



# Parity Violating Electron Scattering Experiments

(High Precision determination of the weak mixing angle)

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## High Precision Determination of $\sin^2(\theta_W)$

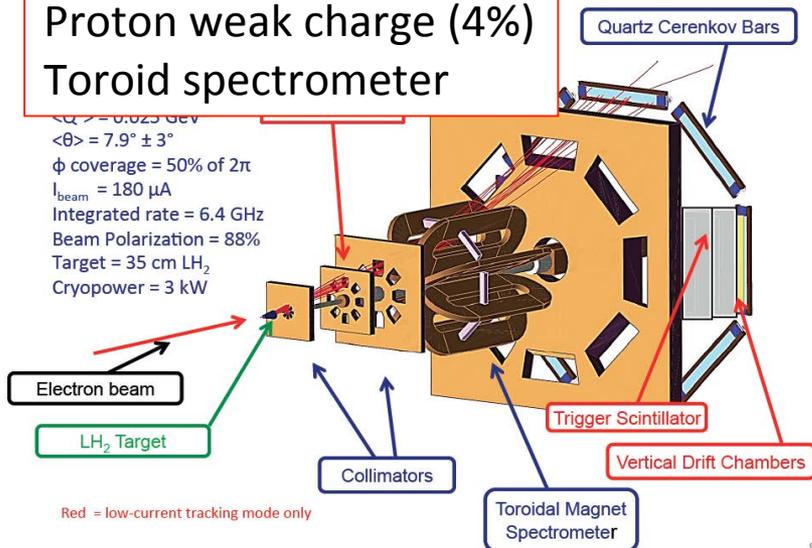
Running of  $\sin^2(\theta_W)$

Sensitivity to new physics

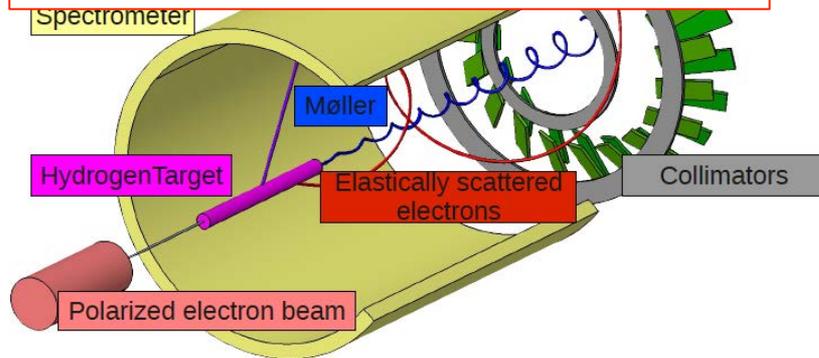
Experimental Method



Qweak (1GeV) @ Jlab  
Proton weak charge (4%)  
Toroid spectrometer

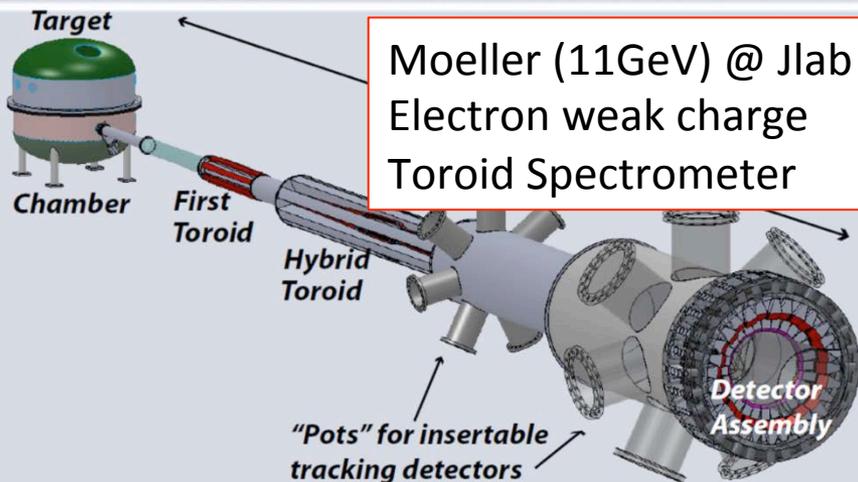


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Proton weak charge (1.7%)  
Solenoid spectrometer

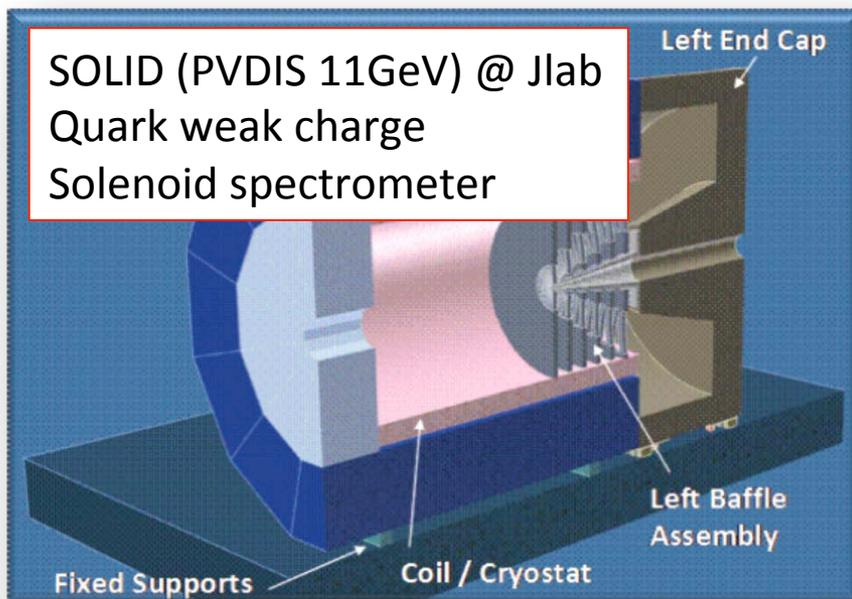


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Electron weak charge  
Toroid Spectrometer



SOLID (PVDIS 11GeV) @ Jlab  
Quark weak charge  
Solenoid spectrometer



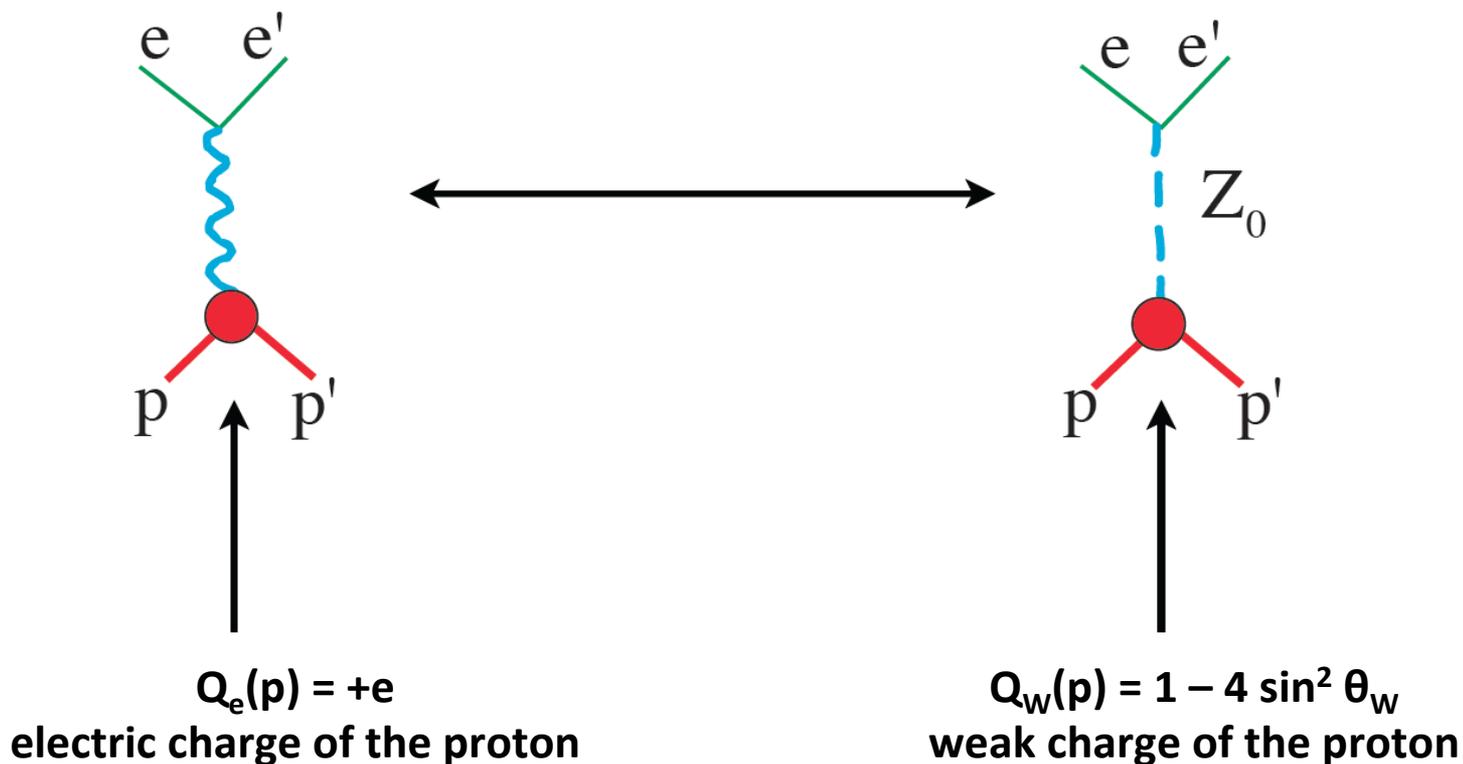


„running“  $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$  or  $\sin^2 \theta_w(\mu)$



## The role of the weak mixing angle

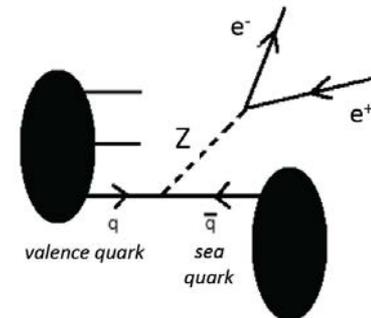
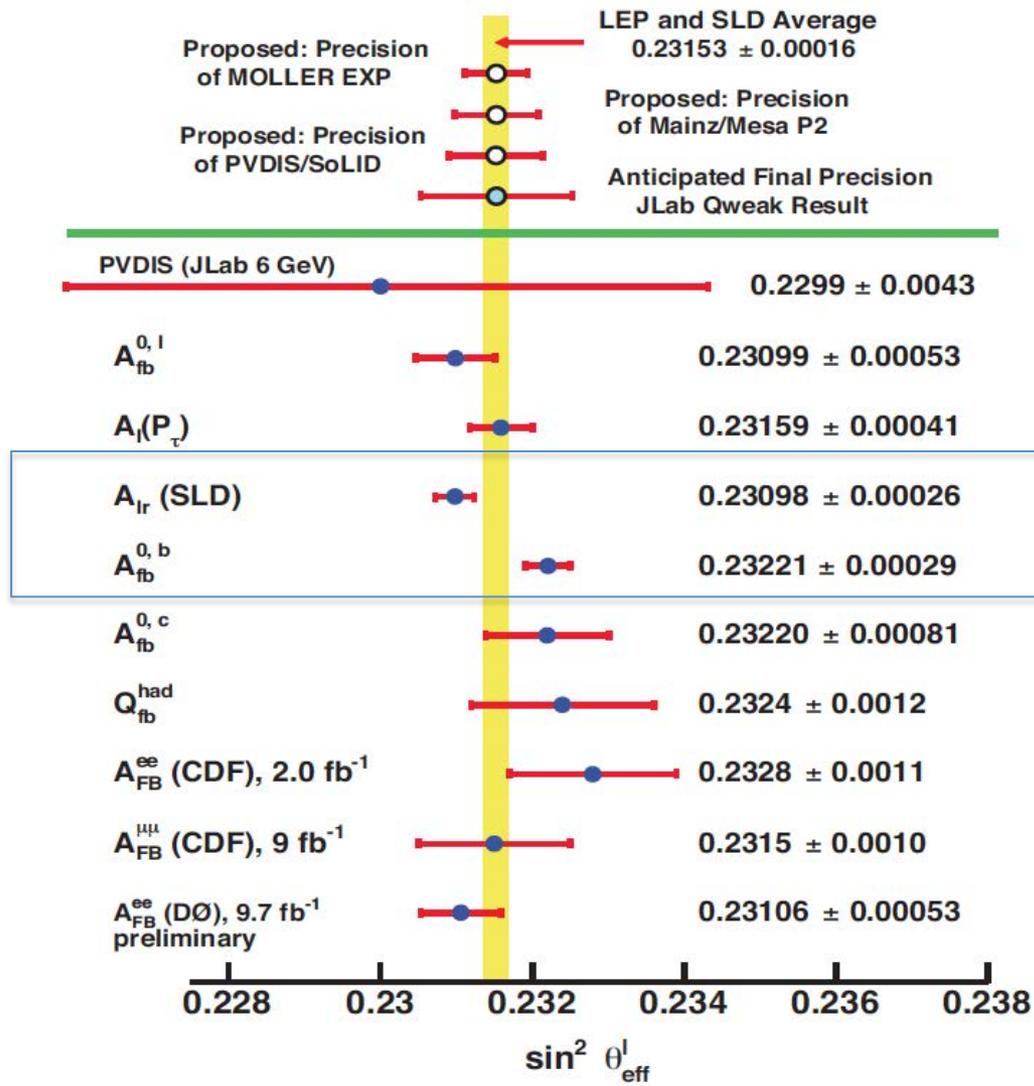
The **relative strength** between the weak and electromagnetic interaction is determined by the **weak mixing angle**:  $\sin^2(\theta_w)$



$\sin^2 \theta_w$ : a **central parameter** of the standard model

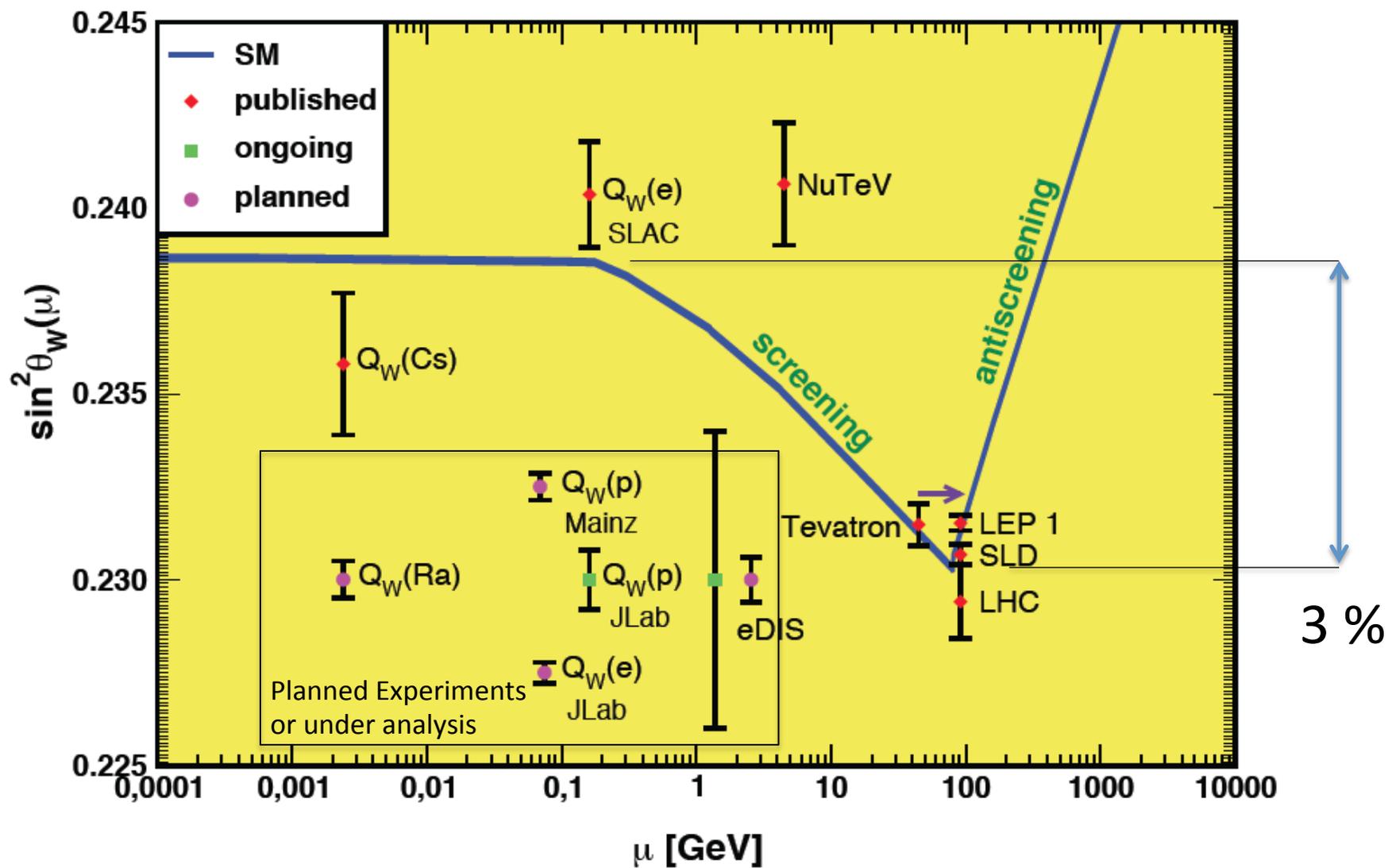


## Summary: Measurements of $\sin^2\theta_{W(\text{effective})}$



“Drell-Yan-Process”



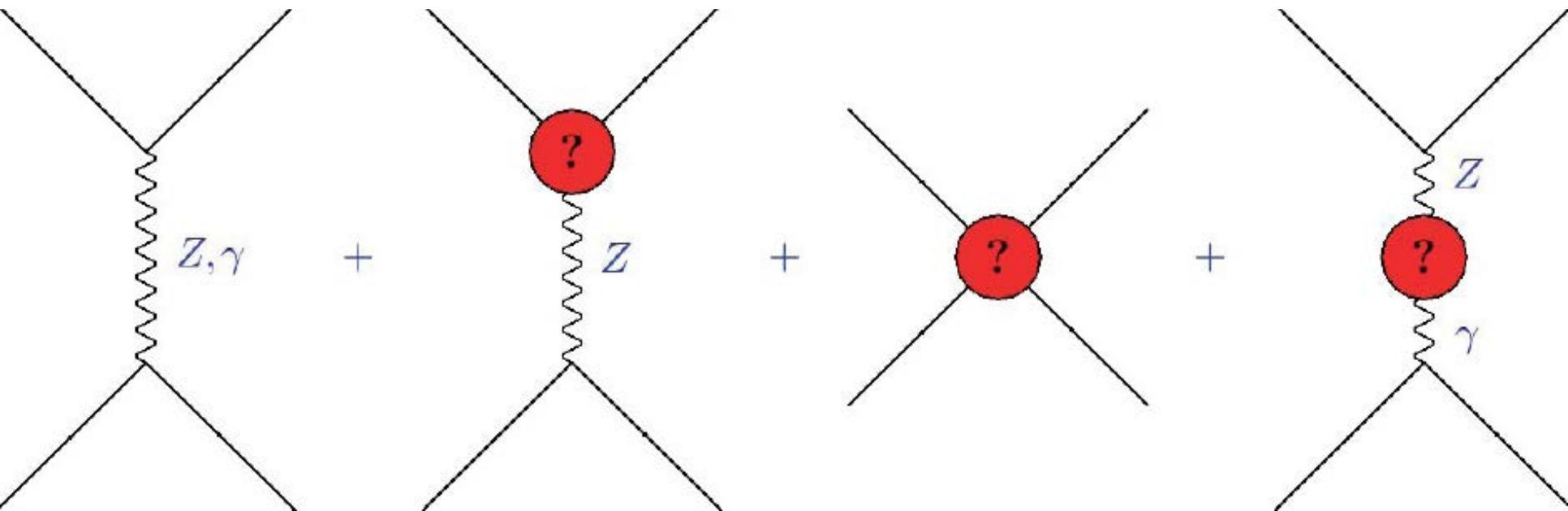




Sensitivity to new physics beyond the Standard Model



## Sensitivity to new physics beyond the Standard Model



Extra Z

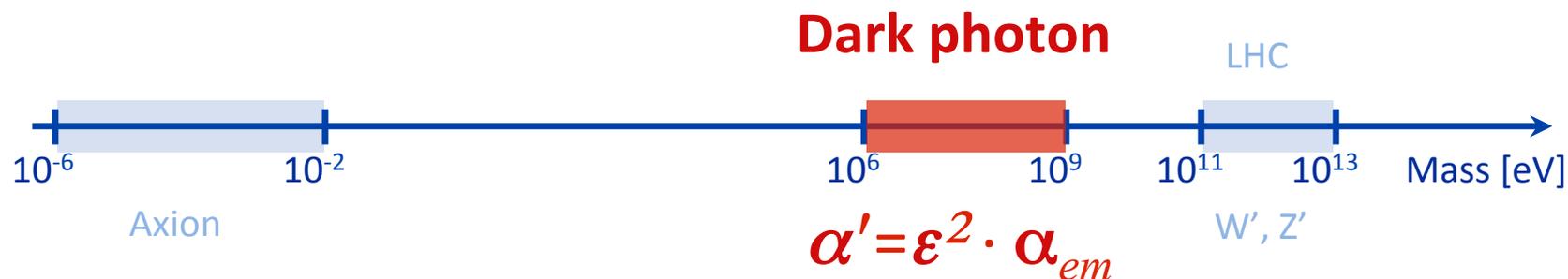
Mixing with  
Dark photon or  
Dark Z

Contact interaction

New  
Fermions



New massive force carrier of extra  $U(1)_d$  gauge group; predicted in almost all string compactifications

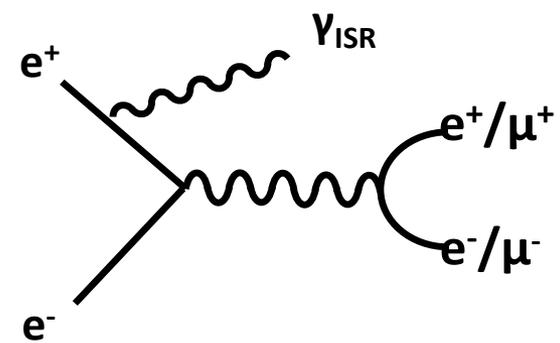
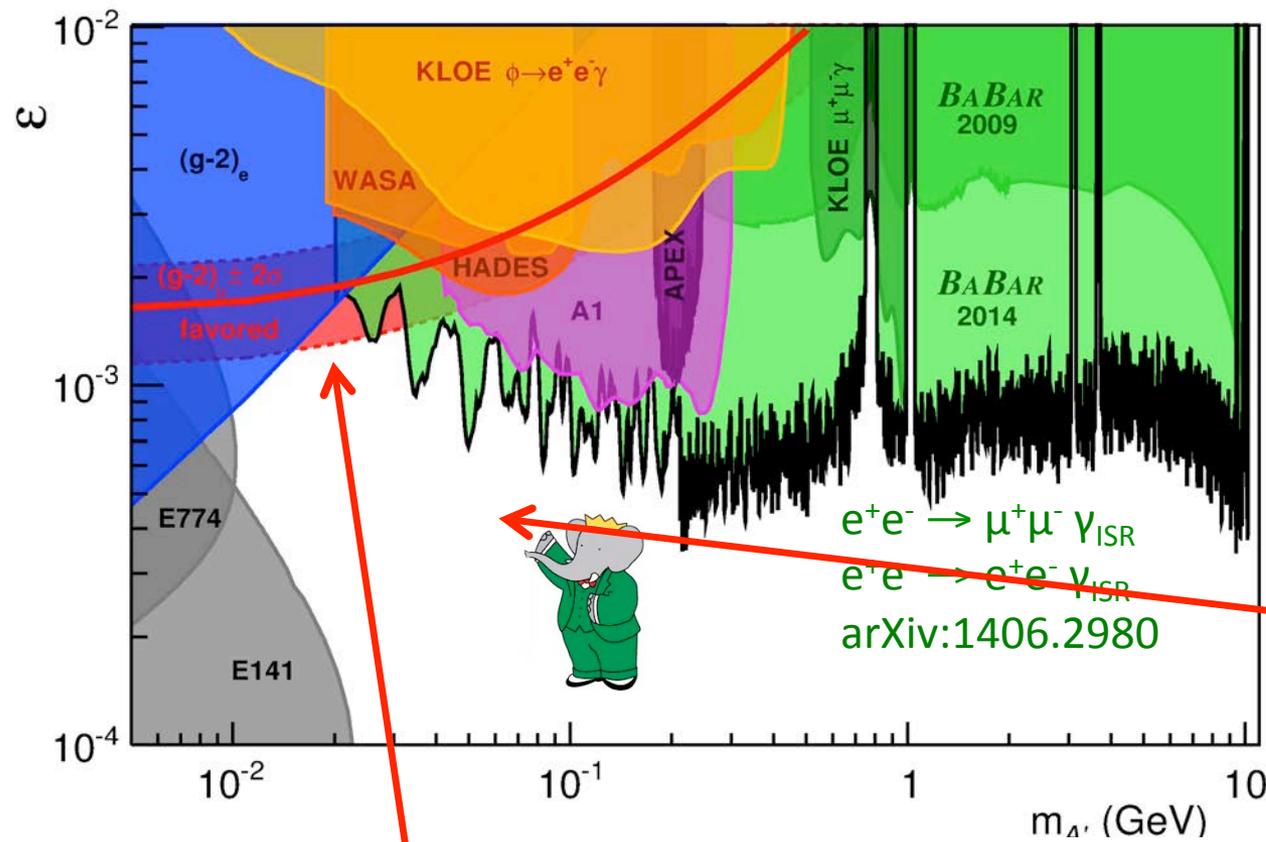


**Search for the  $O(\text{GeV}/c^2)$  mass scale in a world-wide effort**

- Could explain large number of **astrophysical anomalies**  
 Arkani-Hamed et al. (2009)  
 Andreas, Ringwald (2010); Andreas, Niebuhr, Ringwald (2012)
- Could explain presently seen **deviation of  $>3\sigma$**  between  $(g-2)_\mu$   
 Standard Model prediction and direct  $(g-2)_\mu$  measurement  
 Pospelov (2008)



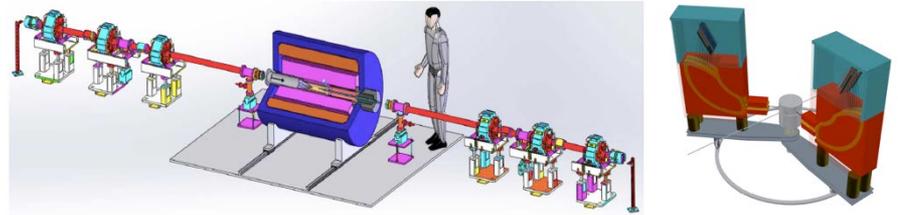
BABAR Dark Photon Search (arXiv:1406.2980)



Analysis of the full data set (10 years)

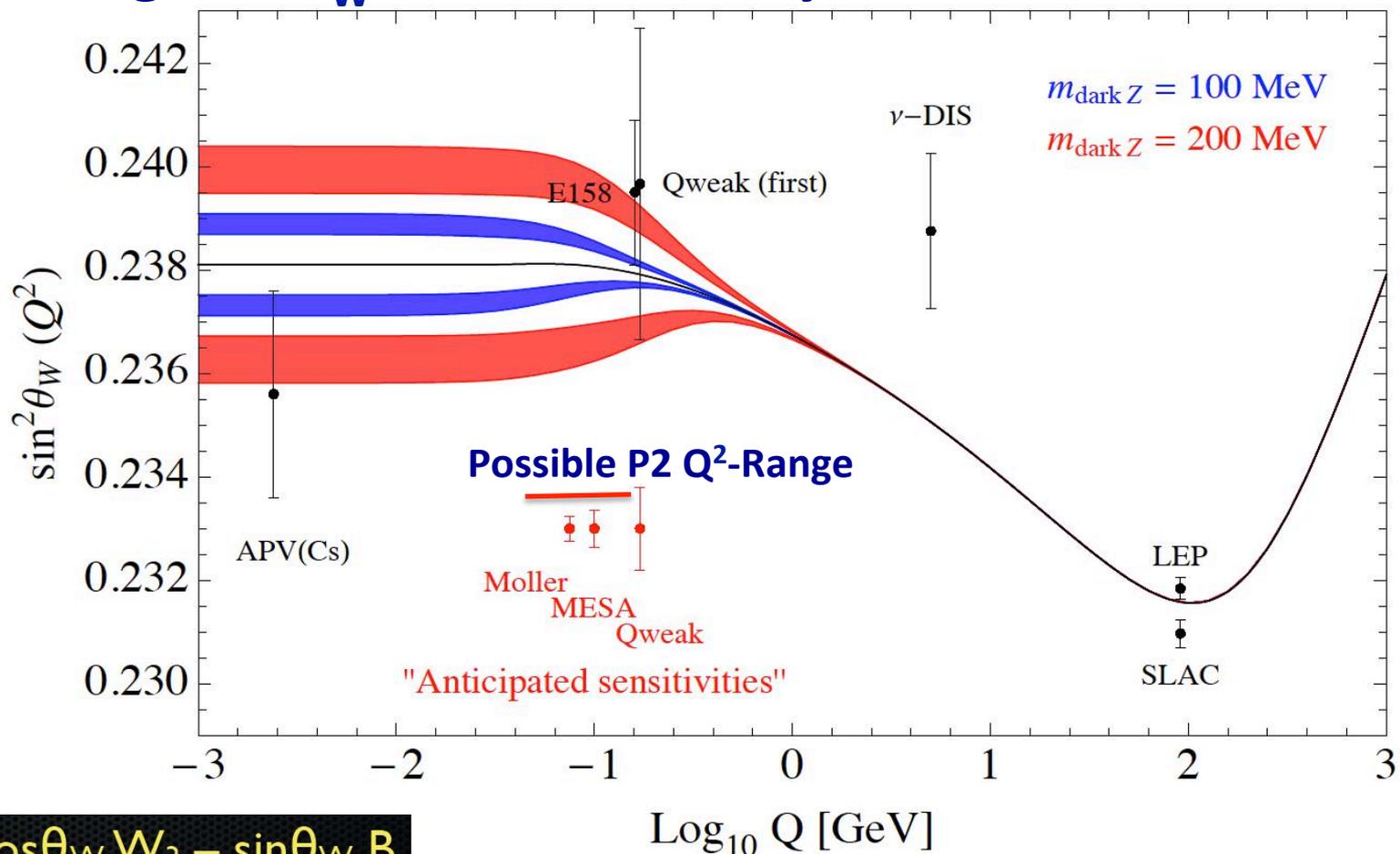
**Entire remaining white region (JLAB APEX, HPS)**  
Interesting in view of dark sector

**Remaining  $(g-2)_\mu$  welcome region!?**  
Dark Light @ JLAB-FEL  
MESA @ Mainz



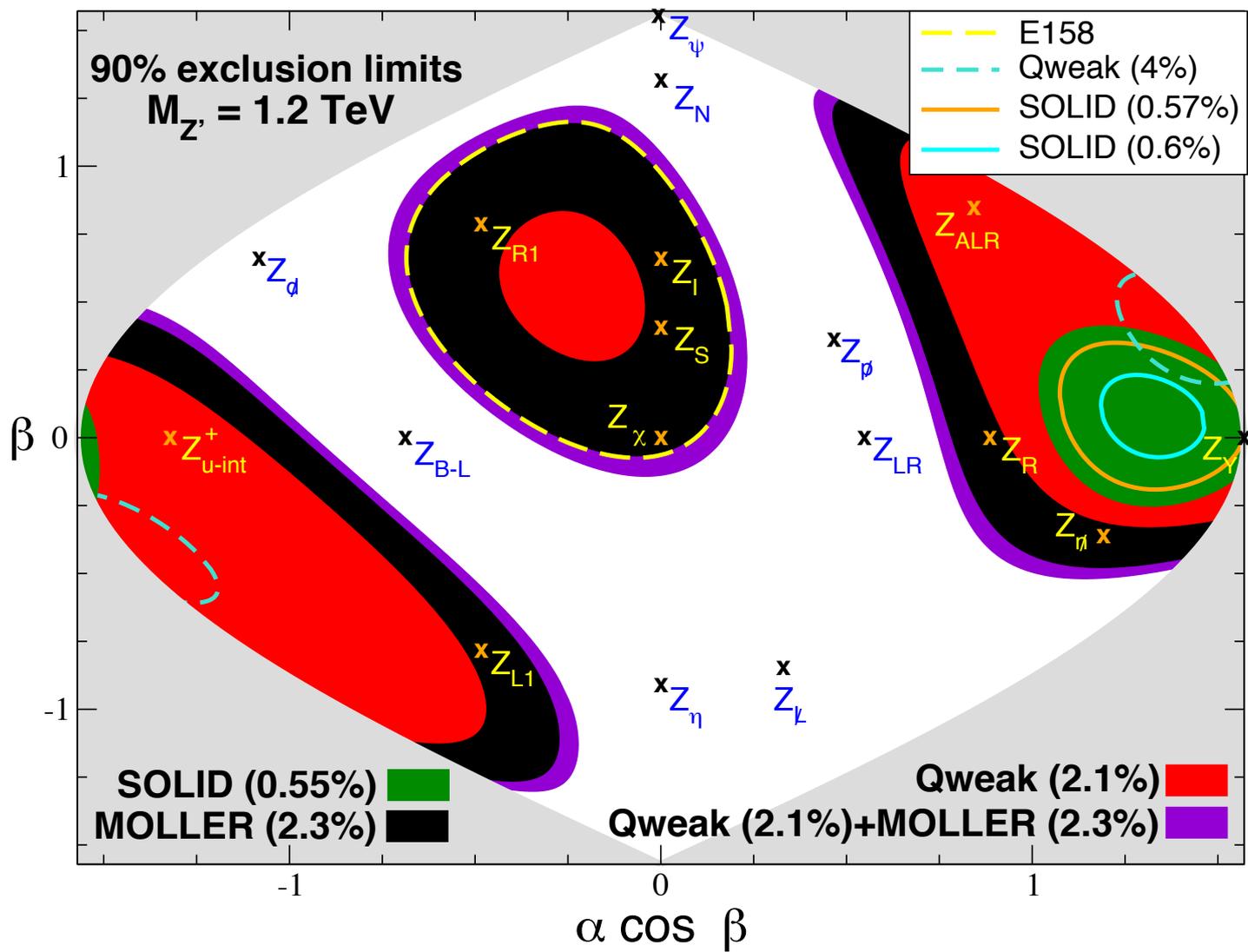


## Running $\sin^2 \theta_W$ and Dark Parity Violation



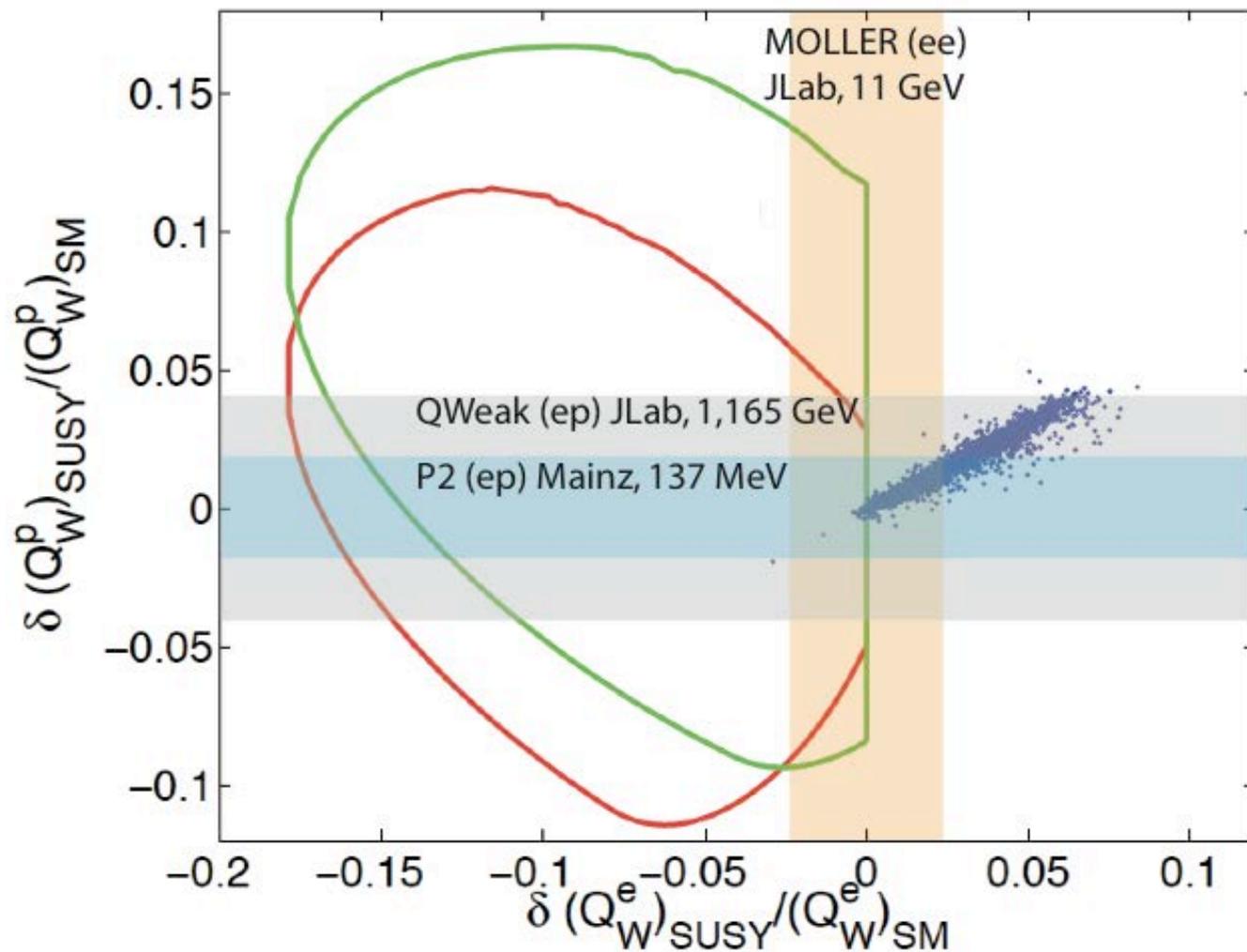
$$Z = \cos \theta_W W_3 - \sin \theta_W B$$

$$A = \sin \theta_W W_3 + \cos \theta_W B$$



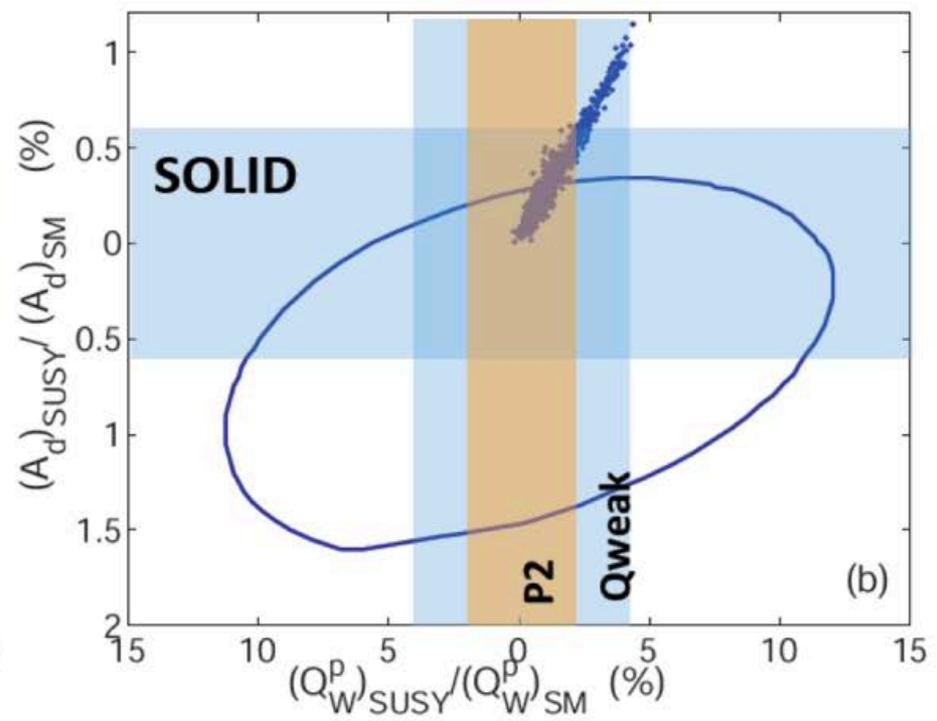
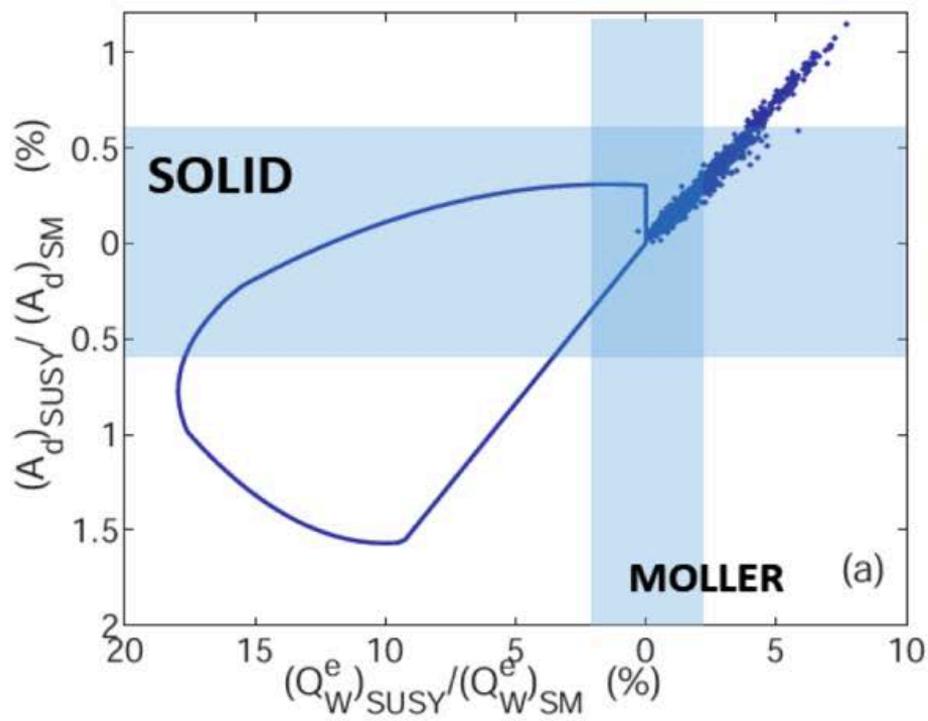


Example: supersymmetric Standard Model extensions





Ramsey-Musolf and Su, *Phys. Rep.* 456 (2008)





- Complementary access by weak charges of proton and electron

Weak charge of the proton:

$$Q_W^p = 0.0716$$

$$\pm 0.0029$$

Experiment

SUSY-Loops

$E_6 Z'$

RPV SUSY

Leptoquarks

SM

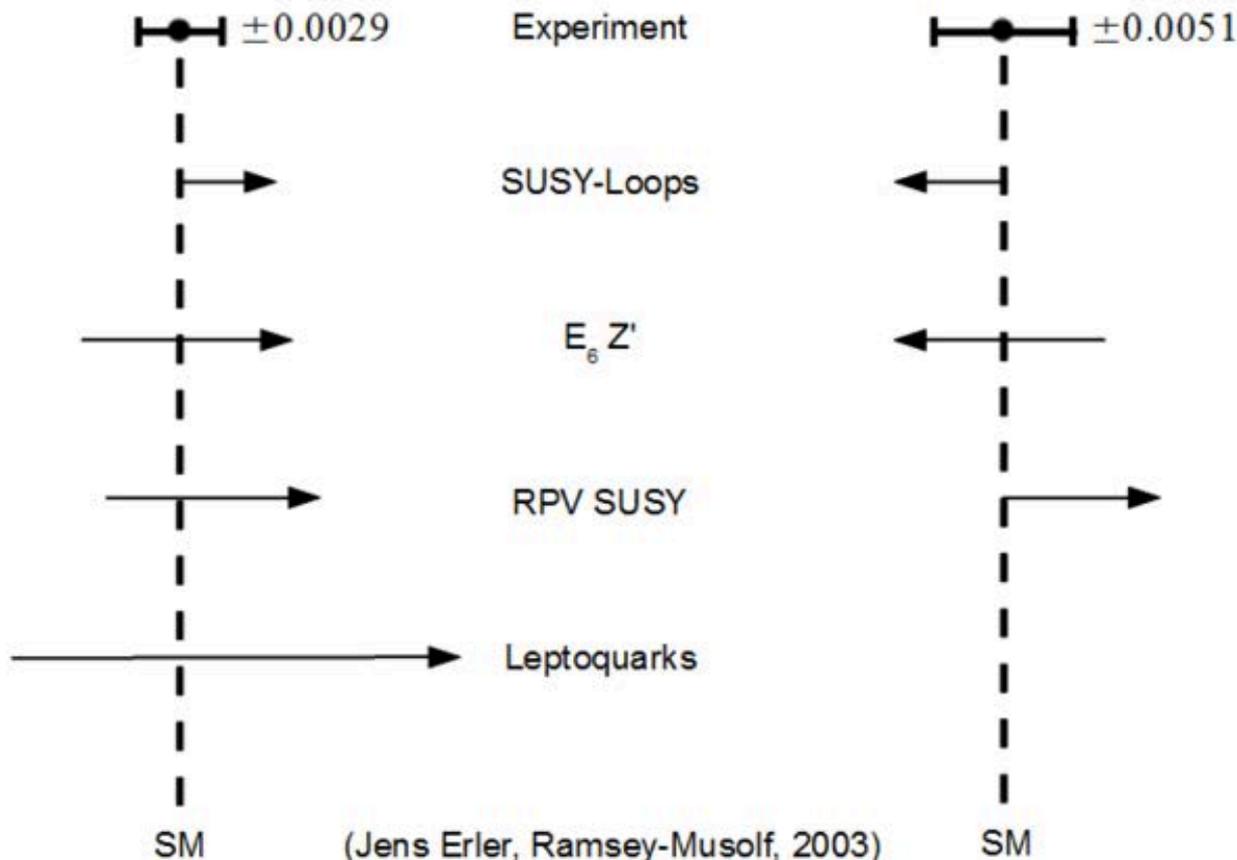
(Jens Erler, Ramsey-Musolf, 2003)

Weak charge of the electron:

$$Q_W^e = -0.0449$$

$$\pm 0.0051$$

SM





Weak  
Charge  
Of  
Proton:  
 **$Q_{\text{weak}}$  (Jlab),**  
P2 (MESA)

Weak  
Charge  
Of  
Electron:  
MOELLER  
(JLAB)

Weak  
Charge  
Of  
Quarks:  
SOLID (PVDIS)  
(JLAB)

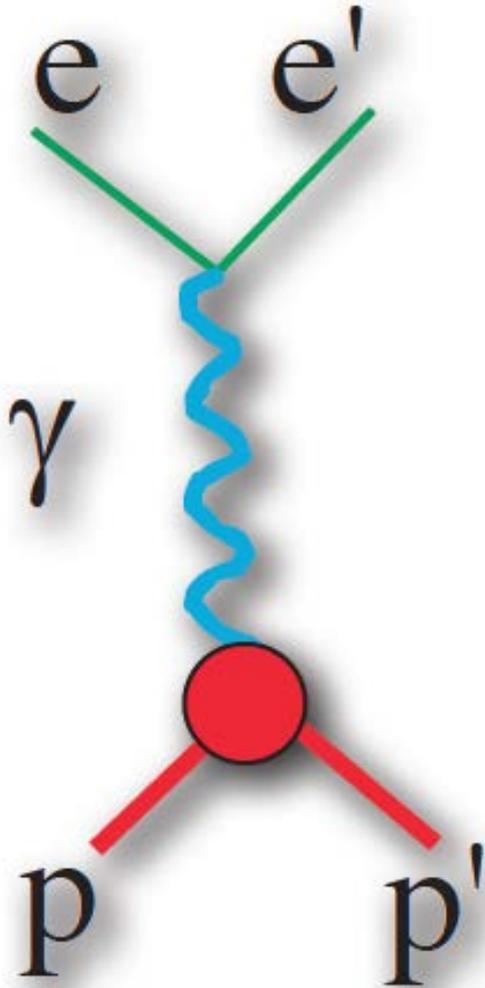


## Physics sensitivity from contact interaction (LEP2 convention, $g^2 = 4\pi$ )

|                      | precision | $\Delta \sin^2 \bar{\theta}_W(0)$ | $\Lambda_{\text{new}}$ (expected) |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| APV Cs               | 0.58 %    | 0.0019                            | 32.3 TeV                          |
| E158                 | 14 %      | 0.0013                            | 17.0 TeV                          |
| Qweak I              | 19 %      | 0.0030                            | 17.0 TeV                          |
| Qweak final          | 4.5 %     | 0.0008                            | 33 TeV                            |
| PVDIS                | 4.5 %     | 0.0050                            | 7.6 TeV                           |
| SoLID                | 0.6 %     | 0.00057                           | 22 TeV                            |
| MOLLER               | 2.3 %     | 0.00026                           | 39 TeV                            |
| P2                   | 2.0 %     | 0.00036                           | 49 TeV                            |
| PVES $^{12}\text{C}$ | 0.3 %     | 0.0007                            | 49 TeV                            |



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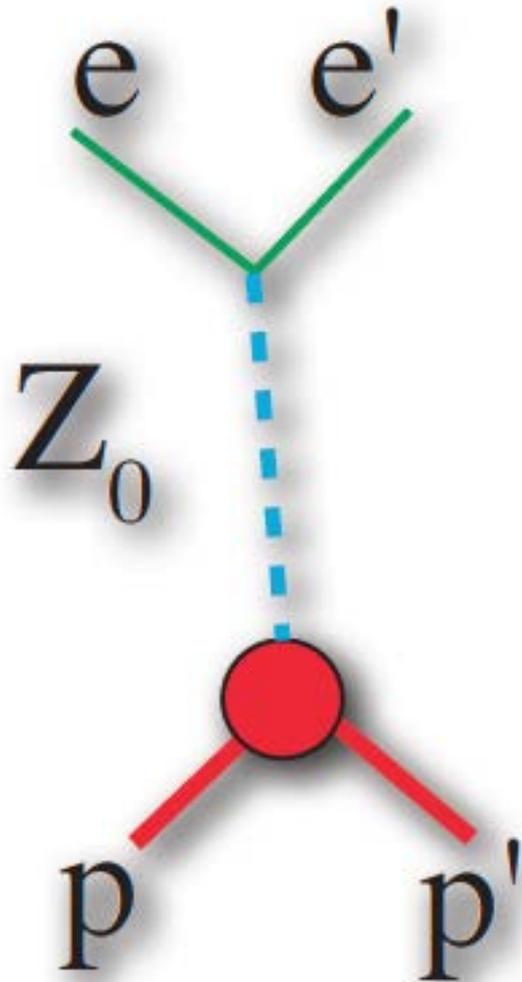
$$\sigma \sim \mathcal{M} \mathcal{M}^* \text{ Phasespace}$$

$$\sim \left( \mathbf{j}_\mu \frac{1}{Q^2} J^\mu \right) \left( \mathbf{j}_\mu \frac{1}{Q^2} J^\mu \right)^*$$

$$\mathbf{j}_\mu \sim \bar{e} \gamma_\mu e \text{ Vector Current}$$

$$J_\gamma^\mu \sim \langle N | q^u \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u + q^d \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d + q^s \bar{s} \gamma_\mu s | N' \rangle$$

$$= \bar{\mathcal{P}} \left[ \gamma^\mu F_1 - i \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu \frac{\kappa_p}{2M_N} F_2 \right] \mathcal{P}$$

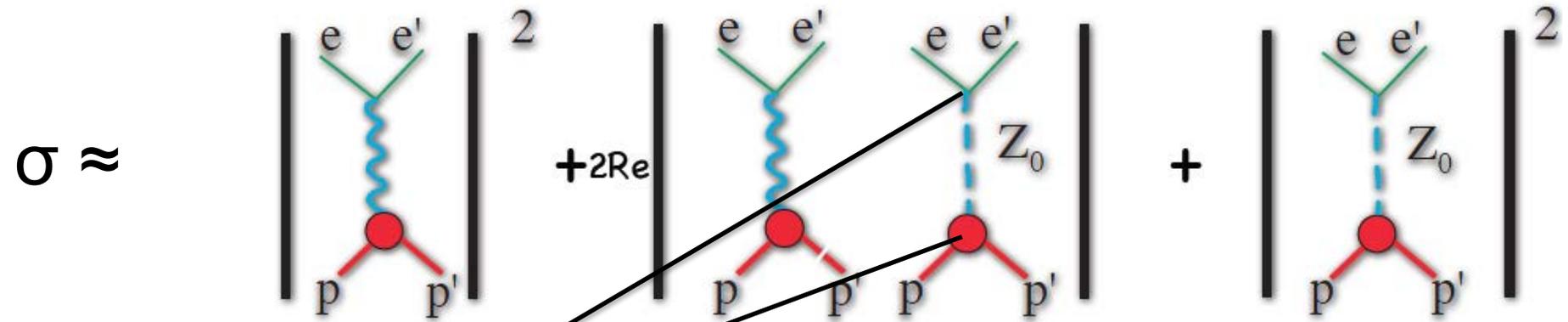


$$\tilde{q}_V^d = \tau_3 - 2q^d \sin^2(\theta_W)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{J}_Z^\mu &\sim \langle N | \tilde{q}^u \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u + \tilde{q}^d \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d + \tilde{q}^s \bar{s} \gamma_\mu s | N' \rangle \\ &= \bar{\mathcal{P}} \left[ \gamma^\mu \tilde{F}_1 - i \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu \frac{\kappa_p}{2M_N} \tilde{F}_2 \right] \mathcal{P} \end{aligned}$$



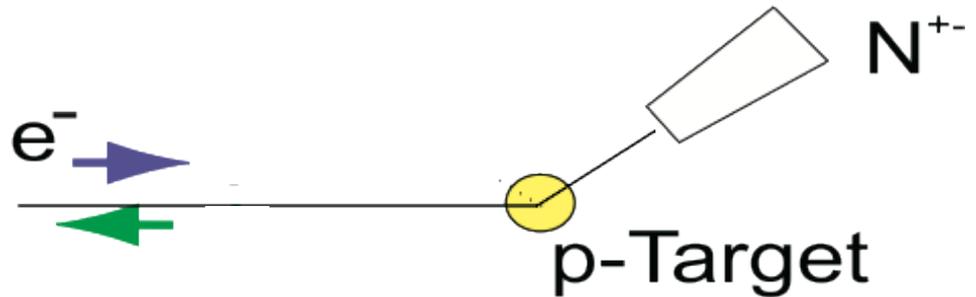
Parity Violating Asymmetry in elastic electron proton scattering



$$(V-A)_e(V-A)_p$$

$$A_e V_p + V_e A_p$$

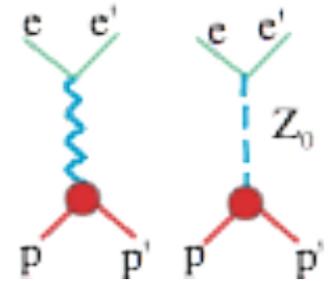
V-A coupling:  
 parity-violating  
 cross section asymmetry  $A_{LR}$   
 longitudinally pol. electrons  
 unpolarised protons





## Parity violating cross section asymmetry

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



$$A_{RL} = \underbrace{A_V + A_A}_{= A_0} + A_S \left\{ \begin{array}{l} A_V = -a \rho'_{eq} \left[ (1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) - \frac{\epsilon G_E^p G_E^n + \tau G_M^p G_M^n}{\epsilon (G_E^p)^2 + \tau (G_M^p)^2} \right] \\ A_A = a \frac{(1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) \sqrt{1 - \epsilon^2} \sqrt{\tau(1 + \tau)} G_M^p \tilde{G}_A^p}{\epsilon (G_E^p)^2 + \tau (G_M^p)^2} \\ A_S = a \rho'_{eq} \frac{\epsilon G_E^p G_E^s + \tau G_M^p G_M^s}{\epsilon (G_E^p)^2 + \tau (G_M^p)^2} \end{array} \right. \quad e$$

$$a = -G_F q^2 / 4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}, \quad \tau = -q^2 / 4M_p^2, \quad \epsilon = [1 + 2(1 + \tau) \tan^2 \theta / 2]^{-1}$$



## Parity violating cross section asymmetry

$$A_{LR} = \frac{\sigma(e \uparrow) - \sigma(e \downarrow)}{\sigma(e \uparrow) + \sigma(e \downarrow)} = -\frac{G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} (Q_W - F(Q^2))$$

weak charge

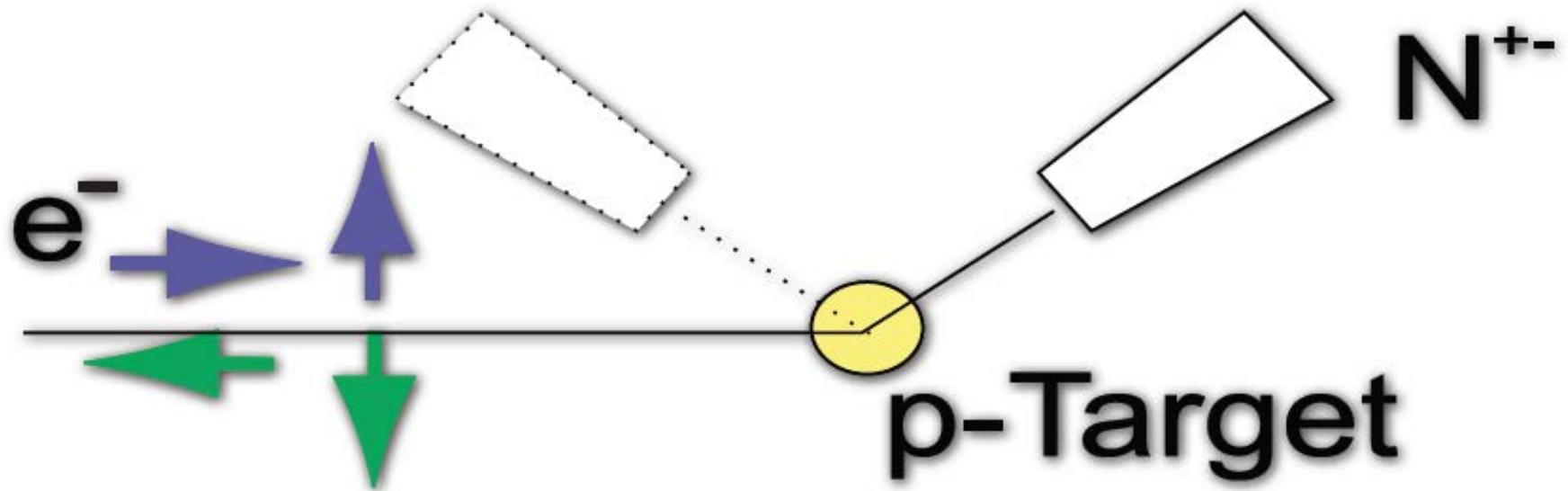
hadron structure

$$Q_W = 1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W(\mu)$$

$$F(Q^2) = F_{EM}(Q^2) + F_{Axial}(Q^2) + F_{Strange}(Q^2)$$



Conceptually very simple experiments



$$A = (N^+ - N^-) / (N^+ + N^-) \quad \Delta A = (N^+ + N^-)^{-1/2} = N^{-1/2}$$

$$A = 20 \times 10^{-9} \quad 2\% \text{ Measurement} \quad N = 6.25 \times 10^{18} \text{ events}$$

Highest rate, measure  $Q^2$ : **Large Solid Angle Spectrometers**

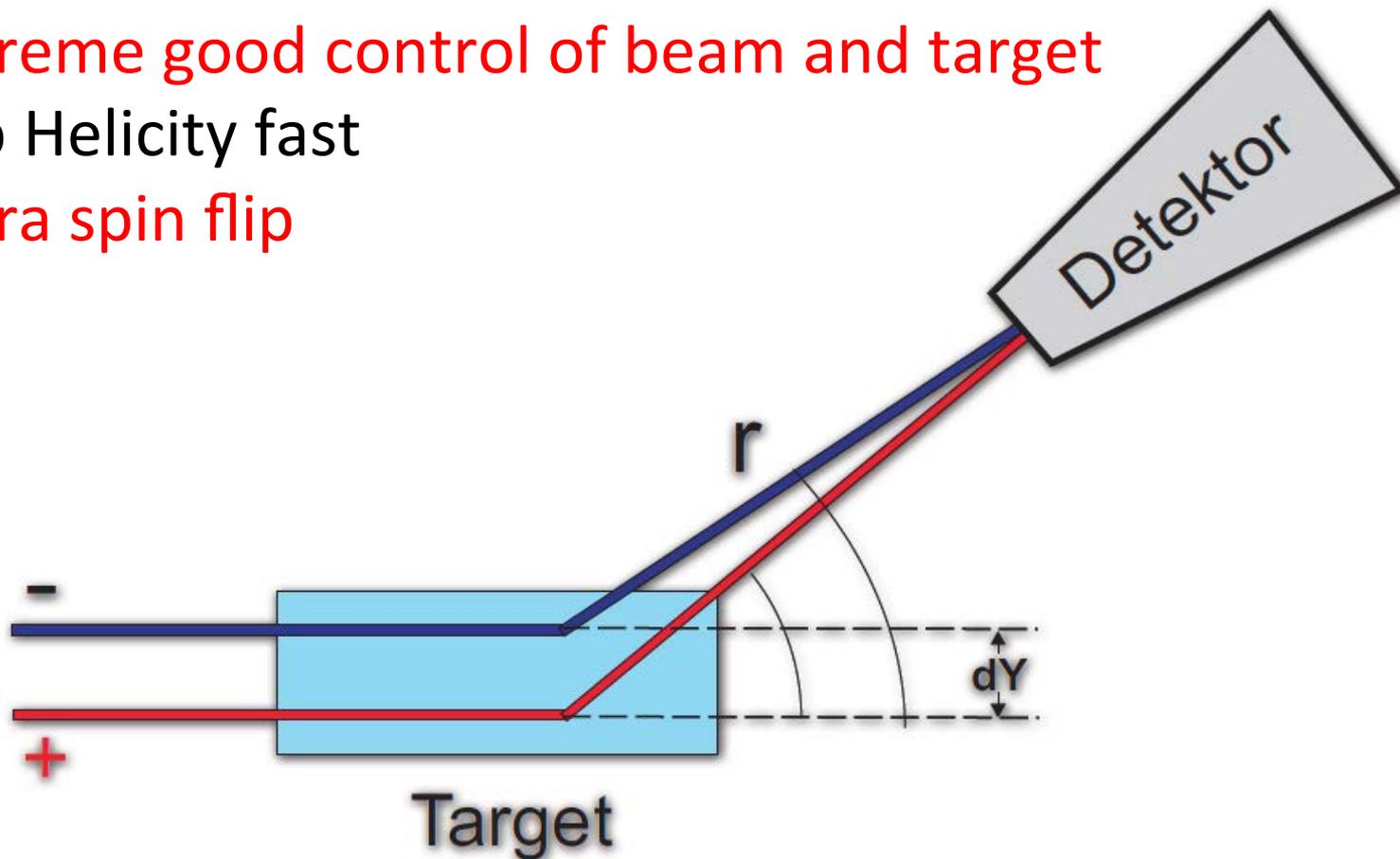


Apparative (false) asymmetries:

Extreme good control of beam and target

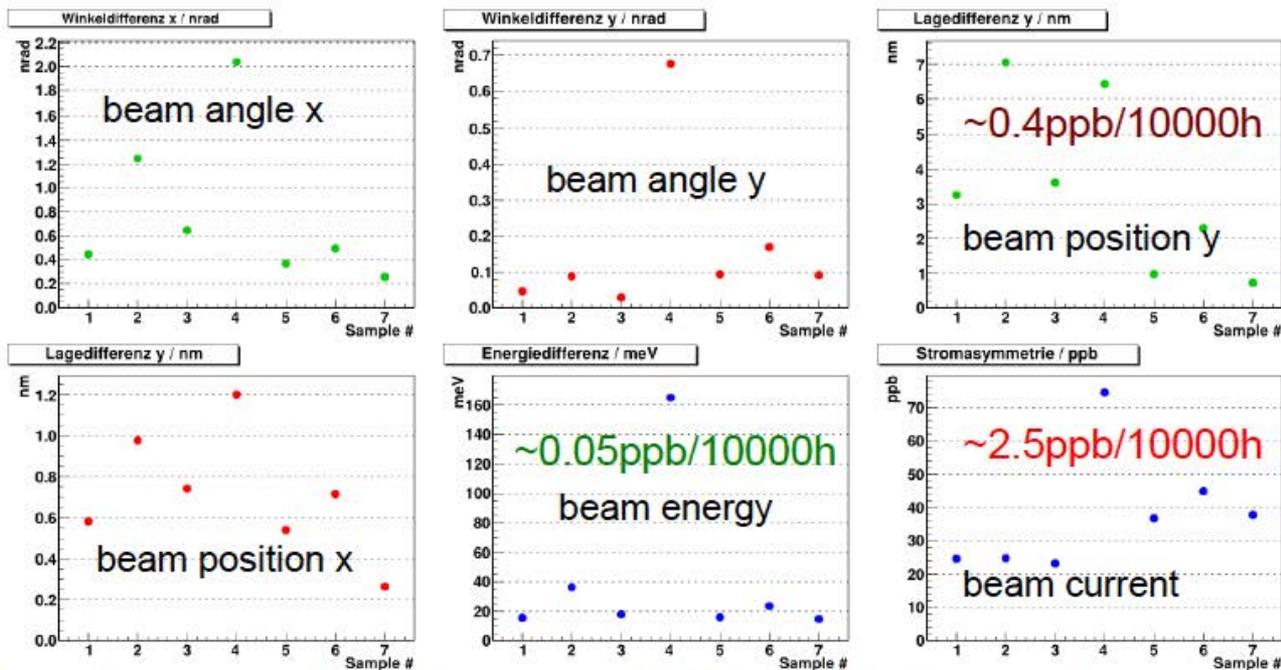
Flip Helicity fast

Extra spin flip



- >10 years of experience of beam delivery to a parity violation experiment

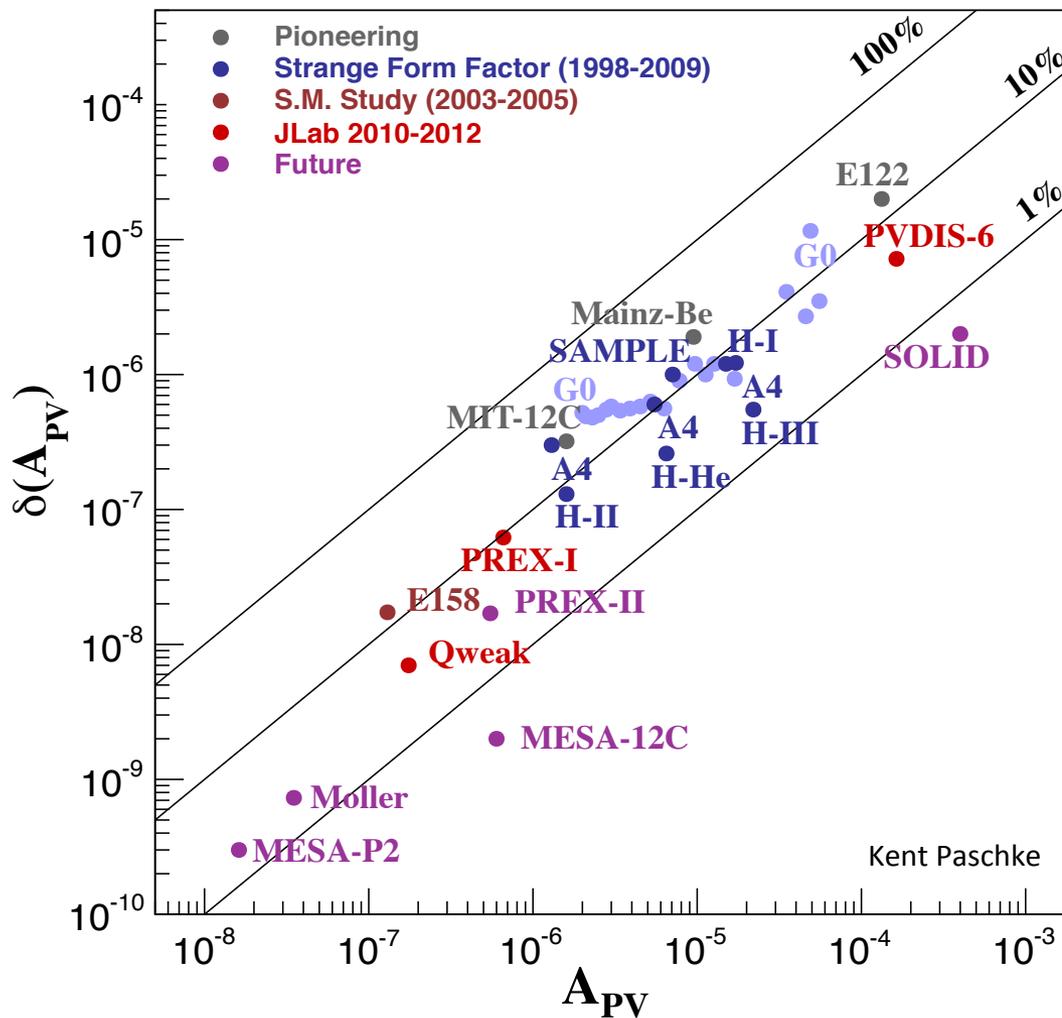
Systematics of A4 @210MeV, extrapolated to 10000h of data taking:



Need to improve by factors of 10 ~ 100, in total *max. 0.1ppb!*  
dedicated simulations for P2 in preparation

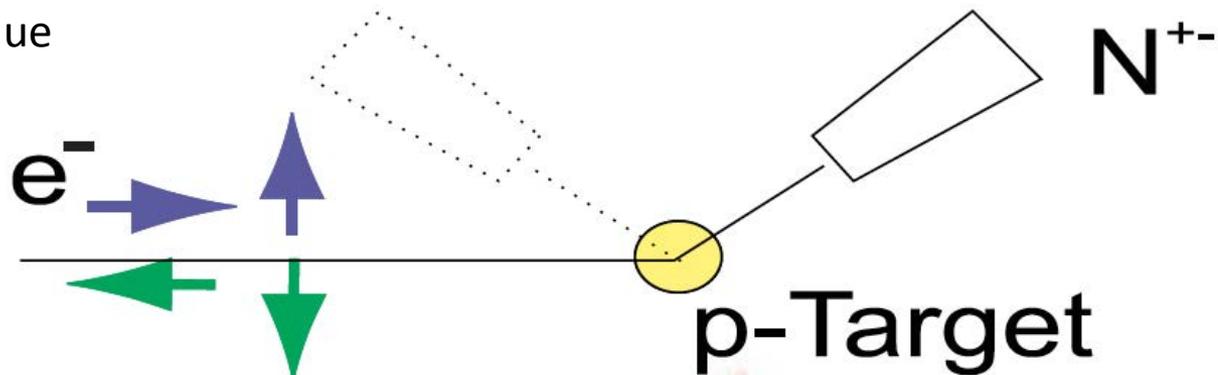


# PVeS Experiment Summary





## Counting Technique

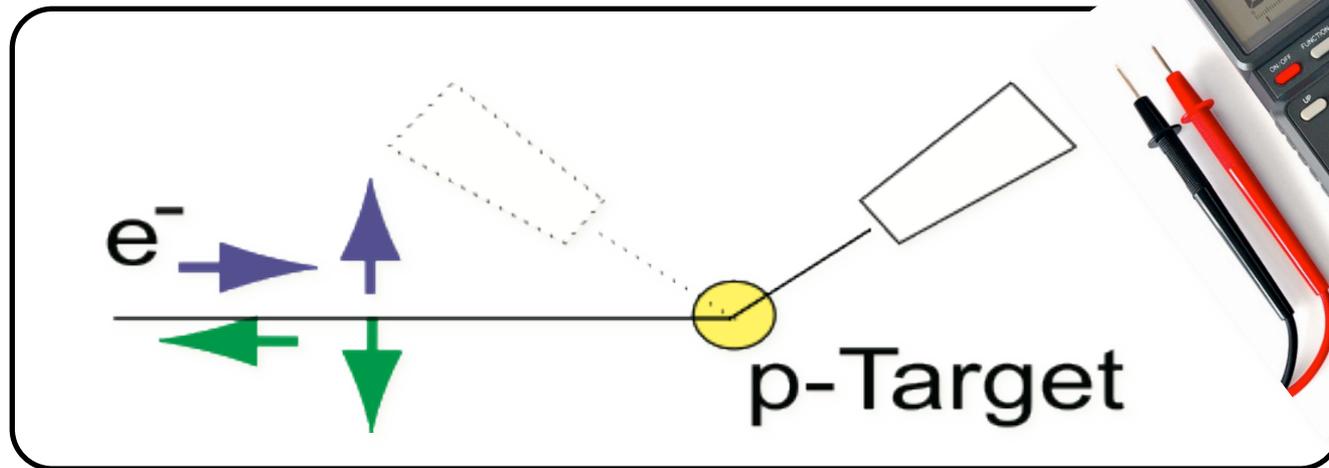


Count scattered electrons:

- pile-up (double count losses)
- Background Asymmetry
- Very Fast Counting (MHz)
- Measure TOF or Energy



## Analogue Technique

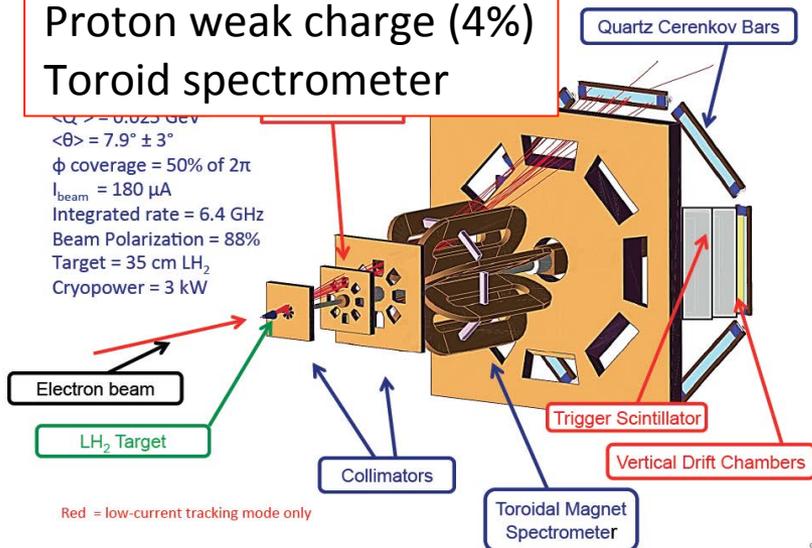


Measure Flux of Scattered electrons:

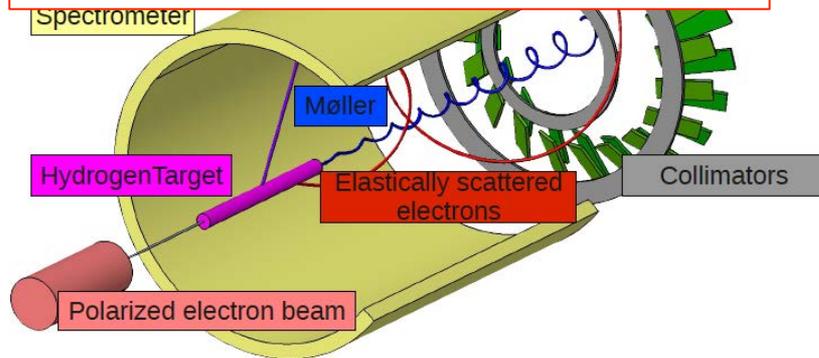
- no pile-up (double count losses)
- sensitive to small electr. fields.
- no separation of phys. process



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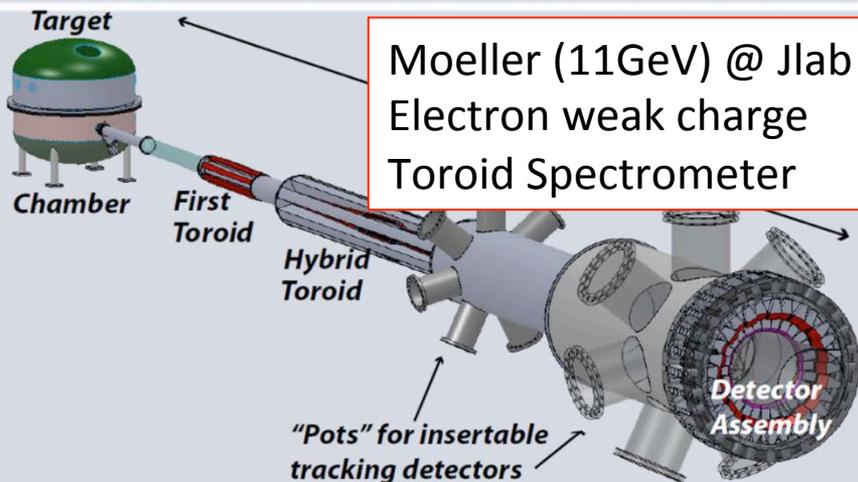
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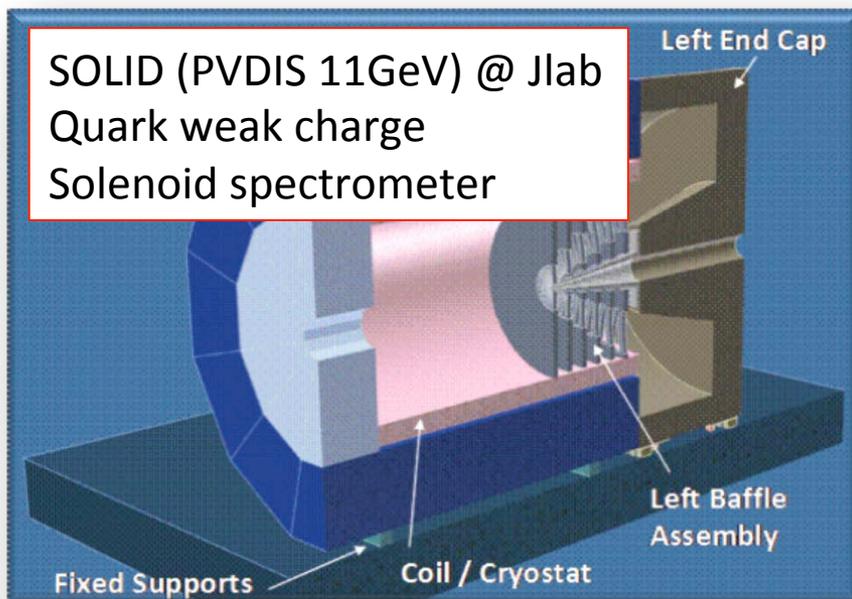
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# Qweak Apparatus

## Parameters:

$$E_{\text{beam}} = 1.165 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\langle Q^2 \rangle = 0.025 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$\langle \theta \rangle = 7.9^\circ \pm 3^\circ$$

$$\phi \text{ coverage} = 50\% \text{ of } 2\pi$$

$$I_{\text{beam}} = 180 \mu\text{A}$$

$$\text{Integrated rate} = 6.4 \text{ GHz}$$

$$\text{Beam Polarization} = 88\%$$

$$\text{Target} = 35 \text{ cm LH}_2$$

$$\text{Cryopower} = 3 \text{ kW}$$

Horizontal  
Drift Chambers

Quartz Cerenkov Bars

Electron beam

LH<sub>2</sub> Target

Collimators

Trigger Scintillator

Vertical Drift Chambers

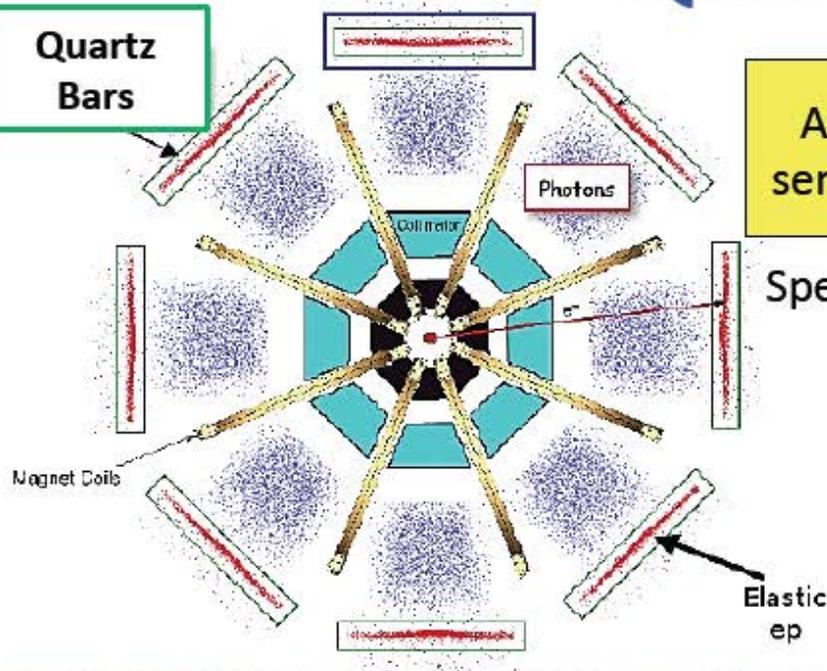
Toroidal Magnet  
Spectrometer

Red = low-current tracking mode only

# Apparatus (before all shielding)



# Quartz Cerenkov Detectors

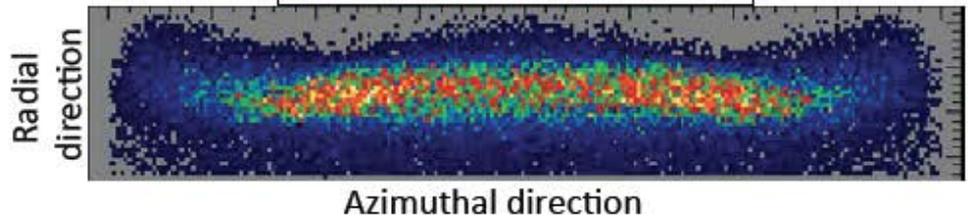


Azimuthal symmetry maximizes rate and decreases sensitivity to HC beam motion, transverse asymmetry.

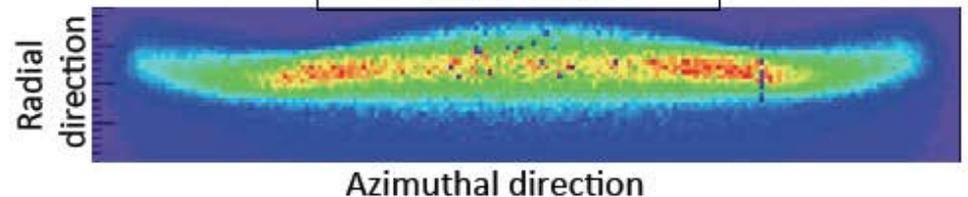
Spectrosil 2000: Eight bars, each 2 m long, 1.25 cm thick

- Rad-hard
- Non-scintillating, low-luminescence

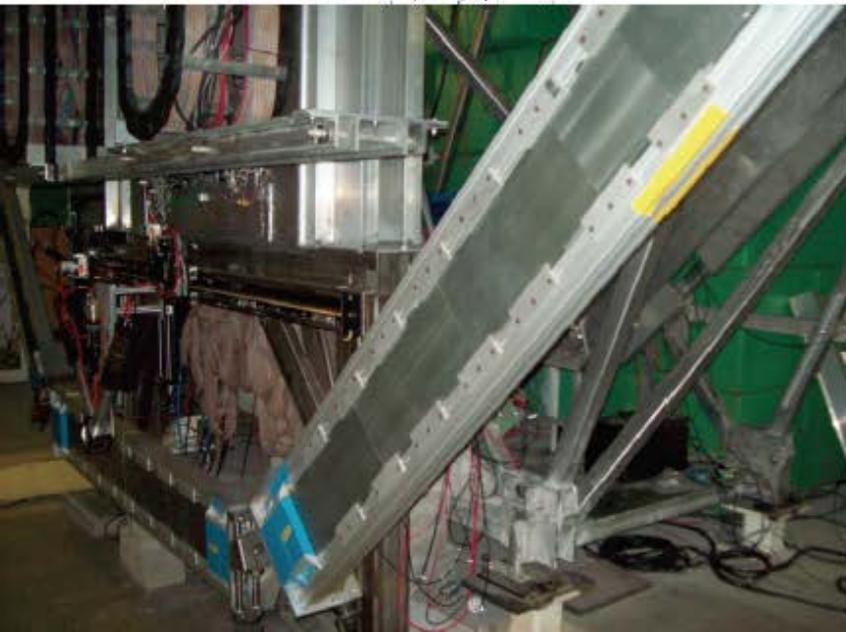
Simulation of MD face:

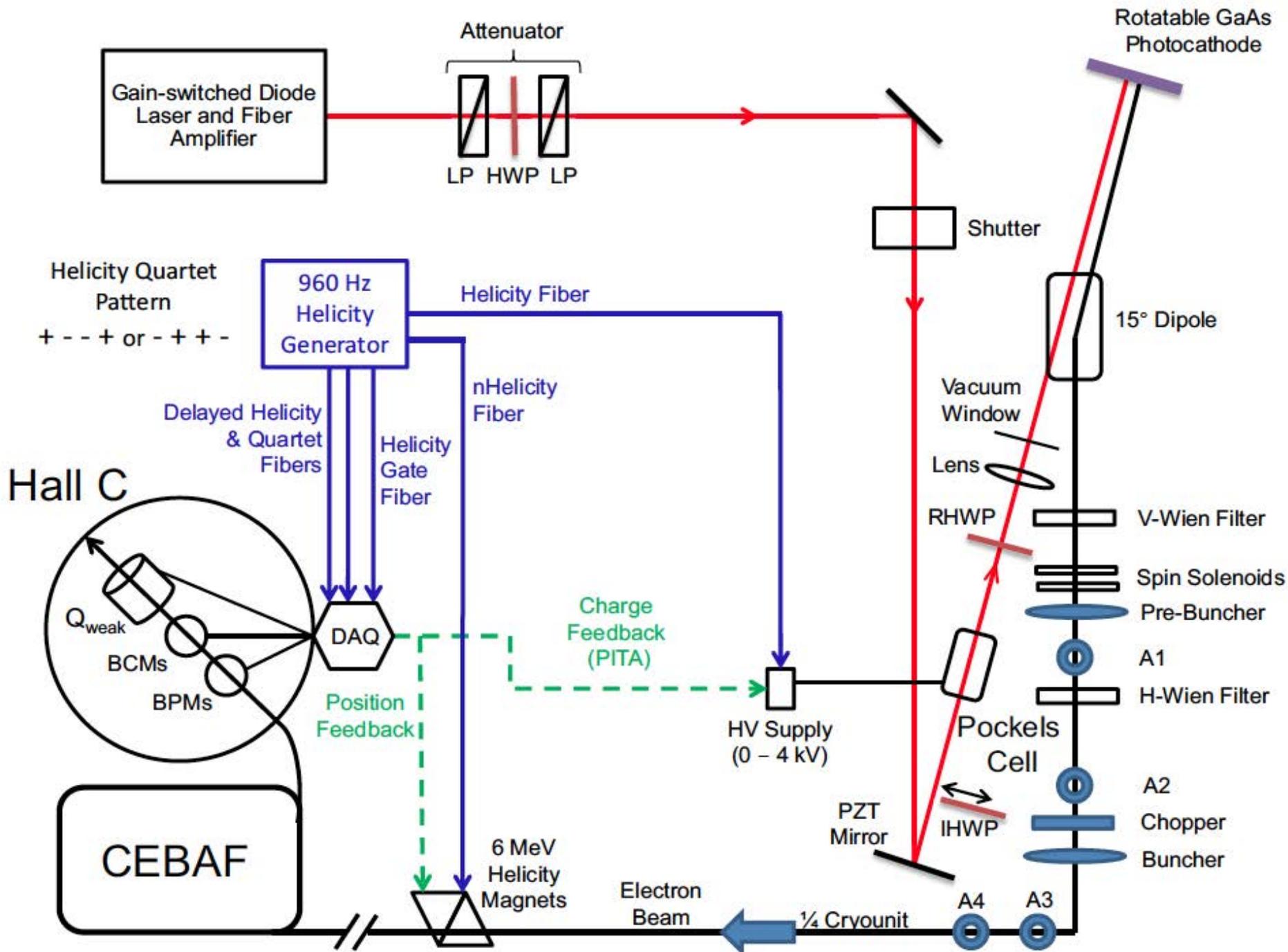


Measured



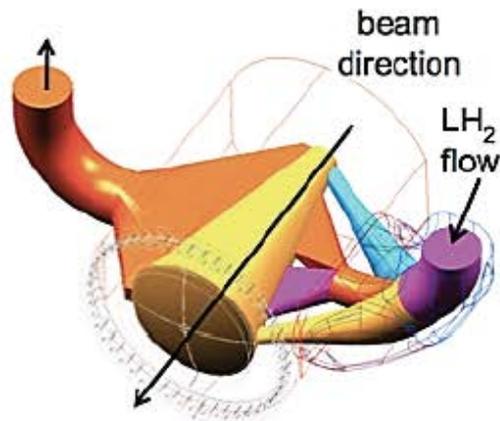
Yield 100 pe's/track with 2cm Pb pre-radiators  
Resolution limited by shower fluctuations.



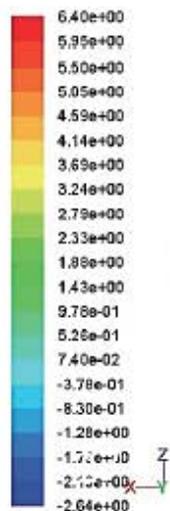


# LH<sub>2</sub> Target Design

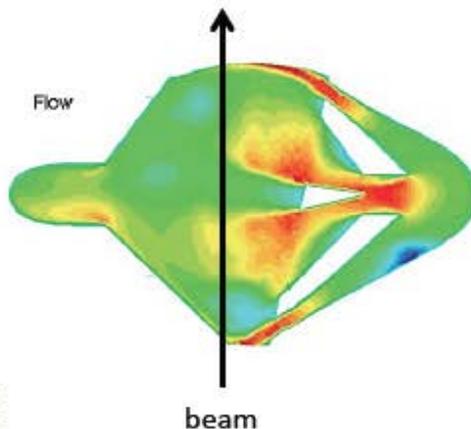
- World's highest power cryogenic target ~3 kW
- Designed with computational fluid dynamics (CFD) to reduce density fluctuations



$I_{\text{Beam}} = 180 \mu\text{A}$   
 $L = 35 \text{ cm (4\% } X_0)$   
 $P_{\text{beam}} = 2.2 \text{ kW}$   
 $A_{\text{spot}} = 4 \times 4 \text{ mm}^2$   
 $V = 57 \text{ liters}$   
 $T = 20.00 \text{ K}$   
 $P \sim 220 \text{ kPa}$



Fluid velocity



ANSYS

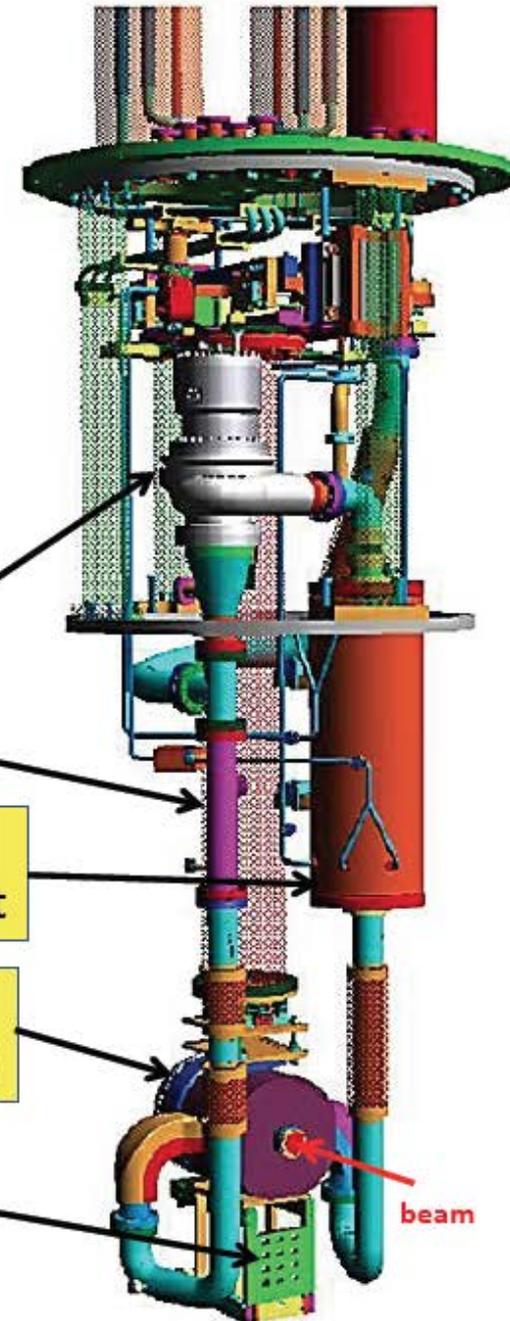
Centrifugal pump  
(15 l/s, 7.6 kPa)

3 kW Heater

3 kW HX utilizing  
4K & 14K He coolant

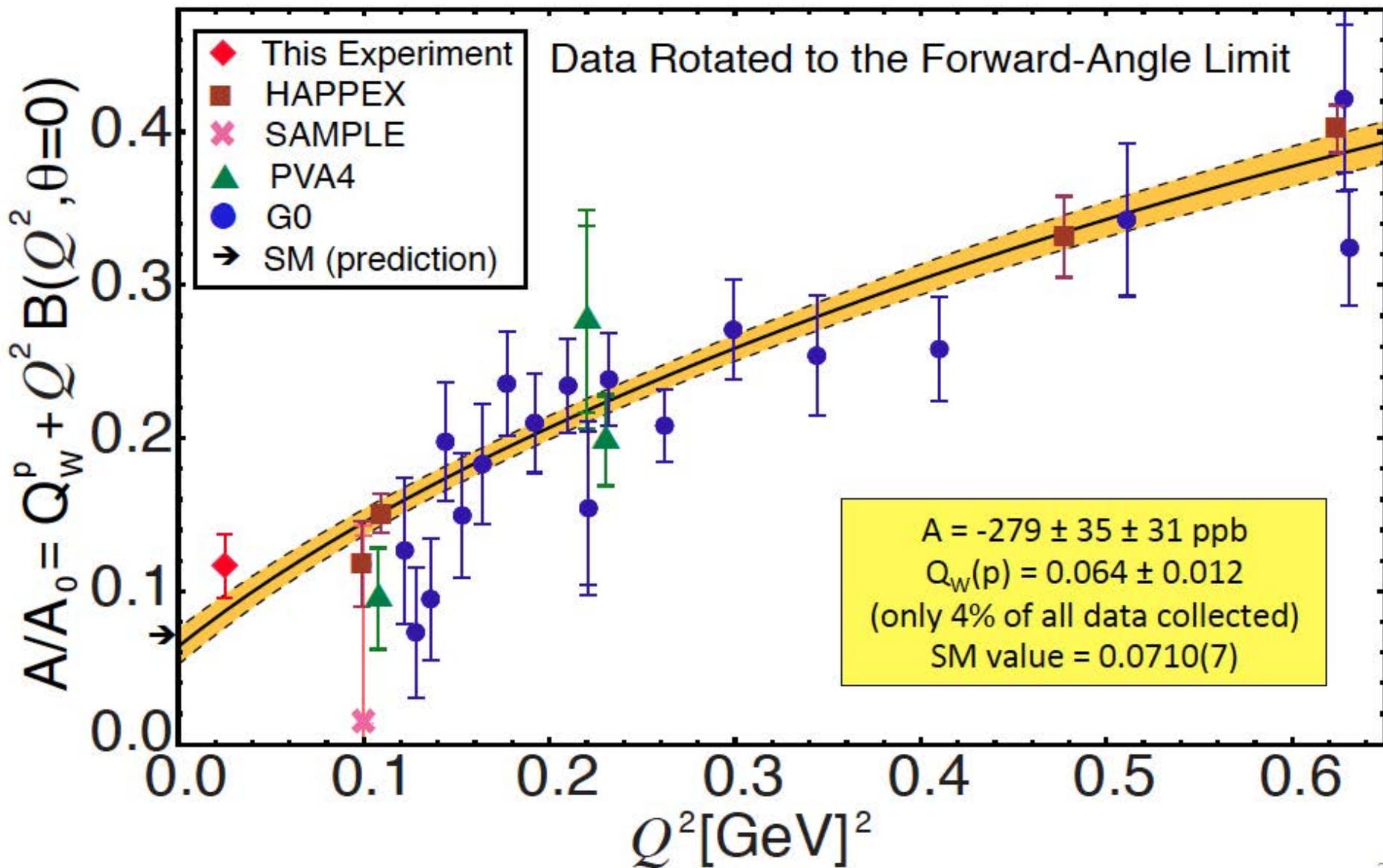
35 cm cell (beam  
interaction volume)

Solid Tgts



beam

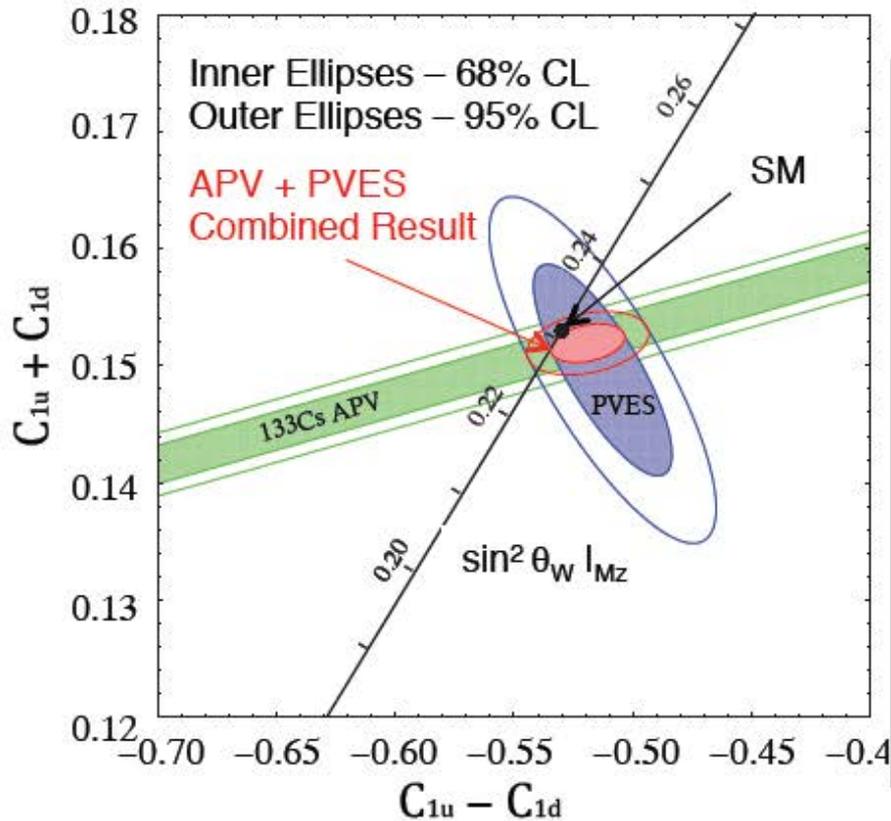
# Global Fit of $Q^2 < 0.63$ (GeV/c) $^2$ PVES Data



# Qweak Commissioning Run - PRL 111,141803 (2013)

## Combined Analysis

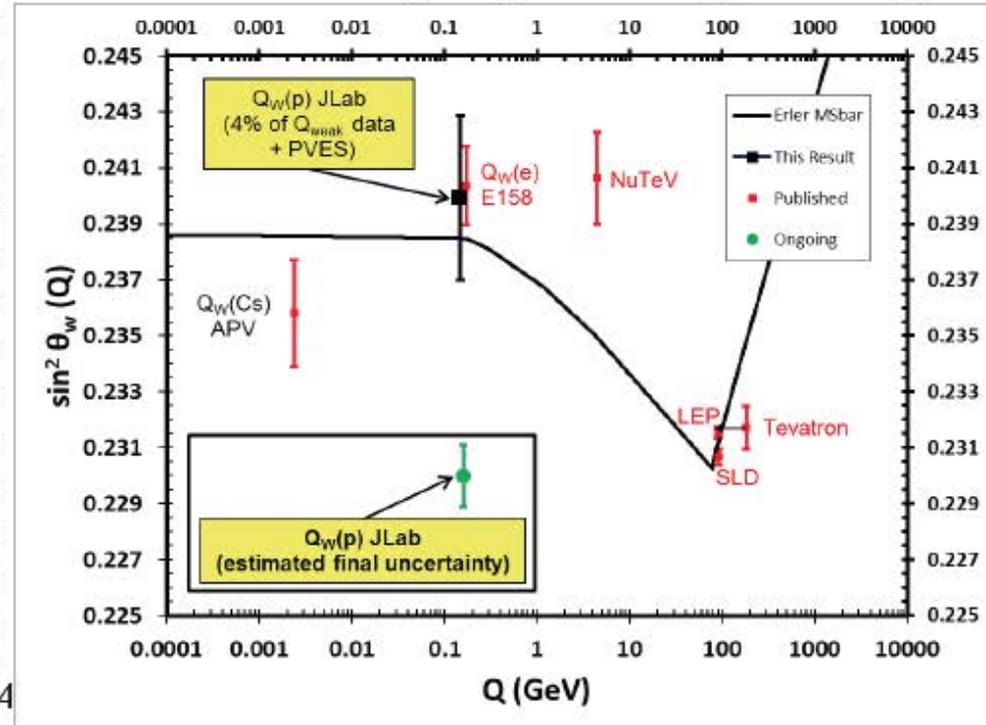
Extract:  $C_{1u}$ ,  $C_{1d}$ ,  $Q_W^n$



## Qweak + Higher $Q^2$ PVES

Extract:  $Q_W^p$ ,  $\sin^2 \theta_W$

### Weak Mixing Angle: Running of $\sin^2 \theta_W$



$$Q_W^n = -2 (C_{1u} + 2 C_{1d}) = -0.975 \pm 0.010$$

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

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

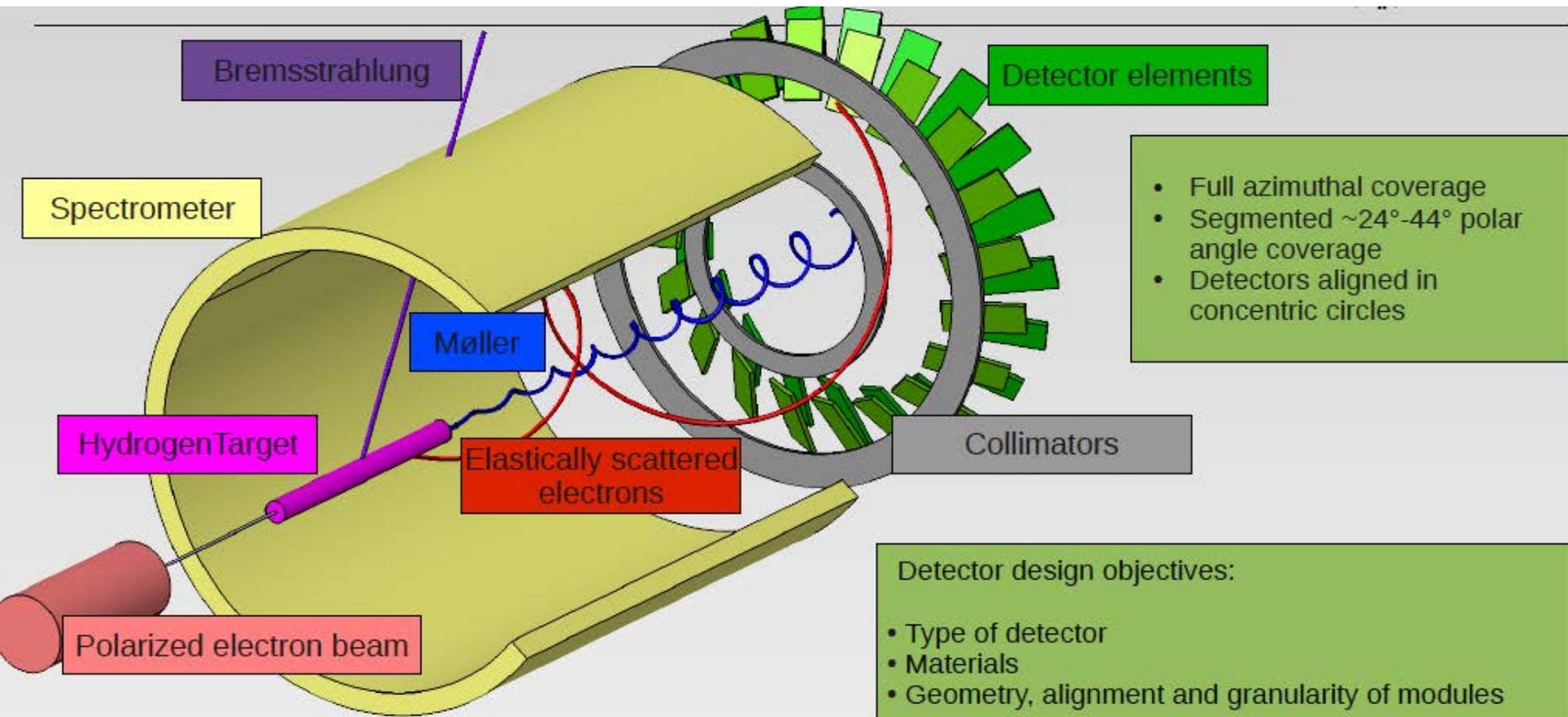
$$Q_W^p = -2 (2 C_{1u} + C_{1d}) = 0.064 \pm 0.012$$

SM prediction = 0.0710(7)

25x more production data still being analyzed, final result 2015

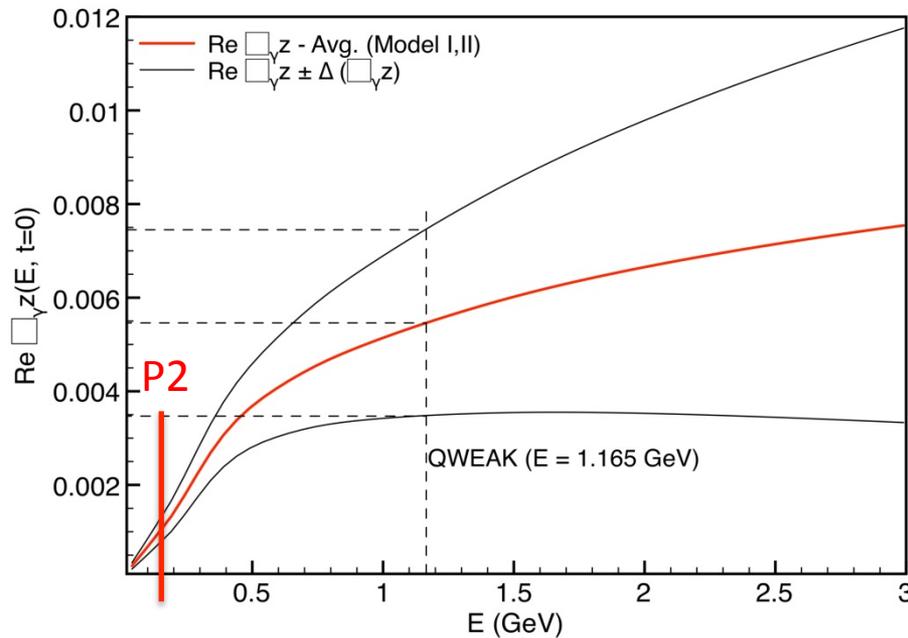


P2 Experiment at the new MESA accelerator in Mainz (low beam energy, very high precision)



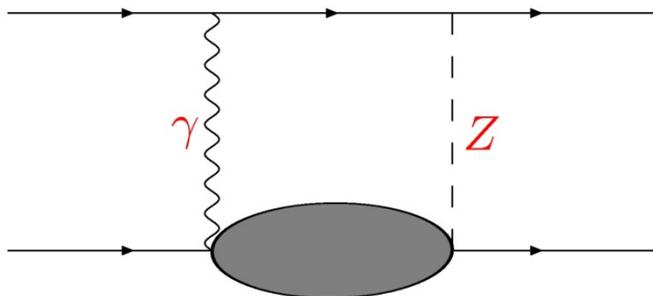


➤  $\gamma Z$  box graph contributions obtained by modelling hadronic effects:



[Gorchstein, Horowitz & Ramsey-Musolf 2011]

- Hadronic uncertainties suppressed at lower energies
- Low beam energy experiment:  
**P2 @ MESA**



Progress in Theory

- Theory uncertainties in box diagrams
- 2 loop corrections
- Hadronic contributions in loops
- Auxiliary measurements
- PV-asymmetry in Carbon



## General Experiment Kinematics

### Comparison: P2 with and without back angle measurement

#### Without back angle measurement

| E/MeV | $\theta/\text{deg}$ | $\Delta\theta/\text{deg}$ | $\Delta\sin^2(\theta_w)/10^{-4}$ | $\Delta\sin^2(\theta_w)/\sin^2(\theta_w)$ |
|-------|---------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| 240   | 17                  | 18                        | 3.57                             | 0.15 %                                    |
| 200   | 20                  | 20                        | 3.60                             | 0.15 %                                    |
| 150   | 24                  | 20                        | 3.97                             | 0.17 %                                    |
| 130   | 25                  | 20                        | 4.33                             | 0.18 %                                    |

#### With back angle measurement

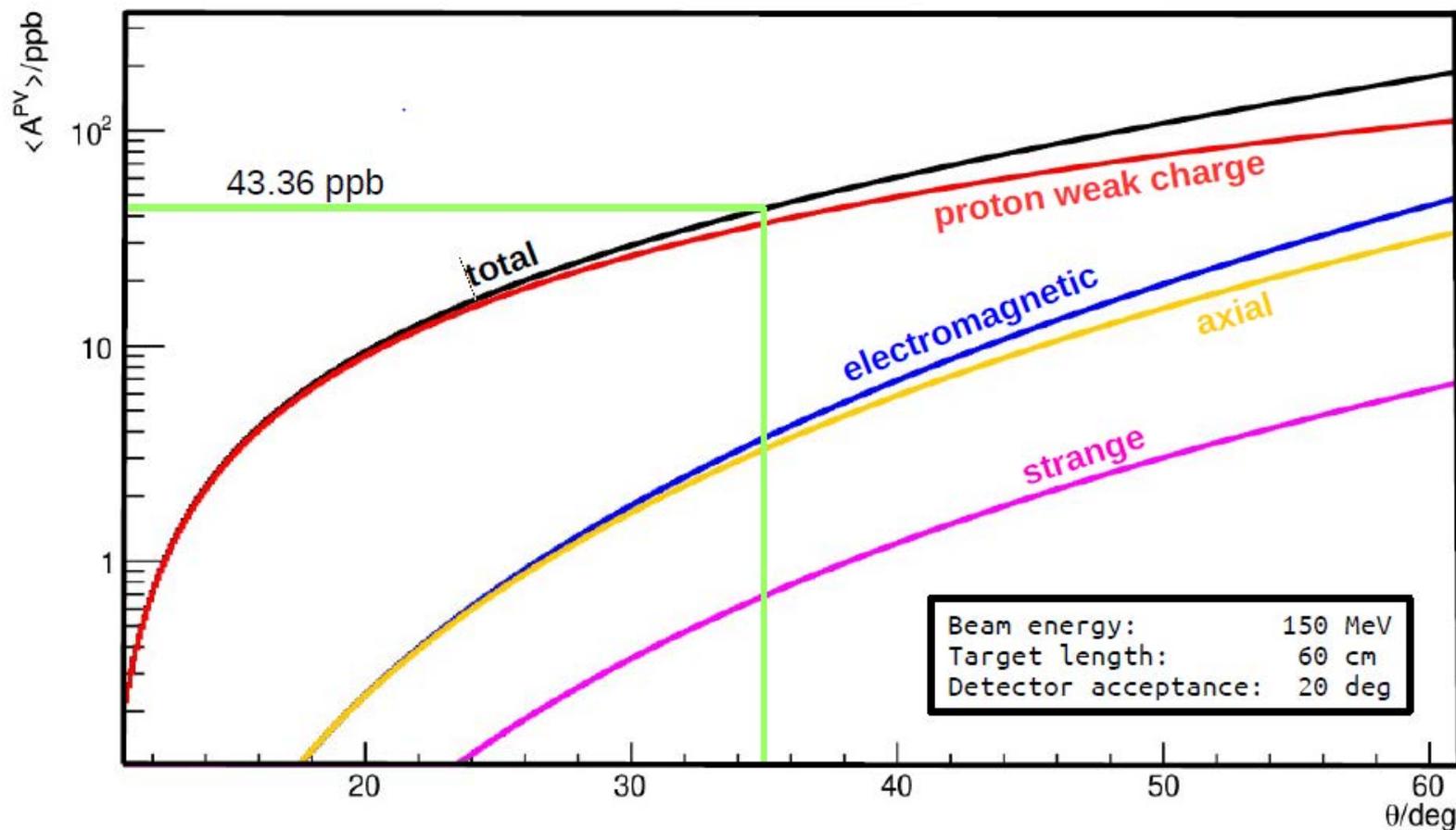
| E/MeV | $\theta/\text{deg}$ | $\Delta\theta/\text{deg}$ | $\Delta\sin^2(\theta_w)/10^{-4}$ | $\Delta\sin^2(\theta_w)/\sin^2(\theta_w)$ |
|-------|---------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| 240   | 24                  | 18                        | 2.41                             | 0.10 %                                    |
| 200   | 28                  | 16                        | 2.52                             | 0.11 %                                    |
| 150   | 33                  | 18                        | 2.73                             | 0.11 %                                    |
| 130   | 37                  | 18                        | 2.87                             | 0.12 %                                    |



- $\Delta\sin^2(\theta_w)$  drops from  $3.60 \cdot 10^{-4}$  to  $2.52 \cdot 10^{-4}$  → possible reduction of  $\Delta t$
- $\sin^2(\theta_w)$ -measurement at larger scattering angles (more easy to measure)

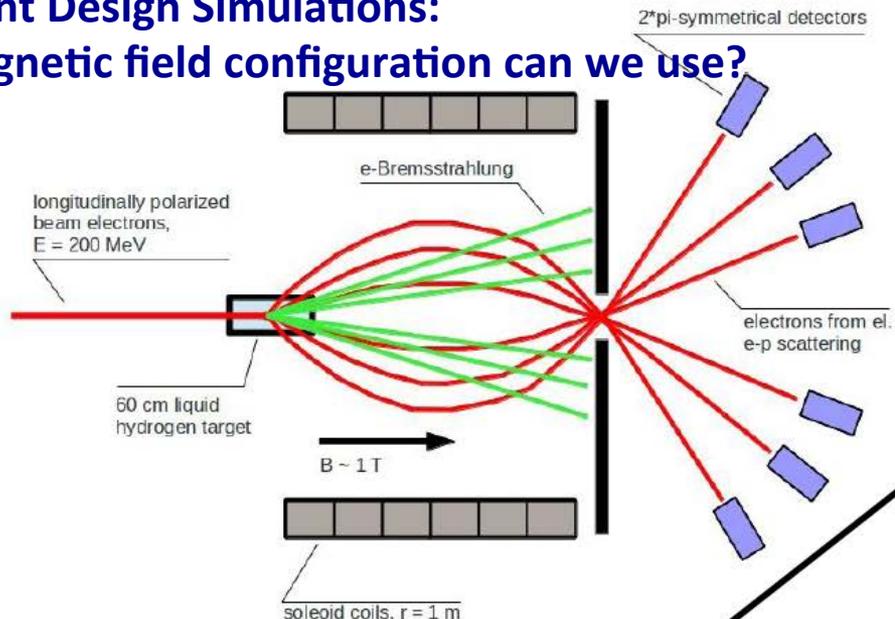


- Contributions to  $\Delta\sin^2\Theta_W$  for  $35^\circ$  central scattering angle,  $E=150$  MeV, 10000 h of data taking





**Experiment Design Simulations:**  
**What Magnetic field configuration can we use?**



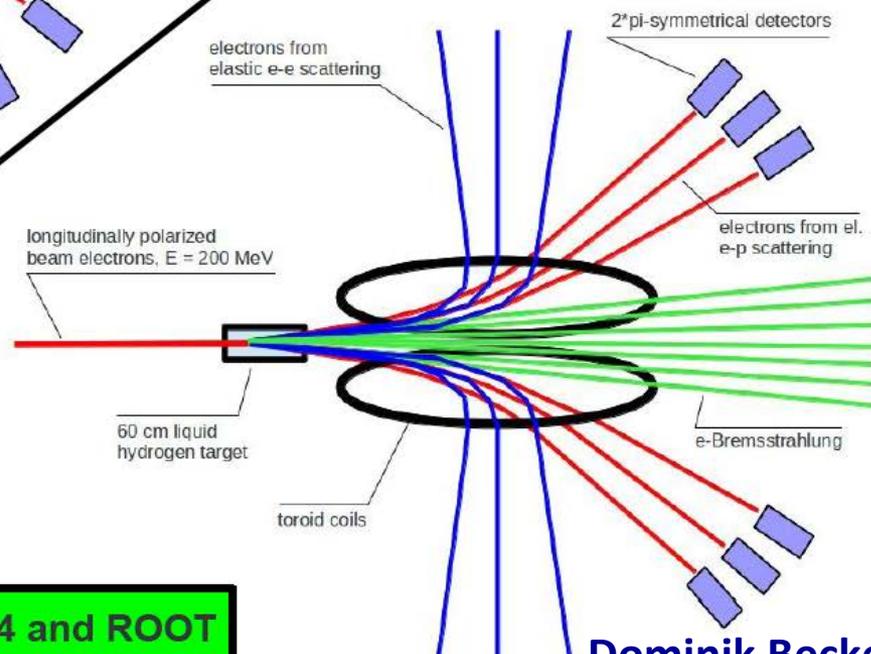
**Solenoid:**

- Full azimuthal coverage
- Compact setup
- Superconducting coils

P. Souder in "Parity violation in electron scattering"  
Proceedings of a workshop at CalTeck  
Ed: E. J. Beise and R. D. McKeown  
World Scientific, 1990

**Toroid:**

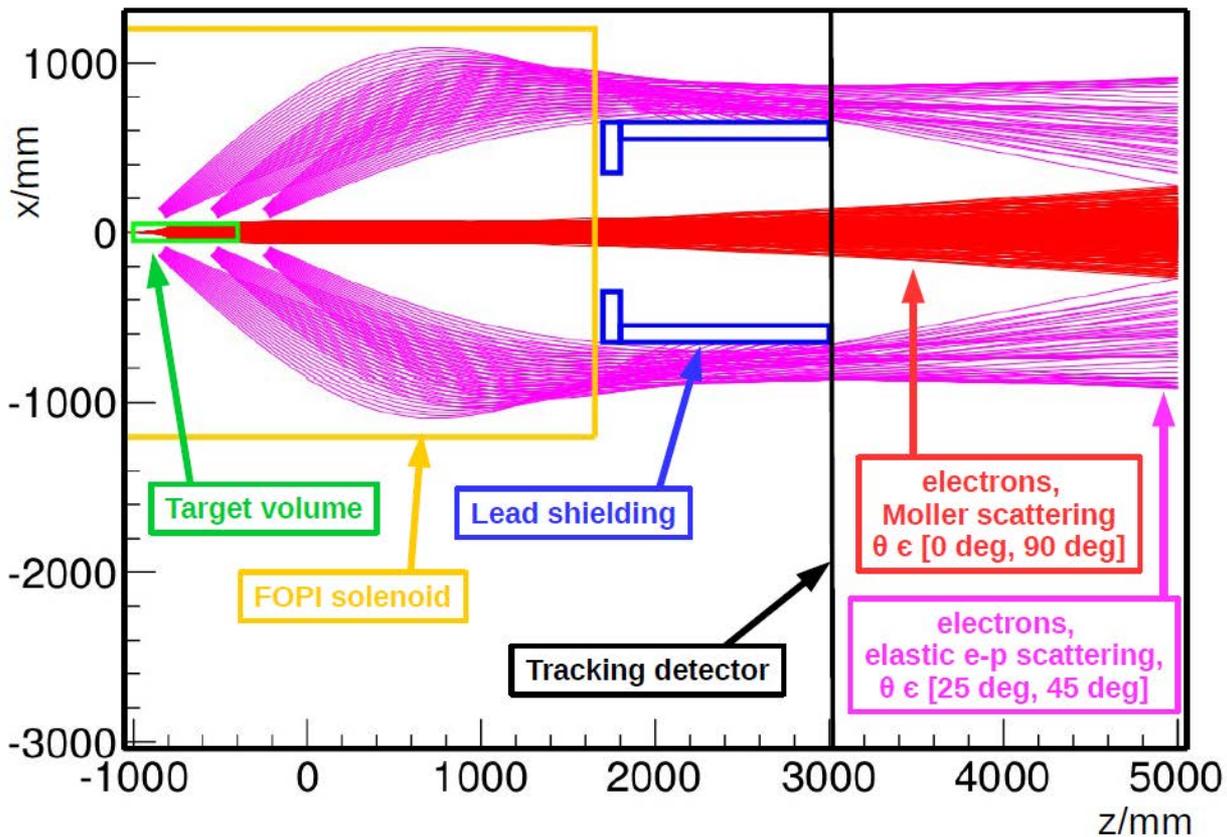
- Loss of ~50% solid angle  
→ double measurement time
- Larger setup
- Copper coils



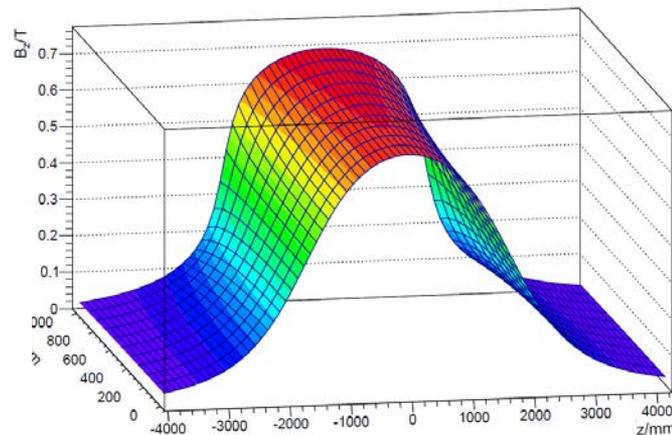
**Feasibility study with Geant4 and ROOT**



## Design with FOPI-like Solenoid

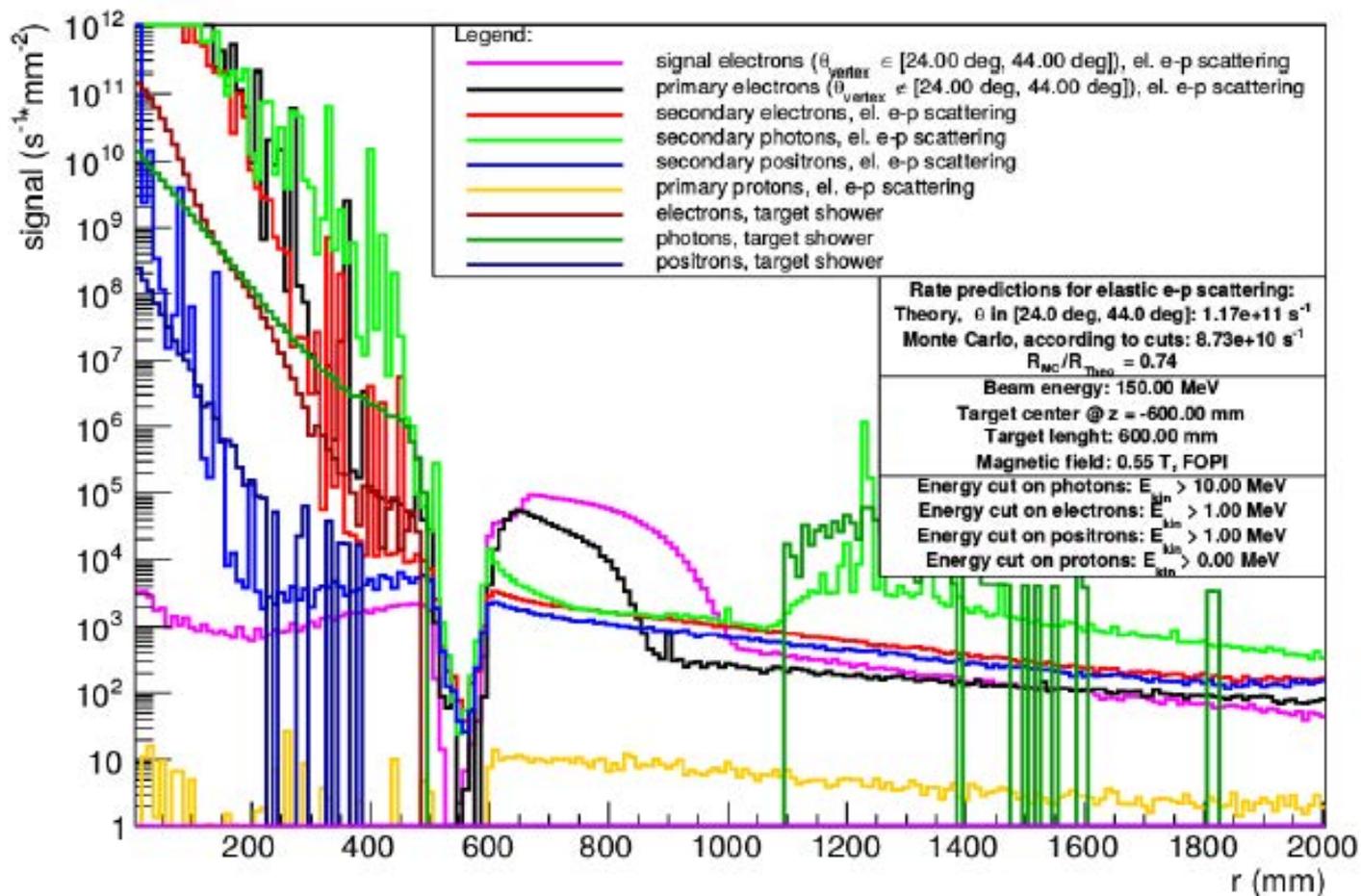


Field component along beam axis



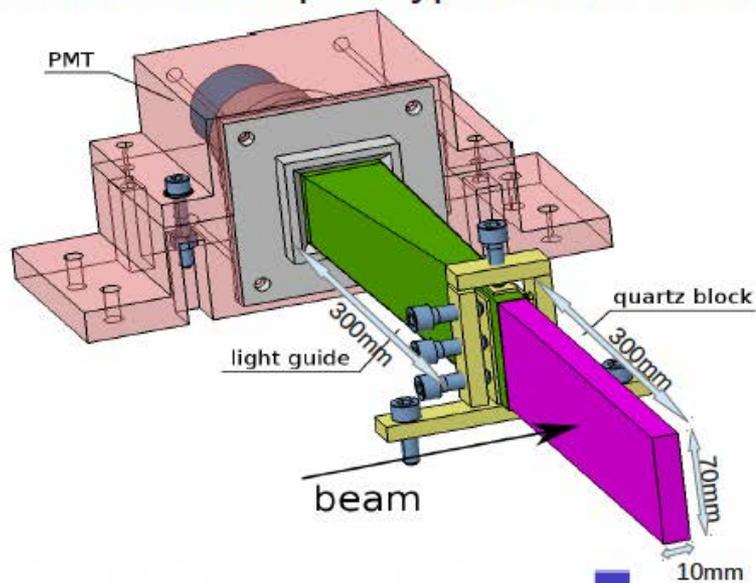


Rate distribution @  $z = 3810.00$  mm





Detector module prototype tested at MAMI

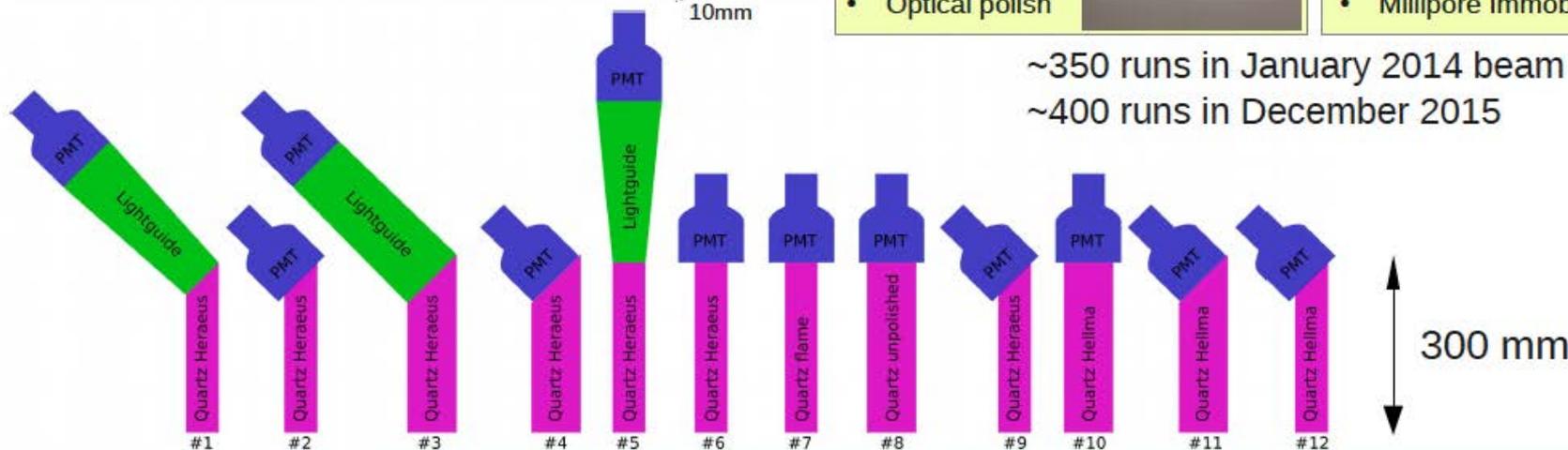


Outline of different setups and scan series 01/2014

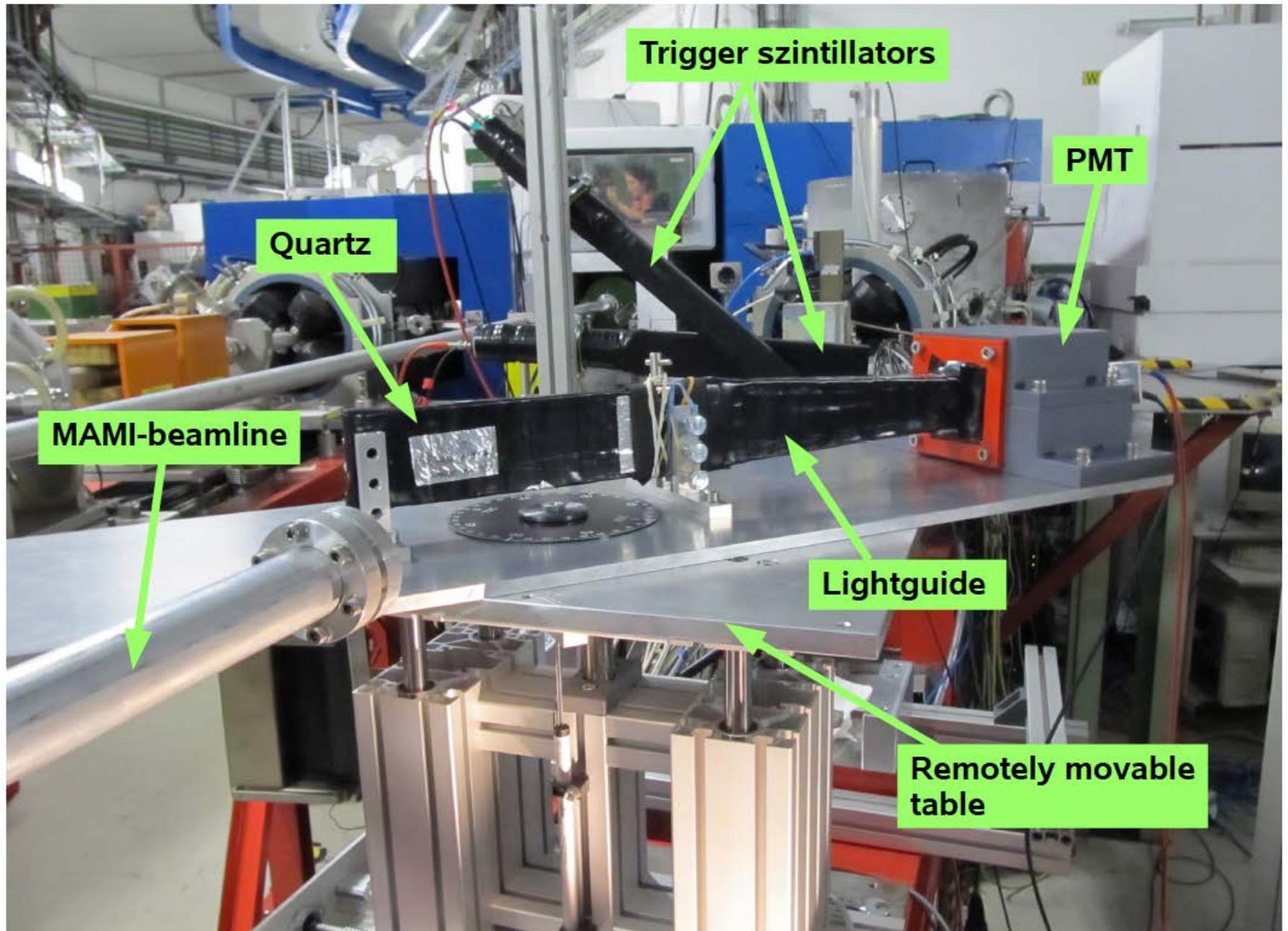
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| <p><b>Angular scans</b></p>                                                                                                               | <p><b>Position scans</b></p>                                                                                                                                                              |
| <p><b>Quartz materials</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heraeus Suprasil 2A</li> <li>• Heraeus Spectrosil 2000</li> </ul> | <p><b>Geometries</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Quartz bars 10mm / 15mm</li> <li>• w/ and w/o "outlet optic" (45° cut)</li> <li>• Measurements w/ and w/o LG</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>Polishes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flamepolished</li> <li>• Mechanical</li> <li>• Optical polish</li> </ul>  | <p><b>Reflective materials for wrap and LG</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mylar</li> <li>• Alanod 4300UP</li> <li>• Millipore ImmobilonP</li> </ul>                     |

~350 runs in January 2014 beam time

~400 runs in December 2015

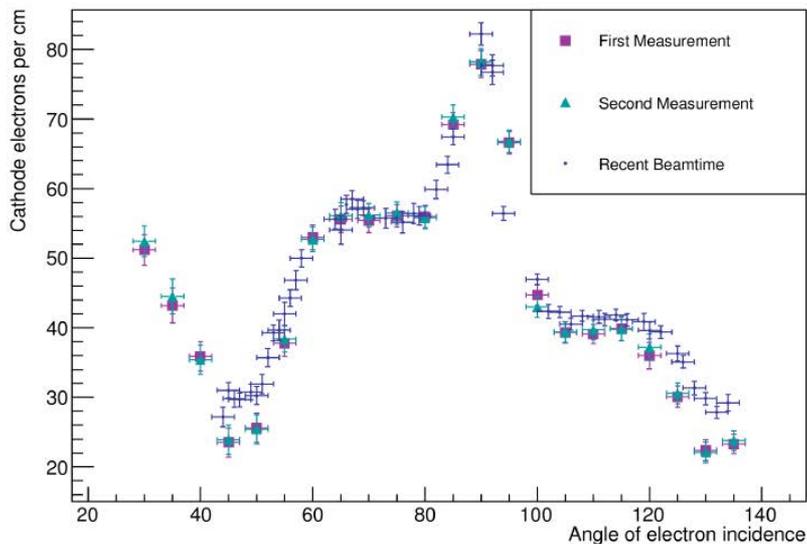


# P2 Experimental setup (second testbeam January 2014)



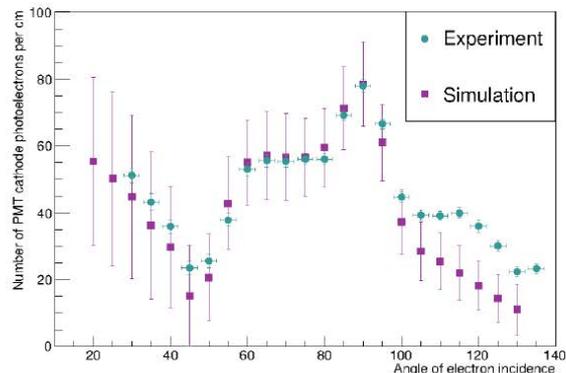


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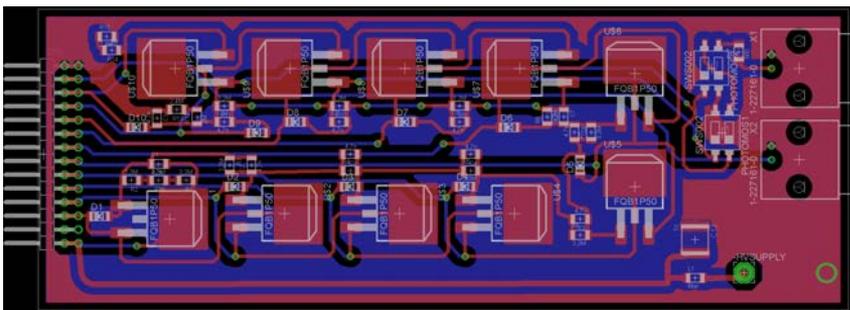
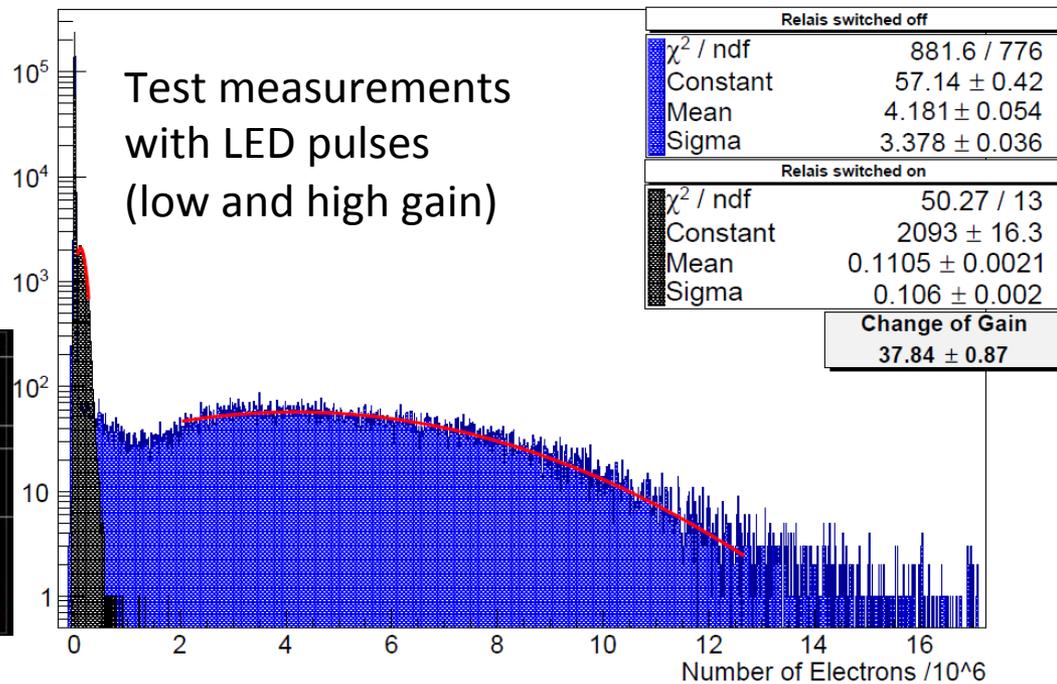
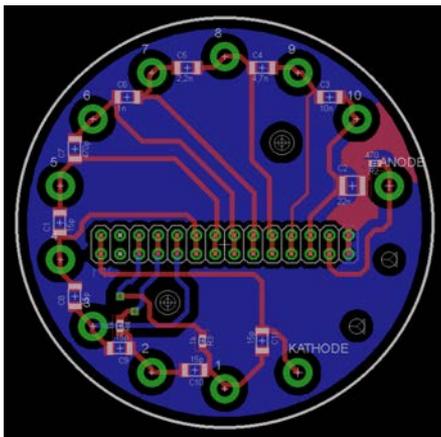
Comparison of experimental data with Simulation:

Dependence of signal amplitude on electron angle





## Development of PMT base with remotely switchable gain (high and low current mode)

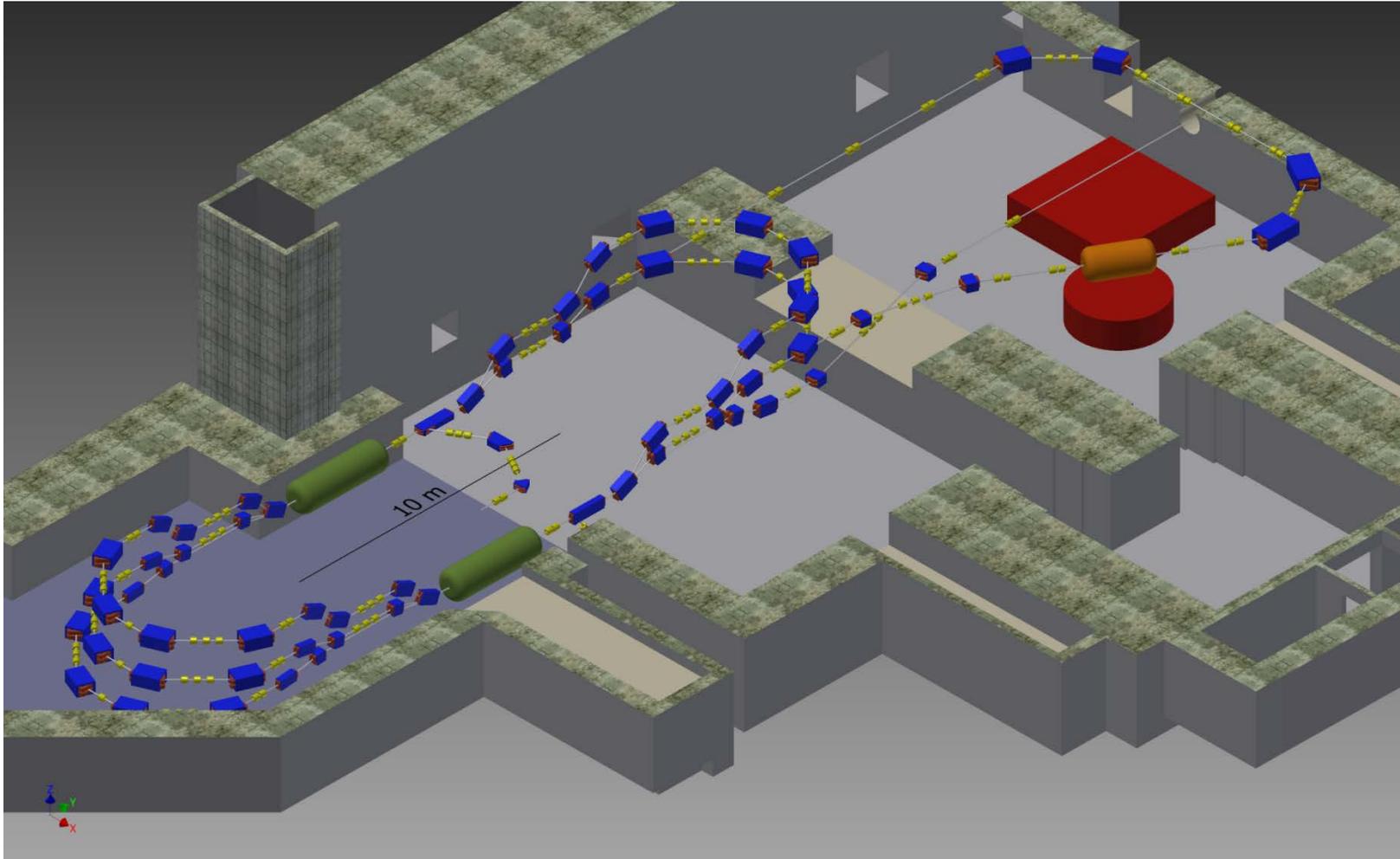




## MESA-Accelerator



|                                                |                                                                                           |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Beam Energy ERL/EB [MeV]                       | 105/155 (105/205)                                                                         |
| Operation mode                                 | 1300 MHz, c.w.                                                                            |
| Elektron-sources                               | 1.) Polarised : NEA GaAsP/GaAs superlattice , 200keV (?)<br>2.) unpolarised KCsSb, 200keV |
| Bunch Charge EB/ERL [pC]<br>7.7pC=10mA@1300MHz | 0.15/0.77 (0.15/7.7)                                                                      |
| Norm. Emittance EB/ERL [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]       | 0.1/<0.5 (0.1/<1)                                                                         |
| Spin Polarisation ( EB-mode only)              | > 0.85                                                                                    |
| Recirculations                                 | 2 (3)                                                                                     |
| Beampower at Exp. ERL/EB [kW]                  | 100/22.5 (1050/30)                                                                        |
| R.f.-Power installed [kW]                      | 140 (180)                                                                                 |





Parity violating electron scattering: “Low energy frontier” comprises a sensitive test of the standard model **complementary to LHC**

Qweak has presented first results from 4% of their data.  
Target precision is 4% in Qweak i.e. 0.3% in  $\sin^2(\theta_w)$

P2-Experiment (proton weak charge) in Mainz under preparation  
New MESA energy recovering accelerator at 150 MeV  
Target precision is 1.7% in Qweak i.e. 0.1% in  $\sin^2(\theta_w)$   
Sensitivity to new physics up to a scale of 6.4 TeV through  
Quantum corrections

Together with Moeller@Jlab (electron weak charge) and  
SOLID@Jlab (quark weak charge) possibility to narrow in on  
Standard Model Extension