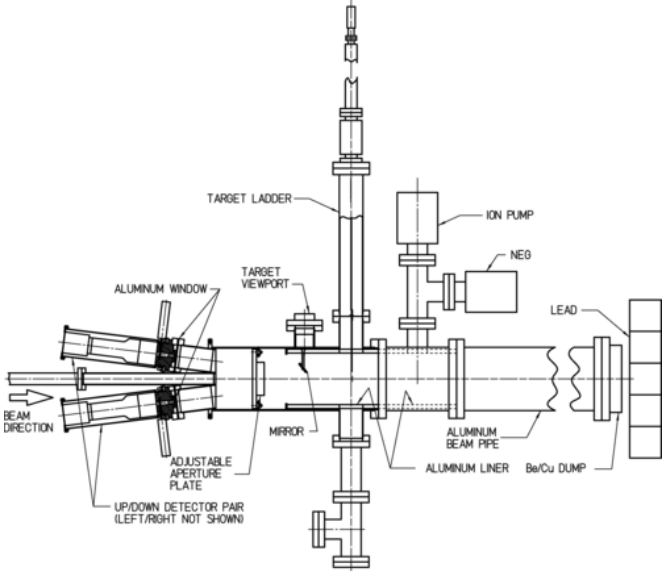
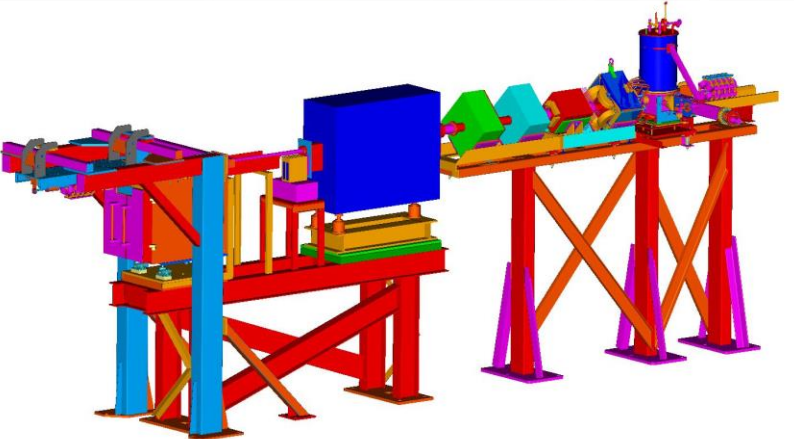
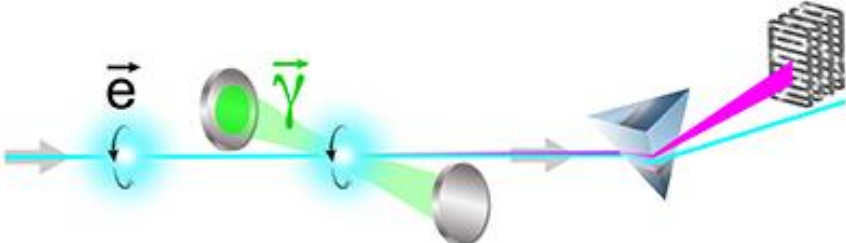


# Electron Polarimetry

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# Electron Beam Polarimetry

Beam polarization determined via measurement of scattering asymmetry with *known* analyzing power

$$A_{\text{measured}} = P_{\text{beam}} A_{\text{effective}}$$

$A_{\text{effective}}$  incorporates theoretical analyzing power, convoluted over polarimeter acceptance  
→ May include additional corrections (radiative effects, “Levchuk” effect, etc.)

Process may rely on a double-spin or single-spin asymmetry

- Double-spin measurements rely on knowledge of the target polarization
- Single-spin asymmetry → no target polarization, but only one useful process (Mott scattering), can only be used at low energy
- Electron polarimetry → for all useful processes, analyzing power known with high precision (QED)

# Electron Polarimetry Techniques

## Common techniques for measuring electron beam polarization

- Mott scattering:  $\vec{e} + Z \rightarrow e$ , spin-orbit coupling of electron spin with (large Z) target nucleus
  - Useful at MeV-scale (injector) energies
- Møller scattering:  $\vec{e} + \vec{e} \rightarrow e + e$ , atomic electrons in Fe (or Fe-alloy) polarized using external magnetic field
  - Can be used at MeV to GeV-scale energies – rapid, precise measurements
  - Usually destructive (solid target) – non-destructive measurements possible with polarized gas target, but such measurements not common
- Compton scattering:  $\vec{e} + \vec{\gamma} \rightarrow e + \gamma$ , laser photons scatter from electron beam
  - Easiest at high energies
  - Non-destructive, but systematics are energy dependent

## Other polarimetry techniques

- Spin-light polarimetry – use analyzing power from emission of synchrotron radiation ([https://doi.org/10.1016/0168-9002\(84\)90119-0](https://doi.org/10.1016/0168-9002(84)90119-0))
- Compton transmission polarimetry (<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2024.169224>)

# Introduction – Towards High Precision Electron Polarimetry

- Experiments have become ever more demanding in terms of electron beam polarization and required precision on knowledge of degree of polarization
- Hadronic physics experiments using polarized beams/targets dominated by knowledge of target polarization → usually on the order of 3-4%
  - *Requirements on electron beam polarimetry correspondingly modest*
- Precision in electron beam polarimetry has been driven by needs of **parity violating electron scattering** experiments
  - **Precision of 1% or better desired**
- Future PV experiments aim for precision better than 0.5%
- Future **EIC** will make measurements with highly polarized hadron beams
  - High precision polarimetry will become increasingly relevant for hadronic physics experiments

Experiment	Beam Energy	Polarization	Polarimetry Precision
JLab GEp/GMp (1999)	1-4 GeV	60%	3%
SLAC E154 DIS g <sub>1n</sub> (1997)	48 GeV	82%	2.4%
HERMES g <sub>1n</sub> DIS (2007)	30 GeV	55%	2.9%
SLAC 122 PV-DIS (1978)	16-22 GeV	37%	6%
Bates SAMPLE (2000)	0.2 GeV	39%	4%
MAMI PV-A4 (2004)	0.85 GeV	80%	2.1%
JLab Q-weak (2017)	1.2 GeV	88%	0.62%
SLD A <sub>LR</sub> (2000)	46.5 GeV	75%	0.5%

# Mott Polarimetry

Mott scattering:  $\vec{e} + Z \rightarrow e$

→ Spin-orbit coupling of electron spin with (large Z) target nucleus gives single-spin asymmetry for transversely polarized electrons

Mott polarimetry useful at low energies

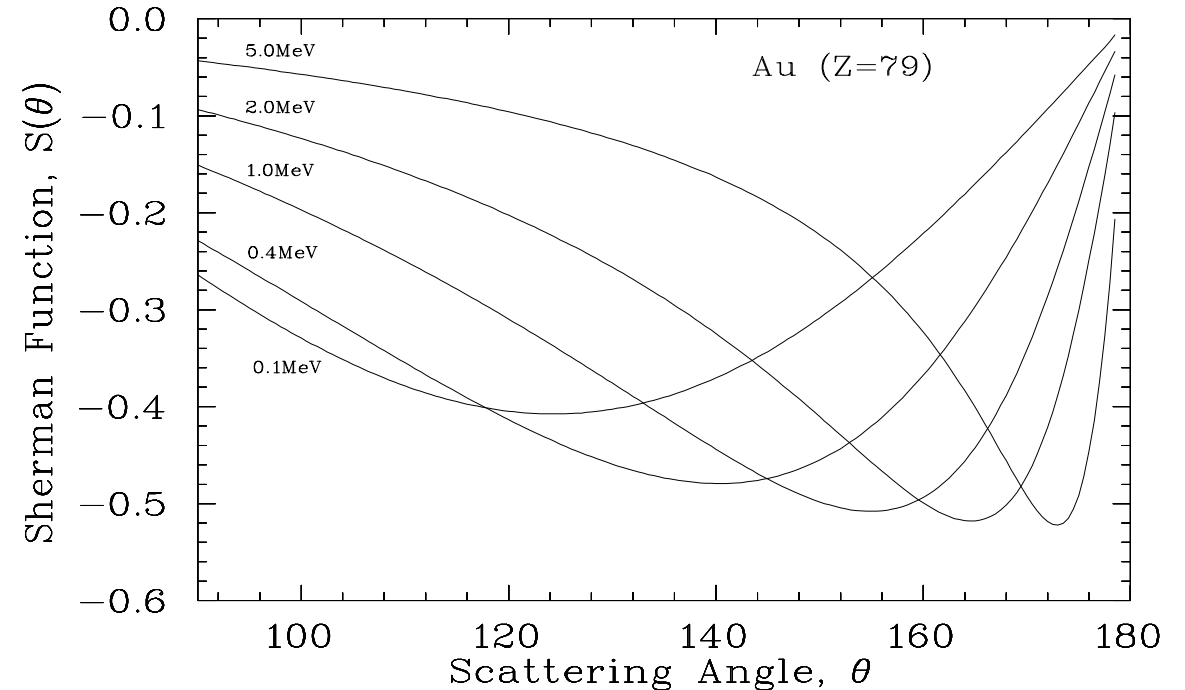
→ ~ 100 keV to 5 MeV

→ Ideal for use in polarized electron injectors

$$\sigma(\theta, \phi) = I(\theta)[1 + S(\theta)\vec{P} \cdot \hat{n}]$$

$I(\theta)$  → unpolarized cross section

$$I(\theta) = \left( \frac{Ze^2}{2mc^2} \right)^2 \frac{(1 - \beta^2)(1 - \beta^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2})}{\beta^4 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$



$S(\theta)$  is the Sherman function

→ must be calculated from electron-nucleus cross section

→ Dominant systematic uncertainty but controlled to better than 1%

# Sherman Function

Sherman function describes single-atom elastic scattering from atomic nucleus

$$S(\theta) = i \frac{fg^* - gf^*}{f^2 + g^2}$$

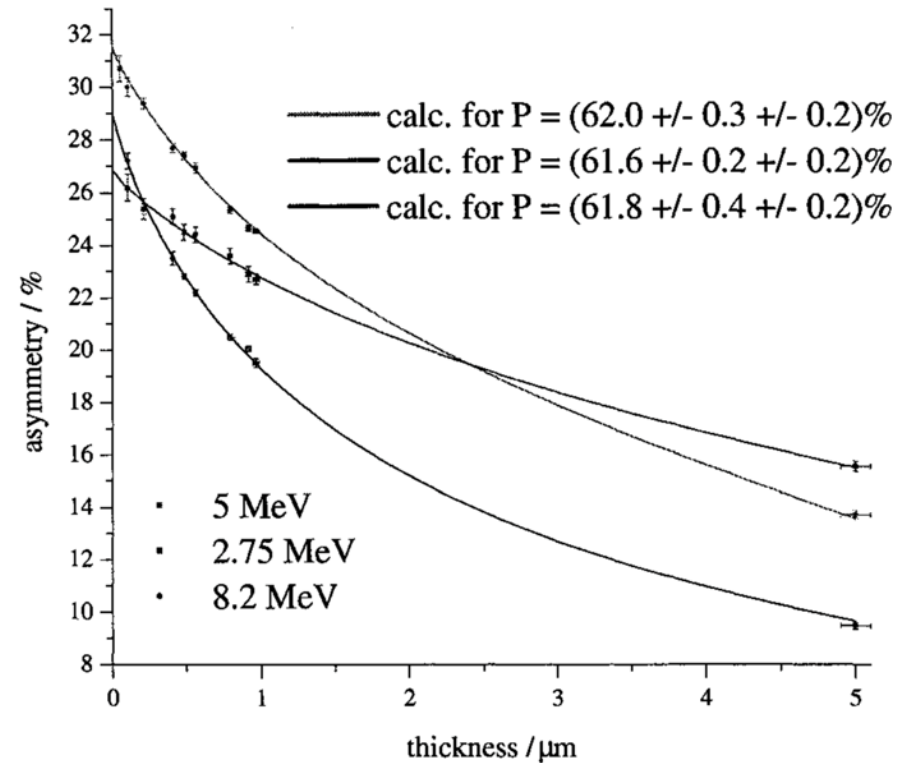
Direct amplitude

Spin flip amplitude

$f$  and  $g$  can be calculated exactly for spherically symmetric charge distribution

Knowledge of nuclear charge distribution and atomic electron distribution leads to systematic error

→ Controlled better than 0.5% for regime 2-10 MeV

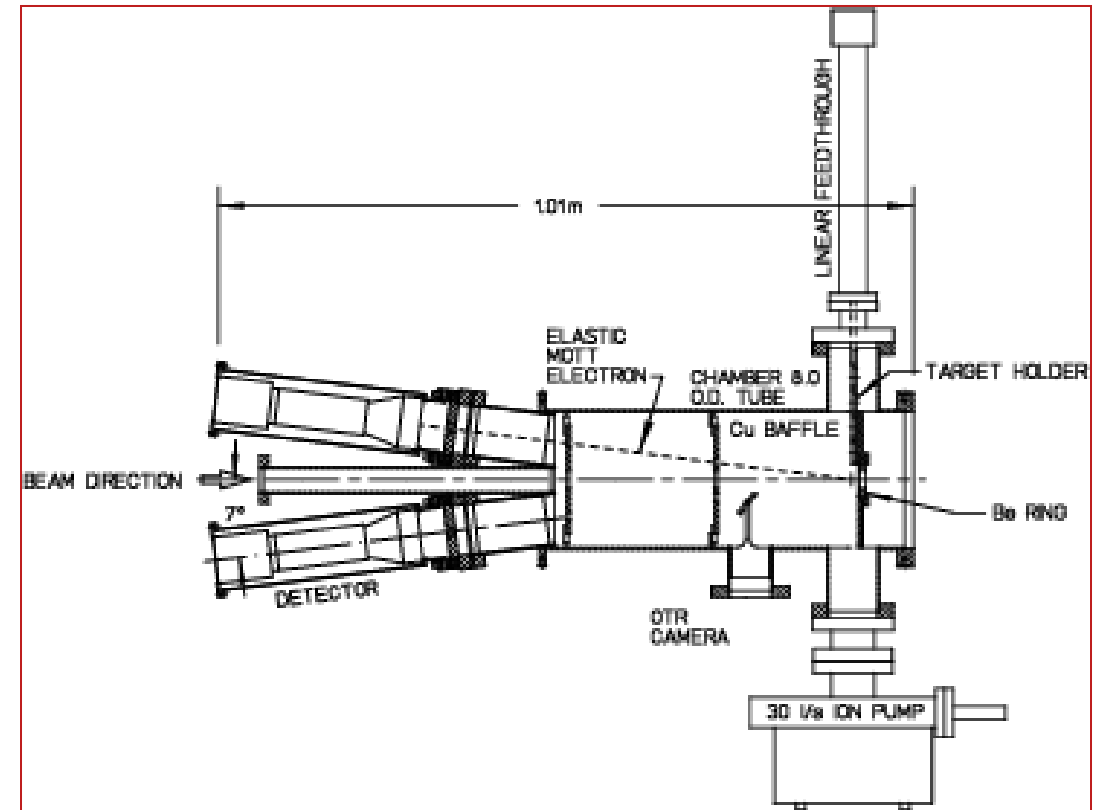


Finite thickness, electron may scatter more than once → Effective Sherman function  
→ Measure at various foil thicknesses, extrapolate to zero

# JLab 5 MeV Mott

Routinely used in CEBAF injector

- Optimized for operation at 5 MeV
  - Studied between 3-8 MeV
- Detectors at 172.7 degrees
  - Thin and thick scintillators
- Typically uses thin gold target (1 mm or less)
- Some backgrounds possible due to nearby beam dump
  - Has been studied using lower duty cycle beam + time of flight
- Recent extensive systematic studies yield overall systematic uncertainty  $< 1\%$



Jefferson Lab 5 MeV Mott Polarimeter



# Møller Scattering

Electron beam scatters from (polarized) atomic electrons in atom (typically iron or similar)

Longitudinally polarized electrons/target:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega^*} = \frac{\alpha^2}{s} \frac{(3 + \cos^2 \theta^*)^2}{\sin^4 \theta^*} [1 + P_e P_t A_{\parallel}(\theta^*)]$$

$$A_{\parallel} = \frac{-(7 + \cos^2 \theta^*) \sin^2 \theta^*}{(3 + \cos^2 \theta^*)^2} \quad \rightarrow \text{At } \theta^*=90 \text{ deg. } \rightarrow -7/9$$

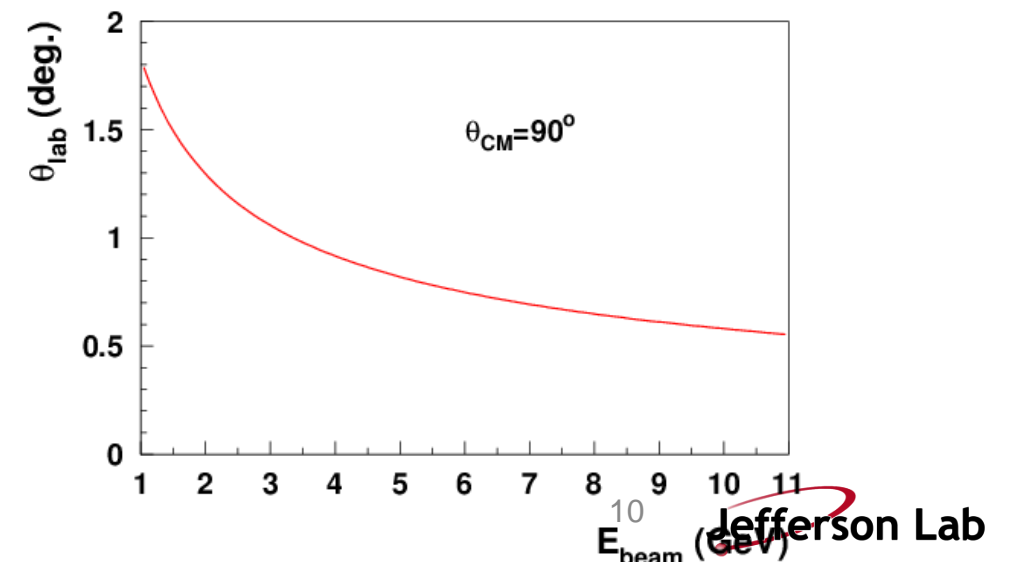
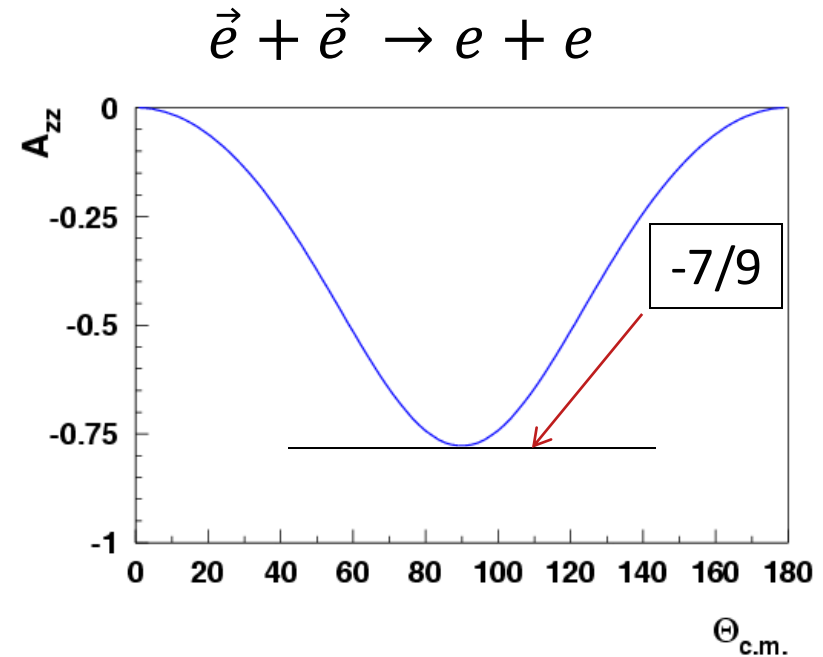
Transversely polarized electrons/target

$$A_{\perp} = \frac{-\sin^4 \theta^*}{(3 + \cos^2 \theta^*)^2} \quad \rightarrow \text{At } \theta^*=90 \text{ deg. } \rightarrow -1/9$$

Maximum asymmetry independent of beam energy

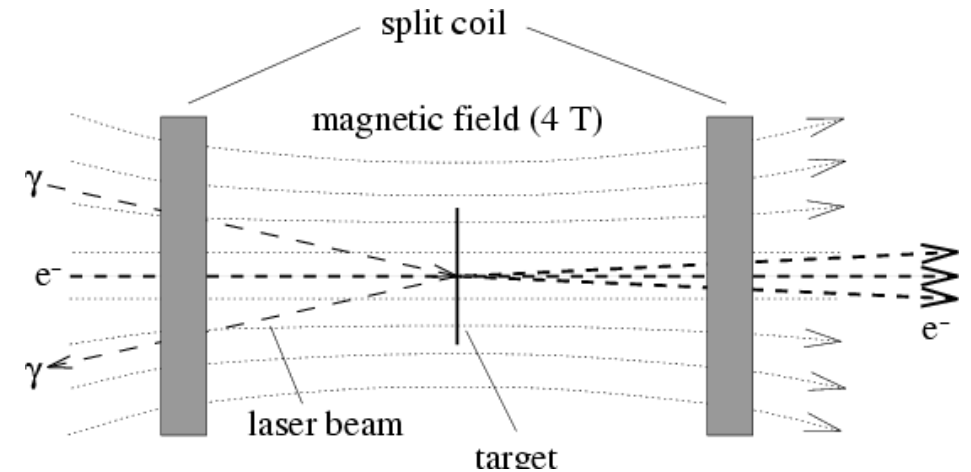
# Møller Polarimetry

- Møller polarimetry benefits from large longitudinal analyzing power  $\rightarrow -7/9$  (transverse  $\rightarrow -1/9$ )
  - $\rightarrow$  Asymmetry independent of energy
  - $\rightarrow$  Relatively slowly varying near  $\vartheta_{cm}=90^\circ$
  - $\rightarrow$  Large asymmetry diluted by need to use iron foils to create polarized electrons
- Large boost results in Møller events near  $\theta_{cm}=90^\circ$  having small lab angle
  - $\rightarrow$  Magnets/spectrometer required so that detectors can be adequate distance from beam
- Dominant backgrounds from Mott scattering – totally suppressed via coincidence detection of scattered and recoiling electrons
- Rates are large, so rapid measurements are easy
- The need to use Fe or Fe-alloy foils means measurement must be destructive
- Foil depolarization at high currents



# Polarized Target for Møller Polarimetry

- Originally, Møller polarimeters used Fe-alloy targets, polarized in plane of the foil
  - Used modest magnetic field
- In-plane polarized targets typically result is systematic errors of 2-3%
  - Require careful measurement magnetization of foil
- Pure Fe saturated in 4 T field
  - Spin polarization well known  $\rightarrow$  0.25%
  - Temperature dependence well known
  - No need to directly measure foil polarization

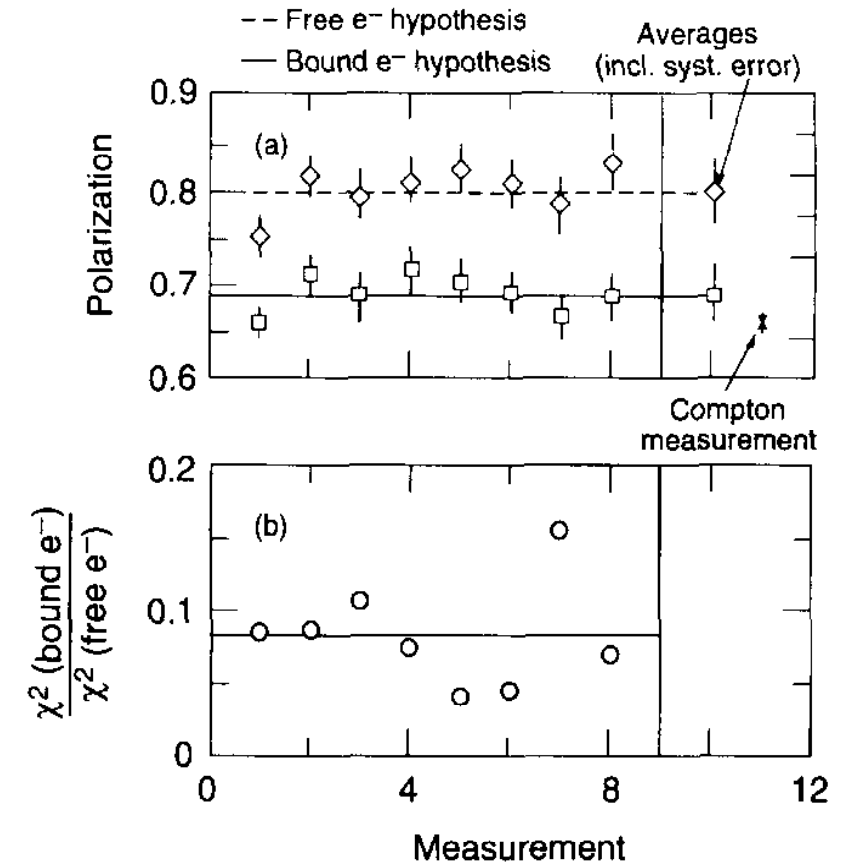


Effect	$M_s[\mu_B]$	error
Saturation magnetization ( $T \rightarrow 0$ K, $B \rightarrow 0$ T)	2.2160	$\pm 0.0008$
Saturation magnetization ( $T=294$ K, $B=1$ T)	2.177	$\pm 0.002$
Corrections for $B=1 \rightarrow 4$ T	0.0059	$\pm 0.0002$
Total magnetization	2.183	$\pm 0.002$
Magnetization from orbital motion	0.0918	$\pm 0.0033$
Magnetization from spin	2.0911	$\pm 0.004$
Target electron polarization ( $T=294$ K, $B=4$ T)	0.08043	$\pm 0.00015$

# Levchuk Effect

- On average, about 2 out of 26 atomic electrons in Fe atom are polarized
  - Polarized electrons are in outer shells
  - Inner shell, more tightly-bound electrons are unpolarized
- Electrons scattering from inner-shell electrons result in a "smearing" of the correlation between momentum and scattering angle
- For finite acceptance detector, this can result in lower efficiency for detection of events scattering from more tightly bound (unpolarized) electrons
- Ignoring this "Levchuk\*" effect can result in incorrect polarization measurements
- First observed experimentally at SLAC in 1995 – size of effect depends on detector acceptance

\*L. G. Levchuk, *Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A345 (1994) 496*

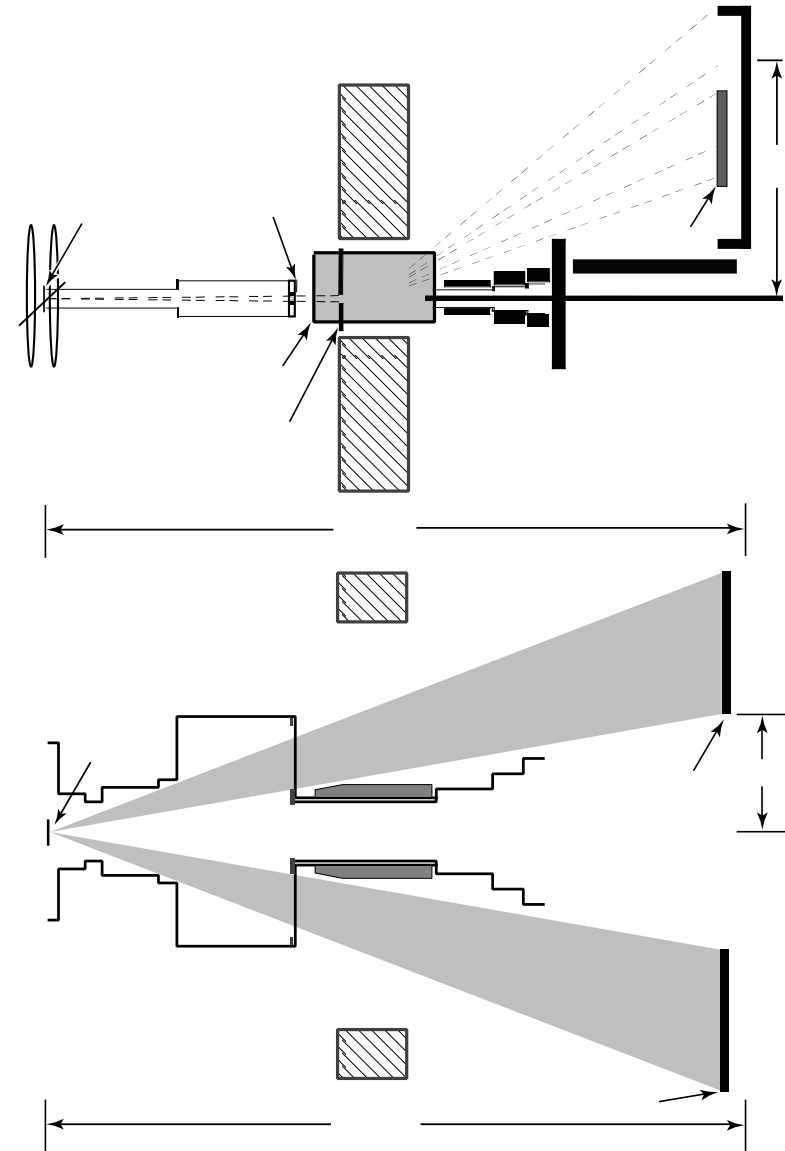
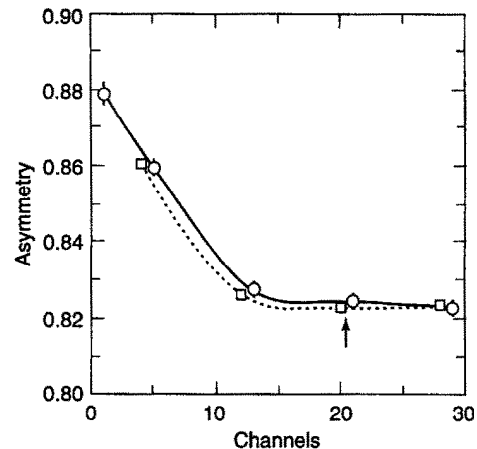
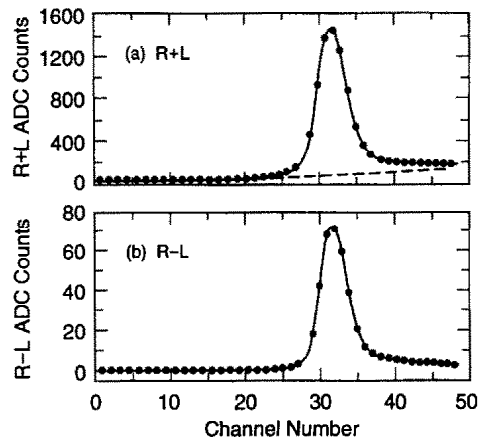


*M. Swartz et al., Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A363 (1995) 526*

# SLAC E154 Møller Polarimeter

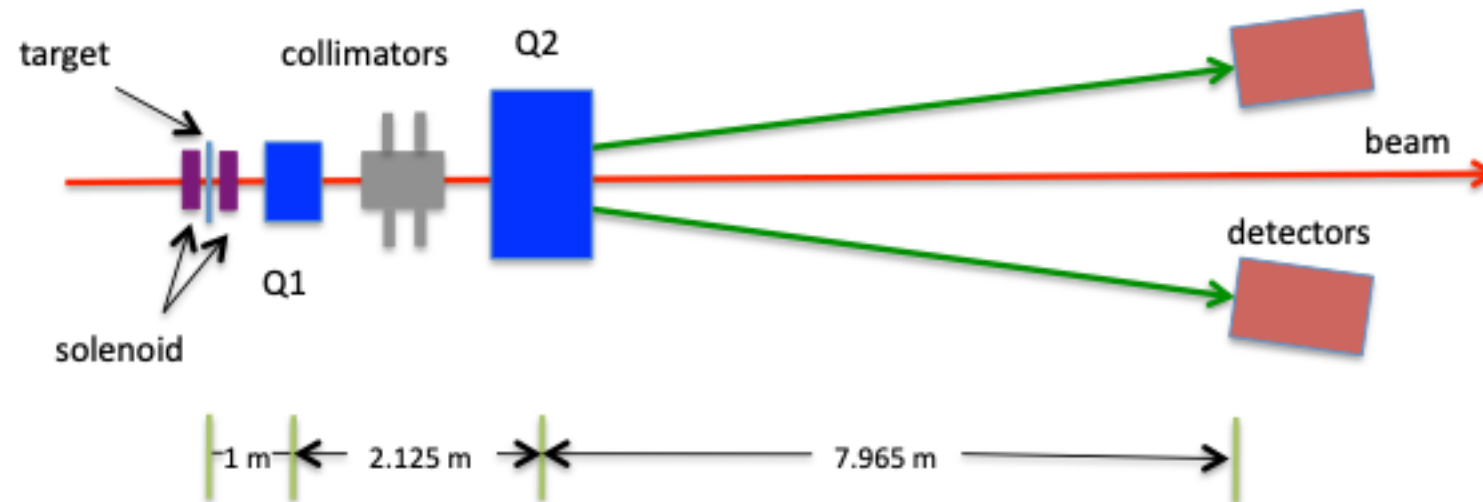
Single-arm polarimeter used in End Station at SLAC in the 1990's

- Low field, in-plane polarized target
- 2-detectors, but did not detect scattered and recoil electrons in coincidence
- Scattered electrons steered to detectors using dipole – no focusing quads
- Electrons detected with silicon strip detectors
- Overall systematic uncertainty 2.4%, dominated by target polarization (1.7%) and background subtraction (2%)



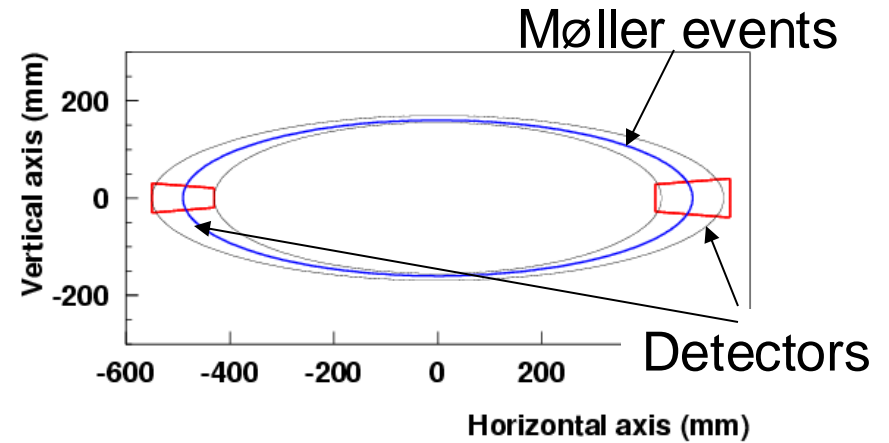
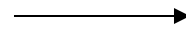
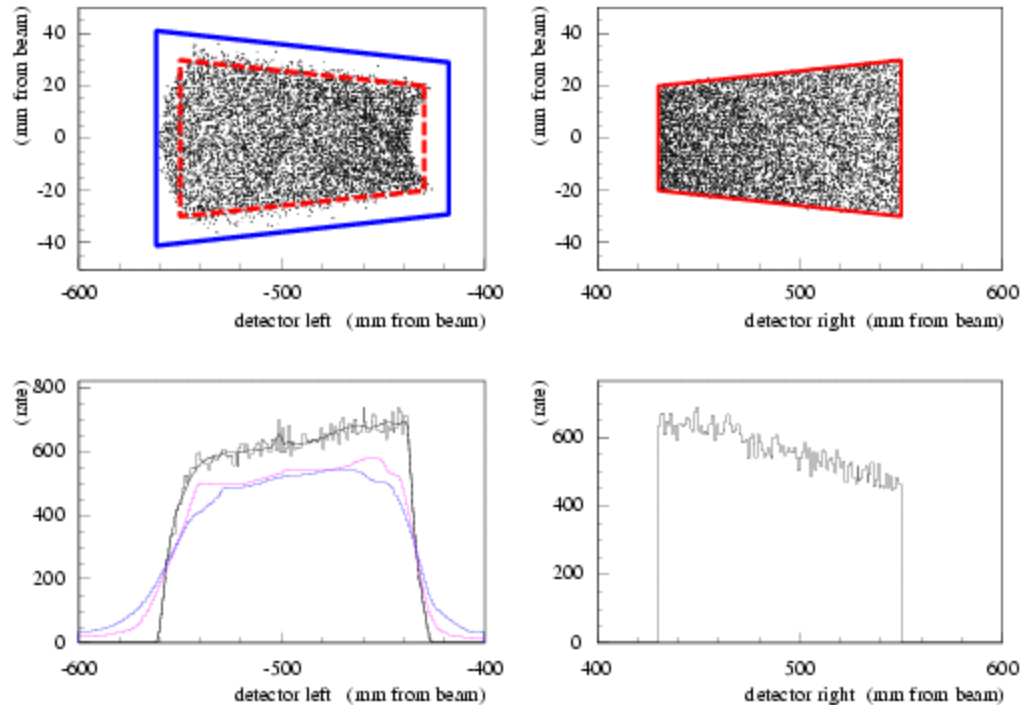
# Hall C Møller Polarimeter at Jefferson Lab

- First polarimeter to use high field, out-of-plane polarized target
- Detects scattered and recoil electron in coincidence
- 2 quadrupole optics maintains constant tune at detector plane, independent of beam energy
- “Moderate” acceptance mitigates **Levchuk** effect → still a non-trivial source of uncertainty
- Target = pure Fe foil, brute-force polarized out of plane with 3-4 T superconducting magnet
- Target polarization uncertainty = **0.25%** [NIM A 462 (2001) 382]



# Hall C Møller Acceptance

Optics designed to maintain similar acceptance at detectors independent of beam energy



Collimators in front of Pb:Glass detectors define acceptance

One slightly larger to reduce sensitivity to Levchuk effect

# Møller Systematic Uncertainties

Source	Uncertainty	$dA/A$ (%)
Beam position $x$	0.5 mm	0.17
Beam position $y$	0.5 mm	0.28
Beam direction $x$	0.5 mr	0.10
Beam direction $y$	0.5 mr	0.10
Q1 current	2% (1.9 A)	0.07
Q3 current	2.5% (3.25 A)	0.05
Q3 position	1 mm	0.10
Multiple scattering	10%	0.01
Levchuk effect	10%	0.33
Collimator positions	0.5 mm	0.03
Target temperature	100%	0.14
B-field direction	2°	0.14
B-field strength	5%	0.03
Spin polarization in Fe		0.25
Electronic D.T.	100%	0.04
Solenoid focusing	100%	0.21
Solenoid position (x,y)	0.5 mm	0.23
Additional point-to-point		0.0
High current extrapolation		0.5
Monte Carlo statistics		0.14
Total		0.85

Systematic error table from Q-Weak (2<sup>nd</sup> run) in Hall C (2012)

→ Some uncertainties larger than usual due to low beam energy (1 GeV)

→ Levchuk effect, target polarization same at all energies

Total uncertainty less than 1%

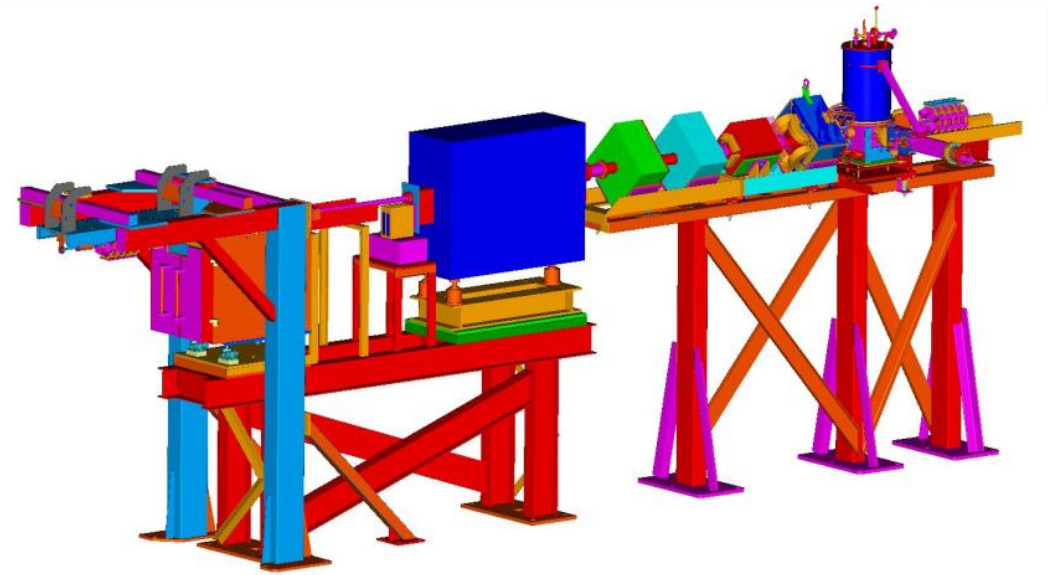
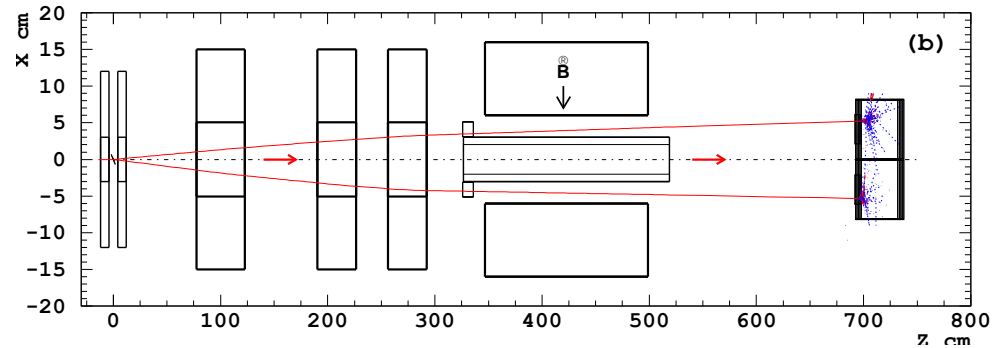
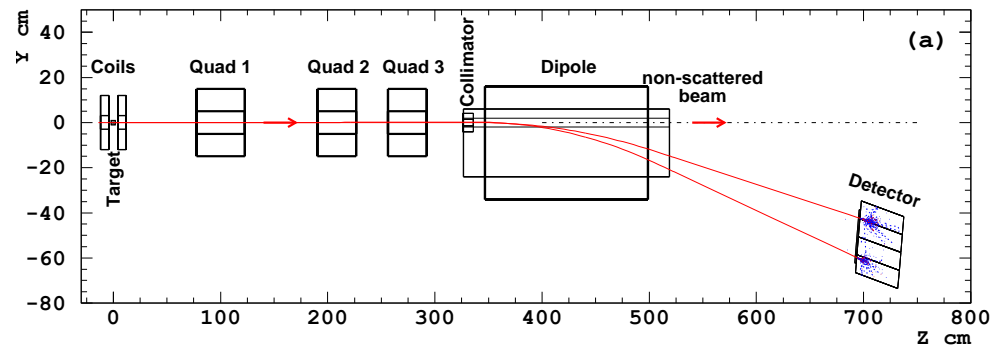


# Hall A Møller Polarimeter at Jefferson Lab

Like Hall C, uses high field target polarized out-of-plane

→ Initially used low field target, but upgraded to achieve higher precision

→ Large detector acceptance to mitigate Levchuk effect



- Optics uses combination of 3(4) quadrupoles + dipole
- Same tune cannot be used for all energies – each energy requires new solution
- Overall systematic uncertainties comparable to Hall C

# Møller Polarimetry with an Atomic Hydrogen Target

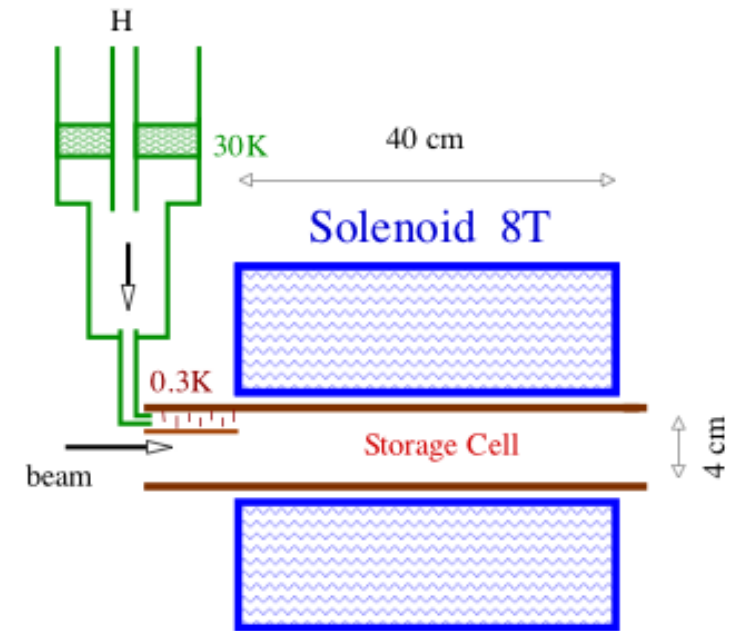
Proposal to use atomic hydrogen as target; operates at full beam current, non-destructive measurement

- at 300 mK, 8 T,  $P_e \sim 100\%$
- density  $\sim 3 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- lifetime  $> 1$  hour
- Expected precision  $< 0.5\%$ !

Contamination, depolarization expected to be small  $\rightarrow < 10^{-4}$

Such a target allows measurements concurrent with running experiment, mitigates Levchuk effect

System is under development for use at MAINZ for the P2 experiment  $\rightarrow$  polarization measurements expected within the next couple years

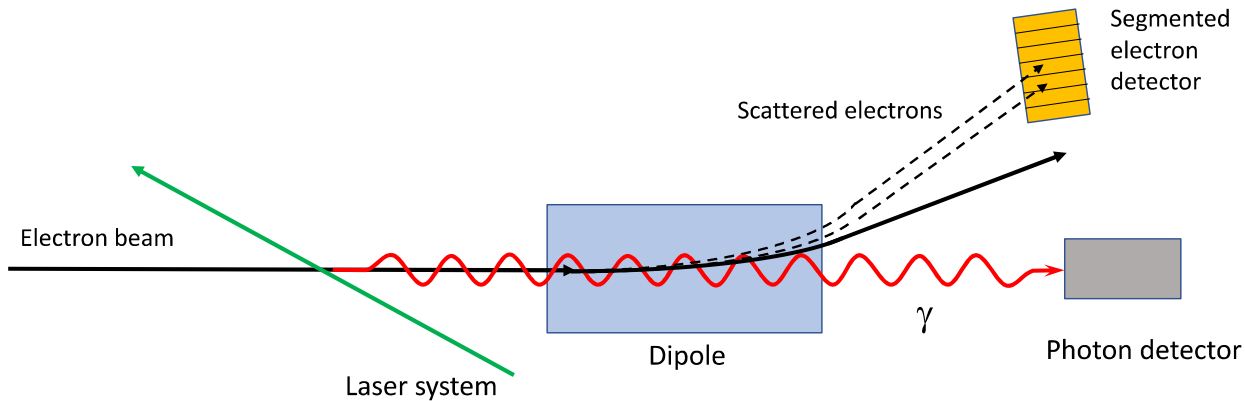


Application in storage rings?

- Gas heating by radiation drops density
- Beam creates fields that may trap positive ions

*Maybe some kind of H jet target can be used instead?*

# Compton Polarimetry



Polarimeter	Energy	Sys. Uncertainty
CERN LEP*	46 GeV	5%
HERA LPOL	27 GeV	1.6%
HERA TPOL*	27 GeV	2.9%
SLD at SLAC	45.6 GeV	0.5%
JLab Hall A	1-6 GeV	1-3%
JLab Hall C	1.1 GeV	0.6%
JLab Hall A	2 GeV	0.36%

Compton polarimetry has been used extensively in both fixed-target and collider environments – standard technique in storage rings since it is non-destructive

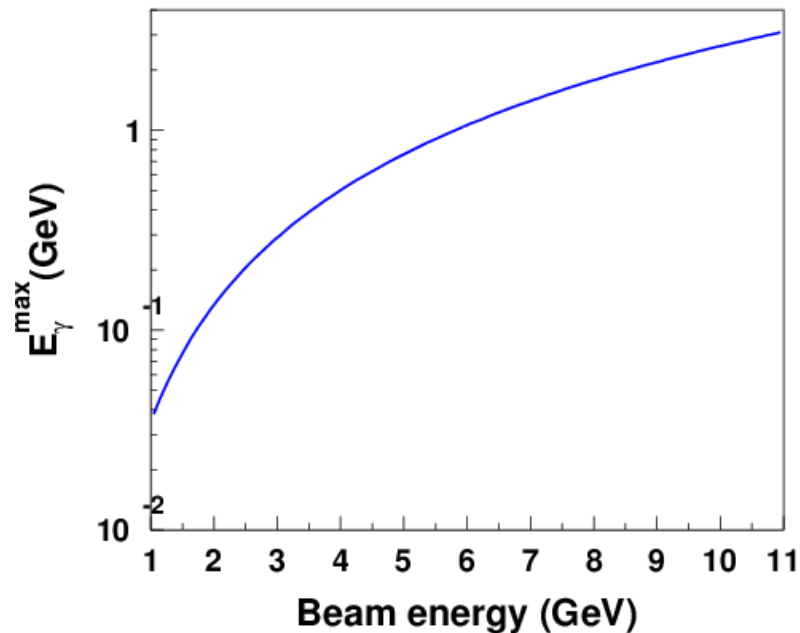
→ Highest precision has been achieved using electron detection, for longitudinally polarized electrons

# Compton Scattering - Kinematics

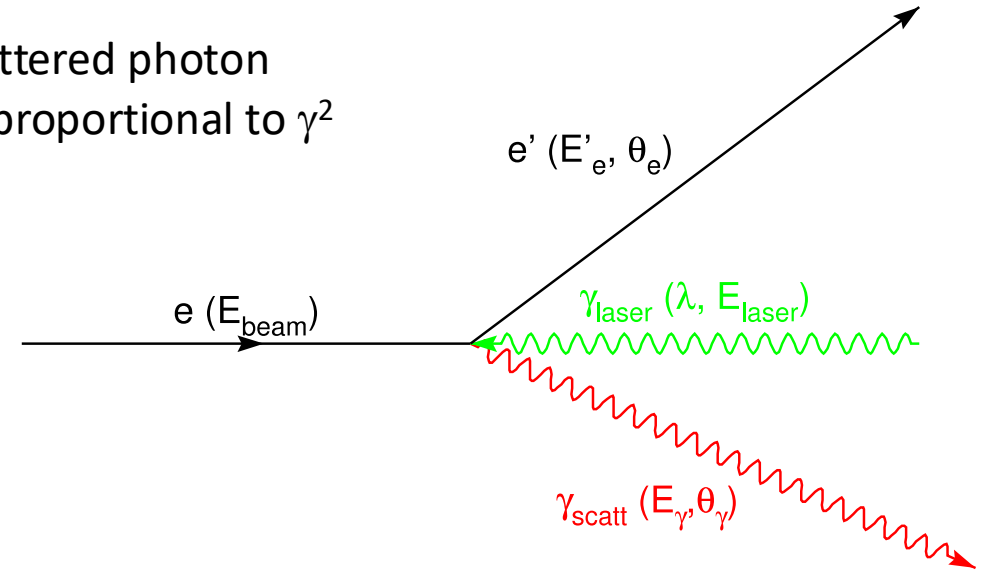
Laser beam colliding with electron beam nearly head-on

$$E_\gamma \approx E_{\text{laser}} \frac{4a\gamma^2}{1 + a\theta_\gamma^2\gamma^2}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{1 + 4\gamma E_{\text{laser}}/m_e}$$



Backscattered photon  
Energy proportional to  $\gamma^2$



Maximum backscattered photon energy at  $\theta=0$  degrees (180-degree scattering)

For green laser (532 nm):

$\rightarrow E_\gamma^{\text{max}} = 34.5 \text{ MeV}$  at  $E_{\text{beam}} = 1 \text{ GeV}$

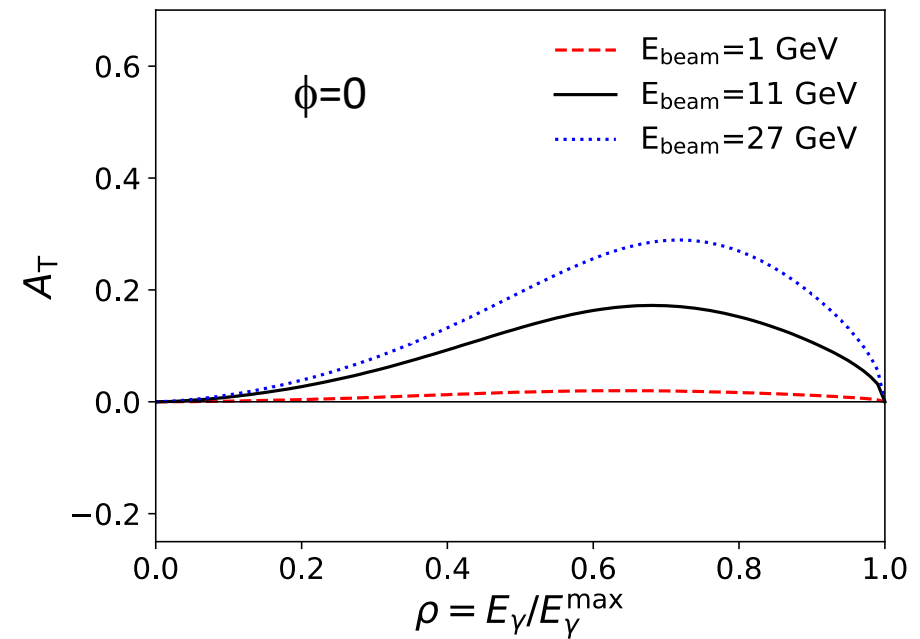
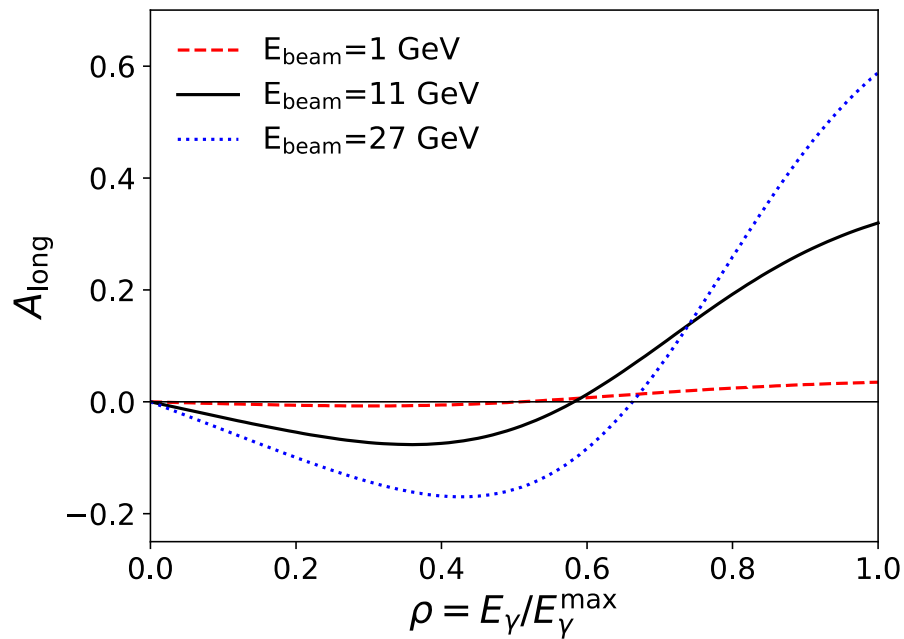
$\rightarrow E_\gamma^{\text{max}} = 3.1 \text{ GeV}$  at  $E_{\text{beam}} = 11 \text{ GeV}$

# Polarization Measurement via Compton Polarimetry

Compton polarimetry can be used to measure both longitudinal and transverse electron beam polarization

$$A_{\text{long}} = \frac{2\pi r_o^2 a}{(d\sigma/d\rho)} (1 - \rho(1 + a)) \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{(1 - \rho(1 - a))^2} \right]$$

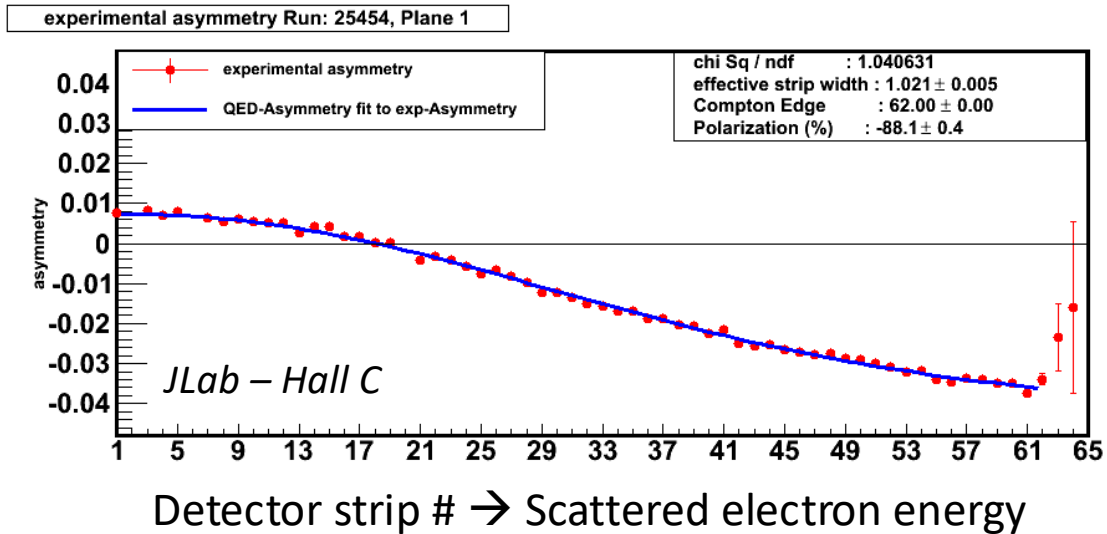
$$A_{\text{T}} = \frac{2\pi r_o^2 a}{(d\sigma/d\rho)} \cos \phi \left[ \rho(1 - a) \frac{\sqrt{4a\rho(1 - \rho)}}{(1 - \rho(1 - a))} \right]$$



# Polarization Measurement via Compton Polarimetry

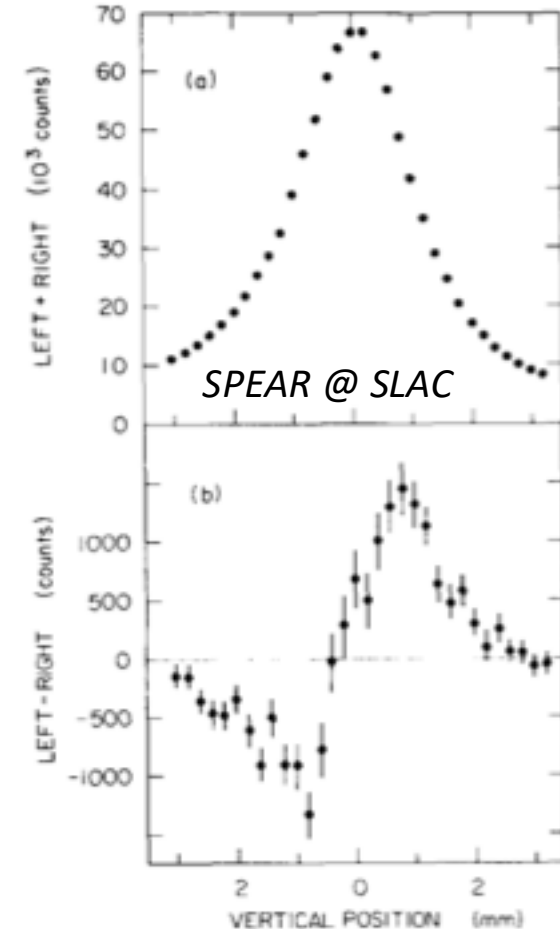
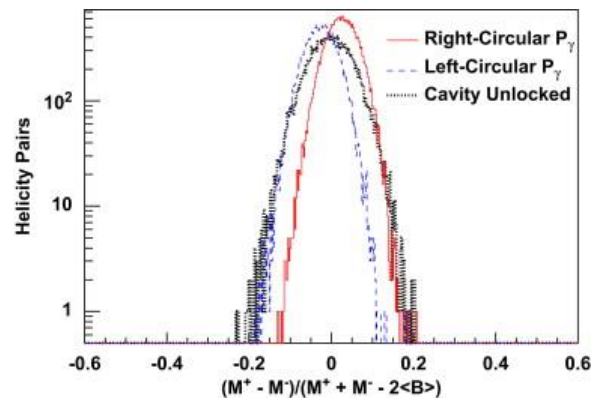
Longitudinal polarization measured via counting asymmetry vs. energy, or energy-integrated asymmetry

Transverse polarization typically measured via spatial dependence (up-down) of asymmetry



Photon-energy weighted asymmetry

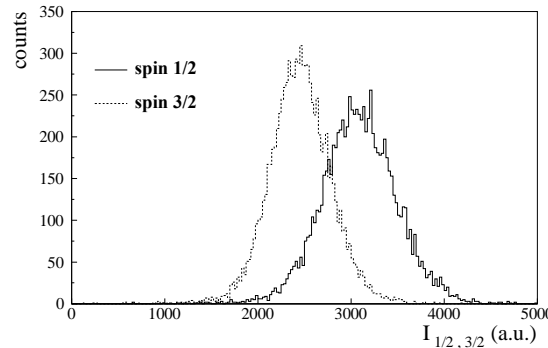
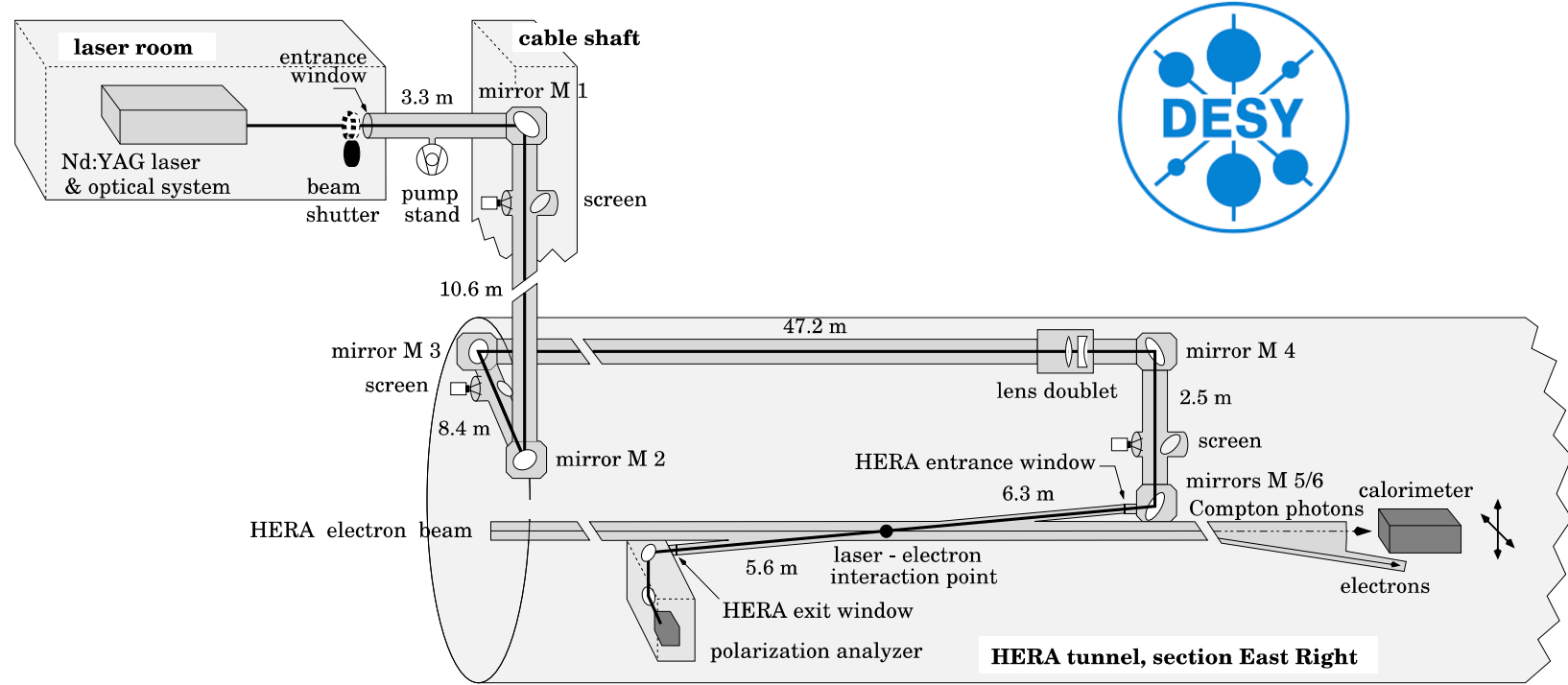
*JLab - Hall A*



# HERA Longitudinal Compton Polarimeter

HERA Longitudinal polarimeter installed in long straight section near HERMES experiments

- Laser system: single pass, pulsed laser synced to beam frequency
- Backscattered photons detected in sampling calorimeter
- Operated in “multi-photon” mode – up to thousand photons produced per laser pulse
- Polarization extracted using energy integrated asymmetry
- Total systematic uncertainty = 1.6%, dominated by detector response



$$\Sigma^{\pm} = \int \left( \frac{d\sigma}{dE_{\gamma}} \right)^{\pm} E_{\gamma} dE_{\gamma}$$

$$A = \frac{\Sigma^{+} - \Sigma^{-}}{\Sigma^{+} + \Sigma^{-}}$$

M. Beckmann et al, NIM A479 (2002) 334-348

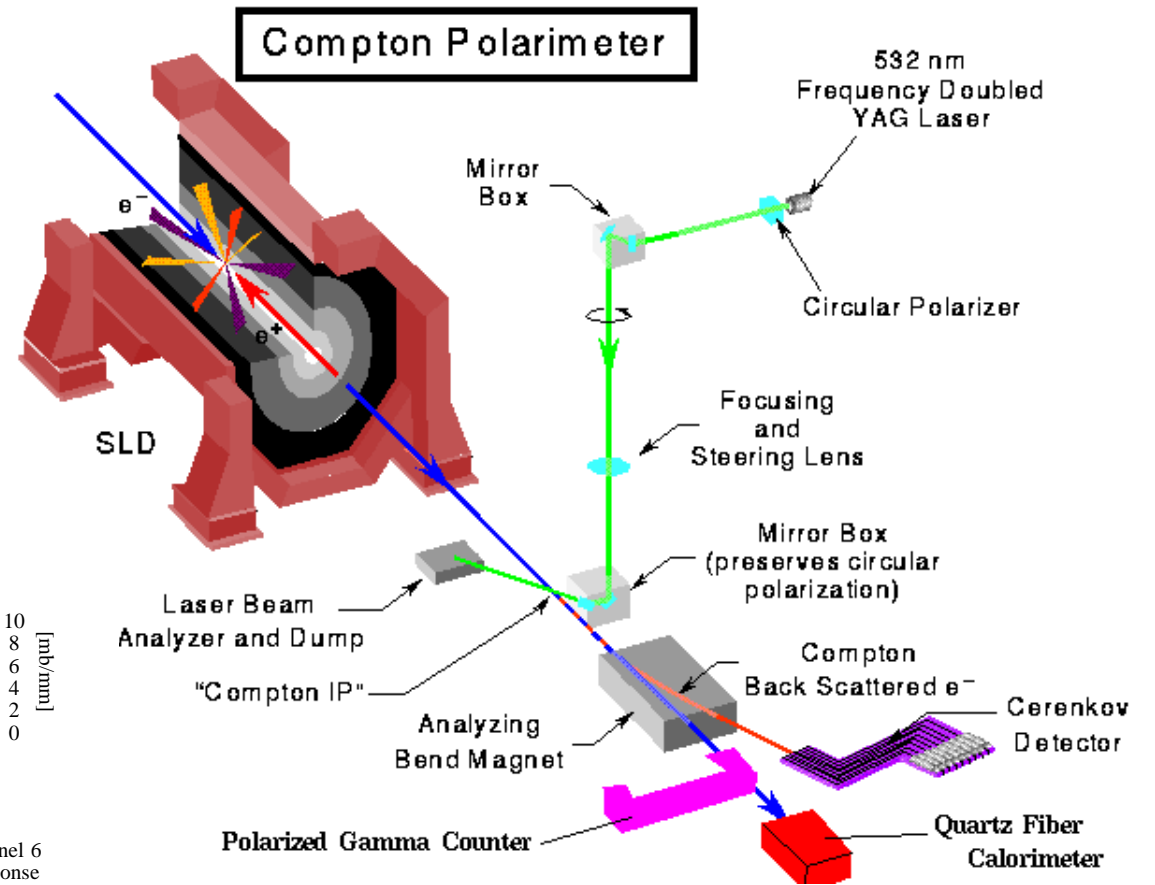
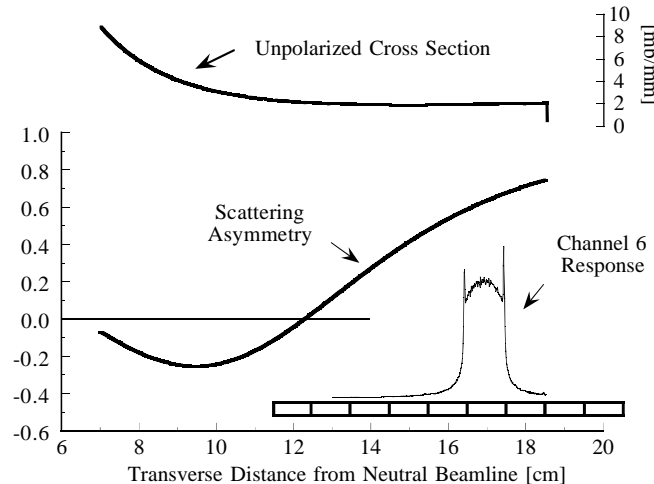
# SLAC SLD Compton Polarimeter

Highest precision achieved with Compton polarimetry  $\rightarrow dP/P = 0.5\%$

Operated at 45 GeV  $\rightarrow$  endpoint analyzing power was very large:  $\sim 75\%$

Used single-pass, pulsed laser – excellent control of laser polarization at interaction point

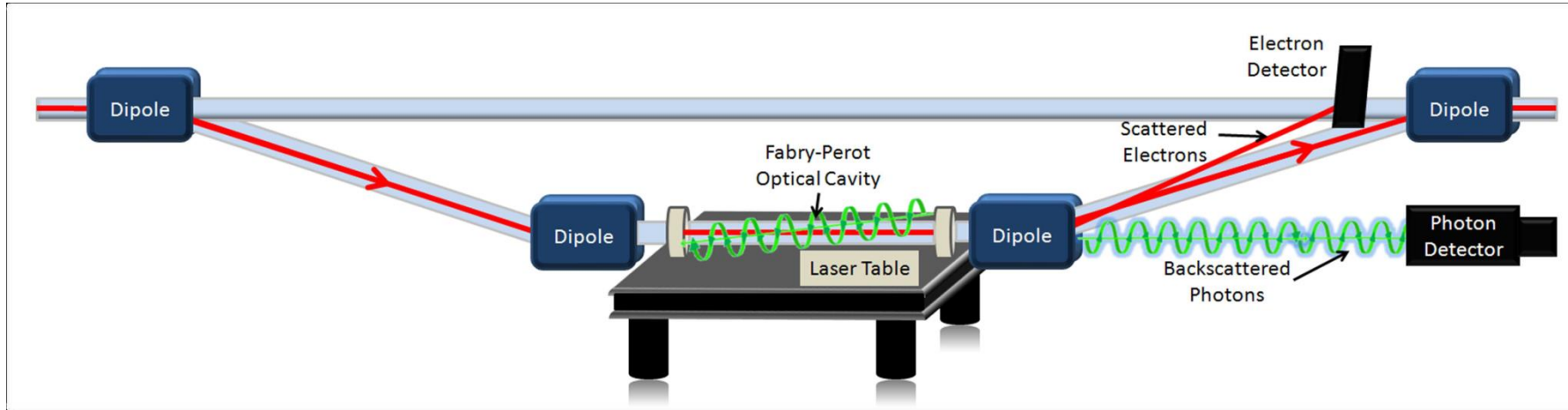
Multichannel gas Cherenkov detector  $\rightarrow$  electrons  $\sim 10$  cm from nominal beam path



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# Compton Polarimeters in Halls A and C at Jefferson Lab



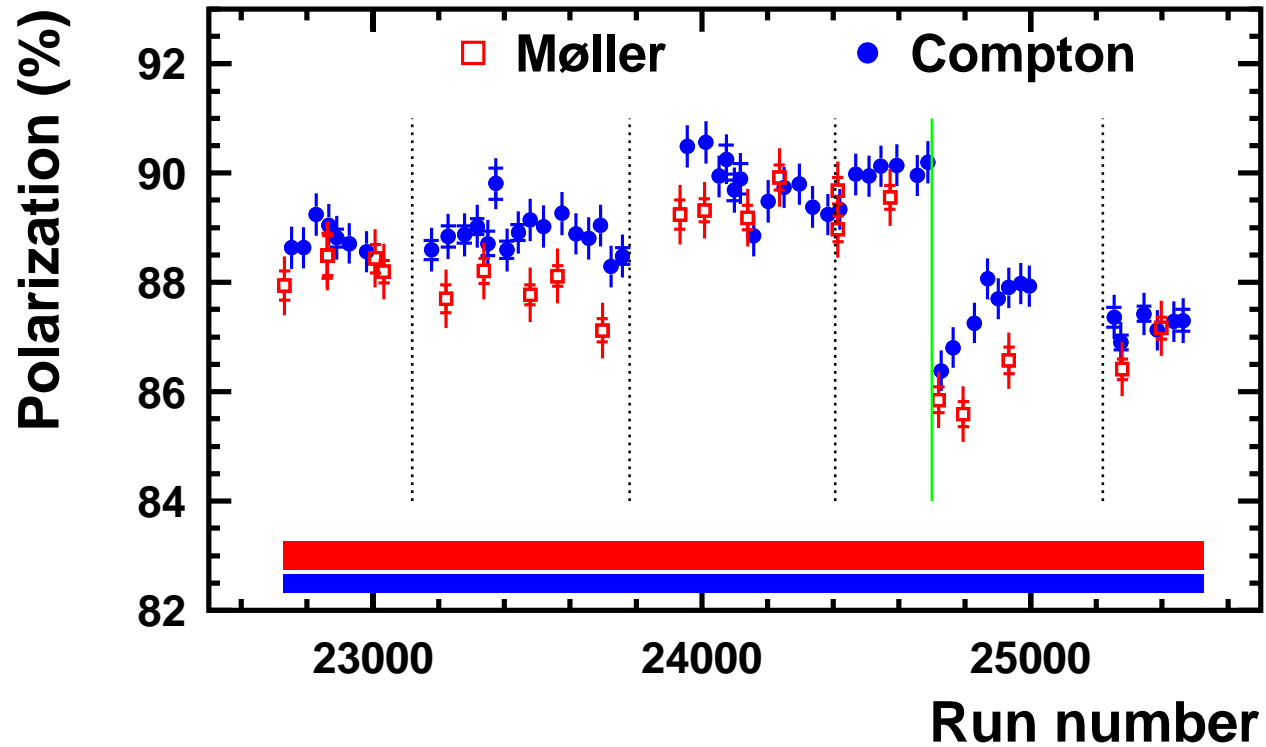
Compton polarimeters in Hall A and C:

1. 4 dipole chicane to deflect beam to laser system
2. Fabry-Perot cavity to provide kW level CW laser power
3. Diamond/silicon strip detectors for scattered electrons
4. Photon detectors operated in integrating mode

→ Hall C has achieved  $dP/P=0.6\%$  (electron detector)

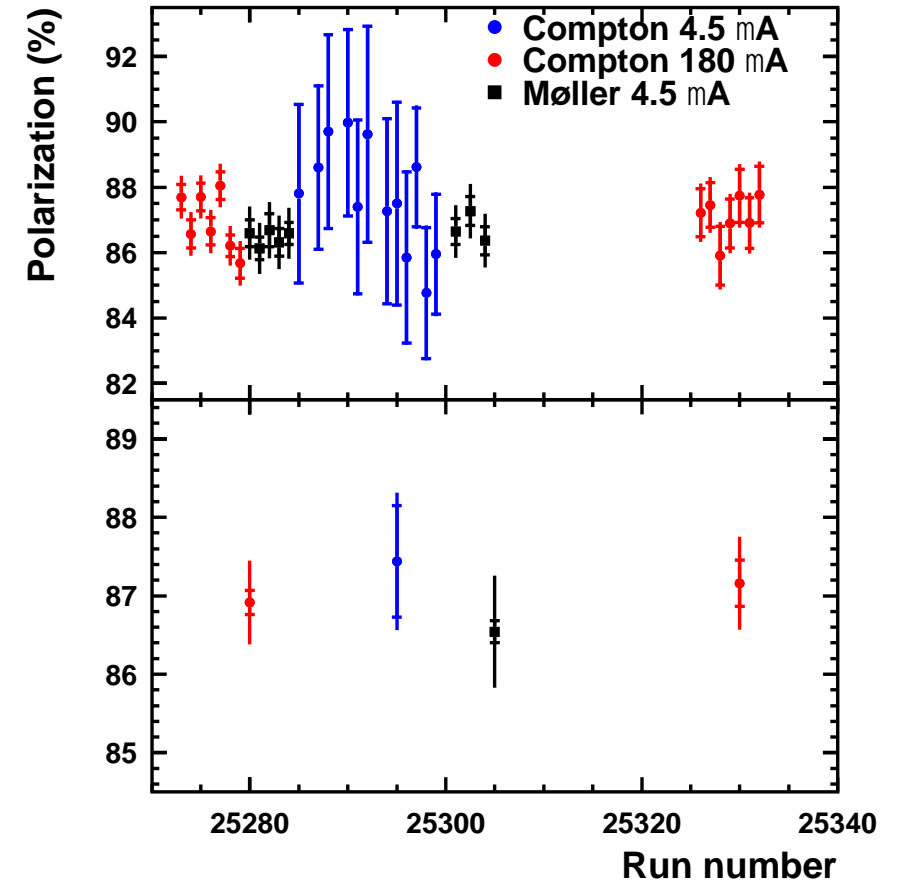
→ Hall A has achieved  $dP/P=0.36\%$  (photon detection)

# Polarimeter Comparisons: Hall C Møller and Compton



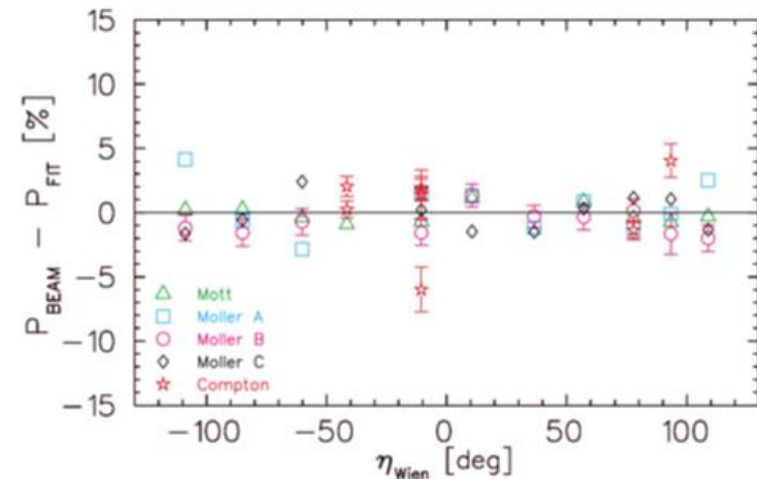
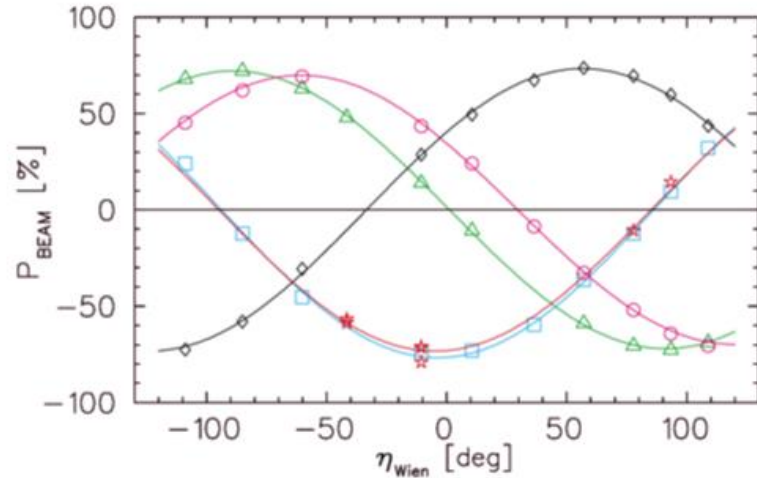
Compton measurements at 180  $\mu\text{A}$  concurrent with experiment

Møller measurements taken intermittently, at 1  $\mu\text{A}$



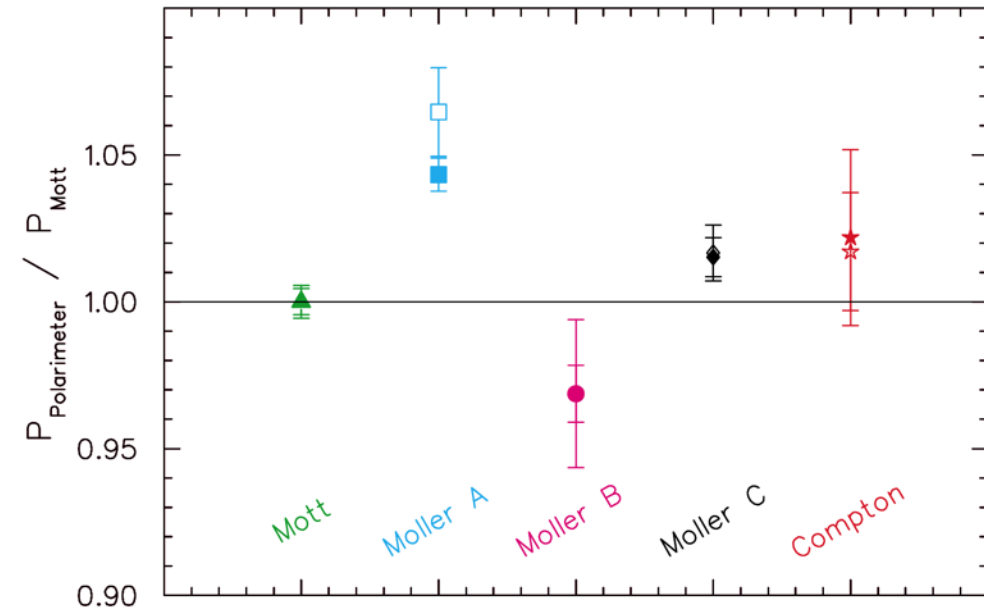
Dedicated test with both Møller and Compton at 4.5  $\mu\text{A}$

# Jefferson Lab Polarimeter Comparisons: Spin Dance

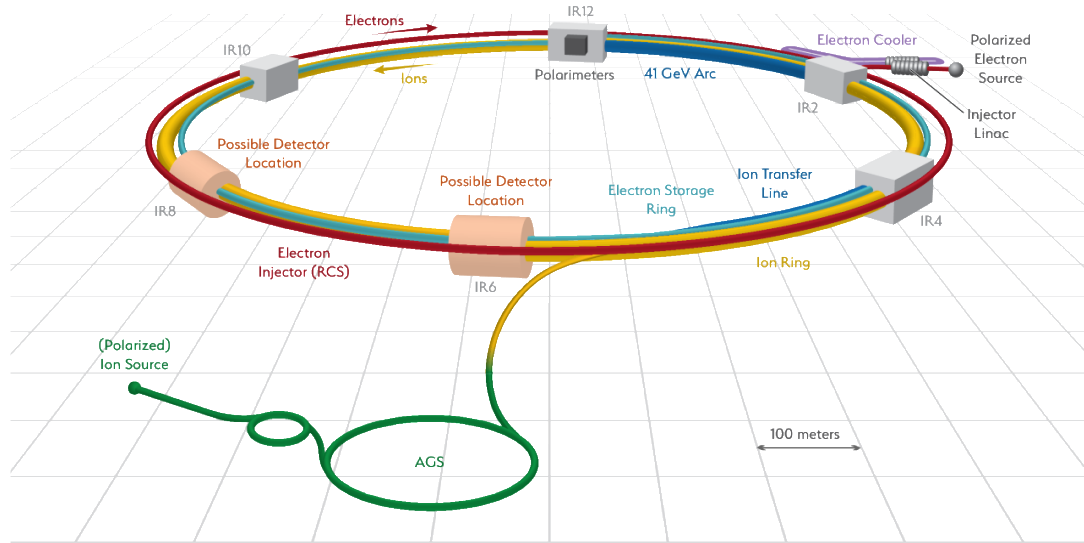


Compared electron polarimeters in Halls A, B, C by taking measurements at several Wien angles – compare maximum polarization

- Discovered unexpected systematic in Hall A Møller
- Updated multi-hall Spin Dance would be beneficial since polarimeters have improved since original results from 2004



# Development of a Compton Polarimeter for EIC



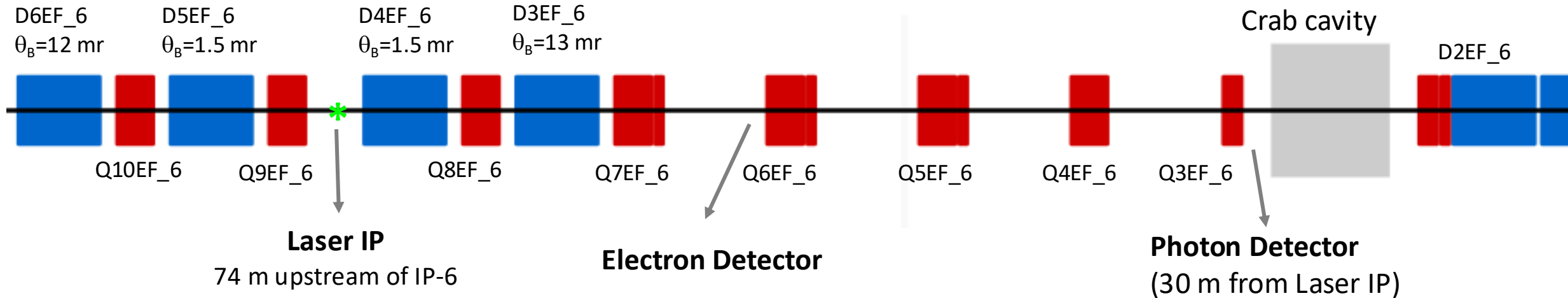
EIC Electron Beam Properties

Energy (GeV)	Current (A)	Polarization (%)	Frequency (MHz)
5	2.5	70	99
10	2.5	70	99
18	0.26	70	25

- Electron-ion collider in U.S. → Highly polarized electron and proton/light ion beams and high luminosities
- Physics measurements will have high statistical precision. Excellent control of systematic uncertainties needed to fully leverage potential of the EIC
- Precise polarimetry (both electron and hadron) will be important

Primary electron polarimetry technique will be Compton → lessons learned from earlier polarimeters will shape design of EIC Compton

# Compton Polarimetry at EIC



## Polarization components at Laser IP

Beam energy	$P_L$	$P_T$
5 GeV	99.1%	13.2%
10 GeV	96.5%	26.2%
18 GeV	89.0%	45.6%

## Polarimeter Components:

1. RF-pulsed laser system (under development)
  2. Position sensitive detectors (diamond strips) for scattered electrons and backscattered photons
  3. Calorimeter for backscattered photons
- Will operate in single-photon mode

**High precision measurement of  $P_L$  and  $P_T$  required!**

# Summary

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- Several useful techniques for absolute electron polarimetry
  - Mott polarimetry used primarily at/near electron beam injector
  - Møller polarimetry used in fixed-target facilities but could possibly be employed in colliders/rings – R&D would be required
  - Compton polarimetry most commonly employed in colliders, but increasingly useful at relatively low intensity fixed target facilities
- High precision has been achieved with all three techniques discussed here
  - In general, highest precision has been achieved for measuring longitudinal polarization
- Comparison between multiple devices with different systematic errors provides confidence in measurements and improved precision
- EIC will require precise measurements of both electron and hadron polarization
  - Compton polarimeter design for EIC draws on experience from earlier devices
  - EIC Compton polarimeter will need to be able to measure longitudinal and transverse electron polarization simultaneously



# MAINZ MeV Mott

Mott polarimeter in MAMI accelerator at Mainz installed after injector linac

Scattering angle = 164 degrees

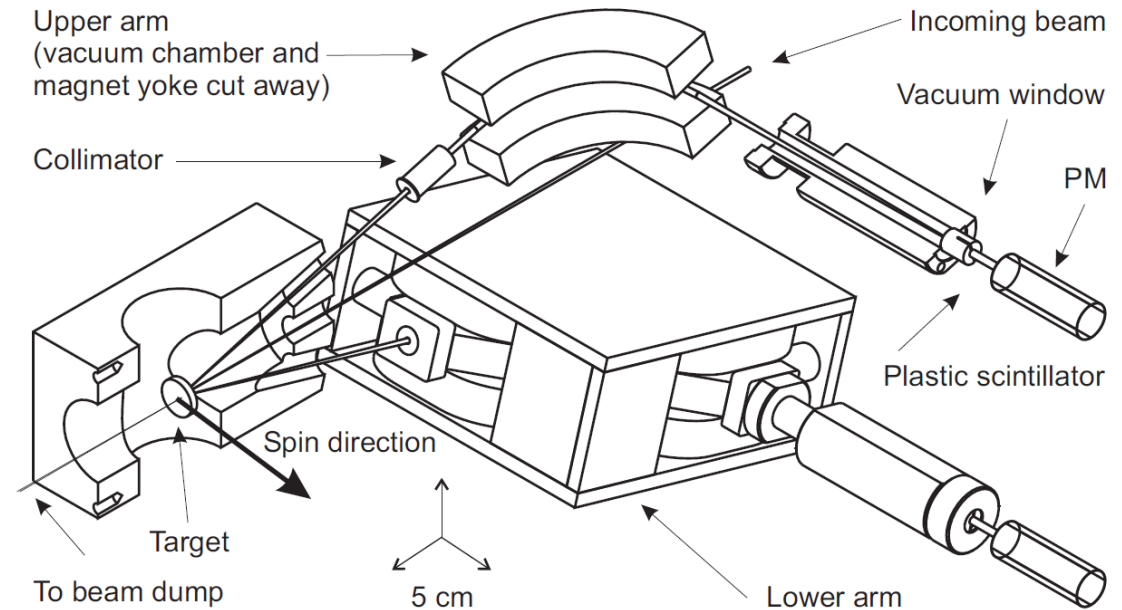
→ Sherman function peaks at 2 MeV

Background from dump suppressed by using deflection magnets to steer scattered electrons to detectors – no direct line of sight to beam dump

Dominant systematics from Sherman function, zero-thickness extrapolation, background

→ GEANT simulations suggest backgrounds ~ 1%

Systematic uncertainty better than 1% achievable with some additional effort





# Møller Polarimetry with Jet Targets

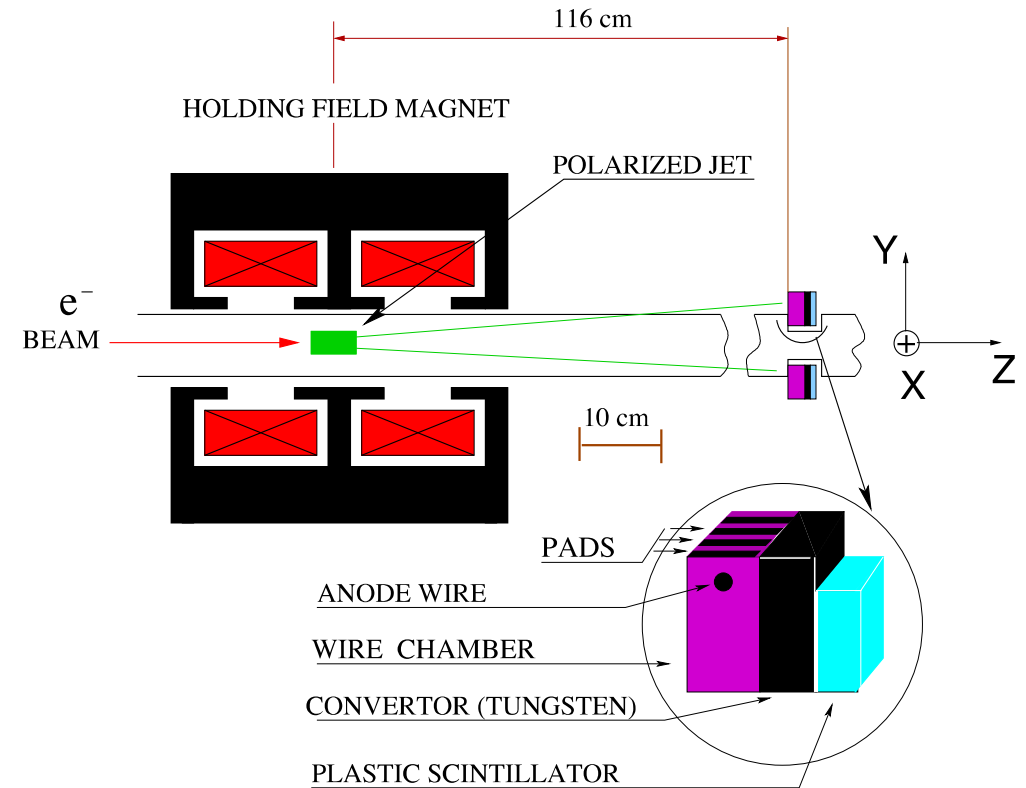
Møller not typically used in storage rings since commonly used targets are destructive to the beam → iron and iron-alloy foils

→ Jet target would be non-destructive – some measurements with jet targets have been done at VEPP-3

What precision on target polarization can be achieved with jet targets?

→ RHIC H-JET target polarization known to better than 1%

Some R&D would be required, but precision Møller polarimetry in storage rings may be feasible



*A. Grigoriev et al, Proceedings of EPAC 2004*

# Polarization Measurement Times

Luminosity for Compton scattering at non-zero crossing angle:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{(1 + \cos \alpha_c)}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{I_e P_L \lambda}{e hc^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma_e^2 + \sigma_\gamma^2}} \frac{1}{\sin \alpha_c}$$

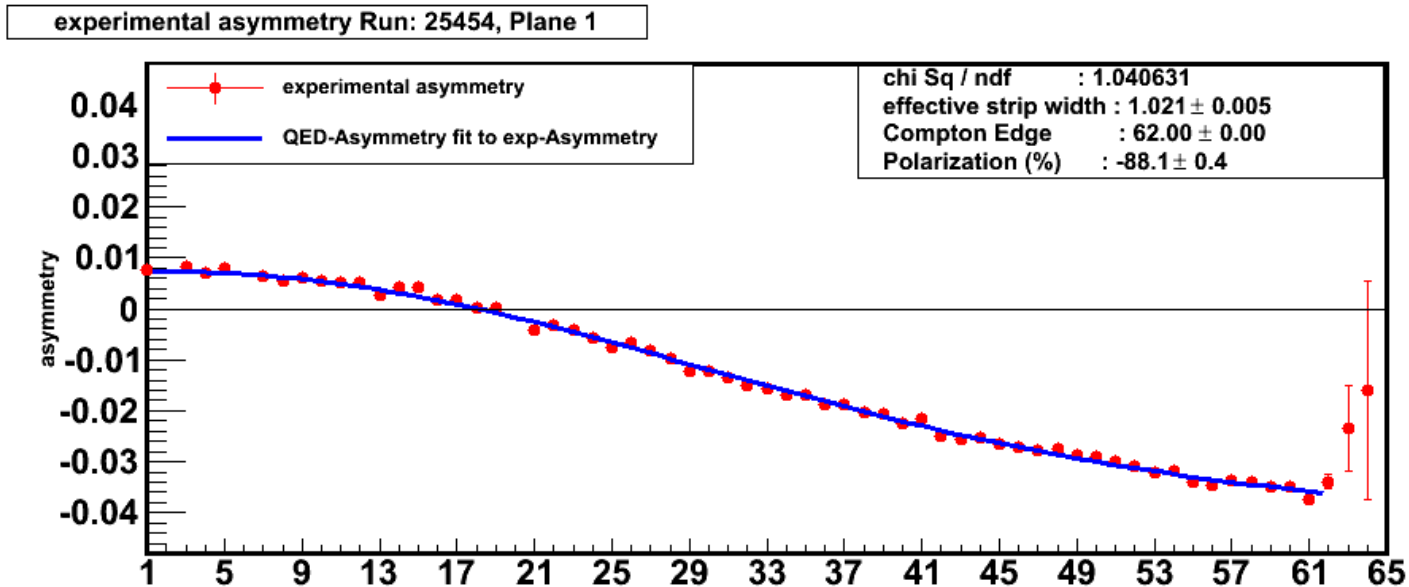
Beam size at interaction point with laser dictates luminosity (for given beam current and laser/electron beam crossing angle)

Time for measurement of precision  $\Delta P/P$ :

$$t^{-1} \approx \mathcal{L} \sigma \left( \frac{\Delta P}{P} \right)^2 P_e^2 \langle A^2 \rangle$$

- Time required for measurement can vary significantly with beam energy due to changing asymmetry
- Lower energies/beam currents can require novel laser solutions

# Electron Detector Polarization Extraction



An “integrating” technique can be employed by fitting asymmetry zero-crossing

→ Worked well for earlier Hall A experiments yielding 1% level results

→ Drawback: extremely sensitive to strip/detector efficiency

Hall C Compton employed a 2-parameter fit (polarization and Compton edge) to the differential spectrum

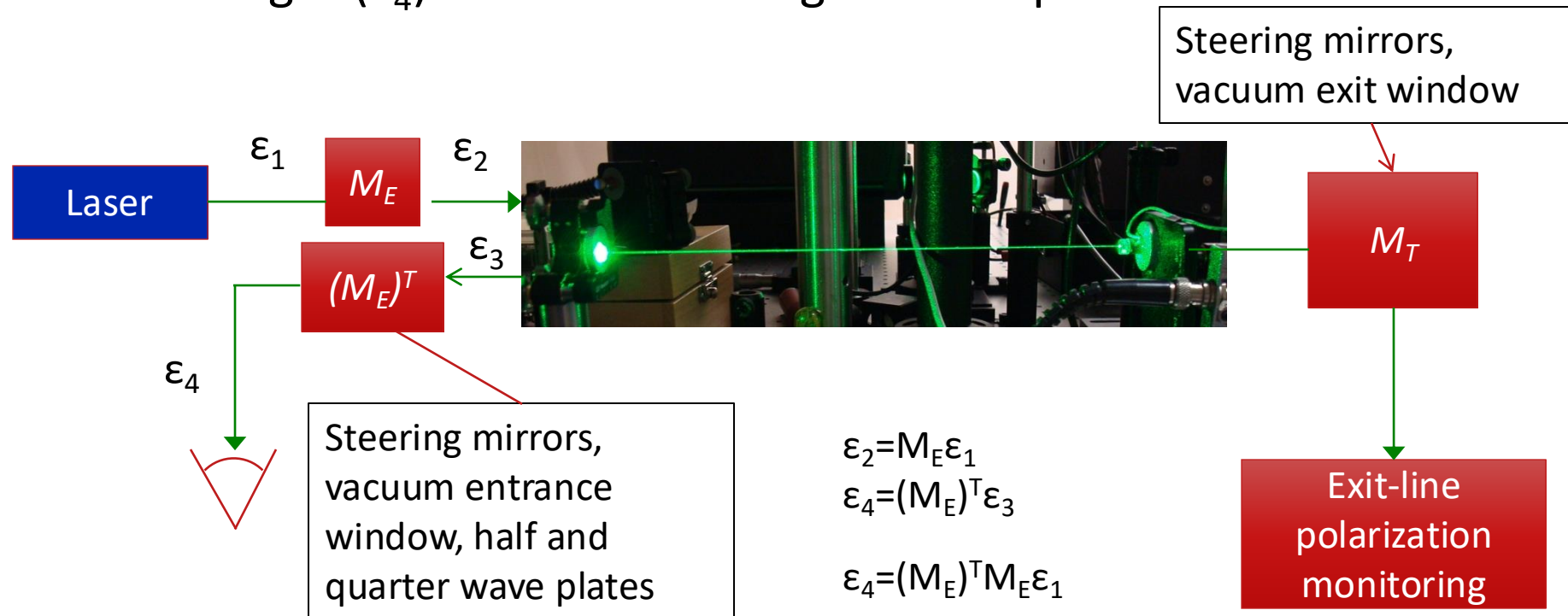
→ This has yielded good results → strip width (resolution) is important

→ Zero-crossing must be in acceptance to constrain the fit well

→ Systematic uncertainty  $dP/P = 0.6\%$

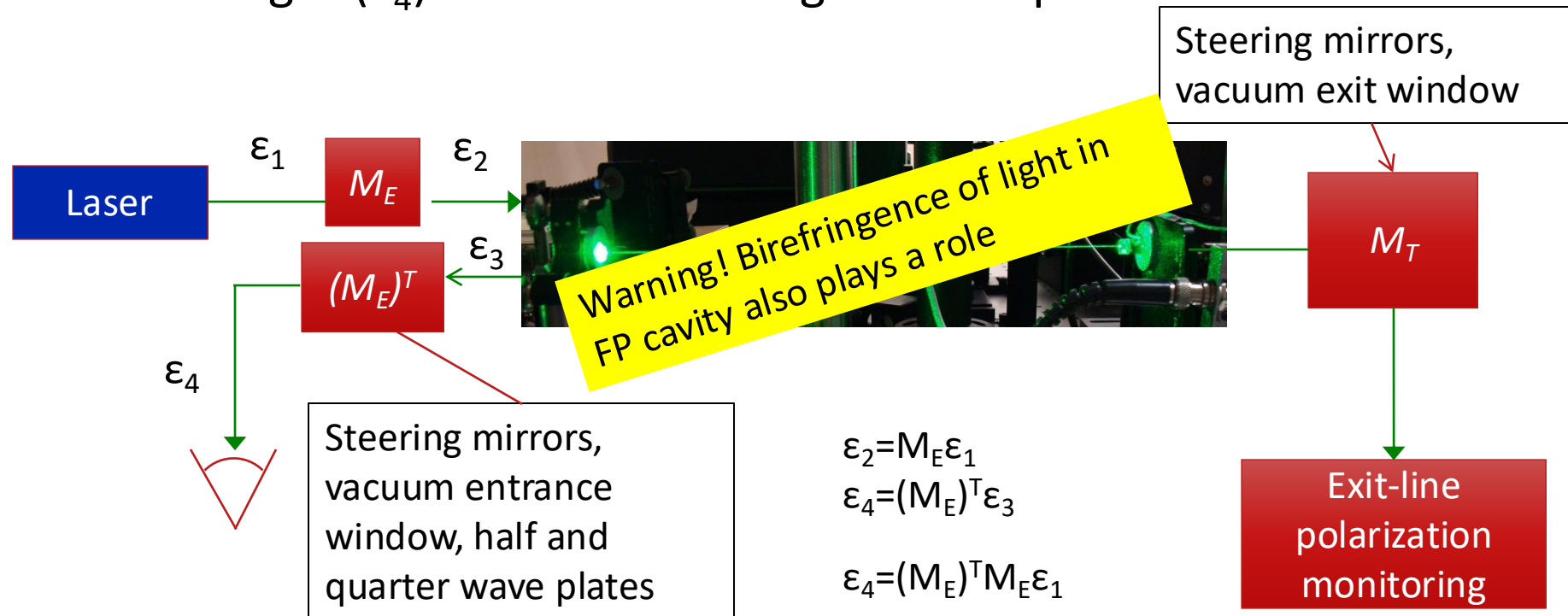
# Laser Polarization

- Propagation of light into the Fabry-Pérot cavity can be described by matrix,  $M_E$
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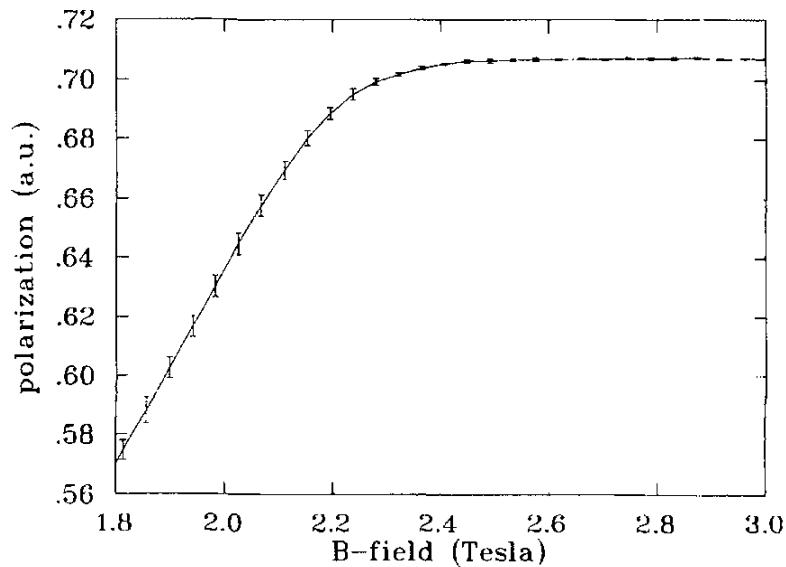
# Saturated Iron Foil Target

Polarization of target not directly measured when using iron foil driven to magnetic saturation

→ Rely on knowledge of magnetic properties of iron

→ One can test that foil is in magnetic saturation using magneto-optical Kerr effect (polarization properties of light change in magnetic medium)

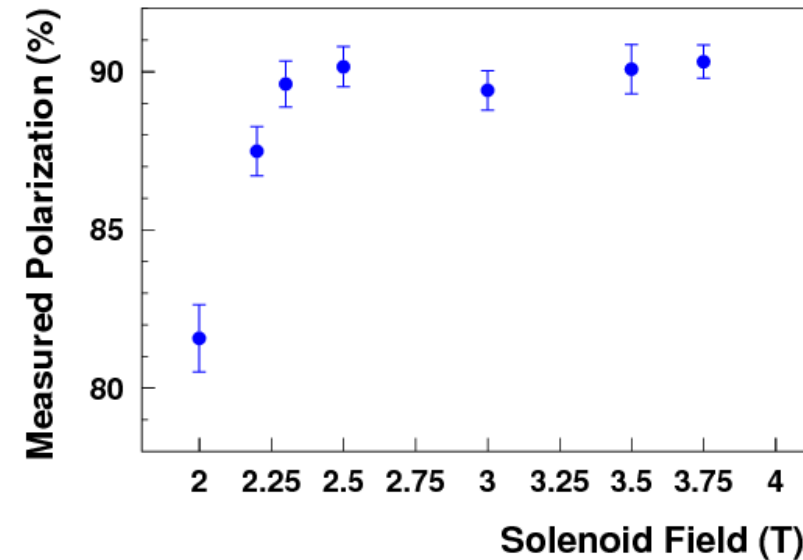
Can also test dependence on foil angle (misalignment) and heating



Kerr effect measurement of foil saturation

Example: Measure degree of saturation vs. applied magnetic field

→ This can also be tested with polarimeter directly



JLab measurements of asymmetry vs. applied field

# Polarization at Cavity Entrance via Reflected Power

“If input polarization ( $\epsilon_1$ ) linear, polarization at cavity ( $\epsilon_2$ ) circular only if polarization of reflected light ( $\epsilon_4$ ) linear and orthogonal to input”

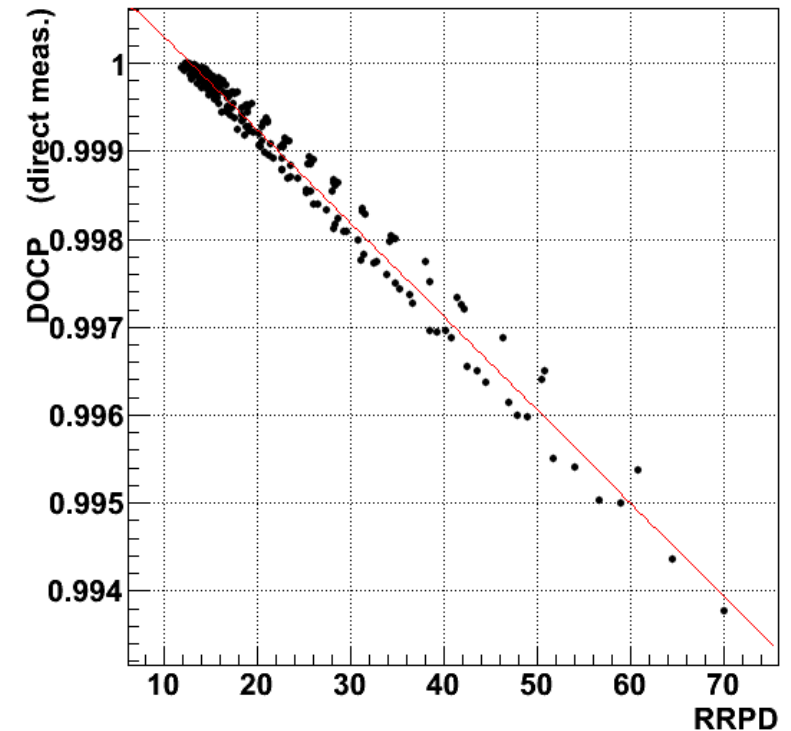
→ In the context of the Hall A Compton, this means that the circular polarization at cavity is maximized when retro-reflected light is minimized

→ Optical reversibility allows configuring system to give 100% DOCP at cavity entrance, even when the system is under vacuum, just by minimizing signal in one detector

→ In addition, response of whole system can be modeled by sampling all possible initial state polarizations

Technique applicable to any Compton polarimeter  
→ eliminates uncertainties due to birefringence in vacuum windows (very difficult to control)

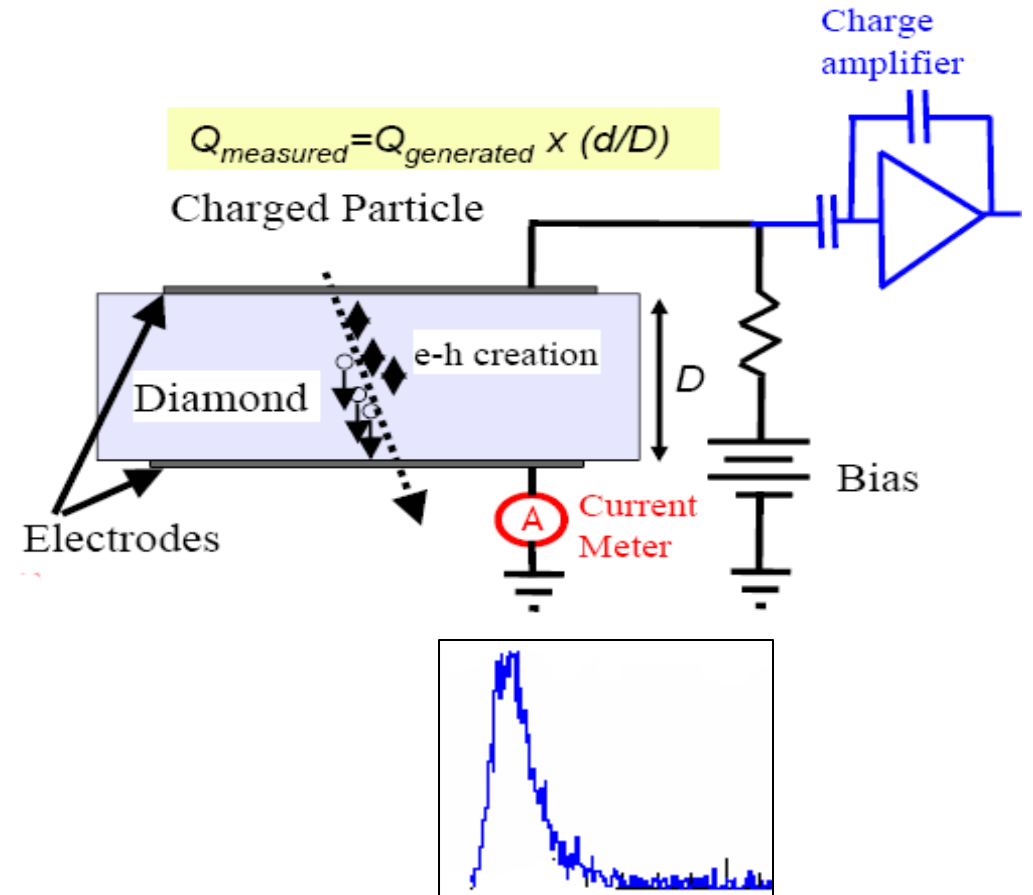
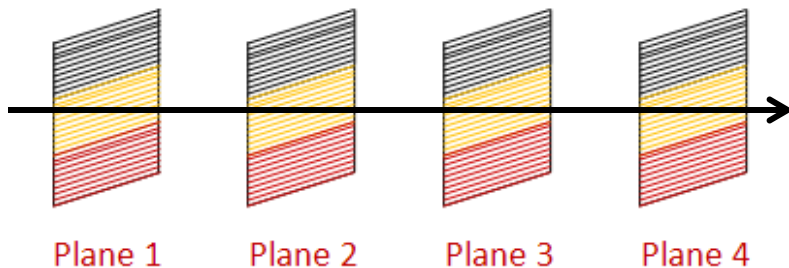
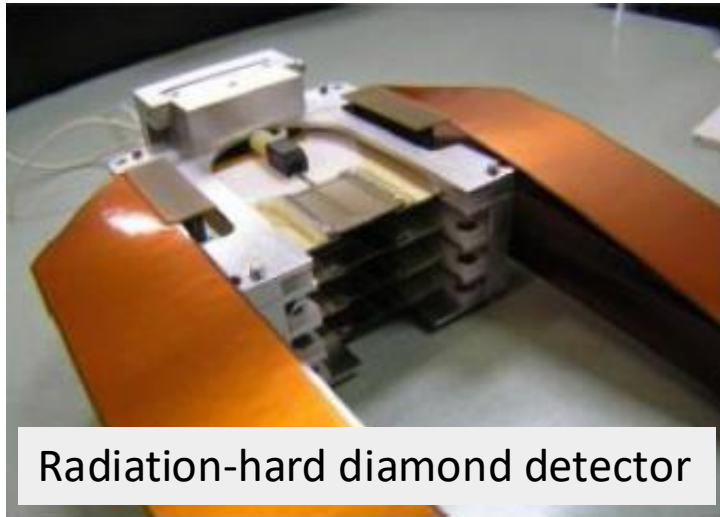
DOCP vs reflected power



# Hall C Compton Diamond Electron Detector

Diamond microstrips used to detect scattered electrons

- Radiation hard: exposed to 10 MRad without significant signal degradation
- Four 21mm x 21mm planes each with 96 horizontal 200 μm wide microstrips.
- Rough-tracking based/coincidence trigger suppresses backgrounds

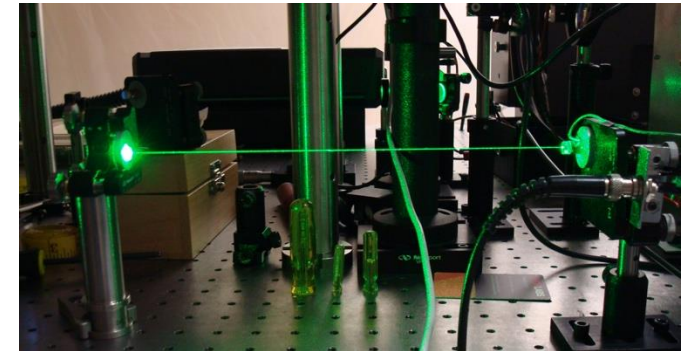
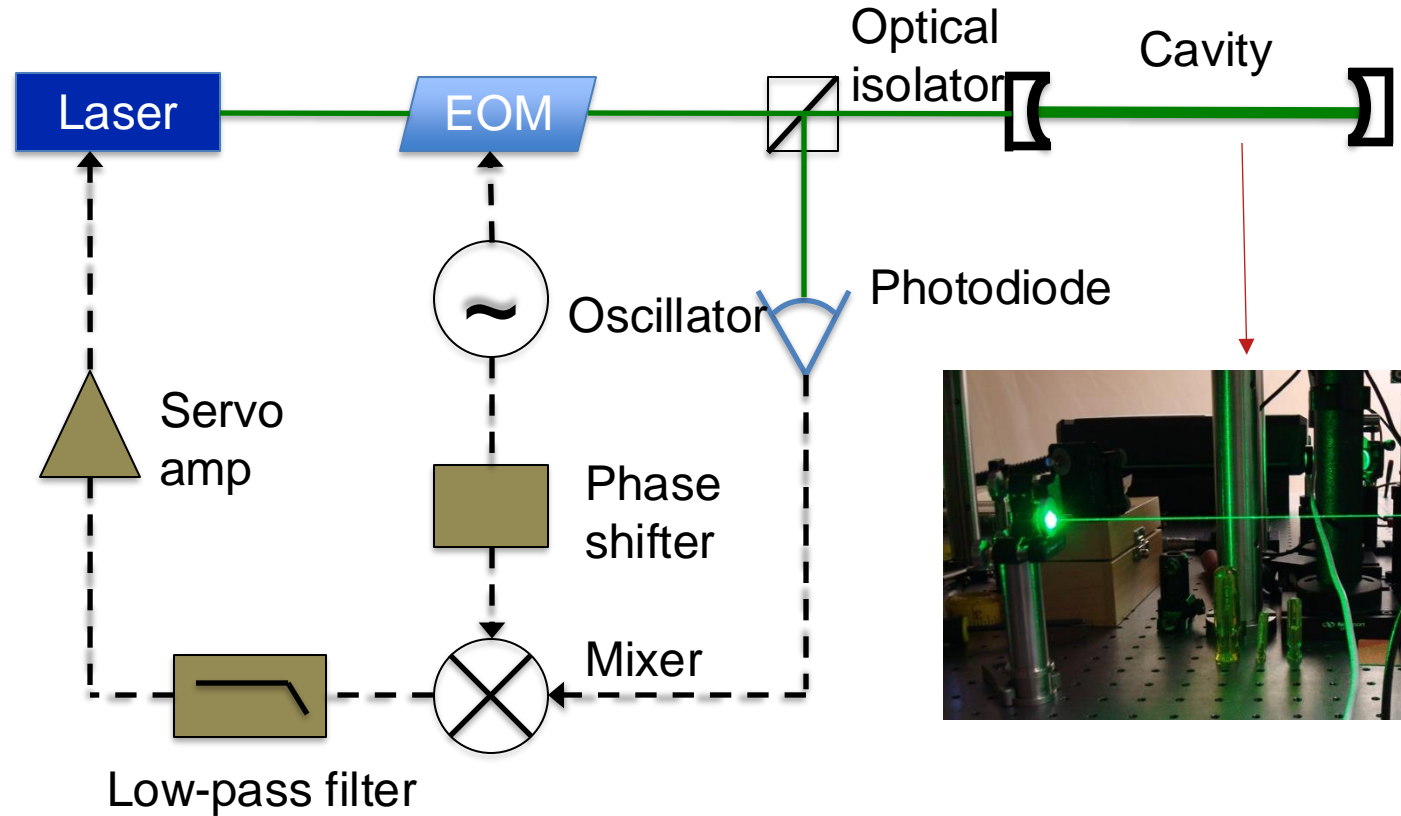
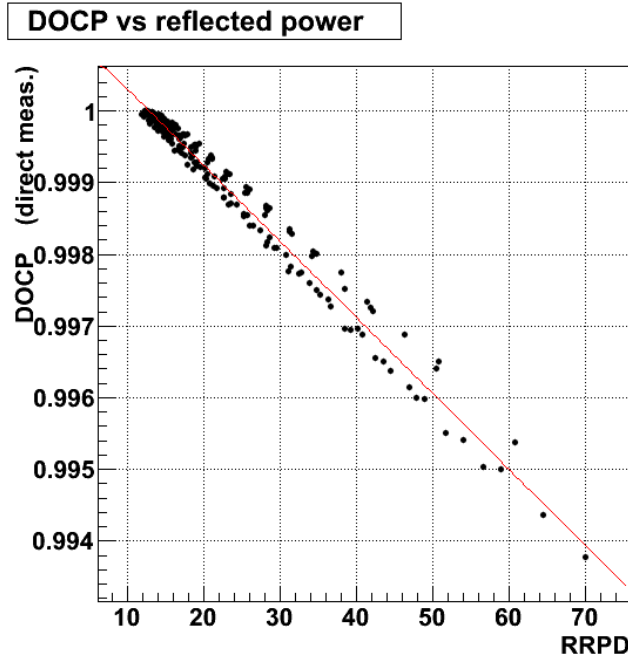




# Fabry-Perot Cavity Laser System

Due to relatively low intensity of JLab electron beam, need higher laser power

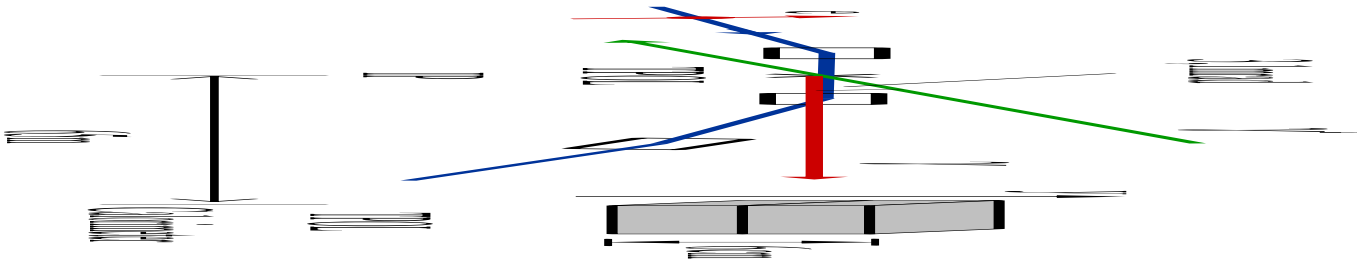
→ Use external Fabry-Perot cavity to amplify 1-10 W laser to 1-5 kW of stored laser power



Key systematic: Laser polarization in Fabry-Perot cavity  
→ Constrain by monitoring light reflected back from cavity and measurement of cavity birefringence

# HERA Transverse Compton Polarimeter

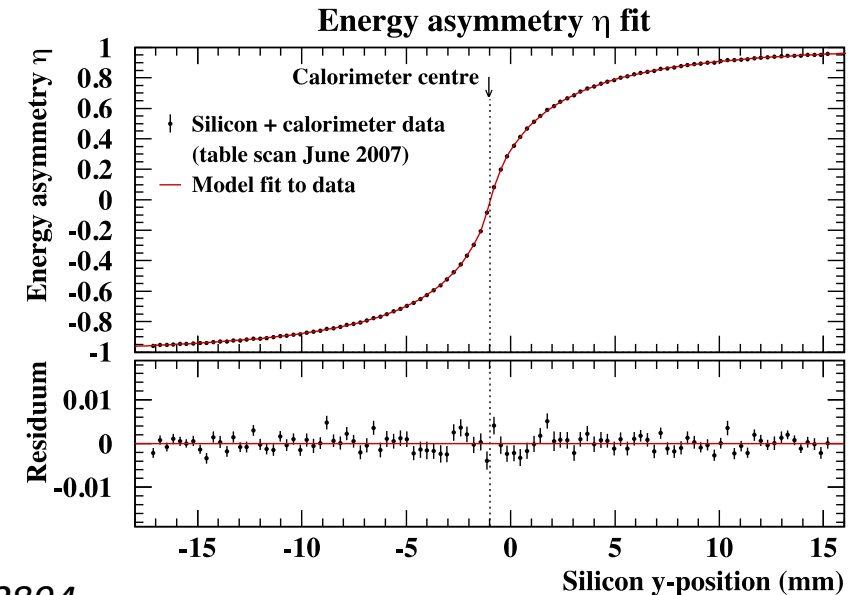
- Transverse Compton at [HERA](#) was used to provide absolute polarization measurements with 2-3% precision
- Transverse Compton polarimeters have been relatively common, but not typically used as absolute devices
  - Key difference from longitudinal case is need to measure spatial dependence of asymmetry



- Used a sampling calorimeter with top and bottom optically isolated:
- Polarization measured via up-down energy asymmetry

$$\eta = \frac{E_U - E_D}{E_U + E_D}$$

- Key systematic uncertainty is understanding the  $\eta(y)$  transformation function
- Strip detectors provide can be used to help calibrate the detector response



*B. Sobloher et al, DESY-11-259, arXiv:1201.2894*