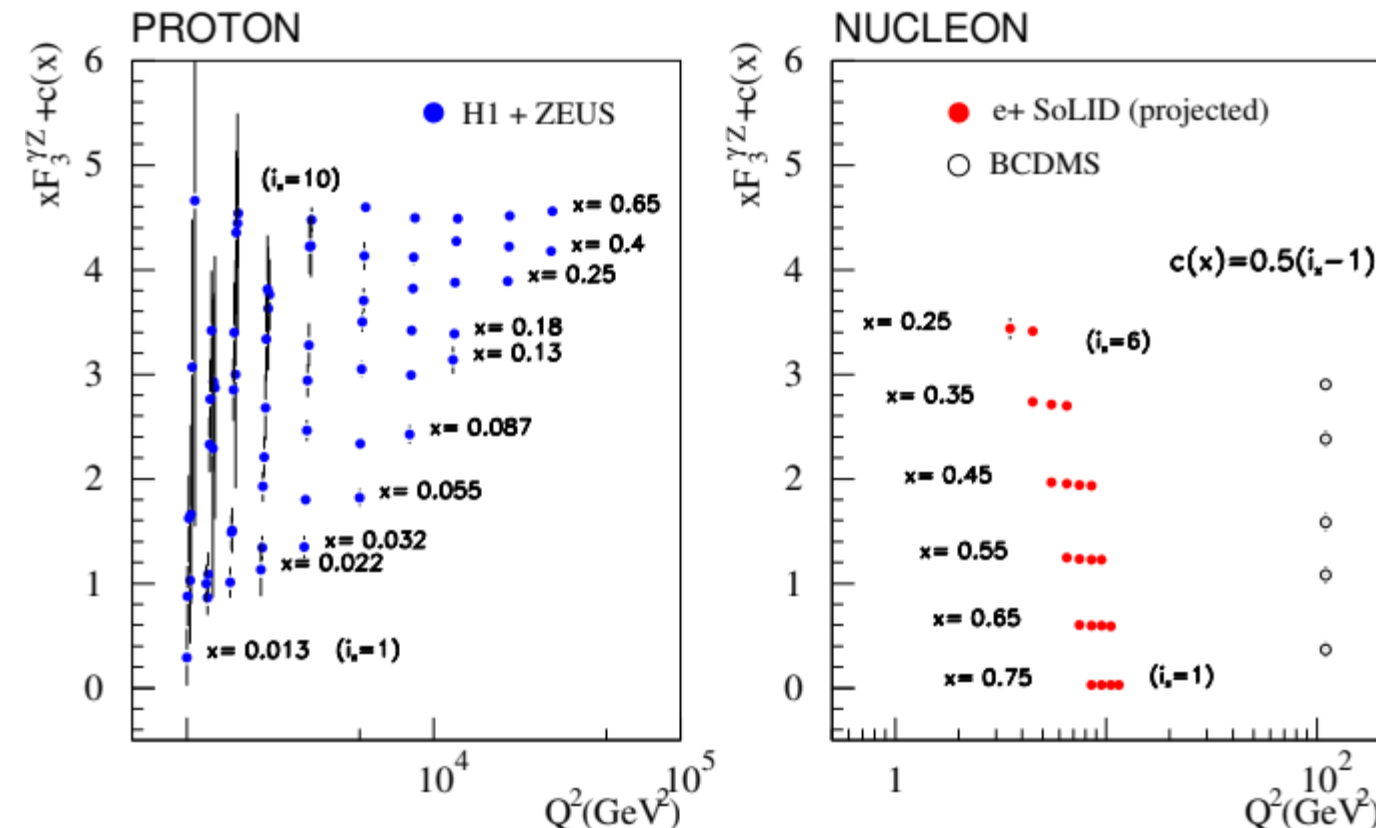
- 104 PAC days
- positron beam 3uA unpolarized
- beam control (1E-4 beam energy, ? beam position, “fast switch”)

$$\Delta(2C_{3u} - C_{3d})_{\text{total}} = \pm 0.053(\text{exp}) \pm 0.009(1\% \text{ QED}) \\ + 0.000 - 0.035(\text{HT, CJ15}) \approx \pm 0.060$$

## PAC49 report:

**Issues:** The PAC is pleased to see such an interesting and far-reaching proposal. ... At the same time, the requirements on the accelerator and theory are both daunting.

**Summary:** ... leads us to defer the proposal in its present form.



# Summary

- By comparing  $e^-$  vs.  $e^+$  DIS cross section, we can form lepton-charge asymmetry that is directly proportional to a new set of eq EW NC coupling:  $C_{3q}$  or  $g_{AA}$ .
- So far, challenges in both experimental and theoretical systematic effects are both daunting and require further work to make the measurement compelling.
- A phased-approach can also be considered: study TPE in DIS using 11 GeV and EW physics with a 22 GeV ( $e^+$ ) beam.

# Backup



# Summary of Challenges and Why They Exist?

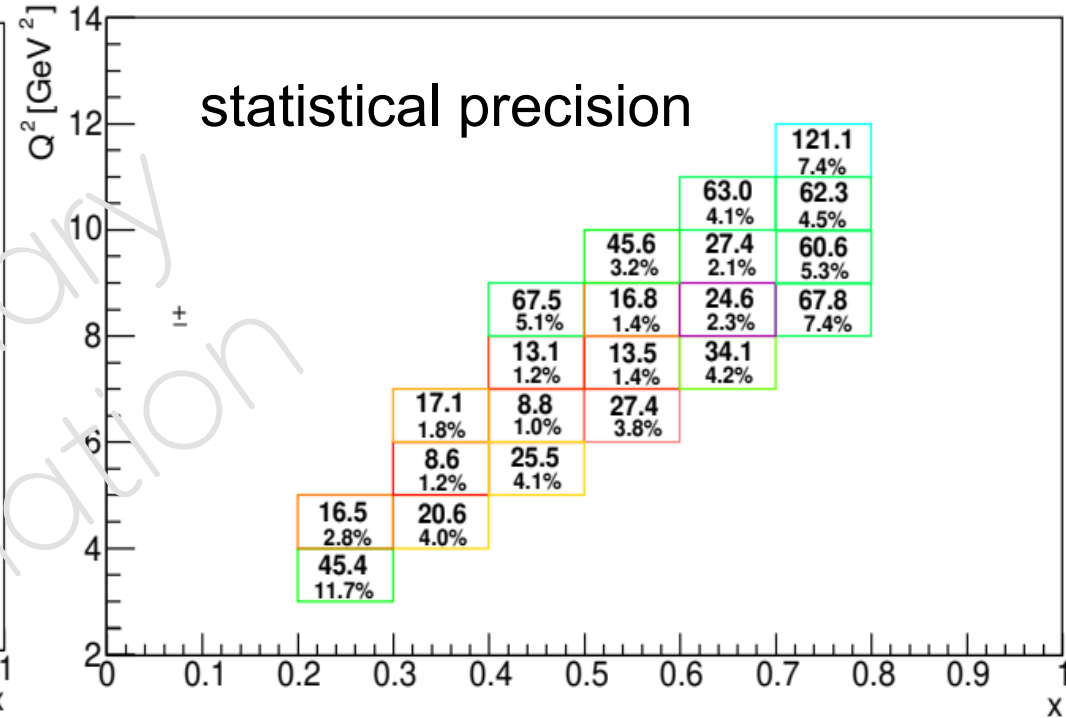
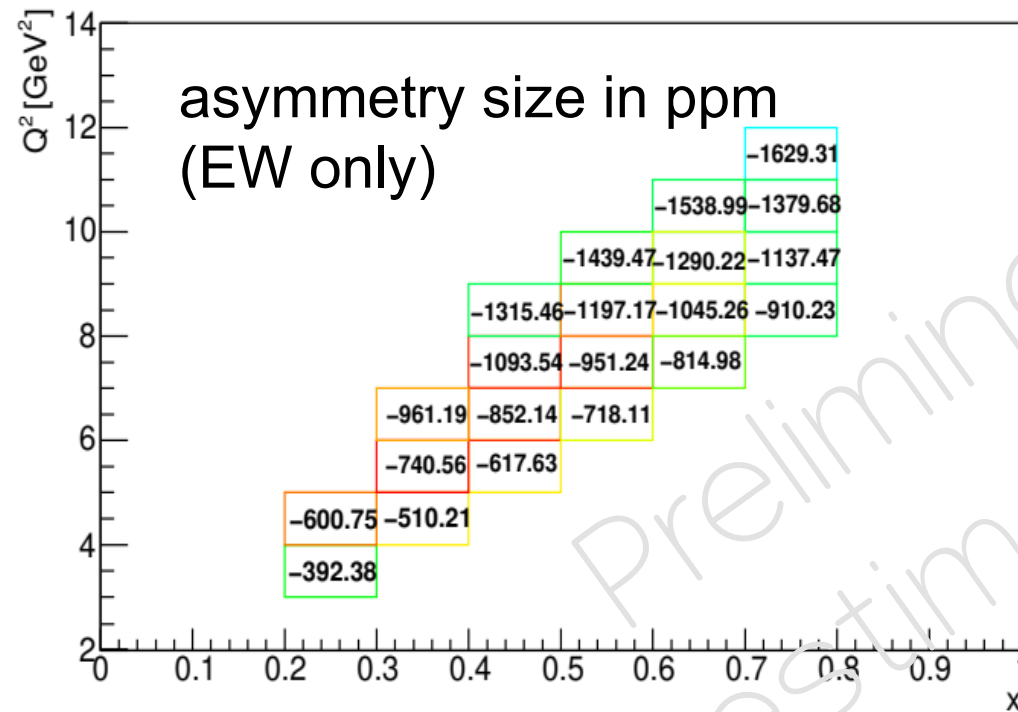
- With a positron beam, the best physics impact comes from comparison between  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  scattering, rather than measuring the same observable (e.g.  $A_{PV}$ ) as electrons
- If positron vs. electron comparison is our goal, then all systematic effect related to the beam need to be controlled to high precision
- Frequent (“weekly”) and fast switch between  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  beams is required to control differences in beam and run conditions → impact on positron beam design.
- Measurements where signal is tiny (EW physics) will be extremely difficult

- Particle background effects on the detector, trigger, and DAQ system.

- There is no well established calculation for TPE (QED NLO) in DIS. All previous (SLAC) data indicated zero but with poor precision;
- HERA data provided only slight constraint on QED NLO in DIS

- We could consider a “phase” approach: study DIS TPE first, then EW physics

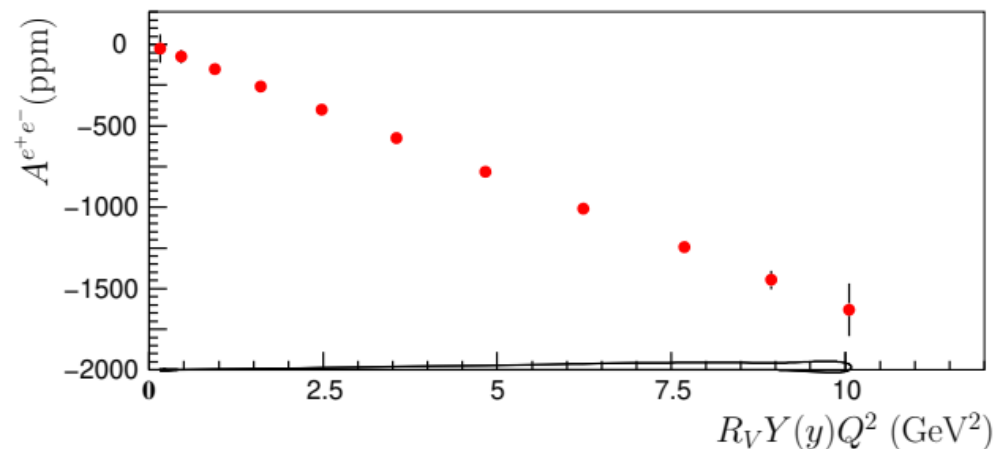
What can we do with 80 days of 3uA beam on a 40cm LD2 target? (in absence of all challenges):



if we consider only statistics and assume  $A=0$  at  $Q^2=0$ :

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# Past Experiment – BCDMS

1983 CERN, using polarized  $\mu^+$  vs.  $\mu^-$  beams:

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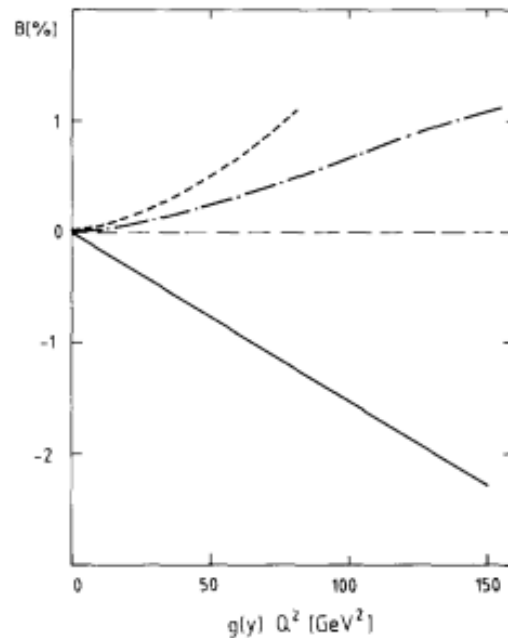


Fig. 2. The  $B$  asymmetry from  $\gamma$ - $Z^0$  interference to first order, calculated for a polarization  $\lambda = 0.81$  and  $\sin^2 \theta_w = 0.23$  (solid line), and the asymmetry expected from higher order electromagnetic processes at beam energies of 120 GeV (dashed line) and 200 GeV (dashed-dotted line).

netic and weak-electromagnetic effects according to ref. [6]: the magnitude of these corrections is shown

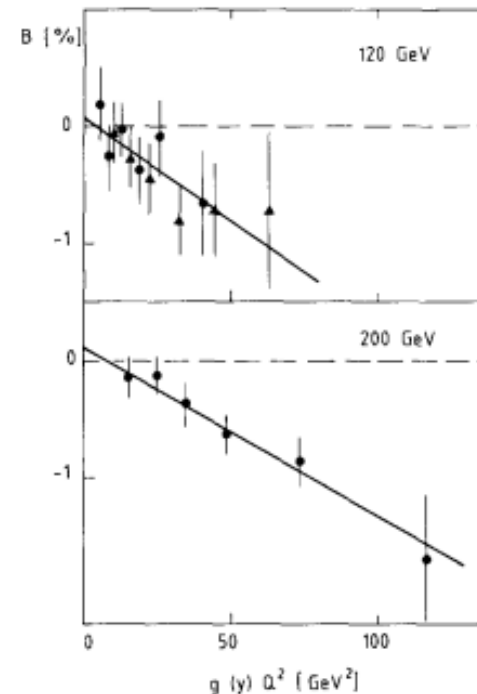


Fig. 3. The measured  $B$  asymmetry after radiative corrections at 120 GeV and 200 GeV beam energy versus  $g(y)Q^2 = Q^2 \times [1 - (1 - y)^2] / [1 + (1 - y)^2]$  [eq. (3)]. For the 120 GeV data, circles represent data with  $Q^2 > 15$  GeV. Solid lines are straight line fits to the data.

a measurement for the electron is highly desired

# Experimental Challenges

QED higher order (scaled by 1/5)  $\rightarrow \Delta A_{QED}$

