

The PRad experiment at JLab

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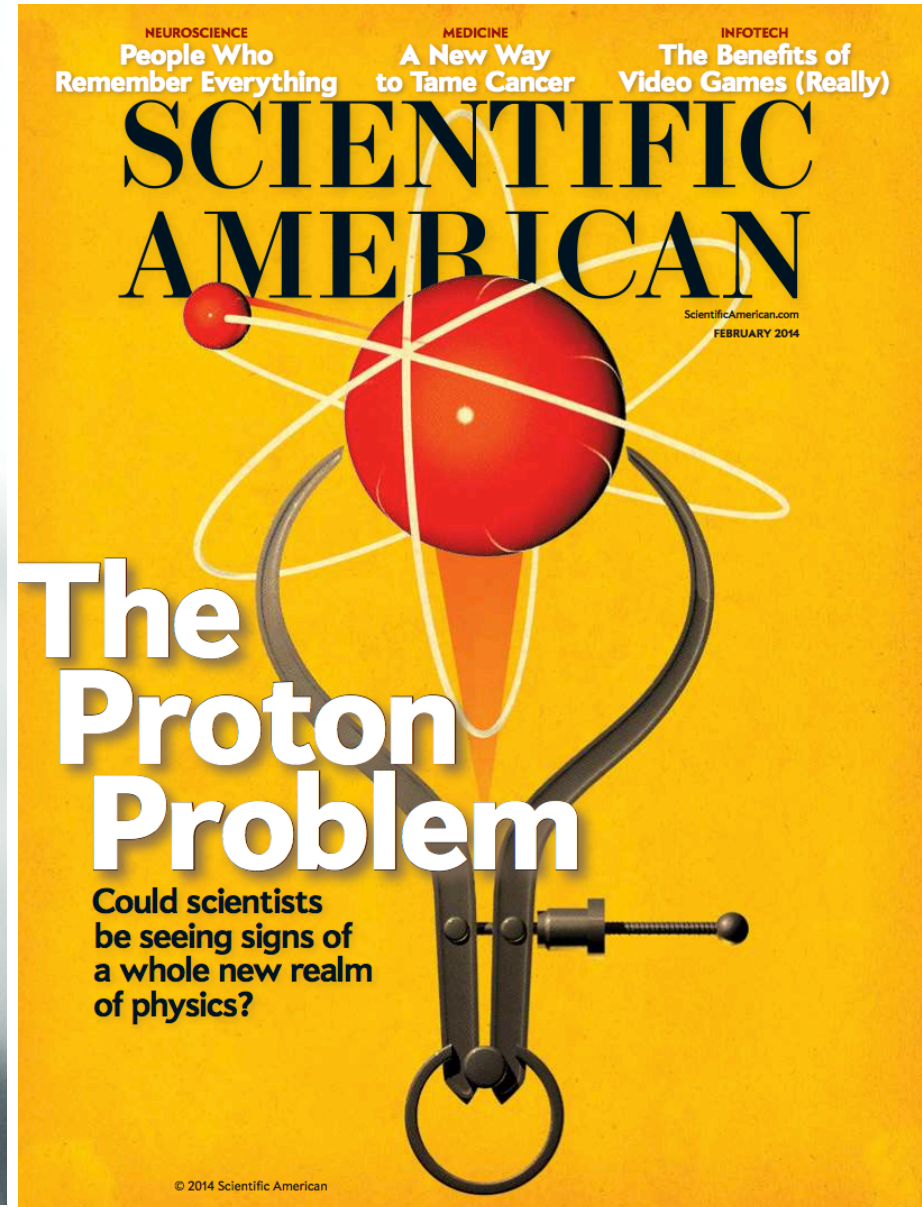
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Proton Radius Puzzle



Motivation for precise information on proton radius

- A fundamental static property of the nucleon
 - Important for understanding how QCD works
 - Challenge to Lattice QCD (exciting new results, Alexandrou et al.)
- An important physics input to the bound state QED calculations, affects muonic H Lamb shift ($2S_{1/2} - 2P_{1/2}$) by as much as 2%
- Lamb Shift ($2S_{1/2} - 2P_{1/2}$) measurements are becoming more and more precise
- High precision tests of QED?
 - Needs inputs from electron scattering experiments on proton radius
- Turning things around one can determine proton radius using QED and Lamb shift measurements

Methods for measuring proton charge radius

- Electron-proton elastic scattering to determine electric form factor (Nuclear Physics)

$$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle} = \sqrt{-6 \frac{dF(\vec{q})}{dq^2} \Big|_{q^2=0}}$$

- Spectroscopy (Atomic physics)
 - Hydrogen Lamb shift
 - Muonic Hydrogen Lamb shift

Unpolarized electron-nucleon scattering

(Rosenbluth Separation)

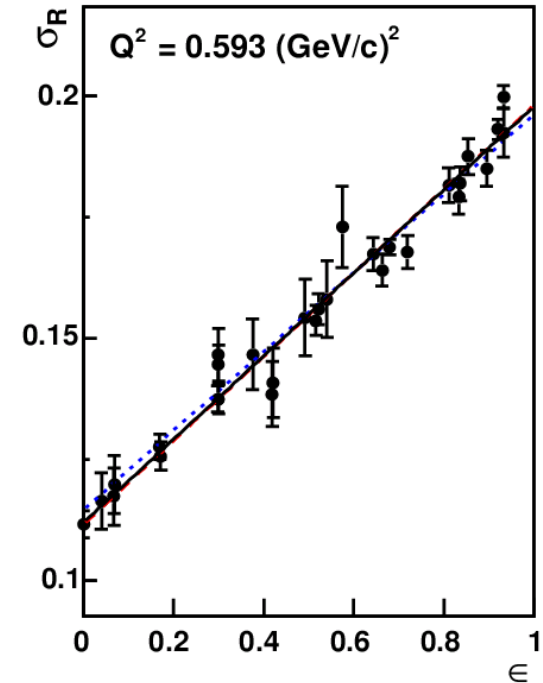
- Elastic e-p cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{4E^2 \sin^4 \frac{\theta}{2}} \frac{E'}{E} \left(\frac{G_E^{p,2} + \tau G_M^{p,2}}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^{p,2} \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

$$= \sigma_M f_{rec}^{-1} \left(A + B \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

- At fixed Q^2 , fit $d\sigma/d\Omega$ vs. $\tan^2(\theta/2)$

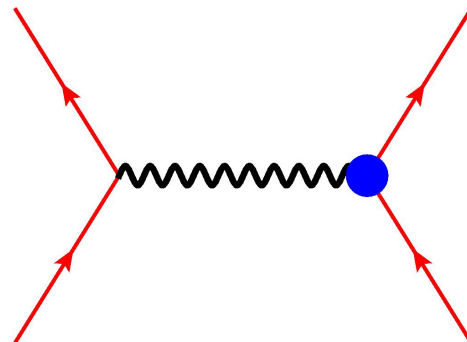
- Measurement of absolute cross section
- Dominated by either G_E or G_M**
 - Low Q^2 by G_E
 - High Q^2 by G_M



$$\sigma_R = \tau G_M^2 + \epsilon G_E^2$$

$$\tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}$$

$$\epsilon = (1 + 2(1 + \tau) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2})^{-1}$$



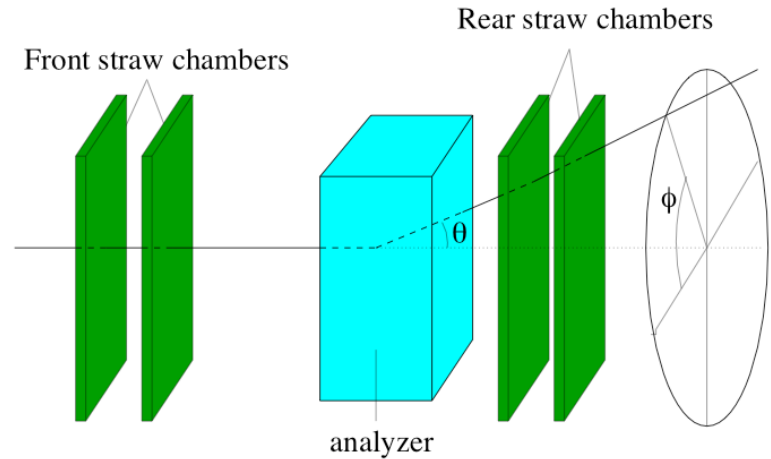
super Rosenbluth Separation

Recoil proton polarization measurement from e-p elastic scattering

Polarization Transfer



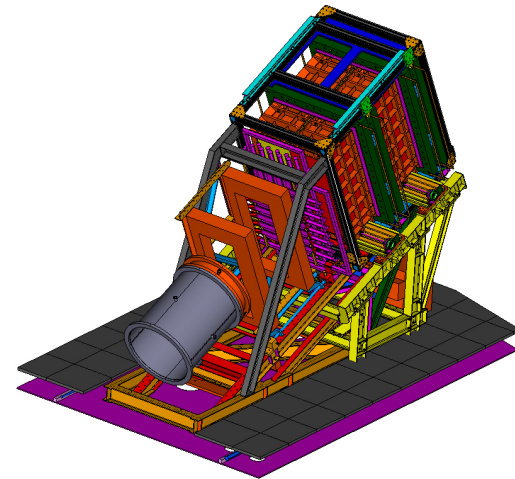
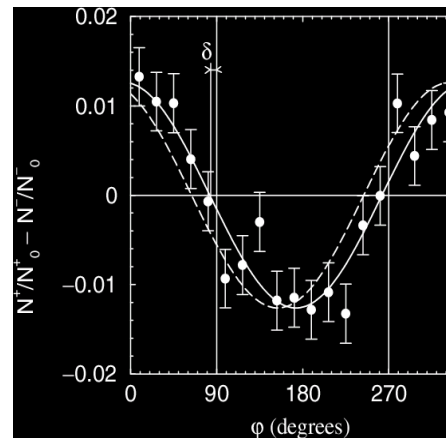
$$\frac{G_E^p}{G_M^p}$$



- Recoil proton polarization

$$\frac{G_E^p}{G_M^p} = -\frac{P_t E + E'}{P_l 2M} \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$

- recoil proton scatters off secondary ^{12}C target
- P_t , P_l measured from ϕ distribution
- P_b , and analyzing power cancel out in ratio



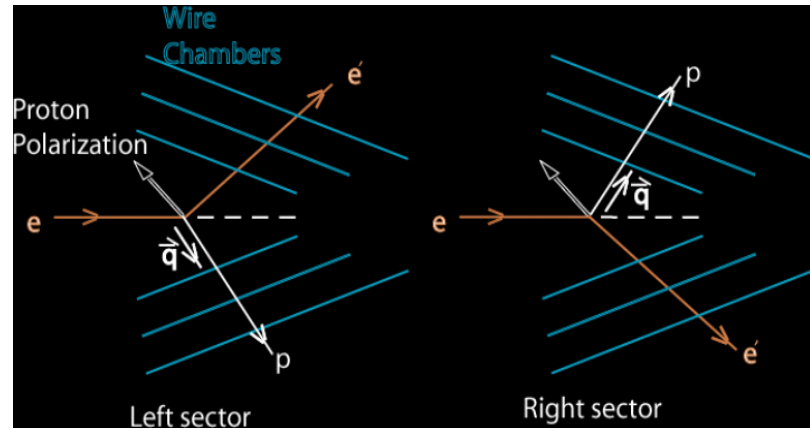
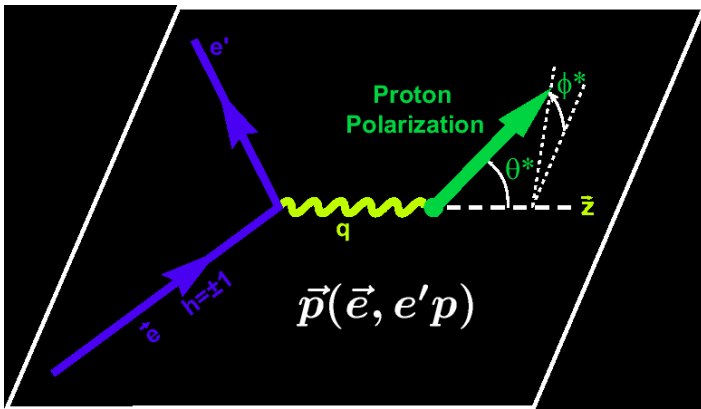
Focal-plane polarimeter

Asymmetry Super-ratio Method

Polarized electron-polarized proton elastic scattering

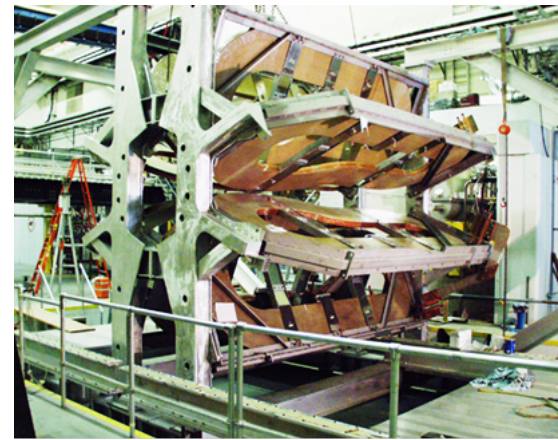
- Polarized beam-target asymmetry

$$A_{exp} = P_b P_t \frac{-2\tau v_{T'} \cos \theta^* G_M^p{}^2 + 2\sqrt{2\tau(1+\tau)} v_{TL'} \sin \theta^* \cos \phi^* G_M^p G_E^p}{(1+\tau) v_L G_E^p{}^2 + 2\tau v_T G_M^p{}^2}$$



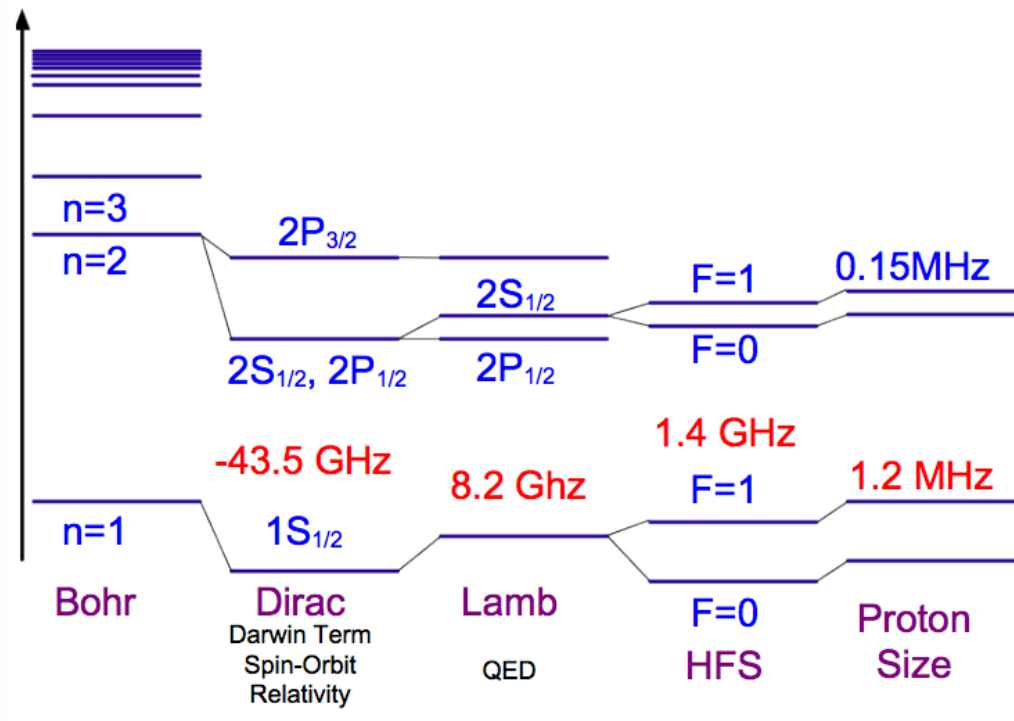
- Super-ratio

$$R_A = \frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{a_1 - b_1 \cdot G_E^p / G_M^p}{a_2 - b_2 \cdot G_E^p / G_M^p}$$



BLAST pioneered the technique, later also used in Jlab Hall A experiment

Hydrogen Spectroscopy



The absolute frequency of H energy levels has been measured with an accuracy of **1.4 part in 10^{14}** via comparison with an **atomic cesium fountain clock** as a primary frequency standard.

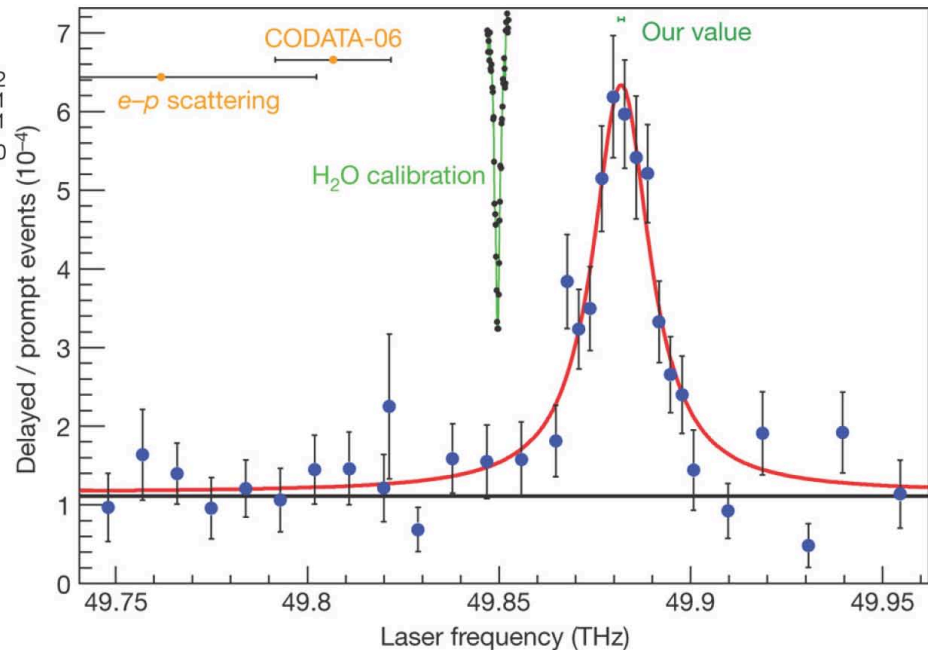
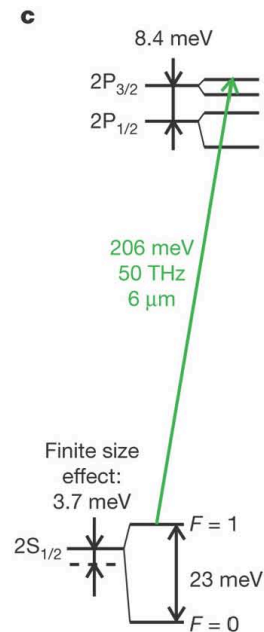
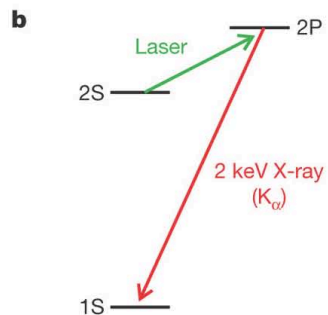
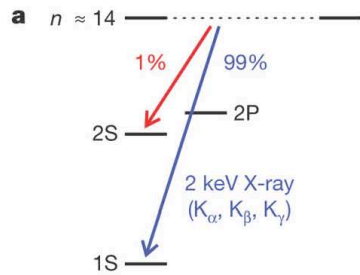
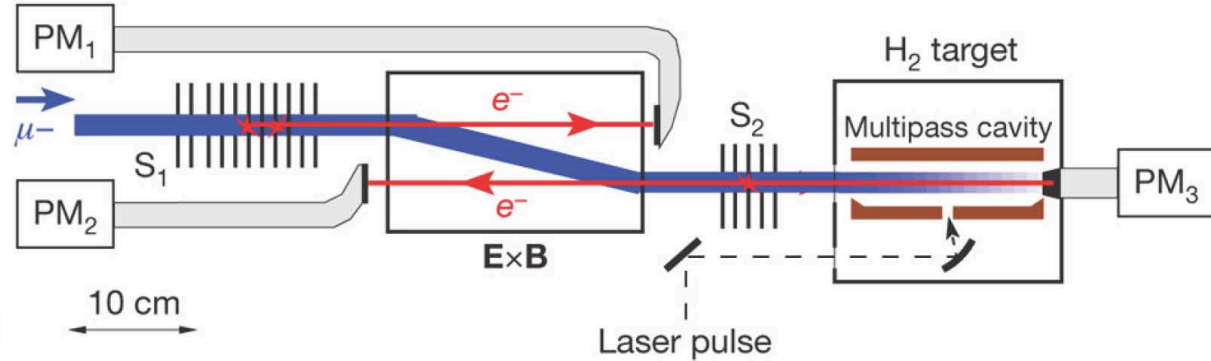
Yields R_{∞} (the most precisely known constant)

Comparing measurements to QED calculations that include corrections for the finite size of the proton provide an **indirect** but very precise value of the **rms proton charge radius**

Muonic hydrogen Lamb shift experiment at PSI

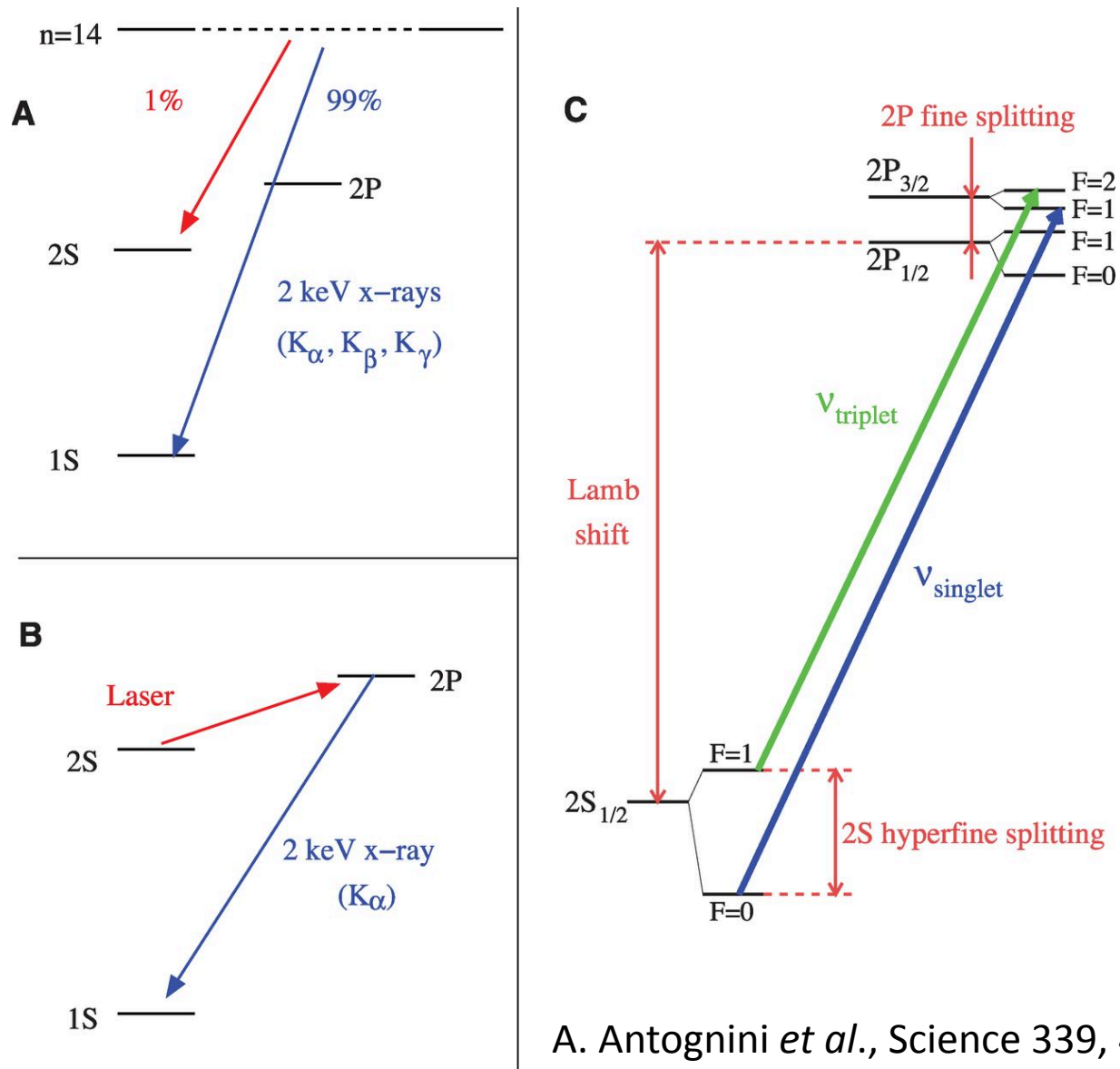


Nature **466**, 213-216 (8 July 2010)



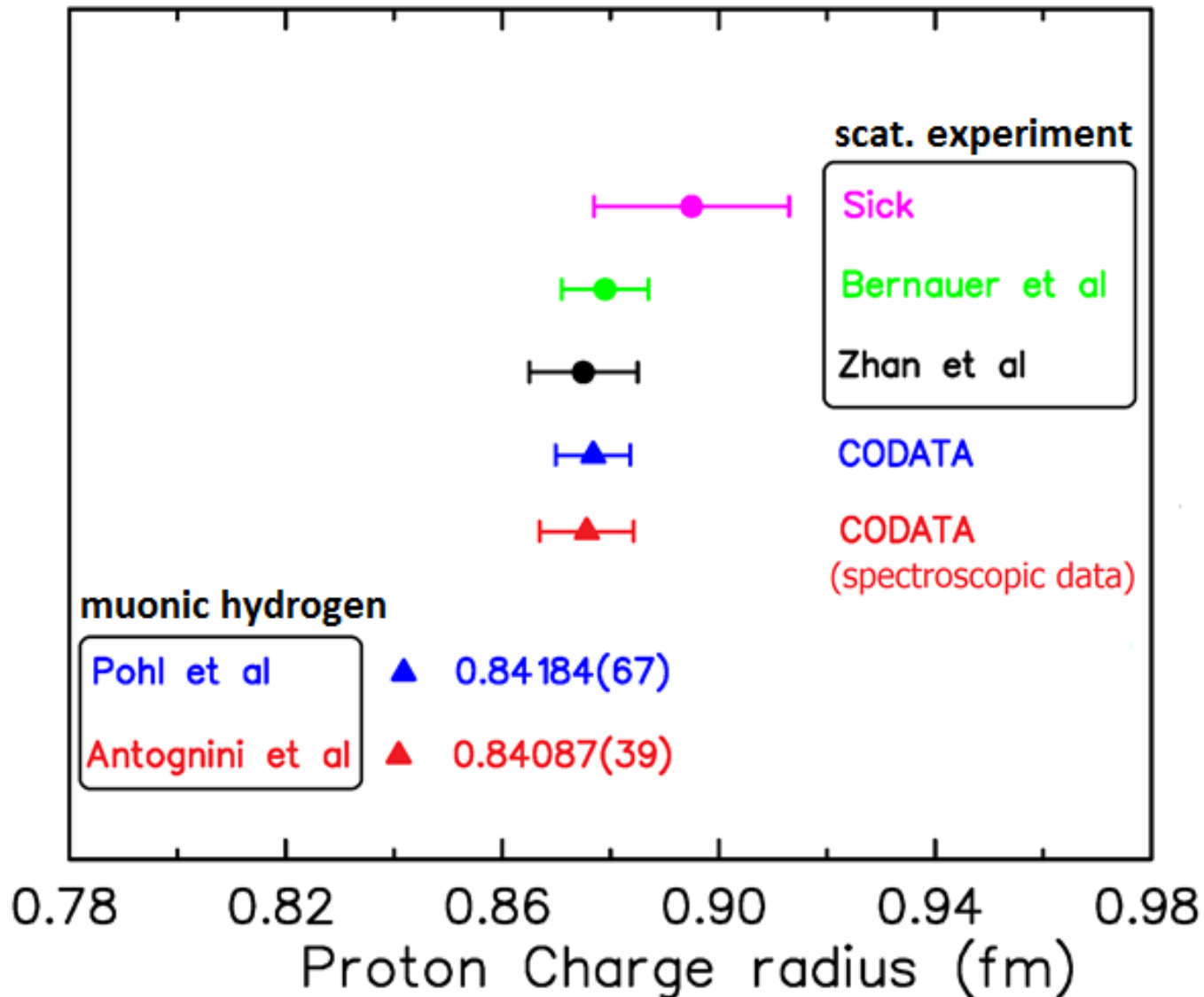
2010: new value is $r_p = 0.84184(67)$ fm

New PSI results reported in Science 2013



A. Antognini *et al.*, Science 339, 417 (2013)

The proton radius puzzle intensified, more intrigued by muonic helium result



Calculations

An additional 0.31 meV to match CODATA value

Contribution	Value [meV]	Uncertainty [10^{-4} meV]
Uehling	205.0282	
Källen–Sabry	1.5081	
VP iteration	0.151	
Mixed $\mu - e$ VP	0.00007	
Hadronic VP [21, 23]	0.011	20
Sixth order VP [24]	0.00761	
Whichmann–Kroll	-0.00103	
Virtual Delbrück	0.00135	
Light-by-light	-	10
Muon self-energy and muonic VP (2 nd order)	-0.66788	
Fourth order electron loops	-0.00169	
VP insertion in self energy [17]	-0.0055	10
Proton self-energy [18]	-0.0099	
Recoil [17, 43]	0.0575	
Recoil correction to VP (one-photon)	-0.0041	
Recoil (two-photon) [19]	-0.04497	
Recoil higher order [19]	-0.0096	
Recoil finite size [32]	0.013	10
Finite size of order $(Z\alpha)^4$ [32]	$-5.1975(1) r_p^2$	(620)
Finite size of order $(Z\alpha)^5$	$0.0347(30) r_p^3$	(20)
Finite size of order $(Z\alpha)^6$	-0.0005	
Correction to VP	$-0.0109 r_p^2$	
Additional size for VP [19]	$-0.0164 r_p^3$	
Proton polarizability [18, 33]	0.015	40
Fine structure $\Delta E(2P_{3/2} - 2P_{1/2})$	8.352	10
$2P_{3/2}^{F=2}$ hyperfine splitting	1.2724	
$2S_{1/2}^{F=1}$ hyperfine splitting [42], $(-22.8148/4)$	-5.7037	20

20 Evaluation by Jentschura, Annals Phys. 326, 500 (2011)
 10 Recent summary by A. Antognini et al., arXiv:1208.2637

10 Birse and McGovern, arXiv:1206.3030
 0.015(4) meV (proton polarizability)

J.M. Alarcon, et al. 1312.1219
 0.008 meV

(620) G.A. Miller, arXiv:1209.4667
 (20)

40 New experiments at HIGS and Mainz on proton polarizabilities

Partial Summary

- **New physics: new particles**, Barger et al. PRL106,153001 (2011), Carlson and Rislow, arXiv:1206.3587;
New PV muonic force, Batell et al. PRL 107 (011803) 2011; quantum gravity at the Fermi scale R. Onofrio, arXiv:1312.3469;.....
- **Contributions to the muonic H Lamb shift**: Carlson and Vanderhaeghen, arXiv:1101.5965, arXiv:1109.3779; Jentschura, Annals Phys. 326, 500 (2011), Borie, arXiv:1103:1772, Carroll et al, arXiv:1108.5785, Hill and Gaz, PRL107, 160402(2011); Birse and McGovern, arXiv1206.3030, G.A. Miller 1209.4667, J.M. Alarcon, et al. 1312.1219,....
- **Higher moments of the charge distribution and Zemach radii**, Distler, Bernauer and Walcher, PLB696, 343(2011),..
- Dispersion relations: Lorentz et al. [arXiv:1205.6628](#)
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- **New experiments: Mainz (e-d, ISR, Jlab (PRad), PSI (Lamb shift, mu-p scattering), H Lamb shift, *PRad* ...**

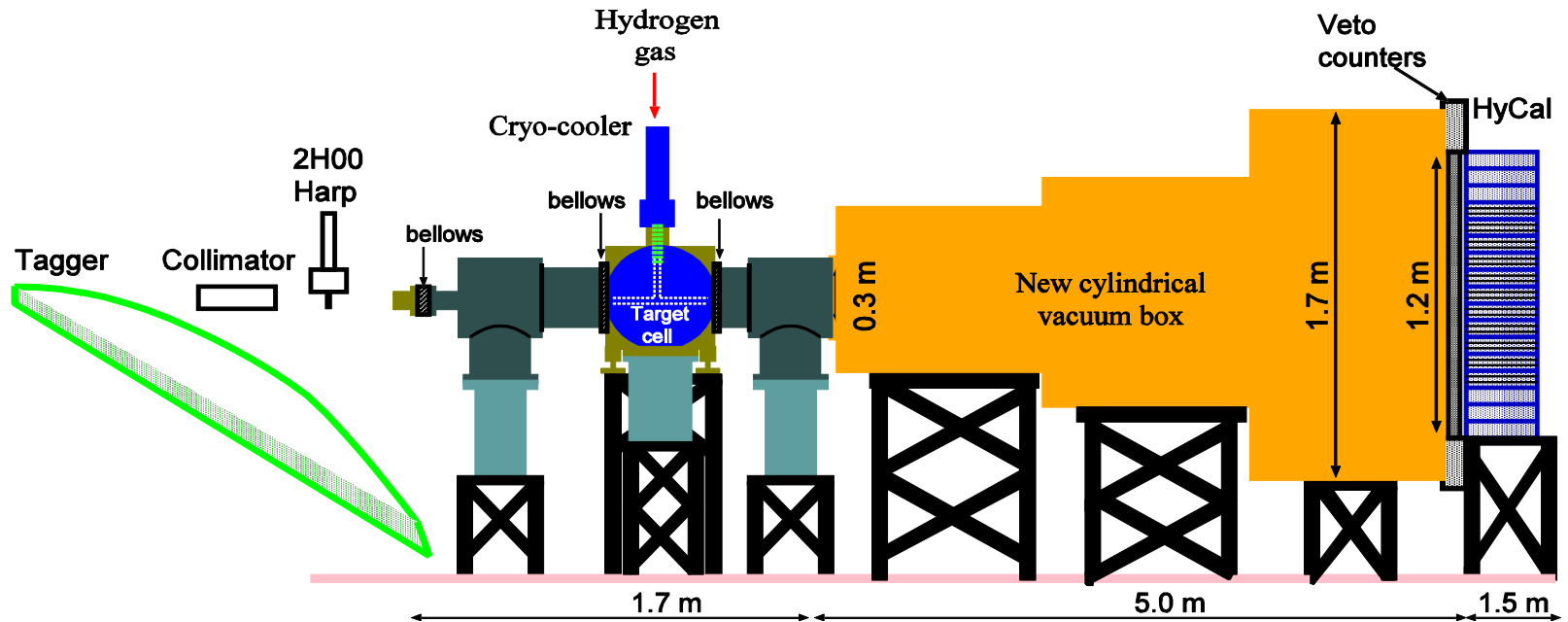
How to resolve the proton charge radius puzzle?

Focus on experiments here

- ◆ Redo atomic hydrogen spectroscopy
- ◆ Muonic deuterium and helium (PSI)
- ◆ Muon-proton scattering (MUSE experiment)
- ◆ Electron scattering experiments (Jlab and Mainz)
(preferably with completely different systematics)

PRad Experimental Setup in Hall B

PRad Setup (side view)



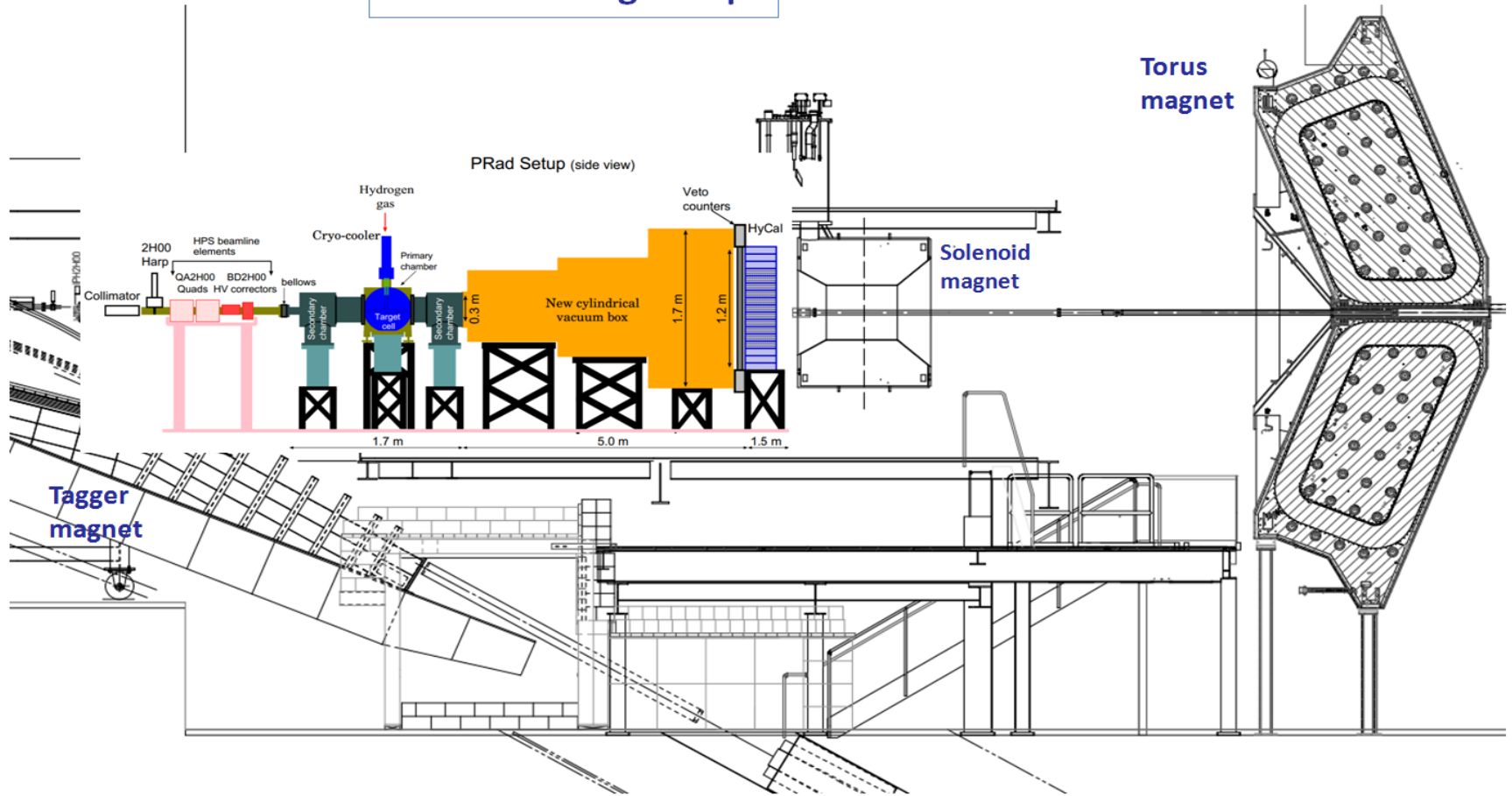
- High resolution, large acceptance, hybrid HyCal calorimeter (**PbWO₄** and **Pb**)
- Windowless H₂ gas flow target
- Simultaneous detection of elastic and Moller electrons
- Q² range of **2x10⁻⁴ – 0.14 GeV²**
- XY – veto counters replaced by GEM detector
- Vacuum box

Spokespersons: A. Gasparian,
D. Dutta, H. Gao, M. Khandaker

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PRad Layout in Hall B at Jefferson Lab

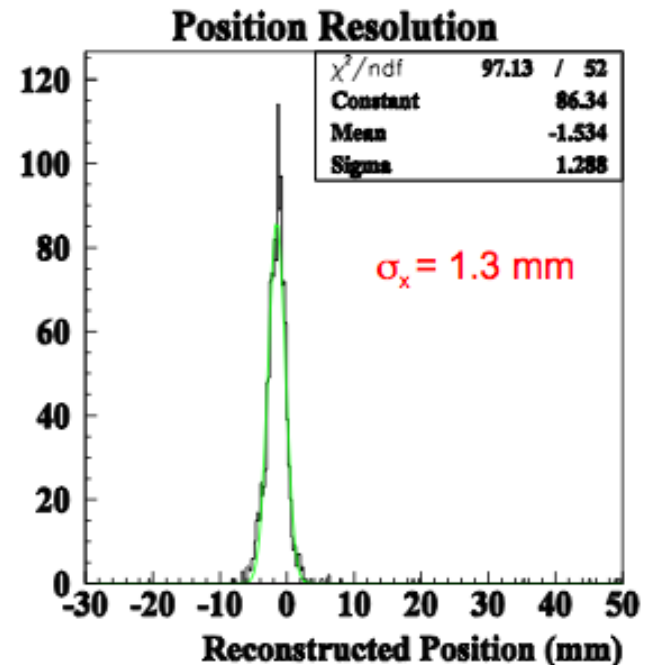
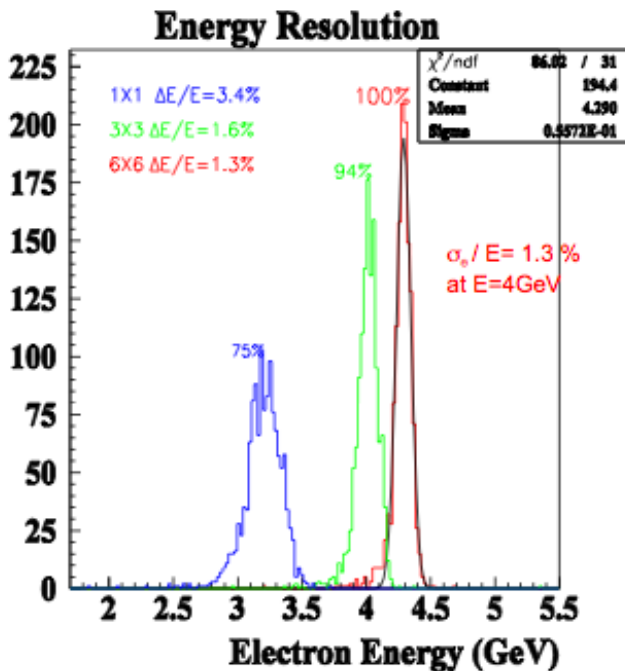
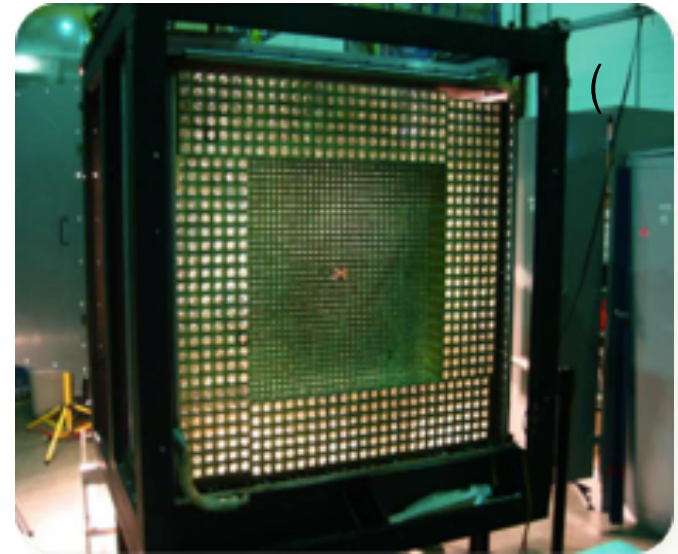
PRad Running Setup



Distance between the HPS Quads' girder and the center of the Hall is ~10.5 m

High Resolution Calorimeter

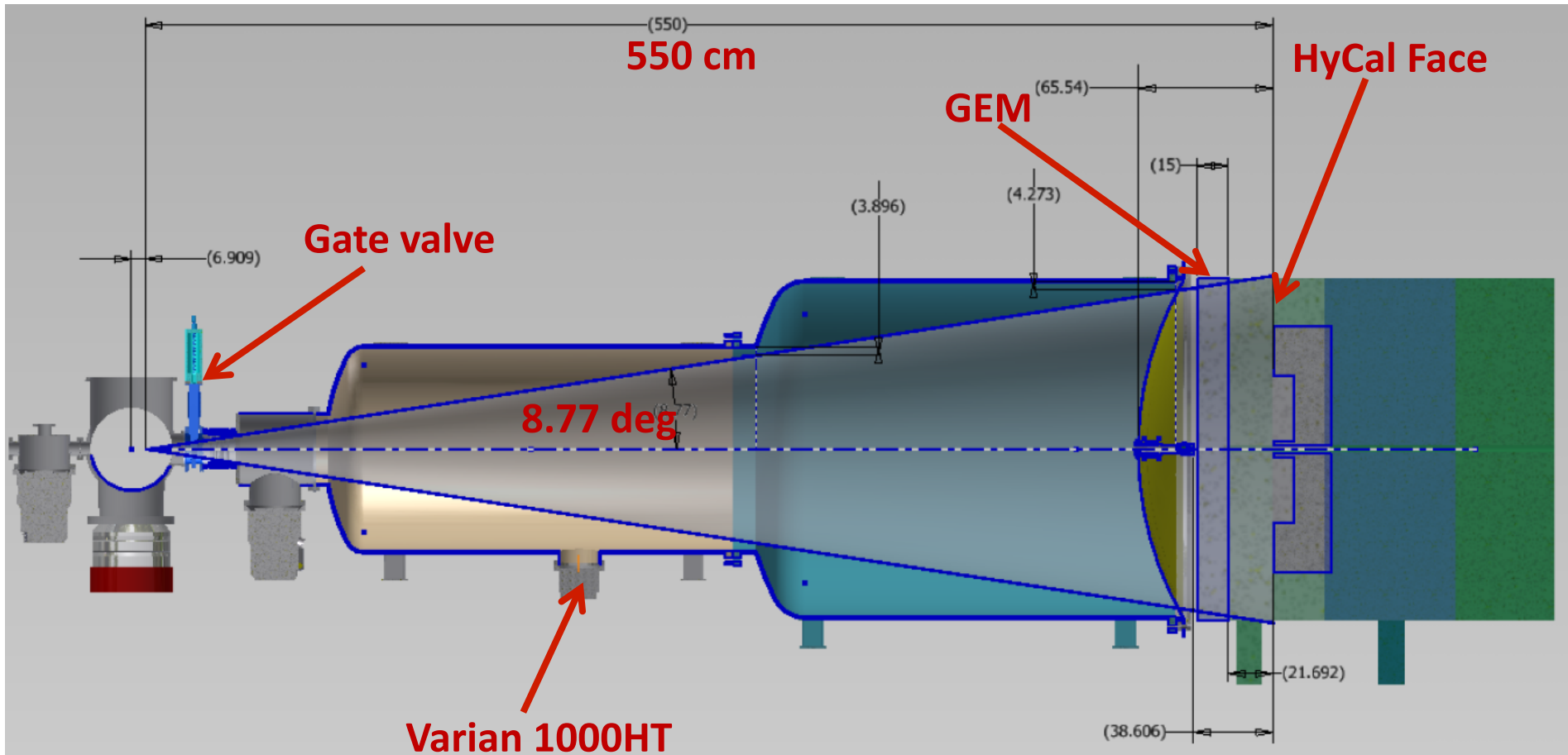
- HyCal is a PbWO_4 and Pb-glass calorimeter
- $2.05 \times 2.05 \text{ cm}^2 \times 18 \text{ cm}$ (20 rad. Length)
- 1152 modules arranged in 34×34 matrix
- $\sim 5 \text{ m}$ from the target,
- 0.5 sr acceptance



Vacuum Box and GEM

Two-cylinder design for vacuum box

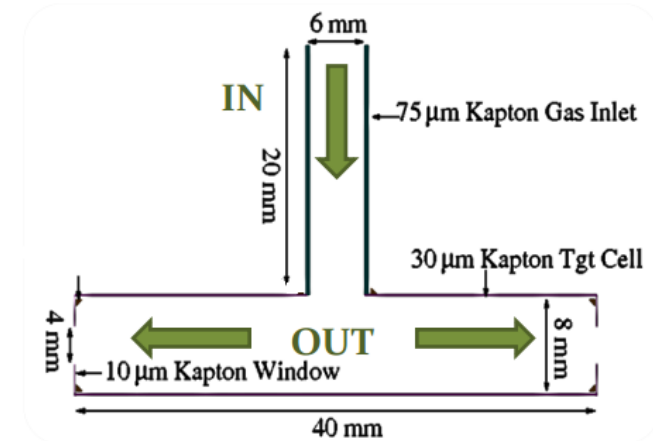
**GEM detector to replace veto counter to improve Q2 resolution
(particularly with using lead blocks)**



Windowless H_2 Gas Flow Target

Target cell (original design):

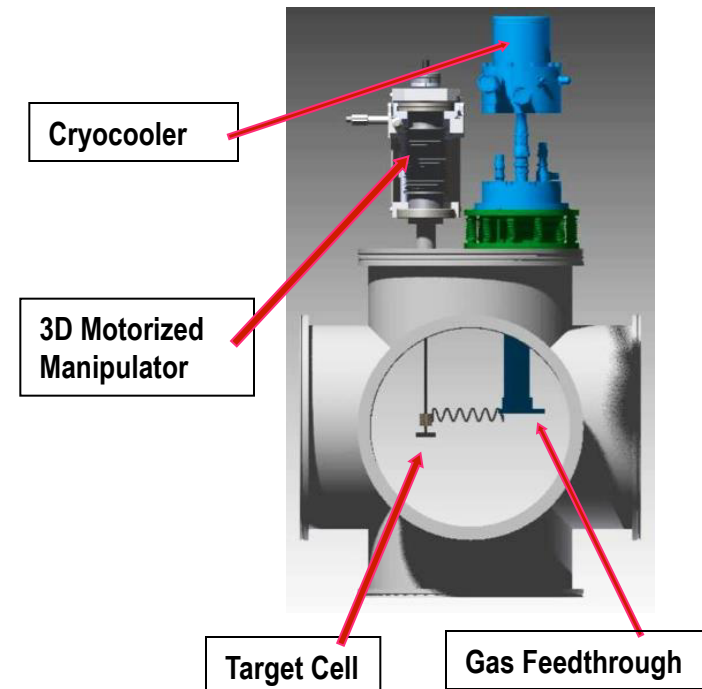
- cell length 4.0 cm
- cell diameter 8.0 mm
- cell material 30 μm Kapton
- input gas temp. 25 K
- target thickness 1×10^{18} H/cm²
- average density 2.5×10^{17} H/cm³
- gas mass-flow rate 6.3 Torr-l/s \approx 430 sccm



Target parts:

- pumping system (all parts at Jlab)
- cryocooler (at Jlab)
- motorized Manipulator (at Jlab)
- chillers for pumps and cryocooler (at Jlab)
- Target and secondary chambers (at JLab)

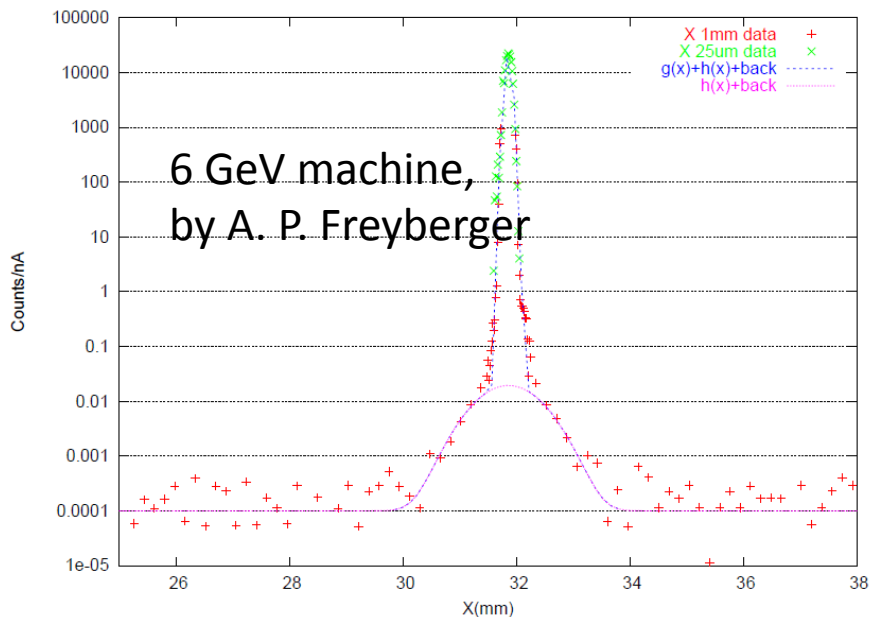
Kapton cell: work in progress



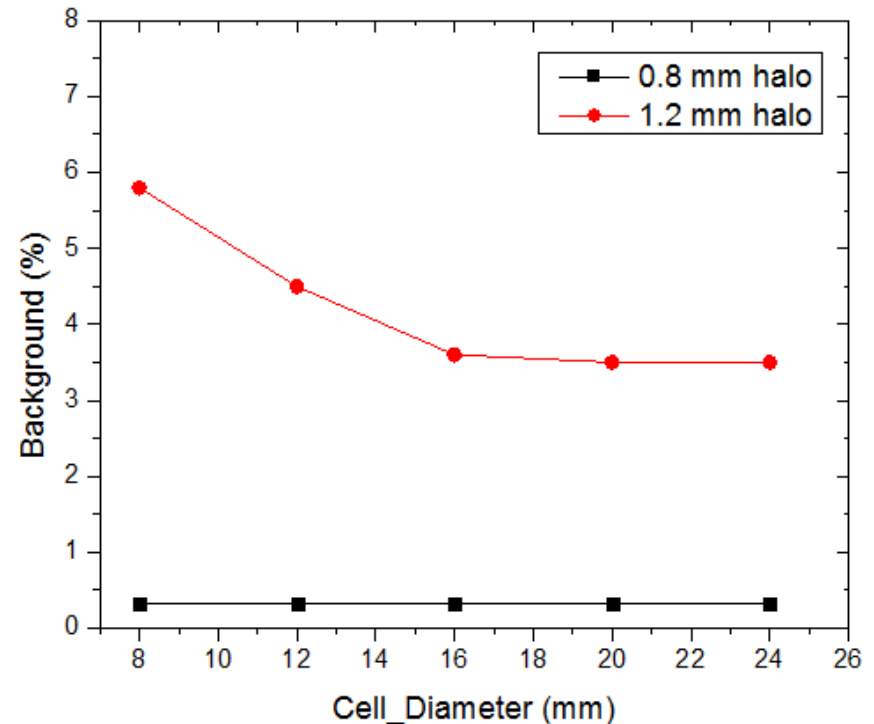
Target supported by NSF - MRI grant

Background due to beam halo

- Beam halo is the main background source, it may hit the cell structure
- This background will be subtracted by empty target run
- The cell design is also changed to reduce the background level



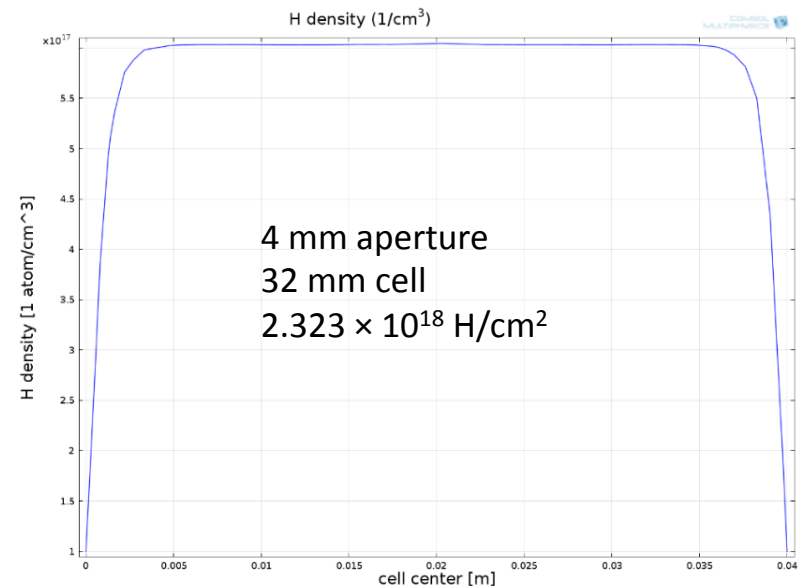
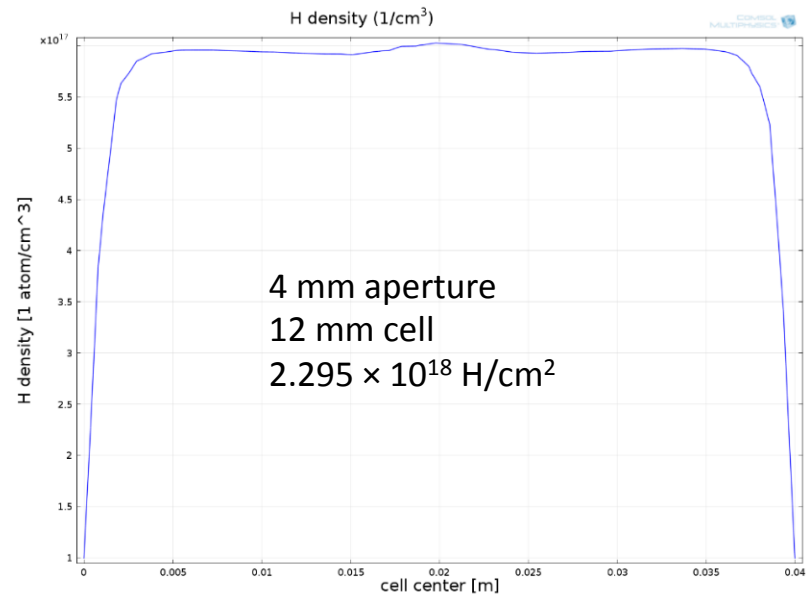
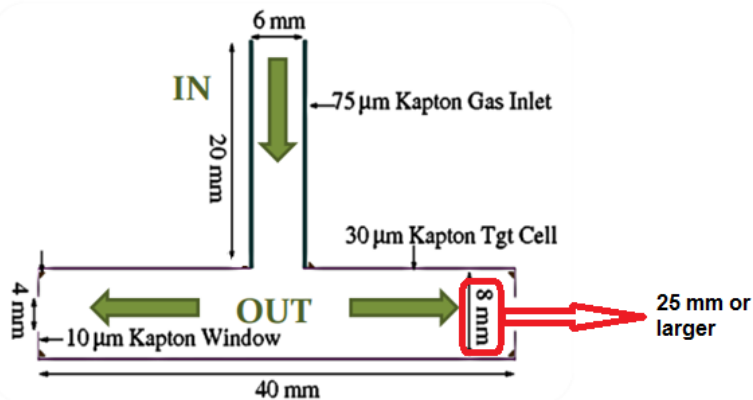
Halo $\sigma_{x,y} = 0.38 - 0.95$ mm



Target cell aperture diameter 4 mm

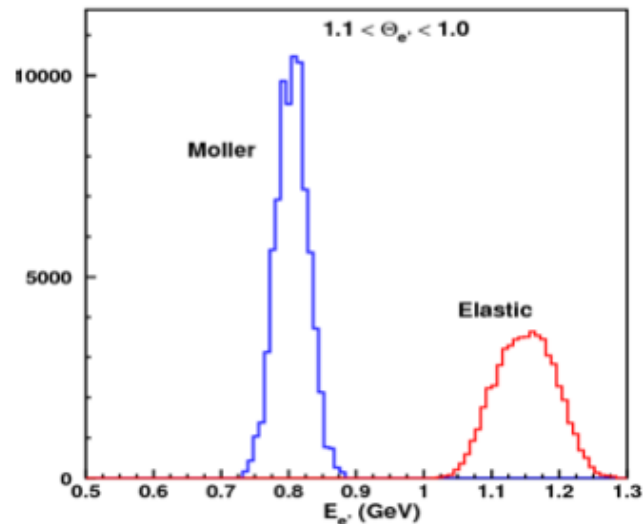
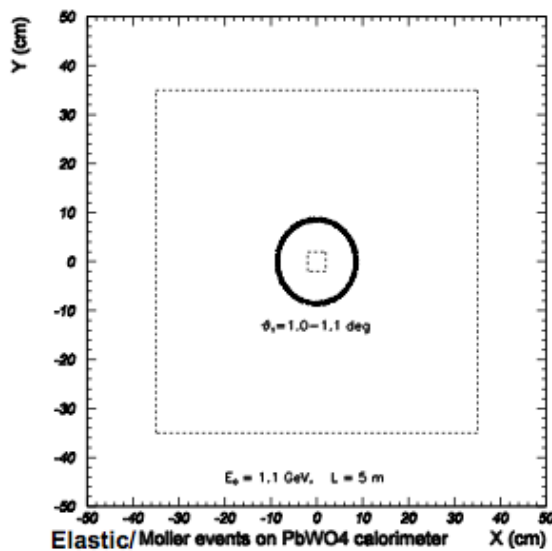
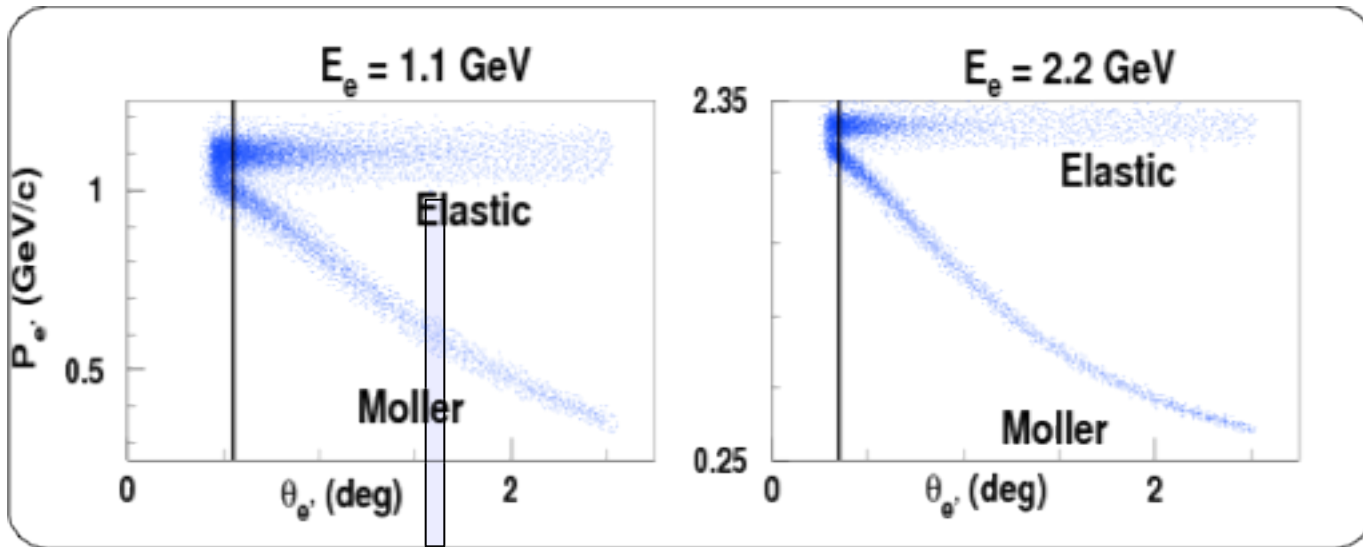
Background due to beam halo

- The aperture of cell is fixed at 4 mm, and the cell diameter increases
- The new design maintains the target thickness, and reduces the background from halo



Normalization with Moller Scattering

Simultaneous detection of ep elastic and ee Moller events



Measurement Principle

3 methods to analyze the Möller electrons:

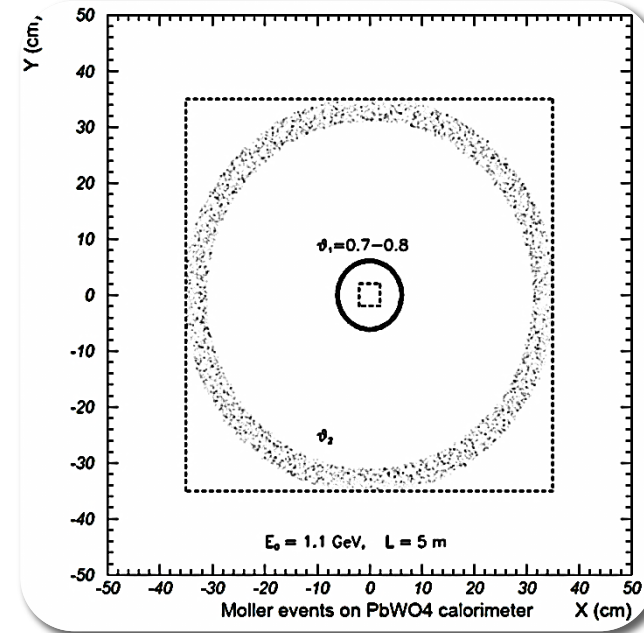
❖ Single arm method: one Möller electron detected:

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{ep}(Q_i^2) = \left[\frac{N_{\text{exp}}^{\text{yield}}(ep \rightarrow ep \text{ in } \theta_i \pm \Delta\theta)}{N_{\text{exp}}^{\text{yield}}(e^-e^- \rightarrow e^-e^-)} \right] \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{e^-e^-}$$

Only detection efficiencies and relative acceptance are needed.

❖ Double arm method: both Möller electrons are detected

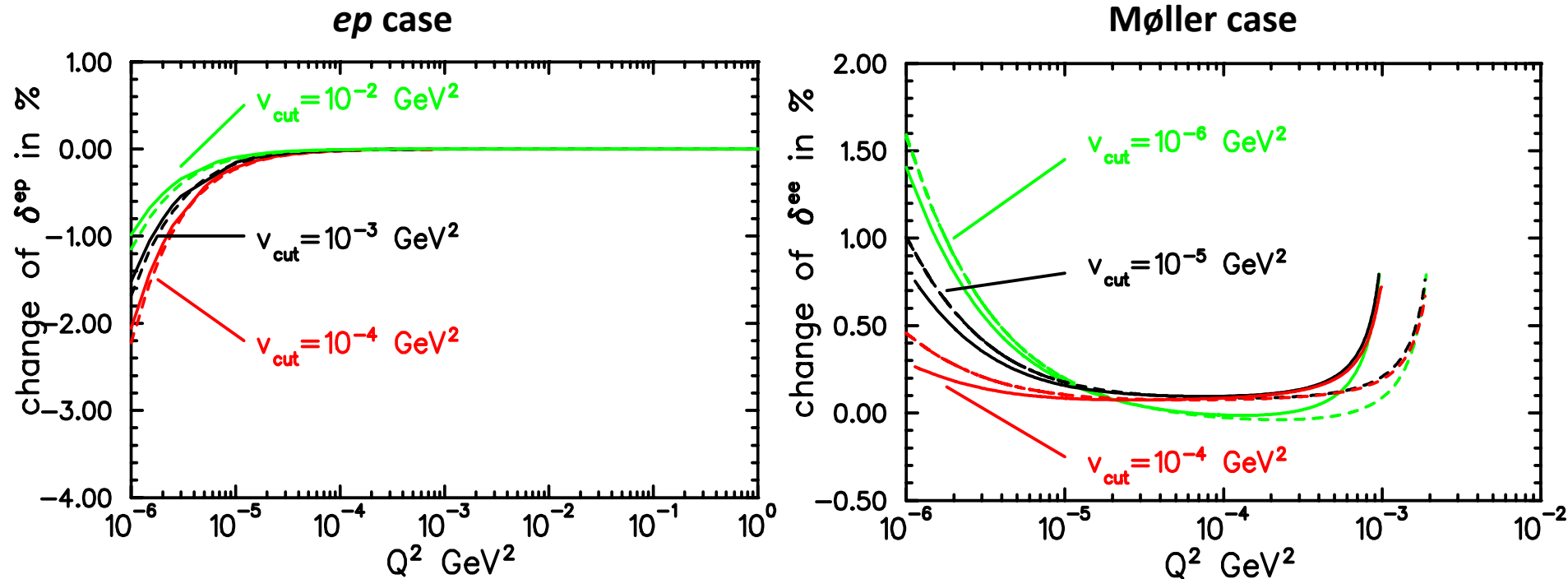
$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{ep}(Q_i^2) = \left[\frac{N_{\text{exp}}^{\text{yield}}(ep \rightarrow ep \text{ in } \theta_i \pm \Delta\theta)}{N_{\text{exp}}^{\text{yield}}(e^-e^- \rightarrow e^-e^-)} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_{\text{geom}}^{e^-e^-}}{\varepsilon_{\text{geom}}^{ep}} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_{\text{det}}^{e^-e^-}}{\varepsilon_{\text{det}}^{ep}} \right] \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{e^-e^-}$$



❖ Integrated Möller cross section method over all the HyCal acceptance

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{ep}(Q_i^2) = \left[\frac{N_{\text{exp}}^{\text{yield}}(ep, \theta_i \pm \Delta\theta)}{N_{\text{exp}}^{\text{yield}}(e^-e^-, \text{ on PbWO}_4)} \right] \frac{\varepsilon_{\text{geom}}^{e^-e^-}(\text{all PbWO}_4)}{\varepsilon_{\text{geom}}^{ep}(\theta_i \pm \Delta\theta)} \frac{\varepsilon_{\text{det}}^{e^-e^-}(\text{all PbWO}_4)}{\varepsilon_{\text{det}}^{ep}(\theta_i \pm \Delta\theta)} \cdot \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{e^-e^-}$$

Radiative Corrections at low Q^2 for the PRad Experiment



Updated ep radiative corrections code MASCARAD

A. Afanasev et al. *Phys.Rev.D* vol. **64**, p. 113009 (2001).

Updated Møller radiative corrections code MERA

A. Ilyichev et al. *Phys.Rev.D* vol. **72**, p. 033013 (2005).

Two studies within PRad collaboration:

- (1) Akushevich, Gao, Ilyichev and Meziane
- (2) Gasparian and Gramolin

Solid line: 1.1 GeV

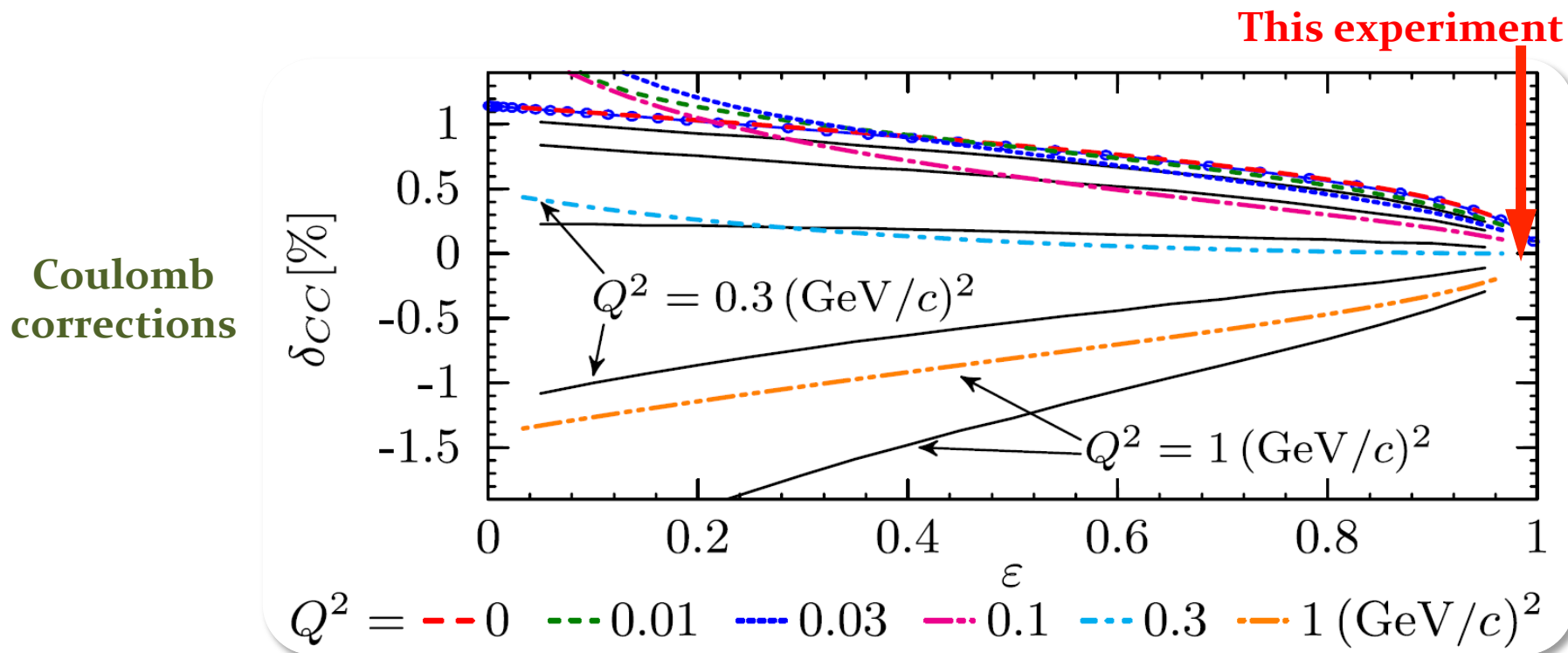
Dashed line: 2.2 GeV

Inelasticity cut: 0.05 GeV²
for ep and 10⁻⁵ GeV²
for Moller

Coulomb corrections

Both latest Arrington (solid lines) and Bernauer et al. (color lines) give Coulomb corrections significantly less than 0.1% to the unpolarized cross section for $\epsilon \rightarrow 1$

Largest ϵ of this experiment: 0.998



Bernauer et al. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 105, 242001 (2010)

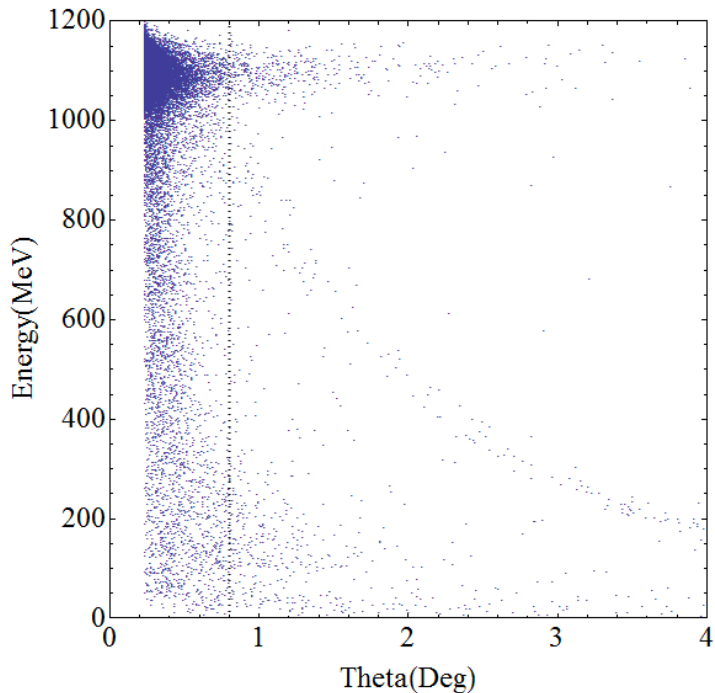
Arrington: *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 107, 119101 (2011)

Full Simulation of the Experiment

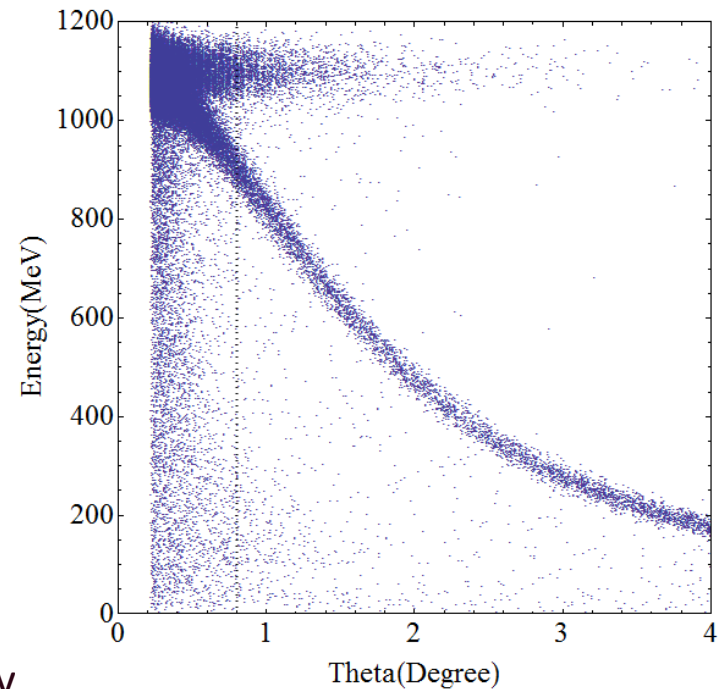
A Geant4 based simulation of the entire experiment has been developed

*A detailed study of backgrounds and background subtraction has been performed using this simulation
(need 20% beam time for empty target runs)*

Empty target



Full target



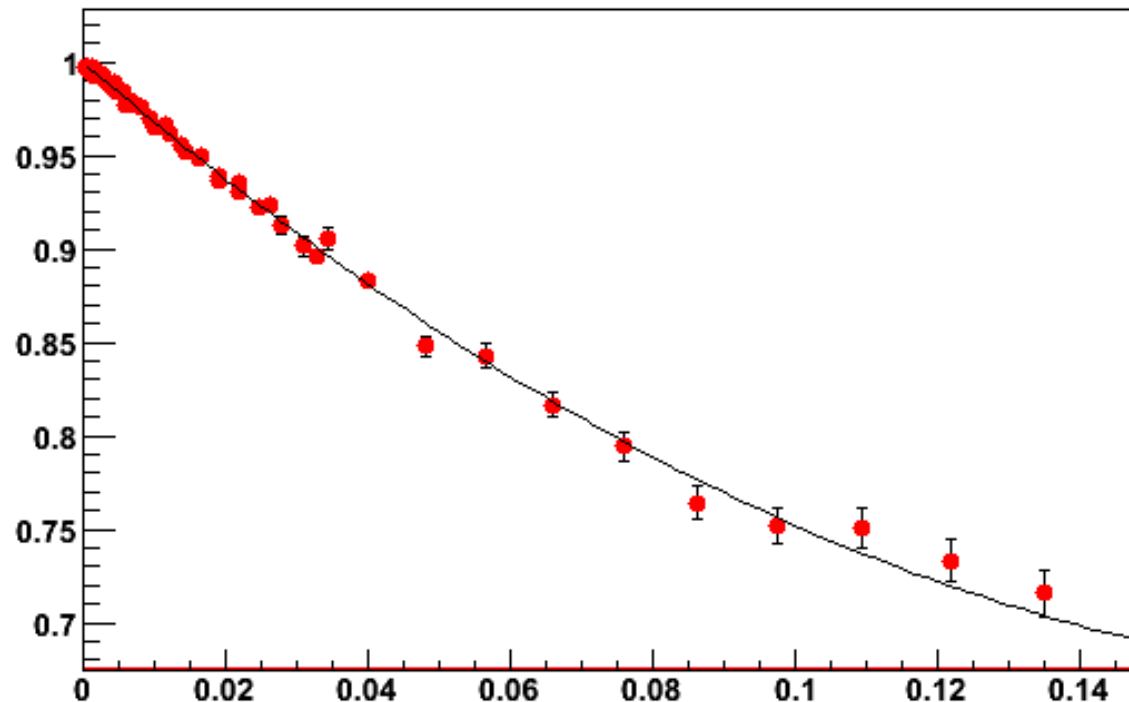
Full Simulation and projection of the Experiment

Q² range using full HyCal, and adding GEM position detector,
statistical and sys. uncertainties included

$r_p = 0.8768$ fm (input)

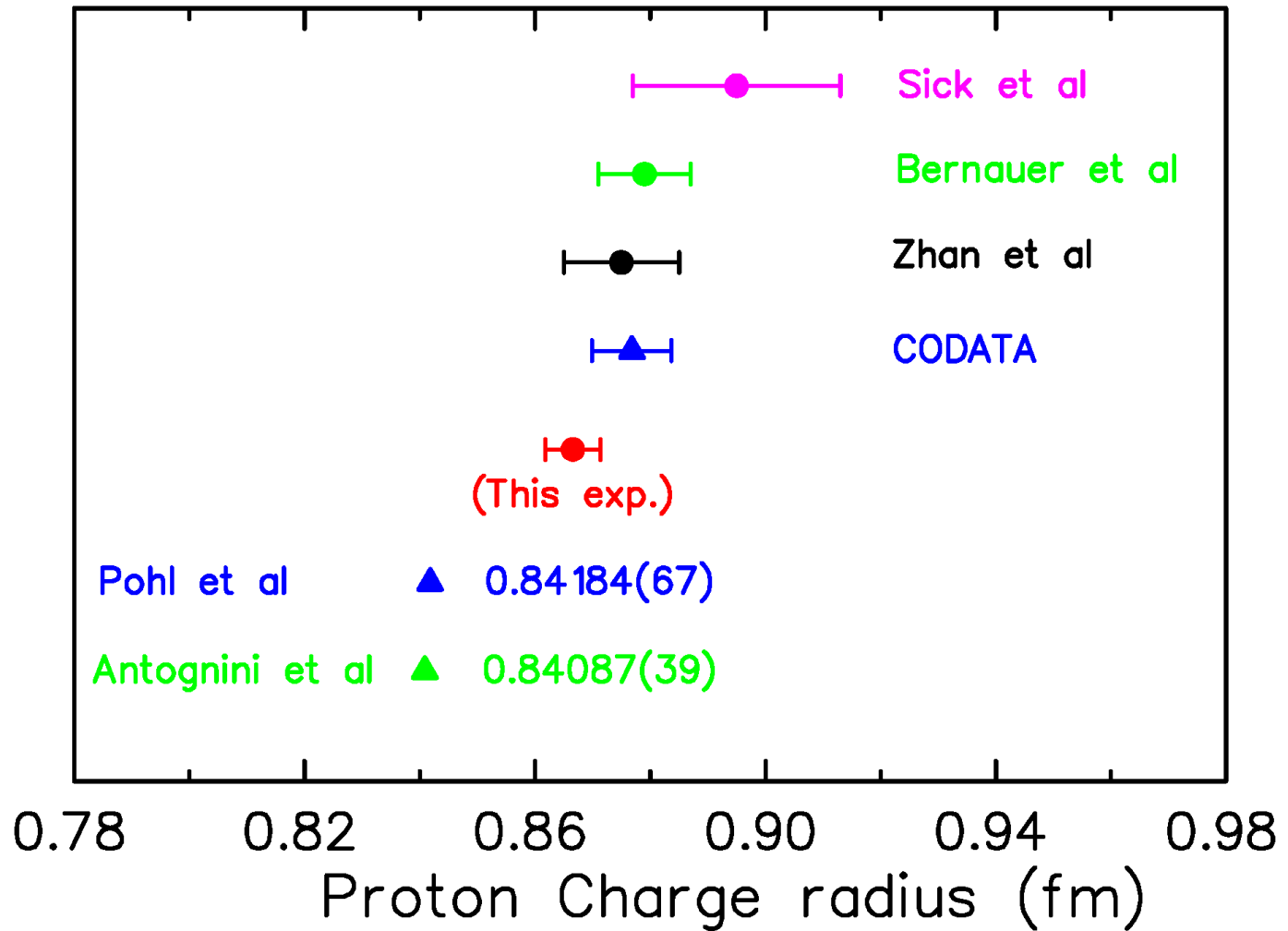
$r_p = 0.8758(58)$ fm (extracted)

Radius Extraction

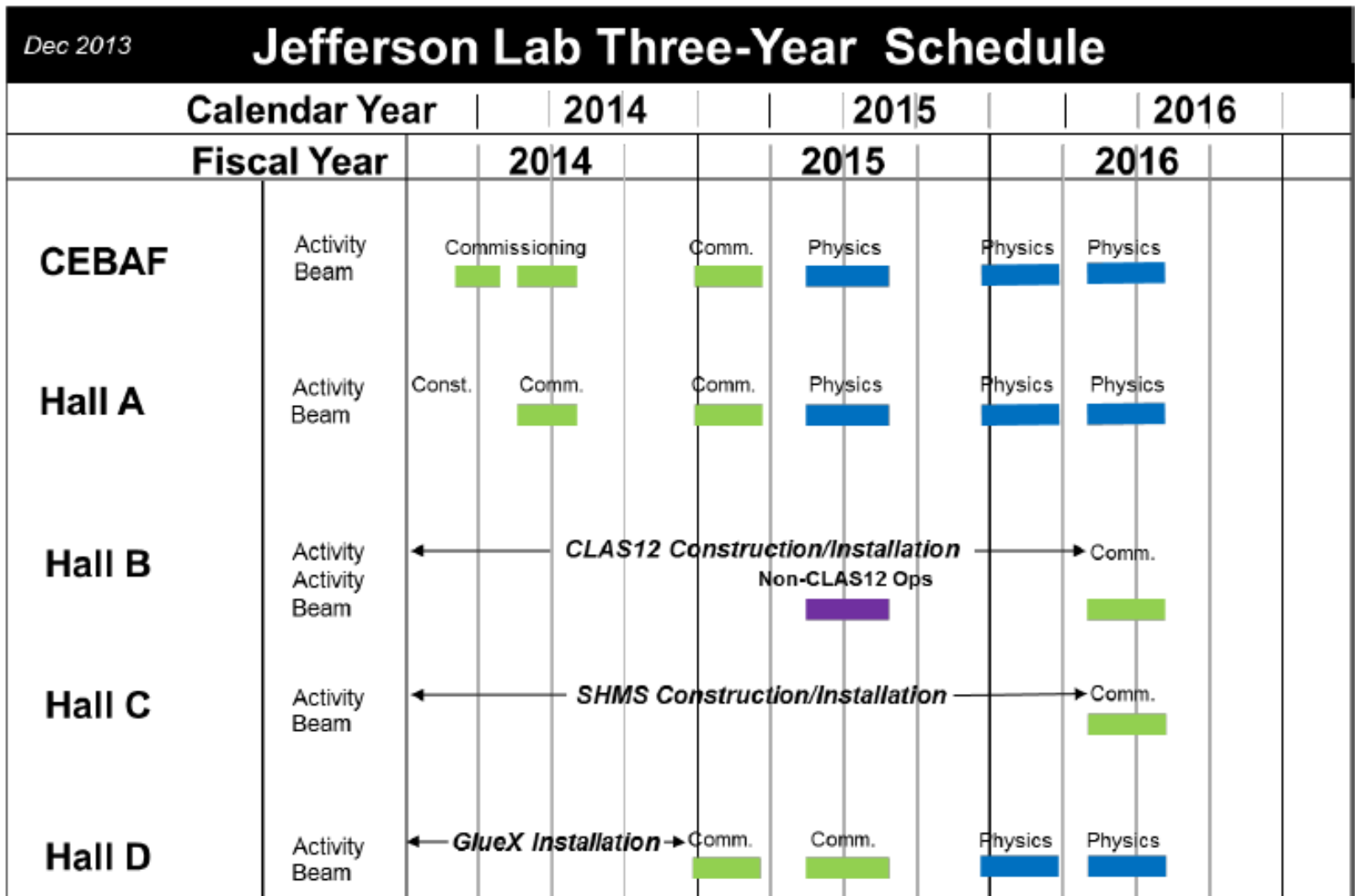


Simulations by
C. Peng

Projected Result



JLab Three-Year Run Plan



PRad Collaboration Institutional List

■ *Currently 16 collaborating universities and institutions*

Jefferson Laboratory

NC A&T State University

Duke University

Idaho State University

Mississippi State University

Norfolk State University

Argonne National Laboratory

University of North Carolina at Wilmington

University of Kentucky

Hampton University

College of William & Mary

University of Virginia

Tsinghua University, China

Old Dominion University

ITEP, Moscow, Russia

Budker Institute of Nuclear Physics , Novosibirsk, Russia

■ *Welcome new collaborators and institutional groups*

Summary and outlook

- Proton charge radius: fundamental quantity important to atomic, nuclear, and particle physics
- Proton charge radius puzzle triggered by muonic hydrogen atom Lamb shift measurements motivated extensive theoretical and experimental activities
- New precision measurement from electron scattering is **a MUST**
- **PRad: new experiment on e-p elastic scattering will use novel experimental techniques**
- Stay tuned for more news about proton charge radius

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The 21st INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM on Spin Physics (SPIN2014), Beijing, China

Dates: October 20-24, 2014

Place: Peking University

Beijing, China

Conference co-chairs:

Bo-Qiang Ma and Haiyan Gao

Symposium website

<http://www.phy.pku.edu.cn/spin2014/>

Poster competition with prizes

<http://www.phy.pku.edu.cn/spin2014/poster.html>

Deadline: August 30, 2014



11th European Research conference on “Electromagnetic interactions with nucleons and nuclei

- 2-7 Nov. 2015, Paphos, Cyprus, <http://www.cyprusconferences.org/einn2015/>
- Annabelle Hotel (Official Rating – 5*) http://www.cyprusconferences.org/einn2015/?page_id=292
- Scientific program will include:
 - Nucleon form factors and low-energy hadron structure
 - Partonic structure of nucleons and nuclei
 - Precision electroweak physics with searches for dark photons
 - Meson spectroscopy and structure
 - Baryon and light-meson spectroscopy
 - Nuclear effects and few-body physics

