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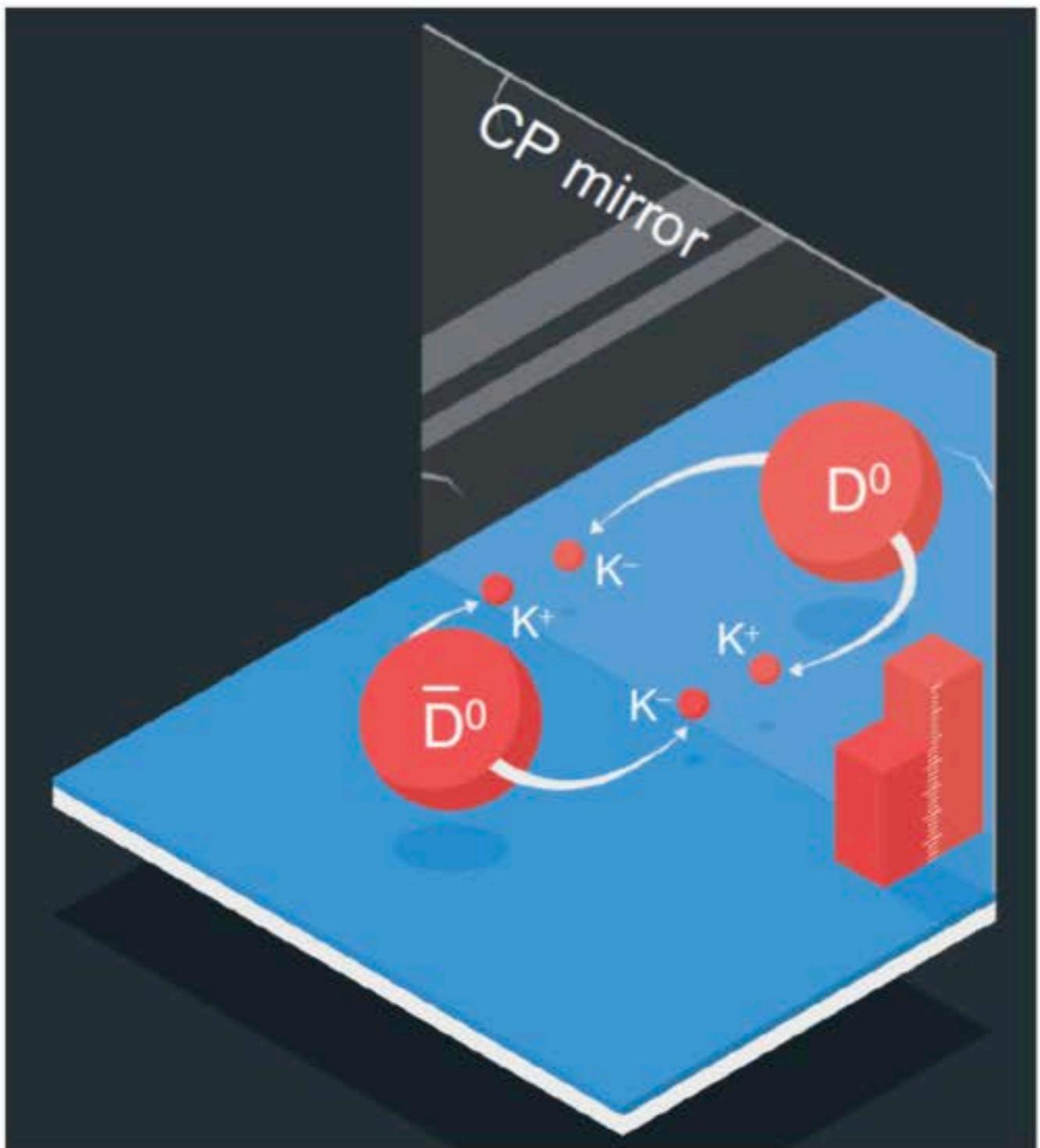
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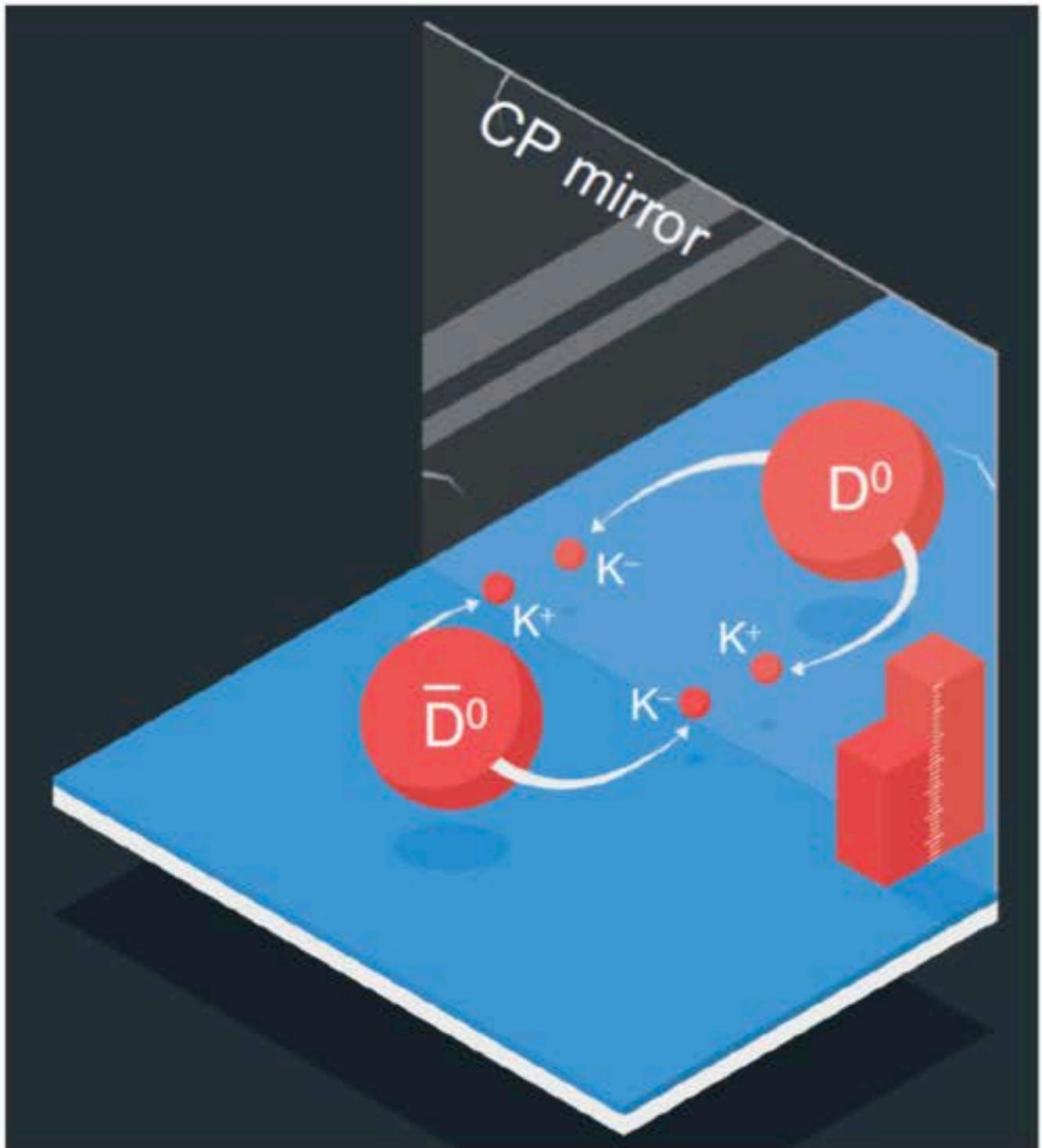


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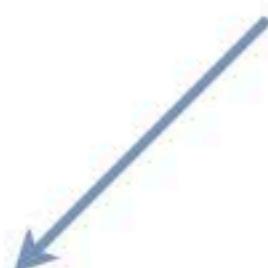
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**Which implications could the
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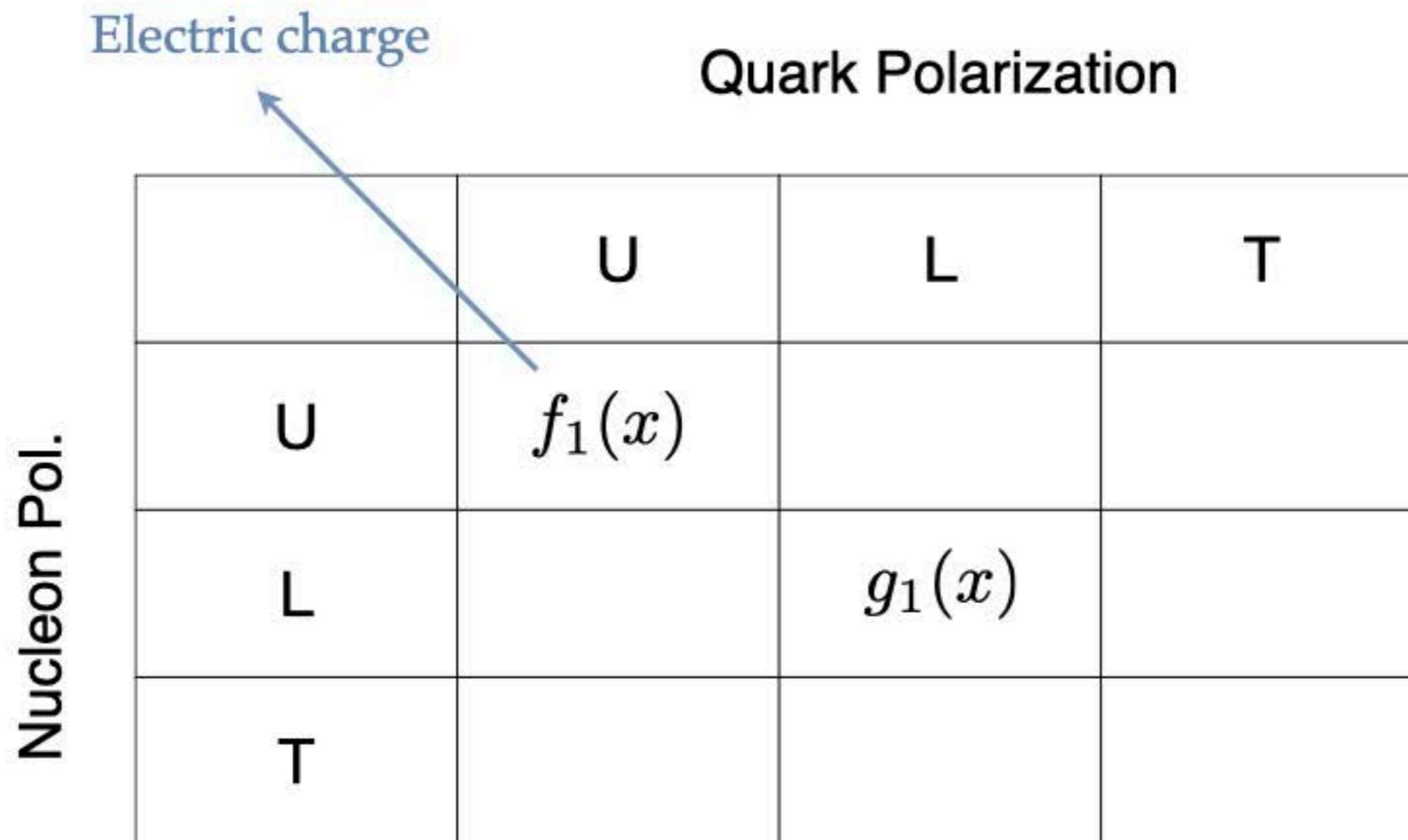
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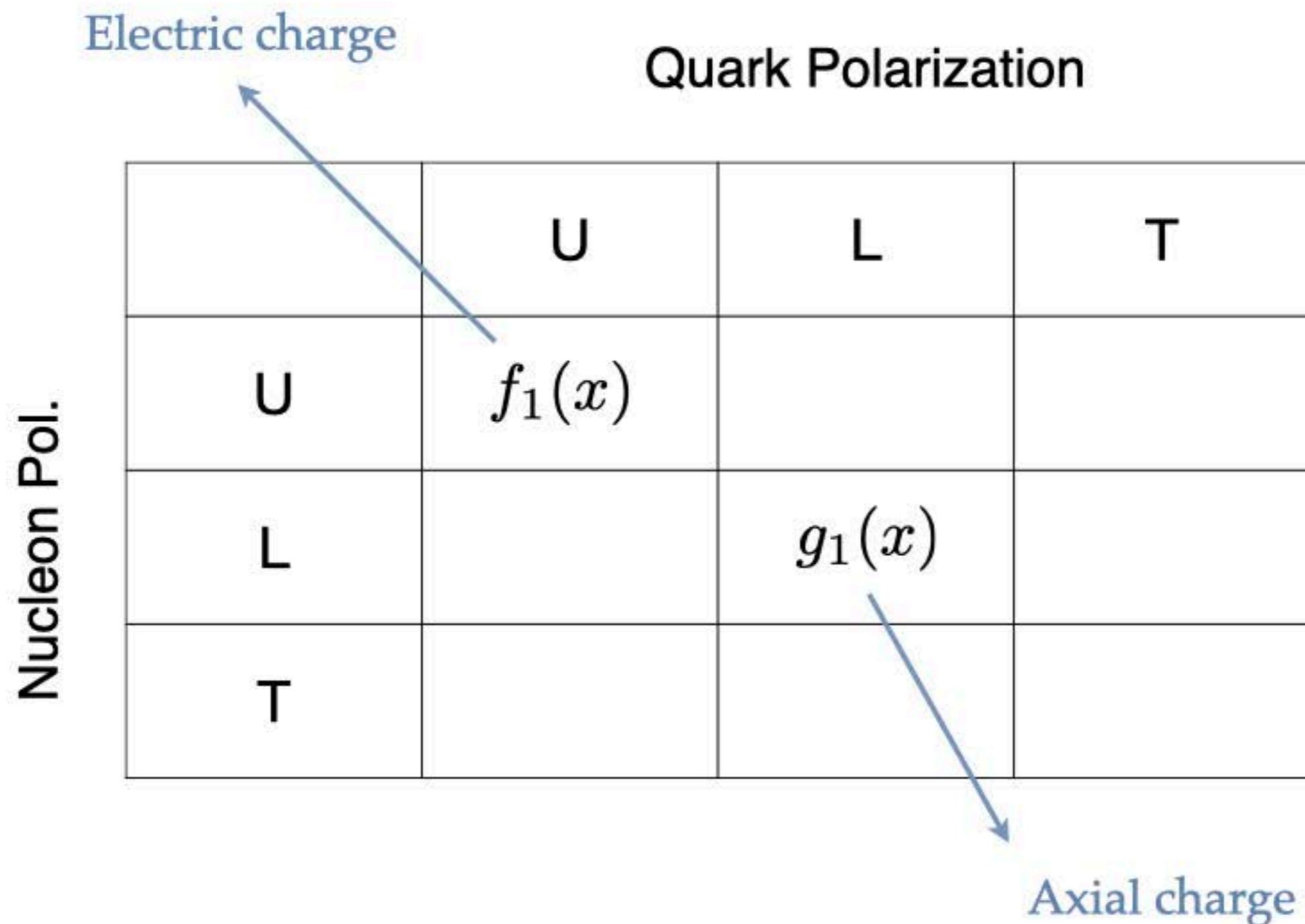
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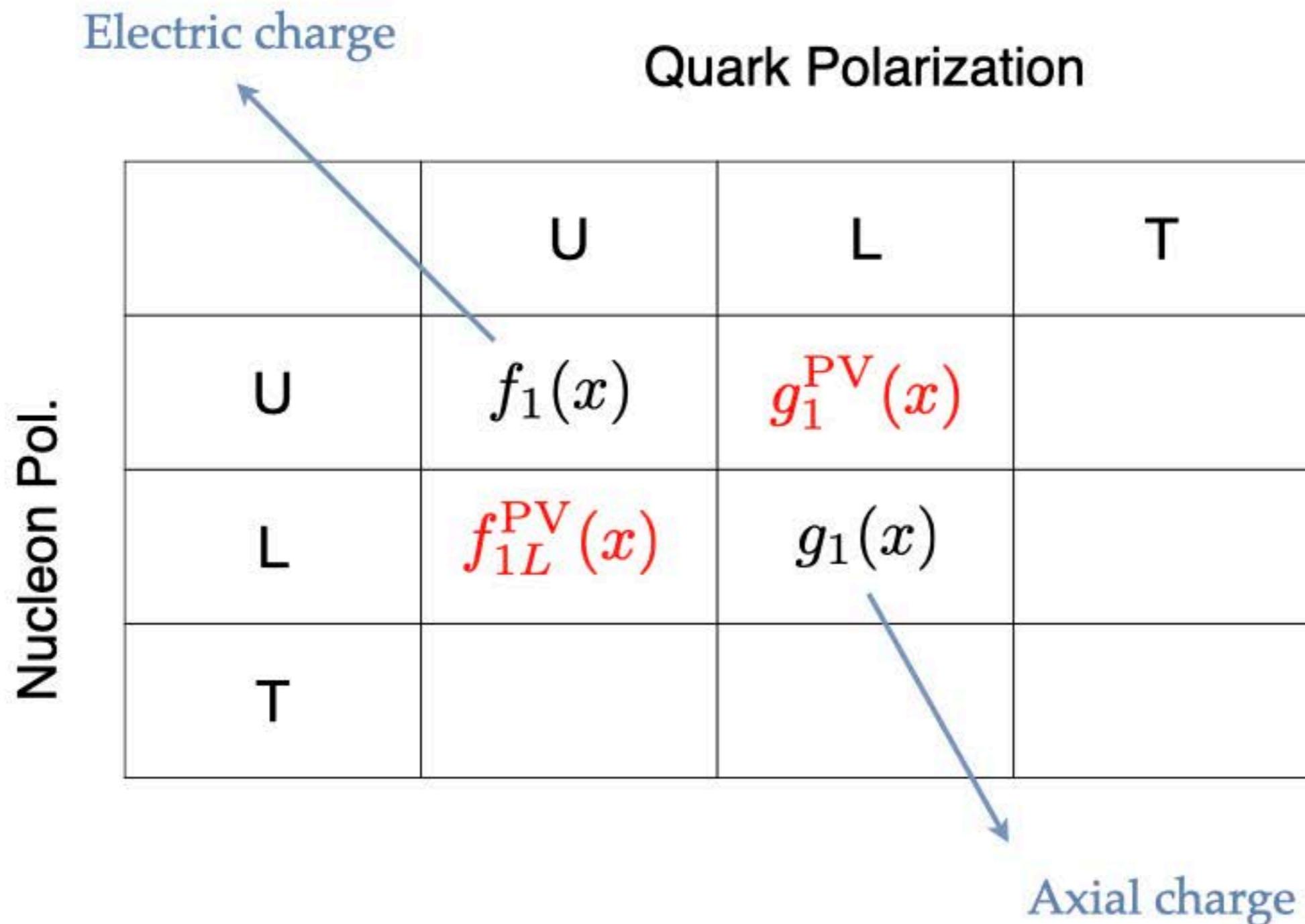
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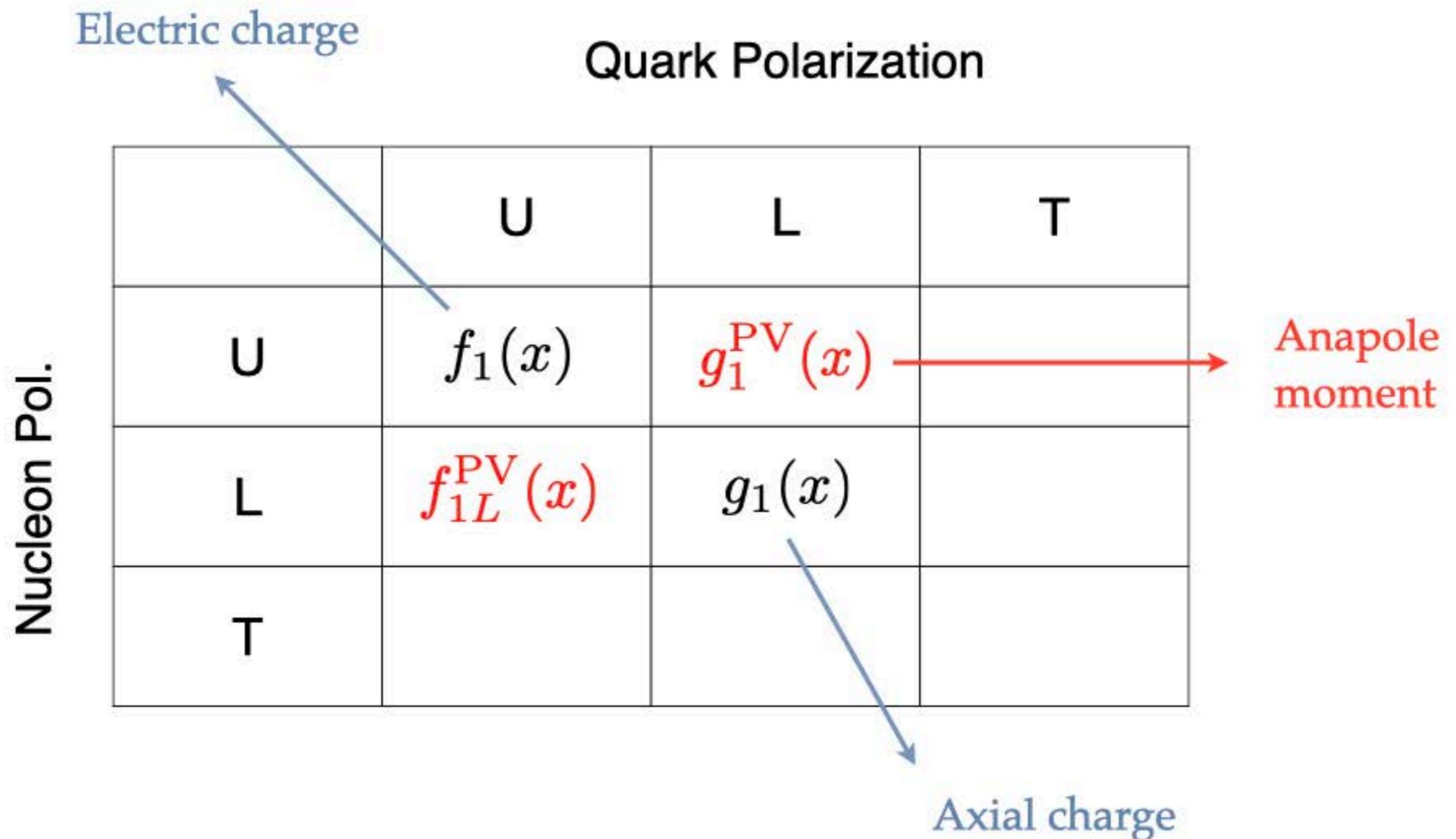
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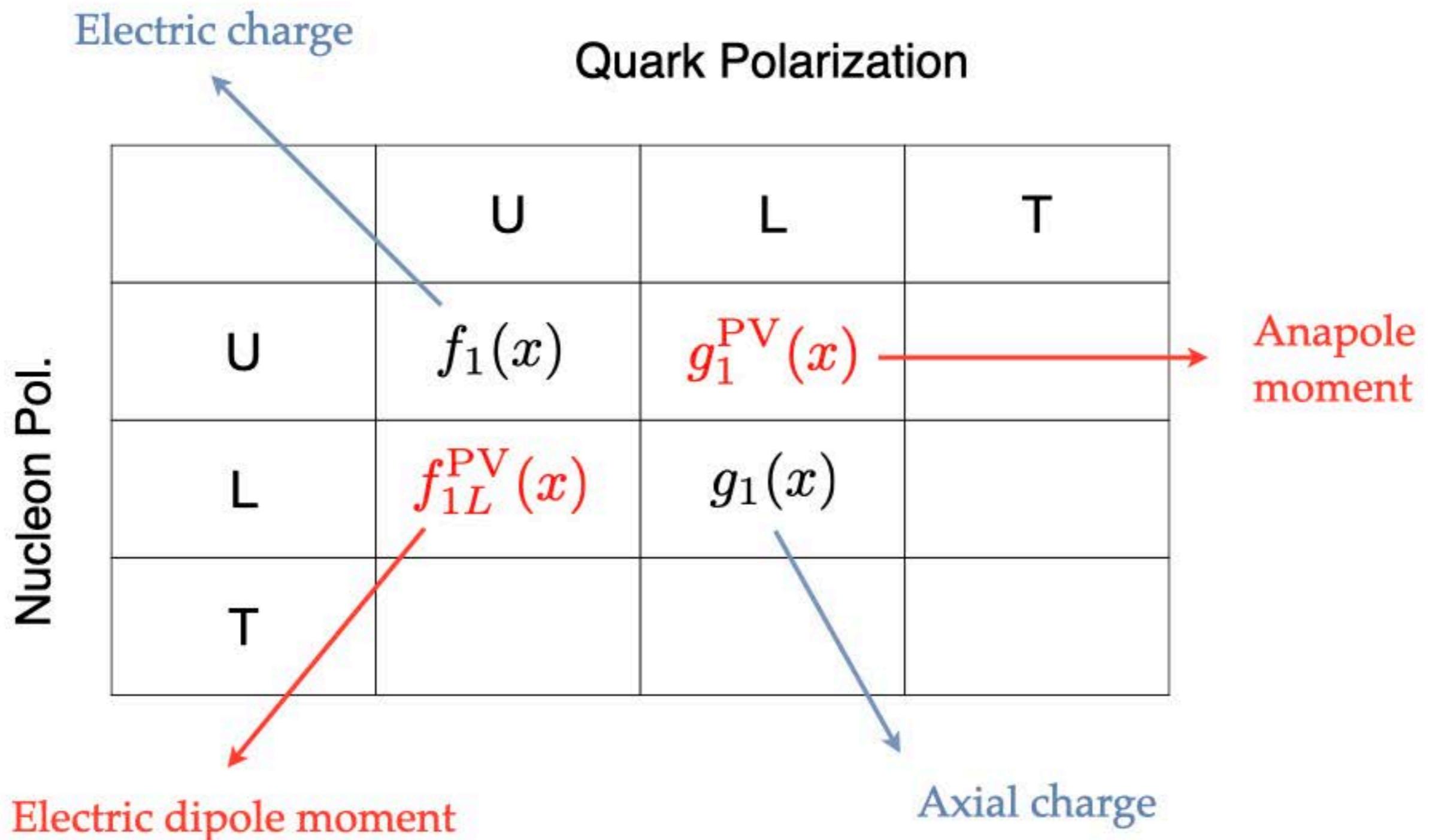
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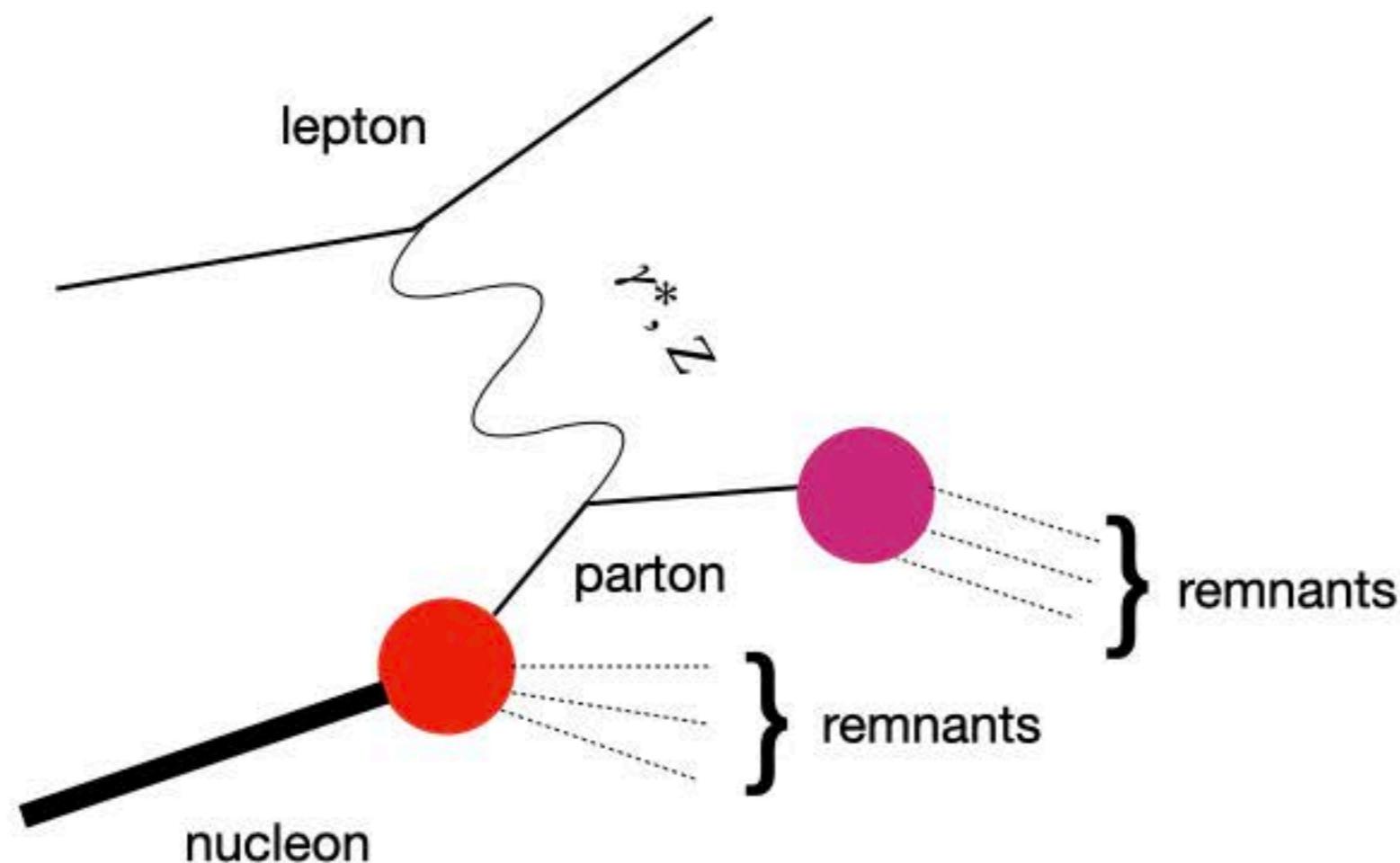


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$$l(\ell) + N(P) \rightarrow \gamma^*(q) \rightarrow l(\ell') + X$$



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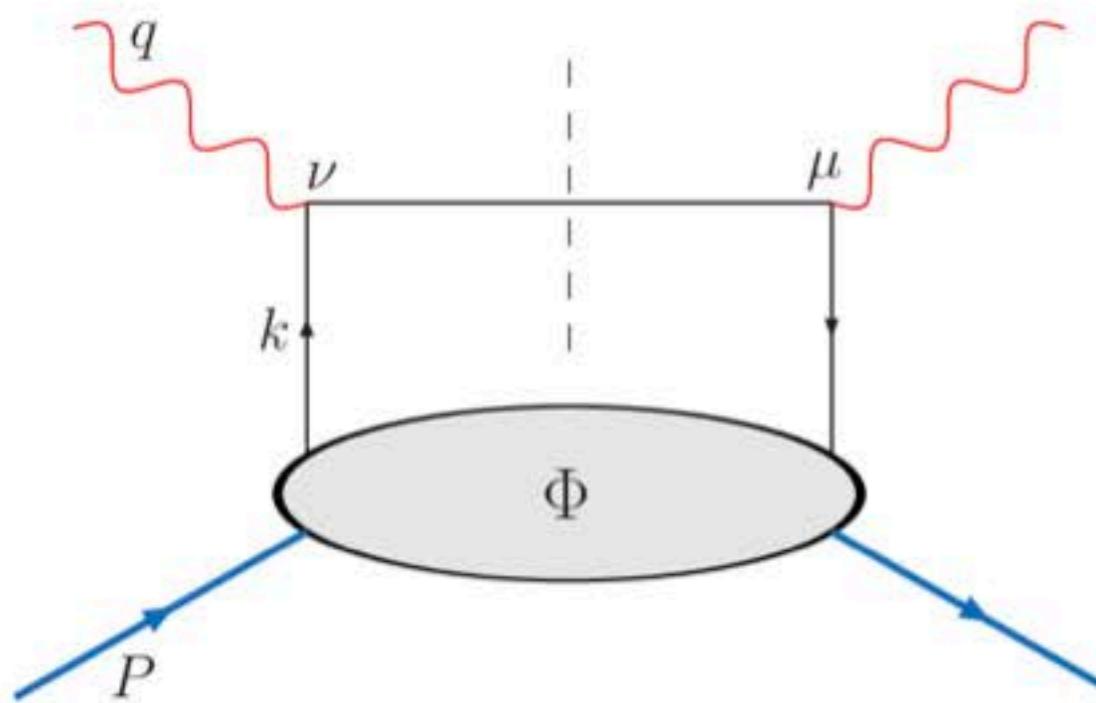
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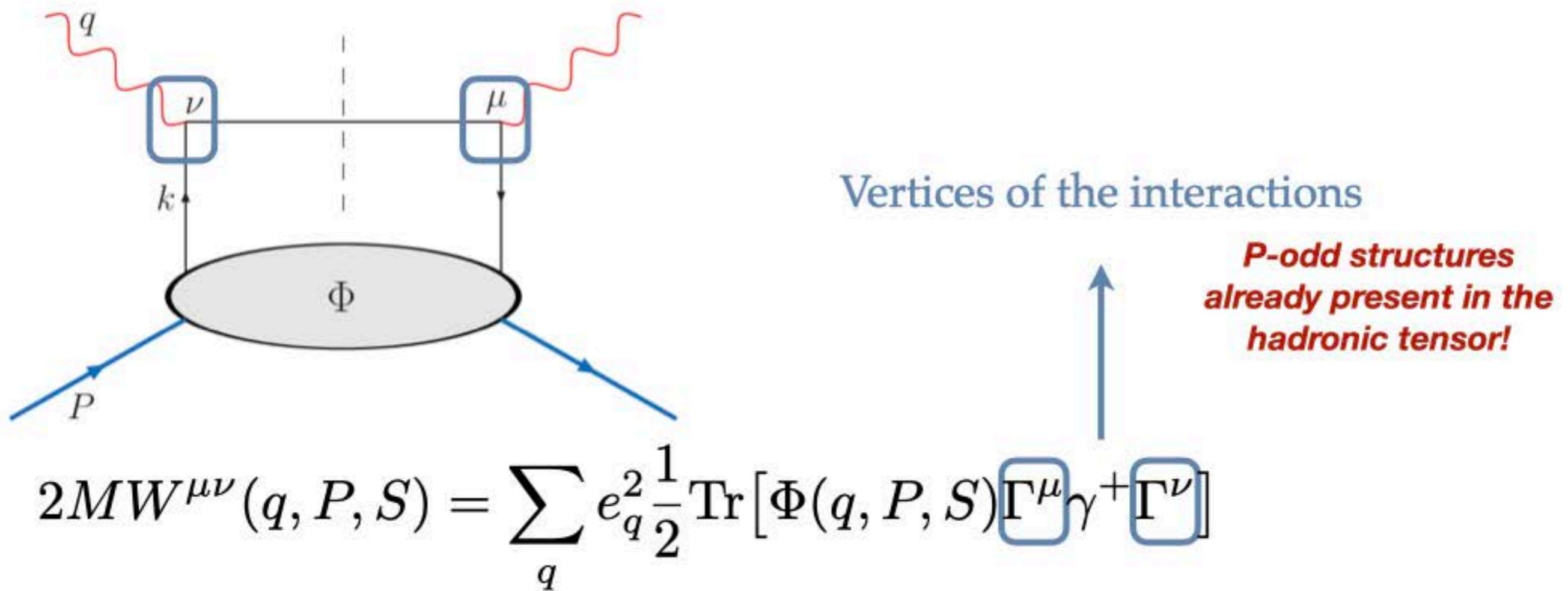
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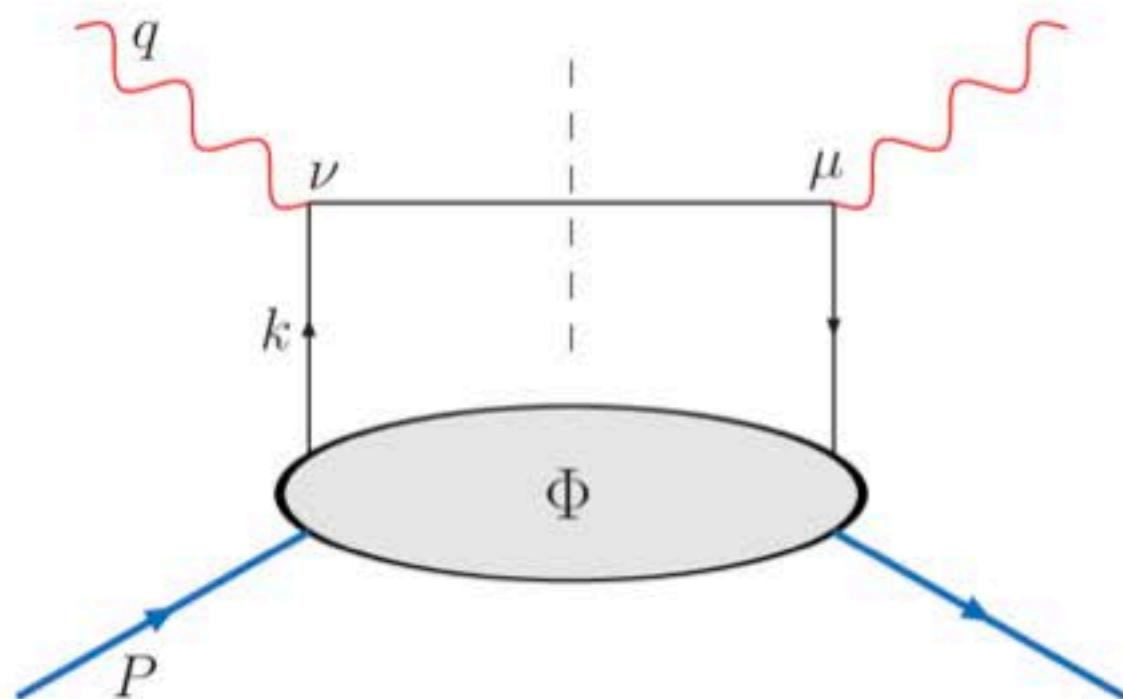
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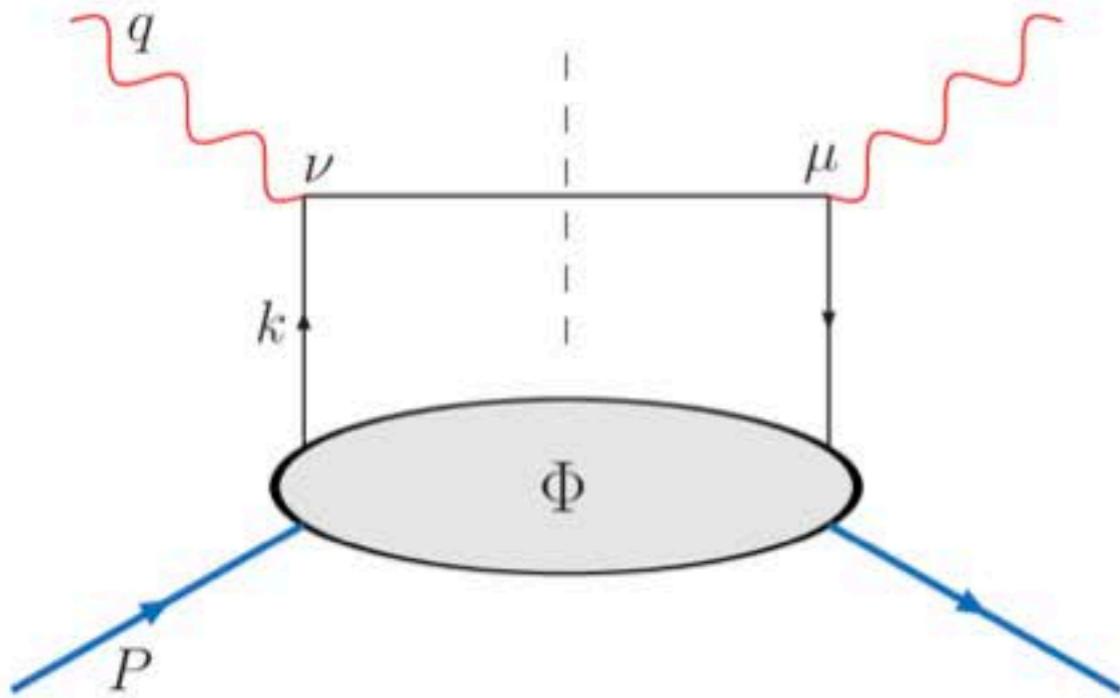


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Decomposition in partonic densities

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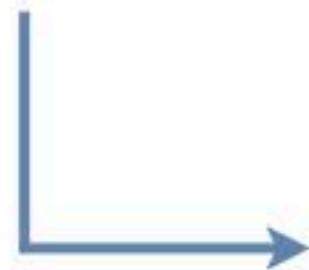
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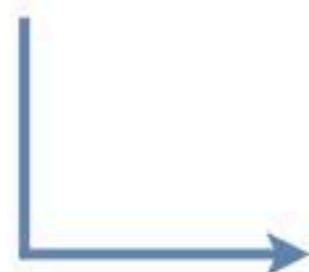
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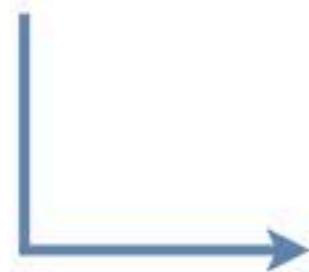
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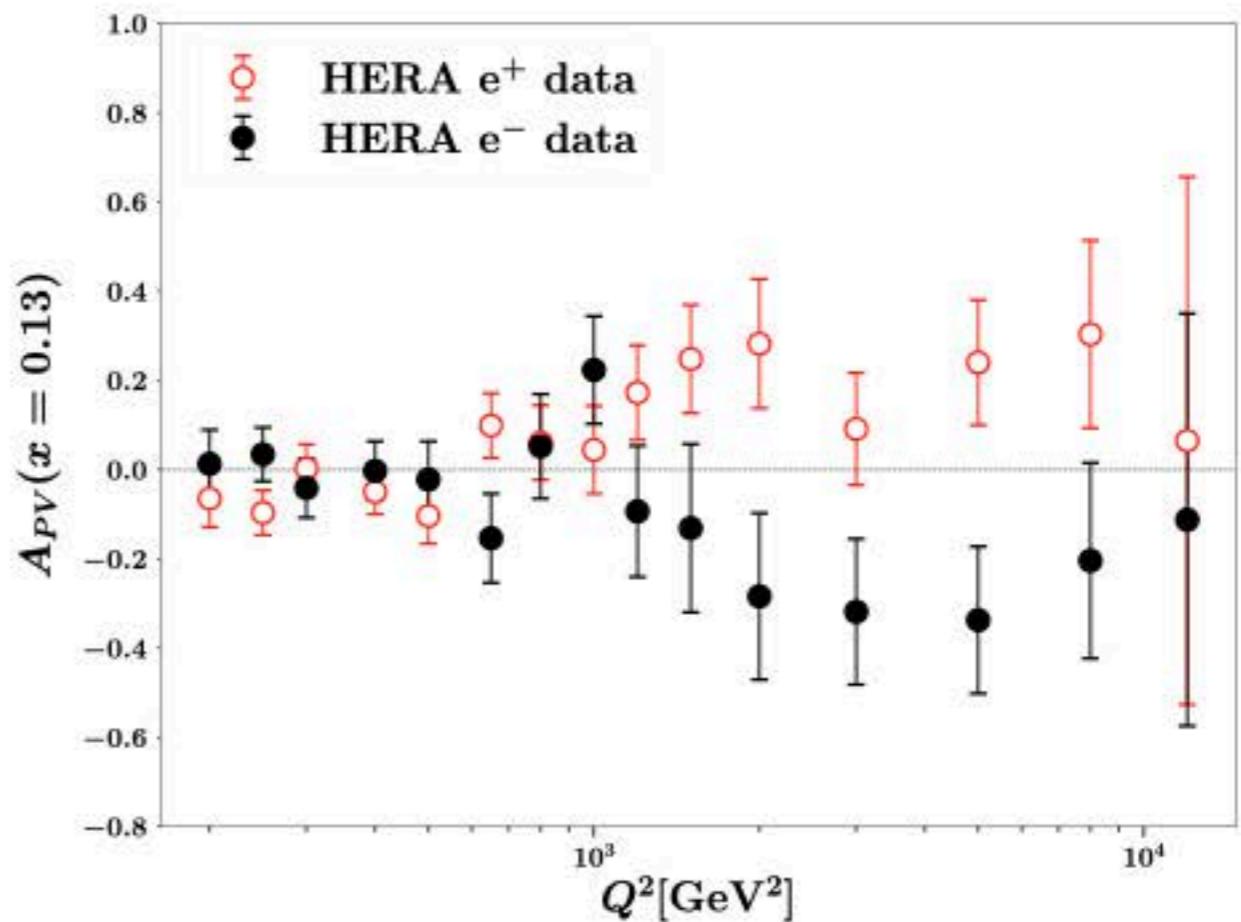
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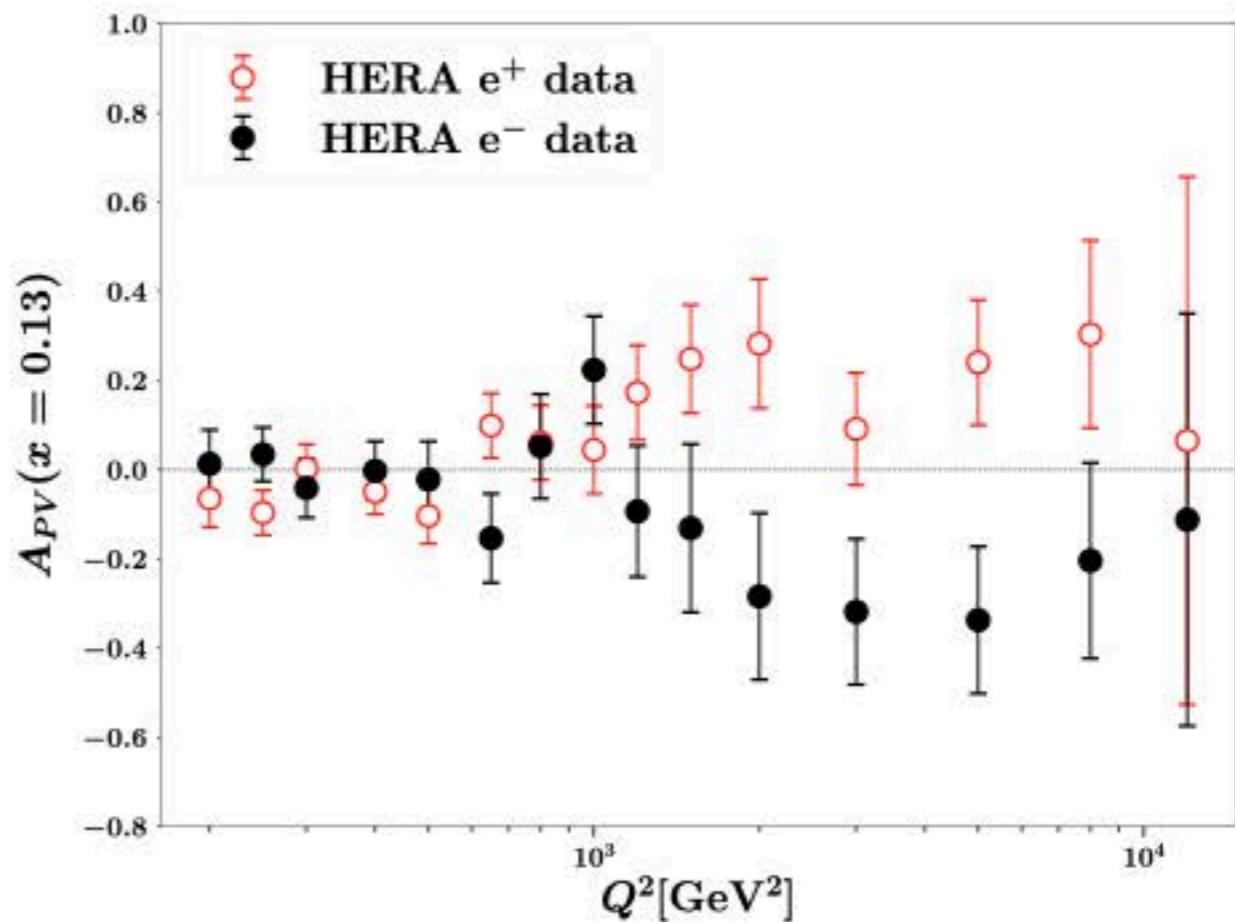
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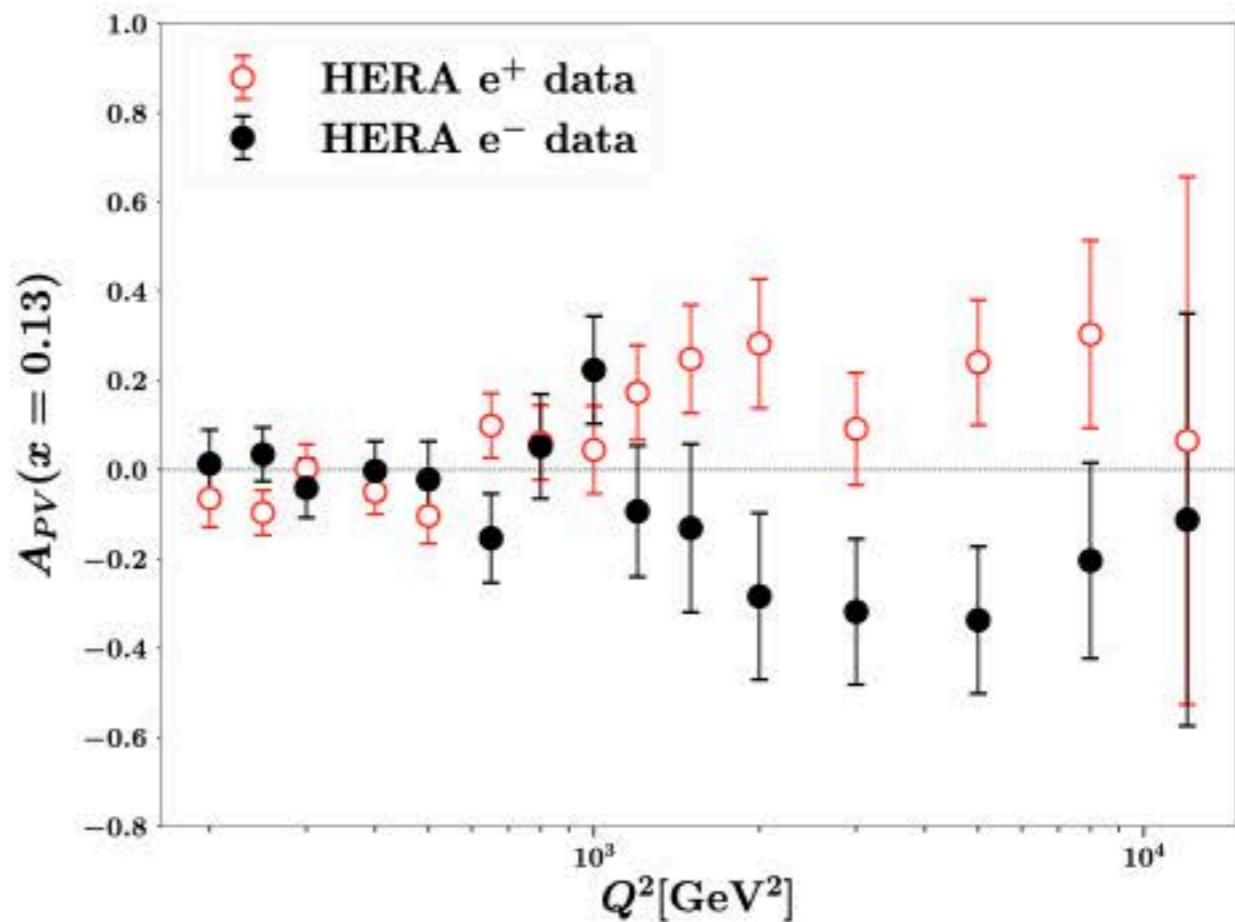
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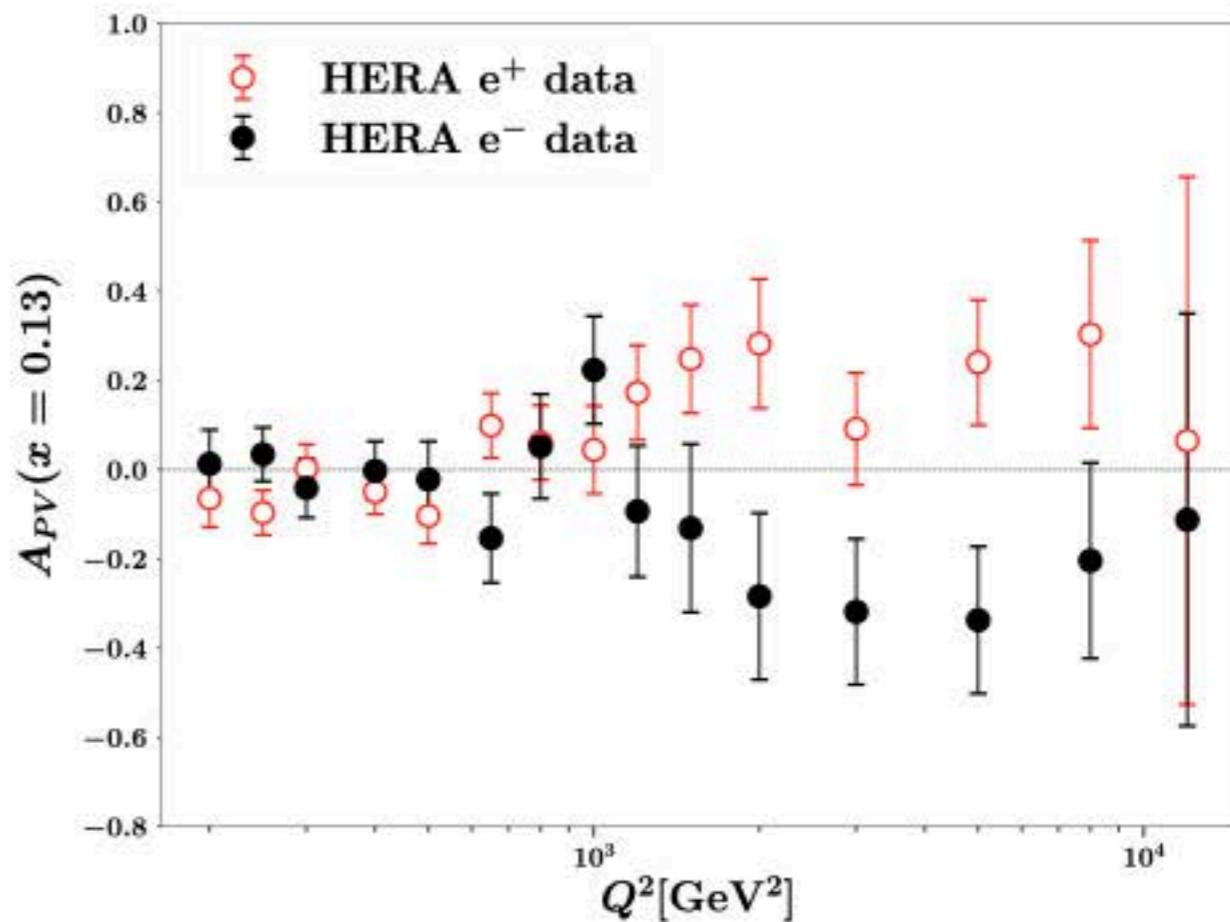
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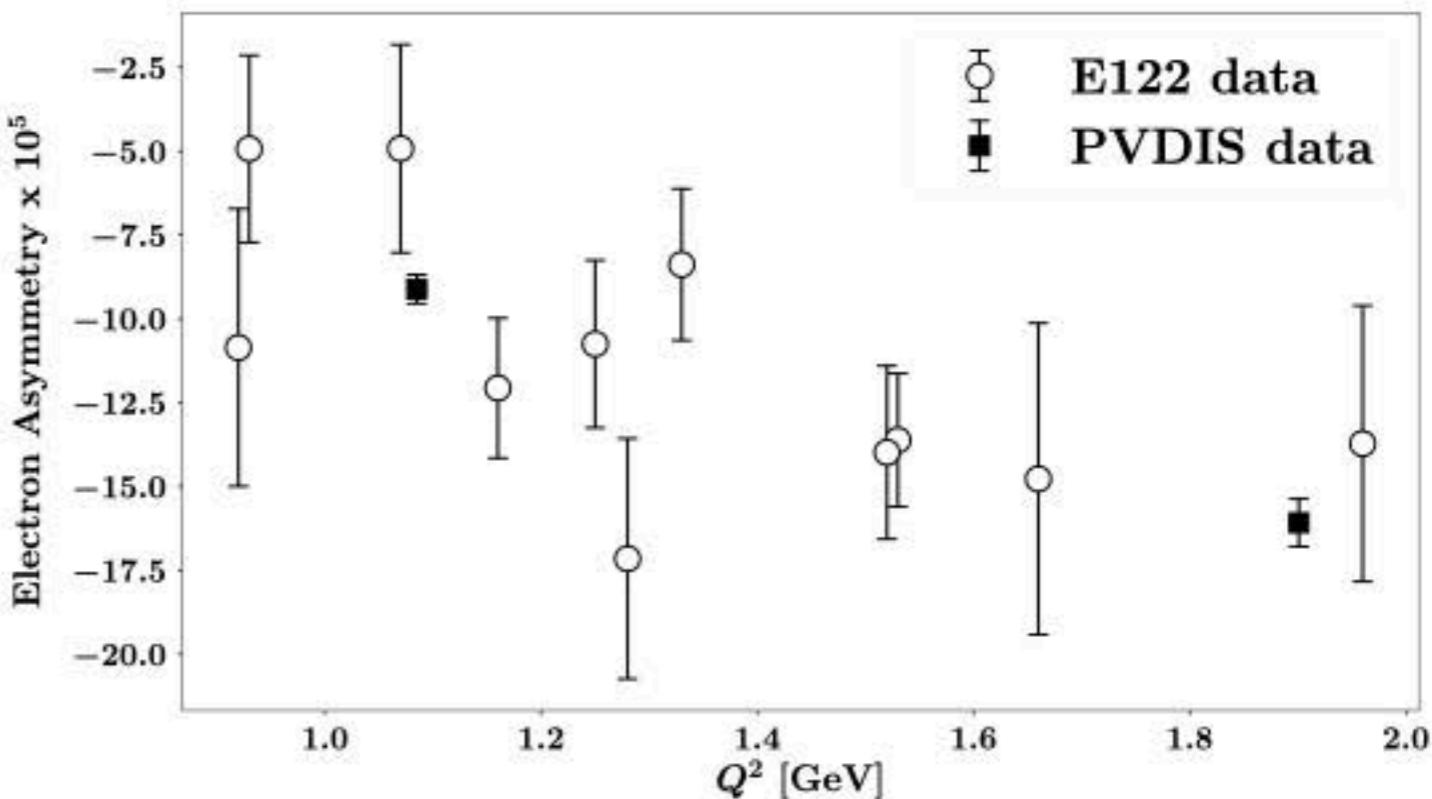
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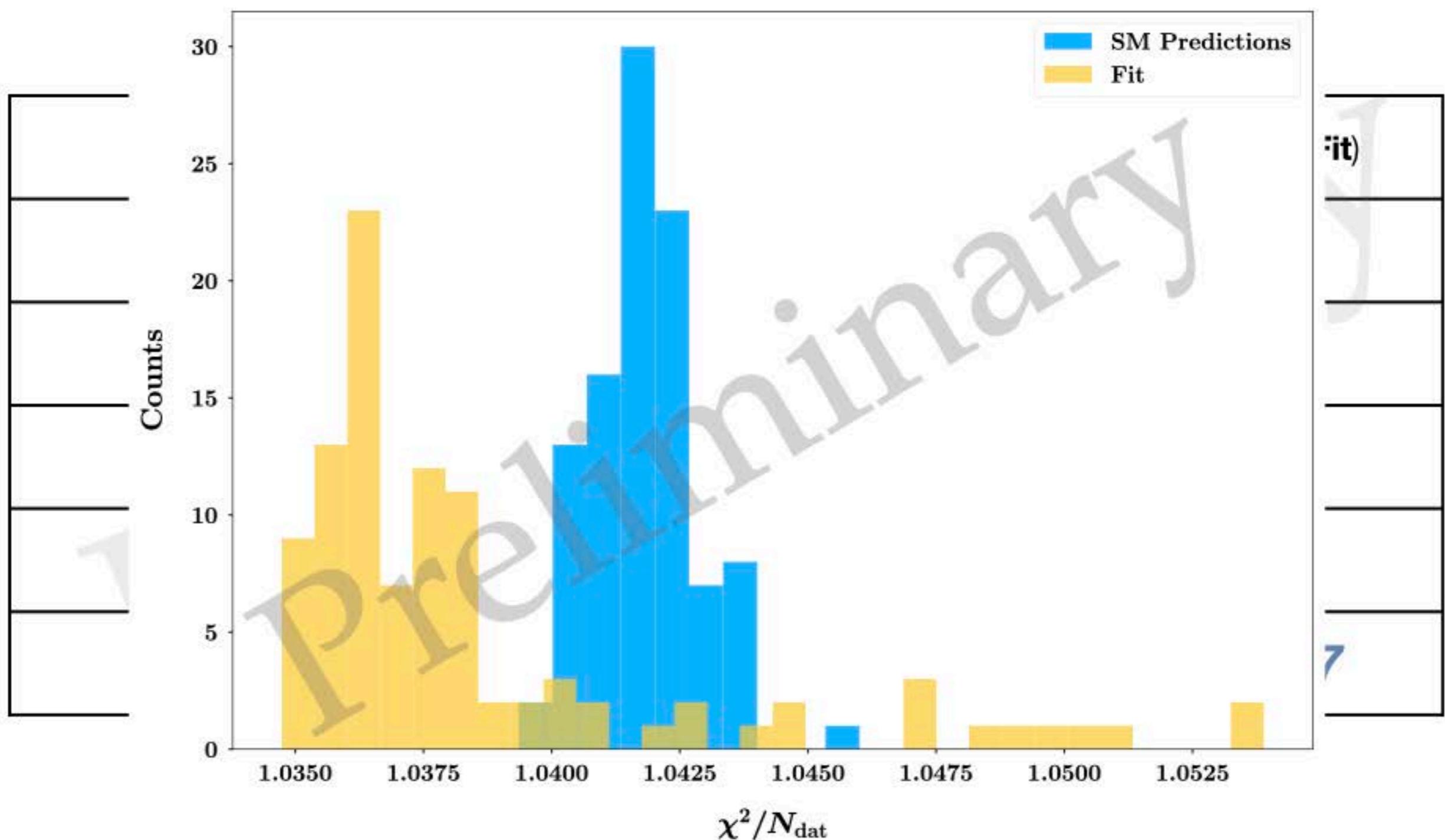
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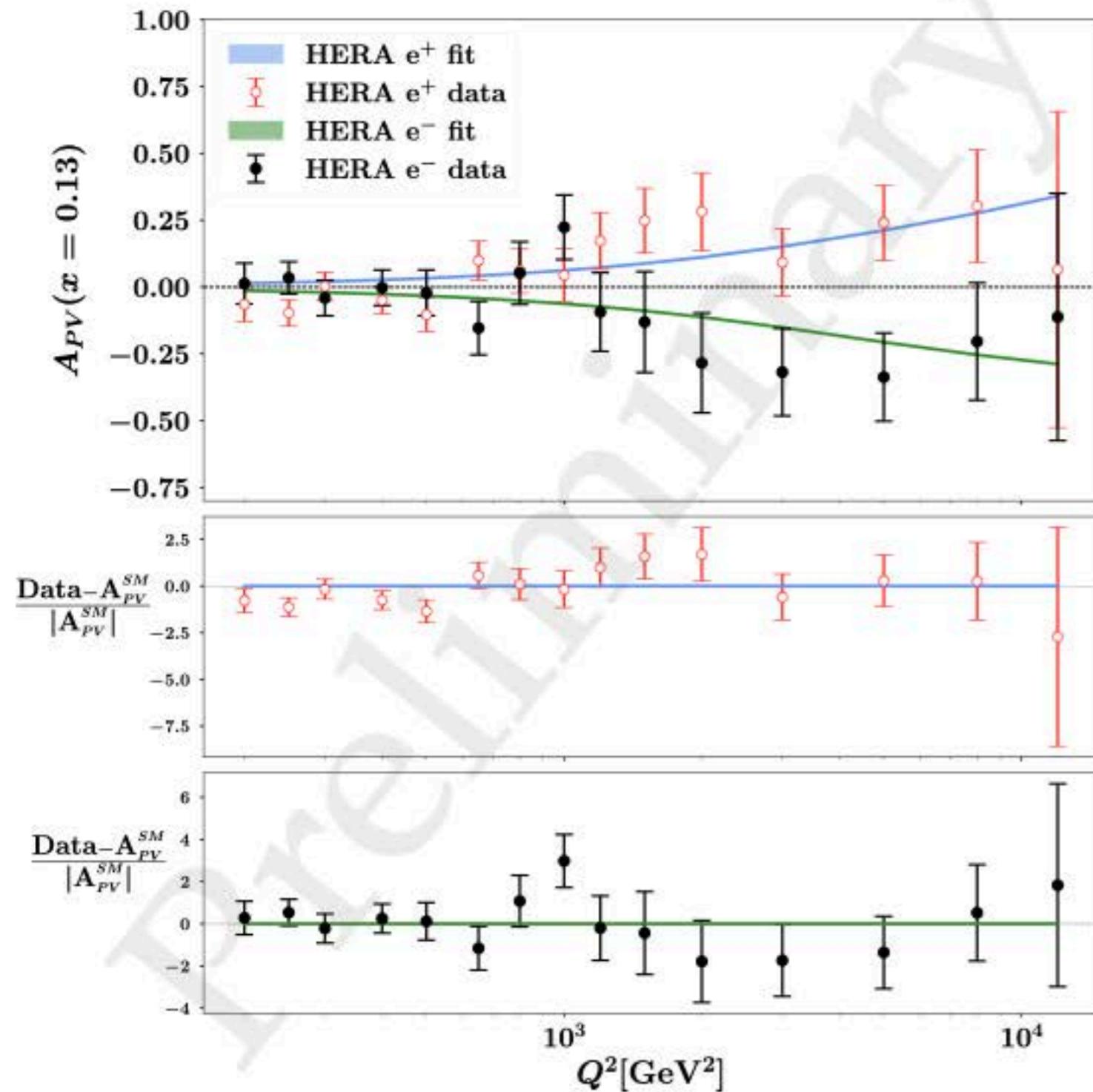
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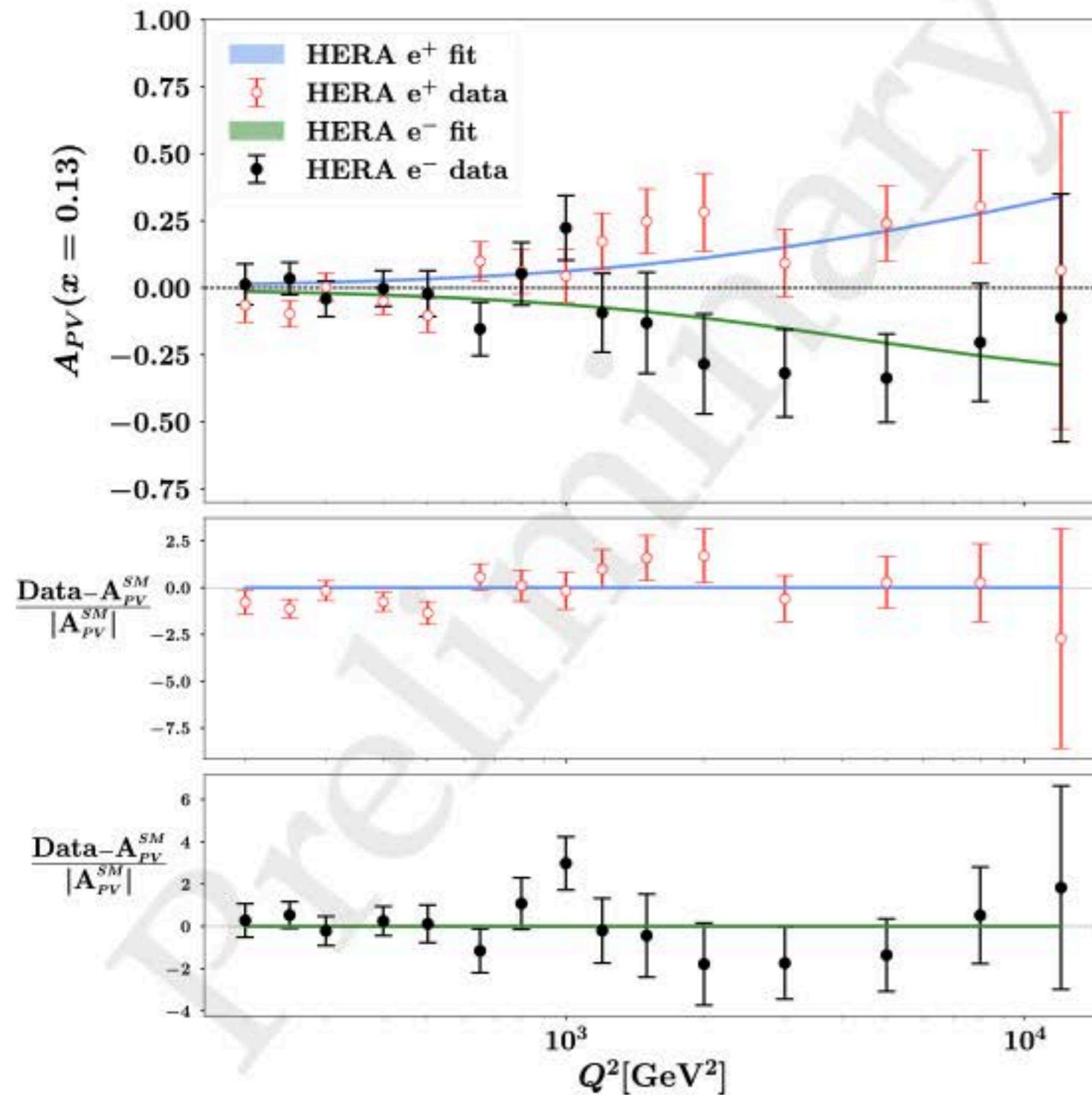
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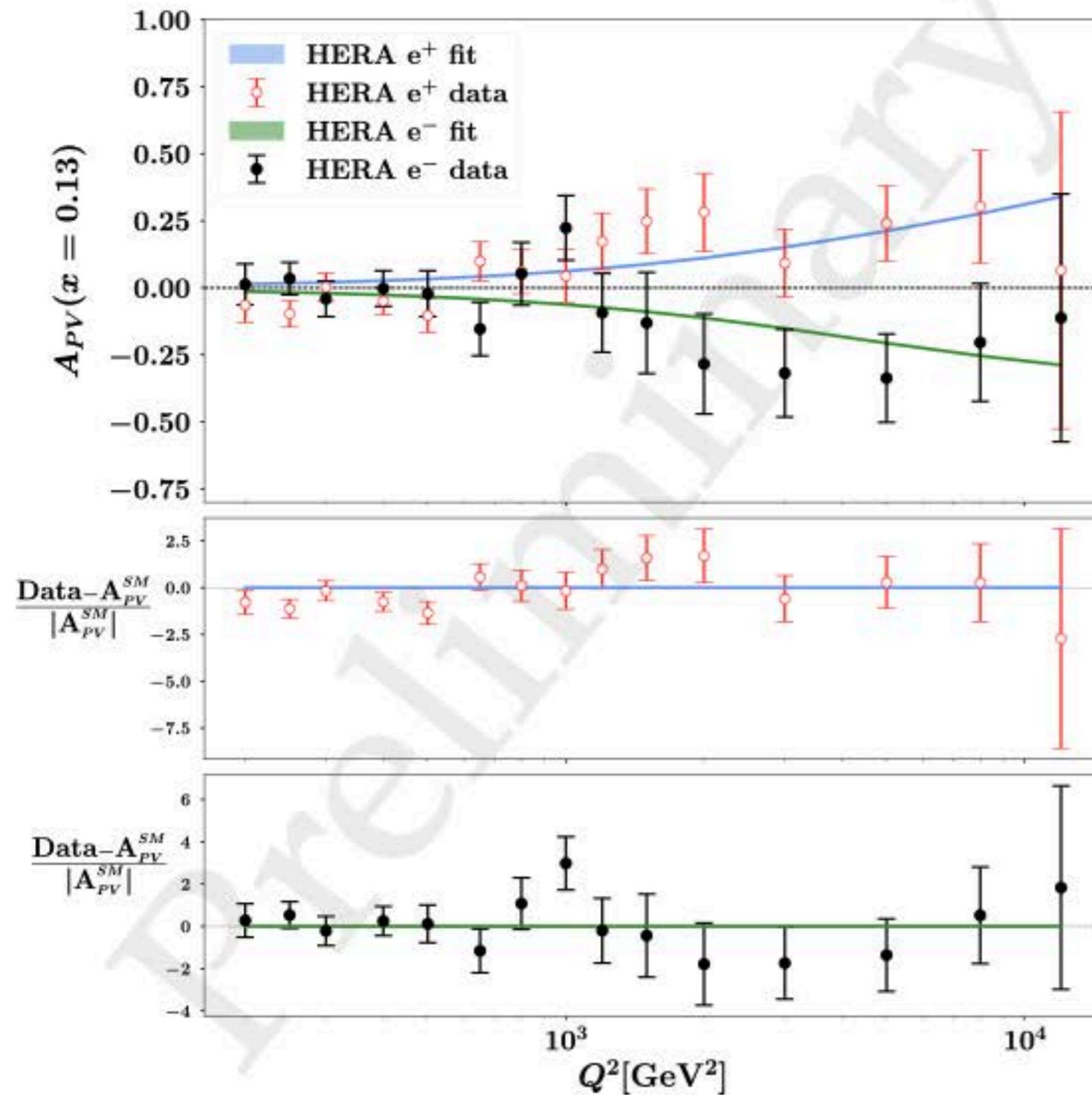


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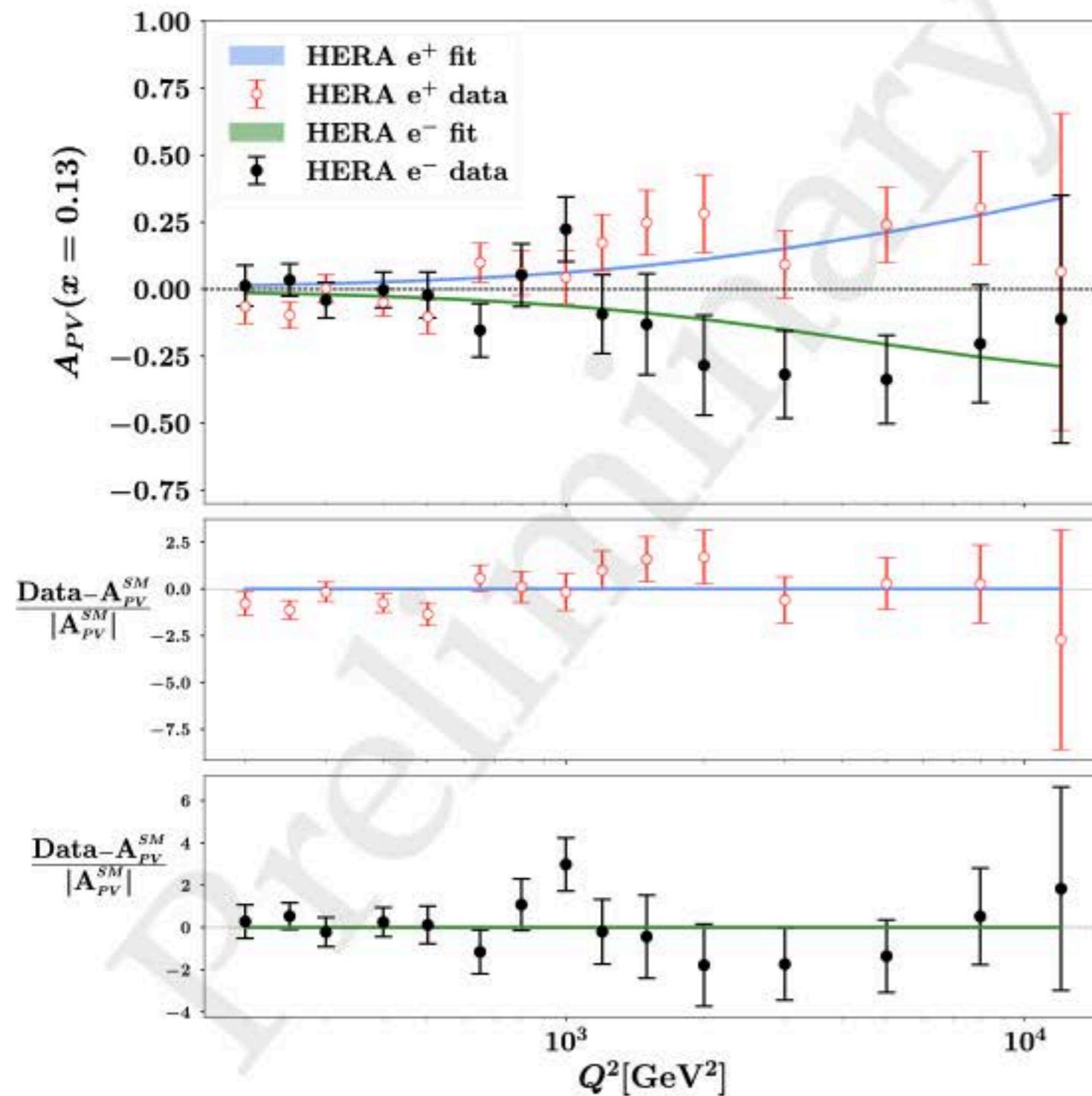
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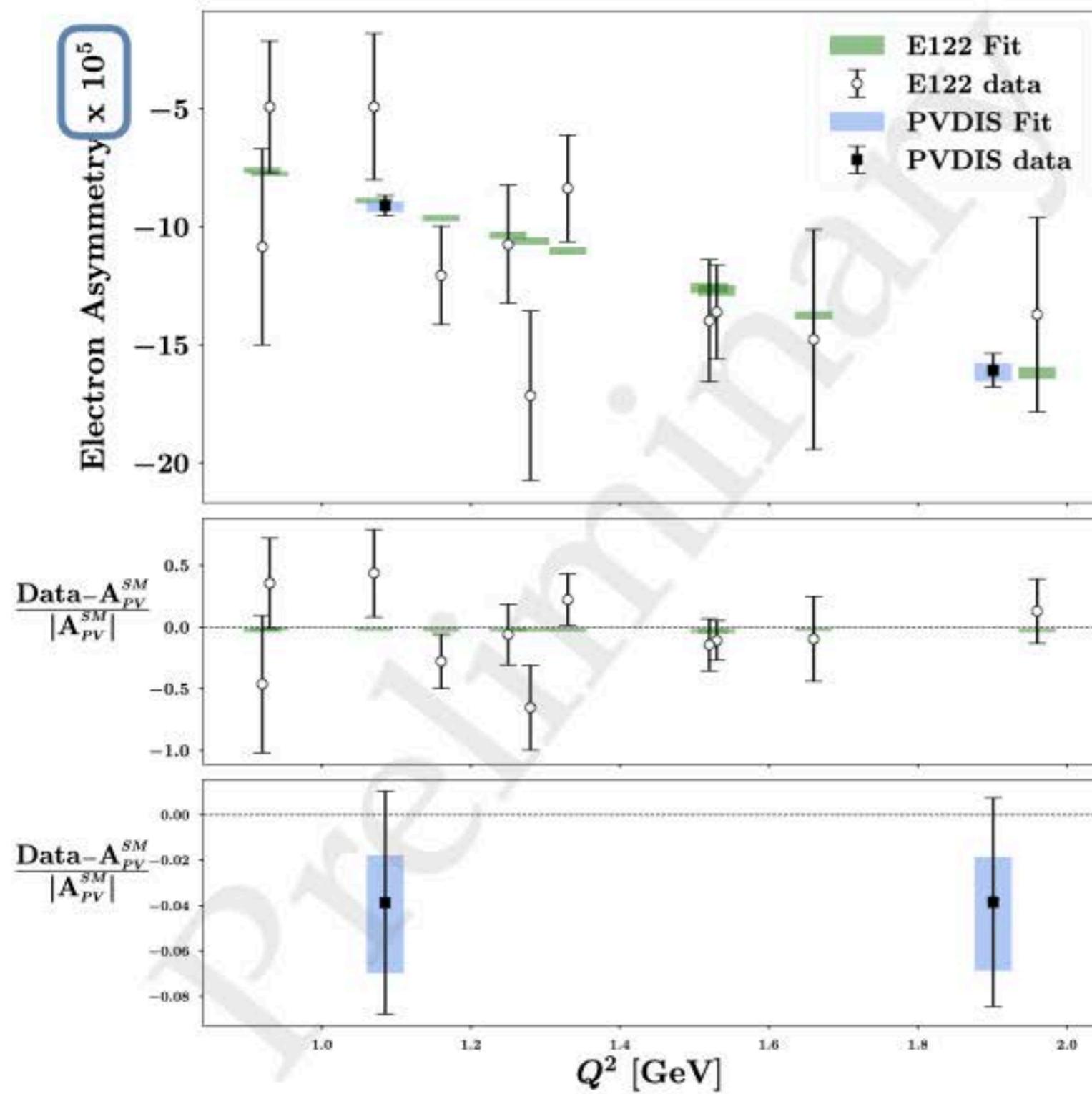


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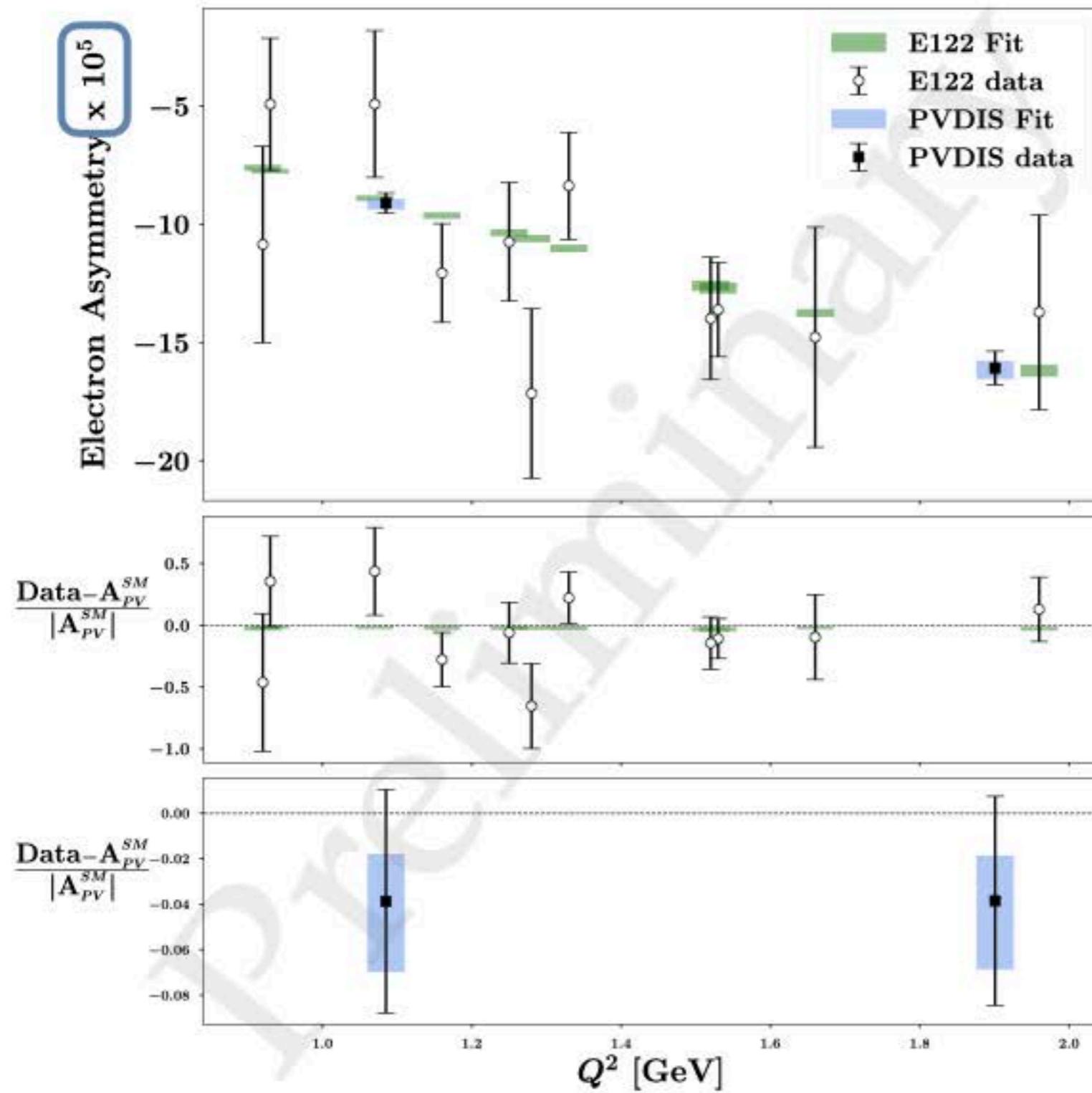
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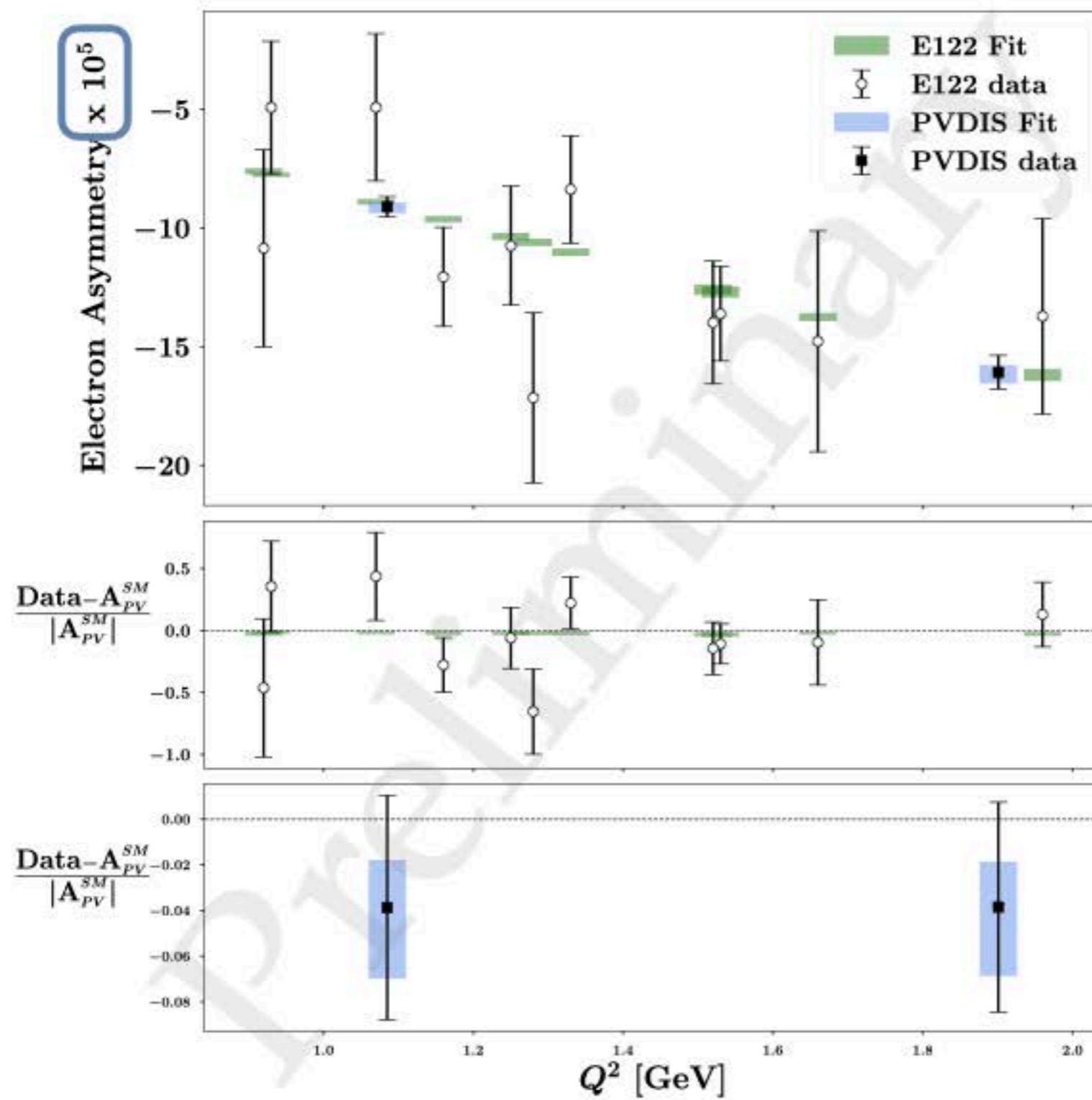


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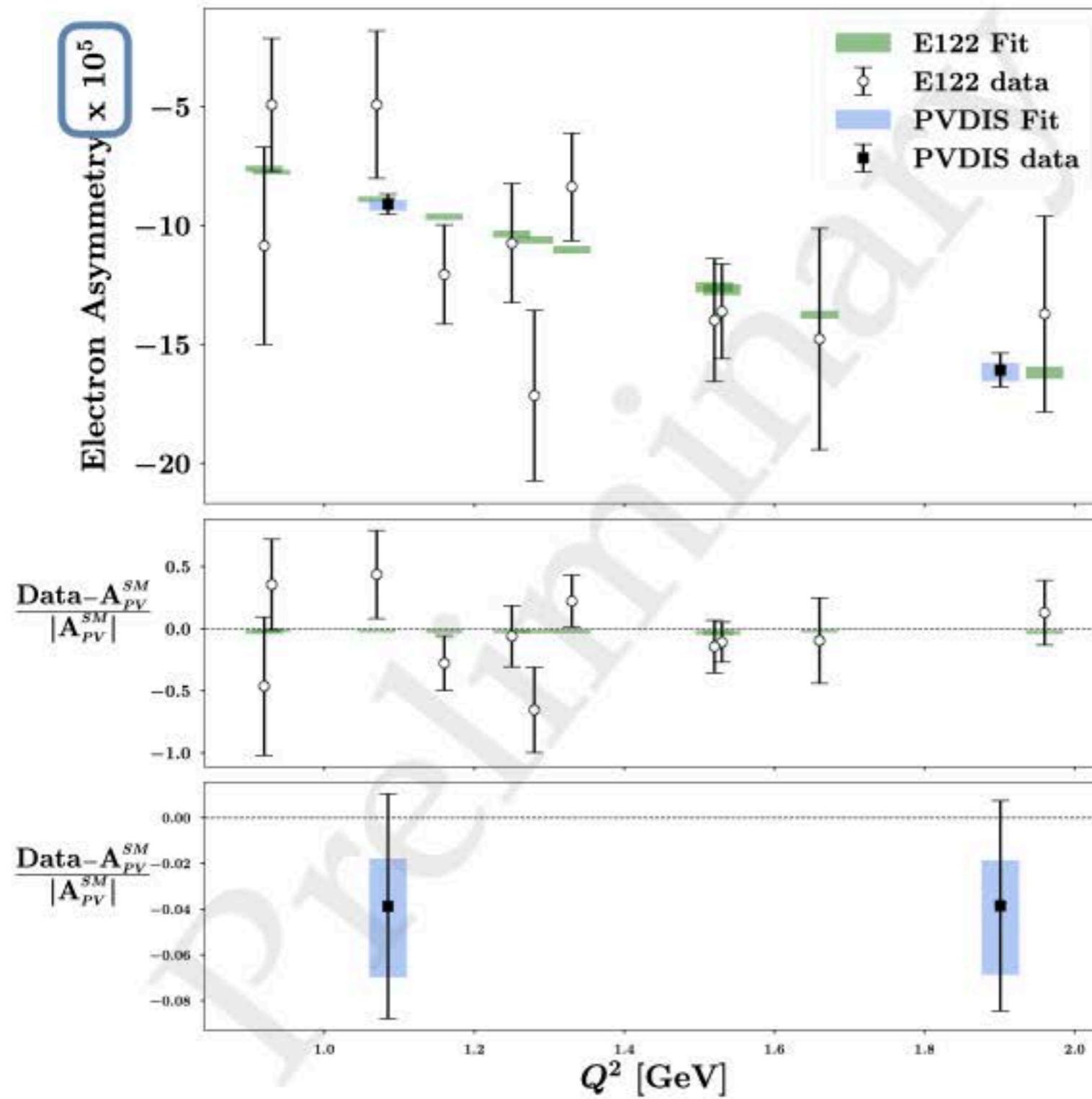
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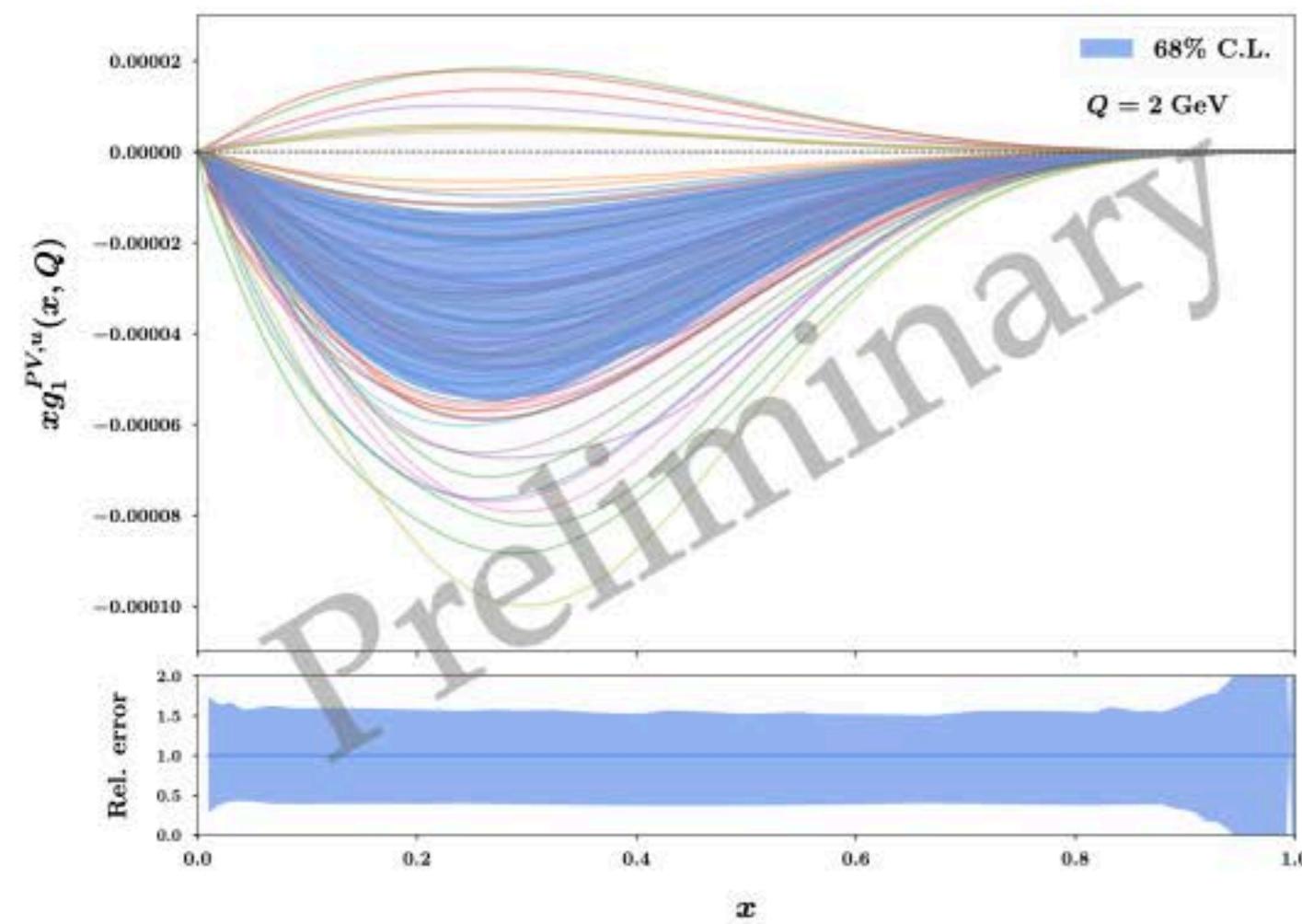
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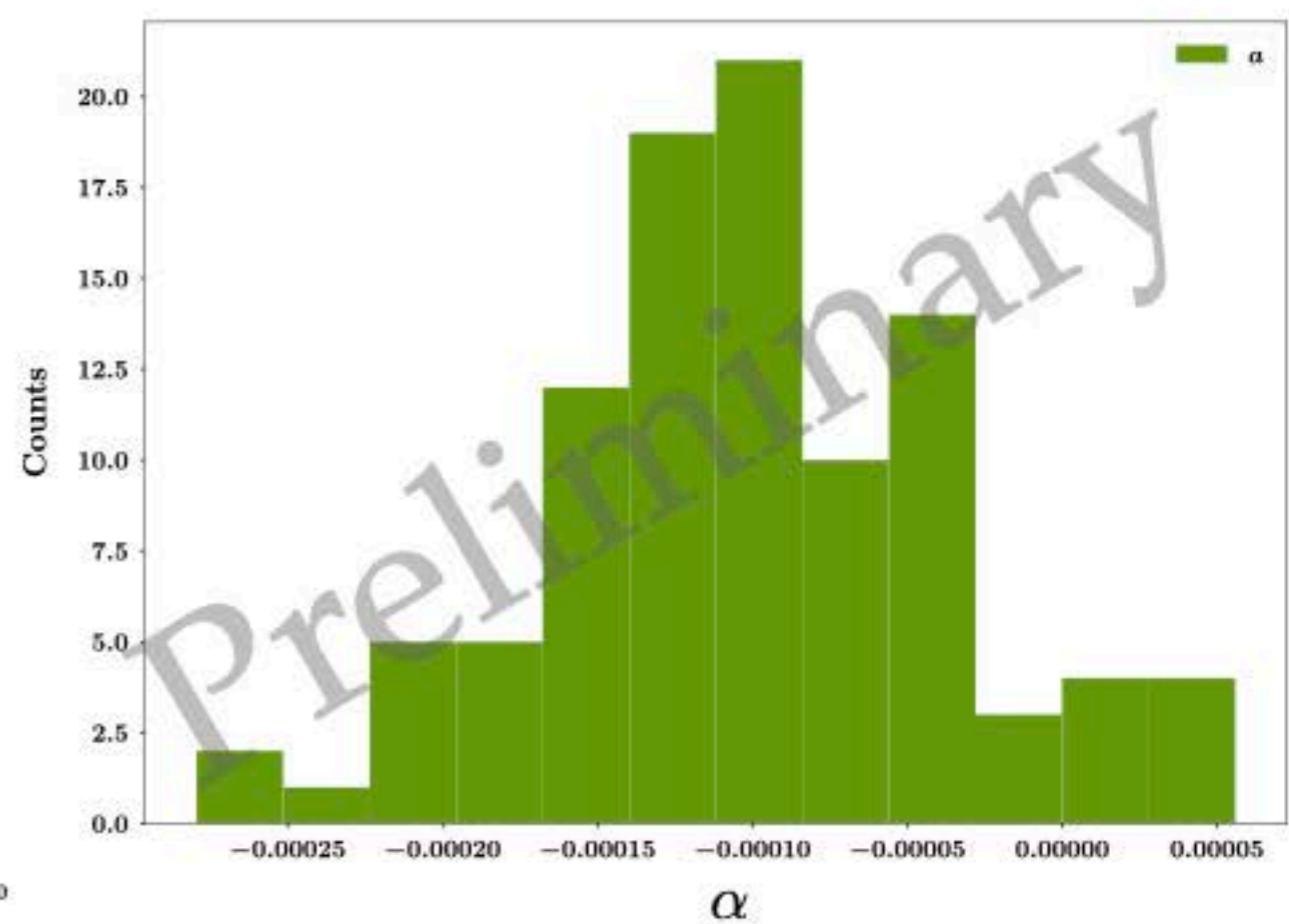
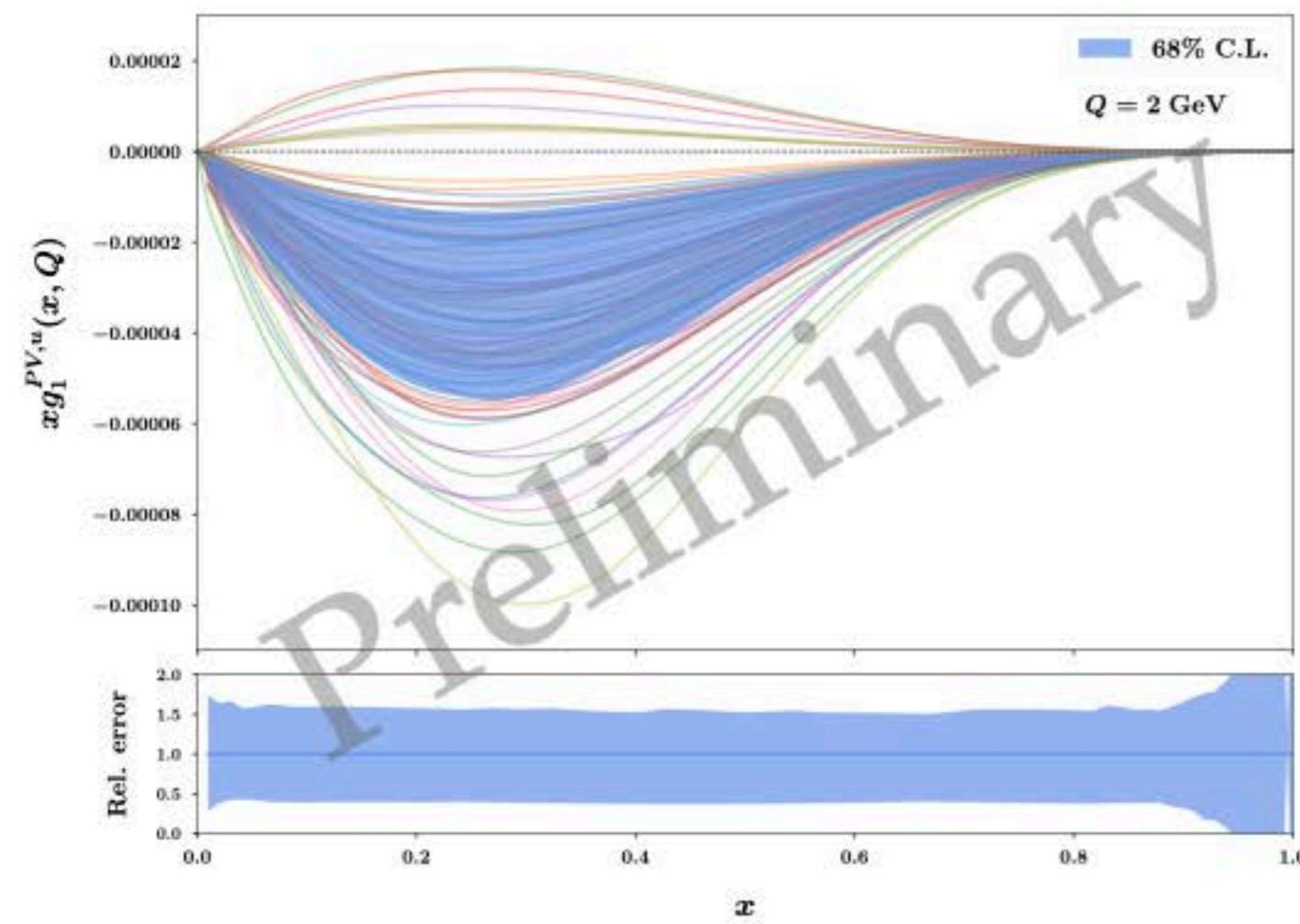
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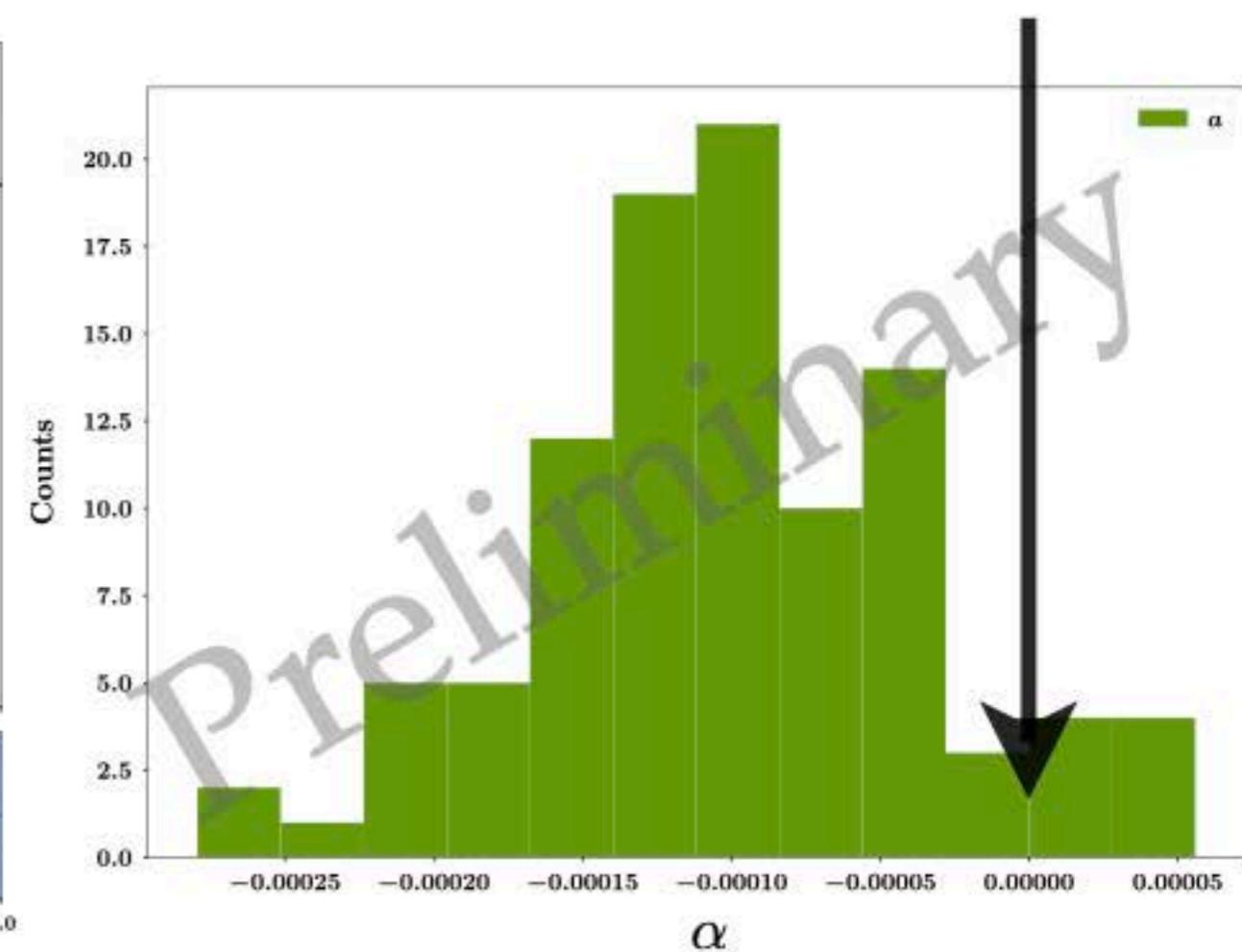
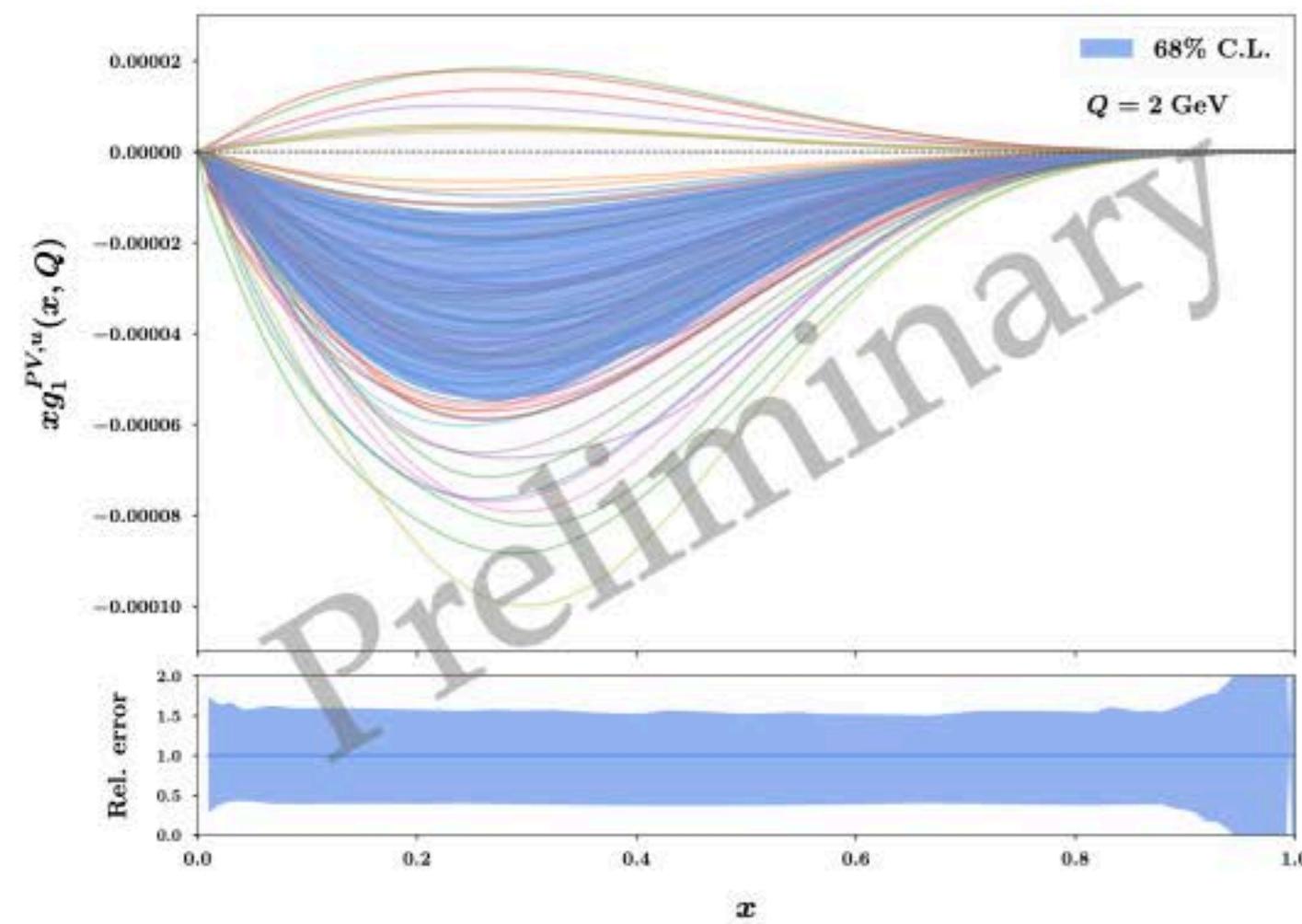


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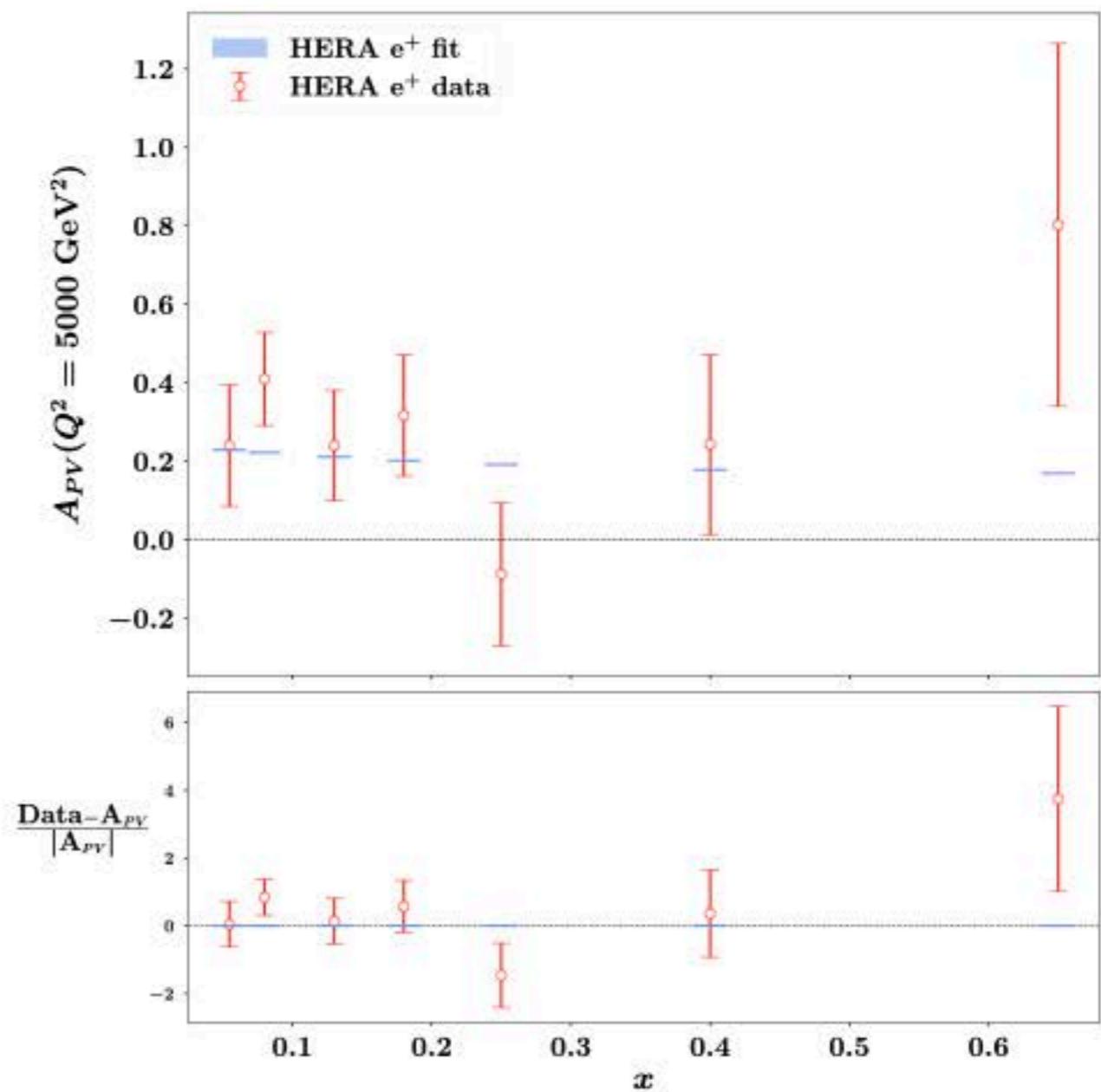
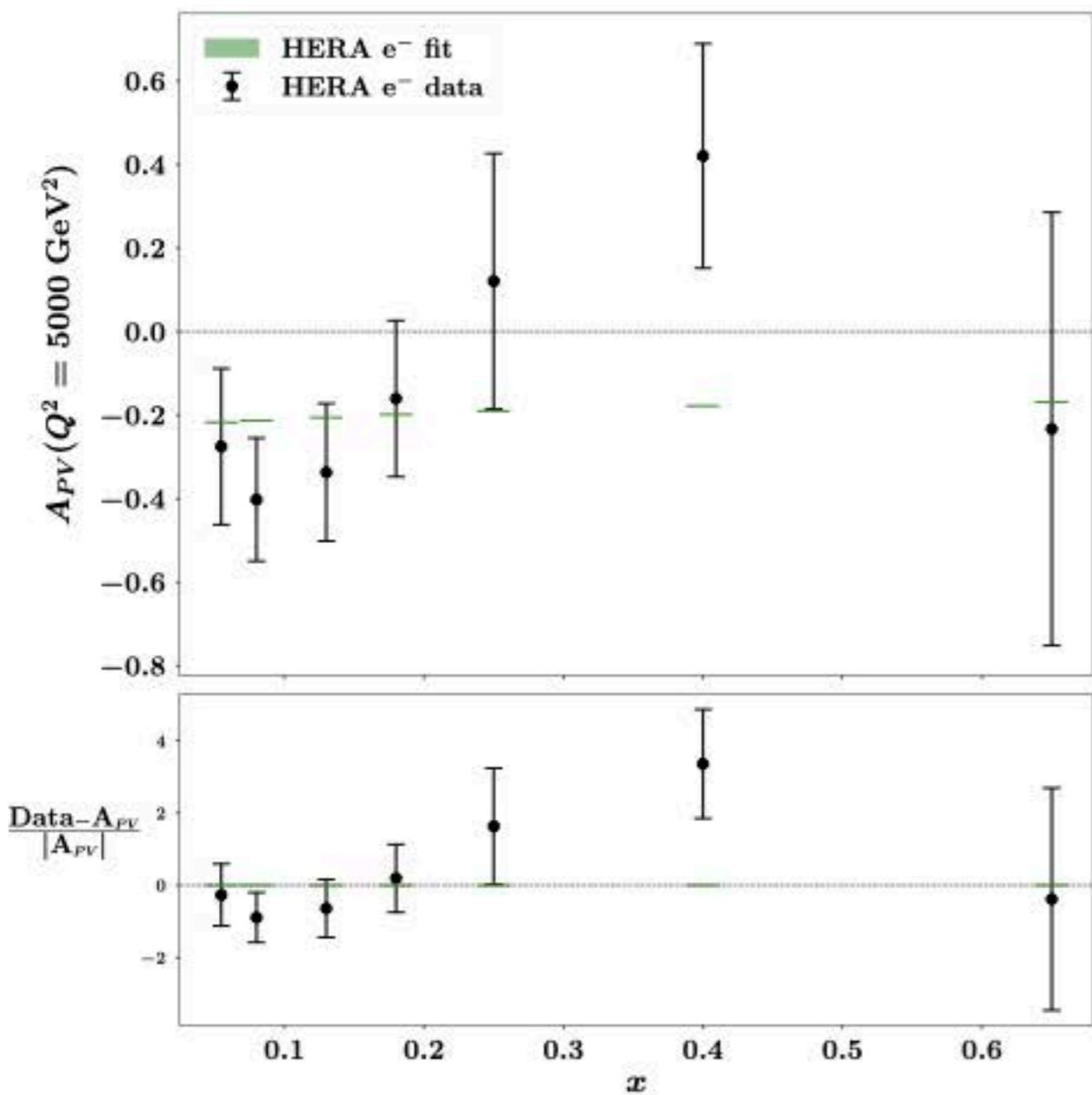


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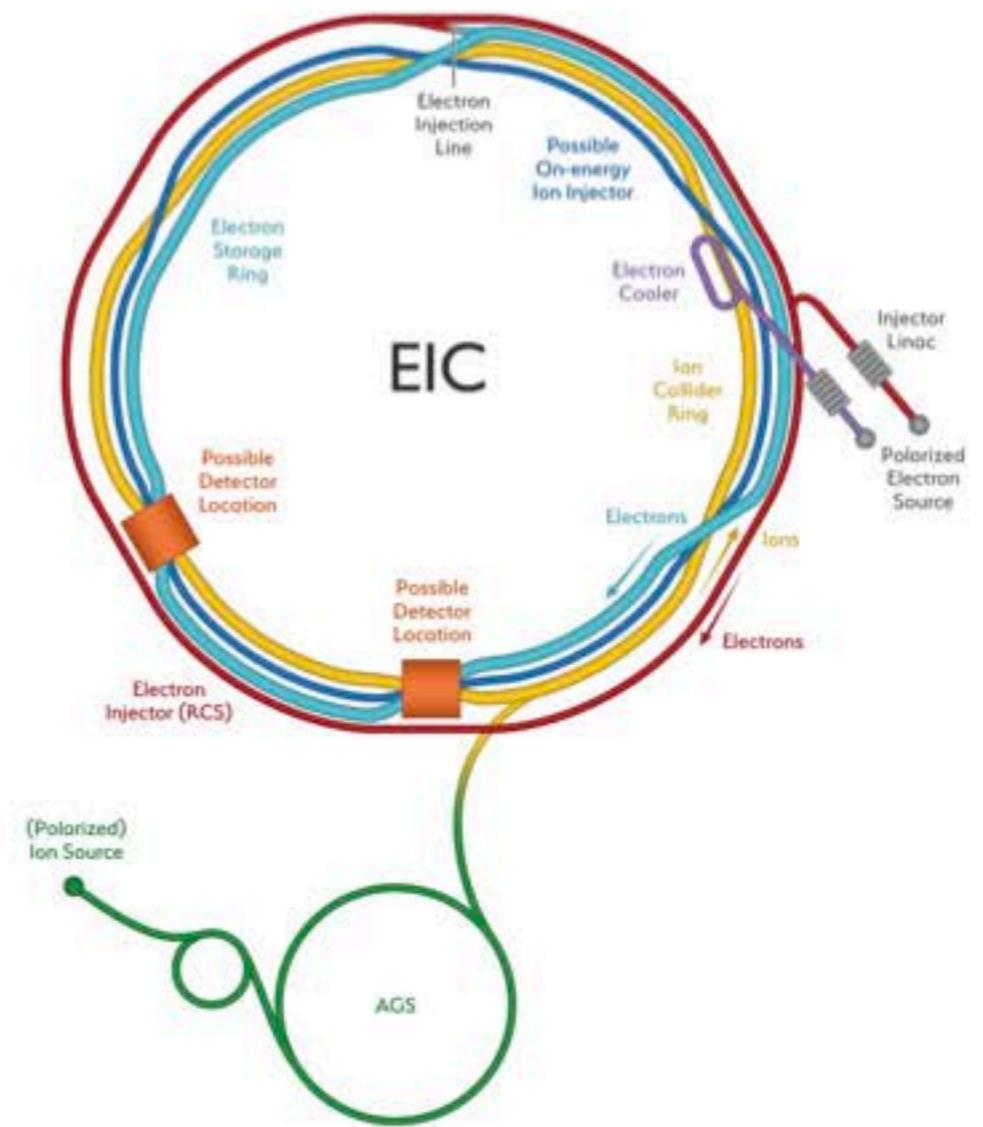
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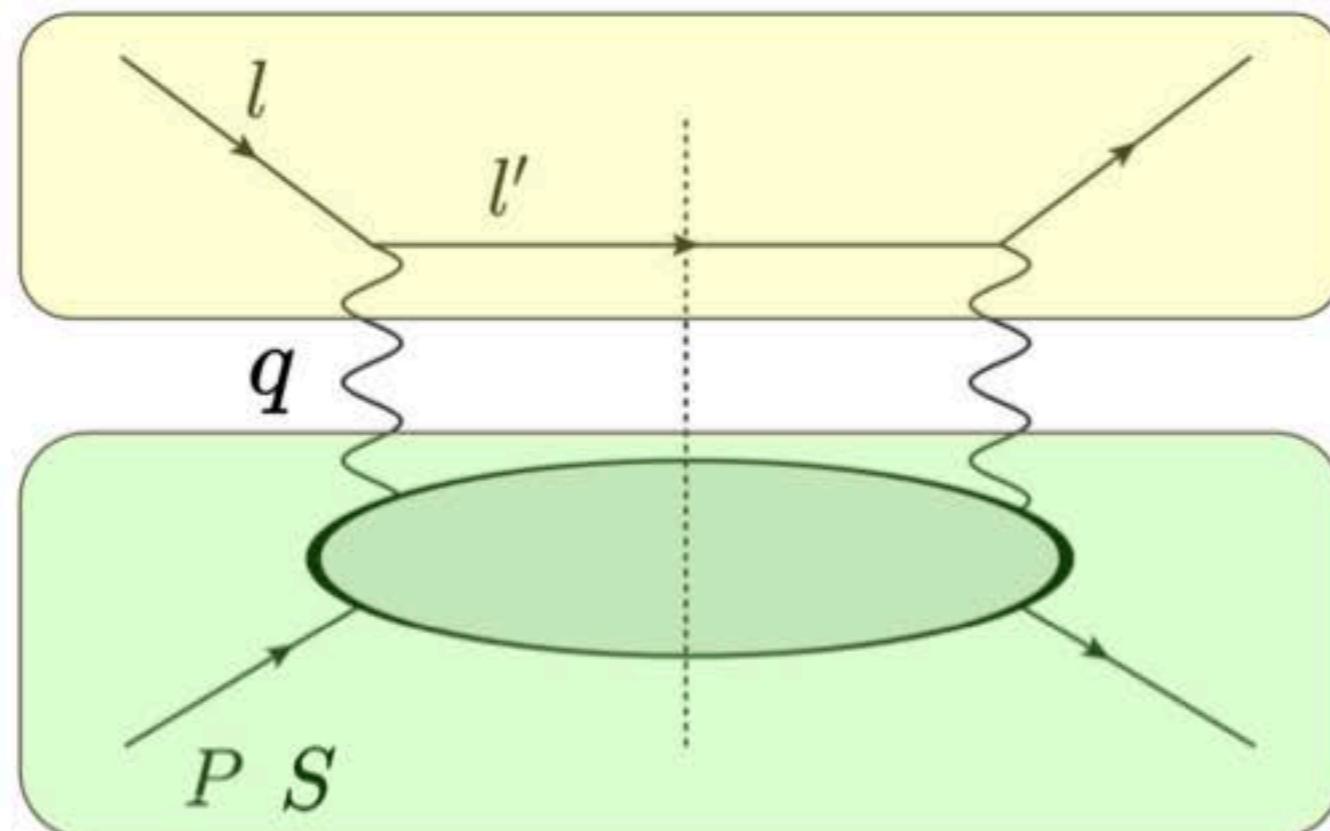
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