

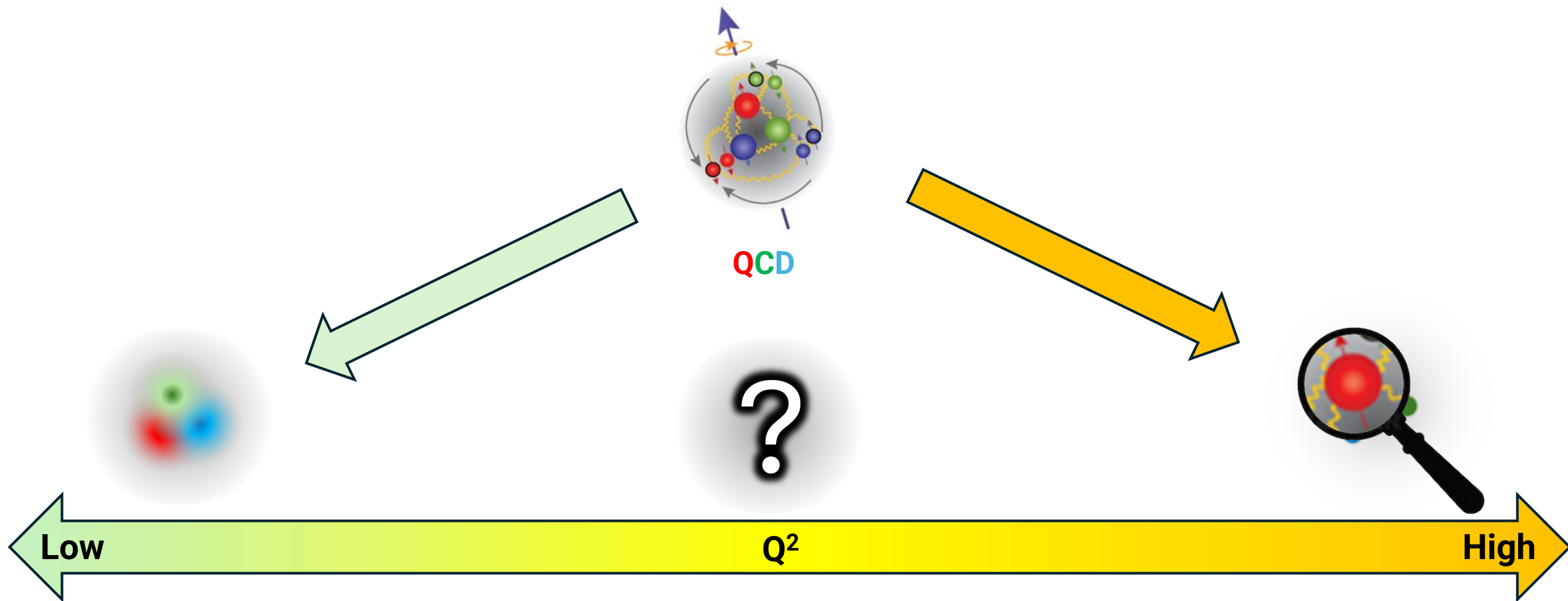
g2p2 Experiment Preparations

Tensor Collaboration Meeting

10/14/25

David Ruth





- Partons Combine to Form Nucleon
- Confinement
- Effective Theories: χ PT
- Can't use Twist Approx.

- Quark/Gluon Correlations
- Lattice QCD
- Higher Twists

- Individual Partons
- Asymptotic Freedom
- Perturbative QCD
- Leading Twist

How to study QCD and higher twist in the transition region?

- In unpolarized systems, F_1 / F_2 structure functions describe quark-gluon distribution:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \sigma_{\text{Mott}} \left[\frac{1}{\nu} F_2(x, Q^2) + \frac{2}{M} F_1(x, Q^2) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right]$$

- In a spin-1/2 polarized system, g_1/g_2 describe the spin distribution :

$$\frac{d^2\sigma^\pm}{d\Omega dE'} = \sigma_{\text{Mott}} \left[\alpha F_1(x, Q^2) + \beta F_2(x, Q^2) \pm \gamma \underline{g_1(x, Q^2)} \pm \delta \underline{g_2(x, Q^2)} \right]$$

Nucleon Spin Structure

Quark-Gluon Correlations

g_2 Structure Function enables direct tests of QCD and higher twist

- Higher Twist:

$$g_2(x, Q^2) = g_2^{WW}(x, Q^2) - \int_x^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{m_q}{M} h_T(y, Q^2) + \zeta(y, Q^2) \right] \frac{dy}{y}$$

Diagram annotations:

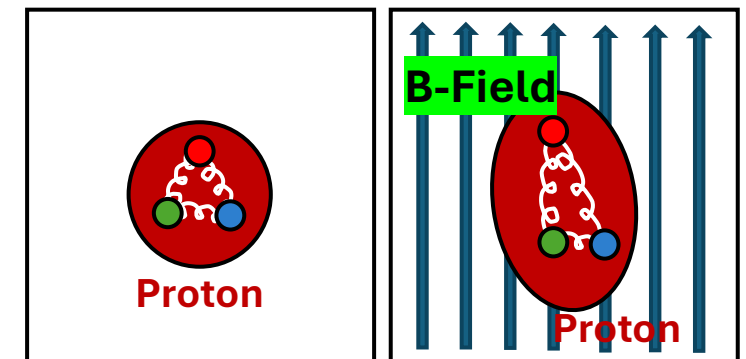
- A red arrow points from $g_2^{WW}(x, Q^2)$ to the text "Function of g_1 ".
- A red oval encircles the integral term.
- An orange arrow points from the word "Small" to the integral term.
- A green arrow points from a box labeled "Twist-3" to the $\zeta(y, Q^2)$ term within the integral.
- Red text to the right of the equation states: $\overline{g_2}$ - Never measured for the proton!

- Benchmarking (Lattice) QCD:

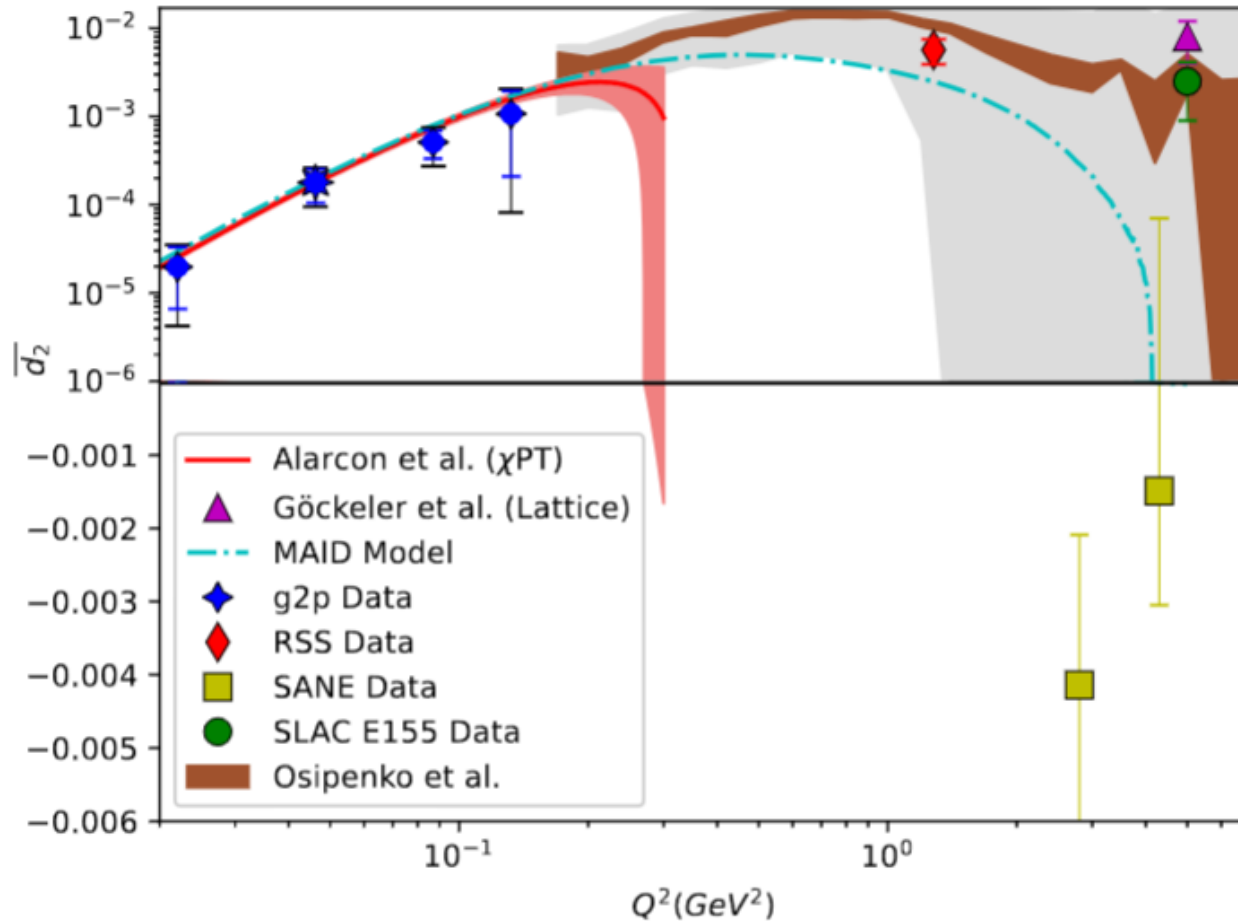
Weighted integrals (moments) of the spin structure functions can be directly calculated by effective theories:

$$\overline{d_2} = \int_0^{x_{th}} x^2 [2g_1(x, Q^2) + 3g_2(x, Q^2)] dx$$

Polarizabilities describe nucleon's ensemble response to an external field



“Color Polarizability” d_2



$$\overline{d_2} = \int_0^{x_{th}} x^2 [2g_1(x, Q^2) + 3g_2(x, Q^2)] dx$$

- At high Q^2 : color polarizability / “color Lorentz force”
- Interesting differences in existing data motivate further study
- **Upcoming lattice predictions** in this region need experimental benchmark!

g_2 is the perfect quantity to study the transition regime...

- Examine quark-gluon correlations ✓

$$g_2(x, Q^2)$$

- Study interaction dependent (twist-3) effects ✓

$$\overline{g_2}$$

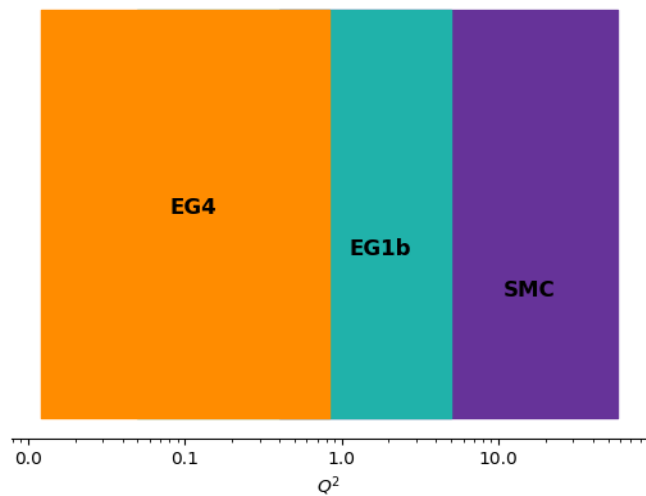
- Benchmark Lattice QCD ✓

$$d_2$$

- However...

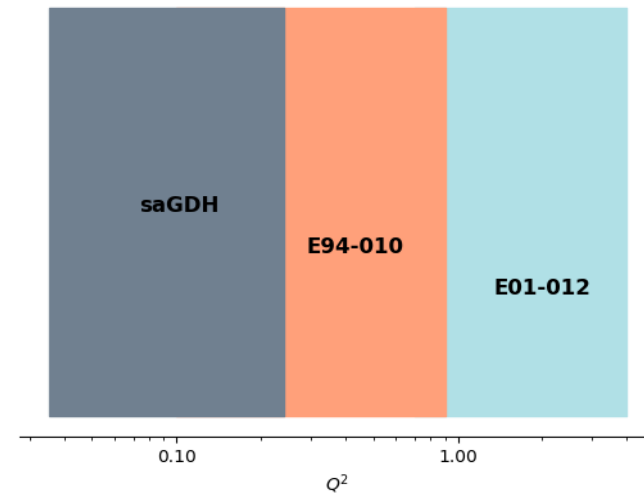
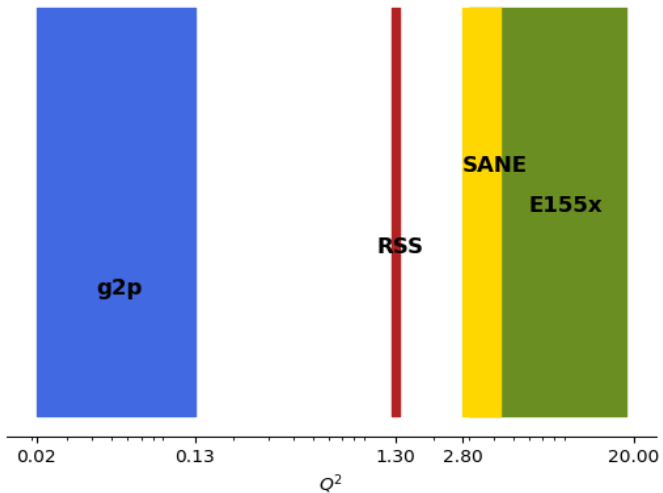
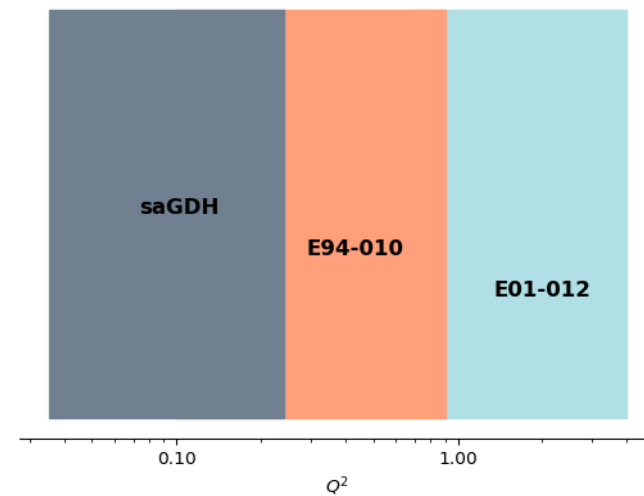
Proton

g_1

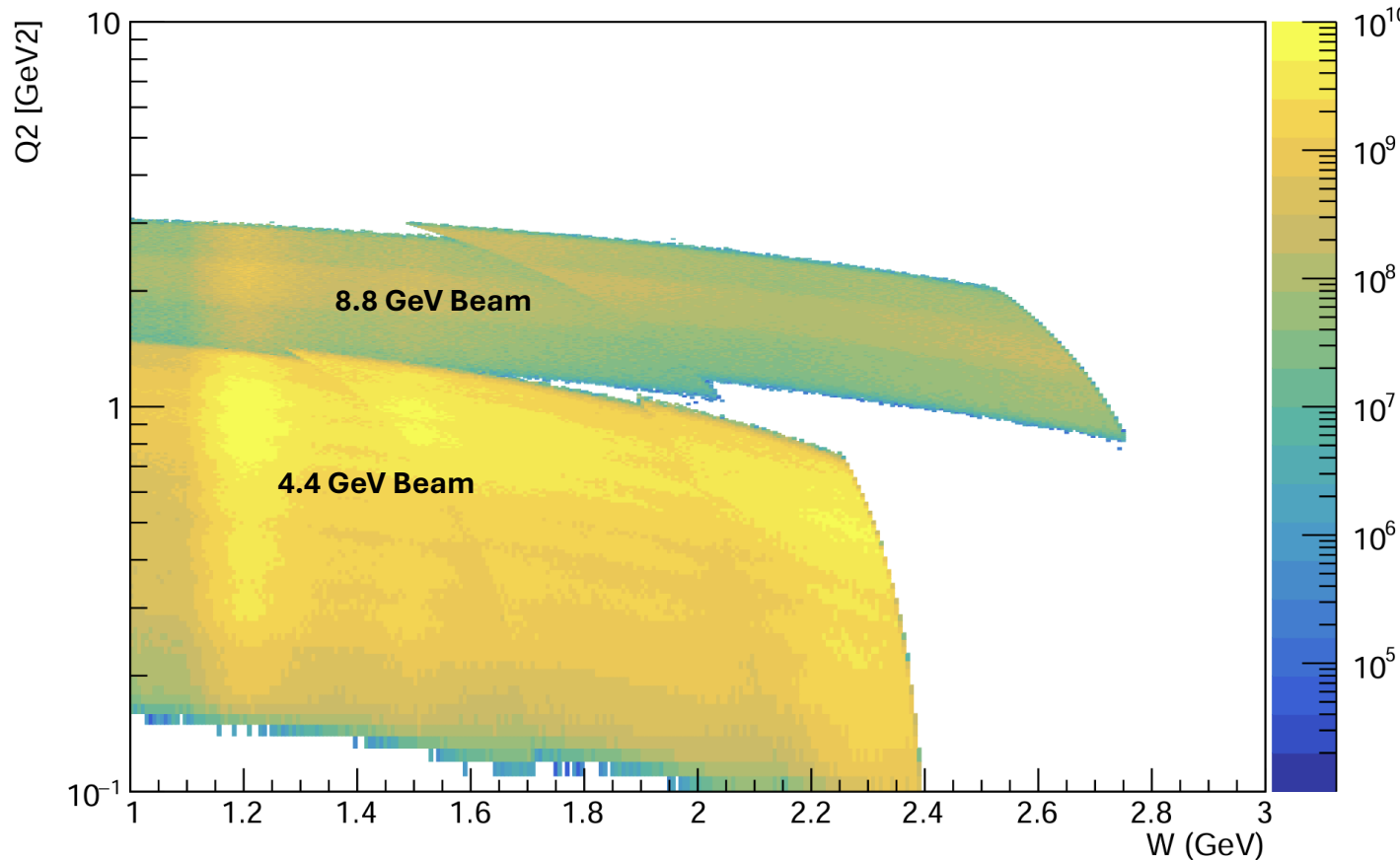


Neutron

g_2

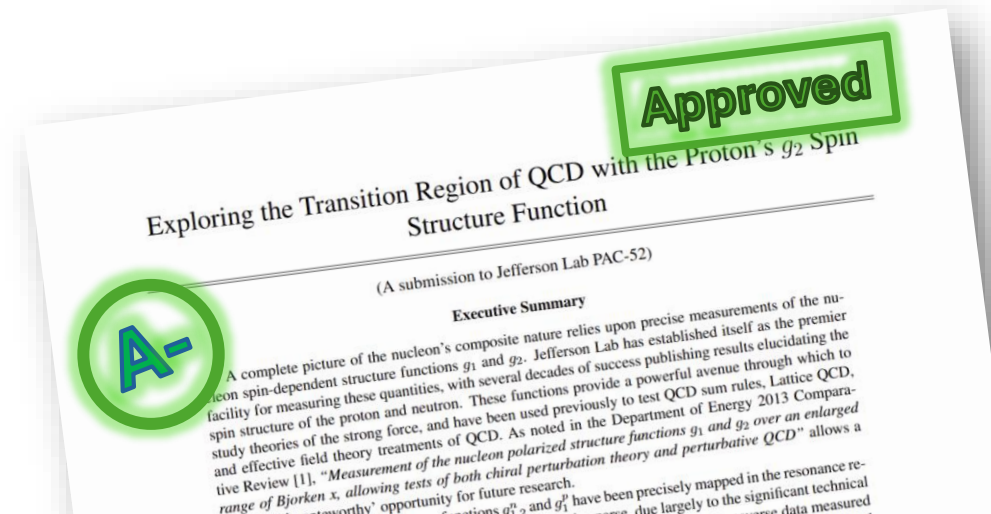


g2p2 Experiment (E12-24-002)



26 PAC Days

- Measure proton g_2 in the resonance region for **a full order of magnitude in Q^2 range** from 0.2 GeV^2 - 2.2 GeV^2
- Use a **transversely polarized NH_3 target** and the **SHMS spectrometer** in [Hall C](#)
- Collect the first transition region measurement of the proton's g_2 , and extract its moments and higher twist effects



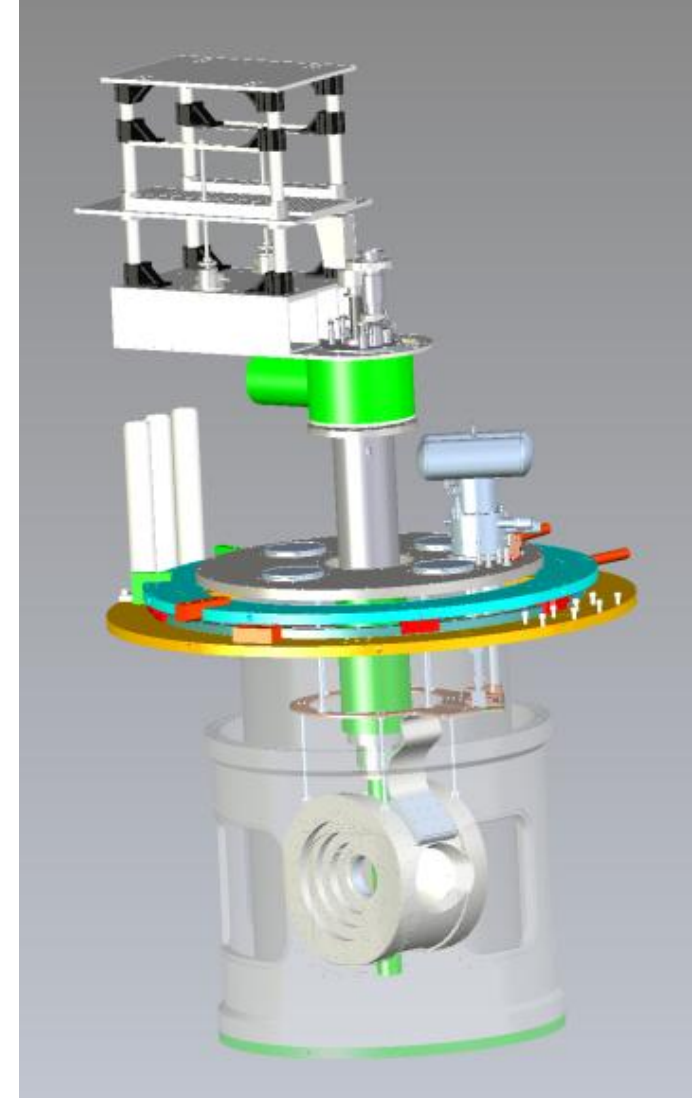
Synergy with Tensor Experiments

- Hall C Experimental setup shares many equipment needs:
 - Solid Polarized DNP Target
 - Slow Raster
 - Low Current Beamline Instrumentation
- Differences:
 - ~~Tensor Enhancement Techniques~~
 - Chicane Magnets
 - Transverse Target Field
- Currently plausible to be scheduled in sequence with b_1 and A_{zz}
- Makes a lot of sense to collaborate on preparing the equipment and simulations

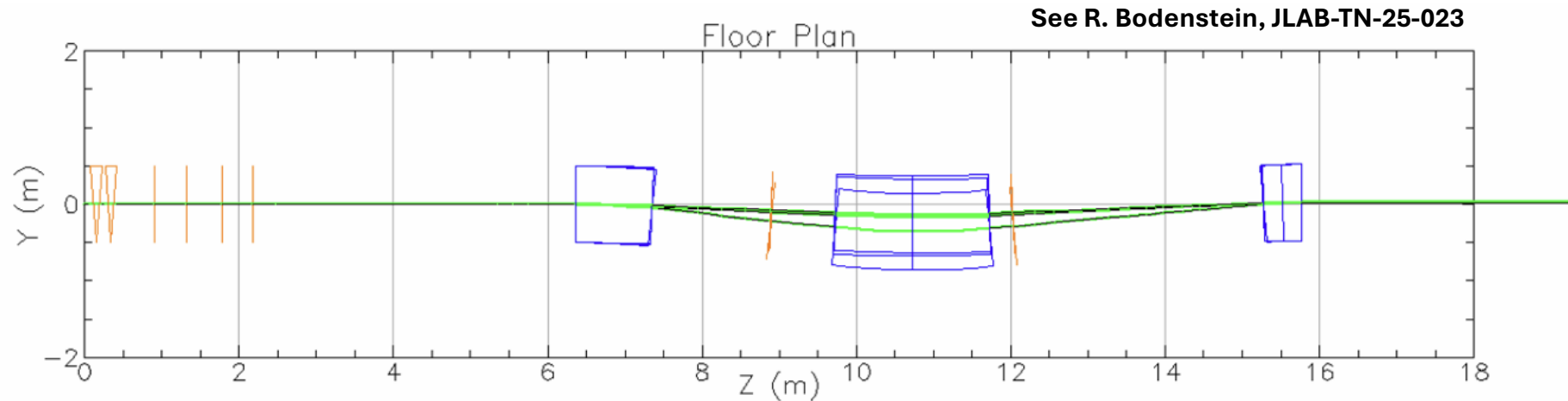
A lot of beamline work to be done...
See D. Gaskell talk yesterday

Solid Polarized Target

- NH_3 (Ammonia) target
- Dynamic Nuclear Polarization (DNP)
- When target group has space, effort must begin to commission new superconducting magnet w/ scattering chamber and older UVA system fridge **(1-2 years effort – C. Keith)**
- *$b_1 / A_{zz} / g2p2$ collaborations should support this effort in whatever way target group recommends*
- Students from   will be available to help



Chicane Magnet



- The transverse target field needs pre-bending of the beam
- Chicane design (J. Benesch) would replace two existing 1m dipoles
- Further BMAD optimization performed by R. Bodenstein
- **High Priority: designs/drawings for the chicane and hoist-included beamline**

g_2 Extraction Method

- Measure Asymmetry and Cross Section:

$$A_{\perp}^{Raw} = \frac{\sigma^{\uparrow\Rightarrow} - \sigma^{\downarrow\Rightarrow}}{\sigma^{\uparrow\Rightarrow} + \sigma^{\downarrow\Rightarrow}}$$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \frac{(ps)N}{N_{in}\rho(LT)\epsilon_{det}} \frac{f}{\Delta\Omega\Delta E'\Delta Z}$$

$$A^{exp} = \frac{1}{f \cdot P_t \cdot P_b} A^{raw}$$

Spin-Dependent Effects

Unpolarized Scattering

- Form Polarized XS Difference:

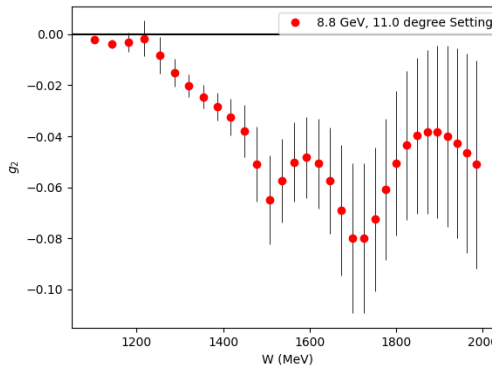
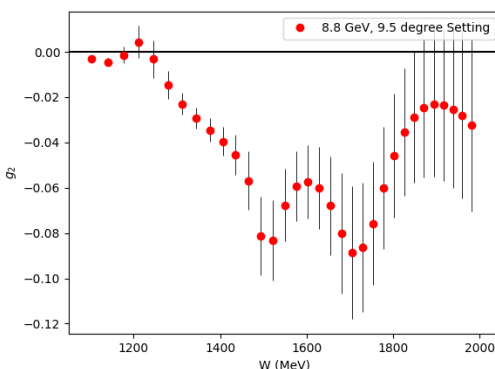
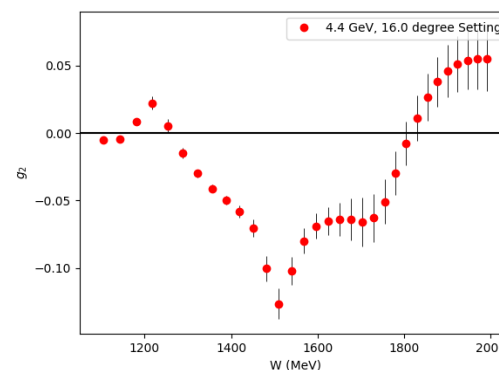
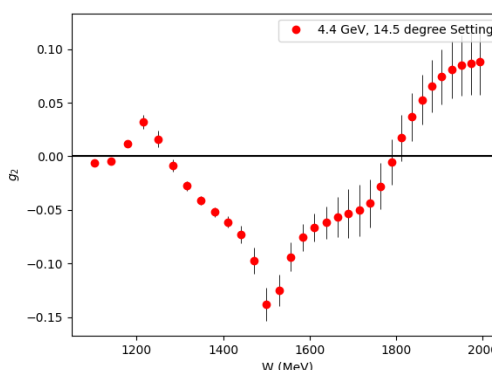
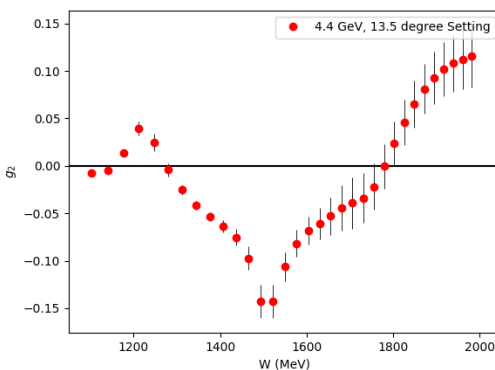
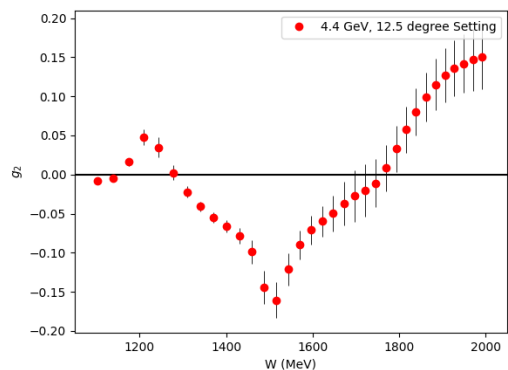
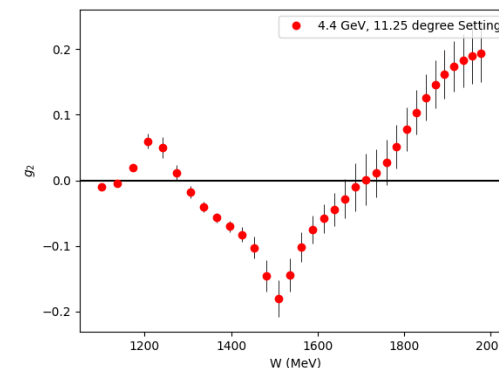
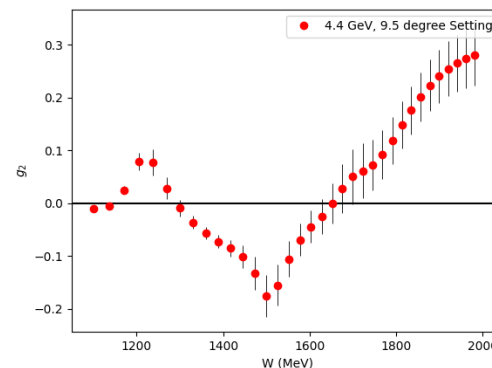
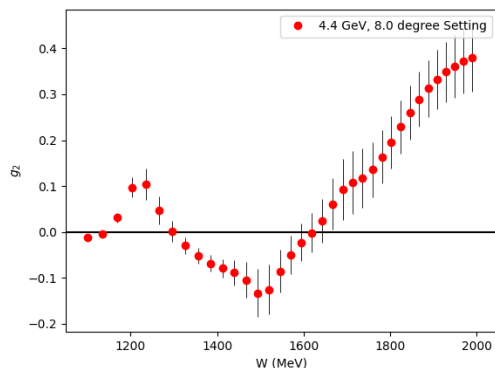
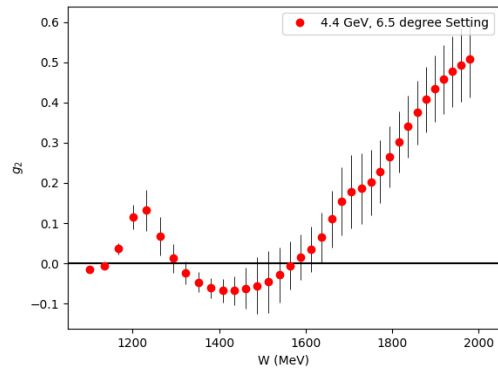
$$\Delta\sigma_{\perp} = 2A_{\perp}^{exp}\sigma_0$$

- Extract g_2

$$g_2(x, Q^2) = \frac{K_1 y}{2} \left[\Delta\sigma_{\perp} \left(K_2 + \tan\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right] + \frac{g_1(x, Q^2) y}{2}$$

Input from Hall B Data

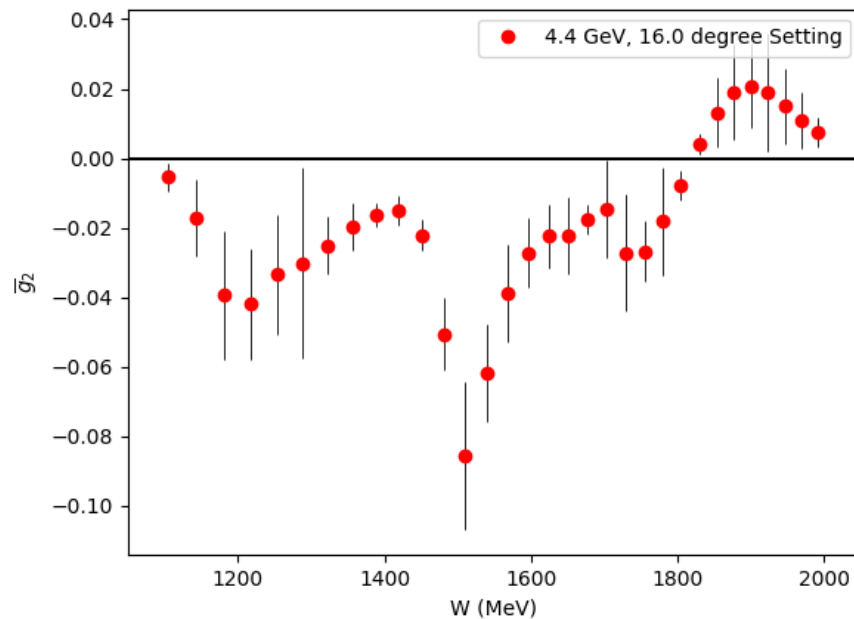
Projected g_2 Uncertainties



Covers almost the
entire transition region

Fills the last major Q^2
spectrum gap for the
nucleon spin structure
functions

$\overline{g}_2$ (Twist 3 Extraction)



$$g_2(x, Q^2) = g_2^{WW}(x, Q^2) - \int_x^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{m_q}{M} h_T(y, Q^2) + \underbrace{\zeta(y, Q^2)}_{\overline{g}_2 \text{ (Twist-3)}} \right] \frac{dy}{y}$$

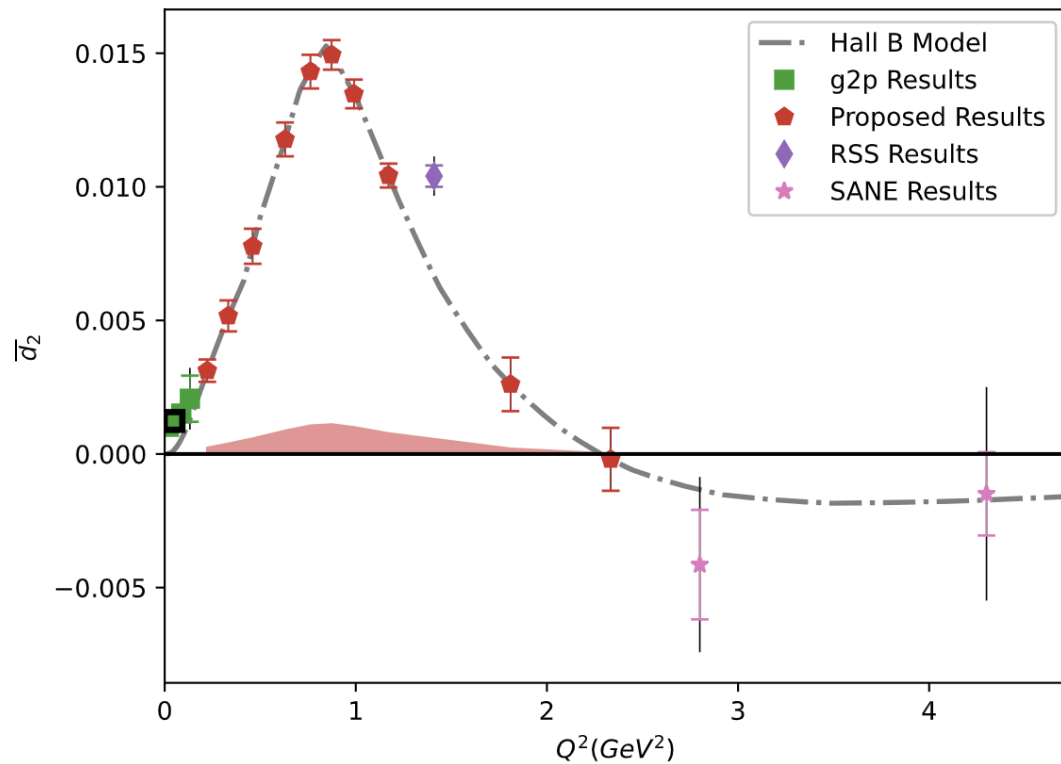
Utilize CLAS Hall B Results for g_1 in same regime

Small

- Direct extraction of Twist 3 effects **in the regime they contribute most significantly**
- Can also be used to study *Dynamical Mass Generation*

World First Extraction of this quantity

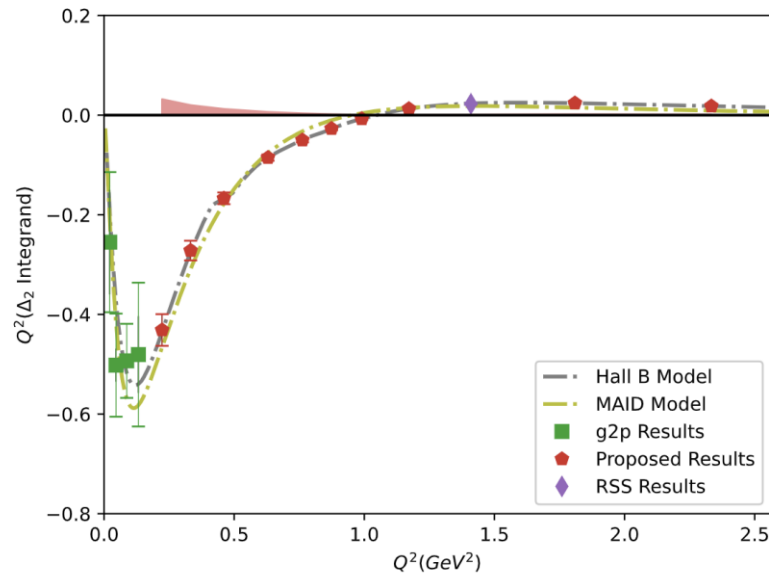
Projected $\overline{d_2}$ Uncertainties



Can benchmark Lattice QCD in the regime
where Perturbative QCD starts failing

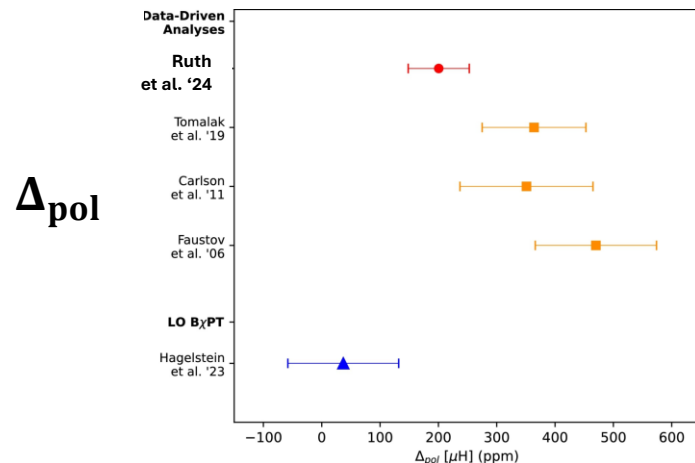
New Lattice calculations expected *in next few years!*

Hyperfine Splitting Impact



$$\Delta_2 = -24M_p^2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dQ^2}{Q^4} \int_0^{x_{th}} \widetilde{\beta}_2(x, Q^2) g_2(x, Q^2) dx$$

- Transition region accounts for **30% of Δ_2**
- These results can cut the error in this region to **$1/6$ of the current error**
- $\Delta_{pol} = c(\Delta_1 + \Delta_2)$ accounts for **81%** of the current two-photon Hyperfine Splitting uncertainty
- Opportunity to **study or maybe eliminate a long-standing tension** between theory and experiment for Δ_{pol} !



Preparing for ERR

- **Not too soon to think about:** Though it is early days for this experiment, the sooner we can be ready the more options the lab has to fit us into the schedule
- **Major Requirements (guess):**
 - Proving the transverse target will be operational in time
 - Designs and drawings for beamline revision outlined by D. Gaskell
 - Proving the beamline instruments can run at 85 nA (see D. Mack talk)
- ***Possibility of a joint ERR with b1/Azz?*** More discussion needed since timetable is uncertain
- Collaboration will be ready to send students, help build or obtain equipment, lobby with lab leadership about the importance of the experiment, or anything else that is needed/helpful
- **Relying on JLab staff to help us figure out where we can actually be helpful**

Thanks to the Collaboration!



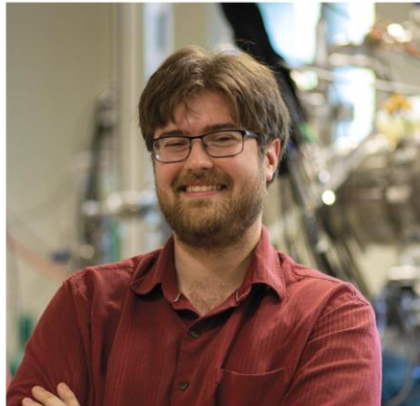
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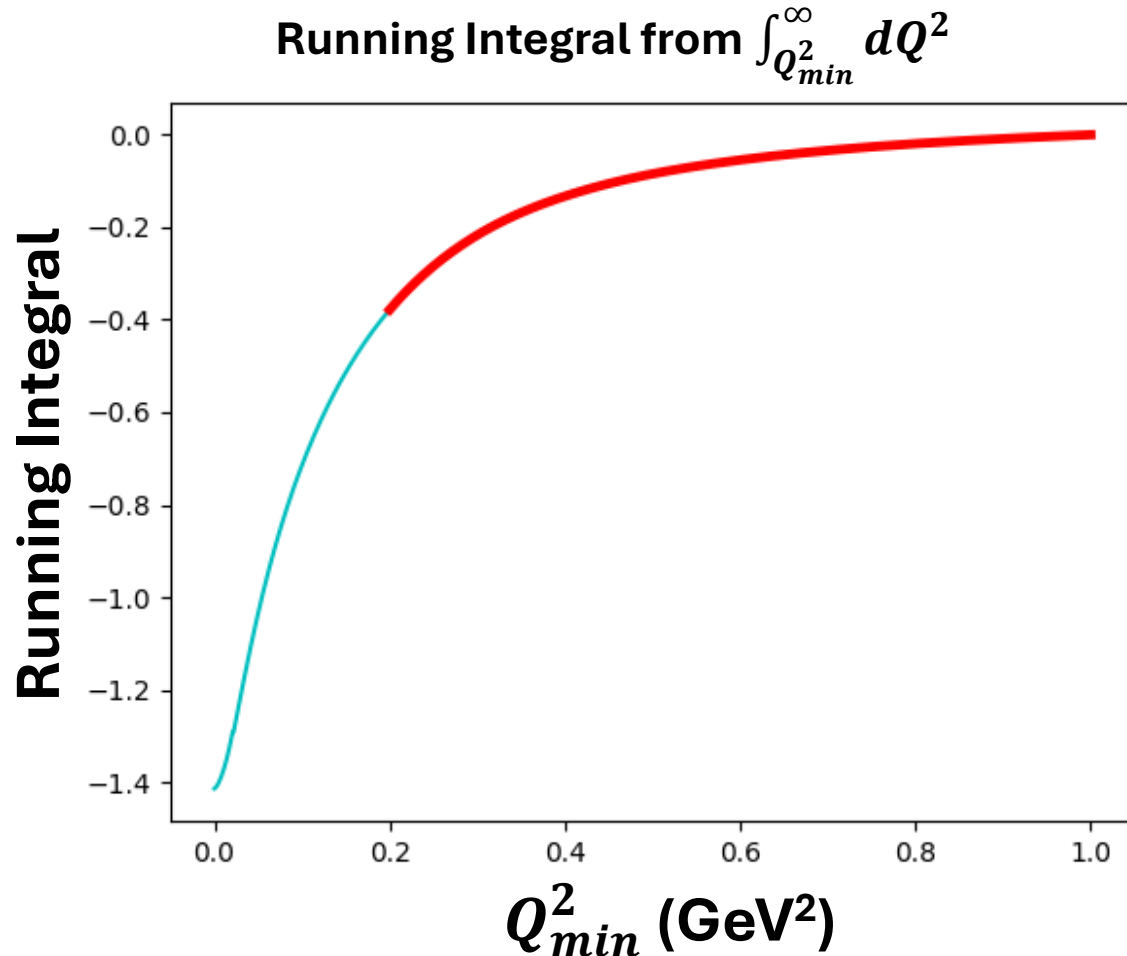
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Hyperfine Contribution



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- The leading error in theoretical calculations of the hydrogen HFS comes from these spin-structure function dependent integrals!
- The subject of an ongoing tension between theory and experiment
- The transition region accounts for ~30% of the integral!

Rates Table

Total PAC Days:
13.0

E ₀ (GeV)	Scattering Angle (deg)	P ₀ (GeV)	Target Q ² (GeV ²)	Proton Rate (Hz)	Rate (kHz)	Time (h)
4.4	6.5	3.607	0.22	77	40.0	1
		2.661		65	25.1	1
		1.963		69	18.9	1
	8	3.607	0.33	41	21.4	1.3
		2.661		28	11.5	1.9
		1.963		30	8.3	1.8
	9.5	3.607	0.46	18	9.1	2.3
		2.661		14	5.9	3.0
		1.963		15	4.3	2.8
	11.2	3.607	0.62	7	3.7	6.0
		2.661		6	3.0	6.5
		1.963		7	2.2	5.9
	12.5	3.607	0.765	4	2.0	9.1
		2.661		4	1.9	8.5
		1.963		4	1.5	7.6
	13.5	3.607	0.892	2	1.3	16.5
		2.661		3	1.3	13.7
		1.963		3	1.1	12.1
	14.5	3.607	1.028	1	0.8	23.2
		2.661		2	1.0	17.4
		1.963		2	0.8	14.9
	16	3.607	1.250	0	0.4	50.8
		2.661		1	0.6	32.7
		1.963		1	0.5	26.6
8.8	11	7.213	2.3	0	0.5	33.3
		5.321		0	0.8	19.0
	14	7.213	3.44	0	0.1	101.8
		5.321		0	0.2	31.6

Overhead

- **Total: 12.7 Overhead Days (305.5)**

Overhead	Number	Time Per (hr)	(hr)
Target Anneal	26	2.0	52.0
Beamline Survey	10	8.0	80.0
Target Swap	2	4.0	8.0
Target T.E.	6	4	24.0
Target Field Ramp	10	1.0	10.0
Carbon, Dummy, Empty runs	28	0.5	14.0
Pass Change	2	4.0	8.0
Momentum Change	28	0.5	14.0
Moller Measurement	10(+1 shift)	4.0(+8.0)	48.0
Pair-Symmetric Background	2	4.0	8.0
Optics Calibration	2	16.0	32.0
BCM Calibration	2	4.0	8.0

Burkhardt-Cottingham Sum Rule

$$\Gamma_2 = \int_0^{x_{th}} g_2(x, Q^2) dx = 0$$

- “Superconvergence” Sum Rule for an amplitude whose imaginary part is g_2
- Assuming convergent dispersion relations for $g_2(\nu)$ and $\nu g_2(\nu)$, arises naturally from subtraction of VVCS amplitudes:
 - $Im S_2(\nu, Q^2) = \frac{2\pi}{\nu^2 M} g_2(x, Q^2)$
 - $S_2(\nu, Q^2) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\nu_{th}}^{\infty} \frac{\nu' Im S_2}{\nu'^2 - \nu^2} d\nu'$
 - $\nu S_2(\nu, Q^2) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\nu_{th}}^{\infty} \frac{\nu' Im S_2}{\nu'^2 - \nu^2} d\nu'$
- B.C. Integral converges to 0 in both QED and Perturbative QCD, and follows from Wandzura-Wilczek relation (Altarelli et al [1994], R. L. Jaffe [1990 Review])

Projected Γ_2 Uncertainties

- Having data in the regime where twist-2 assumption fails helps us better understand the small-x regime
- If B.C. Sum Rule is followed, then we directly measure how the low-x part transitions from g_2^{WW} into a more complex form!

