

# Experimental Overview on Polarised Quark Distributions

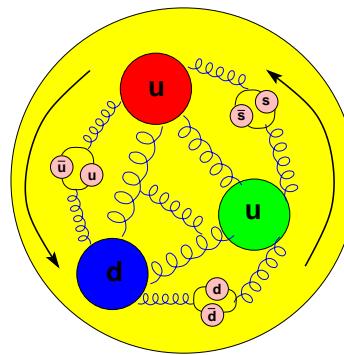


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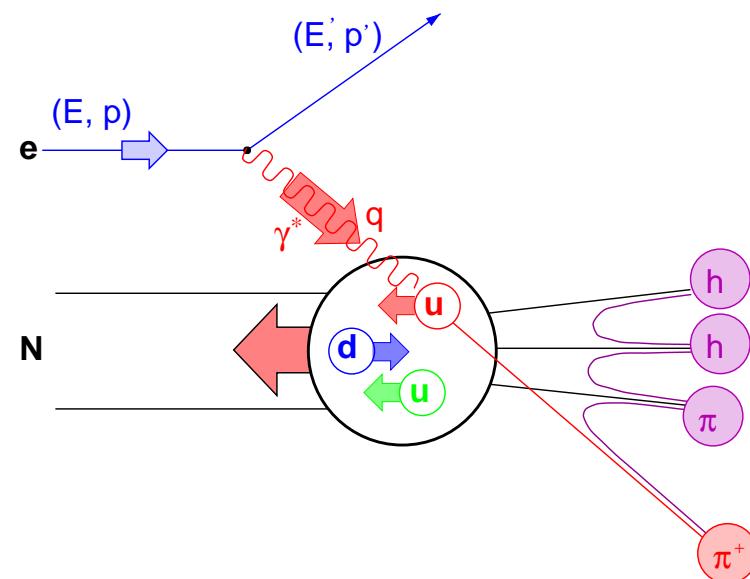
# The spin of the nucleon



$$S_N = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L_q + L_g$$

Main sources:	$\Delta\Sigma, \Delta s$	inclusive DIS
	$\Delta G$	PGF in DIS, $qg$ in $pp$
	$\Delta u, \Delta d, \Delta s$	Flavourseparation in SIDIS $W^\pm$ in $pp$
	$L_q$	DVCS

# Deep inelastic scattering



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

$$\nu = E - E'$$

$$x = Q^2 / 2M\nu$$

$$z = E_h / \nu$$

$p_T^h$  : transverse  
momentum

$$q(x) = q(x)^+ + q(x)^- \quad + \text{quark } \uparrow\uparrow \text{ nucleon}$$

$$\Delta q(x) = q(x)^+ - q(x)^- \quad - \text{quark } \downarrow\uparrow \text{ nucleon}$$

- **photon nucleon asymmetry**

$$A_1 = \frac{\sigma_{1/2} - \sigma_{3/2}}{\sigma_{1/2} + \sigma_{3/2}} \approx \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 (q(x)^+ - q(x)^-)}{\sum_q e_q^2 (q(x)^+ + q(x)^-)} = \frac{g_1(x)}{F_1(x)}$$

- **spin structure function**

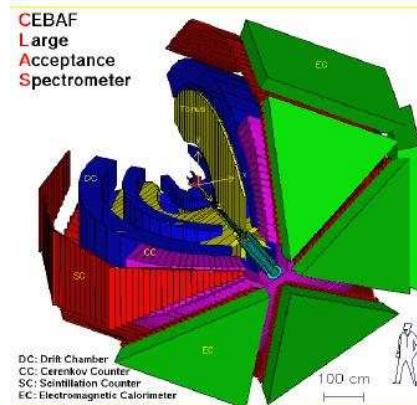
$$g_1 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q e_q^2 \Delta q(x) = A_1 \cdot \frac{F_2}{2x(1+R)} \approx \frac{A_{||}}{D} \cdot \frac{F_2}{2x(1+R)}$$

# Experiments

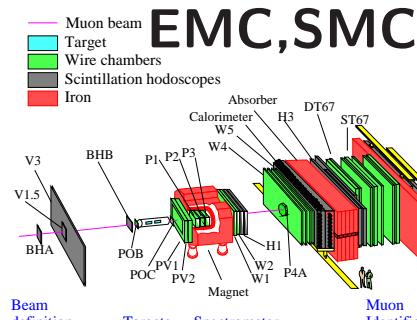
# SLAC: Endstation A



## JLAB: CLAS

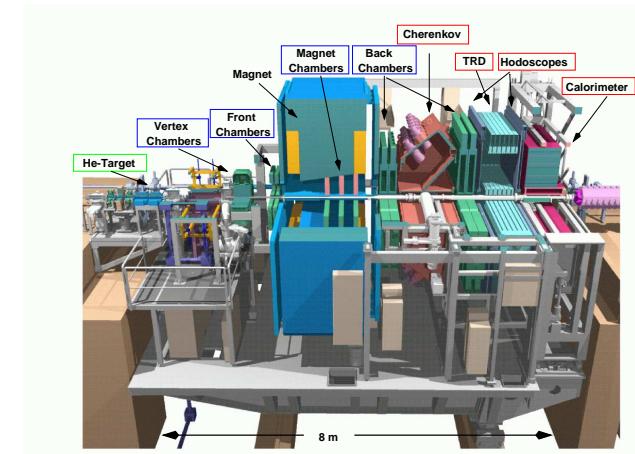


## CERN:



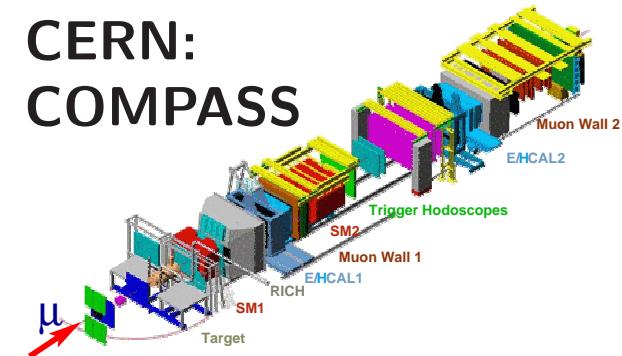
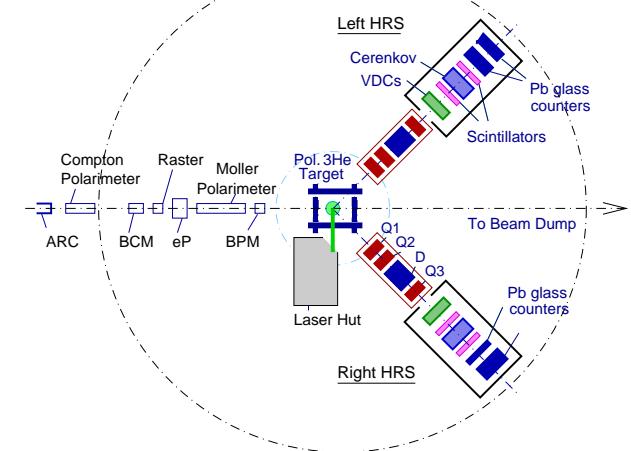
# Experiments

E80, E130	$\vec{e} \vec{p}$	$\leq 20$ GeV
EMC	$\vec{\mu} \vec{p}$	100–200 GeV
E142, 143	$\vec{e} \vec{p}, \vec{n}, \vec{d}$	$\leq 28$ GeV
SMC	$\vec{\mu} \vec{p}, \vec{d}$	100, 190 GeV
E154, 155	$\vec{e} \vec{p}, \vec{n}, \vec{d}$	$\leq 50$ GeV
HERMES	$\vec{e} \vec{p}, \vec{n}, \vec{d}$	27.5 GeV
COMPASS	$\vec{\mu} \vec{p}, \vec{d}$	160 GeV
HALL A	$\vec{e} \vec{n}$	6 GeV
CLAS	$\vec{e} \vec{p}, \vec{d}$	6 GeV



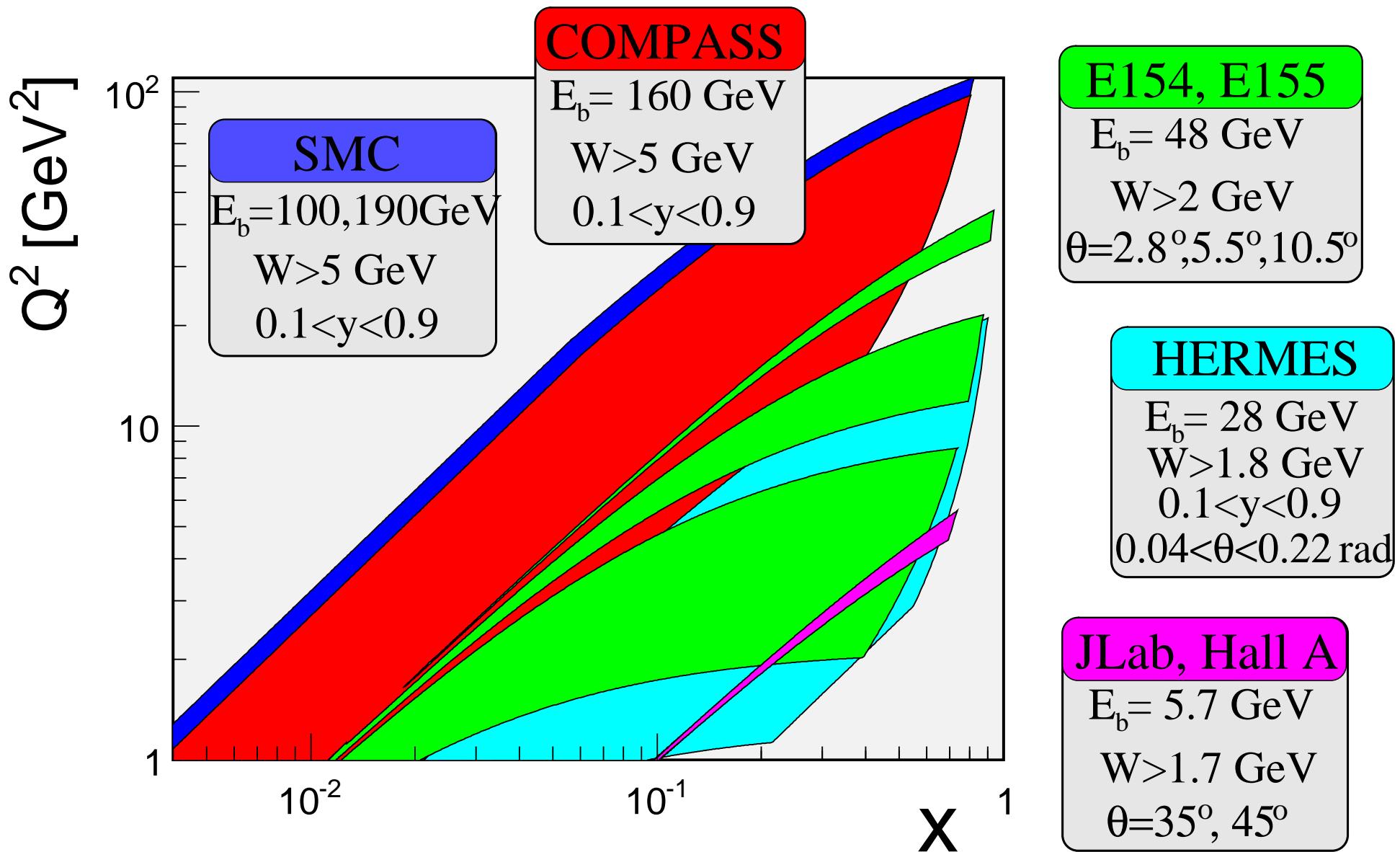
## DESY: HERMES

## JLAB: E99-117

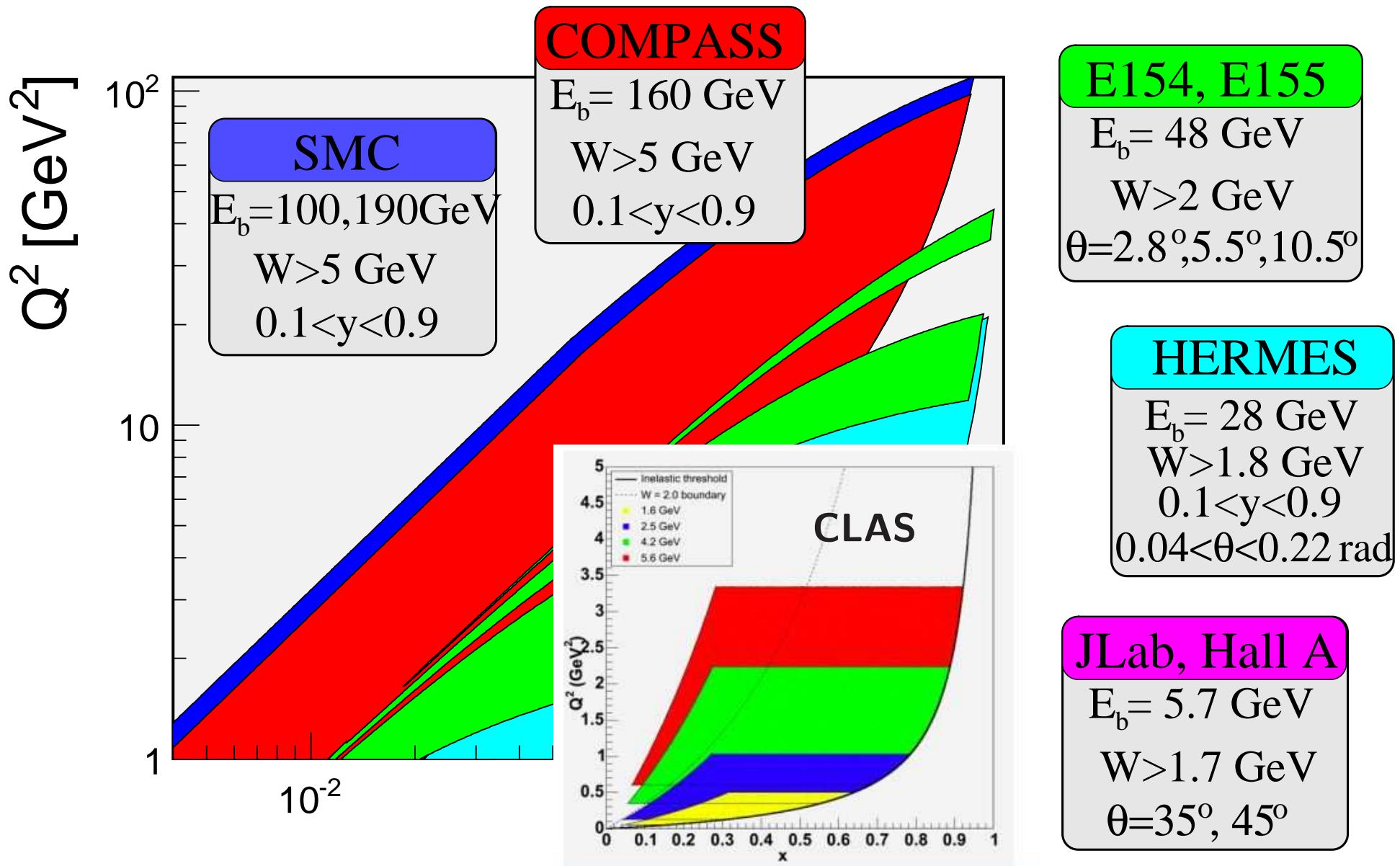


## CERN: COMPASS

# Kinematic domain of pDIS experiments



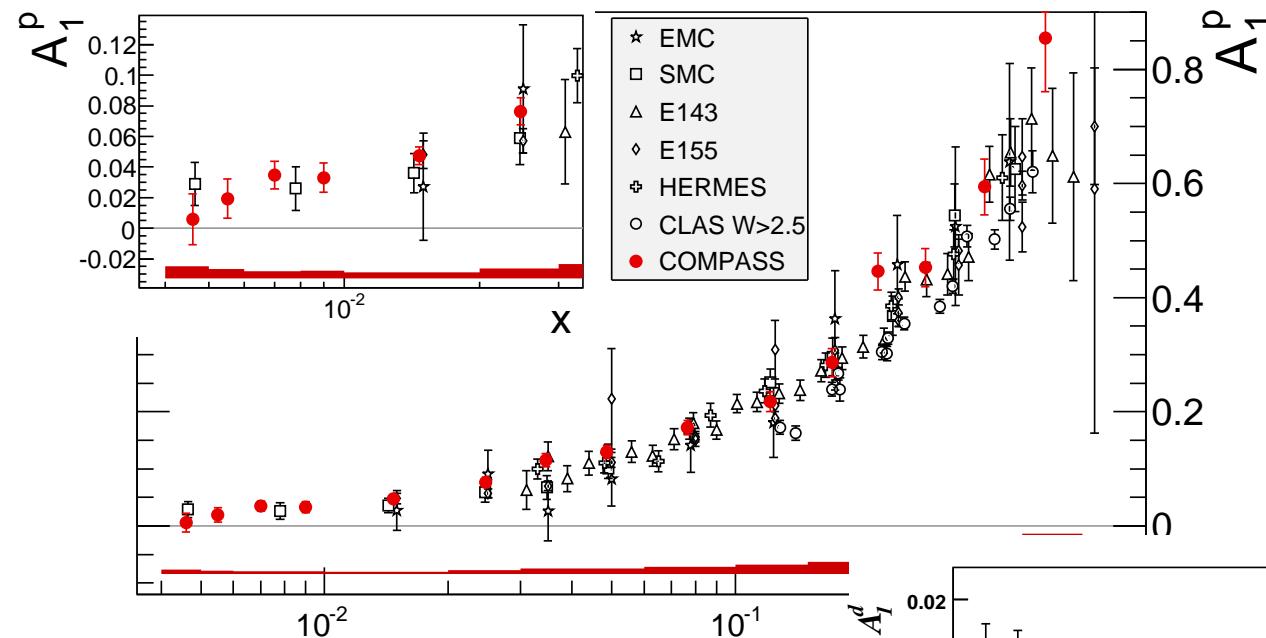
# Kinematic domain of pDIS experiments



# Inclusive asymmetries

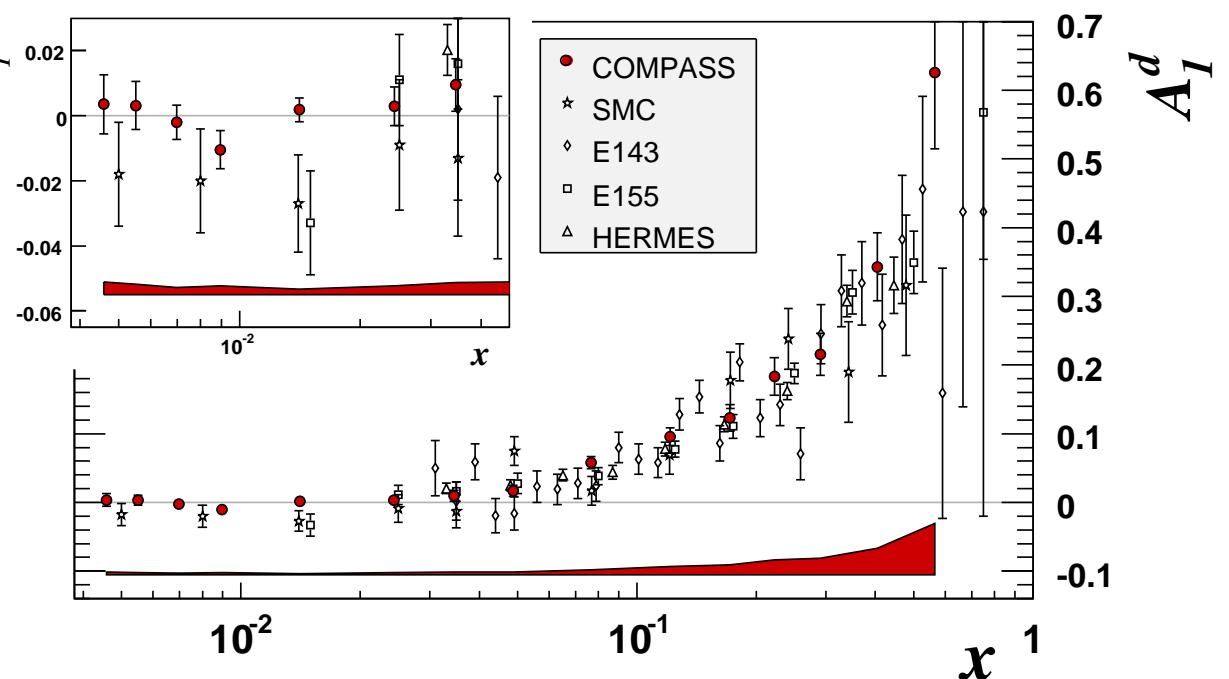
# World data for $A_1^{p,d}$ ( $Q^2 > 1$ $(\text{GeV}/c)^2$ )

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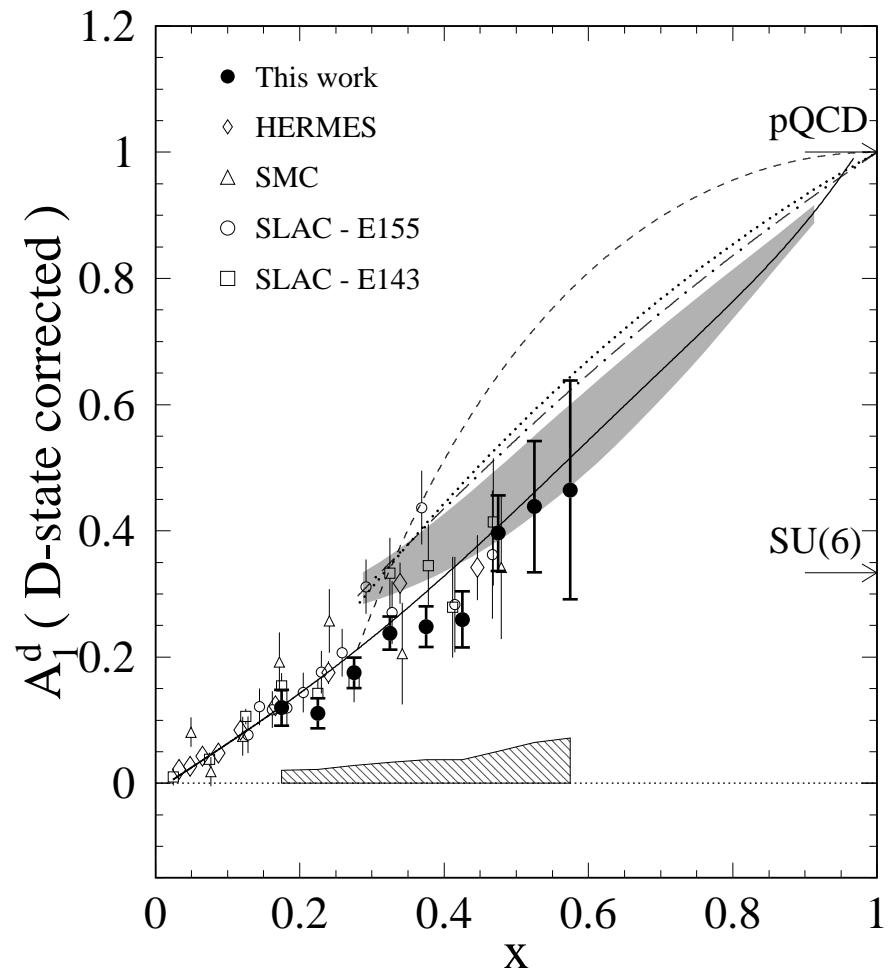
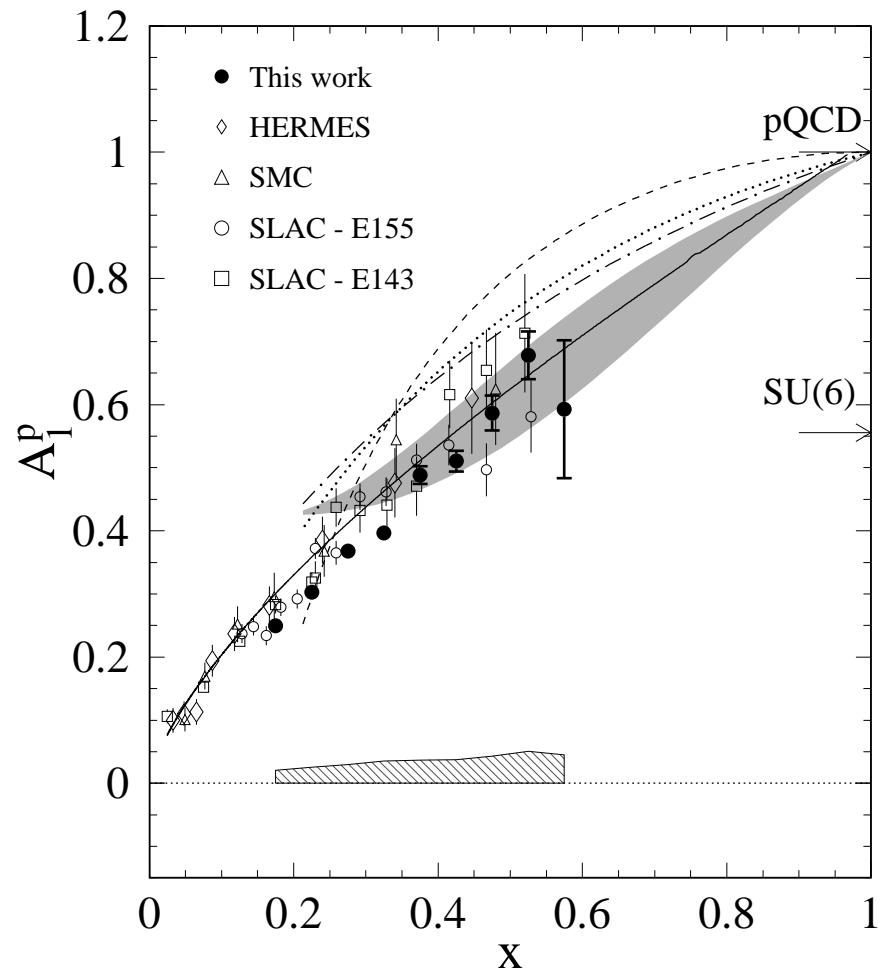
final HERMES data  
(PRD 75 (2007) 012007)  
COMPASS d and p data

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- compatible with 0 for  $x < 0.01$
- good agreement between all exp.
- weak  $Q^2$  dependence of  $A_1$
- no negative trend for d

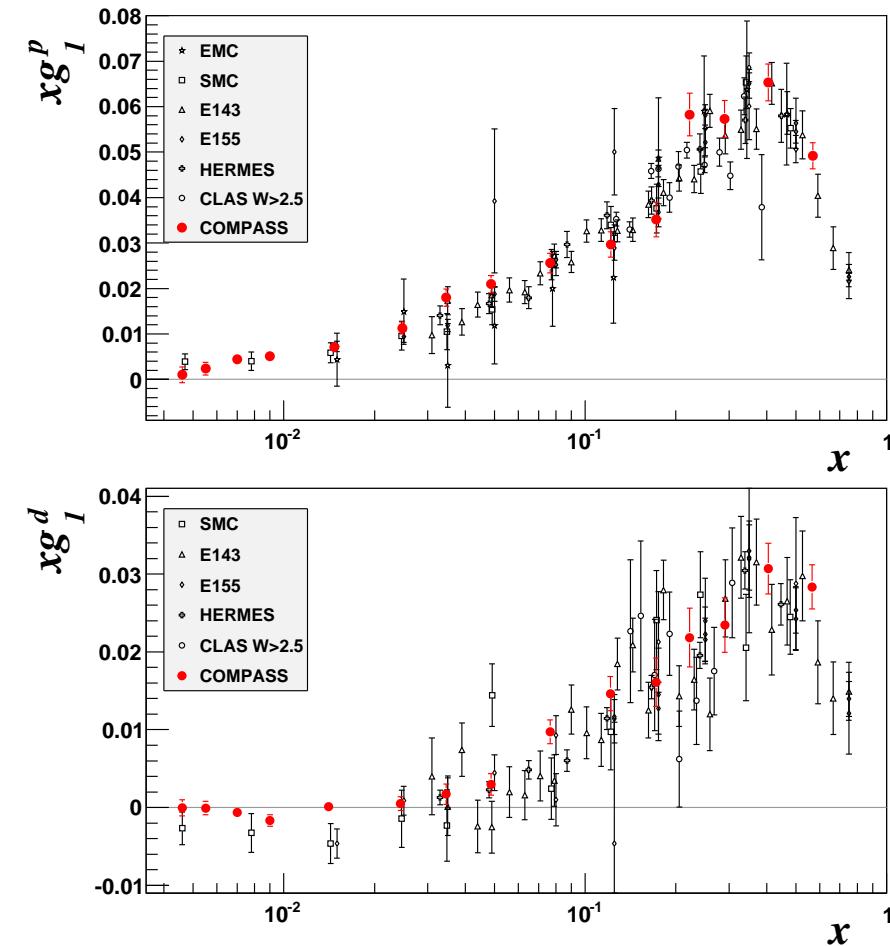
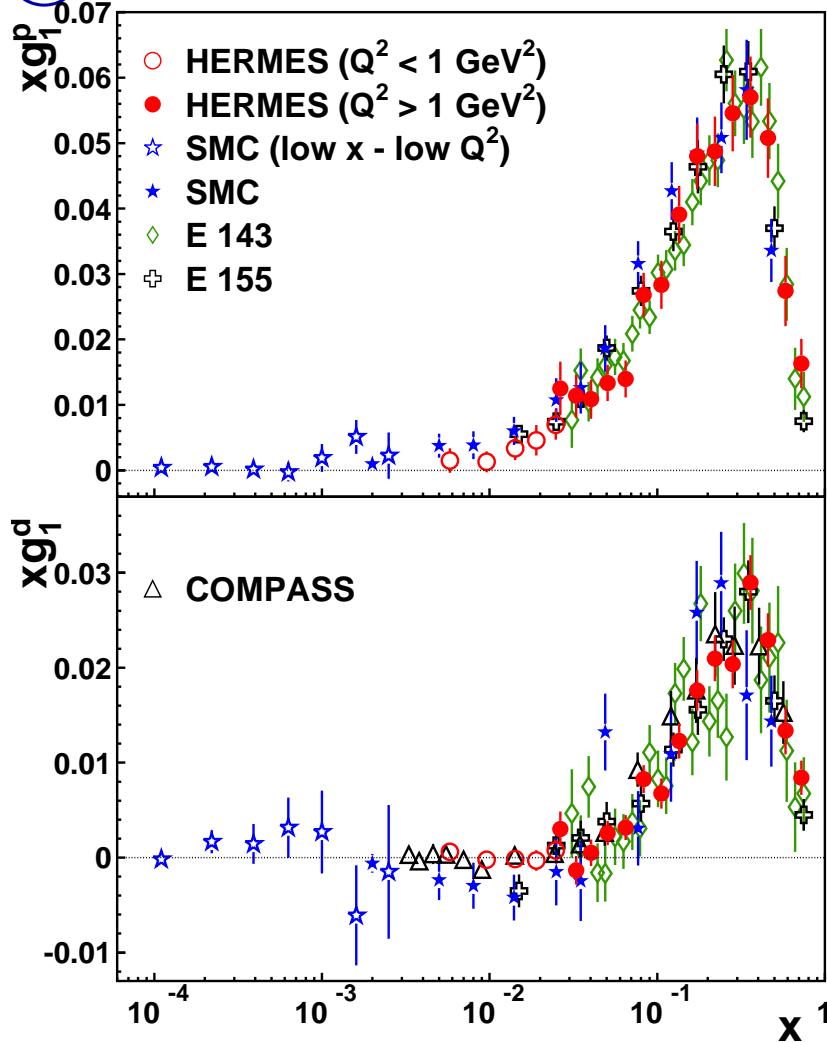
# $A_1^{p,d}$ at large $x$



- CLAS data ([PLB 641 \(2006\)11](#)) slightly below the other experiments
- in reasonable agreement with HFP(hyperfine perturbed) quark modell (shaded area)
- can be used directly to extract  $\Delta u/u$  and  $\Delta d/d$

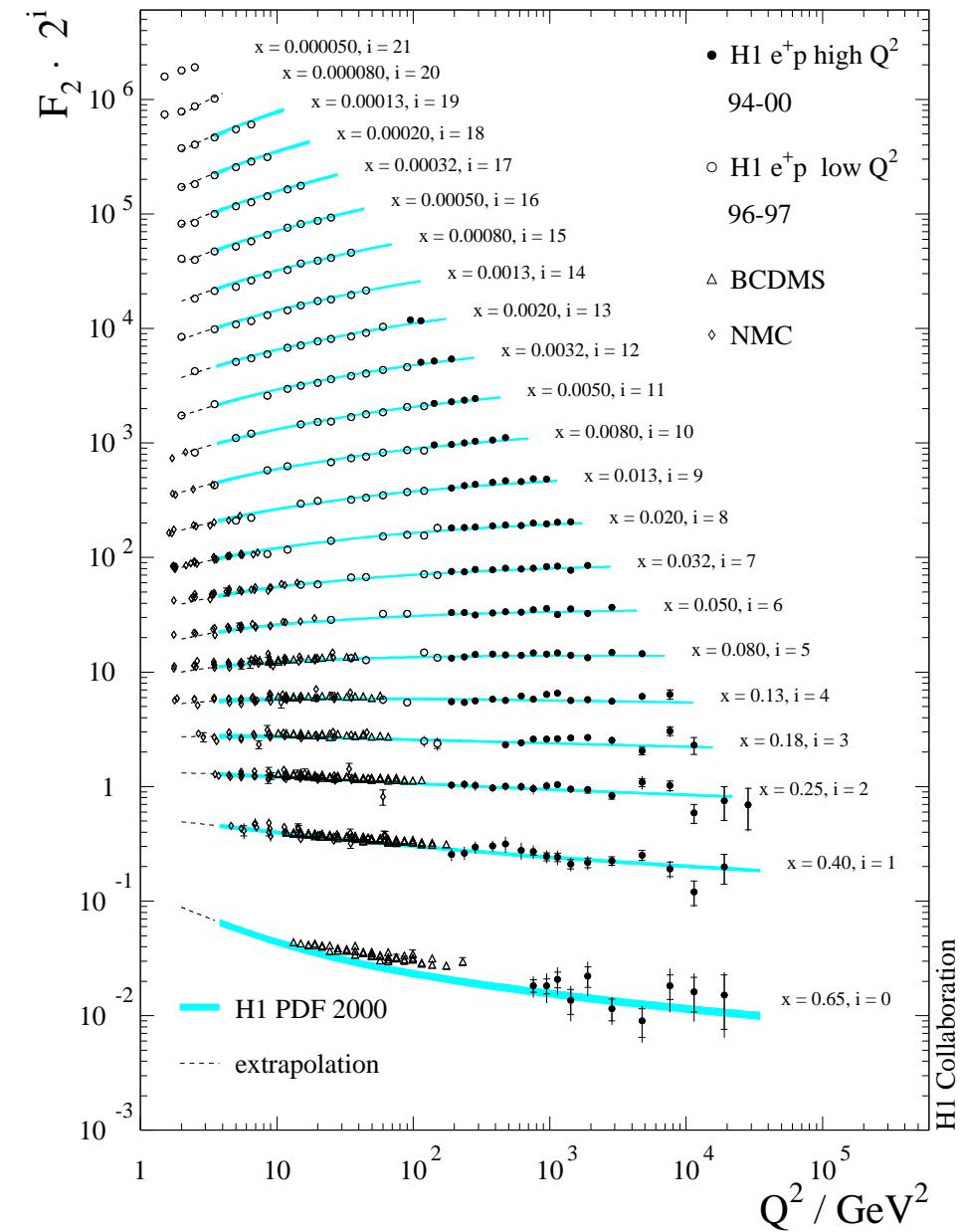
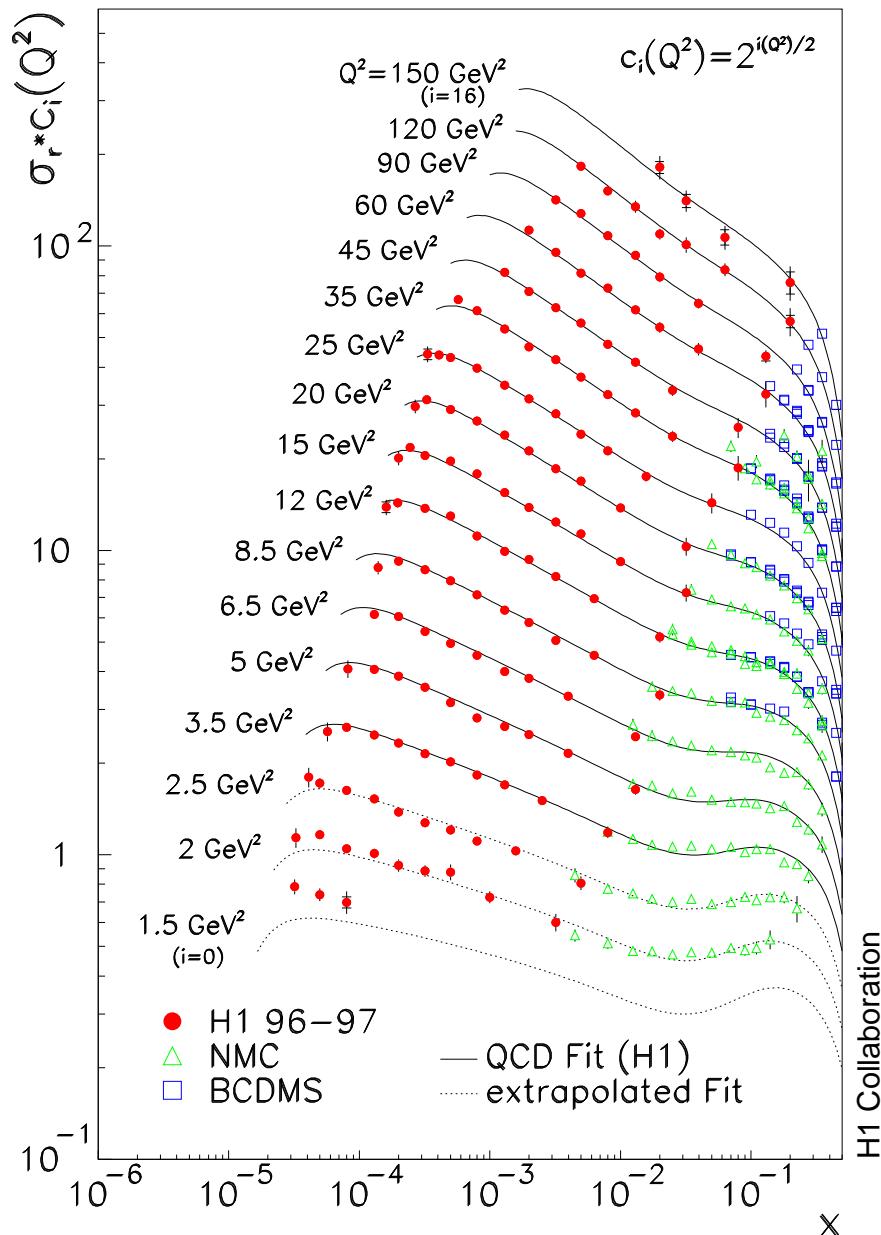
# Spin structure functions

# World data on $g_1^{p,d}$ in DIS)

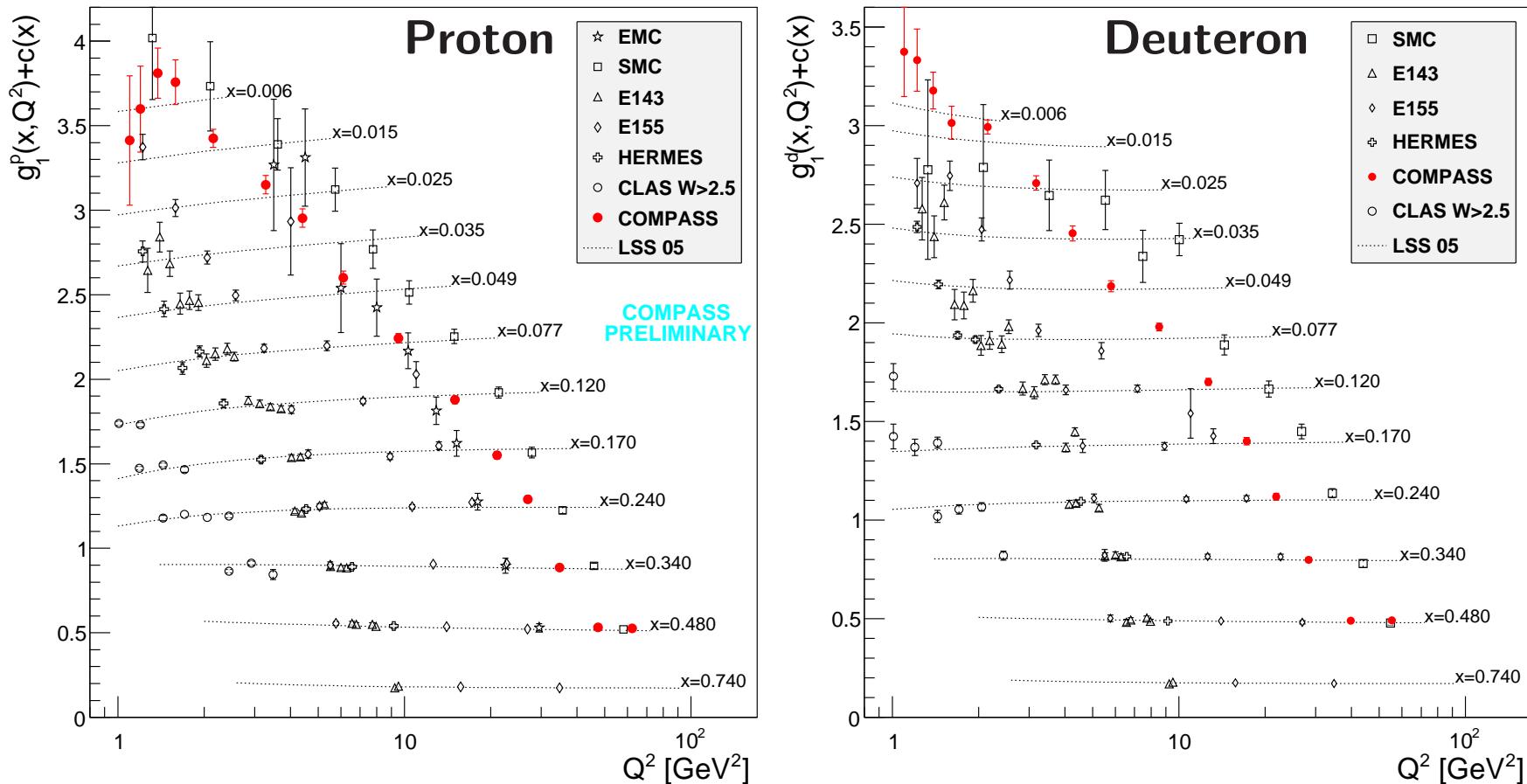


- high statistics  $g_1 = A_1 \frac{F_2}{2x(1+R)}$  from proton and deuteron data
- Final HERMES data: New method for smearing corr. (rad. corr. and resolution)
- more data to come from COMPASS, in addition  $g_1^n$  from  ${}^3\text{He}$

# What you really would like to have:



# World data on $g_1(x, Q^2)$



It's getting better → QCD analysis, but collider data clearly missing!

- $\Delta u + \Delta \bar{u}$  and  $\Delta d + \Delta \bar{d}$  well constrained by data (LSS PRD 80 (2009) 054026)
- $\Delta s$  and  $\Delta g$  need other data in addition to inclusive data
- $\Delta s$  comes out negative (except for DSSV) and  $\Delta G$  small ( $< 0.5$ )

Can one learn something without these fits?

# First moments of $g_1^d$

- **COMPASS and HERMES:**  $\Gamma_1^N = \int_0^1 g_1^N dx$  from deuteron data

- data used in measured range, QCD fit used for extrapolation
  - contribution of unmeasured region few %

- **using:**  $a_0^{\overline{\text{MS}}} = \Delta\Sigma$  and  $\Gamma_1^N = \frac{1}{9}(a_0\Delta C_S^{\overline{\text{MS}}} + \frac{1}{4}a_8\Delta C_{NS}^{\overline{\text{MS}}})$

$$a_0(Q^2 = 3(\text{GeV}/c)^2) = 0.35 \pm 0.03(\text{stat}) \pm 0.05(\text{syst})$$

COMPASS

$$a_0(Q^2 = 5(\text{GeV}/c)^2) = 0.33 \pm 0.025(\text{exp}) \pm 0.028(\text{evol}) \pm 0.011(\text{theo})$$

HERMES

- **assuming SU(3) symmetry:**  $(\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}) = \frac{1}{3}(\hat{a}_0 + a_8)$

$$(\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}) = -0.08 \pm 0.01(\text{stat}) \pm 0.02(\text{syst})$$

COMPASS

$$(\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}) = -0.085 \pm 0.008(\text{exp}) \pm 0.009(\text{evol}) \pm 0.013(\text{theo})$$

HERMES

- **negative strange sea polarisation**

# Non-singlet structure function



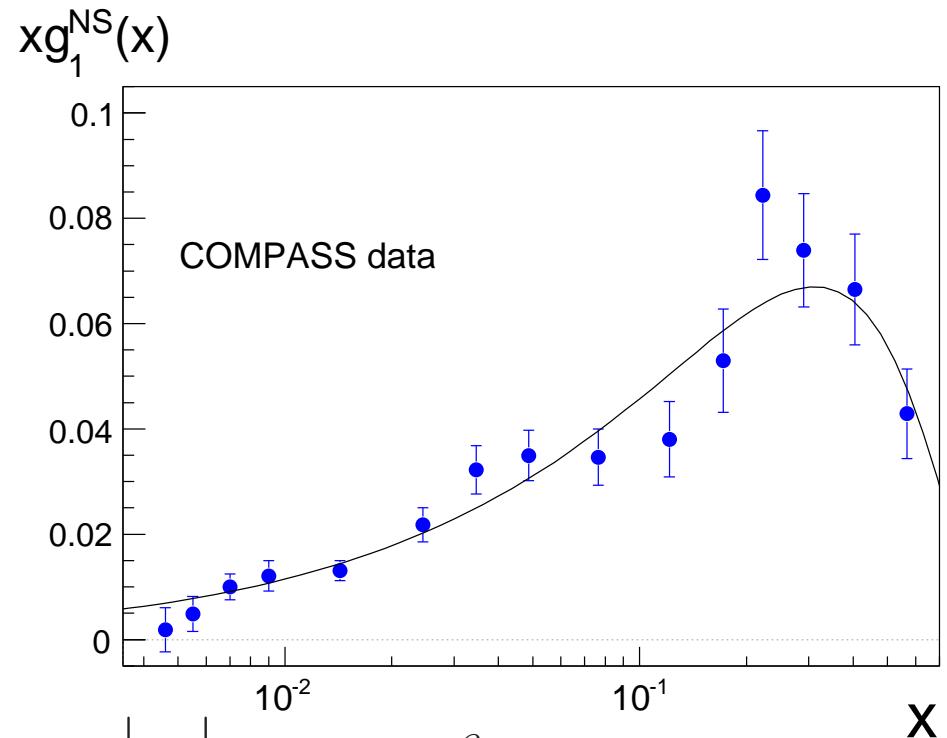
- non-singlet structure function

$$\begin{aligned} g_1^{\text{NS}} &= g_1^{\text{p}} - g_1^{\text{n}} \\ &= 2 \left[ g_1^{\text{p}} - \frac{g_1^{\text{d}}}{1 - 1.5\omega_D} \right] \end{aligned}$$

- Bjorken sum rule

$$\int_0^1 g_1^{\text{NS}} dx = \left| \frac{g_A}{g_V} \right| C^{\text{NS}}$$

- QCD fit of COMPASS data alone:  $\Delta q_{\text{NS}} = \left| \frac{g_A}{g_V} \right| x^\alpha (1-x)^\beta$

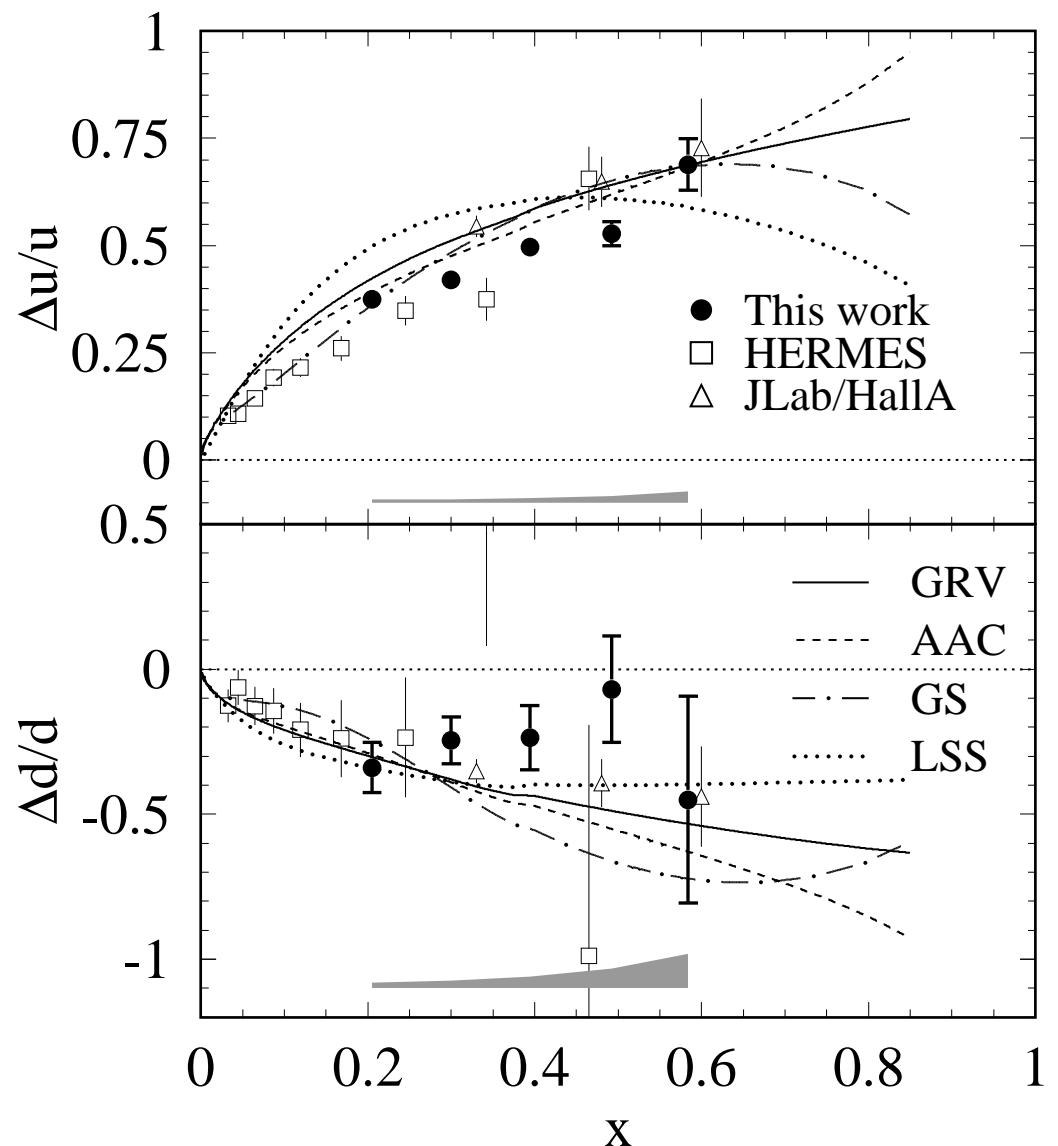


$$g_A/g_V = 1.28 \pm 0.07(\text{stat}) \pm 0.10(\text{syst})$$

- dominant systematic errors: beam and target polarisation
- PDG value:  $g_A/g_V = 1.269 \pm 0.003$

# Quark polarisation in the valence region

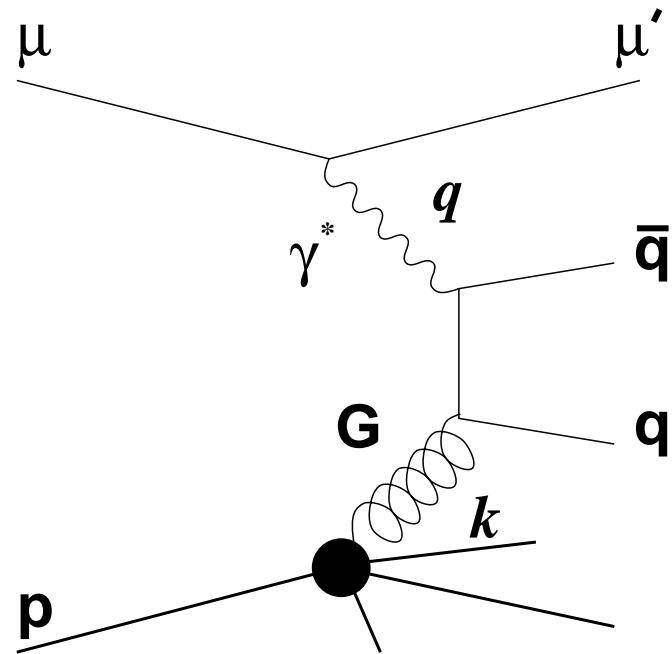
- CLAS EG1 result for  $A_1^{\text{p},\text{d}}$
- assuming negligible sea contribution
- $\Delta u/u > 0$
- $\Delta u/u \rightarrow 1$  for  $x \rightarrow 1$   
consistent with QM, pQCD,  
disagrees with SU(6)
- $\Delta d/d < 0$   
up to highest  $x \sim 0.6$
- disagrees with pQCD without  
orbital angular momentum  
but agrees e.g. with HFP quark  
modell



# Gluon polarisation

# $\Delta G/G$ measurements in DIS

## Photon gluon fusion



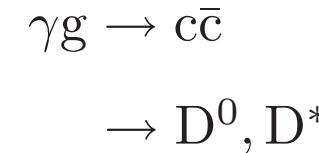
$$A_{\gamma N}^{\text{PGF}} = \frac{\int d\hat{s} \Delta\sigma^{\text{PGF}} \Delta G(x_g, \hat{s})}{\int d\hat{s} \sigma^{\text{PGF}} G(x_g, \hat{s})}$$

$$\approx \langle a_{\text{LL}}^{\text{PGF}} \rangle \frac{\Delta G}{G}$$

$\langle a_{\text{LL}}^{\text{PGF}} \rangle$  analysing power

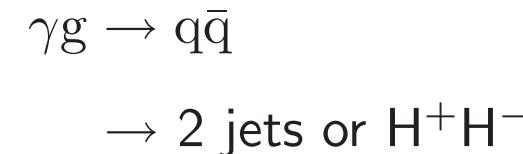
## Direct methods

- Open charm production



hard scale:  $M_c^2$   
theoretically clean channel,  
low statistics

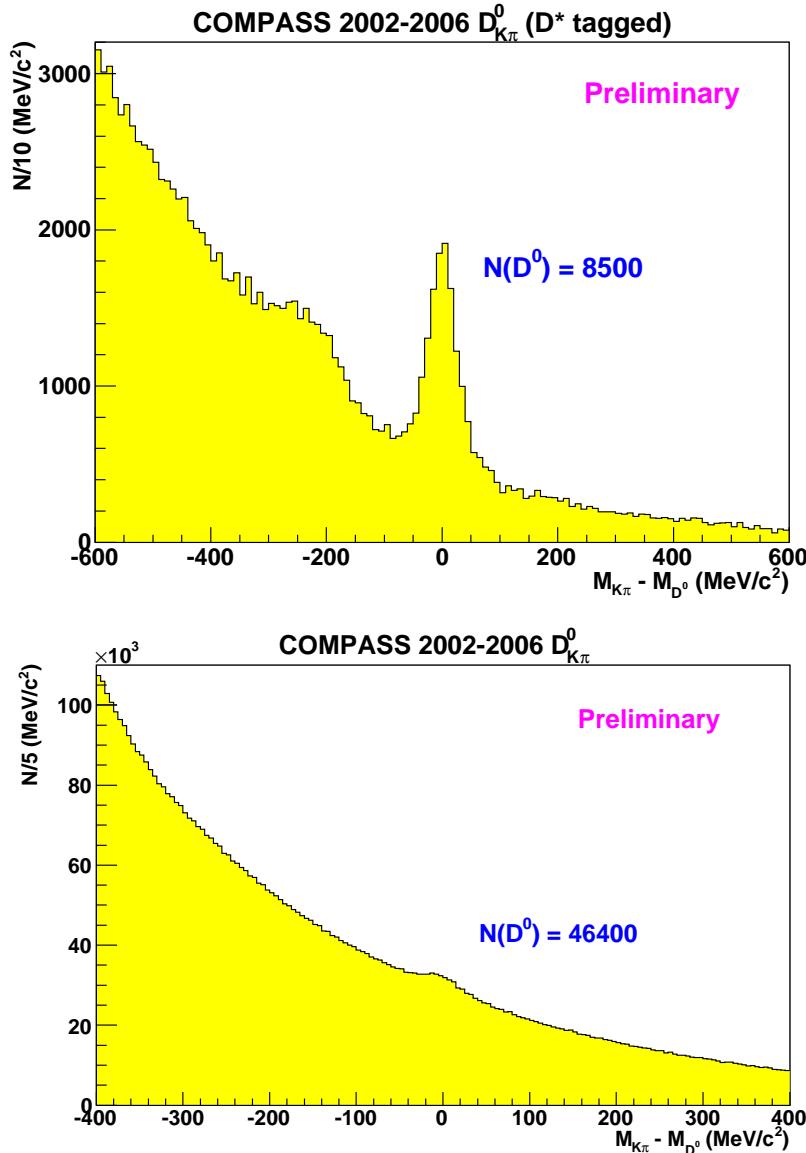
- High  $p_T$  hadron pairs



hard scale:  $Q^2$  or  $\sum p_T^2$   
high statistics  
contributions from background  
processes

# Open charm production

- channels investigated



$$D^* \rightarrow D^0 \pi_{\text{slow}} \rightarrow K \pi \pi_{\text{slow}}$$
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$$D^0 \rightarrow K \pi$$

- all deuteron data (PLB 676 (2009) 31)
- all  $Q^2$ ,  $a_{LL}$  in LO
- scale  $\mu^2 \approx 13 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$
- improved analysis method
- update with proton data (2007) and channels (**preliminary**)

$$D^* \rightarrow D^0 \pi_{\text{slow}} \rightarrow K \pi \pi \pi_{\text{slow}}$$

$$\Delta g/g = -0.08 \pm 0.21(\text{stat}) \pm 0.11(\text{syst})$$

at  $x_g = 0.11$

# High $p_T$ hadron pairs

$$\Delta g/g(x_g) = (A_{\text{LL}}^{2h} + A^{\text{corr}})/\beta$$

- **selection**

$Q^2 > 1 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$ ,  $p_T^{h_1(h_2)} > 0.7(0.4) \text{ GeV}/c$

- **background processes**

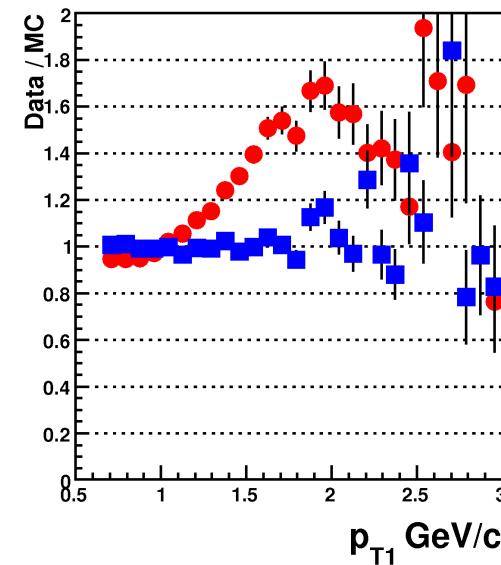
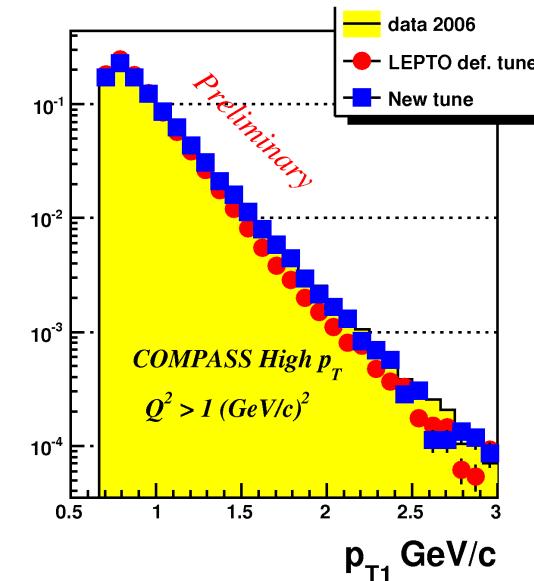
QCD-Compton, leading order  
(plus resolved photons for small  $Q^2$ )

- improved MC (Lepto) and NN method,  
new JETSET tuning

- **new preliminary result** from all deuteron data  
(2002–2006), three bins in  $x_g$

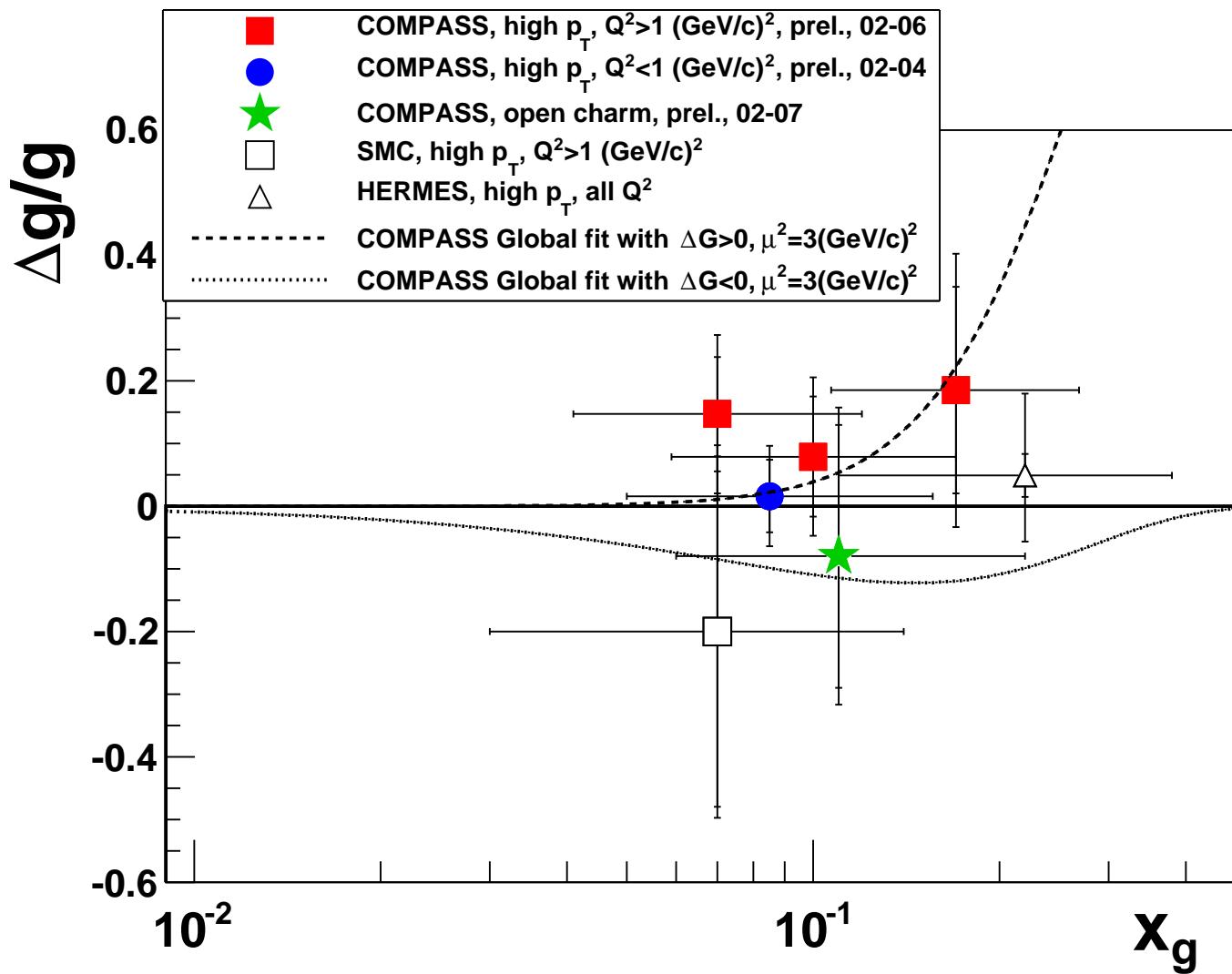
$$\Delta g/g = 0.125 \pm 0.06(\text{stat}) \pm 0.064(\text{syst})$$

- at  $x_g = 0.09$  and scale  $\mu^2 \approx 3.4 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$



similar for other variables

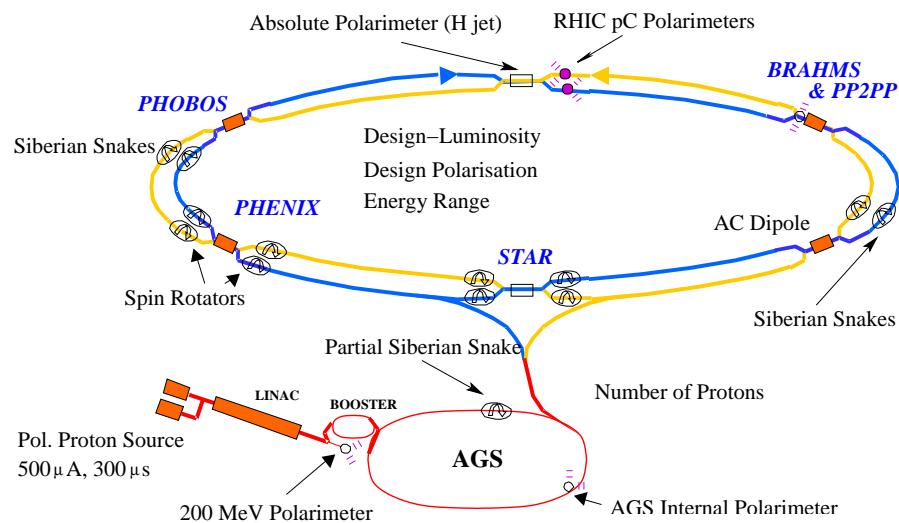
# Results for $\Delta G/G$



- $\Delta G/G$  is small or has a node around  $x_g \approx 0.1$
- supported by recent PHENIX and STAR results from pp-collisions

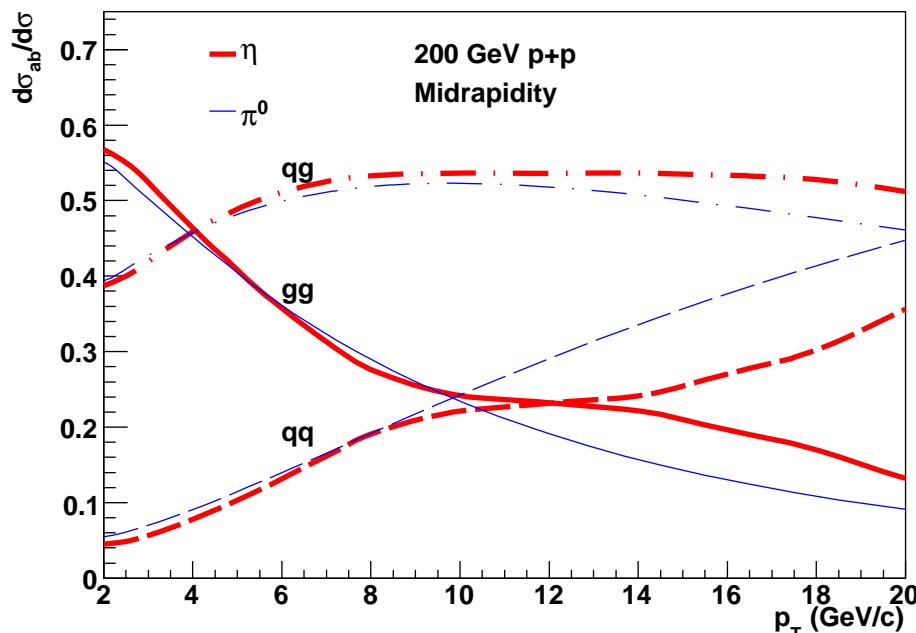
# $\Delta G/G$ from pp collider

RHIC:  $\vec{p}\vec{p}$  at 200 GeV



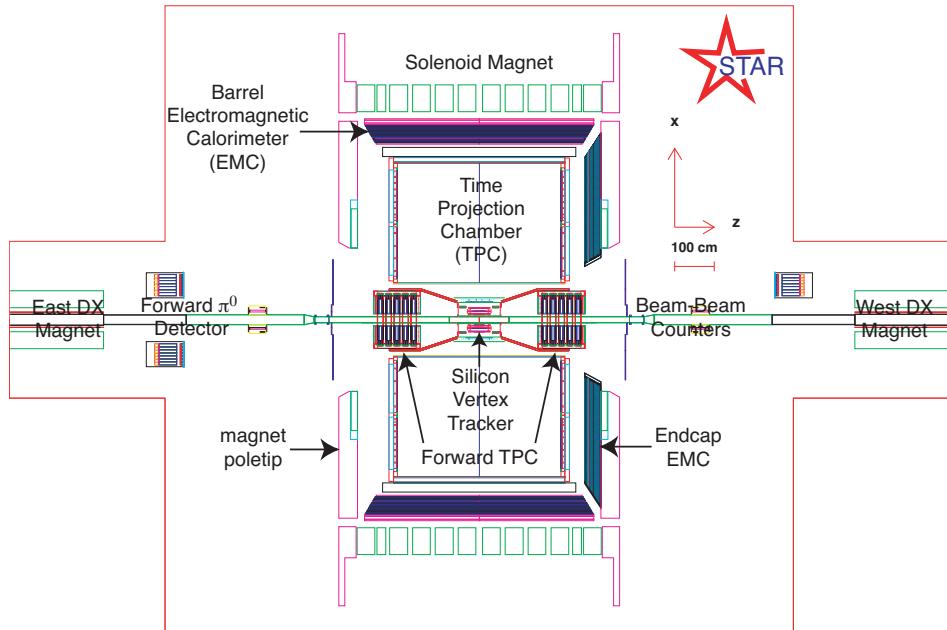
## Methods

- cleanest channel  
prompt photons:  $qg \rightarrow q\gamma$
- needs high luminosity
- up to now:  $qg \rightarrow qg$
- pionproduction, jets



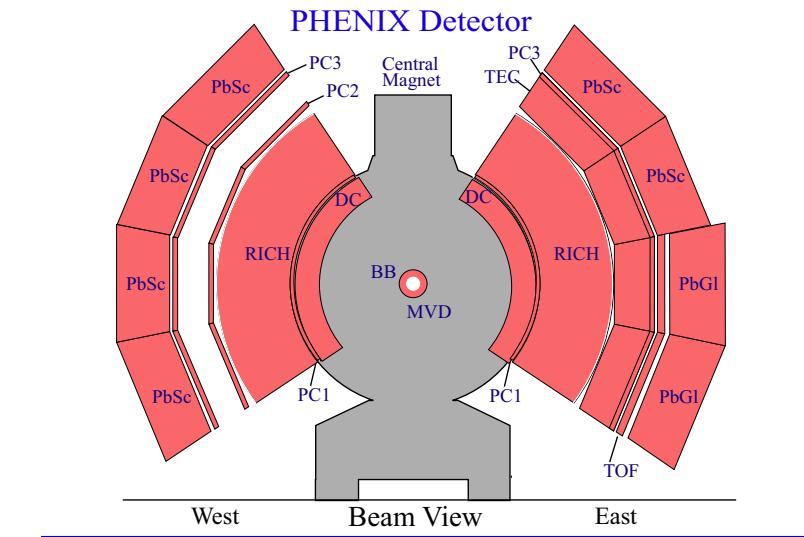
# Experiments

## STAR

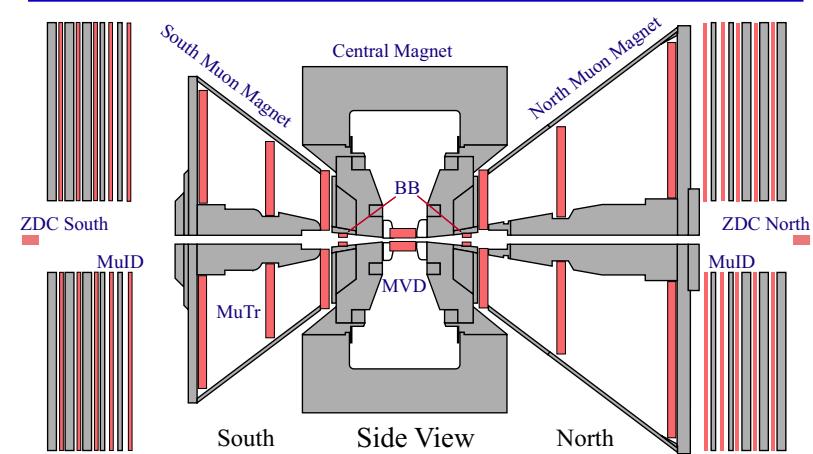


## PHENIX

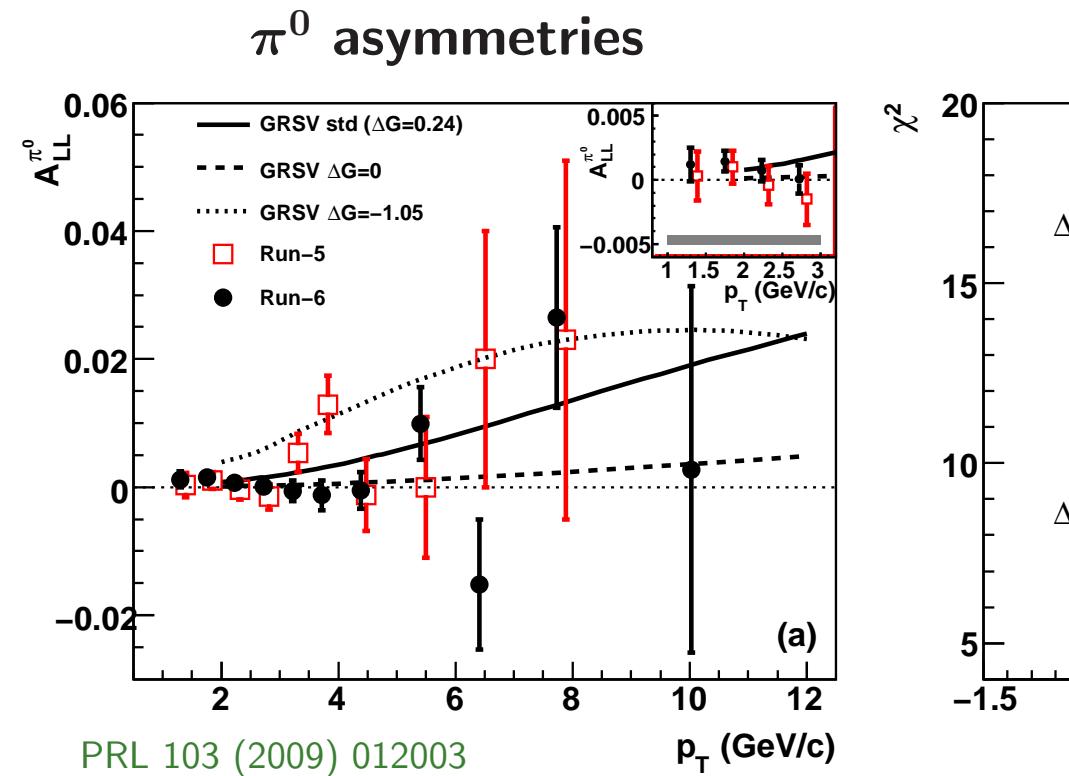
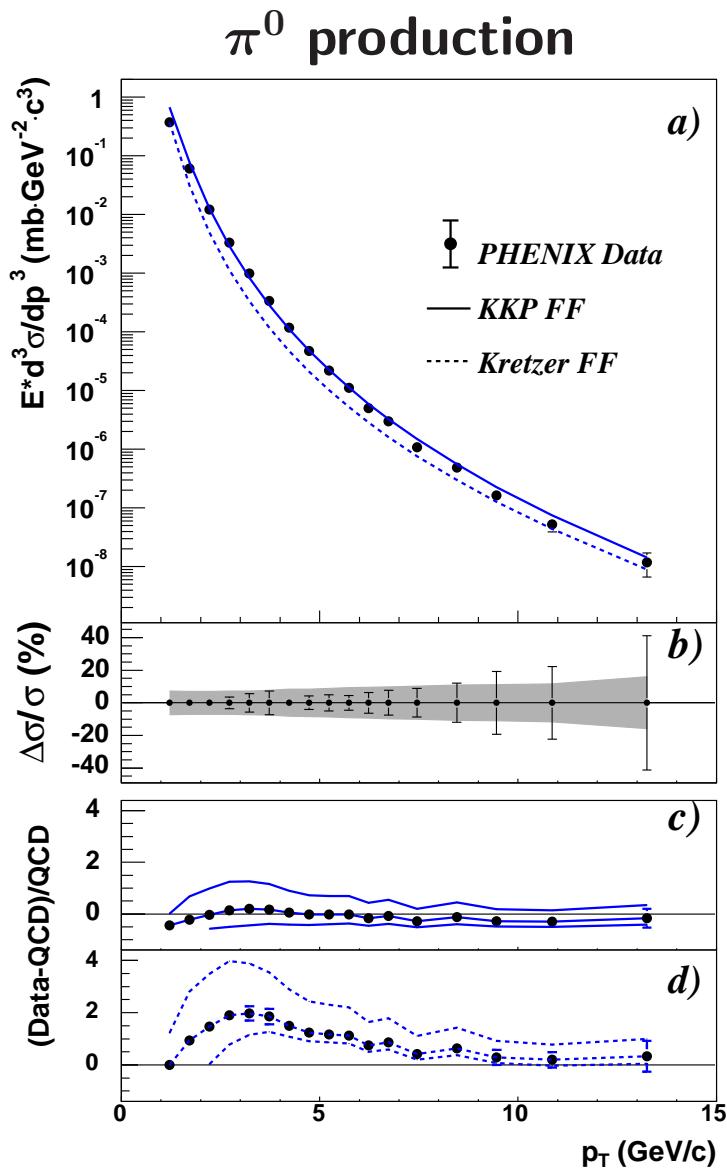
- analysis of  $\pi^0, \eta, \pi^\pm, \gamma$  production
- first results from  $W^\pm$  production



- analysis of jet events at midrapidity
- also: dijet,  $\pi^0, \pi^\pm$
- first results from  $W^\pm$  production



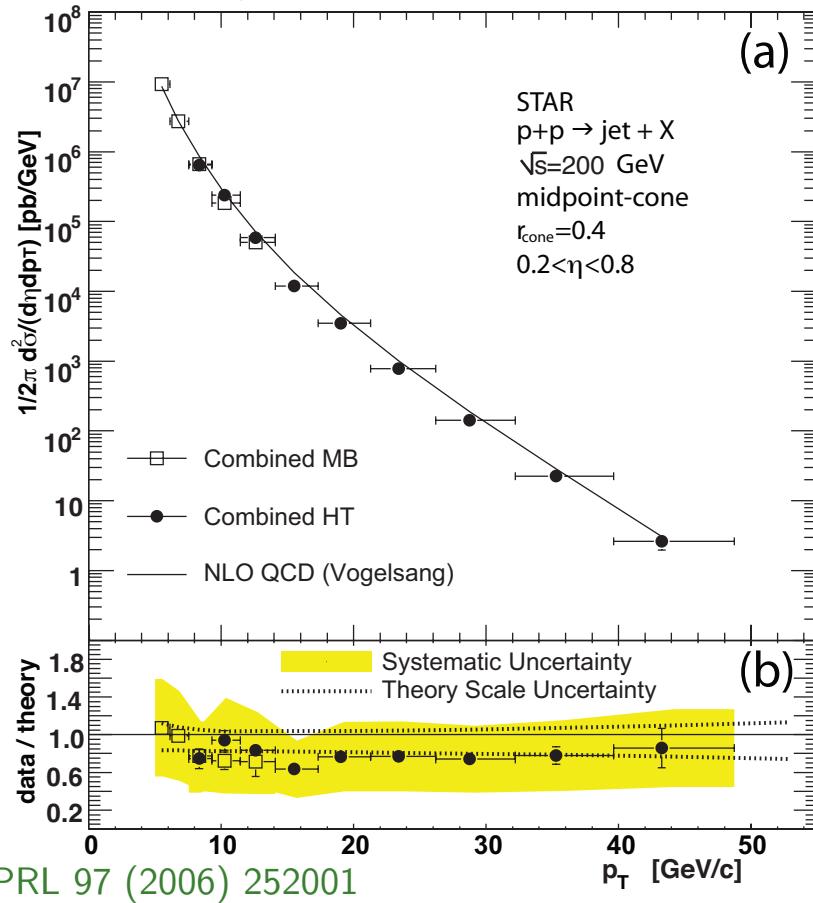
# PHENIX results



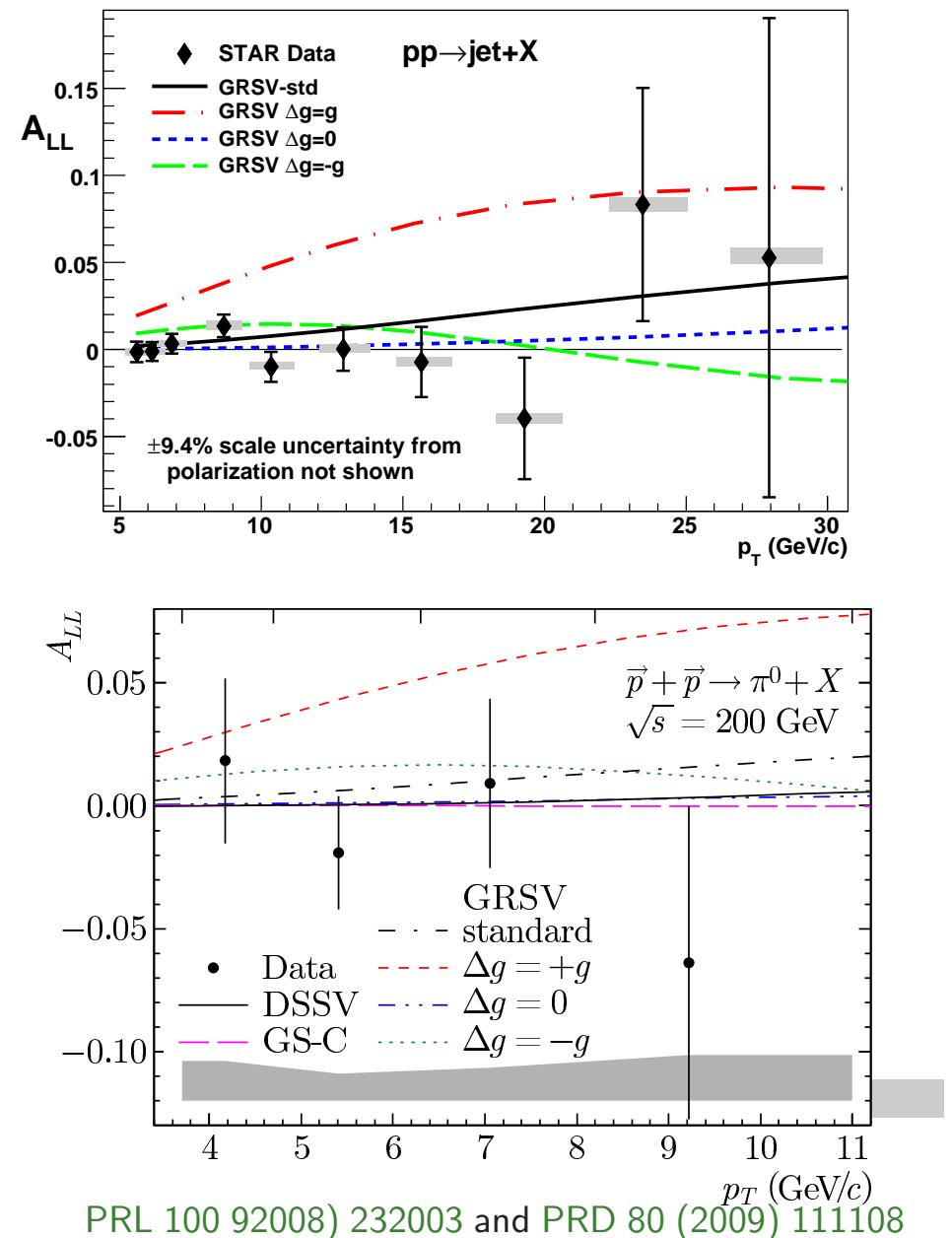
- good description of cross section with NLO QCD
- small asymmetries observed
- favours standard GRSV or smaller gluon distribution

# STAR results

## jet production



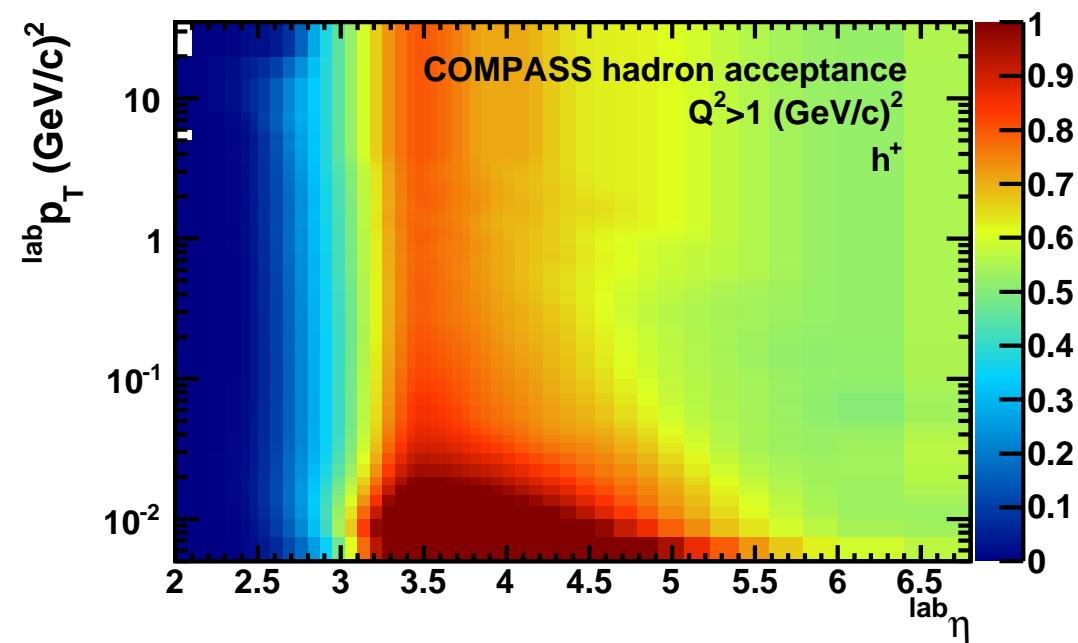
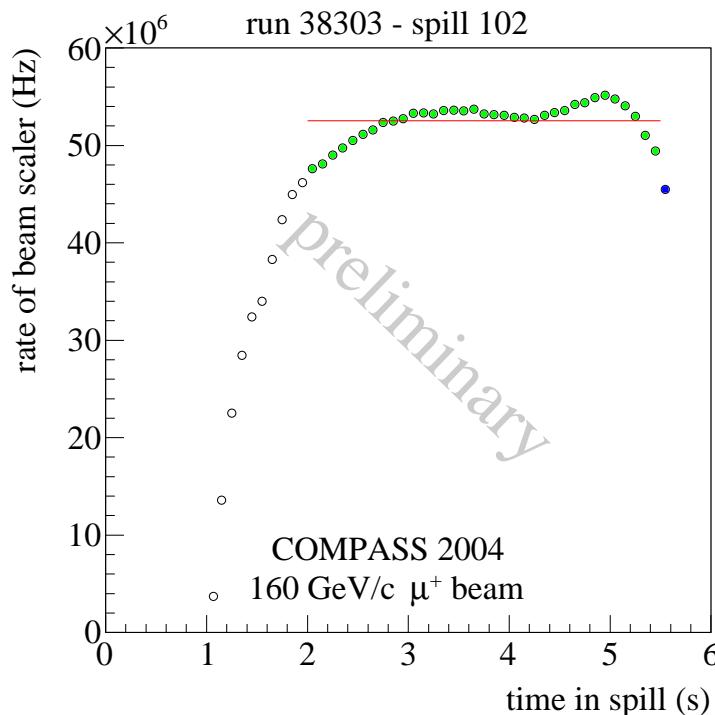
## jet asymmetries



- good description of cross section with NLO QCD
- all RHIC  $A_{LL}$  favour small gluon distribution at  $x$  around 0.1

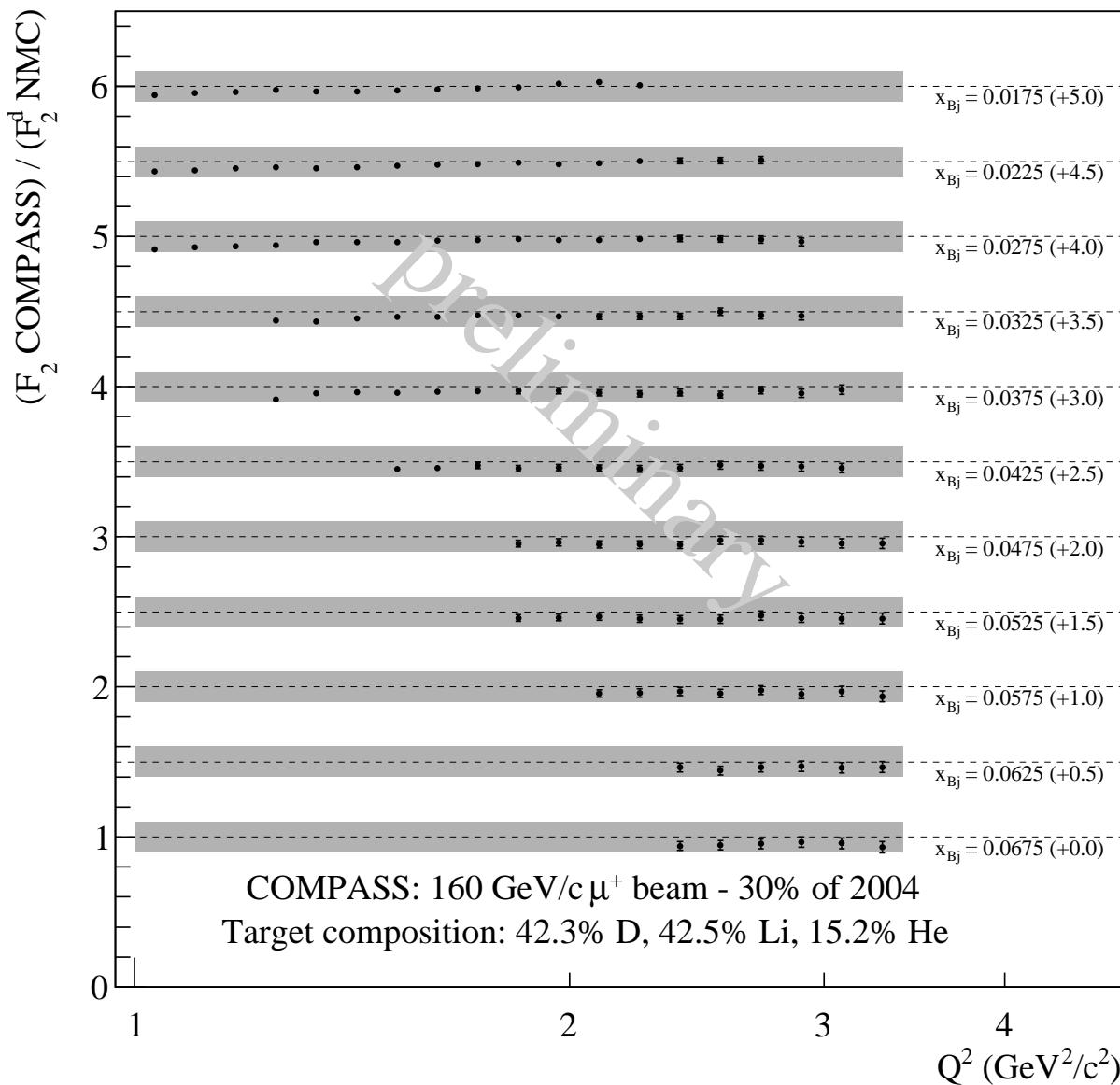
# What about cross sections from COMPASS?

- **first step:** luminosity determination for part of 2004 data  
spill structure, effective beam flux (target dimensions), target density, DAQ and veto deadtimes taken into account,  $\delta L = 10\%$



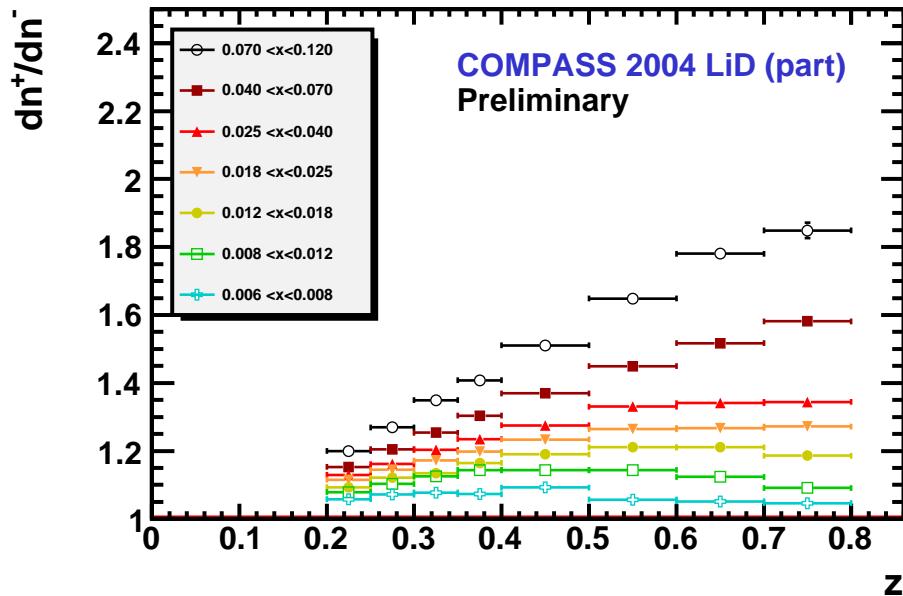
- **second step :** acceptance determination for 2004  
muon acceptance relative flat, between 60 and 80%  
hadron acceptance very similar for  $h^+$  and  $h^-$

# Unpolarised structure function

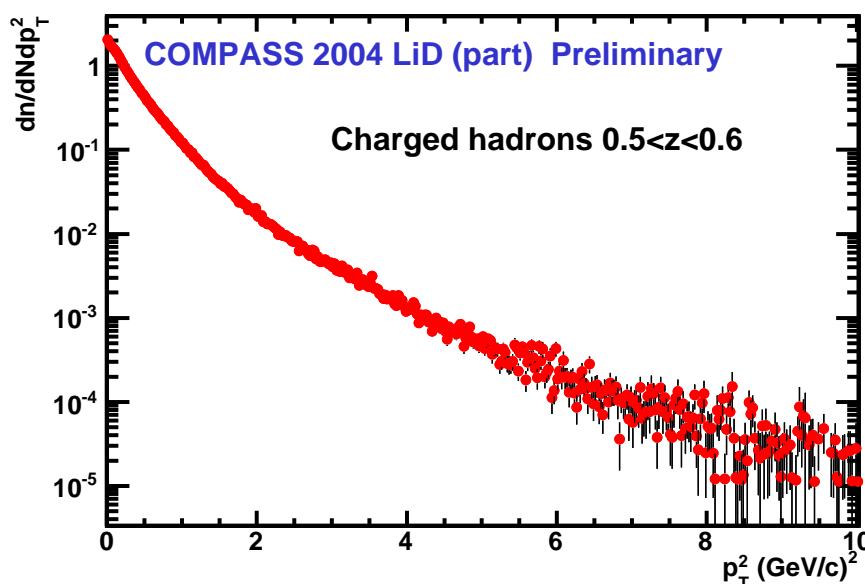


- determination of  $F_2(x, Q^2)$
- part of 2004 LiD data
- one subtrigger
- $Q^2$  from 1 to 3  $(\text{GeV}/c)^2$ ,  
 $0.015 < x < 0.07$
- rather flat acceptance
- low rad. corr. ( $y < 0.5$ )
- shaded areas correpond to 10% luminosity error
- comparison to **NMC  $F_2$  parametrisation**

# SIDIS analysis



- ratio of  $h^+$  and  $h^-$  vs  $z$   
luminosity cancels  
nearly indep. of acceptance corr.



- hadron distribution vs  $p_T$   
acceptance correcterd  
arbitrary normalisation

# Semi-inclusive asymmetries

# The data: HERMES

- Kinematic domain:

$$Q^2 > 1 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$$

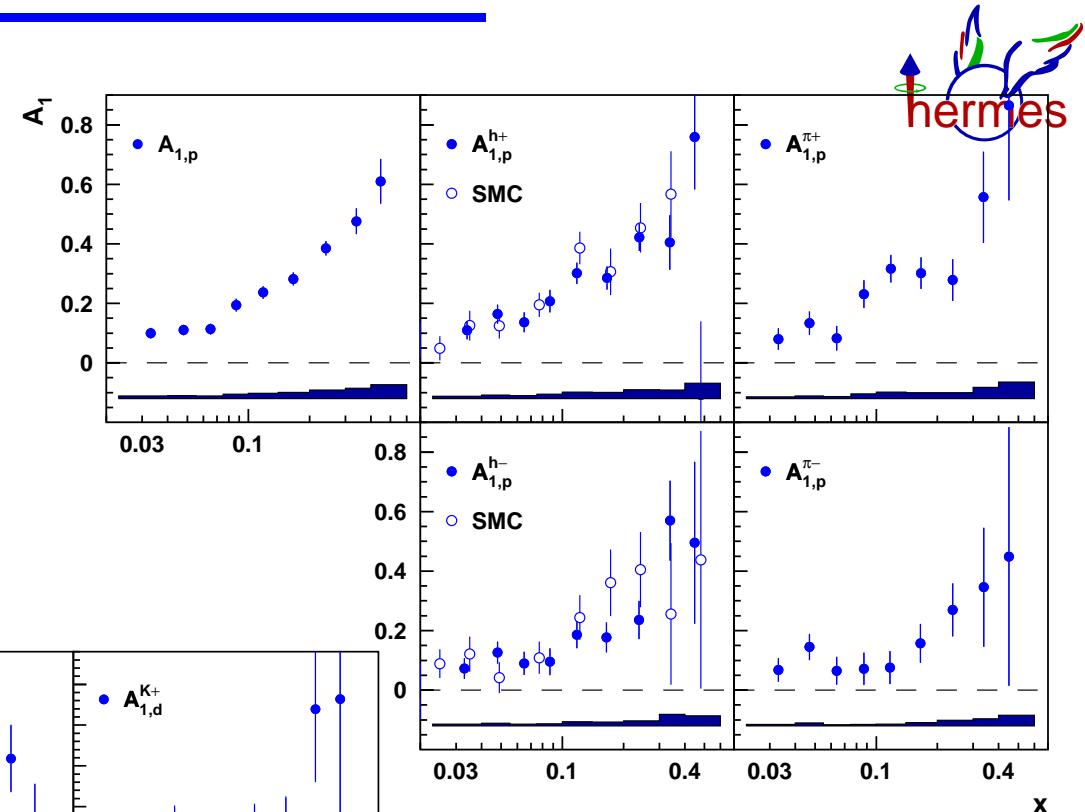
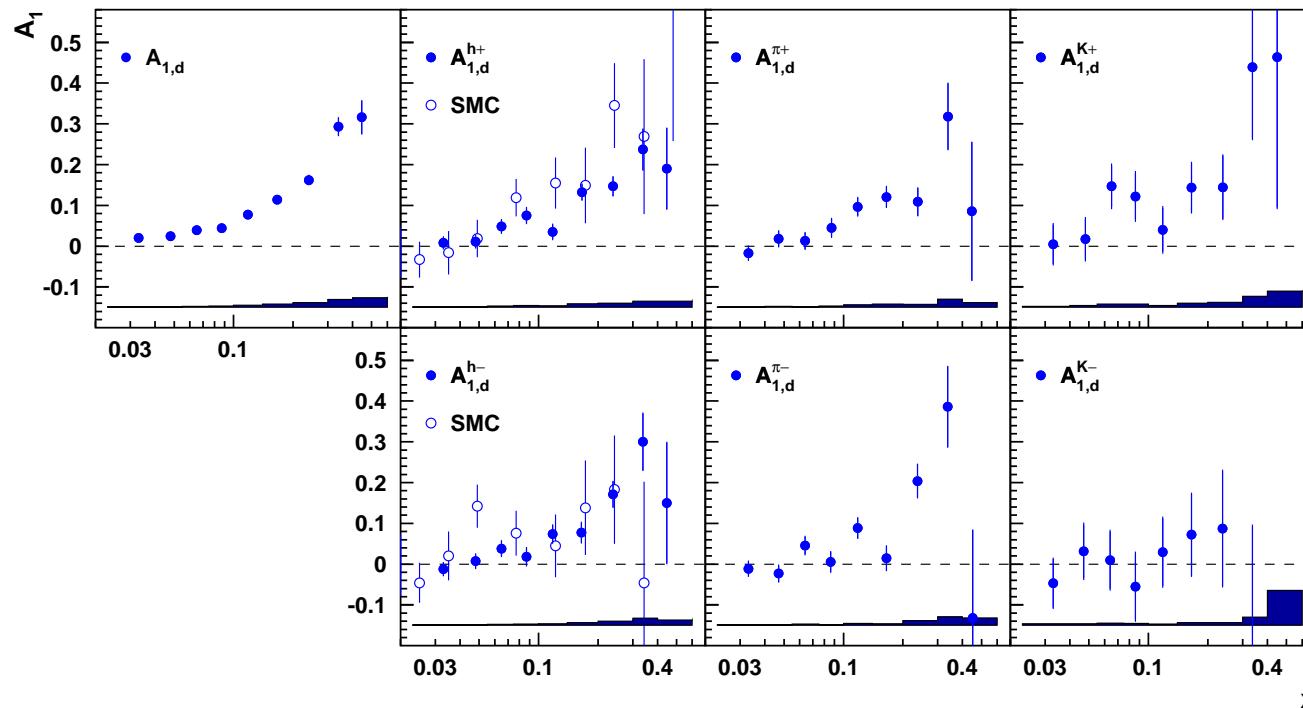
$$W^2 > 10 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

$$y < 0.85$$

$$0.2 < z < 0.8$$

$$0.023 < x < 0.6$$

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- deuteron, proton
- identified kaons and pions
- $h^+$  and  $h^-$  from SMC

# The data: COMPASS



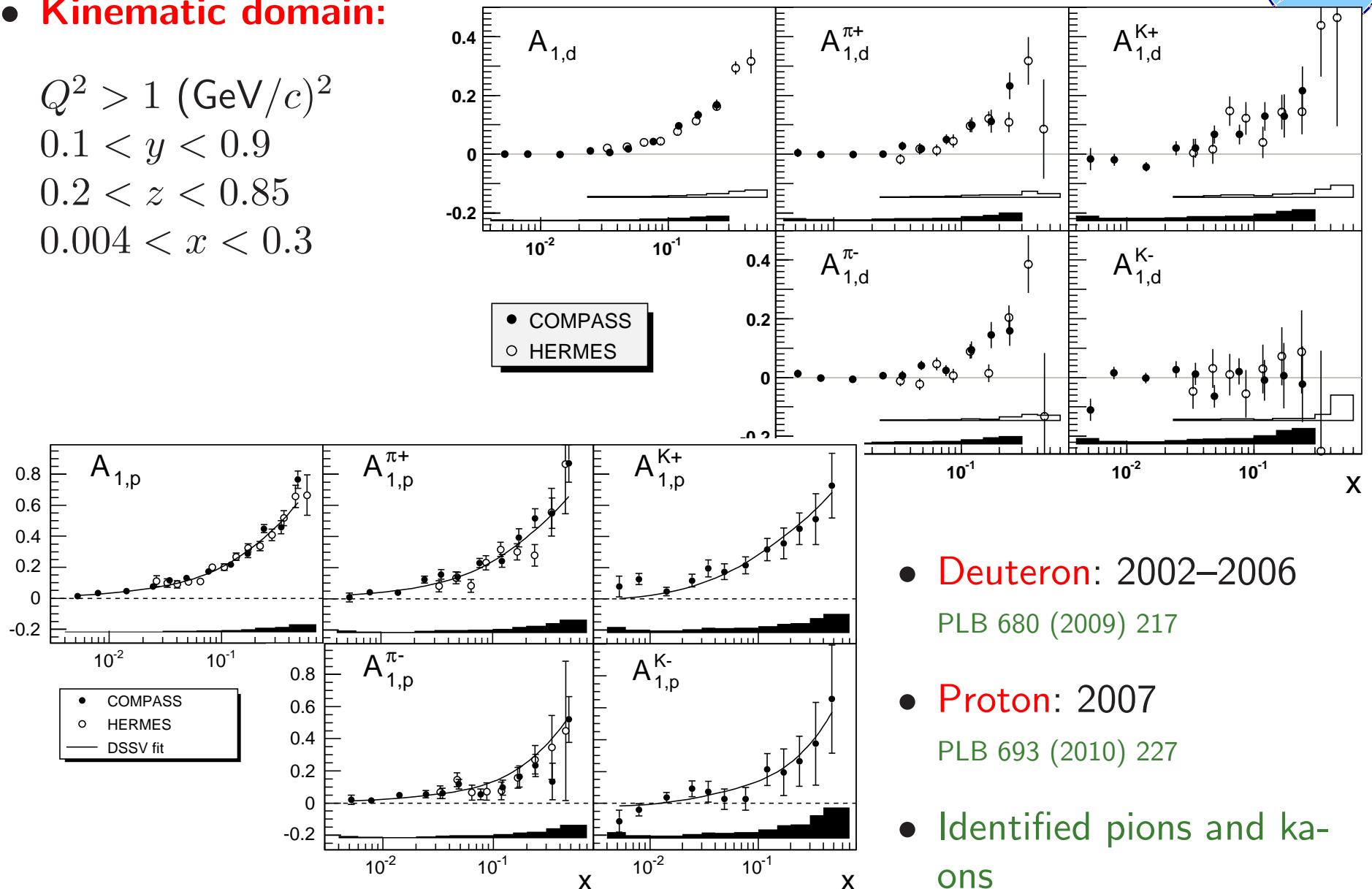
- **Kinematic domain:**

$$Q^2 > 1 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$$

$$0.1 < y < 0.9$$

$$0.2 < z < 0.85$$

$$0.004 < x < 0.3$$



- **Deuteron:** 2002–2006  
PLB 680 (2009) 217
- **Proton:** 2007  
PLB 693 (2010) 227
- **Identified pions and kaons**

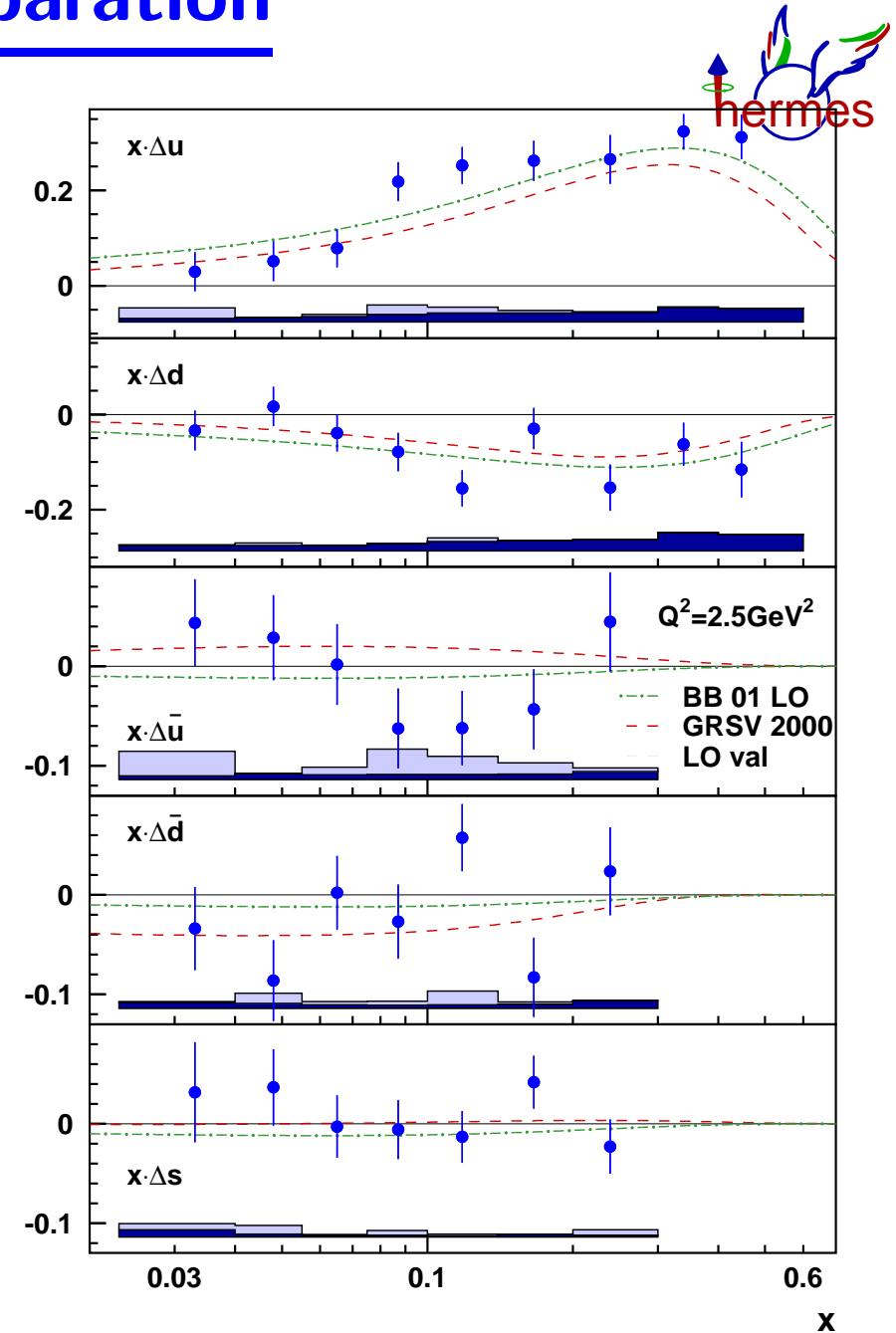
# Flavour separation

- SIDIS  $A_1^h(x) = \sum_q P_q^h \frac{\Delta q(x)}{q(x)}$

and

$$P_q^h(x) = \frac{e_q^2 q(x) \int_{0.2}^{0.8} D_q^h(z) dz}{\sum_{q'} e_{q'}^2 q'(x) \int_{0.2}^{0.8} D_{q'}^h(z) dz}$$

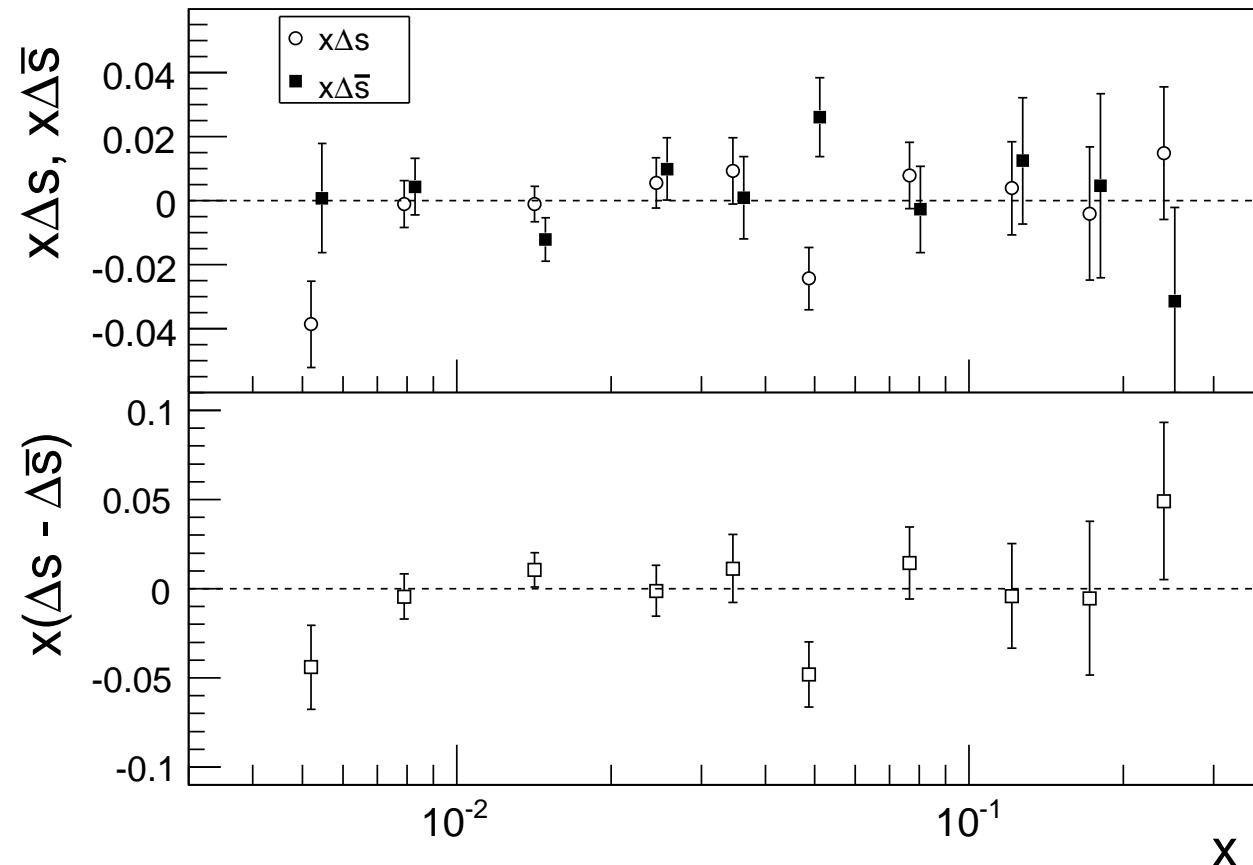
- $D_q^h \neq D_{\bar{q}}^h$   
yields quark and antiquark separation
- measured:  
 $A_1^d, A_{1d}^{h\pm}, A_{1d}^{K^\pm}, A_{1d}^{\pi^\pm}, A_1^p, A_{1p}^{h\pm}, A_{1p}^{\pi^\pm}$
- determined:  $\Delta u, \Delta \bar{u}, \Delta d, \Delta \bar{d}, \Delta s$   
assuming  $\Delta \bar{s} = 0$   
all sea distrib. compatible with 0
- inputs: CTEQ5L unpolarised PDFs,  
FFs from LUND/JETSET tuned to HERMES multiplicities



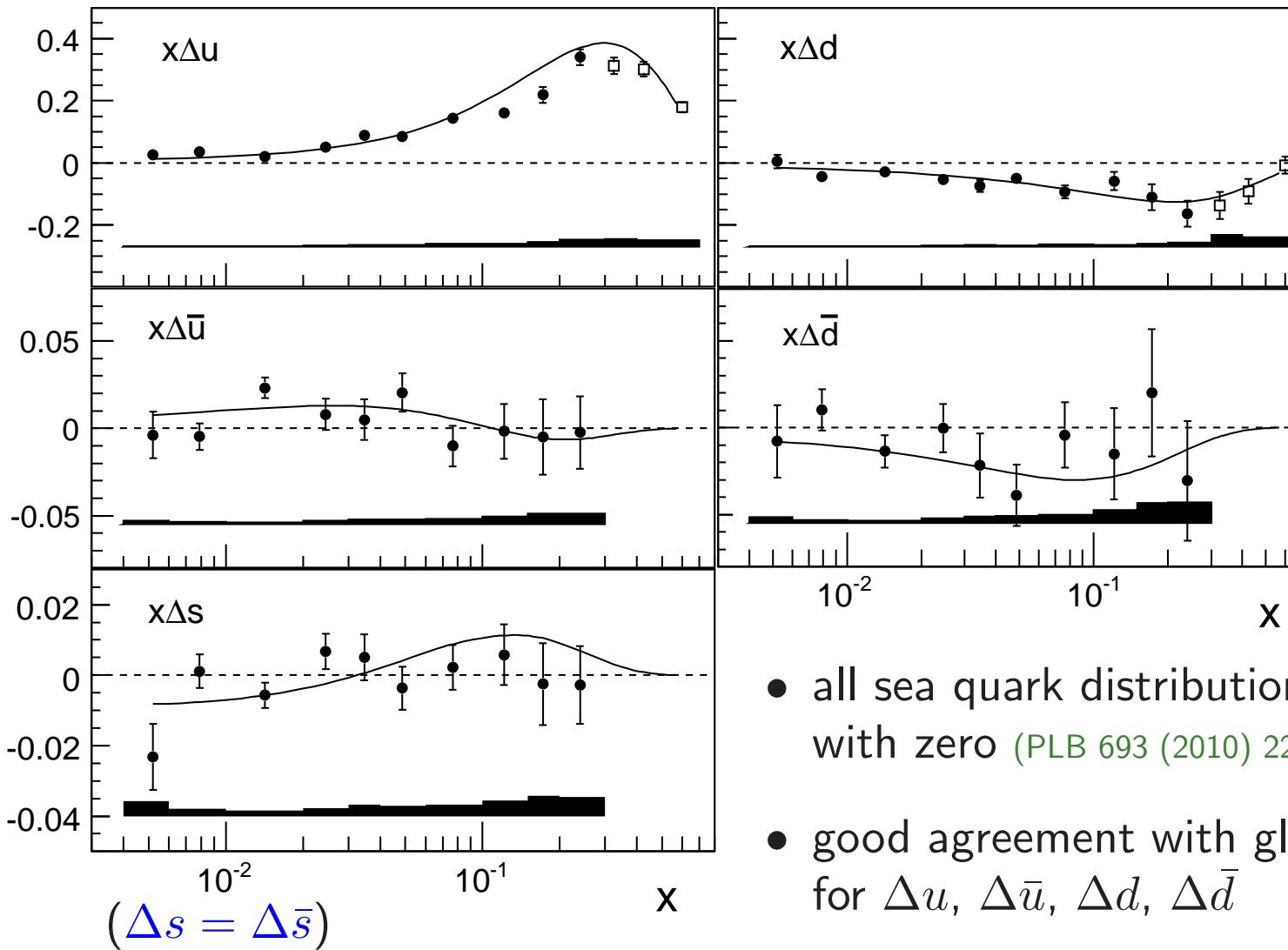
# Strange sea asymmetry



- SIDIS  $A_1^h = \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 (\Delta q(x) \int D_q^h(z) dz)}{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x) \int D_q^h(z) dz}$
- measured:  
 $A_1^d, A_{1d}^{K^\pm}, A_{1d}^{\pi^\pm}, A_1^p, A_{1p}^{K^\pm}, A_{1p}^{\pi^\pm}$
- inputs: MRST04 unpolarised LO PDFs, DSS parametr. of FFs
- determined:  
 $\Delta u, \Delta \bar{u}, \Delta d, \Delta \bar{d}, \Delta s, \Delta \bar{s}$

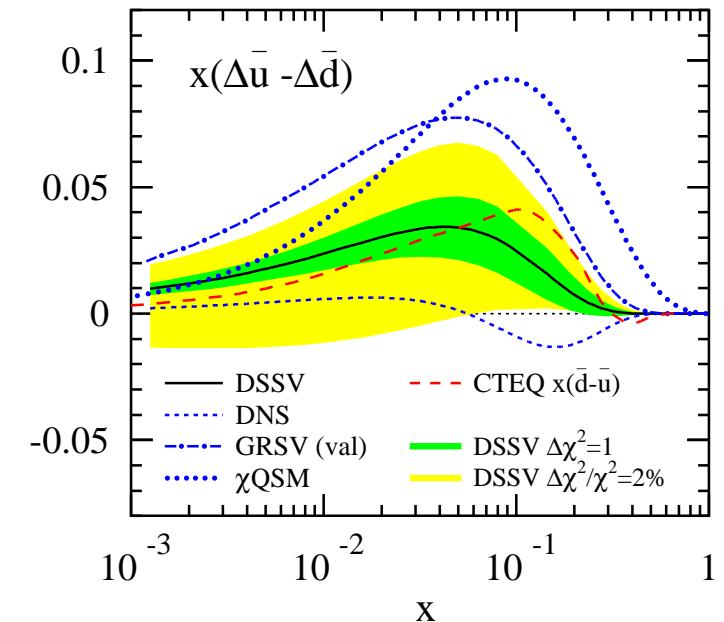
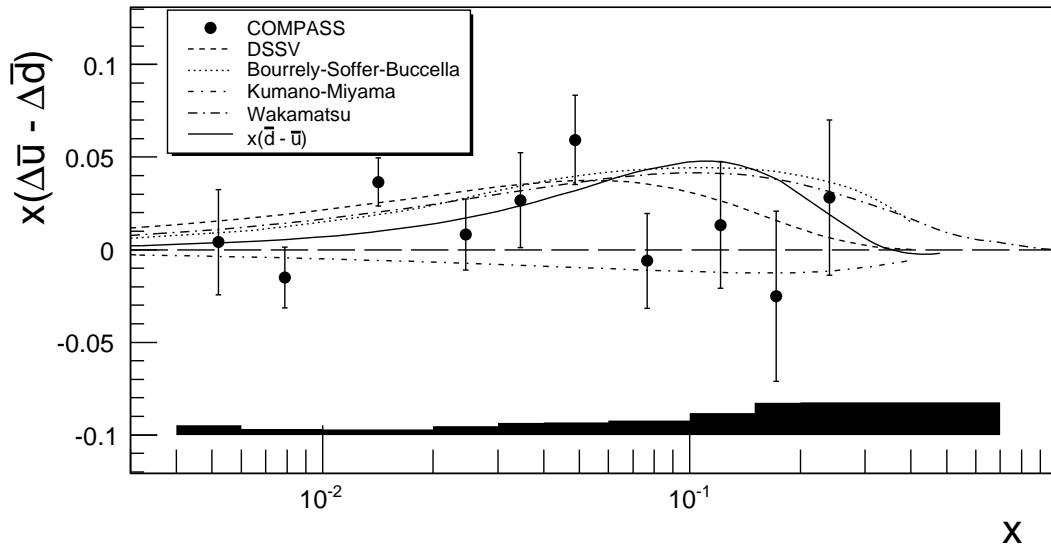


# Flavour separation at $Q^2 = 3$ $(\text{GeV}/c)^2$



- all sea quark distributions compatible with zero (PLB 693 (2010) 227)
- good agreement with global fit for  $\Delta u$ ,  $\Delta \bar{u}$ ,  $\Delta d$ ,  $\Delta \bar{d}$
- **significant discrepancy** with  $\Delta s$  obtained from QCDfits to  $g_1$

# Flavour symmetry breaking



- presently only accessible via SIDIS
- uncertainty from FFs not included
- result at  $Q^2 = 3$   $(\text{GeV}/c)^2$ :

$$\int_{0.004}^{0.3} (\Delta\bar{u} - \Delta\bar{d}) dx = 0.06 \pm 0.04(\text{stat}) \pm 0.02(\text{syst})$$

- compatible with HERMES result:
- $$\int_{0.023}^{0.6} (\Delta\bar{u} - \Delta\bar{d}) dx = 0.048 \pm 0.057(\text{stat}) \pm 0.028(\text{syst})$$
- comparable with effect in unpolarised PDFs ( $\int (\bar{u} - \bar{d}) dx = -0.118 \pm 0.012$ )

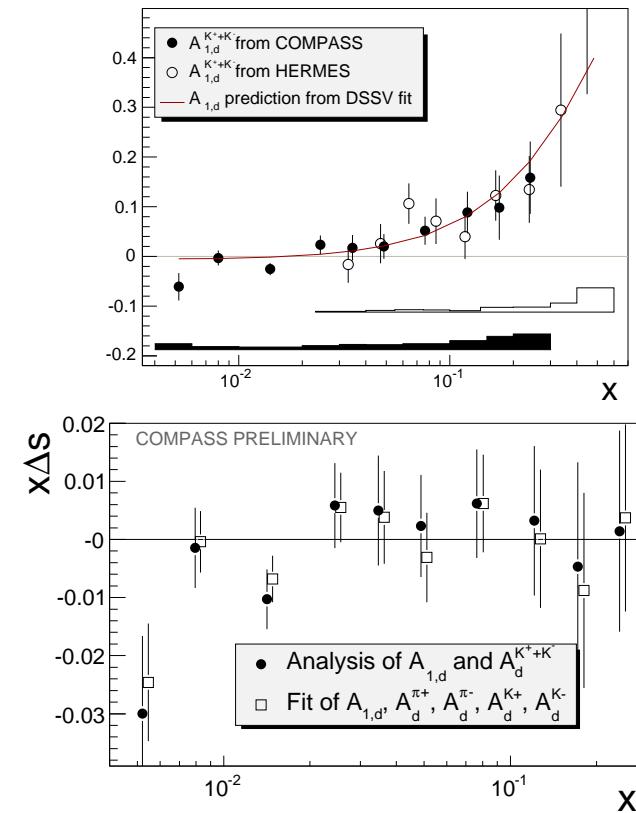
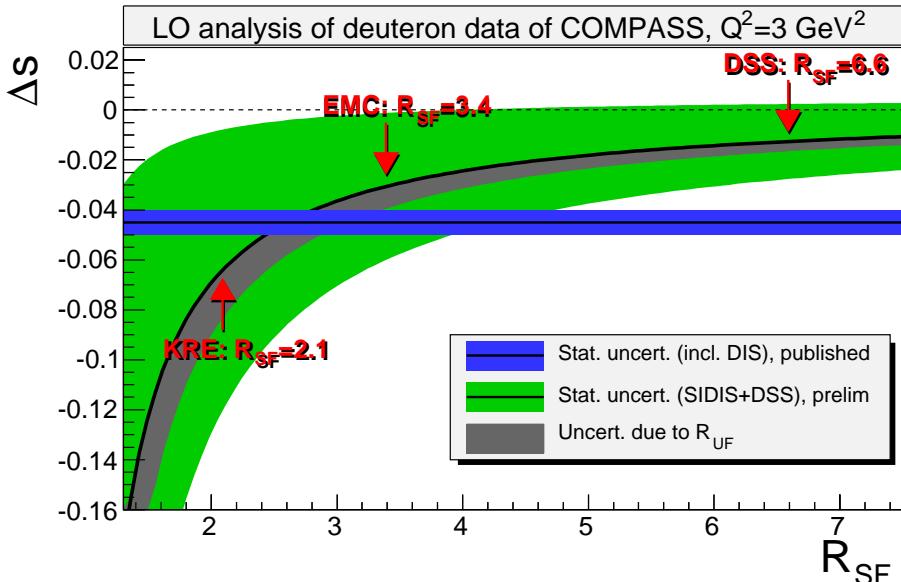
# Dependence on FFs

- $K^\pm$  asymmetries from deuteron data

$$\frac{\Delta s}{s} = A_1^d + \left( A_1^{K^+ + K^-} - A_1^d \right) \frac{Q/s + \alpha}{\alpha - 0.8}$$

$$\bullet Q = u + \bar{u} + d + \bar{d}, \alpha = \frac{2R_{UF} + 2R_{SF}}{3R_{UF} + 2}$$

$$\bullet R_{UF} = \frac{\int D_d^{K^+}(z)dz}{\int D_u^{K^+}(z)dz}, R_{SF} = \frac{\int D_{\bar{s}}^{K^+}(z)dz}{\int D_u^{K^+}(z)dz}$$



- large dependence on  $R_{SF}$ , slight dependence on  $R_{UF}$  for  $\Delta s$
- determination of  $R_{SF}$  from data (hadron multiplicities) on the way

# Strange quark distributions

for a deuteron target

$$s(x) \int D_s^K(z) dz \approx Q(x) [5 \frac{d^2 N^K(x)}{d^2 N^{\text{DIS}}(x)} - \int D_Q^K(z) dz]$$



- $\int D_{s,Q}^k(z) dz$  from DSS
- shape of  $s(x)$  is incompatible with recent LO parametrisations

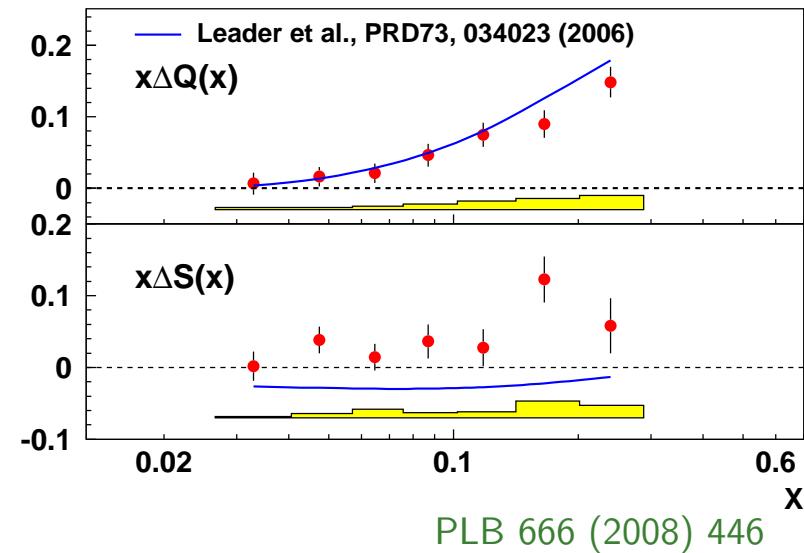
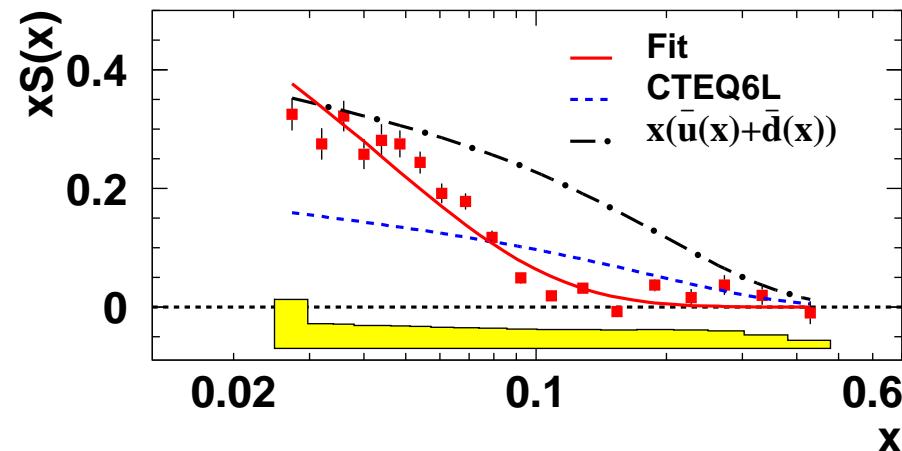
similar approach for

$$A_{\parallel,d}(x) \frac{d^2 N^{\text{DIS}}(x)}{dx dQ^2}$$

and

$$A_{\parallel,d}^K(x) \frac{d^2 N^K(x)}{dx dQ^2}$$

- allow to determine  $\Delta Q(x)$  and  $\Delta s(x)$
- $\Delta Q$  is compatible with the  $g_1$  data
- $\Delta s$  is compatible with the result from the other measurements



## Summary of results

- in the last 25 years a lot of effort to measure polarised PDFs at SLAC, CERN, DESY, JLAB and RHIC
- precise results for  $A_1^{\text{p},\text{d},\text{n}}$  available, although in a limited kinematic range allow for the determination of  $\Delta\Sigma$
- precise determination of  $\Delta u$  and  $\Delta d$  in NLO QCD analyses
- gluon polarisation  $\Delta G$  measured in SIDIS and  $pp$  compatible with 0 for  $x_g \sim 0.1$
- SIDIS results from identified hadrons from COMPASS and HERMES full flavour separation of polarised PDFs study of  $\Delta\bar{u} - \Delta\bar{d}$  and  $\Delta s - \Delta\bar{s}$
- still limited knowledge on strangeness and gluon polarisation

# To come

- hadron multiplicities from COMPASS will shed more light on strange quark distribution and fragmentation
- COMPASS 2011: data taking with longitudinally polarised  $\text{NH}_3$  at small  $x$ , balance  $p$  and  $d$  statistics for flavour separation
- more data from JLAB, especially in the valence region
- very promising prospects for  $\Delta\bar{u}$ ,  $\Delta\bar{d}$  from  $W$  production at RHIC larger range in  $x_g$  with higher energy, direct photons

- COMPASS II:
  - measurement of unpolarised DIS off hydrogen
  - detailed study of quark distributions and fragmentation

