

Timelike Compton Scattering off transversely polarized proton

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Proposal for Hall C, with NPS and CPS collaborations**

This proposal

Following E12-18-005 conditionally approved (C2) in 2018

Main TAC concerns in 2018

- high rates in hodoscopes
- proton tracking accuracy

Main updates:

- hodoscopes replaced by GEM+scintillators hodoscopes for proton detection and tracking
- trigger with GEM+scintillators+calorimeter
- improved background and tracking studies

This presentation:

- 1) New additions to the setup**
- 2) Other parts of the experimental setup**
- 3) Physics goals of our experiment**
- 4) Analysis and what is expected**

Experimental setup

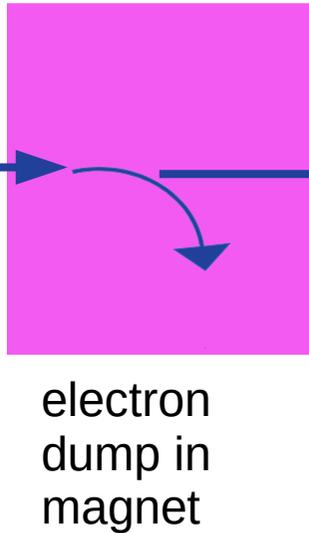
$$\gamma P \rightarrow e^+ e^- P'$$

All 3 final particles in coincidence detected

11 GeV
85% pol.
2.5 μ A

electron
(CEBAF)

Compact Photon
Source (CPS)



Transverse polarized
 NH_3 target (DNP)
3 cm long (JLab/UVa)

5.5-11 GeV
photons, 50-85%
circularly polarized
 1.5×10^{12} γ /sec

P'
21.7°

$\pm 6^\circ$ horizontal / 17° vertical

GEM

spectrometer part
PbWO₄
calorimeters
(Neutral Particle
Spectrometer, NPS)

e^+

e^-

scintillator
hodoscopes

Top view cartoon

$\sim 2\text{m}$

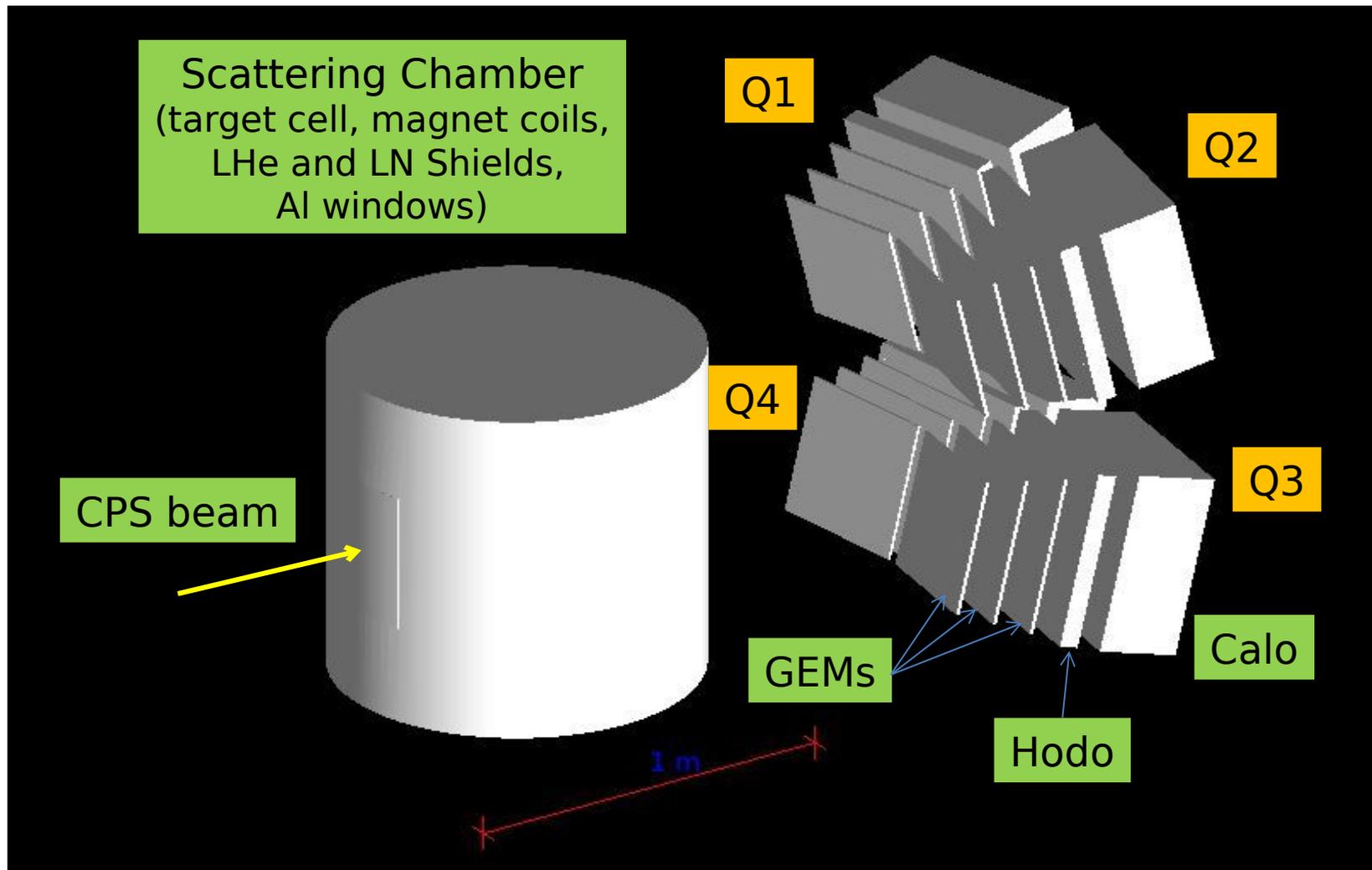
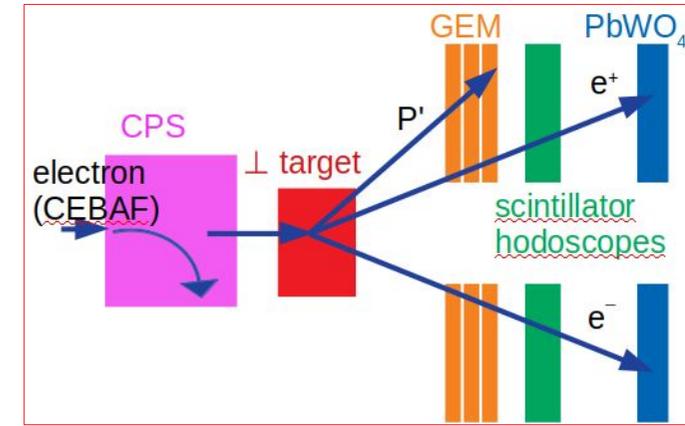
$\sim 1.5\text{m}$

Trigger: GEMs, hodoscopes, calorimeters (all 3 particles)

Integrated luminosity: 5.85×10^5 pb^{-1} for 30 PAC days of "physics"

Experimental setup

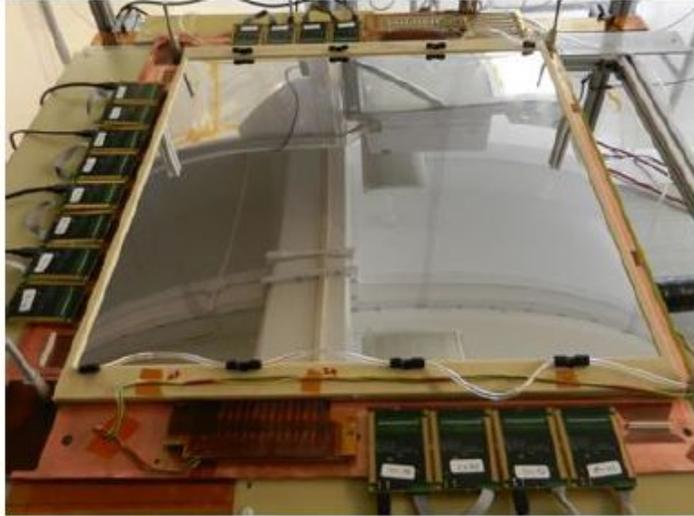
- Radiator: Compact Photon Source
- Target: \perp polarization, NH_3
- **GEMs (new), scintillator hodoscopes**
- Calorimeters: PbWO_4
- Trigger: 3 particles, GEM+hodoscope+calorimeter



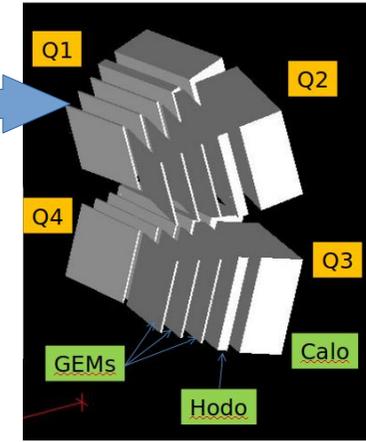
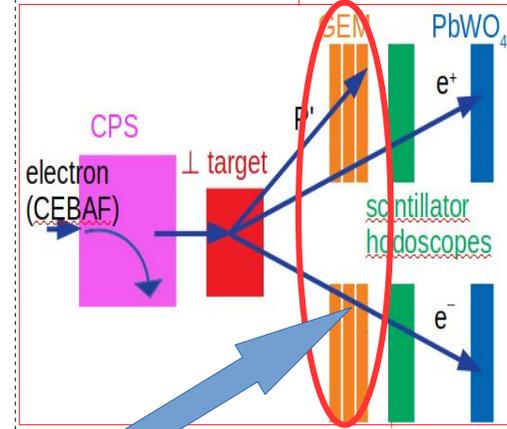
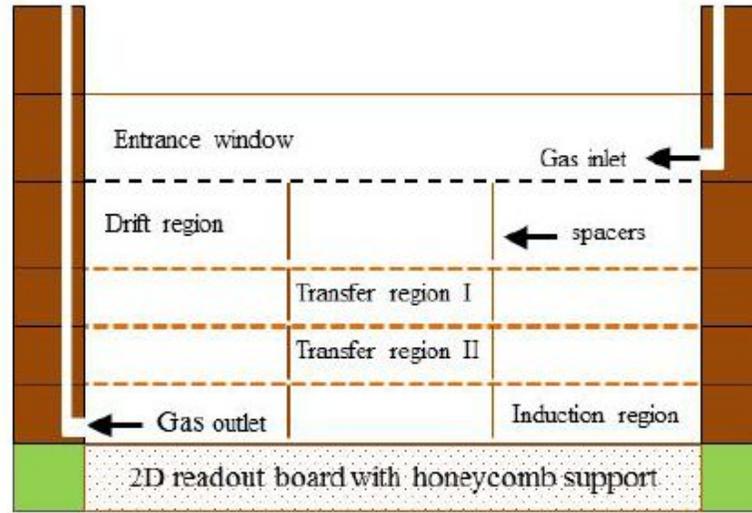
Trackers: GEM

Main addition to our setup since 2018

SBS BT GEM prototype

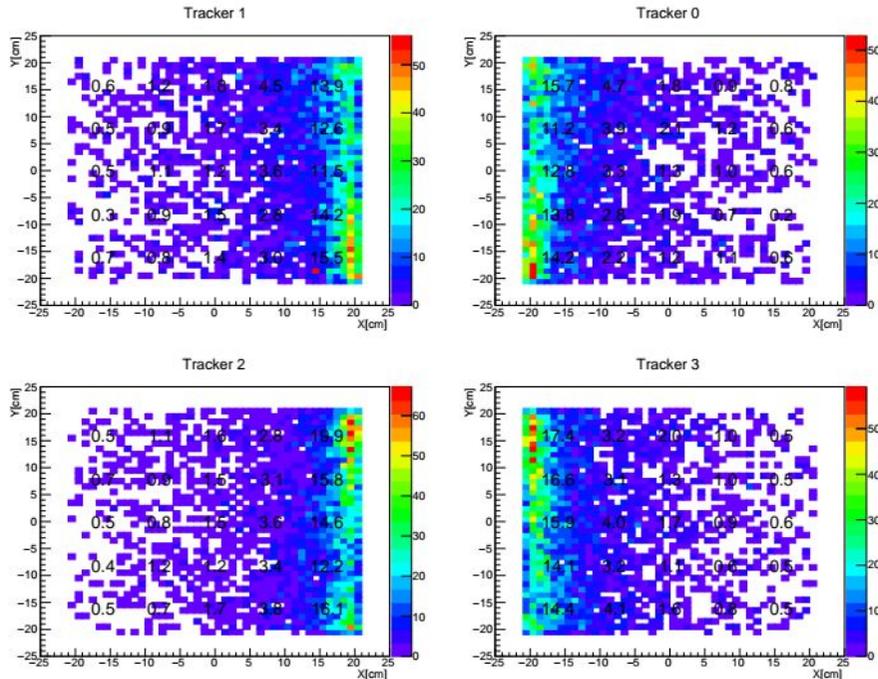


4 groups, 3 layers
SBS BT GEM module



from: Gnanvo et al. NIM. A 782 (2015)

Beam background [MHz/cm²], UVA trans. pol. target, signal > 0 p.e., layer 2.



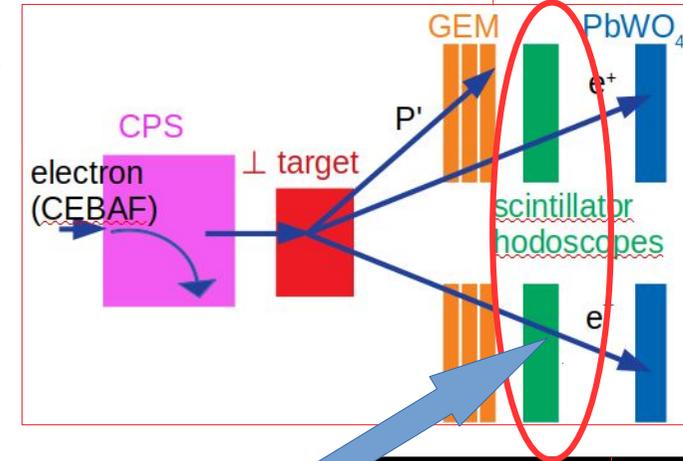
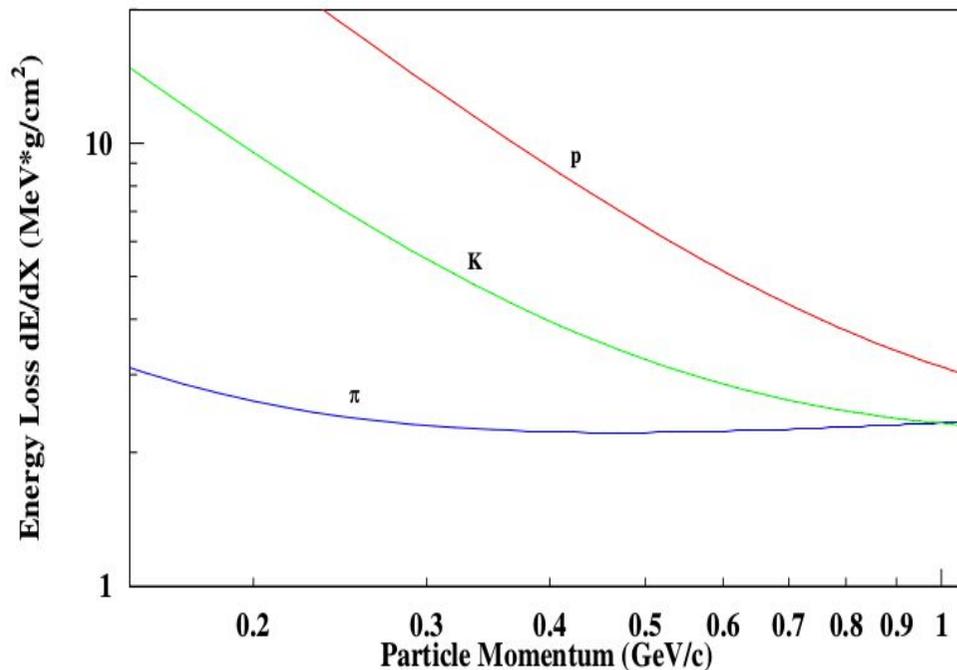
- Tolerance rate 10^6 Hz/mm²
 - Tracking accuracy: $\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$
 - Tolerance to magnetic field: 1.4 T [as tested with BONUS]
 - 3 parallel layers, split in 4 symmetric quadrants 50x50 cm
- As per several Hall A experiments using SBS, PRad, SoLID

Trackers: scintillator hodoscopes

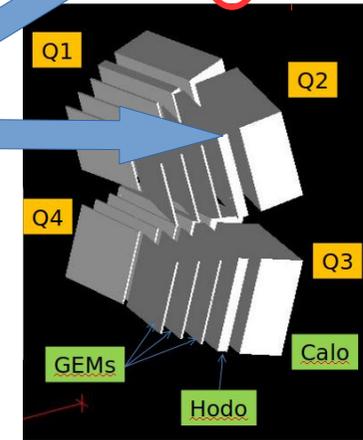
Modification to our setup since 2018

- 2x2x5 cm³ active elements scintillators with light detectors on the rear
- Along particle trajectory
- dE/dX for low momentum protons, complete tracking

dE/dx for protons, π and K vs momentum



4 groups



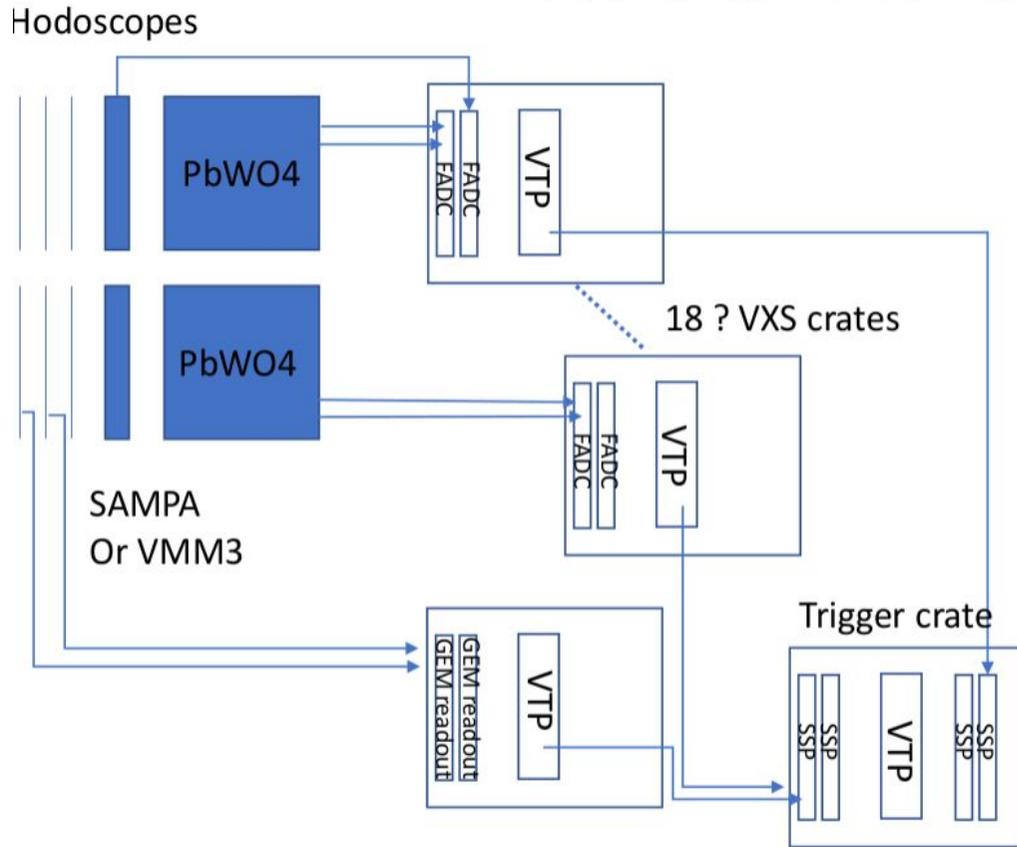
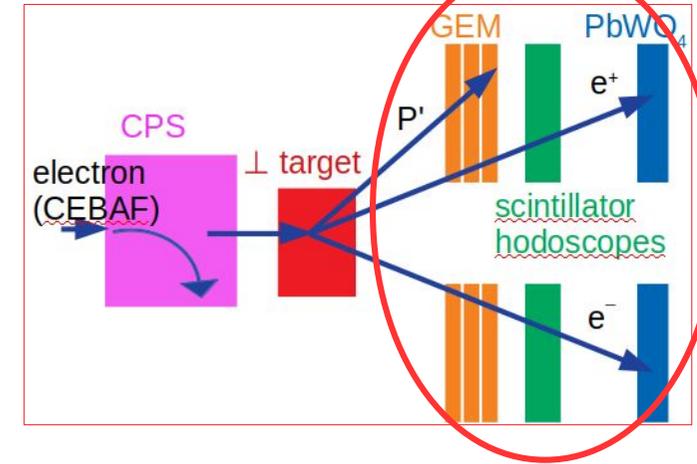
Note:

particles bended by target magnetic field

Trigger and DAQ

Main modification to our setup since 2018

$\gamma P \rightarrow e^+ e^- P'$ 3 final particle in trigger



4 x 23x23 crystals and scintillators

= 2116 x 2 = 4,232 fADC

4 x (5 layers of GEM chambers 50 cm x 50 cm)

= 16 x 2 x 500/0.4 = 50,000 channels of VMM3

VTP : VXS Trigger Processor

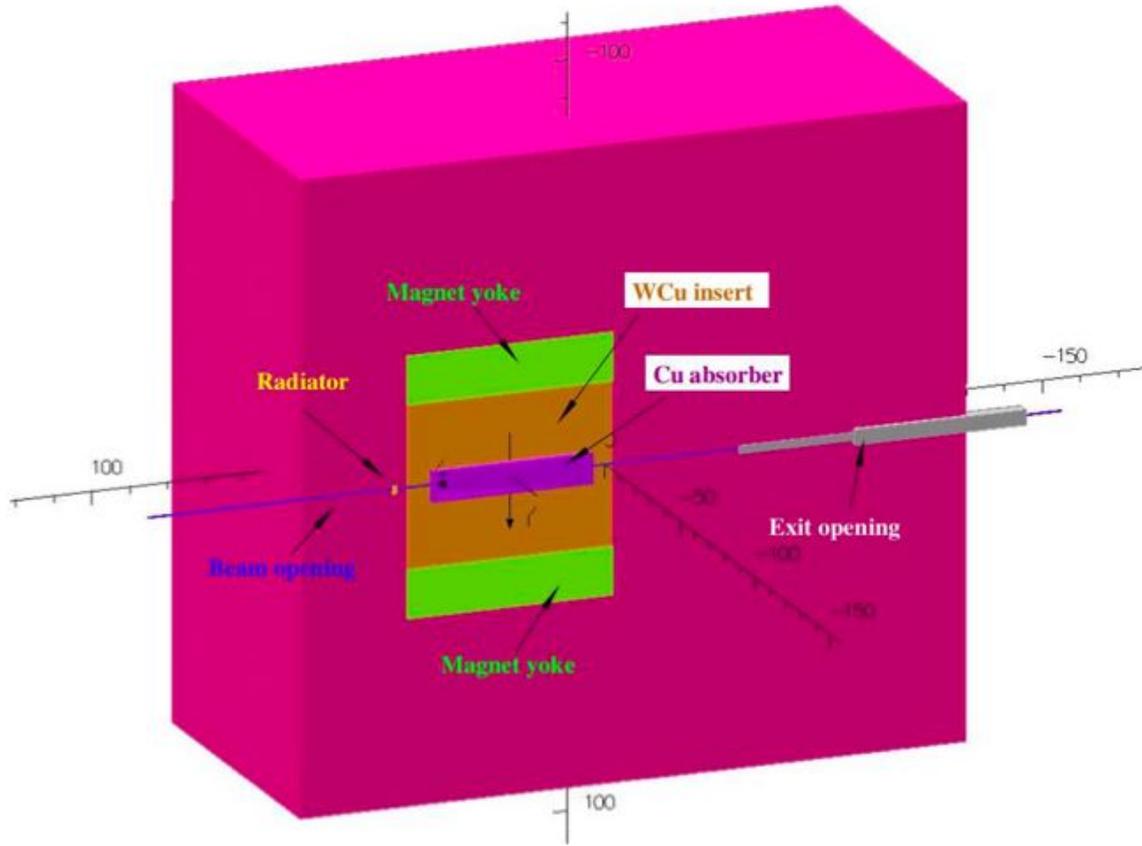
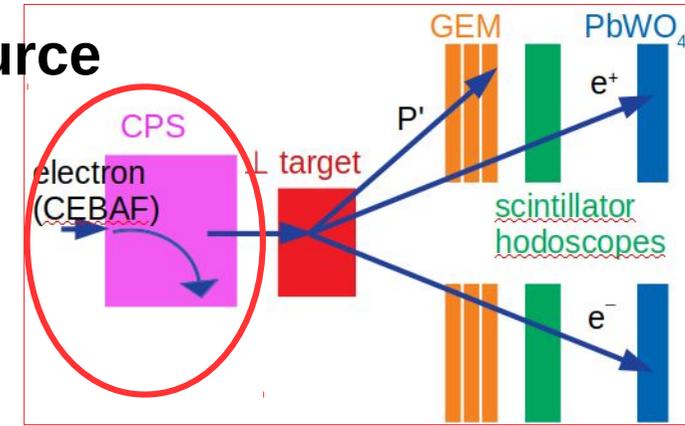
Trigger level 1

1. Request 2 strongest clusters **in the calorimeters**, in the opposite quadrants, with energy > 1 GeV each, with combined energy > 5 GeV
2. Request energy depositions **in 2 hodoscope blocks**, correlated in time and location with the calorimeter clusters.

Trigger level 2

3. Request 2 coincident clusters in the calorimeters (e^+ , e^-)
4. Request hit in scintillator (recoil proton) correlated in time with the calorimeter clusters, and corresponding 2 hits out of 3 in GEM-s.

Radiator: Compact Photon Source



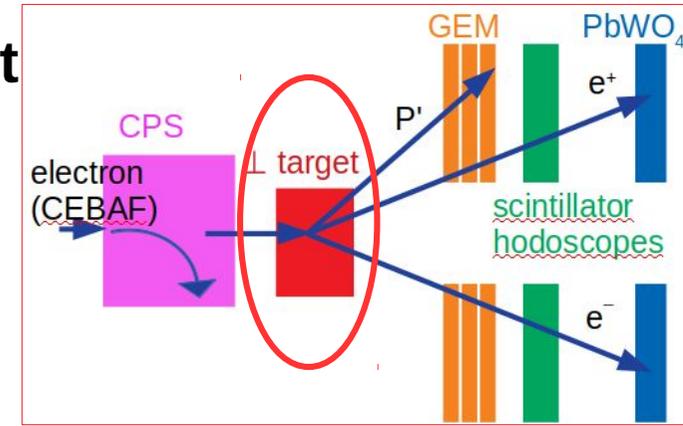
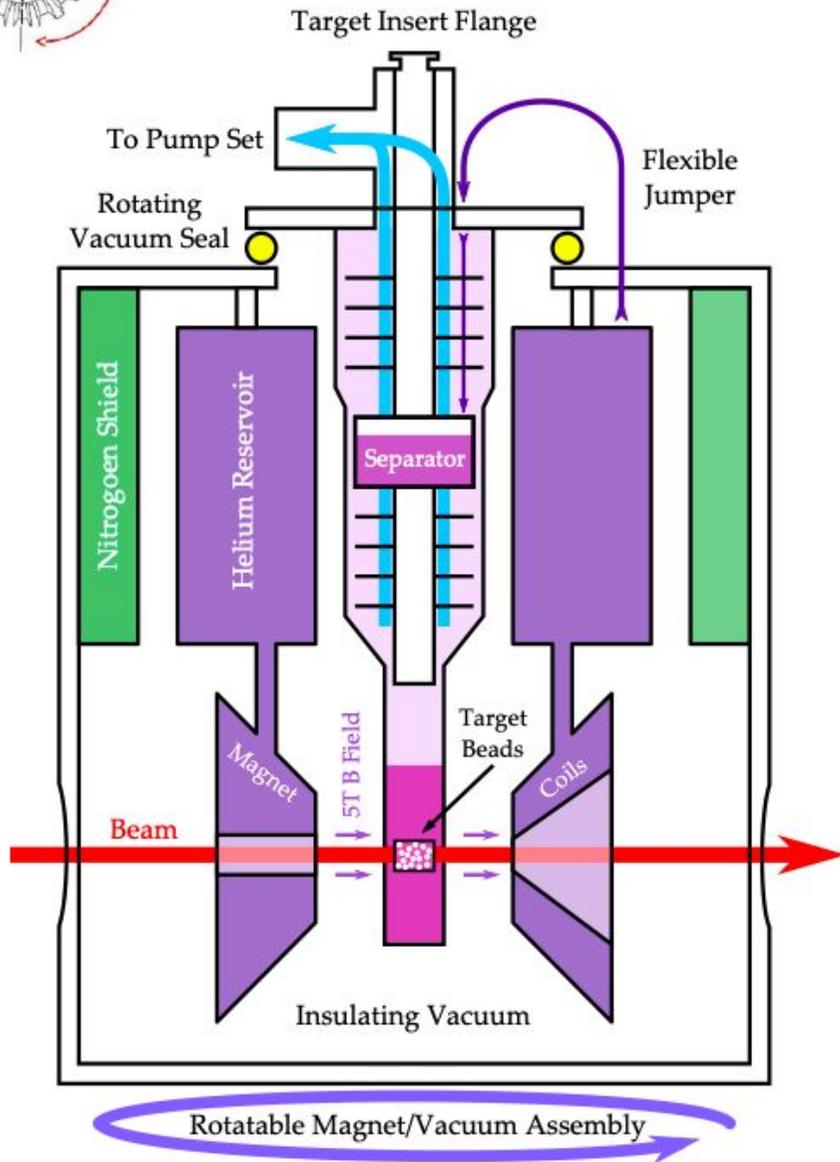
- 10% Cu radiator
- used for beam dump with 3.2 T warm magnet
- W/Cu shielding: minimal radiation, negligible interference with target field
- 1.5×10^{12} γ/s at 2.5 μA , 5.5 to 11 GeV (5.8×10^5 pb^{-1} integrated luminosity)
- ~ 1 mm spot size at 2m

used for WACS approved experiment, in development

Transverse JLab/UVA polarized target



rotating cell,
beam "spiral"



- Target: $^{15}\text{NH}_3$ in ^4He at 1K, 0.6 packing fraction
- DNP at 140 GHz; 20 W RF field
- **5T magnetic field by superconducting Helmholtz coils used for bending particles in spectrometer**
- "live" polarization monitoring by NMR
- Acceptance: $\pm 17^\circ$ horizontal, $\pm(6^\circ-21.7^\circ)$ vertical
- Up/down (~ 10 mm) and 1 Hz rotation of target cup to avoid radiation damage and depolarization effects
- Dilution factor (from MC) for our reaction $\sim 20\%$
- Rotation 90° of magnet and scattering chamber for \perp

used for several other 6/12 GeV experiments

Target magnetic field for tracking: mapping before/during commissioning

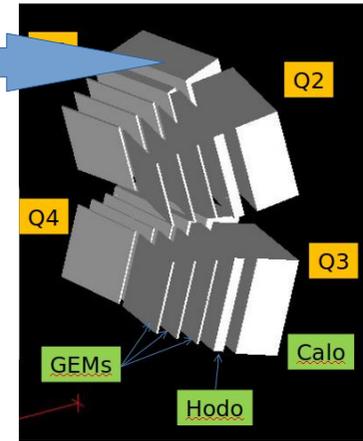
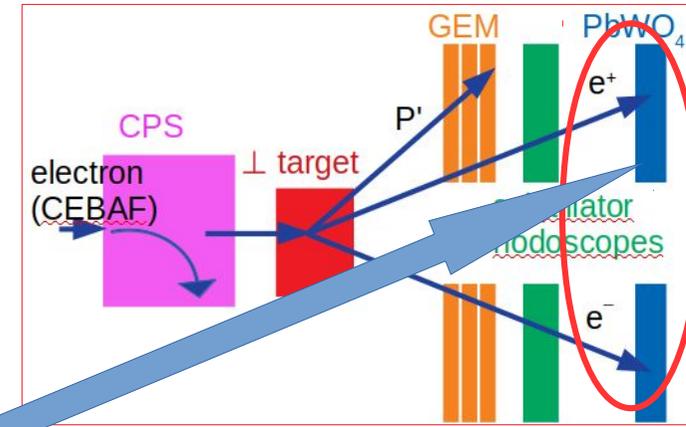
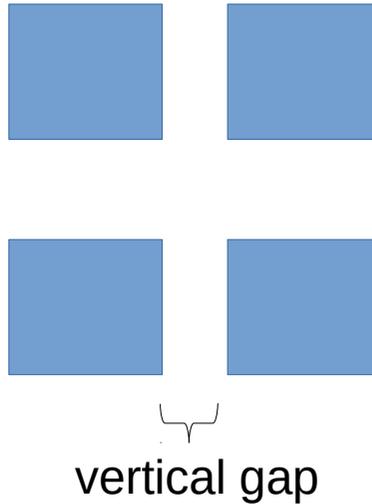
Calorimeters



crystals
(NPS
collaboration)

half crystals used for
other experiments:
DVCS...

4 symmetrical parts:



- 2x2x20 PbWO₄ calorimeters: 2116 blocks total divided in 4 groups of 23x23 matrix (active area .74m²)
- Hamamatsu R4125 PMTs (3/4" diameter bialkali photocathode)
- 22.5 radiation lengths deep
- Vertical aperture $\theta = \pm 1.6^\circ$: region affected by high rates from transverse magnetic field [BH region]
- Resolutions $2.5/\sqrt{E} + 1\%$, $\sigma_x \approx 3\text{mm}$ at 1 GeV
- In-situ calibration using π^0 electroproduction

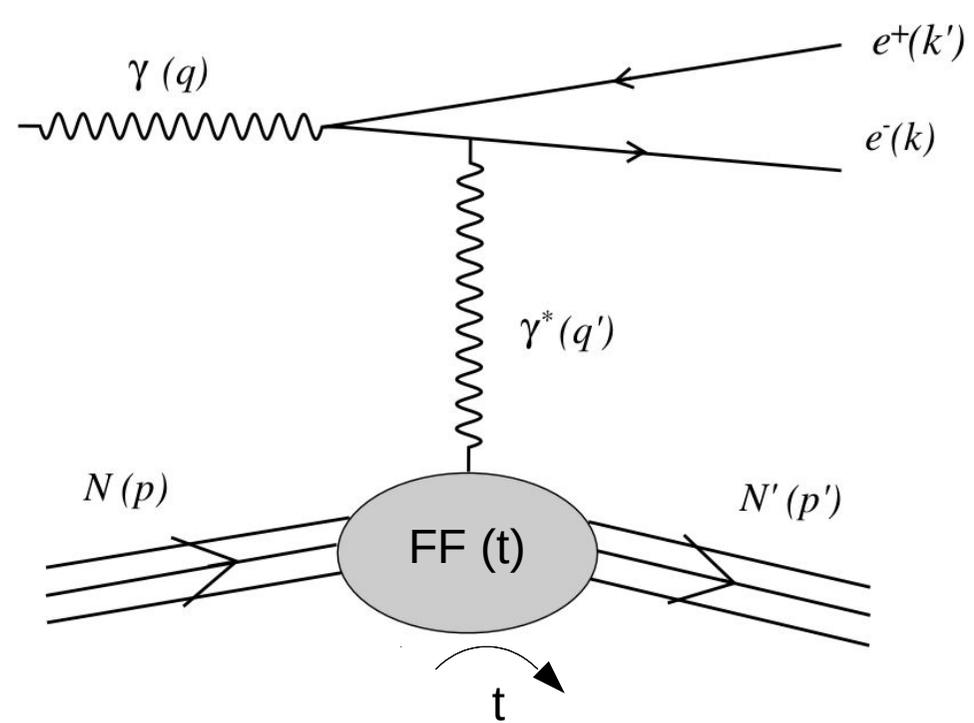
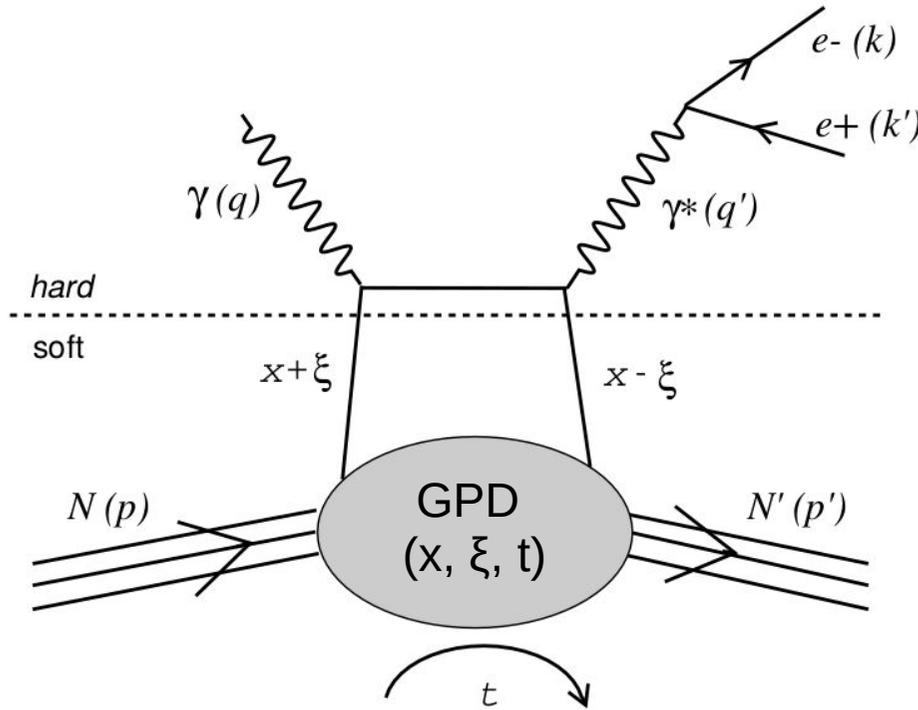
Timelike Compton Scattering

$$\gamma P \rightarrow e^+e^- P'$$

TCS

+

Bethe-Heitler

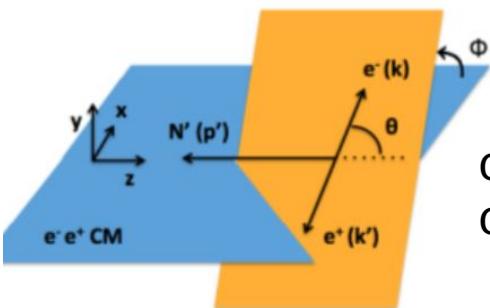
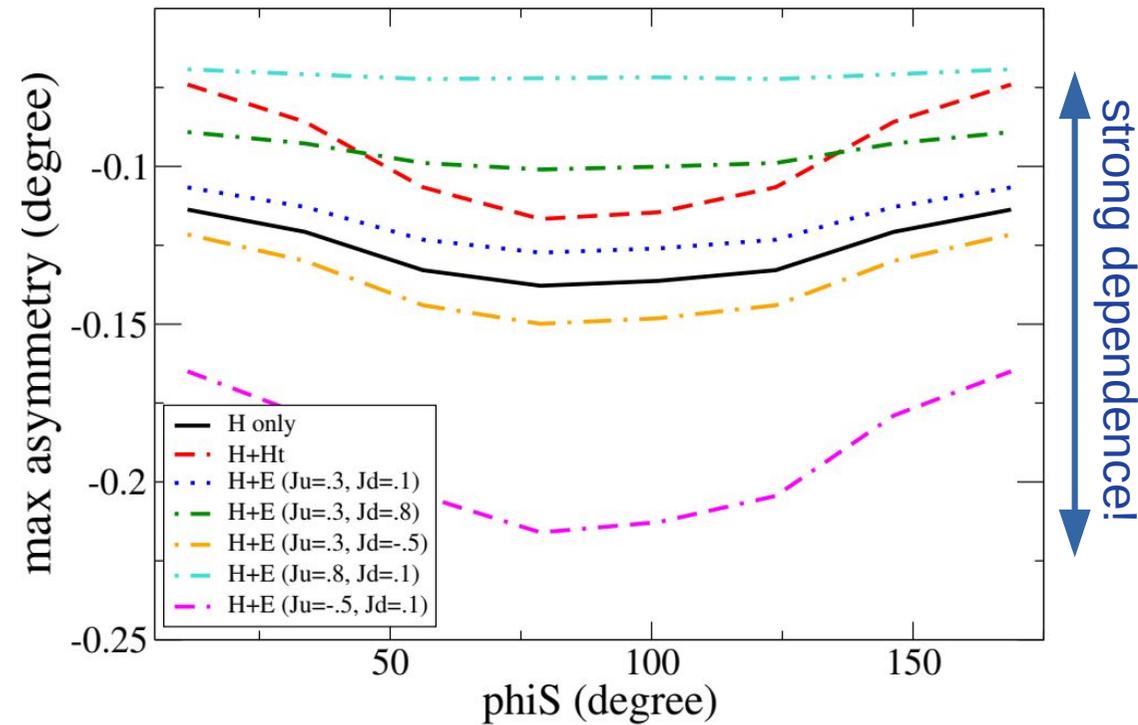
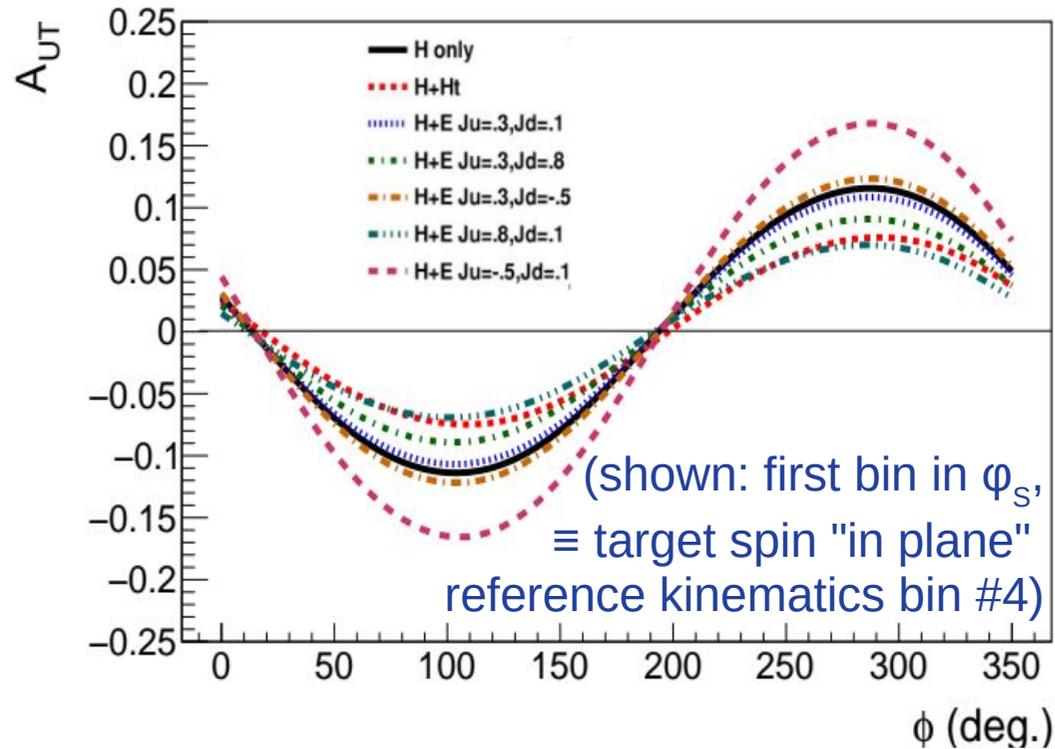


Why measuring TCS off a transversely polarized proton?

- Unique access to GPD E of the proton
- GPD universality studies (TCS vs DVCS)
- Independent observables for GPD data sets and global fits in valence region
- Most knowledge on GPDs from DVCS: complex conjugate, TCS access same information

Transverse target spin asymmetries

Dependence in GPD parametrization and J_u, J_d (VGG model) vs ϕ and ϕ_S



ϕ : e^- vs reaction plane
 ϕ_S : P spin vs reaction plane

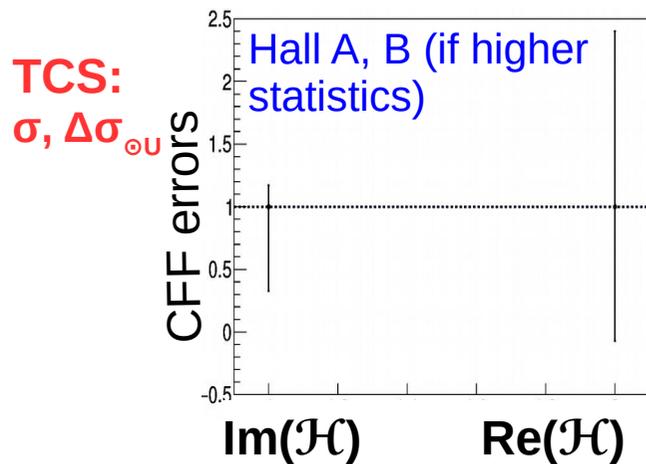
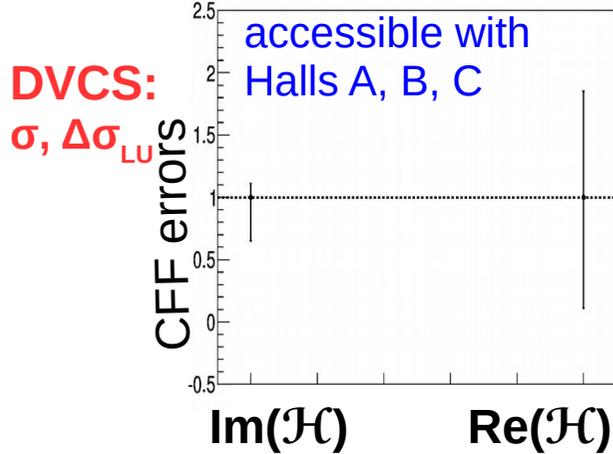
θ : polar angle (integrated)
 $E_y (\rightarrow \xi), t, Q^2$

- **TCS contribution through interference**
 → purely imaginary, BH cancels
 - **Sensitive to GPD parametrization**
 - **Angular momenta J_u, J_d and GPD E**
- Need of experimental data!**

calculations based on Boër, Guidal, Vanderhaeghen
 GPDs from Vanderhaeghen, Guidal, Guichon (VGG)

Compton Form Factors from DVCS and TCS

[fit of simulations with same errors]



- CFFs from TCS can be extracted at same level than DVCS
- $\text{Im}(\mathcal{E})$ extracted thanks to transverse target
- Precision on H greatly improved with new constraints

Main goal: **GPD E (proton)** → unique, not measured in other exp.

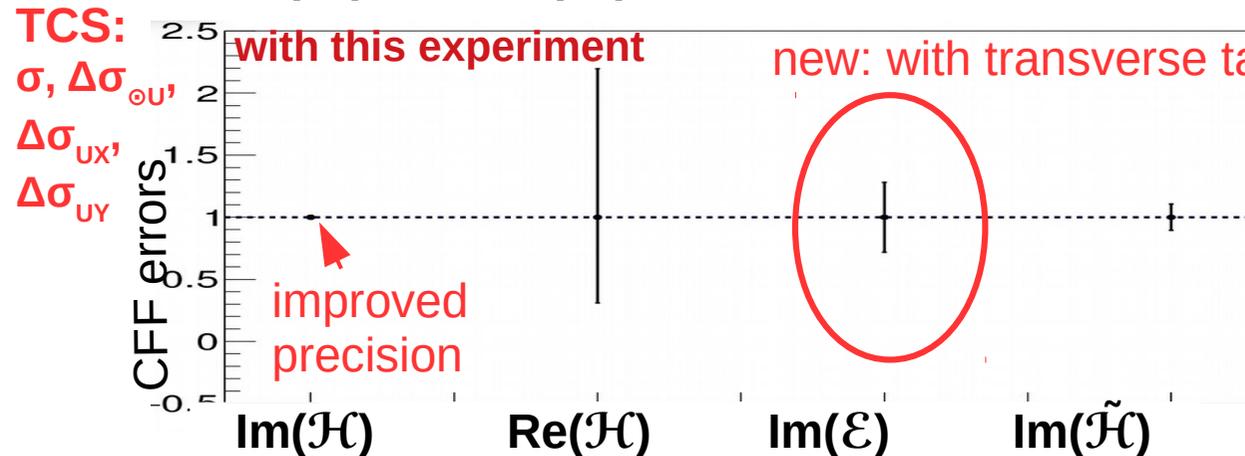
Secondary goal: **complement universality studies**

→ universality or breaking? Higher twist/NLO effects?

- Studied with Q^2 evolution in other experiments

- Comparison of fit results DVCS only, TCS, TCS+DVCS

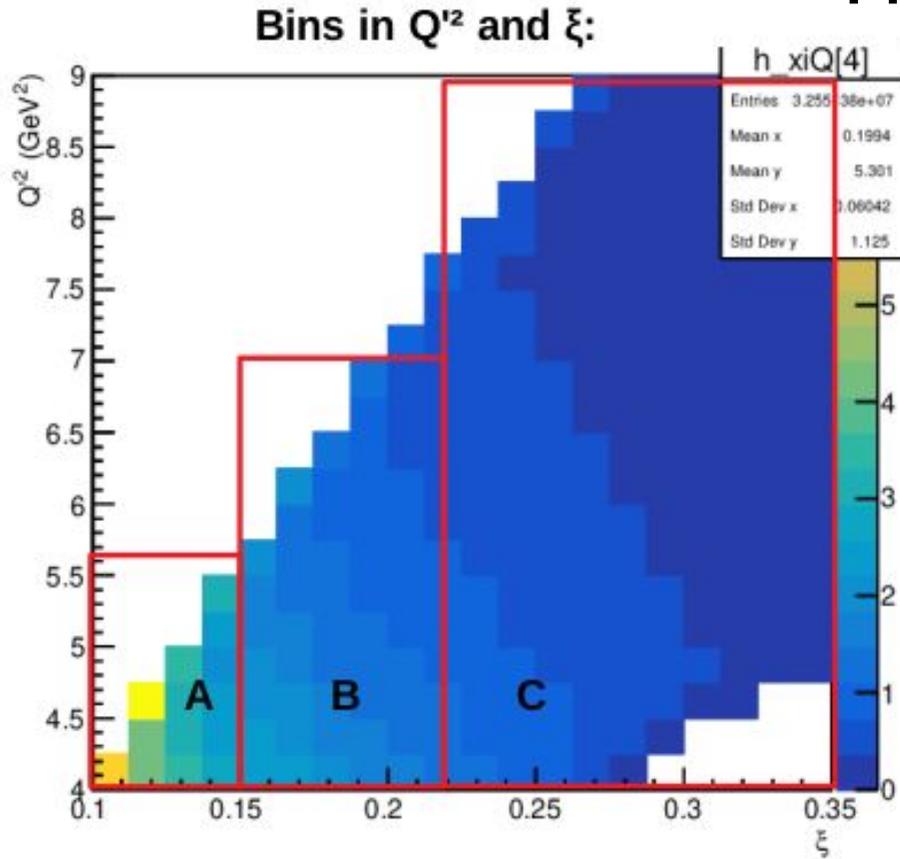
→ **interpretation depends on size of observed effects**



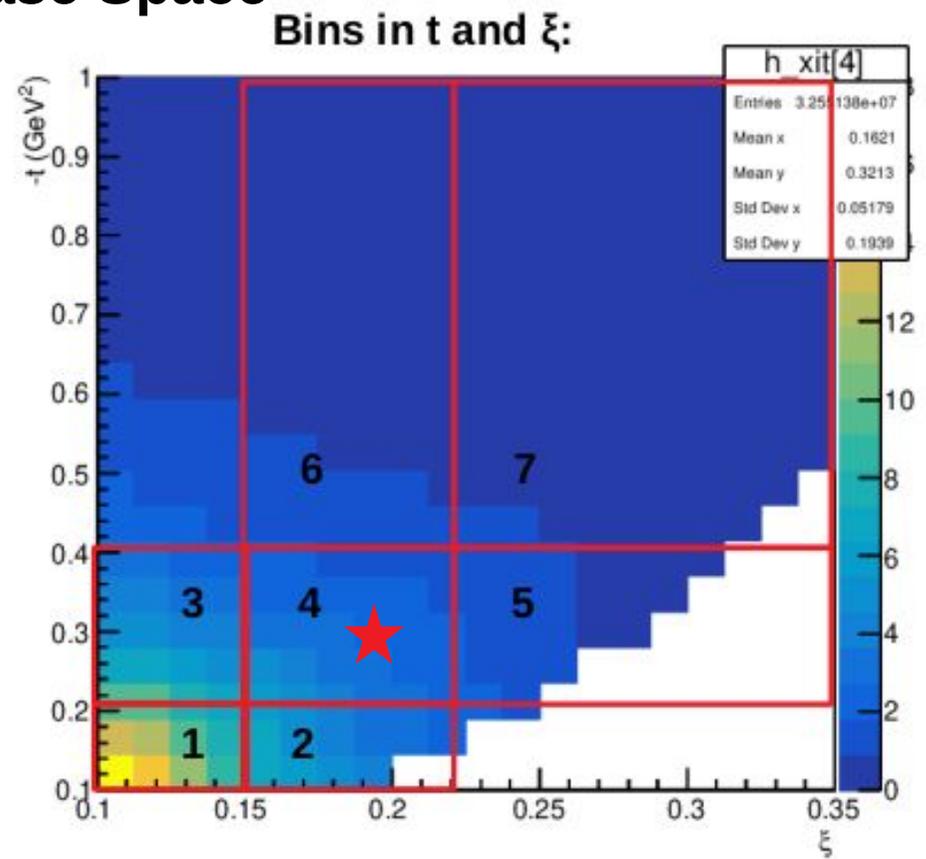
Caveat: for comparison purpose and sensitivity studies; assuming same uncertainties for all cases (based on Boër, Guidal...)

← extracted CFFs (generated at value=1)

Phase Space



- A: $.10 < \xi < .15$; $4 < Q'^2 < 5.5 \text{ GeV}^2$
- B: $.15 < \xi < .22$; $4 < Q'^2 < 7 \text{ GeV}^2$
- C: $.22 < \xi < .35$; $4 < Q'^2 < 9 \text{ GeV}^2$



- 1, 2: $.1 < -t < .2 \text{ GeV}^2$
- 3, 4, 5: $.2 < -t < .35 \text{ GeV}^2$
- 6, 7: $.35 < -t < .7 \text{ GeV}^2$

★ reference bin

also 16 bins in ϕ x 16 bins in ϕ_s , integrated over θ

Main cuts:

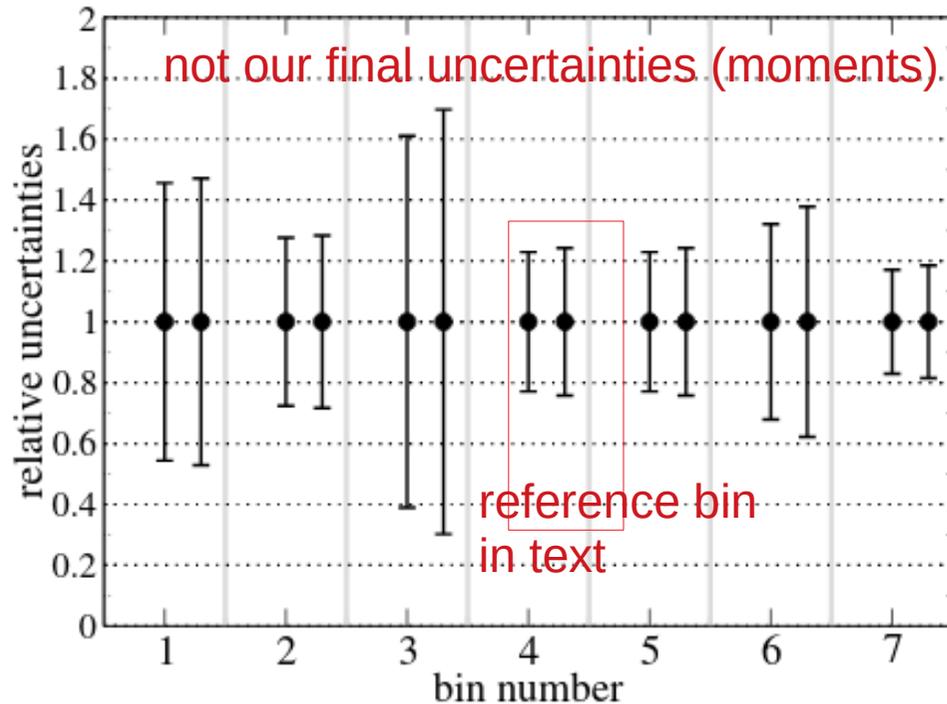
- triple coincidence: 2 leptons, 1 proton
- Physics: **cut out regions near BH peaks** by (E, θ, Q'^2) ϕ and θ dependent cut
- Trigger thresholds: triple coincidence, minimum 1 GeV/lepton and 5 GeV/2 leptons in calorimeter
- **Exclusivity**: momentum/energy/missing mass balance

Analysis: exclusivity cuts and/or machine learning for better background rejection ($\pi^+\pi^-$...)

Anticipated results on CFFs

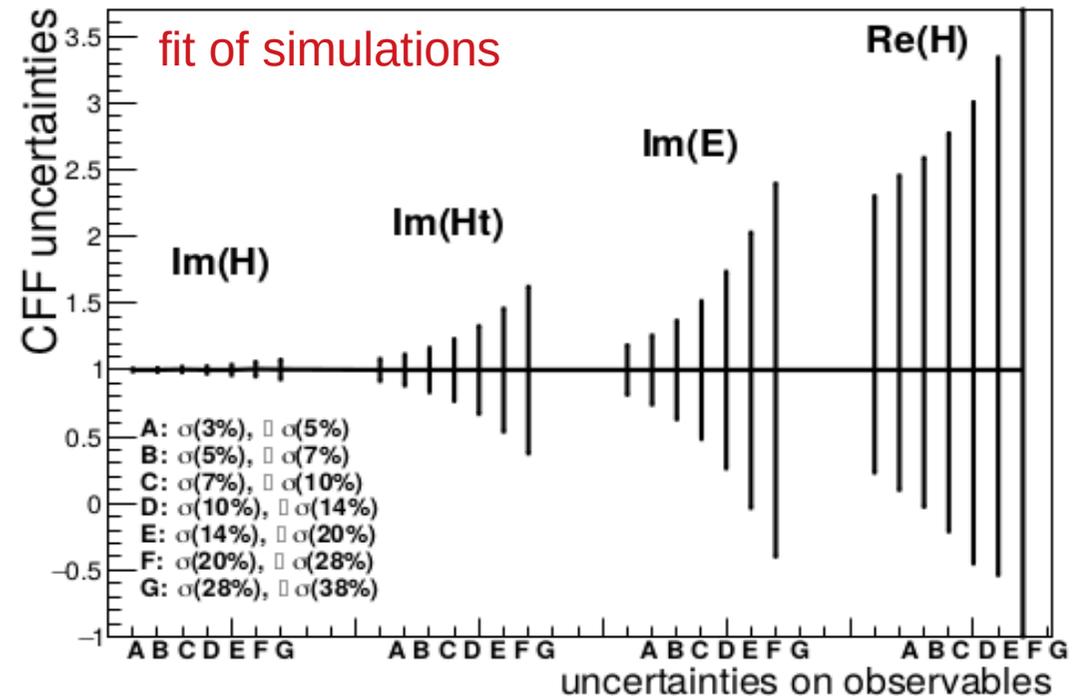
Mostly dominated by complementary unpolarized experiments, due to correlation with GPD H

(illustration) **combined errors** on 2 orthogonal \perp asymmetries for first sinus moment, for all bins (to be compared with size of asymmetries vs φ_s)



CFFs uncertainties vs experimental errors fits on simulations using VGG parametrization

CFF from TCS with 4 observables and transverse target



- $\text{Im}(H)$, $\text{Re}(H)$, $\text{Im}(\tilde{H})$, $\text{Im}(E)$ extracted even with very large experimental uncertainties (E, F, G)
- Results mostly depend on unpolarized cross section errors (other experiments off LH2)
- **Our experiment will put constraints on GPD E, J_u & J_d , and reduce errors on $\text{Im}+\text{Re}(H)$**

Beam time request

setup and installation	2.5 (PAC days)
signal and electronic checkout	2.5
gain matching of the detector's channels	0.5
Decomissioning	1.5
Overhead	7.5
commissioning with beam	5
physics	30

**Total: 49.5 PAC days,
35 days with beam**

Overhead	Number	Time Per (hr)	total (hr)
Polarization/depolarization	60	2.0	120
Target Anneals	15	4.0	60
Target T.E. Calibrations	10	4	28
Packing fraction/Dilution runs	6	2	12
Target Material Change	8	4	32
NPS Crystal Recovery	1	24	24
BCM/BPM Calibration	8	2	16
Moller Measurements	1	1	42
Total Overhead			346 (14.4 days)

Projections:

30 physics PAC day, $L=5.85 \times 10^5 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ with 11 GeV e^- beam and CPS ($1.5 \times 10^{12} \text{ y/s}$ or $10^{35} \text{ y/cm}^2/\text{s}$)

Summary

Physics

- Unique access to **GPD E** of the proton
- **Extraction of CFFs** from transverse polarized asymmetries + complementary TCS measurements
Reduce correlation uncertainties by $\sim x10$ compared to only unpolarized+beam polarized experiments
- Contribution to GPD data sets, **universality studies** with complementary TCS / DVCS experiments

Experimental setup

- New: Tracking with **GEM detectors**, to handle high background rates + scintillator hodoscopes
- New: **Trigger with calorimeters +GEMs, triple coincidence**, high thresholds (> 1 GeV /lepton)
- High intensity **real photon beam** from radiator (CPS collaboration)
- 2 splits PbWO_4 electromagnetic **calorimeters** (NPS collaboration)
- **Transversely polarized DNP target**, ammonia (JLab/UVA target)

Main advantages of this experiment and dedicated setup: GPD E, high intensity real photons

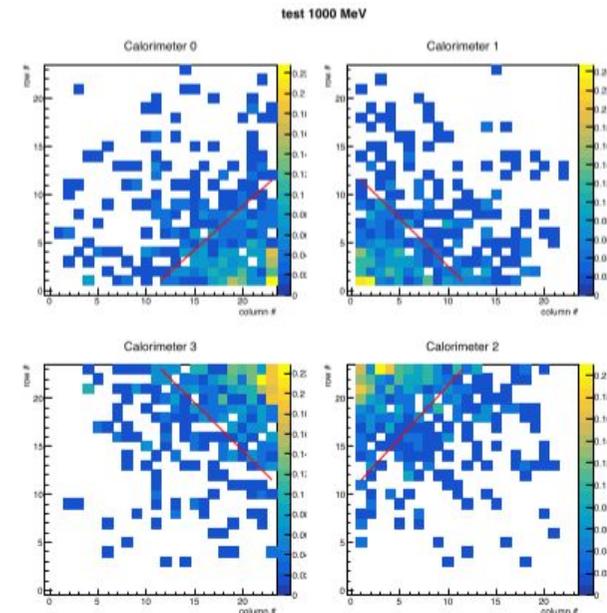
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Trigger details

- Each of four quadrants will provide in pipeline (2-3 micro seconds delay) parameters per cluster
 - Location, time, and energy of two strongest clusters **in the calorimeter**,
 - Energy deposition in **the scintillator block** correlated in time and location
- VTP (VXS trigger processor) will use the combined energy (> 5 GeV) for **the trigger level 1**
 - Search for proton signals in the scintillator hodoscope correlated in time to e^+/e^-
 - Initiate readout of GEM DAQ
- Preliminary proton tracking using GEM information in **VMM3** (modern GEM chamber chip, an implementation under development for the SOLID preRD)

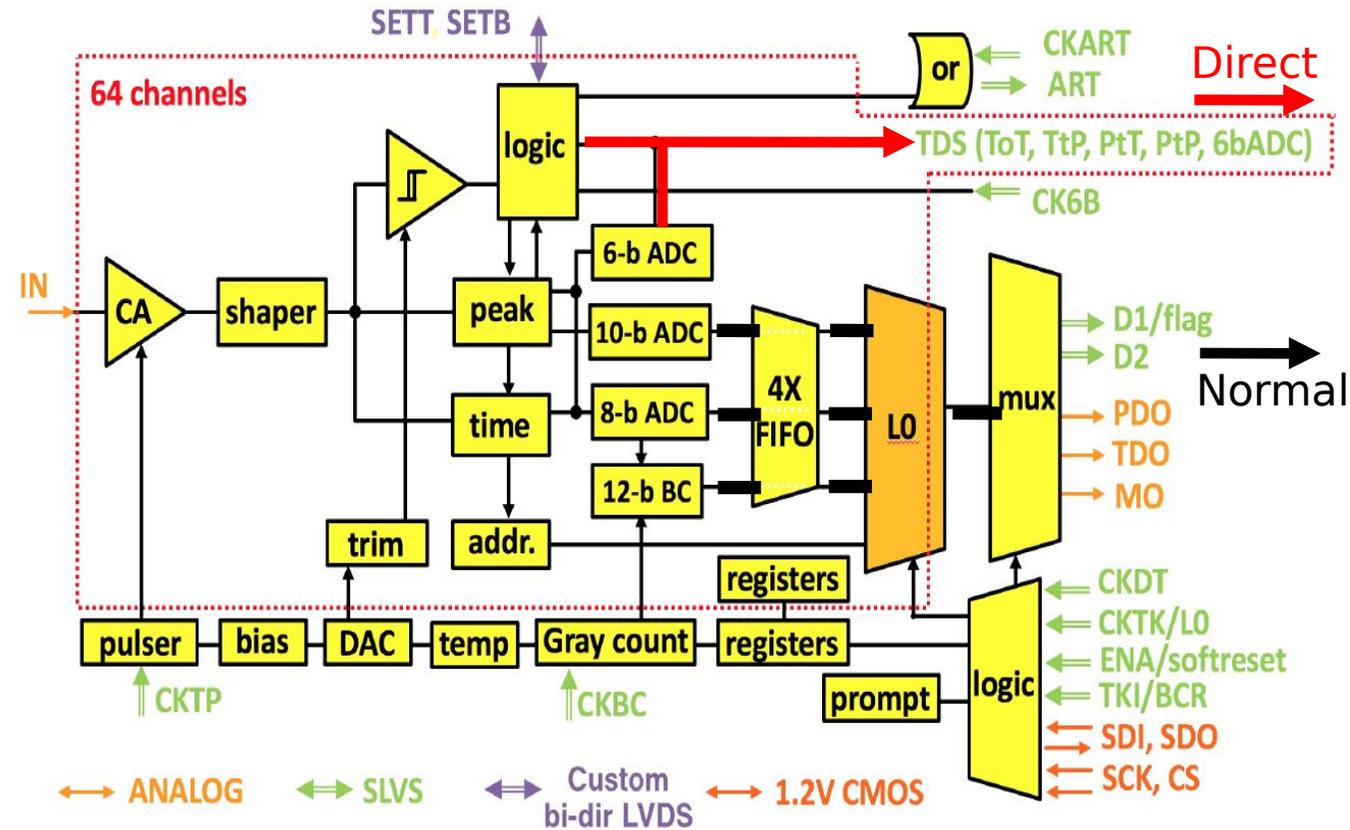
Calorimeter cluster trigger

- Compute all 4x4 sums, one sum above threshold
- Request “seed” energy > 1 GeV, 2 quadrant combined energy > 5 GeV
- ✓ Exclude hot blocks (1/8 fraction) close to beam pipe ($\sim 23\%$ reduction of useful events)
- ✓ ~ 3 MHz integral hit rate in each quadrant (energy above 1 GeV), reasonable for trigger formation
- ✓ 38 kHz background trigger rate , reasonable for trigger formation
- ✓ At least 90% efficiency for TCS events (estimate with no background)



VMM3 chip

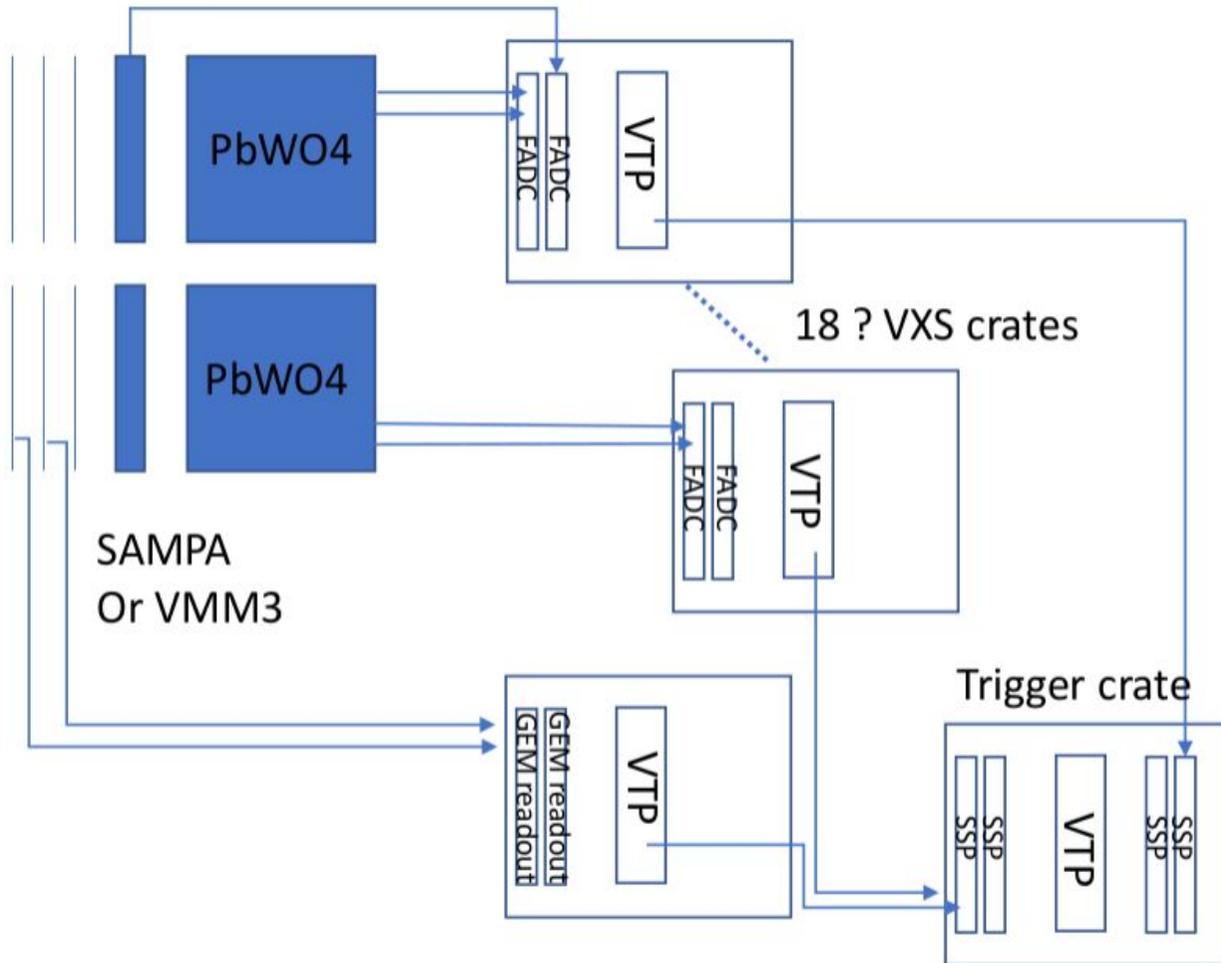
VMM3 block diagram



- ASIC for ATLAS New Small Wheel
- Radiation hard similar to APV25 : > 100 Mrad
- 64 channels
- Low noise over wide range of input capacitance (<1 pF to ~1 nF)
- Shaping times : **25 ns**, 50 ns, 100 ns, 200 ns
- Pulse amplitude proportional to charge at input
- Gains : 0.5, 1, 3, 4.5, 6, 9, 12, 16 mV/fC
- **6 bit ADC (25 ns conversion)** and **10 bit ADC (250 ns conversion)**, 8 bits TDC (1 ns resolution), 12 bits Beam Crossing time stamp
- 4 MHz of rate per channel thanks to multilevel FIFO
- Continuous or triggered readout on normal data path
- Latency up to 16 ms in triggered mode
- **Fast direct outputs (64 channels) for ATLAS trigger (6b ADC, ToT)**
- Normal data link up to 320 Mb/s

Scheme of DAQ

Hodoscopes



4 x 23x23 crystals and scintillators

= 2116 x 2 = 4,232 fADC

4 x (5 layers of GEM chambers 50 cm x 50 cm)

= 16 x 2 x 500/0.4 = 50,000 MVV3

VTP : VXS Trigger Processor

Inclusion of GEM in trigger will be developed

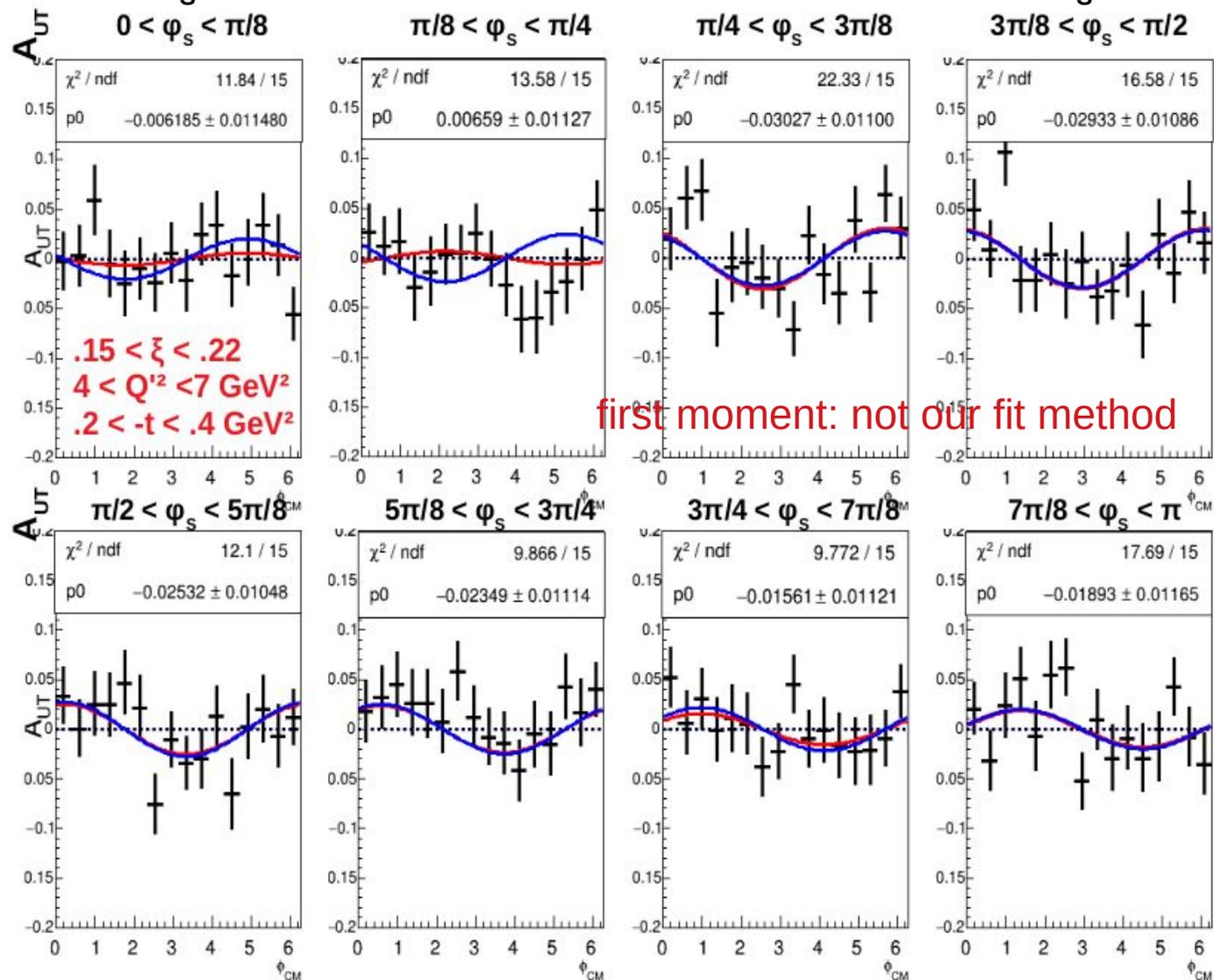
Extracting spin asymmetry

Here (also in proposal): fit of first moment - for illustration

Method that will be used: direct fits of CFFs on full asymmetries combined with unpolarized and beam polarized cross sections → takes all moments into account and reduce CFFs correlations

Error on CFFs will be dominated by complementary unpolarized experiments

$\sin(\varphi - \varphi_s)$ fitting of kinematic bin 4th, vs φ , 8 bins in φ_s



+ smeared simulations
(with dilution factors+errors)
- ideal fit (on unsmeared data)
- 1 attempt fit (on smeared data)

Systematic uncertainties

SOURCE	VALUE	COMMENTS
target polarization	0.05	NMR measurement
packing fraction	0.03	target spec
target dilution factor	≈ 0.02	depend on analysis cuts / possibility of run off frozen N similar target
interaction with target material	negligible	with vertex reconstruction, exclusivity
background subtraction (π^\pm , accidental)	0.03	measurements other Halls and MC
proton resonances	< 0.01	thanks to proton detection
trigger and tracking efficiency	0.01	from MC
beam polarization (for $A_{\odot U}$)	0.01	measured (not main measurements)
luminosity (for σ and $\sigma_{\odot U}$)	-	(not main measurement, in development)

Total ~ 0.07

Measurements dominated by statistic uncertainties and corrections to dilution factors 23

Impact of dynamic twist corrections on DVCS+TCS fits

- Corrections applied: target mass and restoration of gauge invariance
- Impact on CFFs: ~10% on Re, ~1% on Im, opposite sign in DVCS and TCS
- Impact on DVCS+TCS fits: between "twist 2" and "DVCS" results; 1% (Im) to 10% (Re)
→ below uncertainties on CFFs

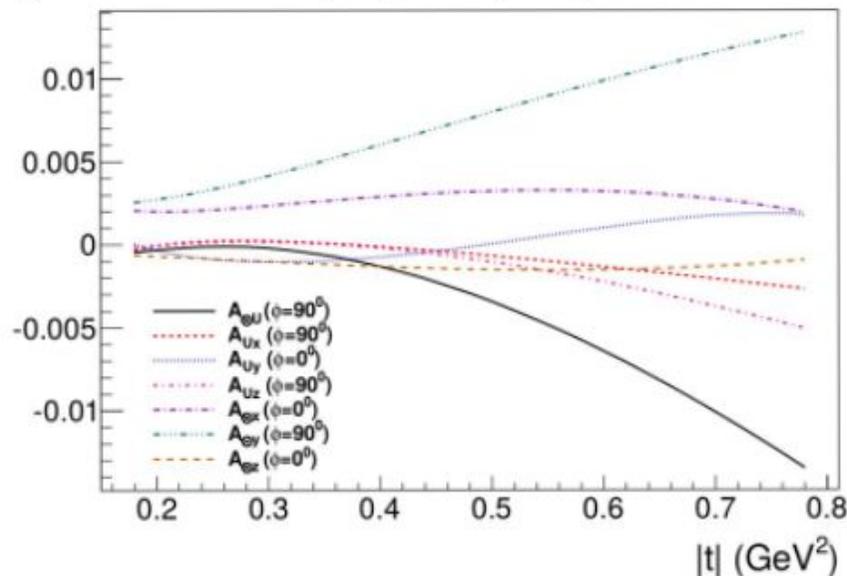
Corrections

mass and $\Delta=(p-p')$ in skewness variable:

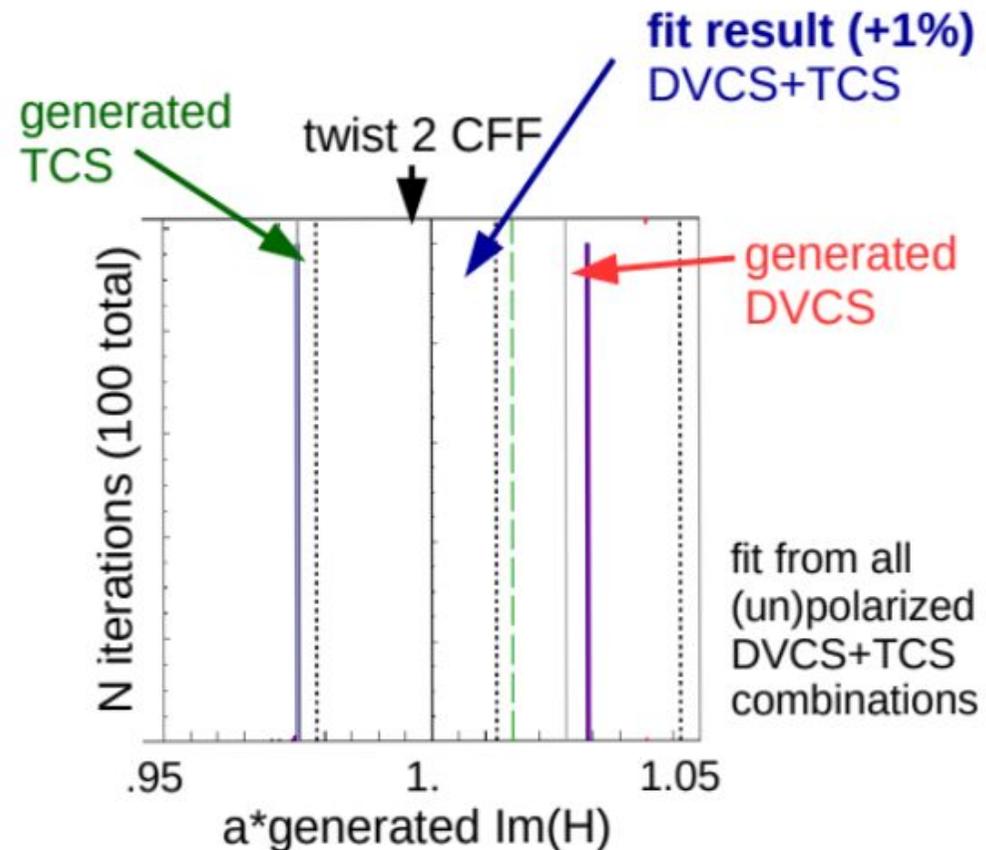
$$\xi' = -\frac{\bar{q}^2}{2P \cdot \bar{q}} = \frac{-Q'^2 + \Delta^2/2}{2(s - m^2) + \Delta^2 - Q'^2}$$

$$\xi = -\frac{\Delta \cdot \bar{q}}{2P \cdot \bar{q}} = \frac{Q'^2}{2(s - m^2) + \Delta^2 - Q'^2}$$

(corrected - asymptotic) asymmetries



Fit results



Dynamic twist corrections for TCS

- leading-twist TCS hadronic part of amplitude with "Ji's" GPDs decomposition

$$H_{\mu\nu}^{\text{TCS}} = \frac{1}{2} (-g_{\mu\nu})_{\perp} \int_{-1}^1 dx \left(\frac{1}{x - \xi - i\epsilon} + \frac{1}{x + \xi + i\epsilon} \right) \cdot \left(H(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \not{p} u(p) + E(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') i\sigma^{\alpha\beta} n_{\alpha} \frac{\Delta_{\beta}}{2m} u(p) \right) - \frac{i}{2} (\epsilon_{\nu\mu})_{\perp} \int_{-1}^1 dx \left(\frac{1}{x - \xi - i\epsilon} - \frac{1}{x + \xi + i\epsilon} \right) \cdot \left(\tilde{H}(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \not{\gamma}_5 u(p) + \tilde{E}(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \gamma_5 \frac{\Delta \cdot n}{2m} u(p) \right)$$

$$\Delta = (p' - p)$$

- ad-hoc twist 3 corrections for gauge-invariance

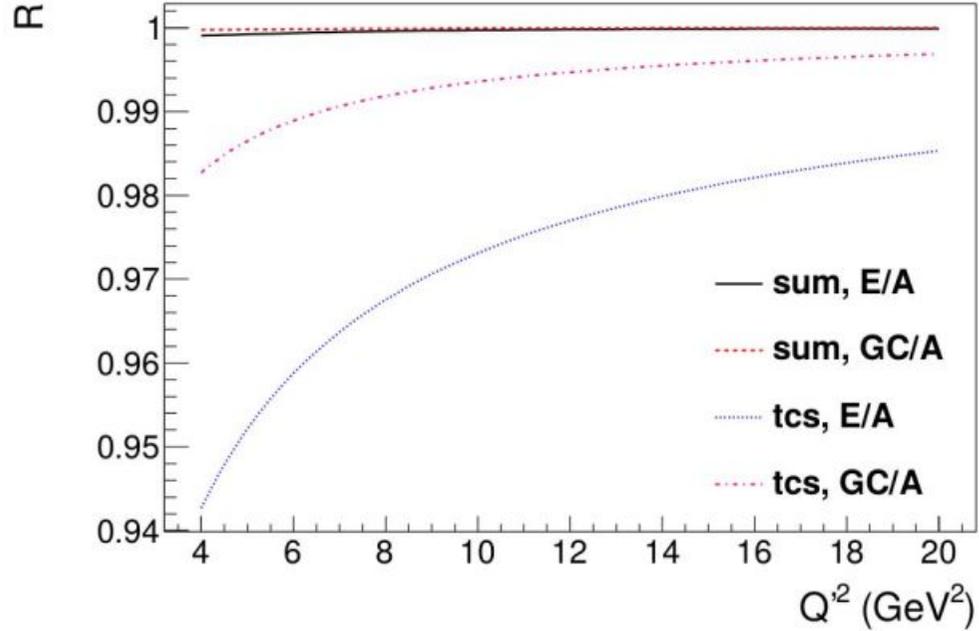
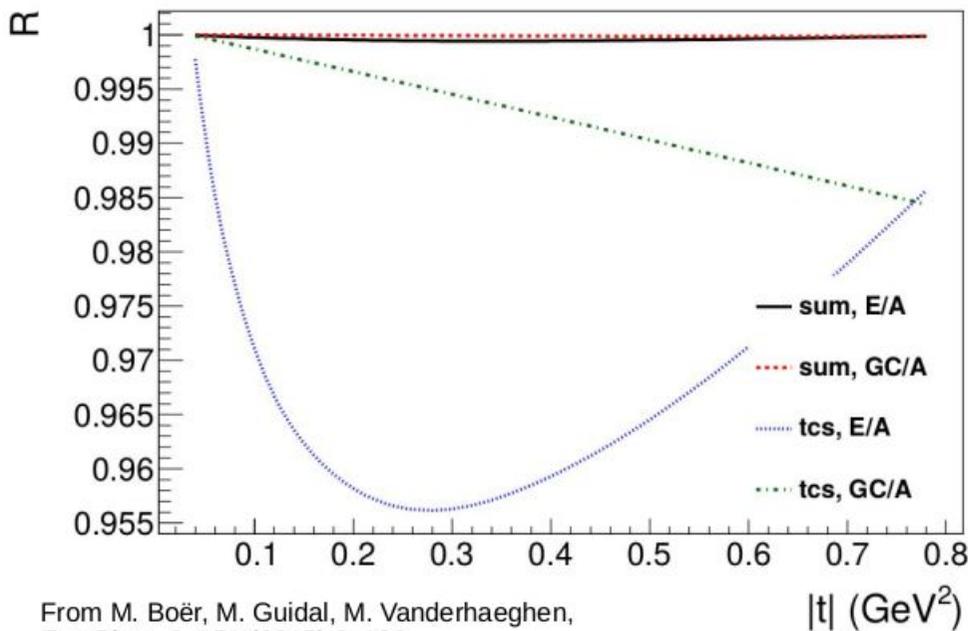
$$H^{\mu\nu} = H_{LO}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{P^{\mu}}{2P \cdot \bar{q}} \cdot (\Delta_{\perp})_{\kappa} \cdot H_{LO}^{\kappa\nu} + \frac{P^{\nu}}{2P \cdot \bar{q}} \cdot (\Delta_{\perp})_{\lambda} \cdot H_{LO}^{\mu\lambda} - \frac{P^{\mu} P^{\nu}}{4(P \cdot \bar{q})^2} \cdot (\Delta_{\perp})_{\kappa} \cdot (\Delta_{\perp})_{\lambda} \cdot H_{LO}^{\kappa\lambda}$$

- mass and Δ terms in skewness variables, related to light cone momentum fractions

$$\xi' = -\frac{\bar{q}^2}{2P \cdot \bar{q}} = \frac{-Q'^2 + \Delta^2/2}{2(s - m^2) + \Delta^2 - Q'^2}$$

$$\xi = -\frac{\Delta \cdot \bar{q}}{2P \cdot \bar{q}} = \frac{Q'^2}{2(s - m^2) + \Delta^2 - Q'^2}$$

R = corrected / asymptotic unpolarized cross sections, vs t (left) and vs Q'² (right)



Experimental setup (simplified pic)

