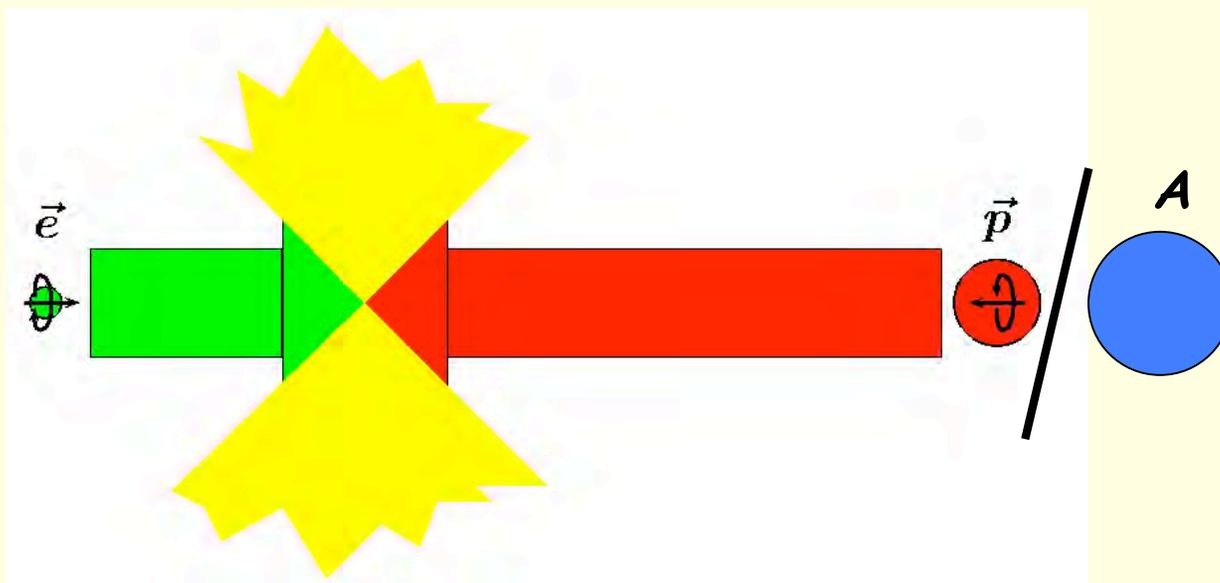




# Physics & the Status of the Electron Ion Collider



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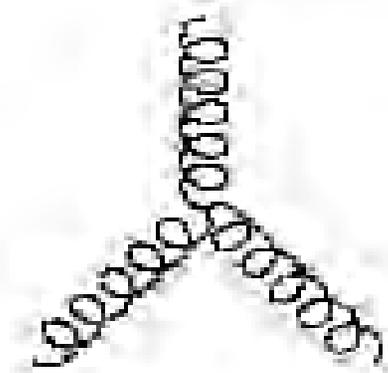


So everything is made of quarks and leptons, eh? Who would have *thought* it was so simple?

**And WRONG!**

WITHOUT GLUE THERE  
WOULD BE  
NO PROTONS,  
NO NEUTRONS,  
NO ATOMIC NUCLEI....

INTERACTIONS AMONGST  
GLUONS DETERMINE  
THE UNIQUE FEATURES OF  
STRONG  
INTERACTIONS!



# Fundamental Questions in QCD

- How do **gluons** contribute to the structure of the **nucleon**?
- What role do the **gluons** play in determining the spin structure of the **nucleon**?
- What is the spatial distribution of the **gluons and sea quarks** in the **nucleon**?
- How do the **gluons** contribute to the structure of the **nuclei**?
- What are the properties of *high density gluon* matter?
- How do fast quarks and **gluons** interact when they traverse through **nuclear matter**?

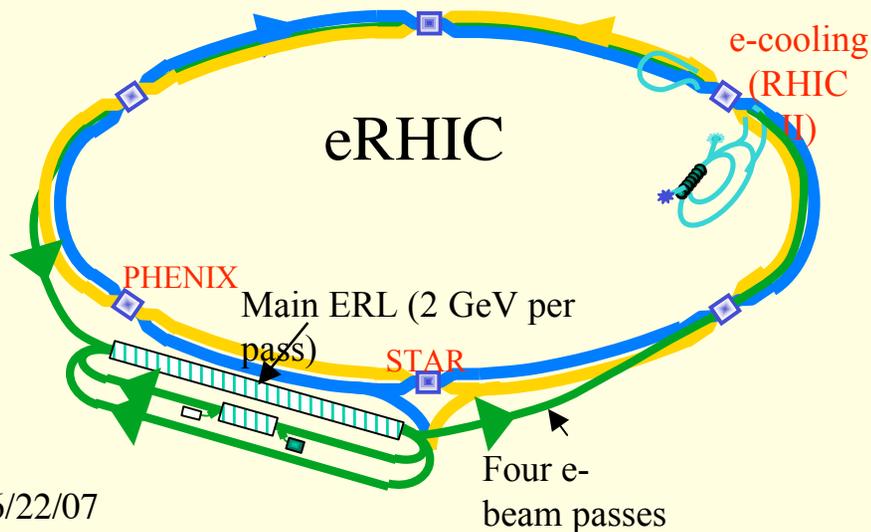
## How do we get to the answers?

Precise imaging of  
the sea-quarks and  
gluons  
in the nucleon

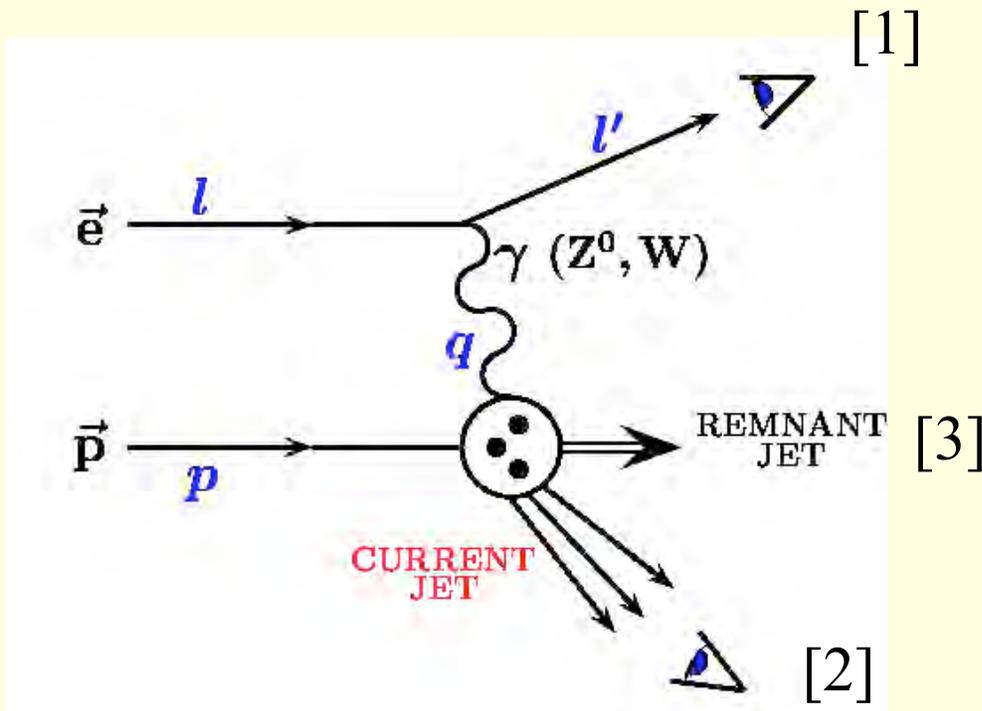
Need to explore a  
new QCD frontier:  
of strong color fields  
in nuclei

# Electron Ion Collider

- Addition of a high energy polarized electron beam facility to the existing RHIC will drastically enhance our ability to study fundamental and universal aspects of QCD [**eRHIC**]
  - Alternatively, one could add a high energy hadron/nuclear beam facility at Jefferson Laboratory [**ELectron Ion Collider: ELIC**]



# Deep Inelastic Scattering



$$Q^2 = -q^2 = sxy$$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}$$

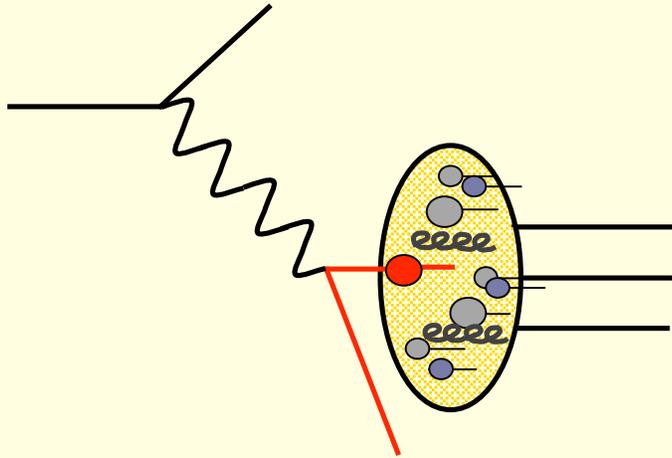
$$y = \frac{p \cdot q}{p \cdot l}$$

$$s = 4E_e E_p$$

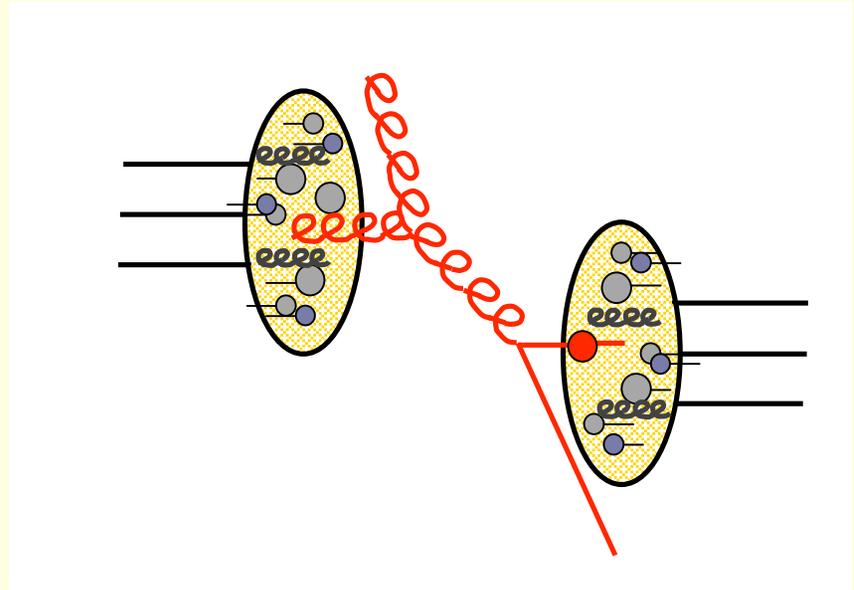
$$W = (q + p)^2$$

- Observe scattered electron [1] **inclusive** measurement :  $< 2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Observe [1] + current jet [2] **semi-inclusive** measurement  $4\text{-}5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Observe [1] + [2] + remnant jet [3] **exclusive** measurement  $> 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Luminosity requirements go up as we go from [1] --> [2] --> [3]
- **Exclusive measurements put demanding requirement on detectors, interaction region and their integration**

# DIS

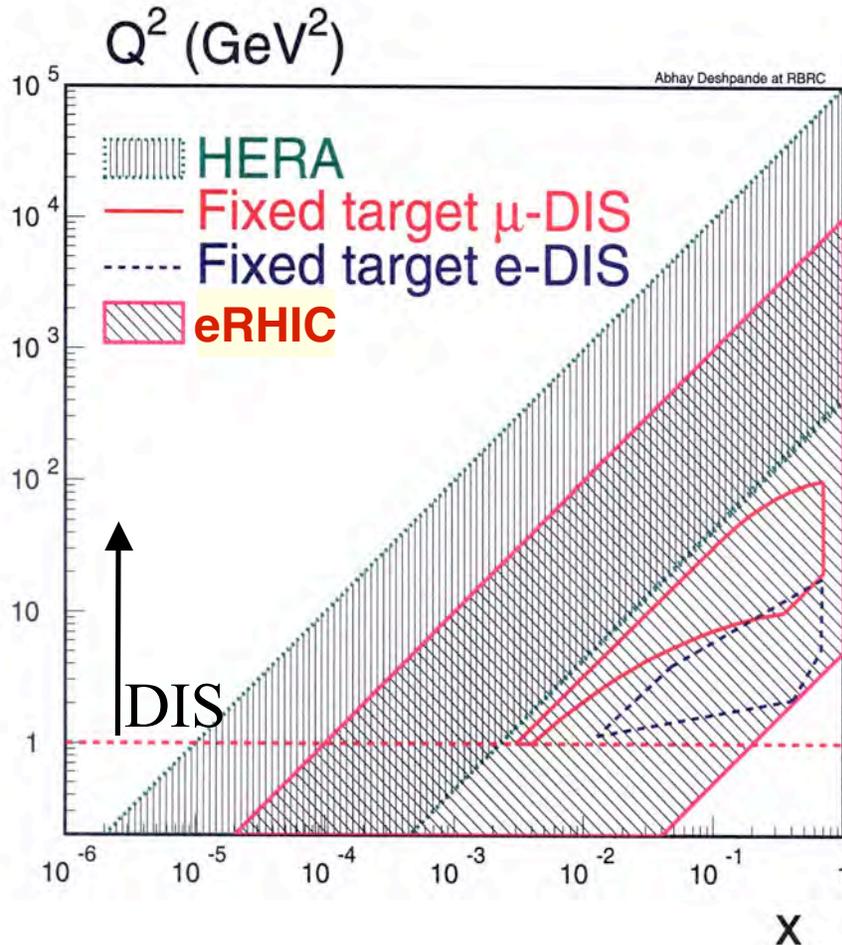


# H-H



- DIS: precise kinematics is known event by event even for inclusive scattering
  - No ‘direct’ photon-gluon interaction
- H-H: no knowledge of event kinematics in inclusive scattering
  - Direct interactions between gluons and quarks IS the prime attractive feature...

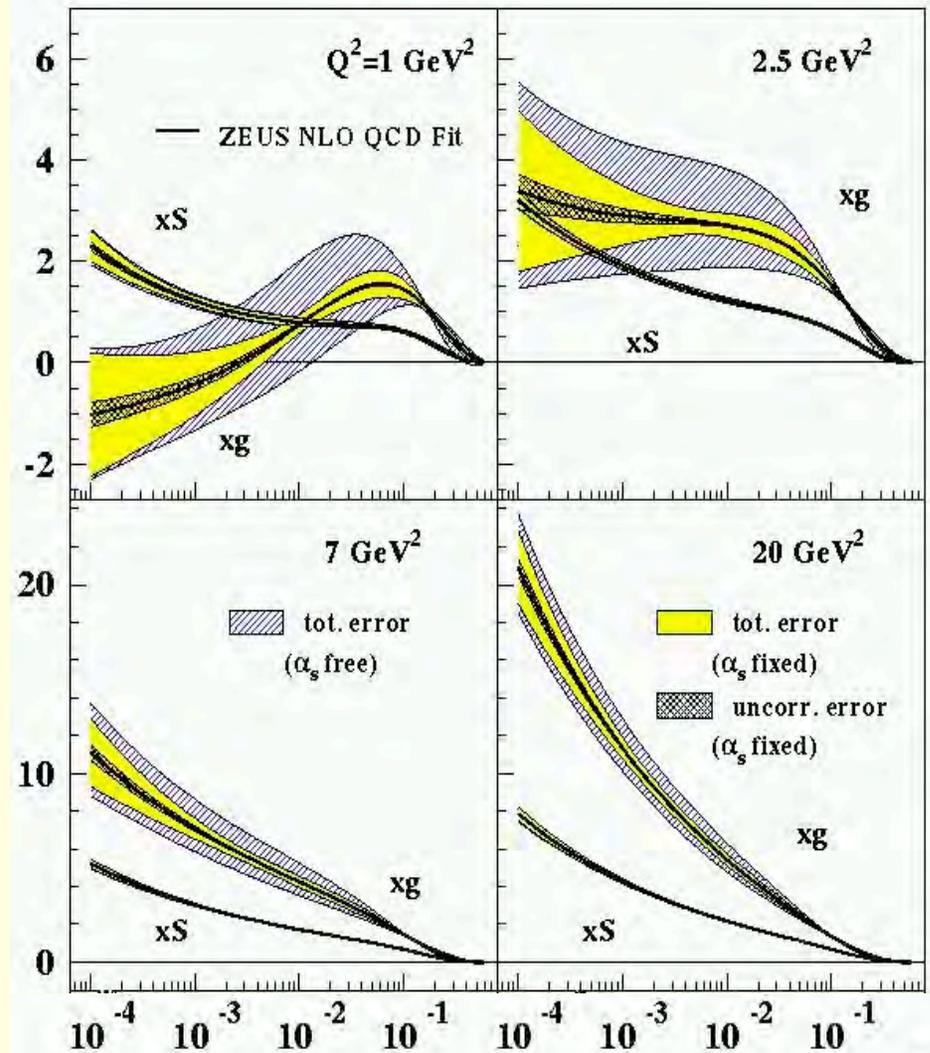
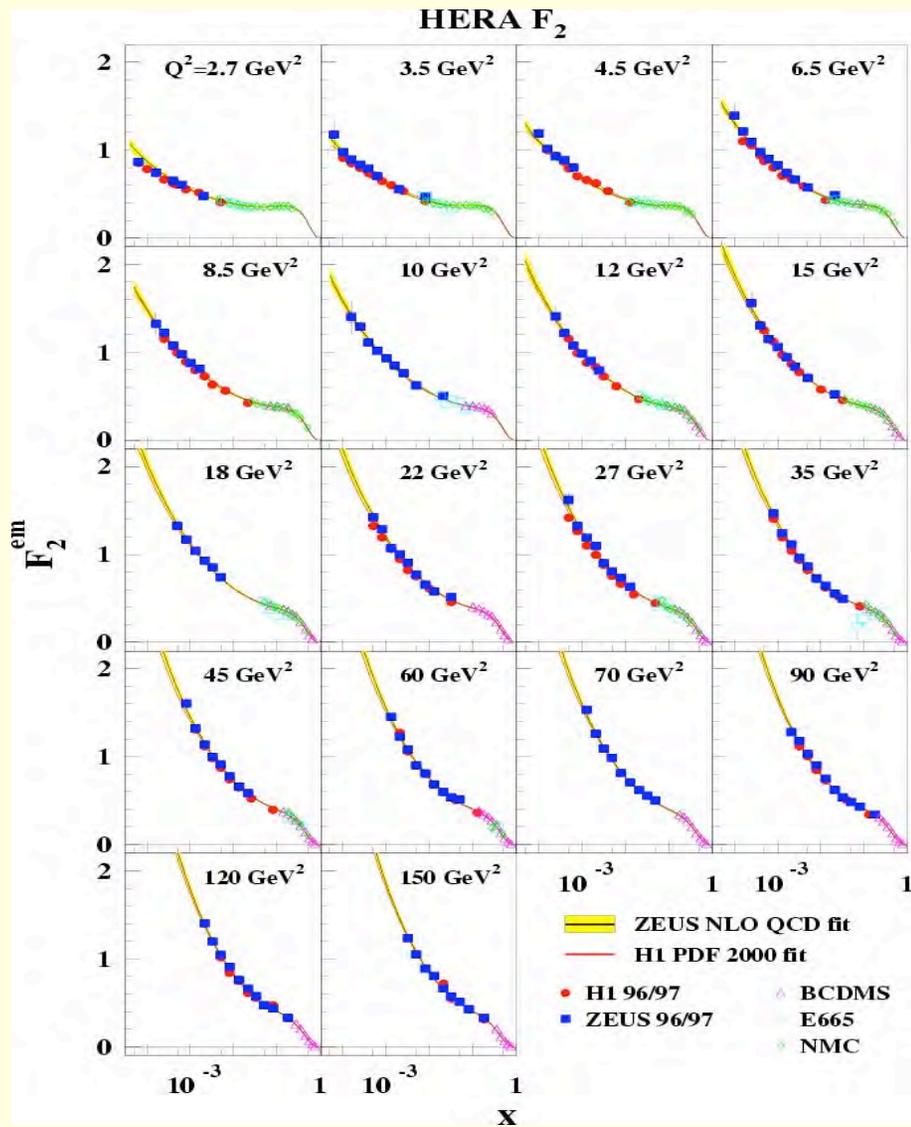
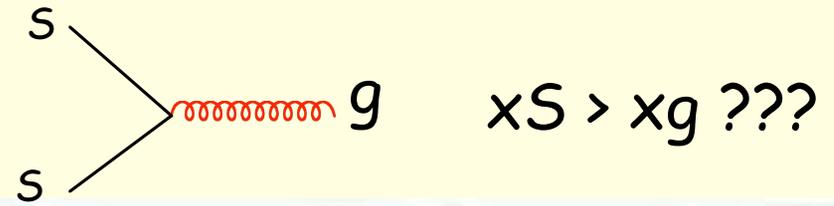
# eRHIC vs. Other DIS Facilities



- **New kinematic region**
- $E_e = 10$  GeV ( $\sim 5$ -20 GeV variable)
- $E_p = 250$  GeV ( $\sim 50$ -250 GeV)
- $E_A = 100$  GeV
- $\sqrt{S_{ep}} = 30$ -100 GeV
- Kinematic reach of eRHIC:
  - $X = 10^{-4} \rightarrow 0.7$  ( $Q^2 > 1$  GeV<sup>2</sup>)
  - $Q^2 = 0 \rightarrow 10^4$  GeV<sup>2</sup>
- Polarization of e,p and light ion beams at least  $\sim 70\%$  or better
- **Heavy ions of ALL species at RHIC**
- Machine Luminosities envisioned
  - $L(ep) \sim 10^{33-34}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup>
- **Luminosity GOAL: 50 fb<sup>-1</sup> in 10 years**
  - possible with  $10^{33}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup>

# Nucleon Structure (including spin)

# A low $Q^2$ puzzle ...



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Is it really OK to use pQCD at such low  $Q^2$ ?

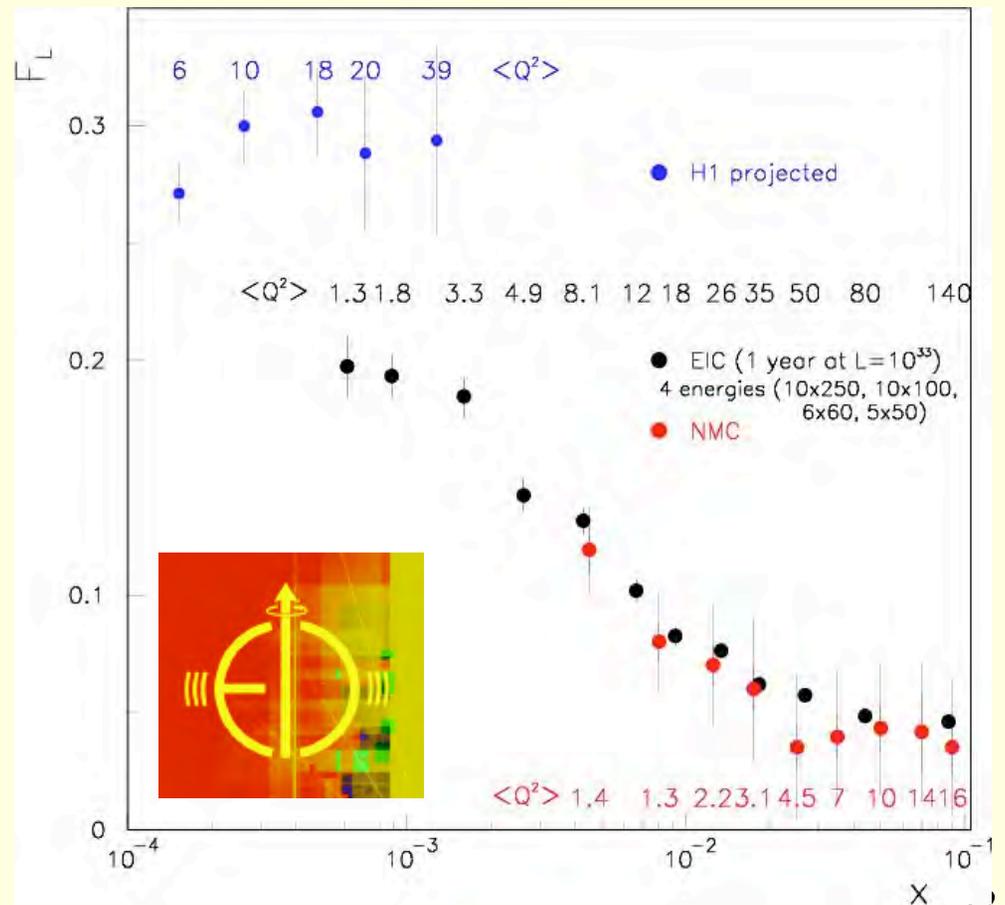
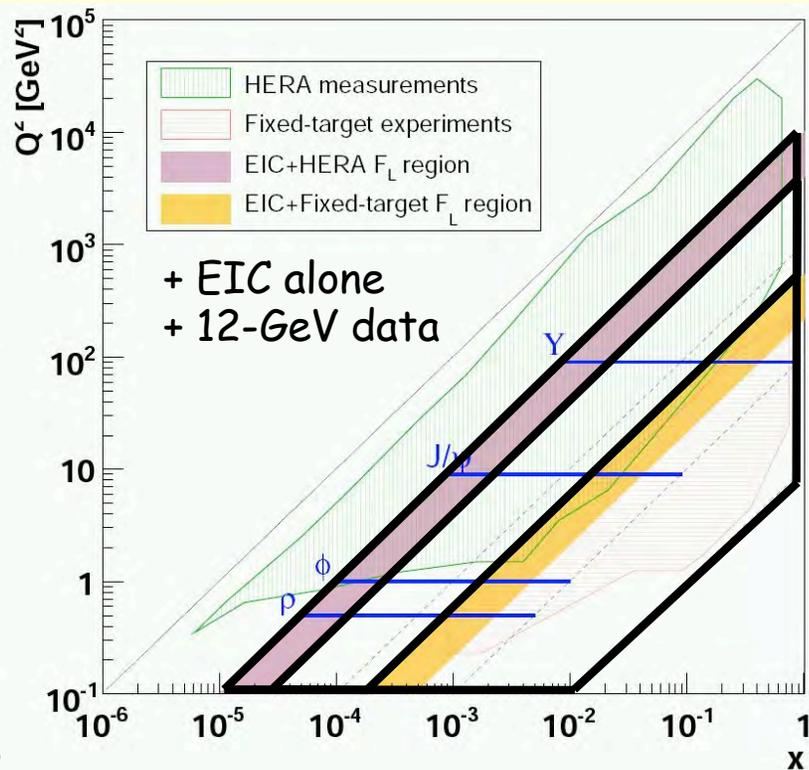
It would be best if we can get to the gluon distribution by some other method. ---> Measurement of  $F_L$

Deep Inelastic Scattering: 
$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{ep \rightarrow eX}}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_{e.m.}^2}{xQ^4} \left[ \left(1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2}\right) F_2(x, Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{2} F_L(x, Q^2) \right]$$

$$F_L \propto \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} x \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \xi(1 - \xi) g\left(\frac{x}{\xi}, Q^2\right) + \dots$$

# Longitudinal Structure Function $F_L$

- Requires energy variability of collider beam with minimal loss of luminosity
- Highly sensitive to effects of gluon, and an independent method to get to gluon distribution



(includes systematic uncertainties)

# Physics with polarized beams at the EIC

- A comprehensive understanding of the nucleon spin structure:

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L_Q + L_G$$


- Fixed target experiments  $\Delta\Sigma$ ...SLAC, CERN, DESY, Jlab
  - $\Delta G$  and L investigations starting... RHIC, Jlab, CERN
  - EIC: a precision device for these measurements
- ...and precision tests and measurements...
    - Bjorken Spin Sum rule
    - Determination of strong interaction coupling  $\alpha_s(Q^2)$

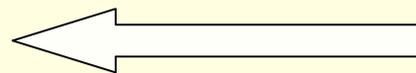
# Polarized DIS at eRHIC

- Spin structure functions  $g_1(p,n)$  at **low  $x$** , high precision [1]
  - $g_1(p,n)$ : Bjorken Spin sum rule 1-2% accuracy
- **Polarized gluon distribution function  $\Delta G(x,Q^2)$ \*** [1,2]
  - at least three different experimental methods
- **Precision measurement of  $\alpha_s(Q^2)$  from  $g_1$  scaling violations** [1]
- Spin structure of **the photon** from photo-production [2]
- Electroweak s. f.  $g_5$  via virtual  **$W^{+-}$  production\* (heavy quarks)** [2]
- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (**DVCS**), exclusive VM production
  - >> Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs) [3]
- **Transverse Spin Phenomena\*** [2,3]
  - Drell-Hearn-Gerasimov spin sum rule test at **high  $v$**  [1]
  - Flavor separation of PDFs through semi-inclusive DIS [2]
  - Target/Current fragmentation studies [2,3]
  - ... and many more .....

**\*Also being pursued at RHIC Spin Now.**

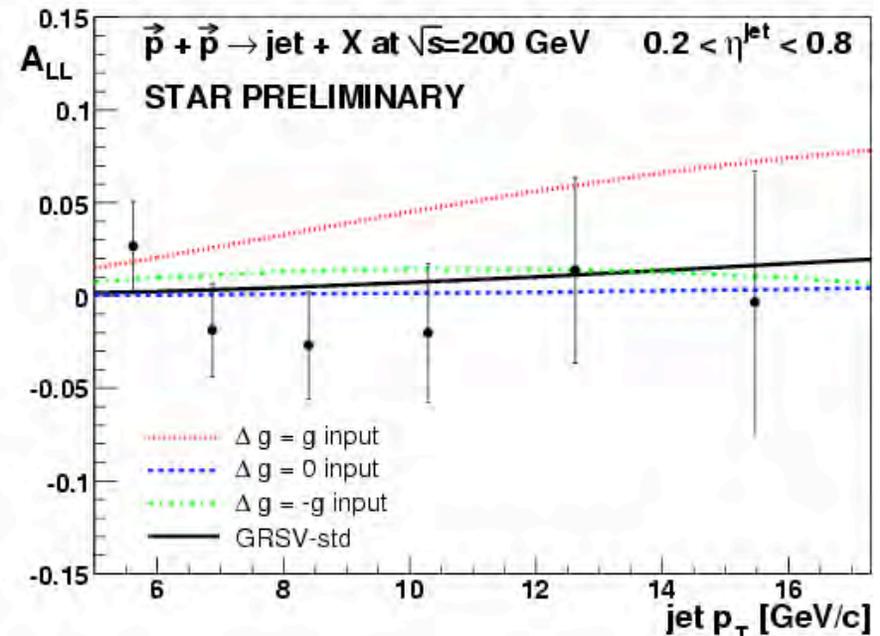
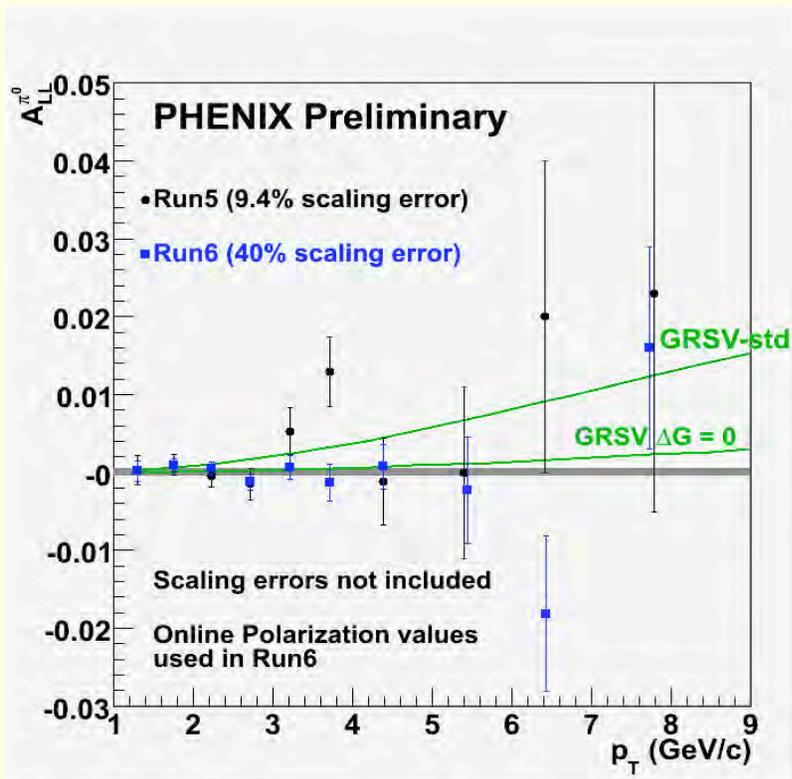
[1] --> inclusive, [2]--> semi-inclusive

[3] --> exclusive measurements



↑  
Luminosity  
Requirement

# New Data from RHIC Spin:

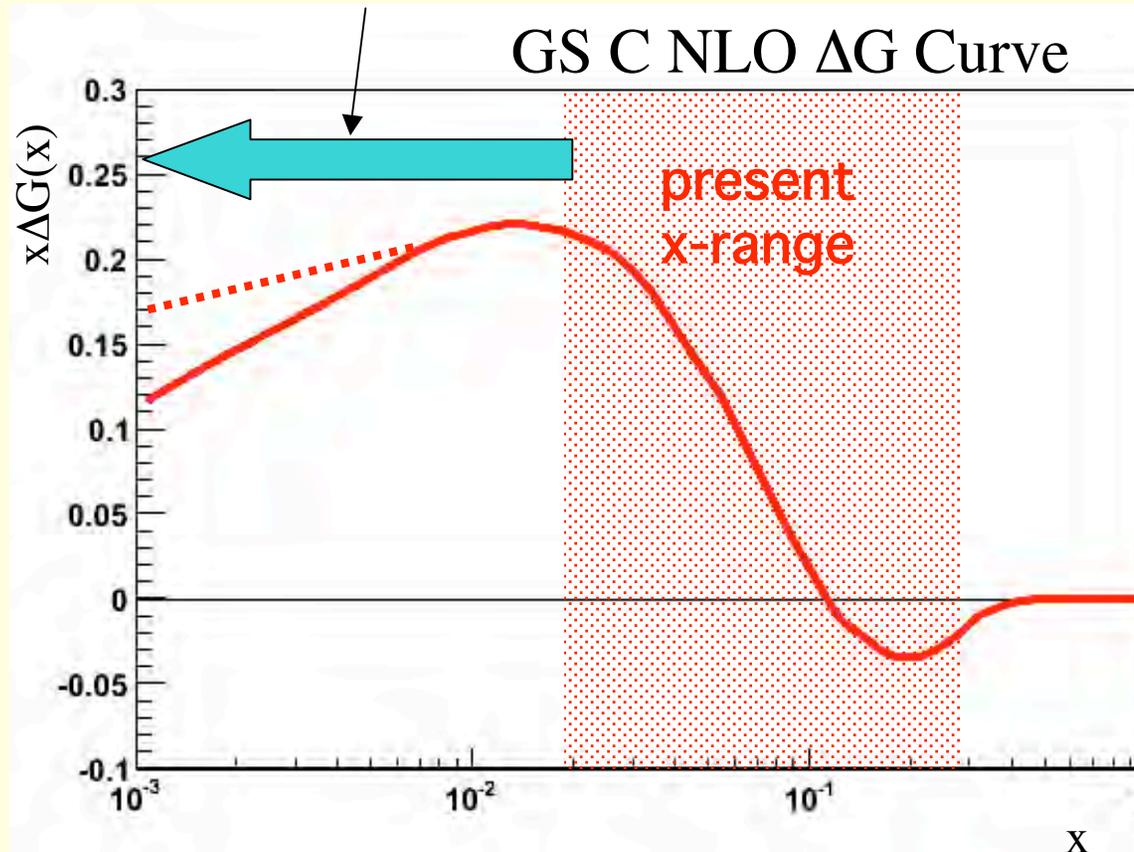


In the approximate x-range (0.02-0.3) covered by experiments,  $\Delta G$  seems to be small

**Focused direct and indirect  $\Delta G$  measurements at low x with high precision are of even greater importance**

# RHIC x region slide....

Accessible with future detector upgrades and 500 GeV



However, a wider kinematical measurement still a better option...

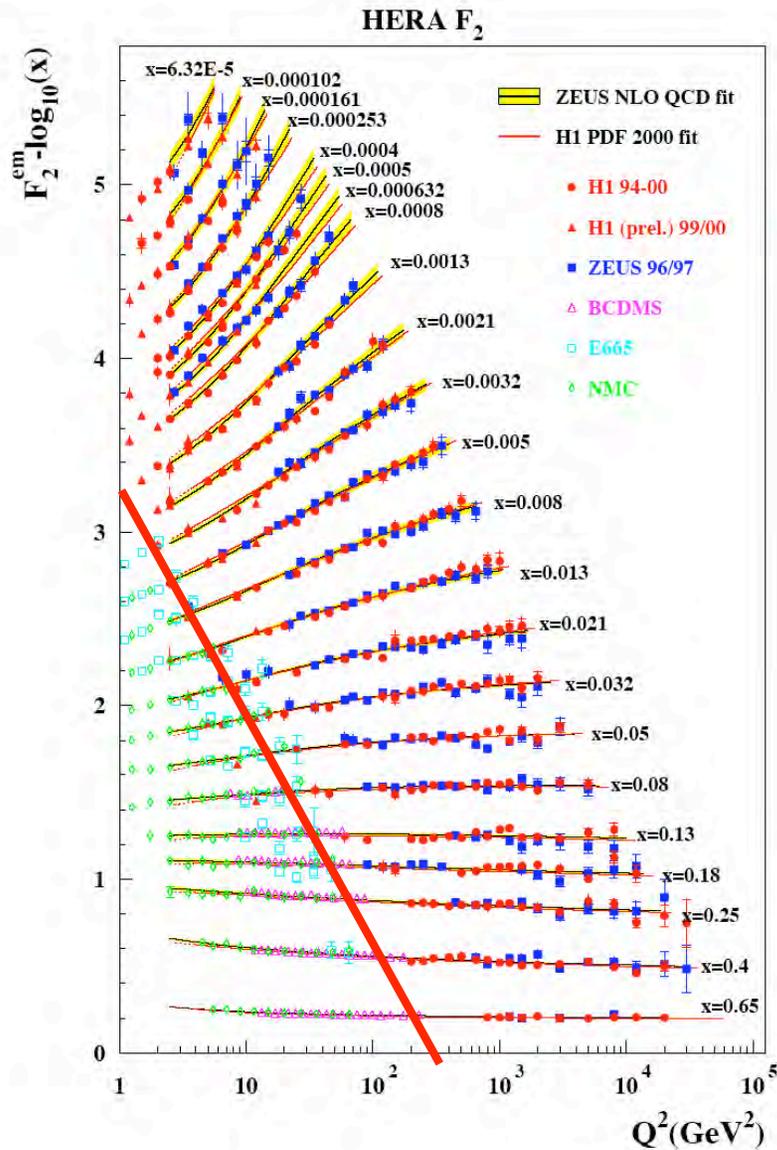
# Inclusive Measurements

$< 2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

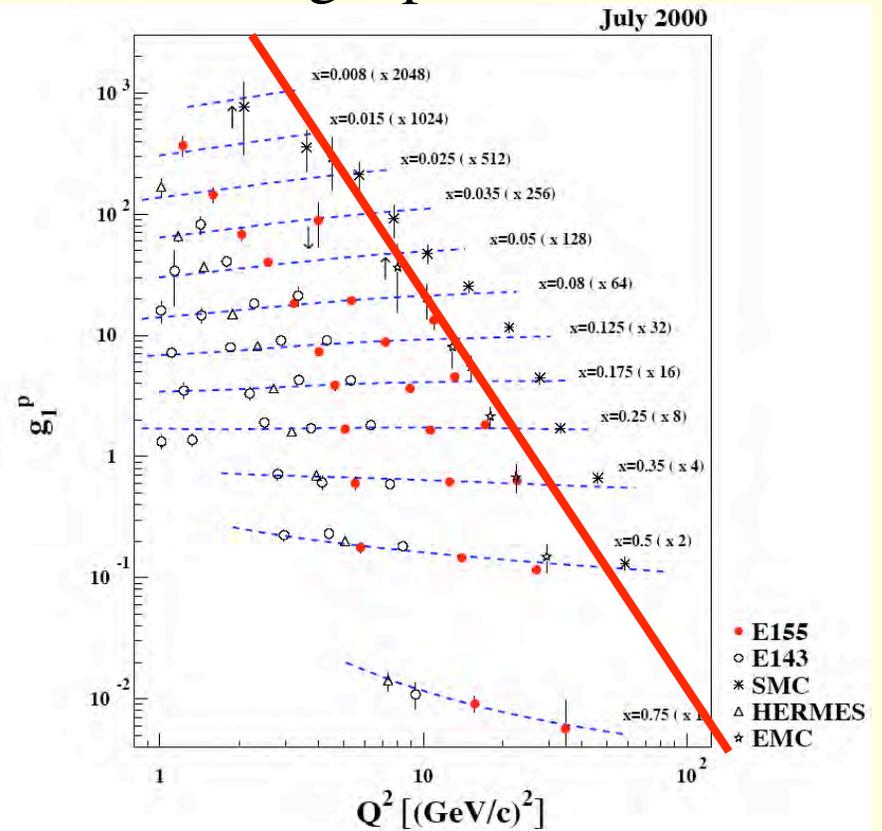
EM Calorimetry  
Tracking

# Our Knowledge of Structure Functions

## HERA un-polarized DIS

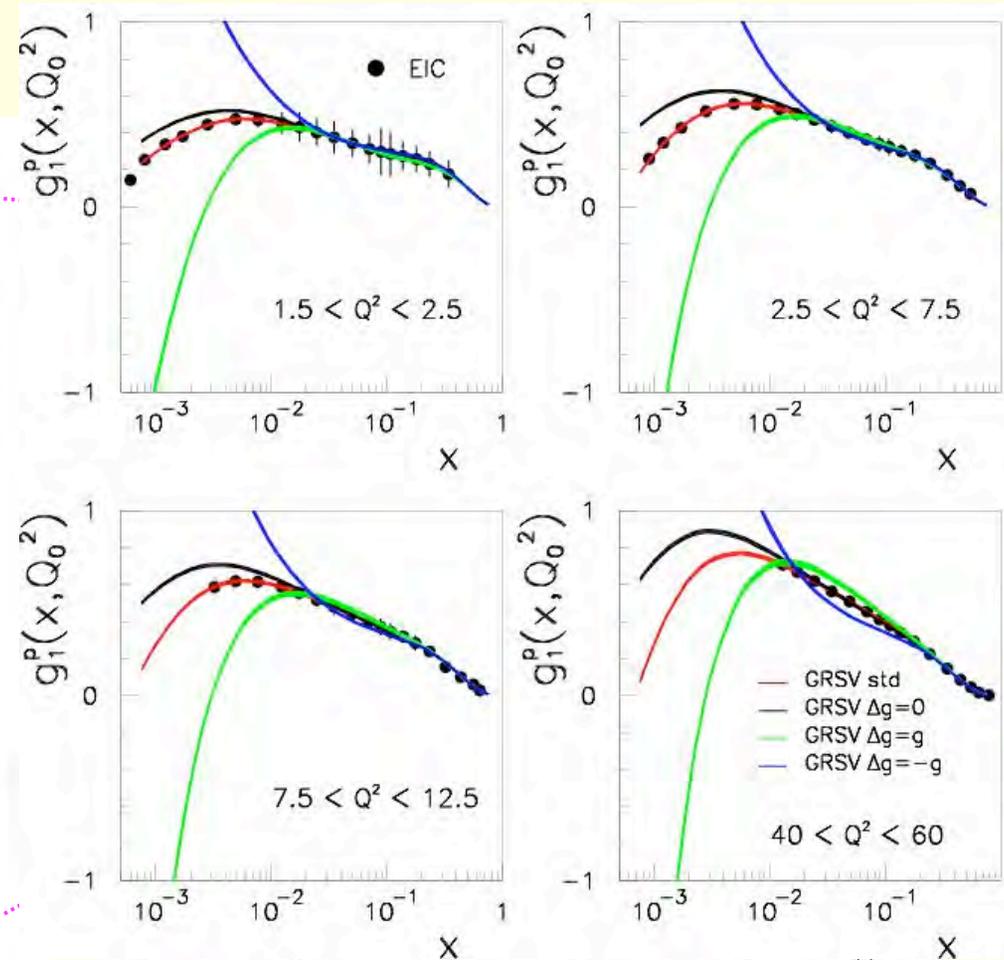
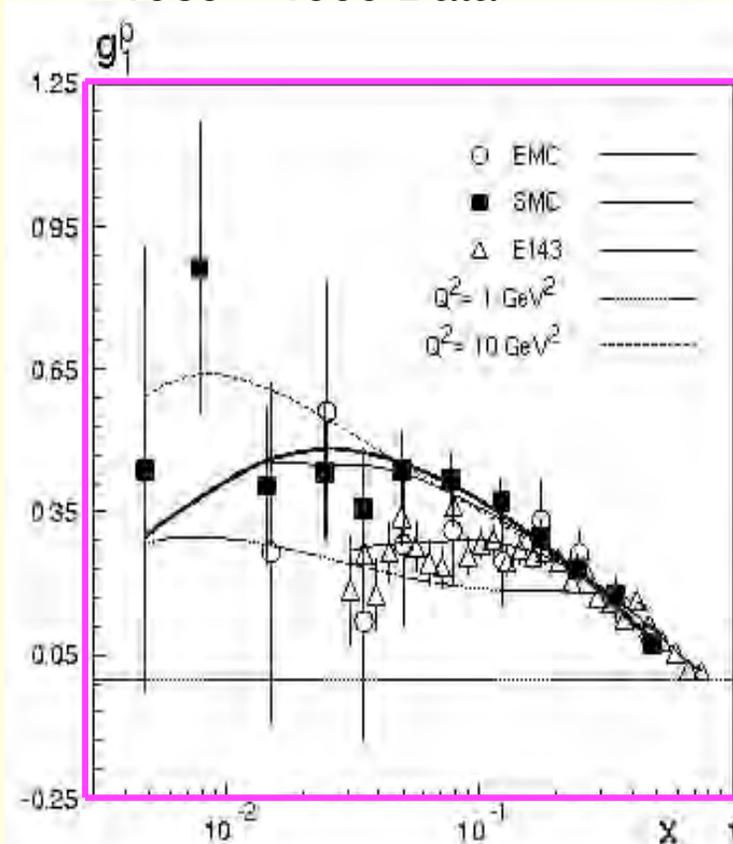


## Fixed target polarized DIS



# Spin Structure at Low $x$ & $\Delta G$

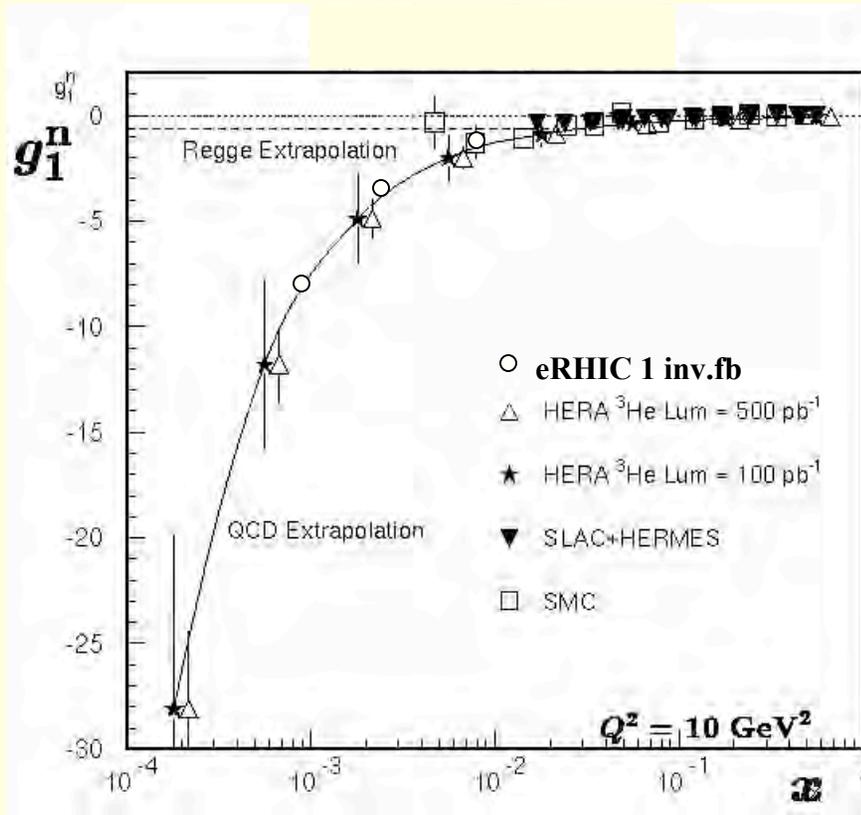
Fixed target experiments  
1989 – 1999 Data



Studies included statistical error & detector smearing to confirm that asymmetries are measurable. No present or future approved experiment will be able to make this measurement

Beautiful program to complement and extend the RHIC Spin Program 19

# Spin Structure of Neutron at Low $x$



- With polarized He
- ~ 2 weeks of data at EIC
- Compared with SMC & other projections
- **If combined with  $g_1$  of proton results in Bjorken sum rule test of better than 1-2% within a couple of months of running**

$$\Gamma_1^p - \Gamma_1^n = \frac{1}{6} \left| \frac{g_A}{g_V} \right| C_1^{NS}(Q^2)$$

Helium beams can be stored & manipulated in RHIC with **existing magnets**  
**Intense He beams & polarimetry need to be developed.**  
**Both efforts need to start now!**

# Bj Sum Rule & Determination of $\alpha_s$

$\alpha_s(M_Z)$  has been determined from Bj spin sum rule by many groups:

1. J. Ellis & M. Karliner, Phys. Lett. B341, 387 (1995)
2. G. Altarelli et al., Nucl. Phys. B496, 337 (1997)
3. B. Adeva et al. SMC Collaboration, Phys. Rev. D58 (1998) 112002
4. ....

**Largest Uncertainties from low-x extrapolations!**

$$\Gamma_1^P - \Gamma_1^n = \frac{1}{6} \left| \frac{g_A}{g_V} \right| C_1^{NS}(Q^2)$$

**Particle Data Book (2002, 2004,2006), Extended version:**

“Theoretically, this sum rule is better for determining  $\alpha_s$  because perturbative QCD result is known to higher order ( $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$ ), and these terms are important at low  $Q^2$ ..... **Should data at lower x become available**, so that the low x extrapolation is more tightly constrained, the ***Bj sum rule method could give the best determination of  $\alpha_s$*** ”

# Semi Inclusive Measurements

2-10 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Good particle ID

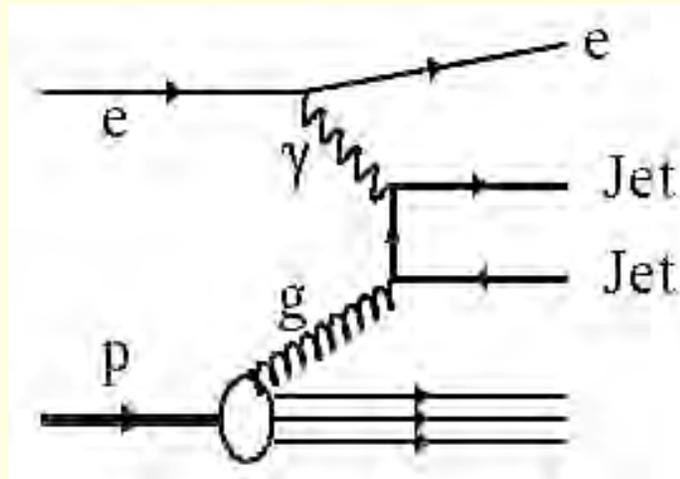
EM and HCAL

Tracking

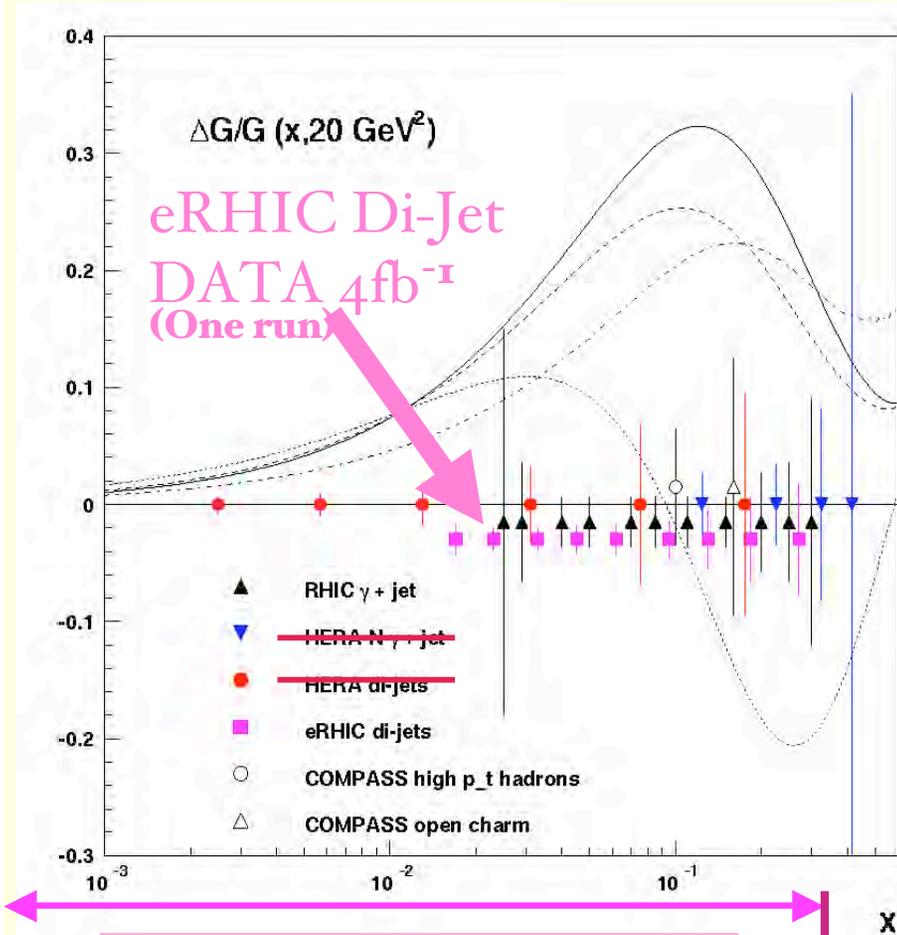
High Rate Environment

# Other ways to get to the Polarized Gluon Distribution

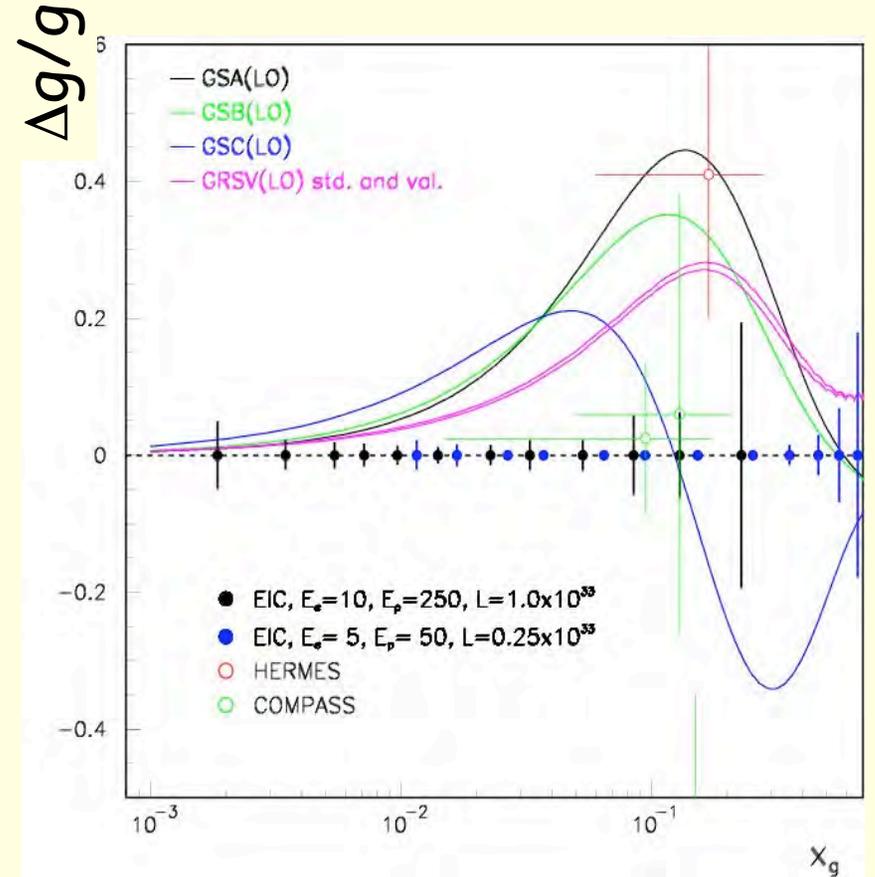
- While we expect scaling violations to be the best extractor of polarized gluon distribution over a wide range, it is important confirm / cross check with other methods...
- Semi-Inclusive Probes of polarized gluon distribution
  - All based on photon-gluon fusion reaction
  - Di-Jet, Di-hadron production, heavy quark ( $D^0$  production)



# $\Delta G$ from Di-Jets and Charm



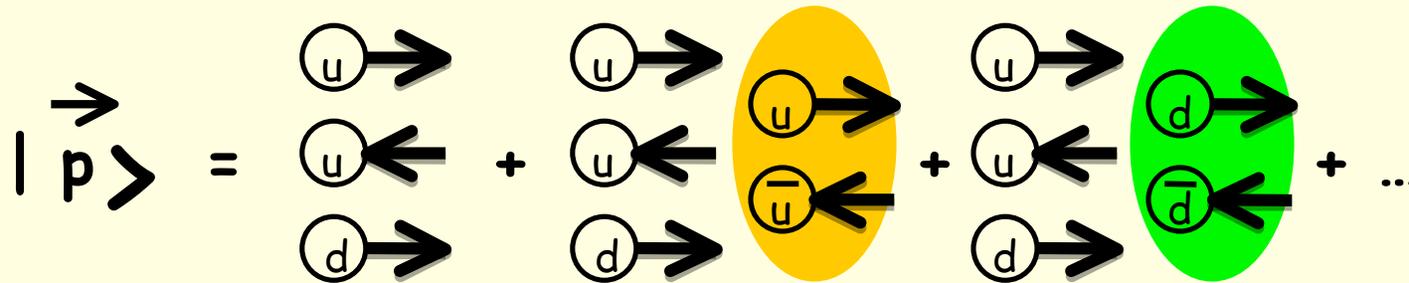
$\Delta G$  from scaling violations  
 $> x_{\min} \sim 10^{-4}$  at eRHIC



Projected data on  $\Delta g/g$  with an  
 EIC, via  $\gamma + p \rightarrow D^0 + X$   
 $\searrow K^- + \pi^+$

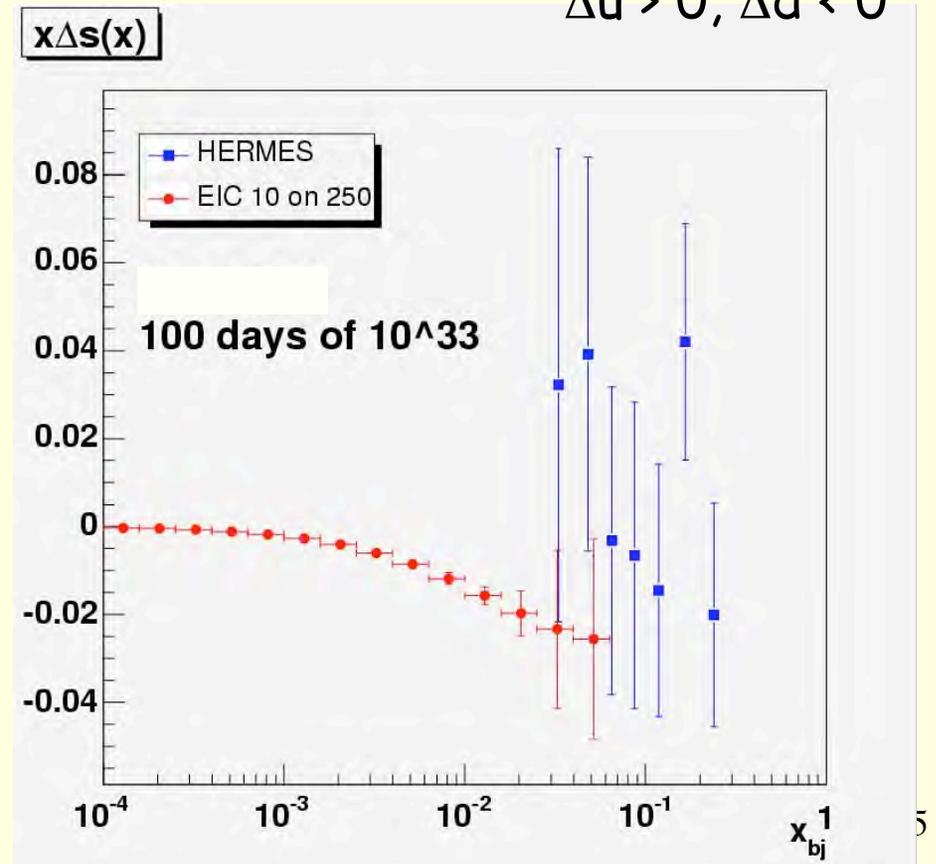
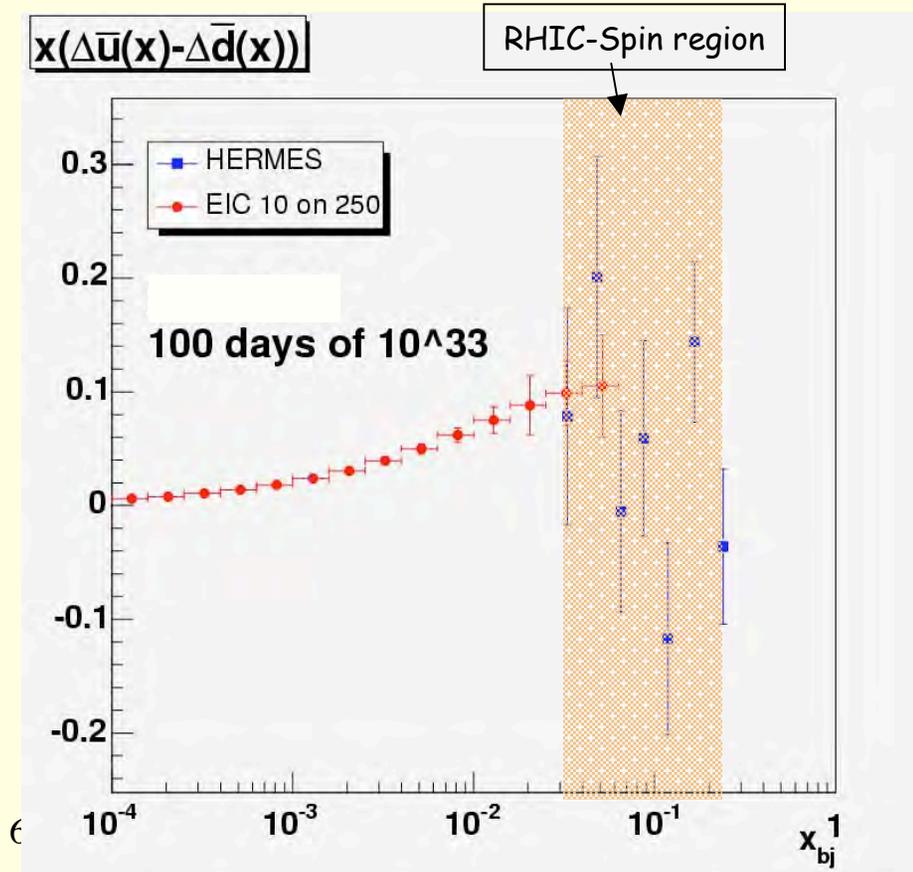
# Precisely image the sea quarks

Spin-Flavor Decomposition of the Light Quark Sea



Many models  
\_predict\_

$\Delta u > 0, \Delta d < 0$



# Exclusive DIS...

➤  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

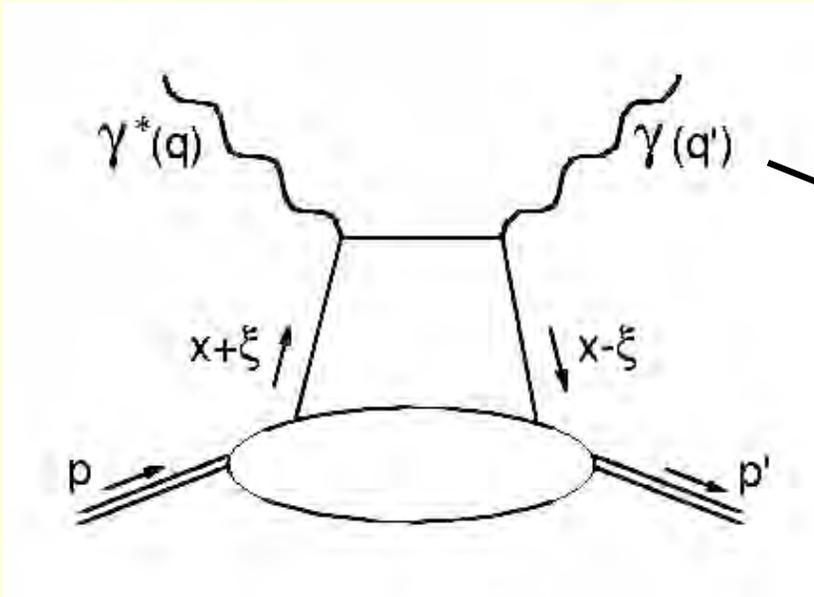
Excellent  $4\pi$  detector

Particle ID

Calorimetry

High Rate Environment

# DVCS/Vector Meson Production: GPDs



- Hard Exclusive DIS process
- $\gamma$  (default) but also **vector mesons** possible
- Remove a parton & put another back in!

- Claim: Possible access to skewed or off forward PDFs--> Generalized parton distributions?

$$\int x dx [H(x, t, \xi) + E(x, t, \xi)] = 2J_{quark} = \Sigma + 2L_q$$

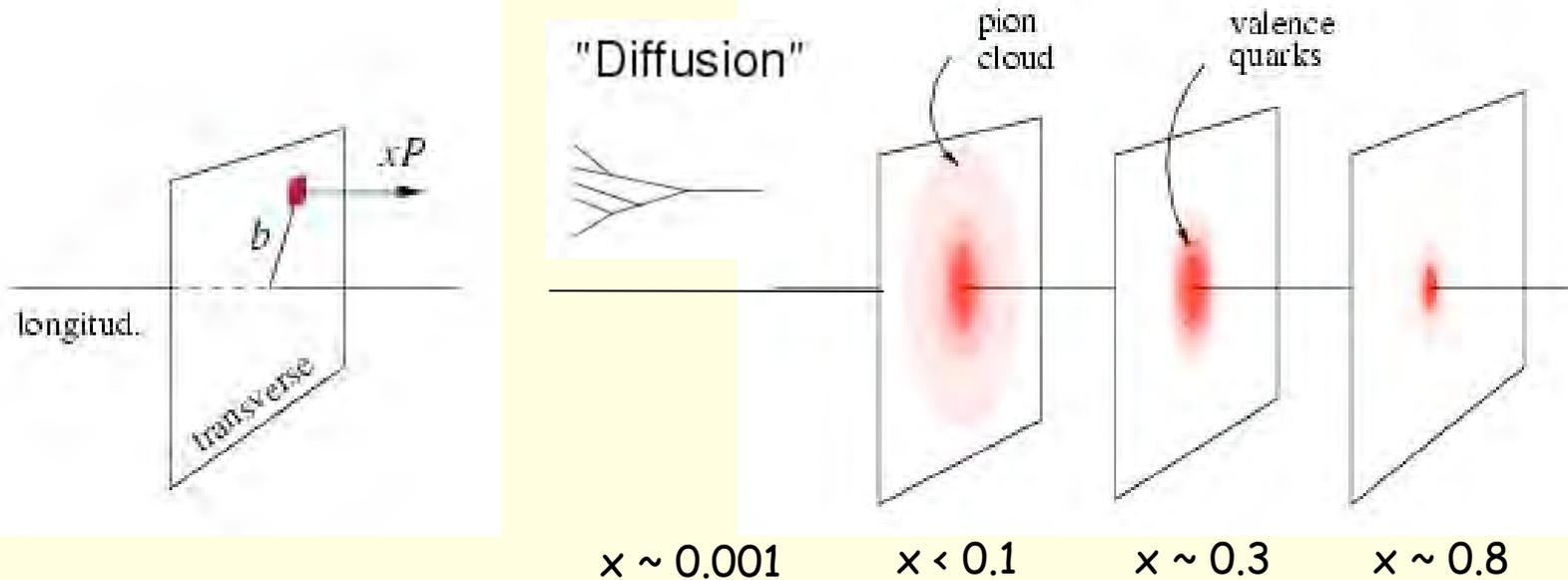
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0 -->  $-Q^2$

Experimental effort just beginning... To fully explore this physics beam Charge asymmetries need to be measured...

# GPDs and Transverse Gluon Imaging

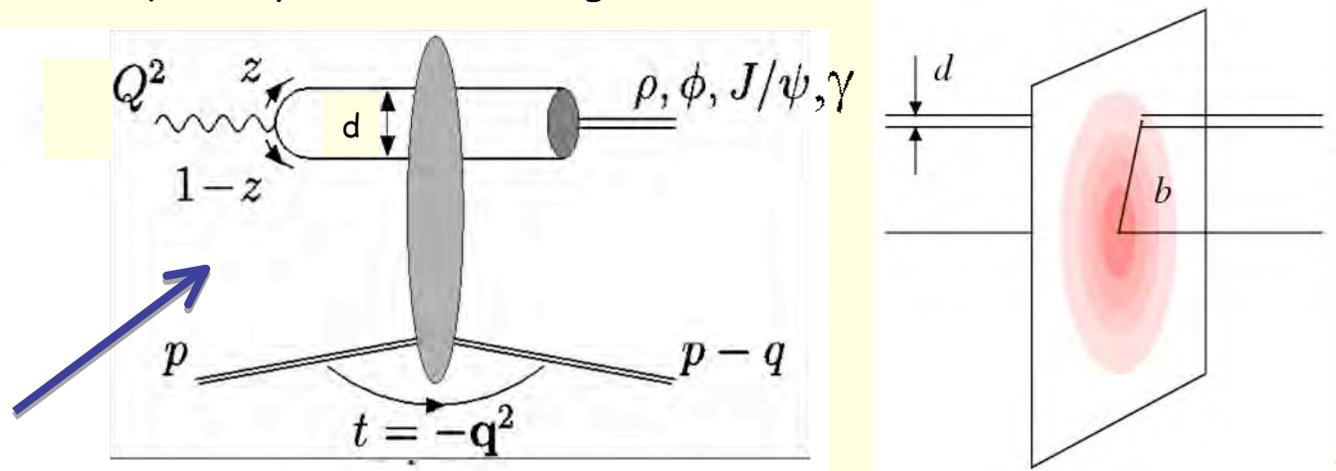
Fourier transform in momentum transfer



gives transverse size of quark (parton) with longitud. momentum fraction  $x$

EIC:

- 1)  $x < 0.1$ : gluons!
- 2)  $\xi \sim 0 \rightarrow$  the "take out" and "put back" gluons act coherently.



# The glue in the nuclei

Physics with e-A collisions

Low luminosity requirements

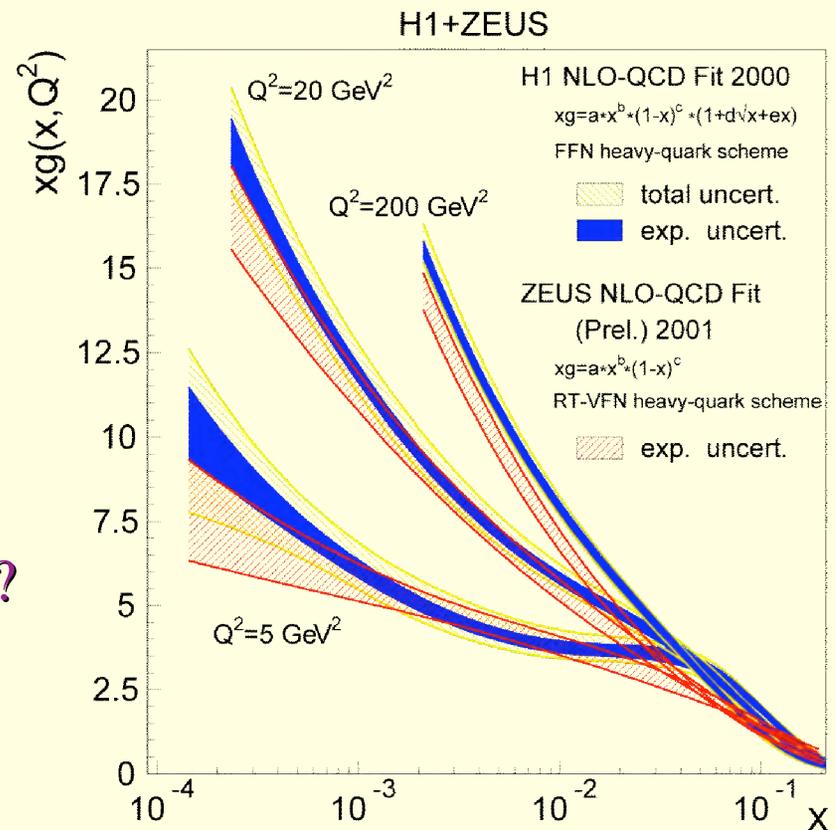
No polarization requirements... so far.

# The High Energy Cross Section Problem...

Linear Evolution has a built in high energy “catastrophe”

$xG$  rapid rise for decreasing  $x$  and violation of (Froissart) unitary bound  $\Rightarrow$  **must saturate**

– What’s the underlying dynamics?

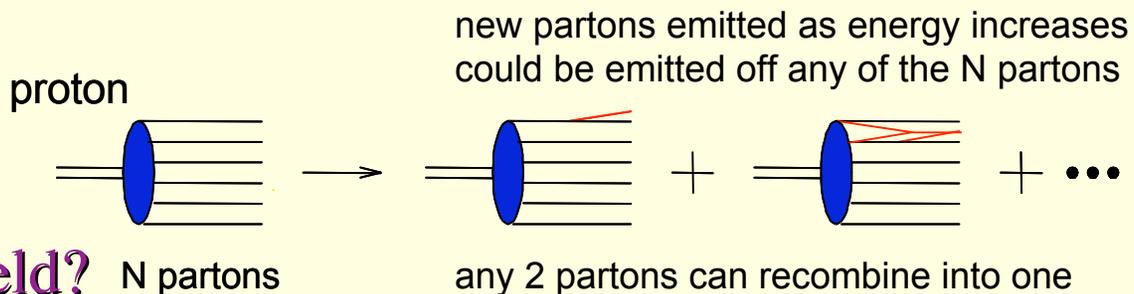


# Non-Linear QCD - Saturation

- **BFKL Evolution in  $x$**

- linear

- explosion of color field?



- **New: BK/JIMWLK based models**

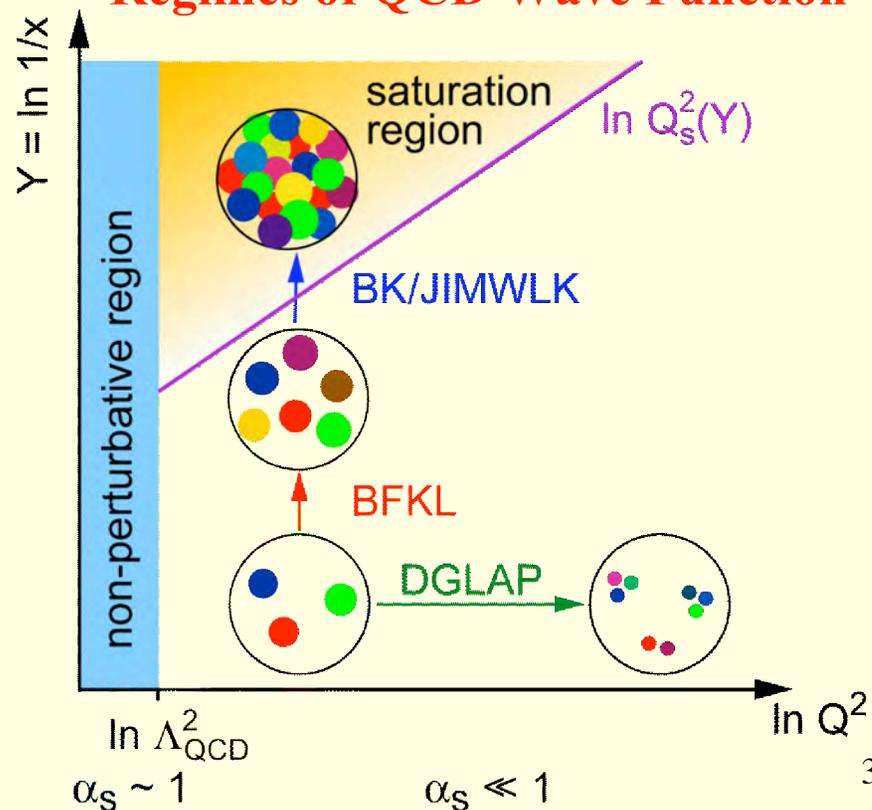
- introduce *non-linear effects*
- ⇒ saturation

- characterized by a scale

$$Q_s(x, A)$$

- arises naturally in the **Color Glass Condensate (CGC) framework**

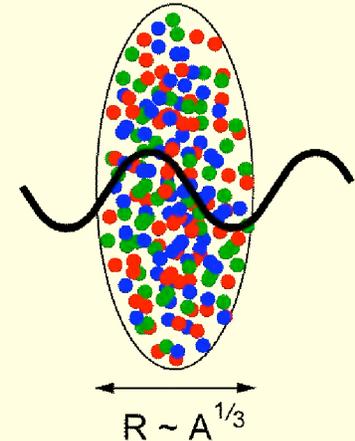
## Regimes of QCD Wave Function



# $e+A$ : Studying Non-Linear Effects

## Scattering of electrons off nuclei:

- Probes interact over distances  $L \sim (2m_N x)^{-1}$
- For  $L > 2 R_A \sim A^{1/3}$  probe cannot distinguish between nucleons in front or back of nucleon
- Probe interacts *coherently* with all nucleons



$$Q_s^2 \sim \frac{\alpha_s xG(x, Q_s^2)}{\pi R_A^2}$$

$$\text{HERA: } xG \sim \frac{1}{x^{0.3}}$$

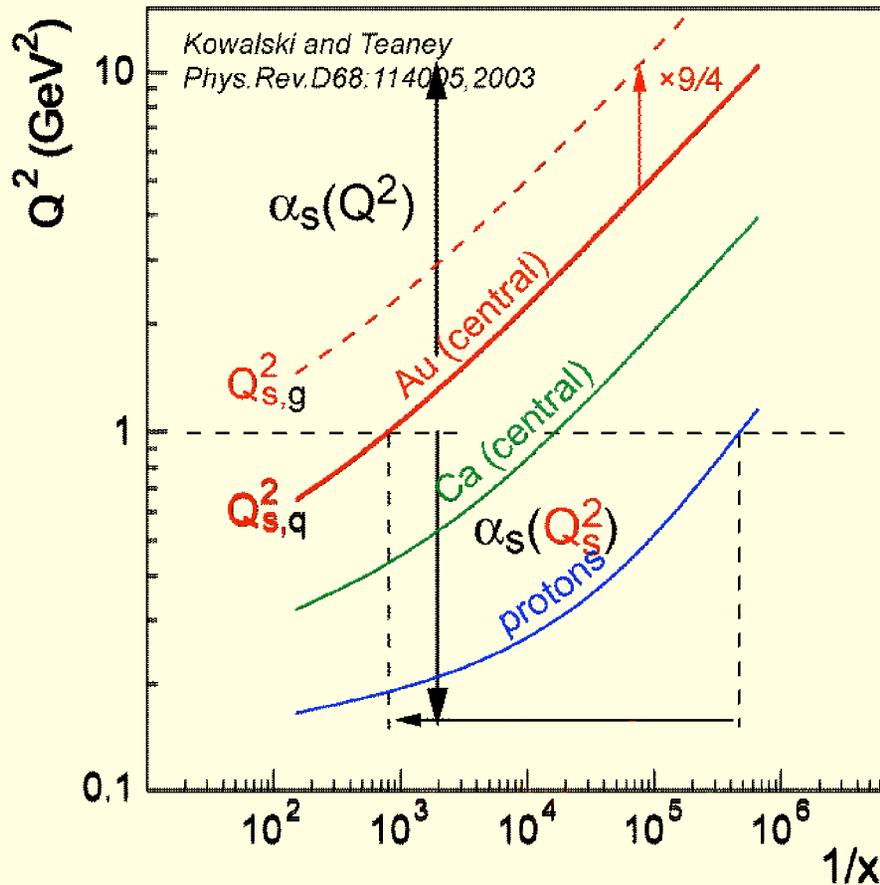
$$\text{A dependence: } xG_A \sim A$$

Nuclear “Enhancement” Factor  
Pocket Formula:

$$(Q_s^A)^2 \approx c Q_0^2 \left( \frac{A}{x} \right)^{1/3}$$

Enhancement of  $Q_s$  with  $A \Rightarrow$  non-linear QCD regime reached at significantly lower energy in  $A$  than in proton

# Nuclear “Enhancement” Factor



Note :

$$Q^2 > Q_s^2 \Rightarrow \alpha_s = \alpha_s(Q^2)$$

$$Q^2 < Q_s^2 \Rightarrow \alpha_s = \alpha_s(Q_s^2)$$

More sophisticated analyses  $\Rightarrow$  more detailed picture even exceeding the *Enhancement* from the pocket formula

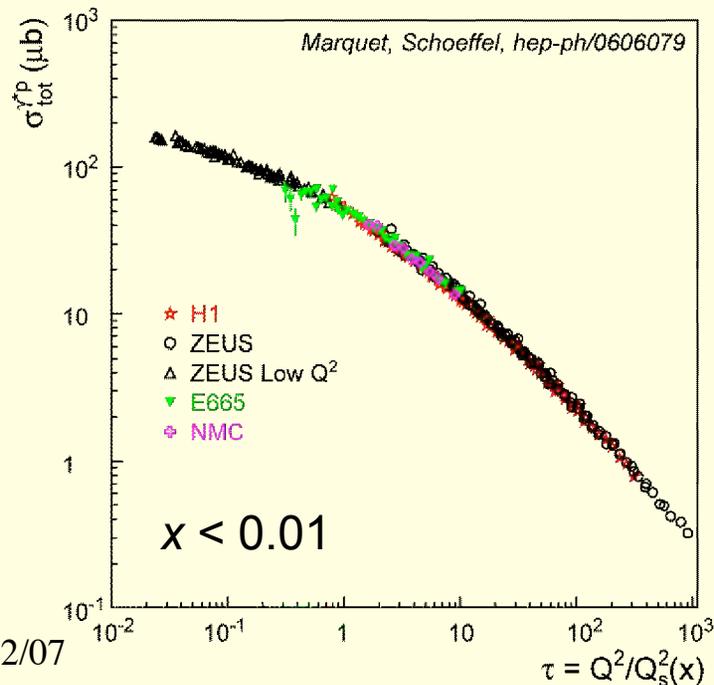
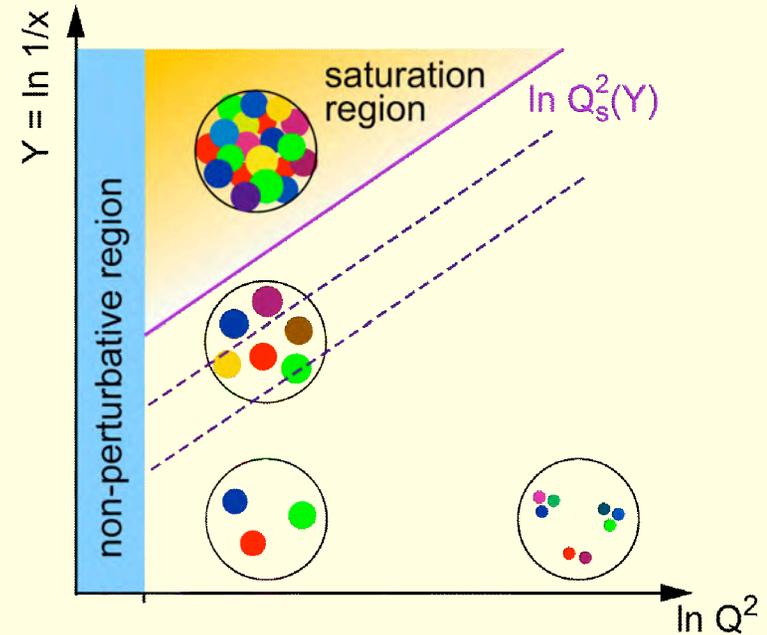
(e.g. Armesto et al., PRL 94:022002, Kowalski, Teaney, PRD 68:114005)



# Universality & Geometric Scaling

## Crucial consequence of non-linear evolution towards saturation:

- Physics *invariant* along trajectories parallel to saturation regime (lines of constant gluon occupancy)
- Scale with  $Q^2/Q_s^2(x)$  instead of  $x$  and  $Q^2$  separately

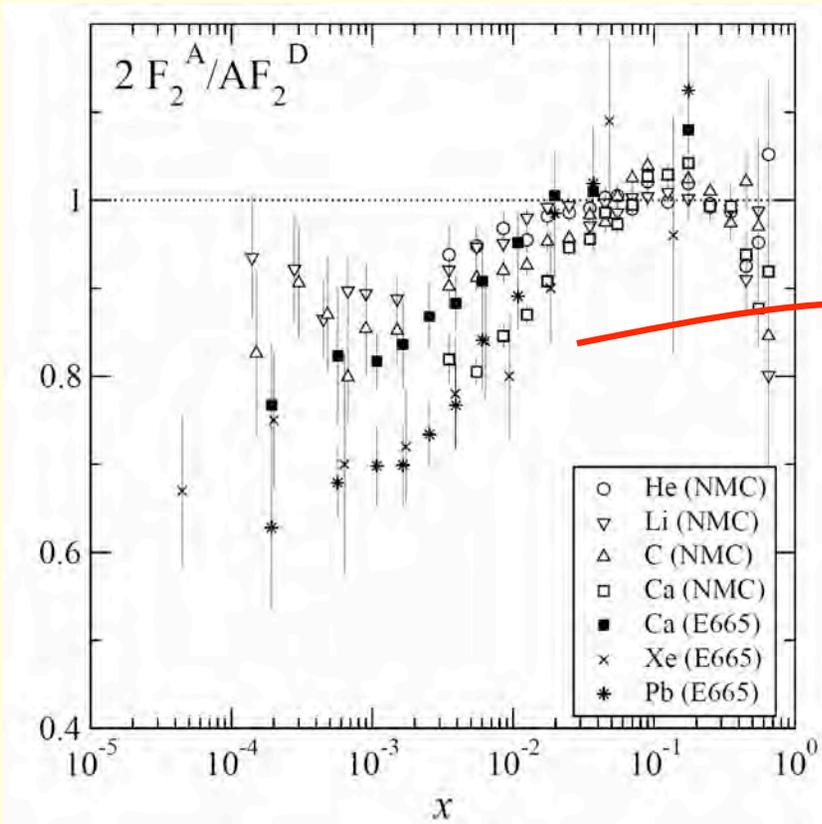


## ⇔ Geometric Scaling

- Consequence of saturation which manifests itself up to  $k_T > Q_s$

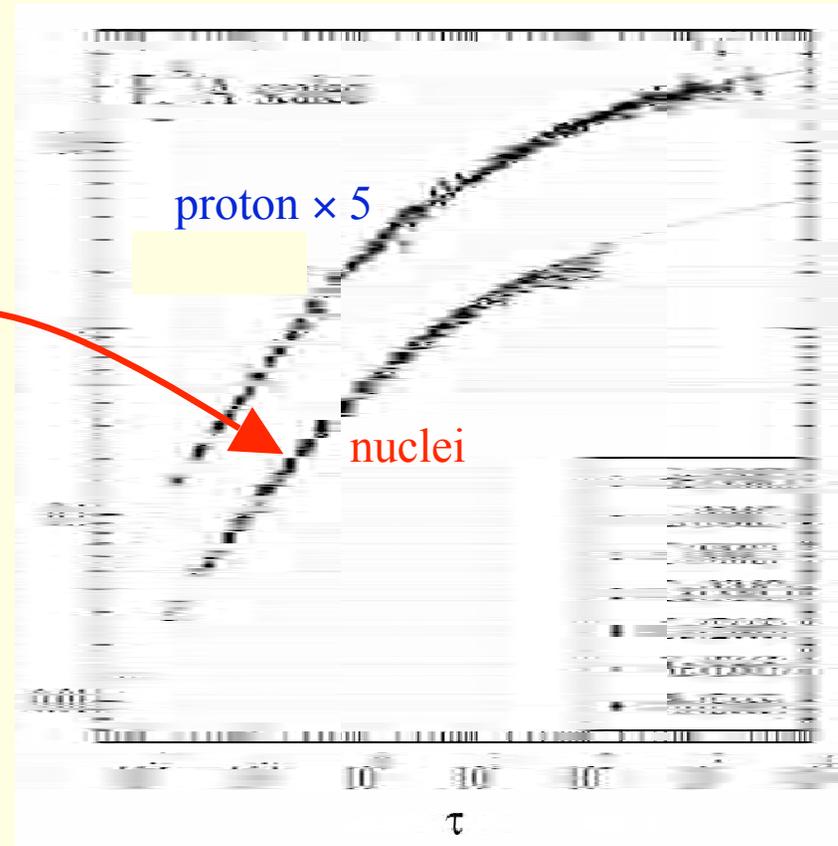
# $Q_s$ a Scale that Binds them All

Nuclear shadowing:



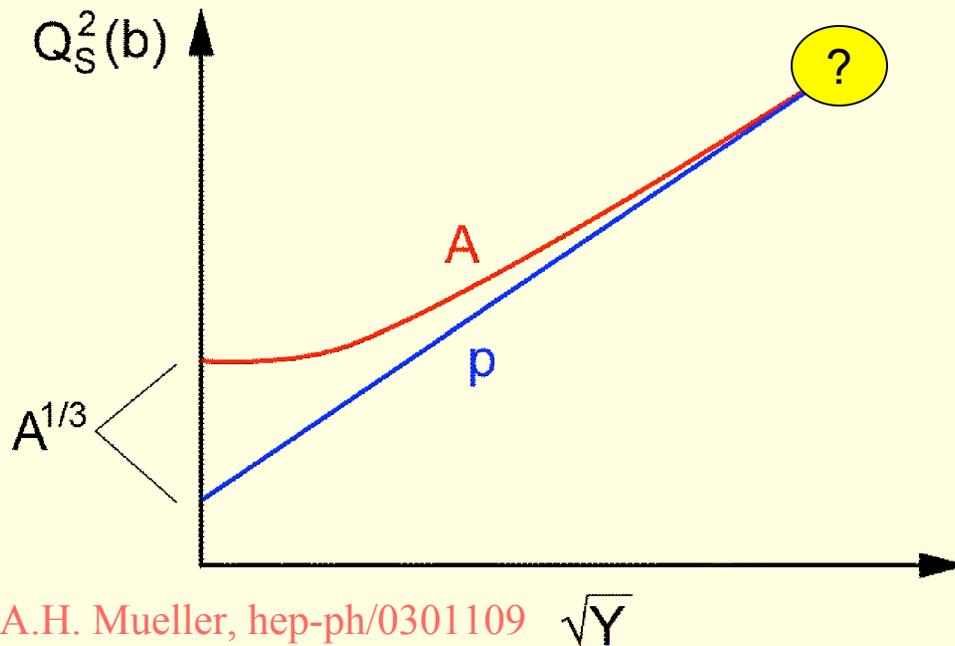
Freund et al., hep-ph/0210139

Geometrical scaling



Are hadron- and nuclei- wave function universal at low- $x$  ?

# A Truly Universal Regime ?



A.H. Mueller, hep-ph/0301109  $\sqrt{Y}$

**Small  $x$  QCD evolution predicts:**

- $Q_s$  approaches universal behavior for *all* hadrons and nuclei
- ⇒ Not only is the functional form  $f(Q_s)$  universal, but even  $Q_s$  becomes the same

- Radical View:
  - Nuclei and all hadrons have a component of their wave function with the *same* behavior
  - This is a conjecture! Needs to be tested

# What is the Momentum Distribution of Gluons?

Gluon distribution  $G(x, Q^2)$

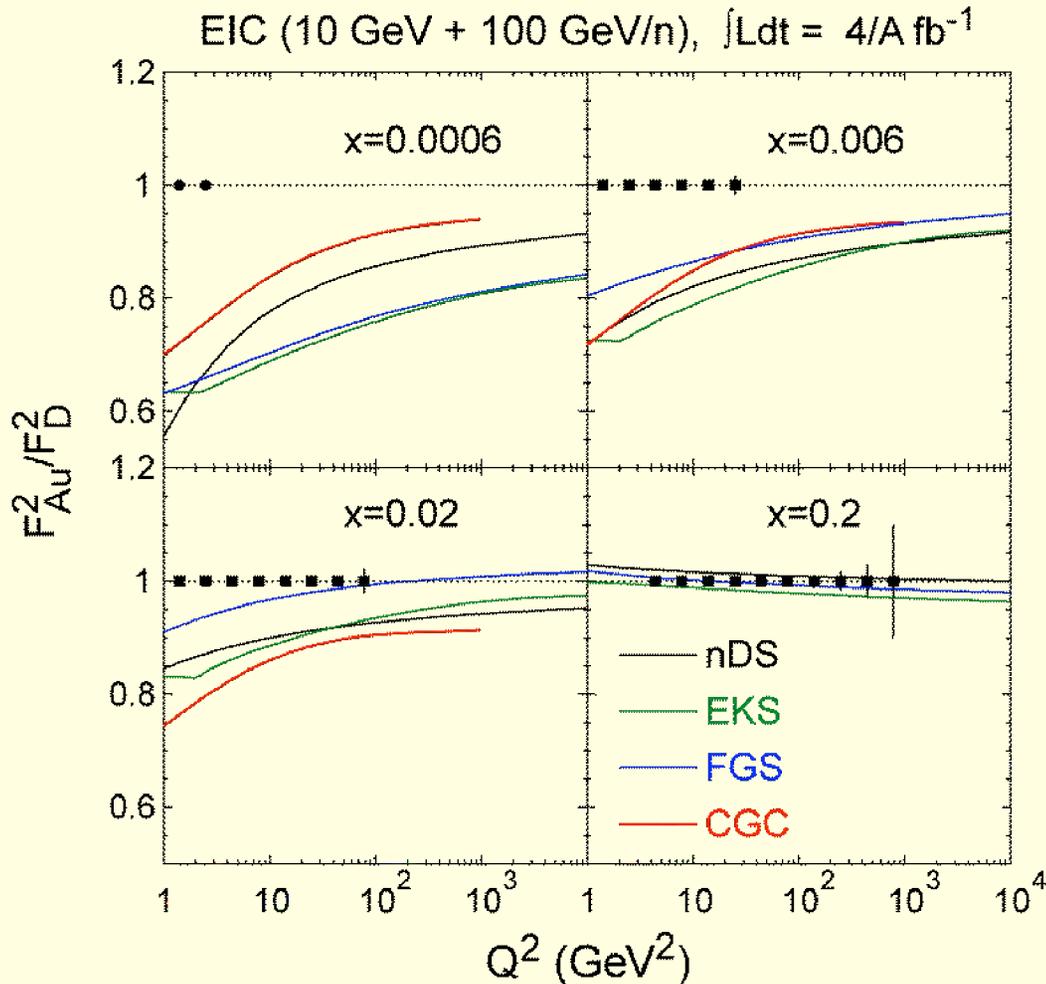
– Shown here:

- Scaling violation in  $F_2$ :  $\delta F_2 / \delta \ln Q^2$
- $F_L \sim \alpha_s G(x, Q^2)$

– Other Methods:

- 2+1 jet rates (needs jet algorithm and modeling of hadronization for inelastic hadron final states)
- inelastic vector meson production (e.g.  $J/\psi$ )
- diffractive vector meson production  $\sim [G(x, Q^2)]^2$

# $F_2$ : Sea (Anti)Quarks Generated by Glue at Low $x$



$F_2$  will be one of the first measurements at EIC

nDS, EKS, FGS:

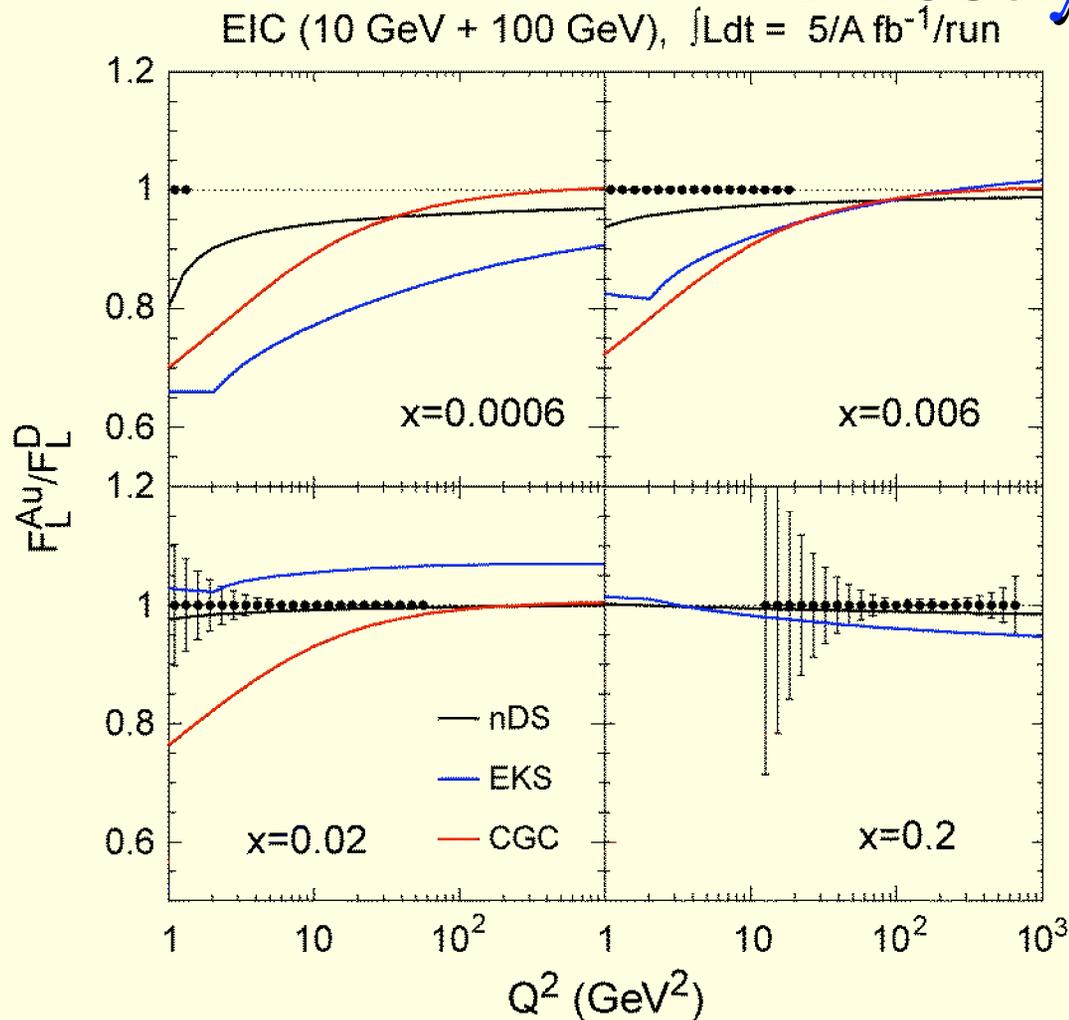
pQCD based models with different amounts of shadowing

Syst. studies of  $F_2(A, x, Q^2)$ :

- $\Rightarrow G(x, Q^2)$  with precision
- $\Rightarrow$  distinguish between models

$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{ep \rightarrow eX}}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} \left[ \left( 1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) F_2(x, Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{2} F_L(x, Q^2) \right]$$

# $F_L$ at EIC: Measuring the Glue Directly



$F_L$  requires  $\sqrt{s}$  scan  
 $Q^2/xs = y$

Here:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int Ldt &= 5/A \text{ fb}^{-1} (10+100) \text{ GeV} \\
 &= 5/A \text{ fb}^{-1} (10+50) \text{ GeV} \\
 &= 2/A \text{ fb}^{-1} (5+50) \text{ GeV}
 \end{aligned}$$

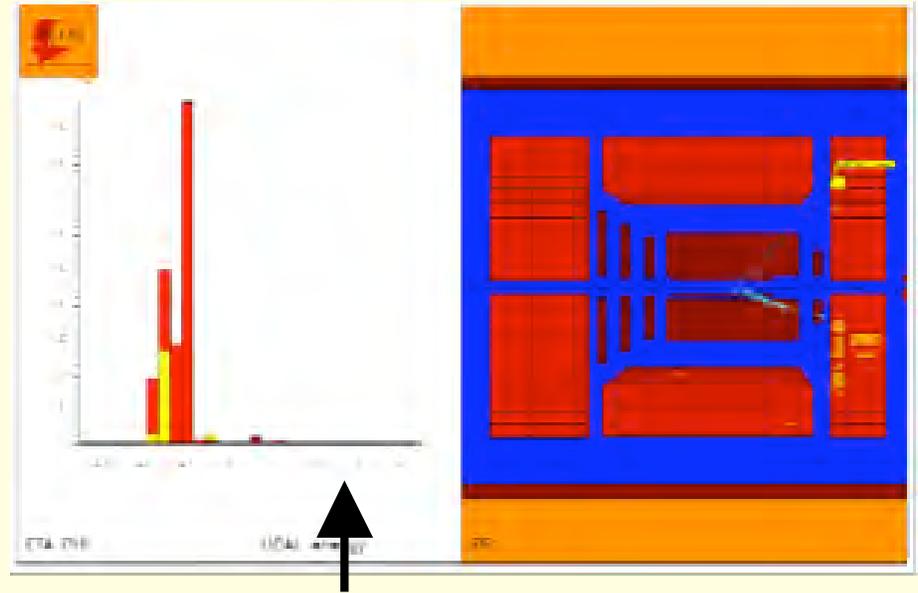
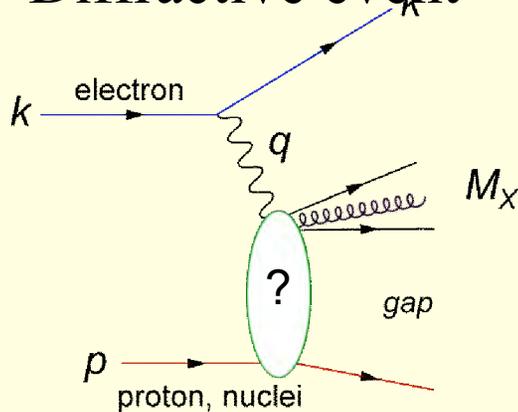
statistical error only

$\Rightarrow G(x, Q^2)$  with great precision

$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{ep \rightarrow eX}}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} \left[ \left( 1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) F_2(x, Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{2} F_L(x, Q^2) \right]$$

# Diffractive Physics in $e+A$

‘Standard DIS event’  
Diffractive event



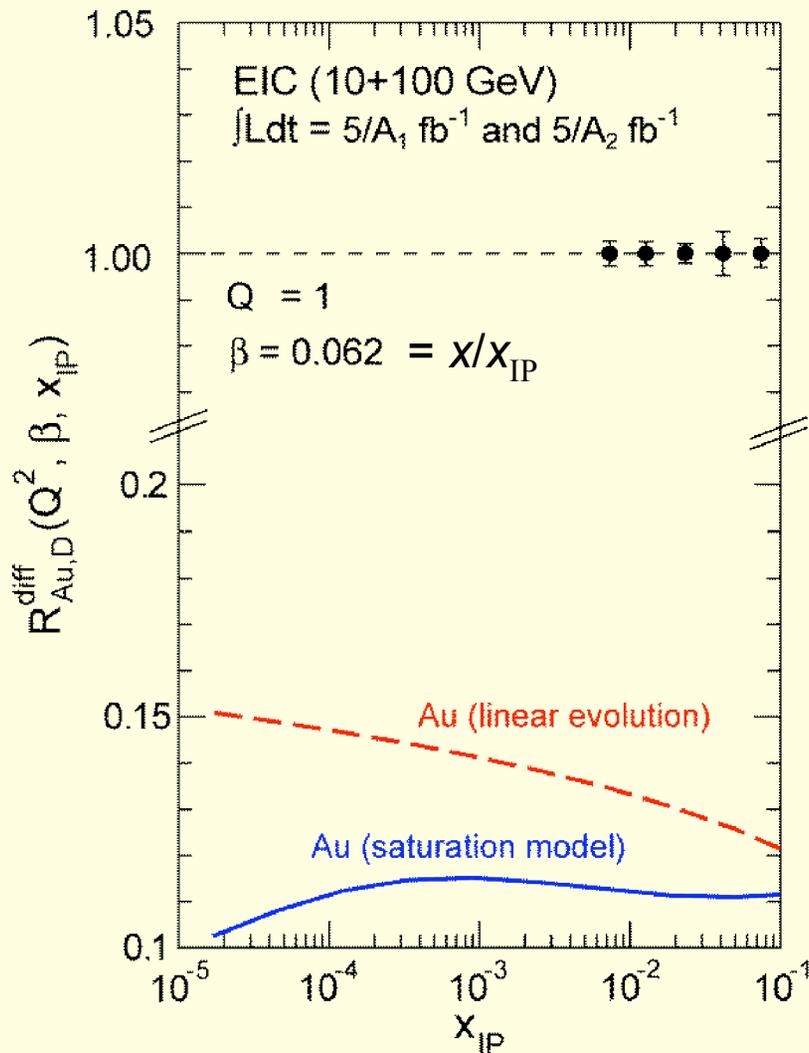
Detector activity in proton direction

7 TeV equivalent electron bombarding the proton ...  
but proton remains intact in 15% of cases ...

- **HERA/ep:** 15% of all events are hard diffractive
- Diffractive cross-section  $\sigma_{\text{diff}}/\sigma_{\text{tot}}$  in  $e+A$  ?

6/22/07 – **CGC Prediction: ~25-40%?**

# Diffractive Structure Function $F_2^D$ at EIC

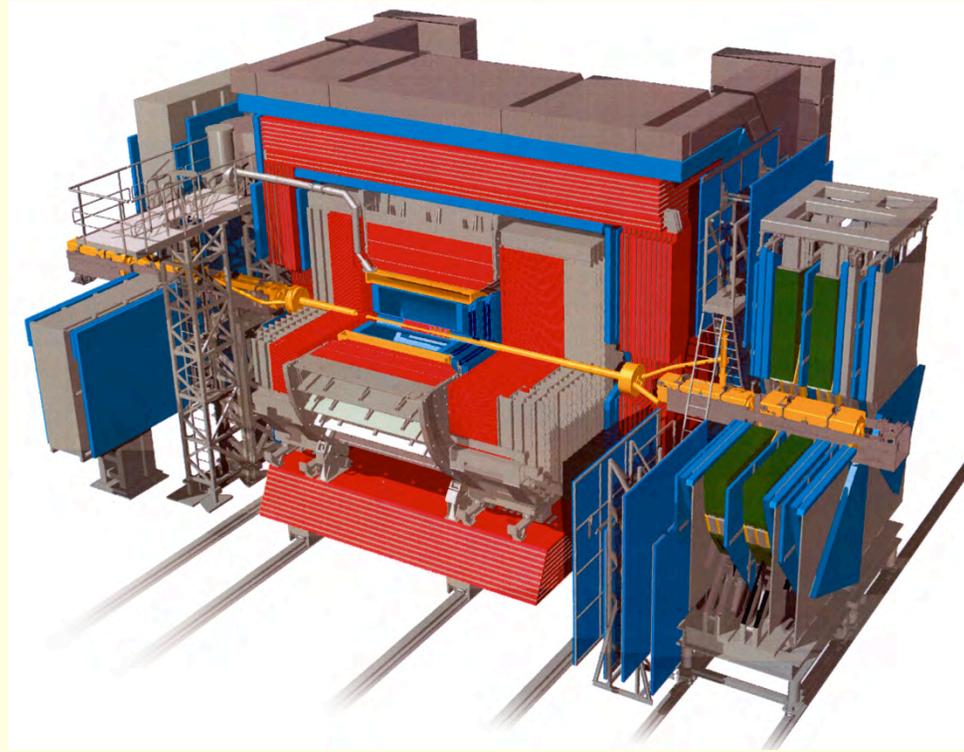


$$\frac{d^4 \sigma^{eh \rightarrow eXh}}{dx dQ^2 d\beta dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_{e.m.}^2}{\beta^2 Q^4} \left[ \left( 1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) F_2^D + \frac{y^2}{2} F_L^D \right]$$

$x_{IP}$  = momentum fraction of the pomeron w.r.t the hadron

- ⇒ Distinguish between **linear evolution** and **saturation models**
- ⇒ Insight into the **nature of pomeron**
- ⇒ Search for **exotic objects (Odderon)**

# Detector design ideas .....

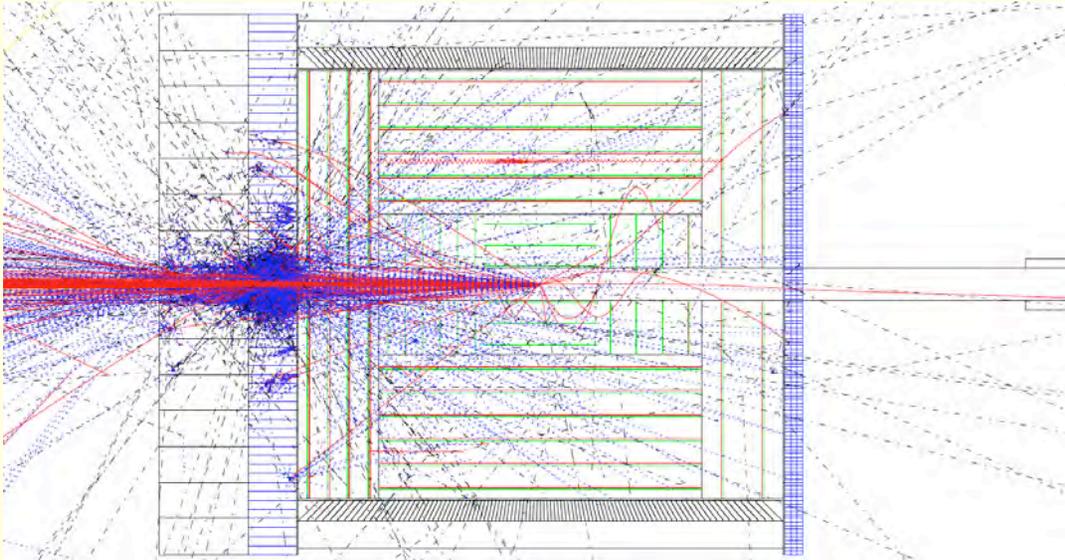


Main detector: learn from ZEUS (+ H1)

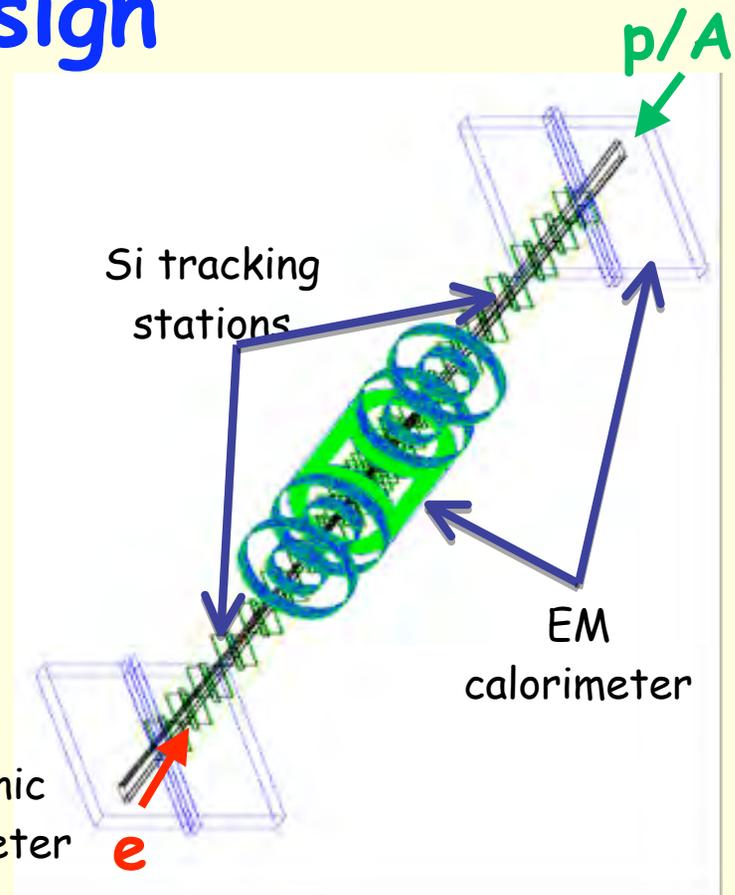
But:

- low-field region around central tracker
- better particle identification
- forward-angle detectors
- auxiliary detectors for exclusive events
- auxiliary detectors for normalization

# Detector design



Main detector: Top view



Main detector:  
Emphasize high-luminosity  
full physics program

Alternate detector:  
Emphasize low-x, low- $Q^2$   
diffractive physics  
("HERA-III design",  
MPI-Munchen)

## A few observations...

The case for the Electron Ion Collider has developed significantly since the early ideas were presented in 1999/2000.. This should continue.

**My personal opinion is that we have a great chance to realize this facility now... and more probably here at BNL. We need to act decisively and aggressively.**

The US QCD physics community supported the physics case this time in the NSAC long range planning process.... However, we need to find connections outside the QCD community and have their support if we are to realize this facility in the next Long Range Plan.

**An Electron Ion Collider Collaboration/Working-Group is formed. A structure and set of responsibilities for various people are being discussed, among them detailed simulations of physics and detectors to as to prepare ourselves for detector R&D and design in the next few years.**

# The EIC Collaboration/Working Group

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## EIC Recommendation NSAC LRP, May 4, 2007

**We recommend the allocation of resources to develop accelerator and detector technology necessary to lay the foundation for a polarized Electron Ion Collider. The EIC would explore the new QCD frontier of strong color fields in nuclei and precisely image the gluons in the proton.**

*Without gluons there are no protons, no neutrons, and no atomic nuclei. Interactions among gluons determine the unique features of strong interactions. However, gluon properties in matter remain largely unexplored. Recent theoretical breakthroughs and experimental results suggest that both nucleons and nuclei when viewed at high energies appear as dense systems of gluons, creating the strongest fields in nature. The emerging science of this universal gluonic matter drives the development of a next generation high luminosity electron ion collider. Polarized beams in the EIC will give unprecedented access to the spatial and spin structure of gluons in the proton. The EIC embodies our vision for reaching the next QCD frontier. Realization of an EIC will require advancements in accelerator science and technology, detector R&D, and continued theoretical development.*