



# A high-precision determination of the weak mixing angle $\sin^2(\theta_w)$ at MESA



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## Outline

MESA: energy recovering linear accelerator

Weak Mixing Angle

Experimental Method:  $A_{PV}$

Experimental Setup



Recent developments (past five years)



### Helmholtz Institute Mainz:

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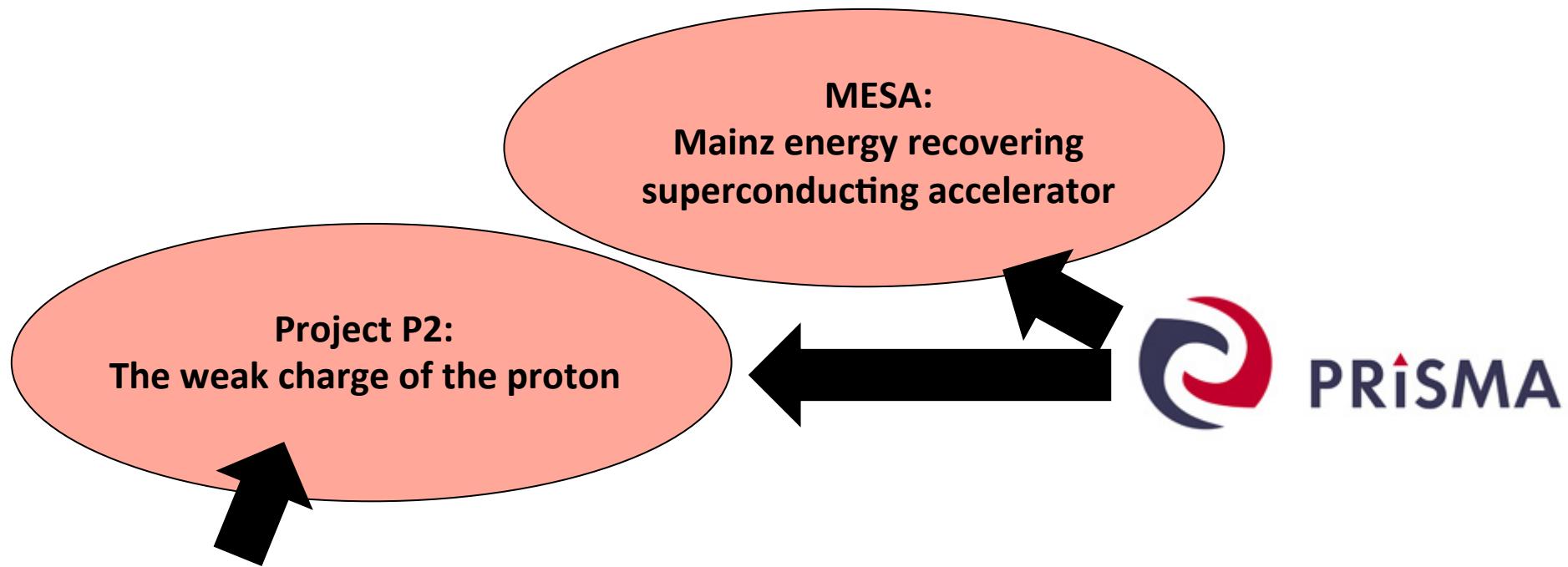


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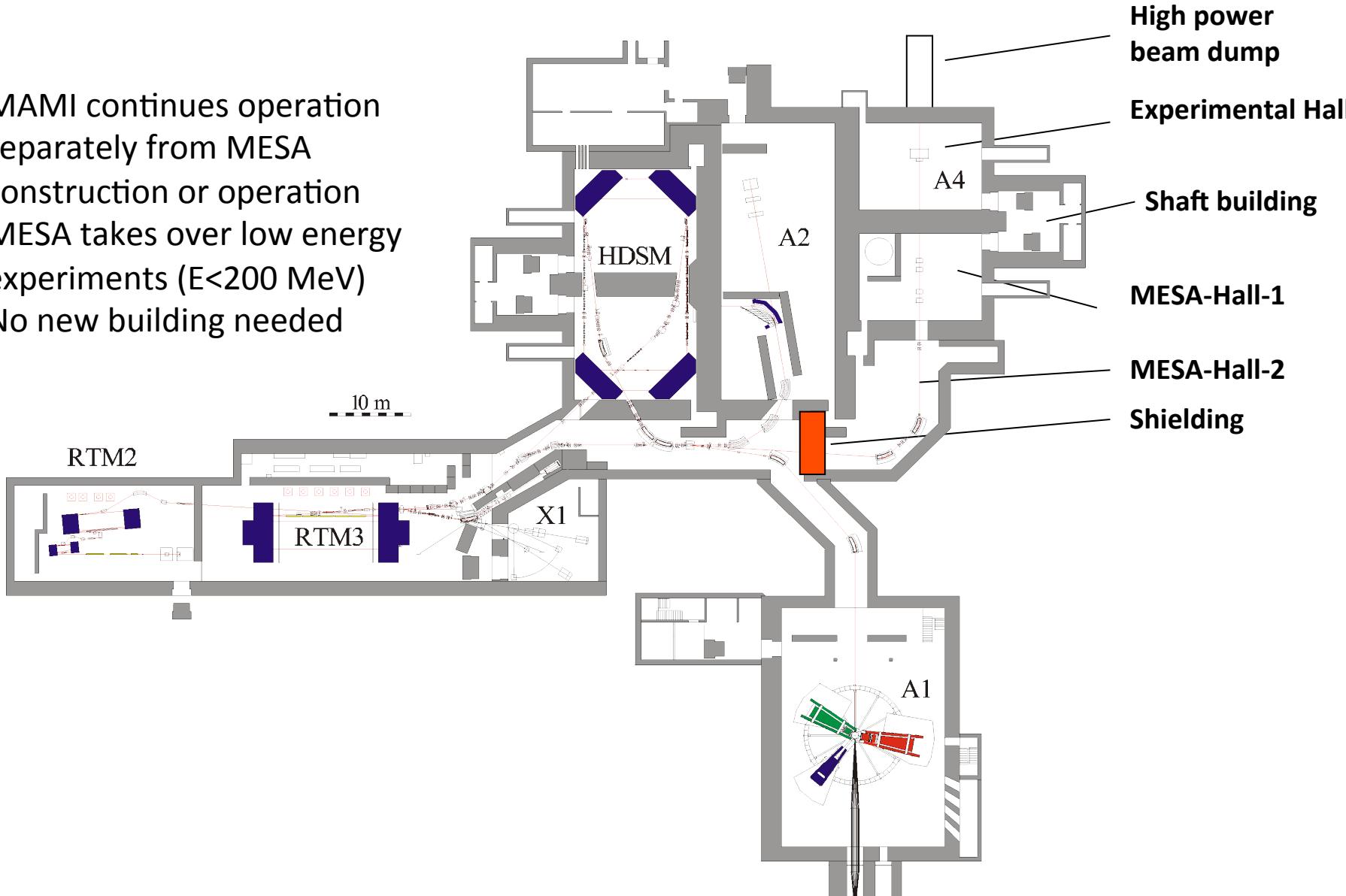
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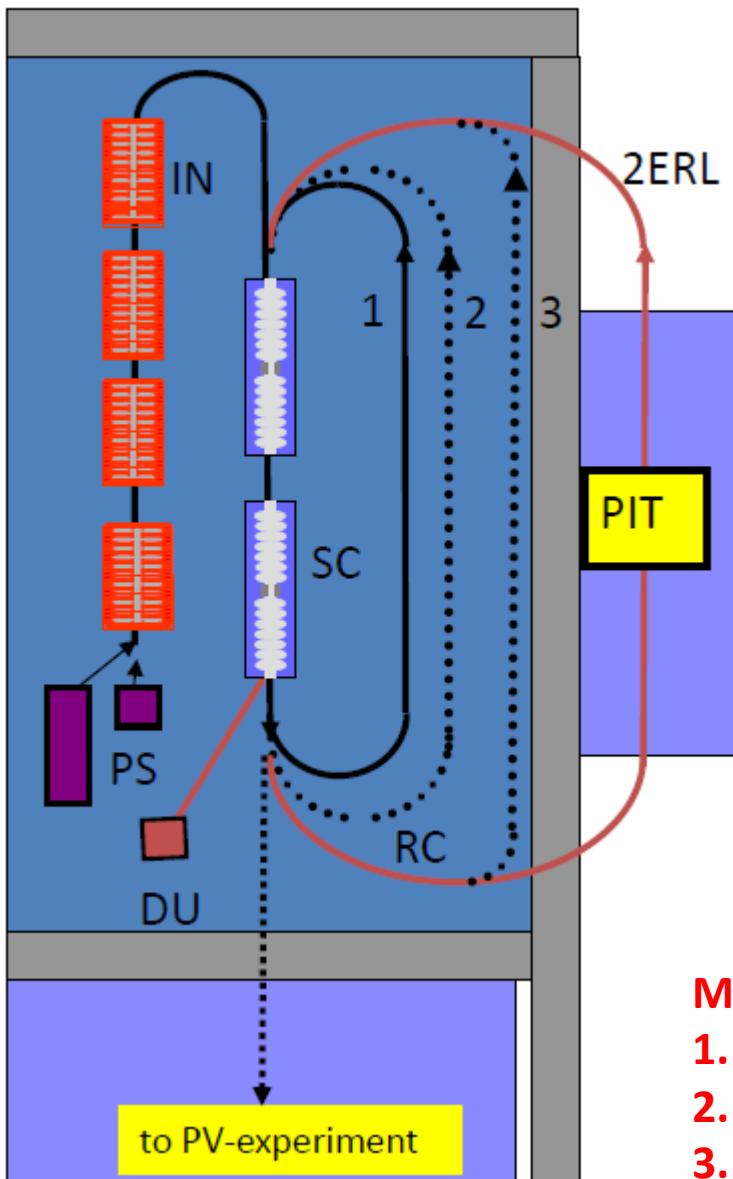


## MESA-Accelerator



- MAMI continues operation separately from MESA construction or operation
- MESA takes over low energy experiments ( $E < 200$  MeV)
- No new building needed





## Mainz energy recovering superconducting accelerator

1.3 GHz c.w. beam

Normal conducting injector LINAC

Superconducting cavities in recirculation beamline

### ERL mode (Energy recovering mode):

10 mA, 100 MeV unpolarized beam (pseudo internal gas hydrogen target  $L \sim 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ )

### EB mode (External beam):

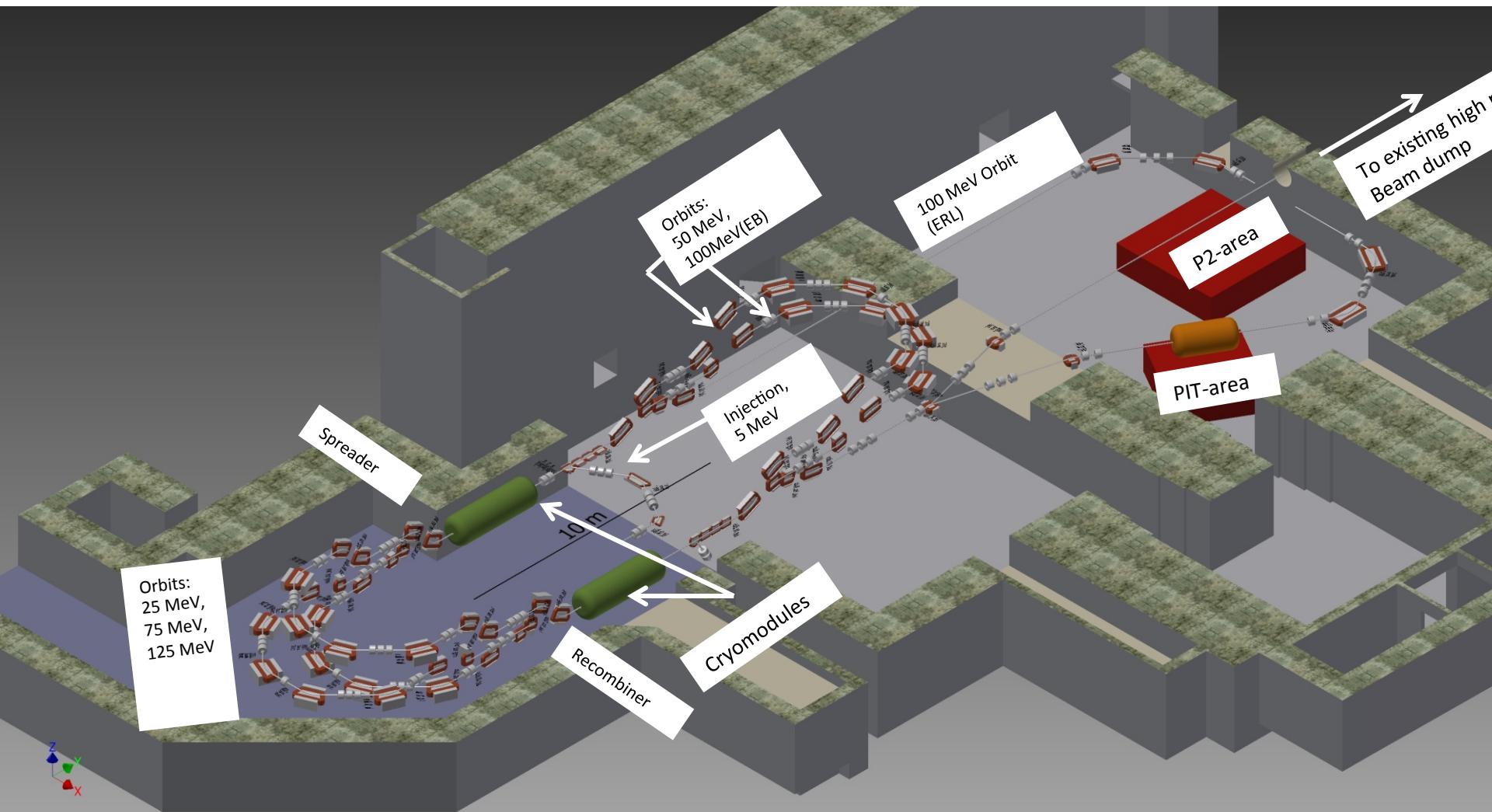
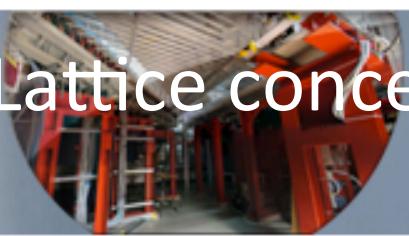
300  $\mu\text{A}$ , 150 MeV polarized beam (liquid Hydrogen target  $L \sim 10^{39} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ )

### Motivation for MESA-Accelerator:

1. New accelerator technique (ERL)
2. Search for Dark Photon (ERL)
3. Measurement of the weak charge of the Proton (EB)

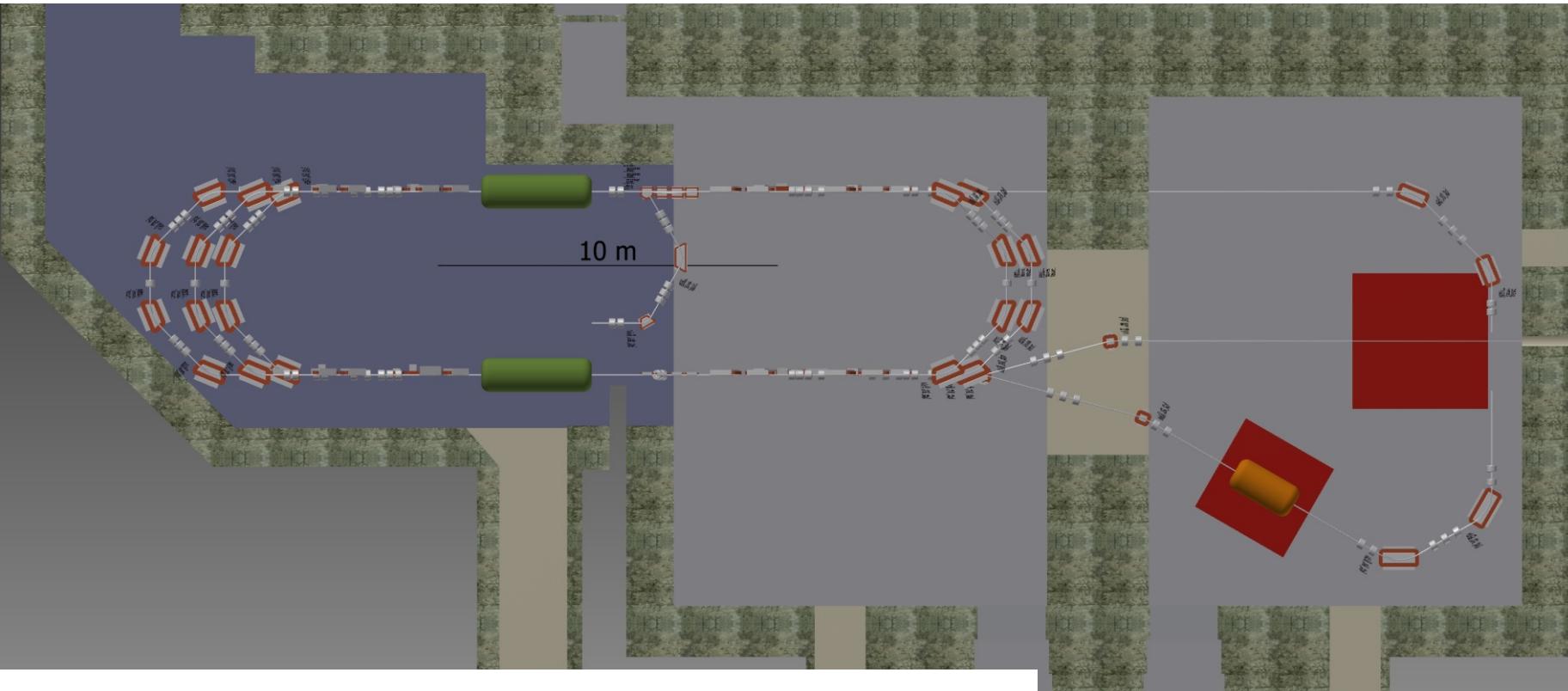


Beam Energy ERL/EB [MeV]	105/155 (105/205)
Operation mode	1300 MHz, c.w.
Elektron-sources	1.) Polarised : NEA GaAsP/GaAs superlattice , 200keV (?) 2.) unpolarised KCsSb, 200keV
Bunch Charge EB/ERL [pC] <b>7.7pC=10mA@1300MHz</b>	0.15/0.77 (0.15/7.7)
Norm. Emittance EB/ERL [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	0.1/<0.5 (0.1/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



„Double axis“ acceleration, CEBAF inspired

D. Simon/K.H. Kaiser

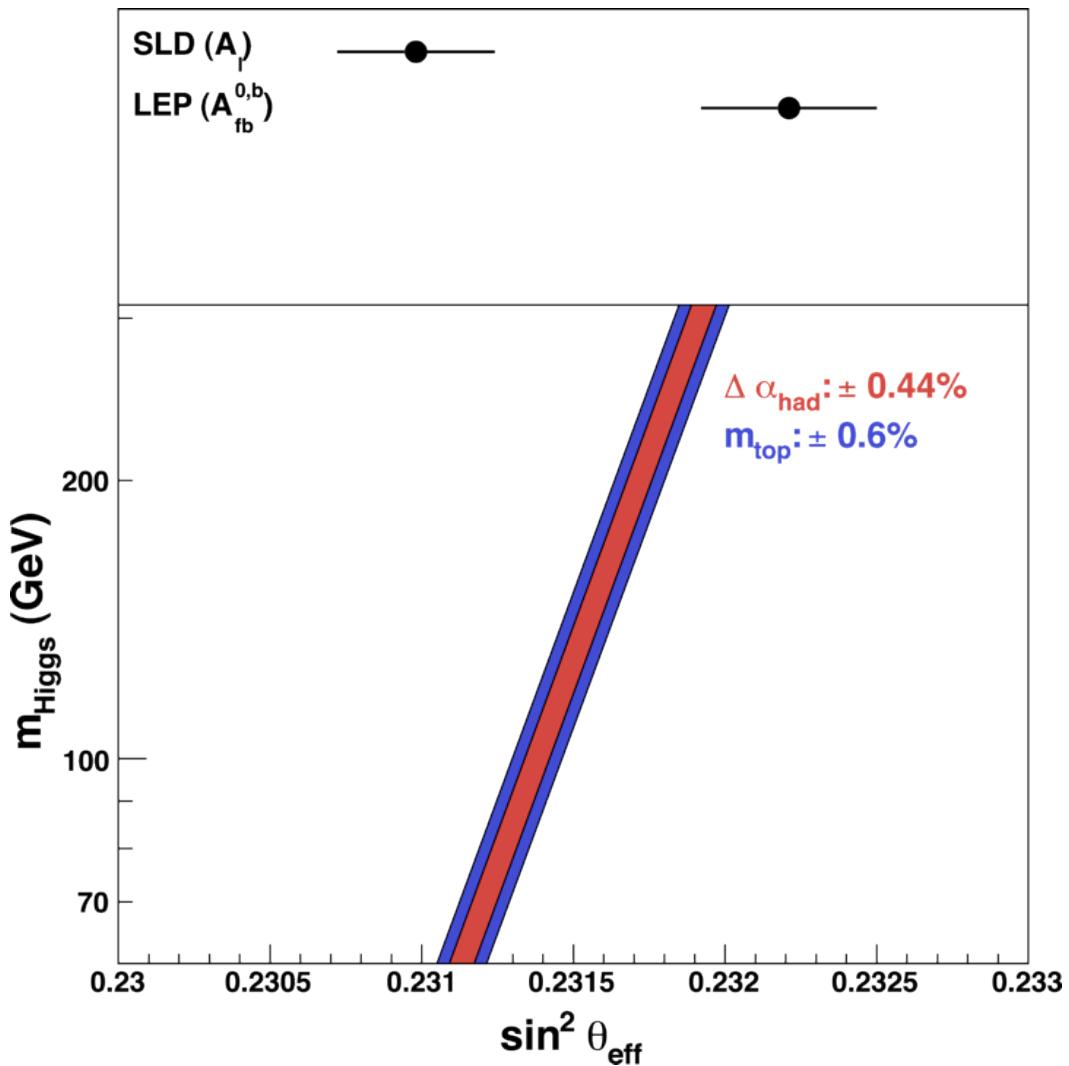


### Features:

- 1.) Minimized intrusion into building
- 2.) Beam transport EB/ERL trough lattice feasible
- 3.) Can be made compatible with four seater cryomodules
- 4.) Energy doubling seems in principle feasible  
(200MeV ERL/300MeV EB)

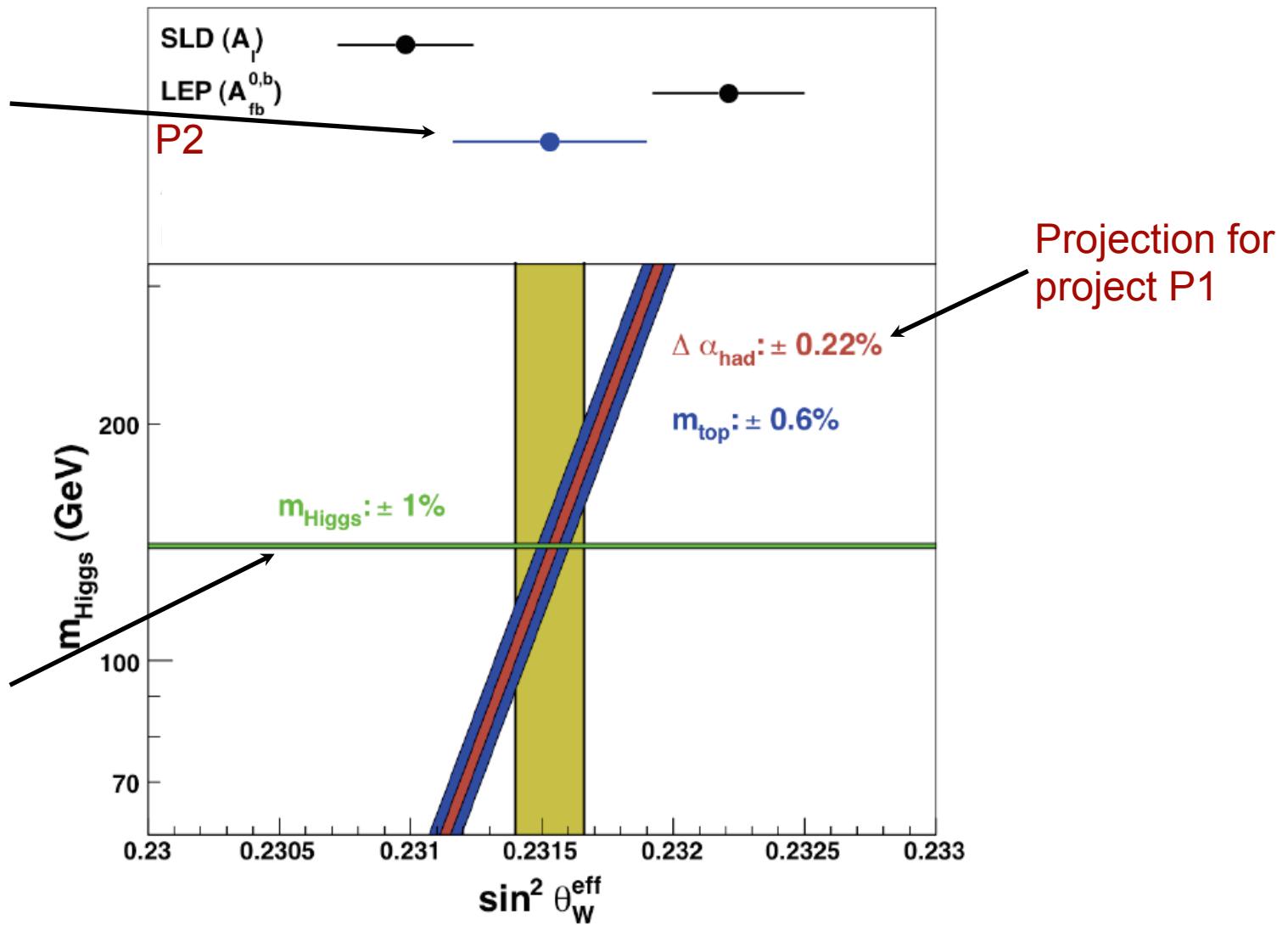


„running“  $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$  or  $\sin^2 \theta_W(\mu)$





Projection for  
project P2

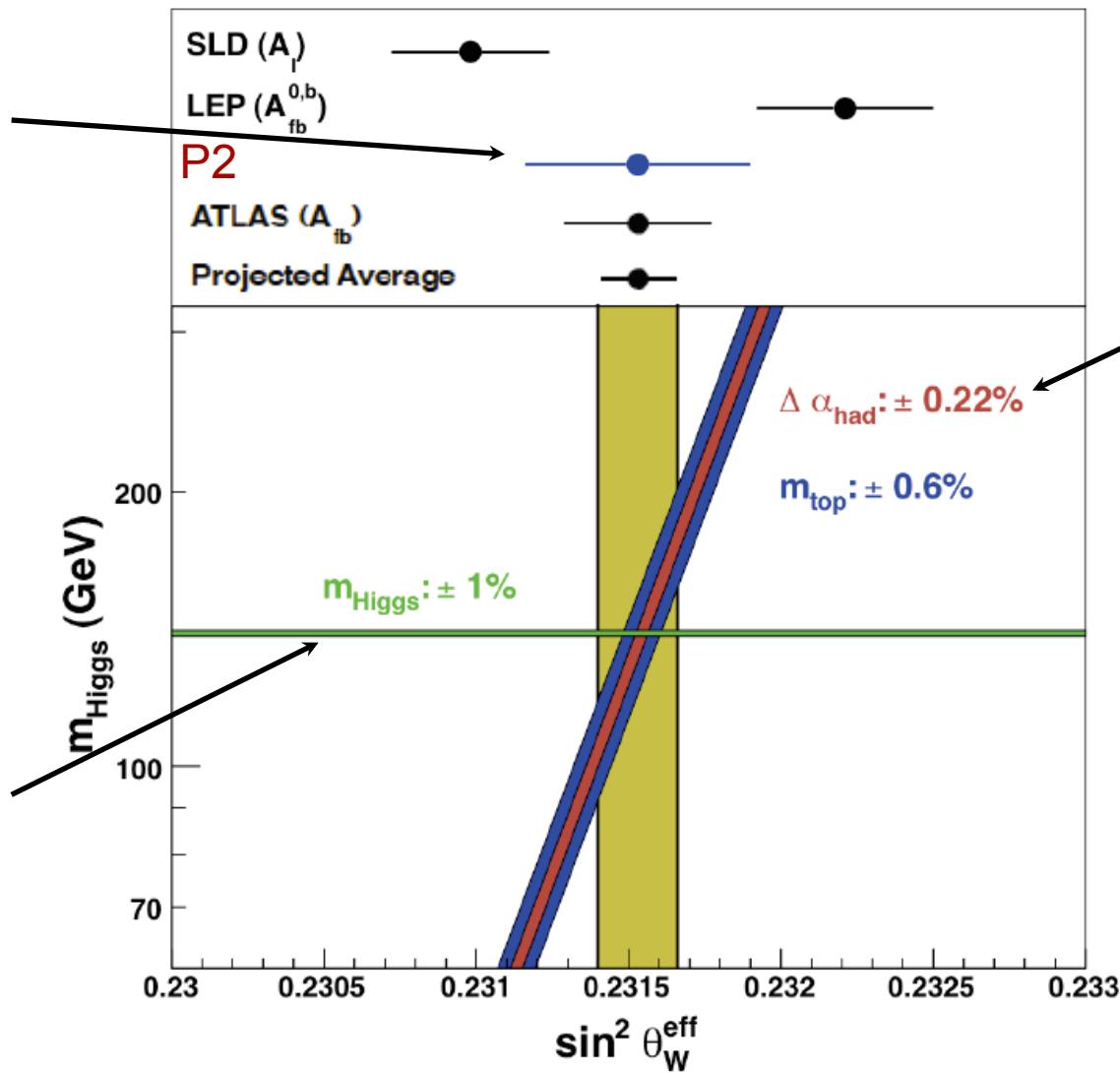




Projection for  
project P2

Expectation  
from LHC

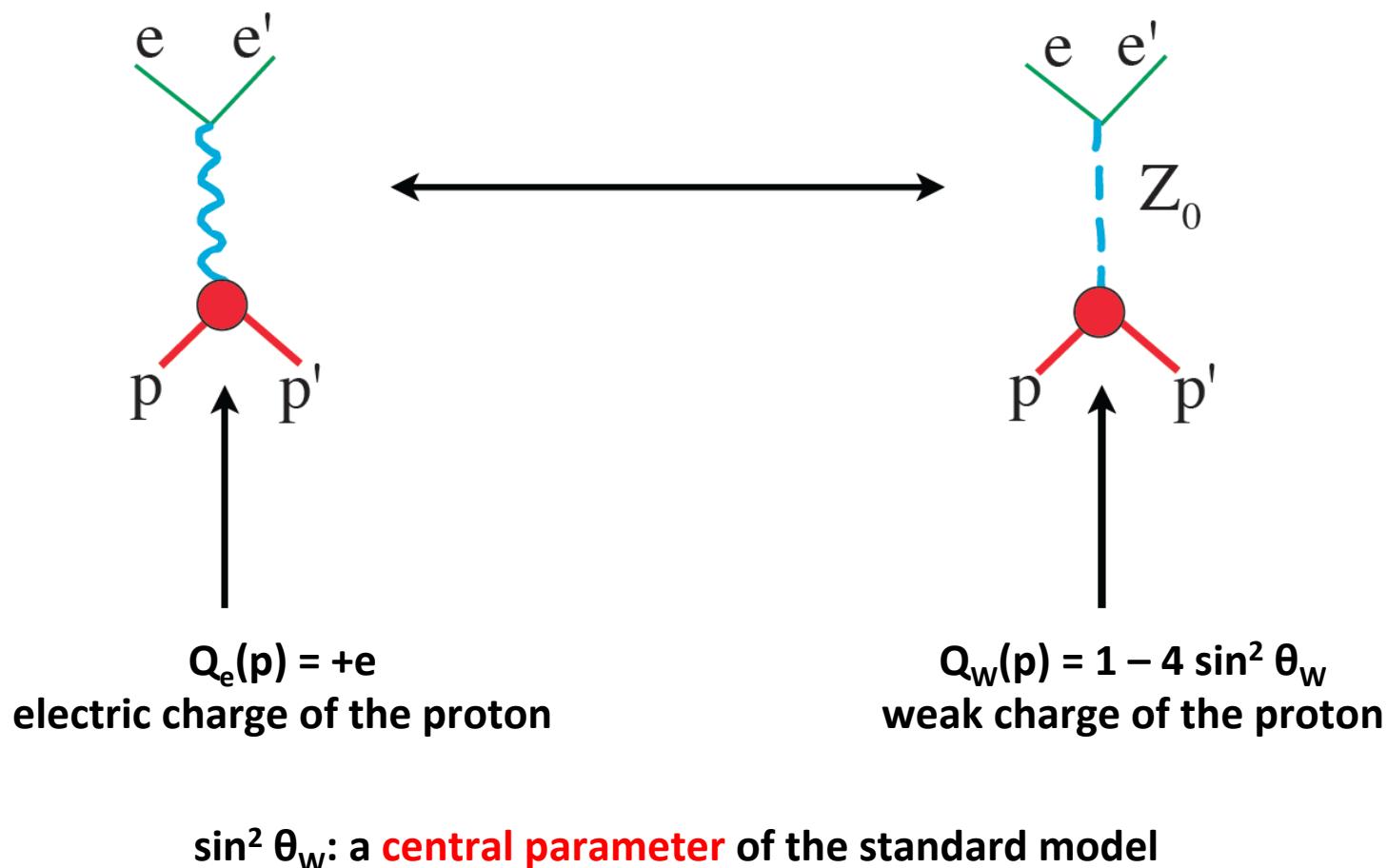
Projection for  
project P1





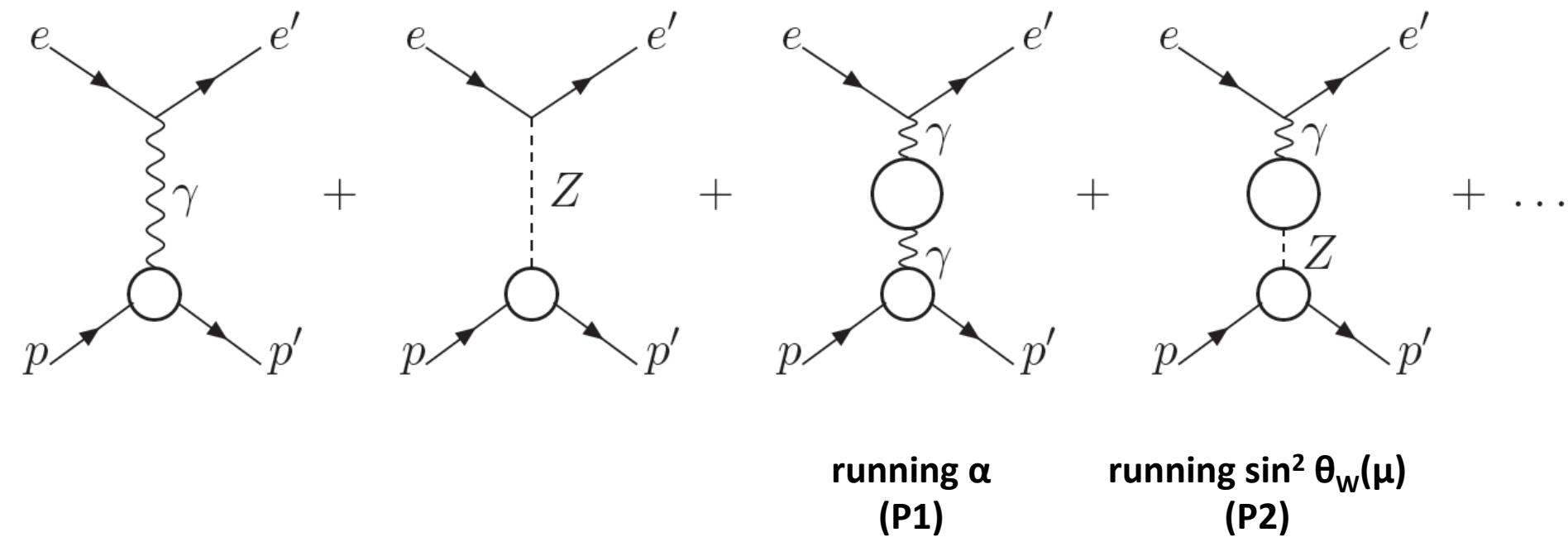
## The role of the weak mixing angle

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





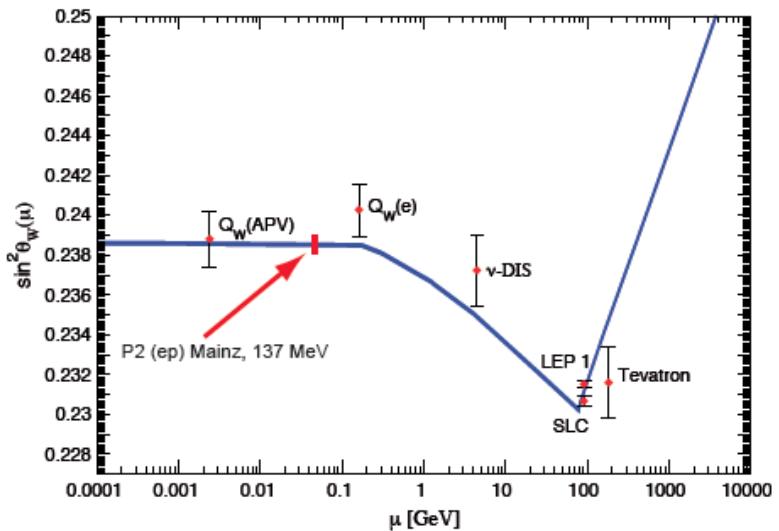
## Precision measurements and quantum corrections:



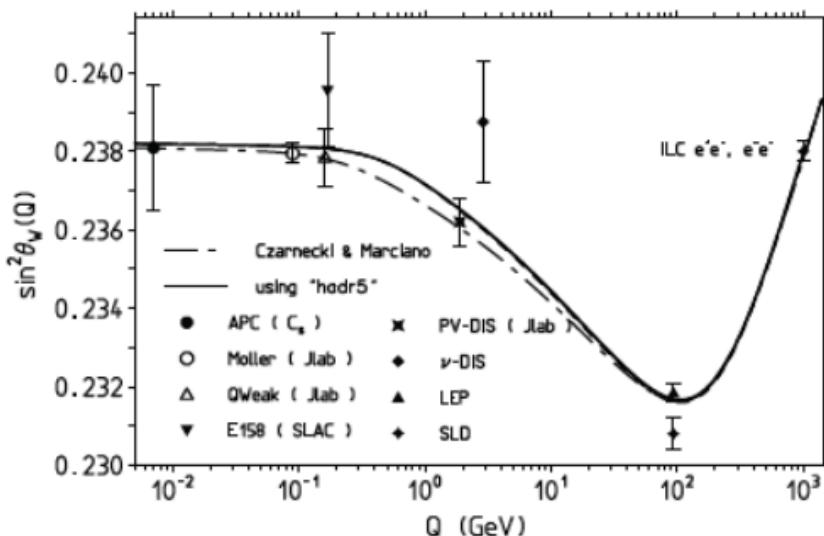
Universal quantum corrections: can be absorbed into a  
**scale dependent, „running“**  $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$  or  $\sin^2 \theta_w(\mu)$



## Theory



Erler, Ramsey-Musolf

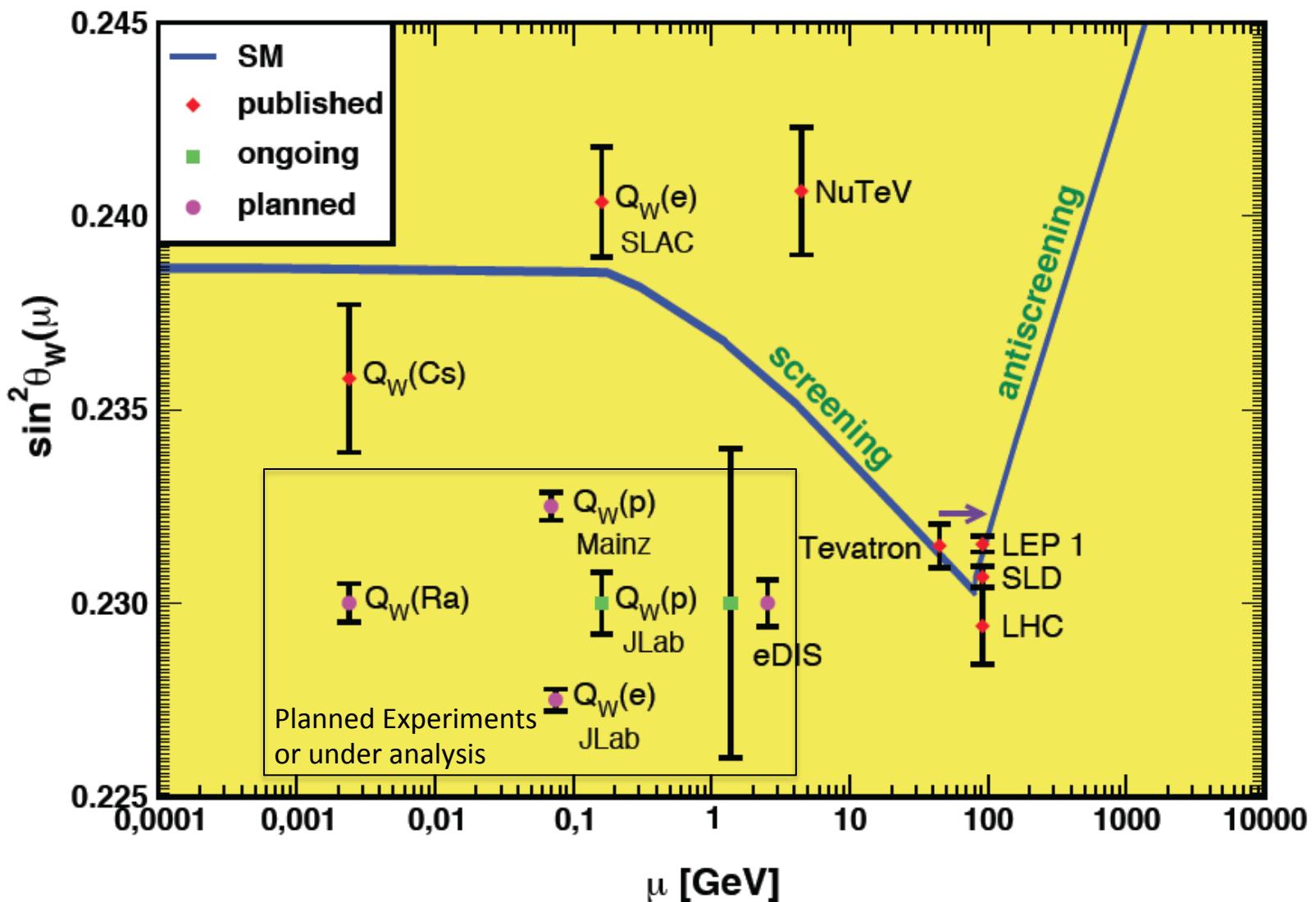


Jegerlehner

Different prescriptions for the definition of the scale dependence  
→ set up full 1-loop corrected expression for the observable  $A_{ep}$

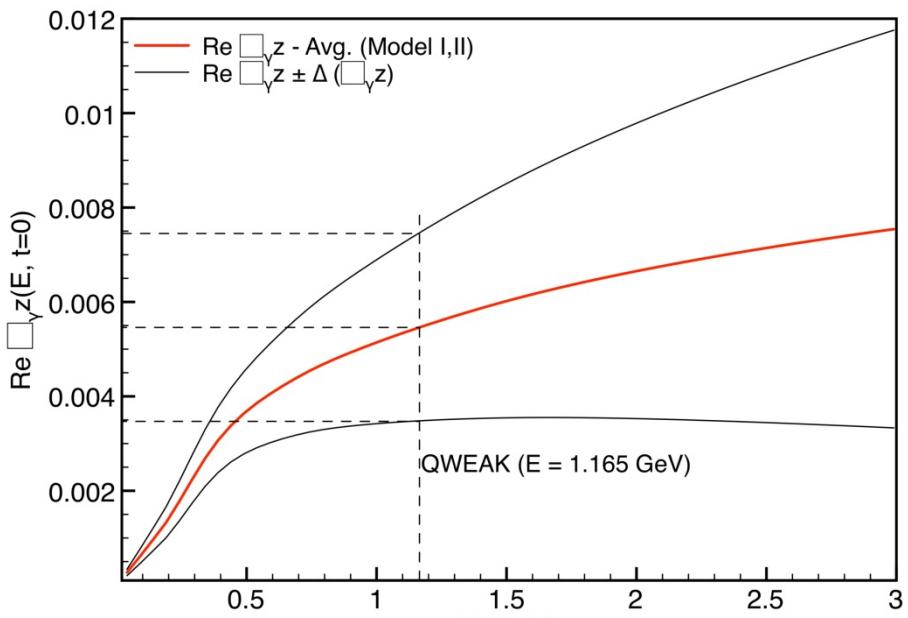
Theory uncertainties: parameter dependence and hadronic input

Jens Erler: PRISMA guest professor (since August 1)

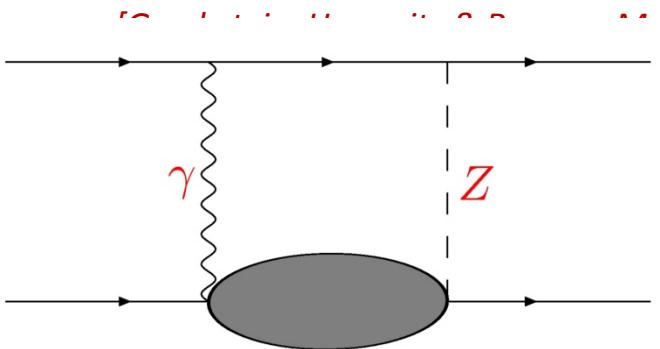




- $\gamma Z$  box graph contributions obtained by modelling hadronic effects:



*olf 2011]*



- Hadronic uncertainties suppressed at lower energies
- Planned experiment:  
**P2 @ MESA**

Dominant theoretical uncertainty:

$\gamma Z$  box graphs,  $\square \downarrow \gamma Z$

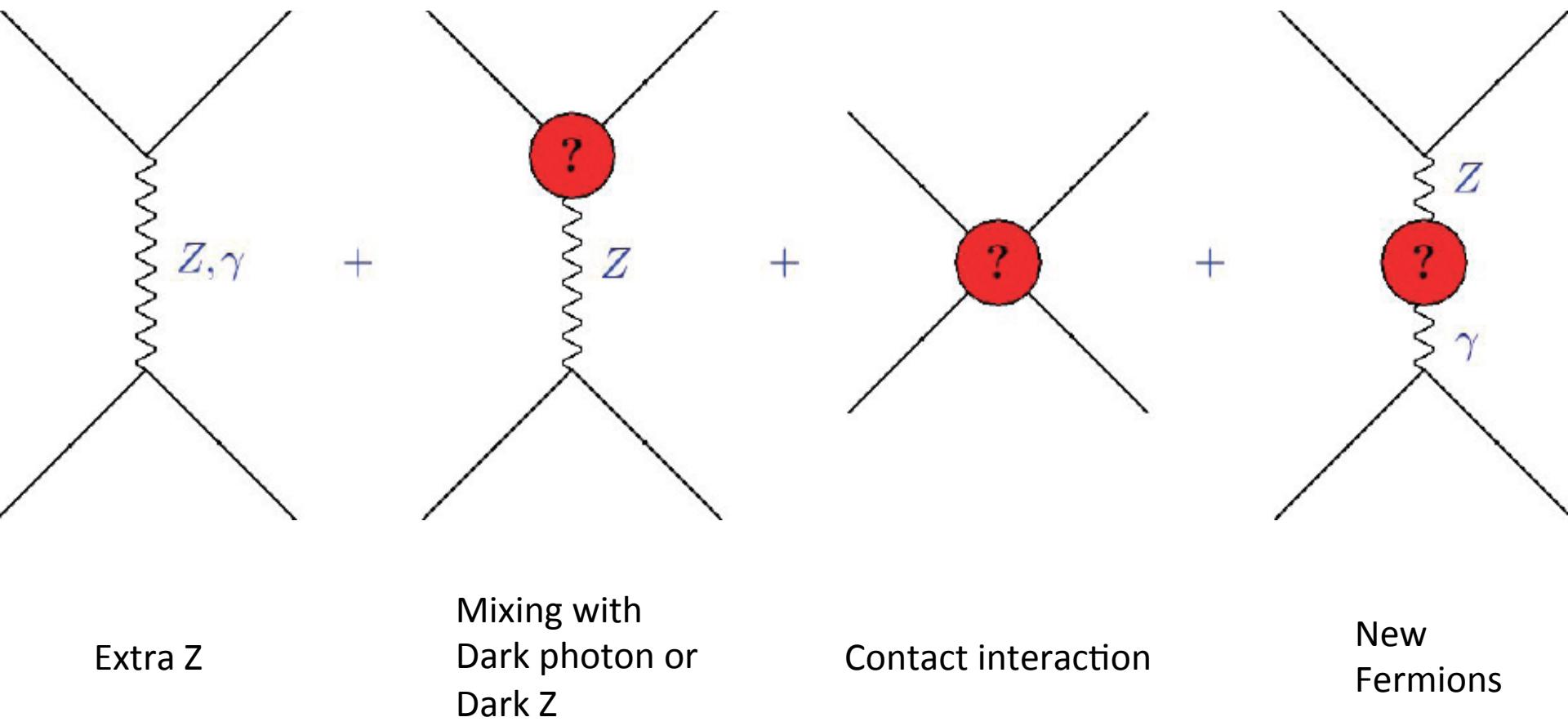
Sensitive to hadronic effects



Sensitivity to new physics beyond the Standard Model

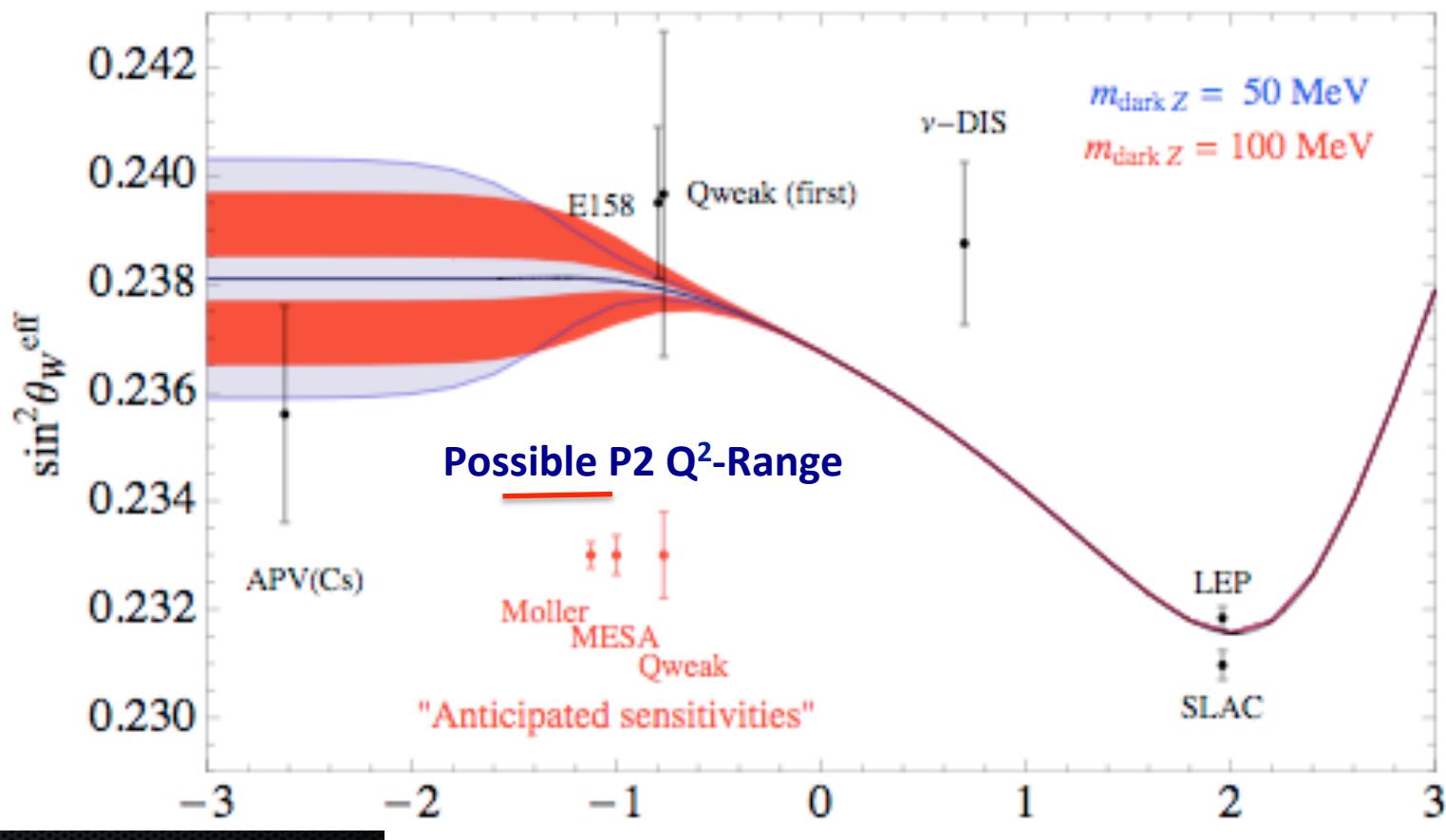


## Sensitivity to new physics beyond the Standard Model





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



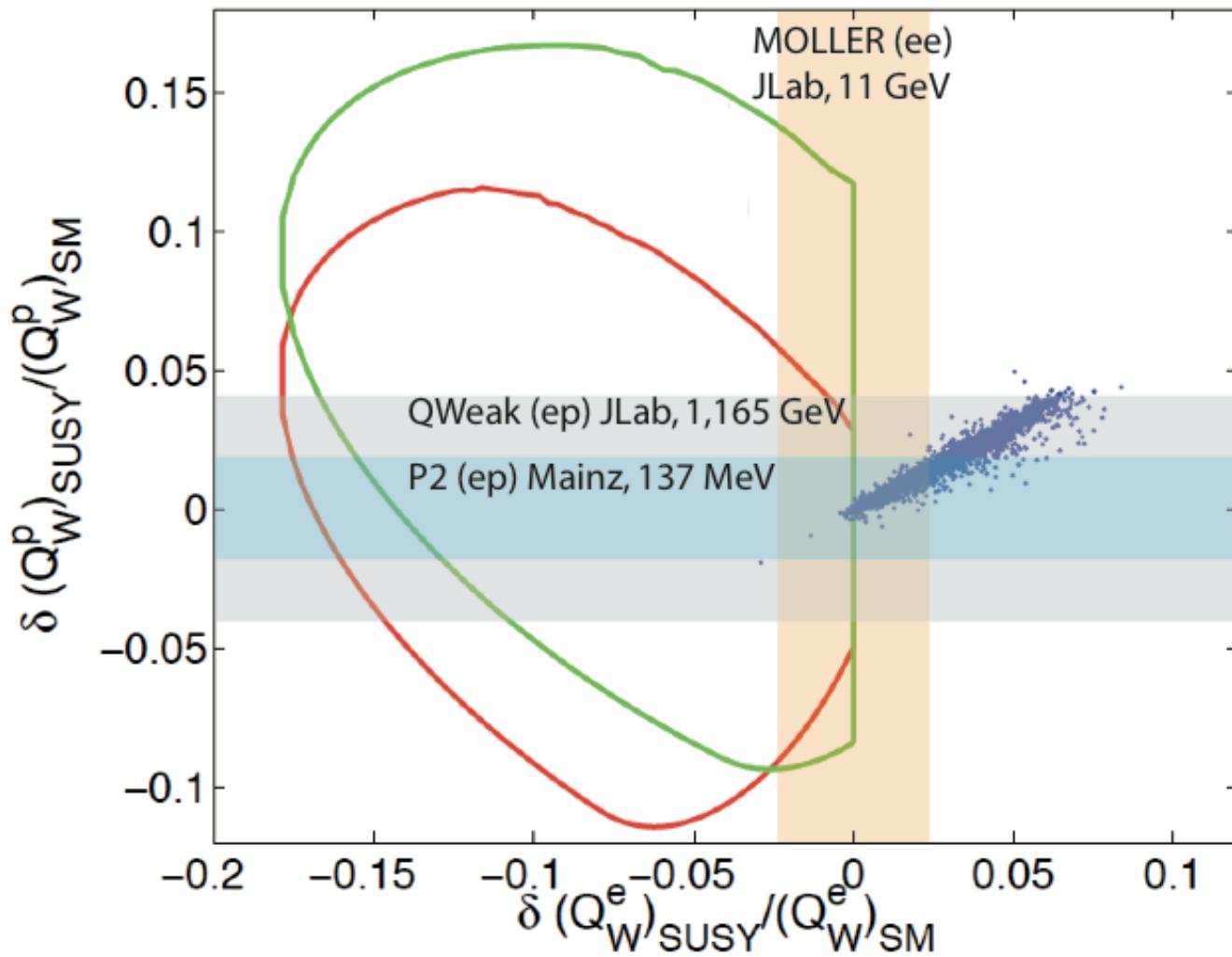
$$Z = \cos\theta_W W_3 - \sin\theta_W B$$
$$A = \sin\theta_W W_3 + \cos\theta_W B$$

$\log_{10} Q [\text{GeV}]$

Bill Marciano

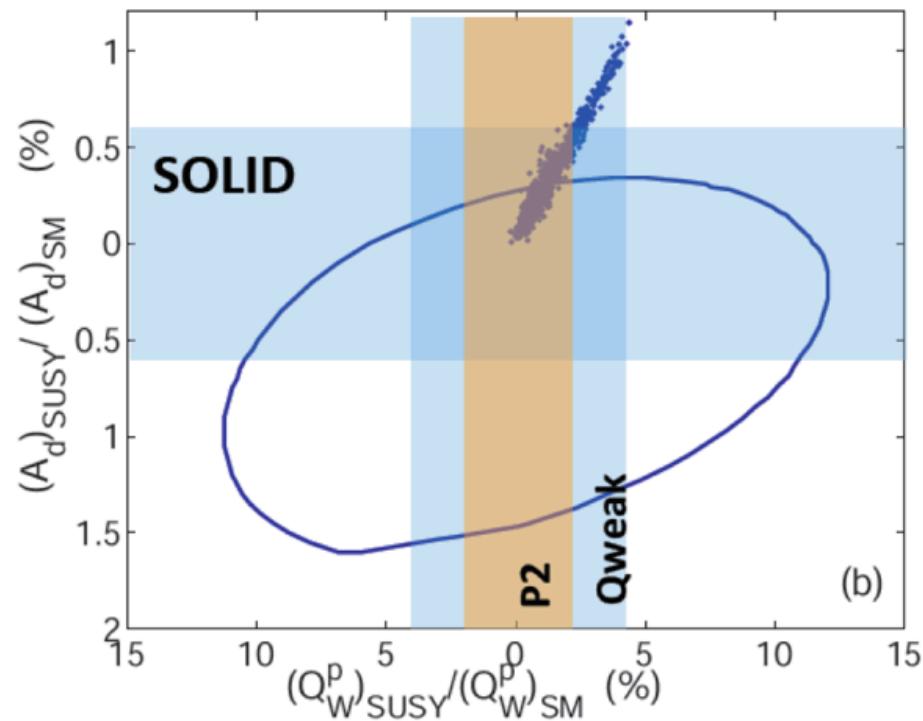
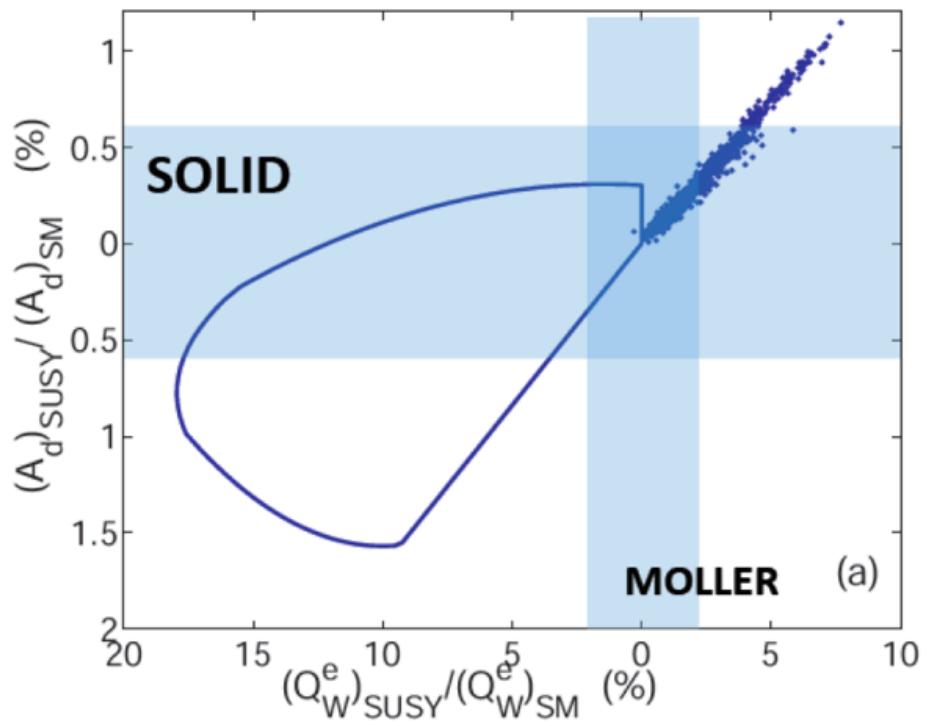


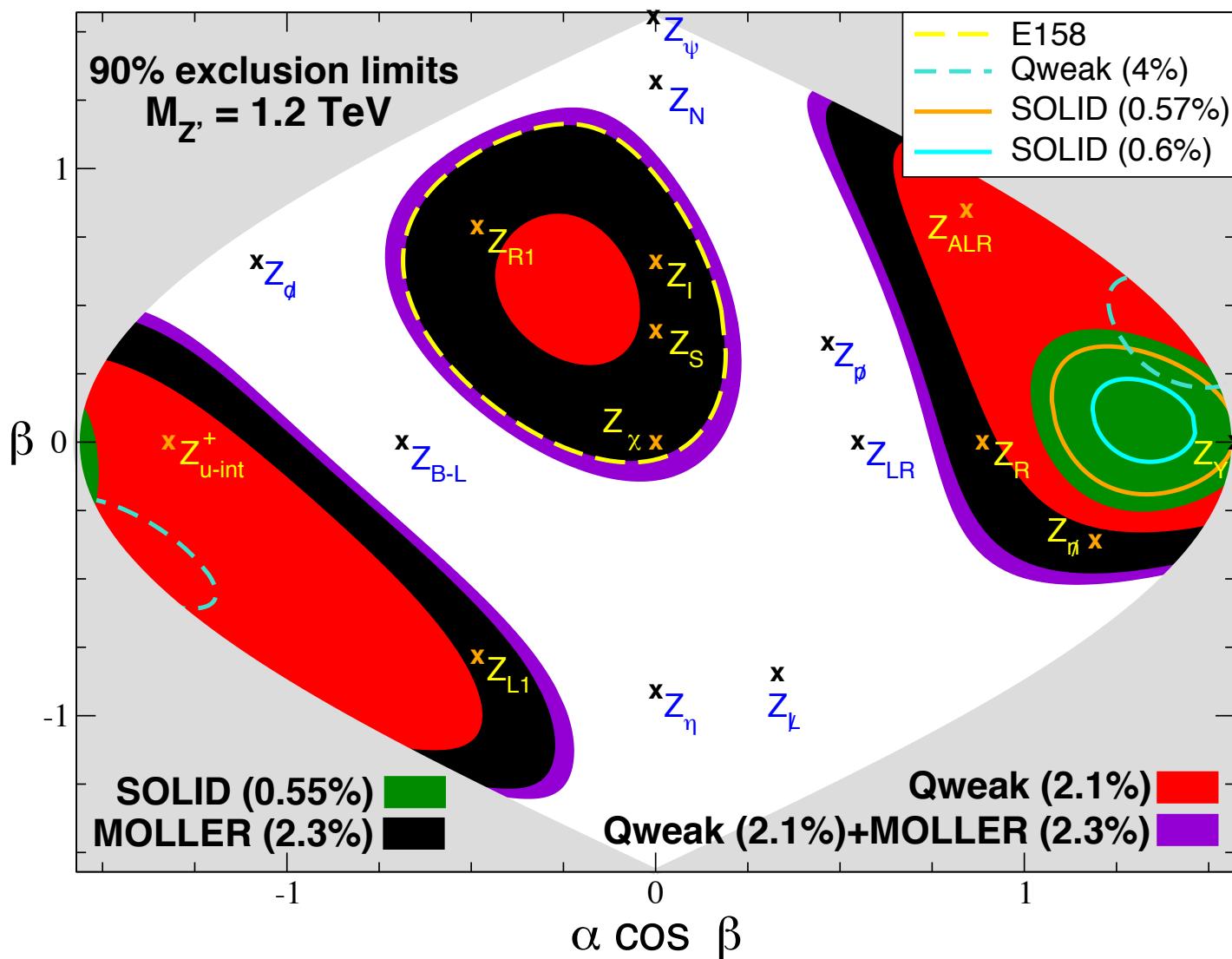
Example: supersymmetric Standard Model extensions





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







- Complementary access by weak charges of proton and electron

Weak charge of the proton:

$$Q_W^p = 0.0716$$

A horizontal line with a central dot and two vertical error bars extending to the left and right, labeled  $\pm 0.0029$ .

Weak charge of the electron:

$$Q_W^e = -0.0449$$

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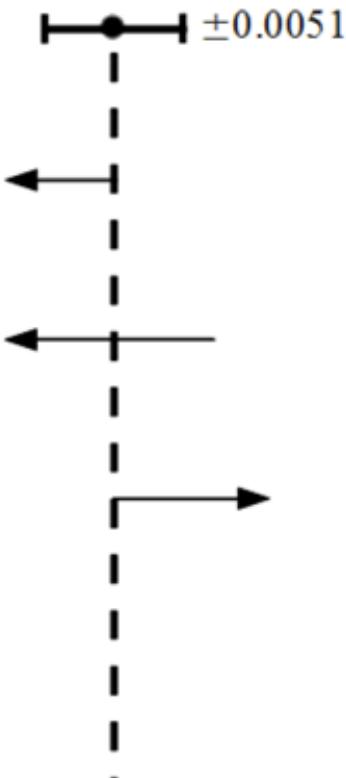
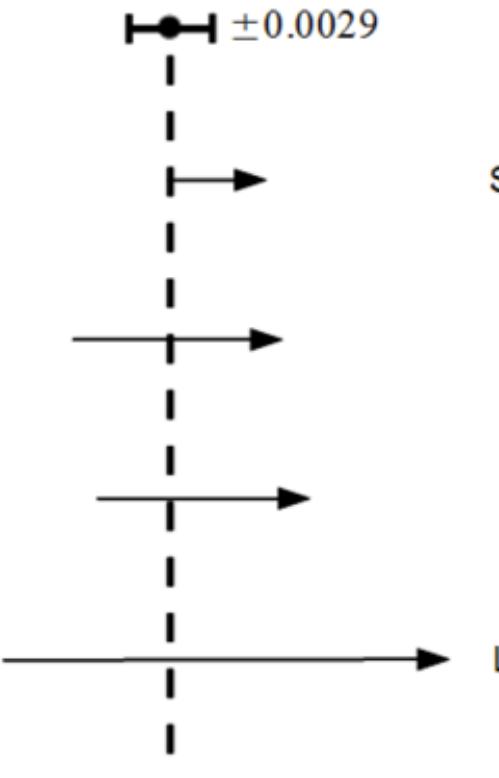
Experiment

SUSY-Loops

$E_6 Z'$

RPV SUSY

Leptoquarks



SM

(Jens Erler, Ramsey-Musolf, 2003)

SM



## New physics sensitivity from contact interaction

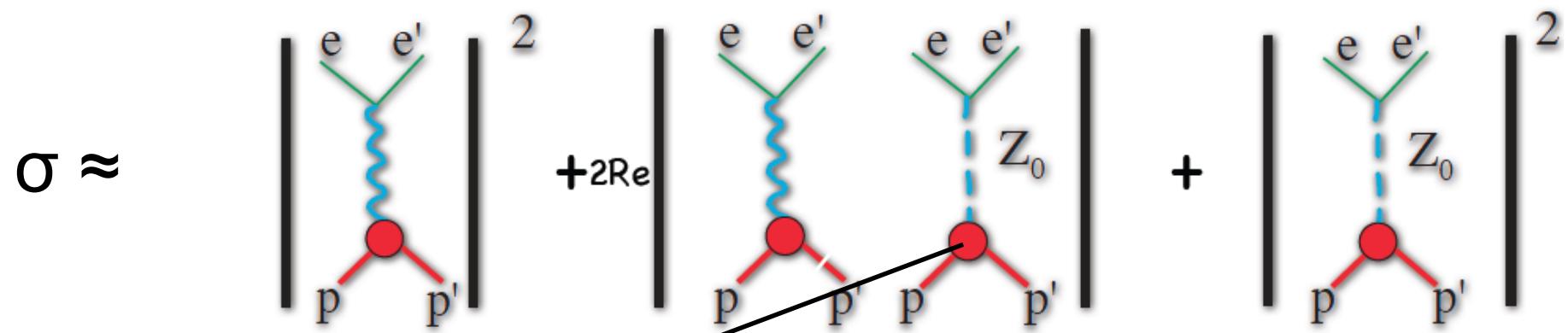
	precision	$\Delta \sin^2 \bar{\theta}_W(0)$	$\Lambda_{\text{new}} (\text{expected})$
APV Cs	0.58 %	0.0019	32.3 TeV
E158	14 %	0.0013	17.0 TeV
Qweak I	19 %	0.0030	17.0 TeV
Qweak final	4.5 %	0.0008	33 TeV
PVDIS	4.5 %	0.0050	7.6 TeV
SoLID	0.6 %	0.00057	22 TeV
MOLLER	2.3 %	0.00026	39 TeV
P2	2.0 %	0.00036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



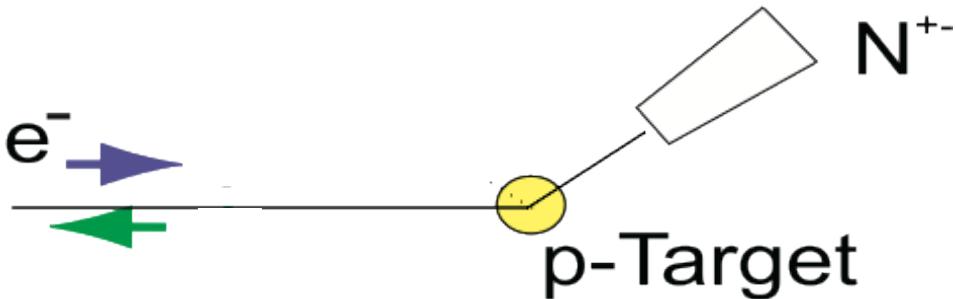
## Experimental Method



## Parity Violating Asymmetry in elastic electron proton scattering

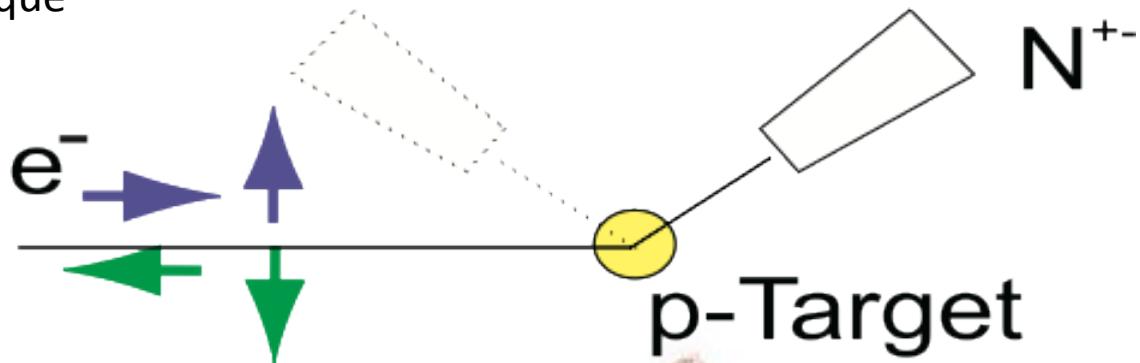


V-A coupling:  
parity-violating  
cross section asymmetry  $A_{LR}$   
longitudinally pol. electrons  
unpolarised protons





## Counting Technique

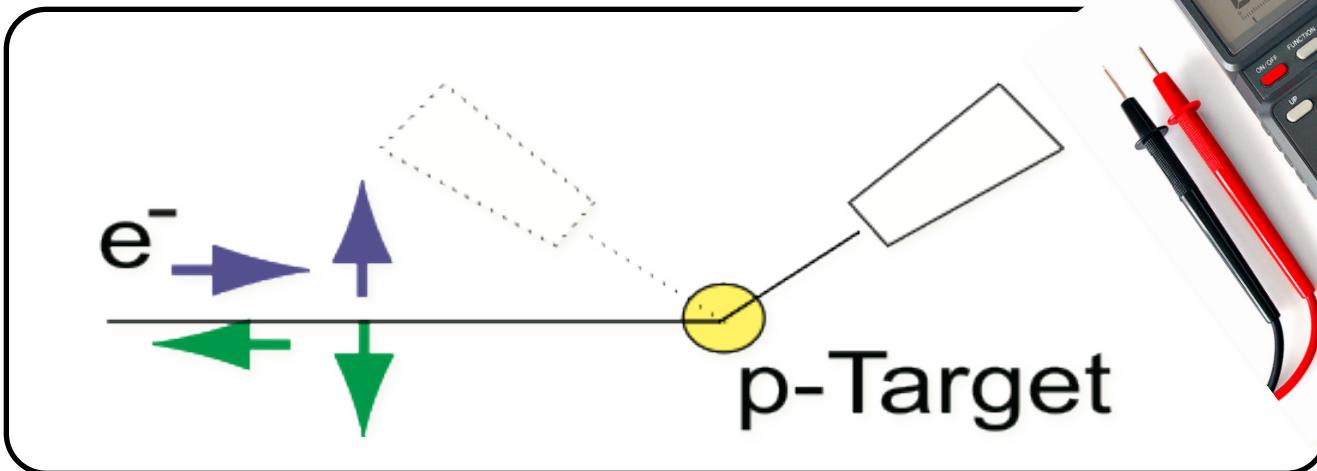


Count scattered electrons:

- 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



## Parity violating cross section asymmetry

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

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

weak charge

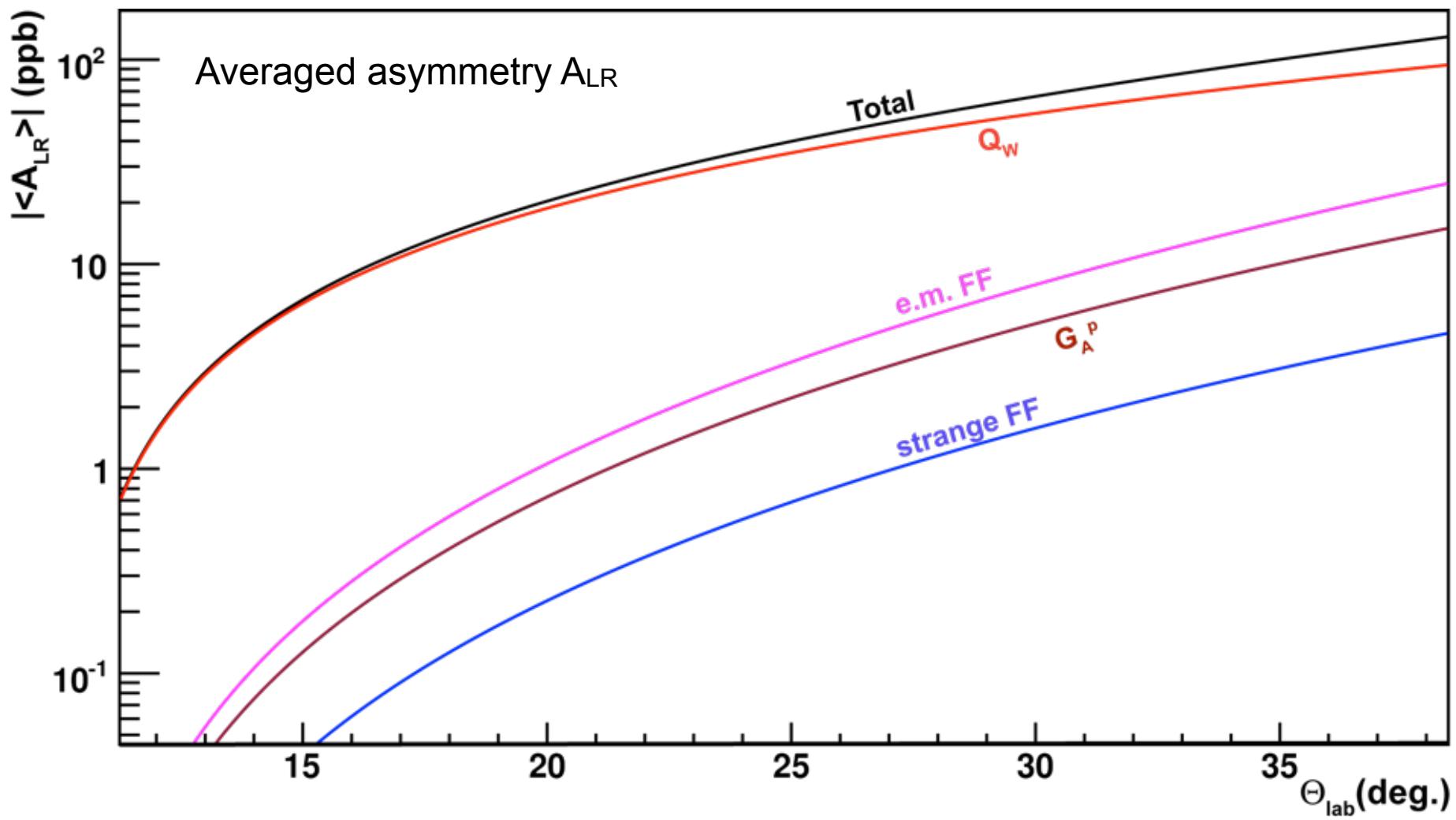
hadron structure

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

Important input from other projects (S1, S3)

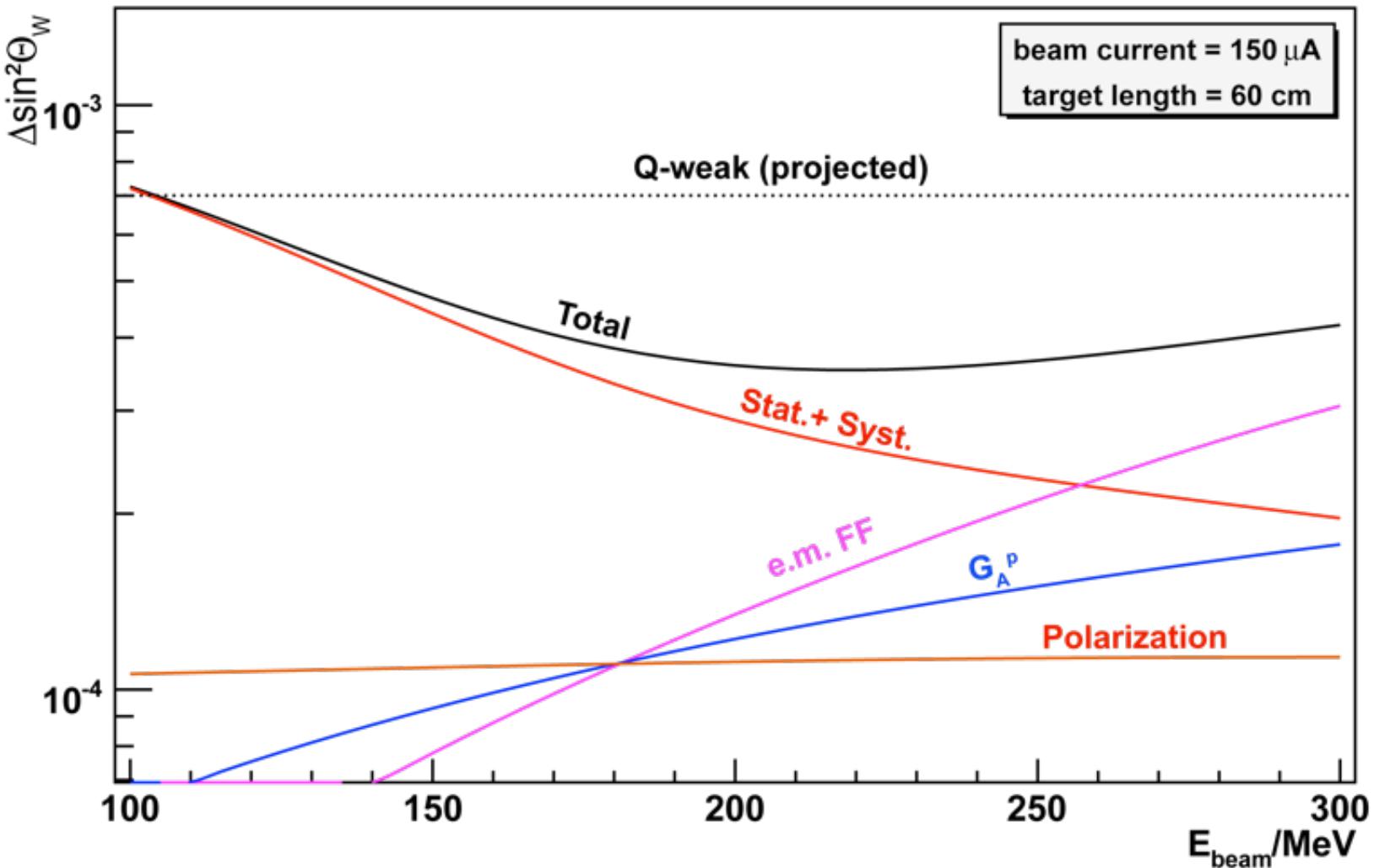


## Parity violating cross section asymmetry



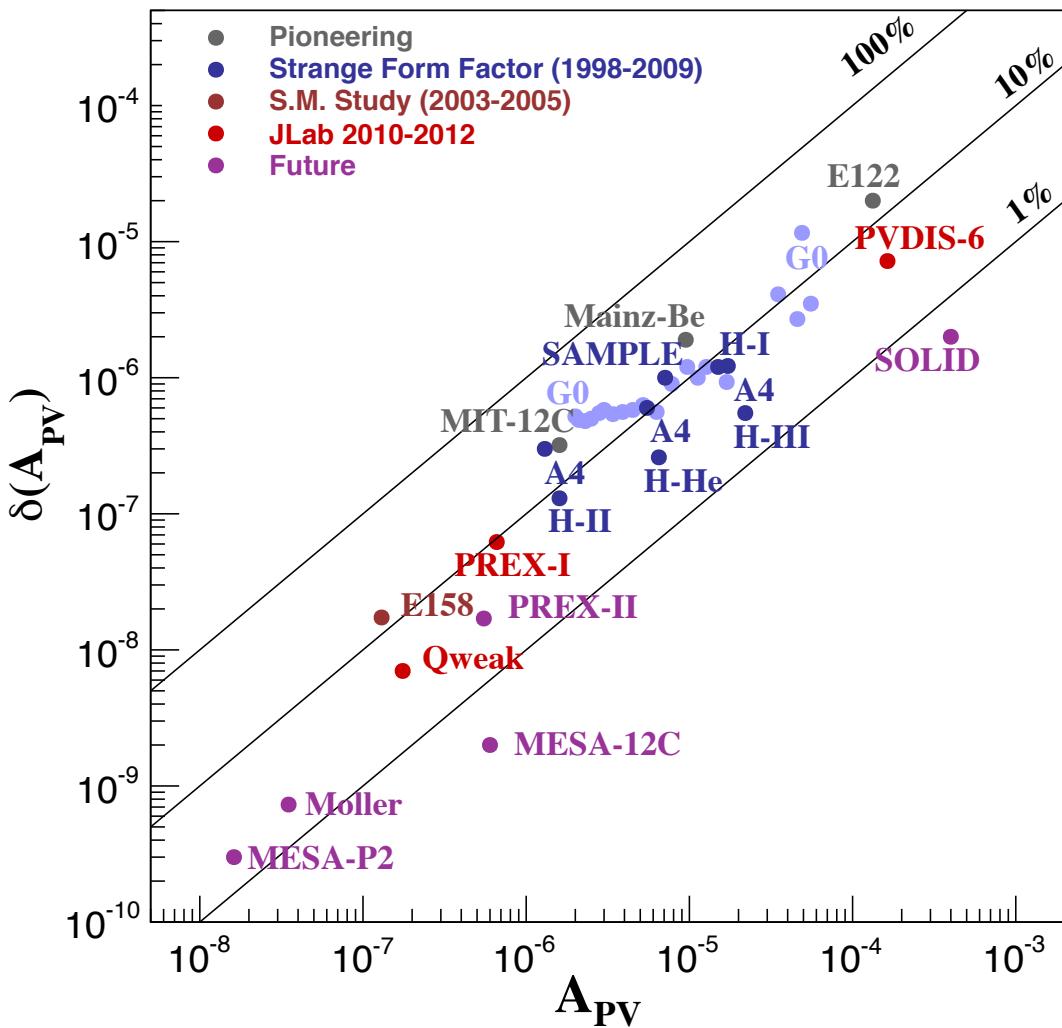


## Precision in Determination of $\sin^2 \theta_W$





## PVeS Experiment Summary





## Physics Reach

Roger Carlini (co-chair)

Frank Maas (co-chair)

Richard Milner (co-chair)

+ many conveners

P2 and “beyond”:

- Studied additional backward angle Measurement ( $G_A$ ,  $G_M^s$ ): S.Baunack

- Studied additional measurement on Carbon: K. Gerz

- Studied different beam energies: D. Becker

- Studied additional measurement in heavier nuclei (lead): C.Sfienti

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- Search for dark photons
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## 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)



Polarimetry (<0.5%)



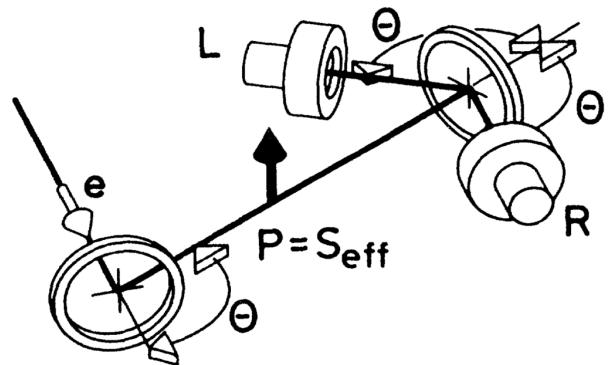
## The double scattering Mott polarimeter:

### Mott Polarimeter:

- Measuring left/right asymmetry to calculate spin polarisation
- Analysing power of target foils has to be extrapolated

### Double Scattering Polarimeter (DSP):

- Analysing power of the targets can be calculated directly from measurements
- Allows for higher precision measurement of spin polarisation
- Invasive polarimetry at the electron source



A. Gellrich and J. Kessler, Phys. Rev. A 43, 204 (1991)

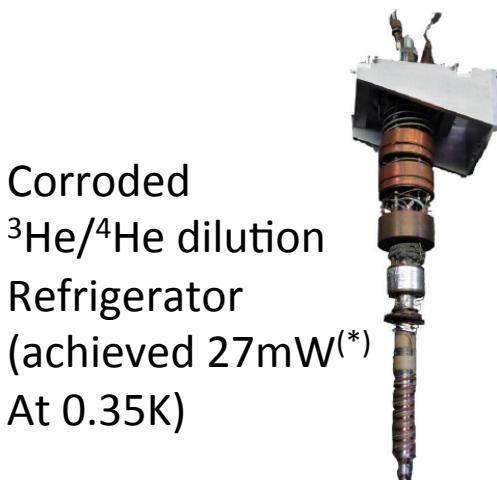


## Hydro Möller Polarimeter

The promise:(\*)

- **Hydro-Möller: Atomic trap with completely electron-spin polarized Hydrogen**
- **Online capability, high accuracy (<0.5%)**
- **Statistical efficiency approaches 0.5% in 2 hours (Target:  $3 \times 10^{-16} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ )**
- **Acceptance similar to conventional Möller**

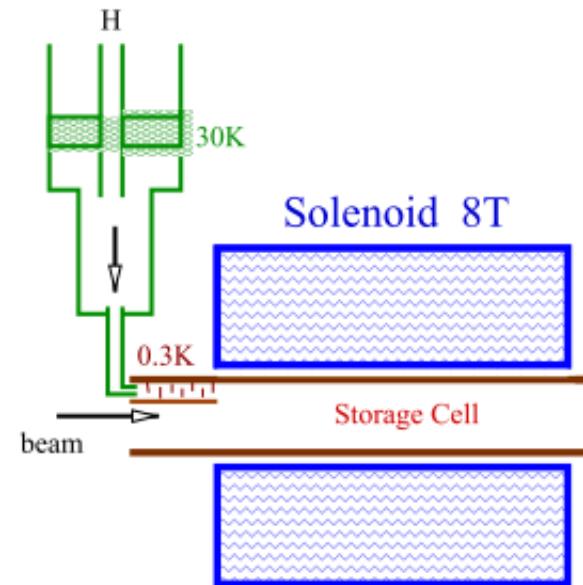
(\*)E. Chudakov, V. Luppov: IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sc. 51, 1533 (2004)



Corroded  
 $^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$  dilution  
Refrigerator  
(achieved 27mW<sup>(\*)</sup>  
At 0.35K)



Solenoid (Beam) axis



Complete trap with 77mm diam.  
Cold bore 7T Solenoid  
 $\Delta B/B < 10^{-5}$  (1cm<sup>3</sup> Volume)<sup>(\*\*)</sup>

(<sup>\*</sup>): T. Roser et. al. NIM A 301 42-46 (1990)

(<sup>\*\*</sup>): W. Kaufmann et. al. NIM A 335 17-25 (1993)

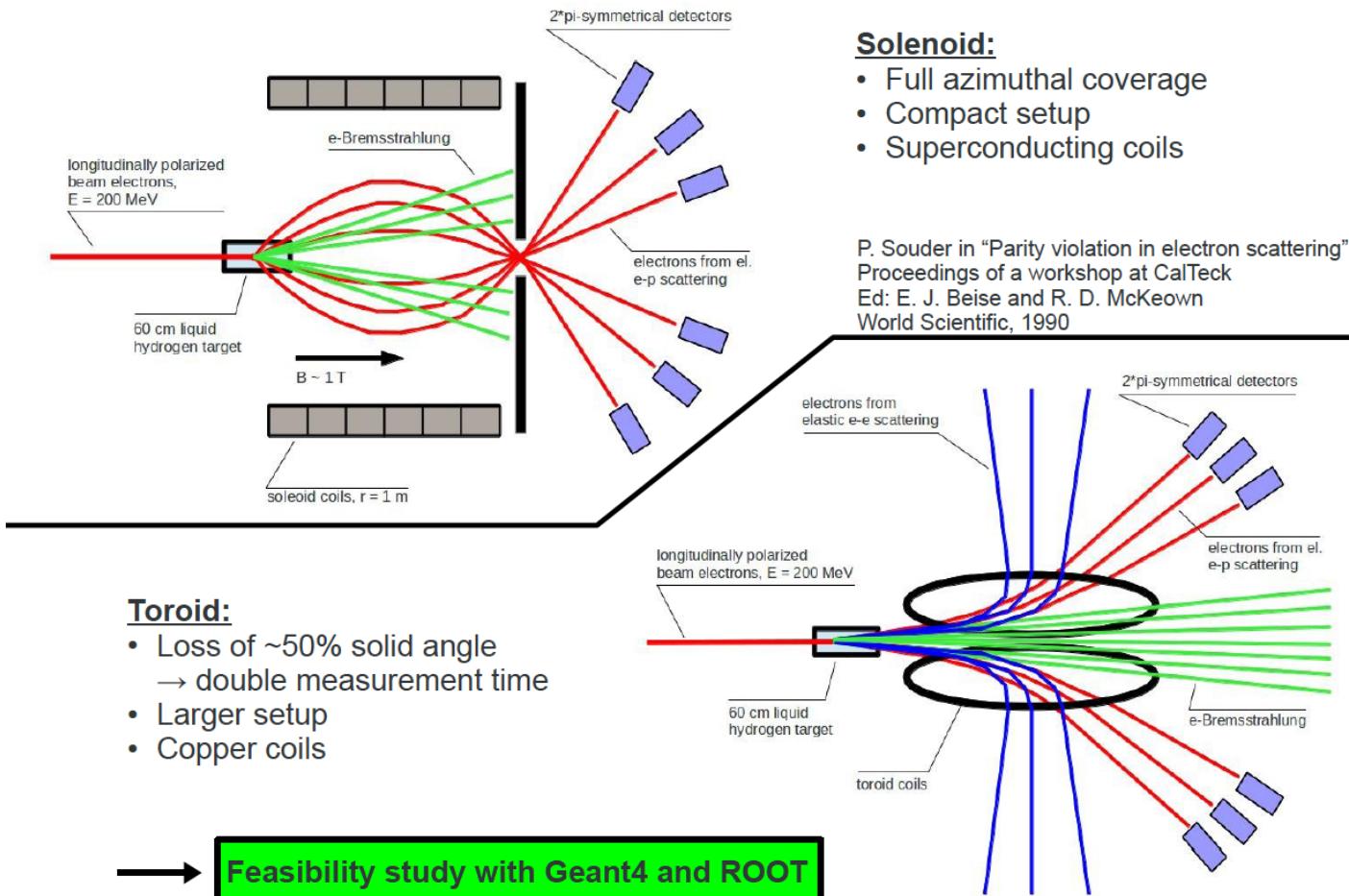


## Detector Concept



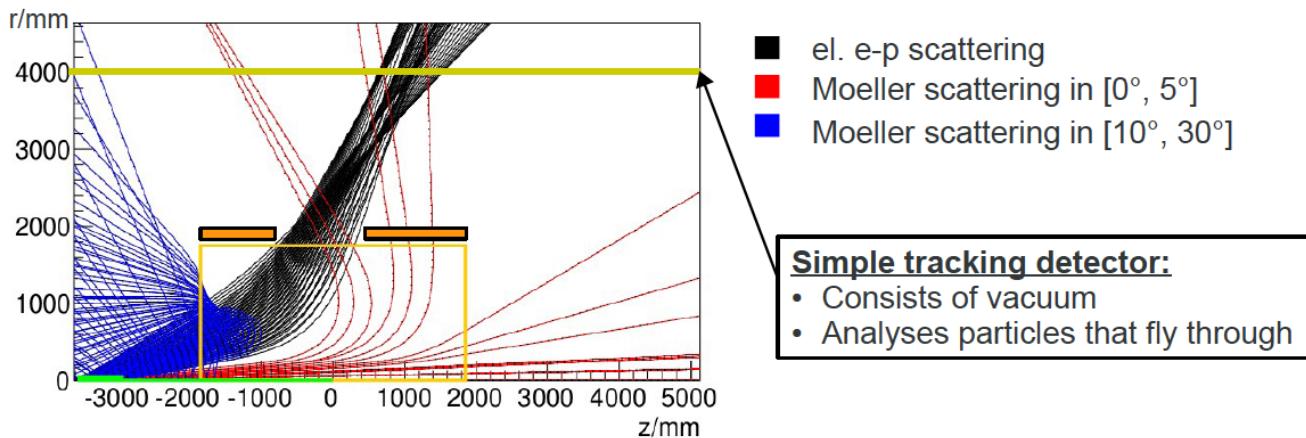
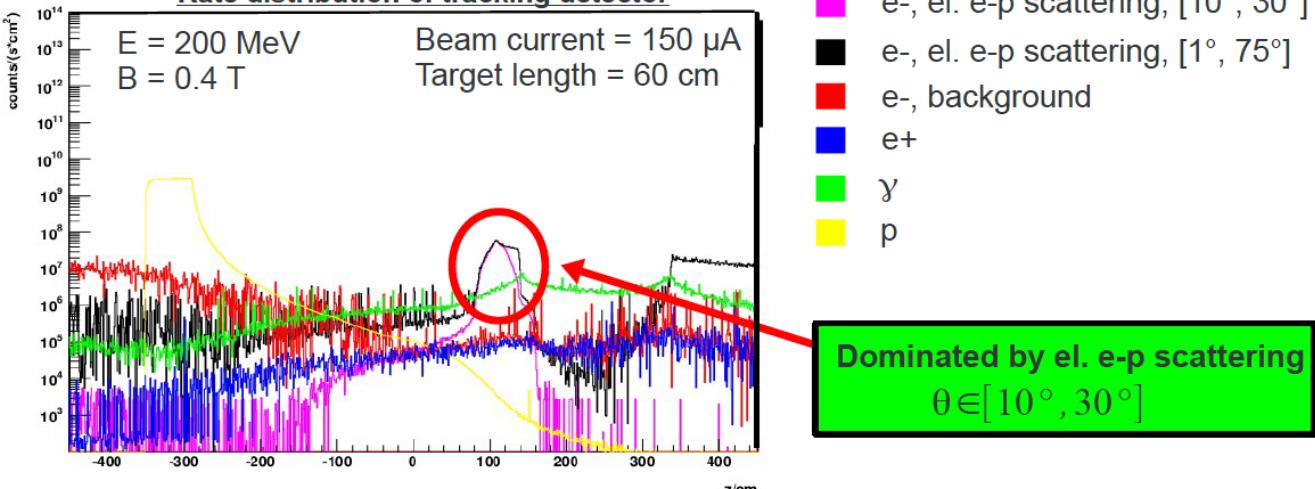
## Experiment Design Simulations: What Magnetic field configuration can we use?

### Weapon of choice: Solenoid or Toroid?





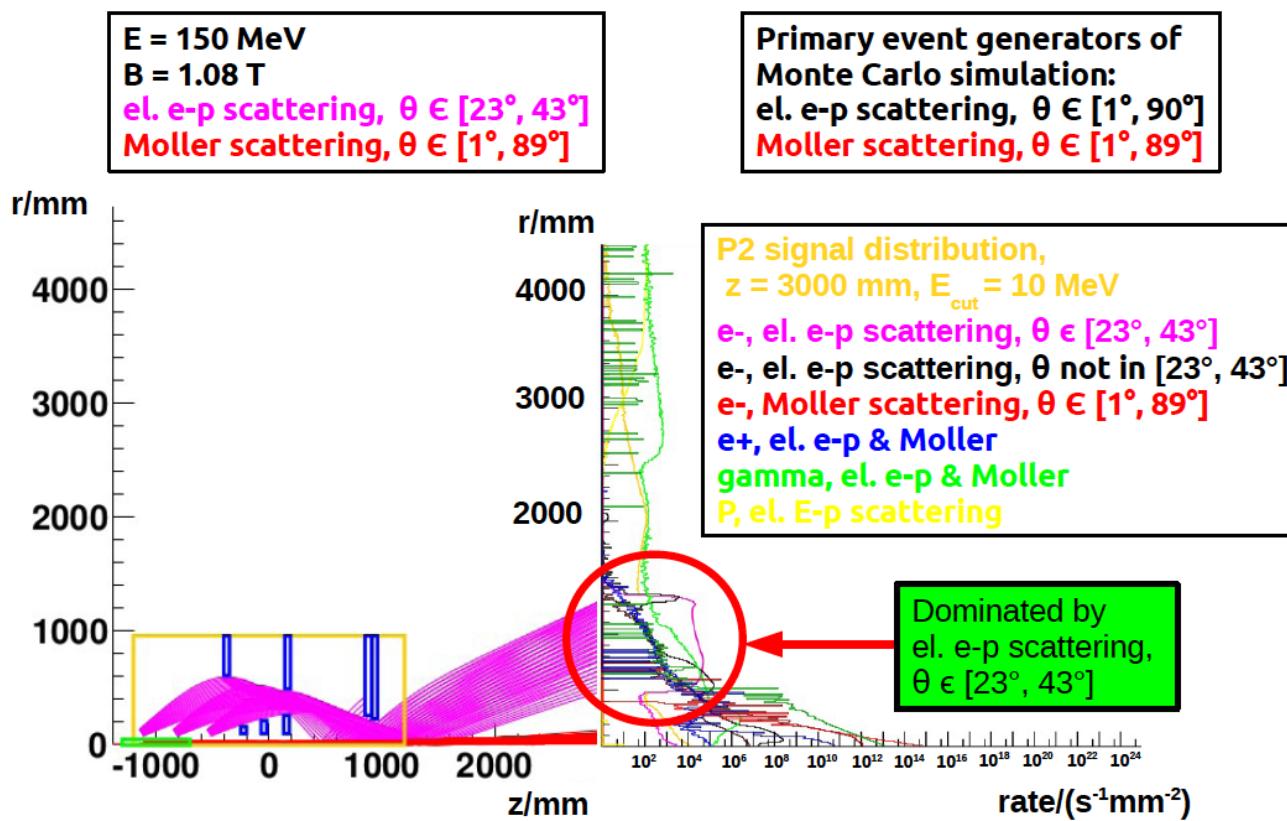
## Experiment Design Simulations: Toroid possible!

Toroid full simulationRate distribution of tracking detector



## Experiment Design Simulations: Solenoid possible!

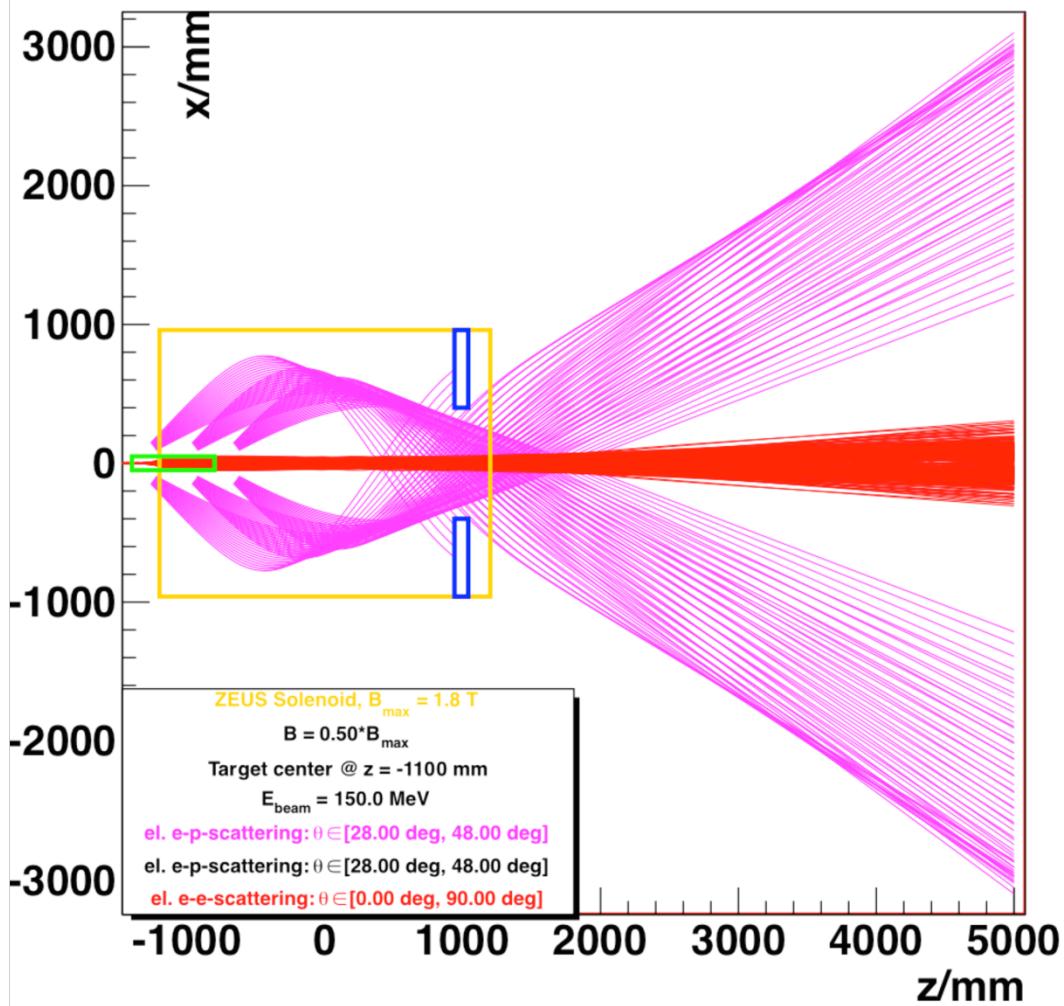
Geant 4 simulation: Tracking in the magnetic field





## Experiment Design Simulations: Solenoid possible!

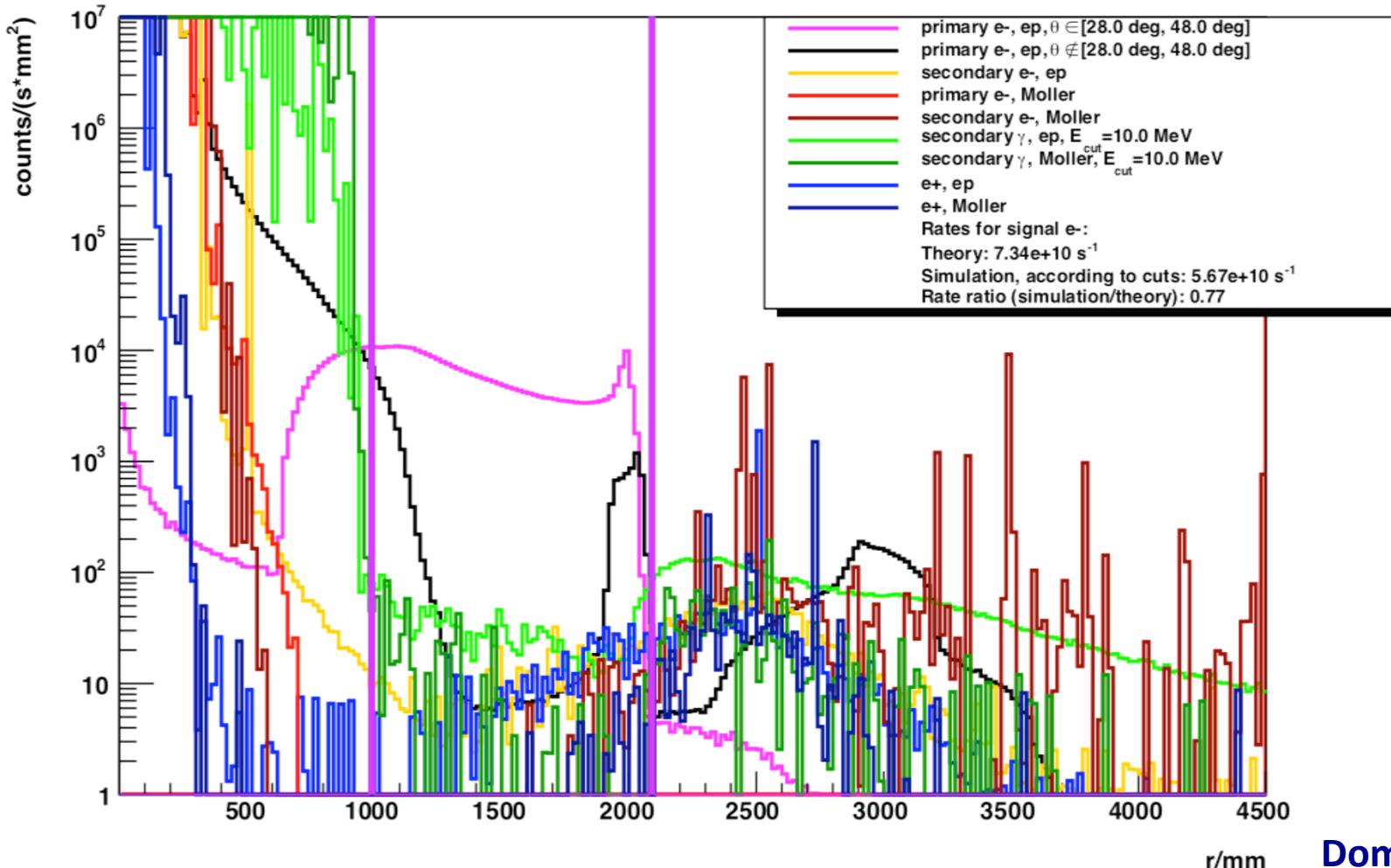
## Projection of electron trajectories





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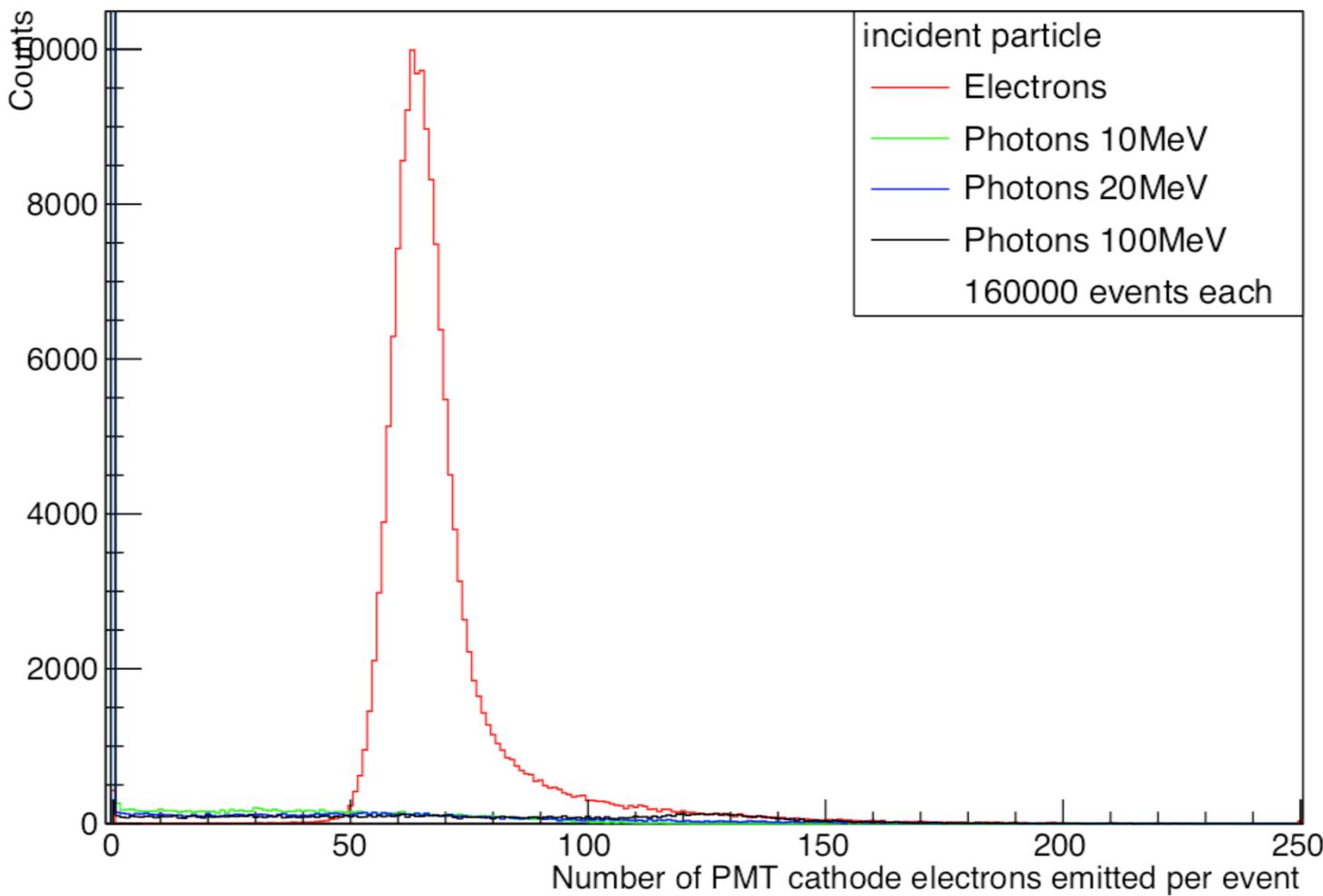
Rate distribution in tracking detector nb 1 @ z = 3500 mm





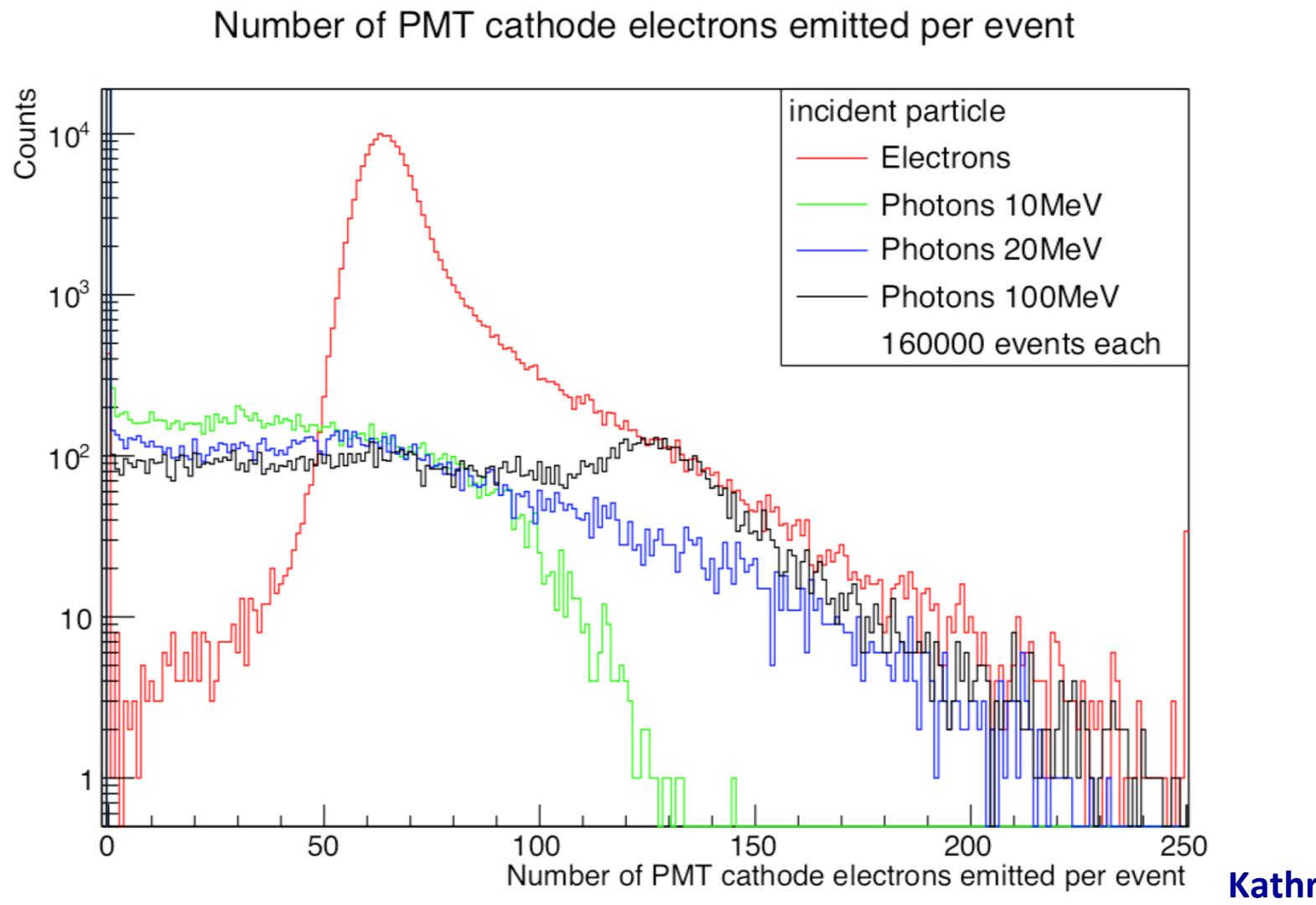
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Number of PMT cathode electrons emitted per event



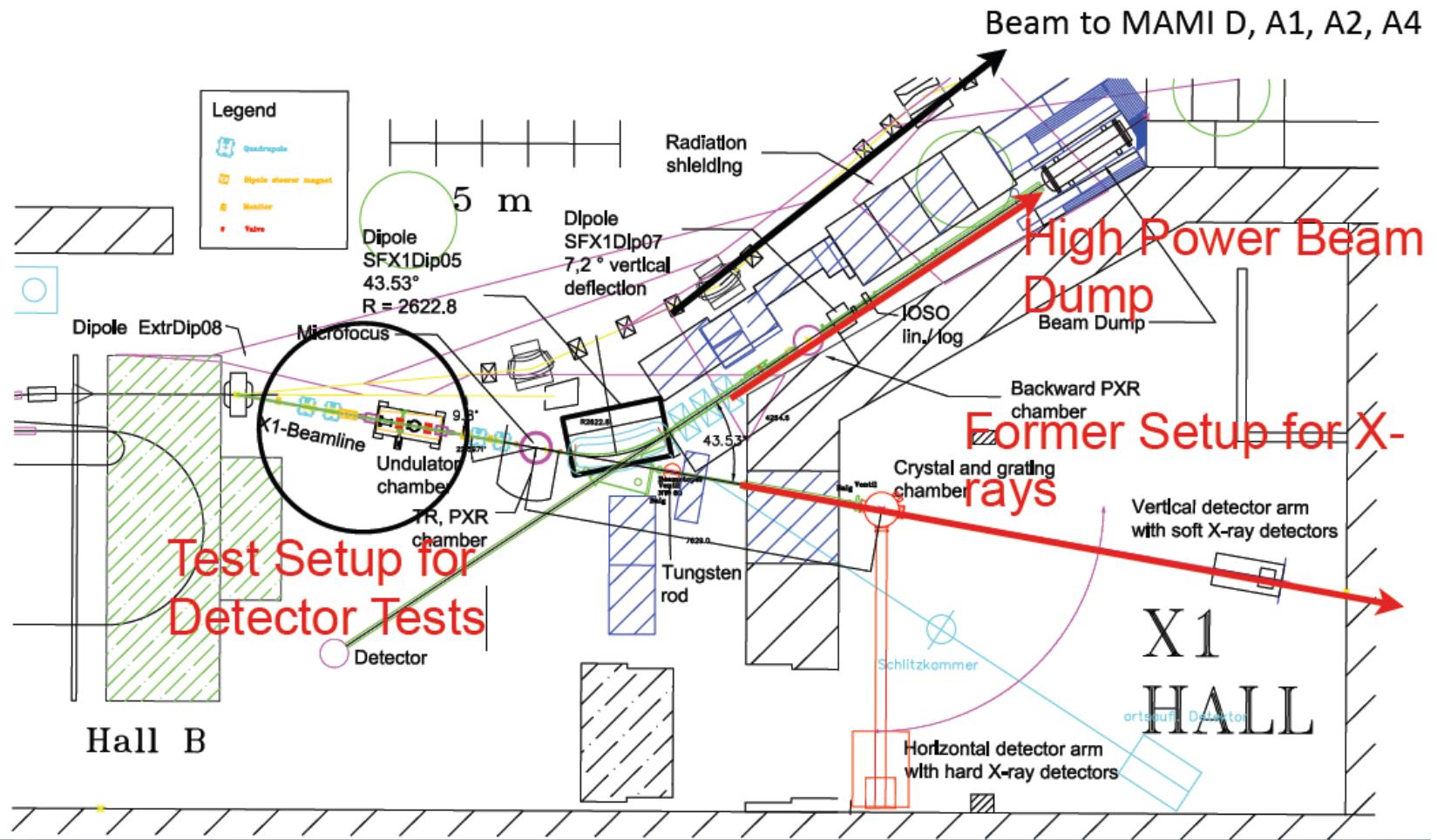


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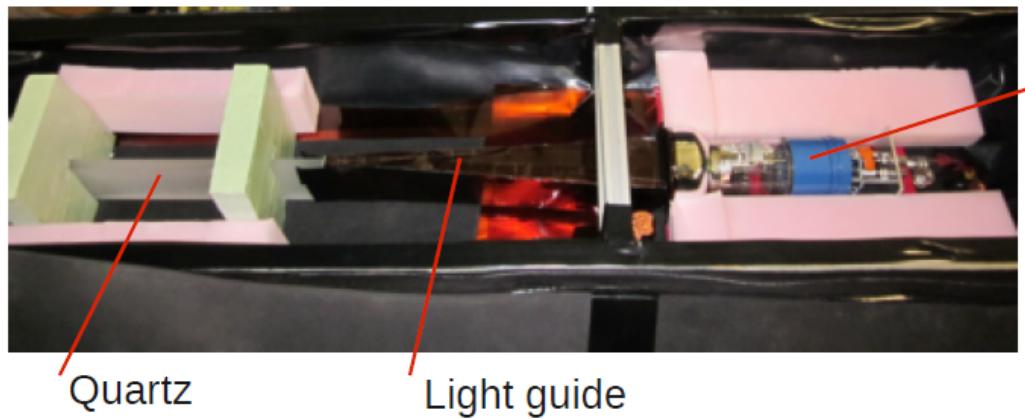


## First detector prototype tests

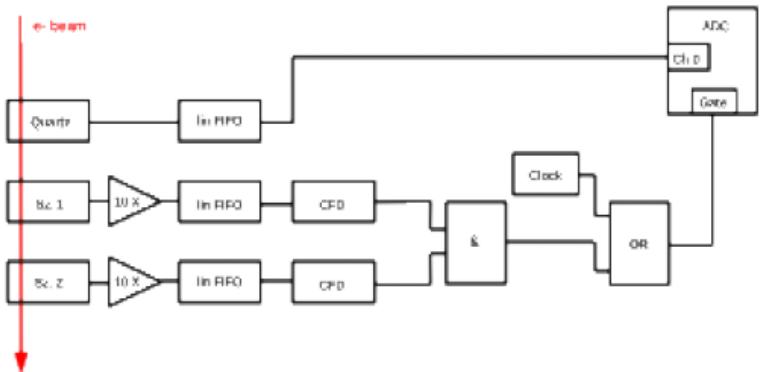




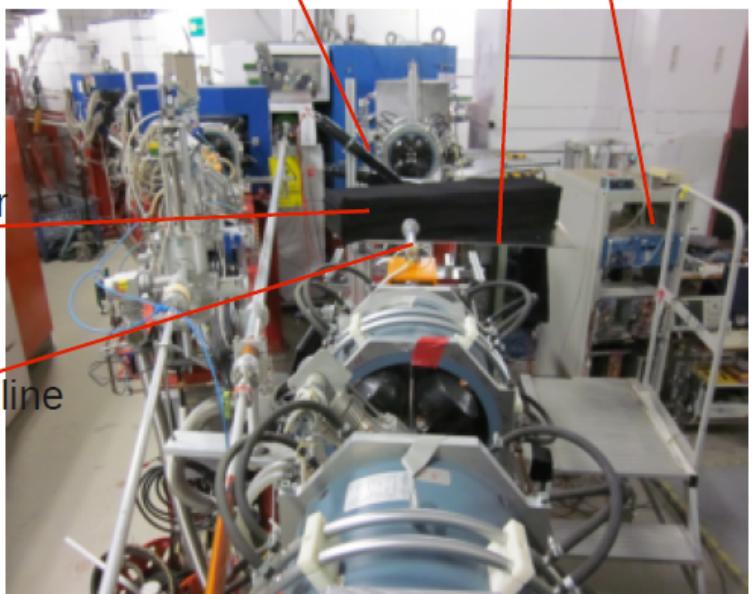
## First detector prototype tests



Photomultiplier tube



Detector



Triggers

Translation table

DAQ



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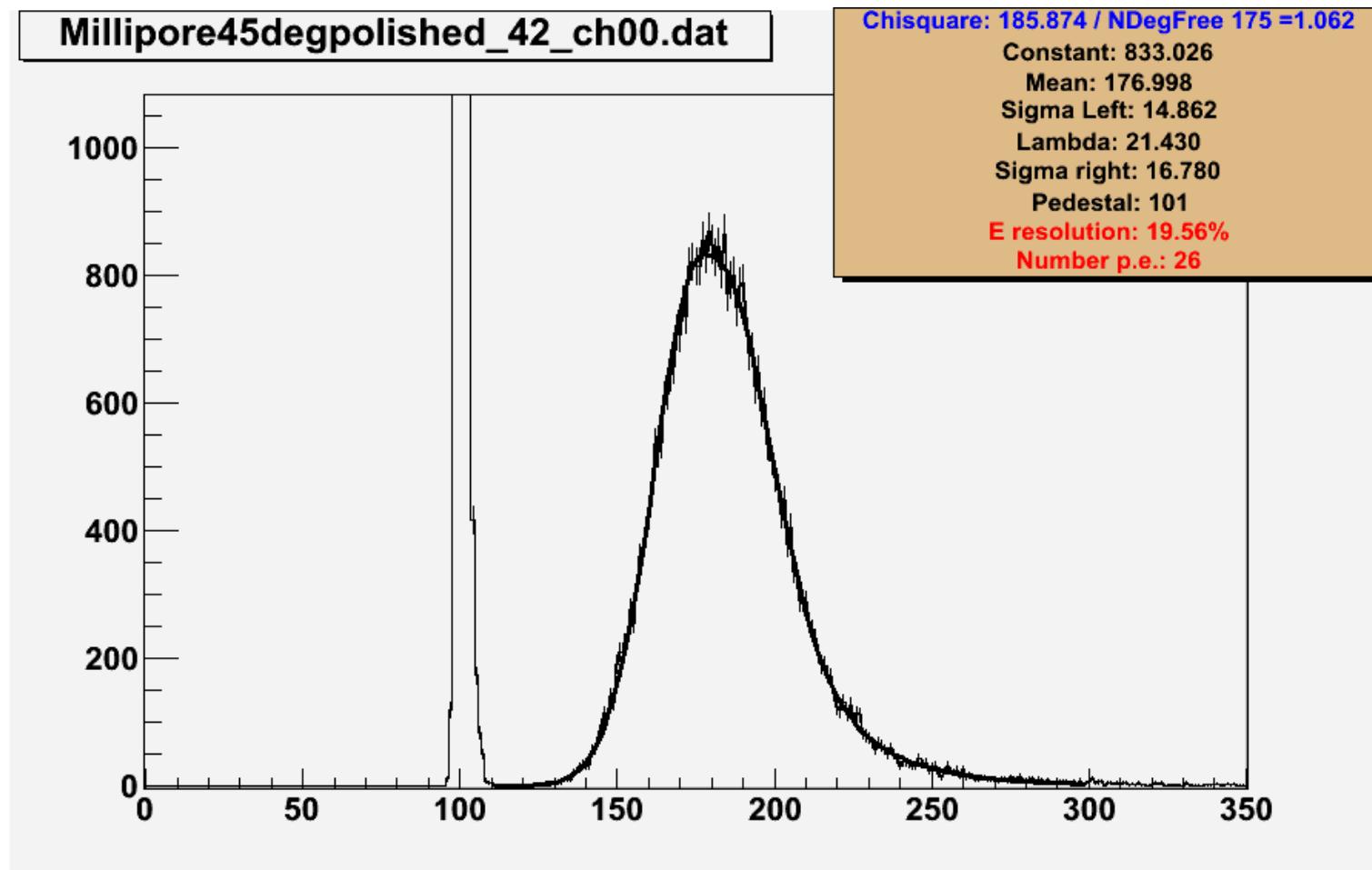
About 100 runs taken  
Variation of

- Flame polished/unpolished
- Wrapping
- Light guide material
- Impact positions
- Orientation

Setup	Varying parameter
Spectrosil 2000 polished Wrapped with Alanod Light guide: Alanod	Different impact positions horizontal, vertical <b>In total 25 runs</b>
Spectrosil 2000 polished Wrapped with Millipore Light guide: Alanod	Different angles <b>In total 15 runs</b>
Spectrosil 2000 unpolished Light guide: Alanod	Unwrapped, Wrapped 45°, 90° <b>In total 6 runs</b>
Spectrosil 2000 polished Wrapped with Millipore Lightguide: Mylar	Different angles <b>In total 12 runs</b>
Spectrosil 2000 polished Wrapped with Alanod No Lightguide	Different impact positions <b>In total 19 runs</b>
Spectrosil 2000 polished Wrapped with Mylar No Lightguide	Different impact positions <b>In total 9 runs</b>
Spectrosil 2000 polished Wrapped with Millipore No lightguide	Different impact positions Different angles <b>In total 13 runs</b>

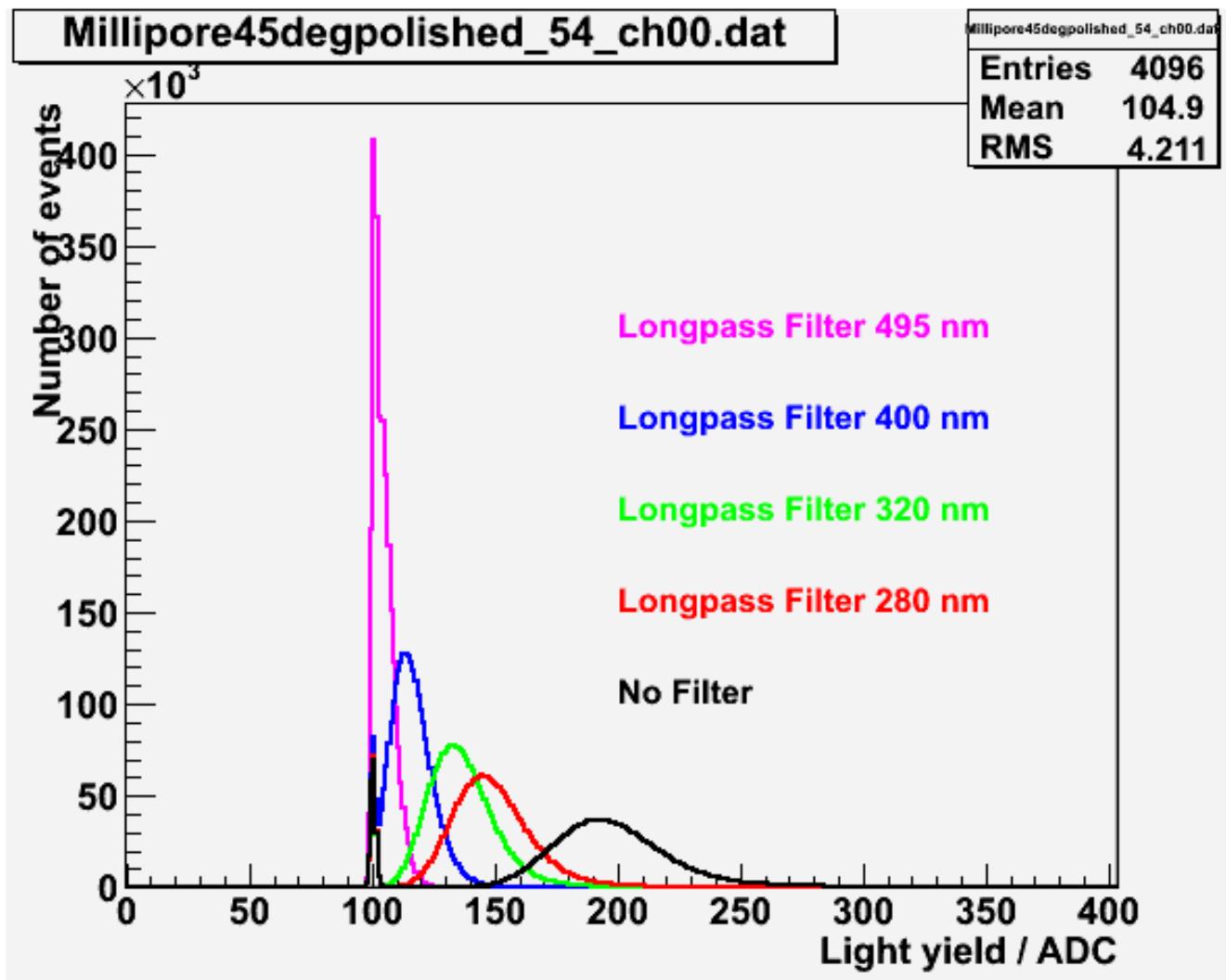


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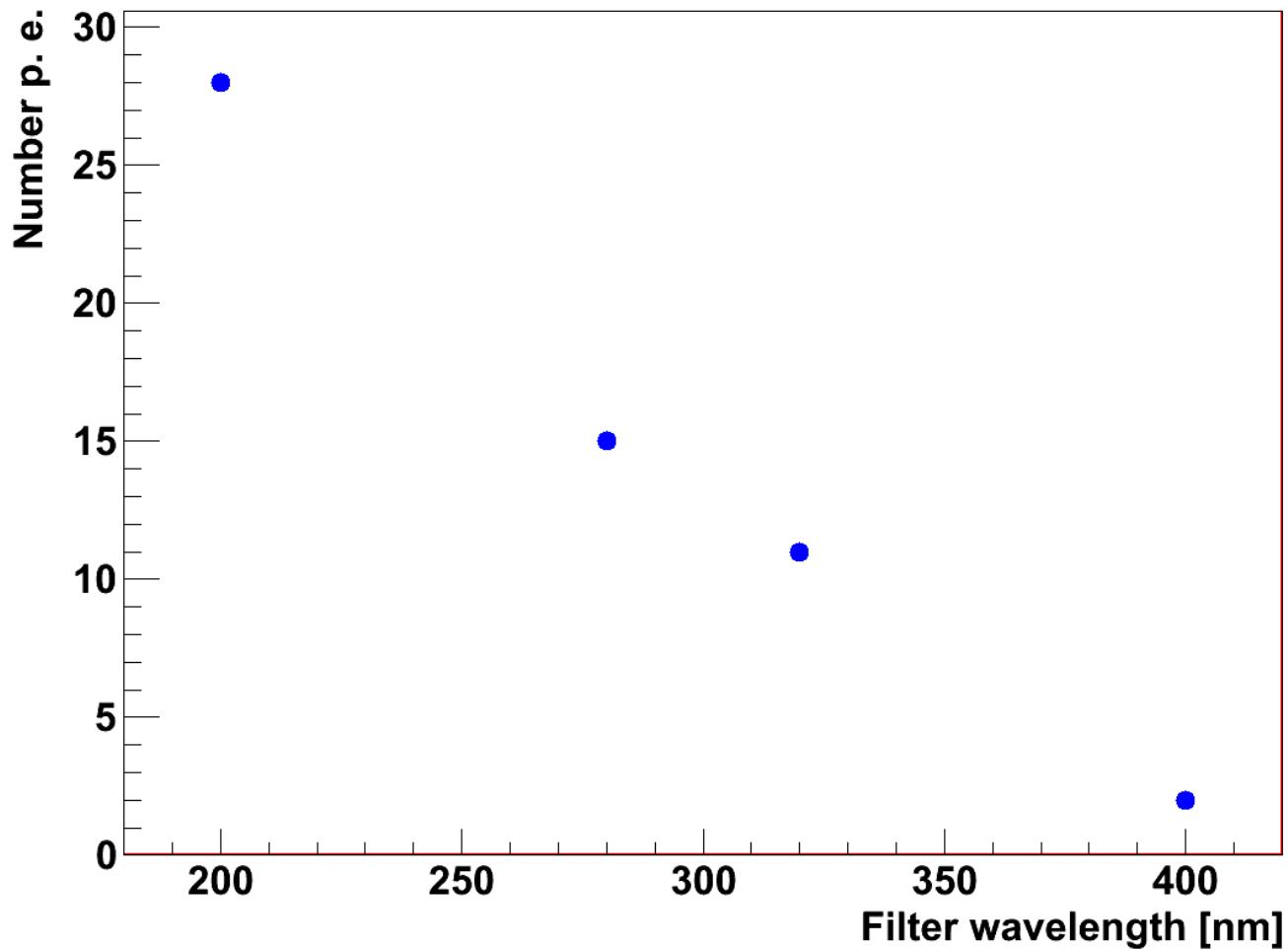
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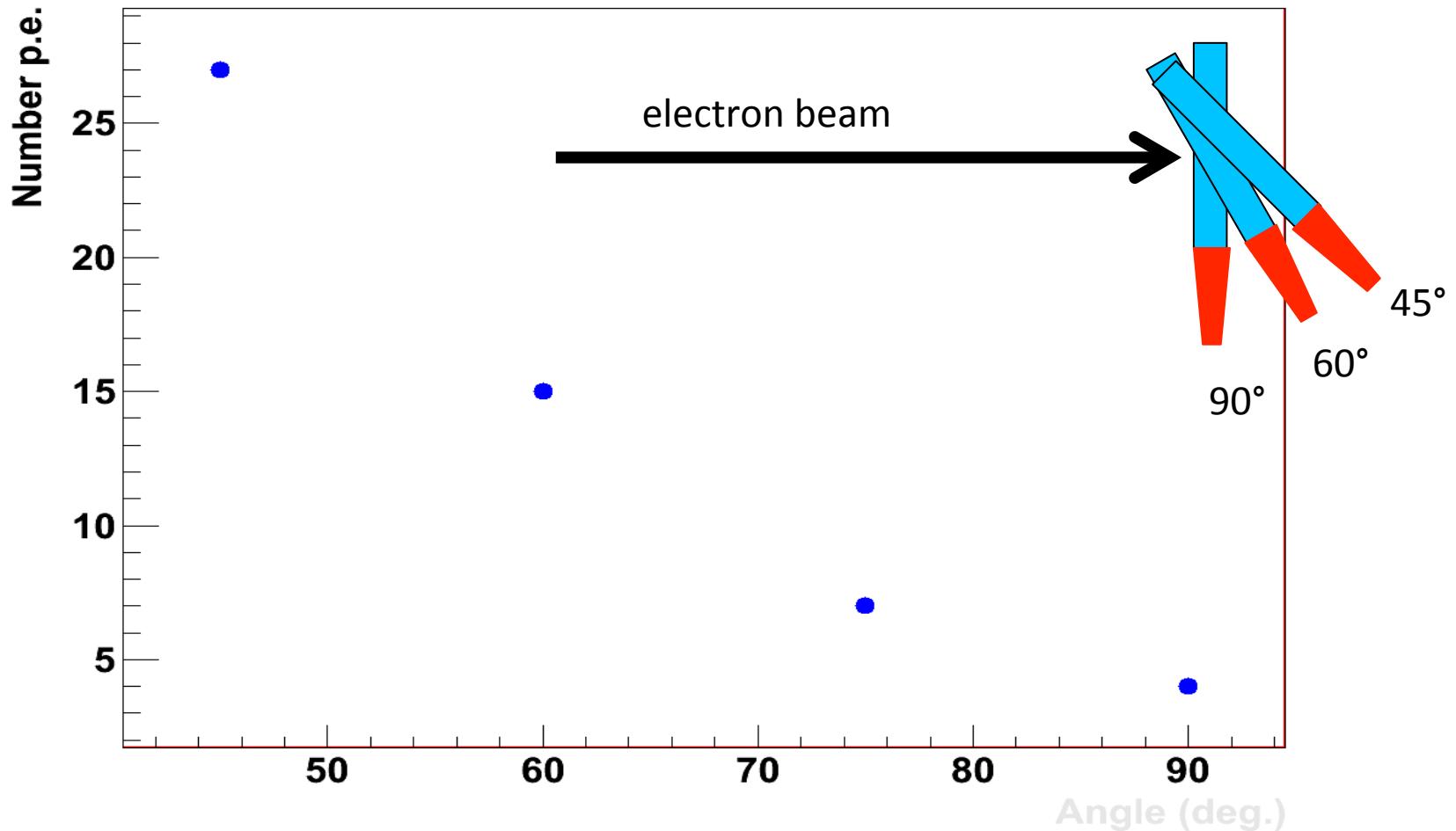
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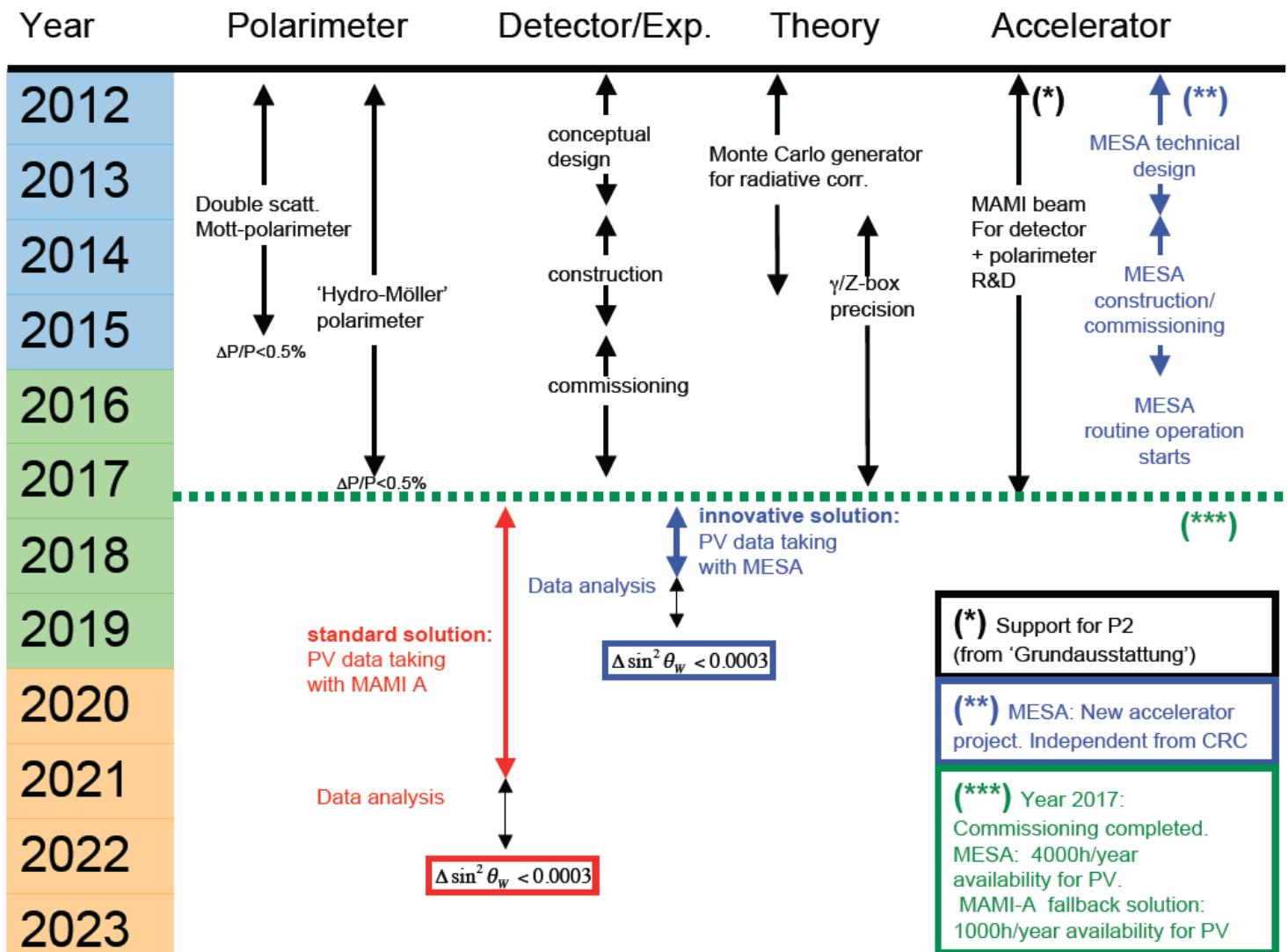
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Angle scan - Lightguide Mylar - Millipore wrapped





## Timeline P2





## Conclusions:

$\sin^2(\theta_W)$  important parameter of the standard model  
measure through weak charge of the proton

Precise determination important for test of standard model on the two loop level,  
sensitivity to new physics

Theory: Work in Progress to calculate Box-graphs, EM-radiative corrections,  
Hadronic Contributions, Running

Polarimetry/Beam diagnosis: Project defined, Solenoid usable,  ${}^3\text{He}/{}^4\text{He}$ -mixture cryostat to  
be renewed, Double Scattering Polarimeter has first data.

Experiment Design Simulations: Solenoid will work

First Beam Tests: Test of detector materials and PMTs: Already light output sufficient!

Ready to form international collaboration  
(Almost) Ready to design the experiment