

The US Electron Ion Collider Project

- What is the Electron Ion Collider?
- What physics is motivating it?
 - MPI in nucleons and nuclei:
 - Precision study of role of Gluons in QCD
- What is the status? Connections to MPI's





The 2015
LONG RANGE PLAN
 for **NUCLEAR SCIENCE**



<http://science.energy.gov/np/reports>

RECOMMENDATION:

We recommend a high-energy high-luminosity polarized EIC as the highest priority for new facility construction following the completion of FRIB.

Initiatives:

Theory

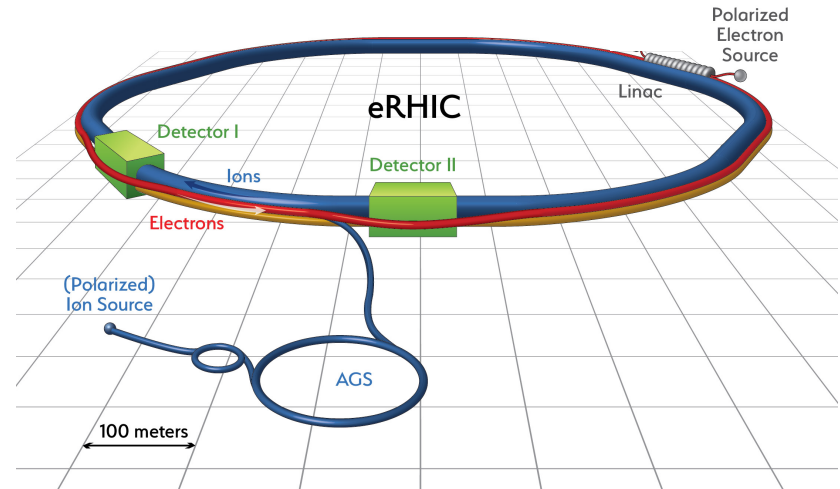
Detector & Accelerator R&D

NEW Money for EIC Accelerator
 R&D already assigned \$7m/yr

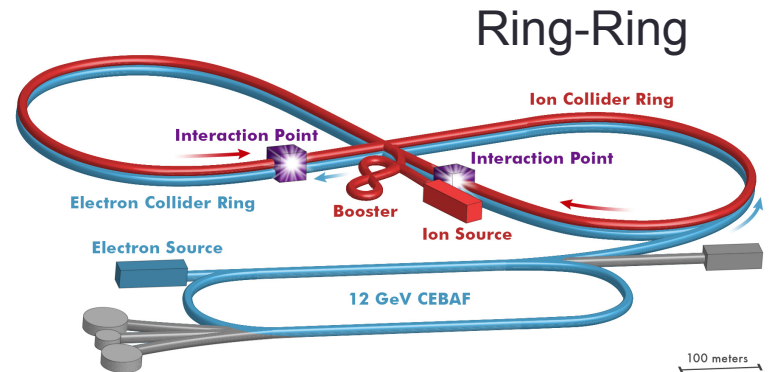
Detector R&D money ~1.3M/yr
 Significant increase anticipated

The Electron Ion Collider

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**Electron Ion Collider:
The Next QCD Frontier**

Understanding the glue
that binds us all

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SECOND EDITION

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For e-N collisions at the EIC:

- ✓ Polarized beams: e, p, d/³He
- ✓ e beam 5-10(20) GeV
- ✓ Luminosity $L_{ep} \sim 10^{33-34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1}$
100-1000 times HERA
- ✓ 20-100 (140) GeV Variable CoM

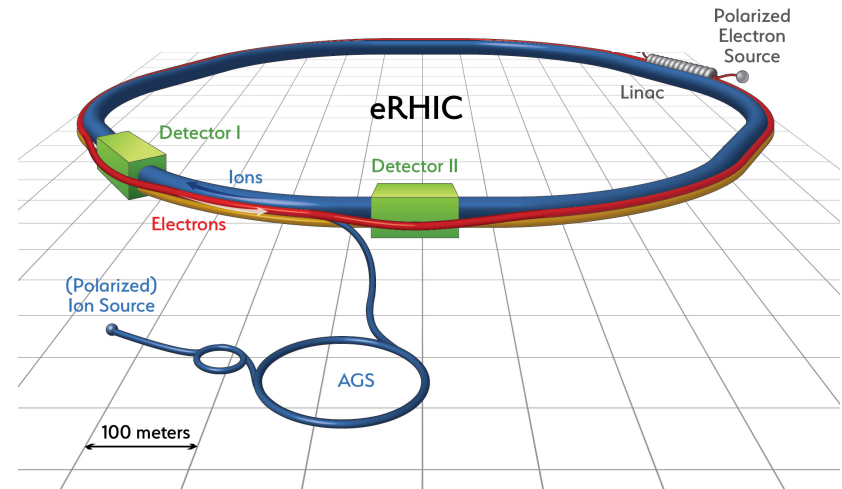
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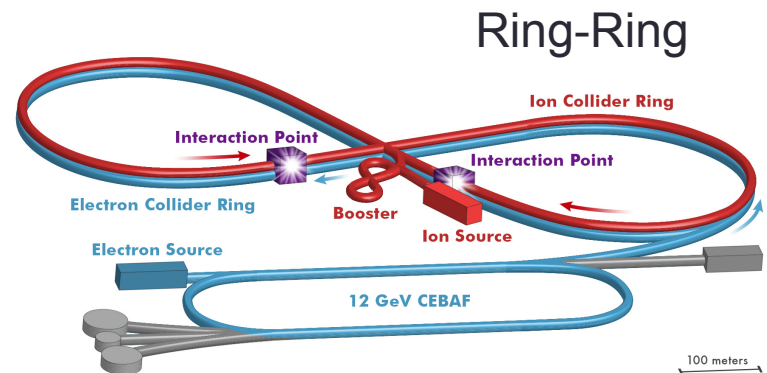
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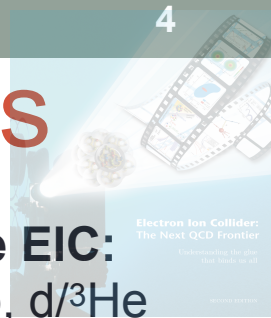
**Polarized electron-proton/light ion
and electron-Nucleus collider**

Both designs use DOE's significant
investments in infrastructure

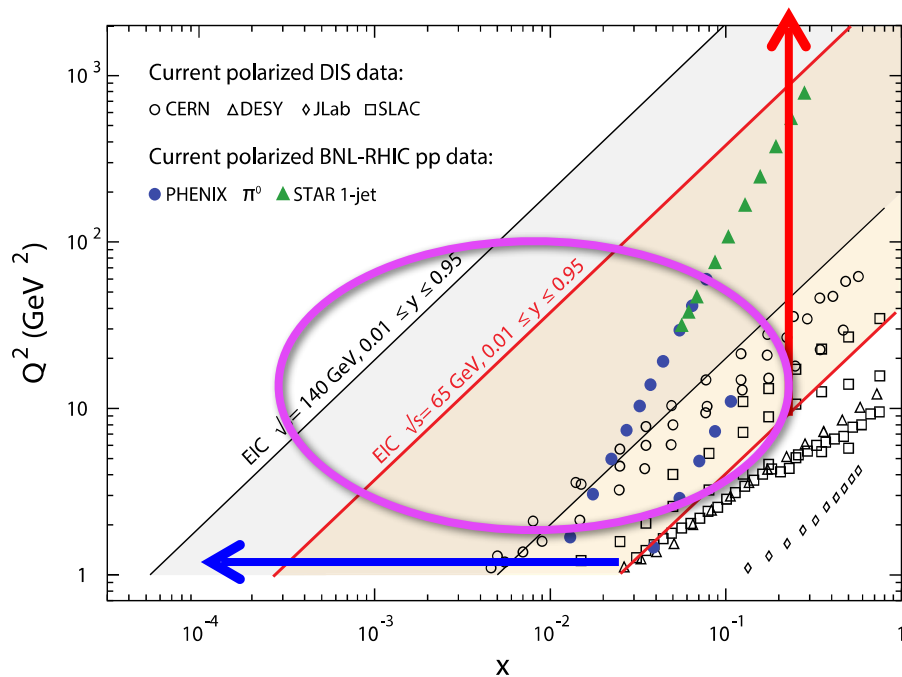


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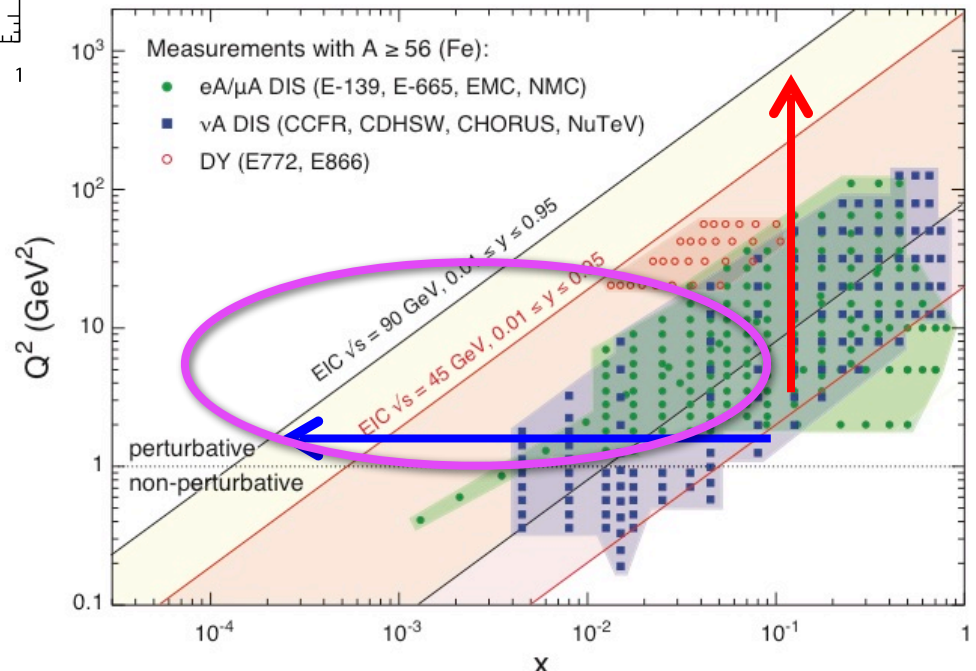
EIC: Kinematic reach & properties



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 - ✓ Wide x range → spanning valence to low-x physics

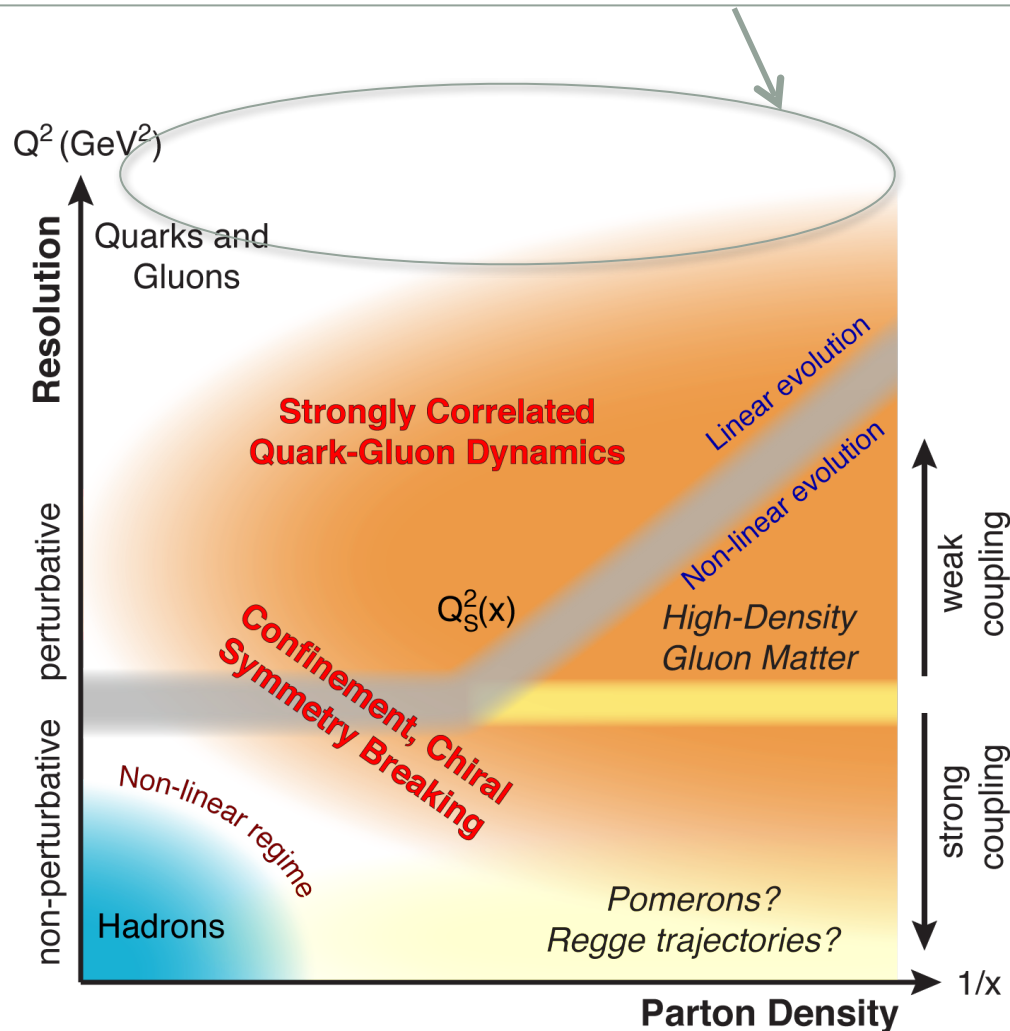
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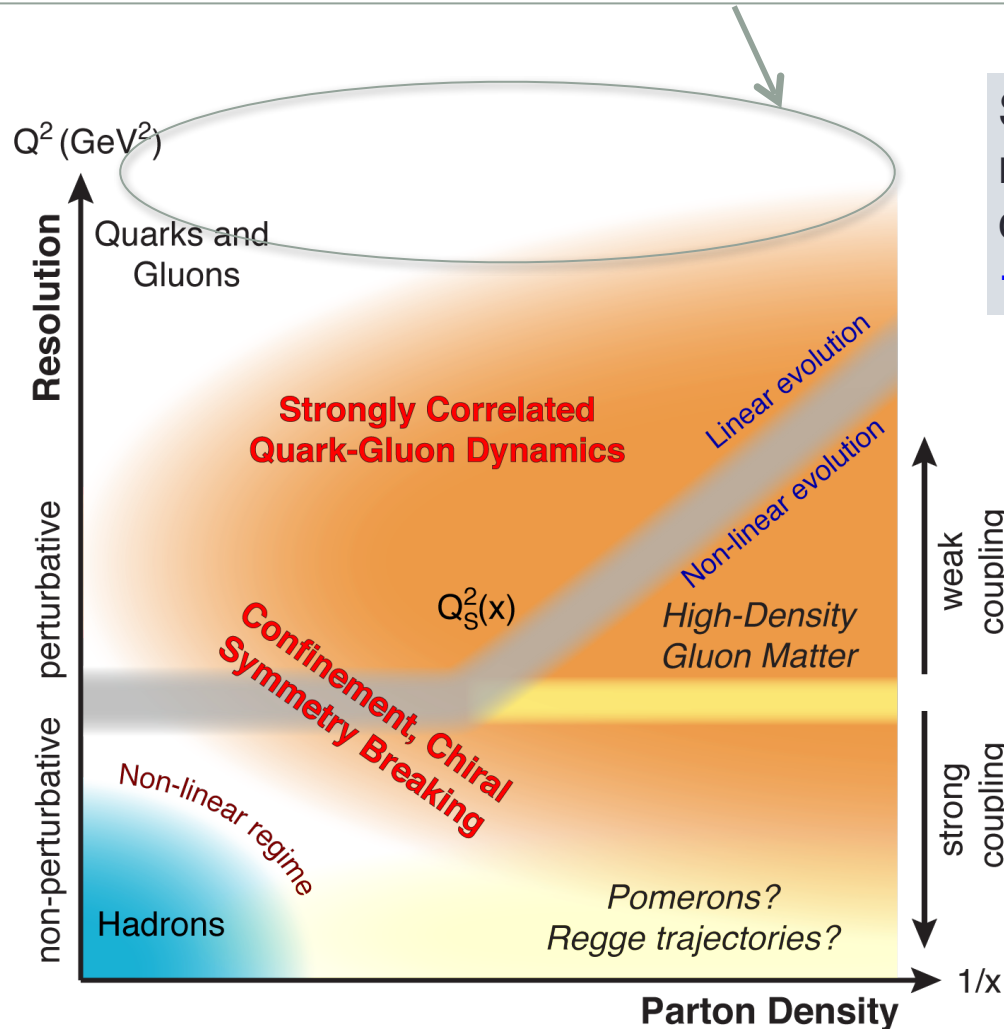
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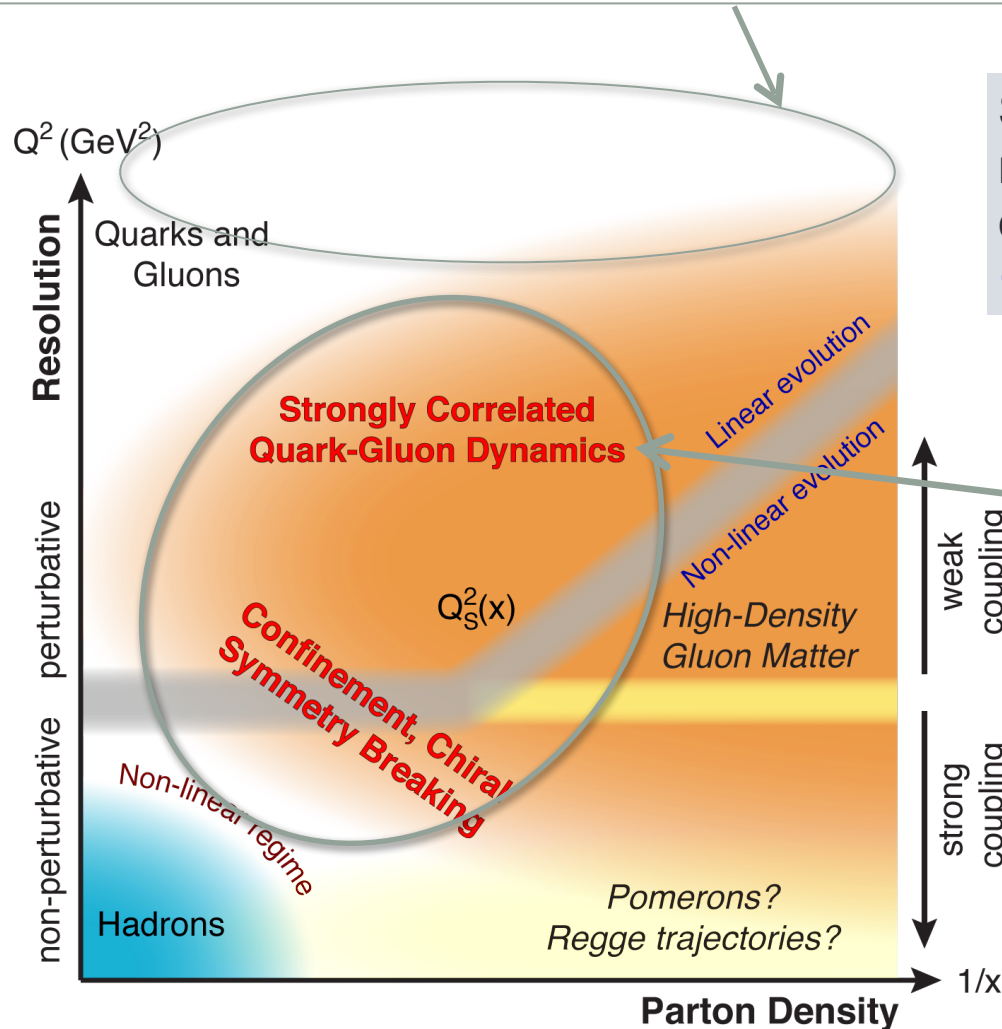
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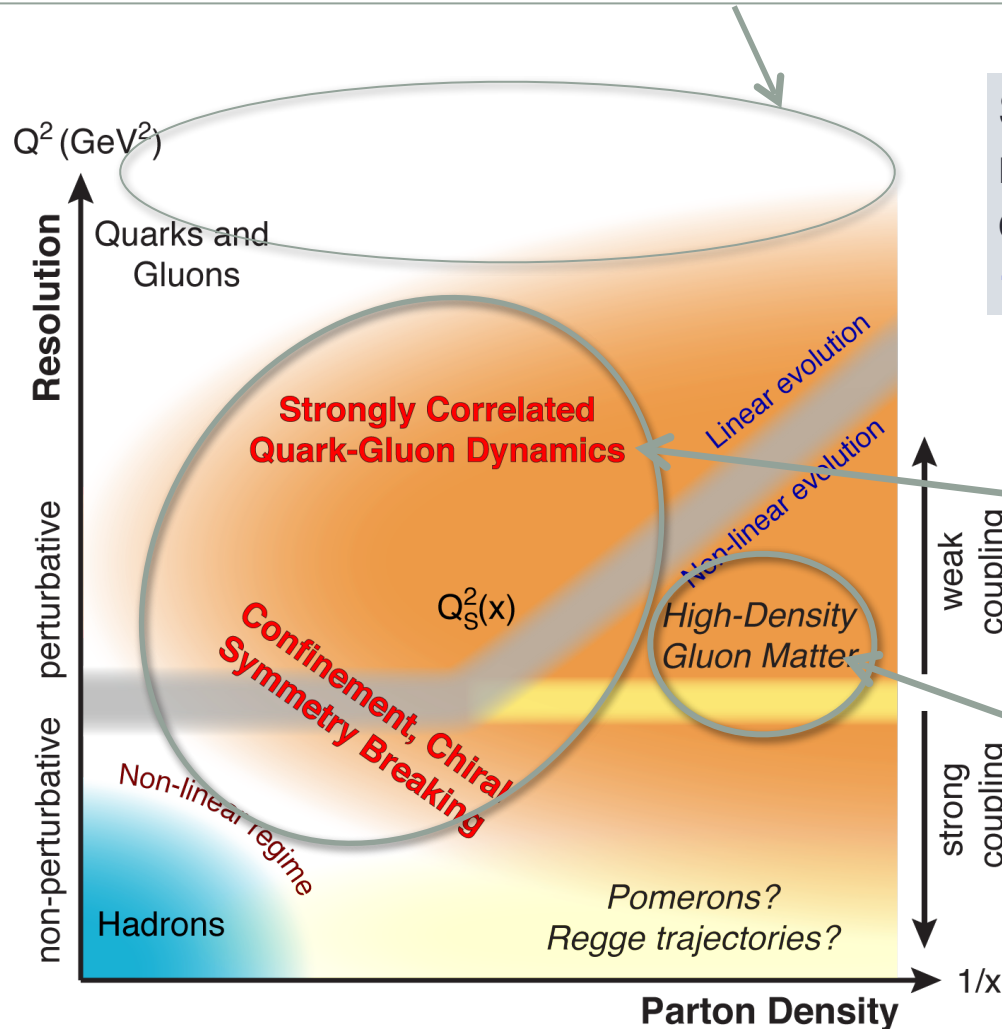


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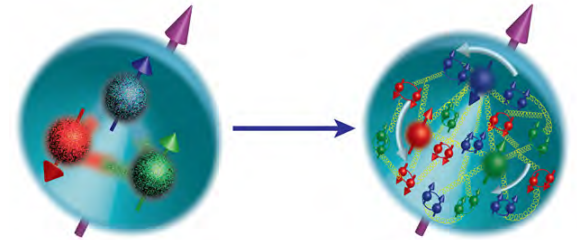
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An exciting opportunity: Observation by EIC of a new regime in QCD of weakly coupled high density matter

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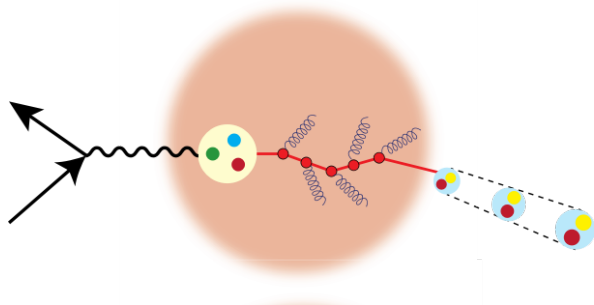
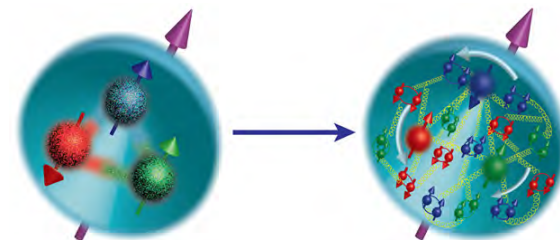
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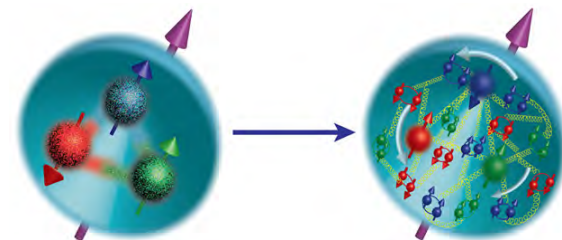
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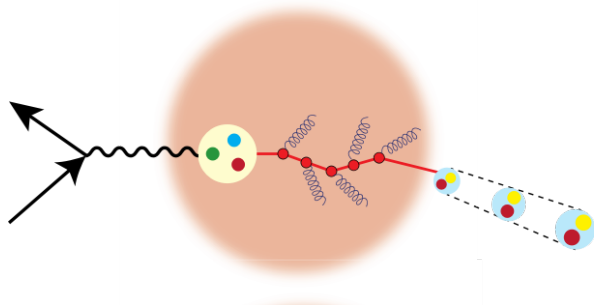
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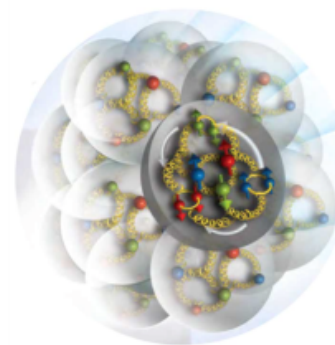
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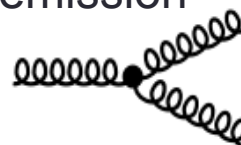


How does a dense nuclear environment affect the quarks and gluons, their correlations, and their interactions?

What happens to the gluon density in nuclei? Does it saturate at high energy, giving rise to a gluonic matter with universal properties in all nuclei, even the proton?



gluon emission



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gluon recombination

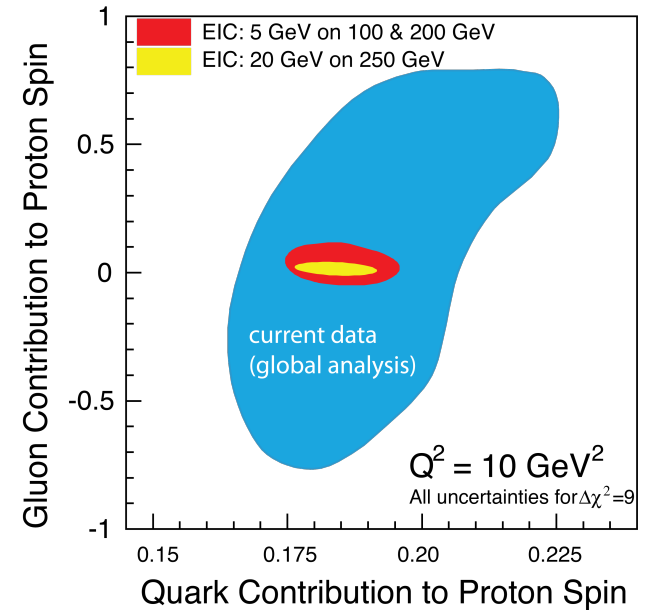


Nucleon's Spin:

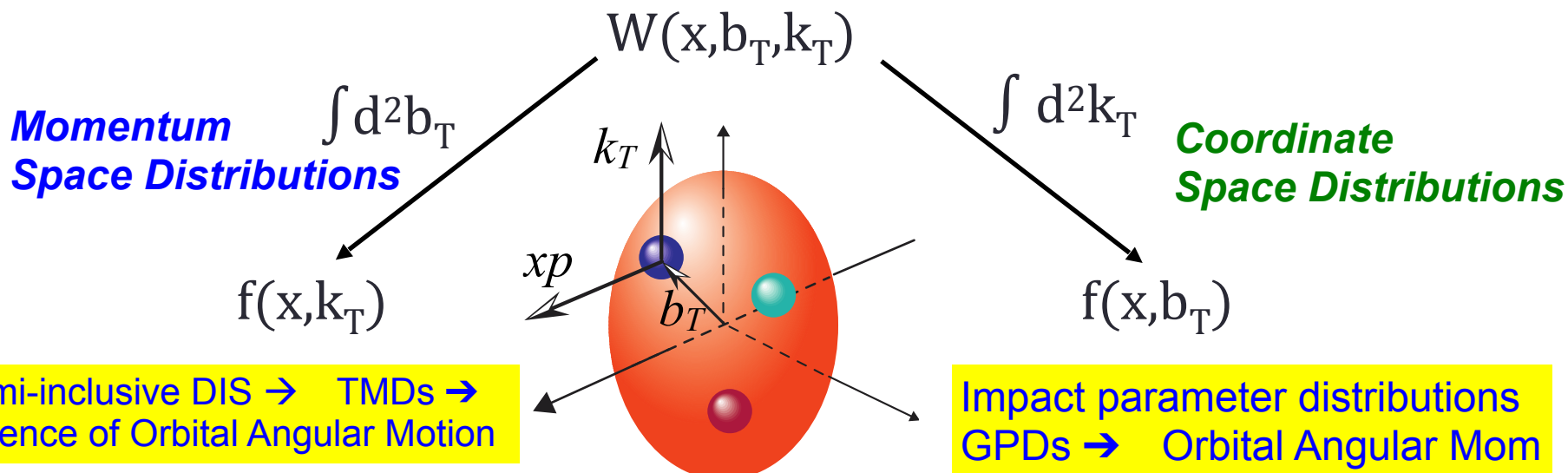
results from multi-partonic interactions

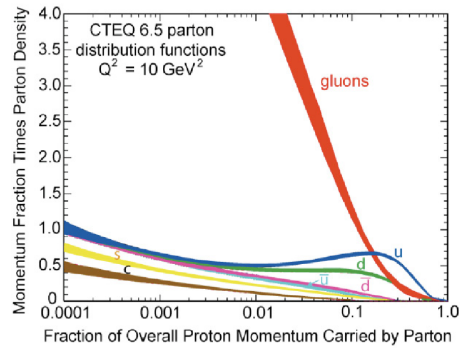
"Helicity sum rule"

$$\frac{1}{2}\hbar = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma}_{\text{quark contribution}} + \underbrace{\Delta G}_{\text{gluon contribution}} + \underbrace{\sum_q L_q^z + L_g^z}_{\text{orbital angular momentum}}$$



3D imaging of quarks and gluons in a nucleon: Wigner Functions



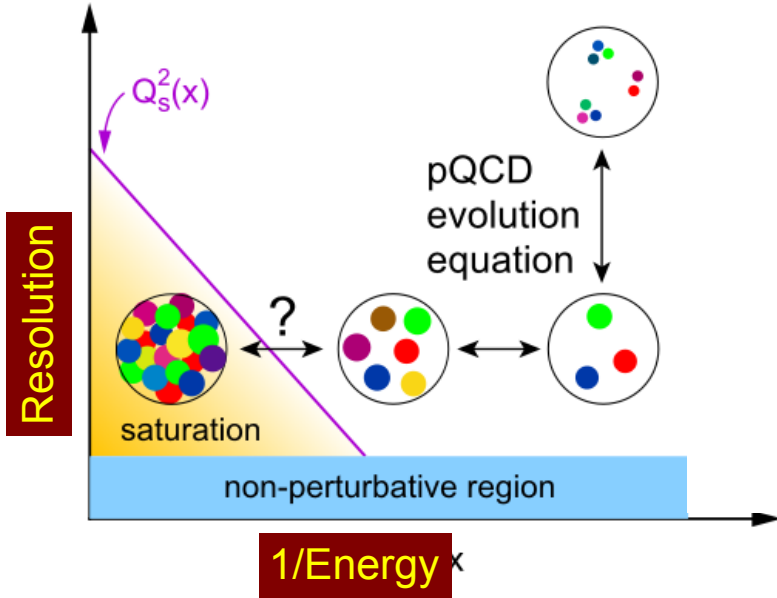
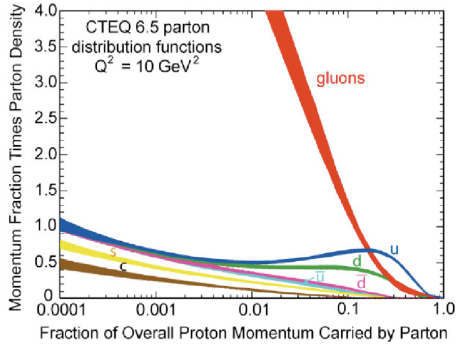


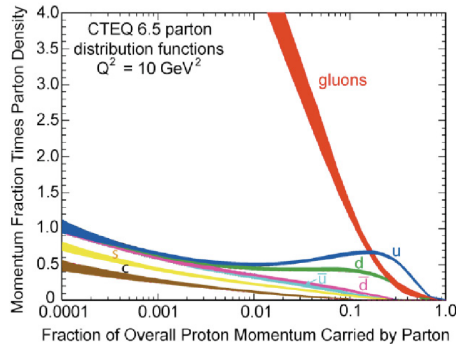
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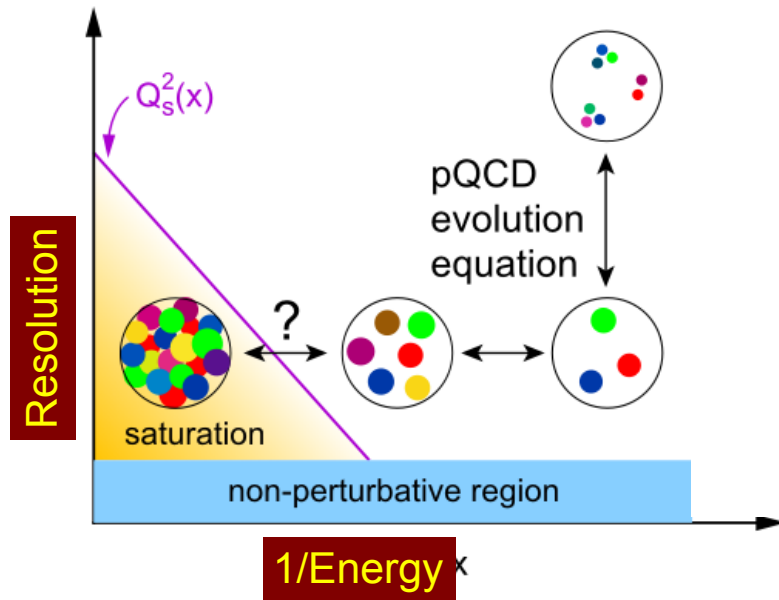




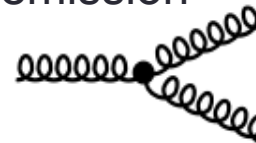
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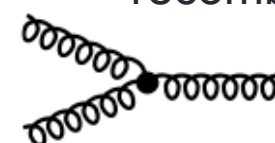


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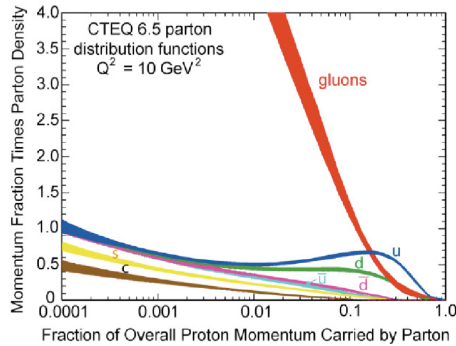


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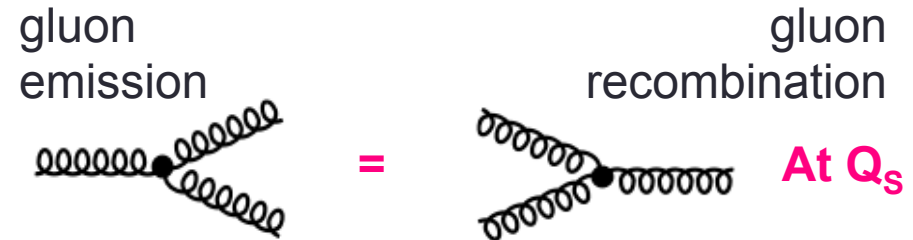
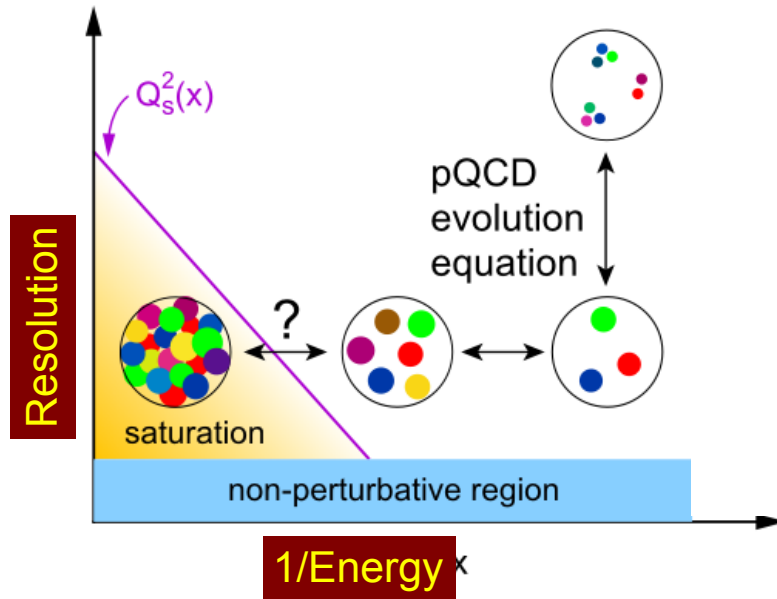
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First unambiguous observation of gluon recombination effects in nuclei:

→ leading to a **collective gluonic system!**

First observation of g-g recombination in **different** nuclei

Is this a **universal property?**

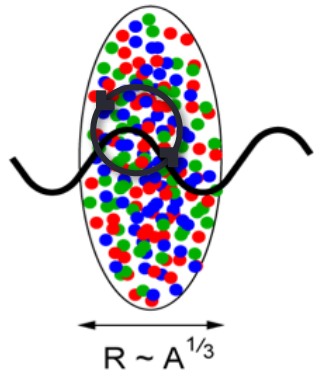
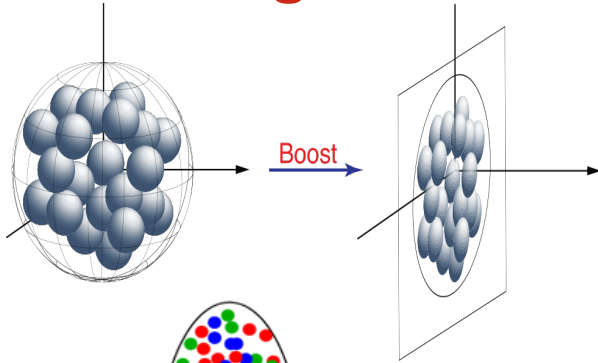
Is the **Color Glass Condensate** the correct effective theory?

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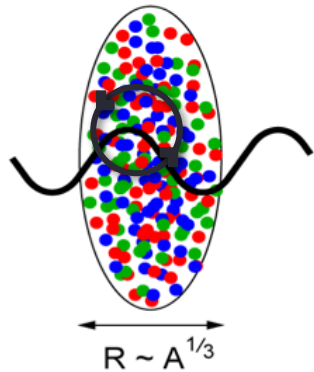
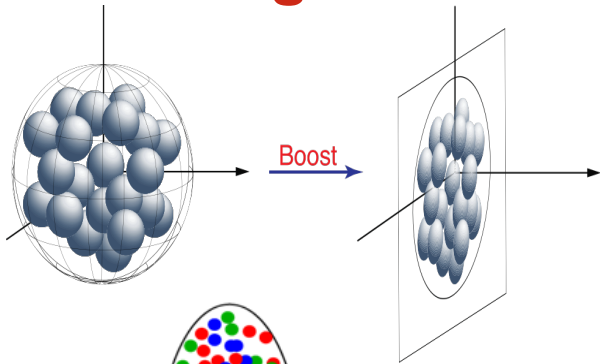
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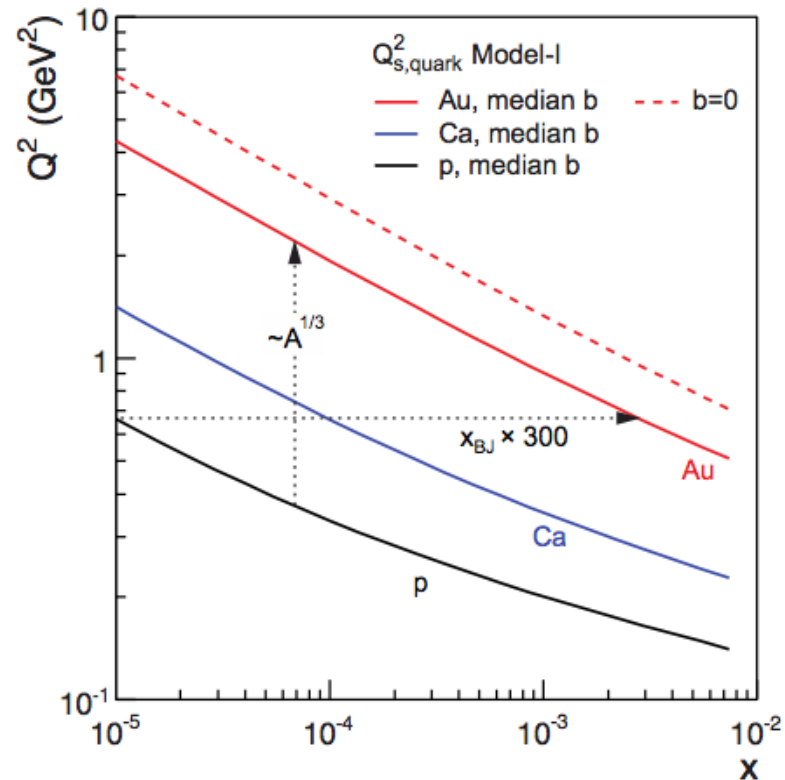
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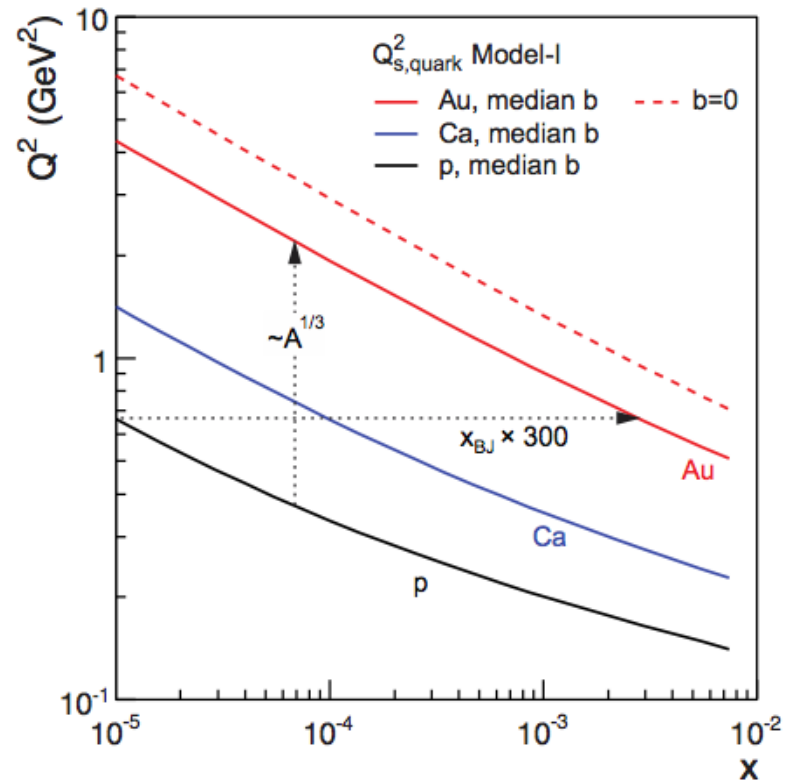
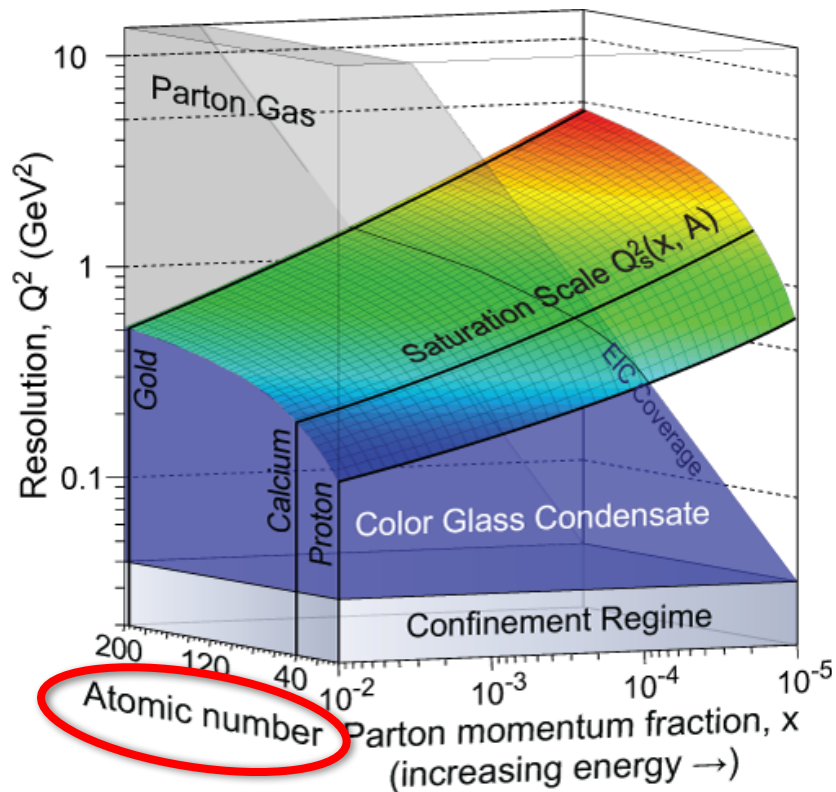


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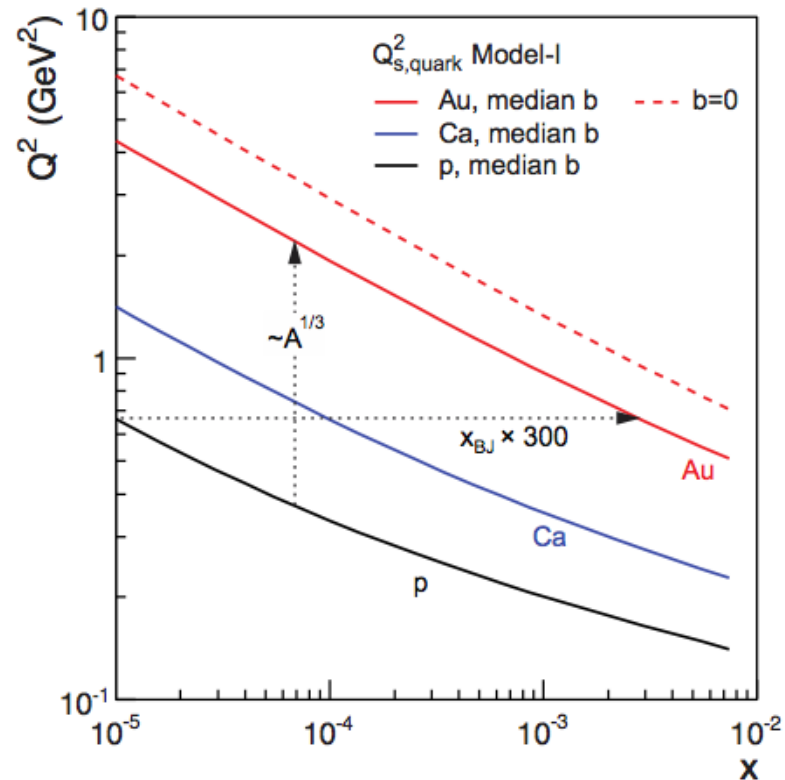
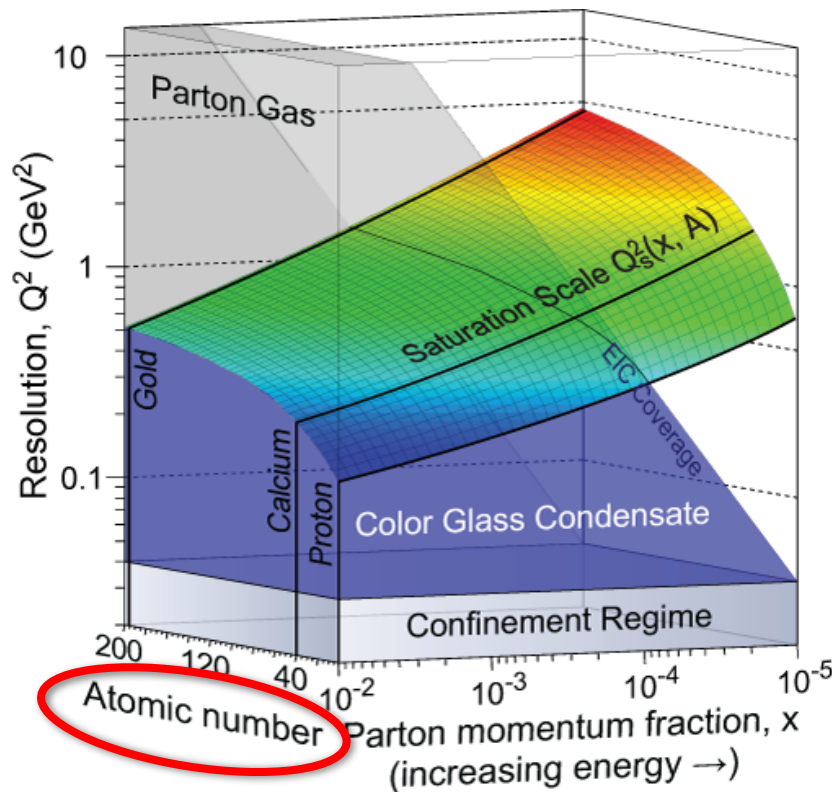


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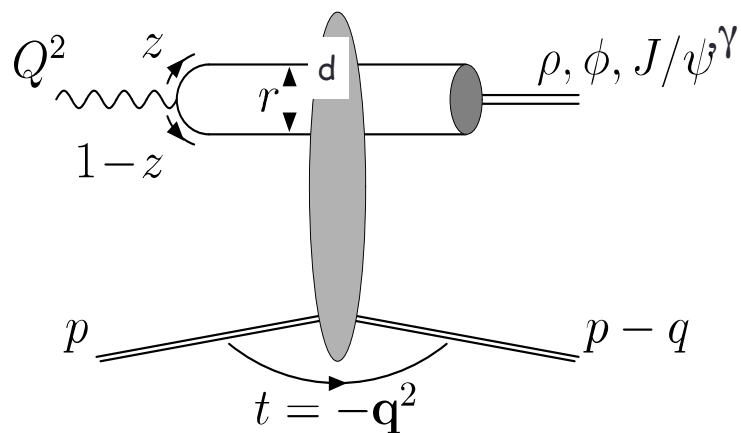
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Enhancement of Q_s with A :
Saturation regime reached at significantly lower energy (read: “cost”) in nuclei

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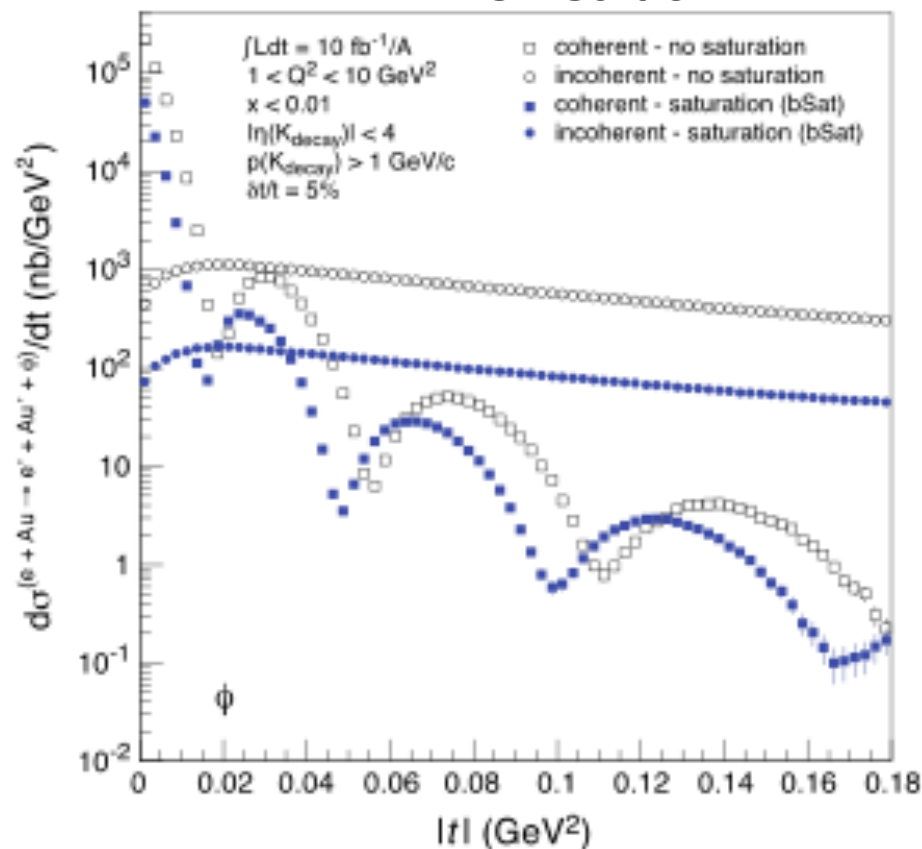


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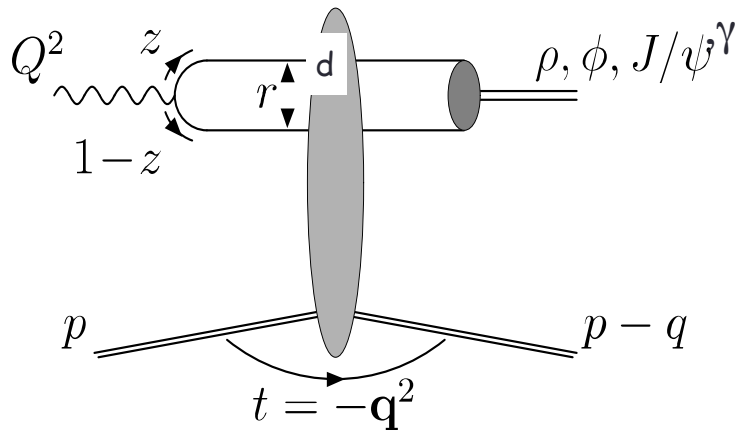
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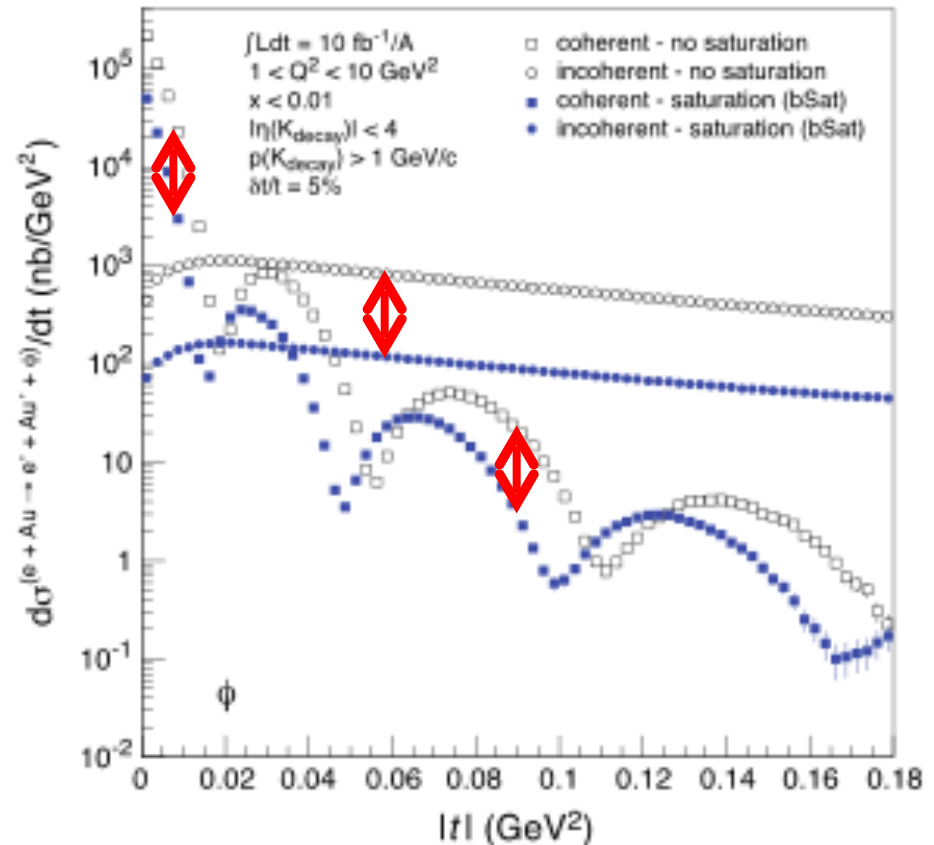


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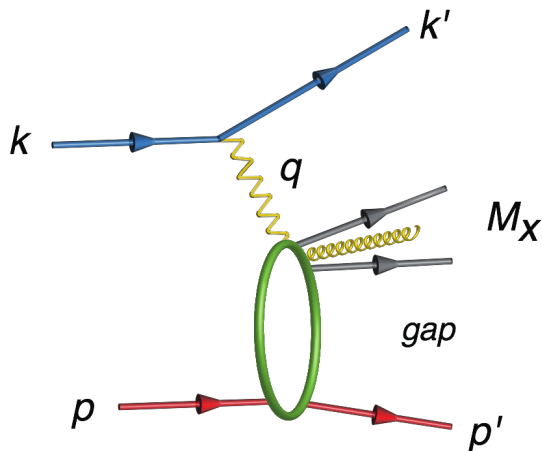


Simulation study by Toll & Ullrich

Saturation/CGC: What to measure?

Many ways to get to gluon distribution in nuclei, but diffraction most sensitive:

$$\sigma_{\text{diff}} \propto [g(x, Q^2)]^2$$

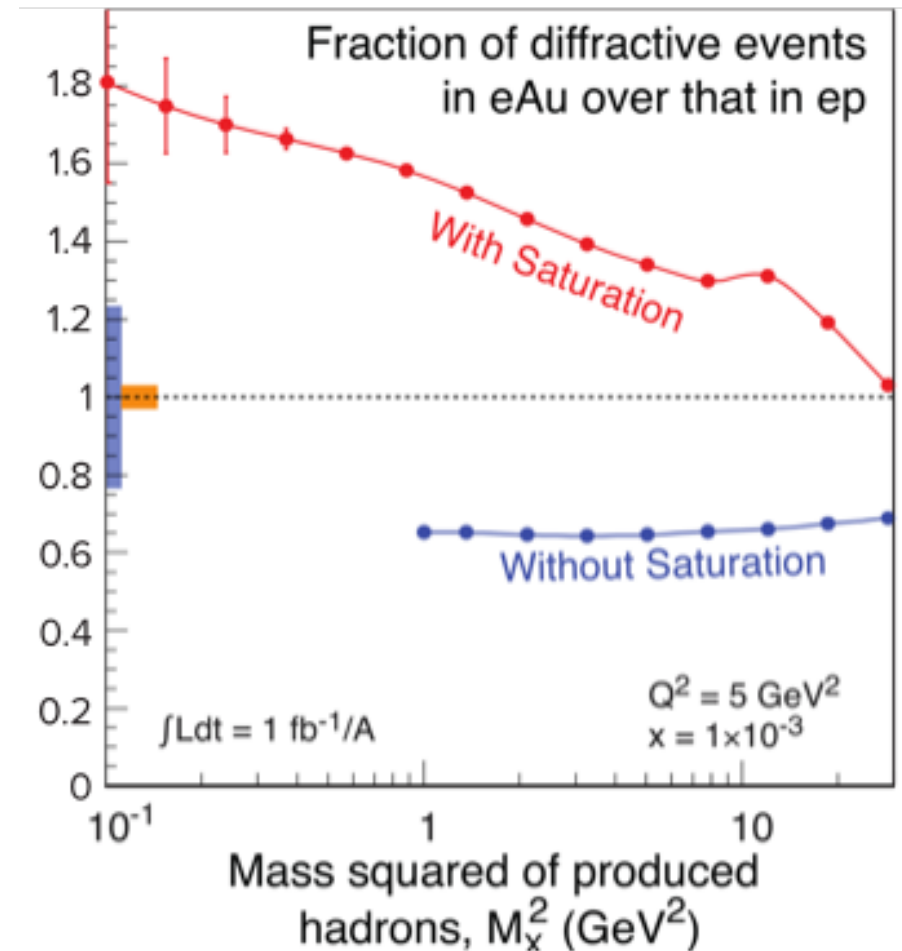


At HERA

ep: 10-15% diffractive

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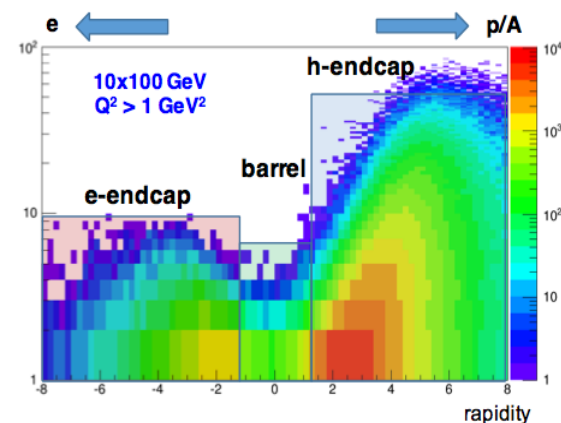
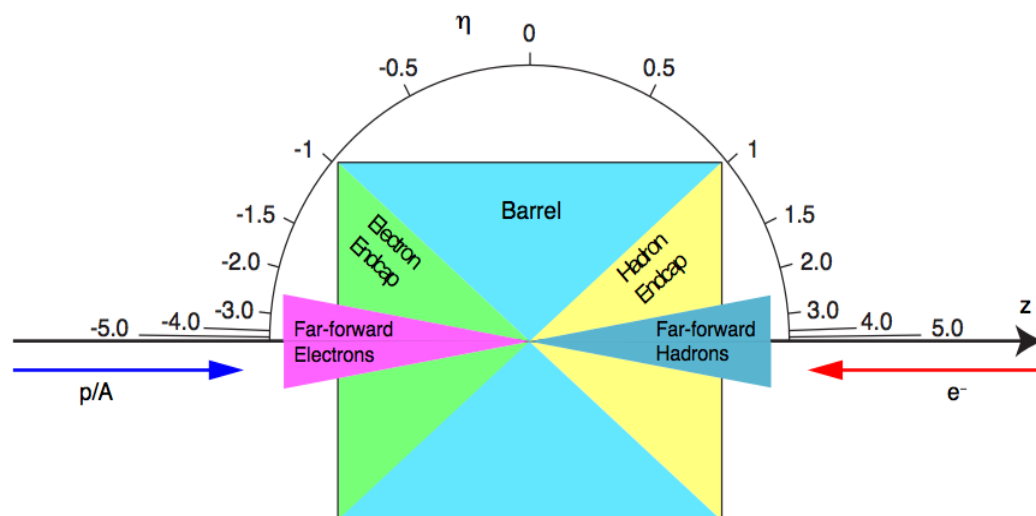
eA: 25-30% diffractive



Requirements are mostly site-independent with some slight differences in the forward region (IR integration)

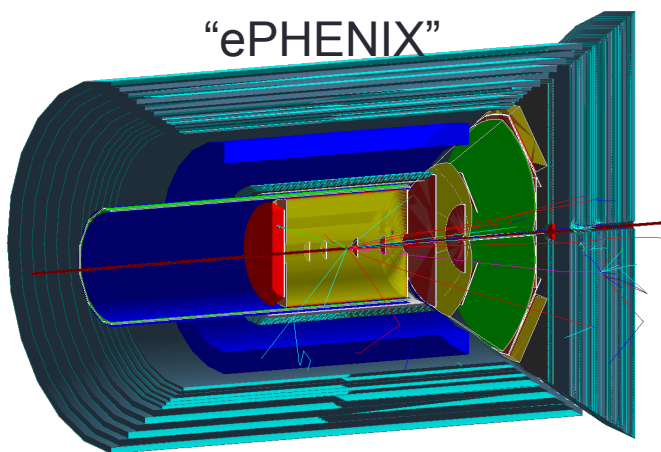
In Short:

- Hermetic detector, low mass inner tracking, good PID (e and π /K/p) in wide range, calorimetry
- Moderate radiation hardness requirements, low pile-up, low multiplicity

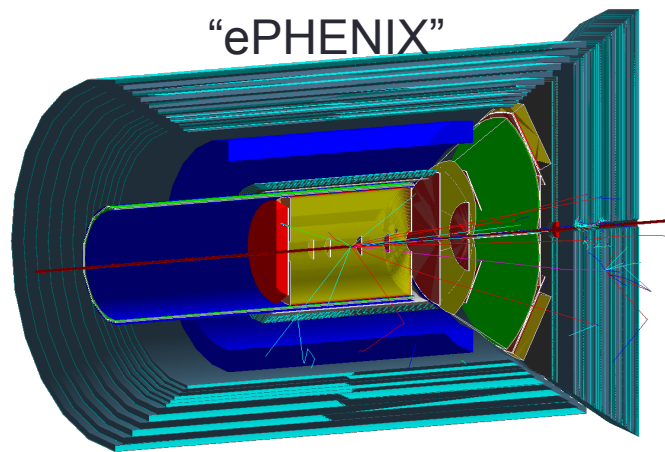


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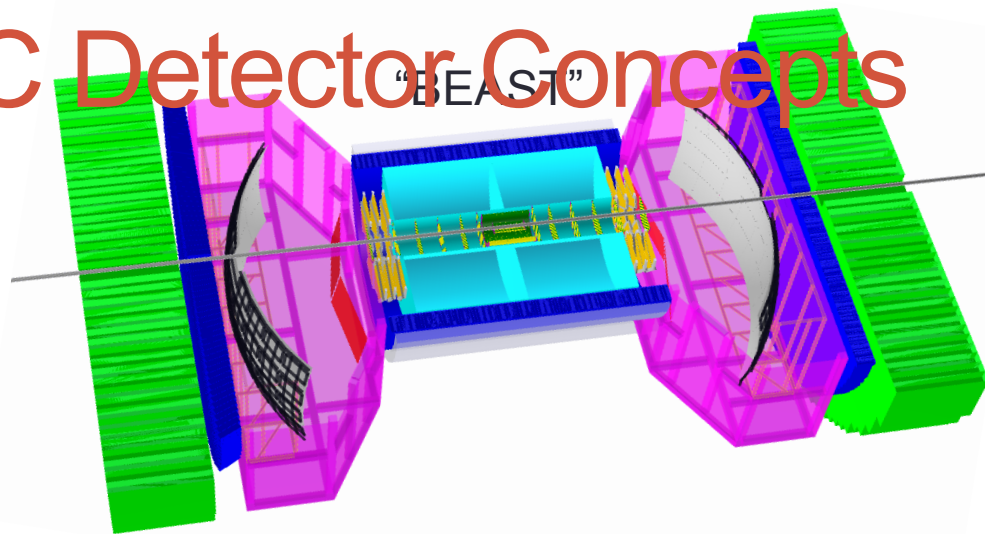
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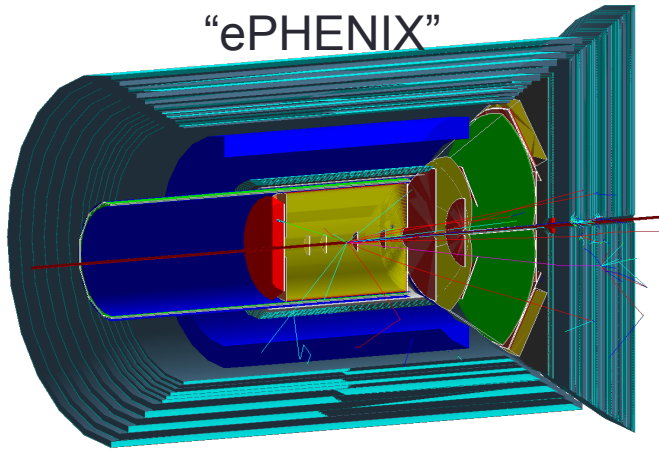


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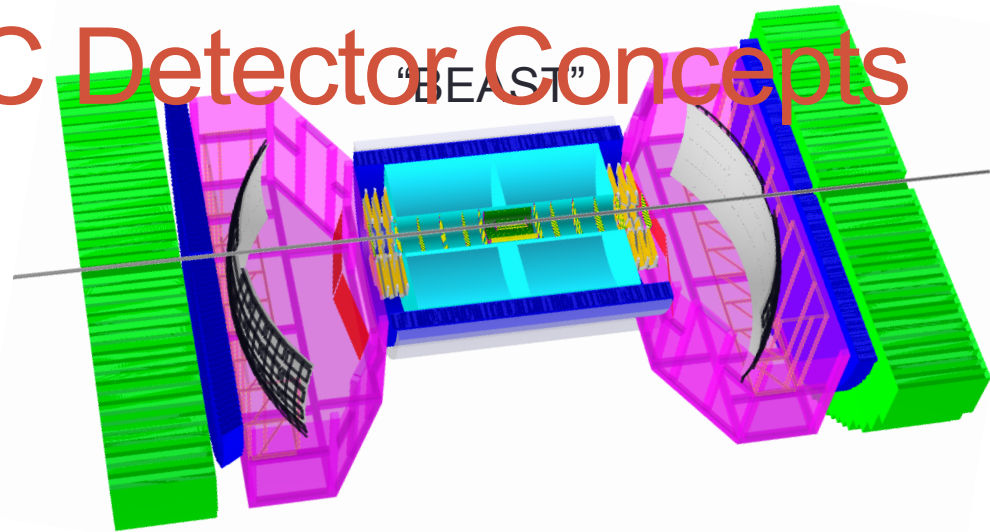


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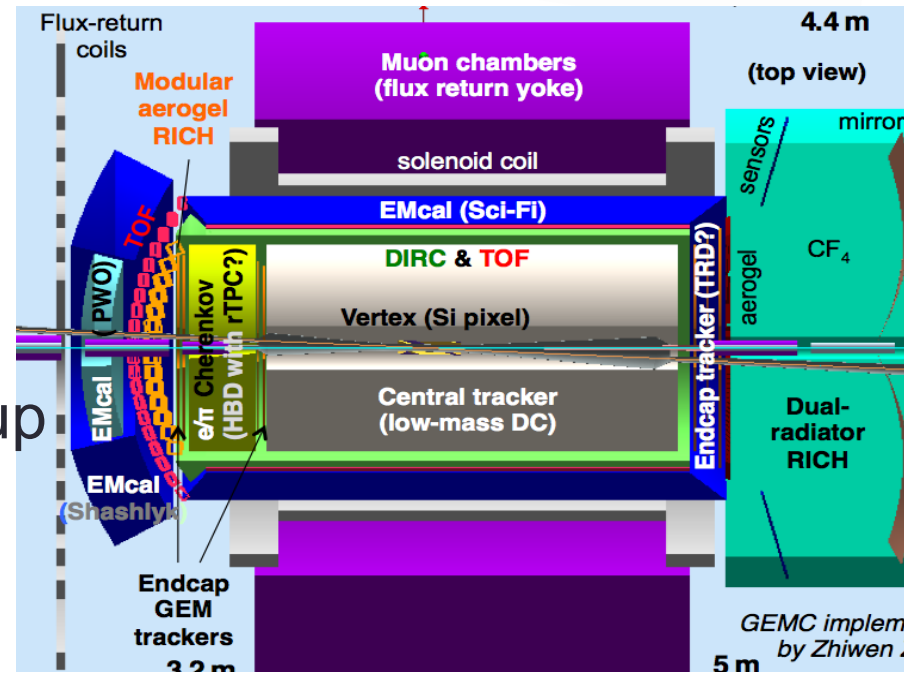




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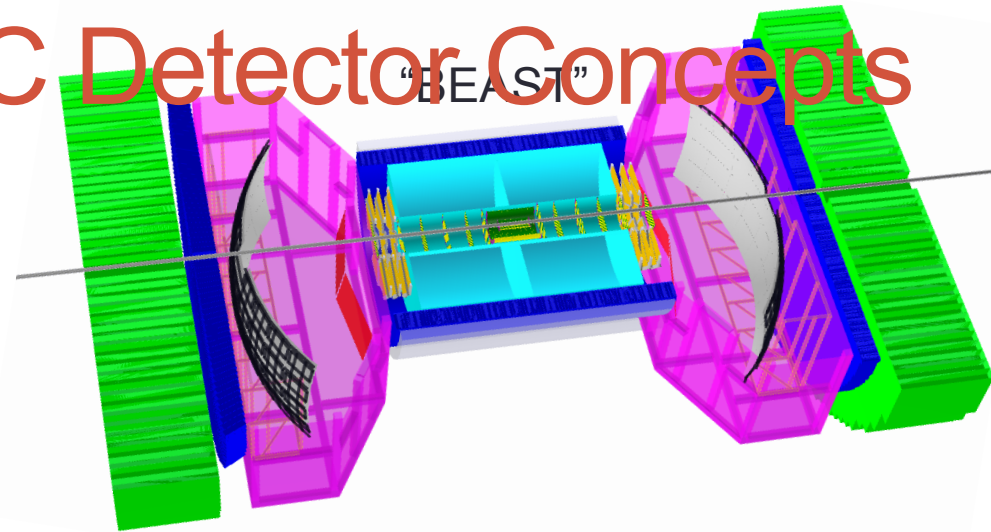
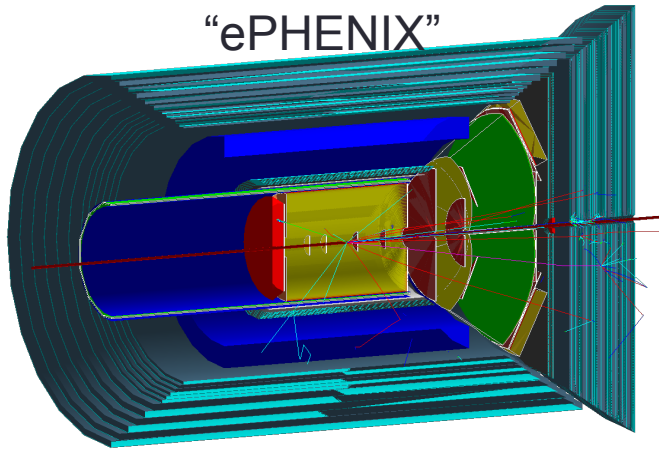


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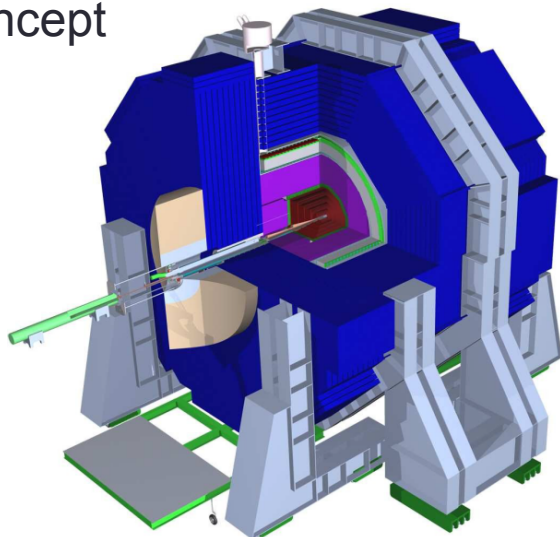


Other ideas from the Users Group are welcome! (essential!)

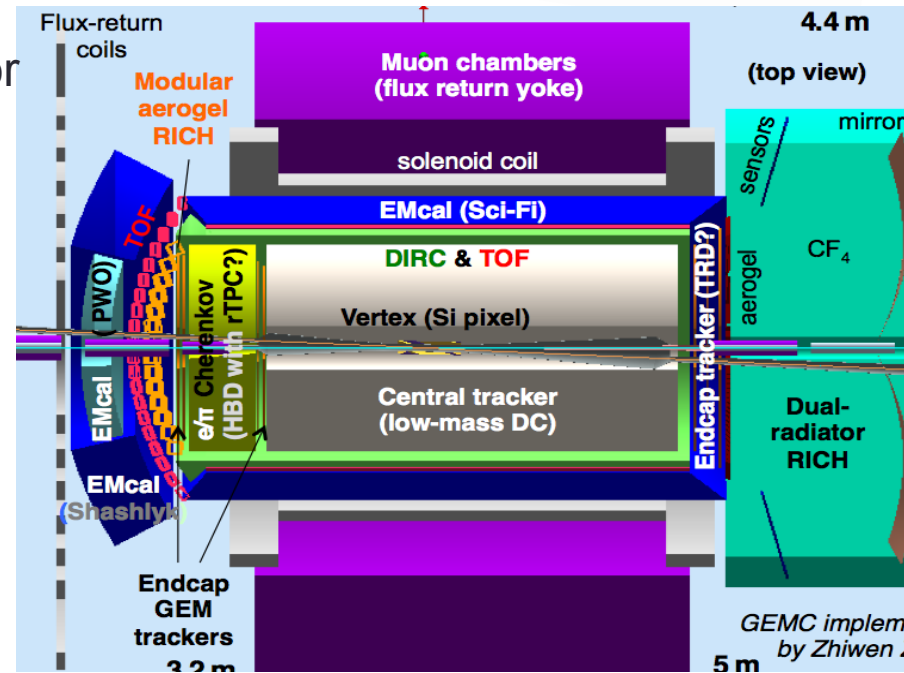
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ANL's: "SiEIC Detector" Si-tracker & Precision calorimetry: particle flow detector concept



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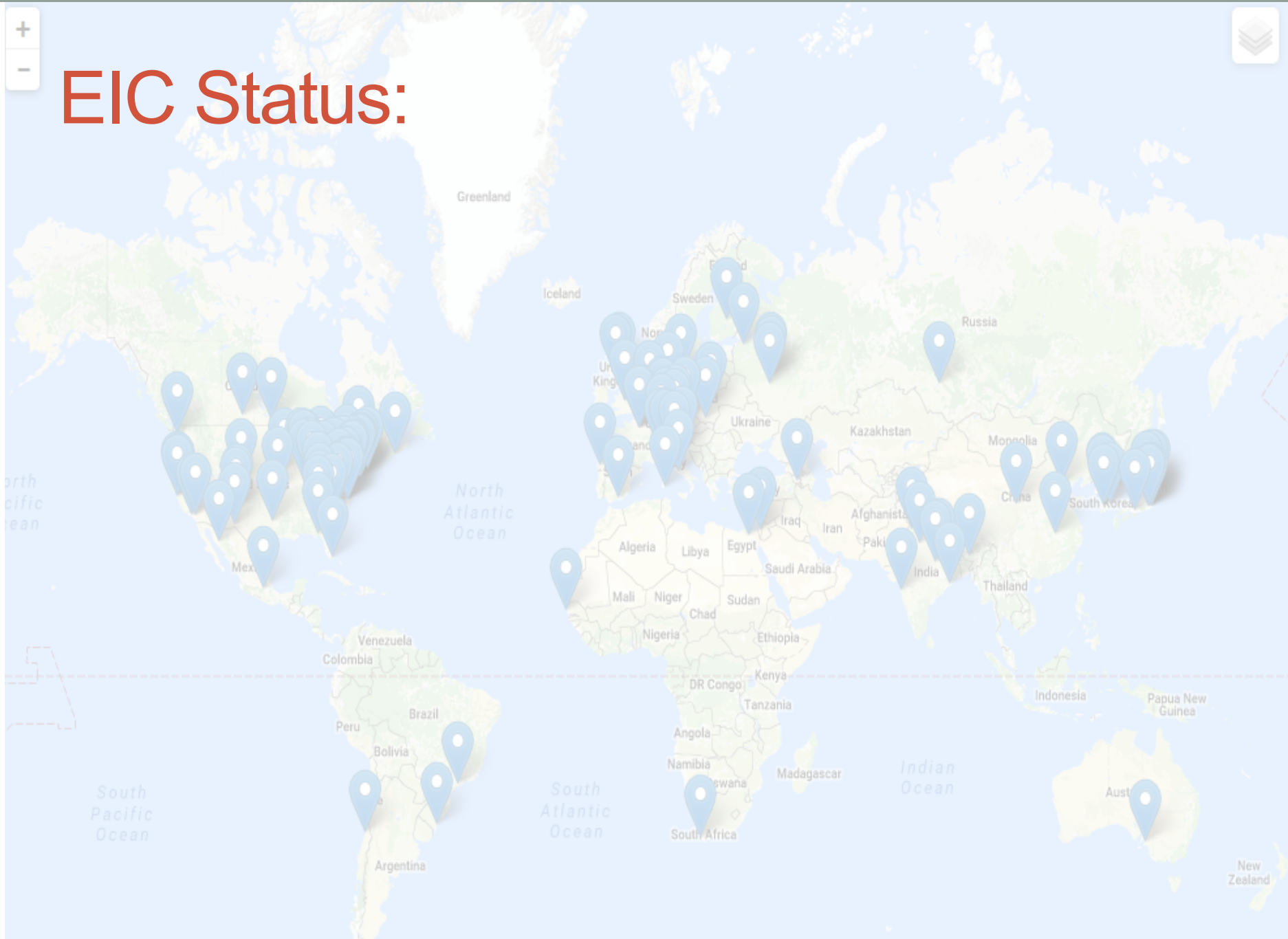




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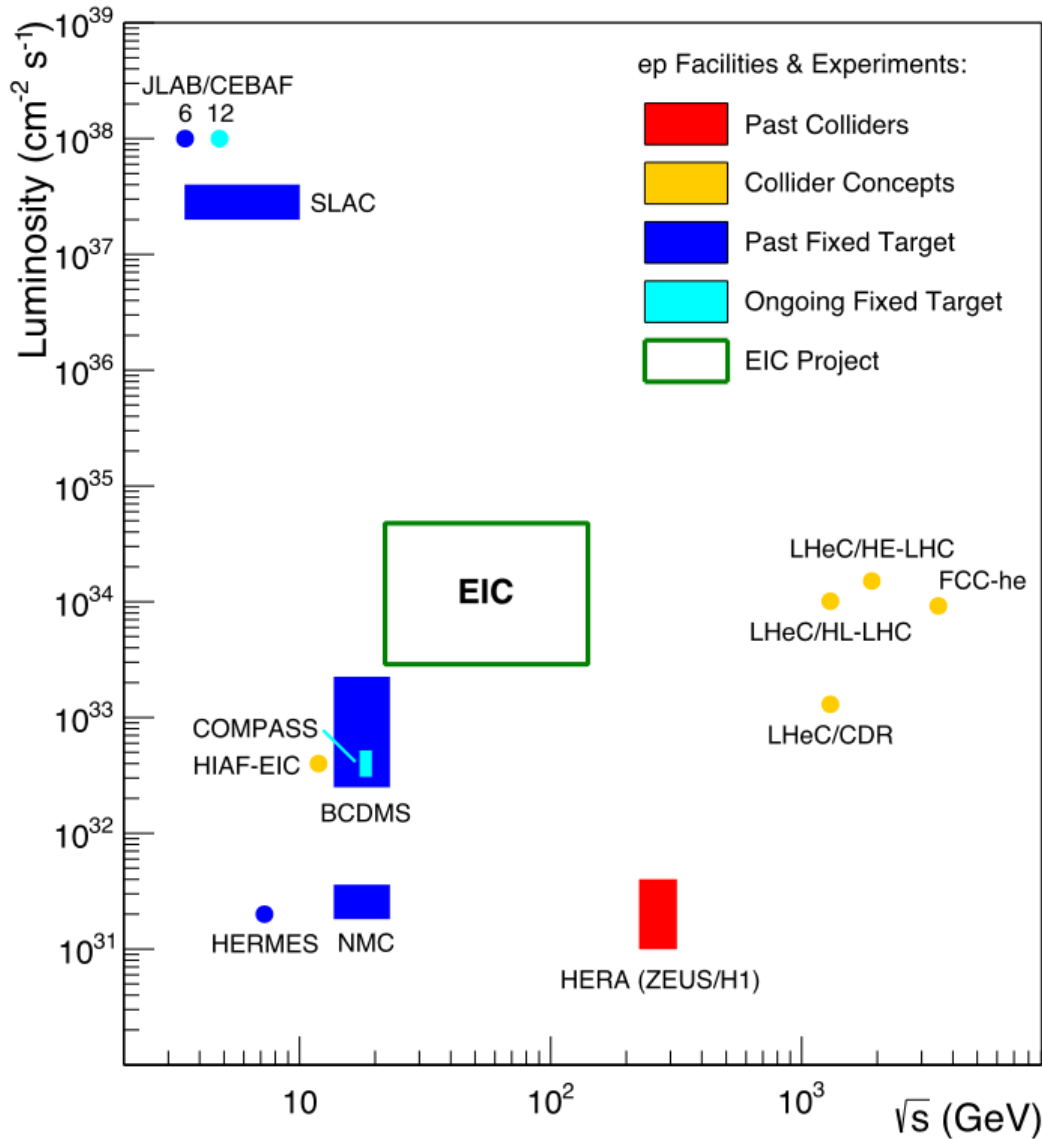
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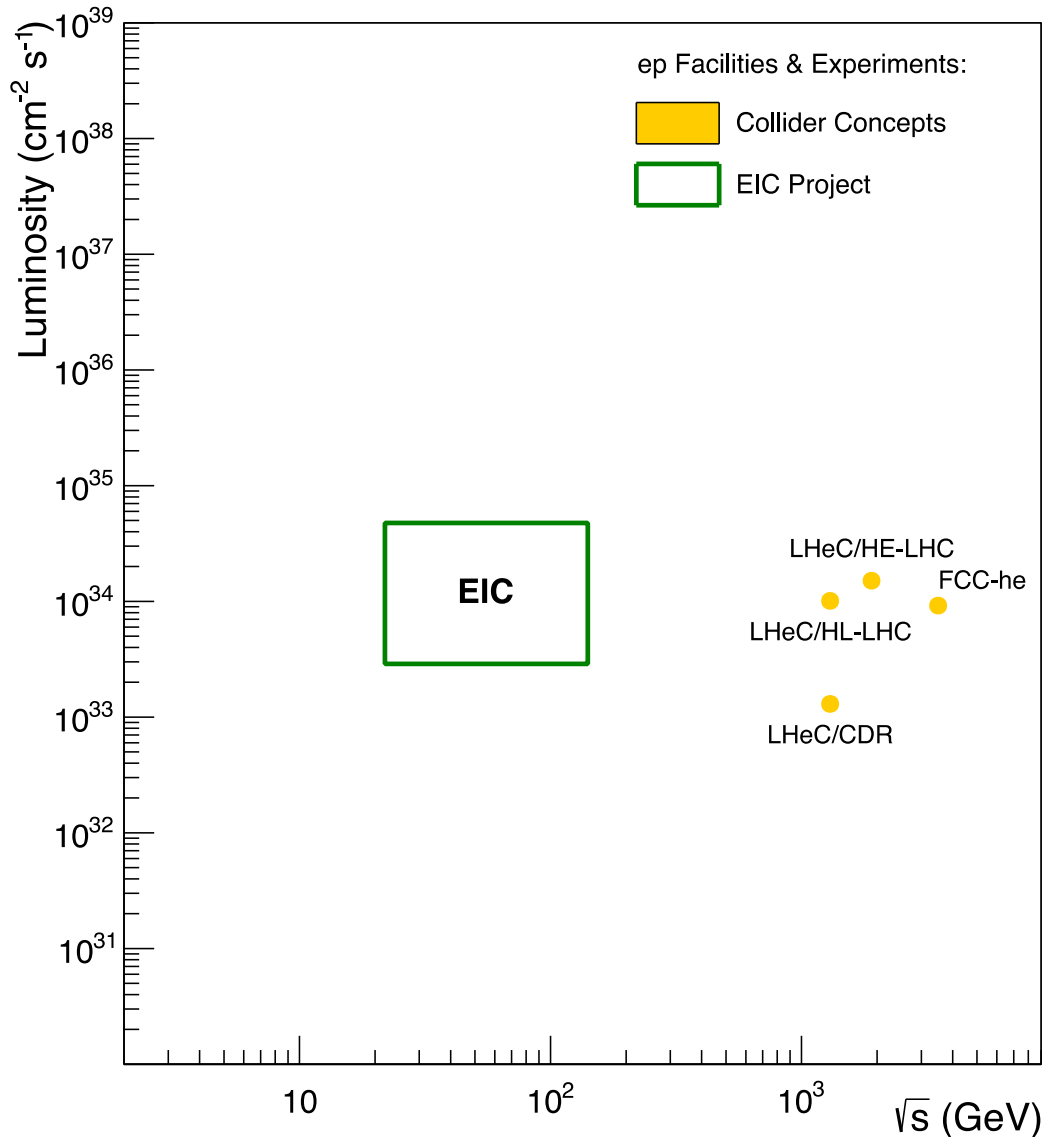
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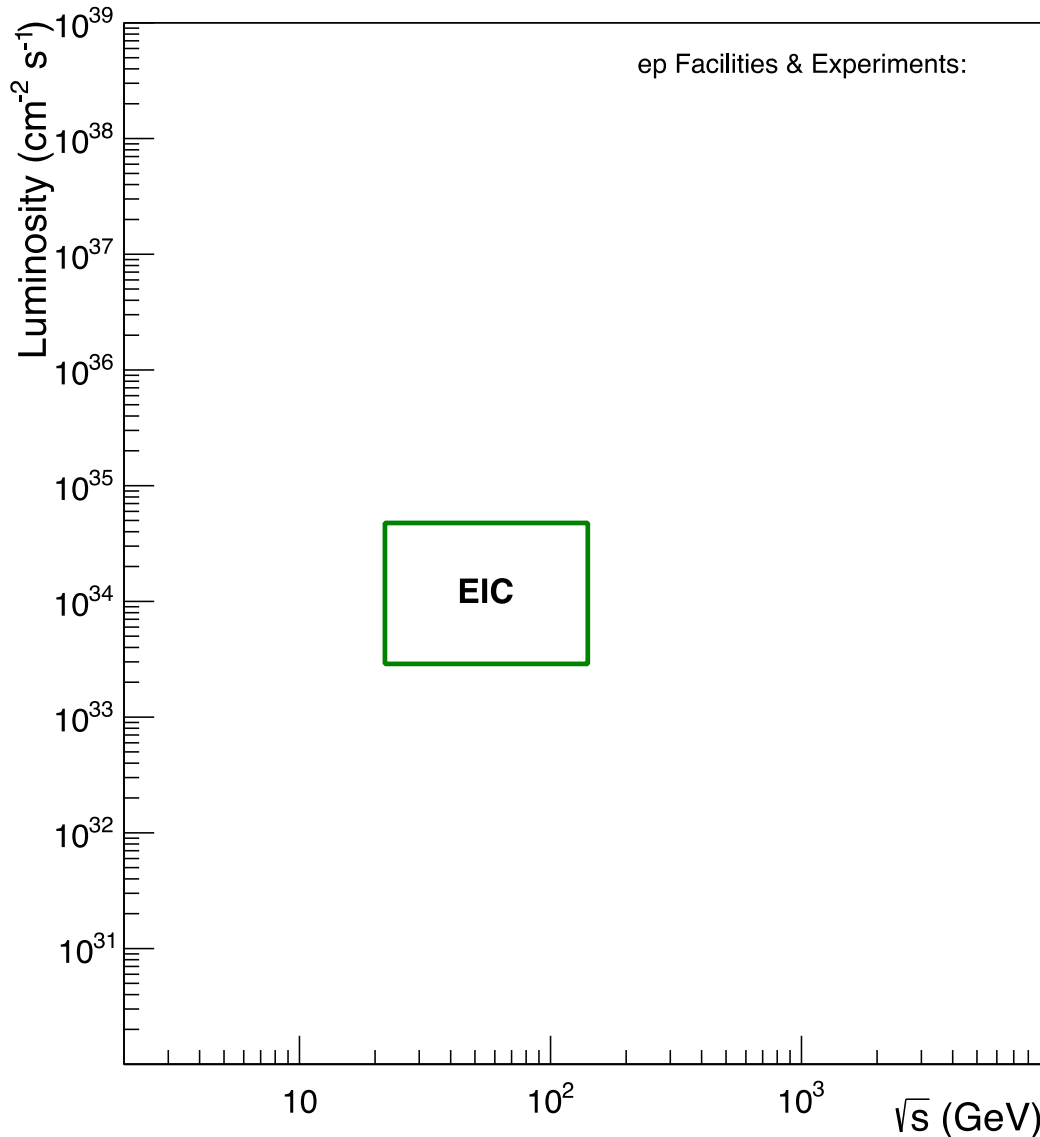


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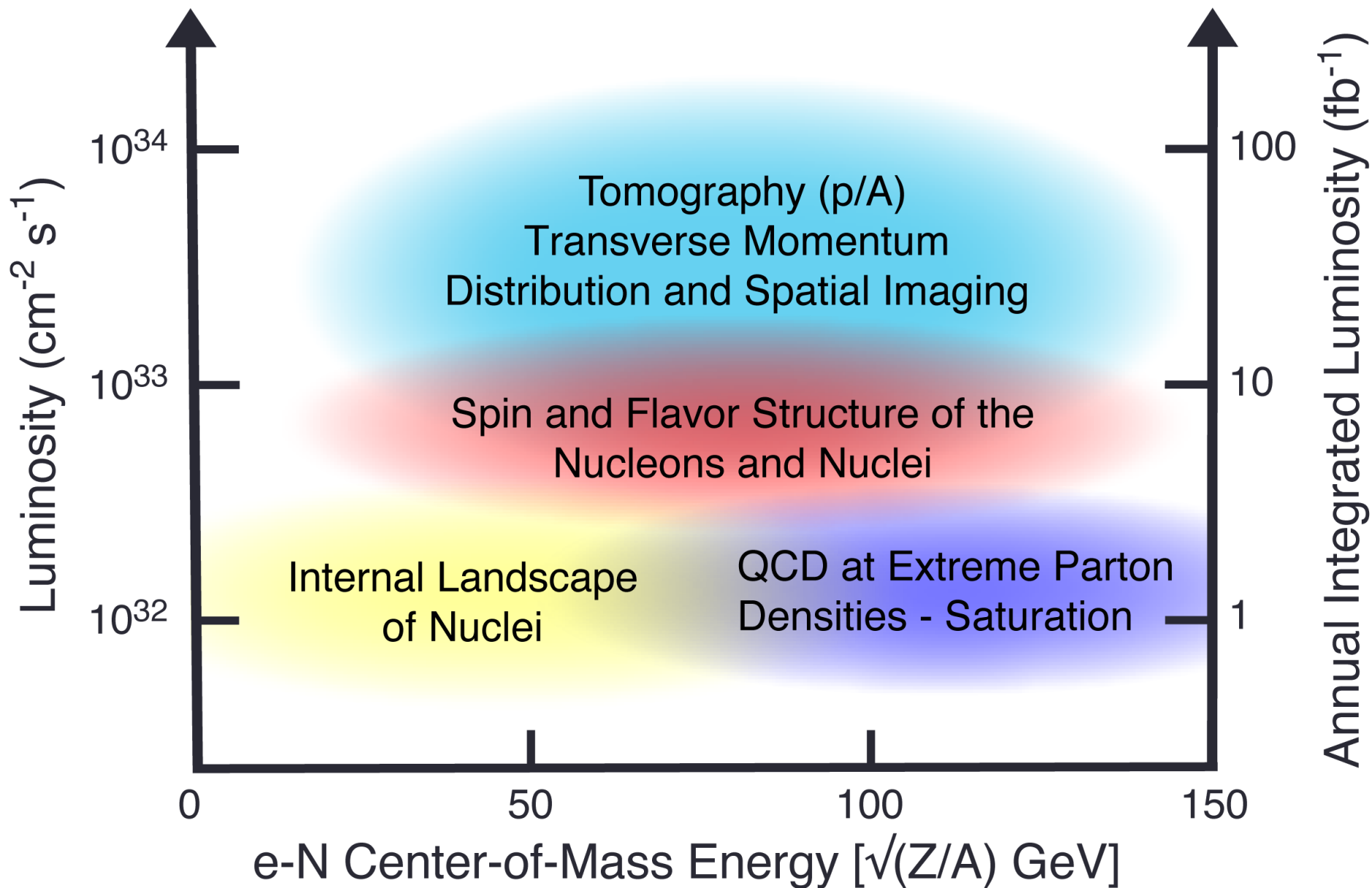
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- nuclear beams

**EIC stands out as
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Connections to other areas of physics

- Explorations of the stringy dynamics of hadrons led to the string theory of Gravity. A weakly coupled regime of 10-d **gravity** is conjectured to be dual to strongly coupled 4-d QCD-like theory. *Further profound connections may emerge from deeper investigations of the QCD landscape.*
- The dynamics of *strongly coupled **cold atom gases** and QCD (non-Abelian gauge fields but also strong nuclear fields) show strikingly common features.* Cold atom scientists are actively engaged in engineering cold atoms simulators of gauge field mechanism.
- Strong connections have emerged between studies of **strongly correlated condensed matter systems** and QCD: *topological effects arising from chiral anomaly*
- **Strong field QED** explores the breakdown of the QED vacuum and its nonlinear optical response in e^+e^- pair creation. *Reaching this regime is a major goal in developing high powered lasers.*