

# The EMC PVDIS Experiment

A PAC 42 proposal

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# Motivation

To constraint flavor-dependent nuclear medium modifications on nuclear parton distribution functions by using Parity-Violating Deep Inelastic Scattering (PVDIS)

# Introduction

Parity violating asymmetry from the DIS electron quark scattering,

$$A_{PV} = \frac{\sigma_R - \sigma_L}{\sigma_R + \sigma_L} = -\frac{G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} \left[ a_2(x) + \frac{1 - (1 - y)^2}{1 + (1 - y)^2} a_3(x) \right]$$

Where  $y = \frac{\nu}{E}$  and

$$a_2(x) = g_A^e \frac{F_1^{\gamma Z}}{F_1^\gamma} = 2 \frac{\sum_i C_{1i} e_i (q_i + \bar{q}_i)}{\sum_i e_i^2 (q_i + \bar{q}_i)}$$

$$a_3(x) = g_V^e \frac{F_3^{\gamma Z}}{2F_1^\gamma} = 2 \frac{\sum_i C_{2i} e_i (q_i - \bar{q}_i)}{\sum_i e_i^2 (q_i + \bar{q}_i)}.$$

Expand  $a_1$  about the limit  $u_A = d_A$ ,

$$a_1 \simeq \frac{9}{5} - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W - \frac{12 u_A^+ - d_A^+}{25 u_A^+ + d_A^+}$$

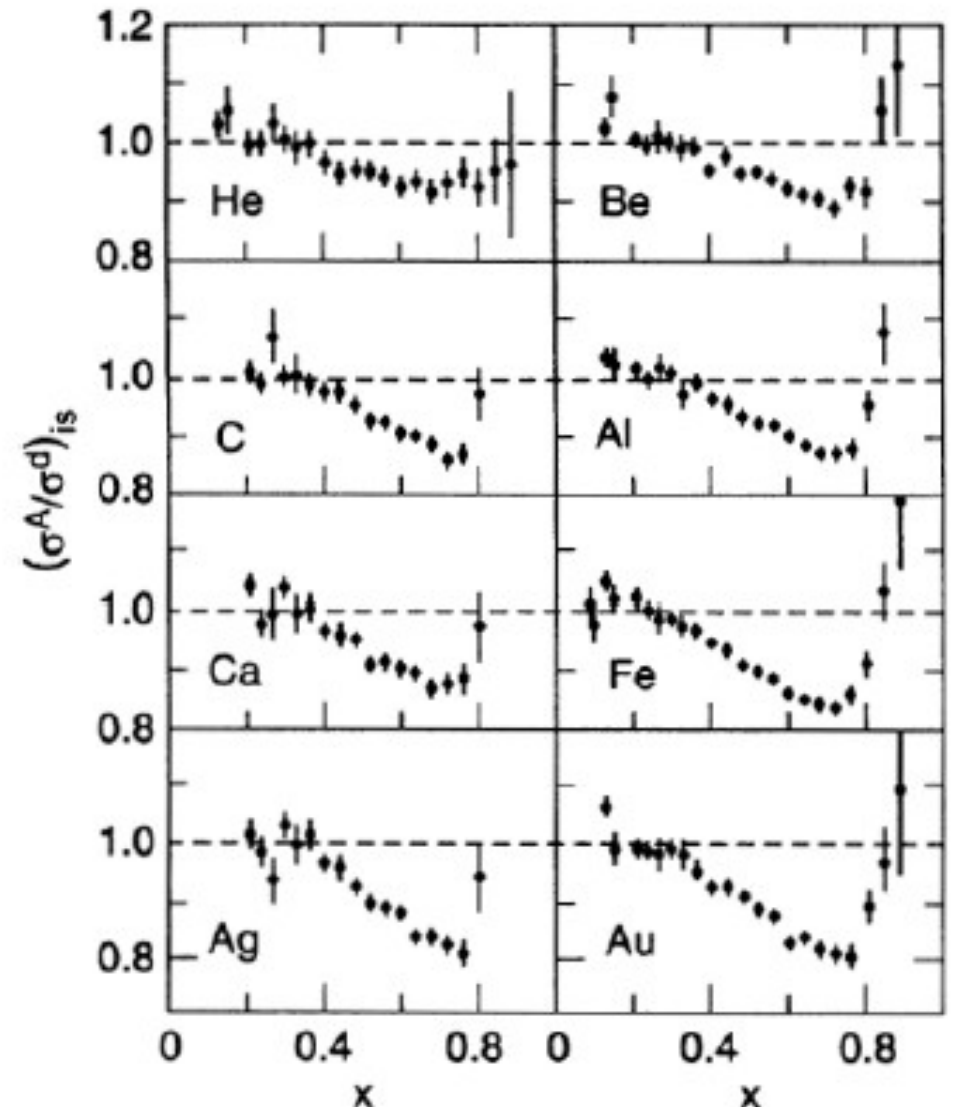
PVDIS asymmetry is a direct measurement of differences in the quark flavors

The  $a_3(x)$  term only contributes about 5% to the asymmetry at our kinematics

# Nuclear Modification

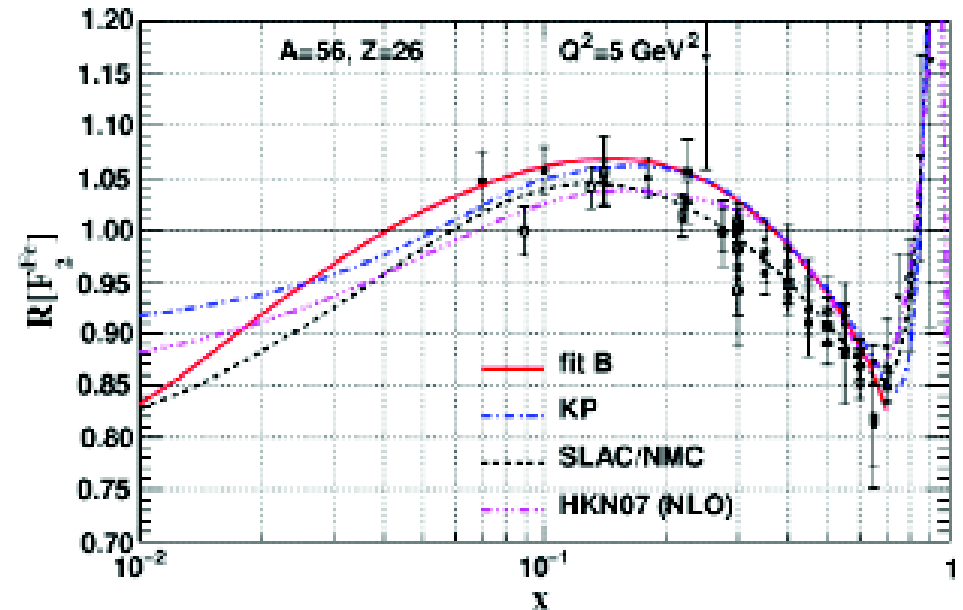
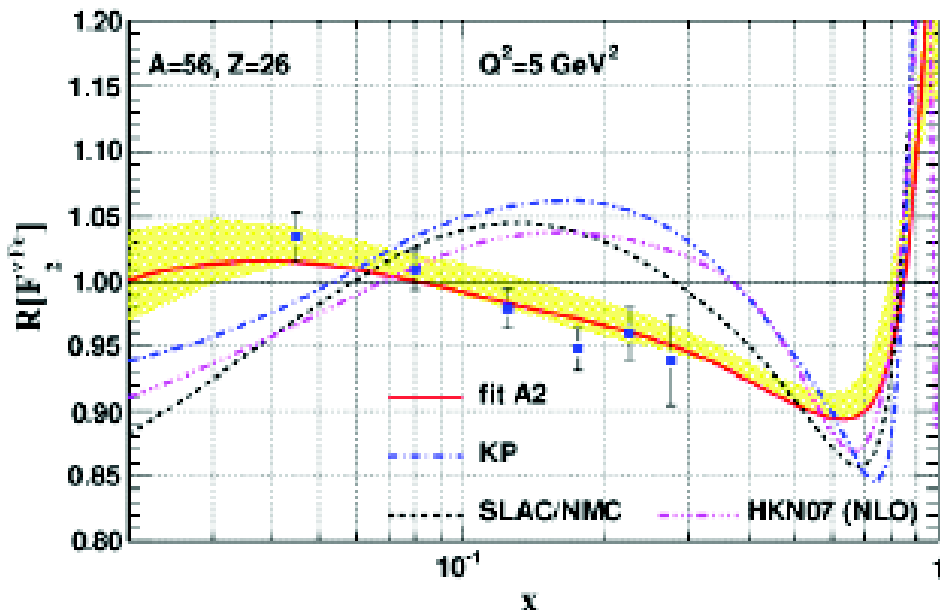
First observed by European Muon Collaboration EMC effect provided first direct evidence for modifications in quark distributions in nucleons bound in a nucleus.

- A suppression in the range  $0.3 < x < 0.8$  with a minimum around  $x = 0.65$  dubbed the “EMC effect”
- An enhancement attributed to Fermi motion for  $x > 0.9$
- A strong suppression for  $x < 0.1$  from nuclear “shadowing”
- a small enhancement from  $0.1 < x < 0.3$  or “anti-shadowing”



# Potential Flavor Dependence Effects

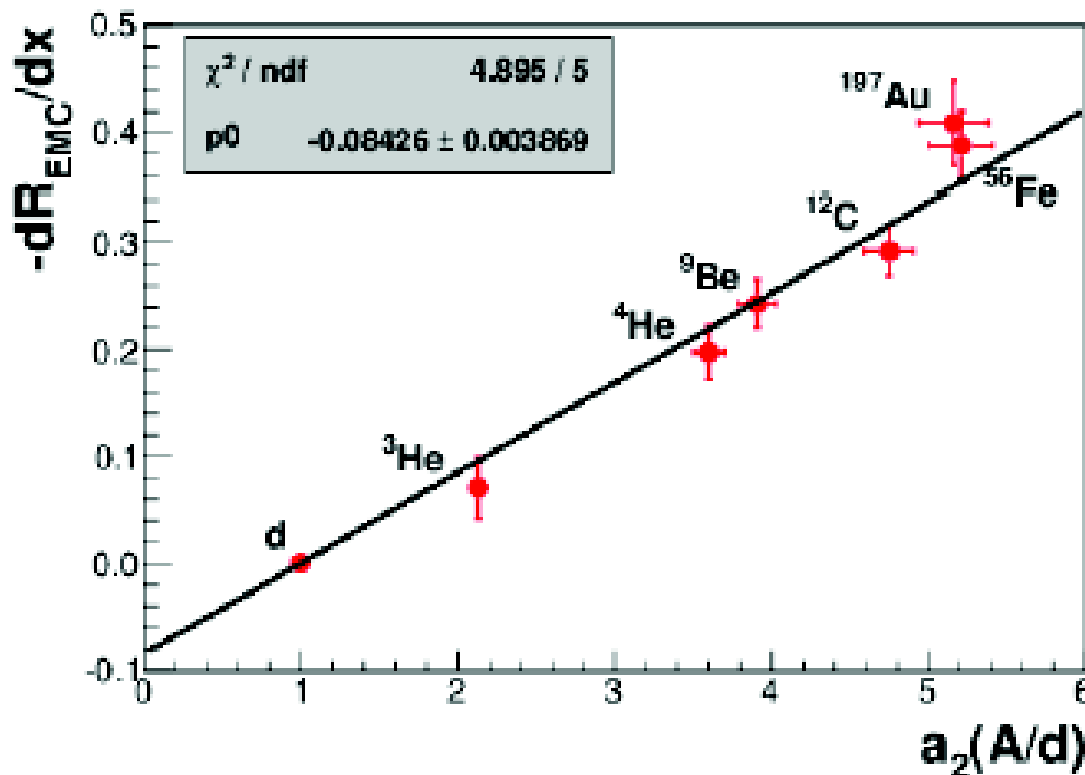
- Form factor ratio, R discrepancies
  - Disagreement in form factor ratios  $F_2^A/F_2^D$  between charged lepton with Drell-Yan data (right plot) and charged current neutrino scattering (left plot) – arxiv:1208.6541 (2013)
  - **Red solid line is a fit to data** while others are different model calculations



# Potential Flavor Dependence Effects

## Short Range Correlations (SRC)

- The empirical relationship between the short range correlation between nucleon in the nucleus and the slope of the EMC effect
  - PhysRevC.85.047301 (2012)
- Essentially ties nuclear physics with quark physics through empirical relationship

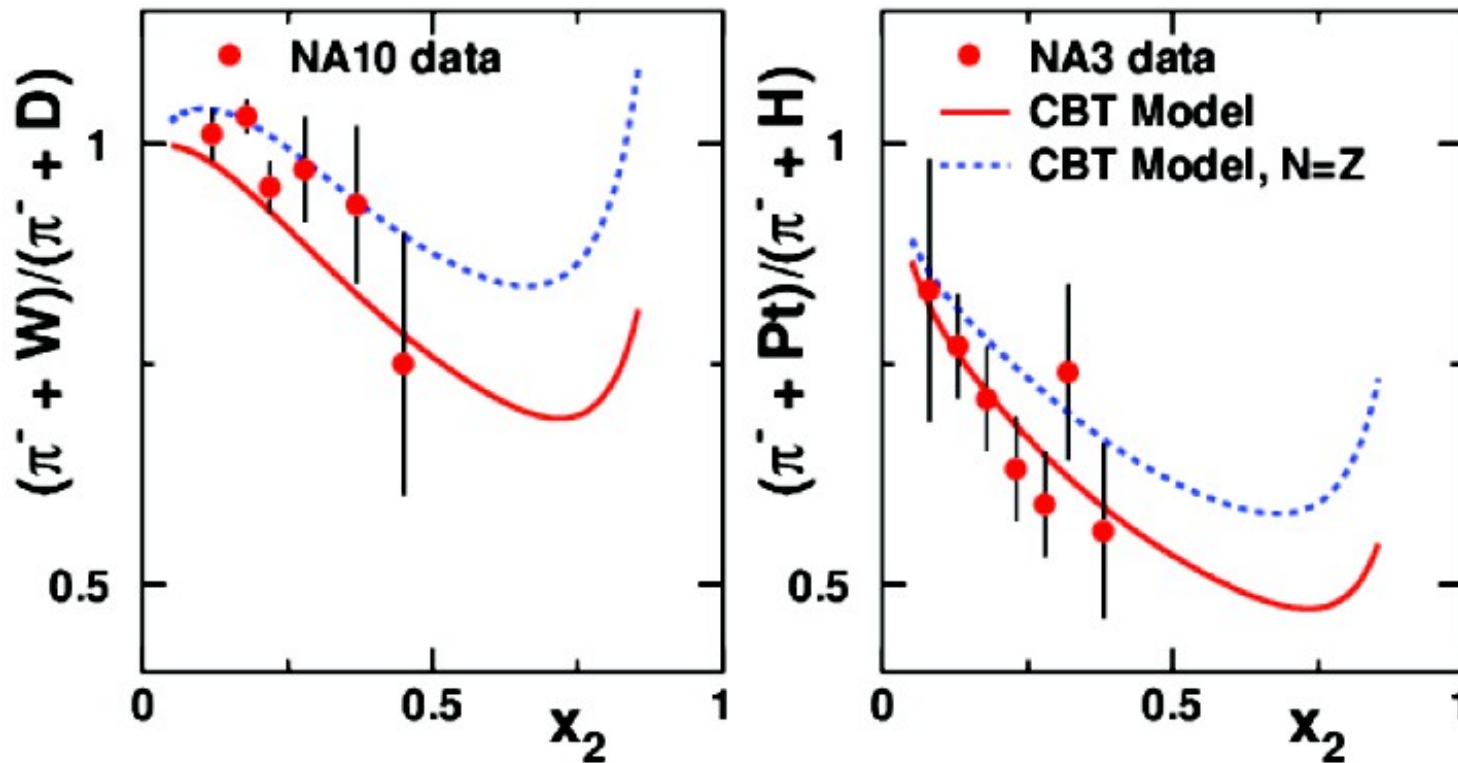


- The EMC slope is fitted against the SRC scaling factor  $a_2(A/d)$
- Au and Fe deviation due to flavor dependence?

# Potential Flavor Dependence Effects

## Pionic Drell-Yan processes

- Comparison of data with calculations using CBT model
- Existing data favors (weakly) a flavor dependence of the CBT model
  - See D. Dutta, J. C. Peng, I. C. Cloet and D. Gaskell, Phys. Rev. C 83, 042201 (2011)

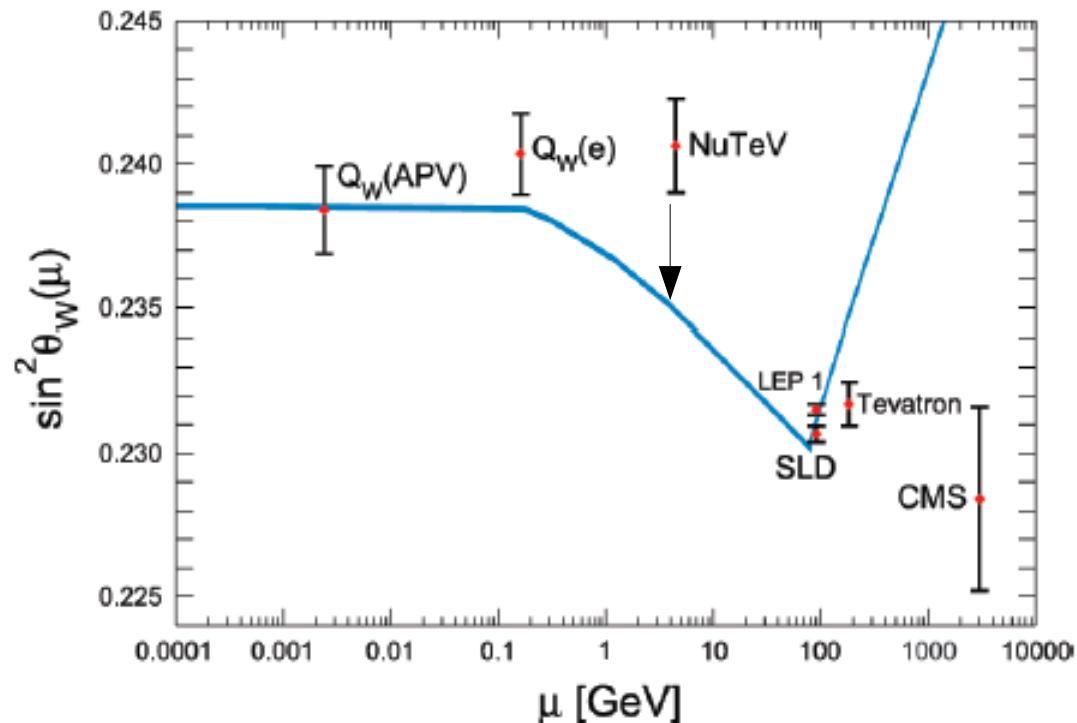




# Potential Flavor Dependence Effects

## NuTeV anomaly

- A correction by a mean isovector field from the surrounding nucleus could account for remaining discrepancy — see PRL.102.252301 (2009)

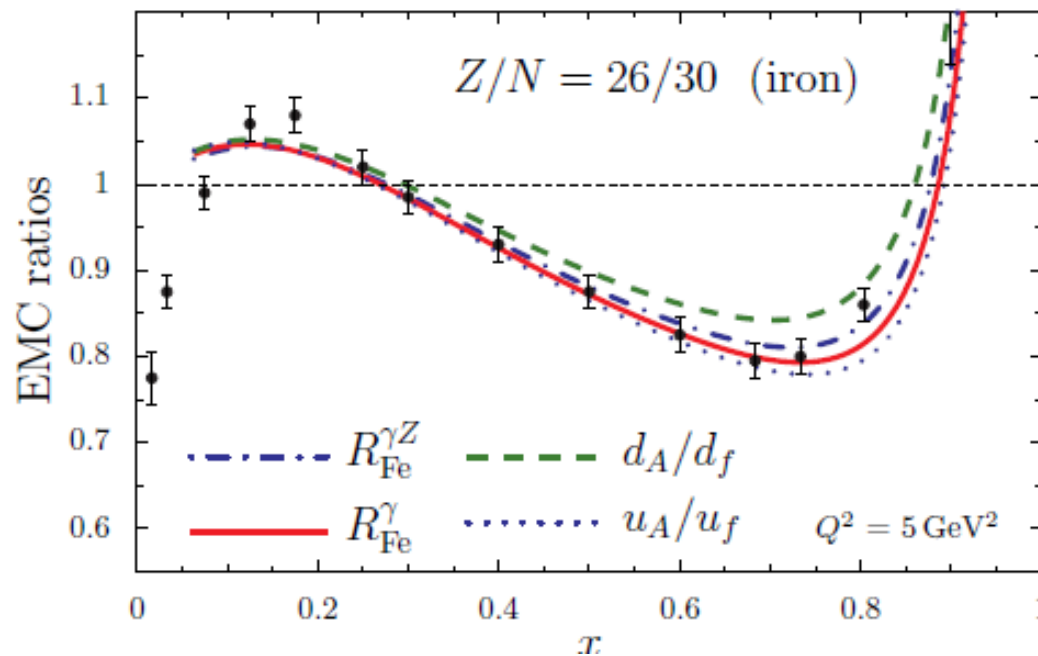


# Flavor Dependent Model Calculations

- A calculation based on Nambu-Jona-Lasinio Model describes the medium modification to quark distribution
  - Cloet-Bentz-Thomas (CBT) model - *I. C. Cloet, W. Bentz and A. W. Thomas, Phys. Rev. Lett. 109, 182301 (2012)*
- An isovector mean field is introduced and the free parameters are constrained to reproduce experimental observables
- CBT model makes a novel prediction
  - Distinct nuclear modifications for u and d quarks in  $N \neq Z$  nuclei
- So far model has been successful in predicting quark distributions for EMC effect
- Other models
  - Higher order QCD evolution, strange sea asymmetry, charge symmetry violation, or nuclear shadowing

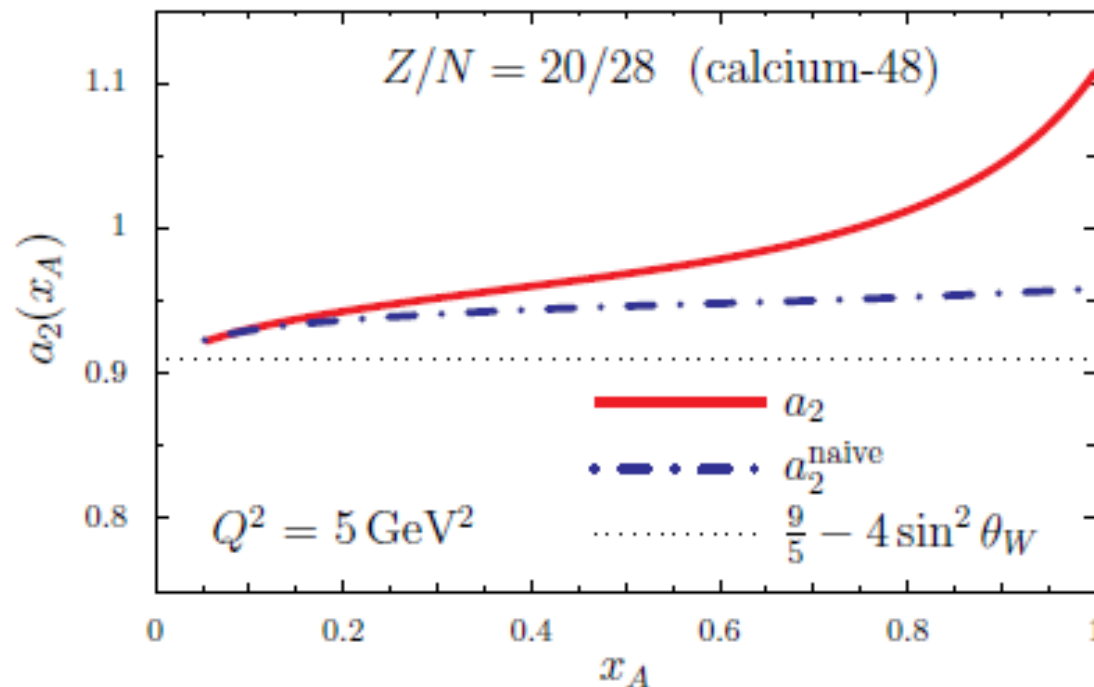
# EMC Predictions from CBT

- EMC effect can be predicted through isovector parton distribution modifications
  - Flavor dependent models can predict isovector field when an excess of neutrons or protons presents in the nucleus

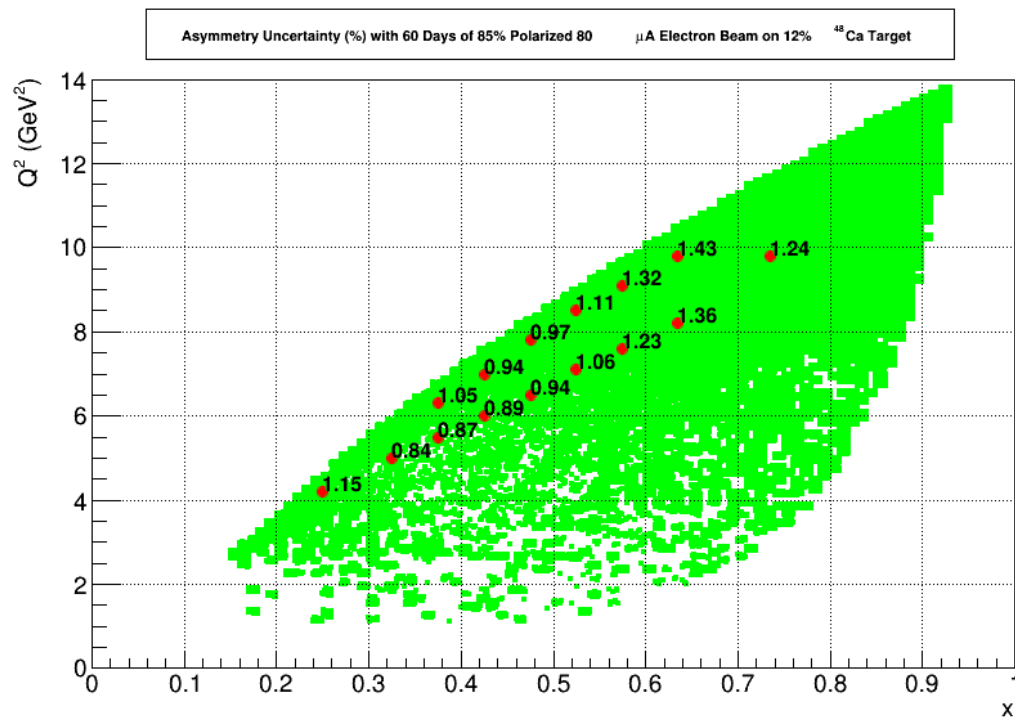


# PVDIS $a_2(x)$ from CBT

- CBT Model prediction for PVDIS  $a_2(x)$  term for  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  is shown here
  - see PRL.109.182301 (2012)
- The effect clearly show an enhancement over naive  $a_2(x)$  calculation
- The difference is on the order of 1 – 5% for  $0.2 < x < 0.7$ 
  - A model estimation like this can be tested experimentally to a few sigma



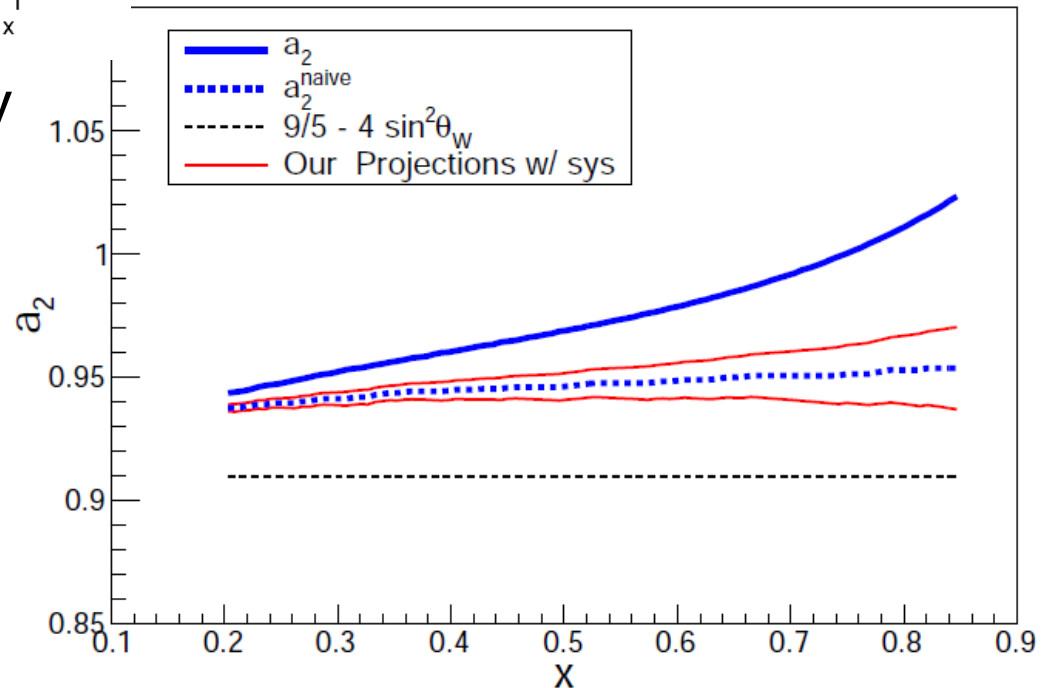
# Figure of Merits



- Propose a 12%  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  target in SoLID PVDIS apparatus
- 11 GeV, 80  $\mu$ A, longitudinally polarized electron beam
- From 60 days 0.8% to 1.1% statistical uncertainty for  $0.2 < x < 0.7$

$a_2$  from CBT,  $^{48}\text{Ca}$   $x/X_0=12\%$ , 60 days, 80 $\mu$ A

- Interpolate the form between any isovector EMC model and naive prediction
- Estimate the reach of our measurement for the model
- Our overall sensitivity to CBT model is over  $4\sigma$



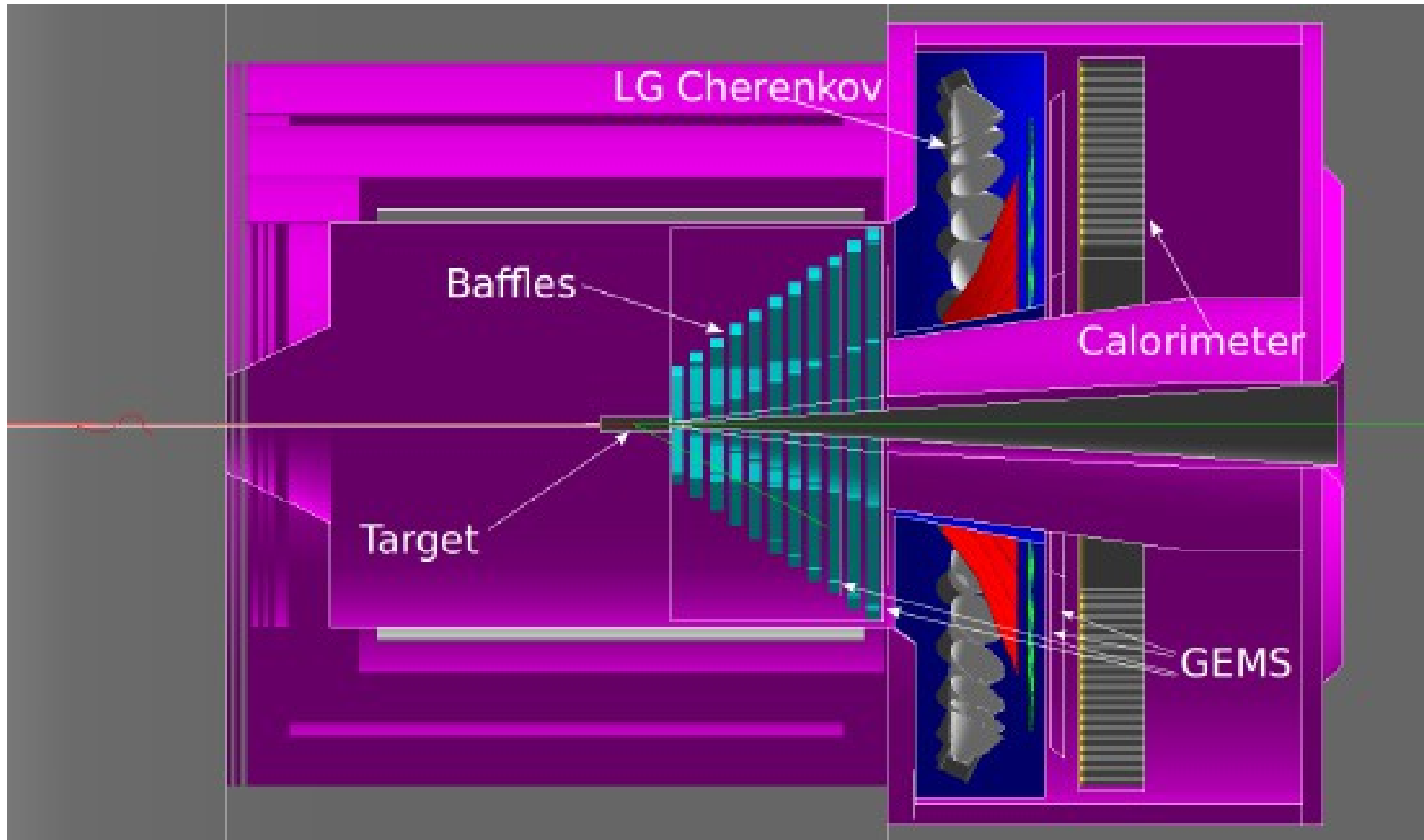
# Experimental Design

- Propose to use the SoLID PVDIS apparatus by replacing the deuterium target ( $\text{LD}_2$ ) with 12%  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  target
- A counting mode PVES experiment
- Less demanding specs than PVDIS with  $\text{LD}_2$ 
  - Solid target with excellent thermal qualities
  - Better acceptance and collimation with the thin target
  - Generating lower rates due to less total mass in the target

# SoLID PVDIS Apparatus

- Large acceptance, high luminosity spectrometer and detector system
  - Large azimuthal acceptance with segmented to 30 sectors to handle high trigger rates
  - scattering angles from 22-35°, and momentum acceptance from 1 to 7 GeV
- PVDIS configuration
  - A 1.5 T solenoidal magnet
  - Set of lead collimators, “baffles” to block line of sight photons and low momentum particles
  - High luminosity tracking GEM detectors
  - A light gas Cherenkov detector for pion rejection
  - EM calorimeter (preshower+shower) as primary trigger and for further pion rejection

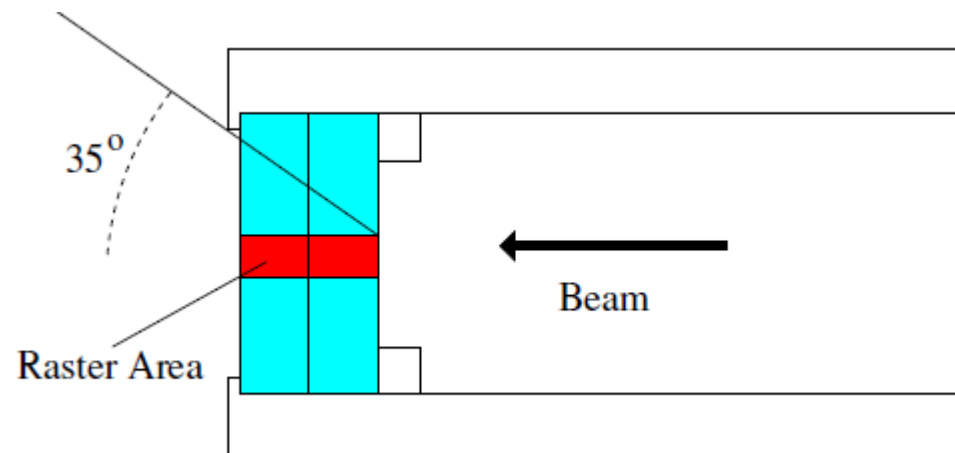
# SoLID PVDIS Apparatus





# $^{48}\text{Ca}$ Target

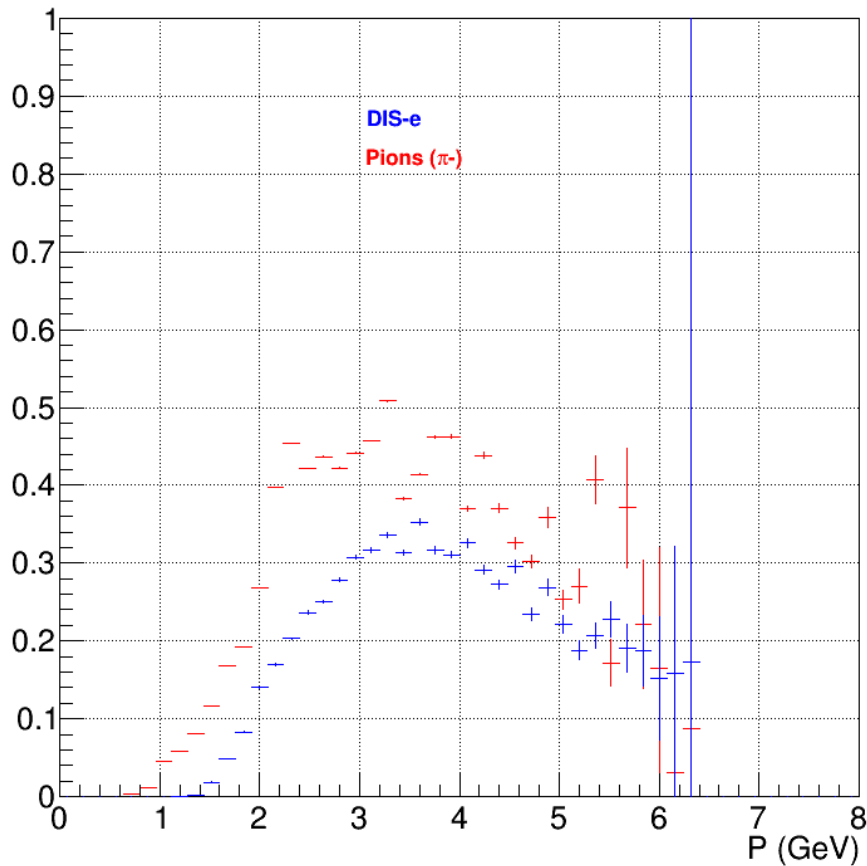
- Two CREX style  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  disks housed in vacuum enclosure
  - 2.4 g/cm<sup>2</sup> → 12% radiator
  - Helps to do better tracking for radiative corrections
  - Mounted in a frame with that allow up to 35° scattered electrons with 4 x 4 mm<sup>2</sup> raster
- Calcium has good thermal properties
  - 840° C melting point and a high thermal conductivity of 200 W/m/K
  - At 80 μA, power deposit on the target is about 600 W
- Auxiliary targets (C and Al) for calibrations and to cross check radiative corrections



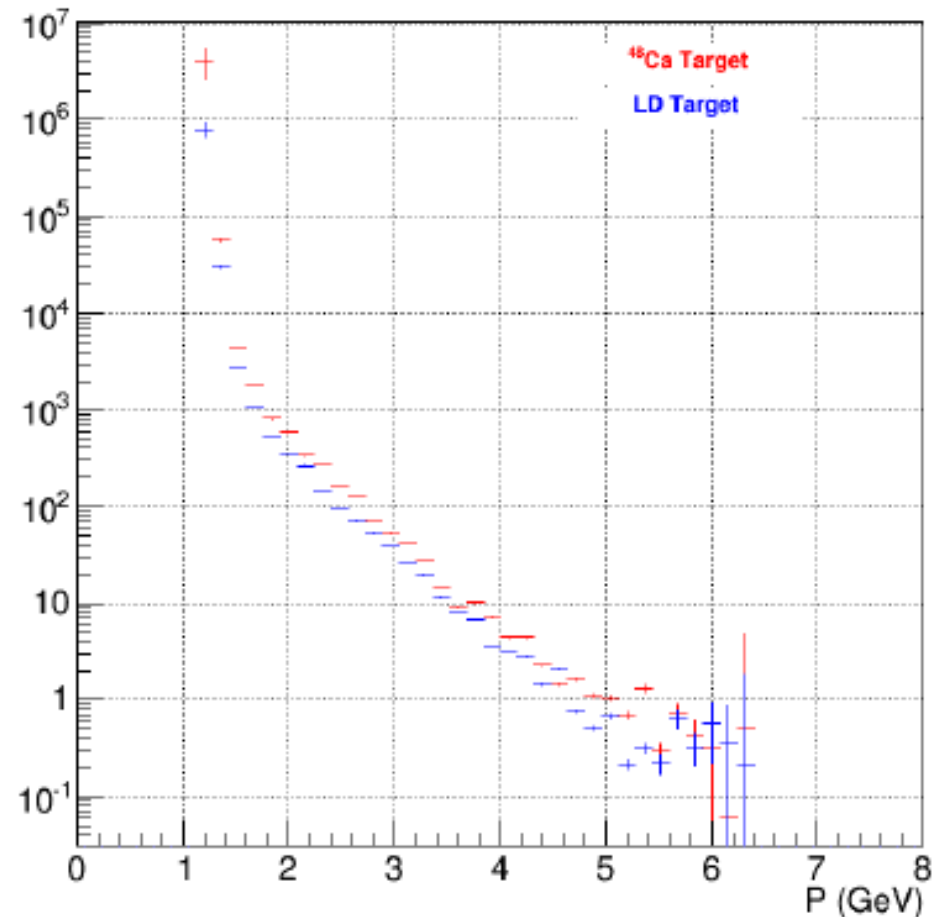
# Momentum Acceptance and Rates

Momentum range (GeV)	$^{48}\text{Ca}$ (kHz)	$\text{LD}_2$ (kHz)
DIS Total	228	441
$W > 2.0 \text{ GeV}, x_{Bjk} > 0.20$	207	417
$W > 2.0 \text{ GeV}, x_{Bjk} > 0.55$	15	33
$W > 2.0 \text{ GeV}, x_{Bjk} > 0.65$	3	9

Momentum Acceptance for  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  Target



$\pi^-$  to  $e^-$  Ratio for  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  and LD Target

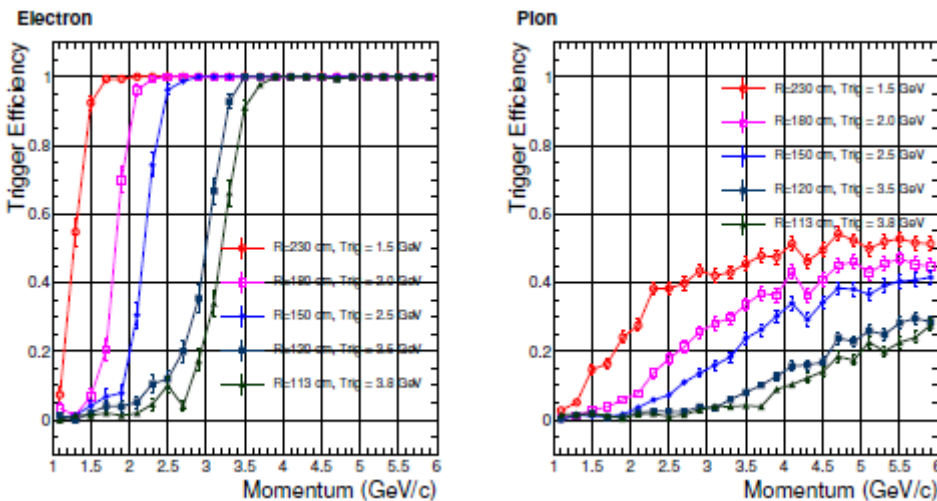
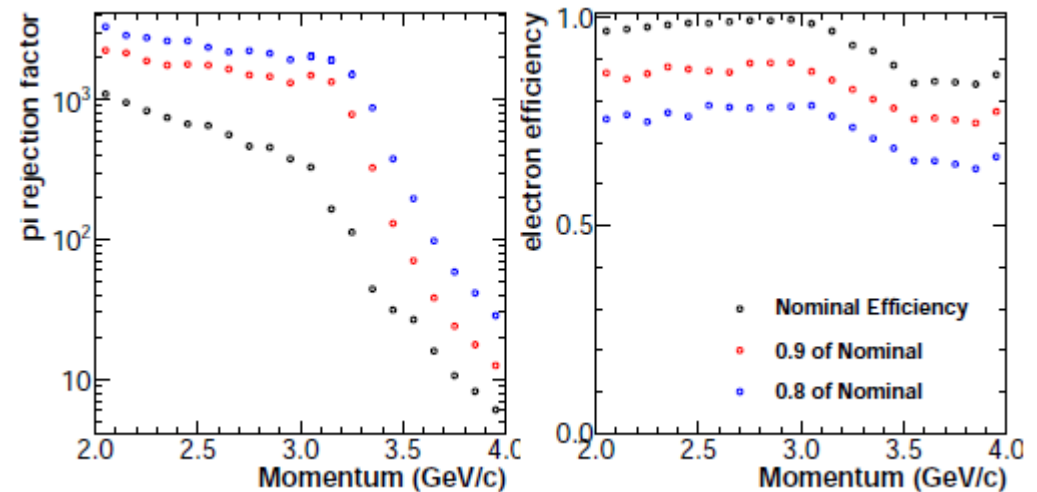
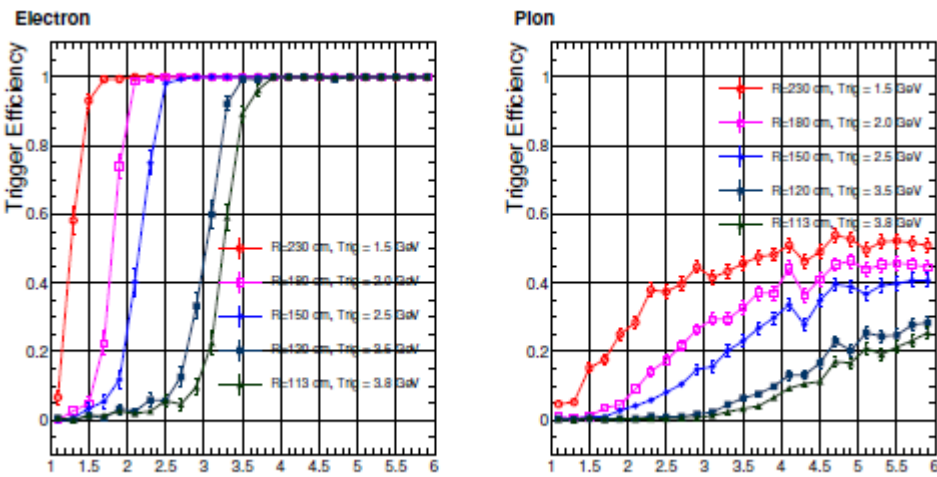


# Background Suppression

Trigger efficiencies based on simulations based on DIS events with realistic background incident on Ecal and Cherenkov

EM Calorimeter Performance

Gas Cherenkov Performance



Readout Rate (kHz) $P > 1$ GeV		
	$^{48}\text{Ca}$	$\text{LD}_2$
DIS $e^-$	144	321
$\pi^-$	11	20
$\pi^+$	0.4	1
Total	155	342

# Systematic Errors

- Polarimetry
  - Compton polarimeter anticipated error of 0.4%
  - Additional checks can be made using the Møller polarimeter
- Pion contamination is about 4%
  - It is worst at highest  $x$
  - Will measure the Pion contamination and asymmetry using dedicated pion triggers
  - We assign 0.1 - 0.5% bin-to-bin systematic error

# Systematic Errors

- EM radiative corrections
  - We measure up to resonant and elastic events to determine contributions from them
  - Initial simulations were done with and without radiative losses at the scattering vertex
    - Compared DIS rates and asymmetry variations
  - Based on these initial estimates we assign 0.5 - 0.1% bin to bin systematic
- Electroweak radiative corrections
  - EW effective quark couplings ( $C_{ij}$ ) at our kinematics needs to be computed as readily available couplings values are estimated at  $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$
- Radiative corrections (EM and EW) for our kinematics will be computed by theory collaborators

# Potential Systematic Errors

- Hadronic and Nuclear effects
  - Higher twists (HT) and Charge Symmetry Violations (CSV) will greatly be constrained by SoLID PVDIS program with hydrogen and deuterium
  - If large CSV effect observed, this will motivate for an isoscalar  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  measurement.
- $a_2(x)$  uncertainties from free PDF
  - We have estimated the PDF uncertainty on a naive  $a_2(x)$  calculation is below our statistical uncertainty for  $0.2 < x < 0.7$
- Presence of these systematic errors can reduce our sensitivity to isovector EMC effects but then models within PDF fits will require modification justifying our measurement

# Systematic Error Summary on $A_{PV}$

Effect	Uncertainty [%]
Polarimetry	0.4
$R^Z / R^\gamma$	0.2
Pions (bin-to-bin)	0.1-0.5
Radiative Corrections (bin-to-bin)	0.5-0.1
Total for any given bin	$\sim 0.5-0.7$

# Beam Time Request

We request 60 days of production data at 11 GeV at 80  $\mu\text{A}$  with full beam polarization

	Time (days)	E (GeV)	Current ( $\mu\text{A}$ )
$^{48}\text{Ca}$ Production	60	11	80
Optics	2	4.4	Up to 80
Moller Polarimetry	4	11	2
Commissioning	5	11	Up to 80
Total	71		



# Summary

- Using the PVDIS SoLID configuration with a  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  target we will obtain 0.8 - 1.1% stat. and about 0.7% syst. precise asymmetry measurements
- Proposed measurement will constrain possible flavor-dependent nuclear medium modification effects on quarks
  - Test available models (CBT etc.) or develop new models
- Will help to understand EMC effect and NuTeV anomaly
- Provide necessary corrections for neutrino scattering and Drell-Yan processes
- By combining multiple experiments, more robust constraints can be imposed
  - PVDIS on light nuclei : SoLID PVDIS on  $\text{LH}_2$  and  $\text{LD}_2$
  - DIS cross section measurements : E12-10-008
  - Drell-Yan : @COMPASS?
- Up-to date proposal [http://www.jlab.org/~riordan/emcpvdis\\_prop.pdf](http://www.jlab.org/~riordan/emcpvdis_prop.pdf)

# Supplementary

# Hall Radiation Levels

Breakdown of relative radiation flux/dose increase in  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  with respect to deuterium seen by a cylindrical detector in the hall. Notice same relative increase for flux/dose since both deuterium and  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  dosages are estimated for 60 days.

		Relative Flux Increase	Relative Dose Increase
Radiation Type	E-Range (MeV)	From LD <sub>2</sub> (%)	From LD <sub>2</sub> (%)
$e^{\pm}$	E < 10	53.4	53.4
	E > 10	89.0	89.0
n	E < 10	3.6	3.6
	E > 10	22.8	22.8
$\gamma$	E < 10	77.3	77.3
	E > 10	47.8	47.8