

Extraction of the Weak Mixing Angle at the EIC

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EW and BSM Physics at the EIC

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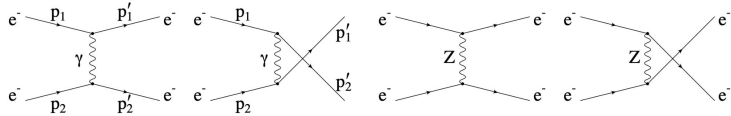
Outline

1. Planned future $\sin^2(\theta_W)$ measurements
2. Electroweak and BSM Physics at the EIC
3. $\sin^2(\theta_W)$ at the EIC
4. Simulation
5. Projected Results
6. Future Plans
7. Summary

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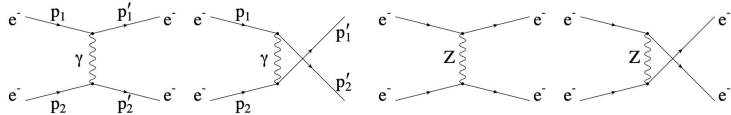
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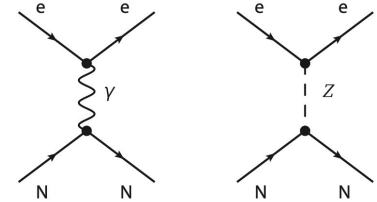
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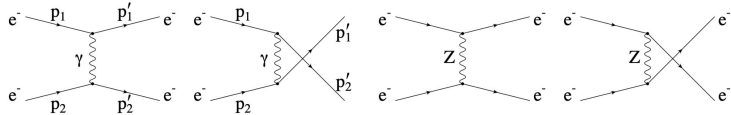
Make a “cut” on measurements with uncertainty $\sim 0.0003X$ or better

*Krishna Kumar: BSM Searches at the Intensity Frontier

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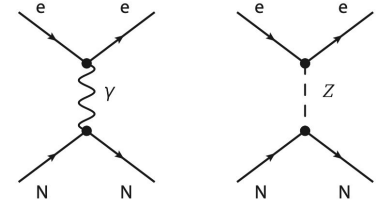
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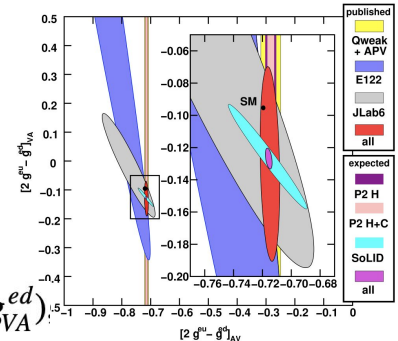
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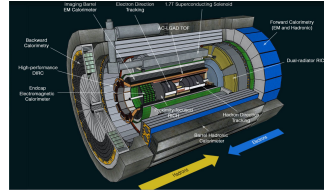
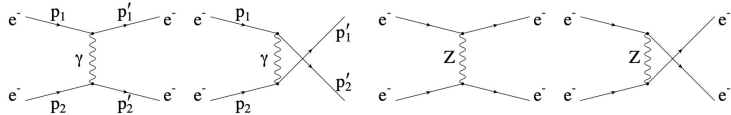
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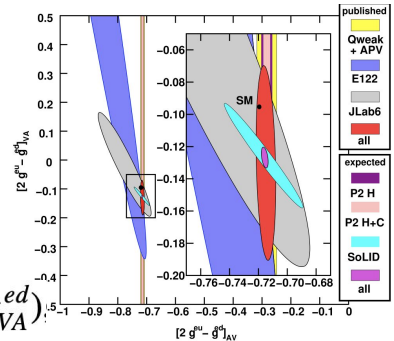
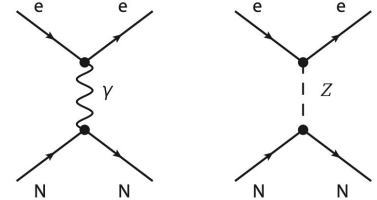


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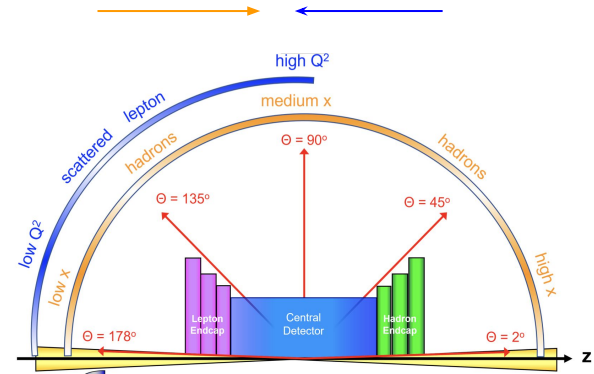
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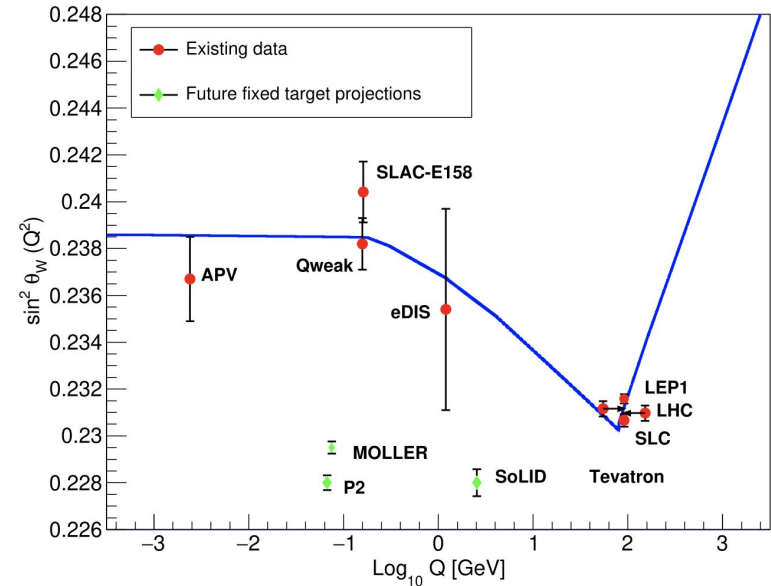
- ❖ Primary focus of the EIC
 - Origin of nucleon spin & nucleon mass
 - 3-dimensional structure of protons and nucleons
- ❖ Beam and detector design
 - Synergistic Electroweak & BSM physics
- ❖ EW & BSM physics opportunities
 - CFLV (talks by Emanuele Mereghetti & Andrew Hurley)
 - Dark photon search
 - Provide constraints on $\sin^2(\theta_W)$ over a wide Q^2 range



- ❖ Wide kinematic coverage
- ❖ High luminosity $\sim 1 \times 10^{34}$
- ❖ Polarized e^- and hadron beams ⁷

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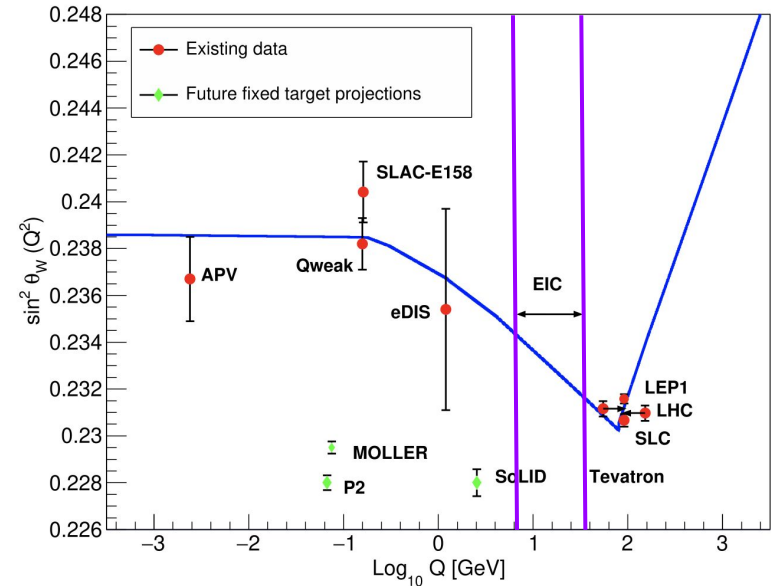
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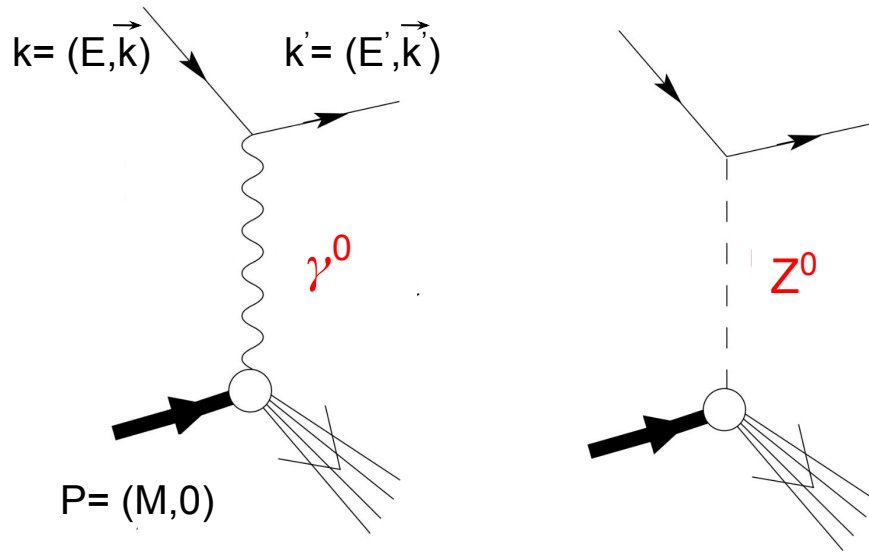
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- ❖ Energy range between those achievable in fixed-target and collider experiments
 - Over a range of Q^2 values not yet explored



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Neutral Current Electroweak Physics Studies at the EIC

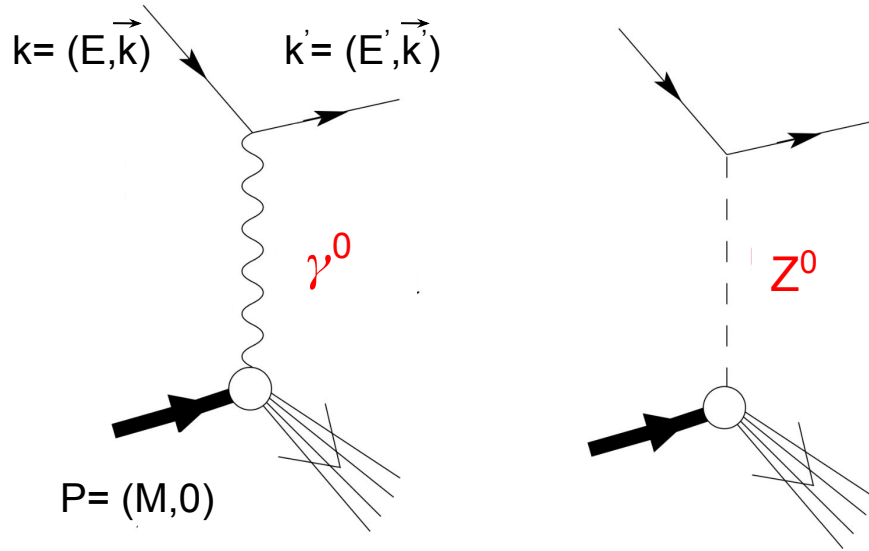


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Where

$g_A^{e(q)}$ and $g_V^{e(q)}$:
axial and vector
neutral weak
couplings of the
electron (quark)

$$[F_2^\gamma, F_2^{\gamma Z}, F_2^Z] = x \sum_q [e_q^2, 2e_q g_V^q, (g_V^q)^2 + (g_A^q)^2] (q + \bar{q})$$

$$[F_3^\gamma, F_3^{\gamma Z}, F_3^Z] = x \sum_q [0, 2e_q g_A^q, 2g_V^q g_A^q] (q - \bar{q})$$

$$g_A^e = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$g_A^q = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$g_V^e = -\frac{1}{2} + 2 \sin^2 \theta_W$$

$$g_V^q = \pm \frac{1}{2} - 2e_q \sin^2 \theta_W$$

Background and Status of Ongoing Projections

- ❖ Initial estimates performed for the EIC Yellow Report
- ❖ Updated for ECCE detector
 - Utilized “fast smearing” from single e^- simulation
 - Statistical, beam polarimetry, & PDF uncertainties
- ❖ Updated (in progress for ePIC)
 - Unfolding uncertainties
- ❖ Proceeding to include results from full simulation
 - Projection for the upcoming ePIC

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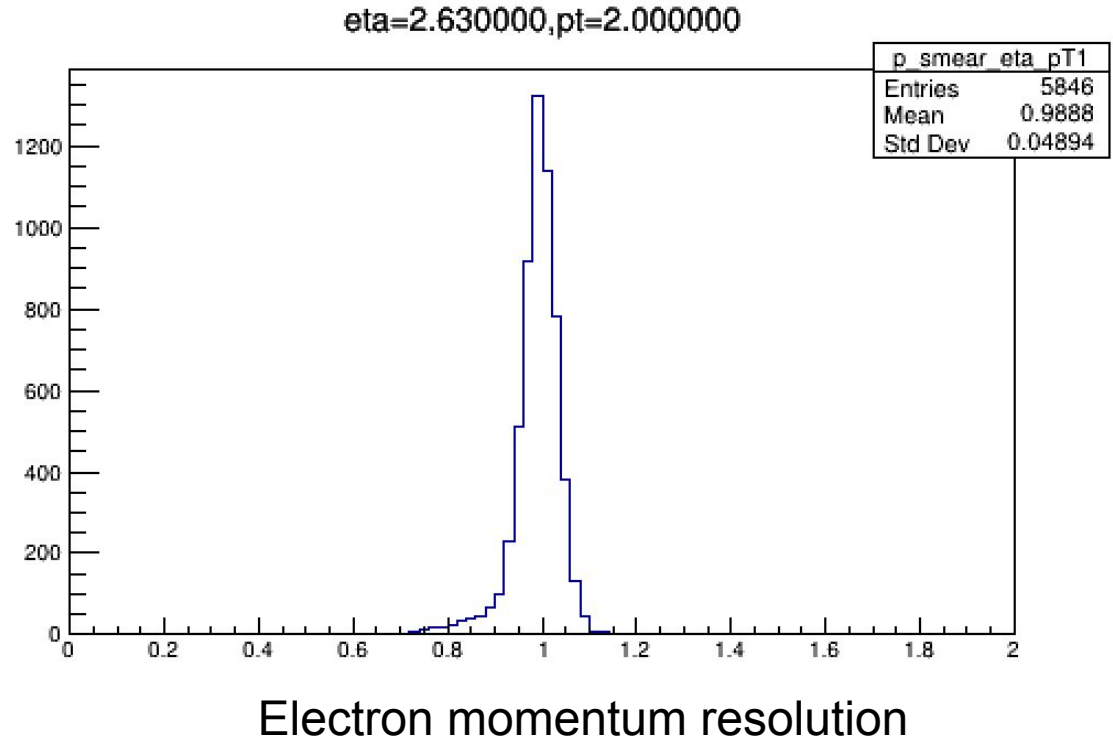
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What will be shown

1. Previous detailed study for ECCE
2. Ongoing work for ePIC

Simulation

- Djangoh event generator
 - Fast-smearing from single e^- gun simulation
- Modified Djangoh to calculate counts and size of A_{PV}
- Events unfolded to leptonic truth using R-matrix inversion method
- **Best way to treat uncertainty of unfolding & bin migration?**
- 20 M events per energy setting
- Inclusive electrons detected using tracking Ecal systems



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ECCE

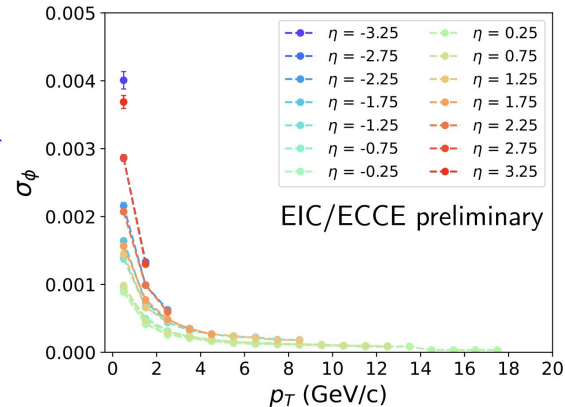
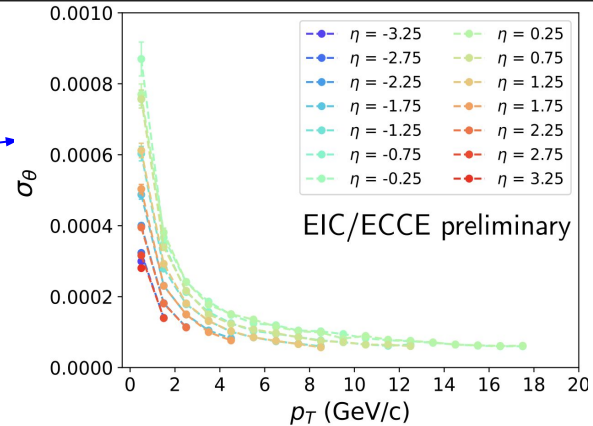
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 - RMS of fast smearing spectra
- Provides for reliable projections
 - Limitation: selection of hadronic state not implemented
 - Could provide better identification DIS events

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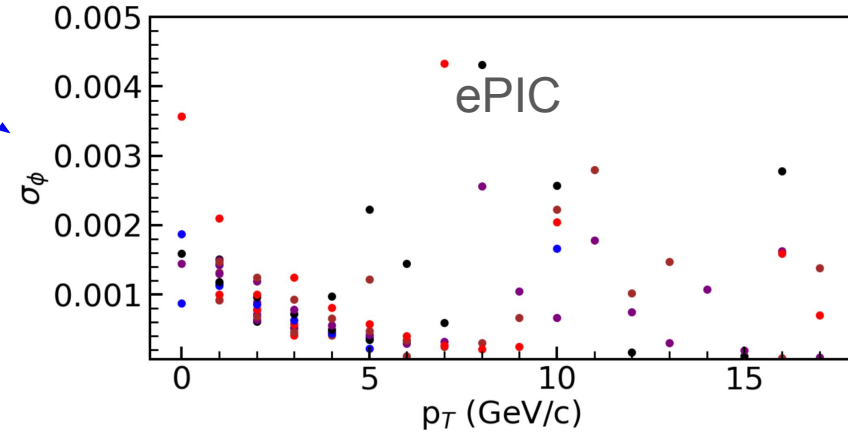
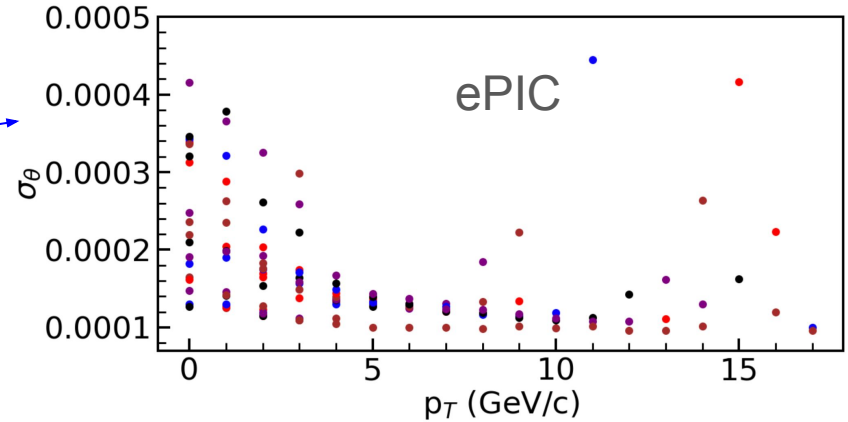
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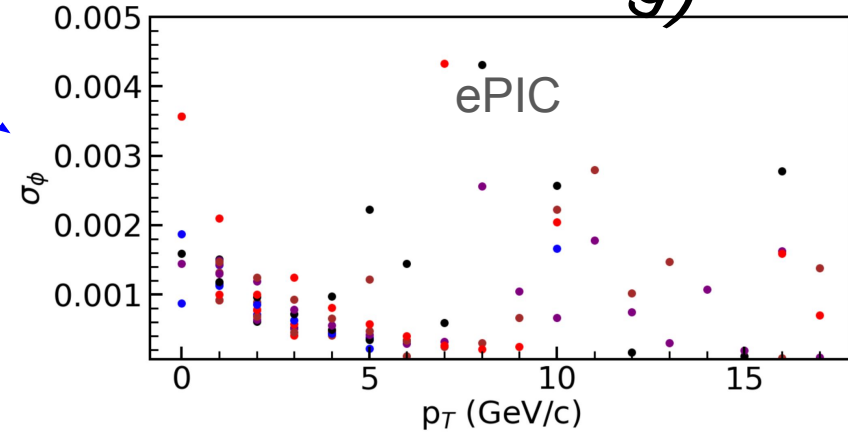
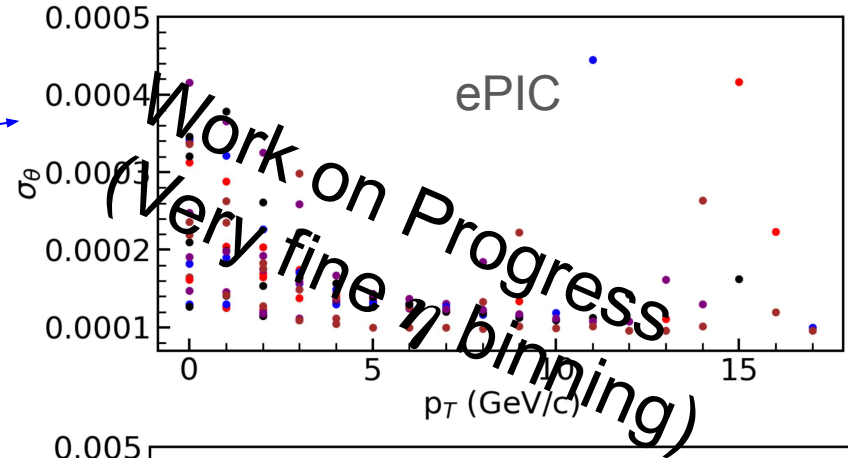
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Simulated Settings

Electron Energy [GeV]	Proton Energy [GeV]	Annual Luminosity [fb ⁻¹]		Electron Energy [GeV]	Deuteron Energy [GeV]	Annual Luminosity [fb ⁻¹]
5	41	4.4		5	41	4.4
5	100	36.8		5	100	36.8
10	100	44.8		10	100	44.8
10	275	100		10	137	100
18	275	15.4		18	137	15.4
18	275	100				

Pseudo-Data

1. In each bin (\sqrt{s}, Q^2, x)

- Nominal PDF set used to calculate A_{PV}^{theo}

$\sin^2\theta_W = 0.231$ used in generation of pseudo-data

2. Pseudo-experimental asymmetry generated utilizing the statistical and systematic uncertainties

$$(A_{PV})_b^{pseudo} = (A_{PV})_{SM,b}^{theo} + r_b \sqrt{\sigma_{stat}^2 + \left[(A_{PV})_{SM,b}^{theo} \left(\frac{\sigma_{sys}}{A} \right)_b \right]^2} + r' \sqrt{\left[(A_{PV})_{SM,b}^{theo} \left(\frac{\sigma_{pol}}{A} \right)_b \right]^2}$$

Uncorrelated uncertainties

Correlated uncertainties

- r_b and r' : random number drawn from Normal distribution
- r' common across all bins

Experimental Uncertainties

- Statistical: $dA_{\text{stat}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$
- Systematics
 - Background: $\frac{\sigma_{bg}}{A} = 1\%$
 - Polarimetry: $\frac{\sigma_{pol}}{A} = 1\%$
(e⁻ beam polarization = 80%)

Diagonal Terms

$$\sigma_b^2 = \sigma_{\text{stat},b}^2 + \left[(A_{\text{PV}})_{\text{SM},0,b}^{\text{theo}} \left(\frac{\sigma_{\text{sys}}}{A} \right)_b \right]^2 + \left[(A_{\text{PV}})_{\text{SM},0,b}^{\text{theo}} \left(\frac{\sigma_{\text{pol}}}{A} \right)_b \right]^2$$

Off-Diagonal Terms

$$\sigma_b = (A_{\text{PV}})_{\text{SM},0,b}^{\text{theo}} \left(\frac{\sigma_{\text{pol}}}{A} \right)_b$$

Experimental Uncertainty

Matrix

$$\Sigma_0^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_1 \sigma_2 & \cdots & \sigma_1 \sigma_{N_{bin}} \\ & \sigma_2^2 & \cdots & \sigma_2 \sigma_{N_{bin}} \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & \sigma_{N_{bin}}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

PDF Uncertainties

- PDF uncertainties were determined following the prescription of each PDF set (CT18NLO, MMHT2014, NNPDF31)

- **Hessian**

$$(\Sigma_{pdf}^2)_{bb'} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{m=1}^{N_{pdf}/2} (A_{SM,2m,b}^{theo} - A_{SM,2m-1,b}^{theo}) (A_{SM,2m,b'}^{theo} - A_{SM,2m-1,b'}^{theo})$$

- **Replica**

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PDF Uncertainty Matrix

Accounted for both diagonal and off-diagonal elements of PDF uncertainty

$$\Sigma_{pdf}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{1,pdf}^2 & \sigma_{1,pdf}\sigma_{2,pdf} & \cdots & \sigma_{1,pdf}\sigma_{N_{bin,pdf}} \\ & \sigma_{2,pdf}^2 & \cdots & \sigma_{2}\sigma_{N_{bin,pdf}} \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & \sigma_{N_{bin,pdf}}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- Extraction of $\sin^2 \theta_W$ from minimization of the χ^2

$$\chi^2 = [A^{pseudo-data} - \mathbf{A}^{theory}]^T (\Sigma^2)^{-1} [A^{pseudo-data} - \mathbf{A}^{theory}]$$

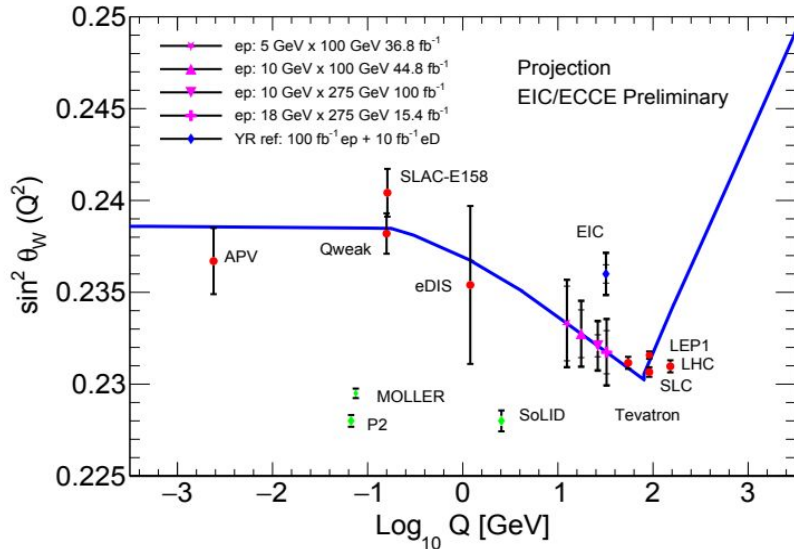
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- \mathbf{A}^{theory} is a function of $\sin^2 \theta_W$ via the weak neutral couplings
- Single parameter fit to extract $\rightarrow \sin^2 \theta_W$

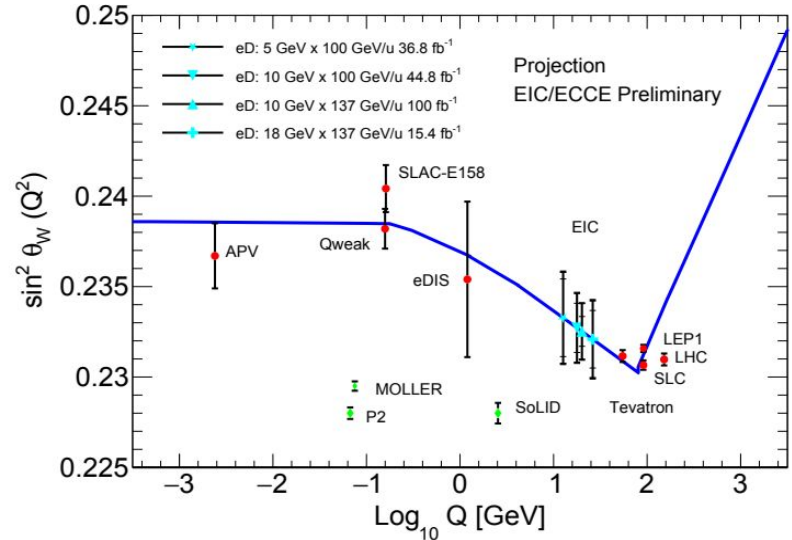
Uncertainty Matrix

$$(\Sigma^2)_{bb'} = (\Sigma_0^2)_{bb'} + (\Sigma_{pdf}^2)_{bb'}$$

ep Results



eD Results



Statistical and beam polarimetry uncertainties dominate;
 moderate precision in an unmeasured energy region, multi-year run would help
 Combining ep + eD results, approach the sensitivity of Yellow Report: $\sim \pm 0.00097$

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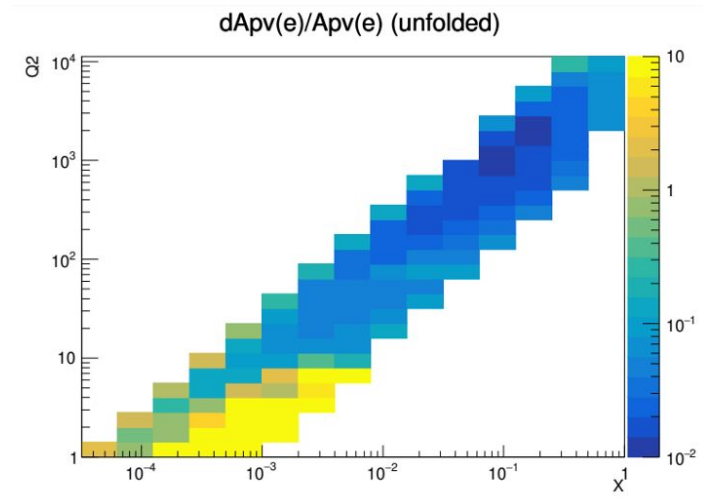
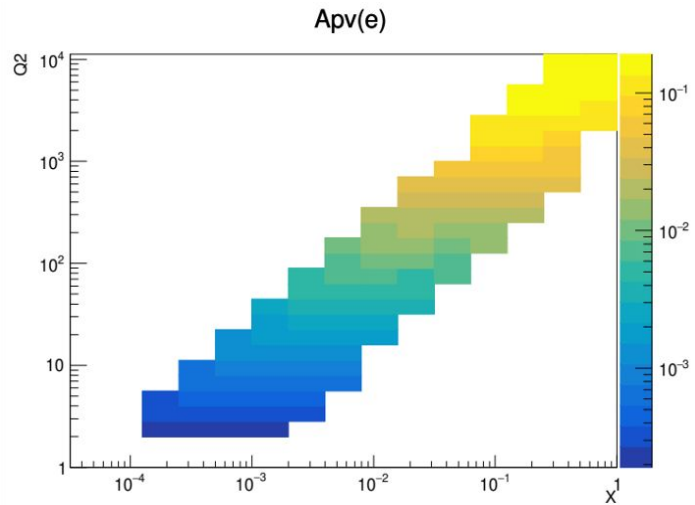
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Luminosity (fb^{-1})	36.8	44.8	100	15.4	(100 YR ref)
$\langle Q^2 \rangle$ (GeV^2)	154.4	308.1	687.3	1055.1	1055.1
$\langle A_{PV} \rangle$ ($P_e = 0.8$)	-0.00854	-0.01617	-0.03254	-0.04594	-0.04594
$(dA/A)_{\text{stat}}$	1.54%	0.98%	0.40%	0.80%	(0.31%)
$(dA/A)_{\text{stat+syst(bg)}}$	1.55%	1.00%	0.43%	0.81%	(0.35%)
$(dA/A)_{1\% \text{pol}}$	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	(1.0%)
$(dA/A)_{\text{tot}}$	1.84%	1.42%	1.09%	1.29%	(1.06%)
Experimental					
$d(\sin^2 \theta_W)_{\text{stat+syst(bg)}}$	0.002032	0.001299	0.000597	0.001176	0.000516
$d(\sin^2 \theta_W)_{\text{stat+syst+pol}}$	0.002342	0.001759	0.001297	0.001769	0.001244
with PDF					
$d(\sin^2 \theta_W)_{\text{tot,CT18NLO}}$	0.002388	0.001807	0.001363	0.001823	0.001320
$d(\sin^2 \theta_W)_{\text{tot,MMHT2014}}$	0.002353	0.001771	0.001319	0.001781	0.001270
$d(\sin^2 \theta_W)_{\text{tot,NNPDF31}}$	0.002351	0.001789	0.001313	0.001801	0.001308

eD Results

Beam type and energy Label	$eD\ 5 \times 100$ D2	$eD\ 10 \times 100$ D3	$eD\ 10 \times 137$ D4	$eD\ 18 \times 137$ D5	$eD\ 18 \times 137$ N/A
Luminosity (fb^{-1})	36.8	44.8	100	15.4	(10 YR ref)
$\langle Q^2 \rangle$ (GeV^2)	160.0	316.9	403.5	687.2	687.2
$\langle A_{PV} \rangle$ ($P_e = 0.8$)	-0.01028	-0.01923	-0.02366	-0.03719	-0.03719
$(dA/A)_{\text{stat}}$	1.46%	0.93%	0.54%	1.05%	(1.31%)
$(dA/A)_{\text{stat+bg}}$	1.47%	0.95%	0.56%	1.07%	(1.32%)
$(dA/A)_{\text{syst,1\%pol}}$	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	(1.0%)
$(dA/A)_{\text{tot}}$	1.78%	1.38%	1.15%	1.46%	(1.66%)
Experimental					
$d(\sin^2 \theta_W)_{\text{stat+bg}}$	0.002148	0.001359	0.000823	0.001591	0.001963
$d(\sin^2 \theta_W)_{\text{stat+bg+pol}}$	0.002515	0.001904	0.001544	0.002116	0.002414
with PDF					
$d(\sin^2 \theta_W)_{\text{tot,CT18}}$	0.002558	0.001936	0.001566	0.002173	0.00247
$d(\sin^2 \theta_W)_{\text{tot,MMHT2014}}$	0.002527	0.001917	0.001562	0.002128	0.002424
$d(\sin^2 \theta_W)_{\text{tot,NNPDF31}}$	0.002526	0.001915	0.001560	0.002127	0.002423

Ongoing and Future Plans

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 - Studying unfolding uncertainties

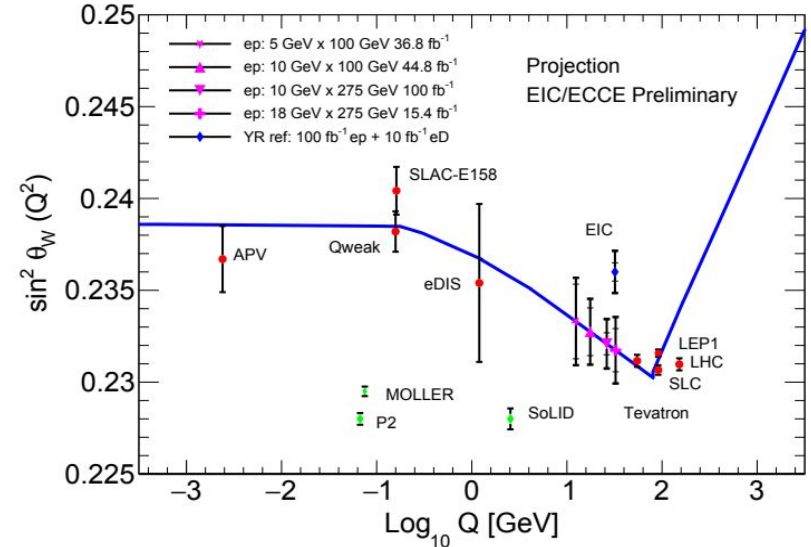


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- ❖ Utilizing full simulation instead of “fast smearing”
 - Pythia 8 vs DJANGO
- ❖ Discussion
 - Representation of results
 - Consider multi-year run?
 - Suggestions?

Summary and Outlook

- ❖ Detailed study of the extraction of $\sin^2(\theta_W)$ at the EIC for both the proton and deuteron
- ❖ Overall uncertainties larger than those in Yellow Report
- ❖ The EIC can play a role in Electroweak and BSM physics
 - Covering energy scale between fixed target and collider experiments
 - Unexplored region
- ❖ Ongoing studies and future projections for ePIC detector
 - Expected results in 2 weeks and 2-3 month time scale



Thank You

