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Physics at MESA

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Overview

- The running weak mixing angle
- The MESA accelerator
- The P2 Experiment
- The MAGIX Spectrometer
- The BDX beam-dump experiment

The weak mixing angle

(also: Weinberg-angle)



The weak mixing angle

- One of the fundamental parameters of the standard model
- Electroweak symmetry breaking creates photon and Z^0
- Angle shows up both in masses and couplings (charges)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma \\ Z^0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_W & \sin \theta_W \\ -\sin \theta_W & \cos \theta_W \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B^0 \\ W^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cos \theta_W = \frac{m_W}{m_Z}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_W = \frac{g'^2}{g^2 + g'^2}$$

Which weak mixing angle?

- The last slide is true at tree level
- But there are quantum corrections...

Two options:

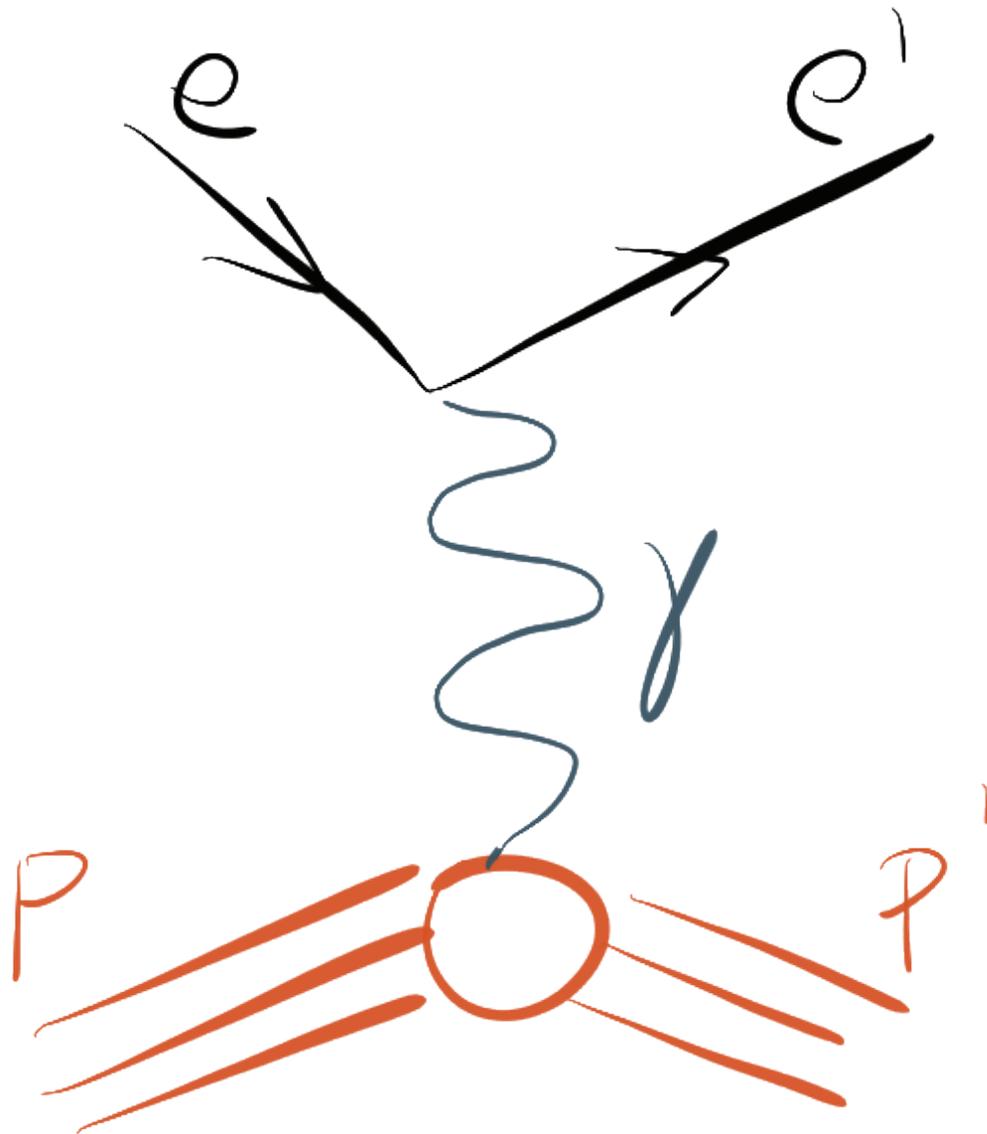
- Use the masses for the definition:
(at all orders of perturbation theory)
"On-shell scheme"
- Or use the couplings:
(which change with energy, and so does
the angle)
" $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -scheme"
- Use second option from here on

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$$\sin^2 \theta_W(q^2)$$

Weak mixing angle and charges



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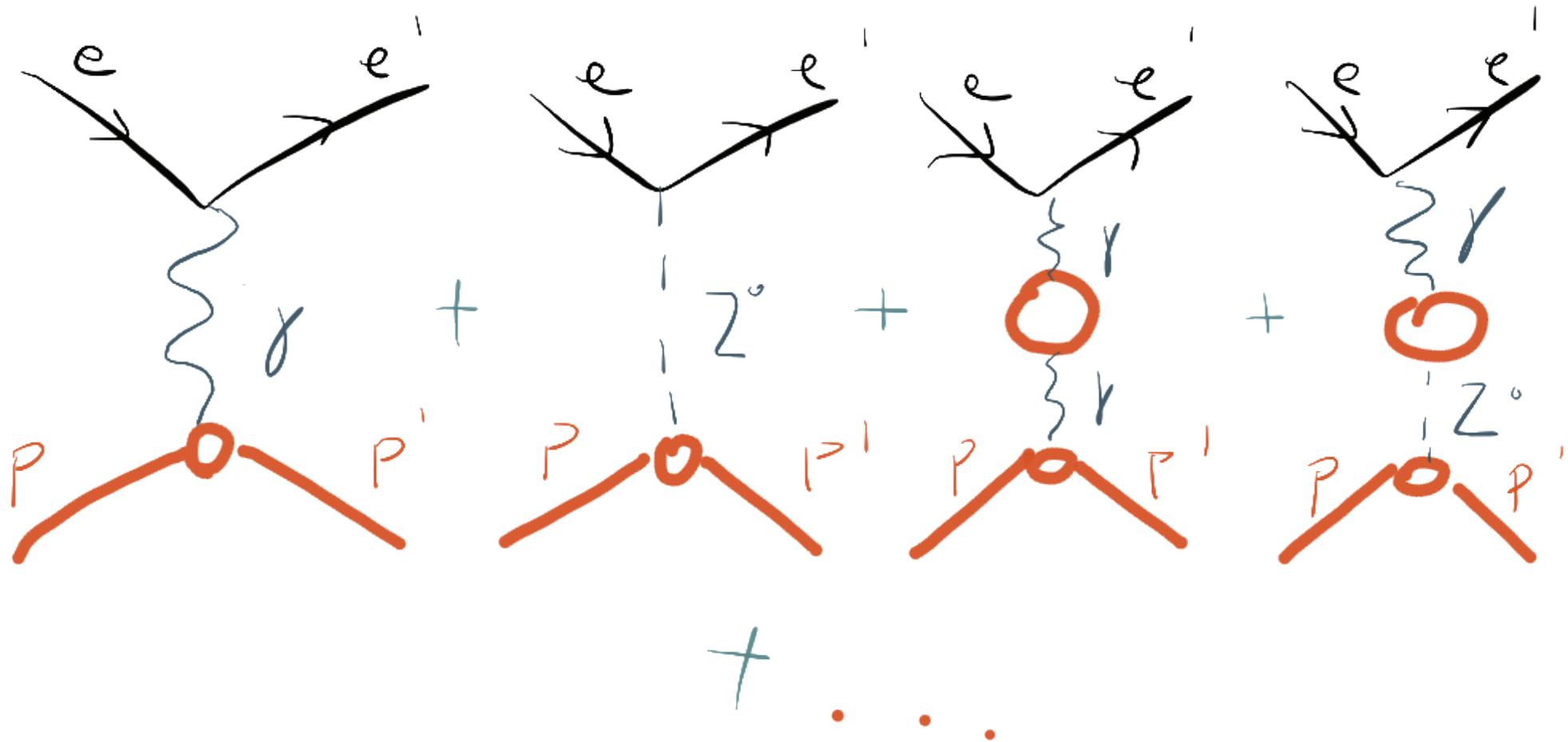
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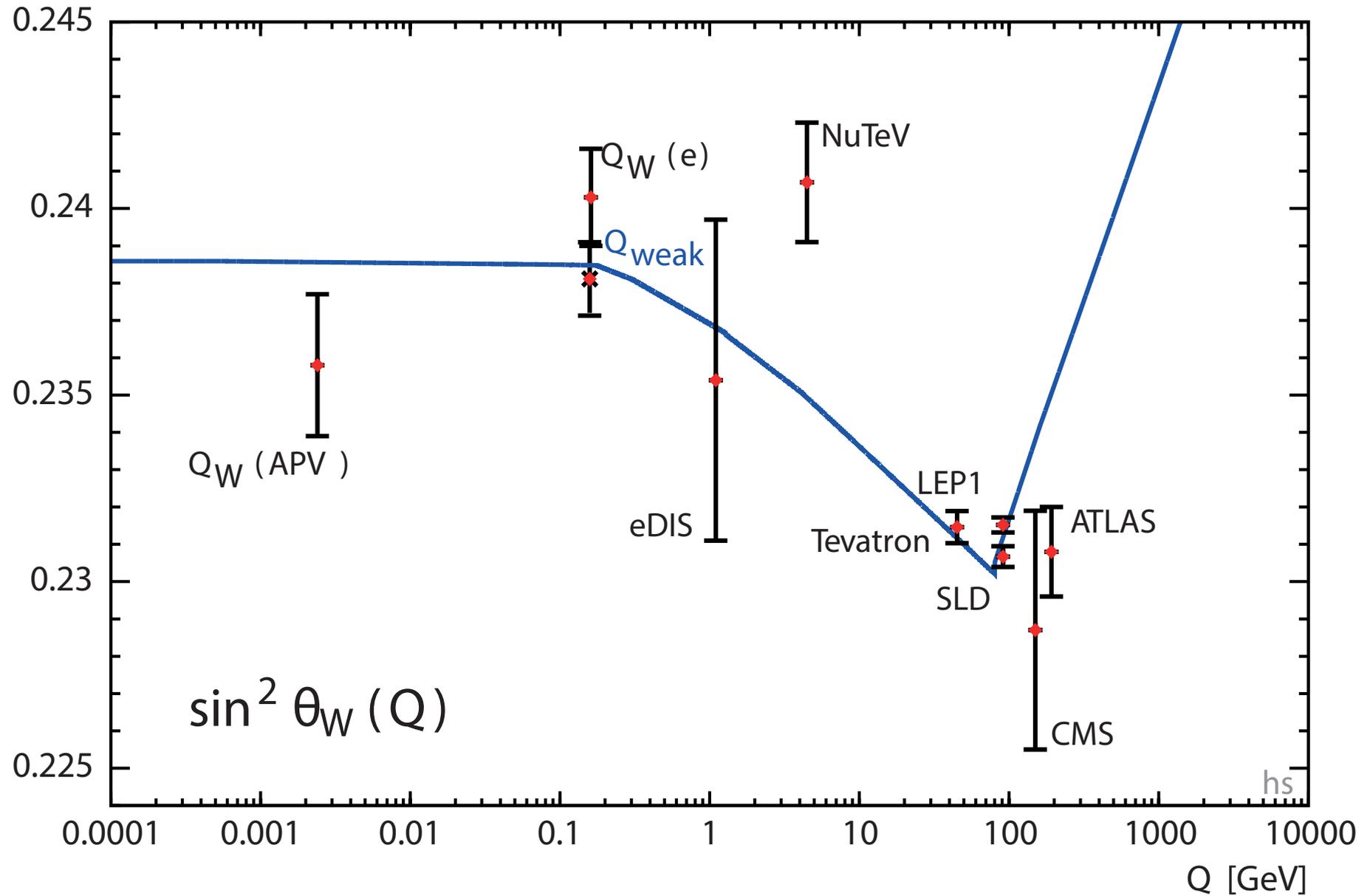
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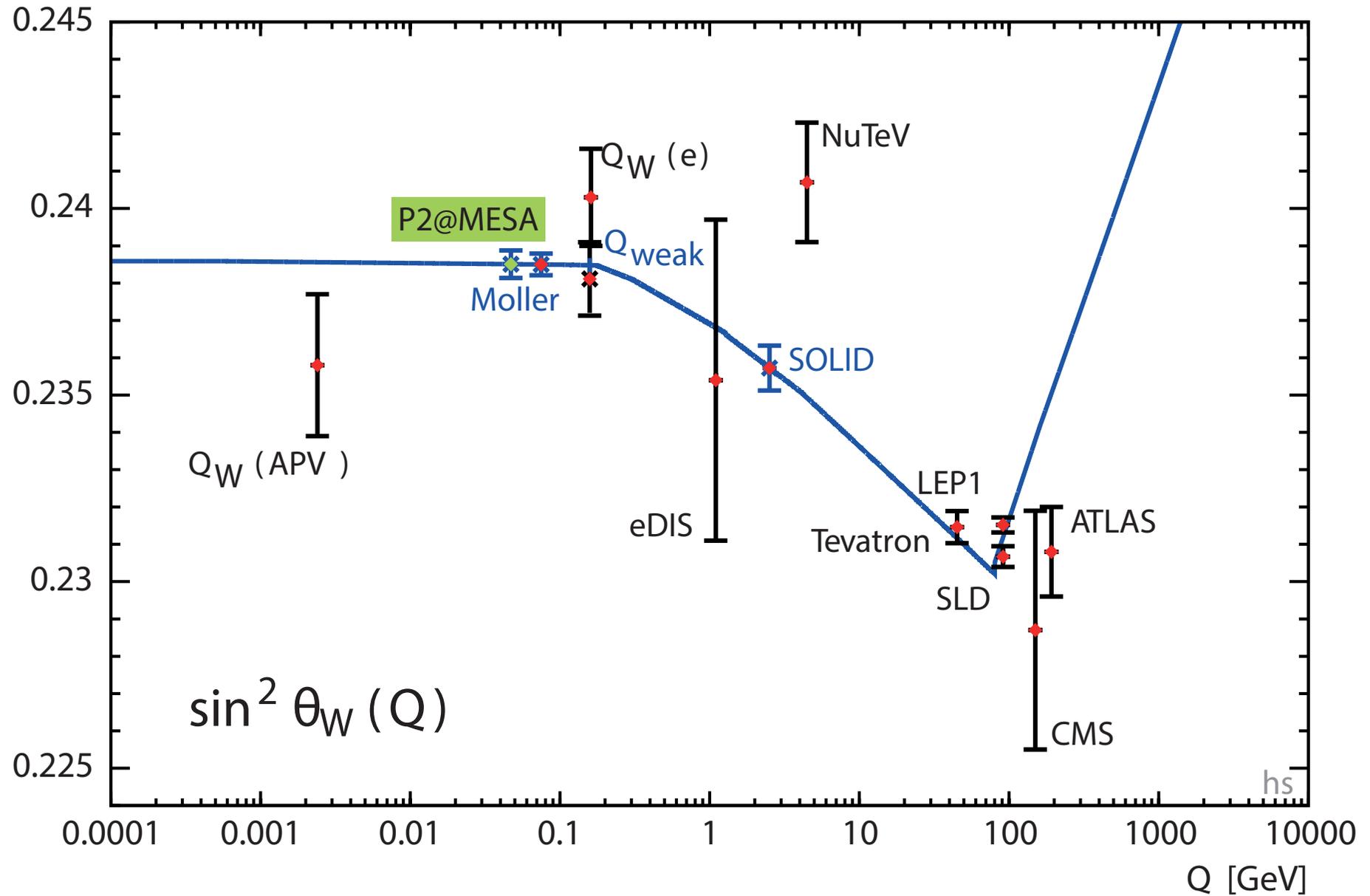
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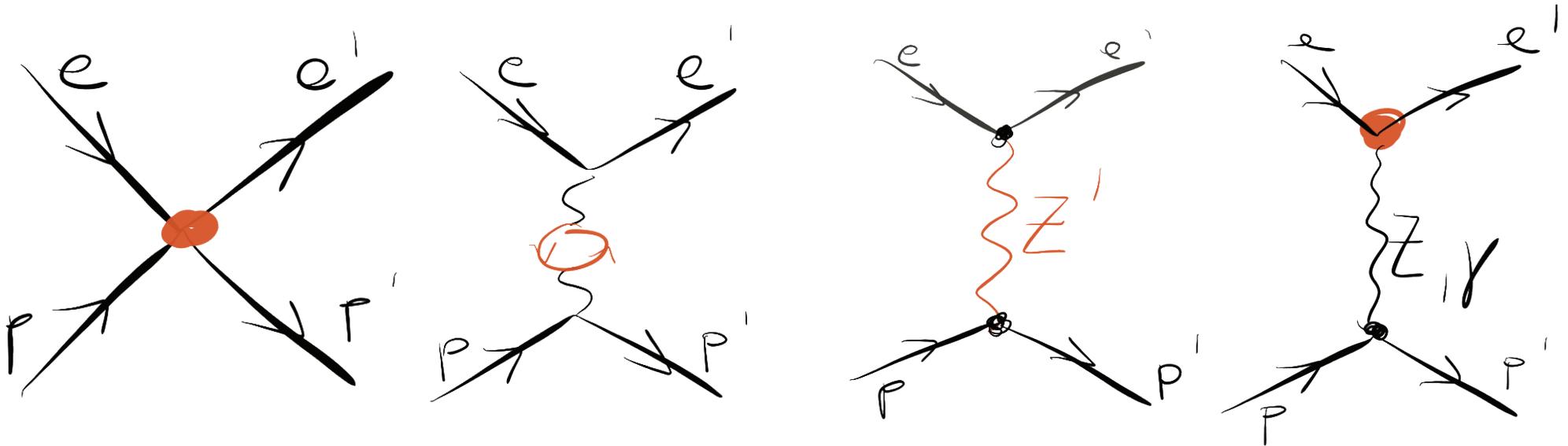
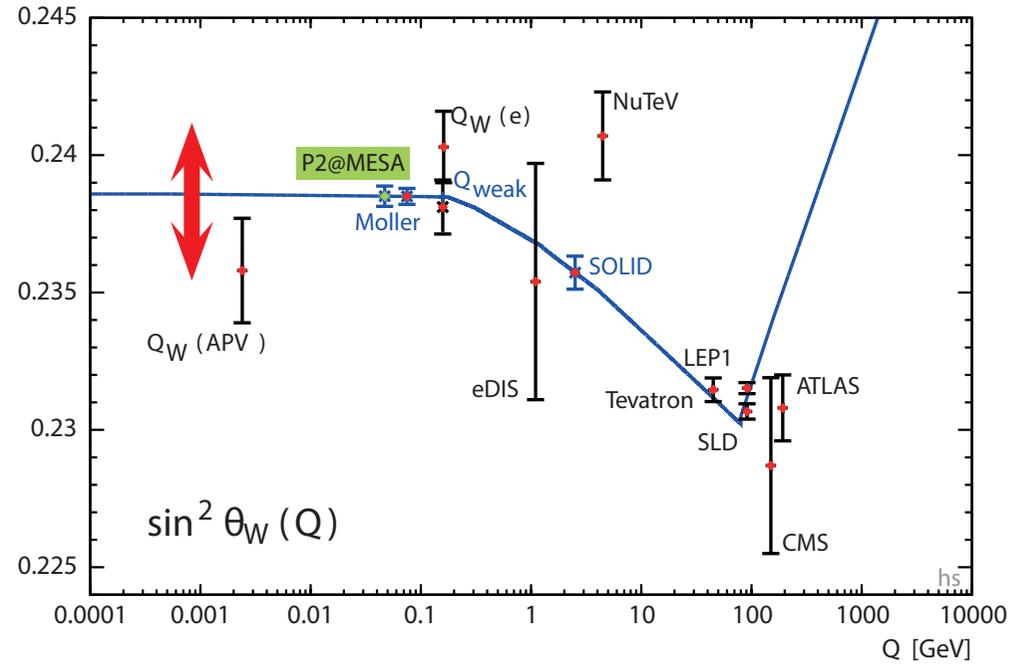
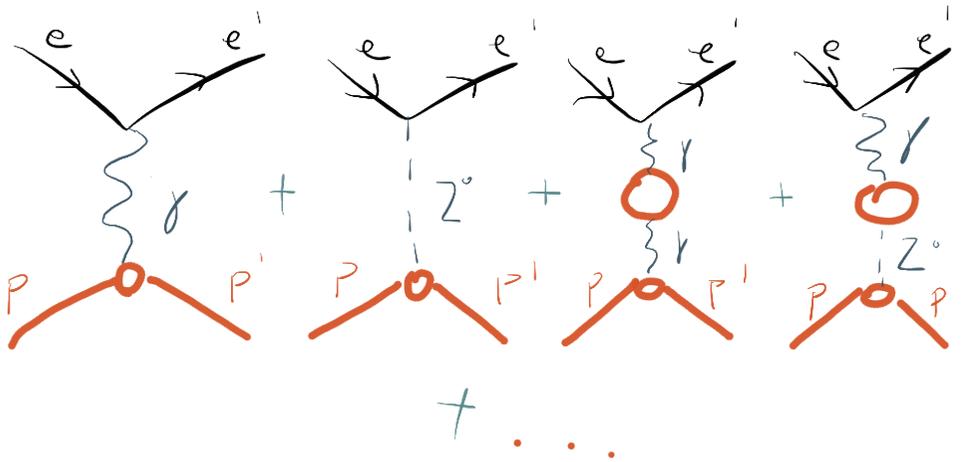
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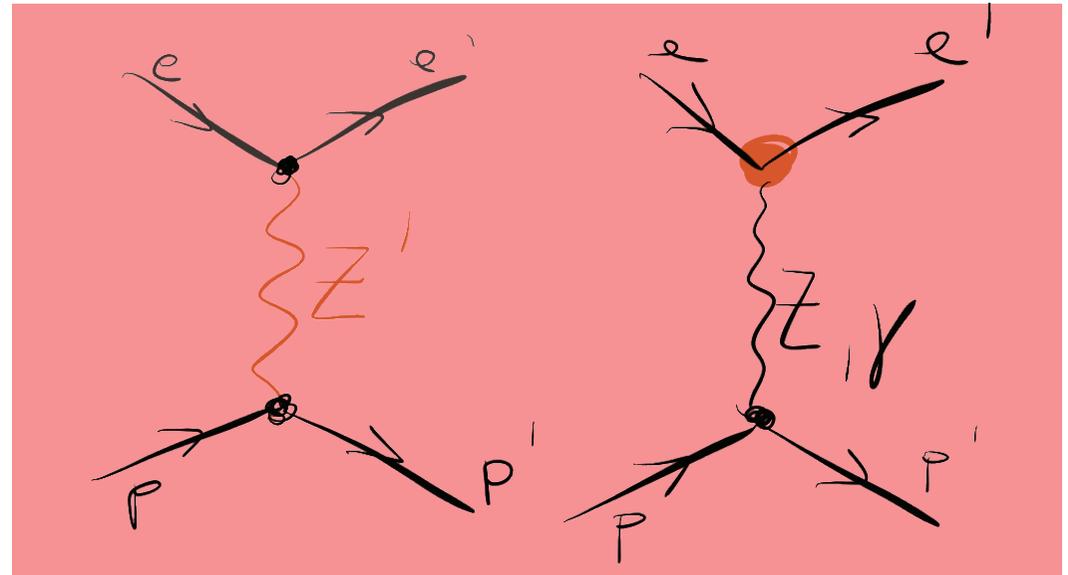
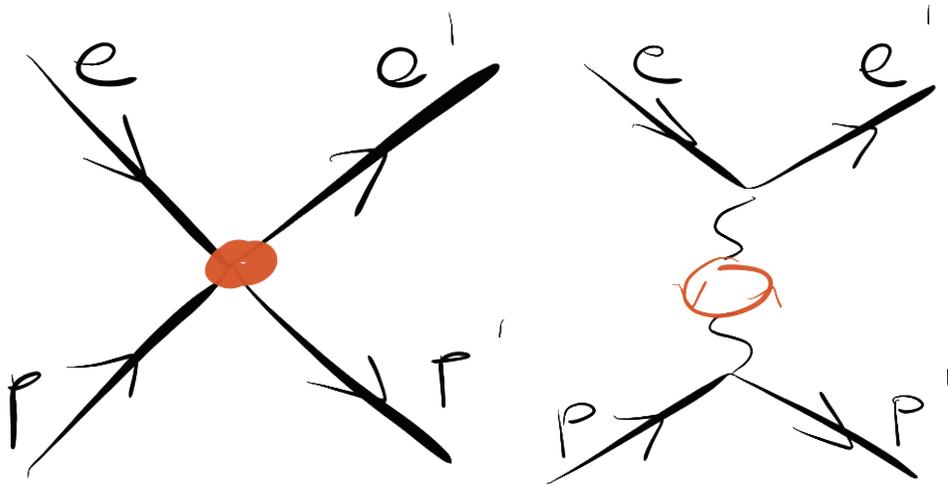
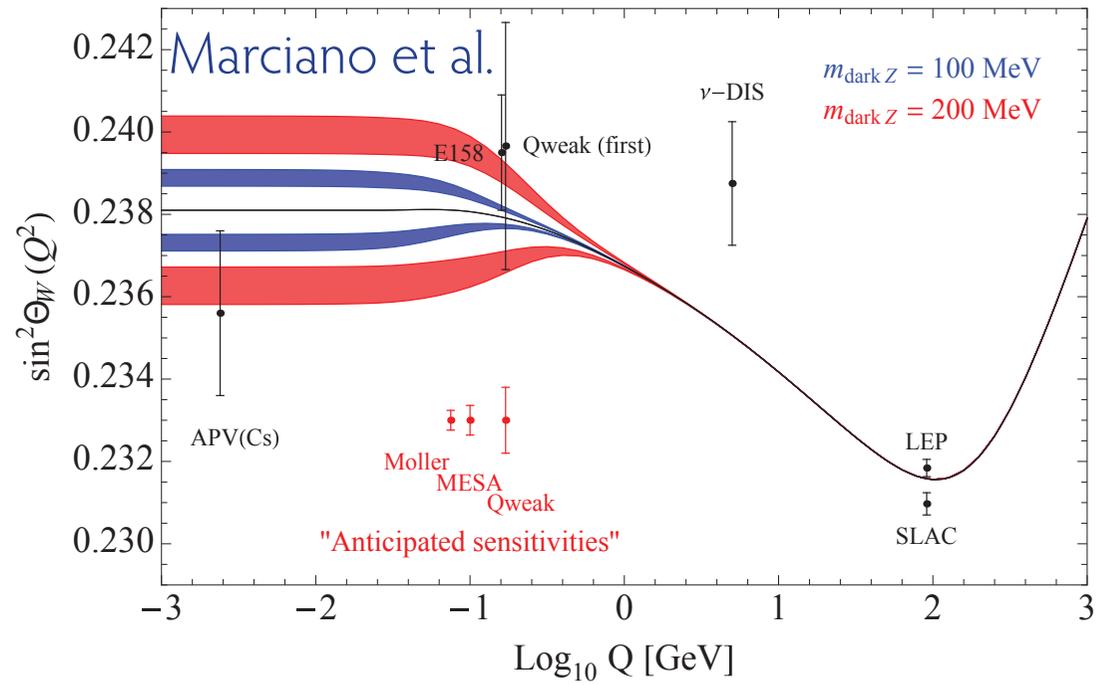
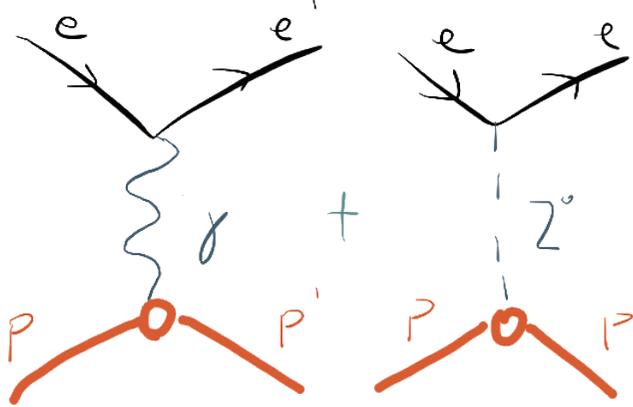
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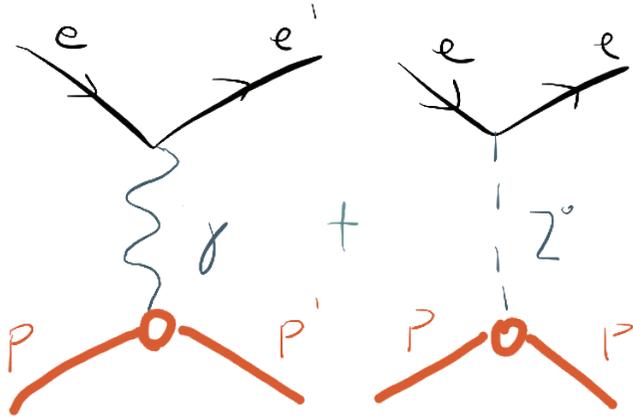
New Physics in the running



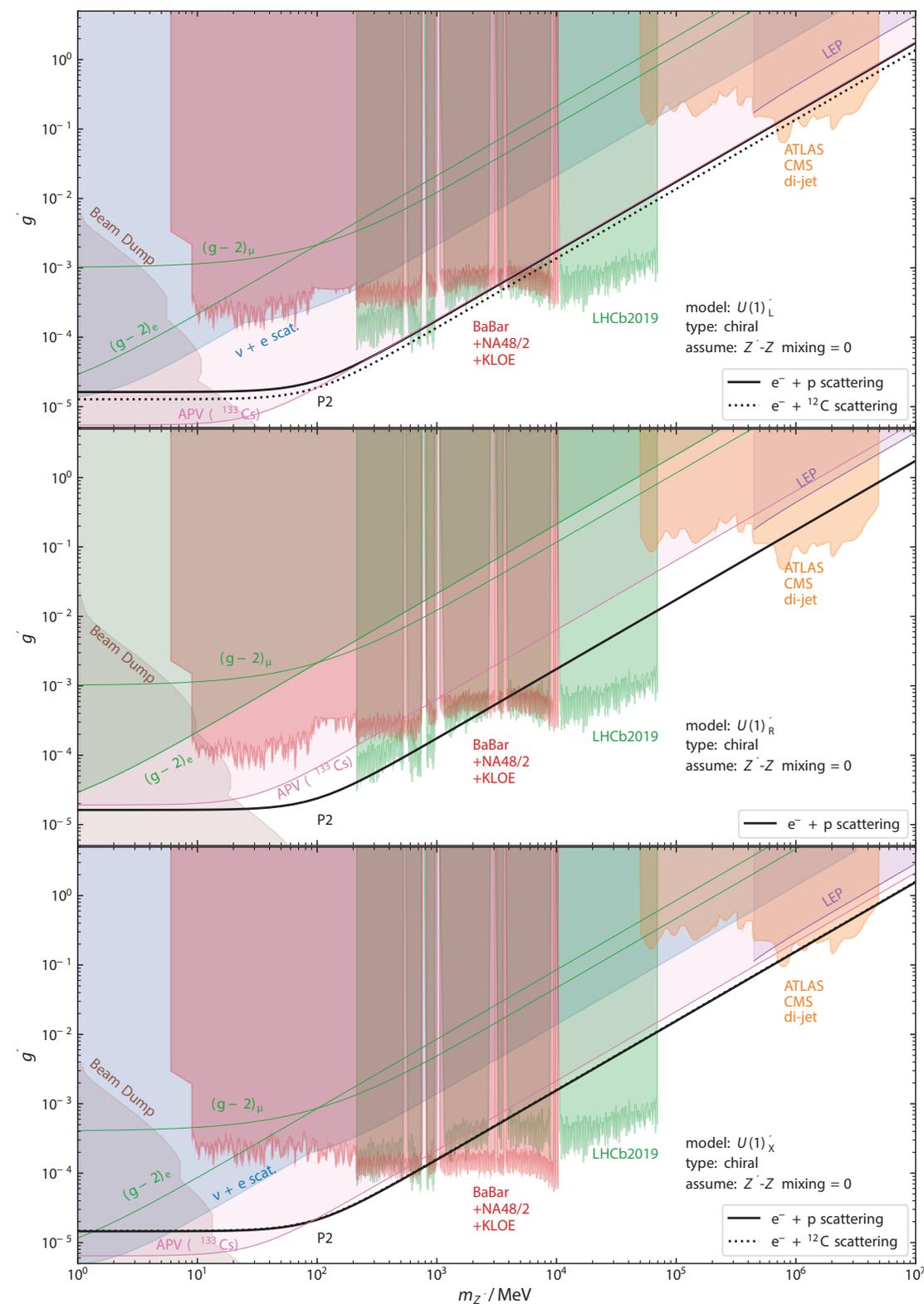
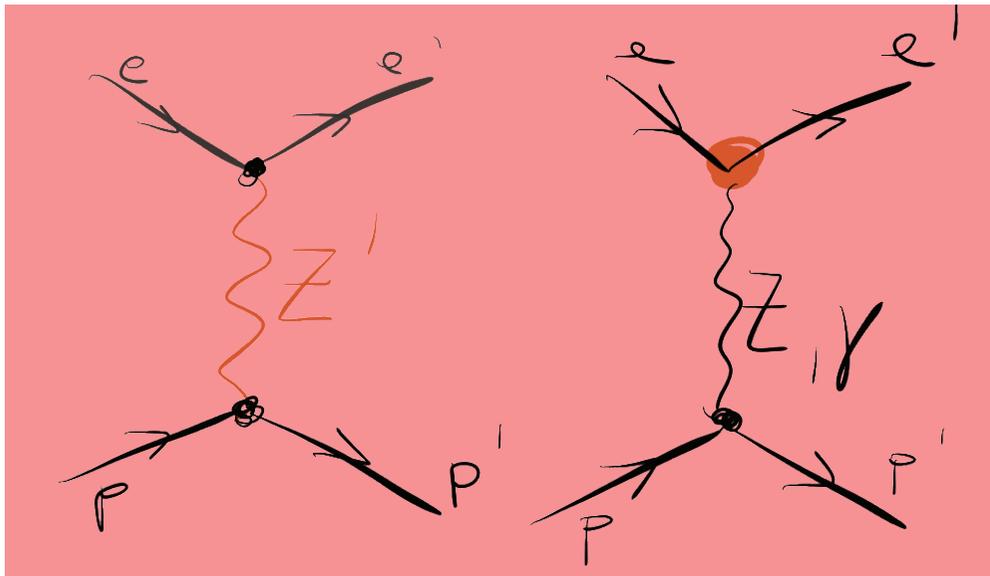
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Bhupal Dev, Rodejohann, Xu, Zhang,
arXiv:2103.09067

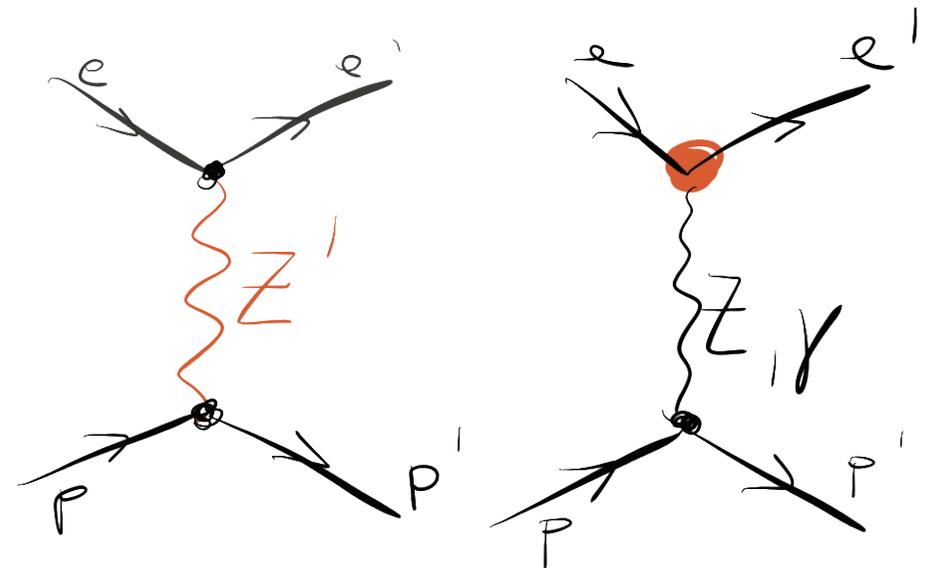
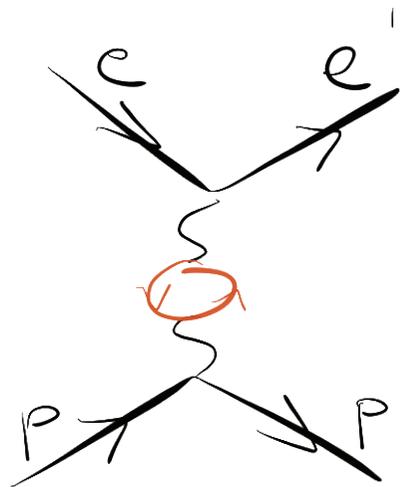
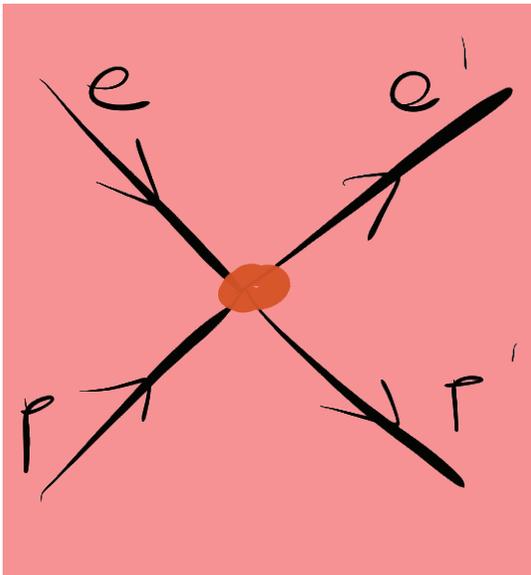
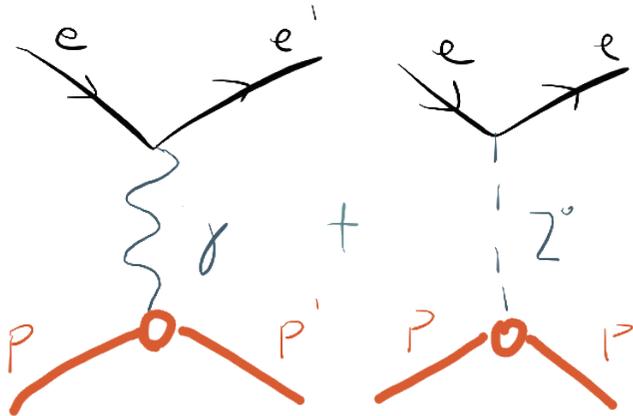


Contact Interactions

Contact interactions up to

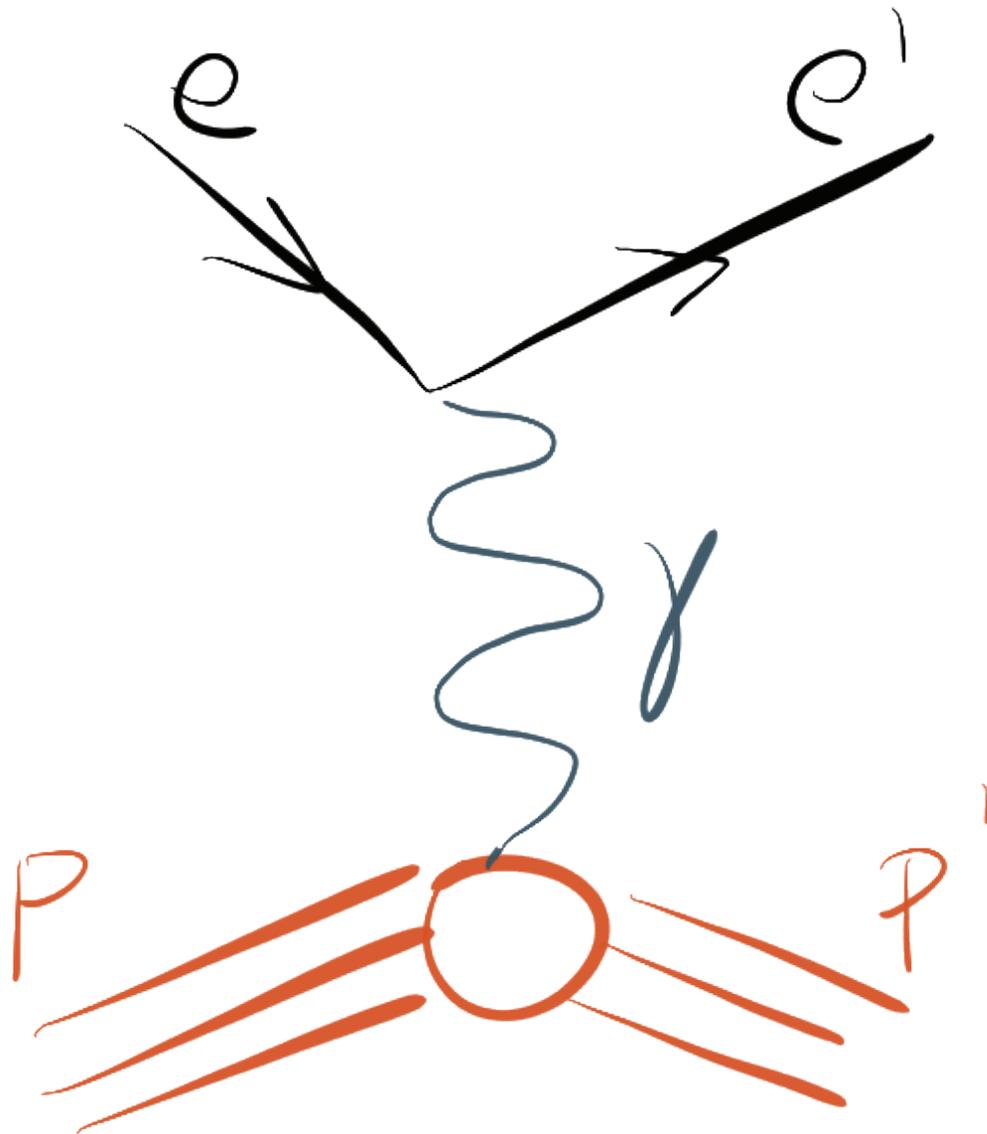
49 TeV

(comparable to LHC at 300 fb^{-1})



How to measure the weak charge?

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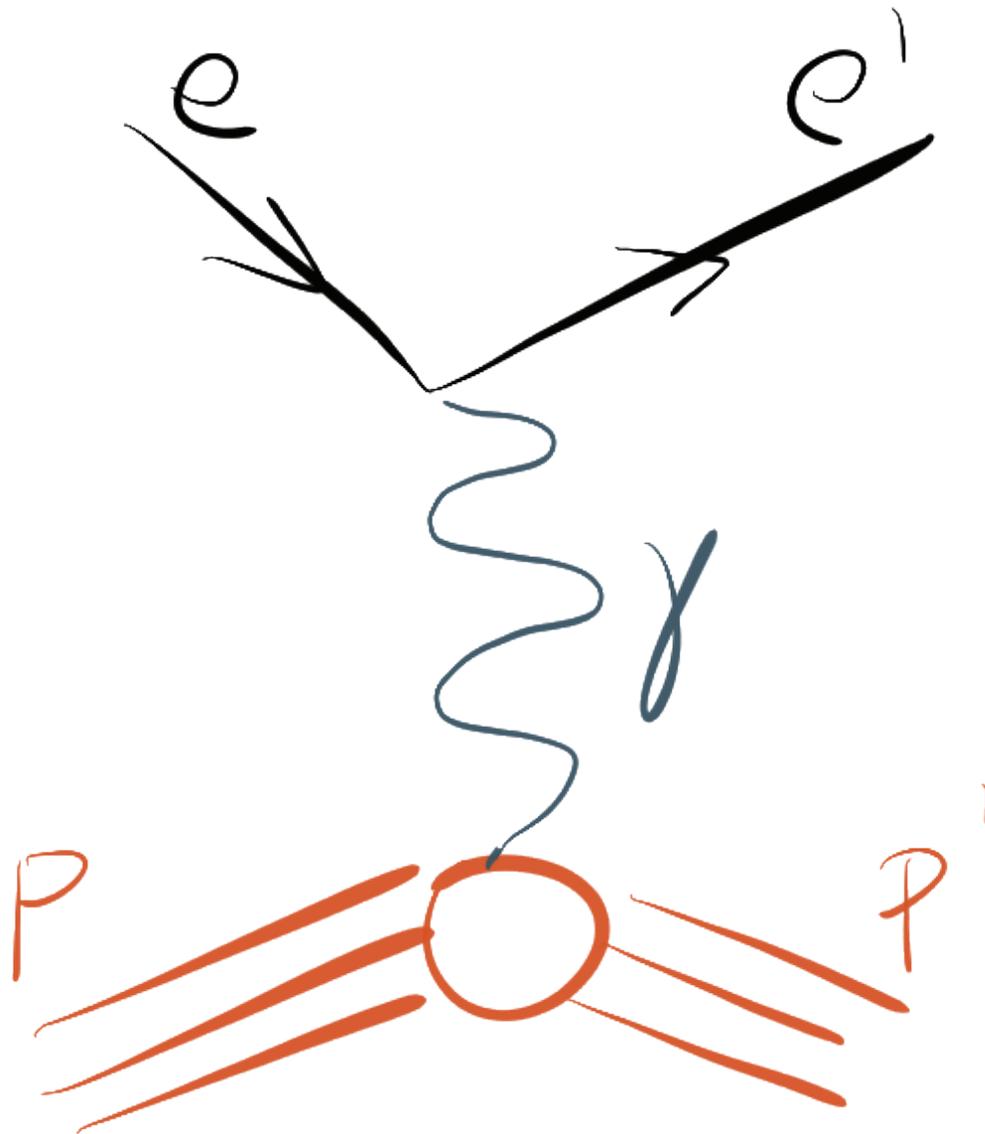
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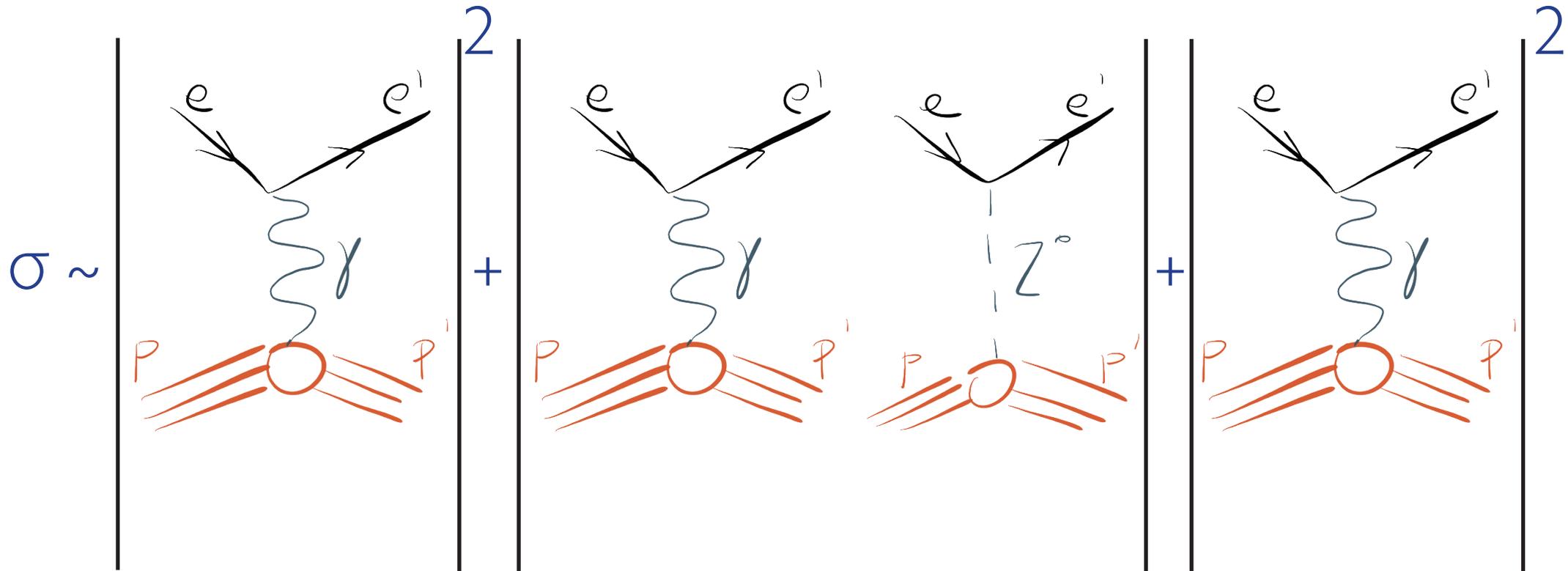


Violates parity!

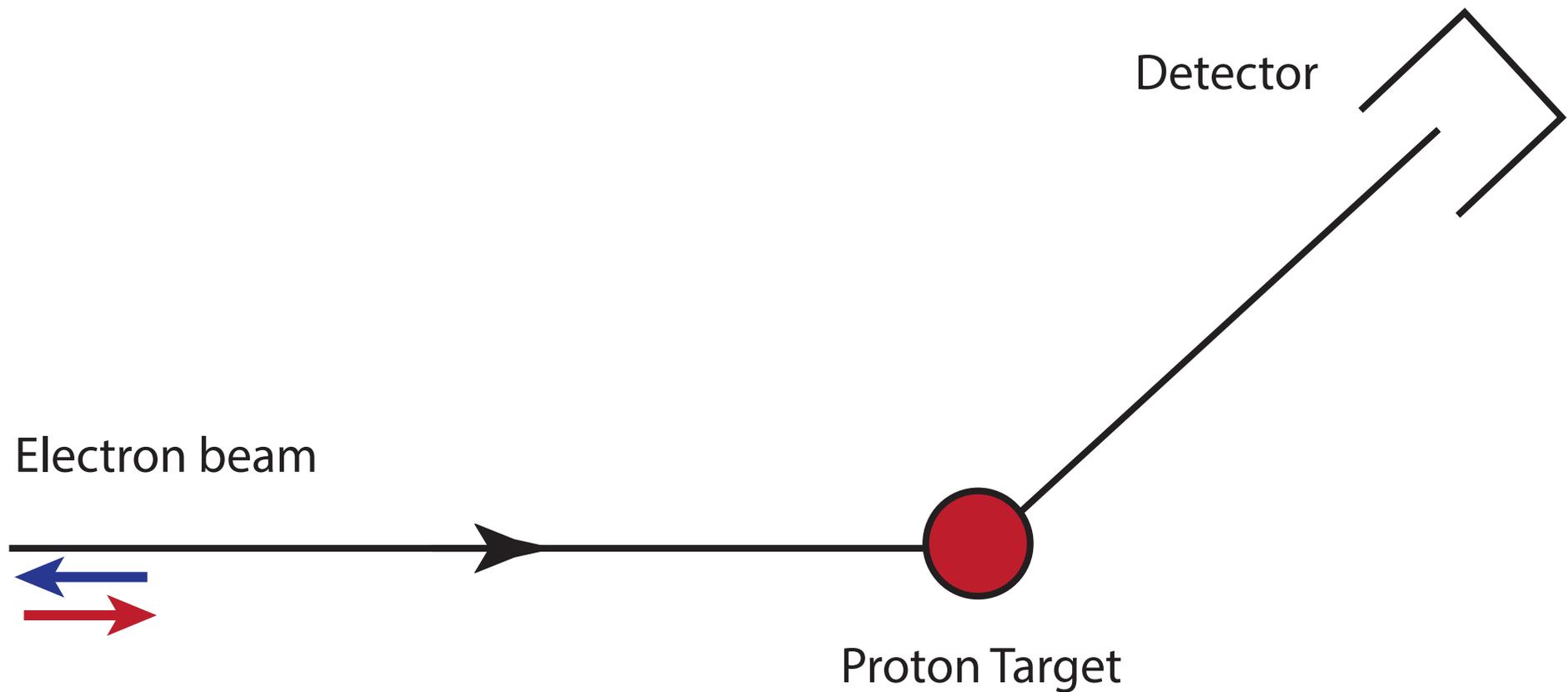
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Interference

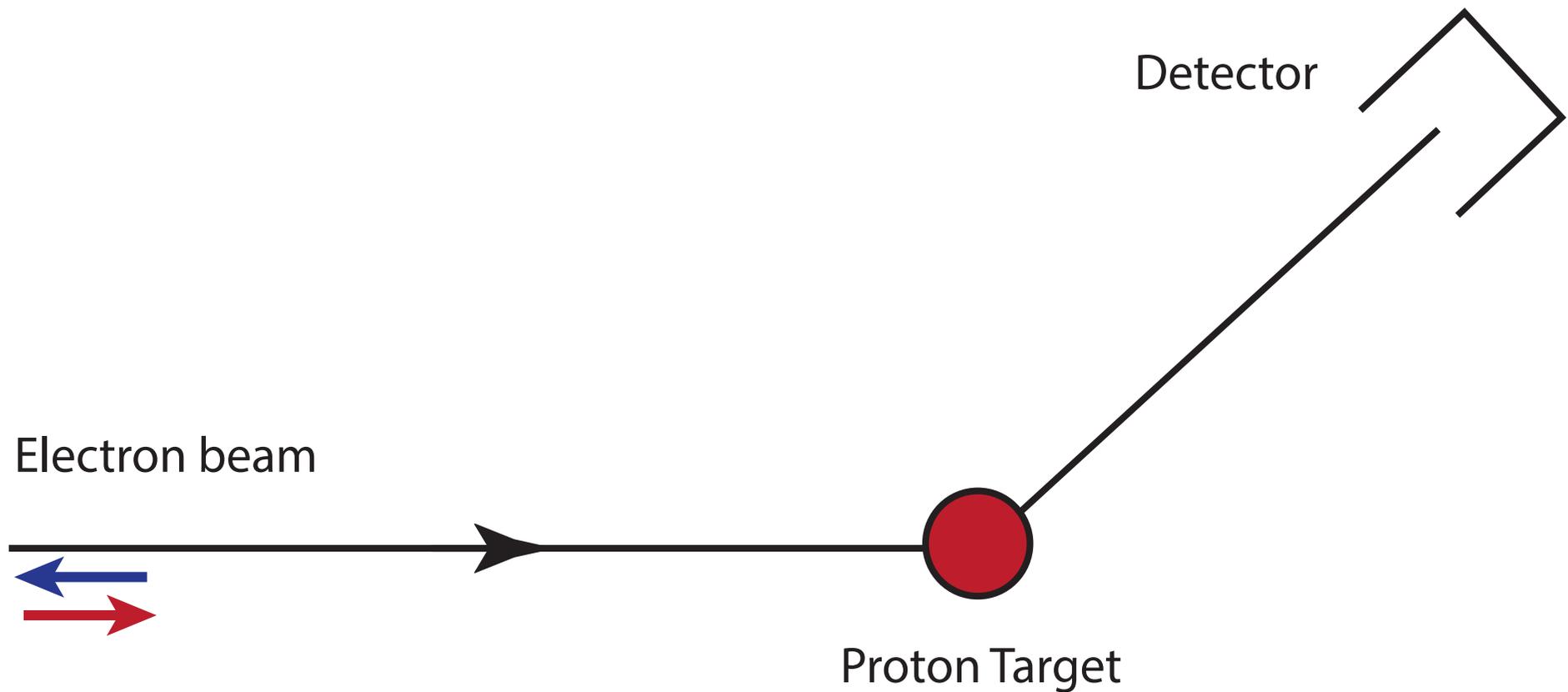


Parity violating electron scattering



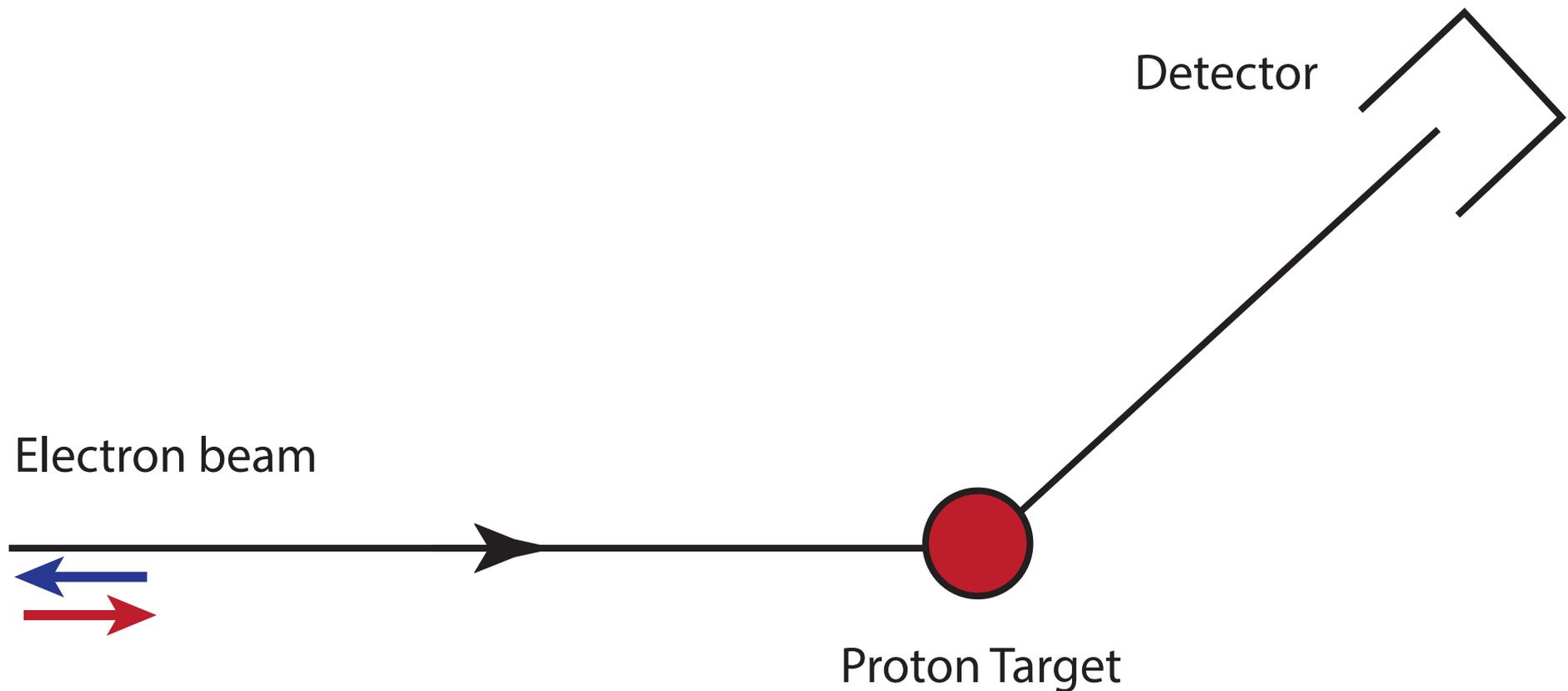
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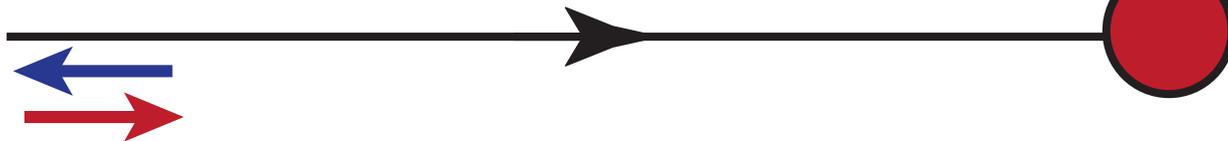
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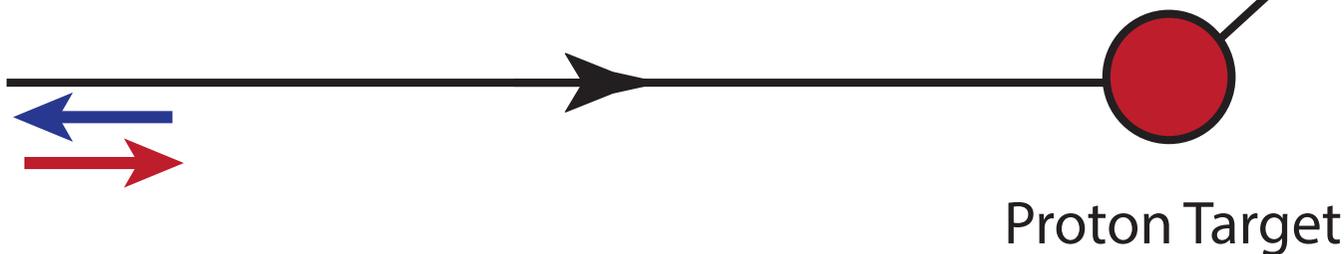
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$$\sin^2 \theta_W = \frac{1 - Q_W}{4}$$

Electron beam



Why is this difficult?

- $\sin^2\theta_W \approx 0.25$: Weak charge is tiny

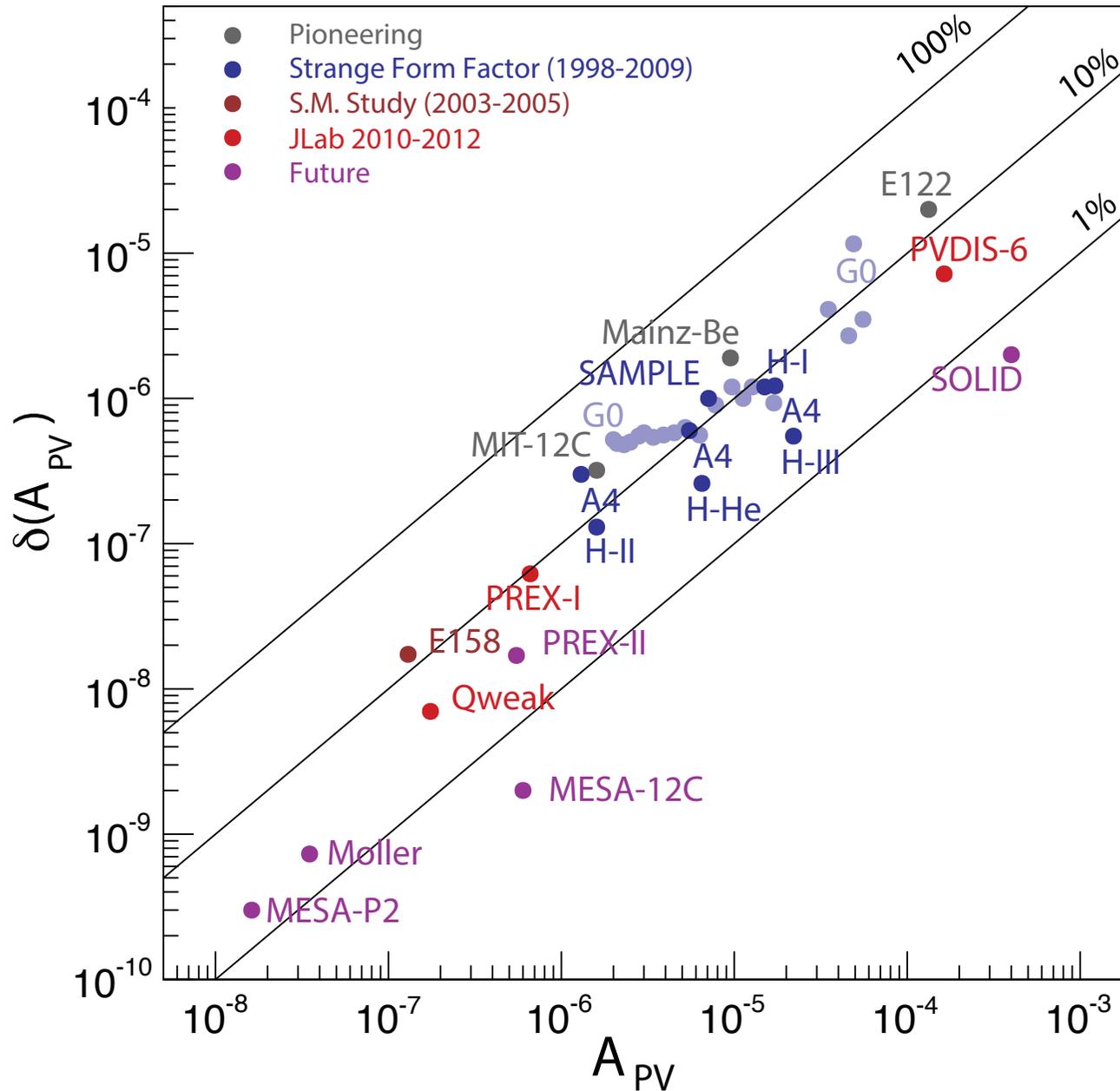
$$Q_W = 1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W$$

- At low Q^2 : Asymmetry is tiny (40 parts per billion):
need very large statistics

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- We are subtracting two huge numbers from each other

PVeS Experiment Summary



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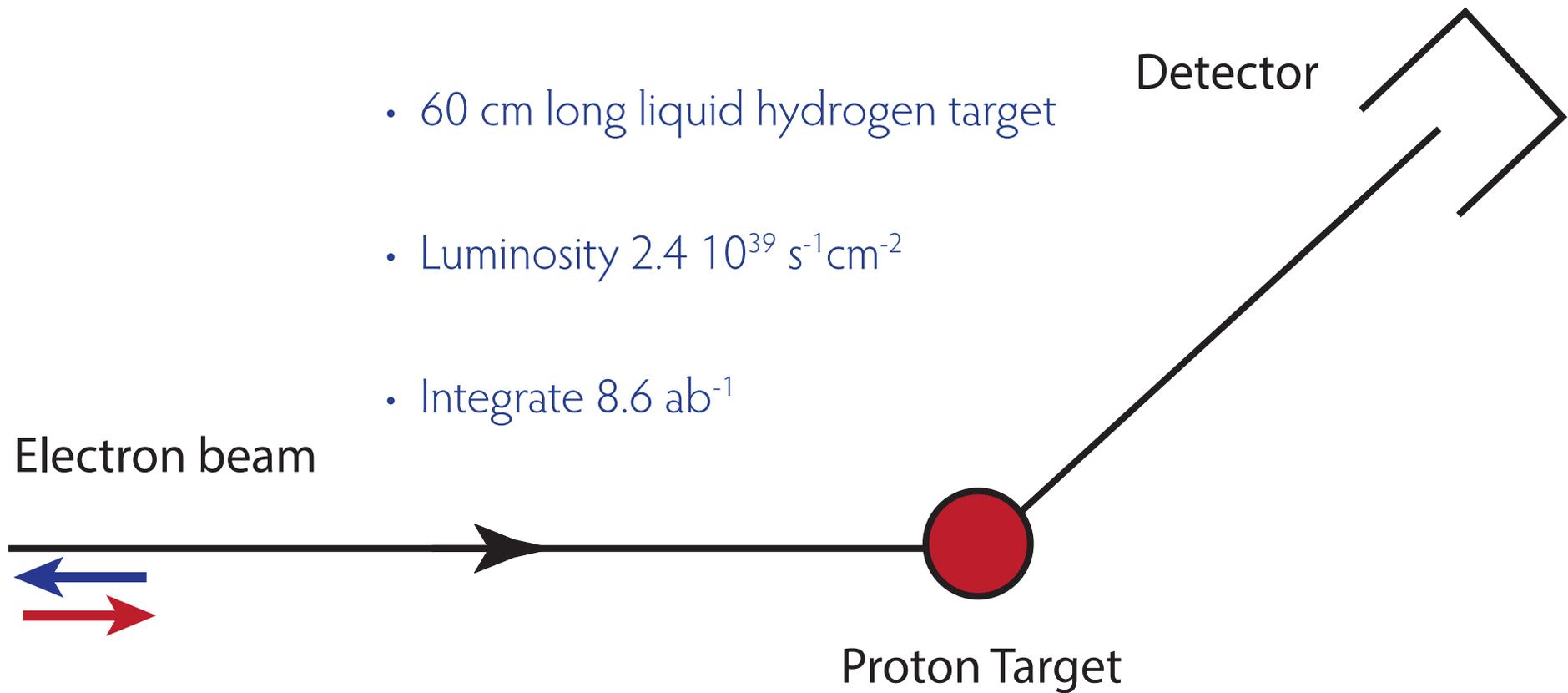
- Measure 11'000 hours (absolute maximum anyone thinks shifts are organisable)

- Need close to 10^{11} electrons/s - 100 GHz

Can we get that rate?

Yes!

- 150 μA of electron beam current
- 60 cm long liquid hydrogen target
- Luminosity $2.4 \cdot 10^{39} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
- Integrate 8.6 ab^{-1}



11'000 hours is 458 days 24/7 of measurements

Hard to get that amount of time at a shared
accelerator facility...

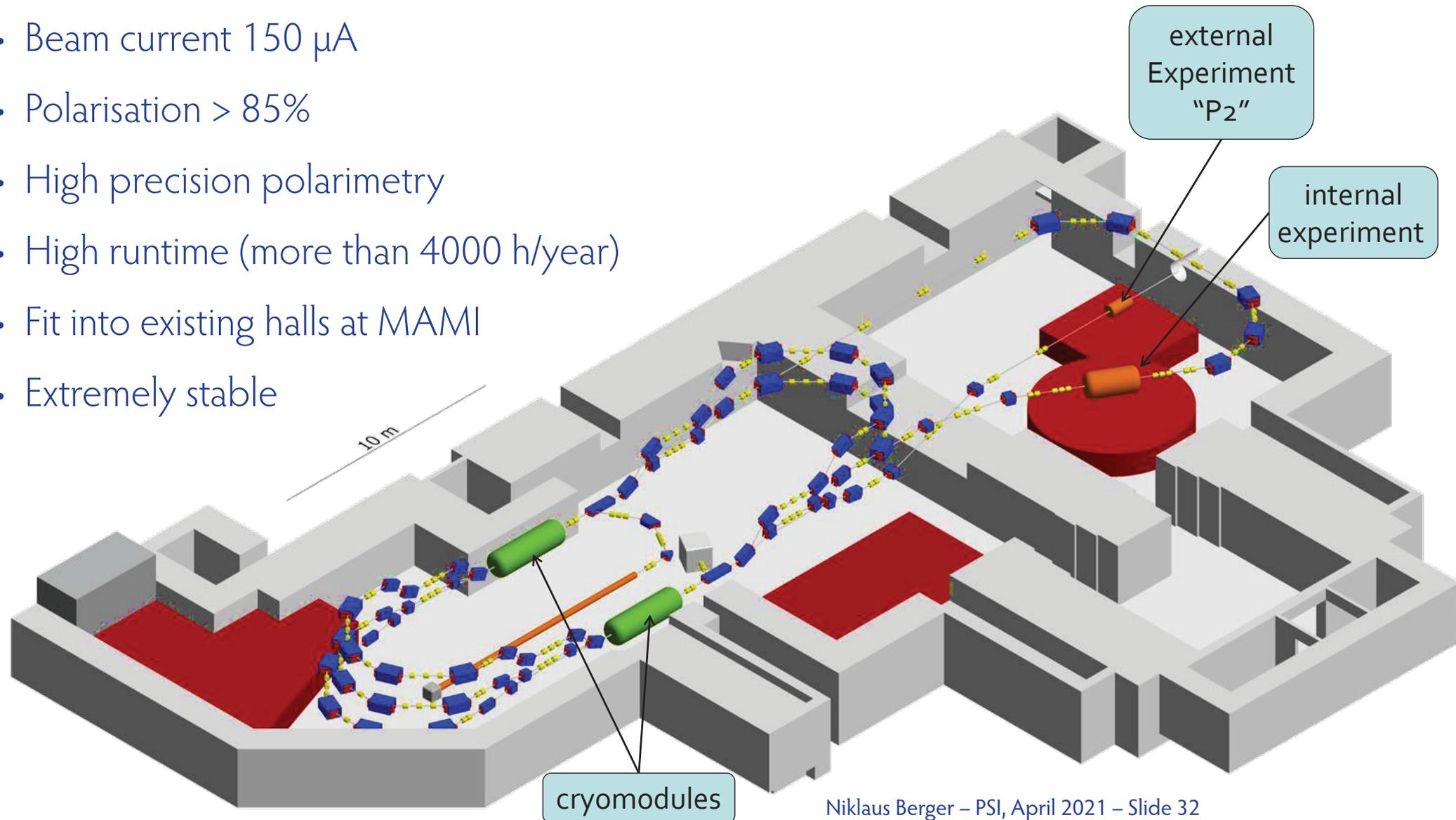
If you cannot rent it, build it:

The MESA accelerator

Mainz Energy-recovery Superconducting Accelerator

Requirements

- Beam current $150 \mu\text{A}$
- Polarisation $> 85\%$
- High precision polarimetry
- High runtime (more than 4000 h/year)
- Fit into existing halls at MAMI
- Extremely stable



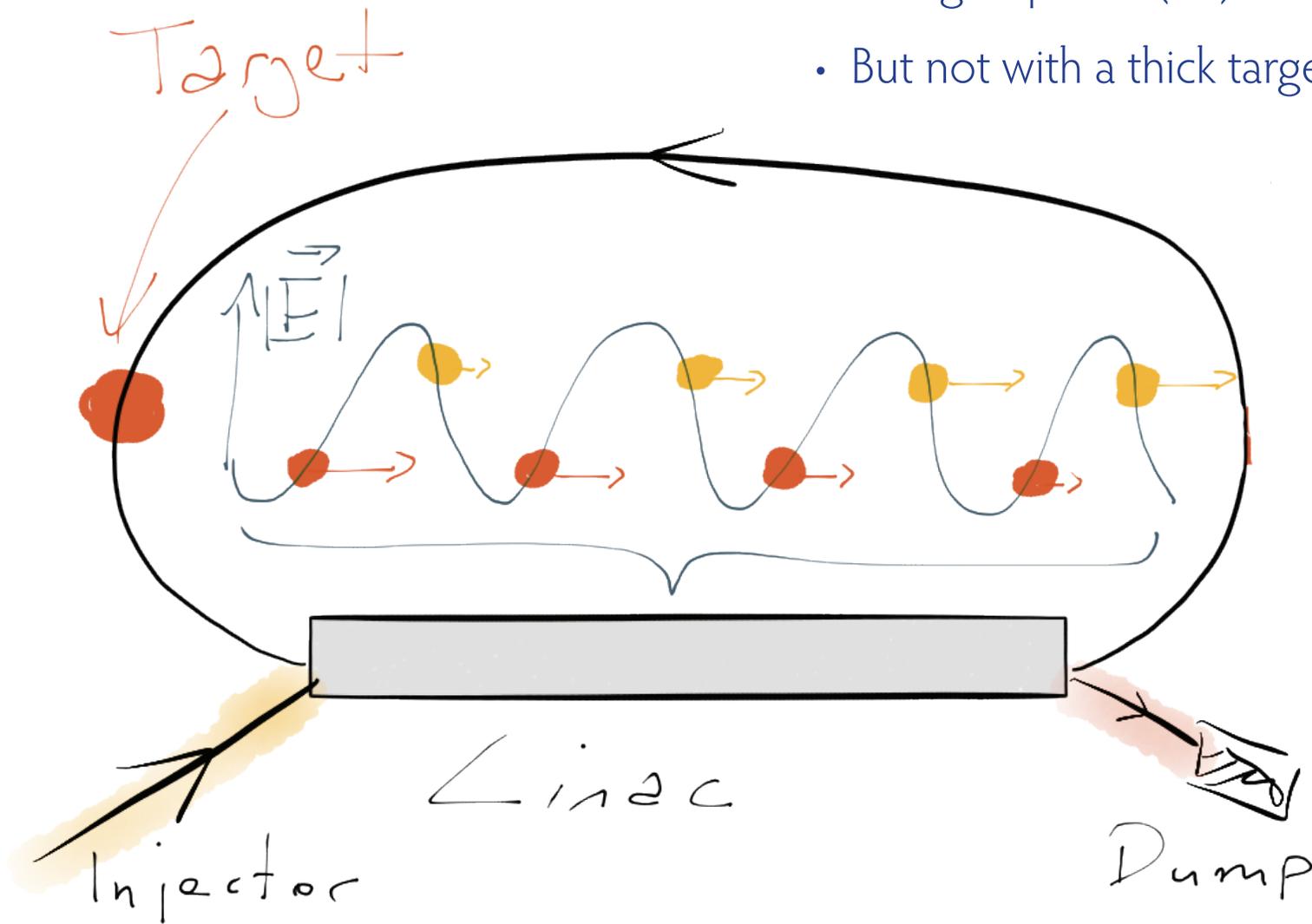
Energy recovery

Can we go to higher beam currents?

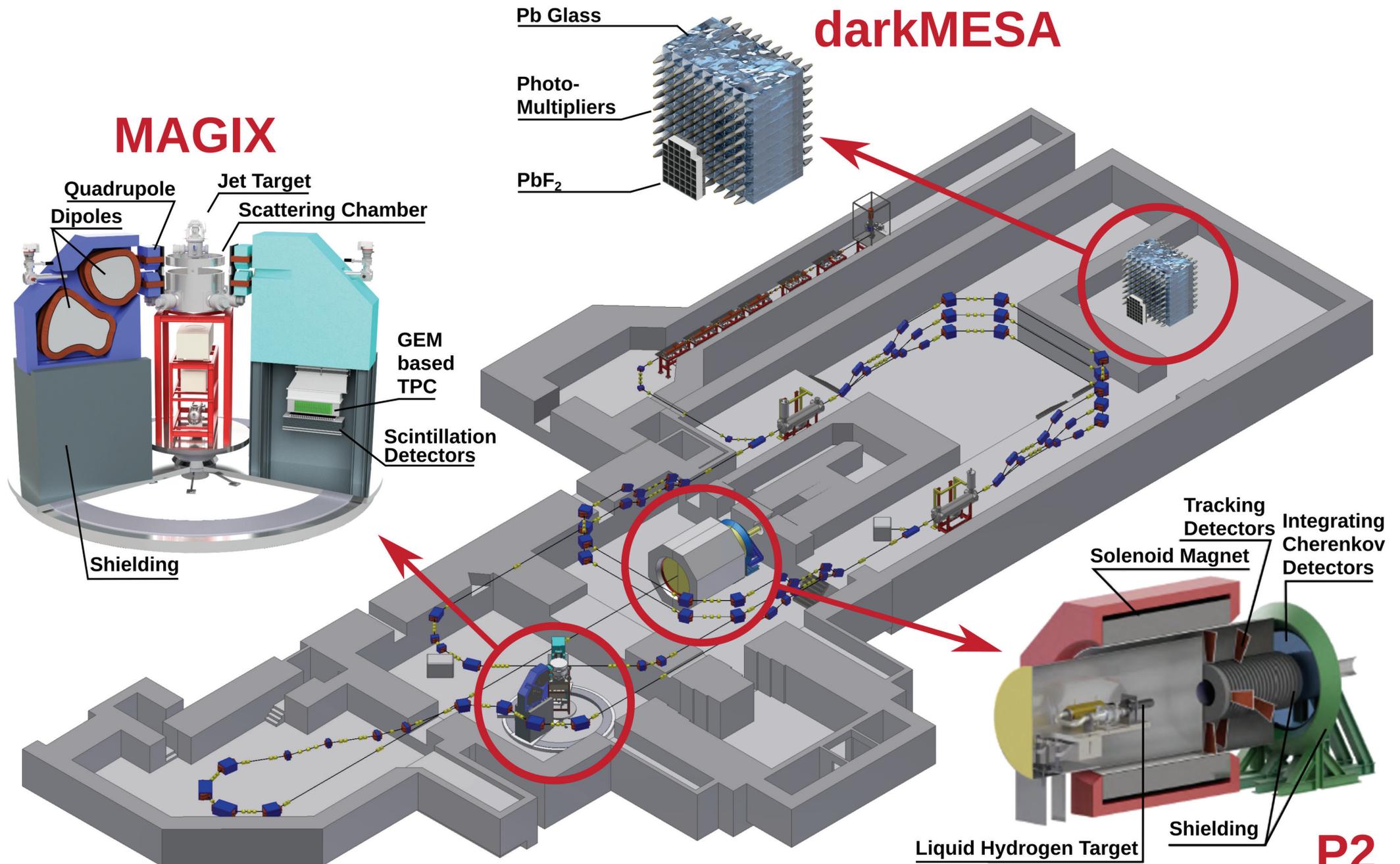
- In principle yes...
- But power is expensive
- Why dump electrons?

Energy recovery

- Put energy back into field!
- Can go up to 1 (10) mA beam current
- But not with a thick target



Mainz Energy-Recovery Superconducting Accelerator



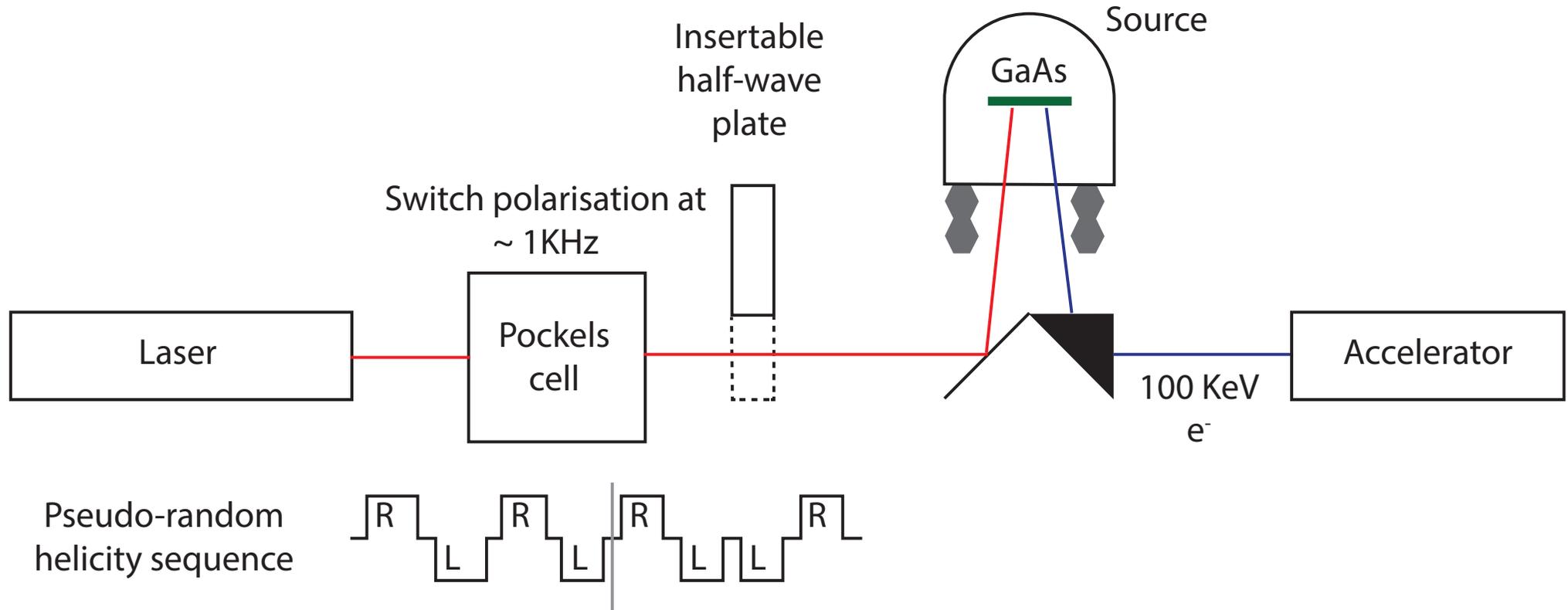
Civil construction

- Start was long delayed
- Actual construction making very good progress
- Accelerator construction in 2022





Polarized Source and Helicity Flips



Stability Requirements

The main worry are beam fluctuations correlated with the helicity:

	Achieved at MAMI	$\sin^2\theta_w$ uncertainty	requirement
• Energy fluctuations:	0.04 eV	< 0.1 ppb	ok!
• Position fluctuations	3 nm	5 ppb	0.13 nm
• Angle fluctuations	0.5 nrad	3 ppb	0.06 nrad
• Intensity fluctuations	14 ppb	4 ppb	0.36 ppb

Polarimetry at MESA

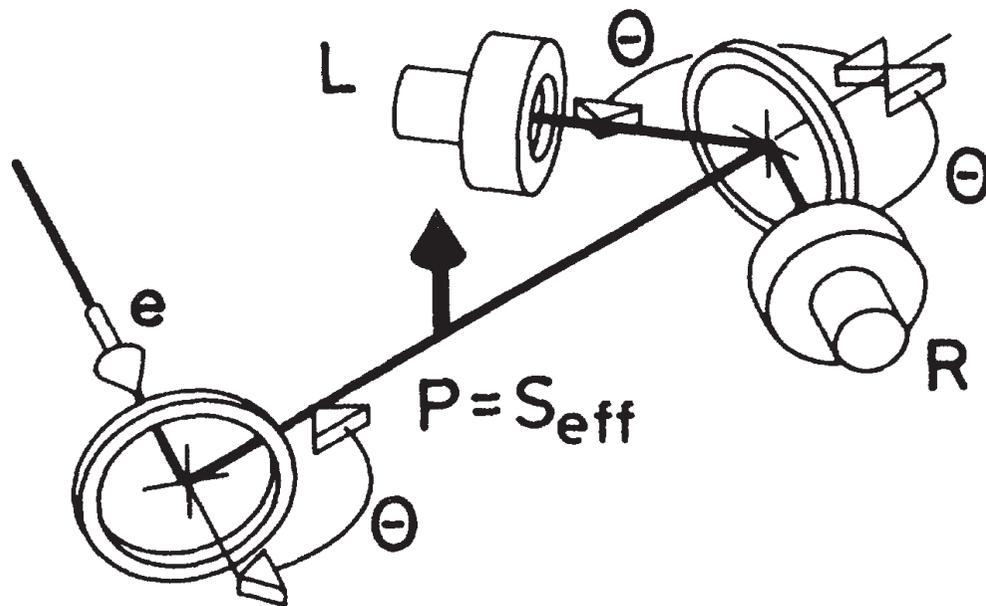
Polarimetry: Double Mott Polarimeter

Mott Polarimetry:

- Measure left/right asymmetry to obtain spin polarisation
- Analysing power of foils needs to be extrapolated

Double Mott Polarimeter:

- Obtain analysing power from measurement
- Precise measurement of spin polarisation
- Invasive measurement at source

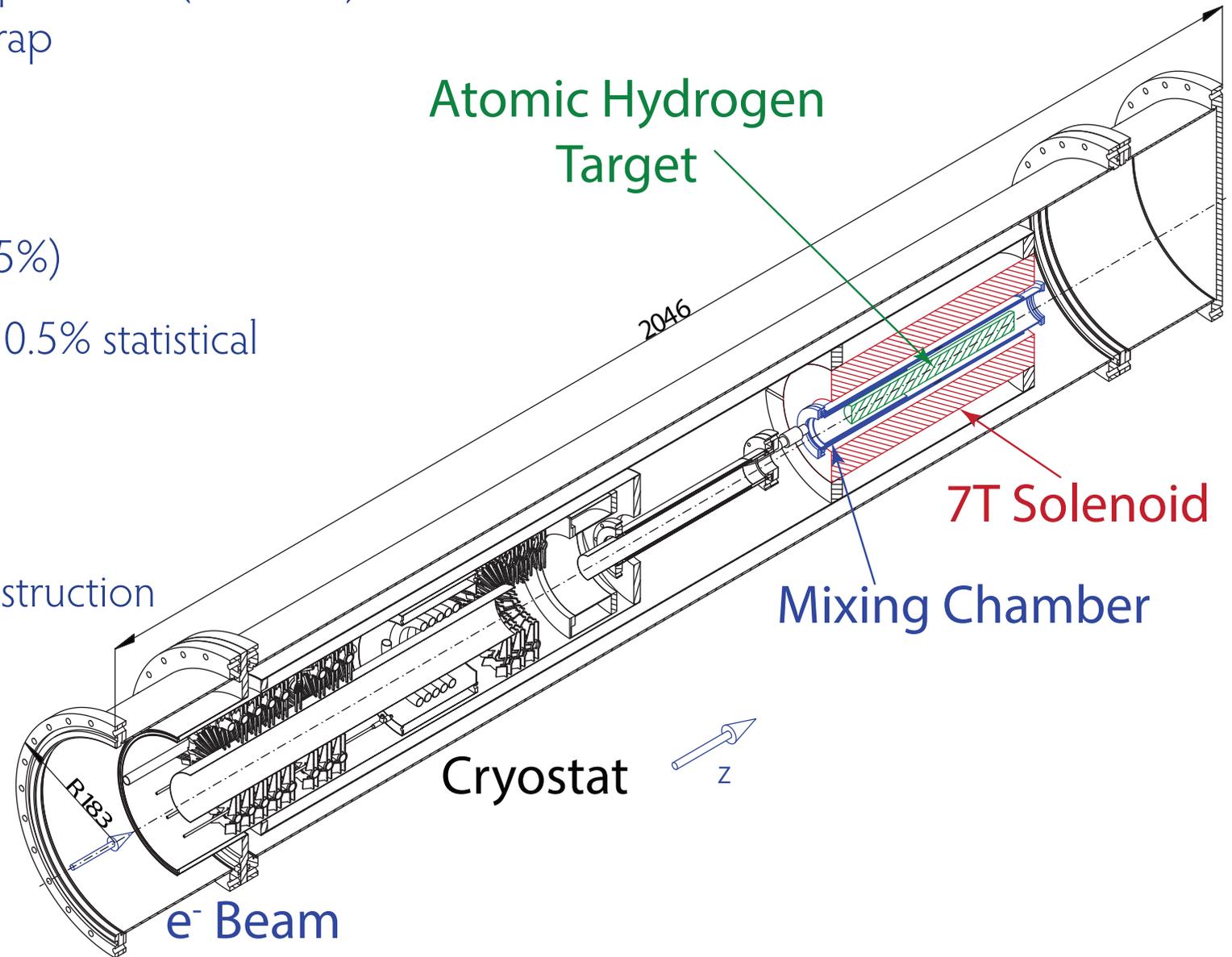


[Gellrich and Kessler, Phys.Rev.A. 43, 204 (1991)]

Polarimetry: Hydro-Møller Polarimeter

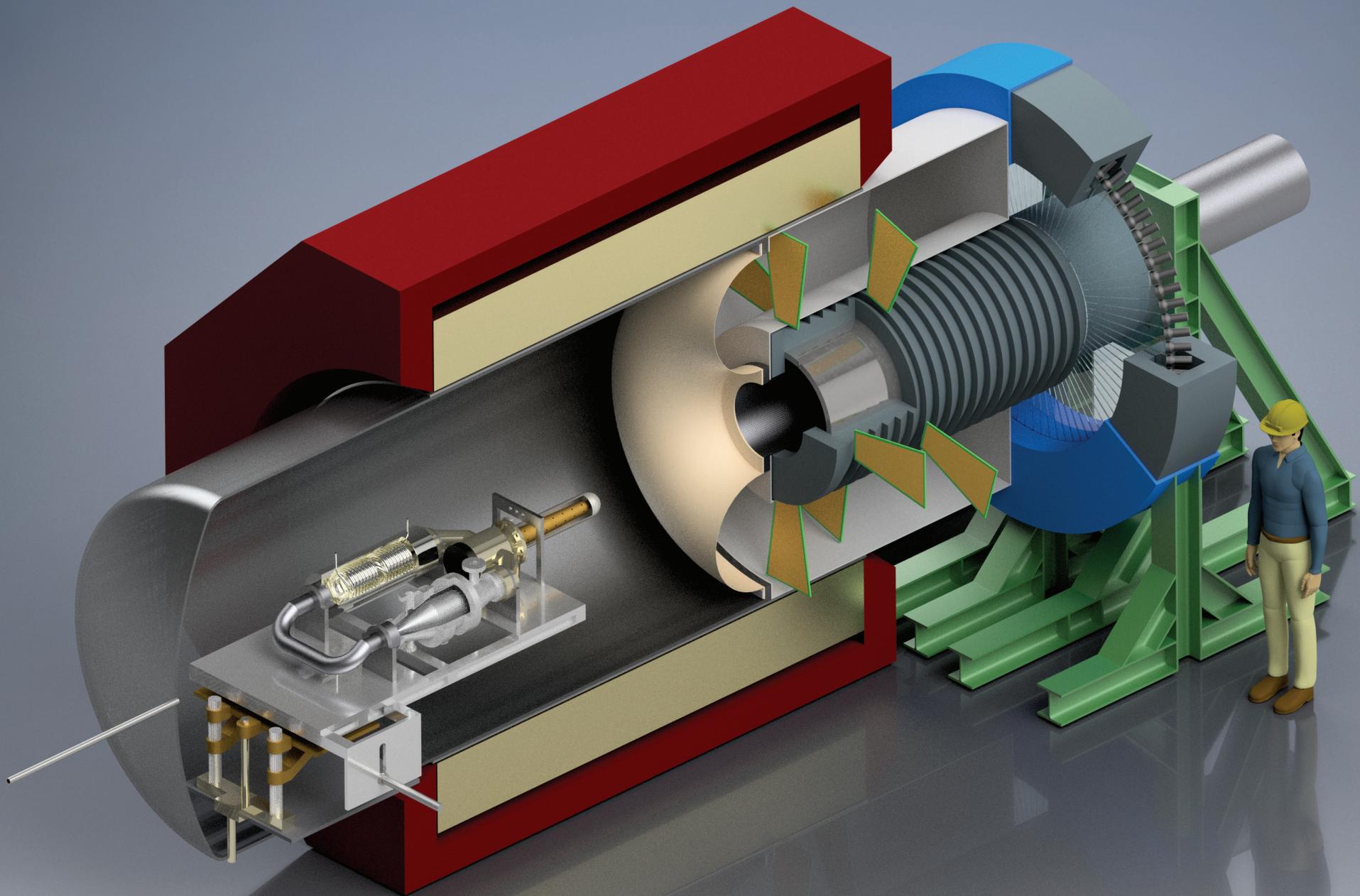
Møller scattering from polarized (8 T field)
atomic hydrogen in a trap

- Online capability
- High accuracy ($< 0.5\%$)
- About 2 h to reach 0.5% statistical accuracy
- Cryostat under construction



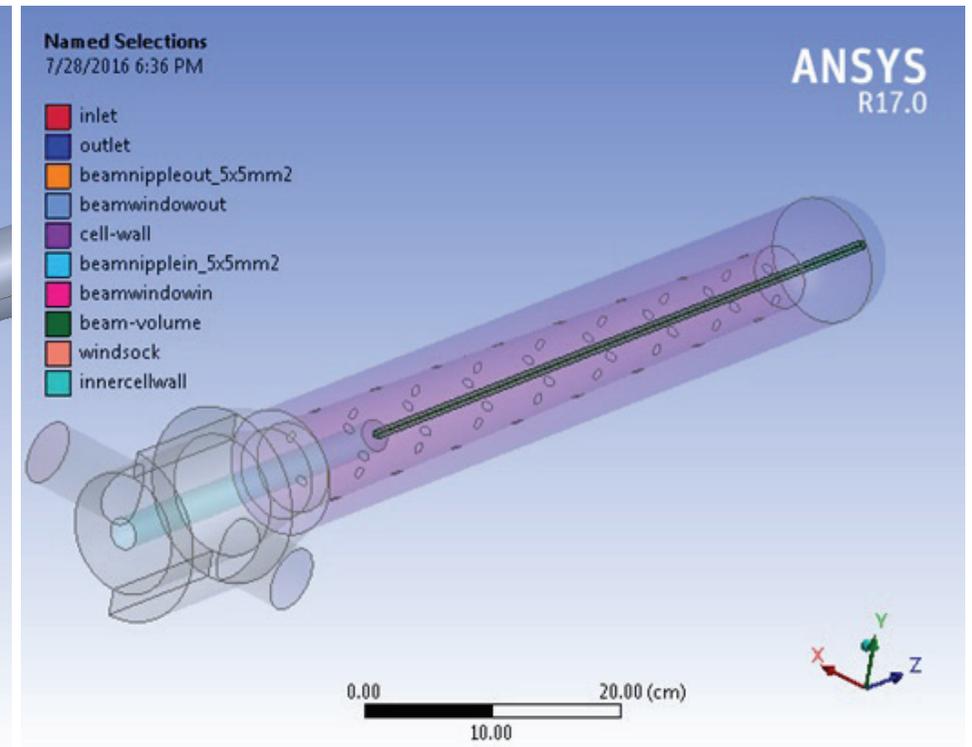
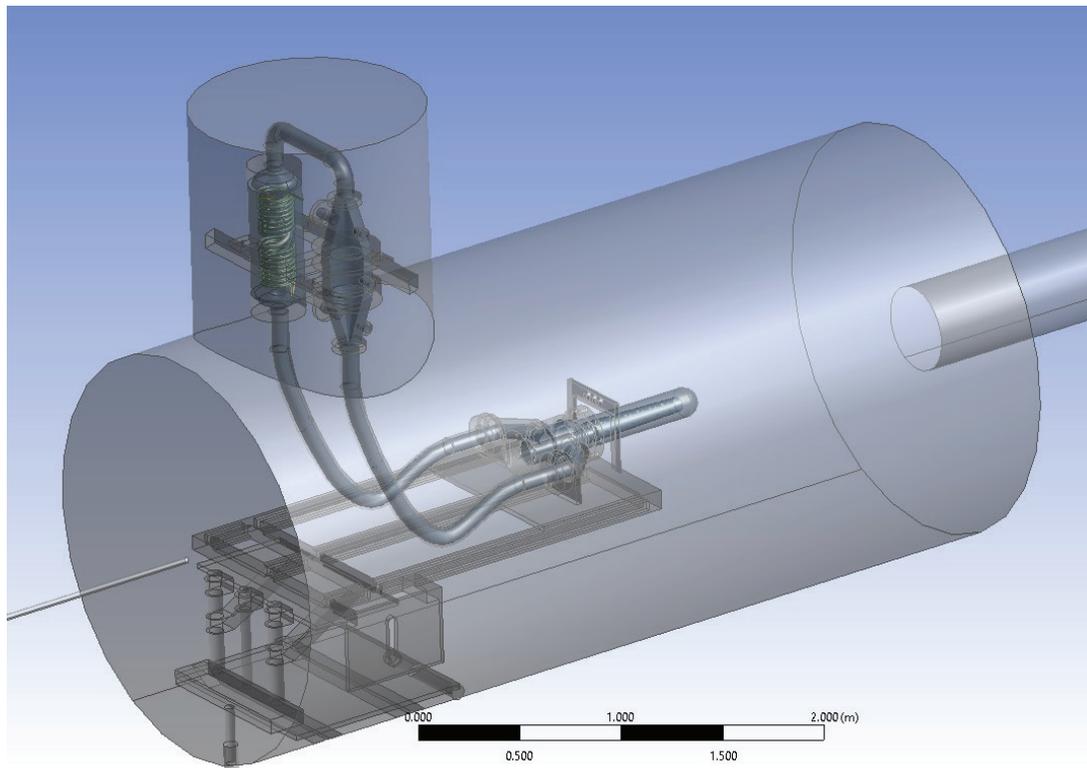
P2:

How to detect 100 GHz of (the right) electrons...



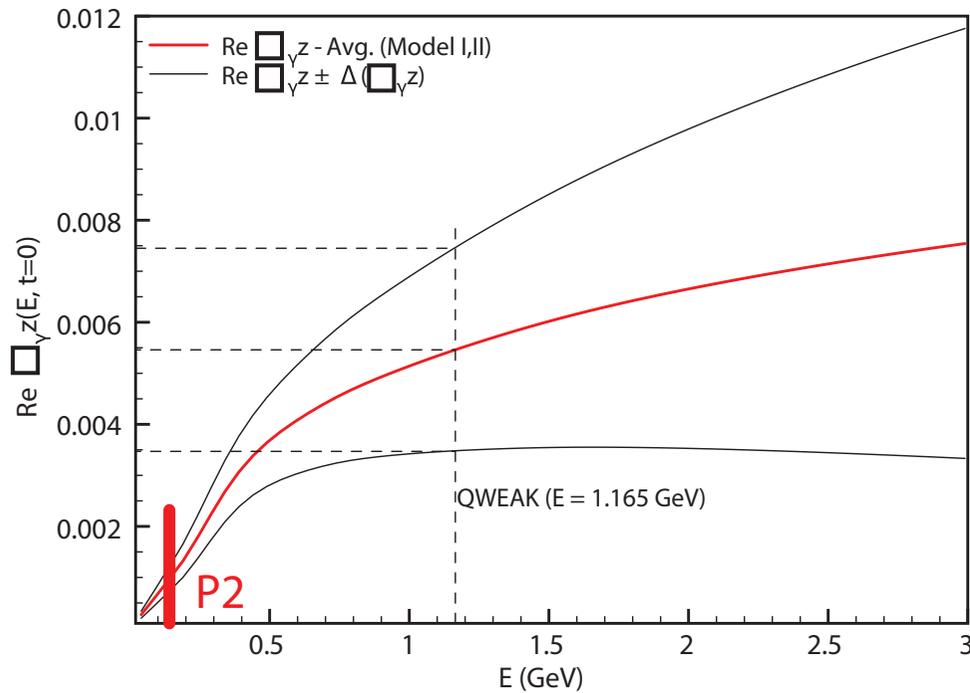
Target

- 60 cm of liquid hydrogen
- 3.1 KW beam power deposited
- Should not boil...
- Challenging design using CFD tools (Silviu Covrig, JLab)

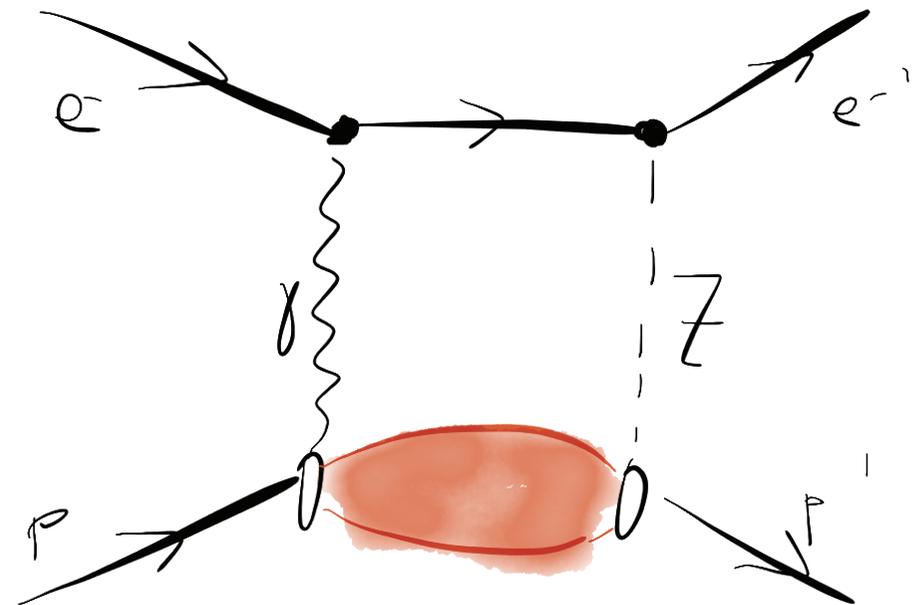


Choice of beam energy

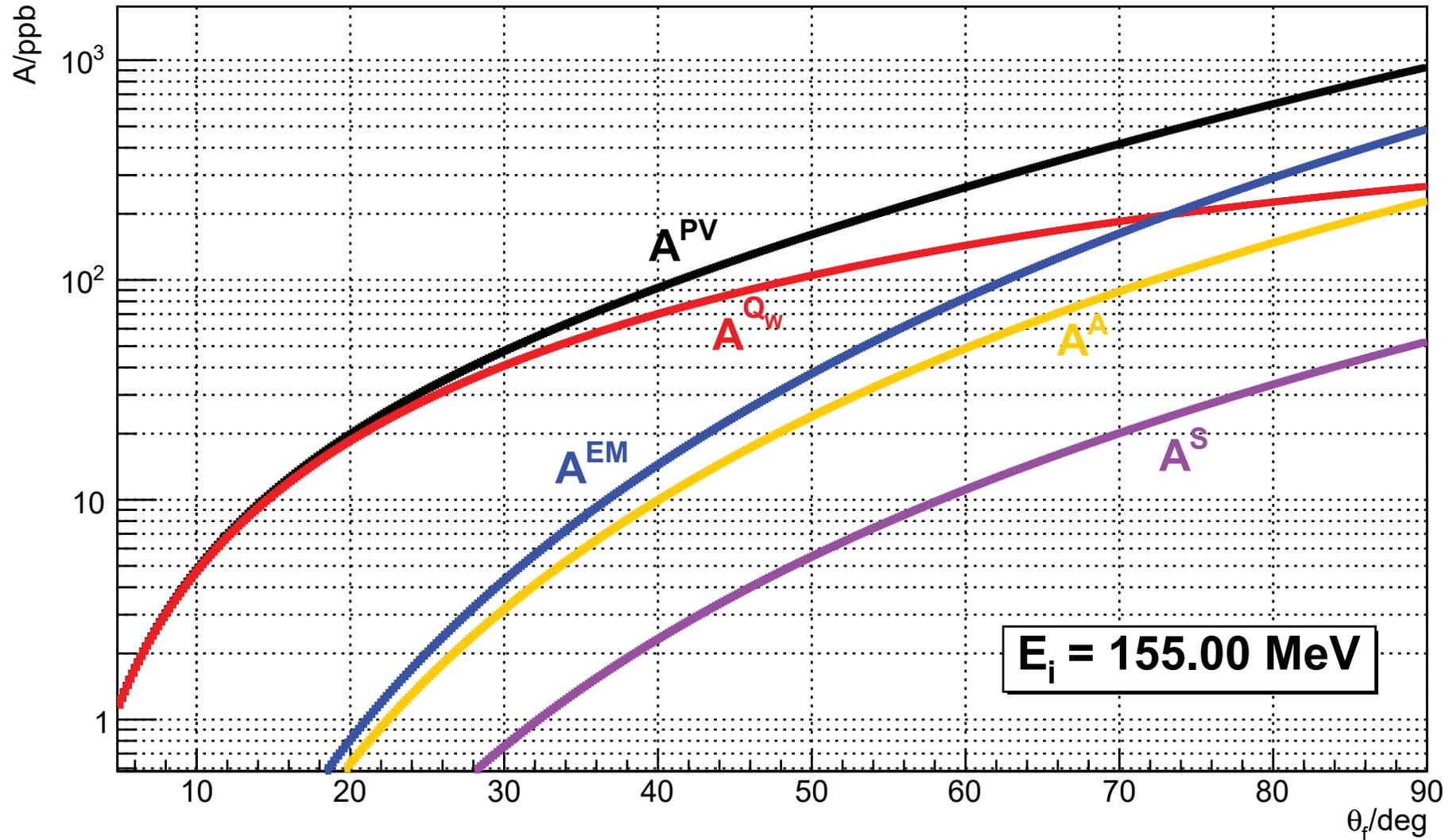
- γ -Z box graphs contribute to asymmetry
- Large uncertainty due to hadronic uncertainty
- Uncertainty rises with beam energy
- Choose small energy (155 MeV)



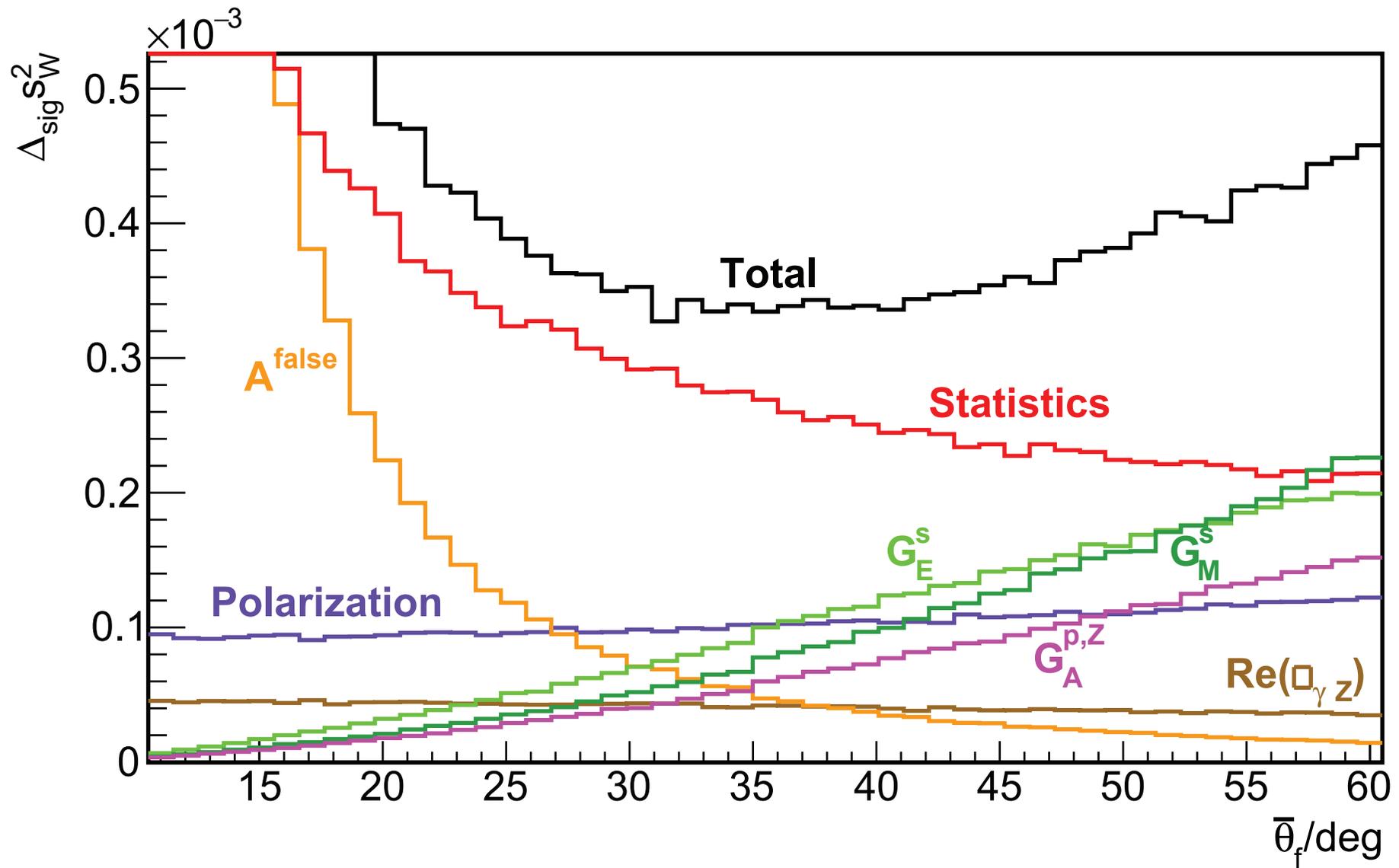
[Gorchstein, Horowitz, Ramsey-Musolf 2011]



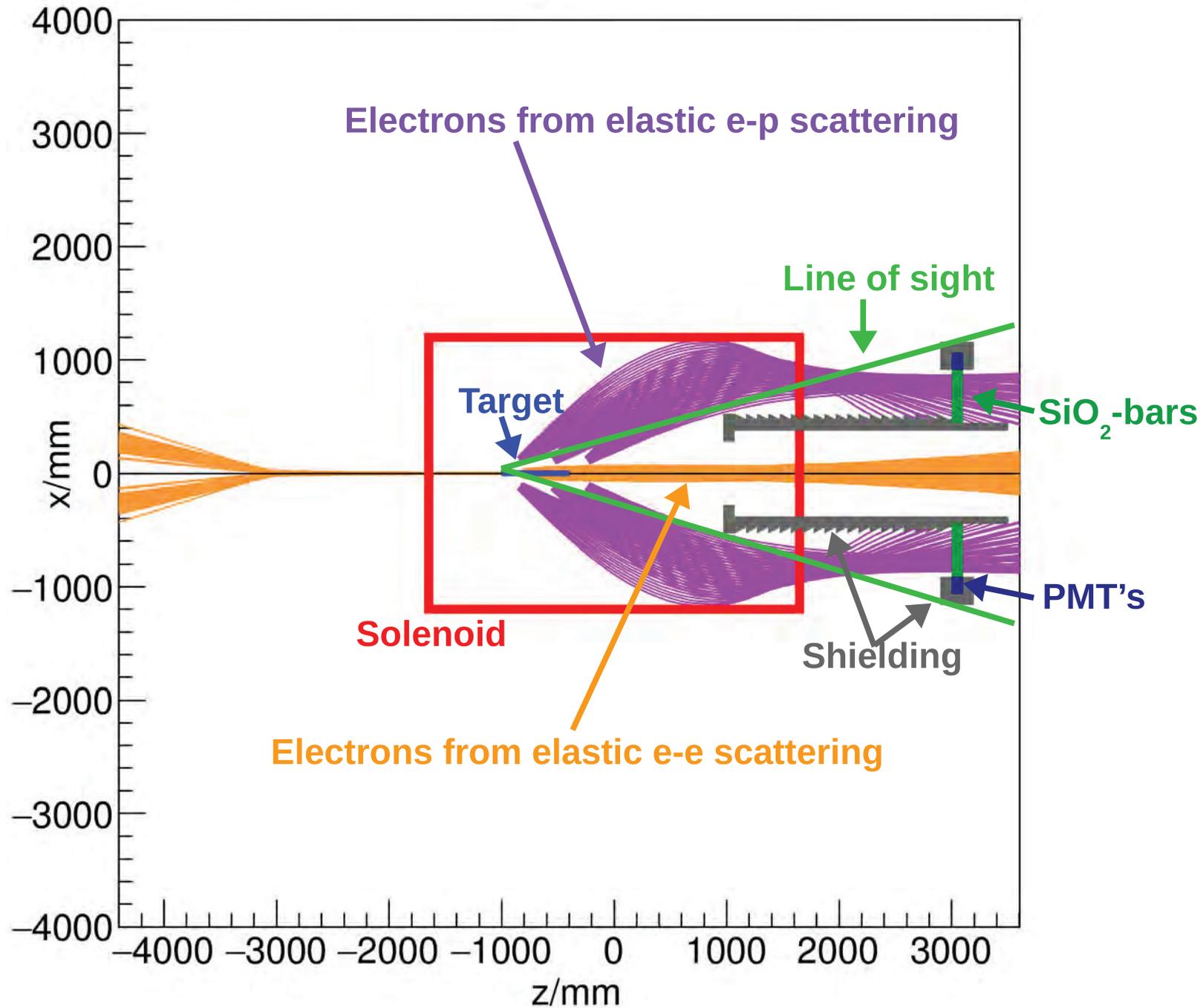
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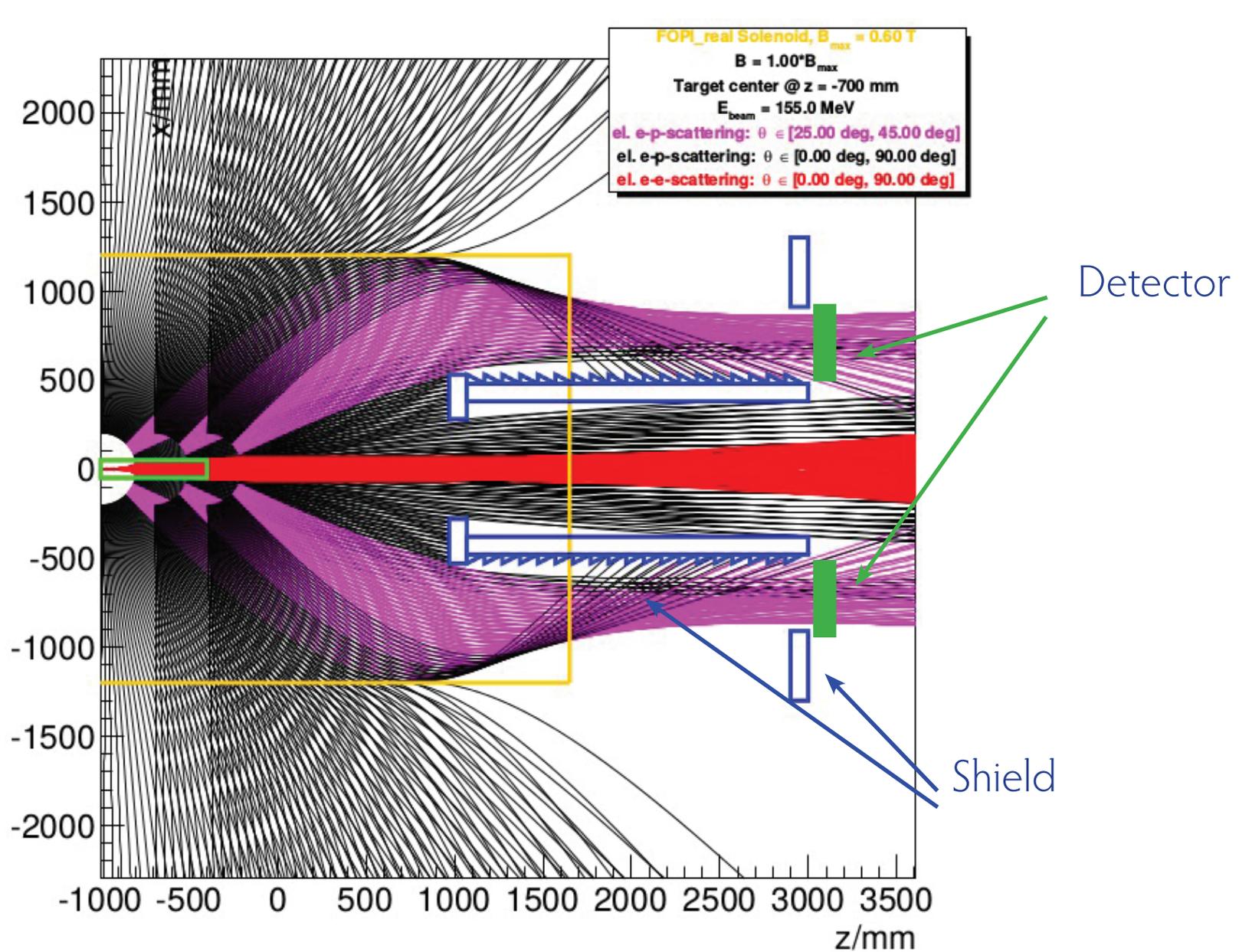
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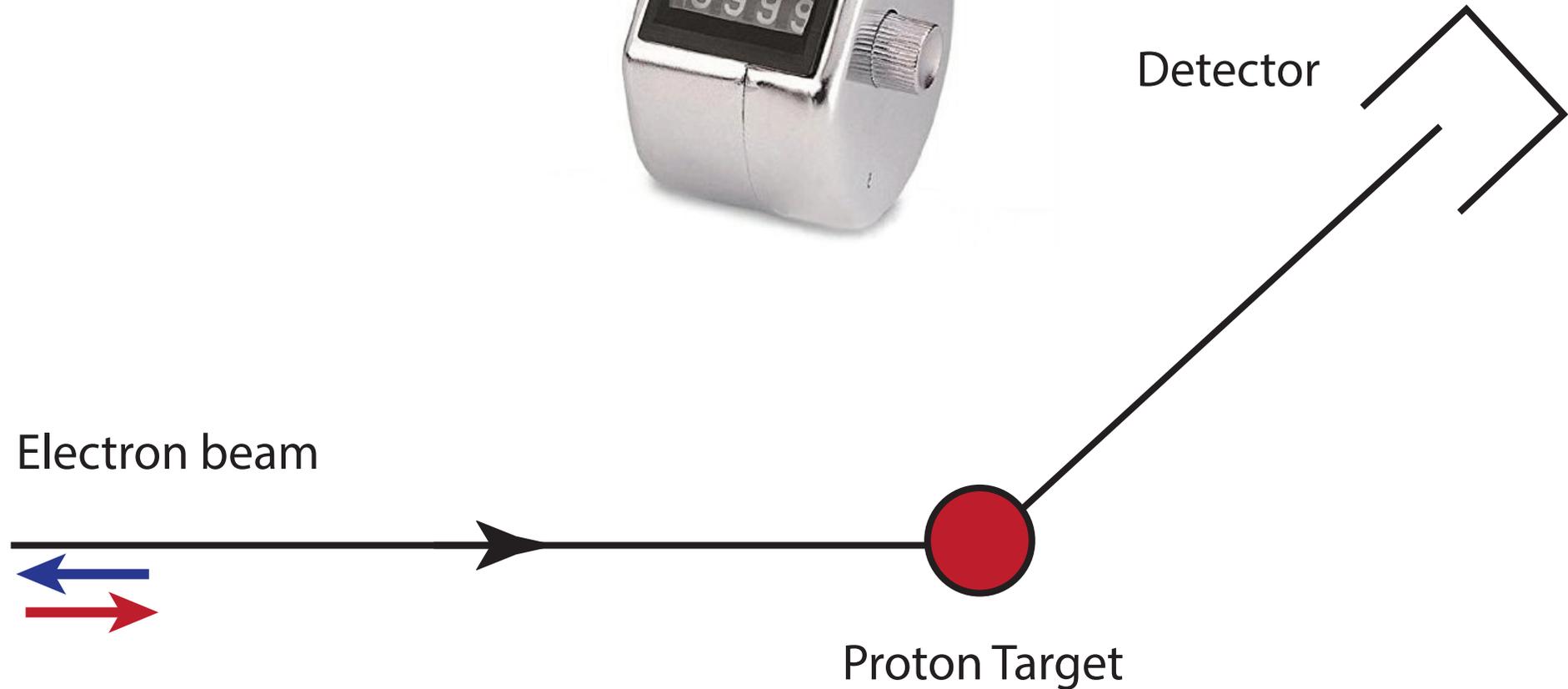
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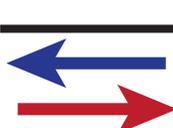
Counting detectors



Integrating detectors



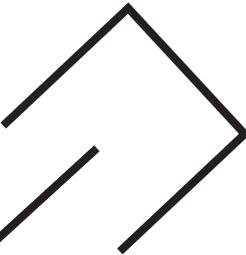
Electron beam



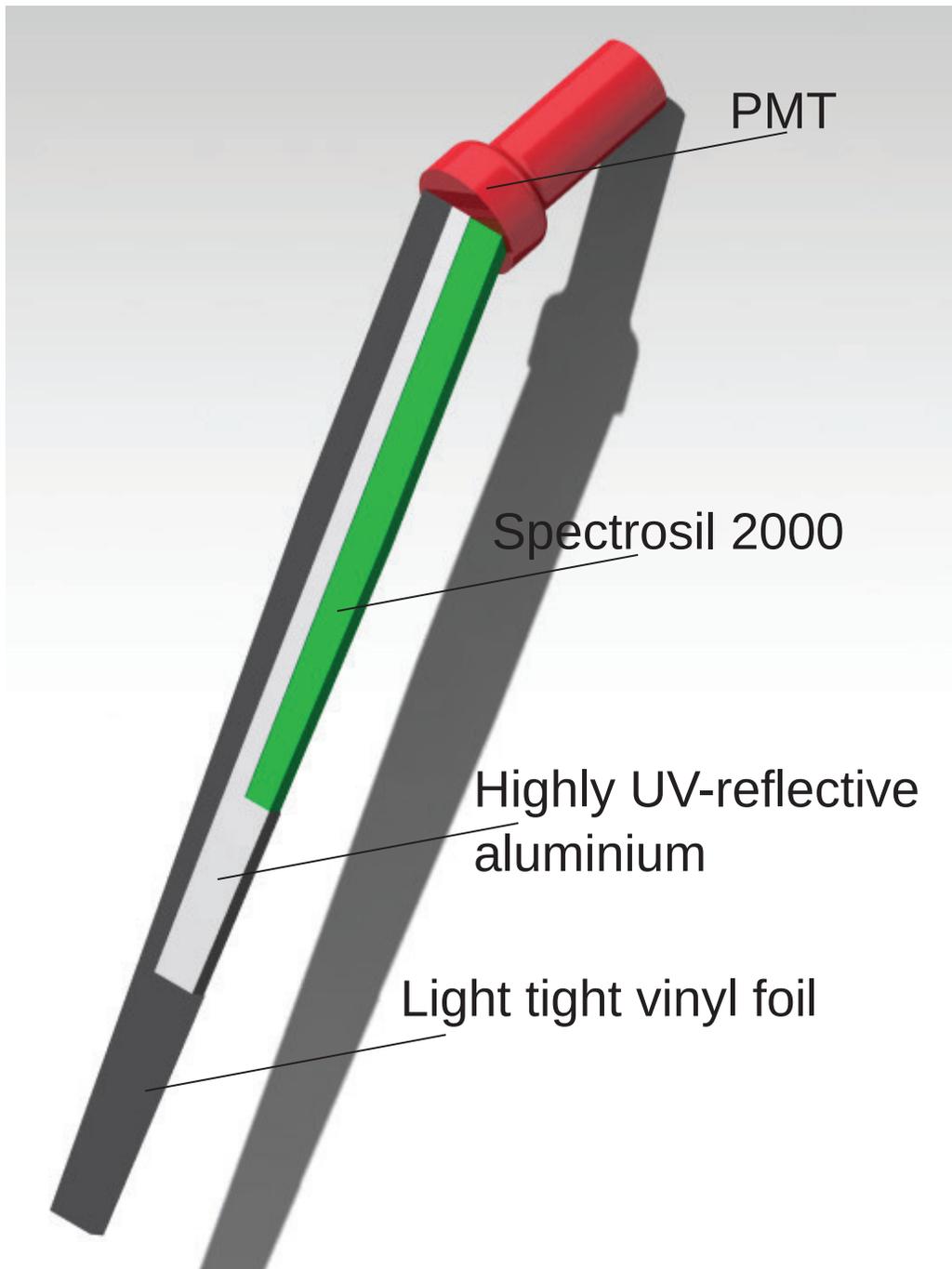
Proton Target



Detector

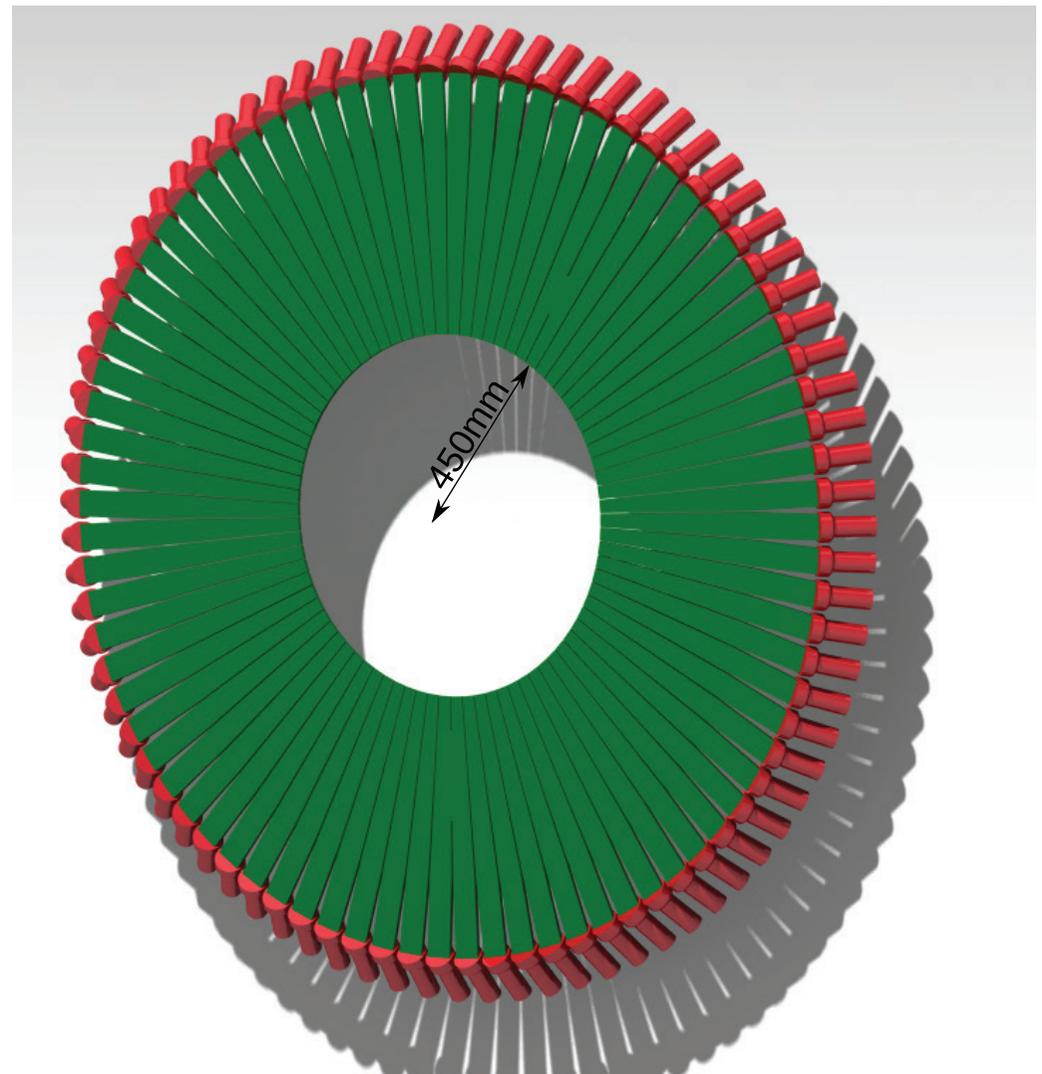


Quartz-Bars & Photomultipliers



Detect Cherenkov-light created by electrons

Integrate photomultiplier current

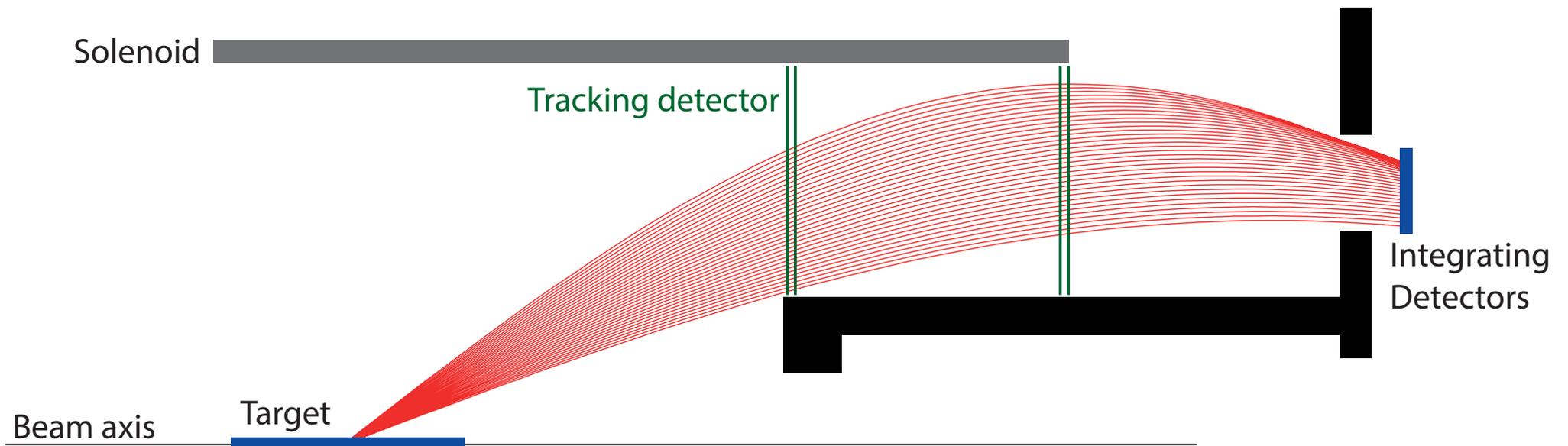


Measuring Q^2 :

Tracking a
lot of low momentum particles

Tracker requirement

- Low momentum electrons:
Thin detectors
- Very high rates:
Fast and granular detectors

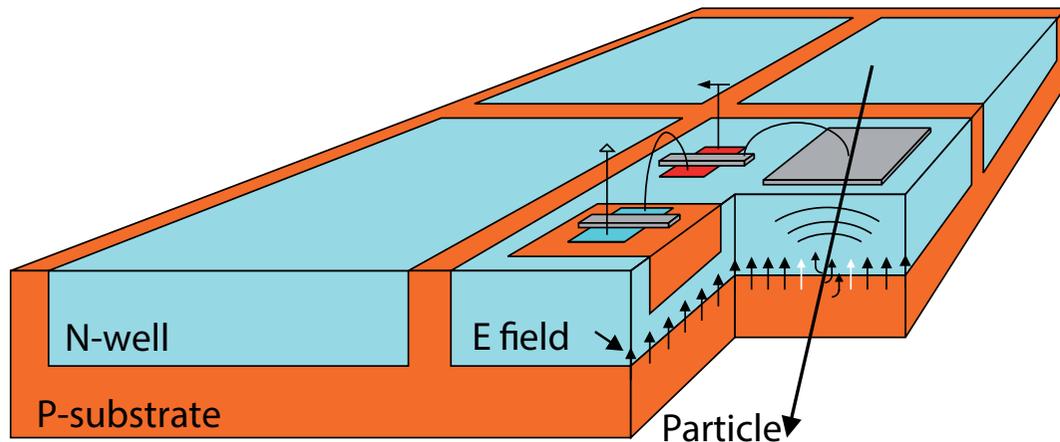


Fast, thin, cheap pixel sensors

High Voltage Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors

Fast and thin sensors: HV-MAPS

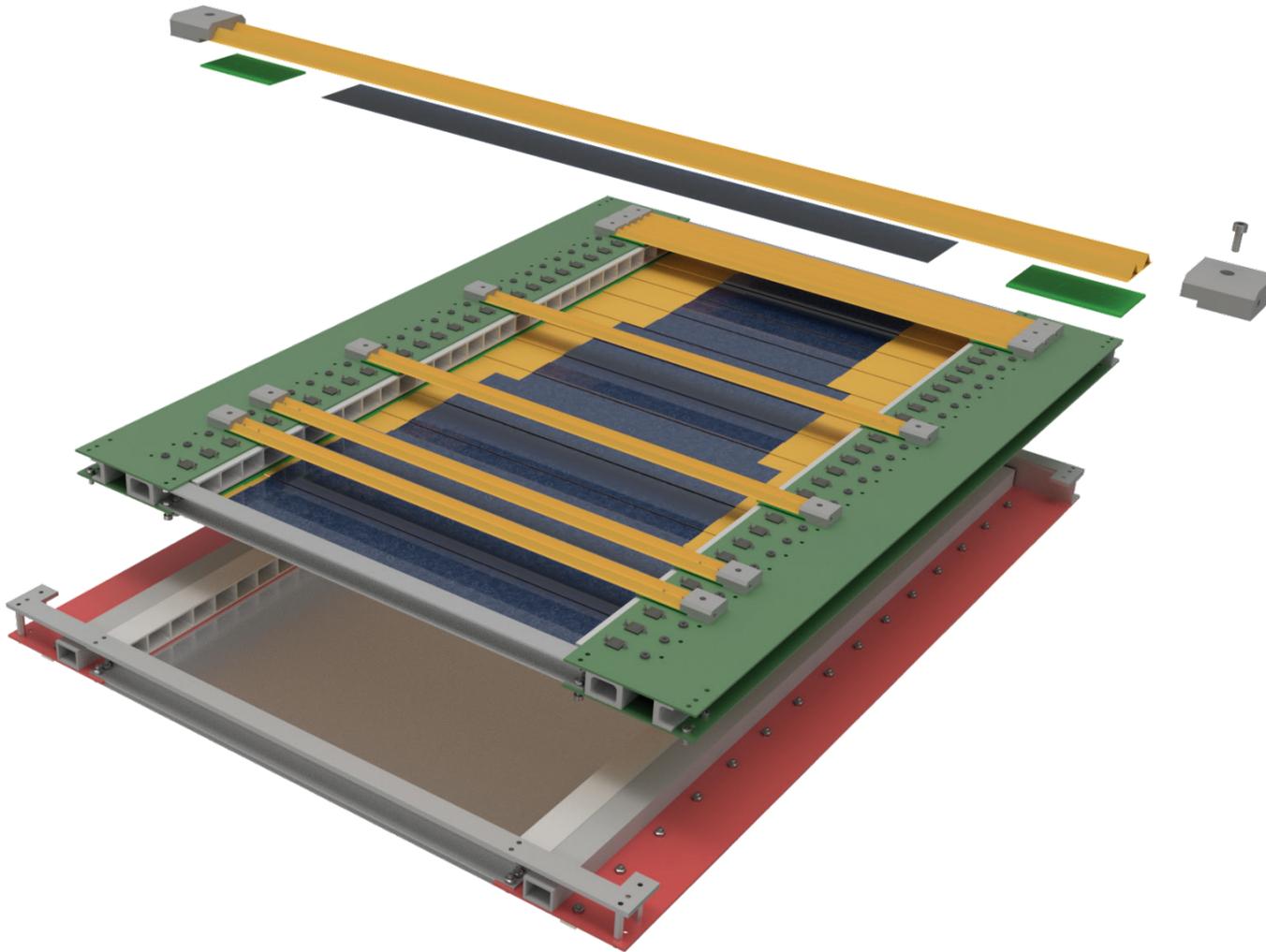
High voltage monolithic active pixel sensors - Ivan Perić (morning sessions!)



- Use a high voltage commercial process (automotive industry)
- Small active region, fast charge collection via drift
- Implement logic directly in N-well in the pixel - smart diode array
- Can be thinned down to $< 50 \mu\text{m}$
- Logic on chip: Output are zero-suppressed hit addresses and timestamps

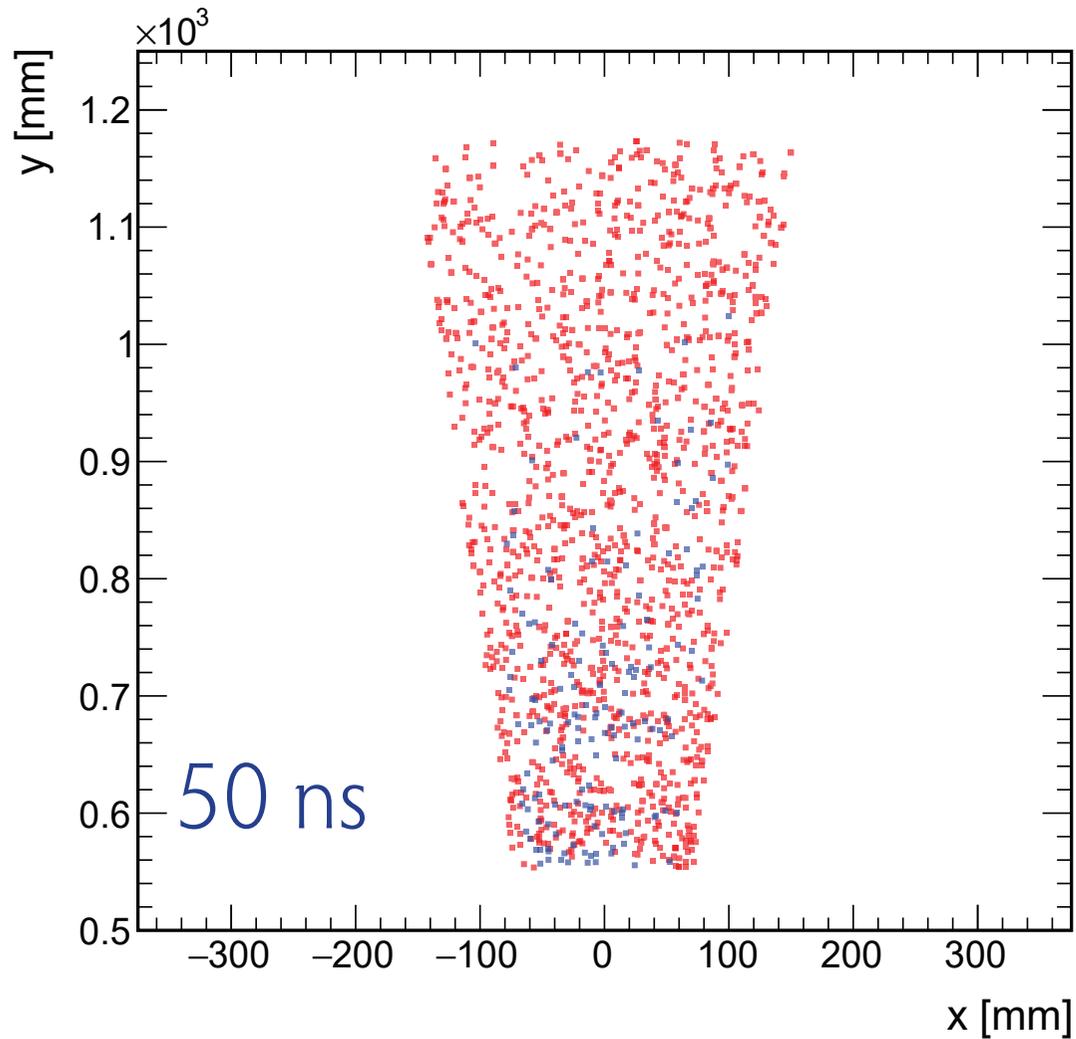
(I.Perić, P. Fischer et al., NIM A 582 (2007) 876)

Mechanics



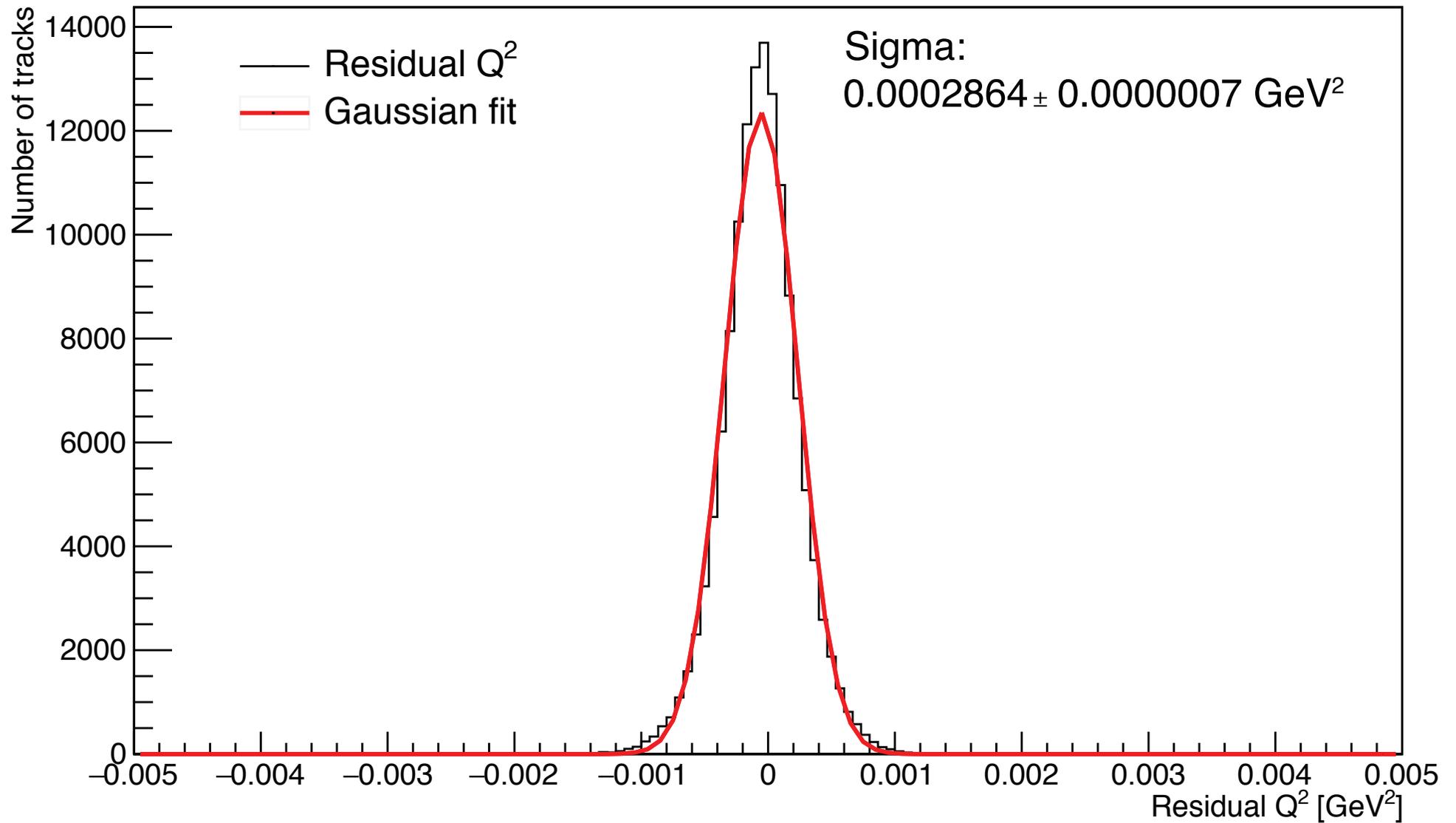
- 50 µm silicon
- 25 µm Kapton™ flexprint with aluminium traces
- 25 µm Kapton™ folds as support
- About 1‰ of a radiation length per layer

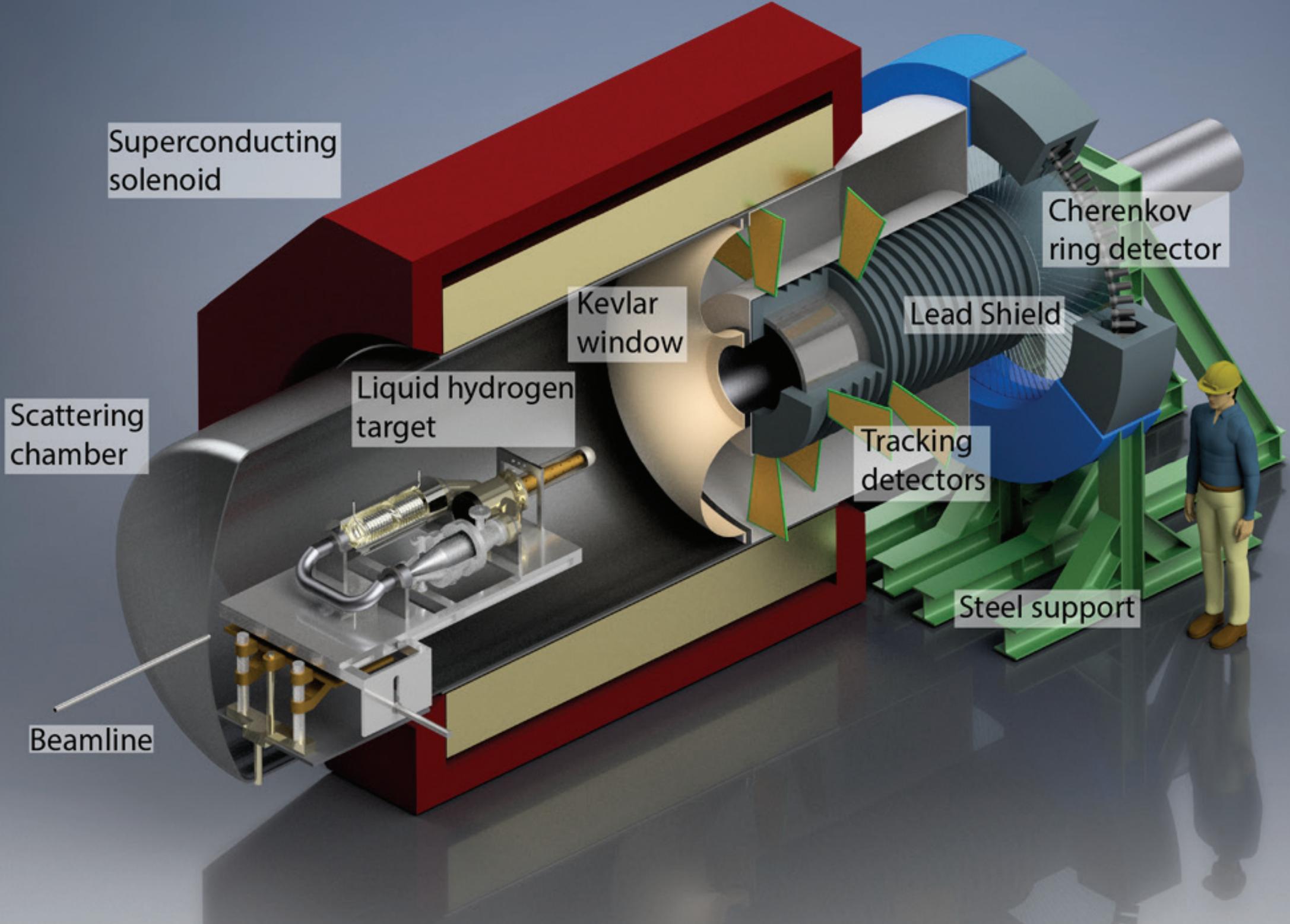
The tracking challenge



- 100 GHz electrons
- about 1000 Bremsstrahlung photons per electron

Q^2 reconstruction





Superconducting solenoid

Scattering chamber

Liquid hydrogen target

Kevlar window

Tracking detectors

Lead Shield

Cherenkov ring detector

Steel support

Beamline

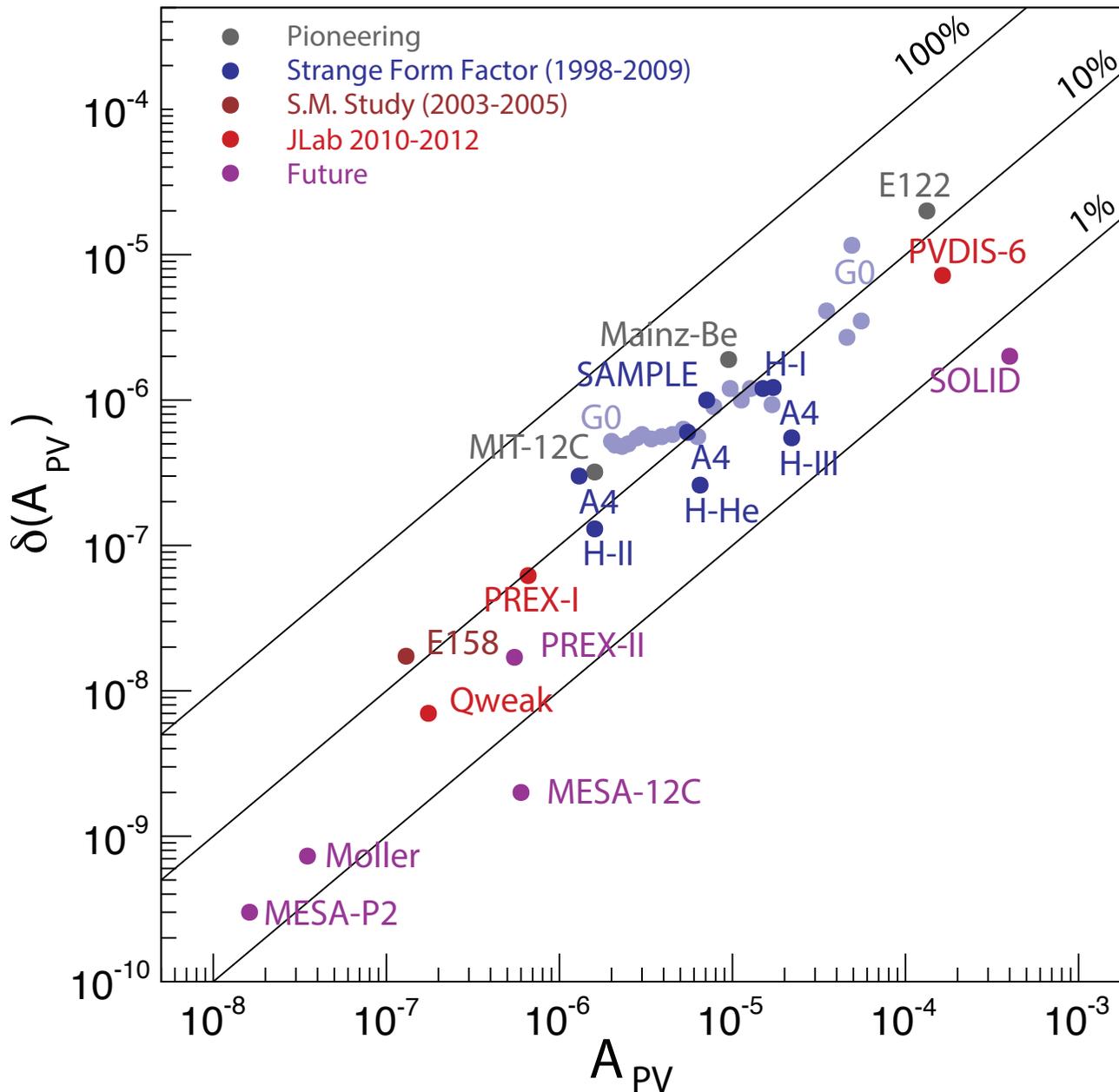
P2 Error budget

E_{beam}	155 MeV
$\bar{\theta}_f$	35°
$\delta\theta_f$	20°
$\langle Q^2 \rangle_{L=600 \text{ mm}, \delta\theta_f=20^\circ}$	$6 \times 10^{-3} (\text{GeV}/c)^2$
$\langle A^{\text{exp}} \rangle$	-39.94 ppb
$(\Delta A^{\text{exp}})_{\text{Total}}$	0.56 ppb (1.40 %)
$(\Delta A^{\text{exp}})_{\text{Statistics}}$	0.51 ppb (1.28 %)
$(\Delta A^{\text{exp}})_{\text{Polarization}}$	0.21 ppb (0.53 %)
$(\Delta A^{\text{exp}})_{\text{Apparative}}$	0.10 ppb (0.25 %)

$\langle s_{\text{W}}^2 \rangle$	0.231 16
$(\Delta s_{\text{W}}^2)_{\text{Total}}$	3.3×10^{-4} (0.14 %)
$(\Delta s_{\text{W}}^2)_{\text{Statistics}}$	2.7×10^{-4} (0.12 %)
$(\Delta s_{\text{W}}^2)_{\text{Polarization}}$	1.0×10^{-4} (0.04 %)
$(\Delta s_{\text{W}}^2)_{\text{Apparative}}$	0.5×10^{-4} (0.02 %)
$(\Delta s_{\text{W}}^2)_{\square_{\gamma Z}}$	0.4×10^{-4} (0.02 %)
$(\Delta s_{\text{W}}^2)_{\text{nucl. FF}}$	1.2×10^{-4} (0.05 %)
$\langle Q^2 \rangle_{\text{Cherenkov}}$	$4.57 \times 10^{-3} (\text{GeV}/c)^2$
$\langle A^{\text{exp}} \rangle_{\text{Cherenkov}}$	-28.77 ppb

Can we do more?

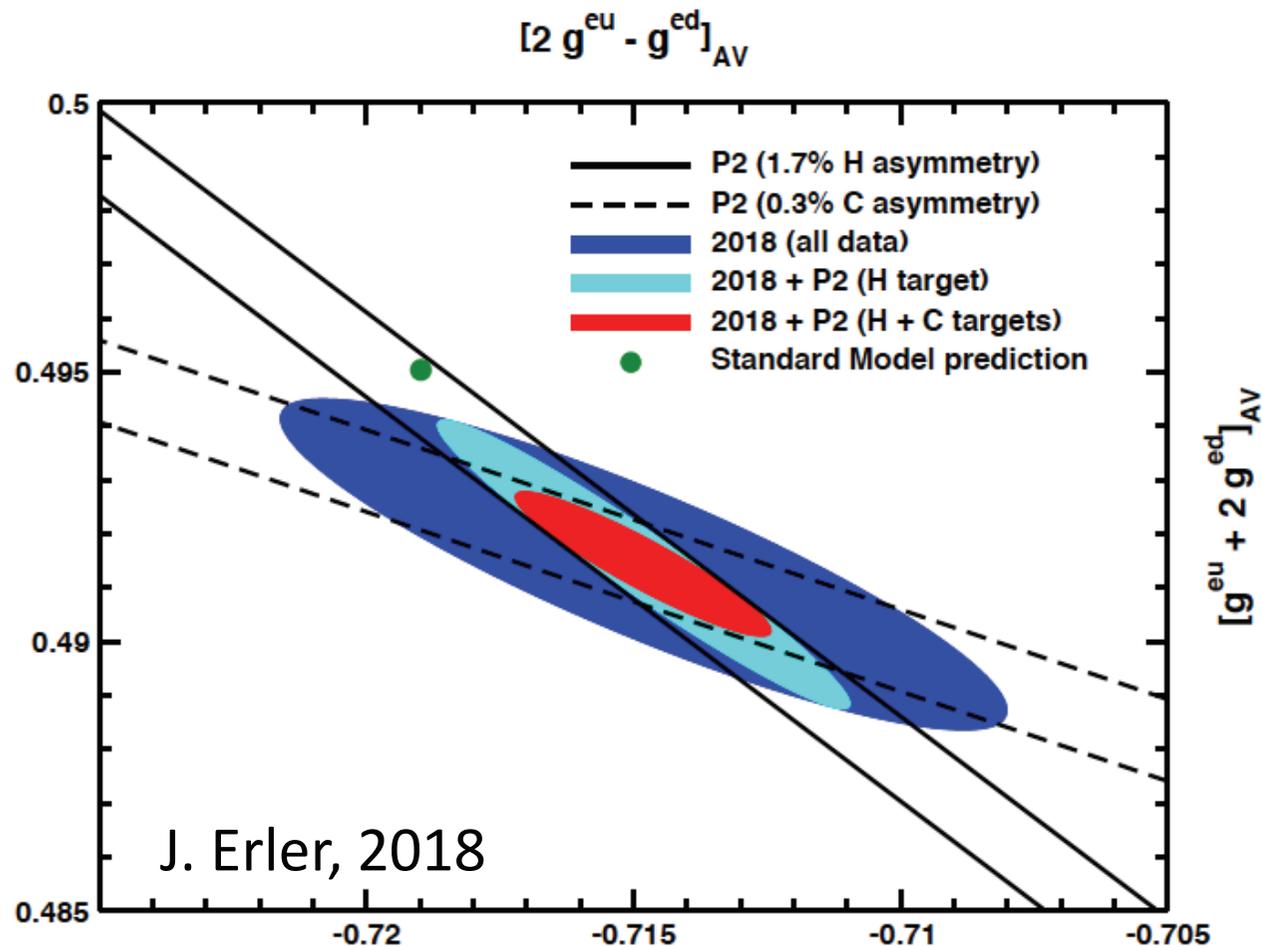
Carbon



- Same with a ^{12}C target
- Much larger asymmetry
- No $1 - 4 \sin^2\theta_W$ bonus - not competitive for $\sin^2\theta_W$ (potentially 2nd best measurement on a nucleus)
- But: New direction in isospin space
- Experimentally: Limited by polarimetry, hope to ultimately reach 0.3%
- Best measurement to date: MIT-Bates, ~25%

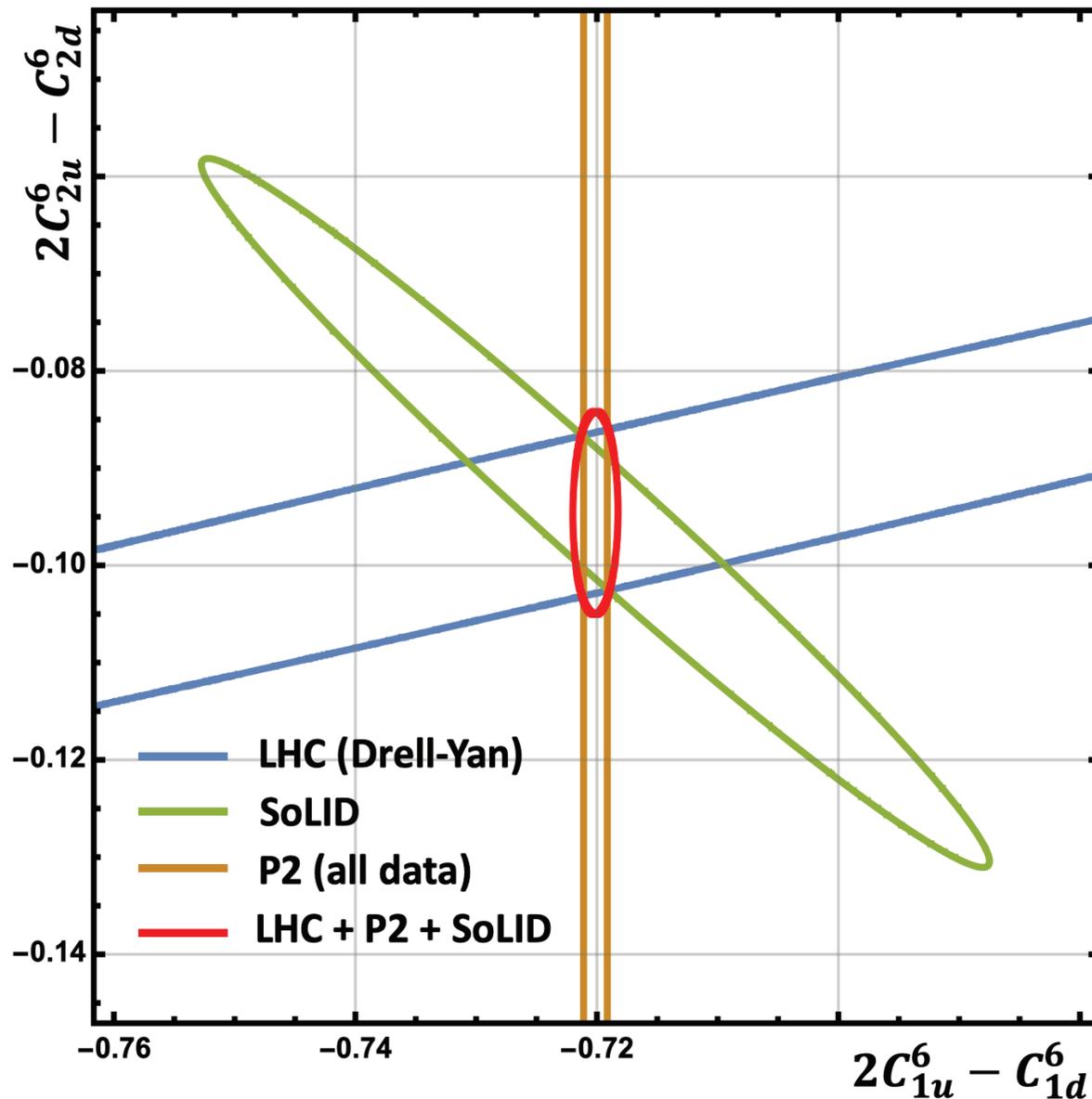
Constraints on couplings

- Power comes from the combination of C and H



Quark-vector electron-axial-vector couplings

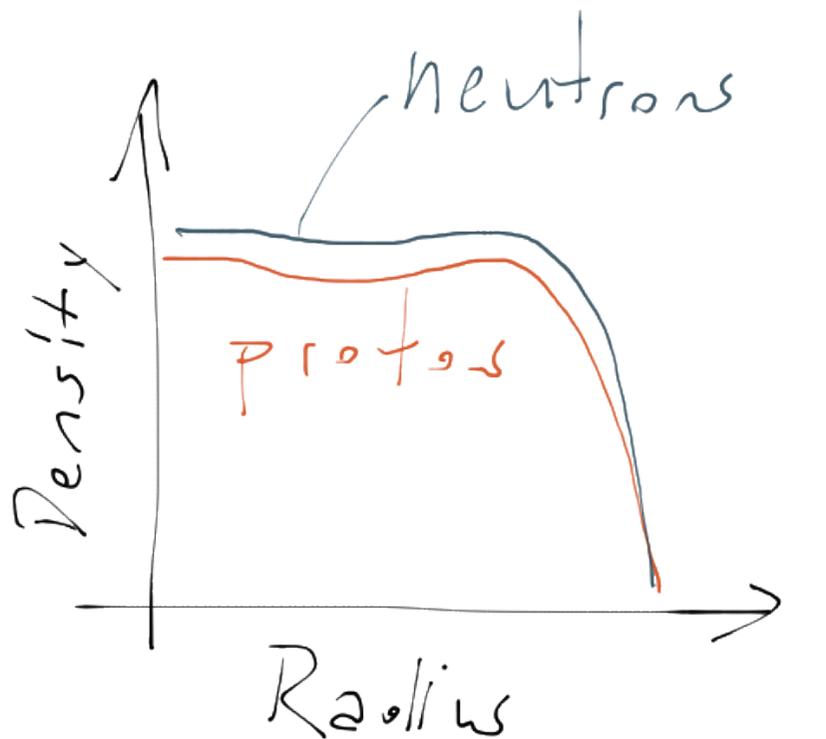
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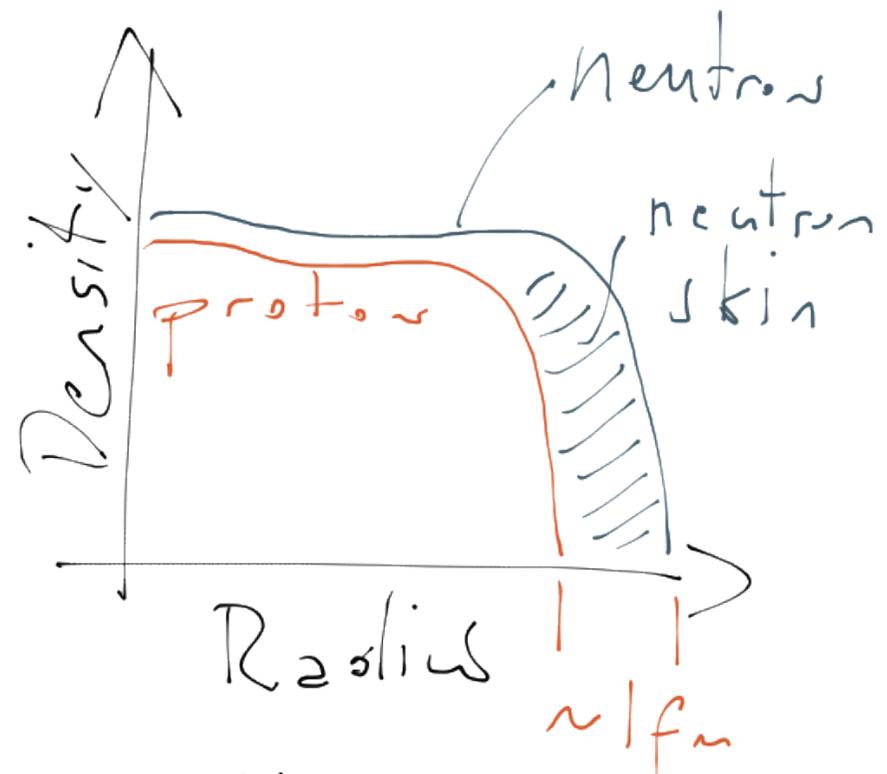
- Power comes from the combination of C and H
- SMEFT, dimension 6 operators
- Here: All other operators set to 0
- Boughezal, Petriello, Weigand, arXiv:2104.03979

Neutron Skin of ^{208}Pb

Where are the neutrons in the nucleus?



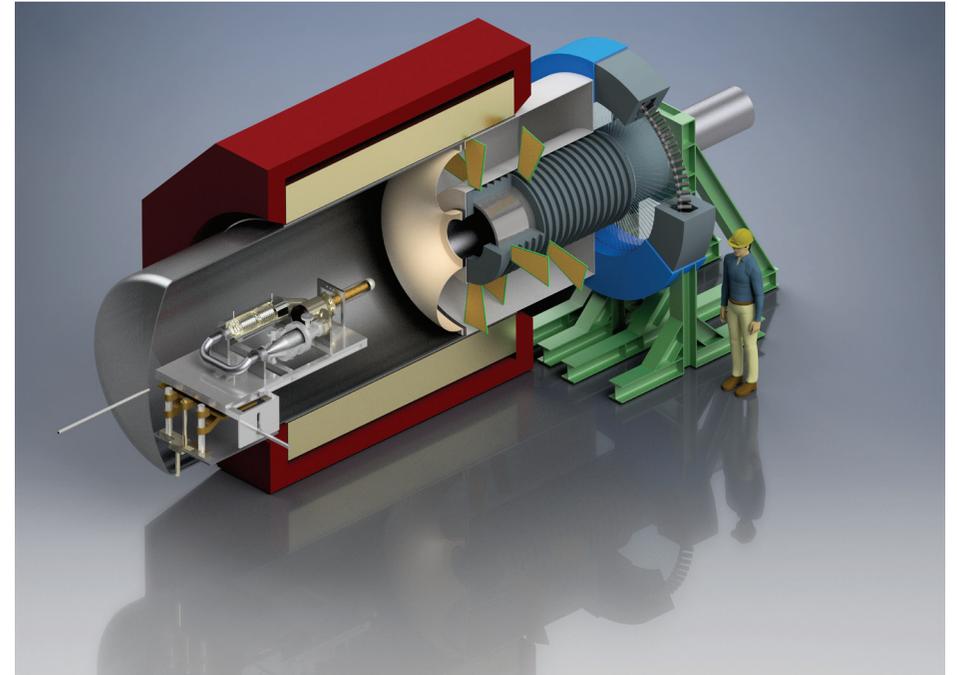
Balanced Nucleus



Neutron-rich Nucleus

How to see the neutrons?

- Not charged: Photons not a good probe
- Use parity violating electron scattering:
Proton weak charge is almost zero -
see mostly neutrons



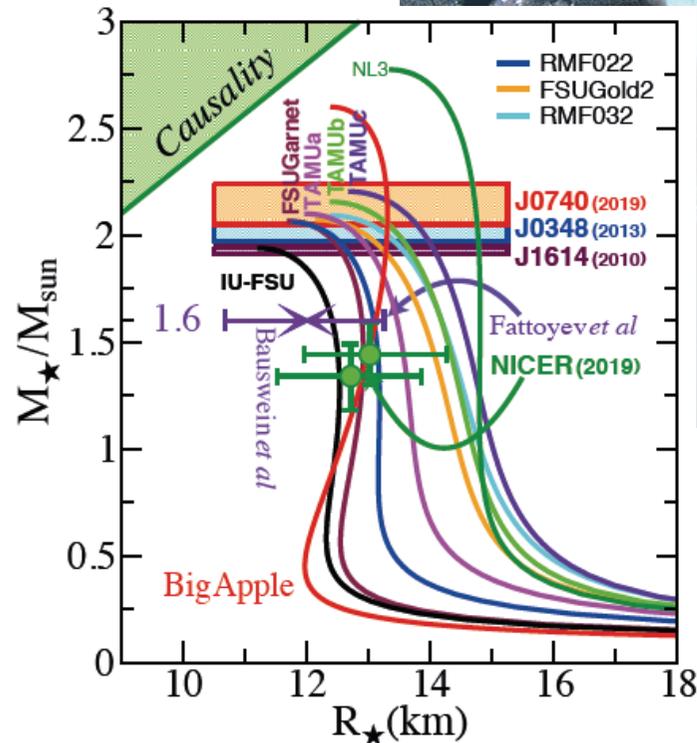
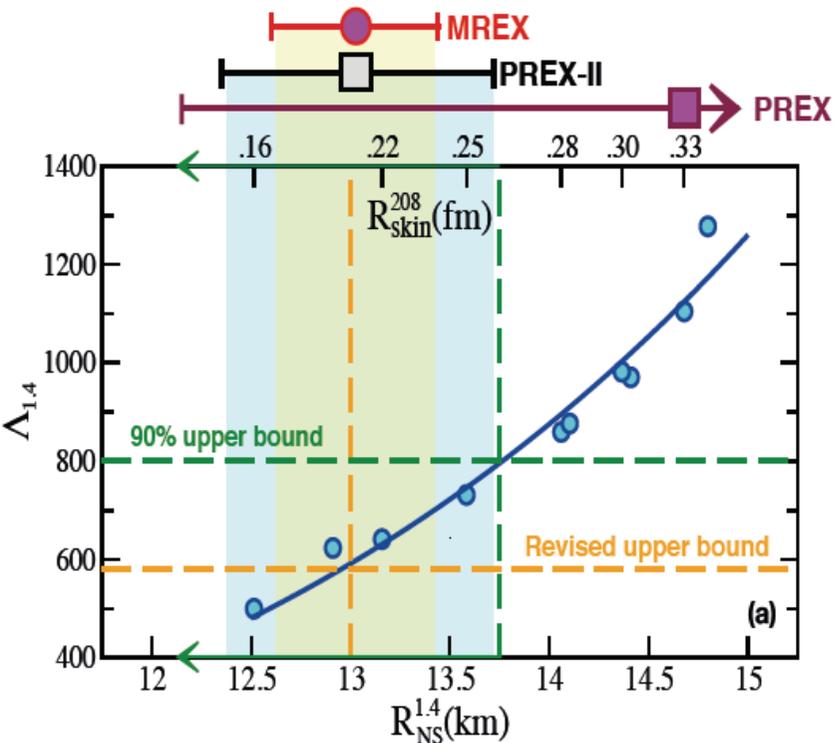
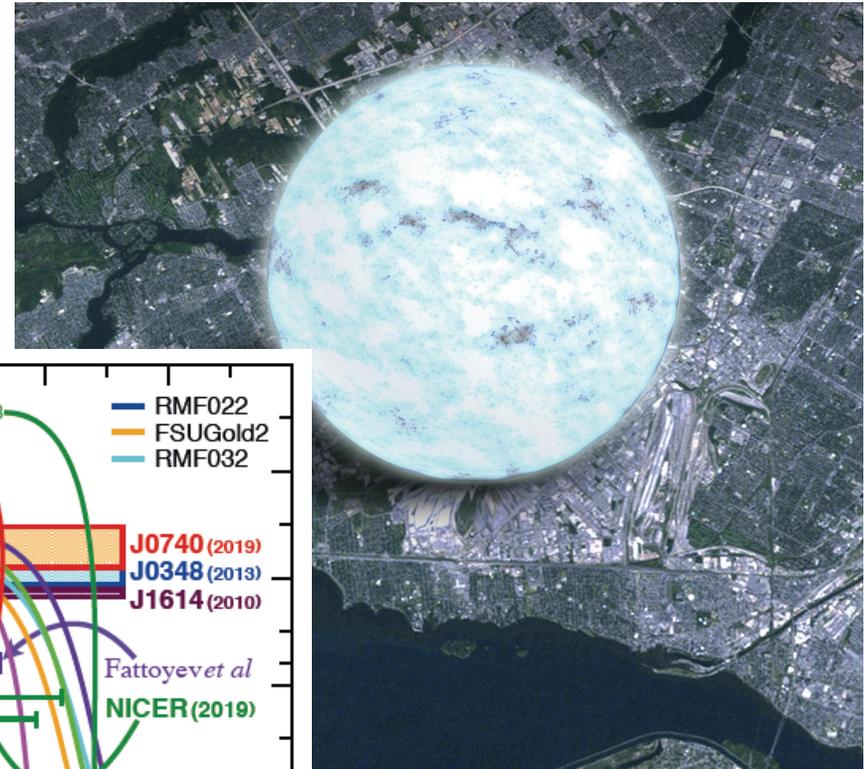
$$A_{PV} = \frac{G_F Q^2}{2\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \left(\underbrace{1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W}_{\approx 0} - \frac{F_n(Q^2)}{F_p(Q^2)} \right)$$

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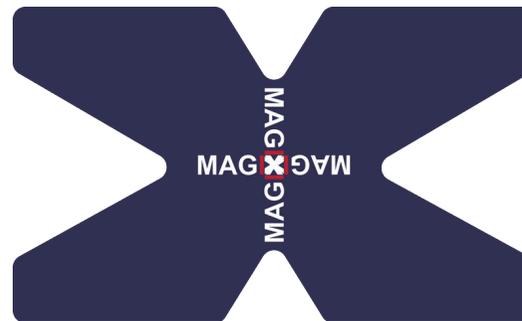
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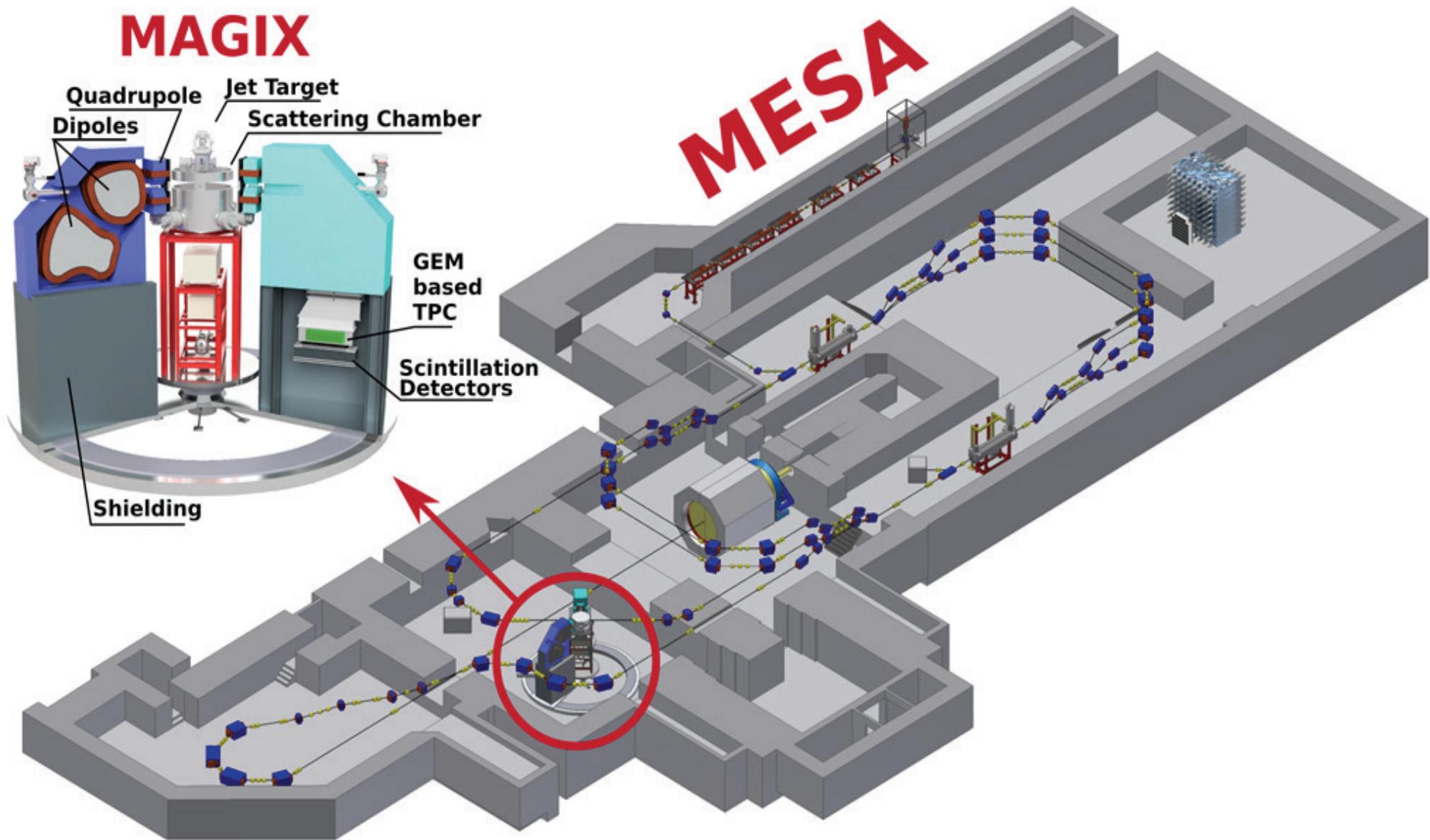
- Gives access to the equation of state of neutron matter
- Tells us how big/small neutron stars are
- Mainz Radius Experiment MREX

$$A_{\text{PV}} = \frac{G_{\text{F}} Q^2}{2\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \left[1 - 4\sin^2(\theta_{\text{w}}) - \frac{F_{\text{w}}(Q^2)}{F_{\text{ch}}(Q^2)} \right]$$



The MAGIX Spectrometers



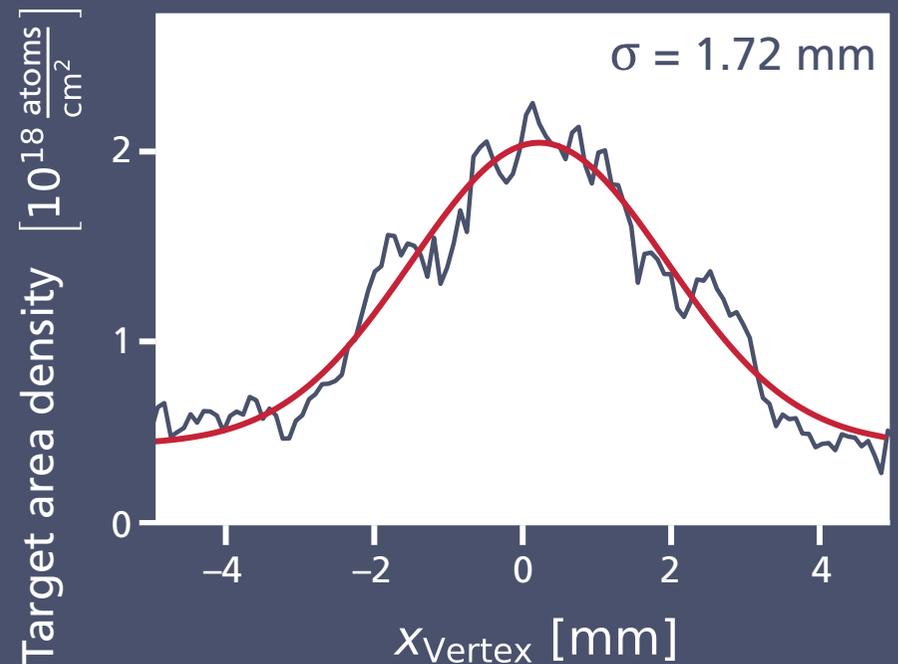
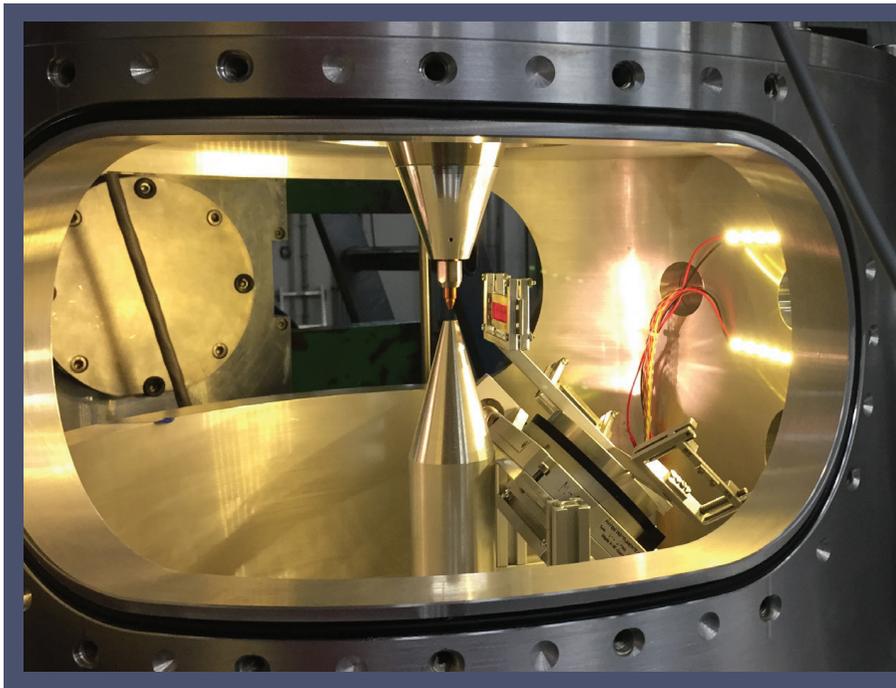


ERL mode: (un-)polarized e-beam, 30-105 MeV, 1000 μA , energy recovered in cavities

MX-EB mode: (un-)polarized e-beam, 30-105 MeV, 10 μA , small beam dump \rightarrow solid state targets

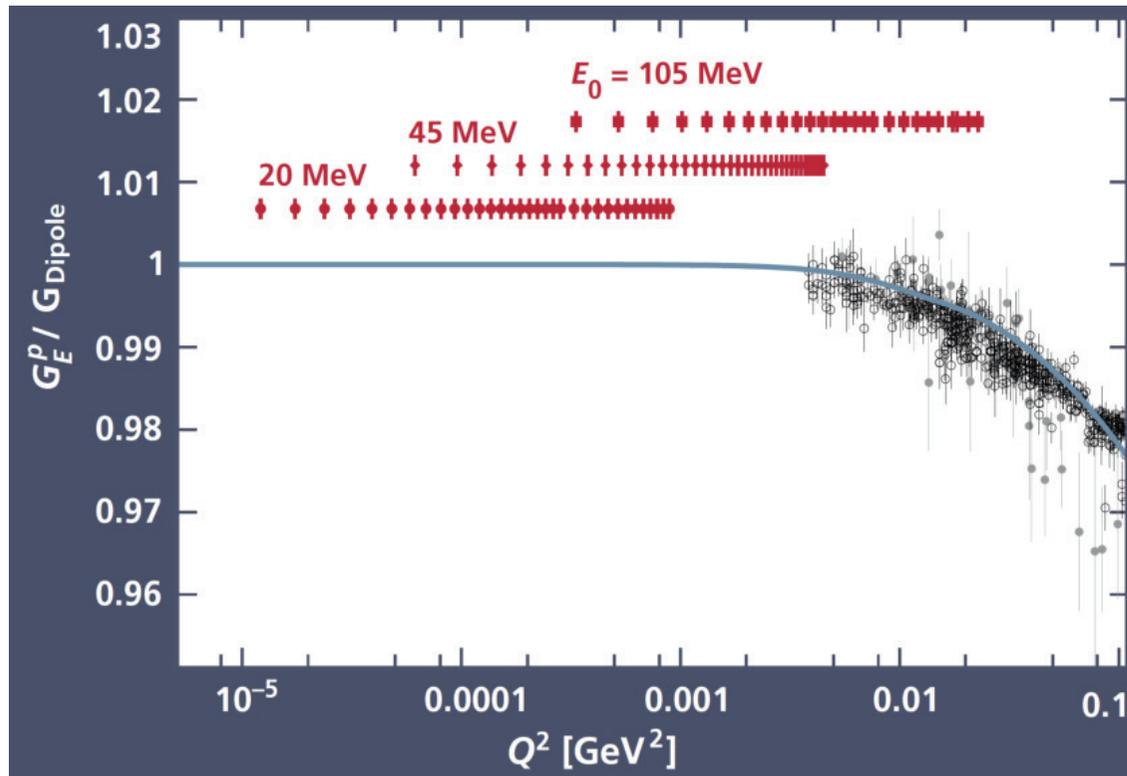
Gas Jet Target

- High resolution of spectrometers easily spoiled by scattering in the target chamber
- Worse at lower energies
- Get rid of the target chamber
- Supersonic gas stream shooting into the beam
- Catch most gas below, add differential pumping
- Group of A. Khoukaz, Uni Münster
- Tested in the A1 setup at MAMI

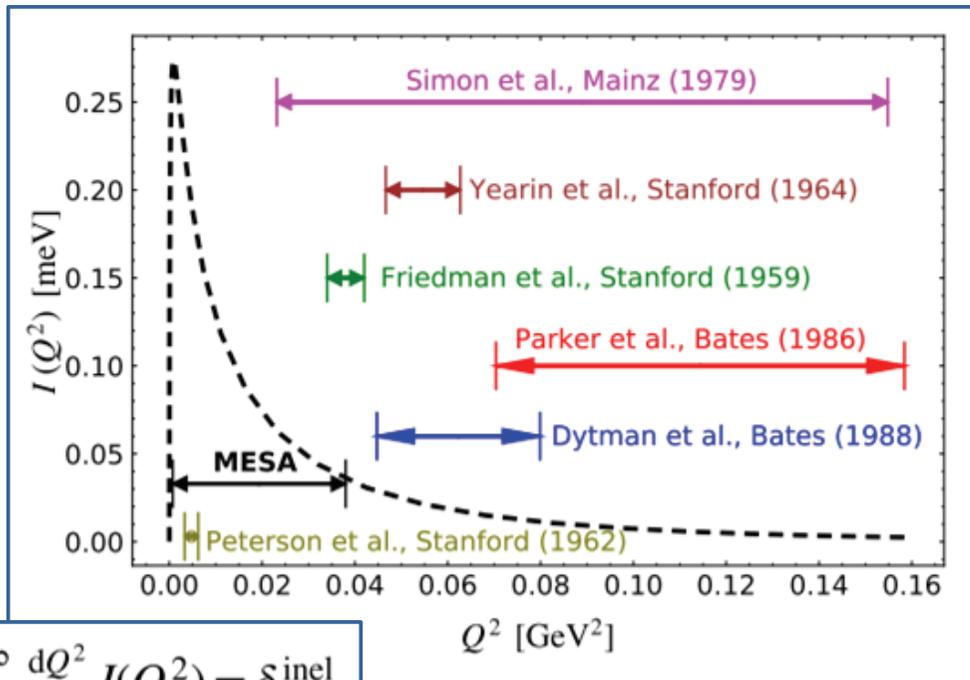


Electromagnetic form factors of the proton

- Proton radius puzzle only partially resolved
- Precision measurement over decent Q^2 range, going to small Q^2
- Forward measurement of electric form factor as an early measurement with extracted beam
- Full measurement of G_E and G_M makes use of ERL mode currents



Deuteron electrodisintegration

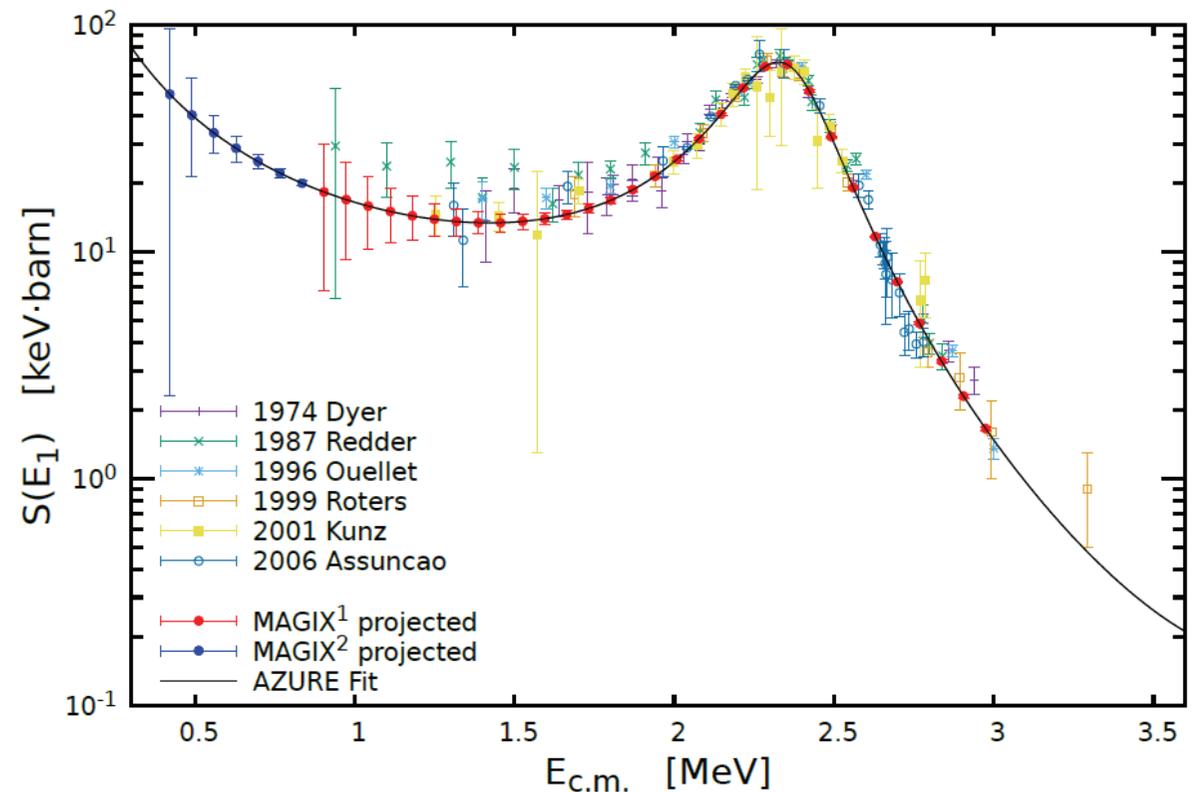


$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dQ^2}{Q^2} I(Q^2) = \delta_{\text{TPE}}^{\text{inel}}$$

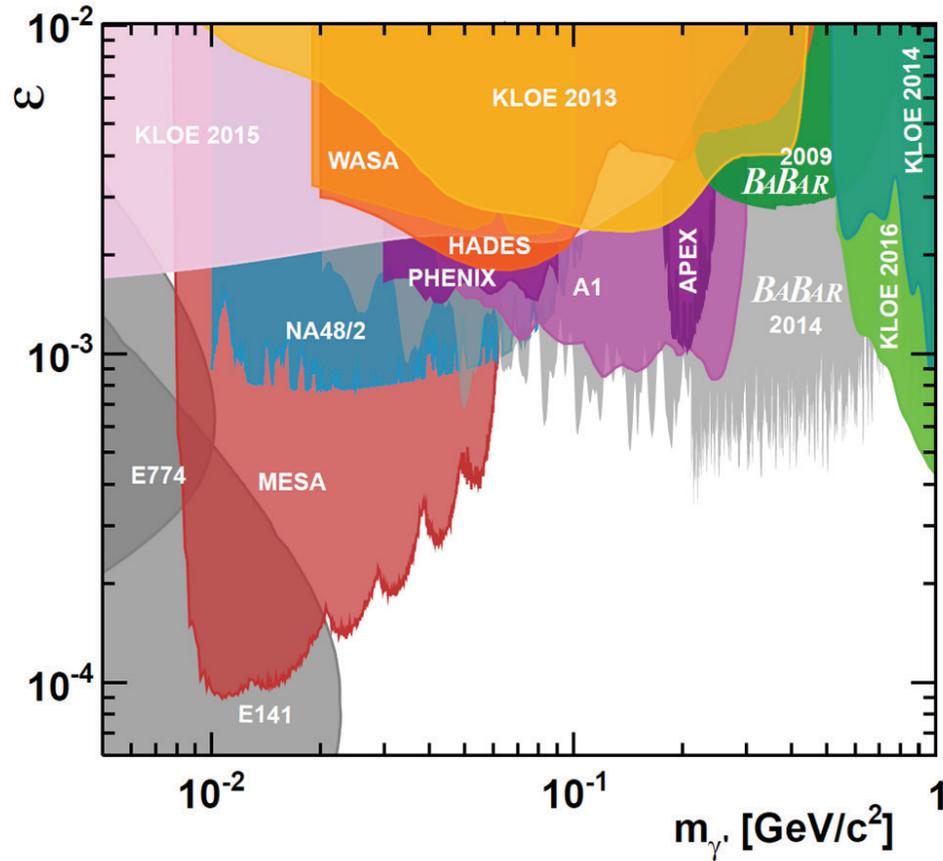
- Tests and calibrates theory needed for muonic atom calculations (two-photon exchange)
- Very relevant kinematics
- Forward measurement, as an early measurement with extracted beam

Nuclear astrophysics

- Cross-section (S-factor) of $^{12}\text{C}(\alpha,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$ very relevant for stellar burning
- Can measure the inverse reaction $^{16}\text{O}(\gamma,\alpha)^{12}\text{C}$ with MAGIX
- Spectrometer (phase I), zero-degree tagger (phase II), recoil detector
- Backgrounds need to understood
- Can be extended to further reactions:
 $^{15}\text{N}(p,\gamma)^{16}\text{O}$, $^{15}\text{N}(\alpha,\gamma)^{19}\text{F}$,
 $^{16}\text{O}(\alpha,\gamma)^{20}\text{Ne}$, $^{18}\text{O}(\alpha,\gamma)^{22}\text{Ne}$, ...

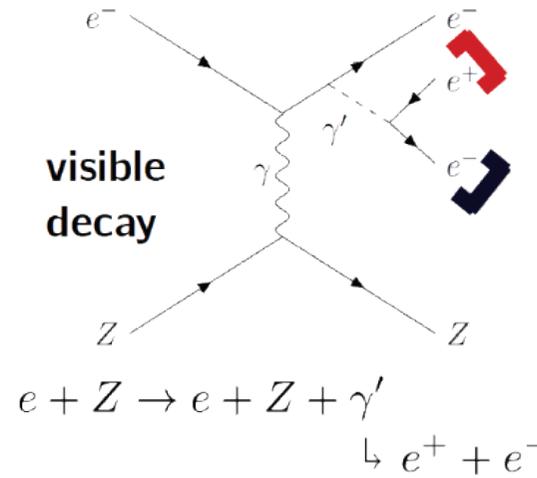


Dark Photons



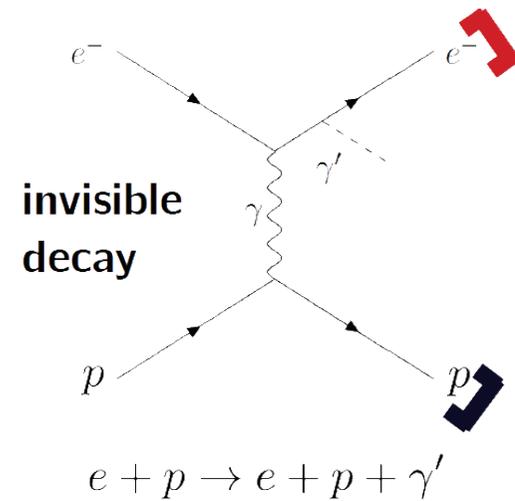
Visible decay to e^+e^-

- Xenon or Argon target, high currents



Invisible decays

- Hydrogen target
- Recoil detector
- Limit projection on the way



And more...

- Charge radius deuteron
- Charge radius ^4He
- Meson exchange currents and three-nucleon forces in ^3He / ^4He
- Continuation of MAMI-based program electrons for neutrino physics
- Nucleus knockout reactions from light-medium nuclei
- Investigation of polarization degrees of freedom
- ...

Dark matter in the beam dump

DarkMESA

DarkMESA

- P2: Several 10^{22} electrons on target
- Dark matter χ , mediator γ'

$$Y_{Prod} \sim \epsilon^2 / m_A^2$$

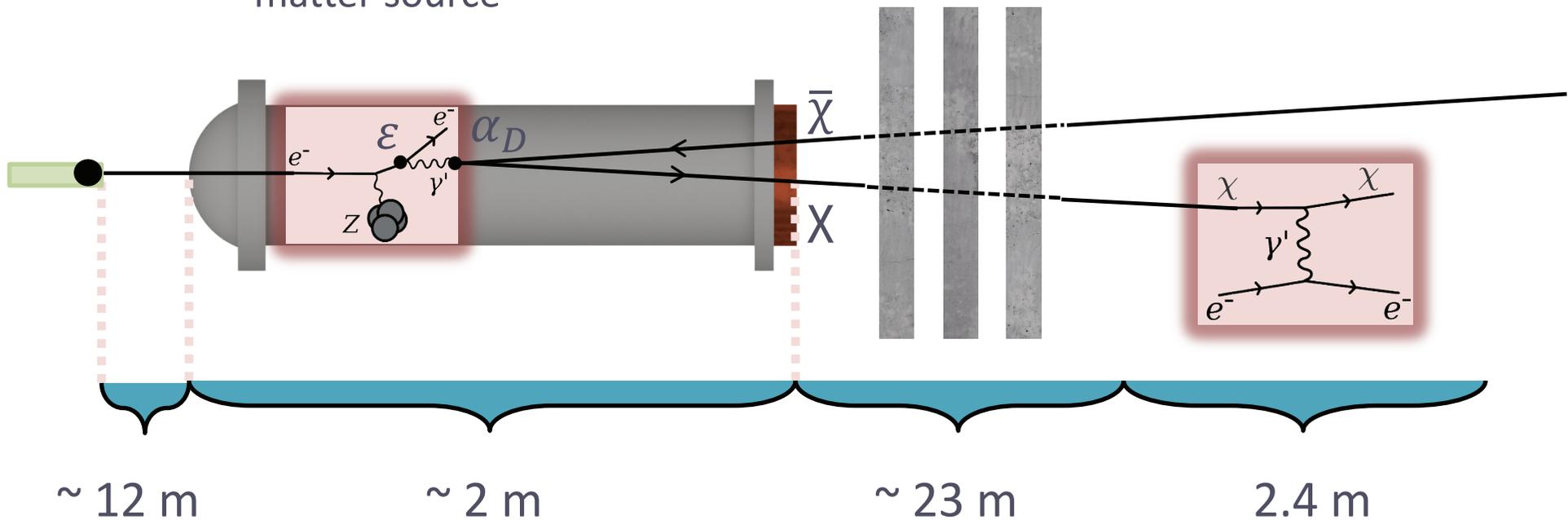
$$Y_{Det} \sim \epsilon^2 \alpha_D / m_A^2$$

P2 target

Beam dump = high energy and high intensity dark matter source

Concrete walls and air

Detector

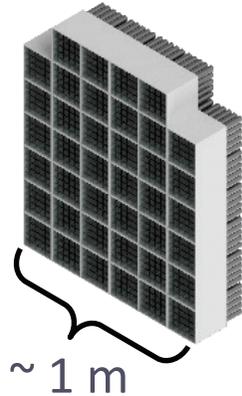


$$Y_{TOT} \sim \epsilon^4 \alpha_D / m_A^4$$

Calorimeter detector

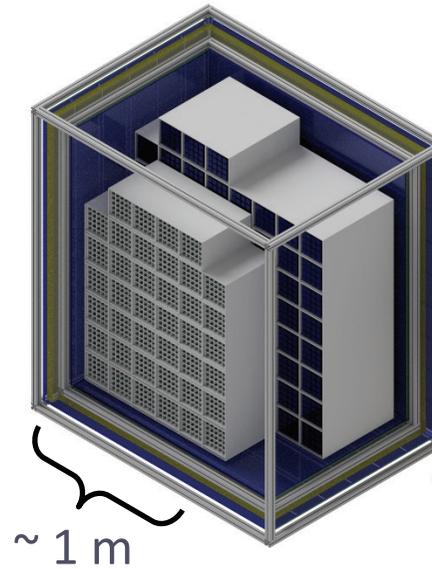
Stage A:

PbF₂



Stage B:

+ Pb glass



- Use of existing PbF₂ calorimeter
- Active volume of 0.13 m³

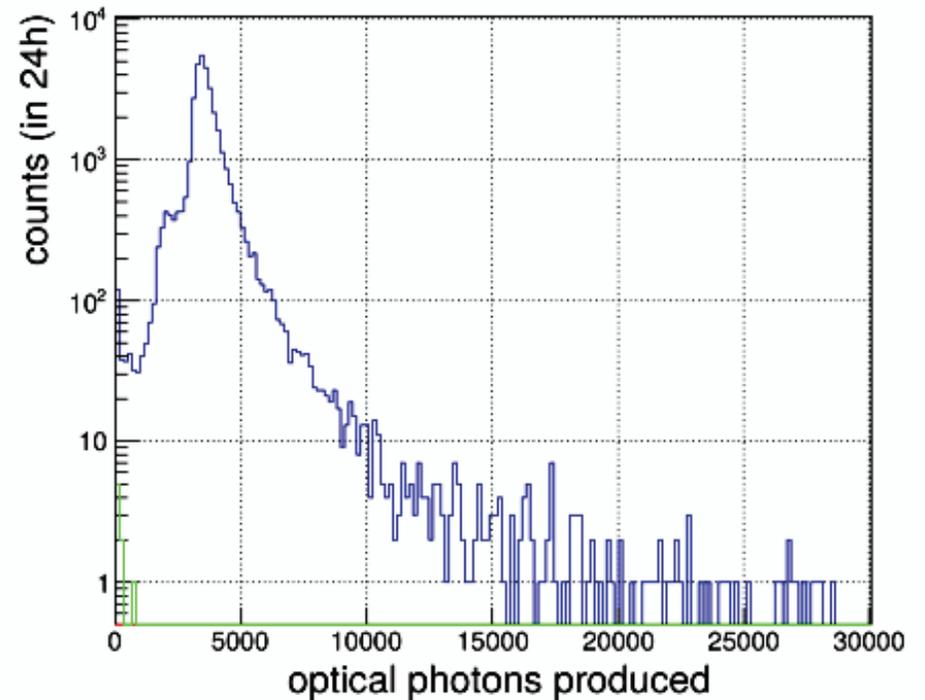
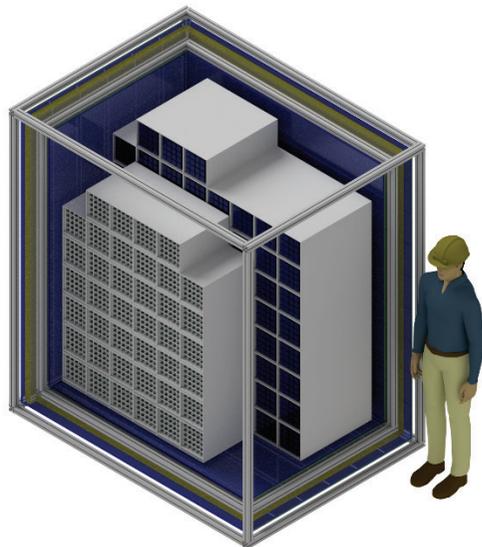
- Use of existing lead glass calorimeter
- Addition of new lead glass blocks
- Active volume of 0.6 – 1 m³

Stage C:

- Technology so far undefined
- Up to 11 m³ volume possible

Background estimates

- Use of beam on/off information: EB time scheduling approx. 50 %
- Segmenting of detector read-out: coincidences eliminating noise
- Use of several veto layers



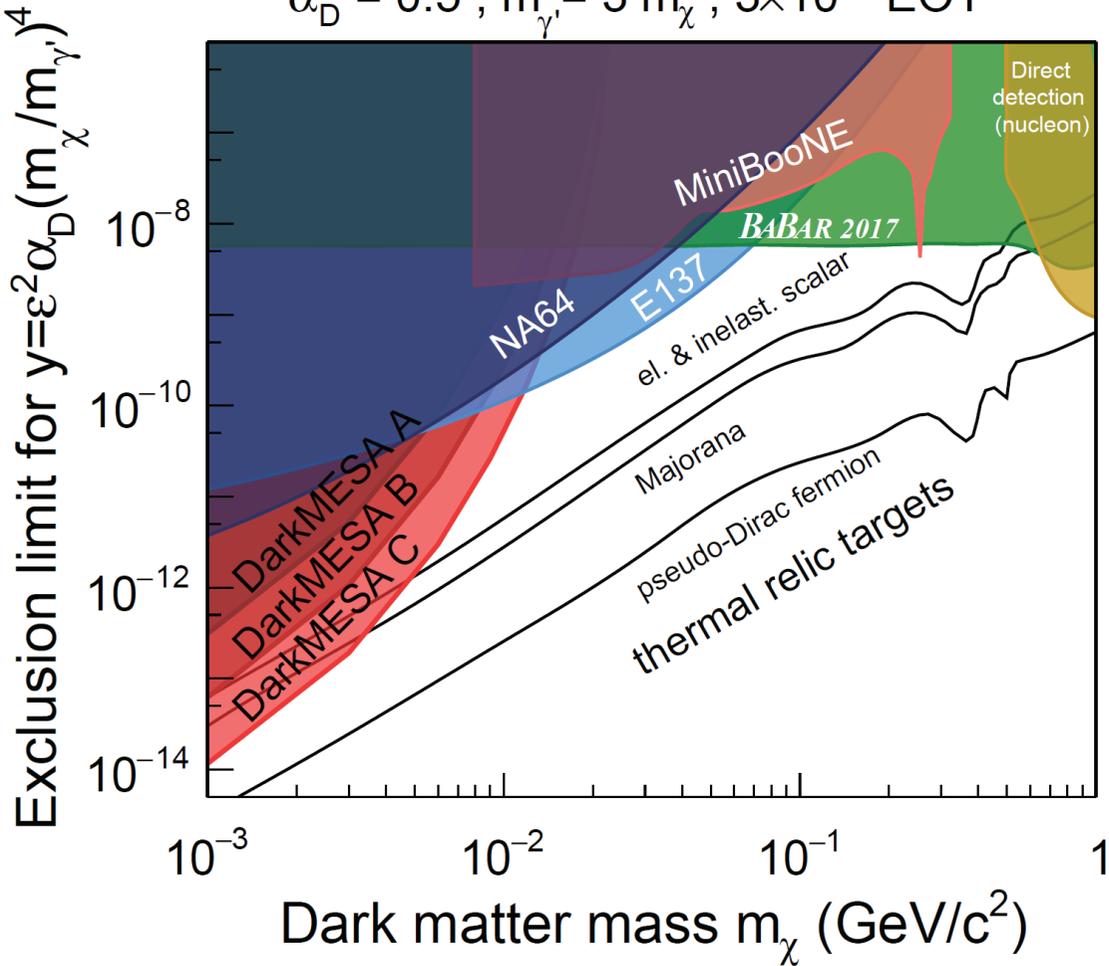
Blue: Light yield in calorimeter

Red/Green: with 1 or 2 veto hits

Veto concept reduces 24h background rate to zero events

Sensitivity

$\alpha_D = 0.5 ; m_{\gamma'} = 3 m_\chi ; 3 \times 10^{22}$ EOT



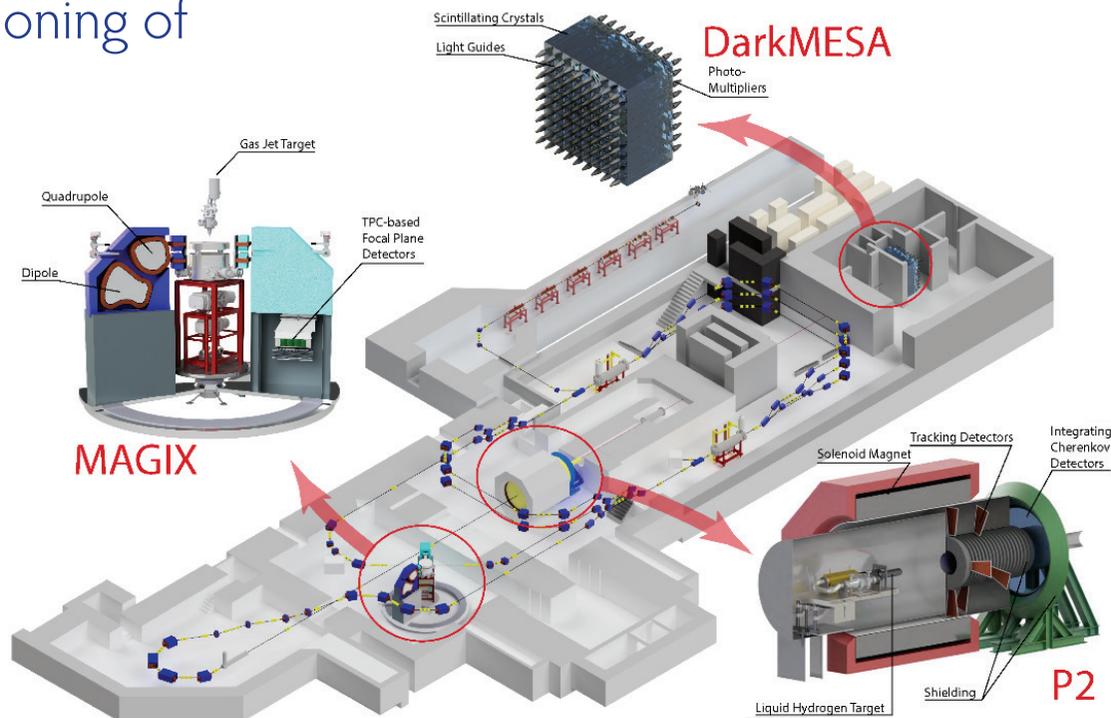
- Stage A: existing PbF2 crystals (0.13 m³ volume)
- Stage B: lead glass calorimeter (1 m³ volume)
- Stage C: Extrapolation (11 m³ volume)

Simulation assumptions:

- Electron recoil detection
- 14 MeV energy threshold
- 90% detector efficiency
- No backgrounds
- DarkMESA has the potential to touch the thermal relic targets!

Outlook

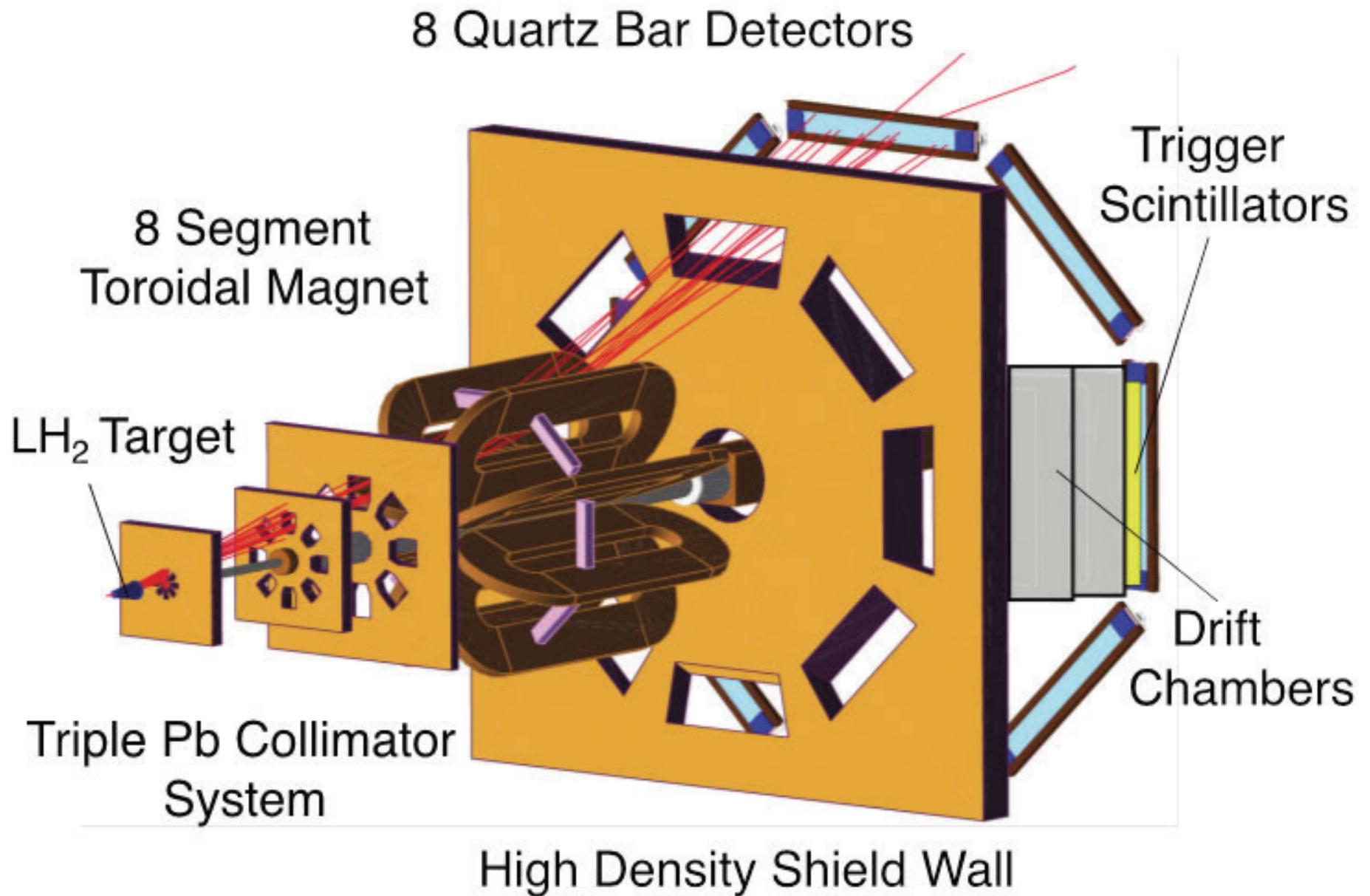
- Civil construction to finish this year
- 2022: Setting up the accelerator and experiments (components mostly ready and tested in existing buildings)
- 2023: Accelerator and experiment commissioning, extracted beam
- 2024: Extracted beam data taking, commissioning of energy recovery mode
- First measurements becoming available

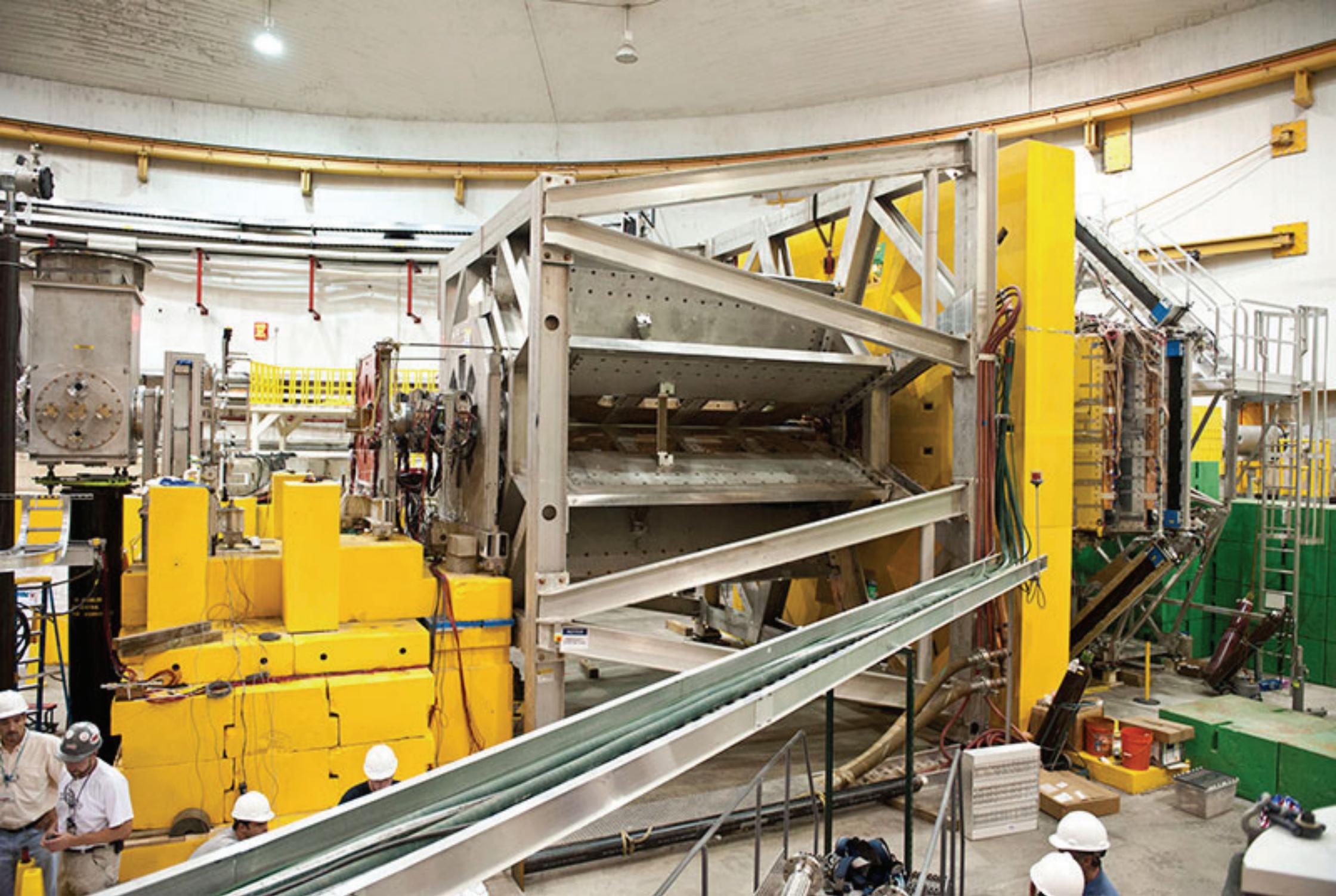


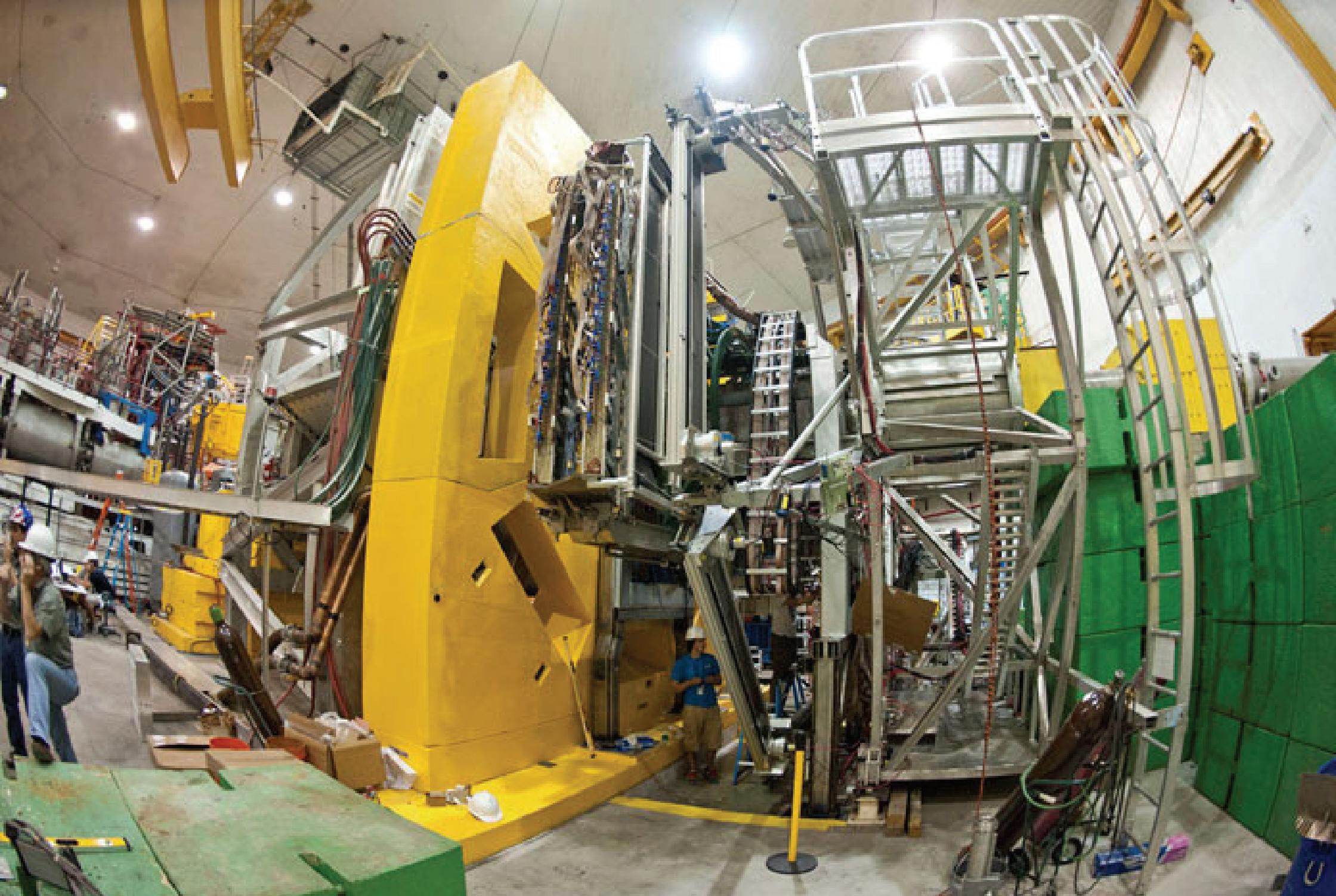
Backup

Other parity violation experiments

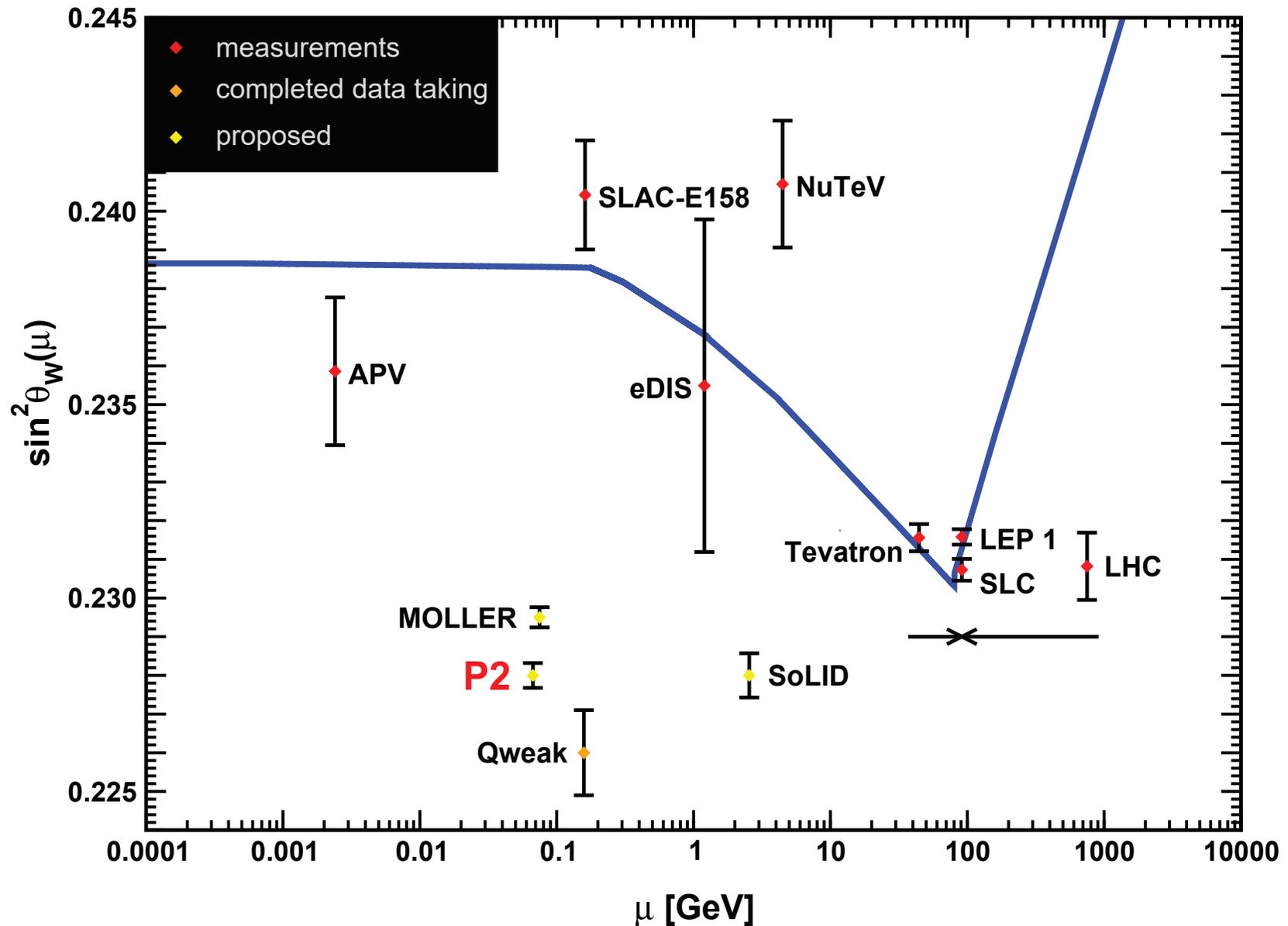
QWeak (JLab)



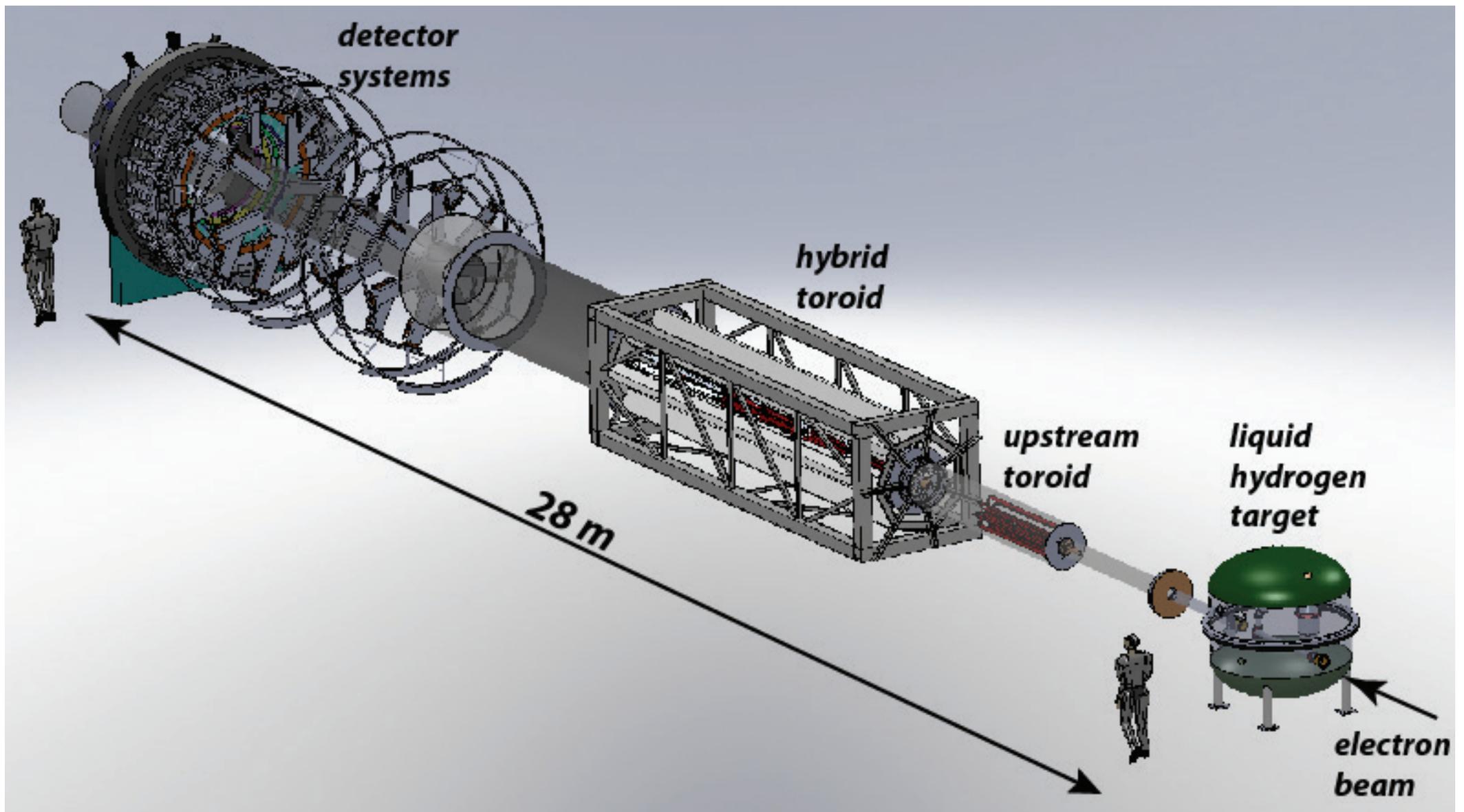




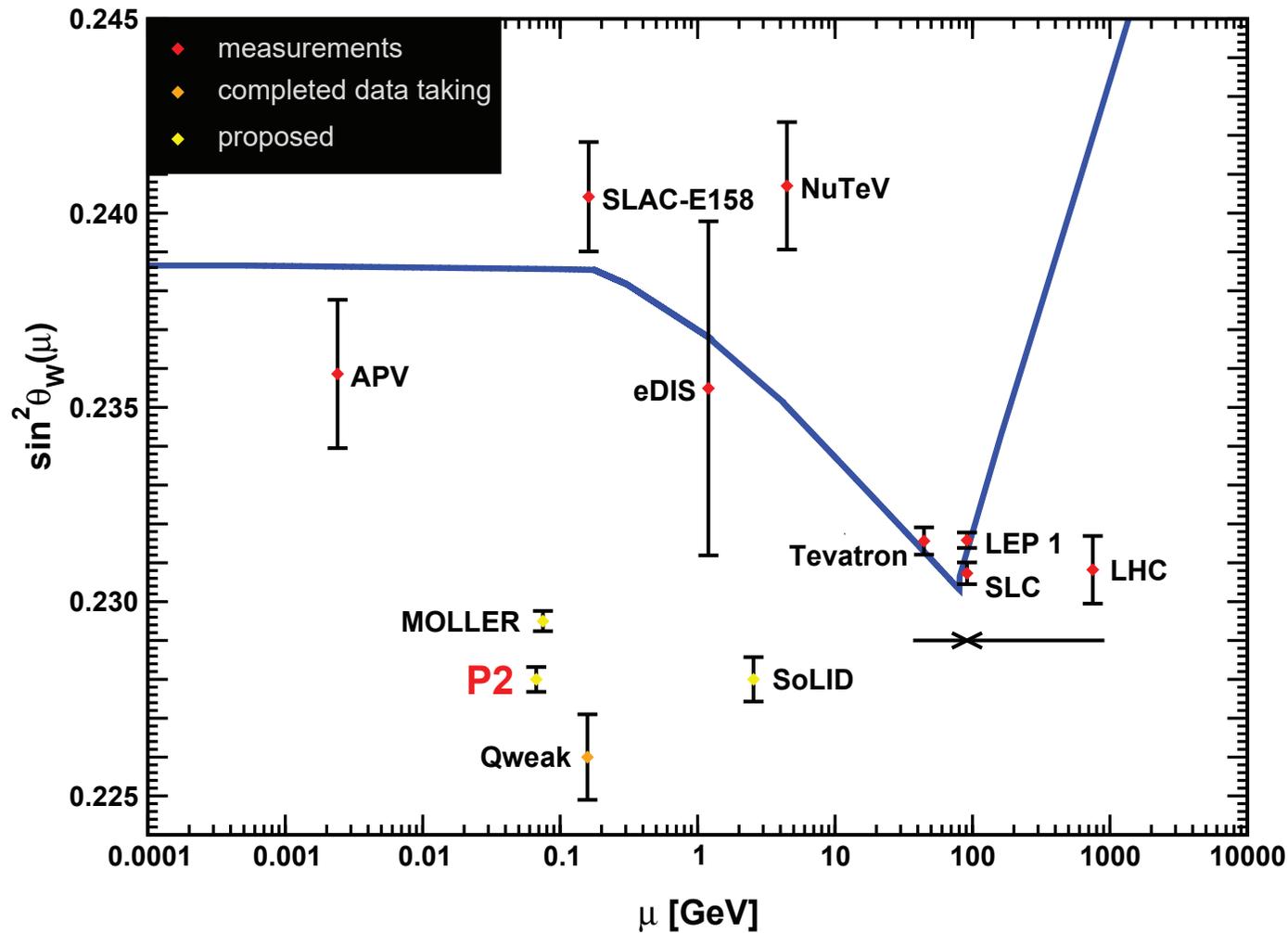
QWeak results (not)



Moller: e^-e^- scattering at JLab

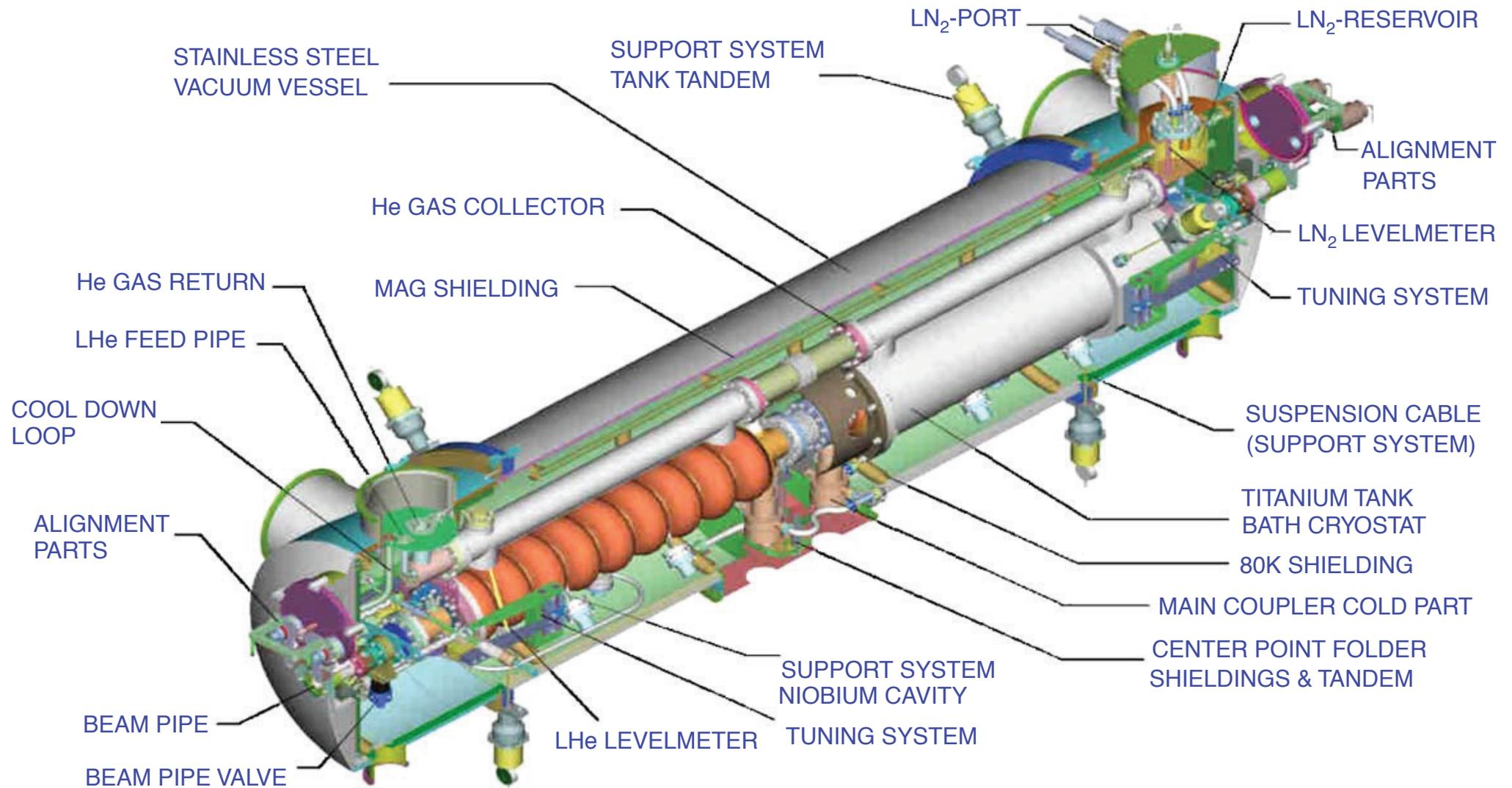


More to come...

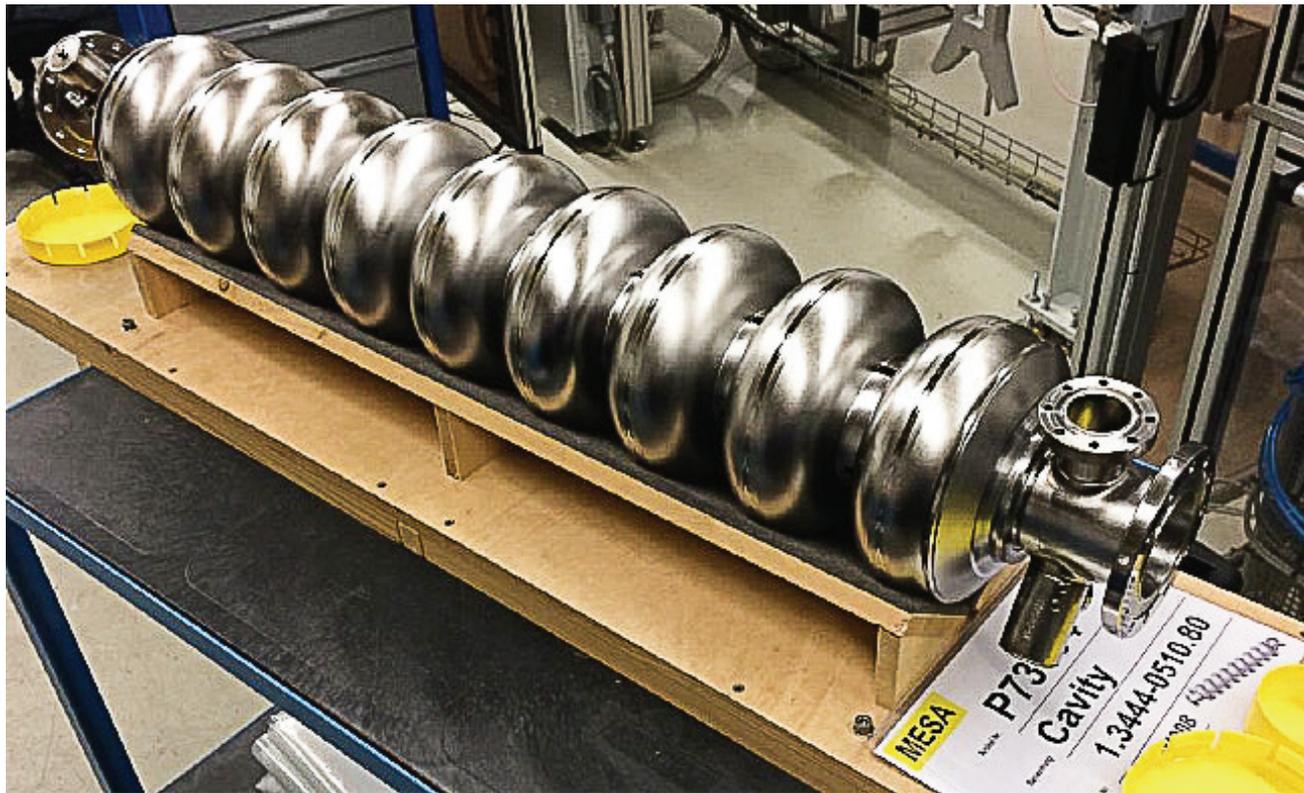


- Atomic parity violation in a single radium ion (Groningen)
- SoLID: Deep inelastic e-p scattering at JLab
- Much improved LHC measurements at the Z-pole

Superconducting Cryomodules



Teichert et al. NIM A 557 (2006) 239



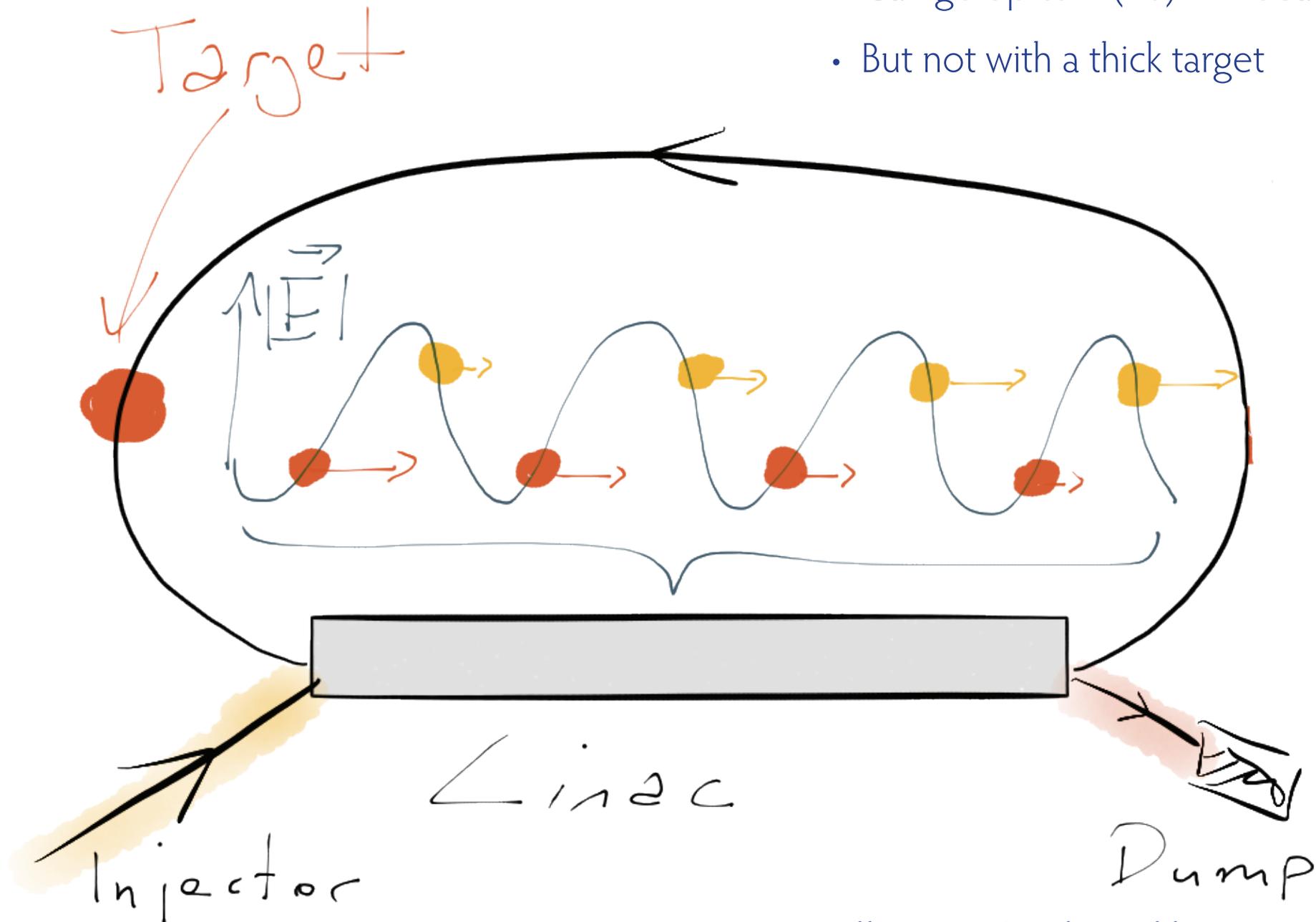
Energy recovery

Can we go to higher beam currents?

- In principle yes...
- But power is expensive
- Why dump electrons?

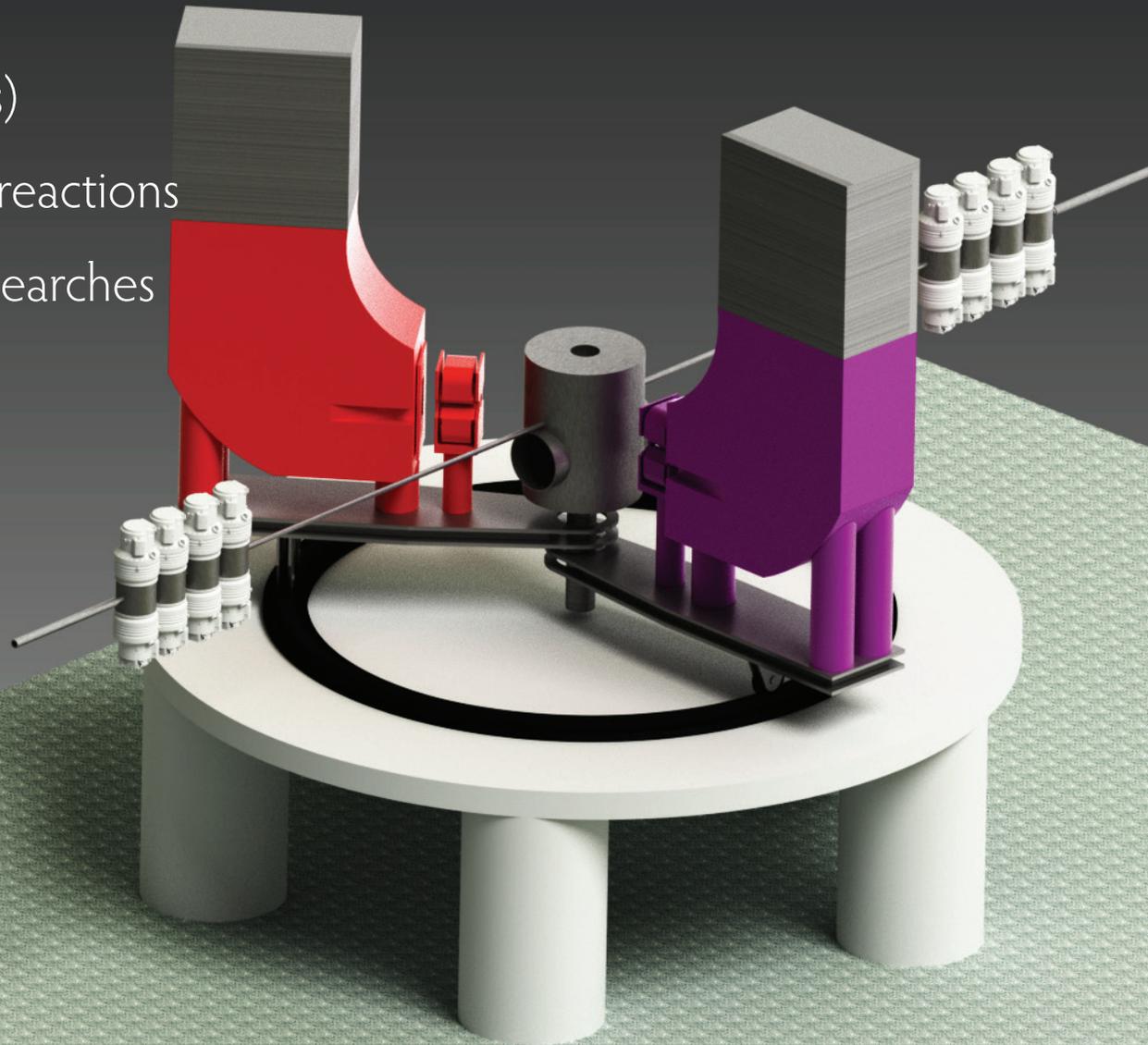
Energy recovery

- Put energy back into field!
- Can go up to 1 (10) mA beam current
- But not with a thick target

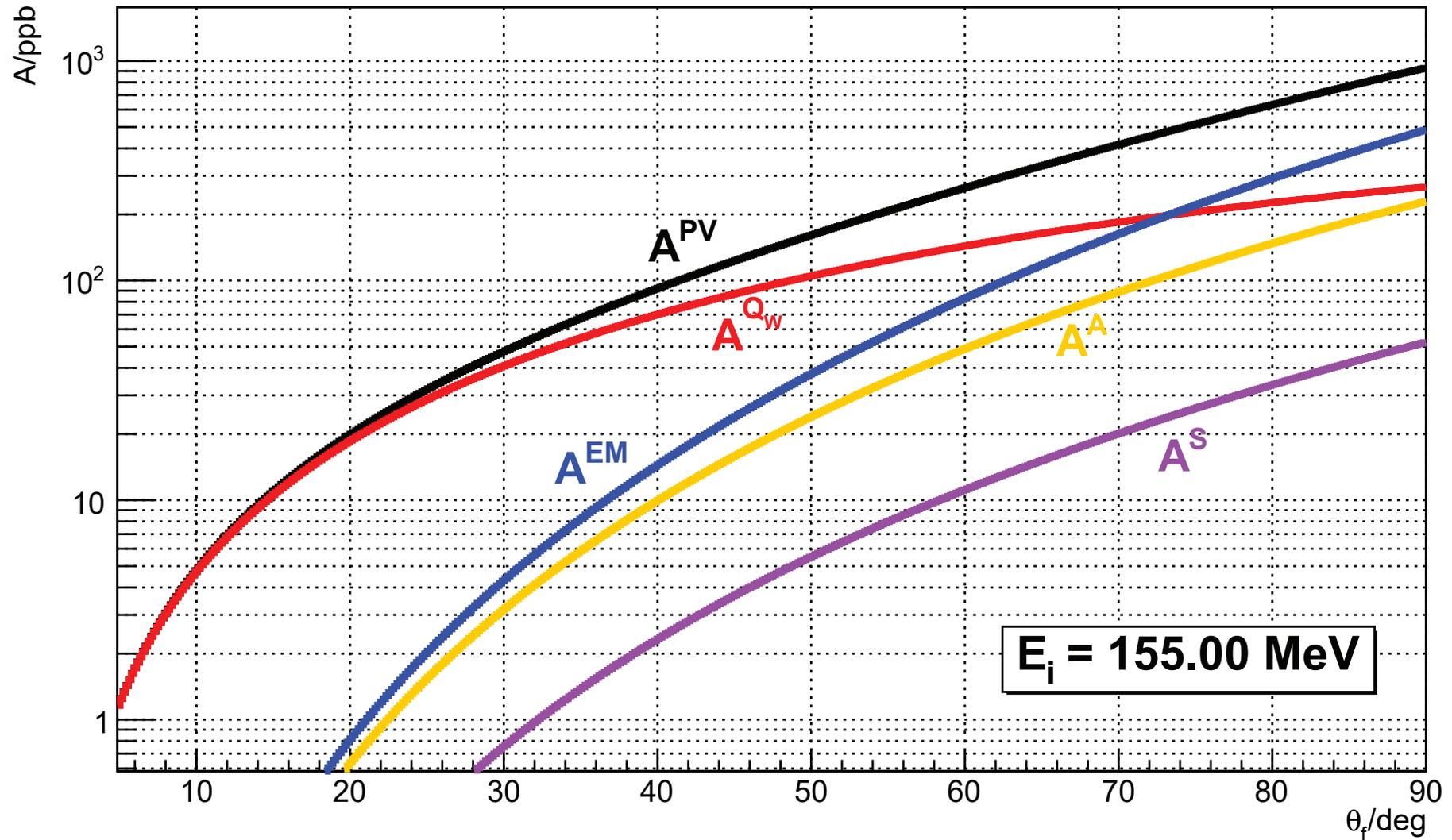


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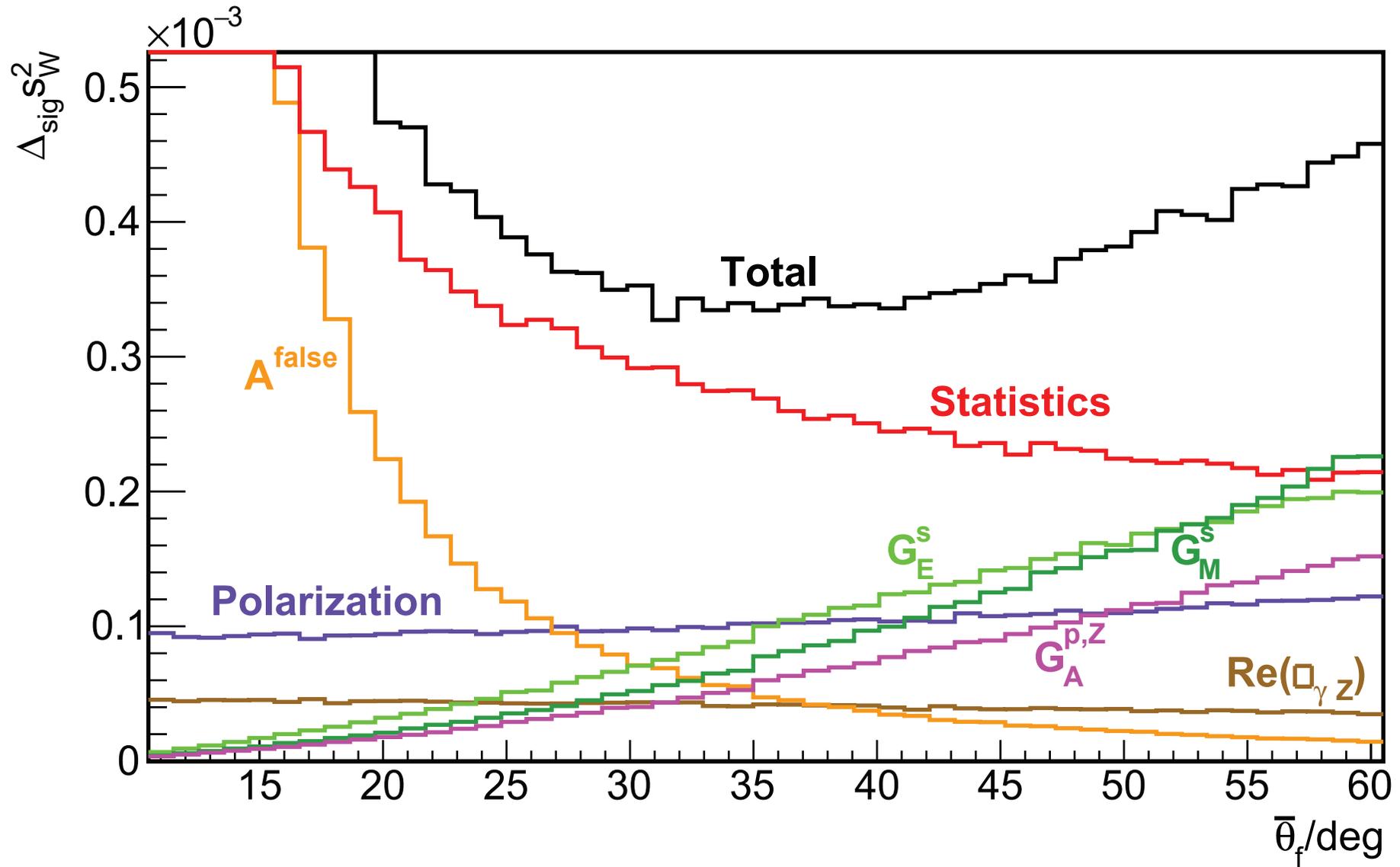
- Form factors
(proton radius)
- Astrophysical reactions
- Dark photon searches
- ...



Choice of scattering angle

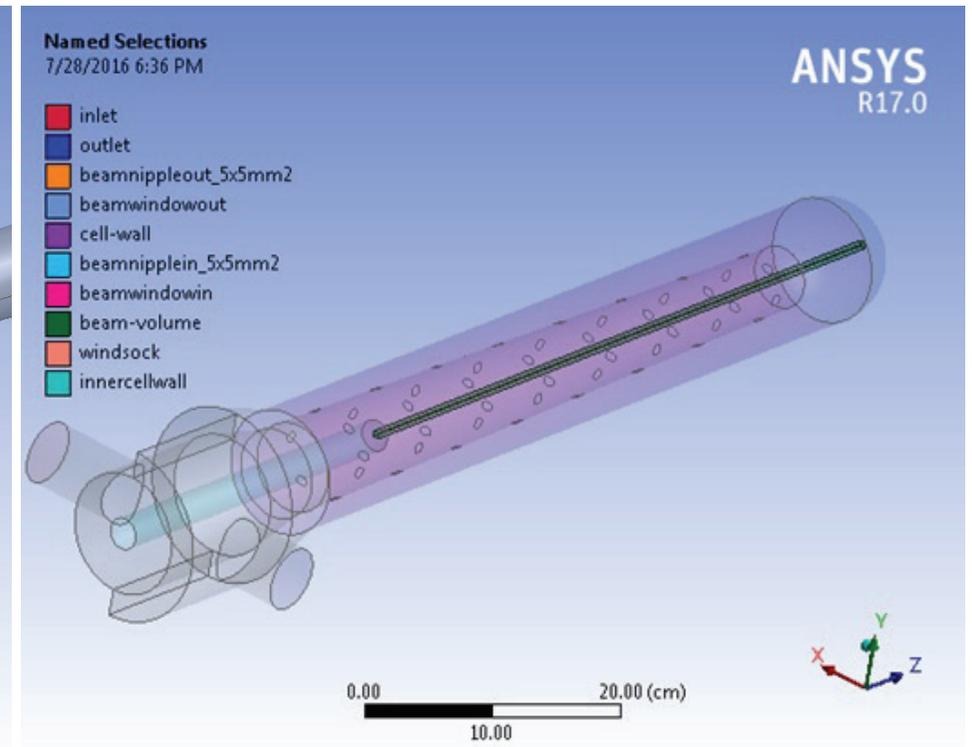
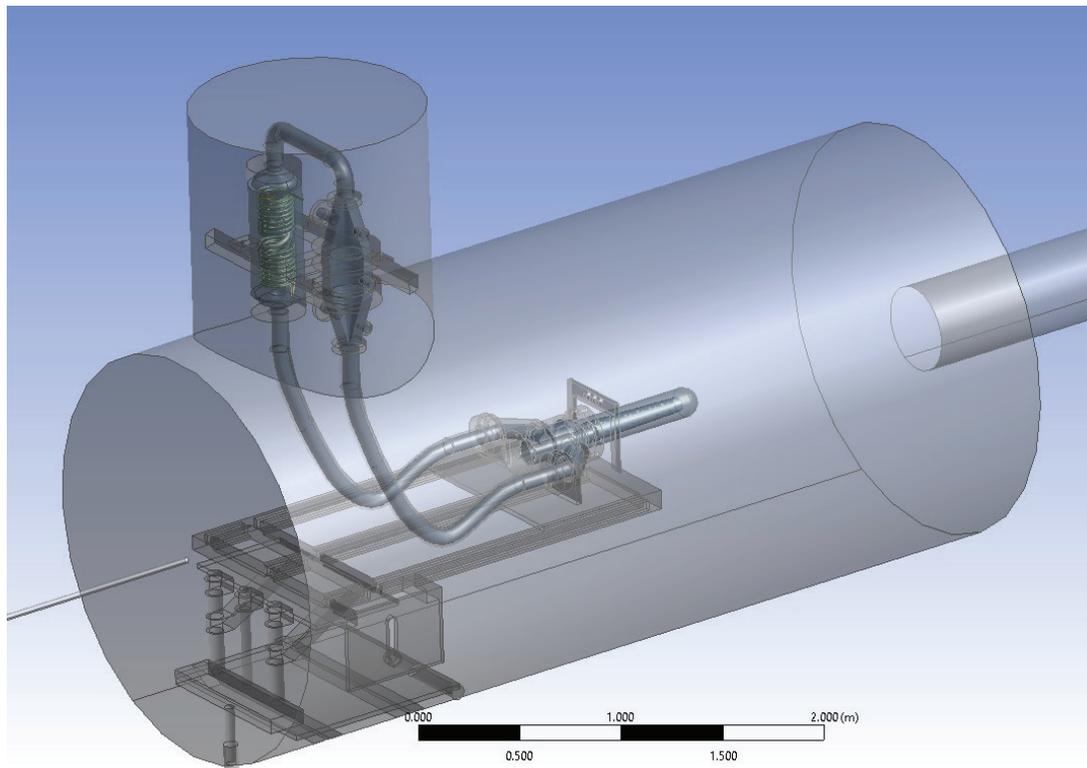


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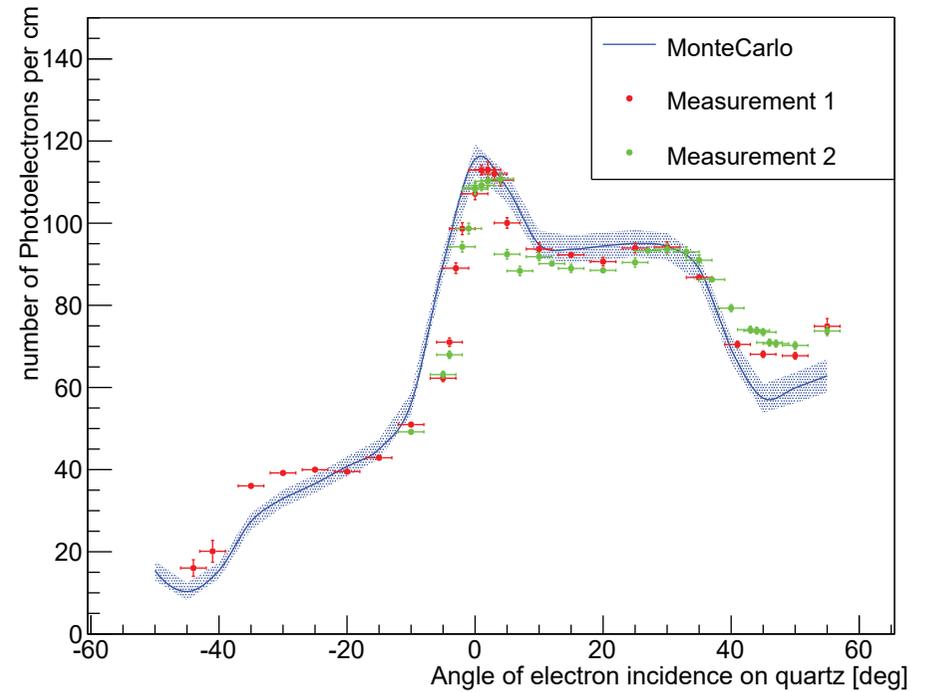
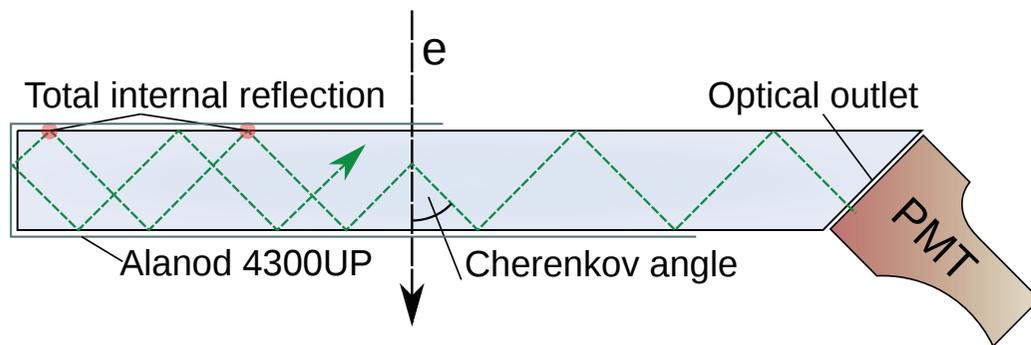
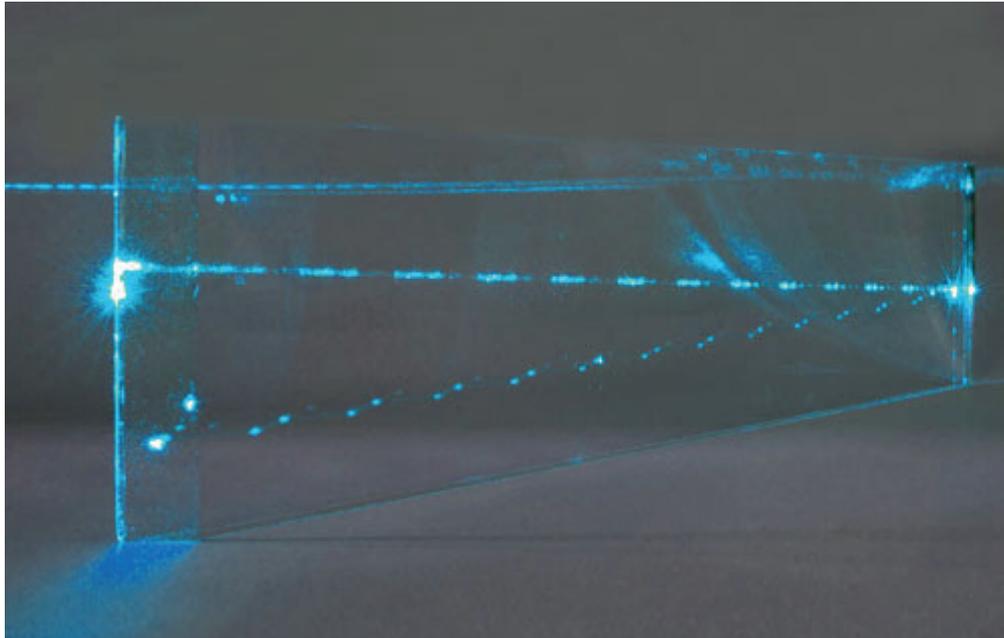


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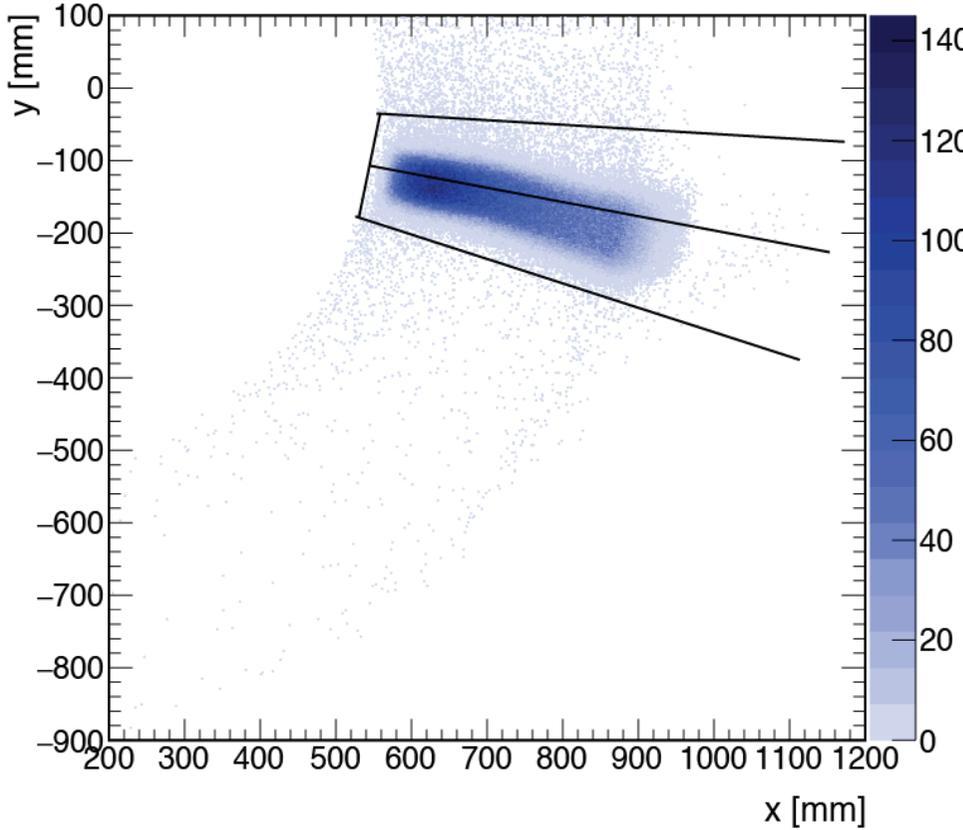
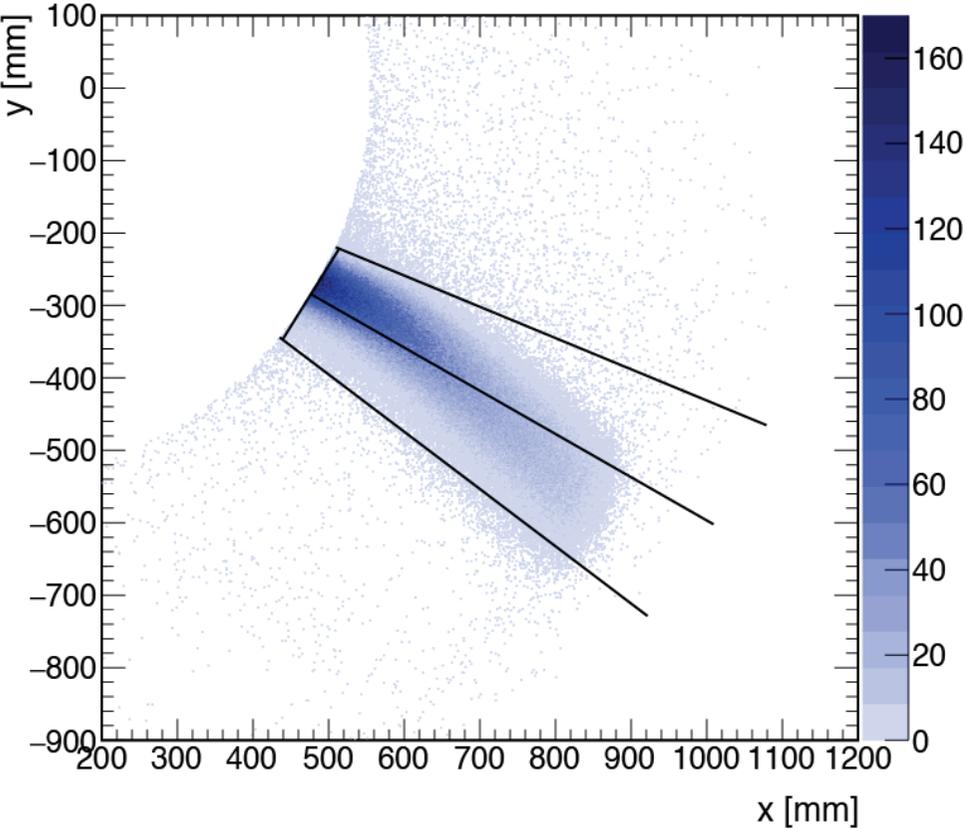
- 60 cm of liquid hydrogen
- 3.1 KW beam power deposited
- Should not boil...
- Challenging design using CFD tools (Silviu Covrig, JLab)



Quartz-Bars & Photomultipliers

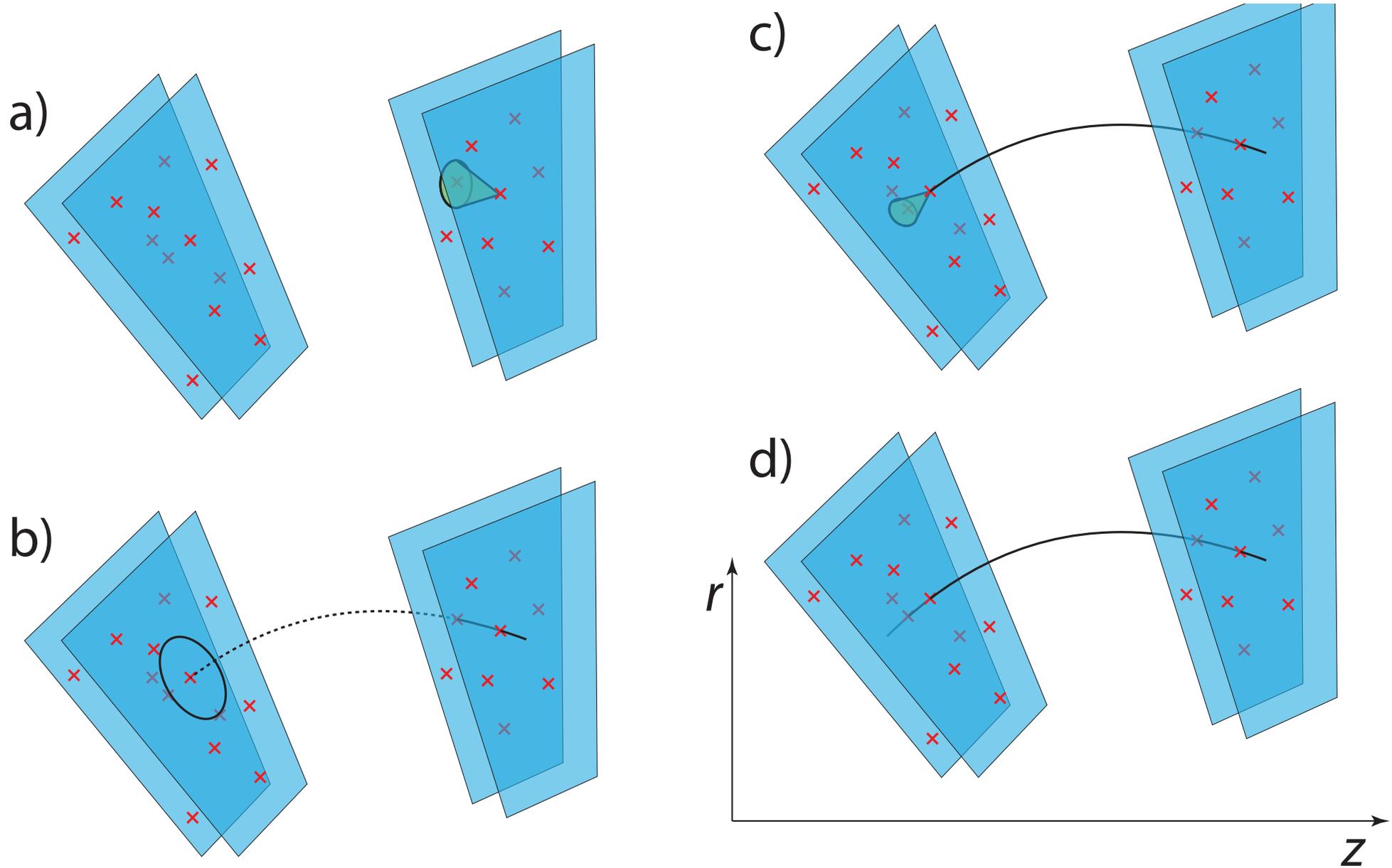


No need for full coverage

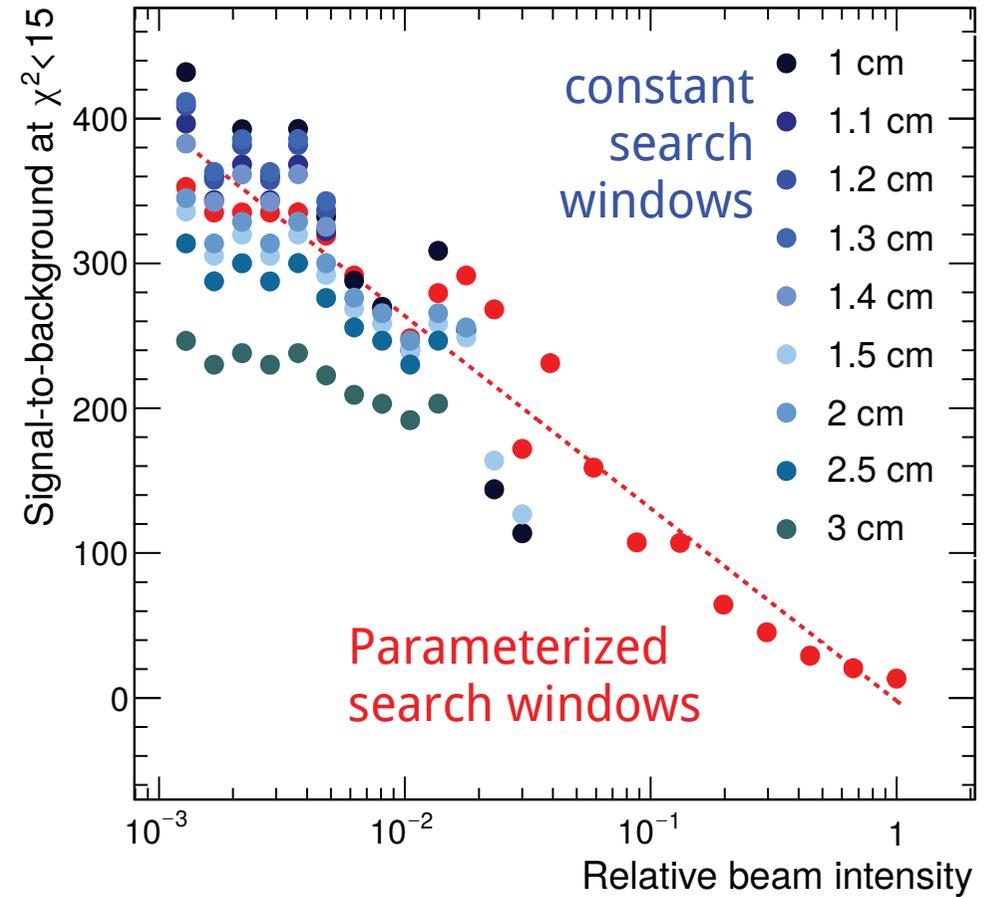
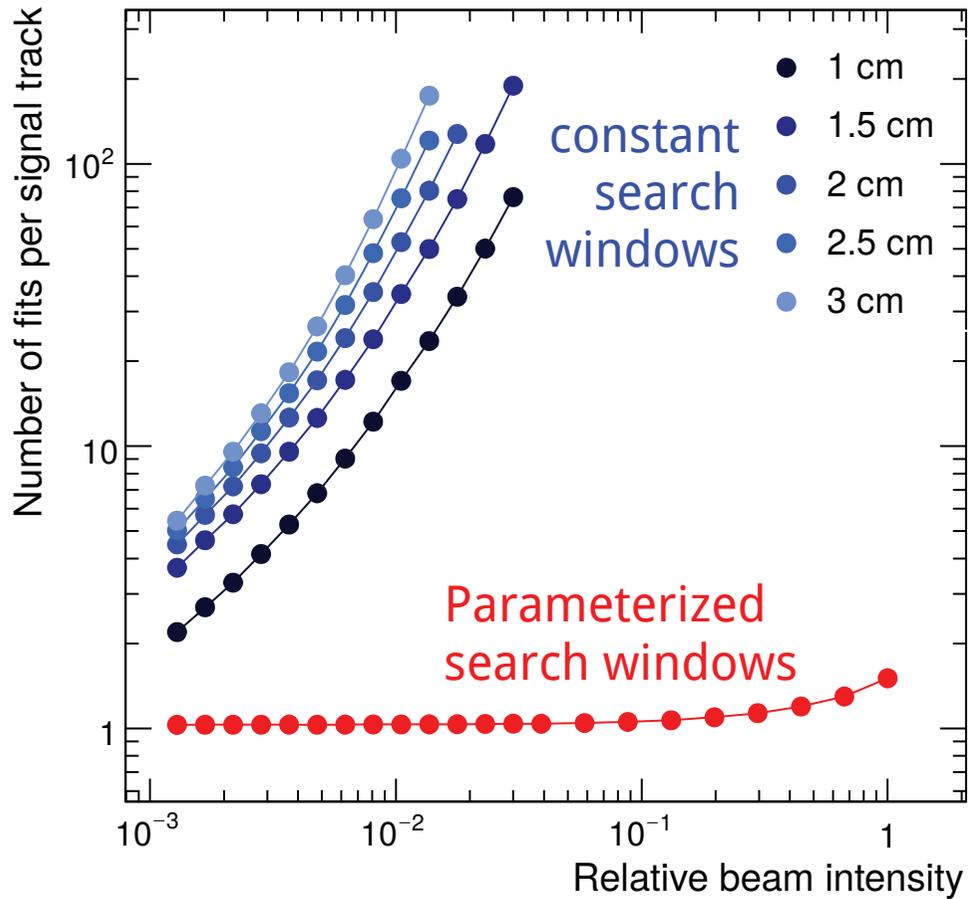


Parametrization based tracking

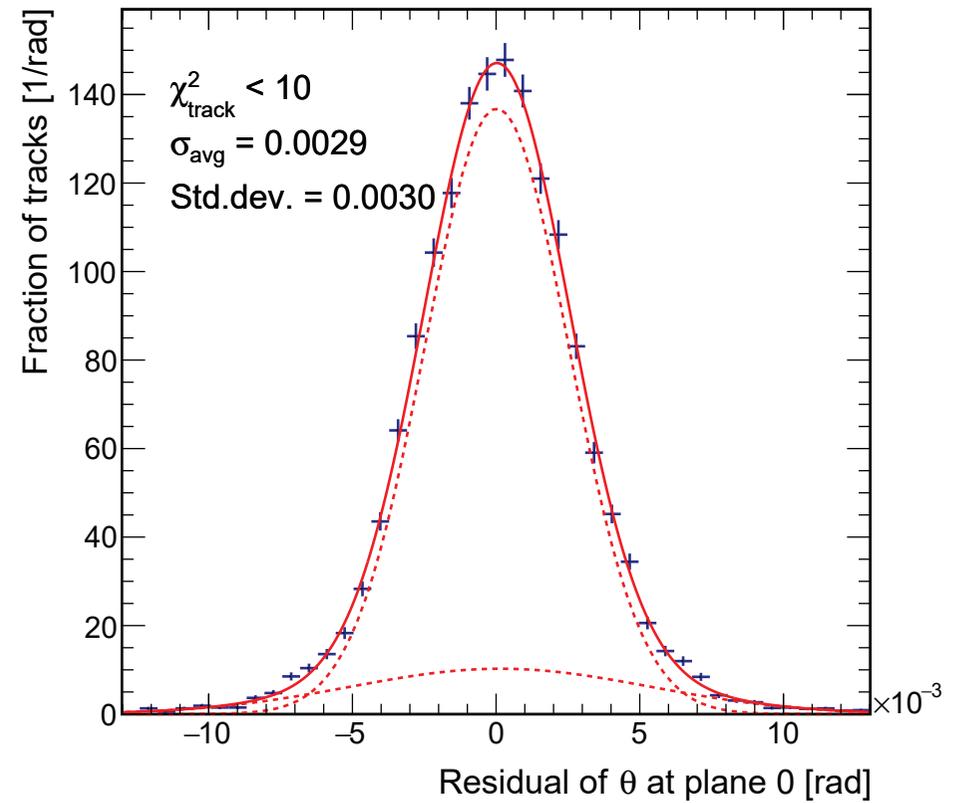
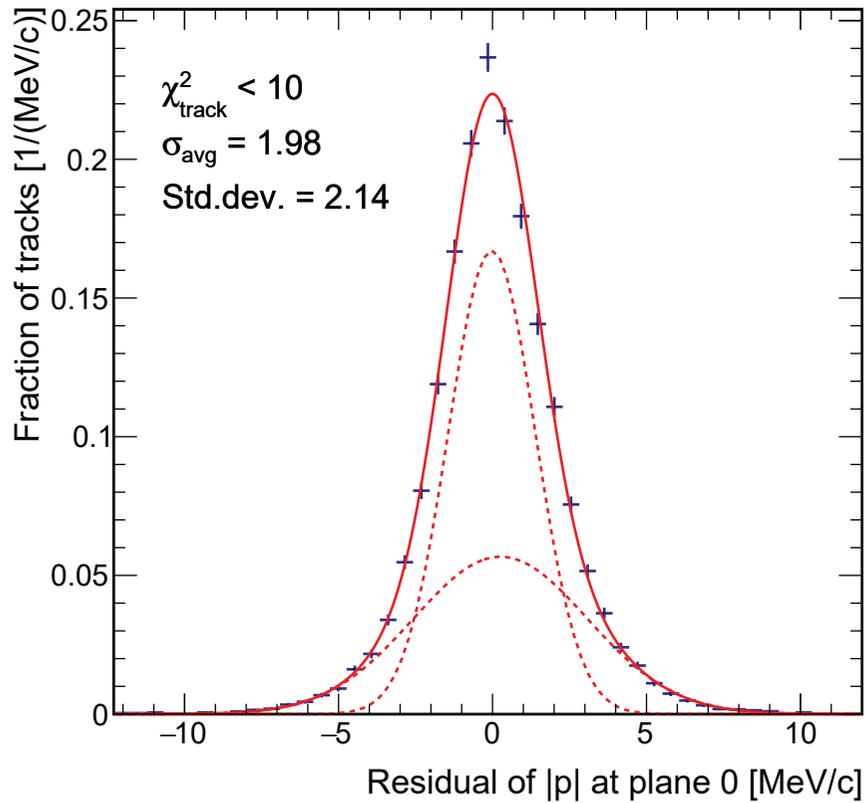
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Tracking performance

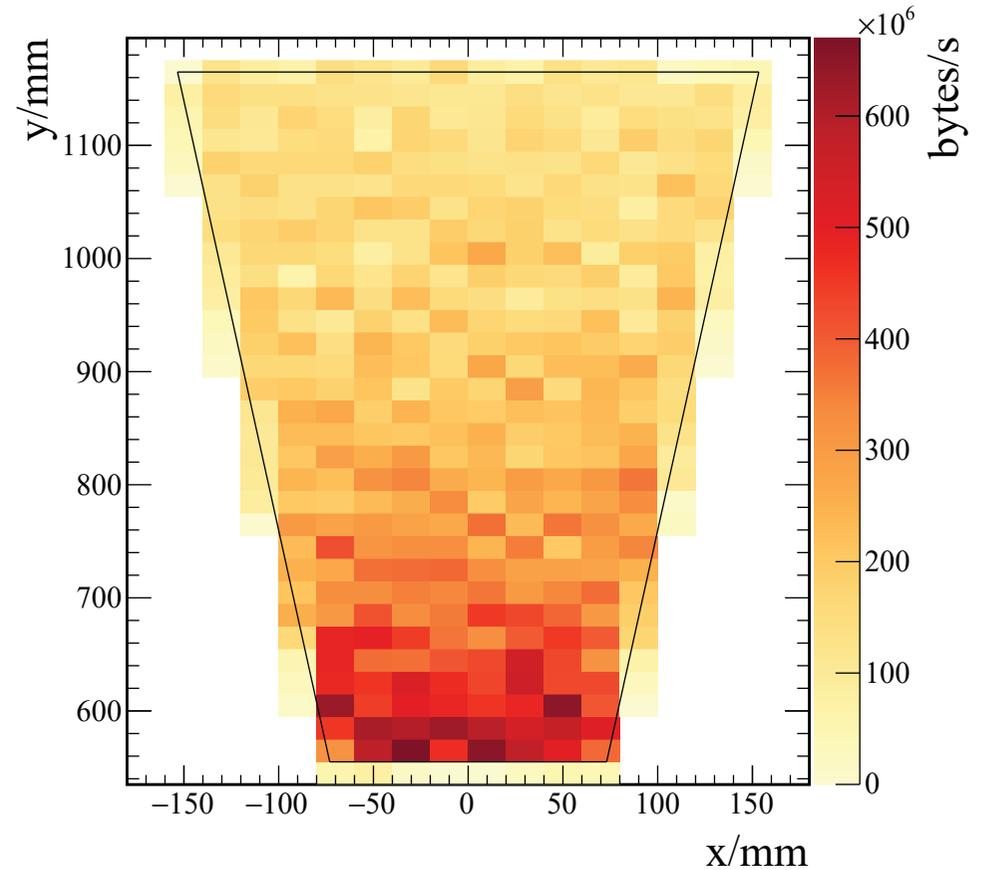


Tracking performance



High rates

- We would like the tracker at or close to the nominal rate to study systematics
- We will probably remove the tracker for most of the 11'000 hours of running
- Need to deal with the very high instantaneous rate, but: all electrons are equal
- Gated operation to get a manageable DAQ system



Helium Gas Cooling

- Planning for a helium based gas cooling similar to Mu3e
- Works well in CFD simulation and in thermo-mechanical prototype
- However: Off-detector infrastructure daunting, even with the large helium plant in Mainz - other ideas are very welcome...

