

Study of the eta meson production with the polarized proton beam

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Motivation

- Dynamics of the eta meson production in $pp \rightarrow pp\eta$ reaction.
- Interaction of the η meson with nucleons.
- Mechanism of η meson production.

For the studies, a precise knowledge about contributions from different partial waves is required. We would like to learn about it from the **Analyzing power (A_y)** measurement.

Vector of A_y may be understood as a measure of the relative deviation between the differential cross section for the experiment with and without polarized beam.

$$\sigma(\zeta, P) = A_y(\zeta) \cdot P \cdot \sigma_0(\zeta) + \sigma_0(\zeta)$$

where $\zeta = \{m_{pp}, m_{p\eta}, \phi, \theta, \psi\}$

Method to extract A_y for experiment.

- **1 step:** $\vec{p}+p \rightarrow p+p$ we know from EDDA experiment A_y Polarization P
we calculate

- **2 step:** $\vec{p}+p \rightarrow p+p+\eta$ we calculate

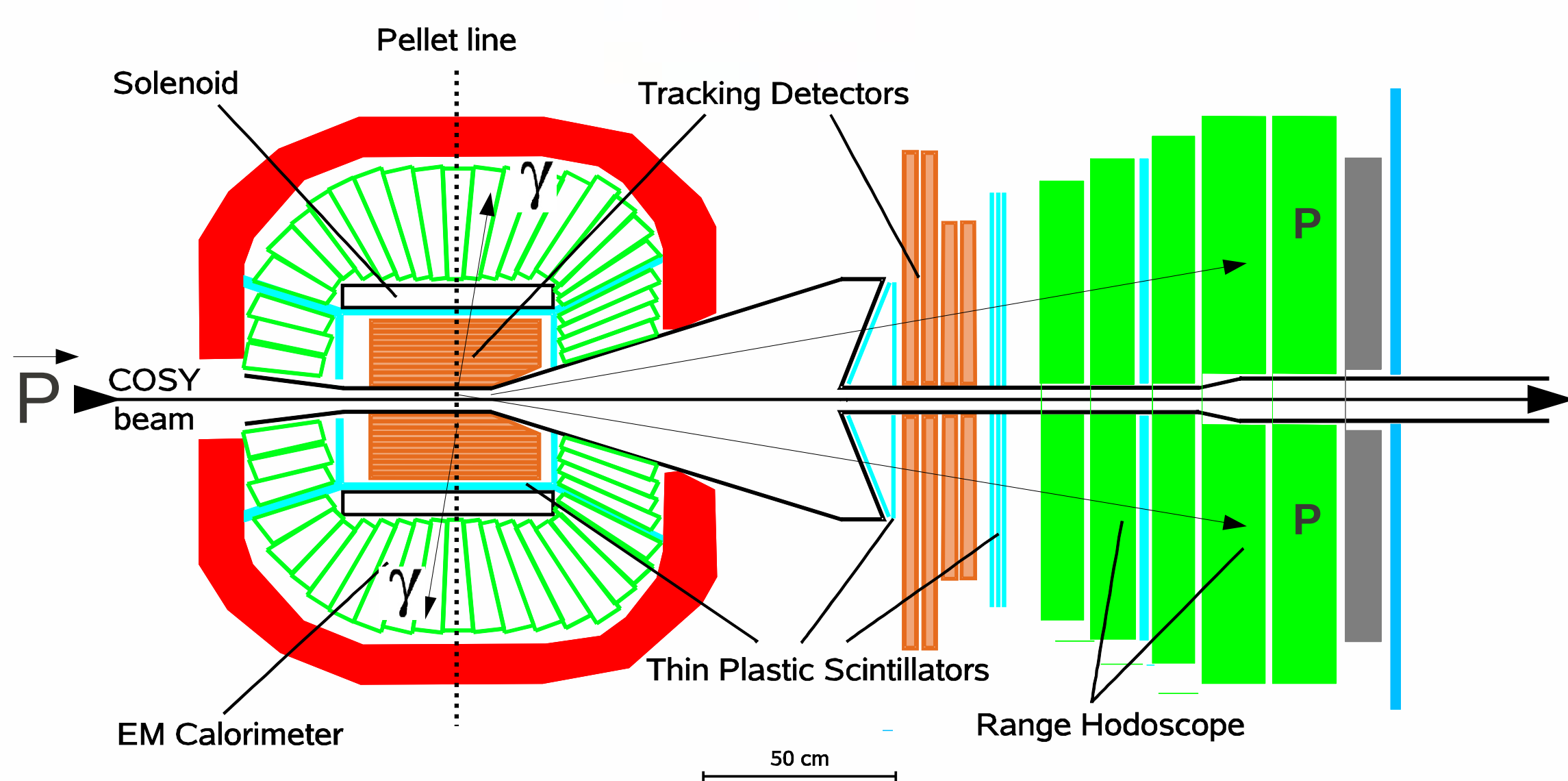
$$N_\eta(\theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{N_\eta^+(\theta, \phi) \cdot N_\eta^-(\theta, \phi + \pi)}{\epsilon^+(\theta, \phi) L^+ \cdot \epsilon^-(\theta, \phi + \pi) L^-}}$$

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we know Polarization P
- **3 step:** So, we calculate A_y for $\vec{p}+p \rightarrow p+p+\eta$ reaction.

$$\frac{N_\eta(\theta, \phi) - N_\eta(\theta, \phi + \pi)}{N_\eta(\theta, \phi) + N_\eta(\theta, \phi + \pi)} \cdot \frac{1}{P \cdot \cos\phi} = A_y(\theta).$$

WASA-at-COSY Detector

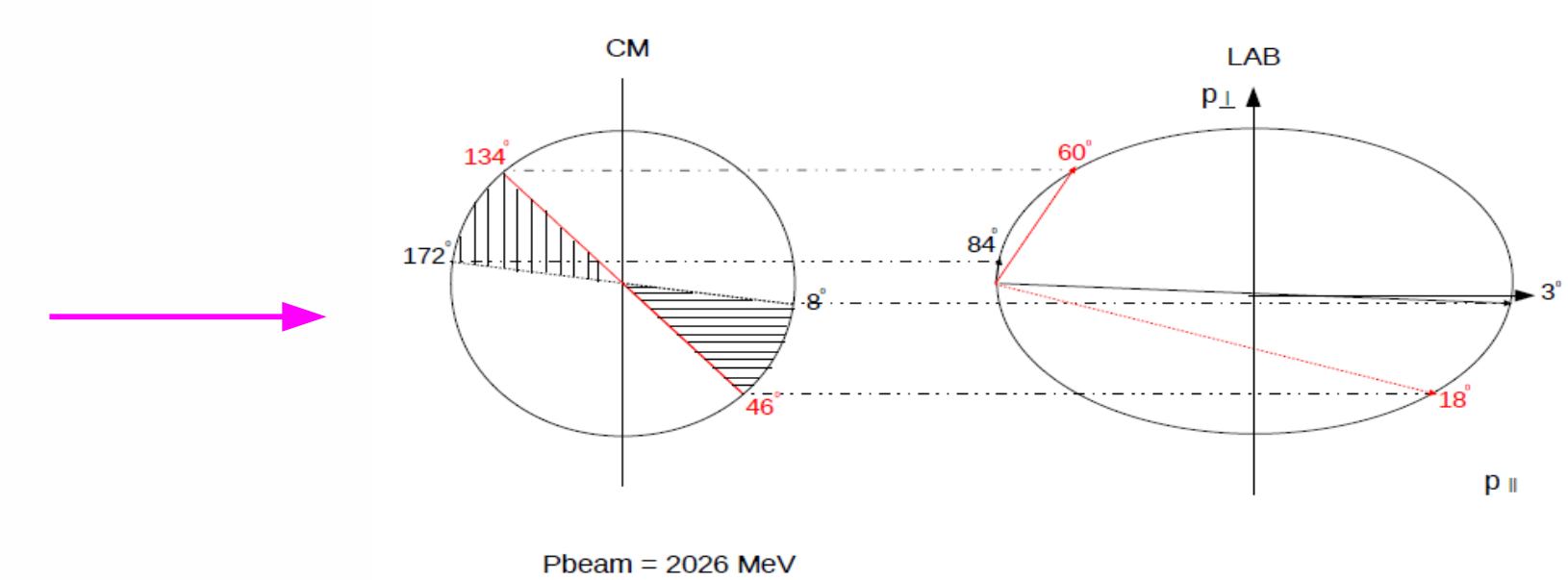


• Protons from $pp \rightarrow pp\eta$ reaction are registered in the Forward Detector and gamma quanta from η meson decay are detected in the electromagnetic calorimeter.

- WASA detector covers following polar angular ranges:
 - Forward Detector $[3^\circ, 18^\circ]$;
 - Central Detector $[60^\circ, 84^\circ]$.

Beam parameter and expected number of events for each excess energy

Q MeV/c	P MeV/c	σ_{tot} [mb]	Acc	$N_{\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$	$N_{\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0}$
15	2026	10^3	0.55	99770	81861
72	2188	$5 \cdot 10^3$	0.63	447739	375580



Asymmetry for $pp \rightarrow pp$ reaction

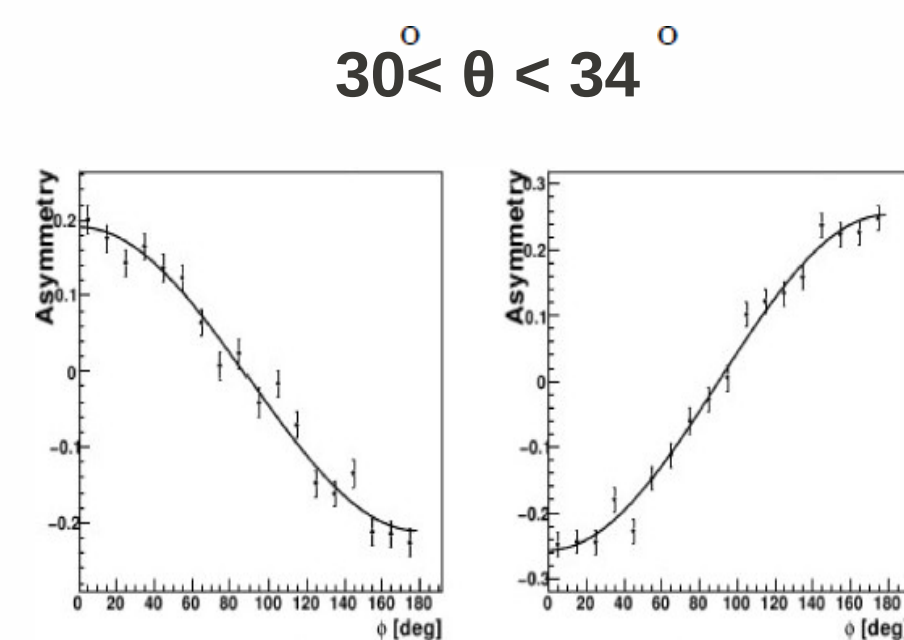
The degree of polarization was determined based on the elastic scattering $pp \rightarrow pp$ for which values of analyzing power have been determined by the EDDA[1,2] experiment.

After identification of events corresponding to elastically scattered protons, number of $pp \rightarrow pp$ events for each angular bin, $N(\theta, \phi)$ was determined.

The polarization, P , can be written as:

$$P \equiv \frac{1}{A_y} \cdot \epsilon(N(\theta, \phi), N(\theta, \phi + \pi))$$

where ϵ is an asymmetry.



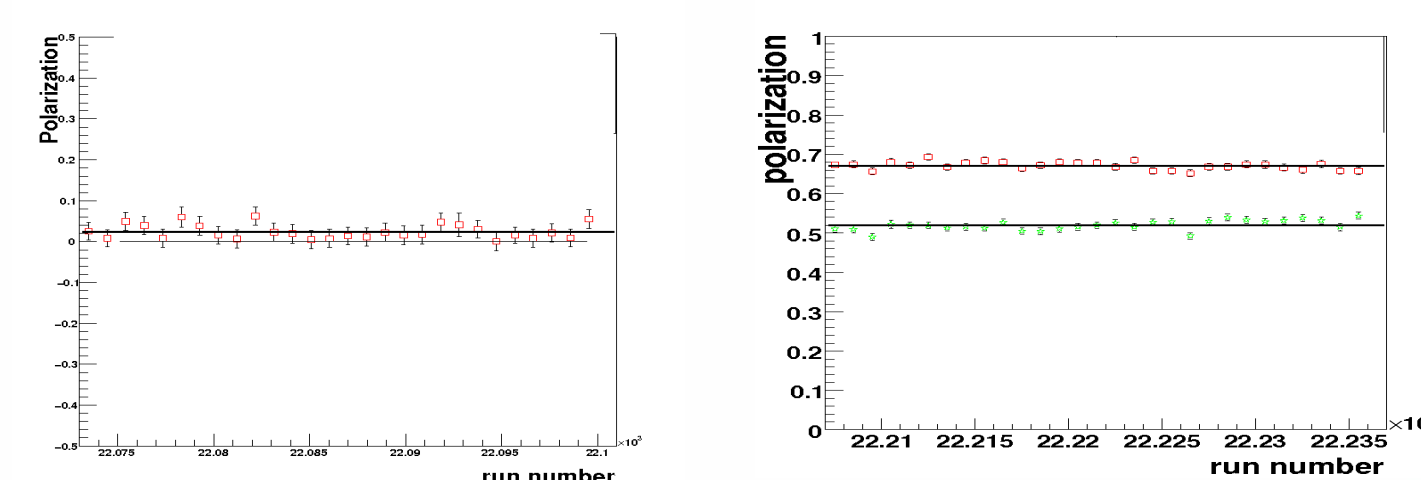
We have really strong asymmetry in experiment!

$$\frac{N(\theta, \phi) - N(\theta, \phi + \pi)}{N(\theta, \phi) + N(\theta, \phi + \pi)} \equiv \epsilon(N(\theta, \phi), N(\theta, \phi + \pi))$$

Cuts & Conditions

1. Identification of protons which registered in the FD;
2. Threshold for PS 2 MeV;
3. Difference in azimuthal angle;
4. Graphical cut on polar angle for the $\vec{p}p \rightarrow pp$ reaction

In practice the polarization of the COSY beam can depend on the spin orientation. Therefore, it is determined for both spin orientations separately.

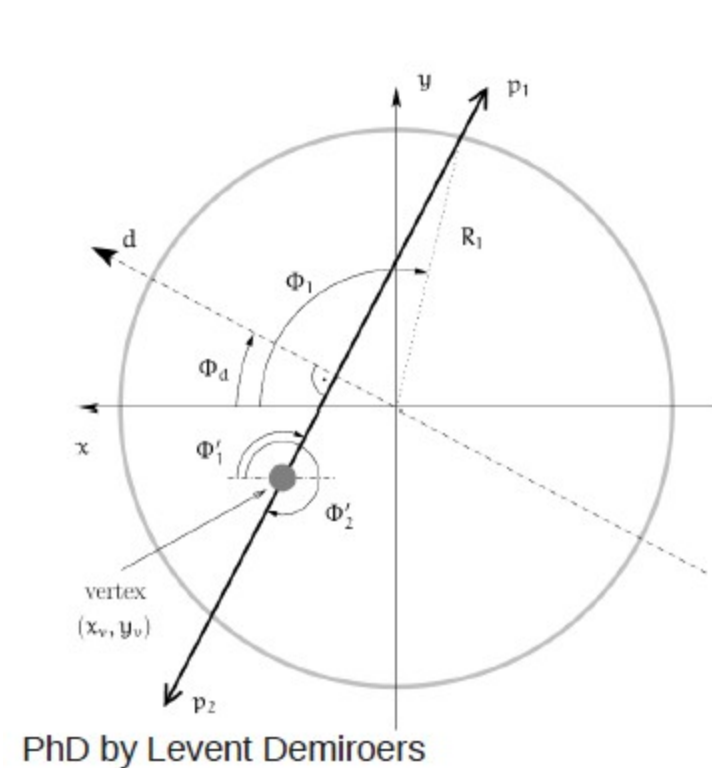


Polarization is stable in time

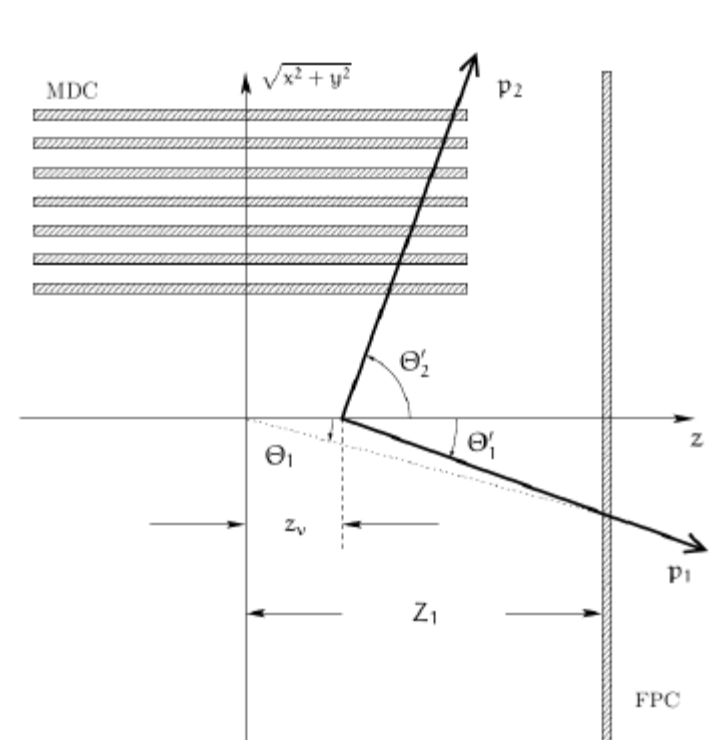
Study of the systematic uncertainty in the polarization determination

Reconstruction of the vertex position of the interaction point:

xy vertex coordinate method

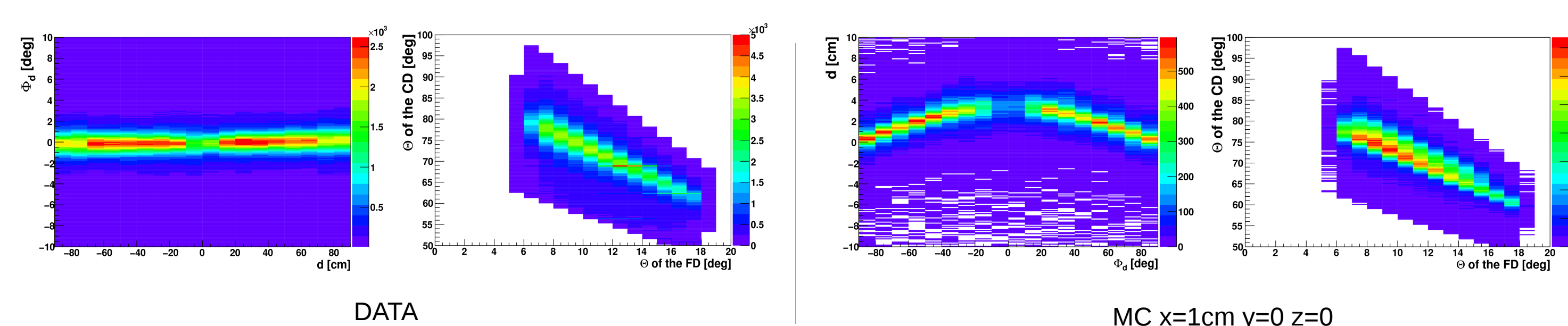


z vertex coordinate method

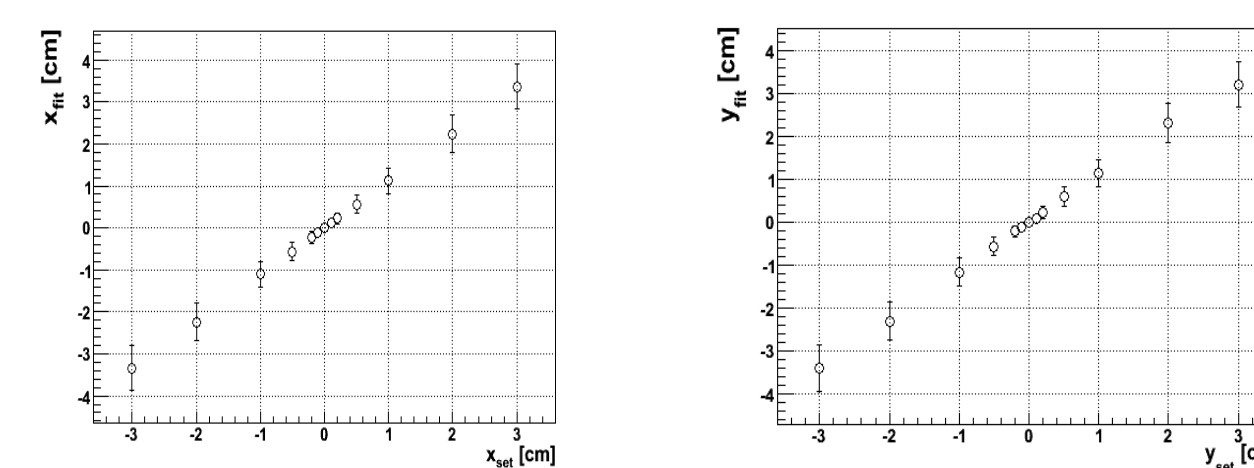


p_1 : forward going proton
 Φ_1 : reconstructed azimuthal angle (FD)
 Φ_2 : reconstructed azimuthal angle (CD)
 R_1 : radius of intersection with FTH
 $d = fzFTH \cdot \tan(\theta_1) \cdot \cos(\Phi_1 - \Phi_2)$
 $z_{FTH} = 148.33$
 $d = x^{vertex} \cos(\Phi_2) + y^{vertex} \sin(\Phi_2)$
 $\tan(\theta_2) = \frac{1 - (z^{vertex} / z_{FTH})^2}{\tan(\theta_1)} \cdot Y_{CMS}$

Histograms for extraction vertex position



To study how a shifted interaction point is reflected on the reconstructed value of x,y,z MC simulations were done, which show that we need to control the position of the interaction point with the precision higher than 0,3 cm.

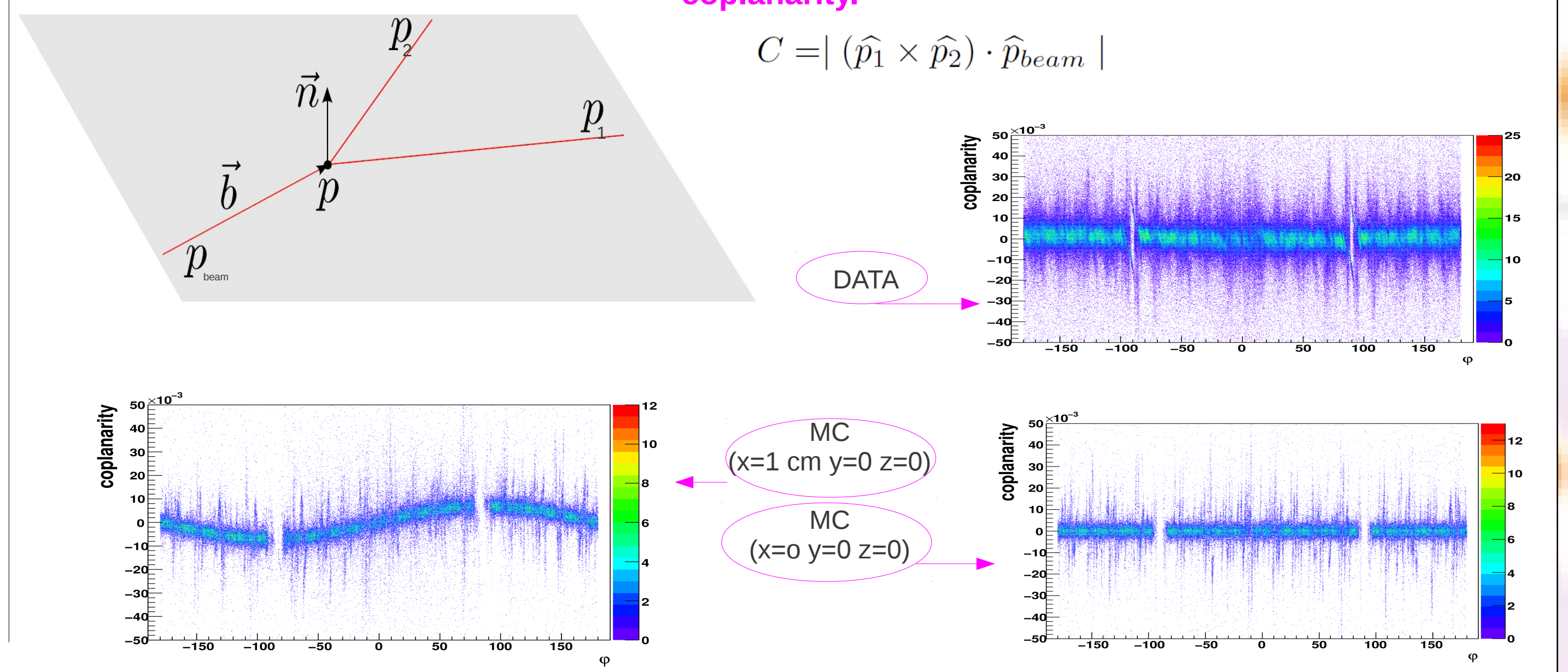


Result of extracted value for DATA

X = (-0.13 ± 0.02) cm
Y = (0.11 ± 0.02) cm
Z = (0.31 ± 0.35) cm

Possible misalignment of the beam and/or target's position also controlled by coplanarity.

$$C = |(\hat{p}_1 \times \hat{p}_2) \cdot \hat{p}_{beam}|$$



Outlook

- analysis of November 2010 data
- obtain Luminosity
- calculate number of Left/Right scattered eta mesons
- extract A_y for $\vec{p}p \rightarrow pp\eta$ experiment

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