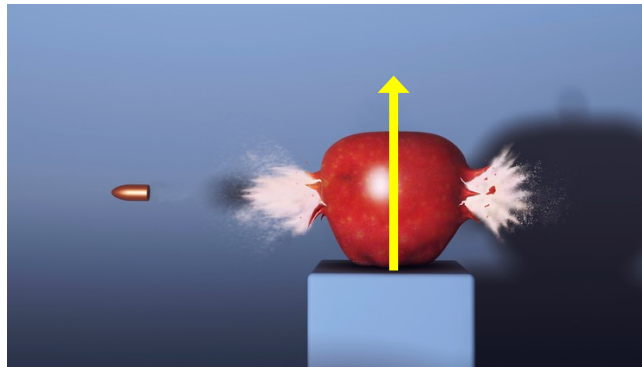


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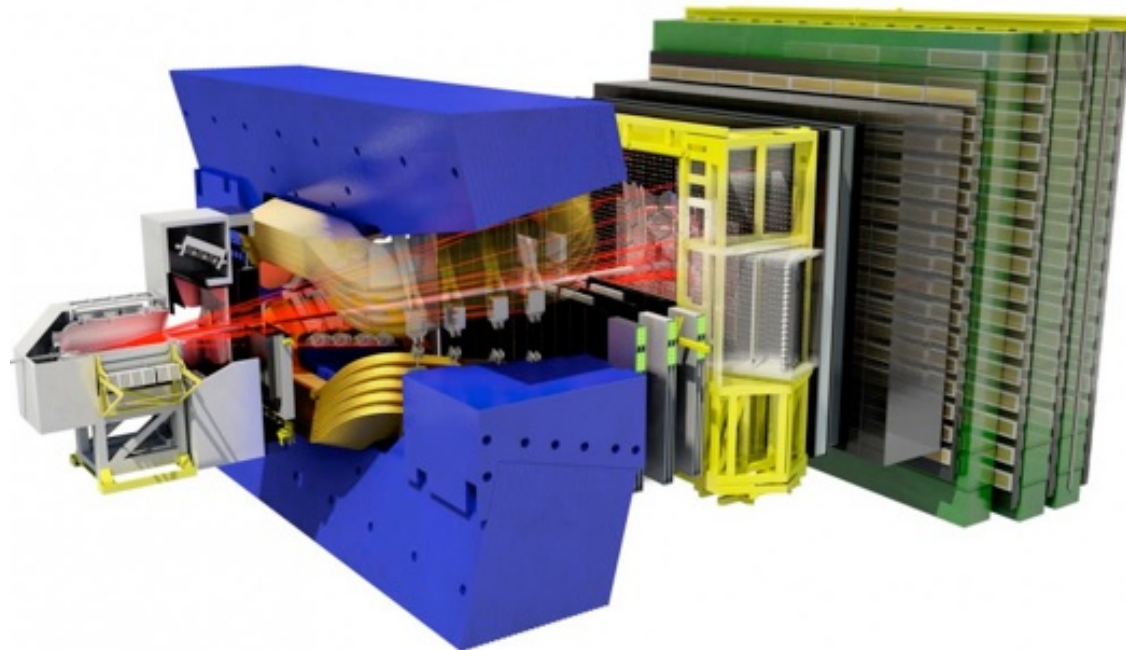
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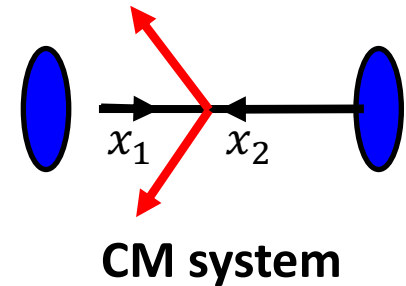
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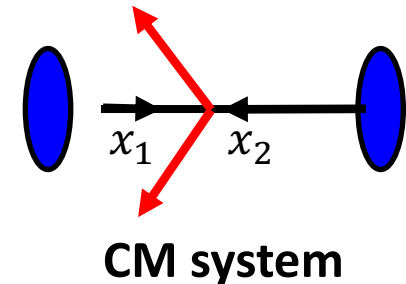
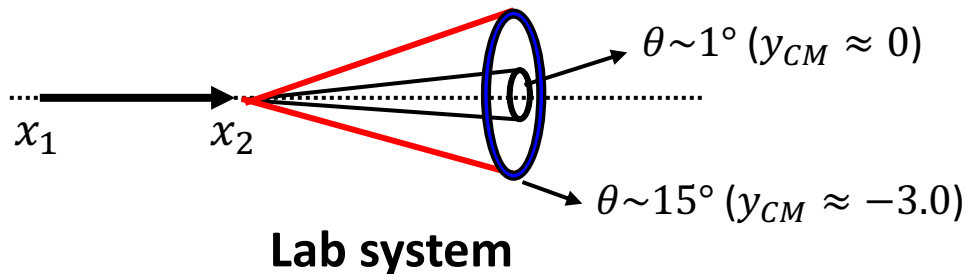
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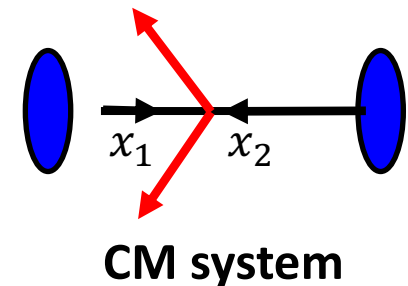
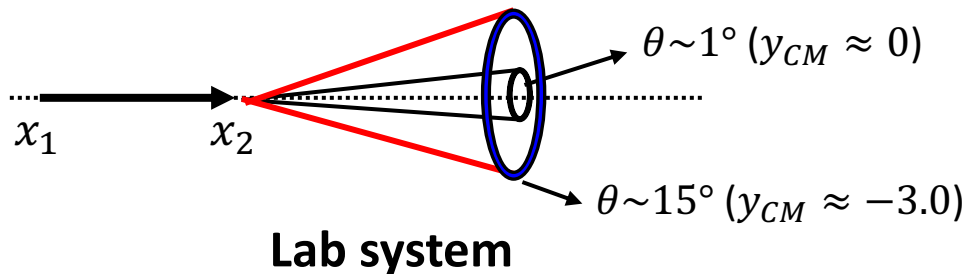
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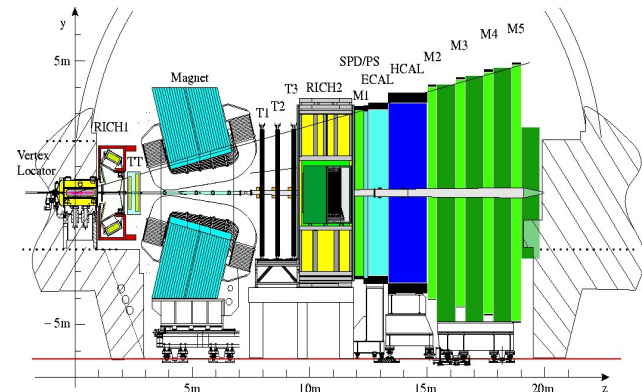


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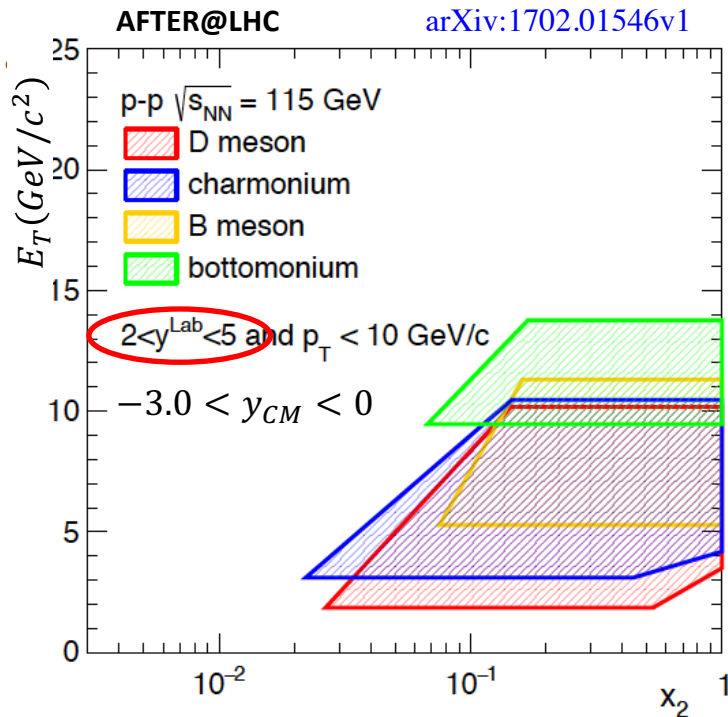


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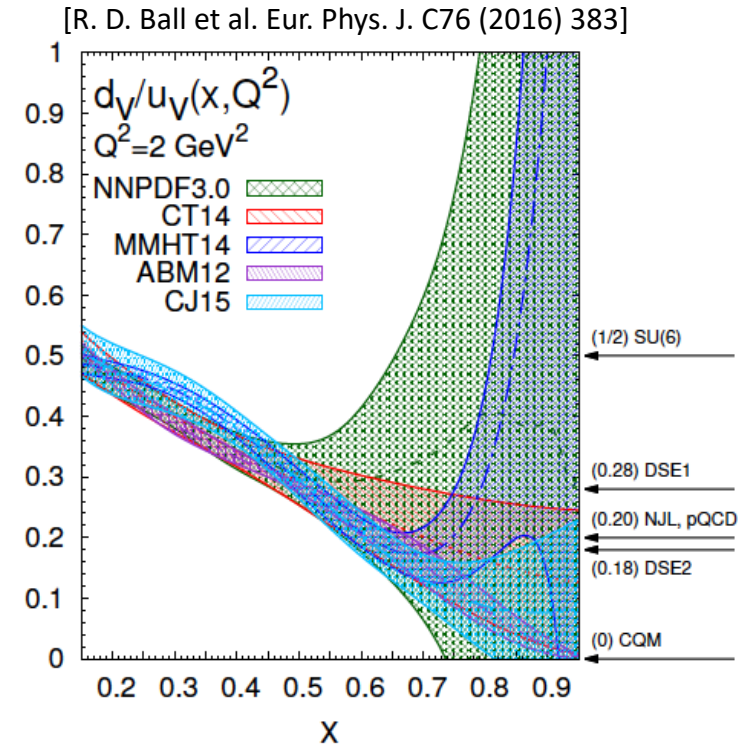
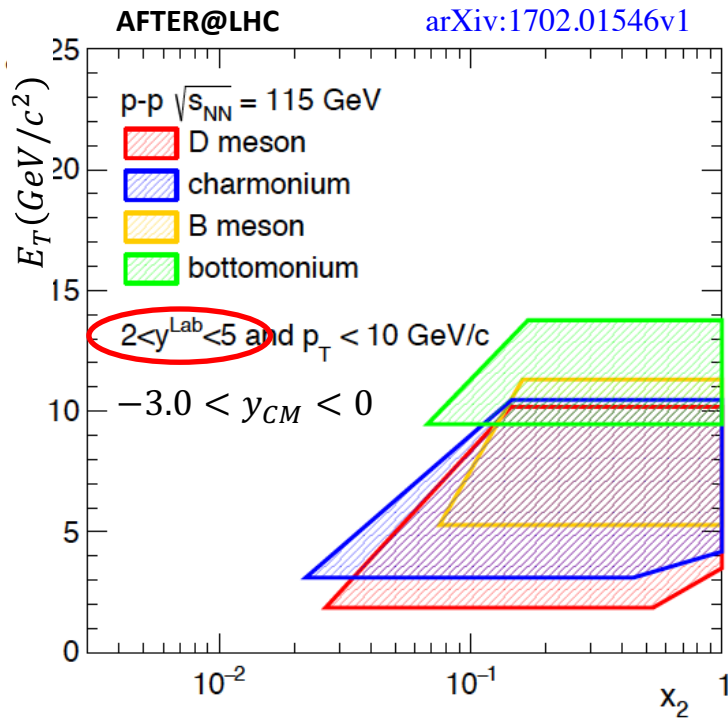
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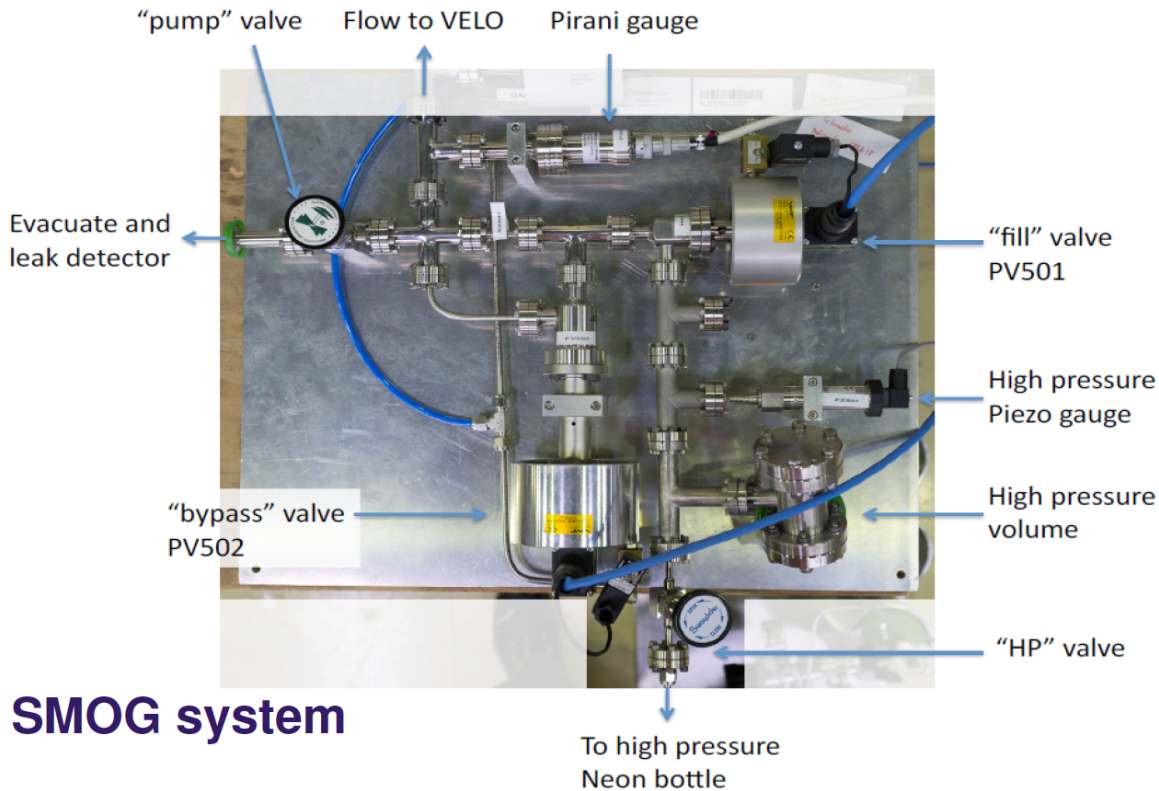
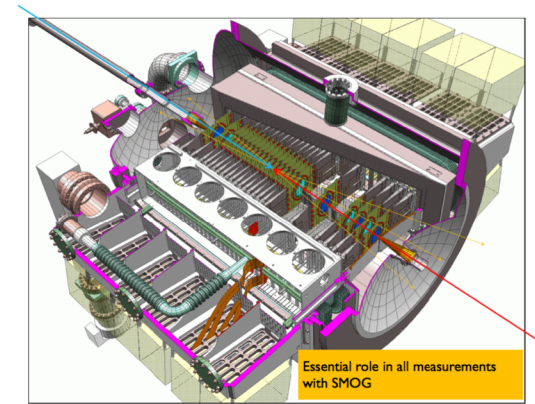


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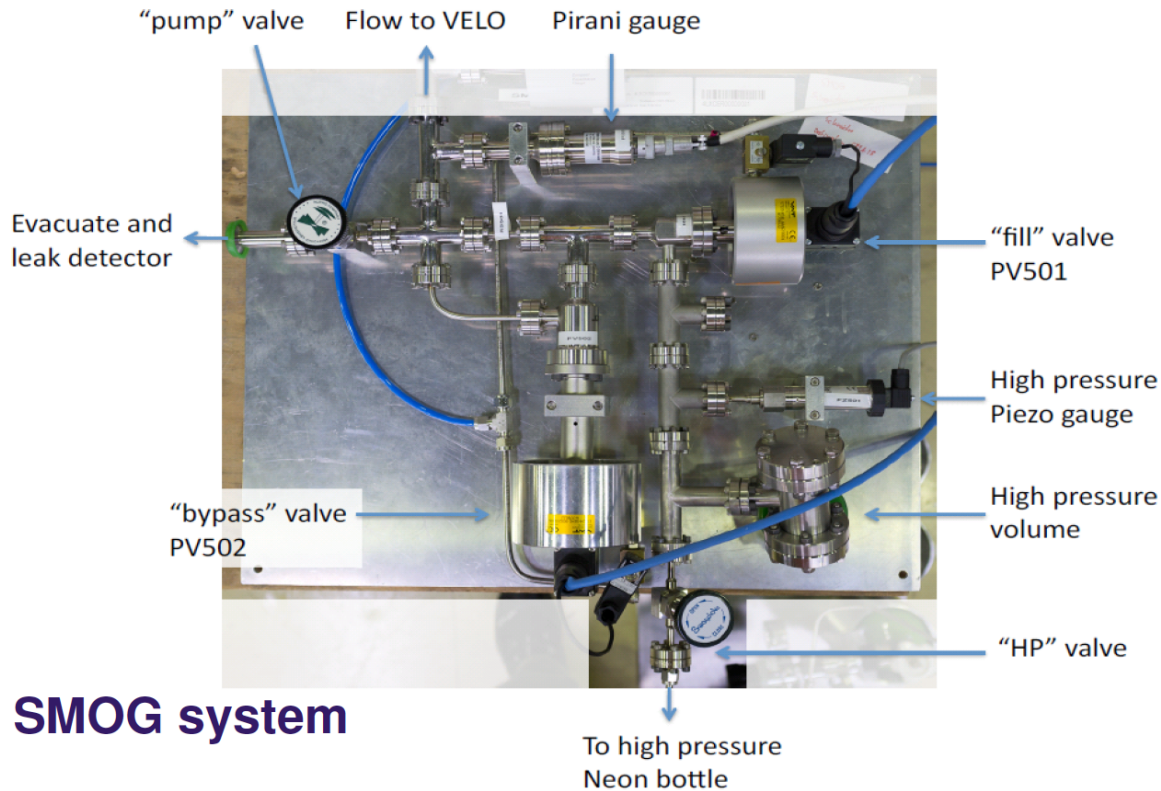
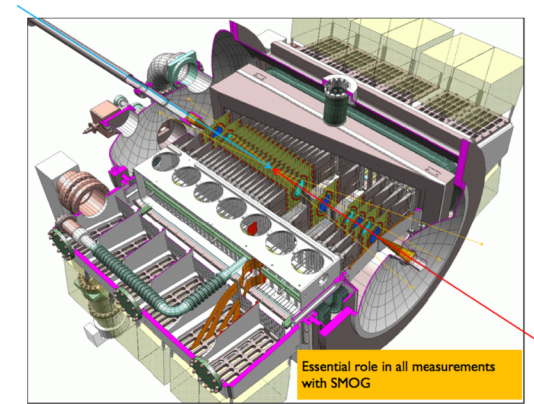


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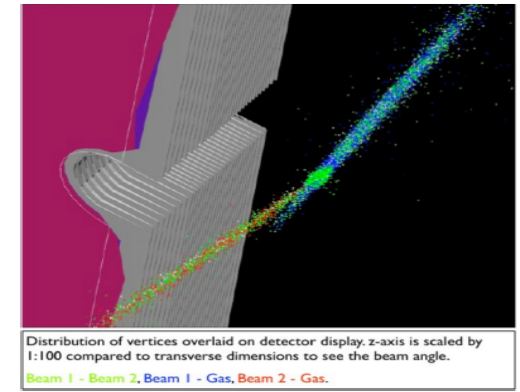
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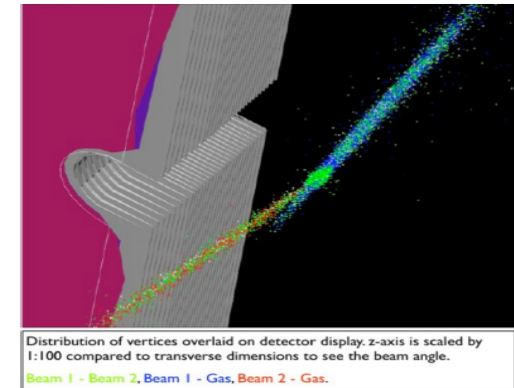
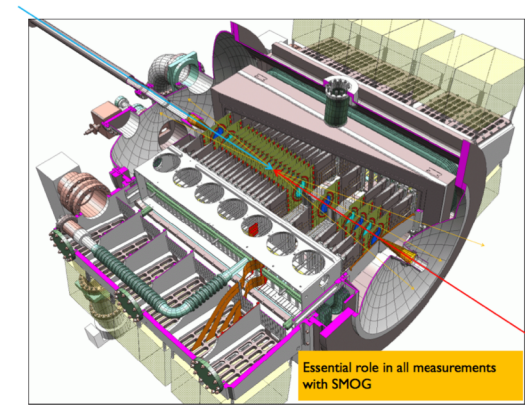
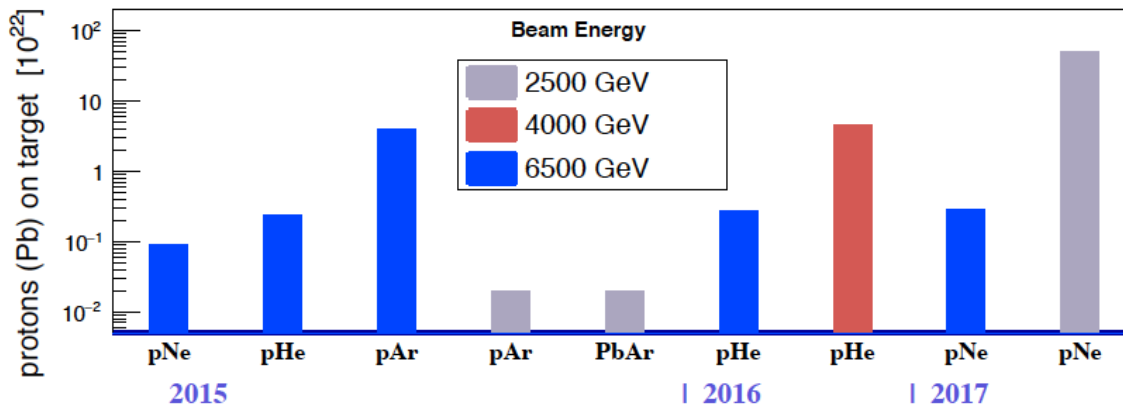


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- ✓ First measurements of charm production in fixed-target configuration at the LHC, Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 132002 (2019)
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- search for intrinsic heavy quarks
- study of QGP formation
- ... and much more!

Selected physics opportunities
















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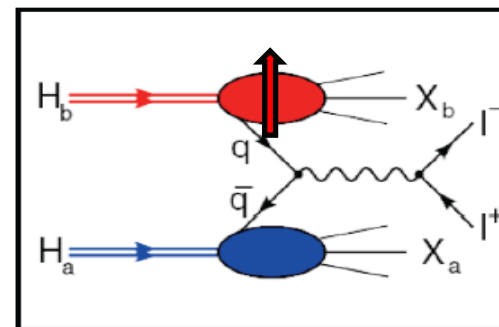
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- **Significant experimental progress in the last 15 years!**
- First extractions from global analyses

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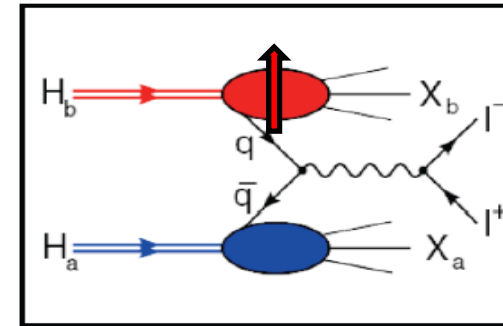
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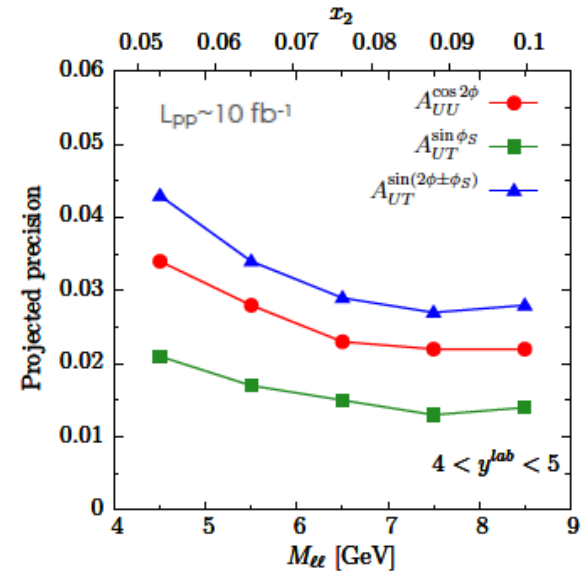
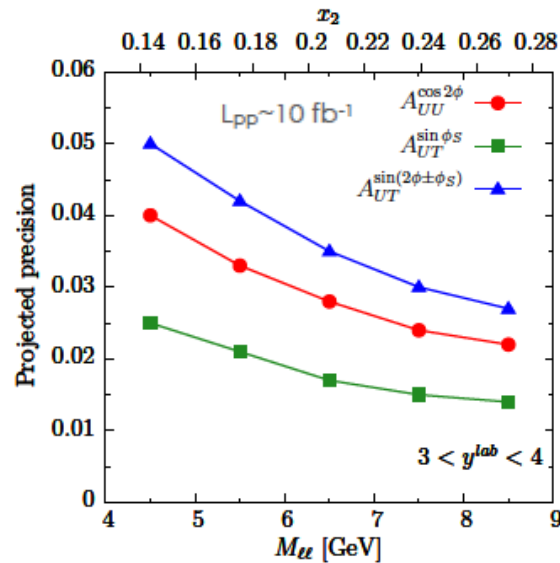
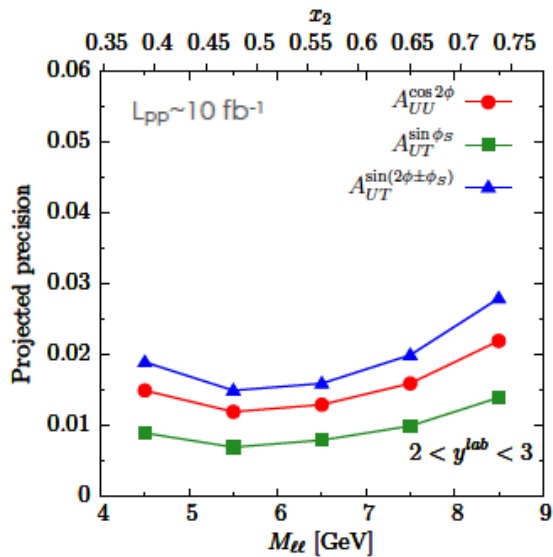
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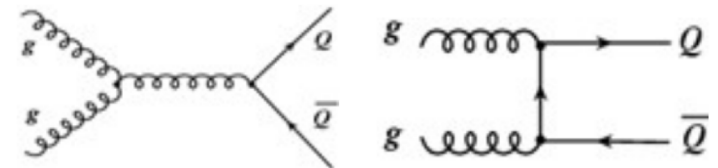
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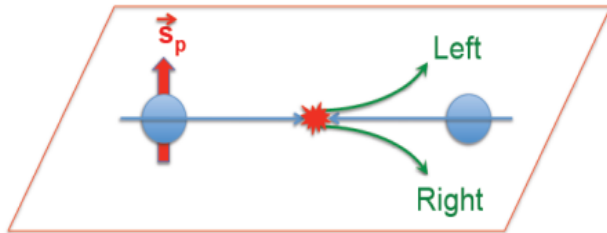
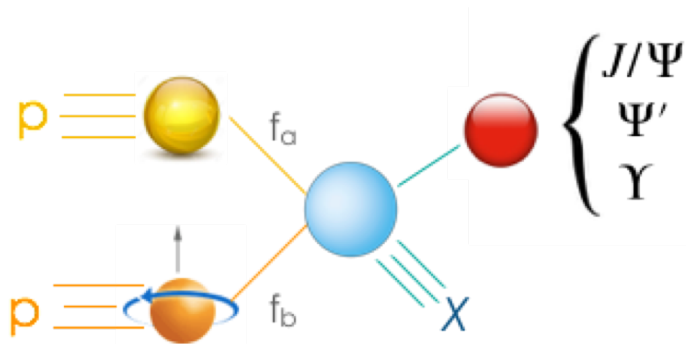
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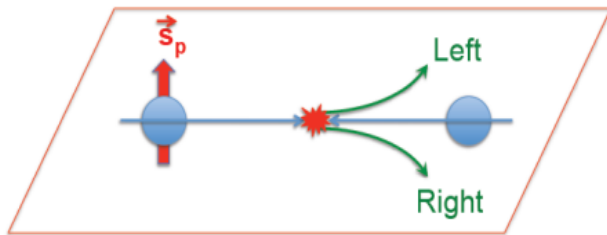
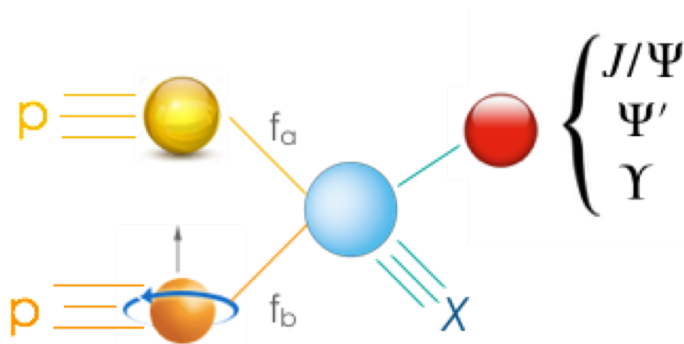
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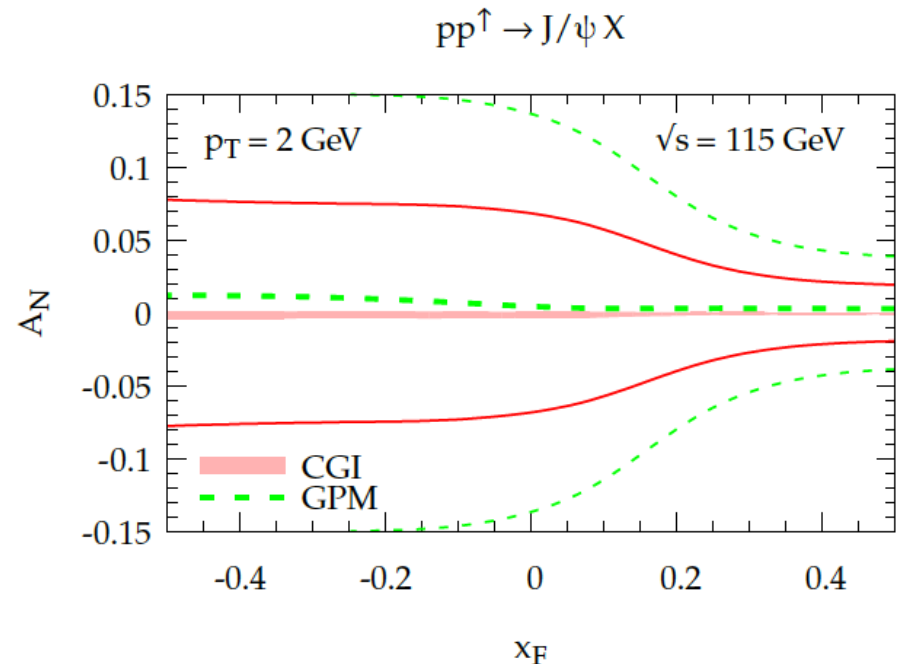
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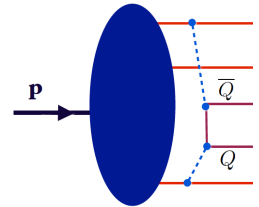
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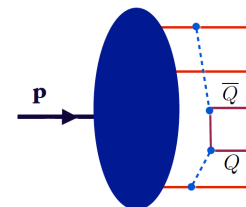
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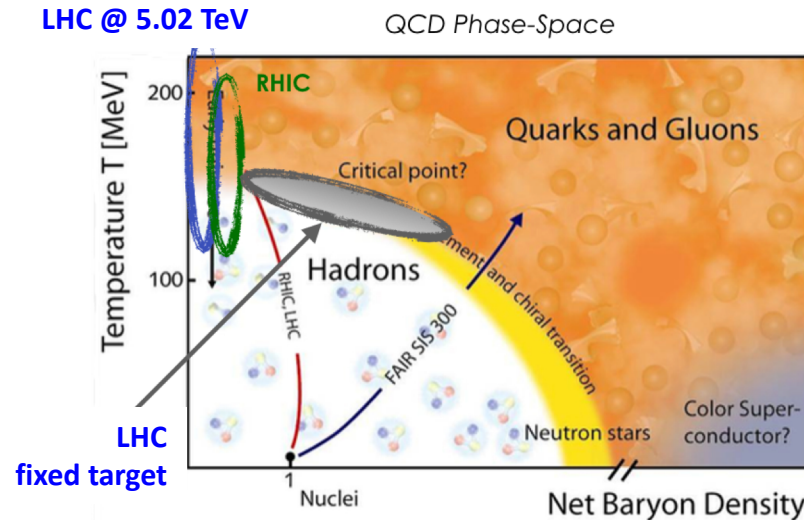
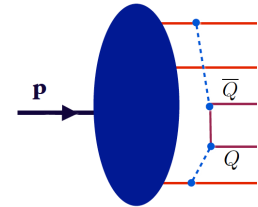
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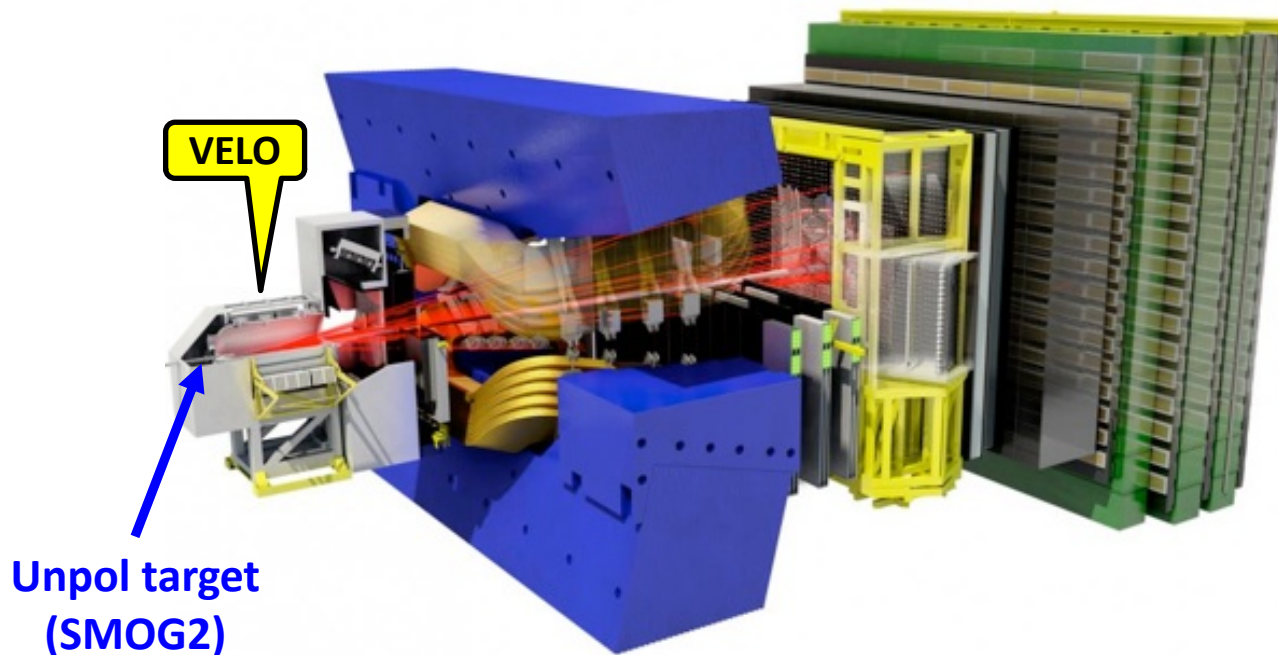
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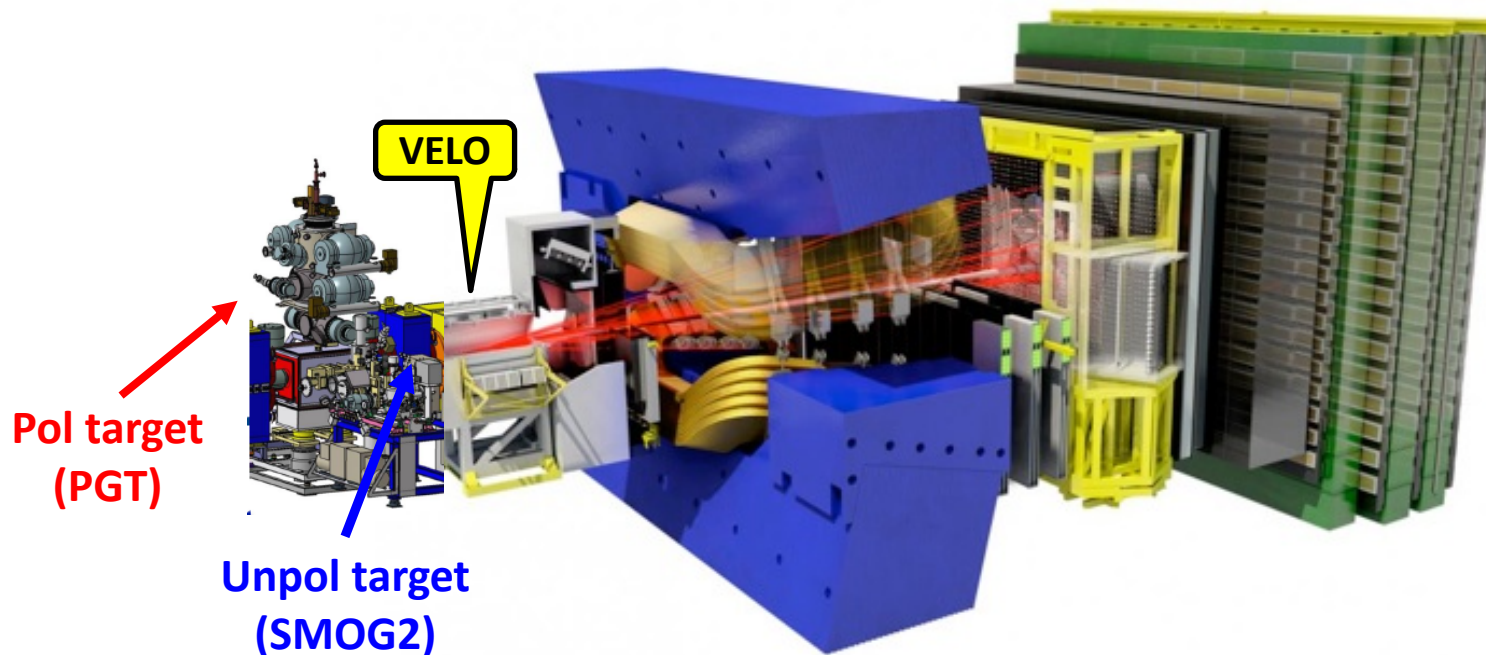
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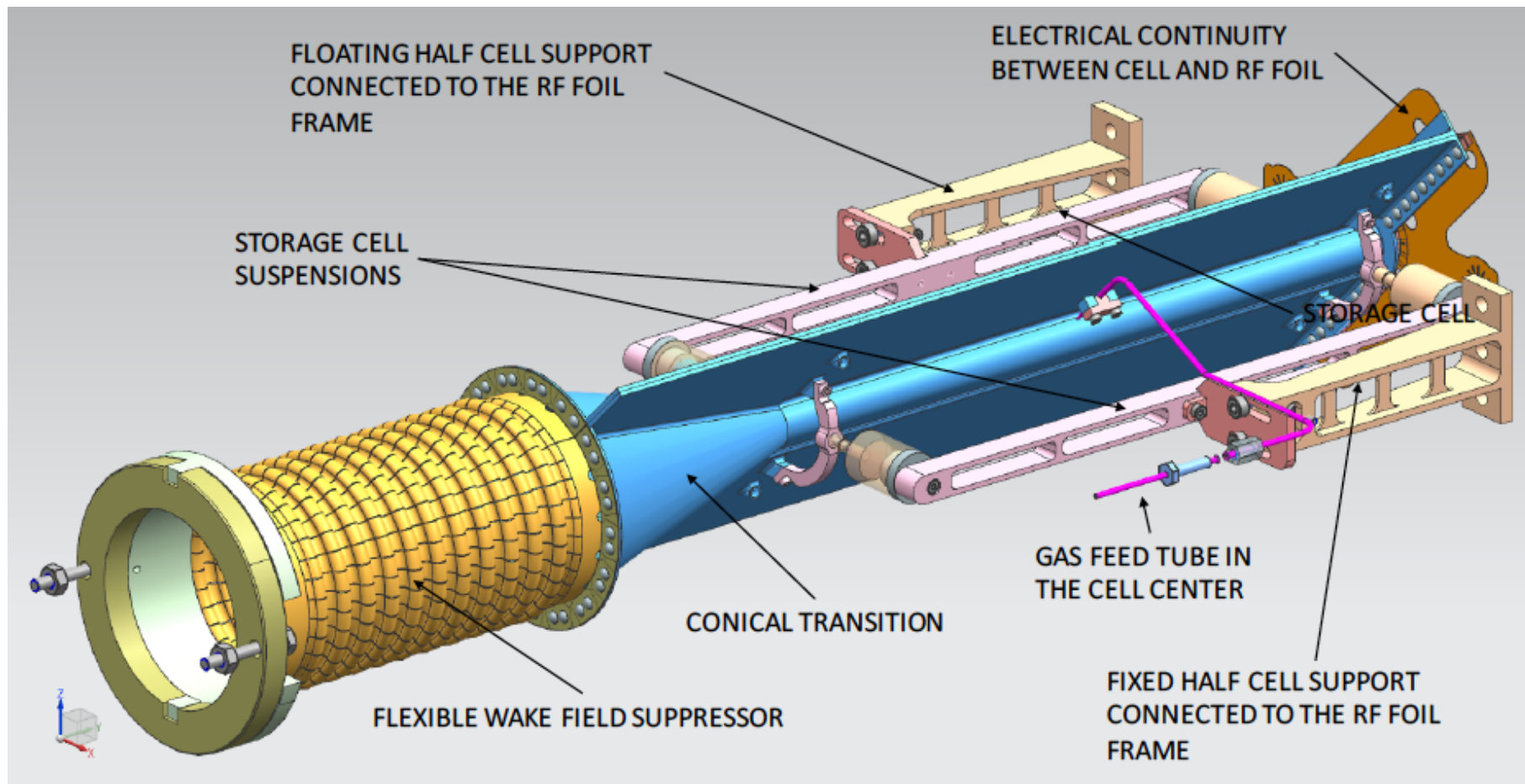
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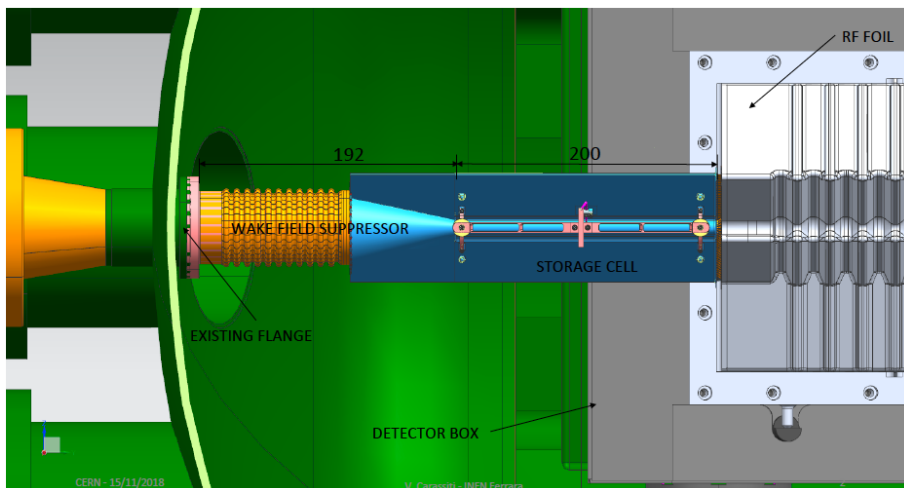
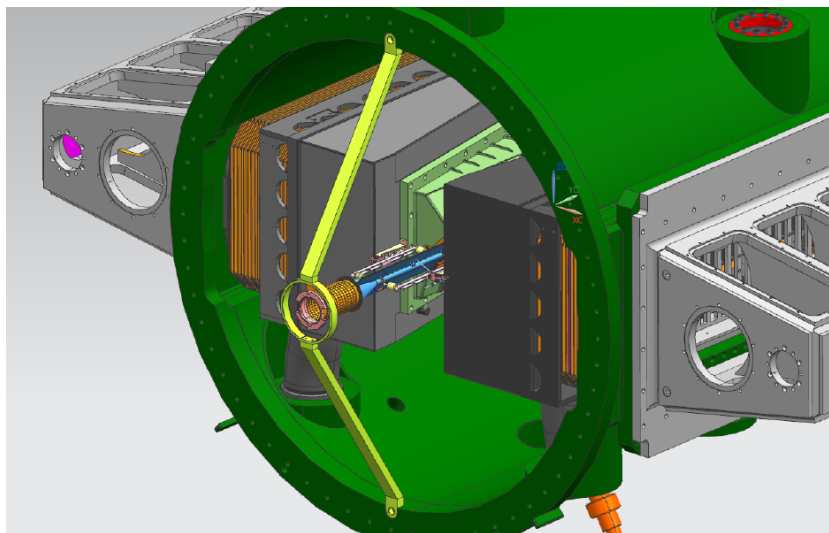


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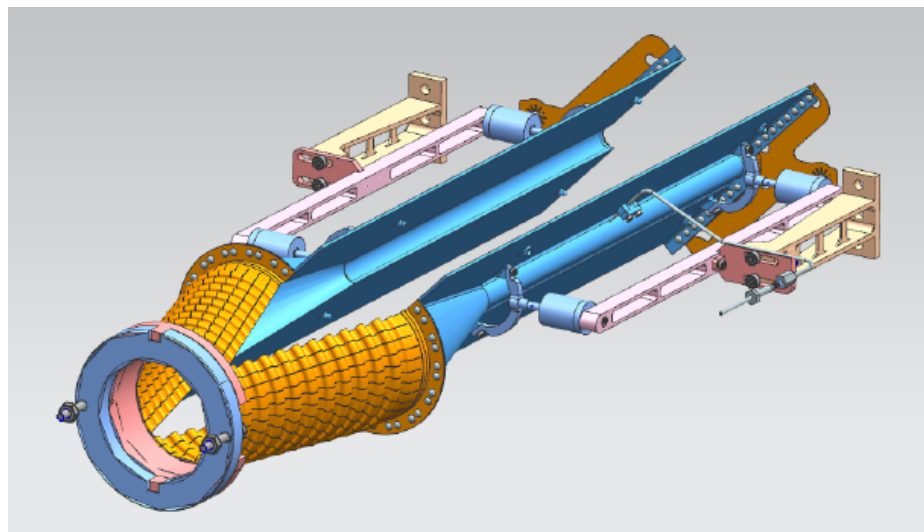
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SMOG2 vs. SMOG



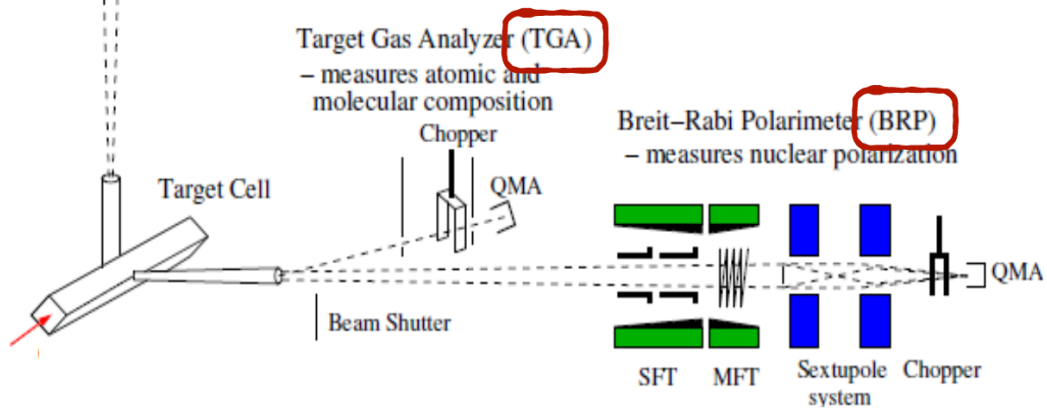
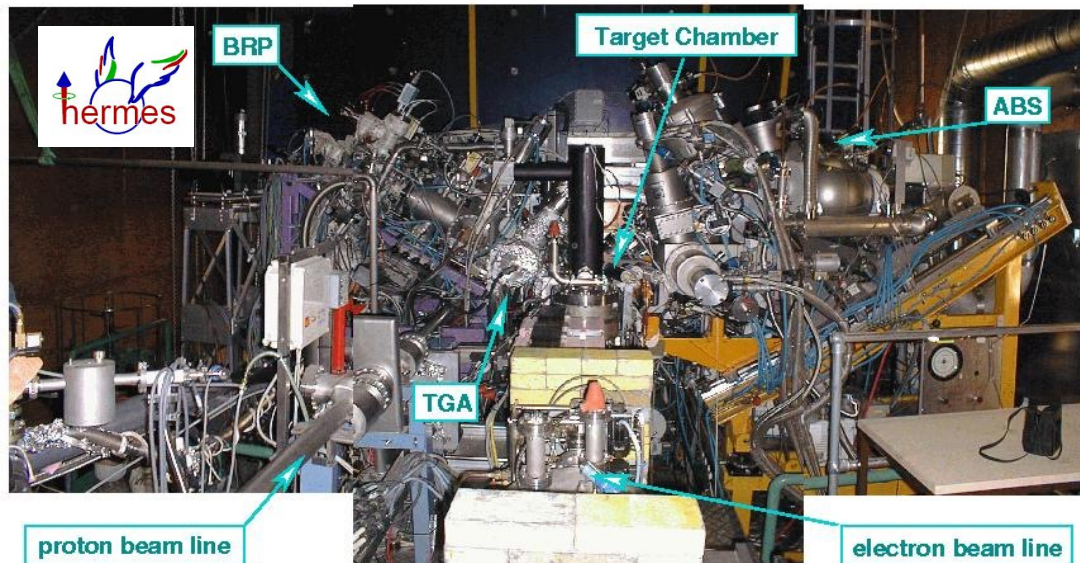
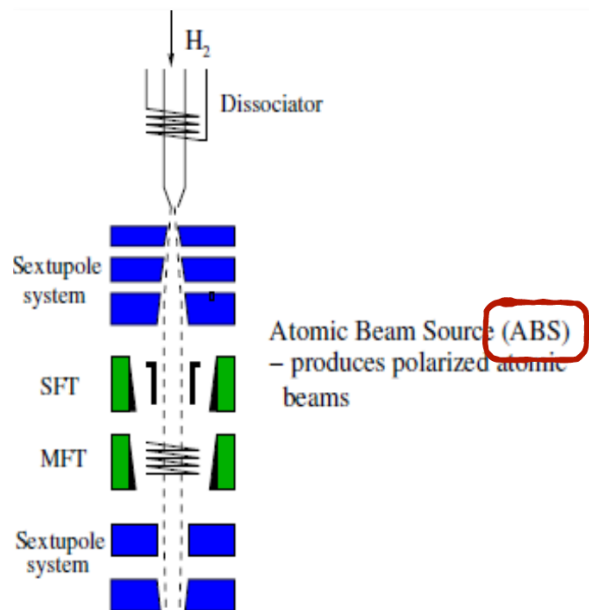
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- ✓ Possibility to inject **more gas species**: H, D, He, O, Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe (SMOG: He, Ne, Ar)
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- ✓ Well **defined interaction region** upstream of the IP@13 TeV (limited to cell length: 20 cm)
- ✓ SMOG2 can (in principle) **run in parallel with collider mode** (well displaced IP)

Phase II: the polarized target setup

A new design for a compact polarized gas target



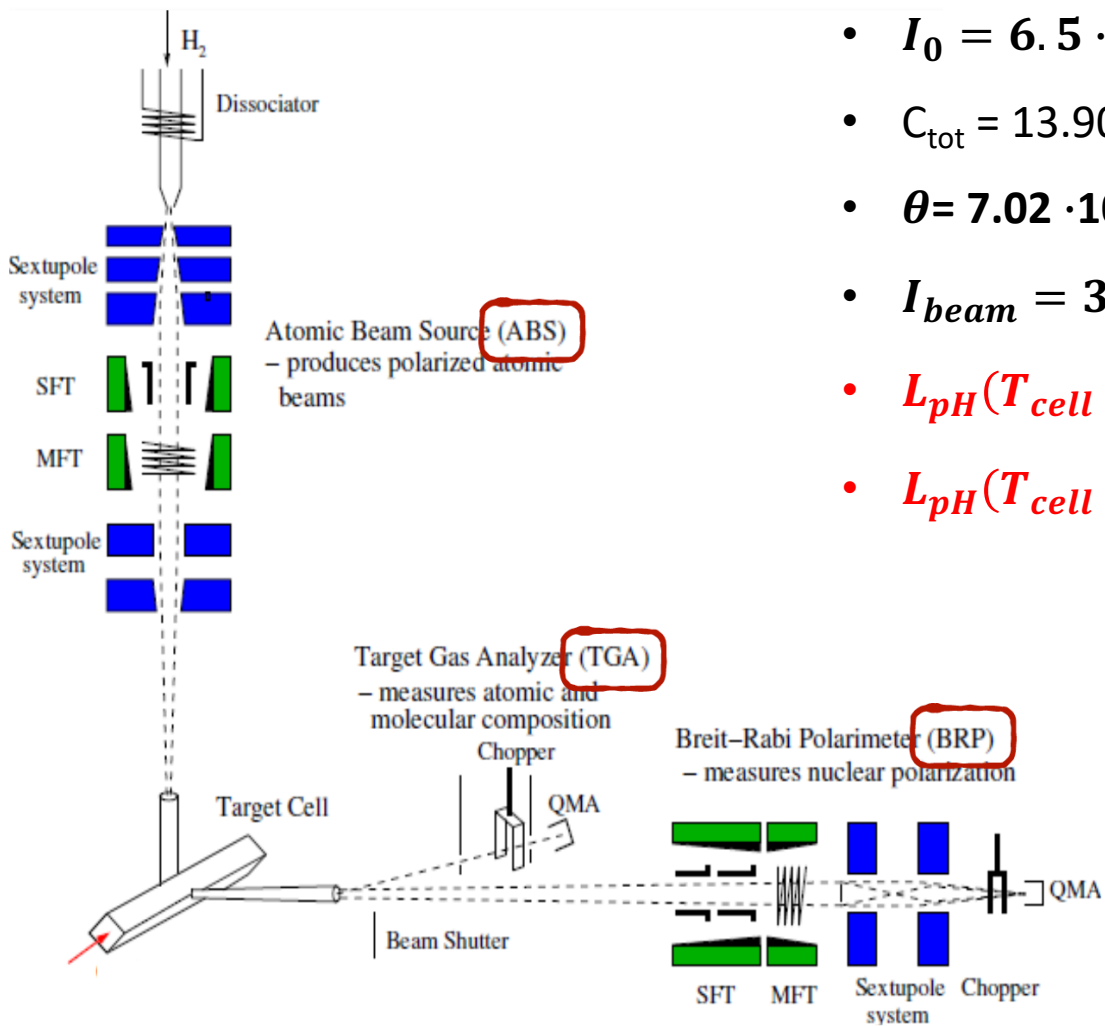
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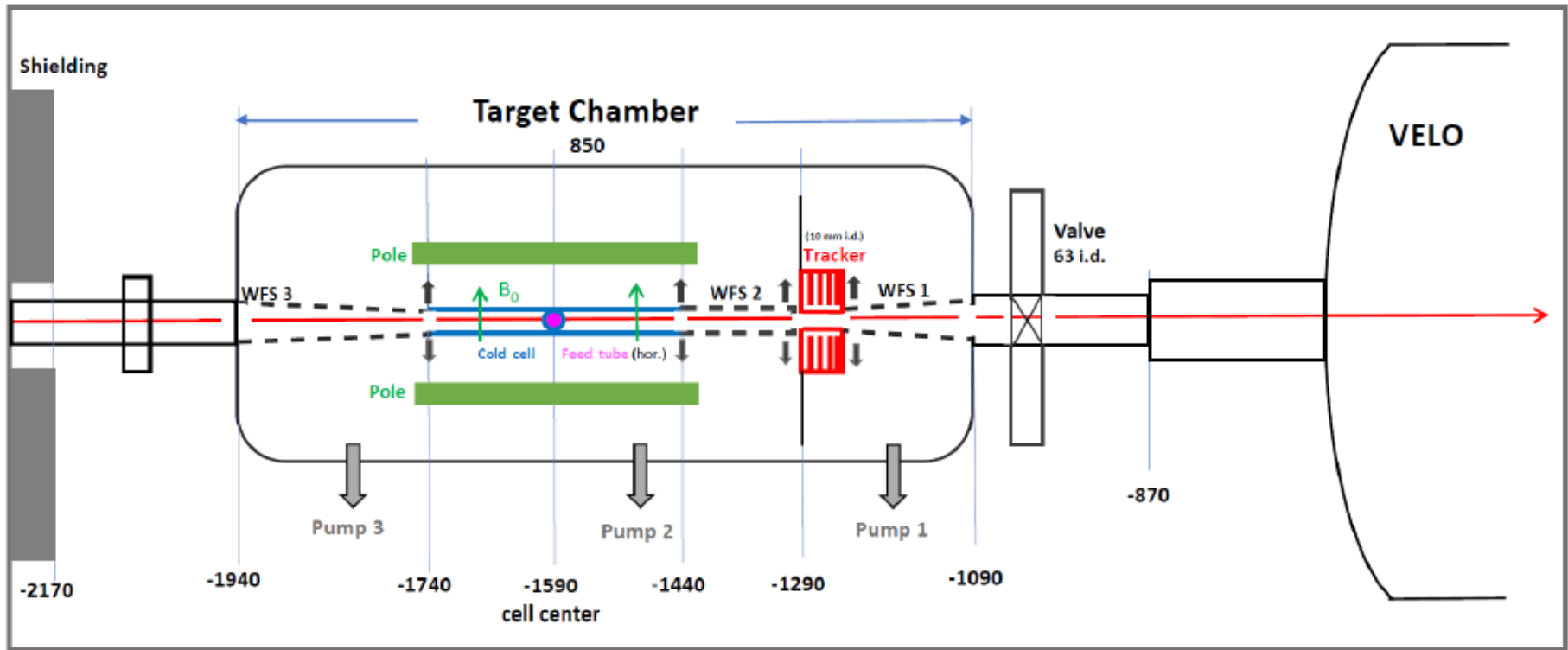
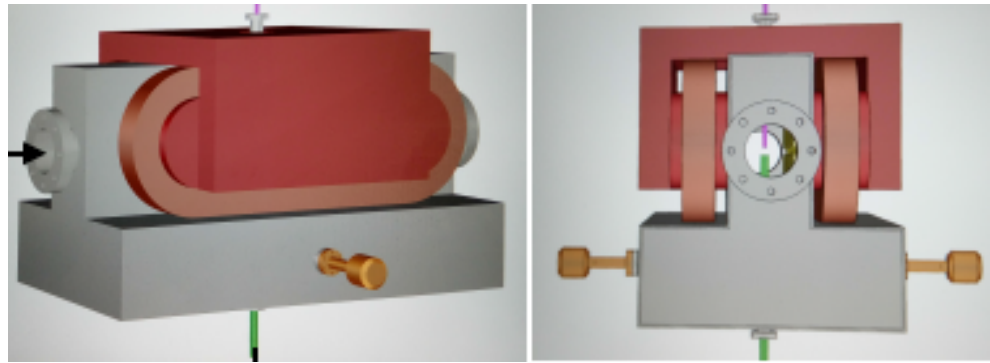
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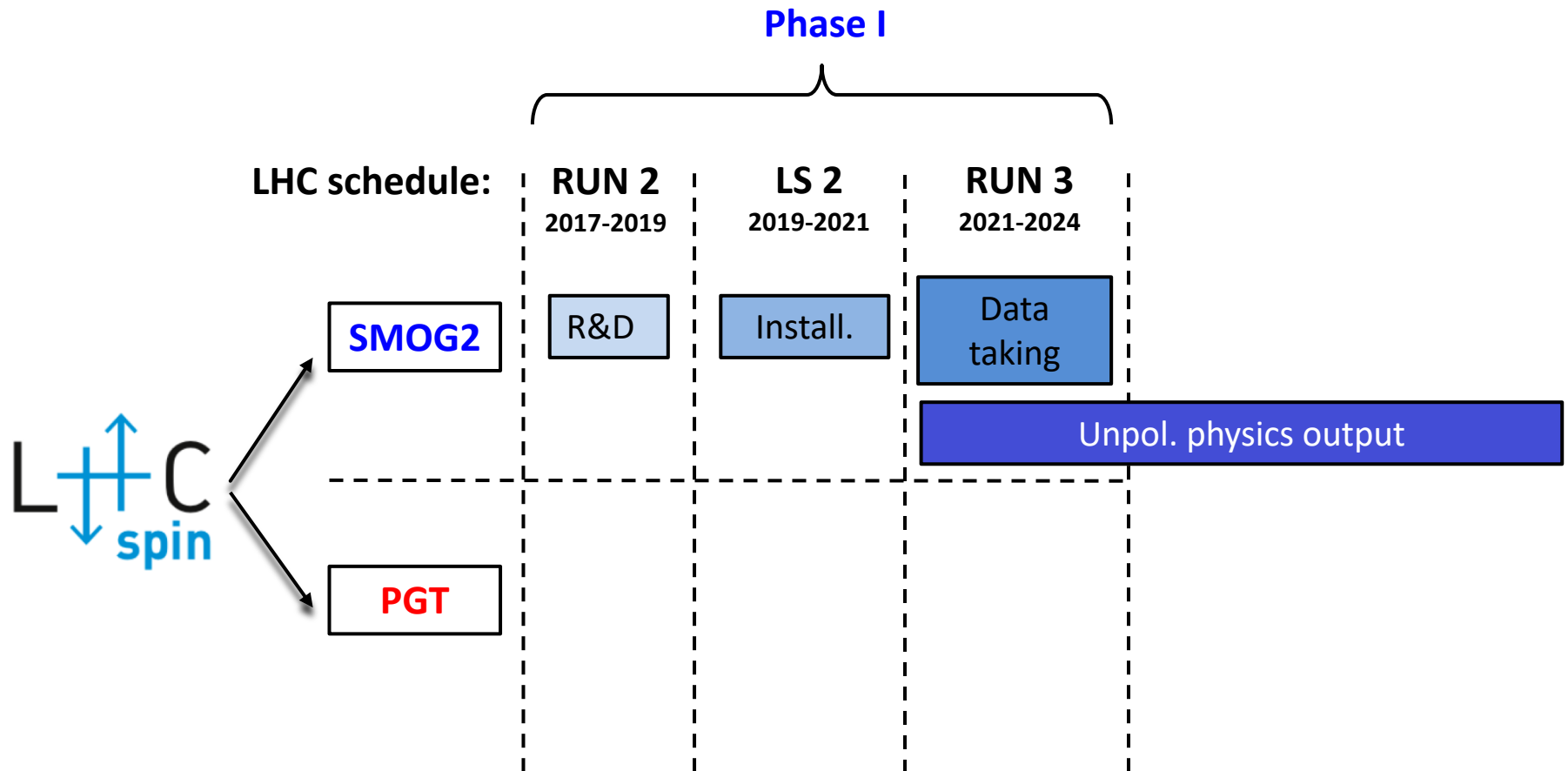
Some numbers:

- $I_0 = 6.5 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- $C_{\text{tot}} = 13.90 \text{ l/s}$
- $\theta = 7.02 \cdot 10^{13} / \text{cm}^2$
- $I_{\text{beam}} = 3.8 \cdot 10^{18} \text{ p/s}$ (very conservative!)
- $L_{pH}(T_{\text{cell}} = 300 \text{ K}) = 2.7 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- $L_{pH}(T_{\text{cell}} = 100 \text{ K}) = 4.6 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

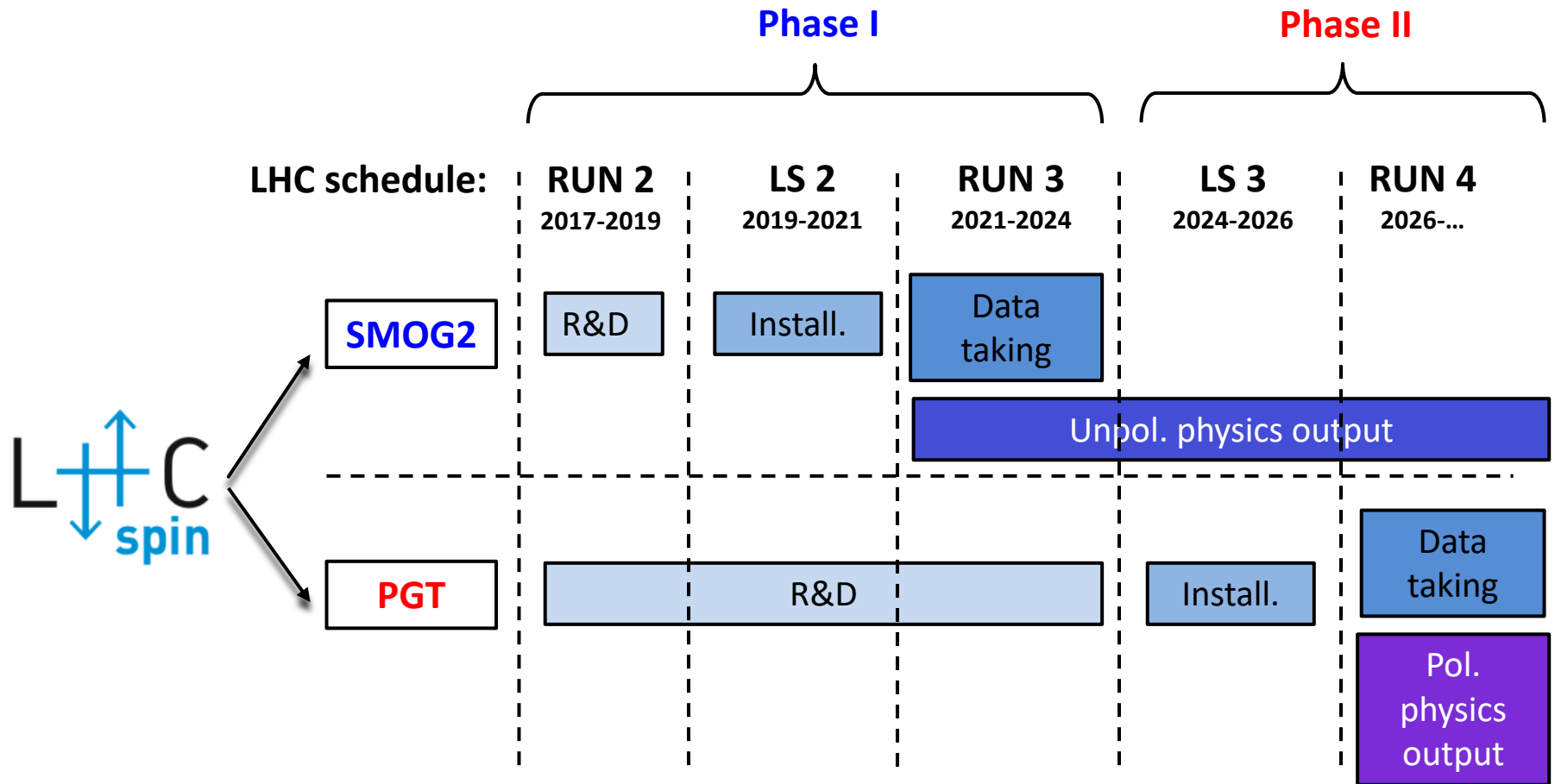
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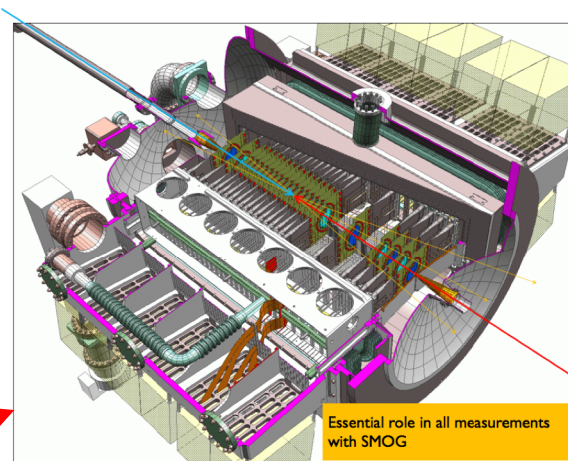
Anyone interested to contribute to this fascinating challenge is welcome to join us!!



Backup

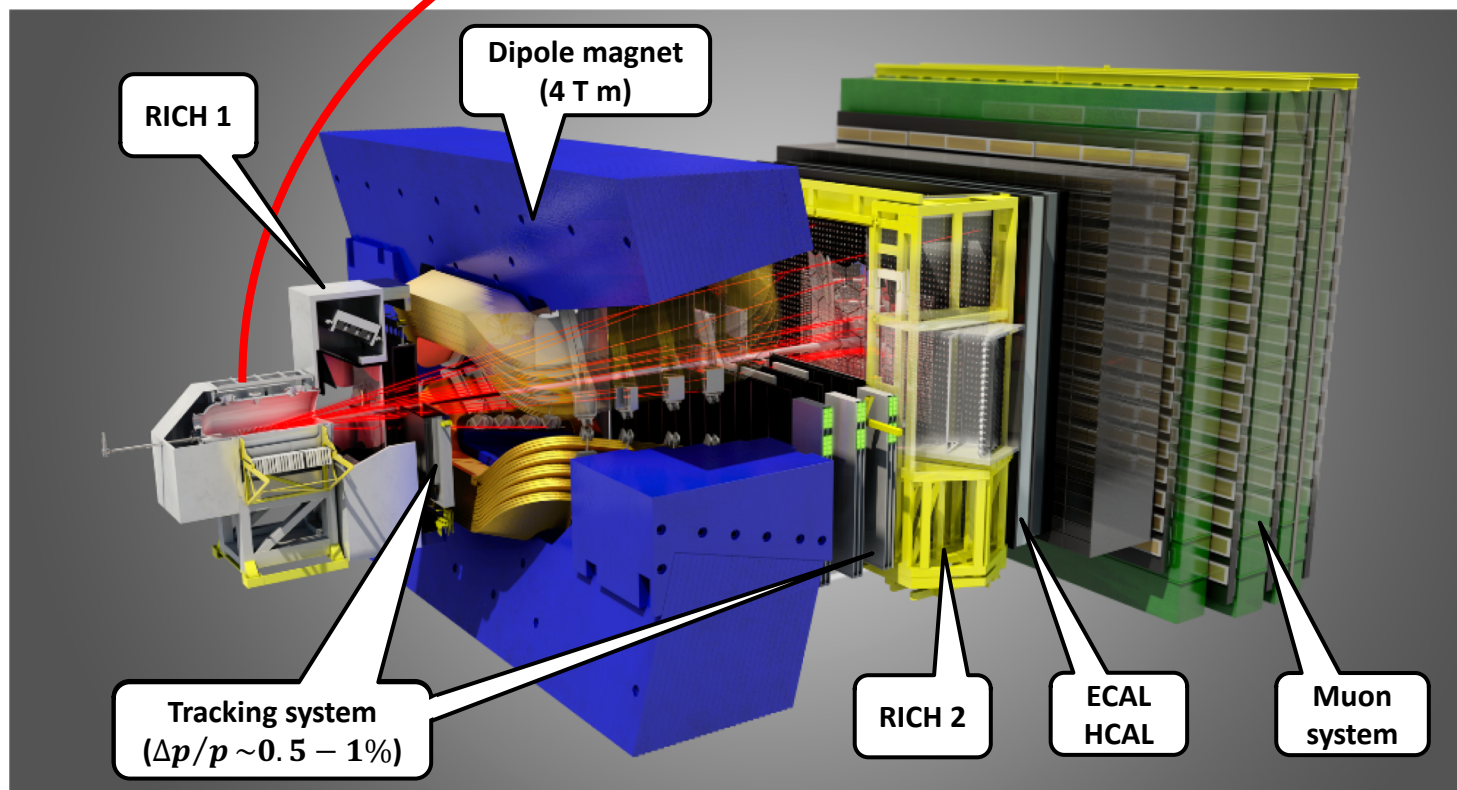
The LHCb detector

- A single-arm spectrometer designed for the study of particles containing c or b quarks
- **Forward acceptance:** $2 < \eta < 5$

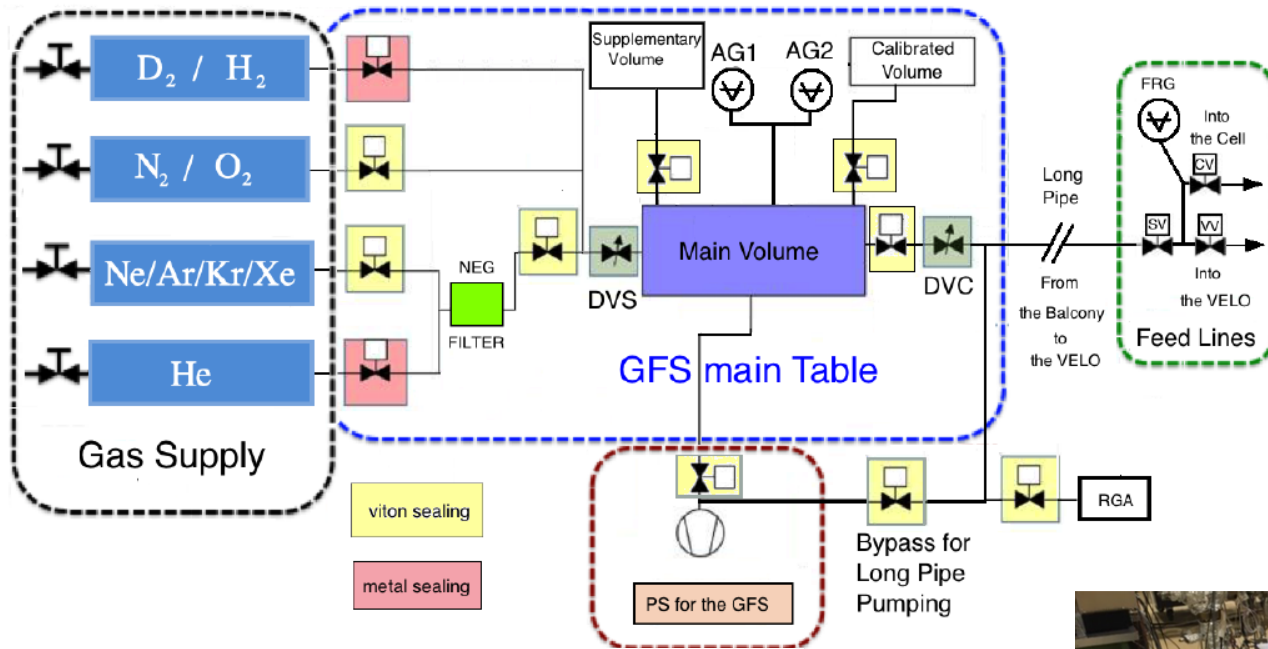


VELO (Vertex Locator)

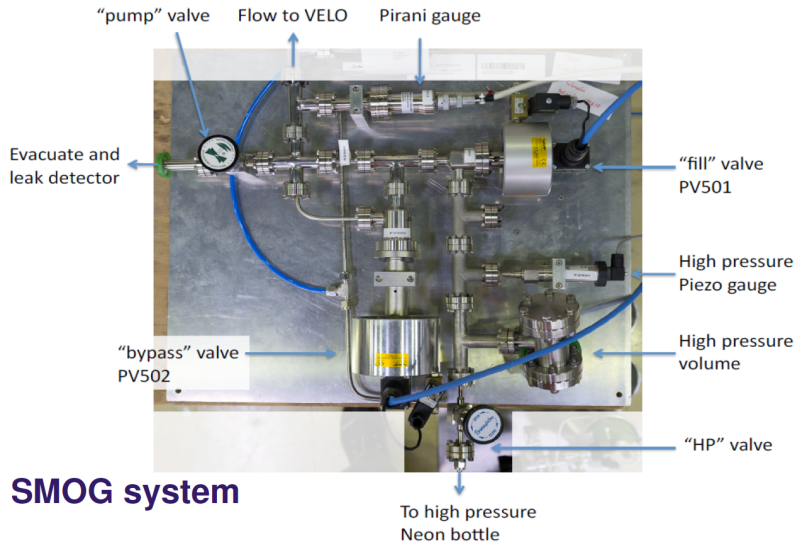
- Vertex reconstruction
- IP resolution of $20 \mu\text{m}$
- 21 stations of Si strip det.
- 2048 strips per sensor.



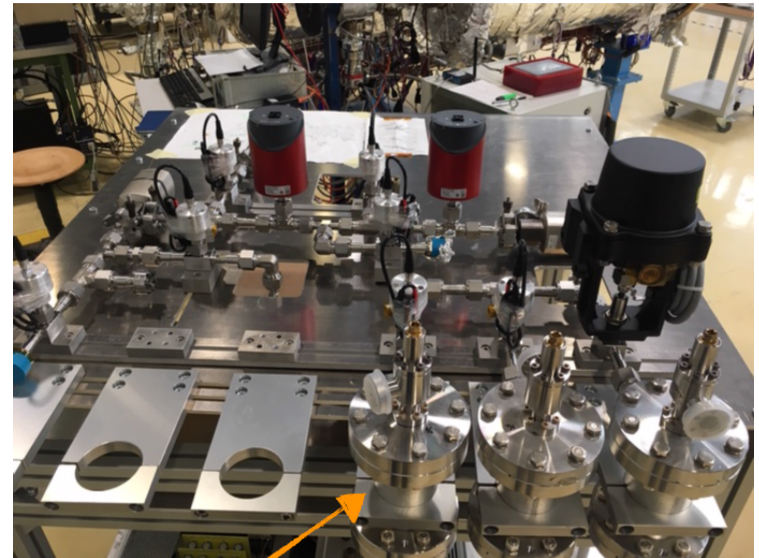
The SMOG2 setup



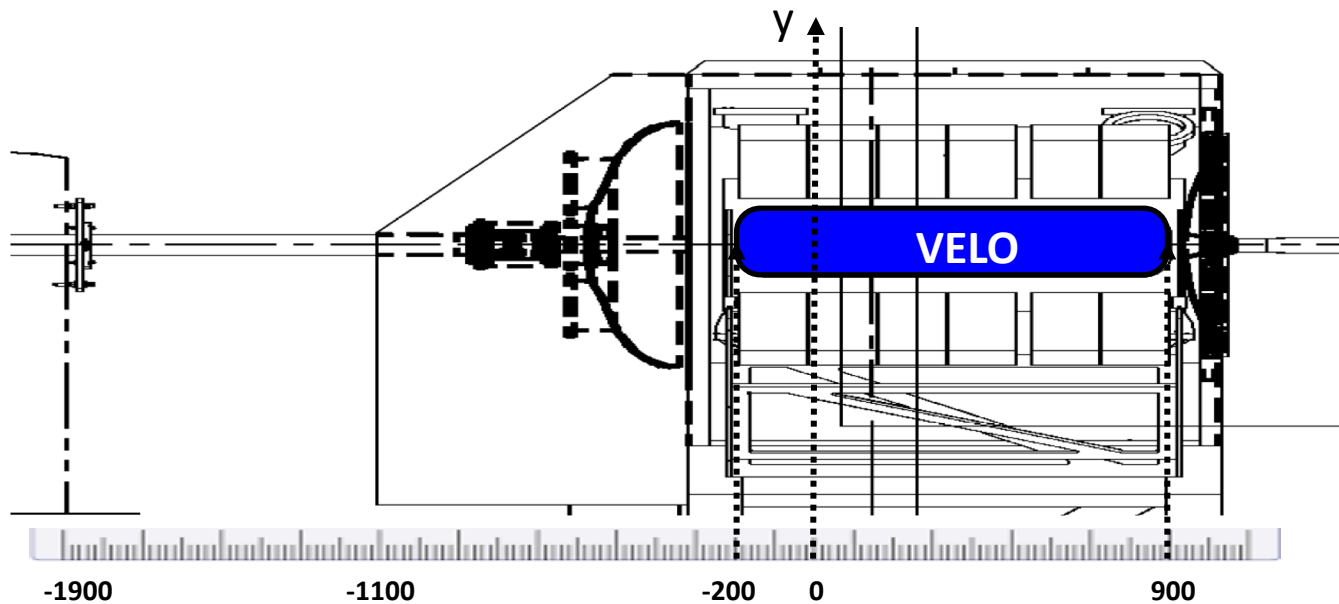
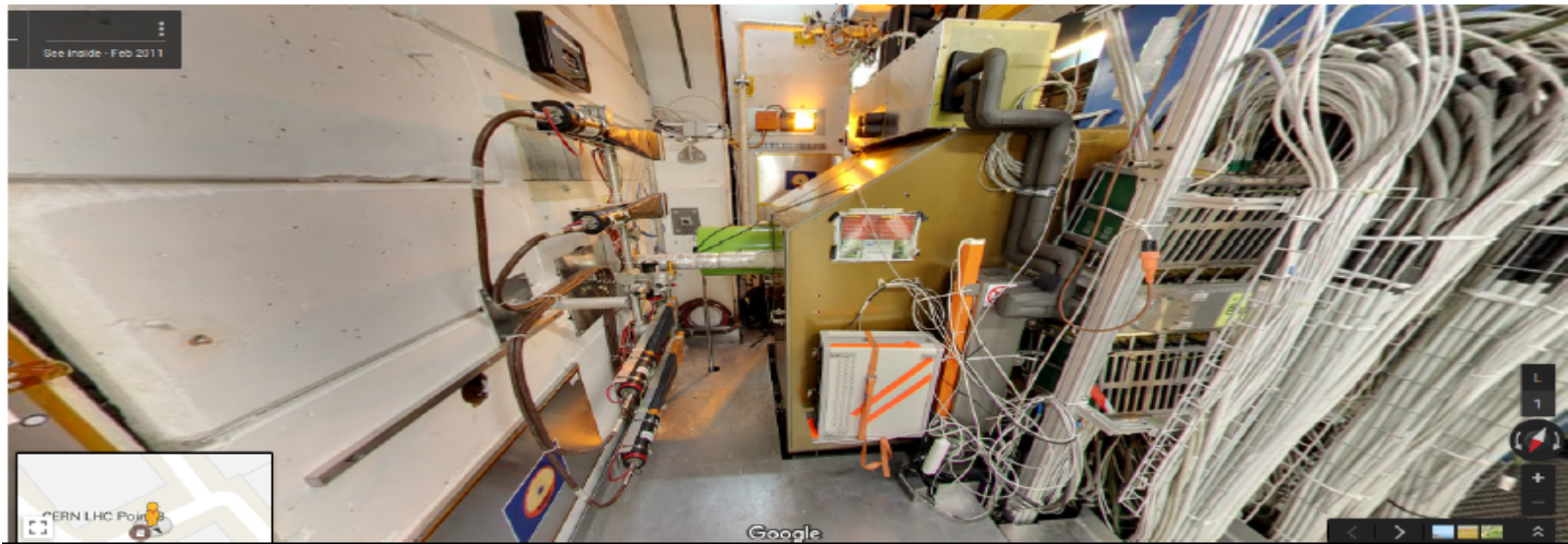
SMOG2 gas feed system



SMOG system



There is sufficient room beyond the VELO...

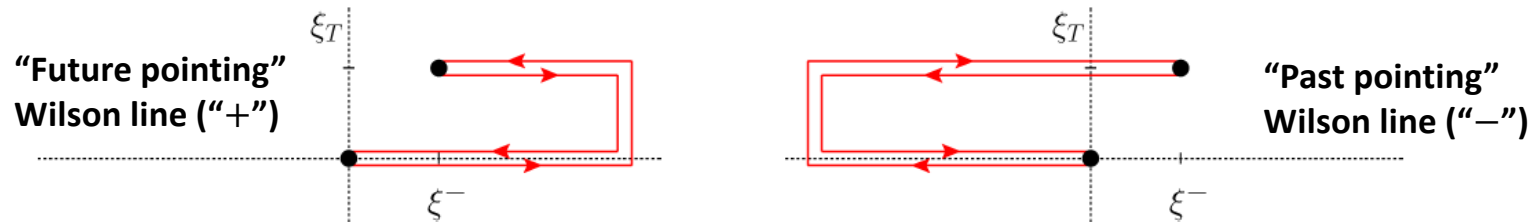


Process dependence

As for quark TMDs, also the gluon TMD phenomenology is enriched by the **process dependence** originating from ISI/FSI and encoded in the **gauge links**.

The gluon correlator depends on two path-dependent gauge links [D. Boer: [arXiv:1611.06089](https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.06089)]

$$\Gamma^{\mu\nu}[\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}'](x, \mathbf{k}_T) \equiv \int \frac{d(\xi \cdot P) d^2 \xi_T}{(P \cdot n)^2 (2\pi)^3} e^{i(xP + k_T) \cdot \xi} \langle P | \text{Tr}_c \left[F^{n\nu}(0) \boxed{\mathcal{U}_{[0, \xi]}} F^{n\mu}(\xi) \boxed{\mathcal{U}'_{[\xi, 0]}} \right] | P \rangle$$



Both f_1^g and $h_1^{\perp g}$ are process dependent! Each of them can be of two types:

$$[+ +] = [- -] \quad \text{Weizsacker-Williams (WW)} \quad [+ -] = [- +] \quad \text{DiPole (DP)}$$

- can differ in magnitude and width (!)
- can be probed by different processes

Process dependence

- Can be measured at the EIC
- Can be measured at the LHC with FT

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	DIS	DY	SIDIS	$pA \rightarrow \gamma \text{jet } X$	$ep \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$ $ep \rightarrow e' j_1 j_2 X$	$pp \rightarrow \eta_{c,b} X$ $pp \rightarrow H X$	$pp \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma X$ $pp \rightarrow \Upsilon \gamma X$
$f_1^g^{+,+}$ (WW)	×	×	×	×	✓	✓	✓
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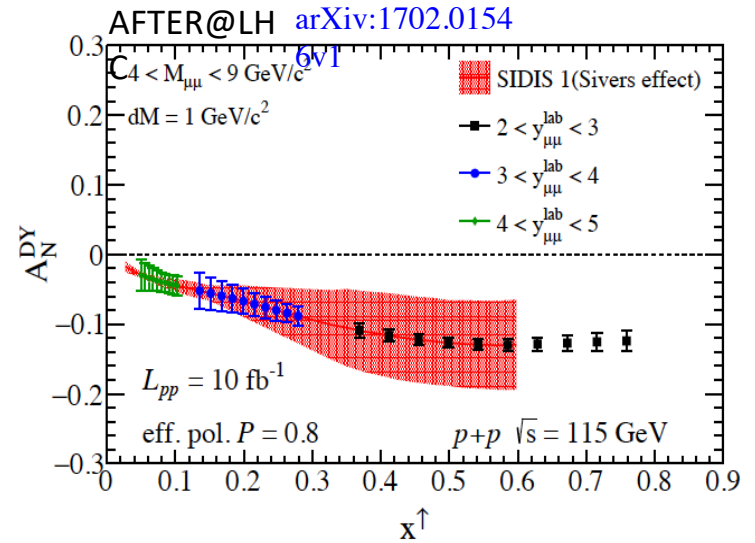
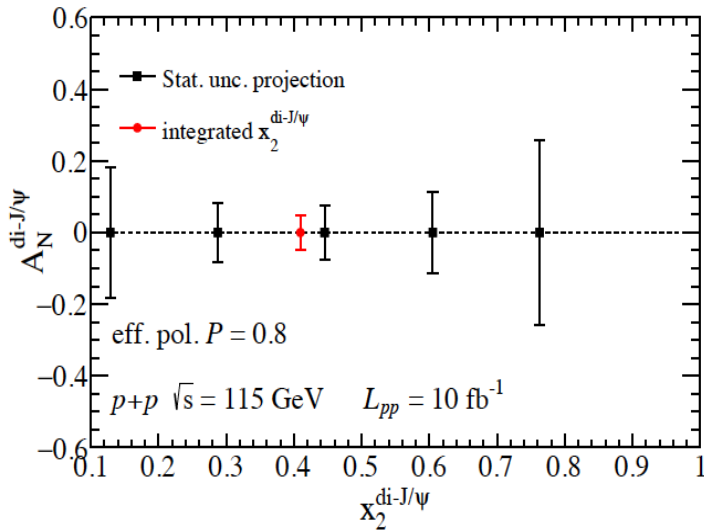
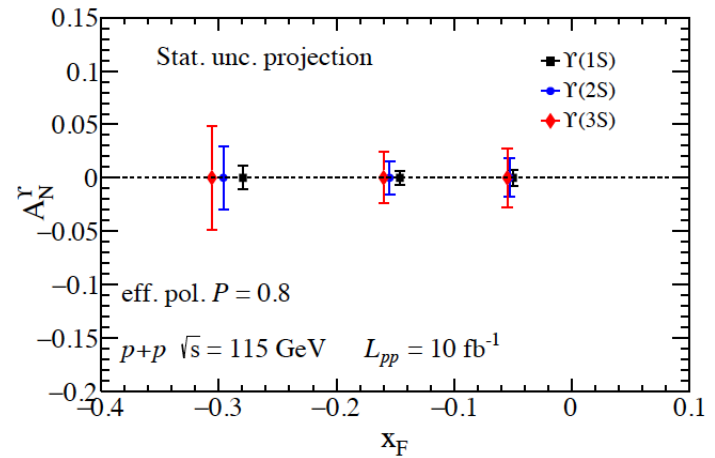
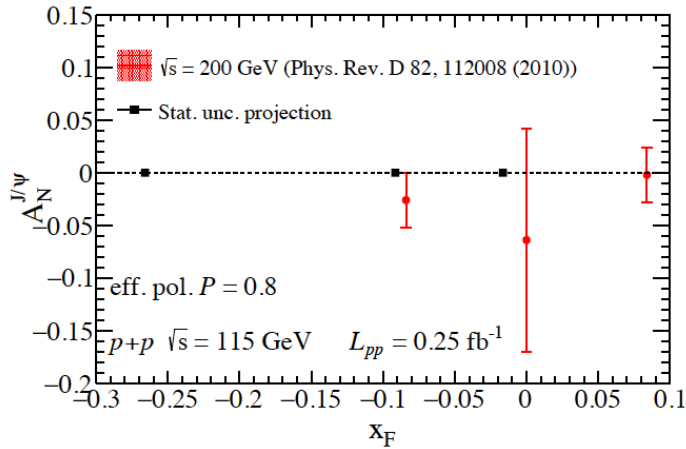
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$f_{1T}^{\perp g^{+,+}}$ (WW)	×	×	×	×	✓	✓
$f_{1T}^{\perp g^{+,-}}$ (DP)	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×

$[+, +] \longleftrightarrow f_{1T}^{\perp g[ep^\dagger \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X]}(x, p_T^2) = -f_{1T}^{\perp g[p^\dagger p \rightarrow \gamma \gamma X]}(x, p_T^2) \longleftrightarrow [-, -]$

Same sign-change relation expected for the other T-odd gTMDs h_1^g and $h_{1T}^{\perp g}$!

(projected results from **AFTER@LHC** [arXiv:1702.01546v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.01546v1))



Main reactions of interest

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow \eta_c + X$ ($pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow \chi_{c,b} + X$)

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow J/\psi + X$

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow \Upsilon + X$

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow J/\psi + J/\psi + X$

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow J/\psi + \gamma + X$

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow \Upsilon + \gamma + X$

☛ Pol and unpol gluon PDFs

➤ $pp \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- + X$ ($pp \rightarrow e^+ e^- + X$)

➤ $pd \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- + X$ ($pd \rightarrow e^+ e^- + X$)

momentum distrib. of sea quarks

☛ & unpolarized TMDs of valence and sea quarks

➤ $pp^\uparrow \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- + X$ ($pp^\uparrow \rightarrow e^+ e^- + X$)

➤ $pd^\uparrow \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- + X$ ($pd^\uparrow \rightarrow e^+ e^- + X$)

☛ TMDs of valence and sea quarks

➤ pA, PbA ($A = He, Ne, Ar, Kr, \dots$)

☛ Nuclear matter effects, QGP, etc

We warmly encourage our theory colleagues to propose new physics cases and new reactions of interest for LHCSpin!

SMOG2 projections for LHC Run3

Storage cell assumptions	gas type	gas flow (s ⁻¹)	peak density (cm ⁻³)	areal density (cm ⁻²)	time per year (s)	int. lum. (pb ⁻¹)
SMOG2 SC	He	1.1×10^{16}	10^{12}	10^{13}	3×10^3	0.1
	Ne	3.4×10^{15}	10^{12}	10^{13}	3×10^3	0.1
	Ar	2.4×10^{15}	10^{12}	10^{13}	2.5×10^6	80
	Kr	8.5×10^{14}	5×10^{11}	5×10^{12}	1.7×10^6	25
	Xe	6.8×10^{14}	5×10^{11}	5×10^{12}	1.7×10^6	25
	H ₂	1.1×10^{16}	10^{12}	10^{13}	5×10^6	150
	D ₂	7.8×10^{15}	10^{12}	10^{13}	3×10^5	10
	O ₂	2.7×10^{15}	10^{12}	10^{13}	3×10^3	0.1
N ₂	3.4×10^{15}	10^{12}	10^{13}	3×10^3	0.1	

SMOG2 example pAr @115 GeV

Int. Lumi.		80/pb
Sys.error of J/Ψ xsection		~3%
J/Ψ yield		28 M
D^0 yield		280 M
Λ_c yield		2.8 M
Ψ' yield		280 k
$\Upsilon(1S)$ yield		24 k
$DY \mu^+ \mu^-$ yield		24 k