



Wide Angle Compton Scattering

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Outline:

+ Why WACS?

+ Theory/Existing Data

+ Experimental Challenges & Options

+ Quo Vadis?

$$\vec{\gamma} + \vec{p} \rightarrow \gamma + p$$





WACS $\vec{\gamma} + \vec{p} \rightarrow \gamma + p$

- ‡ Mechanism of the reaction is a key question*
- ‡ If we can measure the process: What do we learn?*
- ‡ What do we learn from polarization observables?*
- ‡ JLab 6-GeV era WACS experiments (2002, 2008)*
- ‡ Experimental results for polarization K_{LL} $\vec{\gamma} + p \rightarrow \gamma + \vec{p}$*
- ‡ Motivation for further measurements*
- ‡ An approach for the most productive A_{LL} experiment*
- ‡ ... and the avenues it might open.*

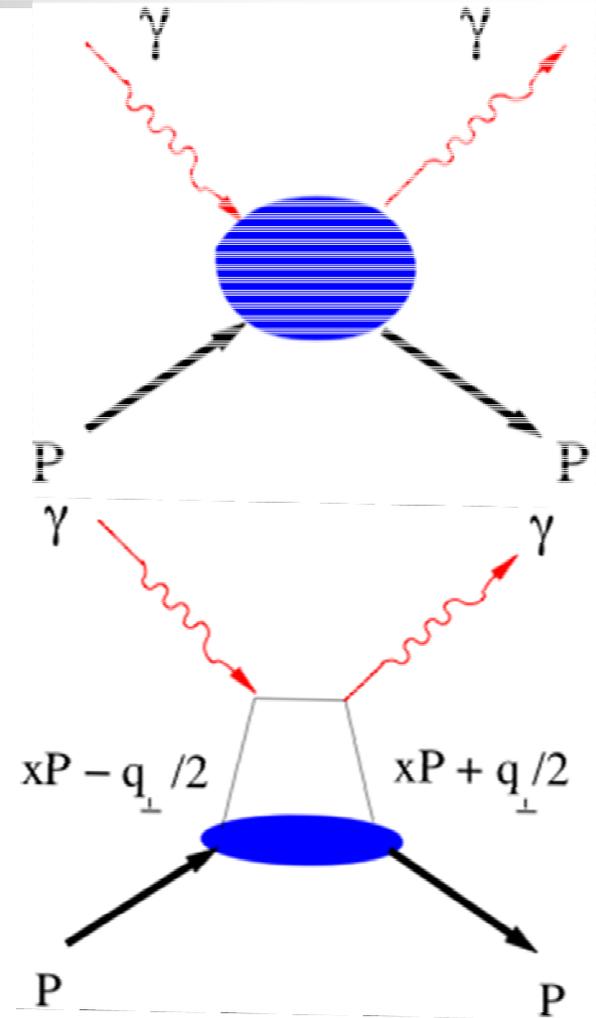


Mechanism of the RCS Process

Two basic options for the mechanism:

- ✚ **Collective response** – several partons involved in high momentum interaction with incoming/outgoing photons

- ✚ **Individual response** – a single quark absorbs the incident photon and the same quark emits a scattered photon





Theoretical studies of the CS process

Many different groups, many different ideas...

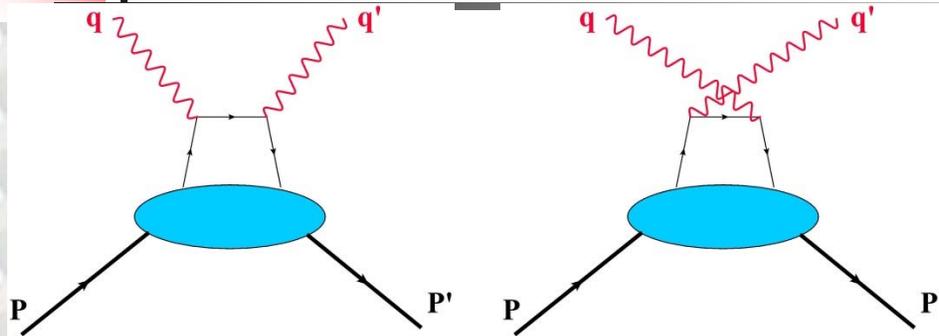
- + Regge poles - VMD* - since 1960s ..., *Laget*
- + pQCD - two-gluon* - *Brodsky, ..., Dixon, MVh,...*
- + Diquark model* - *Guichon&Kroll 1996*
- + Leading quark* - *Brodsky et al 1972,*
- + GPDs (handbag)* - *Radyushkin, Kroll et al*
- + CQM* - *G.Miller 2004*
- + SCET* - *Kivel&Vanderhaeghen*
- + DSE* - *Eichmann*

Main issues:

- + Competing mechanisms*
- + Interplay between hard and soft processes*
- + Threshold for onset of asymptotic regime*
- + Role of the hadron helicity flip*



Compton scattering & GPDs



In the GPD approach, interaction goes with a single quark, and the handbag diagram dominates.

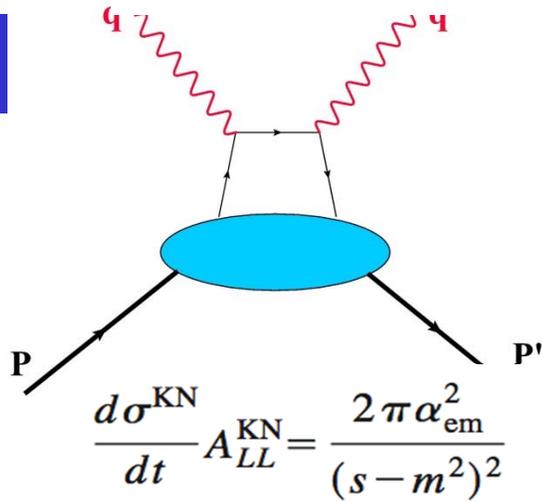
M.Diehl & P.Kroll

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{d\sigma}{dt}_{KN} \left(\frac{1}{2} \left[R_V^2 + \frac{-t}{4m^2} R_T^2 + R_A^2 \right] - \frac{us}{s^2 + u^2} \left[R_V^2 + \frac{-t}{4m^2} R_T^2 - R_A^2 \right] \right)$$

$$K_{LL} = A_{LL} \quad K_{LL} \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{d\sigma(+, \uparrow)}{dt} - \frac{d\sigma(-, \uparrow)}{dt} \right]$$

- ✚ *Test of the handbag predictions to the <10% level is an important task.*
- ✚ *The K_{LL} (A_{LL}) asymmetry: observable of choice to test reaction mechanism.*
- ✚ *NLO corrections are supposed to vary as 1/s (N.Kivel & M.Vanderhaeghen).*

FFs, GPDs and Polarization Observables



$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{KN}}}{dt} A_{LL}^{\text{KN}} = \frac{2\pi\alpha_{\text{em}}^2}{(s-m^2)^2}$$

$$\times \left[-\frac{s-m^2}{u-m^2} + \frac{u-m^2}{s-m^2} - \frac{2m^2 t^2 (s-u)}{(s-m^2)^2 (u-m^2)^2} \right],$$

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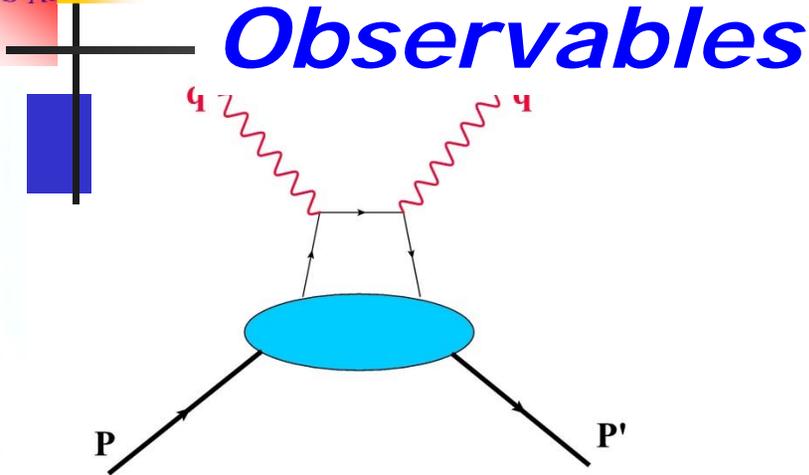
$$R_V(t) = \sum_a e_a^2 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{x} H^a(x, 0, t)$$

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for $m=0$

$$K_{LL}^{KN} = \frac{s^2 - u^2}{s^2 + u^2}$$

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$$A_{LL} = K_{LL} = K_{LL}^{KN} \frac{R_A}{R_V} \left[1 - \frac{t^2}{2(s^2 + u^2)} \left(1 - \frac{R_A^2}{R_V^2} \right) \right]^{-1}$$

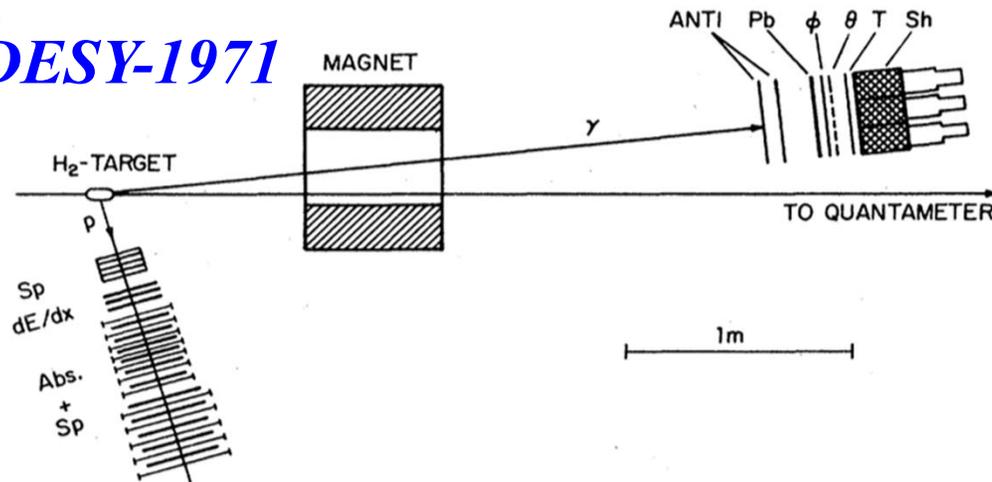
Experimental studies of the CS process

experiments with $s > 2 \text{ GeV}^2$, low t

Bauer-Spital-Yennie review, RMP 50 (1978)

- **DESY** - 1971
- **SLAC** - 1971
- **CEA** - 1972-73, Deutsch

DESY-1971



The photon flux is $2 \times 10^8 \text{ } \gamma/\text{s}$

FIG. 44. Diagram of the apparatus used by the DESY group for Compton scattering measurements (from Buschhorn *et al.*, 1971a).



Experimental studies ...

experiments with $-t > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ (WACS regime)

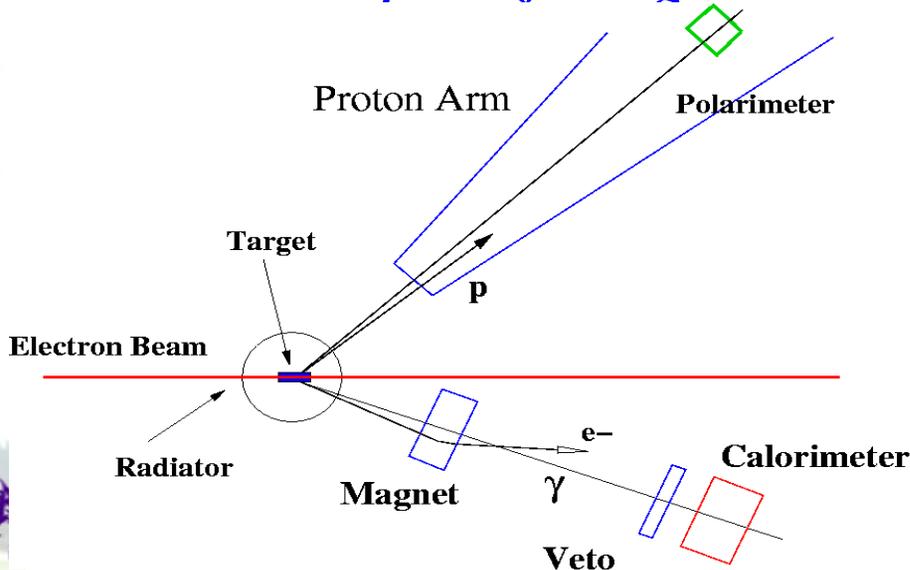
- ✦ Cornell - 1975
- ✦ JLab (Hall A) - 2002
- ✦ JLab (Hall C) - 2008

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 mixed e/g beam!

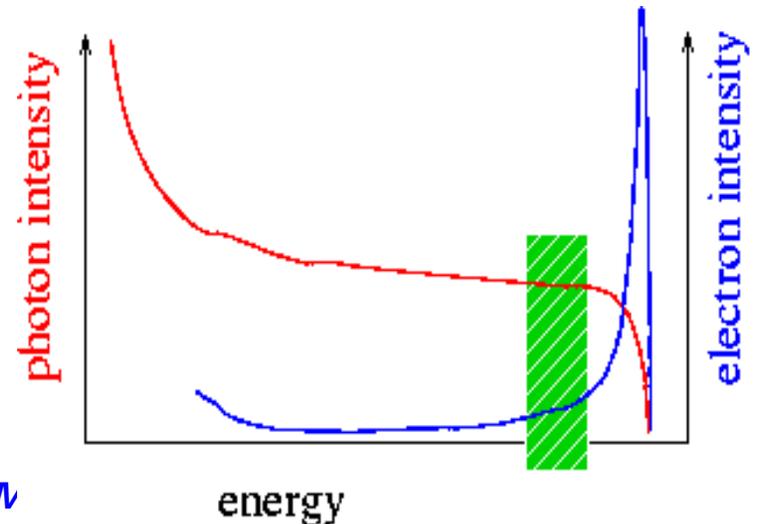
The photon flux is
 $1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ } \gamma/\text{s}$
 $\sim 2 \times 10^{13} \text{ } \gamma/\text{s}$

Main issues:

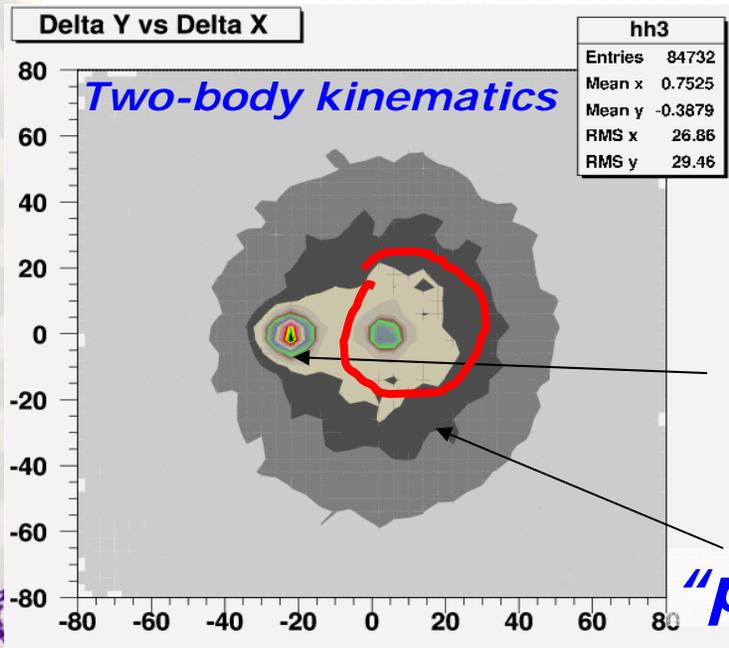
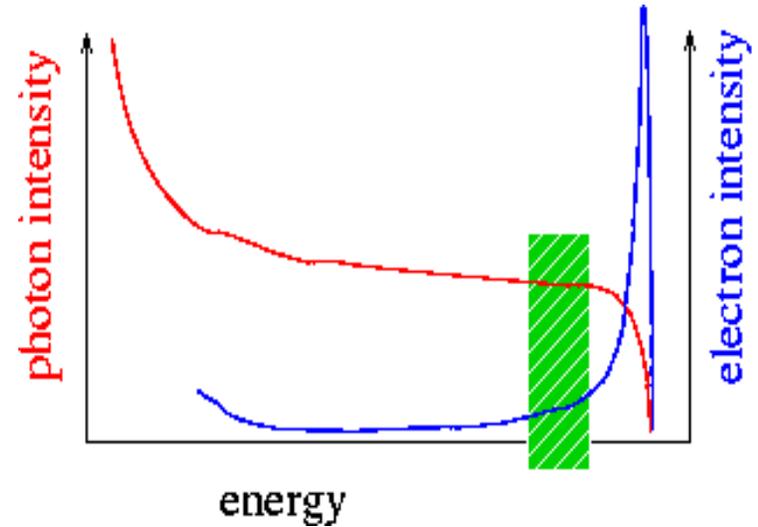
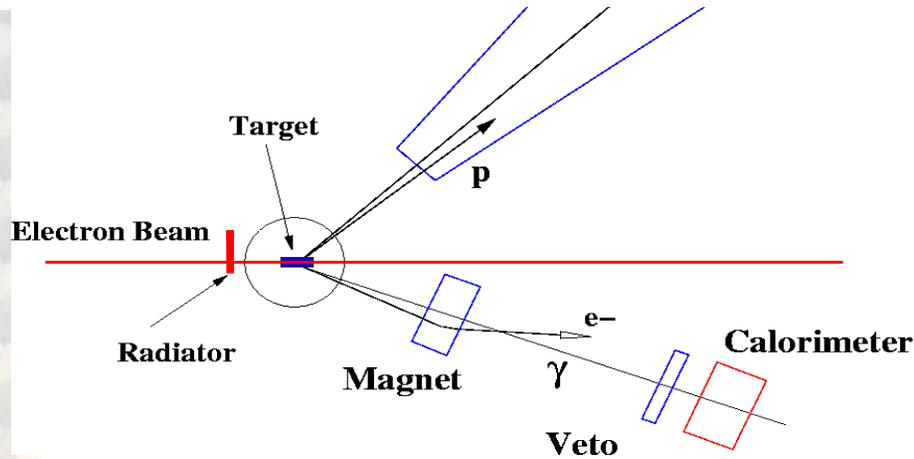
- ✦ Competing reaction – p^0 photo-production
- ✦ Low cross section and small solid angle
- ✦ Low efficiency & analyzing power of the proton polarimetry
- ✦ Low limit on the polarized target luminosity



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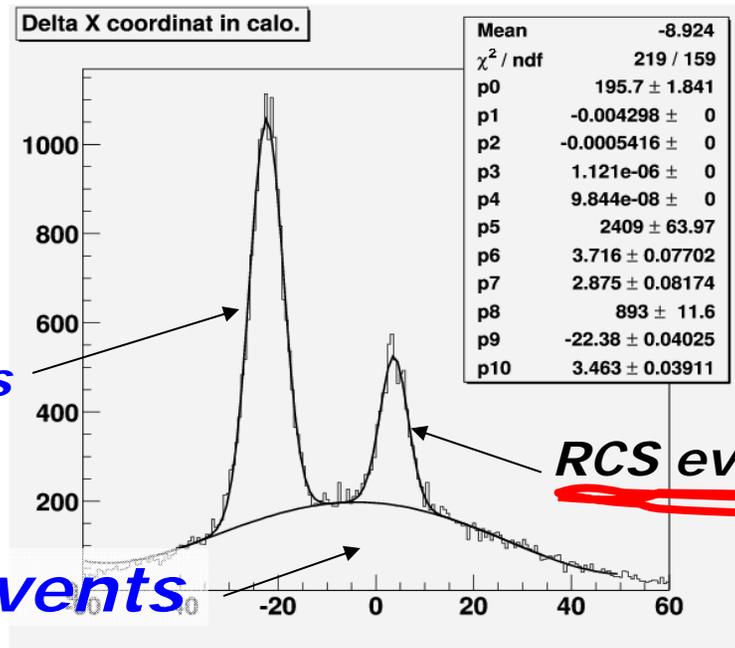


Mixed e/γ beam \rightarrow rates
 ~1300 higher than "clean" γ



ep events

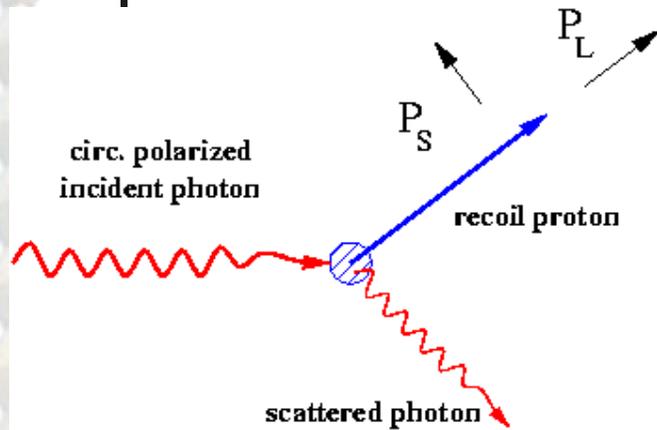
"pion" events



RCS events

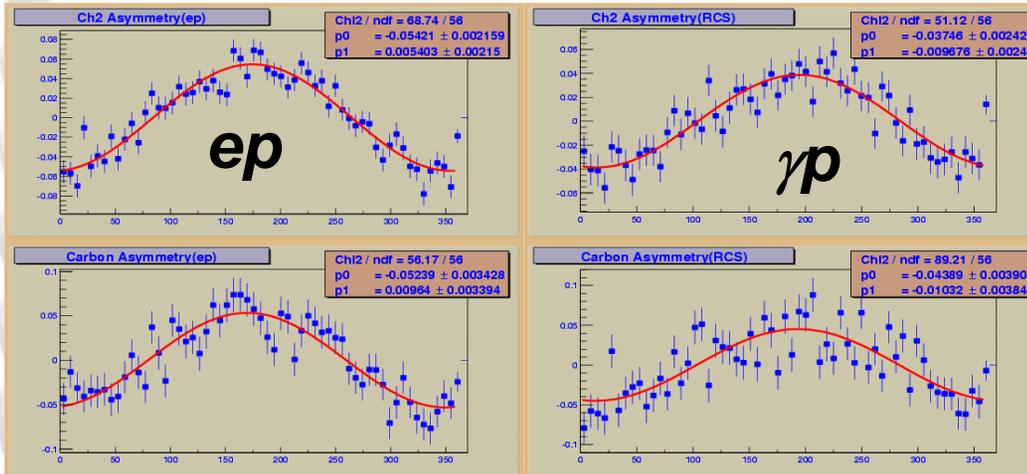
Polarization transfer K_{LL}

$$E_\gamma = 3.2 \text{ GeV}, \theta_{cm} = 120^\circ \quad (s = 6.9, t = -4 \text{ GeV}^2)$$

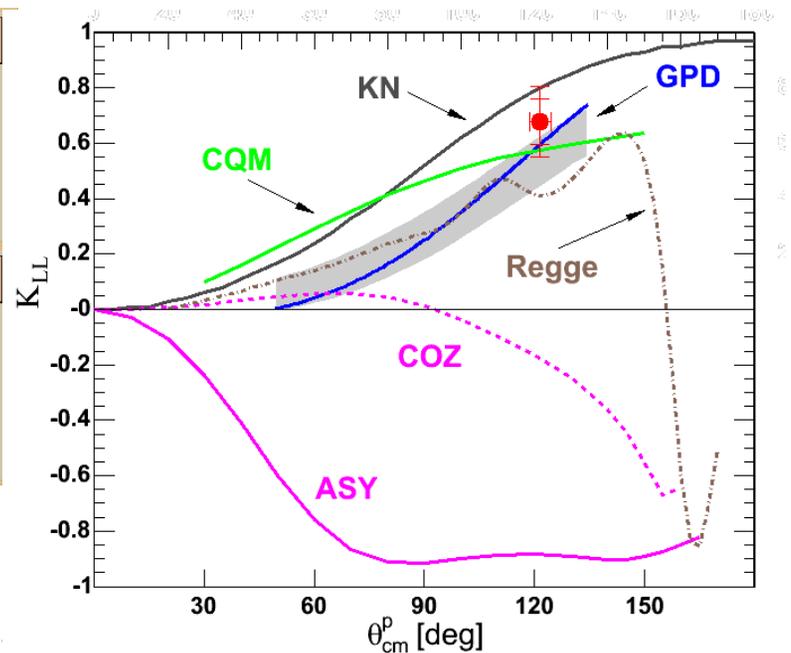


K_{LL} is an average value of the longitudinal proton spin in the γp cm system for 100% circular polarization of incident photon.

$$K_{LL} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{\sigma(+,\uparrow) - \sigma(+,\downarrow)}{\sigma(+,\uparrow) + \sigma(+,\downarrow)} - \frac{\sigma(-,\uparrow) - \sigma(-,\downarrow)}{\sigma(-,\uparrow) + \sigma(-,\downarrow)} \right\}$$



raw asymmetry ~ 0.05
 systematic uncertainty is below 10^{-4}





E99-114 experiment, Hall A, 2002

Proton spectrometer

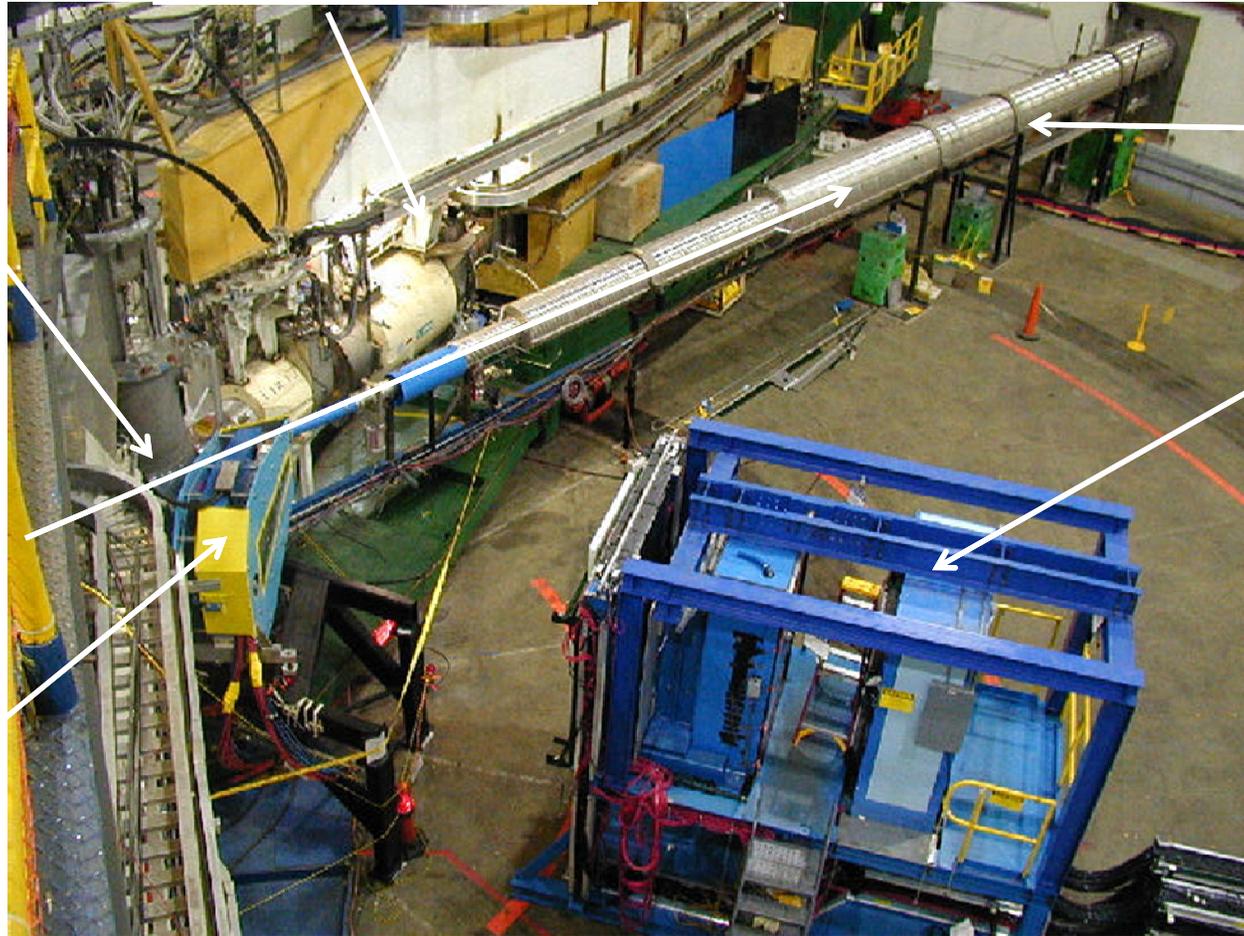
Hydrogen target

Electron Beam

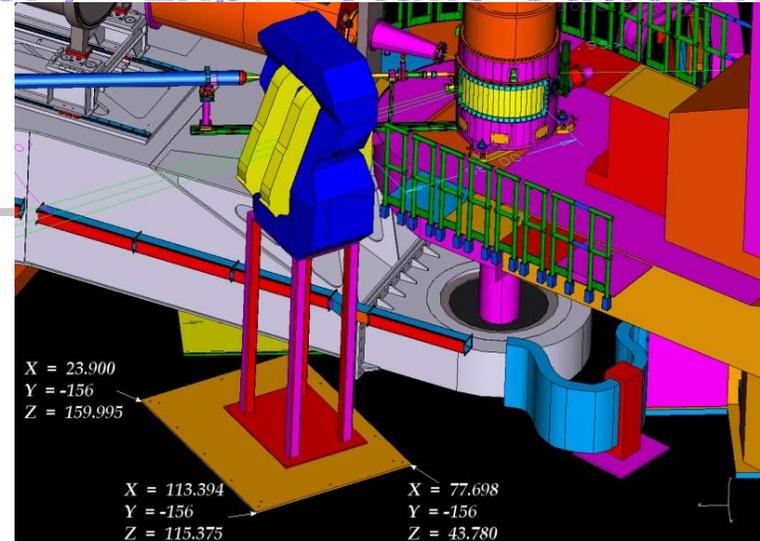
Deflecting magnet

Exit beam line

Photon detector

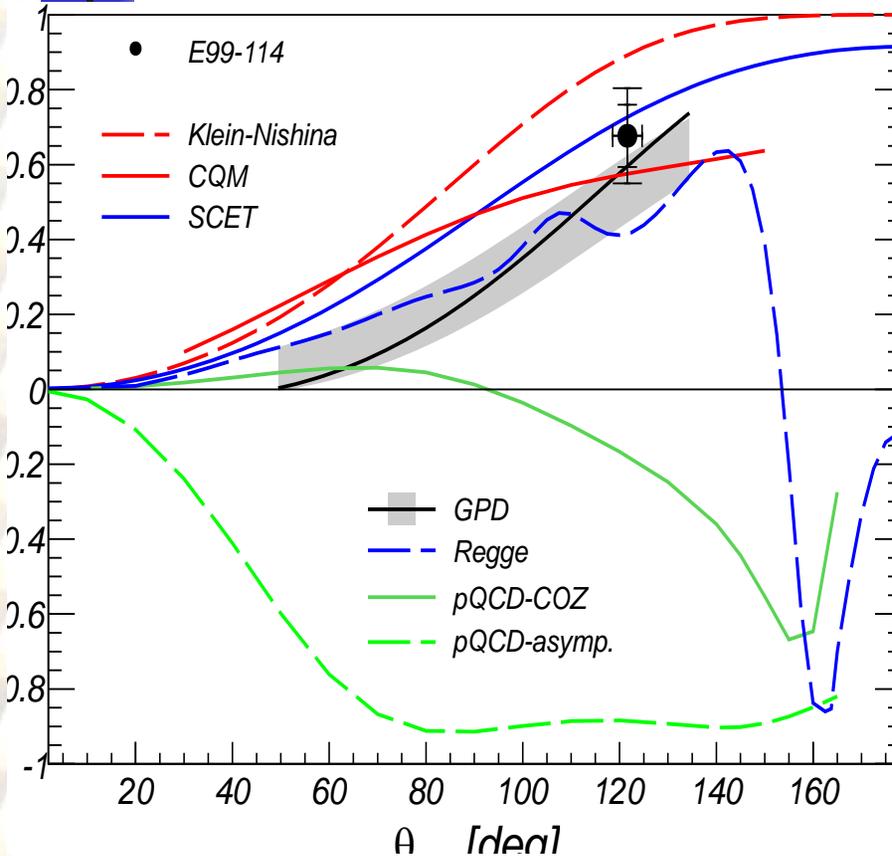


E07-002 experiment, Hall C, 2008





Physics Motivation: study of K_{LL}



E99-114

$s=6.9, t=-4.0, u=-1.1 \text{ GeV}^2$

***Strong evidence for
handbag mechanism***

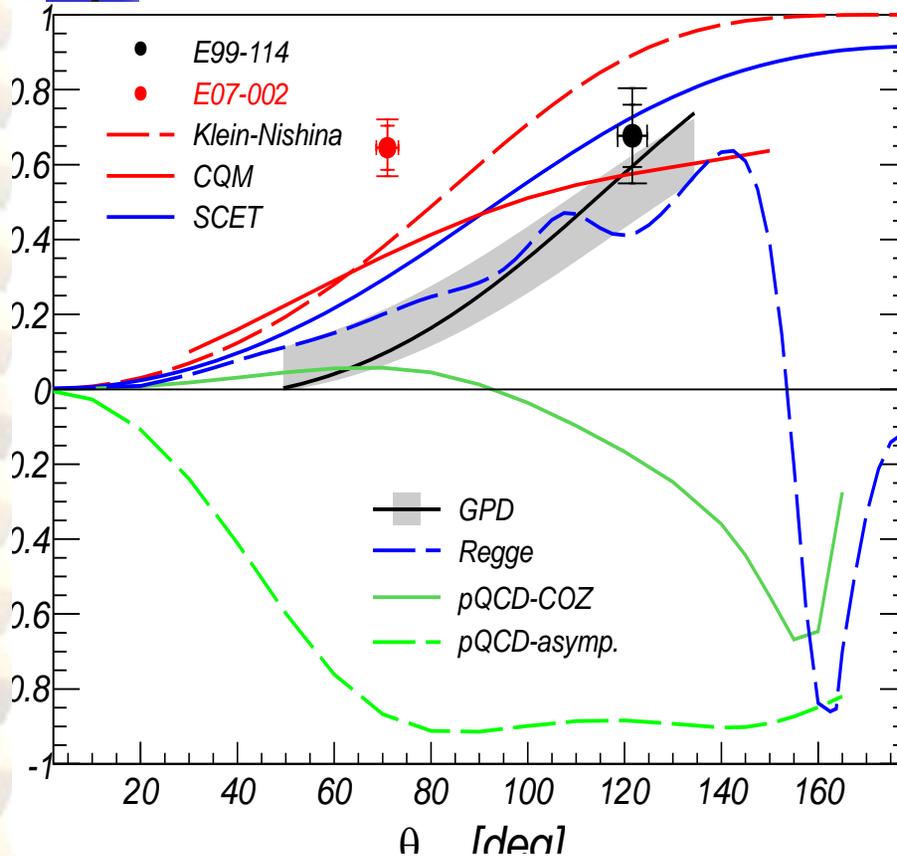
PRL 94, 242001 (2005)





Physics Motivation:

...and a surprise!



E99-114

$s=6.9, t=-4.0, u=-1.1 \text{ GeV}^2$

E07-002

$s=7.8, t=-2.1, u=-4.0 \text{ GeV}^2$

Strong evidence for additional physics

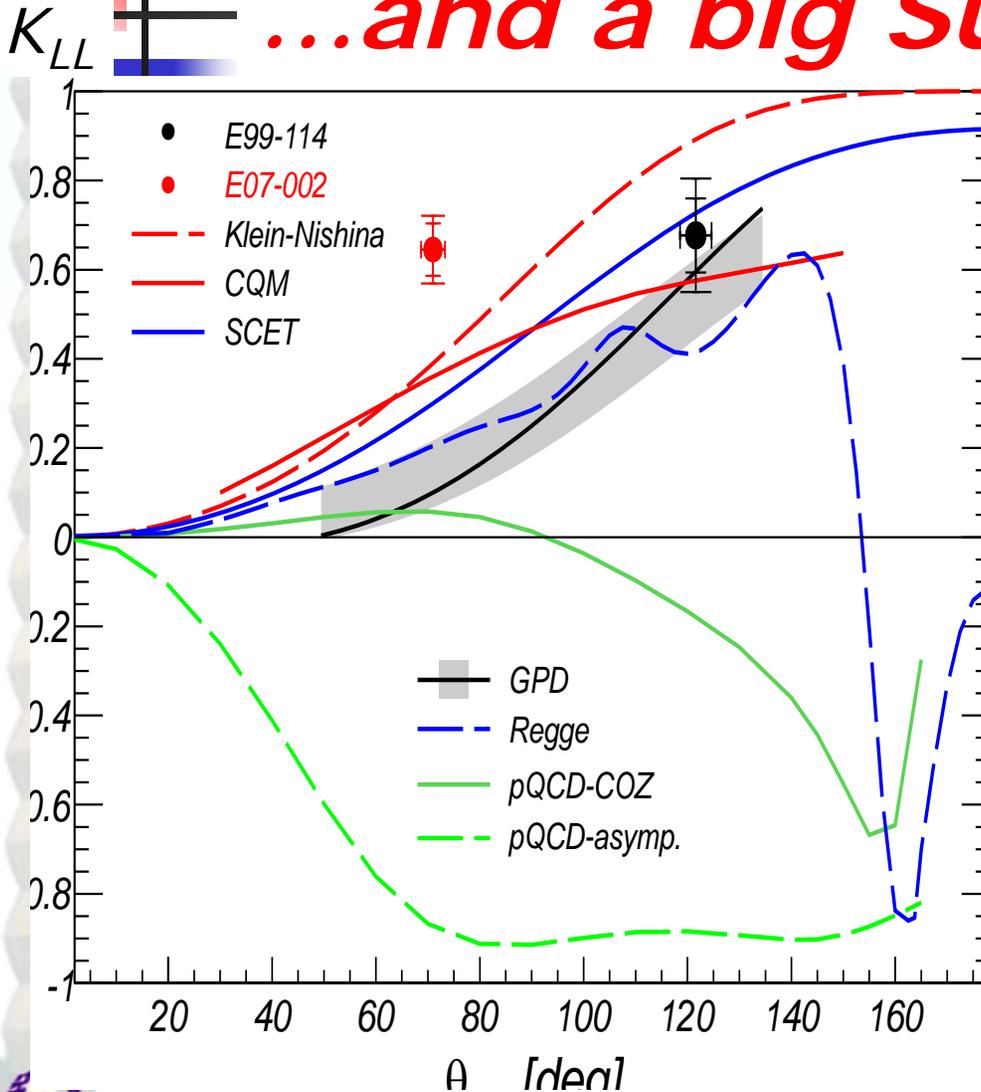
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New measurement at larger (doubled) s, t, u values is necessary to clarify the WACS mechanism.



Physics Motivation:

...and a big Surprise!!



E99-114

$s=6.9, t=-4.0, u=-1.1 \text{ GeV}^2$

E07-002

$s=7.8, t=-2.1, u=-4.0 \text{ GeV}^2$

3.4 σ from the CQM

5.5 σ from the GPD band

Q: What is the origin of large K_{LL} ?

- Quark OAM?
- Diquark u-d correlations?



WACS experimental considerations

➤ K_{LL}

- Beam intensity: 2×10^{13} γ/s
- Polarimeter: figure-of-merit ~ 0.001
- Solid angle of apparatus: HRS/HMS $\sim 6-7$ msr

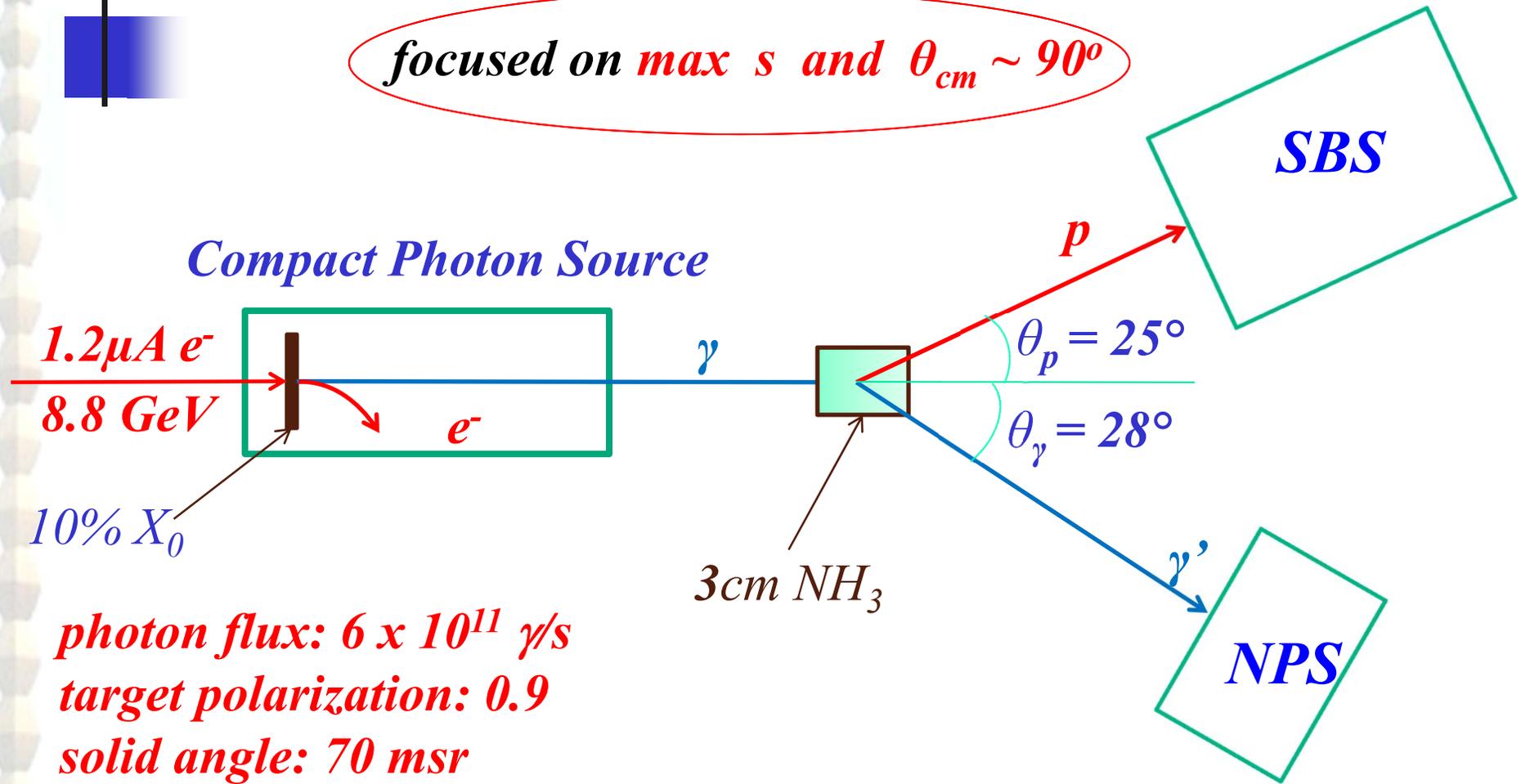
➤ A_{LL}

- Beam intensity: 6×10^{11} γ/s (novel source)
- Target polarization: ~ 0.9
- Solid angle of apparatus: SBS ~ 70 msr

Overall performance ~ 250 better for A_{LL}

Plan to measure A_{LL}

focused on max s and $\theta_{cm} \sim 90^\circ$





Plan to measure A_{LL}

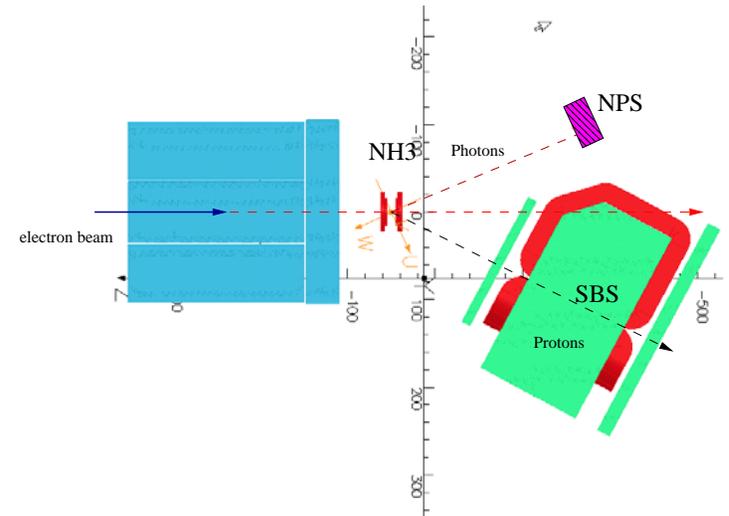
Key parameters:

NPS:

- ✦ Energy resolution $\sim 2\%/\sqrt{E}$
- ✦ Radiation hardness $PbWO_4$
- ✦ Area/segmentation: 72 cm x 60 cm /1100 crystals
- ✦ Coordinate resolution: 2-3 mm

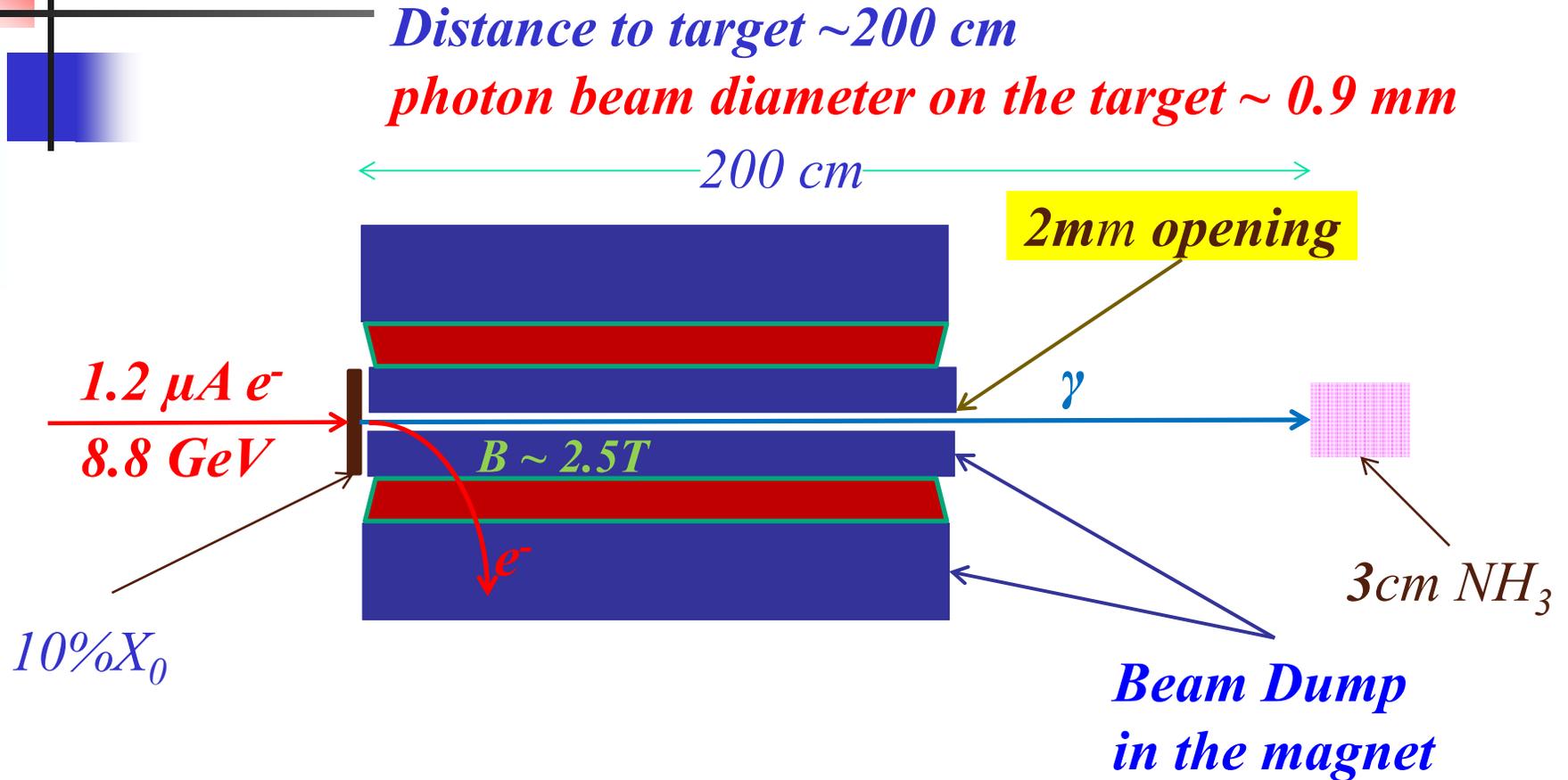
SBS:

- ✦ Solid angle: 70 msr for angle above 15°
- ✦ Momentum acceptance: 2-10, GeV/c
- ✦ Angular range: from 5° (12 msr) to 45°
- ✦ Momentum resolution: $0.29 + 0.03 \cdot p$, %
- ✦ Angular resolution: $0.14 + 1.3/p$, mrad



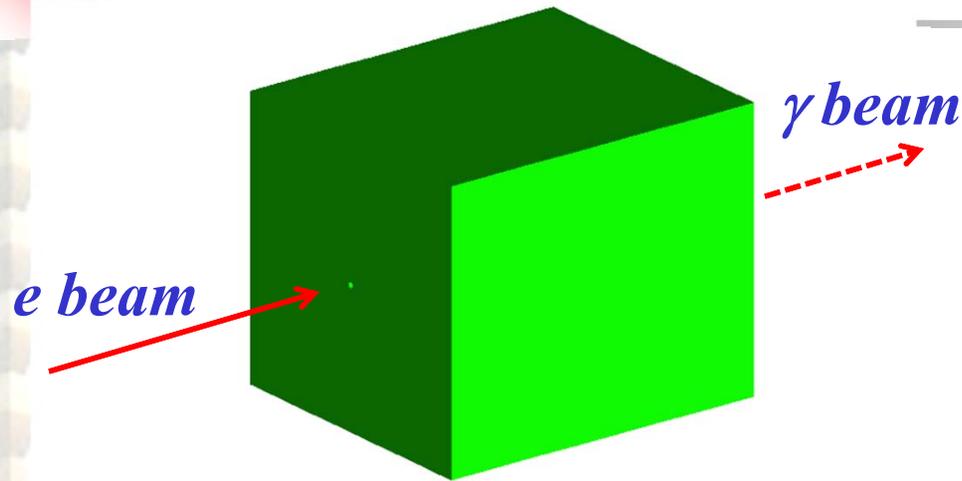
Exp. Setup in GEANT

Compact Photon Source

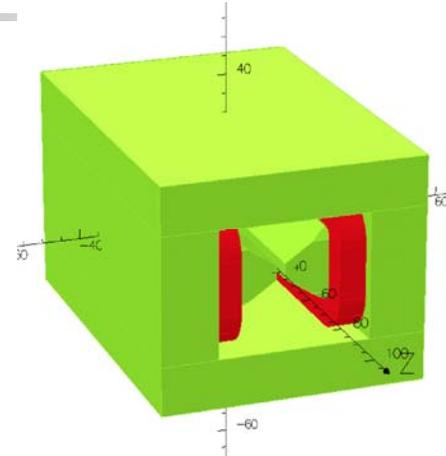


Novel concept allows high photon intensity and low radiation!

Compact Photon Source – hermetic concept



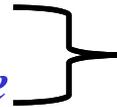
2.6 m x 2.5 m x 2.5 m structure



1 m x 0.6 m x 0.5 m magnet

Incident beam has small transverse size

Outgoing photon beam has m/E angular size



Source could be hermetic!

However, where to send the used electron beam?

- + Traditional approach is based on using magnets to get e to a beam dump =>***
- + large openings => no hermeticity and large distance from the radiator to the target***
- + Our new approach is using the magnet as a dump => The problem is solved!***

Kinematic range

Split the (large) detector acceptance in several kinematic bins (all taken simultaneously)

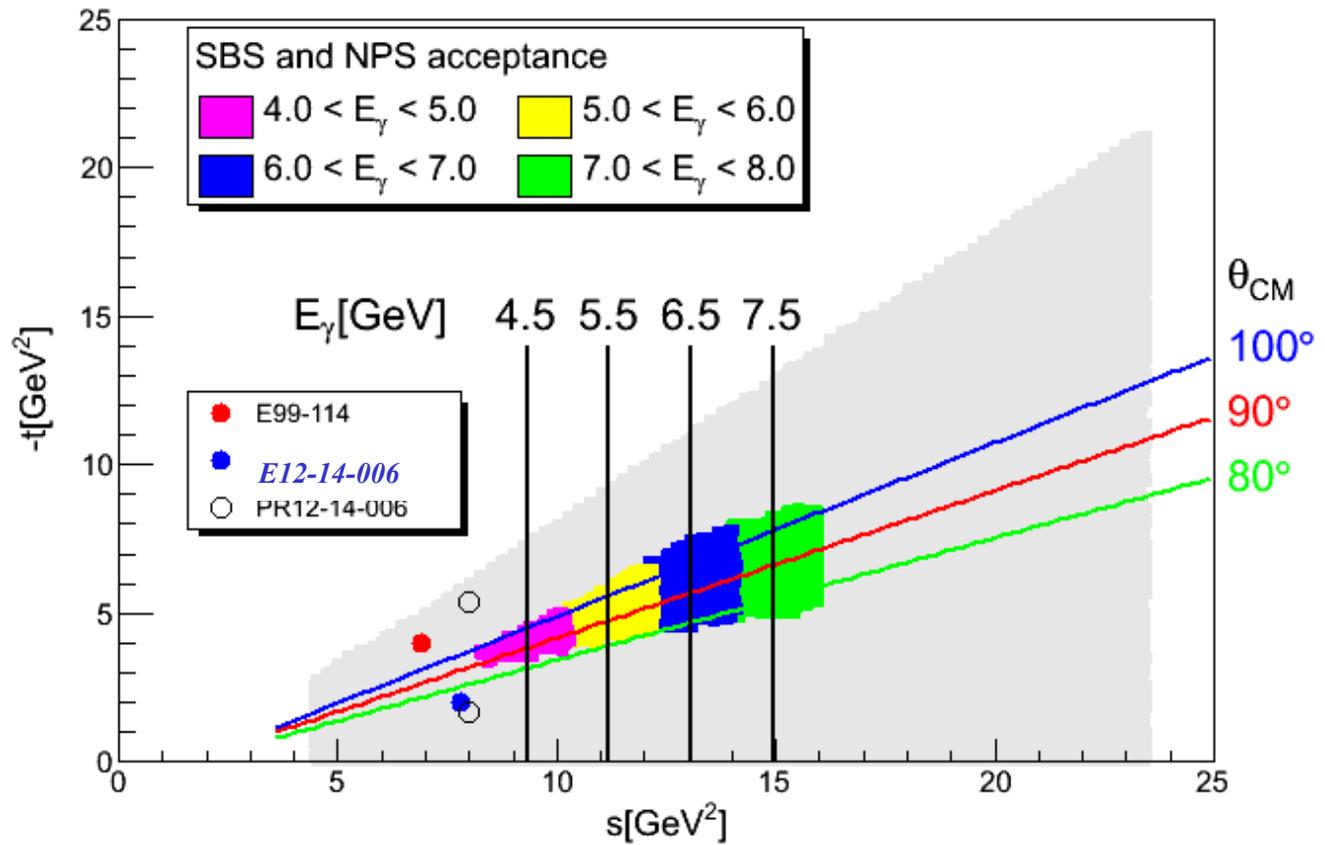
s : 8.0 – 16.0 GeV²

$-t$: 3.0 – 7.0 GeV²

$-u$: 3.0 – 7.0 GeV²

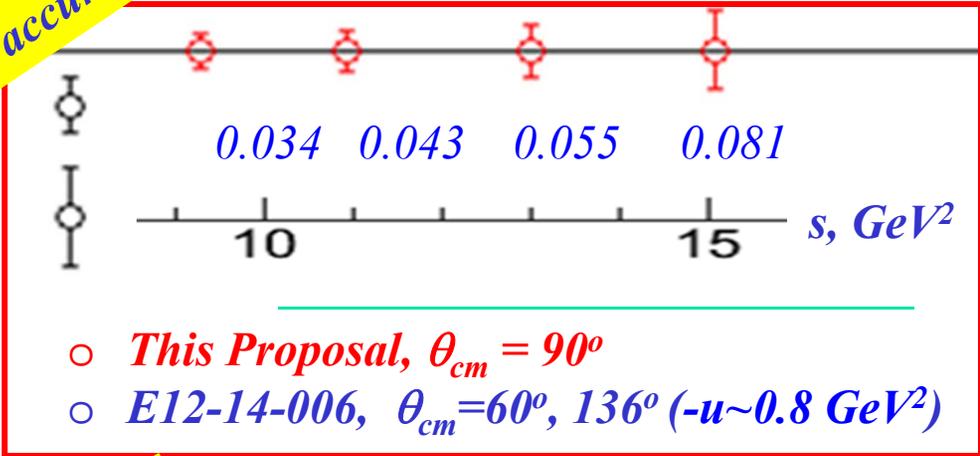
θ_{cm} : 80° – 100°

$\langle \theta_{cm} \rangle \sim 90^\circ$



Projected Accuracy

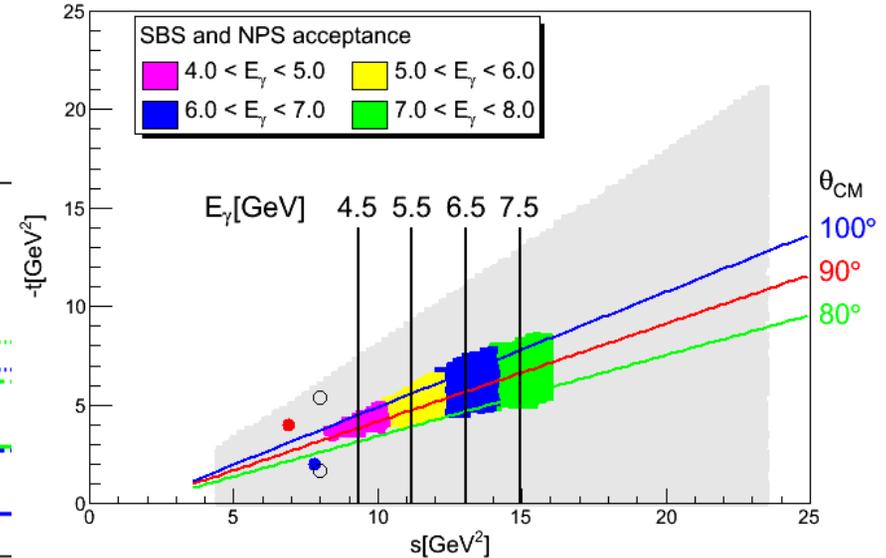
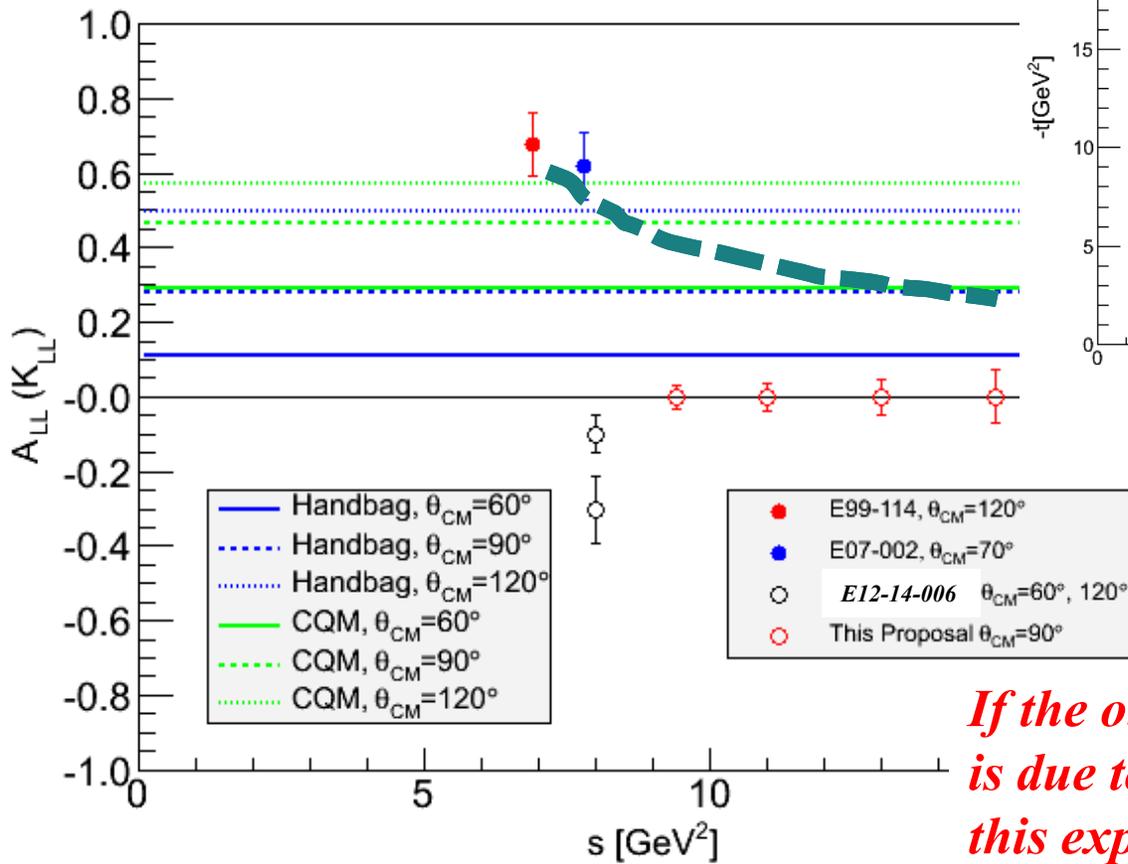
High statistical accuracy



Good systematic accuracy

- ✦ The systematics for the A_{LL} is projected to be less than 0.03 (absolute):
- ✦ The ep elastic data $A_{LL} \rightarrow$ product of the beam and target polarizations, $\delta(P_t * P_b) \sim 4\%$;
- ✦ The beam pol. via Moller measurement, $\sim 1\%$; the target pol. via NMR, $\delta P_t \sim 5\%$.

Projected impact of the results



If the observed large K_{LL} at $q_{cm} = 70^\circ$ is due to large $1/s$ NLO contributions, this experiment should be able to observe an s dependence.



Quo Vadis?



- ✚ *WACS mechanism more intricate than previously thought (even in the nominal GPD/SCET range)*
- ✚ *CPS (10x intensity, 100x yield). Reasonably inexpensive.*
- ✚ *Allow A_{LL} measurements $s = 9-15 \text{ GeV}^2$ at $\theta_{cm} \sim 90^\circ, 120^\circ$*
- ✚ *... useable for other (polarization) exp.:*
- ✚ *A_{LT} with the same apparatus as A_{LL} (transversely polarized target) ~ 20 beam days.*
- ✚ *Σ asymmetry with Hall D apparatus, $E \sim 9 \text{ GeV}$, only for low t (below 1 GeV^2) due to flux limitation (10^7 photons/s)*
- ✚ *...*
- ✚ *Thank you!*

