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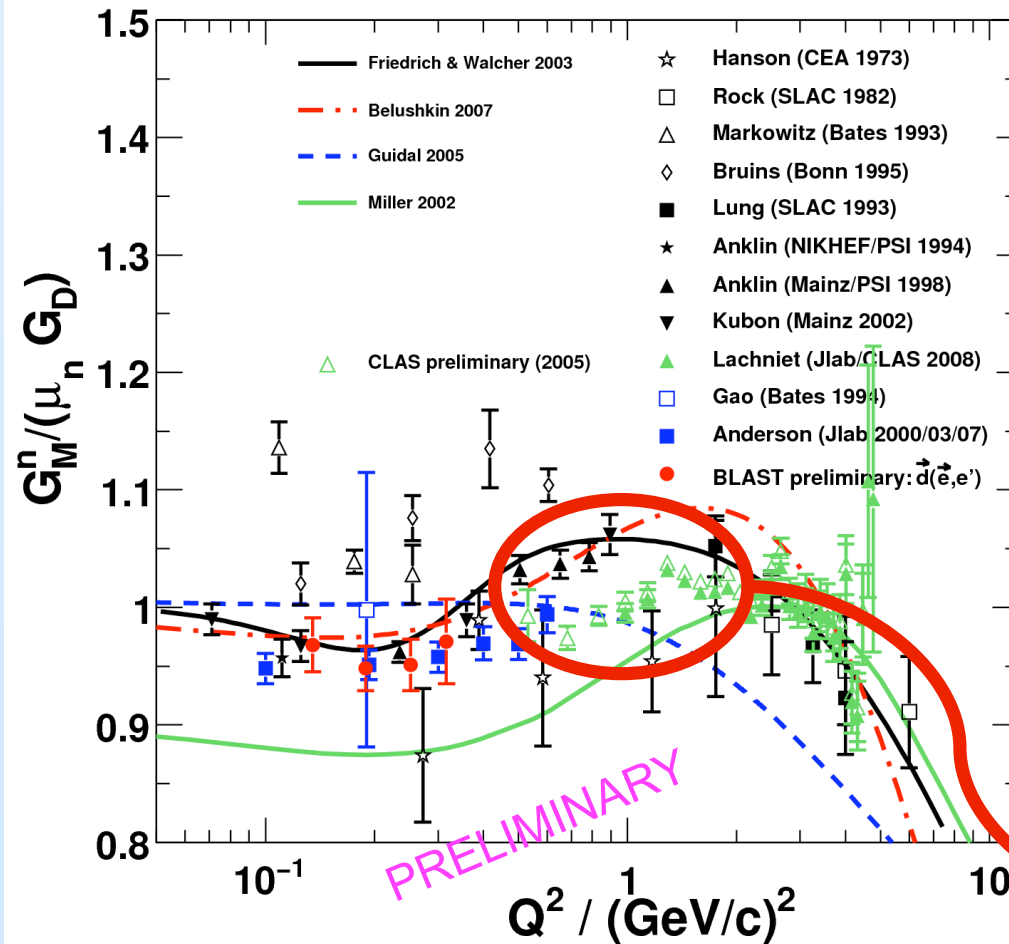
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**LOI-09-003:  
IncAs – Inclusive Asymmetries  
from Vector-Polarized Deuterium  
for a Precise Determination of  $G_M^n$   
at Intermediate Momentum Transfer**

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# Neutron Magnetic Form Factor $G_M^n$

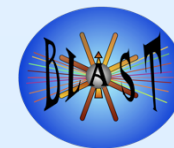


- Pre-polarization era
- $G_M^n$  world data from unpolarized experiments
- Cross section ratio  
quasielastic  $\frac{d(e, e'n)}{d(e, e'p)}$
- + CLAS preliminary (final)
- Polarization era
- $G_M^n$  world data +  $^3\text{He}$   
+ BLAST preliminary

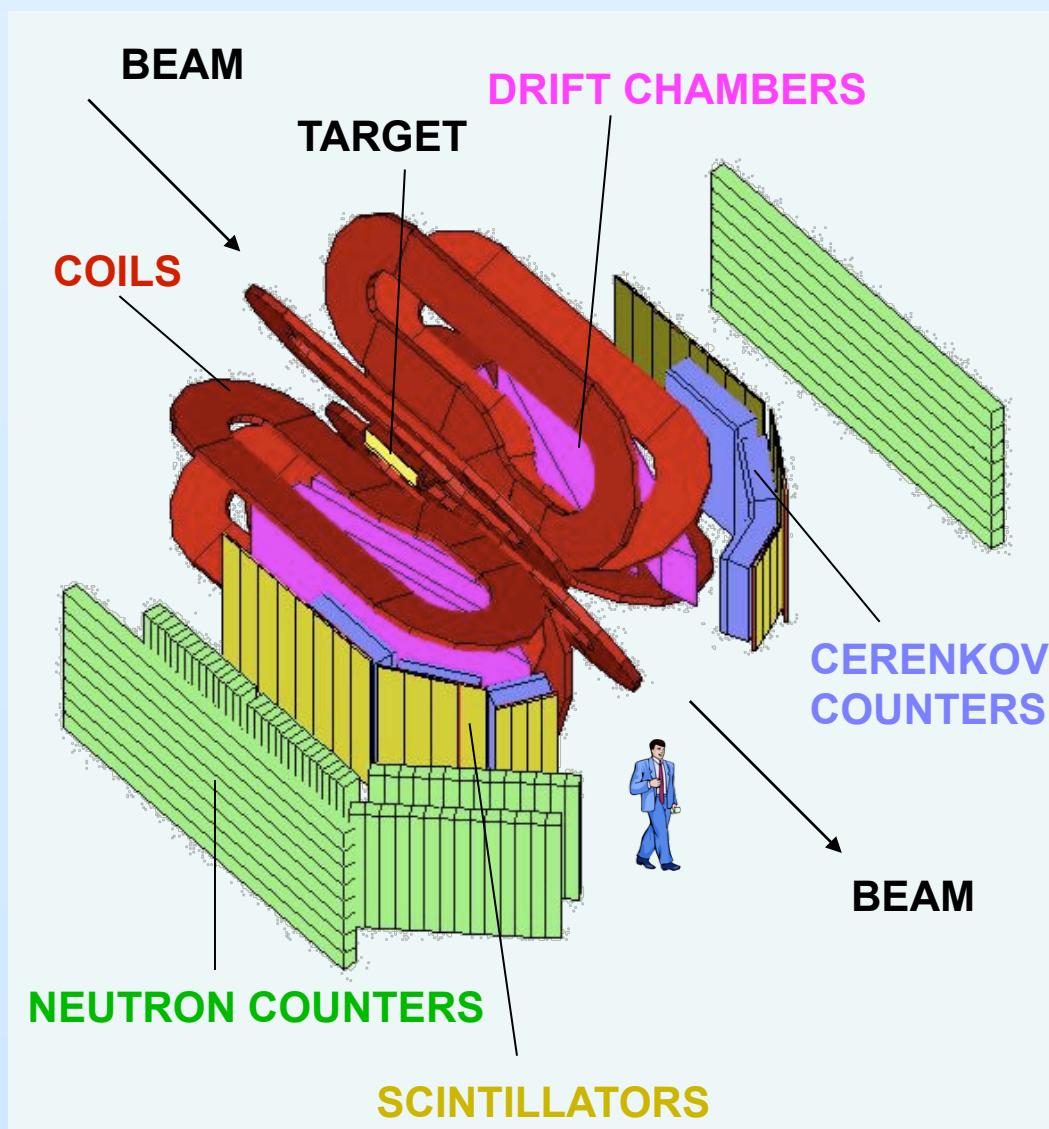
- No pol. data  $> 0.6$  (GeV/c)<sup>2</sup>
- Discrep./jump of several  $\sigma$  at  $Q^2 \sim 0.6-1.0$  (GeV/c)<sup>2</sup>
- Uncertainties ?

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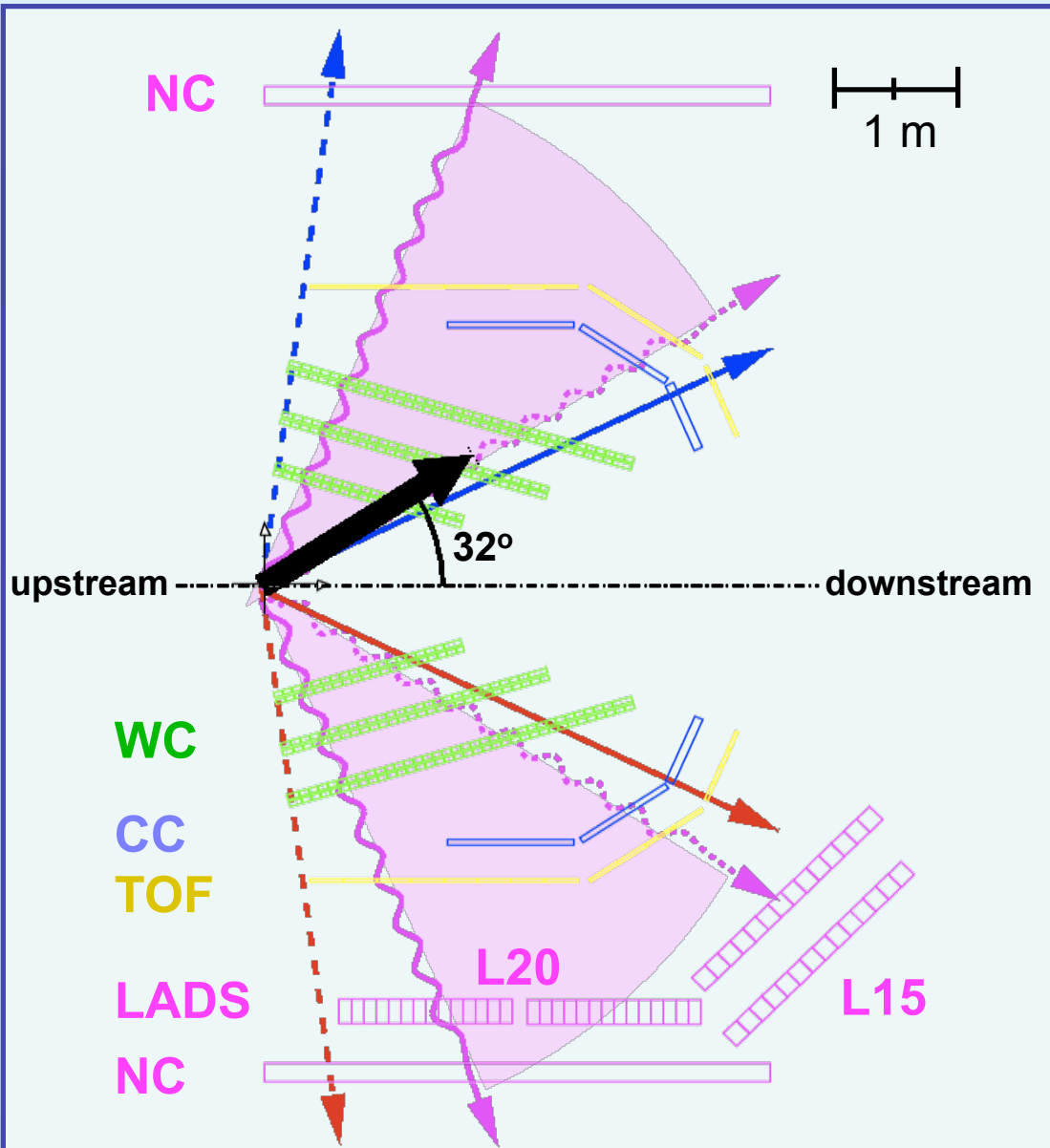
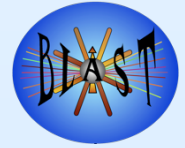
# The BLAST Detector



- **Left-right symmetric**
- **Large acceptance:**  
 $0.1 < Q^2 / (\text{GeV}/c)^2 < 0.8$   
 $20^\circ < \theta < 80^\circ, -15^\circ < \phi < 15^\circ$
- **COILS**  $B_{\text{max}} = 3.8 \text{ kG}$
- **DRIFT CHAMBERS**  
Tracking, PID (charge)  
 $\delta p/p = 3\%, \delta\theta = 0.5^\circ$
- **CERENKOV COUNTERS**  
 $e/\pi$  separation
- **SCINTILLATORS**  
Trigger, ToF, PID ( $\pi/p$ )
- **NEUTRON COUNTERS**  
Neutron tracking (ToF)



# Target Spin Orientation

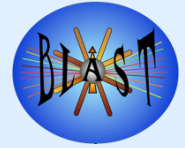


Freedom of in-plane spin angle  
 $32^\circ$  (2004) /  $47^\circ$  (2005)

**e- left**  $\rightarrow \theta^* \approx 90^\circ$   
“spin-perpendicular”

**e- right**  $\rightarrow \theta^* \approx 0^\circ$   
“spin-parallel”

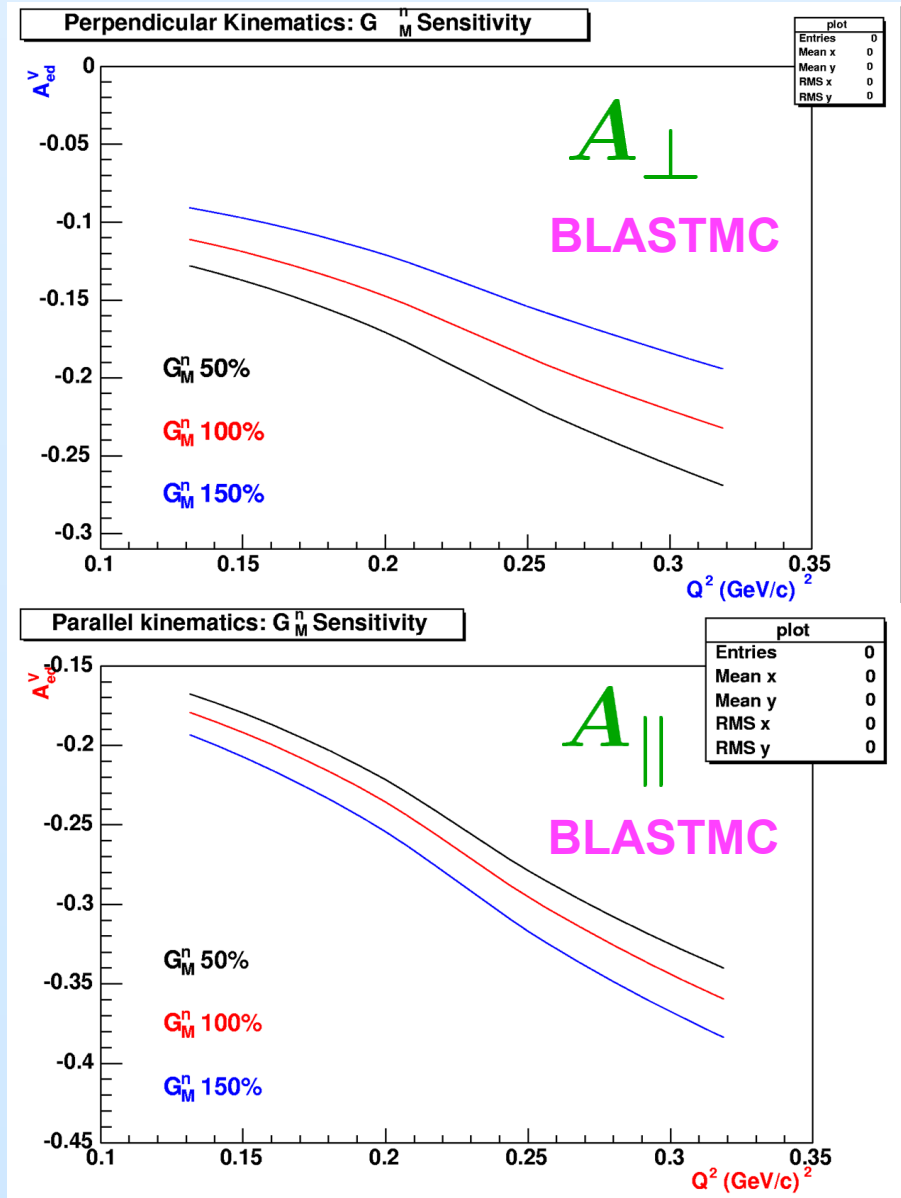
# Extraction of $G_M^n$



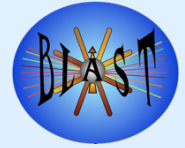
- Quasielastic  ${}^2\text{H}(\vec{e}, e')$  inclusive
- Full Montecarlo simulation of the BLAST experiment
- Deuteron electrodisintegration by H. Arenhövel
- Accounted for FSI, MEC, RC, IC
- Beam-target vector asymmetry  $A_{ed}^V$  spin-parallel + perpendicular show sensitivity to  $G_M^n$
- PWIA:

$$A_{\perp} \approx \frac{c (G_E^p / G_M^p)}{a + b \left( 1 + (G_M^n / G_M^p)^2 \right)}$$

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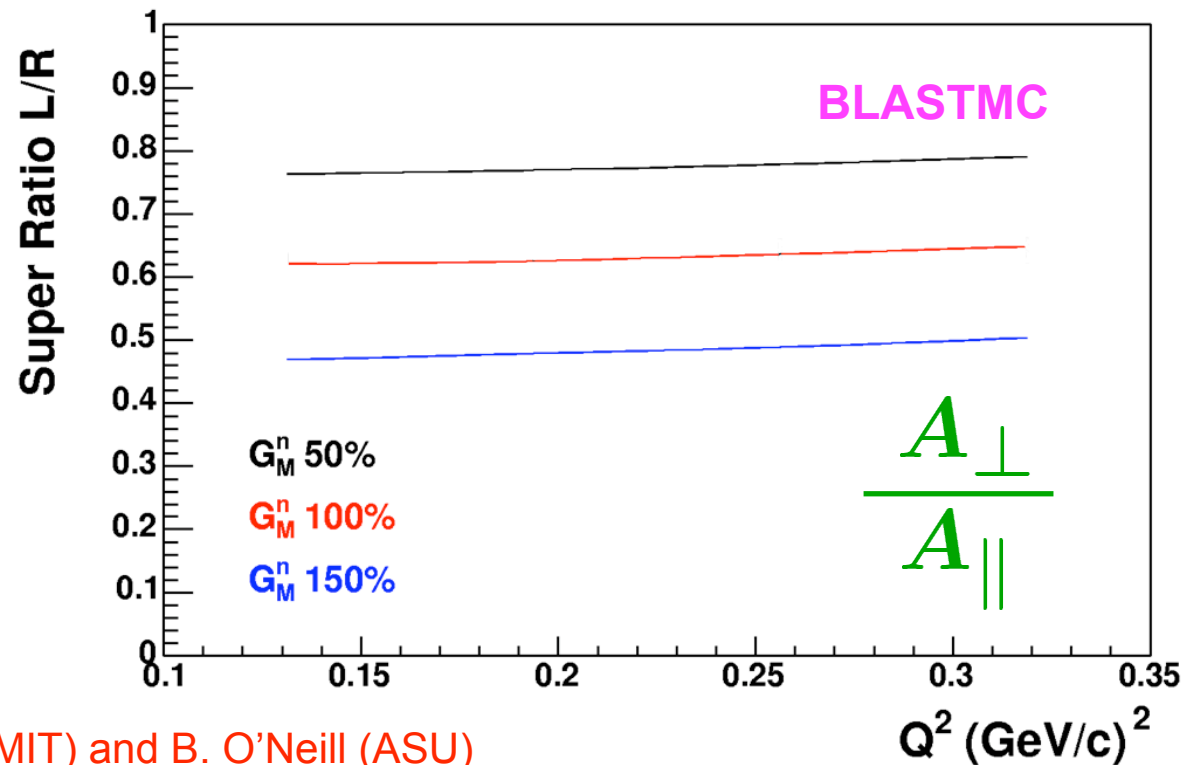
# Extraction of $G_M^n$ \*



$$\frac{A_{\perp}}{A_{\parallel}} \approx \frac{\kappa \frac{G_E^p}{G_M^p}}{1 + \left(\frac{G_M^n}{G_M^p}\right)^2}$$

Enhanced sensitivity in super ratio  
Independent of polarization

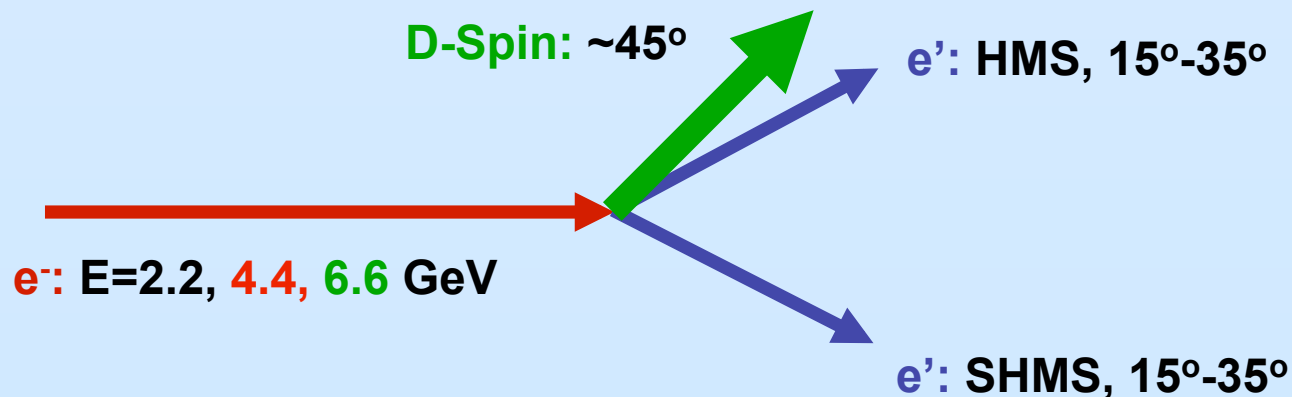
50% variation in  $G_M^n$   
 $\Leftrightarrow$   
20% variation in R



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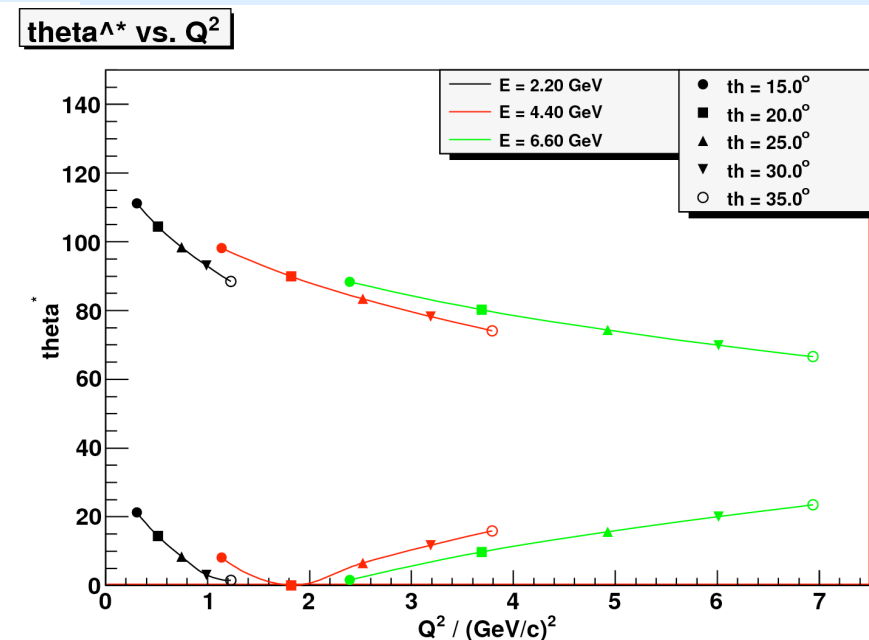
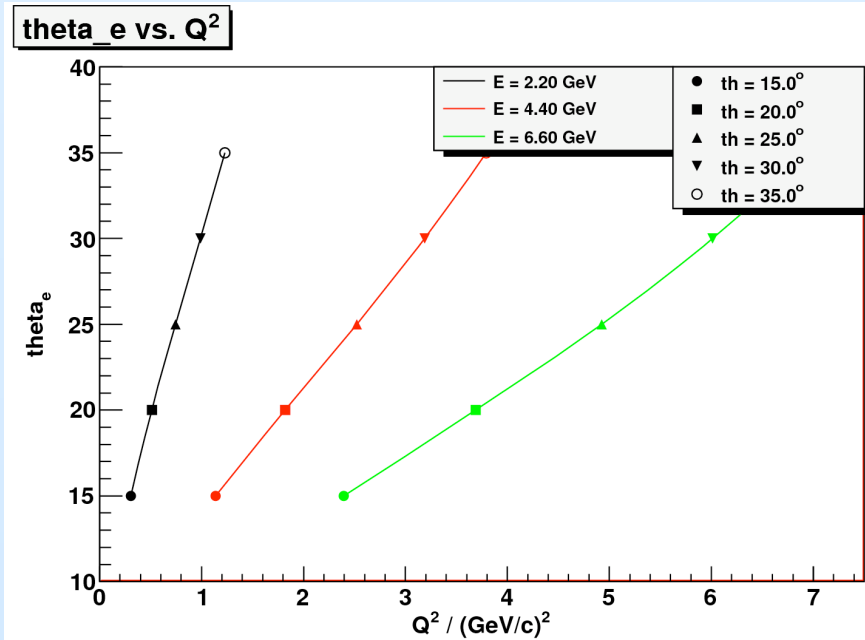
# How to reconcile $G_M^n$ around 1 (GeV/c)<sup>2</sup>

- **IncAs:** Simultaneous measurement of inclusive beam-vector asymmetries in equal, quasifree kinematics with 2 target spin orientations relative to momentum transfer
- Vector-polarized deuterium target (UVA),  $\theta_d \approx 45^\circ$  (left)  
 $P_b \cdot P_t = 0.8 \cdot 0.3 = 0.24$ ,  $F_{DF} = 0.8$ ,  $L = 3 \cdot 10^{35} / (\text{cm}^2\text{s})$
- HMS + SHMS / assuming solid angle 6 msr  
single-arm (e,e') left and right at symmetric angle



# IncAs: Kinematic Coverage

D-Spin:  $\theta_d = 45^\circ$

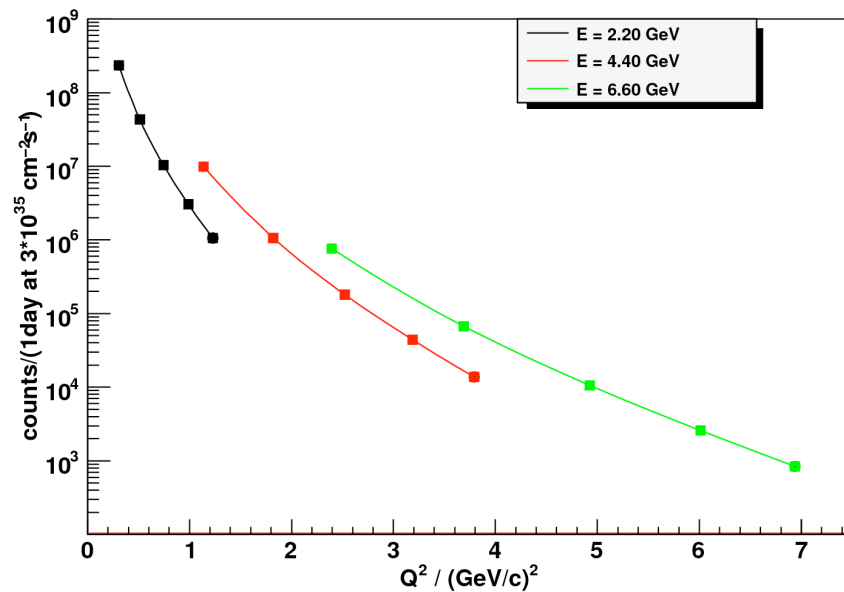


“Perpendicular” and “parallel” orientation well established at  $Q^2 \sim 1-2 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$

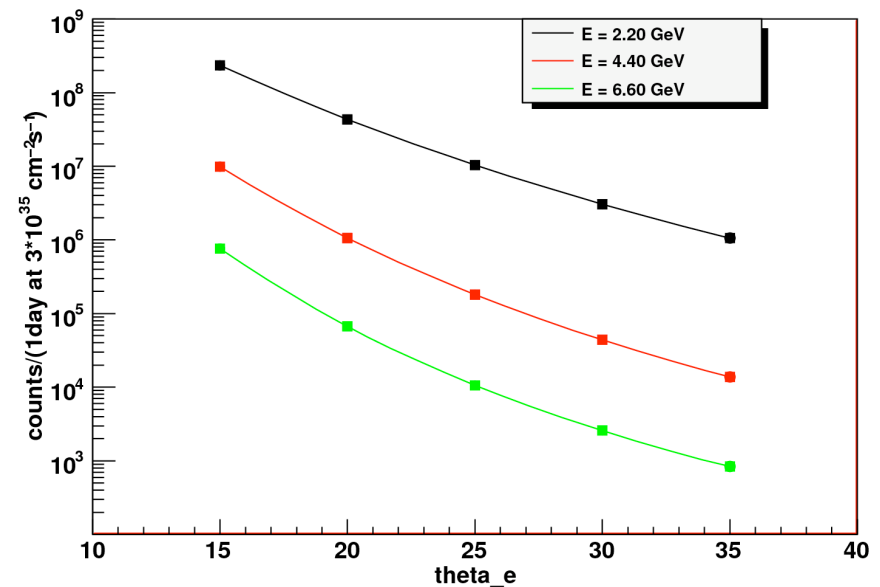


# IncAs: Count rates

Counts vs.  $Q^2$



Counts vs.  $\theta_e$



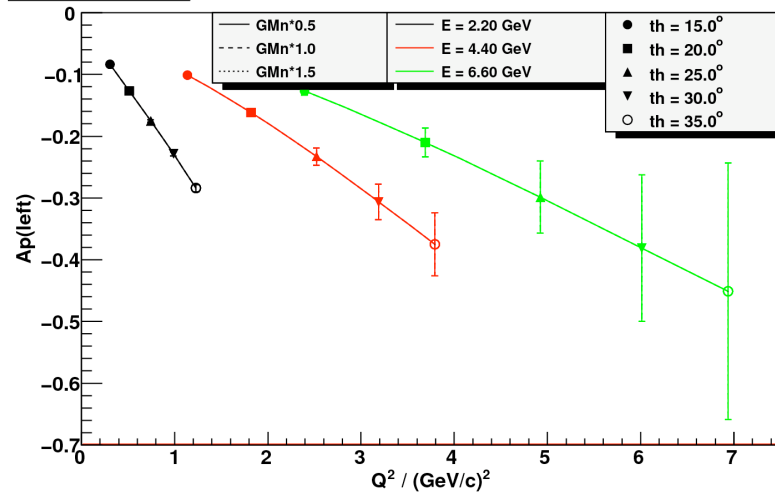
Counts per day assuming luminosity  $L=3 \times 10^{35} / (\text{cm}^2\text{s})$  and 6 msr solid angle

Cross section = elastic e-p + e-n

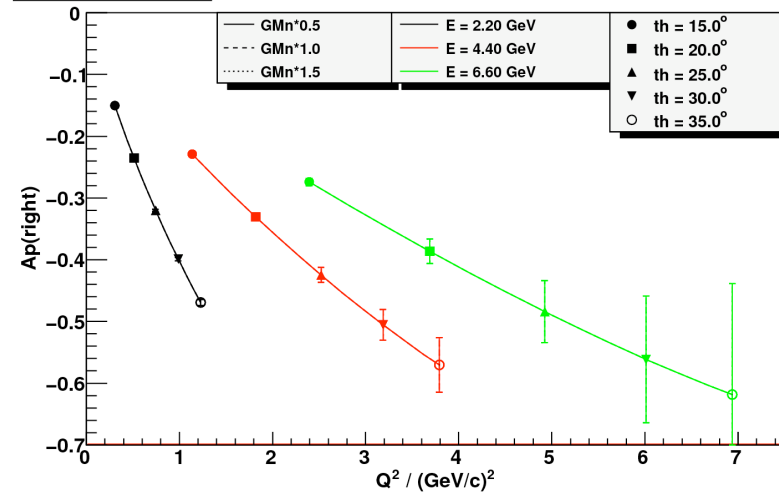
Each point representing one angle setting ( $15^\circ$ - $35^\circ$ )

# Asymmetries for free nucleons

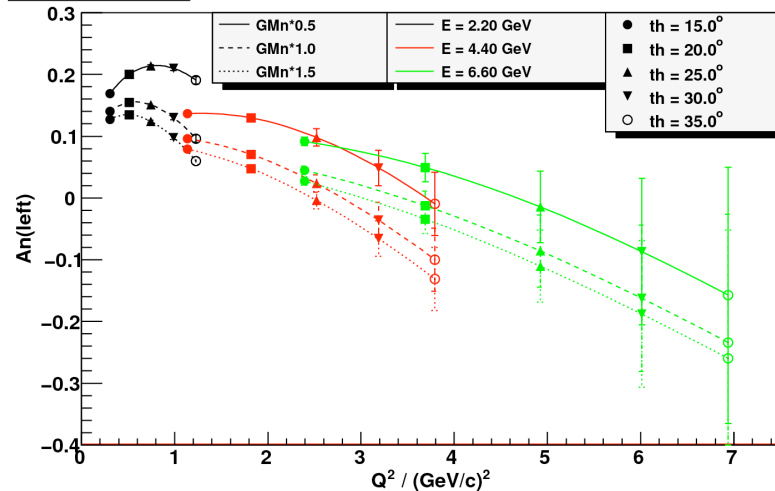
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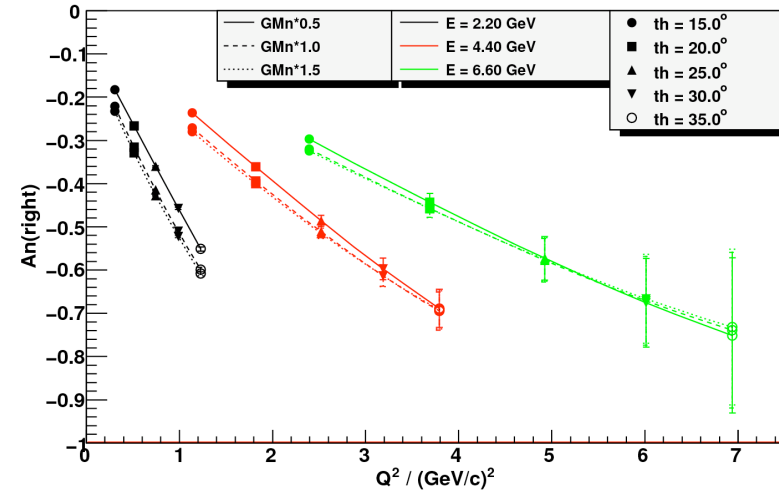
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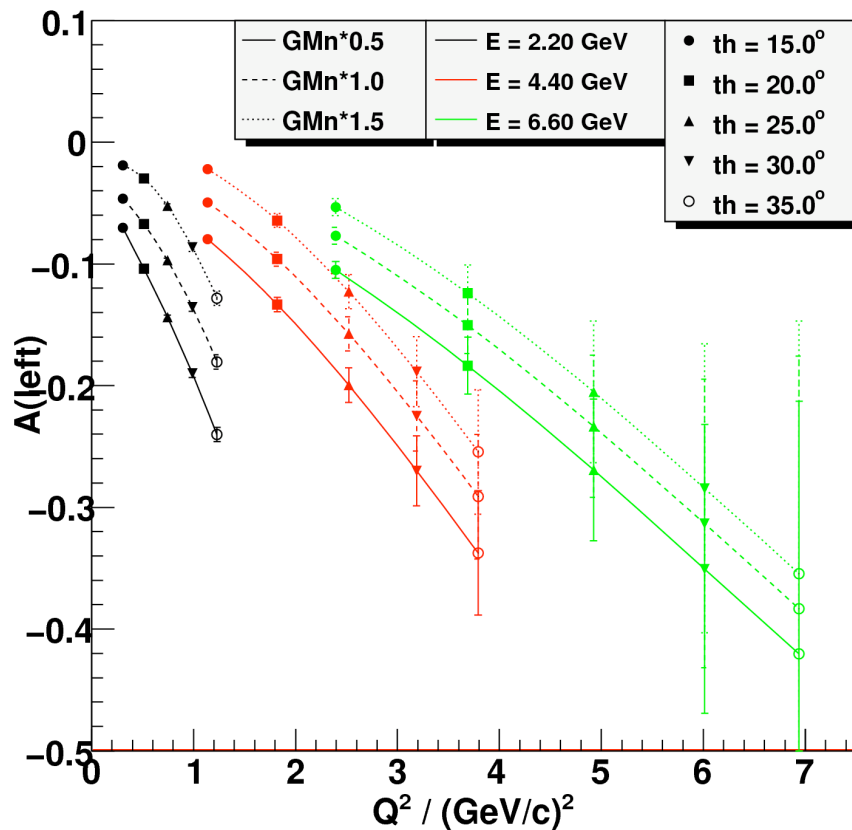
Error bars corresponding to 1 day / 6 msr /  $3 \cdot 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  /  $F_{DF}=0.8$  /  $P_b P_t=0.24$

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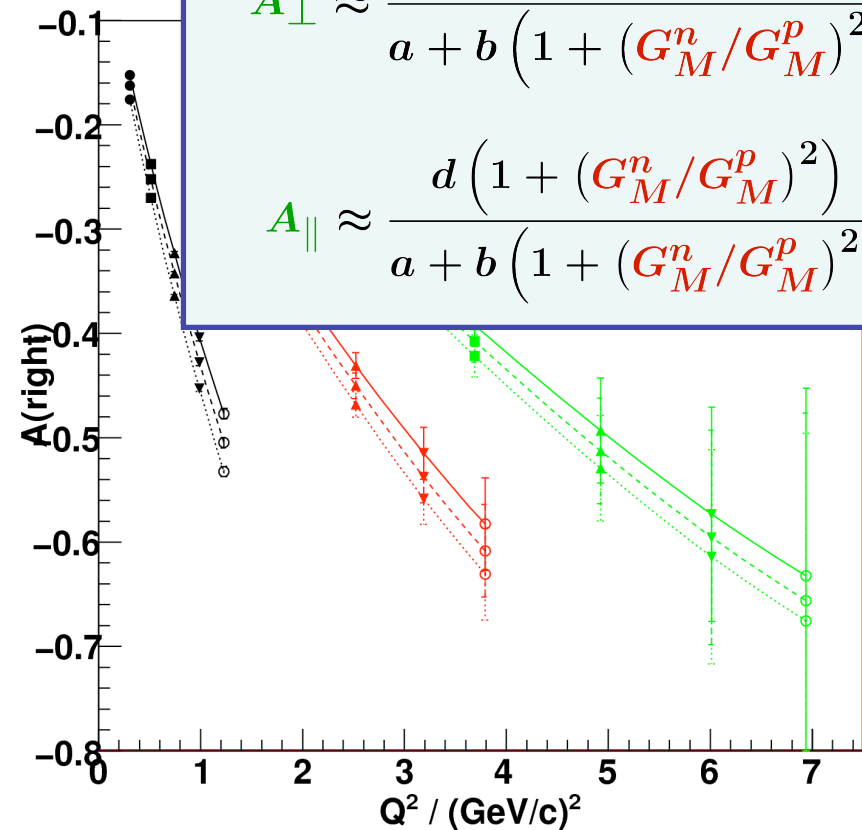
$$A = \frac{A_p \sigma_p + A_n \sigma_n}{\sigma_p + \sigma_n}$$

Effect of  $G_M^n$  opposite  
in left and right sectors

**A(left) vs.  $Q^2$**



**A(right)**



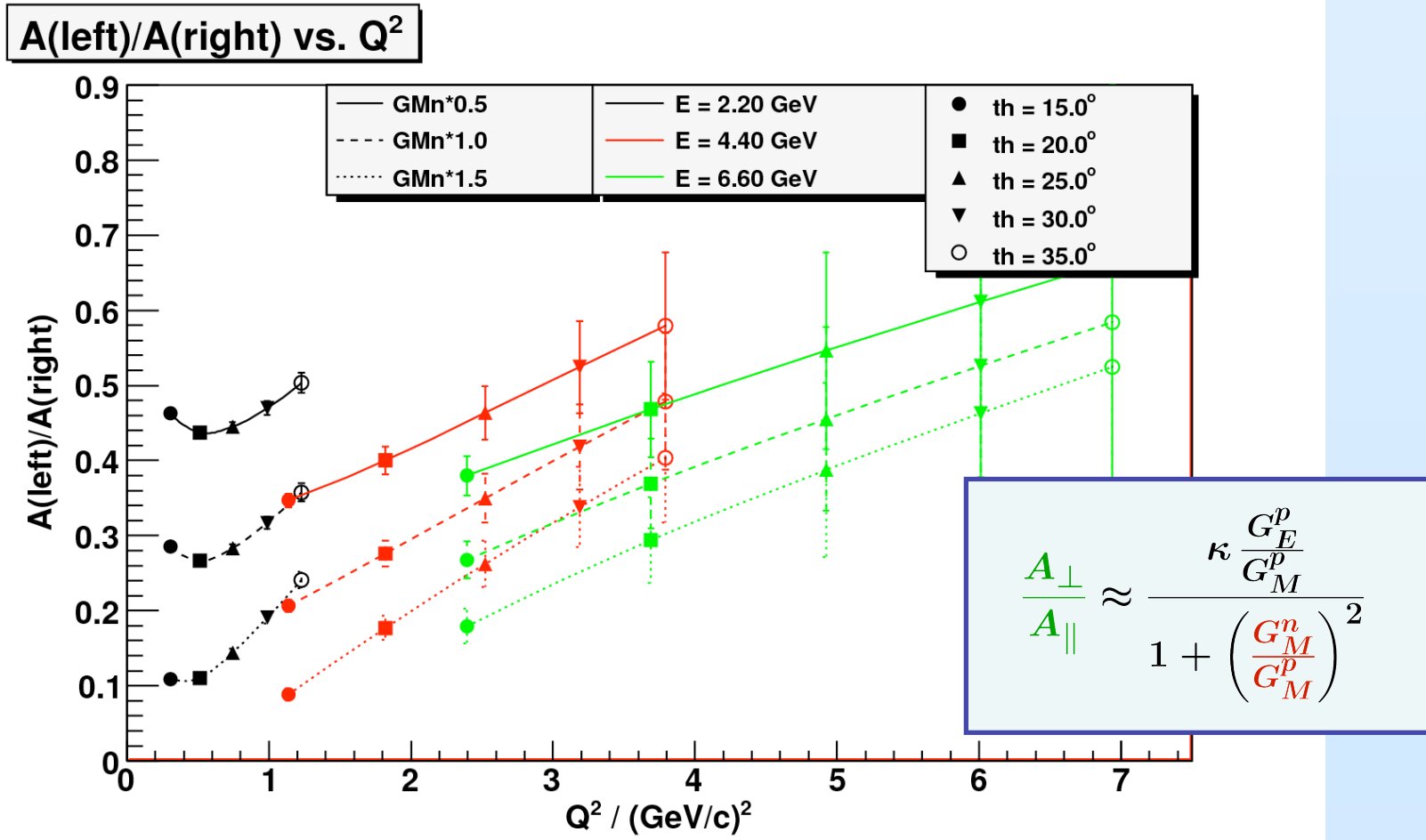
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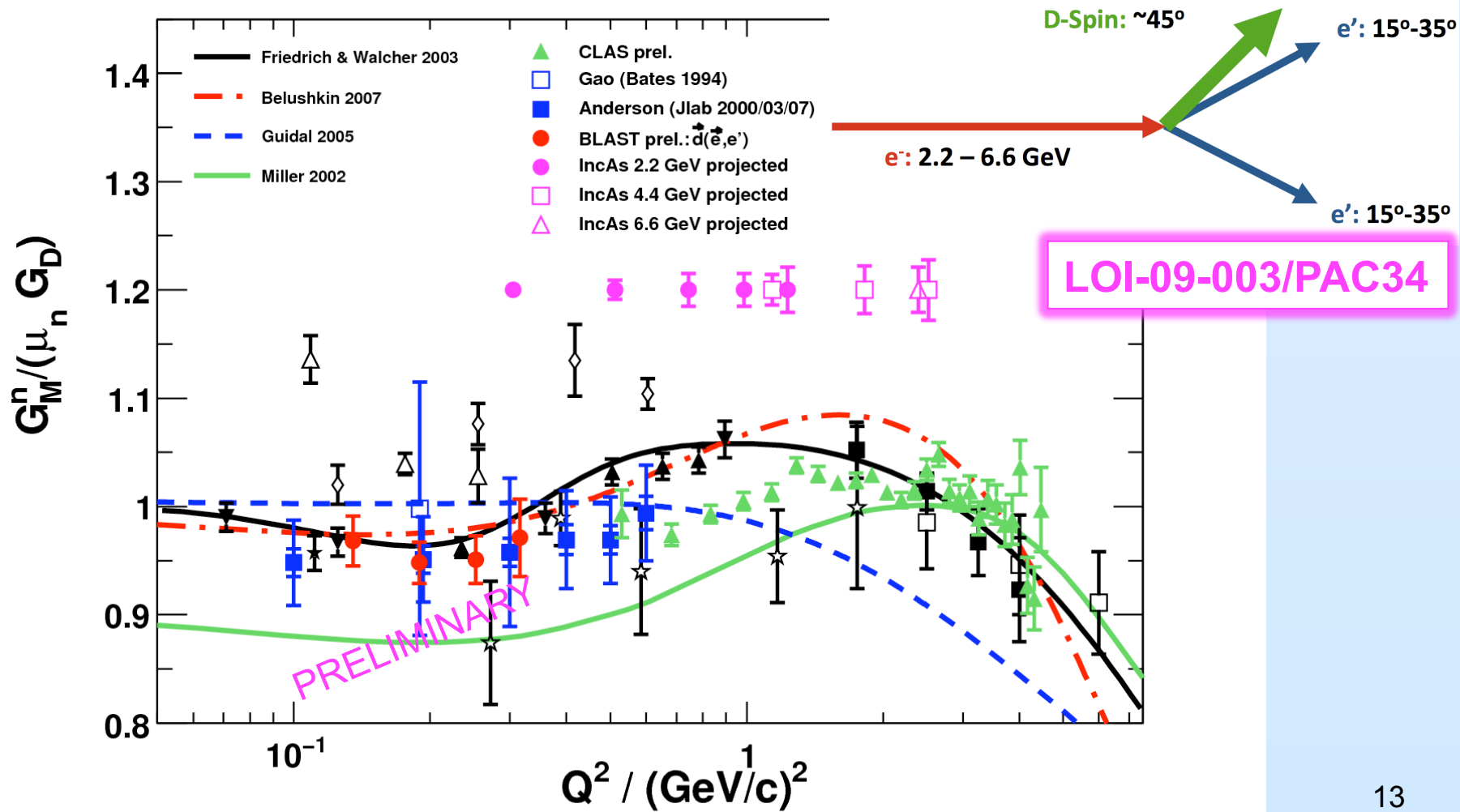
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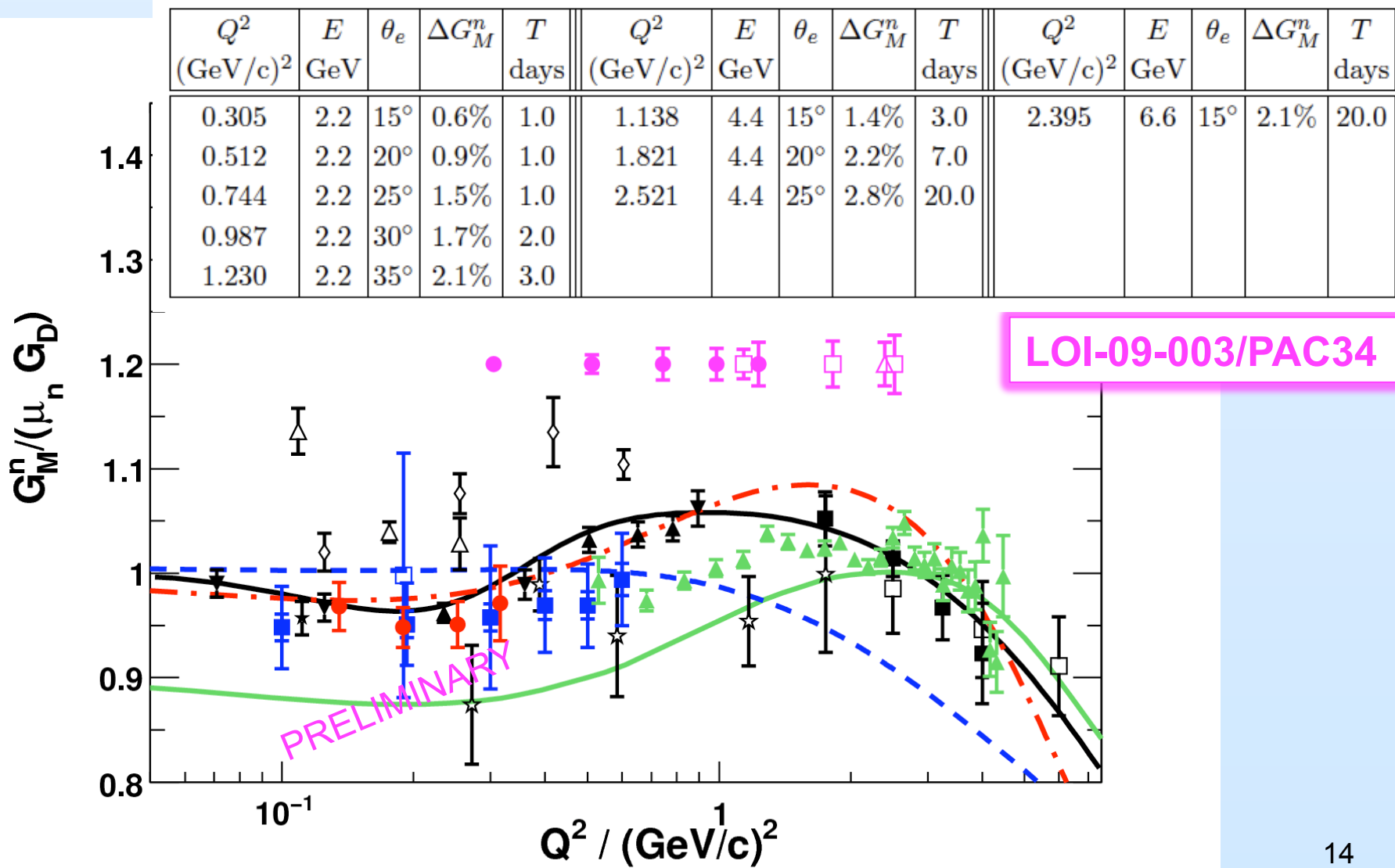


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- Theory report by J. Goity
- New method to resolve issue raised by x-sec ratio exps.
- Deuterium super-ratio method well established at BLAST
- Use of Deuterium having advantages over He-3
- Reduced systematic uncertainties
- Interesting to probe oscillation around dipole form factor
- Inclusive asymmetries providing optimal access to  $G_M^n$
- Excellent contribution to Jlab form factor program

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- **Systematic error on GMn due to uncertainties of GEp/GMp and GMp to be investigated**
- **Experimental checks of systematic errors at 2.2 GeV: spin angle mapping**
- **To verify clearance between beam, coils and spectrometers at all proposed angles**
- **HMS/SHMS (Hall C) or HRS<sup>2</sup> (Hall A), or HD-Ice (Hall B)**
- **2.2 GeV has higher FOM in Hall A, but possible in Hall C**
- **4.4+6.6 GeV only in Hall C**



# IncAs: Inclusive Asymmetries

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- Inclusive asymmetries powerful tool for high precision measurement of  $G_M^n$  to resolve current inconsistency
- Excellent control of systematic uncertainties through cancellations (efficiency, luminosity, polarization, ...)
- Super ratio method with enhanced sensitivity to  $G_M^n$ , no precise knowledge of polarization required
- For perp/par kinematics,  $dR/R \approx dG_M^n/G_M^n$
- **IncAs** is a polarization method superior to He-3 at intermediate  $Q^2$  to precisely relate form factors
- “Simple” measurement, only  $e, e'$  with standard equipment.