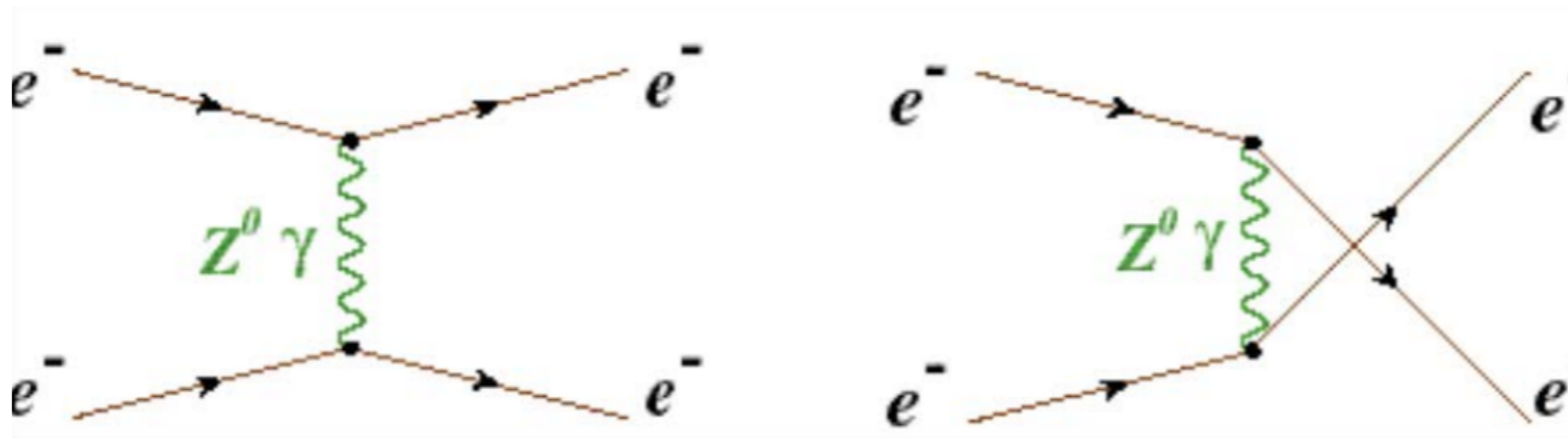


# Status Update

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# MOLLER experiment in a nutshell



$$A_{PV} = \frac{\sigma_R - \sigma_L}{\sigma_R + \sigma_L} \propto \frac{\mathcal{M}_\gamma \mathcal{M}_Z}{\mathcal{M}_\gamma^2} \propto E_{lab} \frac{4 \sin^2 \theta}{(3 + \cos^2 \theta)^2} Q_W^e$$

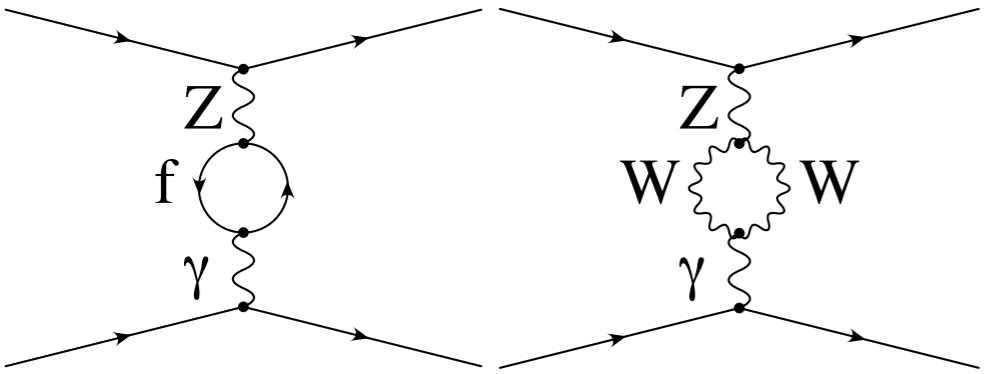
$$\text{Tree level: } Q_W^e = -(1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W)$$

- MOLLER will be a high precision measurement of the weak charge of the electron
- The parity violating asymmetry in longitudinally polarized electron-electron scattering is directly proportional to the electron weak charge

# High precision means considering loops

$$A_{PV}(ee) \propto \rho G_F \left[ 1 - 4\kappa(0) \sin^2 \theta_W (m_Z)_{\overline{MS}} \right] + \dots$$

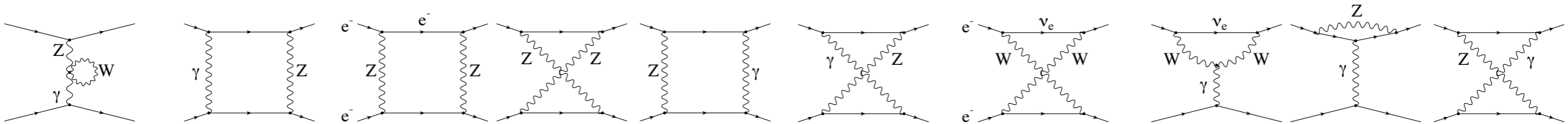
**Dominant Contribution at 1-loop**



**$\kappa(0)$  known better than 1% of itself**

*Erlar and Ramsey-Musolf (2003)*

*Erlar and Ferro-Hernandez (2018)*



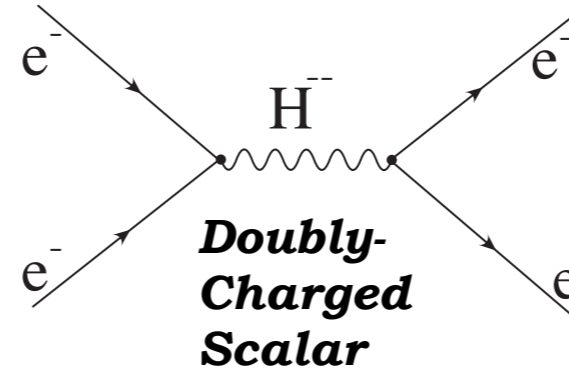
**$\delta(Q^{e_W})$  (theory) = 0.6%, another factor of 2 improvement with full two-loop calculation**

**MOLLER  $\delta(Q^{e_W})$  goal =  $\pm 2.1$  % (stat.)  $\pm 1.1$  % (syst.)**

# Unique BSM physics access

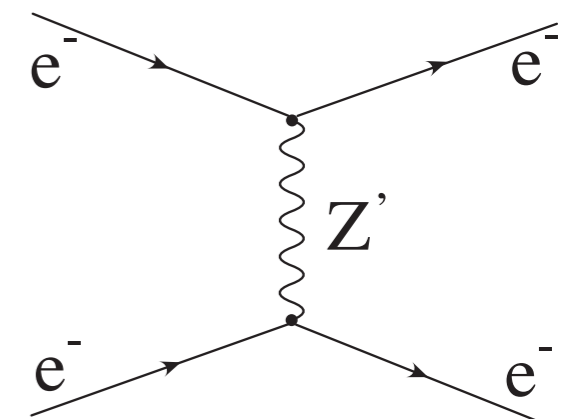
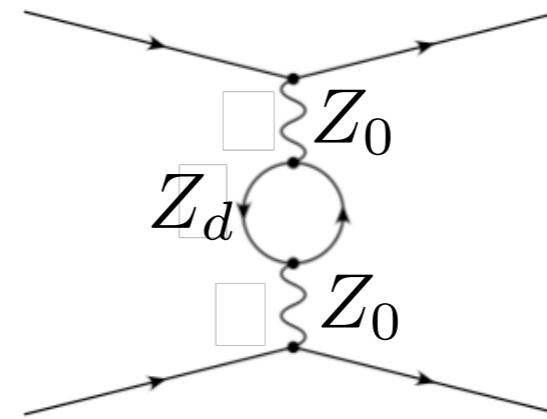
- Through a precise measurement of electron weak charge we can detect deviations from the SM calculations
- Possible deviations include doubly charged scalar that would lead to lepton number violations
- A dark Z which would only mix with the regular Z boson (would not be visible at colliders)
- Heavy Z's with mass in the TeV range
- Models where Lorentz Invariance could be violated show that our measurement could be sensitive to such effects

## Lepton Number Violation



$$\left| \frac{\Delta Q_W^e}{Q_W^e} \right| = 0.14 \frac{|h_{ee}|^2}{(M_\Delta/1 \text{ TeV})^2}$$

**5  $\sigma$  for  $h_{ee} \sim 1$  and  $M_\Delta \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$**



H. Davoudiasl, H-S. Lee and W. Marciano

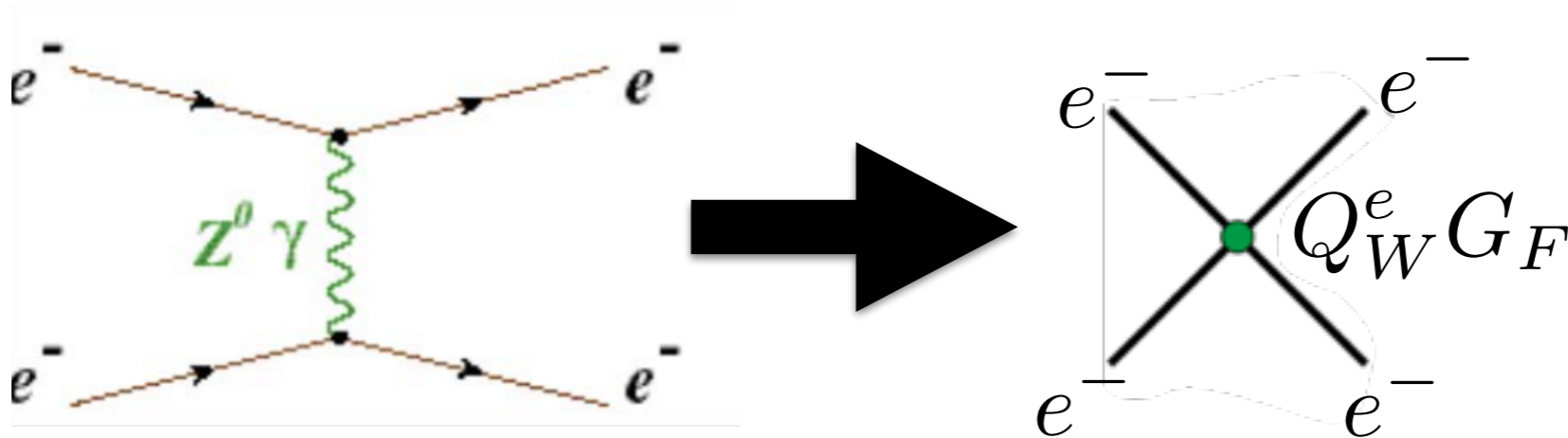
## Constraining Lorentz Invariance

$$\begin{aligned} \delta A(t) &= \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} \frac{E_k y (1-y) \sin^2 \theta_W}{(y^2 - y + 1)^2} \vec{k}(t) \cdot \vec{\xi} \\ &= \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} \frac{E_k^2 y (1-y) \sin^2 \theta_W}{(y^2 - y + 1)^2} \times \\ &\quad \left[ \sqrt{\xi_X^2 + \xi_Y^2} \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \chi} \cos \Omega_\oplus t + c_0 \right] \end{aligned}$$

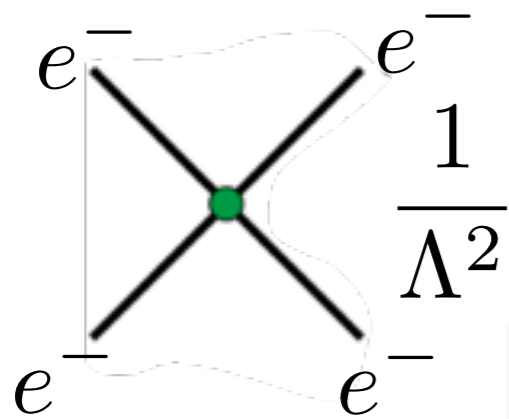
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# Effective Lagrangian



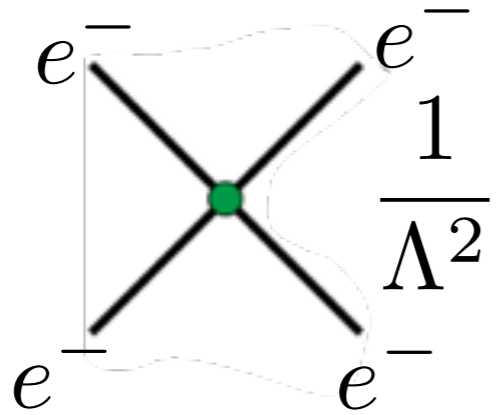
- At low  $Q^2 (\ll M_Z^2)$  the interaction can be modeled as an effective 4-fermion contact interaction
- Standard HEP way to introduce new physics through additional contact interactions



$$\mathcal{L}_{e_1 e_2} = \sum_{i,j=L,R} \frac{g_{ij}^2}{2\Lambda^2} \bar{e}_i \gamma_\mu e_i \bar{e}_j \gamma^\mu e_j$$

$$\frac{\delta Q_W^e}{Q_W^e} = 2.4\% \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{\Lambda}{\|\sqrt{g_{RR}^2 - g_{LL}^2}\|} = 7.5 \text{ TeV}$$

# Setting limits



$$\mathcal{L}_{e_1 e_2} = \sum_{i,j=L,R} \frac{g_{ij}^2}{2\Lambda^2} \bar{e}_i \gamma_\mu e_i \bar{e}_j \gamma^\mu e_j$$

$$g_{ij} = 4\pi\eta_{ij}$$

Model	$\eta_{LL}^f$	$\eta_{RR}^f$	$\eta_{LR}^f$	$\eta_{RL}^f$
$LL^\pm$	$\pm 1$	0	0	0
$RR^\pm$	0	$\pm 1$	0	0
$VV^\pm$	$\pm 1$	$\pm 1$	$\pm 1$	$\pm 1$

**LEP200 Reach**

$$\Lambda_{LL}^{ee} \sim 8.3 \text{ TeV}$$

**E158 Reach**

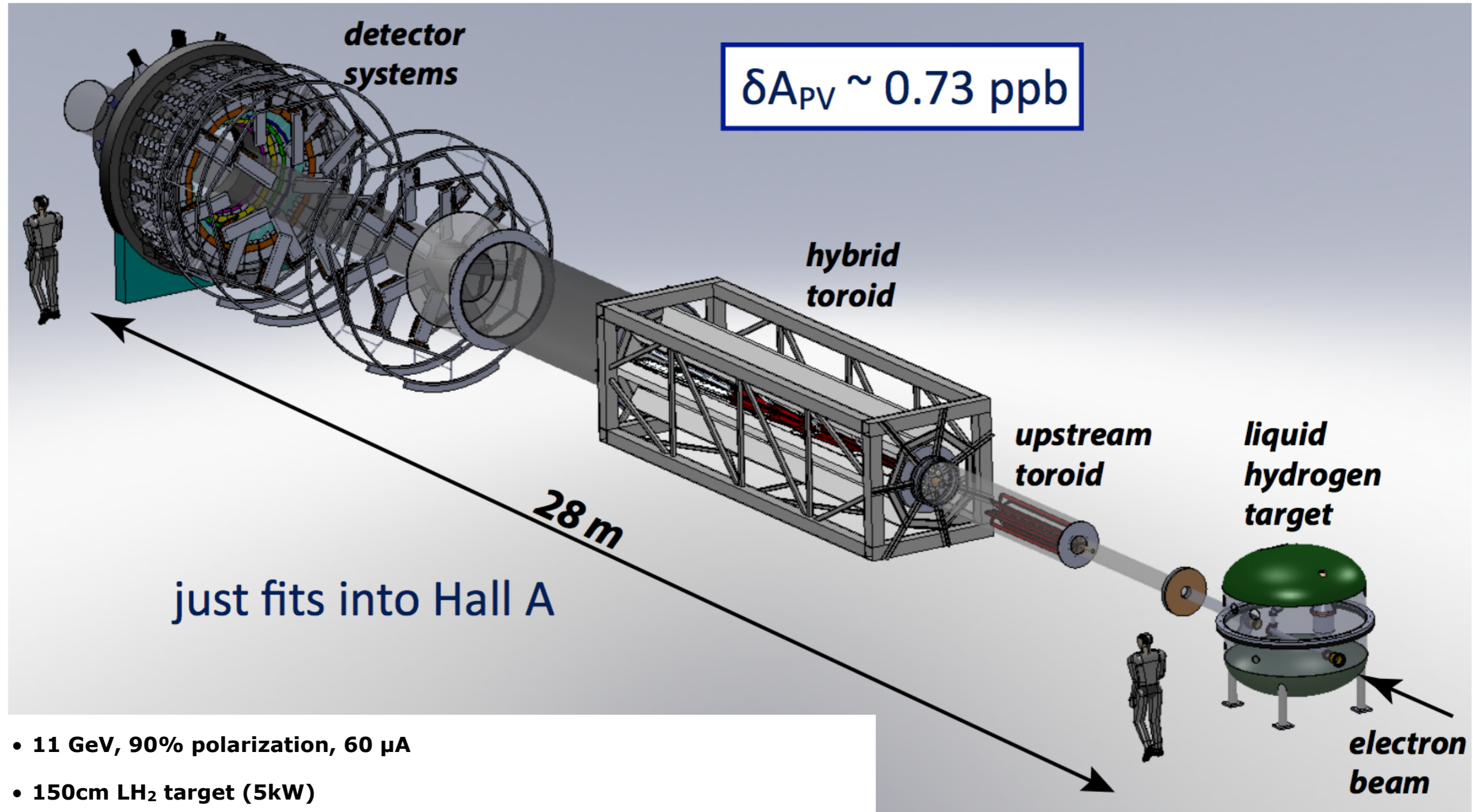
$$\Lambda_{LL}^{ee} \sim 12 \text{ TeV}$$

**MOLLER Reach**

$$\Lambda_{LL}^{ee} \sim 27 \text{ TeV}$$

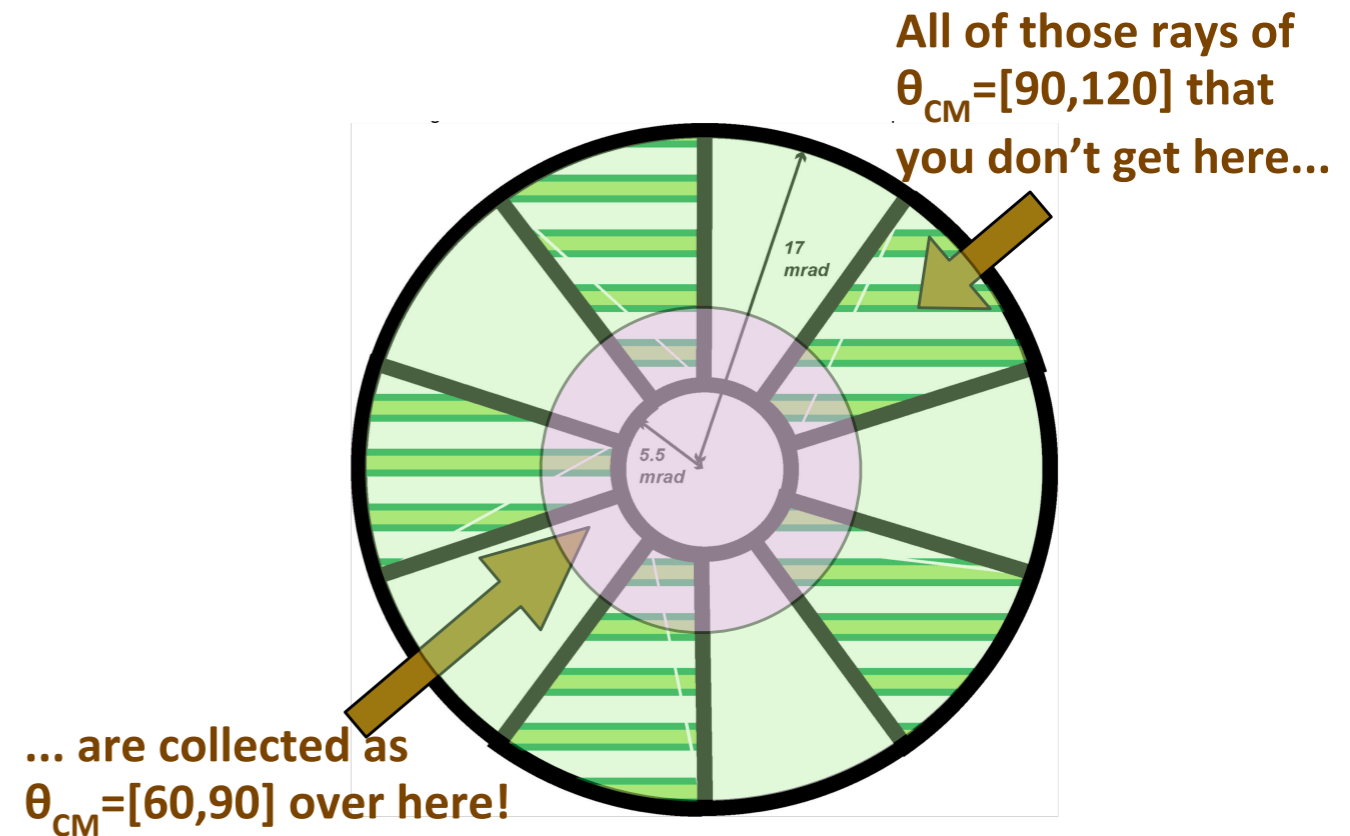
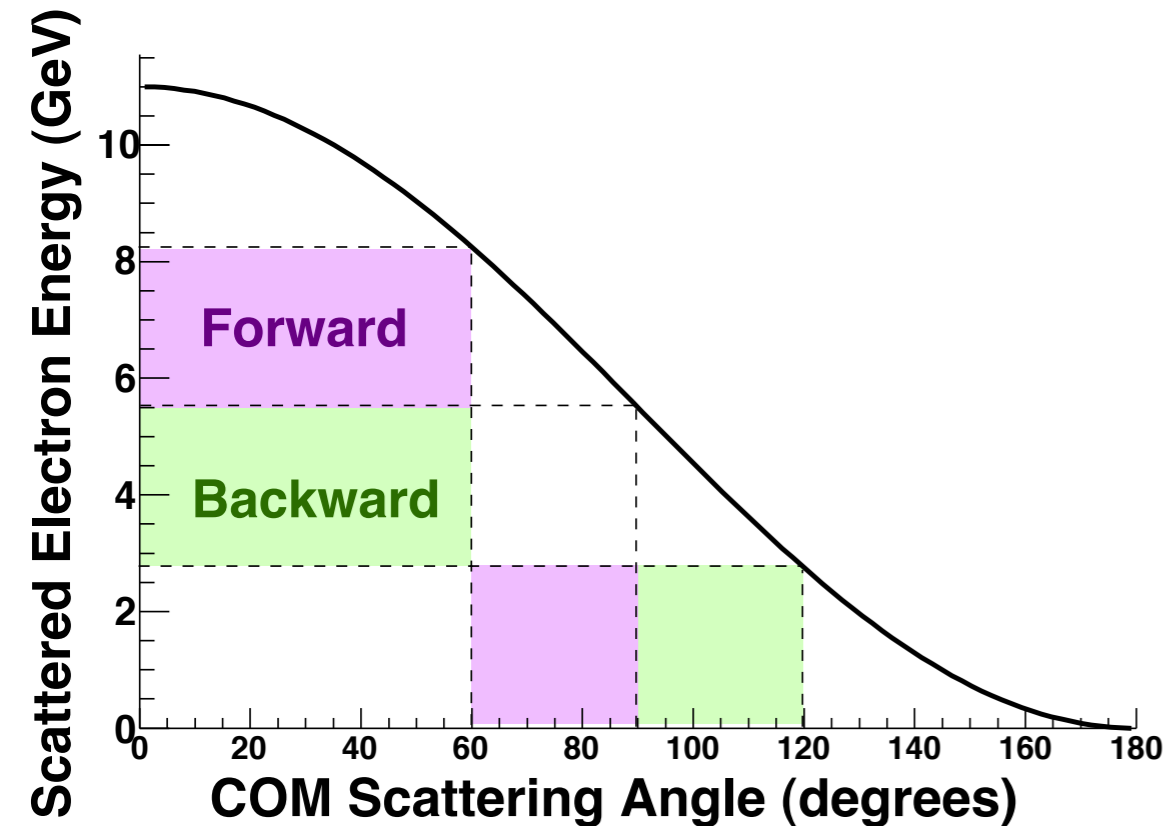
- Like E158 before it MOLLER will be able to set limits on leptonic BSM physics that will not be improved without the construction of a new lepton collider or neutrino factory

# MOLLER experiment in a nutshell



- 11 GeV, 90% polarization, 60  $\mu\text{A}$
- 150cm LH<sub>2</sub> target (5kW)
- Novel toroidal spectrometer
- Segmented integrating detectors + counting detectors (for background)

# Kinematics



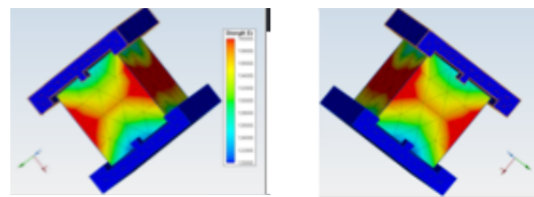
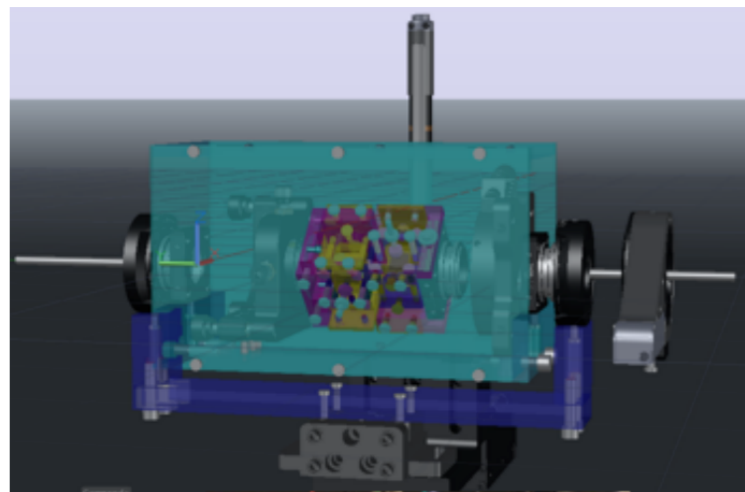
- The spectrometer design with an odd number of coils affords us the possibility to detector both forward and backward Moeller electrons in the same phi-bite



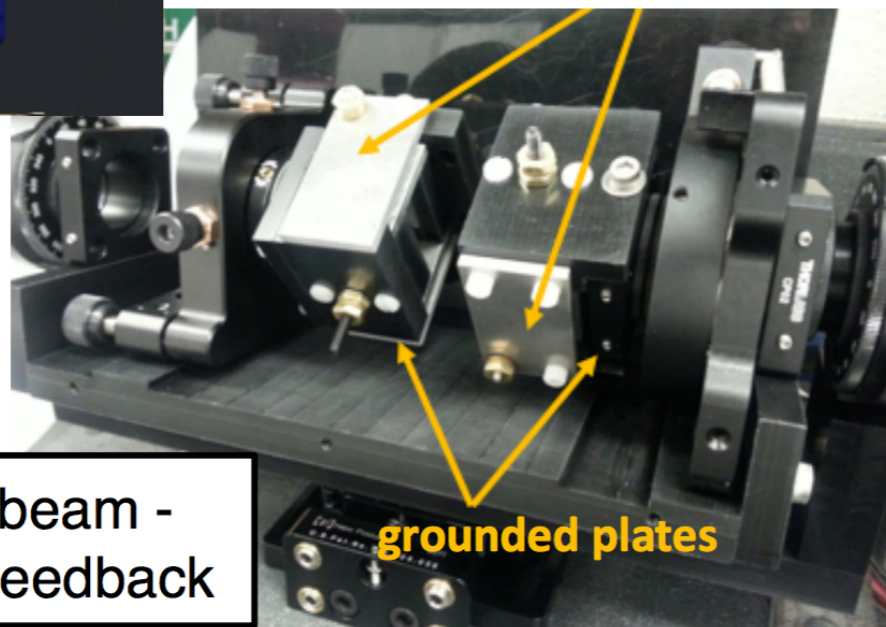
# Polarized Source

MOLLER requires a 2kHz helicity flip with a 10  $\mu$ s settle time (Qweak: 1kHz, 60  $\mu$ s)

## RTP upgrade (UVa):



E-field gradient steers beam - use effect for position feedback



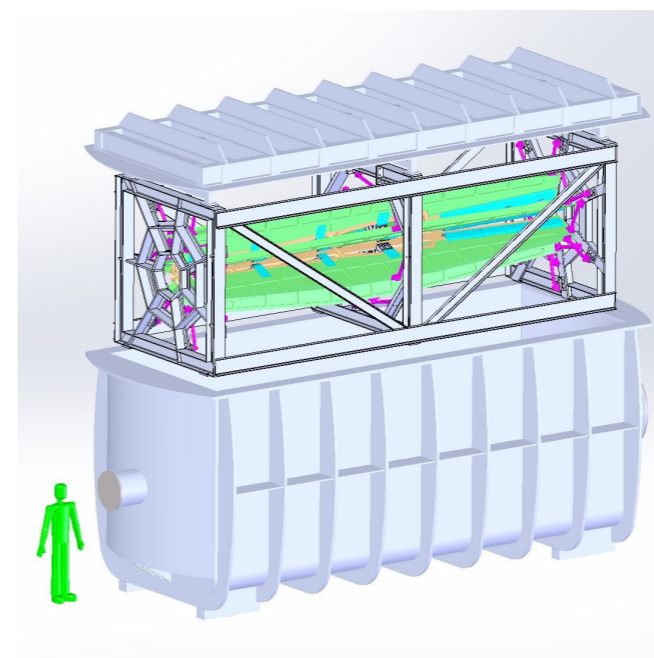
- The beam requirements for MOLLER will need a polarized source upgrade
- Caryn, Amali and Kent at UVa have conducted several successful beam tests replacing the KD\*P cell with a RTP cell
  - electron beam helicity correlated position differences on the order of 100 nm were reached, with clear path towards improvement
- Further studies are scheduled for 2018 to characterize the properties of this new setup

# Spectrometer update



\*courtesy of Ernie Ilhoff

- A test coil has been constructed
- Tests plan is in place to characterize and stress the coil
- Series of simulation studies needed to evaluate radiation load on coils is underway
- TOSCA field simulations are being produced to evaluate spectrometer construction tolerances, fringe fields and effects from environmental variations



Vacuum Tank  
Concept



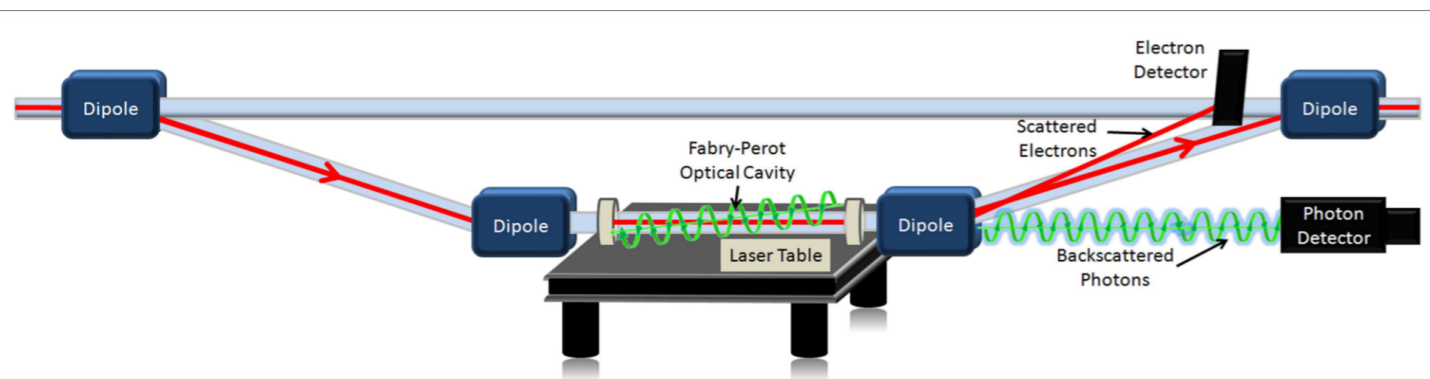
# Polarimetry

## Compton:

- The Compton was last successfully used during the DVCS Fall 2016 run
- Currently more work is needed for the laser table in order to get the system locking
- The photon detector works, with plans to upgrade the DAQ system
- Plans under way to recover functionality or replace electron detector

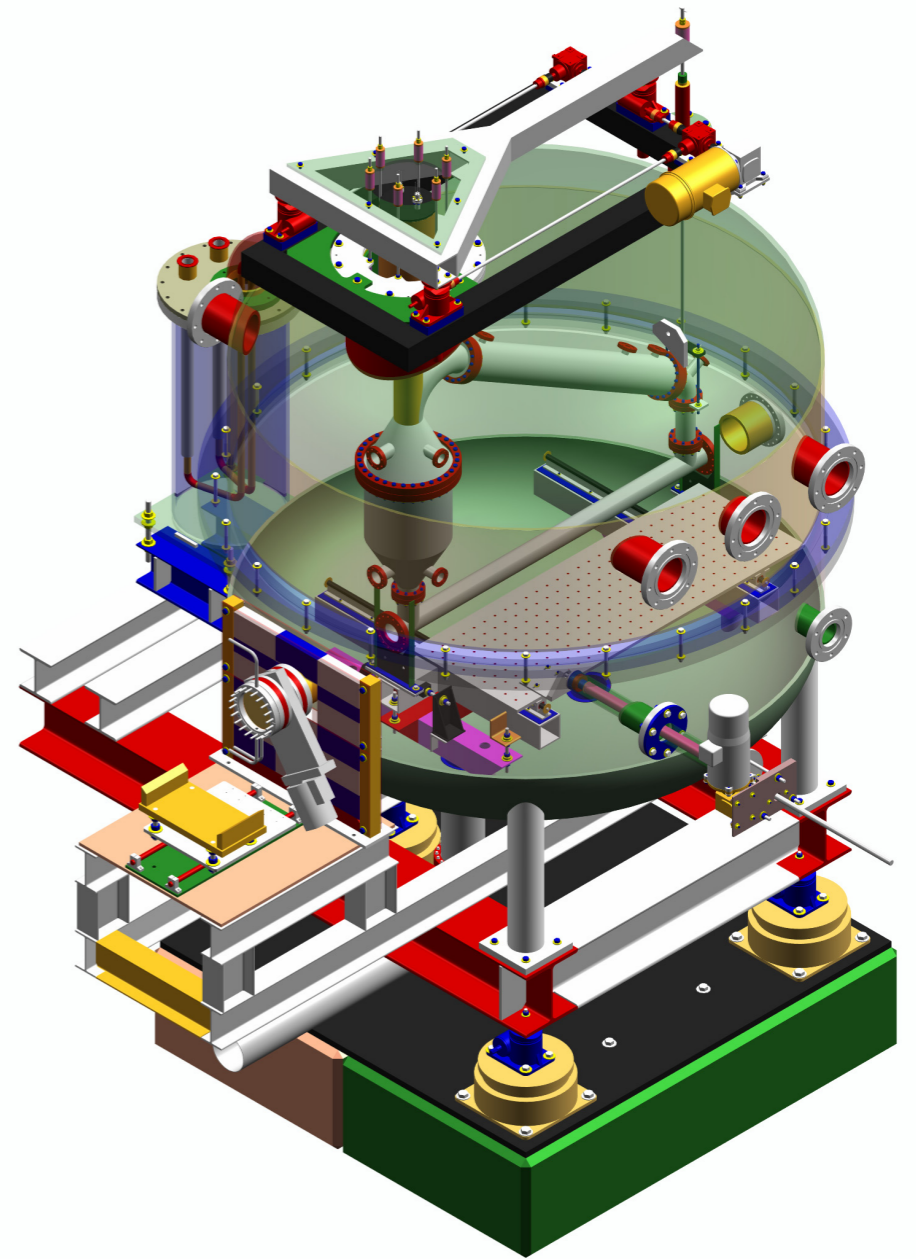
## MOLLER:

- The new target ladder designed and built at Temple has been extensively tested and is on track to provide fine angle controls
- Kerr effect studies are under way lead by Stony Brook
- A Geant4 based simulation is being developed and tested against old Geant3 simulation package
- The Quads are being modeled in TOSCA and implemented in the new simulation



# Target

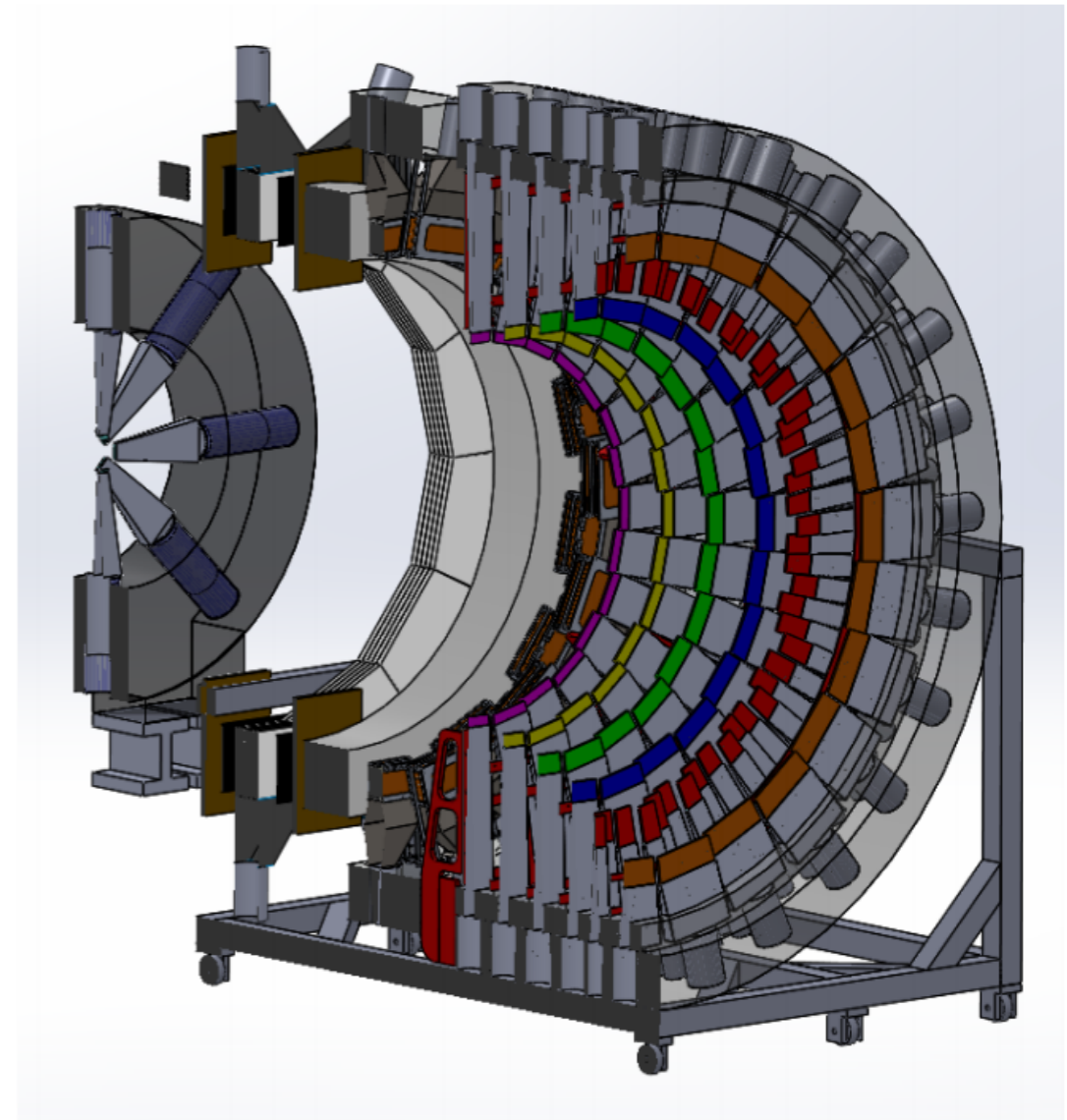
- Long 150 cm liquid hydrogen target makes use of the experience garnered from other PVES experiments (most recently Qweak)
- The starting point is the E158 target geometry
- Will take  $\sim 5\text{kW}$  of power (Qweak target was  $3\text{kW}$ )



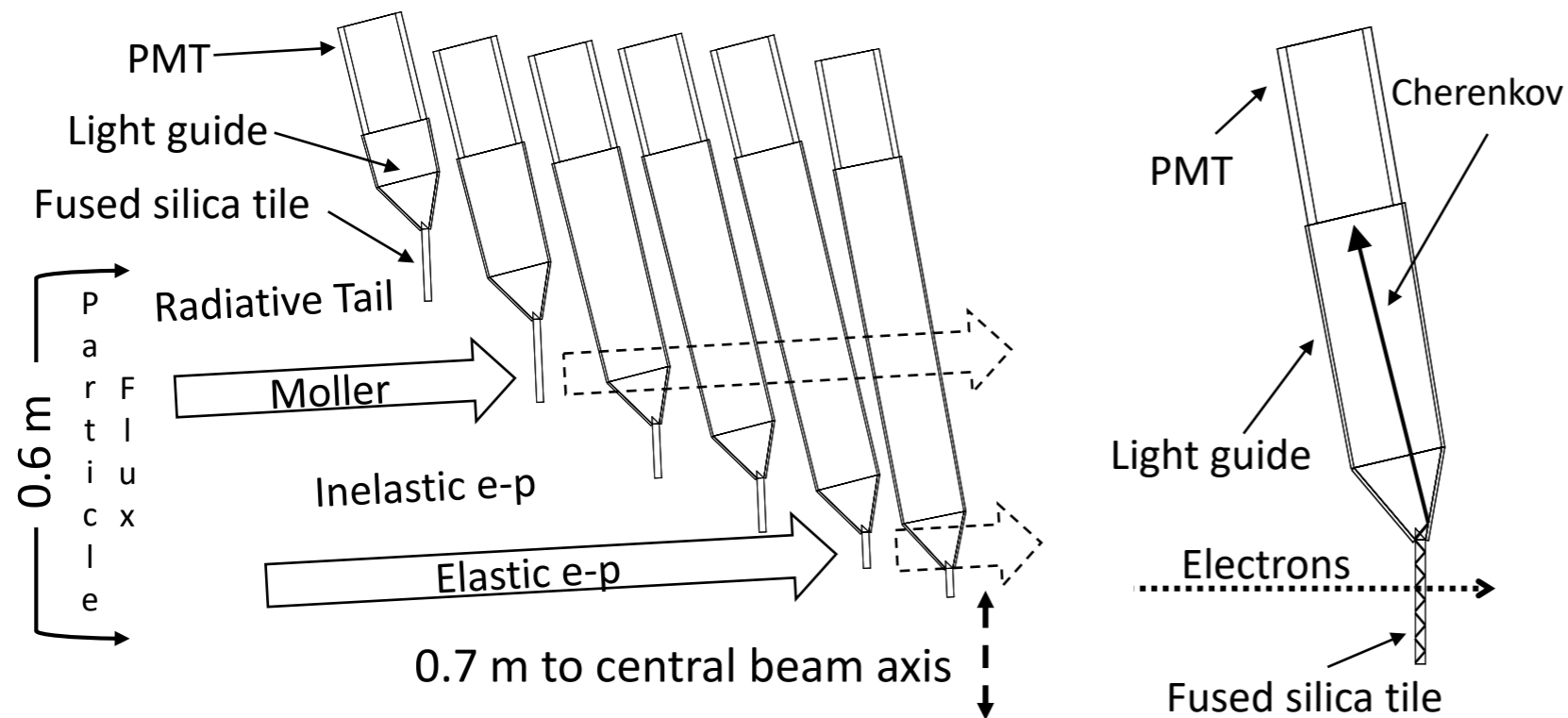


# Detectors

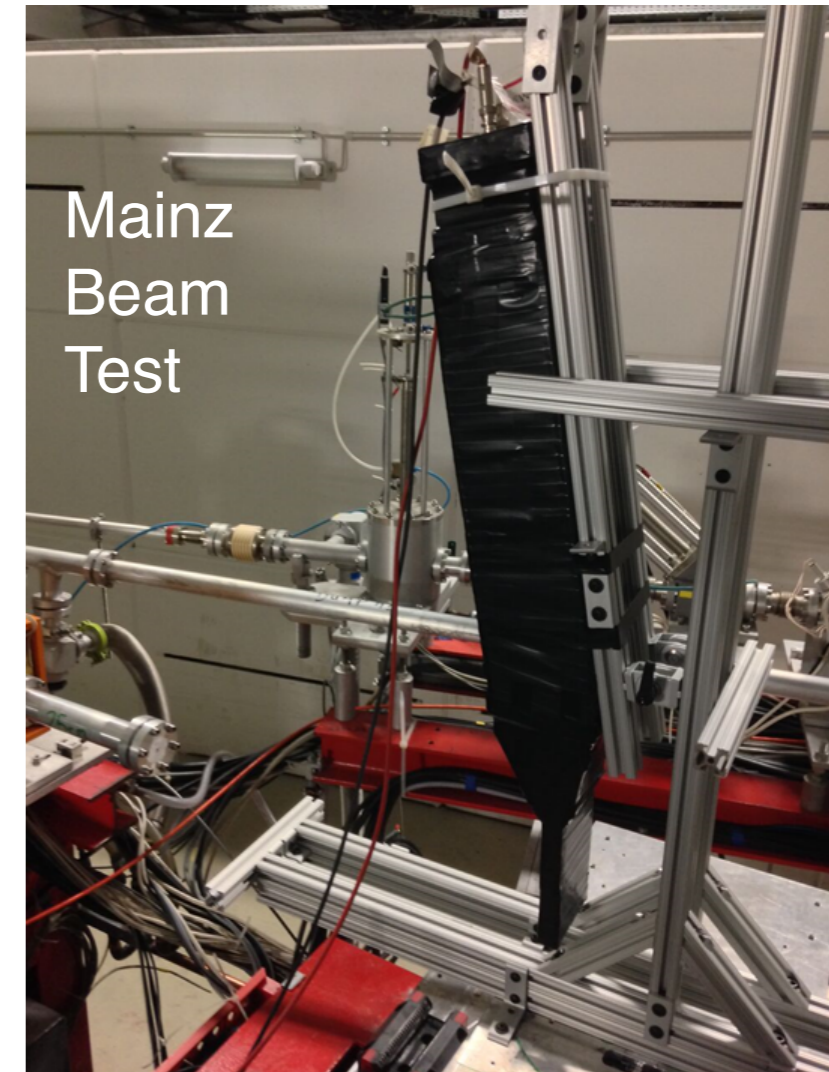
- We have a pretty well established detector geometry and mechanical design (SBU)
  - several beam tests have been performed to ensure we will have the necessary quality
  - working on mechanical supports and assembly
- Shower max detectors have already been prototyped (including mechanical assembly) and tested with the Mainz beam (ISU)
- Radiation exposure and hardness tests have been started (ISU)
- Pion detectors are being developed to directly measure this contribution to our experiment (W&M)



# Detectors: First publication

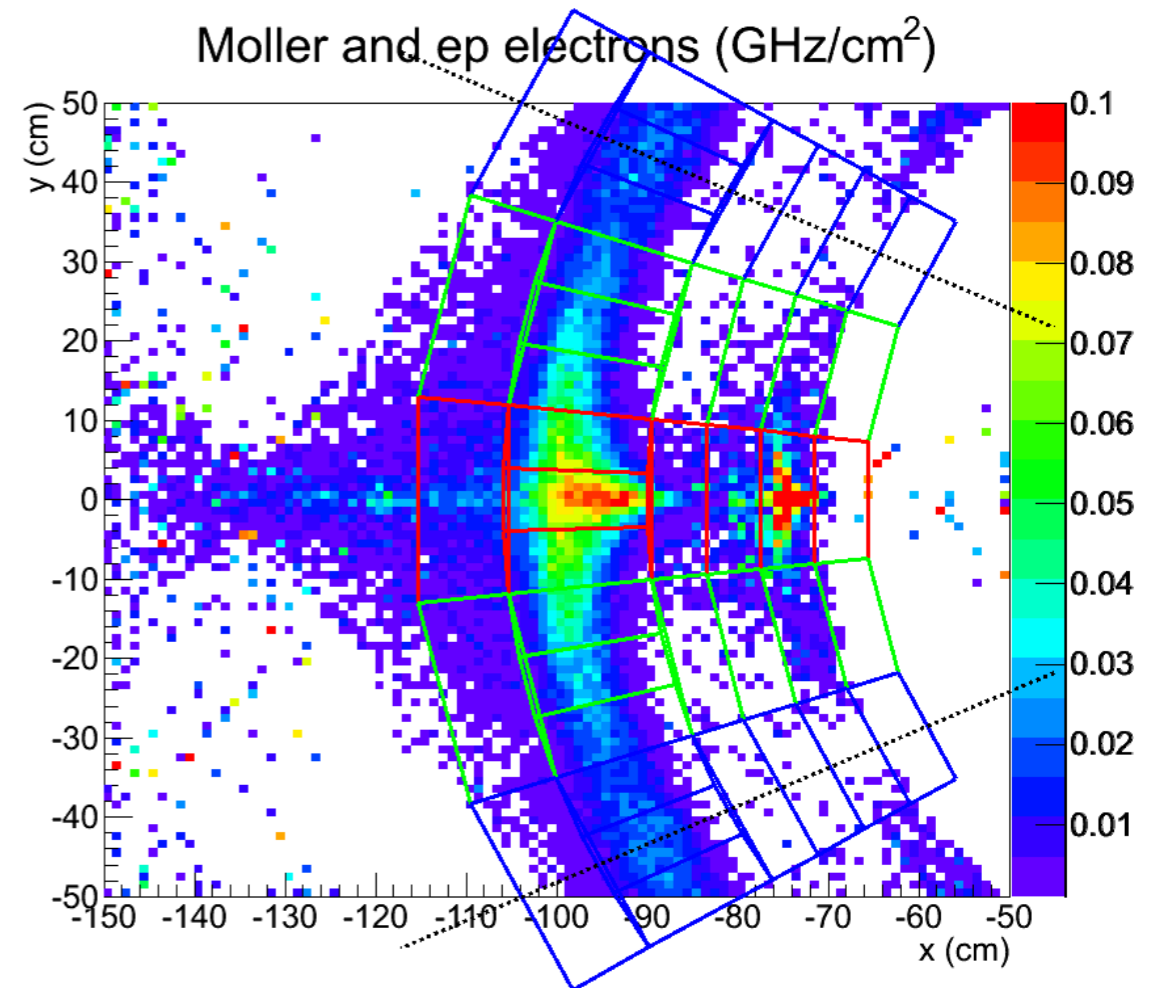
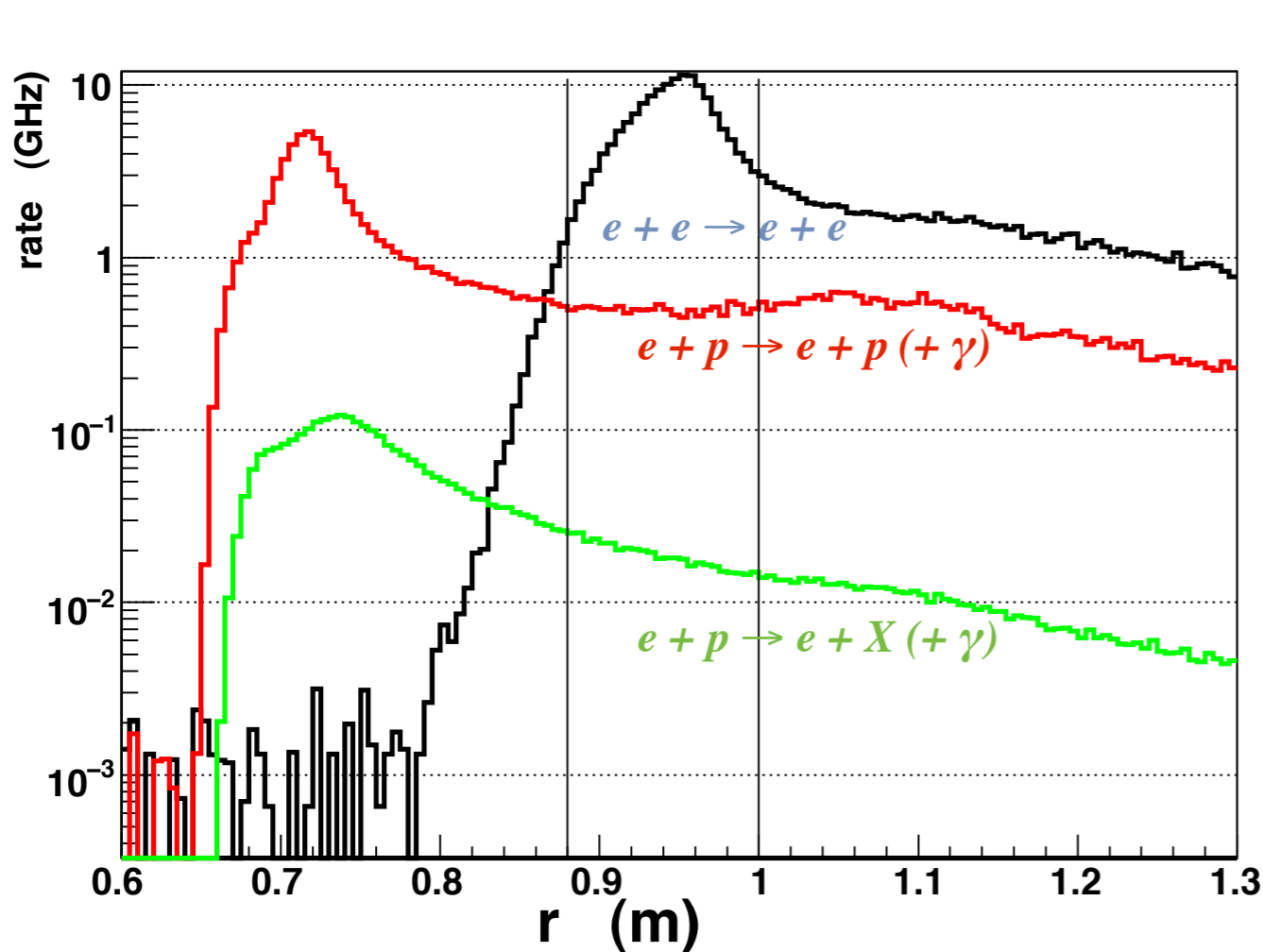


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- We used the MAMI facility in Mainz to test different light guide and quartz design
- The air filled light guide produced manageable backgrounds
  - several gases were tested
- Varying the incidence angle of the electrons and light guide blackening produced sizable improvements

# Physics signal and background rates

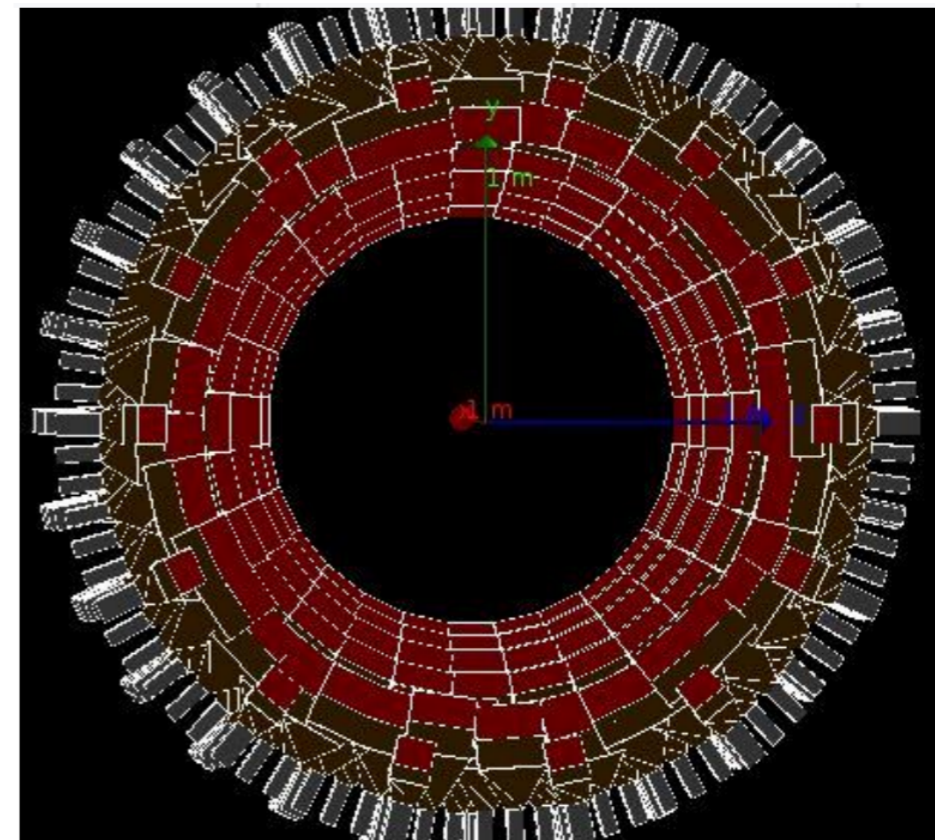
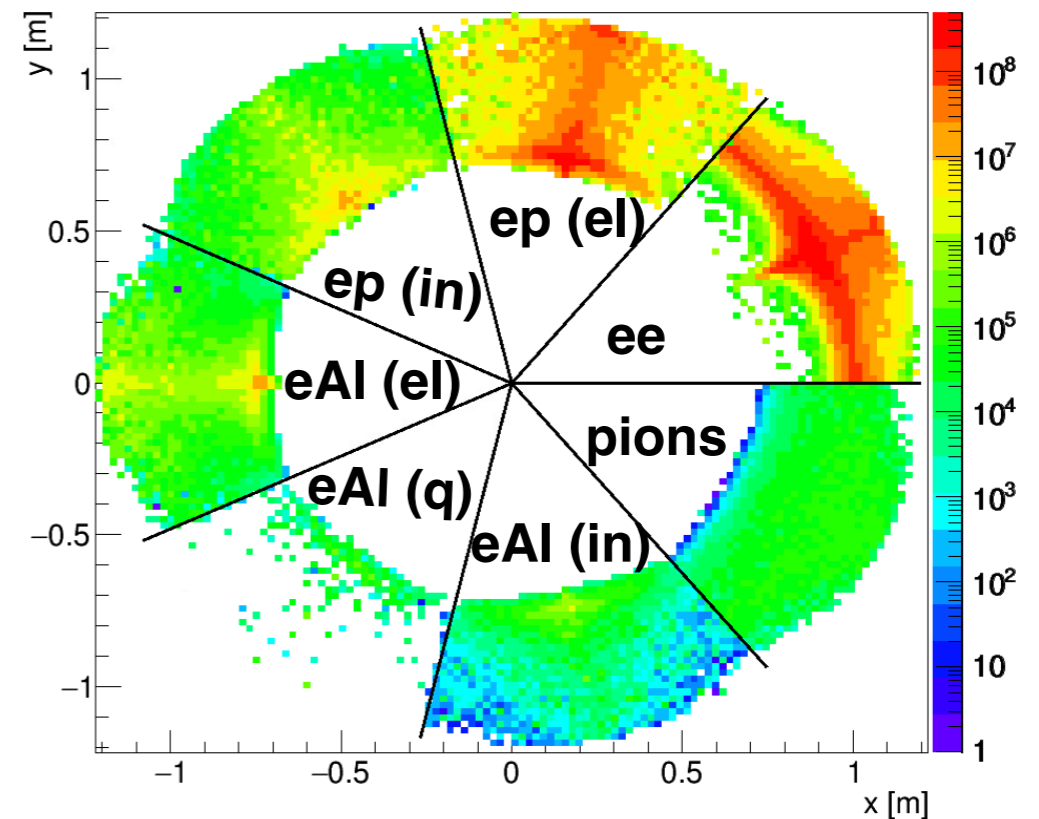


- Radial segmentation will enable for direct measurement of backgrounds
- Azimuthal segmentation will improve our asymmetry extraction



# Simulations

- Using already developed background and signal extraction methods we are optimizing the geometrical coverage of our quartz detectors (UVa)
- We are evaluating contributions from non-standard background (re-scattering, slit-scattering etc.) (Manitoba)
- We are investigating possible transverse analyzing power effects to evaluate systematics offsets (UVa)
- More and more detailed geometry is introduced in the simulation package and effect on other components is being evaluated



# Status

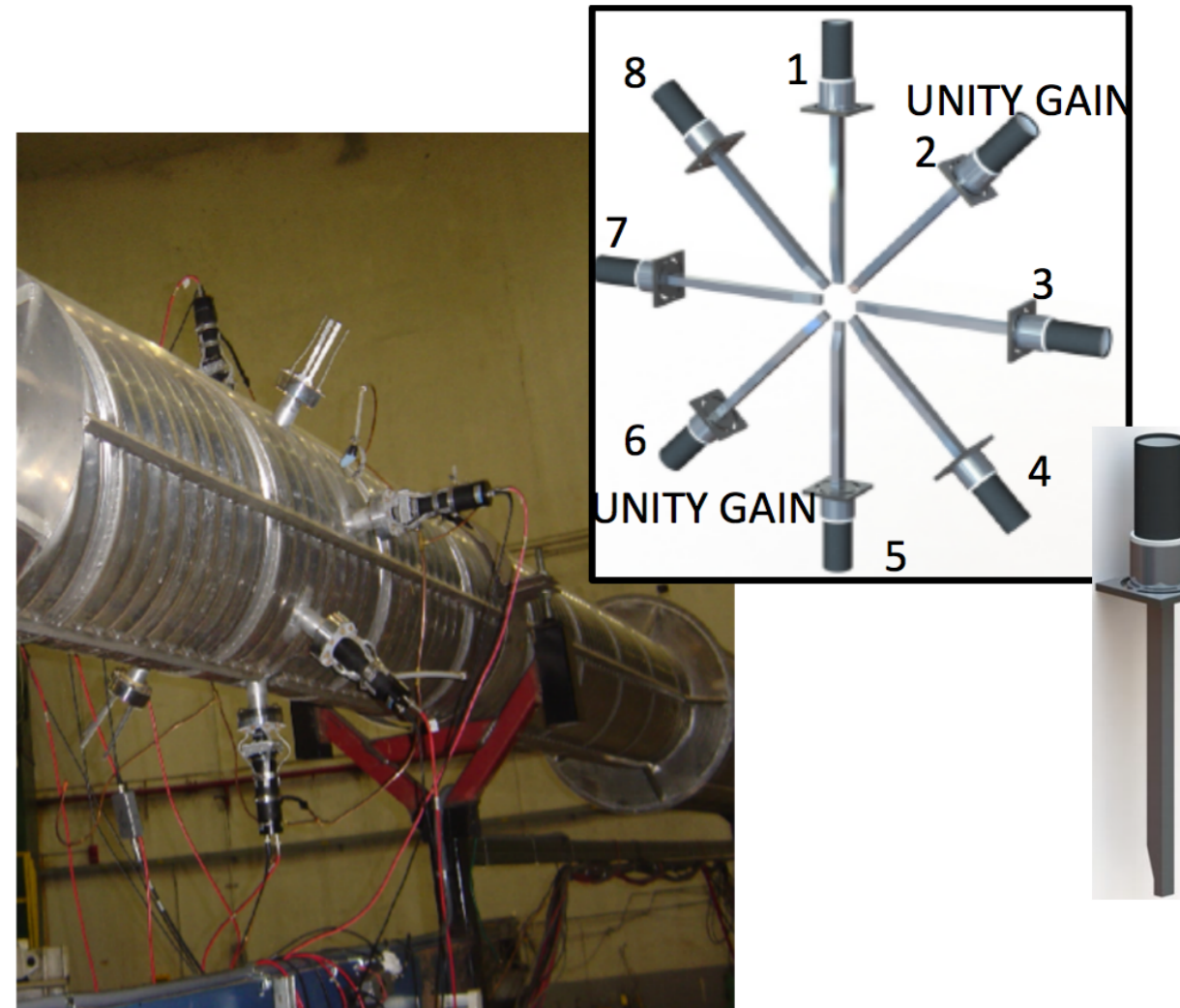
- We have ~120 collaborators from 30 institutions and 5 countries
  - lots of PVES experience from E158, SAMPLE, A4, HAPPEX, G0, PREX, Qweak
- After successful CD-0 review the project is still in a “paused” state
- The collaboration is hard at work improving the design of the detector, shielding, spectrometer, and target
- Our main working groups are very active with an emphasis on dealing with recommendations from previous reviews
- We will have a collaboration meeting later this summer to assess progress and plot course forward

# Summary

- The MOLLER experiment will have the largest reach for BSM physics in the foreseeable future
- Our collaboration is making good progress on all fronts towards realization of the technical aspects needed to stage this experiment

# Beam monitoring

- Dustin McNulty (Idaho State) constructed and installed Small Angle Monitors in the Hall A beam line
- These detectors were used parasitically during the DVCS/Gmp run to test and characterize our current beam charge monitors
  - Analysis is underway
- Further characterization will need specific conditions (solid target) and higher currents and helicity flip rates
- Plans are being developed to implement new beam monitoring techniques at LBNL (Yury Kolomensky)



- 8 quartz detectors with light guides placed around beam line downstream of pivot
- Symmetric design helps disentangle beam position and angle HCBP's
- For large dynamic range, mix 'n matched

# Uncertainty table

Beam Property	Assumed Sensitivity	Accuracy of Correction	Required 2 kHz random fluctuations	Required cumulative helicity-correlation	Systematic contribution
Intensity	1 ppb / ppb	$\sim 1\%$	$< 1000$ ppm	$< 10$ ppb	$\sim 0.1$ ppb
Energy	-1.4 ppb / ppb	$\sim 10\%$	$< 108$ ppm	$< 0.7$ ppb	$\sim 0.05$ ppb
Position	0.85 ppb / nm	$\sim 10\%$	$< 47$ $\mu\text{m}$	$< 1.2$ nm	$\sim 0.05$ ppb
Angle	8.5 ppb / nrad	$\sim 10\%$	$< 4.7$ $\mu\text{rad}$	$< 0.12$ nrad	$\sim 0.05$ ppb

Error Source	Fractional Error (%)
<b>Statistical</b>	<b>2.1</b>
Absolute Normalization of the Kinematic Factor	0.5
Beam (second order)	0.4
Beam polarization	0.4
$e + p(+\gamma) \rightarrow e + X(+\gamma)$ <b>All systematics required at sub-1% level</b>	0.4
Beam (position, angle, energy)	0.4
Beam (intensity)	0.3
$e + p(+\gamma) \rightarrow e + p(+\gamma)$	0.3
$\gamma^{(*)} + p \rightarrow (\pi, \mu, K) + X$	0.3
Transverse polarization	0.2
Neutral background (soft photons, neutrons)	0.1
<b>Total systematic</b>	<b>1.1</b>