



The polarized Valence Quark Distribution from COMPASS

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Introduction

Static SU(6) quark model:

$$\Delta\Sigma = \Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s = 1$$

EMC (1988):

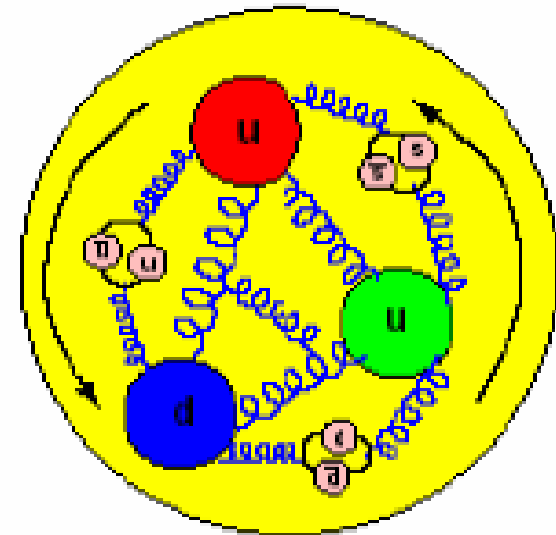
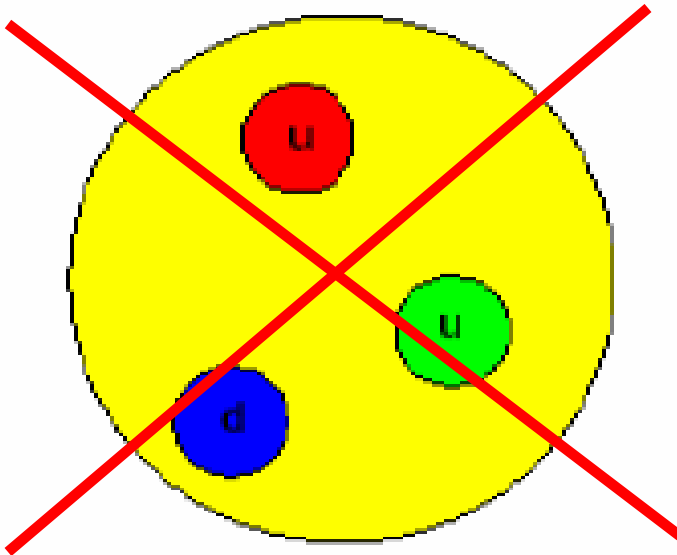
$$\Delta\Sigma = 0.12 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.14$$

(\pm stat \pm syst)

$$\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s} = -0.14 \pm 0.03$$

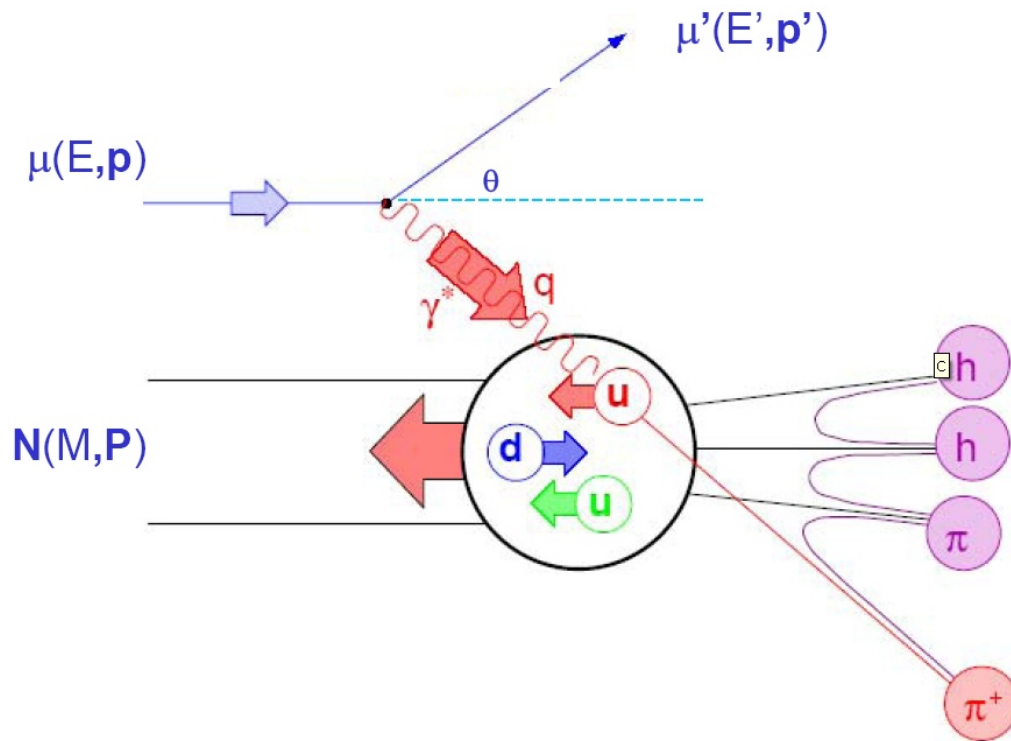
COMPASS:

$$\Delta\Sigma = 0.35 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.05$$



$$S_N = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L_q + L_g \quad (\hbar=1)$$

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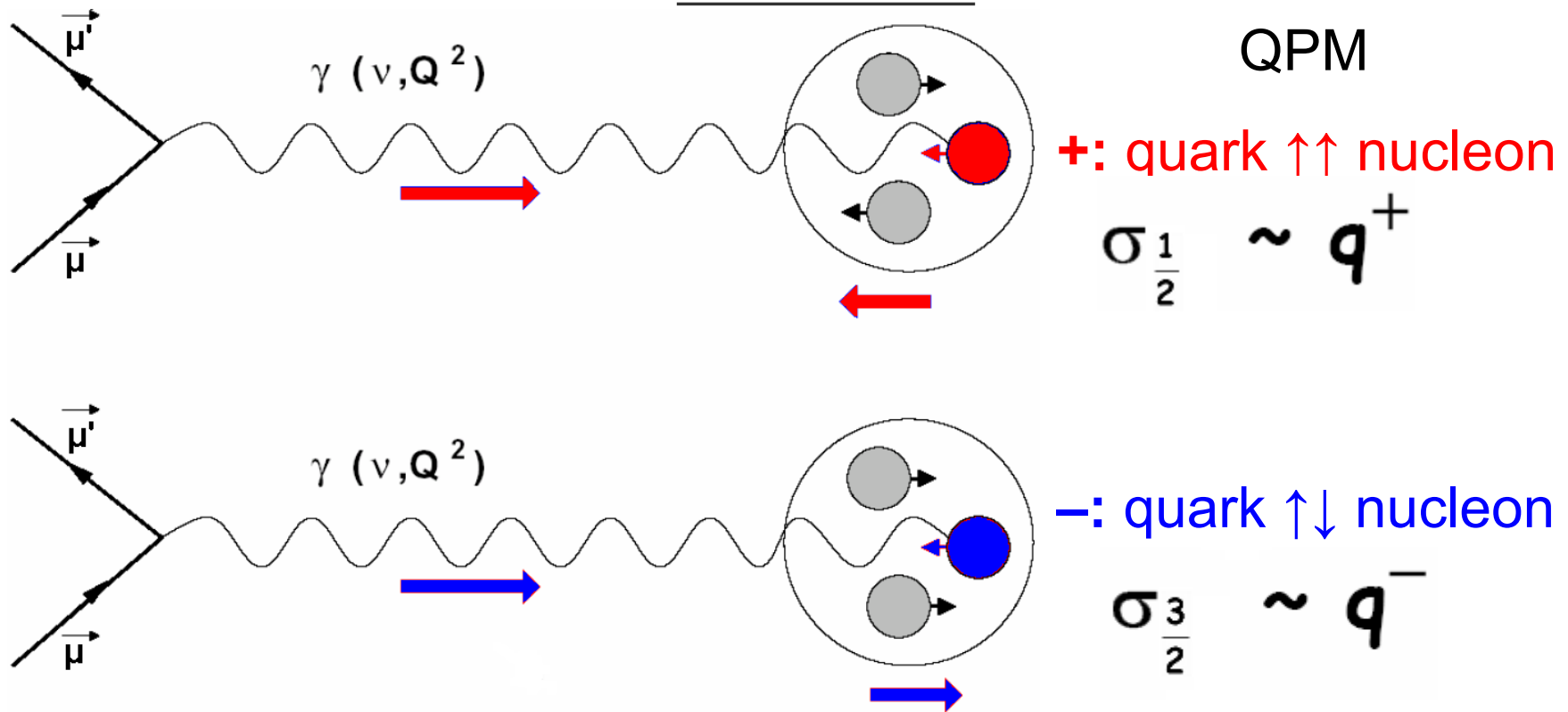


Main kinematical variables

- $Q^2 = -q^2 = (p-p')^2$
- $\nu = E - E'$
- $x = Q^2/2M\nu$
- $y = \nu/E$
- $z = E_h/\nu$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} \approx \underbrace{c_1 F_1(x, Q^2) + c_2 F_2(x, Q^2)}_{\text{spin independent}} + \underbrace{c_3 g_1(x, Q^2) + c_4 g_2(x, Q^2)}_{\text{spin dependent}}$$

Introduction



$q^+(x)$ and $q^-(x)$ - the probability density function of finding a quark with a spin $\uparrow\uparrow$ or $\uparrow\downarrow$ to the nucleon spin.

$$q(x) = q^+(x) + q^-(x)$$

$$\Delta q(x) = q^+(x) - q^-(x)$$

$$q_v(x) = q(x) - \bar{q}(x)$$

$$\Delta q_v(x) = \Delta q(x) - \Delta \bar{q}(x)$$

Introduction

From experiments it is known, unpolarized sea is not symmetric:

$$\int_0^1 dx [\bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x)] = 0.148 \pm 0.039 \text{ (NMC)}$$
$$\int_0^1 dx [\bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x)] = 0.118 \pm 0.012 \text{ (E866)} \quad \neq 0$$
$$\int_0^1 dx [\bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x)] = 0.16 \pm 0.03 \text{ (HERMES)}$$

What we can say about polarized sea ?

Introduction

$$SU_f(3) \quad m_u \simeq m_d \simeq m_s \simeq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \Delta u + \Delta \bar{u} + \Delta d + \Delta \bar{d} + \Delta s + \Delta \bar{s} \\ a_3 &= \Delta u + \Delta \bar{u} - (\Delta d + \Delta \bar{d}) \\ a_8 &= \Delta u + \Delta \bar{u} + \Delta d + \Delta \bar{d} - 2(\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}) \end{aligned} \quad \Delta q = \int_0^1 \Delta q(x) dx$$

$$\Delta \bar{u} + \Delta \bar{d} = (\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}) + \frac{1}{2}(a_8 - (\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v))$$

Since: $a_0 = 0.35 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.05$ (from COMPASS DIS data)

$a_8 = 0.59 \pm 0.03$ (from weak decay Hyperons)

Then: $\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s} = \frac{1}{3}(a_0 - a_8) = -0.09 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.02$

It is possible to find $\Delta \bar{u} + \Delta \bar{d}$ from valence quark distribution

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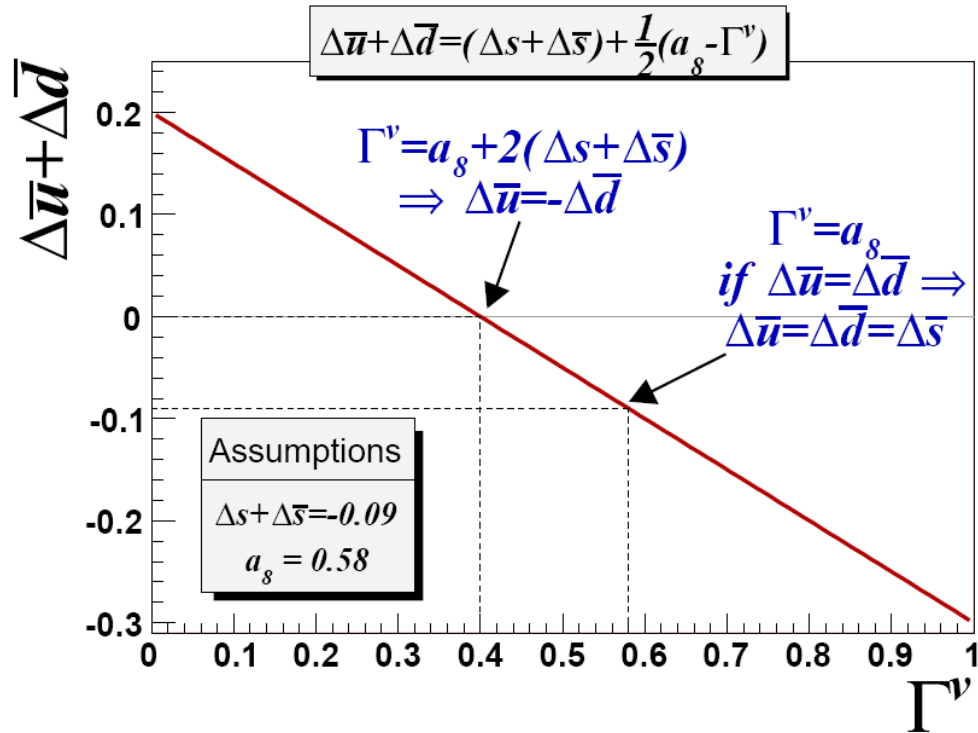
Two scenarios:

1. Flavor symmetric:

$$(\Delta \bar{u} = \Delta \bar{d} = \Delta \bar{s})$$

2. Flavor asymmetric:

$$(\Delta \bar{u} = -\Delta \bar{d})$$



$$\Gamma_\nu \equiv \int_0^1 (\Delta u_\nu(x) + \Delta d_\nu(x)) dx$$

$$\Delta \bar{u} + \Delta \bar{d} = (\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}) + \frac{1}{2}(a_8 - \Gamma_\nu)$$

The goal of the measurement is:

Γ_ν

With the precision:

$$\delta \Gamma_\nu < |\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}|$$

Introduction

The hadrons asymmetry contains the fragmentation functions

$$A_1^h(x) = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^h - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^h}{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^h + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^h} = \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 (\Delta q(x) D_q^h + \Delta \bar{q}(x) D_{\bar{q}}^h)}{\sum_q e_q^2 (q(x) D_q^h + \bar{q}(x) D_{\bar{q}}^h)}$$

The fragmentation functions $D_q^h = \int D_q^h(z) dz$ aren't well known

Using $SU_f(2)$ and *charge conjugation* symmetries \rightarrow
3 functions of fragmentation of pion:

$$D_1 = D_u^{\pi^+} \stackrel{SU(2)}{=} D_d^{\pi^-} \stackrel{C}{=} D_{\bar{d}}^{\pi^+} \stackrel{SU(2)}{=} D_{\bar{u}}^{\pi^-}$$

$$D_2 = D_{\bar{u}}^{\pi^+} \stackrel{SU(2)}{=} D_{\bar{d}}^{\pi^-} \stackrel{C}{=} D_d^{\pi^+} \stackrel{SU(2)}{=} D_u^{\pi^-}$$

$$D_3 = D_s^{\pi^+} = D_s^{\pi^-} = D_{\bar{s}}^{\pi^+} = D_{\bar{s}}^{\pi^-}$$

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The difference asymmetry was proposed in Phys. Lett.
[B230 (1989) 141]

$$A^{+-} = \frac{(\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h+} - \sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h-}) - (\sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h+} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h-})}{(\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h+} - \sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h-}) + (\sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h+} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h-})}$$

$$A_d^{\pi^+-\pi^-}(x) = A_d^{K^+-K^-}(x) = \frac{\Delta u_v(x) + \Delta d_v(x)}{u_v(x) + d_v(x)}$$

in LO QCD for deuteron target:

No hadron identification
is needed

No fragmentation functions
is needed

$$\Delta u_v(x) + \Delta d_v(x) = A^{+-}(x) \cdot [u_v(x) + d_v(x)]$$

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To obtain A^{+-} , A^+ and A^- asymmetries are used

$$A^{+-} = \frac{1}{1-r} (A^+ - rA^-)$$

Where:

$$A^+ = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h+} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h+}}{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h+} + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h+}}$$

$$A^- = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h-} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h-}}{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h-} + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h-}}$$

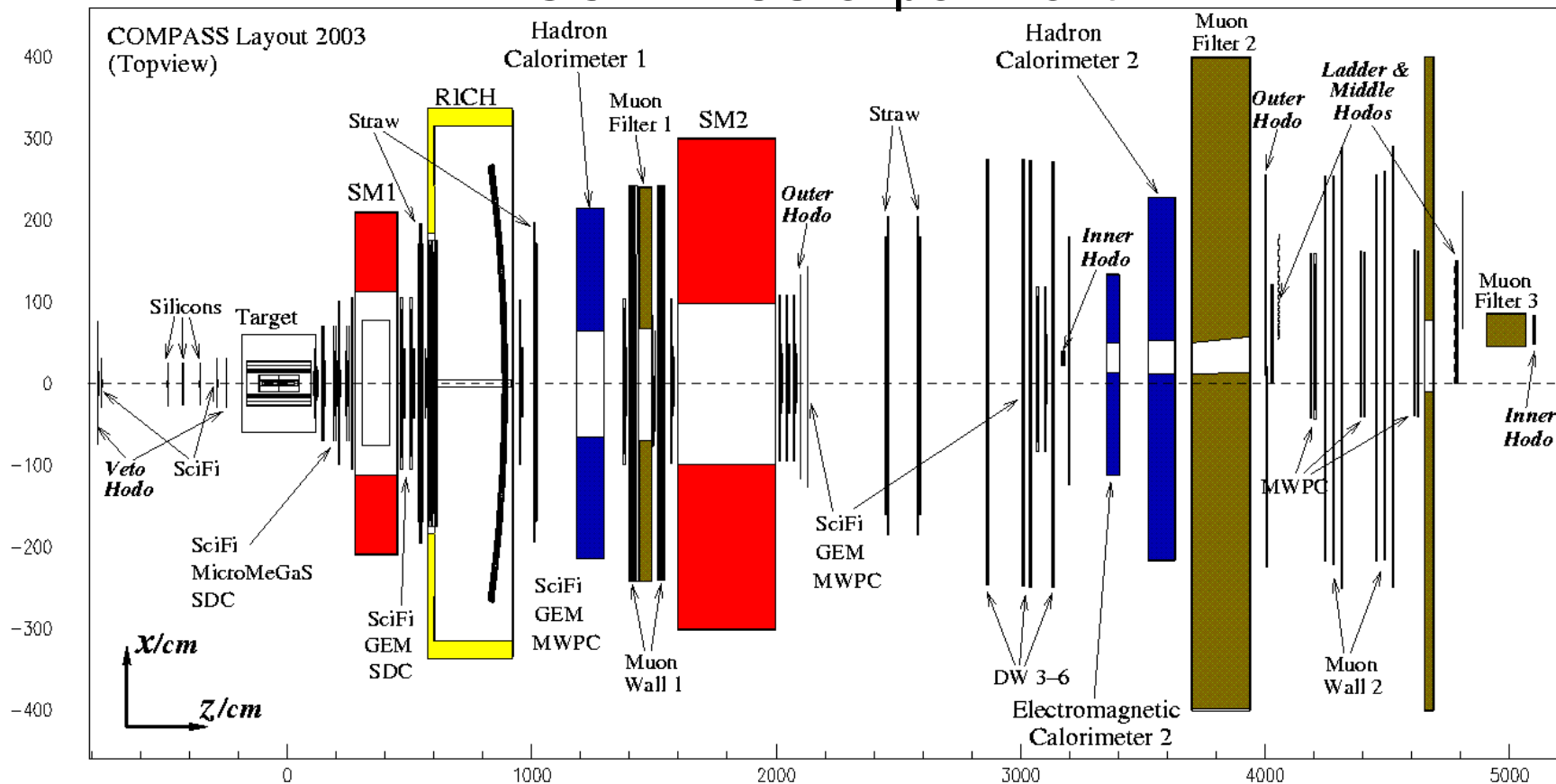
$$r = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h-} + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h-}}{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h+} + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h+}} = \frac{\sigma^{h-}}{\sigma^{h+}}$$

r can be obtained from the ratio of N^-/N^+ corrected with the ratio of acceptances:

$$r = \frac{\sigma^{h-}}{\sigma^{h+}} = \frac{N^-/a^-}{N^+/a^+}$$

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COMPASS experiment



- Luminosity: $5 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

- Beam intensity: $2 \cdot 10^8 \mu^+/\text{spill}$

- Energy μ beam: 160 GeV

- Polarised beam: 80%

- Target material: ${}^6\text{LiD}$

- Two target cells: $\uparrow\uparrow$, $\uparrow\downarrow$

- Polarised target: 50%

Cuts and statistics

Data from the years 2002 + 2003 + 2004

Kinematics cuts
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$
$0.1 < y < 0.9$
$0.2 < Z_h < 0.85$

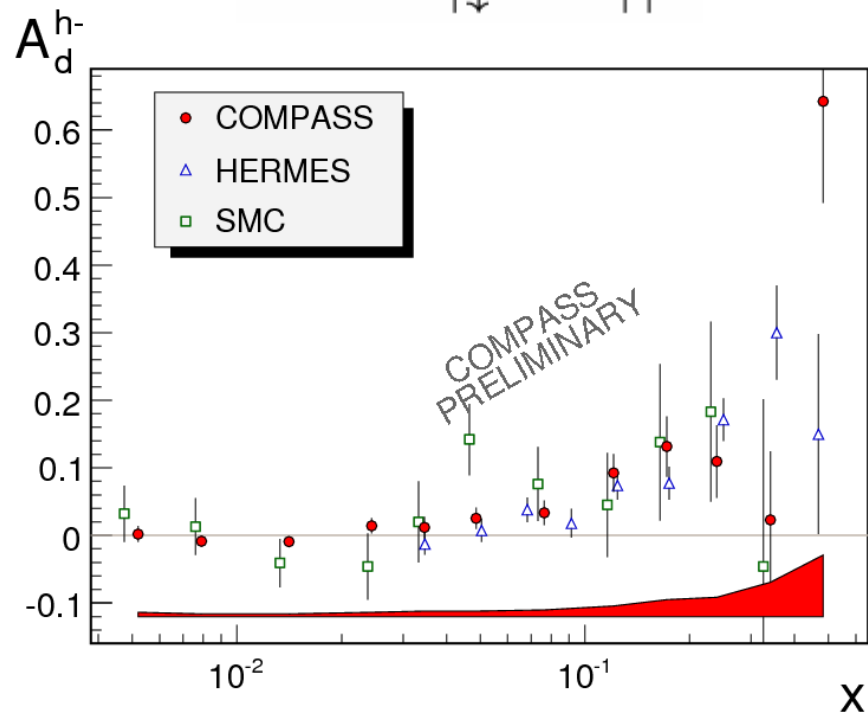
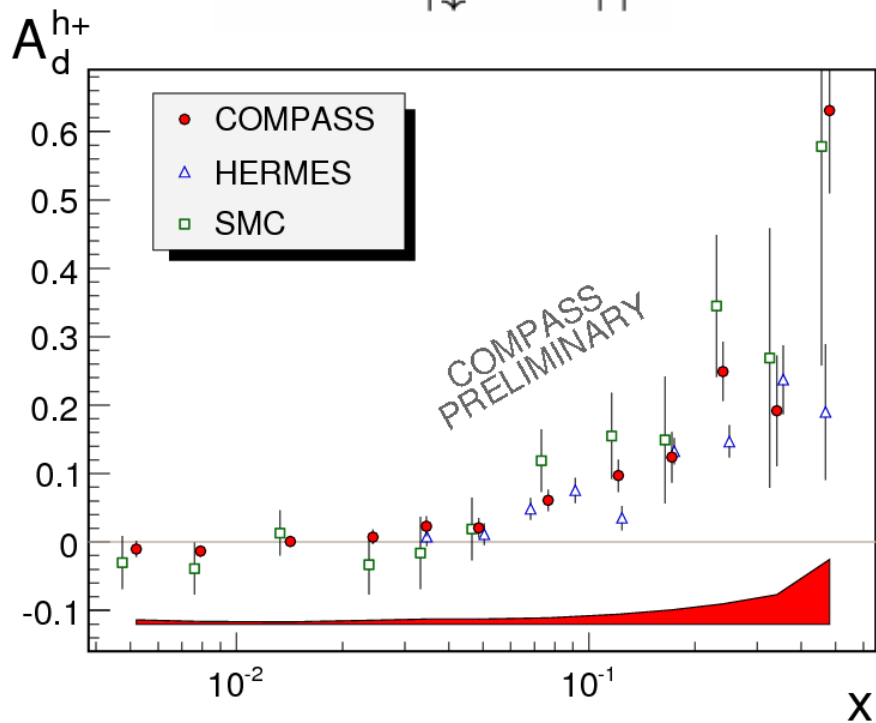
Pos. hadrons	30×10^6
Neg. hadrons	25×10^6
Cor. (N^+ , N^-)	20%

Asymmetries

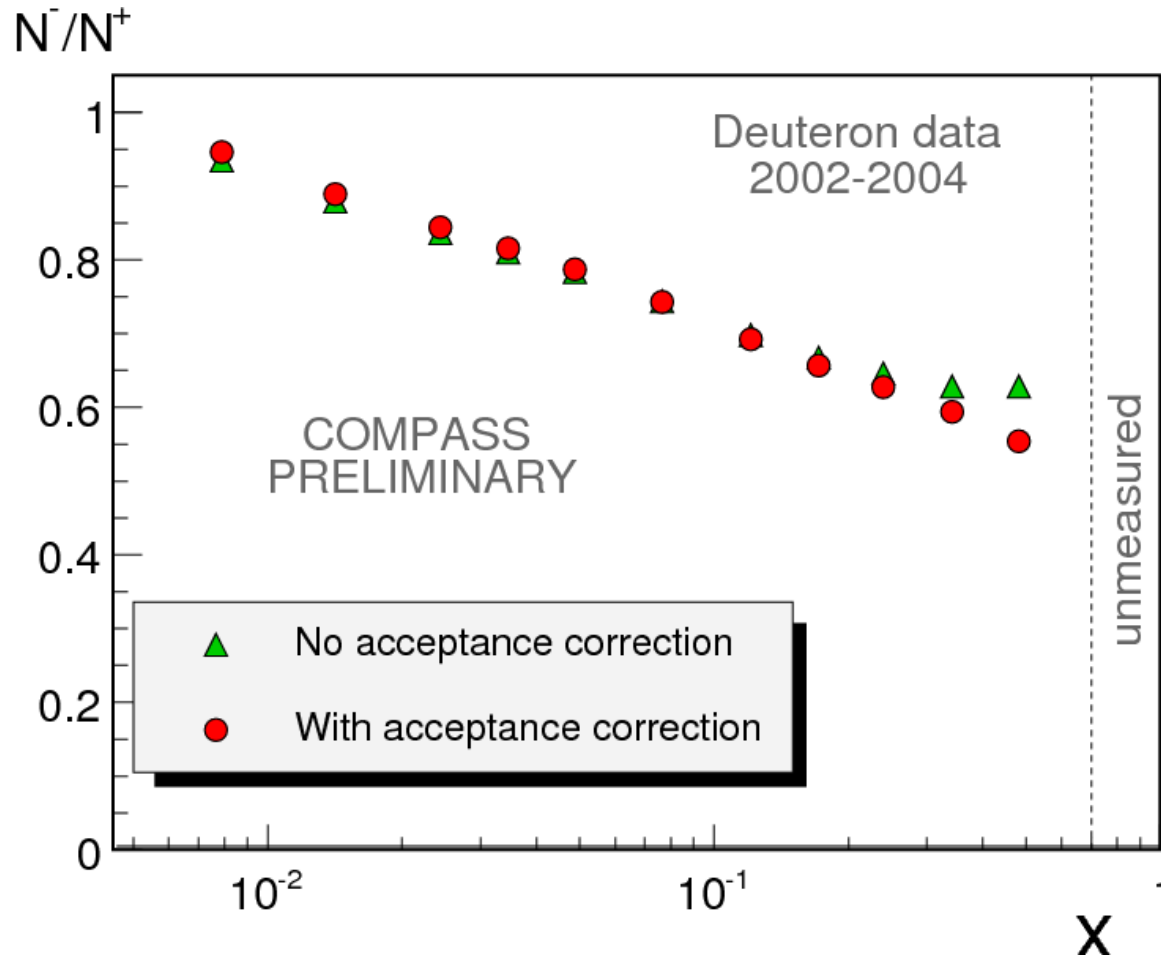
Semi-Inclusive asymmetries

$$A^+ = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^+} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^+}}{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^+} + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^+}}$$

$$A^- = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^-} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^-}}{\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{h^-} + \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{h^-}}$$



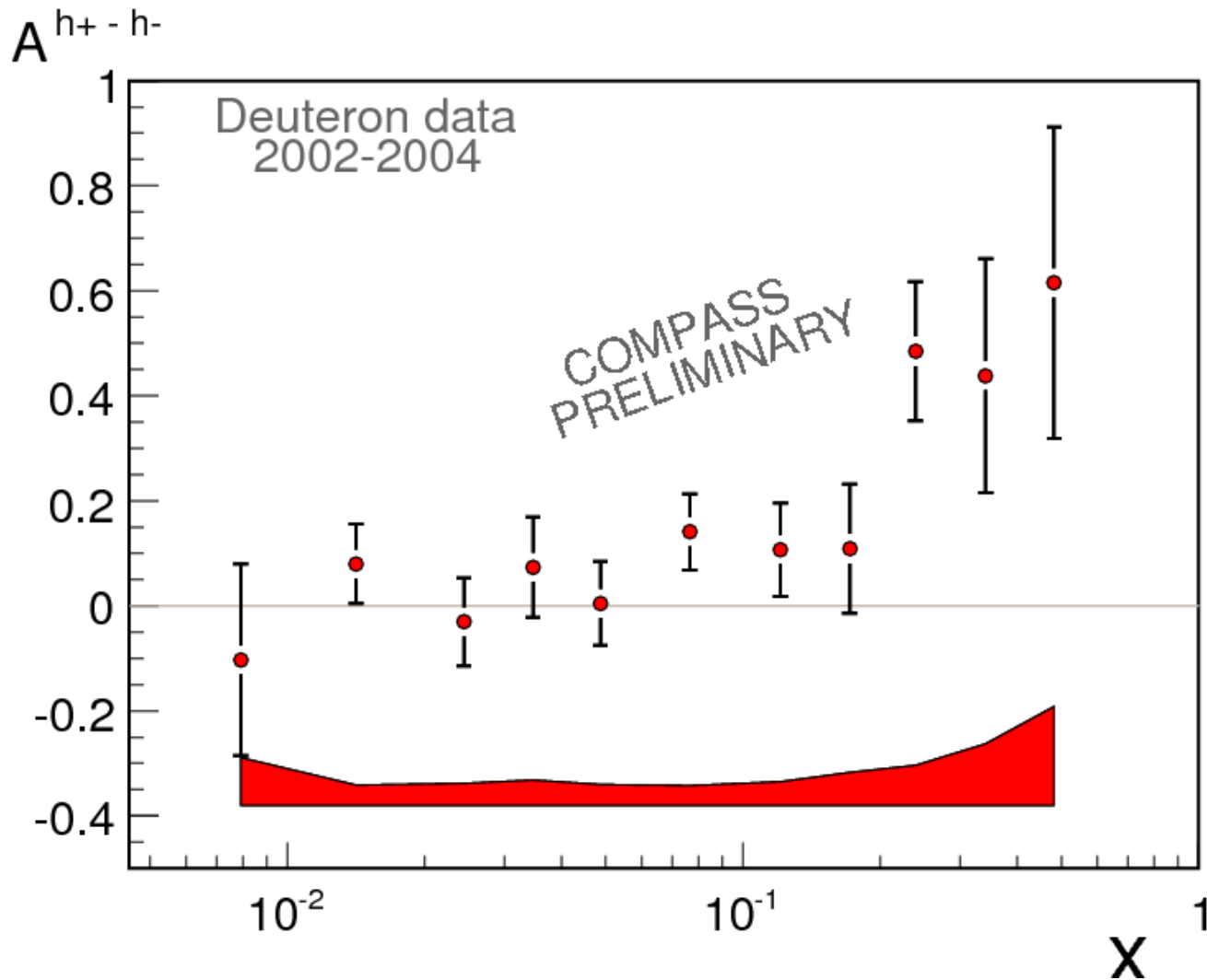
Asymmetries



$$r = \frac{\sigma^{h-}}{\sigma^{h+}} = \frac{N^-/a^-}{N^+/a^+}$$

Asymmetries

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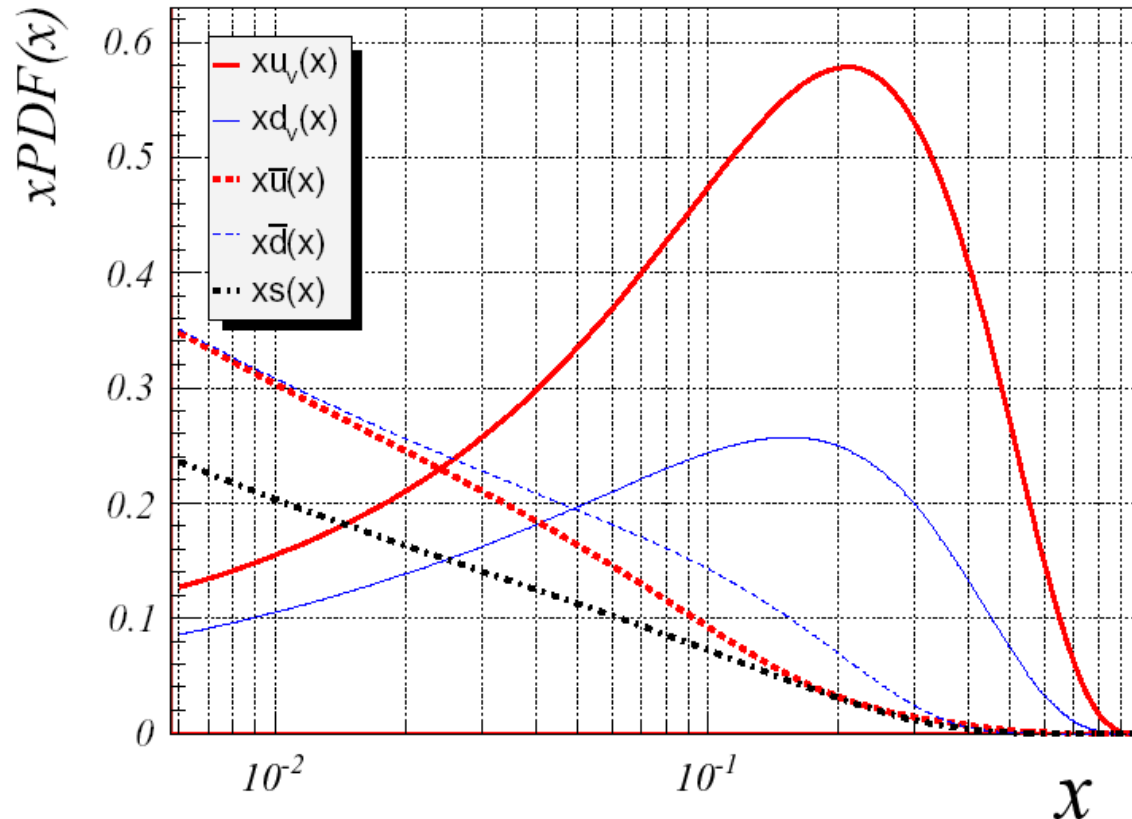


$\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v$ results

$$\Delta u_v(x) + \Delta d_v(x) = A^{+-}(x) \cdot [u_v(x) + d_v(x)]$$

Unpolarized PDFs:

- LO MRST2004 was used
- with $Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$



$\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v$ results

Since all points have different Q^2 (1-70 GeV²) an evolution to common Q^2 is needed

To evolve Δq to $Q^2 = 10$ GeV² :

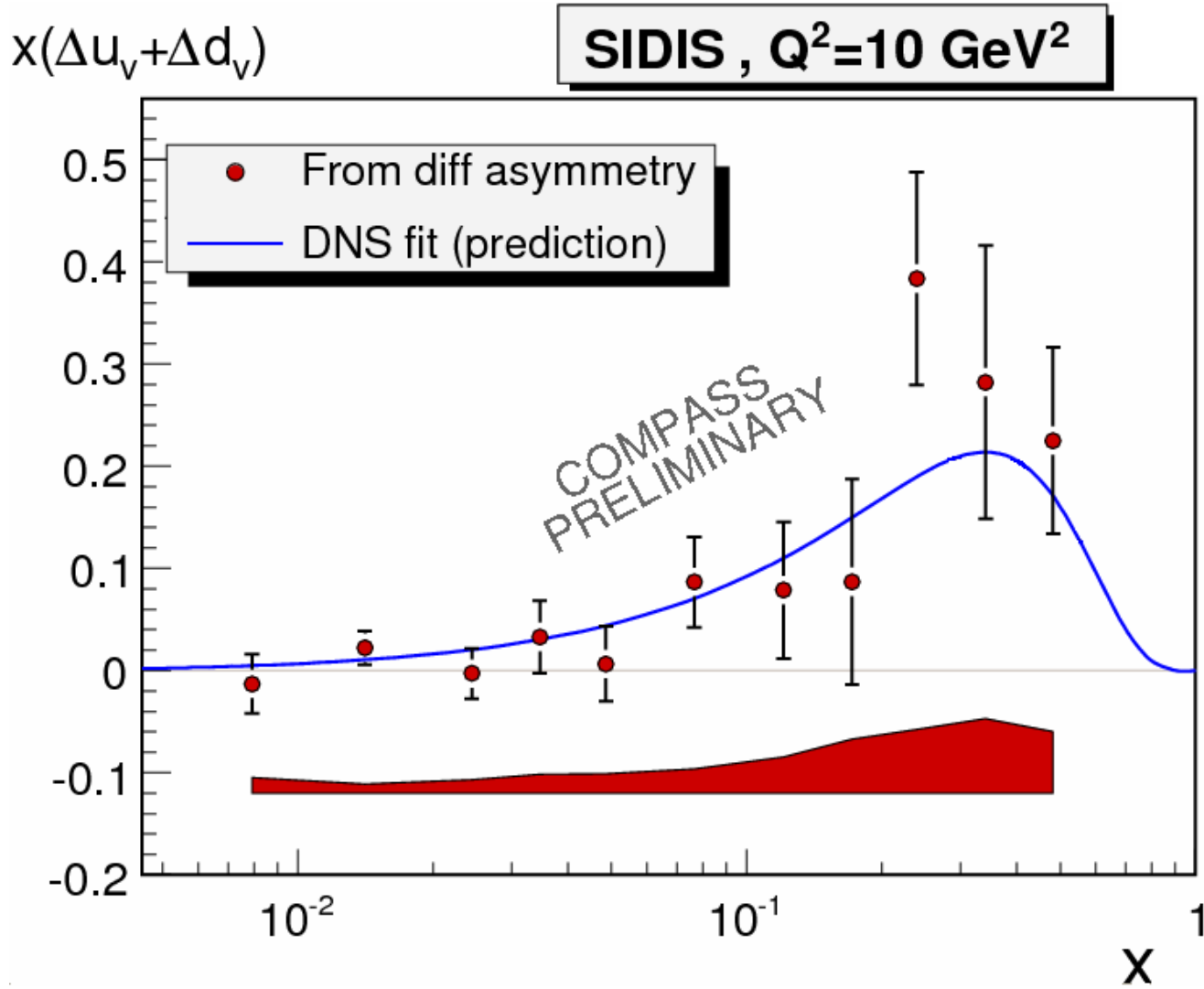
$$\Delta q(x, Q^2=10) = \Delta q(x, Q^2) + \left[\Delta q^{par}(x, Q^2=10) - \Delta q^{par}(x, Q^2) \right]$$

The following parameterization was used:

- **LO DNS** – D. de Florian, G.A. Navarro, R. Sassot, Phys. Rev. D 71 (2005) 094018 (based on KPP parameterization of FF)

$\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v$ results

Valence quark distribution (LO):



$\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v$ results

For large x the unpolarized sea contribution \ll unpolarized valence contribution. Due to positivity conditions $|\Delta q| < q$ the polarized sea contribution to the spin the nucleon can be neglected.

$$\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v = \frac{36}{5} \frac{g_1^d(x, Q^2)}{(1 - 1.5\omega_D)} - \left[2(\Delta \bar{u} + \Delta \bar{d}) + \frac{2}{5}(\Delta \bar{s} + \Delta \bar{s}) \right]$$

- Constraint in SMC & HERMES analyses at $x > 0.3$

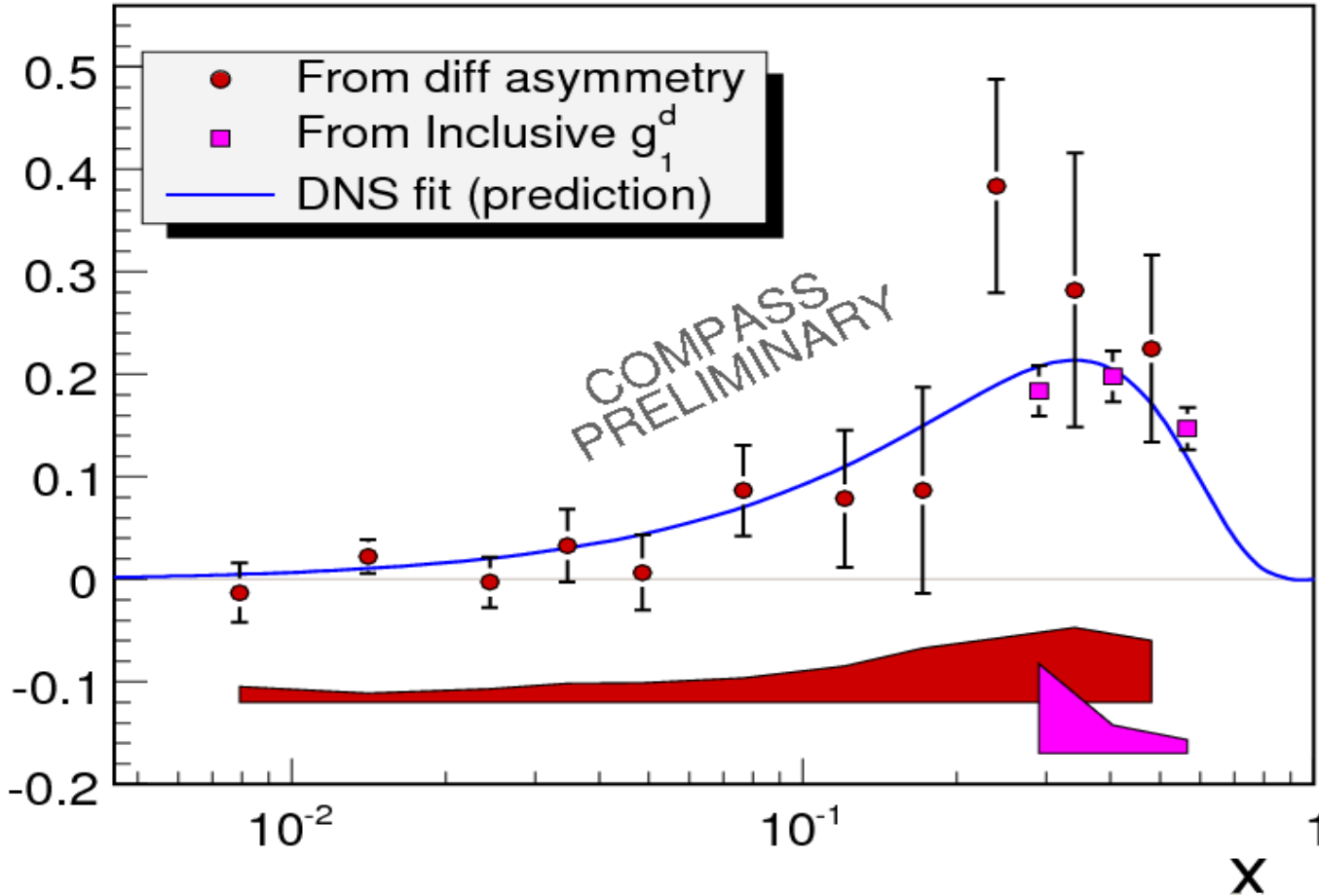
$$\Delta \bar{u} = \Delta \bar{d} = \Delta s = 0$$

- Use of g_1^d results decreases the statistical error on Δ by a factor 6

$\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v$ results

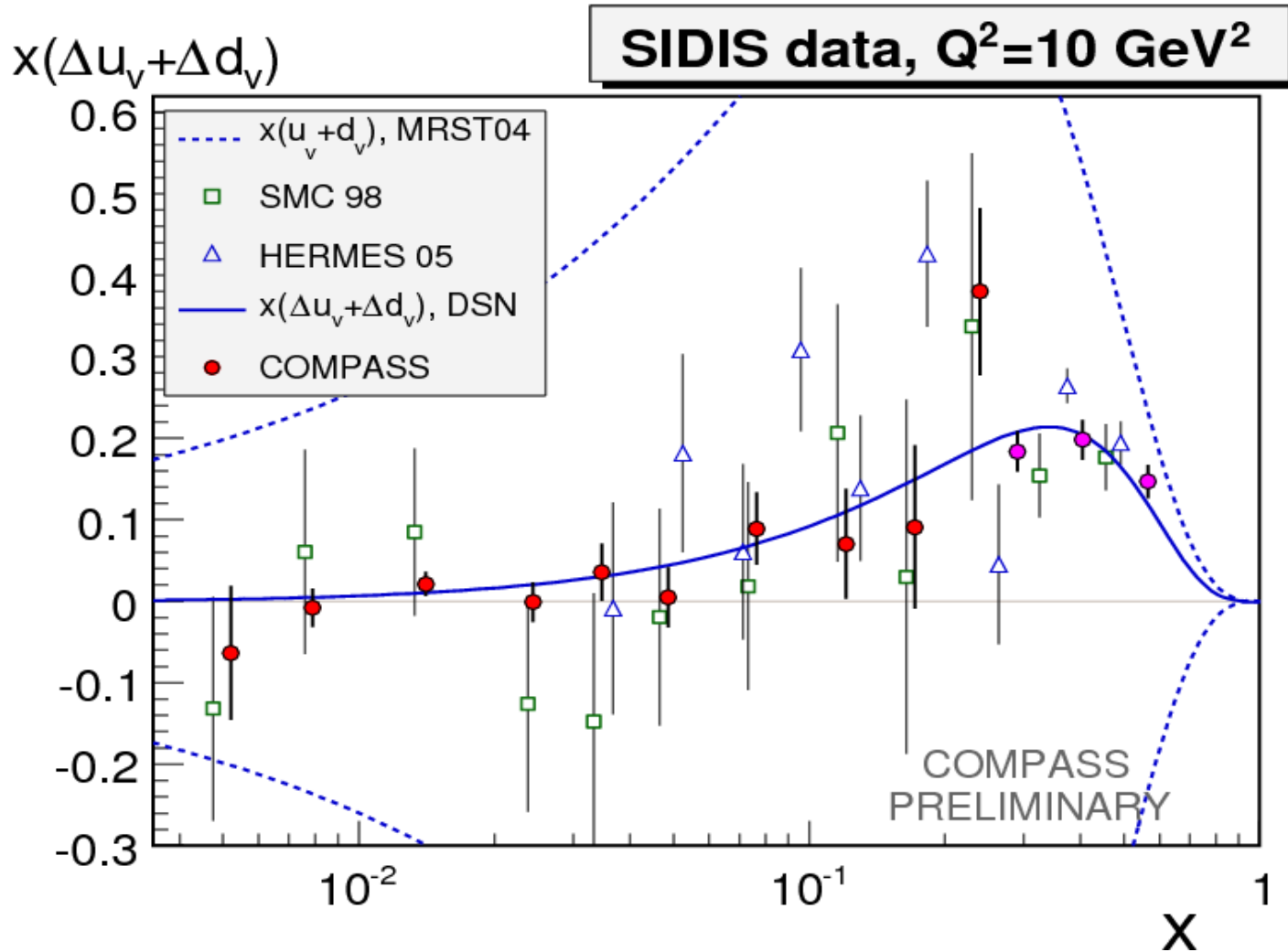
$x(\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v)$

SIDIS+DIS, $Q^2=10 \text{ GeV}^2$



Constraint the Δq at high x region

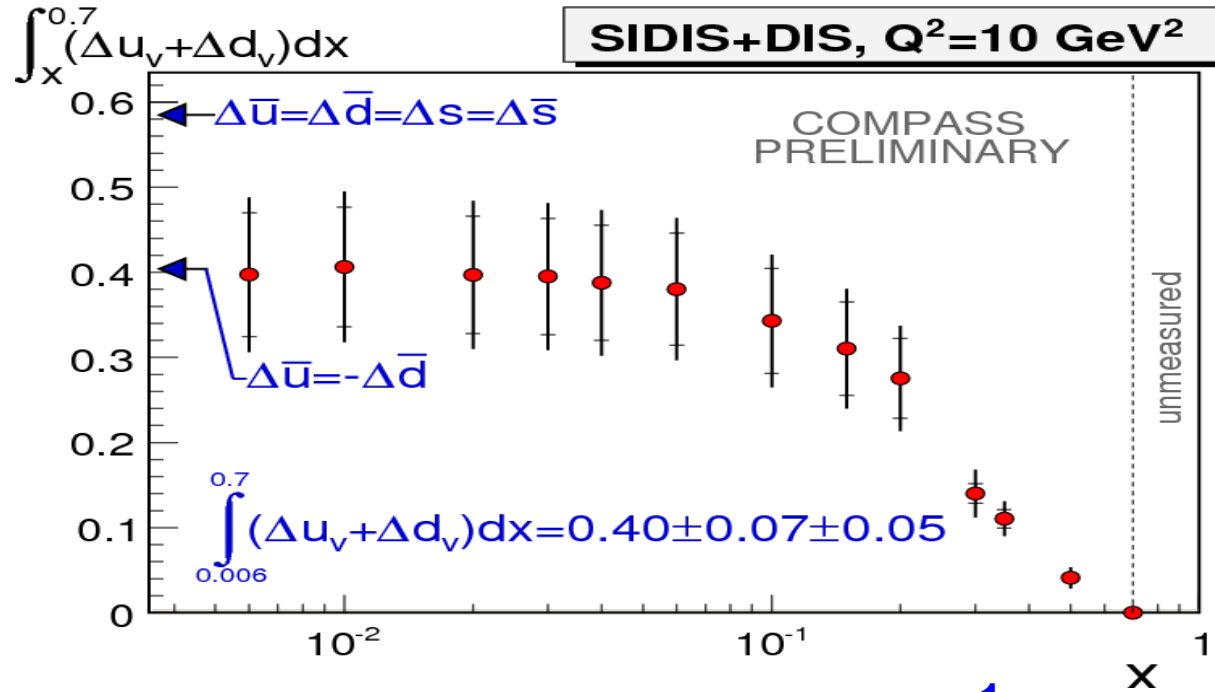
$\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v$ results



The comparison with other experiments

SMC 98, HERMES 05

Estimation for the first moment (LO)



- Contribution from unmeasured region (DNS fit): $\int_{0.7}^1 (\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v) dx = 0.004$
- In small x region the integral is **flat**.
- The value of Γ_v differs by $2.5\sigma_{\text{stat}}$ from symmetric sea scenario:

$$(\Delta \bar{u} + \Delta \bar{d}) \Big|_{Q^2=10 \text{ GeV}^2}^{\text{SIDIS+DIS}} = (\Delta s + \Delta \bar{s}) + \frac{1}{2}(a_8 - \Gamma_v) = 0.0 \pm 0.04$$

This doesn't mean $\Delta \bar{u} = 0, \Delta \bar{d} = 0$

Estimation for the first moments (LO)

	x -range	Q^2 GeV ²	$\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v$		$\Delta \bar{u} + \Delta \bar{d}$	
			Exp. value	DNS	Exp. value	DNS
SMC 98	0.003–0.7	10	$0.26 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.11$	0.386	$0.02 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.06$	−0.009
HERMES 05	0.023–0.6	2.5	$0.43 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.06$	0.363	$-0.06 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.03$	−0.005
COMPASS	0.006–0.7	10	$0.40 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.05$	0.385	$0.0 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.03$	−0.007

- The x ranges for SMC98 and COMPASS are like
- The SMC results were obtained with the assumption:
 $\Delta \bar{u} = \Delta \bar{d} = \Delta s = \Delta \bar{s}$ ($SU(3)_f$ symmetric sea)
- The COMPASS data were not used in the DNS fit.

Summary

- Hadron asymmetries A^{h^+} , A^{h^-} and $A^{h^+-h^-}$ are obtained with **deuteron** COMPASS data (2002 - 2004).
- Use of $A^{h^+-h^-}$ and A_1 asymmetries on deuteron target allows to extract $\Delta u_v + \Delta d_v$.
- DNS prediction is in agreement with obtained result.
- $SU(3)_f$ symmetric sea scenario is **disfavored** with a significance $\sim 2\sigma$.
- To separate $\overline{\Delta u}$ & $\overline{\Delta d}$ we will use the proton data of year 2007.