

Proton Form Factor Measurement Using Recoil Polarization Method

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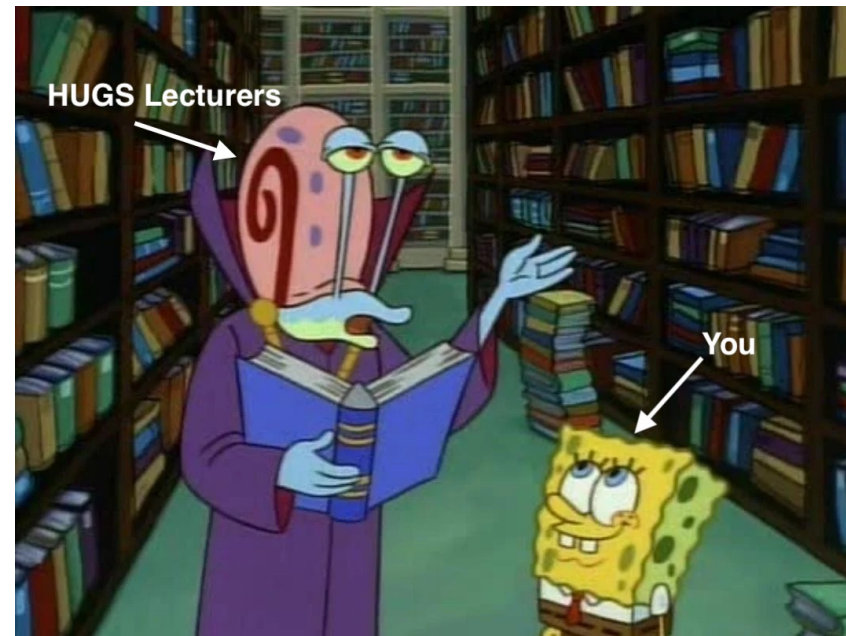


- Discussion of the proton electromagnetic form factor
 - Refresher from previous lectures
- The experiment
 - How will we make this measurement?
- The detectors
 - How do the polarimeter and tracking detectors work?





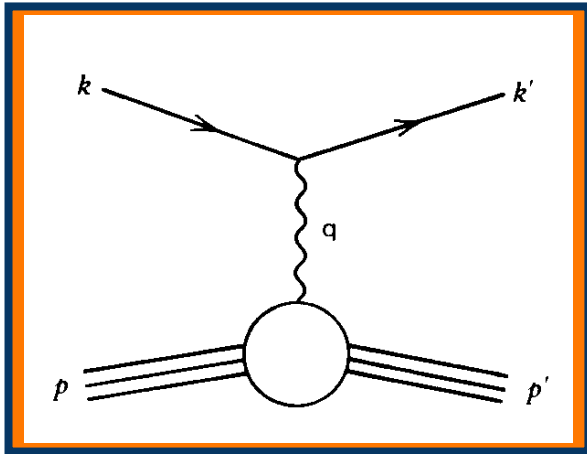
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Nucleon Elastic Form Factors

- Form Factors describe internal structure of the nucleon
 - Elastic \Rightarrow Ground state structure
 - Charge and magnetization distributions \Rightarrow Nucleon Transition Current



$$J^\mu = \bar{u}(p') [F_1(Q^2) \gamma^\mu + (\kappa/2M) F_2(Q^2) i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu] u(p)$$

- Use Sach's form factors:
 - Fourier transforms of the electric and magnetic moments distributions in the Breit frame

$$G_E(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) - \tau F_2(Q^2)$$

$$G_M(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) + F_2(Q^2)$$

- Scalar functions of Q^2 which parameterize the unknown nucleon structure



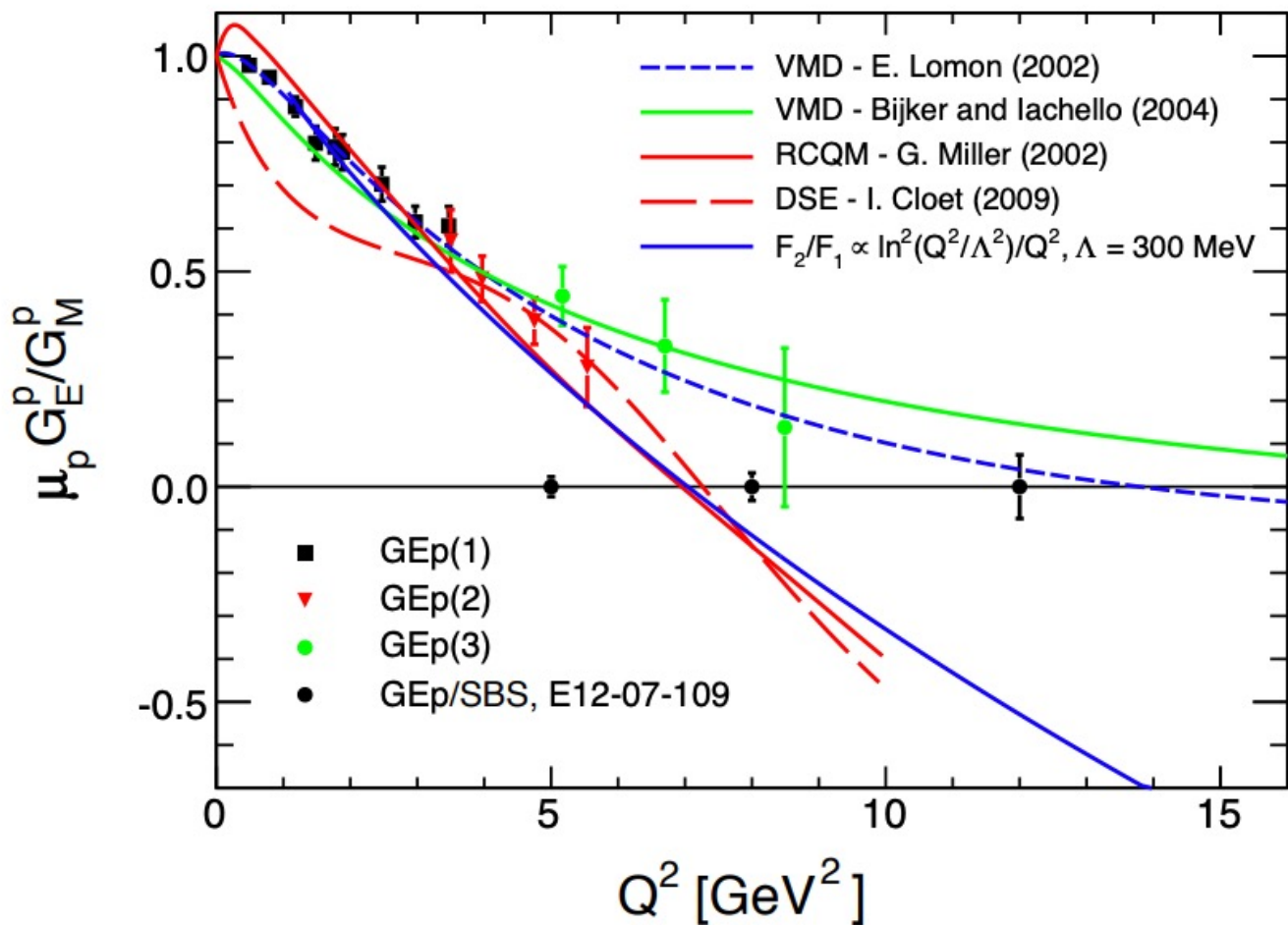
Brief Theoretical Background

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(E, \theta) = \frac{\alpha^2 E' \cos^2(\frac{\theta}{2})}{4E^3 \sin^4(\frac{\theta}{2})} [(F_1^2 + \kappa^2 \tau F_2^2) + 2\tau(F_1 + \kappa F_2)^2 \tan^2(\frac{\theta}{2})]$$



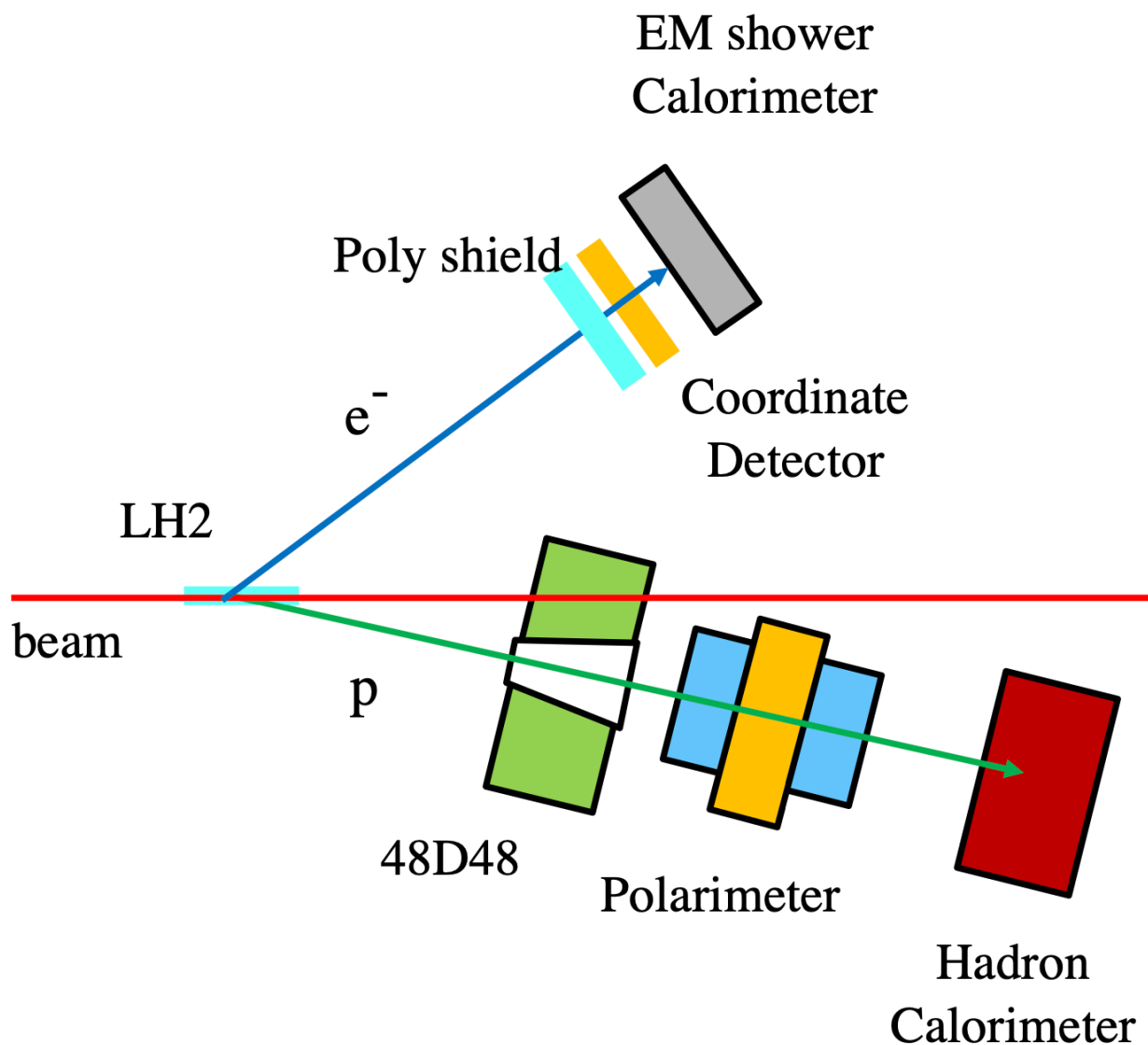
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(E, \theta) = \sigma_M \left[\frac{G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2 \tan^2(\frac{\theta}{2}) \right]$$

- Theory originally predicted $\frac{G_E}{G_M} = 1$
 - Instead dies off rapidly at high Q^2
- Models since differ greatly at high Q^2
 - Two-photon exchange likely culprit!
 - Cross sections don't account for this



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The Experiment: E12-07-109 (GEp-V)



- The Bigbite Spectrometer
 - Poly shield
 - Scintillators
 - Calorimeter
- The Super Bigbite Spectrometer
 - Large dipole magnet
 - Polarimeter
 - GEM tracking layers
 - CH₂ polarimeter analyzer
 - GEM tracking layers
 - Hadron Calorimeter
- Both sides are on a track and can be rotated to different angles

$$\frac{G_E^P}{G_M^P} = -\frac{P_t}{P_l} \sqrt{\frac{\tau(1 + \epsilon)}{2\epsilon}}$$

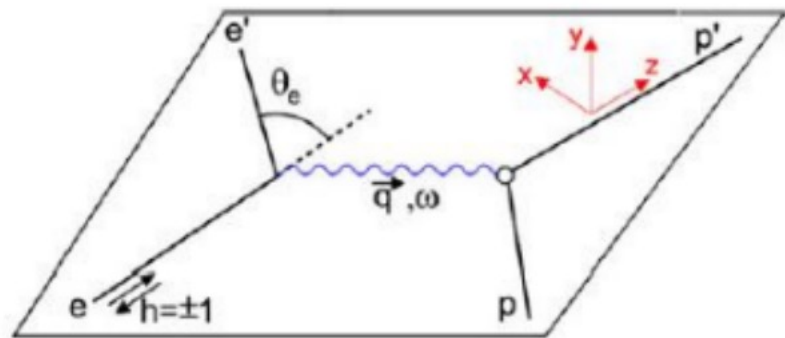


Experimental Measurement

$$A = \frac{f^+ - f^-}{f^+ + f^-} = A_y \left(P_x^{fpp} \sin \varphi - P_y^{fpp} \cos \varphi \right)$$

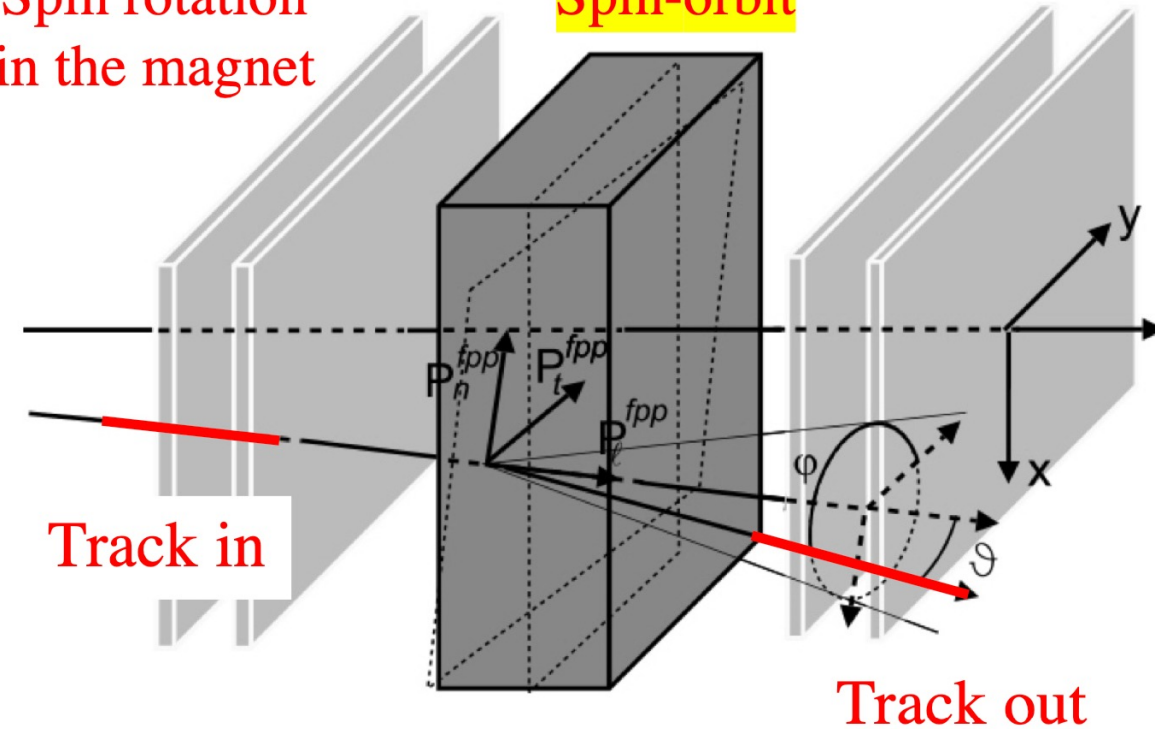
$$\mu_p \frac{G_E^p}{G_M^p} = -\mu_p \frac{E_e + E'_e}{2M_p} \tan \frac{\theta_e}{2} \left(\frac{P_x^{fpp}}{P_y^{fpp}} \sin \chi_\theta + \gamma_p (\mu_p - 1) \Delta \phi \right)$$

- Experimentally we relate FF ratio to polarization ratio
- $P_x/P_t \Rightarrow$ Polarization transverse to momentum
- $P_y/P_l \Rightarrow$ Polarization longitudinal to momentum



Spin rotation
in the magnet

Spin-orbit



Track in

Track out

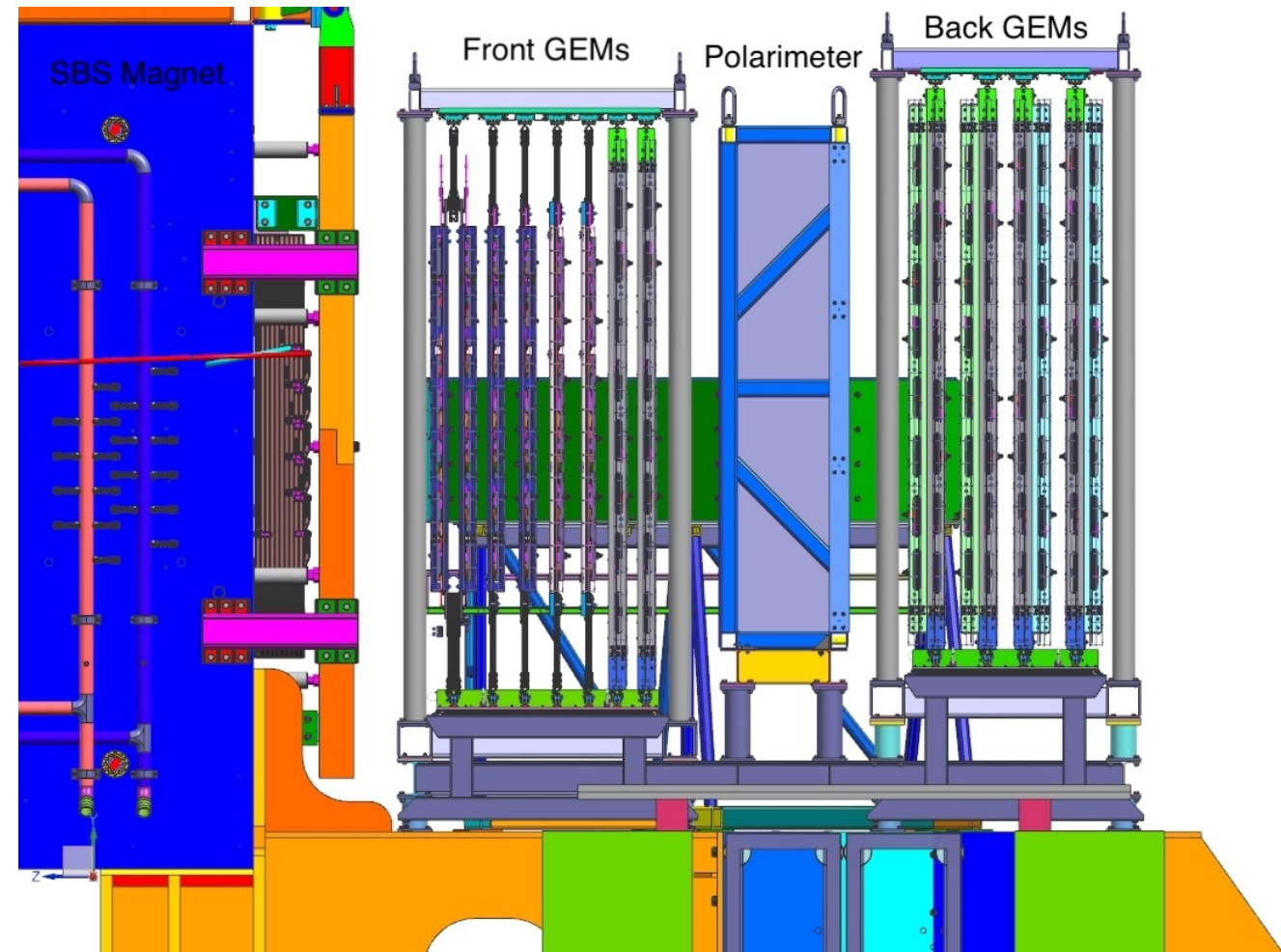
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The Hadron Arm



- GEM tracking detectors
 - Scattering angle, position, direction, etc.
- 8 GEM layers in forward and back trackers
 - Front – 4 UV, 2 XW, 2 XY
 - Back – 8 XY
- All built by UVa group

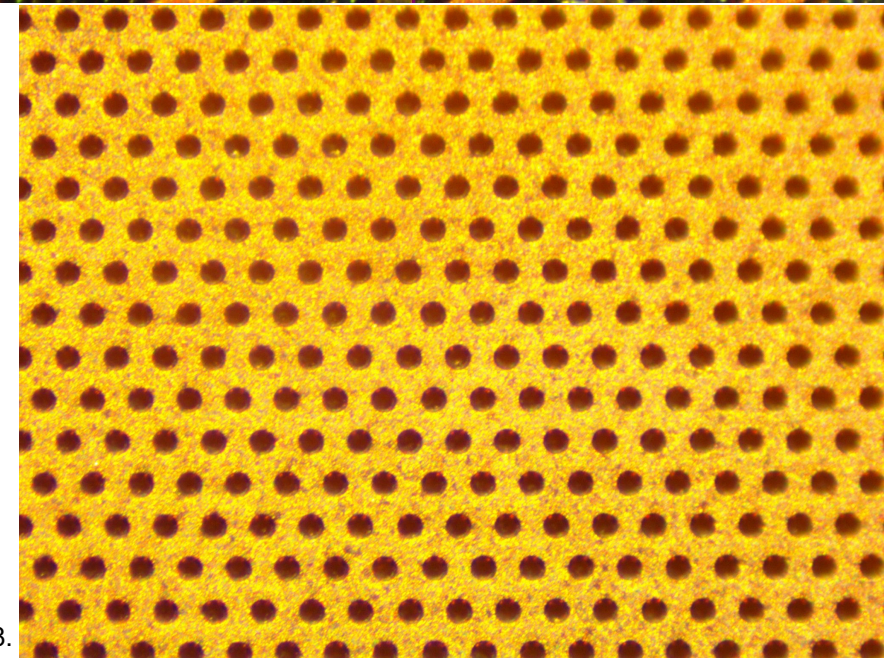
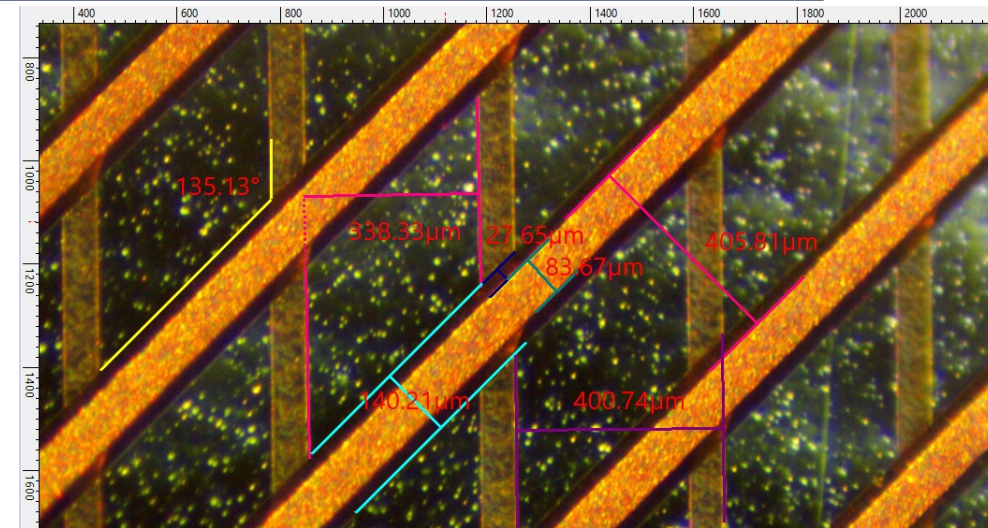
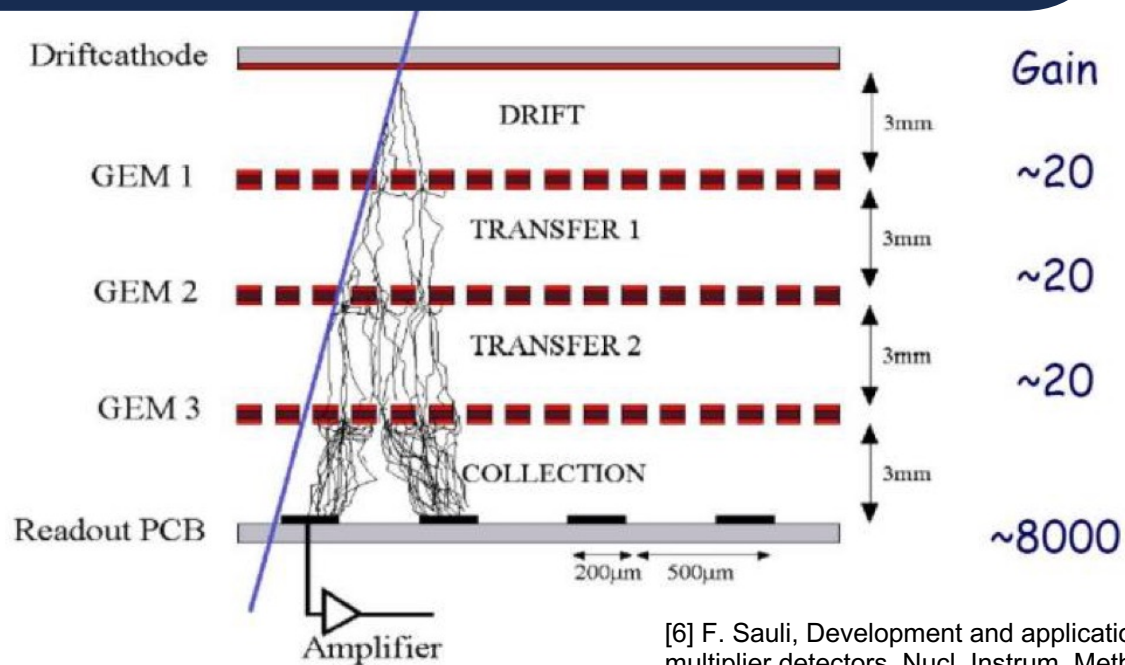


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GEM Detectors



- Gas Electron Multiplication
 - Incident particles ionize gas
 - Electrons accelerated across Drift field
 - Avalanche Multiplication in GEM regions
 - Charge deposited on readout board (crossing wire strips or sometimes pixels)
 - APV25 cards read signals and provide ADC values
- Mixture of Argon (70-75%) and CO₂ (30-25%)

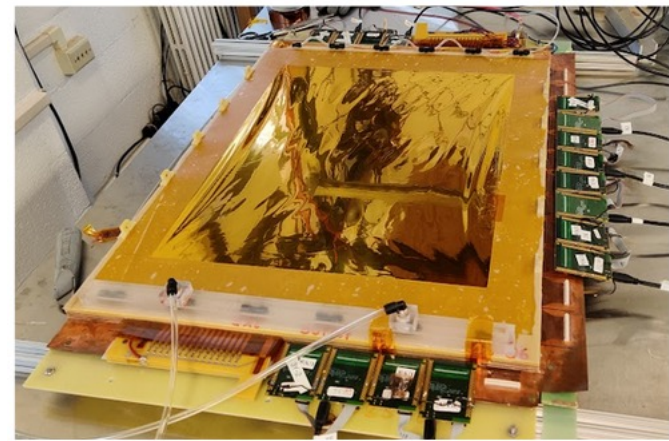
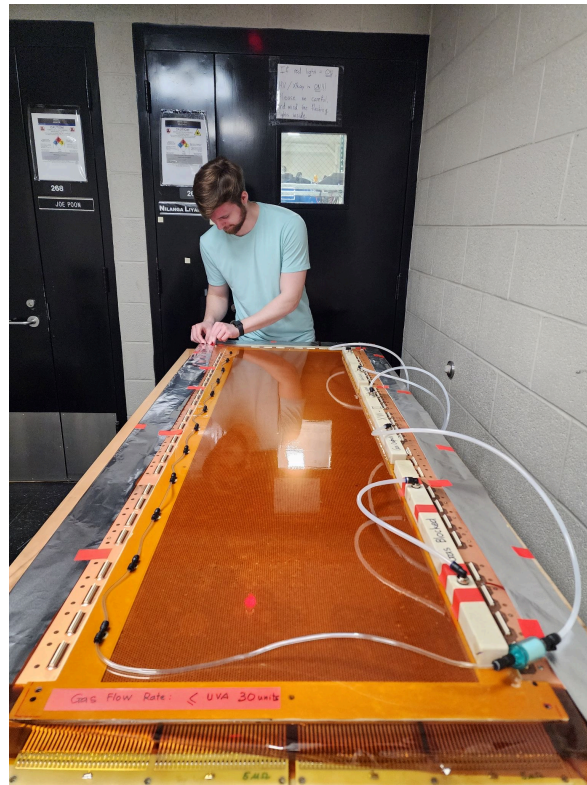


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GEM Characteristics



- 3 mm spaced triple GEMs
- GEM hole diameter/pitch: 70/140 μm
- Readout wire spacing:
 - Resolution: 70 μm
- Wire Pitch:
 - XW: 35°
 - UV: 45°
 - XY: 90°
- Active Area:
 - XW/UV: 150x40 cm^2
 - XY: 50x60 cm^2



Summary and Outlook



- SBS experiment E12-17-004 (GEn-RP) completed May 2024
- SBS currently being reconfigured for GEp-V
- Nominal start date of October 24th, 2024
 - Completion in April 2025 with subsequent analysis



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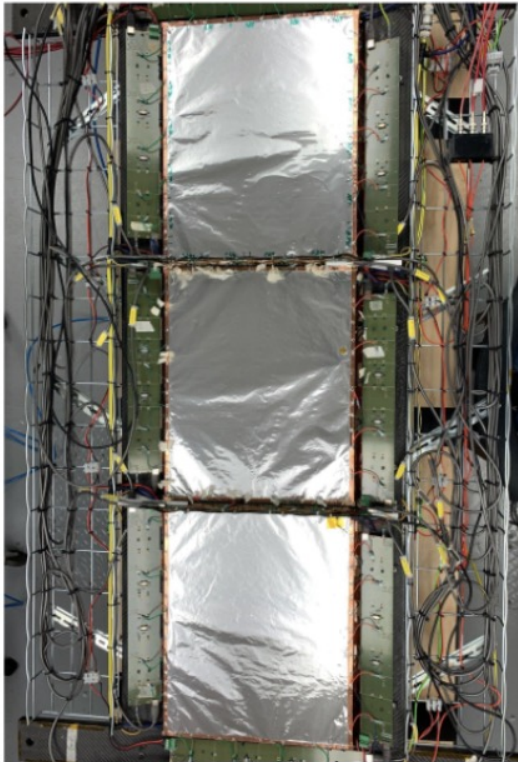
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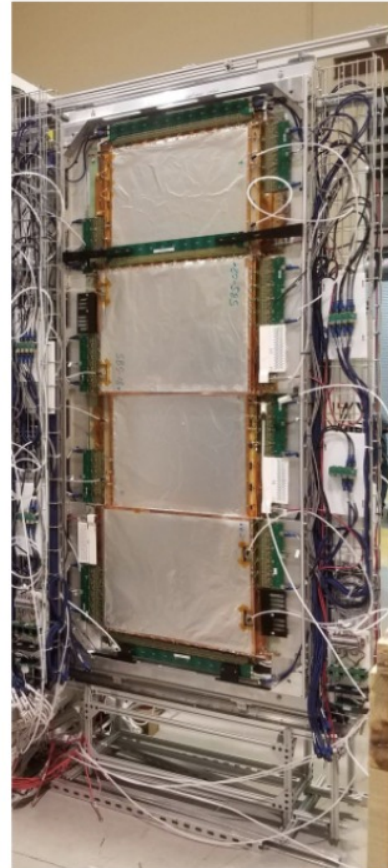
SBS GEM Types



INFN X-Y



UVa X-Y



UVa U-V

