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# Towards polarized antiprotons at FAIR

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# Motivation

Nucleon structure: polarized reactions

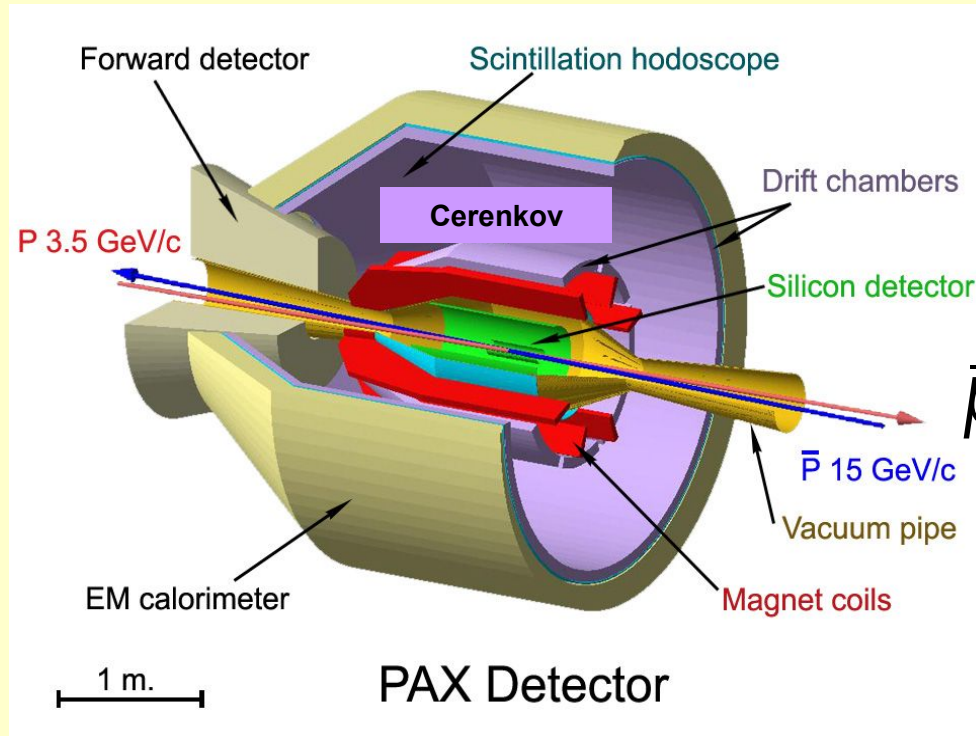
Parton distribution: transversity

pbar-p elastic

$$p^\uparrow \bar{p}^\uparrow \rightarrow p \bar{p}$$

Proton EFFs

$$p^\uparrow \bar{p}^\uparrow \rightarrow e^+ e^-$$



Drell-Yan

$$p^\uparrow \bar{p}^\uparrow \rightarrow e^+ e^- X$$

SSA

$$\bar{p} p^\uparrow \rightarrow DX, l^+ l^- X$$

Charmonium

$$p^\uparrow \bar{p}^\uparrow \rightarrow J/\psi X$$

Fixed target experiment ( $\sqrt{s} < 2 \text{ GeV}$ ):  
 pol./unpol. pbar beam ( $p < 4 \text{ GeV/c}$ )  
 internal H polarized target

Asymmetric collider ( $\sqrt{s} = 15 \text{ GeV}$ ):  
 polarized antiprotons in HESR ( $p = 15 \text{ GeV/c}$ )  
 polarized protons in CSR ( $p = 3.5 \text{ GeV/c}$ )

# PAX Collaboration

180 physicists  
35 institutions (15 EU, 20 NON-EU)

## TIMELINE

- Jan. 04 Letter of Intent for FAIR
- Jan. 05 Technical Report for FAIR
- Nov. 05 LoI to CERN-SPSC to perform spin-filtering experiments with antiprotons at the AD ring
- Apr. 06 LoI to COSY-PAC for spin filtering experiments with protons at COSY
- Sep. 06 LoI to COSY-PAC for beam-depolarization studies
- Jun. 07 2 weeks beam-lifetimes studies at COSY
- Nov. 07 2 weeks polarization lifetime studies at COSY

# Evaluation by QCD-PAC (March 2005)

... the PAC would like to stress again the **uniqueness of the program with polarized anti-protons and polarized protons** that could become available at GSI.

## Recommendation of the STI of FAIR (Sept. 2005)

The STI requests R&D work to be continued on the proposed asymmetric collider experiment with both polarized anti-protons and protons:

- to demonstrate that the required luminosity for decisive measurements can be reached
- to demonstrate that a high degree of anti-proton polarisation can be reached

**The STI believes that PAX should become part of the FAIR core research program based on its strong scientific merit once the open problems are convincingly solved.**

# Polarized antiprotons

Long story! 1<sup>st</sup> workshop in Bodega Bay (1985)

Workshop on Polarized Antiprotons: Daresbury (UK) 29.08-31.08.07

## Intense beam of polarized pbar never produced:

- Synchrotron radiation  $\sim \mu(\gamma^4/R) \rightarrow \tau_{\text{pol}} \sim 10^7$  y in 20 TeV pbar ring
- Conventional methods (ABS) not applicable
- Polarized pbar from antilambda decay
  - $I < 1.5 \cdot 10^5 \text{ s}^{-1}$  ( $P \approx 0.35$ )
- Pbar scattering off liquid H<sub>2</sub> target
  - $I < 2 \cdot 10^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  ( $P \approx 0.2$ )

**Spin-filtering** is the only successfully tested technique

• Th. Walcher et al.:

05.2006: "An effective method for polarizing antiprotons"

Use of a polarized electron beam (withdrawn)

06.2007 "A surprising method for polarizing antiprotons"

Use of a polarized positron beam (withdrawn but...)

# Principle of spin-filtering

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \sigma_0 + \sigma_{\perp} \cdot \vec{P} \cdot \vec{Q} + \sigma_{\parallel} \cdot (\vec{P} \cdot \vec{k})(\vec{Q} \cdot \vec{k})$$

P beam polarization  
 Q target polarization  
 k || beam direction

For initially equally populated spin states:  $\uparrow$  ( $m=+\frac{1}{2}$ ) and  $\downarrow$  ( $m=-\frac{1}{2}$ )

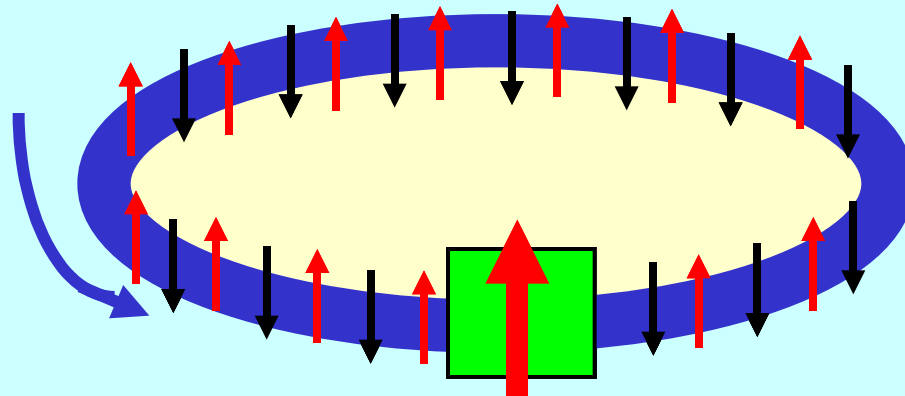
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Unpolarized  
anti-p beam



Polarized H  
target

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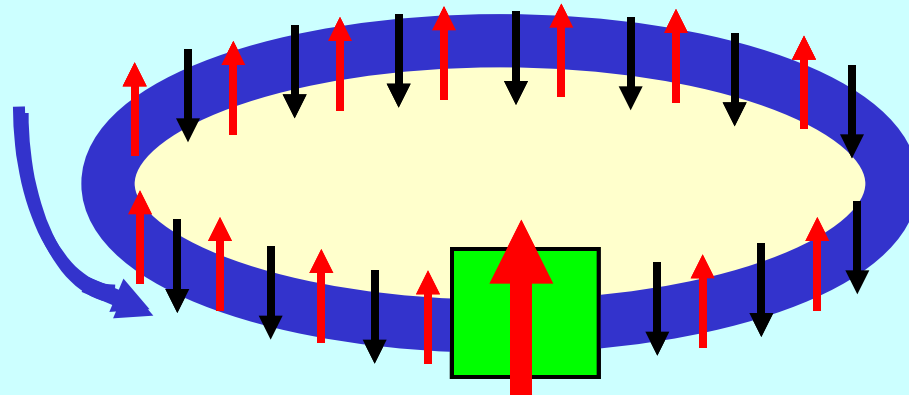
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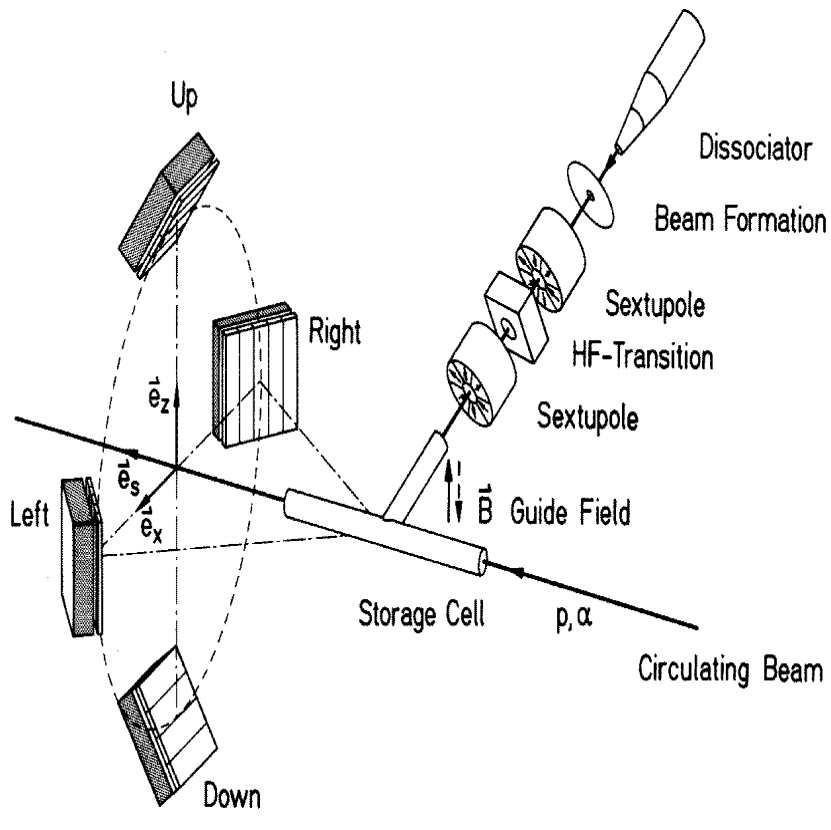
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**Polarized H**  
 target

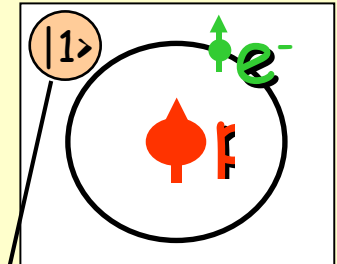
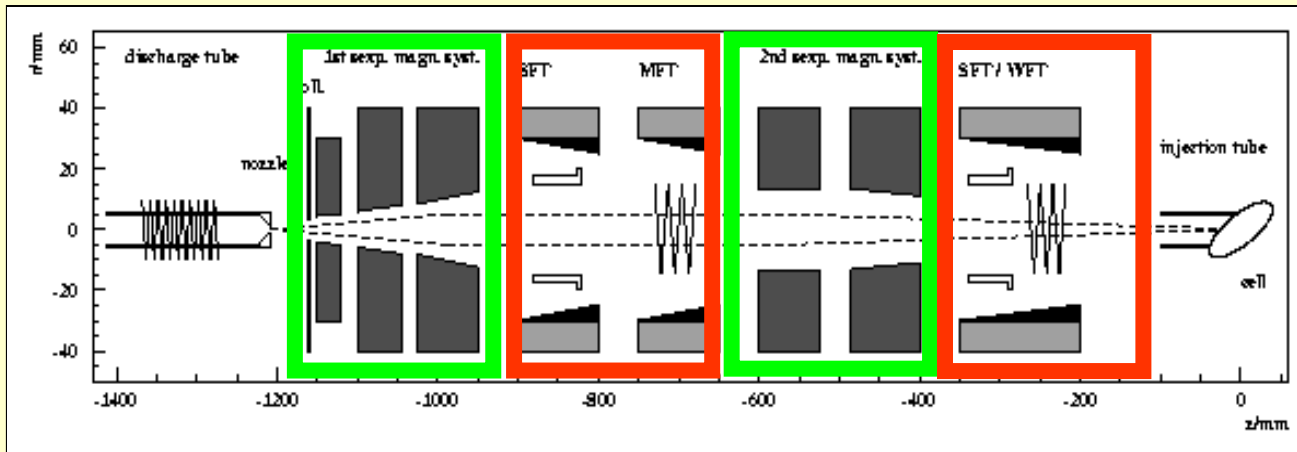
# 1992 Filter Test at TSR with protons

## Experimental Setup

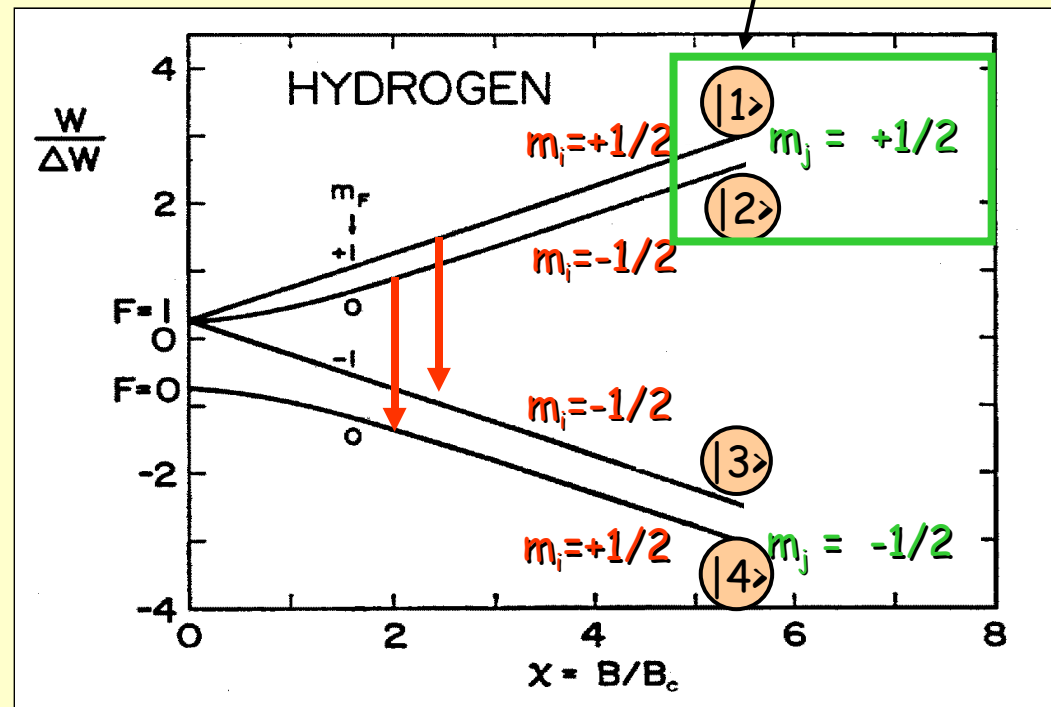




# Polarized atomic beam source



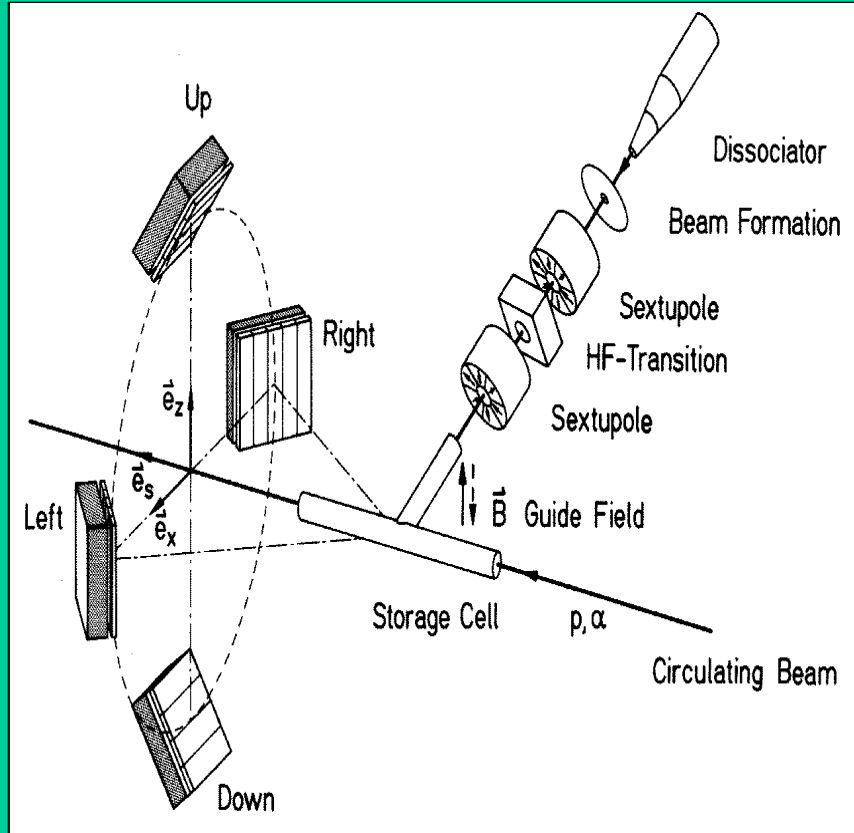
Atoms with  $m_j = +\frac{1}{2}$  focused in sextupole magnets.



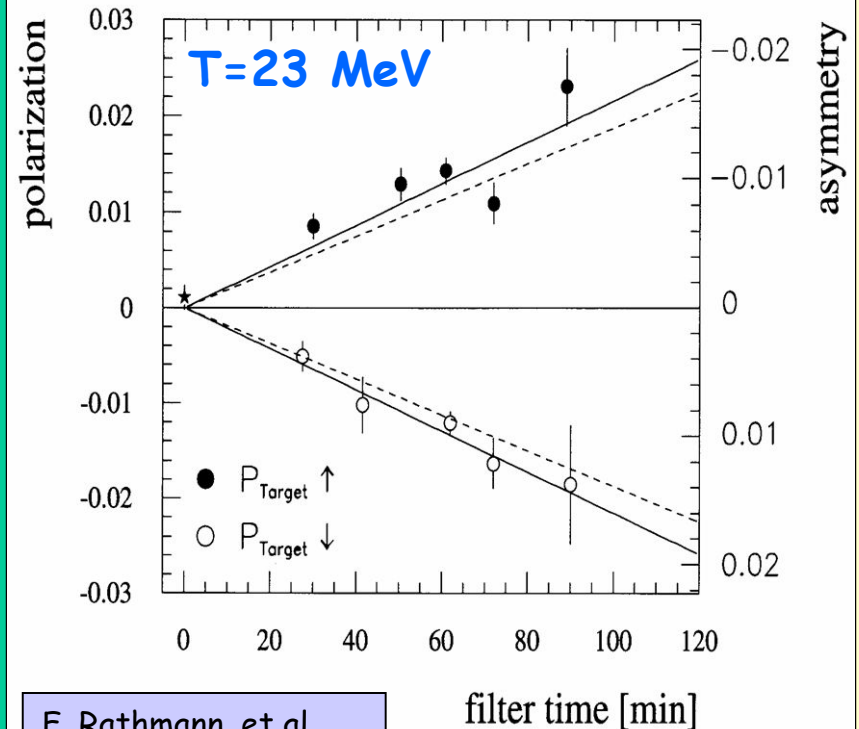
RF transitions select HFS.

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## Results



F. Rathmann. et al.,  
PRL 71, 1379 (1993)

# Two interpretations of FILTEX result

**Observed** polarization build-up:  $dP/dt = \pm (1.24 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-2} \text{ h}^{-1}$   
 $P(t) = \tanh(t/\tau_1)$ ,  $1/\tau_1 = \sigma_1 Q_d f$

$$\sigma_1 = 72.5 \pm 5.8 \text{ mb}$$

## Spin-filtering works! But how?

**1994. Meyer and Horowitz: three distinct effects**

1. Selective removal through scattering beyond  $\theta_{acc} = 4.4 \text{ mrad}$  ( $\sigma_{R\perp} = 83 \text{ mb}$ )
2. Small angle scattering of target prot. into ring acceptance ( $\sigma_{S\perp} = 52 \text{ mb}$ )
3. Spin-transfer from pol. el. of target atoms to stored prot. ( $\sigma_{E\perp} = -70 \text{ mb}$ )

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_{R\perp} + \sigma_{S\perp} + \sigma_{E\perp} = 65 \text{ mb}$$

**2005. Milstein & Strakhovenko + Nikolaev & Pavlov: only one effect**

Only p-p scattering contributes to polarization buildup ( $\sigma_{R\perp} = 85.6 \text{ mb}$ )

No contribution from polarized electrons

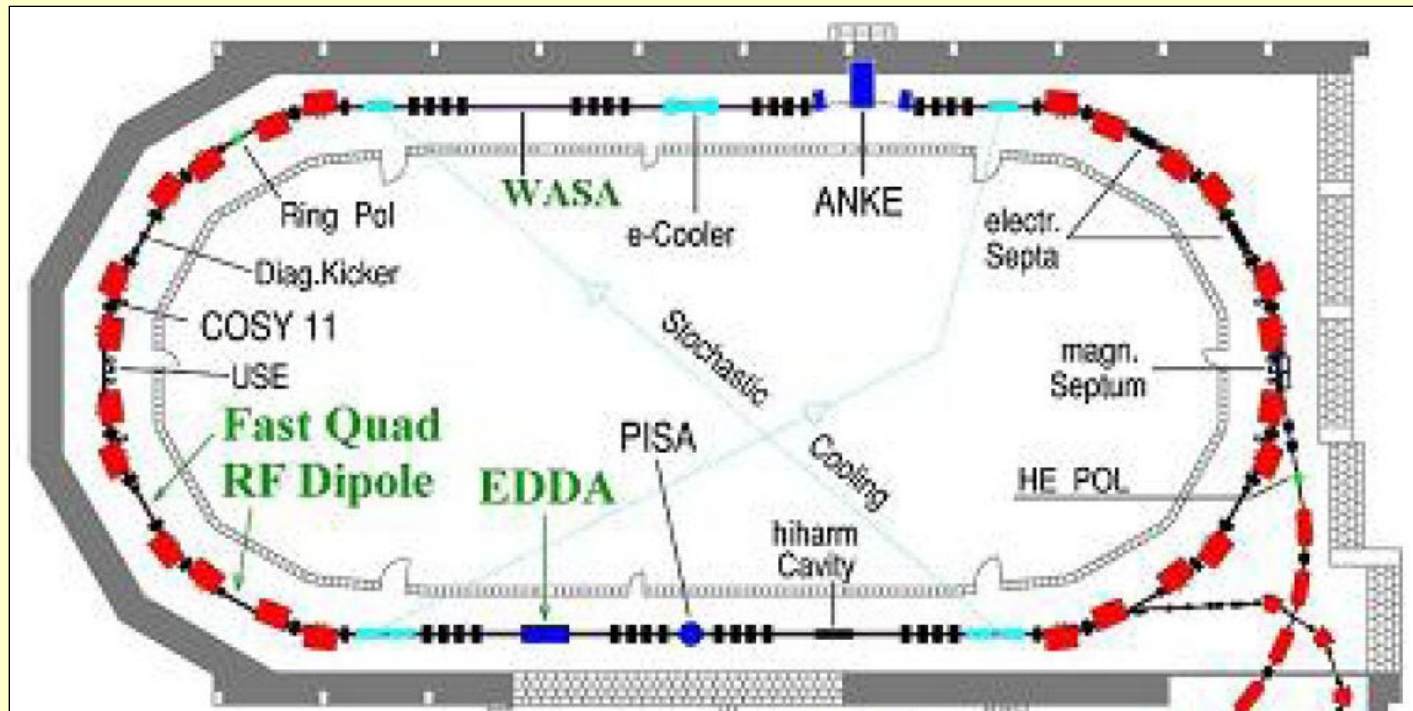
Note: Walcher's proposals regarded spin-transfer

# Spin-filtering: Present situation

Spin filtering works, but:

1. Controversial interpretations of FILTEX experiment
  - Further experimental tests necessary
  - How does spin-filtering works?
  - Which role do electrons play?
  - Tests with protons at COSY
2. No data to predict polarization from filtering with antiprotons.
  - Measurements with antiprotons at AD/CERN

# Spin-filtering studies with protons (COSY-FZJ)



Objective:

- Understanding of spin-filtering mechanism:
- Disentangle **electromagnetic and hadronic contributions** to the polarizing cross section

# How to disentangle hadronic and electromagnetic contributions to $\sigma_{\text{eff}}$ ?

## Method 1: Polarization build-up experiments

### Injection of different combinations of hyperfine states

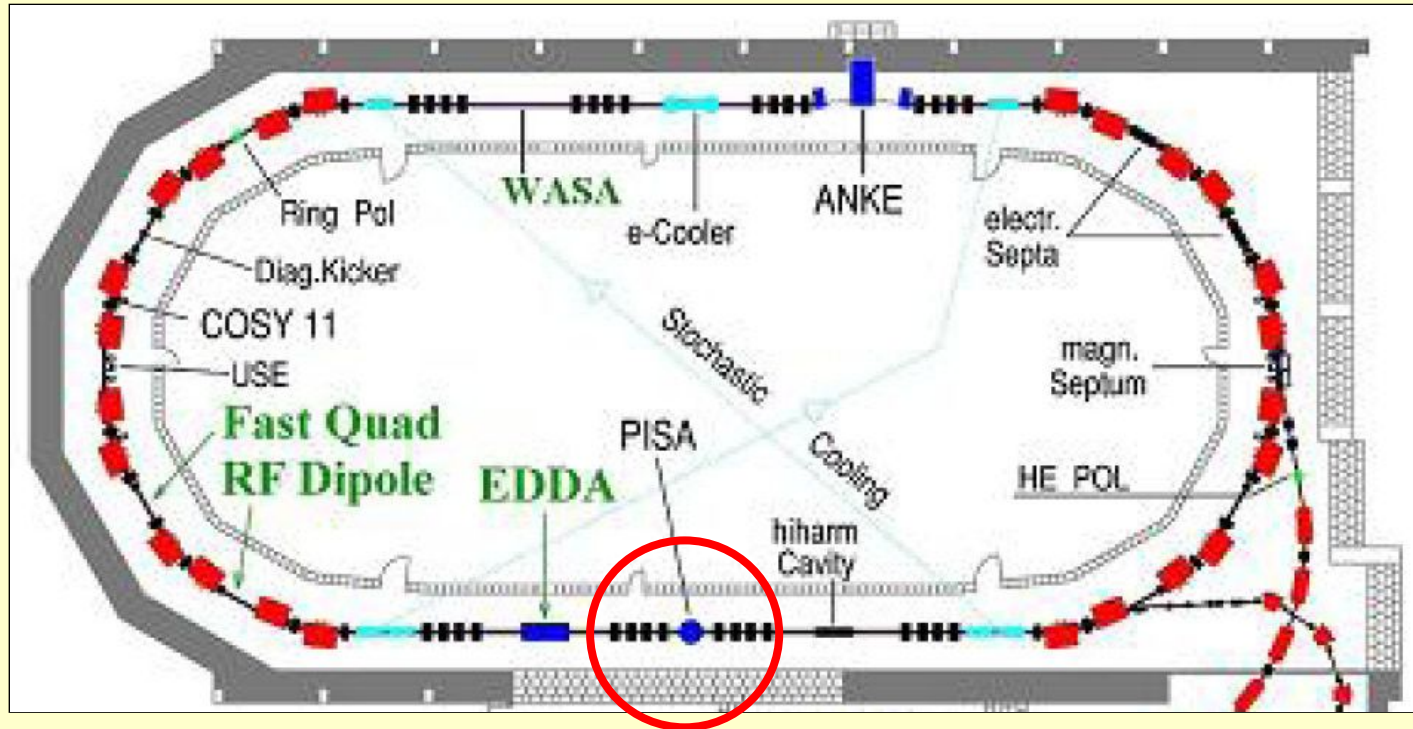
- Null experiments possible:
  - Pure electron polarized target ( $P_z = 0$ ), and
  - Pure nuclear polarized target ( $P_e = 0$ )

| Inj. states             | $P_e$ | $P_z$ | Interaction | Holding field     |              |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                         |       |       |             |                   |              |
| $ 1\rangle$             | +1    | +1    | Elm. + had. | transv. + longit. | weak (20 G)  |
| $ 1\rangle +  4\rangle$ | 0     | +1    | only had.   | longitudinal      | strong (3kG) |
| $ 1\rangle +  2\rangle$ | +1    | 0     | only elm.   |                   |              |

Strong fields can be applied only longitudinally (minimal beam interference)

- Snake necessary

## Experimental setup

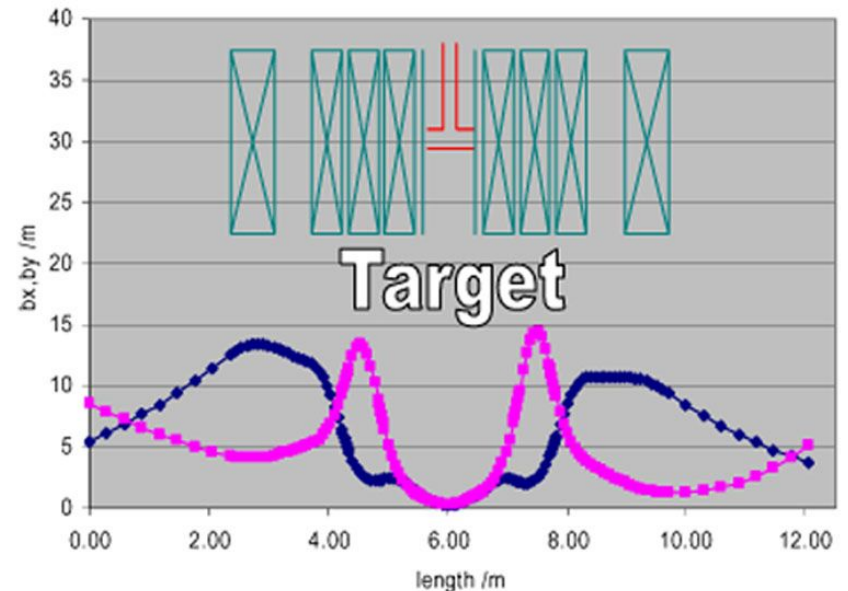
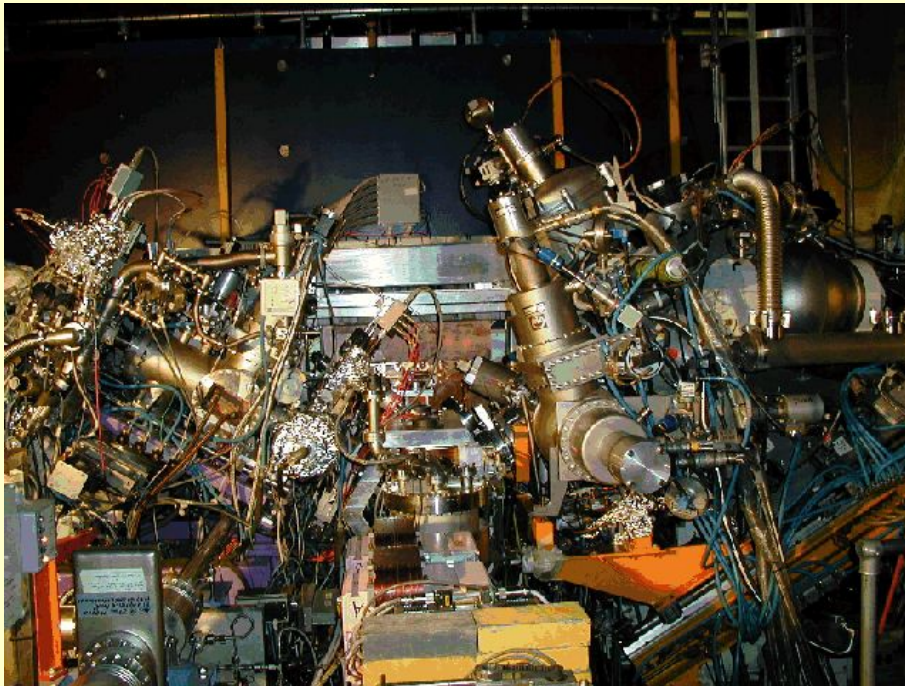


- Low-beta section
- Polarized target (former HERMES target)
- Detector
- Snake
- **Commissioning of AD setup**

## Low beta section

$\beta_{x,y}^{new} = 0.3 \text{ m}$  -> increase in density with respect to ANKE: factor 30

- Lower buildup time, higher rates
- Larger polarization buildup rate due to higher acceptance
- Use of former HERMES target



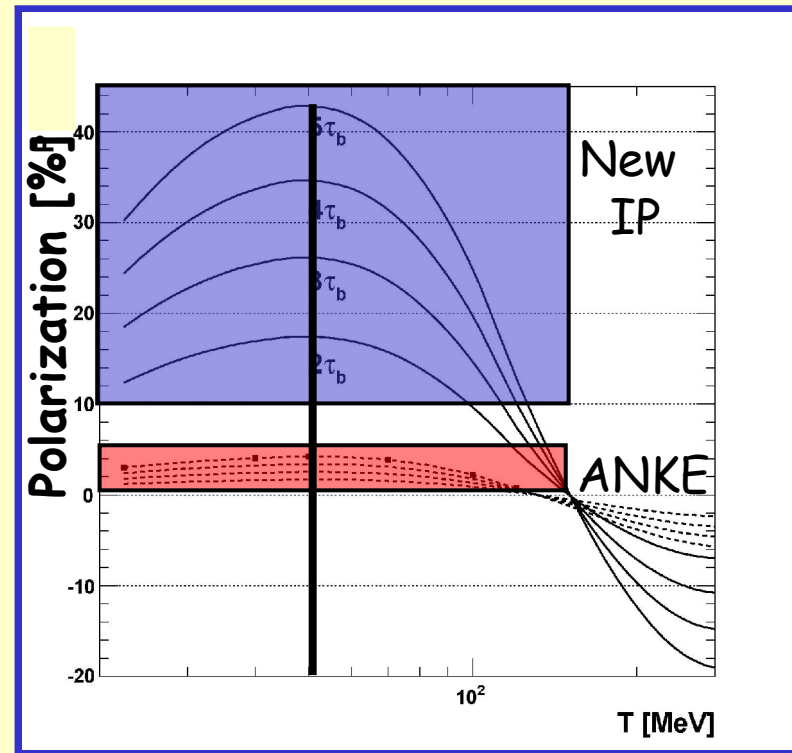
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## ANKE vs new IP: Polarization

Expectations based on Budker-Jülich for:

- $T = 40 \text{ MeV}$
- $N_{inj} = 1.5 \times 10^{10}$  protons



| PIT    | Filter. time           | Polar. | Total rate                       | Meas. Time ( $\Delta P/P=10\%$ ) |
|--------|------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ANKE   | $2\tau = 16 \text{ h}$ | 1.2 %  | $7.5 \times 10^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ | 44 min                           |
|        | $5\tau = 42 \text{ h}$ | 3.5 %  | $5 \times 10 \text{ s}^{-1}$     | 26 min                           |
| New IP | $2\tau = 5 \text{ h}$  | 16 %   | $2.2 \times 10^4 \text{ s}^{-1}$ | 1 s                              |
|        | $5\tau = 13 \text{ h}$ | 42 %   | $1.5 \times 10^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ | < 1 s                            |

## Method 2: Depolarization studies

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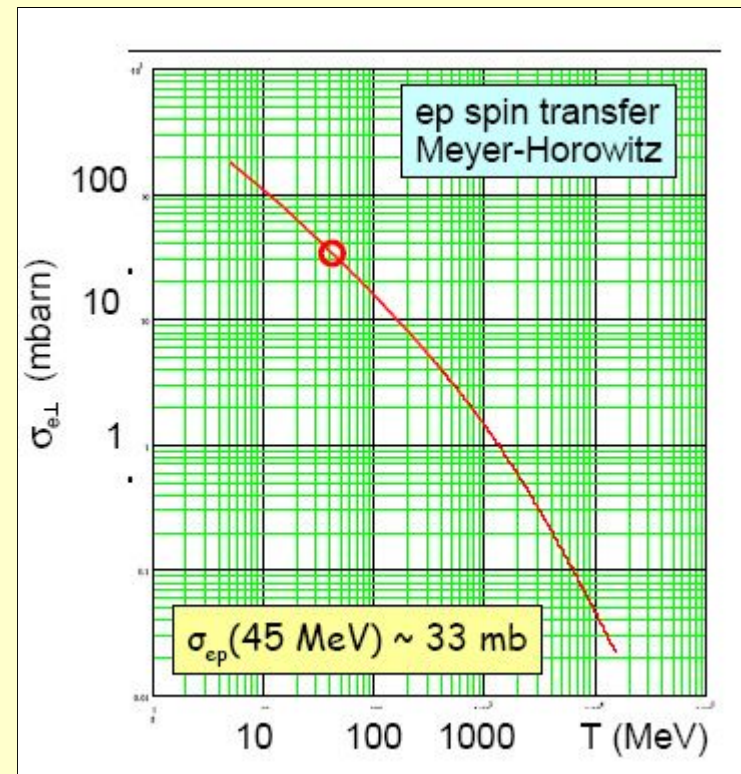
- Large analyzing power
- Large counting rate

Distinguish electron effect from depol. in COSY.

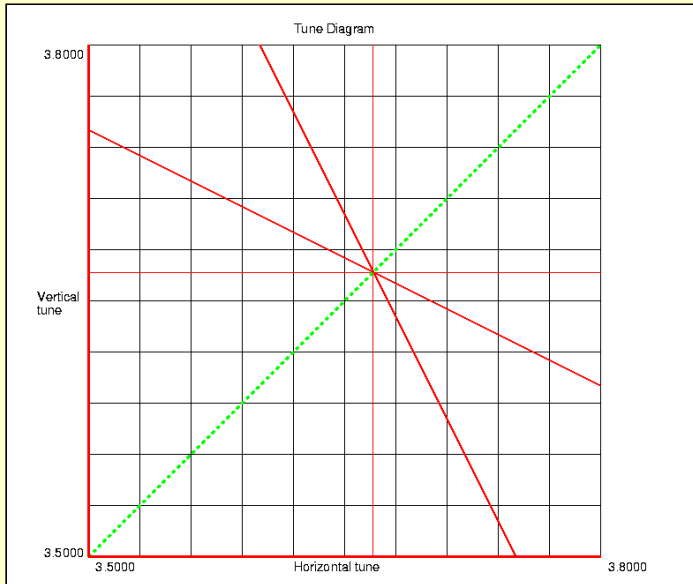
Prerequisites:

- Large beam lifetime

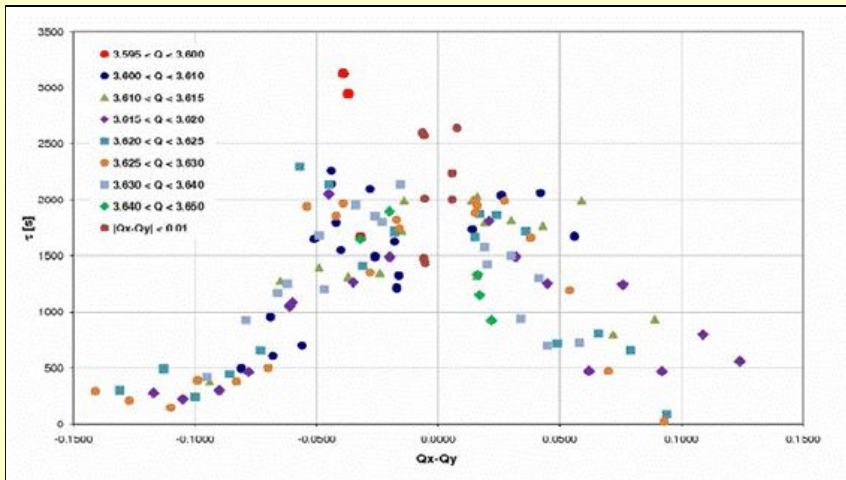
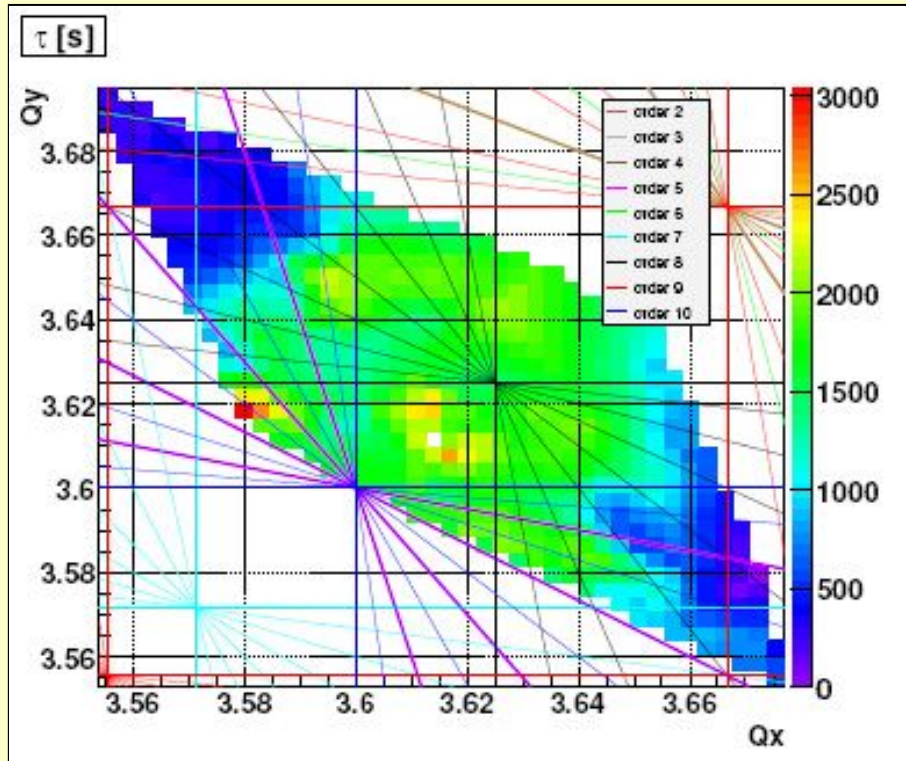
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# Beam-lifetime studies at COSY (june '07)



Up to third order



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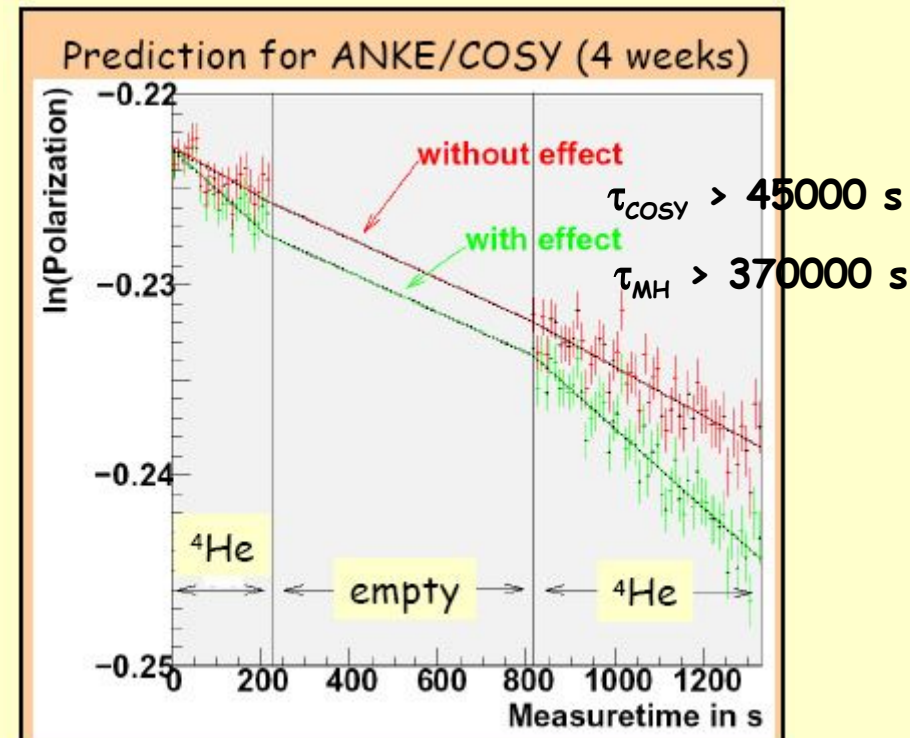
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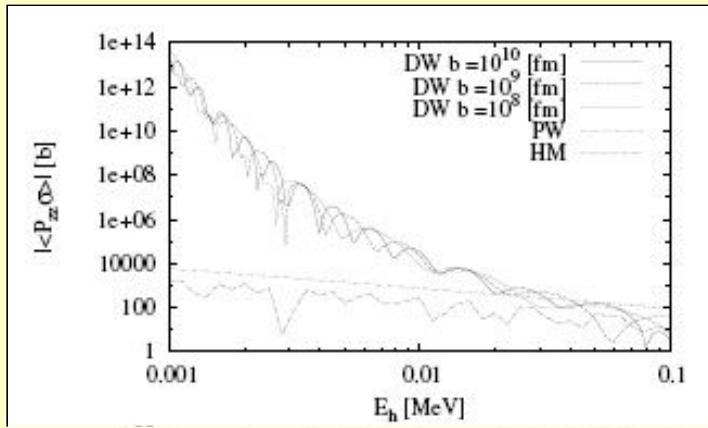


4-5  $\sigma$  effect target effect in 4 weeks of data taking

# Depolarization Studies using unpolarized Electrons

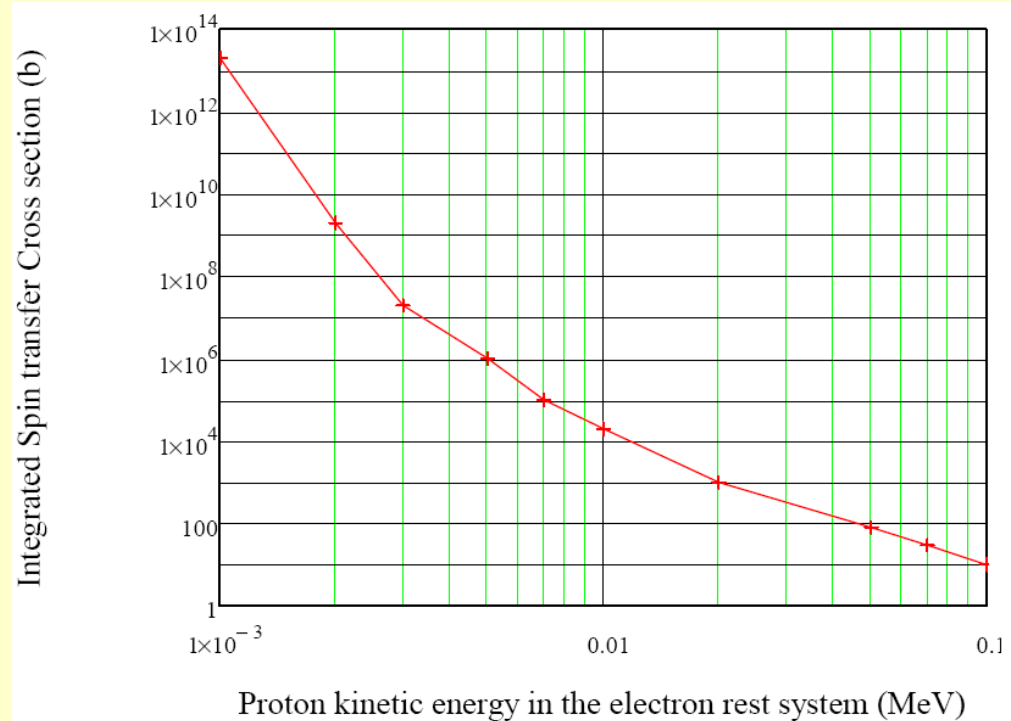
- Use electrons in ecooler instead of target electrons to observe depolarization

Motivation: Walcher-Arenhövel estimation of  $\sigma_{ep}$  spin transfer at low-relative energy



Th. Walcher, H. Arenhövel et al.  
arXiv:0706.3765

Withdrawn but  
new calculation in  
progress...

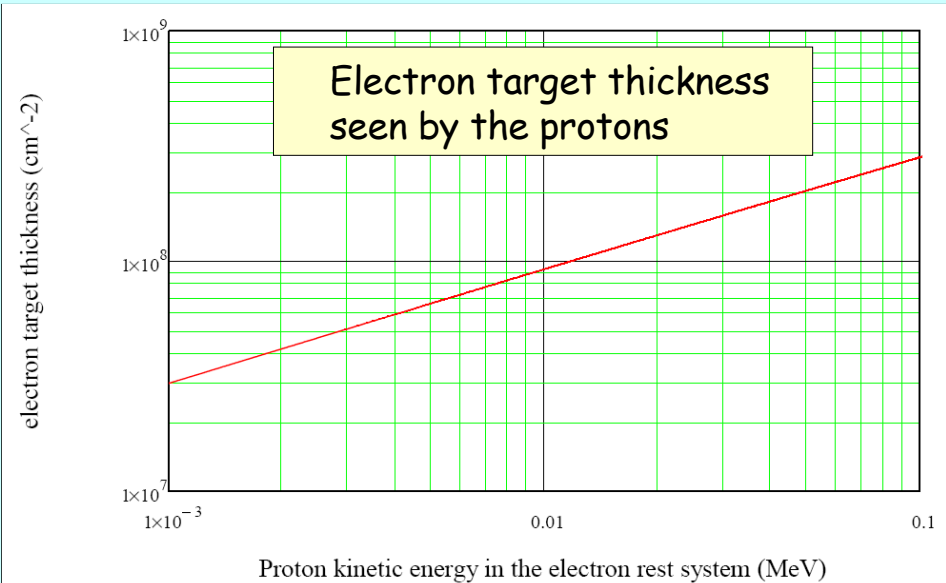
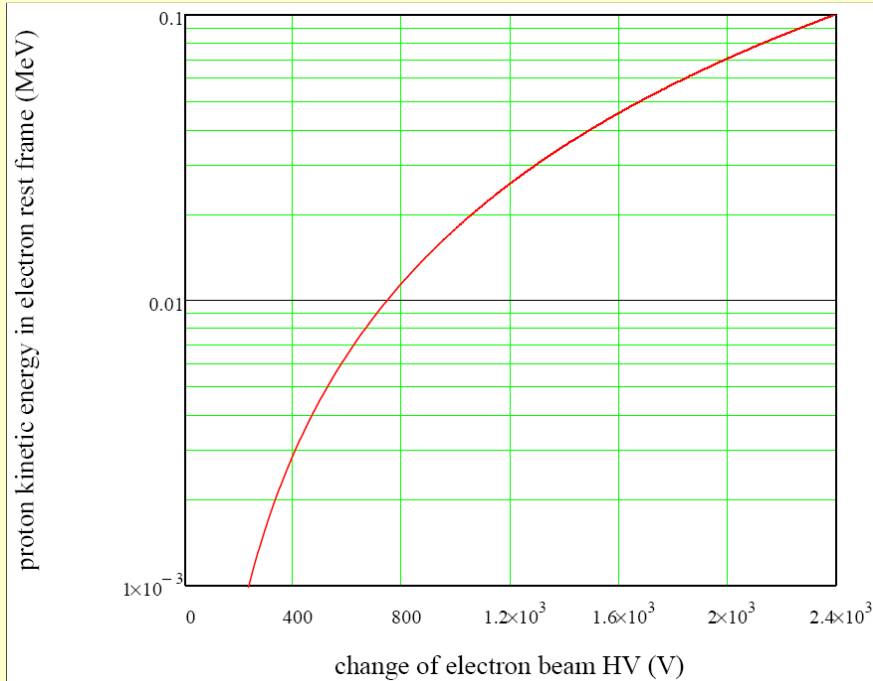


# Ecooler Settings for $T_p = 45 \text{ MeV}$

Typical parameters of COSY Cooler

- Electron Current 240 mA
- Cross section  $5 \text{ cm}^2$
- Length 2 m
- Nominal Voltage 24.5 kV

$$d_t(T_p, T_e) := \frac{I_e}{q_e} \cdot \frac{l_{\text{cooler}}}{\beta_{\text{lab}}(T_e, m_e) \cdot c_{\text{light}} \cdot A_{\text{cooler}}} \cdot \frac{(\beta_{\text{lab}}(T_e, m_e) - \beta_{\text{lab}}(T_p, m_p))}{\beta_{\text{lab}}(T_p, m_p)}$$

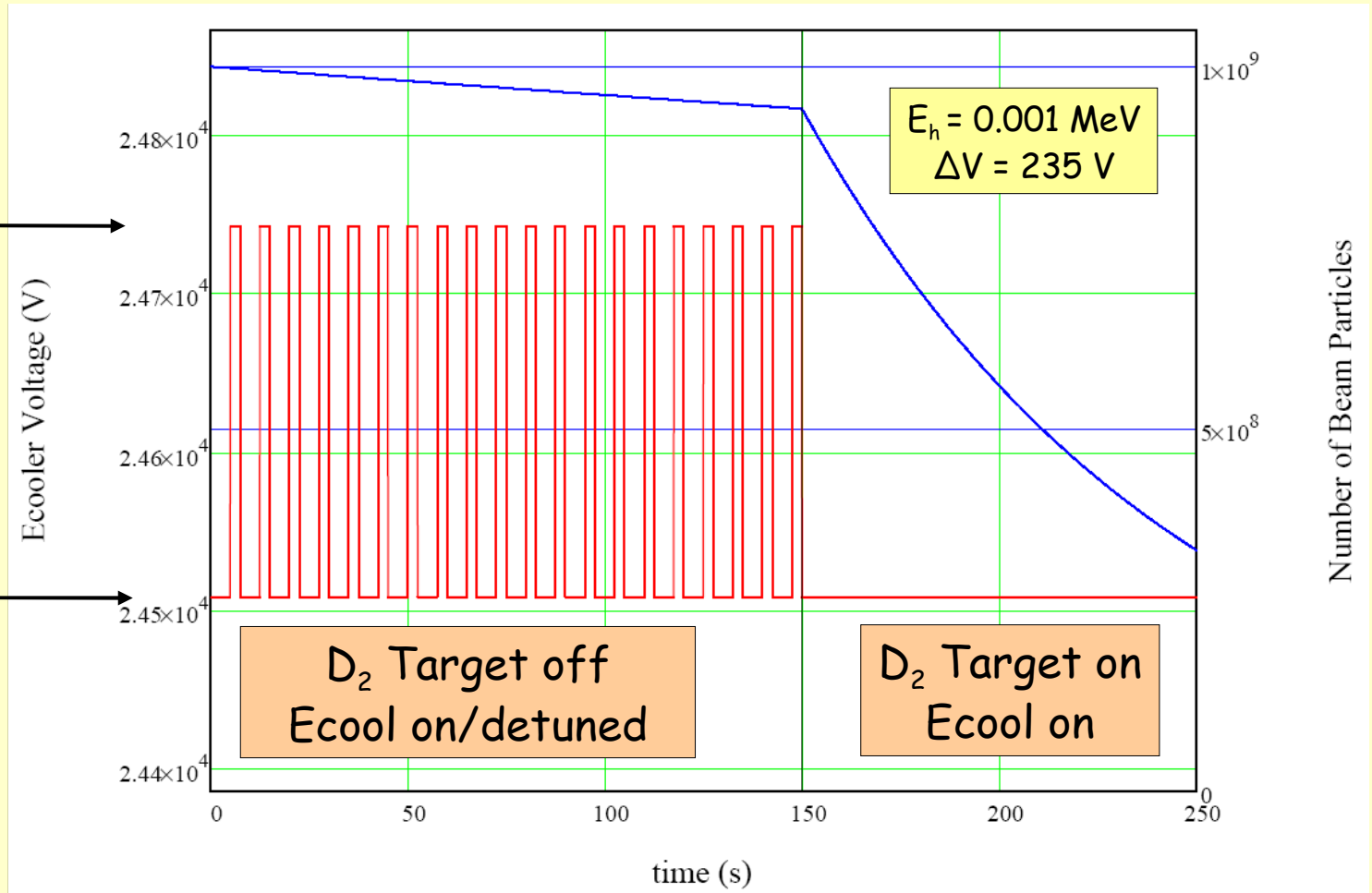


# Cycle for Depolarization Study

Detuned Cooler Voltage  
 $T_{\text{detuned}} = 50 \text{ s}$

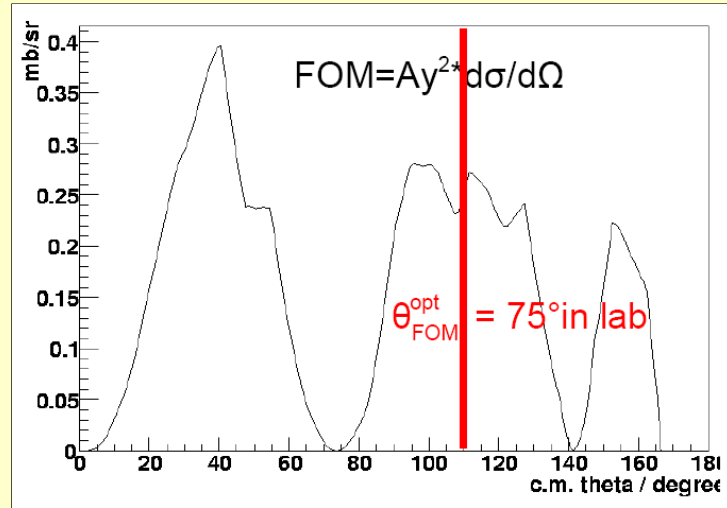
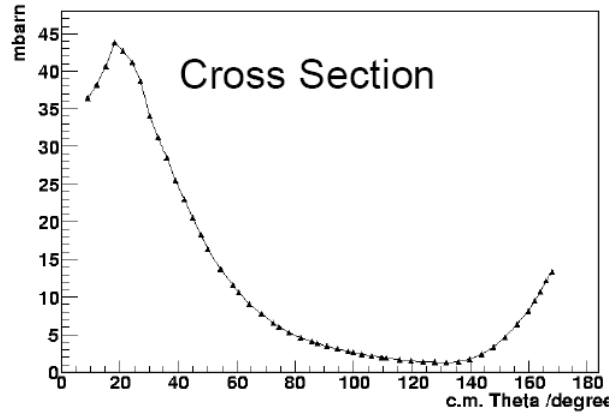
Nominal Cooler Voltage  
 $T_{\text{nominal}} = 100 \text{ s}$

$$\frac{T_{\text{nominal}}}{T_{\text{detuned}}} = 2$$

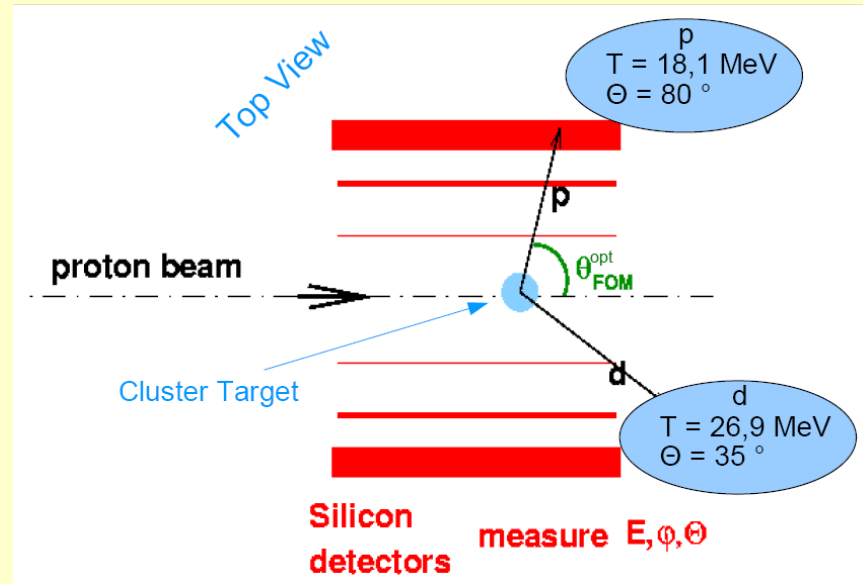
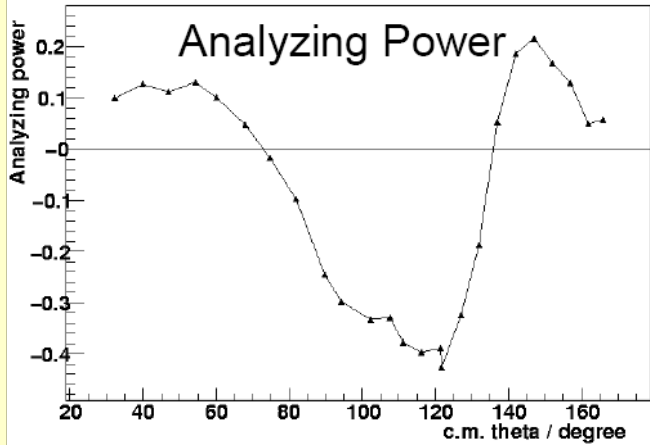


# Polarimetry

p-d at 45MeV

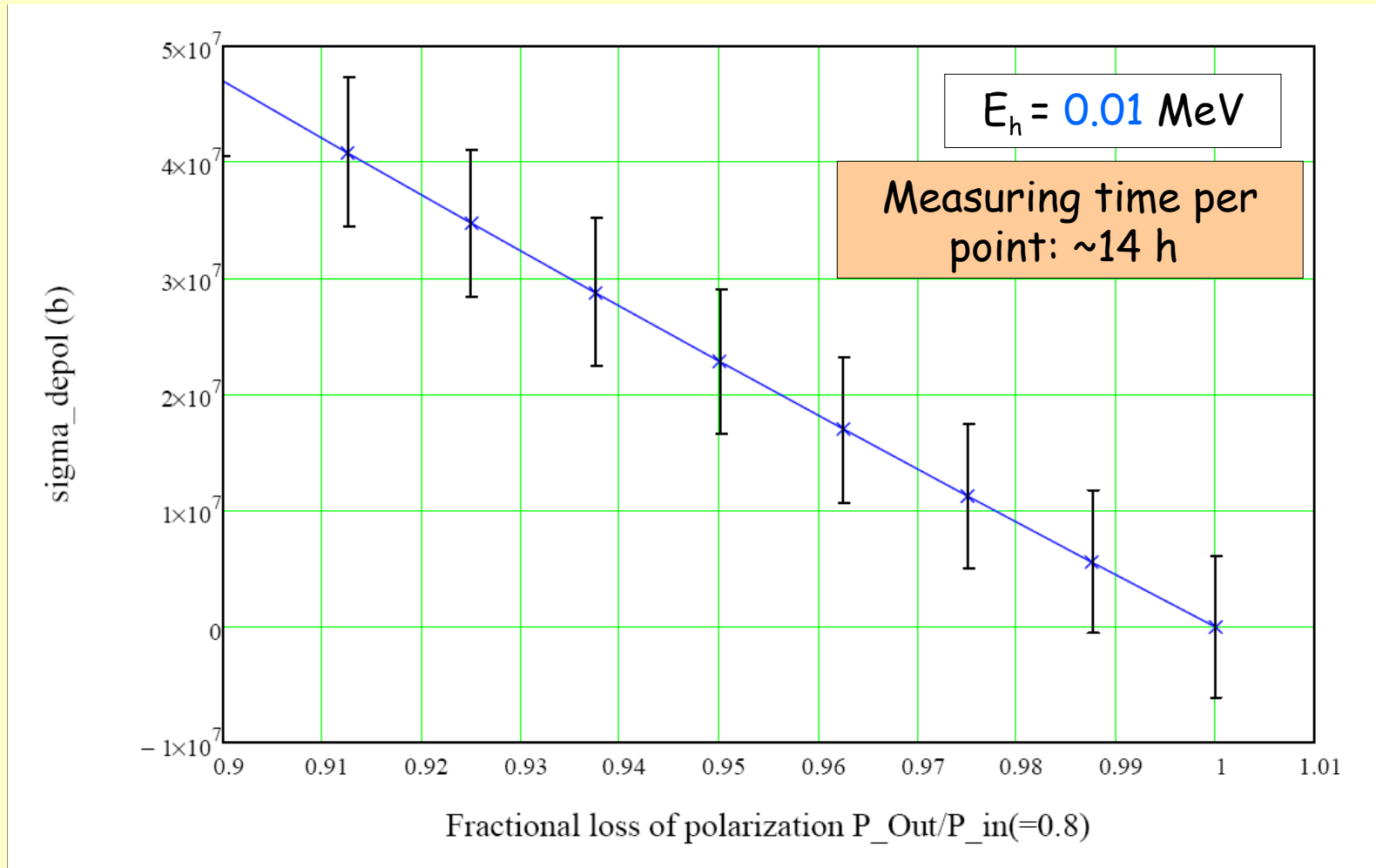


Analyzing Power



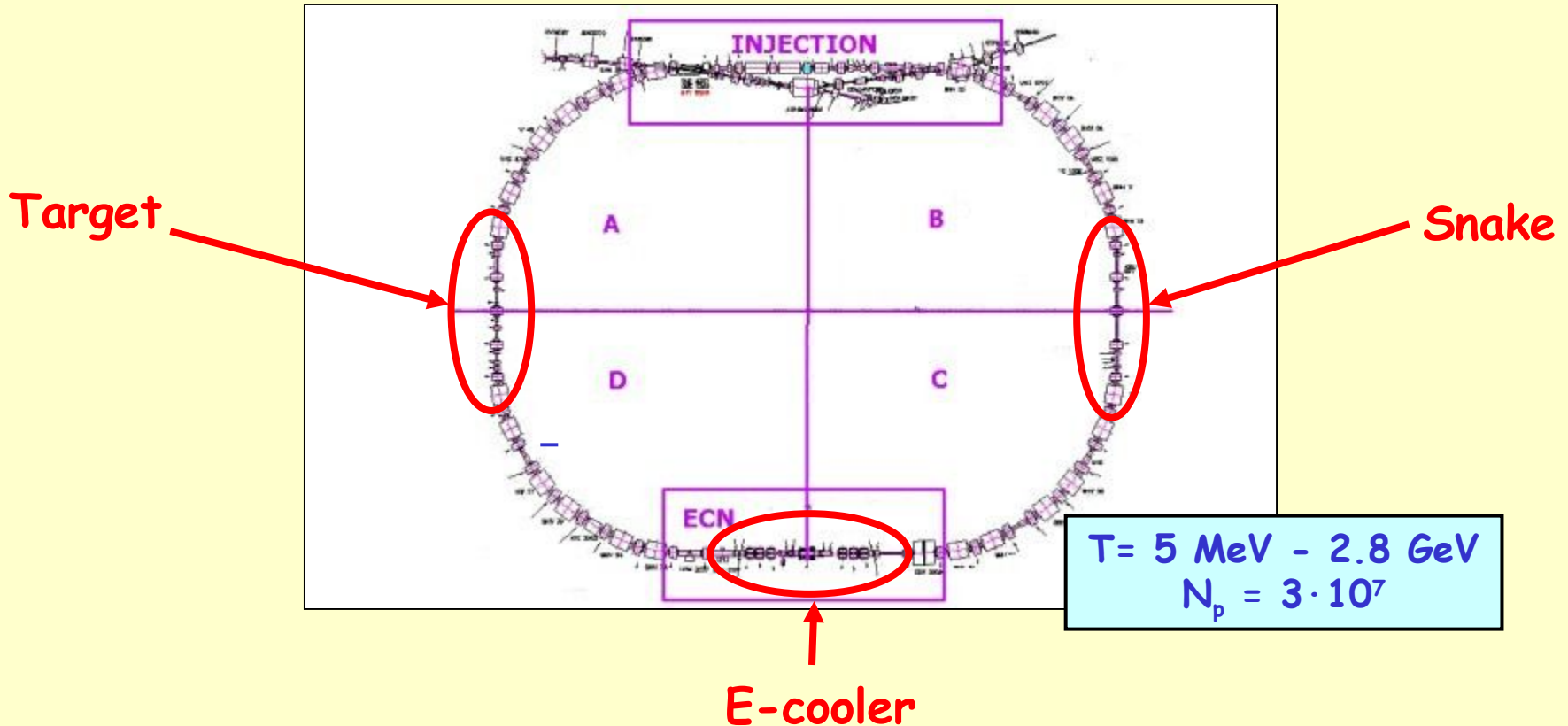


# Upper limit for depolarization cross section



# AD ring at CERN

Study of spin filtering in  $\bar{p}$ - $p$  ( $\bar{p}$ - $d$ ) scattering

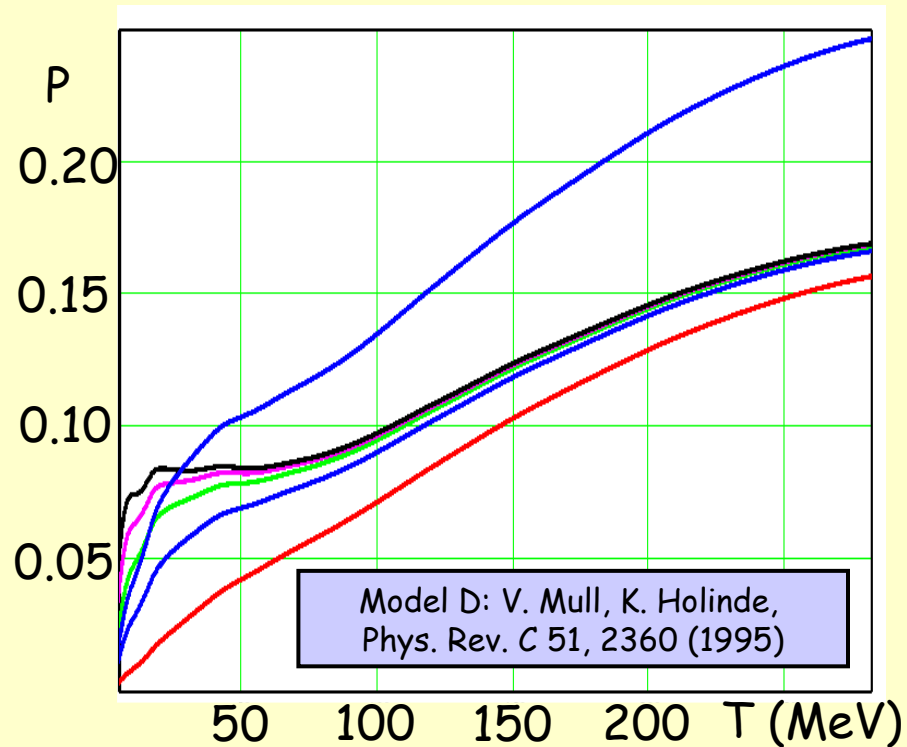
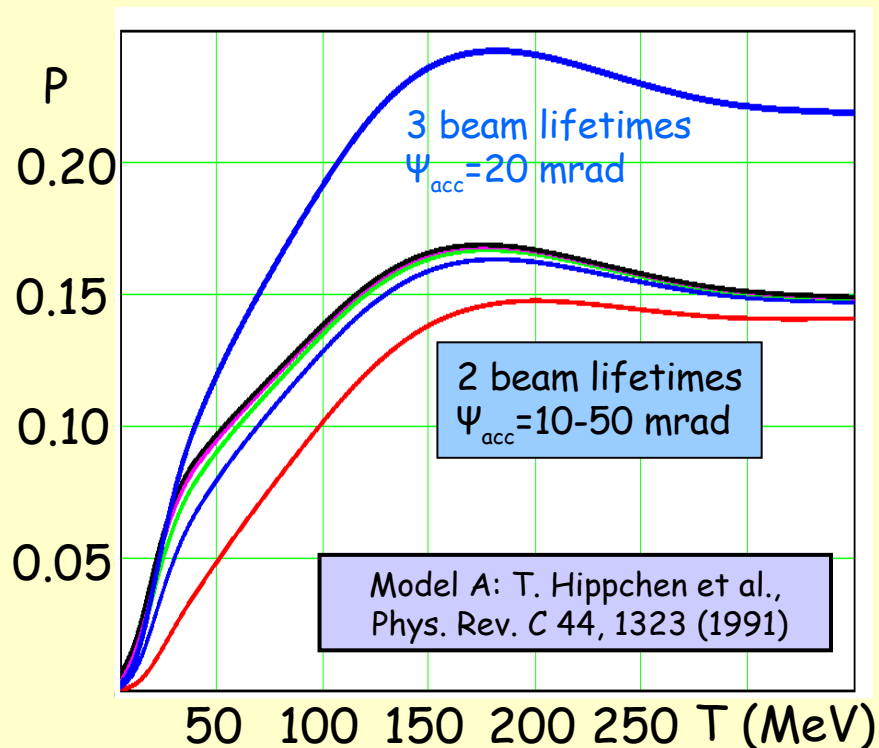


Measurement of effective polarization buildup cross-section

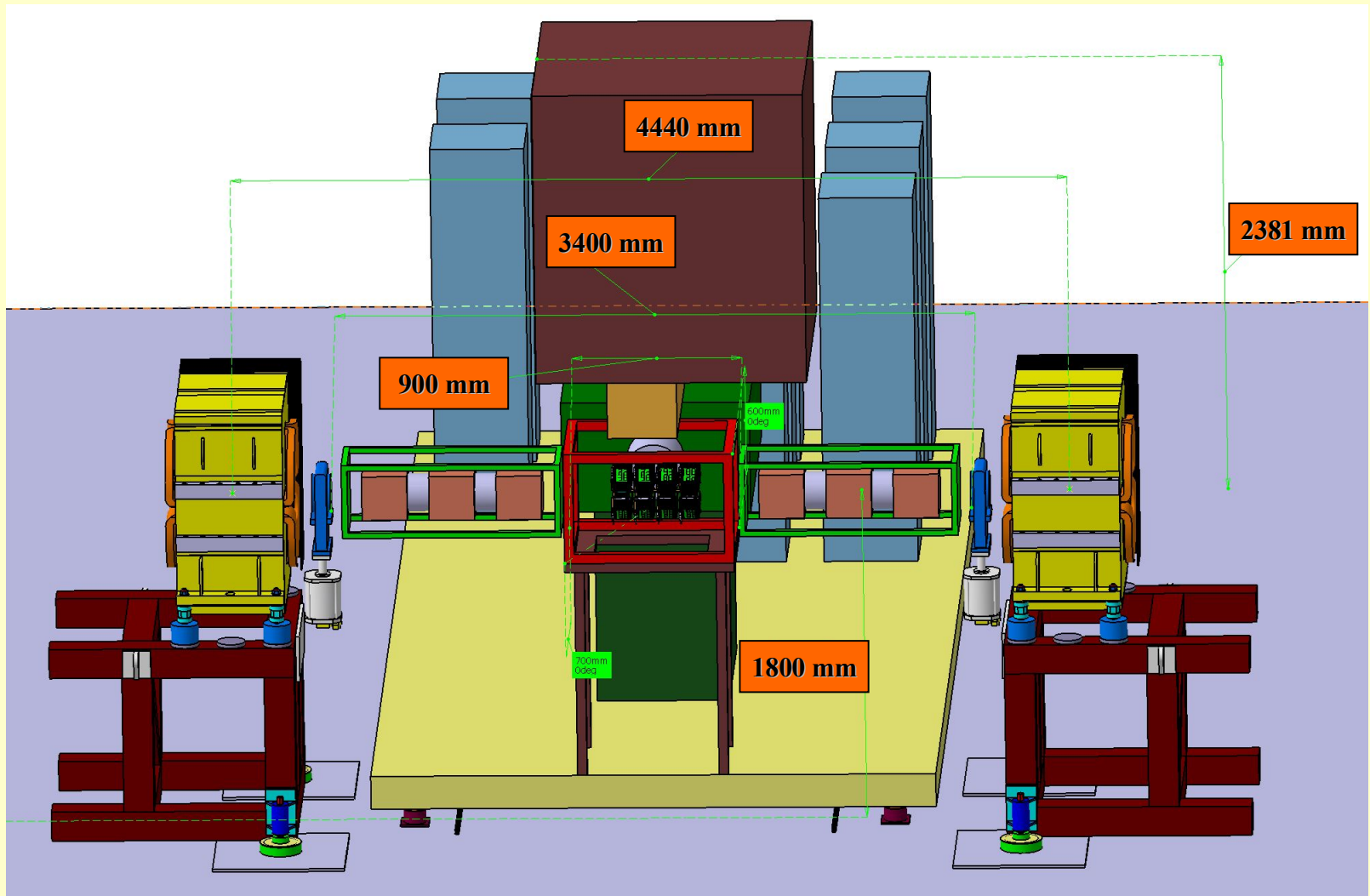
- Both transverse and longitudinal
- Variable acceptance at target
- Test also polarized D target

First ever measurement for spin correlations in  $\bar{p}$ - $p$  (and  $\bar{p}$ -D)

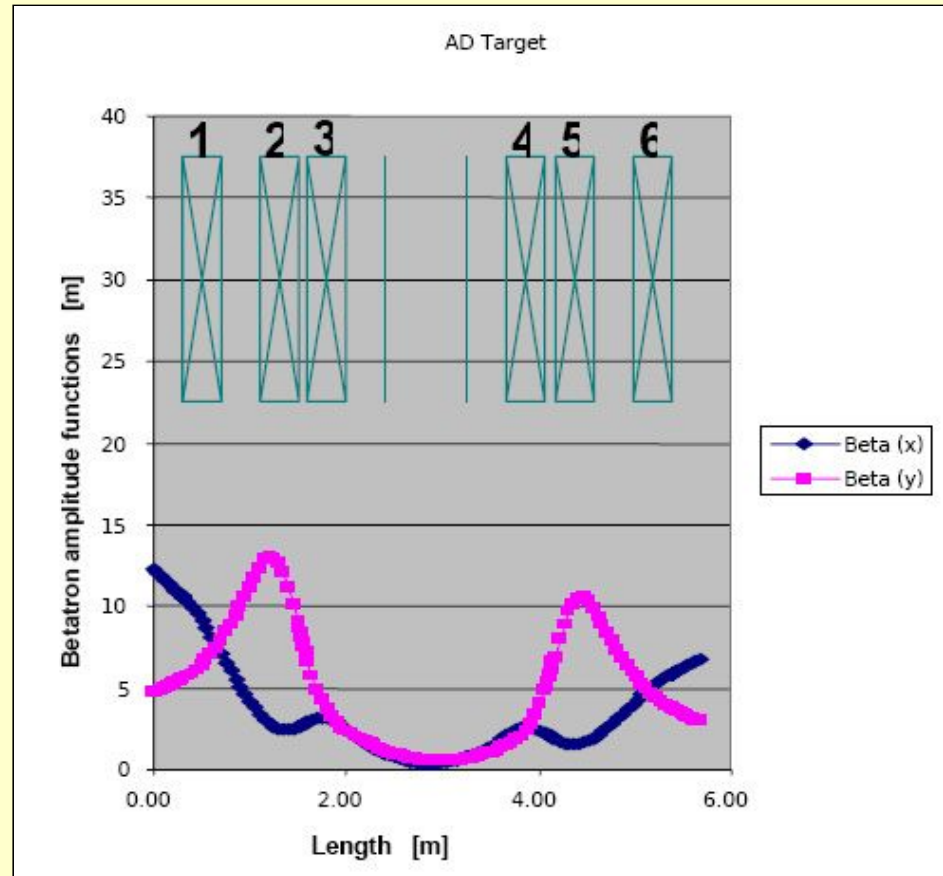
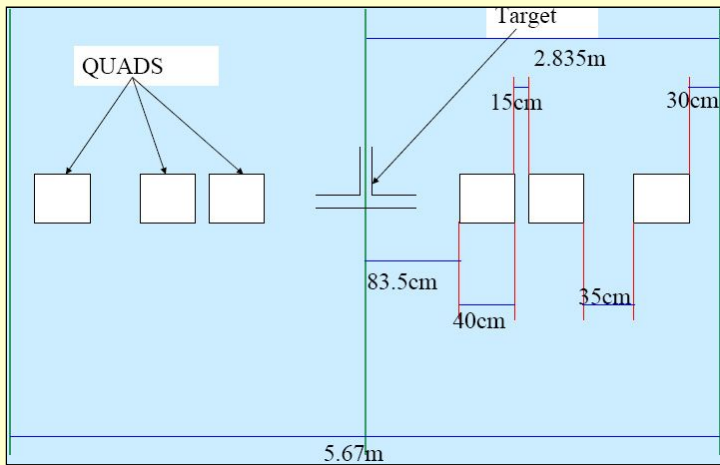
# Theoretical estimate of Antiproton Beam Polarization (Hadronic Interaction: Longitudinal Spin Filtering)



# Interaction region for spin-filtering studies



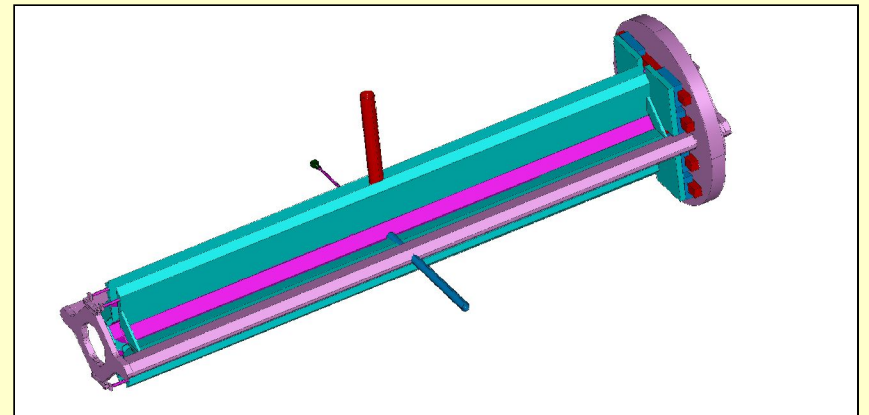
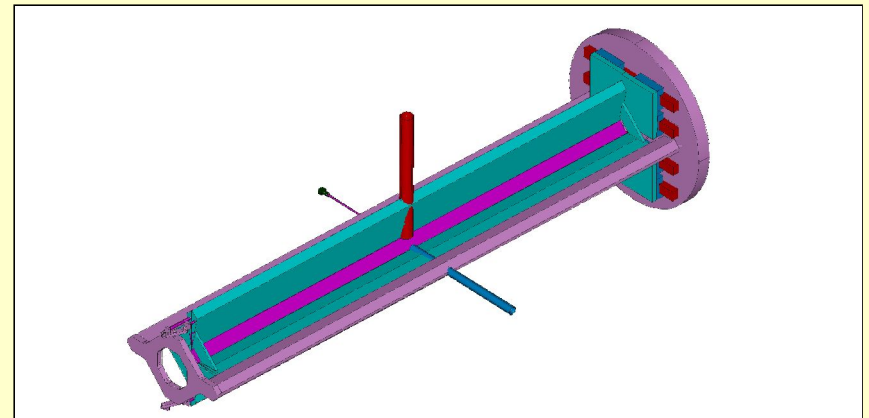
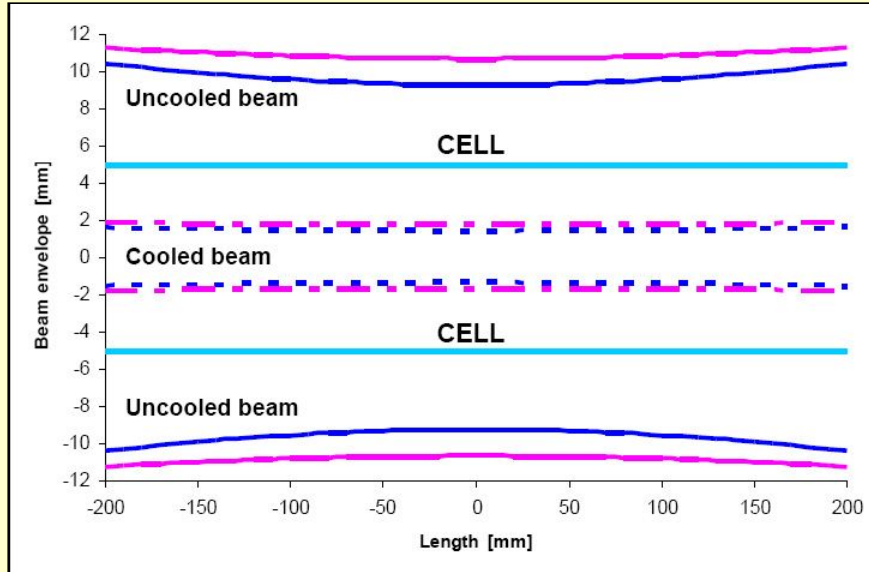
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Superconducting quadrupoles necessary

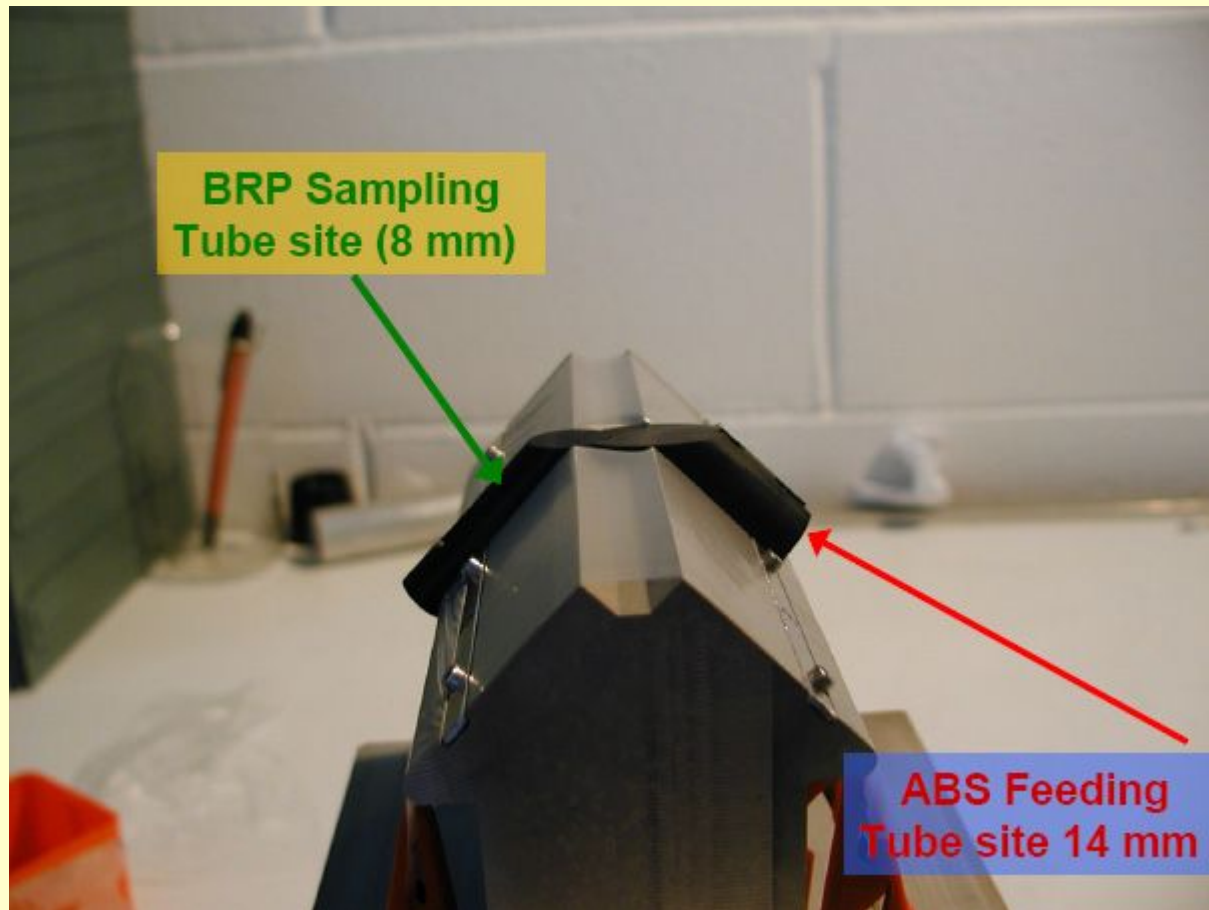
# Storage cell design

Pbar beam at AD:



Openable storage cell  
required

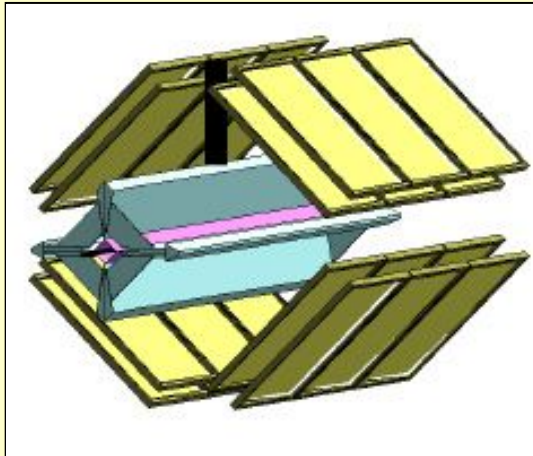
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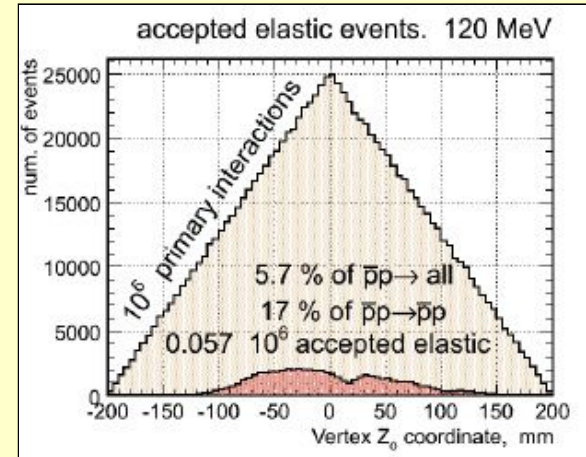
$5 \mu\text{m}$  Teflon foil ( $T_{\text{rec}} < 8\text{MeV}$ )

# Detector concept

- Will measure beam polarization by using the (measured) analysing power of:
  - $\bar{p}$ -p elastic



- Modular structure
- 10 cm x 10 cm silicon wafers
- 300  $\mu$ m thick
- Open cell without moving det.
- Re-use of HERMES recoil



|                                    | 43 MeV     | 120 MeV    | 220 MeV     |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| beam energy:                       | 43 MeV     | 120 MeV    | 220 MeV     |
| total number of primary events:    | 1 M        | 1 M        | 1 M         |
| Primary antiproton-proton elastic: | 0.33 M     | 0.33 M     | 0.33 M      |
| accepted: elastic                  | 48 k       | 57 k       | 40 k        |
|                                    | 14.5 %     | 17.0 %     | 12.0 %      |
| total 'run' time:                  | 4000 sec   | 5700 sec   | 6898 sec    |
| good (reconstructed) event rate:   | 12 evt/sec | 10 evt/sec | 5.8 evt/sec |
| (after spin-filtering)             |            |            |             |



# Timeline

|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| Fall 2007/ Spring 2008 | Technical proposal to COSY-PAC for spin filtering<br>Technical proposal to SPSC for spin filtering at AD |
| 2007-2008              | Design and construction phase  |
| 2009                   | Spin-filtering studies at COSY<br>Commissioning of AD experiment   |
| 2010                   | Installation at AD   |
| 2010-2011              | Spin-filtering studies at AD   |

June 23-25, 2008 WE Heraeus Seminar at Bad-Honnef  
"Polarized Antiprotons"  
(chair: P. Lenisa and F. Rathmann)