

# **New Experimental Method for a Precise Measurement of the Proton Charge Radius at the S-DALINAC \***

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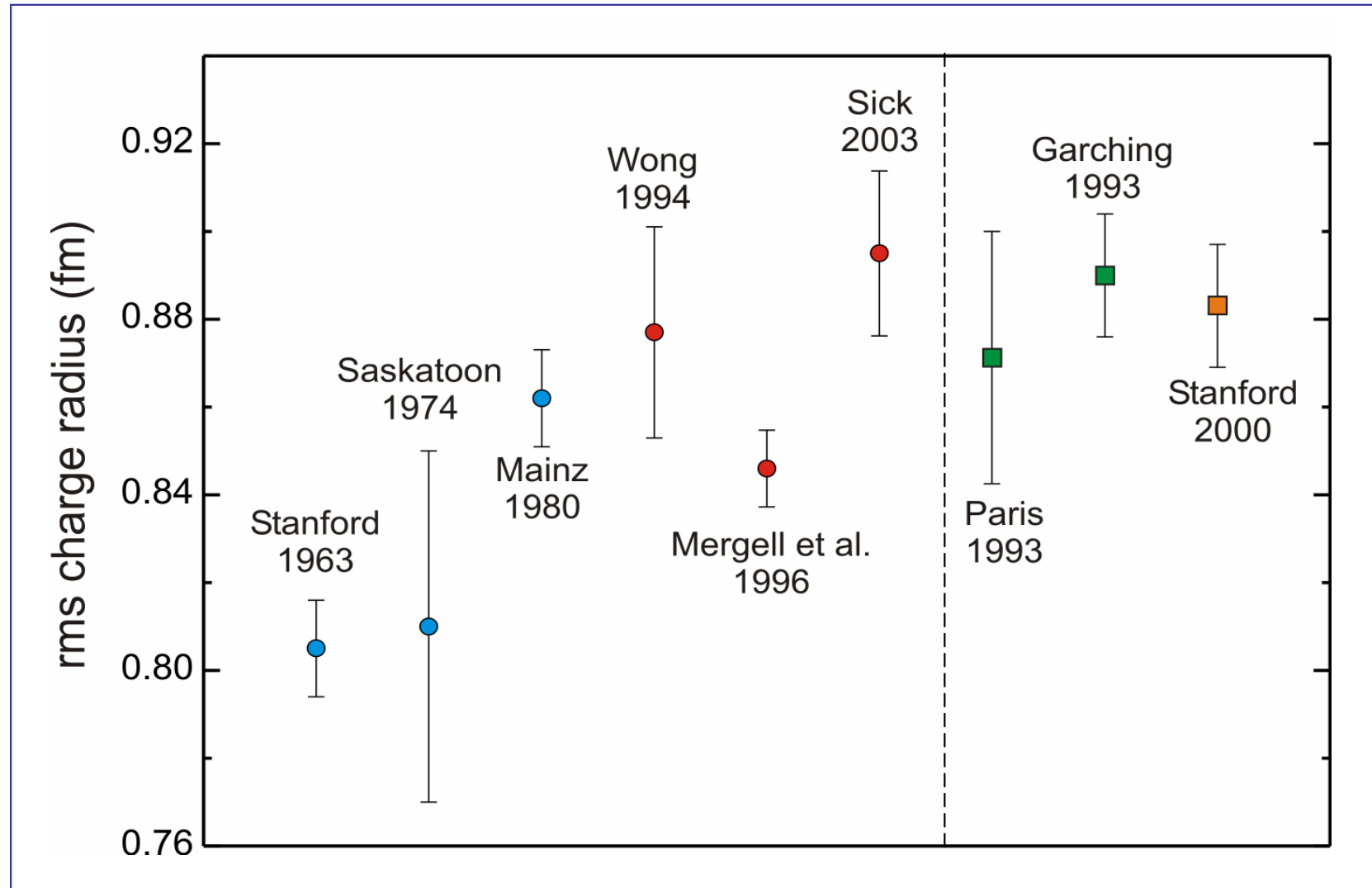
## Introduction

Proton charge radius –  
one of the fundamental quantities in physics!

Its precise determination is very important -

- to understand its structure in terms of quark and gluon degrees of freedom of Quantum Chromodynamics.
- for high-precision tests of Quantum Electrodynamics using Lamb shift measurements .

# Proton charge radius – the data



# Differential cross-section $H(e,e)p$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \Big|_{Mott} F(q^2)$$

$$F(q^2) = \left\{ \left( \frac{G_E^2 + \cancel{\tau G_M^2}}{1 + \tau} \right) + \cancel{2\tau G_M^2} \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right\}, \text{ with } \tau \equiv \frac{q^2}{4M^2}$$

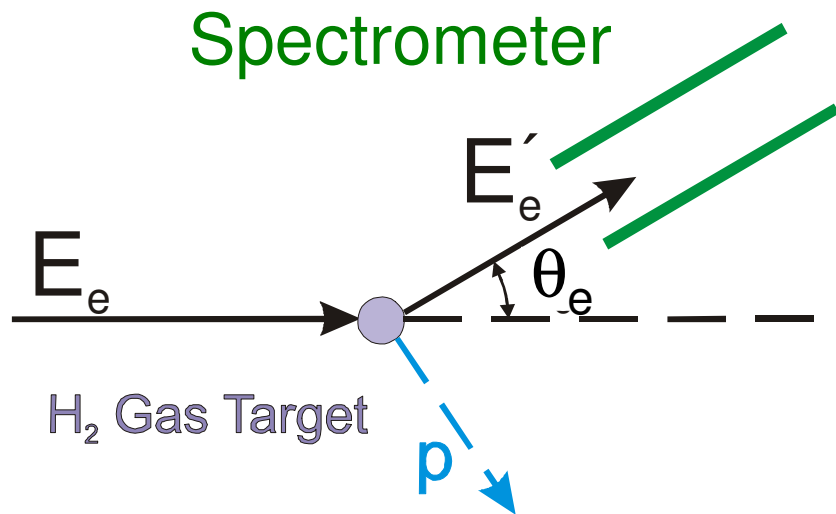
At low  $q$ ,  $\tau \sim 0$

$$F(q^2) = \int e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \rho(r) d^3r$$

$$\frac{\langle r^2 \rangle}{6} = - \frac{dG_E^p(q^2)}{dq^2} \Big|_{q \rightarrow 0}$$

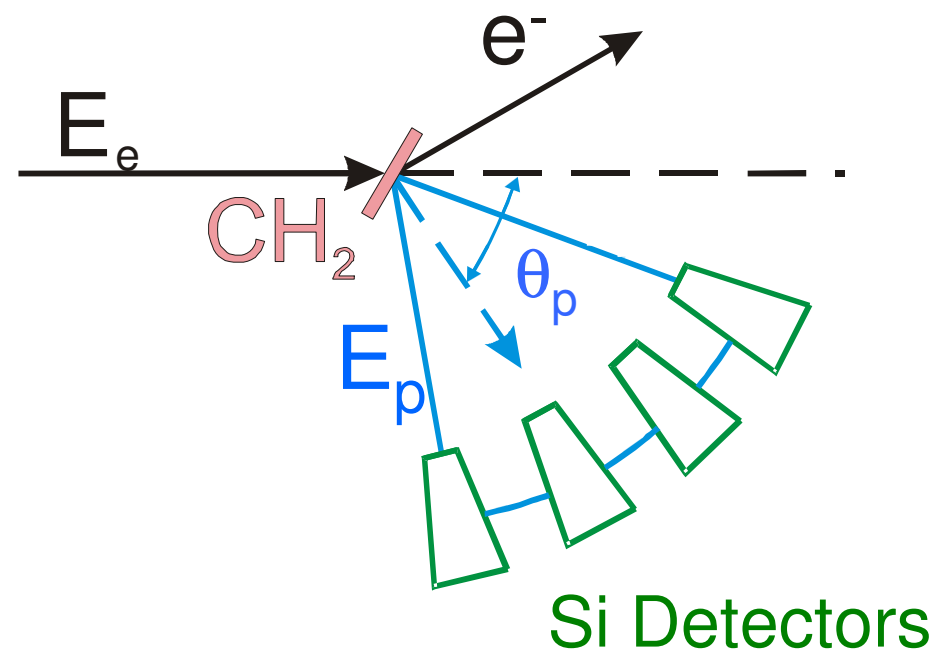
# Experimental method

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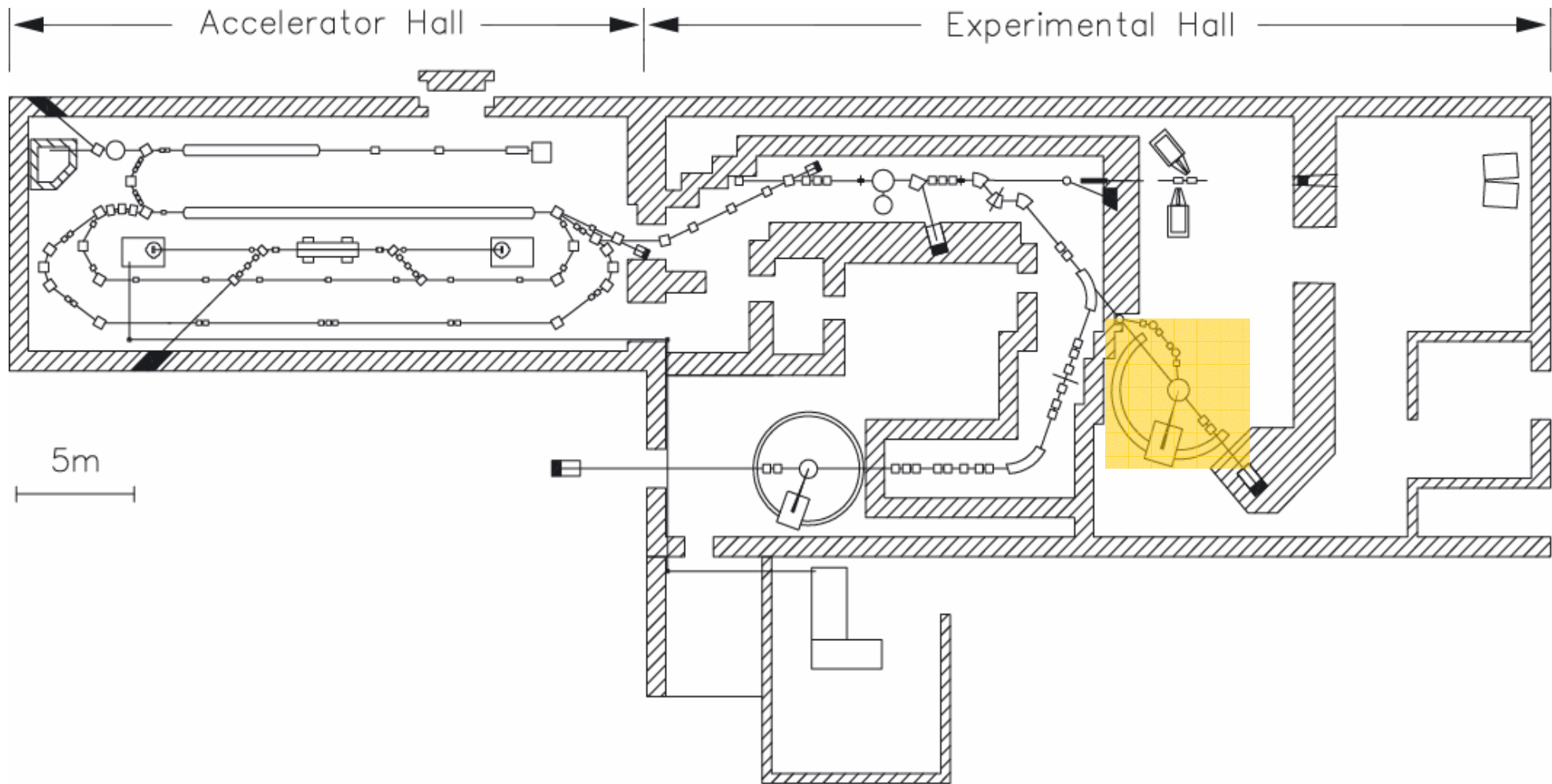
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New

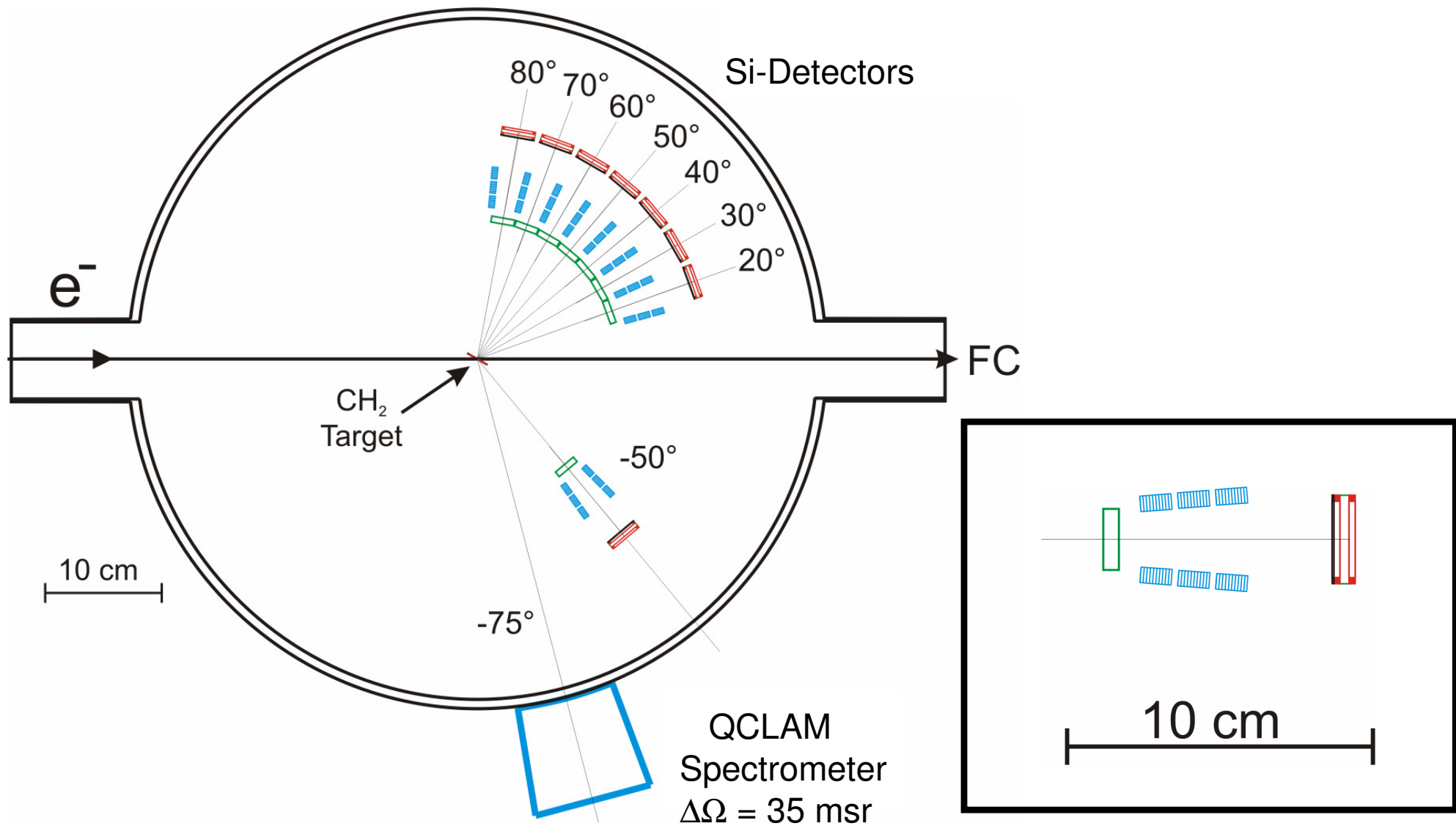


$$\Delta r_p / r_p < 1\%$$

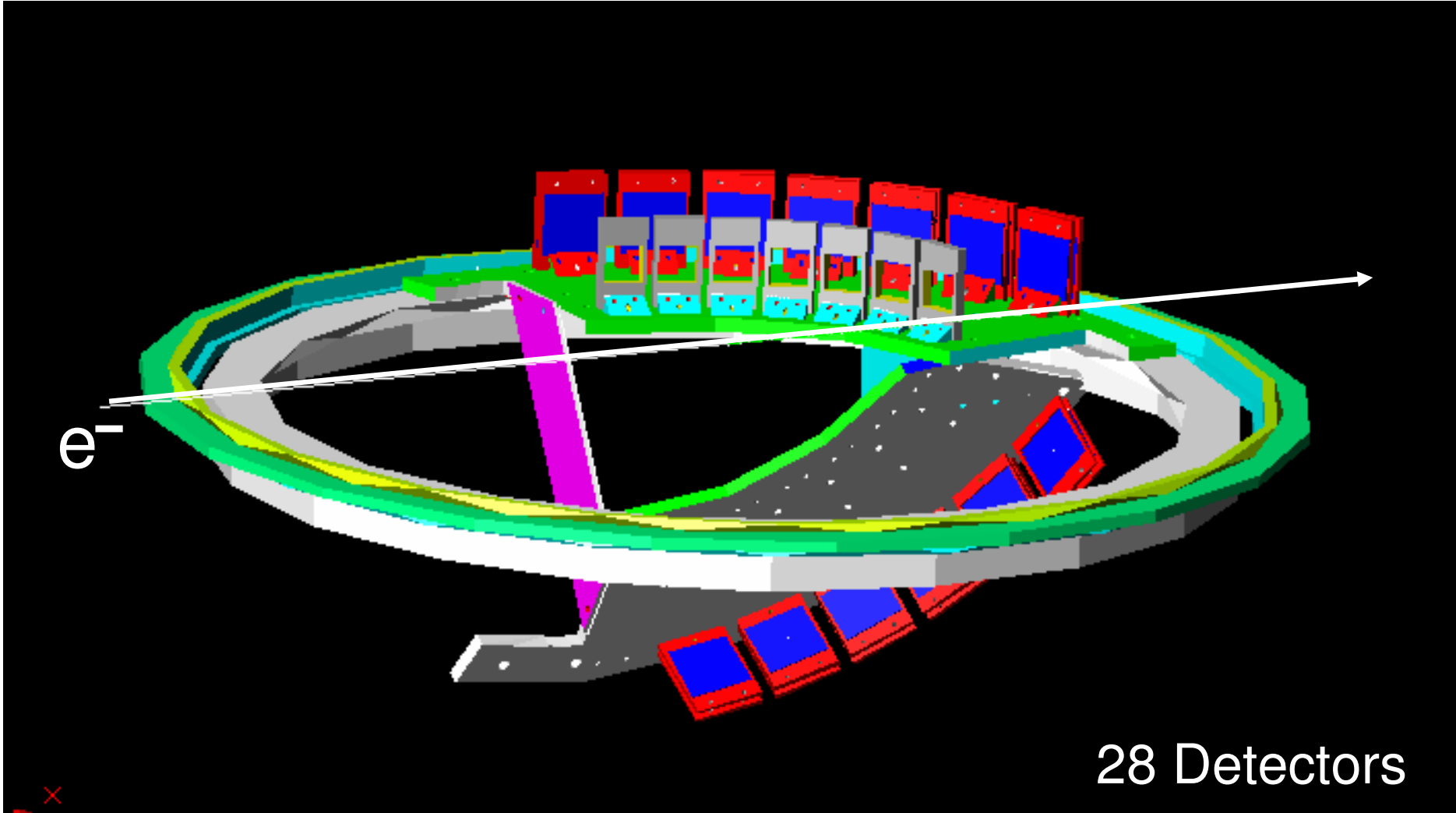
# S-DALINAC



# Set-up



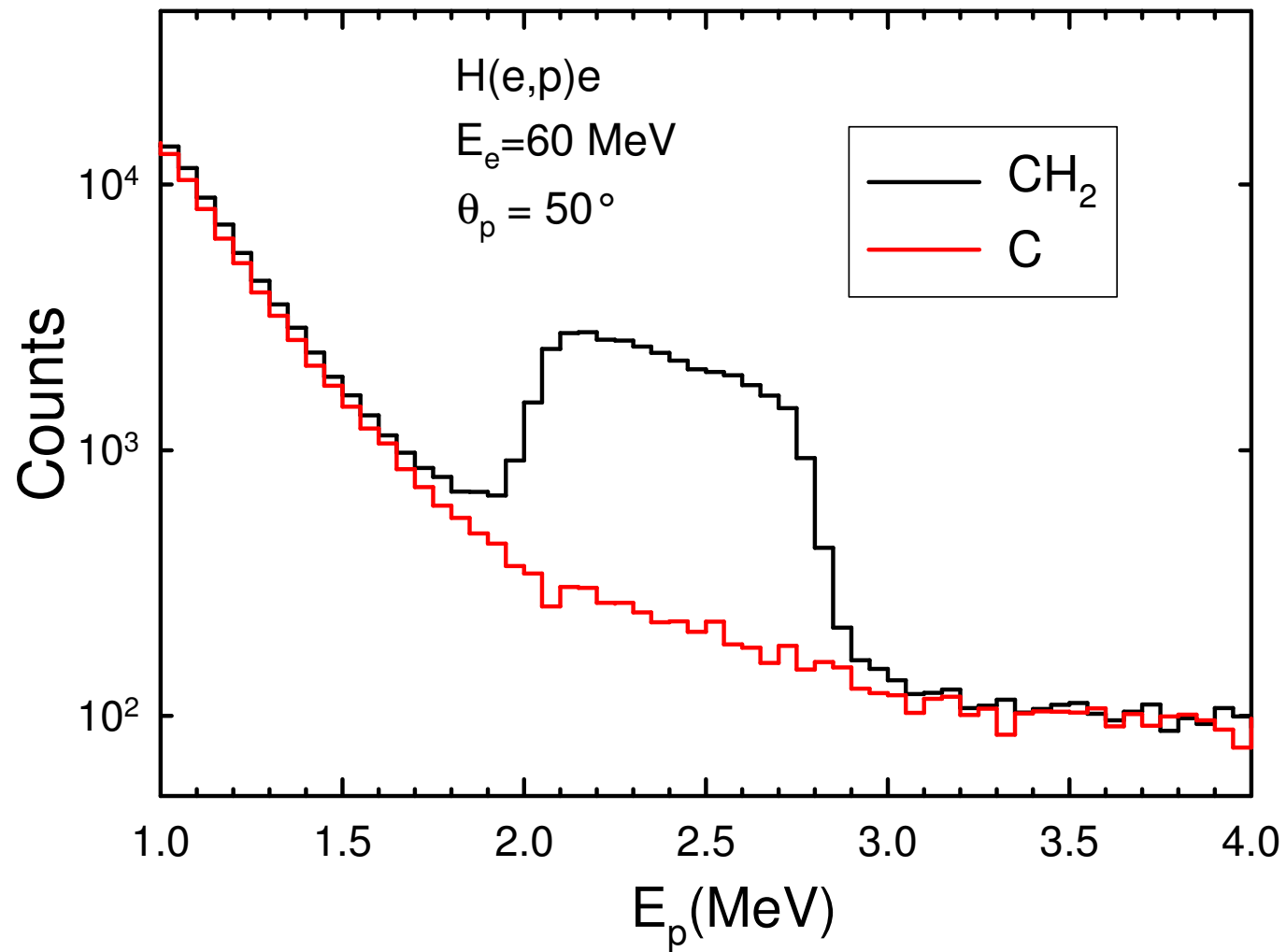
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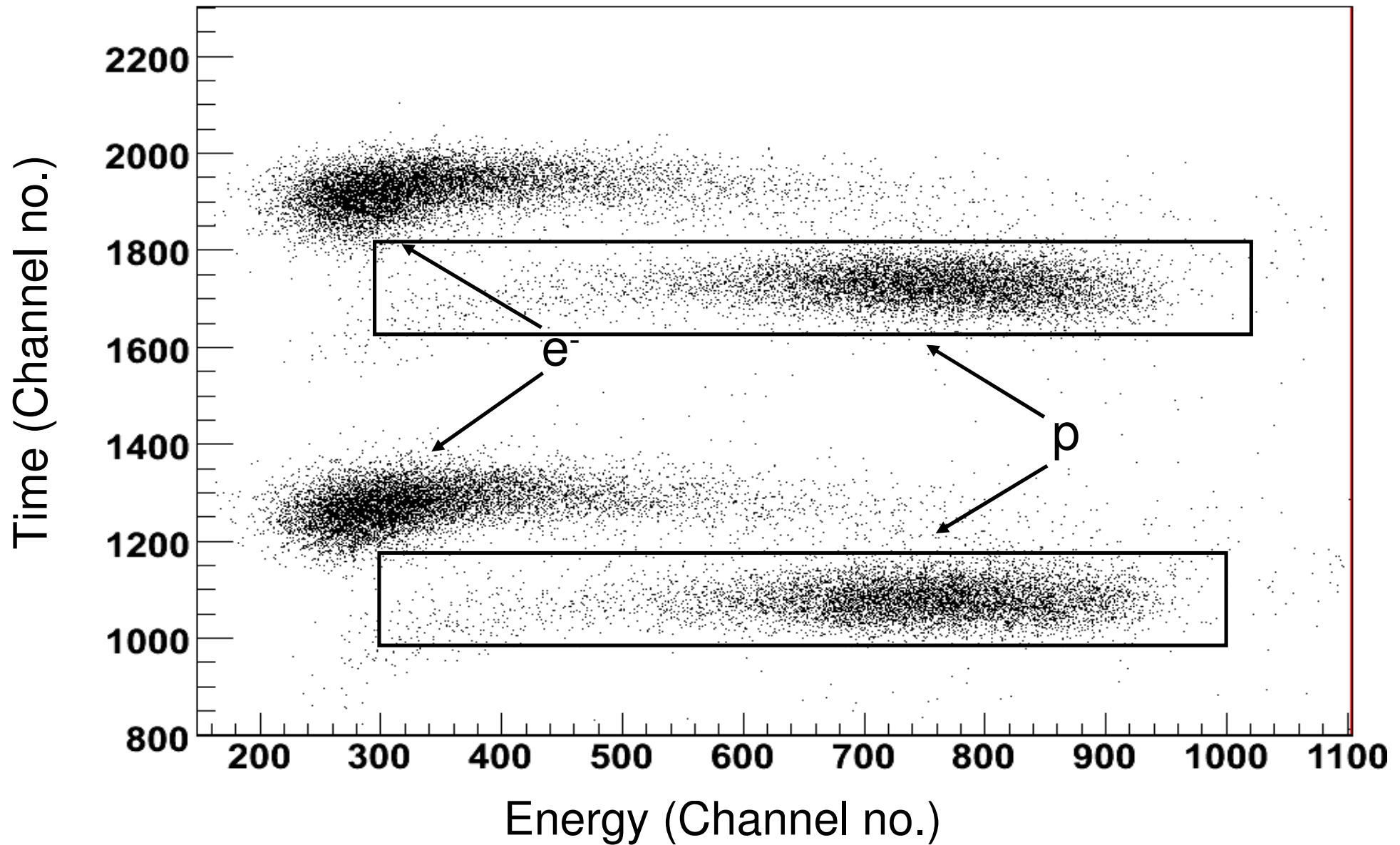
472 mm



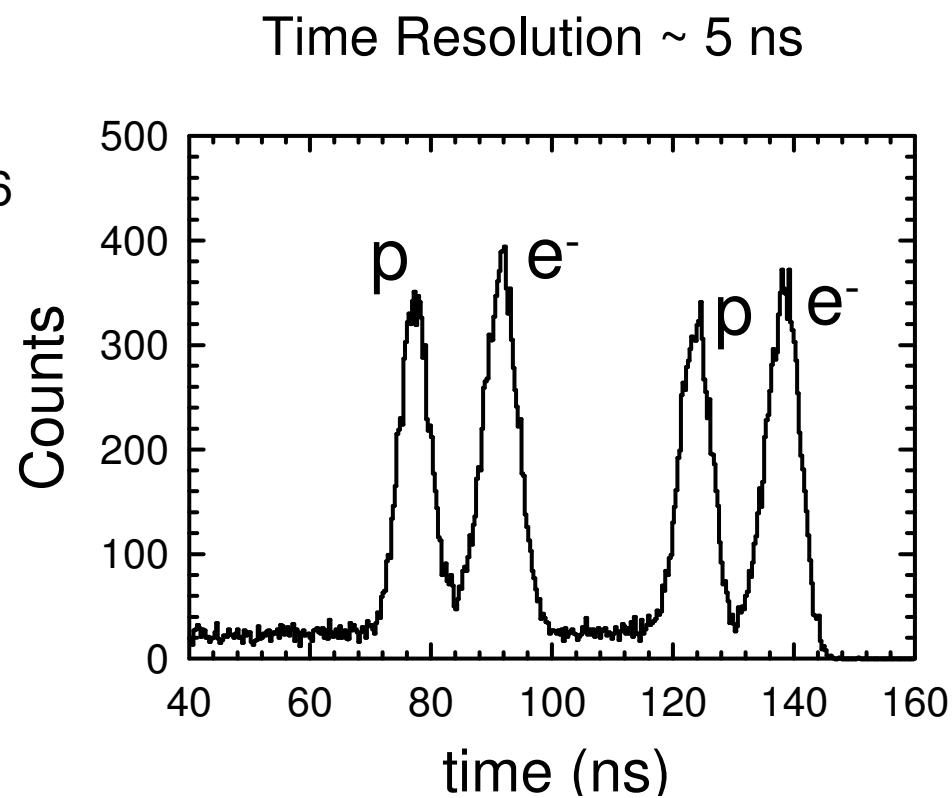
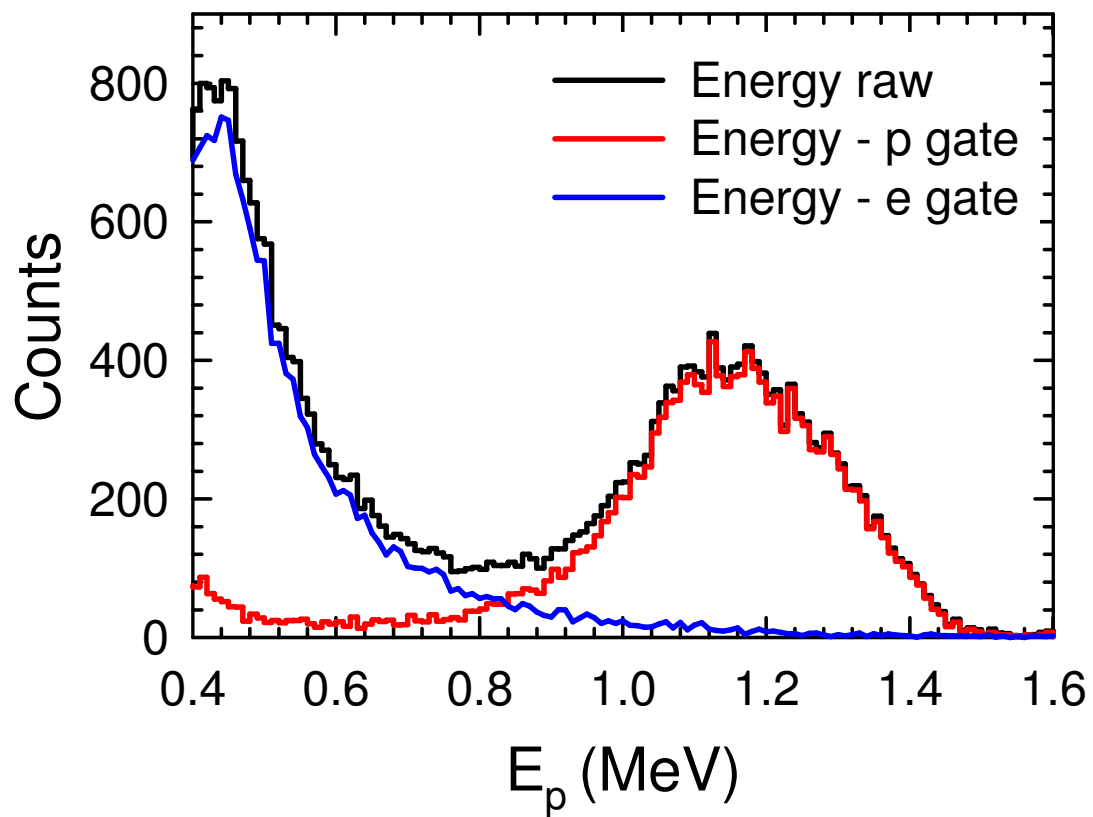
# Experimental energy spectrum and background



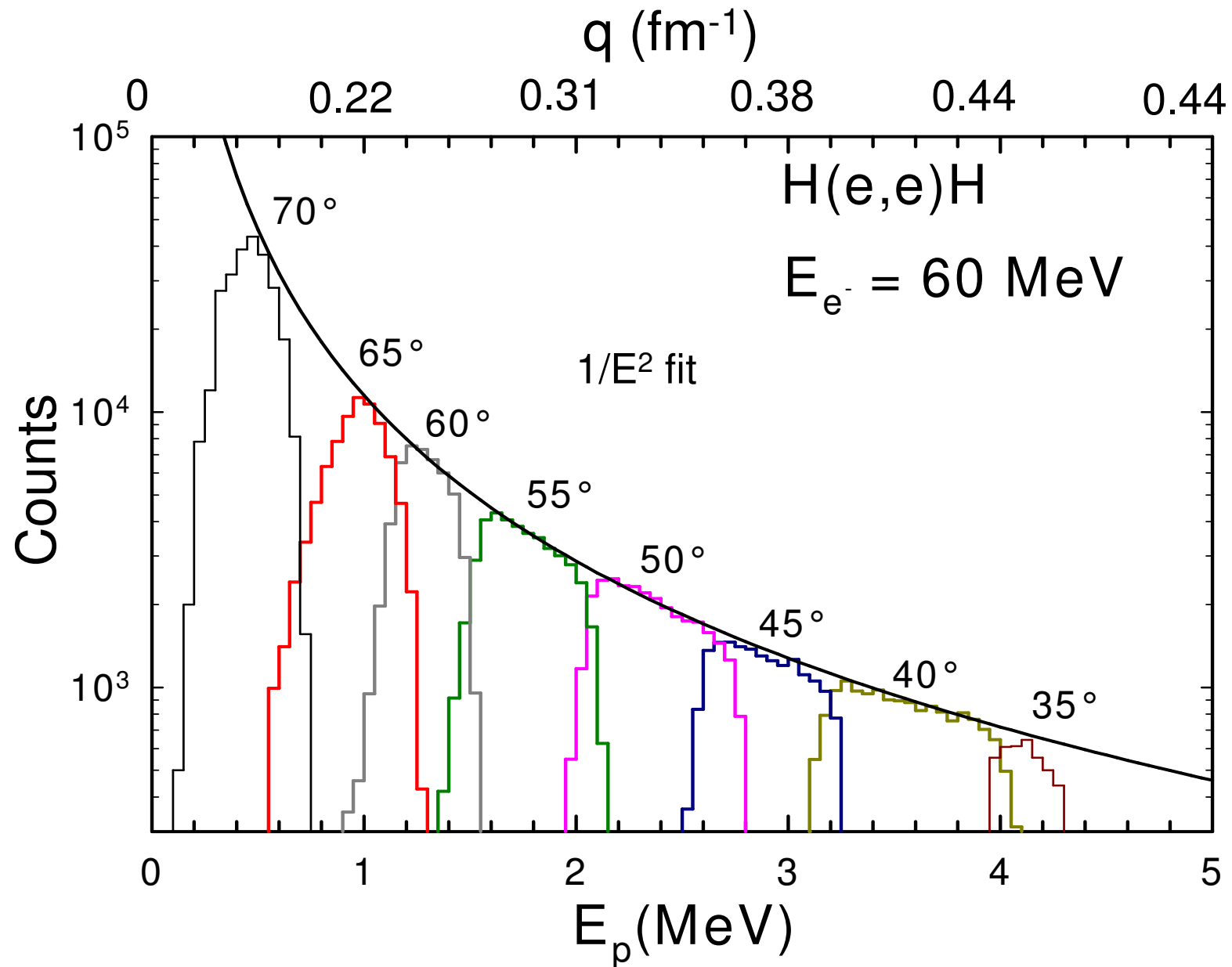
# Linearised spectrum



# Projected spectra

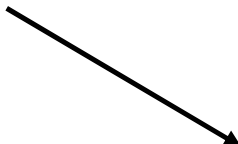


# Measured energy spectra



# Outlook

Proton charge radius

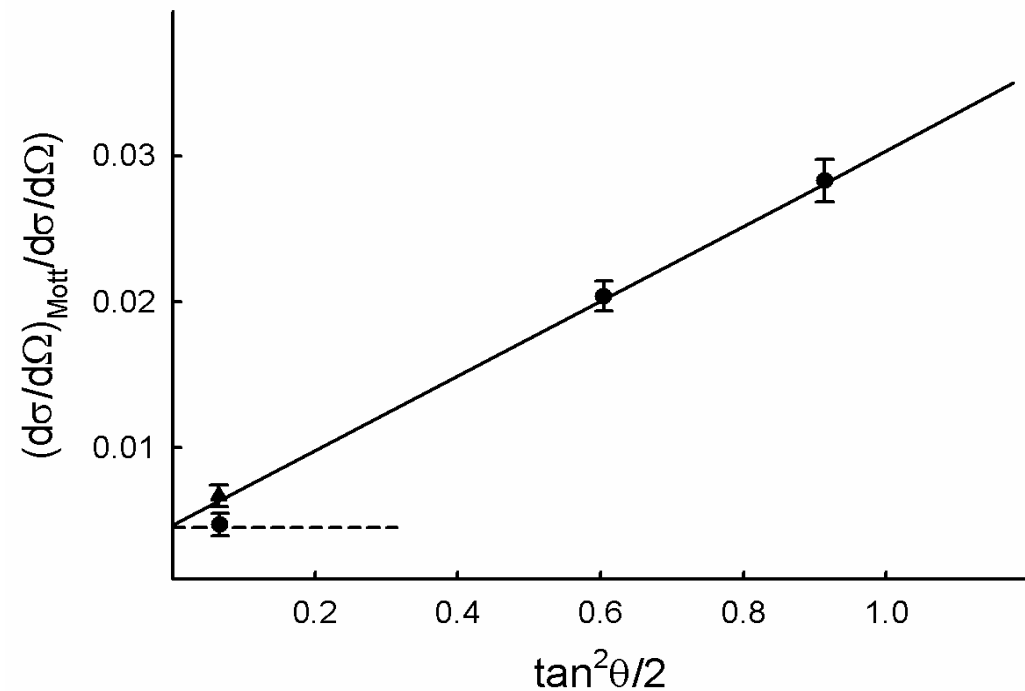

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto \frac{1}{q^4} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\langle r^2 \rangle q^2}{3!} + \frac{\langle r^2 \rangle^2 q^2}{5!} \right\}$$

Measurements at higher beam energies !

# Rosenbluth Separation

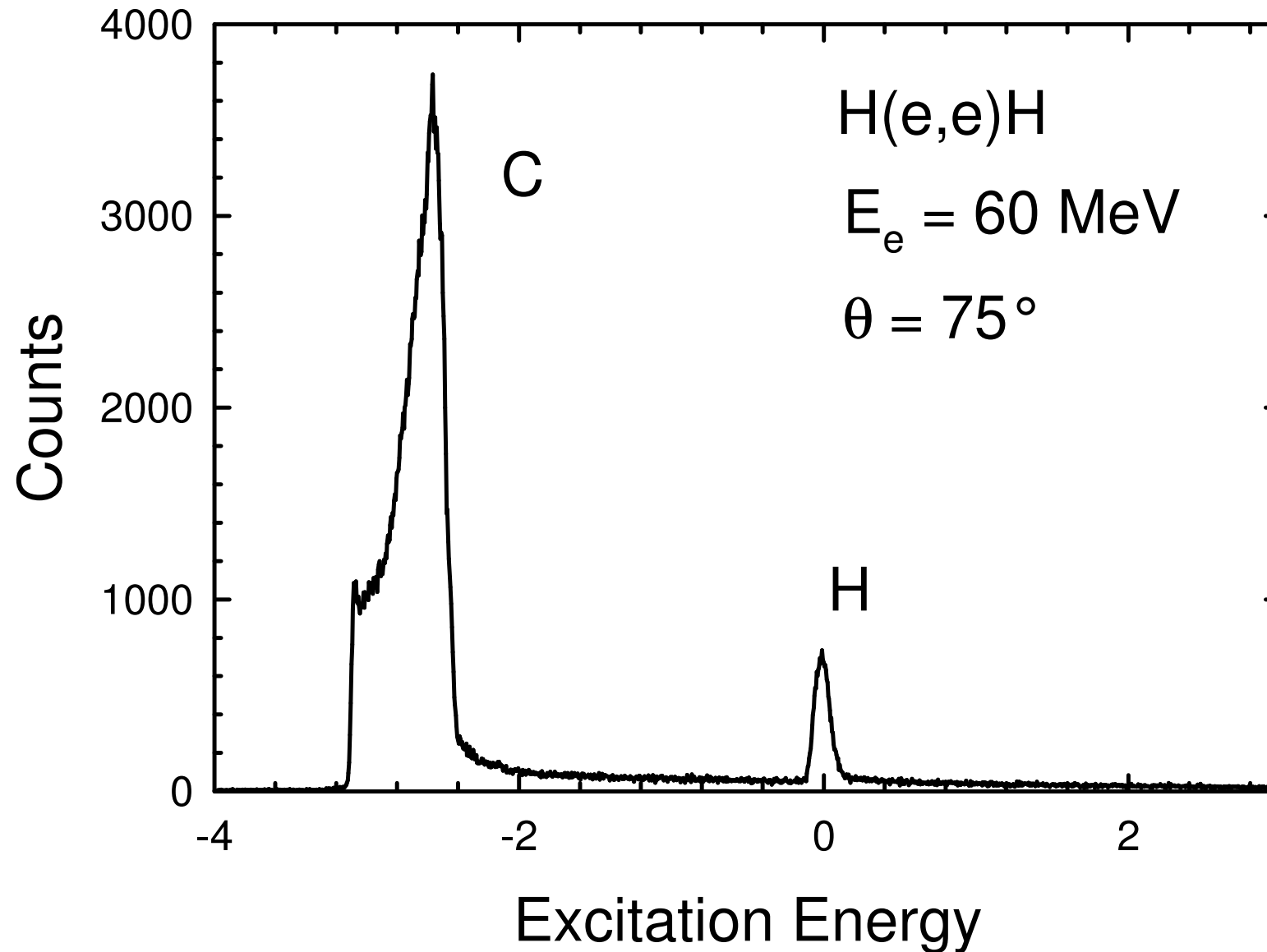
$$\frac{\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}}{\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{Mott}} = \left\{ A(Q^2) + B(Q^2) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right\}$$

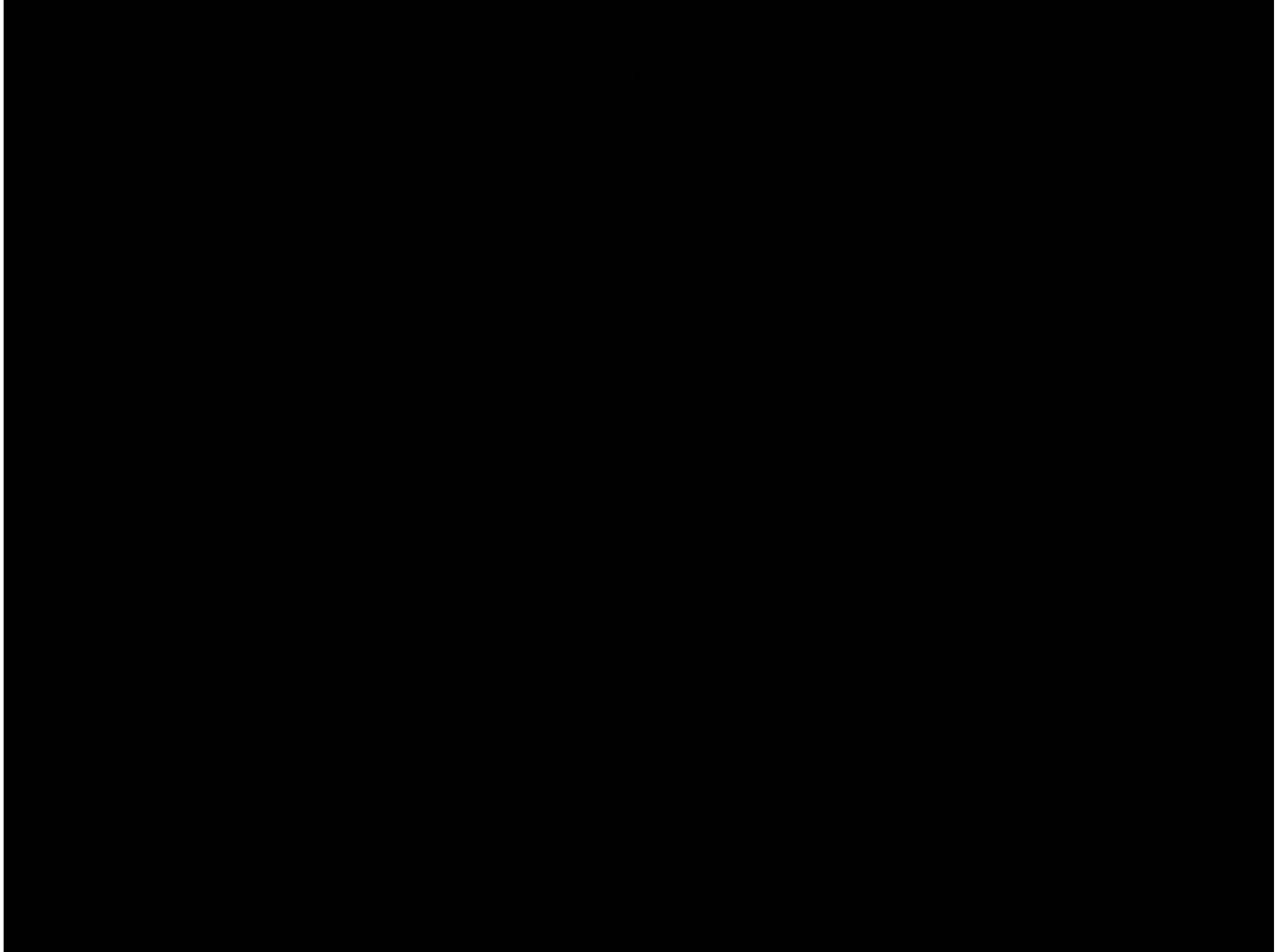
Separation of el. and mag. contributions:  
Same  $q$ , different kinematics ( $E_e, \theta$ )



e-p Scattering

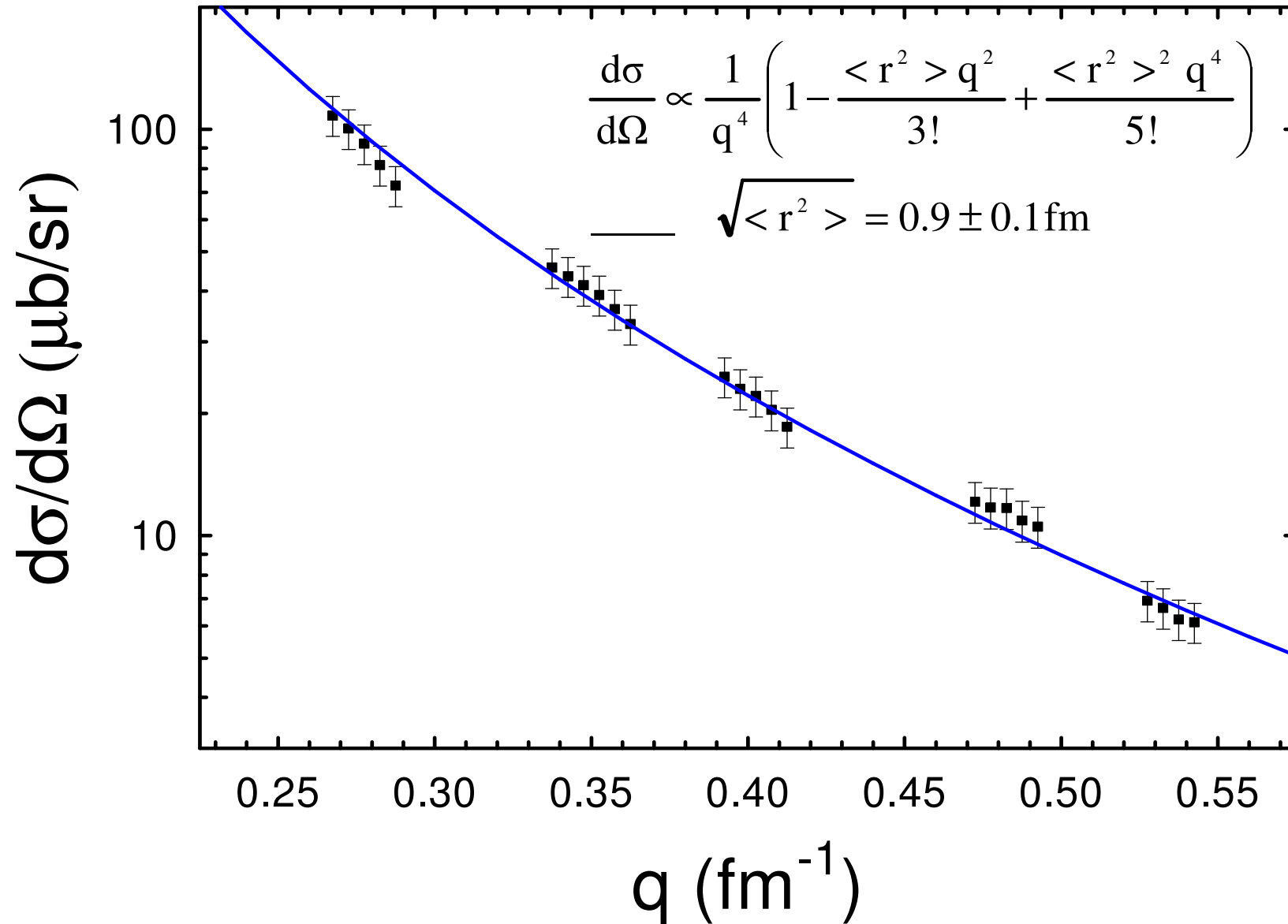
# Spectrometer spectra



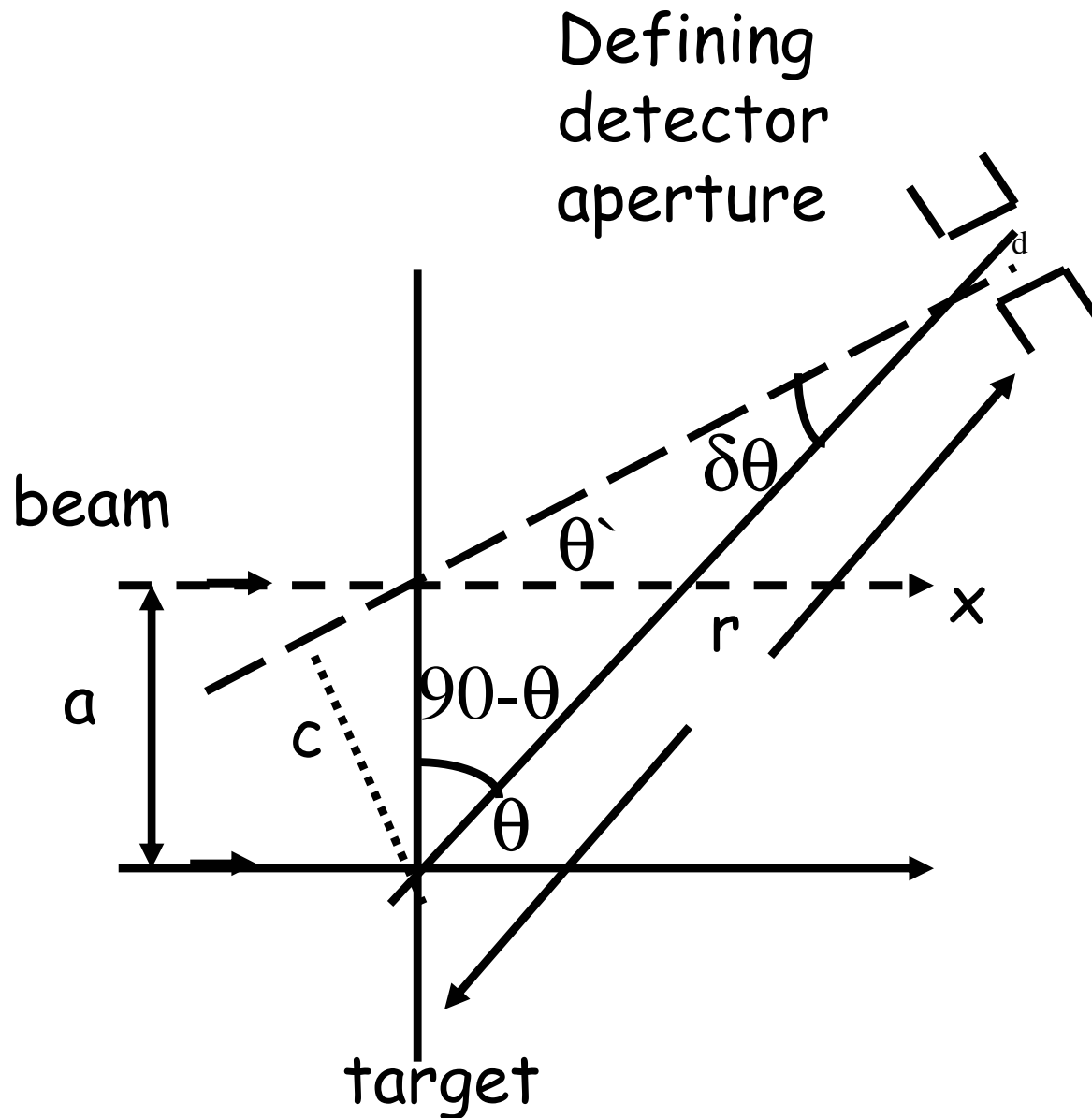




# Test Experiment



# Effect of beam spot on the angle defination of the detector:



Beam dia. =  
 $a = 2\text{mm}$   
Detector  
Distance =  
 $r = 20\text{cm}$

$$\tan \delta\theta = c / r$$
$$= a * \cos(\theta) / r$$

# Si Detectors

Si – Detectors 2.5 x 2.5 cm<sup>2</sup>

$\theta_p^\circ$	$E_p(\text{MeV})$	Reichweite ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Dicke ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
20°	8.90	570	800
30°	7.57	440	600
40°	5.92	290	380
50°	4.16	160	250
60°	2.52	70	100
70°	1.18	22	50
80°	0.3	3	12