

# Time-like Compton Scattering with transversely polarized target in Hall C

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Physics case and motivation

Experimental setup

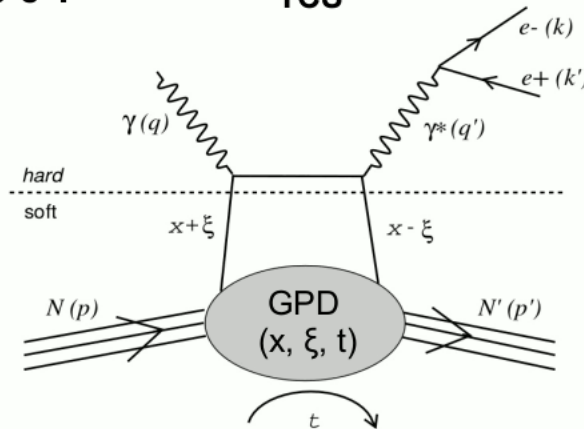
Remarks on analysis

Summary

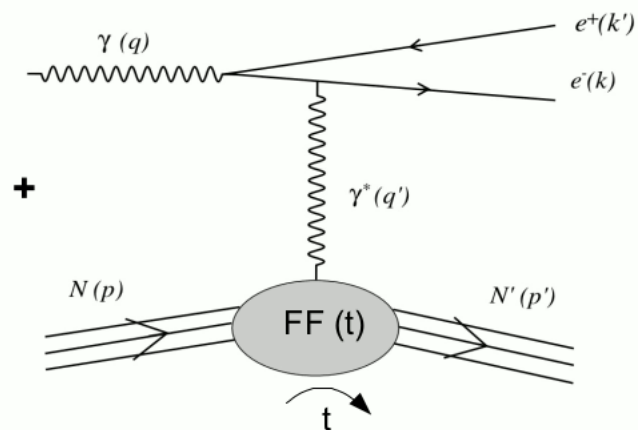
## Physics goals

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

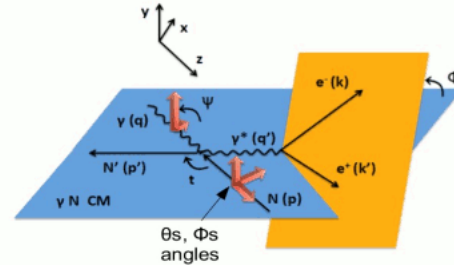
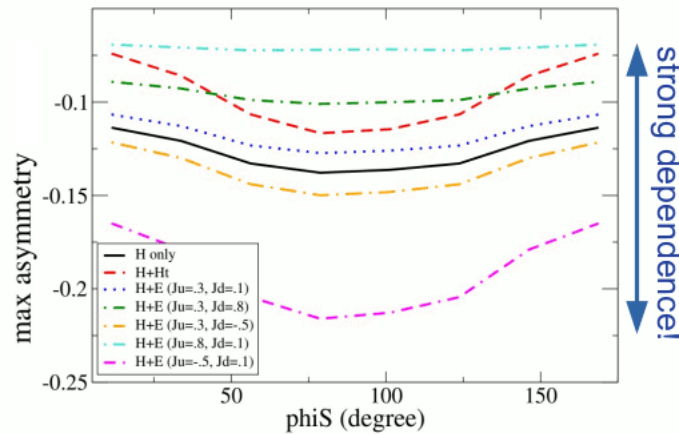
TCS



Bethe-Heitler



Sin( $\phi$ ) moment of transverse spin asymmetry vs  $\phi_S$ ,  
Dependence in GPD E and  $J^{u,d}$  (VGG model)

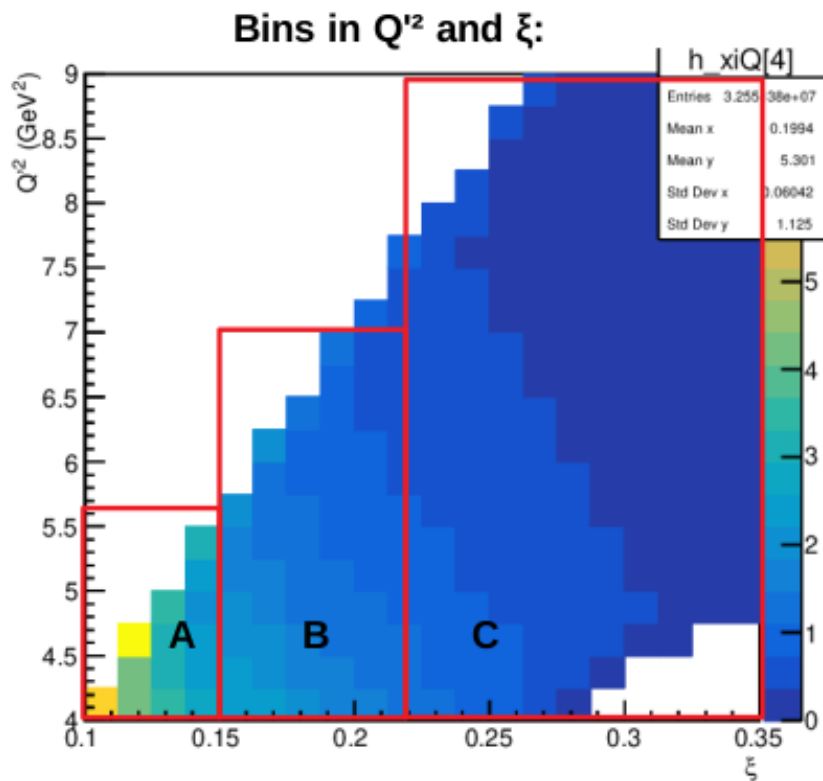


**TSA as a function of  $\phi$  and  $\phi_S$**

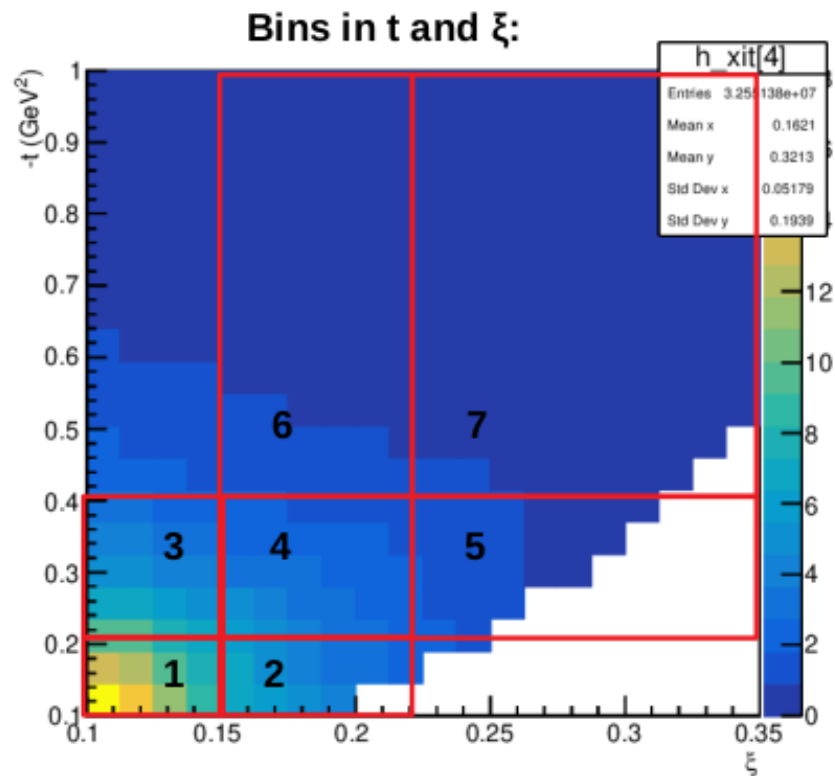
- Sensitive to Im(interference), BH cancels
- Strong dependence in angular momenta, Sensitivity to GPD E (also to H, Ht)

*Courtesy M.Boer*

# Physics case: kinematic coverage



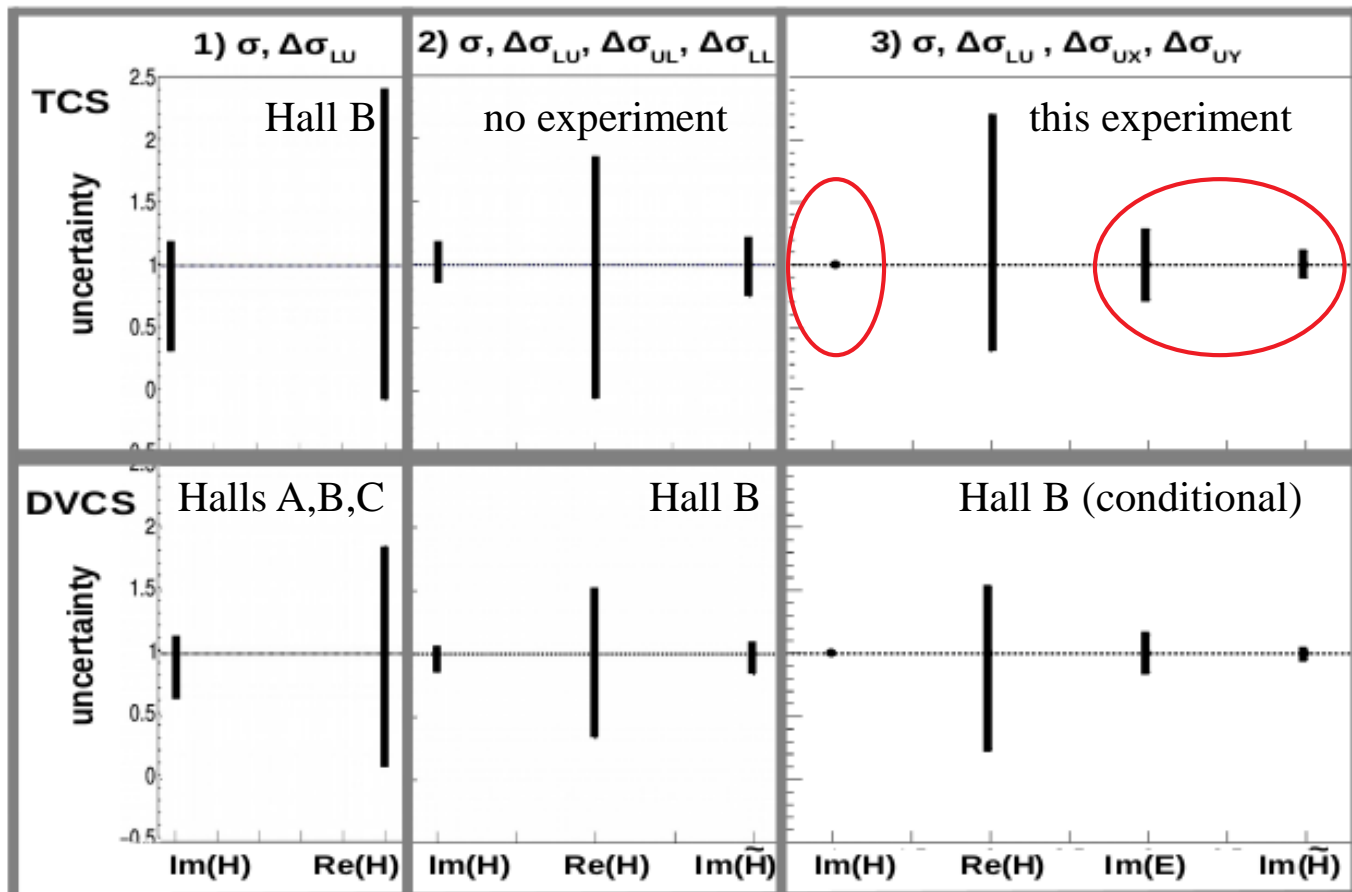
**A:**  $.10 < \xi < .15$  ;  $4 < Q'^2 < 5.5 \text{ GeV}^2$   
**B:**  $.15 < \xi < .22$  ;  $4 < Q'^2 < 7 \text{ GeV}^2$   
**C:**  $.22 < \xi < .35$  ;  $4 < Q'^2 < 9 \text{ GeV}^2$



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

*Kinematic region out of pion resonance production*

# Physics case: Extraction of CFFs from TCS versus DVCS



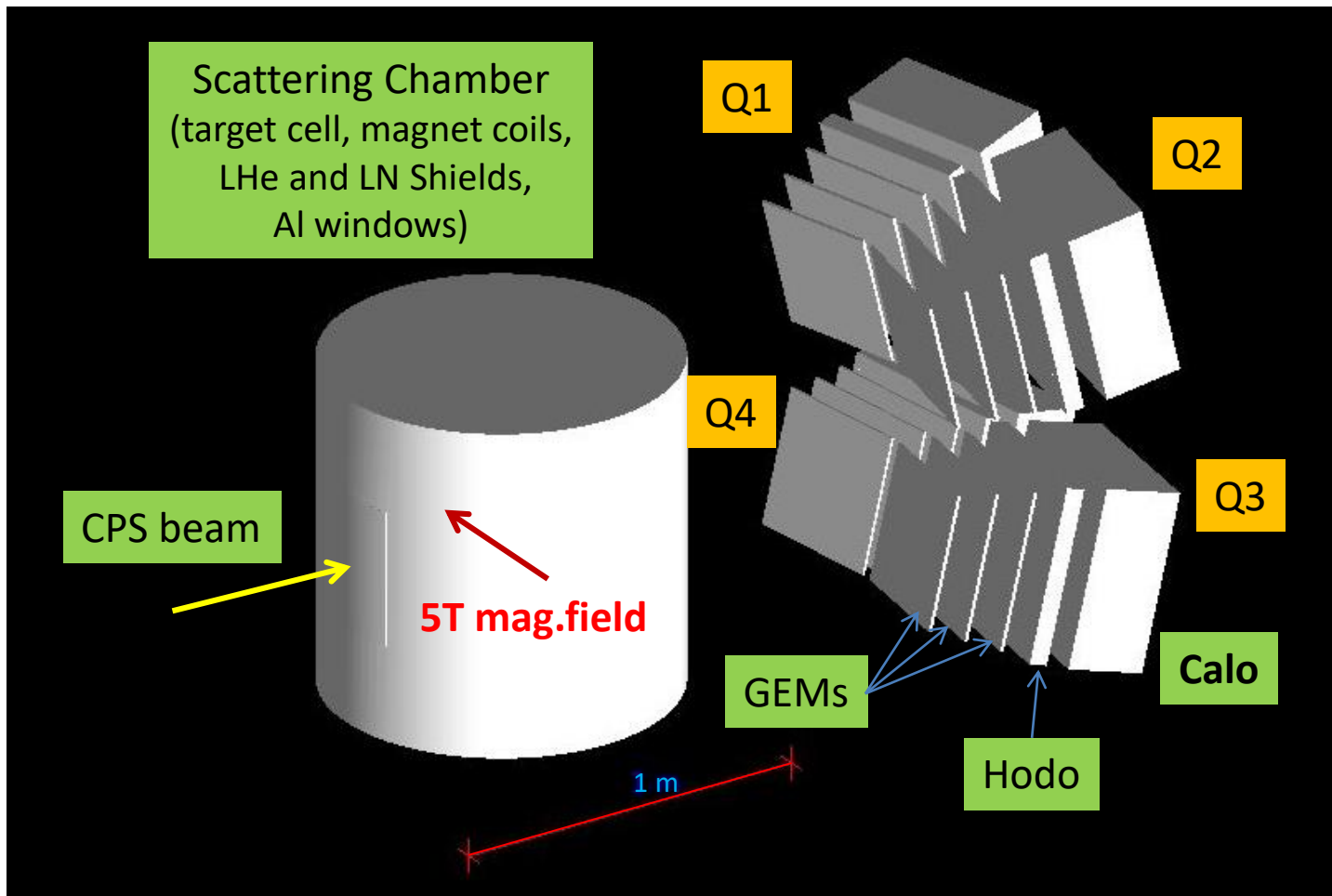
Example estimates of accuracies on the model extraction of CFFs.

TCS with trans. pol. Target:

- Allows for extraction of  $\text{Im}(E)$  (unique to this proposal)
- Allows for extraction of  $\text{Im}(H)$  to good accuracy (universality tests)

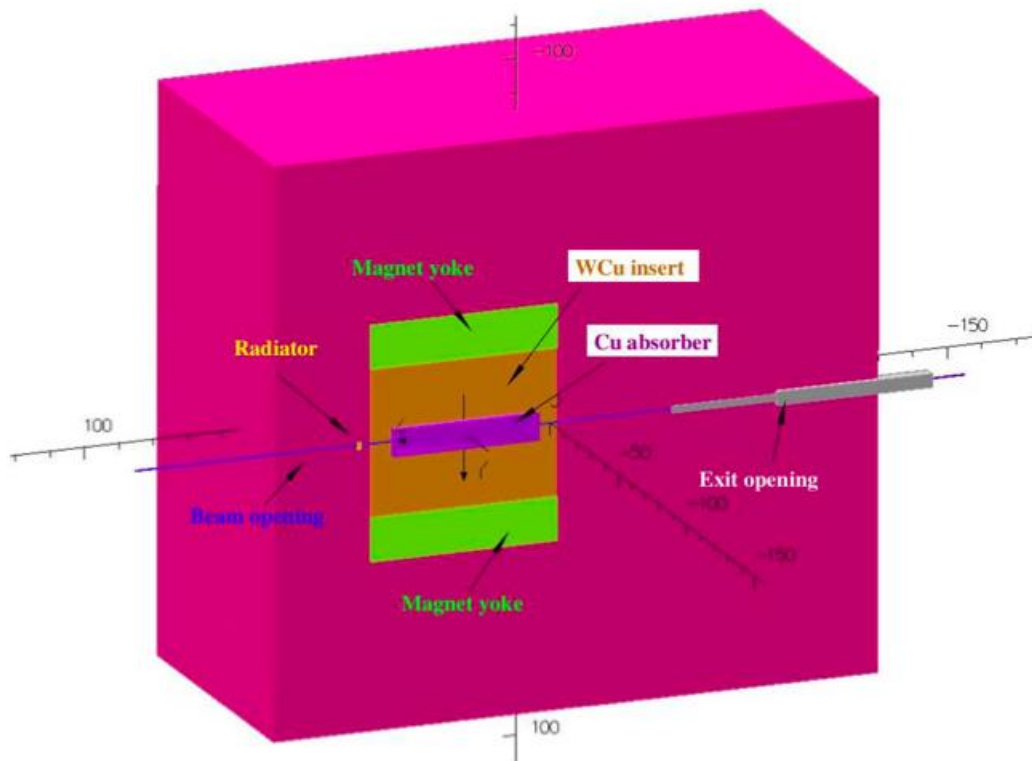
# Experimental apparatus: Setup

$$\gamma + p \rightarrow \gamma^* (e^+ + e^-) + p'$$



- Detect  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$ , recoil  $p$  in coincidence
- CPS bremsstrahlung photon beam
- Jlab-UVA  $\text{NH}_3$  target, transversely polarized
- Detectors arranged in 4 quarters, oriented to target
- Multiple GEMs for  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$ ,  $p$  tracking
- Hodoscopes for recoil proton detection/PID
- $\text{PbWO}_4$  calorimeters for  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$ ,  $p$  detection/PID

# Experimental apparatus, CPS



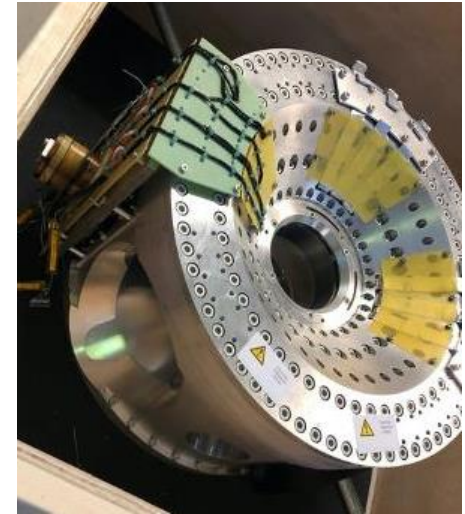
Compact Photon Source under development in Hall C at JLab:

- Combines polarized photon source, collimator and beam dump;
- High intensity directed brems. photon beam ( **$1.5 \times 10^{12}$   $\gamma/s$  in [5.5 GeV, 11 GeV] range from 2.5  $\mu A$  primary  $e^-$  beam on 10%  $X_0$  Cu radiator ,  $\sim 1$  mm spot size at 2 m from radiator**);
- 3.2 T warm magnet to bend incoming electrons to local beam dump;
- Highly shielded design (W/Cu alloy) to minimize prompt and residual radiation.

*D.Day et al., NIMA 957 (2020) 163429*

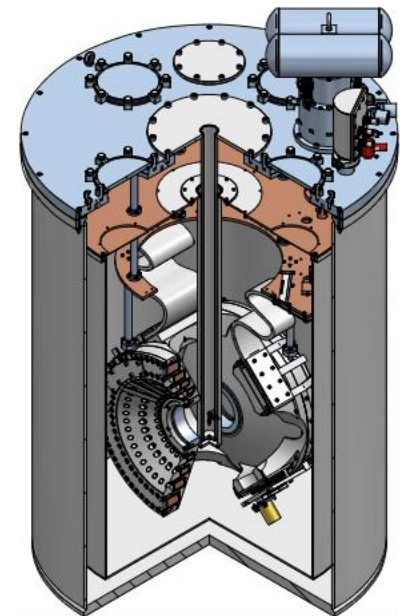
## Experimental apparatus: Polarized target

- Target material:  $^{15}\text{NH}_3$ , in LHe at **1°K**.
- Packing fraction 0.6.
- Magnetic field generated by superconducting Helmholtz coils.
- **DNP polarization** by 140 GHz, 20 W RF field.
- Polarization monitored via NMR.
- **Depolarization mitigated** by combined rotation ( $\sim 1$  Hz) around horizontal axis and vertical up/down movement ( $\sim 10$  mm).



### New polarizing magnet arrived in September 2021!

- Drop-in replacement for old Jlab-UVA target
- 5 T magnetic field, 100 ppm uniformity
- **$\pm 25^\circ$  horizontal opening angle** in transverse filed configuration (increase from  $\pm 18^\circ$  --> **increase of TCS acceptance**, help with background rates.)



*Horizontal field orientation*



## GEM trackers:

- Coordinate reconstruction accuracy  **$\sim 80 \mu\text{m}$**
- Background rate tolerance up to  **$10^6 \text{ Hz/mm}^2$**
- Minimum material thickness along particle pass
- Big size manufacturing

Use at Jlab: SBS, SoLID DDVCS, Prad

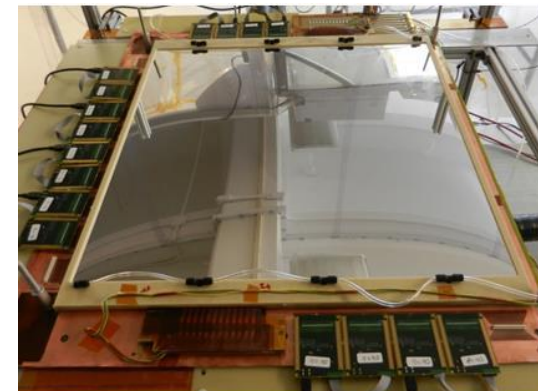
## Hodoscopes:

- To provide  $dE/dX$  signal from low momentum recoil protons
- $2 \times 2 \times 5 \text{ cm}^3$  scintillators arranged in “Fly’s eye” hodoscopic construction

## Calorimeters, clones of the NPS calorimeter:

- $2 \times 2 \times 20 \text{ cm}^2$  **PBWO<sub>4</sub> scin. crystals**, optically isolated
- Modules arranged in a mesh of carbon fiber/ $\mu$ -metal
- Expected **energy resolution**  $2.5\%/VE + 1\%$
- Expected **coordinate resolution**  $\sim 3 \text{ mm}$  at  $1 \text{ GeV}$
- Modules arranged in 4 “fly’s eye” assemblies of  $23 \times 23$  matrix

**Total number** of modules needed **2116**.



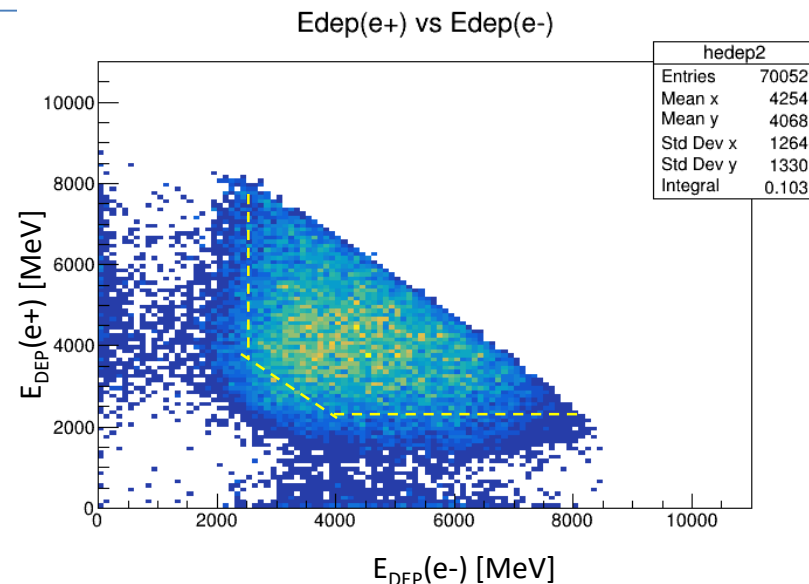
SBS BT GEM prototype  
(*K.Gnanvo et al., NIMA 782*  
(2015) 77-86)



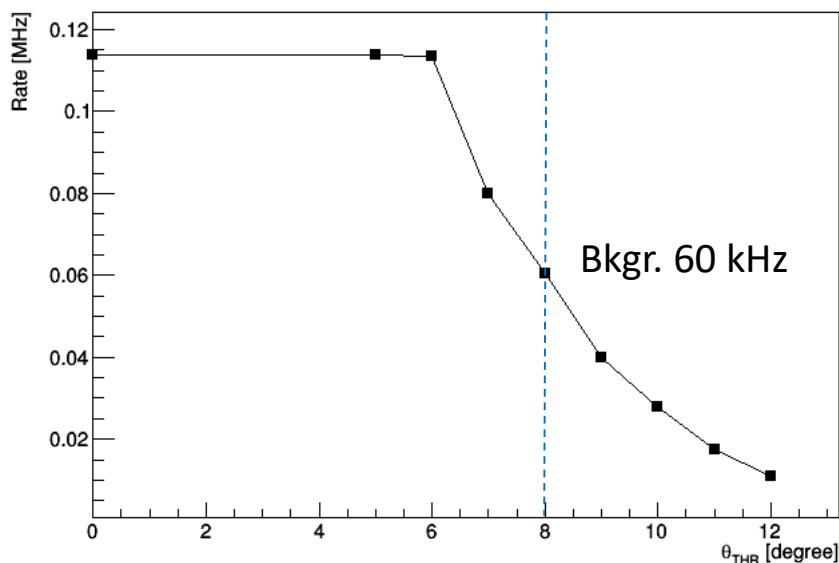
Assembling of NPS  
calorimeter (June 2022)

# Trigger concept

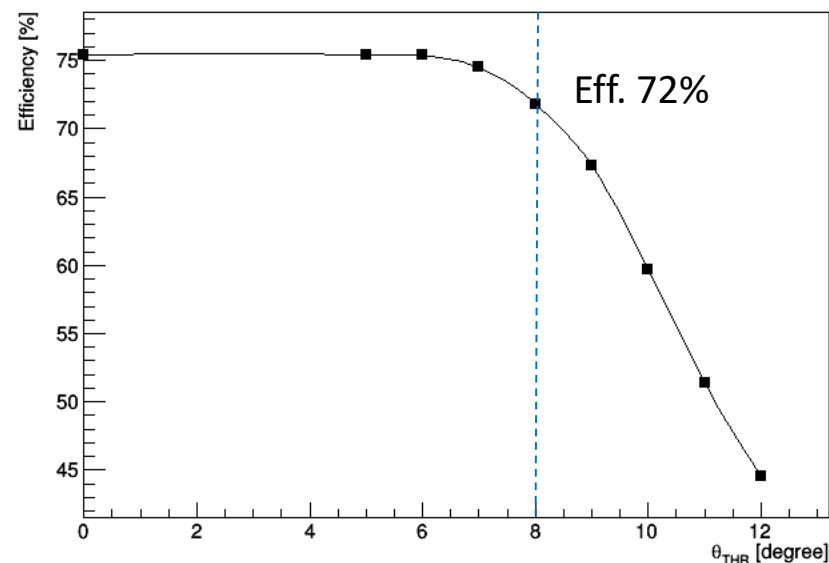
- Trigger based on **e+ and e- coincident signals** from calorimeters in opposite quarters
- Establish **high thresholds on  $E_{\text{DEP}}(\text{e}^+)$ ,  $E_{\text{DEP}}(\text{e}^-)$ ,  $E_{\text{DEP}}(\text{e}^+) + E_{\text{DEP}}(\text{e}^-)$**  to control background
- **Exclude high background region close to beam pipe**
- **Background rate under control!**



Accidental background rate ( $E(\text{e}^\pm)_{\text{CL}} > 2.5 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\Delta(T) = 50 \text{ ns}$ )



TCS e-e+ efficiency ( $E(\text{e}^\pm)_{\text{CL}} > 2.5 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $E(\text{e}^+)_{\text{CL}} + E(\text{e}^-)_{\text{CL}} > 6 \text{ GeV}$ )



Beam background rate and TCS triple coin. detection efficiency vs cut on polar angle  $\Theta$ .

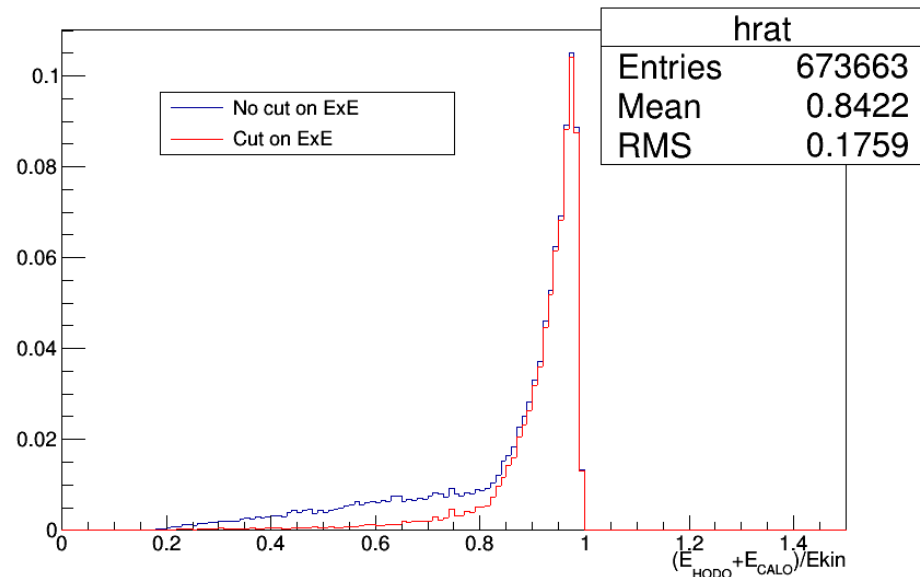
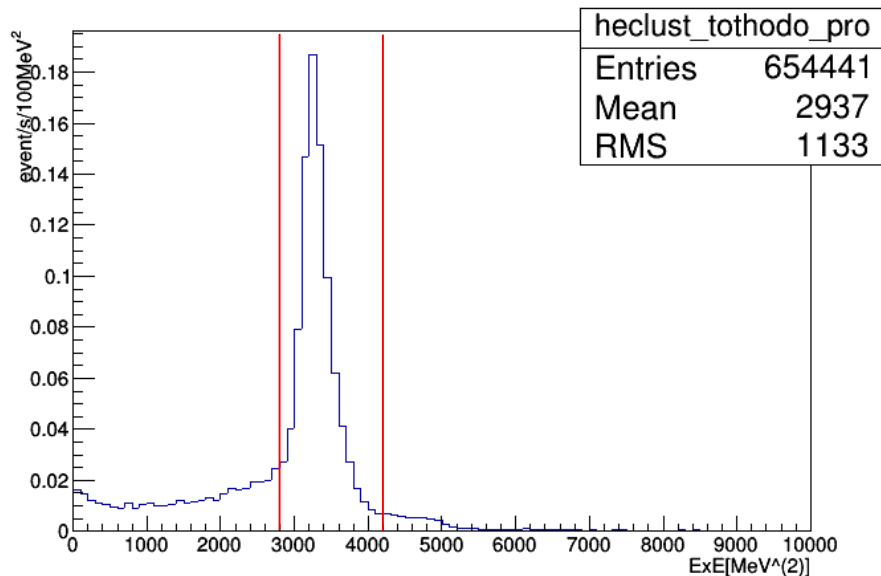
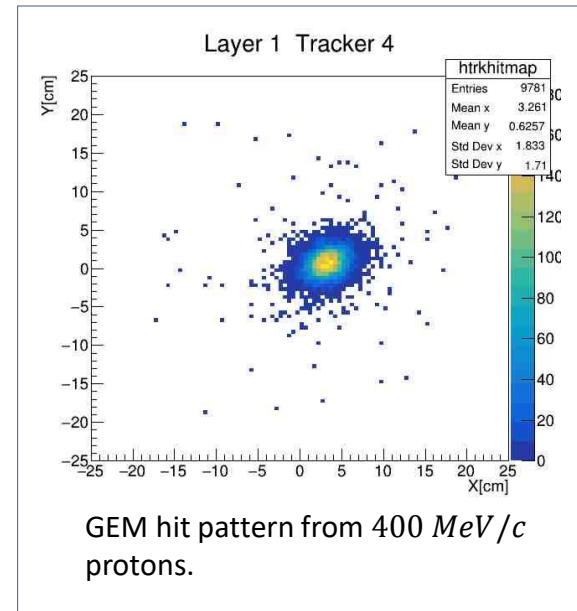
# Recoil proton ID

Low energy protons,  $E_{KIN}$  from  $\sim 30$  MeV to 450 MeV

Cuts to select good protons:

- $E_{HODO} > 15 \text{ MeV}$
- $90 \text{ MeV} < E_{HODO} + E_{CALO} < 450 \text{ MeV}$
- $2800 \text{ MeV}^2 < ExE < 4200 \text{ MeV}^2$ ,

where  $ExE = (E_{HODO} + E_{CALO} - 12) \times (E_{HODO} - 7)$



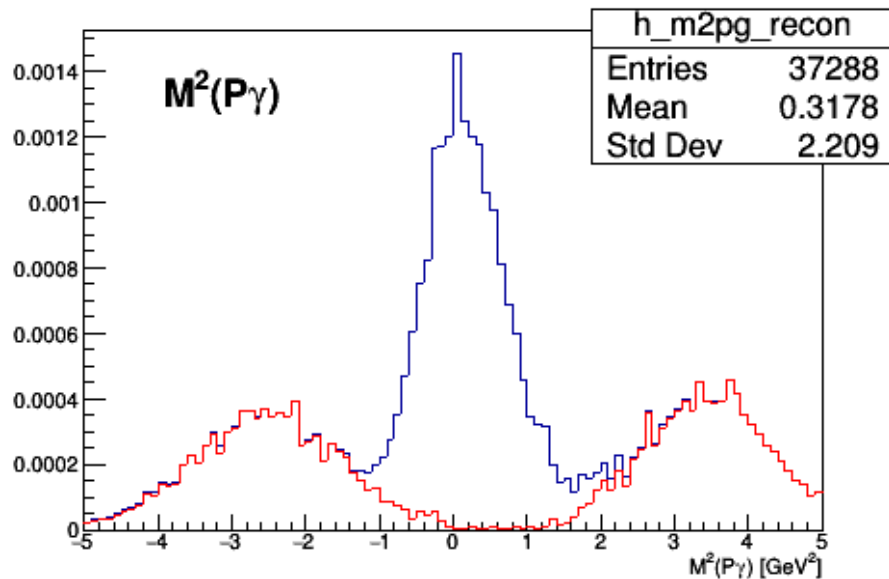
5T target field localized at target cell

Field behind scattering chamber too weak to distinguish pos. and neg. tracks.

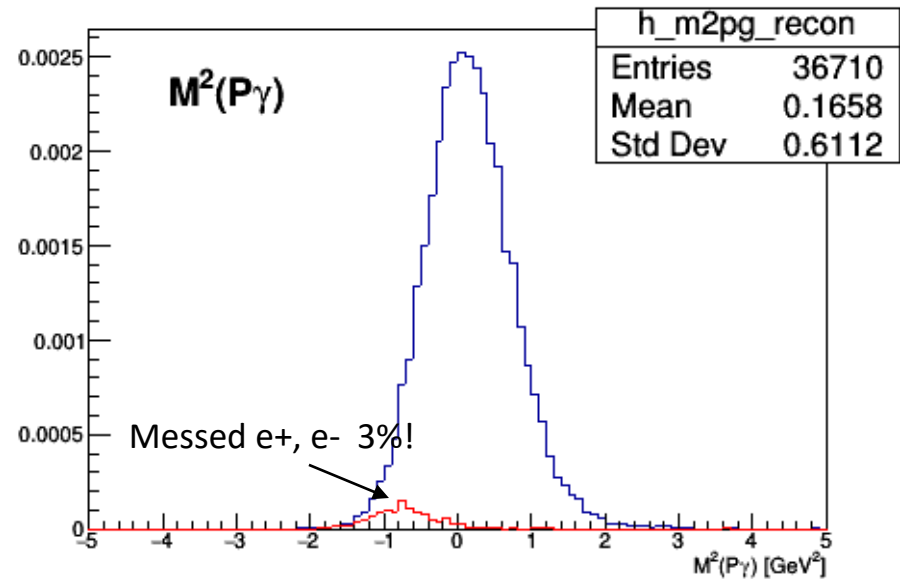
Alternative: use reconstructed incident photon mass:

- Reconstruct recoil proton;
- Reconstruct leptons twice, by assigning (+,-) and (-,+) charges;
- Combine with reconstructed proton to get 2 masses, choose smaller one.

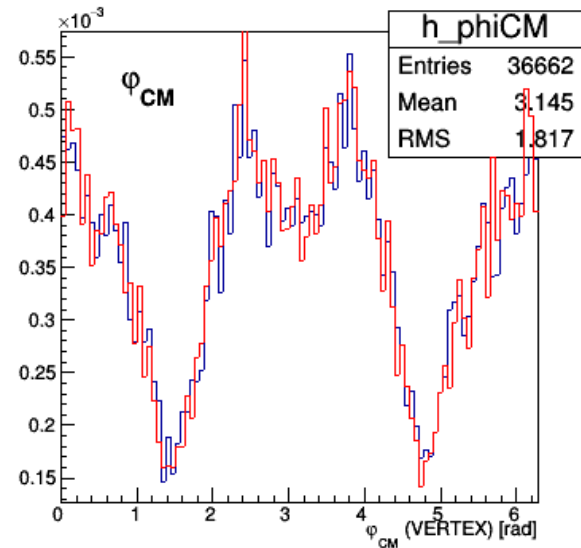
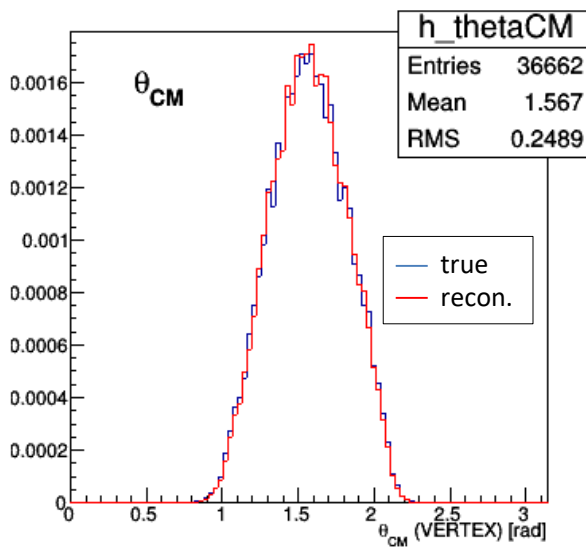
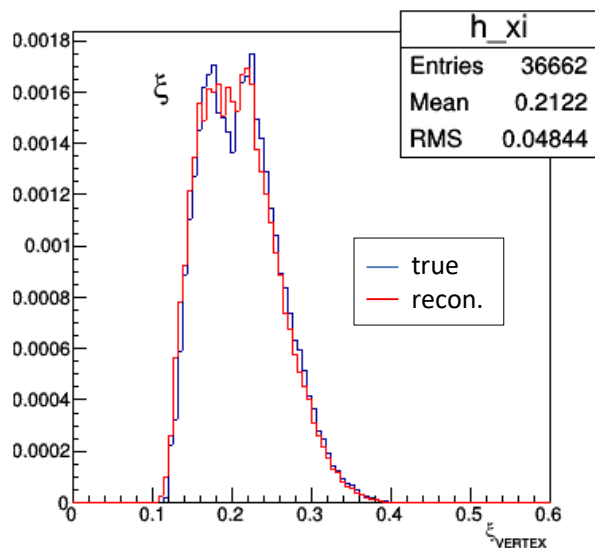
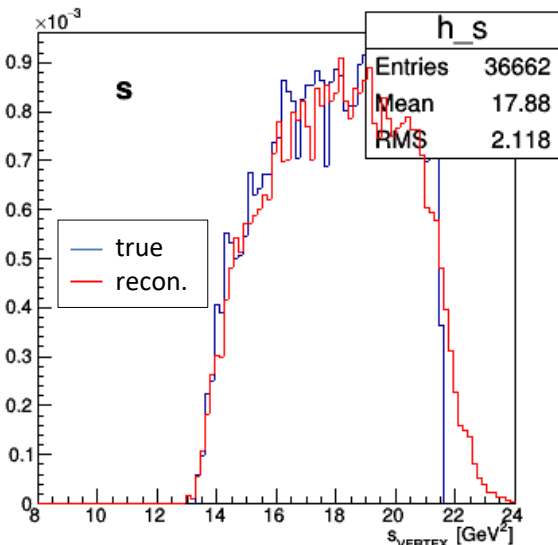
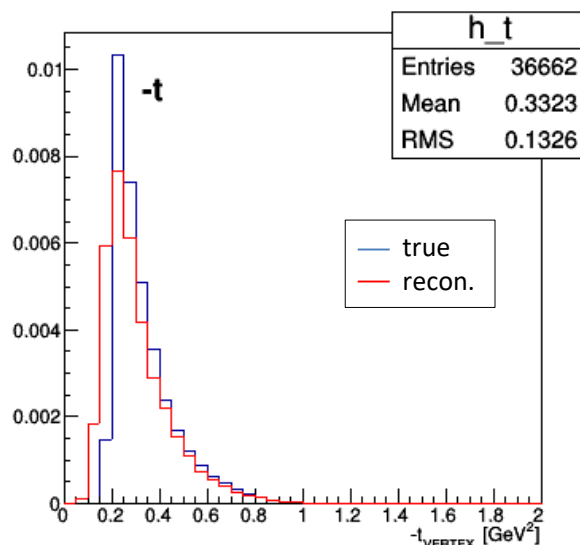
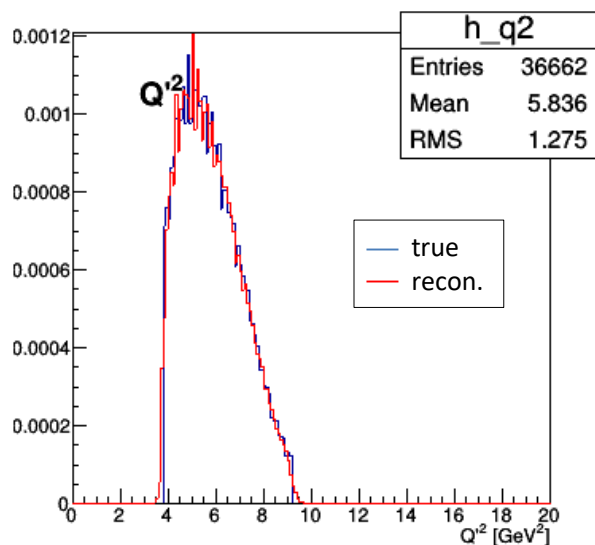
Random lepton charge assignment



Lepton charges according selection criteria



# Reconstructed versus true quantities



**TSA measurement with transversely oriented target spin is sensitive to  $\text{Im}(E)$  CFF**, hence to GPD  $E$  and OAM of partons.

**Accurate  $\text{Im}(H)$  CFF** measurement is essential for universality studies.

**Adding data from TCS with transversely oriented target spin** to the data bank from other TCS and DVCS experiments renders an opportunity to **probe the universality of GPDs**, contribute to data set for **GPD global fits**.

The proposal C-12-18-005 was conditionally approved by PAC 46 and PAC48 with C2 rating, and was deferred by PAC 50:

**Summary:** The PAC acknowledges that the physics case of the proposal is strong and nicely complements the extensive program of GPD-related measurements at JLab. However, given the difficulty of the measurement, the PAC feels that a deeper review of the experimental issues raised above is required, and that the collaboration needs to increase their workforce focusing on the challenging technical issues of this proposal. Given the extent of the additional work needed, the PAC recommends a deferral of this proposal, to enable sufficient time for addressing the technical issues.

**More studies needed on the experimental side**, with active involvement of experts, also students and postdoc-s.

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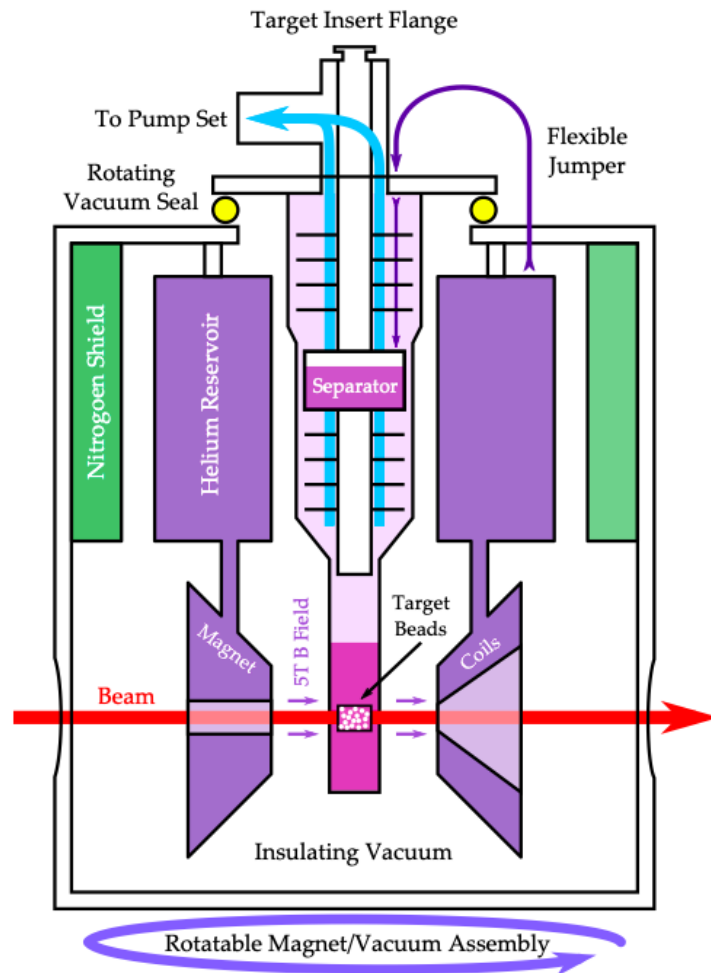
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Backup slides



# Experimental apparatus: UVA/JLab polarized target



*UVA target, nominal configuration*

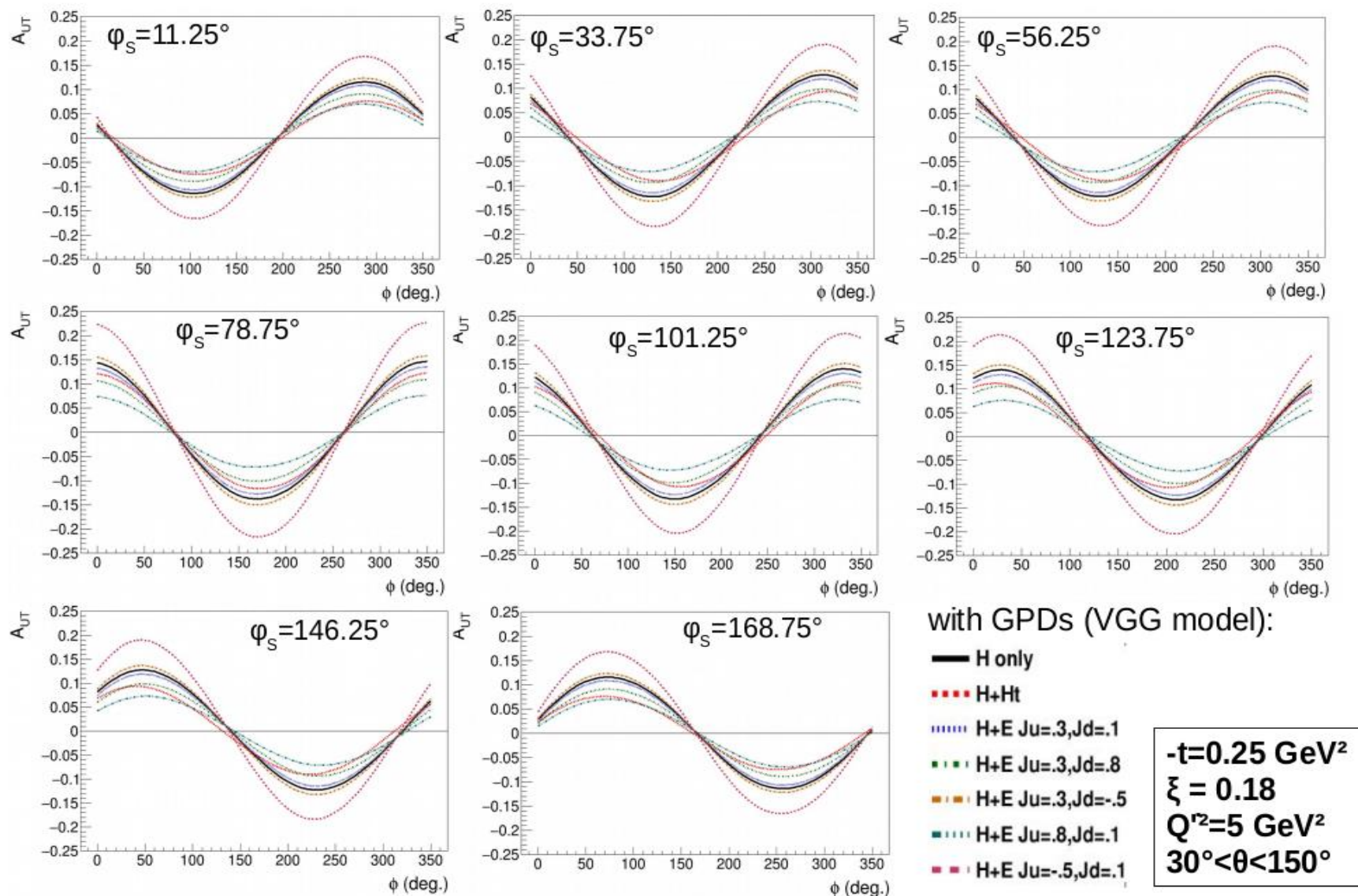
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## TCS configuration:

- **Setup rotated by 90°** around vertical axis.
- Sideways magnetic field and polarization.
- Angular acceptance  $\pm 17^\circ$  horizontally,  $\pm 21.7^\circ$  vertically ( *$\pm 25^\circ$  horizontally will be available with new magnet*).

Depolarization mitigated by combined rotation ( $\sim 1$  Hz) around horizontal axis and vertical up/down movement ( $\sim 10$  mm).

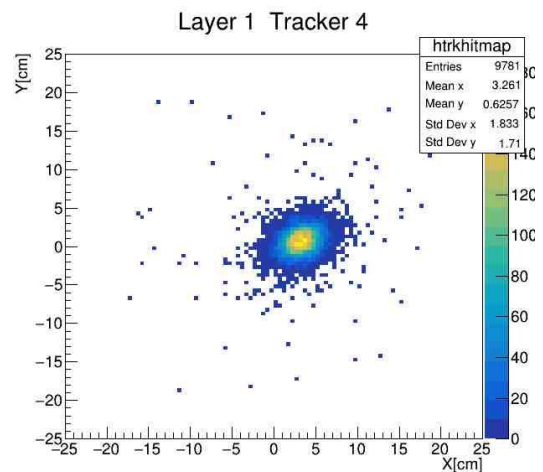
# Anticipated results: target asymmetries



- Shows strong dependence on angular momenta
- 8 bins: fit of  $2 \times 2$  orthogonal bins (4 independent ones) for CFFs global fits

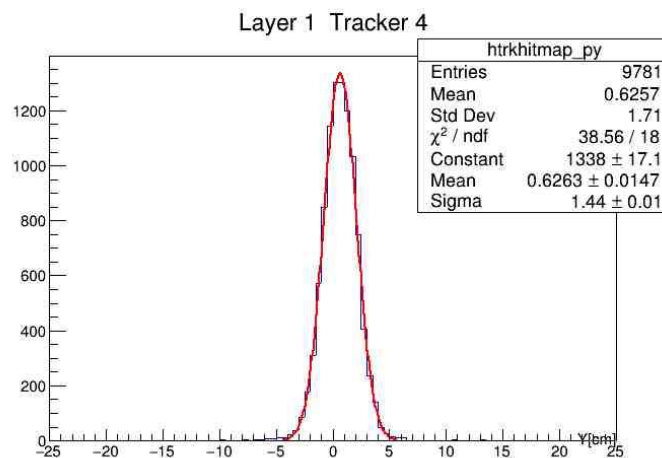
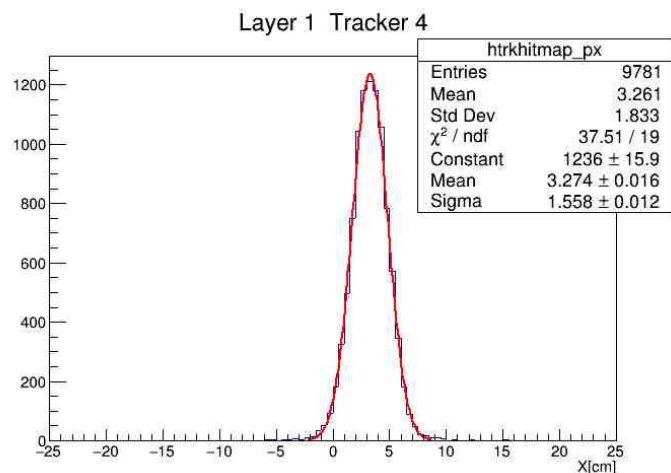
# Feasibility of recoil proton detection

400 MeV/c ( $E_{KIN} = 81$  MeV) proton passed from target to 1-st layer GEM.



Tracks with  $\theta_Y = 15^\circ$  at vertex:

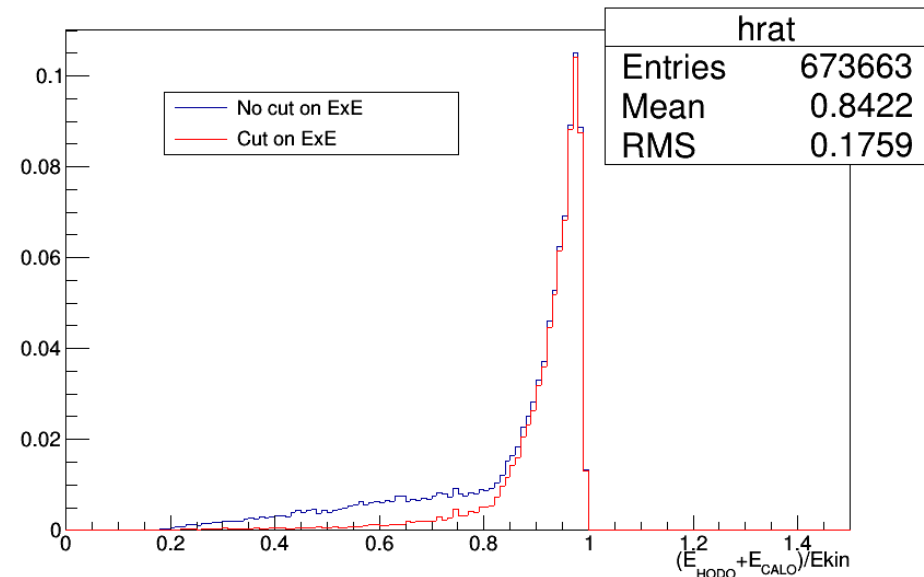
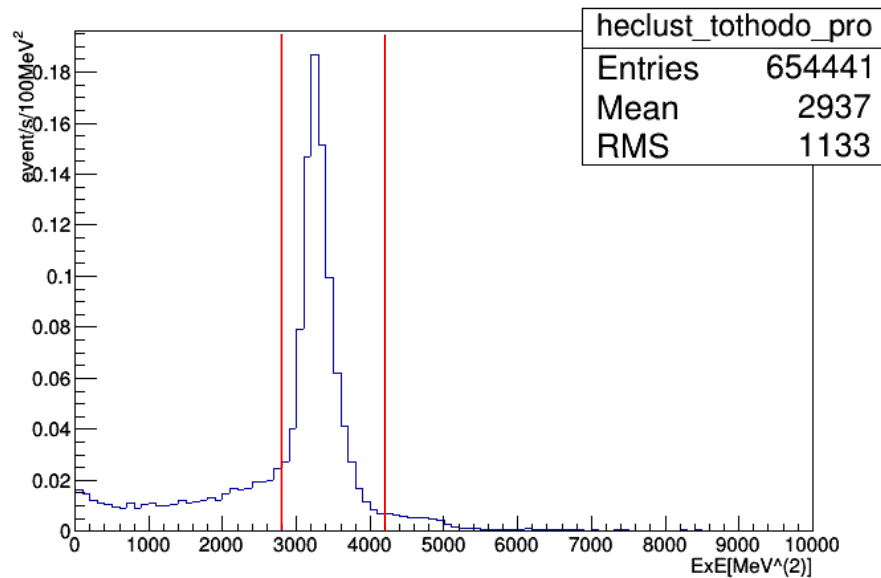
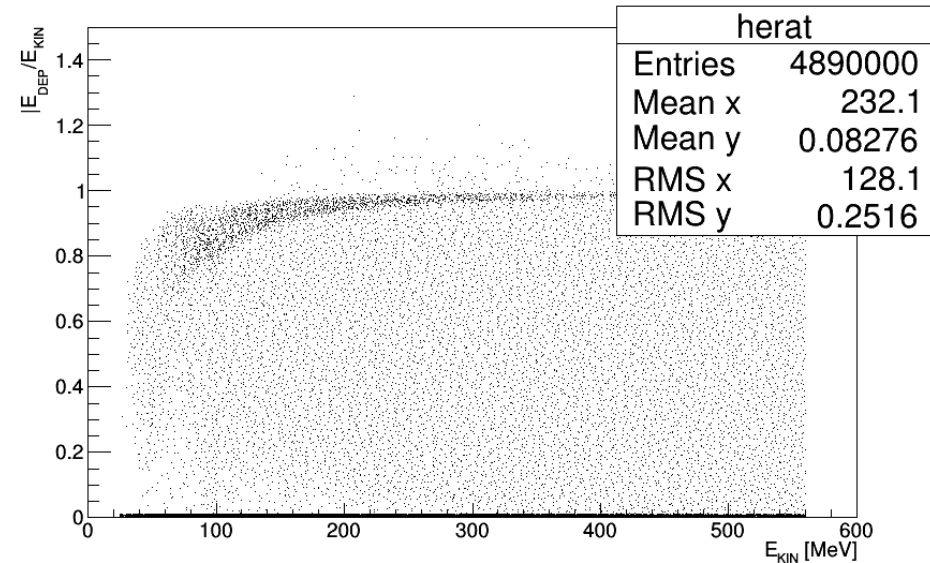
- Hit spot size  $\sigma \sim 1.5$  cm
- Fraction of hits within  $R < 4.5$  cm -- 94.5%



# Proton selection

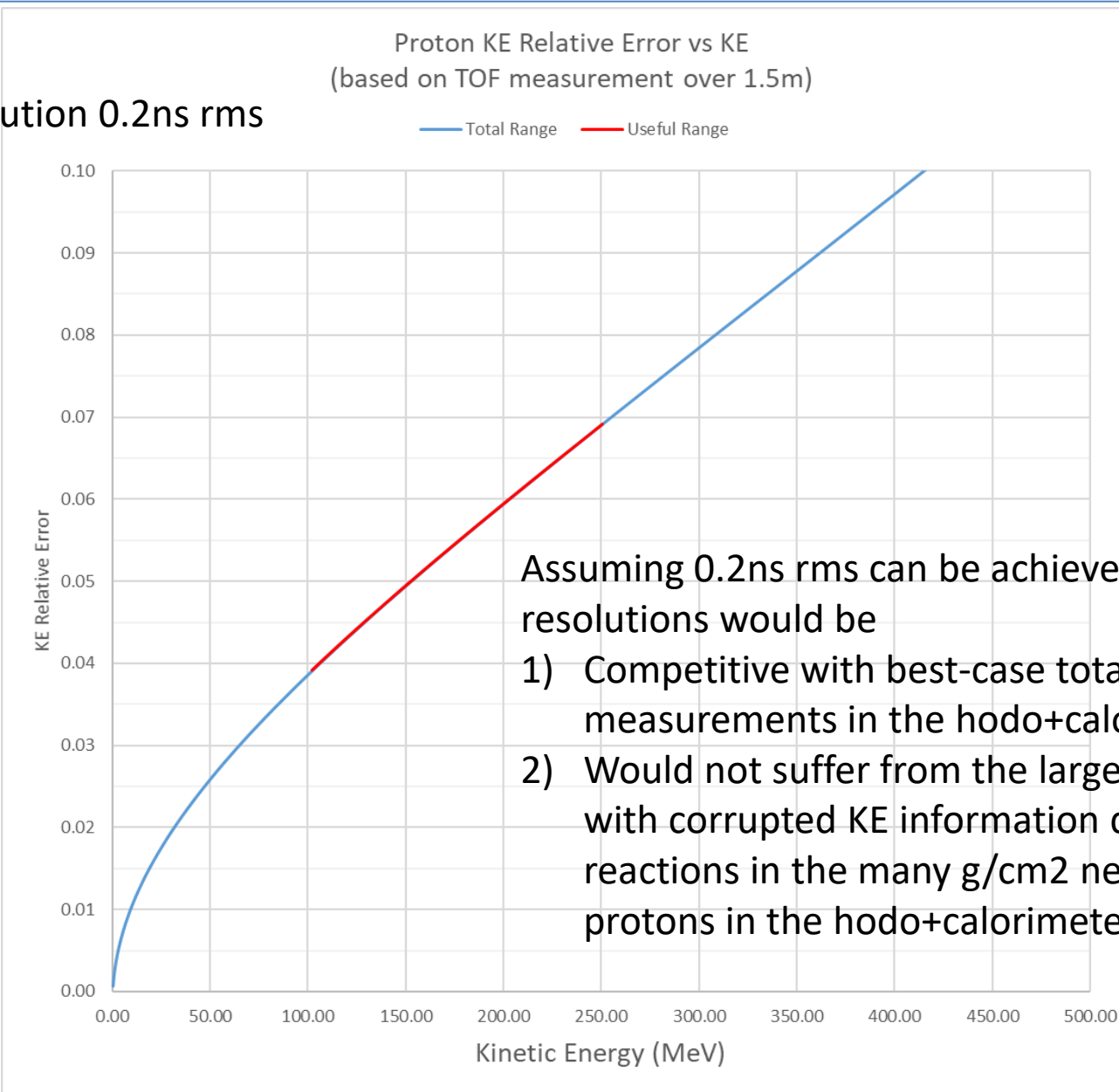
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# Recoil proton ID

Time resolution 0.2ns rms

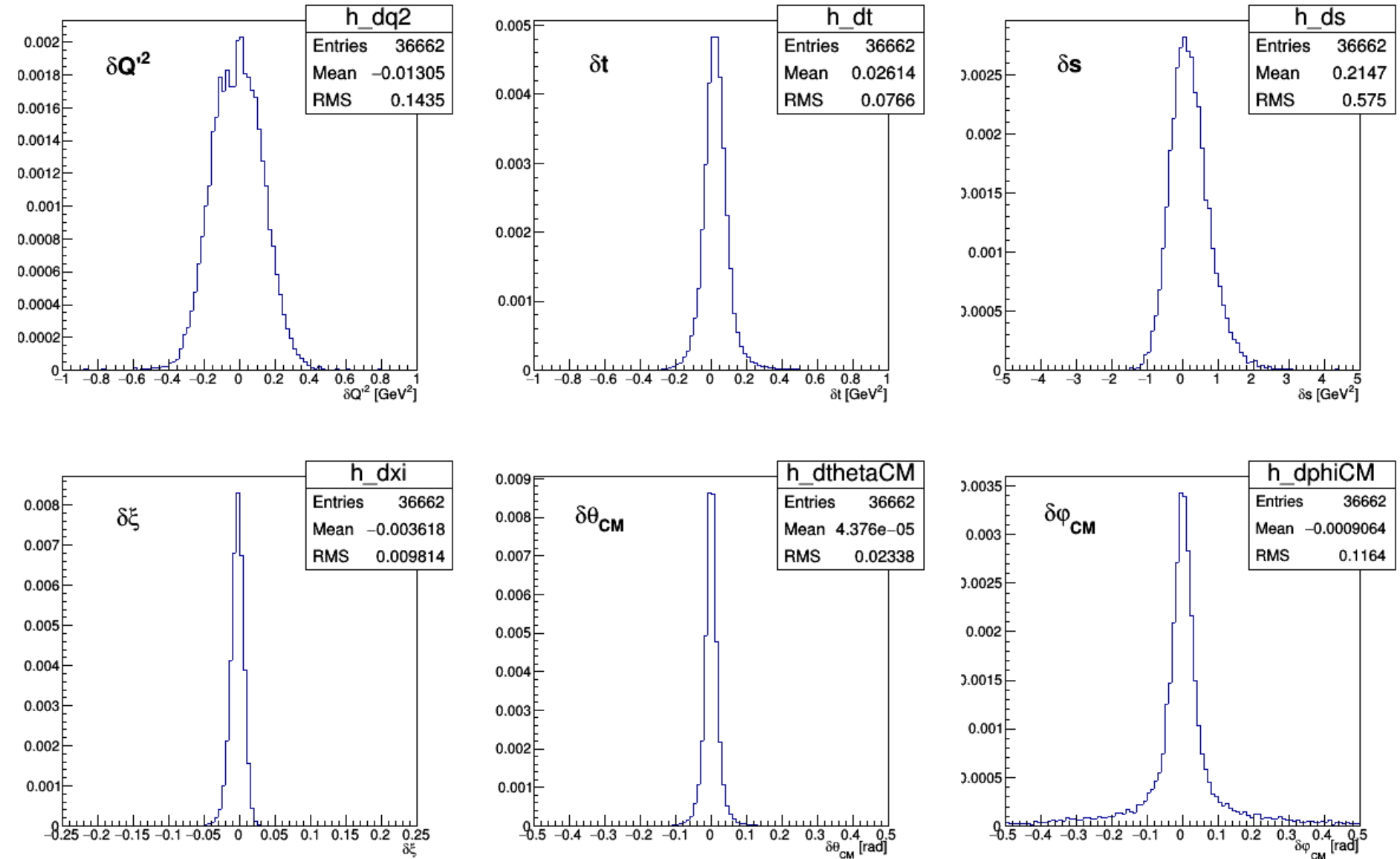


Assuming 0.2ns rms can be achieved, these resolutions would be

- 1) Competitive with best-case total absorption measurements in the hodo+calorimeter, but
- 2) Would not suffer from the large fraction of events with corrupted KE information due to nuclear reactions in the many g/cm<sup>2</sup> needed to stop the protons in the hodo+calorimeter.

*Courtesy D.Mack*

# Residuals of reconstructed quantities



*Resolutions acceptable for analysis.*