

Backward-angle u-Channel π^0 Production Update

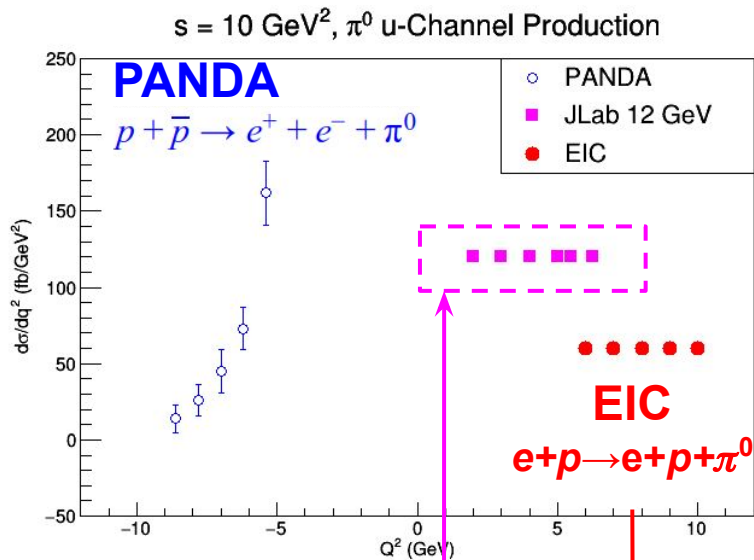
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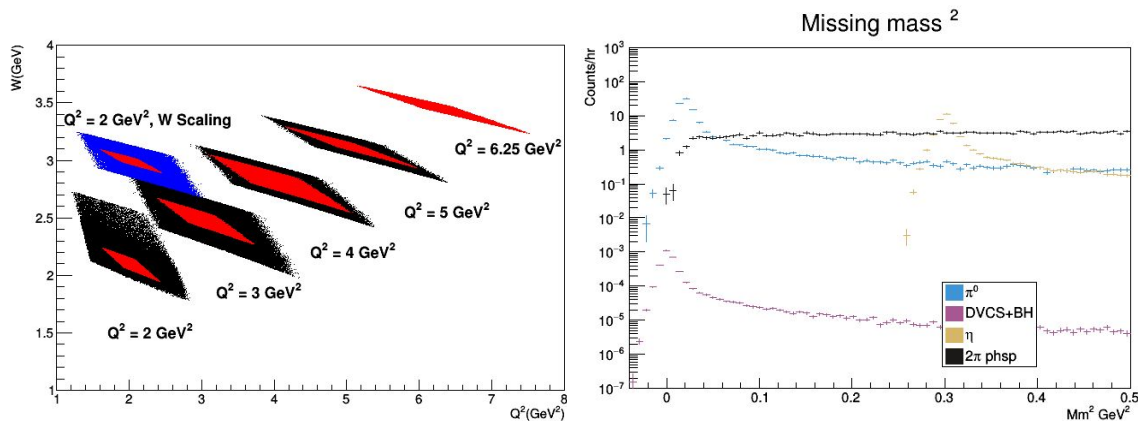
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 $^1\text{H}(e,e')\pi^0$

5 GeV electron
100 GeV proton



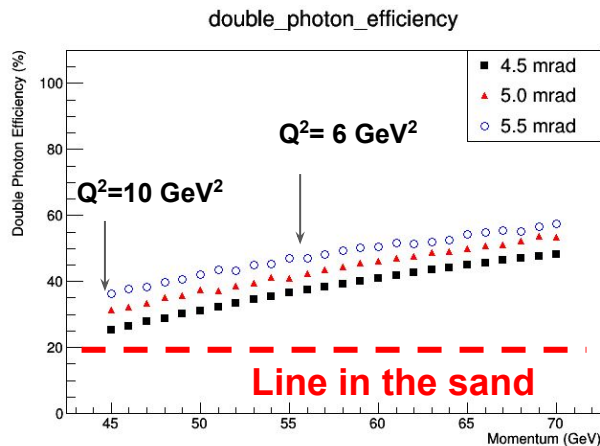
Proposal PR12-20-007 submitted to PAC 48

- **A standard JLab Hall C L/T separation measurement:**
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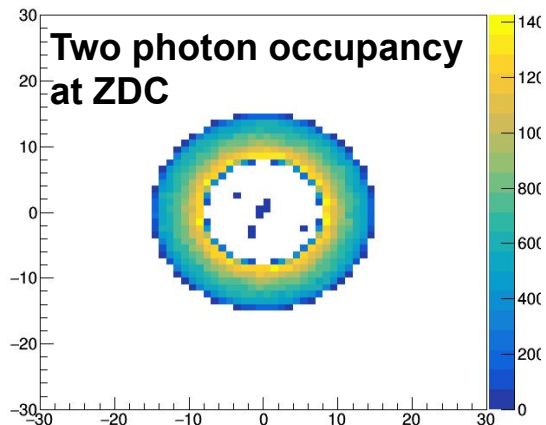
First dedicated u -channel electroproduction study above the resonance region:

- Q^2 coverage: $2.0 < Q^2 < 6.25 \text{ GeV}^2$, at $x=0.36$ and $W > 2 \text{ GeV}$ L/T separated cross section @ $Q^2=2, 3, 4$ and 5 GeV^2 .
- u coverage: $0 < -u' + 0.5 < 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$
- **Additional W scaling check @ $Q^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$**
- **Additional Q^2 scaling check @ $Q^2 = 6.25 \text{ GeV}^2$**

EIC $e+p \rightarrow e+p+\pi^0$ for 5 GeV e on 100 GeV p



5 GeV electron on 100 GeV proton



Previously

- 20-60% two photon efficiency are expected
- Question: would a different collision energy help with the measurement?
 - Choice #1: 10 GeV e on 100 GeV proton
 - Choice #2: 5 GeV e on 41 GeV proton
- Since we fix $W=3.16 \text{ GeV}$ ($s=10 \text{ GeV}^2$) Choice #2 is much better than

EIC $e+p \rightarrow e+p+\pi^0$ for 5 GeV e on 41 GeV p

Q^2 (GeV ²)	W (GeV)	x_B	$\theta_{e'}$ (deg)	$\eta_{e'}$	$P_{e'}$ (GeV)	$\theta_{p'}$ (deg)	$\eta_{p'}$	$P_{p'}$ (GeV)	θ_{π^0} (deg)	η_{π^0}	P_{π^0} (GeV)	$-t$ (GeV ²)	$-u$ (GeV ²)
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5 GeV e on 100 GeV p

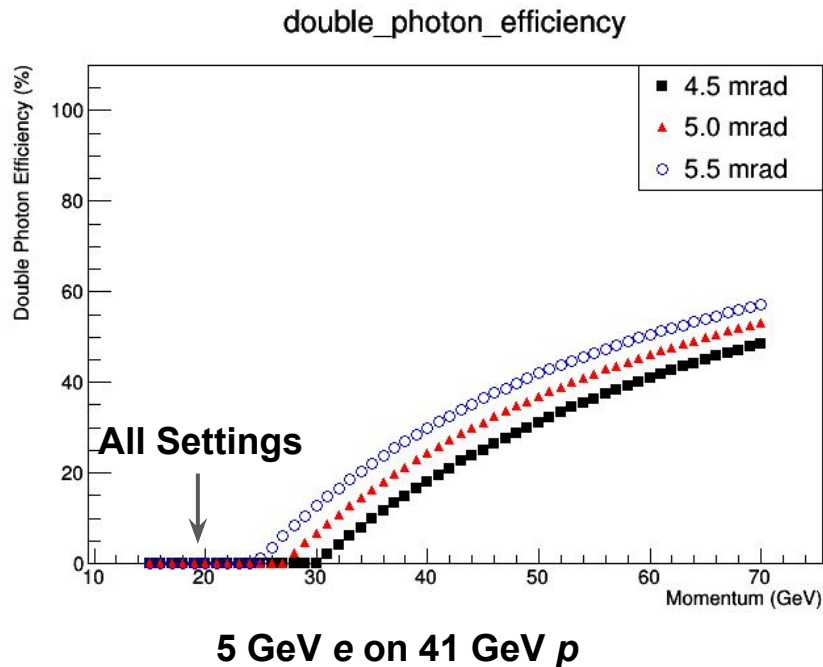
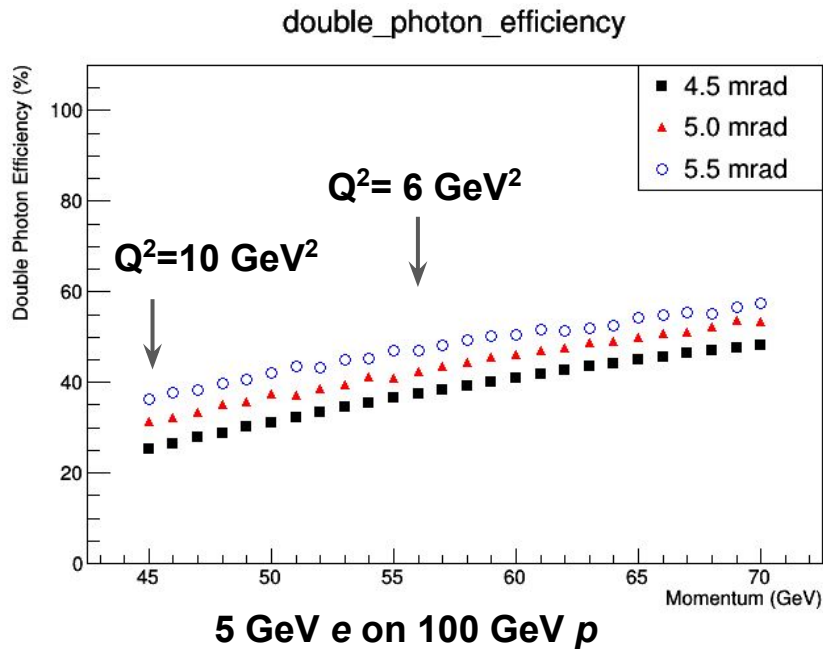
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5 GeV e on 41 GeV p

Much improved

Momentum too low!

EIC $e+p \rightarrow e+p+\pi^0$ for 5 GeV e on 41 GeV p



Conclusion:

- No double photon detection on the ZDC!
- Proton will be at a more optimal angle
- 5 GeV e on 100 GeV p is more optimal.
- The setting configuration of 10 GeV e on 100 GeV p is similar

In progress

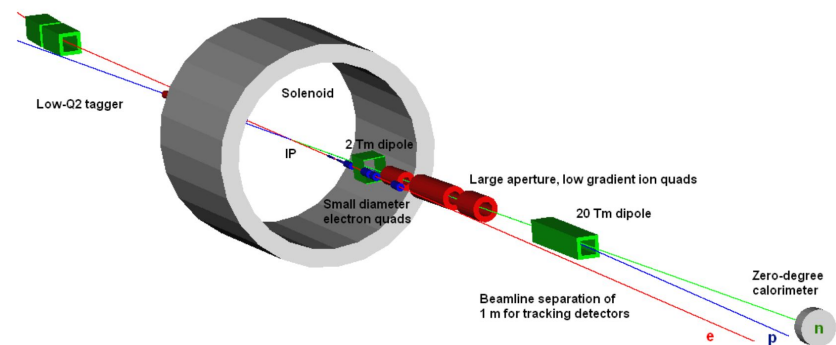
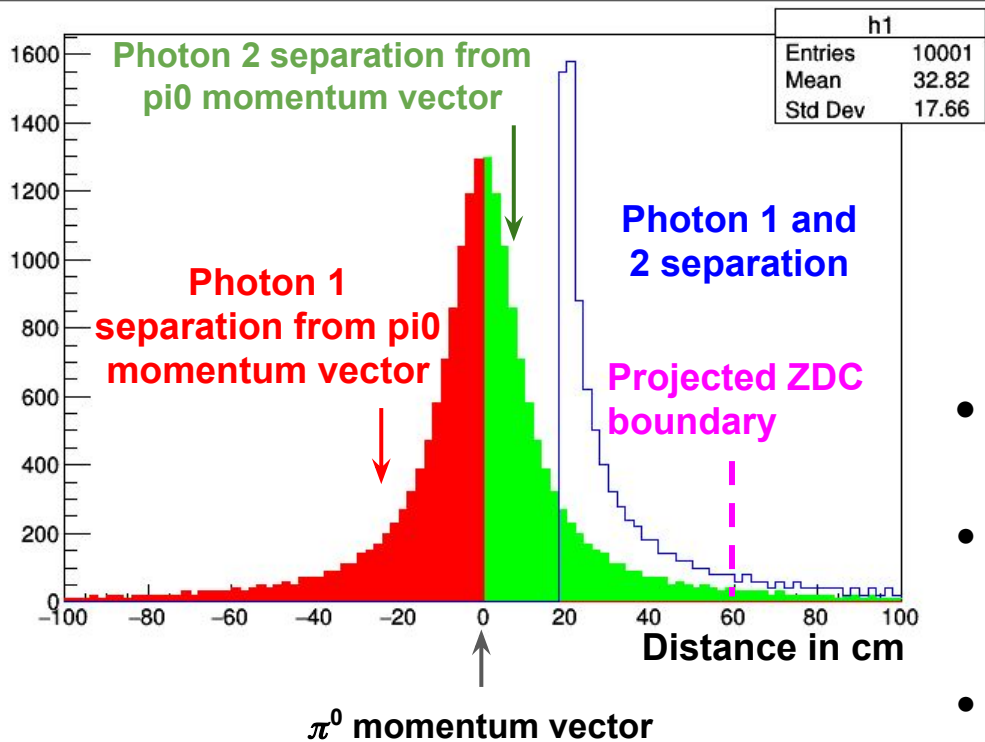
- **G4E simulation results will be available soon**
 - Low energy forward going proton detection
 - Neutral particle PID on ZDC. (dE/dx vs momentum plot)
- **LUND file submitted to Alex and Yulia for helping out with the magnet apertures**
- **Initial results from the generator are started to be loaded to the Yellow Report**



Outline

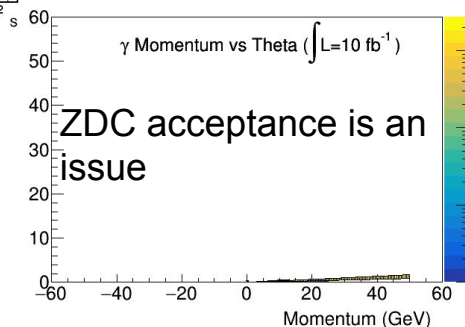
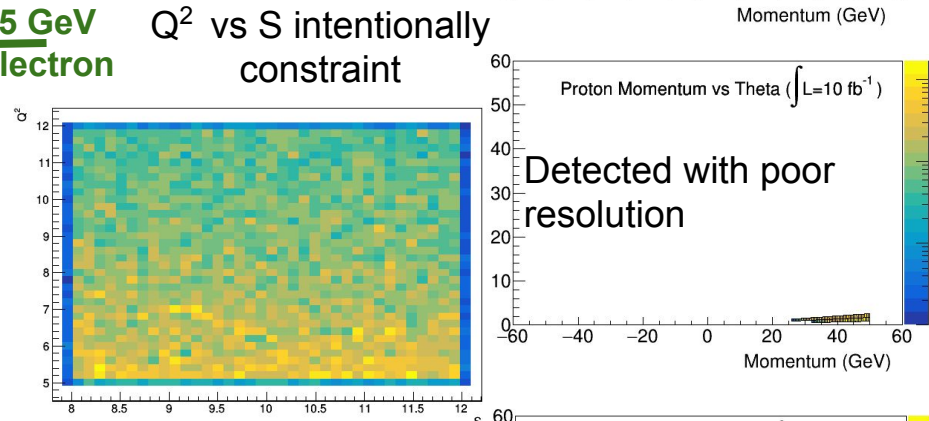
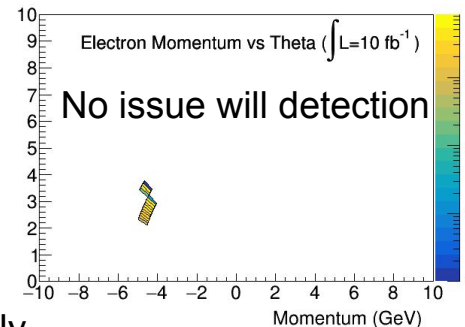
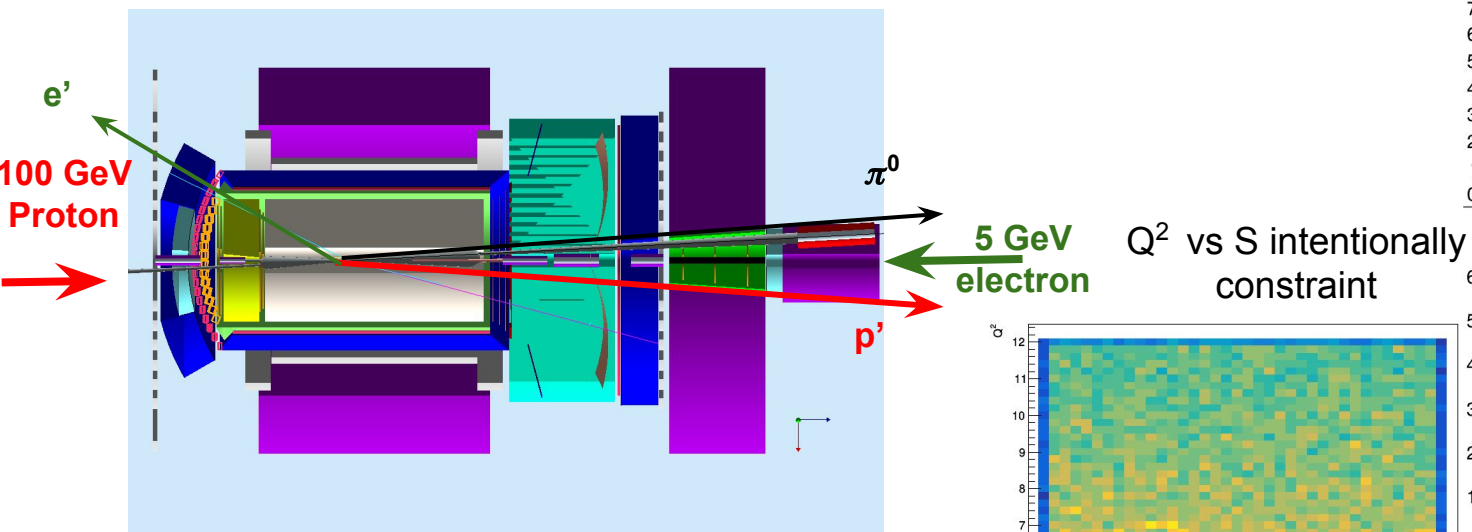
- Last pre-full simulation feasibility update
- Answers to some questions:
 - Will photon reach ZDC and where?
 - Rough detection efficiency
 - Detector constrains
 - Physics background (to our best knowledge)
- Lund files for the simulation is ready to go

Photons at the ZDC (Before Pavia meeting)



- 10000 pairs of decayed photons created isotropically from 0-180 degrees in the π^0 rest mass frame
- Assuming IR-ZDC distance: 32 meters
 - Minimum two photon separation: ~19 cm
 - Separation distribution max: 22 cm
- ZDC calorimeter size and block size?
 - ZDC size 60 cm x 60 cm.
 - Even 4cm x 4cm in block size would be sufficient for π^0 :)
 - There is +-5 mrad

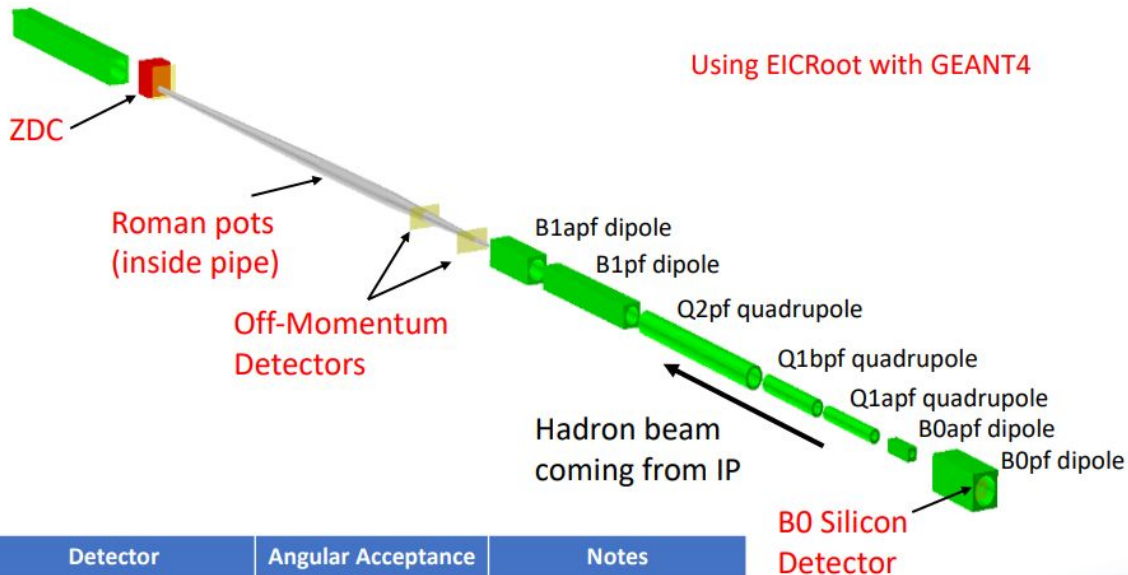
U-channel Meson Production Setup



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From Pavia Meeting

Central Integration – Beam Pipe



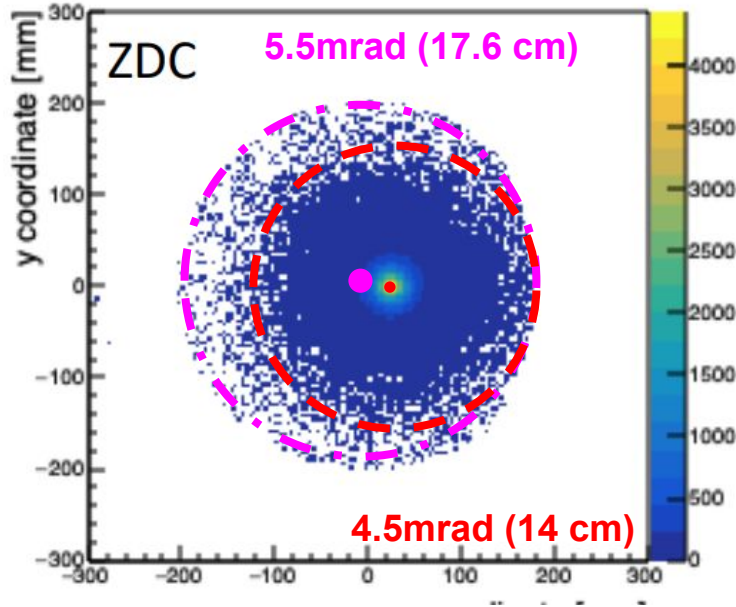
This corresponds to 17.6 cm radius circle at 32 meters from IR! much smaller than expected 60x60 cm² square!

What does this mean for the two photons?

Detector	Angular Acceptance	Notes
ZDC	$\theta < 5.5$ mrad	About 4.0 mrad at $\varphi \sim \pi$
Roman Pots	$0.0 < \theta < 5.0$ mrad	Need 10σ cut.
Off-Momentum Detectors	$0.0 < \theta < 5.0$ mrad	Roughly $.4 < x_L < .6$
B0 Sensors	$5.5 < \theta < 20.0$ mrad	Still need to optimize.

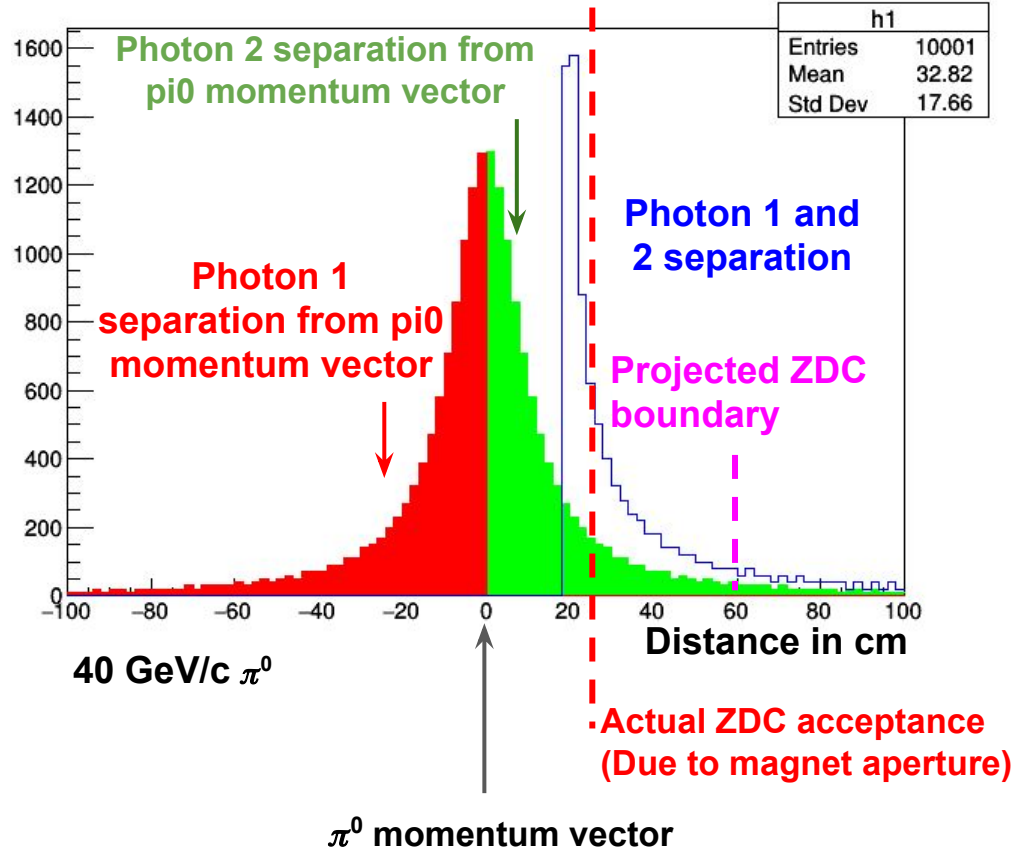
$$x_L = \frac{p_{z,nucleon}}{p_{z,beam}}$$

U-channel Meson Production (After Pavia Meeting)

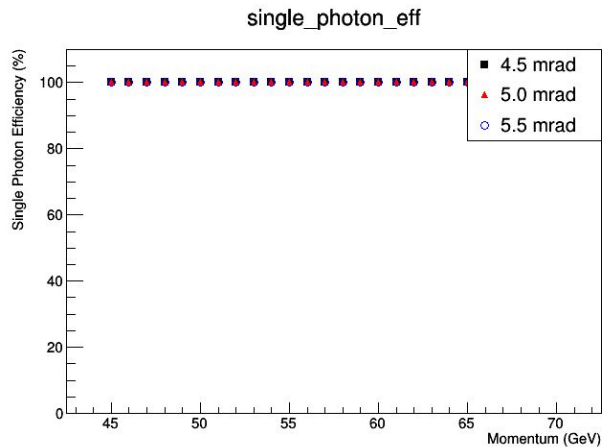
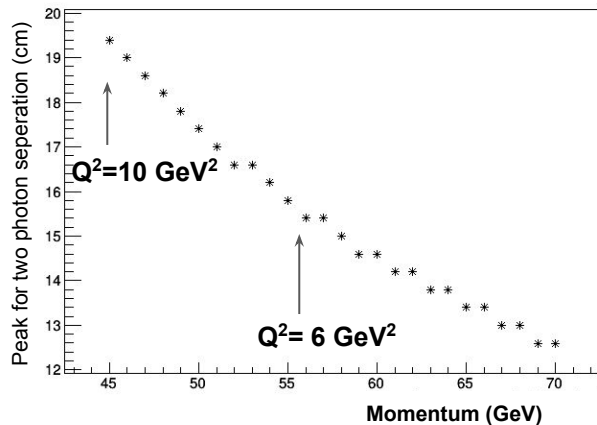
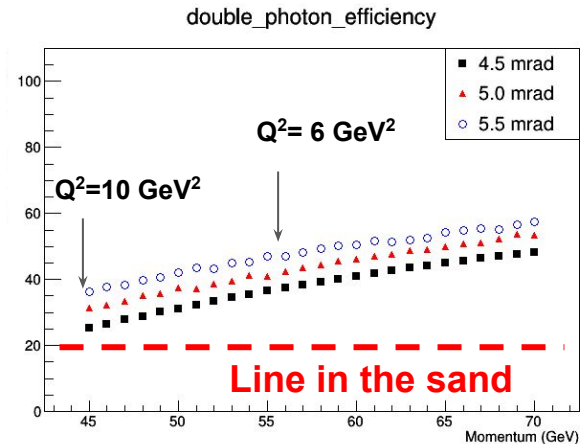
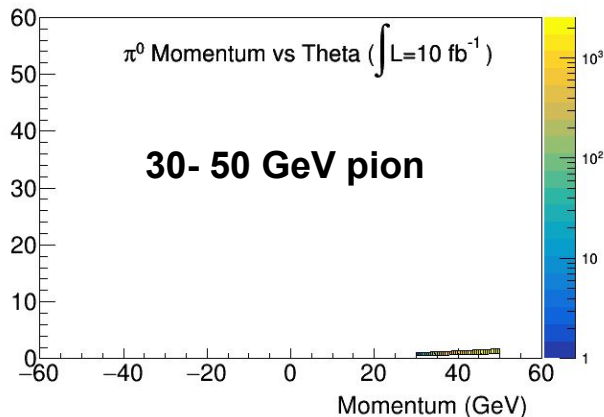


DVCS simulation with deuterium, spectating neutron distribution on ZDC, from Alex

Slight shift in $-u'$ will give us larger coverage.



Impact to the efficiency



- Double photon efficiency for the nominal π^0 event is larger than 20%
- Detector (magnetic aperture) constrains:
 - Fixing center of the neutral particle at ZDC
 - Ensuring largest possible symmetrical acceptance

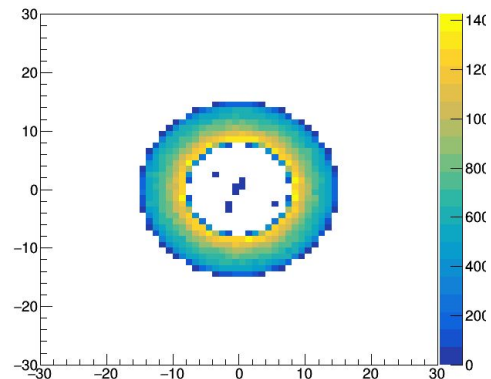
Physics background (to our current best knowledge)

- Double photon case:
 - Primary reaction: $e+p \rightarrow e'+p' + \pi^0$
 - Ideal expected trigger: $e'+p'+2\gamma$
 - Physics background: none
 - Less than ideal trigger: $e'+2\gamma$
 - Background: $\Lambda \rightarrow n+\pi^0$
- Single photon case:
 - Primary reaction: $e+p \rightarrow e'+p' + \pi^0$
 - Ideal expected trigger: $e'+p'+\gamma$
 - Physics background: DVCS, eta, $\Lambda \rightarrow n+\pi^0$
 - Less than ideal trigger: $e'+\gamma$
 - Background: many many possibility

2 γ hit pattern

40 GeV/c π^0

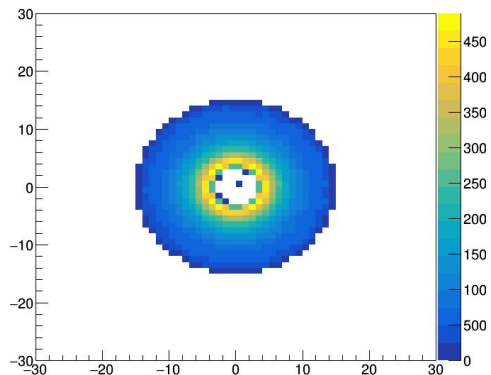
4.5 mrad acceptance



2 γ hit pattern

60 GeV/c π^0

4.5 mrad acceptance



- We can use the double photon event to normalize the single photon events



Conclusion

- U-channel π^0 (2gamma) will be on ZDC at specific location and we conclude it is possible to reconstruct this reaction.
- Full simulation will provide further detail including realistic efficiency, PID, signal/background estimation, etc.
- Lund file for both pi0 and two-photon scenario are ready to go
 - For detector experts to study acceptance
 - PID study (myself)

Question and Discussion

- How ready is fast-smear and full simulation for the tagging detector to perform photon/neutron PID study?
- Small angle proton detection, complications?
- Backward π^0 is just the beginning
 - Study on u-channel η , ω , π^+ is in the plan (not included in YR)
 - Our currently knowledge of u -channel physics in the DIS region almost none
 - Unknown W dependence (EIC possible)
 - Unknown x_B dependence (EIC + 12 GeV possible)
 - Unclear $-t$ dependence (EIC possible, but required significant modification to ZDC, bigger ZDC)
 - L/T Separation possibility? (Need more study)
- More and more u -channel data will come out of 12 GeV, on all meson production channels
- Would be there a universality (t -channel and u -channel) effort in the EIC era?

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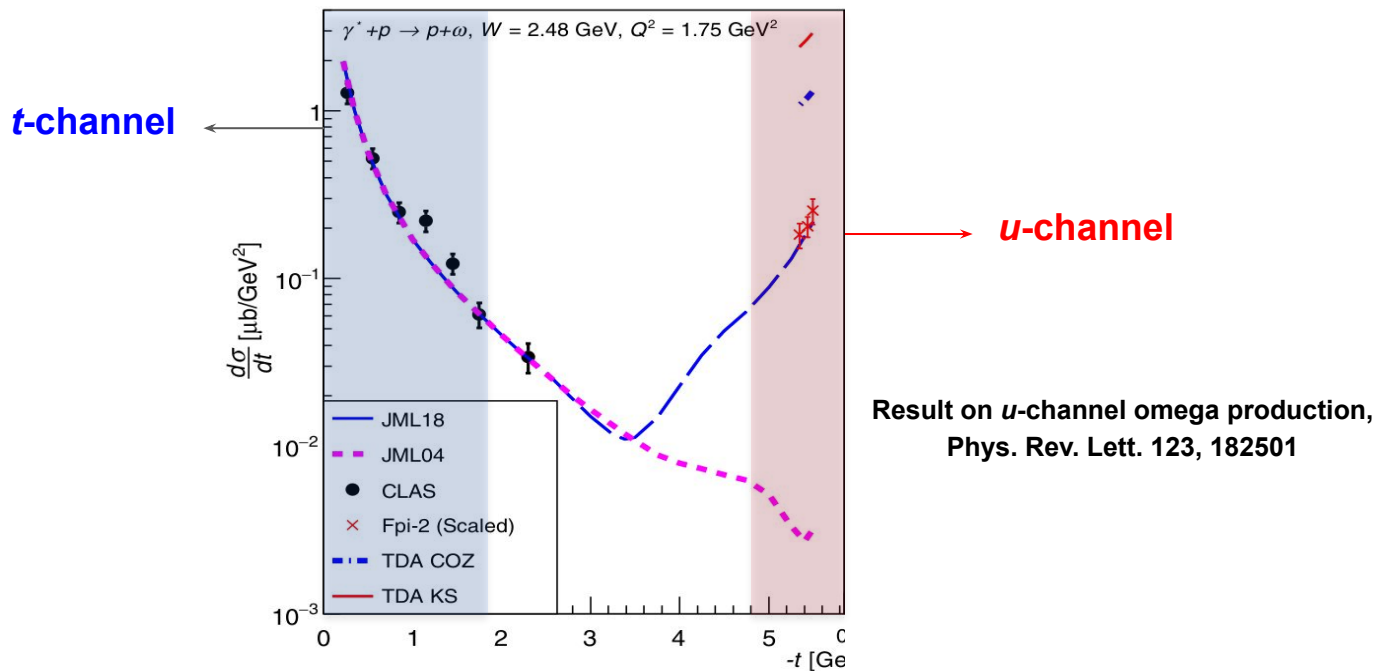
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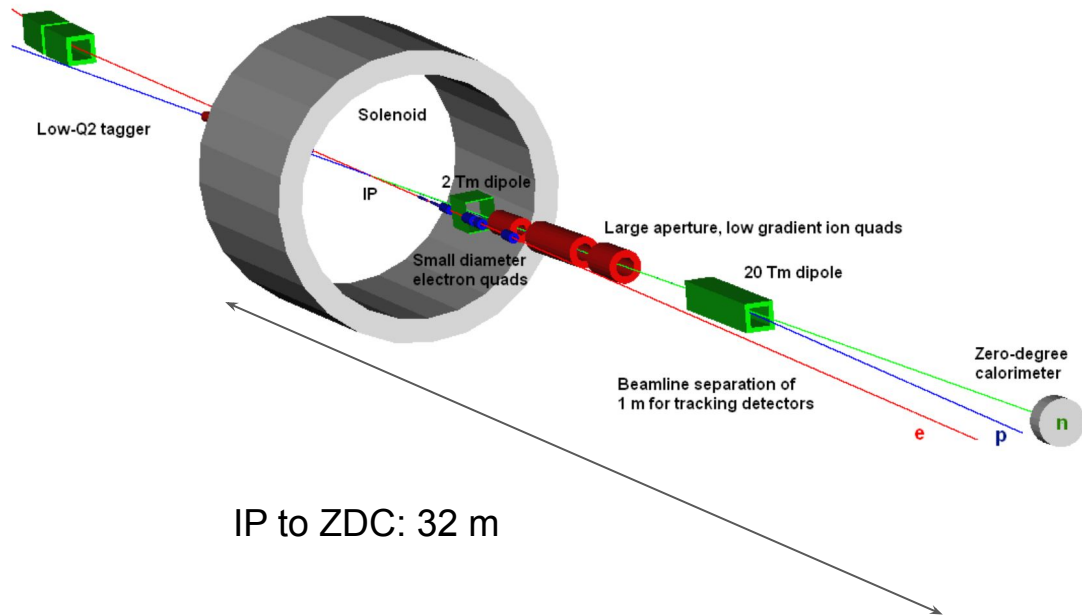
Thank you

Advertisement:

- The first u -channel physics workshop will be held at JLab in September 21-22.
 - Event page: <https://www.jlab.org/conference/BACKANGLE>
 - Indico page: <https://www.jlab.org/indico/event/375>



Photons at the ZDC



- IP to ZDC distance: $\sim 30\text{m}$
- $Q^2=10.5 \text{ GeV}^2$, π^0 momentum= 44.5 GeV
 - Lifetime = $8.4 \times 10^{-17} \text{ s}$
 - Beta = 0.99999 c
 - Decay at the IP
- Assume IP-ZDC distance: 32 meters
- Where do two photons end up on the ZDC?

Kinematics table

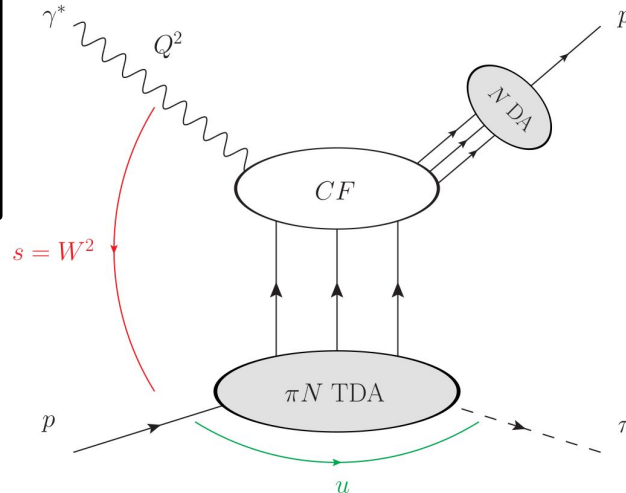
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Validation of TDA or u-channel factorization scheme

- EIC L/T separation ability is unclear
- Initial phase to study TDA at EIC: studying scaling
 - Low hanging fruit
- Advance phase: Single Spin Asymmetry and Double spin Asymmetry

- Two Postulation:
 - $1/Q^8$ scaling behavior
 - $\sigma_T > \sigma_L, \sigma_L \sim 0$

- Verified with all meson production channel



- $\sigma_T > \sigma_L$ will be tested at 12 GeV

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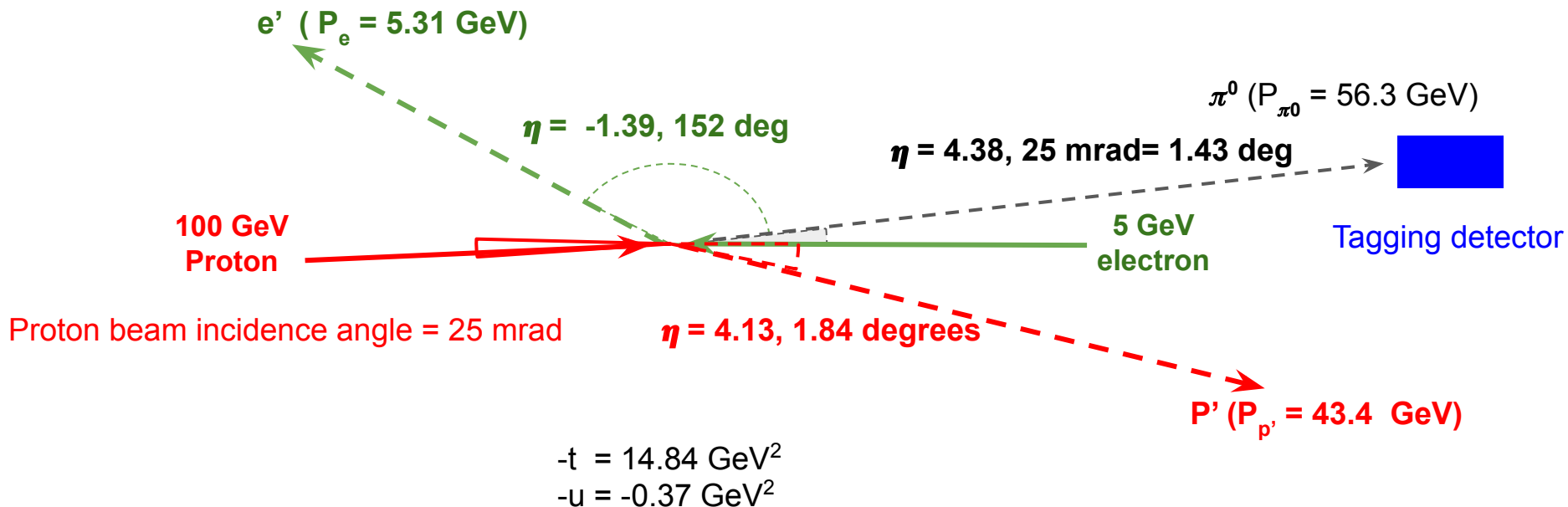
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Others: parasitic data may be available

Simplest case 1: π^0 at 50 mrad (along p incidence angle)

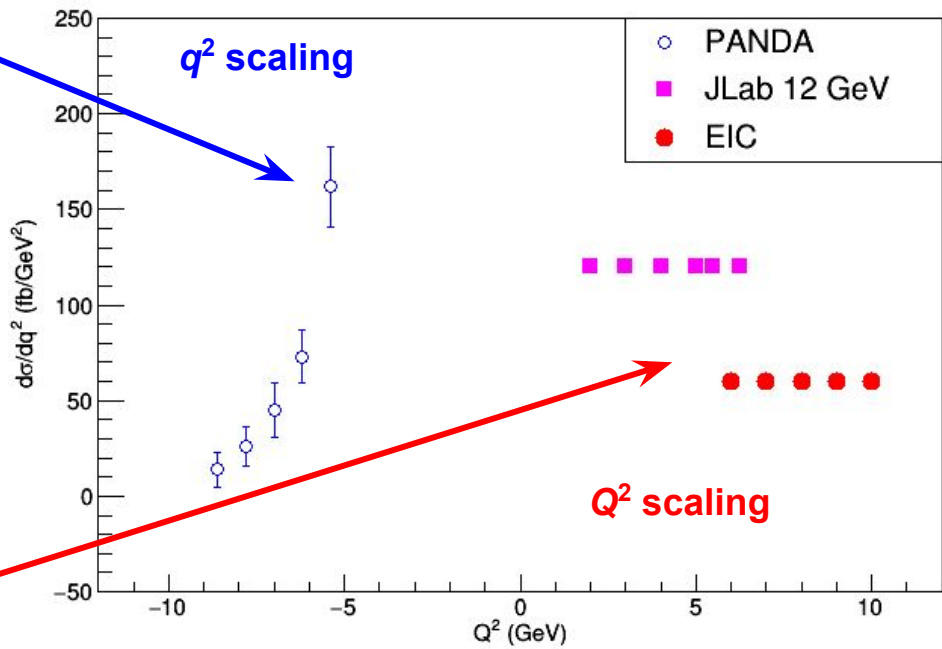
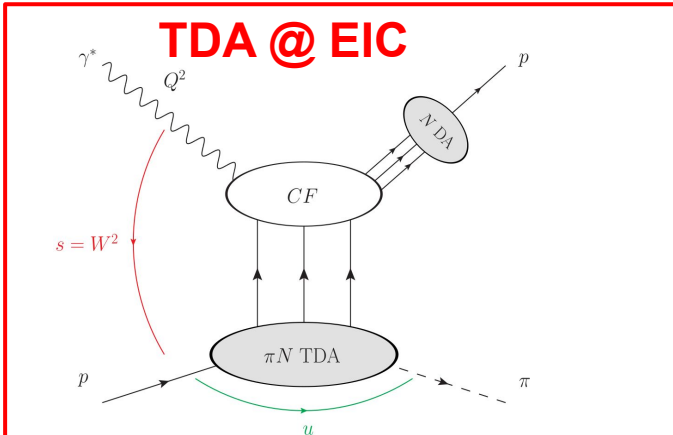
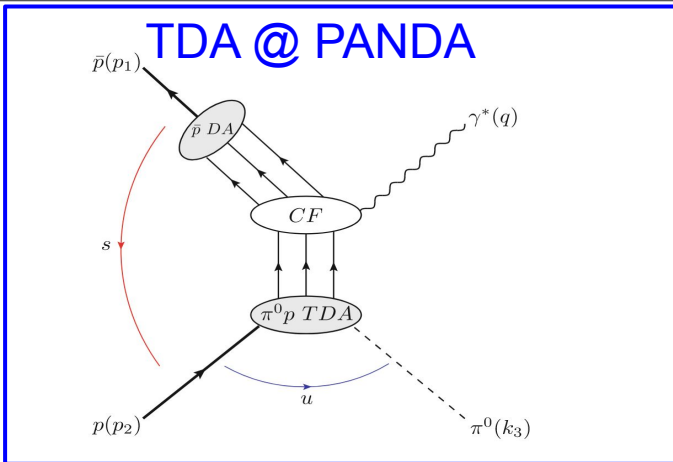
$$s=10 \text{ GeV}^2, W= 3.13 \text{ GeV}, Q^2 = 6.2 \text{ GeV}^2,$$



Q^2 (space-like) and q^2 (time-like) Scaling

The PANDA Collaboration, Eur. Phys. J. A (2015) 51: 107

$s = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$, π^0 u-Channel Production



Same TDAs for PANDA and EIC, the ultimate universality check

Far-Forward hadron detection

G4BeamLine → GEANT4

- *Neutron* detection in a 20 mrad cone *down to 0°*

• *DREAM HCAL*: $\sigma(\theta) = 1\text{cm}/40\text{m} = 2.5 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$
 $\sigma(E)/E = 30\%(1\text{GeV}/E)^{1/2}$

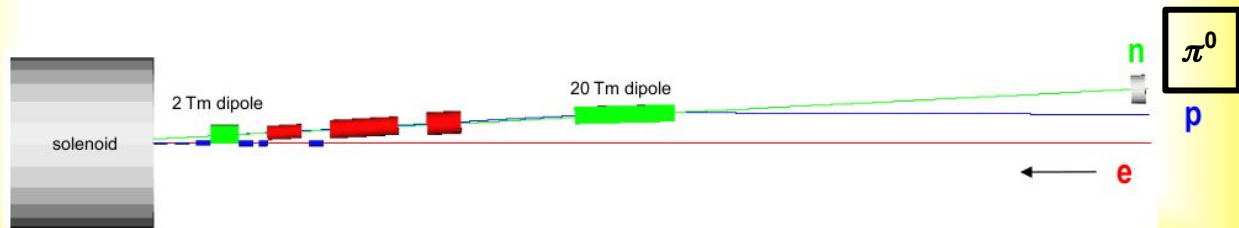
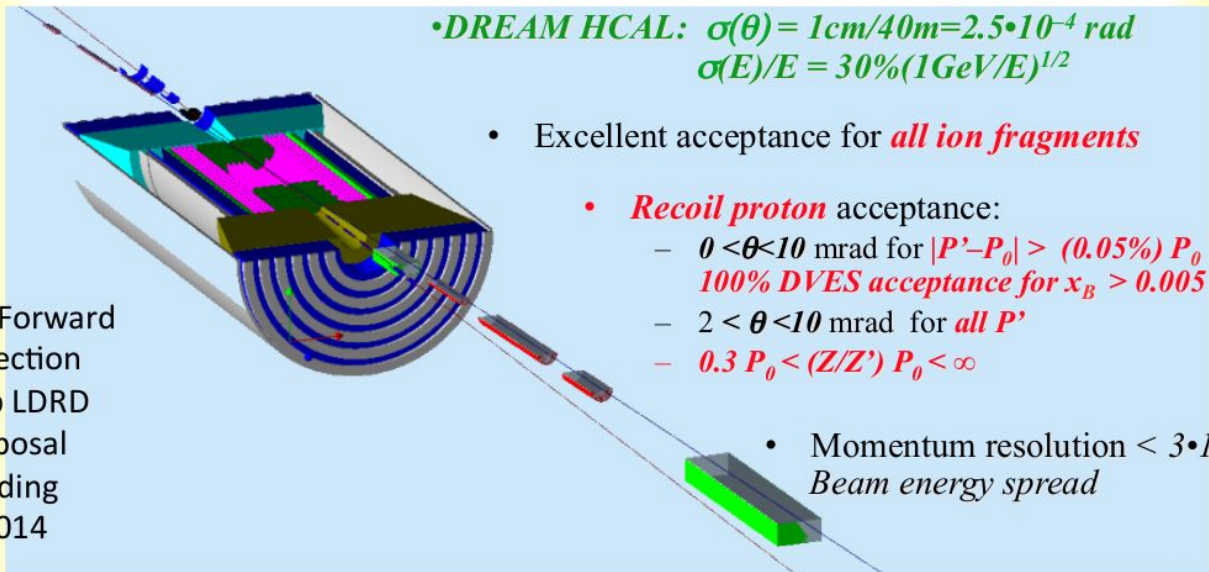
- Excellent acceptance for *all ion fragments*

- *Recoil proton* acceptance:

- $0 < \theta < 10$ mrad for $|P' - P_0| > (0.05\%) P_0$
- *100% DVES acceptance for $x_B > 0.005$*
- $2 < \theta < 10$ mrad for *all P'*
- $0.3 P_0 < (Z/Z') P_0 < \infty$

- Momentum resolution $< 3 \cdot 10^{-4}$
Beam energy spread

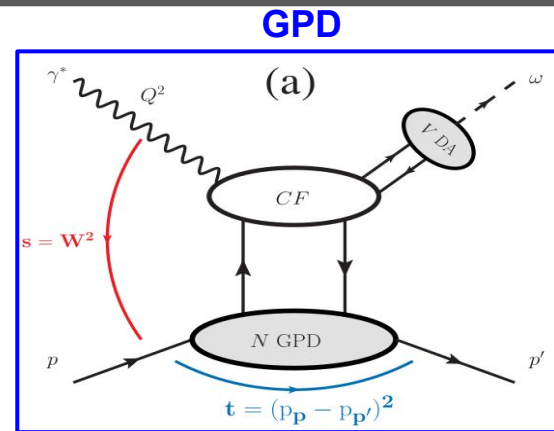
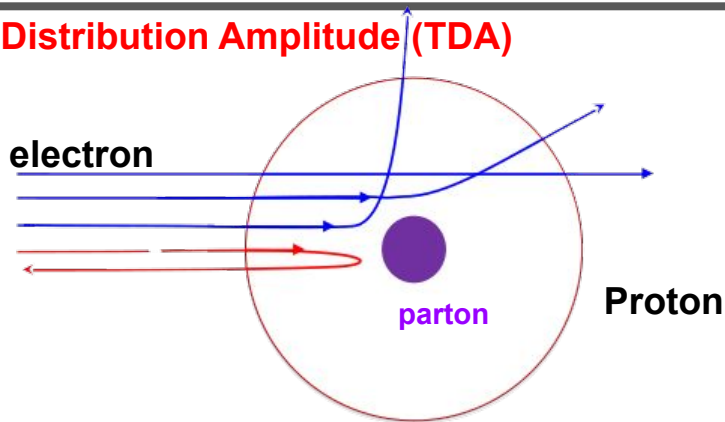
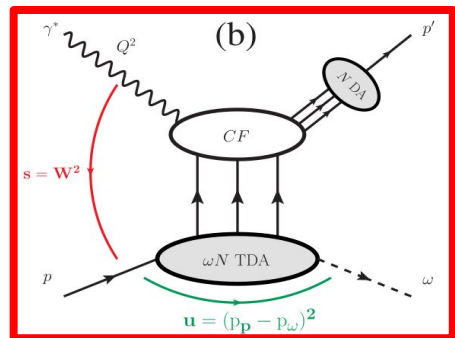
Far-Forward
 Detection
 JLab LDRD
 proposal
 pending
 FY2014



- π^0 acceptance into the forward tagging detector should be similar to recoiled neutron:
 - Maximum: 20 mrad cone down to 0 deg
- π^0 momentum ?
- Resolution needed to resolve the $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2$ gamma ?

Backward-angle structure of Proton

Meson-nucleon Transition Distribution Amplitude (TDA)



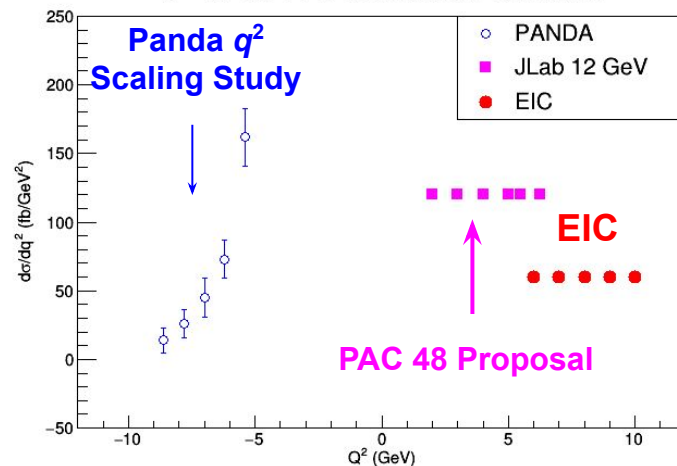
- **Complete description of Nucleon:**

- GPD = Hadron tomography of the proton
- TDA = tomography of partonic distributions in the nucleon --> meson and vice versa transitions probed in the backward angle kinematics

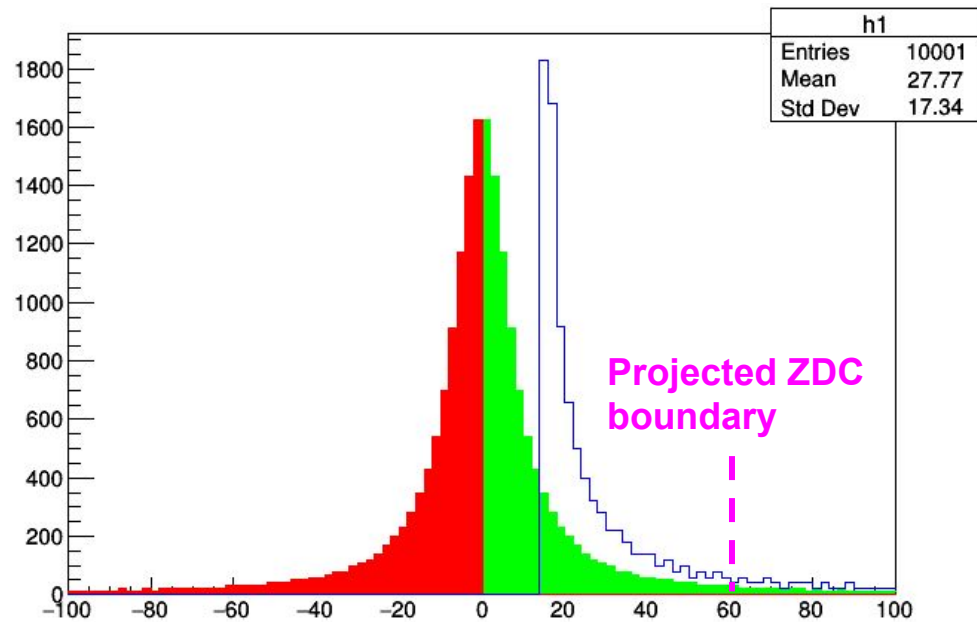
- **Two Postulation of TDA:**

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Higher momentum is better



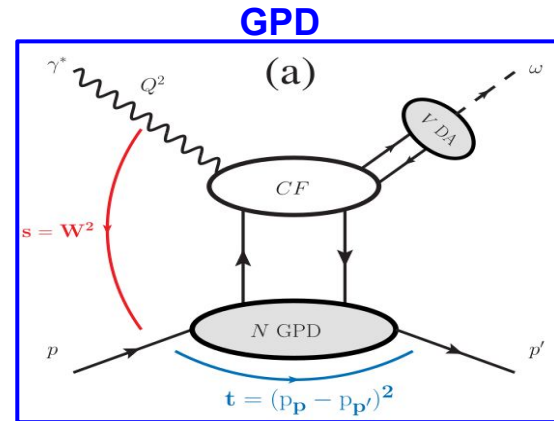
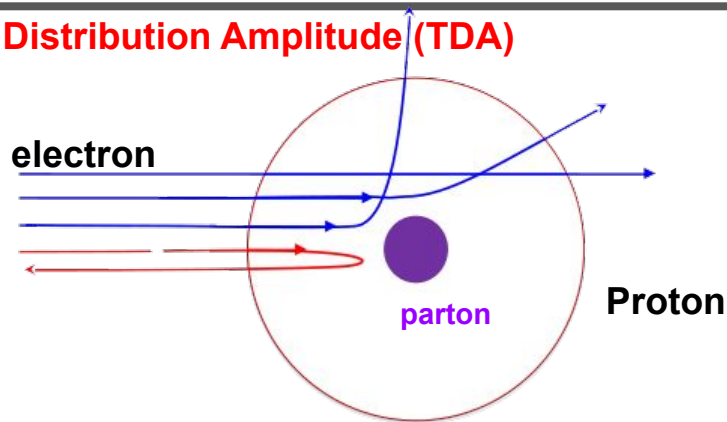
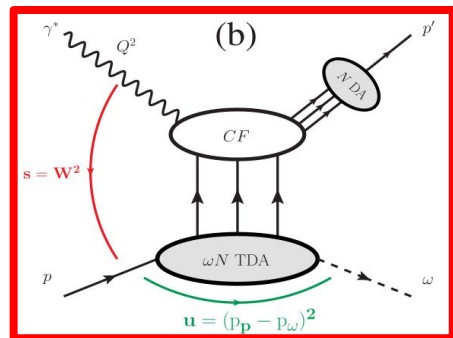
- $Q^2 = 6.2 \text{ GeV}$, π^0 momentum=56.29 GeV
- Minimum two photon separation: $\sim 15 \text{ cm}$
- Separation distribution max: 16 cm

Next step

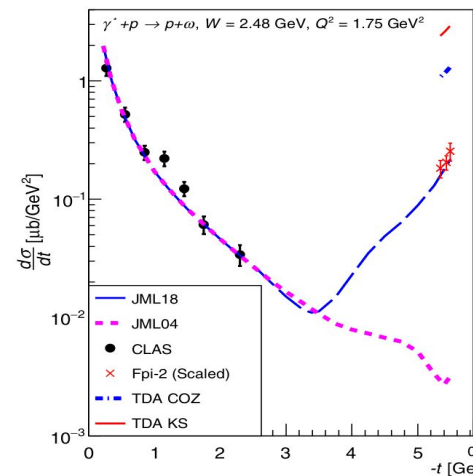
- Photon study PID study (from neutron) in **fast smear** and **full EIC simulation**
- Awaits for the physics TDA model/calculation from Bernard, Lech and Kirill
- Similar backward angle studies on
 - η (planning)
 - ω (in progress)
 - π^+ (speculating)

Backward-angle structure of Proton

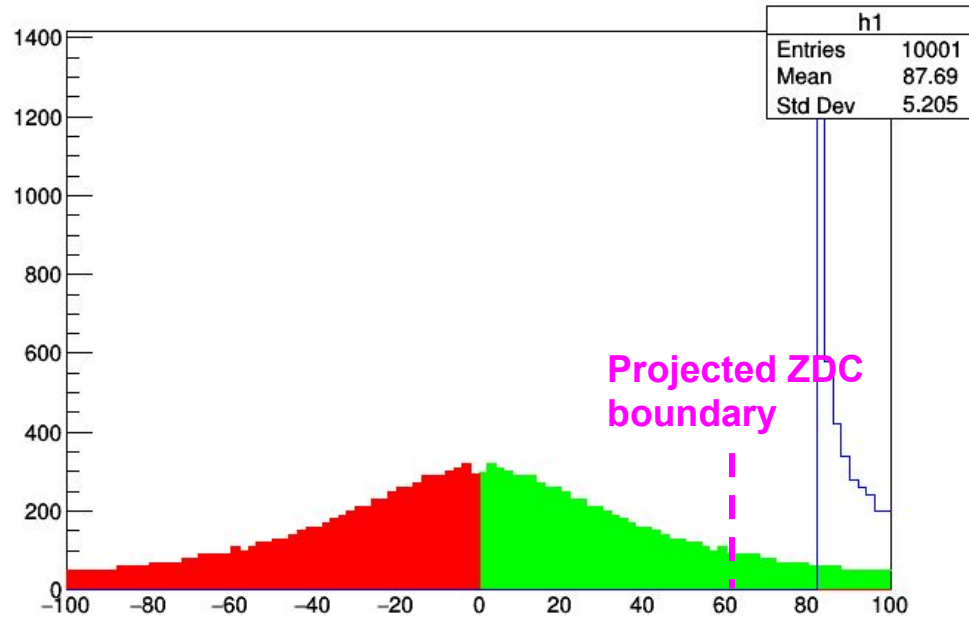
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η decay on ZDC



- $s=10 \text{ GeV}^2$, $Q^2=10 \text{ GeV}^2$, η momentum = 42 GeV
- Impossible for ZDC with 60 cm x 60 cm size at 32 m
- Still worth studying as it contribute to single photon background
- Possibility for end-cap detector? Need to study, same of for ω

In this Update

- Kinematics changed to focus on $Q^2 < 10 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Corrected and adjusted
 - Proton incidence angle 50 mrad \rightarrow 25 mrad
 - Pi^0 constrained to ± 10 mrad from proton incidence angle
- Photon detection in ZDC
 - Position and angle expectation
- **Question to experts and convenors**

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- Are there any plot to generate to demonstrate kinematics coverage?
- Plots to show detector constraints.

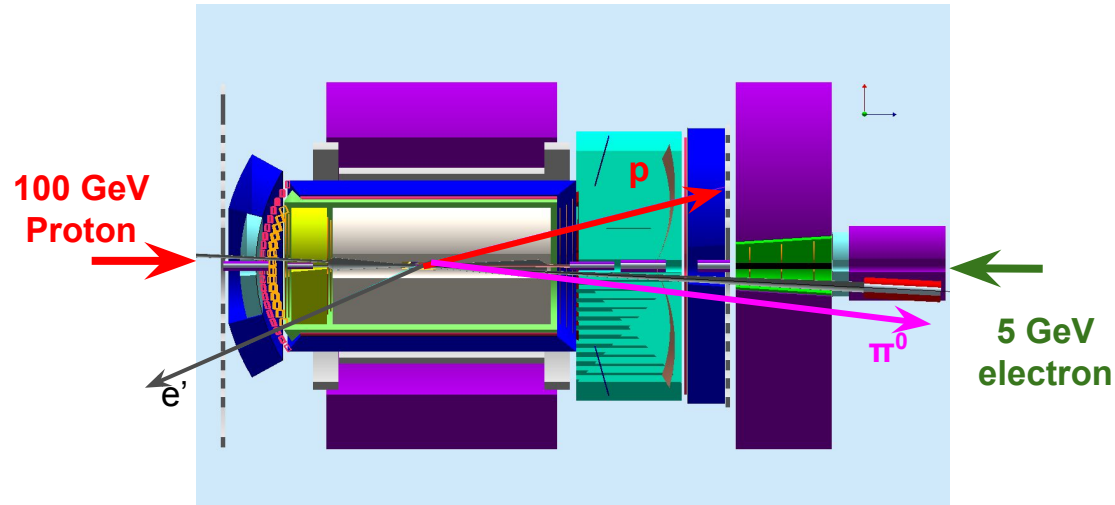
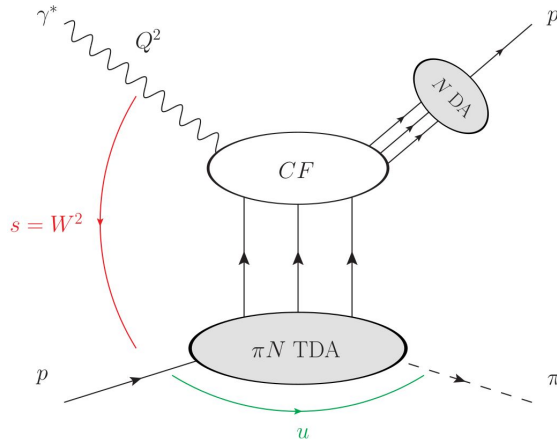
Backup

In this Update

- Short information on the backward-angle (u-channel) meson production
- U-channel π^0 production in EIC
 - Where particles go?
 - Kinematics
 - Produced π^0 momentum distribution
- Our plan and timeline

Short update on the backward-angle π^0 Production

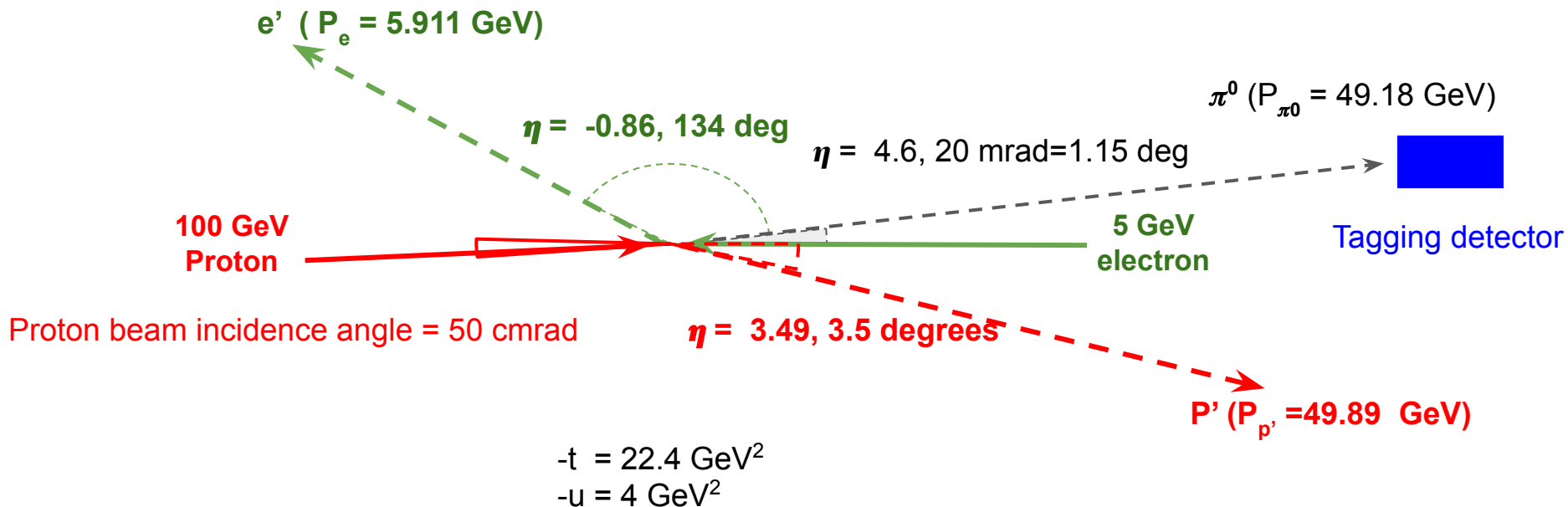
Bill and Bernard on behalf of backward meson production group



- Bill merged the EIC exclusive charged pion production generator into a C++ coding platform
- Bill is now working on this platform to make it more general (by separating the physics section of the code and make it modular)
- The same platform could be used for other processes (such as backward-angle DVCS) in the EIC
- Justin Stevens will give an update on our progress at the Temple meeting in March
- Any question or interested in helping, contact Bill: billlee@jlab.org

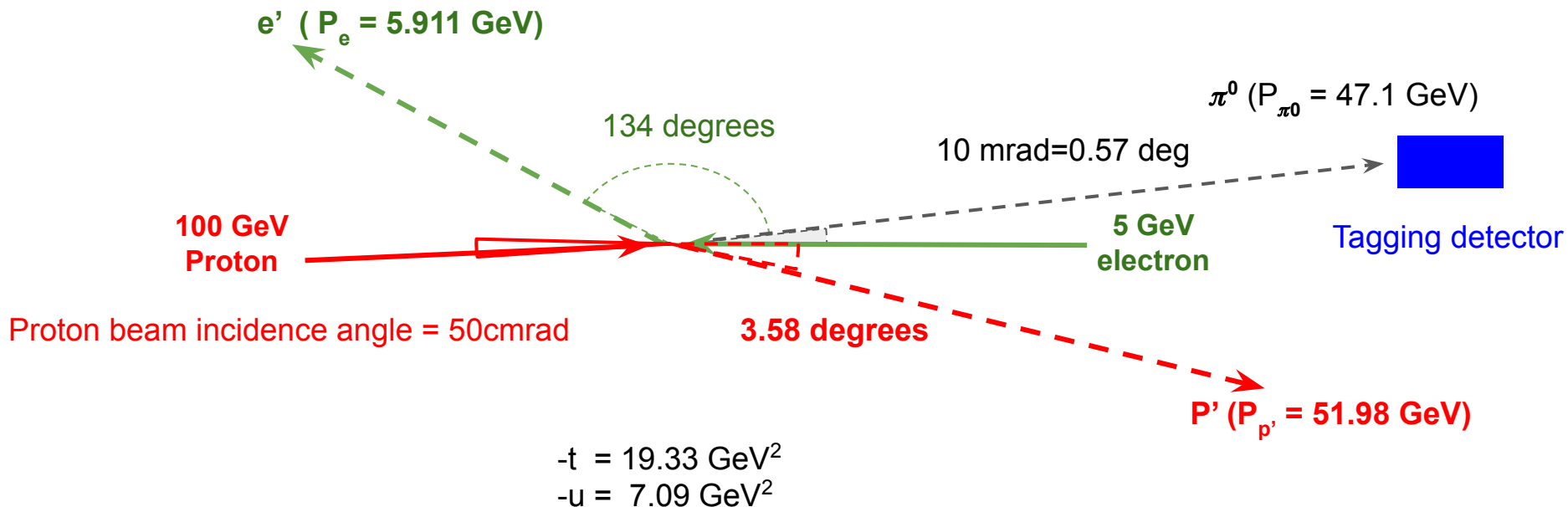
Simplest case: π^0 at 20 mrad

$$s=10 \text{ GeV}^2, W= 3.13 \text{ GeV}, Q^2 = 18.05 \text{ GeV}^2,$$



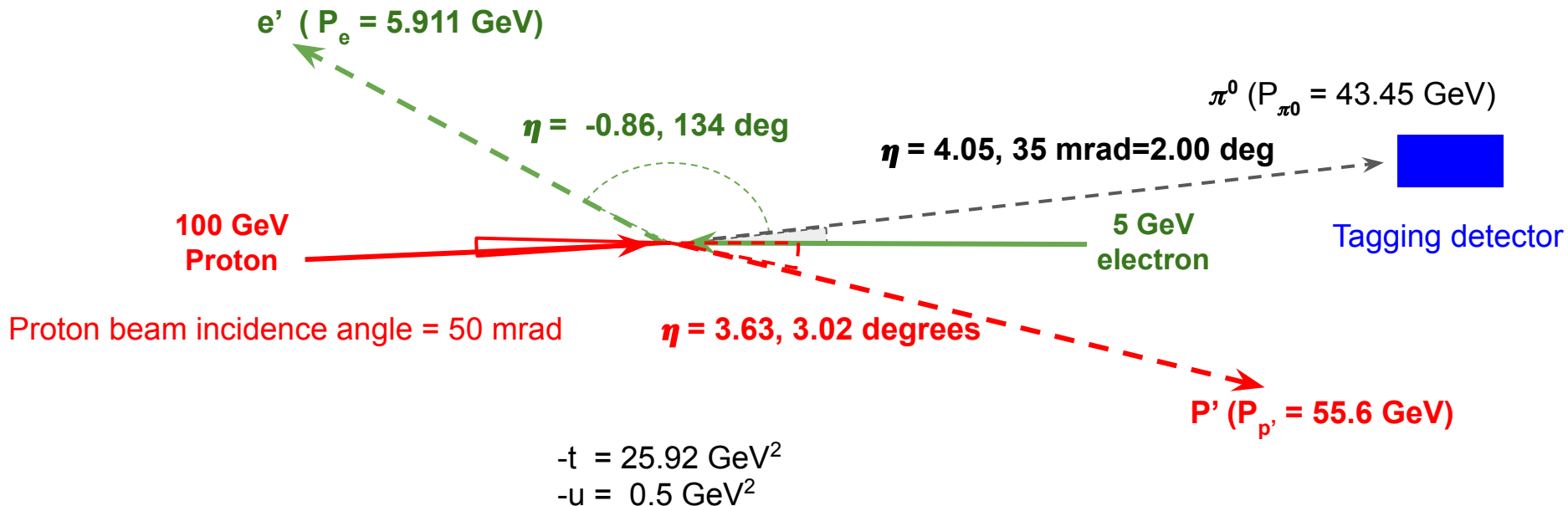
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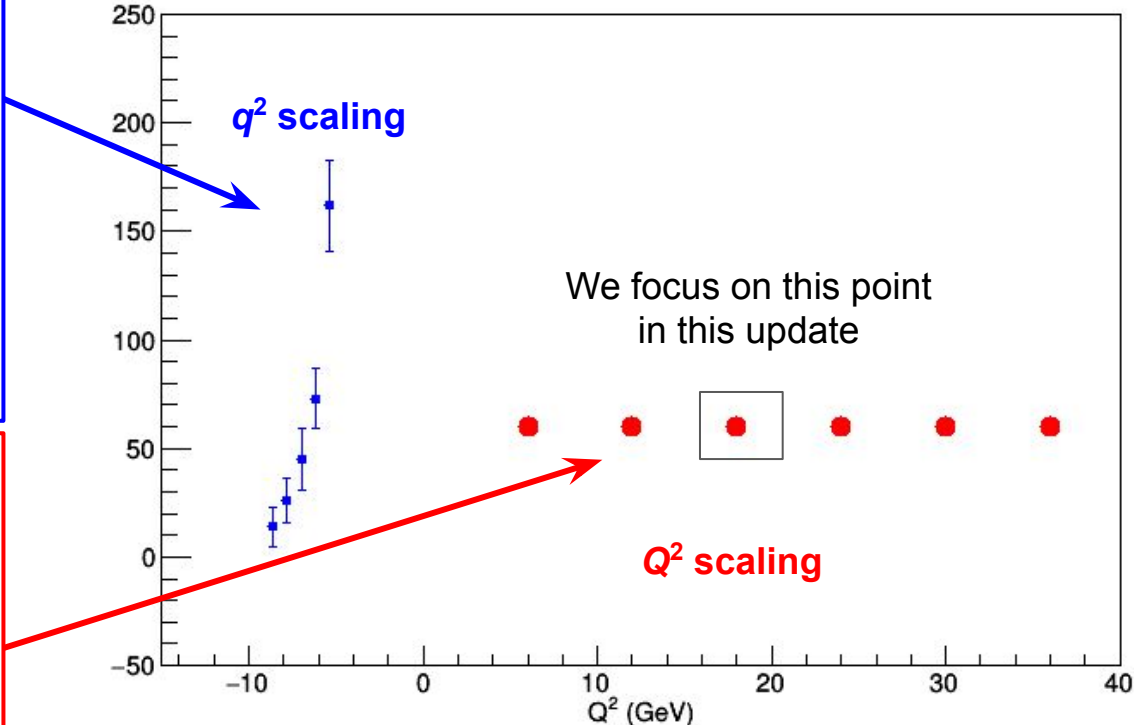
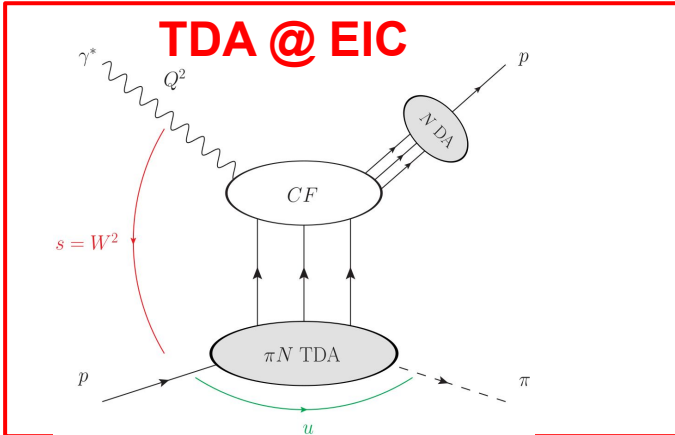
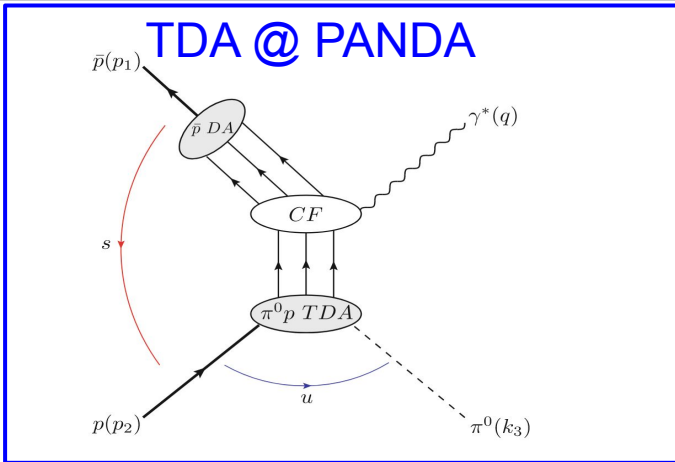
Simplest case 2: π^0 at 35 mrad (15 mrad from p incidence angle)

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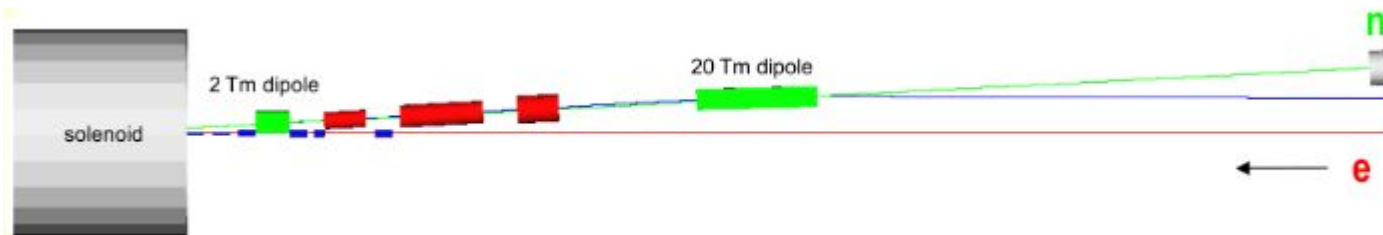
Q^2 (space-like) and q^2 (time-like) Scaling

The PANDA Collaboration, Eur. Phys. J. A (2015) 51: 107



Same TDAs for PANDA and EIC, the ultimate universality check

Detecting a 20-50 GeV π^0



- At 20-50 GeV, $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2$ gamma decay angle (between two photon) is 0.8-0.4 degree.

- Best way to detect π^0 at neutro $\sin \theta_{\max} = \frac{m_{\pi}}{2E_{\gamma}}$ we need to insert lead to slow down π^0 ?
Resolution needed to distinguish π^0 from single photon DVCS events?

- Simulation is needed to answer these questions

- Some feedbacks and suggestions from experts:

- Abhay: PHENIX central arm, 5 meters from IR. $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2$ photon separation at about 20 GeV. Our calorimeter granularity 2.7 cm square facing the IR.
- Elke: In Star, ECal at 7m and separate π^0 up to 60 geV
- Preshower to the calorimeter?

Far-Forward hadron detection

G4BeamLine → GEANT4

- *Neutron* detection in a 20 mrad cone *down to 0°*

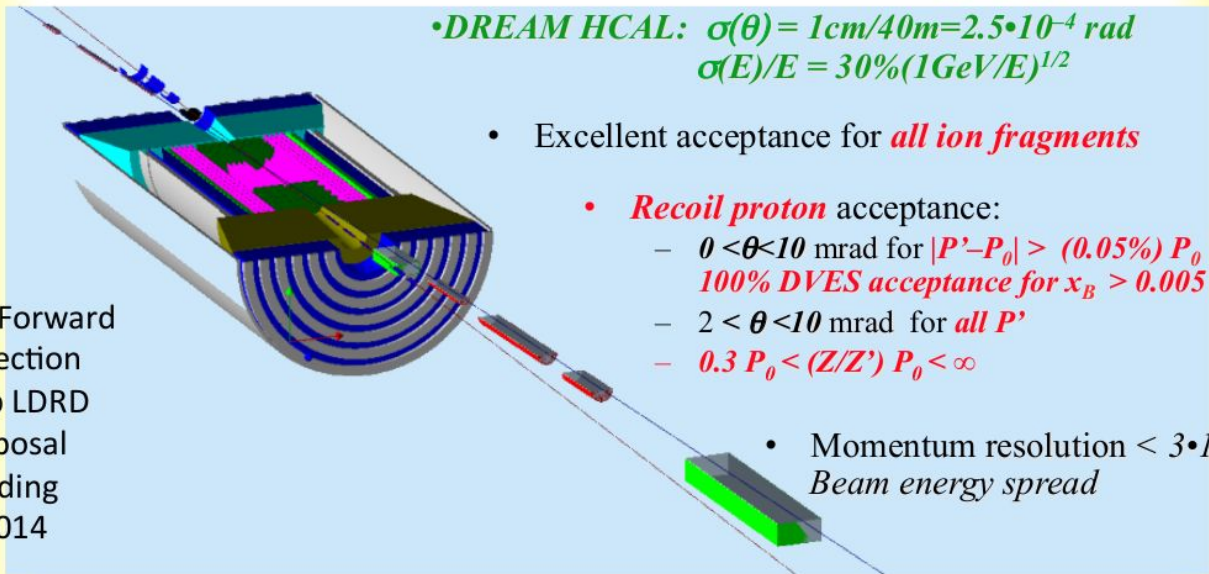
• *DREAM HCAL*: $\sigma(\theta) = 1\text{cm}/40\text{m} = 2.5 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$
 $\sigma(E)/E = 30\%(1\text{GeV}/E)^{1/2}$

- Excellent acceptance for *all ion fragments*

- *Recoil proton* acceptance:

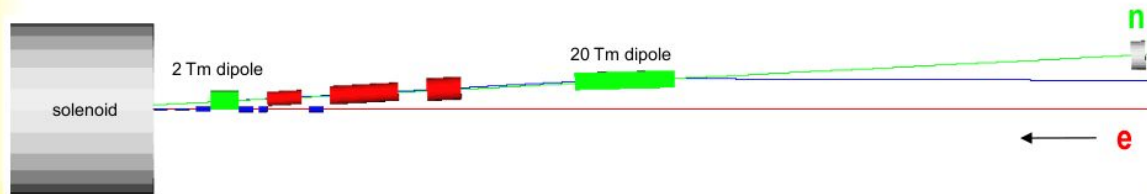
- $0 < \theta < 10$ mrad for $|P' - P_0| > (0.05\%) P_0$
100% DVES acceptance for $x_B > 0.005$
- $2 < \theta < 10$ mrad for *all P'*
- $0.3 P_0 < (Z/Z') P_0 < \infty$

- Momentum resolution $< 3 \cdot 10^{-4}$
Beam energy spread



Far-Forward
 Detection
 JLab LDRD
 proposal
 pending
 FY2014

- π^+ acceptance into the forward tagging detector should be similar path to proton:
 - Maximum: 10 mrad cone down to 0 deg
- The kinematics tables are coming.



π^+