# Tensor Experiments b<sub>1</sub> and A<sub>zz</sub>



Hall A/C Collaboration

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#### Tensor Program







E12-13-011: "The *b<sub>1</sub> experiment"* 

30 Days in Jlab Hall C A- Physics Rating

Conditional Approval

Chen, Kalantarians, Long, Rondon, Slifer, Solvignon

E12-15-005: "A<sub>zz</sub> for x>1"

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## **b**<sub>1</sub> Structure Function

$$b_1(x) = \frac{q^0(x) - q^1(x)}{2}$$



measured in DIS (so probing quarks), but depends solely on the deuteron spin state

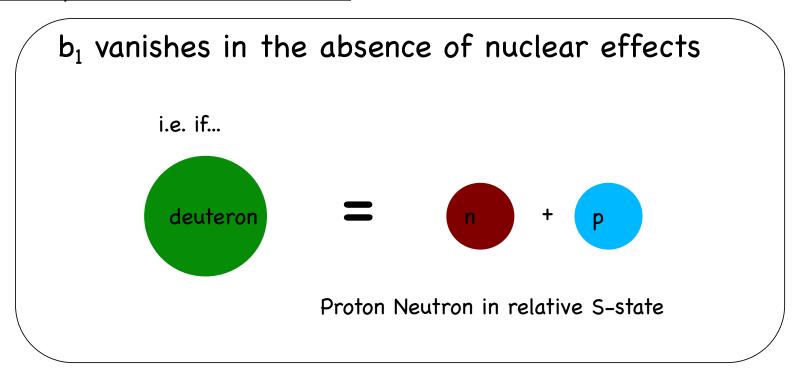
#### Investigate nuclear effects at the level of partons!

q°: Probability to scatter from a quark (any flavor) carrying momentum fraction x while the *Deuteron* is in state m=0

 $q^1$ : Probability to scatter from a quark (any flavor) carrying momentum fraction x while the *Deuteron* is in state |m| = 1

### **b**<sub>1</sub> Structure Function

Hoodbhoy, Jaffe and Manohar (1989)

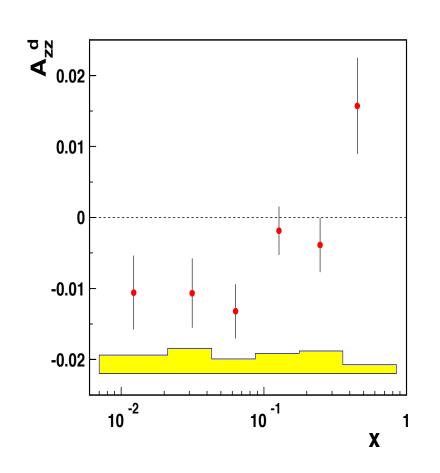


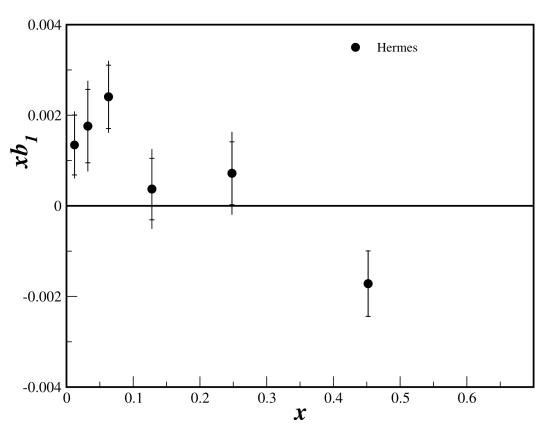
Even accounting for D-State admixture  $b_1$  expected to be vanishingly small

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Khan & Hoodbhoy, PRC 44 ,1219 (1991) : b_1 \approx O(10^{-4})
Relativistic convolution model with binding
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Umnikov, PLB 391, 177 (1997) :  $b_1 \approx O(10^{-3})$ Relativistic convolution with Bethe-Salpeter formalism

#### Data from HERMES

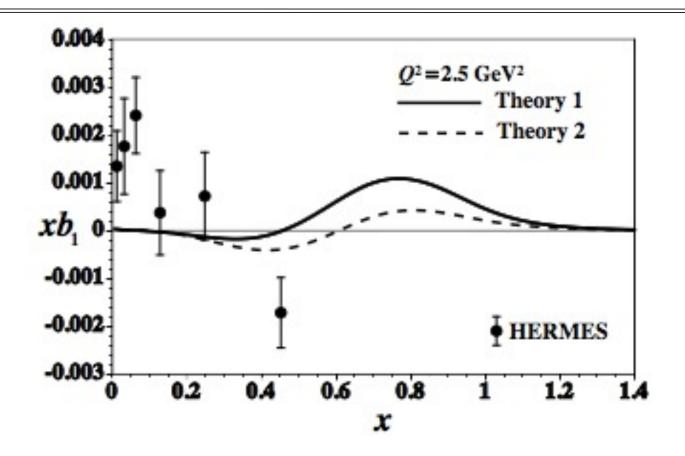




$$b_1 = -\frac{3}{2}F_1 A_{zz}$$

C. Reidl PRL 95, 242001 (2005)

#### b<sub>1</sub> in standard convolution description



W. Cosyn, Y. Dong, S. Kumano, M. Sargsian **PRD95 (2017) 074036** 

Standard model of Nuclear Physics can not explain the large x results

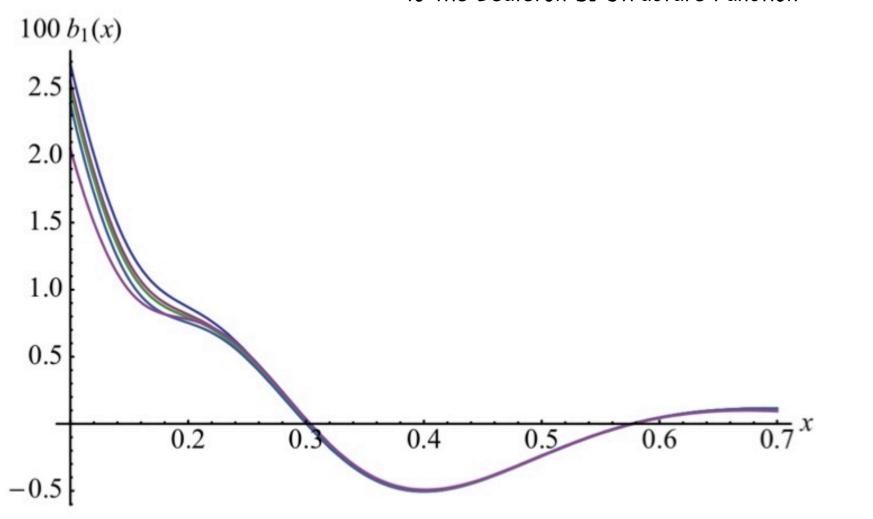
[need a] "new mechanism to explain large differences between current data and our theoretical results"

"room for more advanced or exotic mechanisms playing an important role"

# 6-quark, Hidden Color



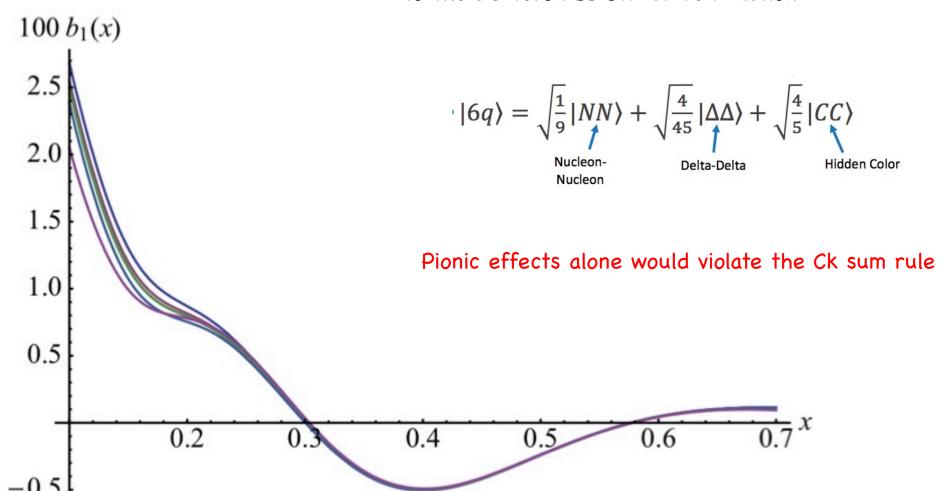
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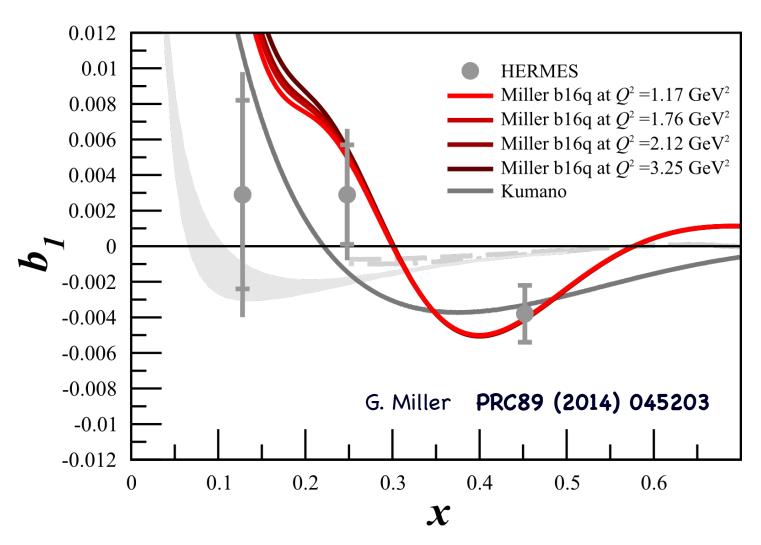
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#### G. Miller PRC89 (2014) 045203

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#### Unique Signal of Hidden Color



no conventional nuclear mechanism can reproduce the Hermes data,

but that the 6-quark probability needed to do so ( $P_{6Q} = 0.0015$ ) is small enough that it does not violate conventional nuclear physics.

#### Gluon Contribution to Tensor Structure

$$\int b_1(x)dx = 0$$

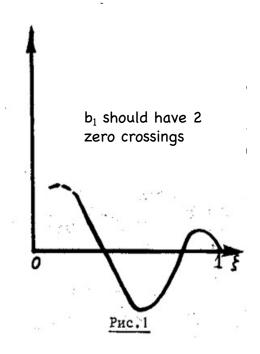
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# b<sub>1</sub> should have 2 zero crossings

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2<sup>nd</sup> moment more likely to be satisfied experimentally since the collective glue is suppessed compared to the sea

Study of b<sub>1</sub> allows to discriminate between deuteron components with different spins (quarks vs gluons)

#### **Experimental Method**

$$A_{zz} = \frac{2}{f P_{zz}} \frac{\sigma_{\dagger} - \sigma_0}{\sigma_0}$$

$$_{1} = \frac{2}{fP_{zz}} \left( \frac{N_{\dagger}}{N_{0}} - 1 \right)$$

Observable is the Normalized XS Difference

B-Field, density, temp, etc. held same in both states

$$b_1 = -\frac{3}{2} F_1^d A_{zz}$$

 $\sigma_{\dagger}$  : Tensor Polarized cross-section

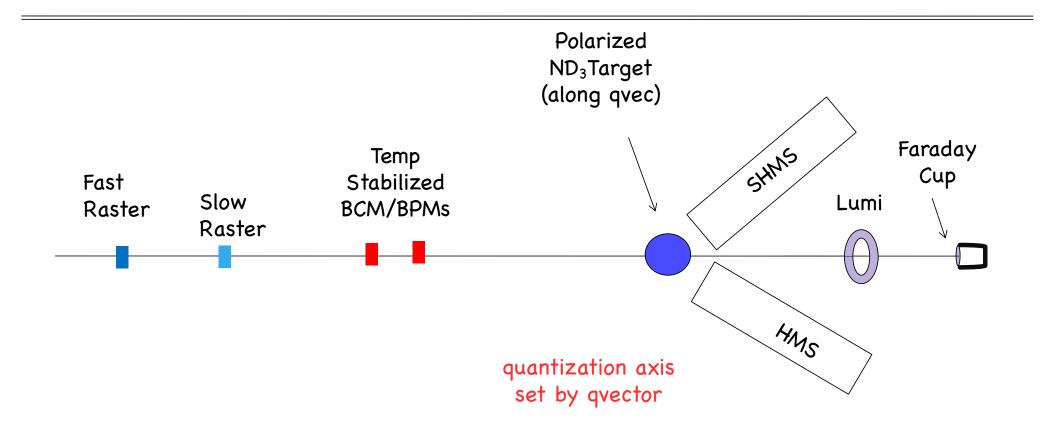
 $\sigma_0$  : Unpolarized cross-section

 $P_{zz}\,$  : Tensor Polarizzation

dilution factor

$$f \approx \frac{6}{20}$$
  $\left(\begin{array}{c} D \\ D \\ D \end{array}\right)$ 

#### Jlab Hall C

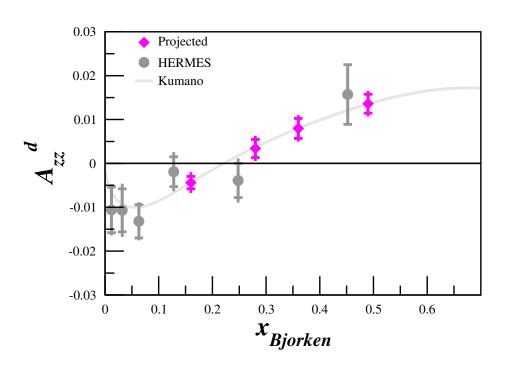


Unpolarized Beam UVa/JLab Polarized Target

Magnetic Field Held Along qvector

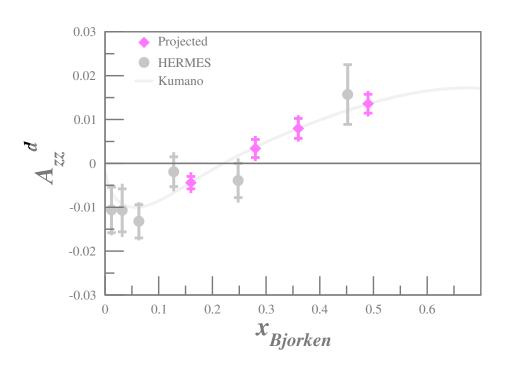
 $\mathcal{L} = 10^{35}$ 

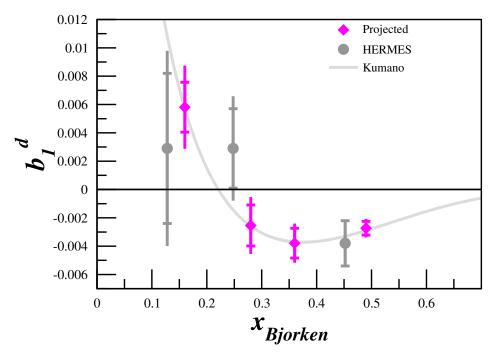
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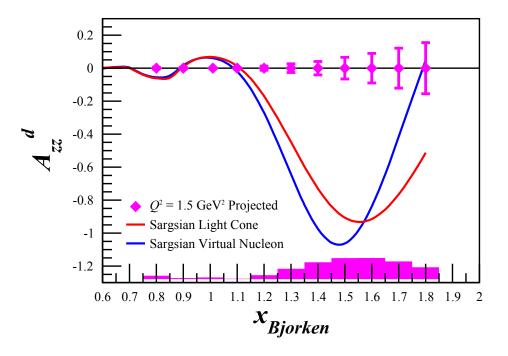


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verification of zero crossing essential for satisfaction of CK Sum

#### E12-15-005

 $A_{zz}$  in the x>1 Region

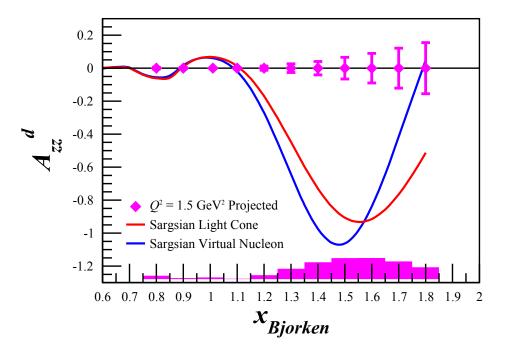


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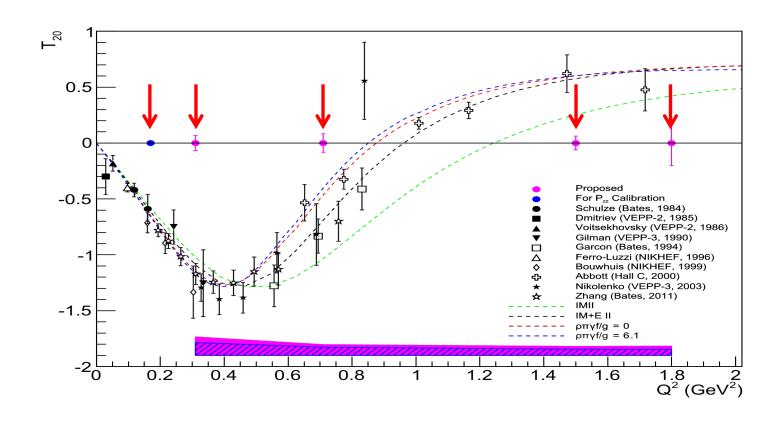
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Sensitive to the S/D-wave ratio in the deuteron wave function

4σ discrim between hard/soft wave functions 6σ discrim between relativistic models

"further explores the nature of short-range pn correlations, the discovery of which was one of the most important results of the 6 GeV nuclear program."

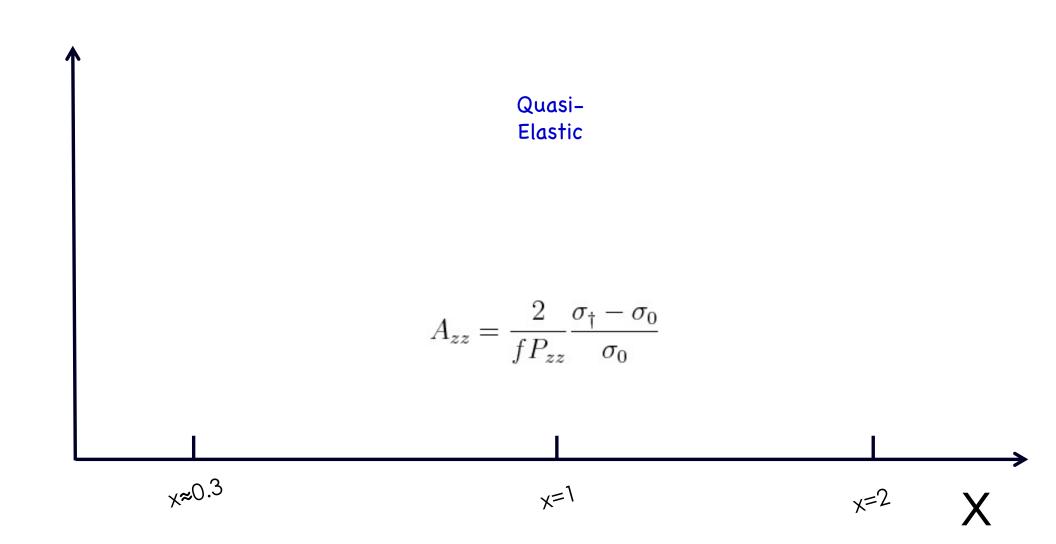
### A<sub>zz</sub> experiment



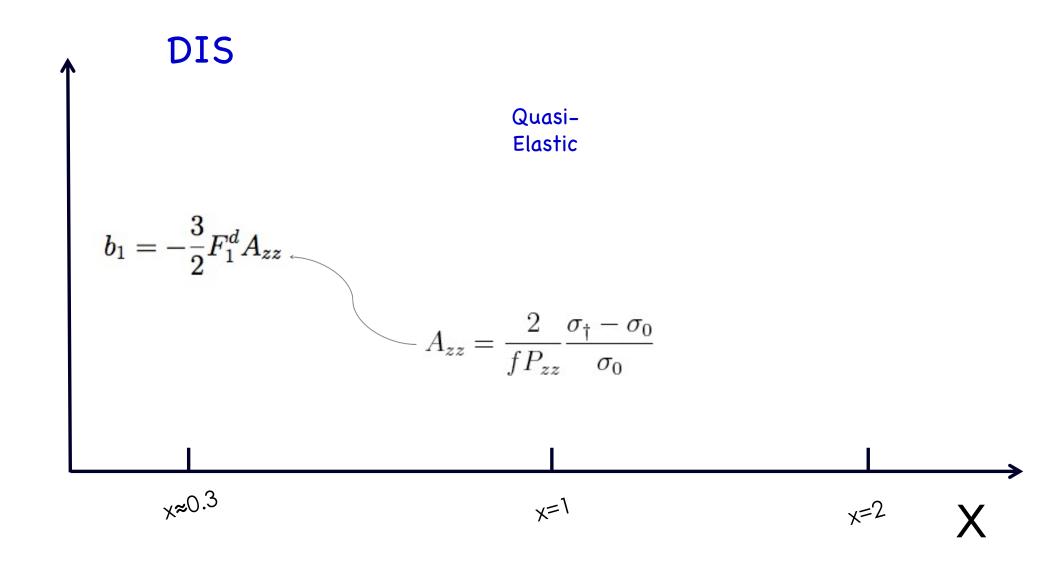
We simultaneously measure nuclear elastic

- -> T<sub>20</sub> over huge Q<sup>2</sup> range
- -> measure T<sub>20</sub> at largest Q<sup>2</sup> yet
- -> will use to cross-check Pzz

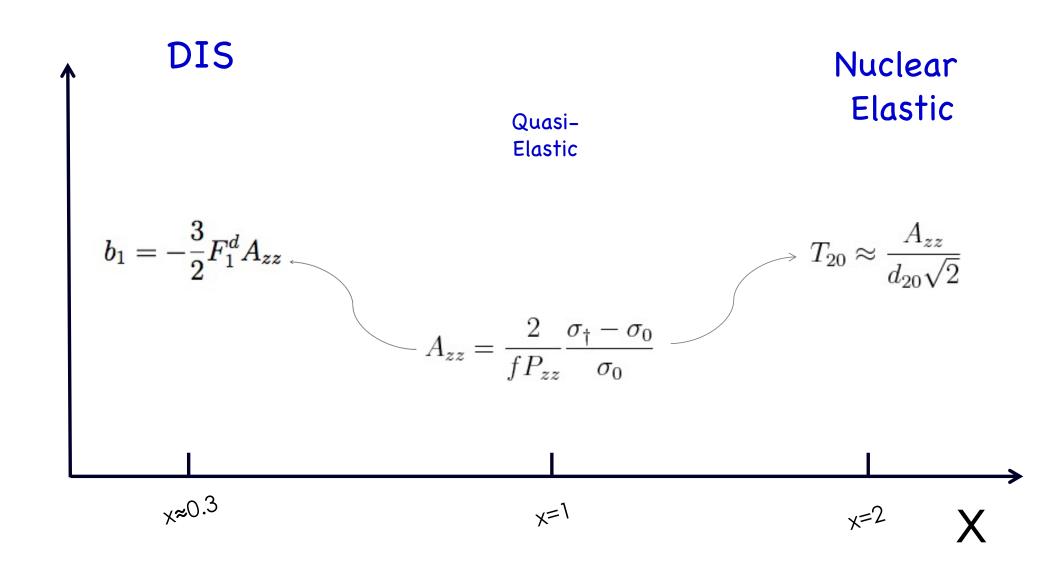
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#### PAC Conditions

Scientific Rating: A-Recommendation: Conditional Approval (C1)

- E12-13-011 (The Deuteron Tensor Structure Function b1)
- E12-15-005 (Tensor Asymmetry in Quasielastic Region)

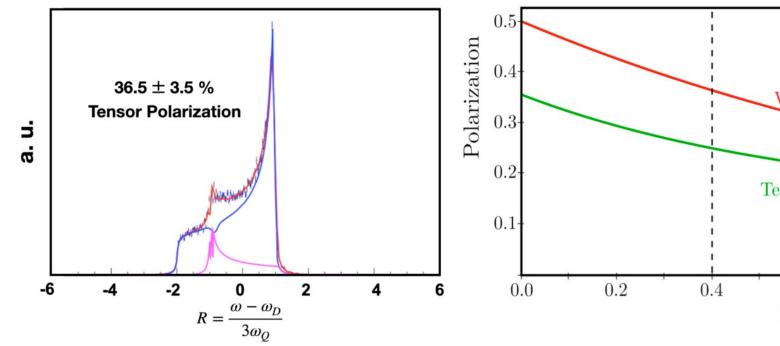
#### Issues:

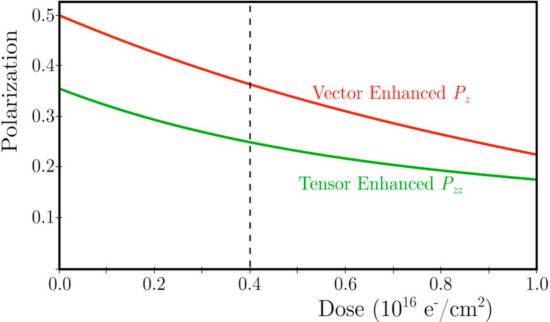
In order to obtain conclusive data with sufficient precision it is crucial to achieve a tensor polarization significantly higher than the value of 20% assumed in the proposal. While methods such as RF- "hole burning" are known to increase the tensor polarization above the thermal equilibrium value, these techniques including the polarization measurement have to be developed further to allow for a reliable operation under experimental conditions.

The b1 and Azz experiments were C1 conditionally approved by PACs 41&44, respectively, with the requirement that:

"a tensor polarization of at least (close to) 30% be achieved and reliably demonstrated under experimental conditions."

#### **Technical Developments**





[1] D. Keller, et al., NIM A **981**, 164504 (2020)

NMR Spectra after ss-RF and target rotation Resulting in a tensor polarization of 36.5+-3.5(absolute)%

Model of Vector and tensor polarizations with respect to the dose in beam

The vertical line indicates when annealing will be performed.

See also Elena Long's talk

<sup>[2]</sup> D. Keller, Eur. Phys. J. A **53**, 155 (2017)

#### Summary

Tensor spin observables will be measured over a wide range of x

Working group making good progress

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Preparing for Jlab review of Conditional Status

Weekly meetings Tuesdays at 9:30 new collaborators welcome!