



DEUTERON PHOTODISINTEGRATION

$$d(\vec{\gamma}, n)p \quad \text{at} \quad HI\vec{\gamma}S$$

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HIGH INTENSITY GAMMA SOURCE COLLABORATION

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RESEARCH OUTLINE

- Outline of the Experiment
 - Duke Free Electron Laser Laboratory- HIGS -
 - Experimental Setup
 - Data Analyzing
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Outline of the Experiment

- A measurement of the neutron asymmetries and angular distributions for the $d(\vec{\gamma}, n)p$ reaction at 10 to 50 MeV.
 - Deuteron - Simplest nuclear system –
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Relevant Theories

- **Effective Field Theories** in which certain symmetries of QCD are used to simplify the fundamental quark-gluon interactions into something that can be computed.
 - **Potential Models** (Arenhövel et al.1998) do not contain any reference to QCD but instead model the interactions as exchanges of composite particles like pions and other heavier mesons.
 - **BBN** – deuterium production lies at the foundation of the BBN reaction chain.
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DFELL - High Intensity Gamma Source (HIGS)

Research at HIGS is concentrated on:

- The Gerasimov-Drell-Hearn (GDH) Sum Rule measurements on the Deuteron
 - Parity assignments to states using Nuclear Resonance (NRF) with emphasis on studies of the scissors mode states.
 - Few-body studies
 - Compton Scattering
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The Gerasimov-Drell-Hern (GDH) Sum Rule

- The GDH Sum Rule for a nucleon is;

$$\int_{\omega_{\pi}}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_A^N - \sigma_P^N}{\omega} d\omega = -2\pi^2 \alpha \left(\frac{\kappa_N}{m_N} \right)^2$$

$\omega_{\pi} \rightarrow$ Threshold energy for pion production from the nucleon

σ_P^N (σ_A^N) \rightarrow Total inelastic photon cross section when the nucleon and photon angular momenta are parallel (antiparallel)

$m_N \rightarrow$ The mass of the nucleon

$\kappa_N \rightarrow$ The anomalous magnetic moment of the nucleon

- Since the left hand side of the equation can not be measured to infinite photon energy, we can write it as,

$$\int_{\omega_{\pi}}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_A^N - \sigma_P^N}{\omega} d\omega = \int_{\omega_{\pi}}^{\omega_{\max}} \frac{\sigma_A^N - \sigma_P^N}{\omega} d\omega + \int_{\omega_{\max}}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_A^N - \sigma_P^N}{\omega} d\omega$$

- The resultant “GDH” sum rule for deuteron is given by

$$\int_{\omega_2}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_A^d - \sigma_P^d}{\omega} d\omega = -2\pi^2 \alpha \left(\frac{\kappa_d}{m_d} \right)^2$$

$\omega_2 \rightarrow$ The threshold energy for photodisintegration

$m_d (\kappa_d) \rightarrow$ The mass (anomalous magnetic moment) of the deuteron

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- The GDH integral for the deuteron can be separated into three pieces

$$-2\pi^2\alpha\left(\frac{\kappa_d}{m_d}\right)^2 = -0.6\mu b$$

$$\int_{\omega_2}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_A^d - \sigma_P^d}{\omega} d\omega = \int_{\omega_2}^{\omega_\pi} \frac{\sigma_A^d - \sigma_P^d}{\omega} d\omega + \int_{\omega_\pi}^{\omega_{\max}} \frac{\sigma_A^d - \sigma_P^d}{\omega} d\omega + \int_{\omega_{\max}}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_A^d - \sigma_P^d}{\omega} d\omega = -0.6\mu b$$

- First term on the RHS will be measured at HIGS
 - Second term was measured at LEGS
 - The third term is taken from measurements on the neutron and proton plus trivial calculations.
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- If the sum rule is valid then the difference between the sum rule value of the integral and the measured piece must equal the integral from ω_{\max} to ∞

For proton:

$$\int_{\omega_{\max}}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_A^p - \sigma_p^p}{\omega} d\omega = -2\pi^2 \alpha \left(\frac{K_p}{m_p} \right)^2 - \int_{\omega_{\pi}}^{\omega_{\max}} \frac{\sigma_A^p - \sigma_p^p}{\omega} d\omega$$

For neutron:

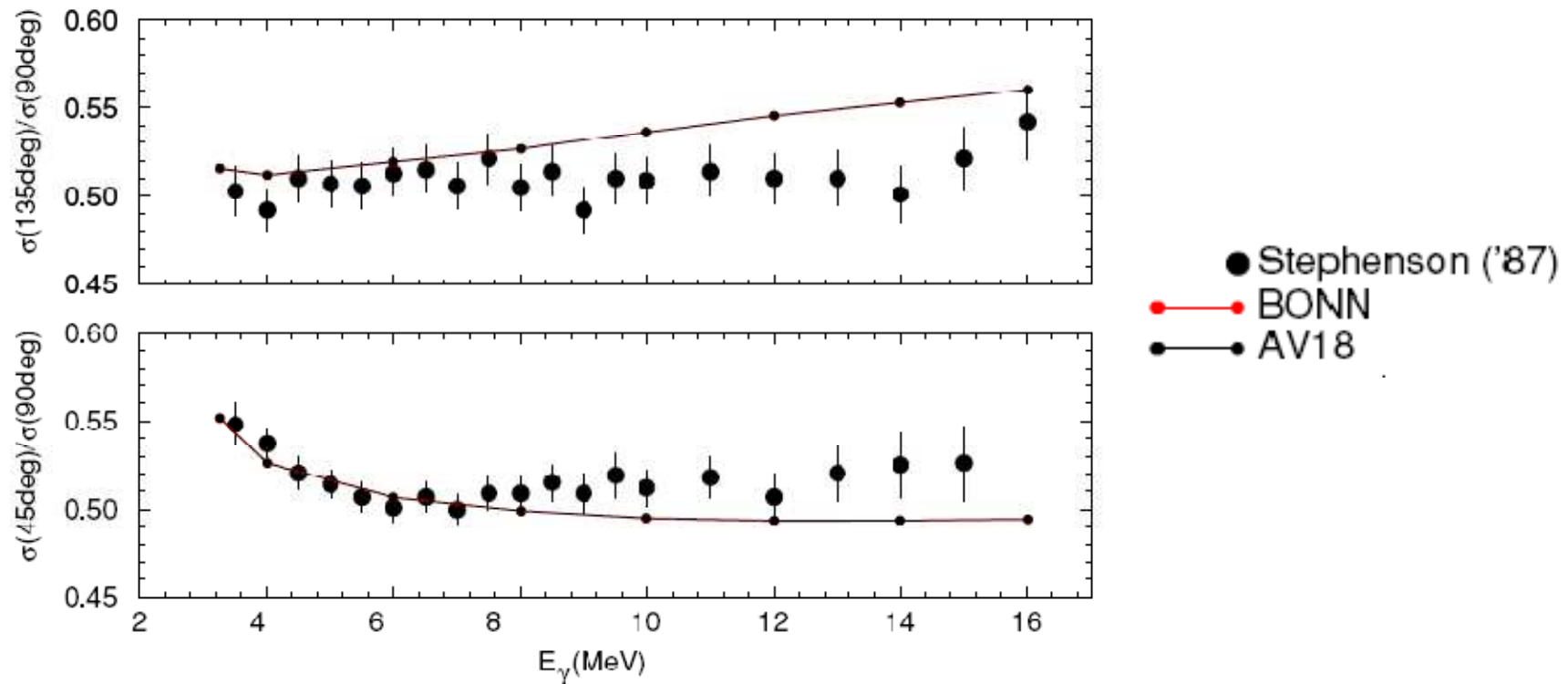
$$\int_{\omega_{\max}}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_A^n - \sigma_p^n}{\omega} d\omega = -2\pi^2 \alpha \left(\frac{K_n}{m_n} \right)^2 - \int_{\omega_{\pi}}^{\omega_{\max}} \frac{\sigma_A^n - \sigma_p^n}{\omega} d\omega$$

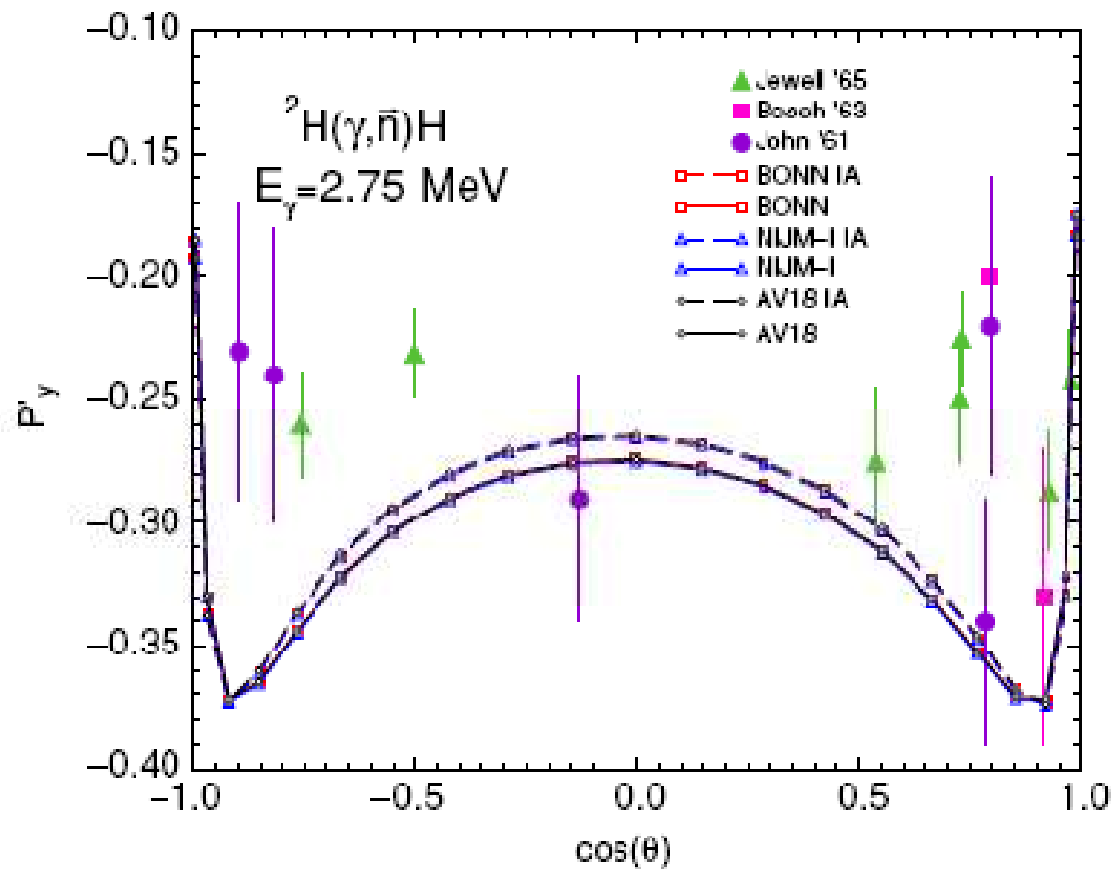
The discrepancies in the experimental results of few-body systems

- Binding energy of deuteron- ^3He - ^3H
 - $d(\gamma, n)$ results from Schiavilla
 - $d(e, e' p)$ results from Darmstadt
 - Analyzing power $A_y(\theta)$
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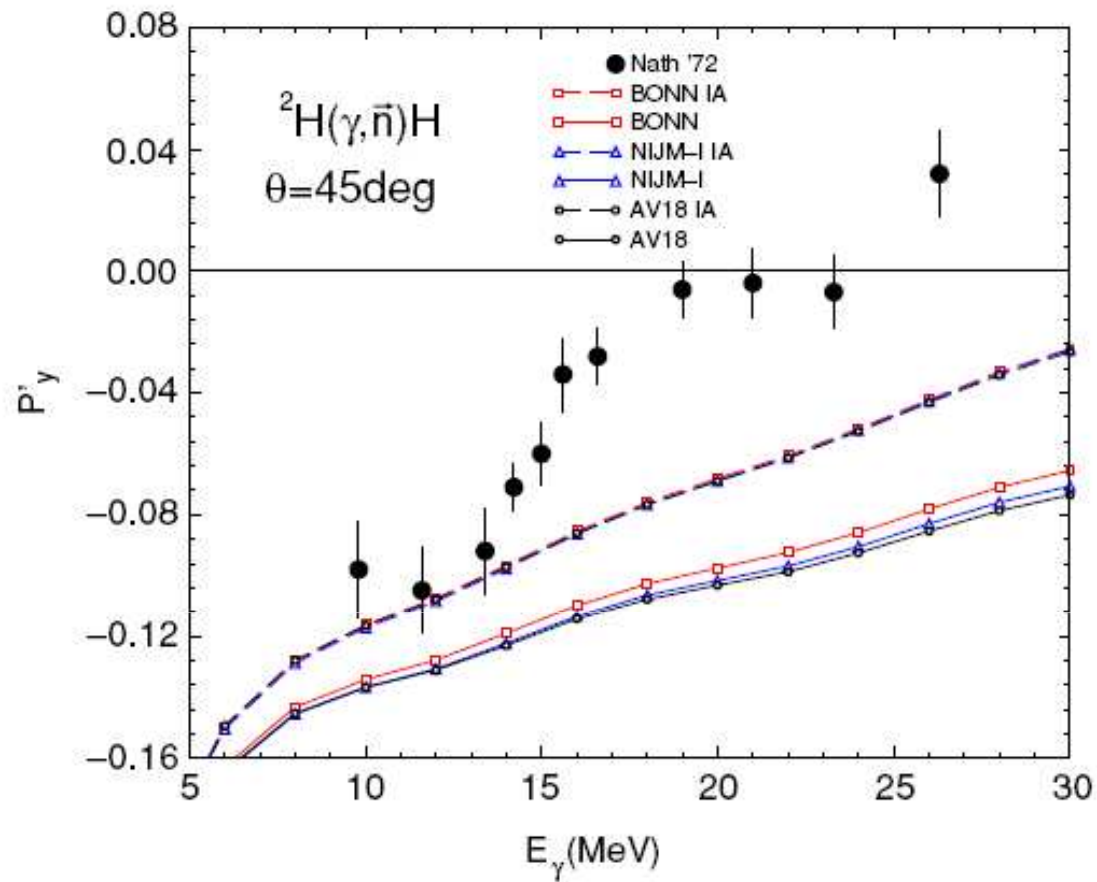
Results from Induced Polarization in the ${}^2\text{H}(\gamma, n){}^1\text{H}$ reaction at low energy- Schiavilla

- The lab-frame angular distribution ratios, measured in the deuteron photodisintegration as function of photon energy, are compared to the results of calculations based on the BONN and AV18 potentials





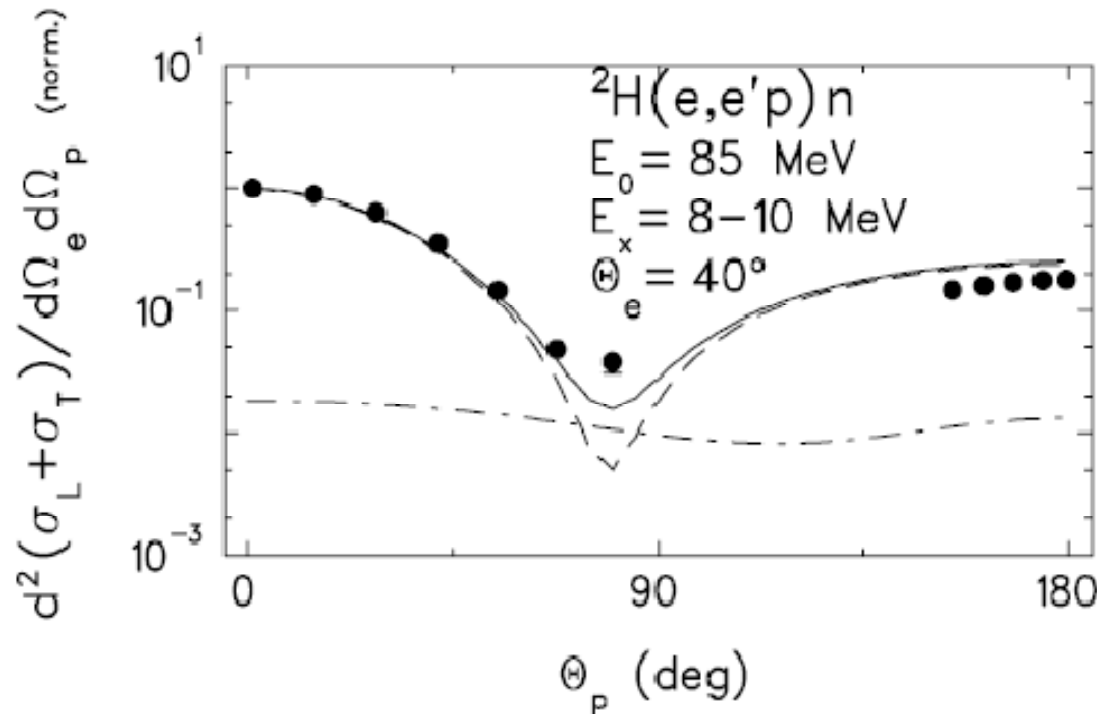
- The center-of-mass angular distribution of the neutron-induced polarization measured in the reaction at photon energies of 2.75 MeV is compared to the results of calculations based on a number of latest generation NN potentials.



- The neutron-induced polarization measured in the reaction at center-of-mass angle $\theta = 45^\circ$ is compared to the results of calculations based on a number of latest generation NN potentials.

Results from Darmstadt

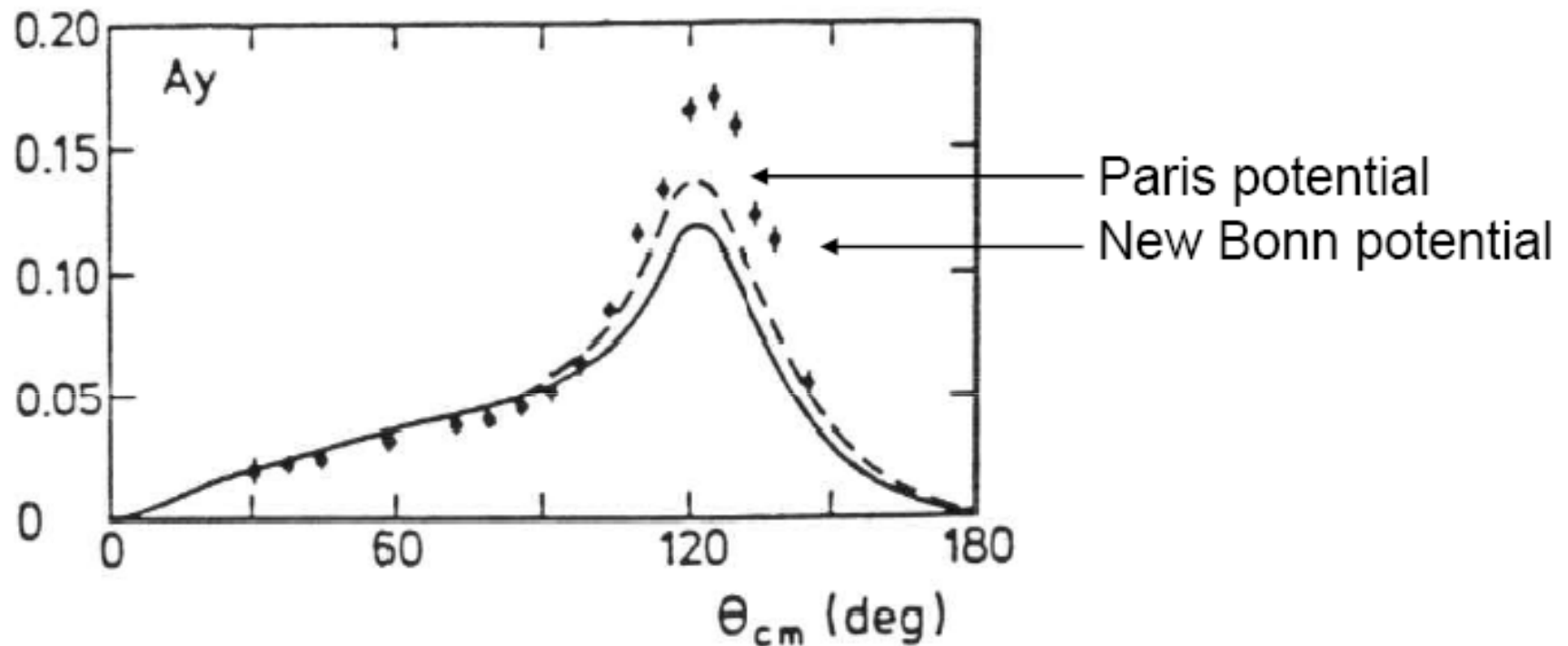
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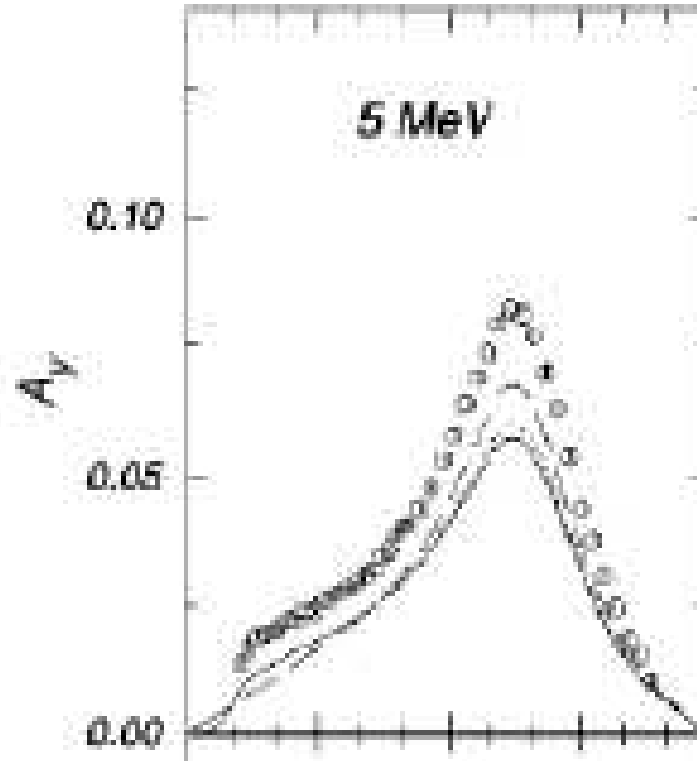
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DISCREPANCY

- Sum of the double-differential longitudinal and transverse cross sections of the $d(e,e'p)$ reaction at incident electron energy 85 MeV for an excitation energy bin 8-10 MeV as a function of polar proton emission angle.

Analyzing power - $A_y(\theta)$



- Neutron-deuteron analyzing power data at $E_n=10.0$ MeV in comparison to rigorous calculations by Witala, Glöckle, and Cornalius using the Bonn NN potential and the Paris NN Potential



- Proton-deuteron analyzing power calculated by Kievsky et al. using the Argonne v18 potential model (solid curve) and Av18+ Urbana IX three-nucleon force (dotted curve).
- The dashed curve is for n-d scattering calculated with Av18.
- The p-d data are from Sagara et al. and Gruebler et al.

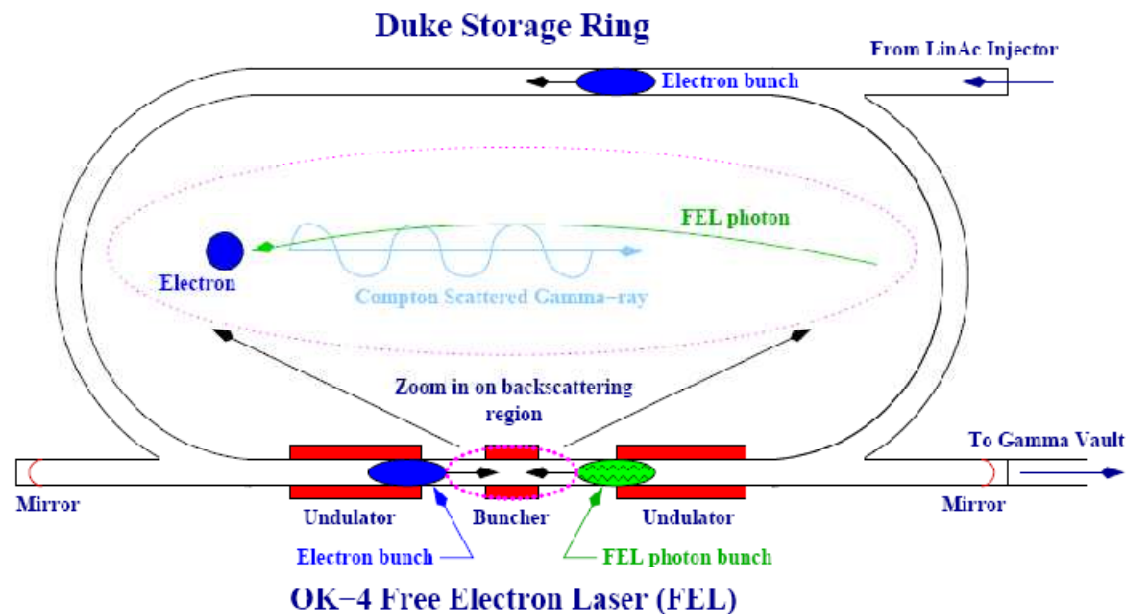
Experimental Setup

- Gamma Production
 - The Experimental Layout
 - Blowfish – Neutron Detector –
 - Active Target
 - Computing the Asymmetry
 - Data Analyzing Programs -Lucid,Geant,Root
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HIGS Facility – Gamma Production

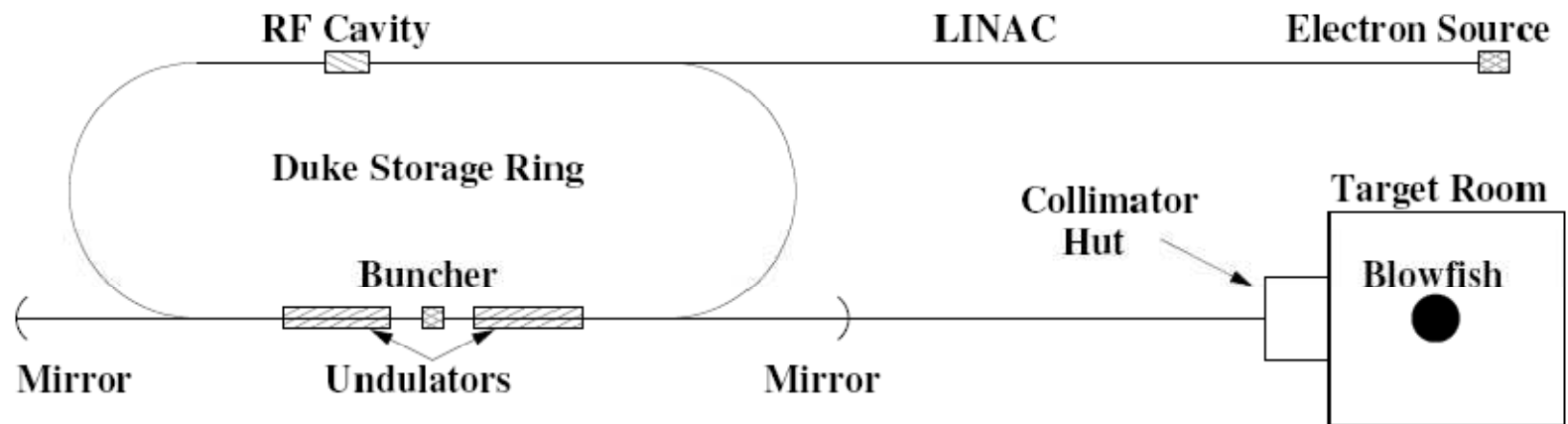
- Operating Principle: Compton backscattering of the free-electron laser photons in the storage ring

Gamma-Ray Production

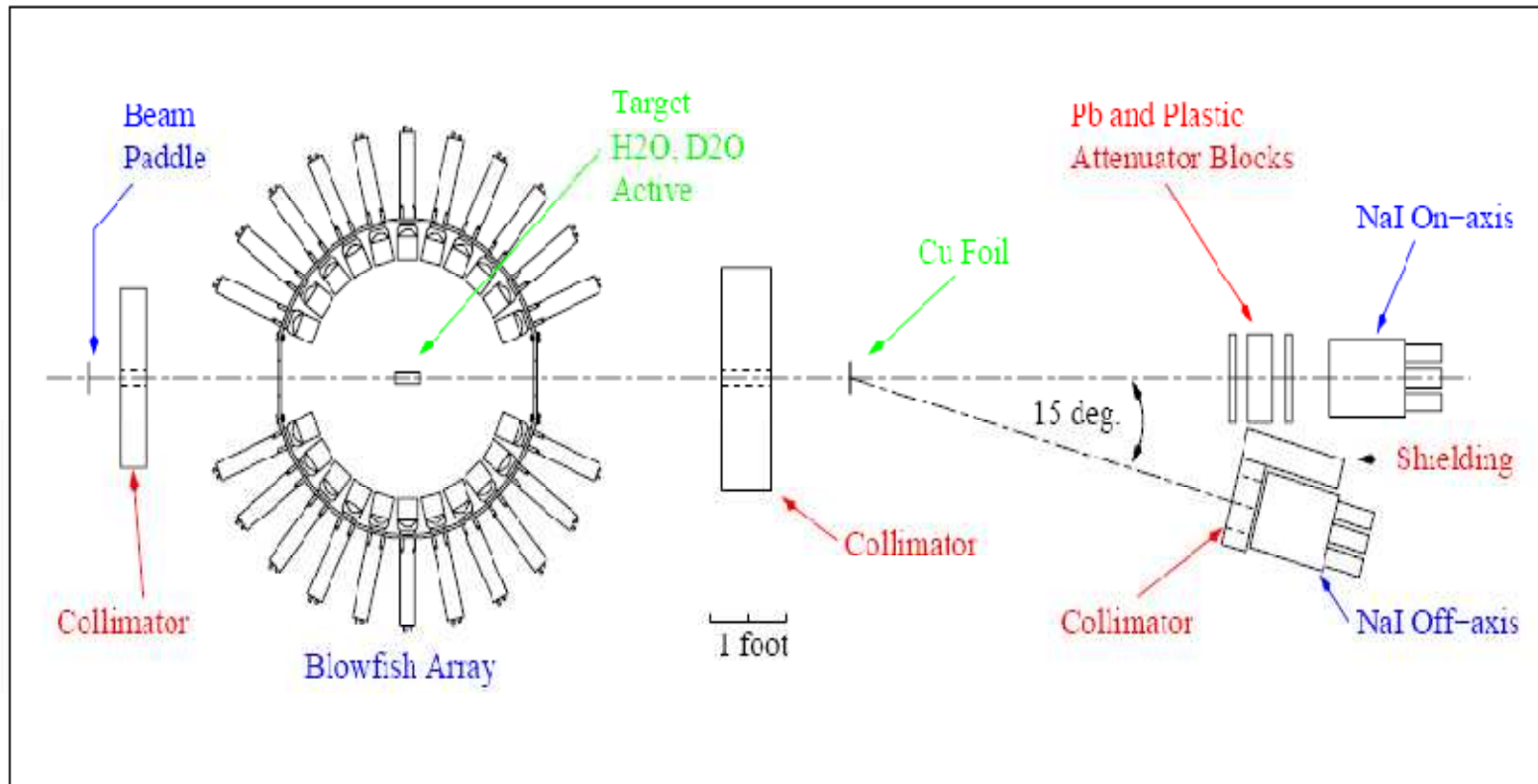


- This unique facility provides us a very clean, virtually monoenergetic, 100% linearly polarized gamma-ray beam

An overview schematic of DFELL



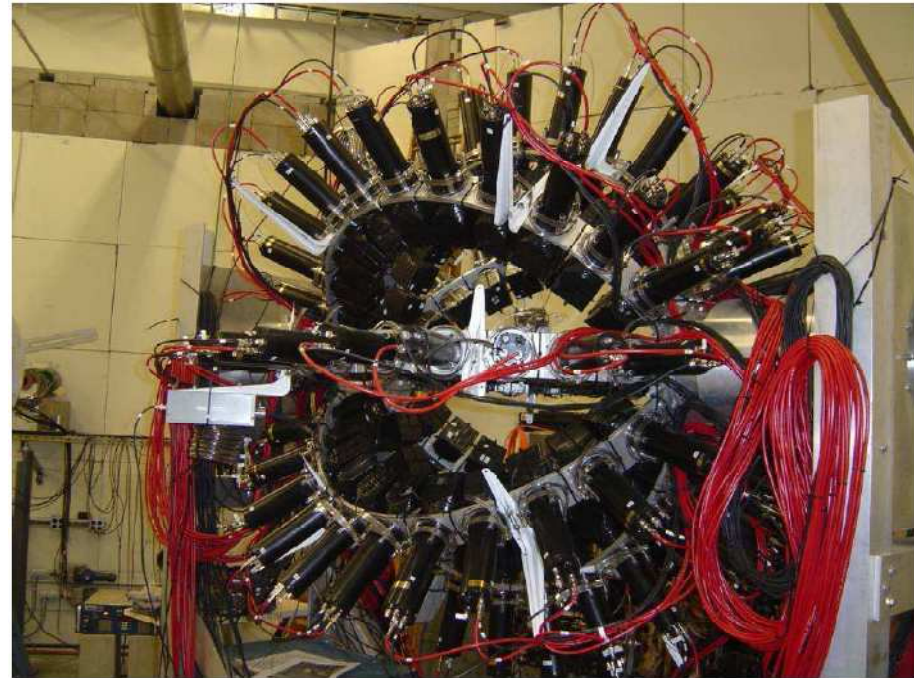
The Experimental Layout



- The resulting 44 data points will be used to test the predictions of potential and effective field models that apply to the np system.

The Blowfish – Neutron Detector

- 88 BC-505 Liquid Scintillator Cells
- 8 uniformly spaced arms of equal azimuthal angle Φ
- 11 cells in each arm- uniformly distributed between polar scattering angles θ



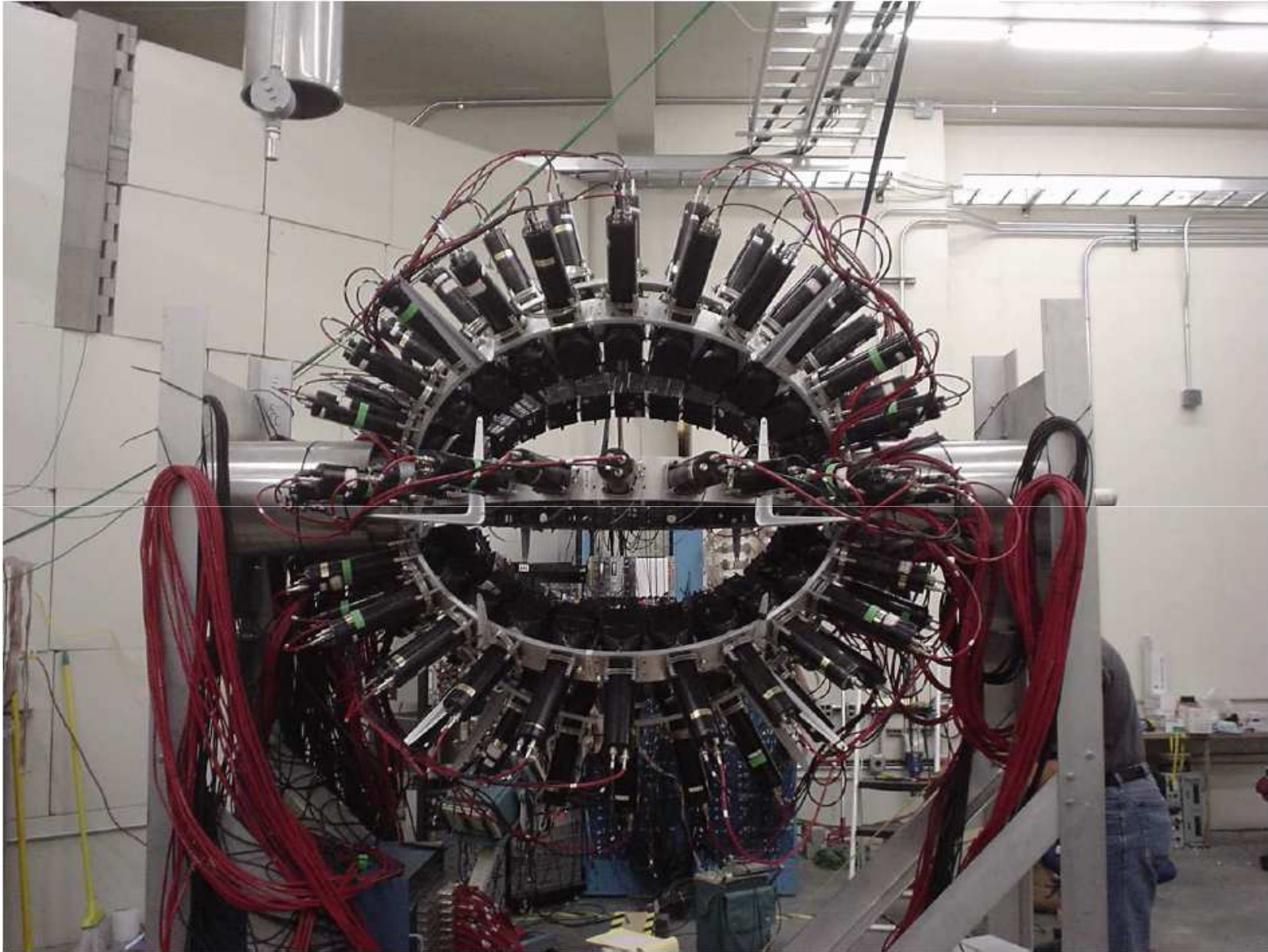
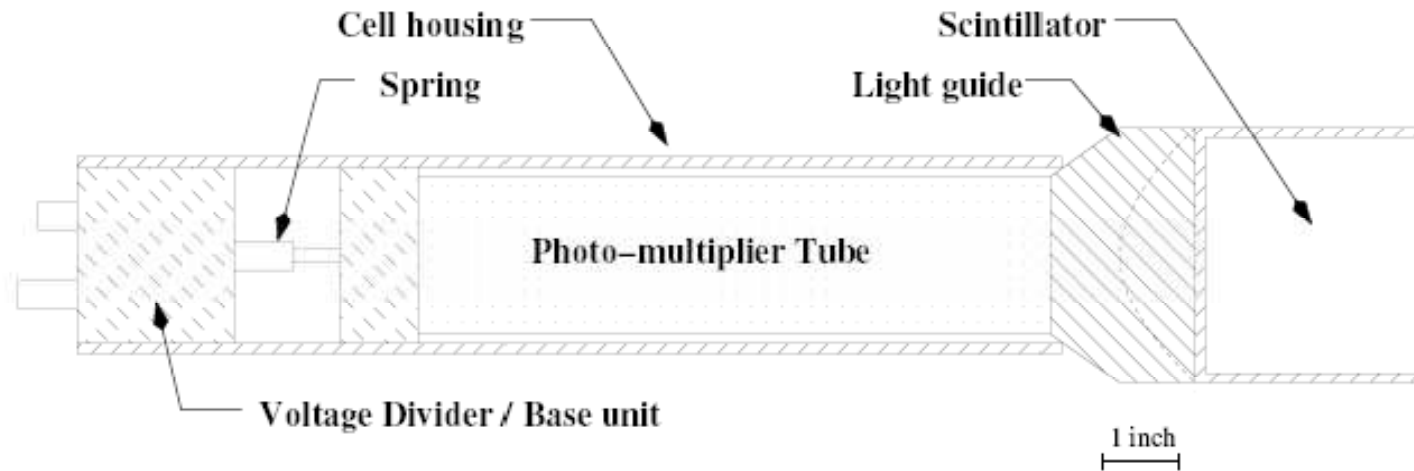


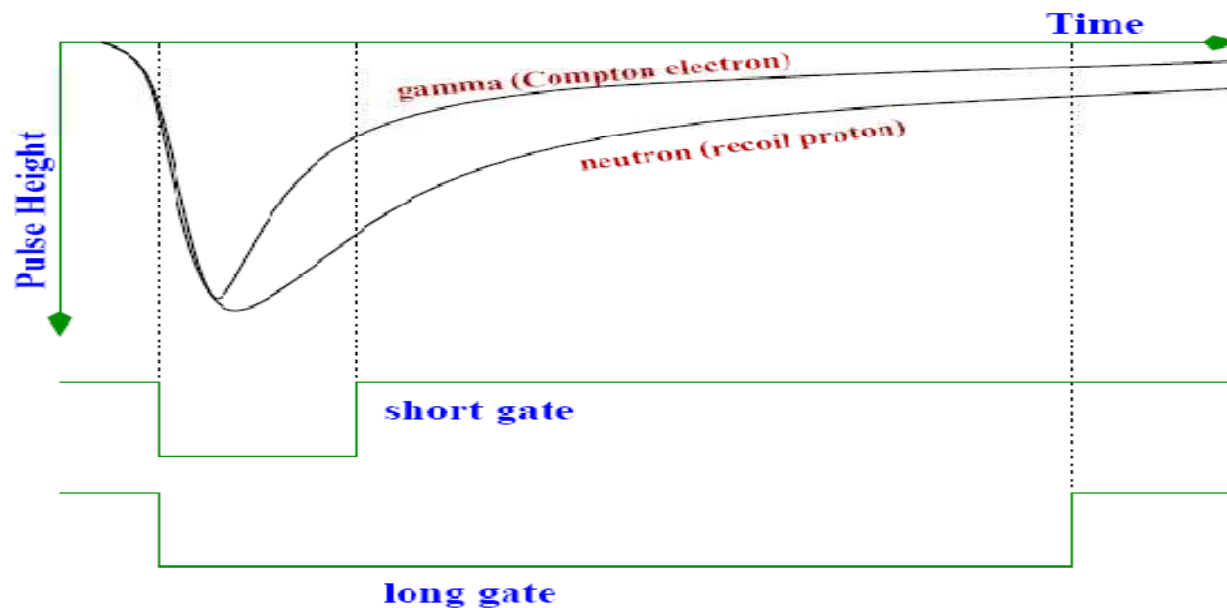
Diagram of a single Blowfish Detector



- The scintillator is capable of distinguishing the neutrons and the photons by the shape of emitted light pulse.

Pulse-Shape Discrimination

- Neutral particle identification in the Blowfish array is performed using a technique called Pulse-Shape Discrimination (PSD)

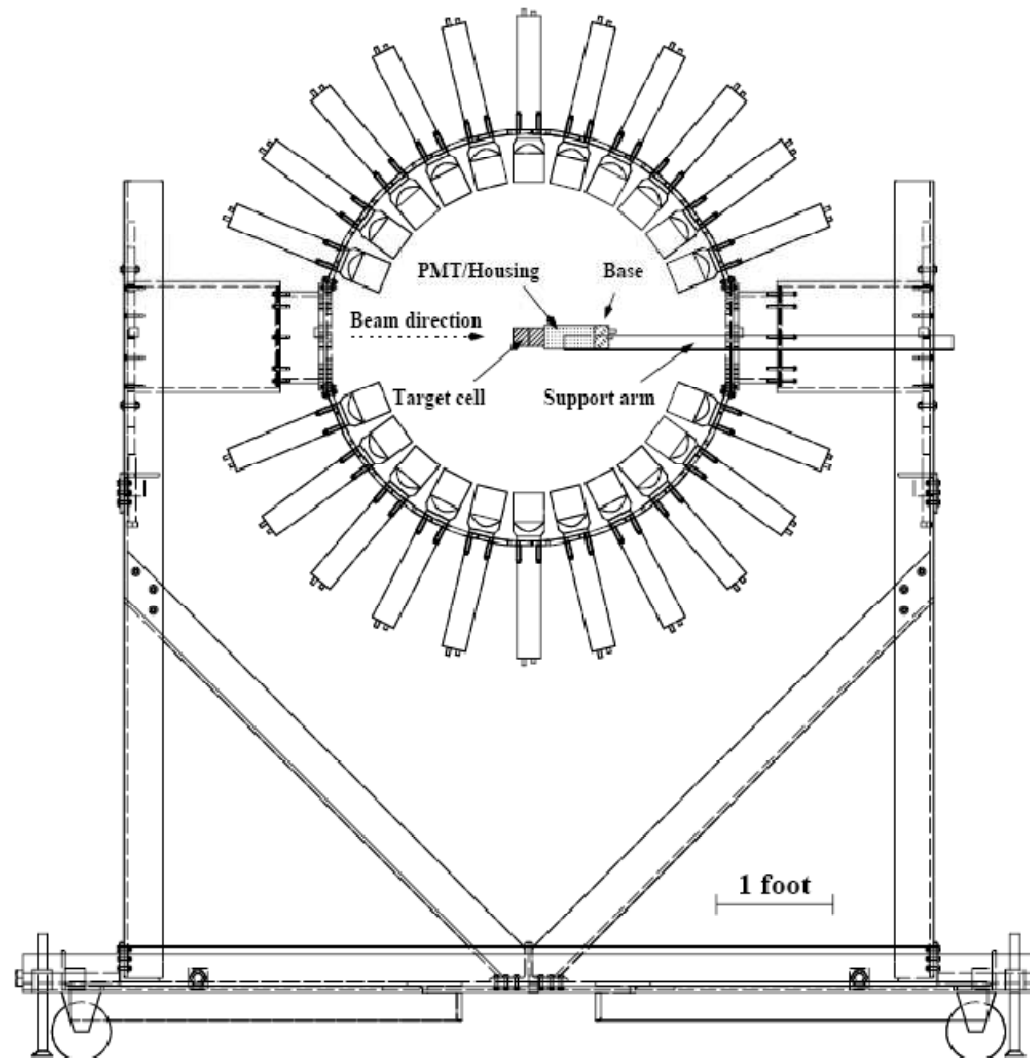


Active Target

- A thin-walled Al target cell – filled with a deuterated variant of the NE-232 liquid scintillator and coupled to a 2” PMT and wrapped in black tape to make it light-tight.
- The dimensions of the target are

| Desc. | OD (±.05 cm) | Length (±.05 mm) | Wall (±.001 cm) | Wall Material | Target Material |
|--------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Active | 4.72 | 8.25 | 0.50 | Al | Deut. NE-232 |

Active Target Configuration in Blowfish



The Asymmetry _ Analyzing Power_

- The asymmetry is a particularly attractive observable from the perspective of an experimentalist.
- A measure of the azimuthal (ϕ) asymmetry in the distribution of particles expelled from a reaction.
- Theoretical asymmetry:

$$\Sigma(\theta) = \frac{\sigma(\theta, \phi = 90^\circ) - \sigma(\theta, \phi = 0^\circ)}{\sigma(\theta, \phi = 90^\circ) + \sigma(\theta, \phi = 0^\circ)}$$

Computing the Asymmetry

$$\text{Asym} = \frac{(N_1 + N_3) - (N_2 + N_4)}{(N_1 + N_3) + (N_2 + N_4)}$$

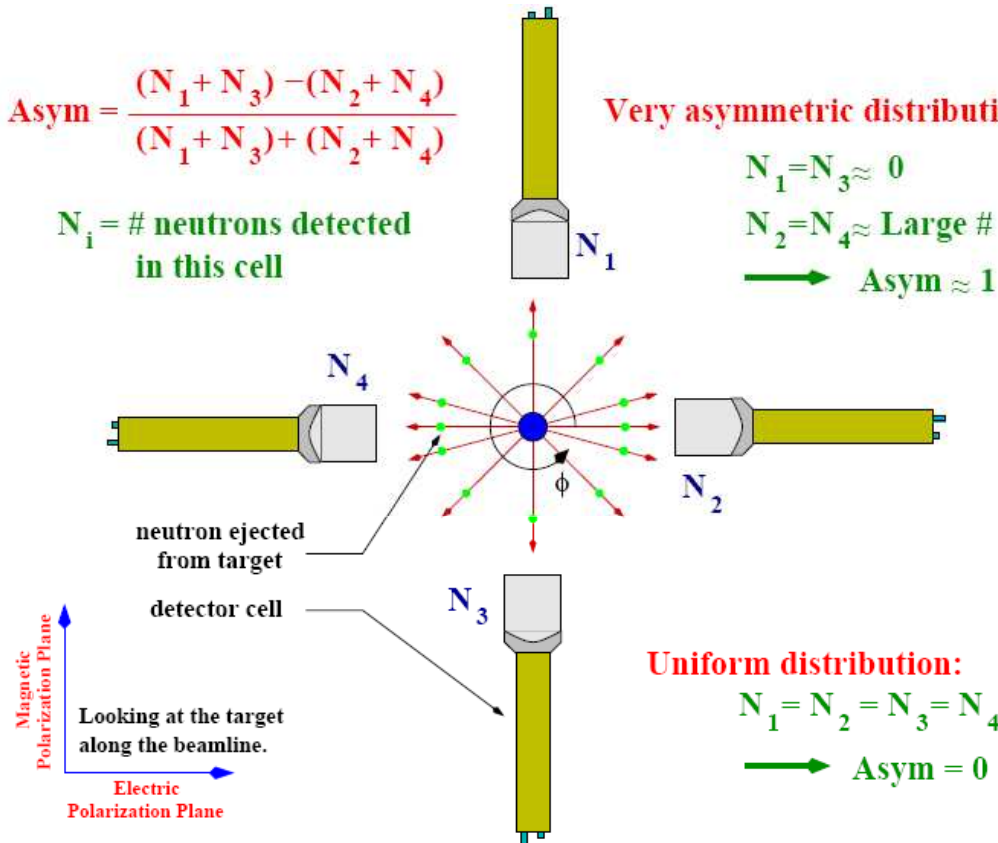
N_i = # neutrons detected in this cell

Very asymmetric distribution:

$$N_1 = N_3 \approx 0$$

$$N_2 = N_4 \approx \text{Large \#}$$

→ Asym ≈ 1



- The degree to which the neutrons tend to favor being ejected in one direction than another is quantified by calculating the asymmetry.

Data Analyzing

- LUCID,GEANT4,ROOT
 - We will get the data during July-August
 - Analyzing data
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