

Measurement of  $G_E^n/G_M^n$  by the  
Double Polarised  $^2\text{H}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{n})$  Reaction  
Proposal PR12-17-004 to PAC 45

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# PAC Response to LOI12-15-003

(the precursor to PR12-17-004)

**Issues:** The TAC raised a number of issues including high rate for the DAQ and backgrounds in the neutron arm. The proposed method in general is the same as what is proposed in the already approved E12-11-009, and the proposed improvement in the FOM of the recoil neutron polarimeter if demonstrated will benefit E12-11-009. There is also an approved Experiment E12-09-016 using a polarized  $^3\text{He}$  target which allows for an extraction of the neutron electric form factor in excess of  $Q^2=10 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$ . While the PAC believes in the importance of extending the GnE determination from the deuteron to a  $Q^2$  value comparable to that of E12-09-016, the PAC does not believe there should be parallel efforts in pursuing the same experimental technique.

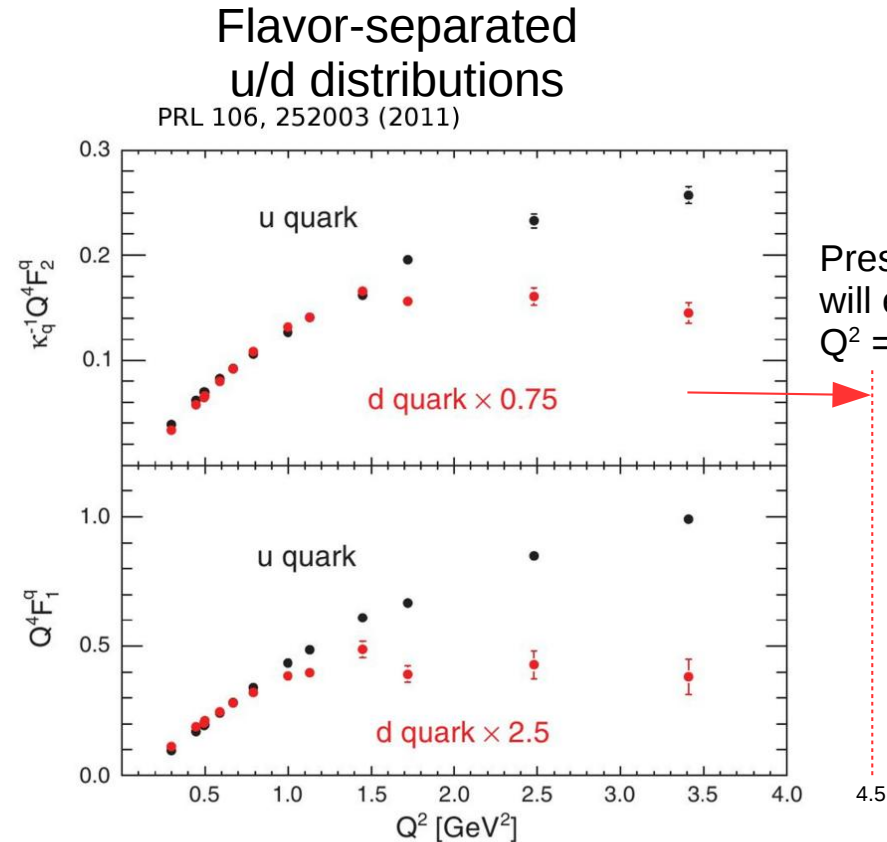
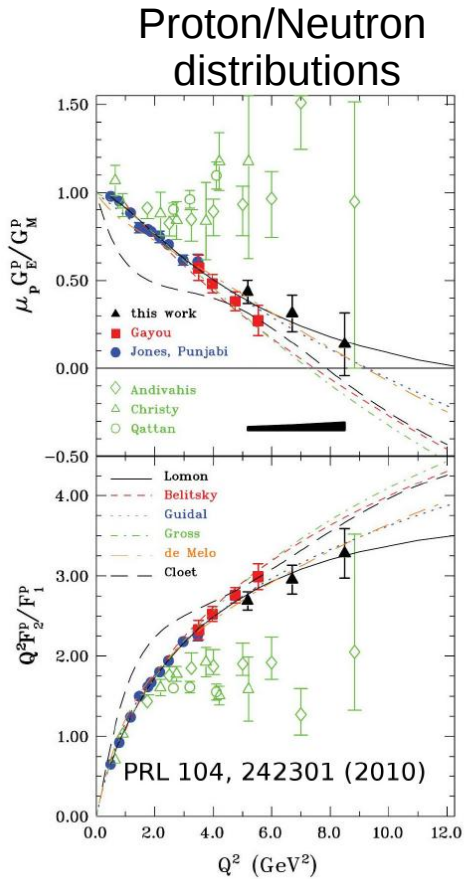
**Recommendation:** The proponents are encouraged to work with the lab management and the E12-11-009 collaboration to improve the FOM of the recoil neutron polarimeter in order to optimize the measurements using the already approved beam time of E12-11-009.

- Discussions with CGEN group who proposed E12-11-009  
B. Sawatzky and M. Kohl have joined PR12-17-004 as co-spokespersons  
W. Tireman has joined PR12-17-004 as collaborator
- Request 100 hr for 1 data point @  $Q^2 = 4.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$   
Identical kinematics to  $Q^2 = 4.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2 G_{Mn} / G_{Mp}$  point (SBS experiment E12-09-019)
- Configure SBS neutron polarimeter to measure both  $np \rightarrow pn$  and  $np \rightarrow np$  scattering channels...include detectors for large-angle, low-momentum protons, additional to small-angle, high-momentum proton detector
- Compare polarimetry FoM  $np \rightarrow np$  and  $np \rightarrow pn$   
Use results to optimize polarimetry at higher  $Q^2$  (up to  $9.3 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$ )

# The Need for $G_{En}/G_{Mn}$ Data at Higher $Q^2$

- In terms of  $Q^2$  range and precision, neutron measurements still lag way behind proton measurements
- For measurements in space-like domain at medium-high  $Q^2$  JLab is the only viable lab. Quasi-elastic electron scattering from neutron in  $^2\text{H}$ ,  $^3\text{He}$ ...
- Double polarised experiments since ~ 1990  
Better access to relatively small  $G_{En}$  (compared to  $G_{Mn}$ )  
Low sensitivity to possible two-photon exchange effects  
(viz. different  $G_{Ep}/G_{Mp}$  from Rosenbluth and double polarized experiments)
- JLab: E12-09-016  $G_{En}/G_{Mn}$  with polarized electron beam &  $^3\text{He}$  target up to  $Q^2$  of  $\sim 10$   $(\text{GeV}/c)^2$
- Independent verification of results necessary... alternative method with polarized electron beam, unpolarized  $^2\text{H}$  target and polarimeter to measure polarisation transfer to recoiling neutron.
- QE signal much cleaner with  $^2\text{H}$  target compared to  $^3\text{He}$
- $^2\text{H}$  experiment should, as far as possible, match kinematic range and precision of  $^3\text{He}$  experiment.
- Up to now no recoil polarimetry measurement at  $Q^2 > 1.5$   $(\text{GeV}/c)^2$

# Scaling of EM Form Factors



$$G_E = F_1 - \tau F_2 \quad G_M = F_1 + F_2 \quad F_{1,2}^u(Q^2) = F_{1,2}^n + 2F_{1,2}^p \quad F_{1,2}^d(Q^2) = 2F_{1,2}^n + F_{1,2}^p$$

Most cited JLab publication: M.Jones et al., PRL 84(2000),1398

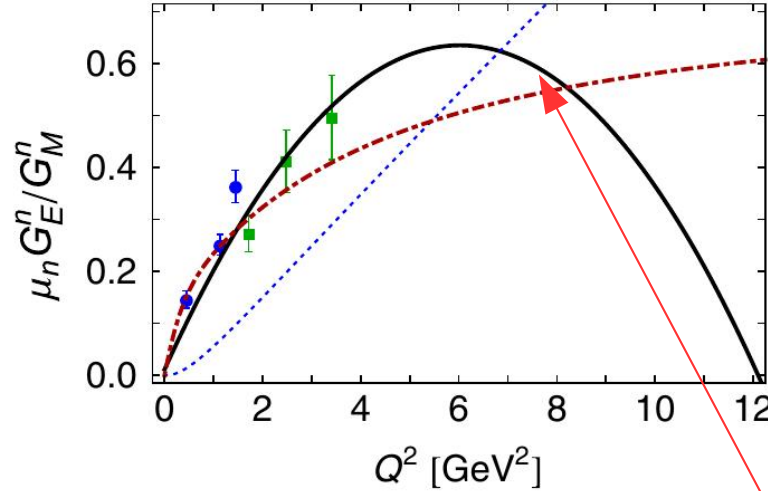
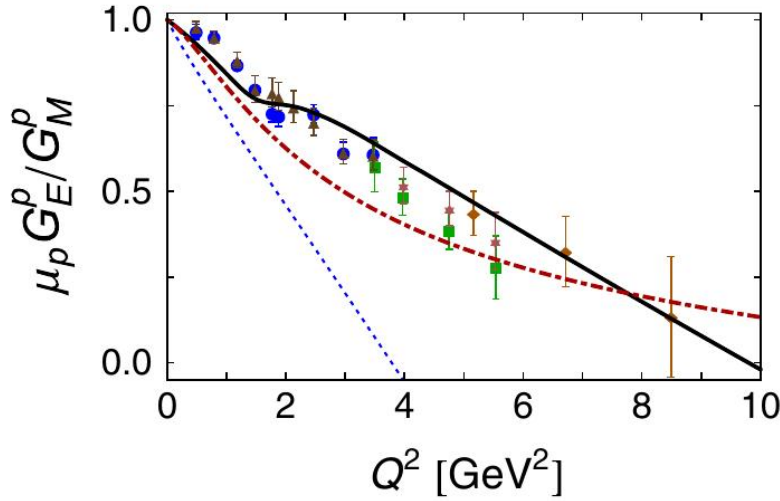
Double polarized experiments show that  $\mu_p G_{Ep} \neq G_{Mp}$

u/d flavour separation....quite different u,d dependence on  $Q^2$   
diquark configuration?

# Continuing Theoretical Interest in $G_E/G_M$

J. Segovia et al., Few-Body Syst. 55 (2014), 1185.

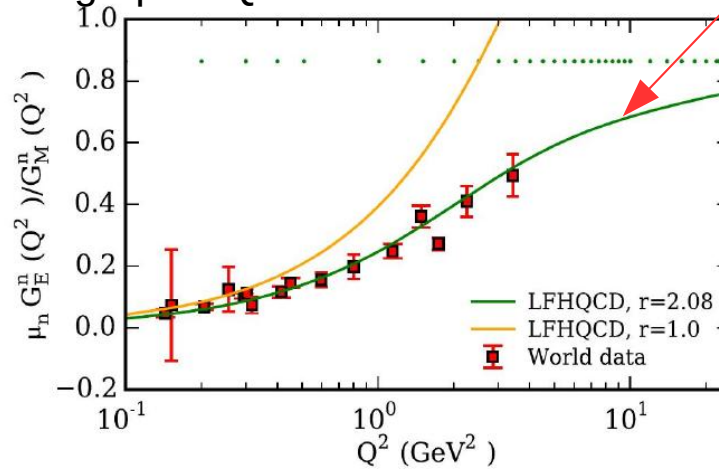
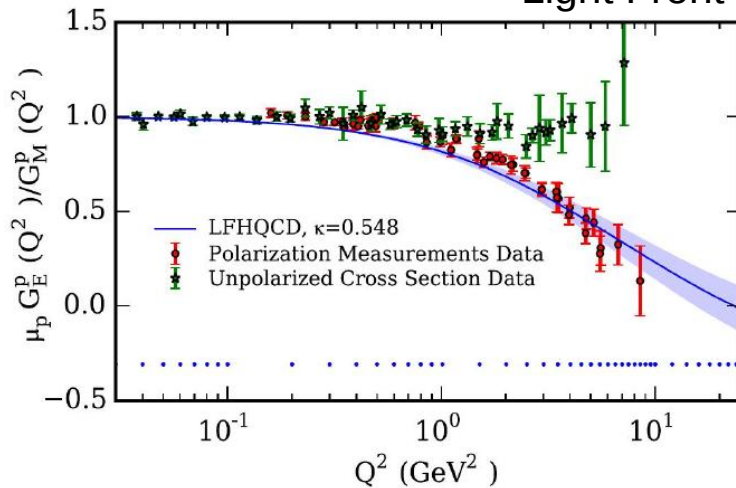
DSE common framework N-elastic and  $\Delta$ -transition form factors



Different theoretical frameworks...  
Very different predictions for  $\mu_n G_{En} / G_{Mn}$   
Vital to have new data

R. S. Sufian et al., Phys. Rev. D95(2017),014011.

Light Front Holographic QCD



# Summary of Experimental Method

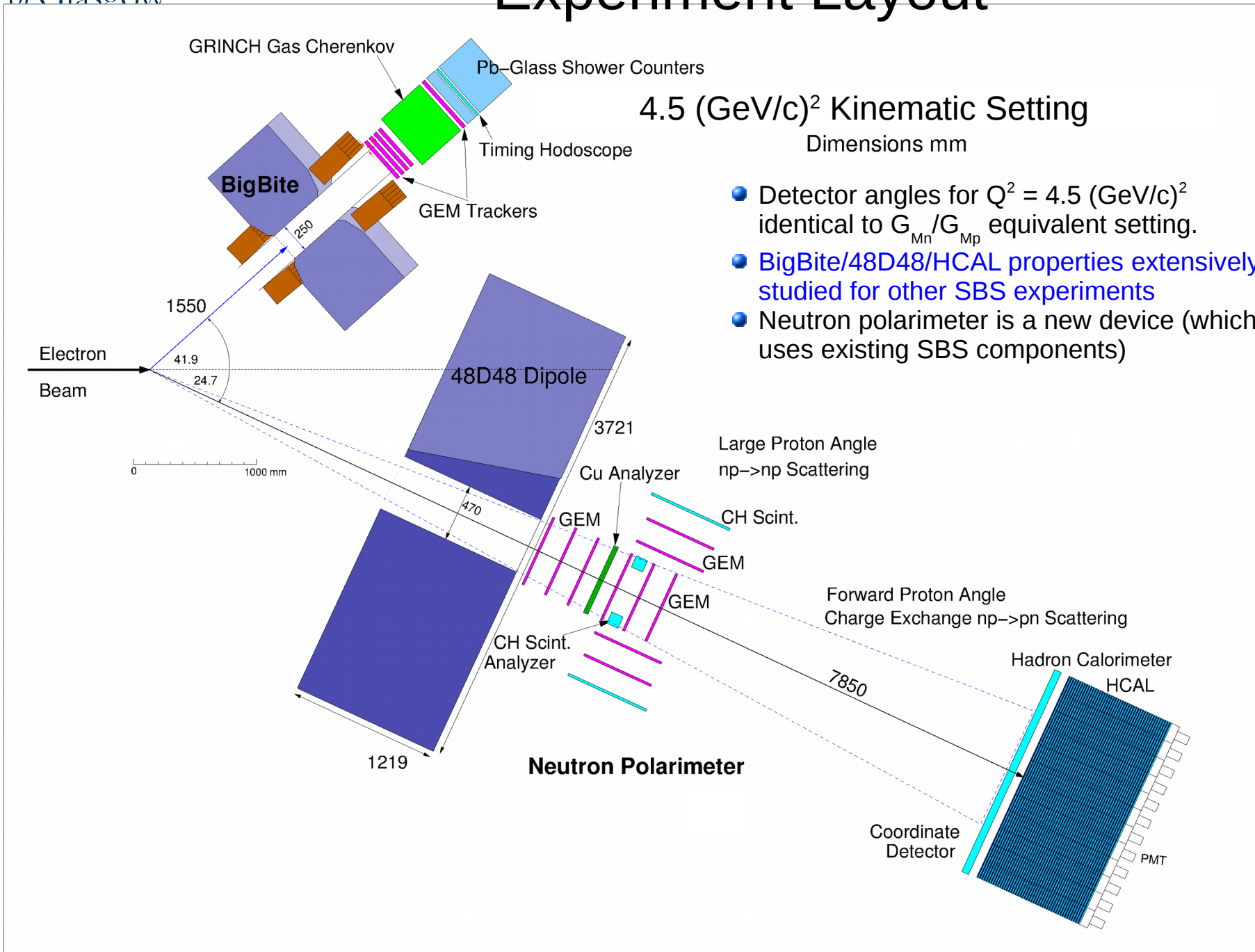
Obtain  $G_{En}/G_{Mn}$  for  $Q^2$  of 4.5.....eventually up to  $\sim 9$  (GeV/c)<sup>2</sup>

Measure double-polarised  ${}^2H(\vec{e}, e' \vec{n})p$

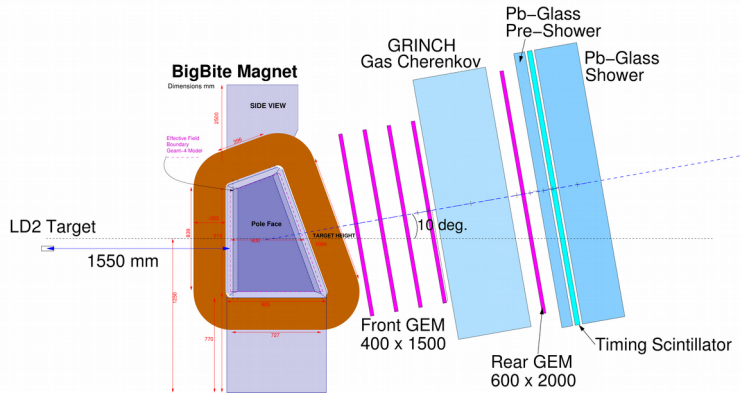
As opposed to E12-09-016  ${}^3He(\vec{e}, e' n)pp$

- Polarization ratio of final-state neutron  $P_x/P_z \rightarrow G_{En}/G_{Mn}$   
(precess  $P_z \rightarrow P_y$  in dipole magnetic field)
- Cryogenic D<sub>2</sub> Target 10 cm long
- 40  $\mu$ A 80% polarized electron beam,  $L = 1.26 \times 10^{38} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- BigBite e' detector (same configuration as E12-09-019  $G_{Mn}/G_{Mp}$ )
- SBS Neutron polarimeter: acceptance well matched to electron arm  
Polarimeter detects high-momentum, small angle protons  
produced by  $np \rightarrow pn$  **AND** low-momentum large-angle protons produced by  $np \rightarrow np$  scattering
- **Apart from polarimeter very similar to  $G_{Mn}/G_{Mp}$  E12-09-019 setup**

# Experiment Layout



## Electron Spectrometer BigBite

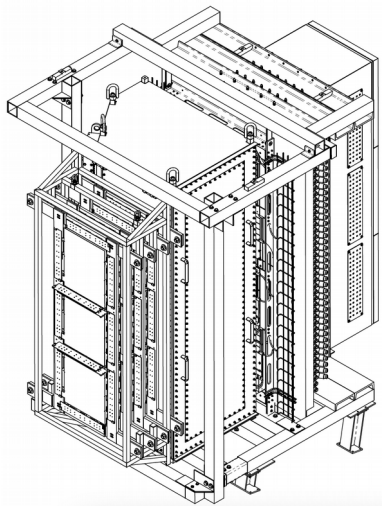


$\Omega \sim 55 \text{ msr}$

$\delta p/p \sim 0.5\%$

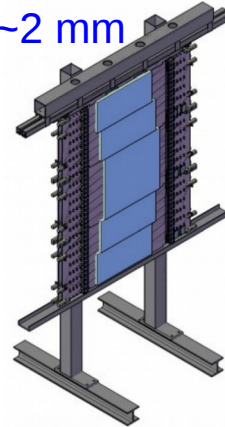
$\delta\theta \sim 1 \text{ mr}$

$\delta z \sim 2 \text{ mm @ target}$



## Coordinate Detector CDet

$\delta x, \delta y \sim 2 \text{ mm}$

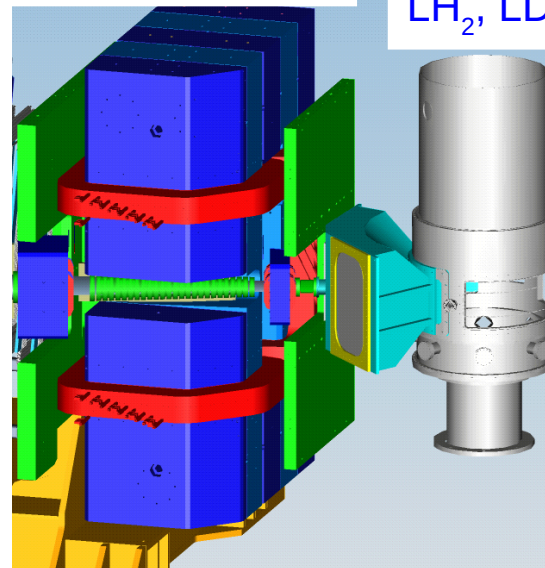


## 48D48 Dipole

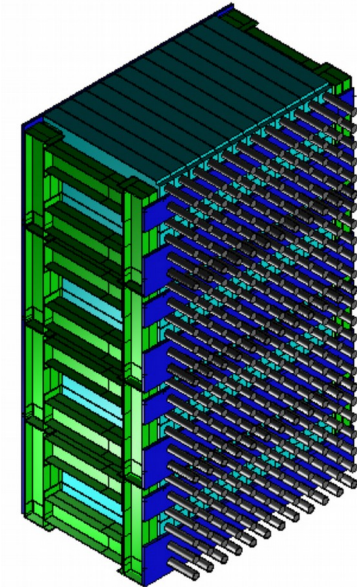
$\sim 2 \text{ Tm integrated field}$

## Hall-A Target

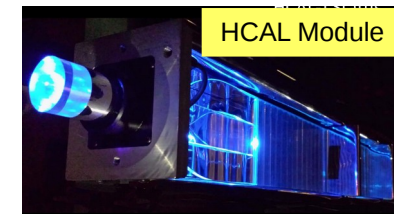
$\text{LH}_2, \text{LD}_2, \text{C-foil}$



## Hadron Calorimeter HCAL



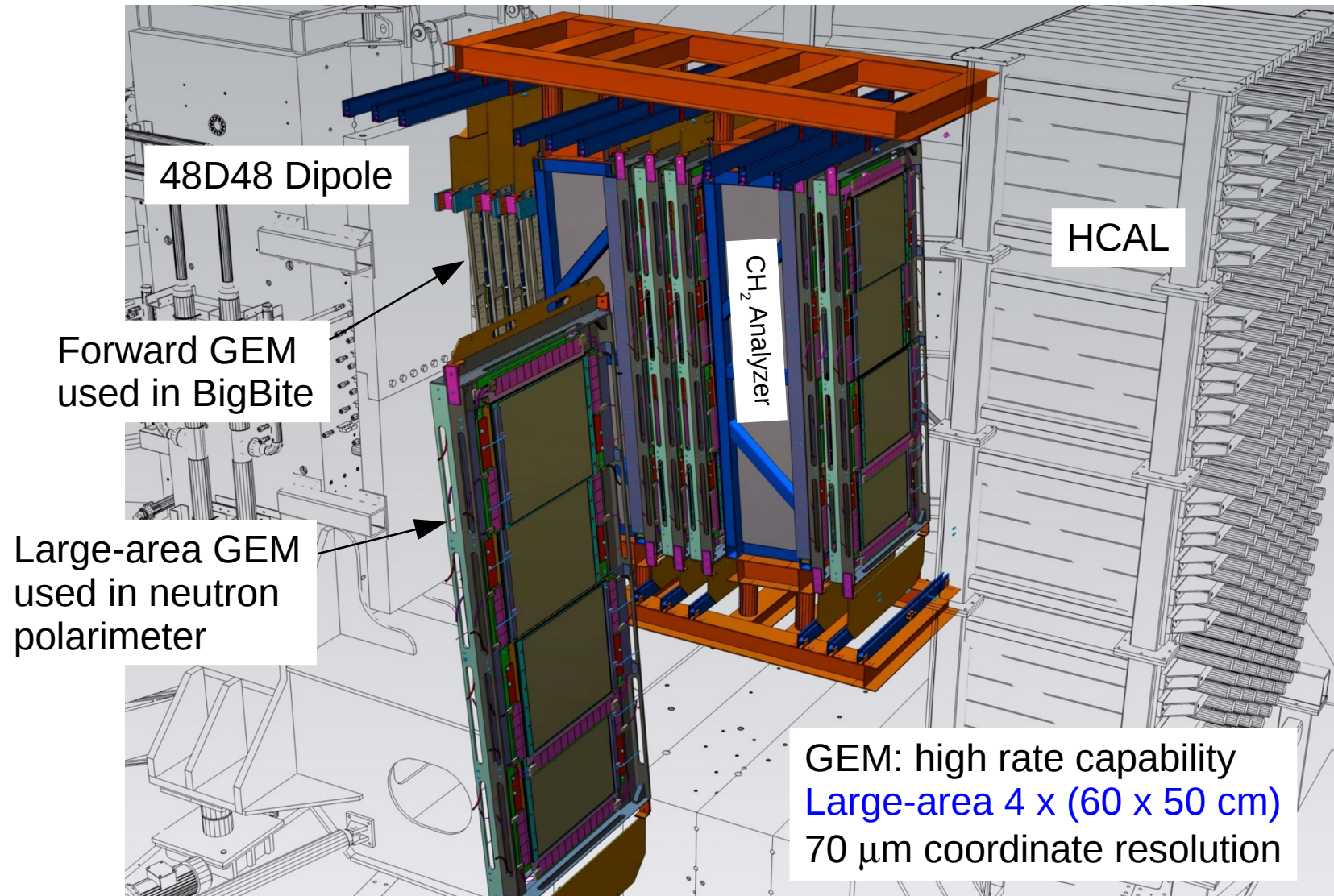
80 – 90% efficiency  
multi-GeV  $p$  and  $n$   
Effective suppression of  
soft background  
 $\sim 0.5 \text{ ns}$  timing resolution





# Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM) Chambers

Proton polarimeter for E12-07-109  $G_{Ep}/G_{Mp}$



# $G_E/G_M$ using Recoil Polarimetry

*A.I.Akhiezer et al., JEPT 33 (1957),765*

*R.G.Arnold, C.E.Carlson and F.Gross, Phys.Rev. C23(1981),363*

$$P_x = -hP_e \frac{2\sqrt{\tau(1+\tau)} \tan \frac{\theta_e}{2} G_E G_M}{G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2 (1 + 2(1+\tau) \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2})}$$

$$P_y = 0$$

$$P_z = hP_e \frac{2\tau \sqrt{1+\tau + (1+\tau)^2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2}} \tan \frac{\theta_e}{2} G_M^2}{G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2 (1 + 2(1+\tau) \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2})}$$

$$\frac{P_x}{P_z} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau + \tau(1+\tau) \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2}}} \cdot \frac{G_E}{G_M}$$

## Recoil Polarimetry...

N-N scattering  $V_{so}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{s}) \rightarrow$

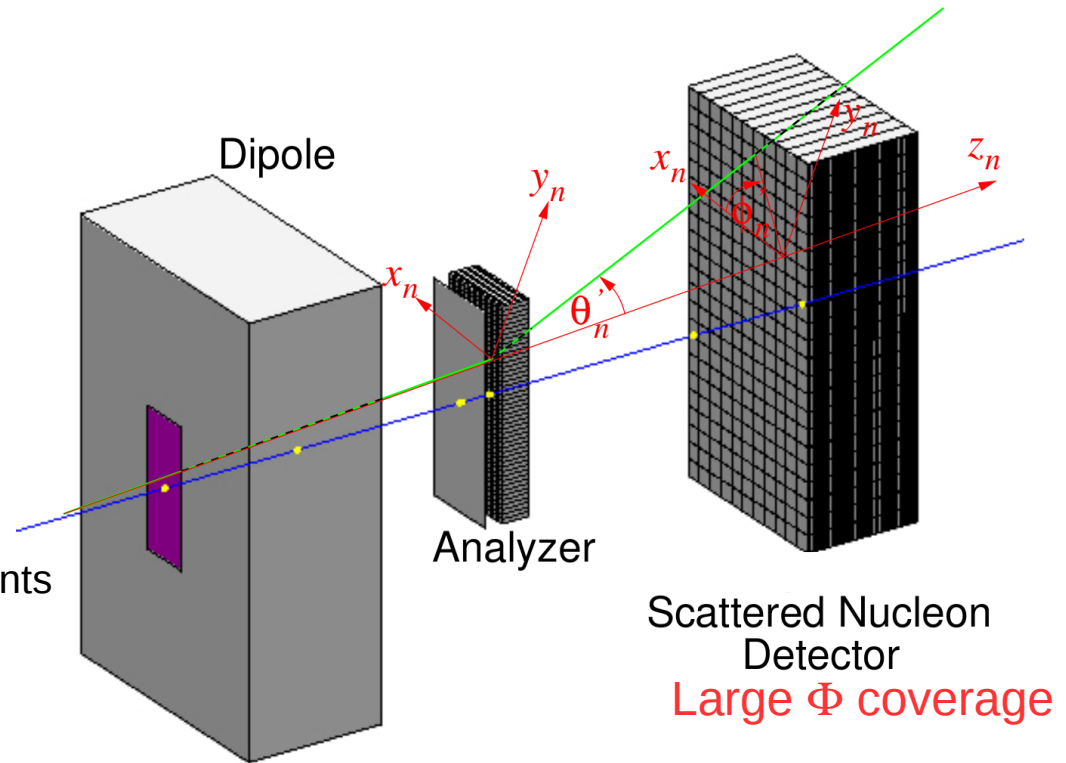
$\phi$  dependence  $\rightarrow$  transverse polarisation components

$$\sigma(\theta'_n, \phi'_n) = \sigma_0 (1 + P_e \alpha_{eff} [P_x^n \sin \phi'_n + P_y^n \cos \phi'_n])$$

Precession angle of nucleon  $P_z$  through dipole

$$\chi = \frac{2\mu_N}{\hbar c \beta_N} \int_L B \cdot dl$$

Integrated Field  $\sim 2$  Tm:  $\chi \rightarrow 70^\circ$  as  $\beta_n \rightarrow 1$



# Nucleon Polarimetry

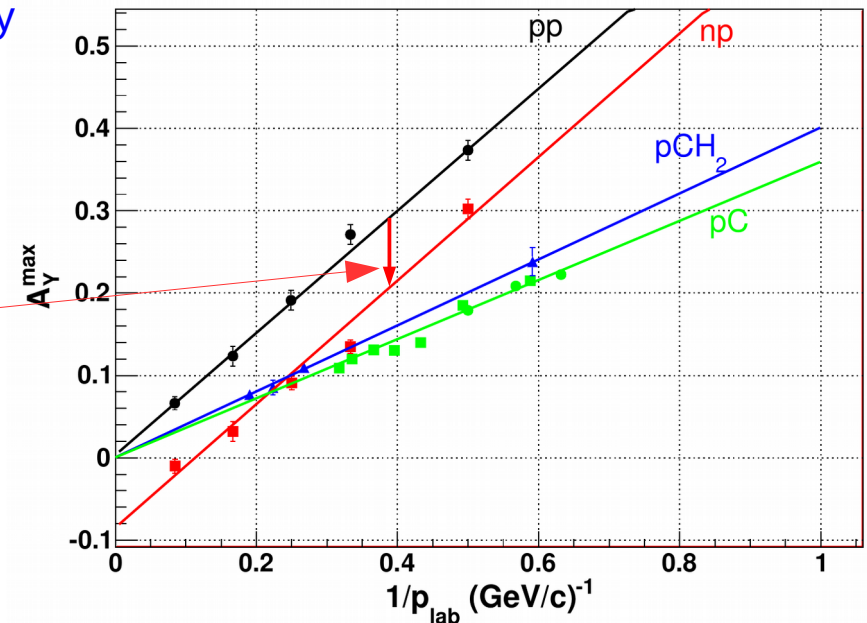
## $A_y$ Elastic (-like) N-N Scattering

- Elastic  $np \rightarrow np$  or  $pp \rightarrow pp$  for highest  $A_y$  value.  $LH_2$  analyser possibly not feasible technically at JLab
- Proton  $A_y$  measurements C,  $CH_2$ : detect forward proton + X undetected  
This does not select elastic or quasi-elastic exclusively
- Empirical p+C value of  $A_y \sim 0.5$  of free elastic p-p scattering  
Fermi-motion smearing of the elastic signal  
Inelastic contamination
- $A_y$  for  $pp \rightarrow pp$  scales as  $1/p_{lab}$   
 $np \rightarrow np$  has similar slope but negative offset
- Up to recently no data on  $n+C \rightarrow n+p+X$  at  $p_{lab} \sim$ several GeV/c (nor for any complex nucleus)

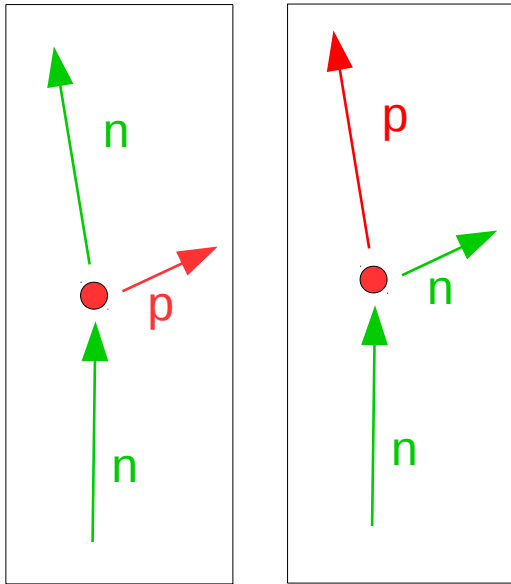
### Peak Analysing Power of N-N Scattering

$$A_y^{max} @ p_{\perp} \sim 300 - 400 \text{ MeV/c}$$

- R. Diebold et al., PR. 35(1975), 632.
- S.L. Kramer et al., PRD17(1978), 1709.
- ▲ L.S. Azhgirey et al., NIM A538(2005), 431.
- N.E. Cheung et al., NIM A363(1995), 561.
- I.G. Alekseev et al., NIM A434(1999), 254.

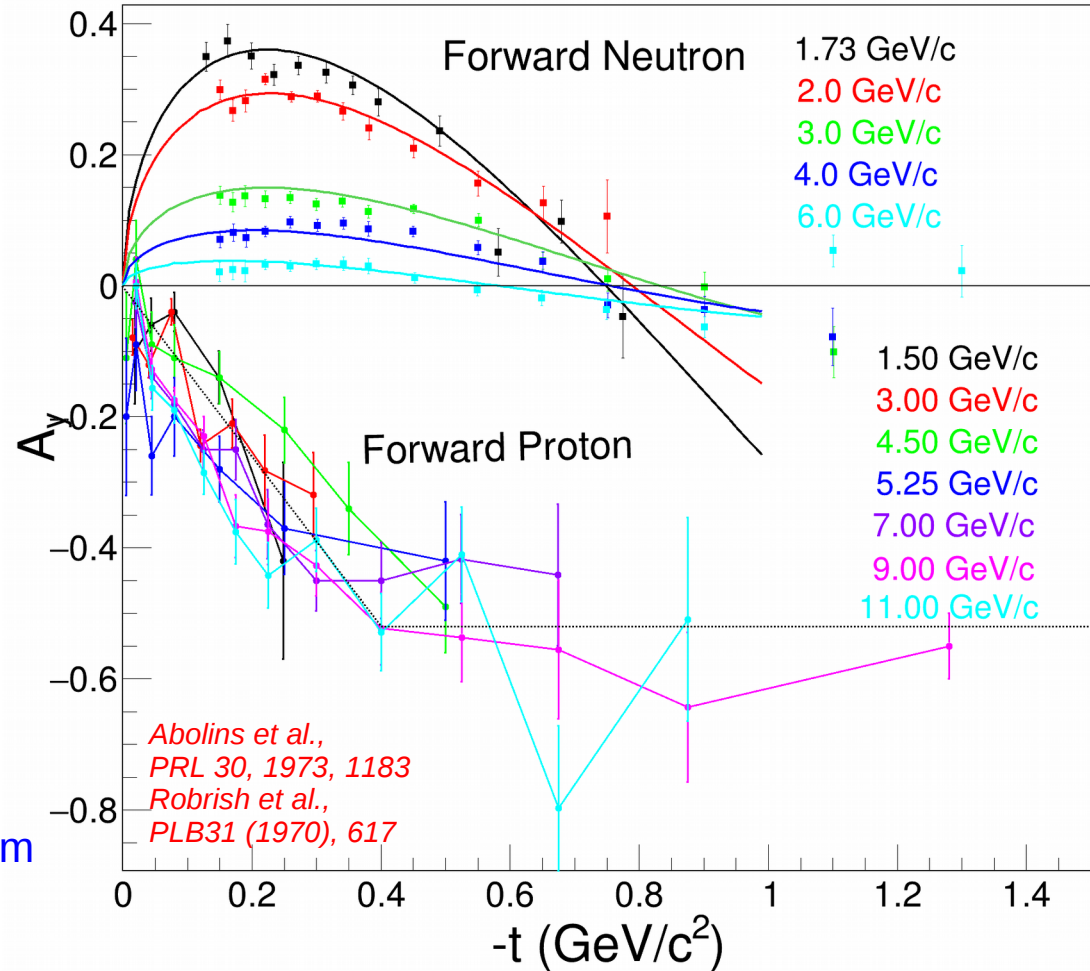


# n-p Elastic: Forward Neutron vs. Forward Proton



Diebold et al.,  
PRL 35,(1975),632  
Fits: Ladygin JINR  
E13-99-123 (1999)

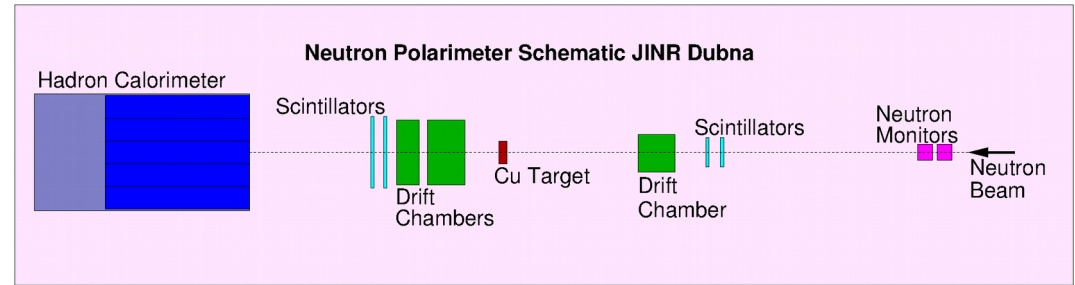
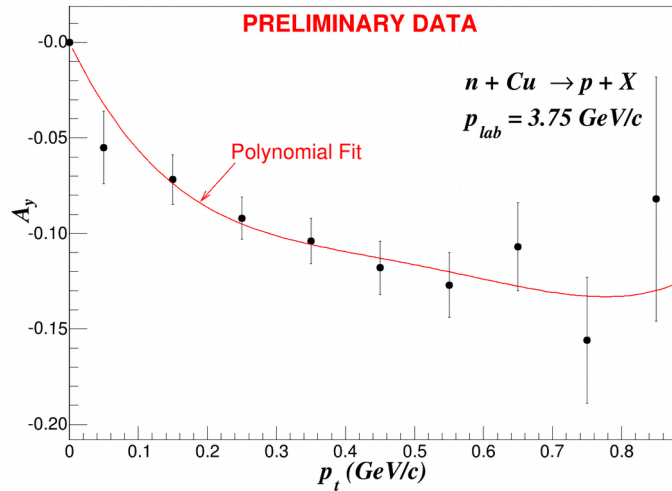
## Elastic n-p Polarisation



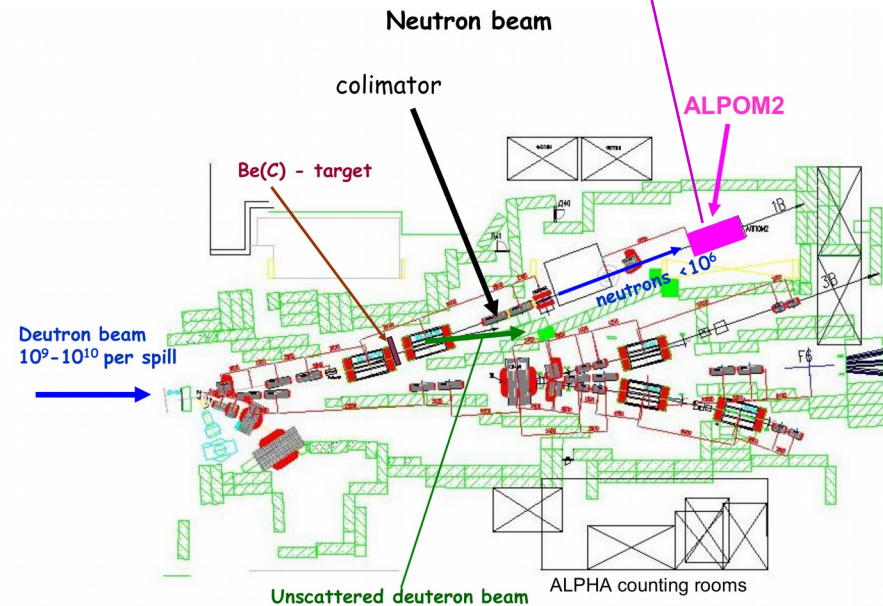
- Measurements from 1970's
- $A_y$  for n-p (or p-n) falling rapidly with increasing neutron momentum
- $A_y$  for charge-exchange n-p large at sufficiently large  $t$  ( $\theta_p \sim$  few deg.)
- No apparent strong incident momentum dependence for charge-exchange  $A_y$
- $\sigma_{np \rightarrow np}$  factor  $\sim 10$  higher than  $\sigma_{np \rightarrow pn}$

Abolins et al.,  
PRL 30, 1973, 1183  
Robrish et al.,  
PLB31 (1970), 617

# The Dubna Experiment

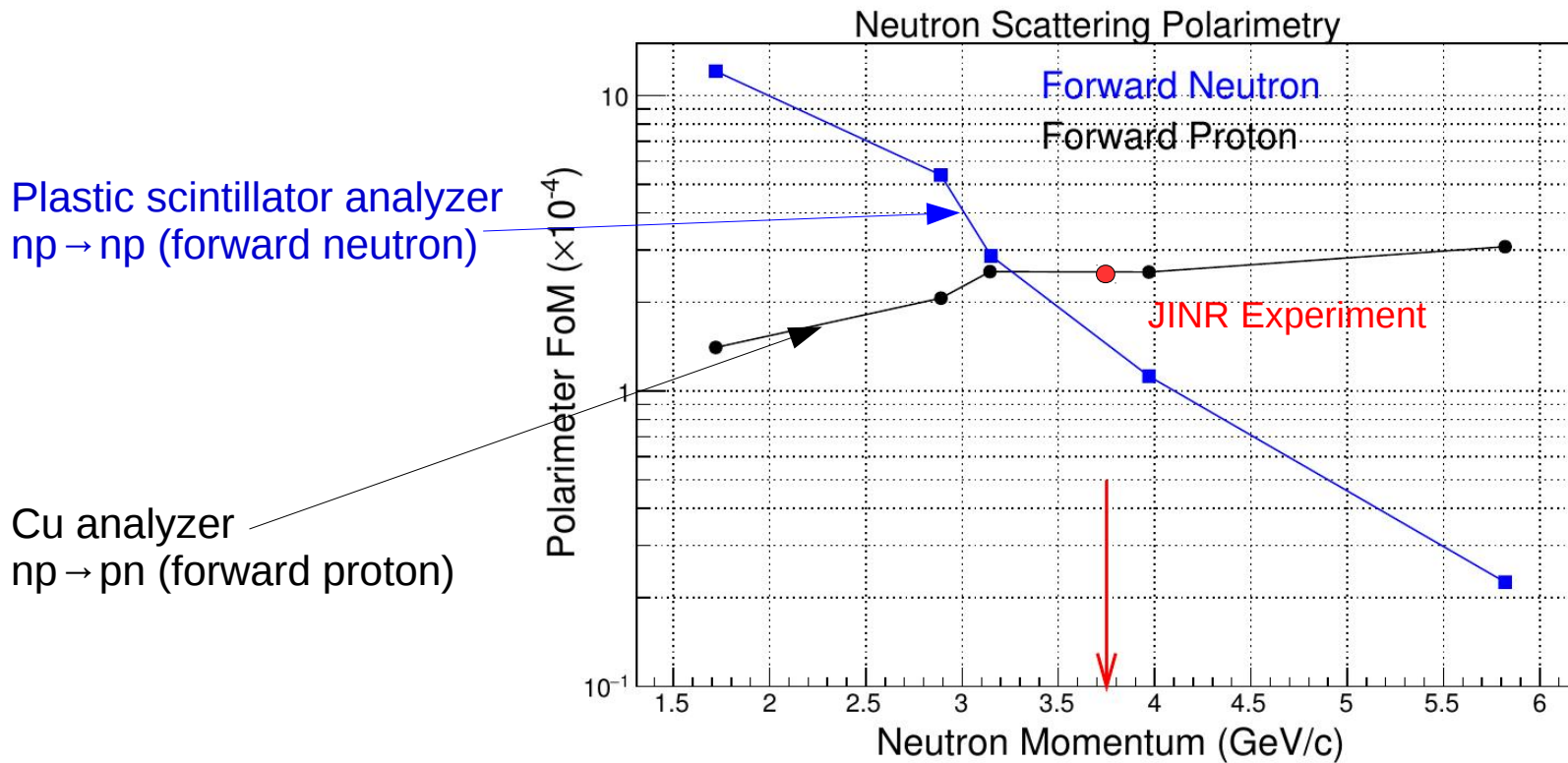


- JINR Dubna Nov 16 – Feb 17.
- Measure asymmetries polarized  $np \rightarrow pn$   
C, CH, CH<sub>2</sub>, Cu Target
- $p_{lab}$ : 3.0 – 4.2 GeV/c
- Extract  $A_y$  as a function of  $p_t = p_{lab} \sin \theta$
- Cu asymmetry similar to C
- Use polynomial fit to Cu data to calculate FoM of JLab neutron polarimeter



# Polarimeter Figure of Merit

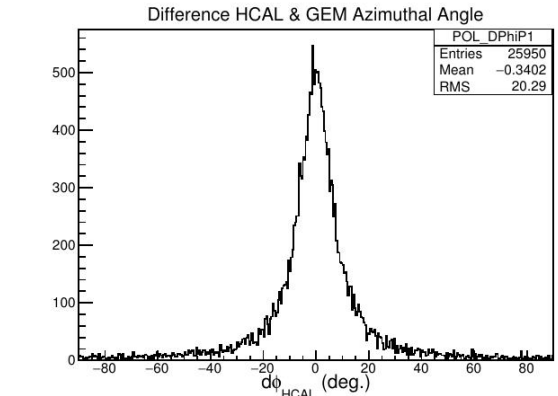
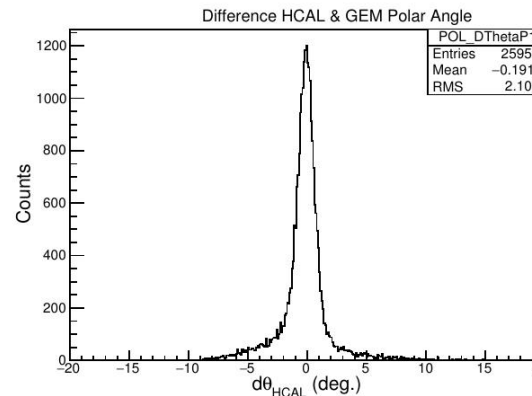
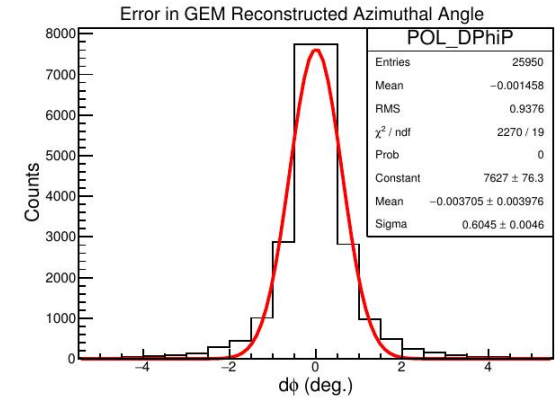
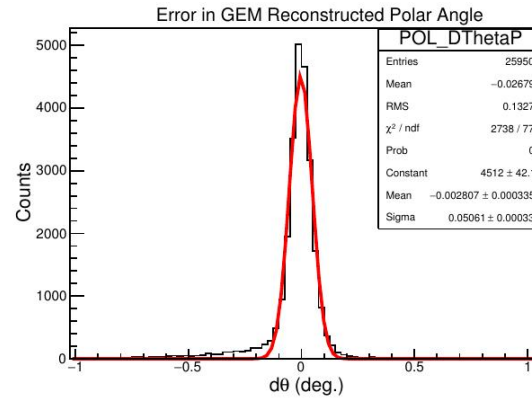
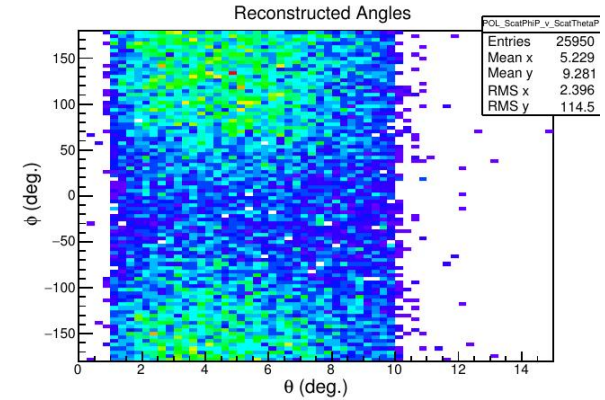
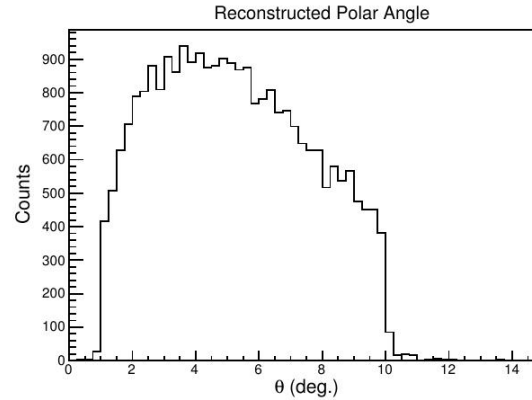
$$\mathcal{F}^2(p_n) = \int \varepsilon(p_n, \theta'_n) A_y^2(p_n, \theta'_n) d\theta'_n$$



- Calculate efficiency of polarimeter as function of  $\theta_N$  by Monte Carlo
- $A_y$  for free np  $\rightarrow$  np: JINR fit to  $p_n$  and  $t$  dependence. Scale  $A_y$  by 0.5 for  $^{12}\text{C}$  scattering
- $A_y$  for np  $\rightarrow$  pn on Cu: New measurement from JINR  
Assume  $A_y$  depends on  $p_t$  only  
Similar to free np  $\rightarrow$  pn scattering

# Forward Proton Angle Reconstruction by GEM

- Reconstruct analyzer hit position and proton angle using GEM position info.  
 $\sigma_{\theta} \sim 0.05$  deg.  
 $\sigma_{\phi} \sim 0.6$  deg.
- Select polar scattering angle... range depends on  $p_{lab}$
- Select calorimeter energy deposit  $> \frac{1}{2}$  peak channel
- Polarimeter detection efficiency  $\sim 3\%$
- Polarimeter similar to Dubna setup... expect similar effective analyzing power

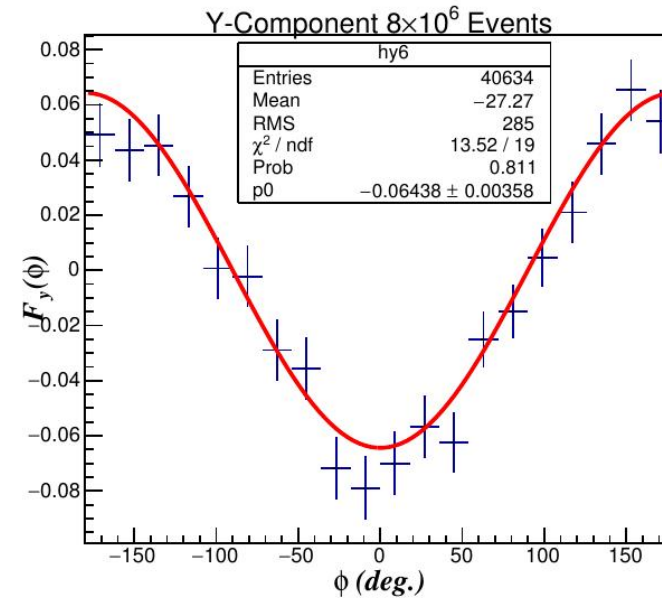
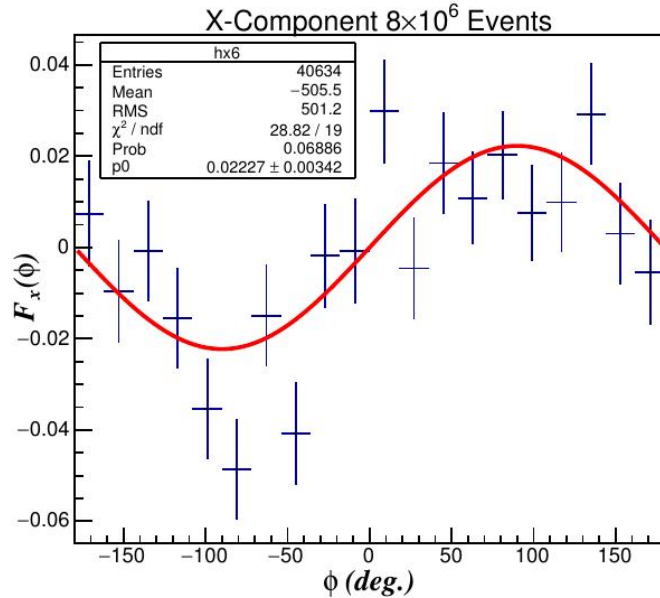


# Obtaining Polarisation Components $P_x P_y$

$$\sigma(\theta_n, \phi_n) = \sigma(\theta_n) \{1 + P_e A_y^{eff} (P_x \sin \phi_n + P_y \cos \phi_n)\}$$

$8 \times 10^6$  simulated events,  $p_{lab} = 3.15$  GeV/c

Proposed data point:  $18 \times 10^6$  incident neutrons



• 4 Comb. beam helicity, SBS dipole polarity —  $F(\phi_n) = C \{1 \pm |P_x^*| \sin \phi_n \pm |P_y^*| \cos \phi_n\}$

• Unpolarized Distribution —  $C = F_{++} + F_{--} + F_{+-} + F_{-+}$

• Polarized Distributions —  $F_x = (F_{++} - F_{-+} + F_{+-} - F_{--})/C$   
 $F_y = (F_{++} - F_{+-} + F_{-+} - F_{--})/C$

• Effective analyzing power of polarimeter  $\sim 0.9 \times np \rightarrow pn$  scattering analyzing power

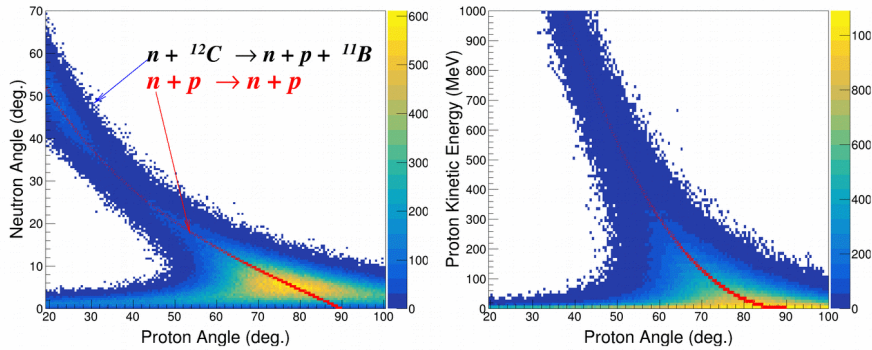
• Its the same for x and y polarisation components

• No significant dependence on  $p_{lab}$



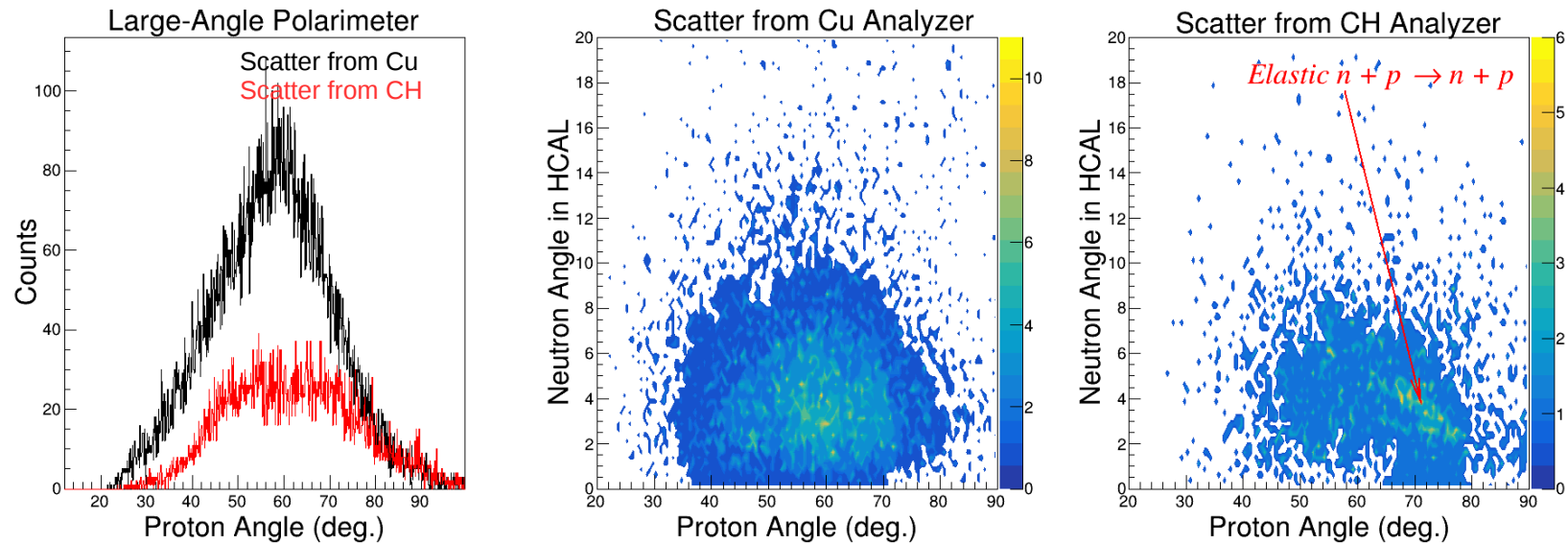
# Large-Angle-Proton Polarimetry

Incident Neutron Momentum 3.15 GeV/c  
Fermi smearing of proton angle

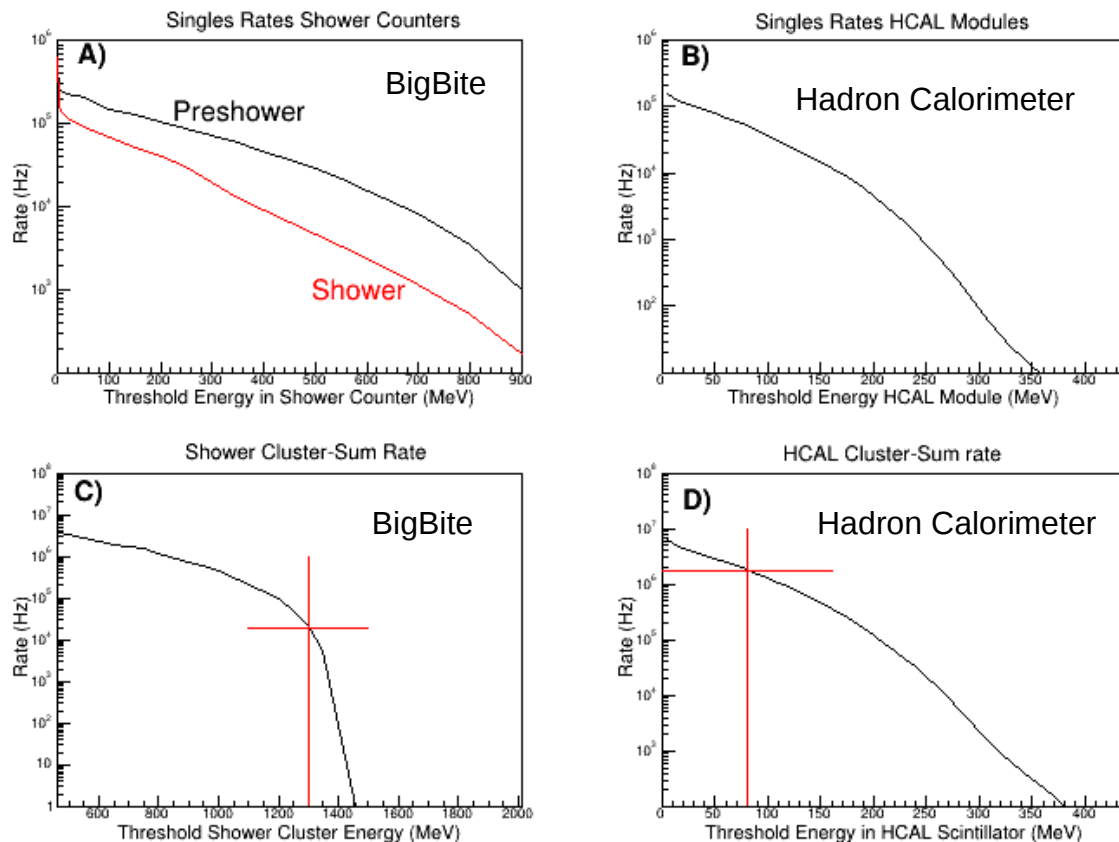


- QE n-p scattering from  $^{12}\text{C}$  or  $^{57}\text{Cu}$   
Fermi smearing of large-angle recoiling proton
- ~1% incident neutrons scatter in Cu making detected large angle proton track
- ~0.4% neutrons scatter in CH making detected large angle proton track
- ~25% of detected large-angle protons have coincident energetic neutron in HCAL

## Geant-4 Calculation 3.15 GeV/c Incident Neutrons



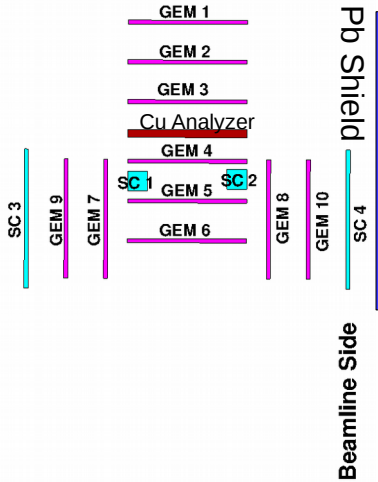
# Trigger Rates @ 40 $\mu\text{A}$ on 10 cm $\text{D}_2$



- Cluster-sum rate in BigBite Pb-Glass  
~ 20 kHz at threshold of 1.3 GeV (65%  $E_{e^-}$ )
- Cluster-sum rate in HCAL  
~ 1.7 MHz at threshold of 0.5  $E_{\text{peak}}$  for 3 GeV/c nucleons
- BigBite-HCAL coincidence rate for  $\Delta t \sim 50$  ns: **1.7 kHz**
- DAQ should handle 5 kHz comfortably

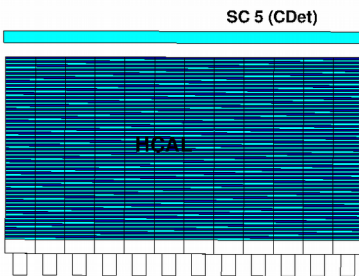
# Hadron Arm Tracking Detector Rates

4.4 GeV electrons 10 cm D<sub>2</sub> target



Detector	Rate kHz/cm <sup>2</sup>
GEM 1	62
GEM 2	63
GEM 3	62
GEM 4	11
GEM 5	11
GEM 6	14
GEM 7	9
GEM 8	27
GEM 9	5
GEM 10	19
CDet 5	30

- GEM rates mainly from soft photons  
Rates factor ~10 lower than  $G_{ep}/G_{mp}$
- Beamline shield reduces rates in side detectors
- Well defined  $q$  vector from BigBite  
Fermi-smearred QE nucleon “spot” @ analyzer area ~ 100 cm<sup>2</sup> →  
GEM rate within spot ~1.5 MHz
- ~5% chance GEM accidental hit  
if  $\Delta t \sim 35$  ns (GEM  $\sigma_t \sim 6$  ns)
- Clean track reconstruction expected



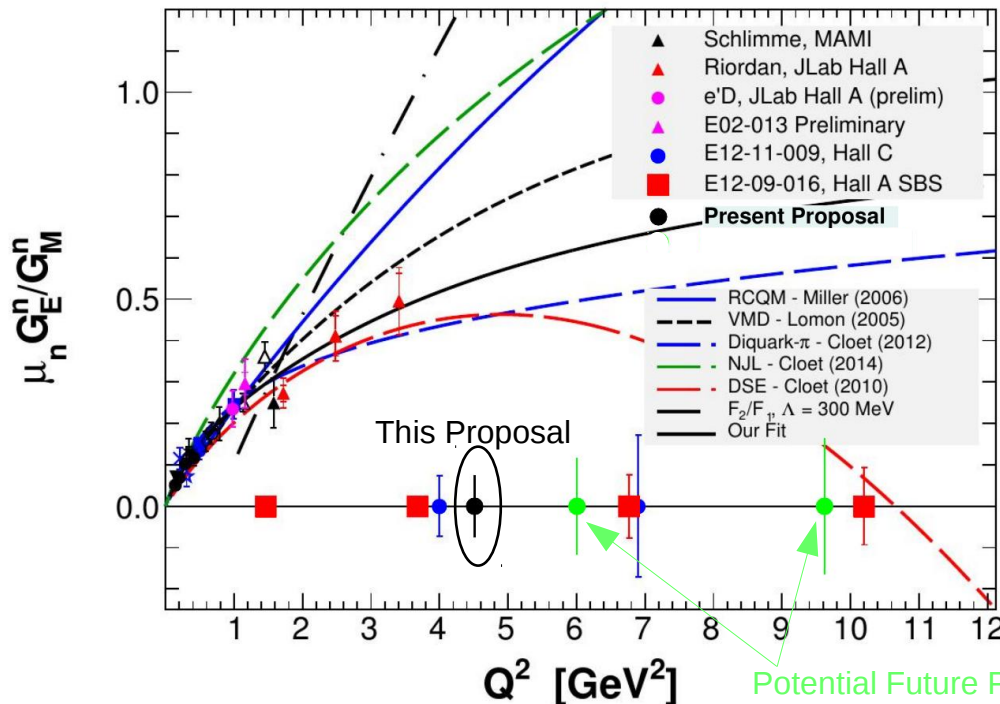
# Precision @ $L = 1.26 \times 10^{38} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

## Charge exchange $np \rightarrow pn$ on Cu Analyzer

$$\delta P = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N_{inc} \mathcal{F}^2}}$$

$$R = \mu_n G_E^n / G_M^n$$

$E_{\text{beam}}$ (GeV)	$Q^2$ (GeV/c) <sup>2</sup>	$p_n$ (GeV/c)	Rate (Hz)	FoM $\times 10^{-4}$	Time (hr)	$\delta P$	$\delta R$
<b>4.4</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>3.15</b>	<b>48.8</b>	<b>2.53</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.019</b>	<b>0.078</b>
6.6	6.0	3.97	26.0	2.53	150	0.024	0.12
8.8	9.3	5.82	2.9	3.08	750	0.029	0.17



- Current request is for  $Q^2 = 4.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$
- Estimates from Geant-4 Monte Carlo model + Dubna measurement
- $\delta R$  based on Glaster  $G_{En}$  and Kelly  $G_{Mn}$  EMFF parametrisation
- Expect overall systematic error to be  $\sim 3.0\%$

# Summary

- We propose a high precision measurement of  $G_{En}/G_{Mn}$  at  $Q^2 = 4.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$
- Method QE  $^2\text{H}(\vec{e}, e' \vec{n})$  measure recoil neutron polarization
- BigBite and SBS (configured as a polarimeter) are highly suited to a double polarised, recoil-nucleon polarimetry measurement of  $G_{En}/G_{Mn}$
- Request 100 hr of beam....running together with E12-09-019  $G_{Mn}/G_{Mp}$
- Data will provide comparison of  $np \rightarrow pn$  and  $np \rightarrow np$  scattering as a neutron polarization analyzer
- Return to future PAC with proposal for higher  $Q^2$  points once best method of polarimetry in Hall-A or Hall-C established

**Thanks for your attention**

Backup

## PR12-17-004: *Measurement of the Ratio $G_E^n/G_M^n$ by the Double-Polarized $^2\text{H}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{n})$ Reaction*

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The proposed experiment aims at extracting the ratio of neutron electric to magnetic form factors by measuring the longitudinal ( $P_z$ ) and transverse ( $P_x$ ) polarization transfer observables in the reaction  $^2\text{H}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{n})$ . The measurement would be carried out at a four-momentum transfer squared  $Q^2$  of 4.5 GeV<sup>2</sup>, and would extend our empirical knowledge of this ratio, which is presently limited up to  $Q^2$  of 3.4 GeV<sup>2</sup>.

The neutron (and proton) electromagnetic form factors are among the most fundamental quantities characterizing the extended structure of baryons. They are a crucial testing ground for models of baryon structure and provide important constraints, via sum rules, for the modeling of GPDs. These form factors are also essential input in calculations of electroweak structure and response of nuclei. From this perspective, the scientific relevance of the proposed experiment is high.

There are also two competing, and already approved, experiments to measure the ratio  $G_E^n/G_M^n$ : the first scatters longitudinally polarized electrons from a polarized  $^3\text{He}$  target (E12-09-016); the second uses the same process of the present proposal (E12-11-009). Both of these experiments have a much higher reach in  $Q^2$  (10 GeV<sup>2</sup> and 7 GeV<sup>2</sup>, respectively). The relative merits of this proposal versus E12-11-009 in particular rest in the experimental aspects concerning improvements in understanding the analyzing power and systematics for small-angle recoiling protons.

We see this experiment as a stepping stone towards an experiment which will extend the  $Q^2$  range for a recoil polarimetry experiment up to around 9 (GeV/c)<sup>2</sup>.

For such an experiment the analyzing power ( $A_y$ ) of the neutron scattering process, used to determine the neutron polarization, is a major uncertainty in determining a Figure of Merit (FoM) for the experiment. Although the value of  $A_y$  cancels in the ratio  $G_E^n/G_M^n$ , the FoM and hence the statistical uncertainty of the measurement depends on  $A_y^2$ . Systematic uncertainties will be relatively small compared to statistical.

We have addressed the lack of neutron  $A_y$  data by measuring the polarized, charge-exchange reaction  $n+A \rightarrow p+X$  at JINR Dubna ( $A = \text{C, CH, CH}_2, \text{Cu}$ ). Here the proton is knocked out at forward-angle with high-energy. However no polarized data exists for the non-charge-exchange reaction on complex nuclei at multi-GeV energy. This process gives a high-energy forward neutron and a low-energy large-angle recoiling proton. Free, polarized n-p scattering data suggest that at multi-GeV energies the analyzing power of the latter process will be low relative to charge exchange scattering, but never the less it is potentially useful to polarimetry. Thus we have designed an experiment which has a two-fold purpose:

1. To provide a value of  $G_E^n/G_M^n$  at  $Q^2 = 4.5$  (GeV/c)<sup>2</sup>, which will be the highest value of  $Q^2$  obtained in a double-polarized experiment to date.
2. To provide comparative data on the polarimetry FoM using charge-exchange and non-charge-exchange scattering processes. This information will be used to guide the design of any future experiment (including E12-11-009) which seeks to extend the upper limit of  $Q^2$  obtained in a recoil-polarimetry measurement.

1. This experiment proposes to run with the same target, luminosity, beam line, and a very similar spectrometer configuration as SBS experiment E12-09-109 ( $G_{Mn}$ ), which had a readiness review in June, 2017. Thus, it is assumed here that technical issues concerning any of the E12-09-019 components, in particular the target, the detector systems in BigBite, the SBS magnet, beam steering, Coordinate Detector and HCAL system, have already been addressed elsewhere.

The final report of the readiness review for E12-09-019 was released on 21 June 2017. This contains a number of recommendations which the SBS collaboration as a whole are in the process of implementing.

2. The DAQ data volume will be significantly higher than in E12-09-109 because of the additional GEM tracker planes in this experiment (six polarimeter planes plus four planes in the large-angle proton detection system). Since the luminosity of this experiment will be roughly one order of magnitude lower than in SBS experiment E12-07-109 ( $G_{Ep}$ ), where simulations have already demonstrated the feasibility of tracking with GEM chambers at high rates in SBS, this is not expected to be an analysis issue, but only one of increased data volume. While not believed to be problematic, an estimate of the anticipated event size is missing from the proposal and thus the data volume estimate is not motivated.

We thank the technical committee for pointing out this omission from the proposal. The data volume stipulated in the cover form for the proposal is an under estimate. The amount of data collected per event will be roughly similar to E12-07-109. The estimated maximum data rate for the latter is  $\sim 250$  MB/s at an interrupt rate of  $\sim 5$  kHz, which equates to a total volume of  $\sim 100$  TB over 5 days of production running for the present measurement. Data compression schemes for SBS as a whole are under investigation.

3. The passive Cu analyzer block is straightforward. No issues are foreseen.

4. The polarimeter assembly requires a mounting platform or similar. This either already exists or should be straightforward to construct.

The proton polarimeter for the  $G_{Ep}/G_{Mp}$  experiment E12-07-109 will have a mounting platform for the GEM chambers and analyzer blocks. Parts of this assembly will be useable for this experiment, but undoubtedly some new construction will be necessary. Detailed design work will commence if this proposal is accepted.

5. The proposed large-angle proton detection system consists of two active-analyzer scintillator bars, four 60 x 200 cm GEM assemblies, and two additional timing scintillators. It would be important to demonstrate with simulations that these systems will perform as expected in the open SBS geometry and in the presence of low-momentum charged particle background swept by the magnet. In particular, there could be a non-negligible flux at near-parallel incidence to the GEM planes, which would interfere with tracking in these chambers. The authors indicate that they are already in the process of developing these simulations.

Monte Carlo simulations are in progress to estimate the rates in the large angle detectors and also their acceptance for n-p scattering. The horizontal field in the 48D48 SBS dipole deflects charged particles mainly in the vertical plane. For particles produced in the target vicinity the GEM chambers situated immediately downstream of the 48D48 aperture actually experience higher rates than the large-angle GEMs which are situated at the side, outside of direct view of the target. Simulations performed for E12-07-109 predict that the bulk of the GEM rate is due to soft photons. It is also clear that the exit beam line also produces a substantial flux of radiation, which will produce high rates in the beam-line-side counters. Preliminary studies for this experiment show that Pb shielding is effective in suppressing rates in the large-angle, beam-line-side detectors.

6. If run in conjunction with (i.e. immediately following) E12-09-109, spectrometer settings and optics calibrations could be reused from that experiment. The beam time request reflects this scenario, i.e. no time is requested for calibrations, and only a minimal setup time of 12 hours is assumed.

We anticipate that the bulk of the setting up for the polarimeter components (i.e. detector systems additional to E12-09-019) would be carried out prior to the start of beam for E12-09-019. Change over would involve the moving of these components into the SBS acceptance and coupling the data readout electronics into the main DAQ. We believe that 12 hr is a reasonable time to accomplish this, given careful consideration of the setup before beam delivery starts.

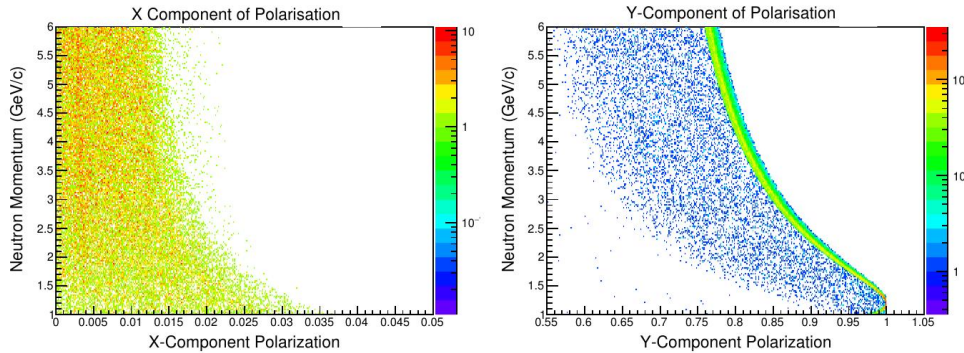
7. If not run in conjunction with E12-09-109, this would be a large installation experiment. Additional setup and calibration time would be needed. This is indeed true. We have purposely limited the scope of the present experiment so that the beam time requirement for production running is modest, and would not represent a large overhead on top of E12-09-019. Running in conjunction with E12-09-019 represents an efficient use of personnel and minimises the required floor time.



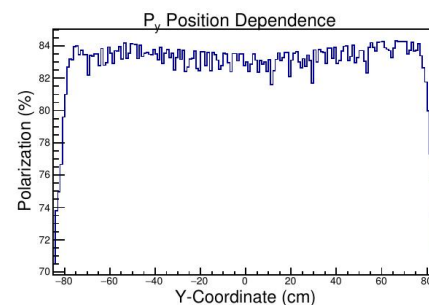
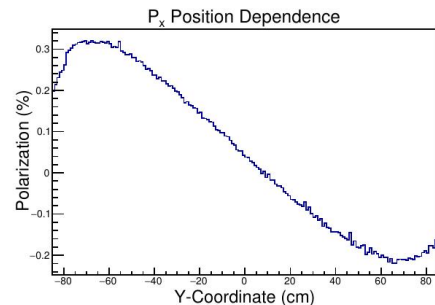
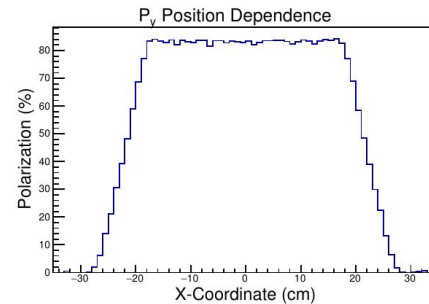
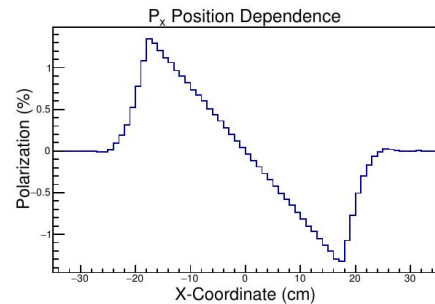
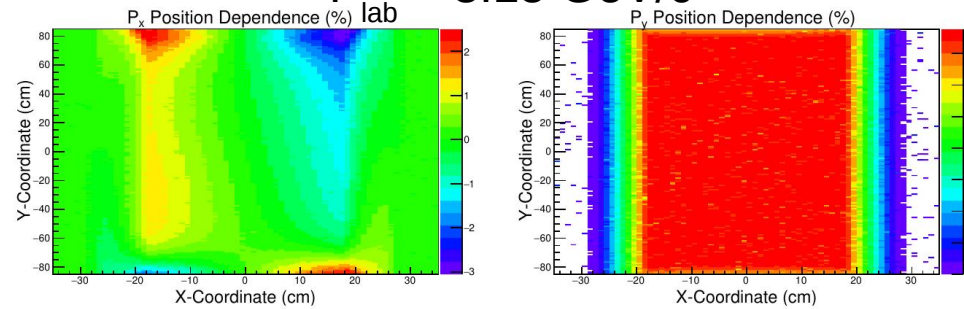
# Systematic Uncertainties

- Non-equal values  $A_y$  for  $P_x$  and  $P_y$ . Simulations show no significant variations. Max. size of error of the  $P_x/P_y$  ratio is  $\sim 1\%$ .
- Azimuthal angle acceptance non-uniformity... Simulations consistent with cancellation after beam helicity flip and precession angle reversal (reversal of 48D48 field). Max. size of error  $\sim 1\%$ .
- Non-uniformity of the magnetic field results in a small  $P_z \rightarrow P_x$  mixing. Neutron path through the dipole reconstructed accurately. After correction an overall uncertainty of 1% estimated
- Reproducibility of the spin precession angle after polarity reversal. At a precession angle of  $60^\circ$ , a 2% difference in integrated field would give 1% difference in rotated component  $P_z \rightarrow P_y$ .
- Variation in the angle of spin precession through the dipole magnet. Correction factor can be evaluated event by event. The estimated uncertainty is 0.25%.
- Dilution of the asymmetry by accidental background. The background is estimated to be at the 1% level which can be subtracted without significant error.
- Contamination of the quasi-elastic signal by inelastic processes. A deuteron measurement will have clean rejection of the inelastic background. Estimated 1.5% contribution
- **Total systematic uncertainty  $\sim 3\%$**

# Spin Precession in 48D48 Dipole



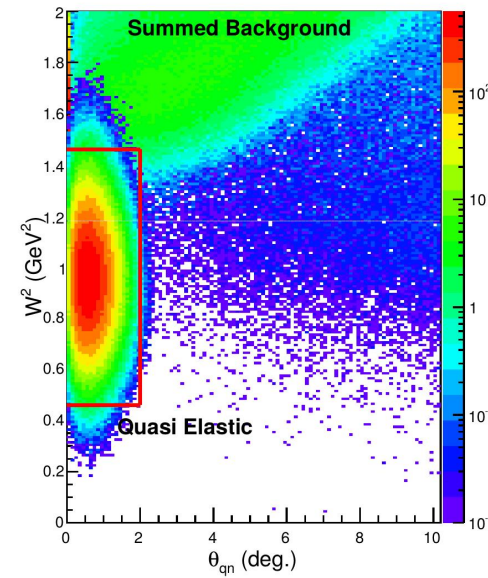
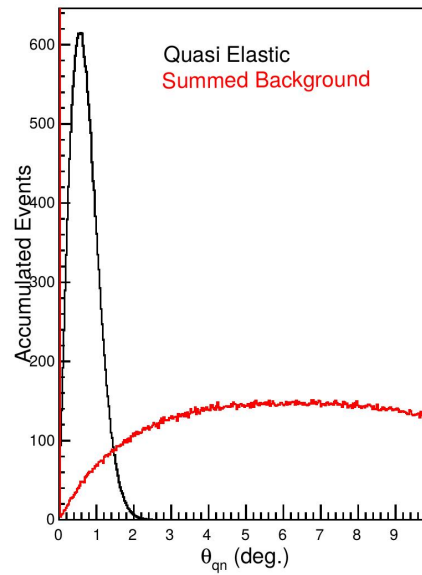
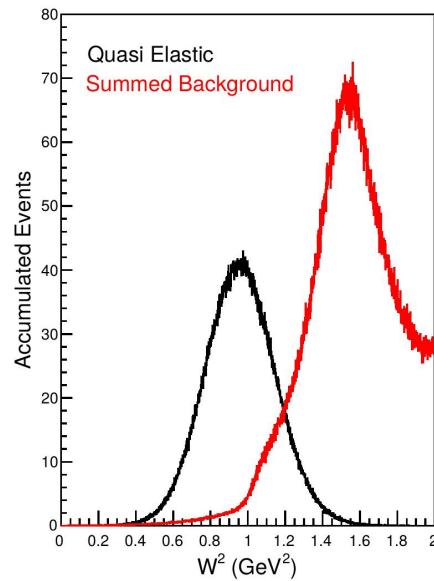
$P = 3.15 \text{ GeV/c}$



- Nucleon spin precession calculated in Geant-4.10  
Earlier G4 have problems with neutron spin precession
- TOSCA field map, no field clamps fitted
- Start neutrons with spin (0,0,1) at target, track through dipole field, record spin components at analyser
- Max spin transfer  $z \rightarrow x \sim 3\%$
- Smoothly varying, can be corrected, polarimeter has good position resolution
- Max sys. error to  $P_x/P_z \sim 1\%$

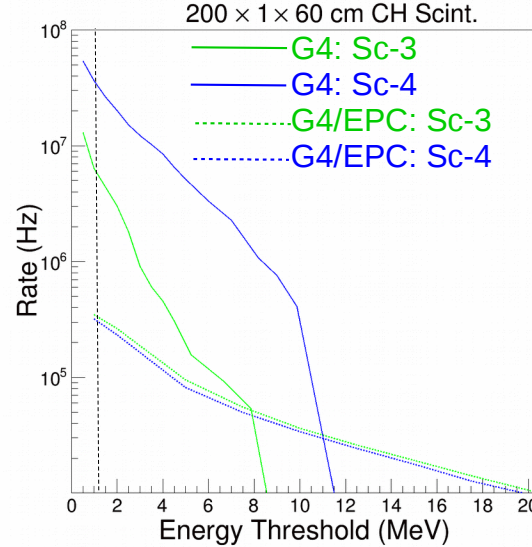
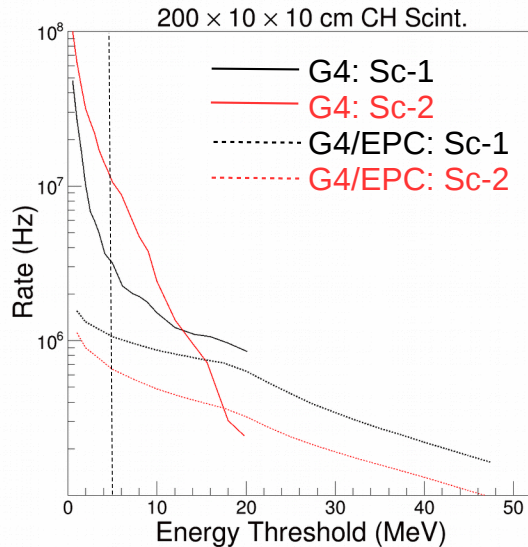
# $d(e,e'n)$ QE Signal Separation

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- BigBite: clean separation of electrons from  $\pi^-$  (GRINCH and Preshower/Shower)
- Polarimeter: clean separation of  $d(e,e'n)$  from  $d(e,e'p)$  (front GEM)
- $d(e,e'n)$  QE signal has some contamination, mainly from pion electroproduction
- Use QFS code to calculate QE and non-elastic cross sections  
MC procedure folds in detector resolution effects
- Combination of  $W^2$  and  $\theta_{qn}$  to separate QE from non-elastic
- “Red-box” cut: 98.5% QE events accepted, non-elastic background 1.5% of QE strength
- Cleaner separation of QE for  $d(e,e'n)$  compared to  ${}^3\text{He}(e,e'n)$  (polarized target  $G_{En}/G_{Mn}$ )

## Polarimeter: Large-Angle Scintillators



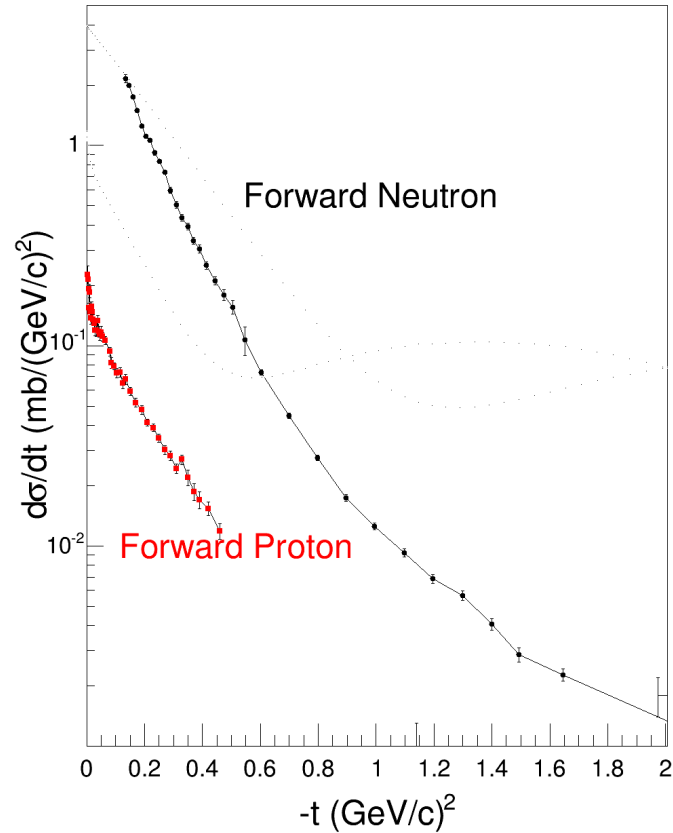
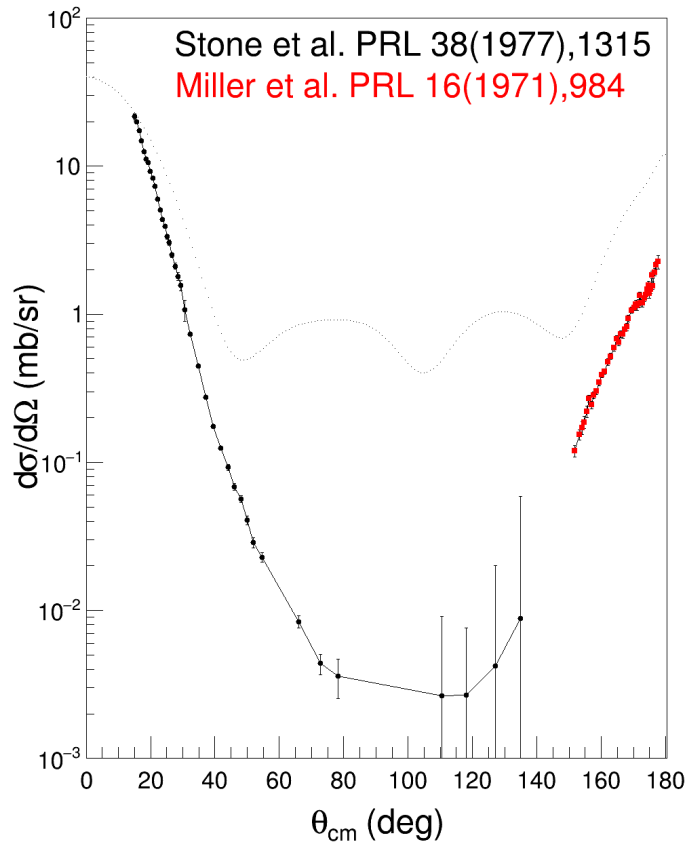
Scintillators will require to be segmented

- Calculations made with Geant-4
- 4.4 GeV electrons on 10 cm  $D_2$ , use G4 electromagnetic and hadronic physics models to sample produced particle types and 4-momenta  
Need huge number of events to obtain reasonable hadron sample
- Use code EPC to calculate differential cross section  $\sigma(p, \theta)$  for  $p, n, \pi^0, \pi^-, \pi^+$  electro production  
In G4 use these to generate particles at the target position and then track through BB/SBS

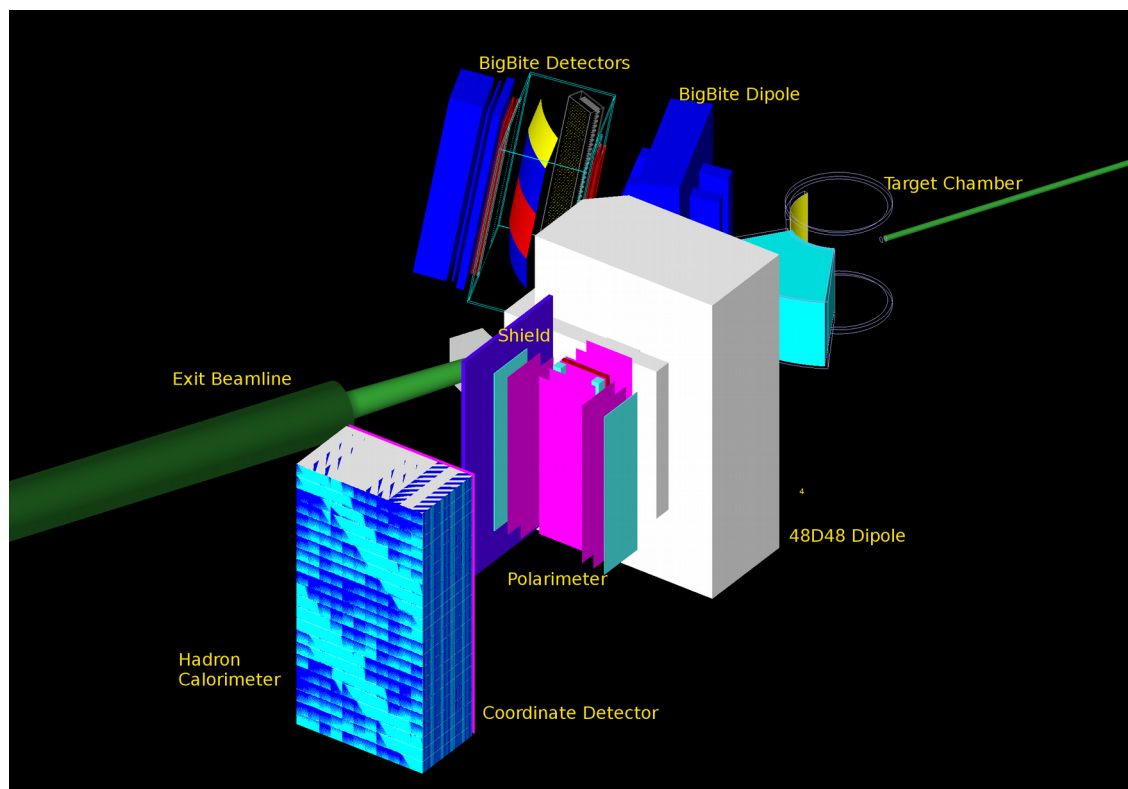
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# $n$ - $p$ Elastic Cross Section

$$p_{lab} = 5 \text{ GeV}/c$$



# The Geant-4 Model



- **Geant4.10.03: add  $\phi$  dependence polarised nucleon elastic and QE scattering**
- Record signal amplitude and time from each detector element.
- Analyse simulated data as in real experiment.
- Calculate element rates 4.4, 6.6, 8.8 GeV, 40  $\mu\text{A}$  on 10 cm  $\text{LD}_2$   
( $\mathcal{L} = 1.26 \times 10^{38} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ )
- Simulate n-p scattering processes in polarimeter...angle resolution, acceptance efficiency
- Reconstruct polar, azimuthal angles.... $\phi$  distributions give effective analyzing power of polarimeter