

# Few-body electro-production experiments at MAMI

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- The Mainz Microtron and the Three Spectrometer Facility
- Collaborative Research Centre 443 (1999-2010)
  - Form factor  $G_{En} - {}^2\text{H}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{n})$  and  ${}^3\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'n)$
  - Nuclear structure –  ${}^3\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'p)$
  - Triple measurement –  ${}^3\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{p})d$
  - Correlations –  ${}^3\text{He}(e, e'pn)$
- The proton radius puzzle
- Collaborative Research Centre 1044 (2012–)
  - Form factors of D,  ${}^3,4\text{He}$ ,  ${}^{6,7}\text{Li}$
  - Inclusive measurements –  ${}^{3,4}\text{He}(e, e')$
  - Neutron form factors –  ${}^2\text{H}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{n})$
- PRISMA and MESA
- Summary

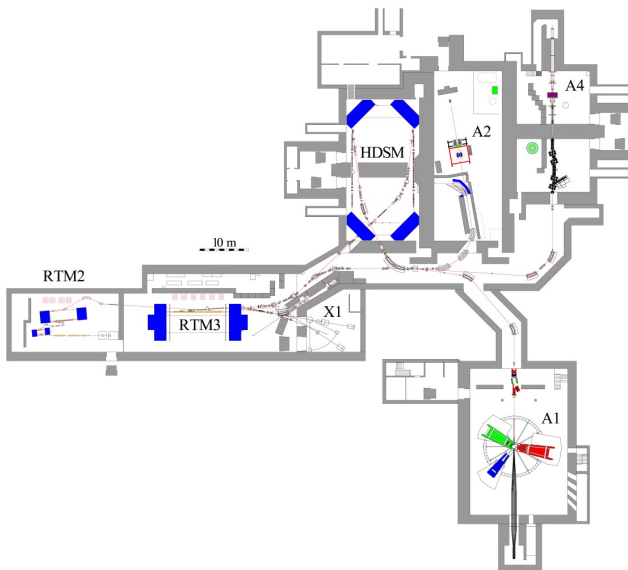
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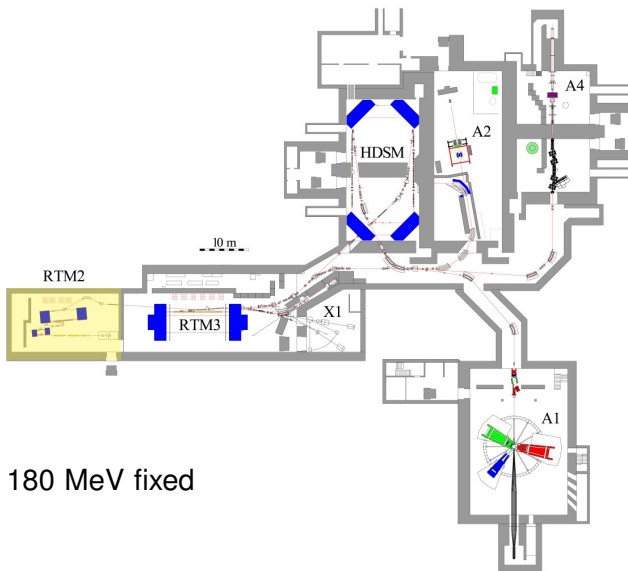
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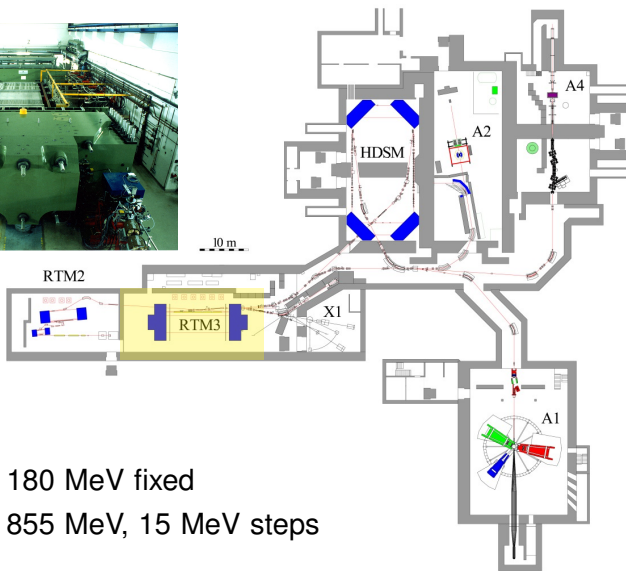
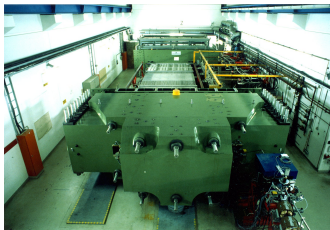


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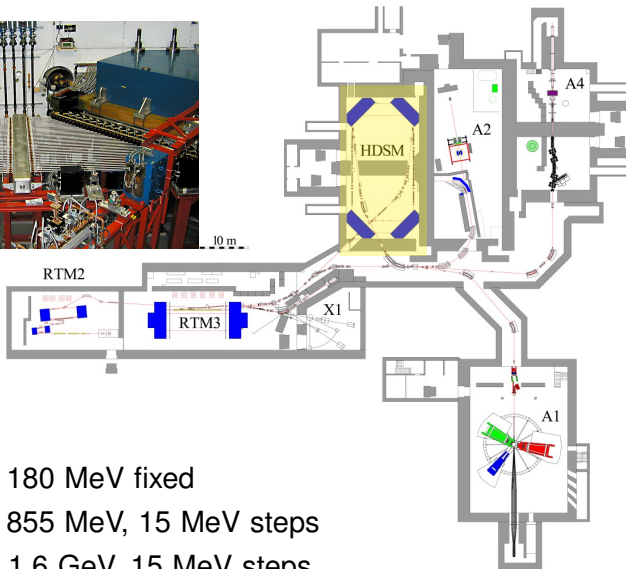
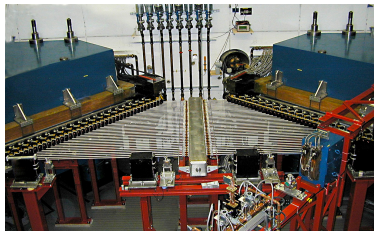
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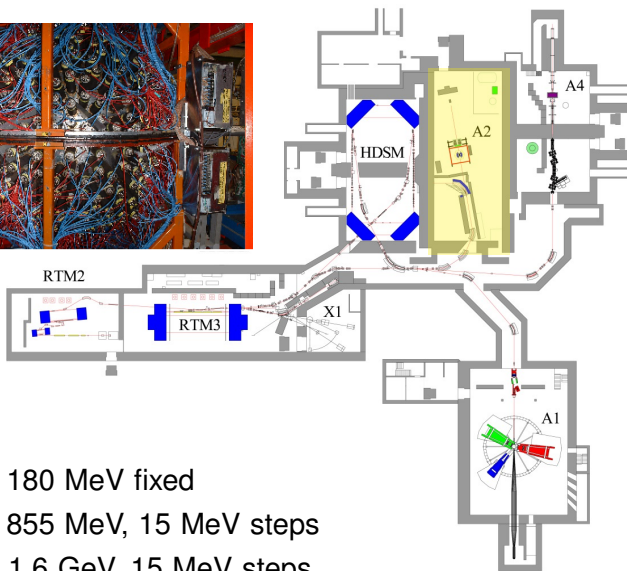
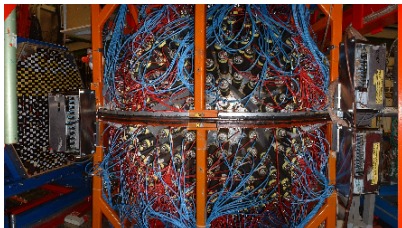
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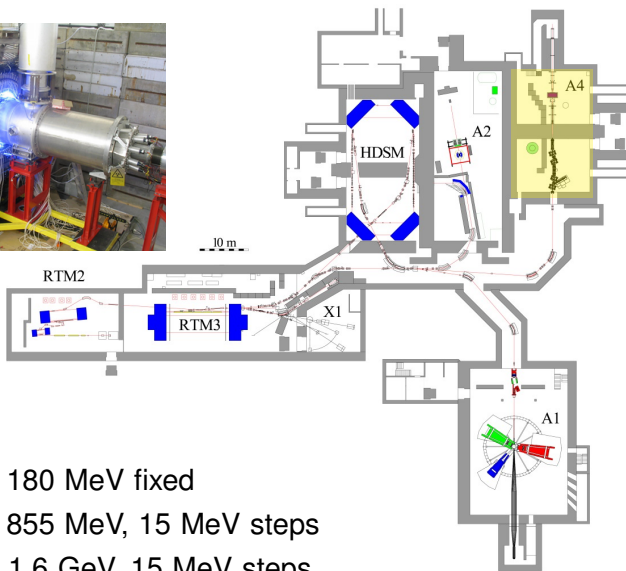
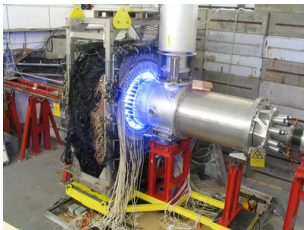


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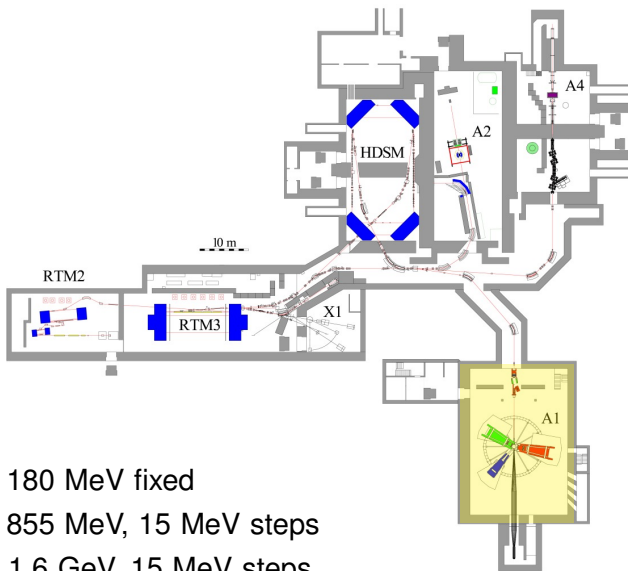
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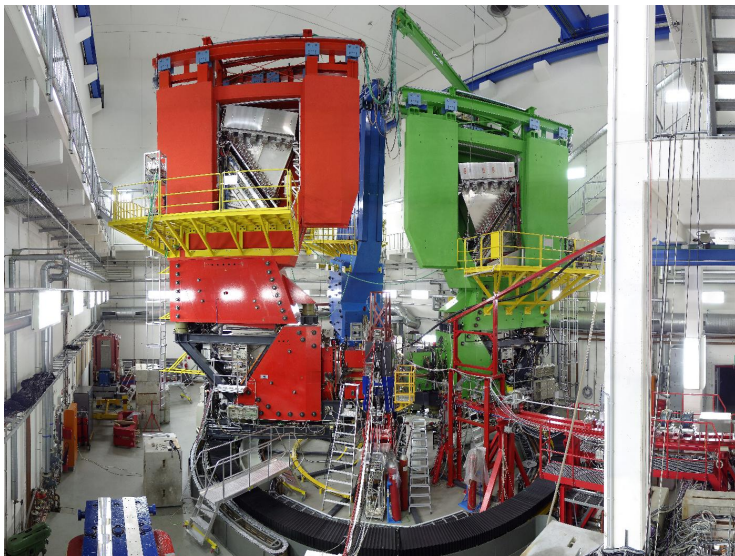
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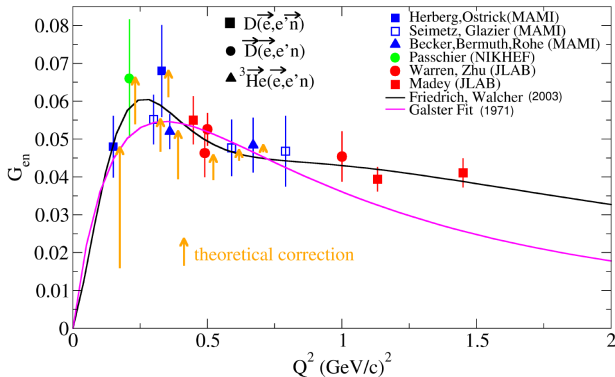
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# Three spectrometer facility of the A1 collaboration



## $^3\text{He}$ as effective neutron target

The electric form factor of the neutron ( $G_{en}$ ) from polarisation experiments



- Few nucleon system serve as effective neutron targets.
- The understanding of hadronic systems is an important goal of nuclear physics.
- Fundamental theory: QCD
- Non perturbative regime: QCD not applicable.  
→ Effective field theories use nucleons, mesons and isobars as effective degrees of freedom.
- Ideal to test EFTs: Few nucleon systems.

## Problem:

- no free neutron target available
- $G_{En}$  small compared to  $G_{Mn}$ .  
Rosenbluth separation gives big errors:

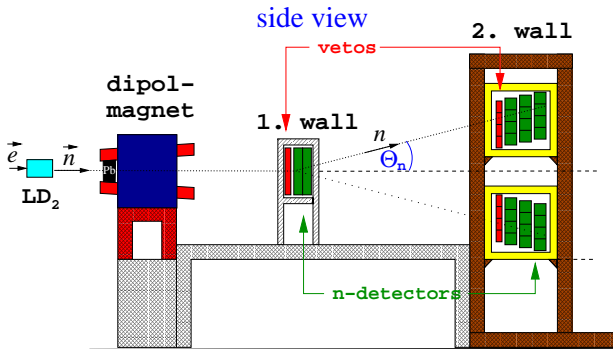
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \sim aG_e^2(q) + bG_m^2(q)$$

## Solution:

Double polarization experiments on  $^2\text{H}$  or  $^3\text{He}$ .

- $^2\text{H}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{n})$
- $^3\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{n})$

# Double polarization experiments on $^2\text{H}$

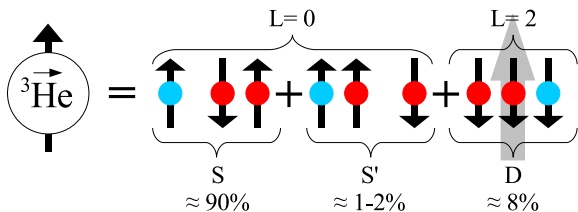


$$\tan \chi_0 = \frac{P_n^x}{P_n^z} = - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau + \tau(1 + \tau) \tan^2 \frac{\vartheta_e}{2}}} \frac{G_{E,n}}{G_{M,n}}$$

D.I.Glazier, M. Seimetz et al., EPJ **A24** (2005) 101



# Double polarization experiments on $^3\text{He}$



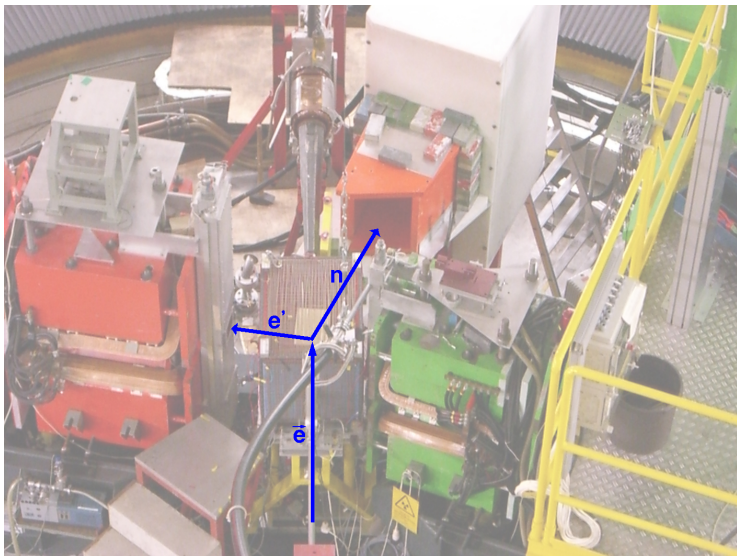
Beam target asymmetry:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \frac{N(\uparrow\uparrow) - N(\uparrow\downarrow)}{N(\uparrow\uparrow) + N(\uparrow\downarrow)} \\
 &= \mathcal{P}_e \mathcal{P}_n \frac{a G_{E,n} G_{M,n} \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta) + b G_{M,n}^2 \cos(\theta)}{c G_{E,n}^2 + d G_{M,n}^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Ratio of asymmetries:

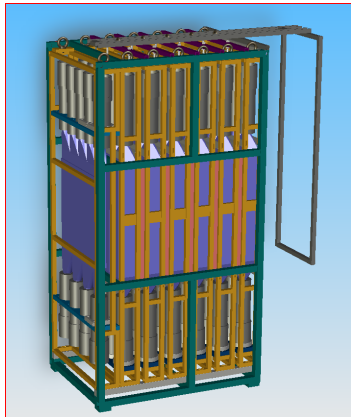
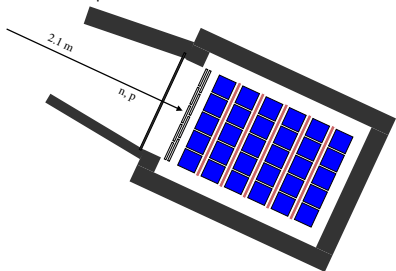
$$\frac{A(\theta = 90^\circ)}{A(\theta = 0^\circ)} = \frac{A_\perp}{A_\parallel} = \frac{a}{b} \frac{G_{E,n}}{G_{M,n}}$$

2008 measurement:  $G_{En}$  at  $Q^2 \approx 1.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$

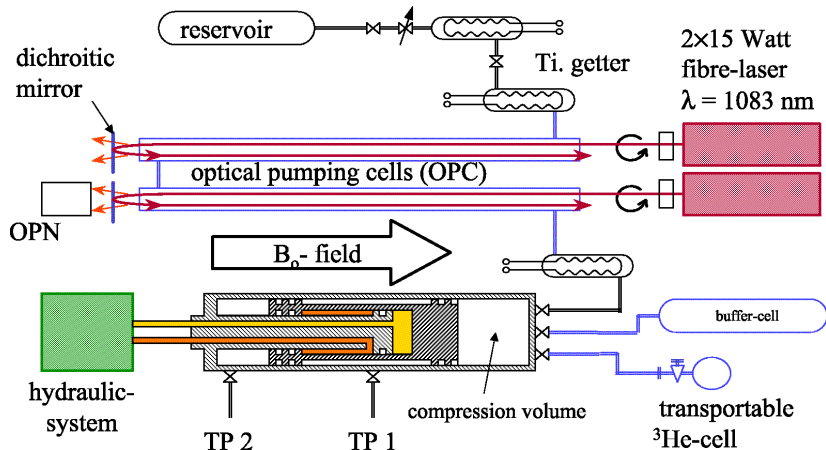


# Neutron detection: Scintillator array

- Plastic scintillator matrix (BC 400)  
6 layers  $\times$  5 bars ( $10 \times 10 \times 50 \text{ cm}^3$ )  
2 PMTs each
- 2 veto layers
- copper layers  $\rightarrow$  increase neutron detection efficiency
- massive shielding
- 1 cm lead in front  
 $\rightarrow$  p-n conversion



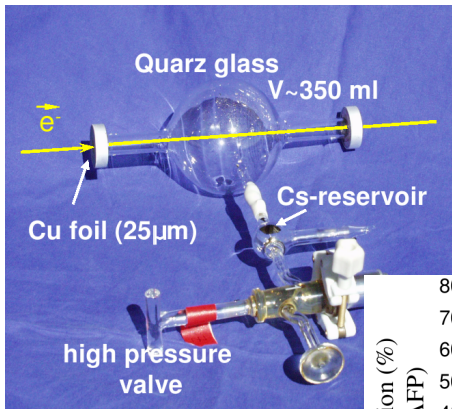
# Polarized $^3\text{He}$ target - Institut für Physik (W. Heil)



J. Krimmer, MOD, W. Heil, S. Karpuk, D. Kiselev, Z. Salhia and E.W. Otten,  
*A highly polarized  $^3\text{He}$  target for the electron beam at MAMI,*  
NIM **611** (2009) 18-24.



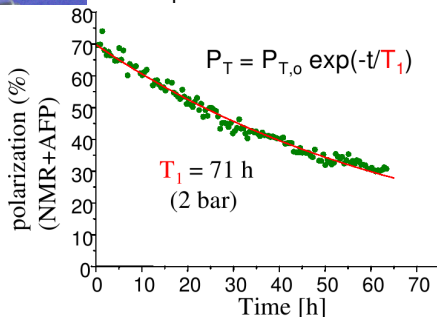
# $^3\text{He}$ cell



## Relaxation due to

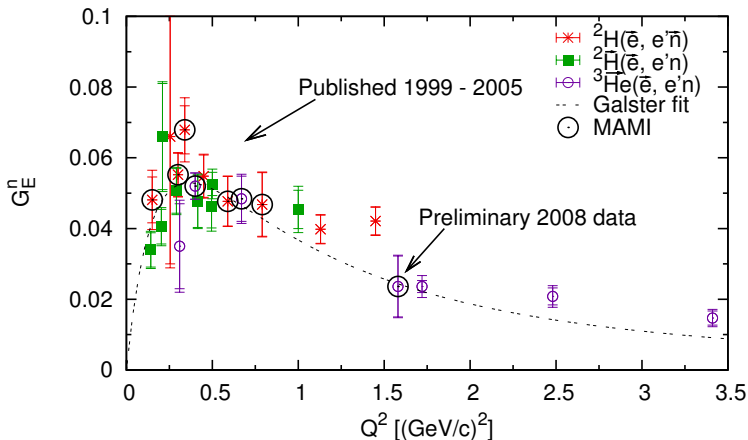
- surfaces
- pressure (5 bar)
- field gradients
- electron beam

→  $T_1 \sim 45$  h



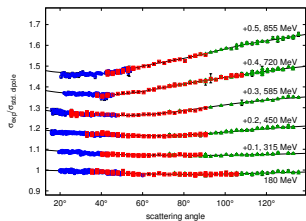
Change of the target cell  
every 12 hours

# $G_{En}$ from polarization experiments



S. Schlimme: PhD thesis, Mainz (2012).

# Form factor: Proton vs. Neutron



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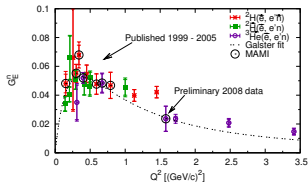
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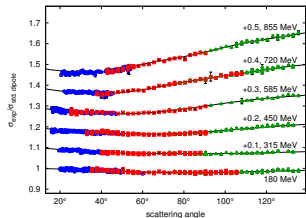
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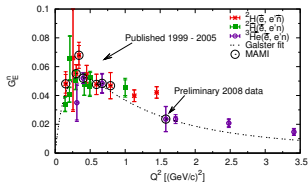
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→ **dedicated neutron experiments**





# Nuclear structure of ${}^3\text{He}$

Are relativistic calculations important?

**Experimental test:** Beam-target asymmetries in the reaction  ${}^3\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'p)$  at  $Q^2 = 0.67 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$

**Theory** (Faddeev method, realistic NN potentials):

Kamada, Glöckle, Golak, Elster: PRC66 (2002) 044010.

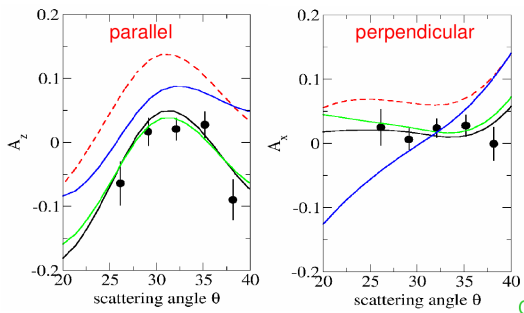
**But:** Incomplete treatment of FSI and MEC.

**Available:**

**PWIA + FSI for the pn-nucleus (FSI23)**

- relativistic 1-body current operator
- relativistic kinematics
- relativistic T-matrix acts on spectator
- relativistic  ${}^3\text{He}$  ground state wave function

# Are relativistic calculations important?



PWIA

current op.	kinematics
relativistic	relativistic
non-rel.	relativistic
relativistic	non-rel.

⇒ relativistic kinematics is important

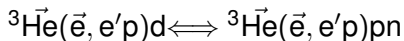
Carasco et al., Phys. Lett. **B559** (2003) 41.

# Nuclear structure of ${}^3\text{He}$

## Study of the reaction mechanism

**Experimental test:** Beam-target asymmetries in the reaction  ${}^3\vec{\text{He}}(\vec{e}, e'p)$  at  $Q^2 = 0.31 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$  in quasi-elastic kinematics.

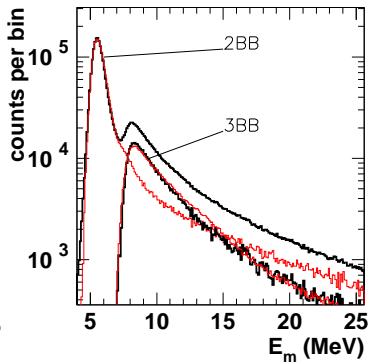
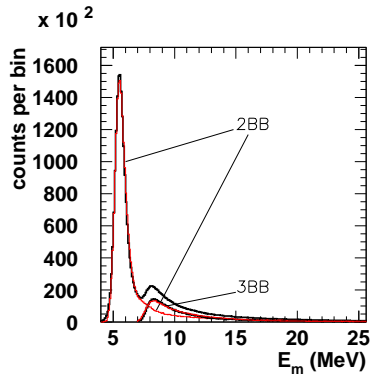
**Analysis:** Separation of 2- and 3-body breakup (2BB and 3BB)



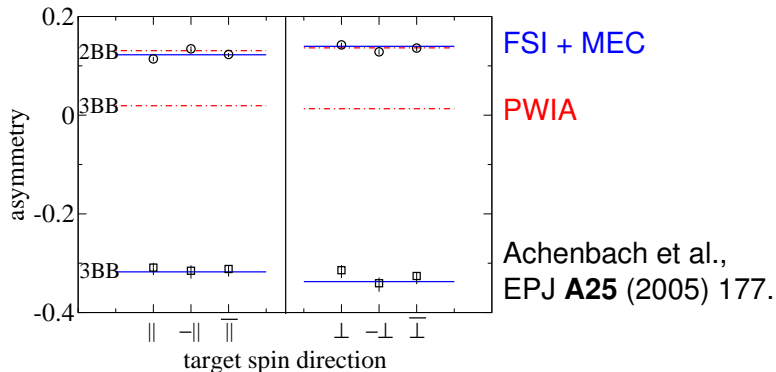
by reconstruction of the missing mass:

$$E_m = E_e - E_{e'} - T_{p'} - T_{A-1}$$

# Nuclear structure of ${}^3\text{He}$



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very good agreement between data and theory  
(calculations by J. Golak)

- FSI: strong influence in 3BB
- MEC: negligible

# Nuclear structure of $^3\text{He}$

## Interpretation:

- 2BB:

→ polarized proton target

$P_{2BB} = (-)^1_3$  (simple Clebsch-Gordan relation)

Experiment:  $A_{||} = 12.3\%$

PWIA ( $P_p = 100\%$ ):  $A_{||} = 39.2\%$

- 3BB:

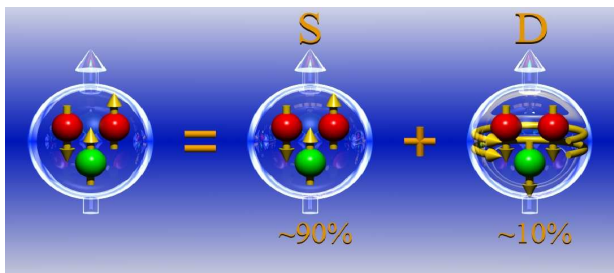
in PWIA: both protons are in S-state

→ no polarization

FSI: mainly rescattering of the spectators

direct FSI of the knocked-out proton with the spectators is small (2BB and 3BB).

# Nuclear structure of $^3\text{He}$



Applications:

- Polarized neutron target ( $G_{en}$  measurement)
- Use polarized  $^3\text{He}$  as polarized proton target?

# Spin structure of ${}^3\text{He}$

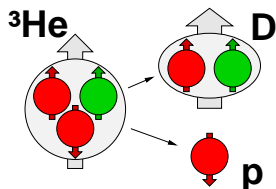
Spin coupling:

$$\left| \left( 1, \frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |1, 1\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} |1, 0\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

$$A \equiv \frac{\mathcal{Y}(M = \frac{1}{2}, M_d = 0, m = \frac{1}{2}; |\vec{q}_0| \hat{z}) - \mathcal{Y}(M = \frac{1}{2}, M_d = 1, m = -\frac{1}{2}; |\vec{q}_0| \hat{z})}{\mathcal{Y}(M = \frac{1}{2}, M_d = 0, m = \frac{1}{2}; |\vec{q}_0| \hat{z}) + \mathcal{Y}(M = \frac{1}{2}, M_d = 1, m = -\frac{1}{2}; |\vec{q}_0| \hat{z})}$$



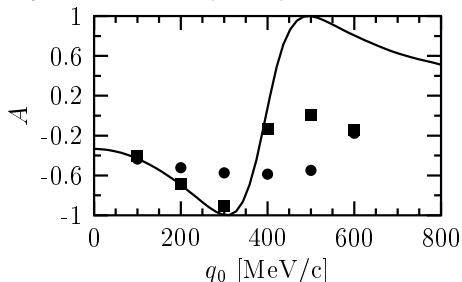
# Polarized proton target?



Prediction of the spin-dependent momentum distribution in  $^3\text{He}$ :

J. Golak et al.:

Phys. Rev. C **65** (2002) 064004.



First triple polarization experiment

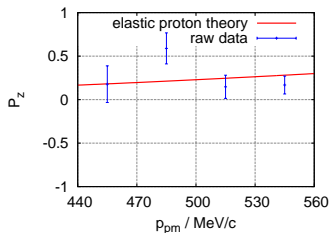
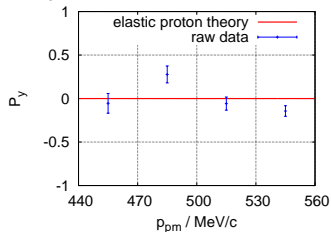
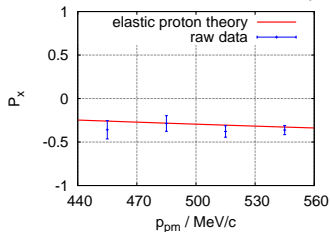
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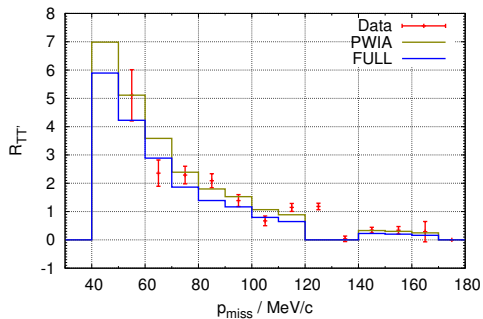
Comparison of the polarization:

Free proton  $H(\vec{e}, e'\vec{p})$  (theory) –

Recoil proton from  ${}^3\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{p})d$  (A1 experiment)

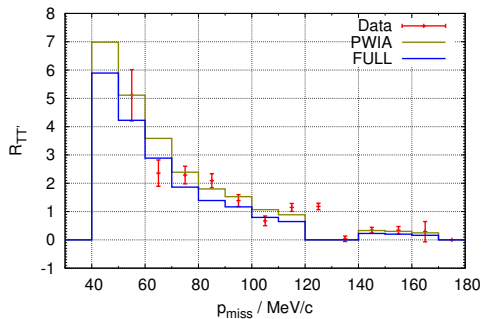


# Preliminary results on ${}^3\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{p})d$

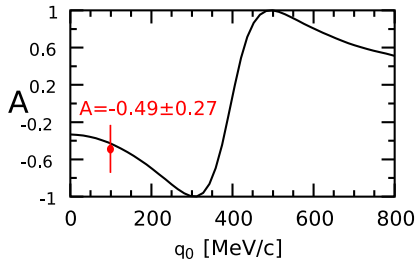


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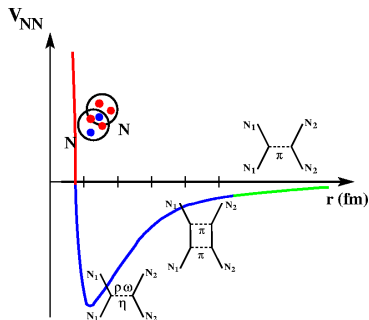


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Spin-dependent momentum distribution

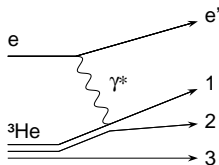
# Correlations in ${}^3\text{He}$



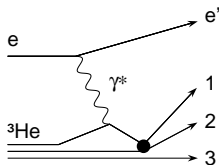
- Many nuclear models use the “mean field” ansatz: “Independent particle models”.
- This picture accounts for long range, attractive forces.
- Short range forces, which are responsible for correlations, are often neglected.

# Correlations in $^3\text{He}$

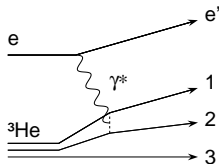
One-body currents:  
Central and tensor correlations



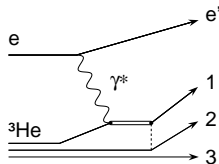
Final state interactions (FSI):



Two-body currents:  
Meson Exchange currents (MEC)



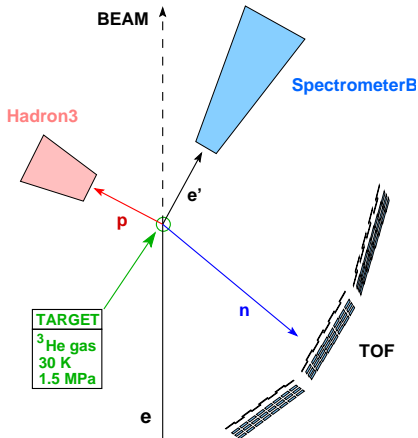
$\Delta$ -excitations. Isobar currents (IC)



Disentangle contributions via comparison of pp ( $^3\text{He}(e, e'pp)$ ) and pn ( $^3\text{He}(e, e'pn)$ ) knockout.

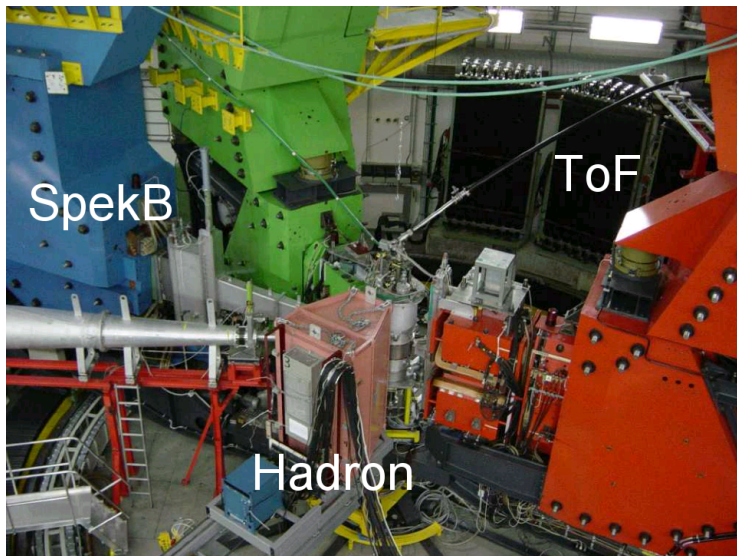
# $^3\text{He}(e, e'pn)$ - Experimental setup

Amsterdam - Glasgow - Tübingen - Mainz



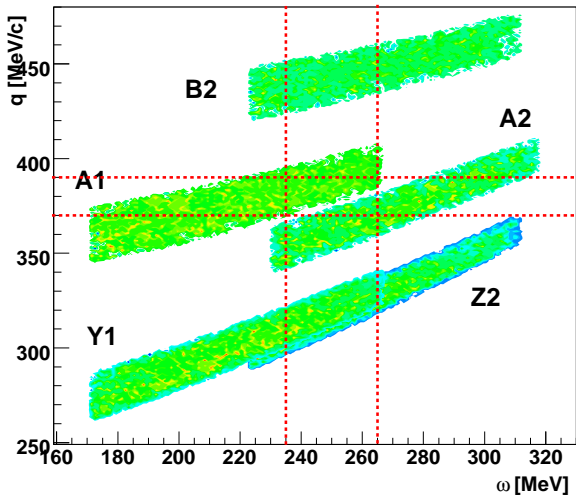
- $^3\text{He}(e, e'pp)$  (Nikhef)  
Groep et al.: PRC 63  
(2000) 014005.
- Magnetic spectrometers  
for electron detection
- Scintillator hodoscope  
(Amsterdam): Proton
- TOF (Glasgow,  
Tübingen): Neutron
- High pressure cryo target

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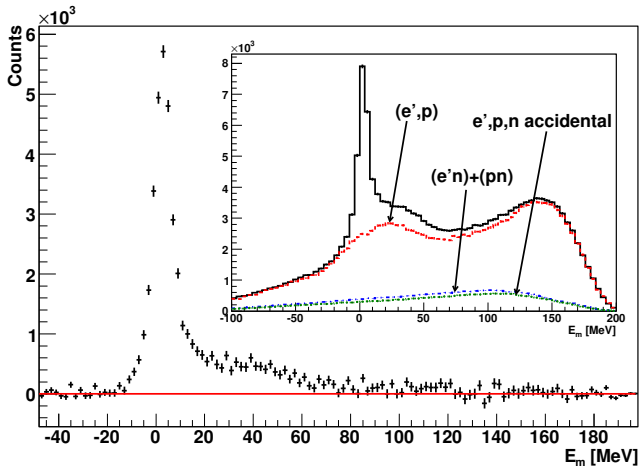




# $^3\text{He}(e, e'pn)$ - Kinematical region

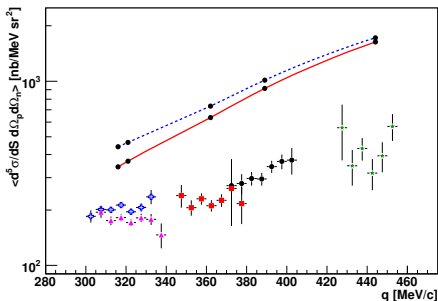


# $^3\text{He}(e, e'pn)$ - missing-energy ( $E_m$ ) distribution



D. G. Middleton *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **103** (2009) 152501.

# ${}^3\text{He}(e, e'pn)$ - cross section vs. momentum transfer



- $q$  tests, how the photon couples to the nucleus.
- A small increase of the cross section is seen.
- ${}^3\text{He}(e, e'pp)$  showed a decrease.

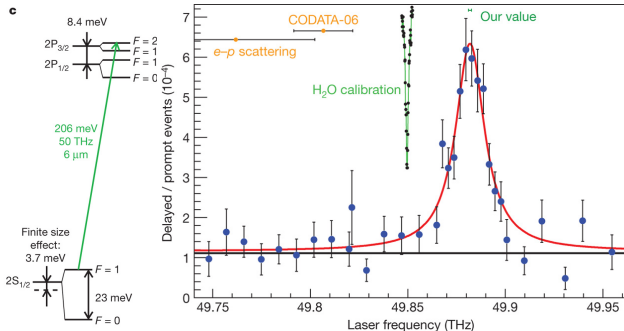
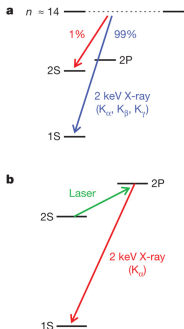
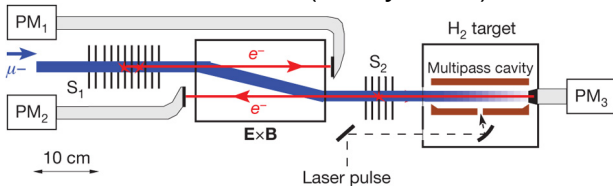
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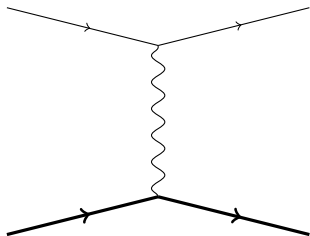
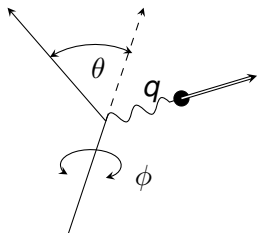
# The radius puzzle – Lamb shift in $\mu\text{H}$



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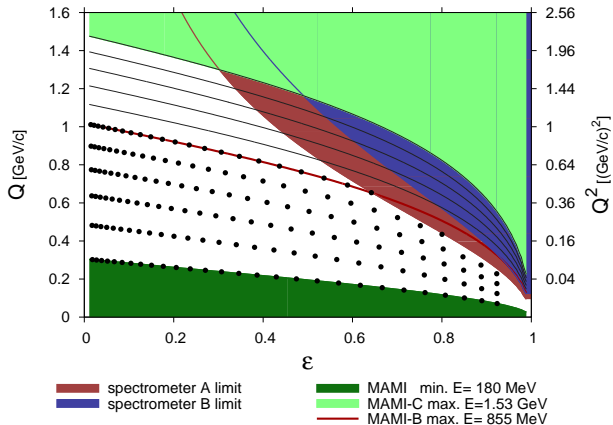
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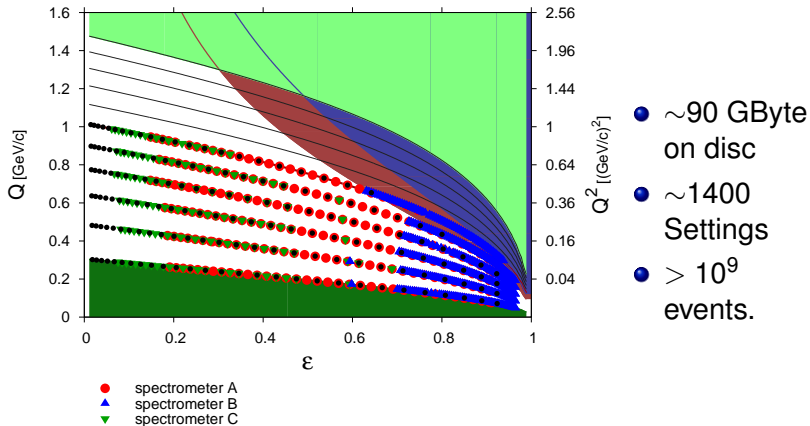
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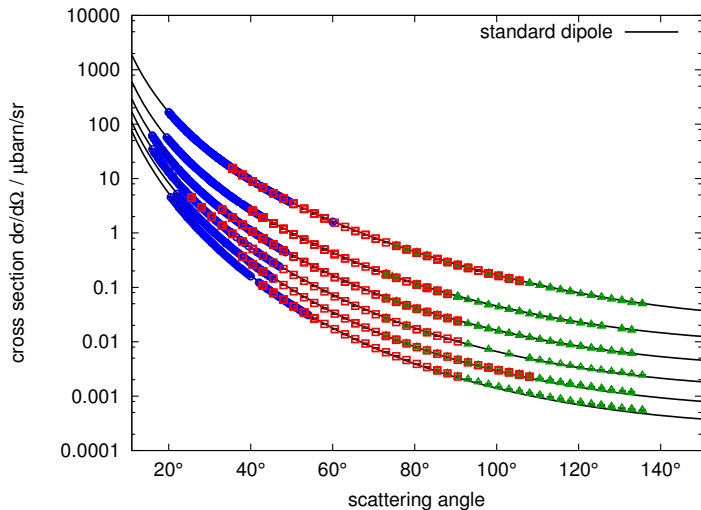
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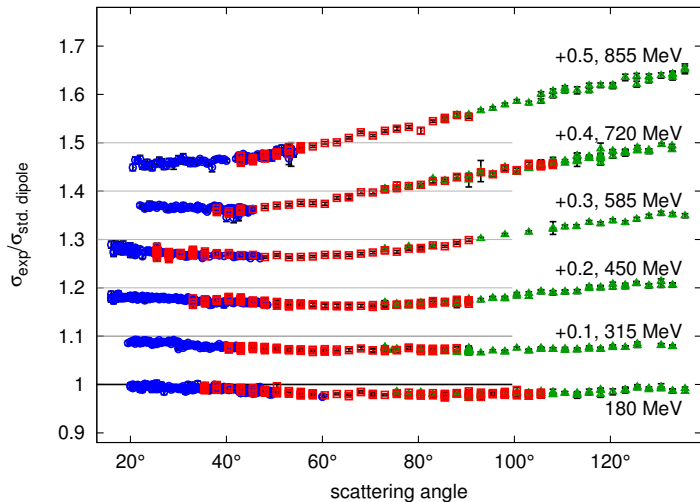




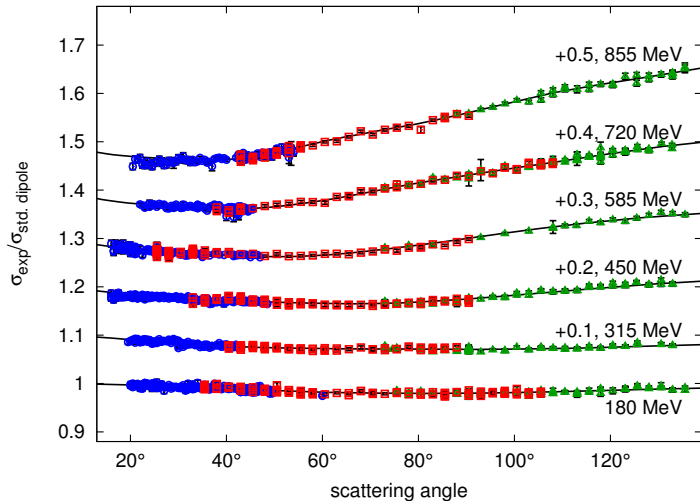
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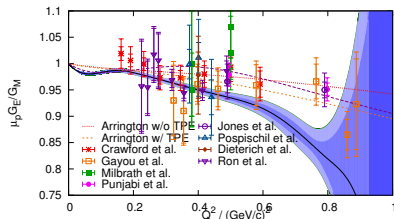
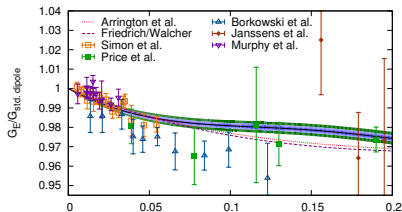
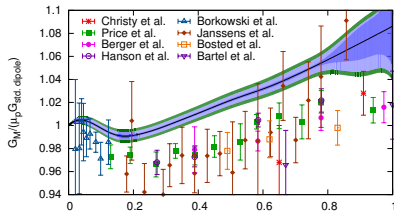
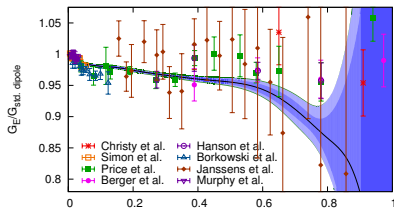
# Cross sections / standard dipole



# Cross sections + spline fit



# Form factor results



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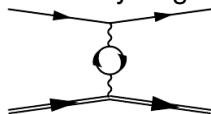
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vertex and self-energy  
vacuum polarization  
anom. magn. moment  
+ higher order

1011.41 MHz

-27.13 MHz

67.82 MHz

-205.028 meV

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theoretical value

1057.864(14) MHz

-206.057 meV

experimental value

1057.862(20) MHz

$\Delta$  : 0.341 meV

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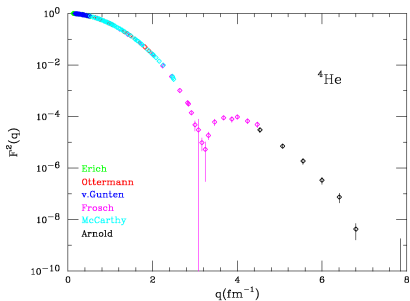
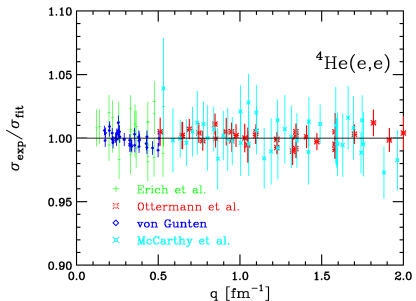


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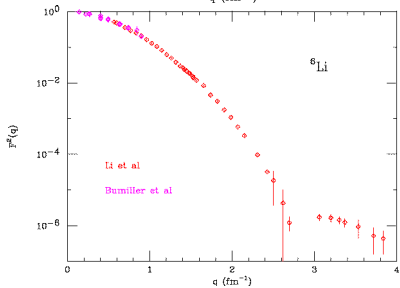
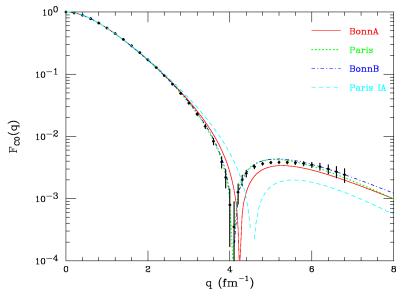
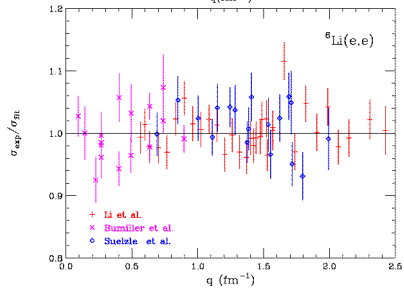
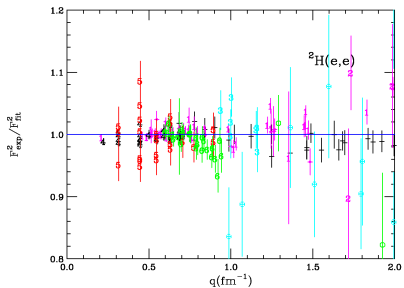


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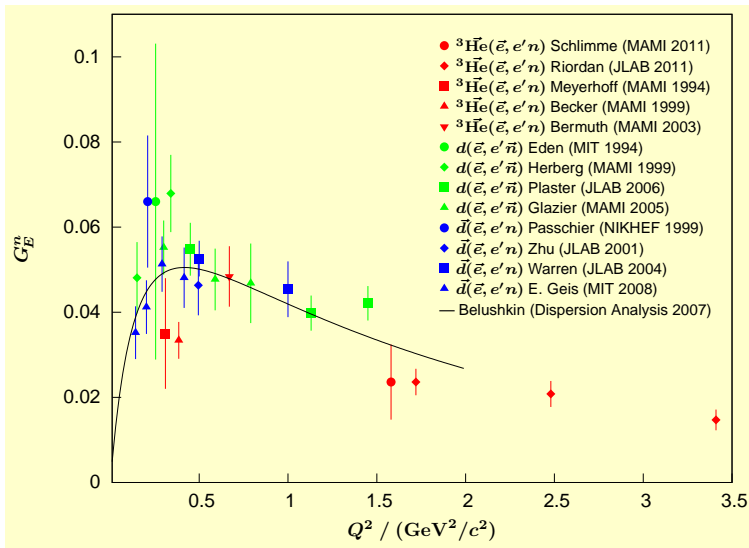
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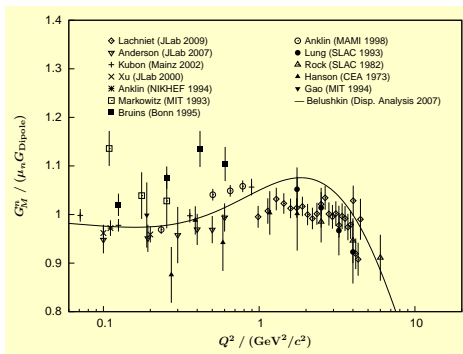


# Electric form factor of the neutron: $G_{En}$



Only double polarization measurements!

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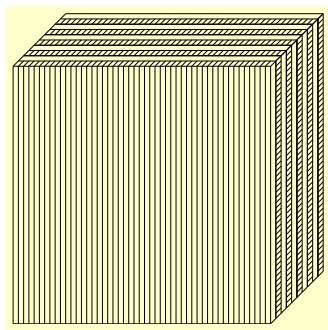
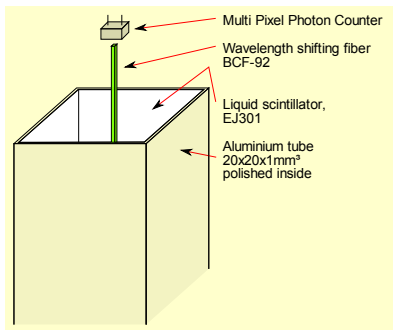


- Discrepancy BLAST  $\leftrightarrow$  CLAS
- Data consistency
- Observable:  $R = \frac{{}^2H(e,e'n)p}{{}^2H(e,e'p)n}$
- Normalization of neutron detector
  - *In situ* calibration (background, count rate, n-momentum)
  - Continuous monitoring of efficiency

# Electric form factor of the neutron

- Well suited for low  $Q^2$ : Recoil polarimetry on Deuteron
- Goal: half error bar, cover range  $0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$ – $2 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $\Rightarrow$  Experimental requirements:
  - Improved statistics  $\times 20$ 
    - Improved efficiency:  $15\% \rightarrow 80\%$
    - Improved beam current:  $3 \mu\text{A} \rightarrow 20 \mu\text{A}$
    - Improved resolution  $\rightarrow$  reduced background
    - Just more beam time...
  - Improved systematics
  - Improved mechanical design
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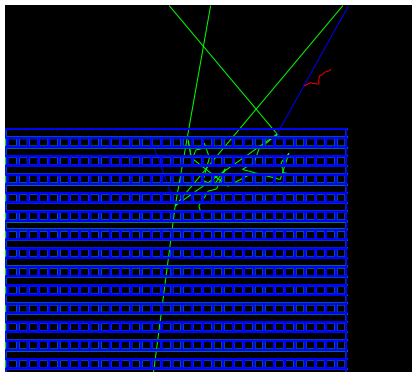
# Design of a new Neutron detector



- Aim: Costs per module  $\approx 200\text{€}$
- Block:  $\approx 1\text{ m}^3 \Rightarrow 48 \times 48$  Modules
- Segmenting improved  $\approx 10 \times$
- Closer to target with same ToF-resolution

$\Rightarrow$  High rates, large solid angle, good resolution, high efficiency

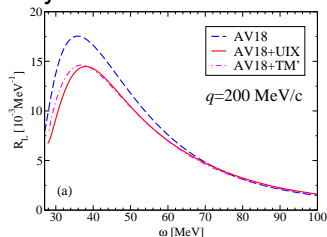
# Simulation (Geant4)



- Momentum range 300 MeV/c – 1500 MeV/c
- Below 300 MeV/c bad position resolution
- Approx. 80% Efficiency, 2% Momentum resolution (ToF), 2 mrad Angular resolution
- Preliminary design, first test modules are built

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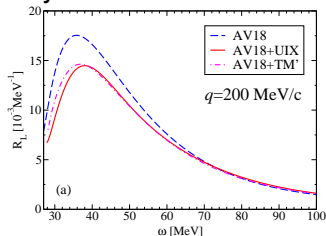


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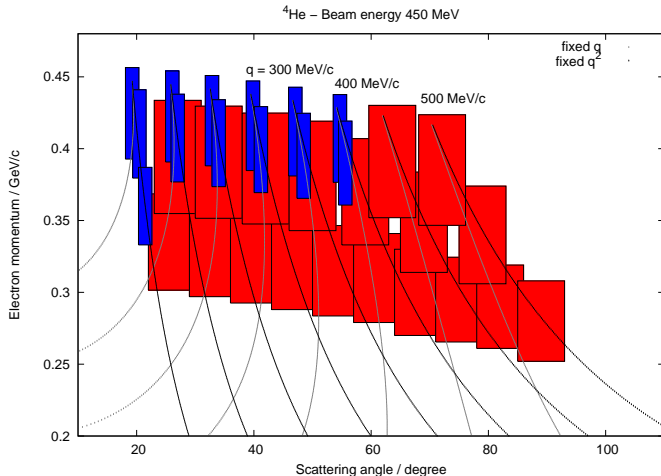
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- 5 beam energies, 250 settings
- LT-separation

# Inclusive measurement on $^3,^4\text{He}$

## Example of kinematic coverage



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### Research Areas

- What is the origin of particle masses?
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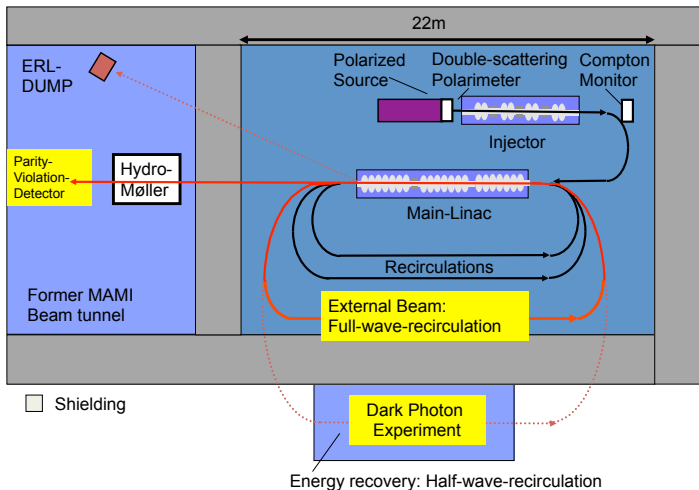
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- **accelerator-based experiments**
- neutrino telescopes and **dark matter experiments**
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- reactor-based experiments with cold and ultra-cold neutrons



# MESA Accelerator (preliminary design)



Energy recovering superconduction linac  $\Rightarrow L = 10^{35} \text{s}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2}$  with internal hydrogen target

## Experiments on few-nucleon systems at MAMI

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- Extensive program to measure nucleon form factors
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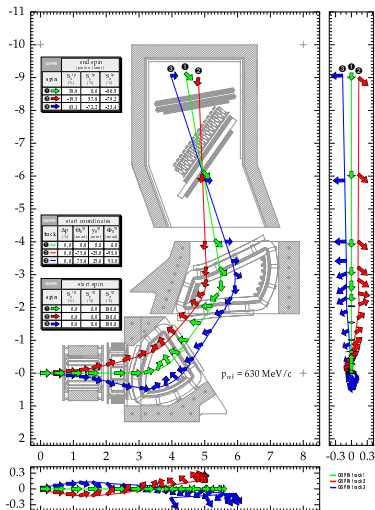
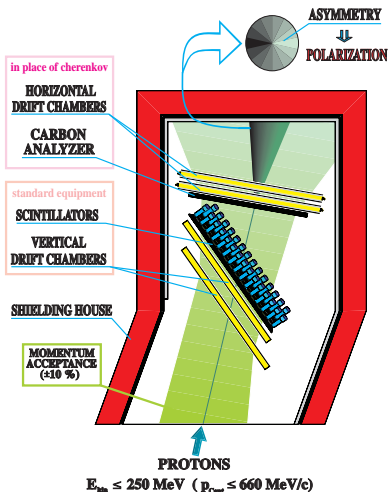
## Plans for the future

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Use EFT to understand medium effects.
- Build an improved neutron detector for  $G_{\text{en}}$
- Form factor and inclusive measurements on  ${}^{6,7}\text{Li}$
- Help resolve the **proton radius puzzle**  
(Zemach-moments, form factors, and polarizabilities of D,  ${}^{3,4}\text{He}$ ).
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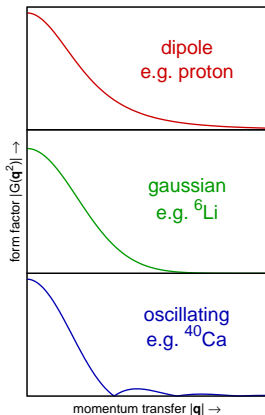
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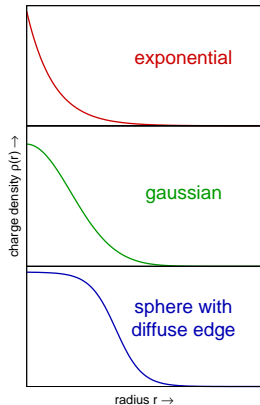


# Classical picture

$$\text{form factor: } G(q^2) = \frac{1}{e} \int_0^\infty \rho(r) \frac{\sin qr}{qr} 4\pi r^2 dr$$



Fourier  
 $\Leftrightarrow$   
Transform



$$\text{charge distribution: } \rho(r) = \frac{e}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^\infty G(q^2) \frac{\sin qr}{qr} 4\pi q^2 dq$$