

Timelike Compton Scattering (in Hall C) at JLab : path forward in GPD studies

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Accessing GPDs through exclusive reactions

Compton like reactions

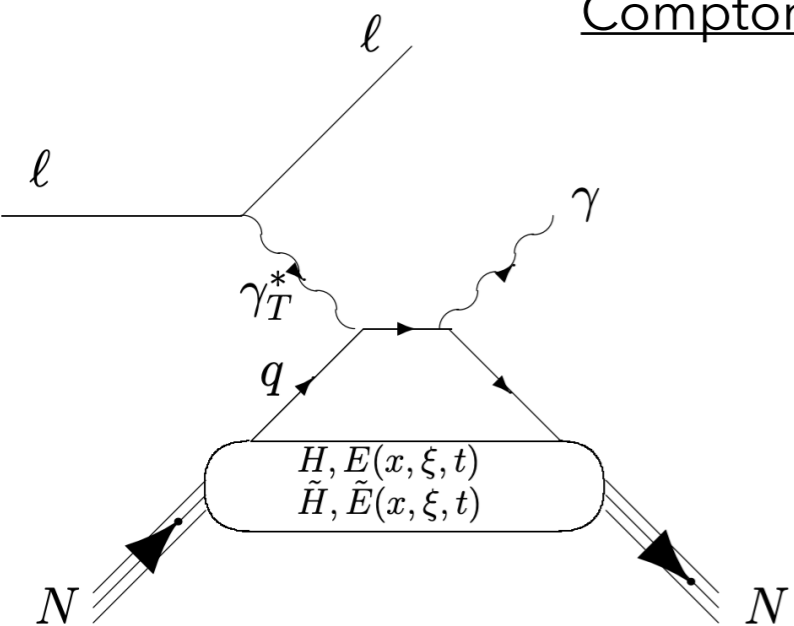


Fig : DVCS

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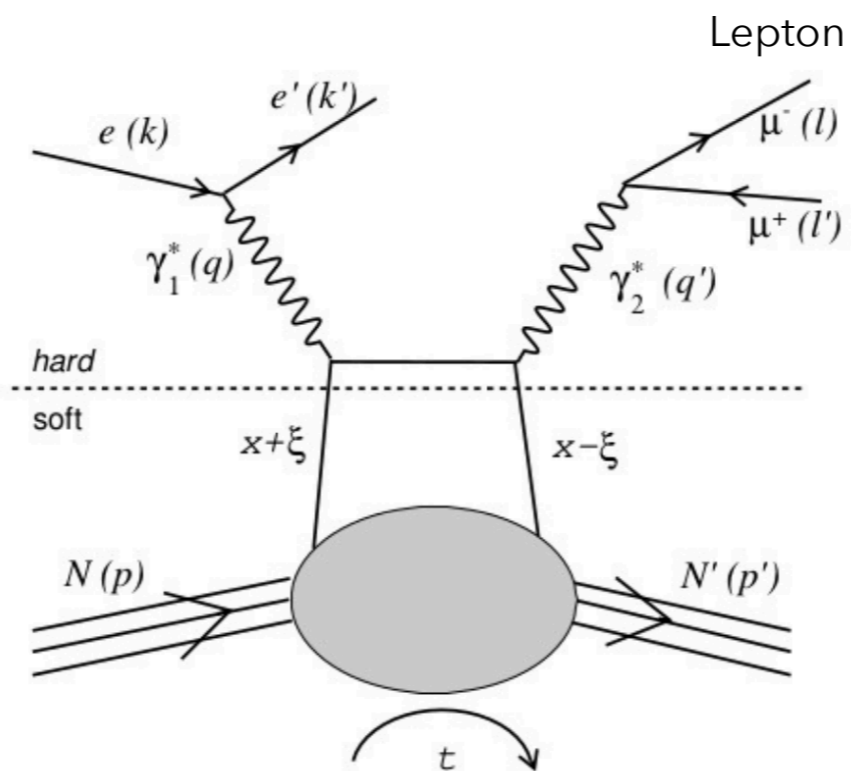


Fig : DDVCS

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Meson production

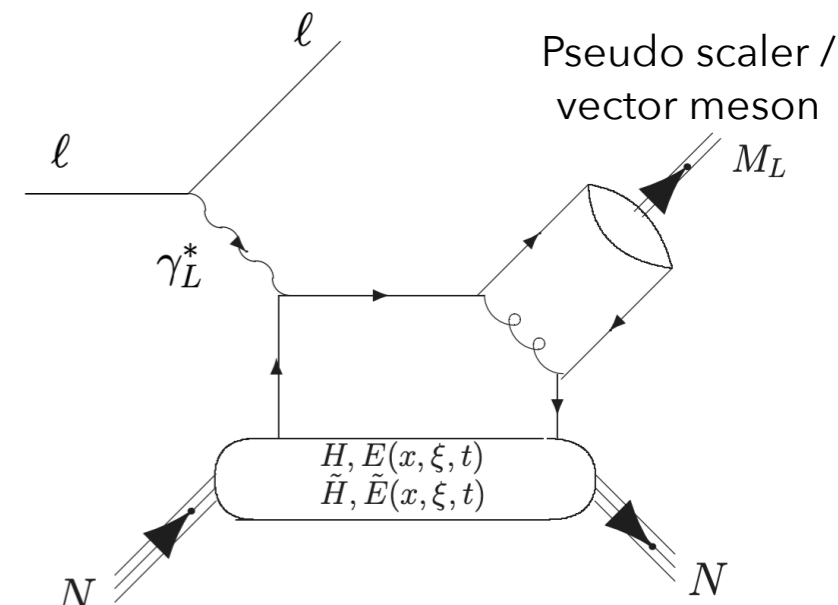


Fig : DVMP (quark Subprocess)

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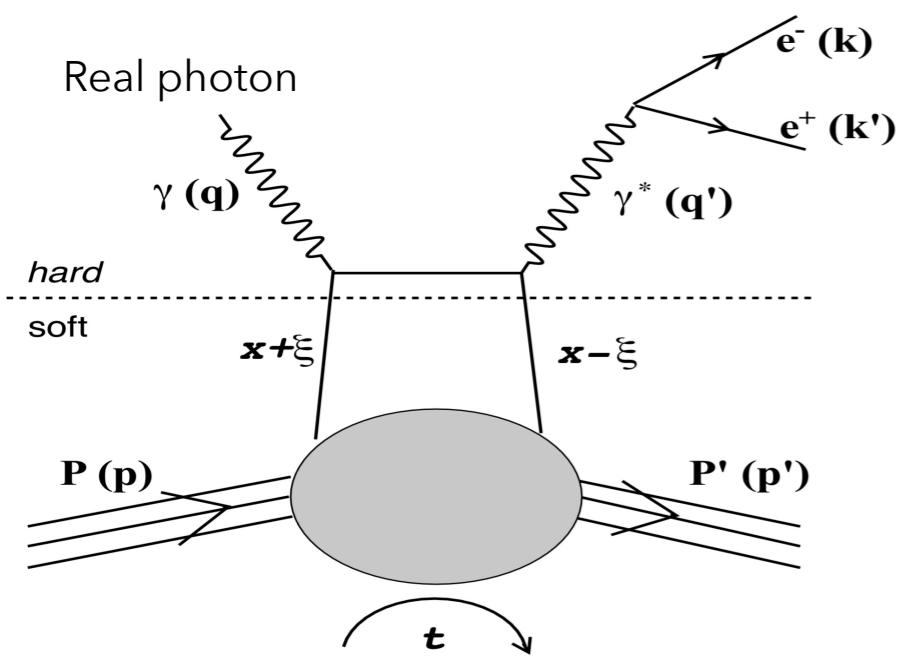


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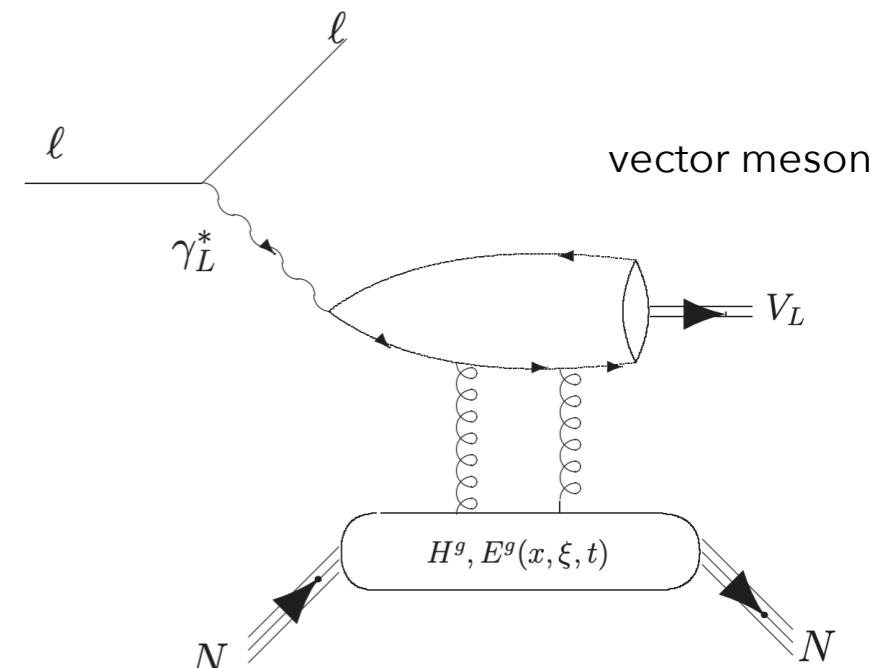


Fig : DVMP (gluon subprocess)

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Timelike Compton Scattering

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

1. TCS : scattering of a real photon off a quark of a nucleon which results in the emission of high virtuality photon and followed by the decay of the virtual photon into a lepton pair
2. TCS interfere with Bethe-Heitler like process
3. BH : splitting of a real photon in the nucleon electromagnetic field where high virtuality photon being exchanged

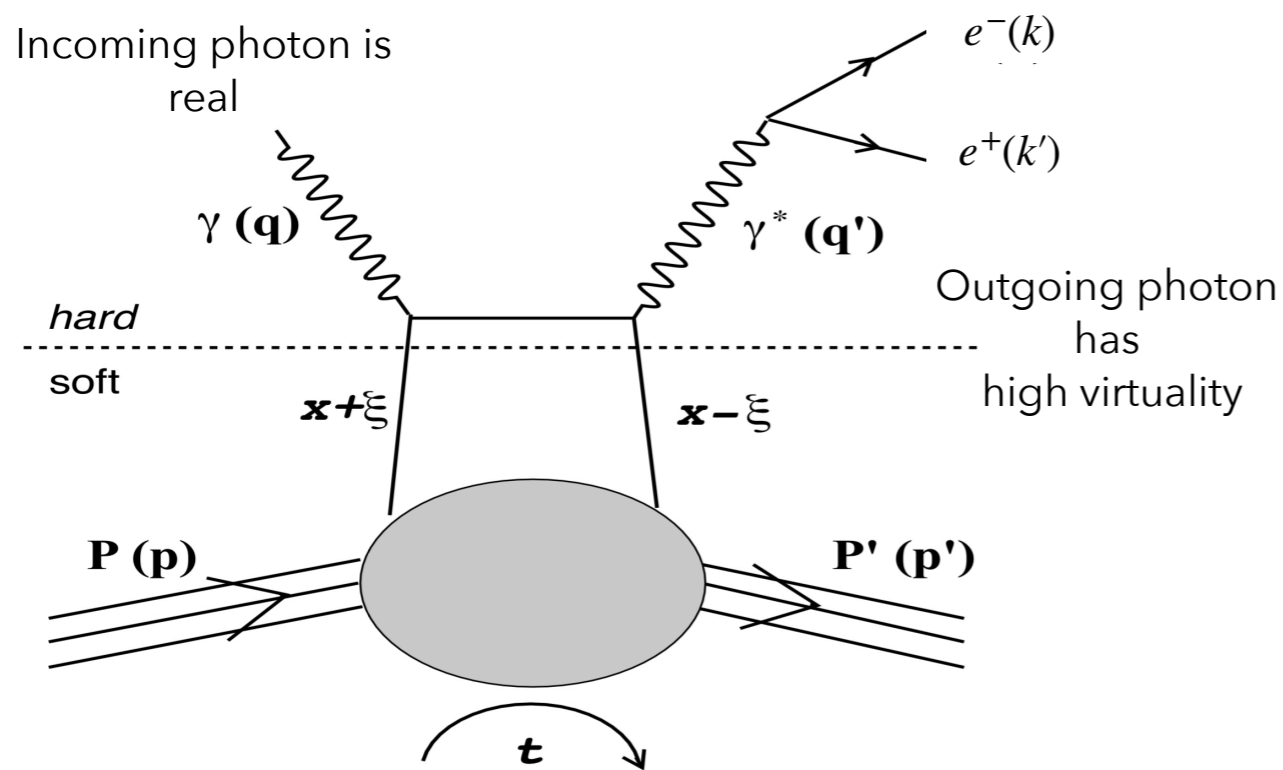


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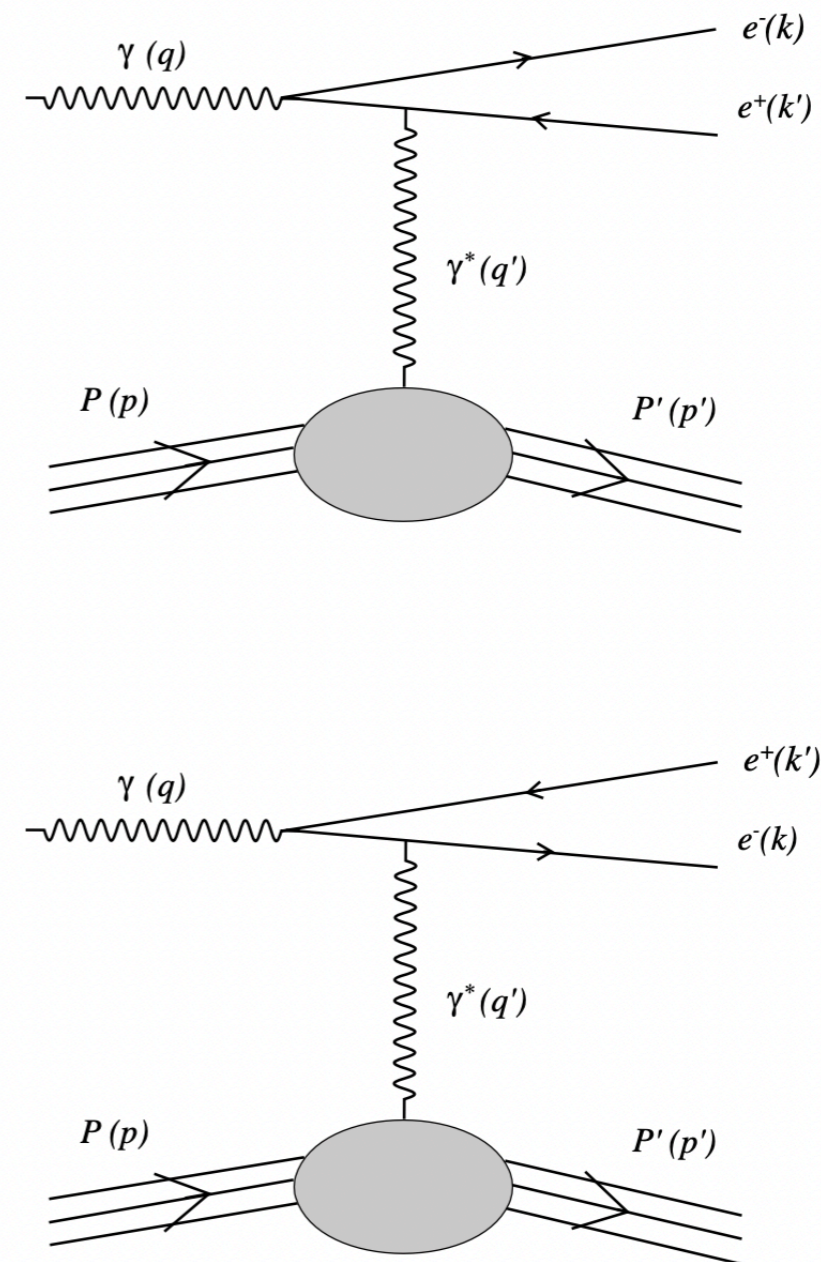
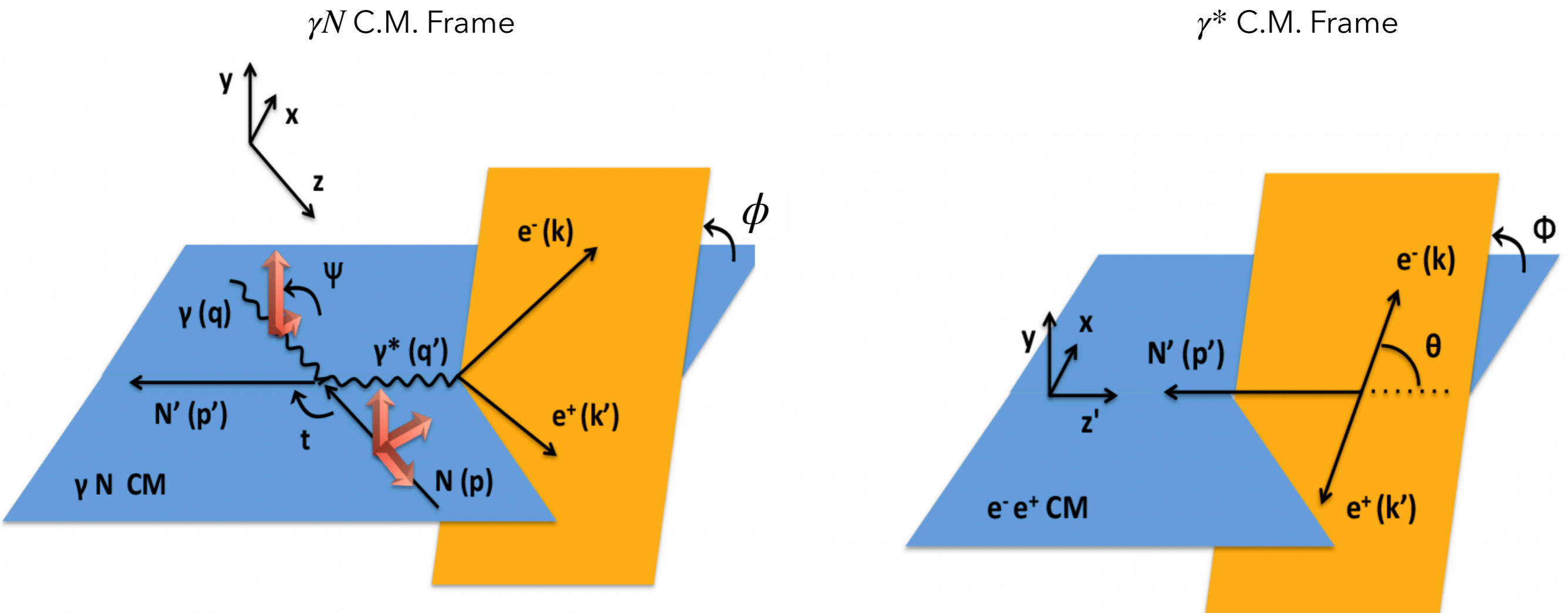


Fig : Bethe-Heitler diagrams

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Timelike Compton Scattering

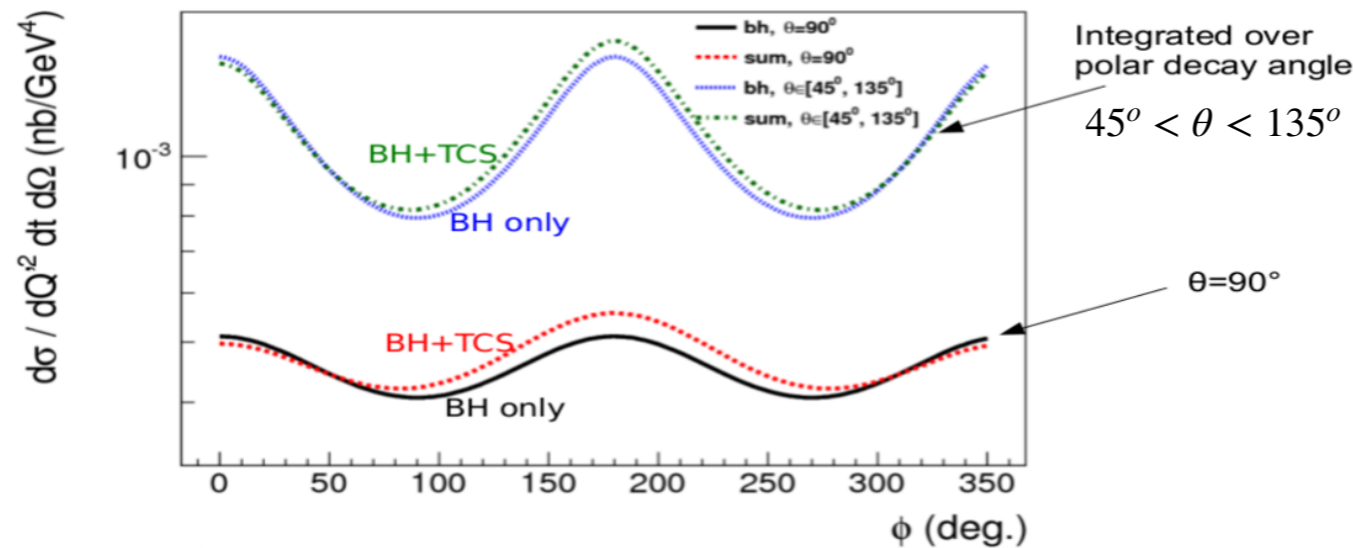


- ψ : Angle between reaction plane and γ spin
- ϕ : Angle between the hadronic plane (blue) and e^+e^- plane (yellow)
- θ : Angle between γ^* and e^- (visible when boost to γ^* CM frame)
- θ_s, ϕ_s : target spin orientation vs reaction plane (blue)

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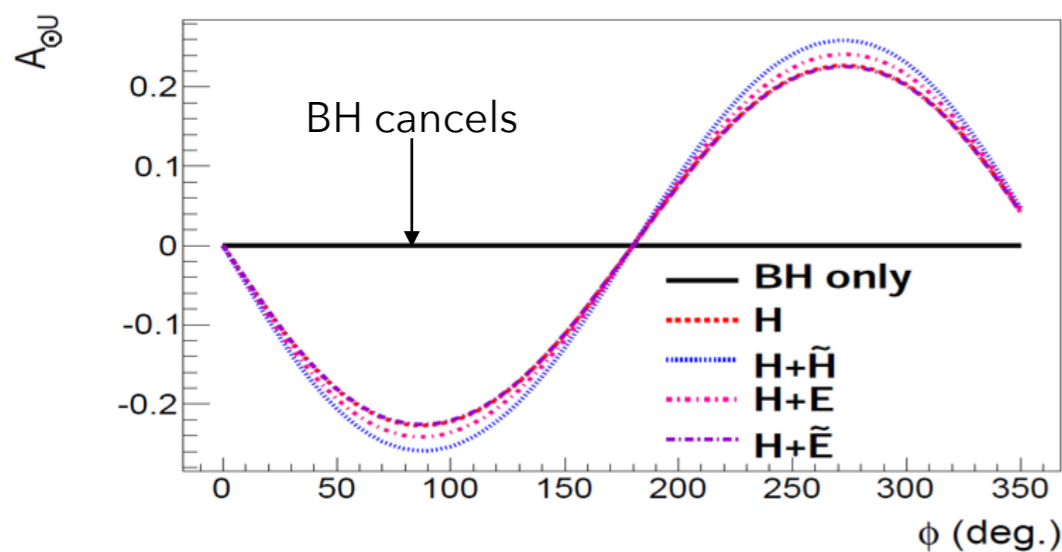
TCS observables and GPD sensitivity (Calculations)

Unpolarized Cross sections

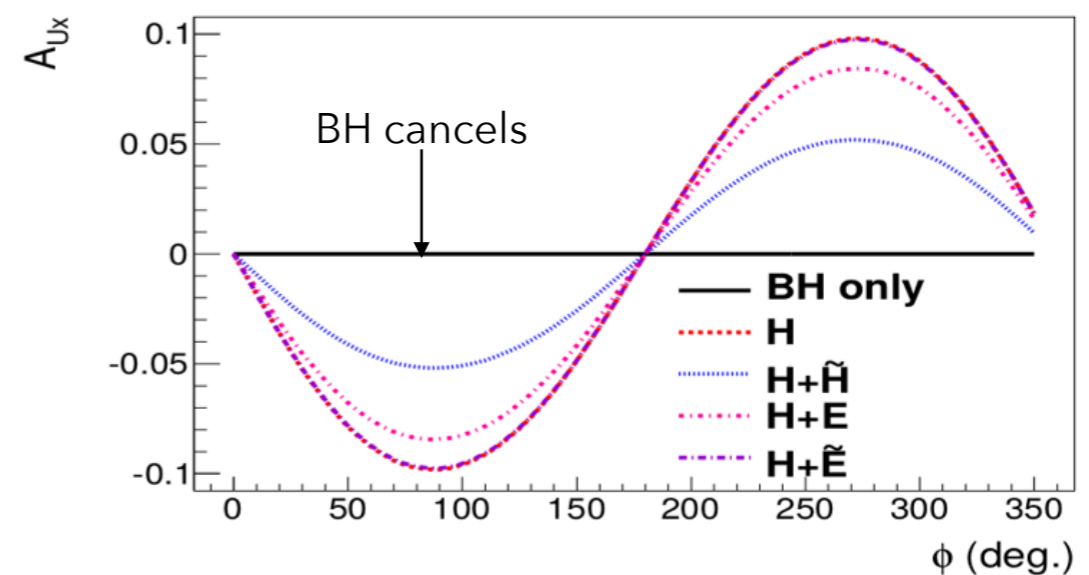


1. Unpolarized σ :
 1. sensitivity to both Im + Re part of amplitude
 2. difficult to measure as BH (only Real) dominant
2. Beam or target polarized Asymmetry :
 1. BH cancel, reflect interference (Im)
 2. easier to measure, quite large
 3. access Im(H), Im(\tilde{H}), Im(E)
3. Double spin asymmetry or linear beam:
 1. strong constrains on Re
 2. very hard, dominated by BH

Circularly polarized beam asymmetry



Transversely polarized target asymmetry



from Boer, Guidal, Vanderhaeghen, Eur. Phys. J. A51 (2015) 8, 103

TCS Program

Observables	GPD	Target	Beam	Experiments
Unpol. cross sections vs ϕ	$\Re(H), \Im(H)$	Unpolarized (Lh2)	unpolarized	CLAS12 , SoLID (future), Unpol. TCS in Hall C
Cross sections vs ϕ	$\Im(H), \Im(\tilde{H})$	Unpolarized (Lh2)	Circularly polarized	CLAS12 , SoLID (future), Unpol. TCS in Hall C
Cross sections vs ϕ & ψ	$\Re(H), D - term$	Unpolarized (Lh2)	Linearly polarized	Possible with GlueX
Cross sections vs ϕ	$\Im(\tilde{H})$	Longitudinally polarized target	unpolarized	Possible with CLAS12
Cross section vs ϕ & ϕ_S	$\Im(E), \Im(\tilde{H})$	Transversely polarized target	unpolarized	Pol. TCS in Hall C Work in progress
Double spin asym. vs ϕ	$\Re(CFF)$	log. Polarized	Circularly polarized	Extremely interesting but very difficult
Double spin asym. vs ϕ & ϕ_S	$\Re(CFF)$	trans. Polarized	Circularly polarized	Extremely interesting but very difficult
Double spin asym. vs ϕ & ψ	$\Im(CFFs)$	log. Polarized	Longitudinally polarized	Not useful too complex and not enough info
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Physics Observables Polarized TCS:

cross section and transverse target spin asymmetry

Single Spin Asymmetry (A_{UT}): unpolarized beam and transversely polarized target

$$A_{UT} = \frac{\sigma^+ - \sigma^-}{\sigma^+ + \sigma^-} \quad \dots (1)$$

1. $\sigma^\pm \equiv \frac{d^6\sigma}{dQ^2 dt d\Omega d\phi_s dE_\gamma}$: 6 differential scattering cross-section TCS+BH
2. \pm : x direction (+) or y direction (-) of spin ϕ_s of the transversely polarized target
3. 6 differential cross section sensitive to Imaginary part of CFF
4. Asymmetry arises due to the interference between the TCS and BH processes
5. $A_{UT} \propto \sin(\phi, \phi_s)$ moment of the $\frac{d^6\sigma^{INT}}{dQ^2 dt d(\cos\theta) d\phi d\phi_s dE_\gamma}$
6. A_{UT} is sensible to the Imaginary part of the amplitude
7. As BH amplitude is purely Real, A_{UT} asymmetry is due to TCS process only

Polarized TCS: kinematic coverage & CFF accuracies

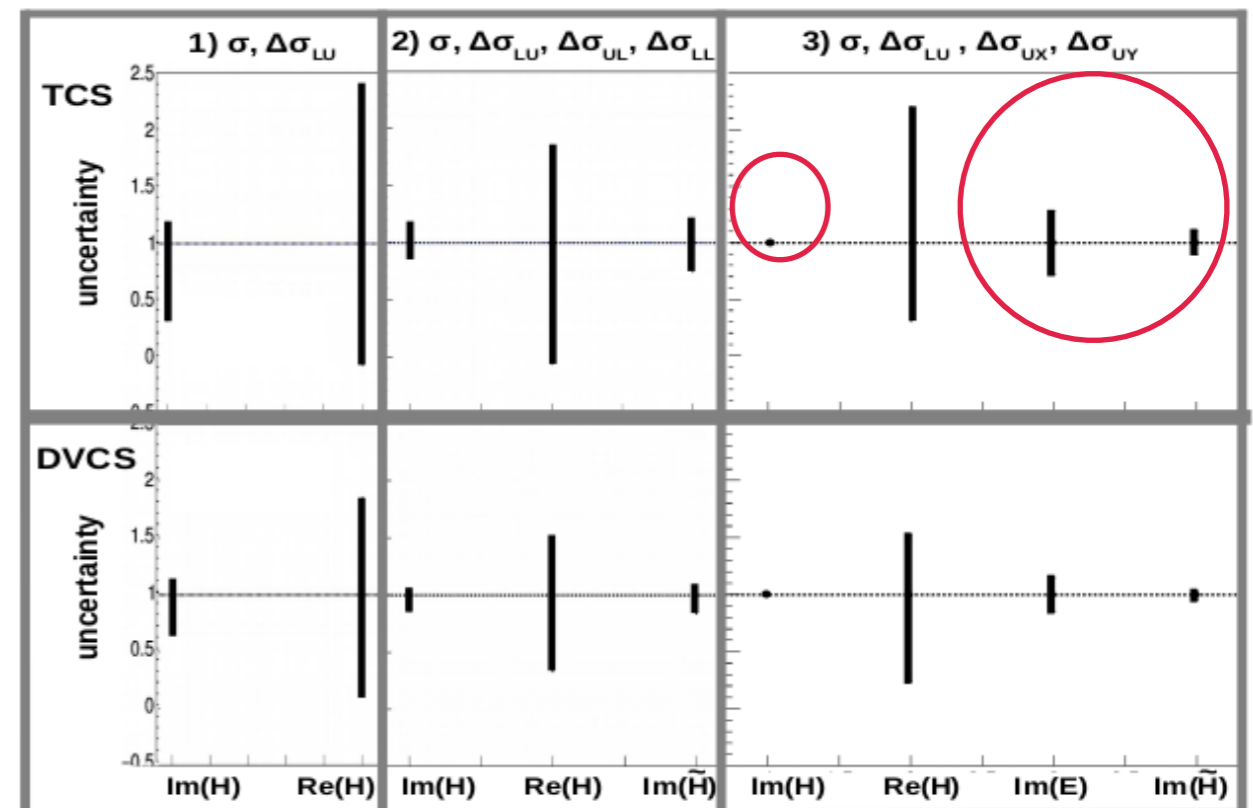
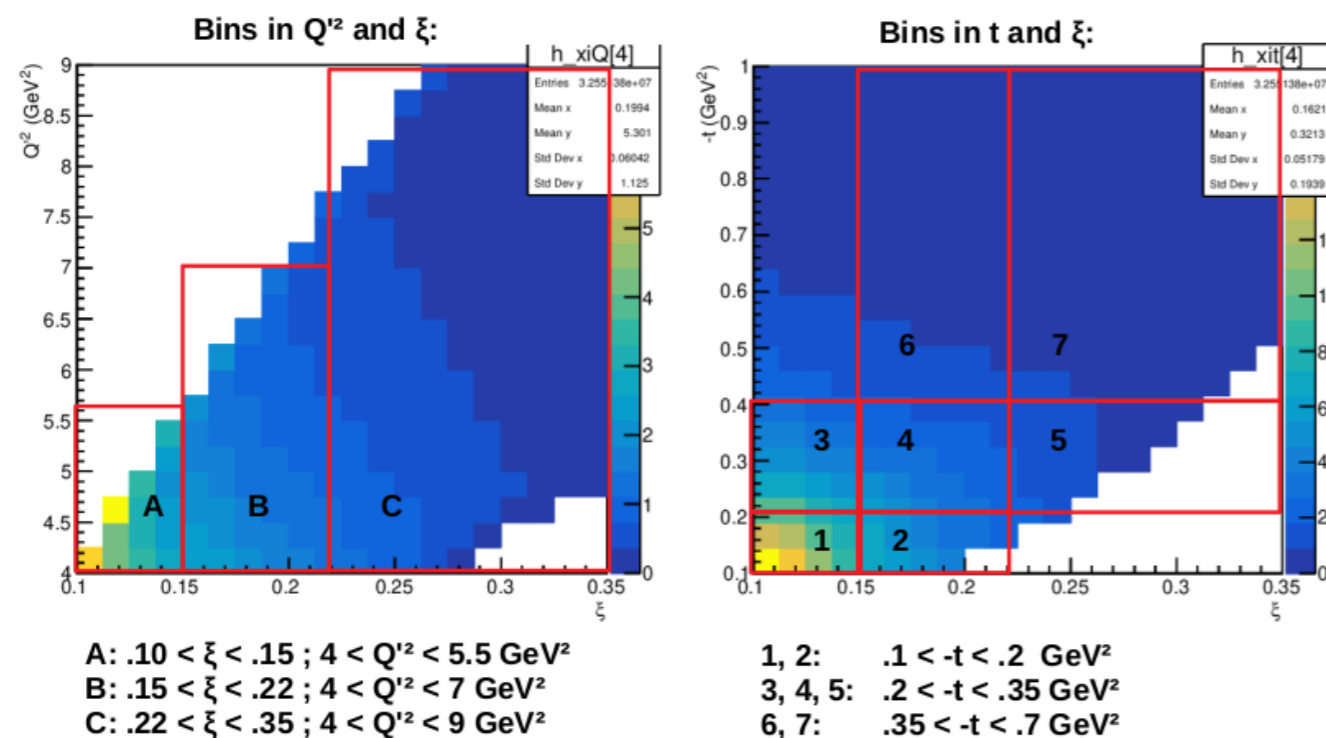
Kinematic coverage

1. $5.5 < E_\gamma < 11 \text{ GeV}$: for most of the events $E_\gamma > 7.5 \text{ GeV}$
2. $0.1 < \xi < .35$: correlated with E_γ cut
3. $4 < Q'^2 < 9 \text{ GeV}^2$: above the region of meson resonance and below J/ψ
4. $0.1 < -t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$: limited statistics above 1 GeV^2 , proton tracking below 0.1 GeV^2
5. $30^\circ < \theta < 150^\circ$: staying away from BH peaks

Example estimates of accuracies on the model extraction of CFFs.

TCS with trans. pol. Target:

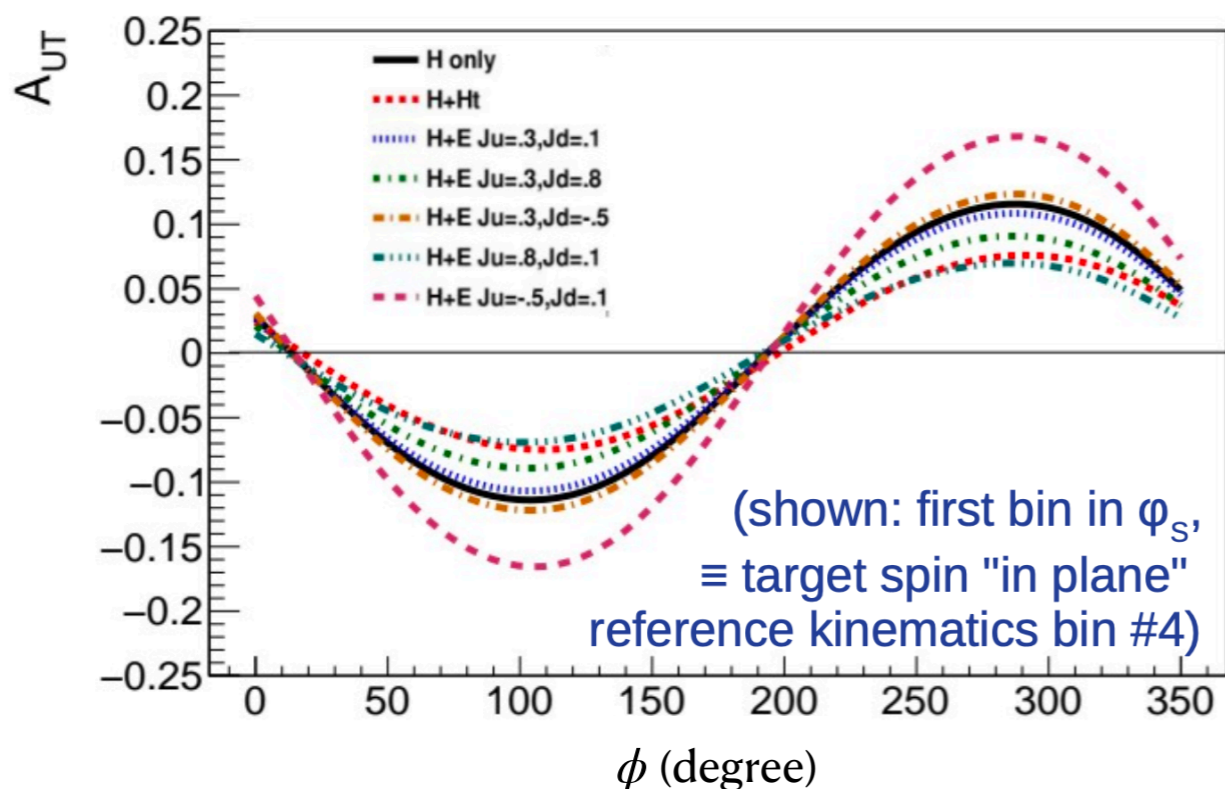
1. Allows for extraction of $\text{Im}(E)$ (unique to this proposal)
2. Allows for extraction of $\text{Im}(H)$ to good accuracy (universality tests)



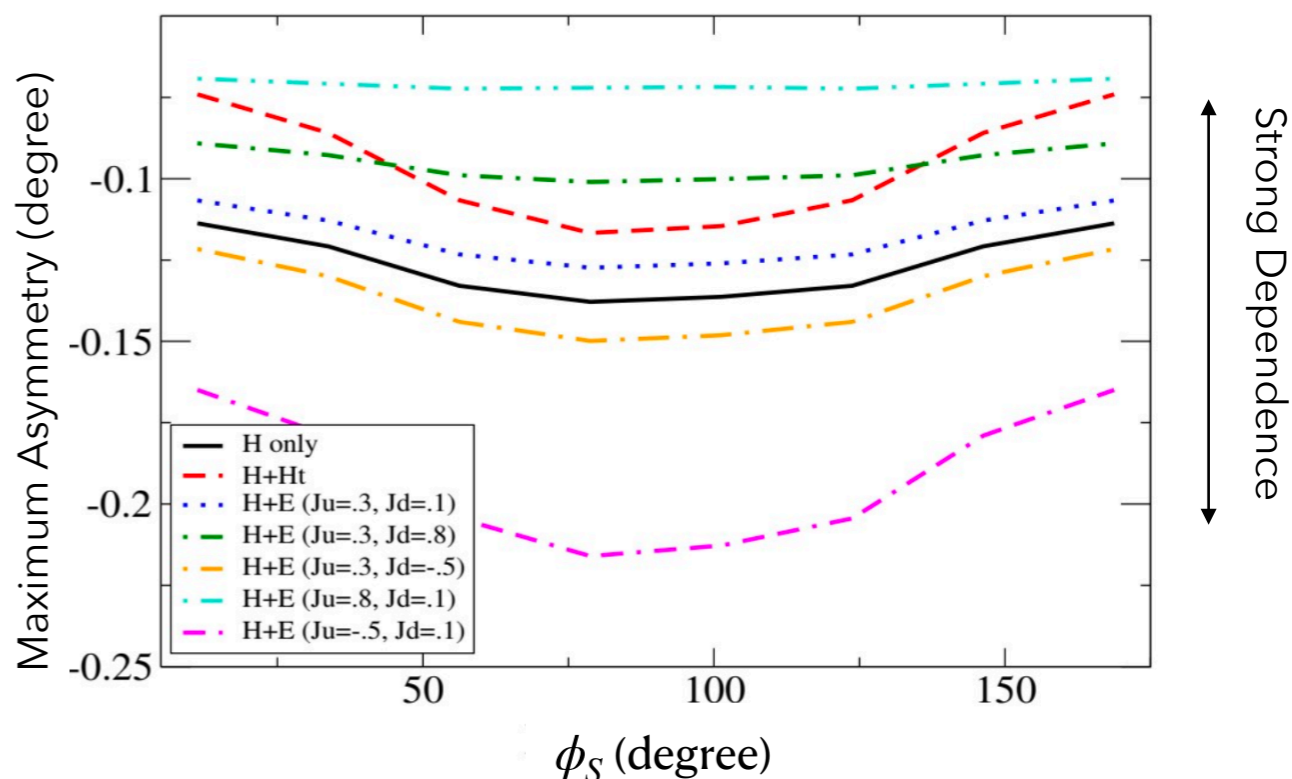
Kinematic region out of pion resonance production

Polarized TCS: projected asymmetry

Dependence in GPD parametrization and J_u, J_d (VGG model) vs ϕ and $\phi_S = 0$

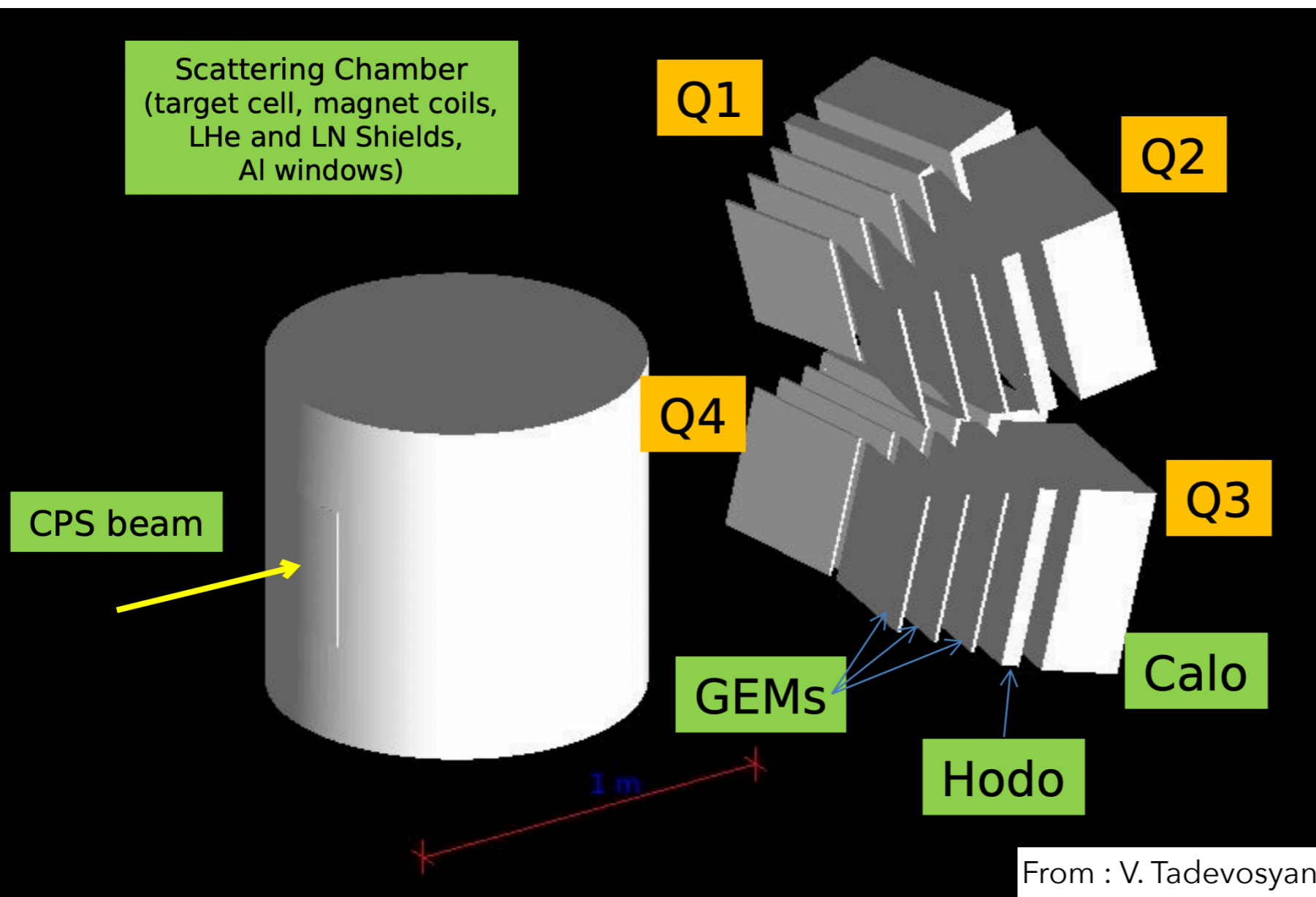


$\sin(\phi)$ moment of transverse spin asymmetry vs ϕ_S , Dependence in GPD E and $J^{u,d}$ (VGG model)



High sensitivity with spin of different quarks ($J^{u,d}$)

Polarized TCS measurement setup for Hall C



1. High intensity photon source $1.5 \times 10^{12} \gamma/\text{sec}$ (CPS)
2. Target chamber: NH_3 , 3cm Polarized via DNP
3. Tracking: GEM+hodoscopes, 4 symmetric quadrants
4. Calorimeters: 4 symmetric quadrants, equivalent of 2 NPS $\sim 6^\circ$ to 27° aperture
5. Lumi request: $5.85 \times 10^5 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

Fig : Geant4 simulation of detector setup at Hall C for proposed polarized TCS experiment

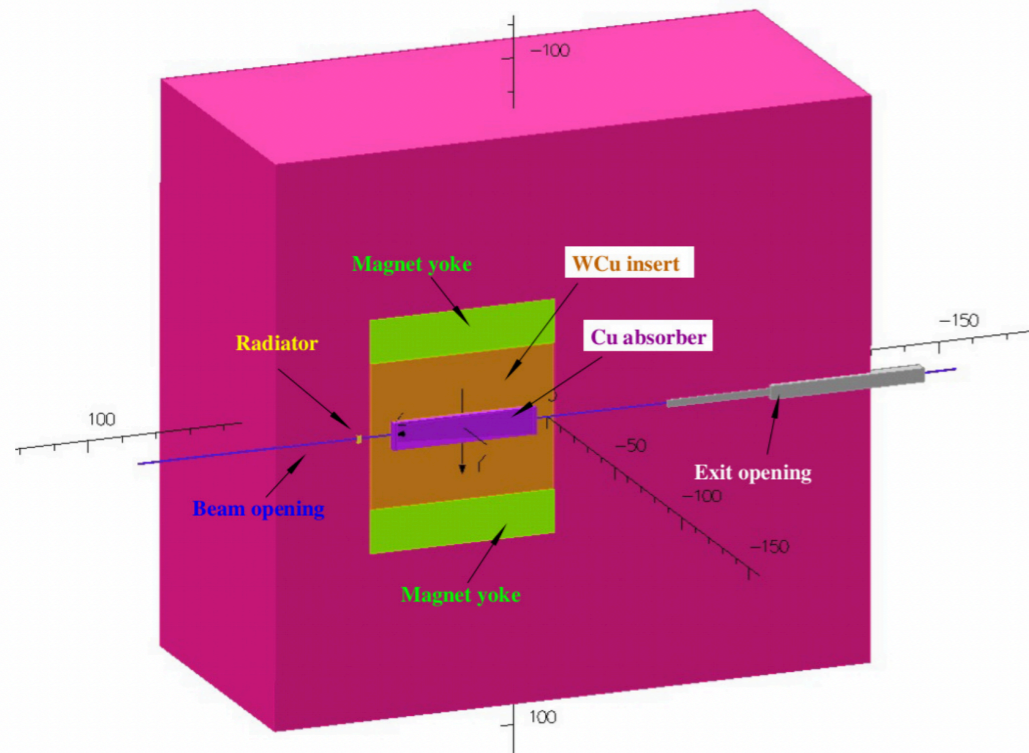
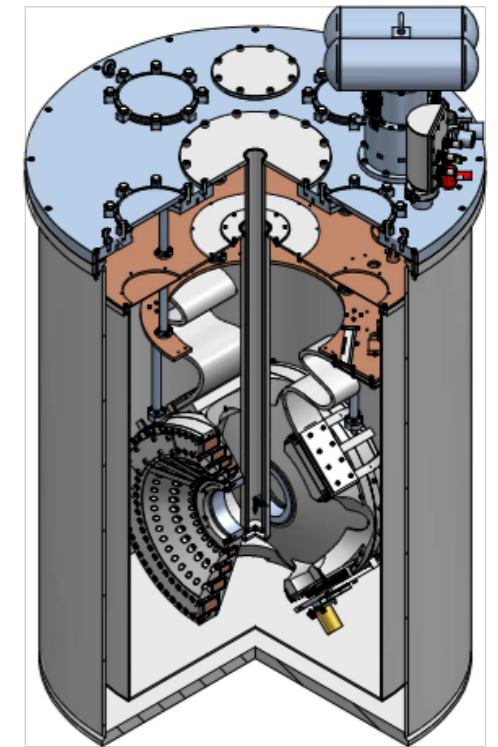
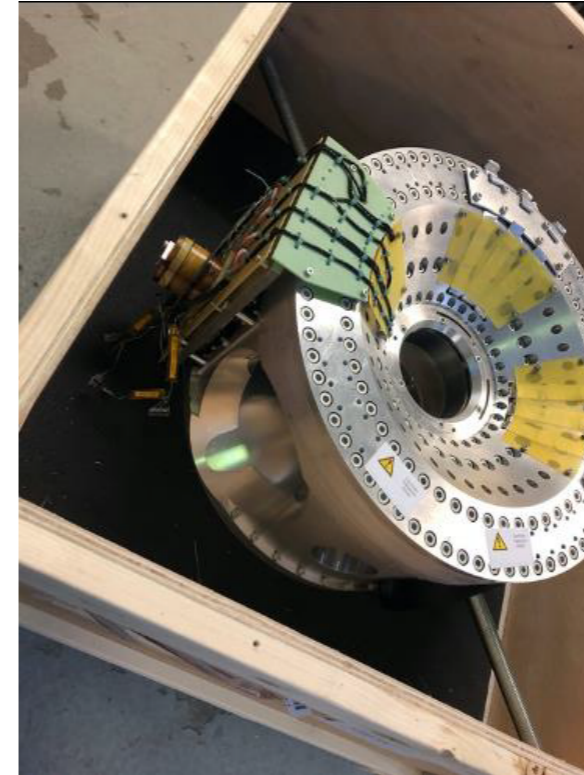


Fig : The CPS Cut off view

Source : A Conceptual Design Study of a Compact Photon Source (CPS) for Jefferson Lab

1. Spot size $\sim 0.9 \text{ mm}$ at a distance of 2m away from the radiator
2. Photon Flux $\sim 1.5 \times 10^{12} \text{ s}^{-1}$ from electron beam current $2.5 \mu\text{A}$ on 10% X_0 Cu radiator
3. Photon energy $> 0.5 E_{beam}$
4. Warm magnet to bend incoming electrons to local beam dump
5. Source : D.Day et al., NIMA 957 (2020) 163429



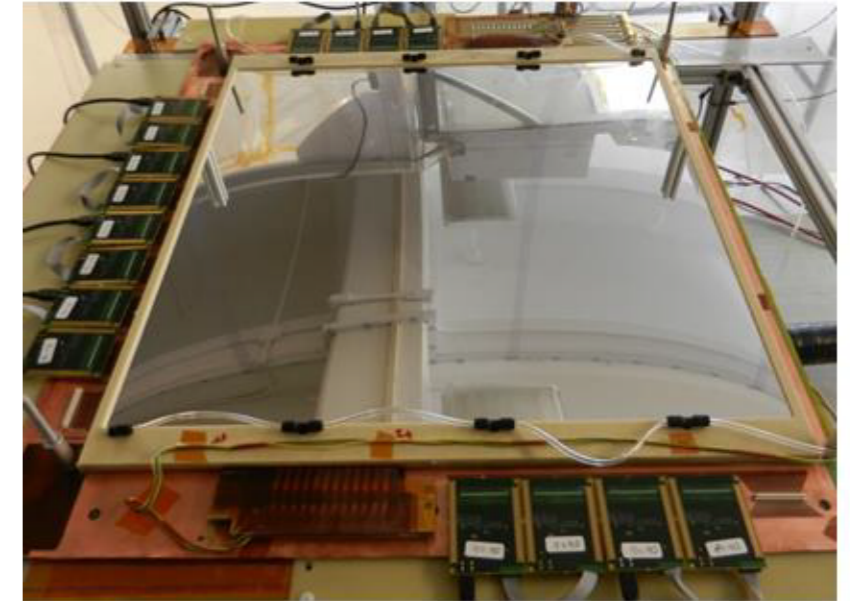
1. Target material: Liquid ammonia ($^{15}\text{NH}_3$), in LHe at 1°K .
2. Packing fraction 0.6.
3. Magnetic field generated by superconducting Helmholtz coils.
4. DNP polarization by 140 GHz, 20 W RF field.
5. Polarization monitored via NMR.
6. Depolarization mitigated by combined rotation ($\sim 1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

GEM Tracker , Hodoscope & Calorimeter

GEM trackers:

- Coordinate reconstruction accuracy $\sim 80 \mu\text{m}$
- Background rate tolerance up to 10^6 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_4 scintillator crystals, optically isolated
- Modules arranged in a mesh of carbon fiber/ μ -metal
- Expected energy resolution $2.5\%/\sqrt{E} + 1\%$
- Expected coordinate resolution $\sim 3 \text{ mm}$ at 1 GeV
- Modules arranged in 4 "fly's eye" assemblies of 23×23 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)

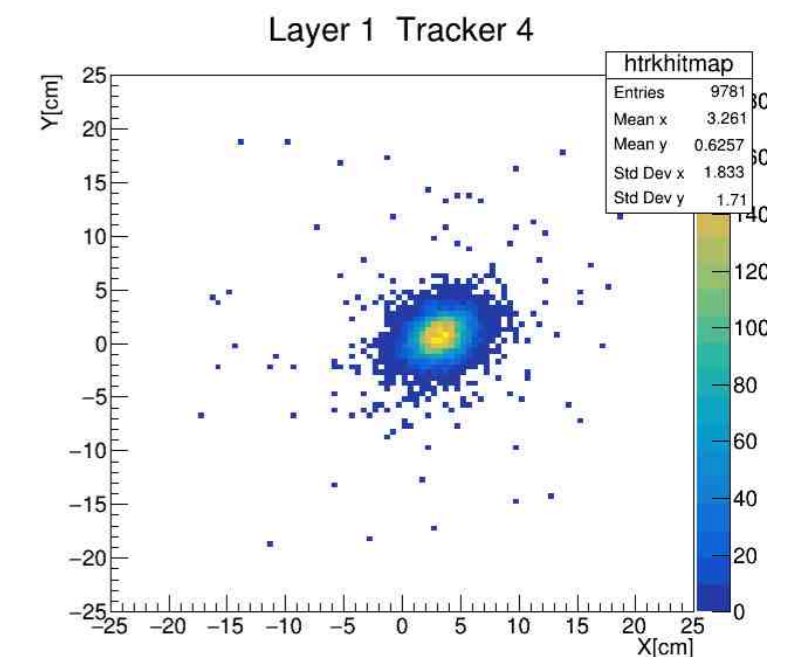
Polarized TCS : Recoil proton ID

Low energy protons : $E_{kin} \sim 30 \text{ MeV} - 450 \text{ MeV}$

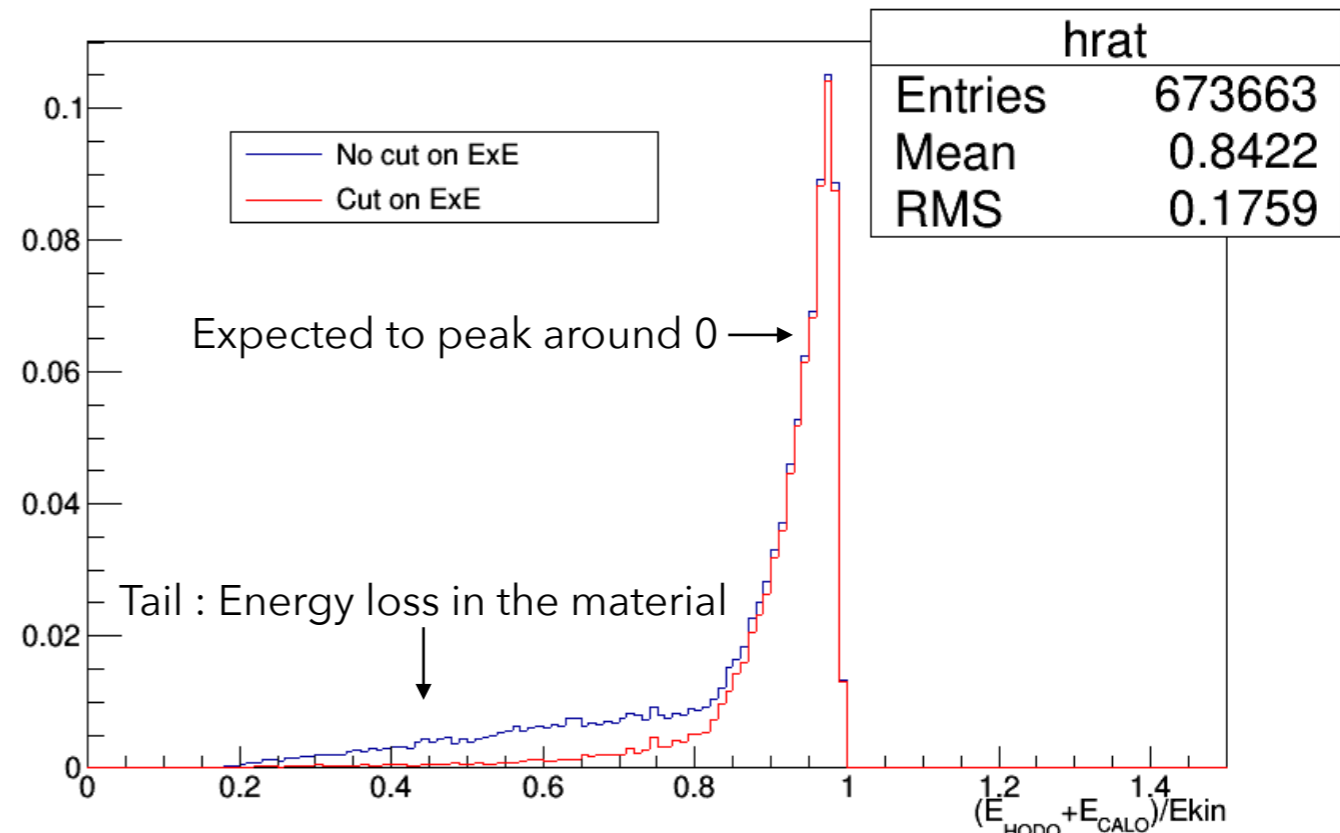
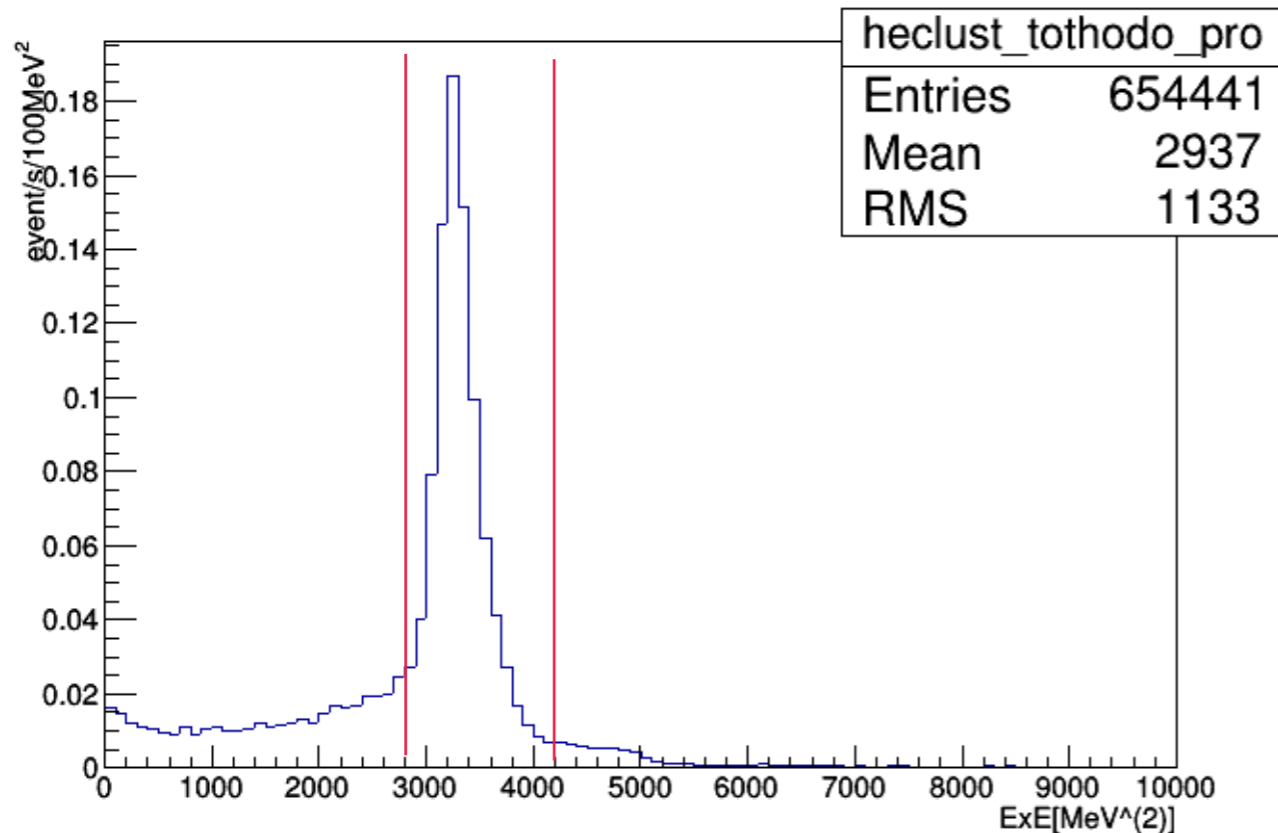
Cuts to select good protons :

1. $E_{HODO} > 15 \text{ MeV}$
2. $90 \text{ MeV} < E_{HODO} + E_{CALO} < 450 \text{ MeV}$
3. $2800 \text{ MeV}^2 < E.E < 4200 \text{ MeV}^2$

Where $E.E = (E_{HODO} + E_{CALO} - 12).(E_{HODO} - 7)$



GEM hit patten from 400 MeV/C protons



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Polarized TCS : Lepton charge assignment

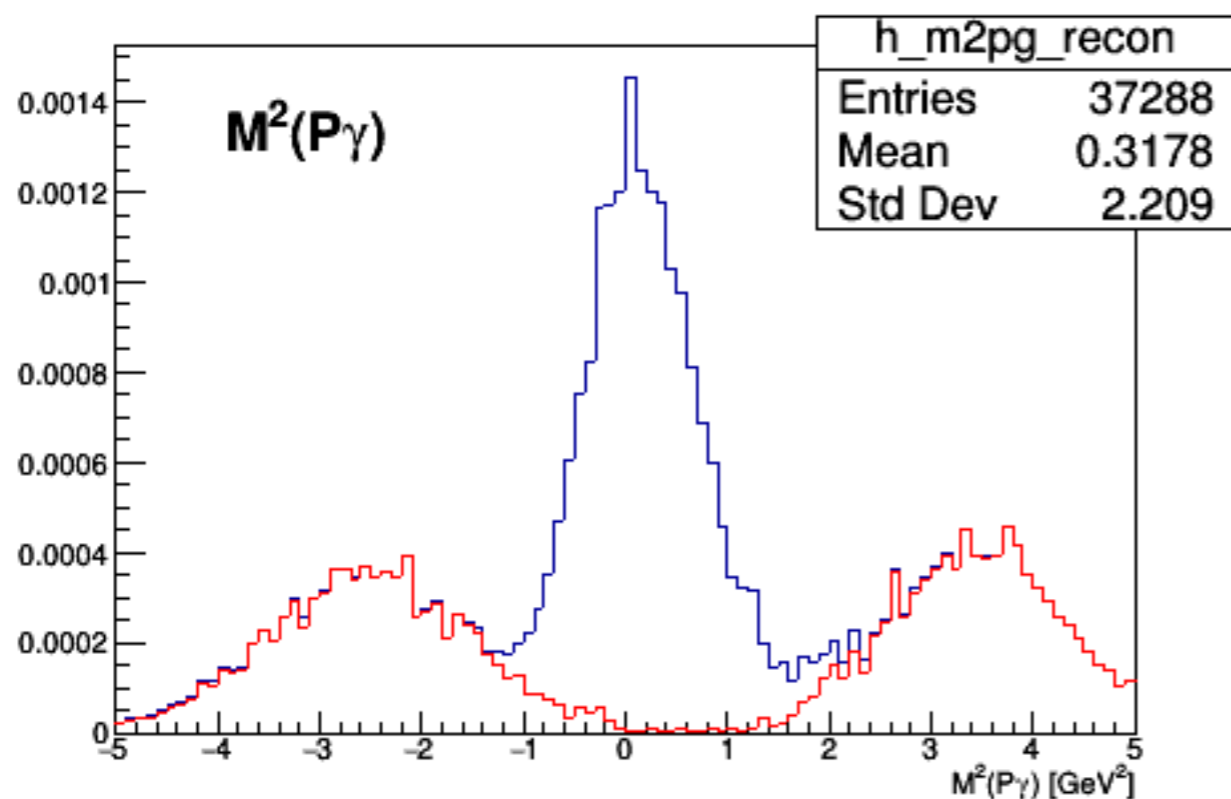
5T target field localized at target cell

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

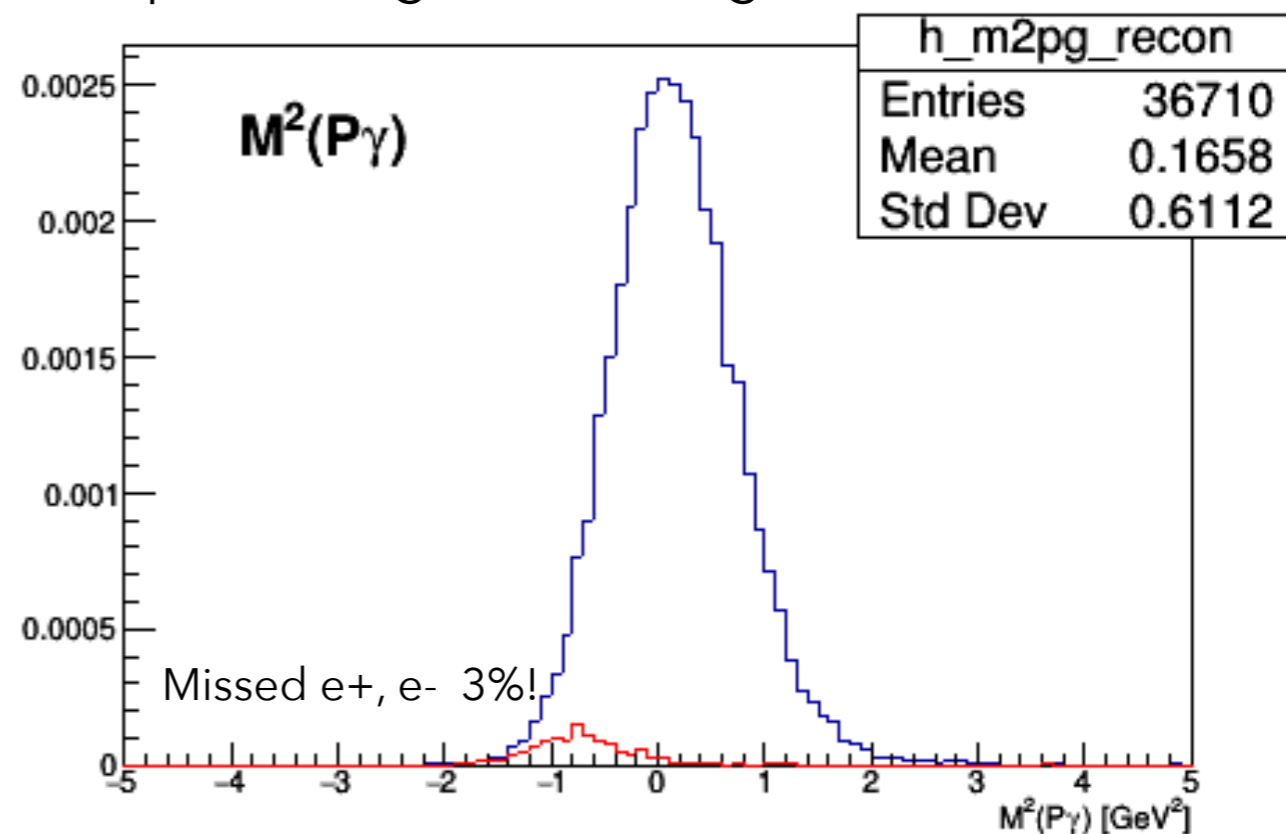
Alternative: use reconstructed incident photon mass:

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

Random lepton charge assignment

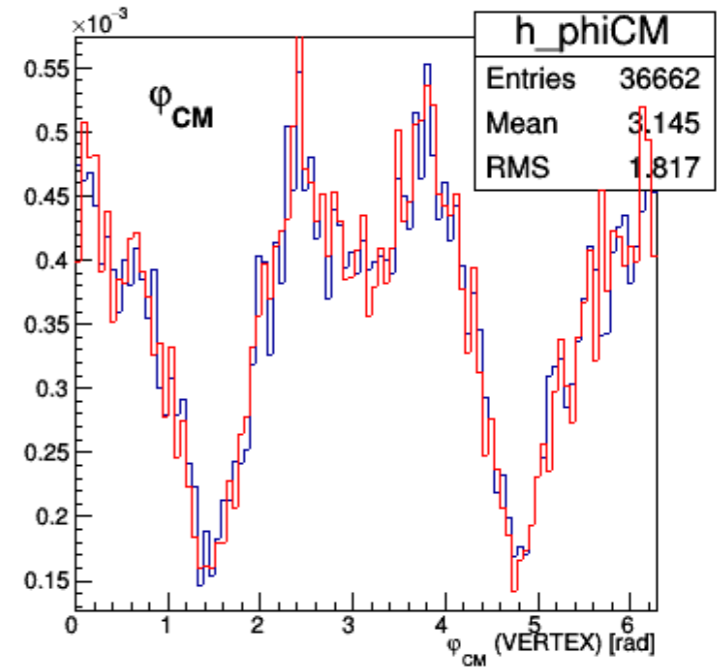
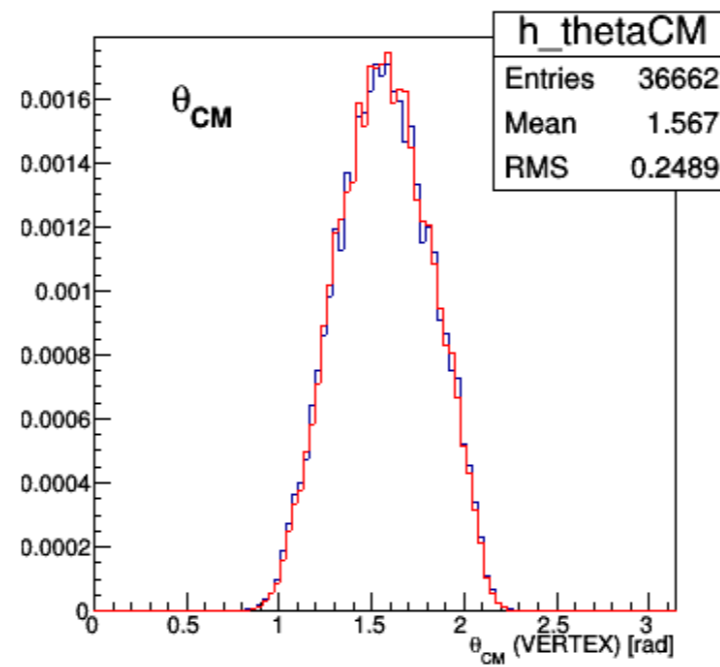
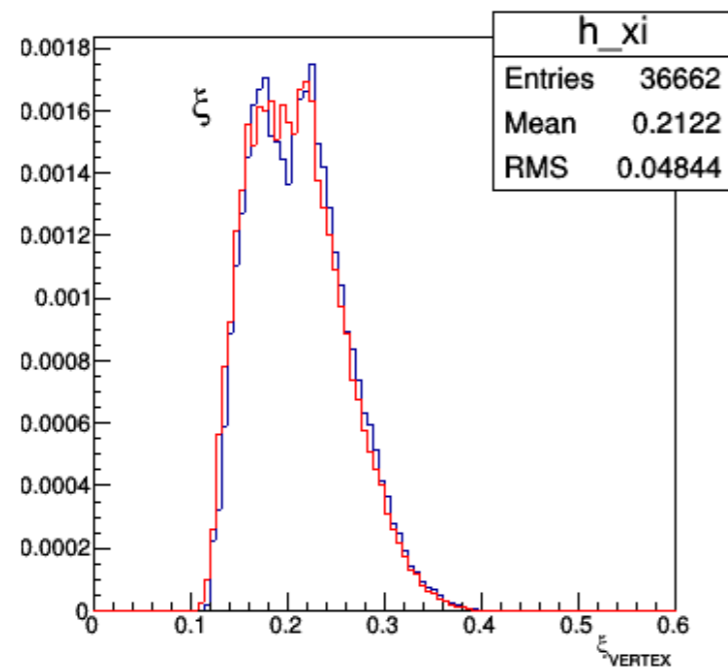
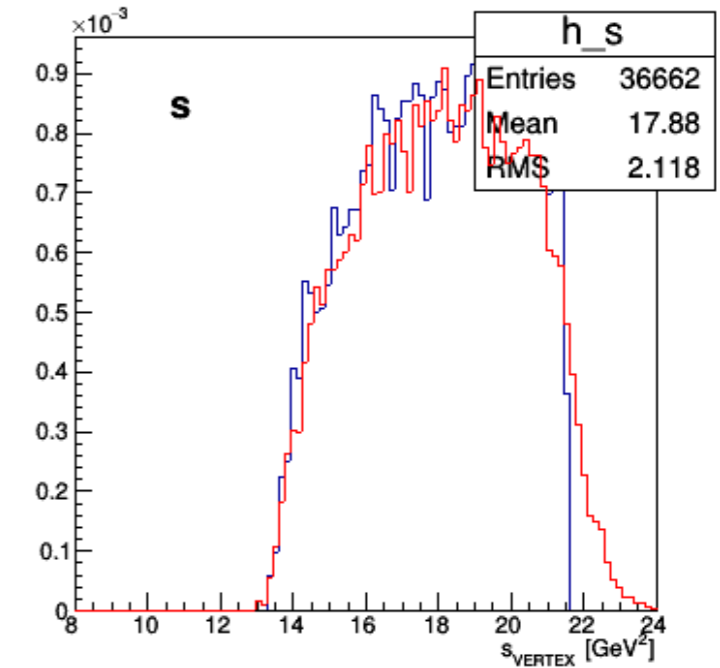
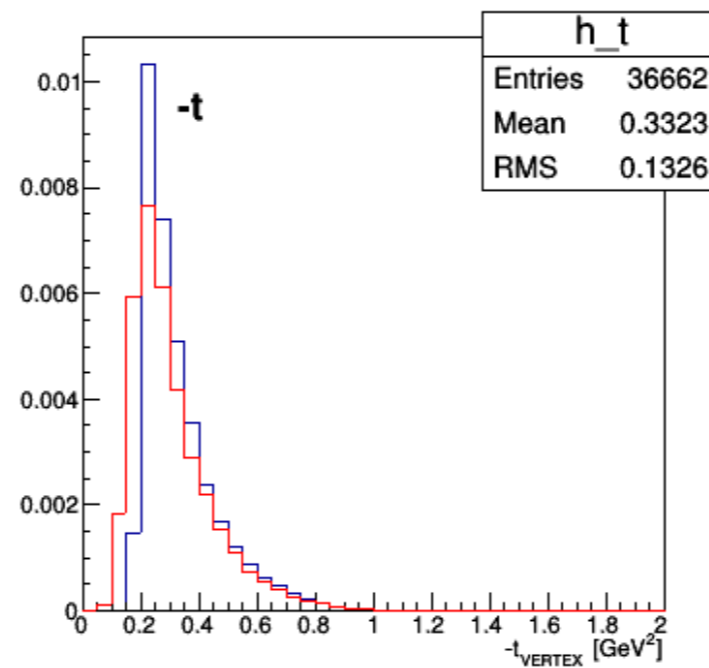
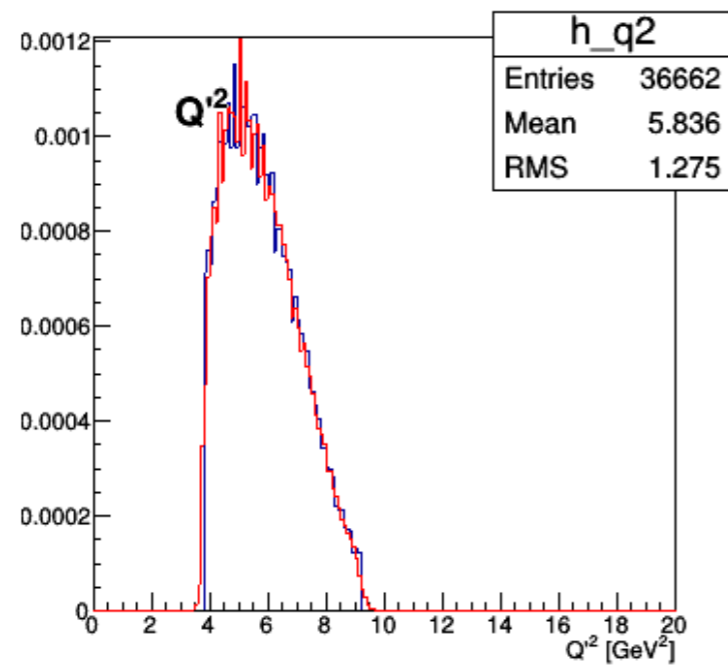


Lepton charges according to selection criteria



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Polarized TCS : reconstructed vs true quantities



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Physics Observables Unpolarized TCS : unpolarized cross section and polarized beam spin asymmetry

Single Spin Asymmetry ($A_{\odot U}$) : circularly polarized beam and unpolarized target

$$A_{\odot U} = \frac{\sigma^+ - \sigma^-}{\sigma^+ + \sigma^-} \dots (2)$$

1. $\sigma^\pm \equiv \frac{d^5\sigma}{dQ^2 dt d\Omega dE_\gamma}$: 5 differential scattering cross-section TCS+BH
2. \pm : right (+) or left (-) handed circular polarization of the real photon
3. 5 differential cross section sensitive to both Real and Imaginary part of CFF
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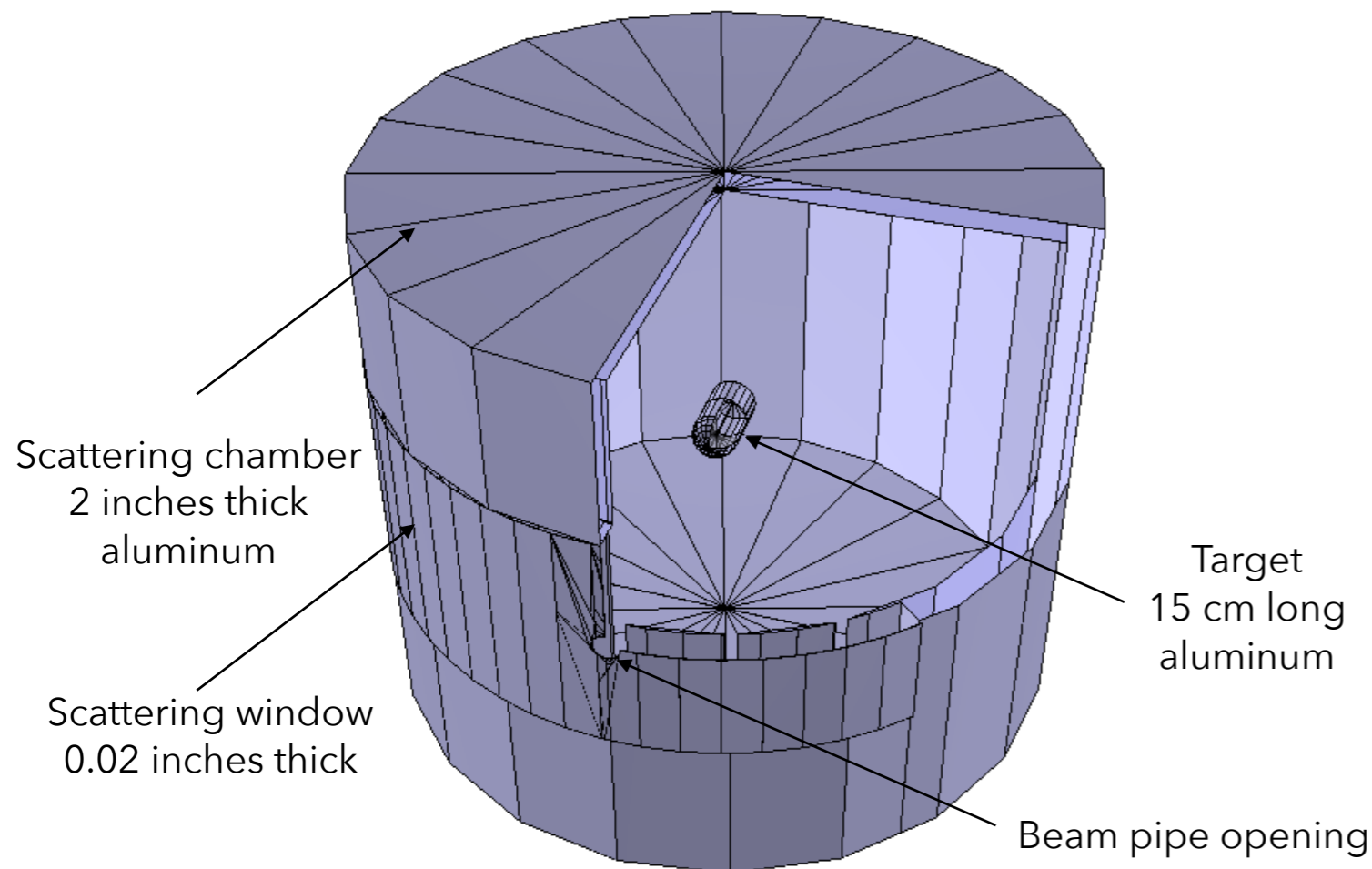


Fig : Geant4 simulation of scattering chamber and target

1. Scattering chamber inner diameter = 41 inches
2. Scattering chamber outer diameter = 45 inches
3. Angular range : horizontal HMS : 3.2 to 77.0 degrees
4. Angular range : SHMS : 3.2 to 47.0 degrees
5. Vertical angular range : ± 17.3 degrees
6. Target thickness of Entrance and exit cap = 0.1778 cm
7. Target cell wall thickness = 0.0254 cm

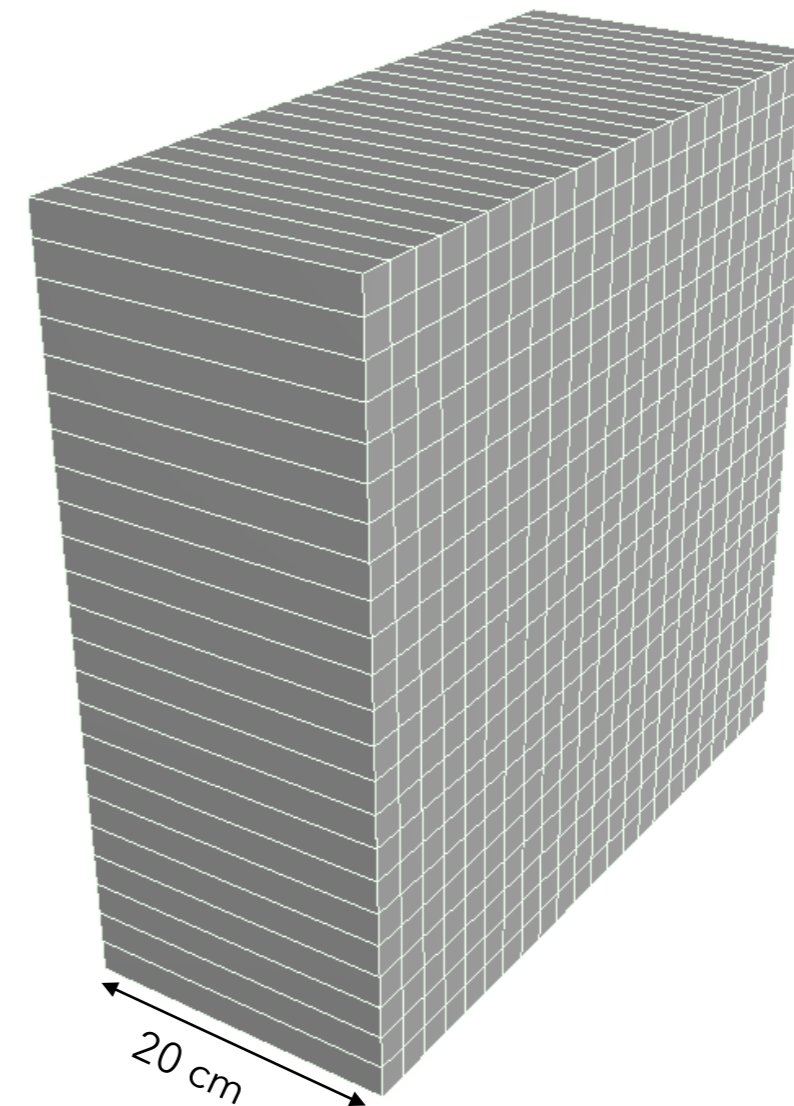


Fig : Geant4 simulation calorimeter

1. e^- , e^+ , P detection and PID
2. Clones of the NPS calorimeter at Hall C
3. $2 \times 2 \times 20$ cm² PBWO₄ scintillator crystal
4. Expected energy resolution $\frac{2.5\%}{\sqrt{E}} + 1\%$
5. Coordinate resolution ~ 3 mm at 1 GeV
6. Fly's eye assembly of 23×23 matrix of total 2116 modules

Magnet : Separate the outgoing particles

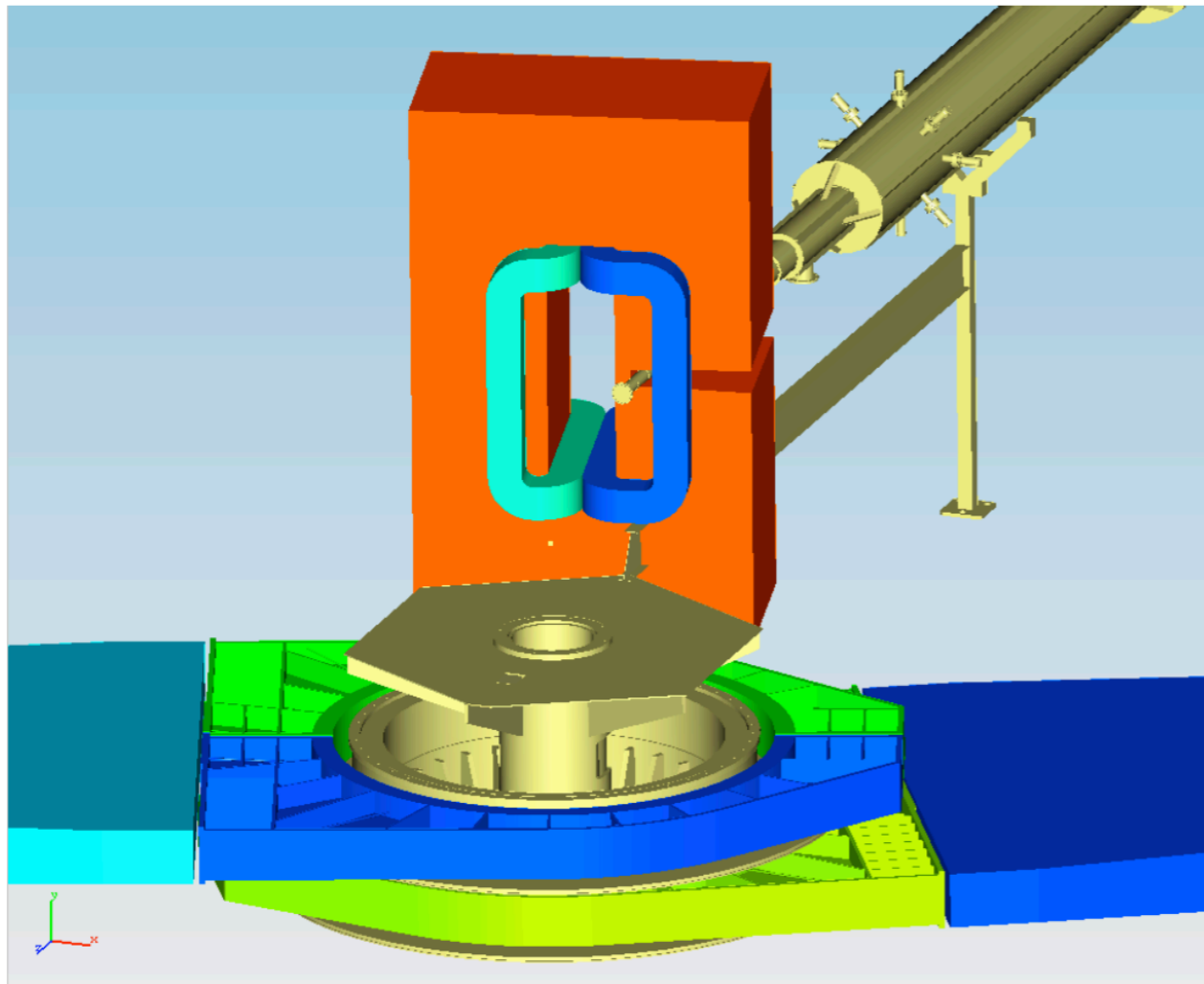


Fig : CAD Drawing for Super Bigbite Magnet

Source : <https://userweb.jlab.org/~bogdanw/SBS-general.pdf>

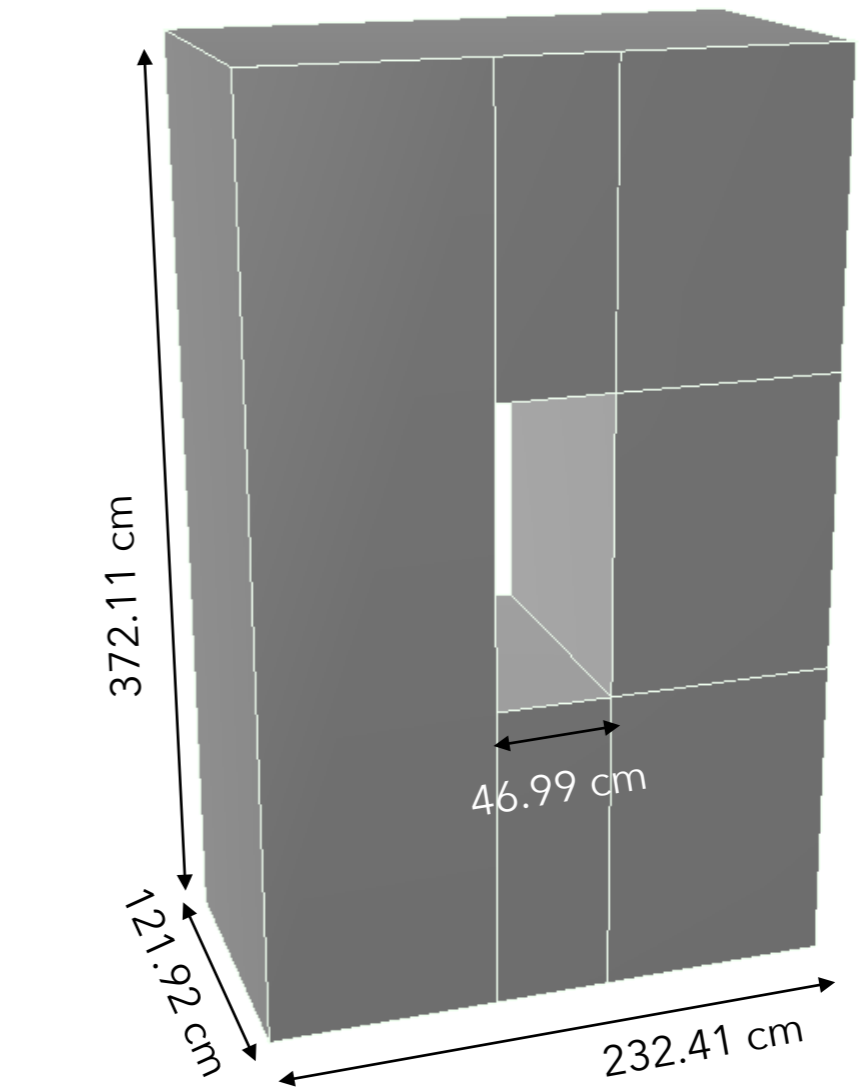
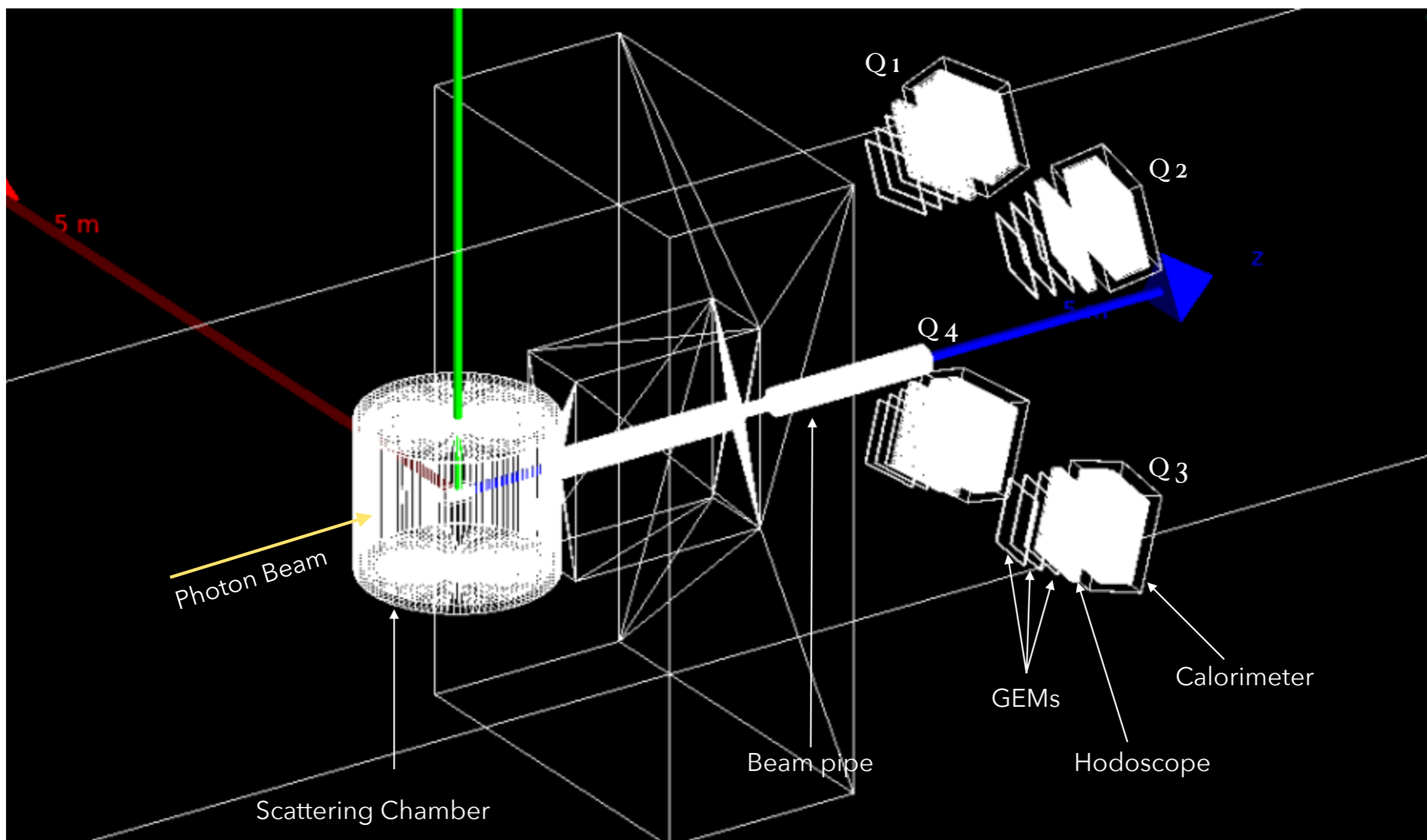


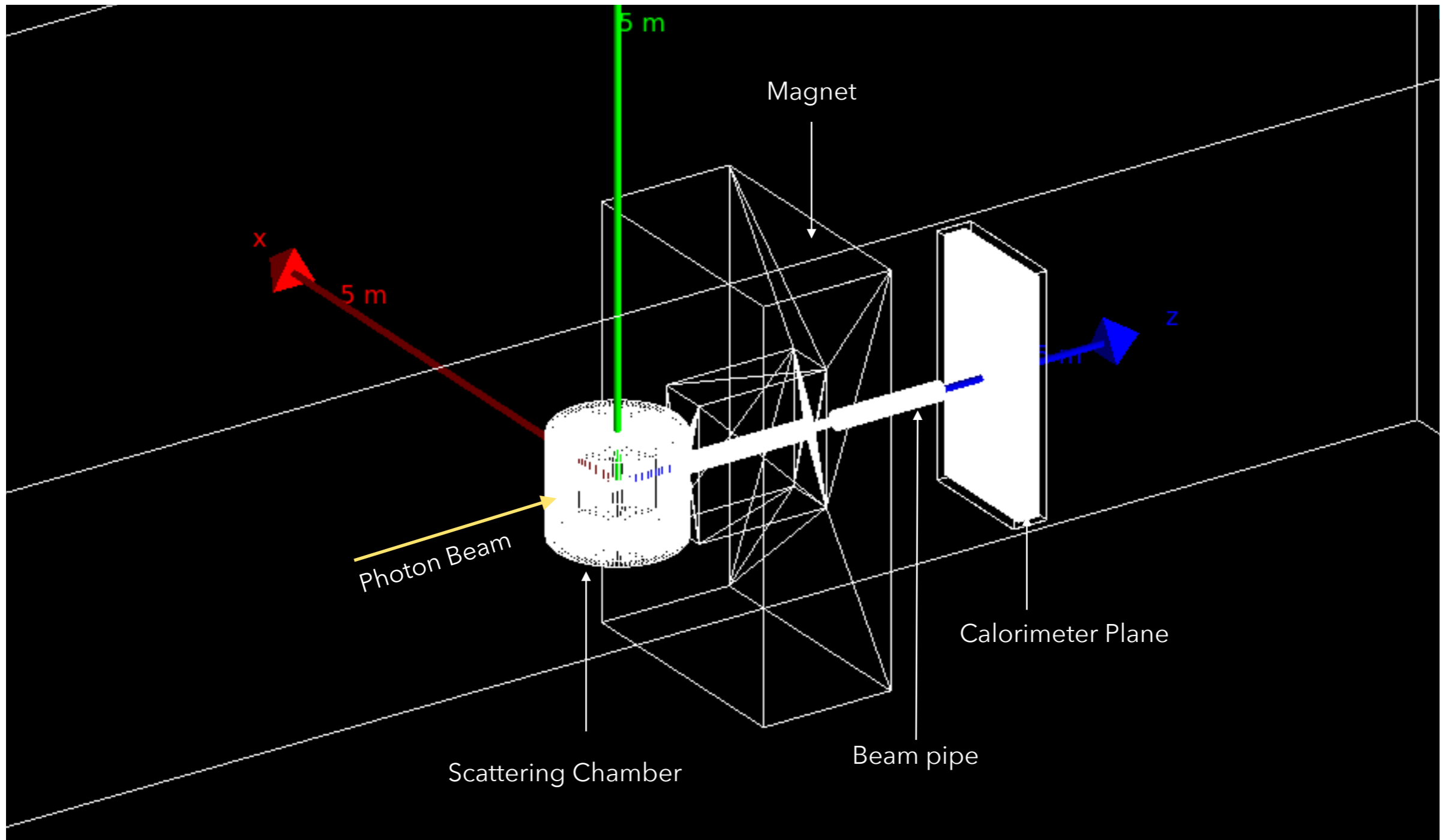
Fig : Geant4 simulation of simple magnet geometry

1. The field integral is 2.4 Tesla-meter with 1.2 m long pole

Unpolarized TCS measurement setup for Hall C

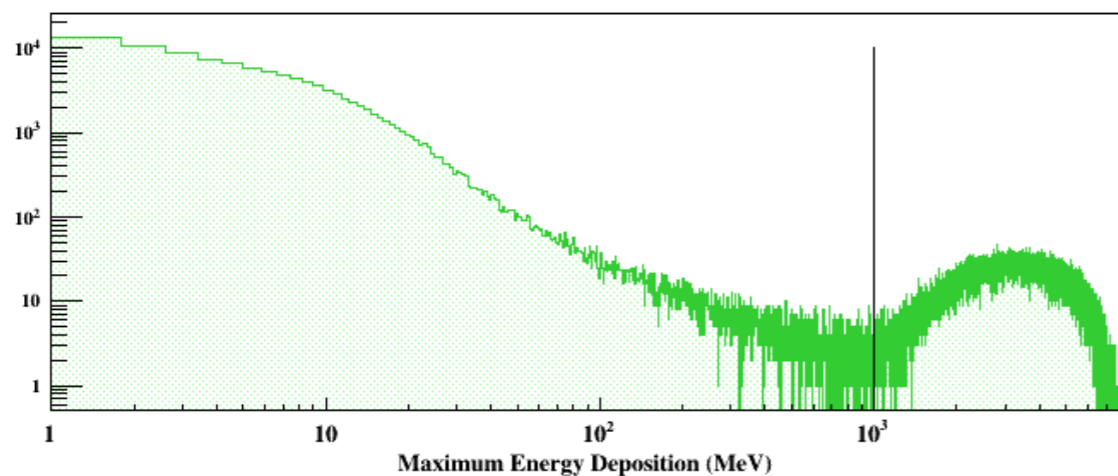


Geant4 Simulation : Simple One Calorimeter Plane Setup

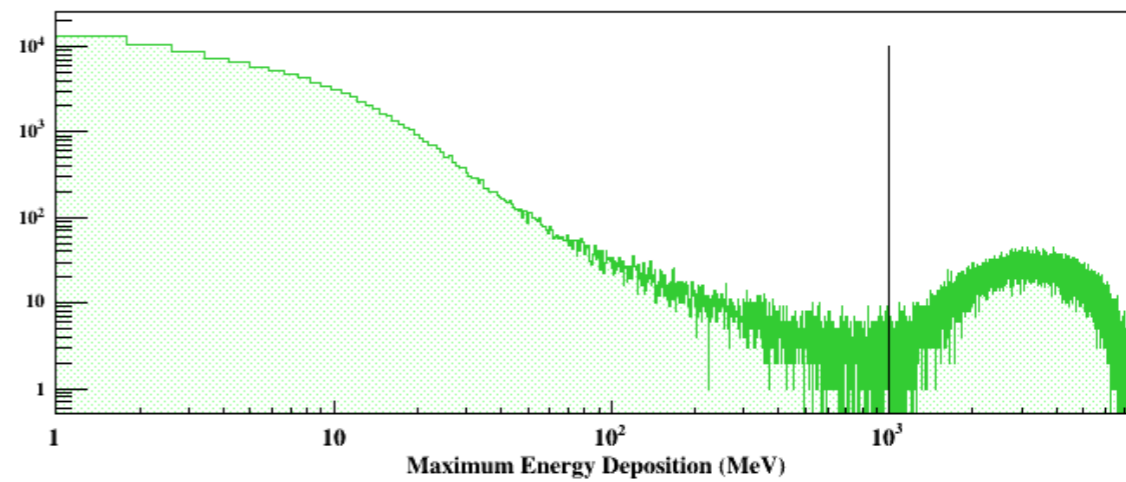


Geant4 Simulation : maximum energy distribution

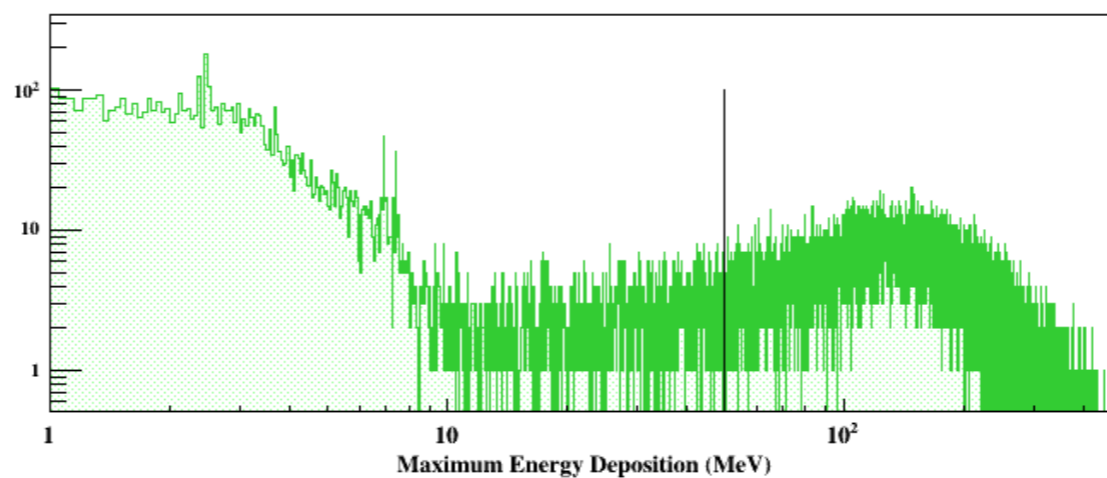
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Positron

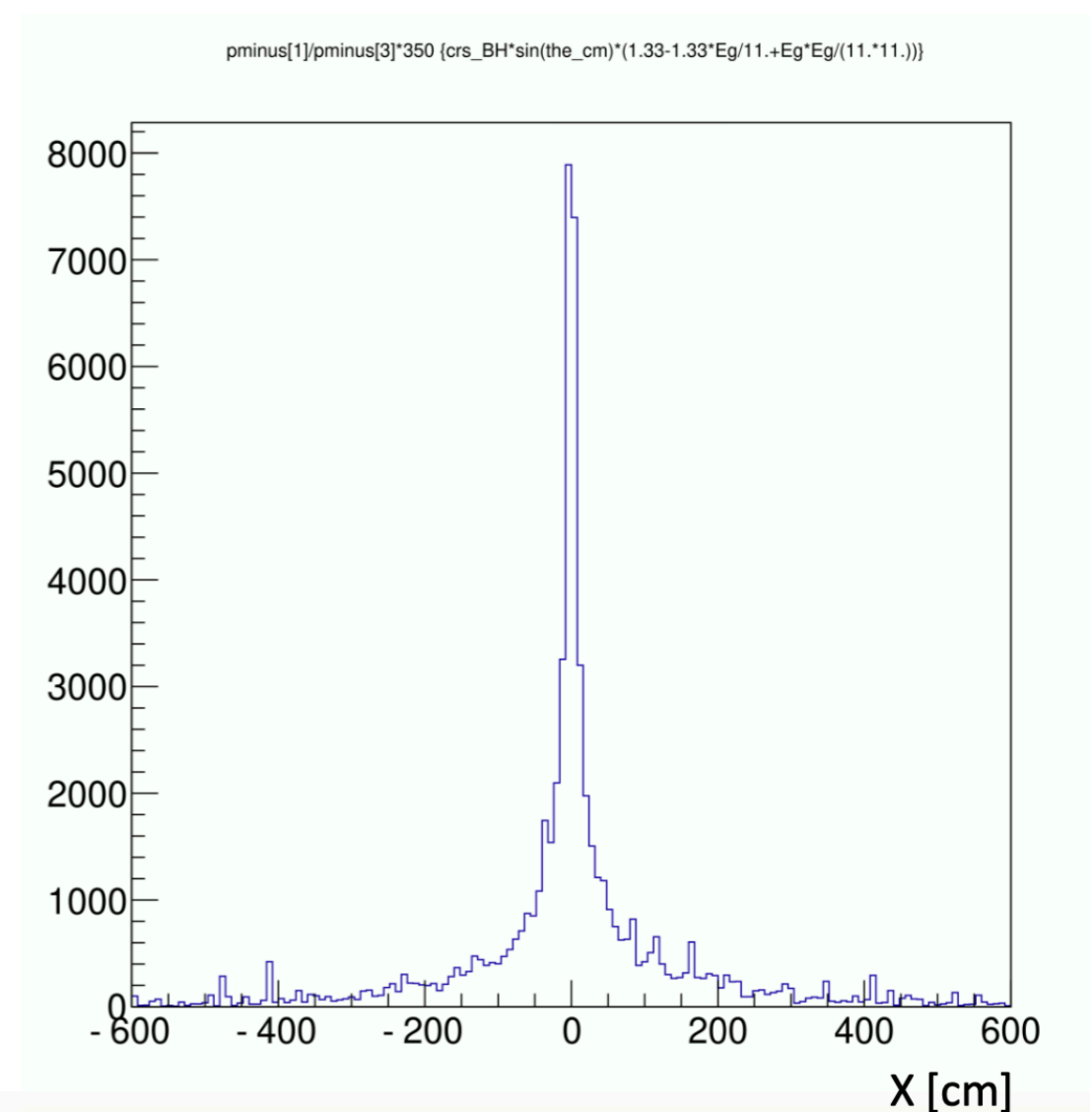
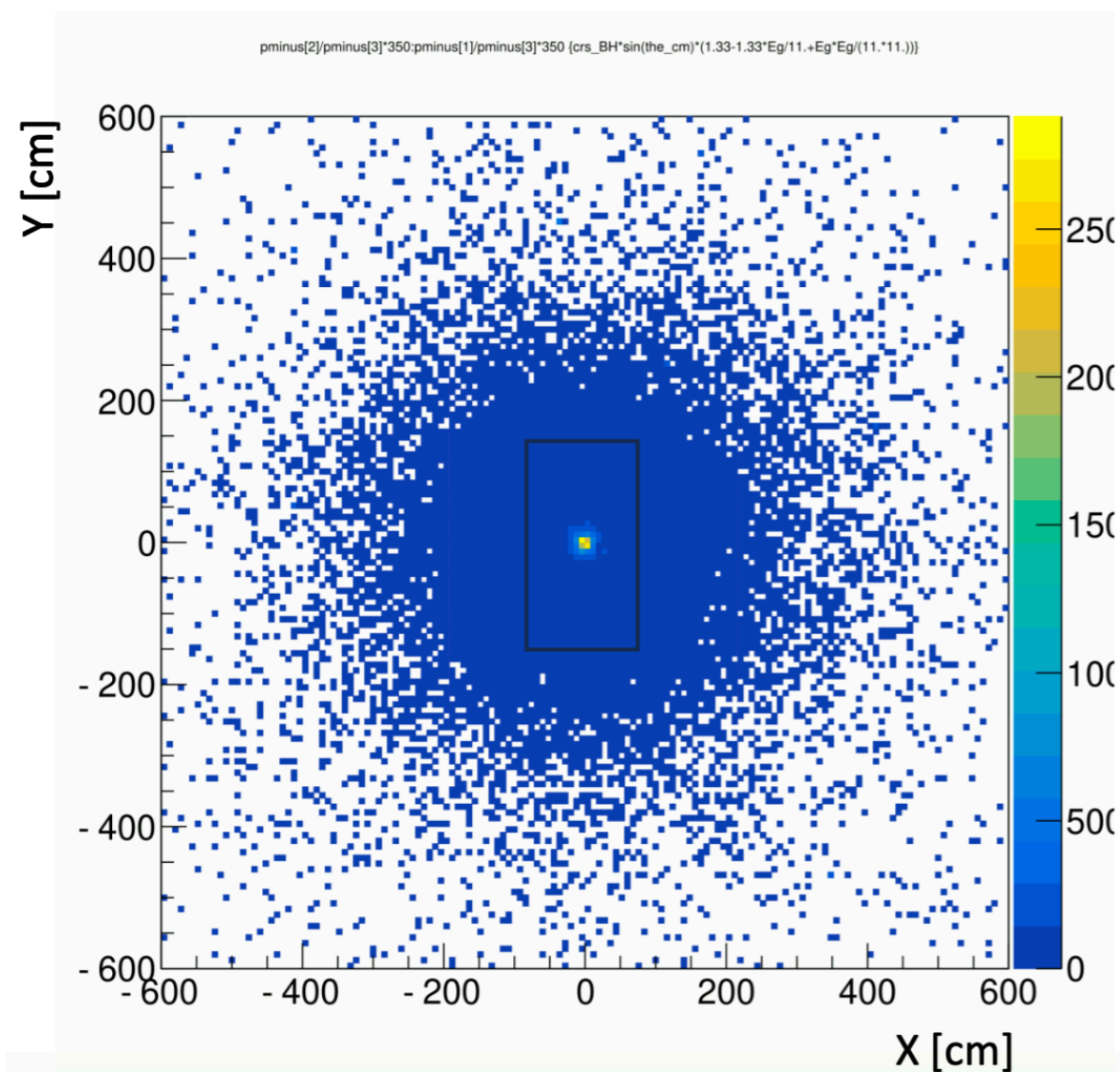


Proton



Geant4 Simulation : projection of electrons w/o magnetic field

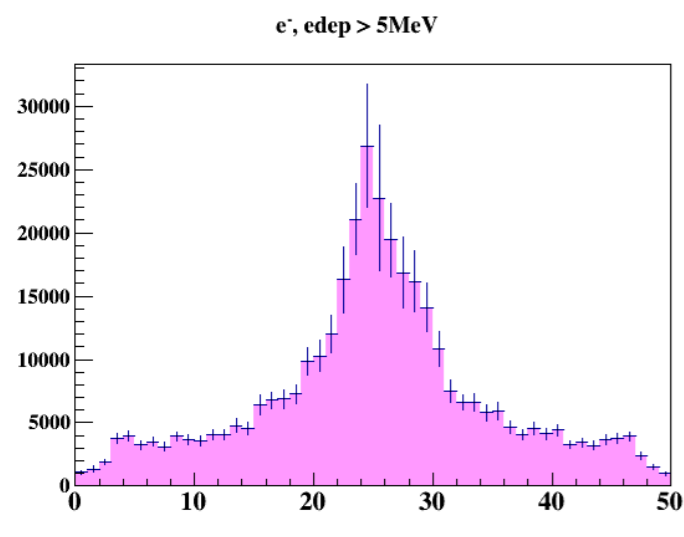
1. TCS weighted events (from DEEPGen event generator) for electrons
2. Projected to $Z = 350$ cm plane (face of the calorimeter)
3. **No magnetic Field**
4. Rectangle at the center of the 2D plot encompasses the events passing through the magnetic bore
5. Expect Similar for positrons



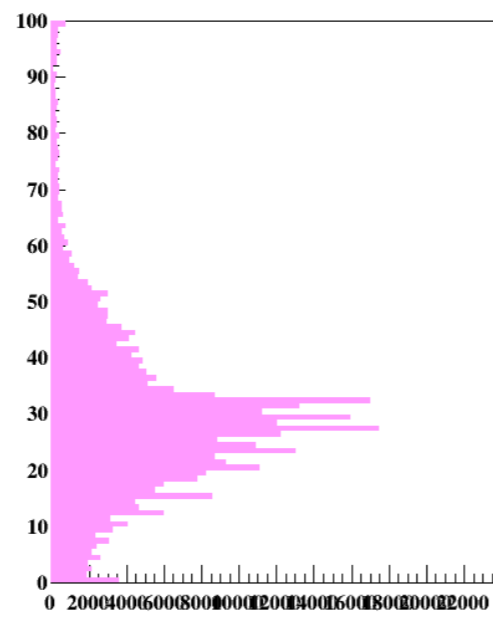
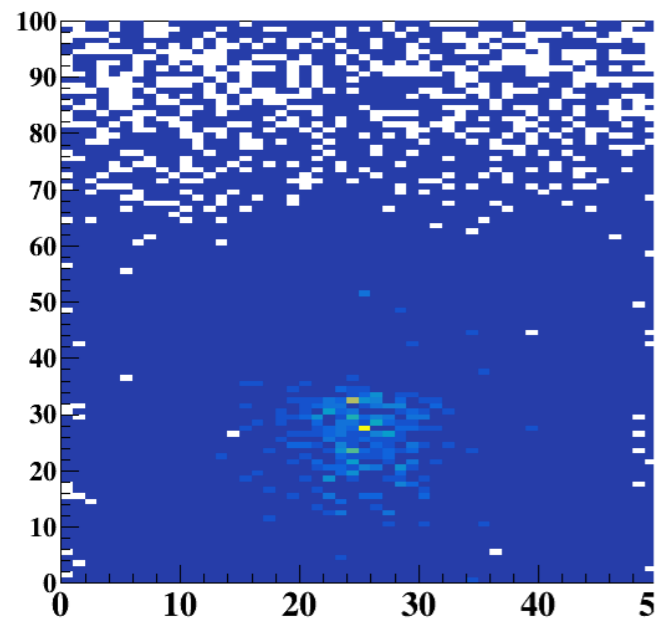
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Geant4 Simulation : charge assignment to leptons

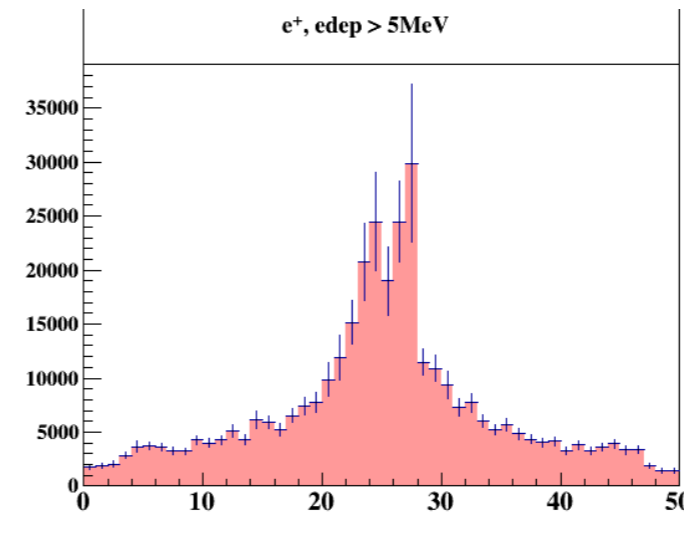
Projection of electron on calorimeter plane



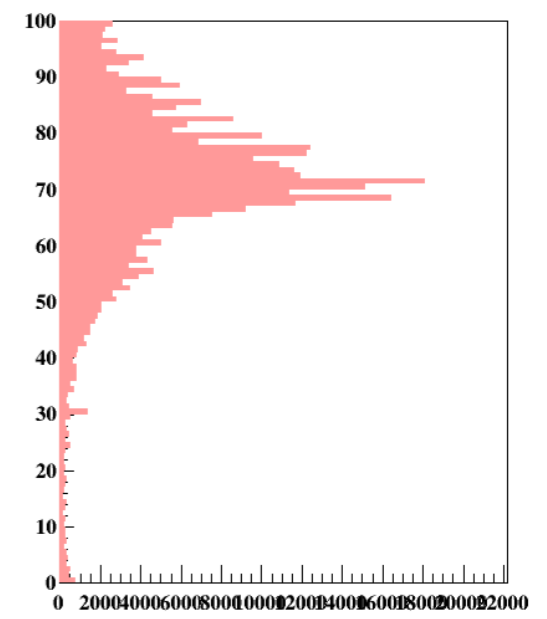
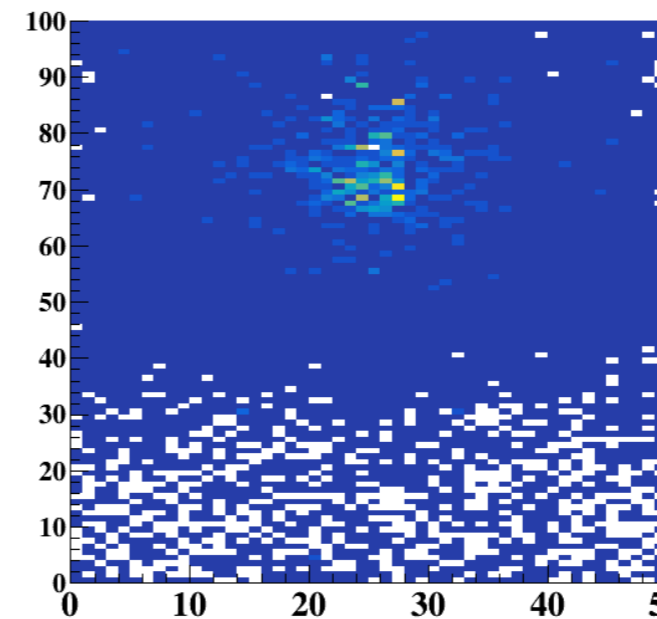
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Projection of positron on calorimeter plane

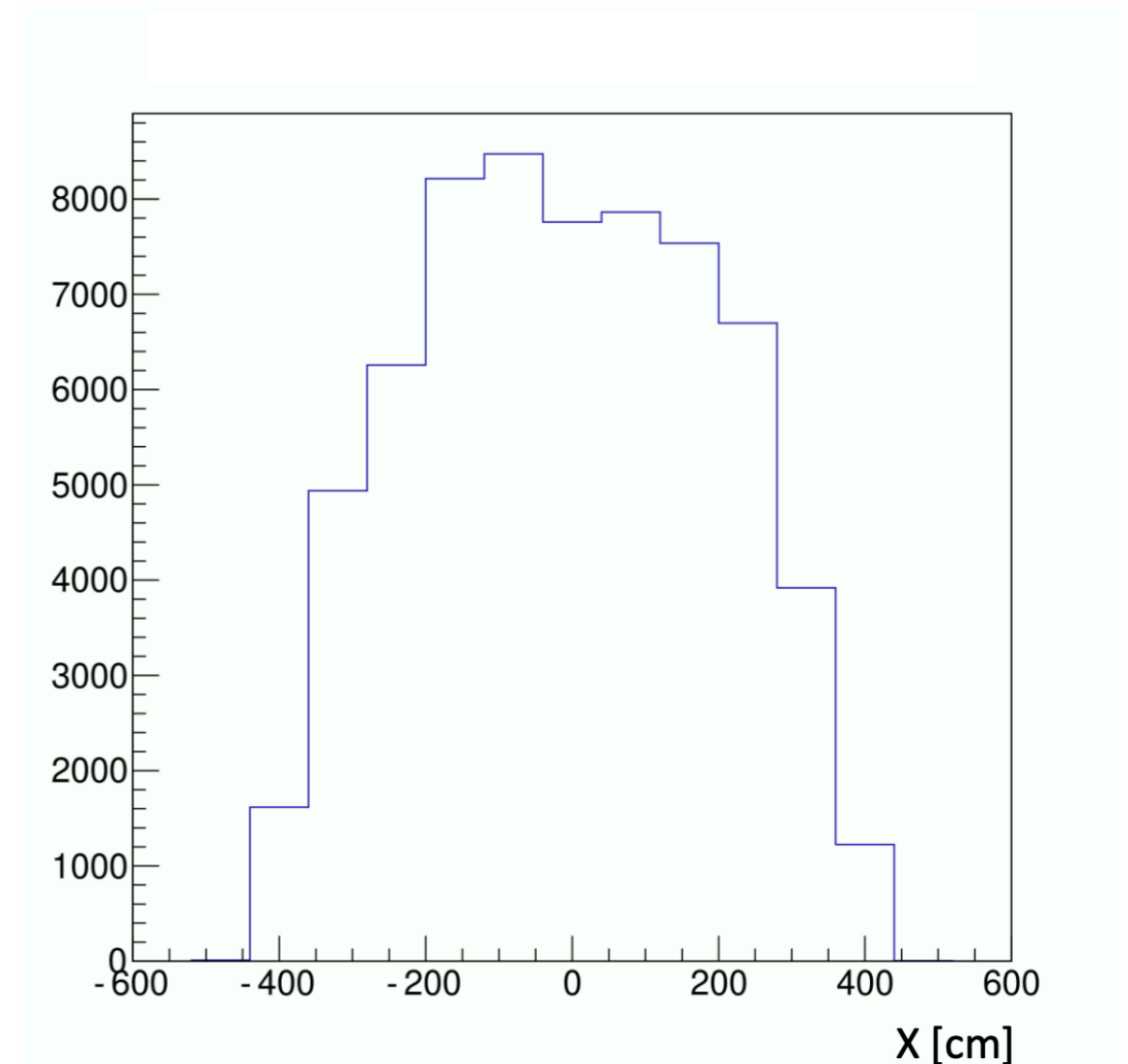
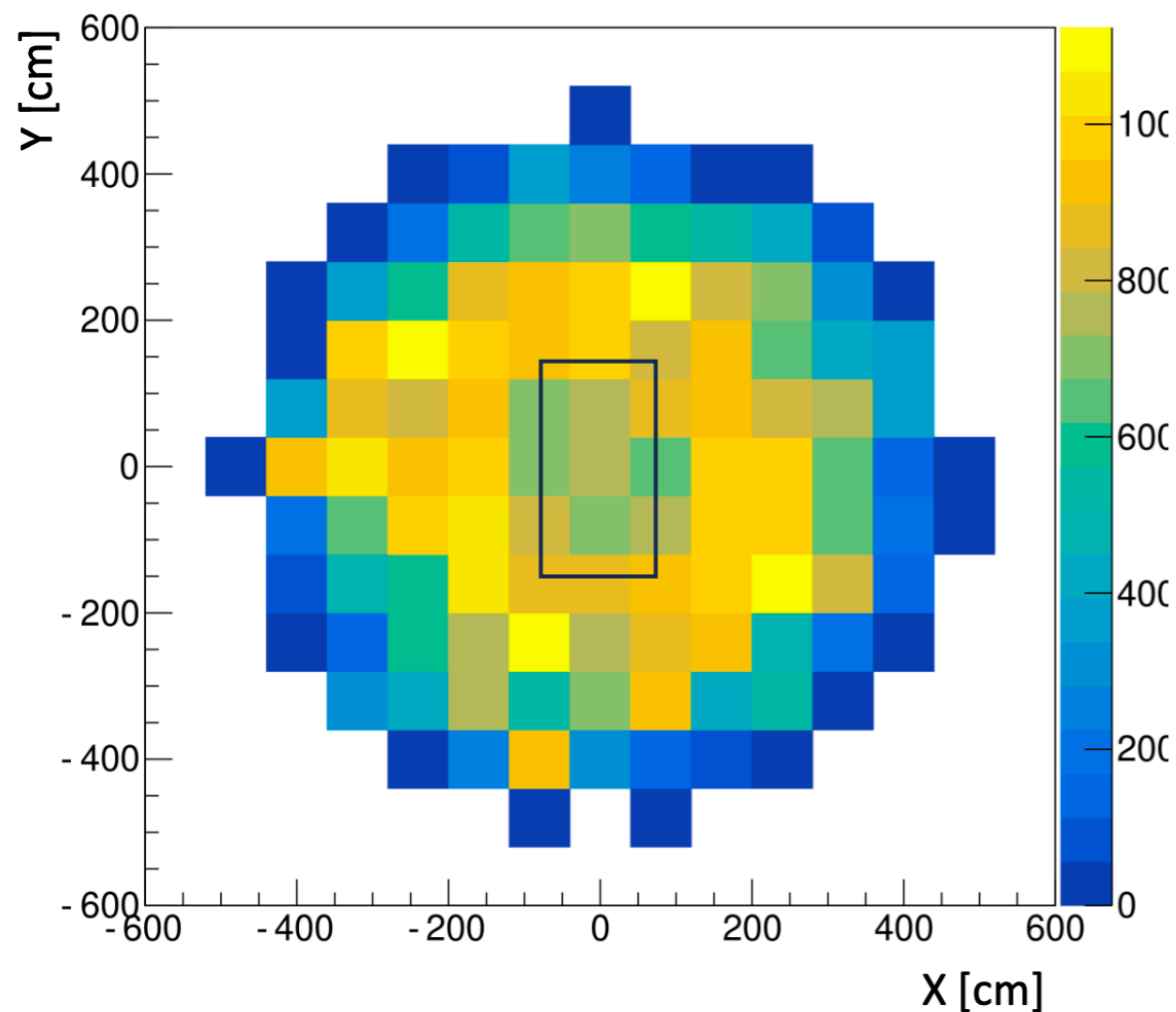


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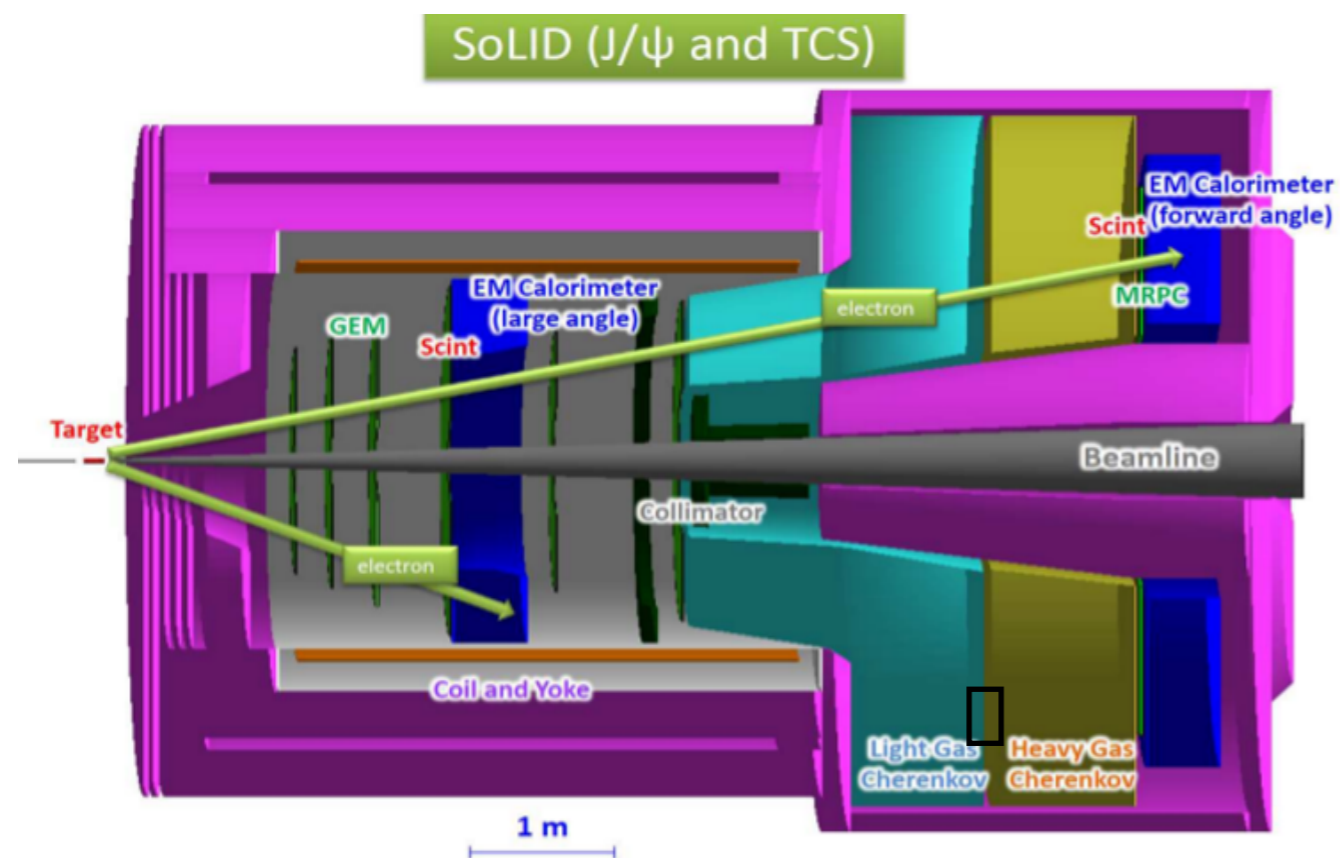
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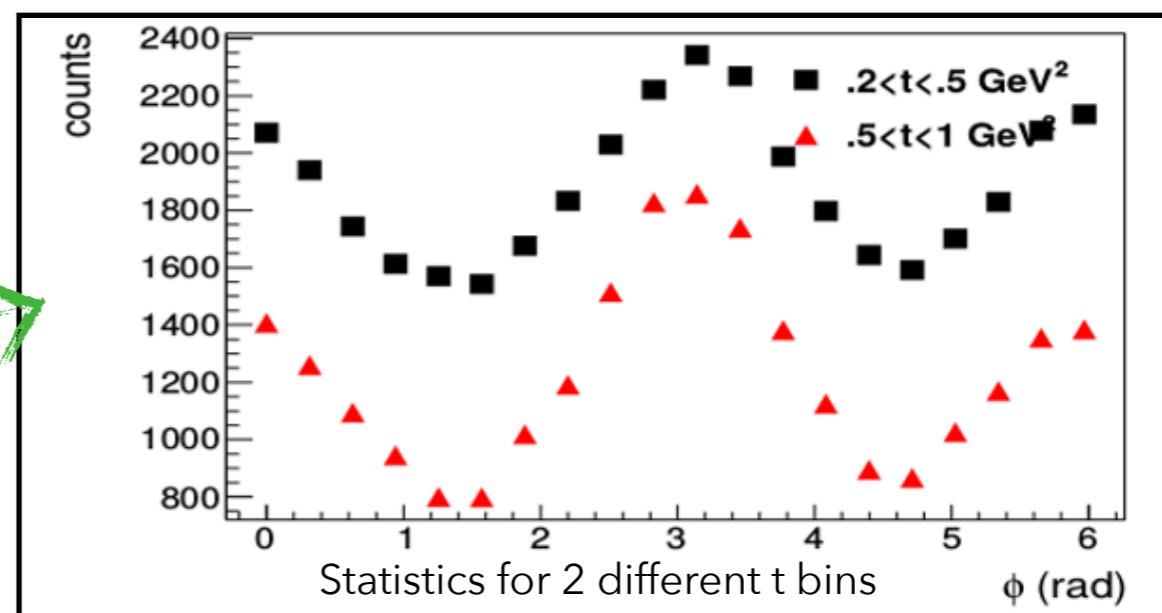
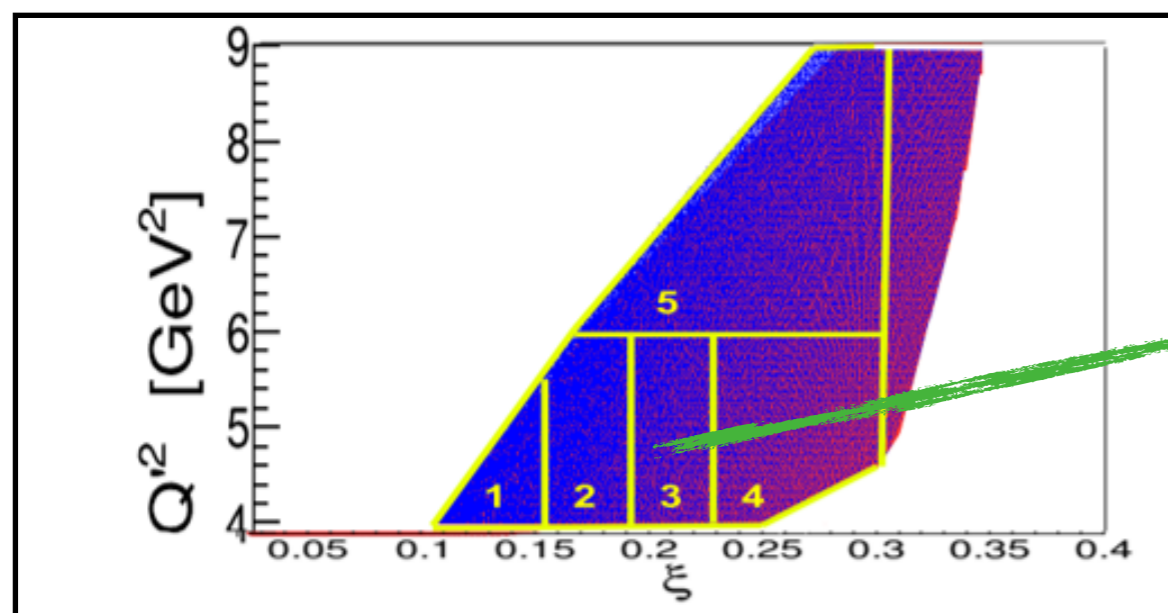


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TCS measurement in Hall A (SoLID)

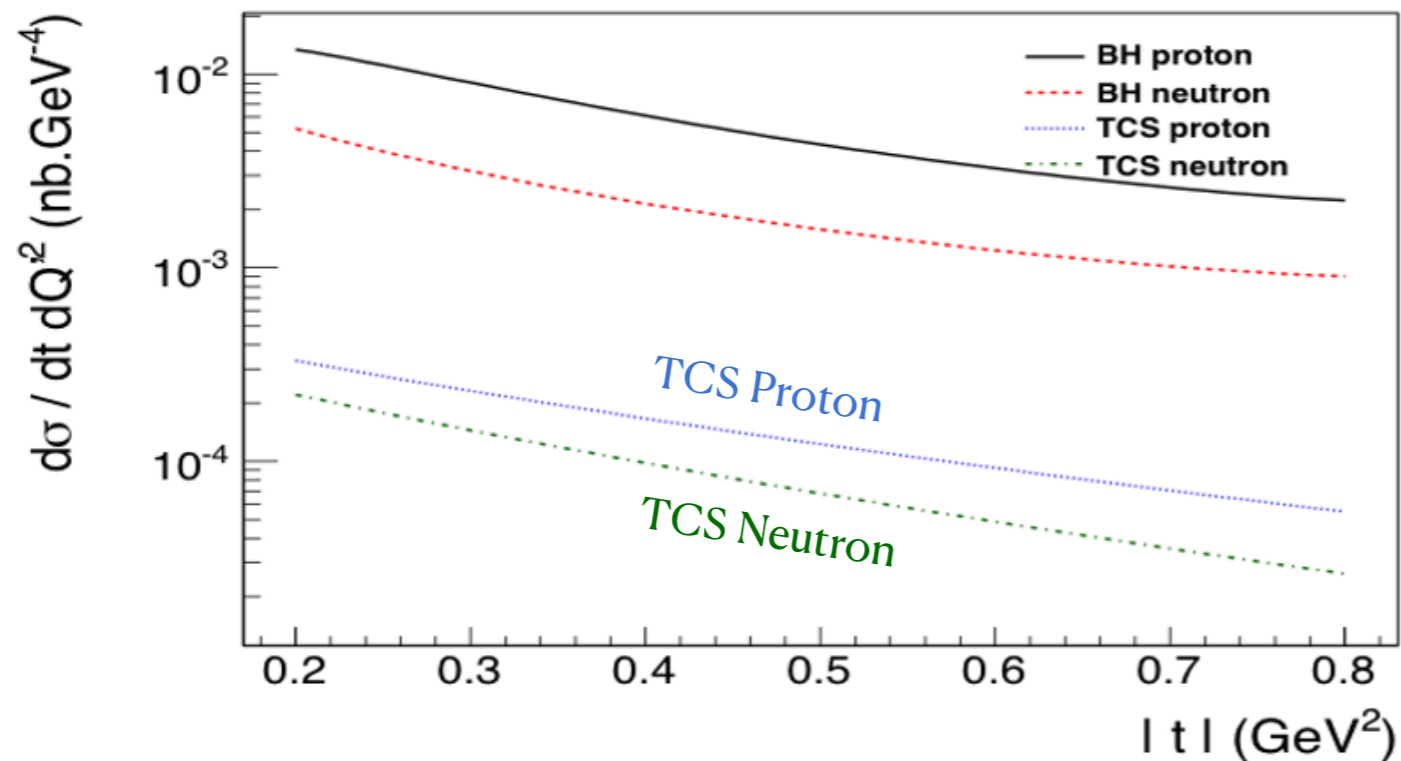


1. Approved unpolarized TCS experiment (unpolarized LH2 target & circularly polarized beam) measurement as a run group proposal (E12-12-006A) along with J/Ψ experiment
2. Quasi real photon beam (real photon beam in hall C)
3. Similar to CLAS12 measurement but with larger statistics and narrower acceptance
 1. Large acceptance compared to hall C and binning in Q^2 enables us to look into GPD evolution
 2. Possible GPD universality study by comparing Extracted from TCS and DVCS
4. This setup has the potential to be used for the polarized (polarized target) measurement also



Possible extension to measure TCS for neutron

Comparison of Proton and Neutron
Unpolarized cross sections vs -t



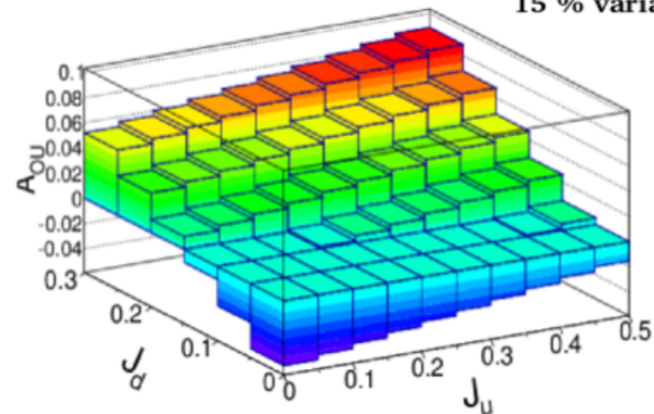
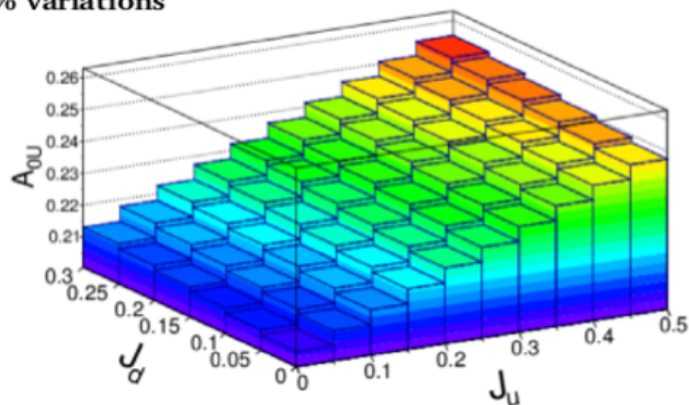
1. Neutron unpolarized cross section is small compared to proton cross section but still not suppressed
2. Sizable Asymmetry
3. But BSA of neutron is very much sensitive to J_u and J_d
4. Similar sensitivity to GPD
5. With Longitudinally polarized target single and double spin asymmetry measurement is possible
6. With linearly polarized beam experiment will be sensitive to $\text{Re}(H)$

BSA : Proton

BSA : neutron

5 % variations

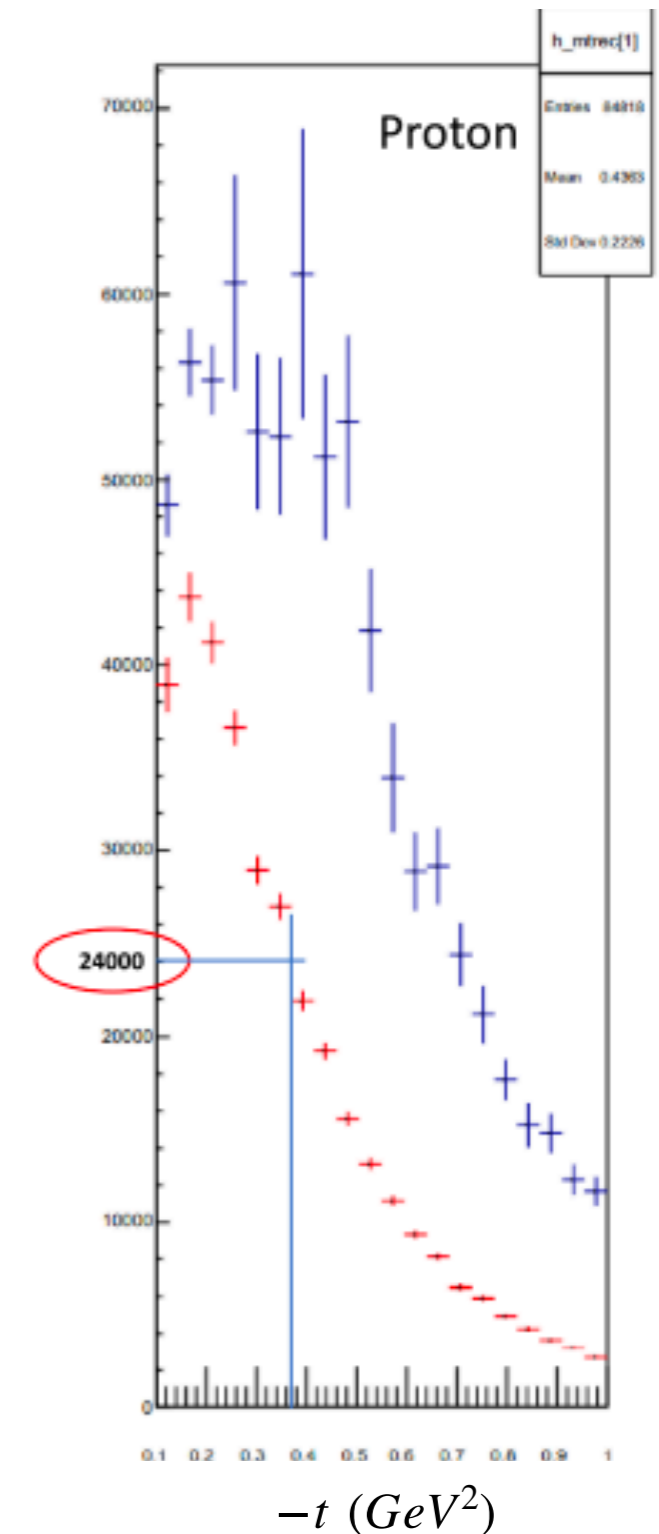
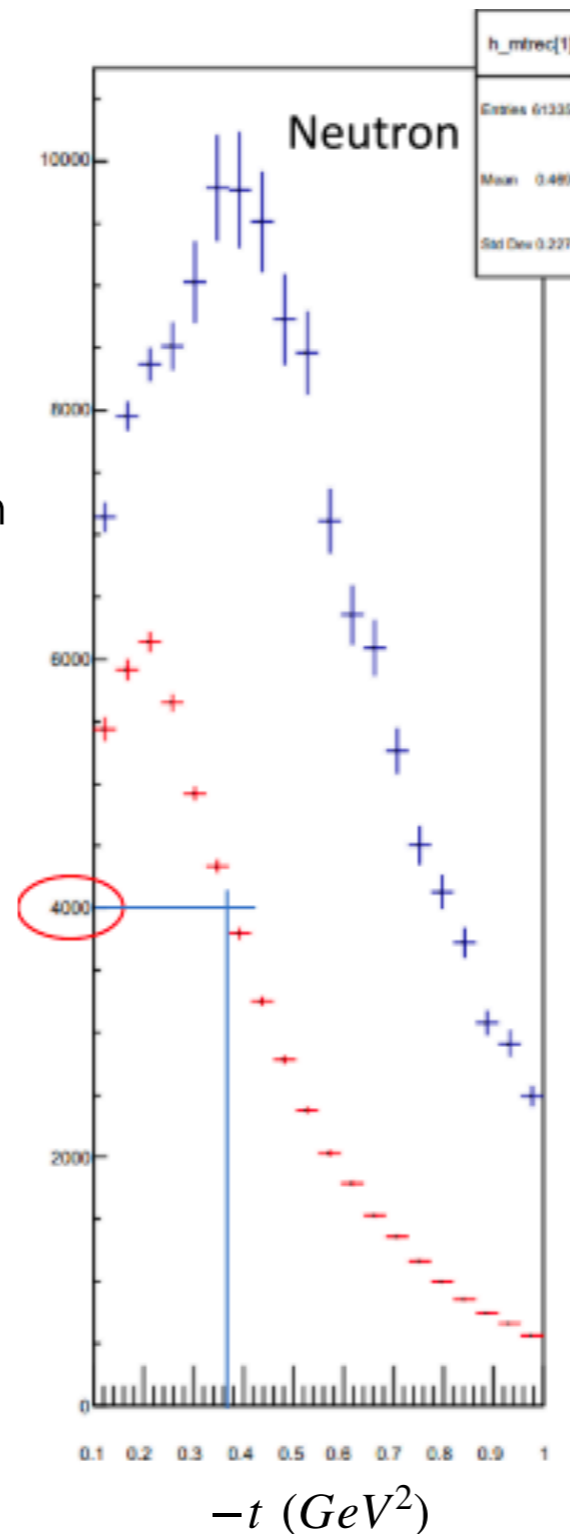
15 % variations



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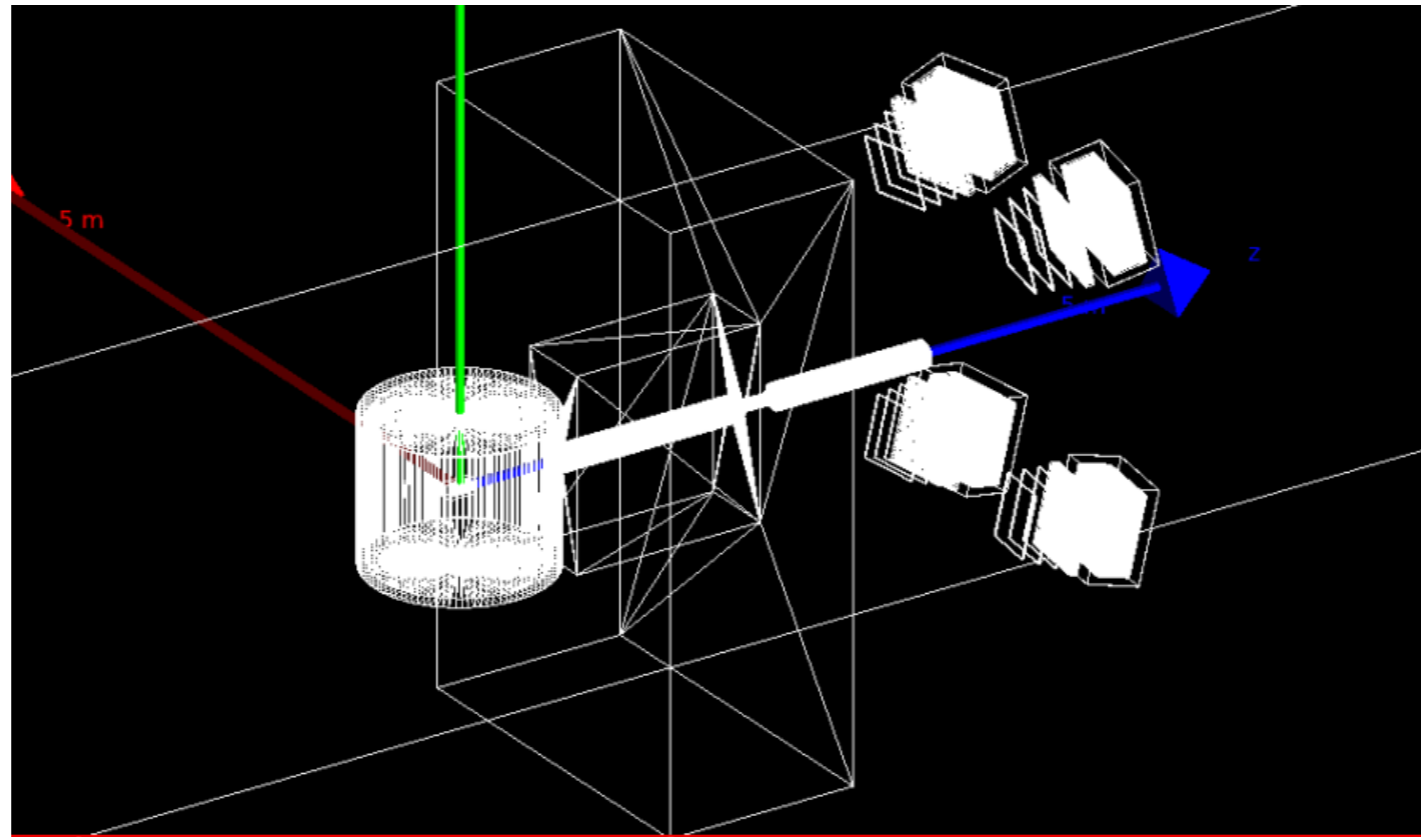
1. Preliminary study to show the feasibility of the measuring TCS for neutron
2. Number of reconstructed TCS events (weighted by cross-section) plotted against $-t$
3. Study before having the full Geant4 simulation
4. In principle it is possible to do the measurement on neutron, provided we have an neutron detector



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Summary

A newly proposed di-lepton spectrometer at Hall C will enable us to measure :
polarized TCS
unpolarized TCS
Also DDVCS (Adding a muon detector)



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