

# The MAMI Electron Scattering Program

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# Mainz Microtron (MAMI) - Electron Accelerator

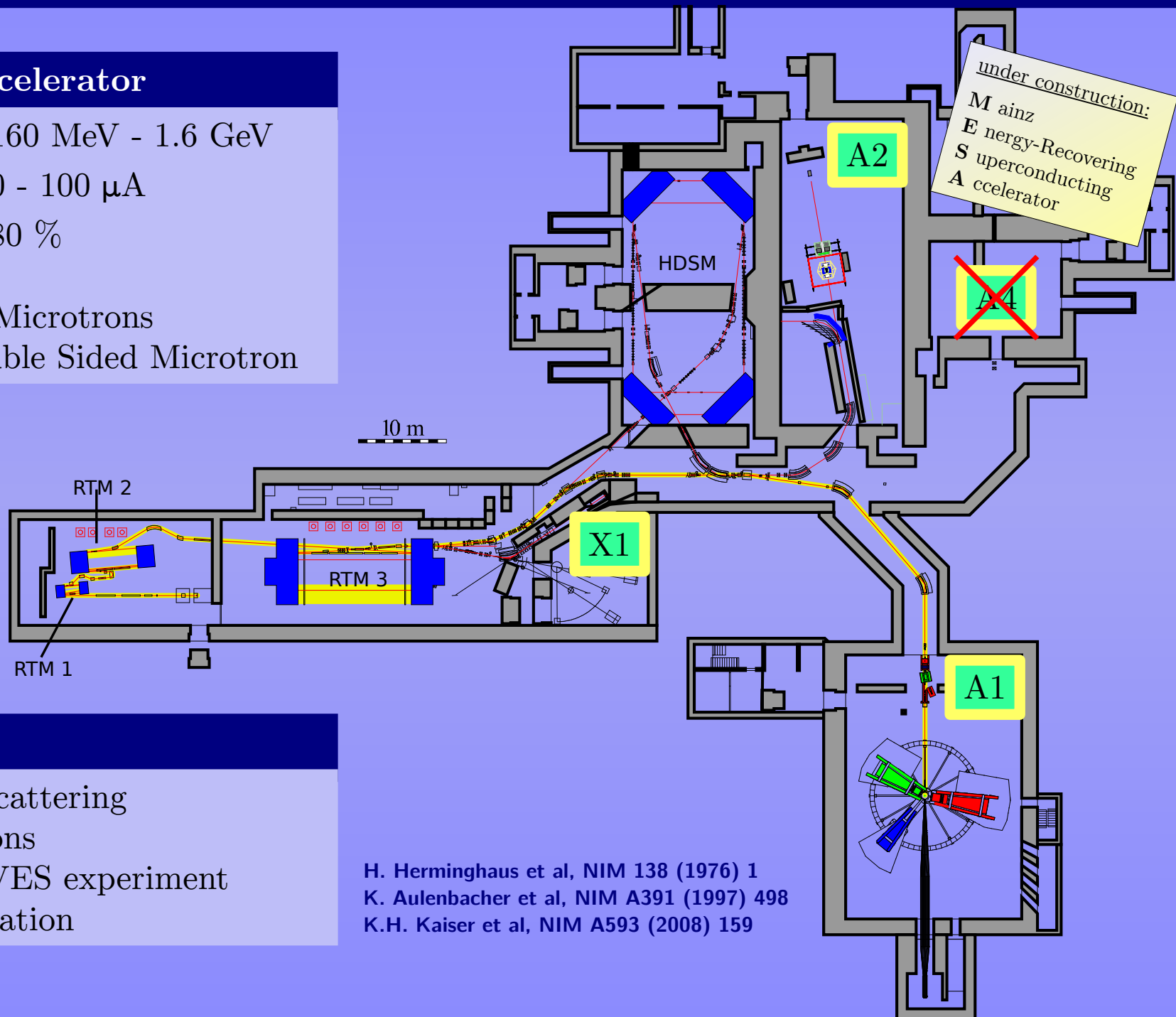
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# Mainz Microtron

## cw electron accelerator

- $E_{\text{beam}}$ : 160 MeV - 1.6 GeV
- $I_{\text{beam}}$ : 0 - 100  $\mu\text{A}$
- Polarization: 80 %
- 3 Race Track Microtrons
- Harmonic Double Sided Microtron

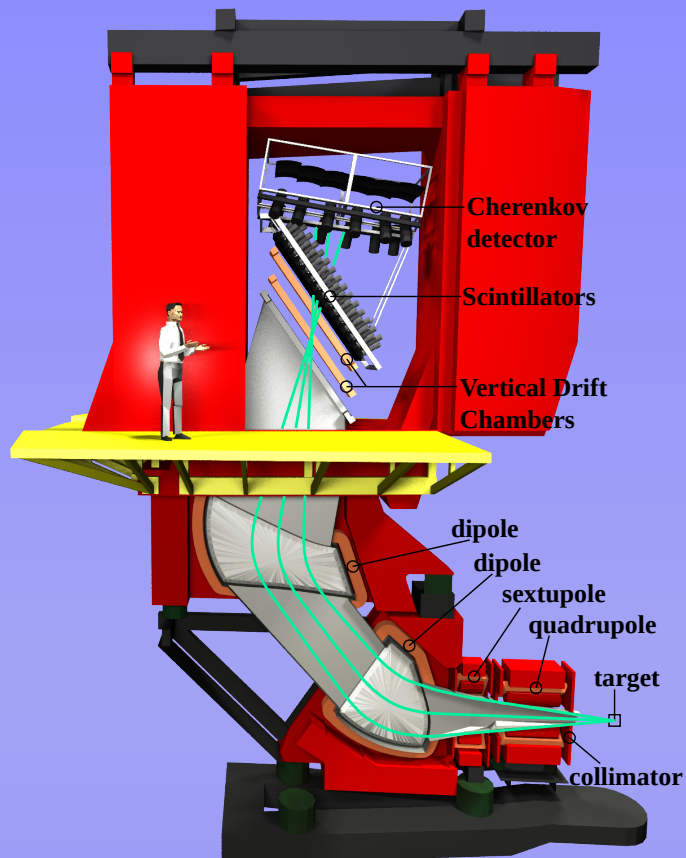


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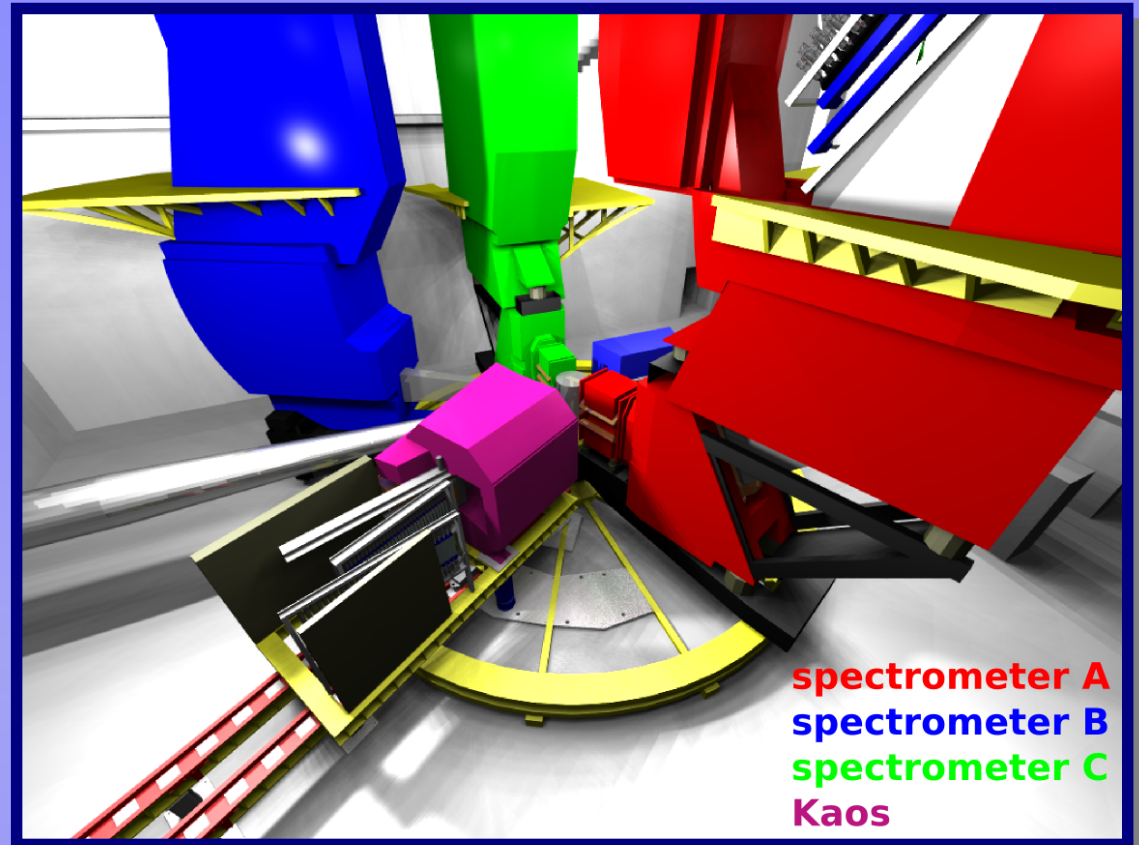
- A1: electron scattering
- A2: real photons
- A4: former PVES experiment
- X1: x-ray radiation

H. Herminghaus et al, NIM 138 (1976) 1  
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K.H. Kaiser et al, NIM A593 (2008) 159

# The A1 Setup



"Three-spectrometer facility"



## additional detector systems

- kaon spectrometer (KAOS)
- pion spectrometer (SOS)
- neutron detectors
- hadron detector
- Si detector
- ...

	A	B	C	KAOS	SOS
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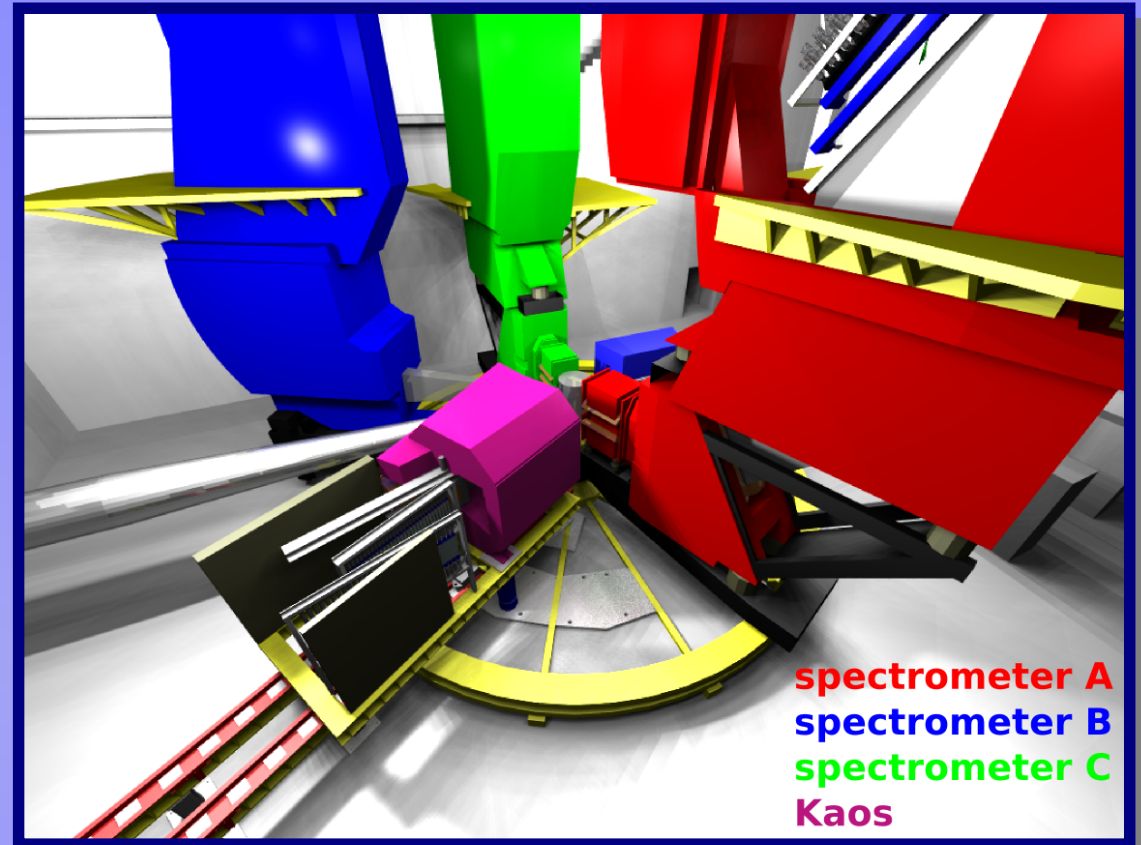
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# The A1 Setup

## available targets

- solid state targets
  - carbon
  - tantalum
  - tungsten
  - plastic
  - ...
- liquid targets
  - hydrogen
  - deuterium
  - waterfall
- gas targets
  - helium-3
  - helium-4
  - ...

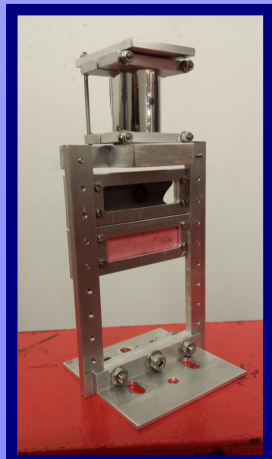


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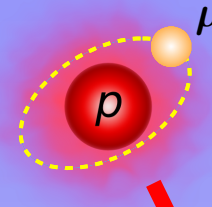
## Proton radius problem

- Proton charge radius: important to atomic, nuclear, and particle physics
- discrepancy of radius measurement

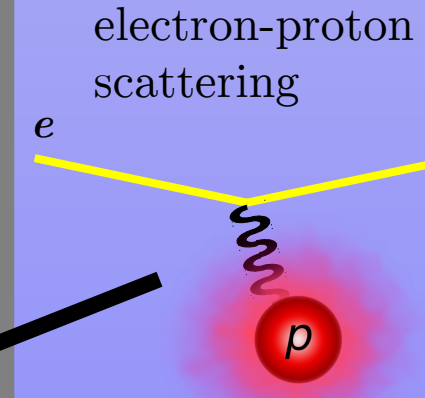
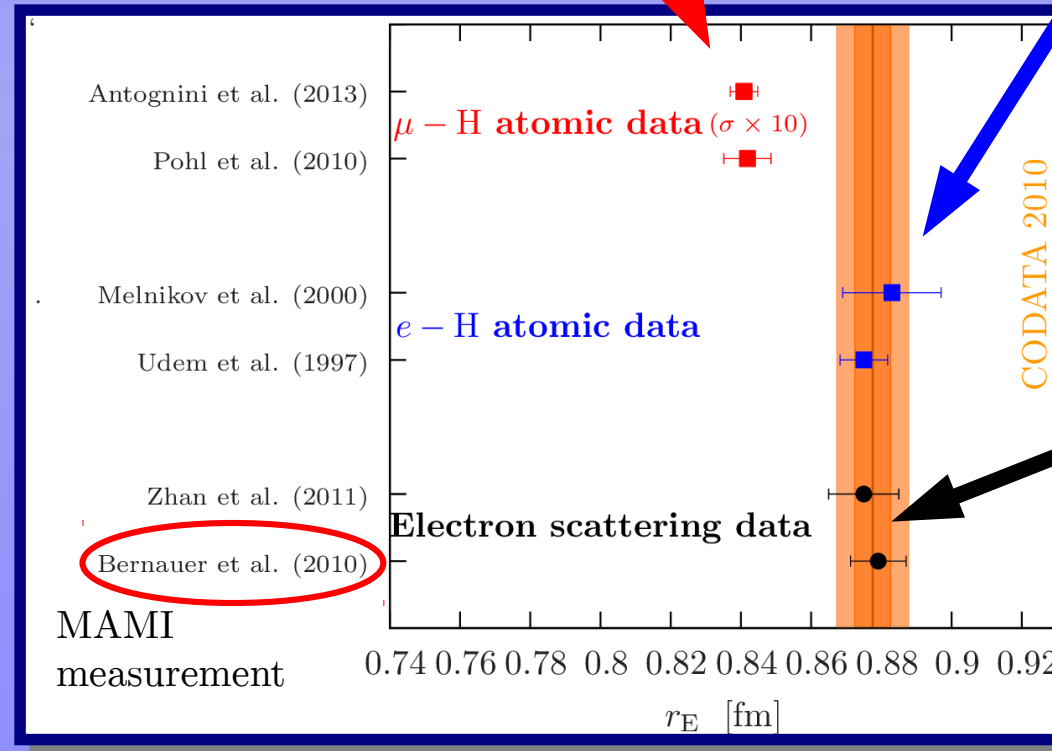
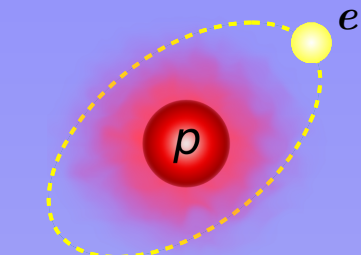
## Active field

- reanalyses
- missing corrections?
- new physics?
- new e-H atomic data
- new scattering data
  - lower  $Q^2$
  - muons (MUSE)
- (muonic) radii of other light nuclei

muonic hydrogen spectroscopy



electronic hydrogen spectroscopy



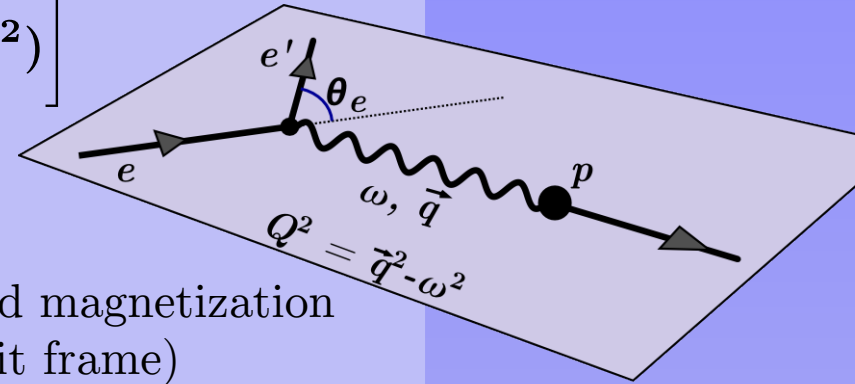
# Proton Form Factors

## elastic electron-proton scattering

- Cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{Mott}} \frac{1}{1 + \tau} \left[ G_E^2(Q^2) + \frac{\tau}{\varepsilon} G_M^2(Q^2) \right]$$

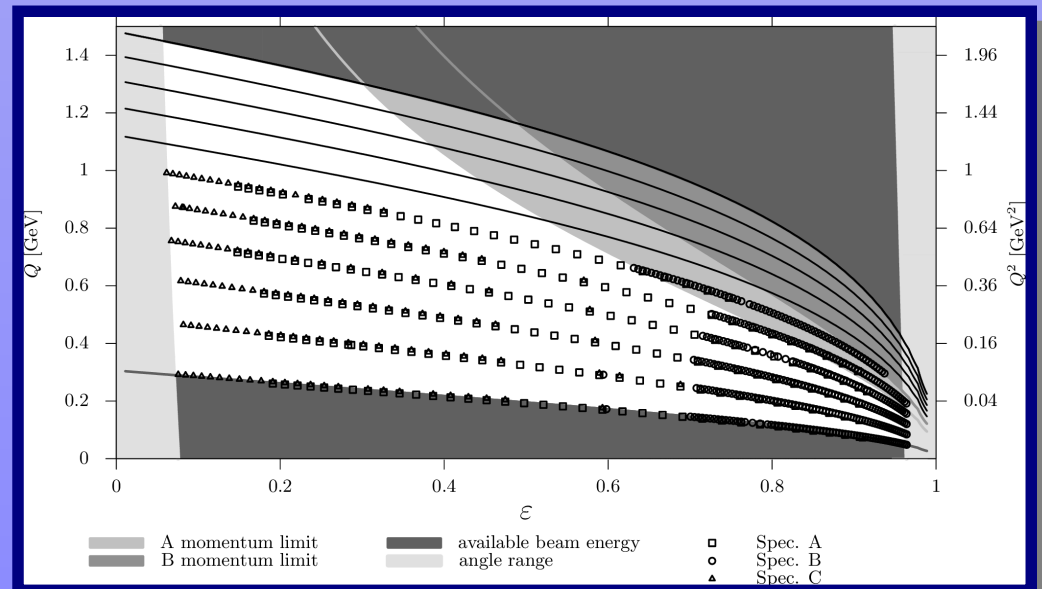
$$\text{with } \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4m_p^2}, \quad \frac{1}{\varepsilon} = 1 + 2(1 + \tau) \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2}$$



- Fourier-transform of  $G_E, G_M \rightarrow$  spatial charge and magnetization distribution (Breit frame)
- disentangle  $G_E, G_M$  via Rosenbluth separation (varying  $\varepsilon$ )
- radius from slope:  $\langle r_E^2 \rangle = -6\hbar^2 \left. \frac{dG_E}{dQ^2} \right|_{Q^2=0}$

## Previous MAMI measurement

- around 1400 cross section measurements
- $Q^2$ : 0.004 to 1  $\text{GeV}^2$
- published 2010



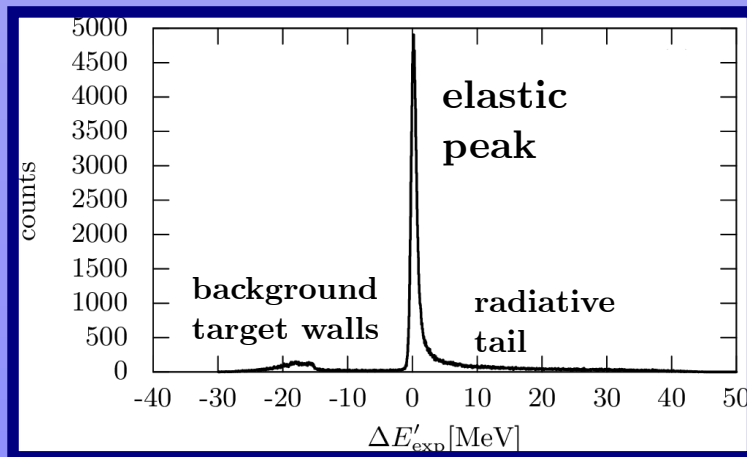
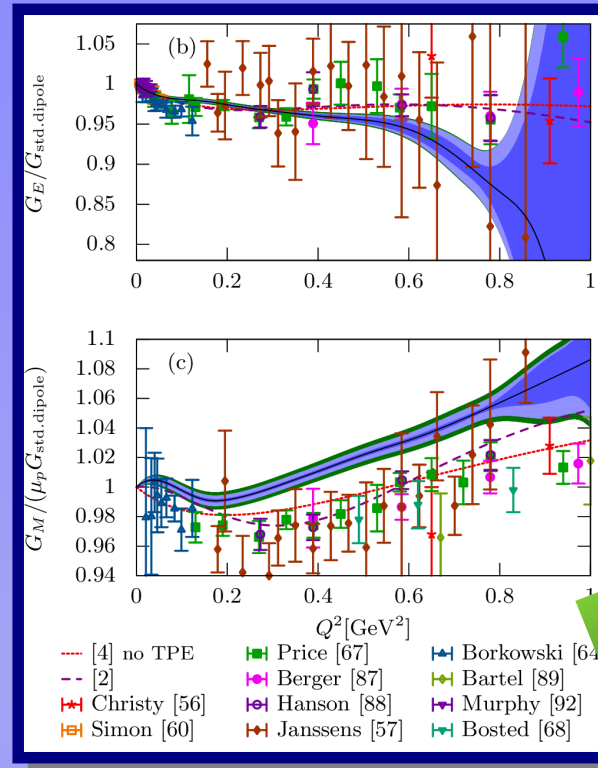
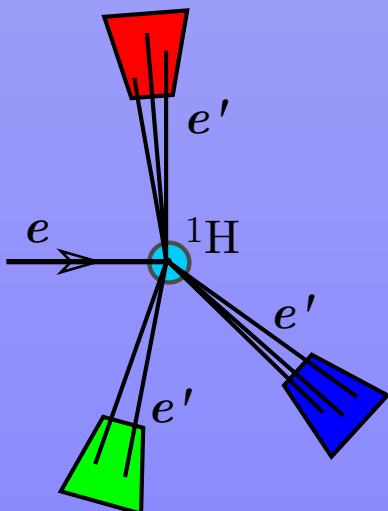
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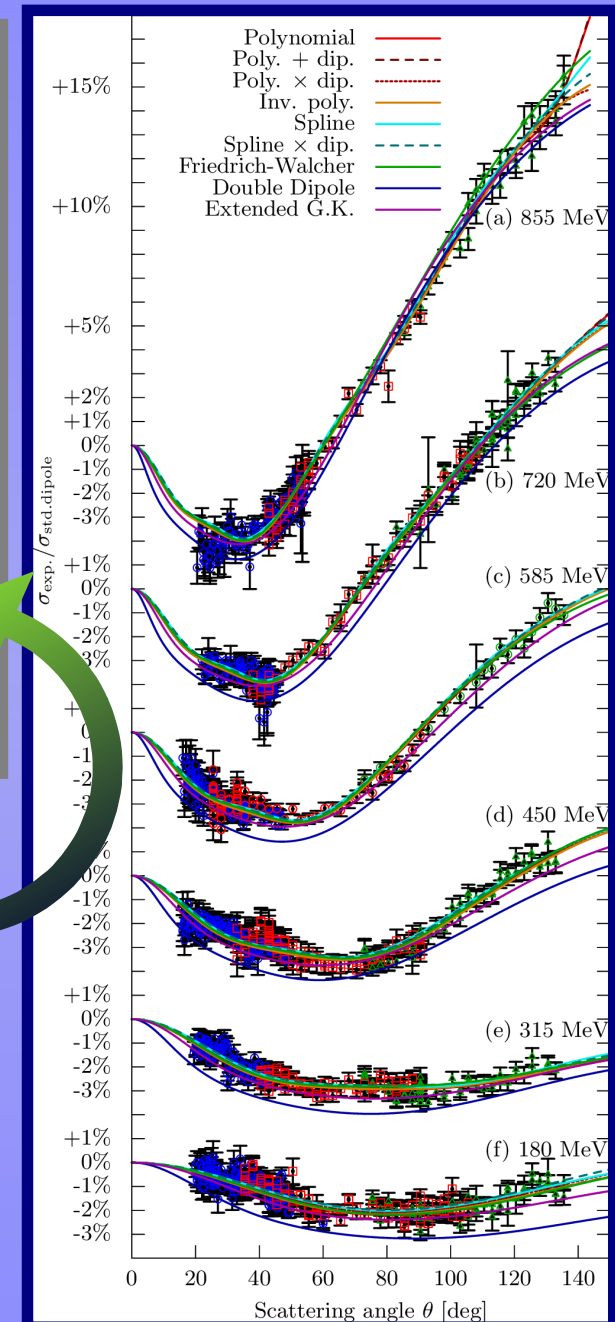
- (1) measure elastic spectrum
- (2) subtract background
- (3) compare to simulation
- (4) fit cross sections using appropriate form factor model(s)
- (5) (determine radius from slope)

## Extend $Q^2$ range

- large  $Q^2$ : similar measurements, higher beam energies
- smaller  $Q^2$ : novel technique: ISR



$\Delta E'$ : measured - expected(elastic)  
electron energy



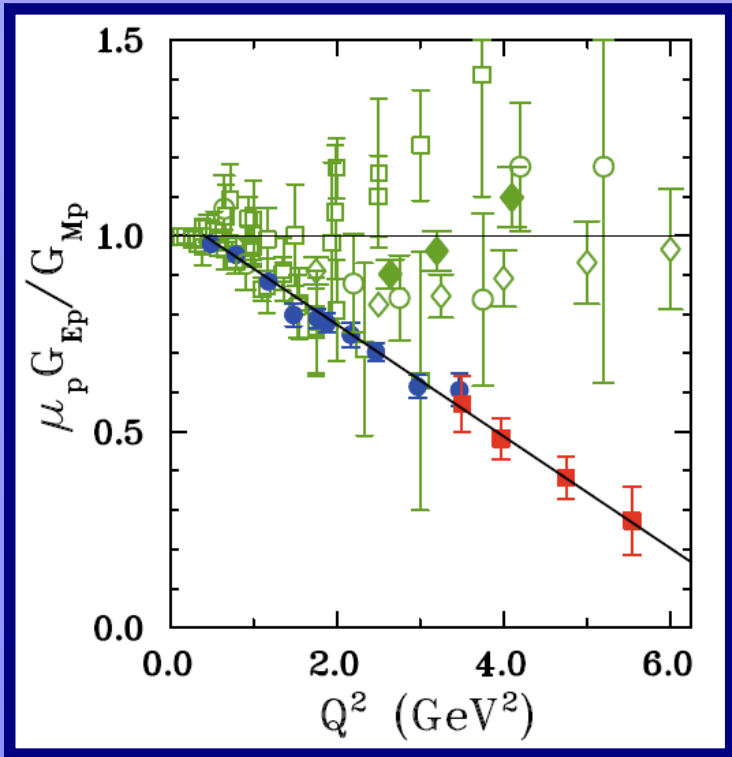
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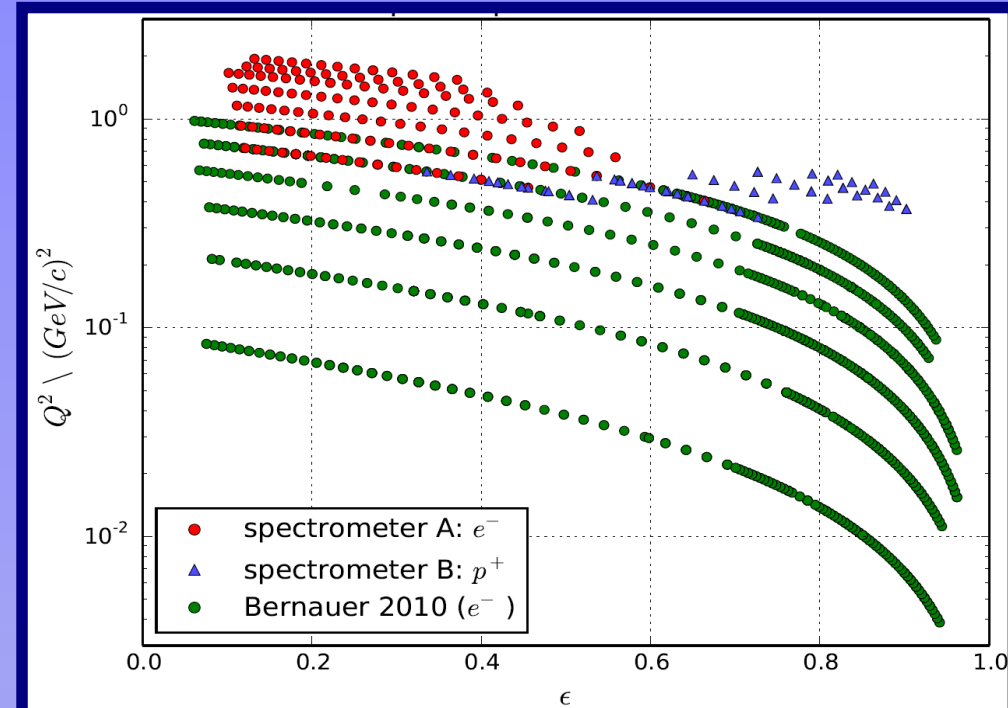
# Proton Form Factors: $Q^2$ range 0.5 to 2 $\text{GeV}^2$

## Extend electron-proton settings

- Similar measurements at higher  $Q^2$  (MAMI-C energies)
- Overlap with previous measurements
- Stat. error 0.2%
- $G_M$  predominates
- Testwise: also  $H(e,p)$



V. Punjabi et al, EPJ A (2015) 51

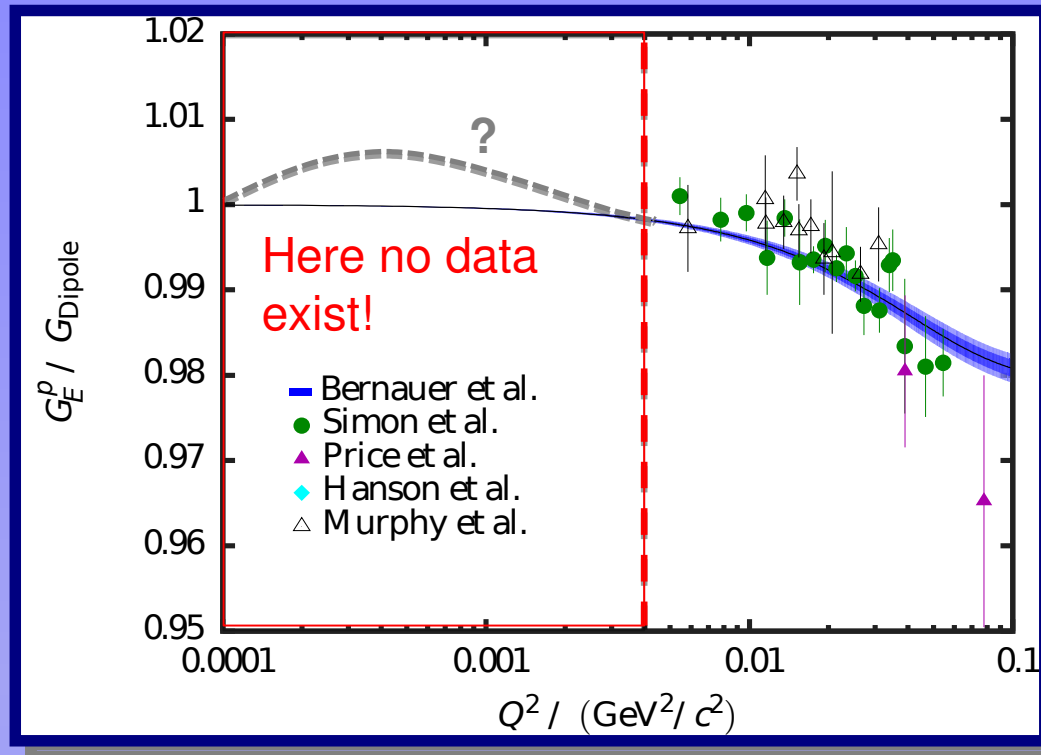


## Will not resolve radius puzzle, but

- $G_E/G_M$ : unpolarized vs. polarized data:  
test of radiative corrections
- discrepancy!
  - Two Photon Exchange?  
likely source of at least part of it
    - theoretical work ongoing
    - dedicated data, e.g. OLYMPUS
    - provide precise unpolarized data at  $Q^2=0.5 \dots 2 \text{ GeV}^2$



# Proton Form Factors: low $Q^2$



## Low $Q^2$ e-p experiments

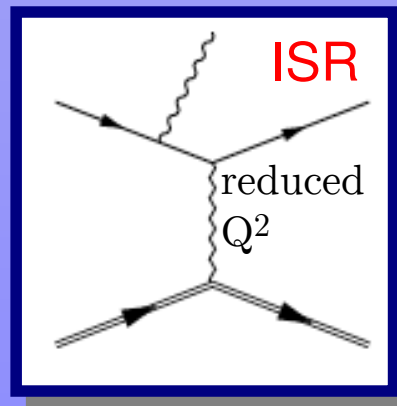
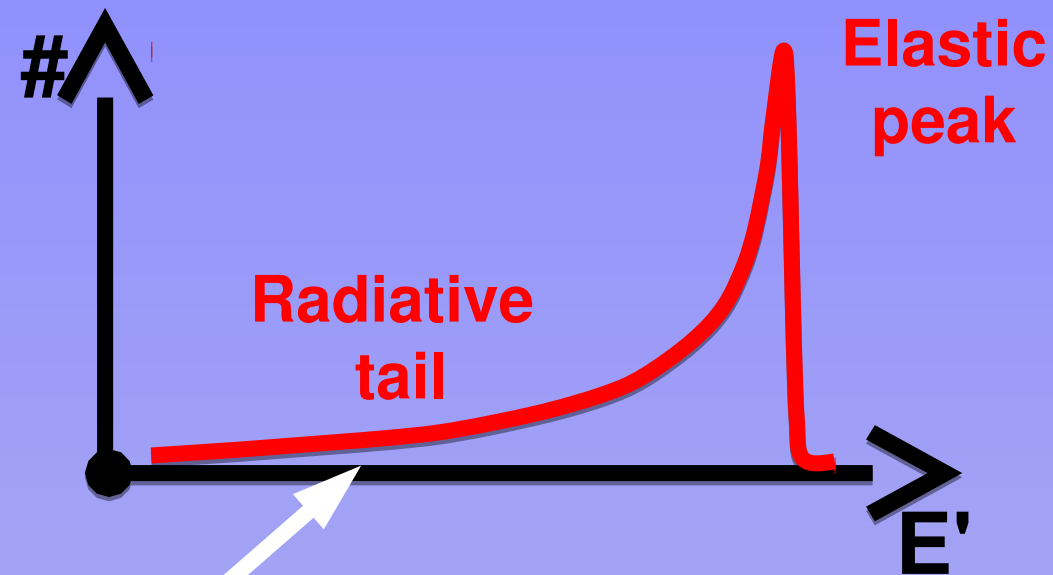
$$\langle r_E^2 \rangle = -6\hbar^2 \left. \frac{dG_E}{dQ^2} \right|_{Q^2=0}$$

- Region of  $Q^2 < 0.004 \text{ GeV}^2$  extremely hard to reach
- For precise radius determination new measurements at even lower  $Q^2$ 
  - PRAD (JLab)
    - low scattering angles -
  - **Initial State Radiation (MAMI)**
    - novel technique -

# Initial State Radiation

## Exploit information in radiative tail

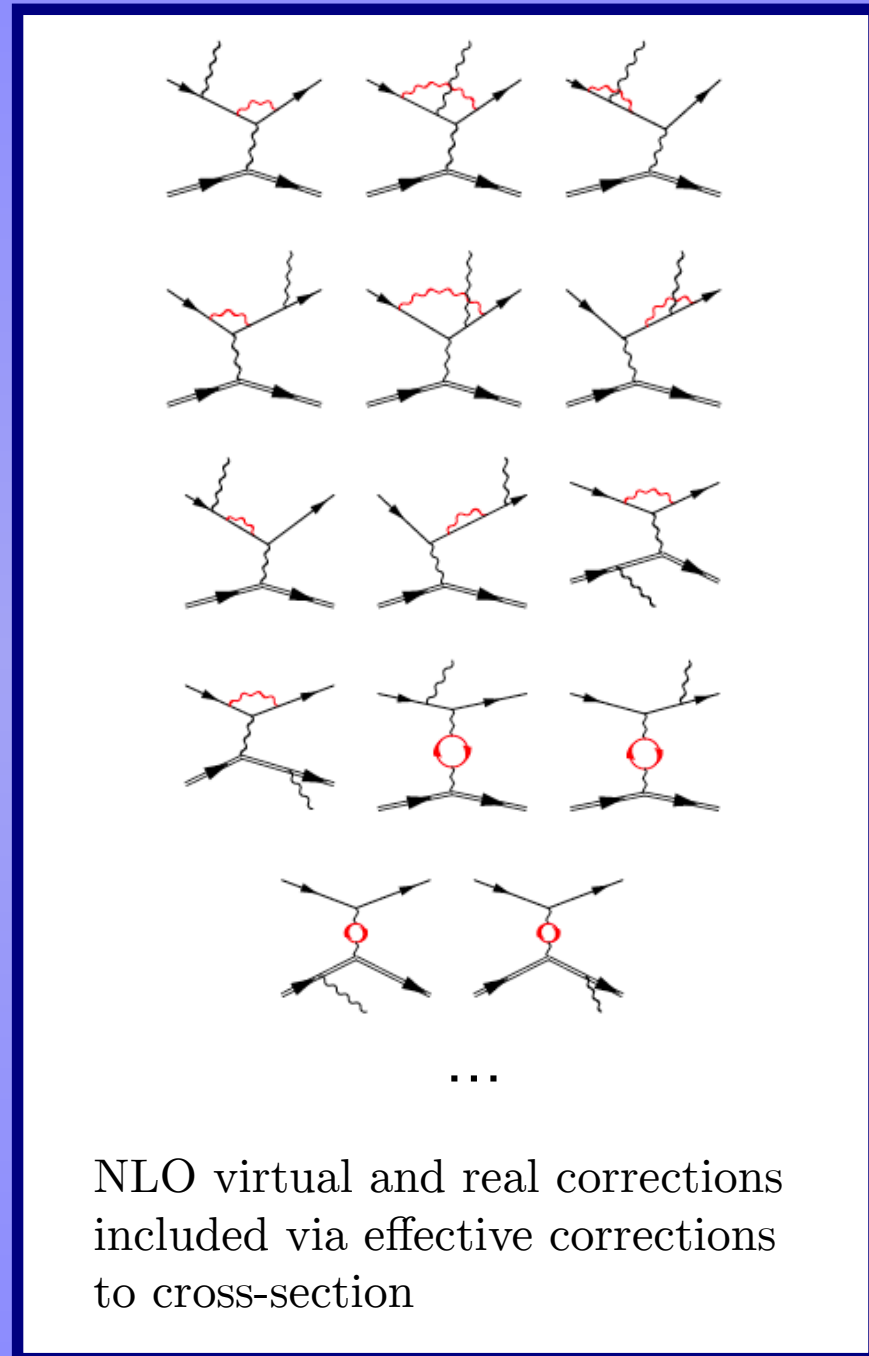
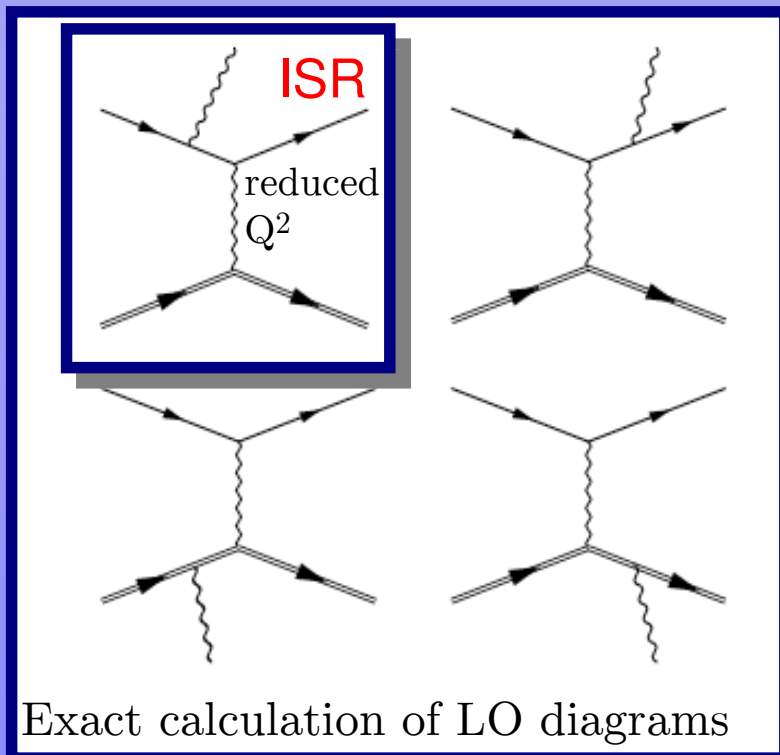
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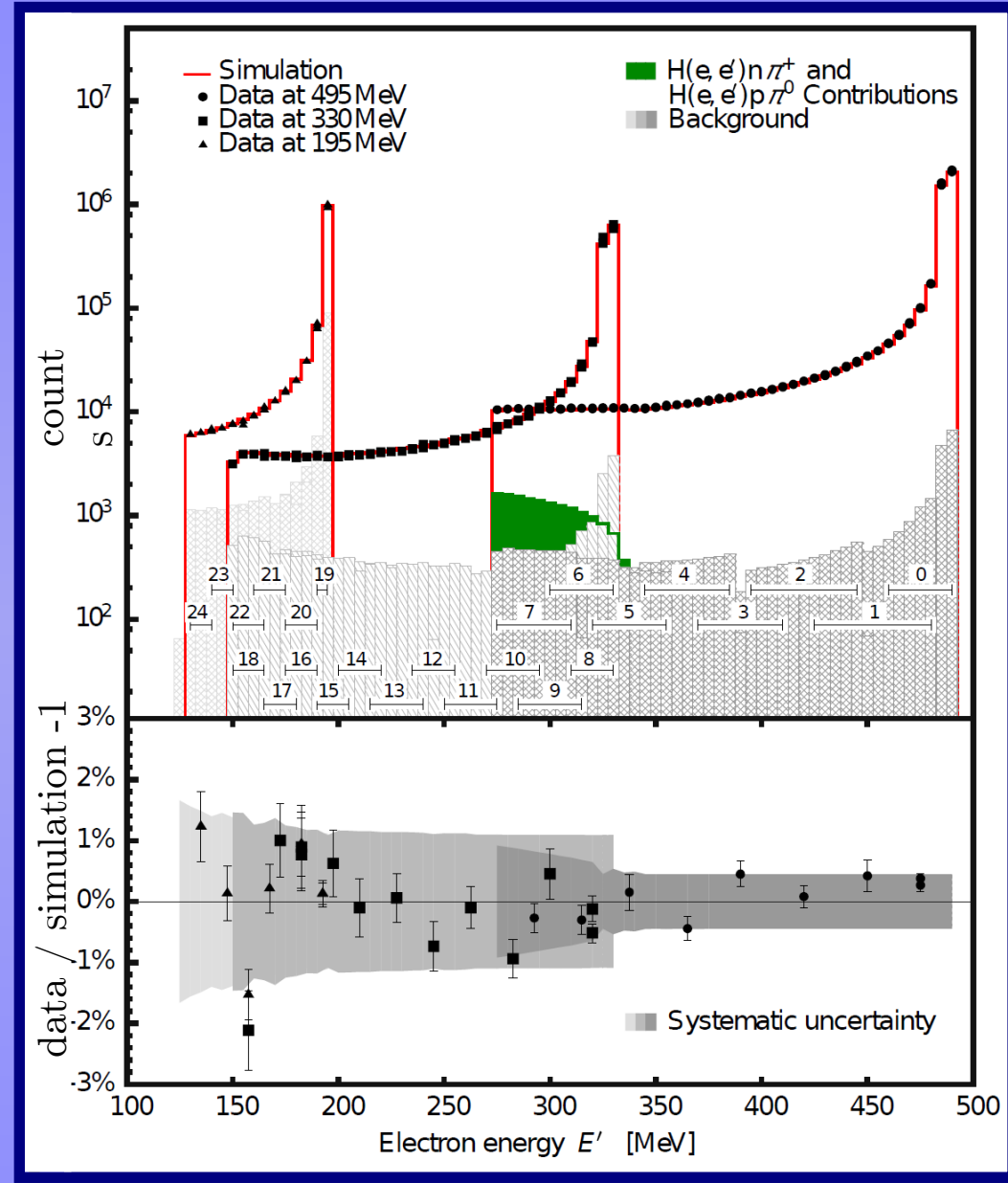
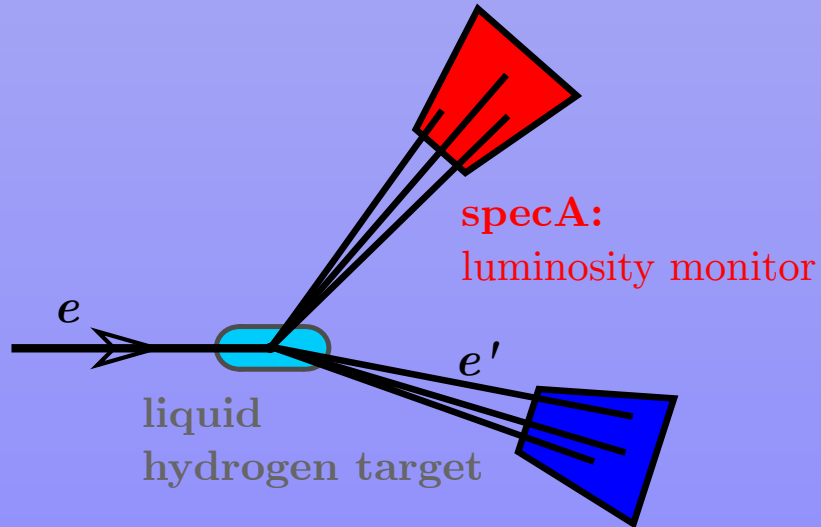
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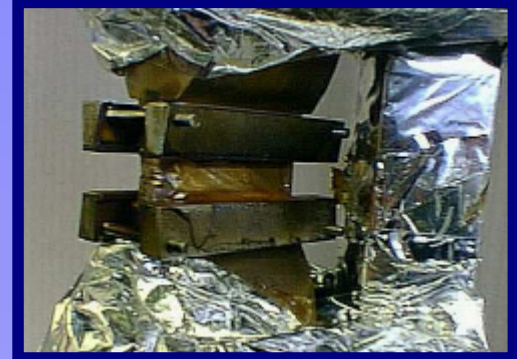
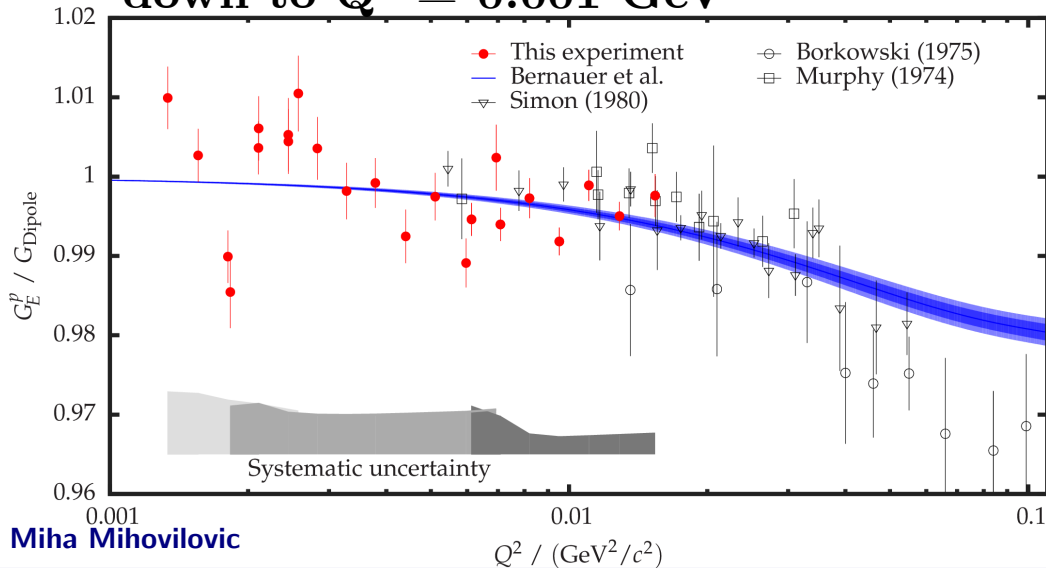
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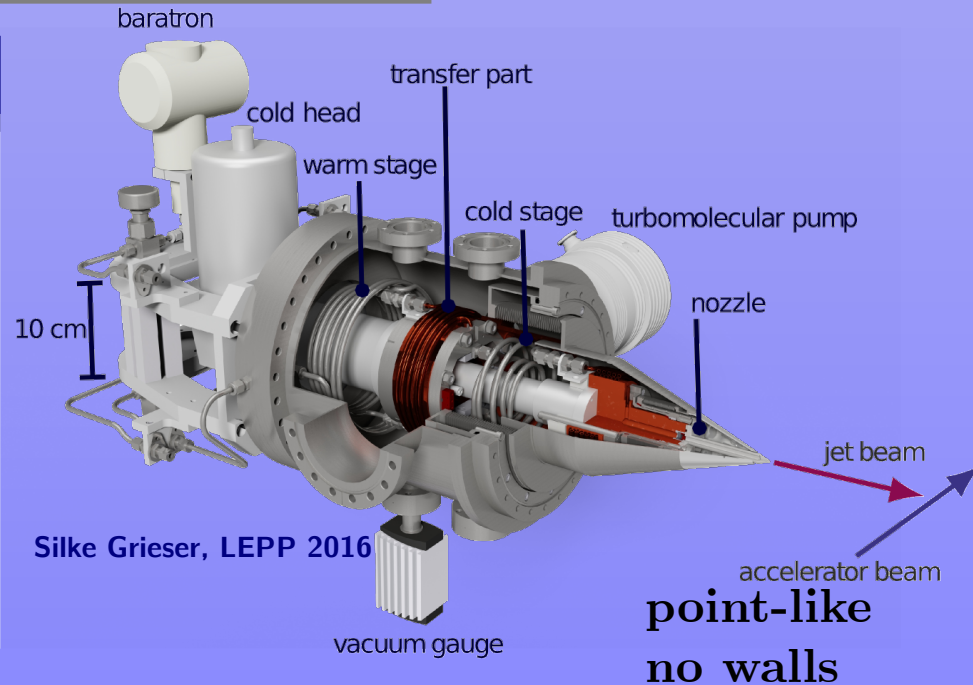
# Initial State Radiation Experiment

## First measurement of $G_E$ down to $Q^2 = 0.001 \text{ GeV}^2$



## planned improvements

- reduce background targetwalls
  - reduce secondary scattering
    - target frame
    - spectrometer entrance structure
- borrow (cluster) jet target of planned MAGIX experiment at MESA

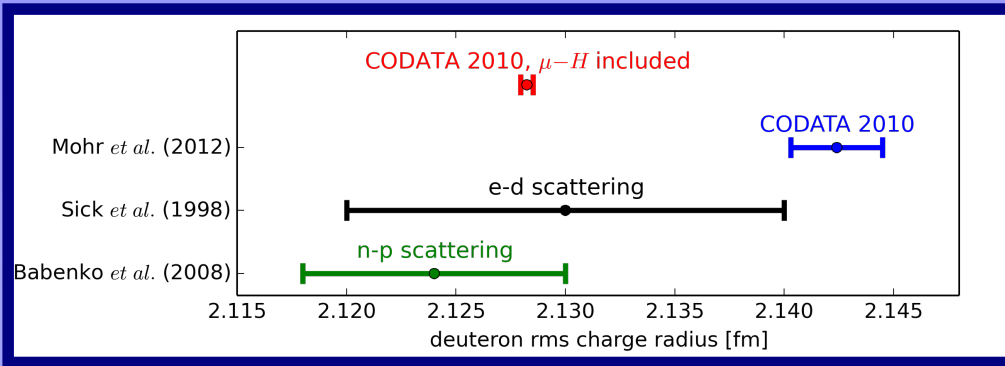




# Deuteron Charge Form Factor

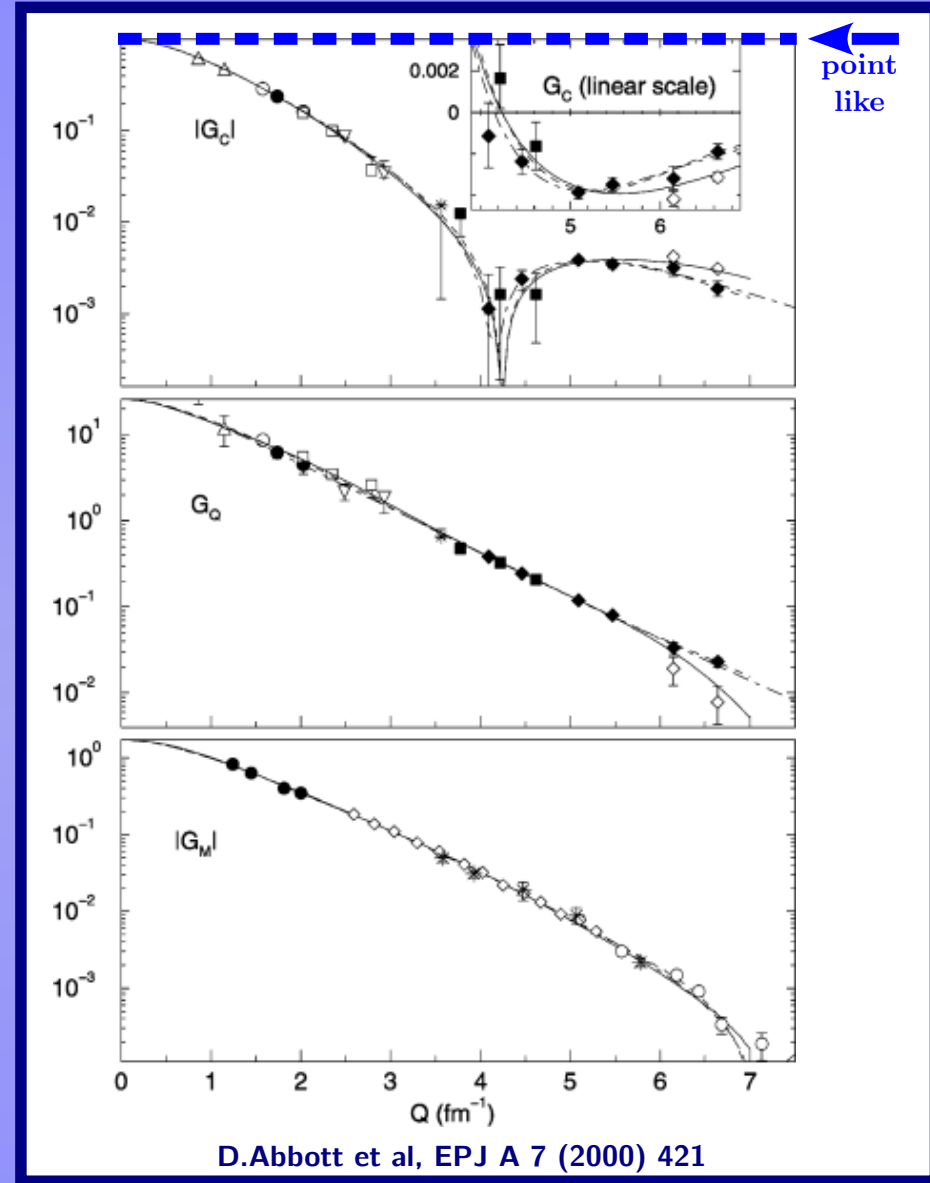
## determination d-radius in e-d scattering

- proton radius puzzle → deuteron radius
  - radius measurement  $\mu\text{D}$  (CREMA)
  - improve e-d scattering result



## MAMI e-d measurement

- elastic e-d scattering
- 3 e.m. form factors:  $G_C$ ,  $G_Q$ ,  $G_M$
- low  $Q^2$ 
  - charge form factor predominates
  - extract deuteron radius

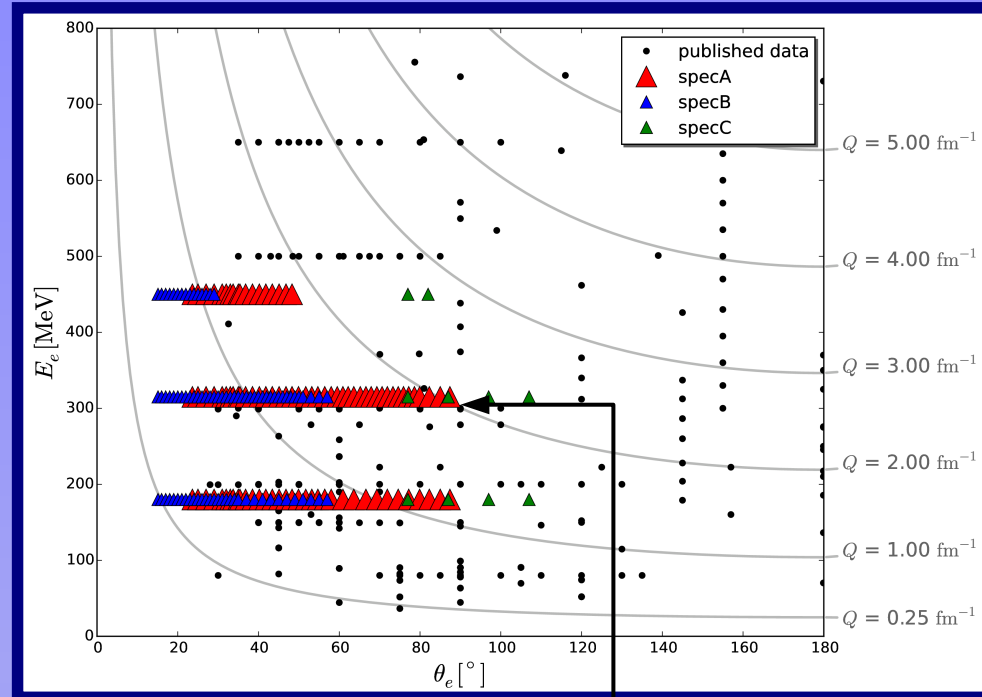
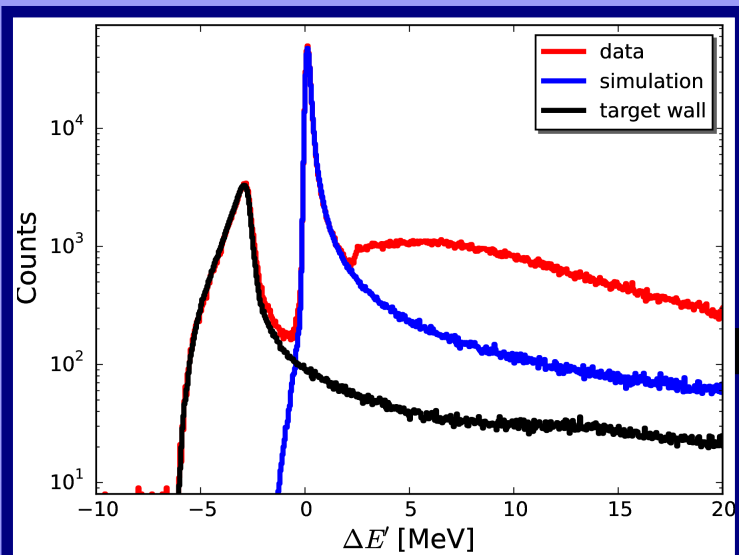
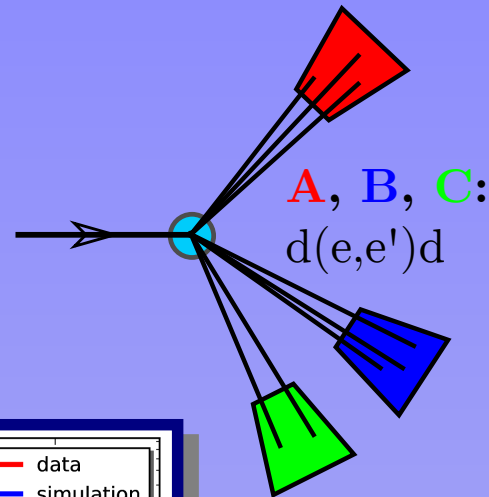


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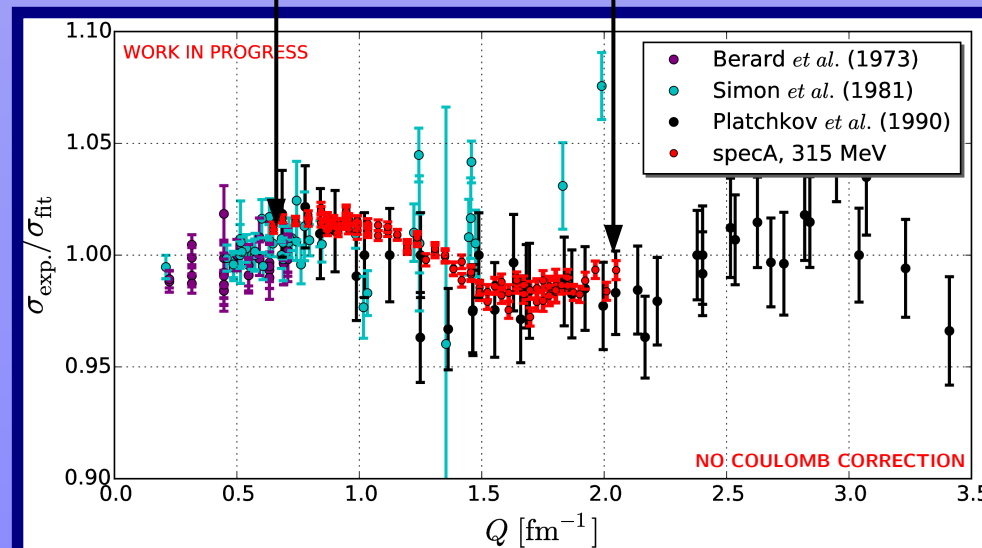
## MAMI $d(e,e')d$ measurement

- 200 settings
- high redundancy
- down to  $Q^2=0.0022 \text{ GeV}^2$



## follow-up experiments

- precise study of  $d$ -breakup reaction
  - deuteron polarizability
- similar  $^3\text{He}$  form factor measurements
  - $\mu$ -He was also measured



# Few-Baryon Systems

## Basic picture of nucleus

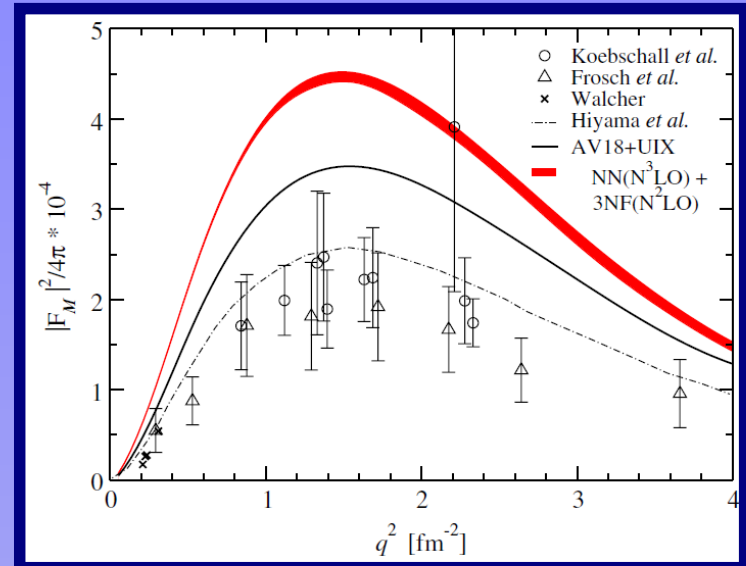
- Non-relativistic system of nucleons
  - interacting via known NN force
  - non-nucleonic d.o.f? rel. effects? ...

## Testing nuclear forces

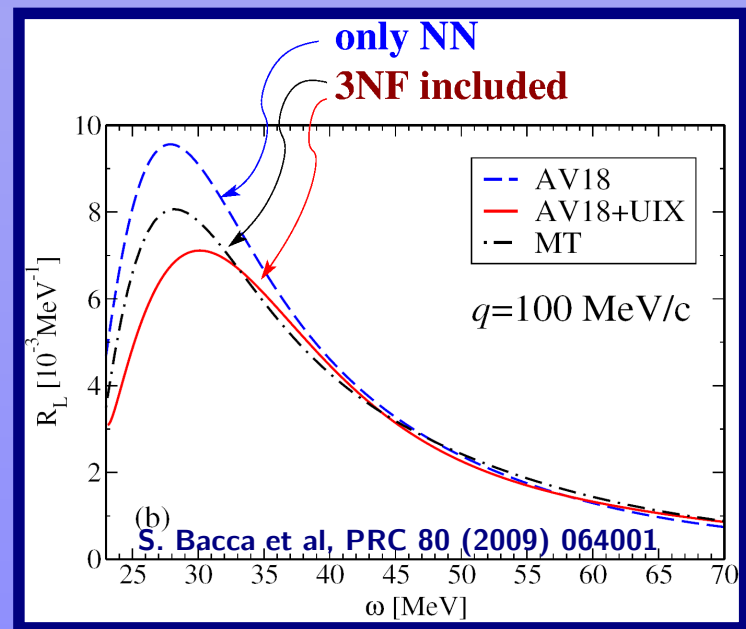
- models/theory/potentials should reproduce basic quantities
- NN
  - binding energies, deuteron radius, ...
  - precise NN potentials available
- 3N forces (naturally enter in EFT)
  - $^3\text{H}$ ,  $^3\text{He}$ , ...

## Observables to test 3NF

- binding energies, ...
- excitation of light nuclei with e.m. probes
  - $^4\text{He}$  transition form factor to resonant state  $0^+$
  - inclusive measurements  $^3\text{He}$ ,  $^4\text{He}$
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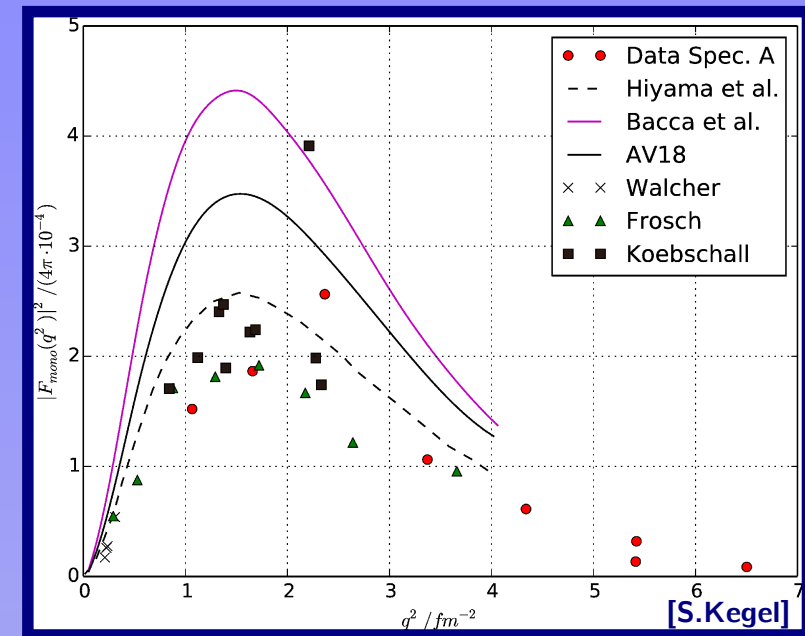
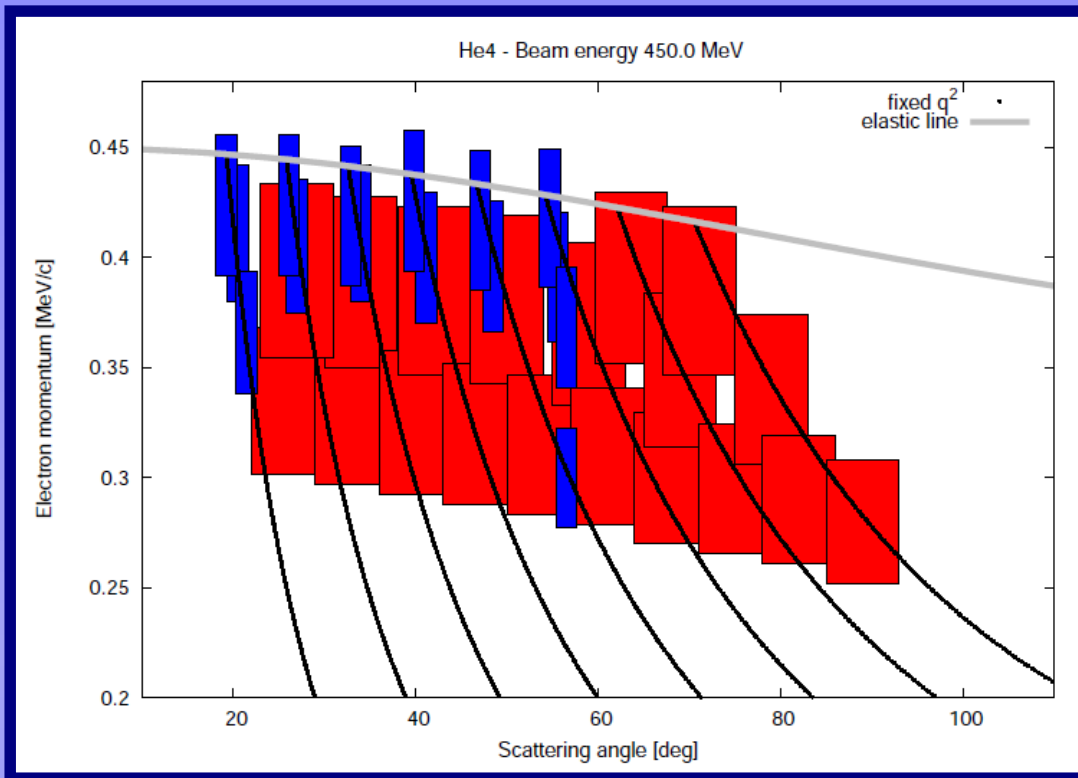


S. Bacca *et al*, PRL 110 (2013) 042503 (2013)



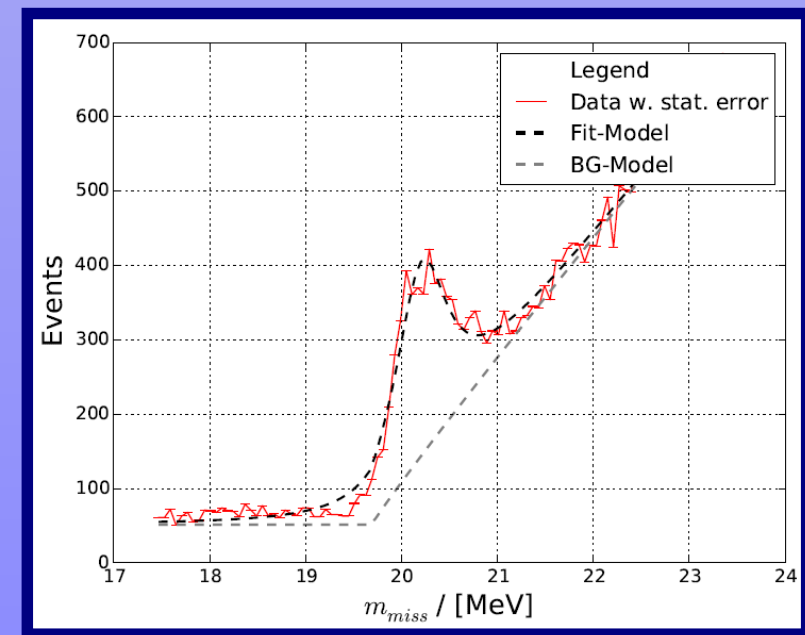
Ab initio calculations (LIT) for longitudinal response function  $e + ^4\text{He} \rightarrow e' + X$

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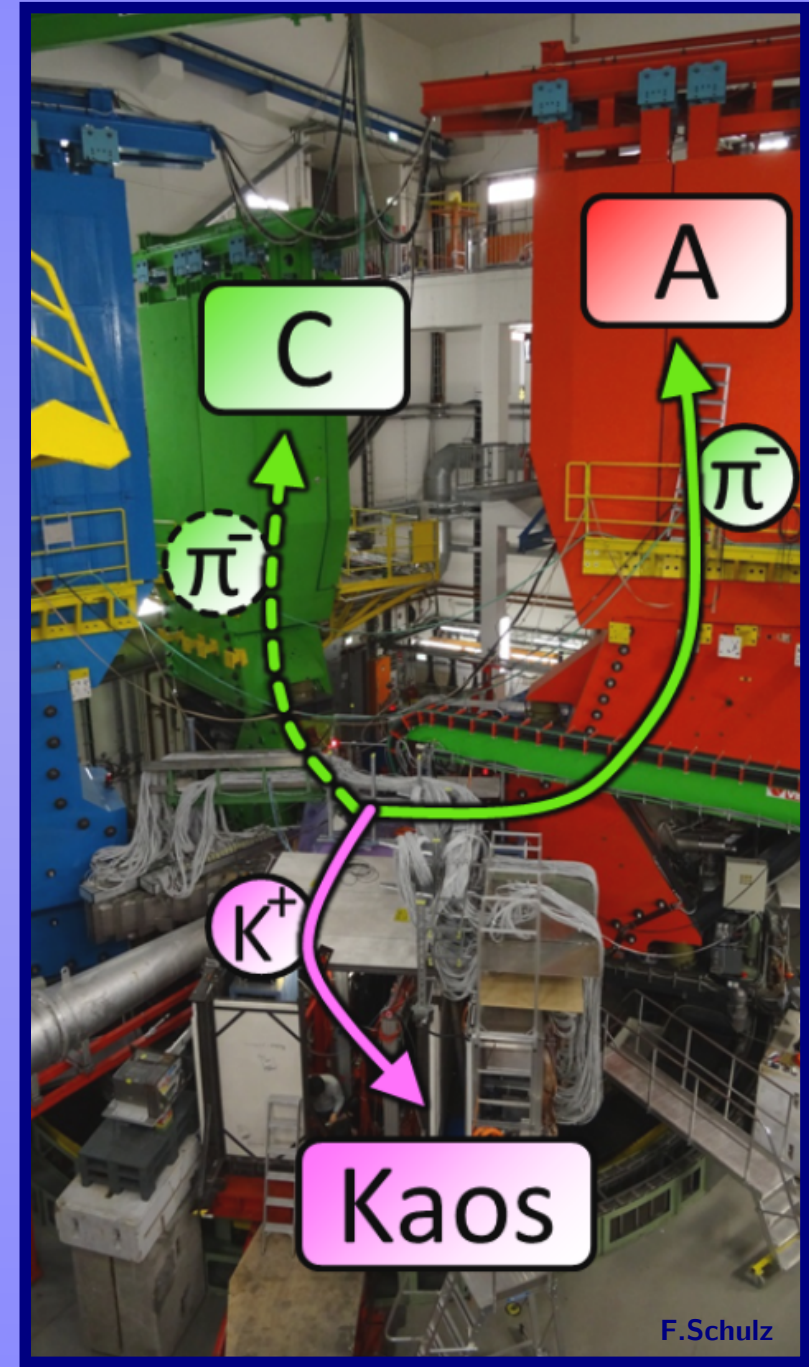
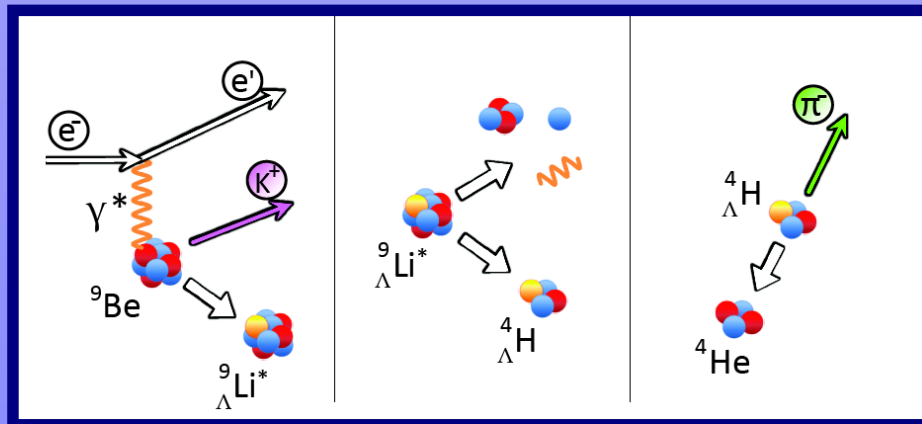
# Few-Baryon Systems: Hypernuclei

## YN interaction, charge symmetry breaking

- new measurement of  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$  binding energy
  - comparison to  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$
  - difference  $\Lambda n$  and  $\Lambda p$  interaction?
  - emulsion data: large difference!  
data quality: not perfect

## pion decay spectroscopy

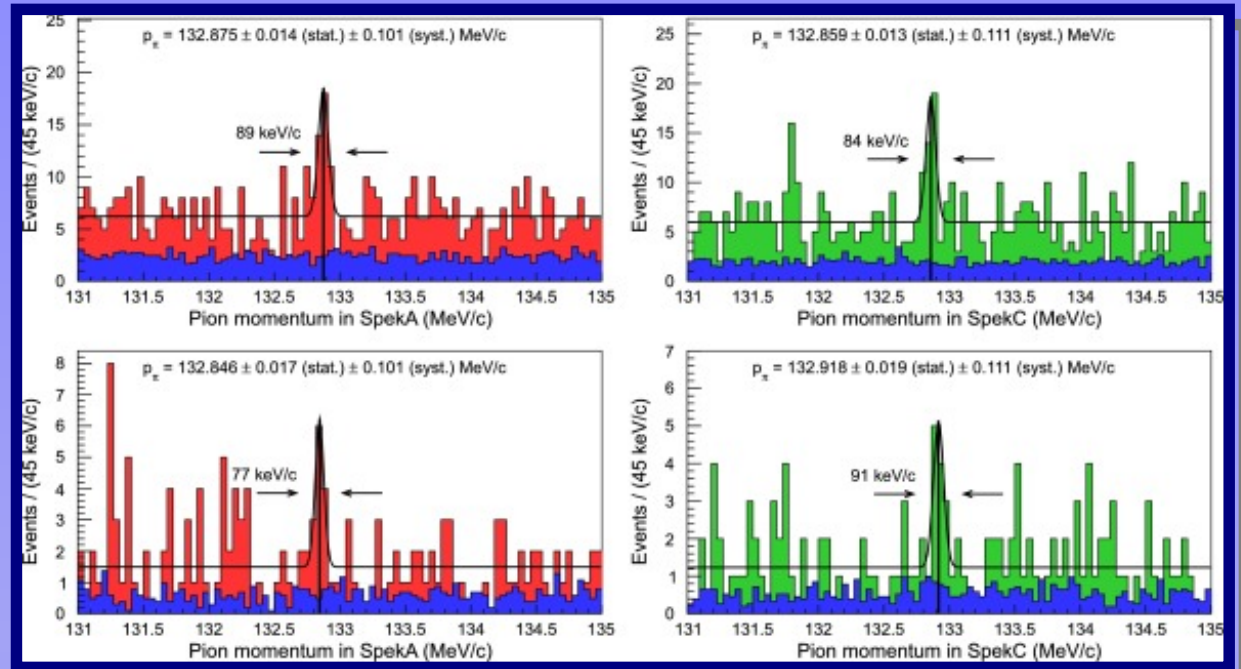
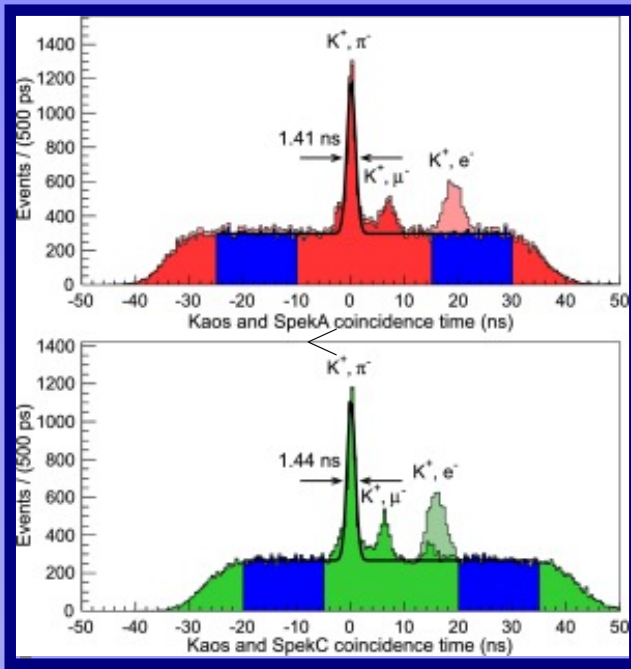
- production of  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$
- pionic two-body decay
- coincident detection of
  - $\text{K}^+$  (strangness tagging)
  - $\pi^-$  (decay product)
- momentum measurement of  $\pi^-$ 
  - $\Lambda$  binding energy  ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$



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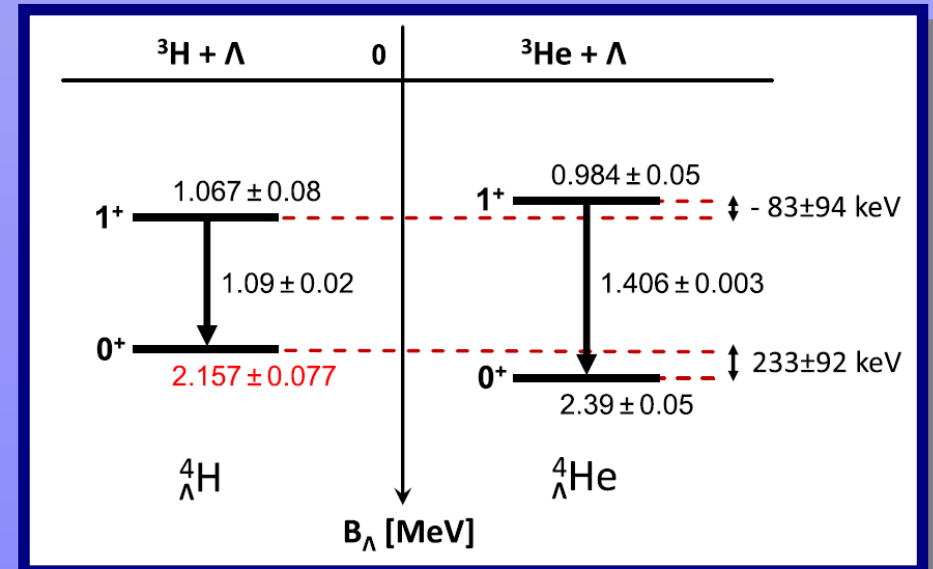


## results 2012, 2014 data

- large charge symmetry breaking effect confirmed
- reduction systematics (absolute momentum calibration!) ongoing

A.Esser, S.Nagao, F.Schulz et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 114 (2015) 232501

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# Dark photon search

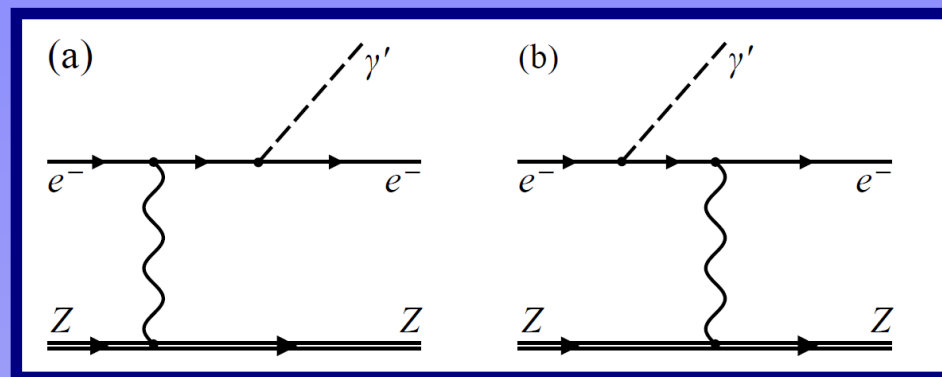
## Dark photon search

- Radiative production of a Dark Photon

$$e + Z \rightarrow e + Z + \gamma'$$

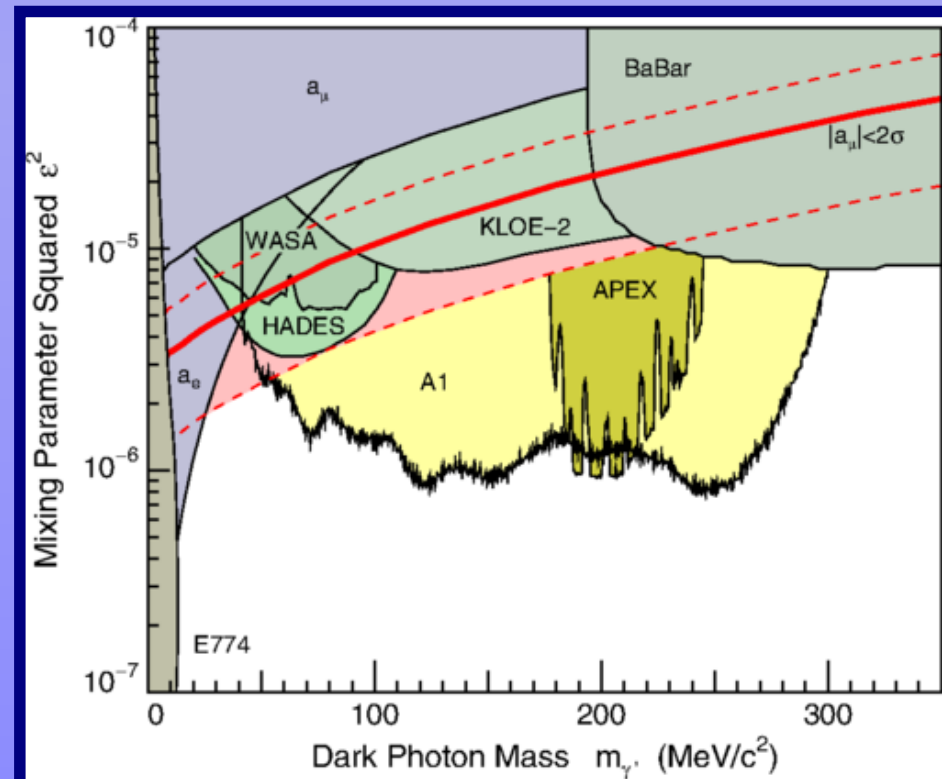
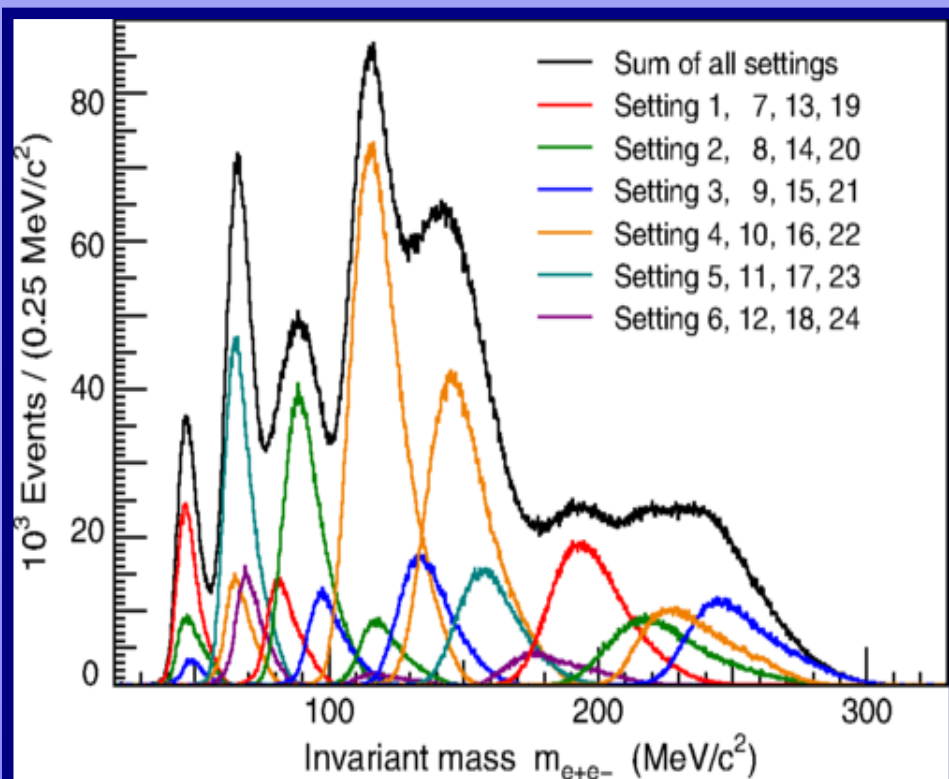
$$\downarrow e^+ + e^-$$

- Detection of the decay to lepton pair with high resolution spectrometers A, B



H. Merkel et al, PRL 112 (2014) 221802

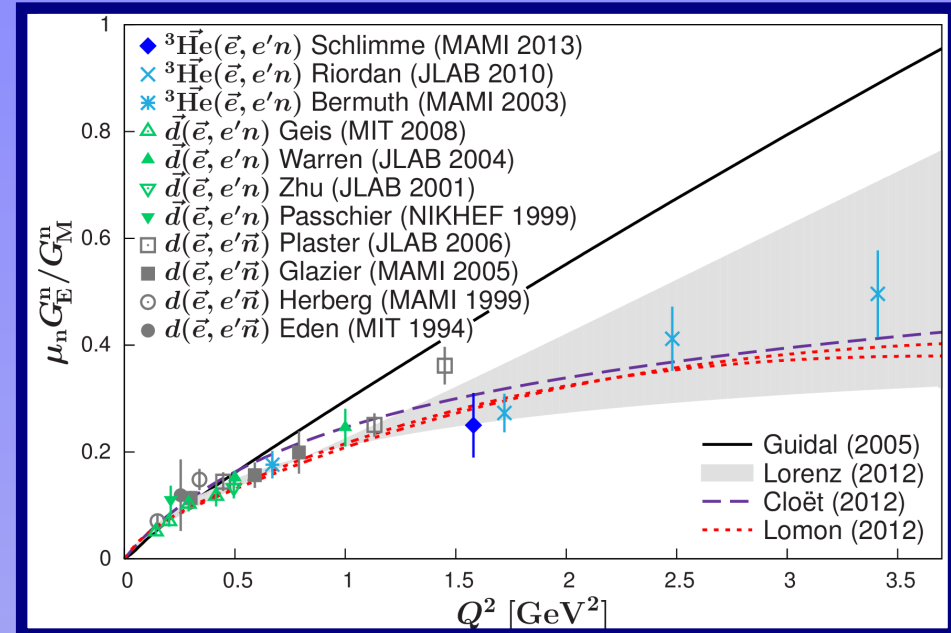
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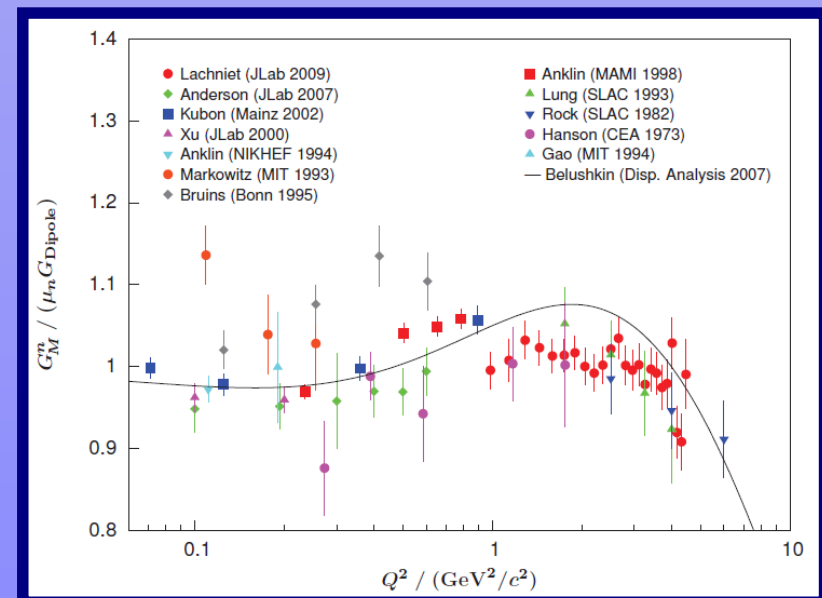
# Neutron Form Factors

## Experimental complications

- no free neutron target
    - eff. target (D,  $^3\text{He}$ ), binding effects, large proton background  $\rightarrow$  neutron det.
  - $G_M^n$ : cross section measurement, but neutron det. efficiency
  - $G_E^n \ll G_M^n$ 
    - double polarization observables
      - polarized target
      - neutron recoil polarization
- $\rightarrow G_E^n / G_M^n$



B.S. Schlimme et al, PRL 111 (2013) 132504



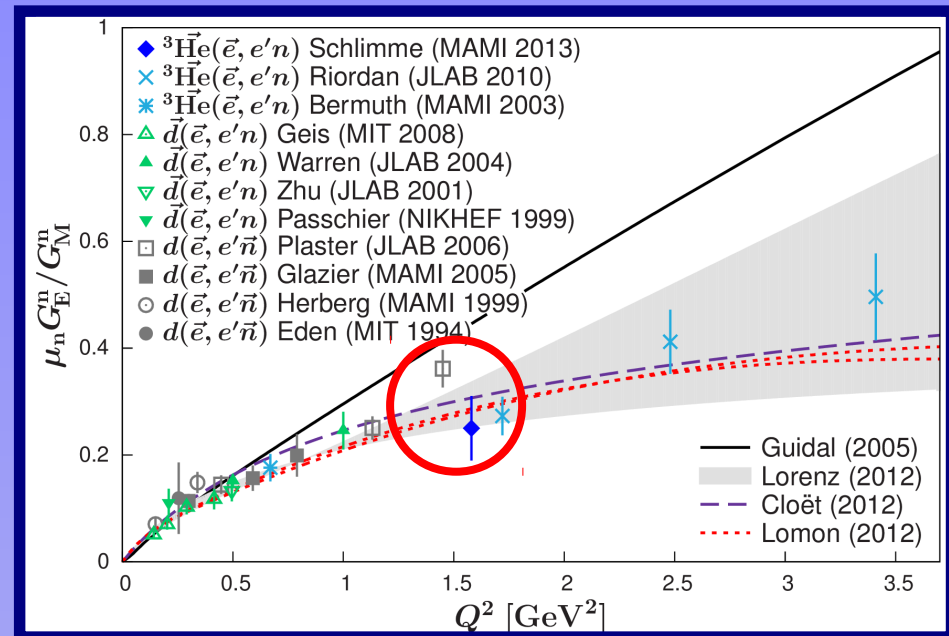
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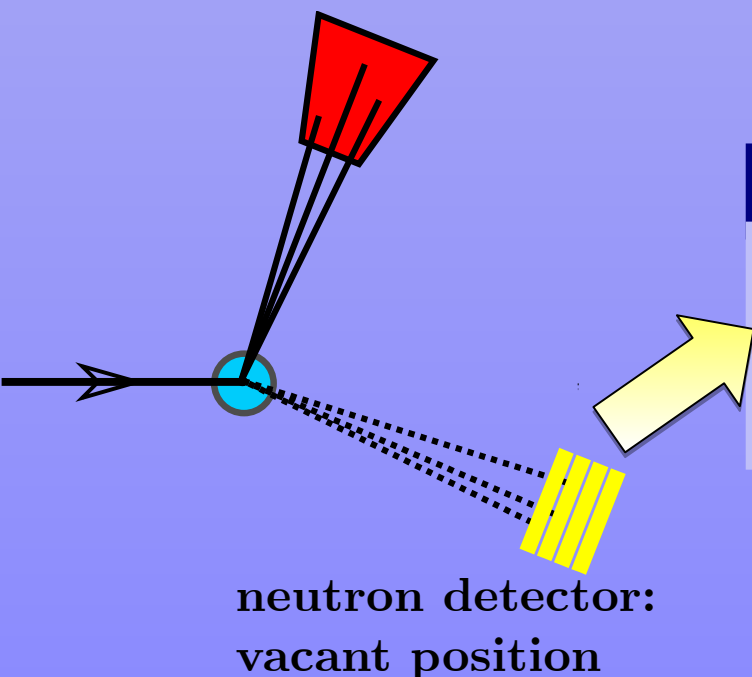
- tension between deuteron and helium data at  $1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

	${}^3\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'n)$	$d(\vec{e}, e'n)$
JLAB	2011	2006
MAMI	2013	×

- consistent measurements  $Q^2=0.2 - 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ 
  - $G_E^n / G_M^n$  asymmetry measurements
  - $G_M^n$  (rel.) cross sections

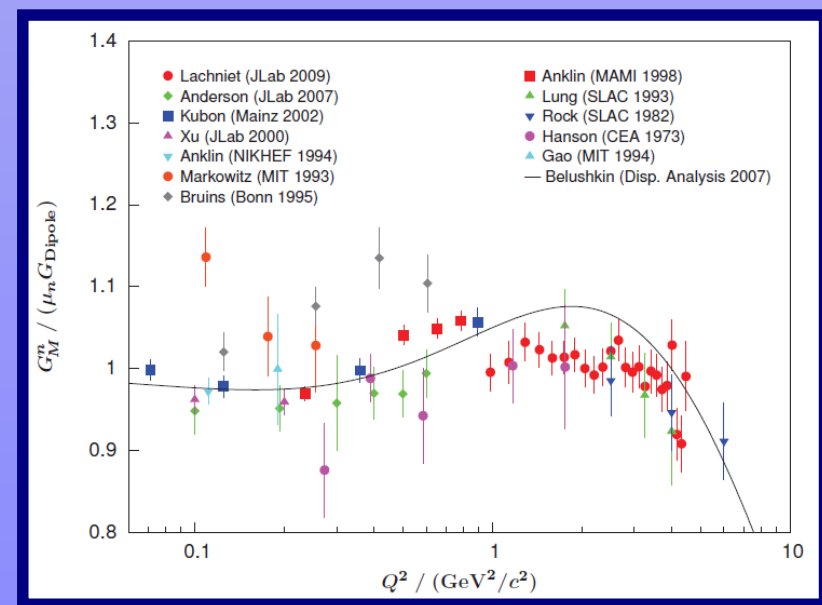


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## neutron detector

- multi purpose
- high efficiency
- high rate cap.
- high resolution



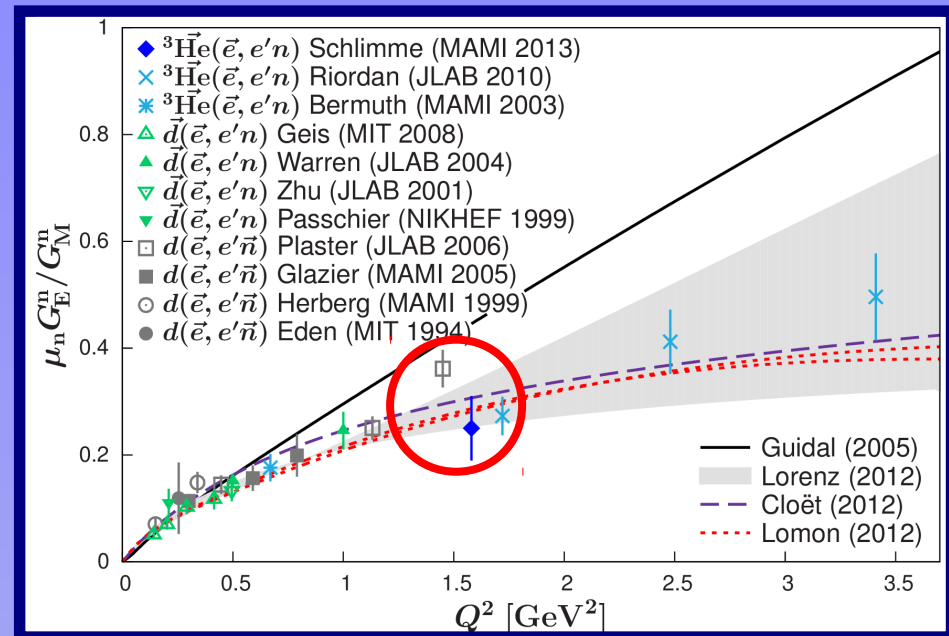
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	${}^3\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'n)$	$d(\vec{e}, e'n)$
JLAB	2011	2006
MAMI	2013	×

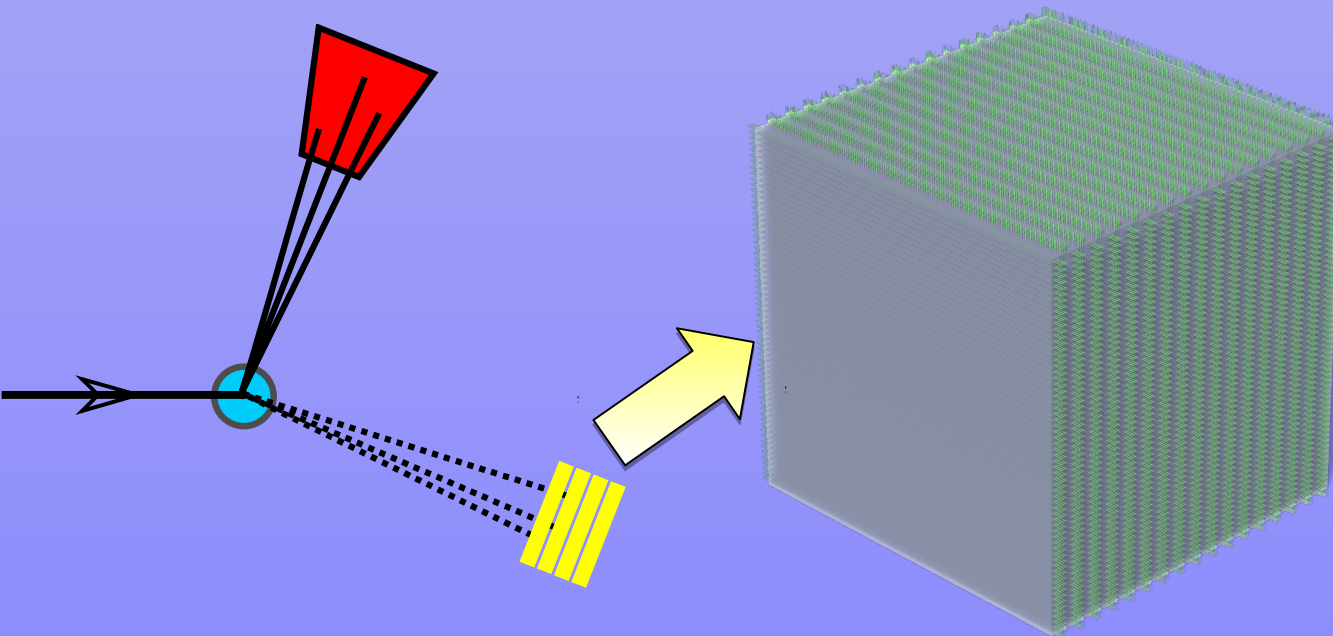
- consistent measurements  $Q^2=0.2 - 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ 
  - $G_E^n / G_M^n$  asymmetry measurements
  - $G_M^n$  (rel.) cross sections



B.S. Schlimme et al, PRL 111 (2013) 132504

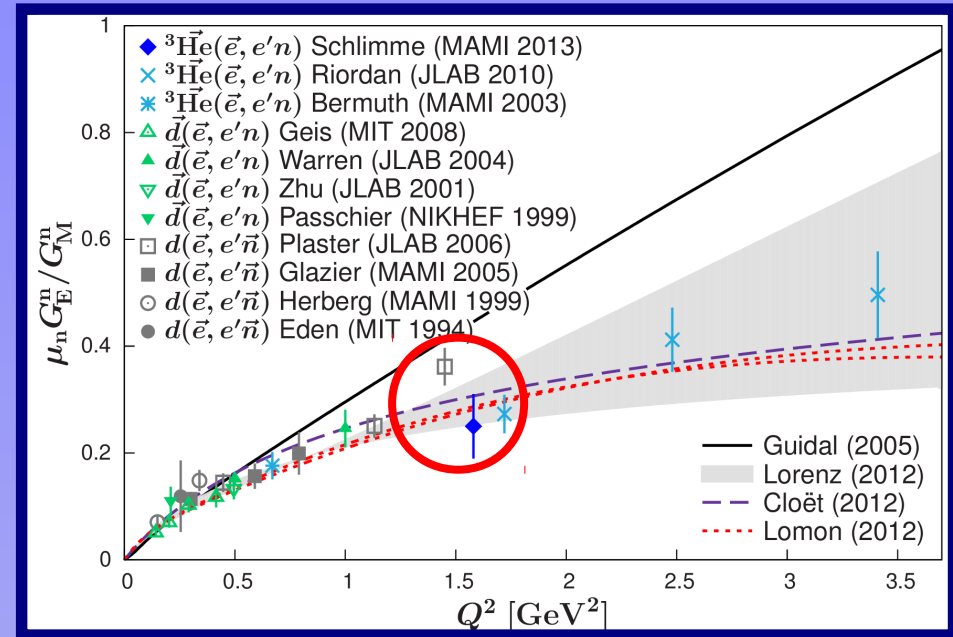
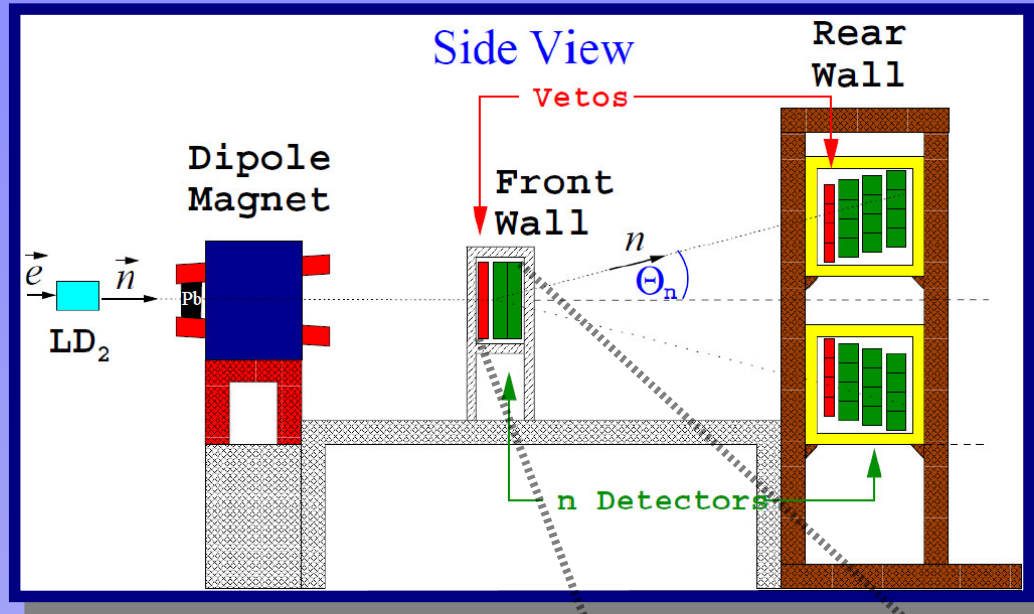
## initial concept

- $1 \text{ m}^3$
- liquid scintillator
- high segmentation
  - 4500 channels
- wave length shifting fibers
- SiPMTs / MaPMTs





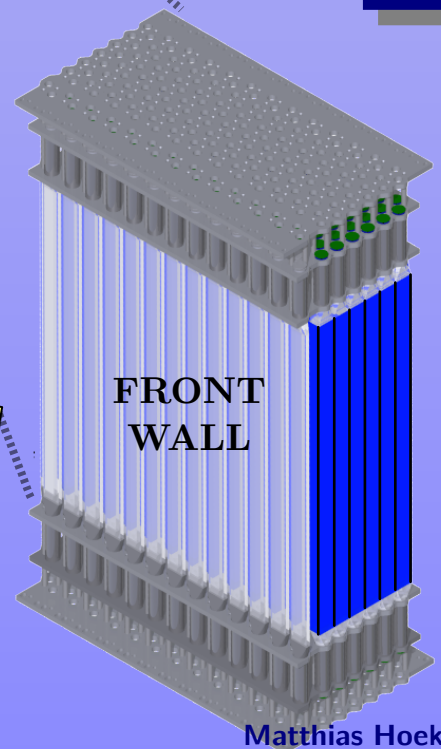
# Neutron Form Factors



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## final design

- 300 bars × 2PMTs
  - scintillator: EJ-200
  - PMT: 9142SB
- NINO discriminator card
- TDC readout board
- resolutions 15mm, 160ps
- (multi purpose)
- optimize for  $G_E^n / G_M^n$



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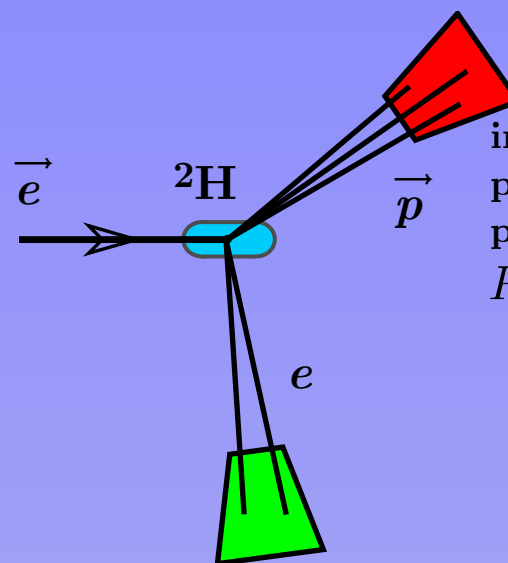
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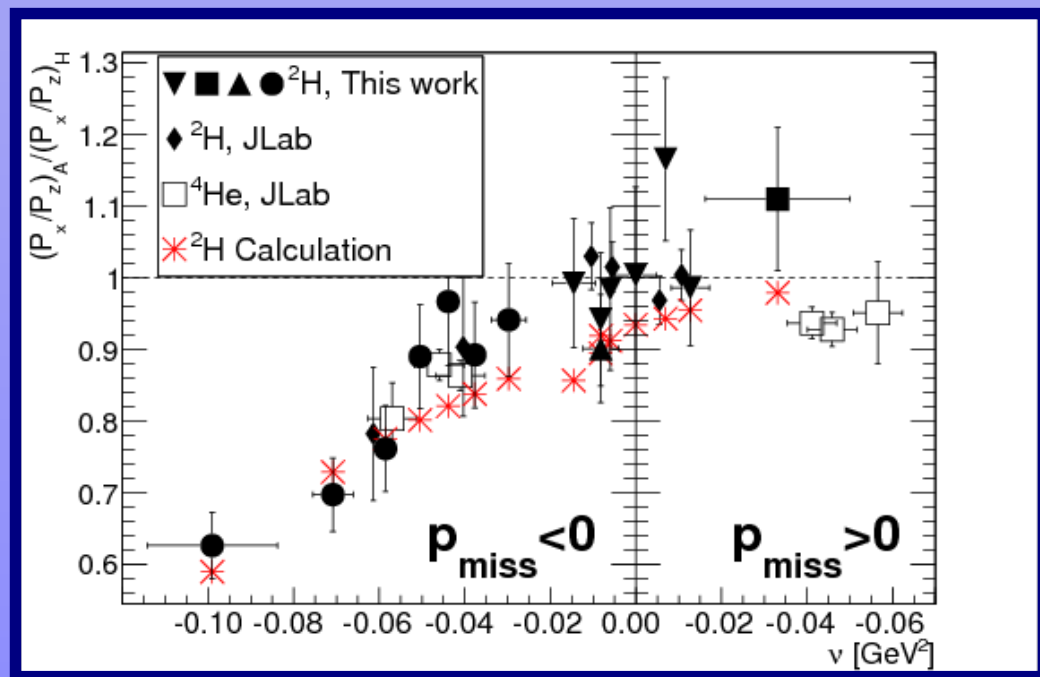
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## ongoing

- analysis  $^{12}\text{C}$  (data taken)
- further data  $^2\text{H}$



including focal plane polarimeter;  
proton recoil polarization:  
 $P_x/P_z \propto G_E/G_M$



I.Yaron et al, arXiv:1602.06104 [nucl-ex]

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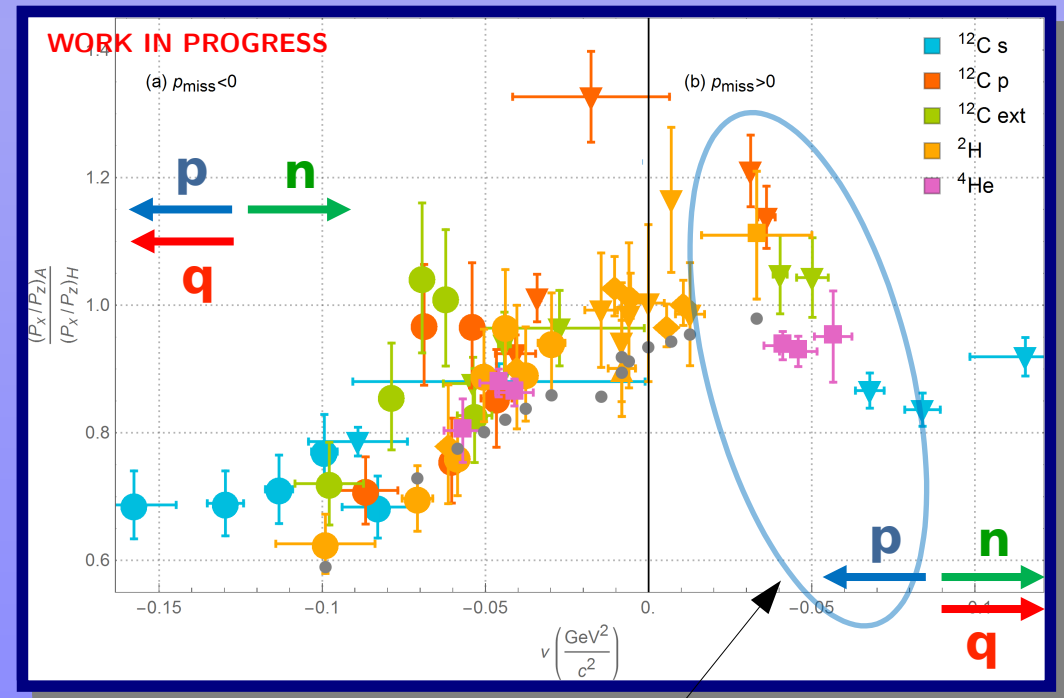
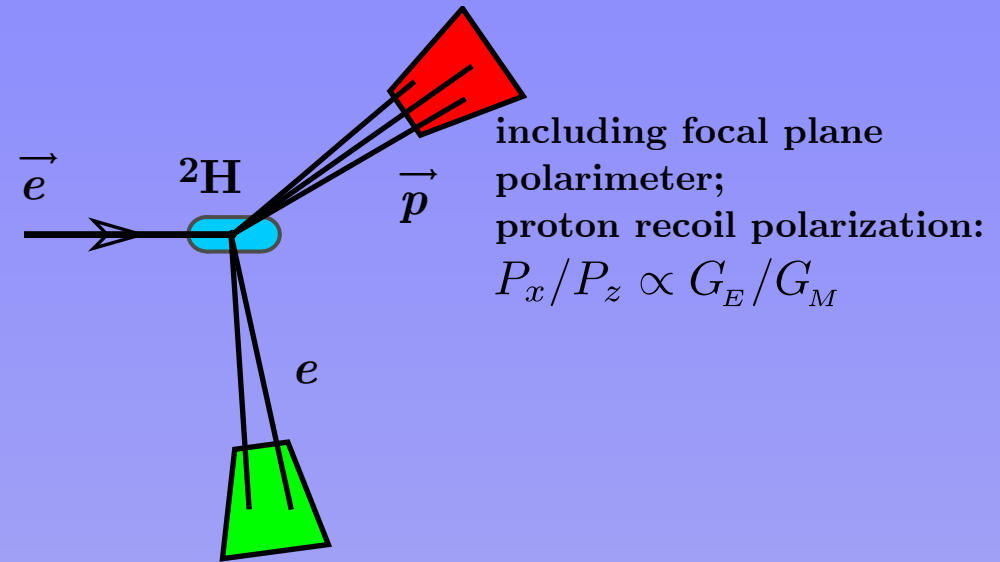
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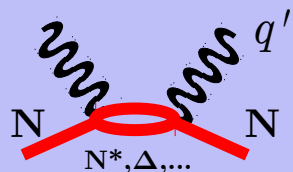
additional  $^2\text{H}$  data here

# Nucleon polarizabilities

## nucleon polarizabilities: from $\gamma$ to $\gamma^*$

reaction of nucleon under influence of EM field

**Real**  
Compton Scattering



at  $q'=0$ : proton in applied EM field

induced dipole:

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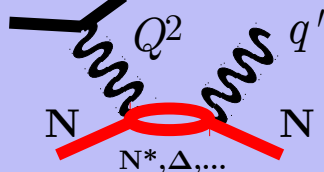
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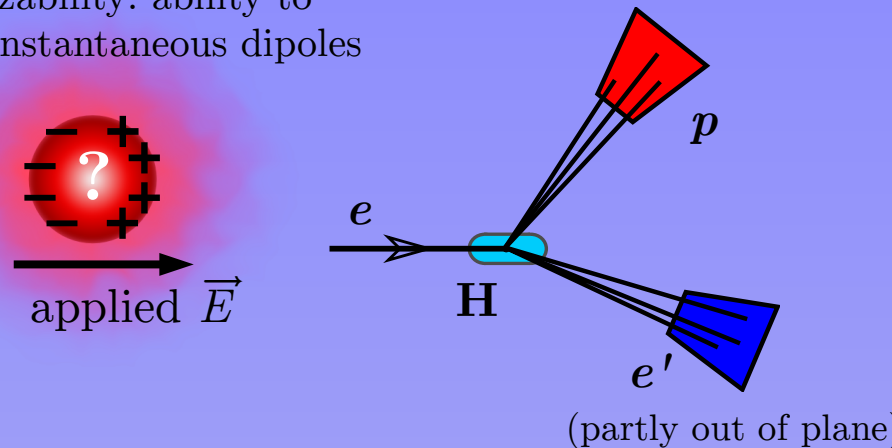
generalized polariz.:

$$\alpha_E(Q^2)$$

$$\beta_M(Q^2)$$

- *form factor meas. in external field*
- Fourier transform of local distr. of polarizabilities

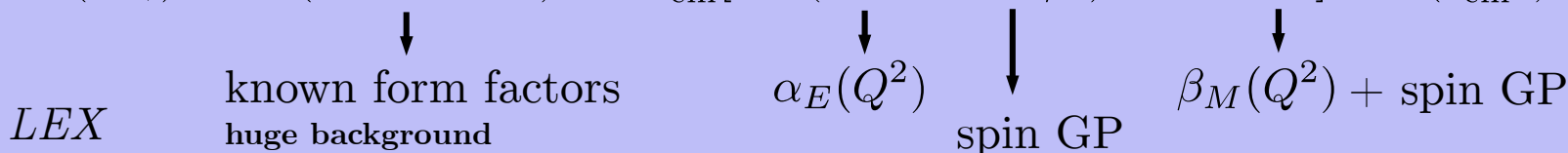
Polarizability: ability to form instantaneous dipoles



## GP determination

- measure  $d\sigma(ep\gamma)$ , different kinematics
- Analysis techniques:
  - Low Energy eXpansion
    - subtract BH+Born
    - separate structure functions
    - fix spin GP
  - Dispersion Relations (model dep.)
    - fit parameters  $\Lambda_\alpha, \Lambda_\beta$  to measured cross section

$$d\sigma(ep\gamma) = d\sigma(\text{BH} + \text{Born}) + \Phi q'_{\text{cm}} [\nu_{\text{LL}}(P_{\text{LL}} - P_{\text{TT}}/\epsilon) + \nu_{\text{LT}}P_{\text{LT}}] + \mathcal{O}(q'_{\text{cm}}{}^2)$$

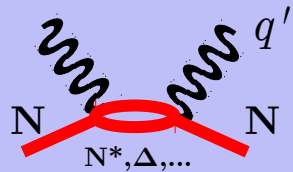


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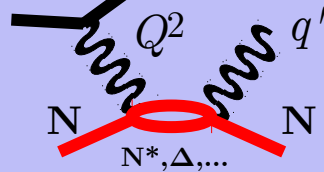
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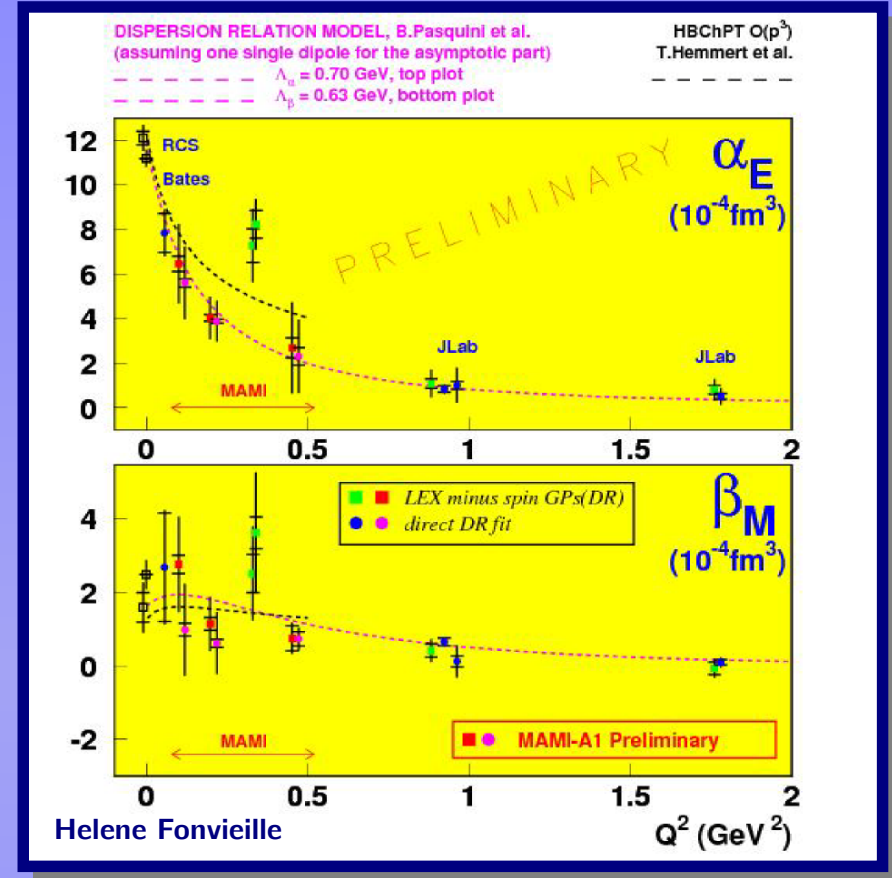
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## Double polarization observables

- linear combination of GPs via other structure function;  $Q^2=0.33 \text{ GeV}^2$

L. Doria et al., PRC 92 (2015) 054307



## "vcsq2": 3 new MAMI points (prelim.)

- $Q^2$ -behavior  $\alpha_E$ : single dipole
- puzzle remains in  $Q^2=0.33 \text{ GeV}^2$  region
  - reanalyze (DR); new data

## "vcsdelta": in $W=\Delta(1232)$ region

- $\alpha_E(0.2 \text{ GeV}^2)$ , analysis ongoing



# Parity-Violating Electron Scattering + Related

Long term plan in Mainz:

## Neutron skin in heavy nuclei

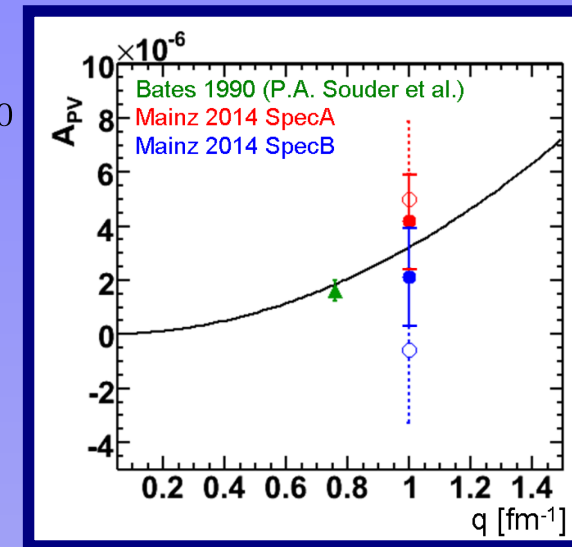
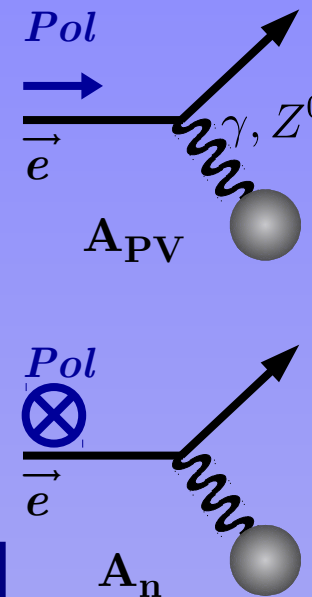
- Difference between neutron and proton rms-radii inside nucleus
  - Important impact on nuclear theory, e.g. unique experimental constraint on symmetry energy of nuclear Equation Of State (EOS)
- $A_{PV} = \frac{\sigma^{h+} - \sigma^{h-}}{\sigma^{h+} + \sigma^{h-}} \propto F_{\text{weak}}(Q^2)$   
sensitive to radius of neutron distribution (PREX)

## First $A_{PV}$ experiment at A1

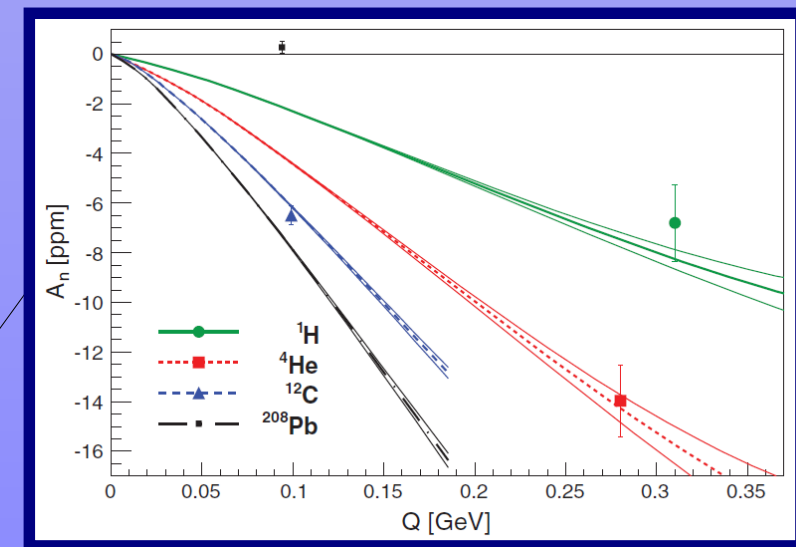
- PVES on  $^{12}\text{C}$  (1.8 cm target thickness!)
- Spectrometers to select elastic events
  - Quartz-Cherenkov detectors (high rates)
- Electronics of former A4 experiment
- It was demonstrated, for the first time by the A1 collaboration, that PV experiments are tough!

## Beam-normal single spin asymmetry $A_n \gg A_{PV}$

- Interference one- and multi-photon exchange terms
- Important background of PVES
- Unexpected feature:  $^{208}\text{Pb}$



beam polarization  $\rightarrow$  transverse component  $\rightarrow$

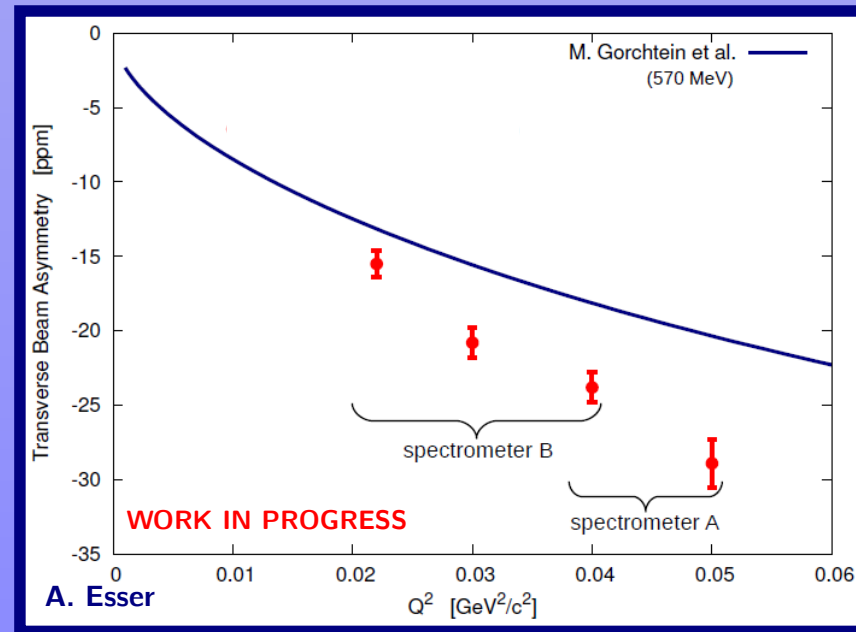
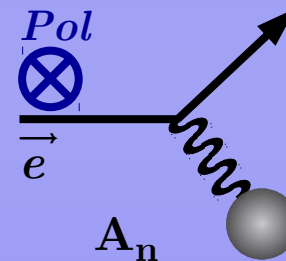
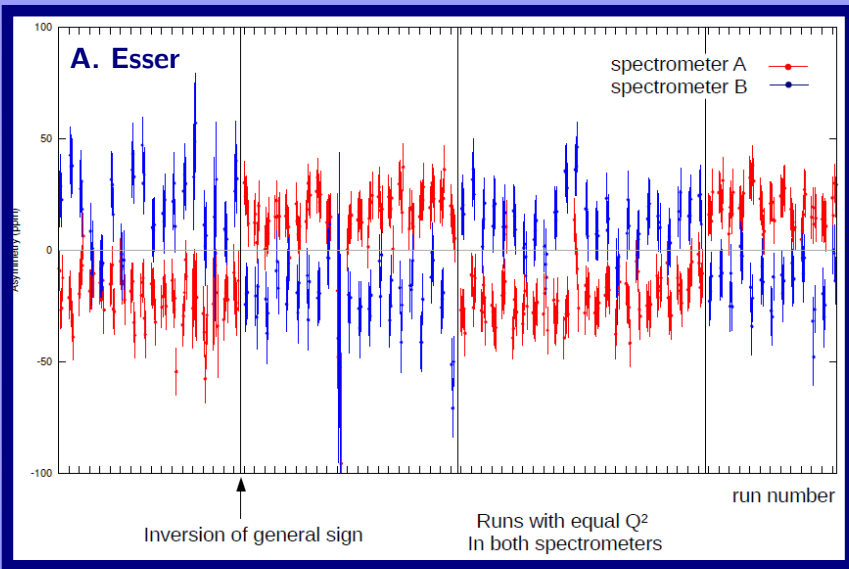
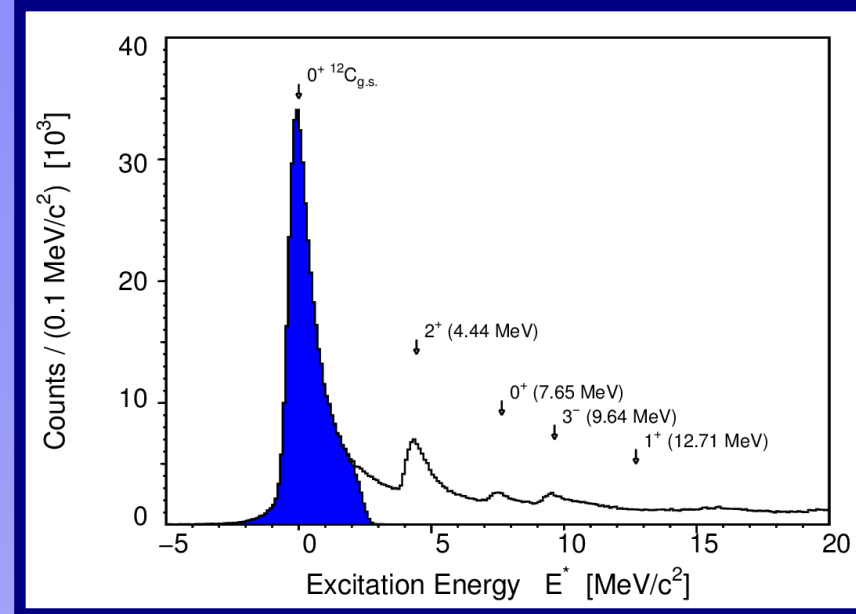


S.Abrahamyan et al, PRL 109 (2012) 192501

# Parity-Violating Electron Scattering + Related

## Beam-normal single spin asymmetry

- MAMI measurement:
  - $^{12}\text{C}$ , 4 different  $Q^2$  values
  - analysis ongoing, promising!



## possible continuation of program

- $^{12}\text{C}$ , energy dependence (fixed  $Q^2$ )
- Z dependence
  - $^{28}\text{Si}$ ,  $^{40}\text{Ca}$ , ( $^{208}\text{Pb}$ )

# Summary

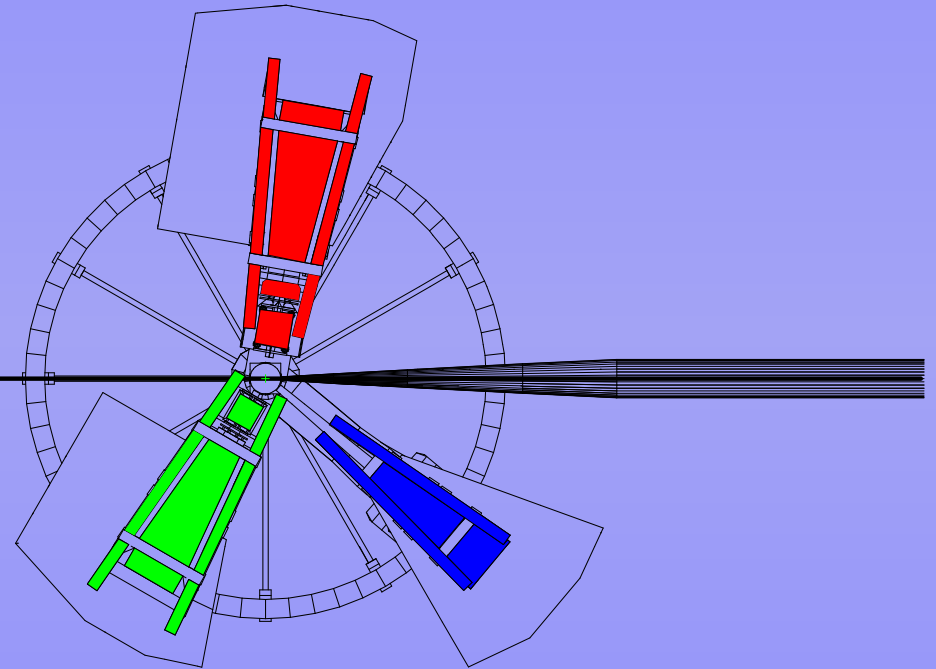
MAMI

$e, e^-$   $\rightarrow$  ~~low beam quality~~  
~~medium beam quality~~  
high beam quality  $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow \otimes$  80% Pol 160 MeV - 1.6 GeV 0 - 100  $\mu$ A



## A1 spectrometer hall

- 3  $\times$  High Resolution Spectrometer
- 1  $\times$  Pion Spectrometer
- 1  $\times$  Kaon Spectrometer
- Various additional detector systems
- Various targets



## experimental studies

- proton structure
- neutron structure
- in-medium modifications
- structure of light nuclei
- dark photon search
- pion production
- strangeness production



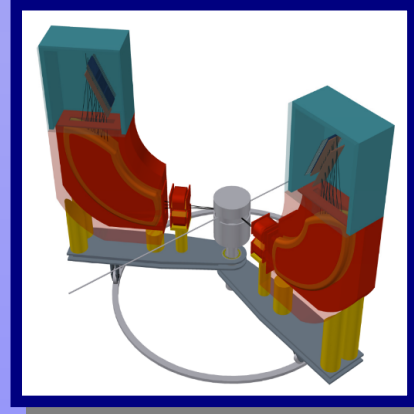
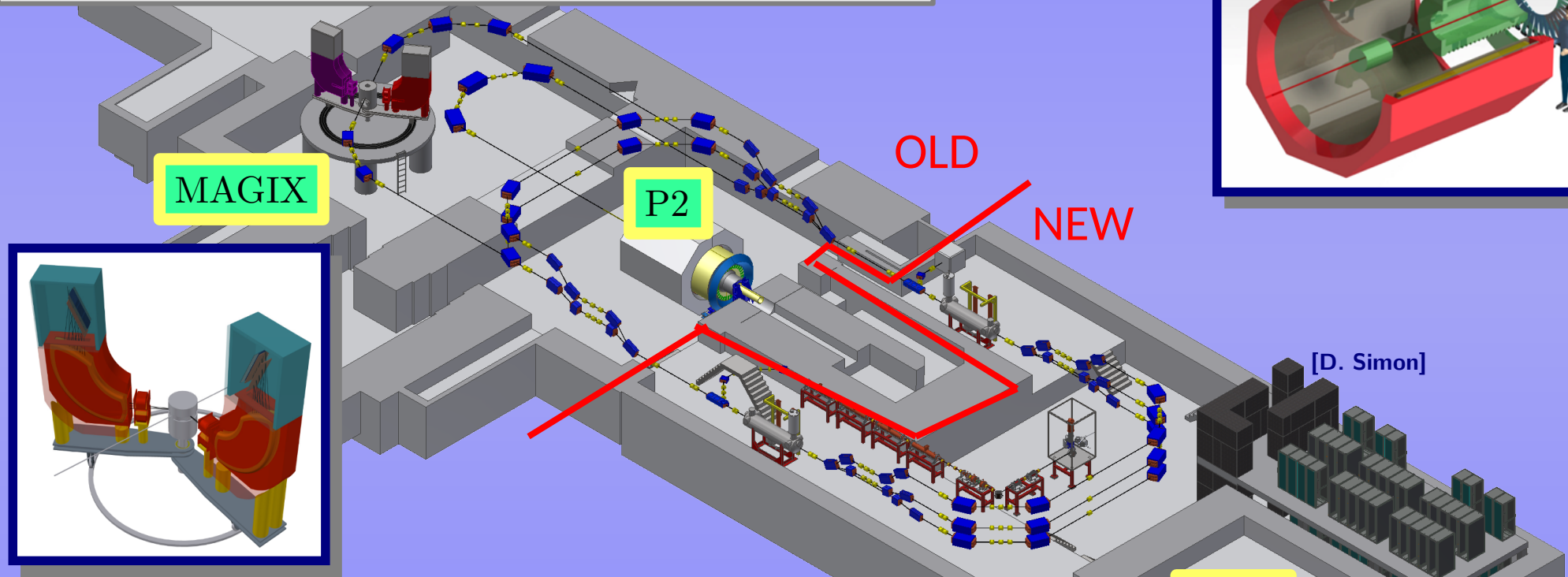
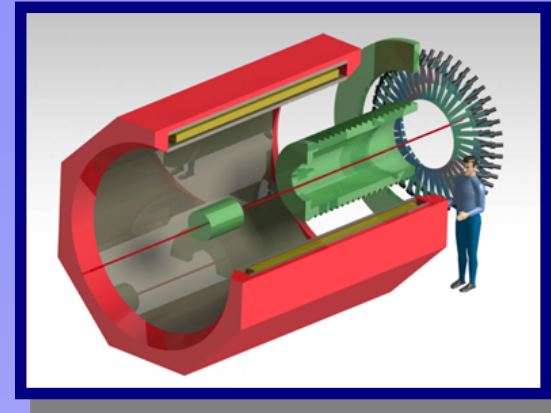
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Ceremonial opening of MAMI B,  
Completion of the new hall for  
experiments of collaboration A1

# Outlook - MESA

Mainz Energy-Recovering Superconducting Accelerator will be world's first superconducting energy-recovering accelerator dedicated to research  
*"The operating costs of MESA can thus be reduced significantly"*  
**ERL mode:** 105 MeV, 1mA (later 10) unpolarized beam → MAGIX  
**EB mode:** 155 MeV, 0.15mA polarized external beam → P2

**P2:** 0.13% measurement of  $\sin^2\theta_W$   
**MREX:** neutron skin studies



**MesA Gas Internal target eXperiment:**  
Search for dark photons  
Nucleon form factors  
Nucleon polarizabilities  
Few body physics  
Nuclear reactions with astrophysical relevance

**Beam Dump eXperiment**  
Search for particles of the dark sector

*Thank you!*