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On the Road from Bachelor's to Master's

6 weeks spent in Forschungszentrum Juelich IKP

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How it all began:

Georgian - German School and Workshop in Basic Science :

Before talk:

- Dr. Gela Devidze: “opportunity to give a talk”
- Me: “Of course!”

My talk: “Geometry Design Study for CTA
12m telescope” (DESY Summer School 2009)

After talk:

- Dr. Hans Stroeher: “I would like to invite you for 6 weeks in FZJ”
- Me: “I’d love to come!”

After 2 months: between the exams for applying to Master’s
Program:

I’m in Forschungszentrum Juelich!!!



IKP (Institute fuer KernPhysiks) & COSY

- Dr. Andro Kacharava was very helpful, gave me a great introduction excursion on COSY, and guided me during my whole stay in IKP
- IKP's very friendly people: wishes for pleasant stay came true



❖ Georgians' great support

WHAT I SAW

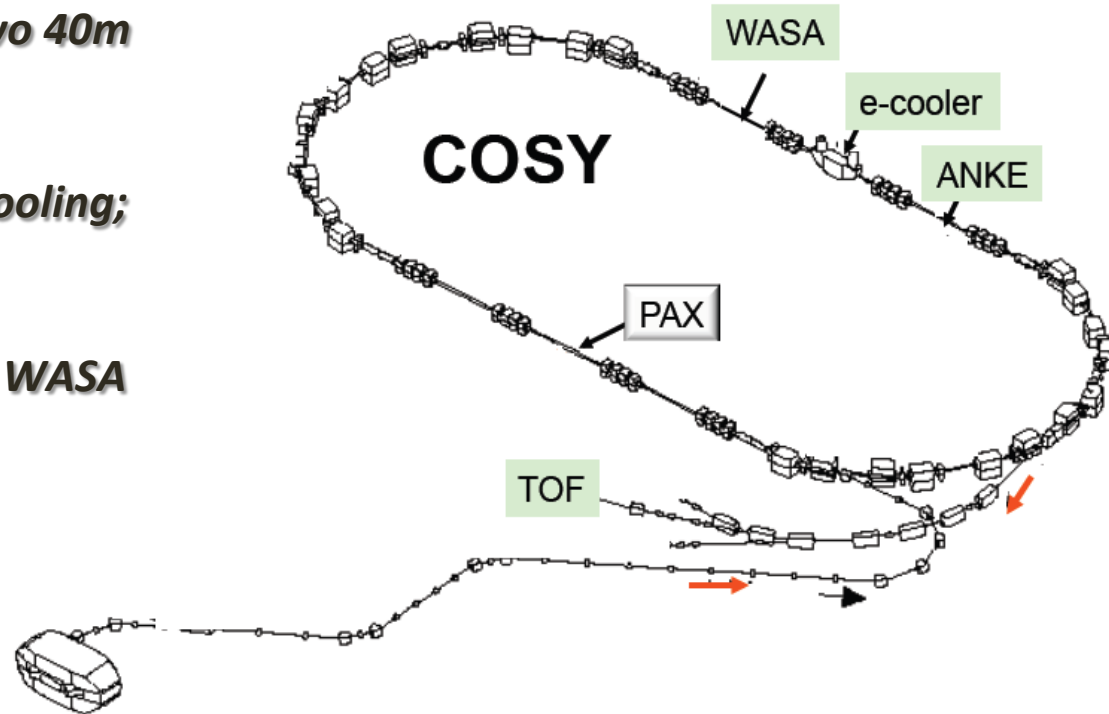
Thanks for guided tours to COSY:

**Andro Kacharava, Alex Nass, *Valerie Serduk*.
Christian Weidemann, Kirill Grigoriev,
and excursion from Bad Honnef**

COSY (COoler SYnchrotron)

- Unpolarised and transversely polarized proton and deuteron beams
- Momentum range: $300\text{ MeV}/c$ - $3.7\text{ GeV}/c$
- 183 m circumference, including two 40m straight sections
- For 300-600 MeV range: electron cooling; for higher energy: stochastic cooling
- Internal experiments: ANKE, PAX, WASA
COSY-11, EDDA;
- External: TOF, JESSICA and etc.

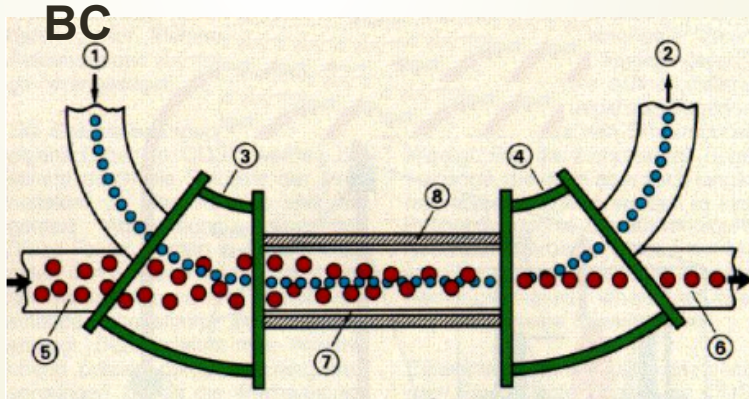
I have been on COSY 7-8 times
(much better than one 4 hour
excursion on HERA)



Why COSY is so Cool?

Electron cooling

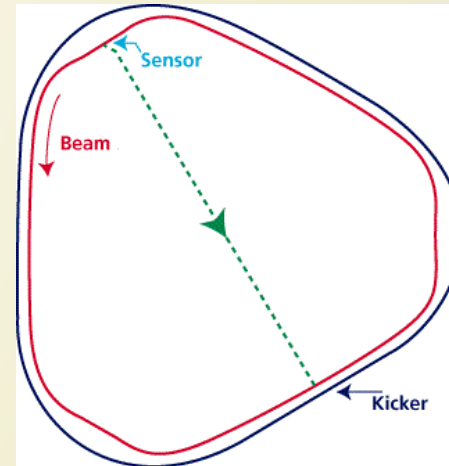
- High quality electron beam injected into the straight section
- Electrons velocities spread: 1/100 000 of the average velocity
- Average $V(\text{el}) = V(\text{pr})$
- Electron Beam Current \gg Proton



☹️: Difficult to accelerate an intense beam of electrons by more than ~100 KV

Stochastic cooling

- Sensor: the average position of circulating particles with respect to a central orbit
- Signal proportional to the displacement sent to another point
- Correcting pulse forces the particle to approach the central orbit

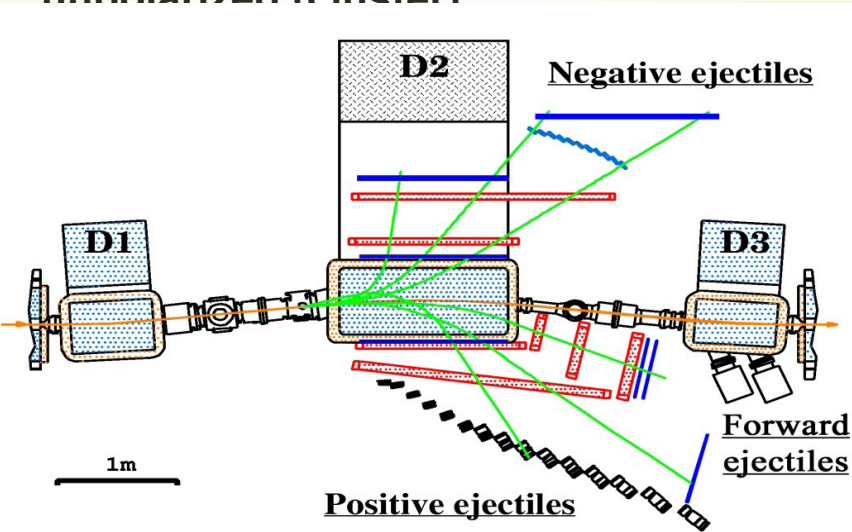
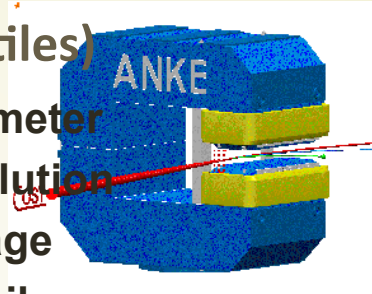


- Obvious for one particle
- Shown that works for many particles as well

EXPERIMENTS

ANKE (Apparatus for Studies of Nucleon and Kaon Ejectiles)

- Internal magnetic spectrometer
- Excellent momentum resolution
- Limited solid angle coverage
- Optimized kaon ID, Si recoil tracker
- Targets: polarized („PIT“) or unpolarized (cluster)



TOF (Time Of Flight)

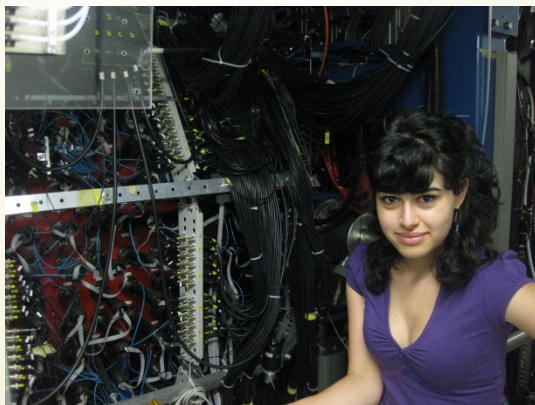
- Large angle (non magnetic) spectrometer: external exp. at COSY
- 4π geometrical coverage
- Particle Identification from Time-Of-Flight, (dE/dx)
- Target: liquid hydrogen, deuterium

EXPERIMENTS

WASA

(Wide Angle Shower Apparatus)

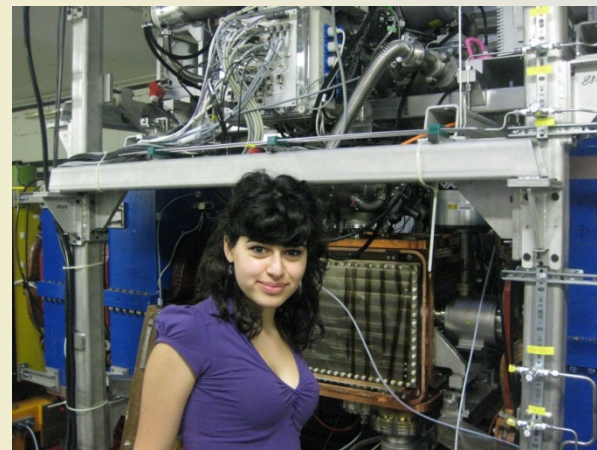
- A large-acceptance detector for charged and neutral particles.
- Pellet target
- very good momentum resolution
- No acceptance at 0°



PAX Project

(Polarised Antiproton eXperiment)

- 2010-2012: Spin Filtering Studies for protons at COSY
- 2012-2015: Spin-Filtering Studies for antiprotons at CERN AD
- After 2015:
PAX at FAIR:
Collide polarised protons and polarised antiprotons
- Motivation:
Transversity distribution,
Filling in gaps of QCD



Me, visiting PAX, earlier than many IKP scientists

WHAT I'VE LEARNED

Insight into PAX project

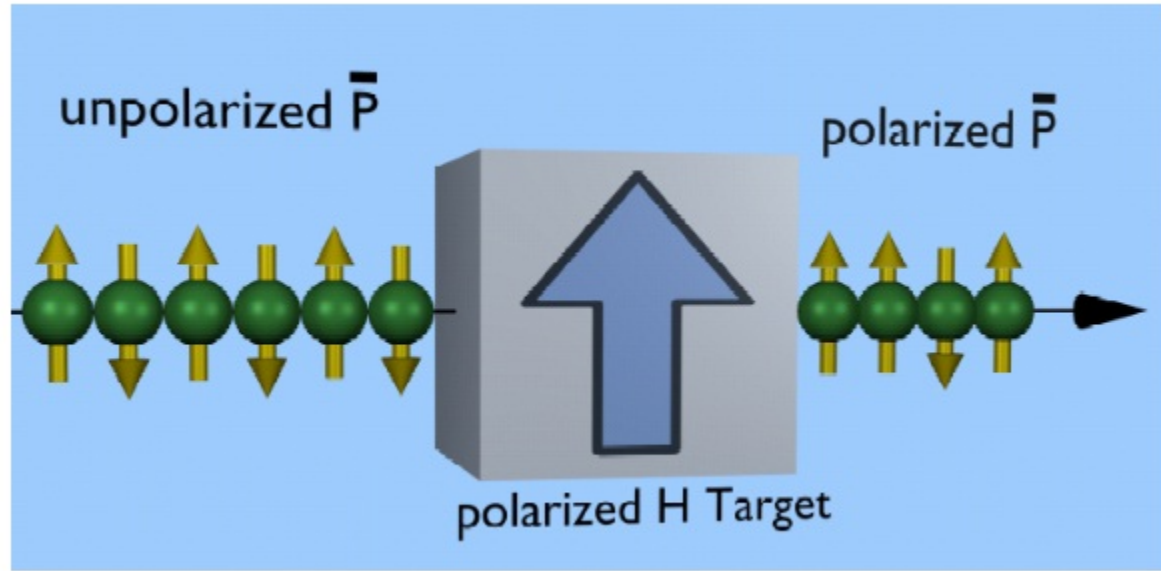
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MOTIVATION

Spin-Filtering Principle:

Unpolarized beam starts circulating in the ring

- Hits polarized target
- $\sigma(\uparrow\uparrow) \neq \sigma(\uparrow\downarrow)$
- One spin direction depleted more than the other
- A fraction of beam is lost
- BUT: the left beam is polarized



$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \sigma_0 + \sigma_{\perp} \cdot \vec{P} \cdot \vec{Q} + \sigma_{\parallel} \cdot (\vec{P} \cdot \vec{k})(\vec{Q} \cdot \vec{k})$$

\vec{P} beam polarization
 \vec{Q} target polarization
 $\vec{k} \parallel$ beam direction

- In other words: more protons with spin in particular direction.

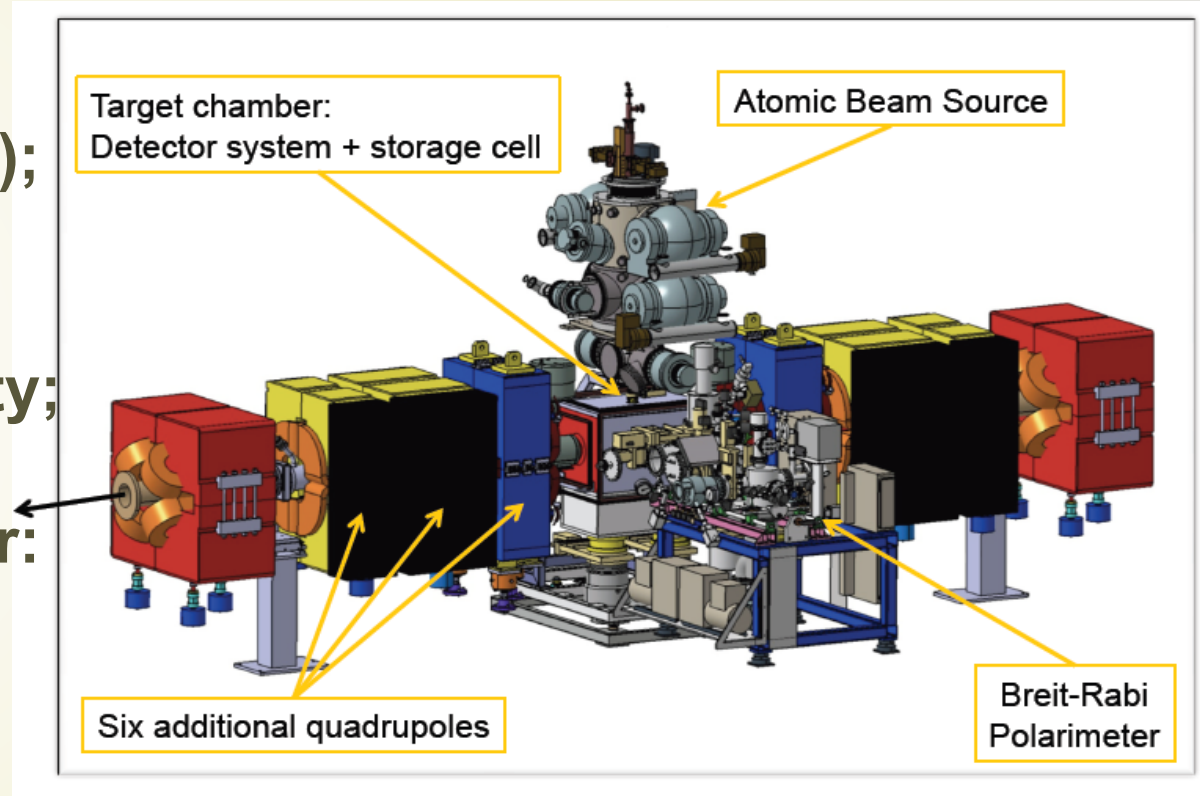
PAX hardware

Atomic Beam Source
(ABS):
polarized atoms (H, D);

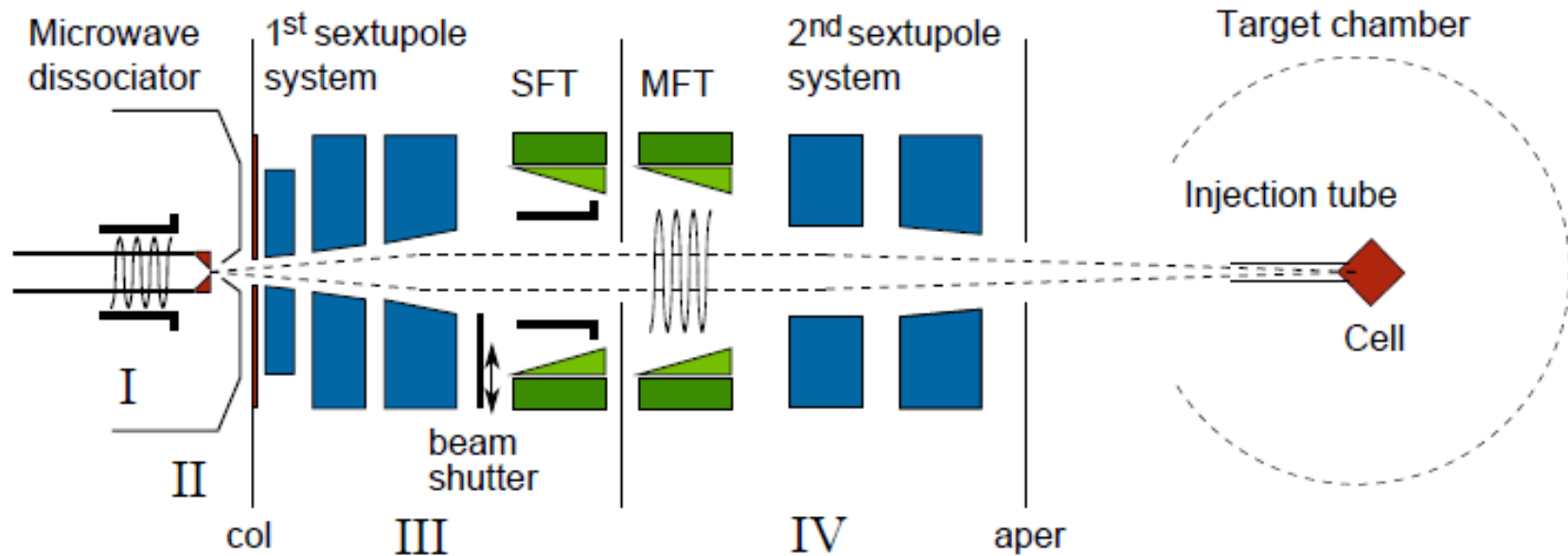
Storage cell to
increase target density;

Breit-Rabi Polarimeter:
Monitoring of target
polarization;

Silicon Tracking
Telescope:



Atomic Beam Source



Ionization of hydrogen atoms doesn't change polarization of protons

Hydrogen hyperfine states

Electron Spin: $S=1/2$

$m \downarrow j = \pm 1/2$

Proton Spin: $I=1/2$

$m \downarrow I = \pm 1/2$

Total angular momentum: $F=S+I$

$F=0$: $m \downarrow F = 0$

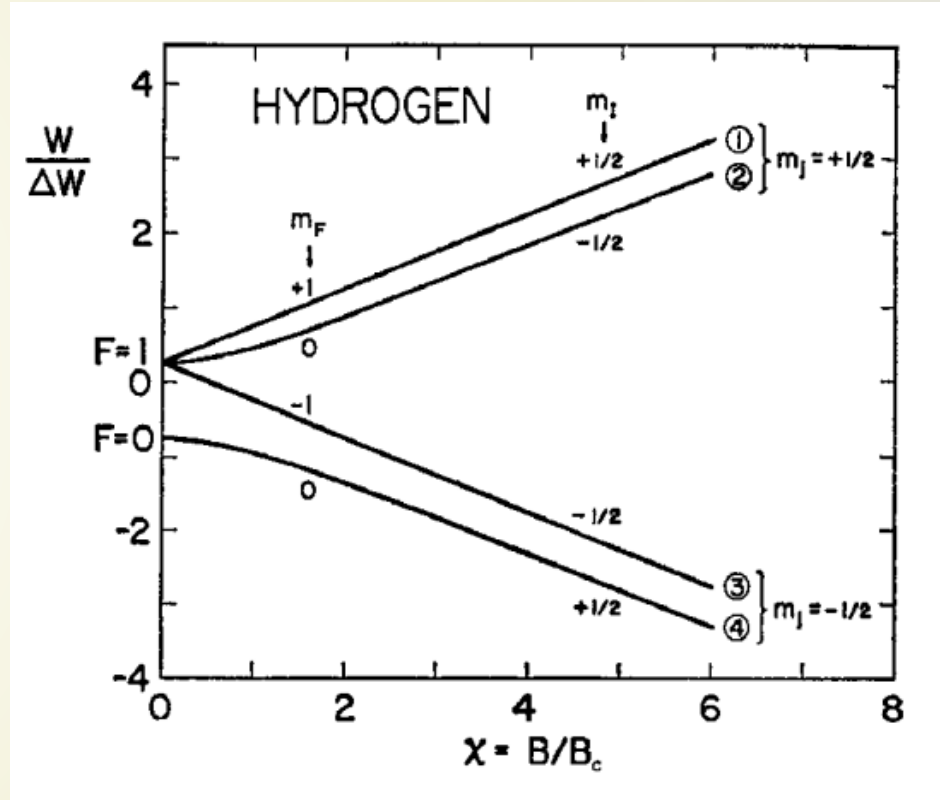
$F=1$: $m \downarrow F = 0, \pm 1$

No external field:

$\Delta W \approx 6 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ eV}$

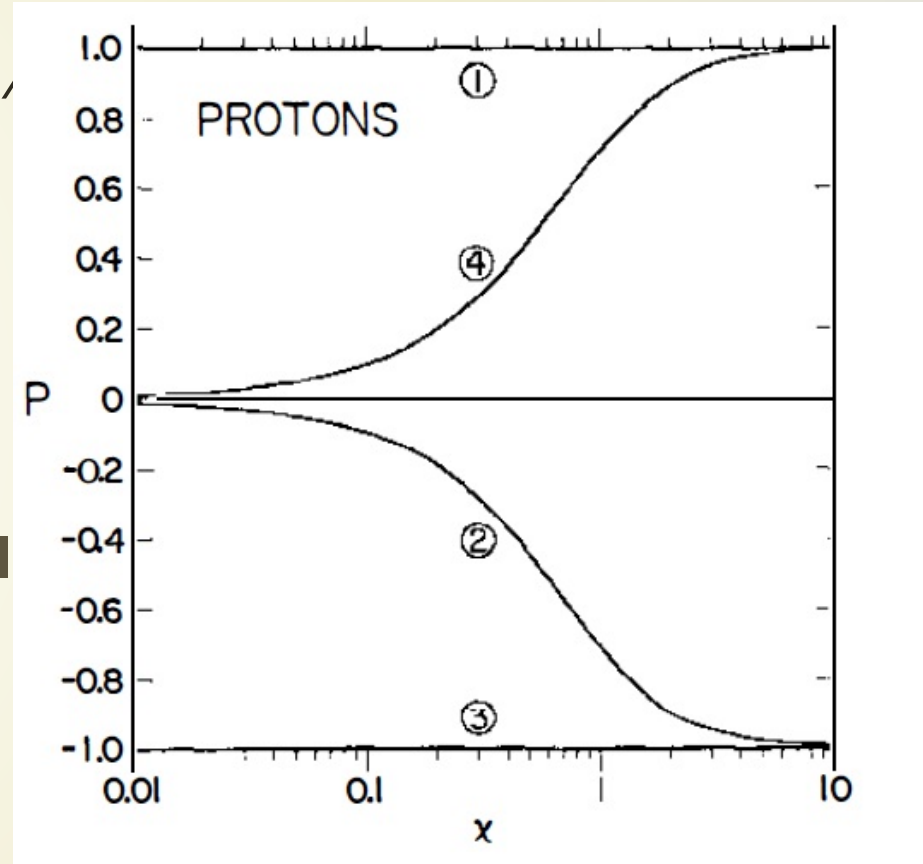
(electron and proton spins interaction)

With field: Zeeman splitting of $F=1$ state



Proton polarization

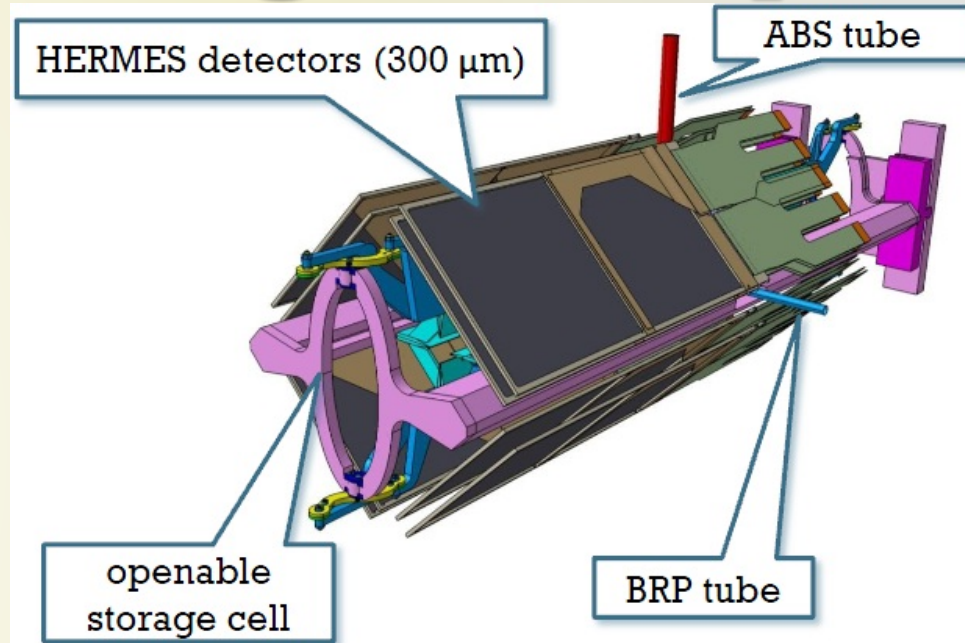
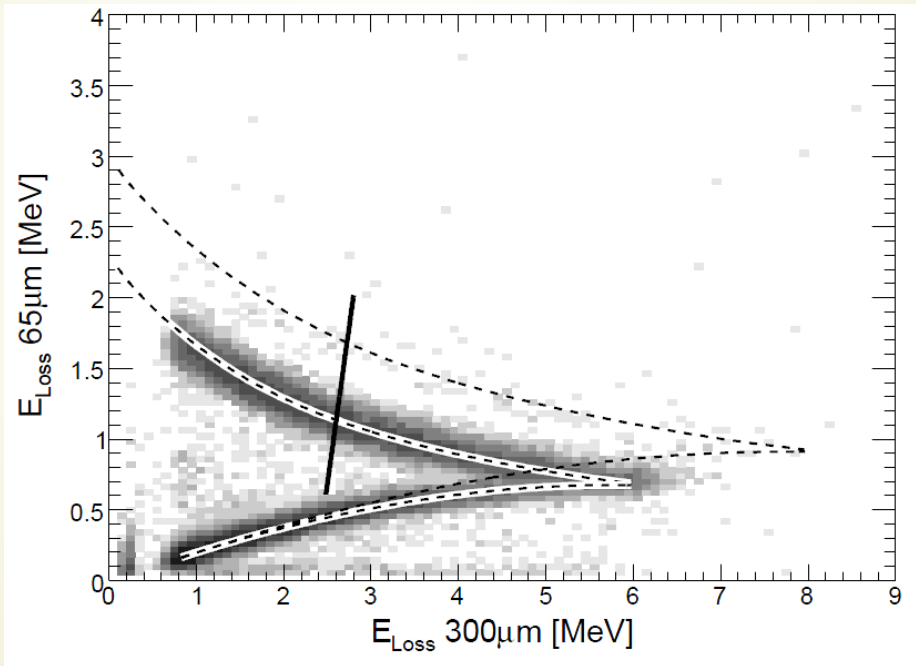
- Polarization: $P = N_{\uparrow} - N_{\downarrow}$,
 $N_{\uparrow} + N_{\downarrow}$
- Weak field:
- [1] , [2] $\rightarrow P=0.5$
- [2] \rightarrow [4] or [1] \rightarrow [3] possible
- Strong field:
 $P = 1.0$ or $P = -1.0$



Silicon Tracking Telescope

3 layers of double – sided silicon-strip detectors

Surround storage cell from 4 sides



Particle tracking -> Vertex

Stopping particle -> Total energy

Distinguishing protons and deuterons

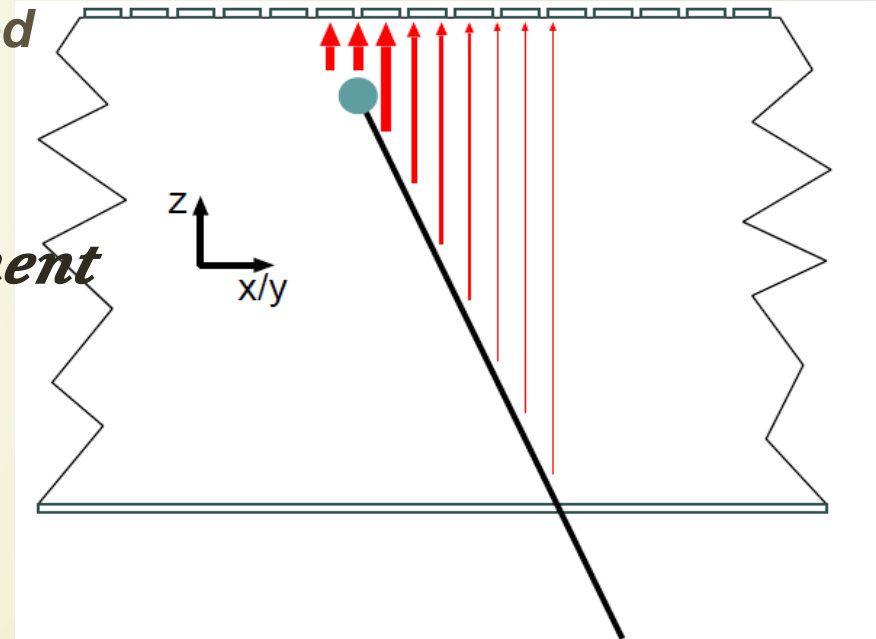
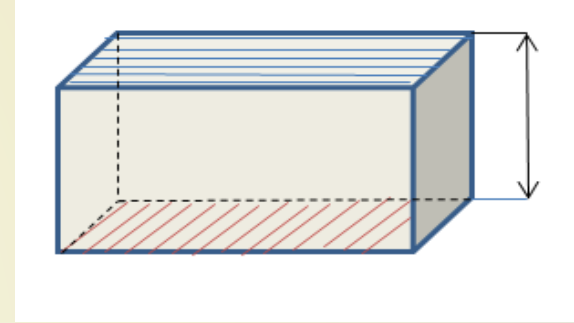
Silicon detector (Energy)

- *n-doped stripes (30 μm)*
- *p-doped stripes (30 μm)*
- *Particle moves through detector->*

Electron-hole couple: 3.6 eV

- *p-n junctions: energy transferred to the semiconductor.*
- *The sum of energy losses*

$$E_{\text{sum}} = \sum \text{segments} \cdot E_{\text{segment}}$$
- *To determine the total energy, particle should be stopped in the detector*



OBSERVABLES

$k \downarrow in$ - incident wave vector

OZ $\uparrow\uparrow k \downarrow in$

OY $\uparrow\uparrow k \downarrow in \times k \downarrow out$

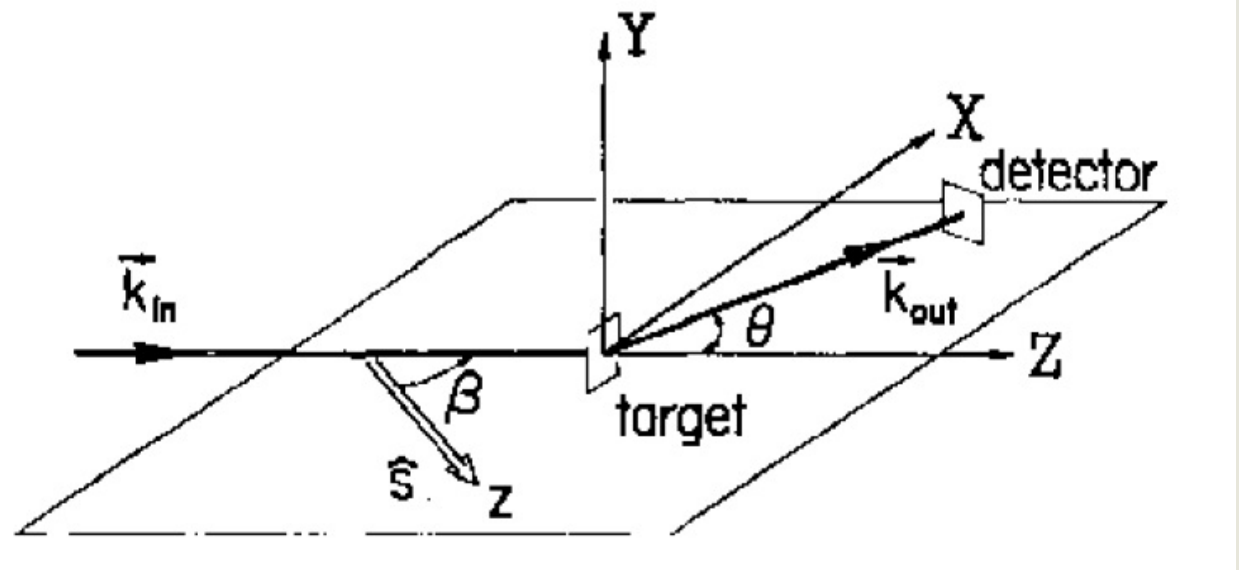
OX $\uparrow\uparrow OY \times OZ$

s -polarization axis

$$\beta = \angle(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{Z})$$

$$\theta = \angle(\mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{k} \downarrow out)$$

$$\varphi = \angle(\mathbf{X}, [\mathbf{s} \times \mathbf{k} \downarrow in])$$



$$\sigma(\theta, \varphi) = \sigma_0(\theta) [1 + P A_y \cos \varphi]$$

ONLY the polarization component **normal** to reaction plane affects the cross section

A_y - **Analyzing Power** of the reaction: the polarization, obtained in the reaction, initiated with an unpolarized beam.

WHAT I DID

Back to ROOT

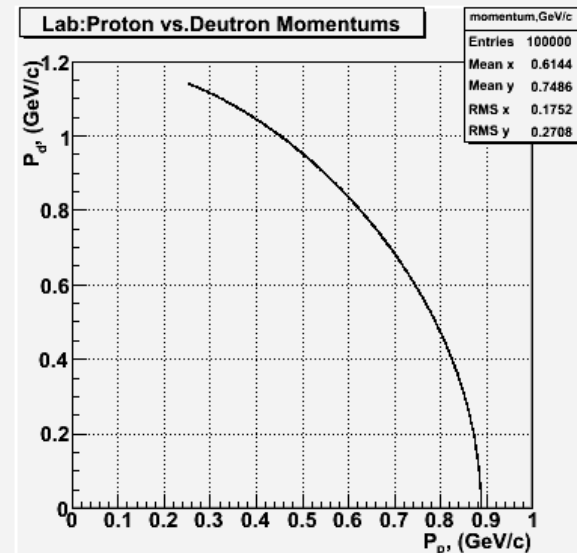
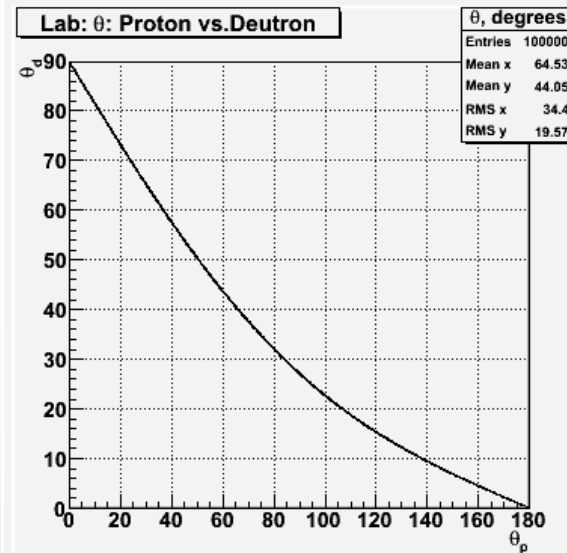
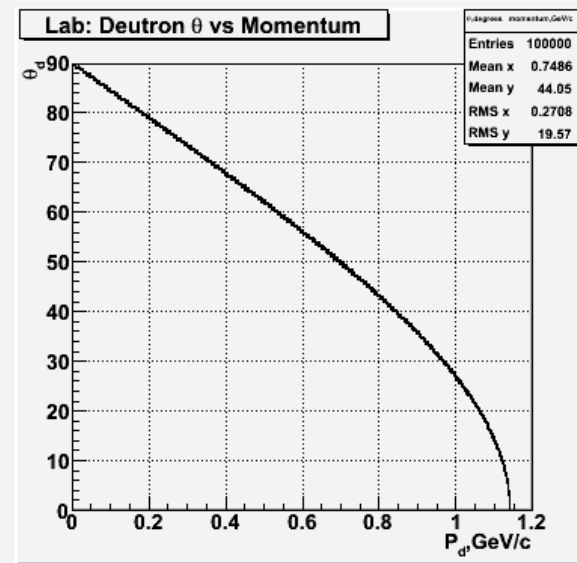
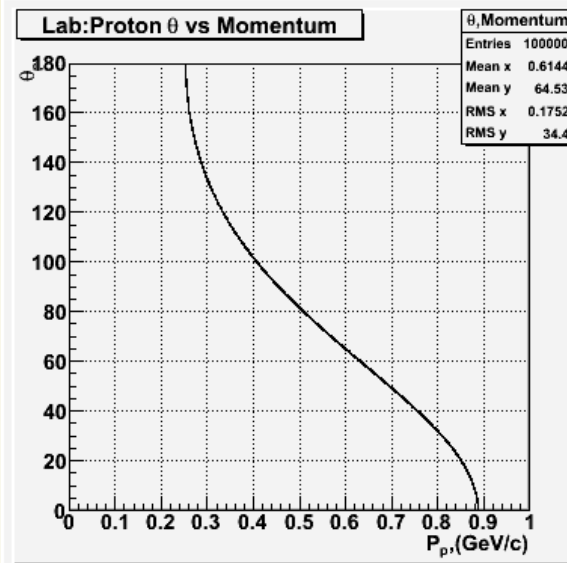
(not that I had big experience before, but still)

KINEMATICS

- $p \downarrow a + p \downarrow b \rightarrow p \downarrow 1 + p \downarrow 2$
- $s = (p \downarrow a + p \downarrow b)^2$ is known
- Interesting dependences : $p \downarrow 1$ vs. $\theta \downarrow 1$, $p \downarrow 2$ vs. $\theta \downarrow 2$, $\theta \downarrow 1$ vs. $\theta \downarrow 2$
- $p \downarrow 1 = \sqrt{\lambda(t, m \downarrow b^2, m \downarrow 1^2)} / 2m \downarrow b$ where $t = (p \downarrow b - p \downarrow 2)^2$, $u = (p \downarrow a - p \downarrow 2)^2$
- $p \downarrow 2 = \sqrt{\lambda(u, m \downarrow b^2, m \downarrow 2^2)} / 2m \downarrow b$ $\lambda(x, y, z) = (x - y - z)^2 - 4yz$
- $tg\theta \downarrow 1 = \sin\theta \downarrow 1^* / \gamma(\cos\theta \downarrow 1^* + g \downarrow 1^*)$ $g \uparrow^* = v/v \uparrow^* =$
Velocity of LCS in CM / Velocity of particle in CM
- $tg\theta \downarrow 2 = \sin\theta \downarrow 1^* / \gamma(-\cos\theta \downarrow 1^* + g \downarrow 2^*)$ $g \uparrow^* < 1$
 $0 < \theta < 180^\circ$
- $g \uparrow^* \geq 1$ $\theta < \theta \uparrow max \leq 90^\circ$

Kinematics: elastic Proton- Deuteron scattering

- TGenPhaseSpace Class
- T-353 MeV
- θ – p dependence for Protons and for Deutrons
- Proton vs. Deuteron:
 θ 's and p's

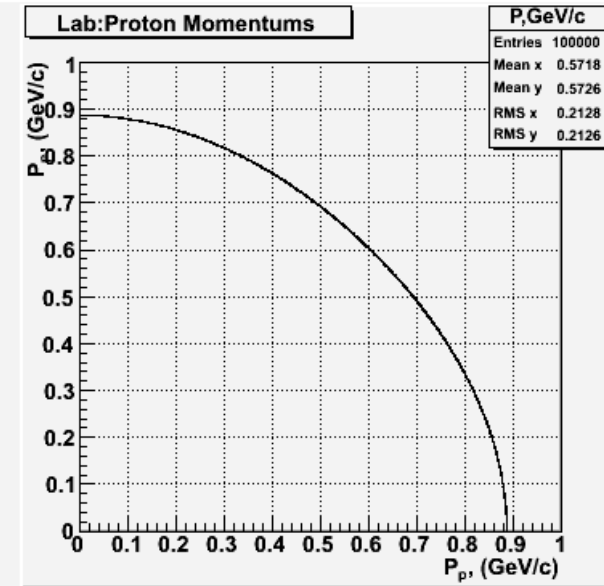
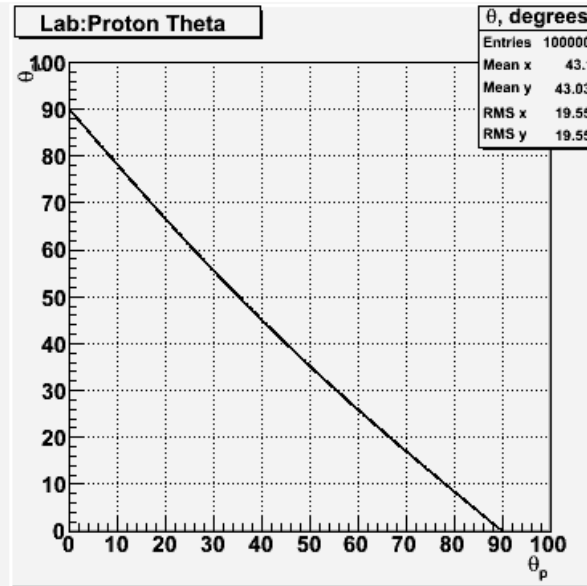
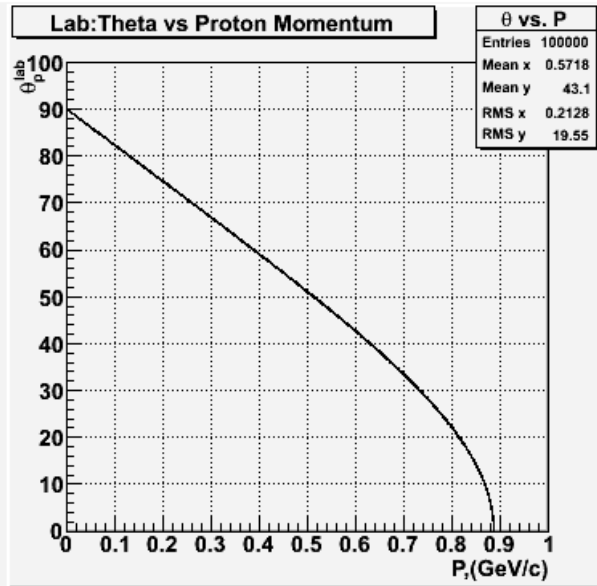


Analysis tools: kinematics pp elastic scattering

T=353 MeV

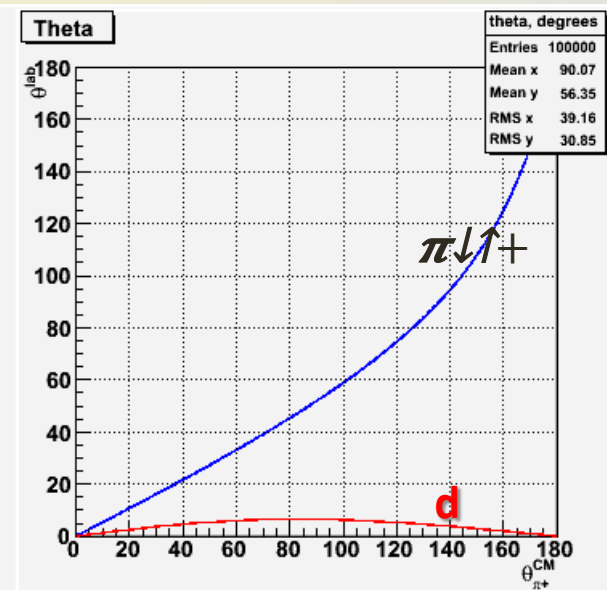
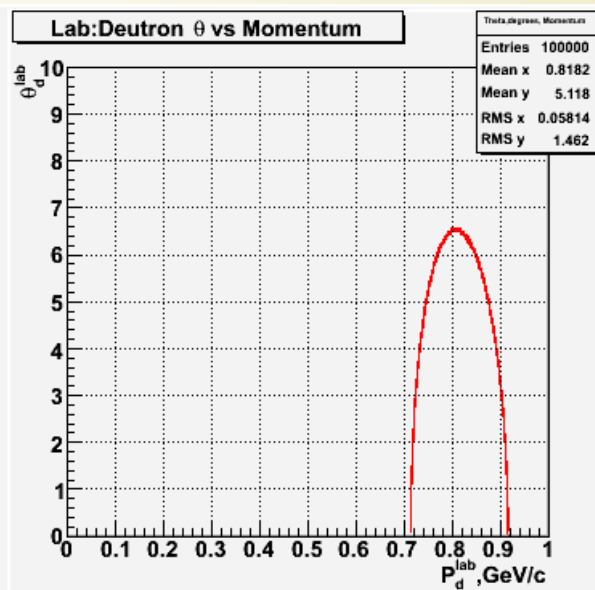
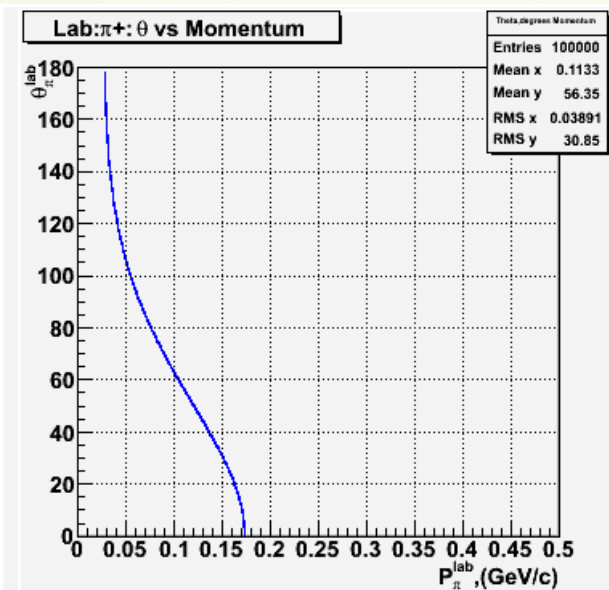
Used for beam
polarization
measurement
- Large Analysing
Power

- Laboratory Coordinate System: θ - θ ,
 θ - p , p - p dependences



Kinematics($pp \rightarrow \pi^+ + d$)

$\sqrt{s} = 353$ MeV



Analysis Tools: Simulations

- **GEANT 4**

(describe the passage of elementary particles through the matter)

- The tracking of particles through an experimental setup for simulation of detector response
- The graphical representation of the setup and of the particle trajectories

NEED TO LEARN!

LAST BUT NOT LEAST

Hadron Physics Summer School in Bad Honnef

- Interesting lectures
- Working group : Rare η decays

(Dr. Andreas Wirzba & Dr. Magnus Wolke)

- My task: Motivation



- Interesting discussions with other students and a lot of fun

- Pleasant atmosphere of Bad Honnef

CONCLUSION

Before Visit:

- Huge amount of names and notions:

COSY, ANKE, PAX, FAIR, and of course, spin-filtering

- confused & tired

After Visit:

- Even larger ocean of notions:

Atomic Beam Source, Breit-Rabi Polarimeter, Silicon Tracking Telescope

- BUT knowledge receives some shape: happy & interested

**Found IKP and Juelich very cosy
Have a desire to come back**

P.S. Just an interesting fact:

- PAX experiment timeline nicely matches with my educational timeline:
- 2010-2012: PAX @ COSY Me@Master's Program
- 2012-2015: PAX@CERN ME@PhD
- 2015-2020: PAX@FAIR Me@ PostDoc

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