

Q-weak: First Direct Measurement of the Weak Charge of the Proton

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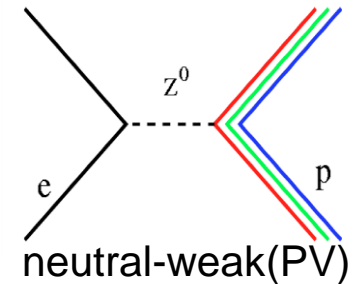
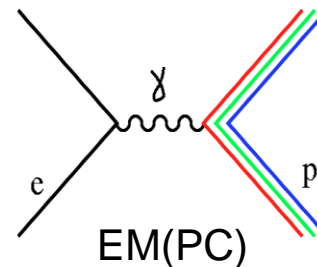
- Q-weak basics and motivation.
- Experimental setup and design.
- Analysis and preliminary results.
- Summary

Basics

The Standard Model (SM) is the most successful elementary particle theory developed so far. But missing phenomena like gravity and dark matter suggest it is a “low energy” effective theory.

Particle	EM Charge	Weak Charge	
u	2/3	$-2C_{1u} = 1 - (8/3)\sin^2\theta_W$	$\sim 1/3$
d	-1/3	$-2C_{1d} = -1 + (4/3)\sin^2\theta_W$	$\sim -2/3$
p(uud)	1	$Q_W^p = -2(2C_{1u} + C_{1d}) = 1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W$	~ 0.07
n(udd)	0	$Q_W^n = -2(C_{1u} + 2C_{1d})$	~ -1

$$\text{PV asym. } A_{ep} = \frac{\sigma_+ - \sigma_-}{\sigma_+ + \sigma_-} \approx \frac{|M_{weak}^{PV}|}{|M_{EM}|}$$



Where $\sigma_+(\sigma_-)$ is positive(negative) helicity correlated electron-proton scattering cross section. M_{weak}^{PV} and M_{EM} are the parity violating (PV) neutral current and parity conserving (PC) electromagnetic (EM) scattering amplitudes, respectively

helicity $h = \vec{S} \cdot \hat{p}$
 $h = \pm 1/2$

Q-weak Basics

Tree level PV asymmetry can be written as

$$A_{ep} = \left[\frac{-G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} \right] \left[\frac{\varepsilon G_E^\gamma G_E^Z + \tau G_M^\gamma G_M^Z - (1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W)\varepsilon' G_M^\gamma G_A^Z}{\varepsilon(G_E^\gamma)^2 + \tau(G_M^\gamma)^2} \right]$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{1}{1 + 2(1 + \tau)\tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}}, \varepsilon' = \sqrt{\tau(1 + \tau)(1 - \varepsilon^2)}, \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}$$

As $\theta \rightarrow 0$, $\varepsilon \rightarrow 1$, and $\tau \ll 1$

$$A_{ep} = \left[\frac{-G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} \right] [Q_W^p + Q^2 B(Q^2, \theta)] = A_0 [Q_W^p + Q^2 B(Q^2, \theta)]$$

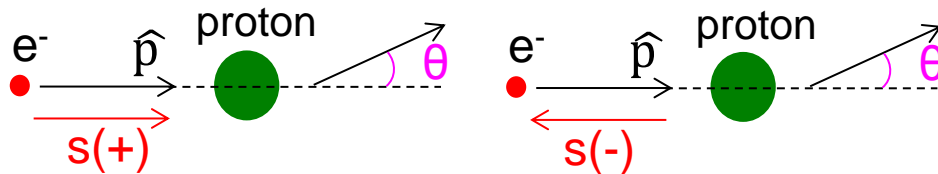
In a A_{ep}/A_0 vs Q^2 plot Q_W^p is the intercept and $B(Q^2, \theta)$ is slope

G_E^γ, G_M^γ : EM form factors (FF)
 G_E^Z, G_M^Z : weak neutral FF
 G_A^Z : axial FF
 G_F : Fermi constant

Q^2 is four momentum transfer squared
 $\sin^2\theta_W$ the weak mixing angle
 M is the proton mass
 θ is scattering angle

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

$$A_0 = \frac{-G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha}$$



$$A_{msr} = \frac{Y_+ - Y_-}{Y_+ + Y_-}$$

The scattered electron yield is integrated during each helicity state. The helicity is flipped pseudo-randomly at 960Hz

The PV asymmetry can be extracted after correcting for polarization, false asymmetry and backgrounds.

Q-weak Goal

- The objective of Q-weak experiment is to measure the parity violating asymmetry (A_{ep}) in elastic electron-proton scattering in order to extract Q_W^p .
- A_{ep} has a size of ~ 230 ppb (measuring very small number very precisely).

Error Source	$\delta(A_{ep})/A_{ep}$ [%]	$\delta(Q_W^p)/Q_W^p$ [%]
Statistical	2.1	3.2
Hadronic Structure	–	1.5
Polarimetry	1.0	1.5
Q^2 Determination	0.5	1.0
Backgrounds	0.5	0.7
Helicity-Correlated Beam Properties	0.5	0.8
Total	2.5	4.2

Expected uncertainty goal with full statistics (from 2007 proposal)

This presentation includes $\sim 4\%$ of total data set.

Jefferson Lab



The Q-weak experiment was performed at Hall-C of Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (JLab) at Newport News, VA, USA during November 2010 to May 2012 although preparation started in 2001.

Q-weak Apparatus

Horizontal drift chambers

Quartz Cerenkov bars

$E_{\text{beam}} = 1.155 \text{ GeV}$
 $\langle Q^2 \rangle \sim 0.025 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$
 $\langle \theta \rangle \sim 7.9^\circ \pm 3^\circ$
 $\varphi \text{ coverage} \sim 49\% \text{ of } 2\pi$
 Current = 145 (180) μA
 Polarization = 89%
 Target = 34.4 cm LH_2
 Cryopower = 2.5 kW
 Luminosity $2 \times 10^{39} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

Electron beam

Target

Collimators

Toroidal magnet spectrometer

Vertical drift chambers

Trigger scintillator

Red = low-current tracking mode (production current $\times 10^{-6}$)

Blue = production ("integrating") mode

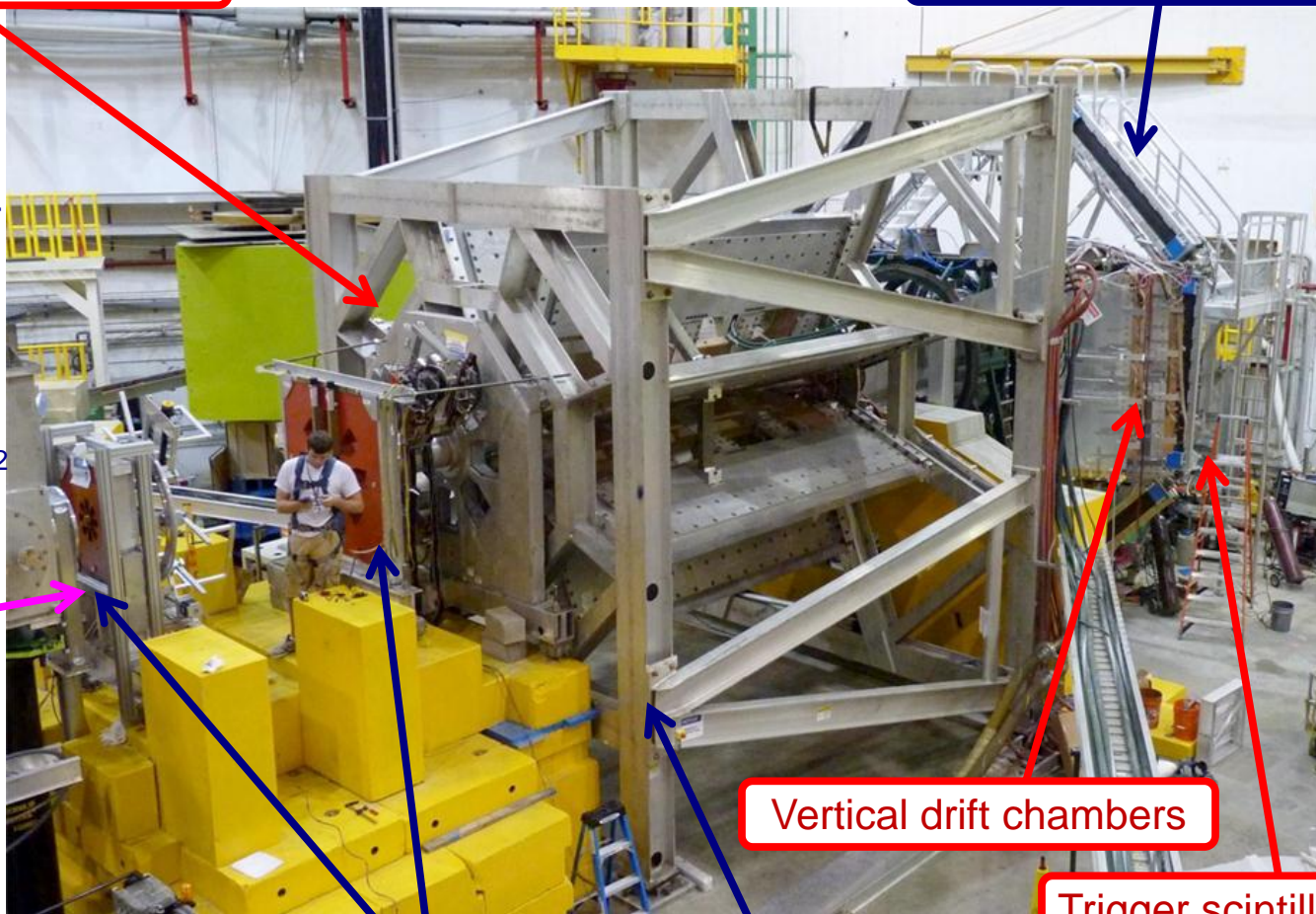
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Extracting PV Asymmetry

Extracting physics asymmetry

$$A_{ep} = R_{total} \left[\frac{\frac{A_{msr}}{P} - \sum_{i=1}^4 A_i f_i}{1 - \sum_{i=1}^4 f_i} \right]$$

$$A_{msr} = A_{raw} + A_T + A_L + A_{reg}$$

$$R_{total} = R_{RC} R_{Det} R_{Bin} R_{Q^2}$$

Radiative correction (1.010 ± 0.005)
 Detector Bias (1.010 ± 0.005)
 Kinematic Q² calibration correction (1.010 ± 0.005)

	Correction Value (ppb)	Contribution to ΔA _{ep} (ppb)	
Normalization Factors Applied to A _{Raw}			
Beam Polarization 1/P	-21	5	
Kinematics R _{tot}	5	9	
Bckgrnd Dilution 1/(1 - f _{tot})	-7	-	
Asymmetry corrections			
Beam Asymmetries κA _{reg}	-40	13	
Transverse Polarization κA _T	0	5	
Detector Linearity κA _L	0	4	
Backgrounds		κP f _i A _i	δ(f _i) δ(A _i)
Target Windows (b ₁)		-58	4 8
Beamline Scattering (b ₂)		11	3 23
Other Neutral bkg (b ₃)		0	1 < 1
Inelastics (b ₄)		1	1 < 1

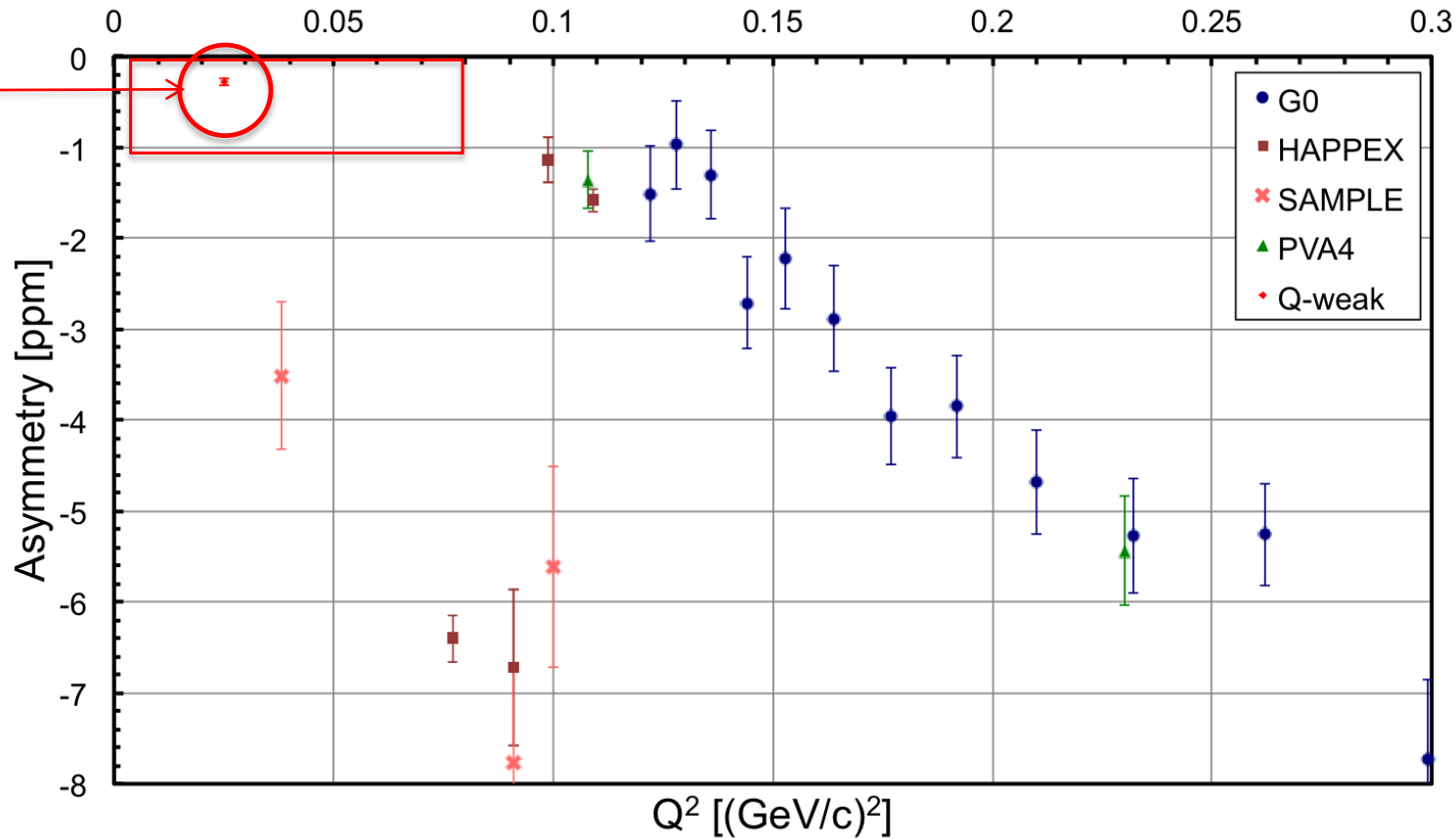
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Submitted to PRL this year.
<http://arxiv.org/abs/1307.5275>

at <Q²> = 0.0250 ± 0.0006 (GeV/c)²

$$A_{ep} = -279 \pm 35 \text{ (statistics)} \pm 31 \text{ (systematics) ppb}$$

Extracting PV Asymmetry



Error bar is hard to visualize!

Our A & ΔA are ~3 times smaller than nearest competitor.

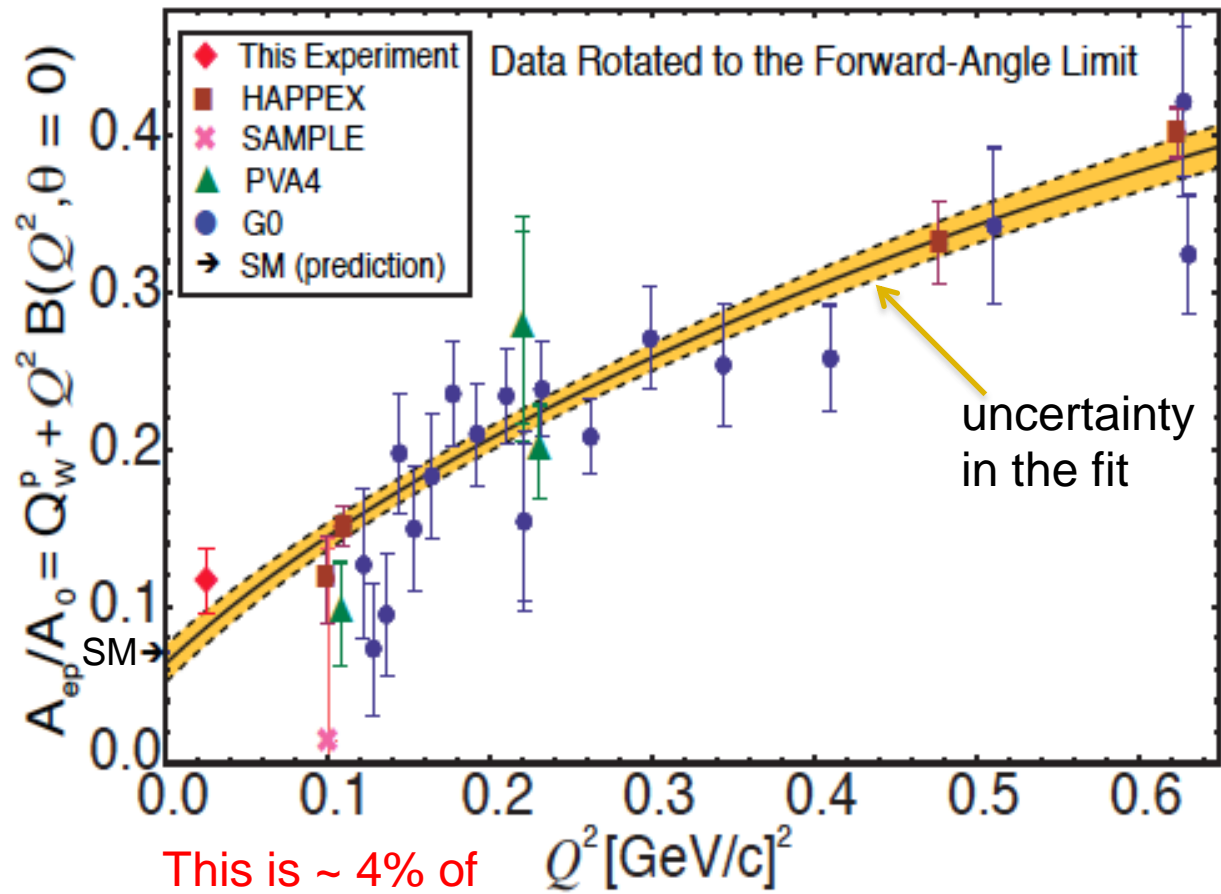
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Our result increased consistency with SM calculation
 $Q_W^p(\text{SM}) = 0.0710 \pm 0.0007$



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$$Q_W^p(\text{PVES}) = 0.064 \pm 0.012$$

Impact on C_{1u} and C_{1d}

$$Q_W^p = -2(C_{1u} + 2C_{1d})$$

$$Q_W^n = -2(2C_{1u} + C_{1d})$$

Q_W^p along with Atomic Parity Violation (APV) constrain on the neutral-weak quark coupling constants $C_{1u} - C_{1d}$ (isovector) and $C_{1u} + C_{1d}$ (isoscalar).

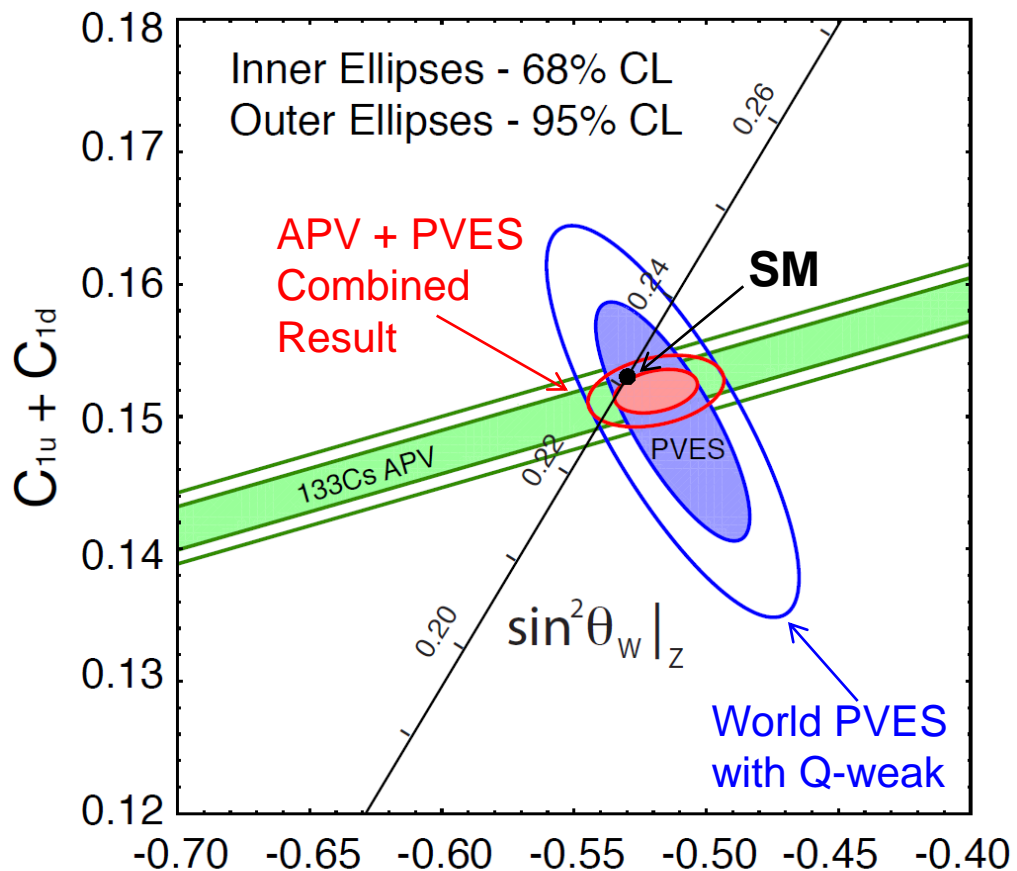
$$C_{1u} = -0.184 \pm 0.005$$

$$C_{1d} = 0.336 \pm 0.005$$

Neutron weak charge is extracted for the first time.

Our result for neutron is in agreement with SM value

$$Q_W^n(\text{SM}) = -0.9890 \pm 0.0007$$



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$C_{1u} - C_{1d}$
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$$Q_W^n(\text{PVES+APV}) = -0.975 \pm 0.010$$

Ancillary Measurements

In addition to the ~ 4% measurement of the proton's weak charge, numerous other interesting ancillary measurements:

- Elastic transverse asymmetry (proton)
- Elastic transverse asymmetry (aluminum, carbon)
- PV asymmetry in $N \rightarrow \Delta$ region.
- Transverse asymmetry in the $N \rightarrow \Delta$ region (proton)
- Transverse asymmetry in the $N \rightarrow \Delta$ region (aluminum, carbon)
- PV deep inelastic scattering γZ box diagram constraining
- Transverse asymmetry in the PVDIS region (3.3 GeV)
- PV asymmetries in pion photoproduction
- Transverse asymmetries in pion photoproduction
- Measurements of elastic PV asymmetry on aluminum(alloys)/ carbon

Plenty of projects, plenty of results, 20+ theses....

Summary

Q-weak has produced the first direct measurement of the weak charge of the proton, with **~4% of the total data set**.

The result is a 16.8% measurement of the PV asymmetry at $\langle Q^2 \rangle = 0.0250 \pm 0.0006 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$

$$A_{ep} = -279 \pm 35 \text{ (statistics)} \pm 31 \text{ (systematics) ppb}$$

This is a 18.7% measurement of the weak charge of the proton

$$Q_W^p(\text{PVES}) = 0.064 \pm 0.012$$

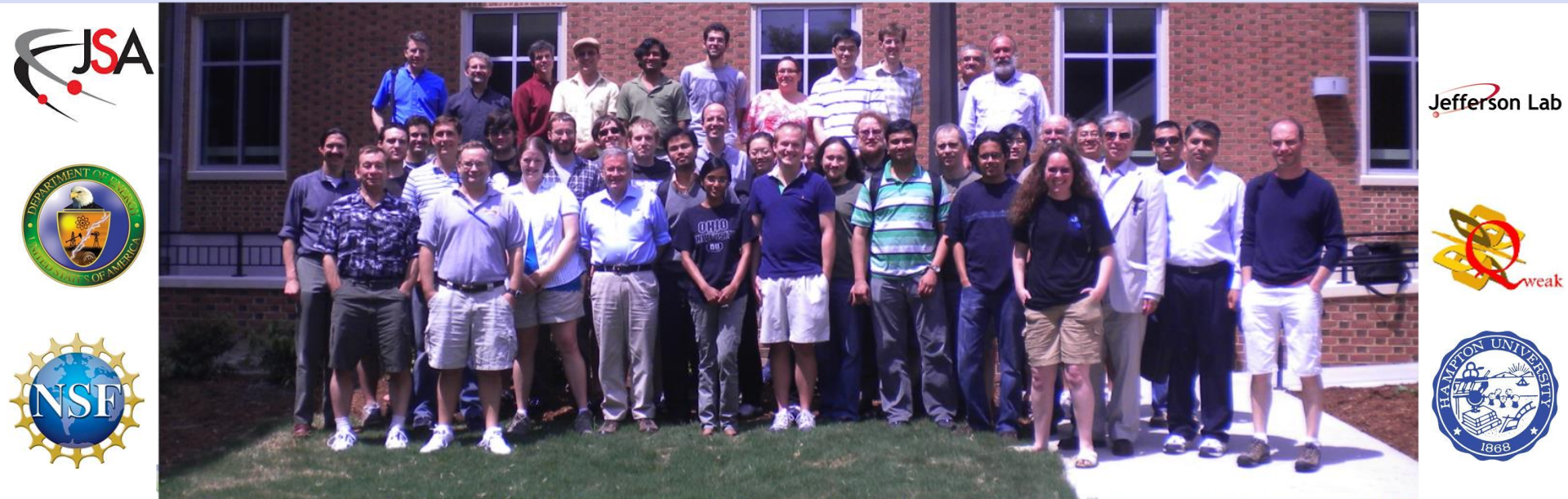
At the effective kinematics $Q_W^p(\text{SM}) = 0.0710 \pm 0.0007$

Weak charge of neutron using this data along with PVES and APV extracted as

$$Q_W^n(\text{PVES+APV}) = -0.975 \pm 0.010$$

- Expect to report results with 5 times smaller uncertainties in about a year.
- Demonstrated the technological base for future high precision SM tests using PVES at an upgraded 12 GeV Jefferson Lab.

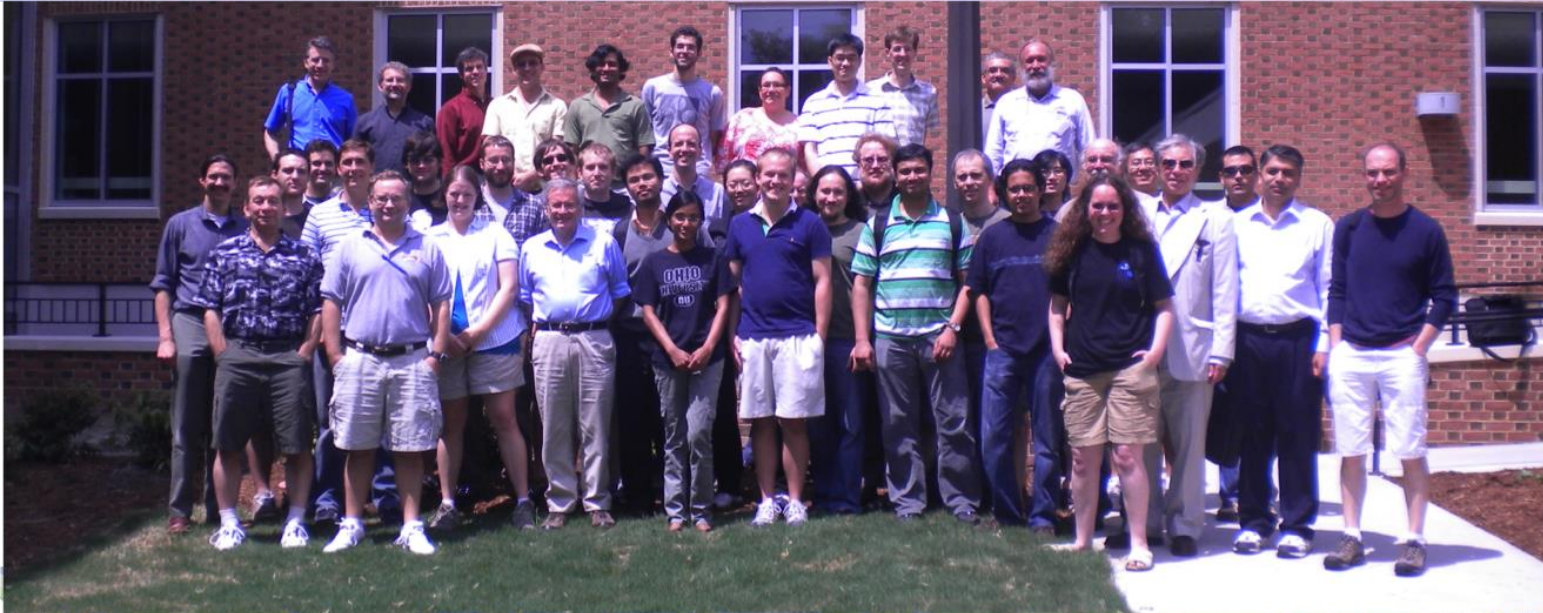
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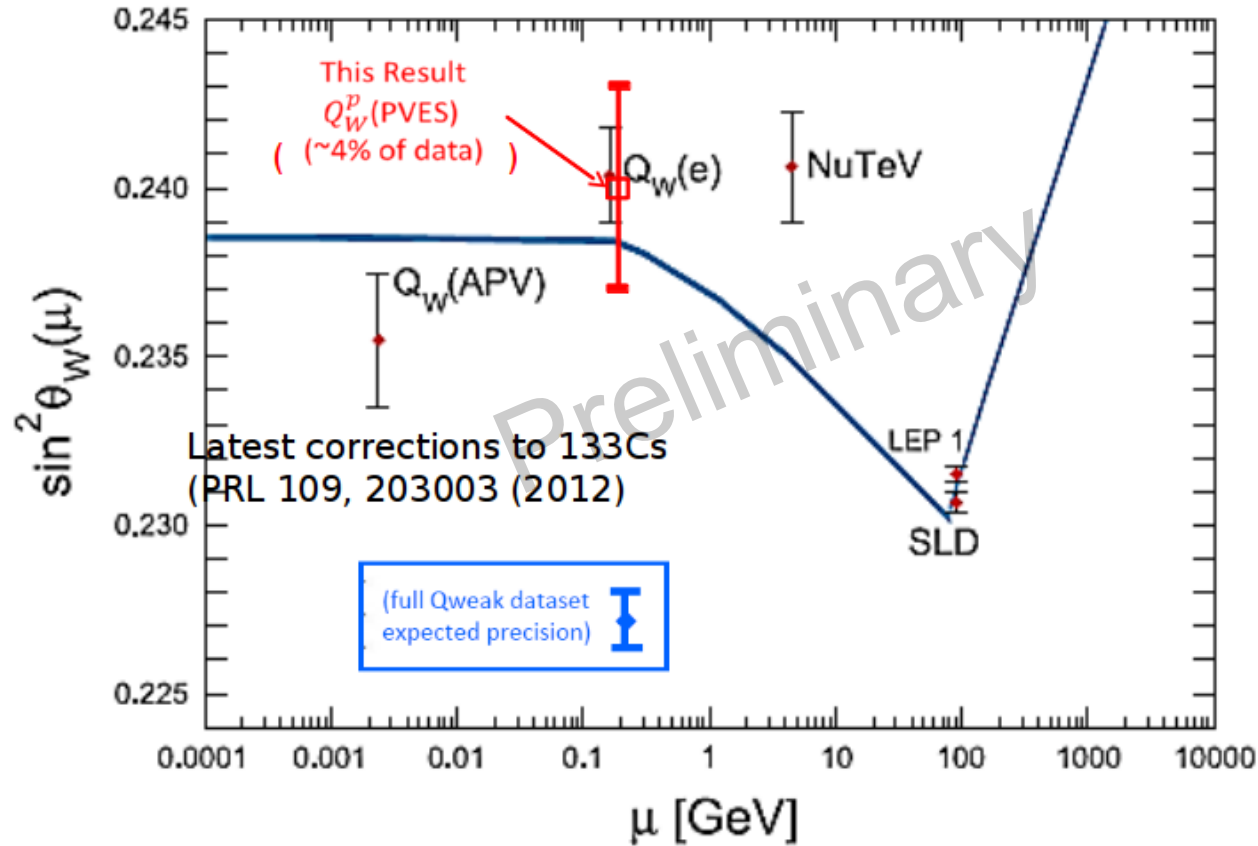
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Running of $\sin^2\theta_W$

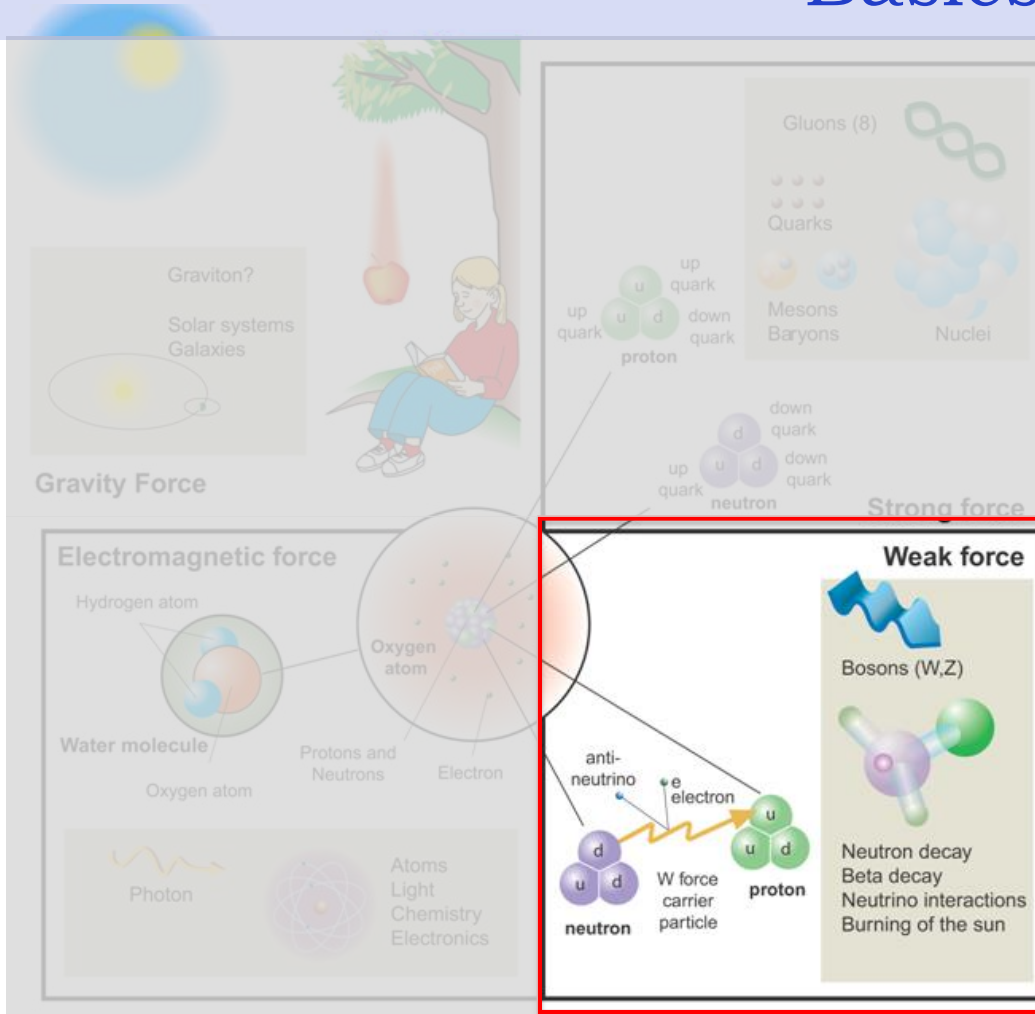
The SM predicts the running of $\sin^2\theta_W(Q)$ based on the measurement done at the Z-pole.

Running of $\sin^2\theta_W$ is due to higher order RC varies with Q^2 .

Q-weak will measure the $\sin^2\theta_W(Q)$ to 0.3% with full statistics.



Basics



Four forces: strong, weak, electromagnetic and gravitational.

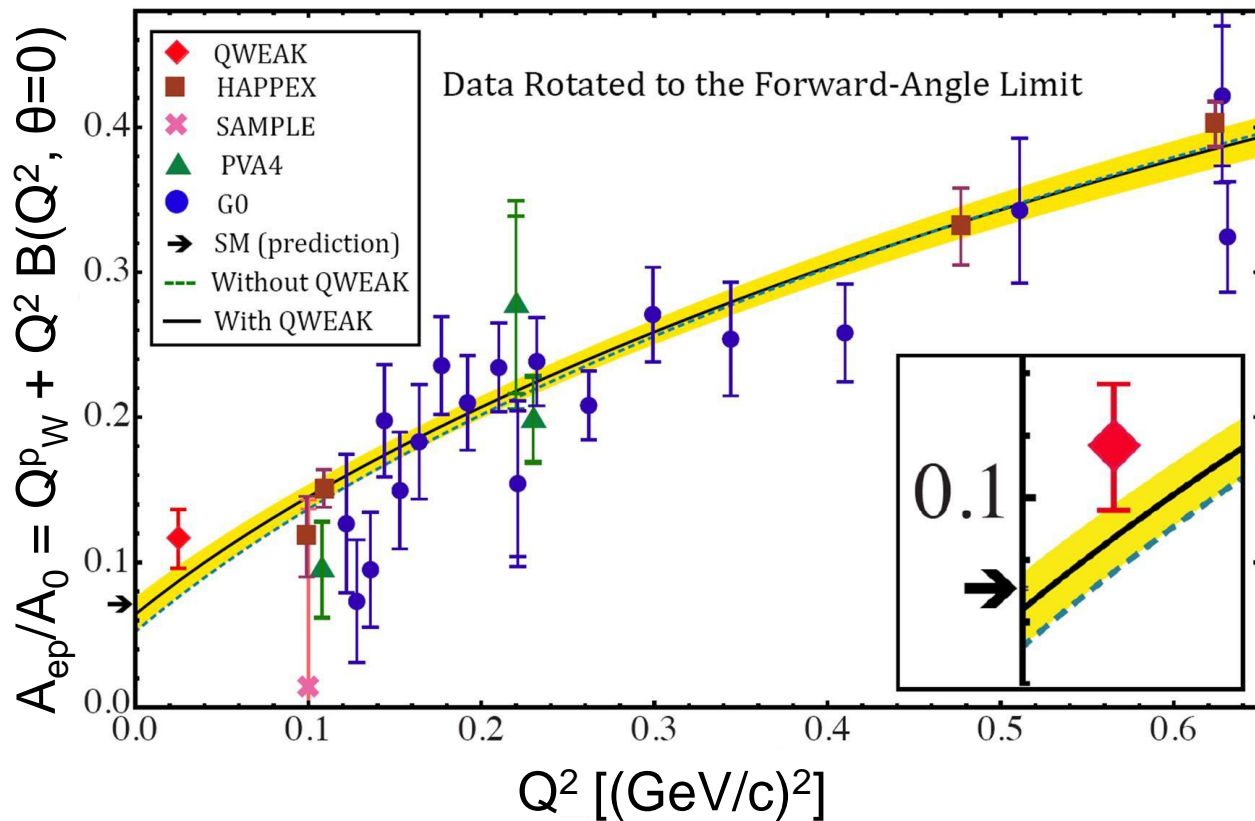
The proton, consisting of three quarks, is the simplest particle that experiences all the fundamental forces.

The strength of the weak force between interacting quarks and other weakly interacting particles can be characterized by their weak charge (distinct from their electric charge).

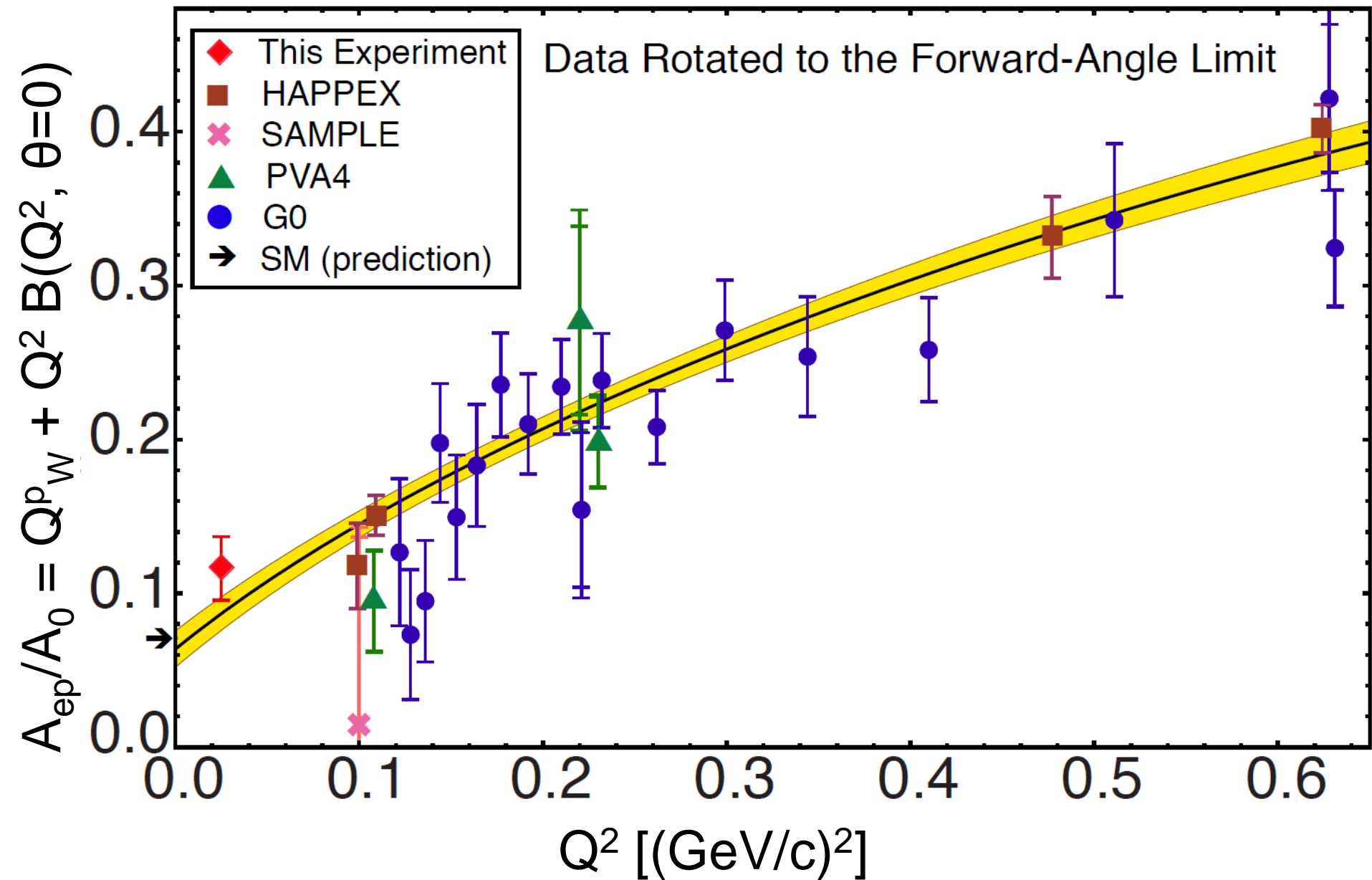
The weak force stands distinct because it violates a fundamental symmetry of nature called parity. This distinctness is often exploited to measure properties related to the weak force.

Result from 4% of Total Data

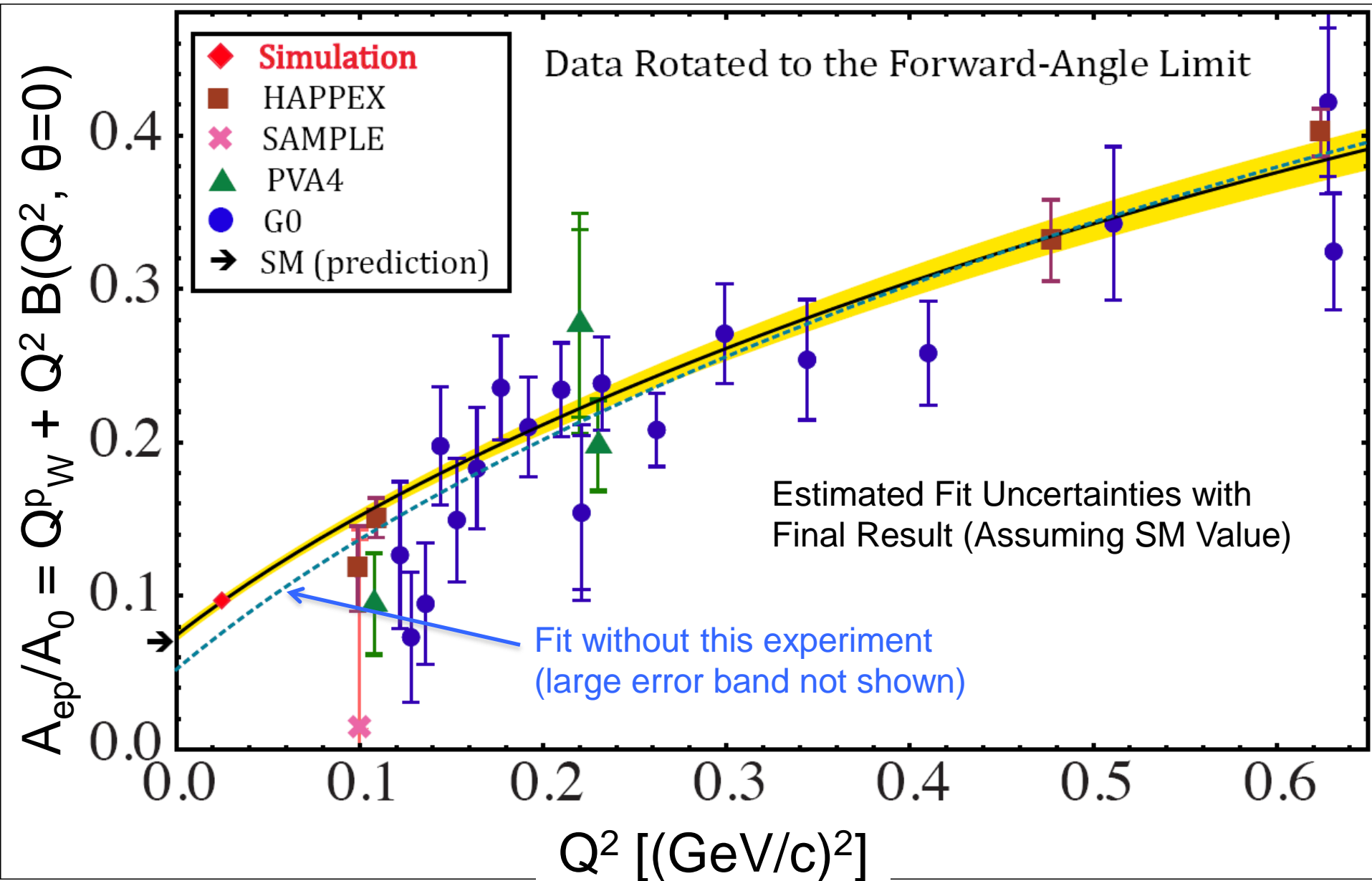
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Simulated Result from Full Data Set



Electroweak Corrections

$$Q_W^P = [\rho_{NC} + \Delta_e][1 - 4 \sin^2 \hat{\theta}_W(0) + \Delta'_e] + \square_{WW} + \square_{ZZ} + \square_{\gamma Z}$$

$\square_{\gamma Z}$ contribution to Q_W^P (Qweak kinematics)

~7% correction

Gorchtein & Horowitz

PRL 102, 091806 (2009)

0.0026 ± 0.0026

Sibirtsev, Blunden & Melnitchouk, Thomas

PRD 82, 013011 (2010)

$0.0047^{+0.0011}_{-0.0004}$

Rislow & Carlson

PRD 83, 13007 (2011)

0.0057 ± 0.0009

Gorchtein, Horowitz & Ramsey-Muslof

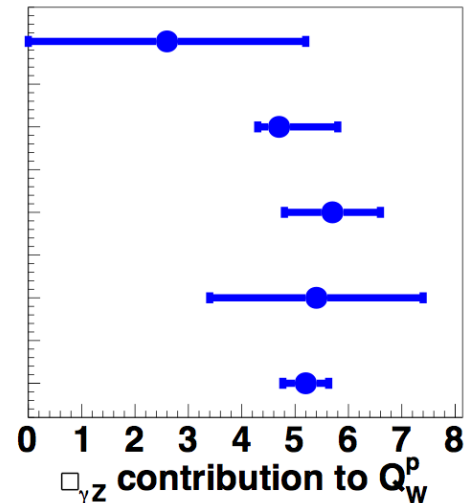
PRC 84, 015502 (2011)

0.0054 ± 0.0020

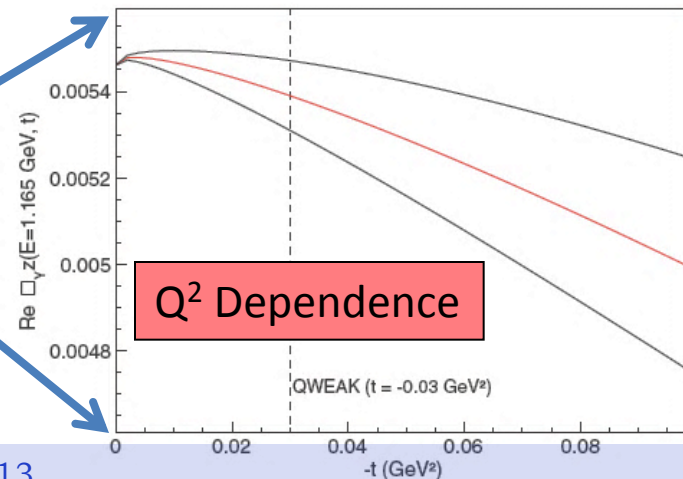
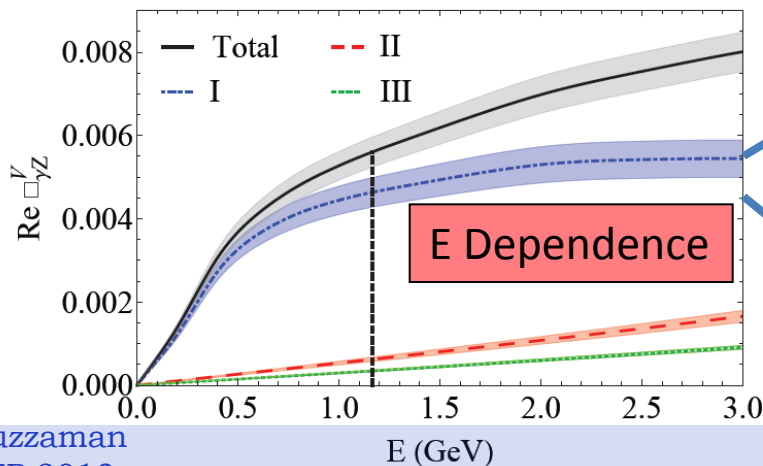
Hall, Blunden, Melnitchouk, Thomas & Young

arXiv:1304.7877 (2013) (calculation constrained by PVDIS data)

0.0052 ± 0.00043



- Calculations are primarily dispersion theory type
 - error estimates can be firmed up with data!
- Qweak: inelastic asymmetry data taken at $W \sim 2.3$ GeV, $Q^2 = 0.09$ GeV²

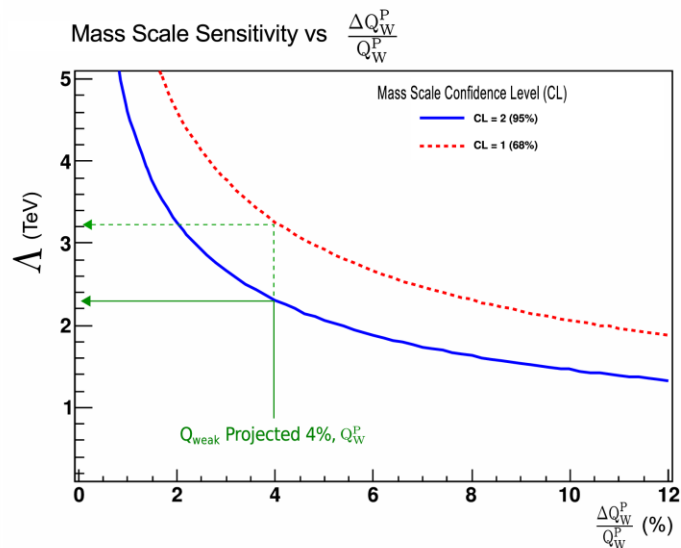


Global PVES Fit Details

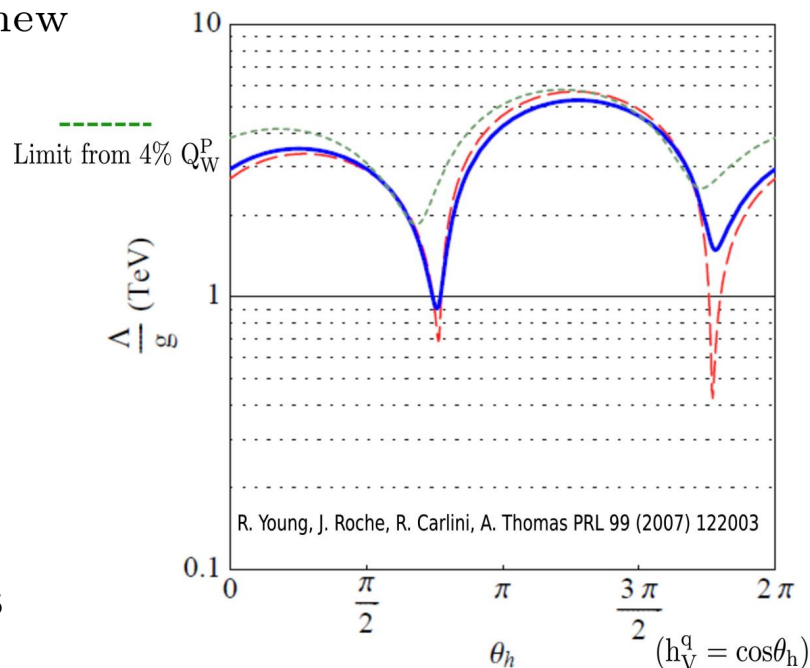
- 5 free parameters ala Young, et al. PRL 99, 122003 (2007):
 - $C_{1u}, C_{1d}, \rho_s, \mu_s$, & isovector axial FF G_A^Z
 - $G_E^S = \rho_s Q^2 G_D, G_M^S = \mu_s G_D$, & G_A^Z use G_D where
 - $G_D = (1 + Q^2/\lambda^2)^{-2}$ with $\lambda = 1 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Employs all PVES data up to $Q^2=0.63 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$
 - On p, d, & ^4He targets, forward and back-angle data
 - SAMPLE, HAPPEX, G0, PVA4
- Uses constraints on isoscalar axial FF G_A^Z
 - Zhu, et al., PRD 62, 033008 (2000)
- All data corrected for E & Q^2 dependence of \square_{yz} RC
 - Hall et al., arXiv:1304.7877 (2013) & Gorchtein et al., PRC84, 015502 (2011)
- Effects of varying Q^2, θ , & λ studied, found to be small

Model Independent Constraint, New PV Physics

$$L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{PV}} = \underbrace{-\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{e} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 e \cdot \sum_q C_{1q} \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q}_{L_{\text{SM}}^{\text{PV}}} + \underbrace{\frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 e \sum_q h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q}_{L_{\text{new}}^{\text{PV}}} \quad \begin{aligned} h_V^u &= \cos\theta_h \\ h_V^d &= \sin\theta_h \end{aligned}$$



g is the new physics coupling while Λ is the new PV physics mass scale



The bounds on new quark-lepton PV physics scale

New physics is ruled out below the curve at 95% C.L.

$$\delta Q_W^P = (Q_W^P)_{Q_{\text{Weak}}} - (Q_W^P)_{\text{SM}}$$

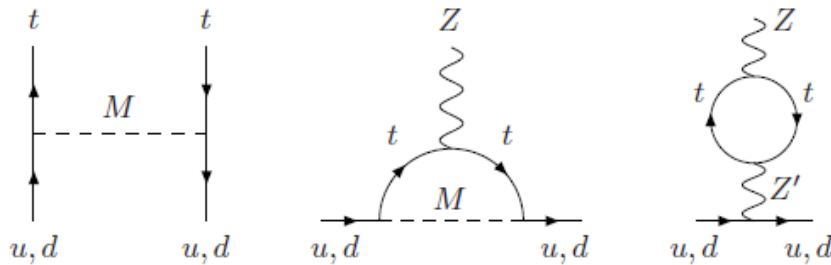
Model Dependent New Physics

CDF and D0 results of the forward

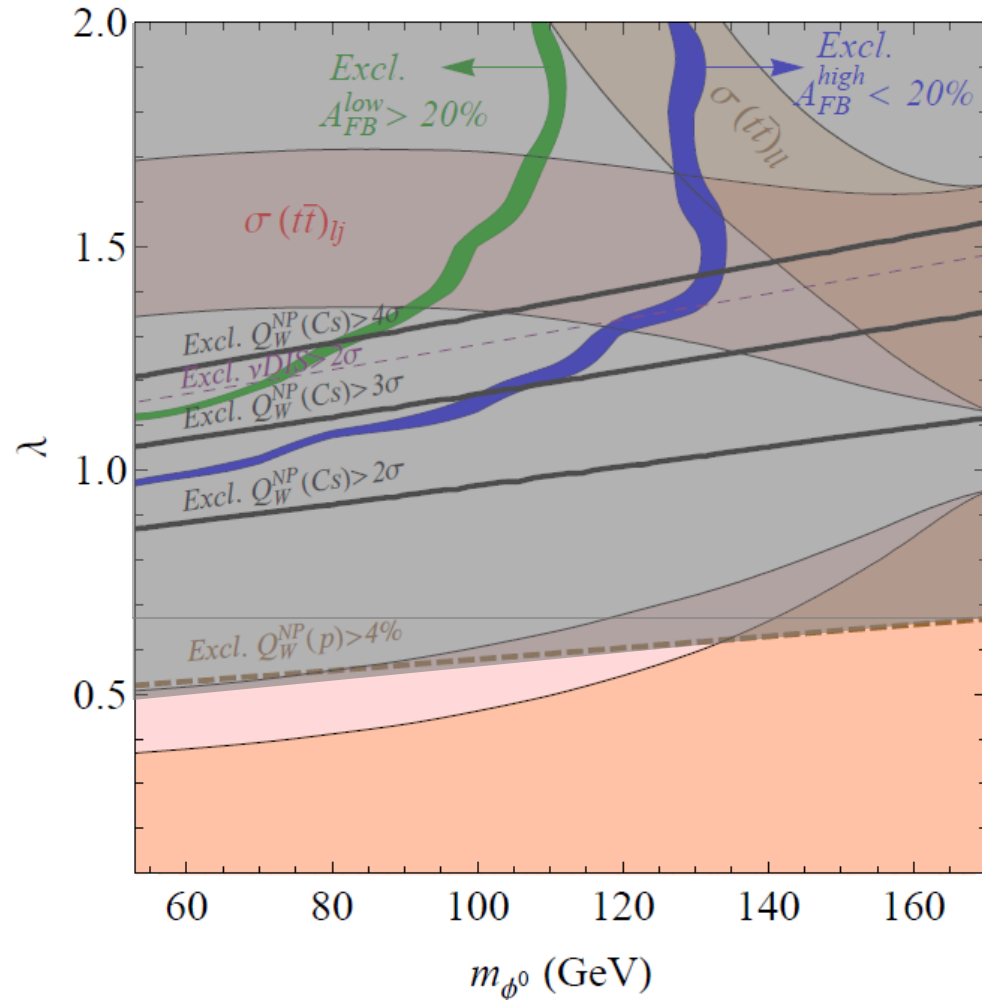
backward asymmetry A_{FB}

- Results favored t production in the incoming proton direction and \bar{t} in the anti-proton direction
- Observed $A_{FB} = 0.475 \pm 0.114$ a 3.4σ deviation from SM next-to-leading order prediction of 0.088 ± 0.013

New physics models could account for the excess



Plot show how PV constraints could exclude certain models as the source of excess A_{FB}



Gresham et.al. arXiv:1203.1320 [hep-ph]

Even with only 4% of the full data set, Q-weak significantly constrains new physics scenarios.

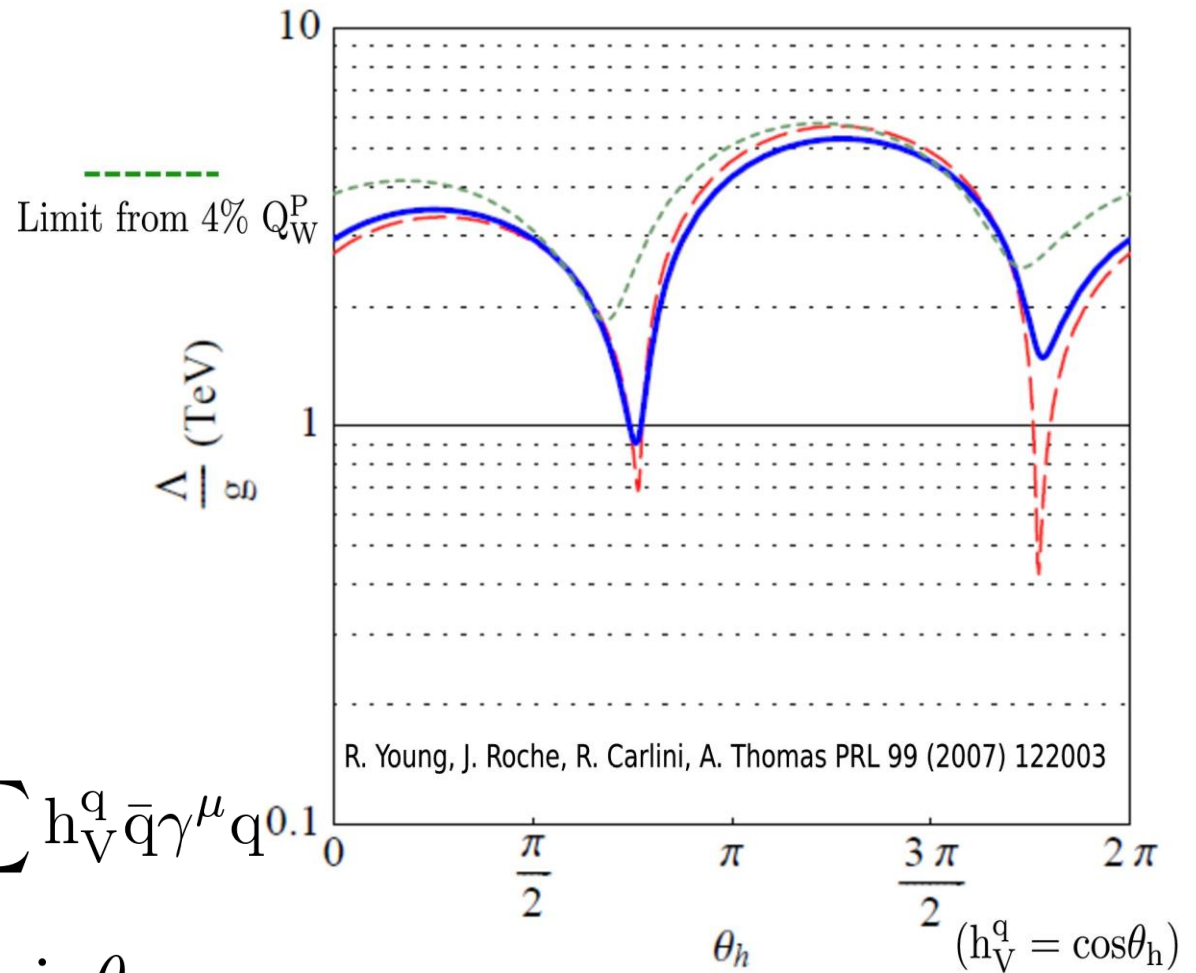
Model independent mass reach (95% CL) comparable to LHC limits:

Mass scale over coupling of new physics

$$\frac{\Lambda}{g} \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sqrt{2} G_F |\Delta Q_w^p|}} \sim 1.1 \text{ TeV}$$

Strongly coupled theories have $g^2 \sim 4\pi$.

Separate limits can be quoted for models that interfere constructively and destructively with the Standard Model.



$$L_{\text{new}}^{\text{PV}} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 e \sum_q h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q$$

$$h_V^u = \cos\theta_h \quad h_V^d = \sin\theta_h$$

Why Considering Only C_{1u} , C_{1d}

Standart Model Parameters		
	Tree Level	Rad. Corr. + New Phys.
C_{1u}	$-\frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{8}{3} \sin^2 \theta_w\right)$	$-\frac{1}{2} \rho'_{eq} \left(1 - \frac{8}{3} \kappa'_{eq} \sin^2 \theta_w\right) + \lambda_{1u}$
C_{1d}	$-\frac{1}{2} \left(-1 + \frac{4}{3} \sin^2 \theta_w\right)$	$-\frac{1}{2} \rho'_{eq} \left(-1 + \frac{4}{3} \kappa'_{eq} \sin^2 \theta_w\right) + \lambda_{1d}$
C_{1s}	$-\frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{8}{3} \sin^2 \theta_w\right)$	$-\frac{1}{2} \rho'_{eq} \left(1 - \frac{8}{3} \kappa'_{eq} \sin^2 \theta_w\right) + \lambda_{1s}$
C_{2u}	$-\frac{1}{2} \left(1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_w\right)$	$-\frac{1}{2} \rho_{eq} \left(1 - 4 \kappa_{eq} \sin^2 \theta_w\right) + \lambda_{2u}$
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Strongly suppressed
by design kinematics

$$Q_W^p = -2(C_{1u} + 2C_{1d})$$

$$Q_W^n = -2(2C_{1u} + C_{1d})$$

Parity Violating Electron Scattering

Strategy

Maximize Statistics:

Small counting statistics
 high polarization, high current
 high power cryogenic hydrogen target
 large acceptance high count rate
 detectors/electronics

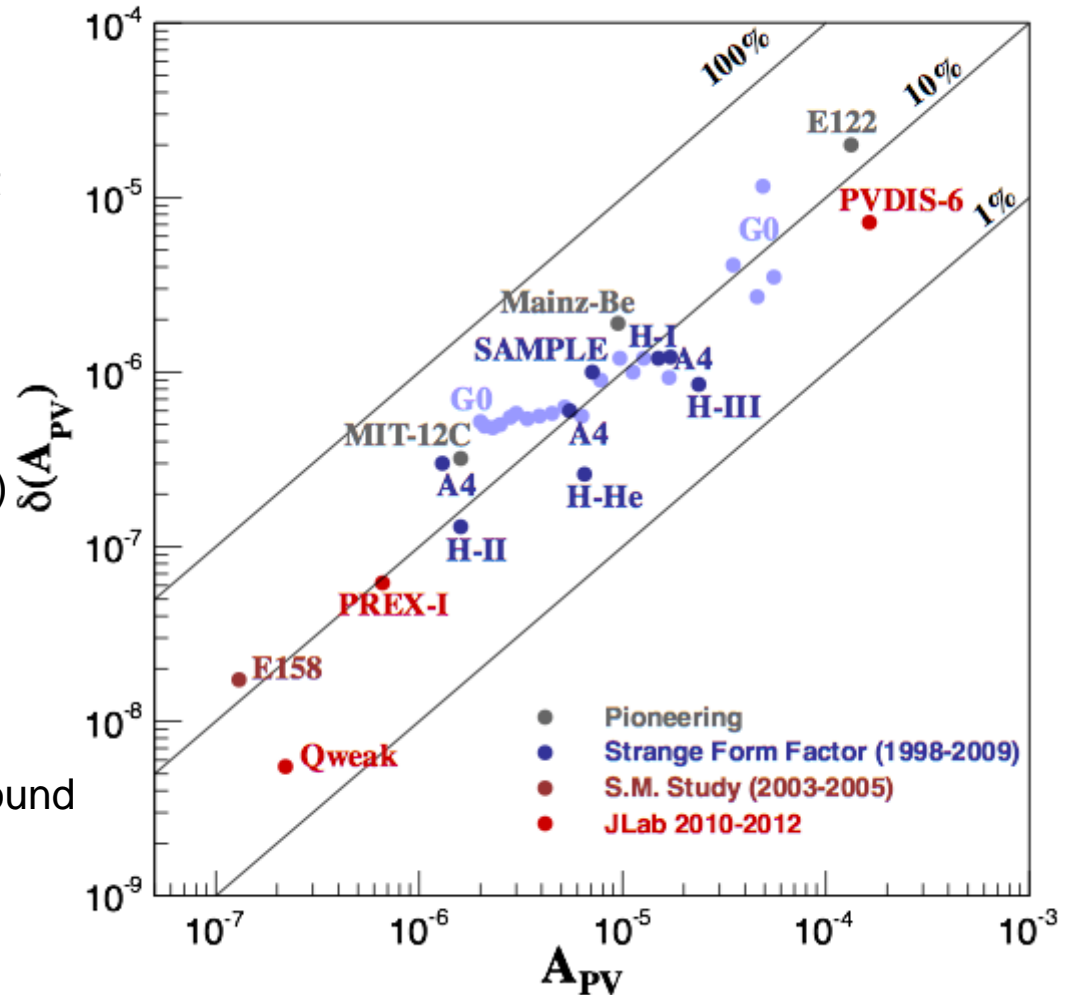
Minimize Noise:

target density fluctuations
 electronics noise (in integrating mode)
 detector resolution

Systematics:

Minimize helicity-correlated beam
 properties
 Isolate elastic scattering from background
 Precision electron beam polarimetry
 Precision Q^2 determination

Q-weak will be most precise (relative and absolute) PVES result to date.



Backgrounds and Corrections

Aluminum Window Background

Large asymmetry and high fraction make this a big effect.

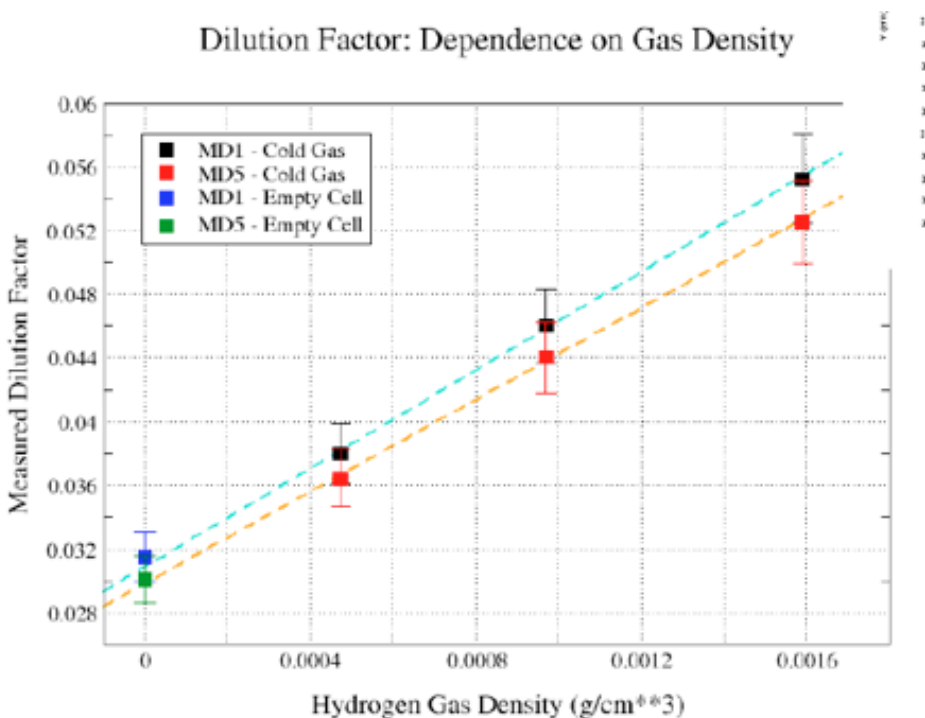
Correction driven by measurement.

$$A_{b1} = 1.76 \pm 0.26 \text{ ppm}$$

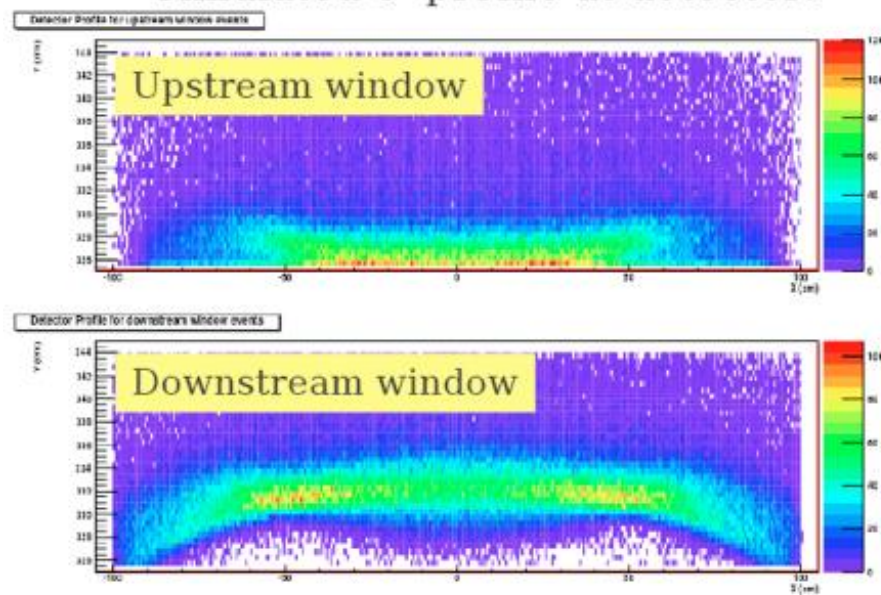
$$f_{b1} = 3.23 \pm 0.24 \%$$

- Rate from windows measured with empty target (actual windows)
- Corrected for effect of hydrogen using simulation and data driven models of elastic and QE scattering.
- Asymmetry measured from thick Al target
- Measured asymmetry agrees with expectations from scaling.

Dilution Factor: Dependence on Gas Density

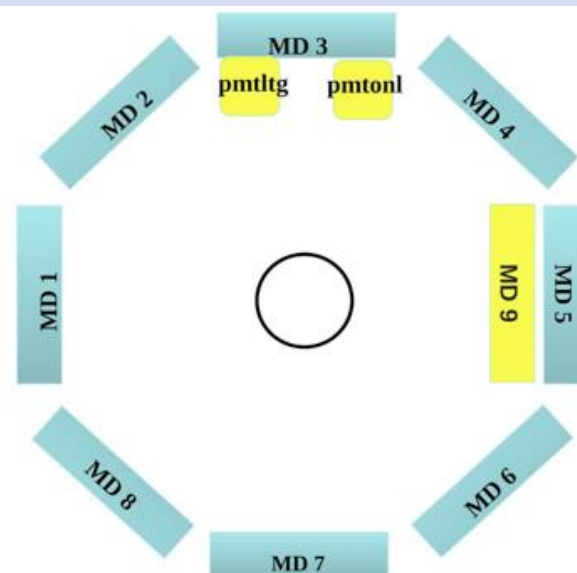


Simulated e- profile at detector:



Beamline Scattering

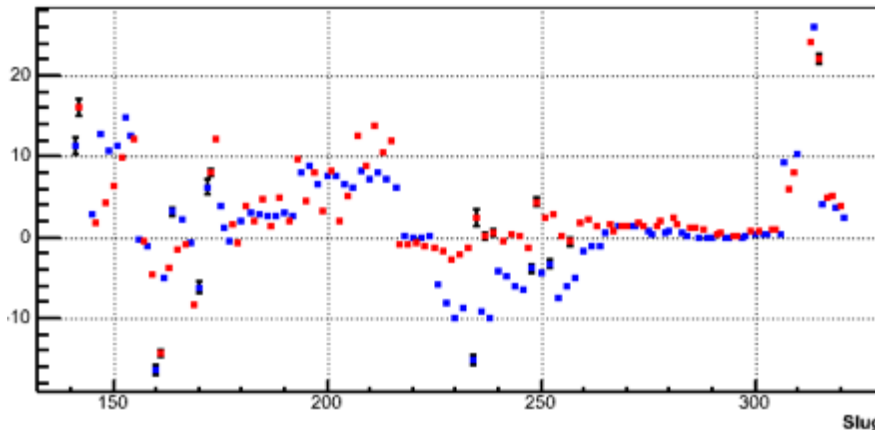
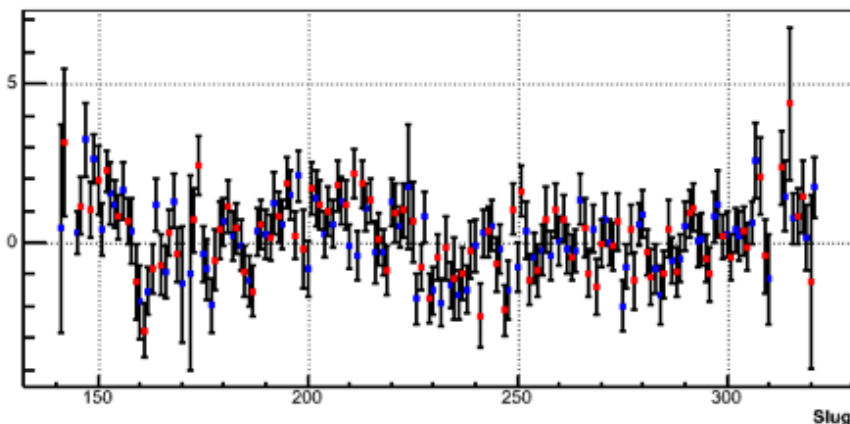
- Various "background" detectors observed
- highly correlated non-zero asymmetries Asymmetries were primarily from beamline background (hypothesis: asymmetric "beam halo" events interacting in Tungsten beam collimator and beamline)
- Beamline background contributes only ~0.19% to the signal of the main detectors. Background detectors provided continuous monitoring of any asymmetry associated with this background
- Correction is determined from the upstream lumis.
- Relationship to main detector determined using a variety of methods (including direct blocking of primary events), appears to be well understood.



$$f_{b2} = 0.19 \pm 0.10 \%$$

$$C_{b2} = 11 \pm 3 \text{ ppb}$$

Example of the correlation between background detectors.



Other Neutrals

Blocked octant studies allow measurement of background fraction

Background fraction Main detectors - 0.19%

MD9 - 9.4%

USlumi - 60%

background detectors -100%

Ratio of background fraction

$\text{pmtonl/uslumi} = 1.7$

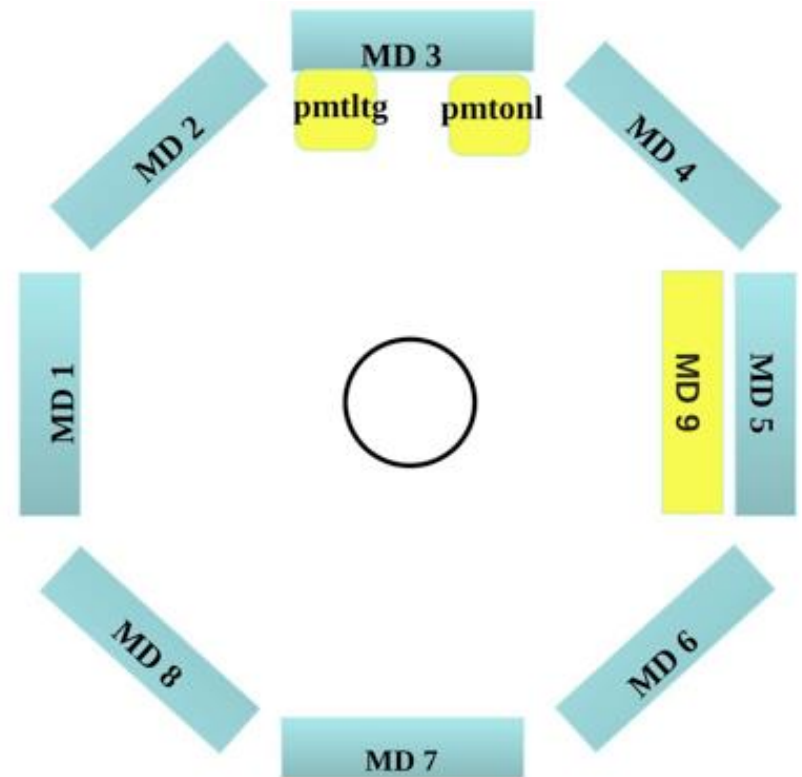
$\text{pmtltg/uslumi} = 1.7$

$\text{MD9/uslumi} = 0.16$

Ratios of measured asymmetries
replicate these numbers well.

$$A_{b3} = -5.5 \pm 11.5 \text{ ppm}$$

$$f_{b3} = 0.2 \pm 0.2 \%$$

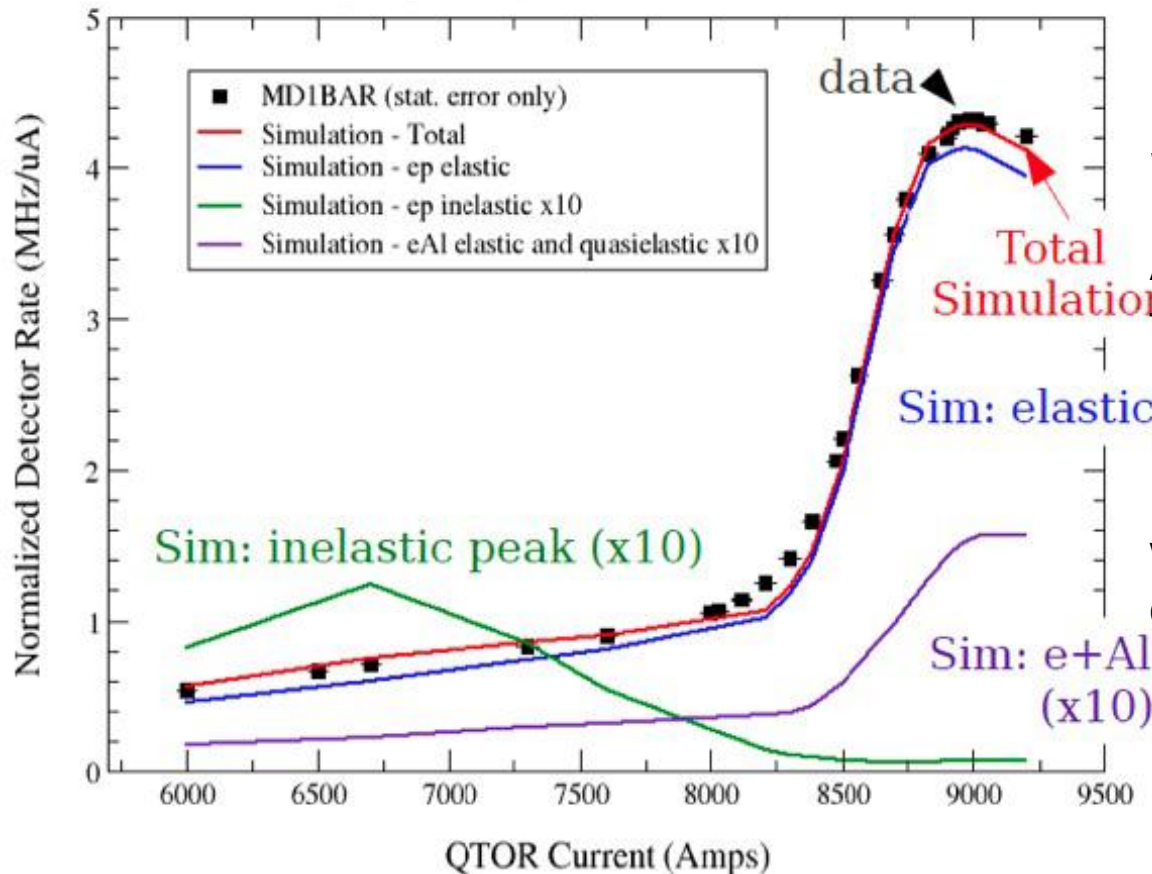


Background detector orientations

Inelastic Background

Negligible effect for Run-0

Spectrometer magnet current scan



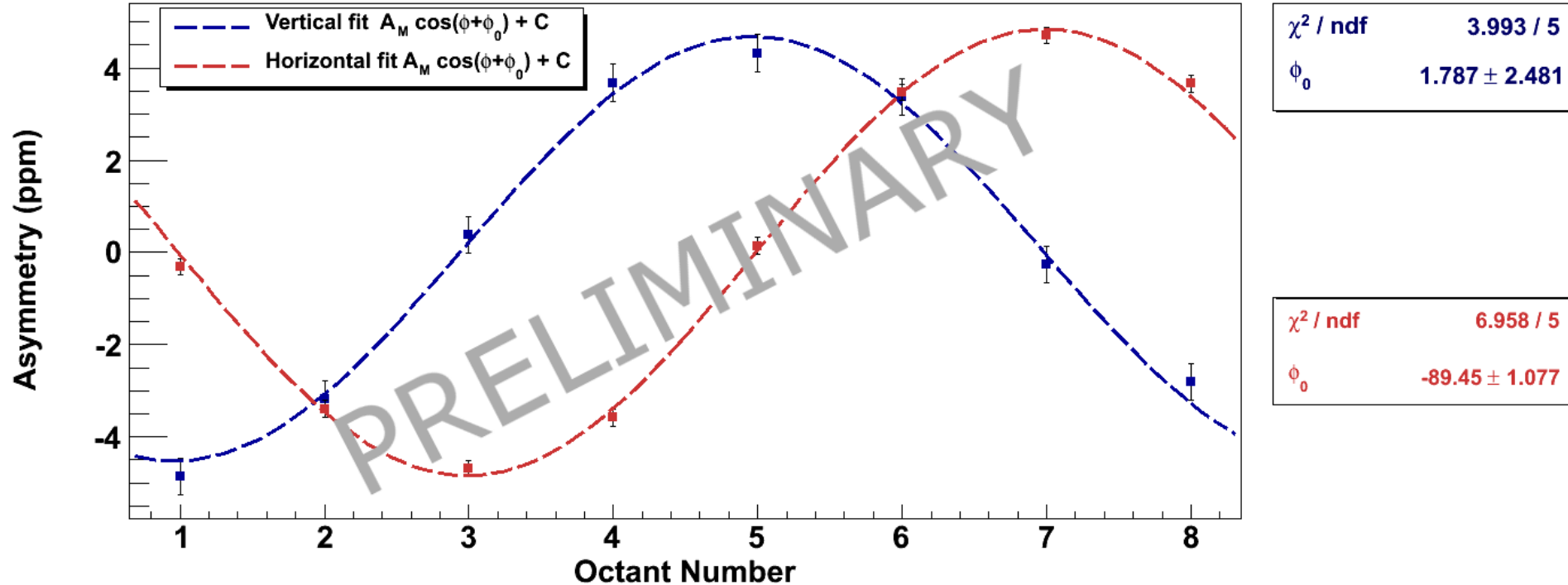
Simulated contribution very small.

$$A_{b4} = 3.02 \pm 0.97 \text{ ppm}$$

$$f_{b4} = 0.02 \pm 0.02 \%$$

More asymmetry data on tape.
Improved simulation efforts
will yield much more precise
contribution.

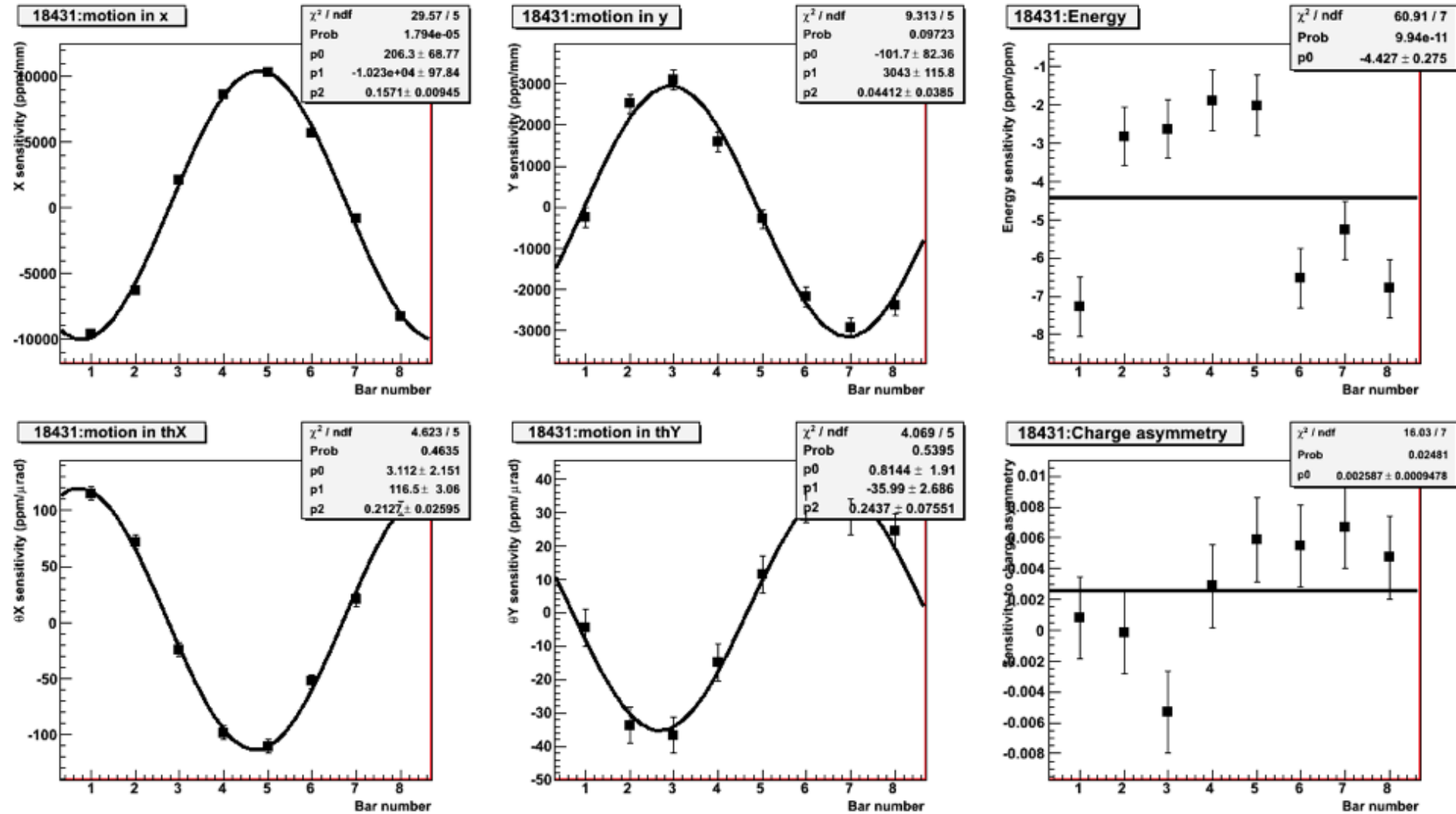
Transverse Asymmetries



Raw physics asymmetries = AVG(IN asymmetry – OUT asymmetry)

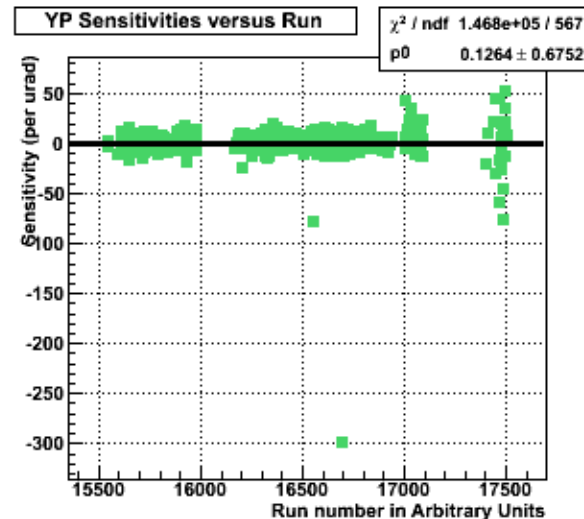
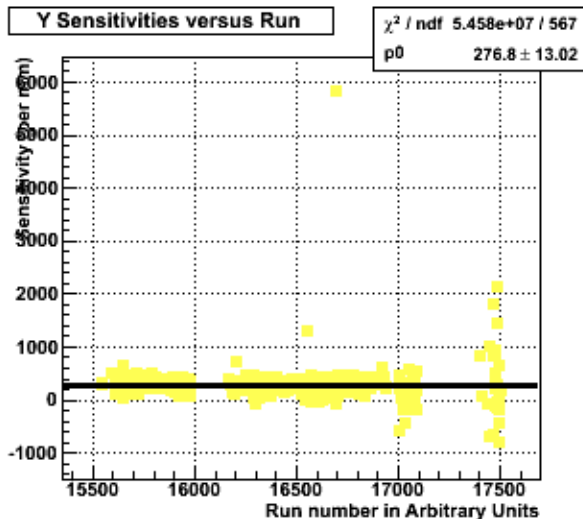
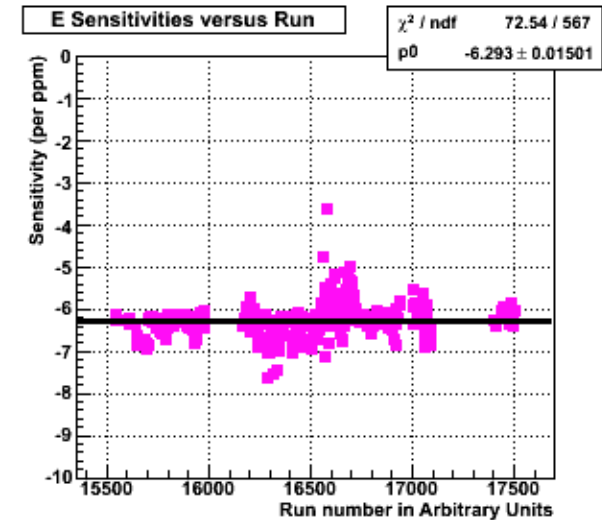
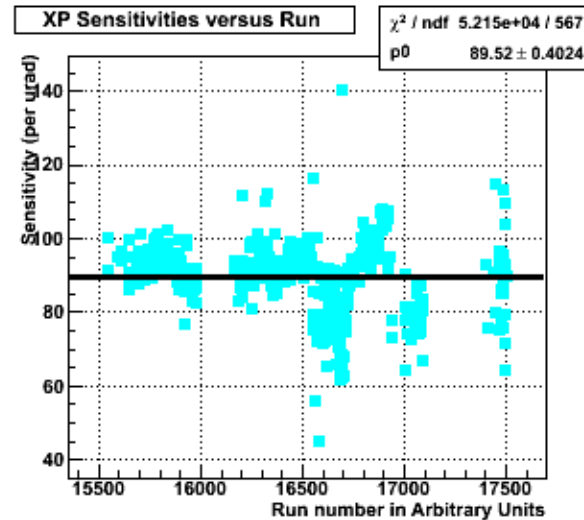
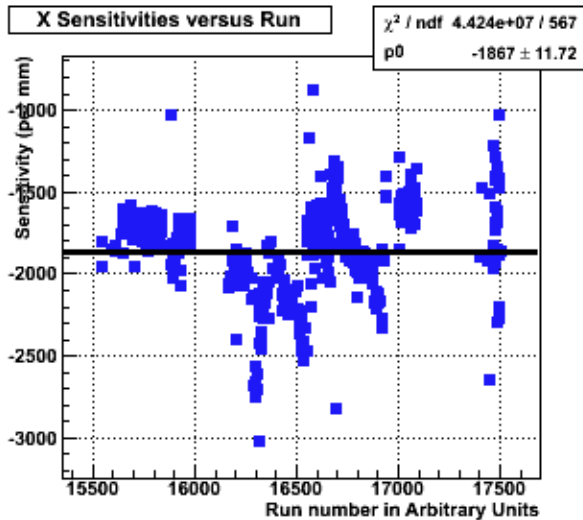
- Not corrected for backgrounds and polarization.
- 90 degree phase offset seen between Vertical and Horizontal fits (as expected).

MD Sensitivities from Natural Beam Jitter



MD Sensitivities from Beam Modulation

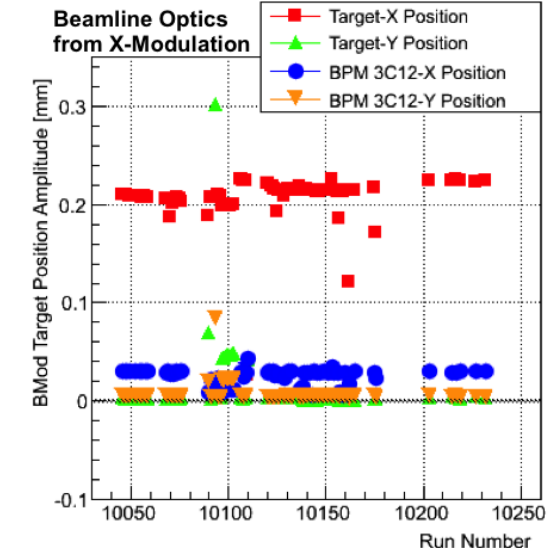
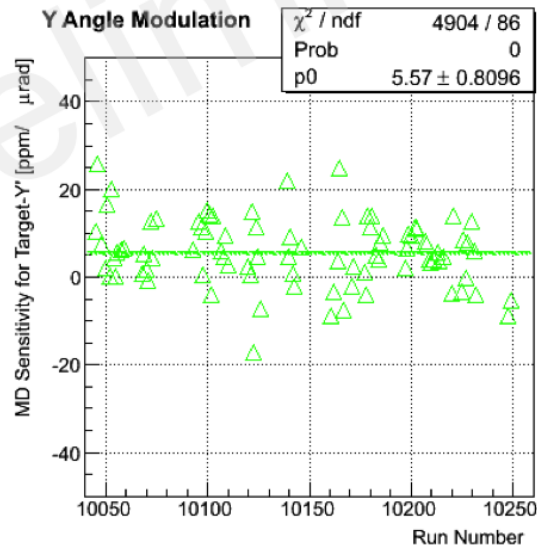
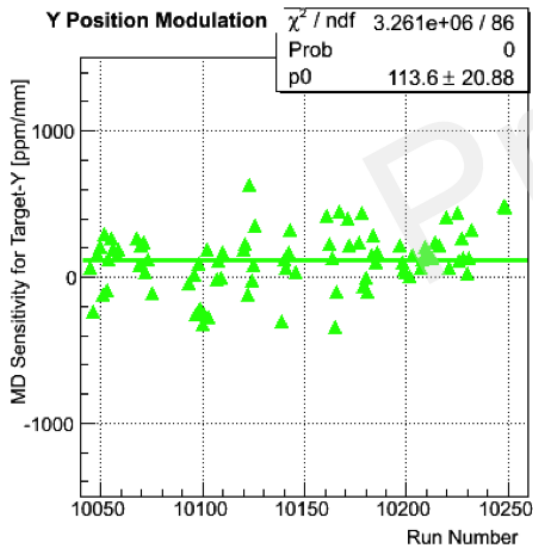
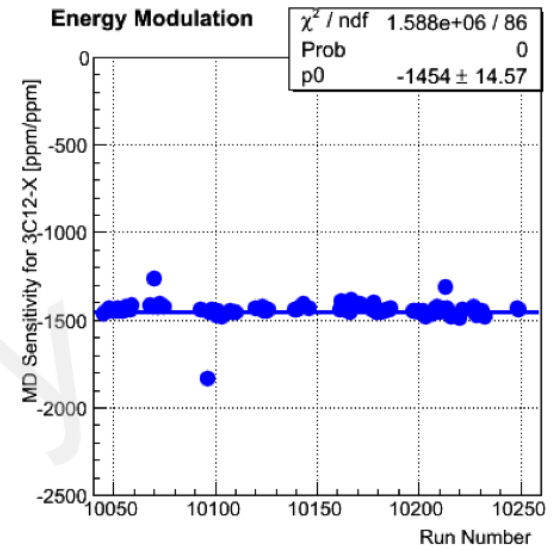
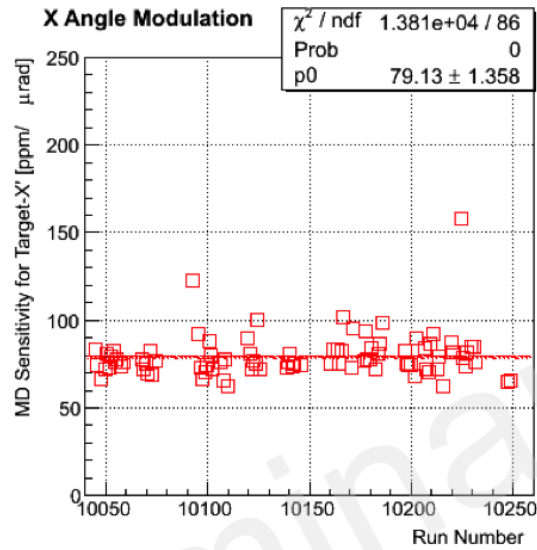
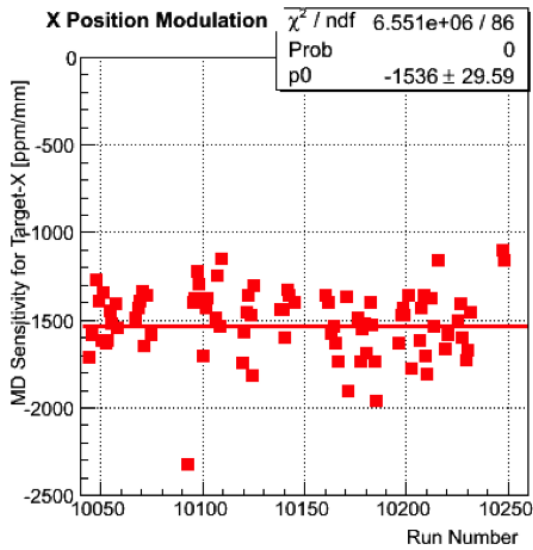
Stability of modulation sensitivities over time



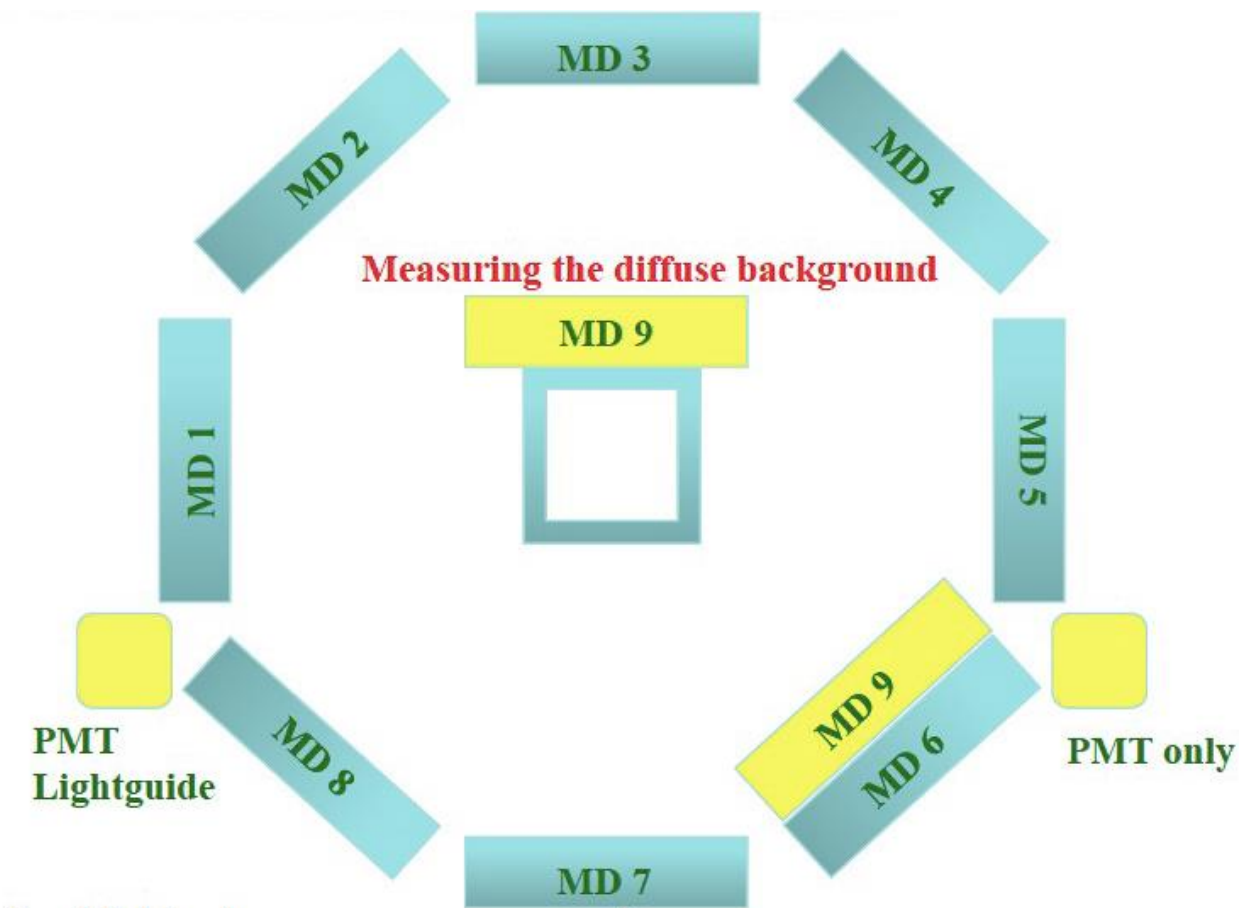
Position differences:
 $dX = 100 \text{ um}$
 $dX' = 3 \text{ urad}$
 $dY = 100 \text{ um}$
 $dY' = 3 \text{ urad}$
 $d(3c12X) = 250 \text{ um}$

MD Sensitivities from Beam Modulation

Stability of modulation sensitivities over time



Background Detectors During Run-0

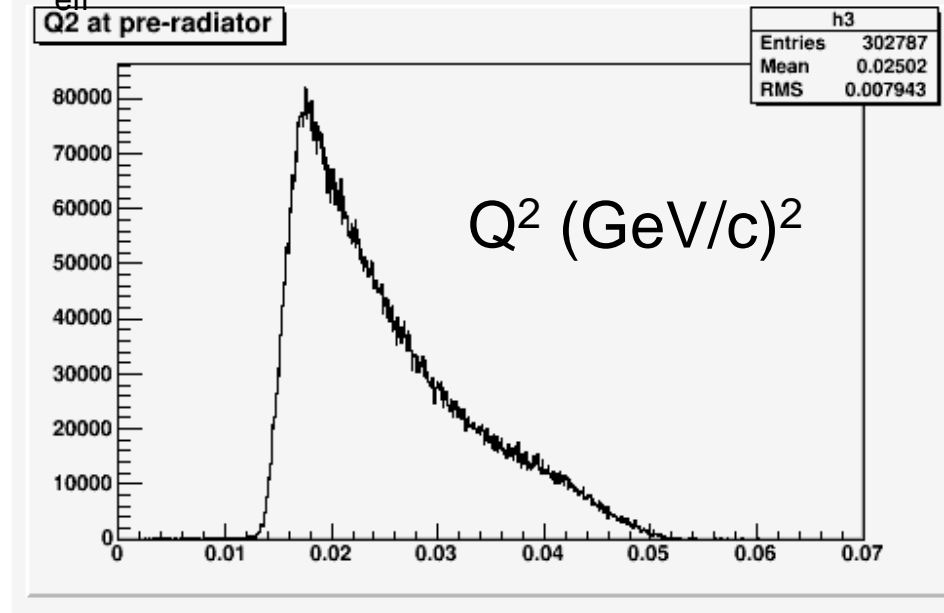
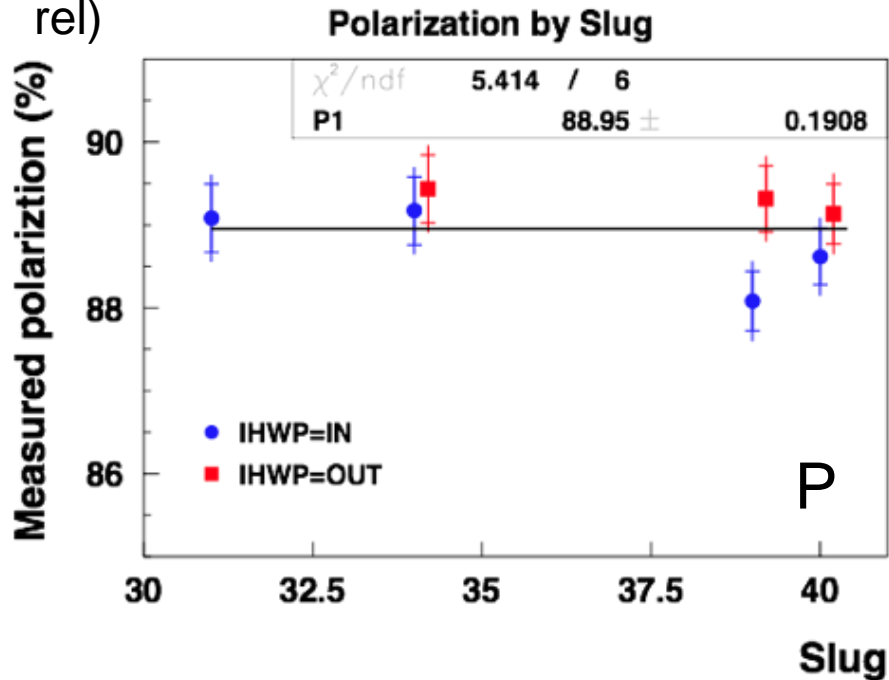


Normalization

Kinematics determined from detailed simulation. Radiative corrections are applied to the asymmetry.

Measured polarization using Moller Polarimeter $P = 88.95 \pm 1.83 \%$ (2% rel)

$\langle E_{\text{beam}} \rangle = 1155 \text{ MeV}$
 $\langle Q^2 \rangle = 0.0250 \pm 0.0006 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$ (2.4% rel)
 $\theta_{\text{eff}} = 7.90$

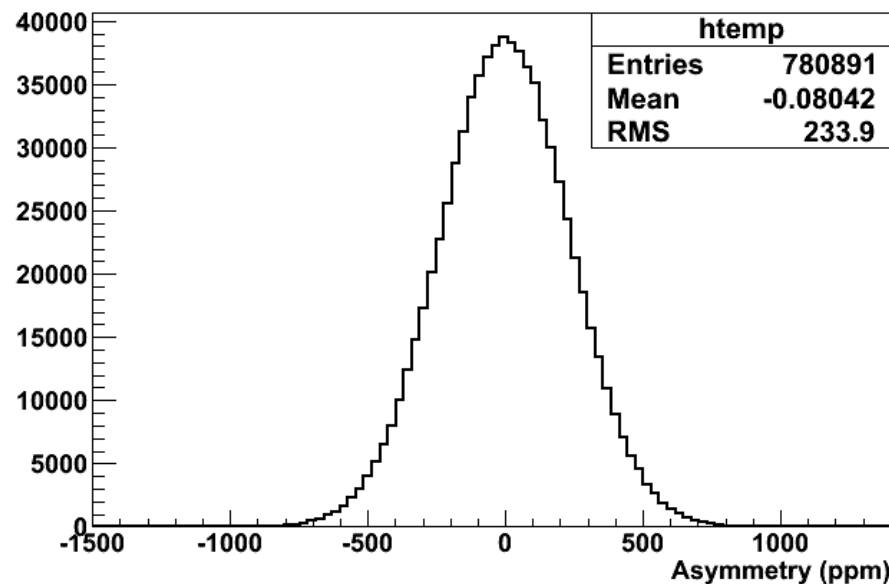


Q-weak Performance

$$A_{msr} = \frac{Y_+ - Y_-}{Y_+ + Y_-}$$

$$\Delta A = \frac{\sigma_A}{\sqrt{N_{\text{quartets}}}}$$

Main Detector All bars Asymmetry (Blinded)

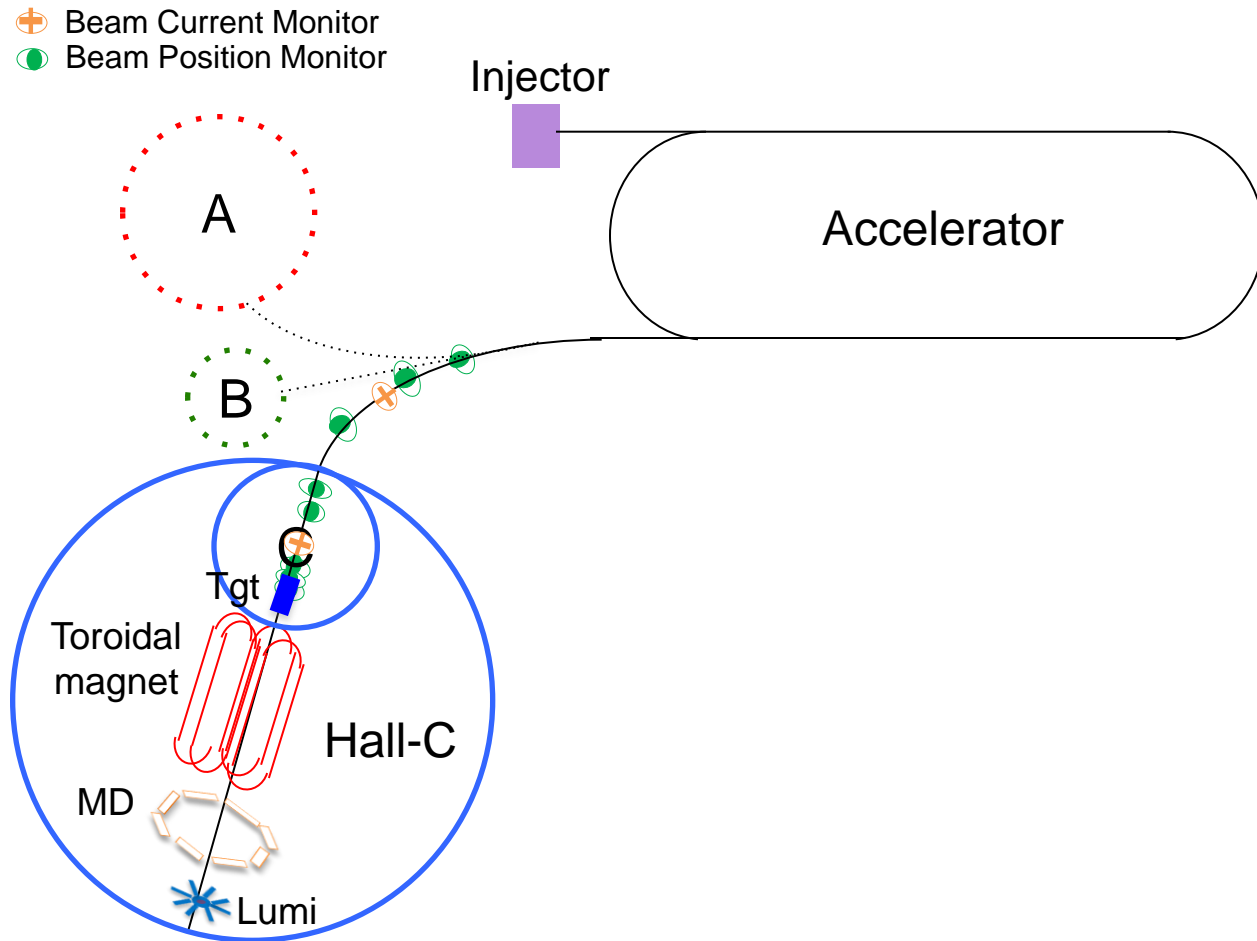


Sample asymmetry at beam current of $\sim 180 \mu\text{A}$

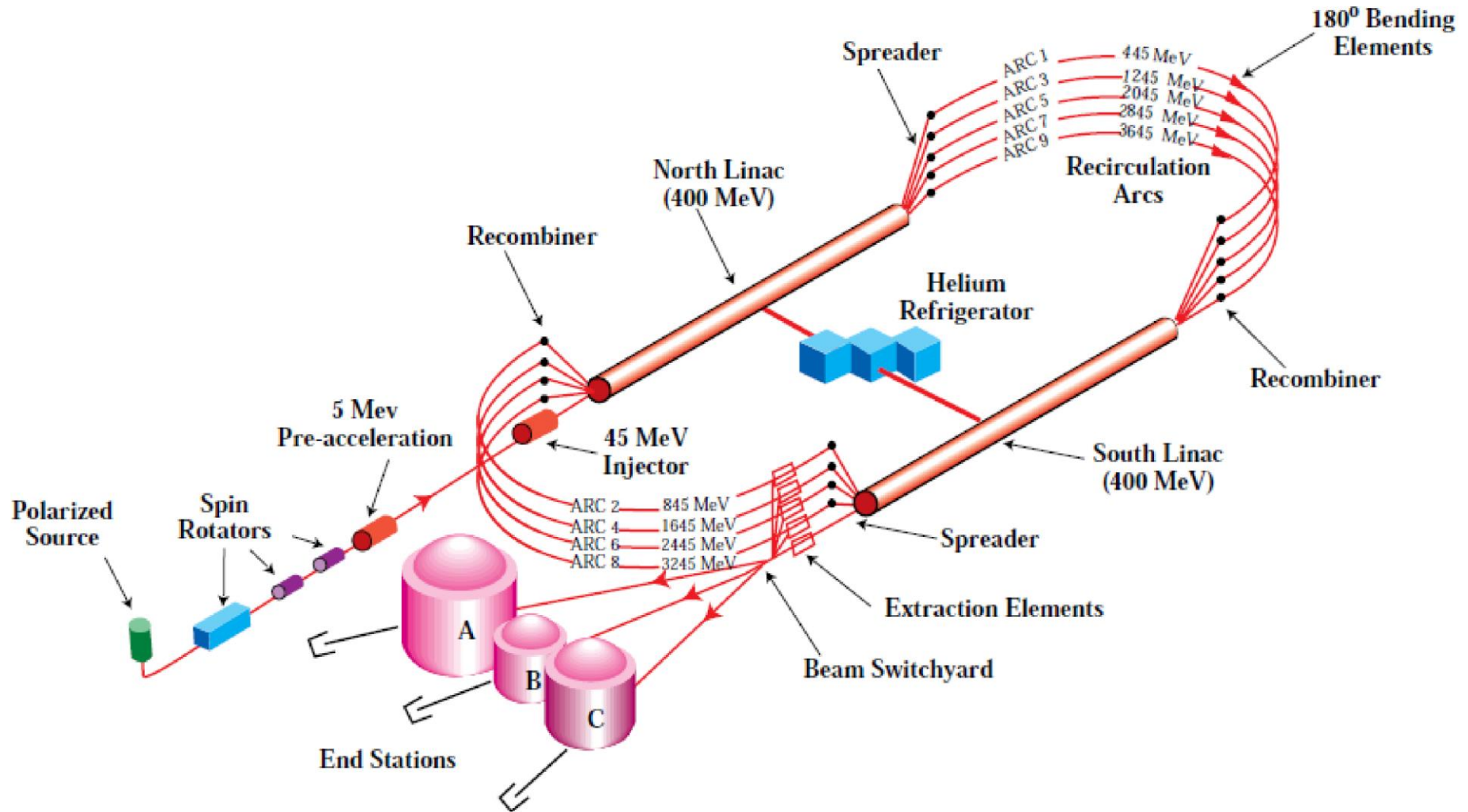
Contribution	Width	
Pure counting statistics	201	ppm
Detector Resolution	92	ppm
Current monitor resolution	50	ppm
Target boiling	57	ppm
Total (observed)	233.7	ppm

Experimental

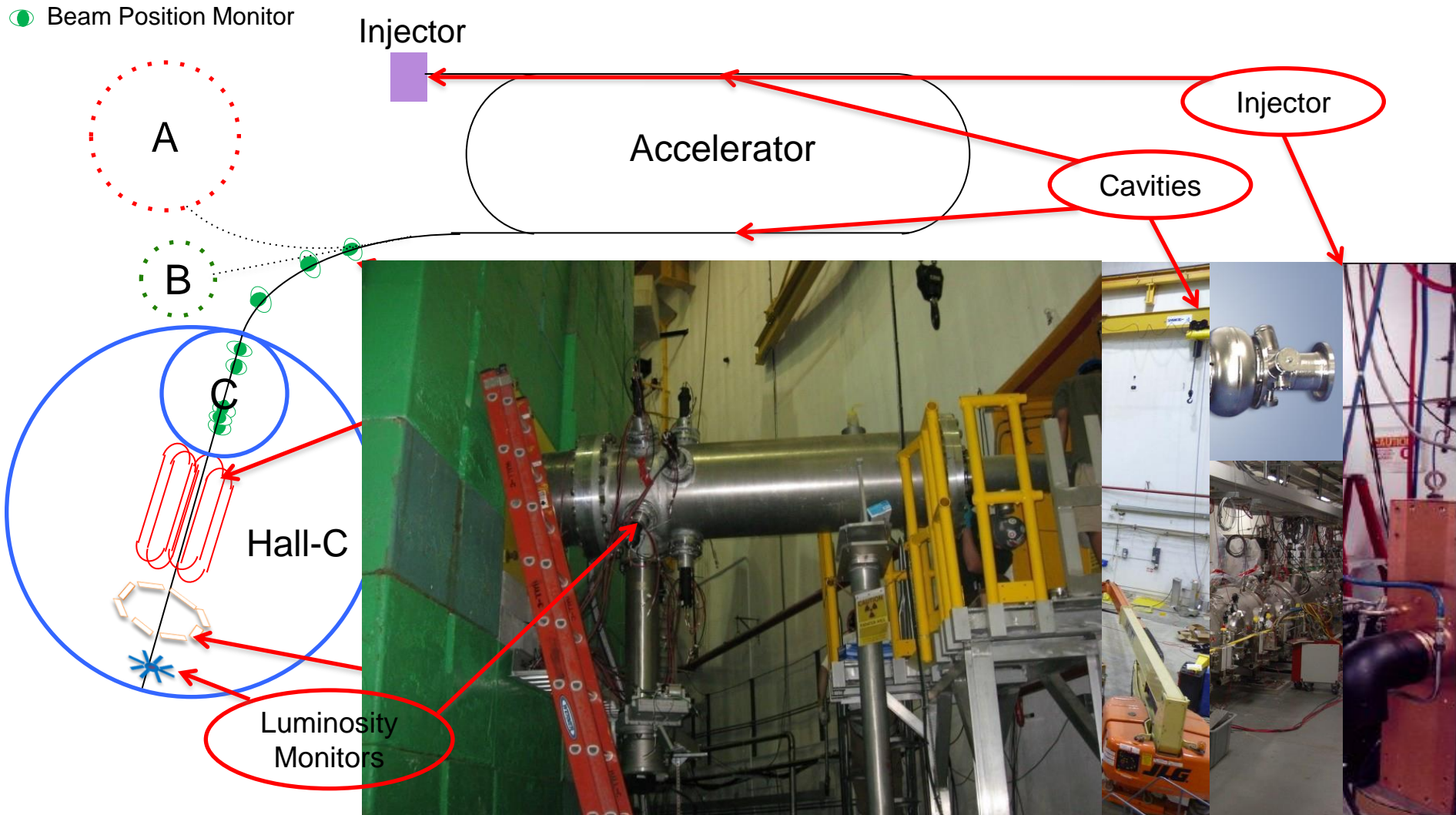
Jefferson Lab Beamline Sketch



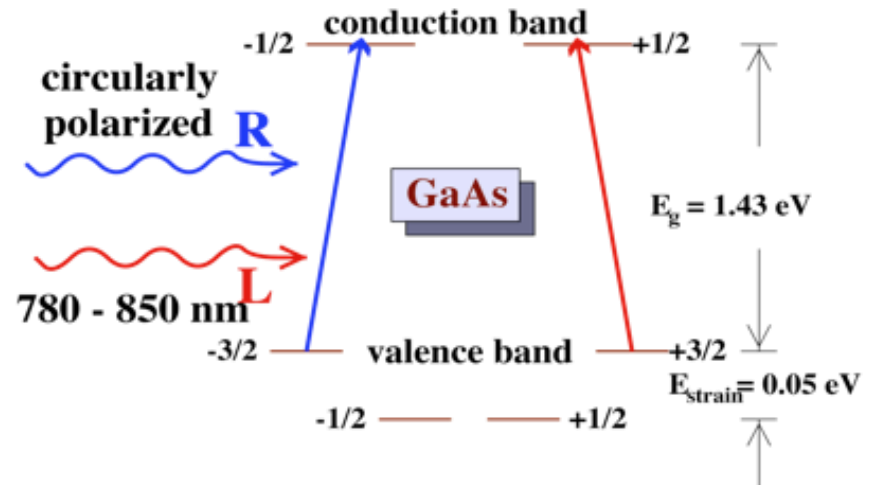
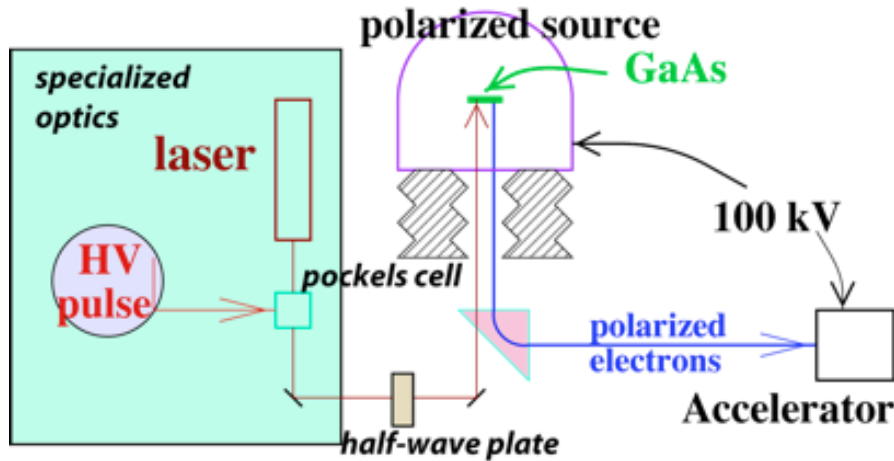
Jefferson Lab



Jefferson Lab Beamline Sketch



Polarized Source



"strain" boosts polarization, but introduces anisotropy in response

Helicity changed by changing Pockels Cell voltage.

Recent developments

- New "inverted" gun
- 130 kV extraction: increase cathode lifetime, decrease space charge blowup for high current,
- New vertical Wien and solenoid to allow a second slow flip



"inverted" gun

Slow Reversals of Signal

Insertable Half Wave Plate

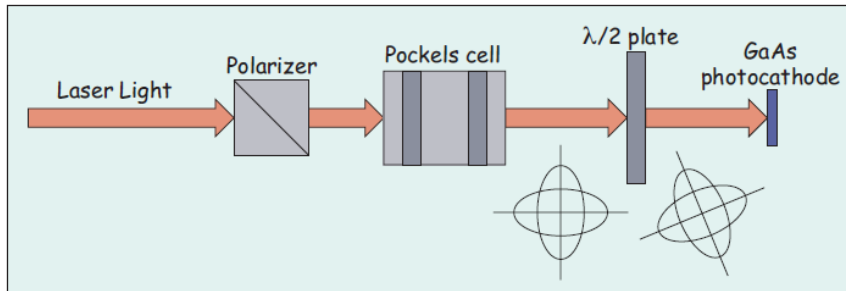
Optical element on laser table which reverses

the sign of the laser helicity with respect to the sign Pockels Cell high voltage.

~300 total HWP reversals, each about 8 hours of good data, called “slugs”

Measurements should have same magnitude

and opposite sign. The sum (or null asymmetry) should be zero.

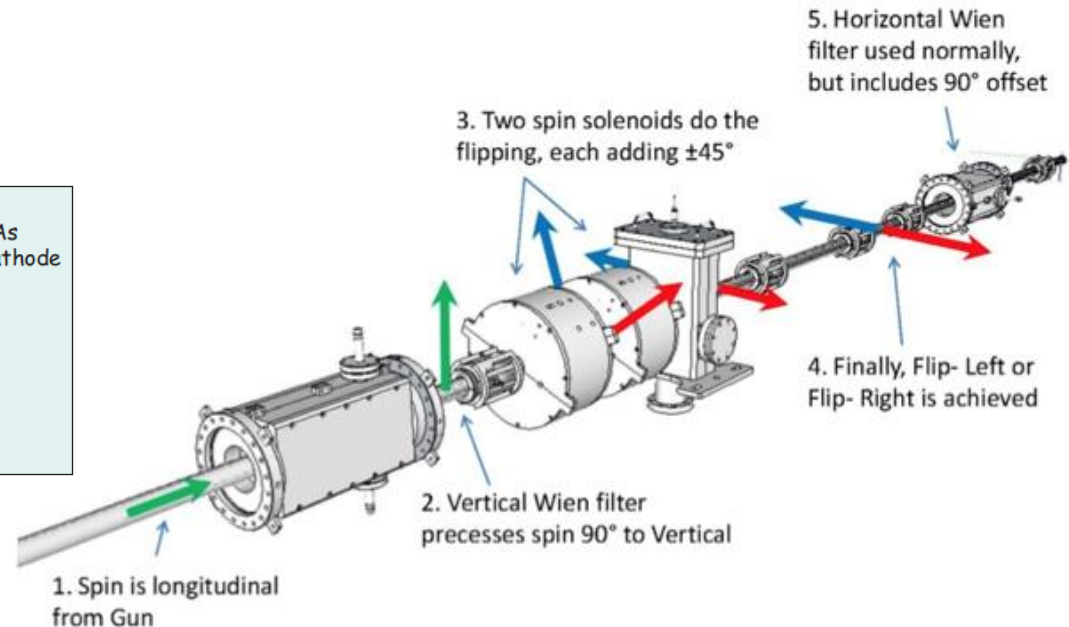


“Double Wien” spin manipulator

Vertical Wien filter followed by a solenoid and

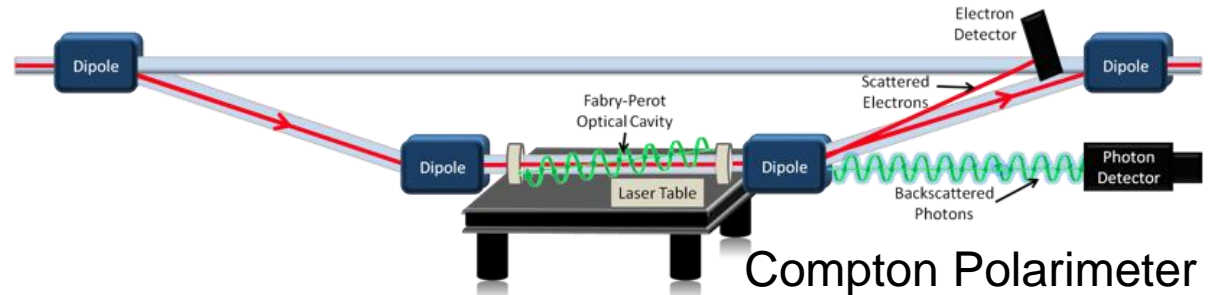
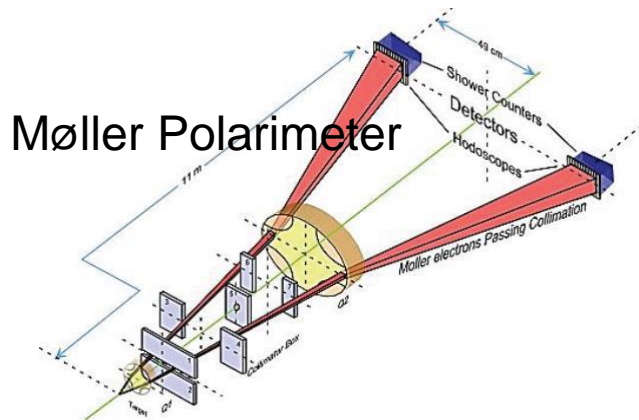
then a horizontal-Wien. Allows reversal between the laser helicity and the experimental electrons.

11 total opposing “Wien” periods ~1 month of data in each



Polarimetry

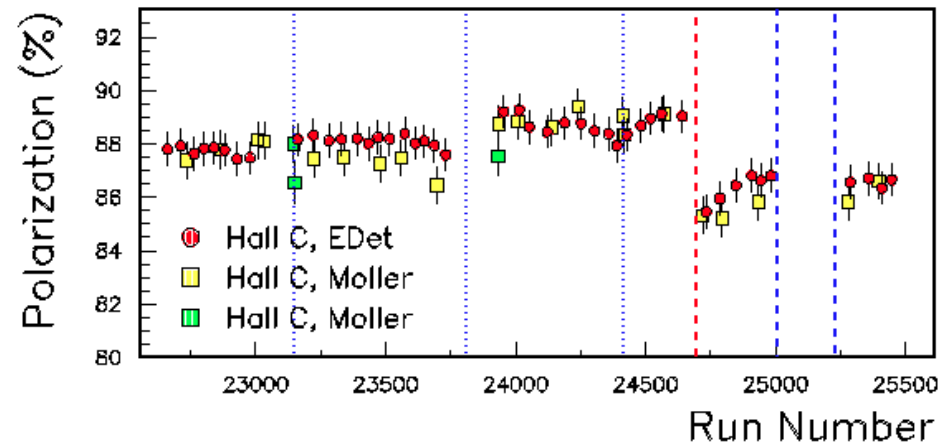
Two independent polarimeters were used to measure beam polarization:



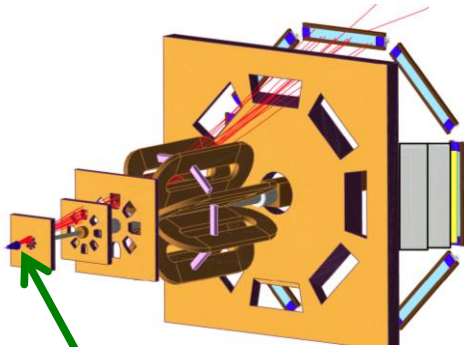
- existing Hall C Møller polarimeter to measure absolute beam polarization to $<1\%$ at low beam currents.
- New Compton polarimeter is used to provide continuous, nondestructive measurement of beam polarization at nominal experiment beam current.

A typical measured polarization is shown in the figure.

Measured beam polarization during commissioning period using Moller polarimeter is $\sim 89 \pm 2\%$ (Compton results during commissioning was not available)

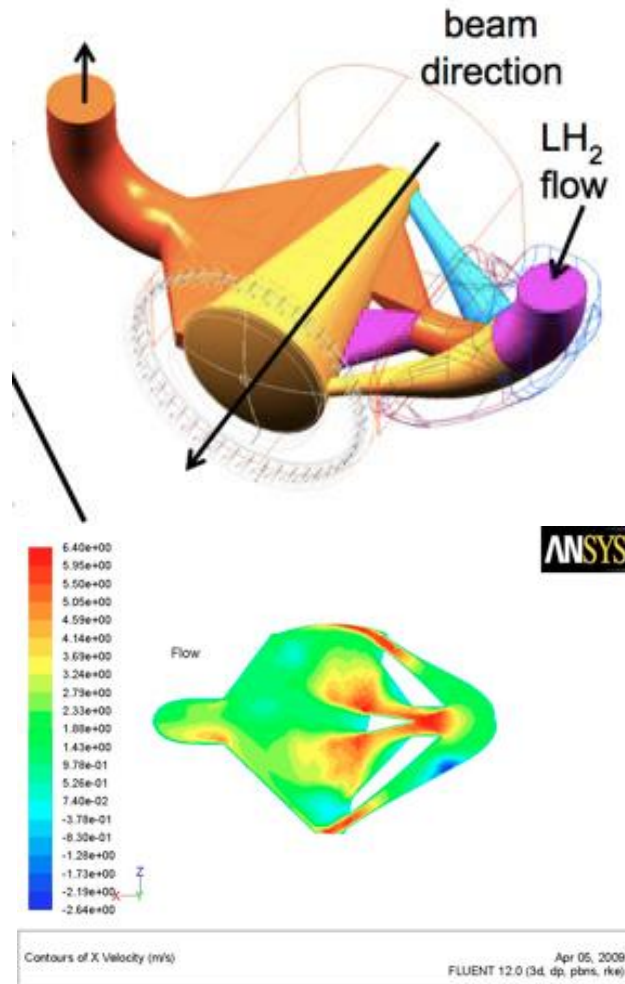
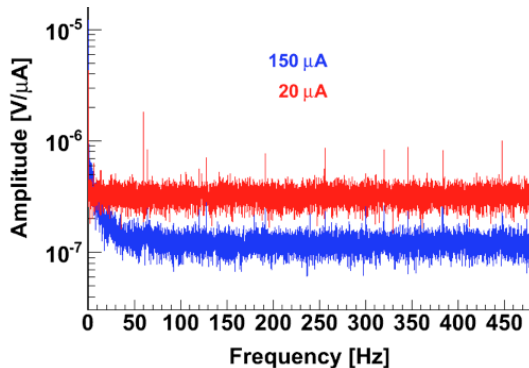


Q-weak Target

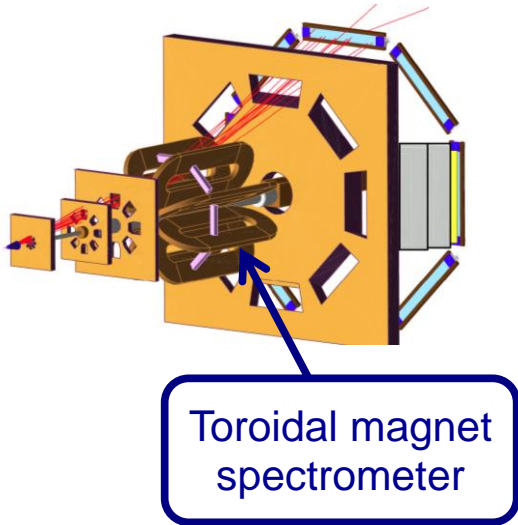


Target

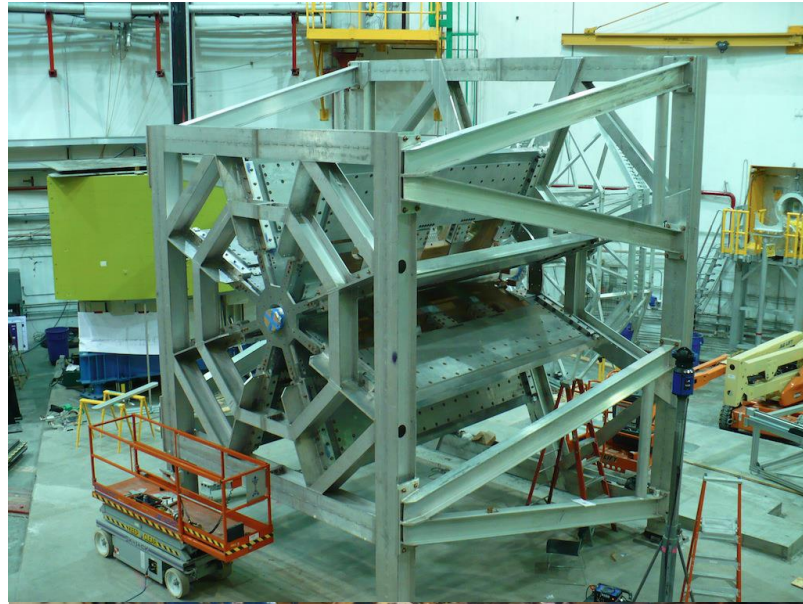
- World's highest power cryogenic target ~ 2.5 kW.
- 35 cm long liquid H₂.
- Designed with computational fluid dynamics (CFD) to reduce density fluctuations.



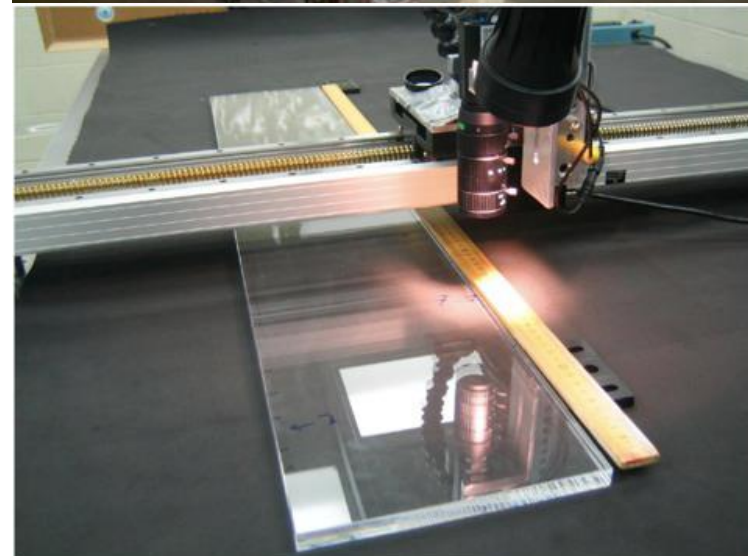
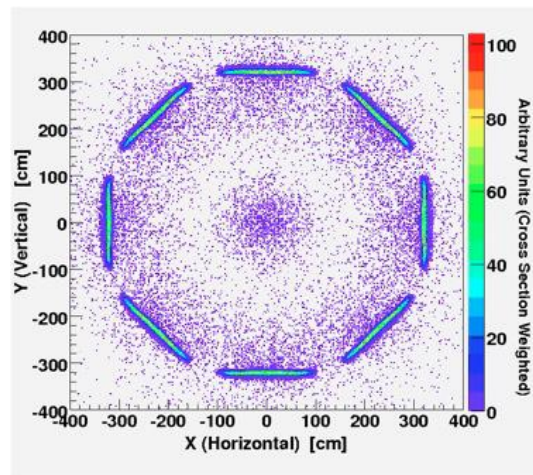
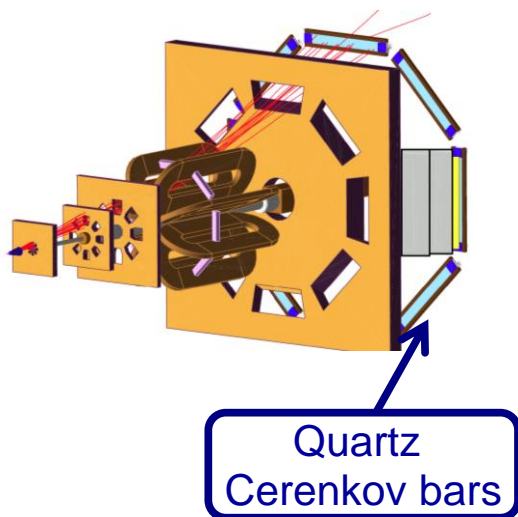
Q-weak Toroidal Magnet Spectrometer



- Length = 3.7 m
- $I \sim 8900$ A
- $\int B dl \sim 0.67$ Tm
- $\theta_{\text{scat}} = 7.9^\circ \pm 2^\circ$
- $Q^2 = 0.025$ (GeV/c) 2
- ϕ acceptance $\sim 1/2(2\pi)$



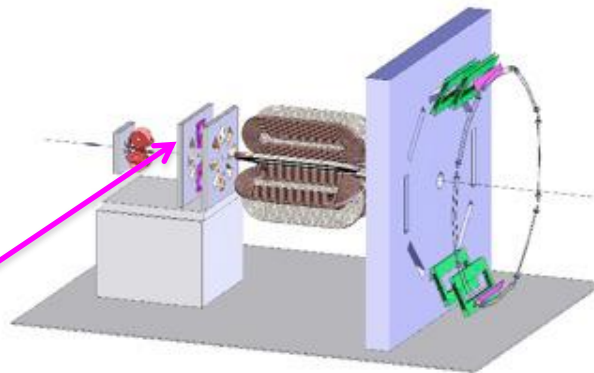
Q-weak Cherenkov Detectors



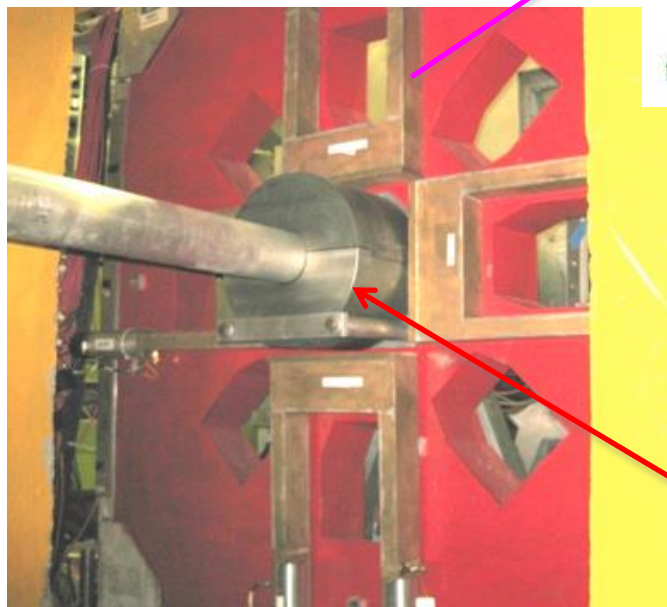
- Azimuthal symmetry maximizes rate and decreases sensitivity to HC beam motion, transverse asymmetry
- 8 synthetic quartz Cherenkov detector bars 2m long
- low noise, radiation hard Installed a 2 cm thick Pb pre-radiators decrease the background by showering electrons and attenuating low energy neutrals
- Signal normalized to beam current
- Scattered e focused on the detector bars at a rate of 800MHz per

Luminosity Monitors

Upstream lumis:
4 detectors at ~ 5 degrees
100 GHz / detector
50-60% of signal from “plug”
scattering
Mainly functions like a
background detector



Downstream lumis:
8 detectors at ~ 0.5 degrees
100 GHz / detector
null asymmetry monitor and
beam diagnostic



“Lead donut” added for
additional shielding.

