

# EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS FROM MAMI

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## ● $\eta$ and $\eta'$ Decays

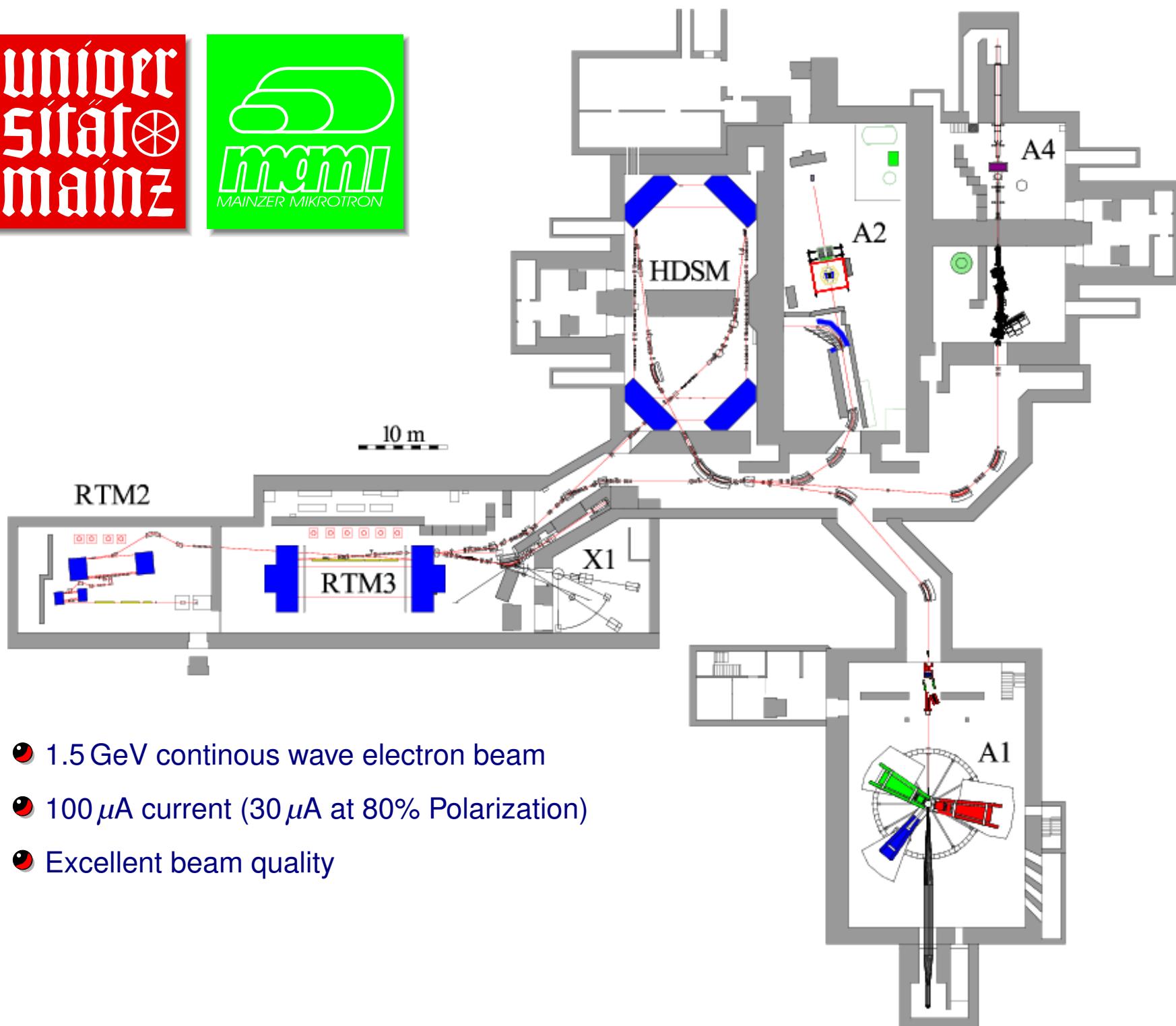
- ▶  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0$
- ▶ Cusp in  $\eta$  decays

## ● Polarizabilities of the Nucleon

- ▶ Virtual Compton Scattering
- ▶ Spin Polarizabilities

## ● Threshold Pion Production

- ▶  $Q^2$  Dependence
- ▶ Polarized Beam Asymmetry  $\Sigma$



# $\eta$ and $\eta'$ Decay

# Motivation: $\eta$ and $\eta'$ Decay

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$\eta, \eta' \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$

- Isospin violating  $\Delta I = 1 \Rightarrow \sim$  light quark mass difference  $m_u - m_d$
- Calculations in ChPT
  - ▶ Decay amplitude at  $O(p^2)$  (J. Gasser, H. Leutwyler NPB250, 539 (1985)):

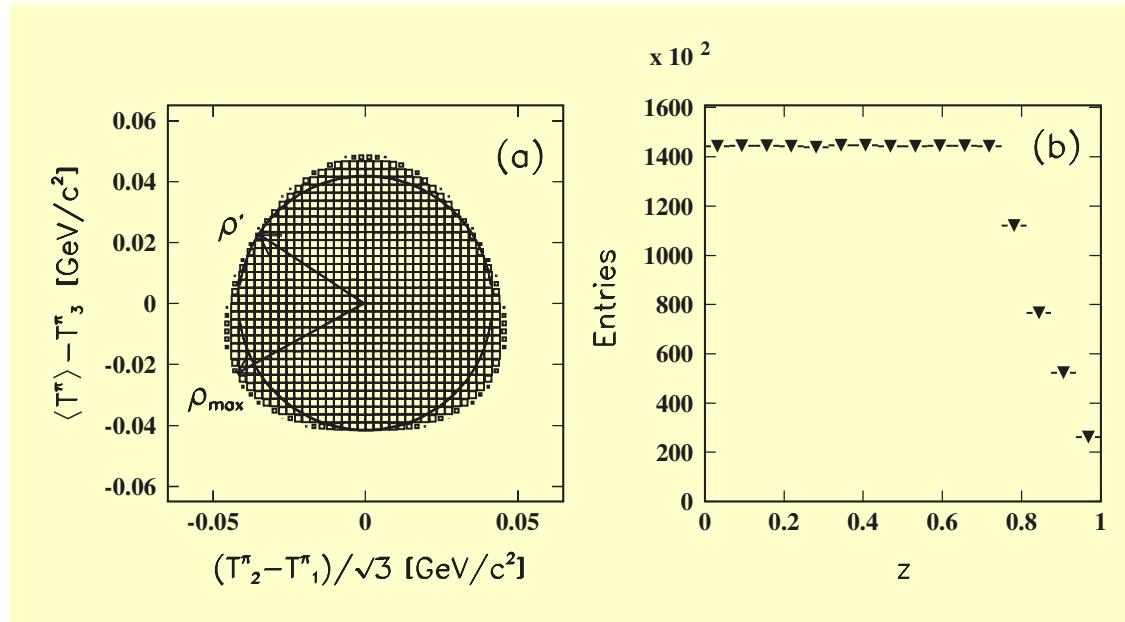
$$A(s, t, u) = \frac{B_0(m_u - m_d)}{3\sqrt{3}F_\pi^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{3(s - s_0)}{M_\eta^2 - M_\pi^2} \right] \sim \frac{m_d - m_u}{m_s - \hat{m}}$$

- ▶ ChPT  $O(p^6) \Rightarrow$  in disagreement with data
  - ▶ Structure of the  $\eta$ , e.g.  $\eta_1 - \eta_8$  mixing?
  - ▶ Final State Interaction, unitary chiral approach
- Cusp in  $3\pi^0$  Dalitz plot  $\Rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$  Scattering length

# Decay $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$ : slope parameter $\alpha$

$$|A_{\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0}|^2 \sim 1 + 2\alpha z + \dots$$

with 
$$z = 6 \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{(E_i - m_\eta/3)^2}{(m_\eta - 3m_{\pi^0})^2} = \frac{\rho^2}{\rho_{max}^2}$$



Experimental technique:

- Identified  $3\pi^0$  decay  $\Rightarrow$  4 $\pi$  detector for photons
- Comparison of decay slope with Monte-Carlo-Simulation

# A2 Crystal Ball and TAPS Photon Spectrometer

Crystal Ball:

672 NaJ Detectors

$$20^\circ \leq \theta \leq 160^\circ$$

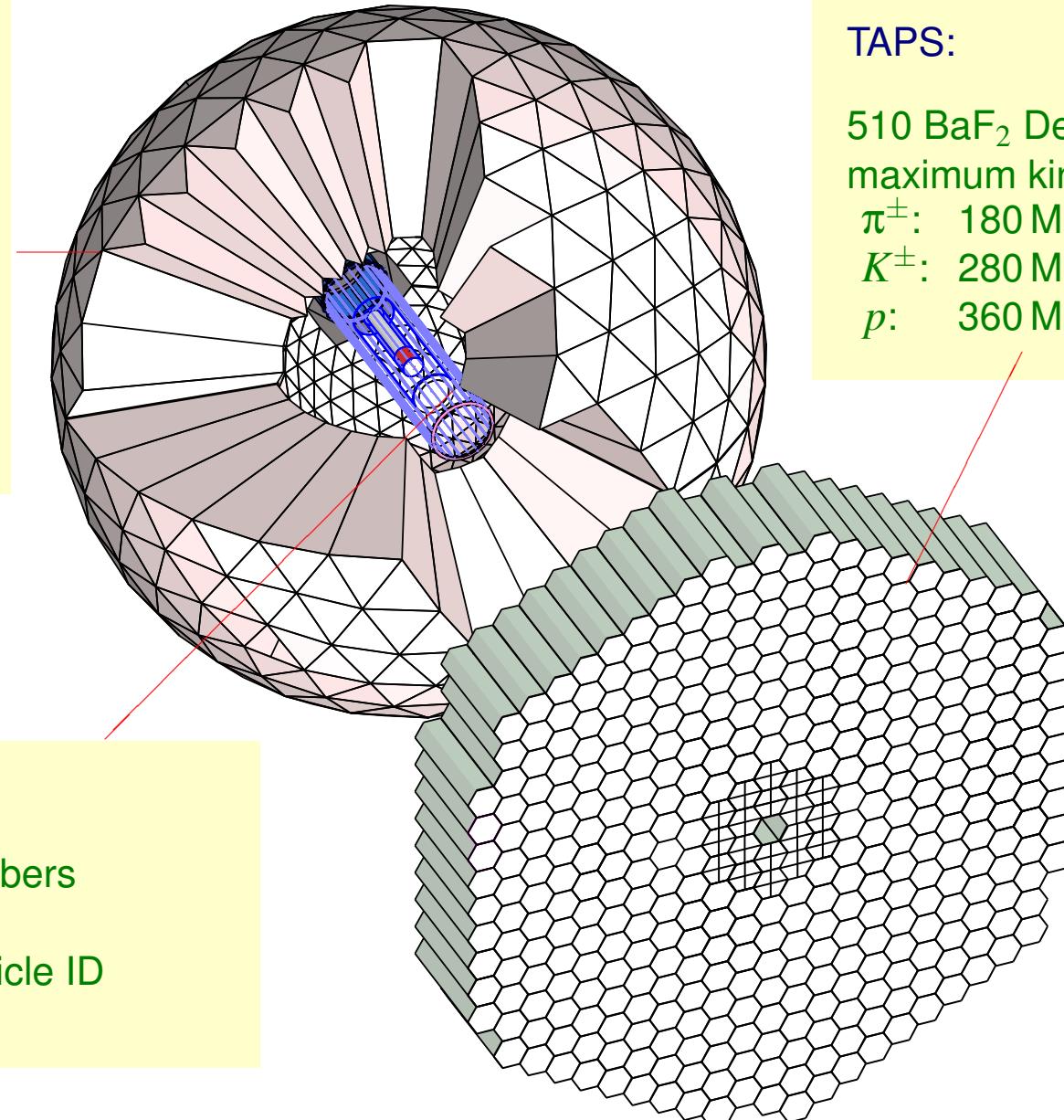
max. kin. Energy

$$\mu^\pm: 233 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\pi^\pm: 240 \text{ MeV}$$

$$K^\pm: 341 \text{ MeV}$$

$$p: 425 \text{ MeV}$$



TAPS:

510 BaF<sub>2</sub> Detectors

maximum kin. Energy:

$$\pi^\pm: 180 \text{ MeV}$$

$$K^\pm: 280 \text{ MeV}$$

$$p: 360 \text{ MeV}$$

Vertex Detectors:

2 cylindrical wire chambers

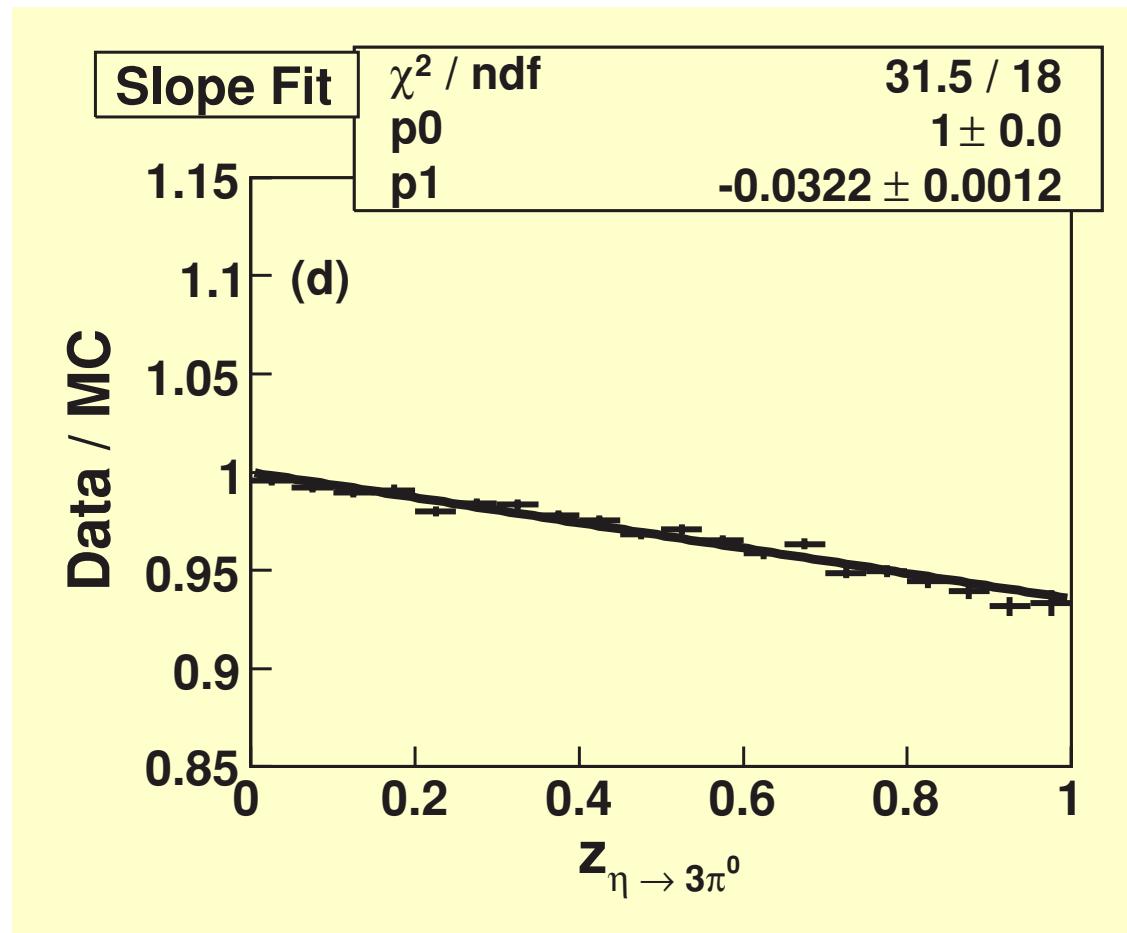
480 wires, 320 stripes

24 Scintillators for particle ID

$$\sigma_E/E = 2\%/\sqrt[4]{E(\text{GeV})}$$



# Decay $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$

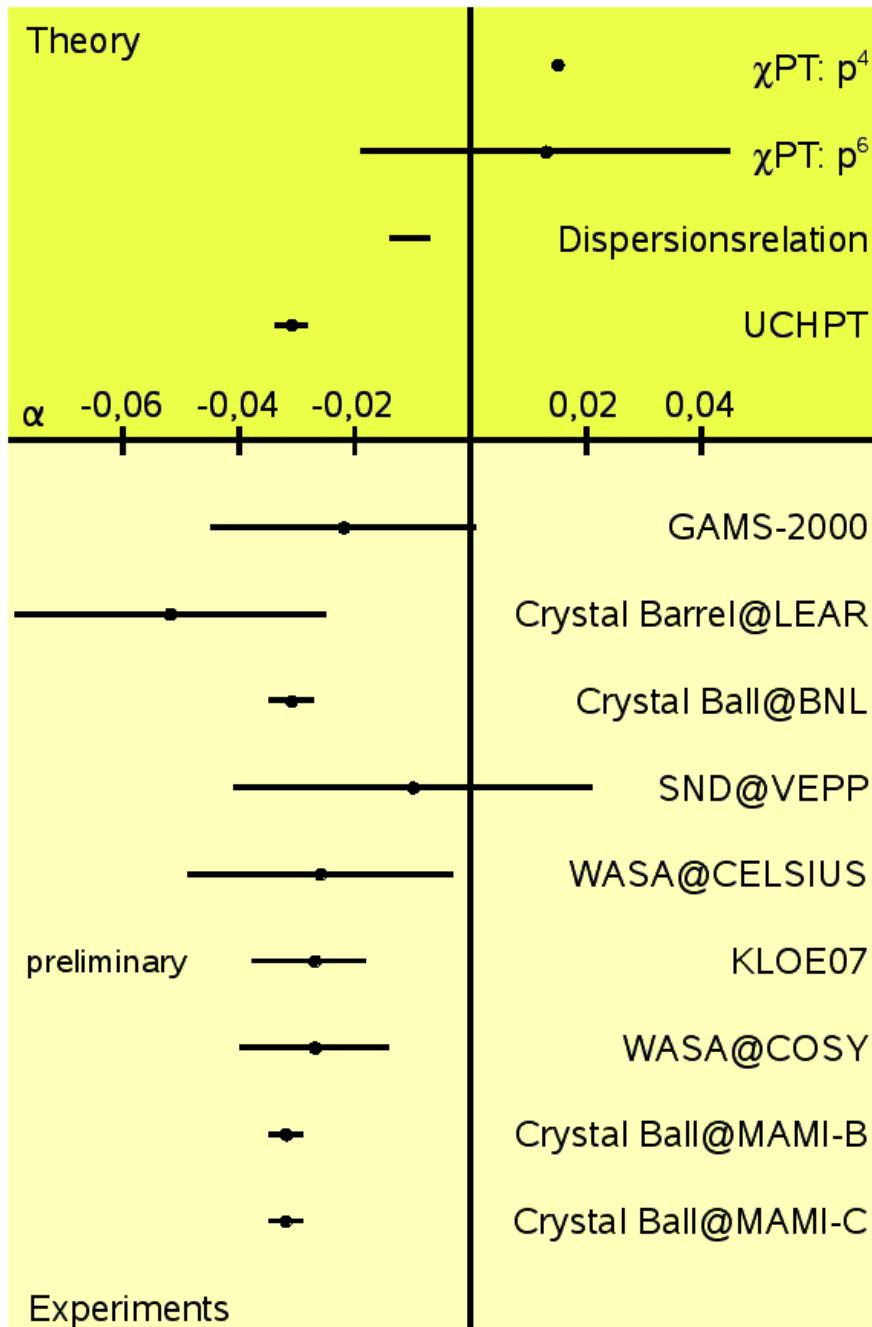


$$\alpha = -0.0322 \pm 0.0012 \pm 0.0022$$

S. Prakhov *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C79, 035204 (2009)

Details → Talk by Sergey Prakhov (Tuesday)

# Decay $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$



Dalitz Plot Parameter  $\alpha$ :

● MAMI-B

$$\alpha = -0.0319 \pm 0.0015 \pm 0.0016$$

● MAMI-C

$$\alpha = -0.0322 \pm 0.0012 \pm 0.0022$$

● Consistent with  
Crystal Ball@BNL / KLOE

● Theory: UChPT

● Cusp on slope?

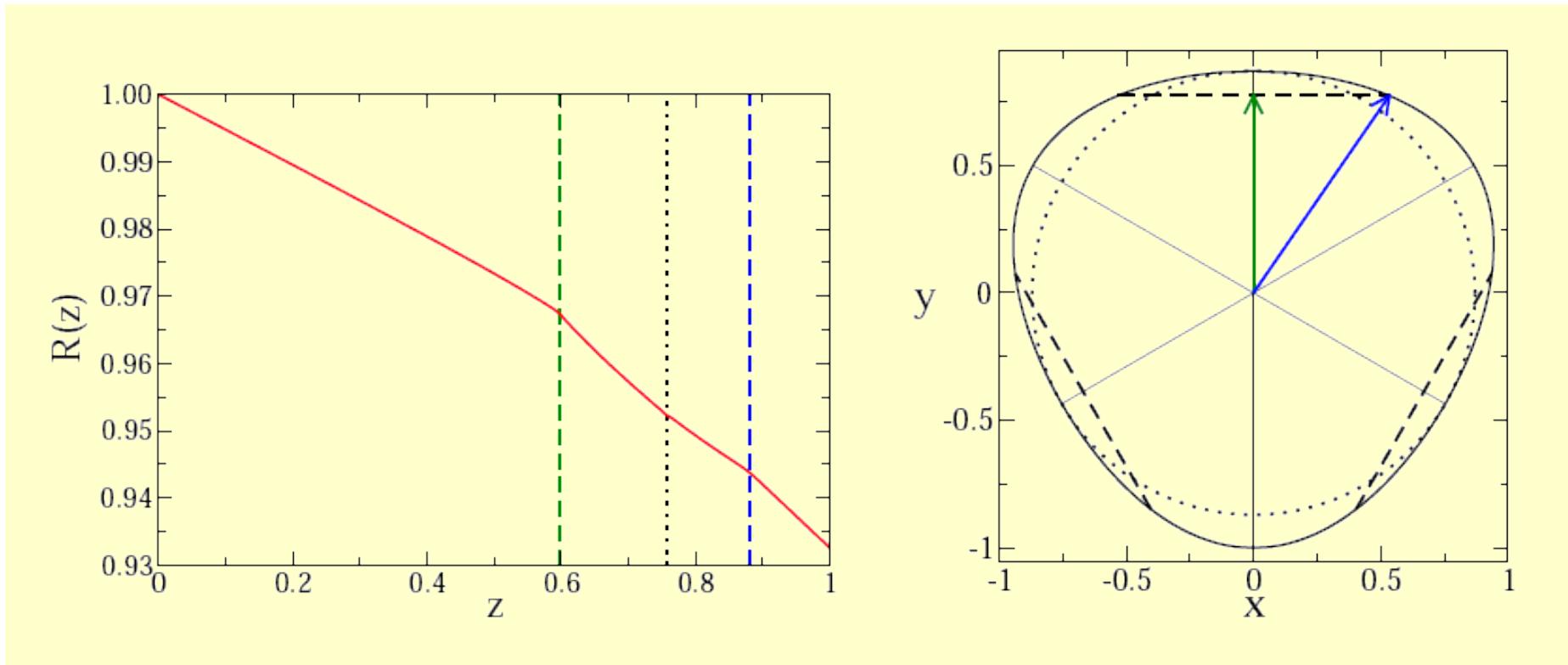
MAMI-B: M. Unverzagt *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. A39, 169-177 (2009)

MAMI-C: S. Prakhov *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C79, 035204 (2009)

UChPT: B. Borasoya and R. Nißler, Eur. Phys. J. A 26, 383-398 (2005)

# Cusp in slope

- Rescattering  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$  at threshold
- Cusp in Dalitz plot slope  $\Rightarrow \pi\pi$  scattering length:

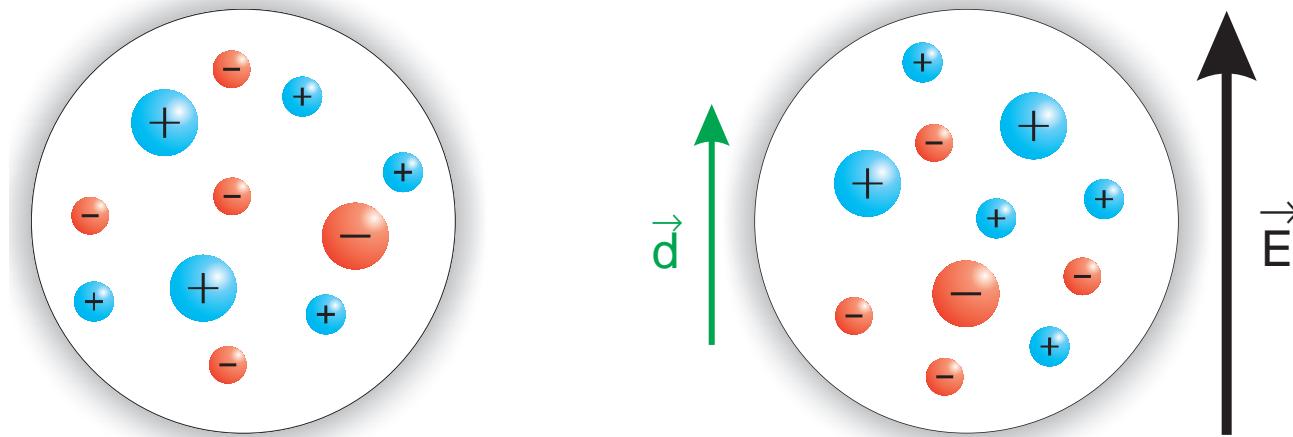


- Near future:  $3 \cdot 10^6 \rightarrow 30 \cdot 10^6$  detected  $\eta$ -Decays
- Also visible in  $\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \pi^0$ , larger effect

# Polarizabilities of the Nucleon

# Electromagnetic Polarizabilities

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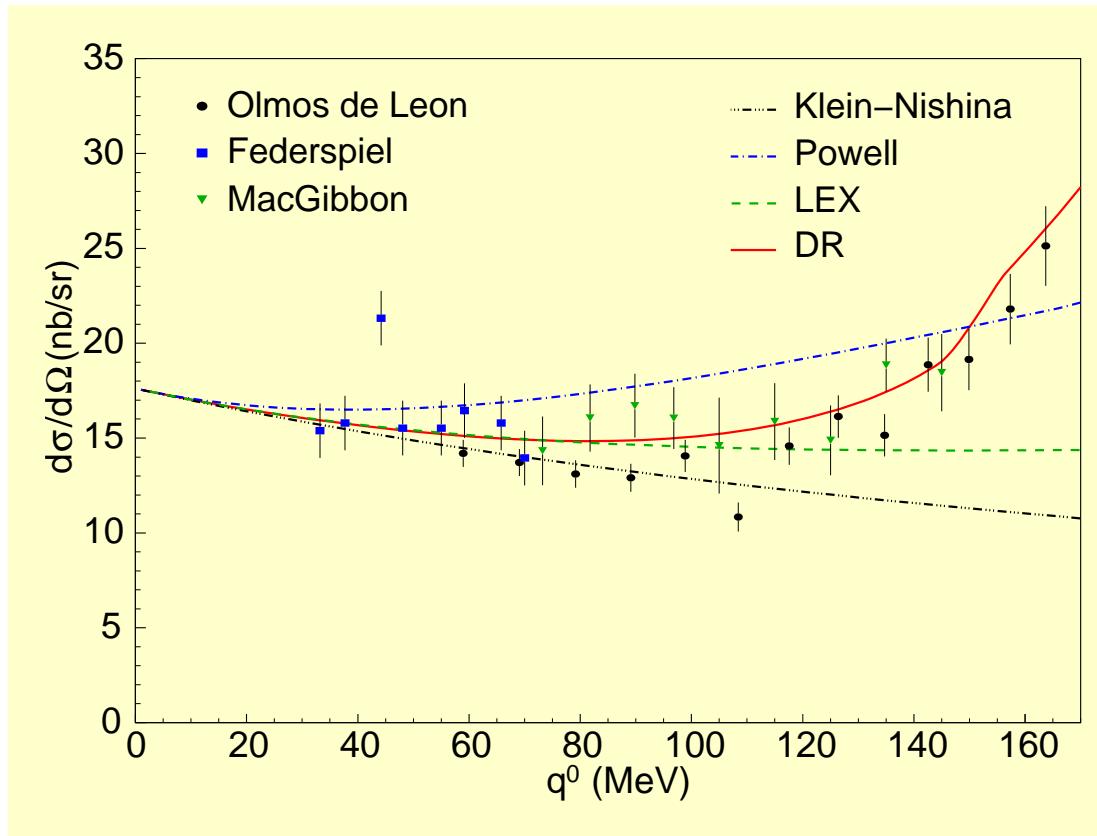
Polarizability  $\alpha$ : induced dipole moment  $\vec{d} = \alpha \vec{E}$

- Direct measure of electric ( $\alpha$ ) and magnetic ( $\beta$ ) stiffness of nucleon
- Fundamental static properties of the nucleon
- Spin polarizabilities

# Dynamical Measurement

COMPTON SCATTERING  $\Rightarrow$  Polarizabilities in static limit  $q' \rightarrow 0$

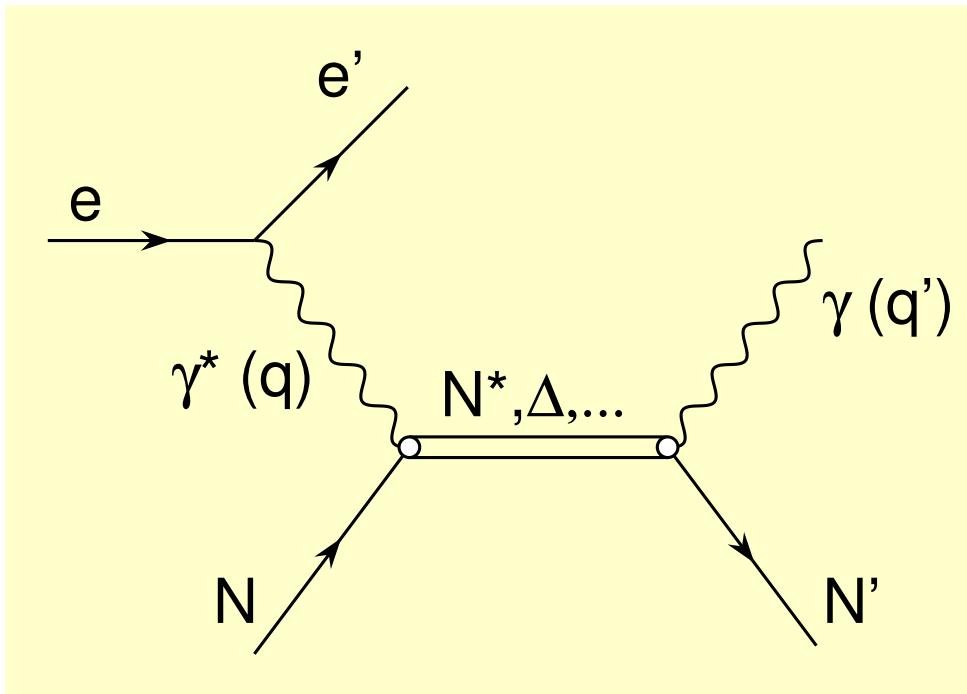
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma_0}{d\Omega} - \frac{e^2}{4\pi m_p} \left(\frac{q'}{q}\right)^2 q q' \left\{ \frac{1}{2}(\bar{\alpha} + \bar{\beta})(1 + \cos\theta)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\bar{\alpha} - \bar{\beta})(1 - \cos\theta)^2 \right\} + \dots$$



	Data/ $(10^{-4}\text{fm}^3)$	HBChPT ( $O(p^4)$ )
$\alpha$	$12.1 \pm 0.3_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.5_{\text{syst}}$	$10.5 \pm 0.2$
$\beta$	$1.6 \pm 0.4_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.6_{\text{syst}}$	$3.5 \pm 3.6$

# Virtual Compton Scattering

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- ➊ Polarizabilities depend on photon virtuality  $Q^2$   
⇒ Generalized Polarizabilities
  
- ➋ Interpretation of GP( $Q^2$ ):  
⇒ “Form Factor” measurement in external field  
⇒ Fouriertransform of local distribution of polarizabilities

# Polarizabilities in Virtual Compton Scattering

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VCS <sup>[1]</sup>	EM transition	Spin flip	RCS <sup>[2]</sup>	Resonance
$P^{(01,01)0}$	C1 → E1	S=0	$-\frac{1}{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \alpha_E$	D13, S11
$P^{(11,11)0}$	M1 → M1	S=0	$-\frac{1}{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} \beta_M$	P33, P11
$P^{(01,12)1}$	M2 → E1	S=1	$-\frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \gamma_3$	D13
$P^{(11,02)1}$	C2 → M1	S=1	$-\frac{1}{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{8}{27}} (\gamma_2 + \gamma_4)$	P33
$P^{(11,00)1}$	C0 → M1	S=1		P11
$P^{(11,11)1}$	M1 → M1	S=1		P33, P11
$P^{(01,01)1}$	C1 → E1	S=1		D13, S11
$\hat{P}^{(11,2)1}$	C2, E2 → M1	S=1		P33
$\hat{P}^{(01,1)1}$	C1, E1 → E1	S=1		D13, S11
$\hat{P}^{(01,1)0}$	C1, E1 → E1	S=0		D13, S11

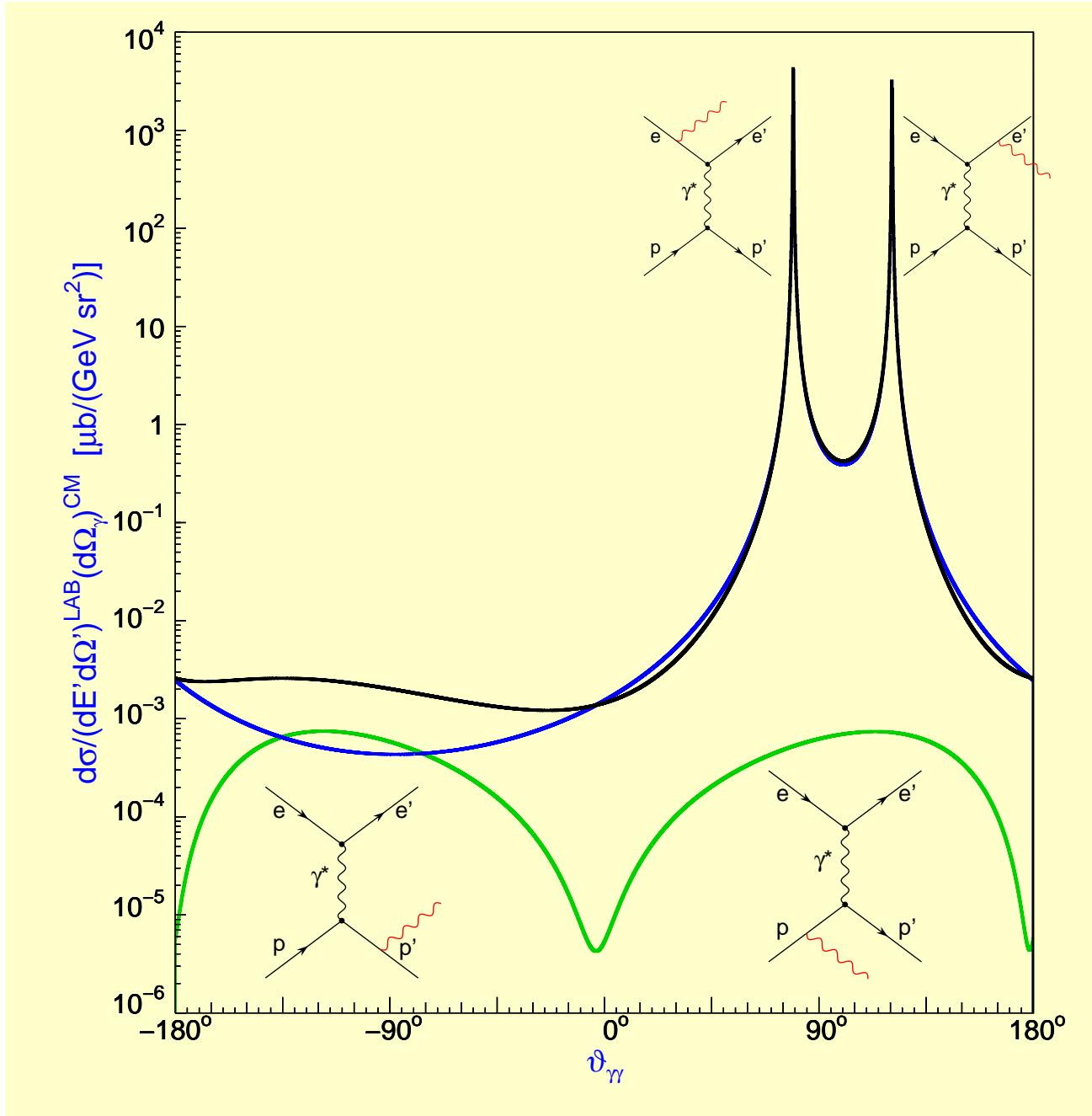
- Defined only in limit  $q' \rightarrow 0$ , linear in  $q'$
- Angular momentum conservation  $\Rightarrow$  10 Generalized Polarizabilities
- Charge-conjugation, crossing<sup>[3]</sup>  $\Rightarrow$  Only 6 independent GP's

1) P.A.M. Guichon, G.Q. Liu, A.W. Thomas, Nucl. Phys. A 591 606 –638 (1995)

2) S. Ragusa, Phys. Rev. D 47, 3757 (1993)

3) D. Drechsel *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 57, 2, 941 (1998)

# Bethe-Heitler and Born Amplitudes



# Extraction of Polarizabilities

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE'd\Omega'd\Omega_\gamma} = \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1: } e + p \rightarrow e' + p' \\ \text{Diagram 2: } e + p \rightarrow e' + p' \\ \text{Diagram 3: } e + p \rightarrow e' + p' \\ \text{Diagram 4: } e + p \rightarrow e' + p' \\ \text{Diagram 5: } e + N \rightarrow e' + N' \\ \text{Diagram 6: } e + \gamma^*(q) \rightarrow e' + N^*, \Delta, \dots \end{array} \right|^2$$

## Low Energy Expansion (LEX)

- ▶ Expansion in outgoing photon momentum  $q'$

$$\frac{d^5\sigma}{dE'd\Omega'd\Omega_\gamma^{cm}} = d^5\sigma^{BH+Born} + \phi q' \Psi_0(q, \varepsilon, \theta, \phi) + O(q'^2)$$

- ▶ First order given by Bethe-Heitler + Born
- ▶ First non trivial term in  $q'$  expansion: Interference between Bethe-Heitler + Born and VCS

## Dispersion Relations (DR)

- ▶ Connects  $\pi$ -Photo- and Electroproduction with VCS
- ▶ Two parameter:  $\Lambda_\alpha(Q^2)$  and  $\Lambda_\beta(Q^2)$

LEX: P. A. M. Guichon, G. Q. Liu, A. W. Thomas, Nucl. Phys. A 591 606 –638 (1995)

DR: B. Pasquini *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. A 11, 185 – 208 (2001)

# Unpolarized Virtual Compton Scattering

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## ➊ Low Energy Expansion (LEX)

$$\frac{d^5\sigma}{dE'd\Omega'd\Omega_{\gamma}^{cm}} = d^5\sigma^{BH+Born} + \phi q' \Psi_0(q, \varepsilon, \theta, \phi) + O(q'^2)$$

## ➋ Unpolarized experiment:

$$\Psi_0 = v_1(\theta, \phi, \varepsilon)(P_{LL}(q^2) - P_{TT}(q^2)/\varepsilon) + v_2(\theta, \phi, \varepsilon)P_{LT}(q^2)$$

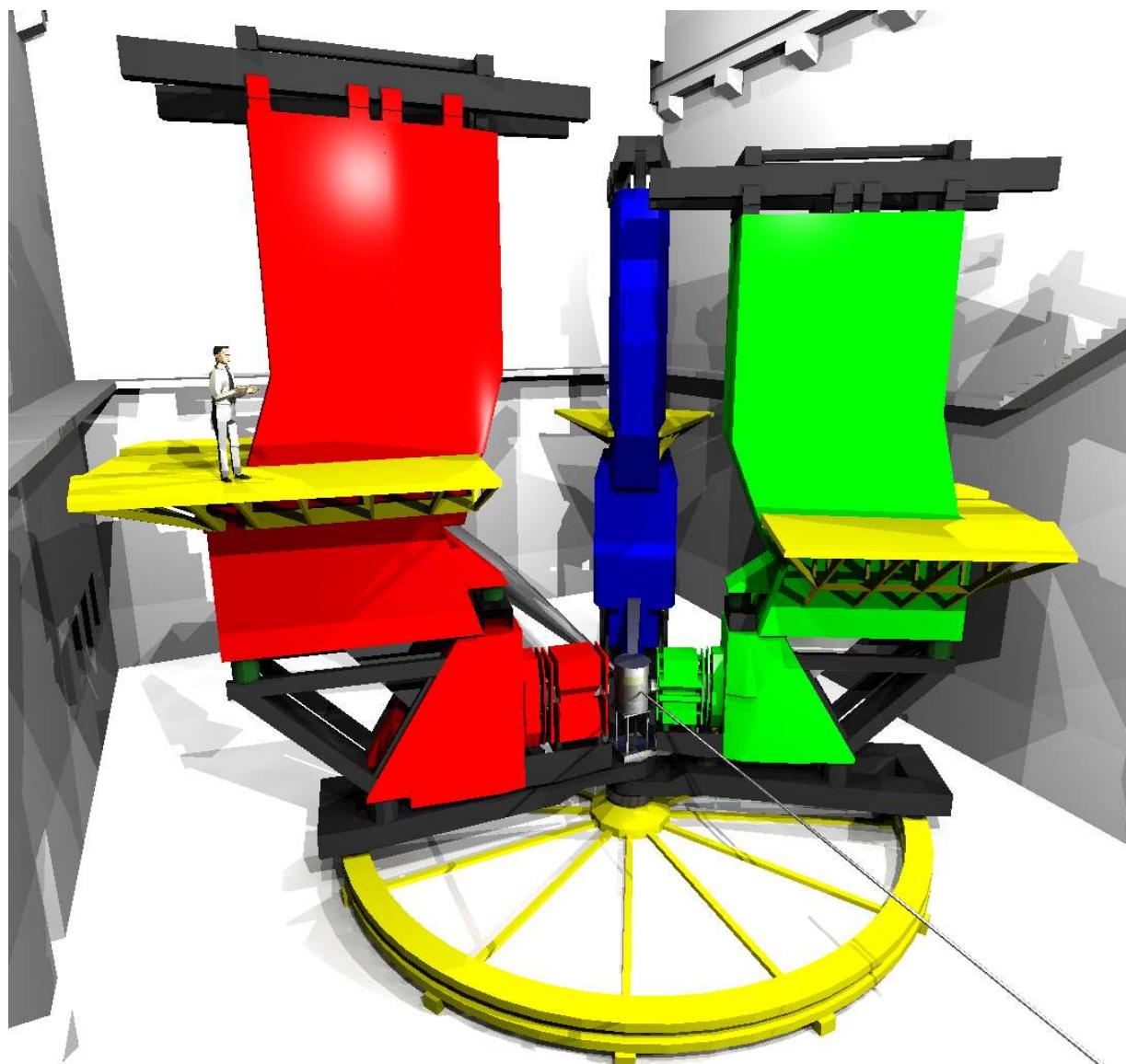
## ➌ Varying $\theta, \phi, \varepsilon \Rightarrow$ 3 Structure functions:

$$P_{LL}(q^2) = -2\sqrt{6} m_N G_E P^{C1 \rightarrow E1}$$

$$P_{TT}(q^2) = 3 G_M |\vec{q}|^2 \left( \sqrt{2} P^{C2 \rightarrow E1(S)} - \frac{1}{q_0} P^{M1 \rightarrow M1(S)} \right)$$

$$P_{LT}(q^2) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{|\vec{q}|}{Q} m_N G_E P^{M1 \rightarrow M1} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \frac{Q}{|\vec{q}|} G_M \left( P^{C0 \rightarrow M1(S)} + \frac{|\vec{q}|^2}{\sqrt{2}} P^{C2 \rightarrow M1(S)} \right)$$

# A1: 3-Spectrometer-Setup at MAMI



Spectrometer A:

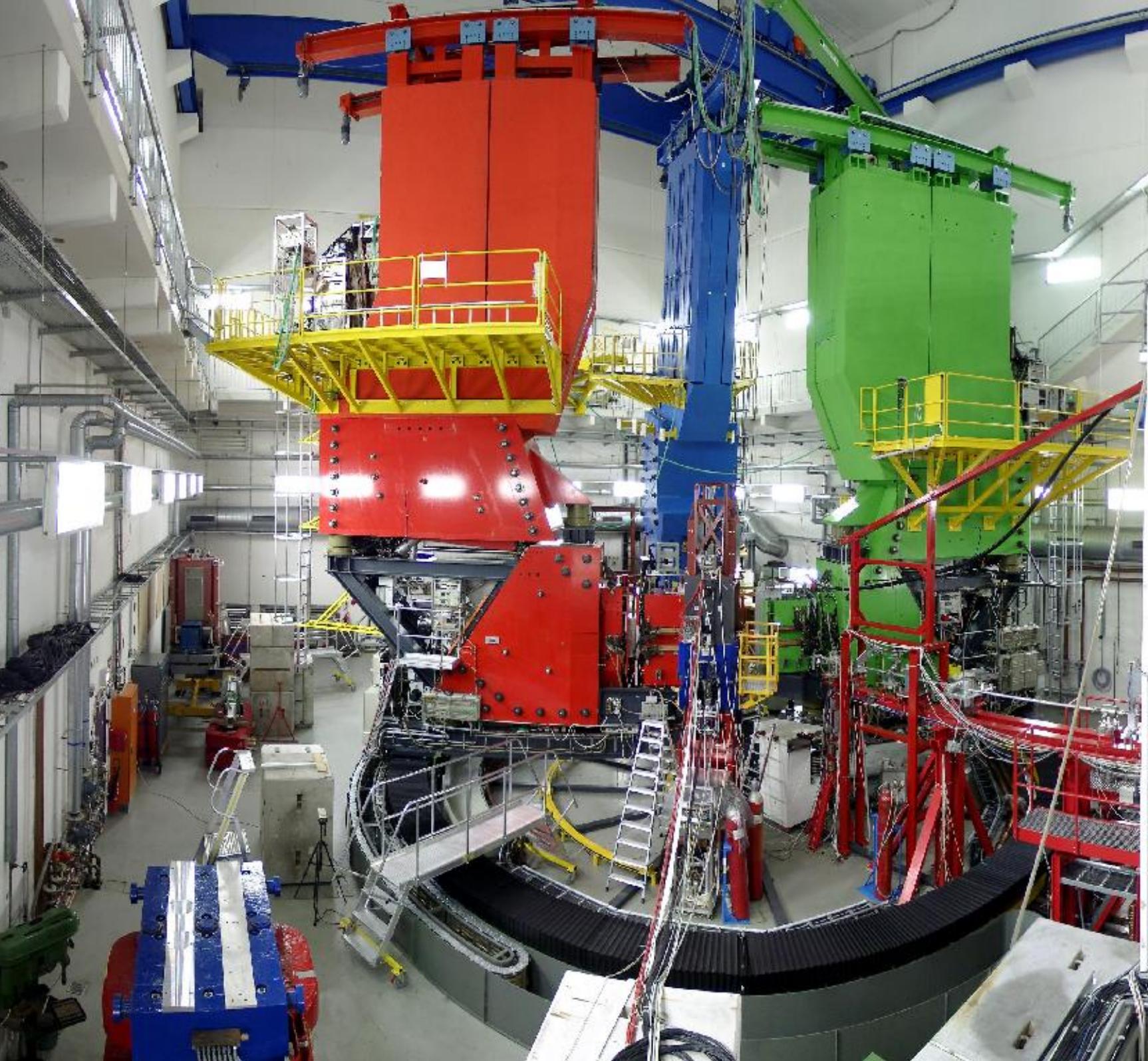
$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &> 20^\circ \\ p &< 735 \frac{\text{MeV}}{c} \\ \Delta\Omega &= 28 \text{ msr} \\ \Delta p/p &= 20\%\end{aligned}$$

Spectrometer B:

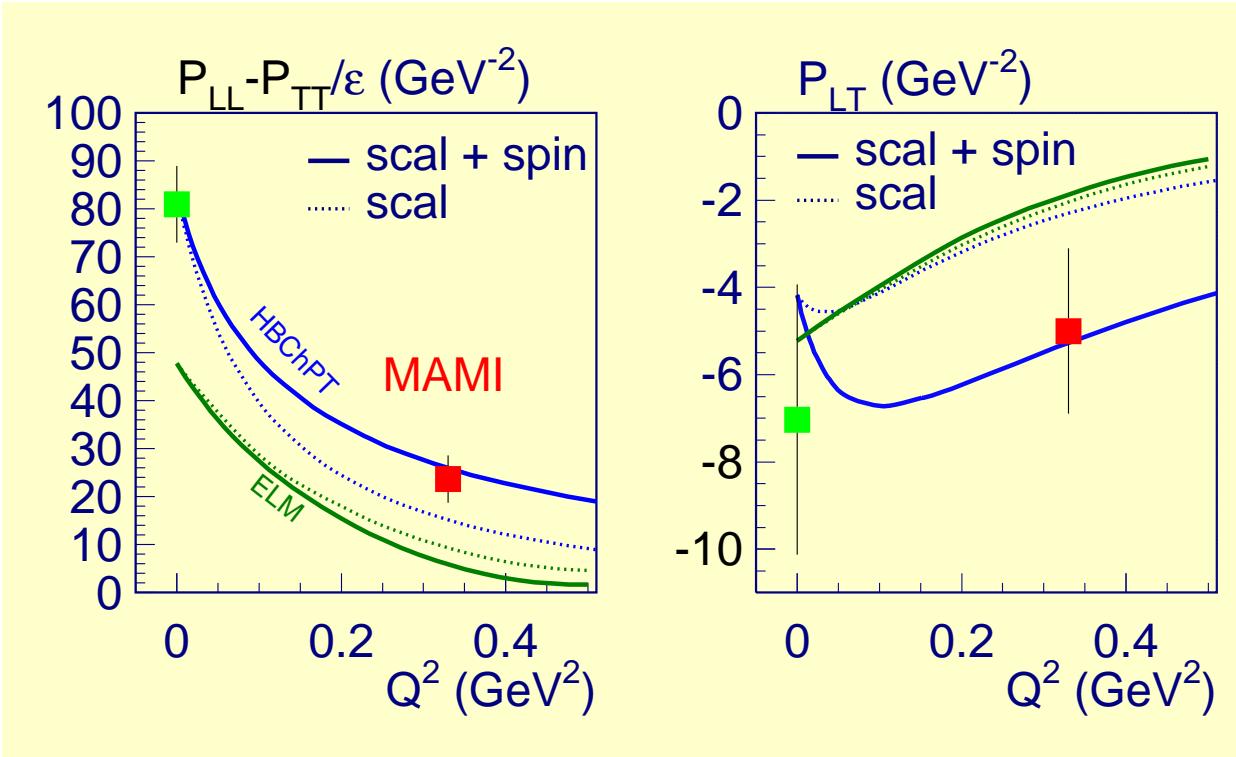
$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &> 8^\circ \\ p &< 870 \frac{\text{MeV}}{c} \\ \Delta\Omega &= 5.6 \text{ msr} \\ \Delta p/p &= 15\%\end{aligned}$$

Spectrometer C:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &> 55^\circ \\ p &< 655 \frac{\text{MeV}}{c} \\ \Delta\Omega &= 28 \text{ msr} \\ \Delta p/p &= 25\%\end{aligned}$$



# Results unpolarized VCS at $Q^2 = 0.33, \varepsilon = 0.62$

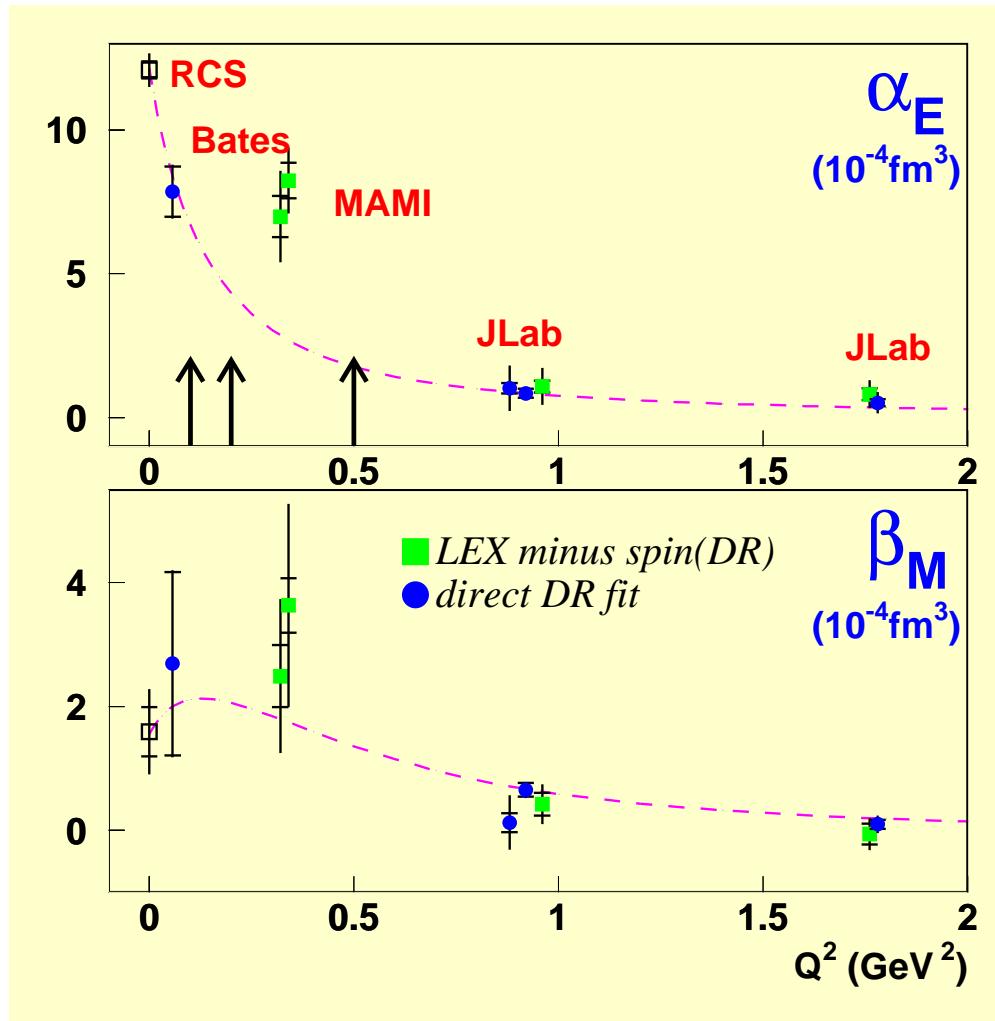


	$P_{LL}(Q^2) - \frac{1}{\varepsilon}P_{TT}(Q^2)$ [GeV $^{-2}$ ]	$P_{LT}(Q^2)$ [GeV $^{-2}$ ]
MAMI	$23.7 \pm 2.2 \pm 4.3$	$-5.0 \pm 0.8 \pm 1.8$
HBChPT	26.0	-5.3
ELM	5.9	-1.9
LSM	11.5	0.0
NRCQM1	11.1	-3.5
NRCQM2	14.9	-4.5

- V. Olmos de Leon *et al.*, EPJ A **10** 207-215 (2001)
- J. Roche *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett **85**, 4 708 (2000)

- HBChPT** Heavy Baryon Chiral Perturbation Theory  
 Th. Hemmert, et al.  
 Phys. Rev. Lett. **79** (1997), D **55** (1997)  
  
**ELM** Effective Lagrangian Model  
 M. Vanderhaeghen, Phys. Lett. **B 368** (1996)  
  
**LSM** Linear Sigma Model  
 A. Metz, D. Drechsel,  
 Z. Phys. **A356** (1996), A **359** (1997)  
  
**NRCQM1** Non Relativistic Constituent Quark Model  
 G. Q. Liu, et al. Aust. J. Phys. **49** (1996)  
  
**NRCQM2** Non Relativistic Constituent Quark Model  
 B. Pasquini, et al., Phys. Rev. C **63** 025205 (2001)

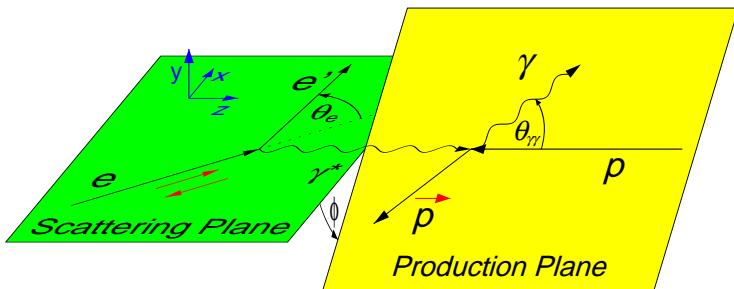
# Results on Polarizabilities $\alpha$ and $\beta$



- DR: Extraction of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  with Dispersion Relations
- LEX: Low Energy Expansion
- Proposal MAMI-A1-1-09:  $Q^2 = 0.1, 0.2, 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2$

# Beam-Recoil Polarization

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$$P_{x,y,z} = \frac{d^5\sigma^{\uparrow\uparrow} + d^5\sigma^{\downarrow\downarrow} - d^5\sigma^{\uparrow\downarrow} - d^5\sigma^{\downarrow\uparrow}}{d^5\sigma^{\uparrow\uparrow} + d^5\sigma^{\downarrow\downarrow} + d^5\sigma^{\uparrow\downarrow} + d^5\sigma^{\downarrow\uparrow}} = \frac{d^5\sigma^{h\uparrow} - d^5\sigma^{h\downarrow}}{2 d^5\sigma}$$

$$\Delta d^5\sigma_{x,y,z}^h = \Delta d^5\sigma_{x,y,z}^{BH+Born} + \phi q' \Delta \Psi_0^{x,y,z} + \phi O(q'^2)$$


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$$\begin{aligned}\Psi_0 &= v_1(\mathbf{P}_{\text{LL}} - \mathbf{P}_{\text{TT}}/\epsilon) + v_2 \mathbf{P}_{\text{LT}} \\ \Delta \Psi_0^z &= 4 h [v_1^z \mathbf{P}_{\text{TT}} + v_2^z \mathbf{P}_{\text{LT}}^z + v_3^z \mathbf{P}'^z_{\text{LT}}] \\ \Delta \Psi_0^x &= 4 h [v_1^x \mathbf{P}_{\text{LT}}^\perp + v_2^x \mathbf{P}_{\text{TT}}^\perp + v_3^x \mathbf{P}'^\perp_{\text{TT}} + v_4^x \mathbf{P}'^\perp_{\text{LT}}] \\ \Delta \Psi_0^y &= 4 h [v_1^y \mathbf{P}_{\text{LT}}^\perp + v_2^y \mathbf{P}_{\text{TT}}^\perp + v_3^y \mathbf{P}'^\perp_{\text{TT}} + v_4^y \mathbf{P}'^\perp_{\text{LT}}]\end{aligned}$$


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$$\mathbf{P}_{\text{LL}} = a \mathbf{P}^{\text{C1} \rightarrow \text{E1}}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{\text{TT}} = c_1 \mathbf{P}^{\text{M1} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} + c_2 \mathbf{P}^{\text{M2} \rightarrow \text{E1(S)}}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{\text{LT}} = b \mathbf{P}^{\text{M1} \rightarrow \text{M1}} + c_3 \left[ \mathbf{P}^{\text{C0} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} + d_1 \mathbf{P}^{\text{C2} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} \right]$$

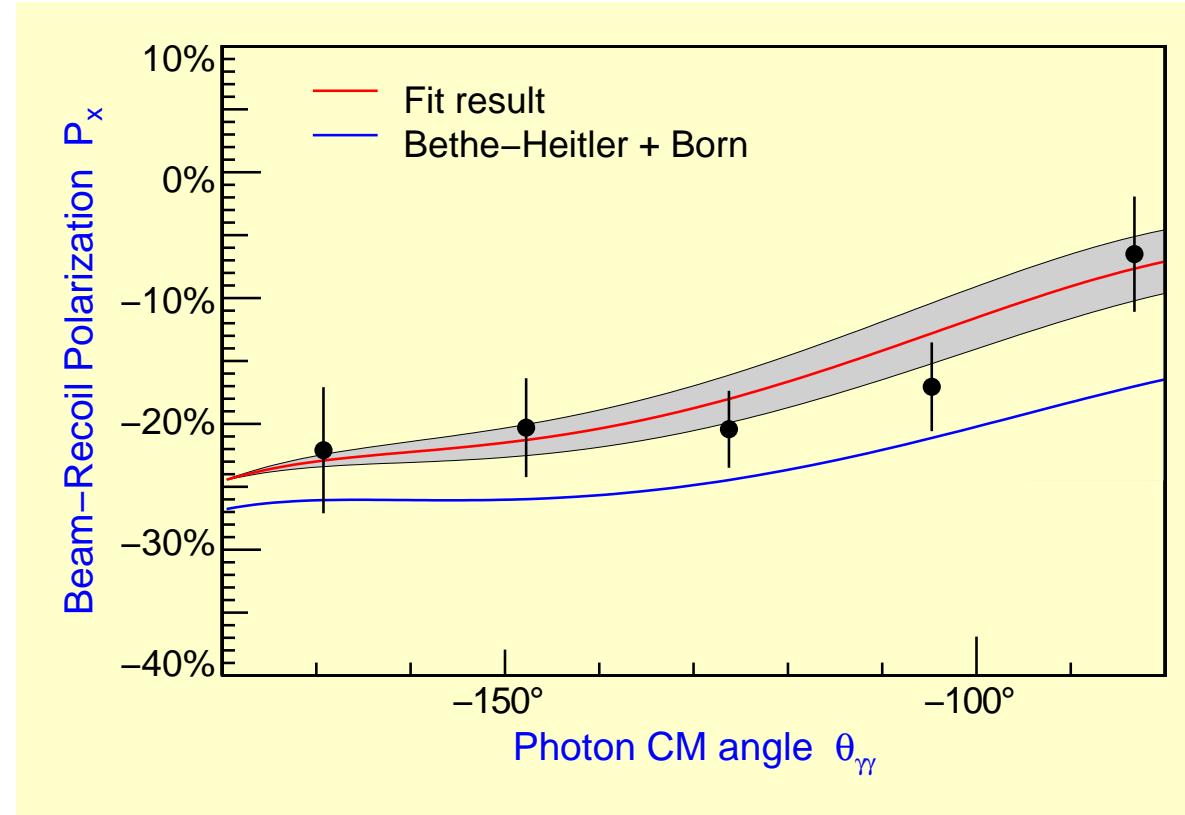
$$\mathbf{P}_{\text{LT}}^z = c_4 \mathbf{P}^{\text{M1} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} + c_3 \left[ \mathbf{P}^{\text{C0} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} + d_1 \mathbf{P}^{\text{C2} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{P}'^z_{\text{LT}} = c_5 \mathbf{P}^{\text{M1} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} + c_6 \left[ \mathbf{P}^{\text{C0} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} + d_1 \mathbf{P}^{\text{C2} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{P}'^\perp_{\text{LT}} = \left[ d_2 \mathbf{P}^{\text{C0} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} + d_3 \mathbf{P}^{\text{C2} \rightarrow \text{M1(S)}} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow$  Out-of-Plane measurement to access  $P'^\perp_{LT}$

# Double Polarized virtual Compton Scattering



	Structure Function (GeV $^{-2}$ )	HB $\chi$ PT (GeV $^{-2}$ )
$P_{LL} - P_{TT}/\epsilon$	$25.6 \pm 2.9 \pm 2.8$	26.3
$P_{LT}$	$-5.0 \pm 1.1 \pm 2.1$	-5.5
$P_{LT}^\perp$	$-14.2 \pm 2.8 \pm 2.2$	-10.7

Data: L. Doria *et al.*, in preparation

HBChPT: C.-W. Kao *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D 70 (2004) 114004

# Threshold Pion Photo- and Electroproduction

# Motivation: Threshold Pion Photo-/Electroproduction

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- ➊ Clean test of Chiral dynamics with **heavy baryons**

- ▶ Photo-/Electroproduction  $\Rightarrow$  well known initial state
- ▶  $\pi^+$  dominated by Kroll-Rudermann-Term  $\Rightarrow \gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 p$
- ▶ Experiments close to production threshold  $\Rightarrow s$ - and  $p$ -waves

$$\sigma(\theta) = \frac{q}{k} (A + B \cdot \cos \theta + C \cdot \cos^2 \theta)$$

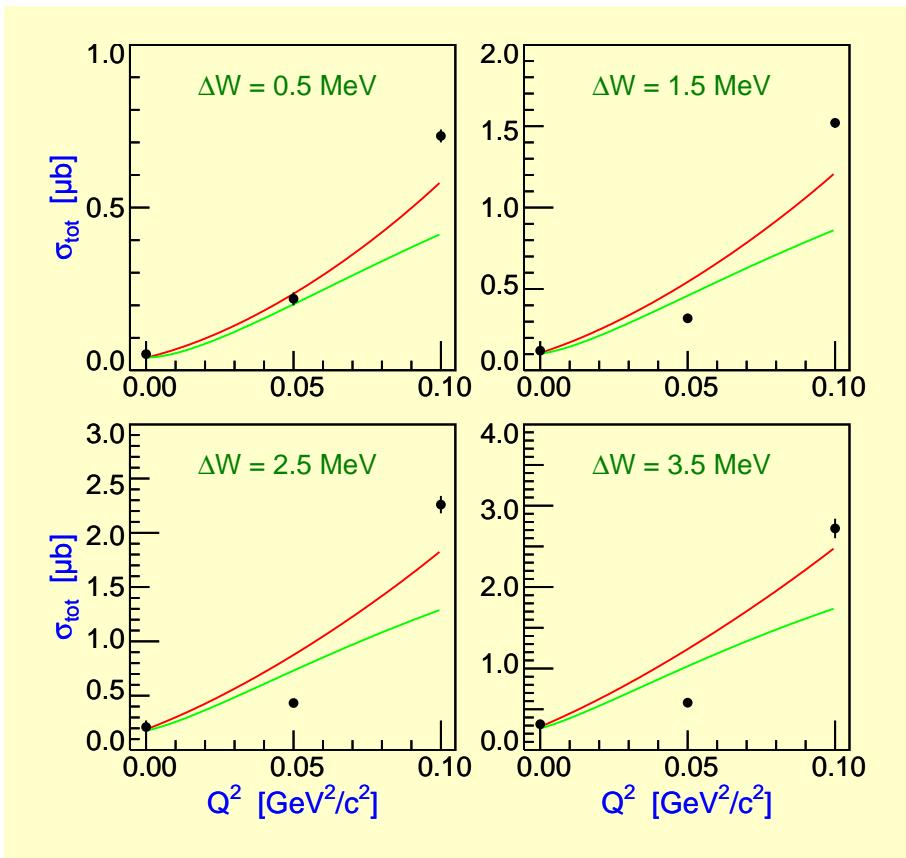
$$A = E_{0+}^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{P}_2^2 + \mathbf{P}_3^2) \quad B = 2 \cdot \text{Re}(E_{0+} \mathbf{P}_1^*) \quad C = \mathbf{P}_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{P}_2^2 + \mathbf{P}_3^2)$$

- ▶ Known energy dependence for  $p$ -waves
- ▶ Electroproduction  $\Rightarrow$  additional longitudinal multipoles

- ➋ Physics addressed:

- ▶  $p$ -waves: fast converging in HBChPT  $\rightarrow p$ -wave low energy theorem
- ▶  $s$ -waves: cusp effect of  $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ n \rightarrow \pi^0 p$  rescattering
- ▶ Convergence in photon virtuality  $Q^2$

# Open Problem $Q^2$ Dependence



— HBChPT, V. Bernard *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. A 607 (1996) 379-401

— MAID, D. Drechsel *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. A645 (1999) 145-174

- A. Schmidt *et al.*,  $Q^2 = 0$   
H.M. *et al.*,  $Q^2 = 0.05 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{c}^2$   
M.O. Distler *et al.*,  $Q^2 = 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{c}^2$

➊ Statistical error only

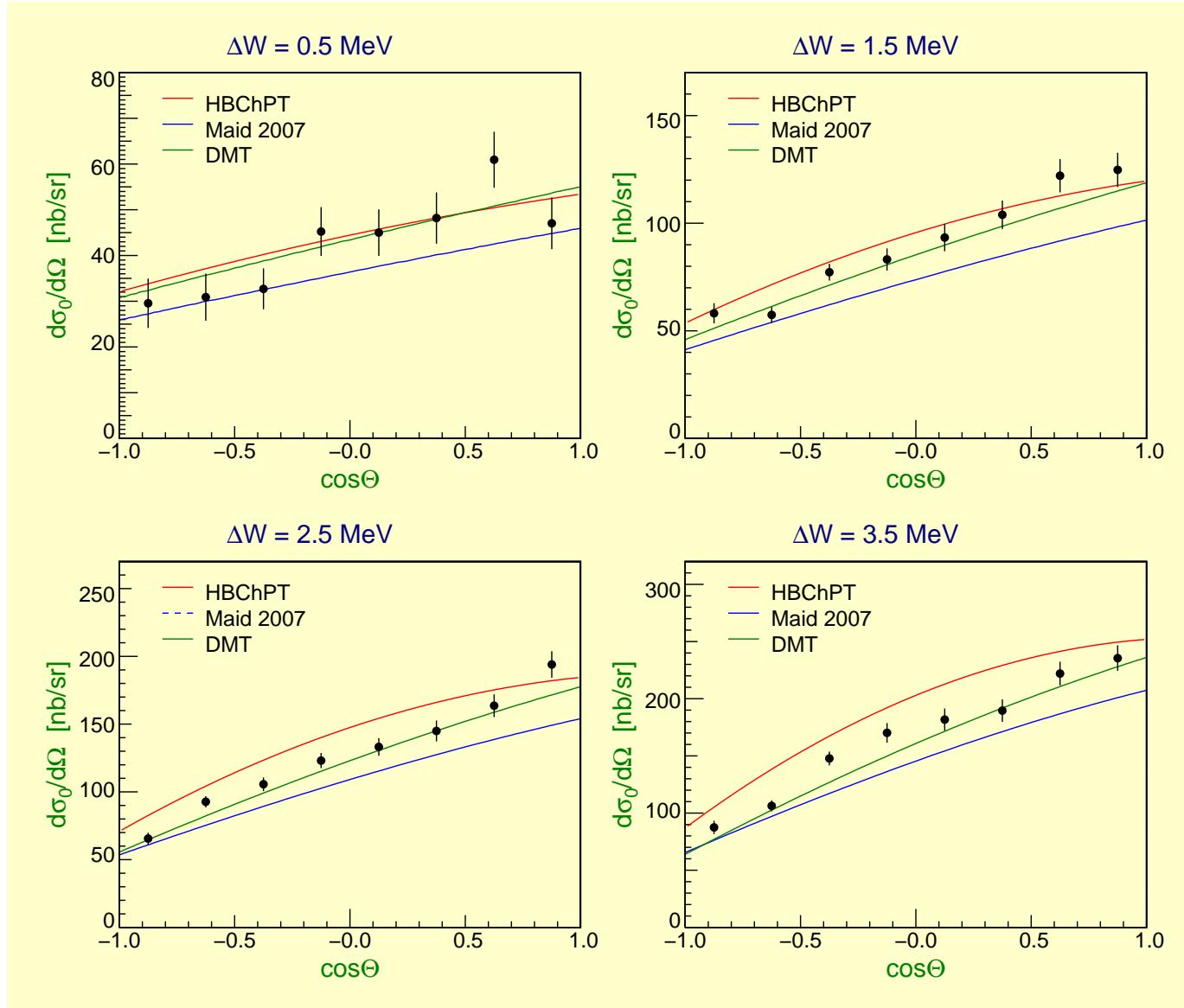
➋ Rapid variation with  $Q^2$  possible?

▶ Separate measurements at different  $Q^2$

▶ Data dominated by systematic error

⇒ Check with 1. improved systematics  
2. consistent  $Q^2$  coverage

# $\pi^0$ Threshold Production (Angular dependence)



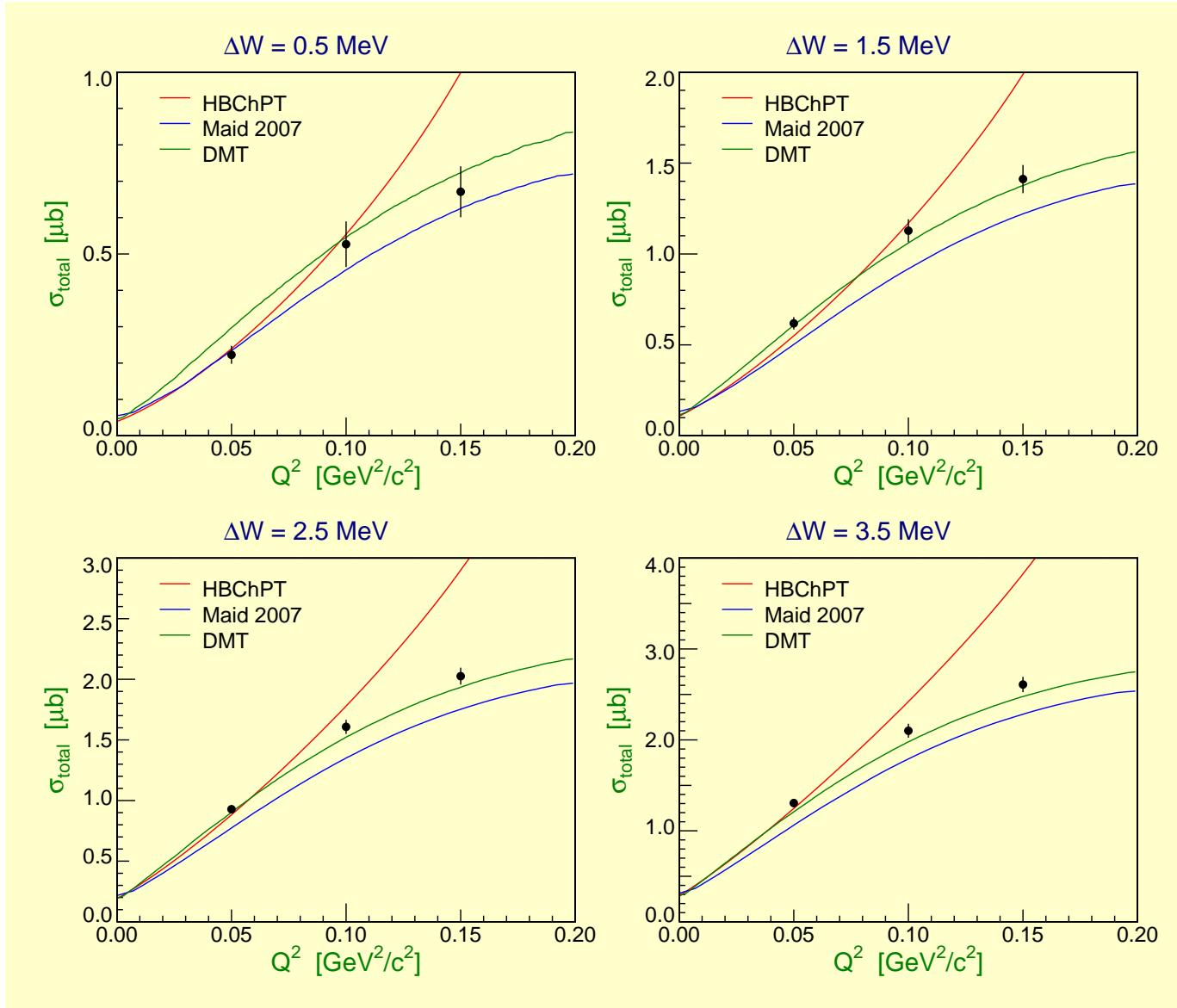
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MAID: D. Drechsel *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. A645 (1999) 145-174, 2007 fit

DMT: S.S. Kamalov *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 83, (1999) 4494, Phys. Rev. C 64 (2001) 032201

# $Q^2$ Dependence of $\pi^0$ Threshold Production



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HBChPT: V. Bernard, N. Kaiser, U.-G. Meißner, Phys. Lett. **B 378**, 337 (1996) (fit to old data, new fit would improve agreement!!!)

MAID: D. Drechsel *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. A645 (1999) 145-174, 2007 fit

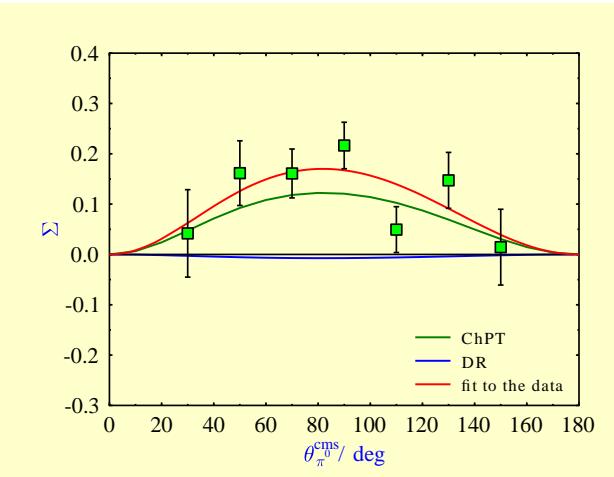
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# Meson Threshold Production – Current and Future Experiments

## Polarized Beam Asymmetry:

$$\sigma(\theta, \phi) = \sigma(\theta) (1 - P_\gamma \cdot \Sigma(\theta) \cdot \cos 2\phi)$$

- High statistics experiment
- Analysis in progress



A. Schmidt *et al.*, PRL 87, 232501 (2001)

## Transverse Polarized Target

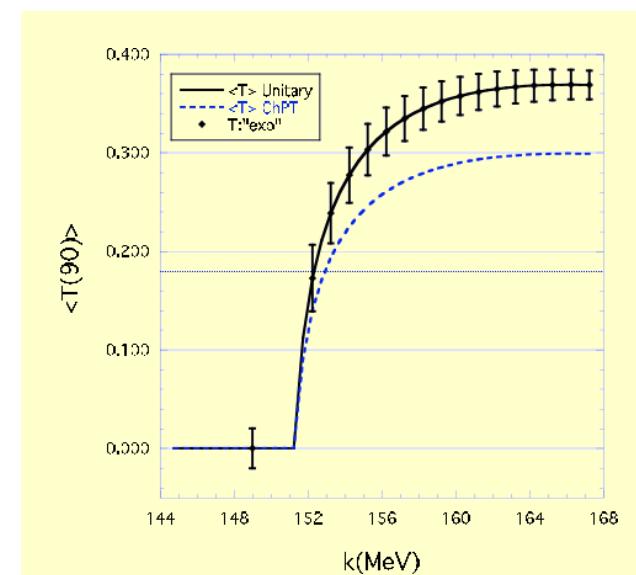
- Target Asymmetry  $T$

$$T \Rightarrow \text{Im}E_{0+} \Rightarrow a_{cex}(\pi^+ n \rightarrow \pi^0 p)$$

- Beam-Target-Asymmetry

$F \Rightarrow$  Test of  $d$ -wave contribution

→ C. Fernández-Ramírez



## Kaon Production $\gamma^* p \rightarrow K + \Lambda, K + \Sigma$

- $SU(3)$
- $K^*$  exchange in  $t$ -channel  $\Rightarrow$  electroproduction
- Coupled channels ...

# Summary

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## ● $\eta, \eta'$ Decays

- ▶ Slope parameter  $\alpha$
- ▶ Rescattering Cusp in Dalitz plot
- ▶ High statistics in the next years

## ● Nucleon Polarizabilities

- ▶  $Q^2$  Dependence in Virtual Compton Scattering
- ▶ Polarization Experiments
- ▶ Spin Polarizabilities in Real Compton Scattering

## ● Threshold Pion Photo-/Electroproduction

- ▶ Stringent test of ChPT including Heavy Baryons
- ▶ Consistent  $Q^2$  evolution
- ▶ Photoproduction will be completed