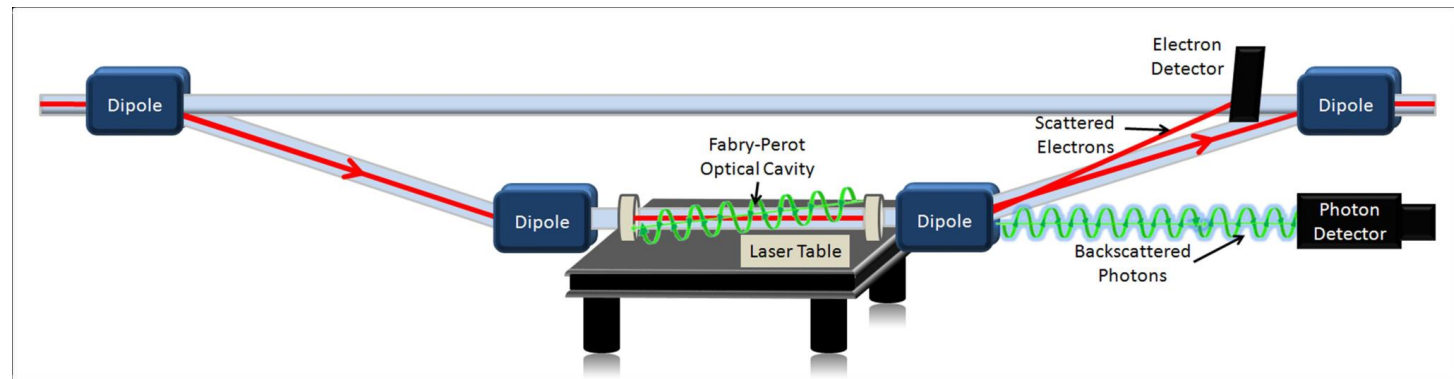


# JLab Compton Detectors – Lessons learned

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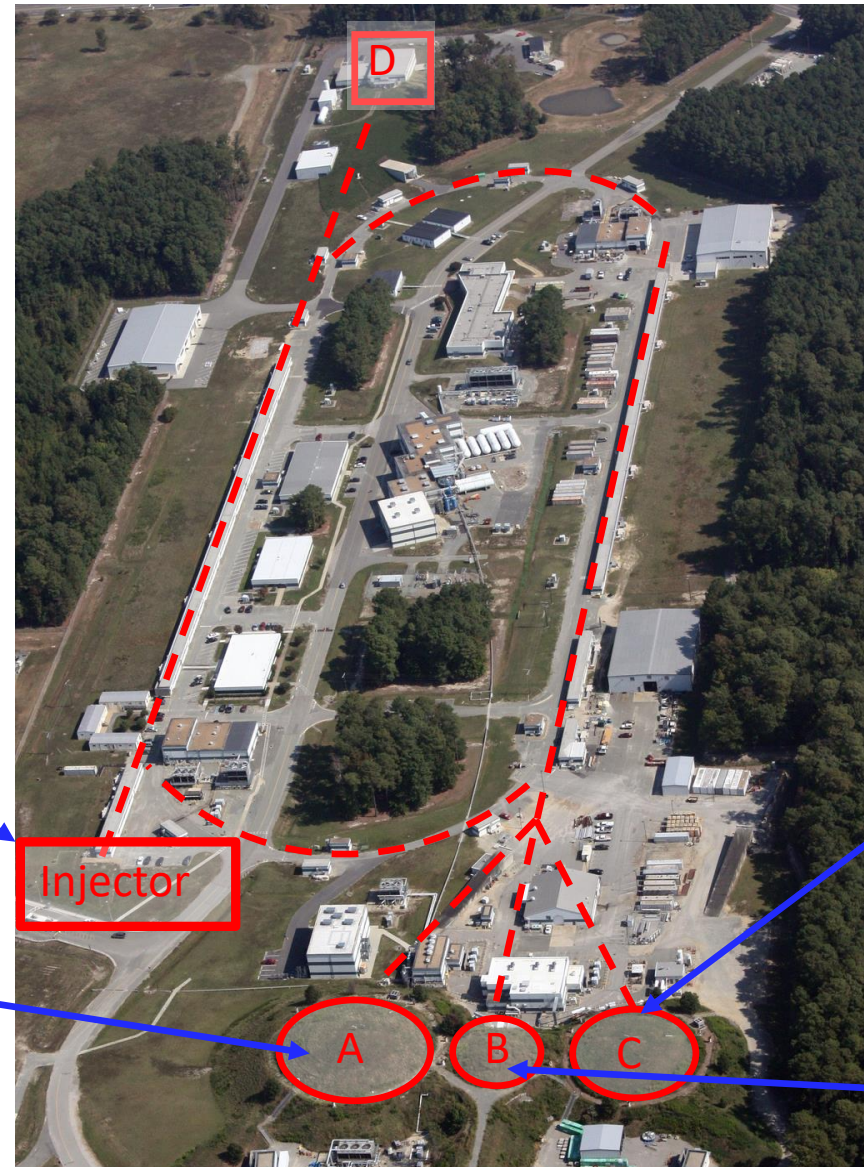
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# Jefferson Lab Polarimetry Map

$E_{beam} = 1-12 \text{ GeV}$

$I_{beam} \sim 100 \mu\text{A}$

P=85-90%



## Injector

5 MeV Mott Polarimeter

## Hall A

Compton Polarimeter

- IR  $\rightarrow$  Green laser
- Møller Polarimeter
- In plane, low field target  $\rightarrow$  out of plane saturated iron foil

## Hall C

Compton Polarimeter

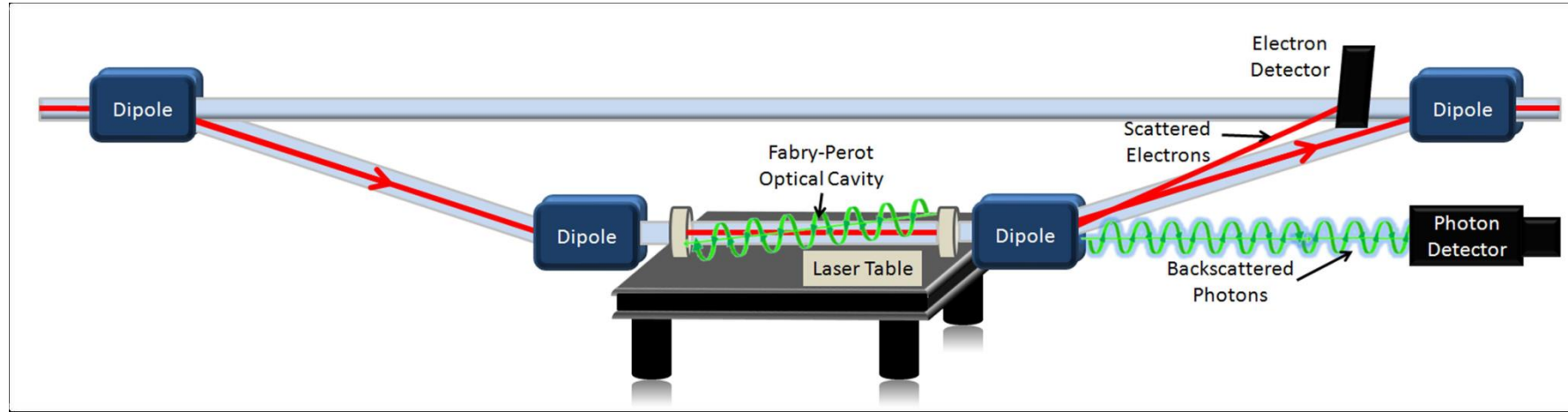
- Installed 2010 (Q-Weak)
- Møller Polarimeter
- Out of plane saturated iron foil

## Hall B

Møller Polarimeter

- In plane, low field target

# Compton Polarimeter Subsystems



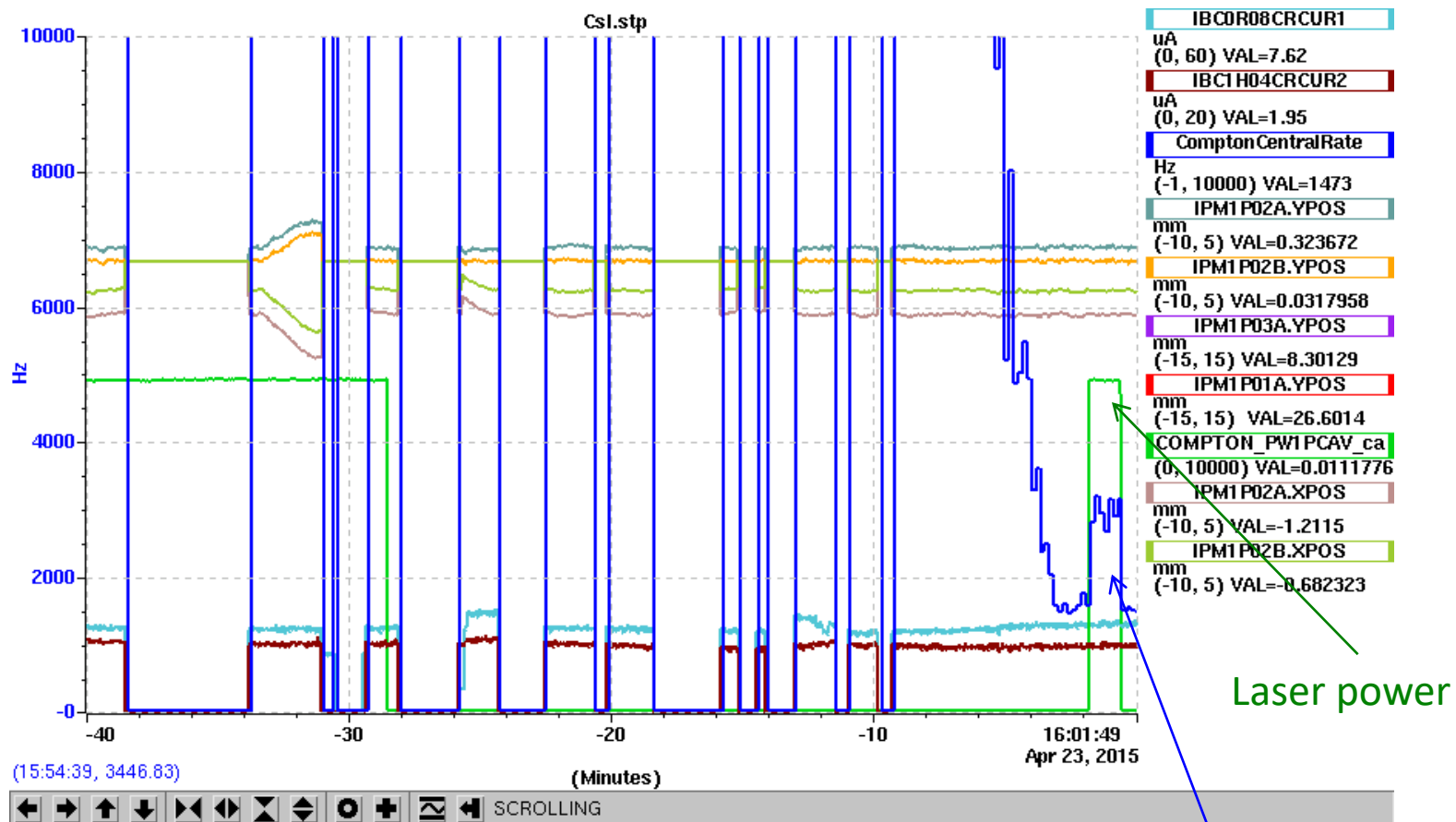
- Laser – both Hall A and Hall C use Fabry-Perot cavities to store  $>1$  kW of laser power
  - Hall A: Originally used 1064 nm narrow linewidth laser alone. Later upgraded to a frequency-doubled (532 nm) system  $\rightarrow$  modest input power (up to 1 W), high Finesse cavity
  - Hall C: Started with 532 laser (Coherent Verdi)  $\rightarrow$  higher input power (10 W), modest Finesse cavity
- Photon detector
  - Hall A: started with multi-channel lead-tungstate detector. Now use GSO (low energy) or "single channel" lead-tungstate in integrating mode
  - Hall C: lead tungstate, integrating mode
- Electron detector
  - Hall A: silicon strip, Hall C, diamond strip
  - Both will be upgrading detectors to larger area diamond strip

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## Beam tuning

# Typical initial beam tuning

Initially, backgrounds were not terrible, but still too large to see collisions – tuning required

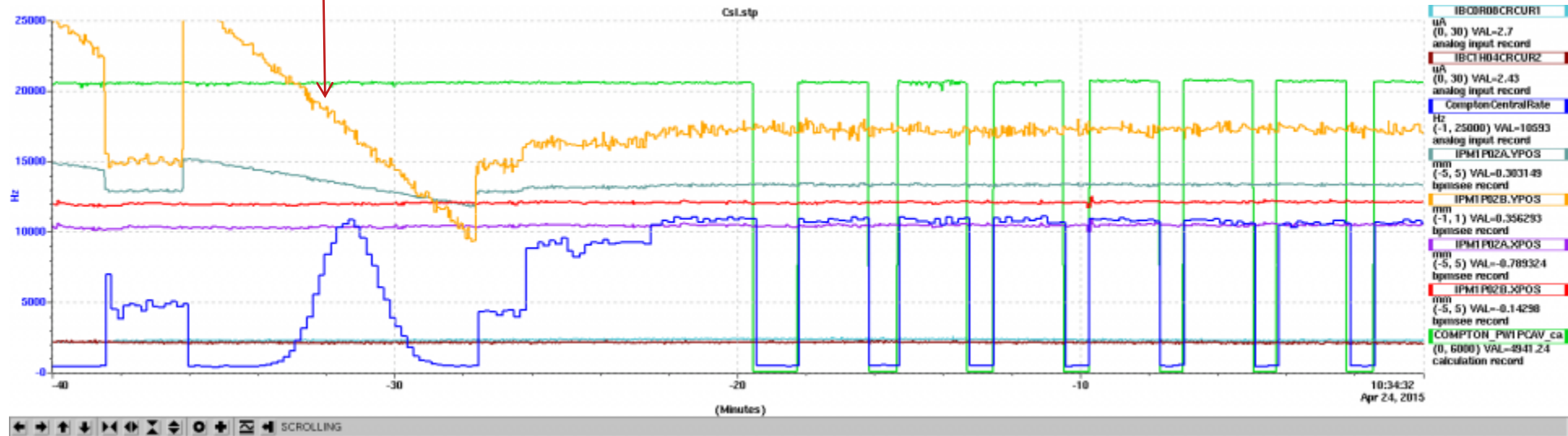


<https://logbooks.jlab.org/entry/3334743>

Photon detector rate

# Collisions with Great Signal to Noise

Vertical beam position scan



Once see collision optimize laser and electron beam interaction

# Compton Operation Mode



## Photon detector rates

Laser locks and unlocks regularly to allow measurement of backgrounds

→ Backgrounds highly dependent on beam quality

→ Sometimes extensive tuning is required to achieve good backgrounds – **dominant background from beam interaction with apertures in beamline**

→ **Prebuncher phase setting can improve background – linked to bunch length and beam halo**

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## Photon detector



# First measurement HAPPEX experiment differential method

- Happex experiment 3.3 GeV

[\[hep-ex/0203012v1\]](#) First electron beam polarization measurements with a Compton polarimeter at Jefferson Laboratory ([arxiv.org](#))

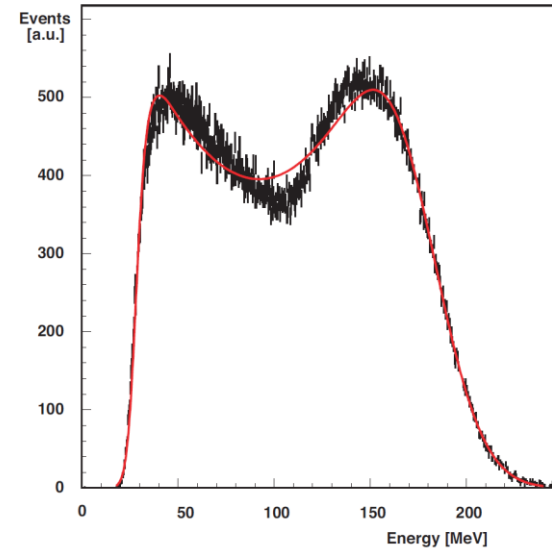
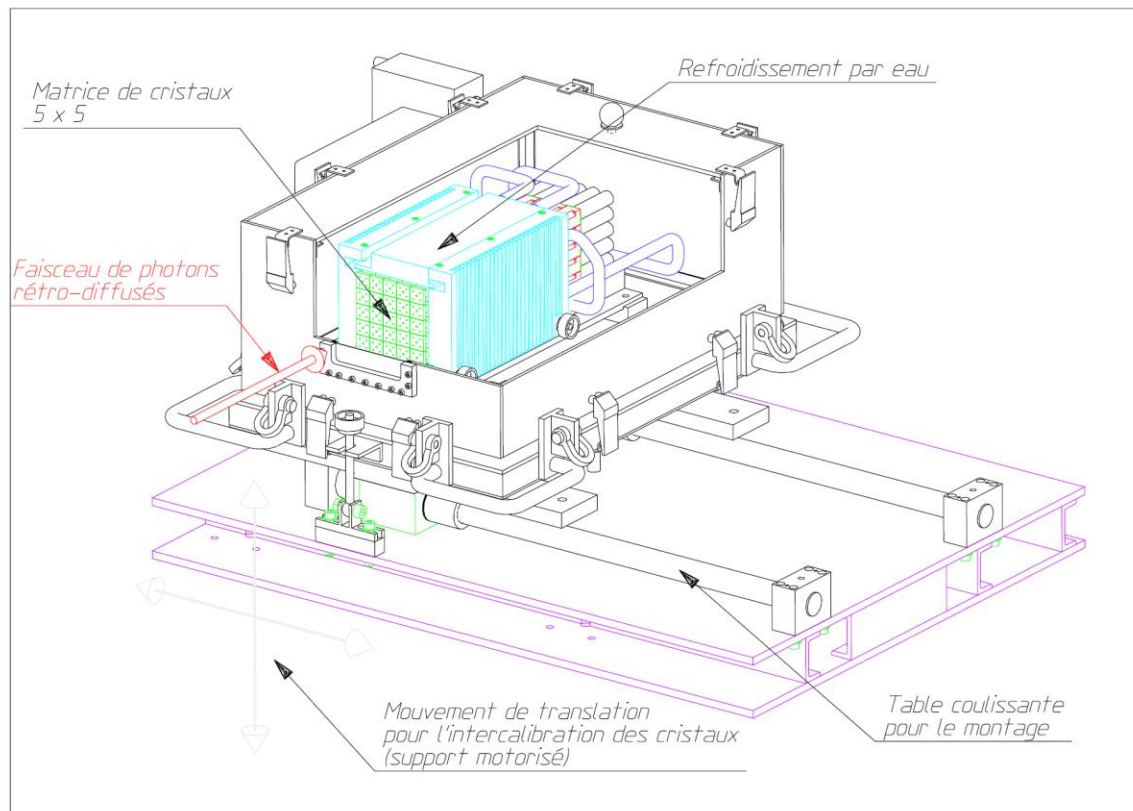


TABLE I. Average relative error budget.

Source		Systematic	Statistical
$P_\gamma$		1.1%	
$A_{exp}$	Statistical		1.4%
	$B/S$	0.5%	
	$A_B$	0.5%	1.4%
	$A_F$	1.2%	
$A_{th}$	Non-linearities	1%	
	Calibration	1%	2.4%
	Efficiency/Resolution	1.9%	
<b>Total</b>		<b>3.0%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>

# Photon Detectors

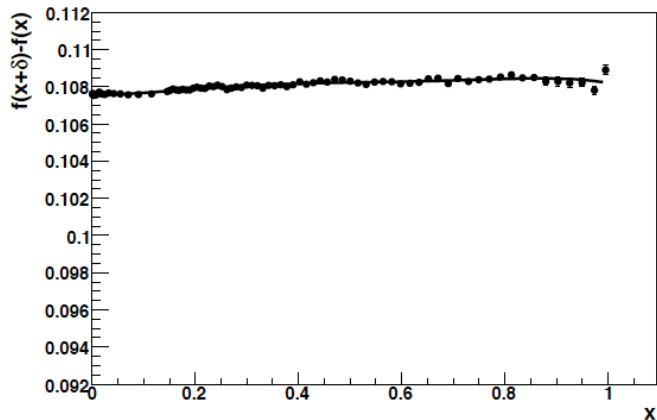
Hall A originally extracted polarization by fitting asymmetry vs. energy using lead-tungstate detector

→ Carnegie-Mellon group suggested measured energy-weighted asymmetry – asymmetry integrated over helicity window

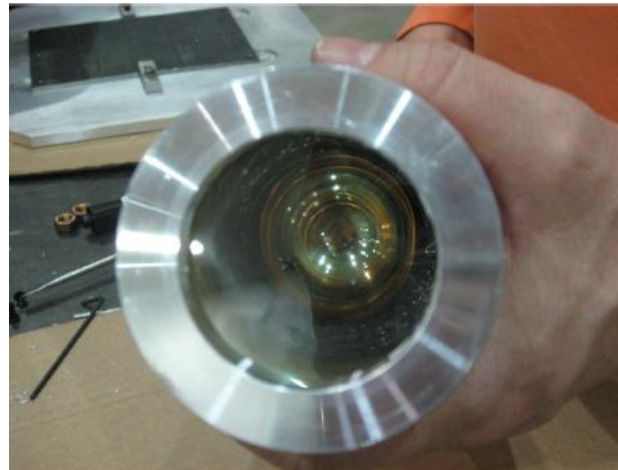
$$E^\pm = LT \int_0^{E_{\max}} \varepsilon(E) E \frac{d\sigma}{dE}(E) (1 \pm P_e P_\gamma A_l(E)) dE \quad \longrightarrow \quad A_{Exp} = \frac{E^+ - E^-}{E^+ + E^-}$$

Same technique used in Hall C

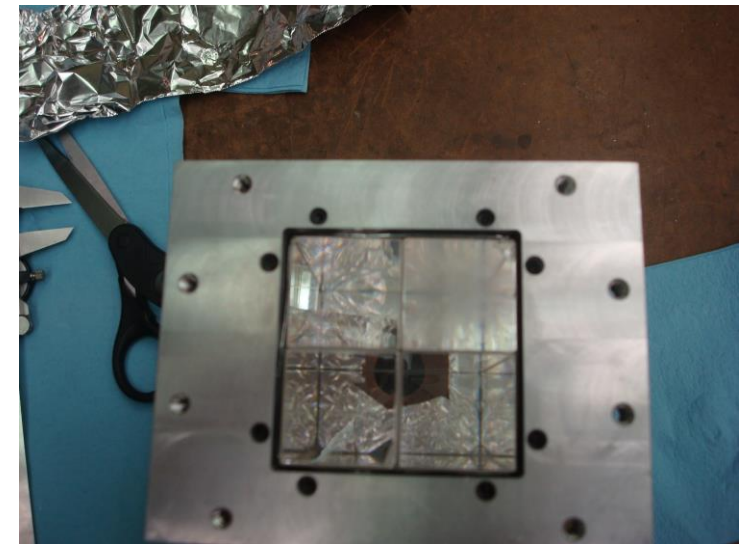
- No threshold, so analyzing power well understood
- Less sensitive to understanding detector resolution
- Understanding detector non-linearity over relevant range of signal size most significant challenge → LED pulser system



Linearity measurement



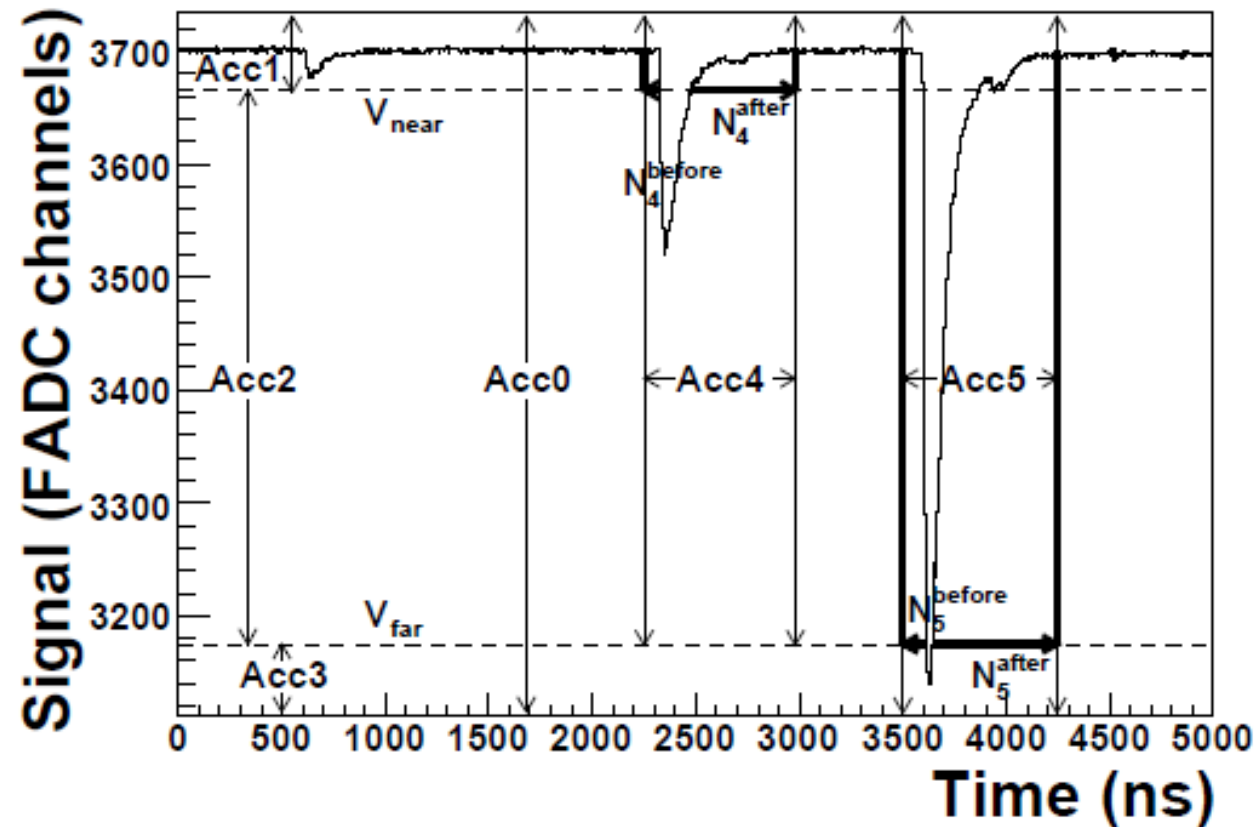
GSO - low energy



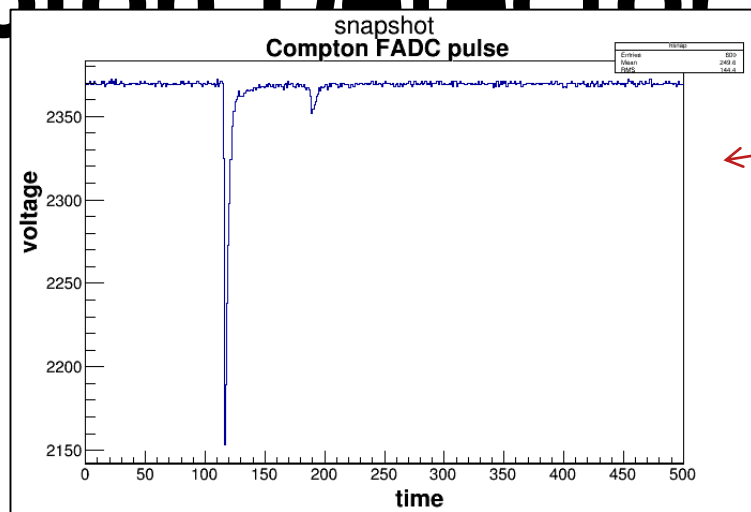
Lead-tungstate – high energy

# Hall A Photon detector

- FADC readout SIS3320 250 MHz FADC
- Digital integration



# Photon Detector Signals

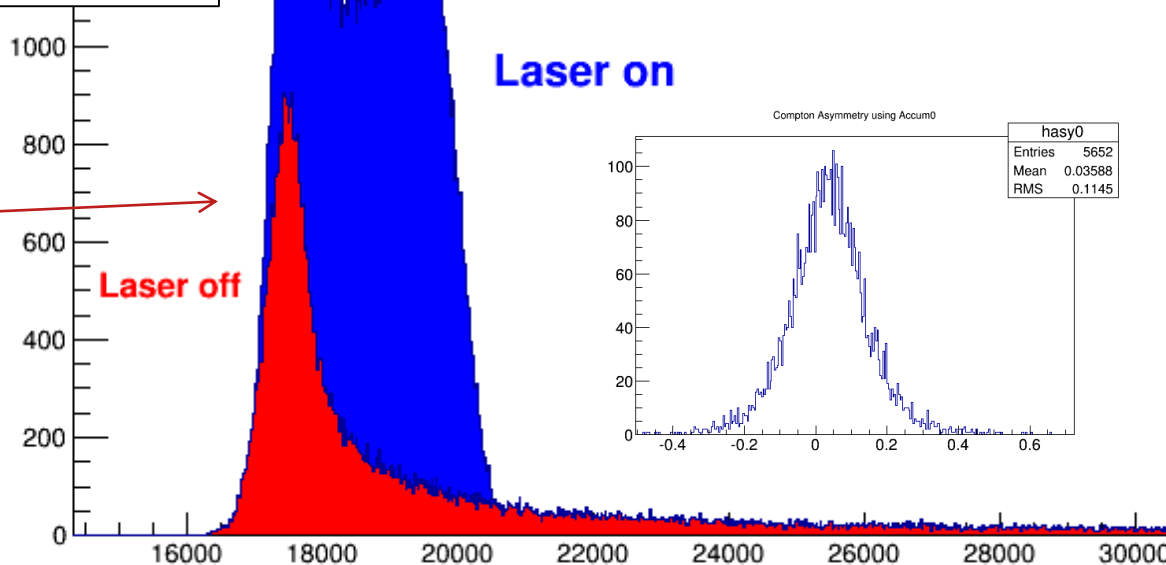


Single snapshot

Sums of Laser On Triggered Pulses: Laser On  
**Integrated Compton Signals**

hTrig_sums_laserOn	
Entries	184807
Mean	1.866e+04
RMS	1091

Integrated spectrum – has characteristic Compton shape

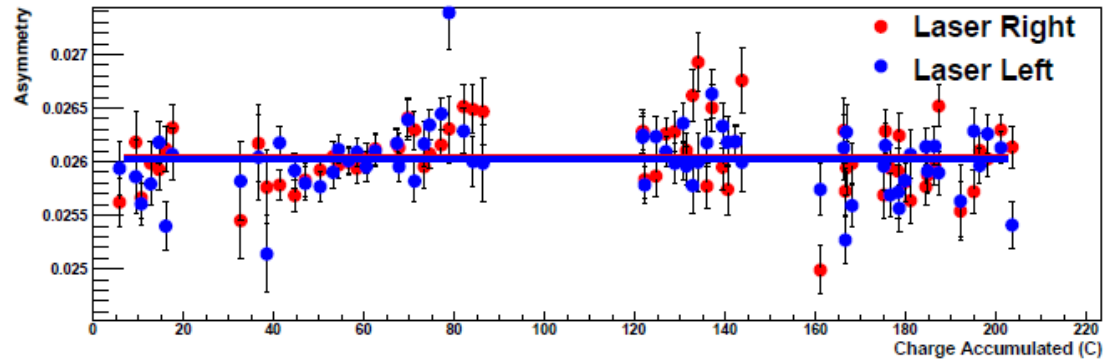


Raw asymmetry  $\sim 3.6\%$   
Right order of magnitude

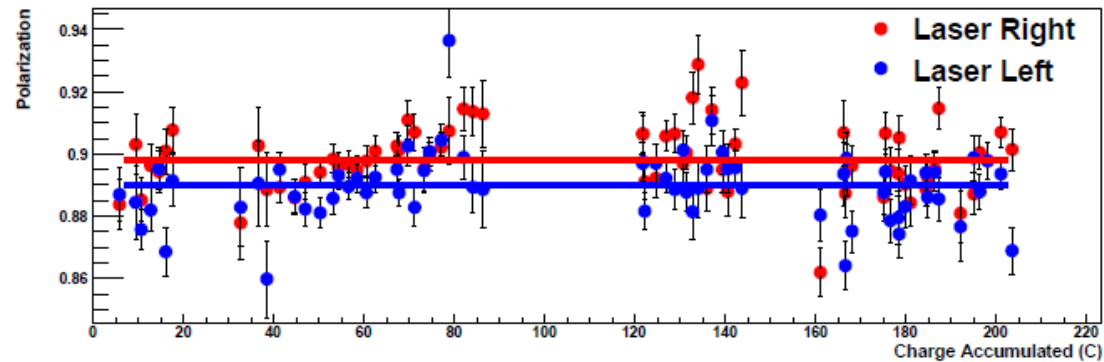
# Photon integrated method

- 1 large detector block containing all the shower gives best results because of simpler detector response
- Very successful at low energies with GSO : 1 to 3 GeV best polarization accuracies at 1% level at 1 GeV and ~0.6% at 3 GeV
- More sensitive to background
  - Low energy PREX : GSO sensitive to neutron background
  - 6 GeV data : accumulator 0 odd behavior, most likely due to large low energy background from synchrotron
    - Optimize shielding in front of calorimeter
    - Use thresholds to reduce background
  - Still need to take more high energy data

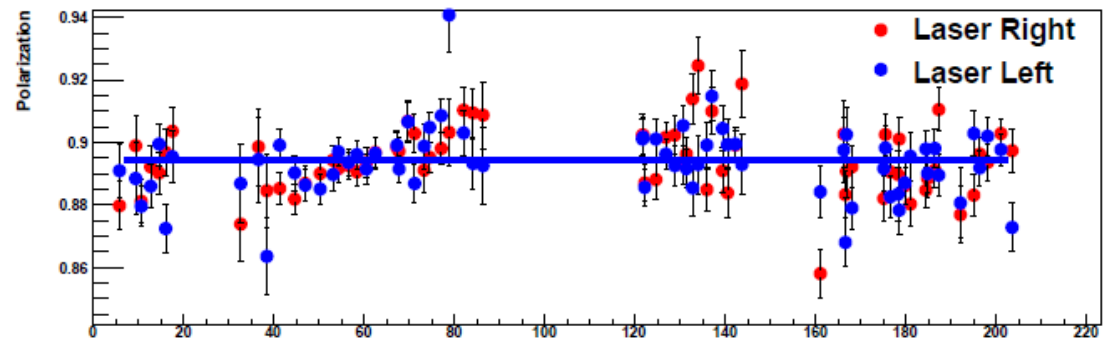
# Happex III results



(a)



(b)



Upgraded photon  
calorimeter with  
integrating readout for  
Hall A Compton  
Polarimeter at Jefferson  
Lab

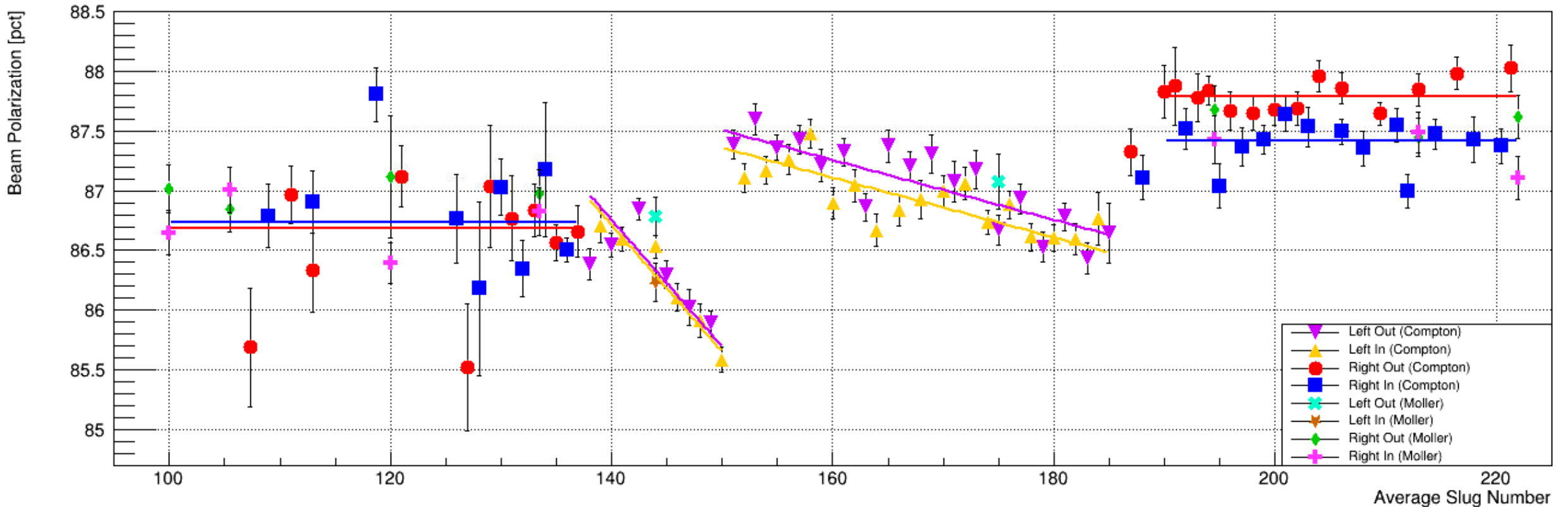
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# Hall A Compton Polarimeter – Recent Results

CREX Experiment – 2019-2020

CREX Polarization Measurements (Compton & Moller)



CREX Compton analysis:  $dP/P = 0.52\%$  Photon detector only (electron detector not fully functional)

# CREX Compton Systematic Uncertainties

Photon detector for polarization measurements

→ Electron detector installed, but used primarily for tests and commissioning new VETROC-based DAQ

Photon detector measurements made using threshold-less, energy-integrating technique

$$E^{\pm} = LT \int_0^{E_{\max}} \varepsilon(E) E \frac{d\sigma}{dE}(E) (1 \pm P_e P_{\gamma} A_t(E)) dE$$

$$A_{Exp} = \frac{E^+ - E^-}{E^+ + E^-}$$

Results in reduced sensitivity to absolute detector response

Source	$\frac{dP}{P}$ (%)
Collimator offset	0.20
Laser DOCP	0.45
Gain shift	0.15
Nonlinearity	0.02
Model	0.05
Beam energy	0.05
Statistics	0.02
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.52</b>



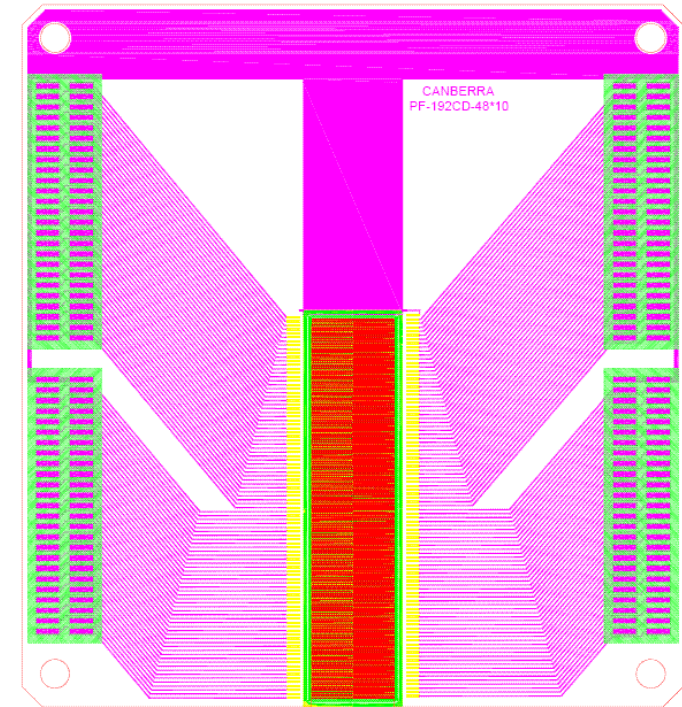
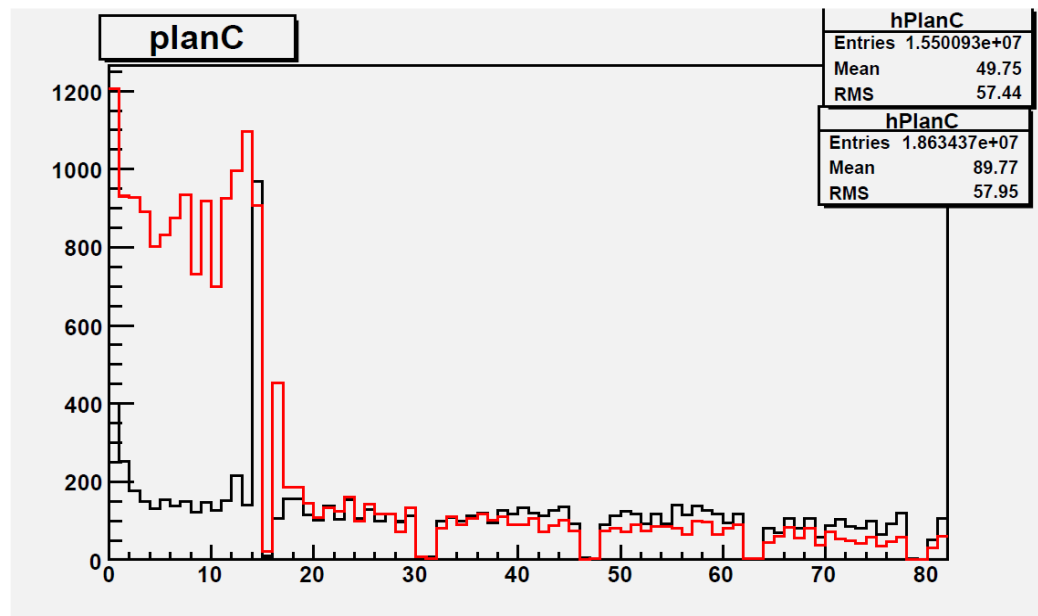
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## Electron detectors

# Hall A Compton Electron Detector

Silicon strip electron detector worked well for most of 6 GeV → replaced around the same time as upgrade of laser system

→ Updated system did not perform well – excess noise required high thresholds, resulting in low efficiency



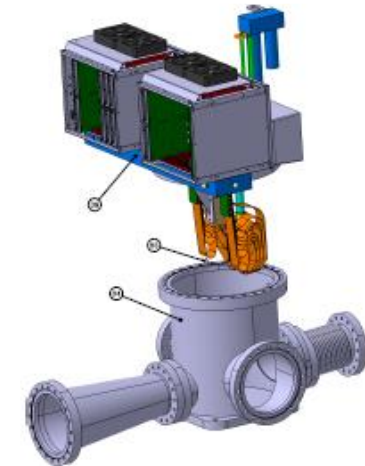
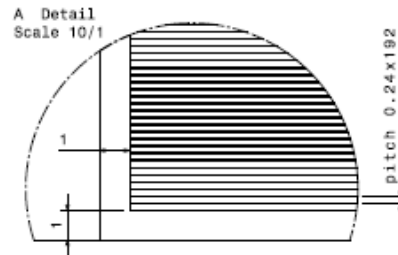
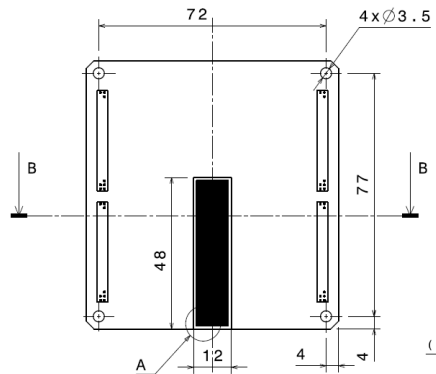
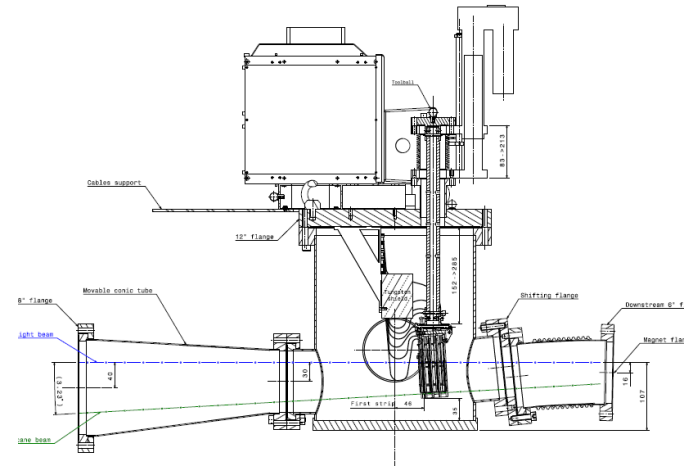
Hall A: silicon strip

→ 4.6 cm vertical coverage

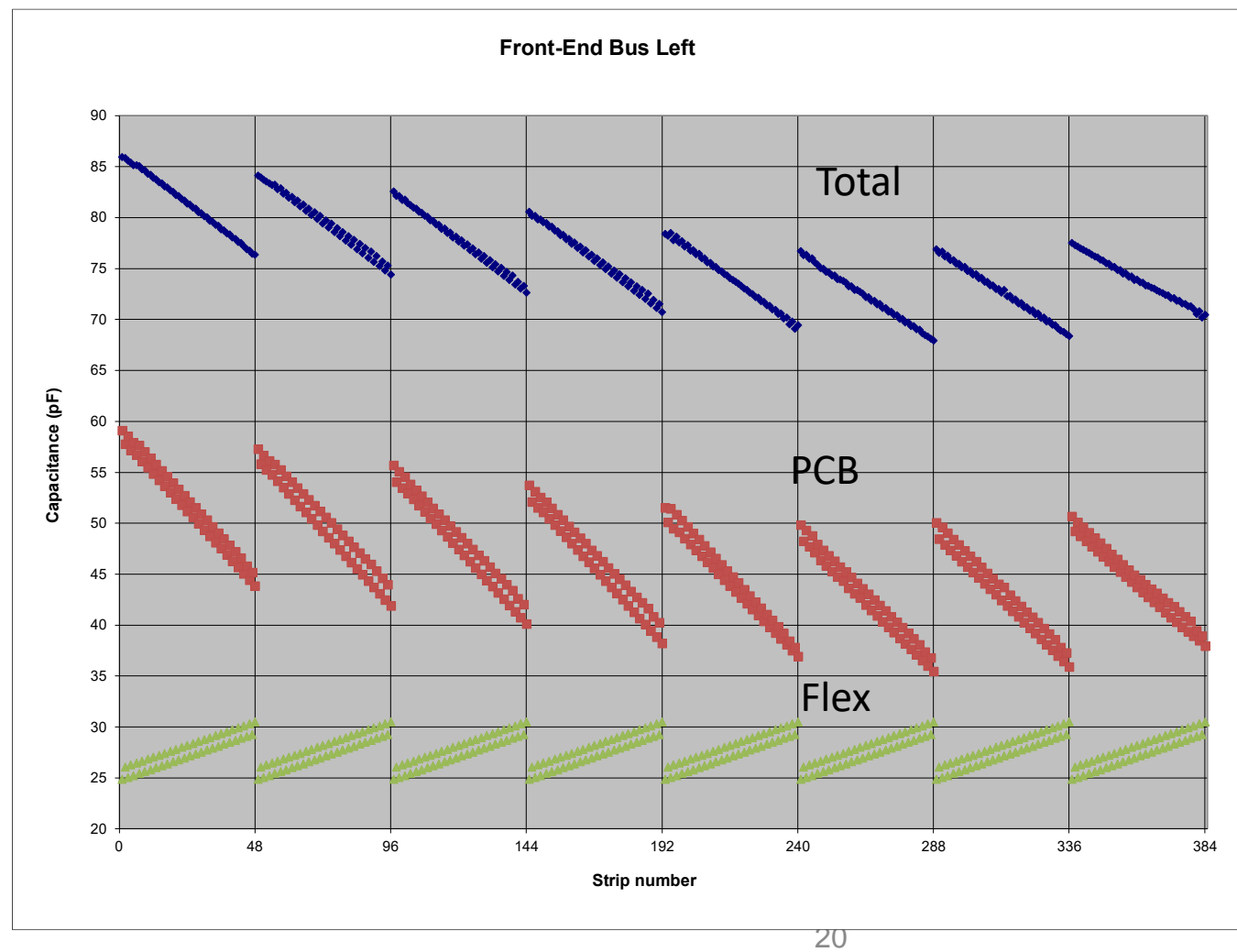
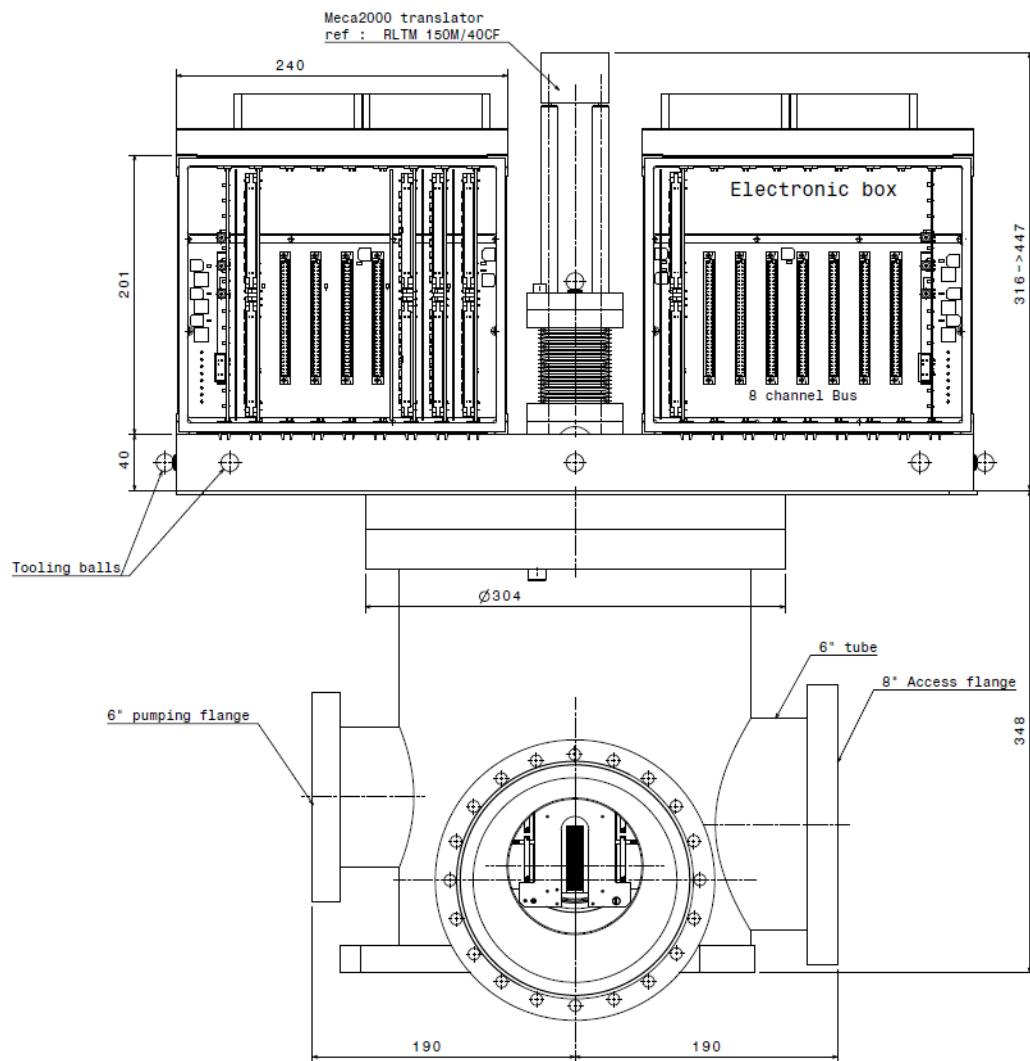
→ 192 strips, 240  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch

# Hall A Compton electron detector

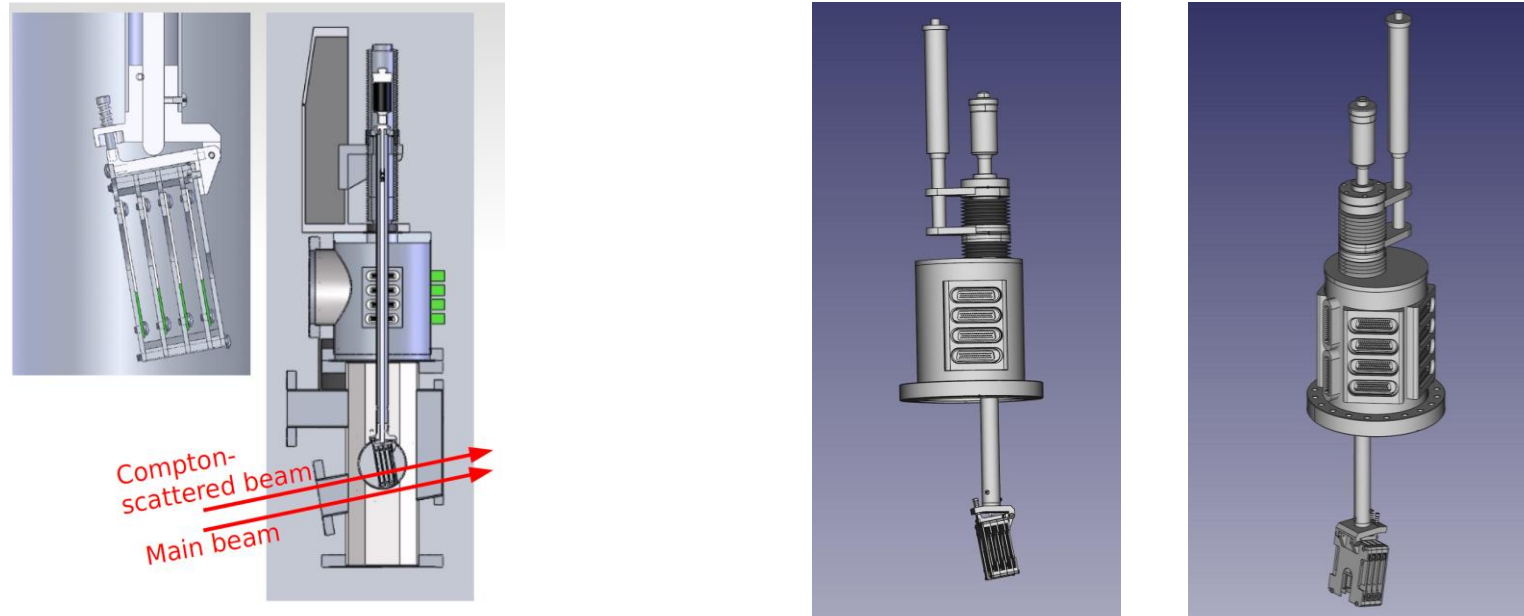
- Silicon microstrip detector
- 500  $\mu\text{m}$  thick 250  $\mu\text{m}$  thick
- 192 strips = 4.8 cm
- 4 planes
- 768 channels
- Vertical motion
- Detector -> Flex -> PCB -> Electronics



# Capacitance from PCB boards



# Hall A possible fix

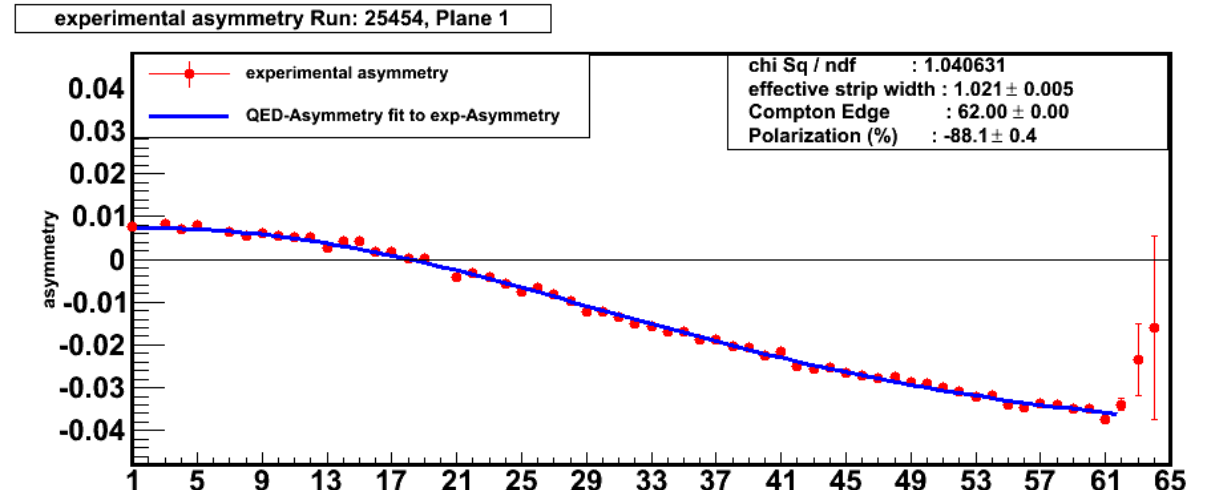
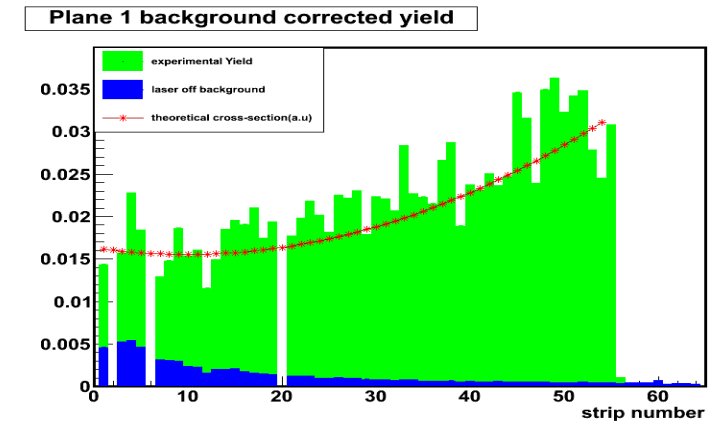
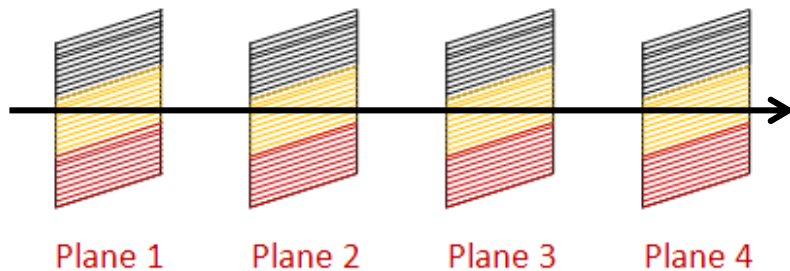
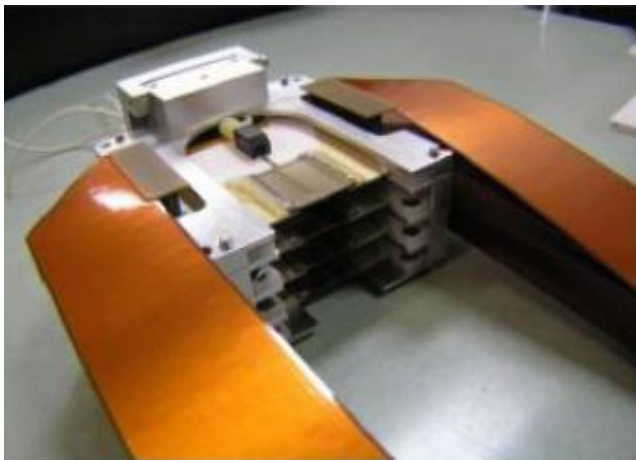


- Same chambers as diamond detector with similar cable length and electronics
- Also investigating ASIC on detector for best signal to noise

# Hall C Compton Electron Detector

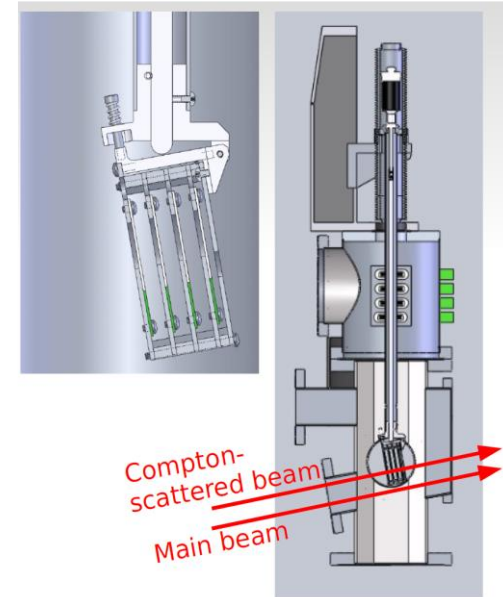
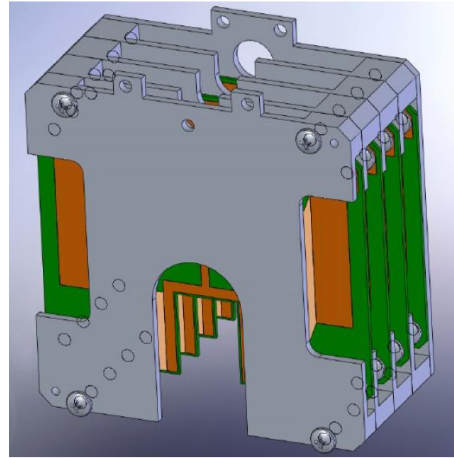
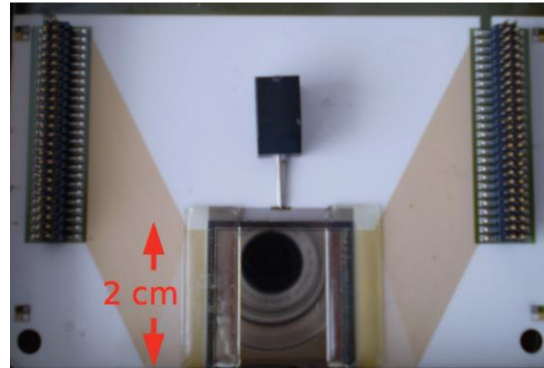
Diamond microstrips used to detect scattered electrons

- Four 21mm x 21mm planes each with 96 horizontal 200  $\mu\text{m}$  wide micro-strips.
- Rough-tracking based/coincidence trigger suppresses backgrounds
- Detector inside vacuum can – electronics outside → efficiency ok (>80%), but some variation strip-to-strip

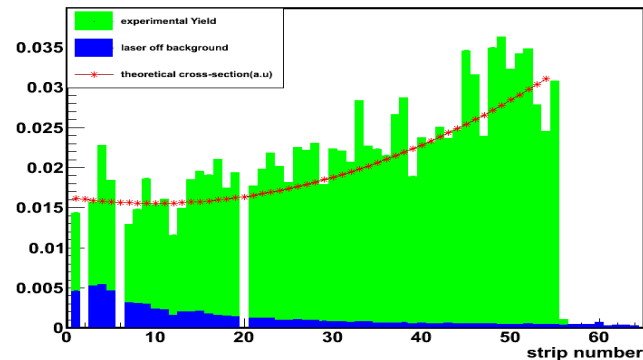


# Compton polarimeter electron detector

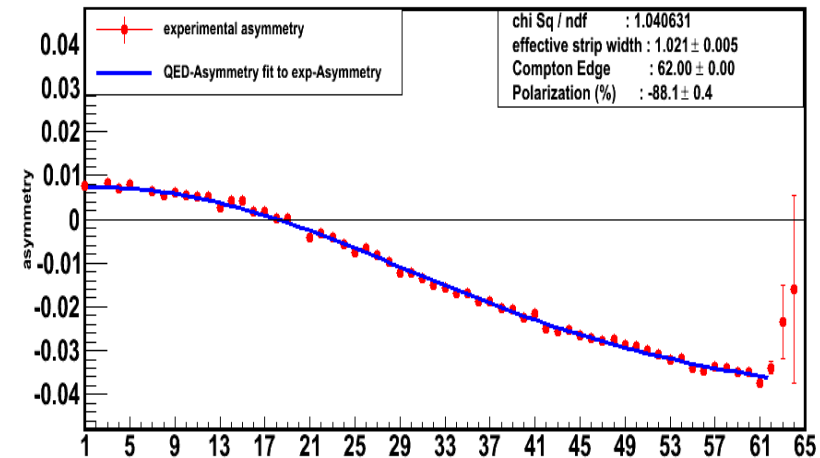
- Silicon or diamond strip option
- About 200 to 250 strips  
250  $\mu\text{m}$  width
- 5 cm length to catch zero crossing



Plane 1 background corrected yield



experimental asymmetry Run: 25454, Plane 1



# Hall C Compton Systematic Uncertainties (electron detector)

Scale uncertainty = 0.42%

Point-to-point uncertainty = 0.41%

**Total systematic uncertainty = 0.59%**

Hall C Compton performance summarized in:

Narayan *et al*, *Phys.Rev.X* 6 (2016) 1, 011013

Photon detector had significantly larger systematic uncertainties – difficult to constrain non-linearity under load

Source	Uncertainty	$\Delta P/P$ (%)
Laser polarization	0.18 %	0.18
3 <sup>rd</sup> Dipole field	0.0011 T	0.13
Beam energy	1 MeV	0.08
Detector Z position	1 mm	0.03
Trigger multiplicity	1-3 plane	0.19
Trigger clustering	1-8 strips	0.01
Detector tilt (X)	1°	0.03
Detector tilt (Y)	1°	0.02
Detector tilt (Z)	1°	0.04
Strip eff. variation	0.0 - 100%	0.1
Detector Noise	≤20% of rate	0.1
Fringe Field	100%	0.05
Radiative corrections	20%	0.05
DAQ ineff. correction	40%	0.3
DAQ ineff. pt-to-pt		0.3
Beam vert. angle variation	0.5 mrad	0.2
helicity correl. beam pos.	5 nm	< 0.05
helicity correl. beam angle	3 nrad	< 0.05
spin precession through chicane	20 mrad	< 0.03
Total		0.59



# Summary

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- Hall A and C have leveraged many years of polarization measurements to incrementally improve polarimeters to achieve high precision
- Compton require some dedicated beam tuning time as sometime injector setting need to be tuned for background
- Hall A GSO photon detector very successful with integrated method in 1 to 3 GeV range
- Electron detector
  - Diamond worked well with reasonable efficiency with careful setup
  - Silicon strip
    - Issues in Hall A
      - Capacitance
      - Scaling from 48 to 192 channels not trivial : cross talk
    - Upgrade to diamond detector, new chamber and on-detector electronics
- Developments ongoing for 12 GeV Moller experiment