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Neutron-skin “measurements”

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61th International Winter Meeting on Nuclear Physics

January 27 to 31, 2025 Bormio, Italy

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Long-standing conference bringing together researchers and students from various fields of subatomic physics.

The conference location is Bormio, a beautiful mountain resort in the Italian Alps.



2025 Edition

The 60th edition of the Bormio conference will be held from January 27 to 31 2025 in Bormio (Italy).

As for previous edition, we are foreseeing two **special** initiatives for **young students**

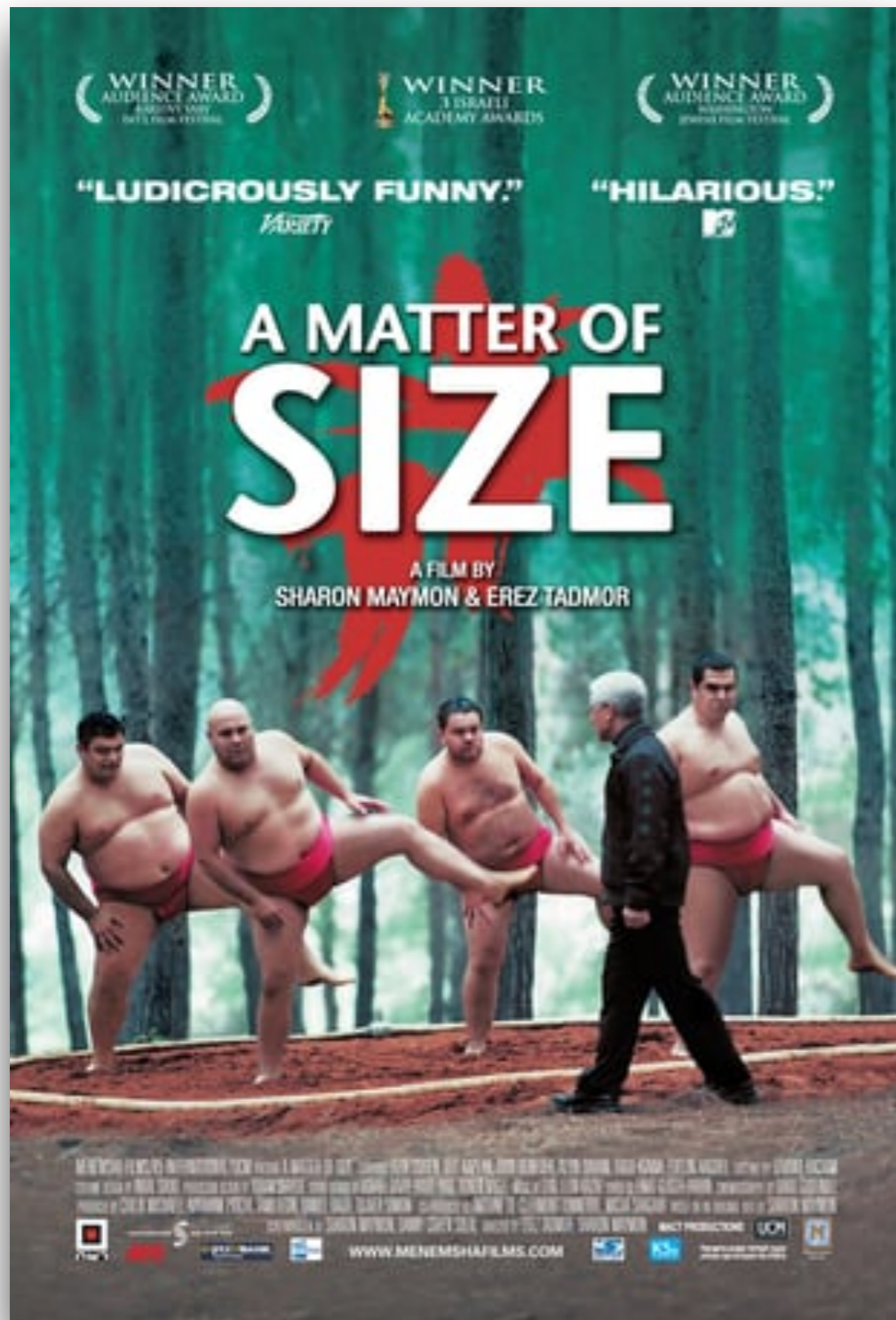
• **PRE-CONFERENCE SCHOOL**

To improve the participation of students and young researchers at the conference a pre-conference school is taking place on **SUNDAY 26 January 2025**: four topical lectures will be held covering the basis of the main physics topics dealt within the conference. Students are asked to select the proper field in the registration form, if they intend to participate.

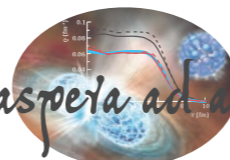
• **STUDENTS FELLOWSHIPS**

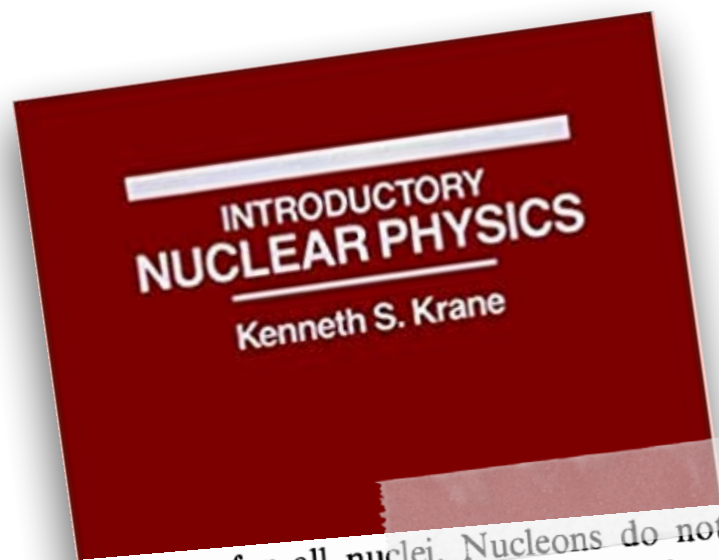
A limited number of fellowships will be awarded to brilliant students to cover their accommodation and conference fee. Students who intend to apply for the fellowships are asked to send their application (**cover letter, CV and abstract**) in one single pdf file to organizers@bormioconf.org by **OCTOBER 13th**. Participation to the pre-conference school for students awarded our student fellowships is mandatory.

Nuclear Sizes...



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Nuclear Charge Radius

nearly the same for all nuclei. Nucleons do not seem to congregate near the center of the nucleus, but instead have a fairly constant distribution out to the surface. (The conclusion from measurements of the nuclear matter distribution is the same.) Thus the number of nucleons per unit volume is roughly constant:

$$\frac{A}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \sim \text{constant} \quad (3.7)$$

where R is the mean nuclear radius. Thus $R \propto A^{1/3}$, and defining the proportionality constant R_0 gives

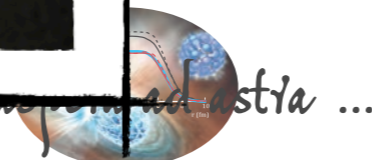
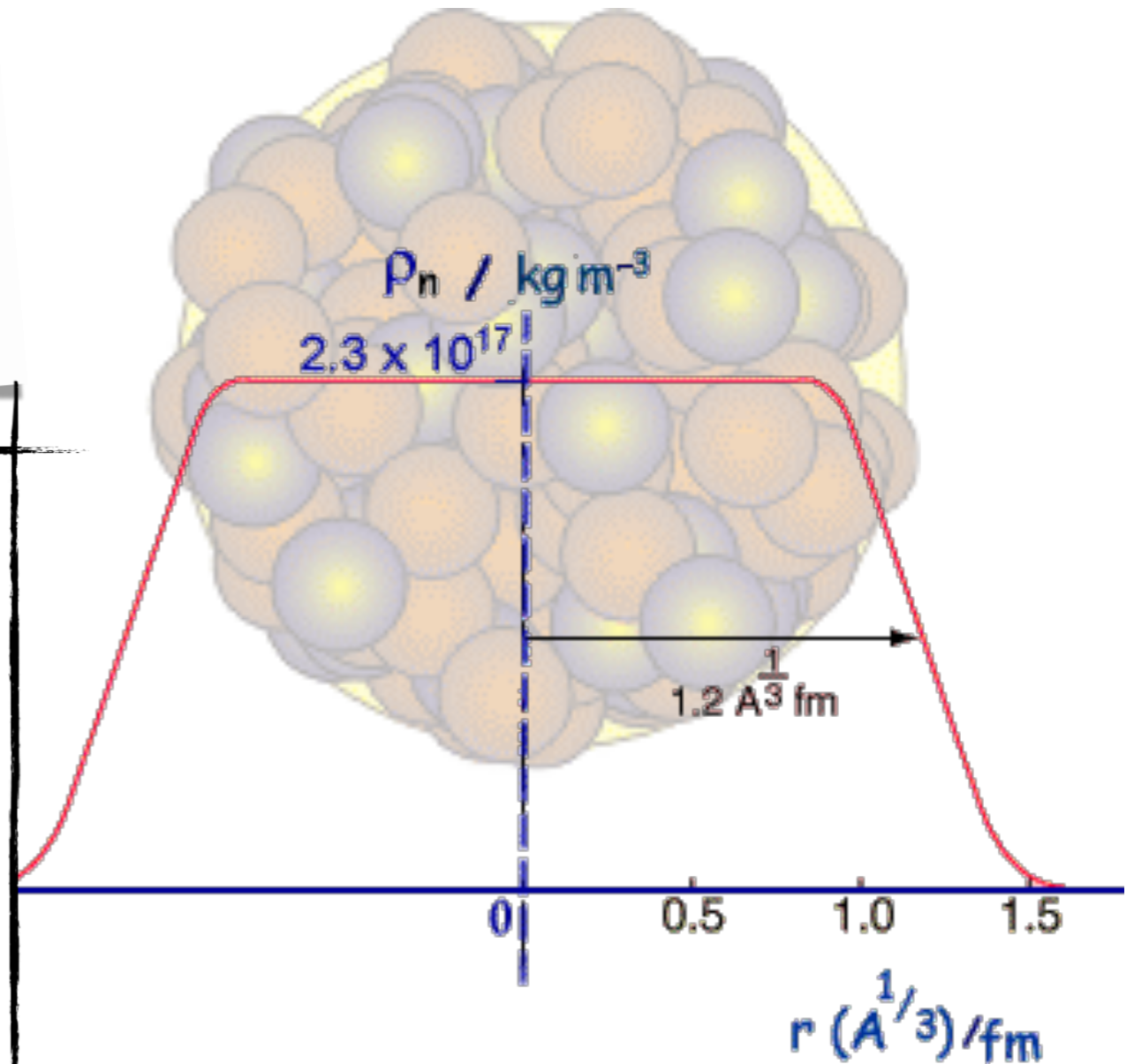
$$R = R_0 A^{1/3} \quad (3.8)$$

Mass-Radius Relation

$$\rho_0 = 0.15 \text{ fm}^{-3} = \frac{A}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} = \left(\frac{3A}{4\pi}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$R^3 = \left(\frac{3}{4\pi\rho_0}\right)A \Rightarrow R(A) = \left[\frac{3}{4\pi\rho_0}\right]^{1/3} A^{1/3}$$

$R(M) \sim M^{1/3}$	NUCLEAR physics short-range
$R(M) \sim M^{1/3}$	GRAVITY - long-range interactions





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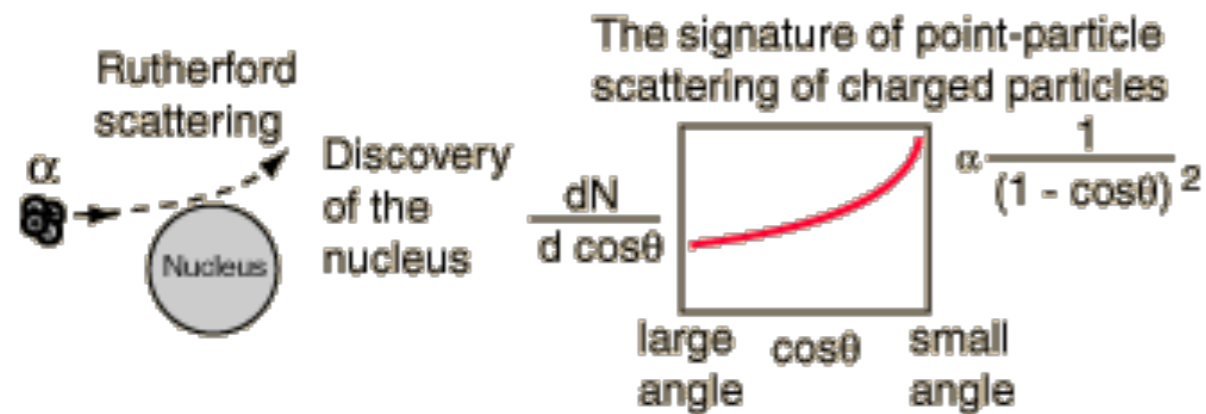


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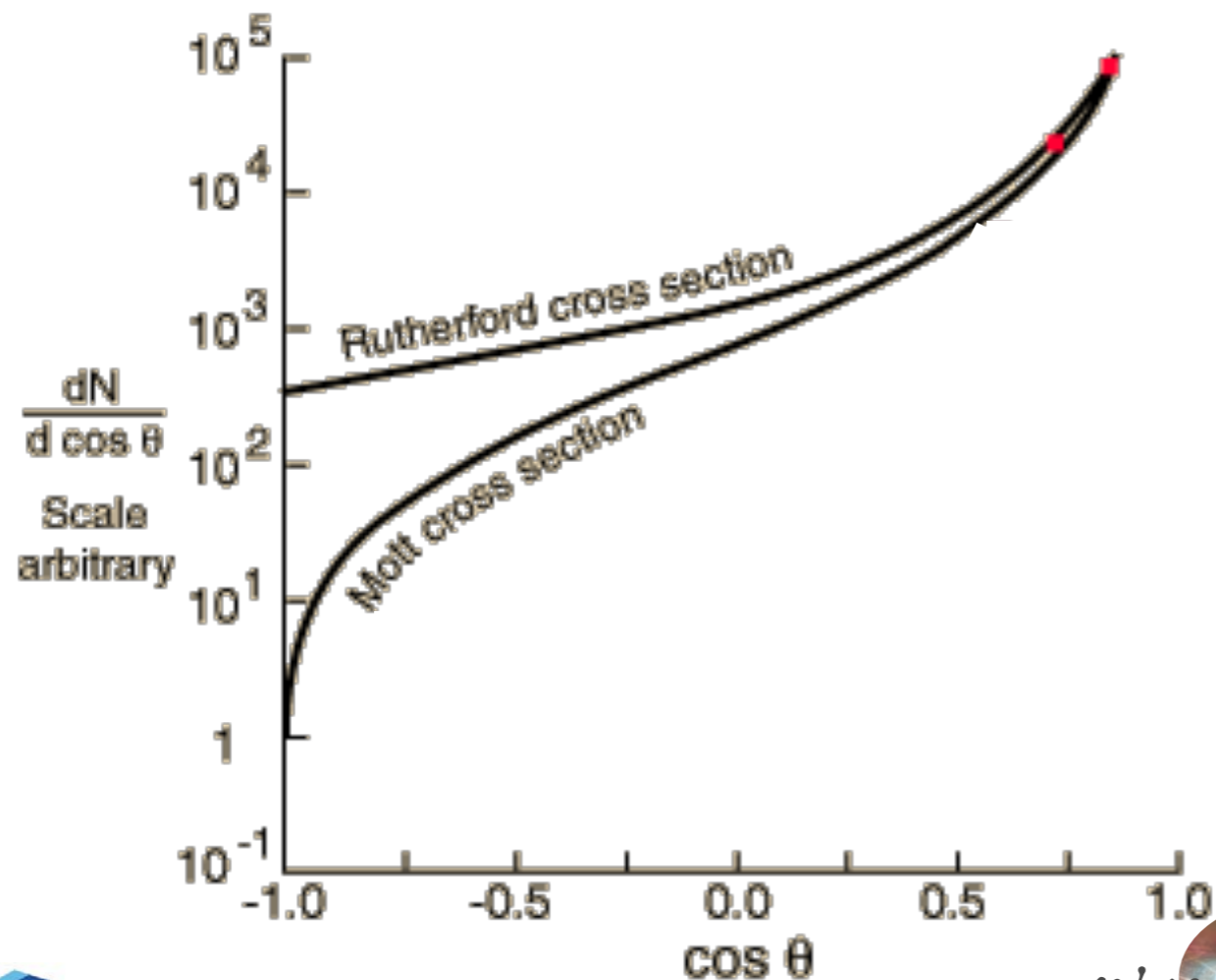
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Rutherford Scattering

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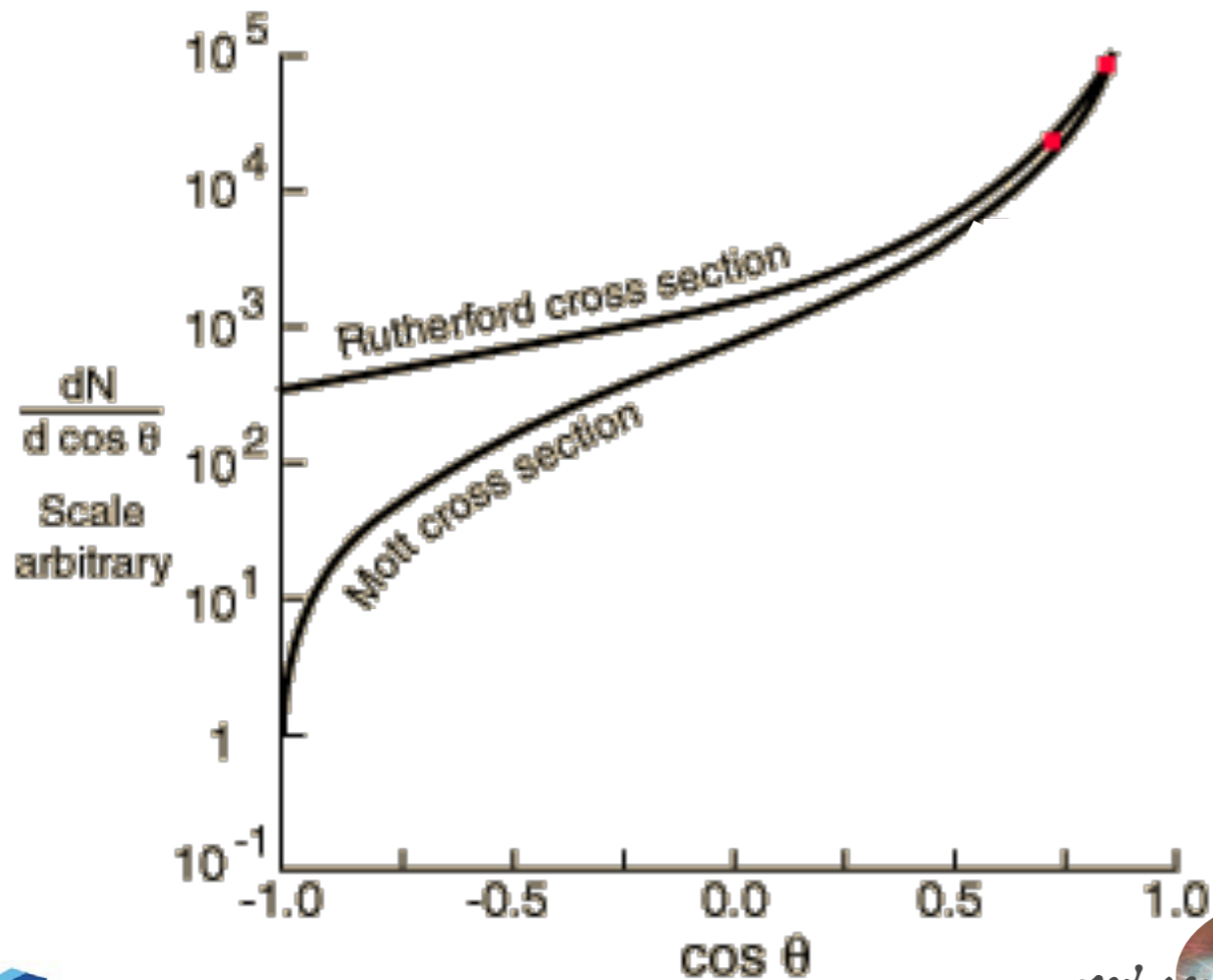
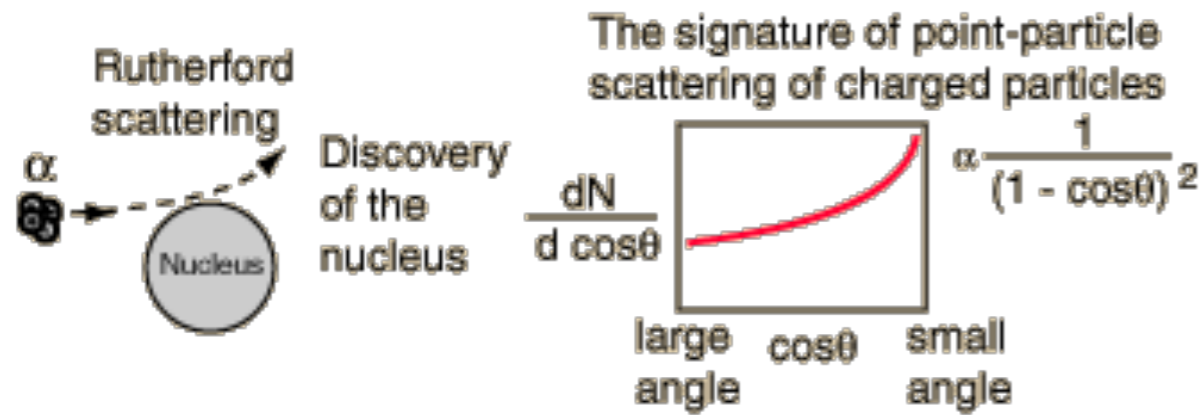


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- + relativistic electrons
- + nuclear recoil
- + magnetic moments
- = **Mott Scattering**

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2}{4E_1^2 \sin^4 \theta / 2} \frac{E_3}{E_1} \left(\underbrace{\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}_{\text{Rutherford}} - \underbrace{\frac{q^2}{2M^2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}_{\substack{\text{Proton recoil} \\ \text{Electric/Magnetic scattering} \\ \text{Magnetic term due to spin}}} \right)$$

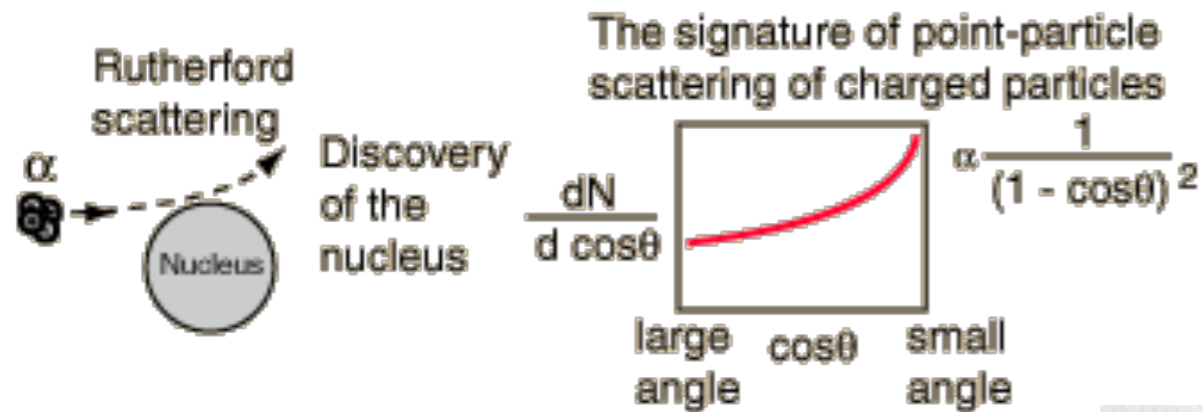
Pointlike Dirac proton!

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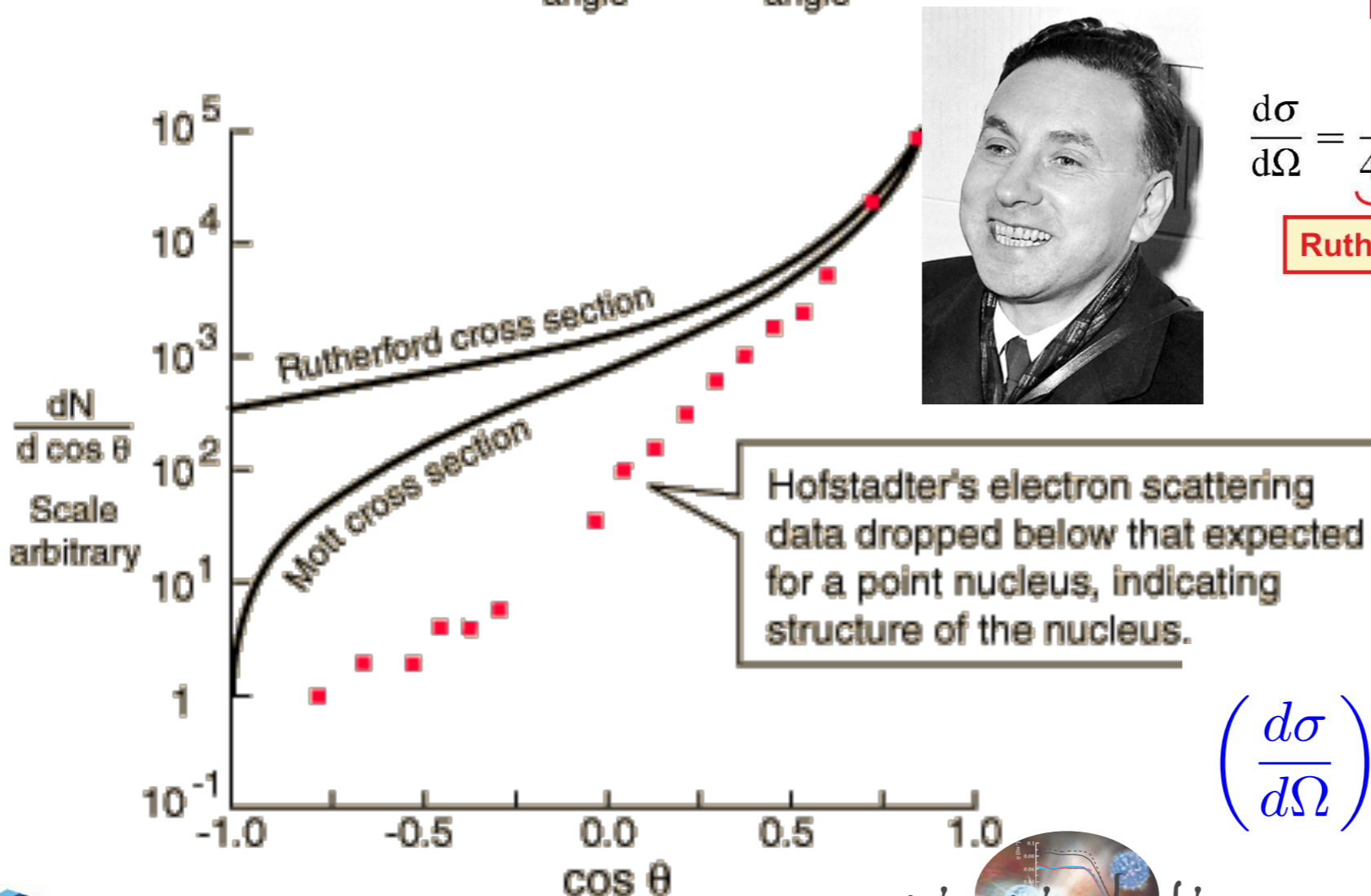
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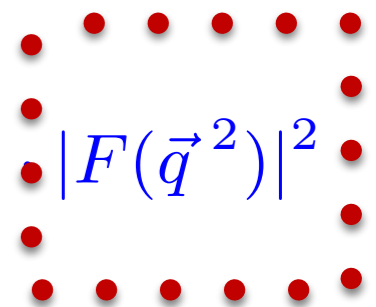
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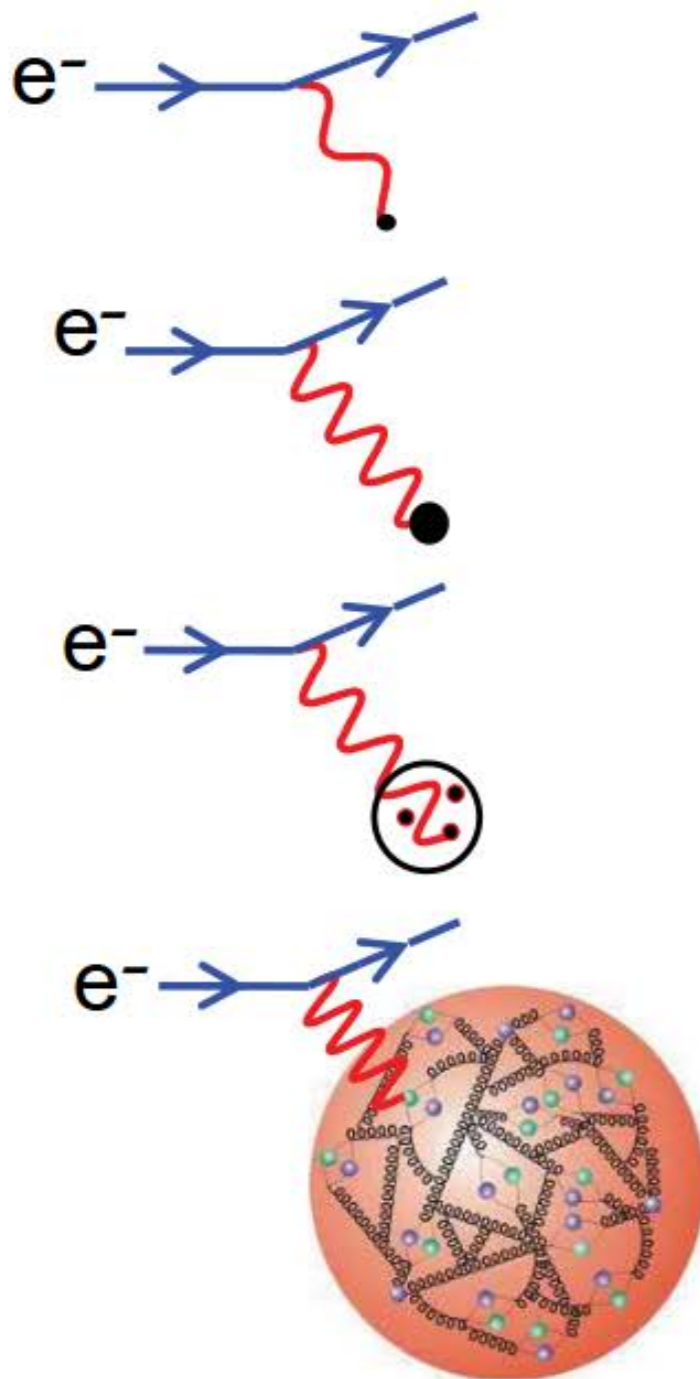
$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{exp} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{Mott}^* |F(\vec{q}^2)|^2$$



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Form Factors

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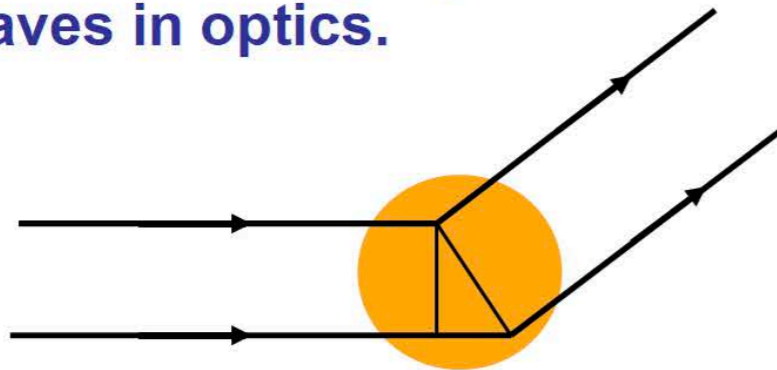


- ♦ At **very low** electron energies $\lambda \gg r_p$:
the scattering is equivalent to that from a “point-like” spin-less object
- ♦ At **low** electron energies $\lambda \sim r_p$:
the scattering is equivalent to that from a extended charged object
- ♦ At **high** electron energies $\lambda < r_p$:
the wavelength is sufficiently short to resolve sub-structure. Scattering from constituent quarks
(for a nucleus, from the constituent protons and neutrons)
- ♦ At **very high** electron energies $\lambda \ll r_p$:
the proton appears to be a sea of quarks and gluons.

Form Factors

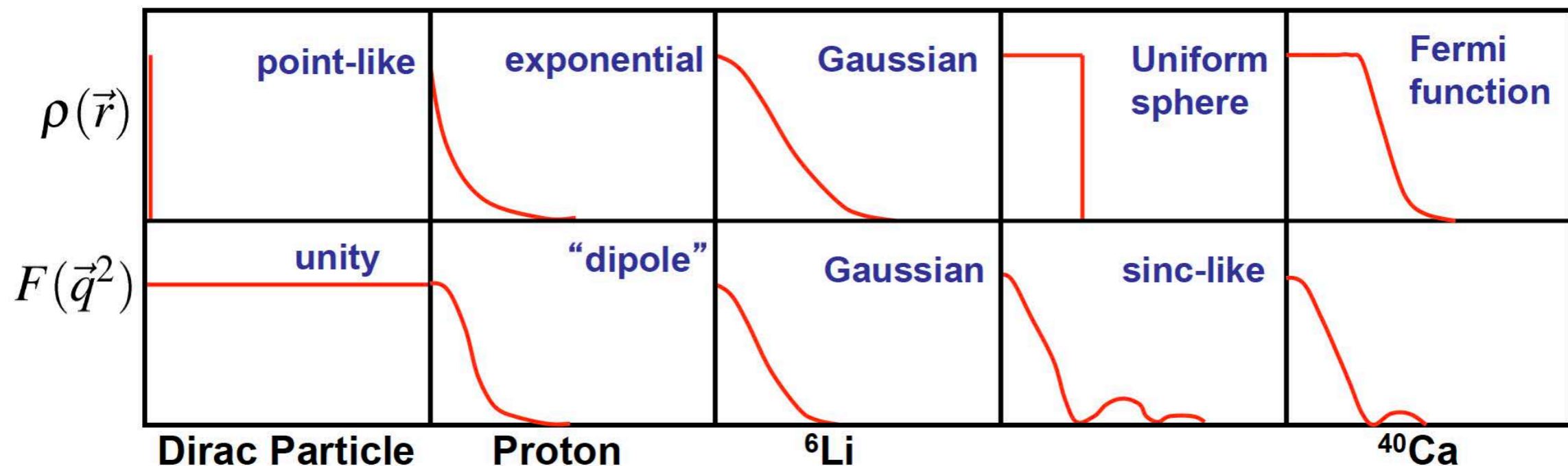
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- There is nothing mysterious about form factors – similar to diffraction of plane waves in optics.



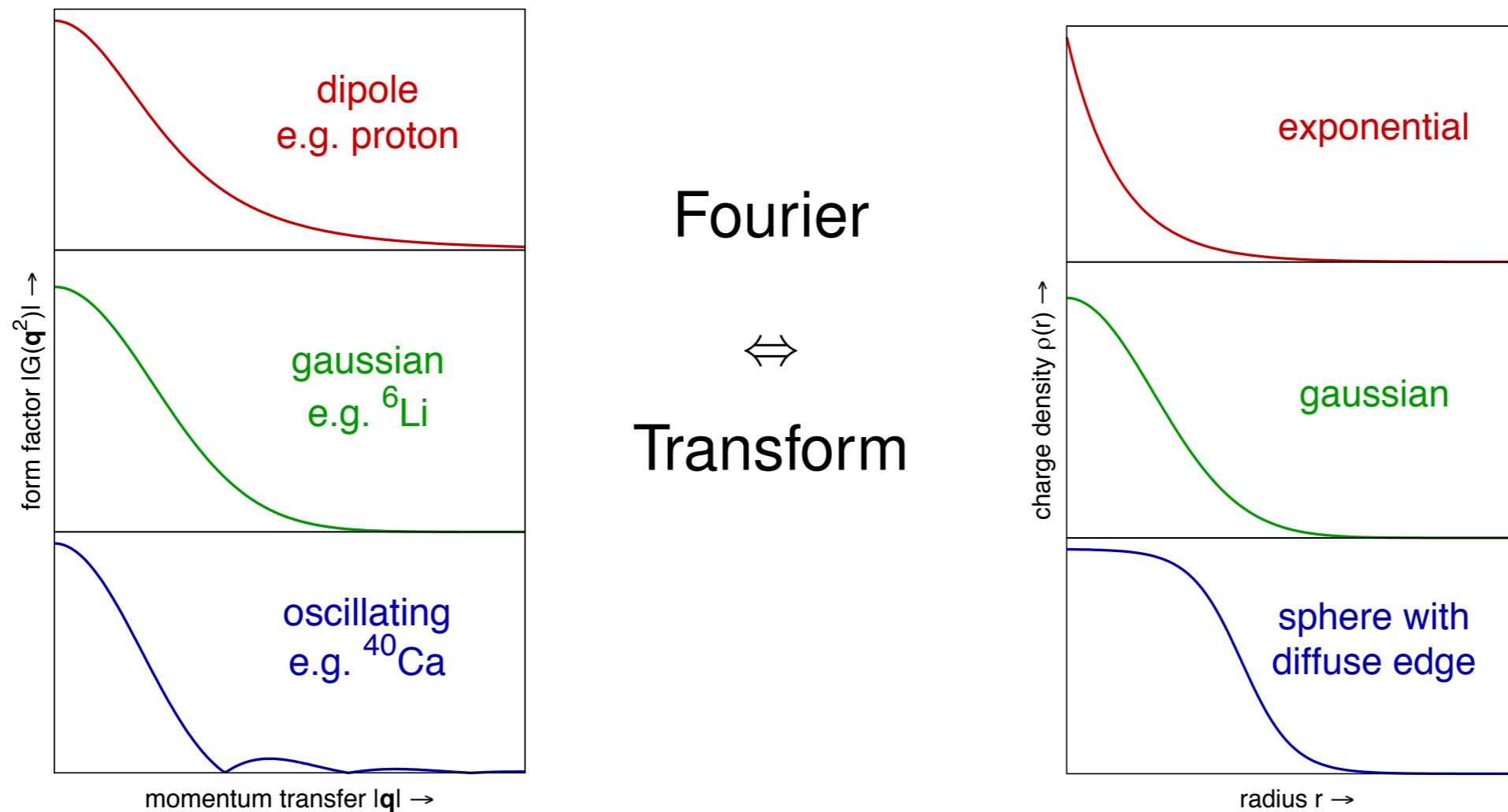
- The finite size of the scattering centre introduces a phase difference between plane waves “scattered from different points in space”. If wavelength is long compared to size all waves in phase and $F(\vec{q}^2) = 1$

For example:



Form Factors from Elastic eN scattering

$$\text{form factor: } F(q^2) = \frac{1}{e} \int_0^\infty \rho(r) \frac{\sin qr}{qr} 4\pi r^2 dr$$



$$\text{charge distribution: } \rho(r) = \frac{e}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^\infty F(q^2) \frac{\sin qr}{qr} 4\pi q^2 dq$$

Nuclear Charge Radius

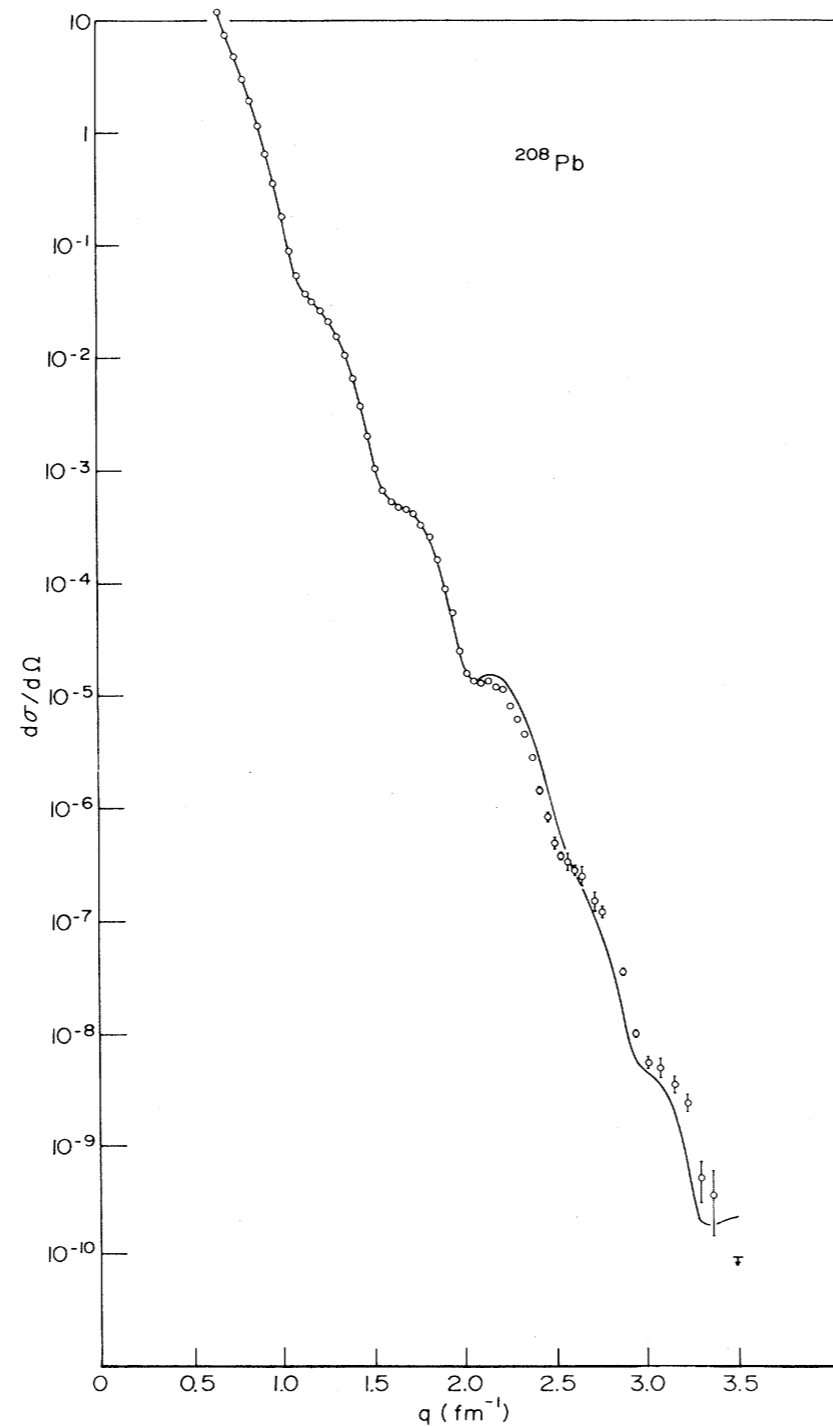
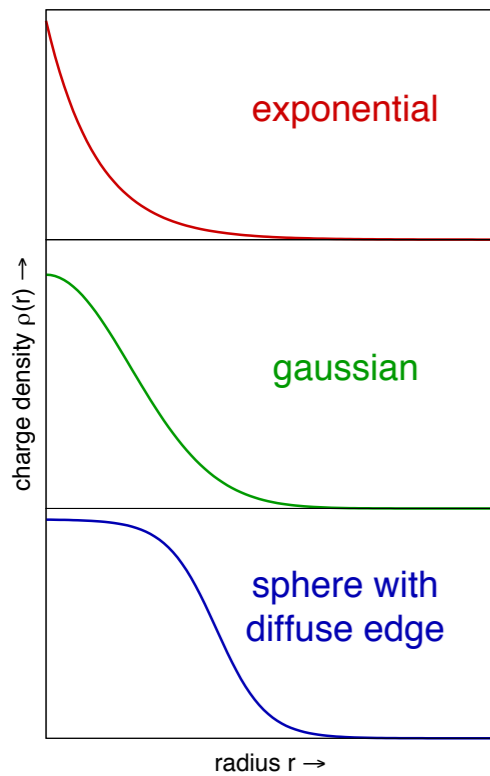
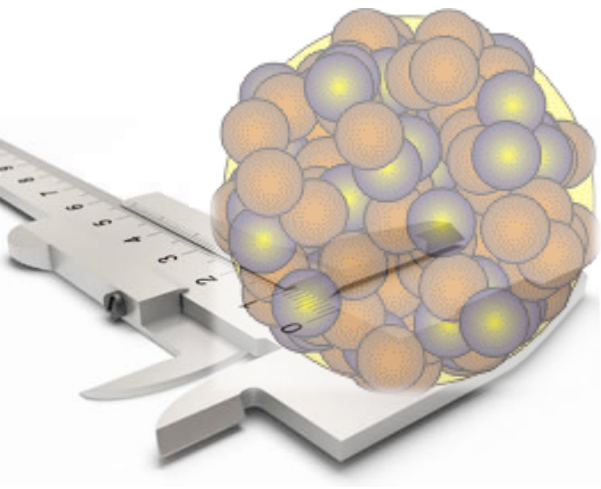


FIG. 10. Cross sections for elastic electron scattering from ^{208}Pb at 502 MeV compared with DME mean-field theory prediction (solid line).

- Cross section over **12 orders of magnitude!**
- **THIS** is our picture of the atomic nucleus!

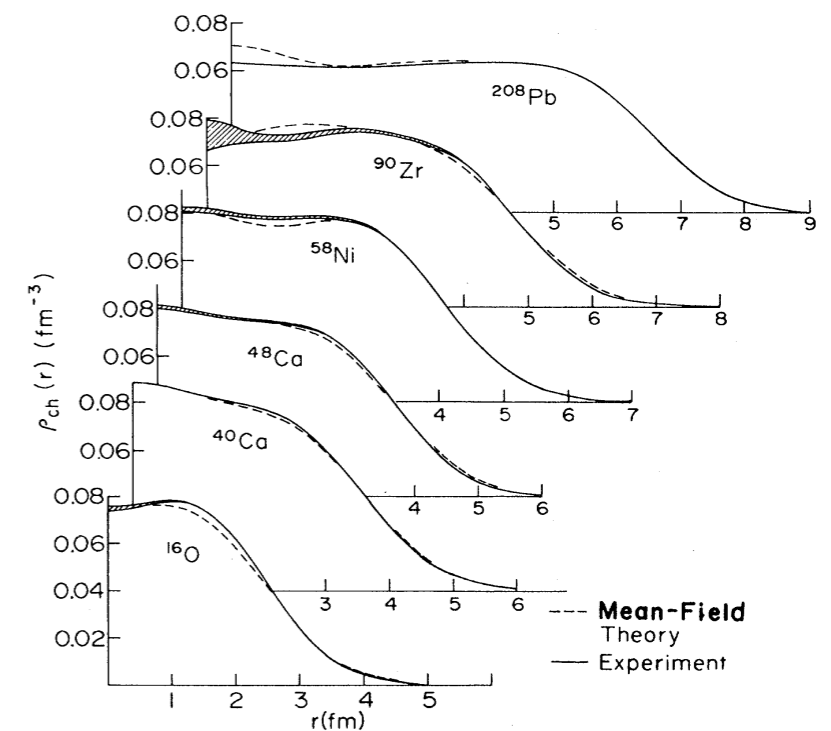
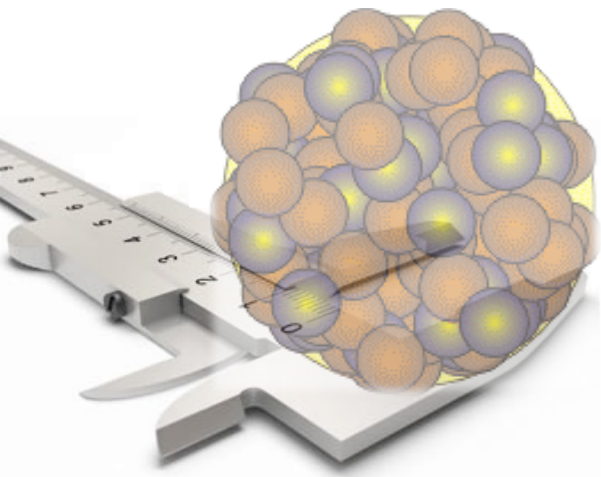
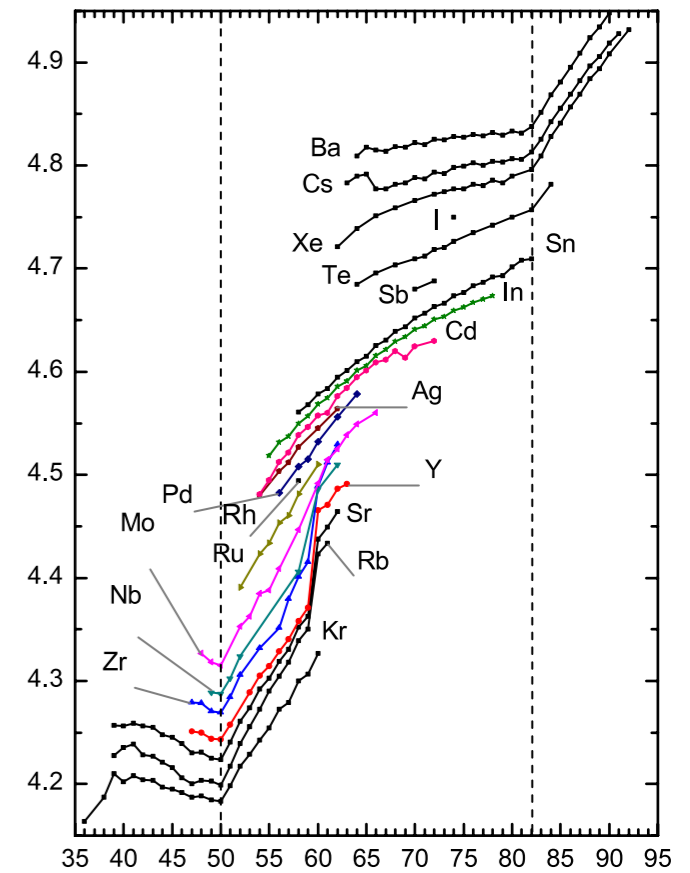
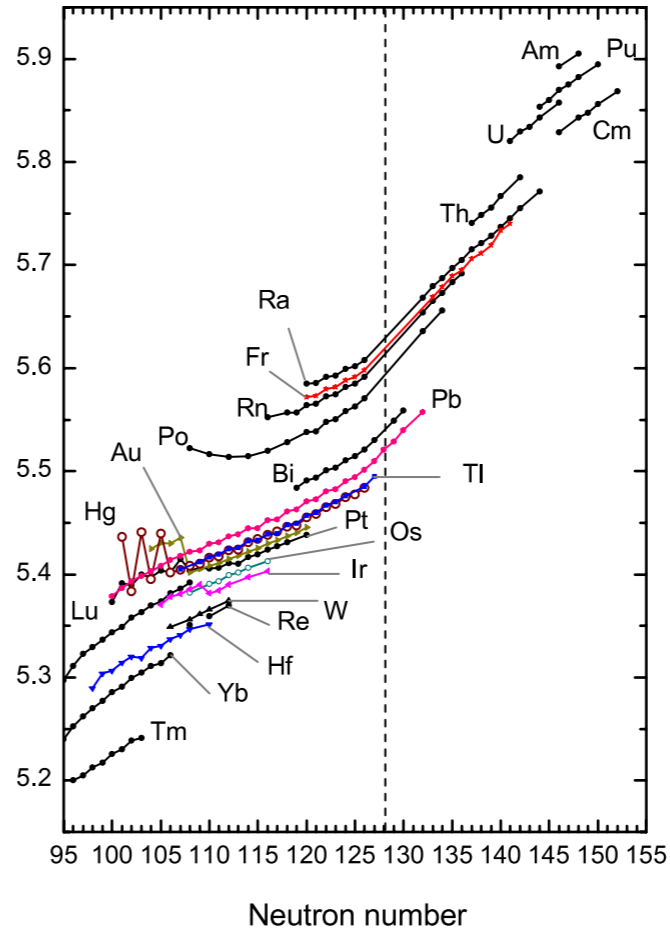
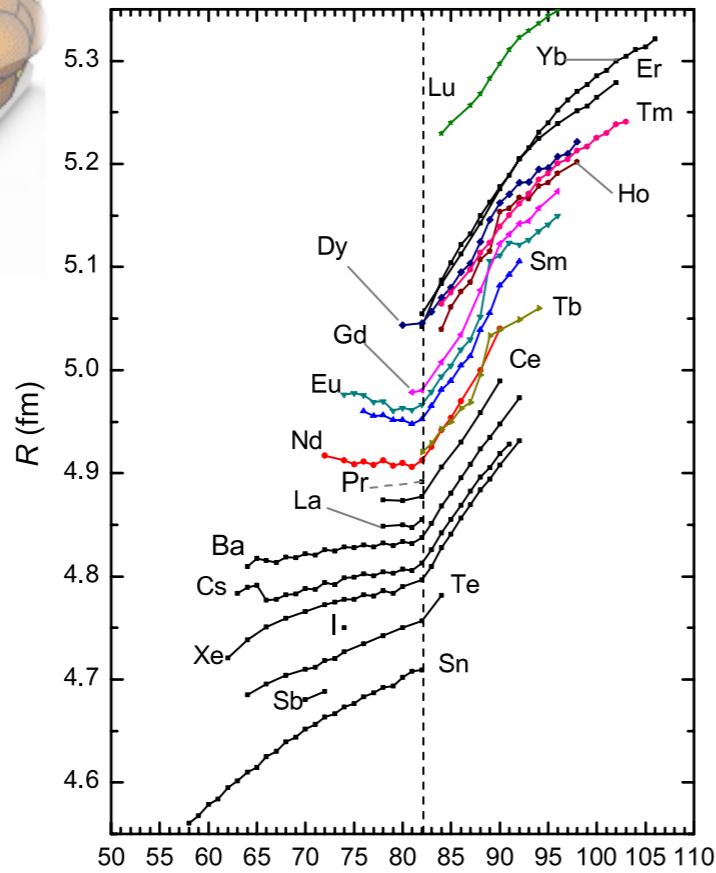
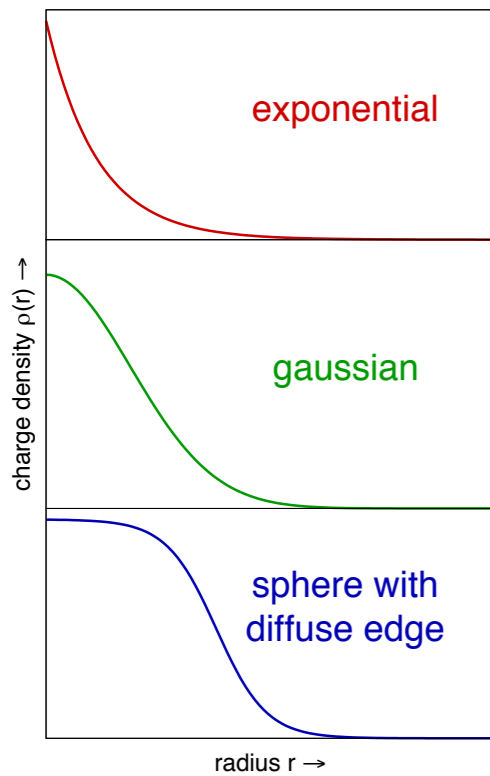


FIG. 11. Comparison of DME mean-field theory charge distributions in spherical nuclei (dashed lines) with empirical charge densities. The solid curves and shaded regions represent the error envelope of densities consistent with the measured cross sections and their experimental uncertainties.

Nuclear Charge Radius



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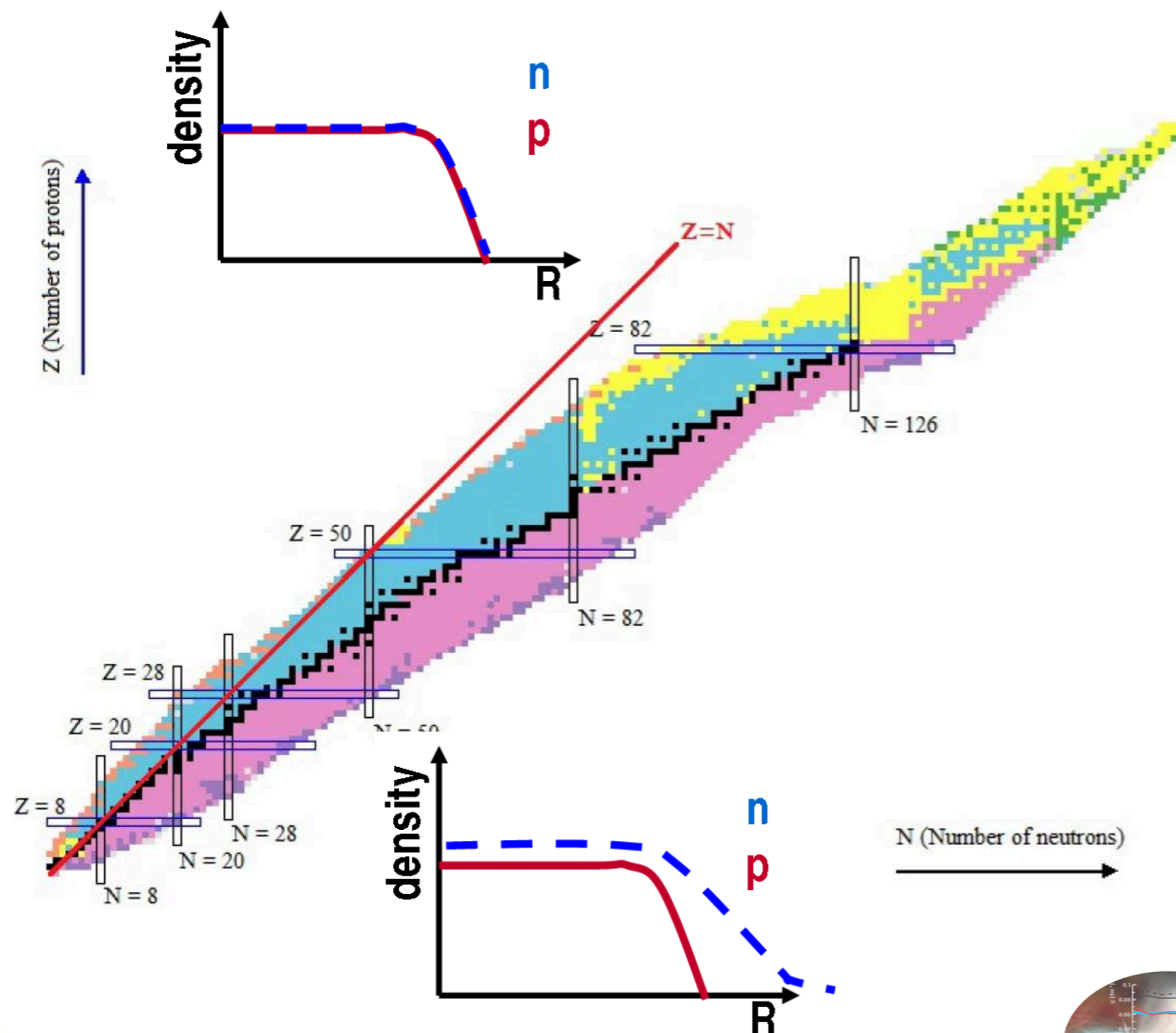
- Kinks at closed neutron shells
- Regular odd-even staggering
- Obvious shape effects
- **Radii of isotopes increase at ~half rate of $1.2A^{1/3}$!!!**

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...did somebody already mentioned neutron-skin to you?



The neutron skin measures how much neutrons stick out past protons



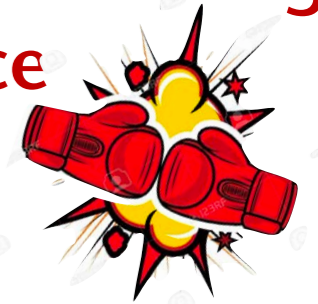
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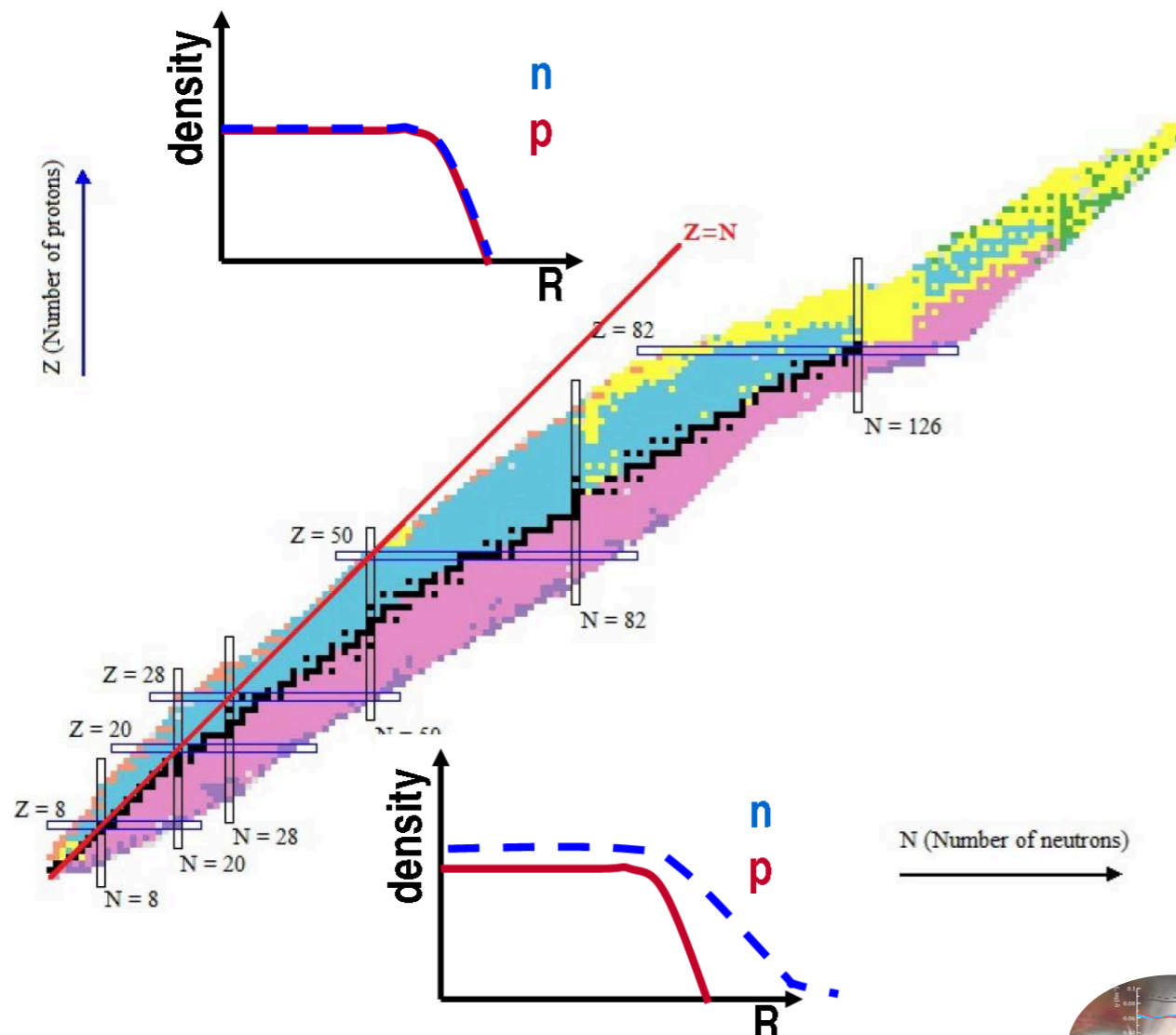


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Symmetry energy favours moving them to the surface



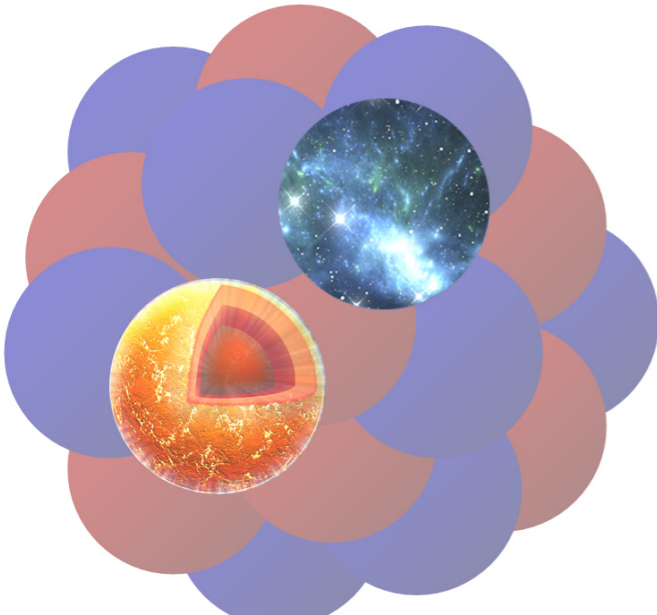
Surface tension favours spherical drop of uniform equilibrium density



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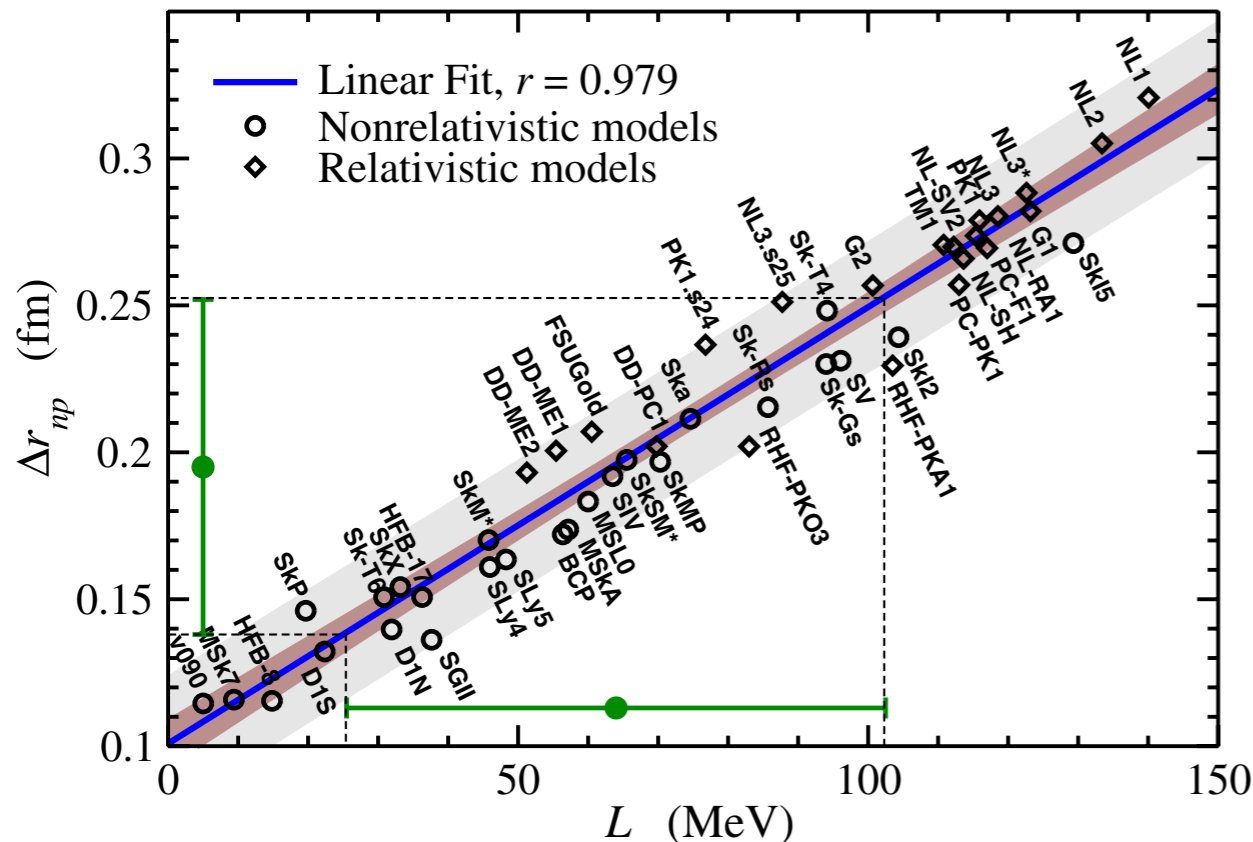
The spoiler: reality!



$$\mathcal{E}(\rho, \alpha) = \mathcal{E}(\rho, \alpha = 0) + S(\rho) \alpha^2 + \dots$$

$$S(\rho) = J + L \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0} \right) + \frac{1}{2} K_{\text{sym}} \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0} \right)^2 + \dots$$

X. Roca-Maza, et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 106, 252501 (2011)



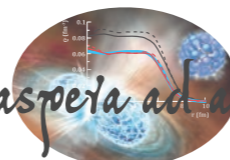
slope parameter

$$L = 3\rho_0 \left. \frac{\partial E_{\text{sym}}(\rho)}{\partial \rho} \right|_{\rho_0}$$

curvature parameter

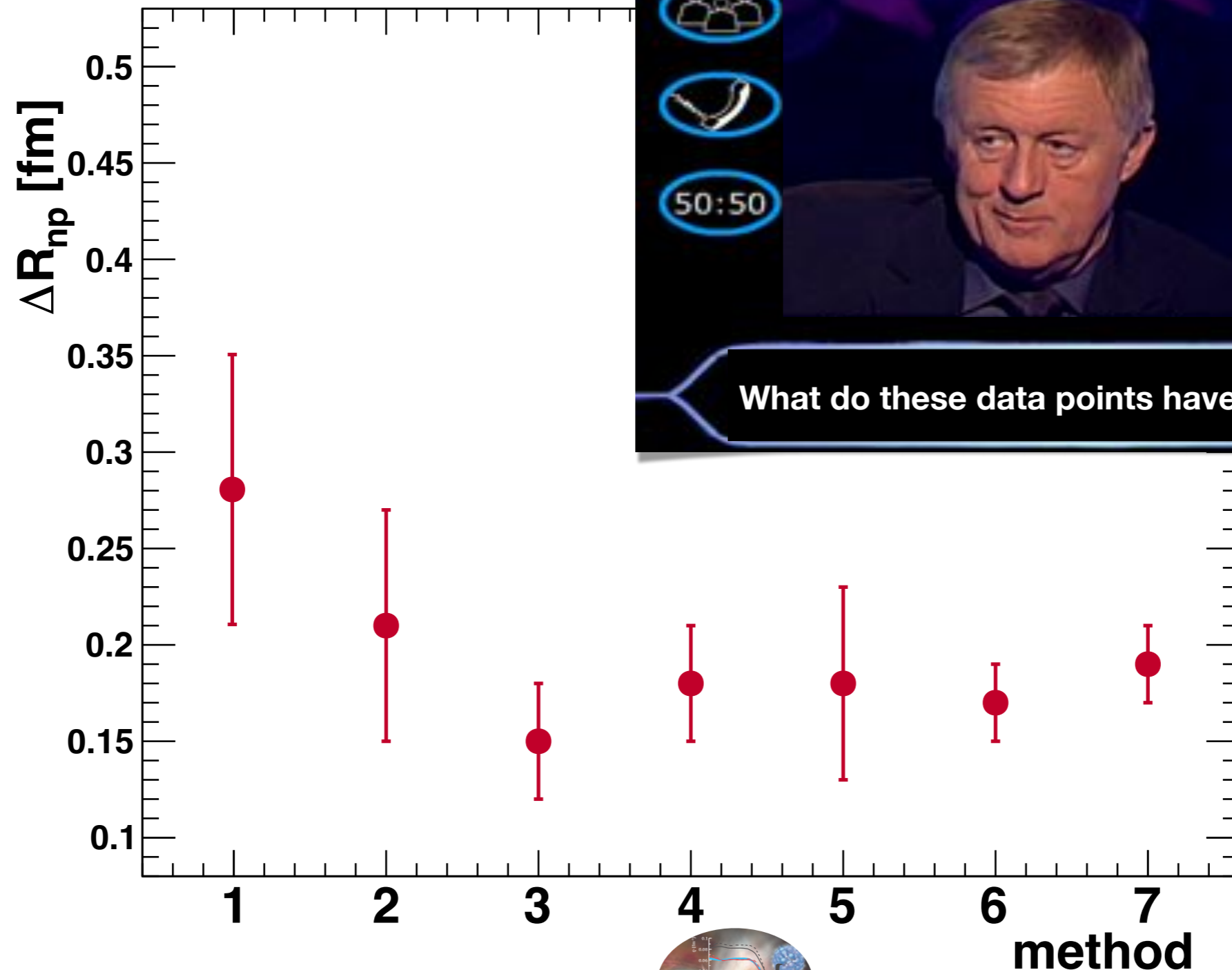
$$K_{\text{sym}} = 9\rho_0^2 \left. \frac{\partial^2 E_{\text{sym}}(\rho)}{\partial \rho^2} \right|_{\rho_0}$$

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The stairway to heaven

The answer to the ultimate question



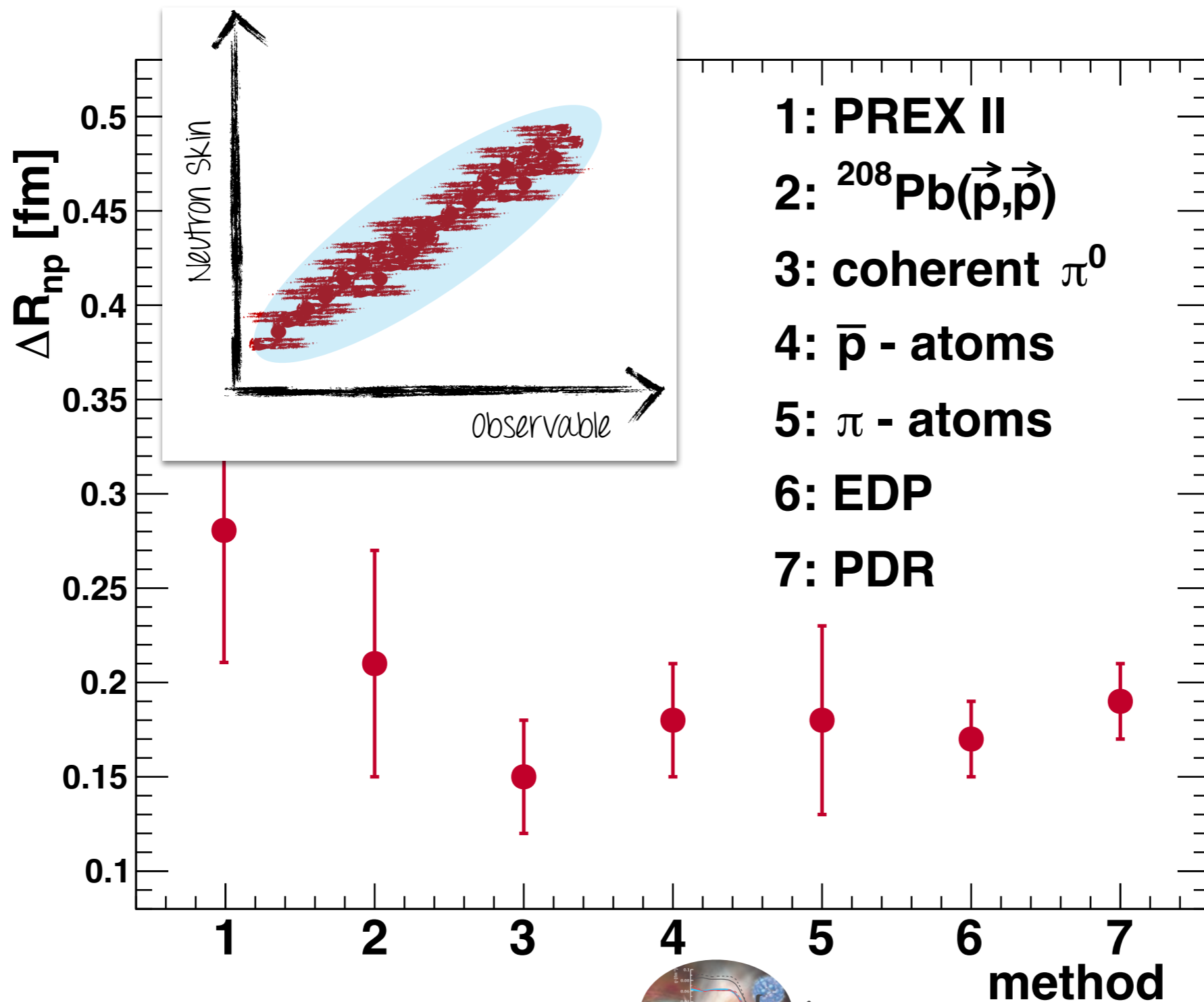
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6	£2,000
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4	£500
3	£300
2	£200
1	£100

What do these data points have in common?

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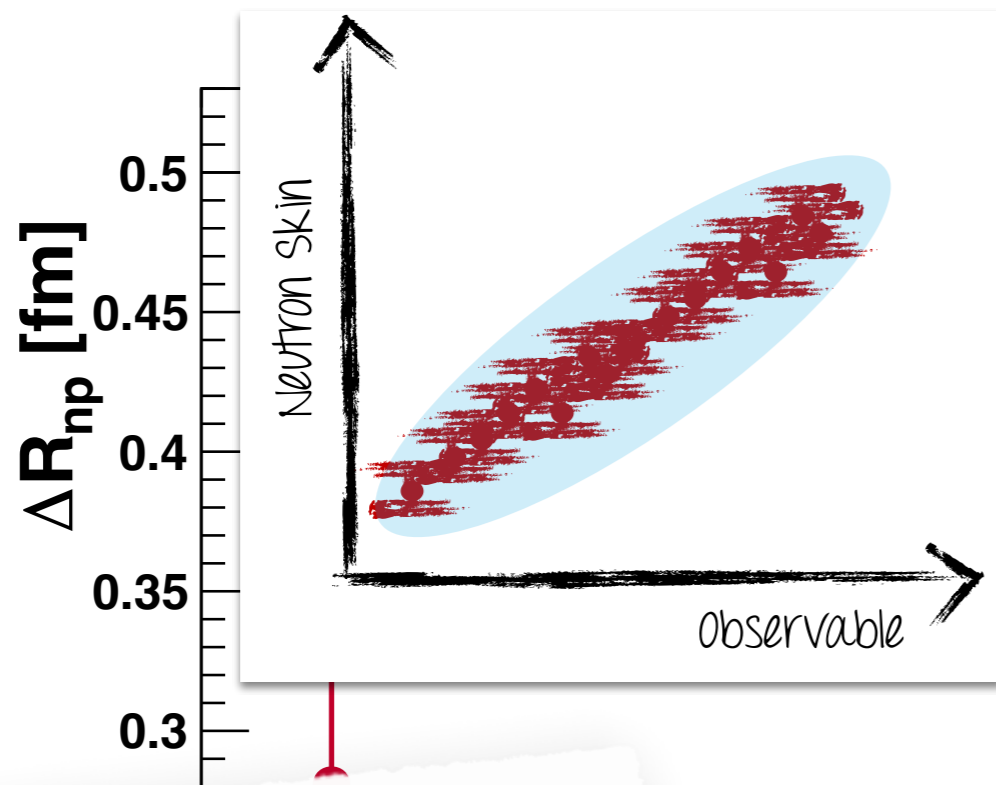
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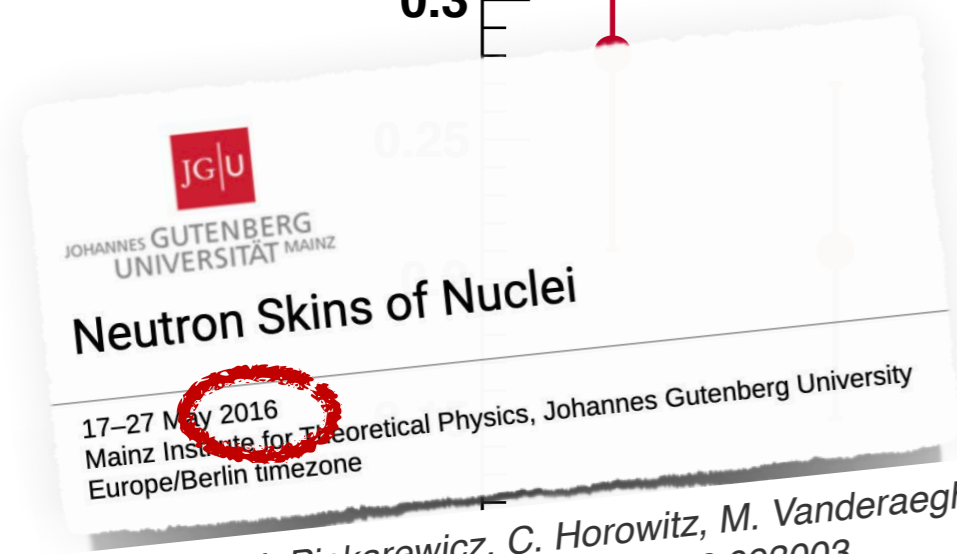
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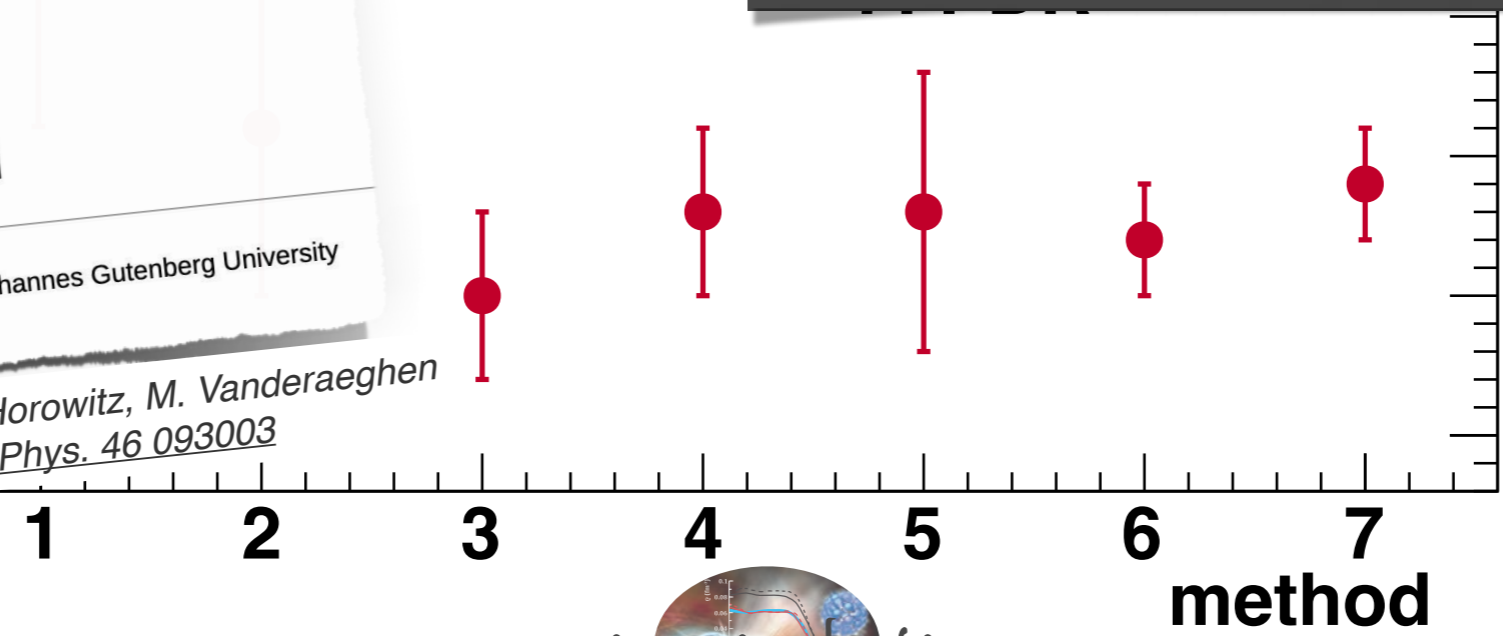
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IT'S OK IF YOU
DISAGREE WITH ME.
I CAN'T FORCE YOU TO BE RIGHT.



M. Thiel, CS, J. Piekarewicz, C. Horowitz, M. Vanderaeghen
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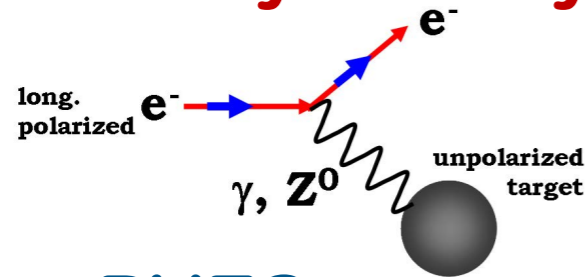
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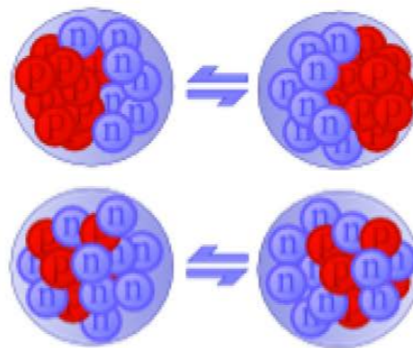
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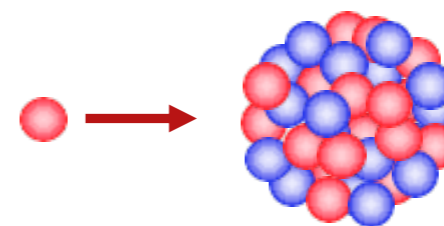
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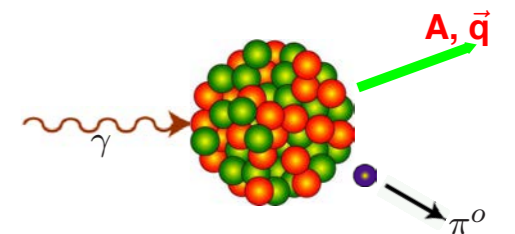


Collective Excitation

Cross-section



Hadronic Probes



EM Probes

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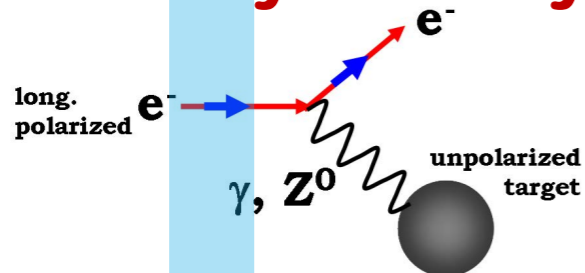
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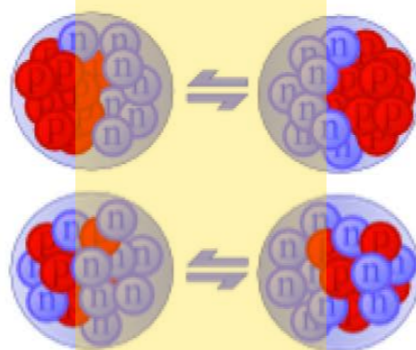
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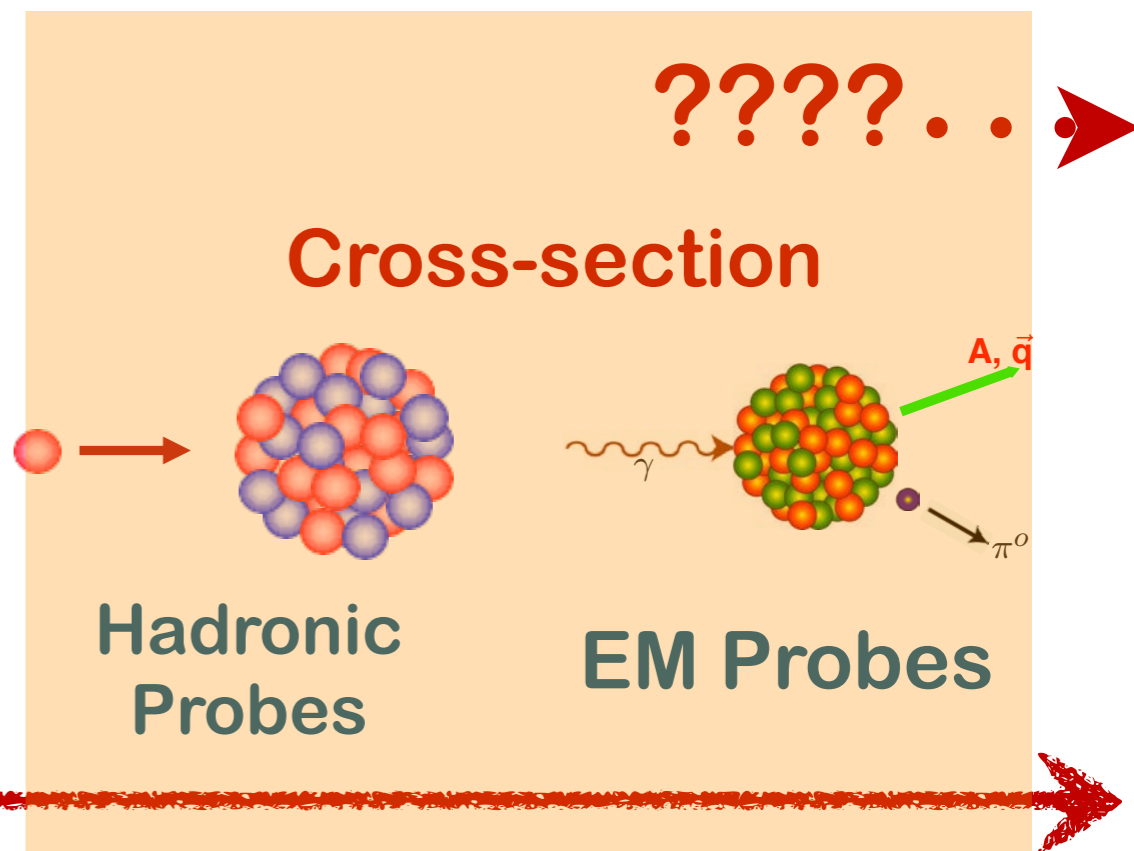


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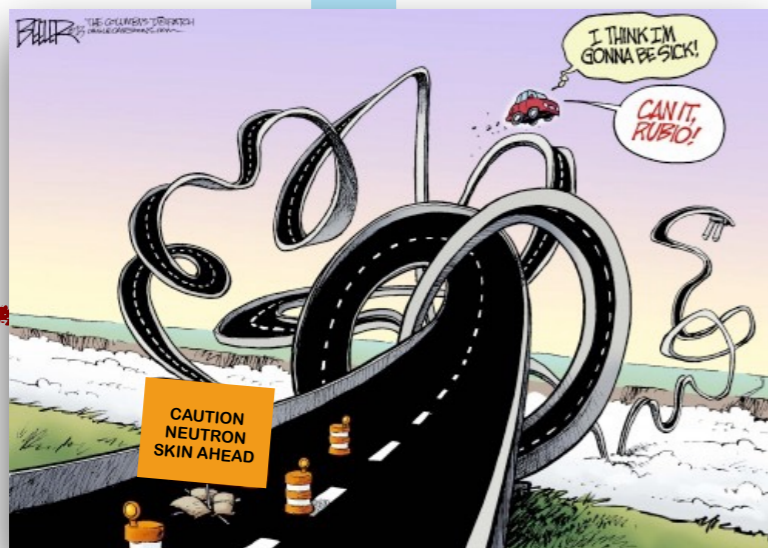
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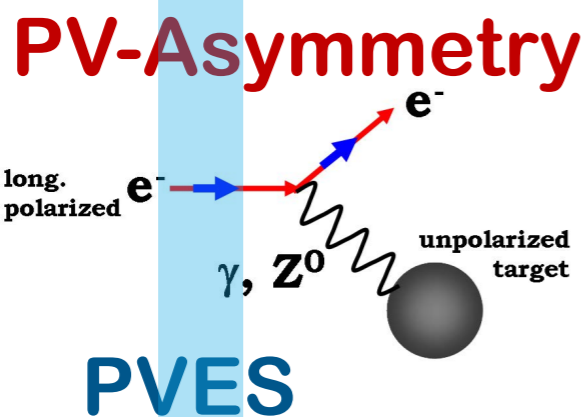
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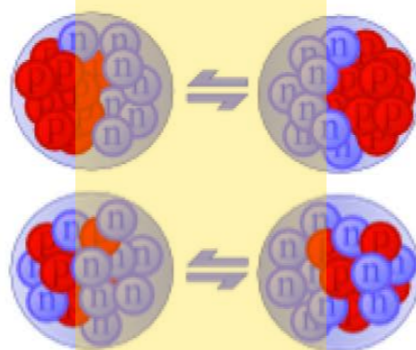


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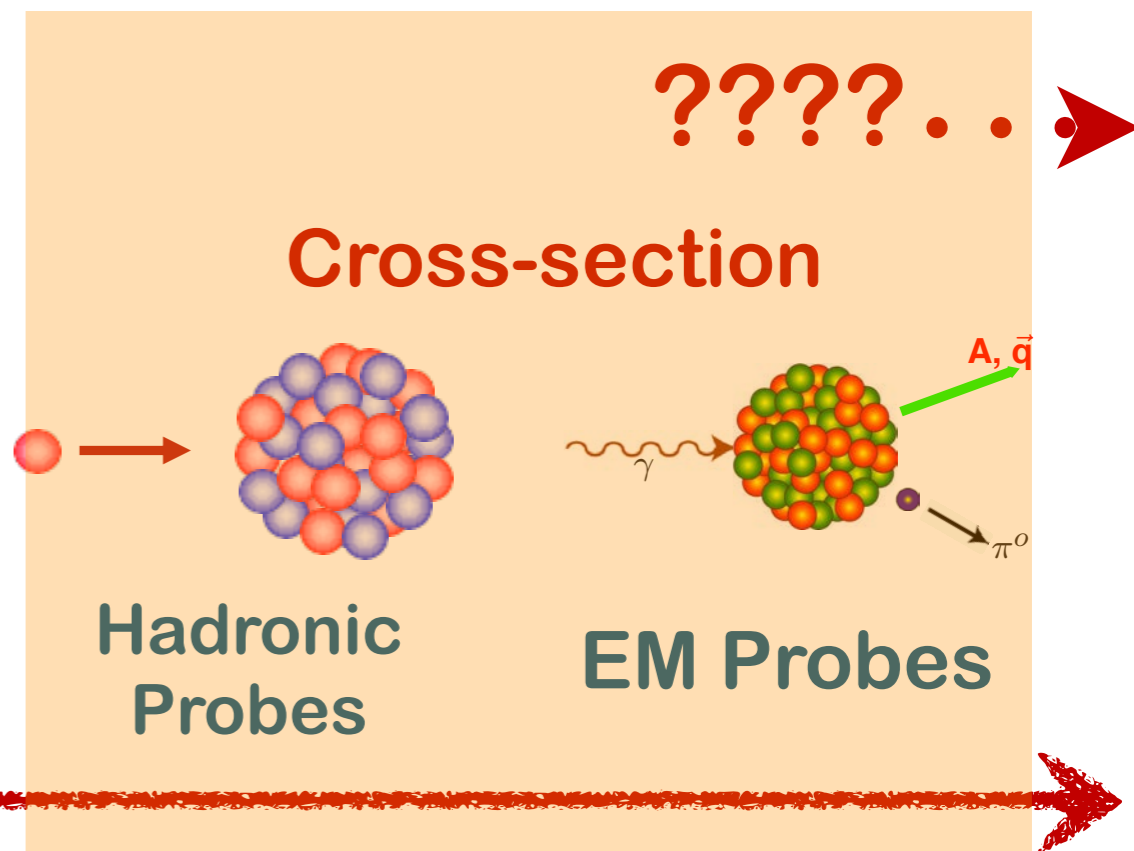
Experimental Challenges
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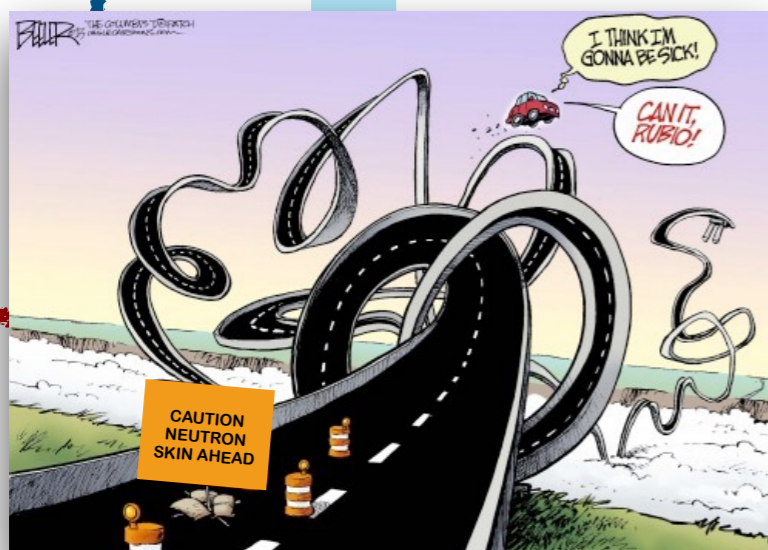
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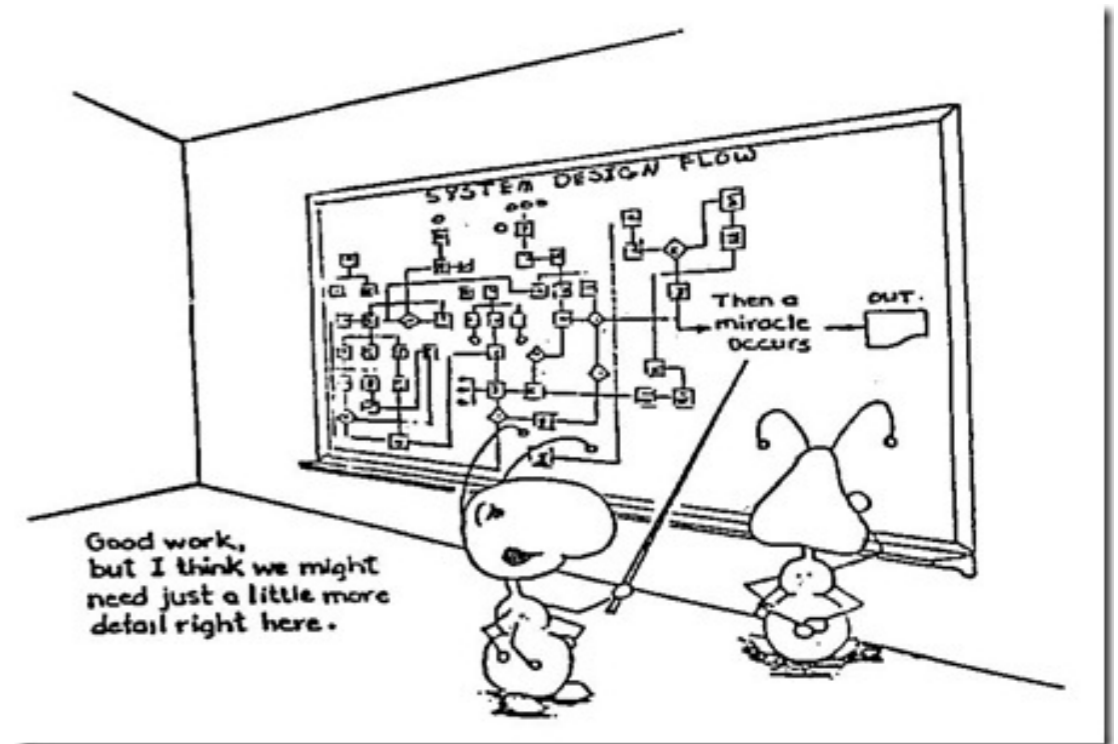
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(*) this is not an acceptable flow diagram!

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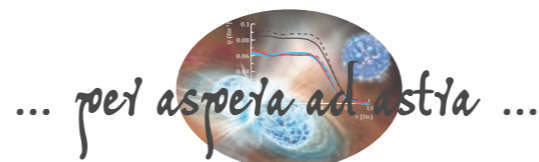
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▶ **Step 3: Quantify Uncertainties: Assign (when possible) numerical values to each source of uncertainty.**

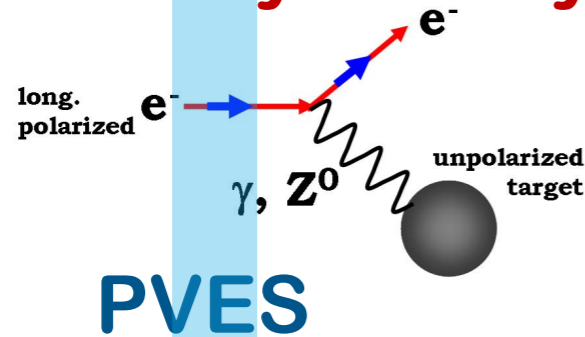


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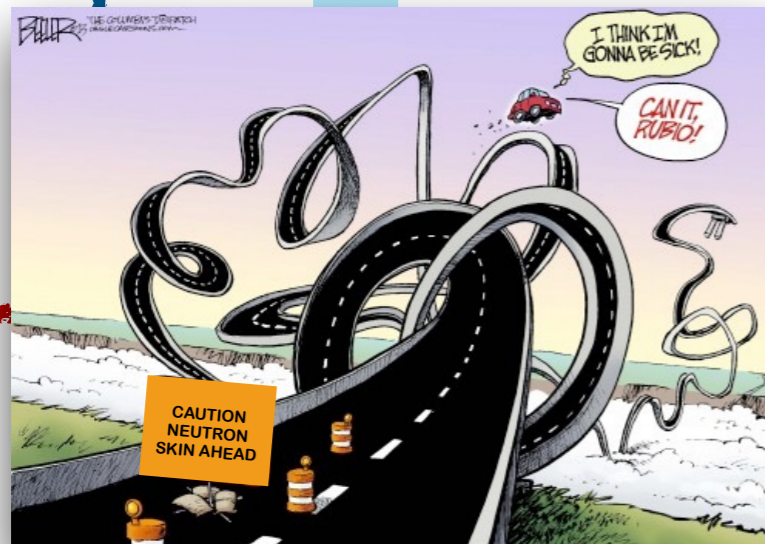
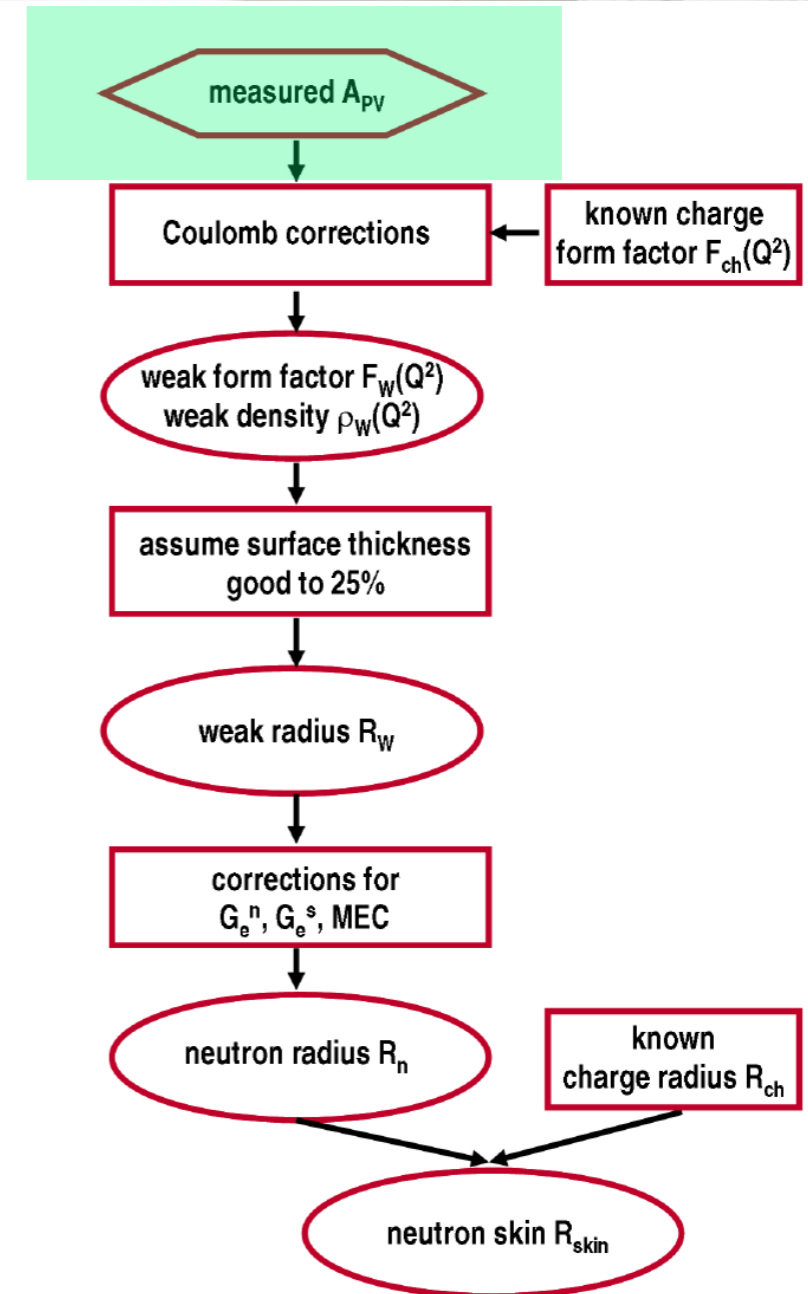
The shortest road ...

Experimental Challenges
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Theo. uncertainties (a.u)

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The weak interaction in a nutshell

- Mediated by 3 massive gauge bosons: W^\pm , Z^0
- W^\pm and Z^0 can interact with each other
- W^\pm and γ can interact
- two types of weak interaction: charge (CC) and neutral (NC) currents
- W^\pm and Z^0 also couple to the weak charges of the fermions:

Fermion	electric charge	weak charge
ν_e, ν_μ, ν_τ	0	
$e, \mu, \tau,$	-1	
u, c, t	$2/3$	
d, s, b	$1/3$	
$p (uud)$	+1	
$n (udd)$	0	

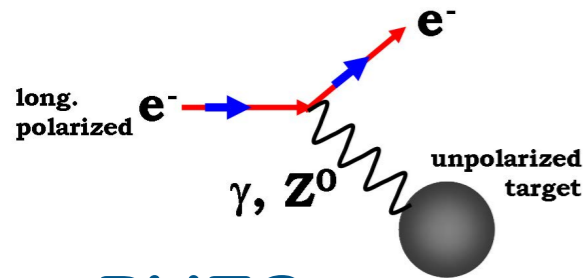
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- W^\pm and Z^0 can interact with each other
- W^\pm and γ can interact
- two types of weak interaction: charge (CC) and neutral (NC) currents
- W^\pm and Z^0 also couple to the weak charges of the fermions:



Fermion	electric charge	weak charge
ν_e, ν_μ, ν_τ	0	1
$e, \mu, \tau,$	-1	$-1 + 4\sin^2\theta_w \approx 0$
u, c, t	$2/3$	$1 - 8/3\sin^2\theta_w$
d, s, b	$1/3$	$-1 + 4/3\sin^2\theta_w$
$p (uud)$	+1	≈ 0
$n (udd)$	0	≈ 1

The weak interaction in a nutshell

PV-Asymmetry



PVES

		
electric charge	1	0
weak charge	≈ 0.07	1

Non-PV e-scattering

Electron scattering γ exchange provides R_p through nucleus FFs

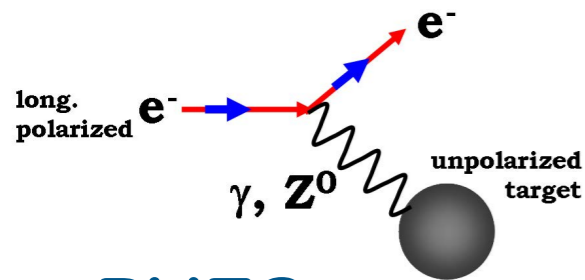
PV e-scattering

Electron also exchange Z , which is parity violating and primarily couples to neutron



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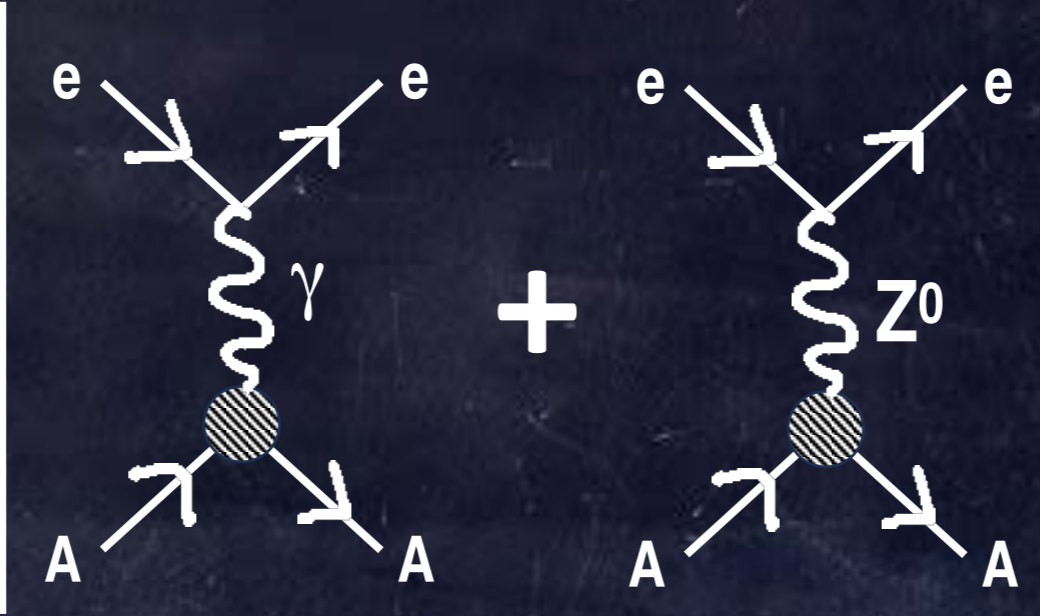
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$\sigma \propto$



$\sigma \propto \left| \mathcal{M}_\gamma \right|^2 + 2 \left| \mathcal{M}_\gamma \mathcal{M}_{Z^0} \right| + \left| \mathcal{M}_{Z^0} \right|^2$

normalized to ①: $\sigma \propto 1 + 10^{-5} + 10^{-10}$

- ① pure EM interaction
- ② interference term
- ③ pure weak interaction

Parity violation in electron scattering

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

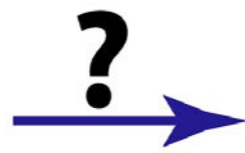
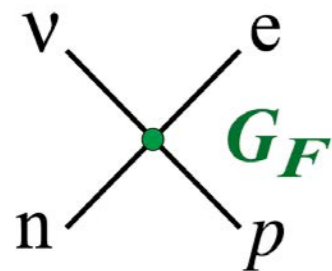
PARITY NONCONSERVATION IN THE FIRST ORDER IN THE WEAK-INTERACTION CONSTANT IN ELECTRON SCATTERING AND OTHER EFFECTS

Ya. B. ZEL' DOVICH

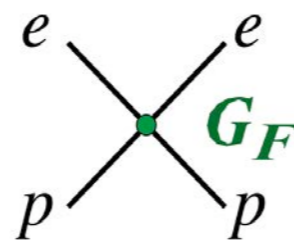
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J. Exptl. Theoret. Phys. (U.S.S.R.) 36, 964-966
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Neutron β Decay



*Electron-proton
Weak Scattering*



WE assume that besides the weak interaction that causes beta decay,

$$g(\bar{P}ON)(\bar{e}^-O\nu) + \text{Herm. conj.}, \quad (1)$$

there exists an interaction

$$g(\bar{P}OP)(\bar{e}^-Oe^-) \quad (2)$$

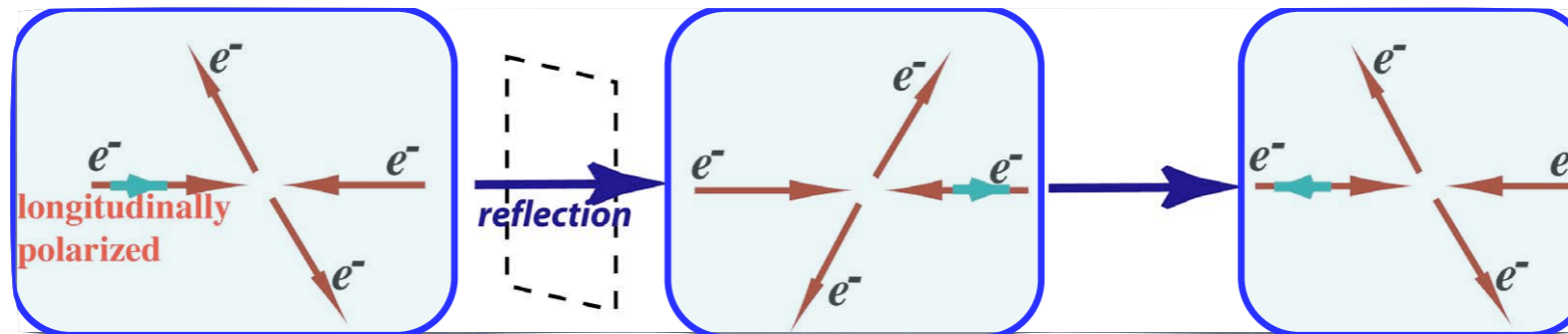
with $g \approx 10^{-49}$ and the operator $O = \gamma_\mu(1+i\gamma_5)$ characteristic¹ of processes in which parity is not conserved.*

Then in the scattering of electrons by protons the interaction (2) will interfere with the Coulomb scattering, and the nonconservation of parity will appear in terms of the first order in the small quantity g . Owing to this it becomes possible to test the hypothesis used here experimentally and to determine the sign of g .

In the scattering of fast ($\sim 10^9$ ev) longitudinally polarized electrons through large angles by unpolarized target nuclei it can be expected that the cross-sections for right-hand and left-hand electrons (i.e., for electrons with $\sigma \cdot p > 0$ and $\sigma \cdot p < 0$) can differ by 0.1 to 0.01 percent. Such an effect is a specific test for an interaction not conserving parity.

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PVeS: How to



- ▶ One of the incident beams longitudinally polarised
- ▶ Change sign of longitudinal polarisation
- ▶ Measure fractional rate difference

The matrix element of the Coulomb scattering is of the order of magnitude e^2/k^2 , where k is the momentum transferred ($\hbar = c = 1$). Consequently, the ratio of the interference term to the Coulomb term is of the order of gk^2/e^2 . Substituting $g = 10^{-5}/M^2$, where M is the mass of the nucleon, we find that for $k \sim M$ the parity non-conservation effects can be of the order of 0.1 to 0.01 percent.

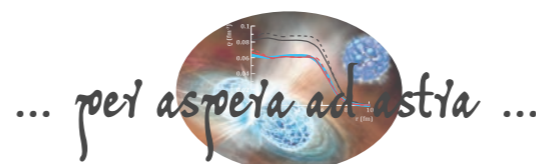
$$\sigma \propto |A_{EM} + A_{weak}|^2$$

$$\sim |A_{EM}|^2 + 2A_{EM}A_{weak}^* + \dots$$

Parity-violating

$$A_{PV} = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow} - \sigma_{\downarrow}}{\sigma_{\uparrow} + \sigma_{\downarrow}} \sim \frac{A_{weak}}{A_{EM}} \sim \frac{G_F Q^2}{4\pi\alpha}$$

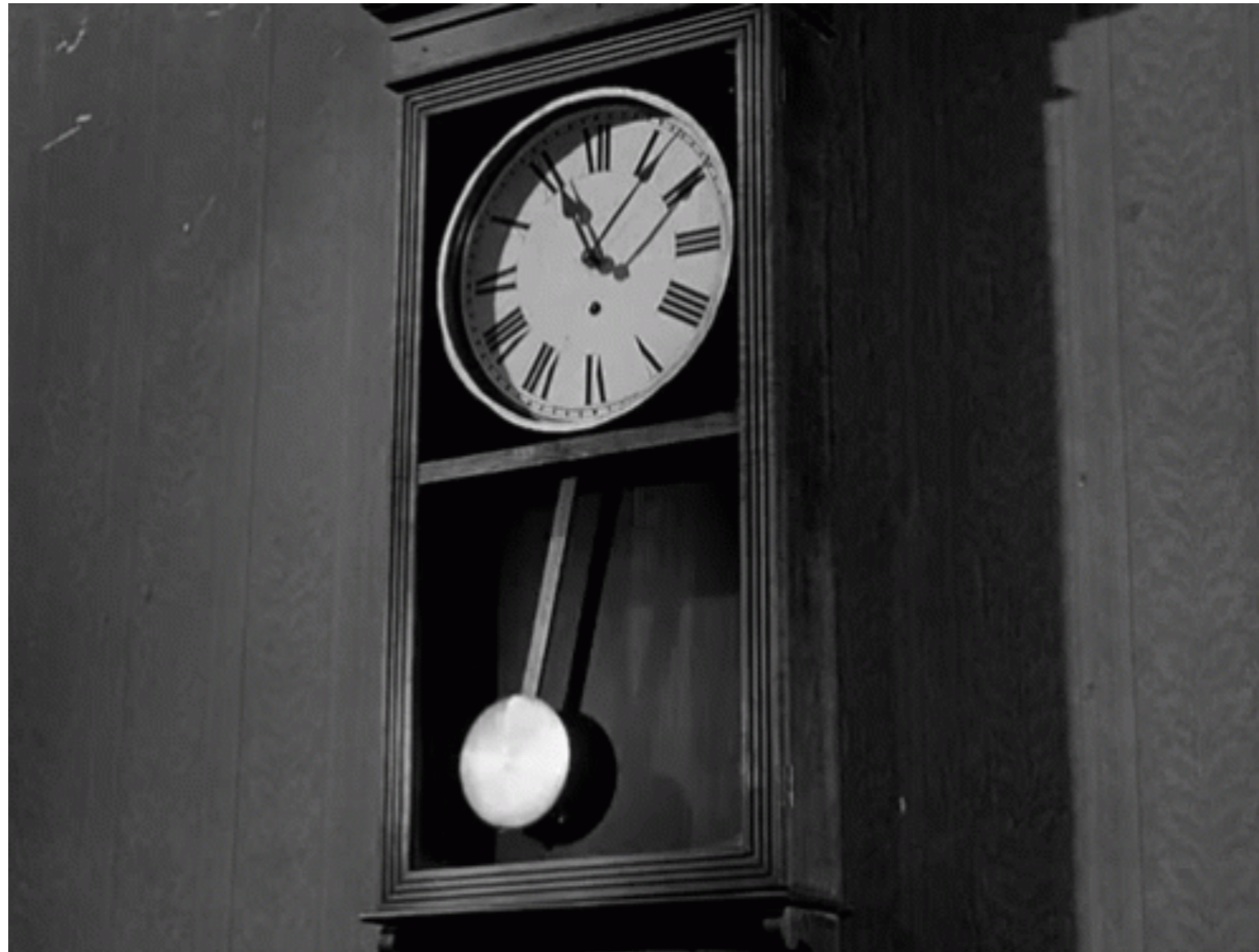
$$Q^2 \approx 0.1 - 1 \text{ GeV}^2 \rightarrow A_{PV} \leq 10^{-6} - 10^{-4}$$



ppm



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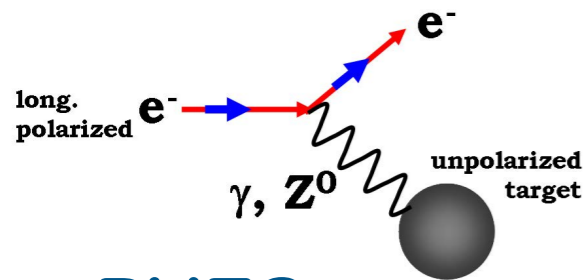


1 sec in 32 years!

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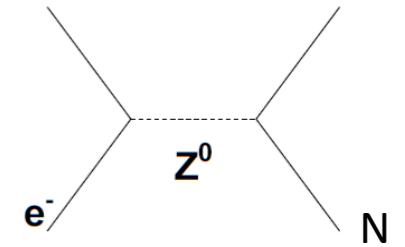
PV-Asymmetry



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$$\sigma \propto \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram with } \gamma \\ \text{diagram with } Z^0 \end{array} \right|^2$$

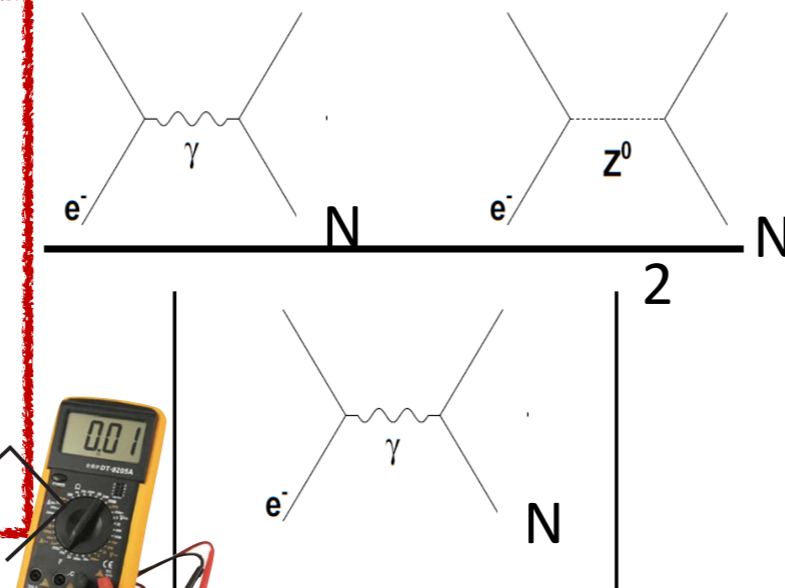
...to measure ...



....construct

$$A_{PV} = \frac{\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_+ - \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_-}{\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_+ + \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_-}$$

Detector



$$= \frac{G_F Q^2}{4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{Q_W}{A} \cdot \frac{F_W(Q^2)}{F_{ch}(Q^2)}$$

$$F_W(Q^2) = \int d^3r \frac{\sin(Qr)}{Qr} \rho_W(r)$$

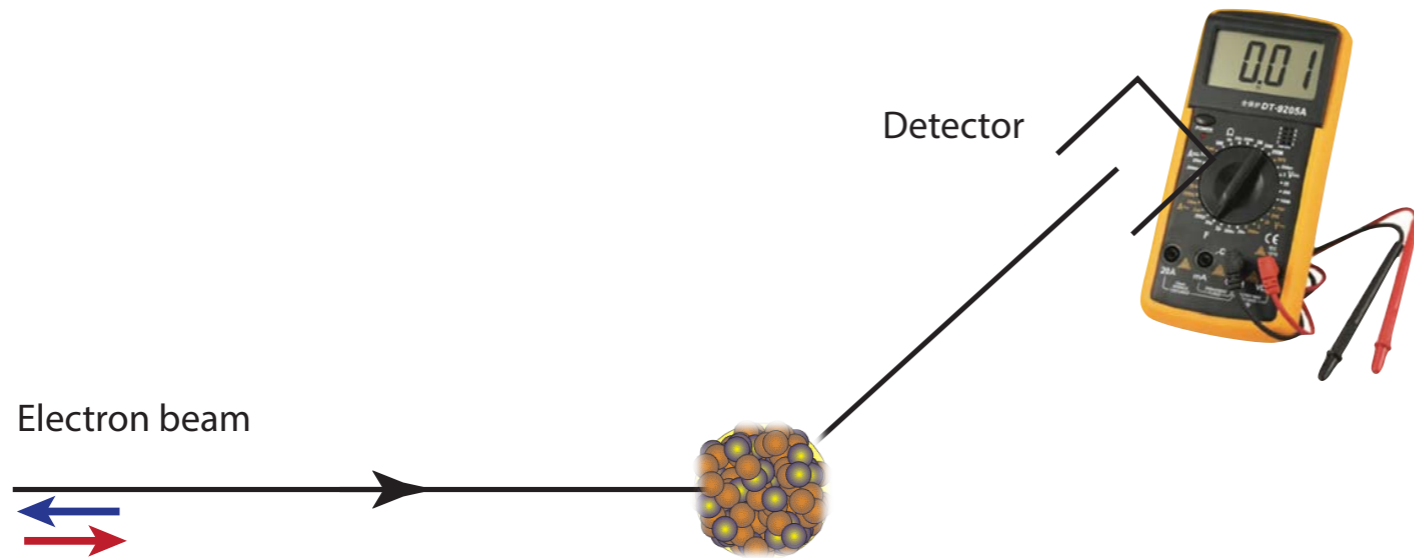
Electron beam



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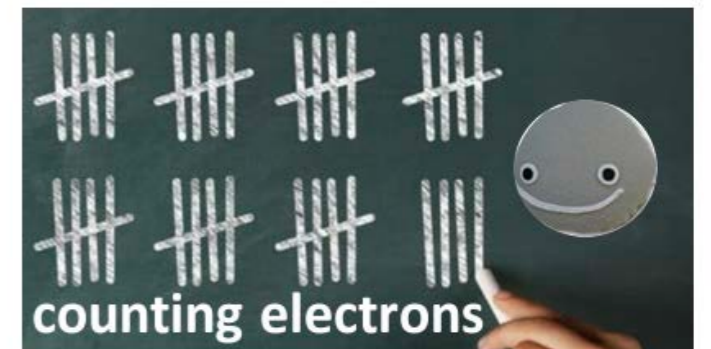
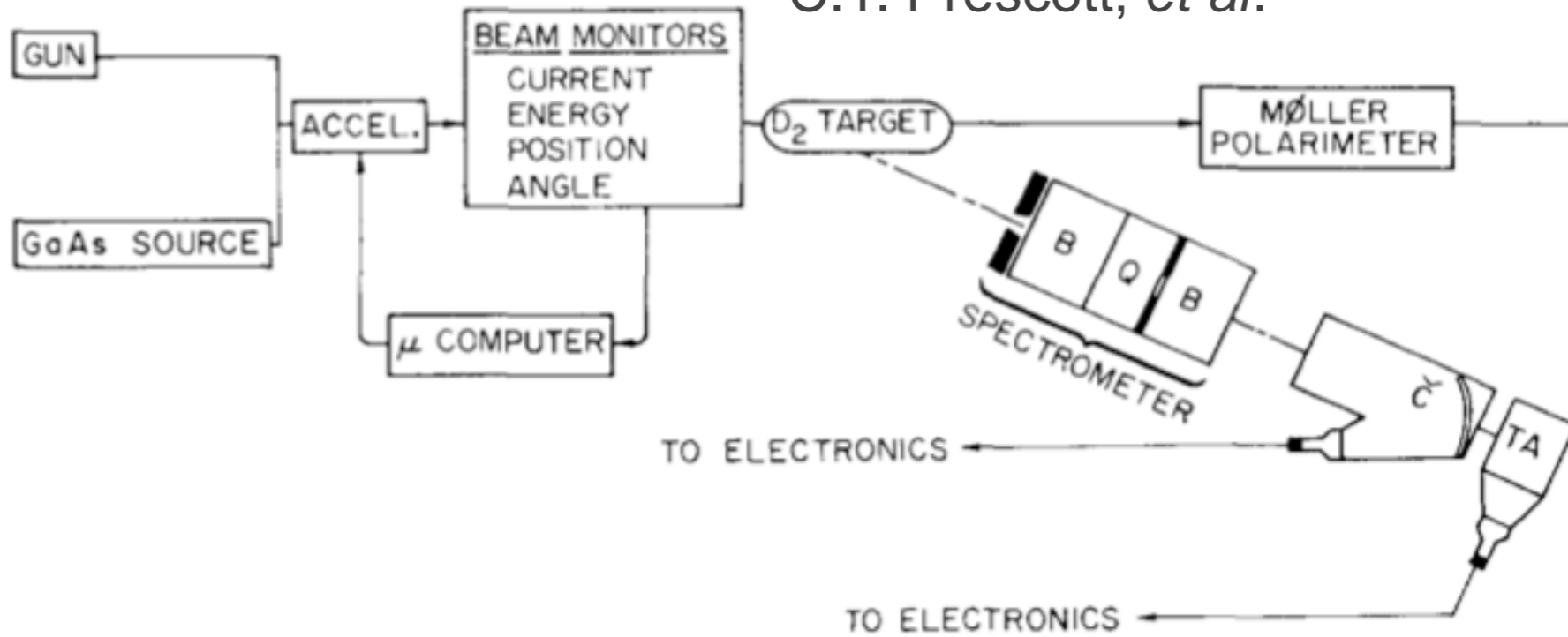


..so where is hell?



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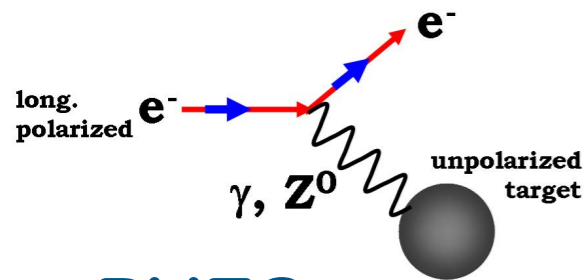
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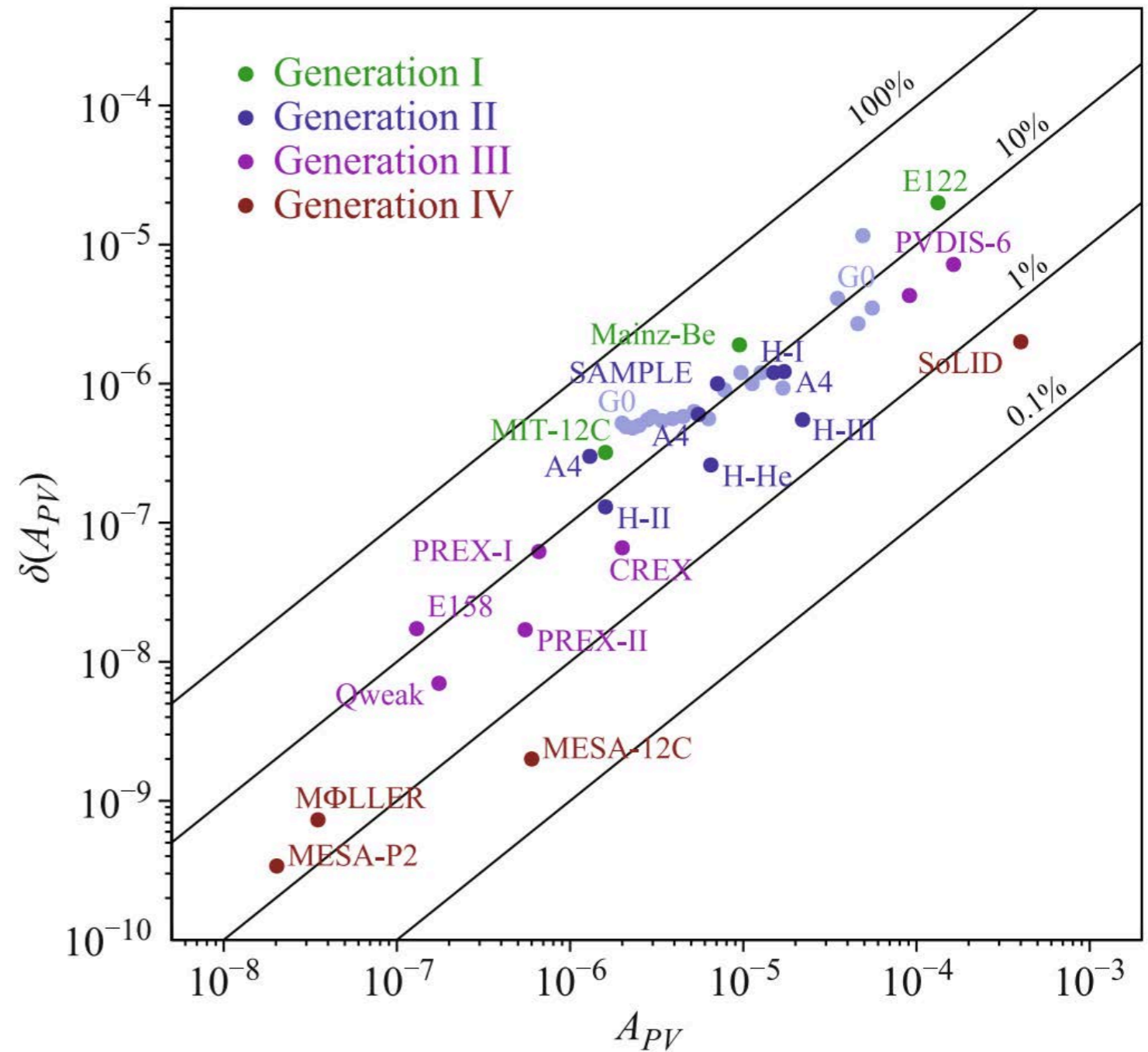
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Detector



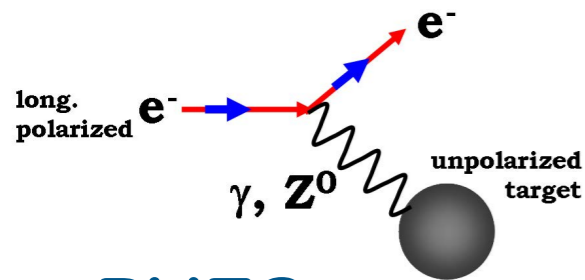
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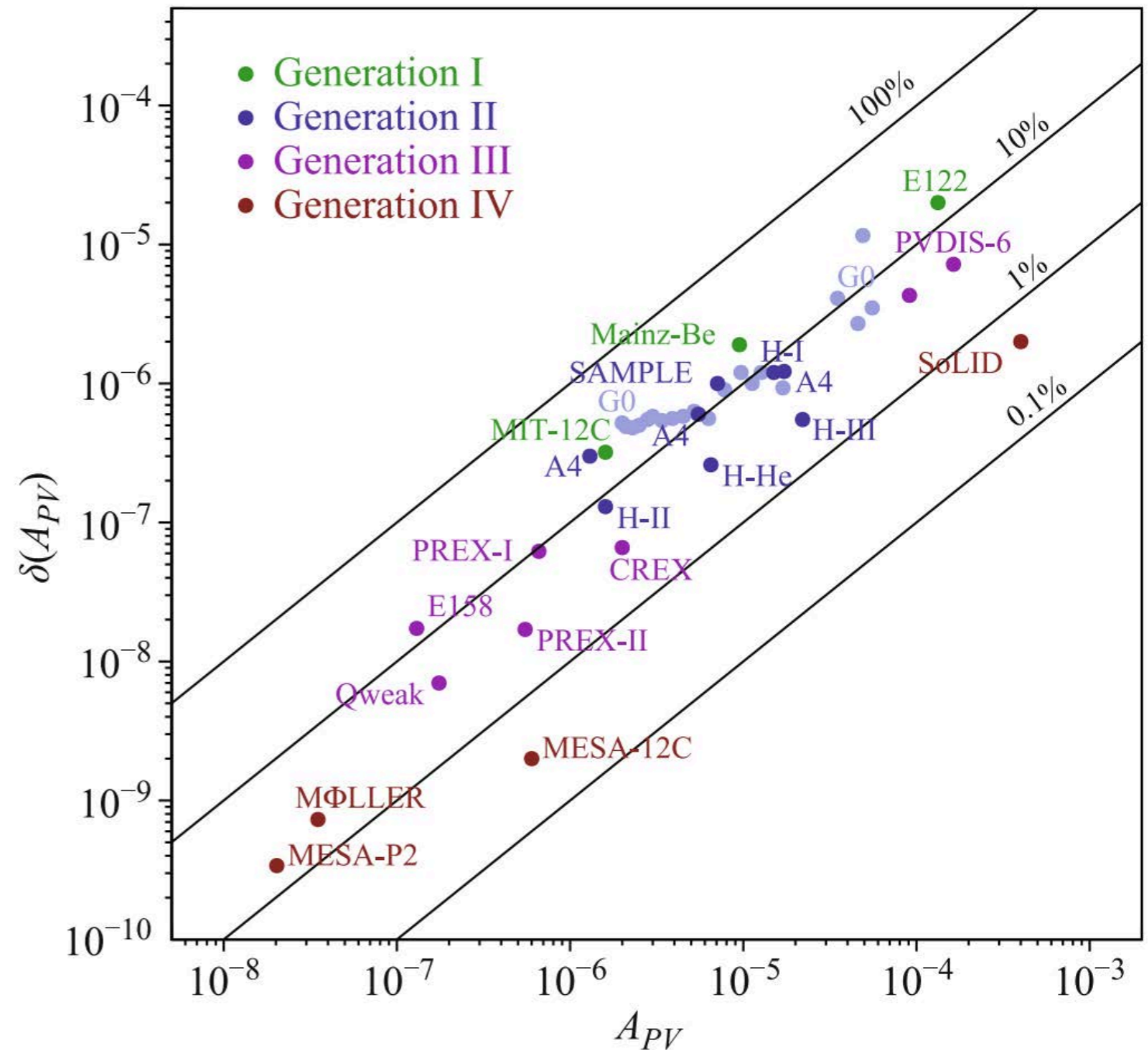
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- Essentially means 1.5% on A_{PV}
- A_{PV} is 40 parts per billion
- $\delta(A_{PV})$ is 0.6 parts per billion

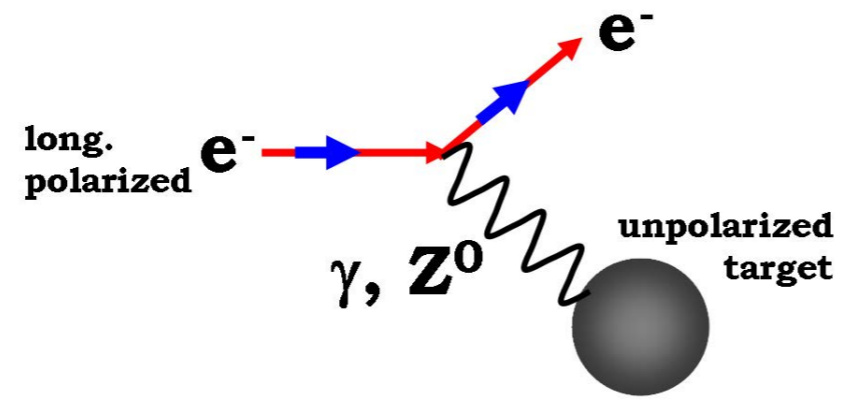
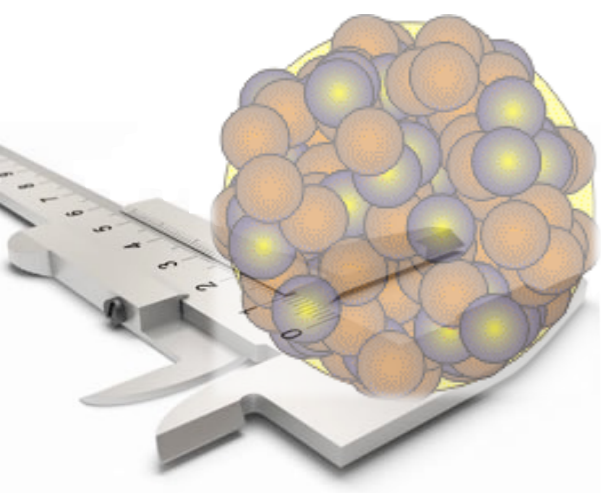
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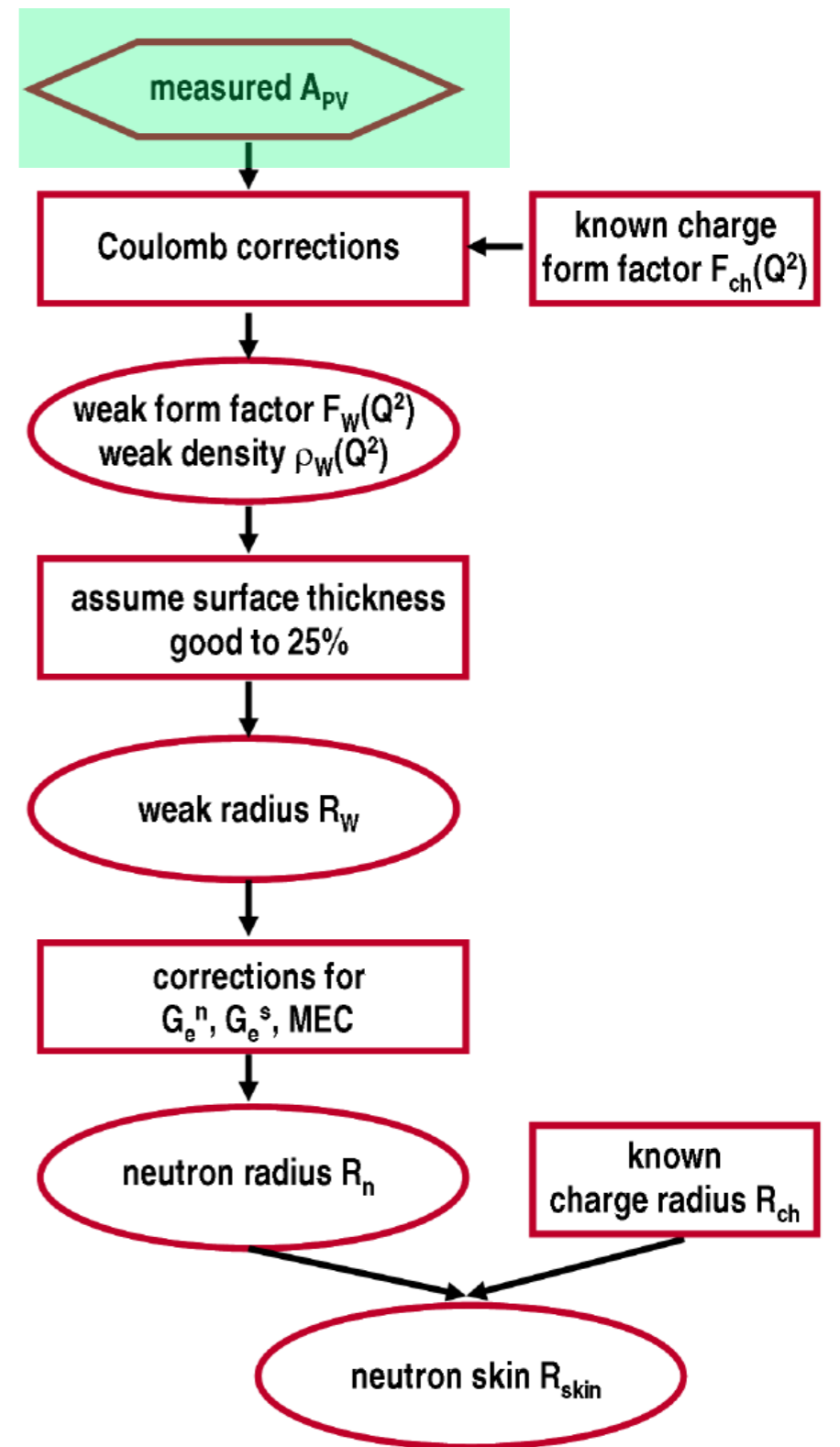
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 ... close to 10^{11} electrons/s

...but statistics is not everything! 🤯



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Blinding factors



Raw Asymmetries
(A_{meas})



Have you blinded your analyst?

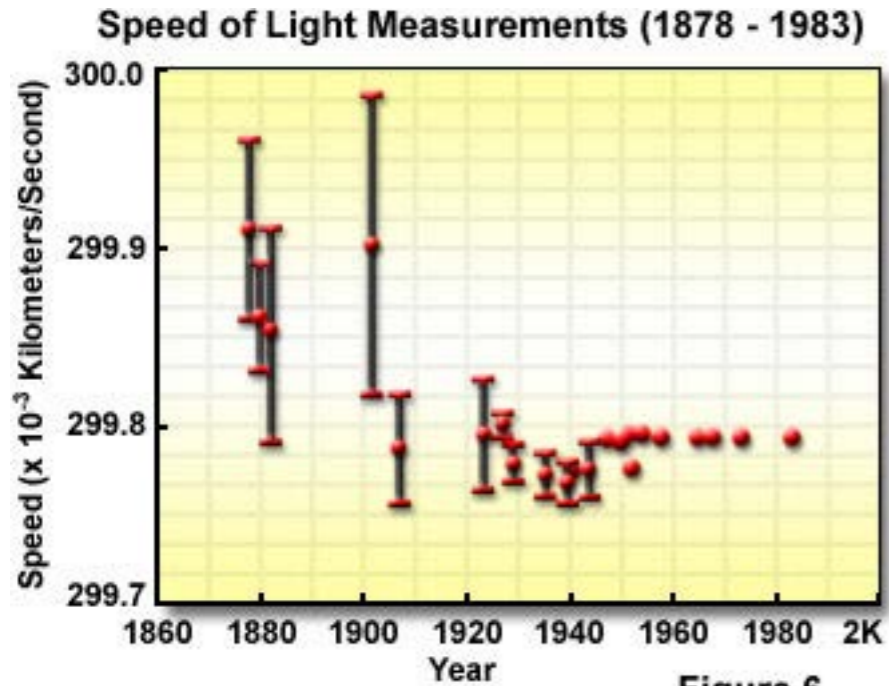
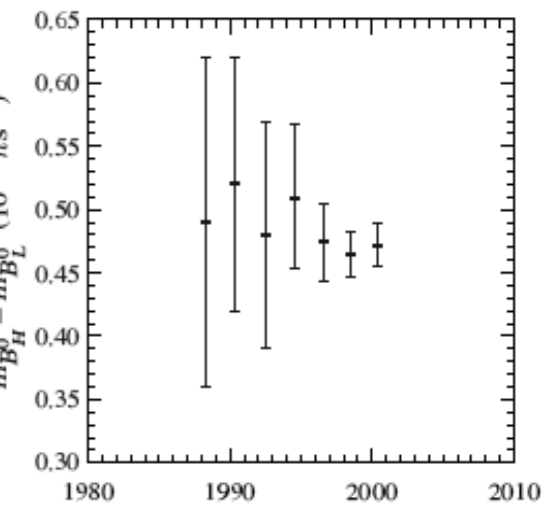
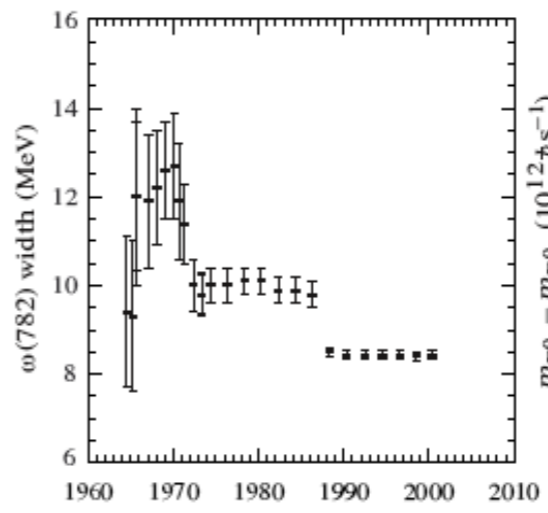
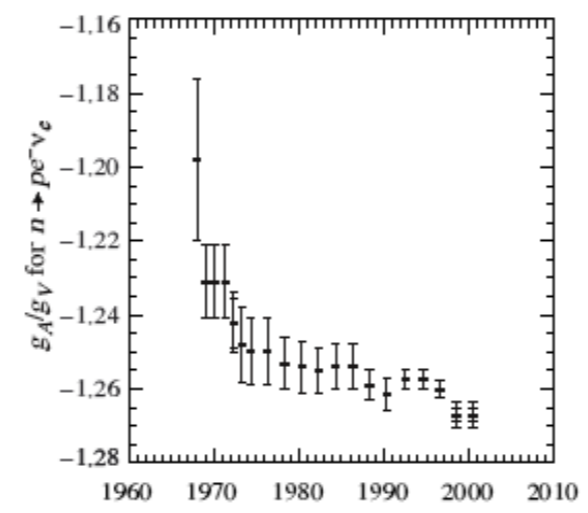
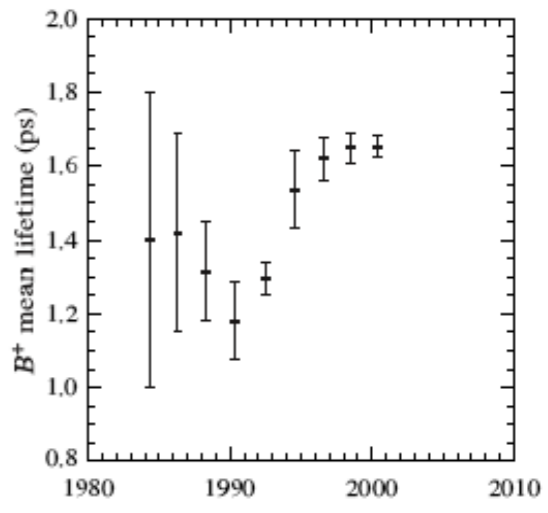
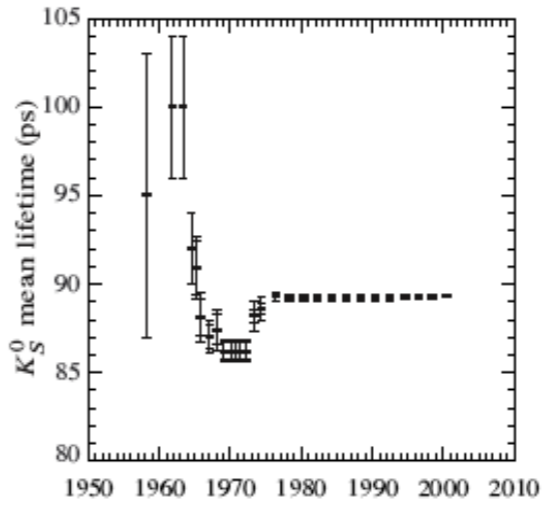
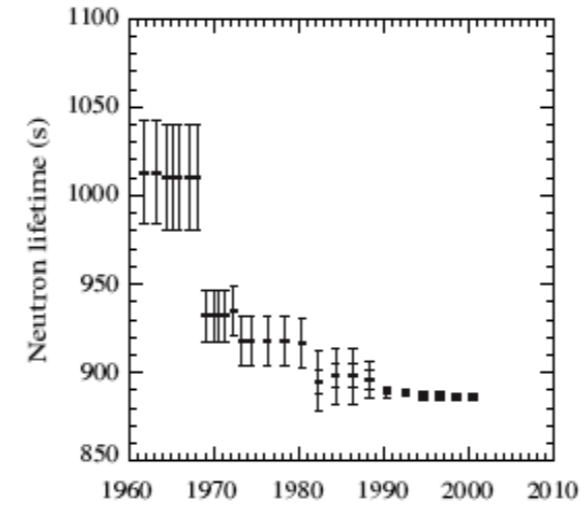


Figure 6



Just a coincidence that there are several measurements in a row that have close to the same central values? Even with such large uncertainties?

Credit: D. Armstrong

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Armstrongs' criterion: when to blind



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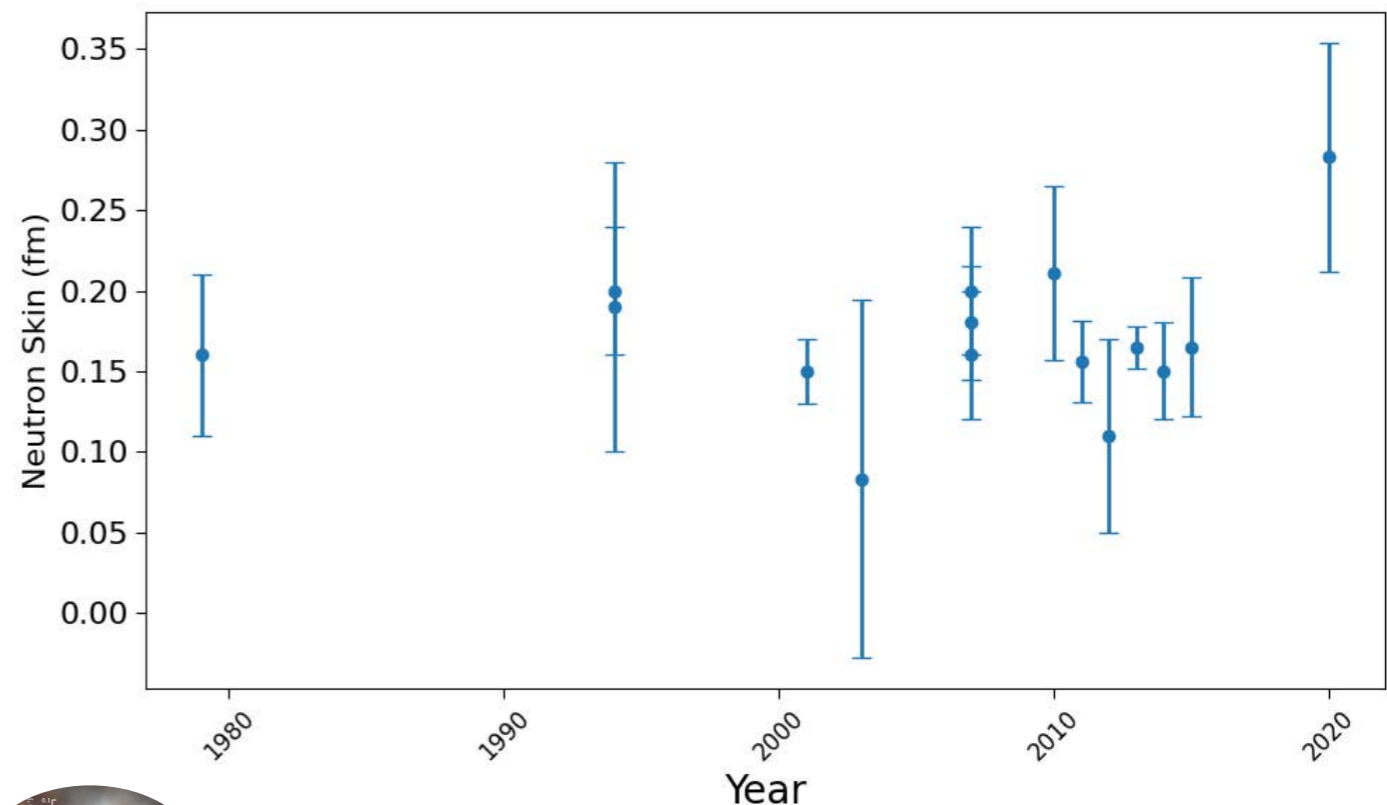
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F. Sammaruca Symmetry 2024, 16(1), 34

Type of Measurement	Extracted Neutron Skin in ^{208}Pb
Proton-nucleus scattering [4]	$0.083 - 0.111$
Proton-nucleus scattering [5]	$0.211^{+0.054}_{-0.063}$
Proton-nucleus scattering [6]	0.20 ± 0.04
Proton-nucleus scattering [7]	
Polarized proton-nucleus scattering [8]	0.16 ± 0.05
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Pionic probes [10]	0.11 ± 0.06
Pionic probes [11]	
Coherent π photoproduction [12]	$0.15 \pm 0.03^{+0.01}_{-0.03}$
Coherent π photoproduction [13]	$0.20^{+0.01}_{-0.03}$
Antiprotonic atoms [14]	$0.20 (\pm 0.04) (\pm 0.05)$
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Electric dipole polarizability [17]	$0.13 - 0.19$
Electric dipole polarizability [18]	$0.165 (\pm 0.09) (\pm 0.013) (\pm 0.021)$
Electric dipole polarizability	
via polarized scattering at forward angle [19]	$0.156^{+0.025}_{-0.021}$
Electric dipole polarizability [20]	
Pygmy dipole resonances [21]	0.18 ± 0.035
Interaction cross sections [22]	
(α, α') GDR 120 MeV [23]	0.19 ± 0.09
α -particle scattering [24]	



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Blinding factors



Raw Asymmetries
(A_{meas})



Typical corrections:

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- Beam polarisation
- EM radiative corrections



Unblind



Phys. Asymmetries
(A_{phys})

Q^2



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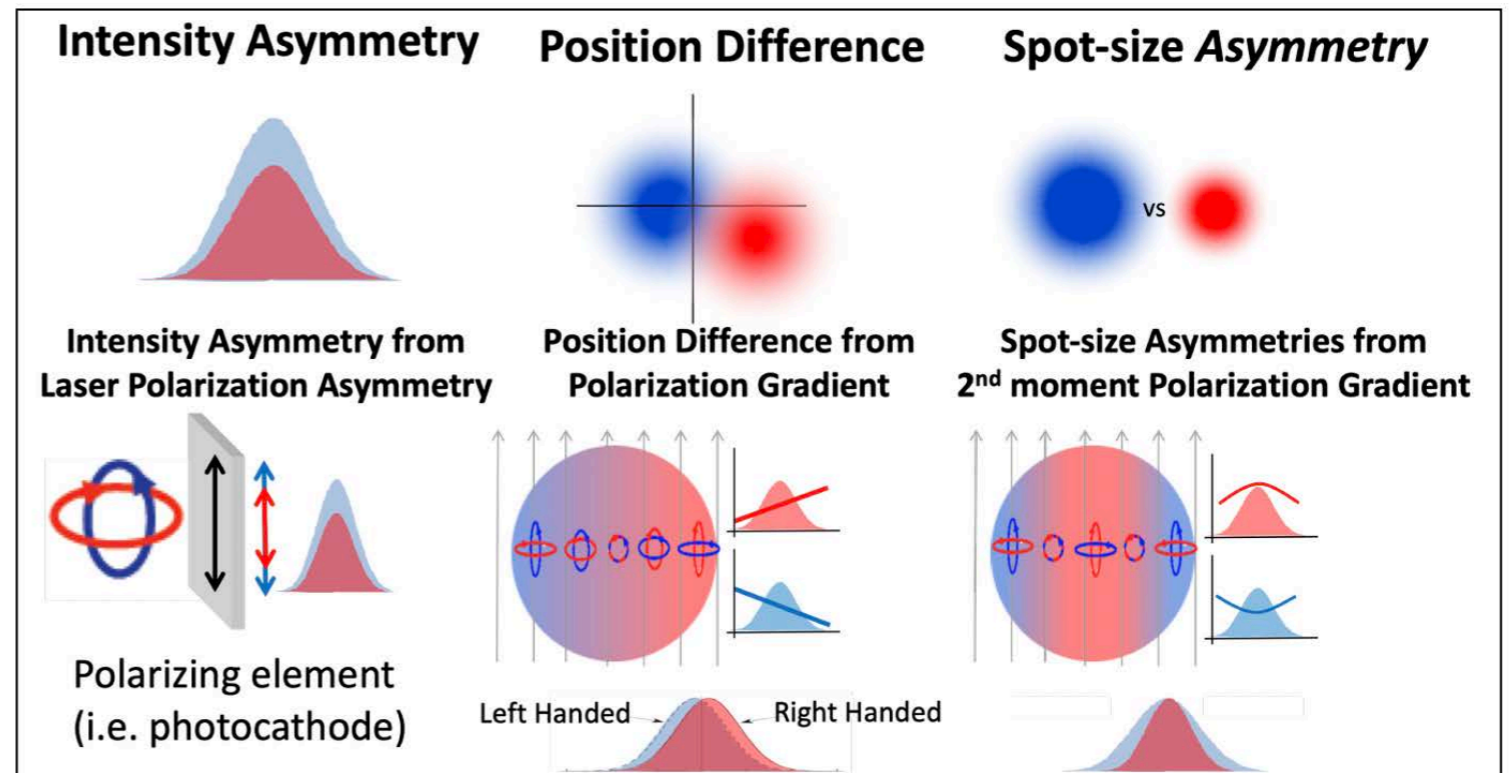
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Phys. Asymmetries
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Electron Beam Asymmetries arise from Laser Beam Asymmetries



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The art of being consistently wrong

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Transverse Polarization	0.0012	0.2
Q²	0.0028	0.4
Target Backing	0.0026	0.4
Inelastic States	0	0
TOTAL	0.0140	2.1

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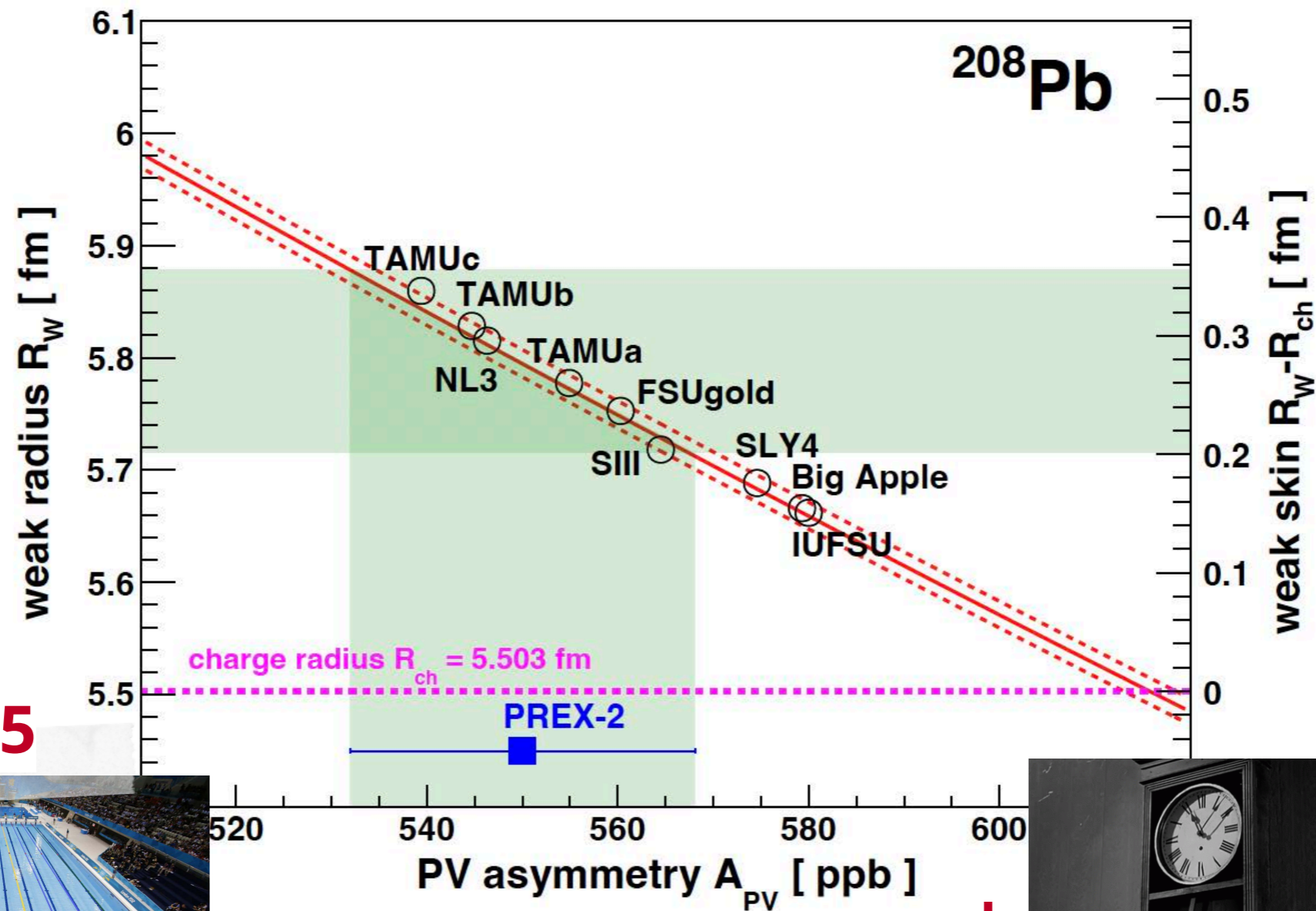
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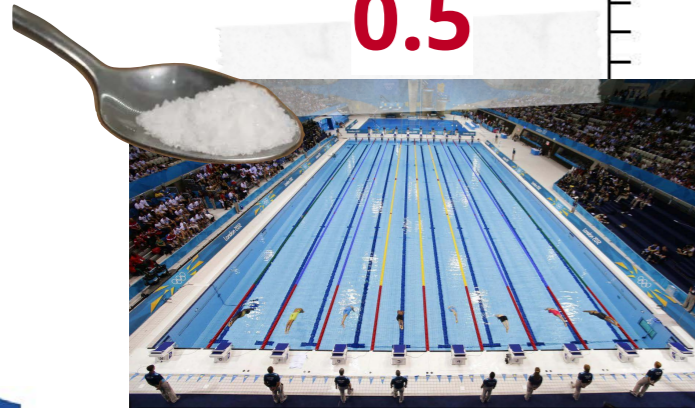
The shortest road ...

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0.5

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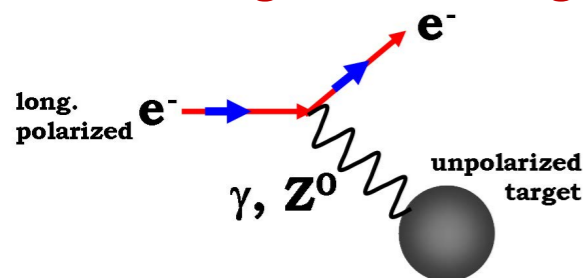


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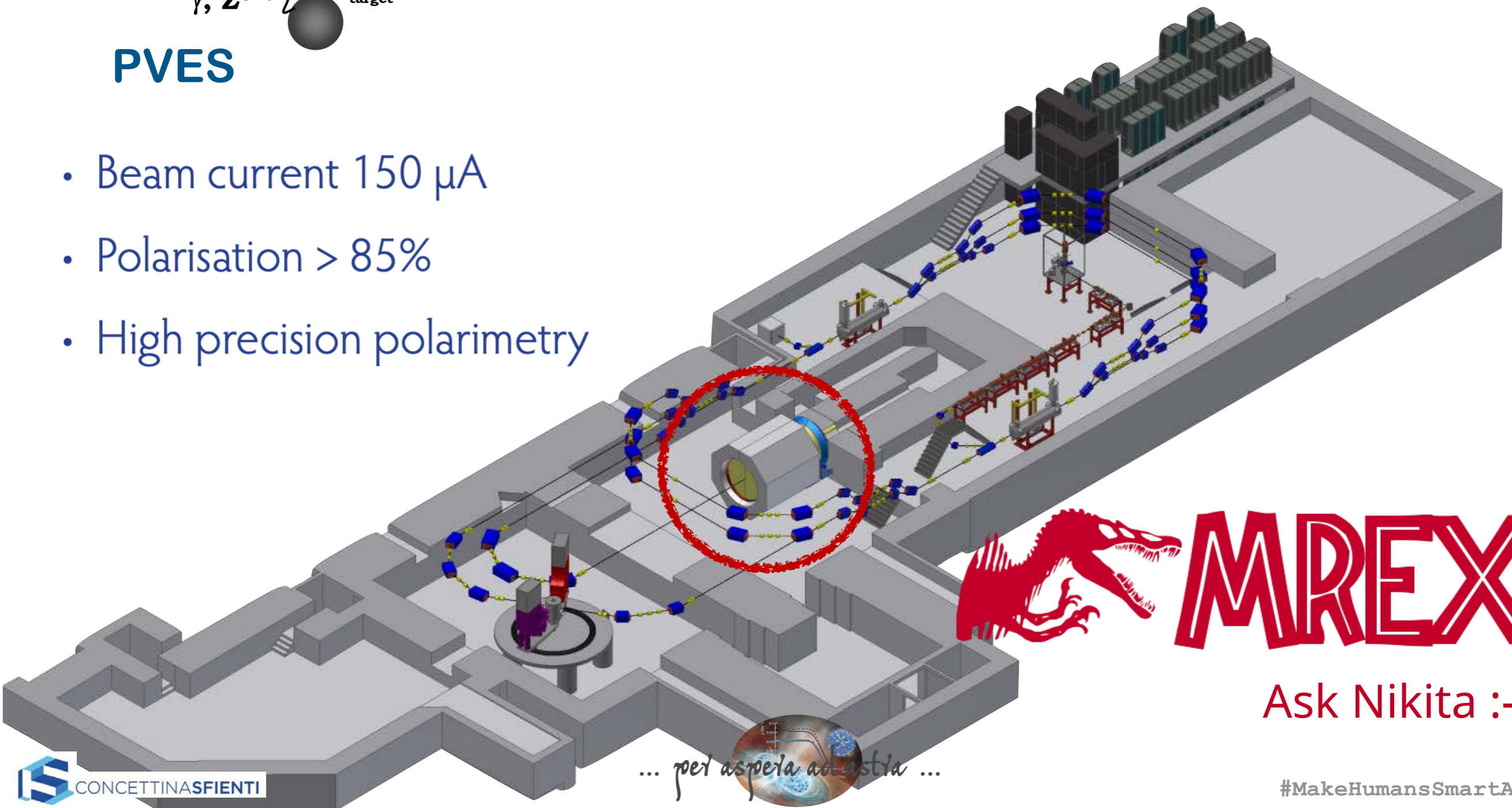
PV-Asymmetry



PVES

- Beam current 150 μA
- Polarisation > 85%
- High precision polarimetry

.... need a few $N=10^{18}$ electrons!
... close to 10^{11} electrons/s



MREX

Ask Nikita :-)

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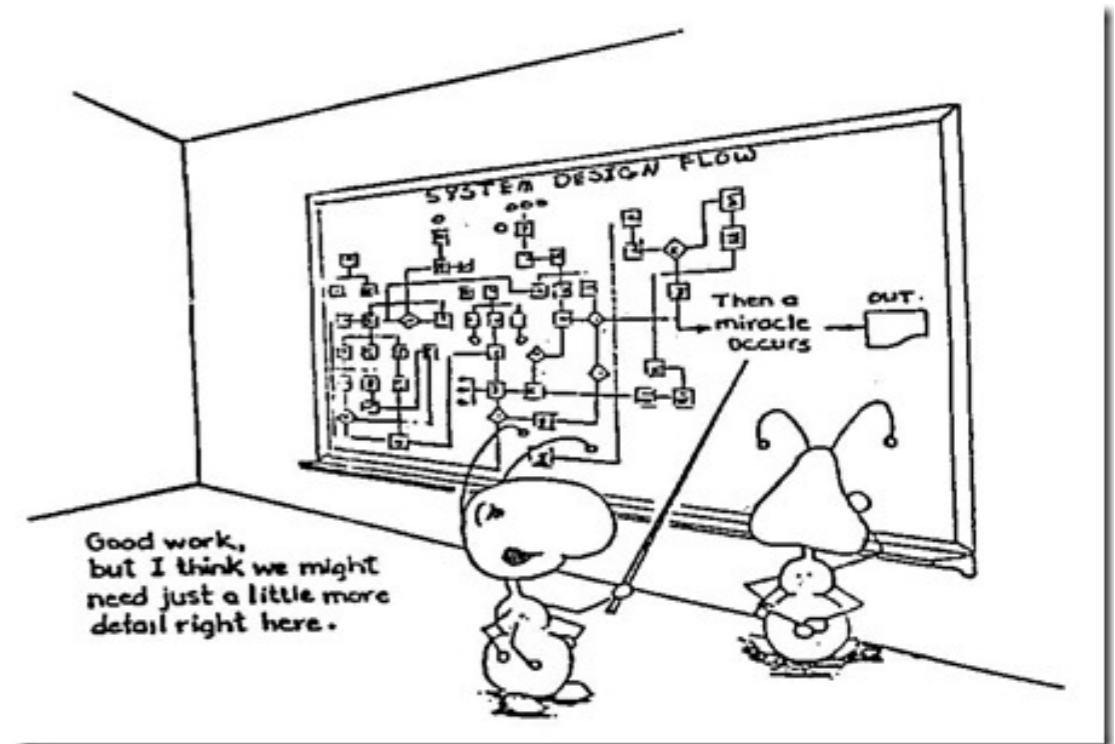
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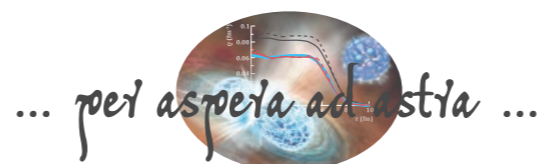
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▶ **Step 3: Quantify Uncertainties: Assign (when possible) numerical values to each source of uncertainty.**



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Discussion

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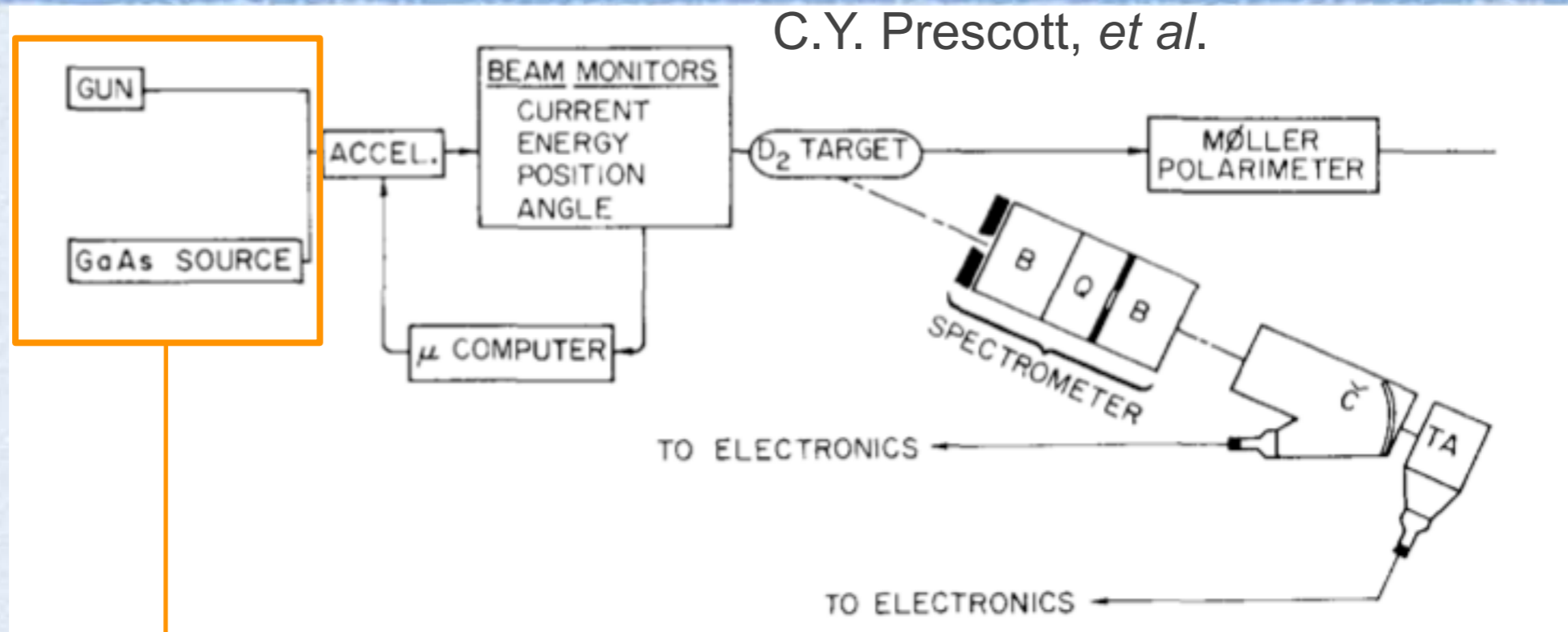


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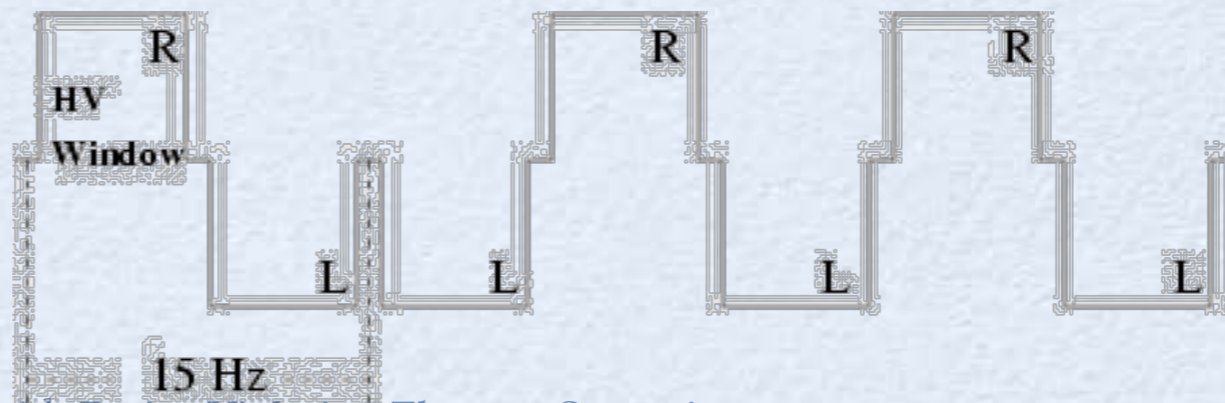
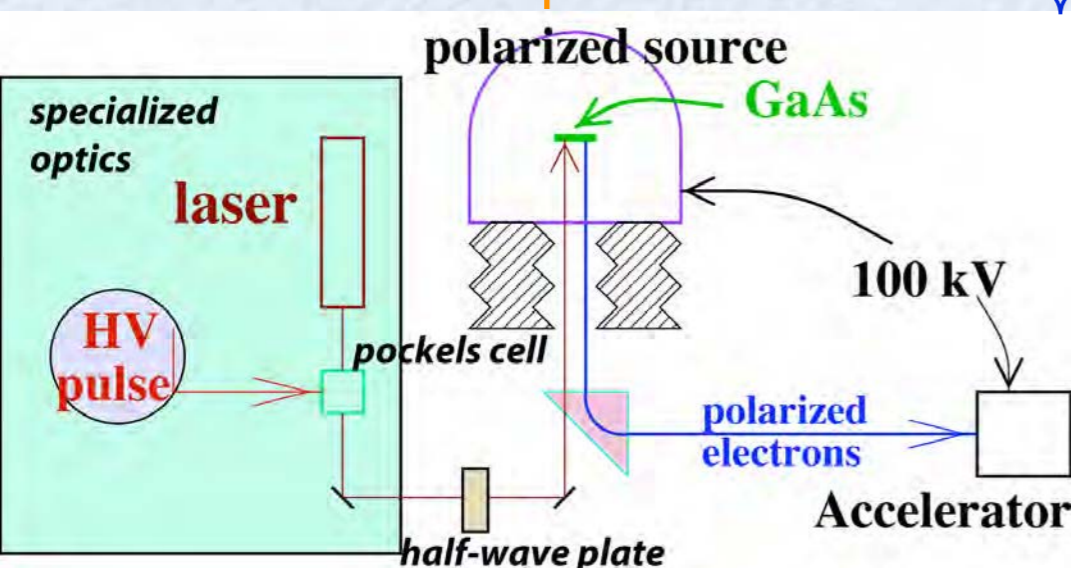
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✧ Beam helicity sequence is chosen pseudo-randomly

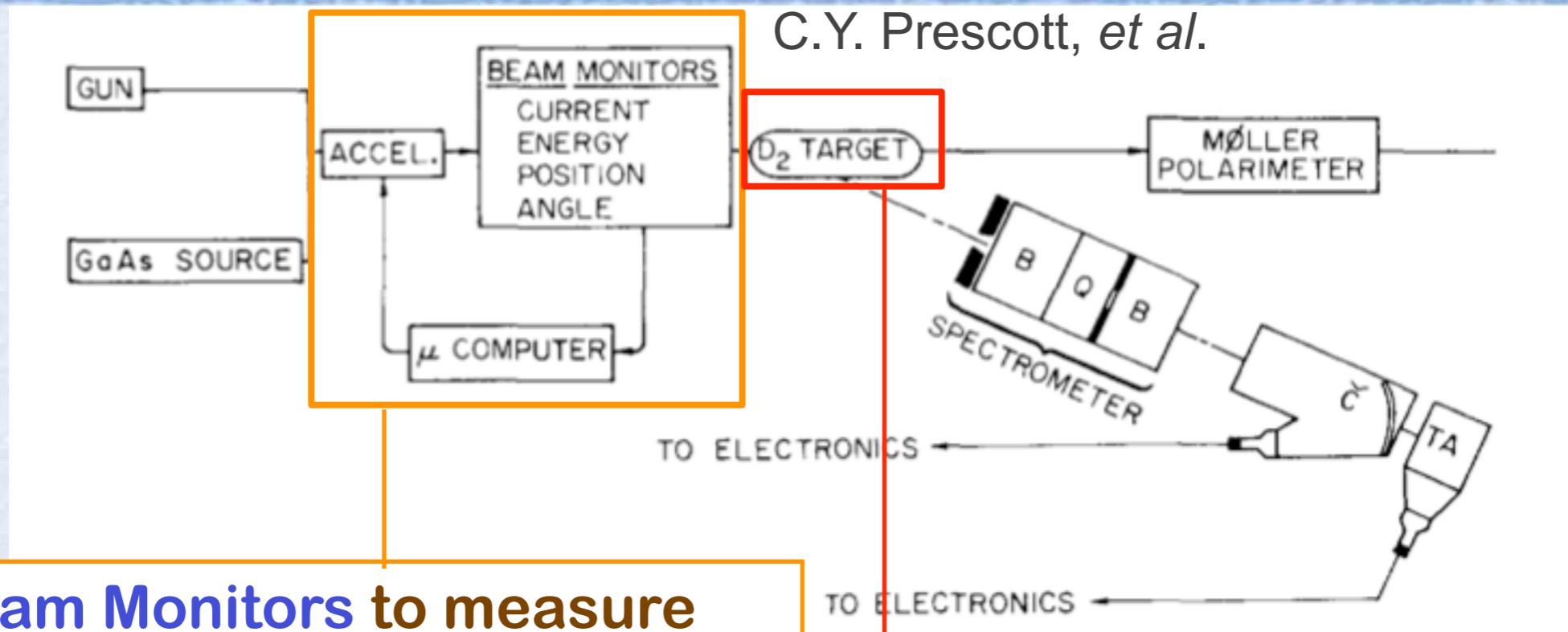
- Helicity state, followed by its complement
- Data analyzed as "pulse-pairs"



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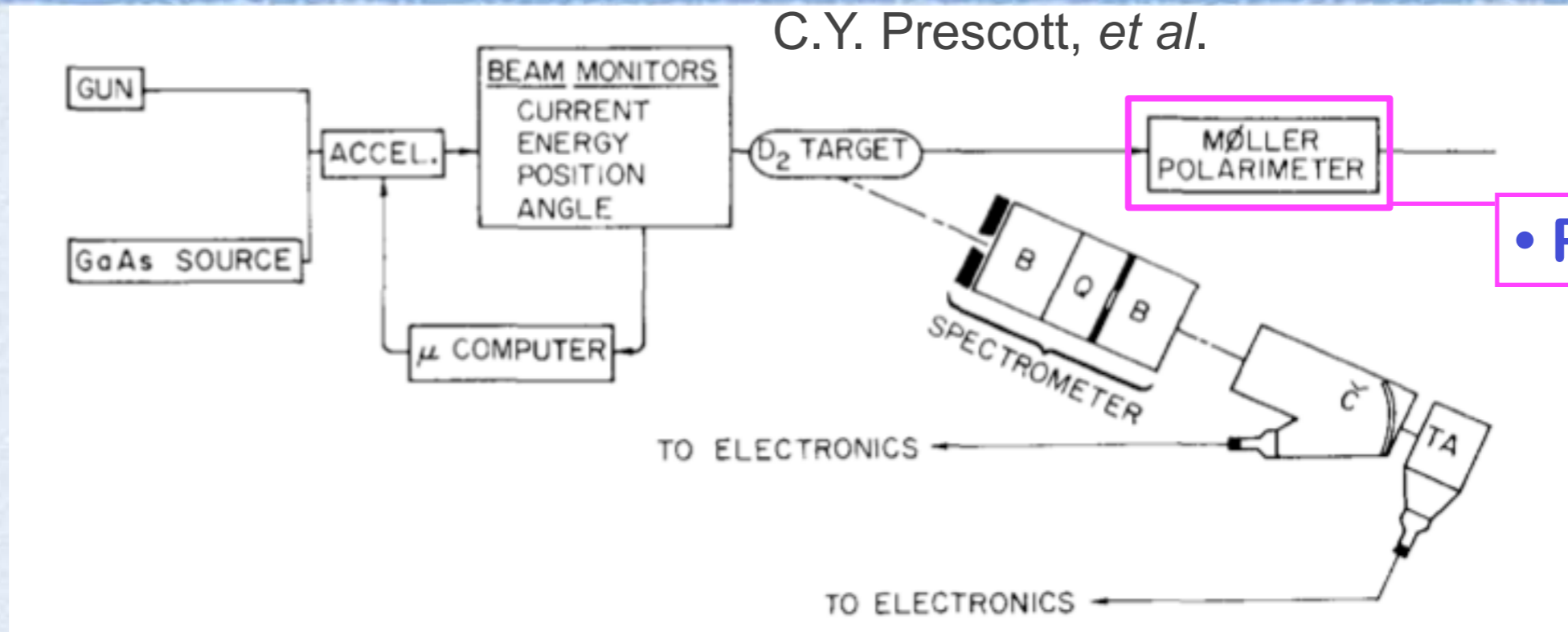
- **Beam Monitors** to measure helicity-correlated changes in beam parameters

- **High-power cryotarget** 30 cm long for high luminosity

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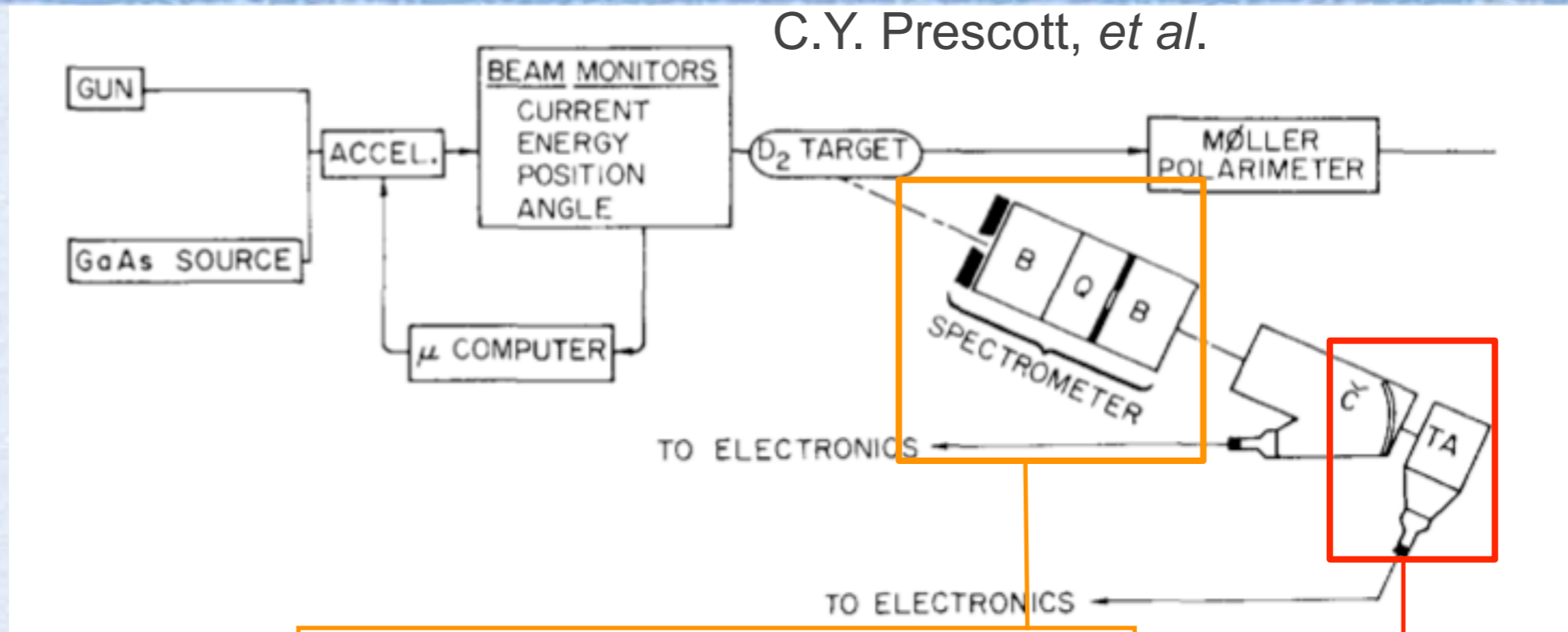


• Polarimetry

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- **Magnetic spectrometer** directs flux to background-free region

- **Flux Integration** measures high rate without deadtime

