

The Crystal Ball programme at MAMI

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Talk outline

- Outline of the real photon facility at MAMI (A2)
- Latest results from **selected** parts of the programme

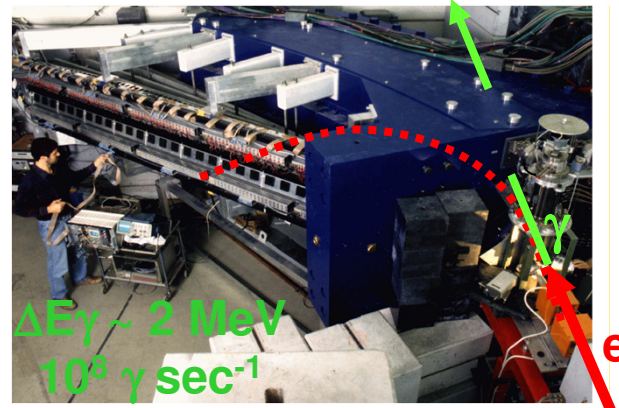
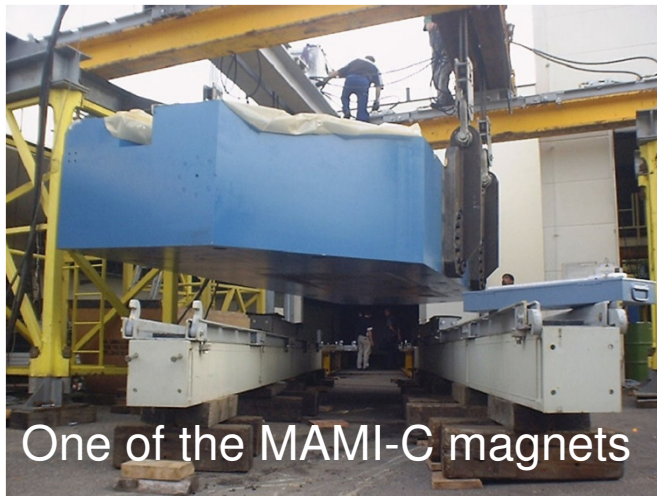
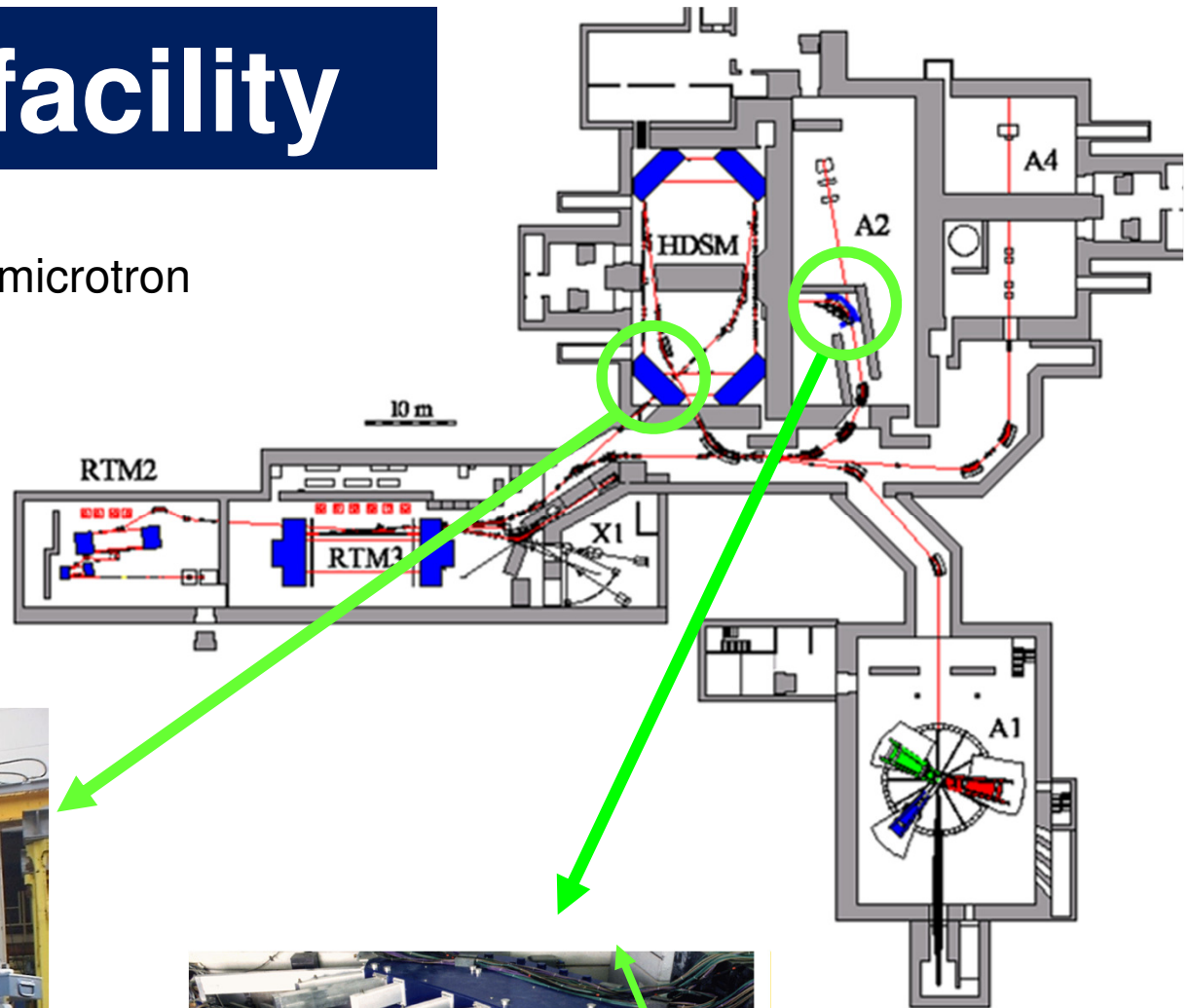
Mainz/Dubna Polarised nucleon target

Strangeness production

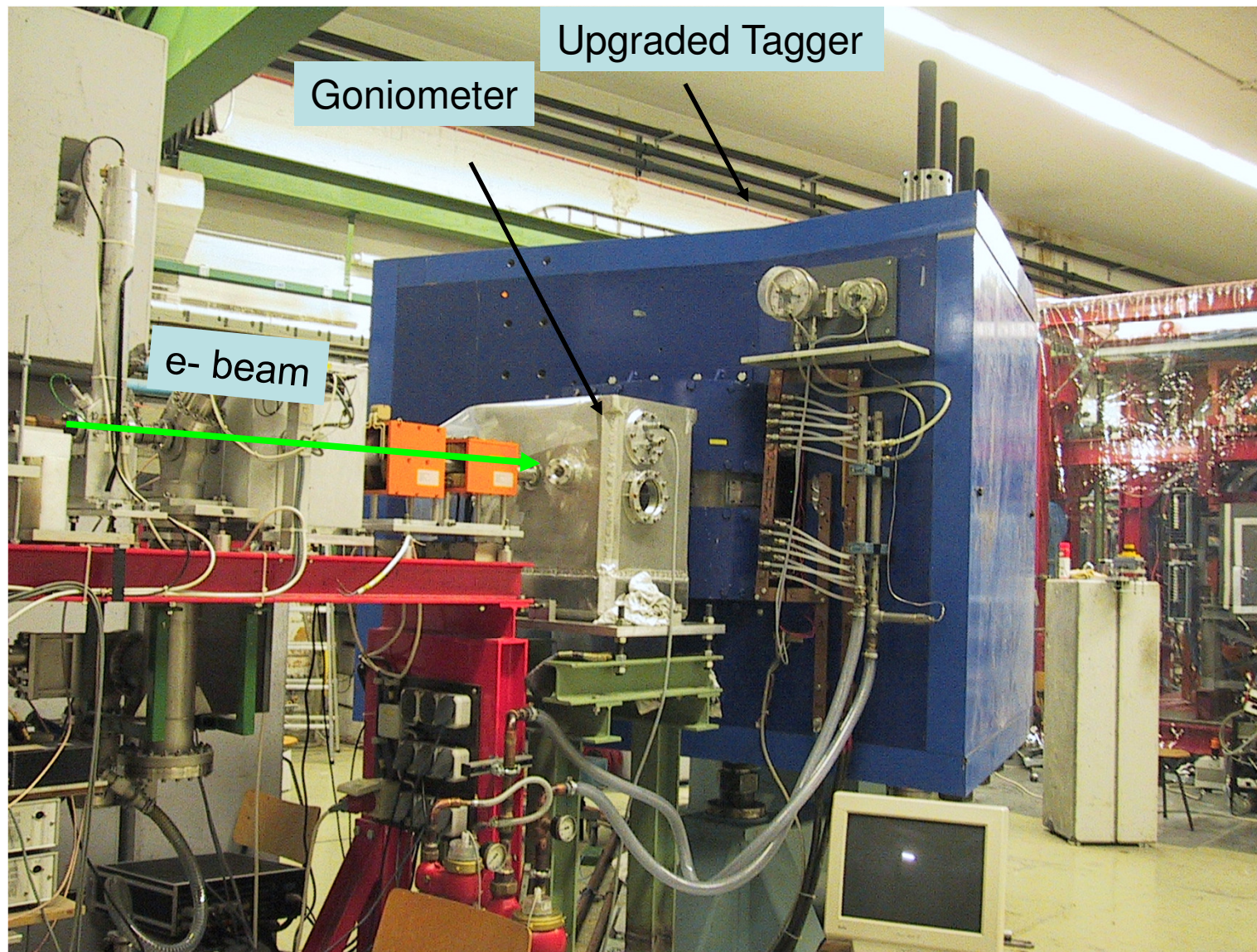
Neutron skins

The MAMI facility

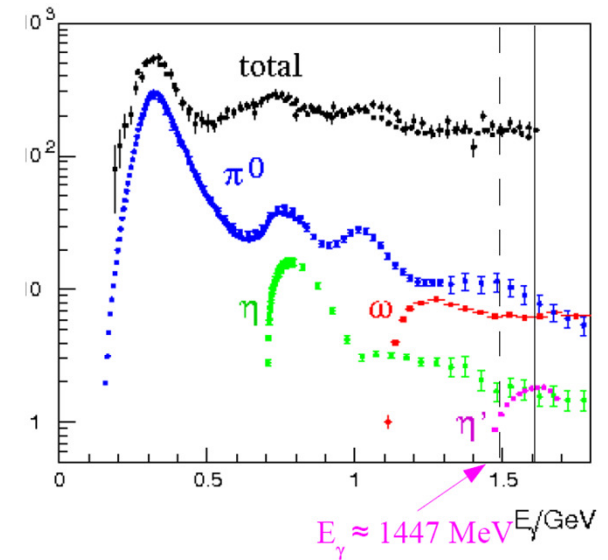
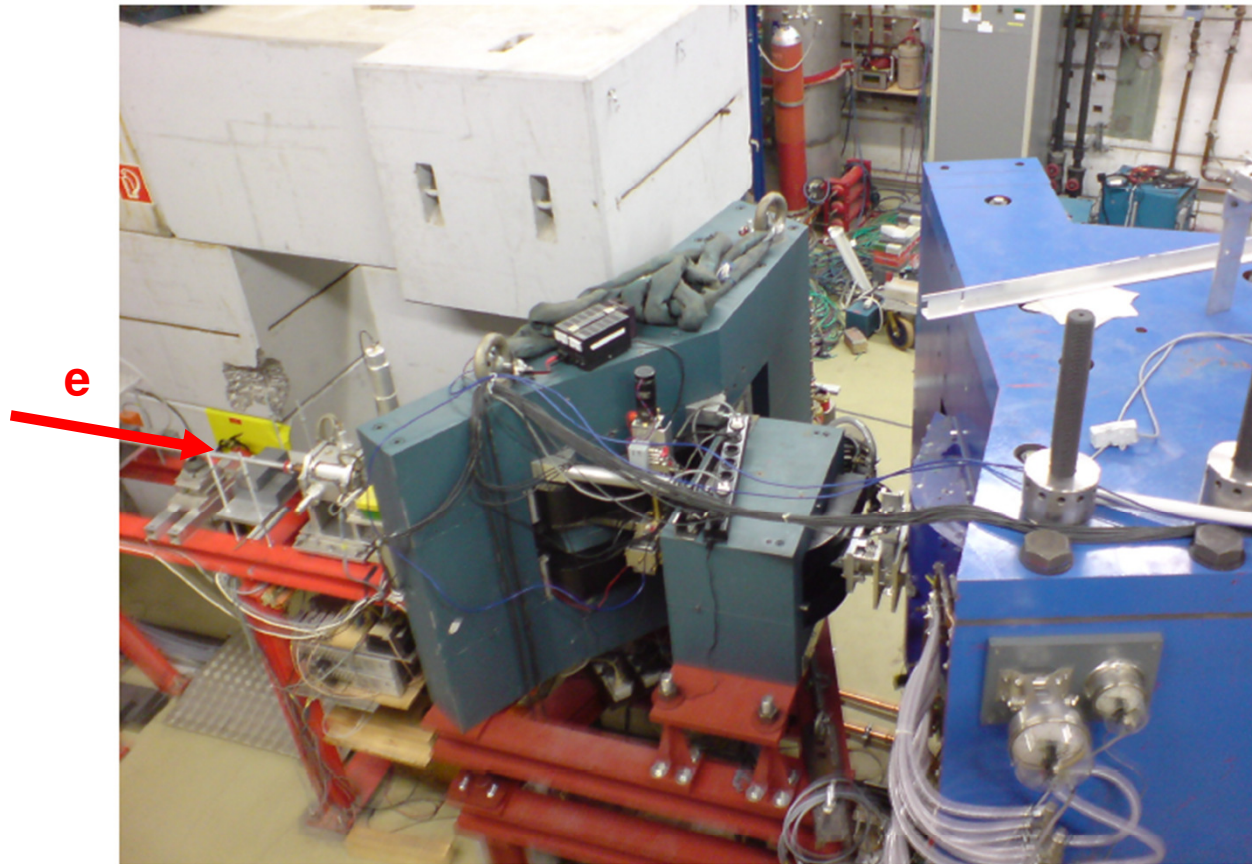
- 100% duty factor electron microtron
- MAMI-C 1.6 GeV upgrade
(MAMI-B 0.85 GeV)



Glasgow-Mainz tagger

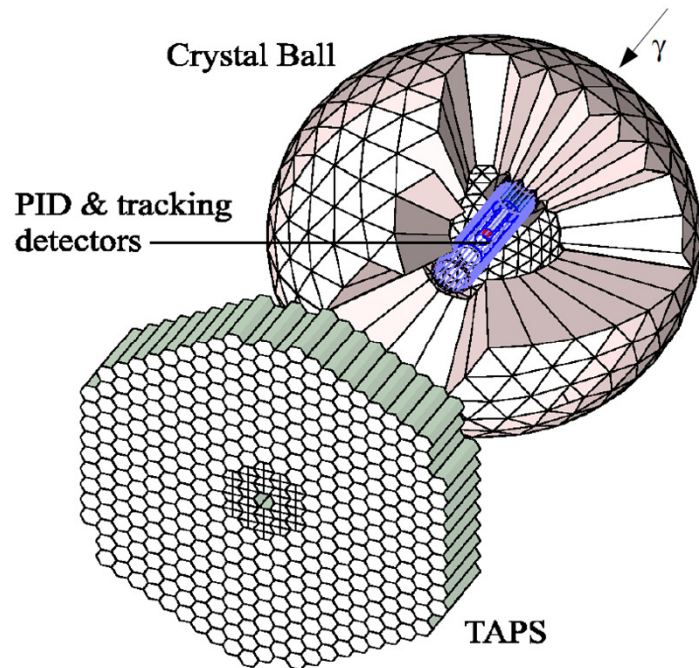
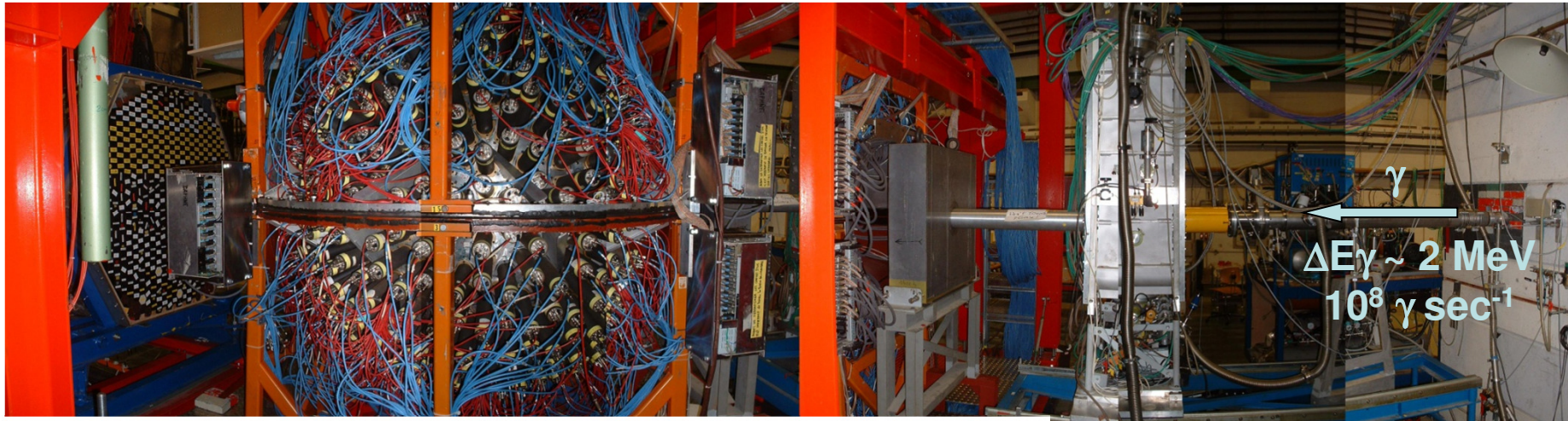


New endpoint tagger



- Standard tagger provides photons $0.05 E_e - 0.93 E_e$ (max 1.45 GeV)
- EPT provides tagged photons up to 1.59 GeV
- Commissioned March 2012

The MAMI photon beamline



Crystal Ball:

672 NaI(Tl) crystals
93,3% of total solid angle
Each crystal equipped with PMT

$$\frac{\sigma}{E_\gamma} = \frac{2\%}{(E_\gamma/\text{GeV})^{0.25}} \quad \sigma(\theta) = 2^\circ \dots 3^\circ$$

$$\Delta t = 2.5 \text{ ns FWHM} \quad \sigma(\phi) = \frac{2^\circ \dots 3^\circ}{\sin(\theta)}$$

TAPS:

Up to 510 BaF₂ crystals
Polar acceptance: 4-20°

$\Delta t = 0.5 \text{ ns FWHM}$

$$\frac{\sigma}{E_\gamma} = \frac{0,79\%}{\sqrt{E_\gamma/\text{GeV}}} + 1,8\%$$

Scope of real photon programme

M. Unverzagt

Meson physics:

Rare decays – tests of fundamental symmetries
Meson form factors

$$\eta \rightarrow ? \quad \eta' \rightarrow ?$$
$$\eta \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$$

Baryon physics:

Establishing nucleon resonance properties
Test of low energy theories e.g. ChPT
Polarisabilities of the nucleon

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \gamma N \rightarrow N \pi(m) \\ \gamma N \rightarrow \gamma' N \end{array} \right\}$$

V. Metag

Nuclear/medium:

Mass shifts/line shape changes in nuclear medium
Neutron skins of stable nuclei
Search for mesic nuclei

$$\gamma A \rightarrow A \omega$$
$$\gamma A \rightarrow A \pi$$
$$\gamma A \rightarrow A \eta$$



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2012 - Major funding announced for MAMI



*The Low Energy Frontier of the
Standard Model:
From Quarks and Gluons
To Hadrons and Nuclei*

Polarisation observables in meson photoproduction

- 16 experimental observables
- Current world data set is sparse – partial wave analyses currently underconstrained

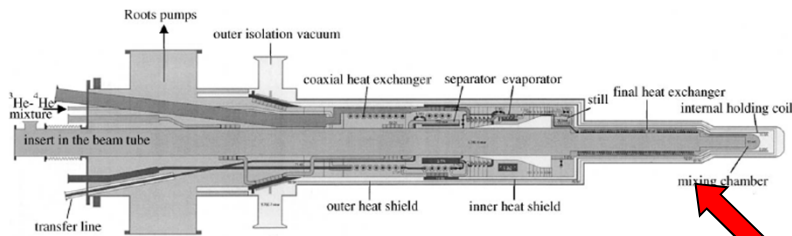
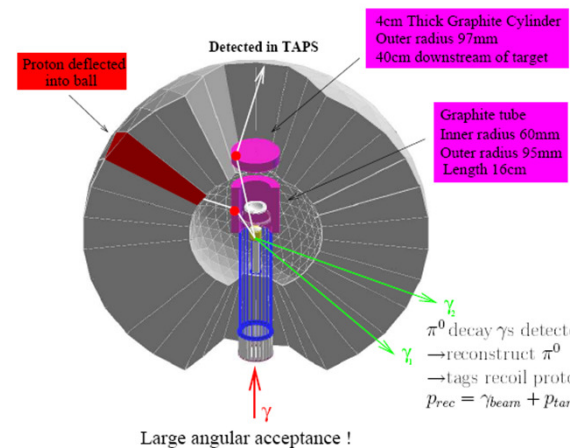
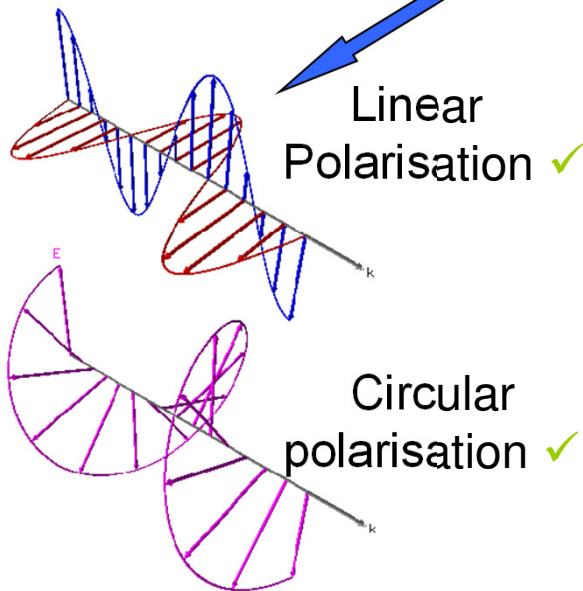
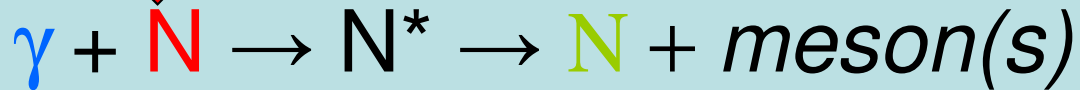


Fig. 4. Schematic diagram of the dilution refrigerator.

Longitudinally polarised nucleon target ✓
Transversely polarised ✓

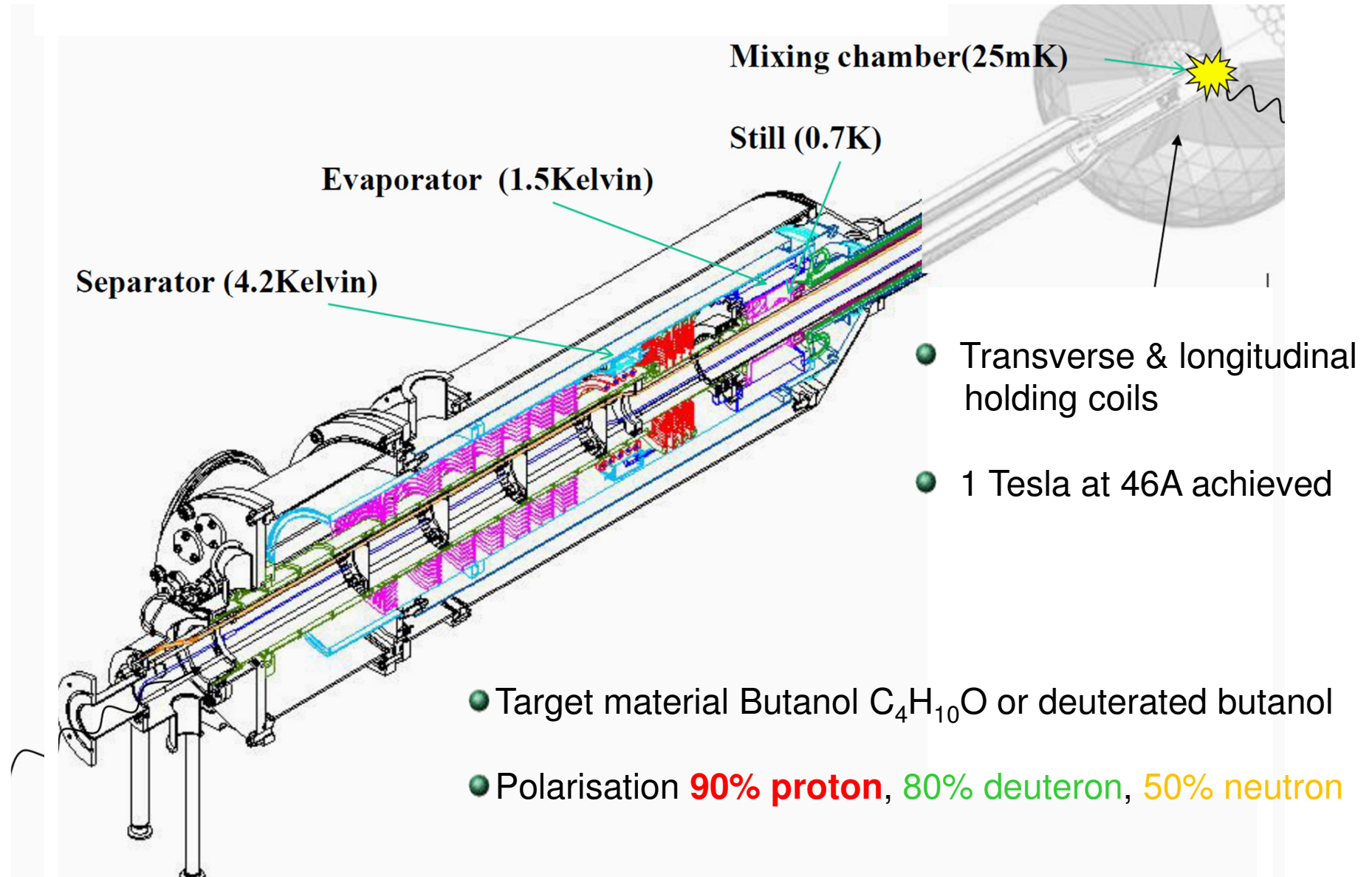


Recoil polarimeter ✓

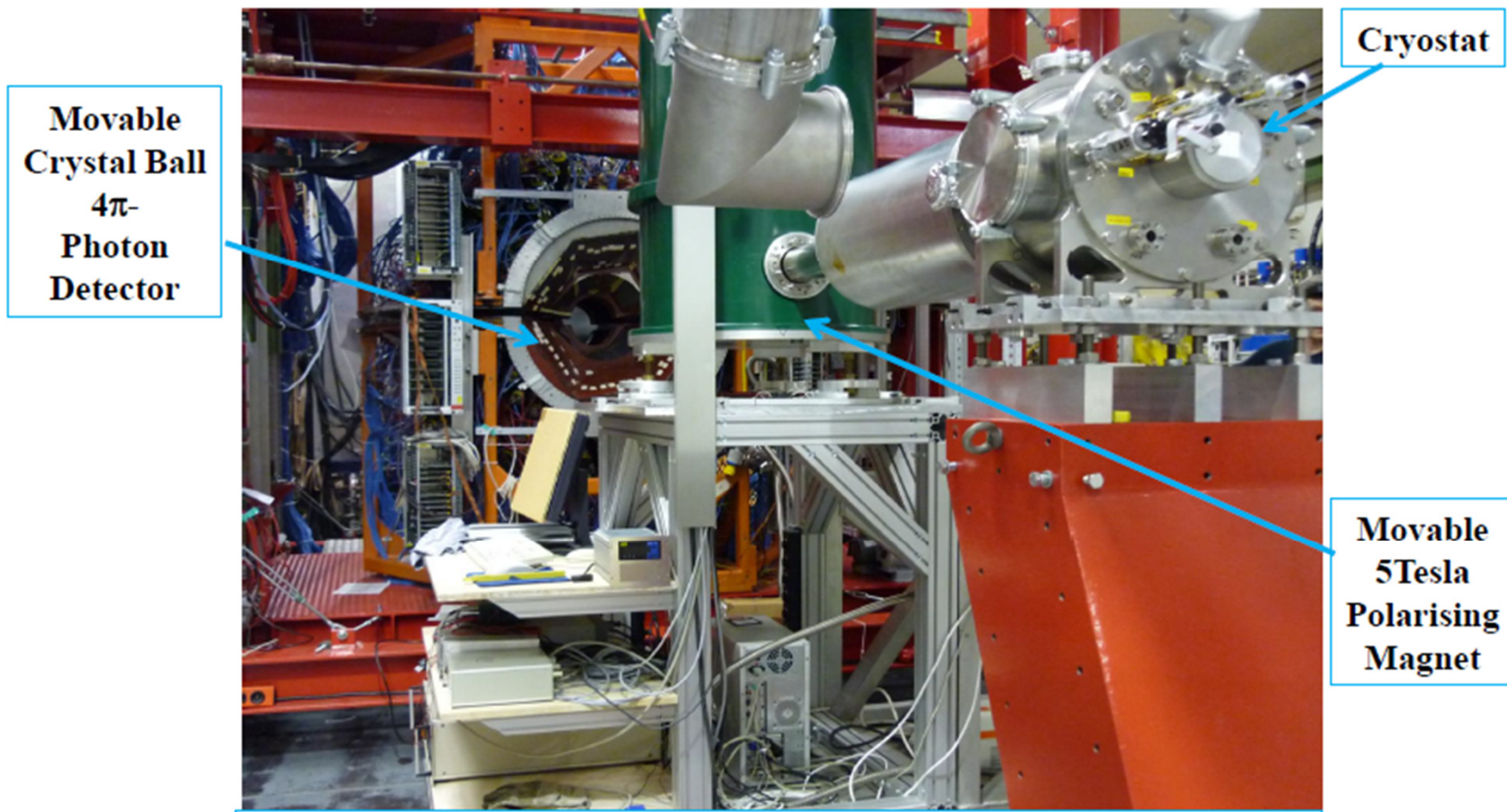
Observables in pseudo scalar meson photoproduction

Observable	γ	Polarisation of		
		target	recoil	
1. $\{d\sigma/d\Omega\}/\mathcal{N}$				$= b_1 ^2+ b_2 ^2+ b_3 ^2+ b_4 ^2$
Single polarization				
2. P				$= b_1 ^2- b_2 ^2+ b_3 ^2- b_4 ^2$
3. Σ				$= b_1 ^2+ b_2 ^2- b_3 ^2- b_4 ^2$
4. T				$= b_1 ^2- b_2 ^2- b_3 ^2+ b_4 ^2$
Double polarizaton				
Beam-target				
5. E				$=2\text{Re}(b_1b_3^*+b_2b_4^*)$
6. F				$=2\text{Im}(b_1b_3^*-b_2b_4^*)$
7. G				$=2\text{Im}(b_1b_3^*+b_2b_4^*)$
8. H				$=-2\text{Re}(b_1b_3^*+b_2b_4^*)$
Beam-recoil				
9. C_x				$=-2\text{Im}(b_1b_4^*-b_2b_3^*)$
10. C_y				$=2\text{Re}(b_1b_4^*+b_2b_3^*)$
11. O_x				$=2\text{Re}(b_1b_4^*-b_2b_3^*)$
12. O_z				$=2\text{Im}(b_1b_4^*+b_2b_3^*)$
Target-recoil				
13. T_x				$=2\text{Re}(b_1b_2^*-b_3b_4^*)$
14. T_z				$=2\text{Im}(b_1b_2^*-b_3b_4^*)$
15. L_x				$=-2\text{Im}(b_1b_2^*+b_3b_4^*)$
16. L_z				$=2\text{Re}(b_1b_2^*+b_3b_4^*)$

The Mainz/Dubna frozen spin target

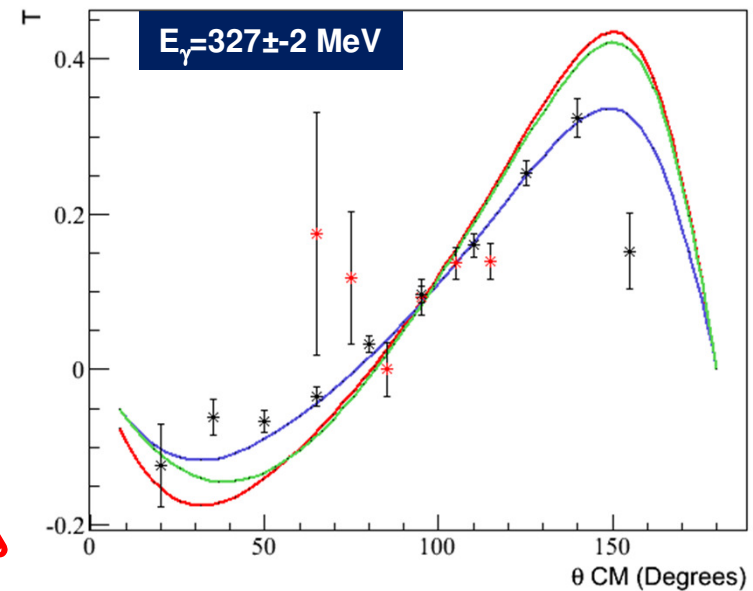
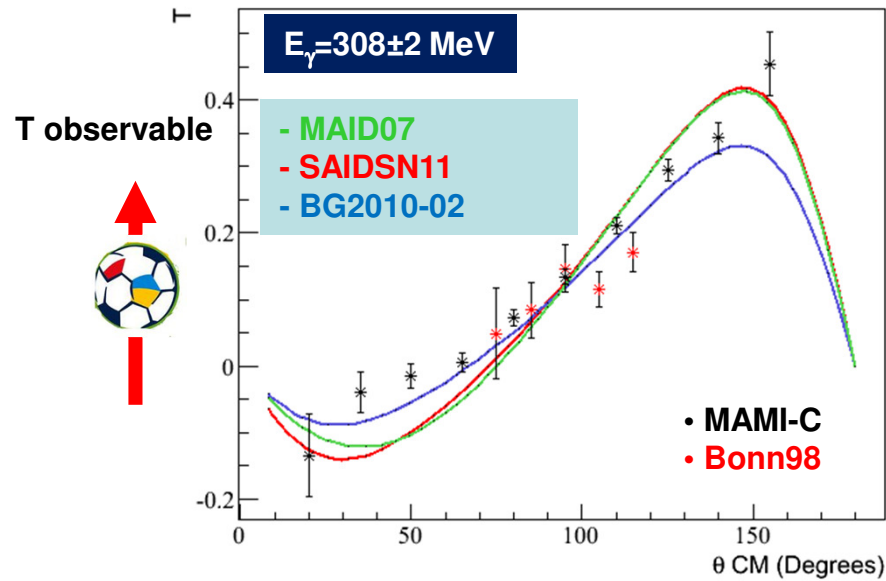


Mainz/Dubna polarised target

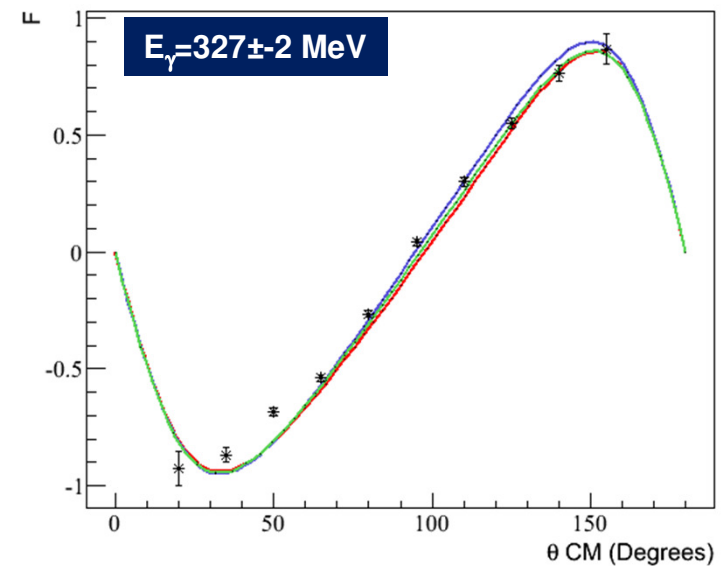
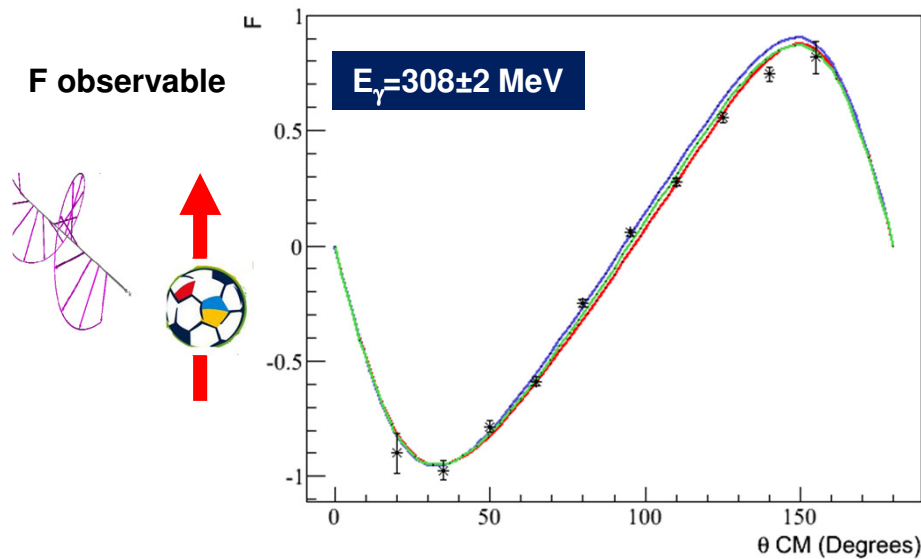


- 5000 hours beam on target in 2010/2011
- Maximum polarisation 90%. Relaxation time ~1000 hours

$p(\gamma, \pi^0)p$: T and F in $\Delta(1232)$ region



Preliminary

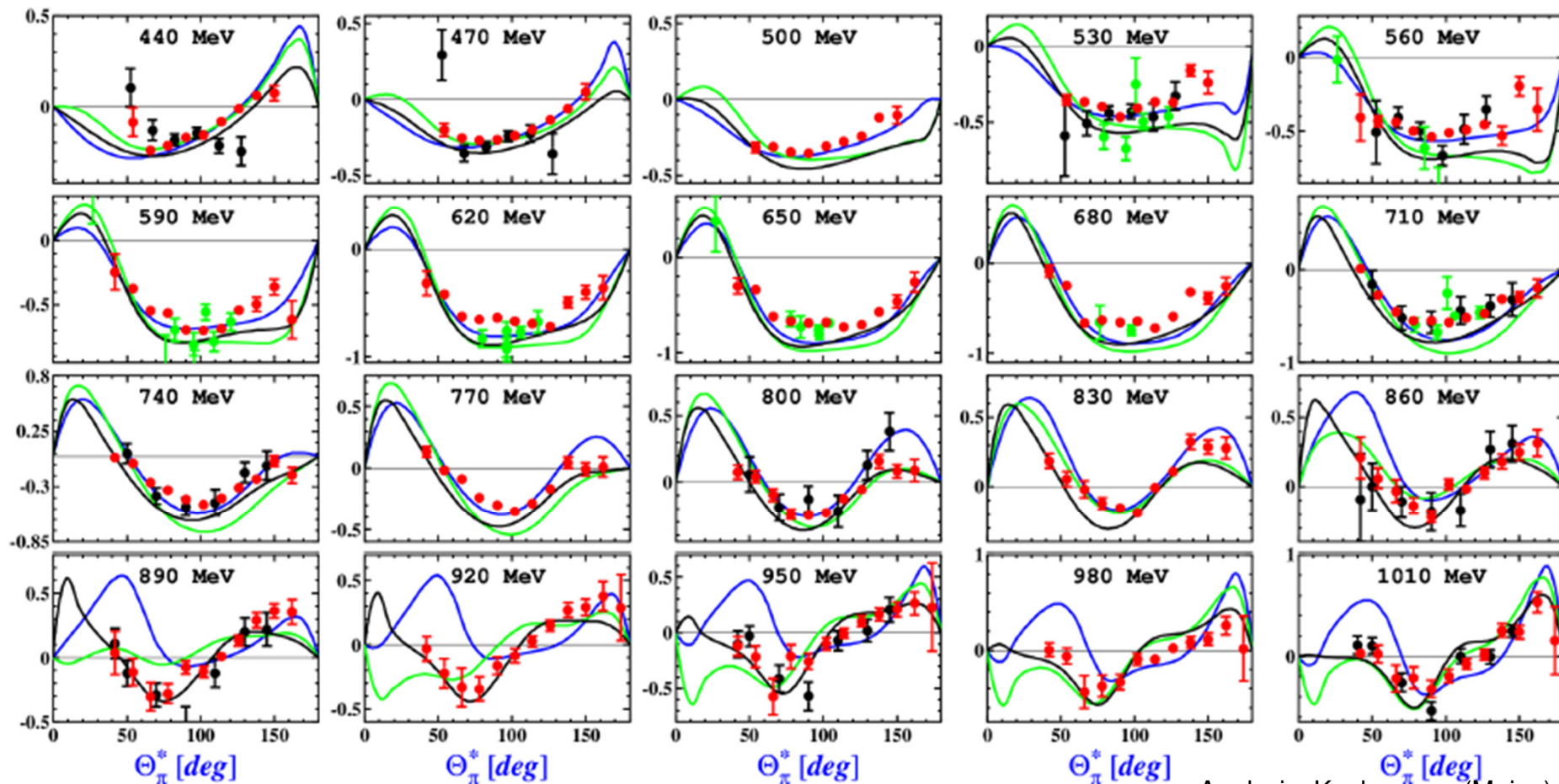


● Data near threshold will also constrain Unitary, ChPT models

$p(\gamma, \pi^0)p$: T in higher resonance regions

- MAMI-C
- Bonn98,77
- Tokyo78

blue line: MAID-2007
green line: SAID
black line: BG2010-02I

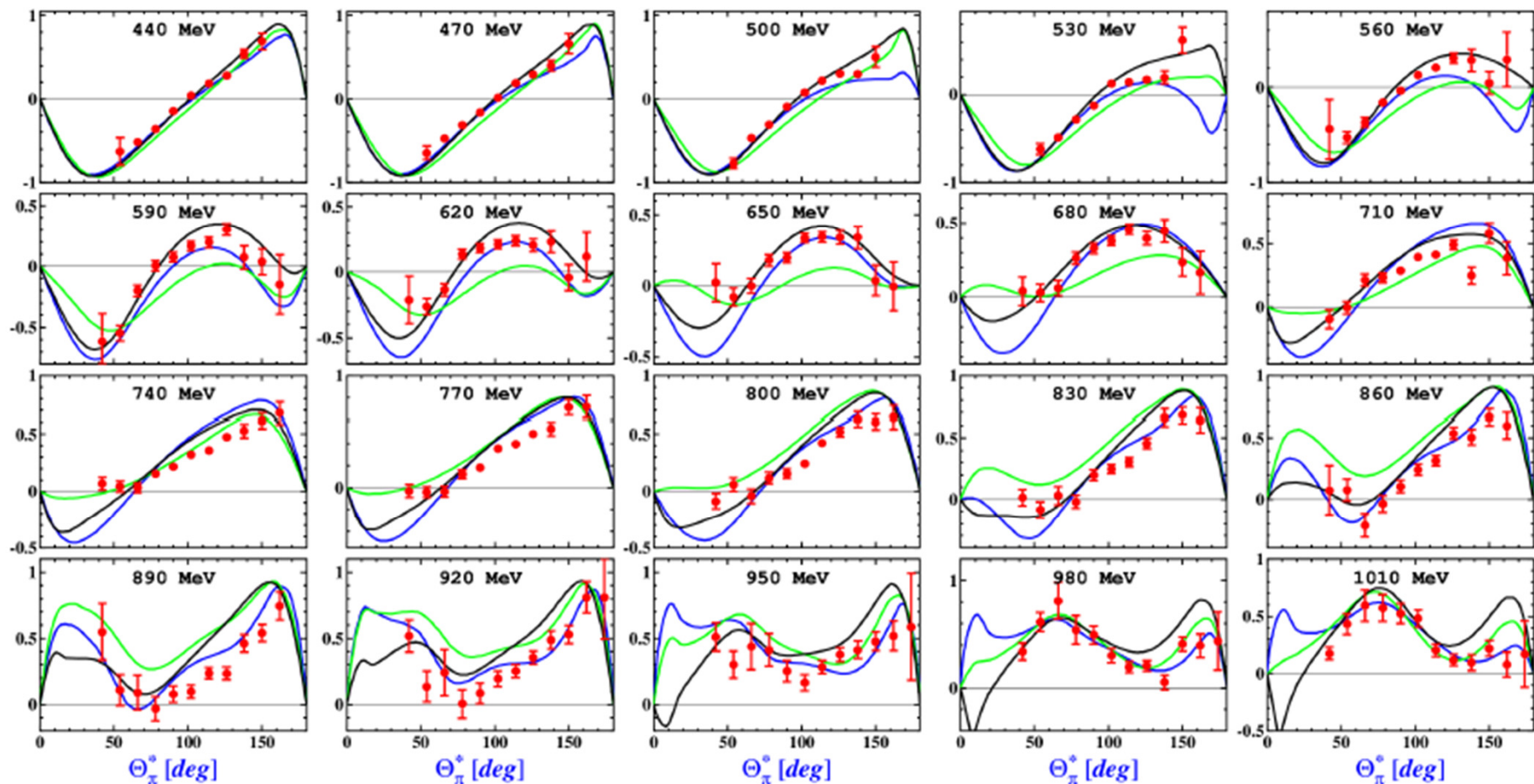


Analysis: Kashevarov (Mainz)

$p(\gamma, \pi^0)p$: F in higher resonance regions

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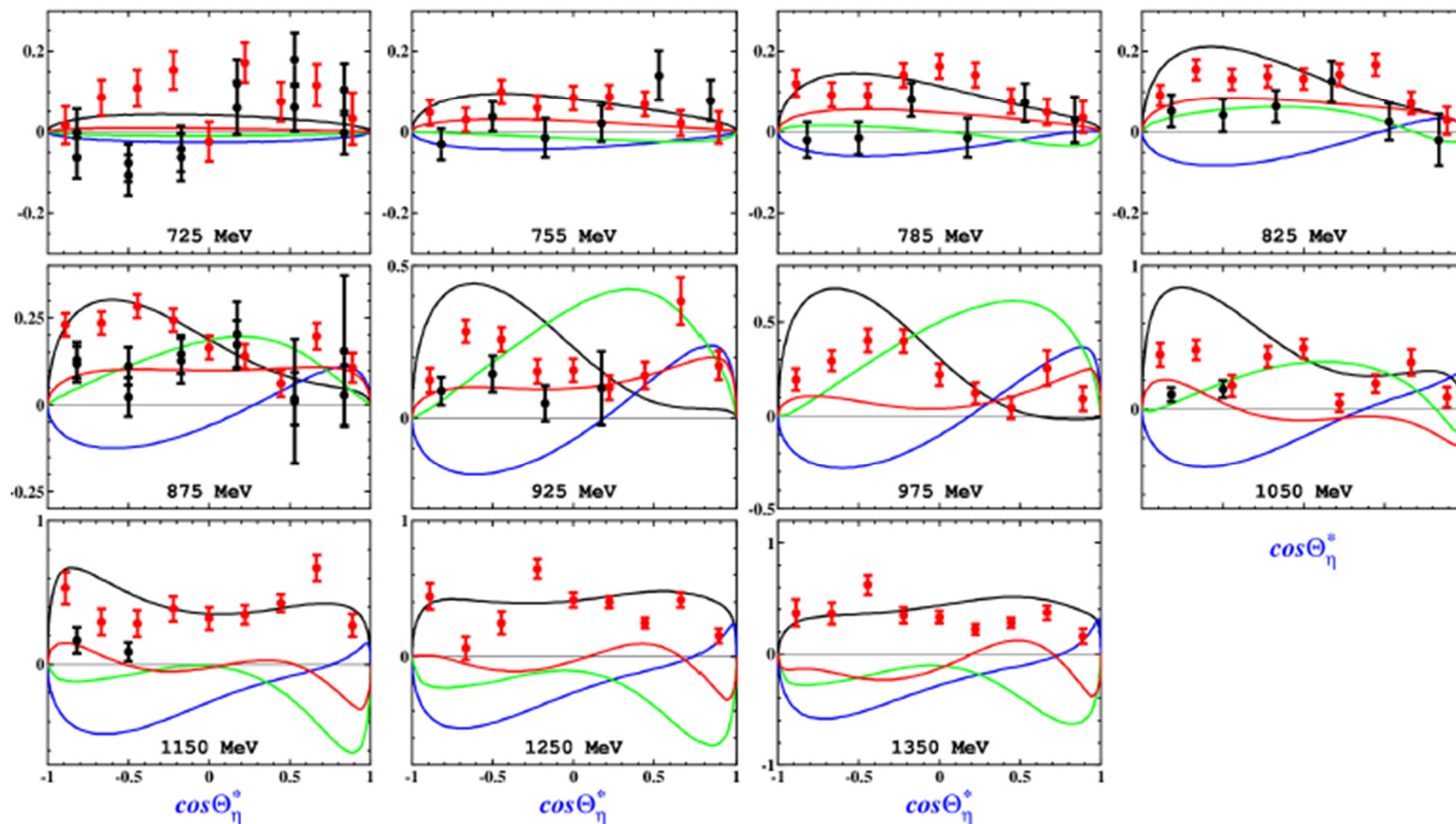


$p(\gamma,\eta)p$: T observable

- MAMI-C
- Bonn98

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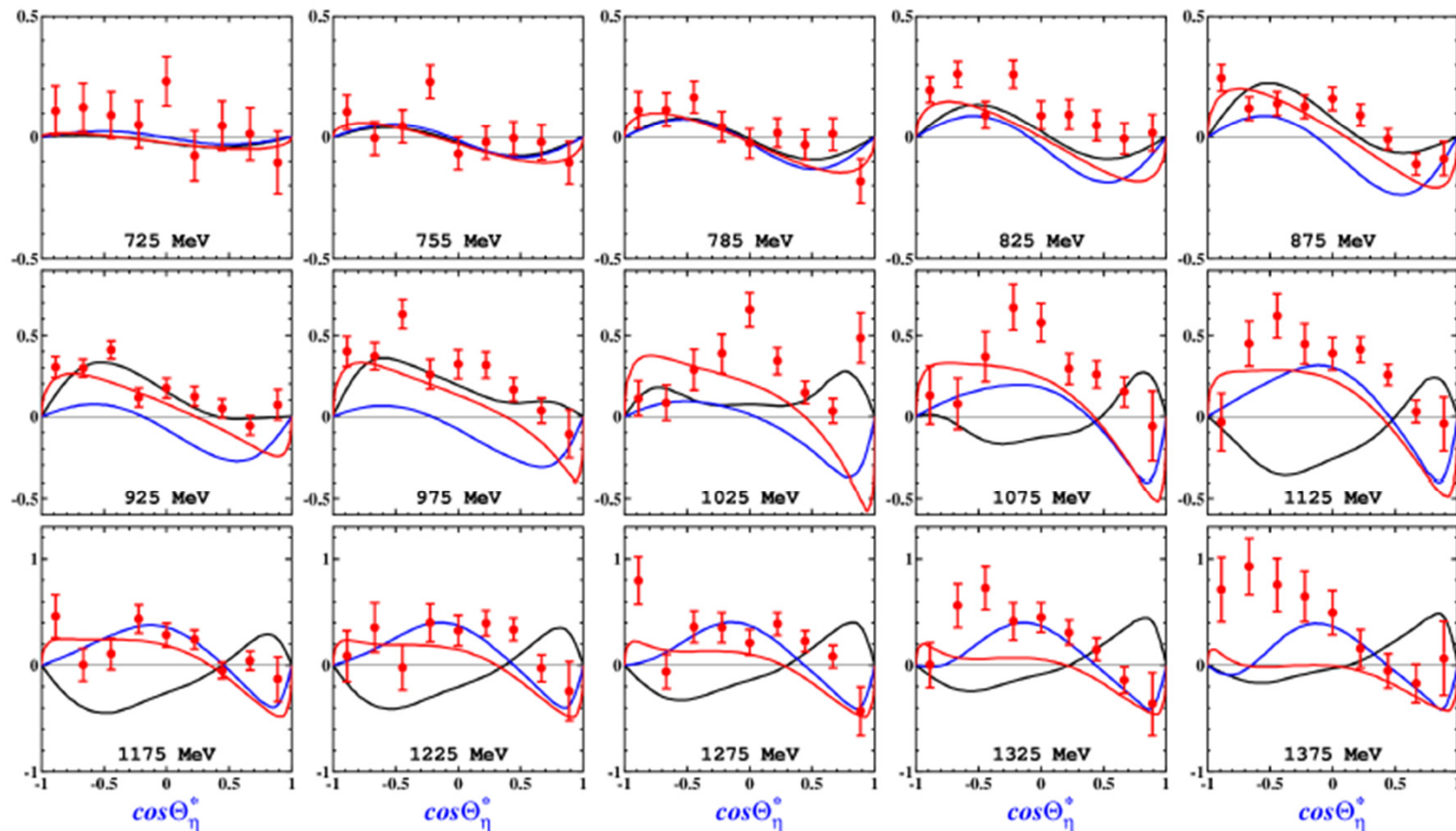


$p(\gamma,\eta)p$: F observable

• MAMI-C

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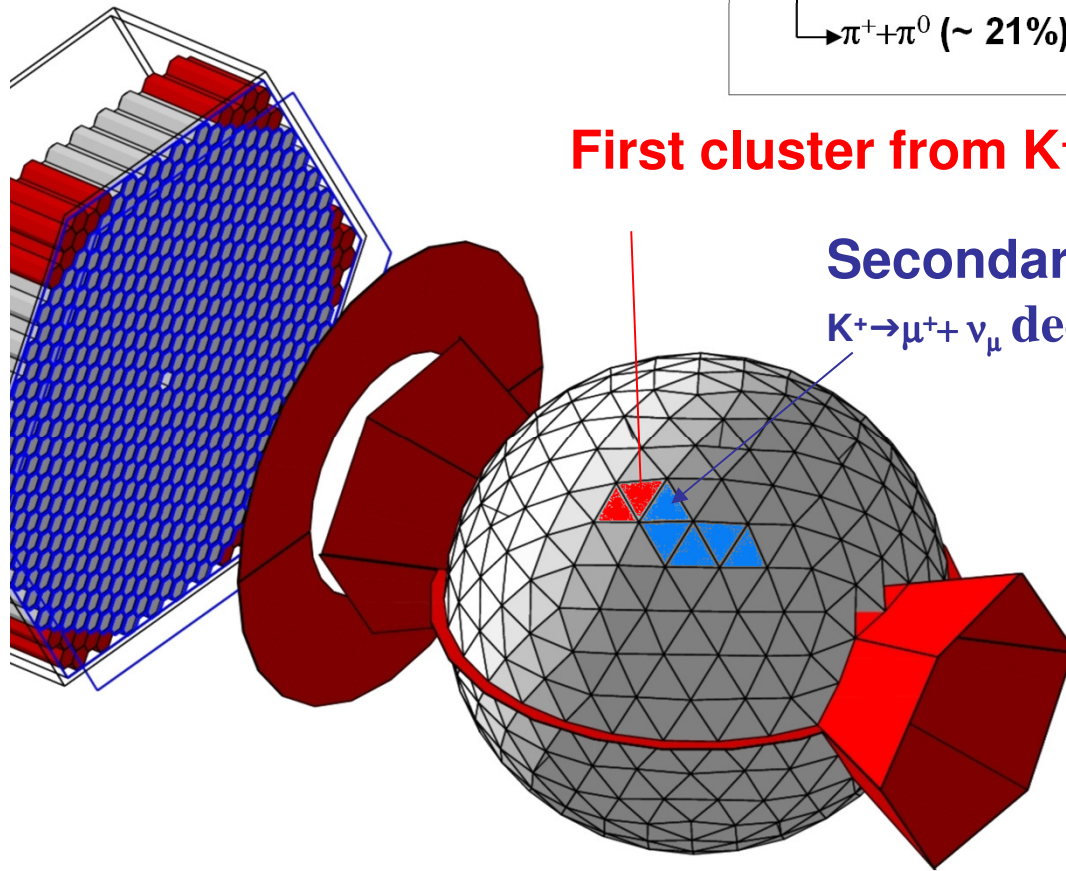
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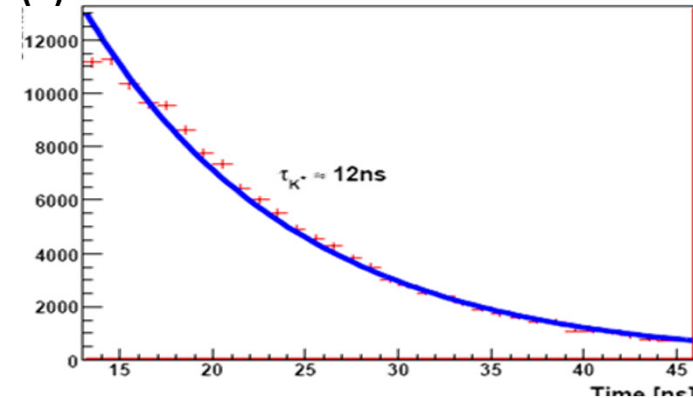
K^+ meson detection in segmented calorimeters

- Identify the K^+ decay within the crystals of the Crystal Ball and TAPS

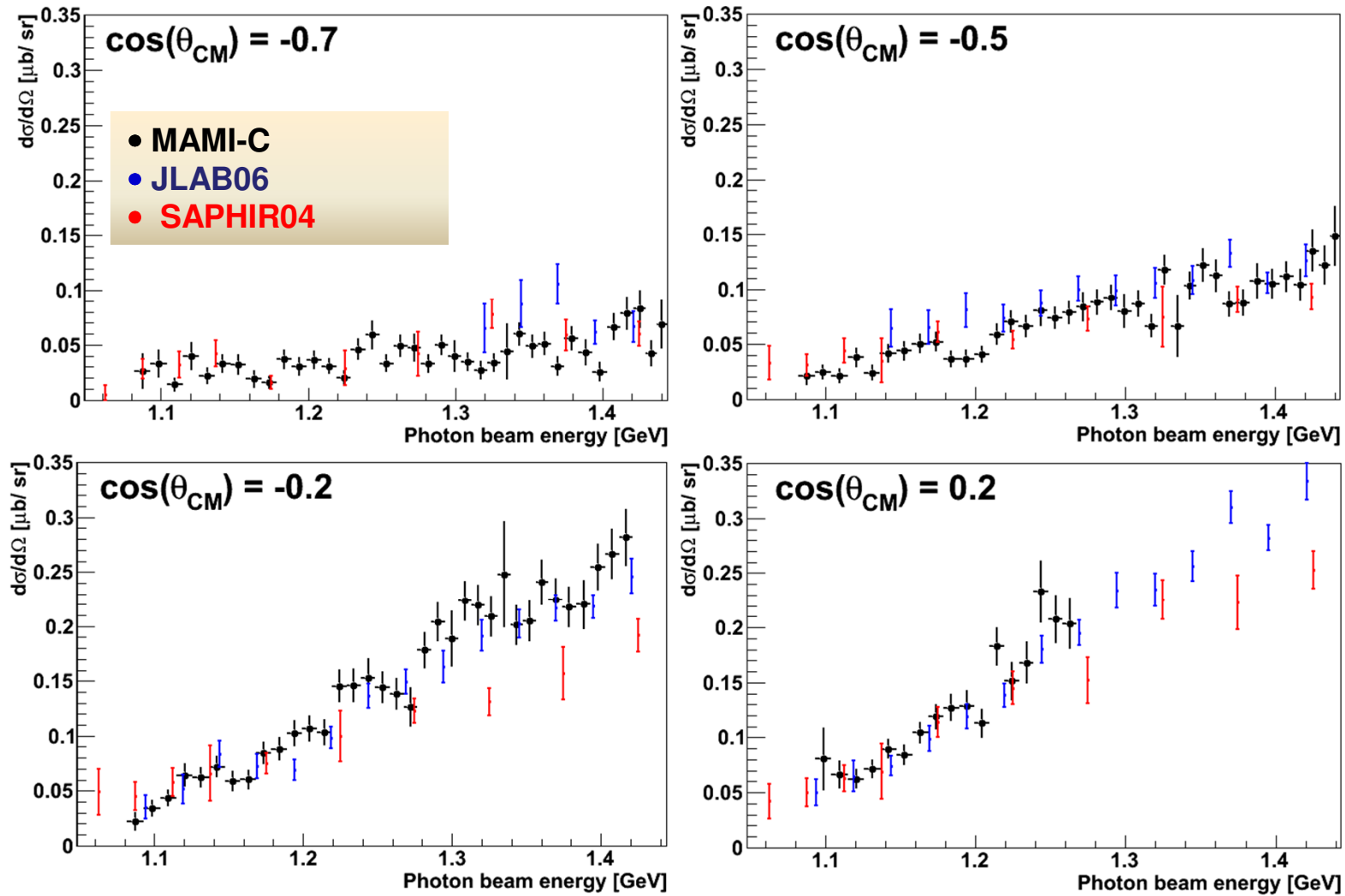
$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$ (~ 63%) Mean lifetime of $K^+ \sim 12$ ns
 $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ + \pi^0$ (~ 21%)



(a) Time diff. Between 1st and 2nd clusters

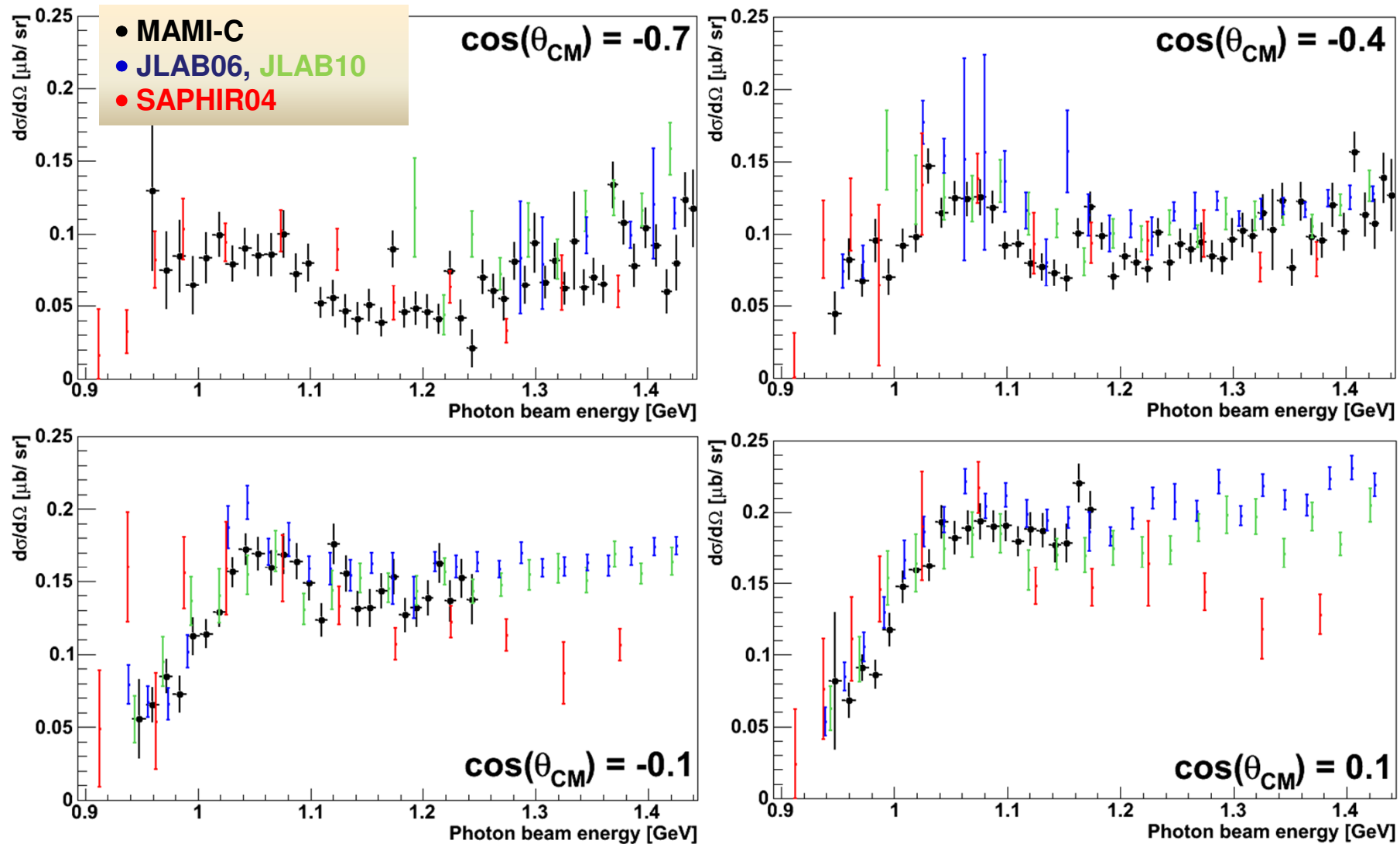


$\gamma(p, K^+) \Sigma^0$



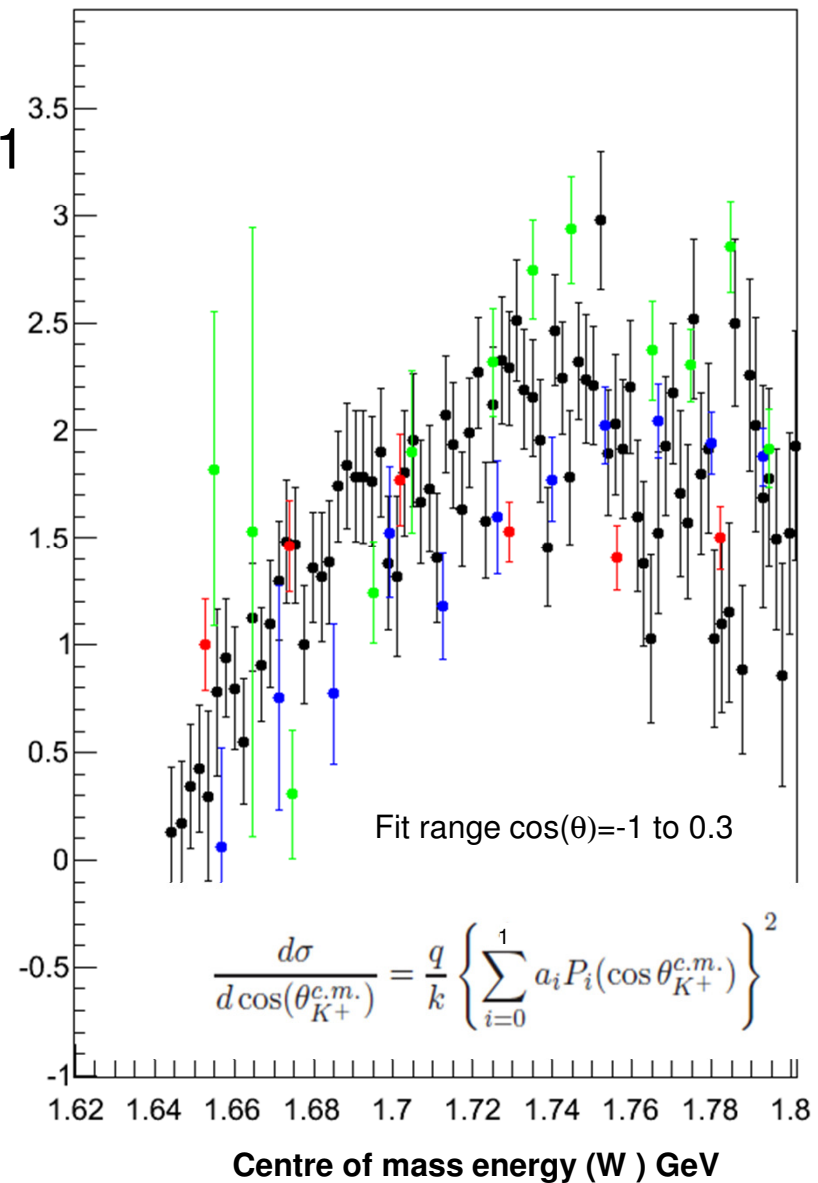
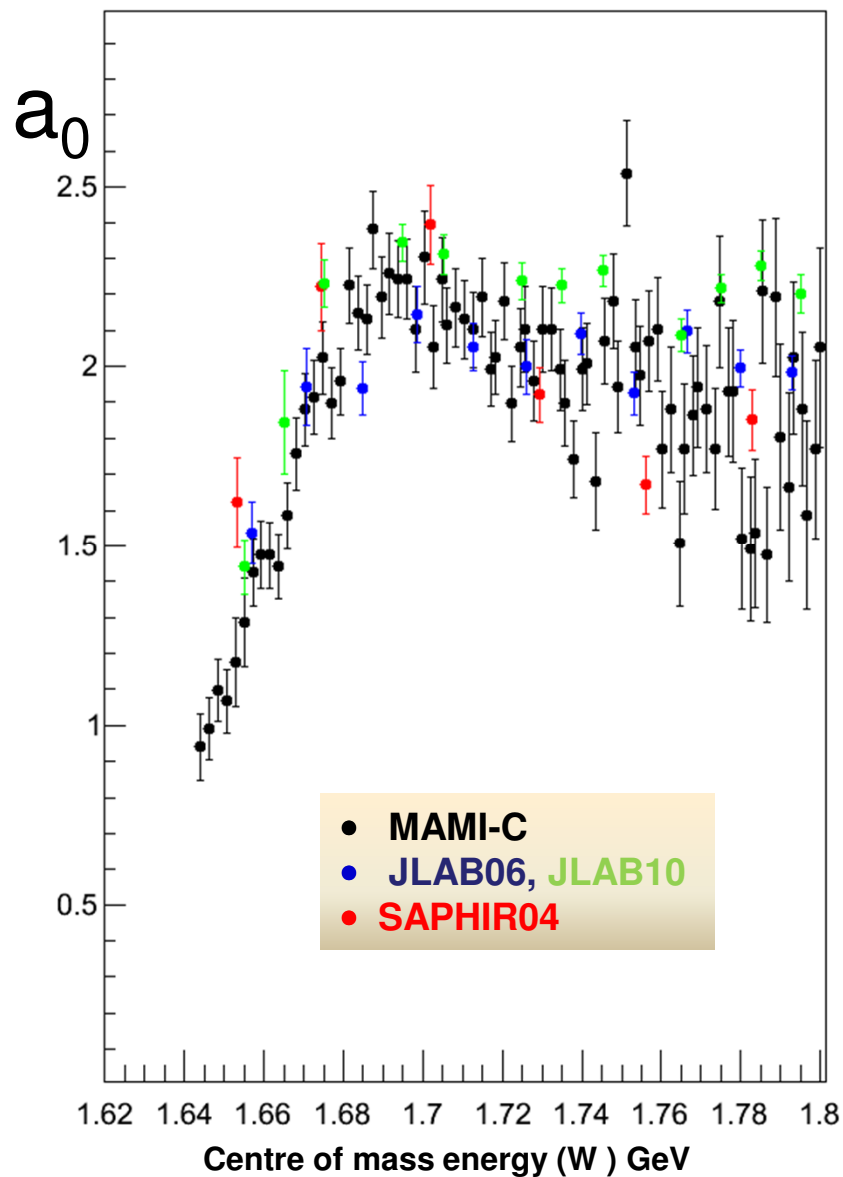
● Σ^0 tagged from detecting $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma$ decay

$\gamma(p, K^+) \Lambda$



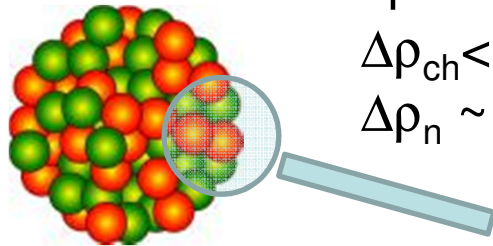
● Possible to bin data in $W < 2$ MeV !

$\gamma(p,K^+)\Lambda$: Legendre analysis



Matter form factor and the neutron skin

- Our knowledge of the shape of stable nuclei is presently incomplete

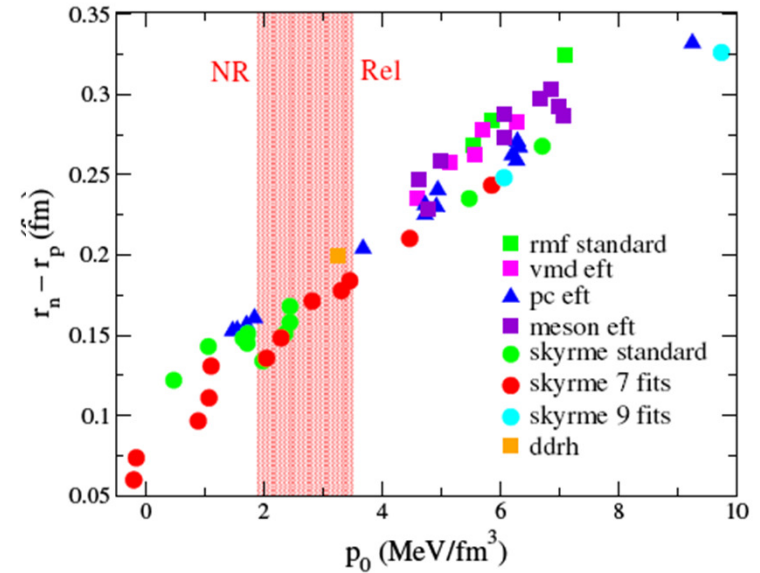


$$\Delta\rho_{\text{ch}} < 0.001 \text{ fm}$$

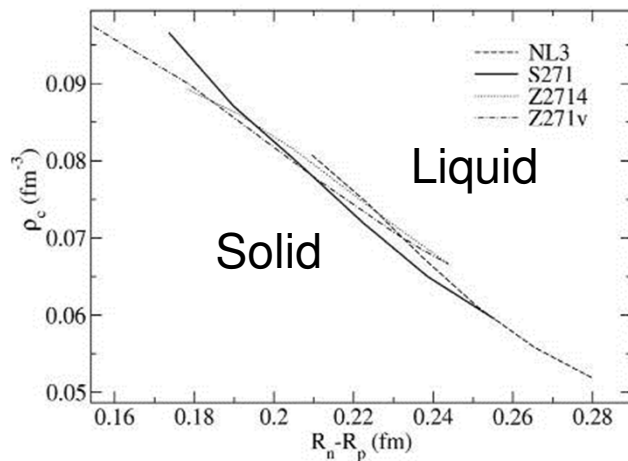
$$\Delta\rho_n \sim 0.2 \text{ fm}$$

Horowitz et al. PRC63 025501 (2001)

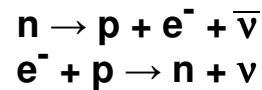
Piekarewicz et al. NPA 778 (2006)



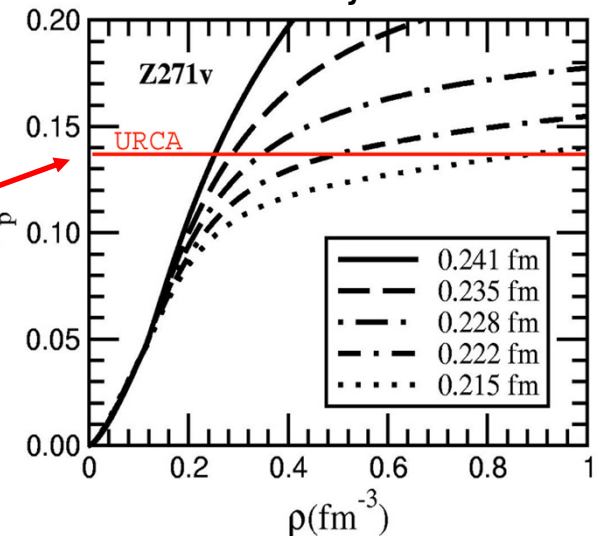
Thick neutron skin
→ Low transition density in neutron star



Direct URCA Cooling

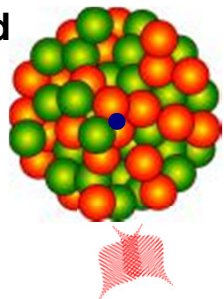


Proton fraction as a function of density in neutron star



Coherent pion photoproduction

Photon probe ✓
Interaction well understood



π^0 meson – produced with
~equal probability on
protons *AND* neutrons.

Select reactions which leave
nucleus in ground state

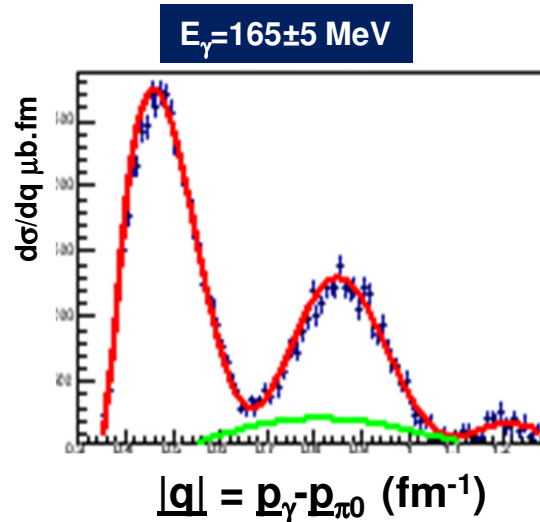
Reconstruct π^0
from $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$ decay

- Angular distribution of $\pi^0 \rightarrow$ PWIA contains the matter form factor

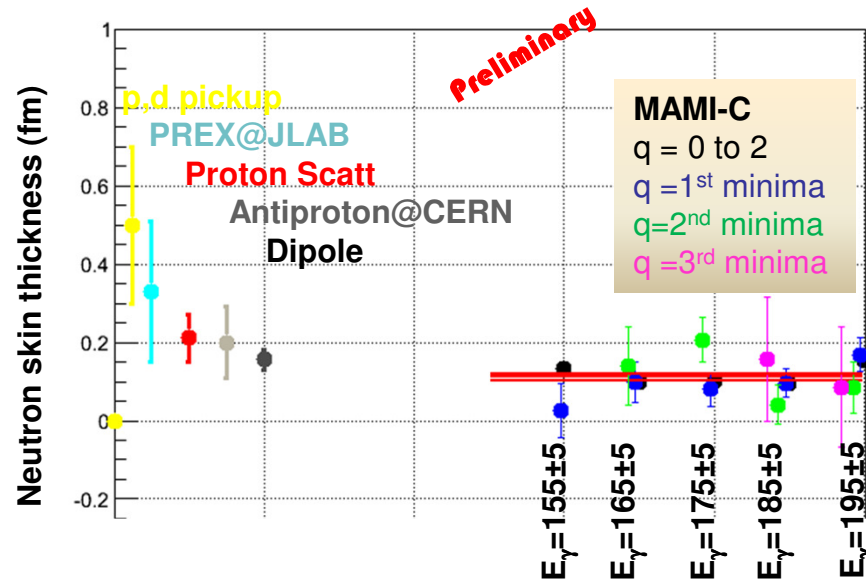
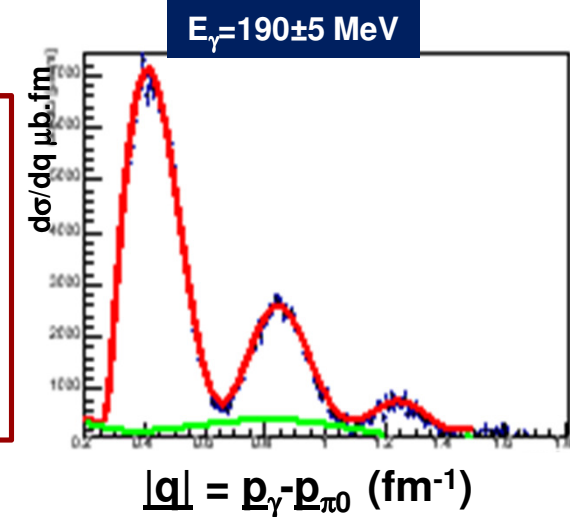
$$d\sigma/d\Omega(\text{PWIA}) = (s/m_N^2) A^2 (q_\pi^*/2k_\gamma) F_2(E_\gamma^*, \theta_\pi^*)^2 |F_m(q)|^2 \sin^2\theta_\pi^*$$

- π^0 final state interactions - complex optical potential tuned to π -A scattering data.
- Corrections modest at **low** pion momenta - $E_\gamma < 200$ MeV data scale as A^2

^{208}Pb neutron skin from Coherent π^0



— $(\gamma, \pi) + \pi^0\text{-A}$ complex optical potential
(Drechsel et al NPA 660 (1999))
Including detector resolution +
interpolated fit for neutron skin
+ incoherent background
— Incoherent background alone



Skin $\sim 0.12 \pm 0.02(\text{stat}) \text{ fm}$

Systematic error currently
being finalised.
expect $< \sim 0.05 \text{ fm}$

Summary

- The intense polarised photon beam at MAMI is producing world class data for the study of the properties of mesons, baryons, nuclei and nuclear matter.