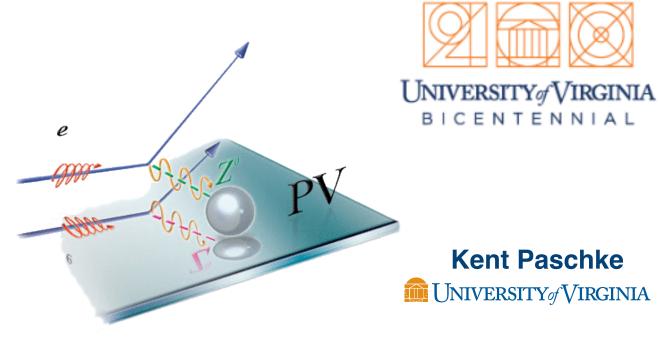
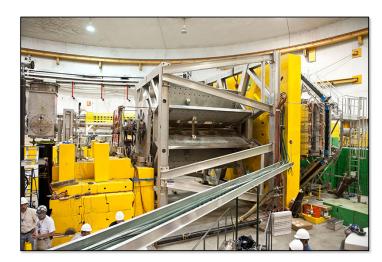
Looking for New Physics with the Weak Interaction: Recent Results from Qweak, and Future Perspectives





Outline

- Introduction to electron scattering
- Weak interaction, parity symmetry, and parity-violating electron scattering
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- One more 3rd generation experiment: n-star in a terrestrial nucleus
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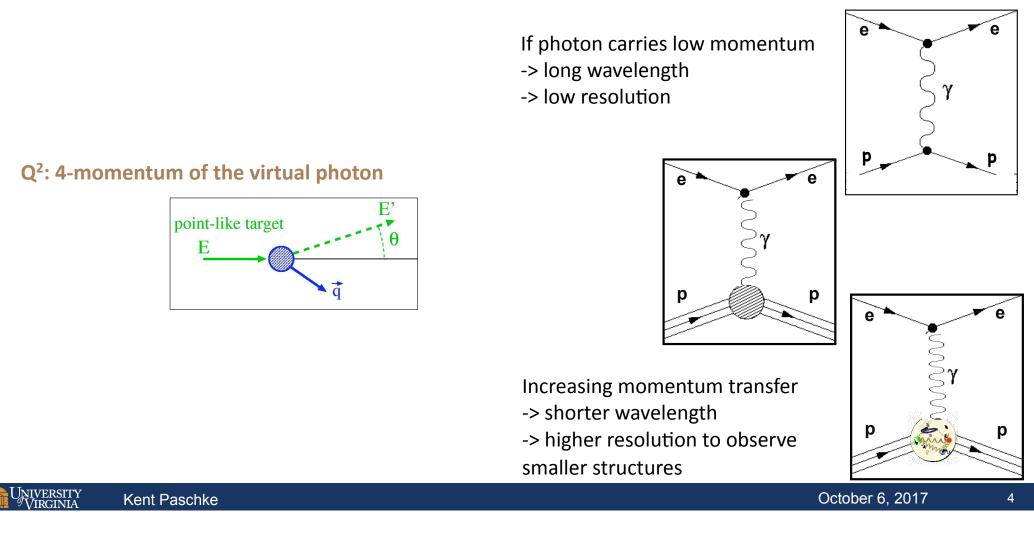
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Introduction to Electron Scattering

Introduction to electron scattering

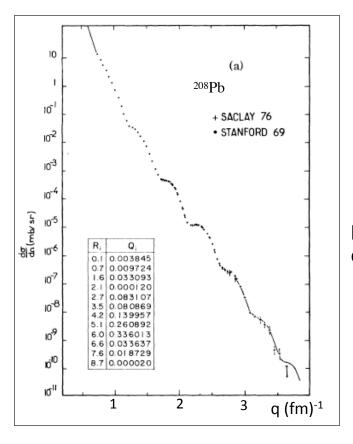
Electron scattering: electromagnetic interaction, described as an exchange of a virtual photon.



Elastic Form Factors and Extended Targets

The point-like scattering probability for elastic scattering is modified to account for finite target extent

by introducing the "form factor"



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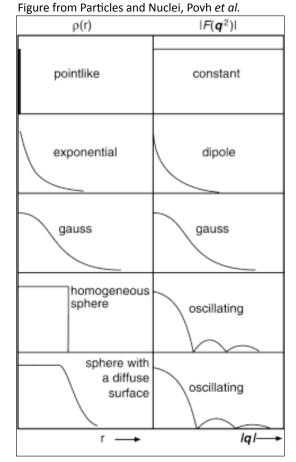
UNIVERSITY VIRGINIA Assuming spherically symmetric (spin-0) target $d\sigma = (d\sigma)$

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point-like target, electron spin

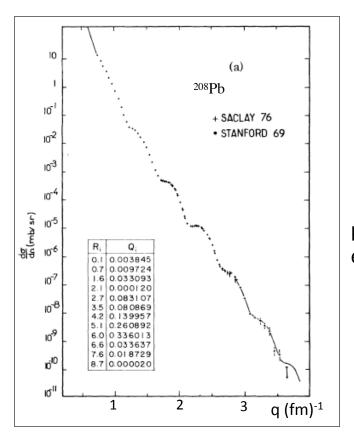
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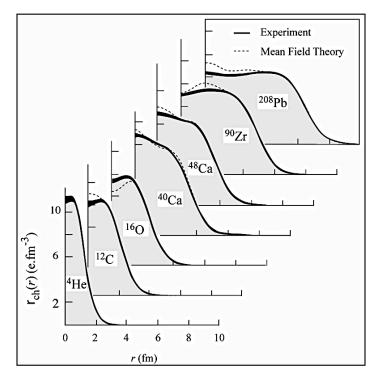
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Elastic Electron-Nucleon Scattering

For targets with spin, must also account for magnetic moment

Electric and Magnetic form factors $G_E(Q^2)$ and $G_M(Q^2)$

$$\left|\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{Rosenbluth}} = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{Mott}} \left\{\frac{(G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2)}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2 \tan^2(\theta / 2)\right\}\right|$$

With no structure

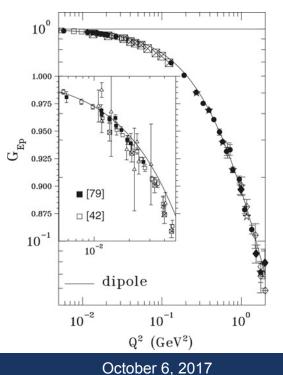
G_E = **1** (proton charge)

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{M}} = \mathbf{1}$$
 (magnetic moment = $\mu_{\mathbf{B}}$).

At $Q^2 = 0$, the probe does not resolve the target $G_E(0) = 1$ (electric charge)

 $G_{M}(0) = \mu$ (magnetic moment in units of μ_{B})

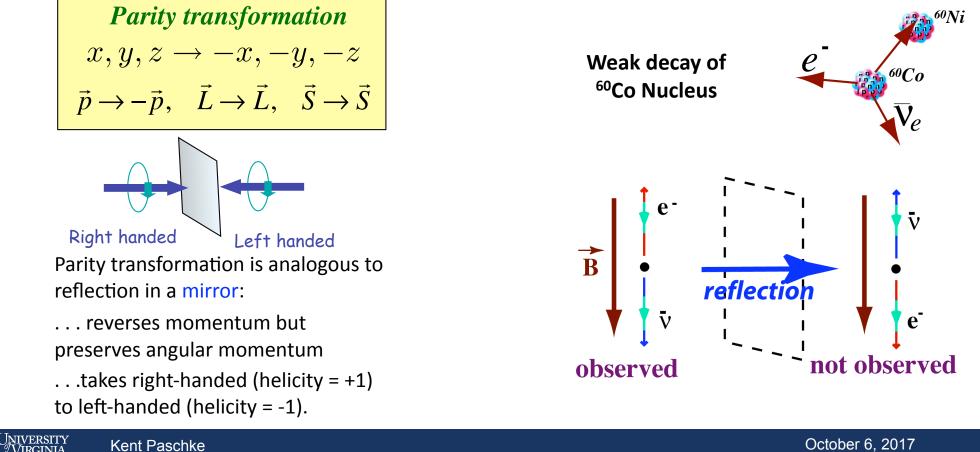
Proton (and neutron magnetic) form-factors follow dipole form (exponential charge distribution)



Weak Interaction, Parity Symmetry, and Parity Violating Electron Scattering

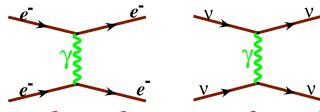
Weak Interaction and parity

1930's - The weak nuclear interaction was needed to explain nuclear beta decay 1950's - Discovery of parity-violation by the weak interaction



Charge and Handedness

Electric charge determines strength of electric force



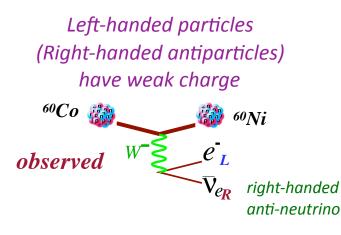
Neutrinos are "charge neutral": do not feel the electric force

observed

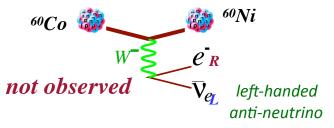
not observed

	Left	Right
γ Charge	$q = 0, \pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{2}{3}$	$q = 0, \pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{2}{3}$
W Charge	$T = \pm \frac{1}{2}$	zero

Weak charge determines strength of weak force



Right-handed particles (left-handed antiparticles) are "weak charge neutral"



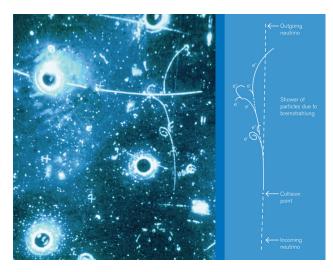
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Electroweak Interaction

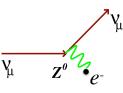
Until the 1970's, all known weak interactions could be explained by W^{+/-} exchange

Weak neutral currents are proposed under electroweak unification (late '60s, Weinberg Salam Glashow, but others, also...)

 \Rightarrow The weak mixing angle θ_W introduced



Gargamelle bubble chamber uncovers $v_{\mu} e^{-}$ events in 1973, more convincingly in 1976.



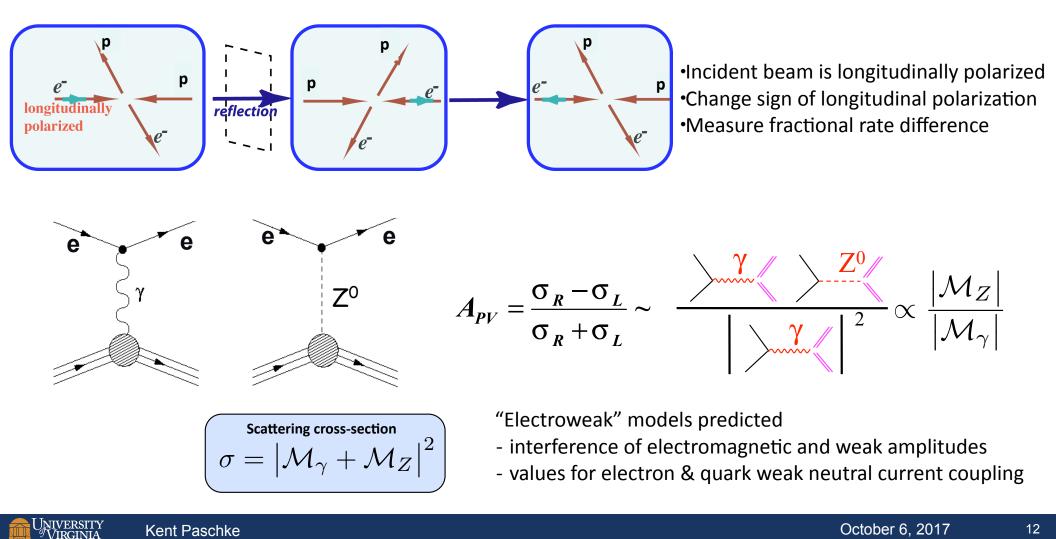
This demonstrated the existence of the neutral current (Z⁰) but not its nature

- What is the gauge structure of the underlying theory?
- Is this the electroweak unification of GWS?
- Another EW unification?
- A new interaction?

Landmark experiment (late 1970s): parity-violating electron scattering

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W Charge	$T = \pm \frac{1}{2}$	zero
Z Charge		

Electron Scattering and Parity-violation



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PVeS Verifies the "Standard Model" (1978)

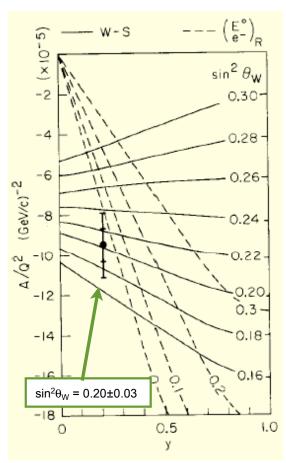
Parity Non-Conservation in Inelastic Electron Scattering, C.Y. Prescott et. al, 1978

 $A_{PV} \sim 100 \pm 10 \text{ ppm}$

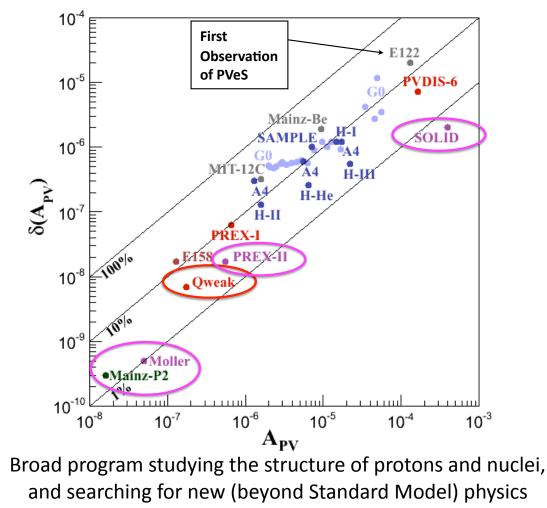
Definitive answer on gauge structure of electroweak interaction

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W Charge	$T = \pm \frac{1}{2}$	zero
Z Charge	$T - q\sin^2\theta_W$	$-q\sin^2\theta_W$

The Nobel Prize in Physics 1979 was awarded jointly to Sheldon Lee Glashow, Abdus Salam and Steven Weinberg "for their contributions to the theory of the unified weak and electromagnetic interaction between elementary particles, including, inter alia, the prediction of the weak neutral current".







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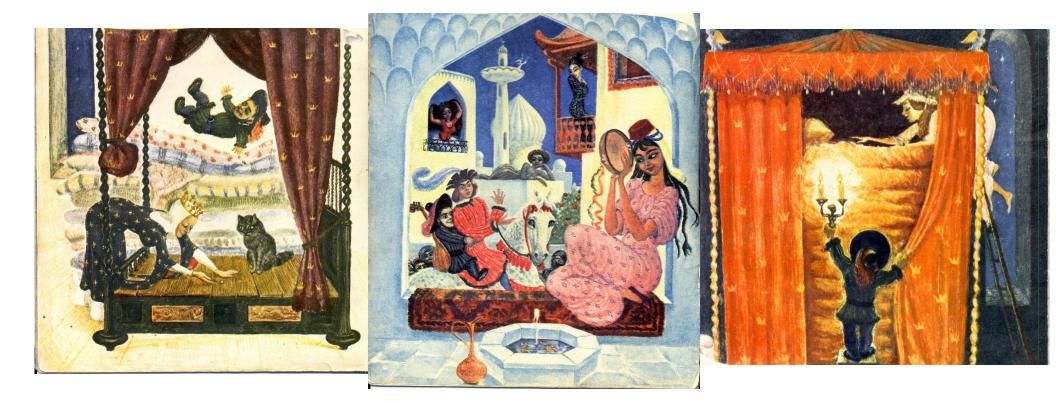
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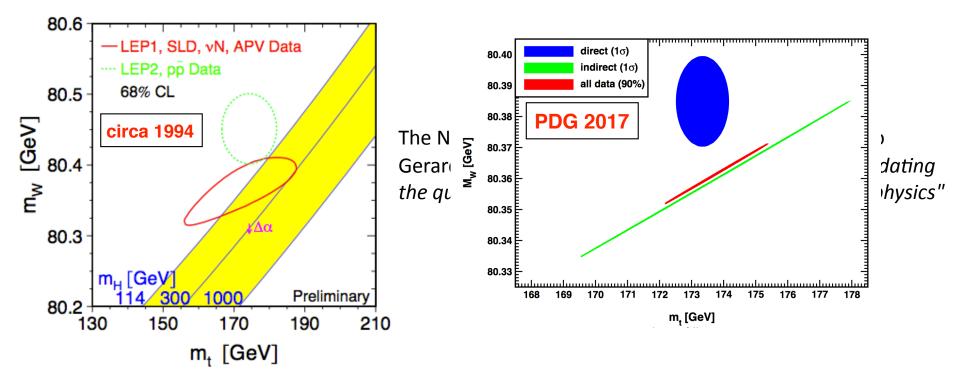
Beyond the Standard Model with Precision at Low Energies

Direct vs Indirect Searches

(according to Hans Christian Andersen)



Discovery of the Top

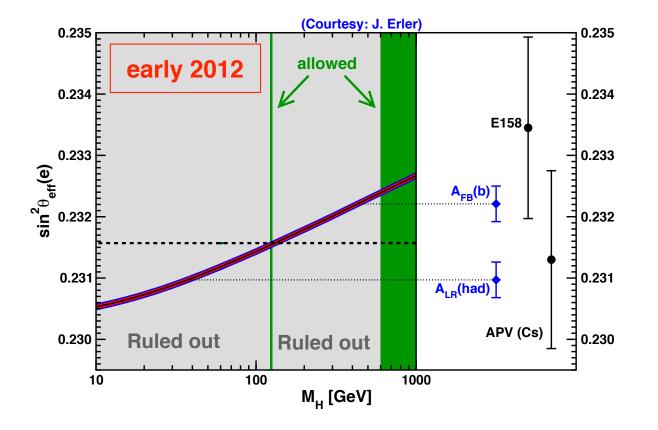


EW Standard Model has only three parameters, fixed by α_{EM} , G_F, and M_Z

Global fit over large precision data set to constrain additional parameters appearing in 1-loop corrections (H mass, fermion masses and mixing, and α_{strong})

Ultraprecise (0.1%) measurements of "derived" parameters ($\sin^2\theta_w$ and M_w) are the most sensitive consistency checks of the EW theory

The Higgs Boson and Electroweak Fit



Amazing consistency of the Standard Model prediction, between directly measured m_H , m_W , m_t , $sin^2\theta_W$

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New Physics with Precision at Low Energies

Low Q² offers complementary probes of new physics at multi-TeV scales

EDM, g_{μ} -2, weak decays, β decay, $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay, DM, LFV...

Parity-Violating Electron Scattering: Low energy weak neutral current couplings (SLAC, Jefferson Lab, Mainz)

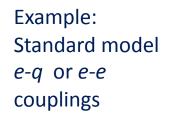
Many new physics models give rise to new neutral current interactions

Low energy NC interactions ($Q^2 << M_T^2$)

Heavy mediators = contact interactions

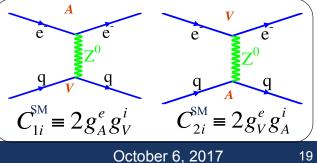
extra dimensions, SUSY... $A_X \alpha \frac{1}{Q^2 - M_X^2}$ **Contact** interaction

for each fermion and handedness combination reach, characterized by mass scale Λ , coupling g



Heavy Z's and neutrinos,

technicolor, compositeness,

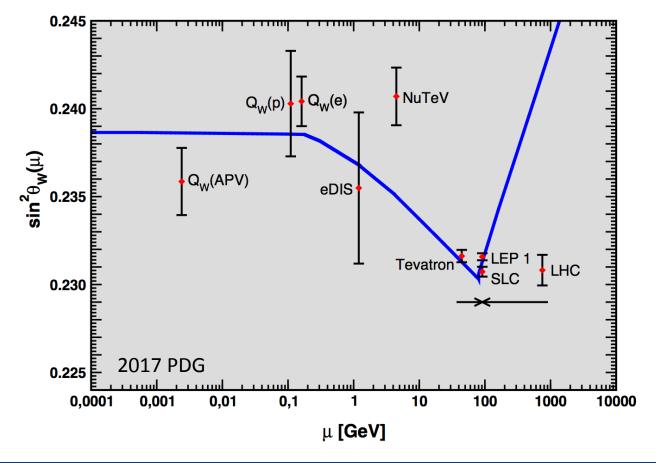


 $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{SM}} + \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{new}}$

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The Weak Mixing Angle



Renormalization scheme defines $sin^2\theta_W$ at the Z-pole.

 γ -Z mixing and other diagrams are absorbed into the coupling constant

At the Z-pole - measuring properties of the SM Z⁰ boson

Off the Z-pole, low-energy measurements are sensitive to (new) parity-violating interactions

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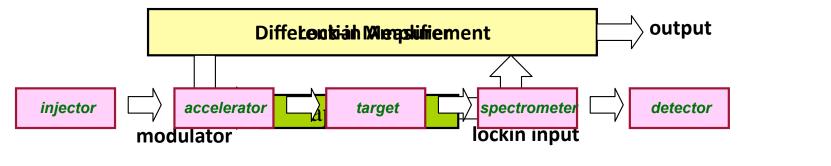
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The QWeak Experiment

Measuring APV

Goal: 10⁻⁷ asymmetry measurement at the few percent level

How do you pick a tiny signal out of a noisy environment?



Measure fractional rate difference between opposing helicity states

$$A_{PV} = \frac{\sigma_R - \sigma_L}{\sigma_R + \sigma_R}$$

 $A_{\text{measured}} \sim -200 \text{ ppb with 4% precision}$ N ~ 1x10¹⁶ electrons!

High rates to get statistical precision, but also:

Control Noise - quiet electronics, luminosity stability

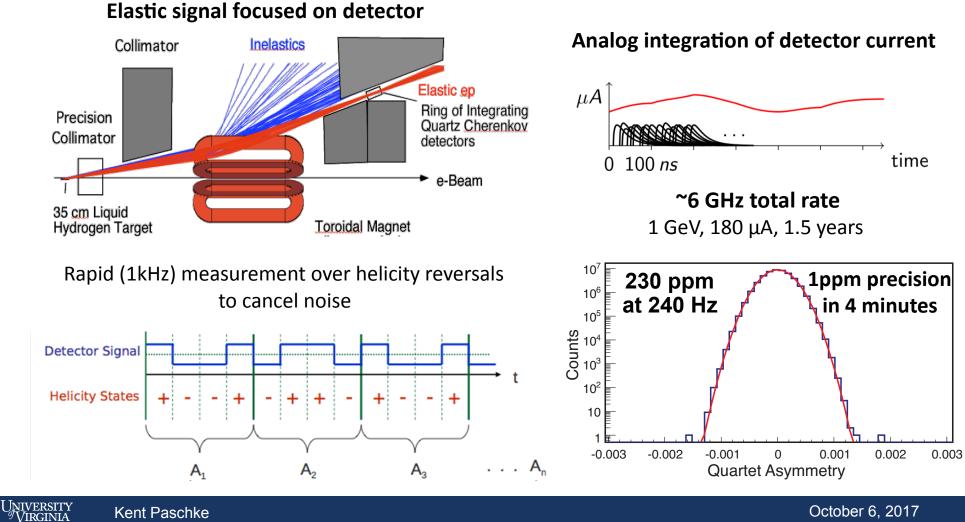
Low backgrounds - must be known PV asymmetry

Polarimetry - Can't do better on A_{PV} than on P_{beam}

Kinematics - Interpretation requires Q² precision

False Asymmetries - electronics, beam motion...?

Measuring A_{PV}



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CEBAF at JLab

Superconducting, continuous wave, recirculating linac

1500 MHz RF, with 3 interleaved 500 MHz beams

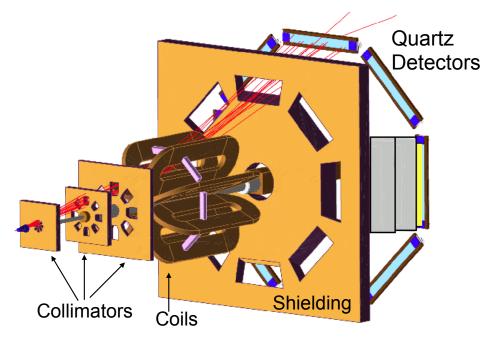


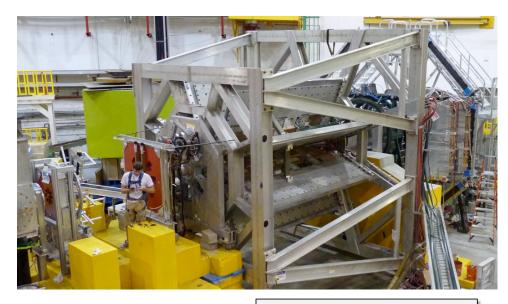
"Cold" RF is makes a clean, quiet beam... perfect for precision experiments



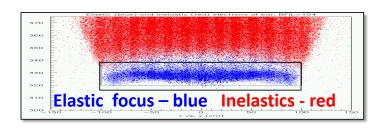
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The Qweak Spectrometer



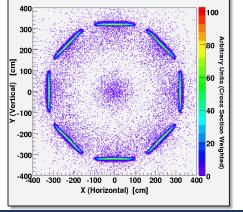


Toroidal Spectrometer separates elastics into each of 8 detectors



Each detector:

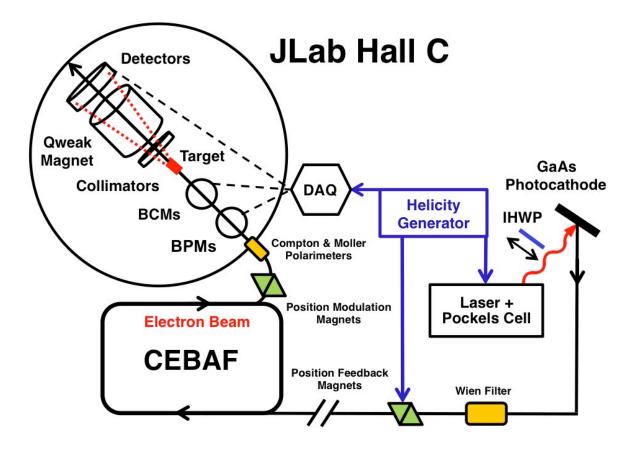
- •2 meters long
- ·lead radiator, fused silica
- Cerenkov light from shower
- collected by phototube at each end



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The Entire Accelerator Complex is our Apparatus

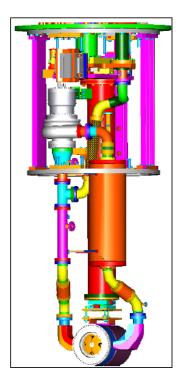


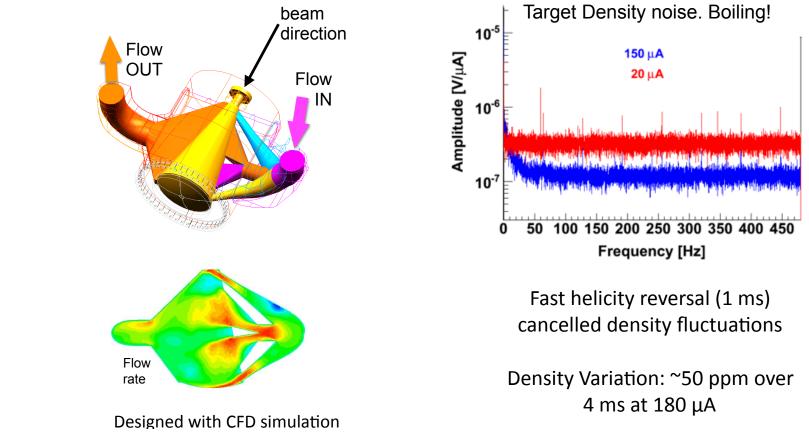
- Polarized Source Laser rapid reversal, keep spin states the same intensity, position, shape...
- •Spin Manipulation crossed E and B fields, to rotate spin in low energy injector
- Position/Energy Modulation for calibrating detector sensitivity
- Polarimeters
- Precise monitors for beam current and position

Qweak Experimental Target

World's highest power and lowest noise cryogenic target

35 cm, 180 µA electron beam, 2.5 kW deposited power





Polarimetry

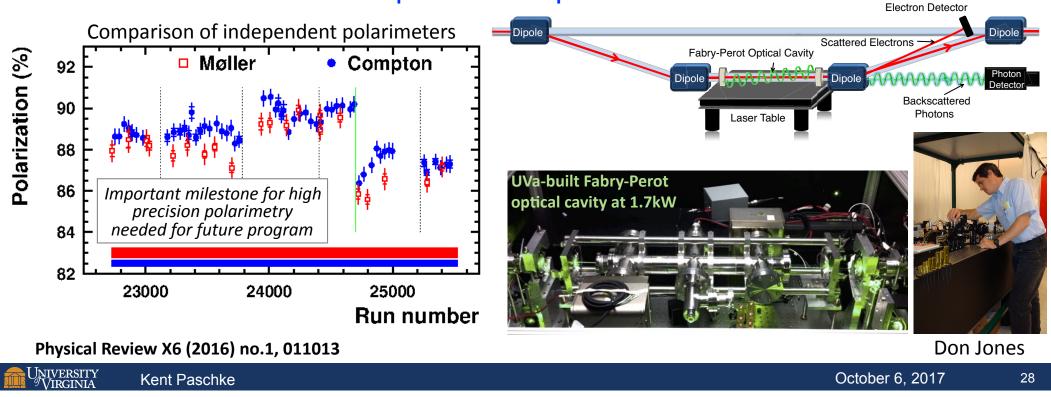
Moller: ee scattering off polarized iron foil

- •4T field, saturated iron
- experience with ~1% precision in Hall C
- modified spectrometer for 1 GeV
- invasive, low current only

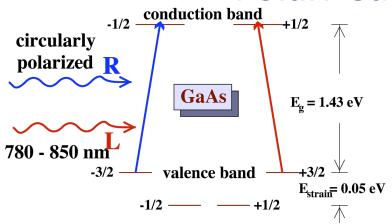
Compton: $e\gamma$ scattering with polarized green laser light

- new polarimeter
- low E_{beam}: low analyzing power, low scattering energies
- diamond microstrip detector
- per mille control of laser polarization inside cavity

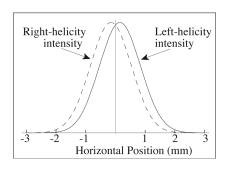
Result: ~0.6% precision on 89% polarization



Polarized Electrons for Qweak



If on average linear polarization = 0, that doesn't mean that it is everywhere zero



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A non-zero 1st moment creates a position difference

A non-zero 2nd moment creates a spot-size difference

• High intensity, high polarization through photoemission from GaAs photocathode

Rapid-flip of beam helicity by reversing laser polarization

- Pockels cell to flip laser polarization
- Beam must look the same for the two polarization states
- Photocathode has preferred axis: analyzing power for linear light

Average beam asymmetries were small over course of run

Х	-2.7 nm
X'	-0.14 nrad
Y	-1.9 nm
Y'	-0.05 nrad
Energy	-0.6 ppb

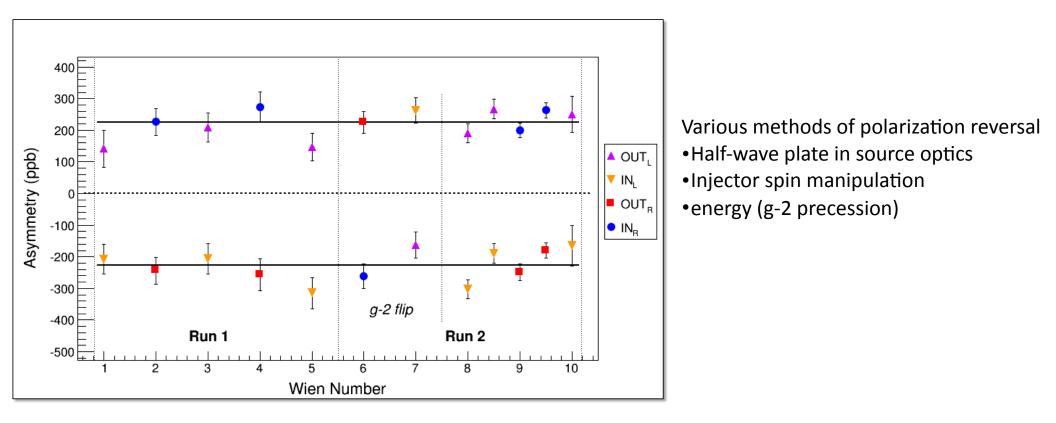


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Summary of Measurement



Beam Corrections

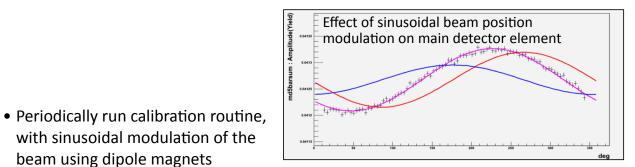
$$A_c = A_r - \sum \alpha_i \Delta x_i - \beta A_E$$

with sinusoidal modulation of the

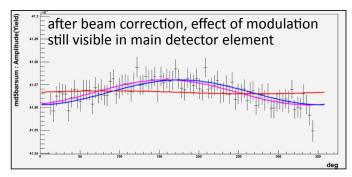
beam using dipole magnets Independently calibrate each

degree of freedom

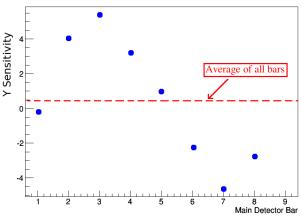
Measurement of the sensitivity of the Main Detector elements to beam motion. The spectrometer provides a high degree of cancellation for beam motion effects.



But, imperfect implementation led to inconsistent calibration information







In the end:

- gross inconsistencies removed from calibration
- small inconsistencies were shown to be harmless
- corrections were small, agreed between techniques

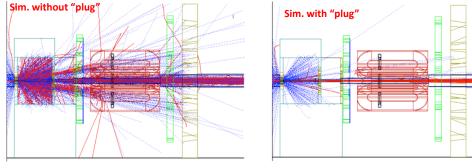
Net Correction: 3.5 ± 1.7 ppb

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Beamline Backgrounds

Scattering from the beampipe was recognized as a possible source of background



• But collimation didn't fully solve the problem.

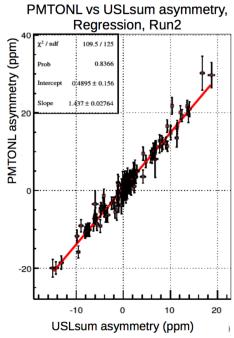
• Radiators were added to the main detector to enhance hard scatters and cut soft backgrounds

Studies (included blocking octants):

- \bullet beamline background $f\sim 0.2\%$ in MD
- asymmetry due to beam halo
- asymmetry well measured by background detectors



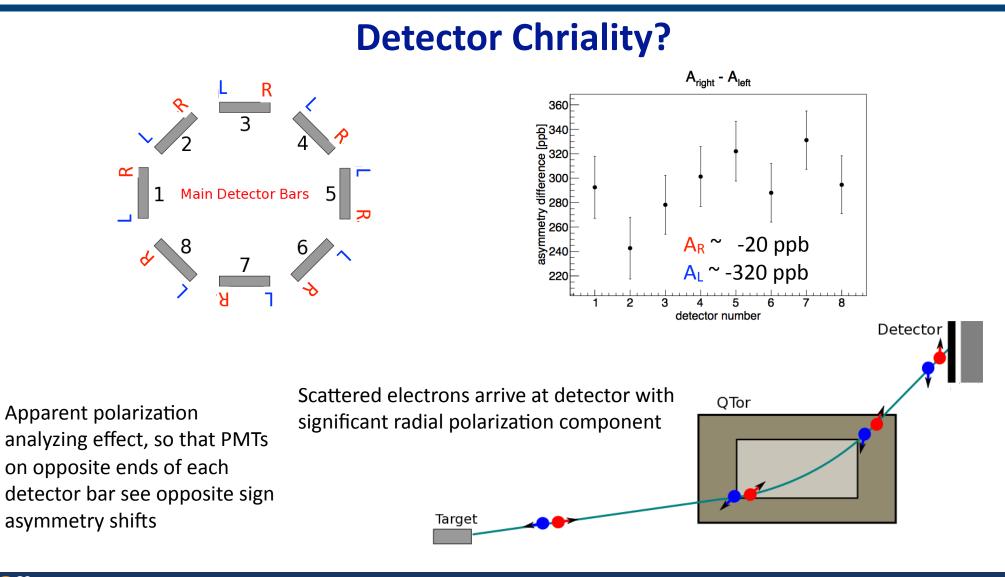
Large asymmetries seen in both "small angle" and "background" monitors, were correlated with main detectors



Scaling of backgrounds over the course of the run, and correlation with main detectors, were stable.

Net Correction: -1.2 ± 1.7 ppb

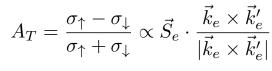
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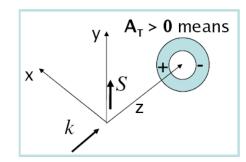


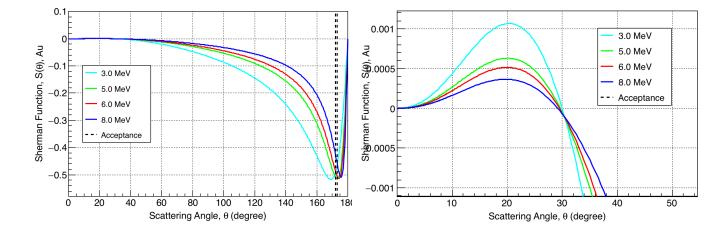
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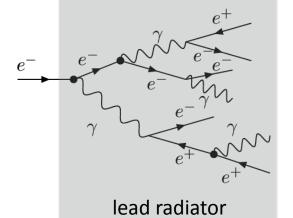
Polarization Sensitive Detector

Mott scattering asymmetry: low energy phenomenon







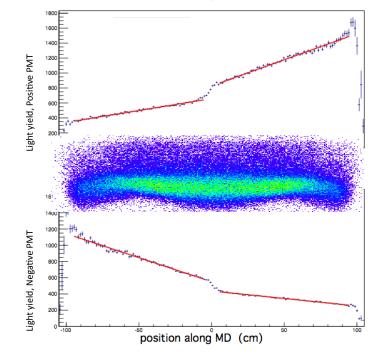


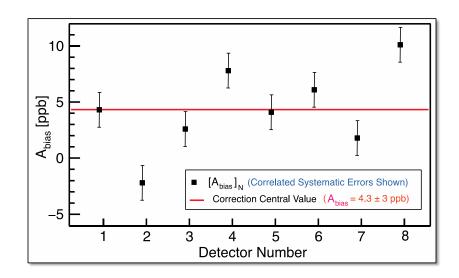
- The electron showering through lead radiator can become polarization-dependent via multiple scattering
- Only significant after is E<30 MeV or so, for large angles
- Cancellation between positive asymmetry for small angle scattering, negative for large angle scattering
- Electron ends up more likely to point toward one PMT, depending on its incident polarization

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Estimated Residual Bias from Polarization Sensitive Detectors

- This should cancel: positive asymmetry in one PMT, negative in the other
- Quality of cancellation depends on imperfections in each bar optical properties and alignment
- Monte Carlo simulation of light collection used to estimate Abias for each bar, based on observed response and measured geometry





A_{bias} = 4.3 ± 3.0 ppb

Asymmetry and Net Corrections

weight:	20%	80%
Quantity	Run 1	Run 2
$A_{\rm raw}$	$-192.7\pm13.2~\mathrm{ppb}$	$-170.7 \pm 7.3 \text{ ppb}$
$A_{ m T}$	0 ± 1.1 ppb	$0\pm0.7~\mathrm{ppb}$
$A_{ m L}$	$1.3\pm1.0~\rm{ppb}$	$1.2\pm0.9~\rm{ppb}$
$A_{ m BCM}$	0 ± 4.4 ppb	$0\pm2.1~\mathrm{ppb}$
$A_{ m BB}$	$3.9 \pm 4.5 \text{ ppb}$	-2.4 ± 1.1 ppb
$A_{ m beam}$	$18.5\pm4.1~\rm{ppb}$	$0.0 \pm 1.1 \text{ ppb}$
$A_{ m bias}$	$4.3\pm3.0~\rm{ppb}$	$4.3\pm3.0~\rm{ppb}$
P	$87.7\pm1.1\%$	$88.71 \pm 0.55\%$
f_1	$2.471 \pm 0.056\%$	$2.516 \pm 0.059\%$
A_1	$1.514\pm0.077~\rm{ppm}$	$1.515\pm0.077~\rm{ppm}$
f_2	$0.193 \pm 0.064\%$	$0.193 \pm 0.064\%$
f_3	$0.12\pm0.20\%$	$0.06\pm0.12\%$
A_3	$-0.39\pm0.16~\rm{ppm}$	$-0.39\pm0.16\mathrm{ppm}$
f_4	$0.018 \pm 0.004\%$	$0.018 \pm 0.004\%$
A_4	$-3.0\pm1.0~\rm{ppm}$	$-3.0\pm1.0\mathrm{ppm}$
$R_{ m RC}$	1.010 ± 0.005	1.010 ± 0.005
$R_{ m Det}$	0.9895 ± 0.0021	0.9895 ± 0.0021
$R_{ m Acc}$	0.977 ± 0.002	0.977 ± 0.002
R_{Q^2}	0.9927 ± 0.0056	1.0 ± 0.0056

Raw Asymmetry ~ 175 ± 6.4 ppb

Aluminum windows, 2.5% background, but A_{PV} = 1.5ppm (-7X the proton A_{PV}) so about 20% correction

Summary of Measurement

Period	Asymmetry (ppb)	Stat. Unc.	(ppb)	Syst	. Unc. (p	pb)	Tot.	Uncertainty (ppb)
Run 1	-223.5	15.0			10.1			18.0
Run 2	-227.2	8.3		5.6			10.0	
Run 1 and 2 combined								
with correlations	-226.5	7.3		5.8			9.3	
							·	
Quantity		Run 1	Run	1	$\operatorname{Run} 2$]	Run 2	
			fraction	nale	error (ppb) fra	action	al
BCM Nor	BCM Normalization: $A_{\rm BCM}$		25%	0	2.3		17%	
Beamline	Beamline Background: A_{BB}		25%		1.2		5%	
Beam Asy	Beam Asymmetries: A_{beam}		22%	0	1.2		5%	
Rescatteri	Rescattering bias: A_{bias}		11%		3.4		37%	
Beam Pola	Beam Polarization: P		5%		1.2		4%	
Target win	Target windows: A_{b1}		4%		1.9		12%	
Kinematic	Kinematics: R_{Q^2}		2%		1.3		5%	
Total of or	otal of others		6%		2.2		15%	
Combined	Combined in quadrature				5.6			

APV and Extracting Qweak

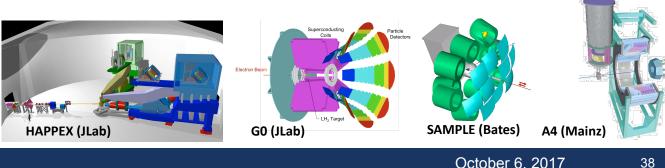
A_{PV} depends on the proton form-factors

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

Assuming charge symmetry, the weak form-factors relate to electromagnetic form factors of the proton and neutron

$$4G_{E,M}^{pZ} = (1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W)G_{E,M}^{p\gamma} - G_{E,M}^{n\gamma} - G_{E,M}^{s}$$
Wroton
Weak
Weak
Charge
Electromagnetic Strange Quark
Form Factors
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WNC elastic form-factors have
been well studied in search of
intrinsic nucleonic strangeness

Results on strangeness is linked to which EMFF data you choose to believe (Ben Gilbert)



Form

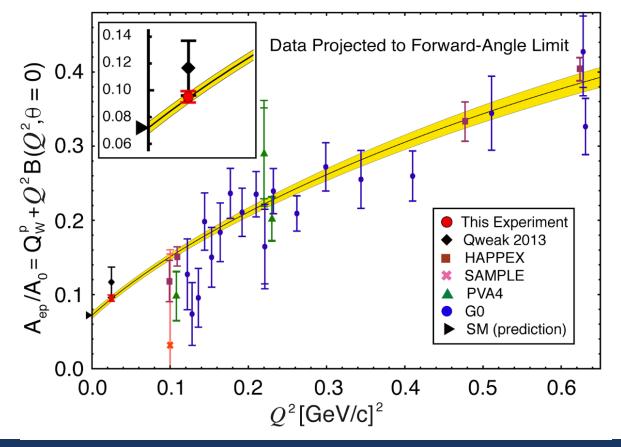
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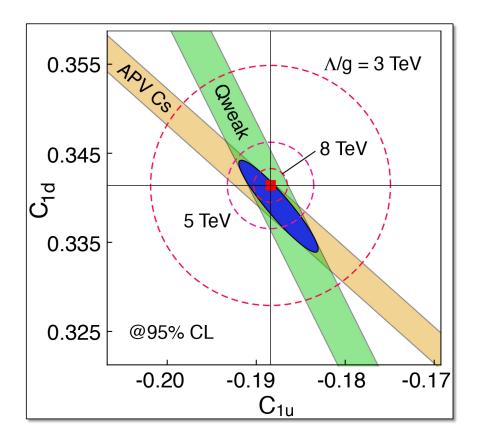
Extracting Qweak Results

Parameterization of electromagnetic form-factors Fit for: weak charge, strangeness, axial form-factors



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Weak Neutral Current Quark Vector Couplings



Fit with APV in ¹³³Cs (recent corrections from Flambaum)

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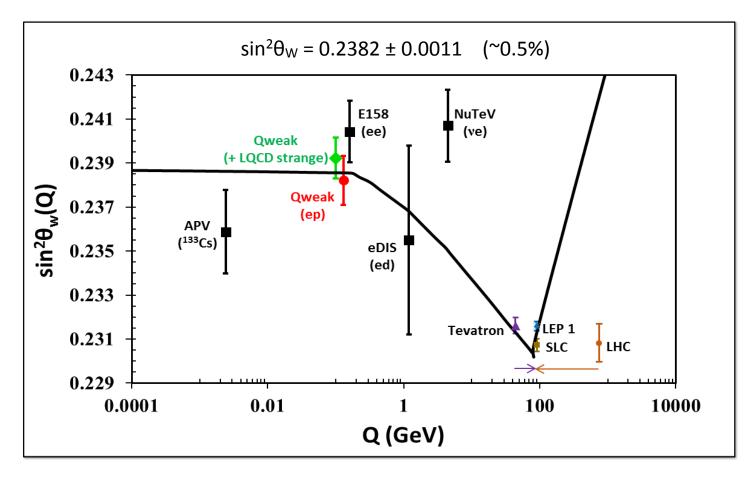
with usual convention for contact interactions

$$g = \sqrt{4\pi}$$

the exclusion limits are

$$\frac{\lambda}{g} \approx 7.5 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow \lambda \approx 27 \text{ TeV}$$

Weak Mixing Angle



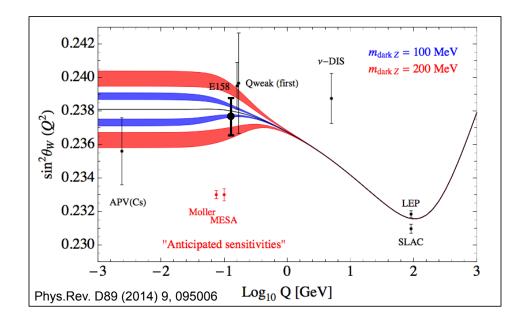
Solid Curve by: J. Erler, M. Ramsey-Musolf and P. Langacker

Dark Z

Dark photon, couples to Dark Sector massive particles but with small E&M couplings to known matter

511keV line in galactic core, Pamela high energy positron excess, $(g-2)_{\mu}$ discrepancy

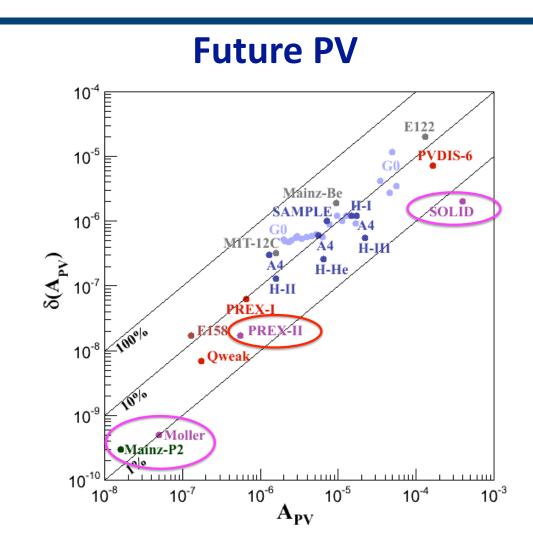
New model: a dark Z_d^0 with no coupling to the 3 known generations of matter, but mass mixing with the Z^0



Davoudiasl, Lee, Marciano Phys.Rev.Lett. 109 (2012) 031802 Phys.Rev. D85 (2012) 115019 Phys.Rev. D92 (2015) 5, 055005

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Weak Charge Distribution of Heavy Nuclei

Electric charge

Weak charge

for spin-0 nucleus

proton

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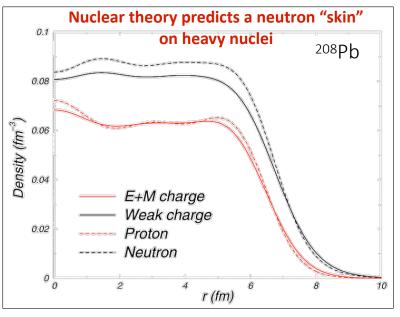
~0.08

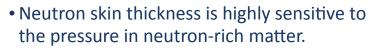
 $A_{\rm PV} \approx \frac{G_{\rm F}Q^2}{4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \frac{F_{\rm W}}{F_{\rm ch}}$

neutron

0

1

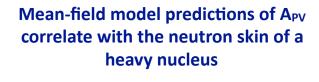


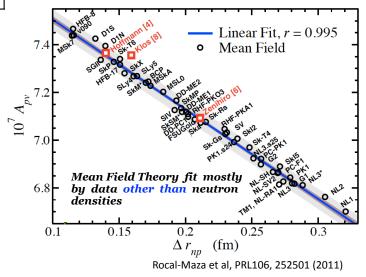


• The greater the pressure, the thicker the skin as neutrons are pushed out against surface tension.

Knowledge of r_n highly model dependent, not well constrained by robust measurements

YZ

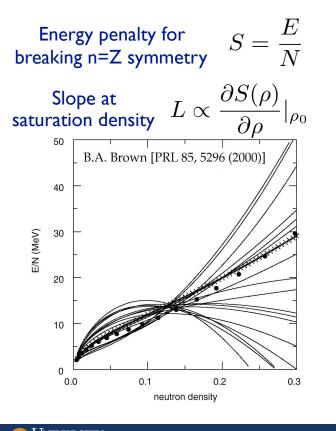




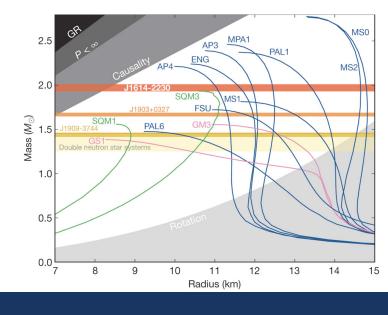
R_n of ²⁰⁸Pb: Equation of state for neutron-rich nuclear matter

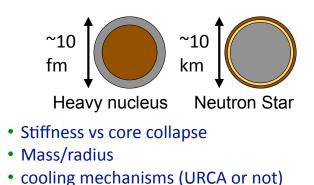
Density Dependence of Symmetry Energy

A_{PV} from ²⁰⁸Pb provides a clean measure of L, testing the description of nuclear matter



Isovector properties are not well measured. Models informed mostly by measurements of properties sensitive to p+n.

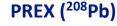




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Measuring Neutron Skins at JLab

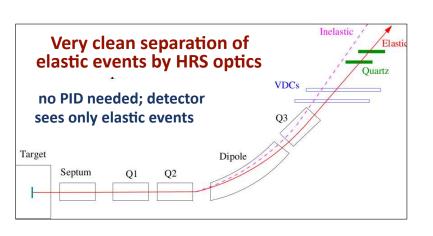


- important check on nuclear structure data set
- uniform nuclear matter
- terrestrial laboratory for n-star matter
 CREX (⁴⁸Ca)
- isovector probe in moderate size system
- finite size effects
- Within reach of microscopic calculations

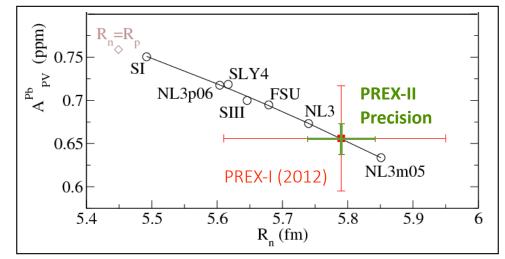
Spring 2019:

PREX (3% APV, rn to 0.06 fm) CREX (2.5% APV, rn to 0.02 fm)

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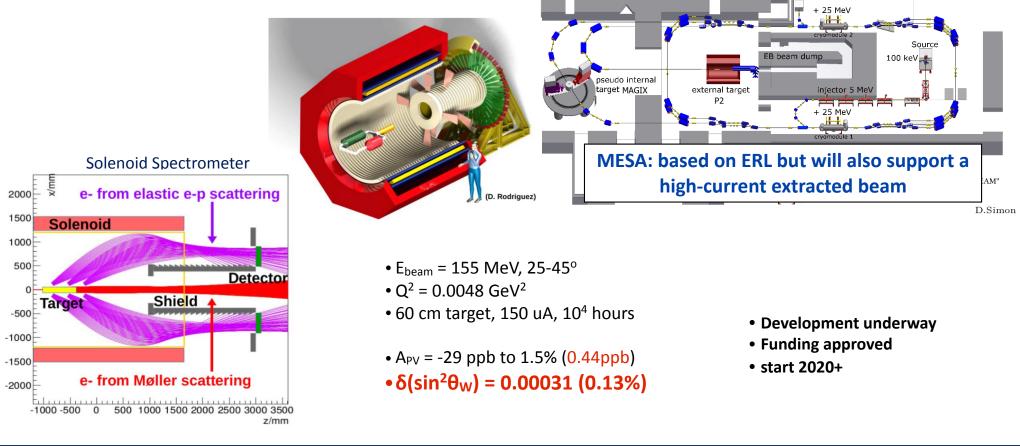
HRS in Hall A



P2 at MESA / Mainz

Qweak: proton structure F contributes ~30% to asymmetry, ~2% to $\delta(Q_W^p)/Q_W^p$

Negligible for significantly lower Q²

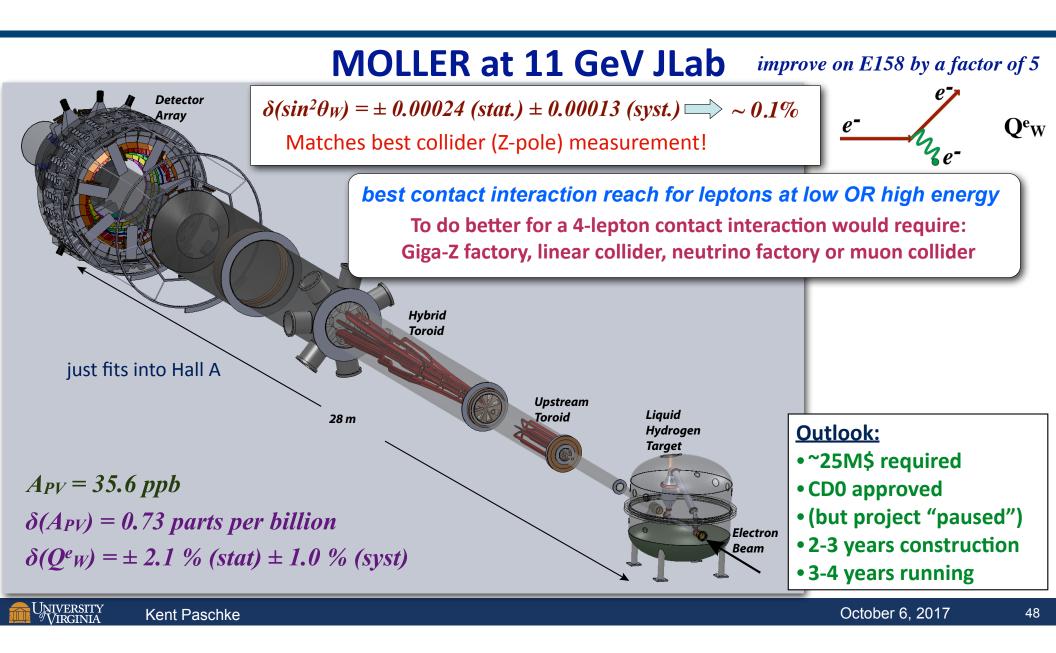


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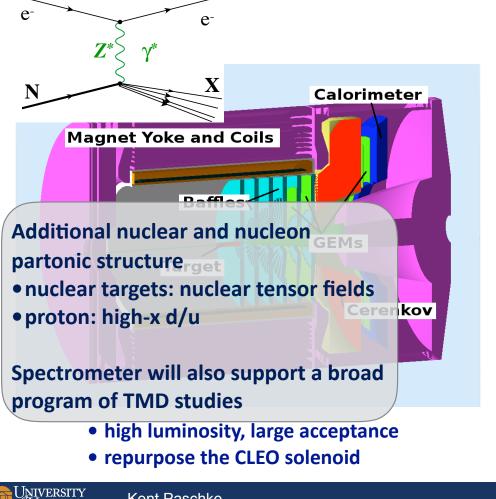
SPIN 2016 - Urbana/Champaign

RL beam dump

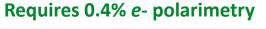


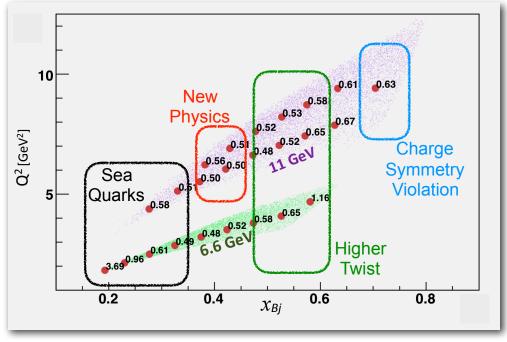
SOLID

PV-DIS: controlling hadronic contributions requires precise kinematics and broad range



Strategy: sub-1% precision over broad kinematic range: sensitive Standard Model test and detailed study of hadronic structure contributions





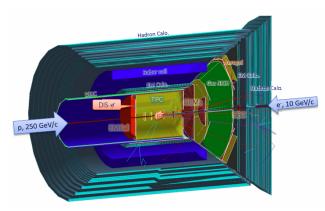
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PV-DIS at EIC

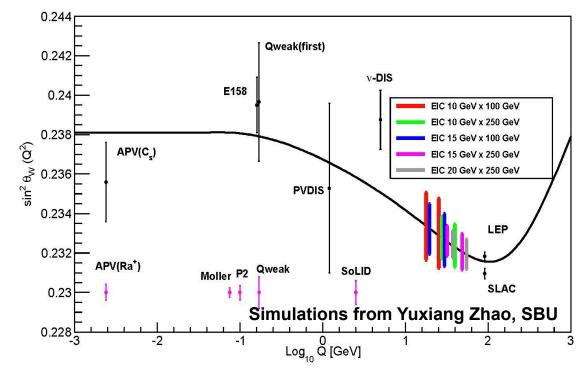
EIC can access interesting Q² region with PV-DIS - no past or planned measurements

Assumptions:

- Dedicated deuterium run
- This measure will average over ²H polarization
- 200 days of beam time
- Int. Lumi. ~267 fb⁻¹(incl. eff.)



Simulated using "Day-1 EIC detector" described in ePHENIX LOI



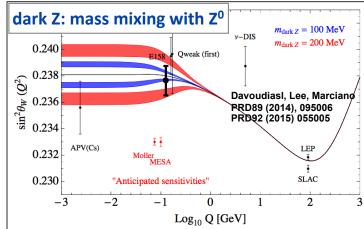
Polarimetry ~0.5% for highest energy, luminosity
Differential luminosity precision ~5x10⁻⁴

New Physics Complementarity

Best Collider δ(sin²θ_W): A_l(SLD): 0.00026 A_{fb}(LEP): 0.00029

Future projections, similar time scale: Final Tevatron: ~ 0.00046 LHC 14 TeV, 300 fb⁻¹ : ~ 0.00036 Note: pdf uncertainties MOLLER: ~ 0.00028

Mainz P2: ~ 0.00032

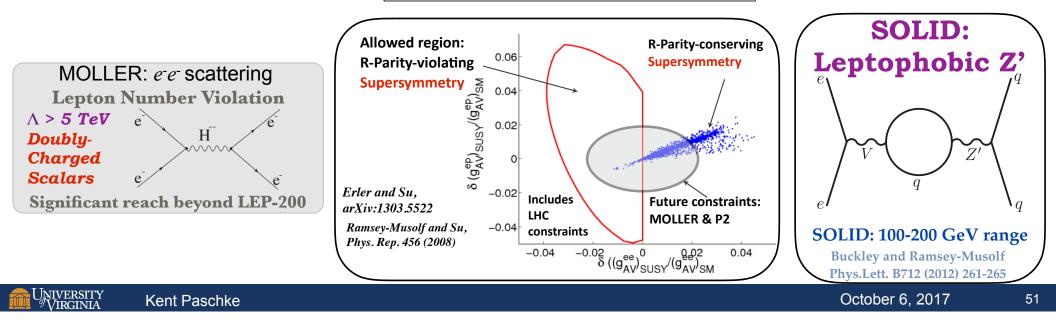


mass reach

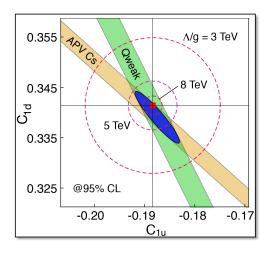
assumptions on isospin structure, strong coupling

E158	~17 TeV
PV-DIS-6	~8 TeV
Qweak	~27 TeV
MOLLER	~39 TeV
P2	~49 TeV
SOLID	~22 TeV

Erler et al., Ann.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci. (2014)



Summary



A measurement of the proton weak charge has been completed, providing a new tight constraint on possible new physics

New challenges arise with increasing precision. The experiments are hard, but worth it.

Unprecedented precision enabled by technological advances, preparing for the next generation of PVES experiments

Electroweak Physics with PVES is a powerful component of the low energy fundamental symmetries program

• P2, SOLID, MOLLER: Future Flagship experiments for electron beam facilities

Search for new interactions from 100 MeV to 10s of TeV

Neutron skin provides a crucial check on nuclear structure theory

A rich experimental program is envisioned over the next 10 years at Jefferson Lab and Mainz MESA facility