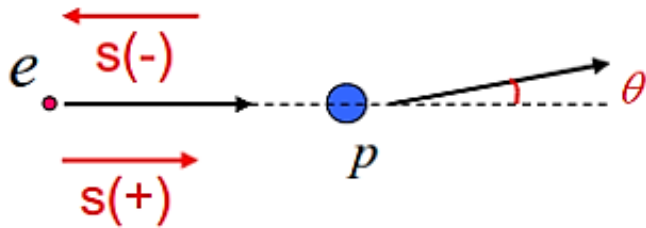
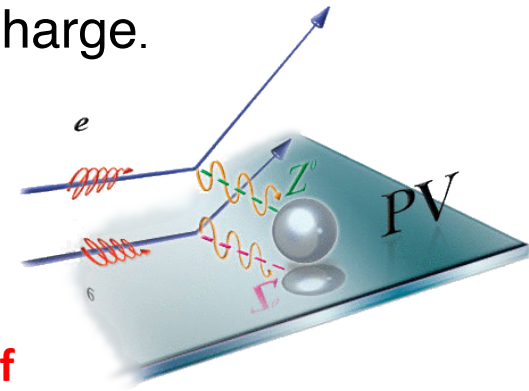


# Early Results from Qweak

A search for parity violating new physics at the TeV scale by measurement of the Proton's weak charge.



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**(Content of this talk includes the work of students, postdocs and collaborators.)**

- Scatter longitudinally polarized electrons from liquid hydrogen
- Flip the electron spin and see how much the scattered fraction changes
- The difference is proportional to the weak charge of the proton
- Hadronic structure effects determined from global PVES measurements.

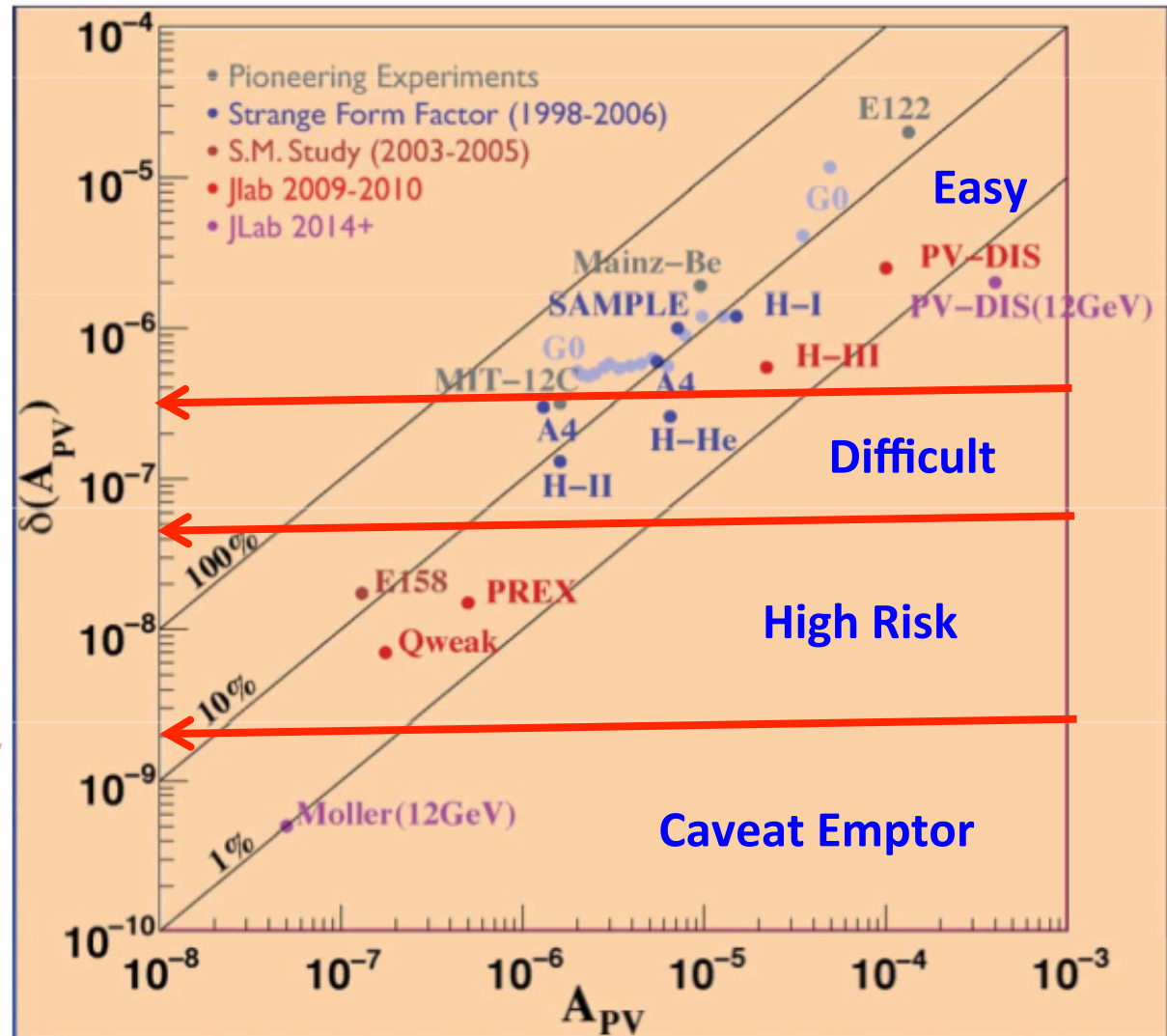
# Precision Tests of the Standard Model

- Standard Model is known to be the effective low-energy theory of a more fundamental underlying structure. (Meaning its not complete!)
- Finding new physics beyond the SM: Two complementary approaches:
  - **Energy Frontier** (direct) : eg. Tevatron (deceased), LHC (dry well so far)
  - **Precision Frontier** (indirect) : *Often at modest or low energy...*
    - $\mu(g-2)$  , EDM,  $\beta\beta$  decay,  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  ,  $\mu A \rightarrow e A$ ,  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$ , *etc.*
    - $\nu$  - oscillations
    - Atomic Parity violation
    - Parity-violating electron scattering

Hallmark of the Precision Frontier: Choose observables that are “precisely predicted” or “suppressed” in Standard Model.

If new physics is “eventually” found in direct measurements, precision measurements also useful to determine e.g. couplings...

# PV Measurements Relative “difficulty factor”



## Statistical Errors:

- Higher beam currents
- Higher polarizations
- High power targets

## Normalization/ systematic errors:

- Polarimetry
- $Q^2$  measurements

**Additive systematic errors:** improved control of helicity correlated beam properties

# Status

- The Qweak experiment finished successfully
  - Precise measurement of  $\vec{e}$ -p analyzing power at low  $Q^2$
  - 2 years in situ,  $\sim 1$  year of beam
  - Commissioning run analyzed:
    - $\sim 4\%$  of total data collected
    - Results presented here:

1<sup>st</sup> “Clean” Determination of  $Q_w(p)$ ,  $C_{1u}$ ,  $C_{1d}$ , &  $Q_w(n)$

- Remainder of experiment still being analyzed
  - Expect final result by end of 2014
  - Expect final result will have  $\sim 5x$  better precision

# Qweak Experiment Objectives

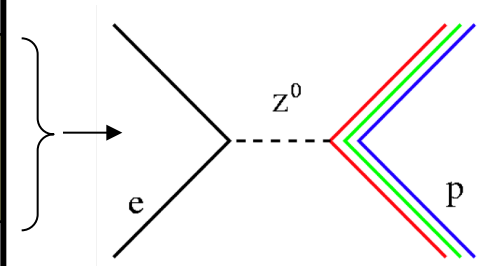
10 years of development + 2 years on floor (~1 year beam time)  
International Collaboration: **23 institutions, 95 Collaborators**  
**(23 grad students, 10 postdocs)**

- Measured parity-violating e-p analyzing power with high precision at  $Q^2 \sim 0.025 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$ . Determine:  $Q_W^p$ ,  $Q_W^n$ ,  $\Lambda/g_{e-p}$ ,  $C_{1u}$ ,  $C_{1d}$ ,  $\sin^2 \theta_W$   
Ancillary / Calibration Measurements: (Will be published as standalone results.)
  - Parity-violating and conserving e-C and e-Al analyzing powers.
  - Parity-allowed analyzing power with transverse-polarized beam on H and Al.
  - Parity-violating and allowed analyzing powers on H in the  $N \rightarrow \Delta(1232)$  region.
  - PV asymmetries in pion photo-production.
  - Transverse asymmetries in pion photo-production.
  - Non-resonant inelastic measurement at 3.3 GeV to constrain  $\gamma$ -Z Box uncertainty.
  - Transverse asymmetry in the PV inelastic scattering region (3.3 GeV).

# Weak Charges

Govern strength of neutral current interaction with fermion

Particle \ Charge	Electric	Weak (vector)
u	+2/3	$-2 C_{1u} = +1 - 8/3 \sin^2\theta_W$
d	-1/3	$-2 C_{1d} = -1 + 4/3 \sin^2\theta_W$
<i>Proton</i> uud	+1	$Q_W^p = 1 - 4 \sin^2\theta_W \approx 0.07$
<i>Neutron</i> udd	0	$Q_W^n = -1$



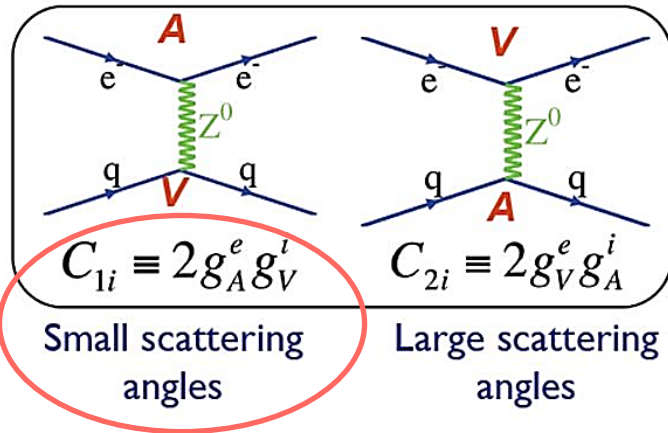
Note “accidental” suppression of  $Q_W^p \rightarrow$  *sensitivity to new physics*

- $Q_{\text{weak}}^p$  is a well-defined experimental observable.
- $Q_{\text{weak}}^p$  has a definite prediction in the electroweak Standard Model.
- $Q_{\text{weak}}^e$ : electron’s weak charge was measured in PV Møller scattering (E158).

# The Weak Charges

$Q_w(p)$  is the neutral-weak analog of the proton's electric charge

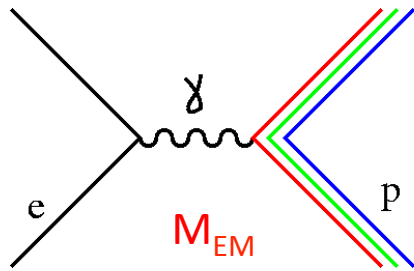
The Standard Model makes a firm prediction of  $Q_w^p$



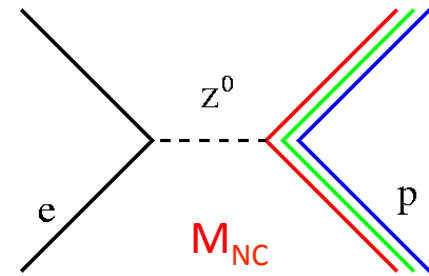
**Q-weak is particularly sensitive to the quark vector couplings  $C_{1u}$  &  $C_{1d}$**

- **General:  $Q_w(Z, N) = -2\{C_{1u}(2Z+N) + C_{1d}(Z+2N)\}$** 
  - Ex:  $Q_w(p) = -2(2C_{1u} + C_{1d})$     (this experiment)
    - Uses higher  $Q^2$  PVES data to constrain hadronic corrections (about 20%)
  - Ex:  $Q_w(^{133}\text{Cs}) = -2(188C_{1u} + 211C_{1d})$     (APV)
    - Latest atomic corrections from PRL 109, 203003 (2012)
- **Combining  $Q_w(p)$  and  $Q_w(^{133}\text{Cs}) \rightarrow C_{1u}$  &  $C_{1d}$ ,  $Q_w(n)$**

# $Q^p_{\text{Weak}}$ : Extract from Parity-Violating Electron Scattering



As  $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$



measures  $Q^p$  – proton's electric charge

measures  $Q^p_{\text{Weak}}$  – proton's weak charge

$$A = \frac{2M_{NC}}{M_{EM}} = \left[ \frac{-G_F}{4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \right] \left[ Q^2 Q^p_{\text{weak}} + F^p(Q^2, \theta) \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow[\theta \rightarrow 0]{Q^2 \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{-G_F}{4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \right] \left[ Q^2 Q^p_{\text{weak}} + Q^4 B(Q^2) \right]$$

$$Q^p_{\text{weak}} = 1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W \sim 0.072 \quad (\text{at tree level})$$

↻ contains  $G^Y_{E,M}$  and  $G^Z_{E,M}$

Correction involving hadronic form factors.  
Exp determined using global analysis of recently completed PVES experiments.

The **lower** the momentum transfer,  $Q$ , the more the proton looks like a point and the less important are the form factor corrections.



# PVES and Hadronic Structure Effects

$$A^{PV} = \frac{\sigma_R - \sigma_L}{\sigma_R + \sigma_L} = \left[ \frac{-G_F Q^2}{\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \right] \frac{\varepsilon G_E^{p\gamma} G_E^{pZ} + \tau G_M^{p\gamma} G_M^{pZ} - \frac{1}{2}(1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W)\varepsilon' G_M^{p\gamma} \tilde{G}_A^p}{\varepsilon (G_E^{p\gamma})^2 + \tau (G_M^{p\gamma})^2}$$

Neutral-weak form factors

Axial form factor

assume charge symmetry:

$$4G_{E,M}^{pZ} = \underbrace{(1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W)G_{E,M}^{p\gamma}}_{\text{Proton weak charge (tree level)}} - G_{E,M}^{n\gamma} - \underbrace{G_{E,M}^s}_{\text{Strangeness}}$$

Proton weak charge  
(tree level)

Strangeness  
(Now measured to be relatively small!)

Note: Parity-violating asymmetry is sensitive to **both** weak charges *and* to hadron structure.

# Qweak Apparatus

## Parameters:

$$E_{\text{beam}} = 1.165 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\langle Q^2 \rangle = 0.025 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$\langle \theta \rangle = 7.9^\circ \pm 3^\circ$$

$$\phi \text{ coverage} = 50\% \text{ of } 2\pi$$

$$I_{\text{beam}} = 180 \mu\text{A}$$

$$\text{Integrated rate} = 6.4 \text{ GHz}$$

$$\text{Beam Polarization} = 88\%$$

$$\text{Target} = 35 \text{ cm LH}_2$$

$$\text{Cryopower} = 3 \text{ kW}$$

Horizontal  
Drift Chambers

Quartz Cerenkov Bars

Electron beam

LH<sub>2</sub> Target

Collimators

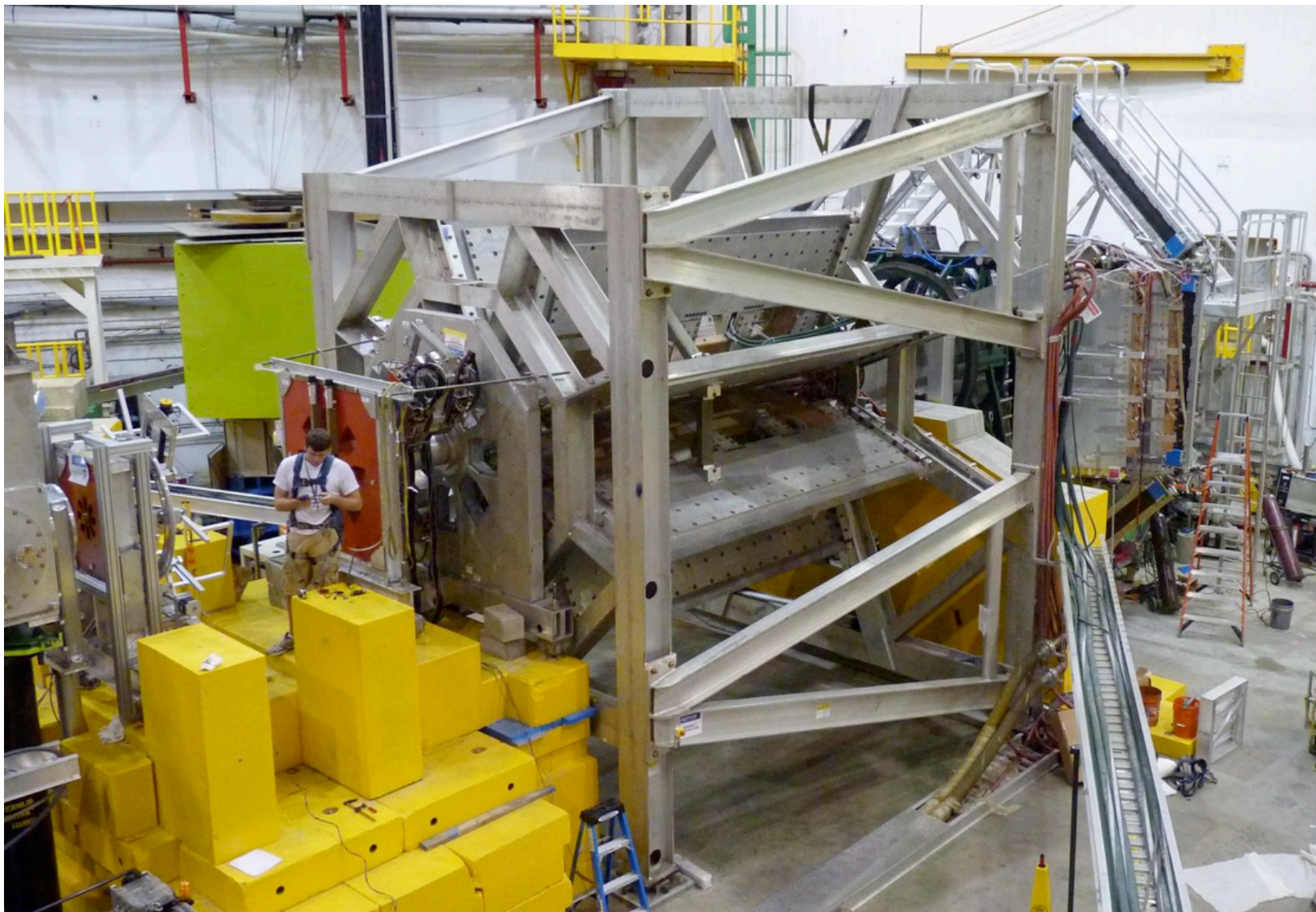
Trigger Scintillator

Vertical Drift Chambers

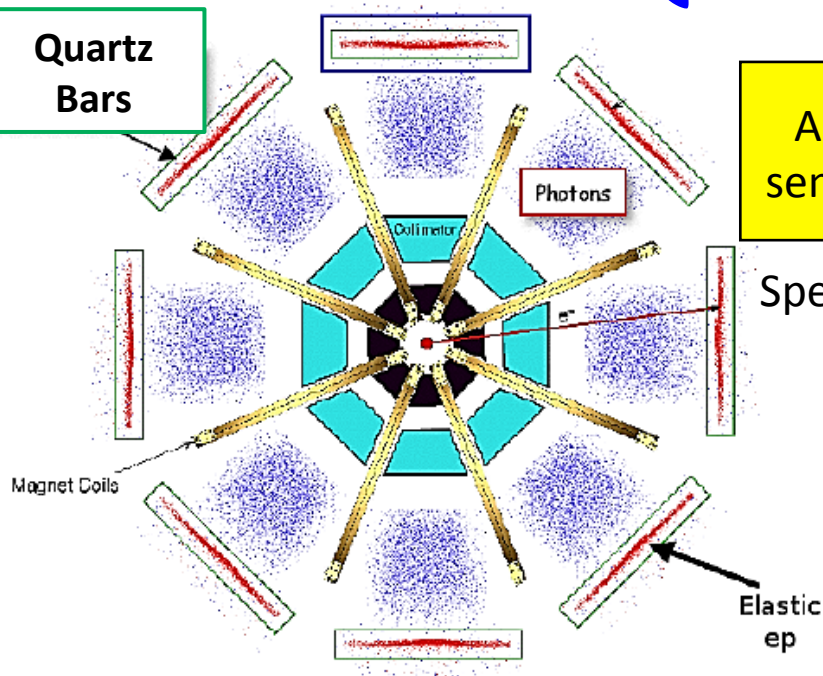
Toroidal Magnet  
Spectrometer

Red = low-current tracking mode only

# The Apparatus (before shielding)



# Quartz Cerenkov Detectors

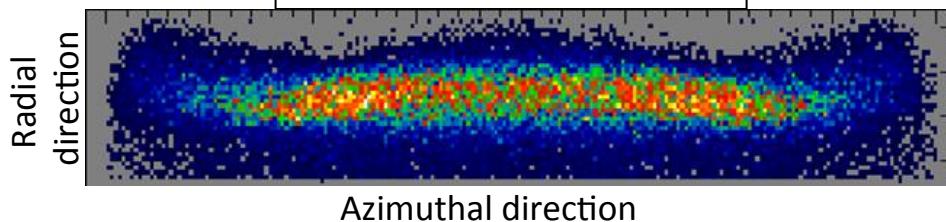


Azimuthal symmetry maximizes rate and decreases sensitivity to HC beam motion, transverse asymmetry.

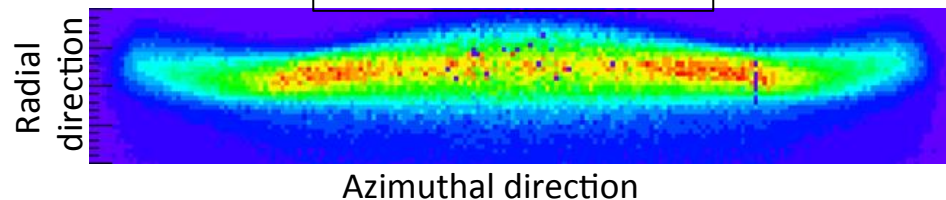
Spectrosil 2000: Eight bars, each 2 m long, 1.25 cm thick

- Rad-hard
- Non-scintillating, low-luminescence

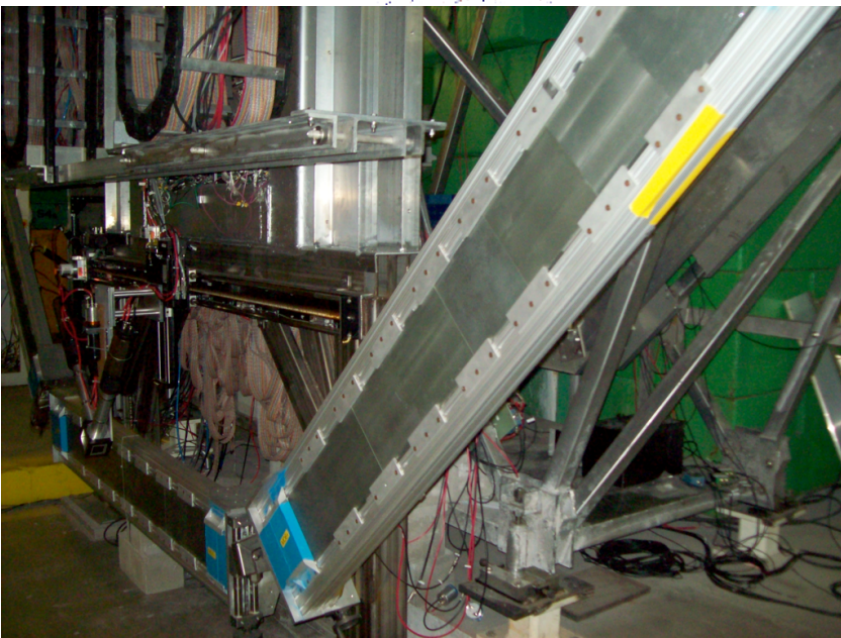
Simulation of MD face:



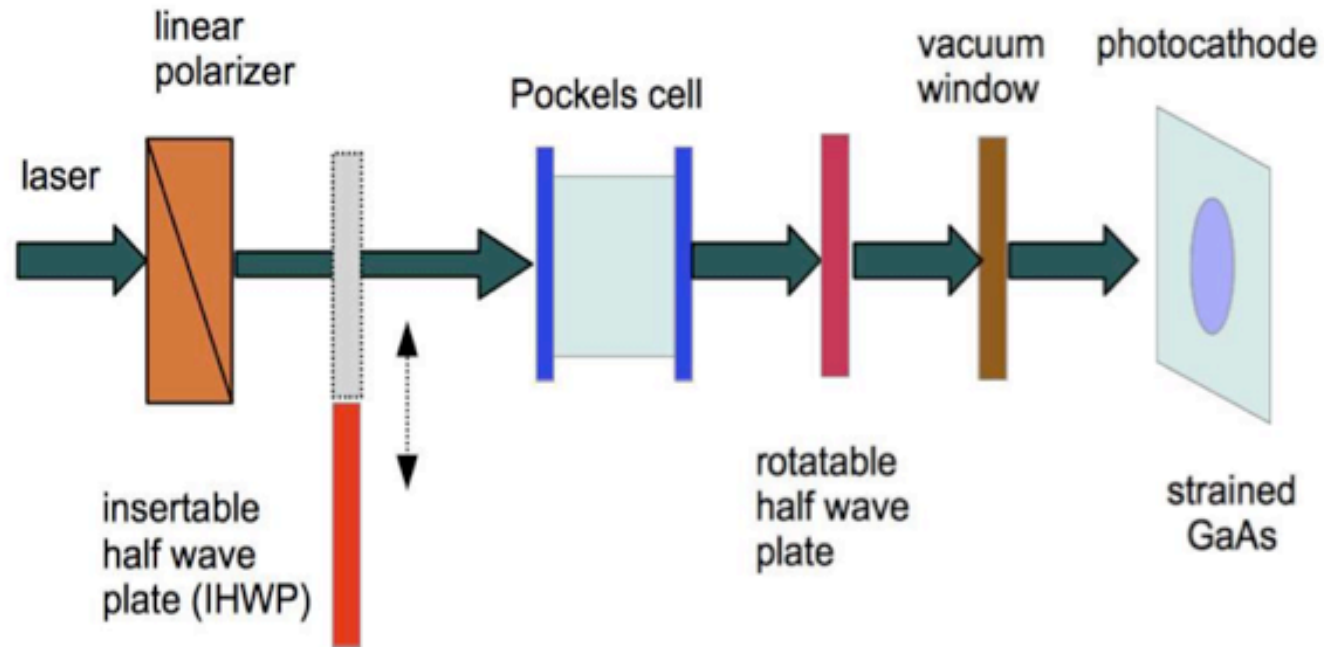
Measured



Yield 100 pe's/track with 2cm Pb pre-radiators  
Resolution limited by shower fluctuations.



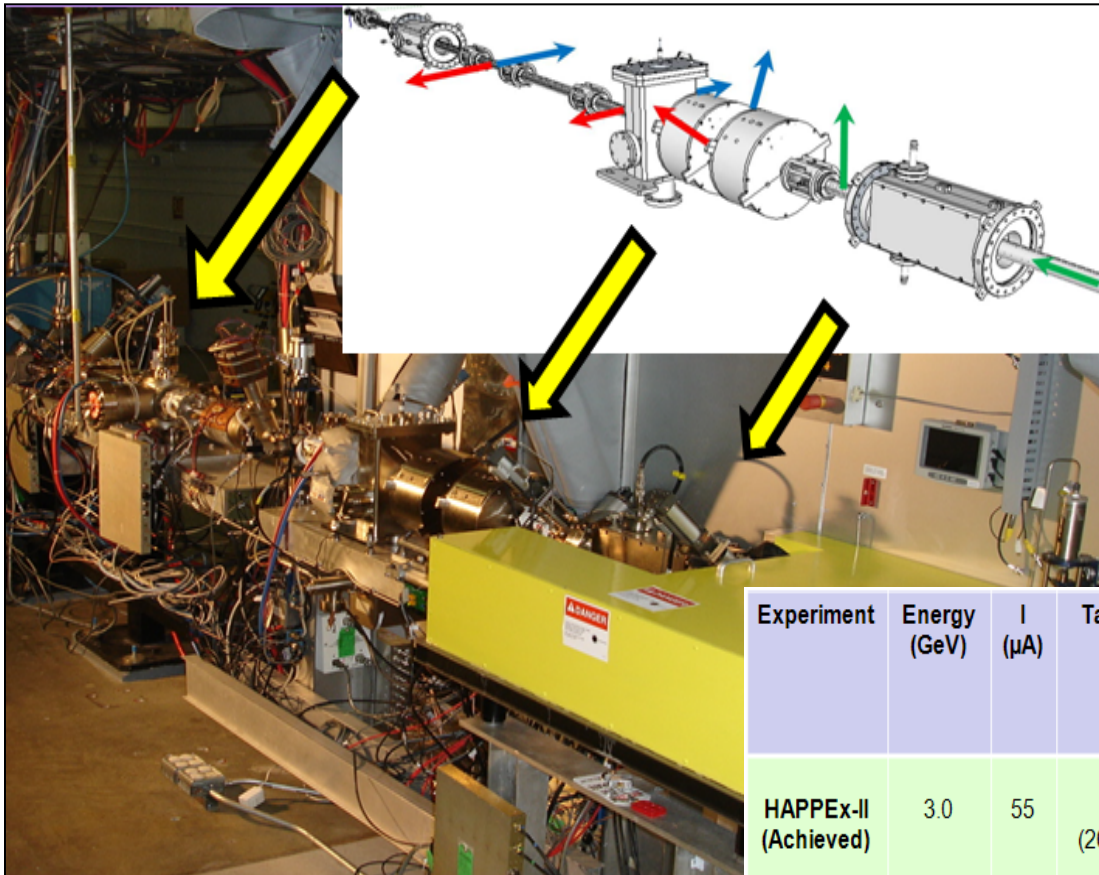
# Polarized Injector



- **Pockels cell** for fast helicity reversal
- **Helicity reversal frequency**: 960 Hz (to “freeze” bubble motion in the target)
- **Helicity pattern**: pseudo-random “quartets” (+---+ or -++-, asymmetry calculated for each quartet)
- **Insertable Half-Wave Plate**: for “slow reversal” of helicity to check systematic effects and cancel certain false asymmetries. Less frequently, by Wien filter.

# Two-Wien Spin Flipper

flip spin each month to cancel out HC laser spot variation



Experiment	Energy (GeV)	I ( $\mu$ A)	Target	$A_{pv}$ (ppb)	Maximum Charge Asym (ppb)	Maximum Position Diff (nm)	Maximum Angle Diff (nrad)	Maximum Size Diff ( $\delta\sigma/\sigma$ )
HAPPEX-II (Achieved)	3.0	55	$^1\text{H}$ (20 cm)	1400	400	1	0.2	Was not specified
HAPPEX-III (Achieved)	3.484	100	$^1\text{H}$ (25 cm)	16900	200 $\pm$ 100	3 $\pm$ 3	0.5 $\pm$ 0.1	10 <sup>-3</sup>
PREx	1.063	70	$^{208}\text{Pb}$ (0.5 mm)	500	100 $\pm$ 10	2 $\pm$ 1	0.3 $\pm$ 0.1	10 <sup>-4</sup>
QWeak	1.162	180	$^1\text{H}$ (35 cm)	234	100 $\pm$ 10	2 $\pm$ 1	30 $\pm$ 3	10 <sup>-4</sup>
Møller	11.0	75	$^1\text{H}$ (150 cm)	35.6	10 $\pm$ 10	0.5 $\pm$ 0.5	0.05 $\pm$ 0.05	10 <sup>-4</sup>

- Wien magnets at 10A and chopper magnets at 4A. Might be able to push to higher gun voltage but risk damaging magnets (note, chopper magnets are captured on beamline)
- Modeling suggests Capture Section optimized for 130kV beam....

# Overview of Beam Properties

		Achieved	
Beam value	Requirement	Run I	Run II
X-position at target [nm]	<2	3.6 +/- 0.39	-0.95 +/- 0.06
Y-position at target [nm]	<2	-6.9 +/- 0.39	-0.24 +/- 0.28
X-angle at target [nrad]	<30	-0.22 +/- 0.012	-0.07 +/- 0.017
Y-angle at target [nrad]	<30	-0.18 +/- 0.015	-0.06 +/- 0.011
Position at dispersion (3c12X)[nm]	-	-13.6 +/- 0.23	-0.83 +/- 0.30
Energy dE/E [ppb]	<1	<3.8 +/- 0.06	<0.23 +/- 0.08

# Constructing the Asymmetry

## False Asymmetries

- $A_{msr} = A_{raw} + A_T - A_{reg}$ 
  - $A_{raw} = (Y^+ - Y^-) / (Y^+ + Y^-)$ 
    - Charge normalized ep yields for  $\pm e$ -helicity
  - $A_T$  = remnant transverse asymmetry measured with explicitly  $P_T$  beam
  - $A_{reg} = \sum \left( \frac{\partial A}{\partial \chi_i} \right) \Delta \chi_i$ ,  
measured with natural & driven beam motion for  $(x, y, x', y', E)$  using BPMs
  - $A_Q$  driven to 0 with feedback

## Backgrounds

- $A_{ep} = R_{tot} \frac{A_{msr}/P - \sum_{i=1}^4 f_i A_i}{1 - f_{tot}}$ 
  - $R_{tot} = R_{Q^2} R_{RC} R_{Det} R_{Bin} = 0.98$
  - $f_{tot} = \sum f_i = 3.6\%$
  - $f_i$  = fraction of yield from bkg  $i$
  - $A_i$  = asymmetry of bkg  $i$
  - $b_1$  from Al windows of tgt cell (dominant bkg)
  - $b_2$  from beamline bkg
  - $b_3$  from other soft neutral bkg
  - $b_4$  from  $N \rightarrow \Delta$  inelastic bkg



# Ex:/ Aluminum Window Background

Large  $A$  (asymmetry) &  $f$  (fraction) make this our largest correction. Determined from explicit measurements using Al dummy targets & empty H<sub>2</sub> cell.

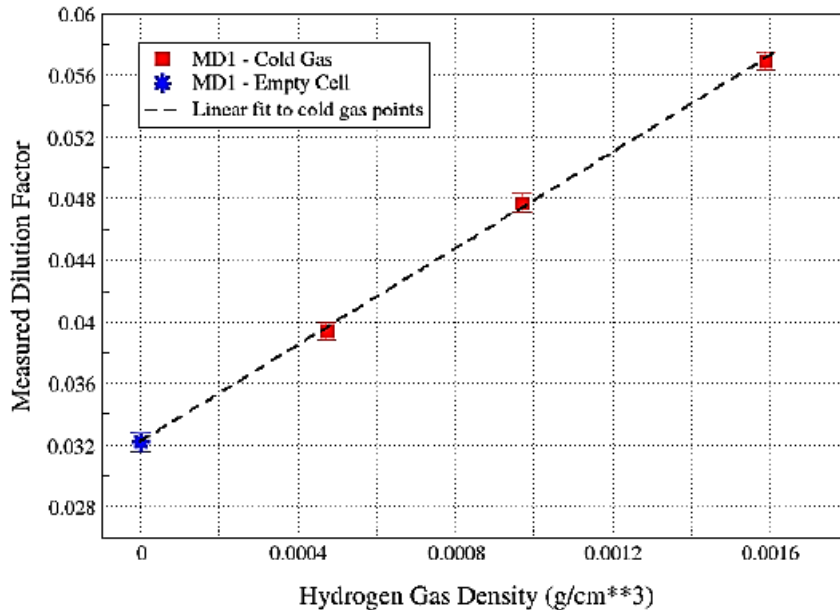
$$C_{Al} = -64 \pm 10 \text{ ppb}$$
$$A_{Al} = 1.76 \pm 0.26 \text{ ppm}$$

$$f_{Al} = 3.23 \pm 0.24 \%$$

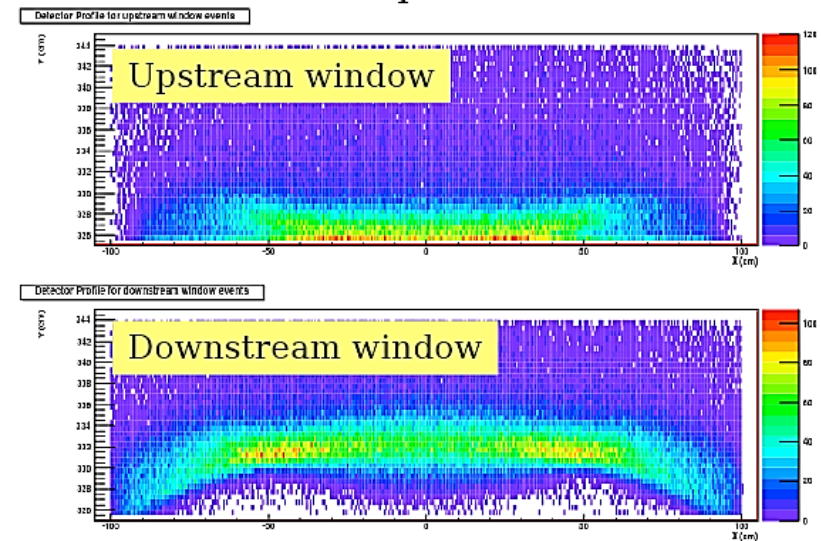
- **Dilution** from windows measured with empty target (actual target cell windows).
- Corrected for effect of H<sub>2</sub> using simulation and data driven models of elastic and quasi-elastic scattering.

- **Asymmetry** measured from thick Al targets
- Measured asymmetry agrees with expectations from scaling.

$$A_{PV}\left(\frac{N}{Z} X\right) = -\frac{Q^2 G_F}{4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \left[ Q_W^p + \left(\frac{N}{Z}\right) Q_W^n \right]$$



Simulated e- profile at detector:

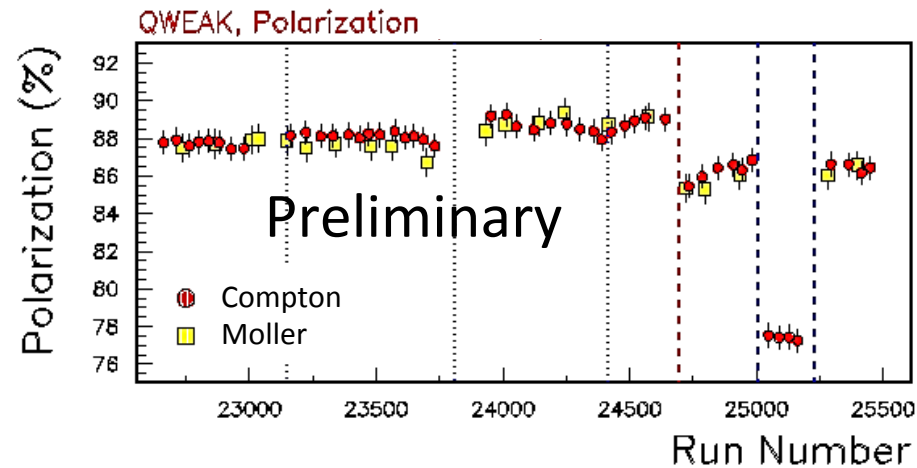
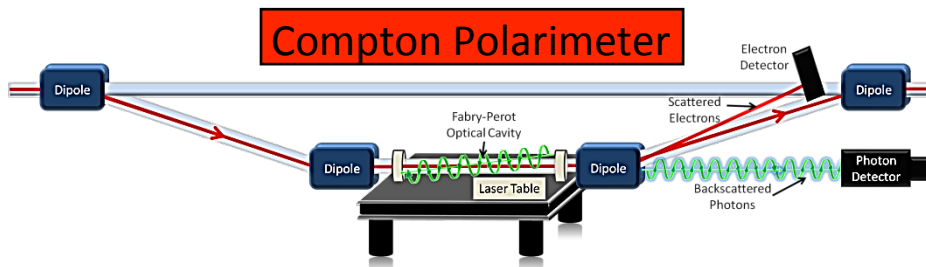
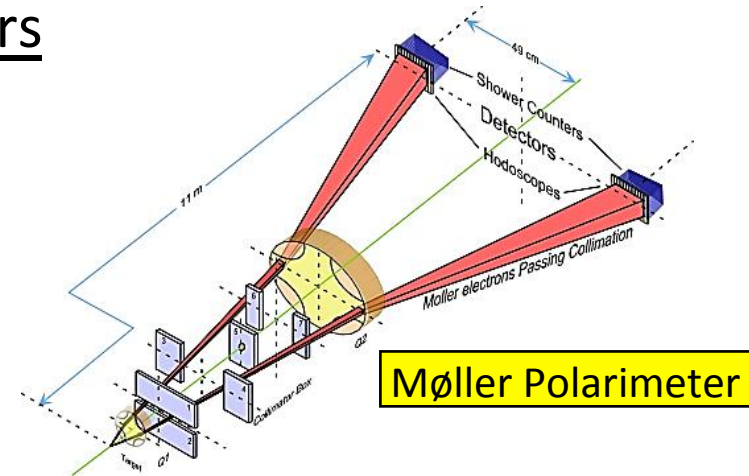


# Precision Polarimetry

Qweak requires  $\Delta P/P \leq 1\%$

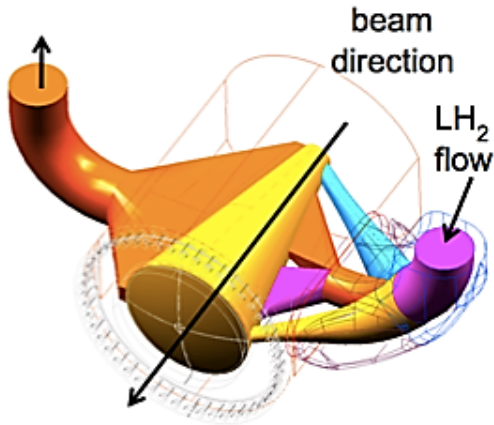
Strategy: use 2 independent polarimeters

- Use existing <1% Hall C Møller polarimeter:
  - Low beam currents, invasive
  - Known analyzing power provided by polarized Fe foil in a 3.5 T field.
- Use new Compton polarimeter (1%/h)
  - Continuous, non-invasive
  - Known analyzing power provided by circularly-polarized laser

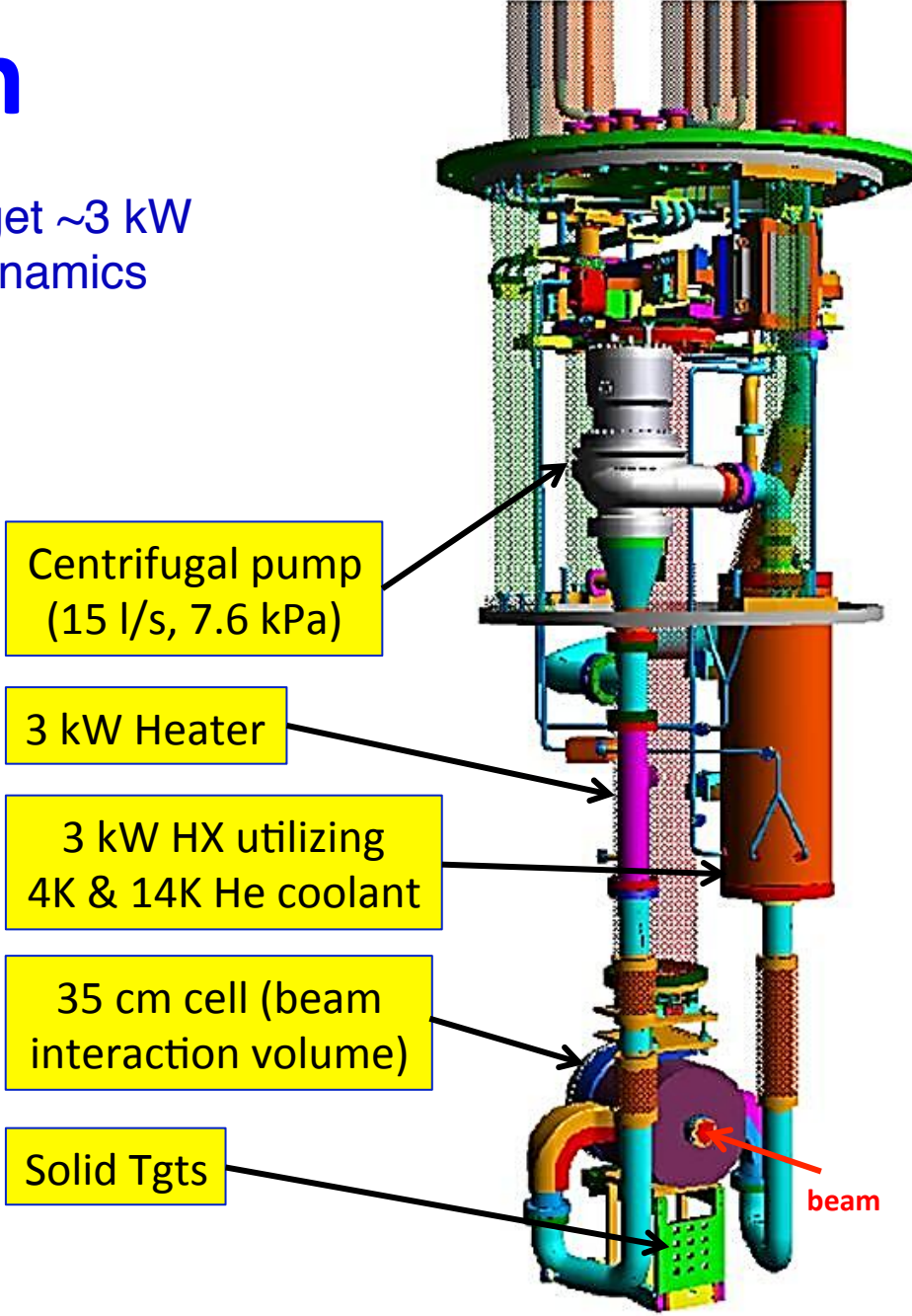
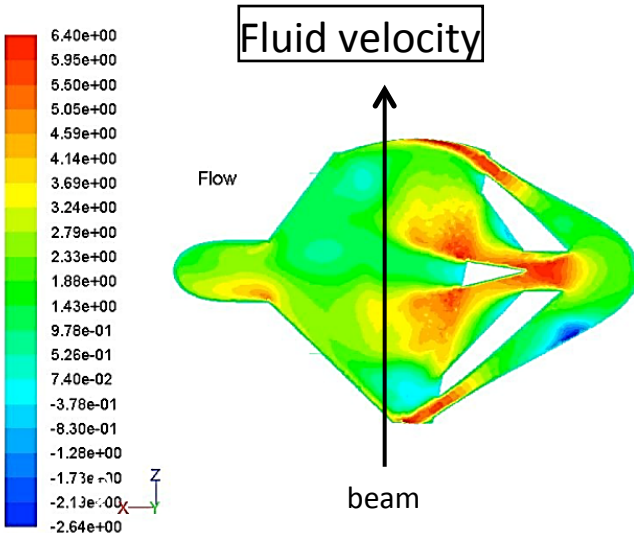


# LH<sub>2</sub> Target Design

- World's highest power cryogenic target ~3 kW
- Designed with computational fluid dynamics (CFD) to reduce density fluctuations



$I_{\text{Beam}} = 180 \mu\text{A}$   
 $L = 35 \text{ cm (4\% } X_0)$   
 $P_{\text{beam}} = 2.2 \text{ kW}$   
 $A_{\text{spot}} = 4 \times 4 \text{ mm}^2$   
 $V = 57 \text{ liters}$   
 $T = 20.00 \text{ K}$   
 $P \sim 220 \text{ kPa}$

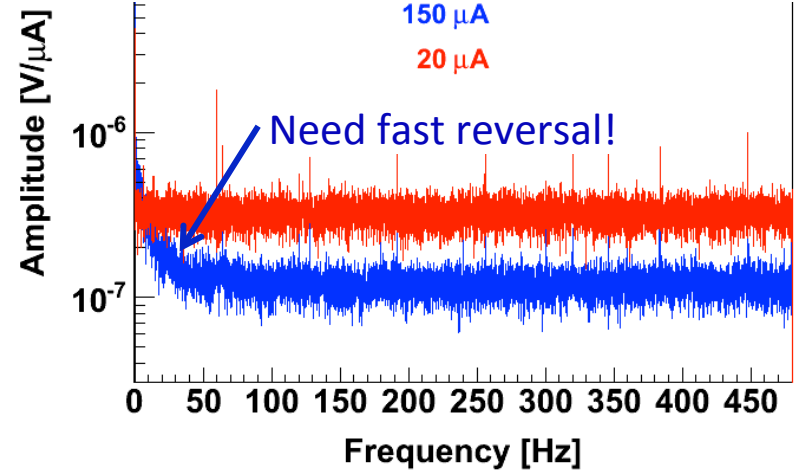


# Target Performance

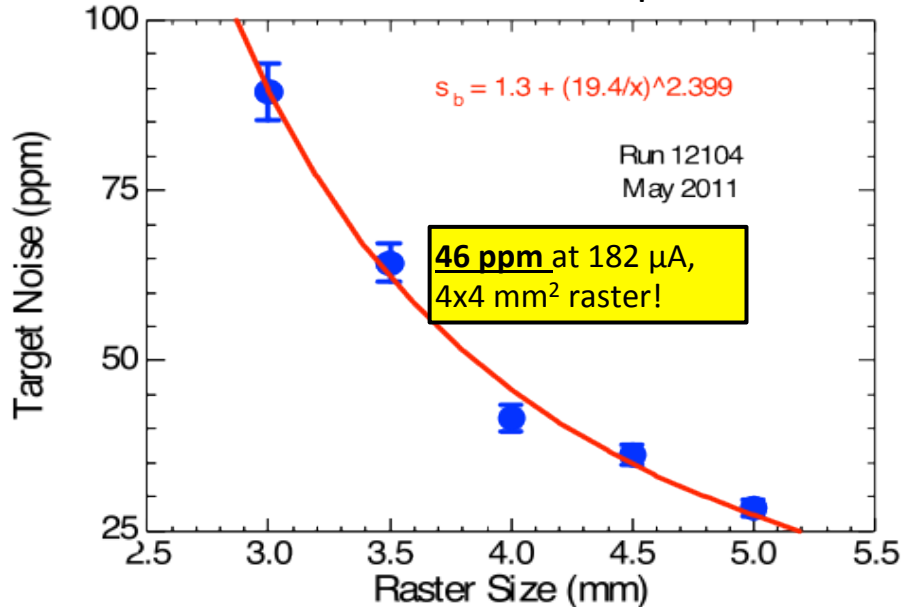
Measured helicity correlated target noise.

At **960 Hz reversal rate**, the target noise (< 50 ppm) is very small compared to our measured helicity quartet ( $\pm \mp \mp \pm$ ) asymmetry width (~230 ppm). (statistical power  $\sim \Delta A \downarrow \text{quartet} / \sqrt{N \downarrow \text{quartets}}$  ).

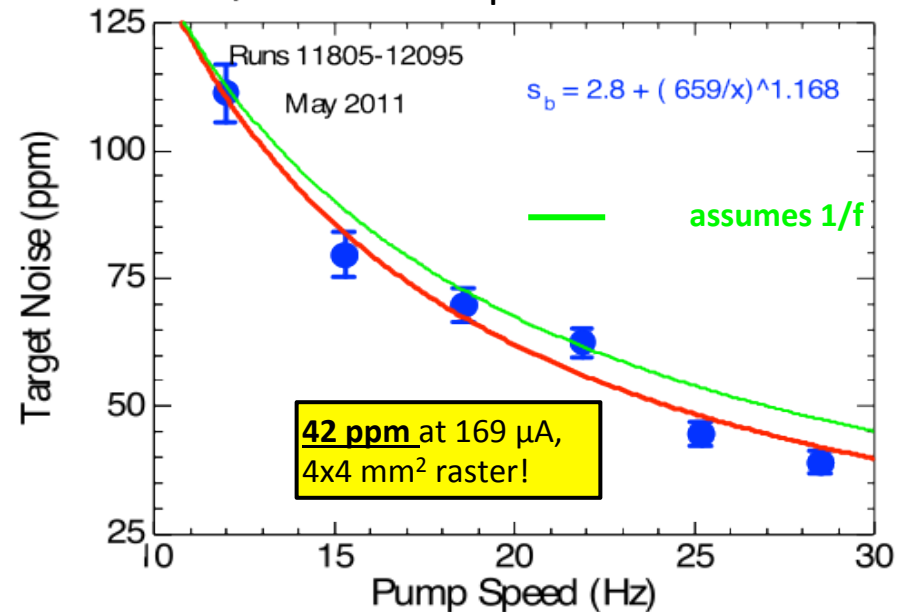
FFT of noise spectrum



Raster Scan @ 182 μA



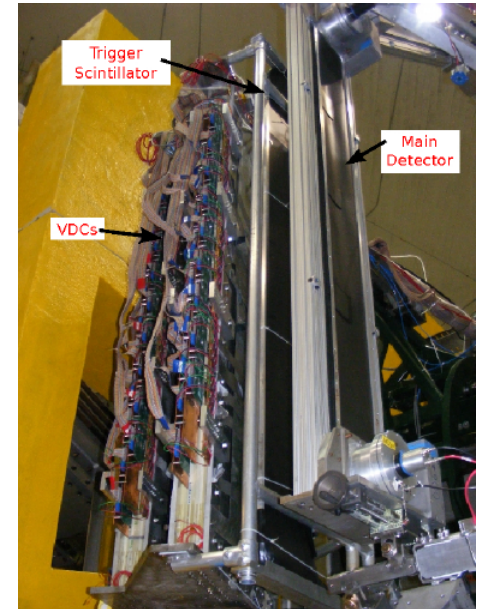
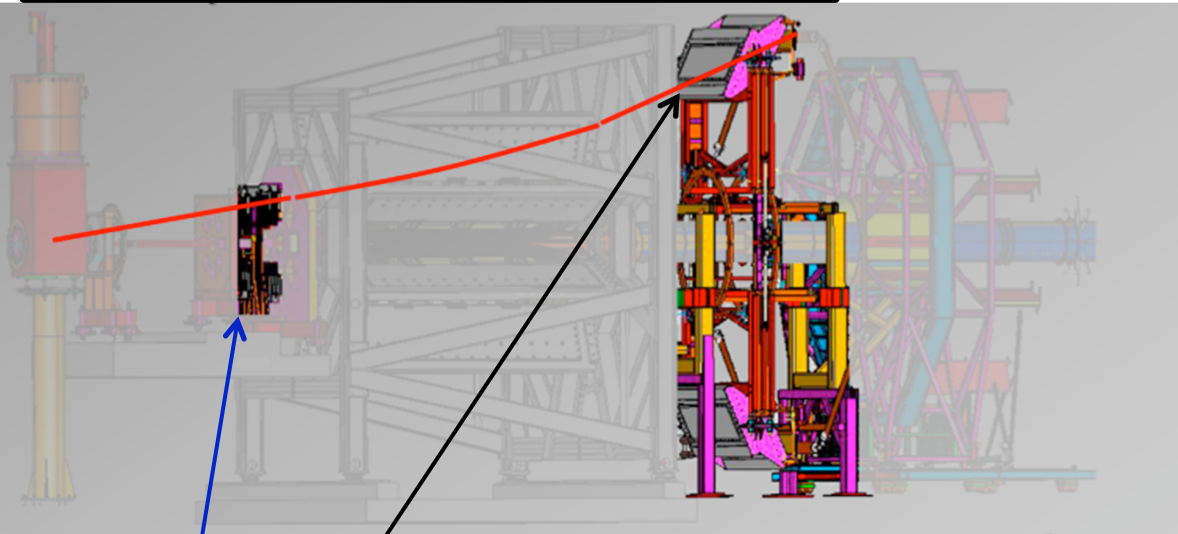
Pump Scan @ 169 μA, 4x4 mm Raster



# Determining the Kinematics

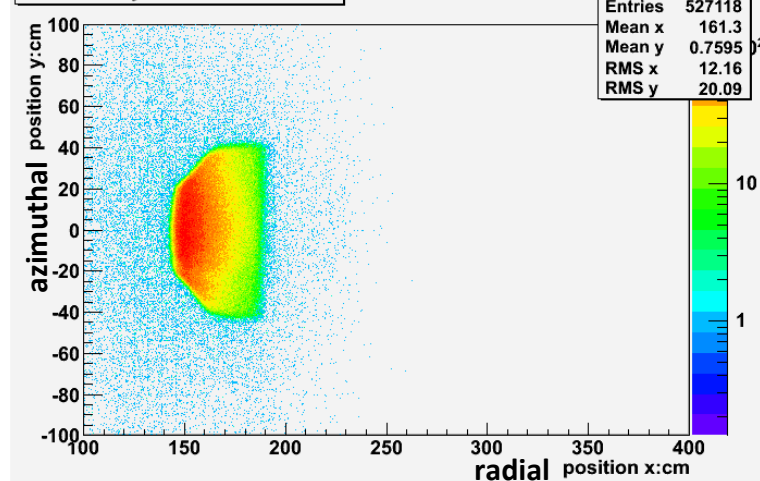
Required uncertainty on  $Q^2$  is 0.5%  
Combination of tracking and simulation

$$A_{PV} = -\frac{Q^2 G_F}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} [Q_W^p + F(\theta, Q^2)]$$

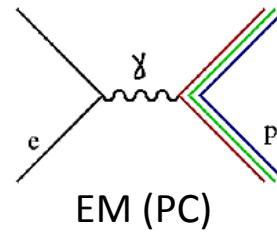


- **HDCs** before magnet to msr  $\theta$   
–  $Q^2 = 2E^2 (1-\cos\theta) / [1 + E/M(1-\cos\theta)]$
- **VDCs** & trigger scintillators after magnet to msr light weighted  $Q^2$  across quartz bars

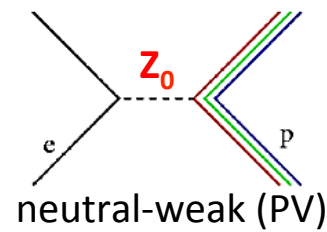
Track Projection on SW01 5



# Determining $Q_w(p)$



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- $A_{ep} = \left[ \frac{\sigma^+ - \sigma^-}{\sigma^+ + \sigma^-} \right] \sim \frac{|M_{weak}^{PV}|}{|M_{EM}|}$  where  $\sigma^\pm$  is  $\vec{e}p$  x-sec for e's of helicity  $\pm 1$

- $$A_{ep} = \left[ \frac{G_F Q^2}{4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \right] \frac{\epsilon G_E^Y G_E^Z + \tau G_M^Y G_M^Z - (1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_w) \epsilon' G_M^Y G_A^Z}{\epsilon (G_E^Y)^2 + \tau (G_M^Y)^2}$$

- where  $\epsilon = [1 + 2(1 + \tau) \tan^2(\theta/2)]^{-1}$ ,  $\epsilon' = \sqrt{\tau(1 + \tau)(1 - \epsilon^2)}$ ,  
 $\tau = Q^2/4M^2$ ,  $G_{E,M}^Y$  are EM FFs,  $G_{E,M}^Z$  &  $G_A^Z$  are strange & axial FFs,  
 and  $\sin^2 \theta_w = 1 - (M_W / M_Z)^2 =$  weak mixing angle

- Recast  $A_{ep} = \frac{G_F Q^2}{4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} [Q_w^p + Q^2 B(Q^2, \theta)]$

- So in a plot of  $A_{ep} / \left[ \frac{G_F Q^2}{4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \right]$  vs  $Q^2$ :

**This Experiment**

- $Q_w^p$  is the intercept (anchored by precise data near  $Q^2=0$ )
- $B(Q^2, \theta)$  is the slope (determined from higher  $Q^2$  PVES data)

# Global PVES Fit Details

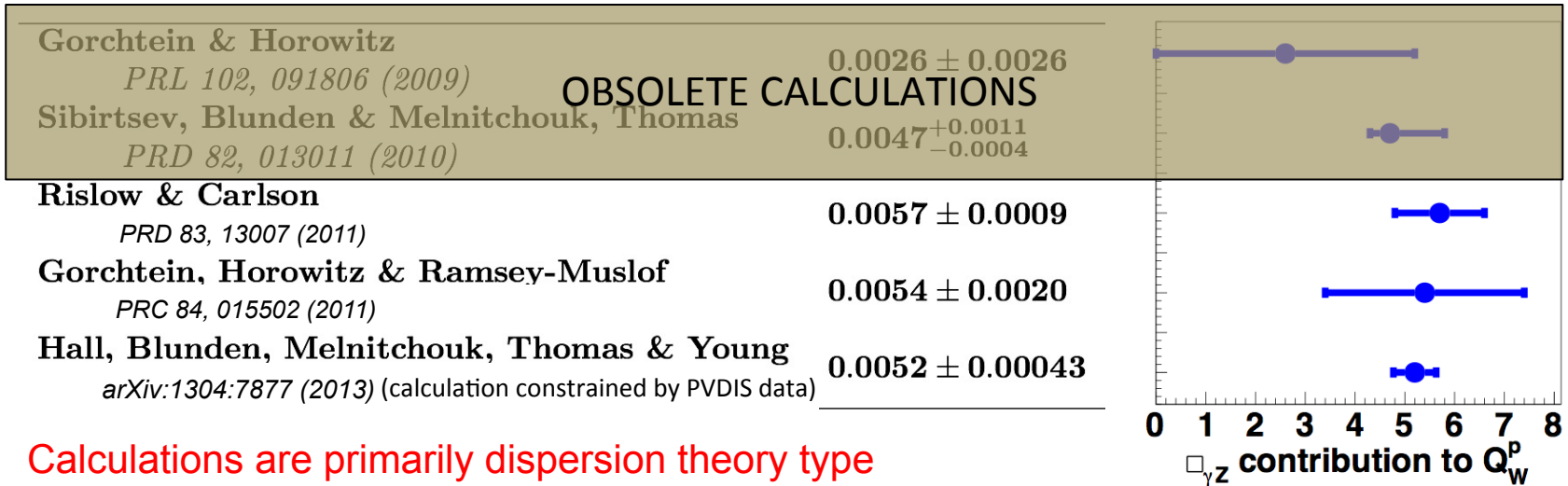
- Effectively 5 free parameters:
  - $C_{1u}, C_{1d}, \rho_s, \mu_s$ , & isovector axial FF  $G_A^Z$
  - $G_E^S = \rho_s Q^2 G_D, G_M^S = \mu_s G_D$ , &  $G_A^Z$  use  $G_D$  where
    - $G_D = (1 + Q^2/\lambda^2)^{-2}$  with  $\lambda = 1 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Employs all PVES data up to  $Q^2 = 0.63 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$ 
  - On p, d, &  $^4\text{He}$  targets, forward and back-angle data
    - SAMPLE, HAPPEX, G0, PVA4
- Uses constraints on isoscalar axial FF  $G_A^Z$ 
  - Zhu, et al., PRD 62, 033008 (2000)
- All data corrected for E &  $Q^2$  dependence of  $\square_{yz}$  RC
  - Hall et al., arXiv:1304.7877 (2013) & Gorchtein et al., PRC84, 015502 (2011)
- Effects of varying  $Q^2, \theta$ , &  $\lambda$  studied, found to be small

# Electroweak Corrections

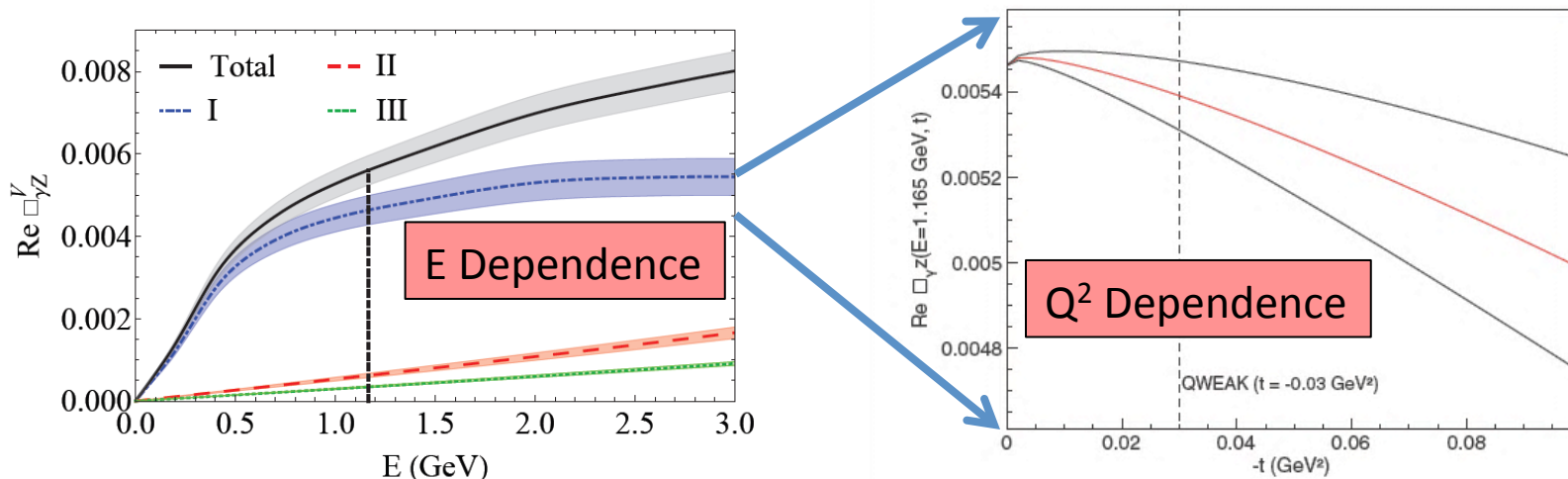
$$Q_W^p = [\rho_{NC} + \Delta_e][1 - 4 \sin^2 \hat{\theta}_W(0) + \Delta'_e] + \square_{WW} + \square_{ZZ} + \square_{\gamma Z}$$

$\square_{\gamma Z}$  contribution to  $Q_W^p$  (Qweak kinematics)

~7% correction

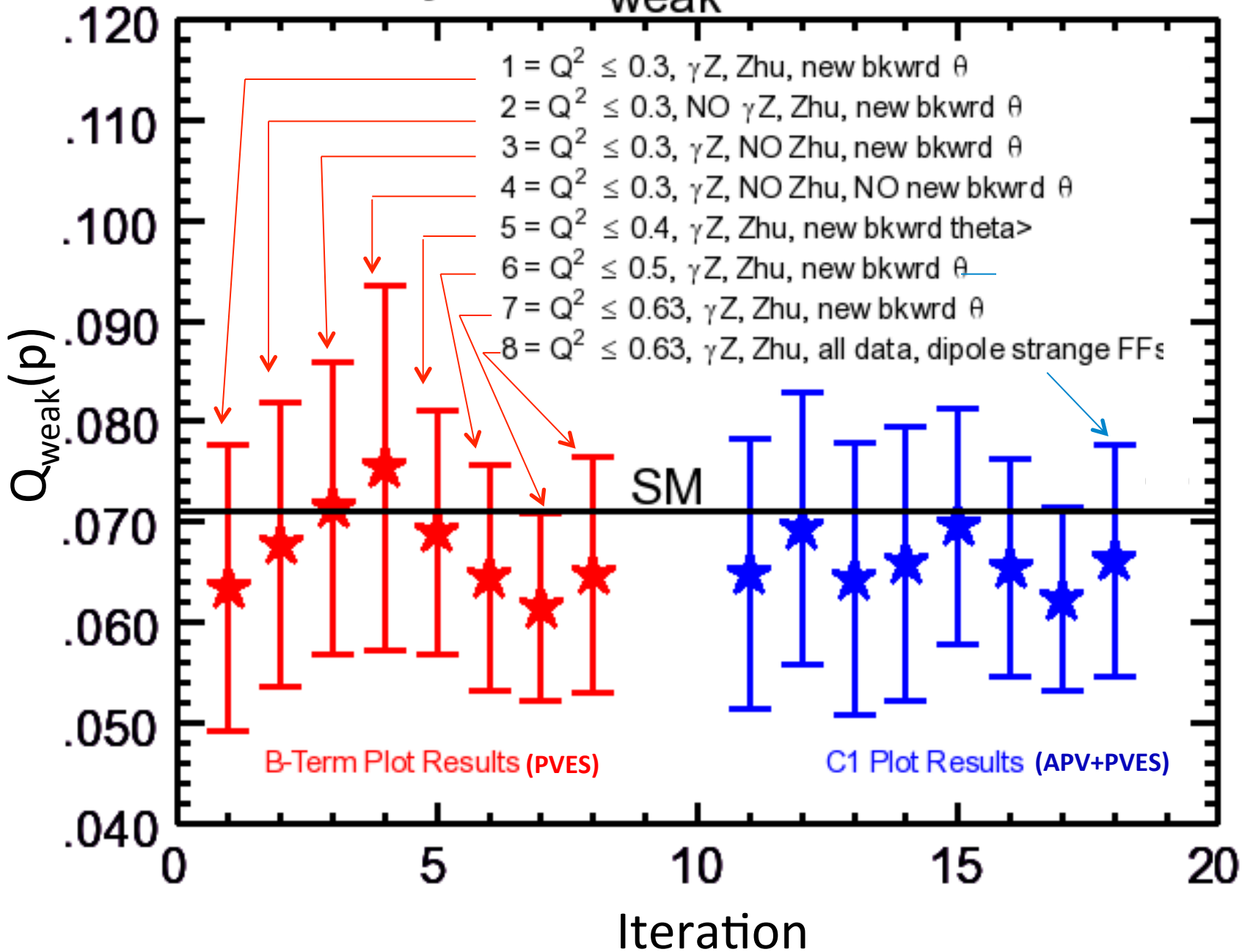


- Calculations are primarily dispersion theory type
  - error estimates can be firmed up with data!
- Qweak: inelastic asymmetry data taken at  $W \sim 2.3 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $Q^2 = 0.09 \text{ GeV}^2$

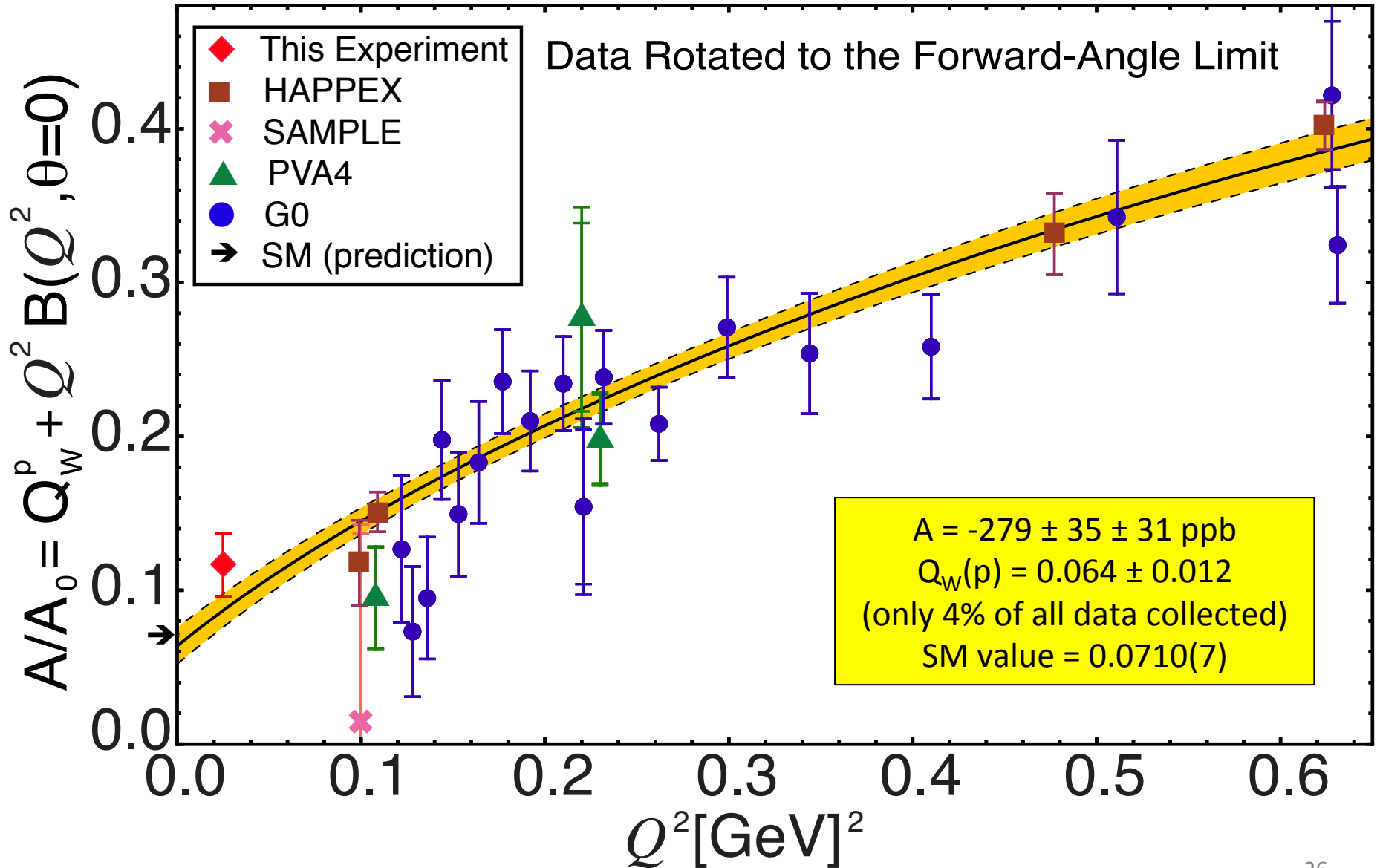




# Stability of $Q_{\text{weak}}$ Determination

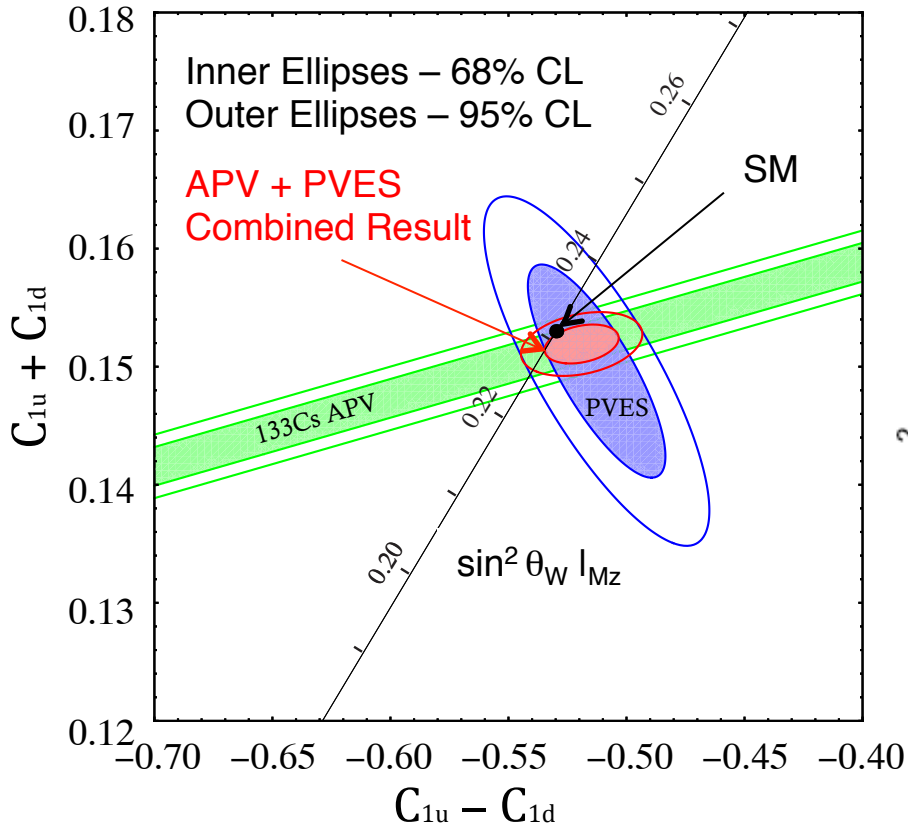


# Global Fit of $Q^2 < 0.63$ (GeV/c) $^2$ PVES Data



# Combined Analysis

Extract:  $C_{1u}$ ,  $C_{1d}$ ,  $Q_W^n$



$$Q_W^n = -2 (C_{1u} + 2 C_{1d}) = -0.975 \pm 0.010$$

$$C_{1u} = -0.184 \pm 0.005$$

$$C_{1d} = 0.336 \pm 0.005$$

$$Q_W^p = -2 (2 C_{1u} + C_{1d}) = 0.064 \pm 0.012$$

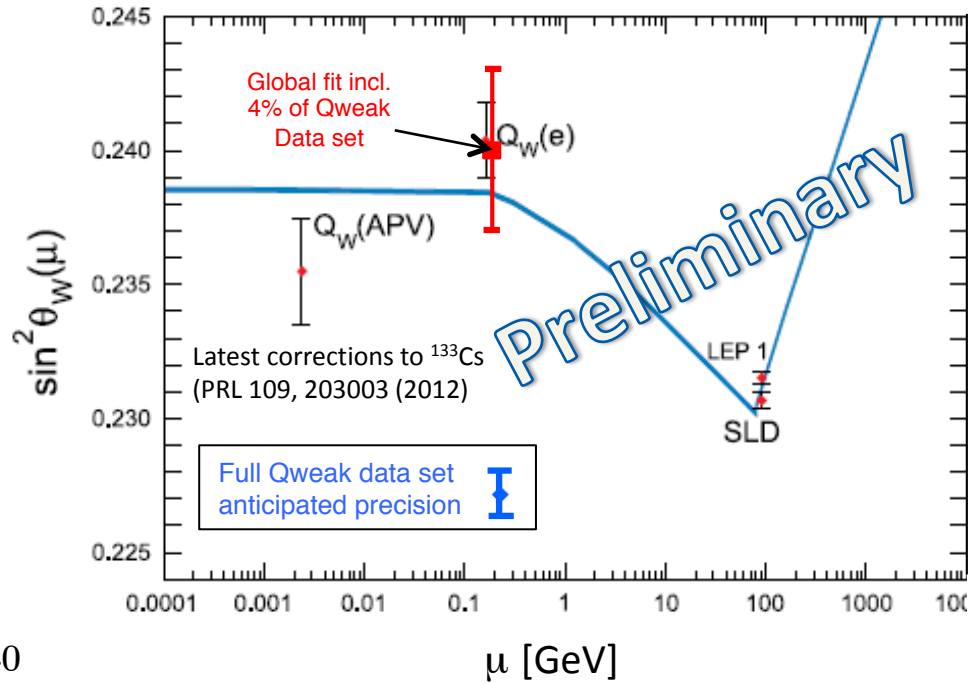
SM prediction = 0.0710(7)

Remainder of experiment still being analyzed, final result before end of 2014. Expect final  $\Delta A_{e-p}$  result will have  $\sim 5$  x better precision.

# Qweak + Higher Q<sup>2</sup> PVES

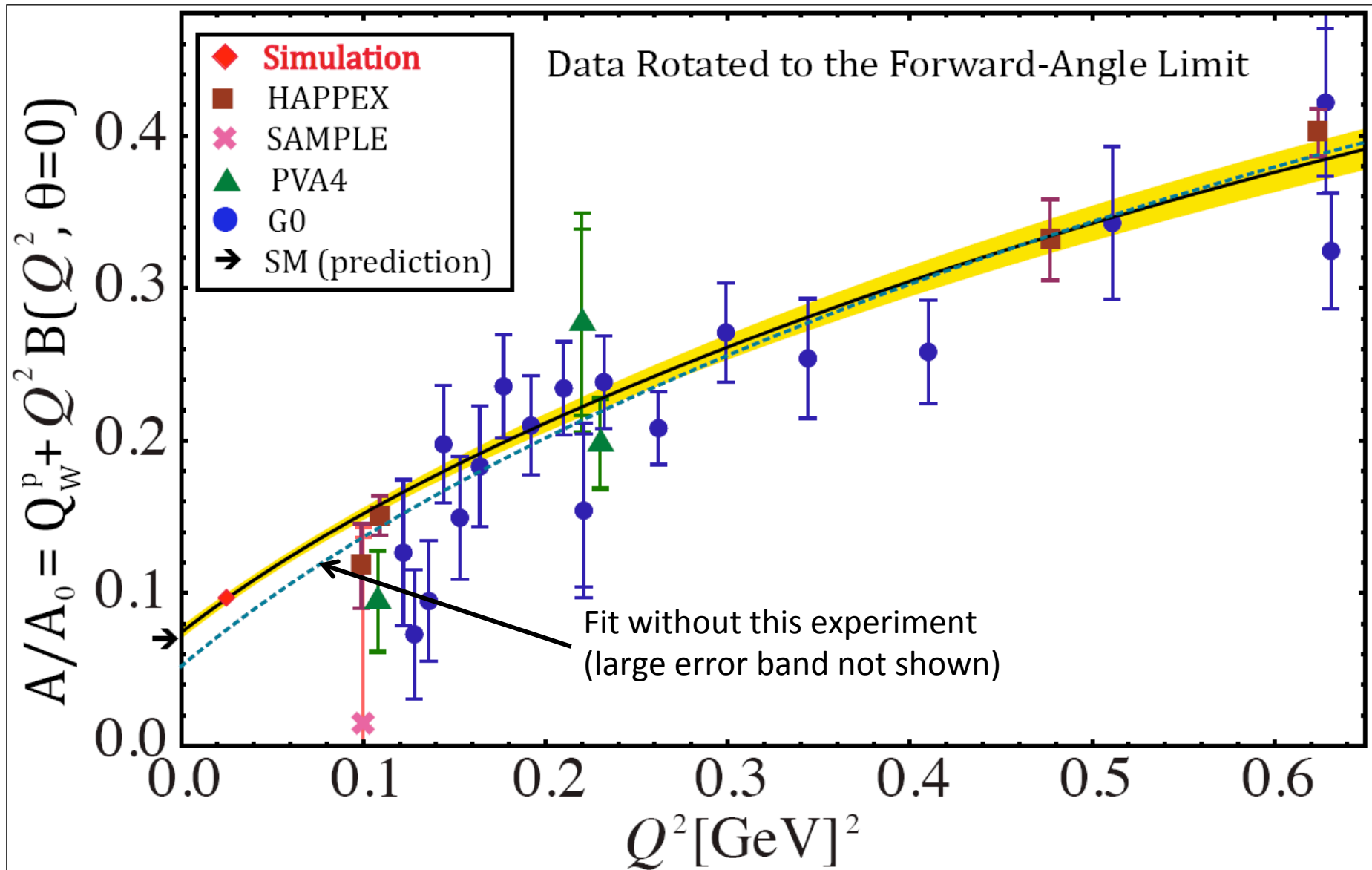
Extract:  $Q_W^p$ ,  $\sin^2 \theta_W$

Weak Mixing Angle: Running of  $\sin^2 \theta_W$



# Teaser: Simulated Fit !!

(Assuming anticipated final uncertainties and SM result)



# Summary

- Measured  $A_{ep} = -279 \pm 35$  (statistics)  $\pm 31$  (systematics) ppb
  - Smallest & most precise ep asymmetry ever measured!
- First determination of  $Q_W(p)$ :
  - $Q_W(p) = 0.064 \pm 0.012$  (from only 4% of all data collected)
    - (SM value = 0.0710(7))
    - New physics reach  $\Lambda/g > 1 \text{ TeV}$
- First determination of  $Q_W(n) = -2(C_{1u} + 2C_{1d})$ :
  - By combining our result with APV
    - $Q_W(n) = -0.975 \pm 0.010$  (SM value = -0.9890(7))
- Expect to report an  $A_{ep}$  with about 5 times smaller uncertainty in about a year
  - Expected physics reach of  $\Lambda/g > 2 \text{ TeV}$ .
  - SM test, sensitive to  $Z'$ s and LQs

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