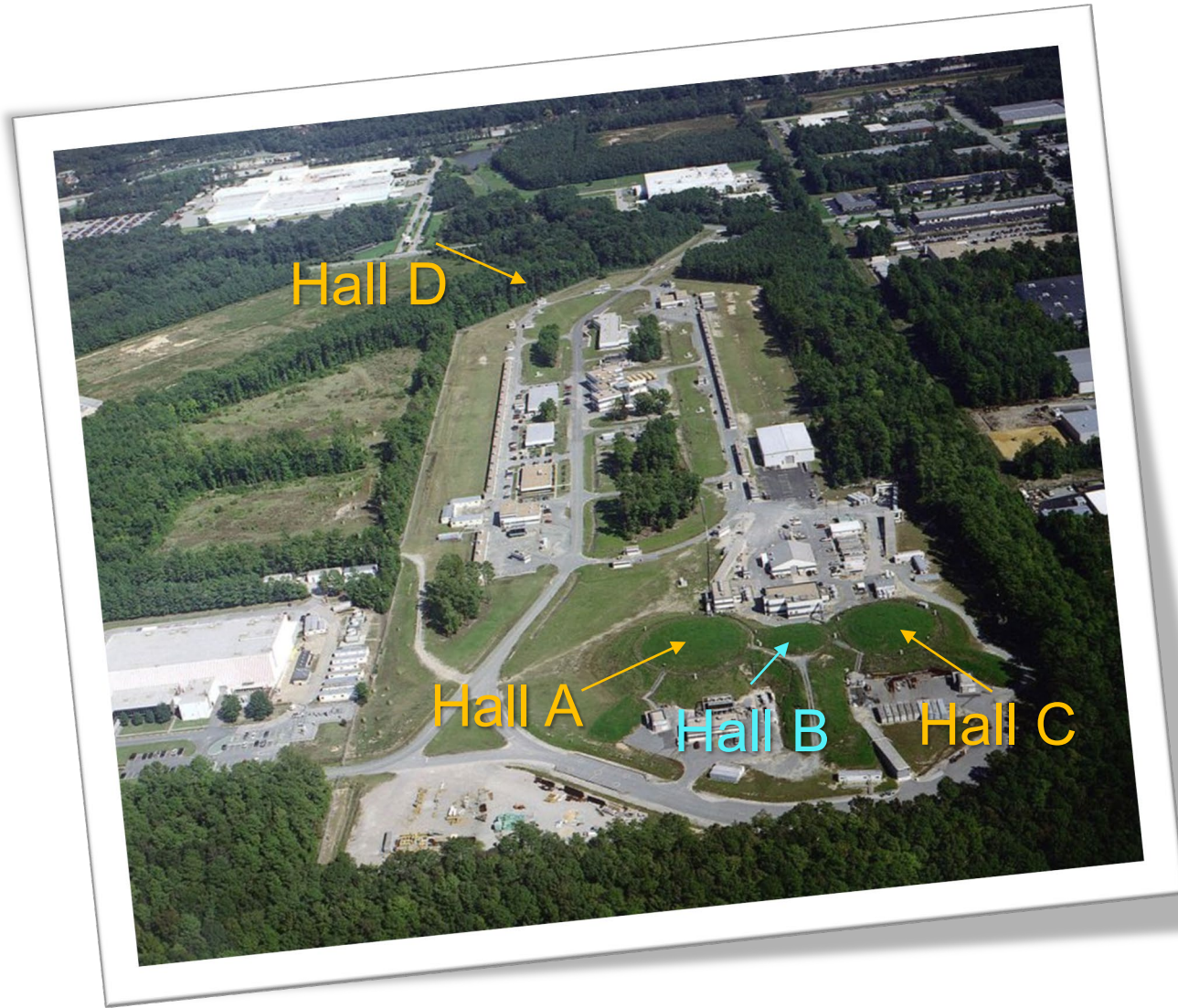# Spin observables in Deep Processes with CLAS12 at Jefferson Lab

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Jefferson Lab

- US Department of Energy funded research facility in Virginia

- Home to CEBAF (polarized electron accelerator) and 4 fixed target experimental halls

Newport News, VA

Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility (CEBAF)

Provides longitudinally polarized (~85%), high luminosity (up to 120μA) electron beams at 10.6 – 12 GeV to four experimental halls

Injector: *Circularly Pol. Light → GaAs photocathode → Polarized e⁻*

Transport: Spreaders/recombiners, arrays of arc dipoles
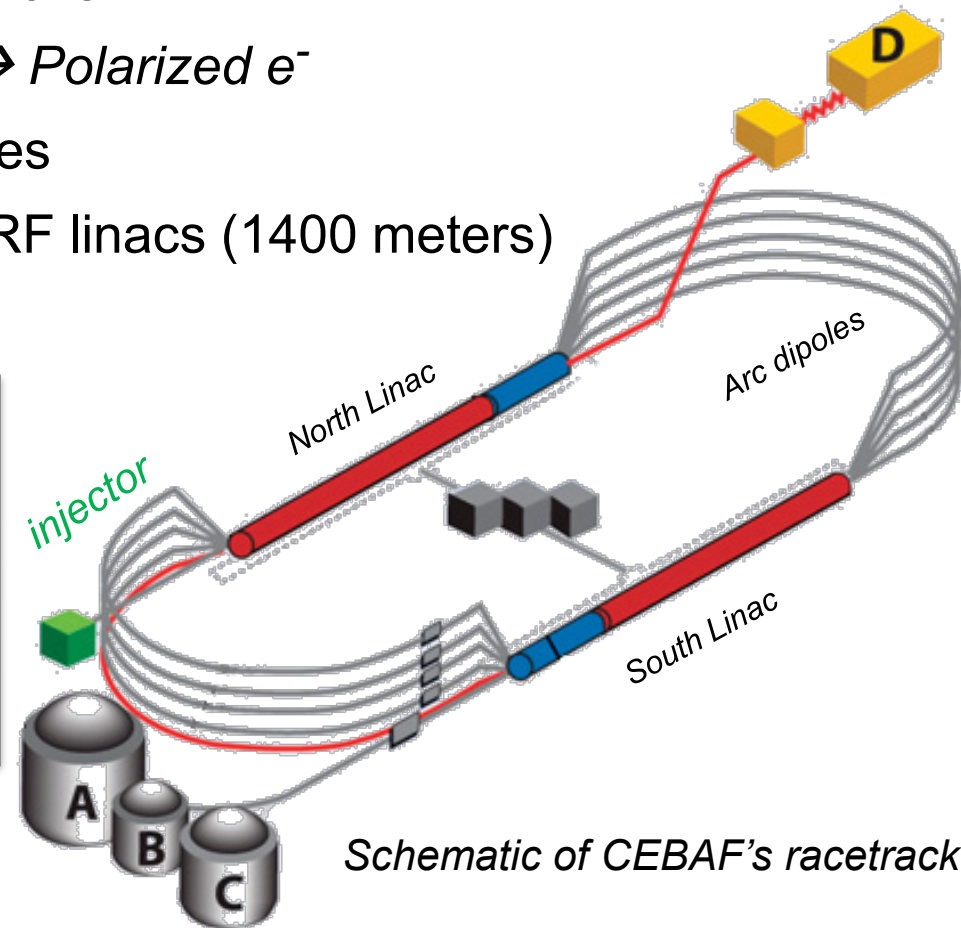
Acceleration: Liquid helium cooled, superconducting RF linacs (1400 meters)

Superconducting RF Linac
*(1.09 GeV per straight-away)*

Arc Dipoles

Schematic of CEBAF's racetrack

CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer (CLAS12)

- Wide coverage detector system capable of ranging particle ID (*e, p, n, γ, π, K*)
  - Near full coverage in azimuthal ϕ, $\sim 5° - 140°$ in lab scattering θ

- Fixed-target experiment **(RG-C is the first polarized target experiment at Hall-B in the 12 GeV era)**

- ~10.5 GeV, ~85% longitudinally polarized electron beam at maximum luminosity of 10^{35} cm^{-2}s^{-1}
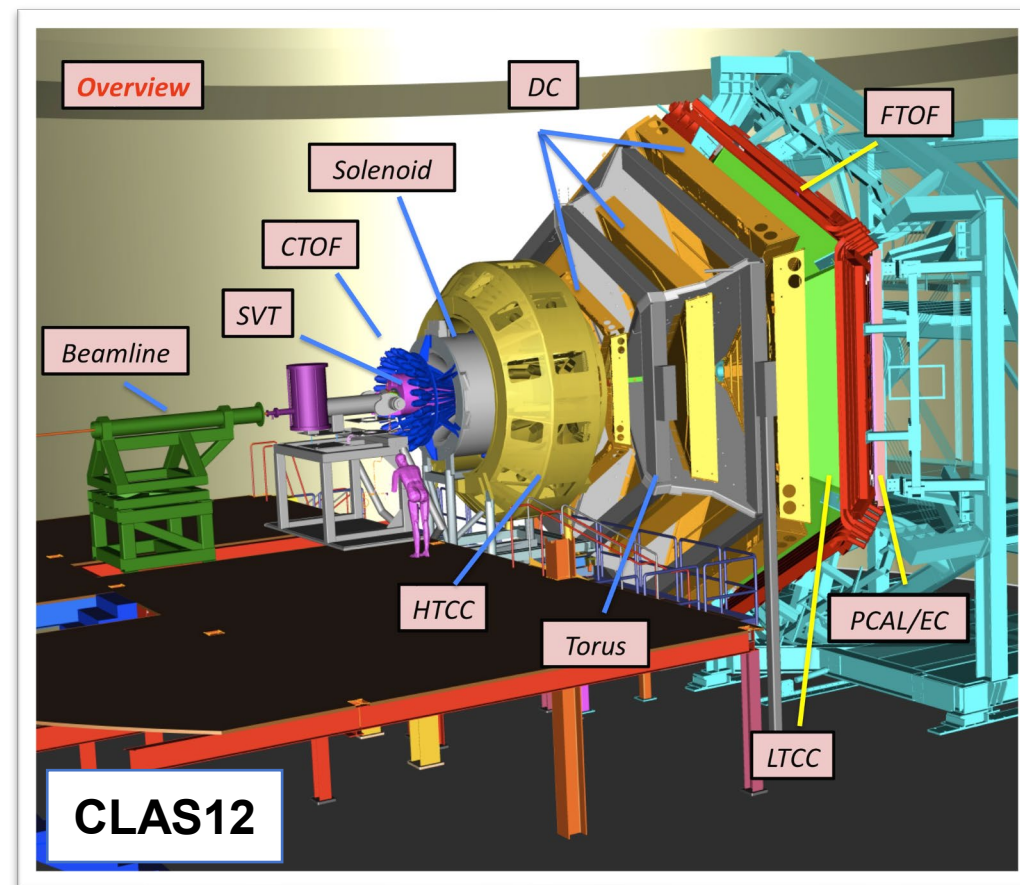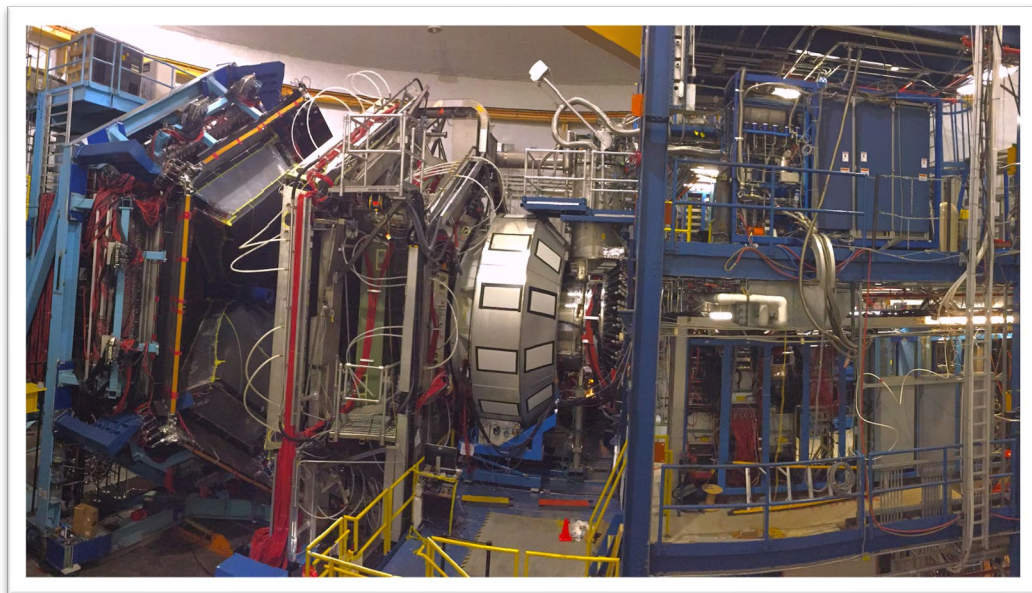
CLAS12 Detector System

Run Group C @ CLAS12

- Polarized fixed target experiment (June 2022 – March 2023)
  - Dynamically polarized **NH$_3$ (proton)** and **ND$_3$ (deuteron)** targets
  - Calibration targets **C**, **CH$_2$** and **CD$_2$**
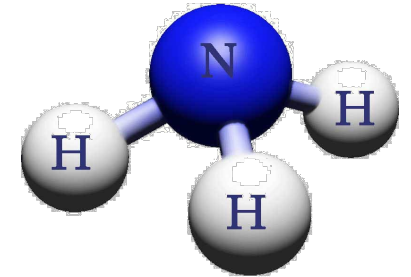
- <u>Physics Goals</u>

DIS inclusive and flavor-tagged **spin structure functions**

Semi-inclusive DIS (SIDIS) to access **Transverse Momentum Distributions** (TMDs), dihadron production and backward baryon production

Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS) & Timelike Compton Scattering (TCS) to access **Generalized Parton Distributions** (GPDs) - Measure target single and beam/target double spin asymmetries in proton and neutron DVCS.

⭐ Longitudinal beam & target polarizations

e

p/d
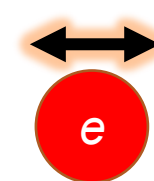
Spin direction changes every 33ms (CEBAF)
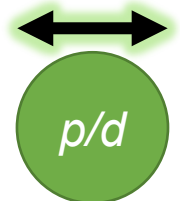
Polarization configurable run-by-run

List of RG-C Experiments

| Experiment Title	Key Observables	Preliminary
Longitudinal Spin Structure of the Nucleon	Polarized parton distributions, gluon helicity, higher twist	---
DVCS on the neutron with polarized deuterium target	Neutron Compton Form Factors	---
DVCS on longitudinally polarized proton target	Helicity dependent cross sections, upgrade precision and coverage of previous CLAS DVCS measurements	✓
Study of partonic distributions using SIDIS K production	Hadron multiplicities, flavor decomposition of nucleon spin dependent quark PDFs	---
Spin-Orbit Correlations with longitudinally polarized target	Transverse momentum dependence of valence quark T/L spin distributions, pion SIDIS	✓
Spin-Orbit correlations in K production with polarized targets	Strange sea p_T distributions, kaon SIDIS (complement above)	---
Studies of Dihadron Electroproduction in DIS with Longitudinally Polarized Hydrogen and Deuterium Targets	Spin-orbit correlations in hadronization, dihadron fragmentation functions, fracture functions, twist-3 PDFs	---
Studies of Single Baryon Production in the Target Fragmentation Region with a Longitudinally Polarized Target	Fracture functions, separation of current/target hadronization	✓

RG-C Experimental Configuration

- Standard CLAS12 forward detectors ($5° < \theta < 35°$)
  - ❖ **NEW** 2nd azimuthal sector RICH detector installed

- Two beam current configurations
  - *(~4-4.5 months)* **4nA:** Forward tagger installed ($2° < \theta < 5°$) for low angle e, γ reconstruction → low Q^2, widen DVCS coverage
  - *(~3 months)* **8nA:** Forward tagger removed, additional $e^- e^-$ scattering Moller shield installed

- Target raster system
  - Minimizes local depolarization of target
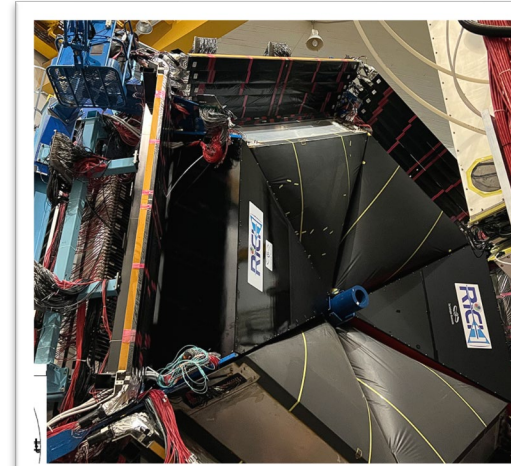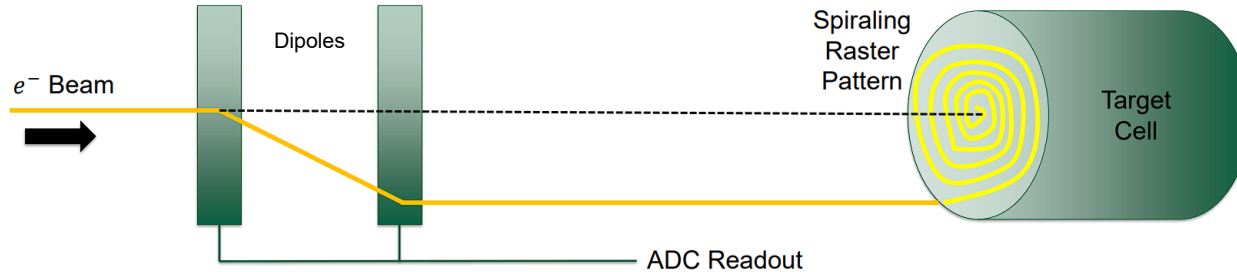
(Left) Back view of two installed CLAS12 RICH sectors

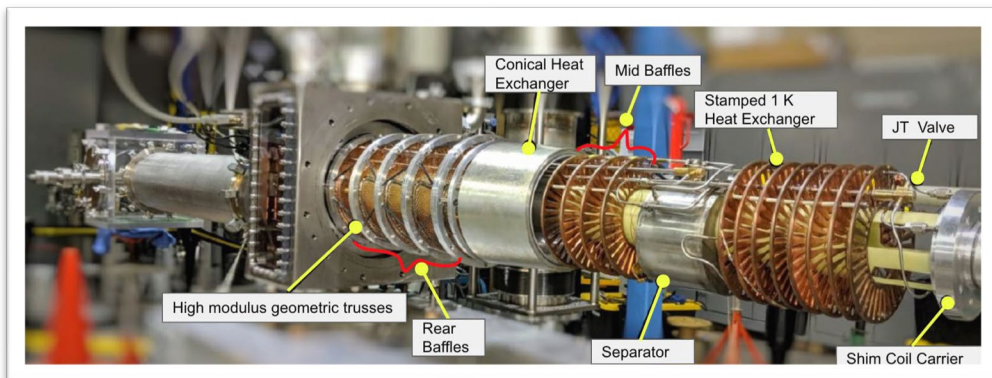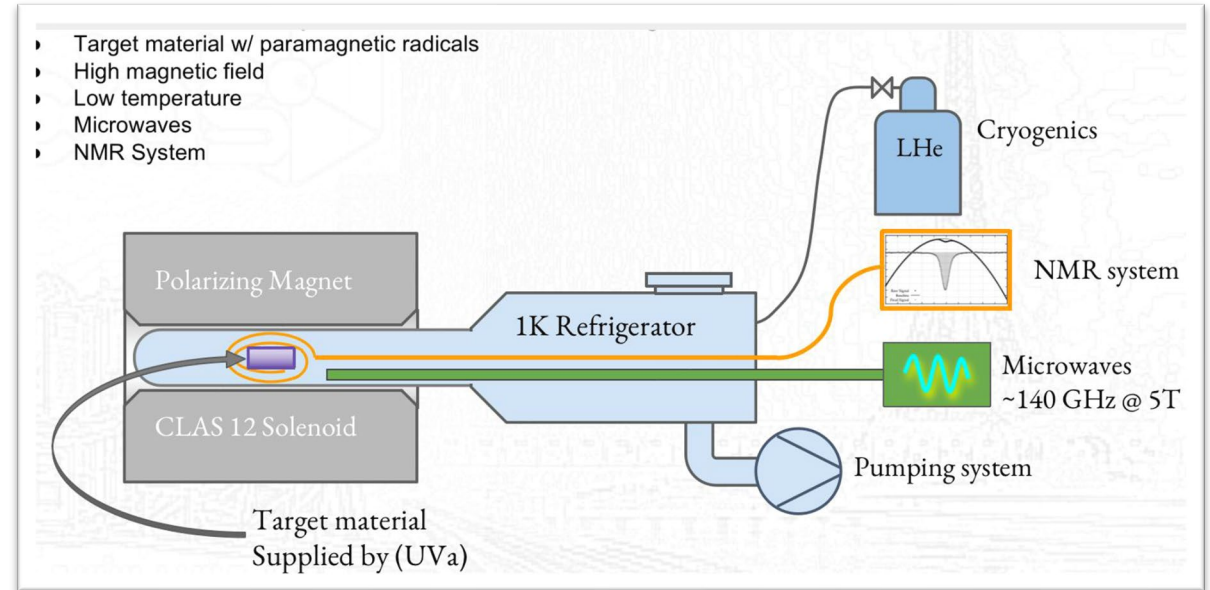*(Bottom) Schematic of the CLAS12 forward tagger*

e^- Beam

Dipoles

Spiraling Raster Pattern

Target Cell

ADC Readout
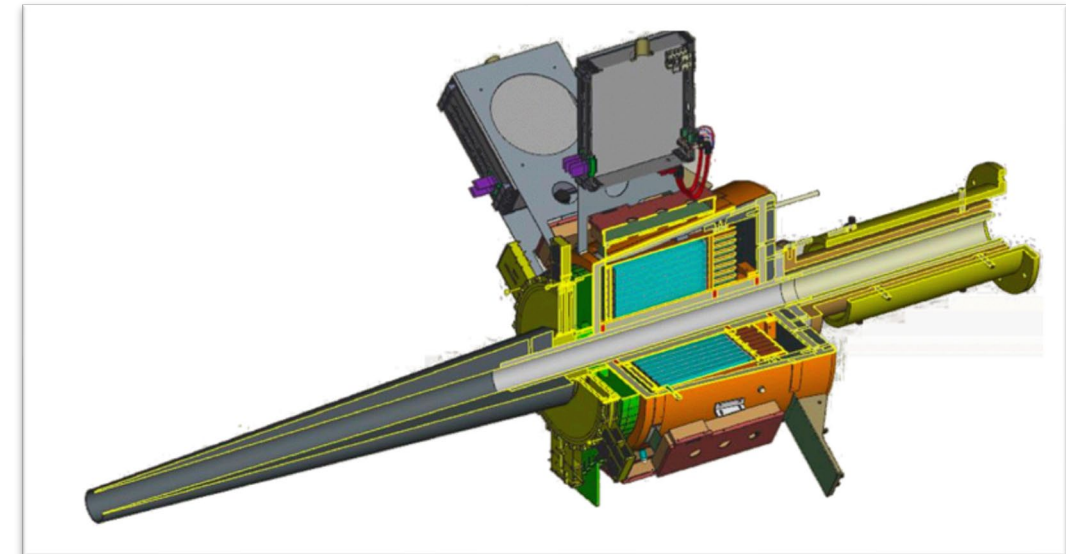
RG-C's Polarized Target

Provides longitudinally polarized p and d

Design Features

- 1K Refrigerator Trolley with swappable 5cm long target cartridges

- Target embedded within a 5T solenoid magnet

- 140GHz μwave waveguide cavity to provide Dynamic Nuclear Polarization (DNP)

- Nested NMR system for live target polarization readings

- Target material w/ paramagnetic radicals
- High magnetic field
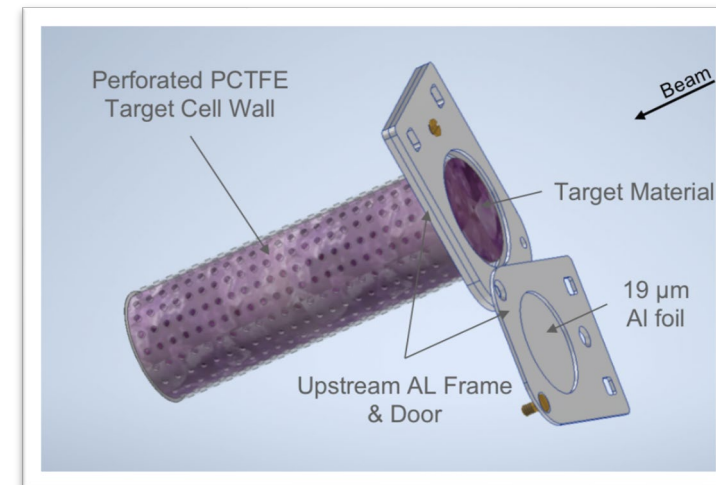- Low temperature
- Microwaves
- NMR System

RG-C's Polarized Target

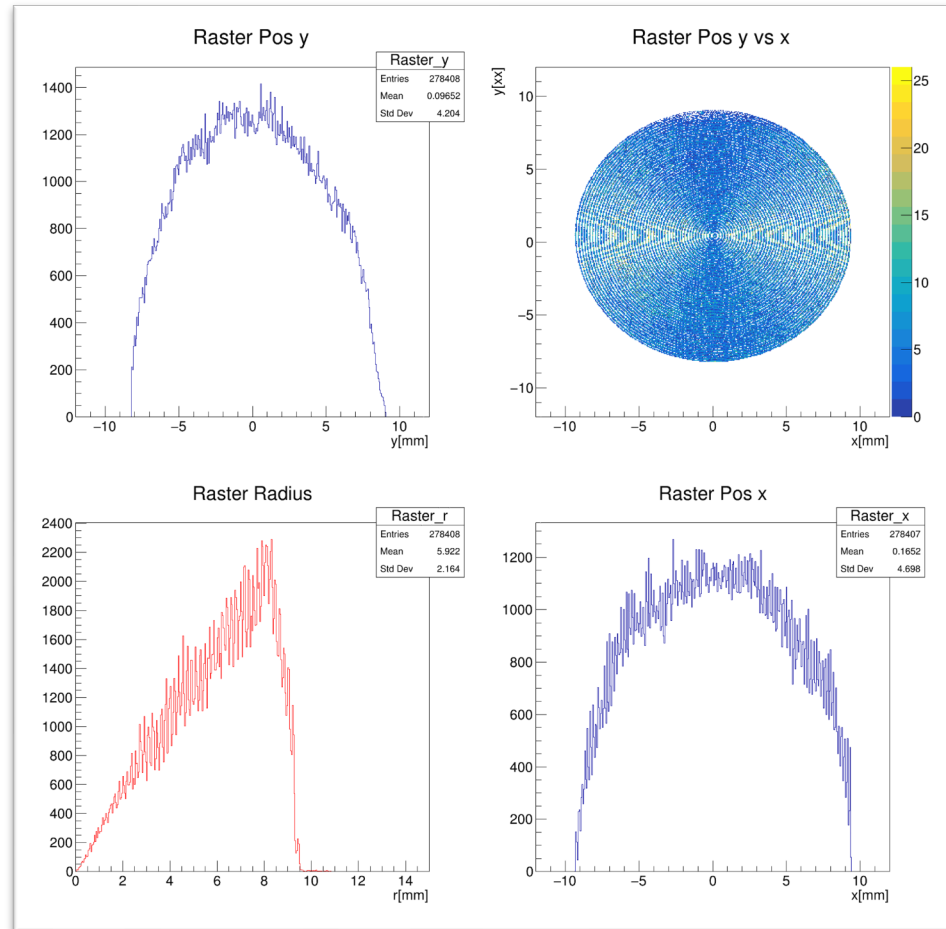Solid target cells kept in 80K liquid Argon bath (Ammonia freezes at 195.5K

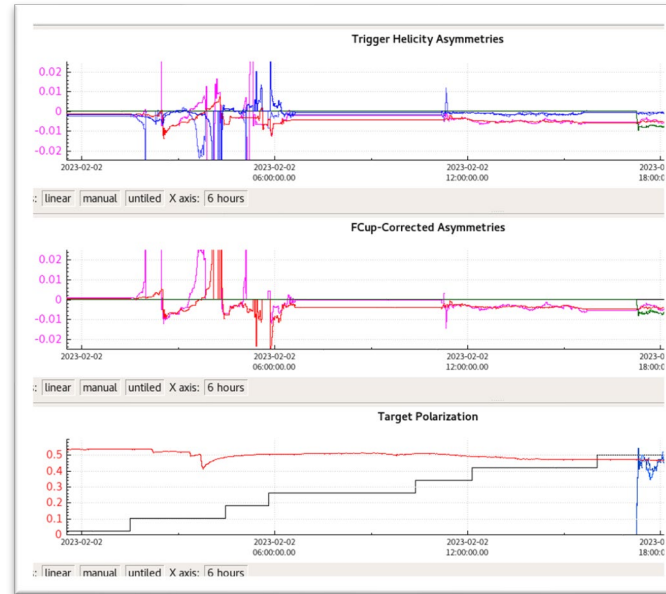- Crushed pellet-sized beads
- Perforated cell walls

Heat removal

Ammonia beads sent by collaborators at University of Virginia (UVa)

Perforated PCTFE Target Cell Wall

Beam

Target Material

19 µm Al foil

Upstream AL Frame & Door

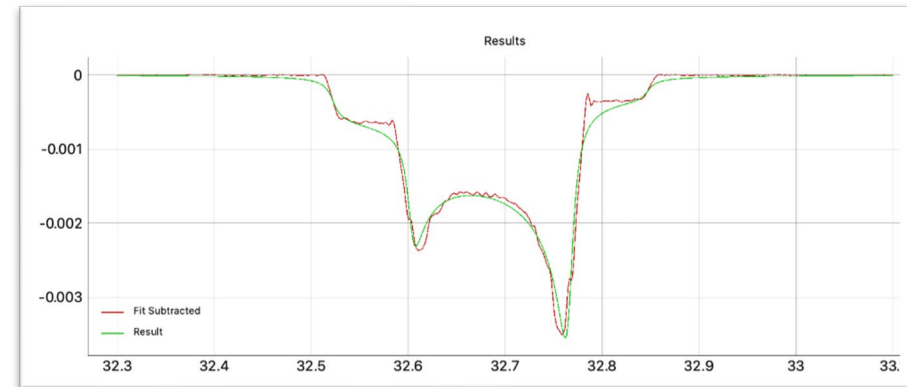# New Online Monitoring Tools

Live updating raster monitoring

Scattered e^- trigger asymmetries

Accumulated beam charge asymmetries
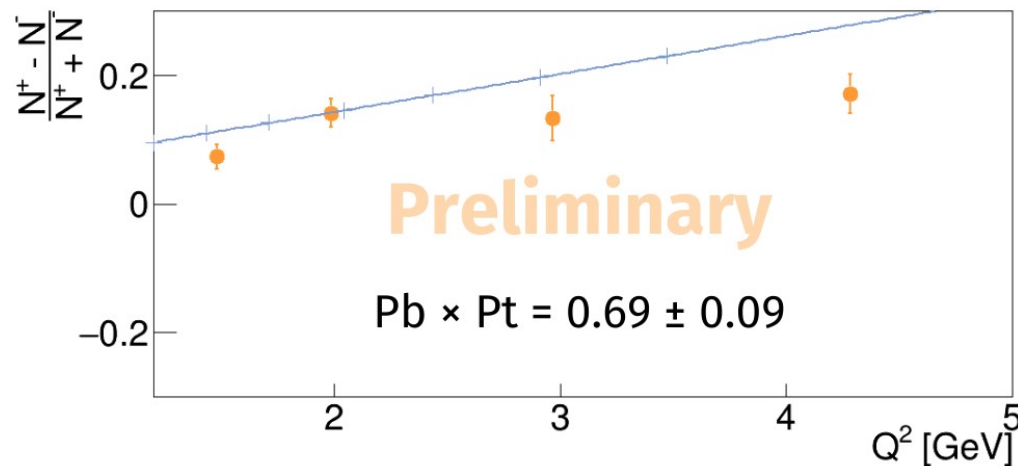
NMR Target Polarization monitoring

NMR software measuring d polarization

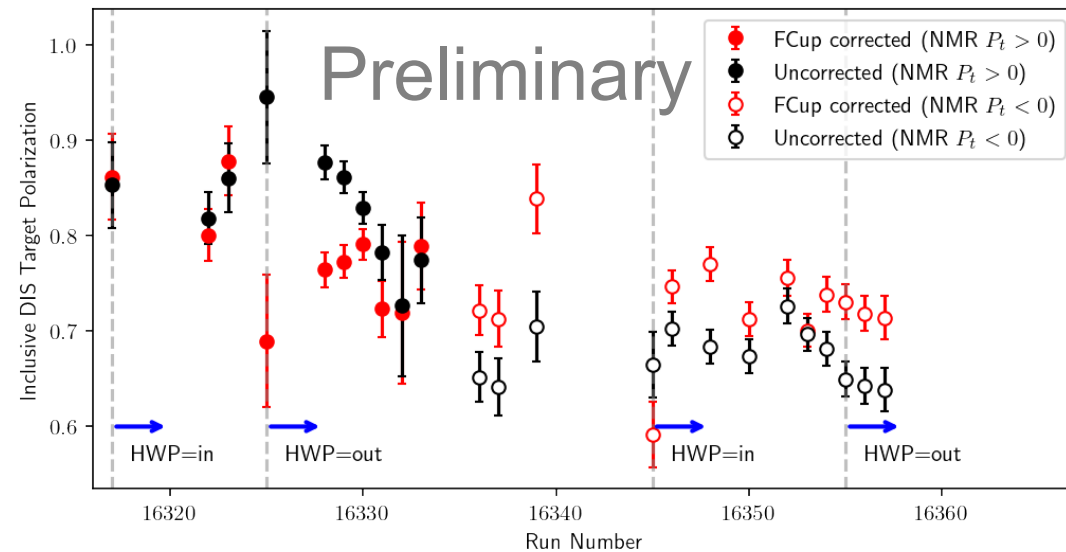# Near-Online Polarization Monitoring

Challenge: NMR unable to measure full target volume's polarization

Solution: Monitor polarization with predicted asymmetries in DIS & Elastic scattering

- Determination of dilution factors
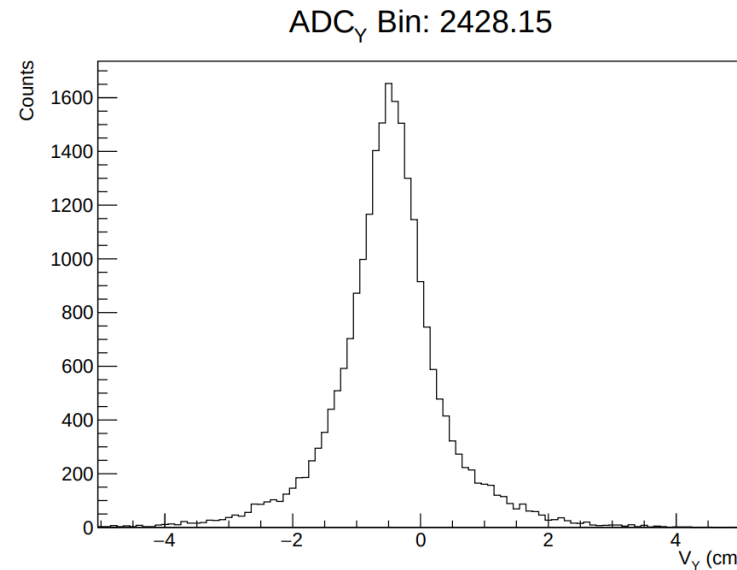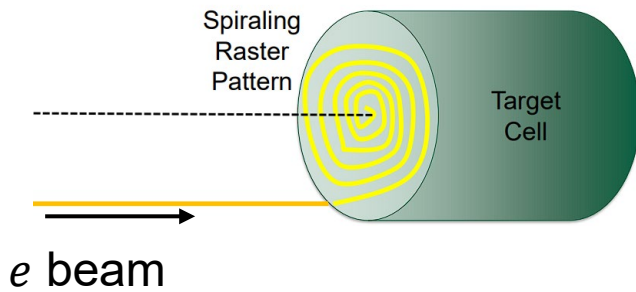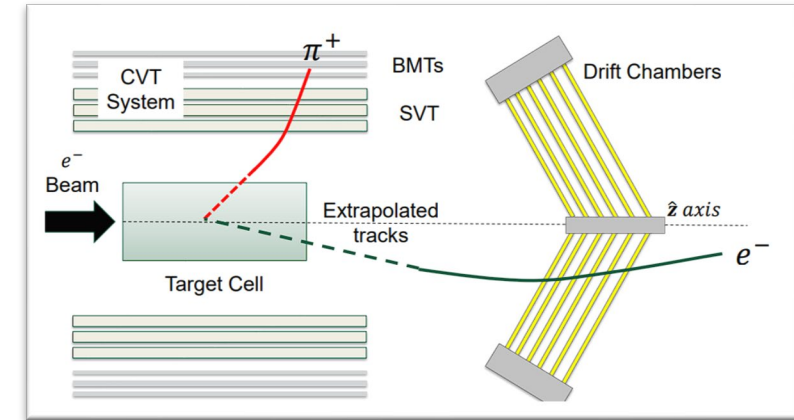- Corrections for beam charge asymmetries

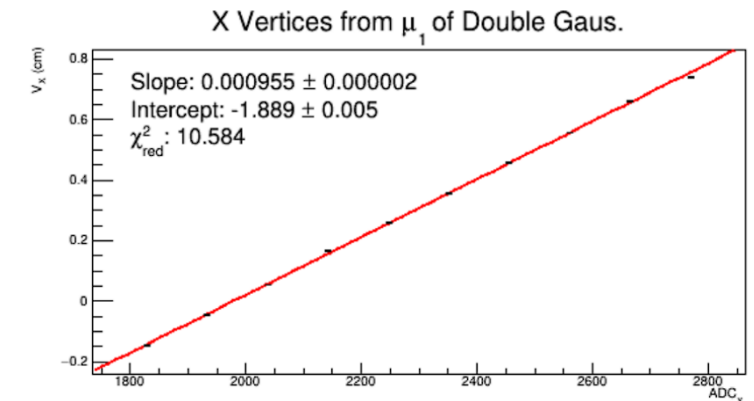*Elastic scattering asymmetries from NH$_3$ (N. Pilleux)*

Deep inelastic scattering asymmetries from NH$_3$ (G. Matousek)

Target Raster Calibration

- Analyze extrapolated track vertices and raster $ADC_{x,y}$

- Look at multiple track species (e, π) and detector subsystems (forward, central)

- ** *Determine event-by-event beam position in xy-plane for future analyses to utilize* **
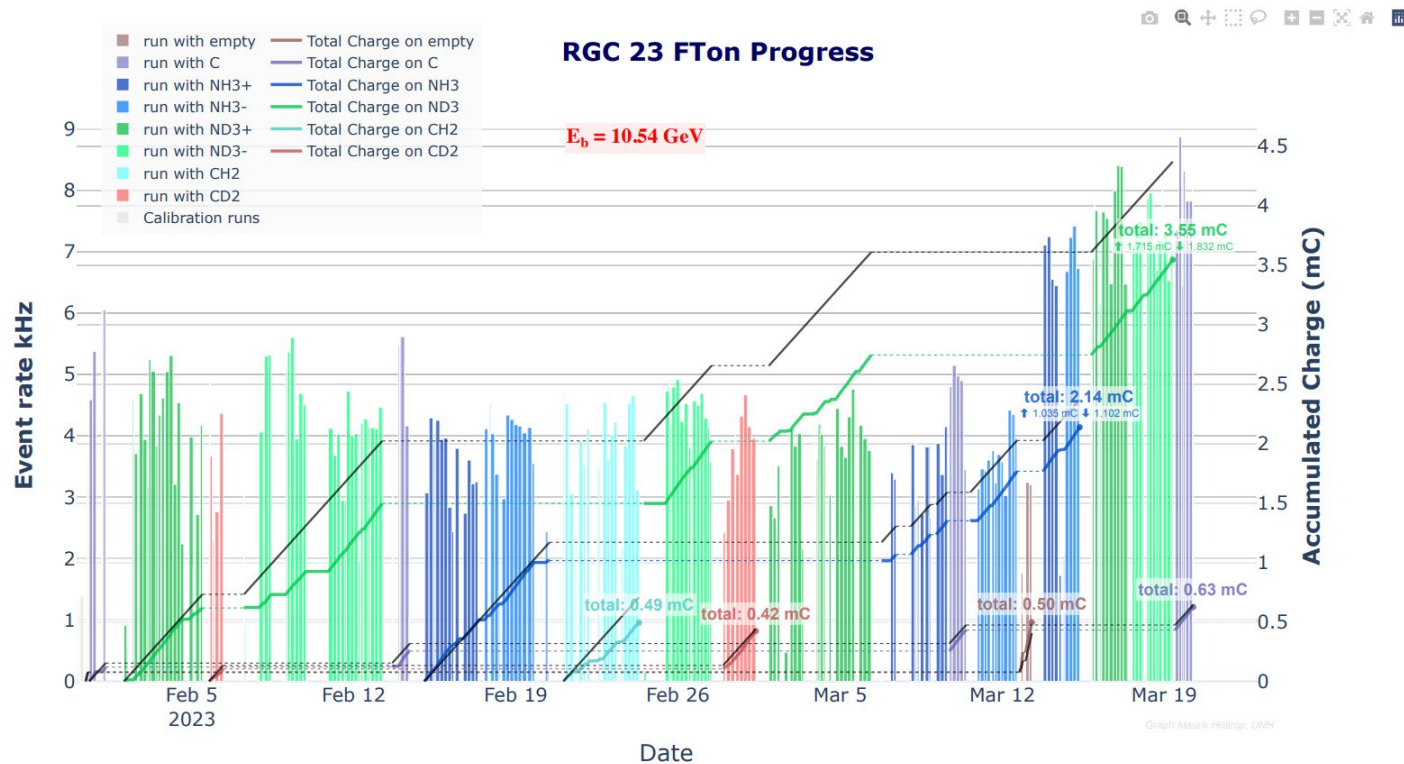

ADC$_Y$ Bin: 2428.15

Track vertex *given* ADC signal strength

X Vertices from μ_1 of Double Gaus.

Slope: 0.000955 ± 0.000002
Intercept: -1.889 ± 0.005
χ^2_{red}: 10.584

$$V_{x,y} = P_0 + P_1 * ADC_{x,y}$$

D. Holmberg

Status of Data Processing

- **Total Accumulated Beam Charges**
  - NH3: ~13.06 mC
  - ND3: ~14.19 mC
  - C: ~3.43 mC
  - CH2: ~2.88 mC
  - CD2: ~0.42 mC
  - Empty: ~1.85mC
- ~5% of collected data has been processed for analysis

⭐ Preliminary analyses featured correspond to a *fraction* of the total RG-C NH3 data

~70% target polarization
~83% beam polarization

RGC 23 FTon Progress

$E_b = 10.54$ GeV

Timeline for **Forward Tagger On** 2023

- Spikes --> *Individual runs*
- Colors --> *Target species*
  - Shades --> *Target spin*
- Diagonal lines --> *Total beam charge*

$$ep \rightarrow e'\pi X$$

p_T

$P_{h\perp}$

$\boldsymbol{z k_T}$

X

q'

γ^*

$\boldsymbol{k_T}$

q

N
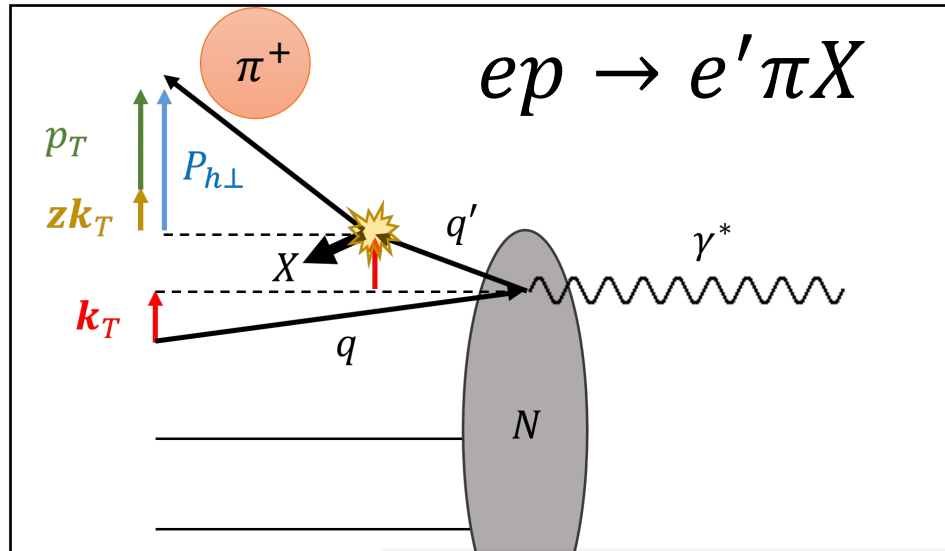
- Measuring **double-spin asymmetry** (F_{LL})
- P_T-dependence → Access the k_T-dependence of the helicity distributions $\boldsymbol{g_1(x, k_T)}$

$$d\sigma \propto F_{UU,T} + \epsilon F_{UU,L} + \boxed{\lambda_e \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \sin\phi_h F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h}} +$$
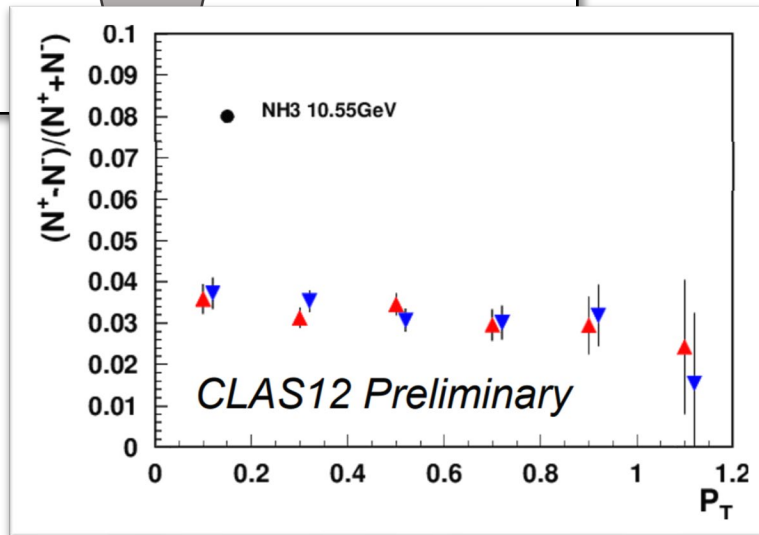
$$\boxed{S_\| \left[\sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \sin\phi_h F_{UL}^{\sin\phi_h} + \epsilon \sin(2\phi_h) F_{UL}^{\sin(2\phi_h)} \right]} + \boxed{S_\| \lambda_e \sqrt{1-\epsilon^2} F_{LL}}$$

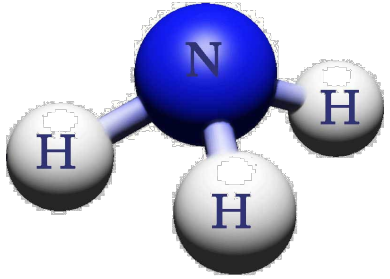*Proton helicity*　　*Electron helicity*

$N^+ \rightarrow \lambda S_\| = 1$

$N^- \rightarrow \lambda S_\| = -1$

NH3 10.55GeV

$(N^+ - N^-)/(N^+ + N^-)$

CLAS12 Preliminary

P_T

$$F_{LL} \propto g_1(x, k_T) \otimes D_1(z, p_T)$$

Convolution over transverse momentum space

$$A_{LL} = \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-} \rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{f \times P_b \times P_t \times D(y)}\right)\frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-}$$
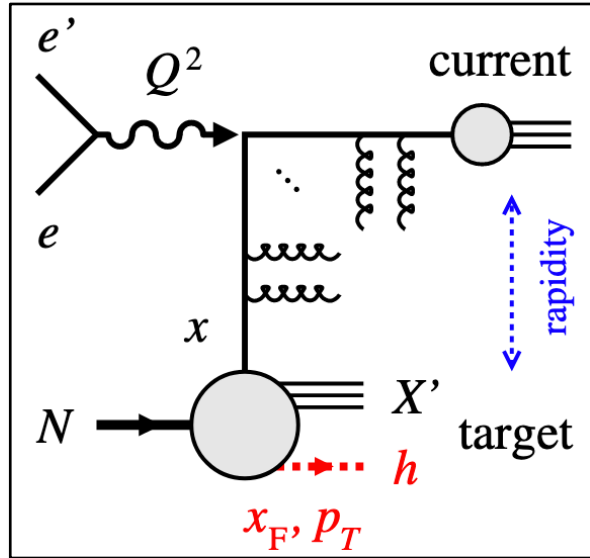
Beam/target polarization

Depolarization factor

- Bin-by-bin determination of dilution factors
  - Analyze NH_3 vs. C yields
  - Calculate %-age of proton cross section contribution to NH_3

$$f = 1 - \frac{N_C}{N_{NH_3}}$$

Preliminary

χ^2/ndf	13.12 / 9	
A0	0.1782 ±	0.4593E-02
A1	-0.7268E-02 ±	0.2129E-01
A2	-0.3374E-01 ±	0.2226E-01

3.75

CLAS12 Preliminary

NH3 10.55GeV
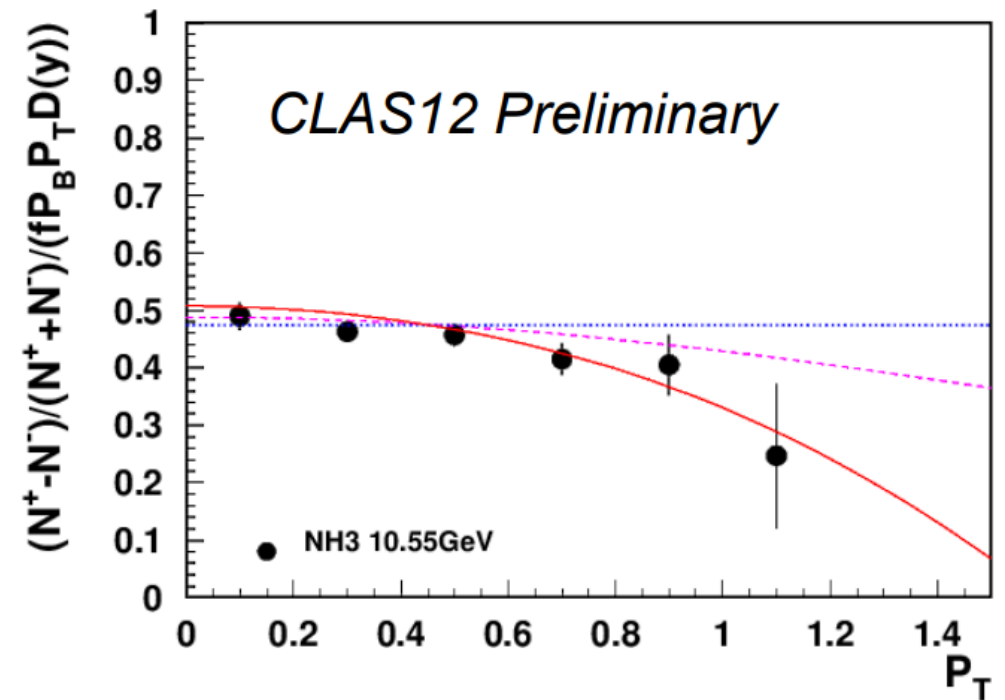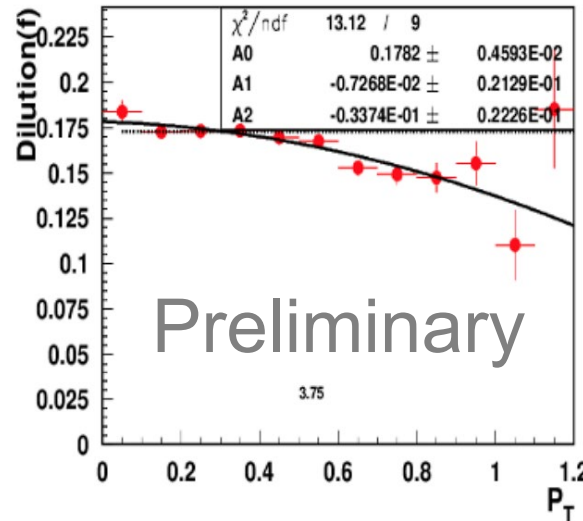
Preliminary Analysis: **Fracture Functions**
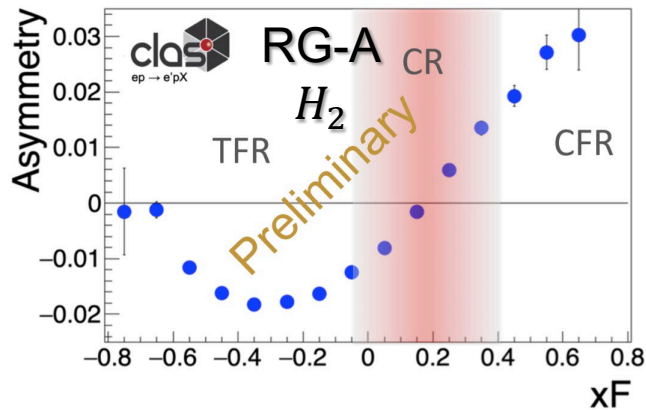

xF→ Hadron p_L relative to $\gamma^* p_L$

"What physics can we learn from the target remnant (TFR)?"

- **Fracture Functions** → probability for the target (p/n) remnant to form a hadron *given* ejected quark q_f
  - No hard/soft energy scale separation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathrm{TFR}}}{\mathrm{d}x_B\,\mathrm{d}y\,\mathrm{d}z} = \sum_a e_a^2\,(1 - x_B)\,M_a(x_B, (1 - x_B)z)\,\frac{\mathrm{d}\hat{\sigma}}{\mathrm{d}y}$$

- Direct relationship to traditional **PDFs** by integrating over fractional longitudinal nucleon momentum ζ

$$\sum_h \int_0^{1-x} d\zeta\,\zeta\,\hat{u}_1(x, \zeta) = (1 - x)f_1(x)$$

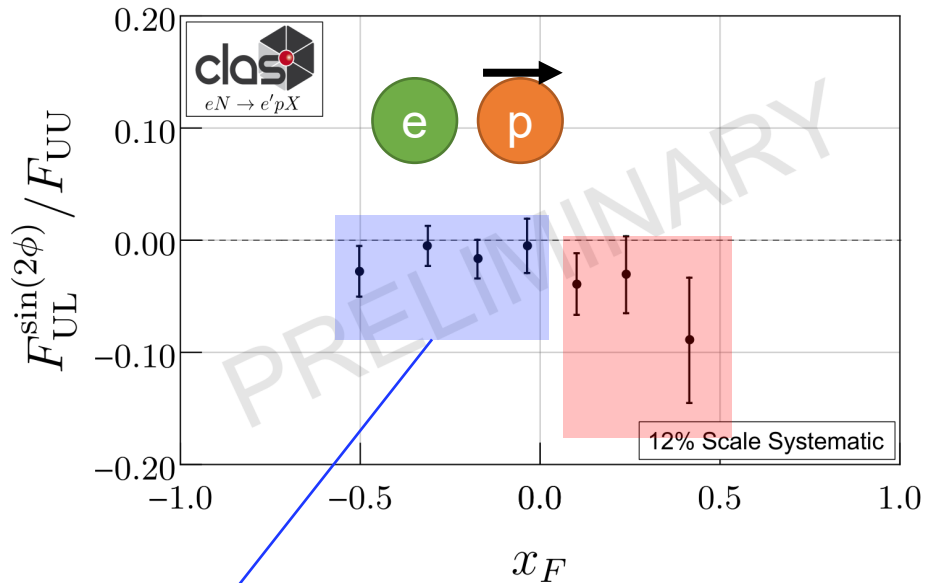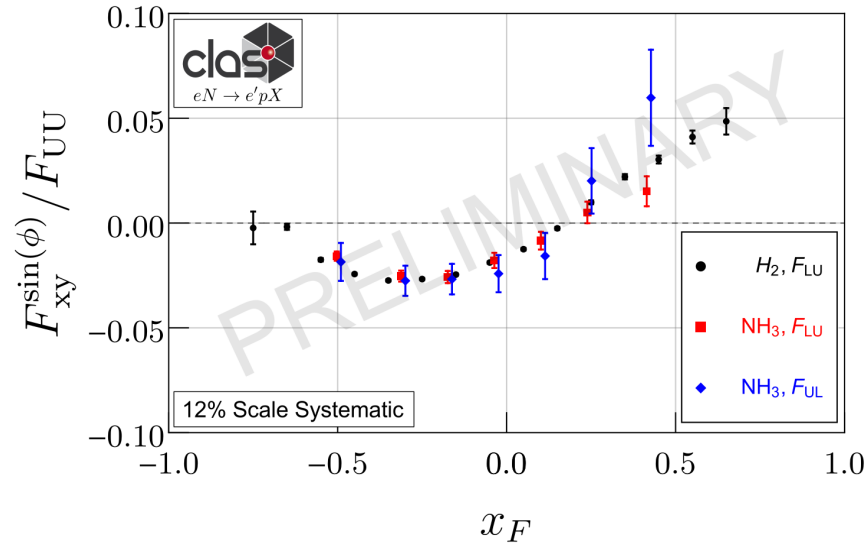$$\sum_h \int_0^{1-x} d\zeta\,\zeta\,\hat{l}_{1L}(x, \zeta) = (1 - x)g_{1L}(x)$$

- Key for understanding how to separate *current* vs. *target* fragmentation
- **RG-C** is a great laboratory for testing TFR phenomena
  - No Collins mechanism in TFR → $F_{UL}^{\sin 2\phi} \approx 0$ and simpler structure functions
  - Test nuclear medium modification in NH_3's F_{LU} vs. H_2's F_{LU} (RG-A)
  - Access familiar TMD/PDFs with different systematics

T. Hayward

$$ep \rightarrow e'p\,X$$

Visible separation between TFR ($x_F < 0$) and CFR ($x_F > 0$) contributions

Minimal nuclear medium modification

No Collins mechanism in **TFR** $\rightarrow F_{UL}^{\sin 2\phi} \approx 0$
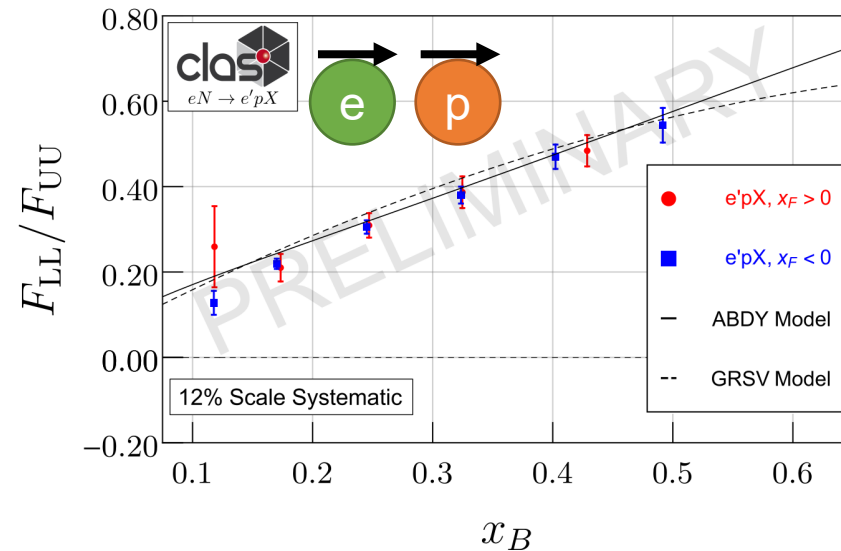
TFR Access to helicity distribution g_{1L}

$$A_{LL} = \lambda_\ell S_L \frac{\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2} F_{LL}}{F_{UU,T}}$$

$ep \rightarrow e'p'\gamma$
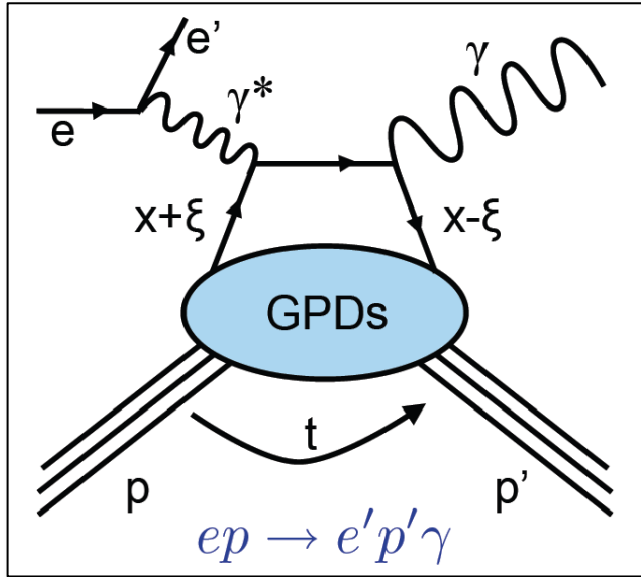
$$\mathcal{F}_p(\xi,t) = \frac{4}{9}\mathcal{F}_u(\xi,t) + \frac{1}{9}\mathcal{F}_d(\xi,t)$$

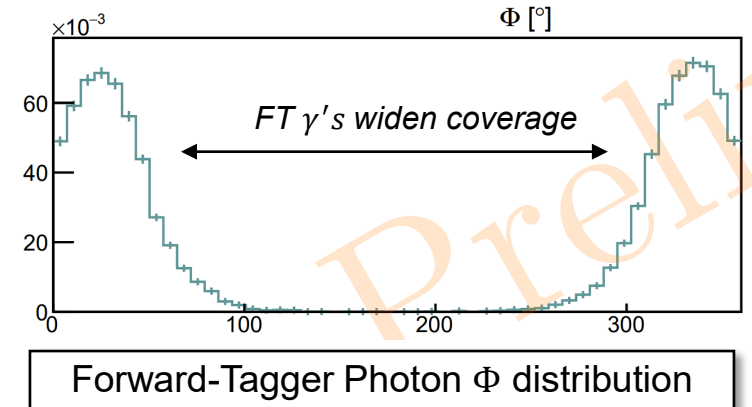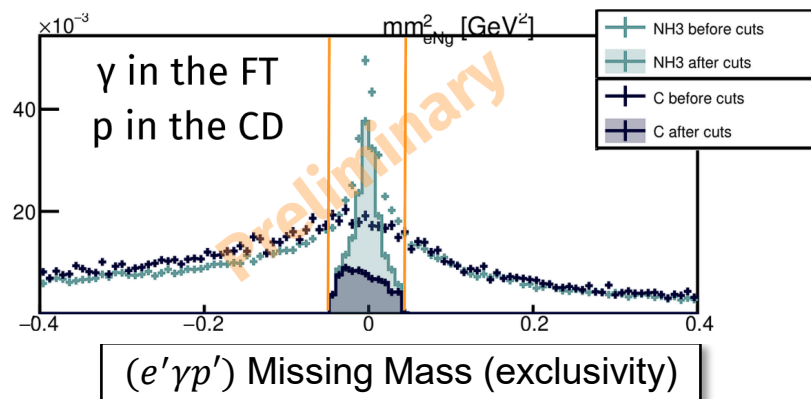$$\mathcal{F}_n(\xi,t) = \frac{4}{9}\mathcal{F}_d(\xi,t) + \frac{1}{9}\mathcal{F}_u(\xi,t)$$

⭐ *Flavor Decomposition* ⭐

- GPDs give a 3-d partonic picture in terms of longitudinal momentum, transverse spatial position, and their correlations

- **pDVCS (NH_3)** measurements at RG-C give access to A_{LU}, A_{UL}, A_{LL}

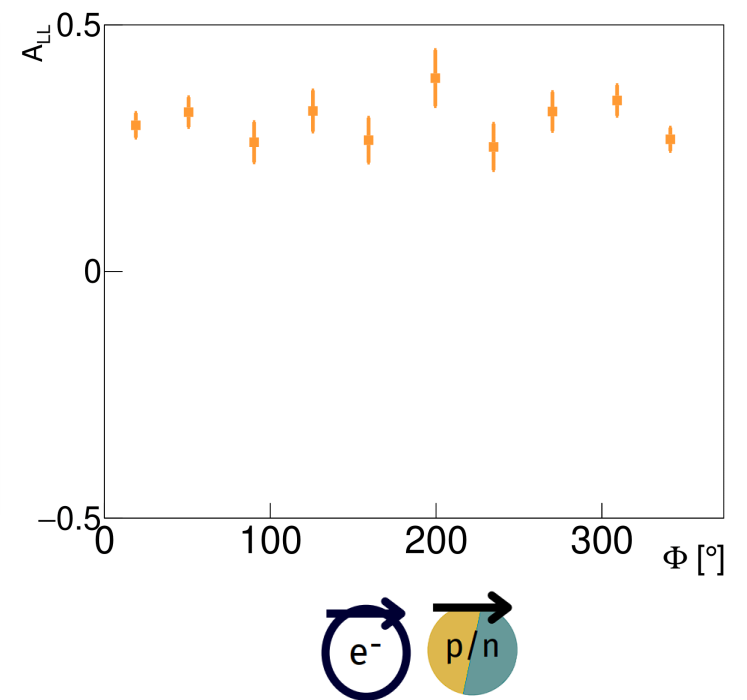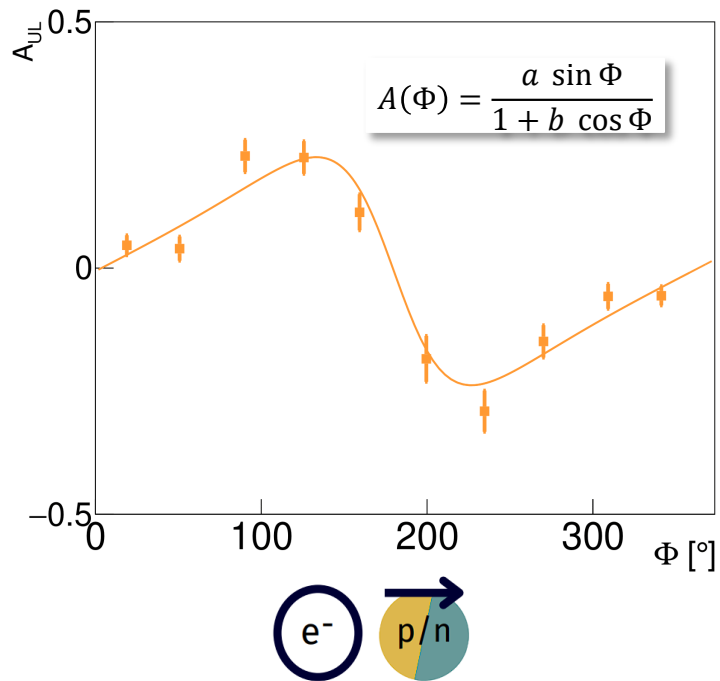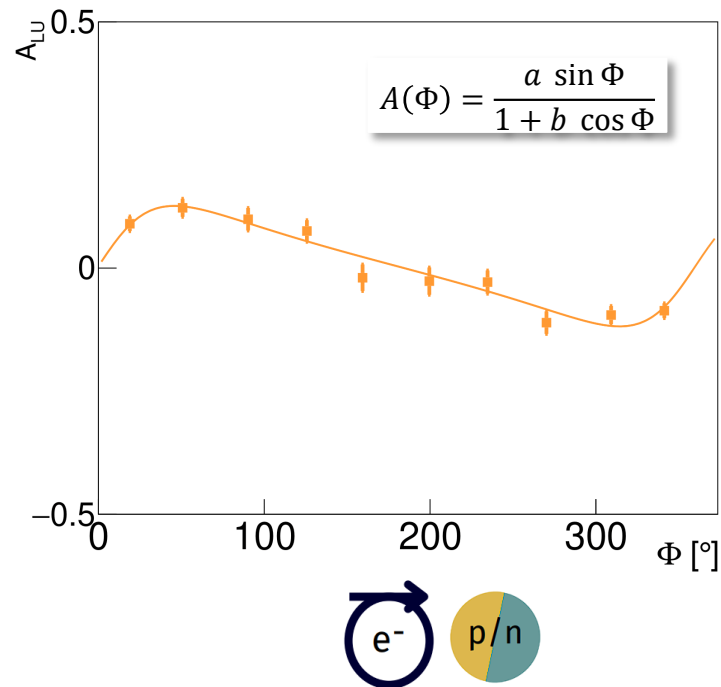- With **nDVCS (ND_3)** → Separation of u, d Compton Form Factors

$$\Delta\sigma_{LU} \simeq sin(\phi)\Im\left[F_1\mathcal{H} + \xi(F_1+F_2)\tilde{\mathcal{H}} - \xi\frac{t}{4M^2}F_2\mathcal{E}\right]$$

$$\Delta\sigma_{UL} \simeq \sin(\phi)\Im\left[F_1\tilde{\mathcal{H}} + \xi(F_1+F_2)(\mathcal{H} + \frac{x_{bj}}{2}\mathcal{E}) - \xi(\frac{x_{bj}}{2}F_1 + \frac{t}{4M^2}F_2)\tilde{\mathcal{E}}\right]$$

$$\Delta\sigma_{LL} \simeq (A+B\cos(\phi))\Re[F_1\tilde{\mathcal{H}}+\xi(F_1+F_2)(\mathcal{H}+\frac{x_{bj}}{2}\mathcal{E})-\xi(\frac{x_{bj}}{2}F_1+\frac{t}{4M^2}F_2)\tilde{\mathcal{E}}]$$

γ in the FT
p in the CD

- NH3 before cuts
- NH3 after cuts
- C before cuts
- C after cuts

$(e'\gamma p')$ Missing Mass (exclusivity)

FT γ's widen coverage

Forward-Tagger Photon Φ distribution

N. Pilleux

$$A(\Phi) = \frac{a \, \sin\Phi}{1 + b \, \cos\Phi}$$

Run Group C Summary

RG-C is the *first longitudinally polarized target experiment* using the CLAS12 detector system in JLab's 12 GeV era

- Large acceptance given by the capabilities of CLAS12 to explore a wider kinematic phase space

- Broad physics program: Structure functions, TMDs, GPDs

- Polarized p and d --> quark flavor sensitivity

- Unprecedented polarized target and beam statistics capable of performing multidimensional binning of observables

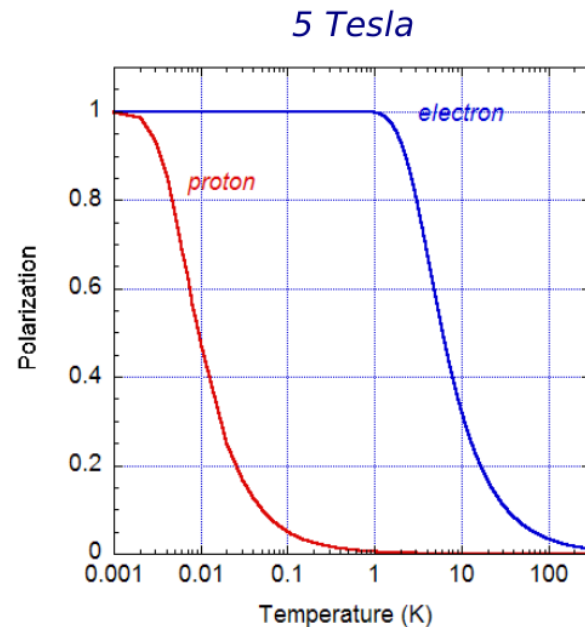- Preliminary 5% of data has been processed (stay tuned!)
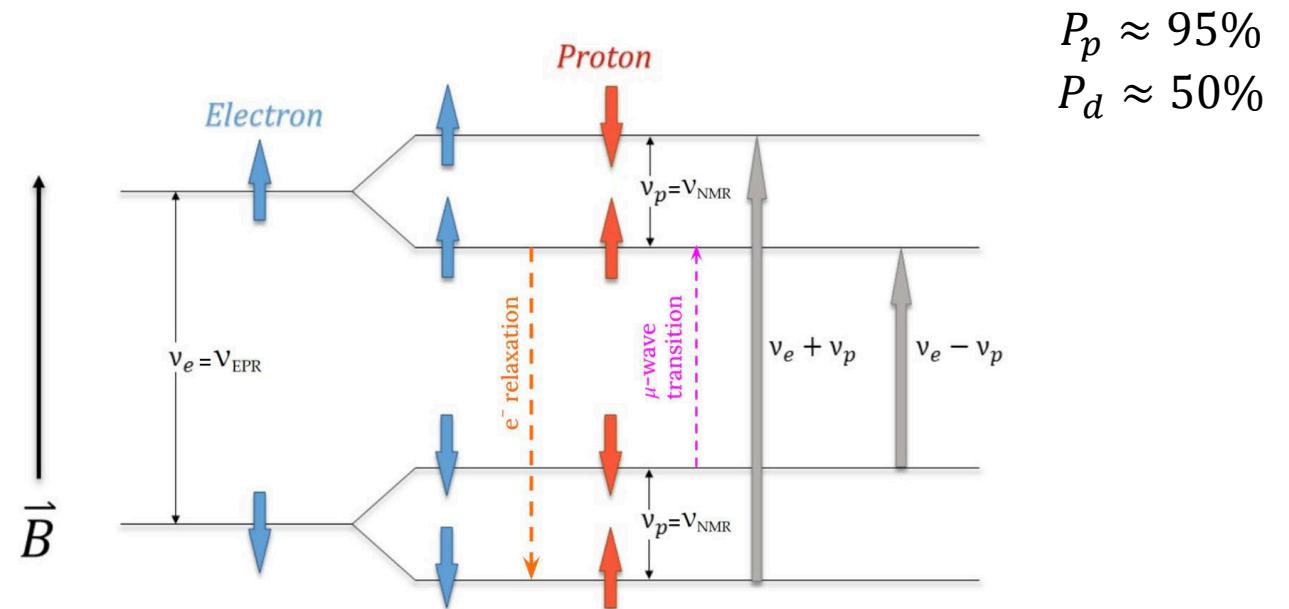
Thanks for listening!

Extra Slides

Dynamic Nuclear Polarization

Step 1: Brute Force polarization of free e^- with 5T solenoid field

Step 2: Induce electron-nuclei spin exchange with 140 GHz microwaves

$$P = \tanh\left(\frac{\mu B}{k_B T}\right)$$

$P_p \approx 95\%$
$P_d \approx 50\%$

➤ *Learn more at Pushpa Pandey's talk on Tuesday!*