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Precision Measurement of Longitudinal and
Transverse Response Functions of
Quasi-Elastic Electron Scattering in the
Momentum Transfer Range
 $0.55 \text{ GeV}/c \leq |\mathbf{q}| \leq 1.0 \text{ GeV}/c$

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Abstract

We propose to make a precision measurement of inclusive electron scattering cross sections in the quasi-elastic region for a wide range of momentum transfers for ${}^4\text{He}$, ${}^{12}\text{C}$, ${}^{56}\text{Fe}$ and ${}^{208}\text{Pb}$. We will extract the longitudinal and transverse response functions in the momentum transfer range $0.55 \text{ GeV}/c \leq |\mathbf{q}| \leq 1.0 \text{ GeV}/c$ with a precision of a few percent improving significantly on the precision of previous measurements in the overlap region. This should allow us to confirm/refute the presently controversial issue of the quenching of the longitudinal response function in medium weight nuclei and as importantly investigate the $|\mathbf{q}|$ evolution of the Coulomb Sum Rule as we probe significantly shorter distances.

1 Introduction and Motivation

One of the important questions in nuclear physics is how nucleon properties are affected by the nuclear medium, since it might form a bridge between the strong interaction between nucleons and the underlying theory of Quantum ChromoDynamics (QCD). A good example is the partial restoration of chiral symmetry in nuclear matter and its consequence for nucleon properties in the nuclear medium (for a comprehensive review see Ref. [1]). Since elastic scattering from a free nucleon has been well measured, quasi-elastic electron scattering off nuclei is considered a promising tool to investigate the properties of nucleons in nuclei. In particular, it was proposed [2] that a Rosenbluth separation of the charge and magnetic responses of a nucleus (R_L and R_T , respectively) could test a model-independent property known as the Coulomb sum rule (CSR). This sum rule states that when integrating the quasi-elastic $R_L(q, \omega)$ over the full range of energy loss ω at large enough three-momentum transfer $|\mathbf{q}| = q$ (greater than twice the Fermi momentum, $q \geq 500$ MeV/c), one should count the number of protons (Z) in a nucleus. More explicitly the quantity $S_L(q)$ defined by

$$S_L(q) = \frac{1}{Z} \int_{0^+}^{\infty} \frac{R_L(q, \omega)}{\tilde{G}_E^2} d\omega$$

is predicted to be unity in the limit of large q . Here $\tilde{G}_E = (G_E^p + N/ZG_E^n)\zeta$ takes into account the nucleon charge form factor inside the nucleus (which is usually taken to be equal to that of a free nucleon) as well as a relativistic correction (ζ) suggested by de Forest [3]. The lower limit of integration 0^+ excludes the elastic peak and the excited states of the nucleus.

This simple picture can be spoiled by the modification of the free nucleon electromagnetic properties by the nuclear medium and the presence of nucleon-nucleon short-range correlations. However, it is expected that around q of 500 MeV/c, S_L should not deviate more than a few percent from unity due to nucleon-nucleon correlations, and reach unity at higher q -values, independent of the nucleon-nucleon force chosen. Thus, a result of S_L far from unity might indicate a possible modification of the nucleon electric properties in the nuclear medium at moderate distances (for example a change in the pion cloud charge distribution) while at very short distances the nucleon hard core might remain unmodified. While there are several theoretical approaches (for example, see Ref. [4] and references therein) on

how to treat nucleons in nuclei the experimental situation is not ideal to help settle the important theoretical issues.

In the last twenty years a large experimental program has been carried out at Bates [5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12], Saclay [13, 14, 15, 16, 17] and SLAC [18, 19] aimed at the extraction of R_L and R_T for a variety of nuclei. Overall consistency of the data set between different laboratories has been observed except for ^{40}Ca between Bates [12] and Saclay [14, 15].

At Bates and Saclay, Rosenbluth separations were only performed up to q of 550 MeV/ c , because of the maximum beam energy limitations (~ 800 MeV/ c), while at SLAC, only a measurement at $q=1140$ MeV/ c was performed due to the minimum beam energy available (~ 900 MeV/ c). In this respect, Jefferson Lab offers a unique opportunity to overlap and extend the world data on R_L and R_T with a significantly improved precision.

In the case of medium-weight and heavy nuclei conclusions reached by different experiments ranged from a full saturation of the CSR to its violation by 30 %. As a result a spectrum of explanations has emerged ranging from questioning the validity of the experiments (i.e., experimental backgrounds and inadequate Coulomb corrections especially for heavy nuclei) to suggesting a picture of a “swollen nucleon” in the nuclear medium due to a partial deconfinement [20, 21, 22, 23].

A recent analysis by Jourdan [24, 25] which included data from all laboratories and uses Coulomb corrections through a Local Effective Momentum Approximation (LEMA) calculation by the Ohio group [26], concluded that the data are consistent with the saturation of the Coulomb Sum Rule, $S_L(q = 570 \text{ MeV}/c) = 0.91 \pm 0.12$. The LEMA is supported by a full Distorted Wave Born Approximation (DWBA), however, it has been shown recently [27], by comparing quasi-elastic electron and positron scattering off ^{12}C and ^{208}Pb , that the Effective Momentum Approximation (EMA) can adequately describe quasi-elastic scattering, at variance with the LEMA calculations by the Ohio group [26].

We also point out that the error bar on S_L is underestimated because the systematic error contributions resulting from the use of several laboratory data are poorly known. Furthermore, at the q value chosen, extrapolations were necessary for R_L at the excitation energies in the dip region, leading to a larger uncertainty in the evaluation of systematic errors.

A global reanalysis of the existing data was undertaken by Morgenstern and Meziani (M&M) using the EMA to correct for the Coulomb corrections and Rosenbluth separations were performed to extract R_L and R_T for

Table 1: Comparison of the Coulomb Sum in ^{56}Fe , obtained by Jourdan and from the M&M analysis at $q = 570 \text{ MeV}/c$. (*) No SLAC data were used in this case.

| Analysis | Saclay Uncertainty | SLAC Uncertainty | Coulomb Correction | S_L |
|----------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Jourdan | total | statistical | No | 0.86 ± 0.12 |
| | total | statistical | Yes | 0.91 ± 0.12 |
| M&M | total | (*) | No | 0.72 ± 0.23 |
| | total | (*) | Yes | 0.63 ± 0.20 |
| | total | total | No | 0.82 ± 0.12 |
| | total | total | Yes | 0.73 ± 0.12 |

medium weight and heavy nuclei. The quantitative difference of the experimental Coulomb sum results between Jourdan analysis and M&M analysis [28] is summarized in Table 1. Two sources of difference are identified; (a) the Coulomb corrections and (b) the use of the total error in the Saclay data but only the statistical error in the SLAC data by Jourdan. For (a), the Coulomb corrections used in [24, 25] following the prescription of [26], at variance with the experimental confirmation of the EMA [27], have the opposite sign; they increase R_L instead of decreasing it. From Figs. 8 and 9 of Ref. [27] it is clear that these corrections reduce the magnitude of the large ω tail while in the case of [26] they enhance it: the Coulomb corrections of M&M reduce S_L by 10% while Jourdan's increase it by 5%. The reduction of R_L when using the EMA was already observed in the analysis of SLAC experiment NE9 [18]. For (b), more weight was given to the SLAC NE3 data by using only their statistical error in the Rosenbluth procedure leading to an artificial enhancement of R_L by 4%.

Figure 1 shows the results obtained for S_L of ^{40}Ca , ^{48}Ca , ^{56}Fe and ^{208}Pb in this new analysis[28]. In order to evaluate S_L the Simon [29] parametrization was used for the proton charge form factor, while for the neutron charge form factor the recent data by Herberg *et al.* [30] were taken into account. The results are compared to theoretical calculations for nuclear matter [31] (solid black curve) and ^4He [32] (dashed curve); the results in these two cases as expected are very similar and exhibit only a few percent quenching beyond

and for all but investigating the q evolution of R_L in a totally uncharted territory is also of paramount importance.

At Jefferson Lab, we can make a measurement with improved precision compared to the existing data. We propose to measure the evolution of the Coulomb sum between $q = 550$ MeV/ c and $q = 1000$ MeV/ c in order to verify/refute its quenching at moderate momentum transfer and to investigate its saturation at high momentum transfer. This measurement will be performed on several targets from ${}^4\text{He}$ to ${}^{208}\text{Pb}$ in order to address the issue of density dependence and Coulomb corrections. Whether the explanation of effects is from short range correlations or electromagnetic properties modifications, this new measurement will have a positive impact on our understanding of the behavior of nucleons in the nuclear medium.

2 Separation of R_L and R_T

Under the assumption of one-photon exchange, the differential cross section of the inclusive electron scattering can be written as follows:

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{d\Omega d\omega} = \sigma_M \left[\frac{Q^4}{\mathbf{q}^4} R_L(|\mathbf{q}|, \omega) + \frac{Q^2}{2\mathbf{q}^2} \frac{R_T(|\mathbf{q}|, \omega)}{\varepsilon} \right]$$

where

$$\varepsilon(|\mathbf{q}|, \omega, \theta) = \left[1 + \frac{2\mathbf{q}^2}{Q^2} \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right]^{-1},$$

$Q^2 = \mathbf{q}^2 - \omega^2$ gives the four-momentum squared of the exchanged virtual photon, ε is its polarization parameter, ω is the energy loss of the scattered electron, θ its laboratory scattering angle, σ_M is the Mott cross section, and $R(|\mathbf{q}|, \omega, \theta)$ is the total response function.

In order to extract R_L and R_T , we need to measure the cross sections at a minimum of two different angles keeping $|\mathbf{q}|$ and ω constant. Let σ_f and σ_b be the cross sections measured at the forward (f) and backward (b) angles respectively. In the same way, let ε_f and ε_b be the two corresponding virtual photon polarizations. Then solving two simultaneous linear equations lead us to the following expressions for R_L and R_T :

$$\begin{aligned} R_L &= \frac{|\mathbf{q}|^4}{Q^4 \sigma_M} \frac{1}{(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_b)} (\varepsilon_f \sigma_f - \varepsilon_b \sigma_b) \\ R_T &= \frac{|\mathbf{q}|^2}{Q^2 \sigma_M} \frac{2\varepsilon_f \varepsilon_b}{(\varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_b)} (\sigma_b - \sigma_f) \end{aligned}$$

The final goal of the measurement is to study the response functions at constant $|\mathbf{q}|$. However, keeping $|\mathbf{q}|$ constant is almost impractical since in Hall A, it involves continuous change of beam and scattered electron energies. Instead, at constant angle but various, discrete values of the beam energy, we can cover as much space as possible in the (\mathbf{q}, ω) domain by changing continuously the energy of the scattered electrons. Then, by using an appropriate interpolation method we can deduce the cross section at specific values of (\mathbf{q}, ω) . Once forward and backward cross sections at specific values of (\mathbf{q}, ω) have been determined, we use the Rosenbluth separation to extract R_L and R_T for each (\mathbf{q}, ω) .

3 Kinematics

In order to minimize the uncertainty in R_L , it is important to measure the cross section at the largest and smallest ε possible (or the most forward and backward angle, respectively). For the most forward angle, we chose 15° although the spectrometers in Hall A can be moved a little more forward with the presence of technicians. Our choice is close enough to the most forward angle without overhead time for special handling.

For the backward angle, we need to find a compromise with rapidly dropping counting rates and the lowest detectable energy by the spectrometers. We also find 120° to be the largest angle practical given these constraints. This allows for the largest Rosenbluth lever arm within a single experiment compared to all previous experiments.

In order to perform a Rosenbluth separation, the minimum number of necessary angles is two. However, having additional angles enables us to check for any angle dependent systematic errors and the linearity of the Rosenbluth plot. We choose two more angles 60° and 90° , which gives us four ε approximately equally spaced.

To have as much coverage as possible in (\mathbf{q}, ω) to reduce systematic uncertainties in the interpolation procedure, we need beam energies ranging from 400 MeV to 4 GeV. For the most forward angle, the necessary beam energies range from 1.2 GeV to 4.0 GeV. For all the other angles, we need beam energies ranging from 0.4 GeV to 1.2 GeV. Taking data at various beam energies at four constant scattering angles has an added advantage of reducing systematic uncertainties in the radiative corrections procedure. Finally, the measurement at high ω requires spectrometer momentum settings

down to 100 MeV/ c .

With this choice of kinematics, we can measure response functions from $|\mathbf{q}| = 550\text{MeV}/c$ to $1000\text{ MeV}/c$. At each $|\mathbf{q}|$, the excitation energy range covers the quasi-elastic peak and part of Δ -resonance where R_L is expected to be small or close to zero[33].

Figures 2 to 5 show the actual coverage in Q^2 and ω for each spectrometer momentum setting at the most forward and backward angles. In the figures, lines are drawn showing constant $|\mathbf{q}| = 550\text{ MeV}/c$ and $1000\text{ MeV}/c$ and $W = 940\text{ MeV}/c^2$ and $1232\text{ MeV}/c^2$. Table 5 lists all the kinematic settings.

4 Estimation of Accuracy of R_L and R_T

We can estimate the uncertainty in the extracted response functions due to the relative statistical uncertainty $\Delta\sigma/\sigma$, the lever arm $\Delta\varepsilon$ and the ratio σ_L/σ_T . The uncertainty is expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\Delta R_L}{R_L} &= \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma} \frac{1}{\Delta\varepsilon} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{R} + \varepsilon_f\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{R} + \varepsilon_b\right)^2} \\ \frac{\Delta R_T}{R_T} &= \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma} \frac{R}{\Delta\varepsilon} \sqrt{\varepsilon_f^2 \left(\frac{1}{R} + \varepsilon_b\right)^2 + \varepsilon_b^2 \left(\frac{1}{R} + \varepsilon_f\right)^2}\end{aligned}$$

In this expression, $R = \sigma_L/\sigma_T$ is the ratio of longitudinal and transverse virtual photo-absorption cross sections. From these two expressions, we note that the uncertainty in the extracted response functions is inversely proportional to $\Delta\varepsilon$. Figure 6 shows the difference of the virtual photon polarization ε between the forward and backward angle for a few values of $|\mathbf{q}|$. Typically, we can achieve $\Delta\varepsilon = \varepsilon_f - \varepsilon_b = 0.85$ compared to a typical $\Delta\varepsilon \simeq 0.5$ in the previous measurements. The increase in $\Delta\varepsilon$ achievable in Hall A of Jefferson Lab combined with low relative systematic uncertainties in the determination of beam energy, its position and scattering angle makes a crucial improvement in the uncertainties on the extraction of the response functions and therefore on the Coulomb Sum determination.

Using $R = \sigma_L/\sigma_T$ values for ^{56}Fe from [14, 15, 18] and assuming statistical uncertainty of 1% for each 10 MeV excitation energy bin, the statistical uncertainty of R_L at the quasi-elastic peak has been estimated for the two values of $|\mathbf{q}|$. Figures 7 and 8 shows the comparison of expected statistical uncertainties at Jefferson Lab with the existing data. We can achieve more data points with better statistical precision.

5 Experiment

We propose to measure cross sections over the whole quasi-elastic scattering and part of the Δ resonance region on ^4He , ^{12}C , ^{56}Fe and ^{208}Pb at four different angles and 16 incident beam energies as a function of A and nuclear density.

5.1 Target

Our choice of targets ranging from ^4He to ^{208}Pb allows us to study any A or density dependent effect one might observe. Furthermore, Coulomb corrections can be addressed by the same targets since we expect small Coulomb corrections for ^4He and ^{12}C , but rather significant corrections for ^{208}Pb .

For ^4He target, we plan to use Hall-A Cryo target which provides ^4He gas at 15 atmospheres at 5.8K. The length of the target is 10 cm so the density is equal to 1.4 g/cm^2 . Due to the short length of ^4He target, we also need to do a measurement on a dummy cell to measure the contribution from the cell windows. For the nuclei other than ^4He , solid targets of thickness 100 mg/cm^2 will be used. For ^{208}Pb , two different target thicknesses will be used to check the radiative corrections.

5.2 Beam Current

The trigger rate for each spectrometer is limited to 2 kHz and this limits the used beam current. With the new helium cooled ^{56}Fe and ^{208}Pb target in Hall A, we can use up to $50 \mu\text{A}$ without damage due to heat produced by energy loss of the beam in the target. For the ^4He gas target, we can use a much higher beam current, but to avoid too much change in target density at high beam current, we plan to use only $50 \mu\text{A}$ for maximum beam current. The beam will be rasterized to reduce localized heating and possible damage to the target.

5.3 Spectrometers

Since this experiment is not a coincidence measurement, the two spectrometers of Hall-A can do independent measurements at a given beam energy. We shall optimize the angle settings to minimize the overhead of momentum and angle changes.

6 Background Considerations

There are three major sources of contamination in the measured cross section: pions, electrons from γ rays and scattering of electrons inside the spectrometer. The pion cross section increases as the energy transfer ω to the nucleus increases. However, using the Čerenkov and the Pb-glass detectors of the Hall A spectrometers, we have achieved typical pion rejection ratio of 5000.

The lowest scattered electron energy we will detect is 100 MeV at the backward angles. At this low energy spectrometer setting, the contribution of electrons from (e^+, e^-) pairs created from γ rays by the bremsstrahlung of the beam or by the decay of π^0 produced in the target needs to be subtracted from the electron yields. By reversing the polarity of the spectrometer with the detection system unchanged, we can measure the positron yields from this process and subtract an equal amount from the electron yields assuming charge symmetry of the process.

The scattering of the electrons inside the spectrometer, such as pole tip scattering usually generates uniform background on the focal plane. In particular, the measured momentum via reconstructed tracks in the wire chamber does not correspond to the actual momentum of the particle. This type of contamination could be important especially at the backward angles where the reaction cross sections are small. We plan to study this type of background using the existing data from Hall A and our own Monte-Carlo simulation.

To eliminate this kind of contamination, it is most effective to use a customized collimator so that no particles accepted by the spectrometer will scatter on the matter inside of it. From the Monte-Carlo simulation, we can design and build a few different shapes for the collimator. To choose an optimal shape, we need additional beam time to measure the rates of the scattered electrons inside the spectrometer. Once the study is done, we can choose one of the customized collimators which will eliminate this type of background.

7 Systematic Errors

To estimate systematic errors, we start from the cross section expression:

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{d\Omega d\omega} = \frac{N_{\text{detected}}(1.0 + \varepsilon_i)(1.0 + \text{DT})}{\left(\int \frac{\rho N_A}{A} dx\right) \left(\int \frac{I}{e} dt\right) \left(\int d\Omega d\omega\right)},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 N_{\text{detected}} &= \text{Number of events detected} \\
 \varepsilon_i &= \text{Inefficiency of the detector system} \\
 \text{DT} &= \text{Dead Time} \\
 \rho &= \text{Density of the target} \\
 N_A &= \text{Avogadro Number, } 6.022 \times 10^{23} \\
 A &= \text{Atomic number of the target} \\
 I &= \text{Beam current} \\
 e &= \text{Charge of the electron, } 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{C}
 \end{aligned}$$

- The uncertainty on the detector inefficiencies is less than 0.3%.
- There are two kinds of dead time corrections: one from the electronics and the other from the computer. The electronics dead time is less than 1%. The computer dead time can be as big as 10% depending on the counting rate but is monitored continuously with scalers. The systematic error on this computer dead time is much smaller than 0.3%.
- For solid targets, the thickness of the target can be measured within 0.5%. With ^4He gas target, in previous experiments, the thickness has been determined with an accuracy of $\sim 1\%$. To reduce the uncertainty on the target thickness for ^4He target, we plan to study the fluctuation of the target density due to the beam heating and correct for it.
- The beam current is measured with several, independent method in Hall-A and an accuracy of 0.3% has been achieved.
- The acceptance of the spectrometer is determined using a Monte-Carlo simulation for each spectrometer. Currently available simulation model gives 1.0% of systematic error point-to-point within the acceptance for a point target. For an extended target like ^4He , it will be about 1.5% using reduced acceptance cut. To minimize this uncertainty, some ^{12}C elastic data will be taken for the acceptance calibration purposes for each beam energy and spectrometer angle setting.¹

¹The uncertainty on the overall normalization is about 3% but would affect the R_L result only by the same amount (3%) since it changes cross sections at forward and backward angle by the same factor.

| Source | Solid Target | Gas Target |
|------------------------------------|--------------|------------|
| Beam Energy (4×10^{-4}) | <0.3 | <0.3 |
| Momentum reconstruction | <0.3 | <0.3 |
| Detector Inefficiency | <0.3 | <0.3 |
| Dead Time Corrections | <0.3 | <0.3 |
| Interpolation | <0.3 | <0.3 |
| Beam Current | <0.3 | <0.3 |
| Scattering Angle (0.2 mrad) | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Background | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Target Density (relative) | 0.5 | 1.0 |
| Radiative Corrections | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Acceptance (relative) | 1.0 | 1.5 |
| Total | 1.7 | 2.2 |

Table 2: Major contributions to the systematic uncertainty (in %).

In addition, there is another contribution from the radiative corrections which is discussed in the next section. From past experience, we expect 1% of systematic error from the radiative corrections.

Since we are doing a Rosenbluth separation of R_L and R_T , the uncertainty on the spectrometer angle or beam energy contributes to the systematic uncertainties on both response functions and the Coulomb Sum.

- The uncertainty of the spectrometer angle (0.7 mrad for Hall A spectrometers) has effects of 1 to 1.5 % on R_L . We plan to reduce this uncertainty to 0.2 mrad by taking calibration data at each angle.
- The uncertainty of the beam energy (2×10^{-4}) has effects of less than 0.3%

Finally, there is a systematic uncertainty from the interpolation of cross sections to constant $|\mathbf{q}|$ and we estimate it to be 0.5%. Table 2 summarizes all the major contributions to the systematic uncertainty.

By adding all the contributions in quadrature except that from the beam energy uncertainty, we can achieve a systematic error on the interpolated cross sections of 2.2% and 1.7% for ^4He gas target and solid targets, respectively. This means that the final systematic uncertainty on R_L will be

2.2 and 1.7 times the statistical uncertainty. Then the contribution from the scattering angle uncertainty (0.5%) should be added in quadrature. The final estimate of systematic uncertainties are plotted on Figures 7, 8 and 9.

8 Radiative Corrections

After removing all the backgrounds described above, the resulting cross sections need to be corrected for radiative effects. We will use the Mo and Tsai procedure without any energy or angular peaking approximations. Since we have taken enough spectra at various incident energies, we should be able to do reliable radiative corrections and achieve a systematic error less than 1%. Two target thicknesses will be used for ^{208}Pb to verify the external radiative corrections.

9 Coulomb Corrections for High Z Nucleus

Among the chosen targets, we expect the Coulomb corrections to be negligible for ^4He and ^{12}C . However, for high Z nucleus, such as ^{208}Pb , they can be significant. In the literature, two methods for performing the Coulomb corrections have been used: one used by Jourdan[24, 25] in his recent analysis which applied Coulomb corrections through LEMA (tested to be consistent with a full DWBA calculation by the Ohio group.[26]), the other known as standard EMA[34] used recently to describe successfully e^+ and e^- quasi-elastic scattering off ^{208}Pb [27].

In the EMA, the energies of the incident and scattered electron E and E' are replaced by $E_{\text{eff}} = E - V_C$ and $E'_{\text{eff}} = E' - V_C$, where V_C is the value of the effective Coulomb potential energy seen by the electron during the scattering process. The Rosenbluth formula can then be applied if we replace Q^2 and \mathbf{q}^2 by Q_{eff}^2 and $\mathbf{q}_{\text{eff}}^2$, respectively, while leaving the Mott cross section unchanged.[34] The values of V_C can be taken from Table II of Ref. [27].

At this time, LEMA does not reproduce the recent e^+/e^- quasi-elastic scattering data. However, the full DWBA calculation has not been checked against the same data and we expect this issue to be resolved in the near future.

To analyze our experiment, we will use whatever Coulomb correction method deemed to be correct and reliable.

10 Counting Rates and Required Time

To estimate the cross sections, we used the program by Lightbody and O'Connel. To evaluate the required time to do the measurement, we used a small solid angle of 4.4 msr for collimator solid angle of Hall-A spectrometer and $\pm 3.5\%$ for the momentum acceptance. Beam current has been maintained under 50 μA . Also, the counting rate by the data acquisition system is limited to 2 kHz per spectrometer.

The number of counts per second is given by the following formula:

$$\text{event rate} = \frac{d^3\sigma}{d\Omega d\omega} \Delta\omega \Delta\Omega \frac{t N_A I}{A e},$$

where

- t is the target thickness (we used 100 mg/cm^2),
- $N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23}$ is the Avogadro number,
- A is the mass number of the target nucleus,
- I is the beam current, and e is the charge of the electron.

From these conditions, we have evaluated the necessary time to obtain statistical error of 1% per 10 MeV excitation energy bin. Table 4 shows estimated data acquisition time for each incident beam energy and spectrometer angle setting. Each line represents time required to take data on all four targets. Since we can use both spectrometers in Hall-A simultaneously to do measurements, the actual required time for data taking will be about 70% of the estimated time.²

All the overhead is summarized in Table 3. For the beam energy change, we assumed 1 shift for the change of number of passes and 2 shifts when it is necessary to fine-tune individual cavities. We have regrouped the beam energies as follows (all energies are in GeV).

$$(0.8, 1.6, 2.4, 3.2, 4.0), \quad (0.5, 1.0, 2.0), \quad (0.9, 3.6) \\ (0.7, 2.8), \quad (0.6, 1.2), \quad (1.1), \quad (0.4)$$

²The two spectrometers are not measuring the same configuration in general. At high energy and the most forward angle measurement, they can be at the same angle but at different momentum settings. For all the other energies, one spectrometer (A) will be at backward angle while the other (B) is at forward angle. In general, the forward angle measurements are short and spectrometer A can then move to a backward angle to minimize waste of time.

| Item | Time (Hour) |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| Beam Energy Change | $21 \times 8 = 168$ |
| Beam Energy Measurement | $16 \times 2 = 32$ |
| Beam Current Calibration | $4 \times 1 = 4$ |
| Spectrometer Acceptance Calibration Data | $28 \times 3/4 = 21$ |
| Spectrometer Change (Angle & Momentum) | $286 \times 0.5 \times 0.7 = 100.1$ |
| Target Change | $143 \times 5 \times 1/12 = 59.6$ |
| Set-up and Test | $3 \times 24 = 72$ |
| Total | 456.7 (= 19 days) |

Table 3: Estimation of the overhead

It takes one shift to change energies within the same group since we only need to change number of passes. However, it takes two shifts to change from one group to another. So, we need 9 changes in number of passes and 6 changes of LINAC energies, requiring a total of 21 shifts.

There are two methods to do beam energy measurements: ep and Arc measurements. We assigned one hour for each method. Beam current calibration requires one hour for each beam energy.

We would like to take some ^{12}C elastic data for spectrometer acceptance calibration for each beam energy and spectrometer angle. For this we need 1/2 hour to change the spectrometer configuration and another 15 minutes to take data.

There is a total of 286 different settings for spectrometer angle and momentum and each change of setting requires 1/2 hour. Since we are using two spectrometers, we also expect that this overhead will be reduced by 30%.

A target change takes 5 minutes and there are 5 targets for each momentum setting (^3He , ^{12}C , ^{56}Fe and two different thicknesses for ^{206}Pb).

Finally, we need 3 days in the beginning for set-up and testing.

By adding the time for data taking and overhead, we reach 29 days of beam time for this measurement.

As mentioned in Section 6 on the important background issue, we need to study the electrons scattered inside the spectrometer to design an optimal collimator which reduces to negligible level or eliminates the effect. For this study, we also ask for a separate beam time of three days before the main experiment.

11 Summary

We propose to make a precision measurement of R_L and R_T of quasi-elastic electron scattering in the momentum transfer range $0.55 \text{ GeV}/c \leq |\mathbf{q}| \leq 1.0 \text{ GeV}/c$. The experiment will measure inclusive electron scattering cross section at various kinematic conditions (beam and scattered electron energy and scattering angle) on four nuclei: ${}^4\text{He}$, ${}^{12}\text{C}$, ${}^{56}\text{Fe}$ and ${}^{208}\text{Pb}$. Using R_L , we will evaluate the Coulomb Sum and study its evolution in the momentum range mentioned above. This new measurement will shed light on nucleon properties in the nuclear medium for various nuclear densities.

To do this measurement, we ask for 29 days of beam time and three additional days before the main experiment to study backgrounds from the electrons scattered inside the spectrometer.

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| E_{beam} | θ | No. of P_{ref} | Time (Hour) | Sub-Total (Hour) |
|----------------------|----------|-------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 17 | 11.3 | 22.3 |
| | 120.0° | 16 | 10.9 | |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 20 | 13.9 | 30.0 |
| | 120.0° | 18 | 16.1 | |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 16 | 10.7 | 48.9 |
| | 90.0° | 17 | 15.6 | |
| | 120.0° | 18 | 22.7 | |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 13 | 8.8 | 57.6 |
| | 90.0° | 14 | 20.6 | |
| | 120.0° | 15 | 28.2 | |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 11 | 8.5 | 53.7 |
| | 90.0° | 13 | 23.1 | |
| | 120.0° | 13 | 22.0 | |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 10 | 10.7 | 48.8 |
| | 90.0° | 12 | 24.3 | |
| | 120.0° | 6 | 13.8 | |
| 1000.0 | 60.0° | 9 | 15.3 | 26.8 |
| | 90.0° | 6 | 11.4 | |
| 1100.0 | 60.0° | 9 | 18.4 | 18.4 |
| 1200.0 | 15.0° | 6 | 4.0 | 24.2 |
| | 60.0° | 8 | 20.2 | |
| 1600.0 | 15.0° | 4 | 2.7 | 2.7 |
| 2000.0 | 15.0° | 3 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| 2400.0 | 15.0° | 3 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| 2800.0 | 15.0° | 3 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| 3200.0 | 15.0° | 3 | 2.2 | 2.2 |
| 3600.0 | 15.0° | 2 | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| 4000.0 | 15.0° | 1 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| Total Time (hours) | | | | 345.2 |
| With 2 Spectrometers | | | | 241.6 |

Table 4: Estimation of the required time at each beam energy

| E_{beam} (MeV) | θ | P_{ref} (MeV/ c) | Q^2 (GeV 2) | ω (MeV) | W (GeV/ c^2) |
|-------------------------|----------|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 103.895 | 0.0831 | 296.11 | 1.1650 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 111.431 | 0.0891 | 288.57 | 1.1563 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 119.514 | 0.0956 | 280.49 | 1.1469 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 128.184 | 0.1025 | 271.82 | 1.1367 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 137.482 | 0.1100 | 262.52 | 1.1257 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 147.455 | 0.1180 | 252.54 | 1.1137 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 158.151 | 0.1265 | 241.85 | 1.1008 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 169.623 | 0.1357 | 230.38 | 1.0867 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 181.927 | 0.1455 | 218.07 | 1.0715 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 195.124 | 0.1561 | 204.88 | 1.0548 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 209.278 | 0.1674 | 190.72 | 1.0367 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 224.459 | 0.1796 | 175.54 | 1.0169 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 240.741 | 0.1926 | 159.26 | 0.9952 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 258.204 | 0.2066 | 141.80 | 0.9714 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 276.934 | 0.2215 | 123.07 | 0.9452 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 297.023 | 0.2376 | 102.98 | 0.9163 |
| 400.0 | 90.0° | 318.568 | 0.2549 | 81.43 | 0.8842 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 102.432 | 0.1229 | 297.57 | 1.1490 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 109.863 | 0.1318 | 290.14 | 1.1390 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 117.832 | 0.1414 | 282.17 | 1.1281 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 126.379 | 0.1517 | 273.62 | 1.1164 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 135.547 | 0.1627 | 264.45 | 1.1037 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 145.379 | 0.1745 | 254.62 | 1.0899 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 155.925 | 0.1871 | 244.07 | 1.0749 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 167.235 | 0.2007 | 232.76 | 1.0585 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 179.366 | 0.2152 | 220.63 | 1.0407 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 192.377 | 0.2309 | 207.62 | 1.0213 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 206.332 | 0.2476 | 193.67 | 1.0000 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 221.299 | 0.2656 | 178.70 | 0.9767 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 237.352 | 0.2848 | 162.65 | 0.9511 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 254.569 | 0.3055 | 145.43 | 0.9228 |
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 273.036 | 0.3276 | 126.96 | 0.8914 |

Table 5: Table of Kinematics

| E_{beam} (MeV) | θ | P_{ref} (MeV/c) | Q^2 (GeV ²) | ω (MeV) | W (GeV/c ²) |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 400.0 | 120.0° | 292.841 | 0.3514 | 107.16 | 0.8565 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 100.831 | 0.1008 | 399.17 | 1.2382 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 108.145 | 0.1081 | 391.86 | 1.2297 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 115.990 | 0.1160 | 384.01 | 1.2205 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 124.404 | 0.1244 | 375.60 | 1.2105 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 133.428 | 0.1334 | 366.57 | 1.1997 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 143.107 | 0.1431 | 356.89 | 1.1880 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 153.488 | 0.1535 | 346.51 | 1.1754 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 164.621 | 0.1646 | 335.38 | 1.1617 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 176.563 | 0.1766 | 323.44 | 1.1468 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 189.370 | 0.1894 | 310.63 | 1.1306 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 203.107 | 0.2031 | 296.89 | 1.1129 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 217.840 | 0.2178 | 282.16 | 1.0937 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 233.642 | 0.2336 | 266.36 | 1.0727 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 250.590 | 0.2506 | 249.41 | 1.0497 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 268.768 | 0.2688 | 231.23 | 1.0245 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 288.264 | 0.2883 | 211.74 | 0.9967 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 309.174 | 0.3092 | 190.83 | 0.9660 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 331.602 | 0.3316 | 168.40 | 0.9320 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 355.655 | 0.3557 | 144.35 | 0.8940 |
| 500.0 | 90.0° | 381.454 | 0.3815 | 118.55 | 0.8515 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 104.950 | 0.1574 | 395.05 | 1.2120 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 112.563 | 0.1688 | 387.44 | 1.2013 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 120.728 | 0.1811 | 379.27 | 1.1898 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 129.486 | 0.1942 | 370.51 | 1.1773 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 138.878 | 0.2083 | 361.12 | 1.1637 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 148.952 | 0.2234 | 351.05 | 1.1490 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 159.757 | 0.2396 | 340.24 | 1.1330 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 171.346 | 0.2570 | 328.65 | 1.1155 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 183.775 | 0.2757 | 316.23 | 1.0966 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 197.106 | 0.2957 | 302.89 | 1.0758 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 211.404 | 0.3171 | 288.60 | 1.0531 |

Table 6: Table of Kinematics (Continued)

| E_{beam} (MeV) | θ | P_{ref} (MeV/c) | Q^2 (GeV ²) | ω (MeV) | W (GeV/c ²) |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 226.739 | 0.3401 | 273.26 | 1.0282 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 243.186 | 0.3648 | 256.81 | 1.0008 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 260.826 | 0.3912 | 239.17 | 0.9706 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 279.747 | 0.4196 | 220.25 | 0.9370 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 300.039 | 0.4501 | 199.96 | 0.8997 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 321.803 | 0.4827 | 178.20 | 0.8578 |
| 500.0 | 120.0° | 345.147 | 0.5177 | 154.85 | 0.8106 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 174.826 | 0.1049 | 425.17 | 1.2562 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 187.508 | 0.1125 | 412.49 | 1.2436 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 201.110 | 0.1207 | 398.89 | 1.2300 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 215.698 | 0.1294 | 384.30 | 1.2152 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 231.344 | 0.1388 | 368.66 | 1.1991 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 248.126 | 0.1489 | 351.87 | 1.1816 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 266.125 | 0.1597 | 333.87 | 1.1626 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 285.429 | 0.1713 | 314.57 | 1.1418 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 306.134 | 0.1837 | 293.87 | 1.1191 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 328.340 | 0.1970 | 271.66 | 1.0942 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 352.158 | 0.2113 | 247.84 | 1.0669 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 377.703 | 0.2266 | 222.30 | 1.0368 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 405.101 | 0.2431 | 194.90 | 1.0035 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 434.486 | 0.2607 | 165.51 | 0.9665 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 466.004 | 0.2796 | 134.00 | 0.9252 |
| 600.0 | 60.0° | 499.807 | 0.2999 | 100.19 | 0.8787 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 143.257 | 0.1719 | 456.74 | 1.2531 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 153.648 | 0.1844 | 446.35 | 1.2403 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 164.794 | 0.1978 | 435.21 | 1.2264 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 176.748 | 0.2121 | 423.25 | 1.2113 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 189.569 | 0.2275 | 410.43 | 1.1949 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 203.320 | 0.2440 | 396.68 | 1.1770 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 218.069 | 0.2617 | 381.93 | 1.1576 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 233.887 | 0.2807 | 366.11 | 1.1363 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 250.853 | 0.3010 | 349.15 | 1.1131 |

Table 7: Table of Kinematics (Continued)

| E_{beam} (MeV) | θ | P_{ref} (MeV/c) | Q^2 (GeV ²) | ω (MeV) | W (GeV/c ²) |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 269.050 | 0.3229 | 330.95 | 1.0876 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 288.566 | 0.3463 | 311.43 | 1.0596 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 309.499 | 0.3714 | 290.50 | 1.0288 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 331.949 | 0.3983 | 268.05 | 0.9946 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 356.028 | 0.4272 | 243.97 | 0.9566 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 381.854 | 0.4582 | 218.15 | 0.9141 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 409.553 | 0.4915 | 190.45 | 0.8661 |
| 600.0 | 90.0° | 439.262 | 0.5271 | 160.74 | 0.8116 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 119.136 | 0.2144 | 480.86 | 1.2543 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 127.778 | 0.2300 | 472.22 | 1.2415 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 137.047 | 0.2467 | 462.95 | 1.2277 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 146.988 | 0.2646 | 453.01 | 1.2127 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 157.651 | 0.2838 | 442.35 | 1.1964 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 169.086 | 0.3044 | 430.91 | 1.1787 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 181.352 | 0.3264 | 418.65 | 1.1594 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 194.507 | 0.3501 | 405.49 | 1.1383 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 208.616 | 0.3755 | 391.38 | 1.1153 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 223.749 | 0.4027 | 376.25 | 1.0900 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 239.979 | 0.4320 | 360.02 | 1.0623 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 257.387 | 0.4633 | 342.61 | 1.0317 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 276.058 | 0.4969 | 323.94 | 0.9979 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 296.083 | 0.5329 | 303.92 | 0.9602 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 317.560 | 0.5716 | 282.44 | 0.9181 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 340.596 | 0.6131 | 259.40 | 0.8708 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 365.302 | 0.6575 | 234.70 | 0.8169 |
| 600.0 | 120.0° | 391.801 | 0.7052 | 208.20 | 0.7548 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 245.996 | 0.1722 | 454.00 | 1.2510 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 263.841 | 0.1847 | 436.16 | 1.2324 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 282.979 | 0.1981 | 417.02 | 1.2122 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 303.506 | 0.2125 | 396.49 | 1.1902 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 325.522 | 0.2279 | 374.48 | 1.1661 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 349.135 | 0.2444 | 350.87 | 1.1397 |

Table 8: Table of Kinematics (Continued)

| E_{beam} (MeV) | θ | P_{ref} (MeV/c) | Q^2 (GeV ²) | ω (MeV) | W (GeV/c ²) |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 374.461 | 0.2621 | 325.54 | 1.1106 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 401.624 | 0.2811 | 298.38 | 1.0786 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 430.758 | 0.3015 | 269.24 | 1.0432 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 462.004 | 0.3234 | 238.00 | 1.0038 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 495.518 | 0.3469 | 204.48 | 0.9598 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 531.462 | 0.3720 | 168.54 | 0.9102 |
| 700.0 | 60.0° | 570.014 | 0.3990 | 129.99 | 0.8538 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 198.203 | 0.2775 | 501.80 | 1.2448 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 212.580 | 0.2976 | 487.42 | 1.2257 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 228.000 | 0.3192 | 472.00 | 1.2049 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 244.539 | 0.3424 | 455.46 | 1.1822 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 262.278 | 0.3672 | 437.72 | 1.1573 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 281.303 | 0.3938 | 418.70 | 1.1300 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 301.709 | 0.4224 | 398.29 | 1.1000 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 323.594 | 0.4530 | 376.41 | 1.0669 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 347.067 | 0.4859 | 352.93 | 1.0302 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 372.243 | 0.5211 | 327.76 | 0.9893 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 399.245 | 0.5589 | 300.75 | 0.9434 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 428.206 | 0.5995 | 271.79 | 0.8917 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 459.268 | 0.6430 | 240.73 | 0.8326 |
| 700.0 | 90.0° | 492.582 | 0.6896 | 207.42 | 0.7642 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 162.697 | 0.3417 | 537.30 | 1.2458 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 174.499 | 0.3664 | 525.50 | 1.2268 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 187.157 | 0.3930 | 512.84 | 1.2061 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 200.733 | 0.4215 | 499.27 | 1.1835 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 215.294 | 0.4521 | 484.71 | 1.1588 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 230.911 | 0.4849 | 469.09 | 1.1316 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 247.661 | 0.5201 | 452.34 | 1.1018 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 265.626 | 0.5578 | 434.37 | 1.0688 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 284.894 | 0.5983 | 415.11 | 1.0323 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 305.560 | 0.6417 | 394.44 | 0.9917 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 327.725 | 0.6882 | 372.27 | 0.9462 |

Table 9: Table of Kinematics (Continued)

| E_{beam} (MeV) | θ | P_{ref} (MeV/c) | Q^2 (GeV ²) | ω (MeV) | W (GeV/c ²) |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 351.498 | 0.7381 | 348.50 | 0.8948 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 376.995 | 0.7917 | 323.00 | 0.8362 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 404.342 | 0.8491 | 295.66 | 0.7683 |
| 700.0 | 120.0° | 433.672 | 0.9107 | 266.33 | 0.6882 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 316.302 | 0.2530 | 483.70 | 1.2409 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 339.246 | 0.2714 | 460.75 | 1.2159 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 363.855 | 0.2911 | 436.14 | 1.1885 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 390.248 | 0.3122 | 409.75 | 1.1583 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 418.557 | 0.3348 | 381.44 | 1.1251 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 448.918 | 0.3591 | 351.08 | 1.0883 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 481.482 | 0.3852 | 318.52 | 1.0475 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 516.408 | 0.4131 | 283.59 | 1.0018 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 553.868 | 0.4431 | 246.13 | 0.9504 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 594.045 | 0.4752 | 205.96 | 0.8919 |
| 800.0 | 60.0° | 637.136 | 0.5097 | 162.86 | 0.8247 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 233.872 | 0.3742 | 566.13 | 1.2545 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 250.836 | 0.4013 | 549.16 | 1.2307 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 269.032 | 0.4305 | 530.97 | 1.2047 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 288.547 | 0.4617 | 511.45 | 1.1762 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 309.478 | 0.4952 | 490.52 | 1.1448 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 331.927 | 0.5311 | 468.07 | 1.1102 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 356.005 | 0.5696 | 444.00 | 1.0718 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 381.829 | 0.6109 | 418.17 | 1.0290 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 409.526 | 0.6552 | 390.47 | 0.9810 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 439.233 | 0.7028 | 360.77 | 0.9269 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 471.094 | 0.7538 | 328.91 | 0.8650 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 505.267 | 0.8084 | 294.73 | 0.7933 |
| 800.0 | 90.0° | 541.919 | 0.8671 | 258.08 | 0.7083 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 189.704 | 0.4553 | 610.30 | 1.2553 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 203.465 | 0.4883 | 596.53 | 1.2316 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 218.224 | 0.5237 | 581.78 | 1.2057 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 234.053 | 0.5617 | 565.95 | 1.1772 |

Table 10: Table of Kinematics (Continued)

| E_{beam} (MeV) | θ | P_{ref} (MeV/c) | Q^2 (GeV ²) | ω (MeV) | W (GeV/c ²) |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 251.031 | 0.6025 | 548.97 | 1.1459 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 269.241 | 0.6462 | 530.76 | 1.1114 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 288.771 | 0.6931 | 511.23 | 1.0732 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 309.718 | 0.7433 | 490.28 | 1.0305 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 332.185 | 0.7972 | 467.81 | 0.9828 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 356.281 | 0.8551 | 443.72 | 0.9288 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 382.126 | 0.9171 | 417.87 | 0.8672 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 409.845 | 0.9836 | 390.15 | 0.7959 |
| 800.0 | 120.0° | 439.574 | 1.0550 | 360.43 | 0.7115 |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 373.450 | 0.3361 | 526.55 | 1.2399 |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 400.539 | 0.3605 | 499.46 | 1.2092 |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 429.594 | 0.3866 | 470.41 | 1.1753 |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 460.756 | 0.4147 | 439.24 | 1.1378 |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 494.179 | 0.4448 | 405.82 | 1.0963 |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 530.026 | 0.4770 | 369.97 | 1.0498 |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 568.474 | 0.5116 | 331.53 | 0.9976 |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 609.710 | 0.5487 | 290.29 | 0.9384 |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 653.938 | 0.5885 | 246.06 | 0.8704 |
| 900.0 | 60.0° | 701.374 | 0.6312 | 198.63 | 0.7911 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 272.028 | 0.4897 | 627.97 | 1.2548 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 291.760 | 0.5252 | 608.24 | 1.2255 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 312.924 | 0.5633 | 587.08 | 1.1933 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 335.623 | 0.6041 | 564.38 | 1.1578 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 359.969 | 0.6479 | 540.03 | 1.1184 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 386.081 | 0.6949 | 513.92 | 1.0746 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 414.087 | 0.7454 | 485.91 | 1.0256 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 444.124 | 0.7994 | 455.88 | 0.9702 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 476.340 | 0.8574 | 423.66 | 0.9070 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 510.893 | 0.9196 | 389.11 | 0.8340 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 547.953 | 0.9863 | 352.05 | 0.7478 |
| 900.0 | 90.0° | 587.701 | 1.0579 | 312.30 | 0.6425 |
| 900.0 | 120.0° | 218.256 | 0.5893 | 681.74 | 1.2554 |

Table 11: Table of Kinematics (Continued)

| E_{beam} (MeV) | θ | P_{ref} (MeV/c) | Q^2 (GeV ²) | ω (MeV) | W (GeV/c ²) |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 900.0 | 120.0° | 234.088 | 0.6320 | 665.91 | 1.2262 |
| 900.0 | 120.0° | 251.069 | 0.6779 | 648.93 | 1.1940 |
| 900.0 | 120.0° | 269.281 | 0.7271 | 630.72 | 1.1586 |
| 900.0 | 120.0° | 288.815 | 0.7798 | 611.18 | 1.1193 |
| 900.0 | 120.0° | 309.765 | 0.8364 | 590.24 | 1.0756 |
| 1000.0 | 60.0° | 435.681 | 0.4357 | 564.32 | 1.2283 |
| 1000.0 | 60.0° | 467.284 | 0.4673 | 532.72 | 1.1907 |
| 1000.0 | 60.0° | 501.181 | 0.5012 | 498.82 | 1.1490 |
| 1000.0 | 60.0° | 537.536 | 0.5375 | 462.46 | 1.1025 |
| 1000.0 | 60.0° | 576.528 | 0.5765 | 423.47 | 1.0503 |
| 1000.0 | 60.0° | 618.349 | 0.6183 | 381.65 | 0.9913 |
| 1000.0 | 60.0° | 663.203 | 0.6632 | 336.80 | 0.9239 |
| 1000.0 | 60.0° | 711.311 | 0.7113 | 288.69 | 0.8456 |
| 1000.0 | 60.0° | 762.909 | 0.7629 | 237.09 | 0.7526 |
| 1000.0 | 90.0° | 312.908 | 0.6258 | 687.09 | 1.2448 |
| 1000.0 | 90.0° | 335.606 | 0.6712 | 664.39 | 1.2089 |
| 1000.0 | 90.0° | 359.951 | 0.7199 | 640.05 | 1.1692 |
| 1000.0 | 90.0° | 386.061 | 0.7721 | 613.94 | 1.1250 |
| 1000.0 | 90.0° | 414.066 | 0.8281 | 585.93 | 1.0757 |
| 1000.0 | 90.0° | 444.101 | 0.8882 | 555.90 | 1.0200 |
| 1100.0 | 60.0° | 469.374 | 0.5163 | 630.63 | 1.2461 |
| 1100.0 | 60.0° | 503.421 | 0.5538 | 596.58 | 1.2047 |
| 1100.0 | 60.0° | 539.939 | 0.5939 | 560.06 | 1.1587 |
| 1100.0 | 60.0° | 579.106 | 0.6370 | 520.89 | 1.1072 |
| 1100.0 | 60.0° | 621.113 | 0.6832 | 478.89 | 1.0491 |
| 1100.0 | 60.0° | 666.168 | 0.7328 | 433.83 | 0.9831 |
| 1100.0 | 60.0° | 714.491 | 0.7859 | 385.51 | 0.9069 |
| 1100.0 | 60.0° | 766.320 | 0.8430 | 333.68 | 0.8173 |
| 1100.0 | 60.0° | 821.908 | 0.9041 | 278.09 | 0.7087 |
| 1200.0 | 15.0° | 799.492 | 0.0654 | 400.51 | 1.2535 |
| 1200.0 | 15.0° | 857.487 | 0.0701 | 342.51 | 1.2072 |
| 1200.0 | 15.0° | 919.688 | 0.0752 | 280.31 | 1.1556 |

Table 12: Table of Kinematics (Continued)

| E_{beam} (MeV) | θ | P_{ref} (MeV/c) | Q^2 (GeV ²) | ω (MeV) | W (GeV/c ²) |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 1200.0 | 15.0° | 986.401 | 0.0807 | 213.60 | 1.0975 |
| 1200.0 | 15.0° | 1057.953 | 0.0865 | 142.05 | 1.0316 |
| 1200.0 | 15.0° | 1134.696 | 0.0928 | 65.30 | 0.9558 |
| 1200.0 | 60.0° | 538.099 | 0.6457 | 661.90 | 1.2175 |
| 1200.0 | 60.0° | 577.132 | 0.6926 | 622.87 | 1.1671 |
| 1200.0 | 60.0° | 618.997 | 0.7428 | 581.00 | 1.1104 |
| 1200.0 | 60.0° | 663.898 | 0.7967 | 536.10 | 1.0463 |
| 1200.0 | 60.0° | 712.057 | 0.8545 | 487.94 | 0.9729 |
| 1200.0 | 60.0° | 763.708 | 0.9164 | 436.29 | 0.8873 |
| 1200.0 | 60.0° | 819.107 | 0.9829 | 380.89 | 0.7853 |
| 1200.0 | 60.0° | 878.524 | 1.0542 | 321.48 | 0.6586 |
| 1600.0 | 15.0° | 1217.595 | 0.1328 | 382.40 | 1.2123 |
| 1600.0 | 15.0° | 1305.918 | 0.1424 | 294.08 | 1.1376 |
| 1600.0 | 15.0° | 1400.648 | 0.1527 | 199.35 | 1.0515 |
| 1600.0 | 15.0° | 1502.249 | 0.1638 | 97.75 | 0.9506 |
| 2000.0 | 15.0° | 1620.957 | 0.2209 | 379.04 | 1.1727 |
| 2000.0 | 15.0° | 1738.539 | 0.2370 | 261.46 | 1.0669 |
| 2000.0 | 15.0° | 1864.651 | 0.2541 | 135.35 | 0.9402 |
| 2400.0 | 15.0° | 1931.610 | 0.3159 | 468.39 | 1.2034 |
| 2400.0 | 15.0° | 2071.727 | 0.3388 | 328.27 | 1.0779 |
| 2400.0 | 15.0° | 2222.008 | 0.3634 | 177.99 | 0.9246 |
| 2800.0 | 15.0° | 2237.969 | 0.4270 | 562.03 | 1.2301 |
| 2800.0 | 15.0° | 2400.309 | 0.4580 | 399.69 | 1.0849 |
| 2800.0 | 15.0° | 2574.425 | 0.4912 | 225.57 | 0.9036 |
| 3200.0 | 15.0° | 2540.122 | 0.5539 | 659.88 | 1.2531 |
| 3200.0 | 15.0° | 2724.380 | 0.5941 | 475.62 | 1.0880 |
| 3200.0 | 15.0° | 2922.003 | 0.6372 | 278.00 | 0.8769 |
| 3600.0 | 15.0° | 3044.032 | 0.7468 | 555.97 | 1.0872 |
| 3600.0 | 15.0° | 3264.843 | 0.8010 | 335.16 | 0.8442 |
| 4000.0 | 15.0° | 3603.040 | 0.9822 | 396.96 | 0.8048 |

Table 13: Table of Kinematics (Continued)

Kinematic Coverage at 15 degrees

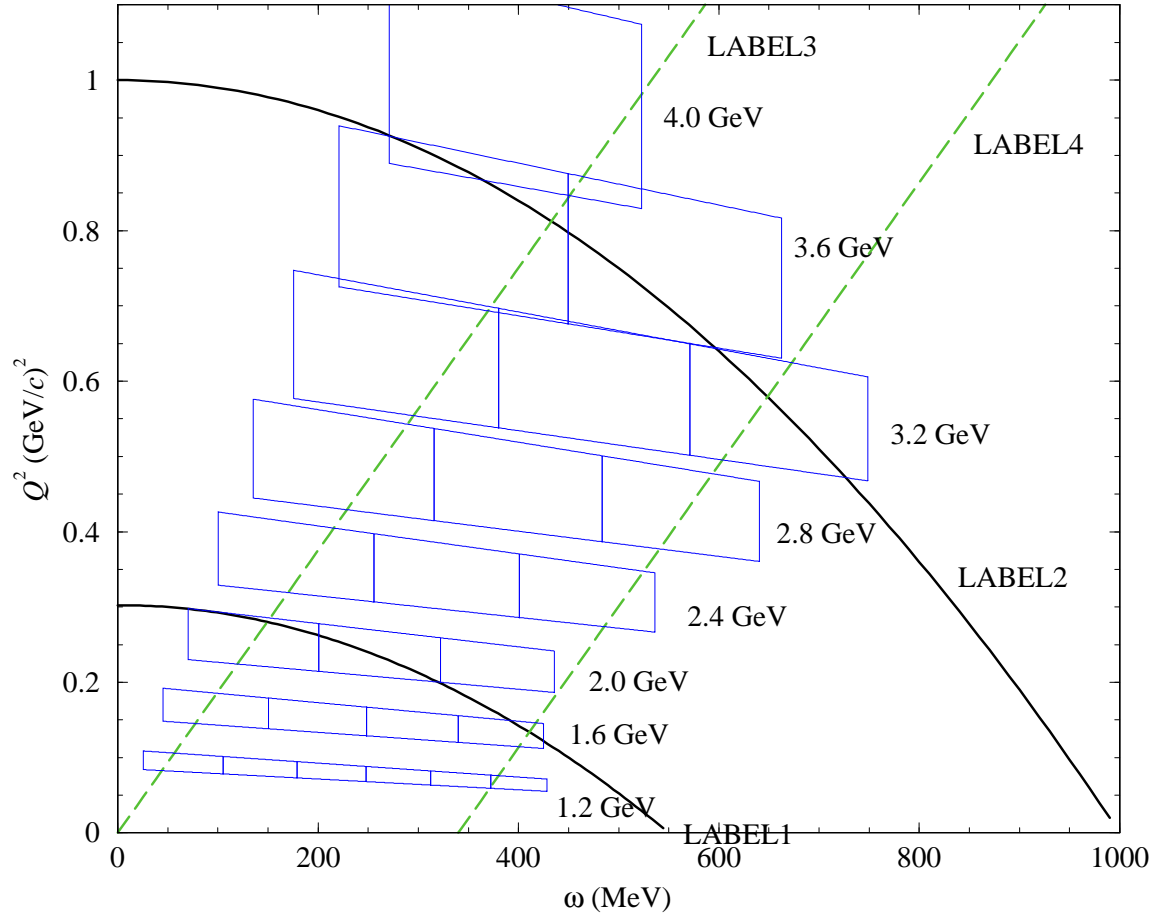


Figure 2: Kinematic coverage at 15°. The two solid lines correspond to $|\mathbf{q}| = 550$ MeV/c (lower one) and 1000 MeV/c (upper one). The two dashed lines correspond to $W = 940$ MeV/c² (left, quasi-elastic peak) and 1232 MeV/c² (right, Δ resonance). Each box represents the actual acceptance of the spectrometer at each individual momentum setting. Corresponding beam energies are also specified.

Kinematic Coverage at 60 degrees

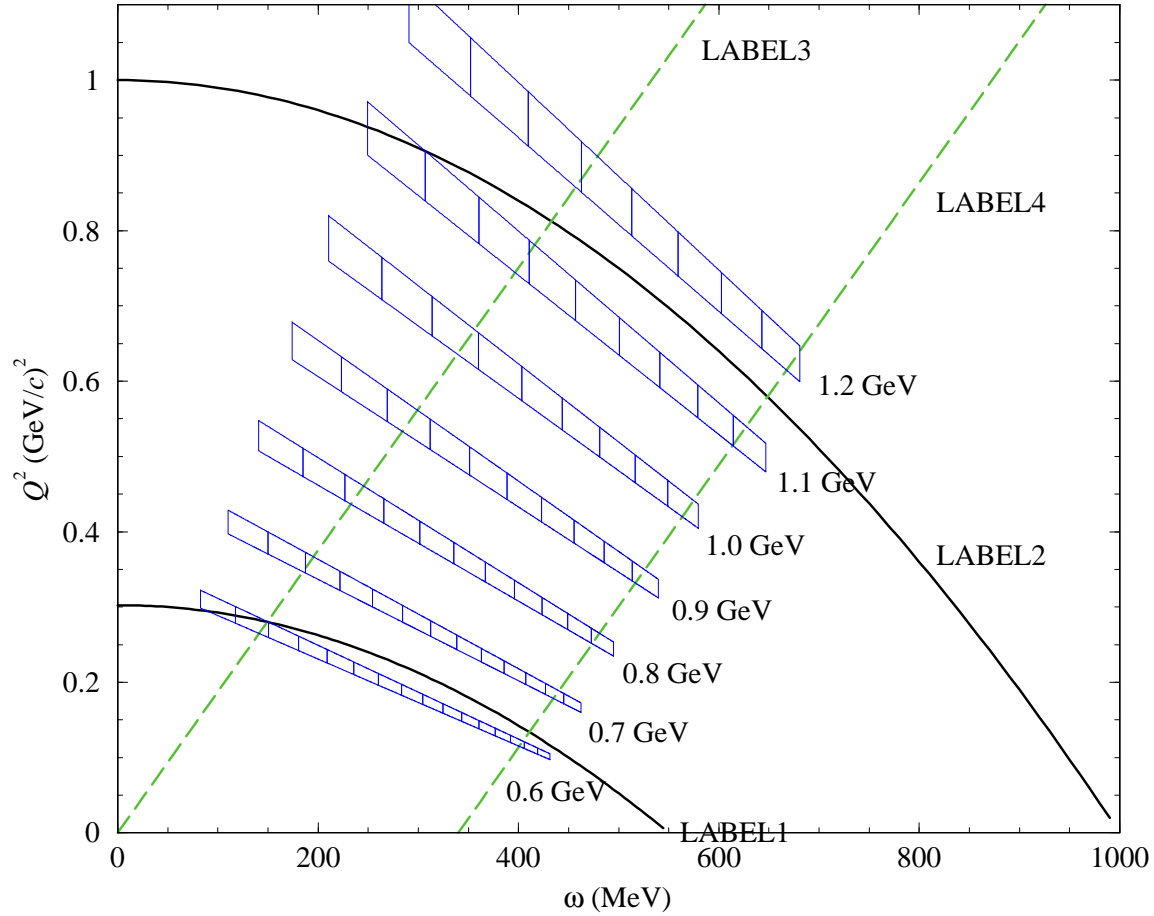


Figure 3: Kinematic coverage at 60°. The two solid lines correspond to $|\mathbf{q}| = 550$ MeV/c (lower one) and 1000 MeV/c (upper one). The two dashed lines correspond to $W = 940$ MeV/c² (left, quasi-elastic peak) and 1232 MeV/c² (right, Δ resonance). Each box represents the actual acceptance of the spectrometer at each individual momentum setting. Corresponding beam energies are also specified.

Kinematic Coverage at 90 degrees

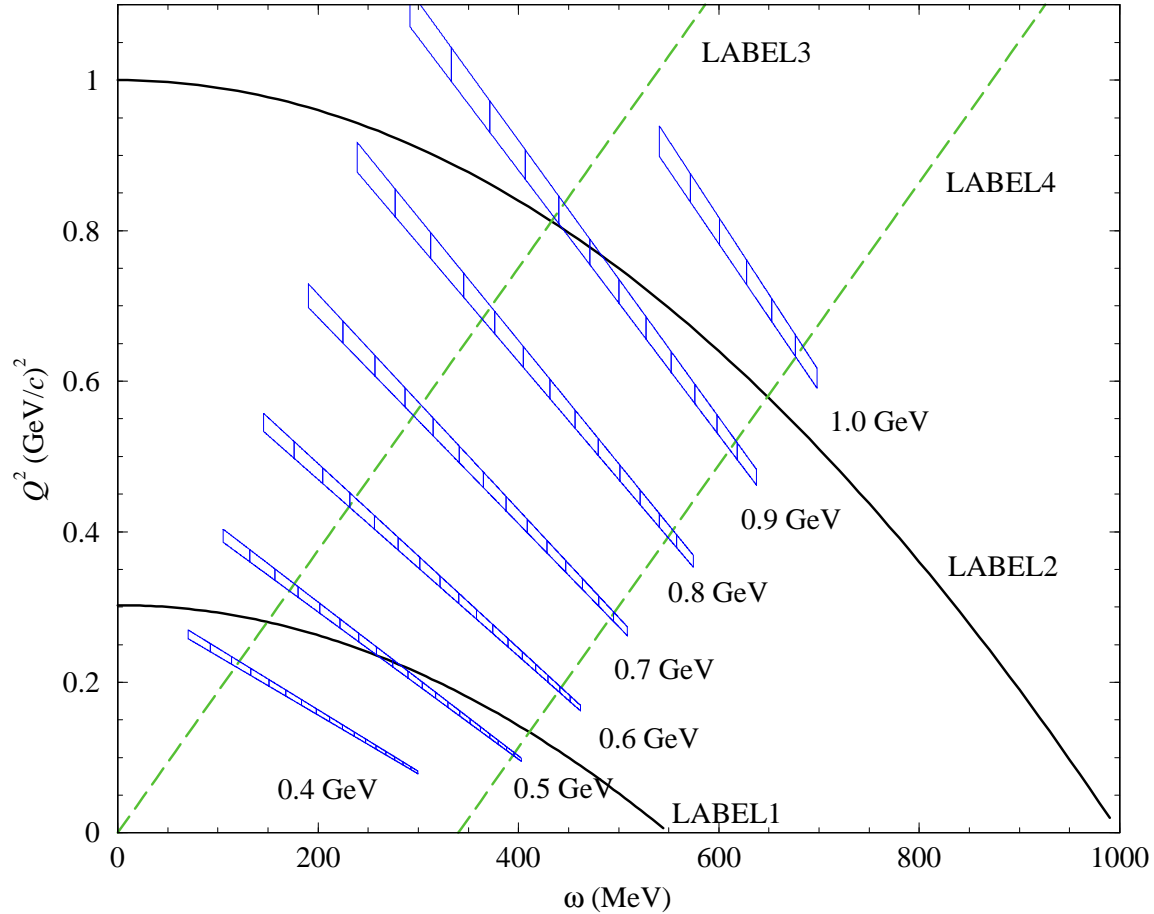


Figure 4: Kinematic coverage at 90°. The two solid lines correspond to $|\mathbf{q}| = 550$ MeV/c (lower one) and 1000 MeV/c (upper one). The two dashed lines correspond to $W = 940$ MeV/c² (left, quasi-elastic peak) and 1232 MeV/c² (right, Δ resonance). Each box represents the actual acceptance of the spectrometer at each individual momentum setting. Corresponding beam energies are also specified.

Kinematic Coverage at 120 degrees

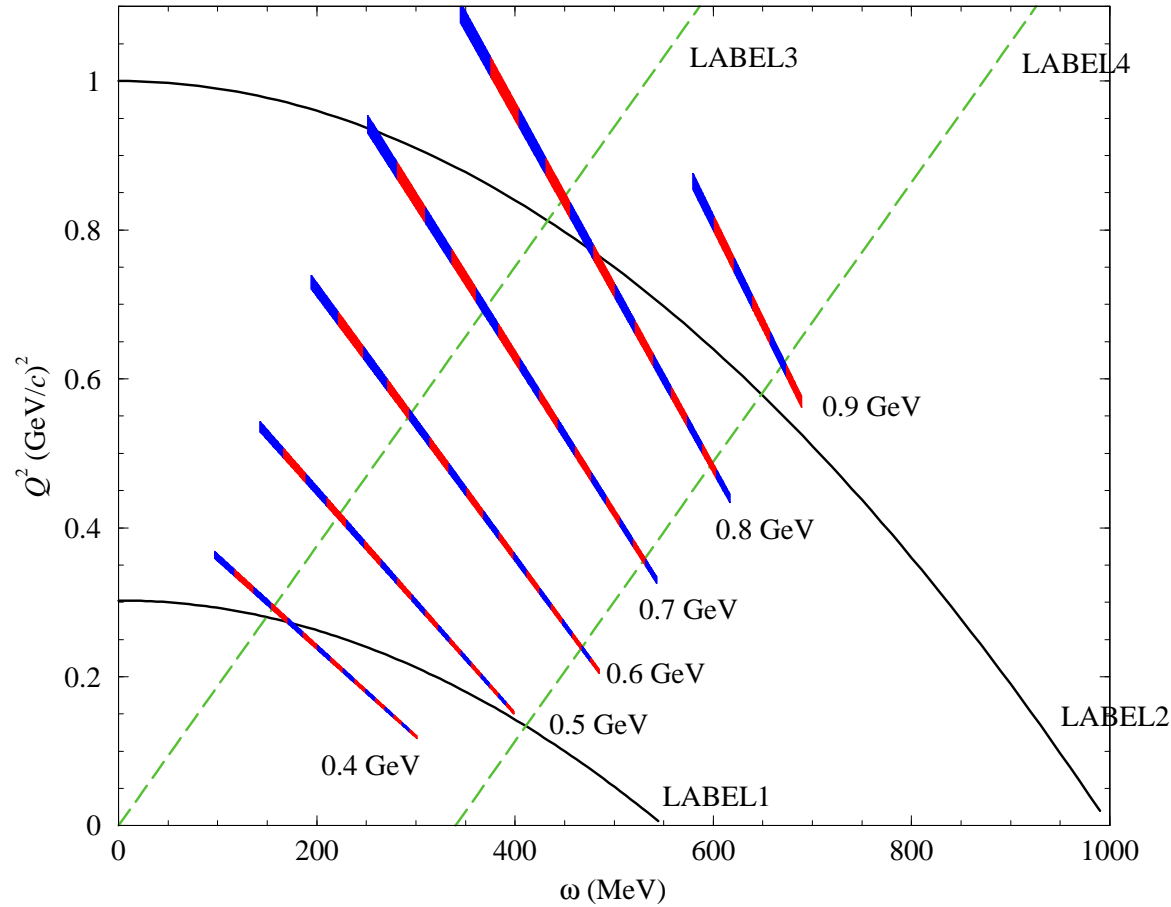


Figure 5: Kinematic coverage at 120°. The two solid lines correspond to $|\mathbf{q}| = 550$ MeV/c (lower one) and 1000 MeV/c (upper one). The two dashed lines correspond to $W = 940$ MeV/c² (left, quasi-elastic peak) and 1232 MeV/c² (right, Δ resonance). Each box represents the actual acceptance of the spectrometer at each individual momentum setting. Corresponding beam energies are also specified.

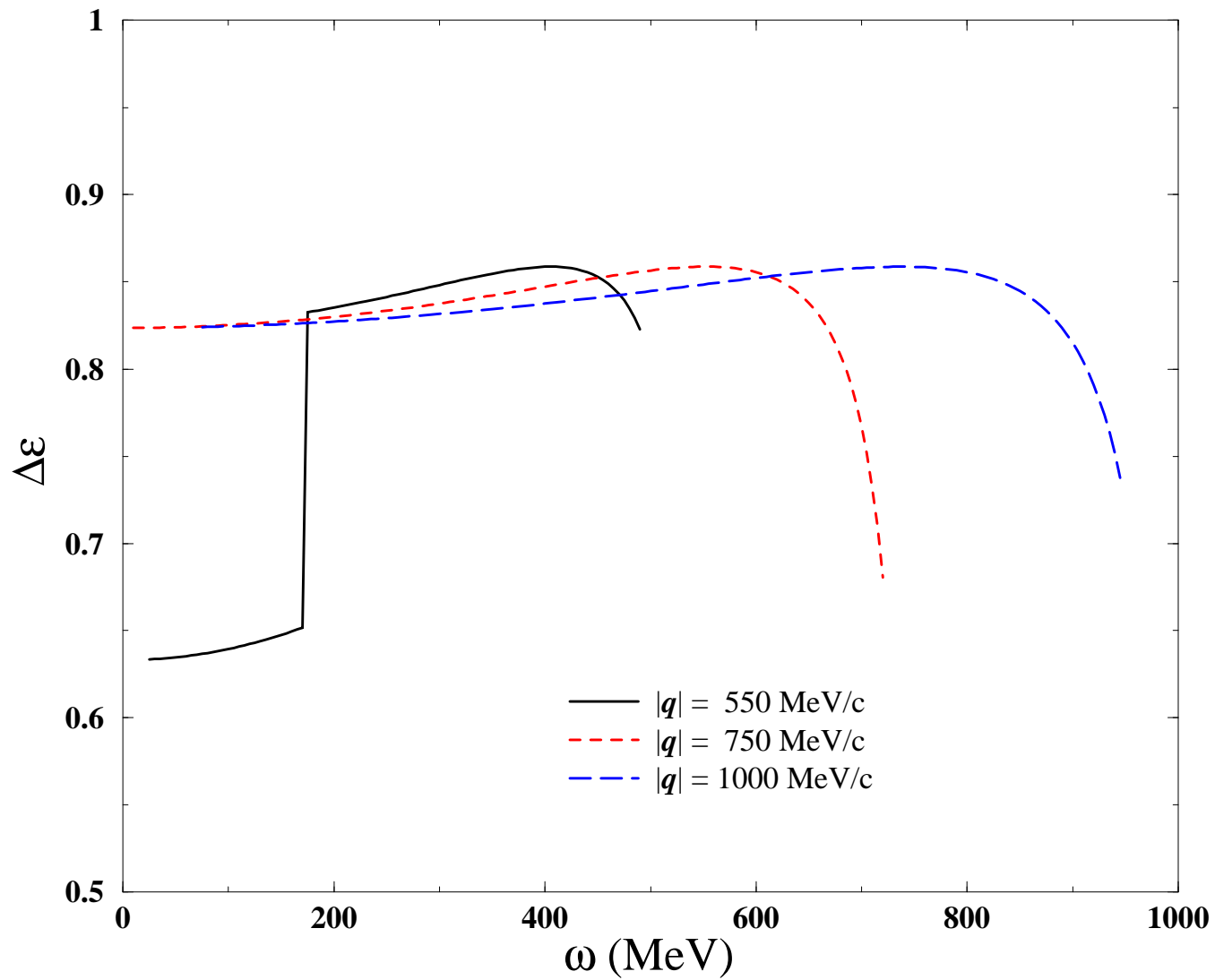


Figure 6: $\Delta\varepsilon$ achievable at Jefferson Lab for three values of $|q|$.

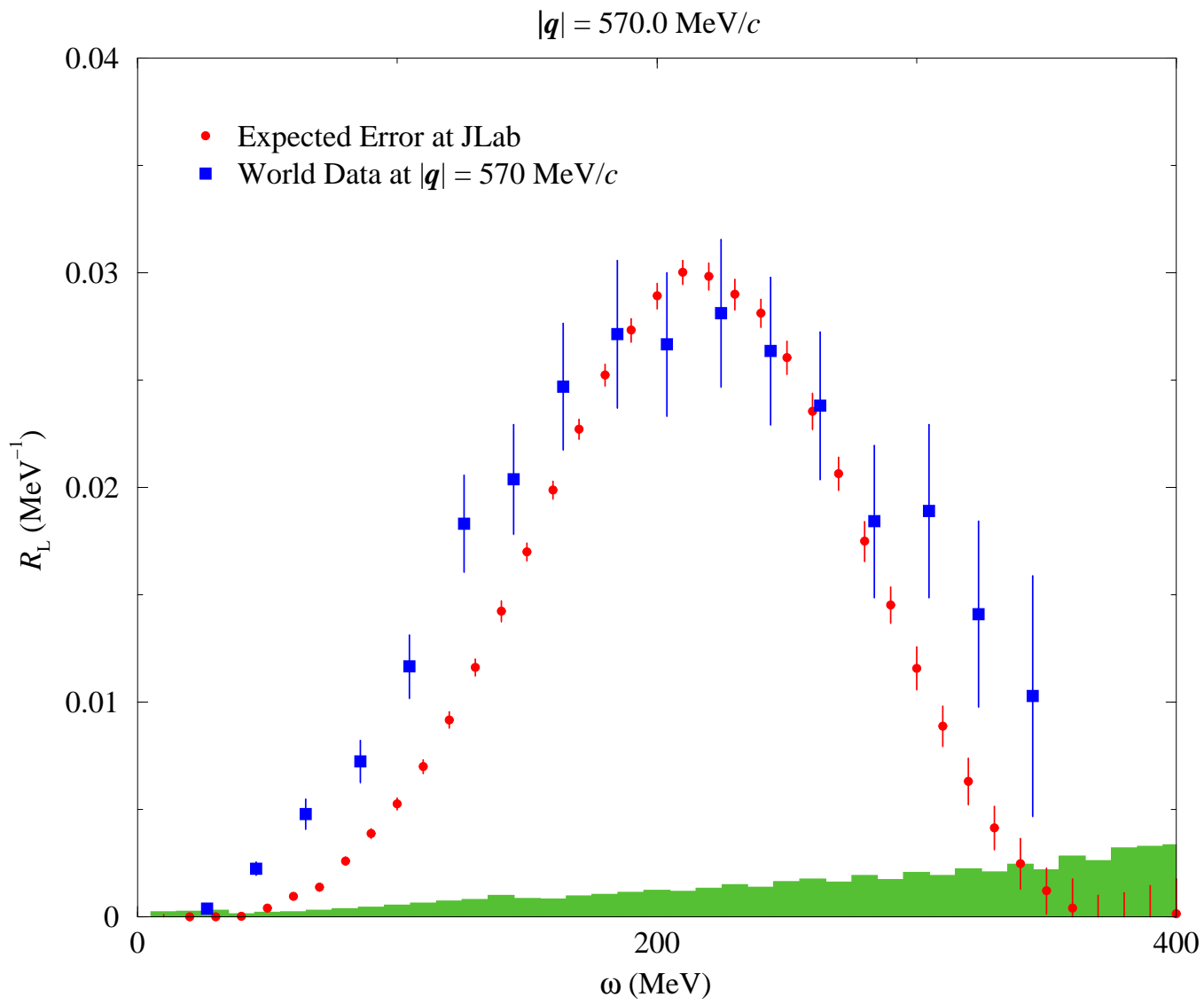


Figure 7: Comparison of expected statistical uncertainty on R_L from Jefferson Lab with the world data at $|\mathbf{q}| = 570 \text{ MeV}/c$. The error bars for the world data are statistical only. The band at the horizontal axis represents estimated systematic uncertainties.

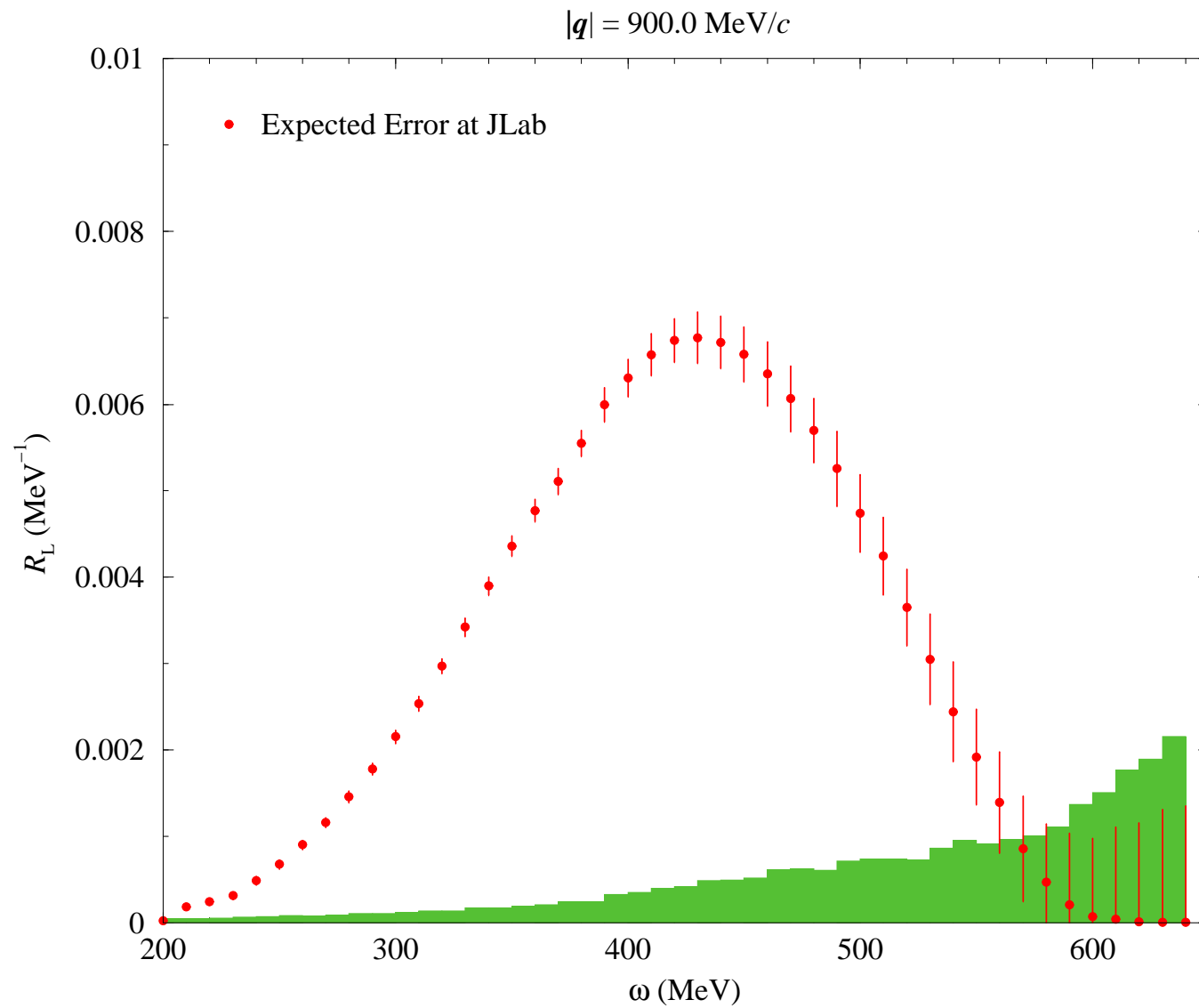


Figure 8: Expected statistical uncertainty on R_L from Jefferson Lab at $|\mathbf{q}| = 900 \text{ MeV}/c$. The band at the horizontal axis represents estimated systematic uncertainties.

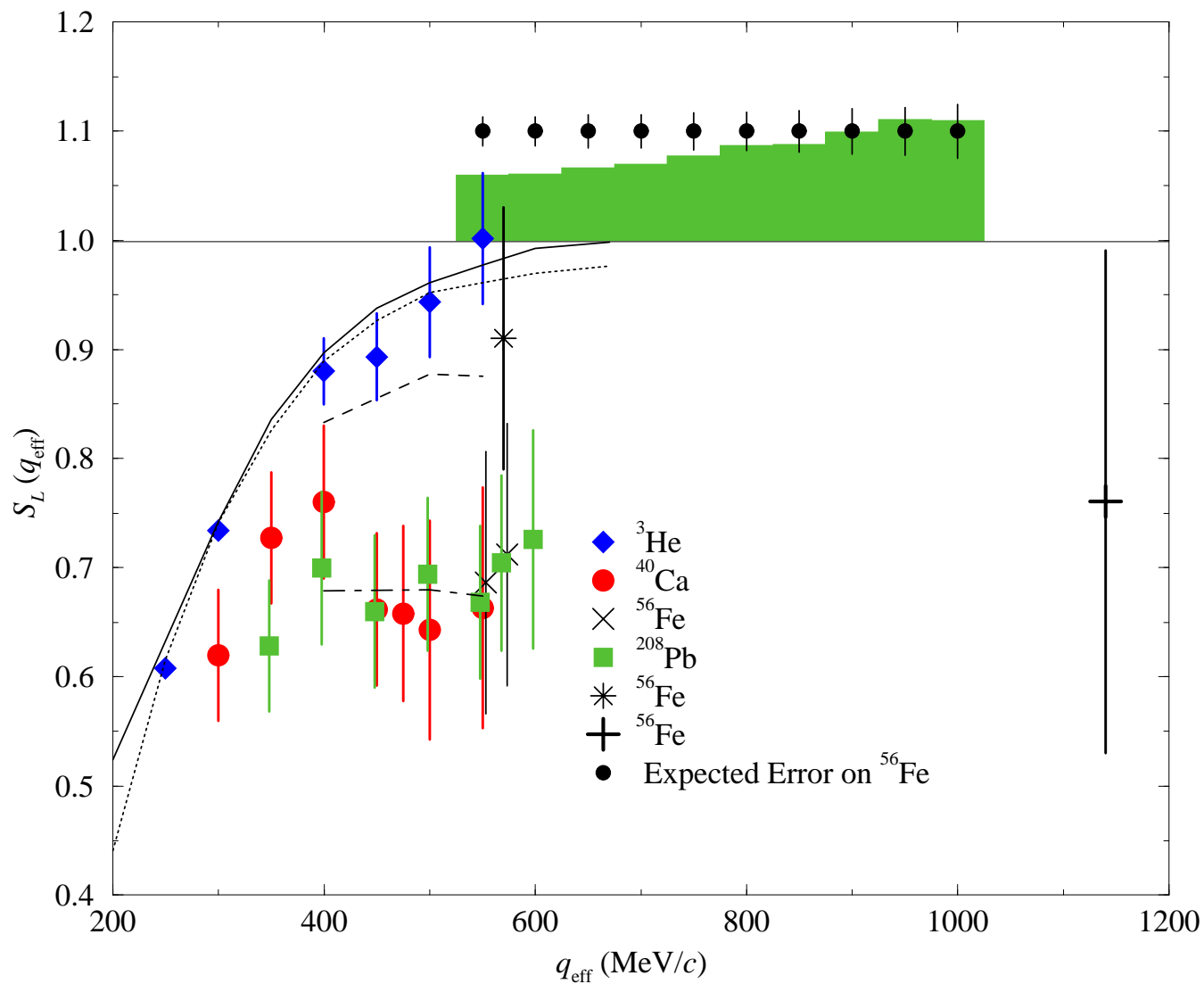


Figure 9: Comparison of expected statistical uncertainty on the Coulomb Sum from Jefferson Lab with the world data. Horizontal band represents estimated systematic uncertainties.