Initial state radiation experiment @ MAMI

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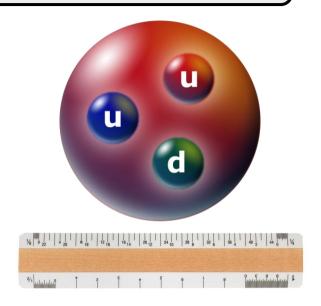
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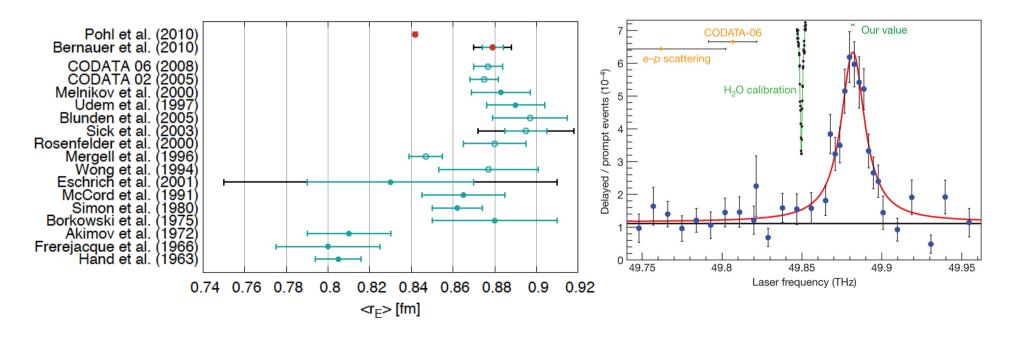


The proton radius puzzle

- What is the size of the proton ?

- Many different measurements (scattering exp., Lamb shift) done through the years.
- Consistent results.
- New μ -p Lamb measurement, 7σ away.
- Further investigations necessary.





Elastic Cross-Section measurement

- Radius can be obtained by measuring cross section of H(e,e')p:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{Mott} \frac{1}{1+\tau} \left[G_E^2(Q^2) + \frac{\tau}{\varepsilon}G_M^2(Q^2)\right]$$
$$\varepsilon = \left[1 + 2(1+\tau)\tan^2\frac{\vartheta_e}{2}\right]^{-1} \qquad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4m_p^2},$$

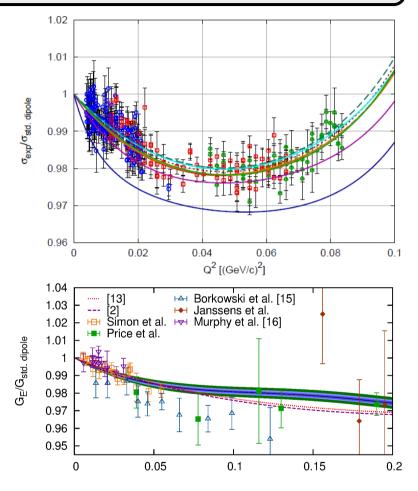
- Extraction of FF via Rosenbluth, Super-Rosenbluth Separation:

$$G_E(Q^2) \approx G^{Dipole}(Q^2) = \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{0.71}\right)^{-2}$$

- Best estimate for radius:

$$\left\langle r_E^2 \right\rangle = -6\hbar^2 \frac{d}{dQ^2} G_E(Q^2) \Big|_{Q^2 = 0}$$

$$\rho_{Dipole}(r) = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(\frac{12}{\langle r_E^2 \rangle}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \exp\left(-r\sqrt{\frac{12}{\langle r_E^2 \rangle}}\right)$$

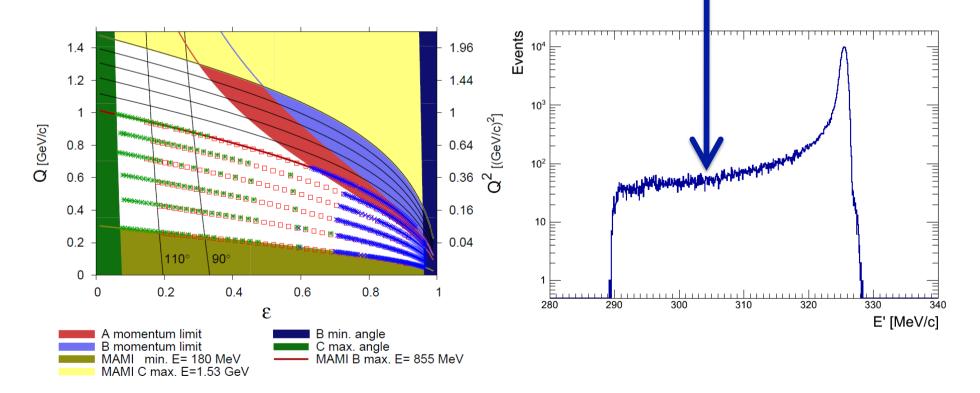


No data at lowest Q^2 . Determination of proton radius depends on the slope of FF (Q^2 ->0).

Exploiting the radiative tail

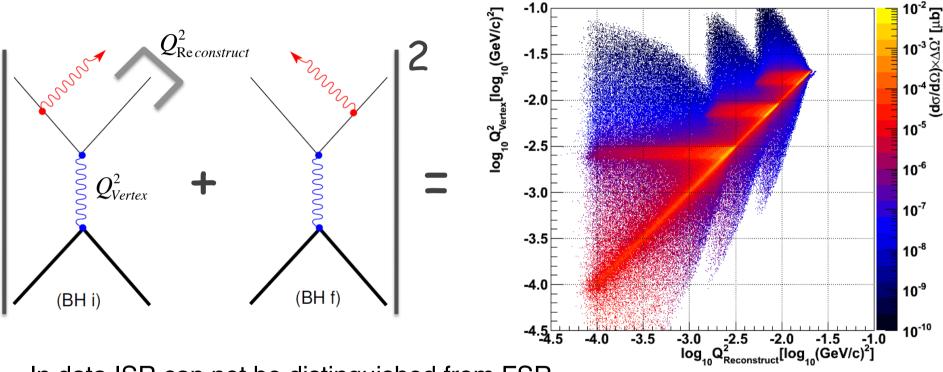
- To test the behavior of FFs at Q² ~0, elastic cross-section measurements at lower Q² would be needed.
- Lowest Q² is constrained by the limitations of experimental apparatus (Beam Energy, Scattering angle ...).

WAY AROUND: Use information stored in the radiative tail.



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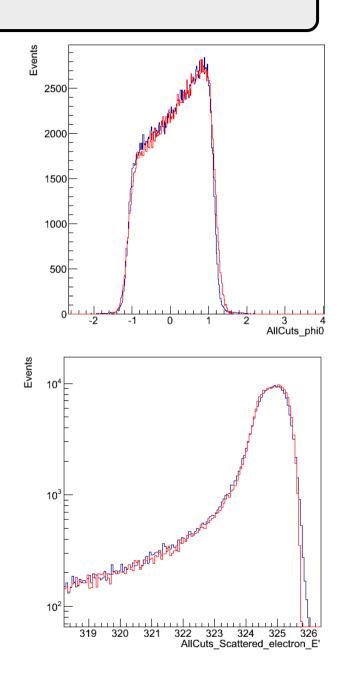
- Radiative tail dominated by coherent sum of two Bethe-Heitler diagrams.



- In data ISR can not be distinguished from FSR.
- Combining data to the Simulation, ISR information can be reached.
- Idea behind new MAMI experiment to extract GeP at Q² ~ 10⁻⁴ (GeV/c)²
- Redundancy measurements at higher Q² for testing this approach in a region, where FFs are well known.

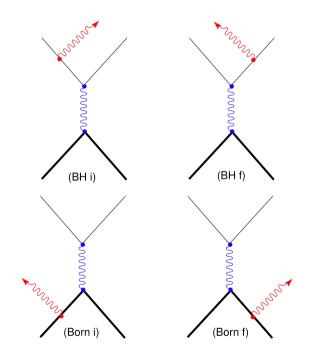
Simul++

- In the experiment the G_e^p will not be directly extracted from data.
- <u>FF are camouflaged</u> by effects that accompany FSR and ISR diagrams (Born diagrams, vertex corrections).
- Approach analogous to Bernauer et al. will be used, where simulated distributions are directly compared to measured data.
- Simulate **ep->epγ** with a sophisticated Monte-Carlo simulation Simul++.
- Simulation will be run with various values of G_E^p . Contribution of G_M^p is neglected @ Q²~0.
- Final values of FFs will be determined by a χ^2 -minimization.



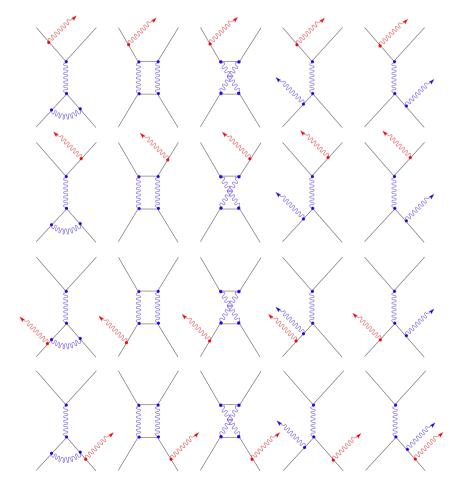
Going beyond simple approximation

- Simul++ employs an advanced event generator, which exactly calculates amplitudes for four leading order diagrams.



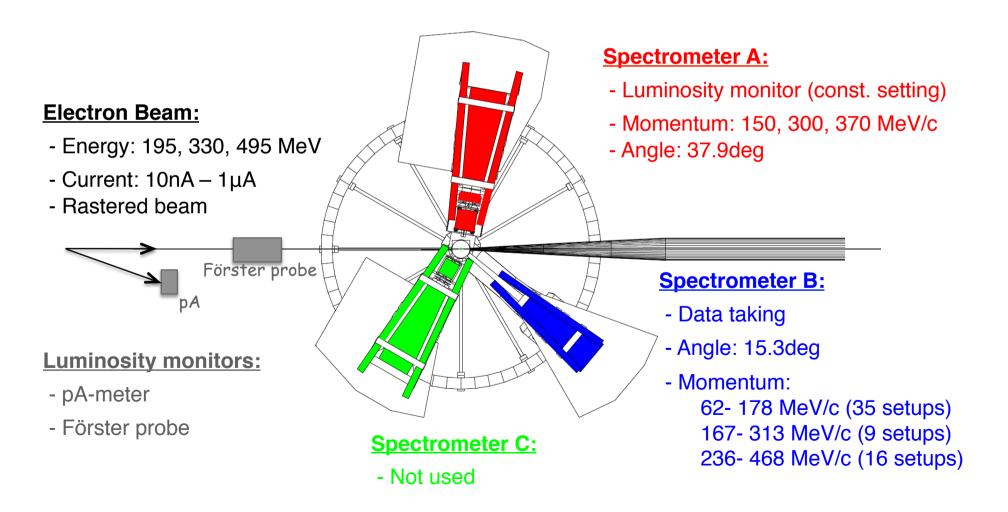
 Precise spectrometer acceptances, particle energy-losses and rescatterings are also implemented.

- Next order terms considered via effective correction to the cross-section.



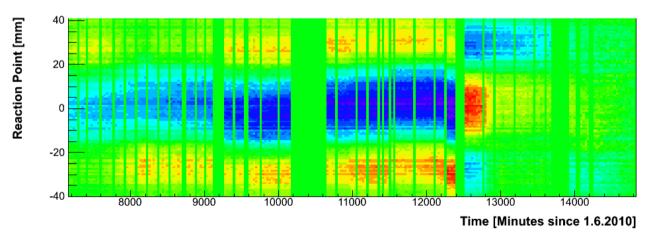
First experiment

- First measurements done in 2010. Three weeks of data taking. (2 weeks with full target, 1 week with empty target)
- **Purpose:** Is the experiment feasible? Discover potential problems.



Handicaps of the pilot measurement

- For many momentum settings <u>no NMR</u> available. Spectrometer momentum determined using <u>Hall probes</u>, which not absolutely calibrated.
- Optics matrix needs adjustments to improve resolution.
- Due to poor vacuum and low beam intensities, layer of **cryogens covered the target cell**.

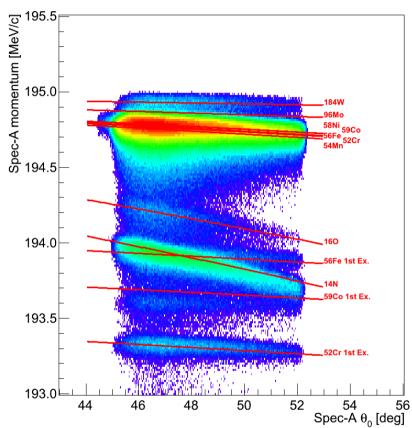


- + Cryogenic depositions consist of residual Nitrogen, Oxygen and H₂O.
- + Disturbs Luminosity determination.
- + Amount of snow changes irregularly with time.

Improvements for the full experiment

To minimize the thickness of cryogens:

- Ensured <u>better vacuum</u> in target chamber ($10^{-4} \rightarrow 10^{-6}$ mbar).
- New target windows.
- Additional Aramid windows.
- Fixing Spectrometer A to elastic settings to see effects of snow gathering more clearly.

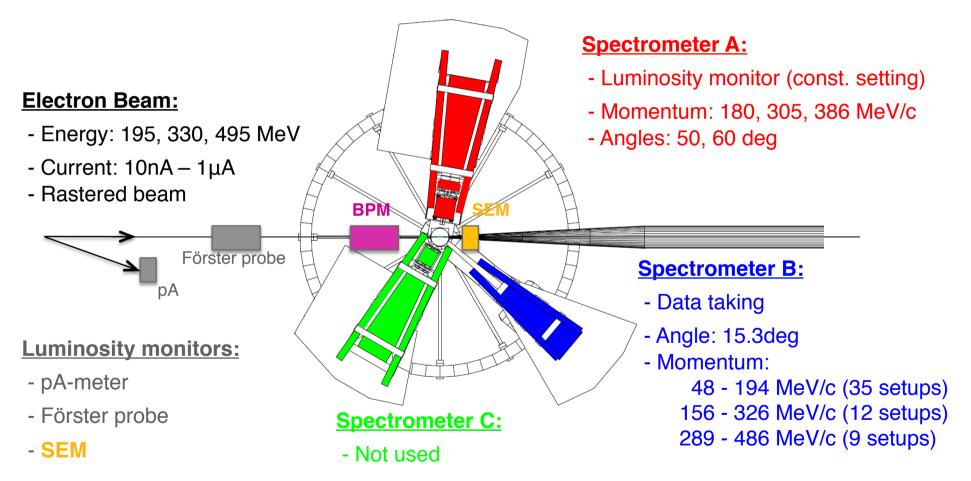


Spectrometer optics:

- Ensured that NMR signal is present for all kinematic points.
- Dedicated 2-week beam time for the optics calibration.
- Detailed analysis of detector efficiencies.
- For each kin. setting solid-state target data were collected.

Full experiment

- Full experiment done in August 2013. Four weeks of data taking.

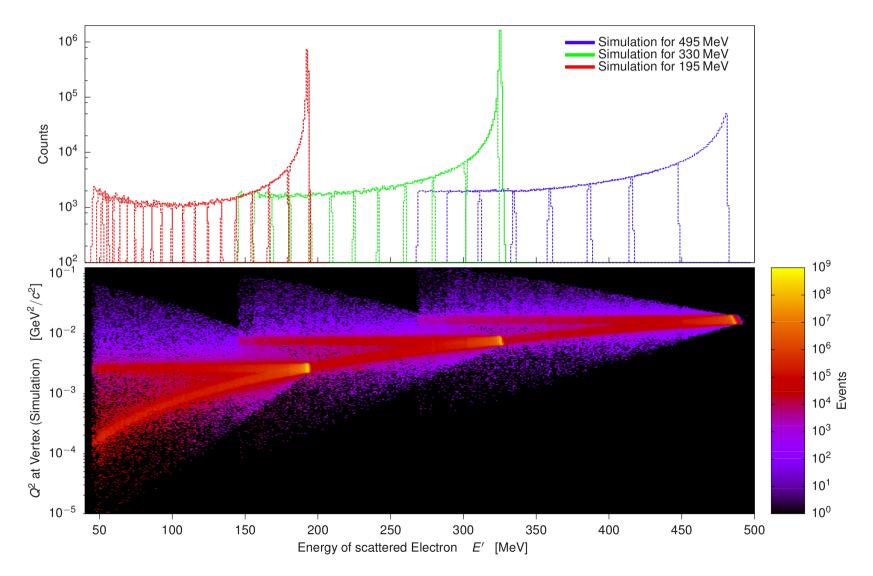


Beam control module:

- Communicates with MAMI and ensures very stable beam.
- BPM and pA meter measurements performed automatically every 3min.

Kinematic settings of the full experiment

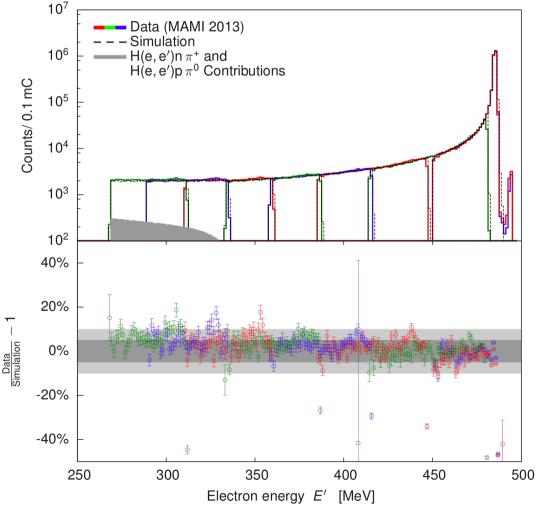
- Measured kinematic points and corresponding Q^2 at vertex.
- Three kinematic regions overlap to verify ISR approach.



First Results

- First findings of online analysis.
- Data are normalized to 0.1mC using Forster probe & Spek-A.
- Only acceptance and Vertex-z cuts considered.
- Pion production processes contribute ~10% at smallest momenta.
- Coarse structure on top of distributions caused by changing detection efficiency.
- Visible effects of finite resolution. (wall contributions still present)
- Agreement between data and simulation justifies use of Simul++.





Conclusions

- Proton radius puzzle is an important open question of nuclear physics.
- A new experiment is underway at MAMI to measure G_E^p at very low Q².
- A new technique is being used based on ISR, which exploits information from <u>radiative tail</u> to determine FF at lowest Q².
- First test measurements in 2010 revealed problems with <u>cryogens covering the target</u> <u>cell</u> and spectrometer optics.
- All diagnosed obstacles were addressed.
- Full experiment was successfully run in August 2013.
- Data analysis is now underway.

