Recent and future measurements of the proton electric form factor

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Workshop on Nucleon Form Factors

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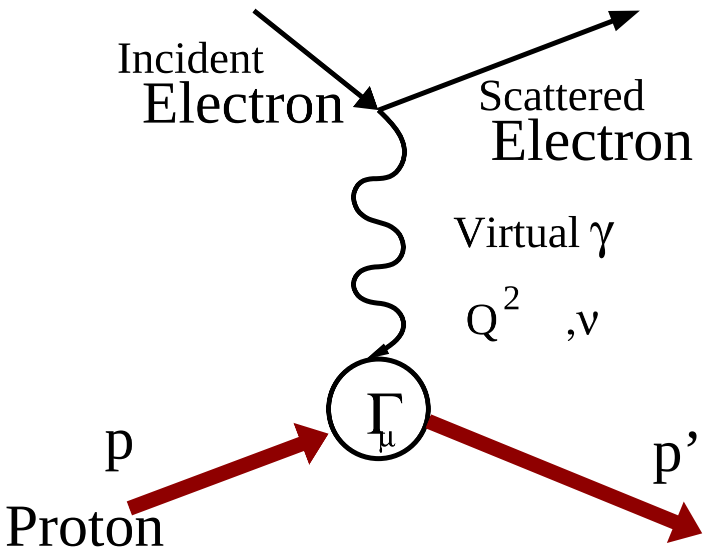

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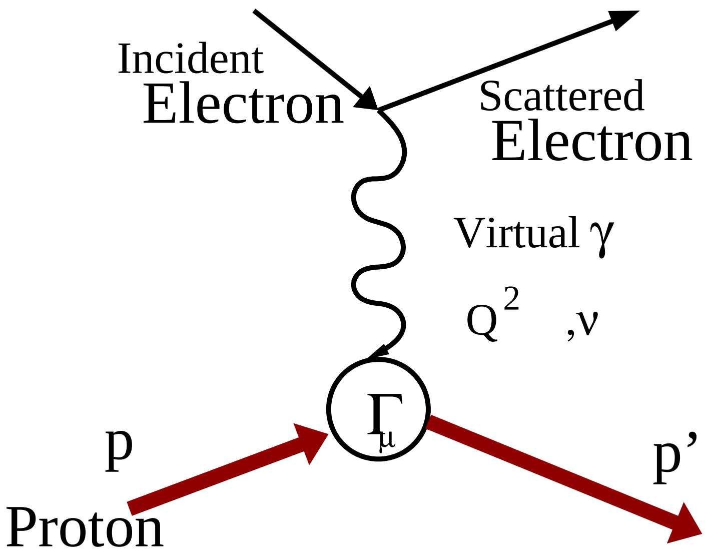

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➡ Beam-target Asymmetries $\vec{N}(\vec{e},e')N$

➡ Recoil polarization $N(\vec{e},e')\vec{N}$

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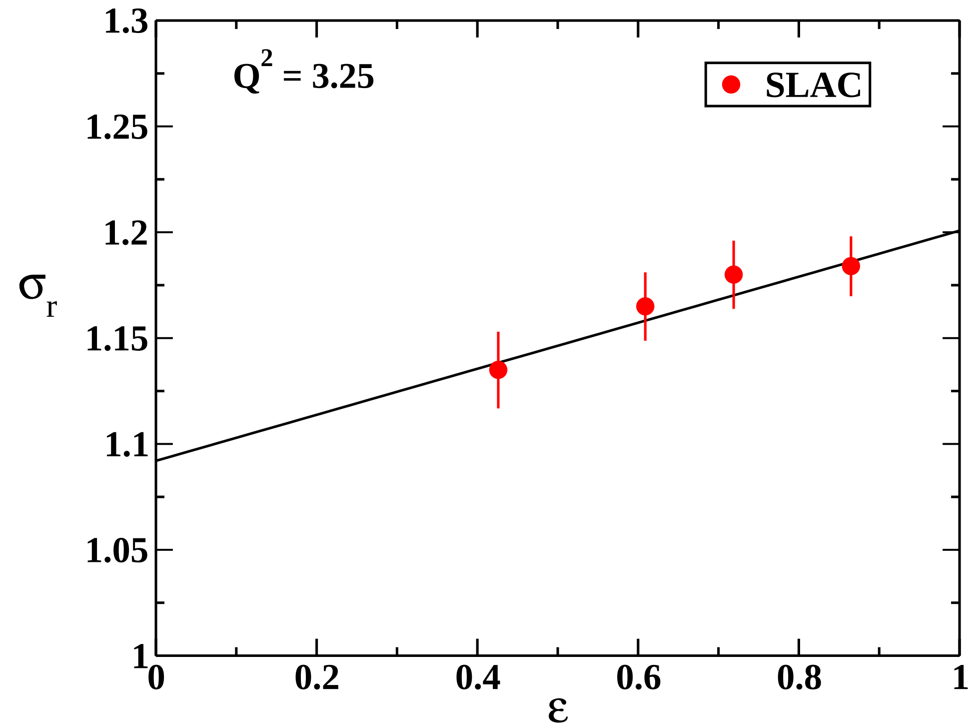

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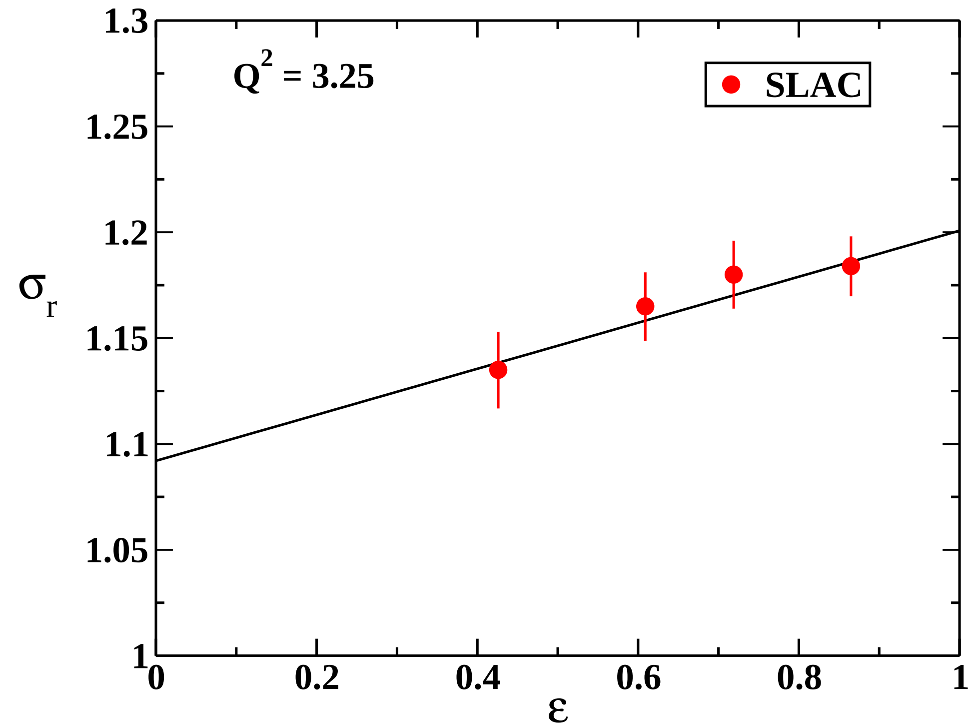

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For $Q^2 > 1$ measuring G_E becomes more difficult

- G_E becomes a smaller fraction of σ
- At Q^2 = 5, G_E maximum 8% contribution to σ

(assuming $\mu G_E/G_M$ = 1)

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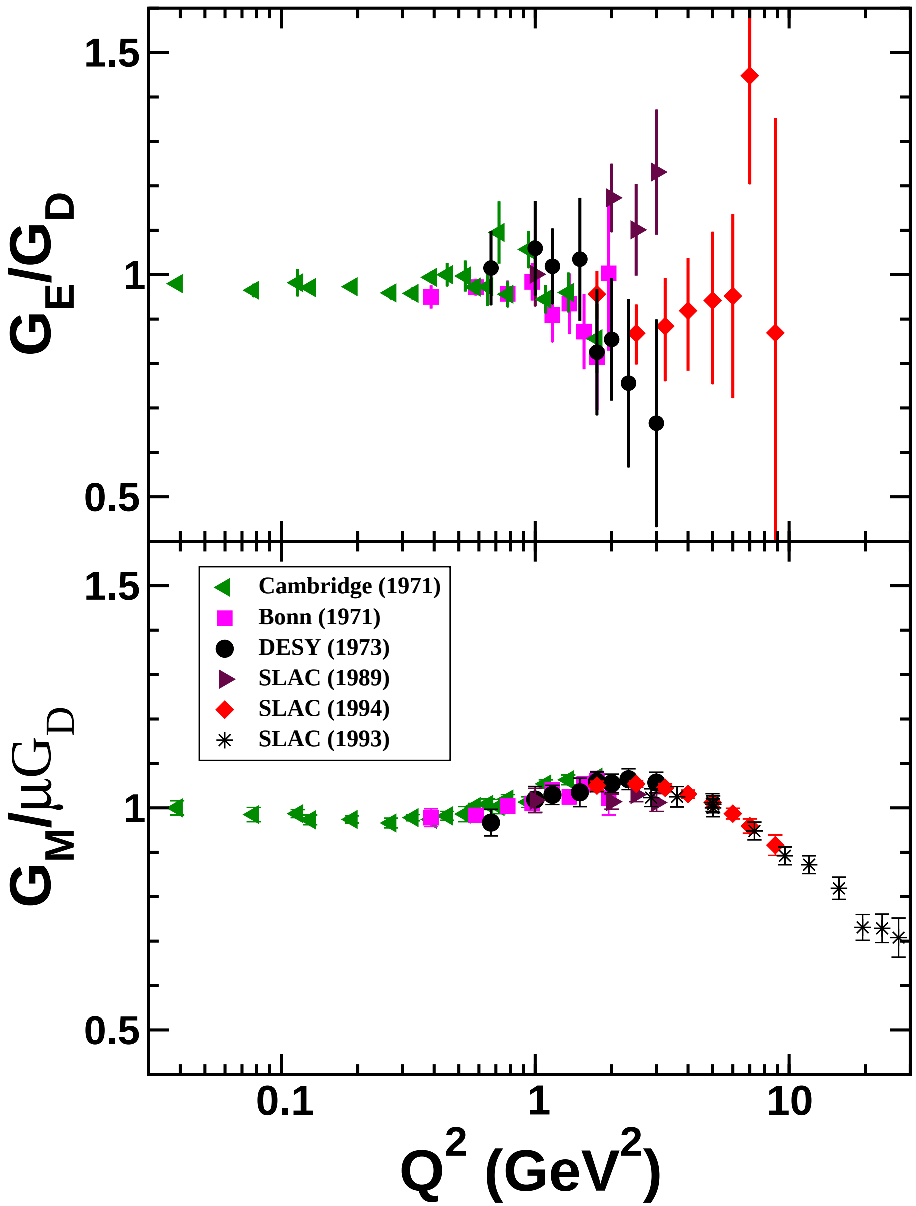

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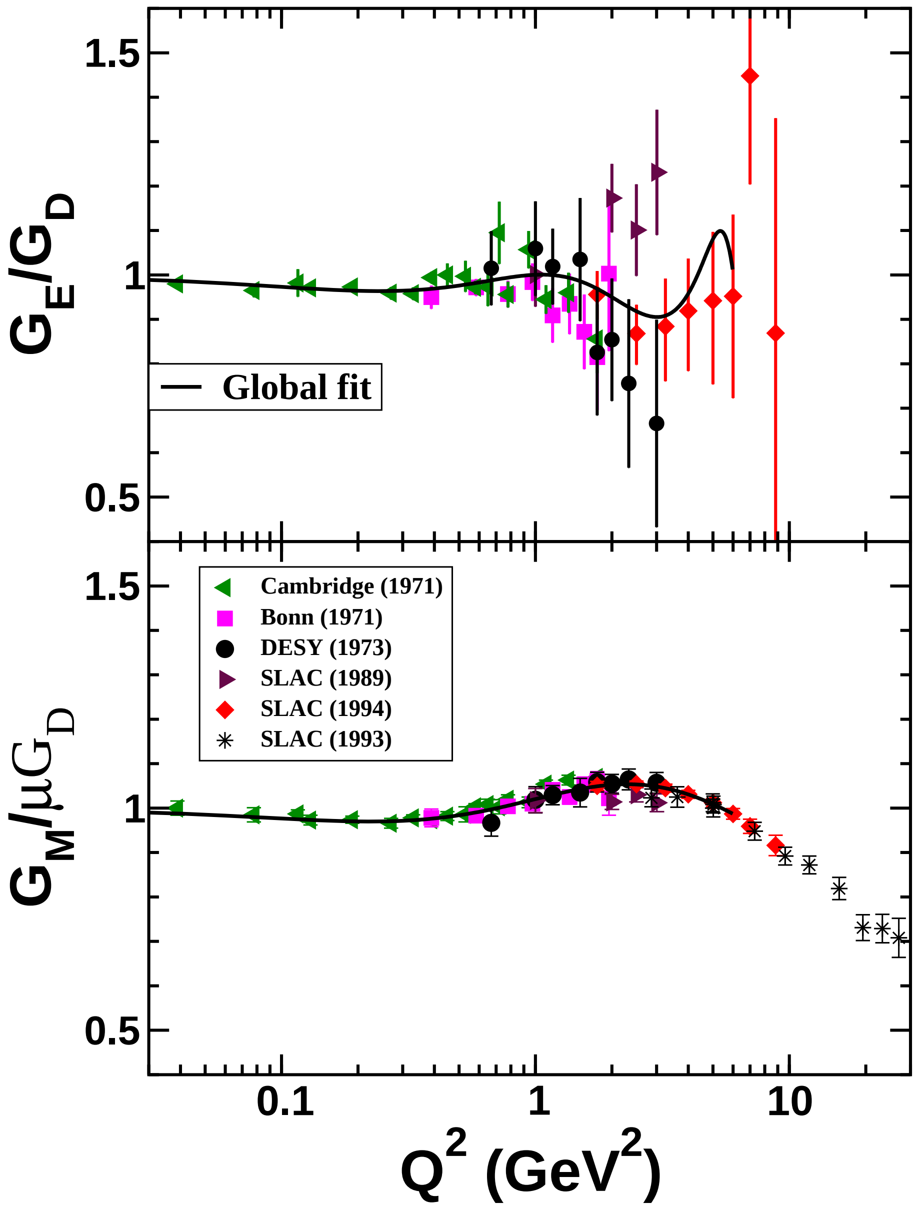

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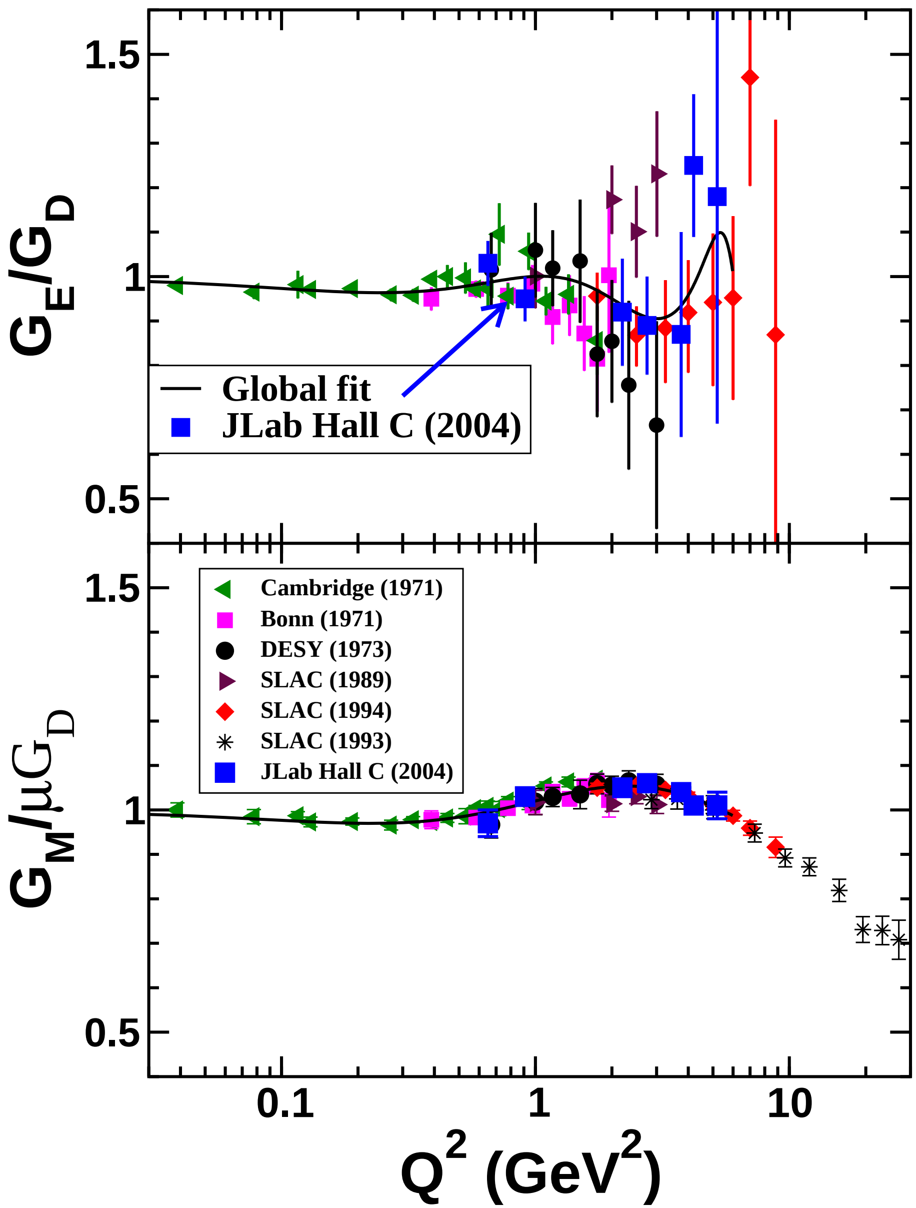

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➡ Recent Hall C data

M. E. Christy, PRC 70, 015206 (2004)

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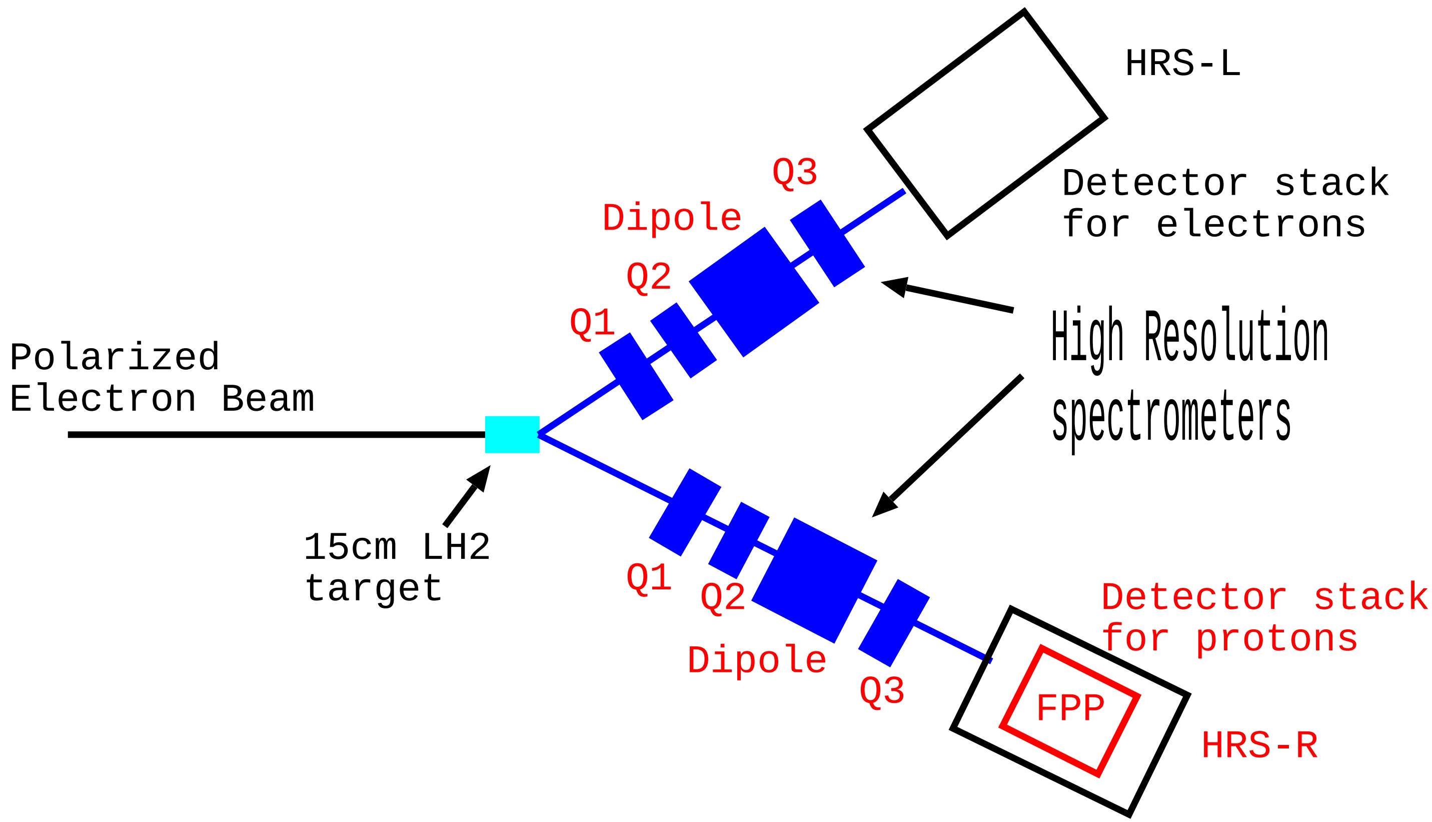

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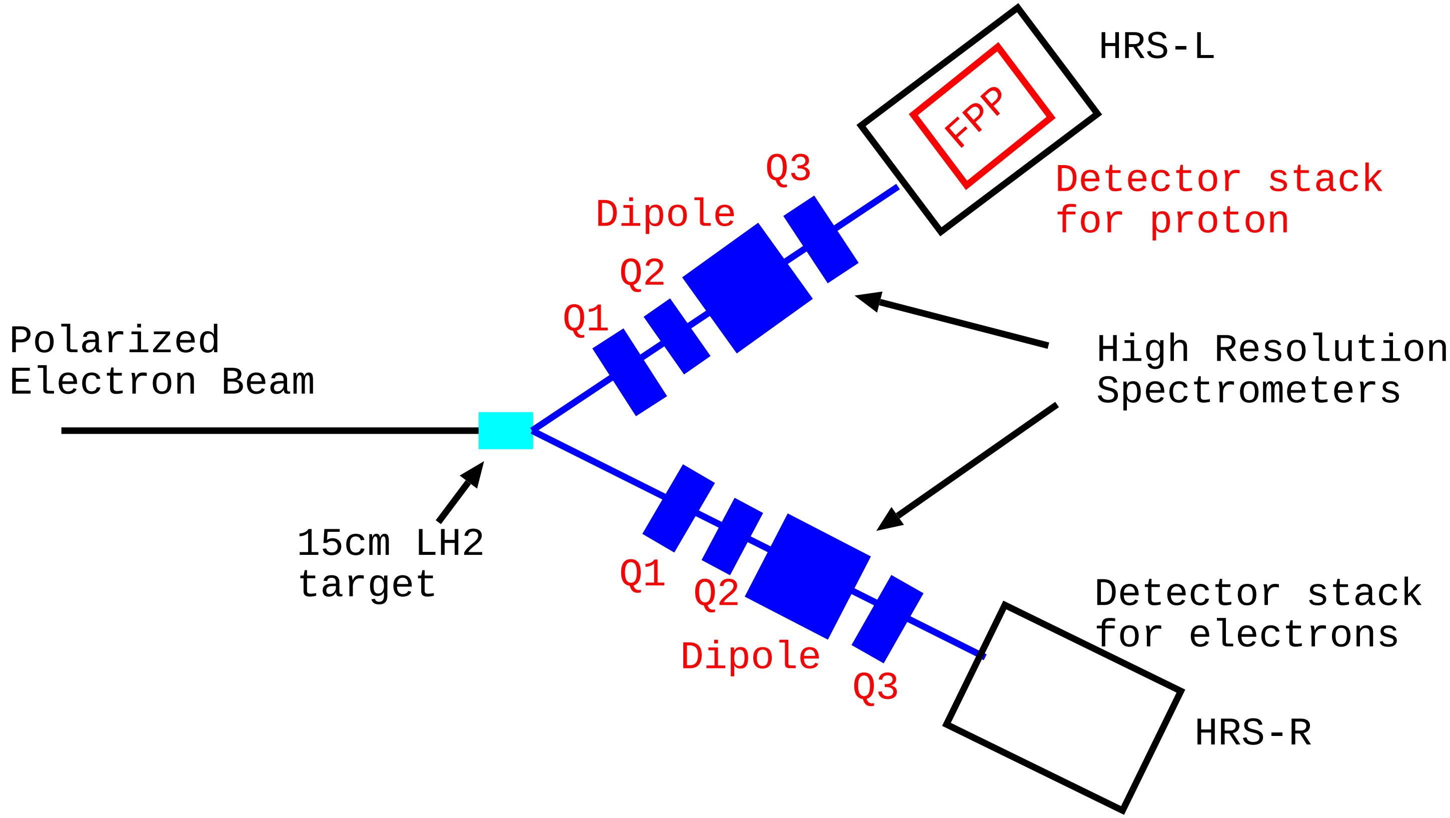

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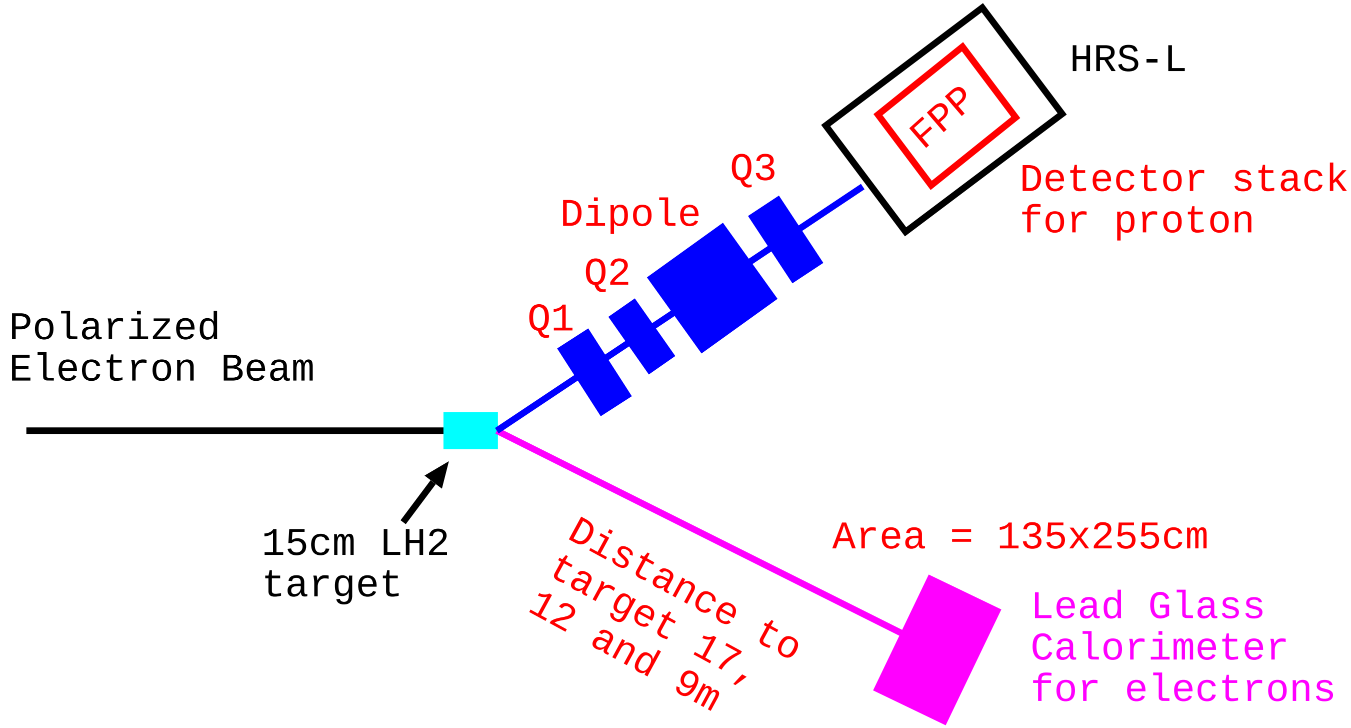

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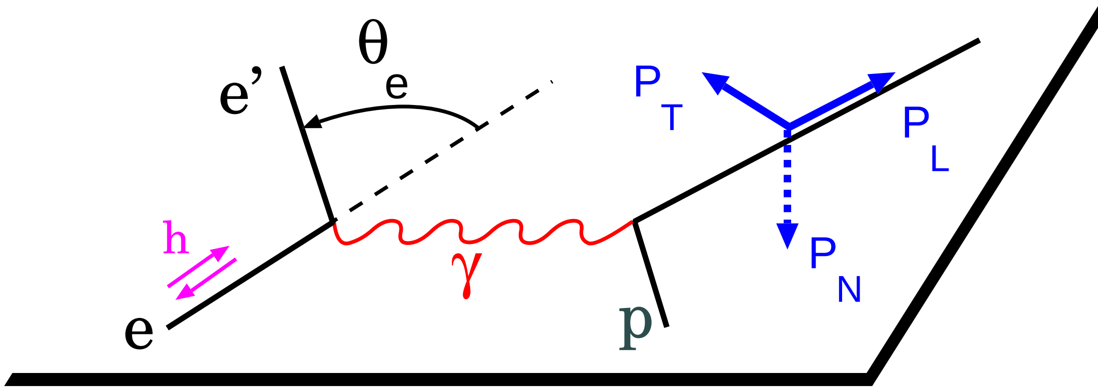
Spin Transfer Reaction $^1\mathbf{H}(\vec{e}, e'\,\vec{p})$



Helicity dependent : P_N,P_T,P_L

$P_N = 0$ for elastic

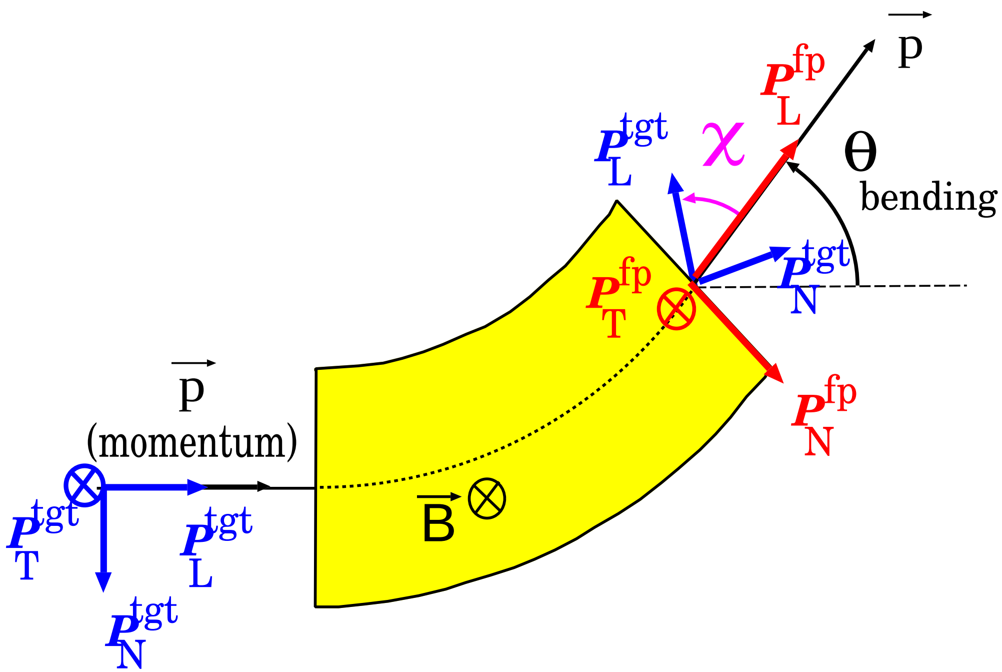
In 1γ approx.

Helicity independent $P_N = 0$

$$\frac{G_E}{G_M} = -\frac{P_T}{P_L}\frac{E_e+E_{e'}}{2M}\tan\left(\frac{\theta_e}{2}\right)$$

- Experiments detect the electron and proton in coincidence
- Proton spin measured by second scattering in polarimeter
- Experiments done at MIT-Bates, Mainz and JLab

Spin precession



Precession angle

$$\chi = \gamma \, \kappa_p \, \theta_b$$

For Hall A HRS $\theta_b = 45°$

For $Q^2 = 2.2$, $\chi = 180°$

FPP measures P_N^{fp}, P_T^{fp}

Simple dipole magnet

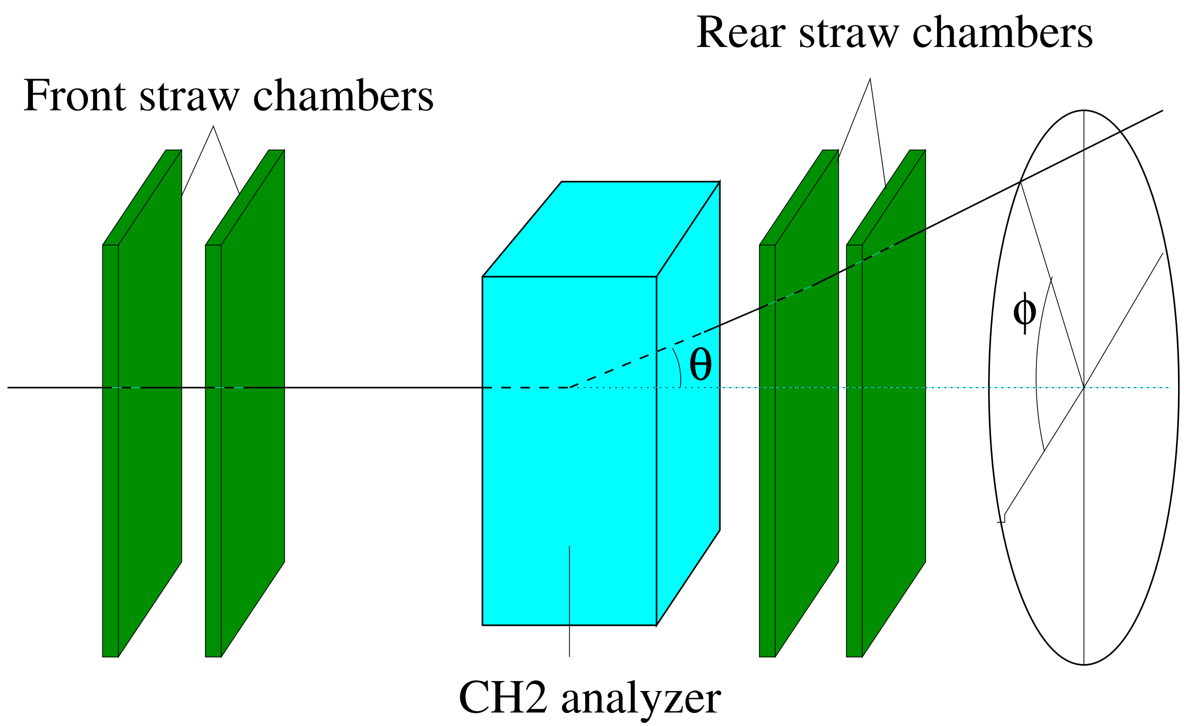
$$P_T^{fp} = P_T^{tgt}$$
$$P_N^{fp} = P_L^{tgt} \sin \chi$$

In general

$$P_T^{fp} = S_{tt} P_T^{tgt} + S_{tl} P_L^{tgt}$$
$$P_N^{fp} = S_{nt} P_T^{tgt} + S_{nl} P_L^{tgt}$$

$S_{tt}, S_{tl}, S_{nt}, S_{nl}$
calculated from model of spectrometer

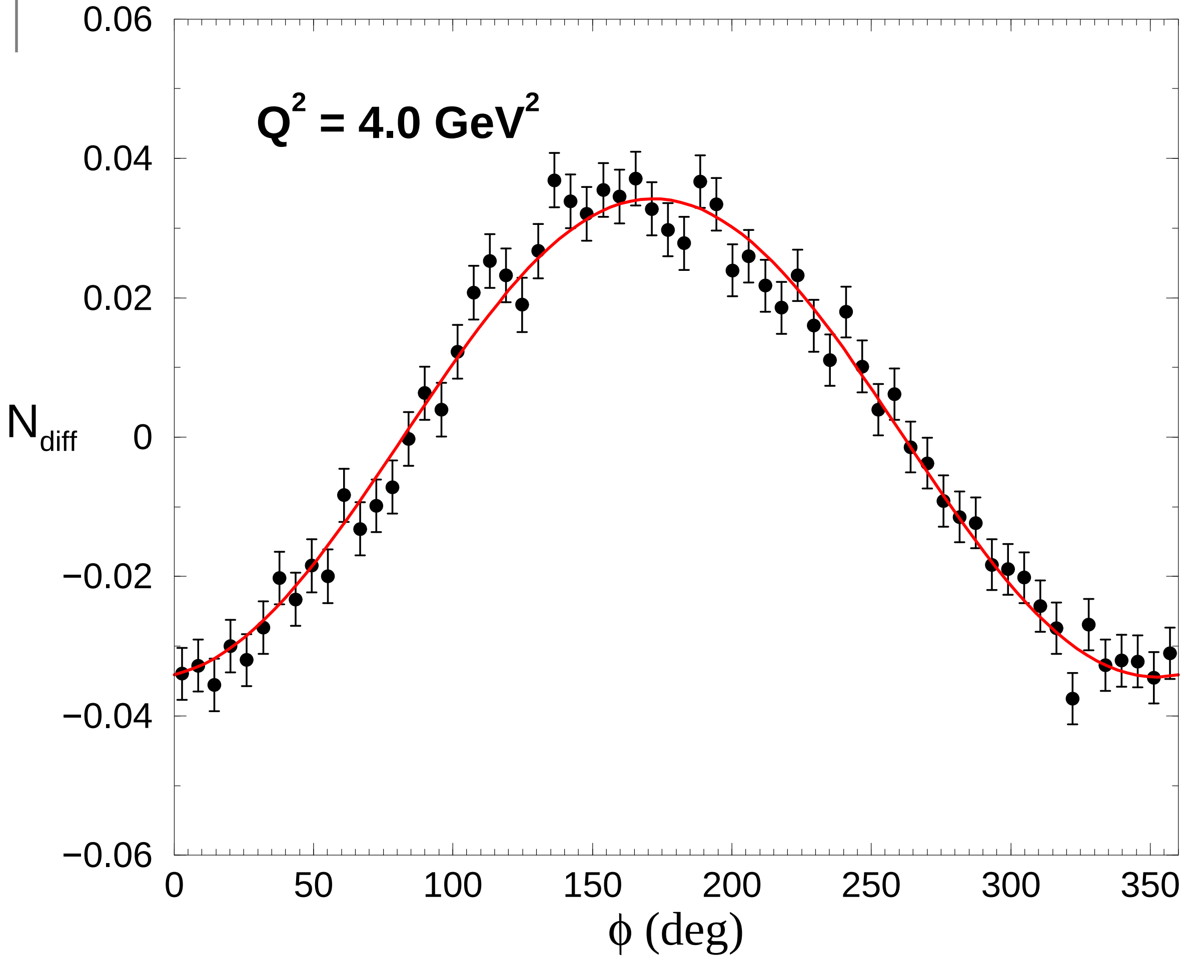
Focal Plane Polarimeter



Measure $N^{\pm}(\theta, \phi)$, ϕ distribution of protons scattered in an analyzer (A_c) for each beam helicity (h)

$$N_D = \frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{N^+(\theta,\phi)}{N_o^+(\theta)} - \frac{N^-(\theta,\phi)}{N_o^-(\theta)}\right] = hA_c\left[P_N^{fp}\cos\phi + P_T^{fp}\sin\phi\right]$$

FPP ϕ Distributions



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$$\frac{P_T^{tgt}}{P_L^{tgt}} = \frac{P_T^{fp}}{P_N^{fp}} \sin\chi$$

hA_c cancels !

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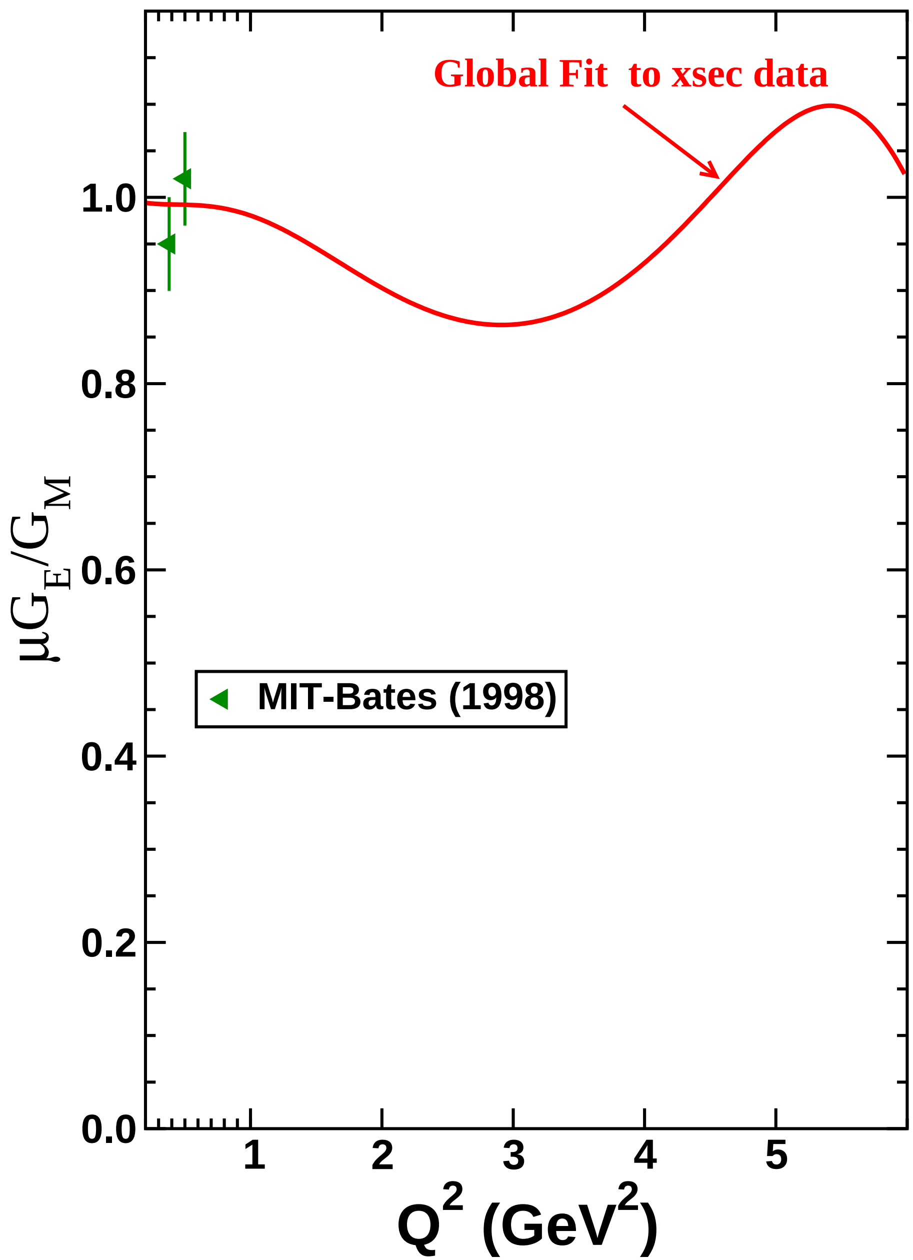

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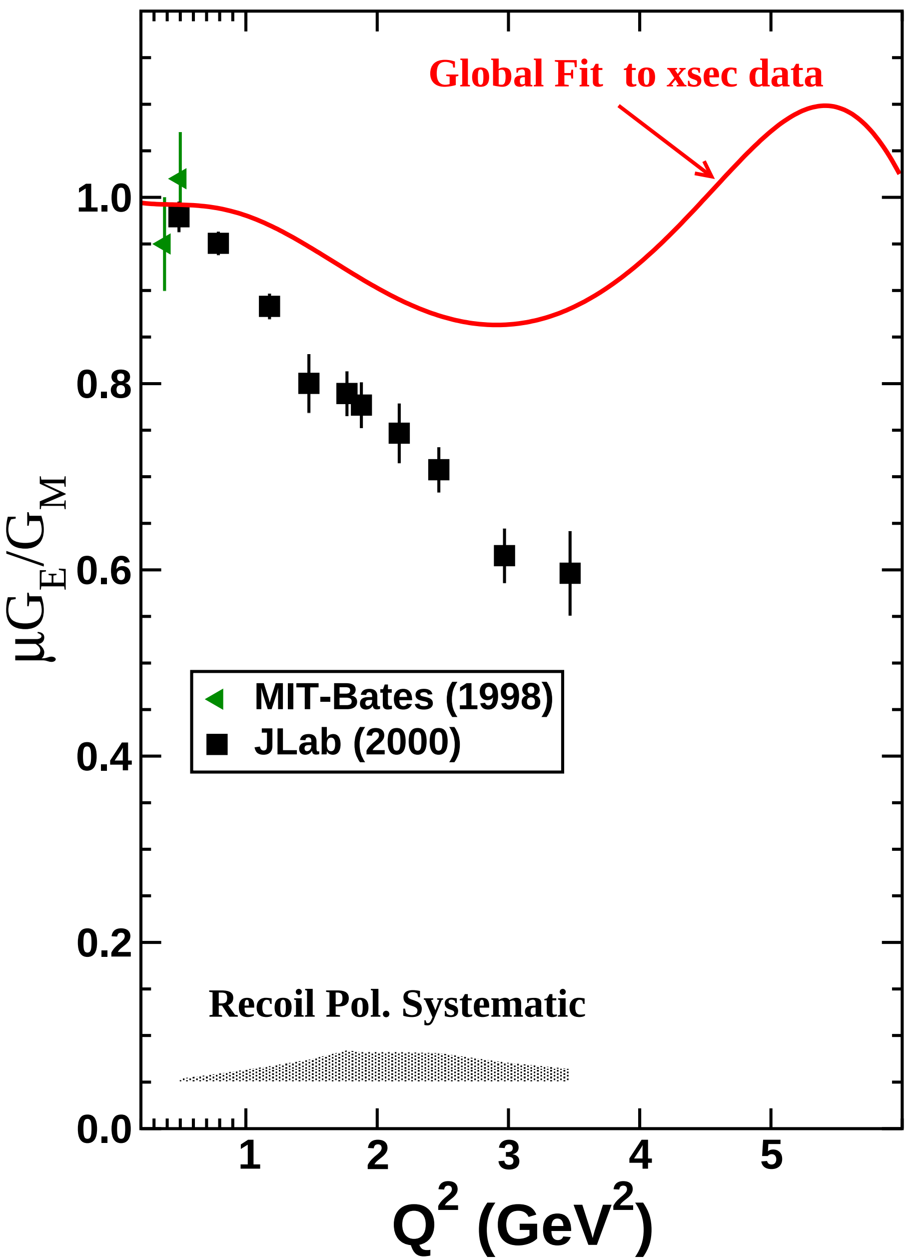

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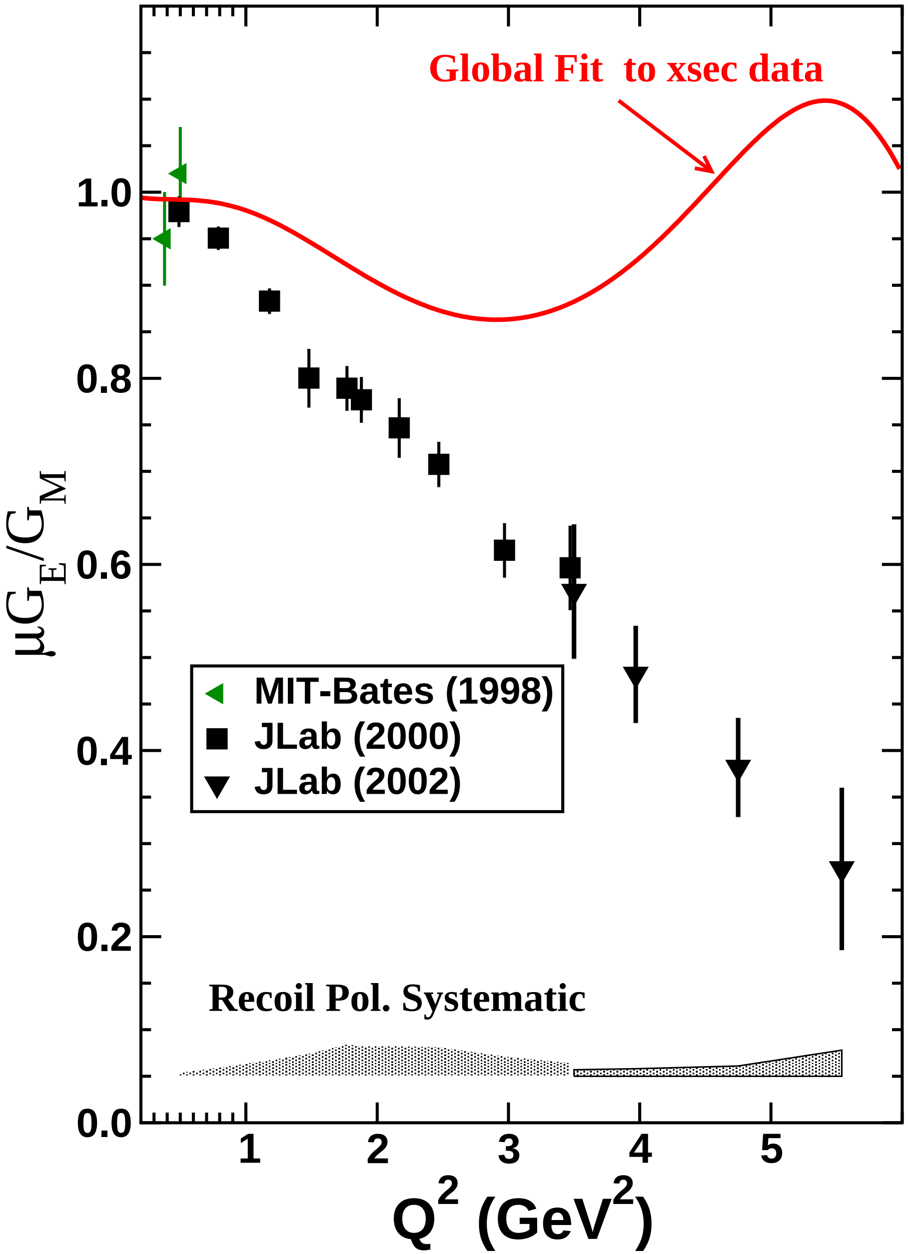

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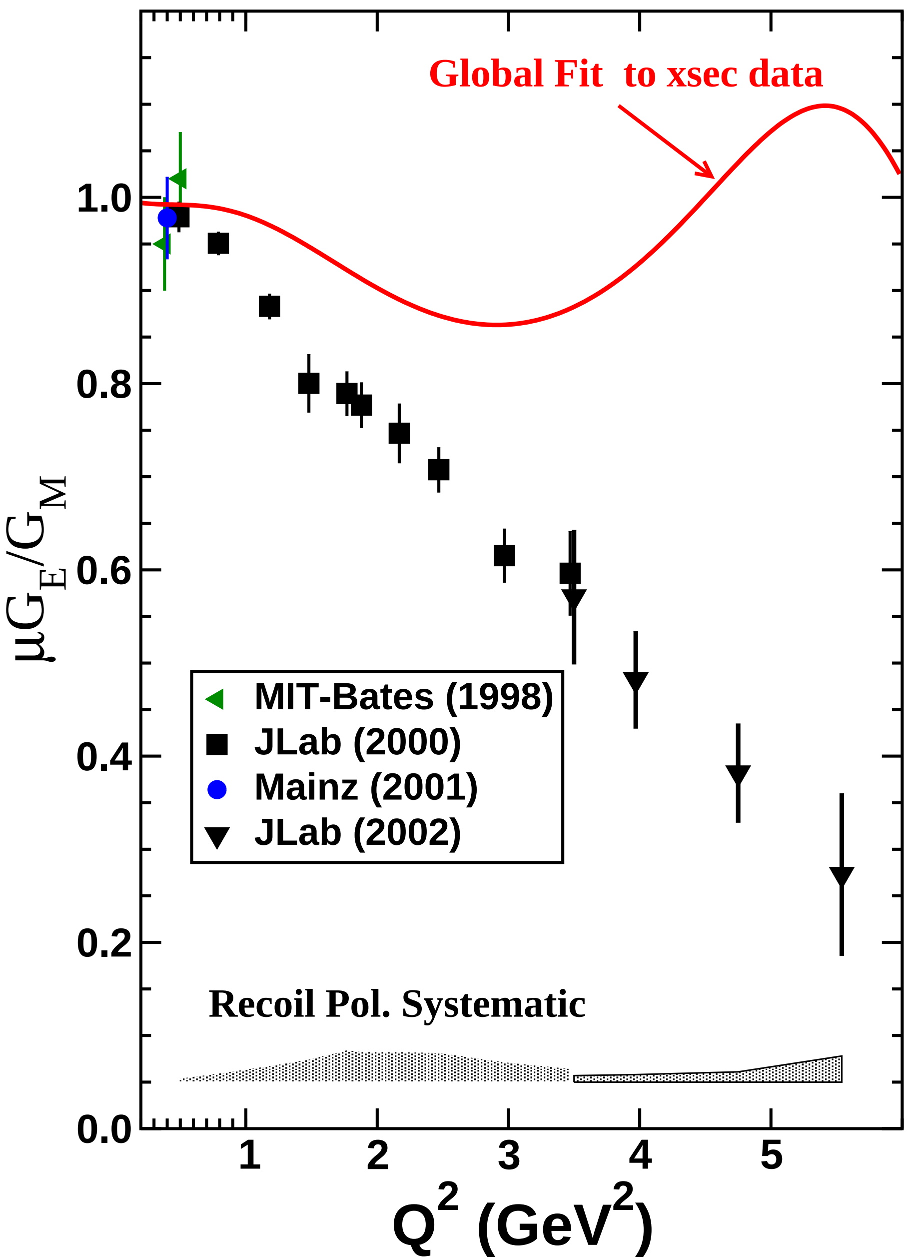

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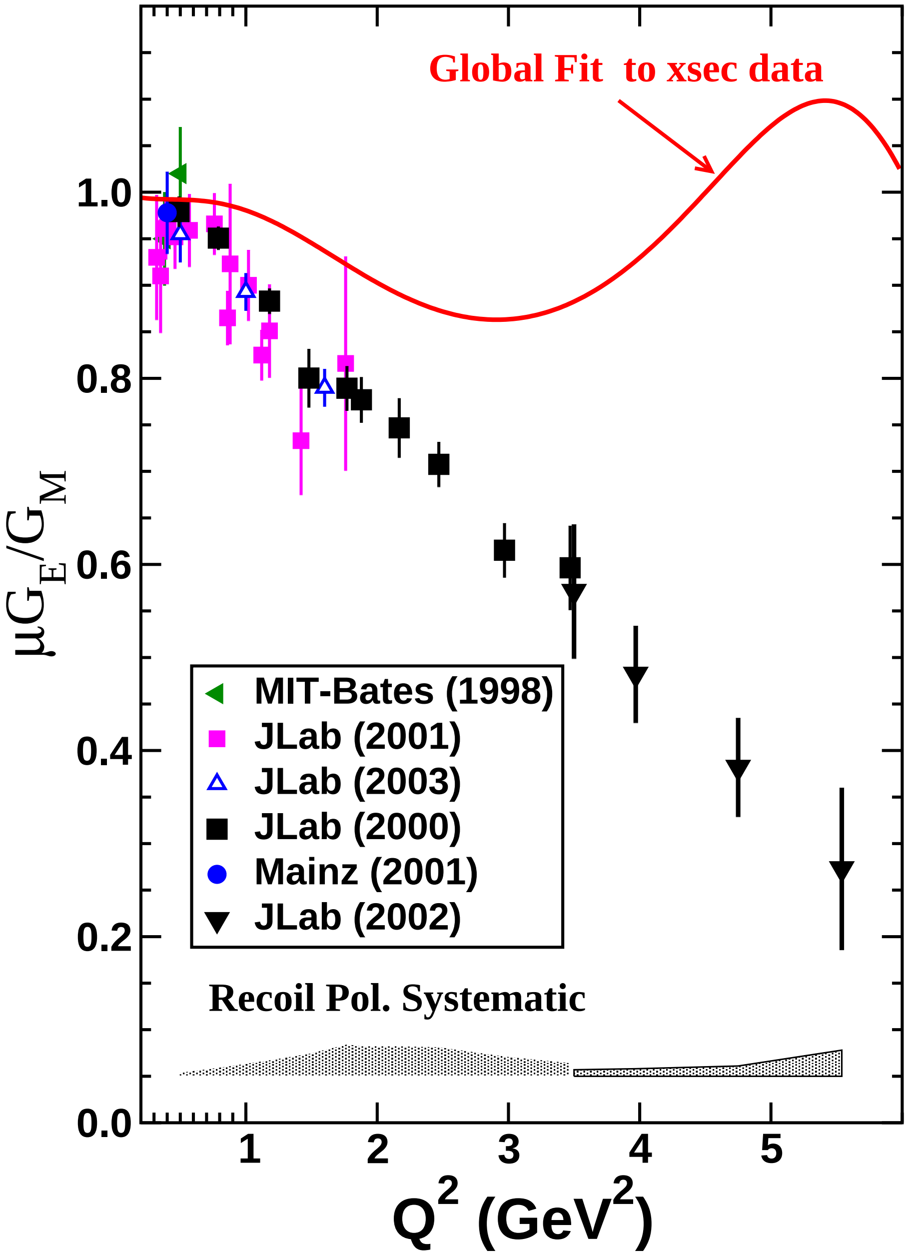

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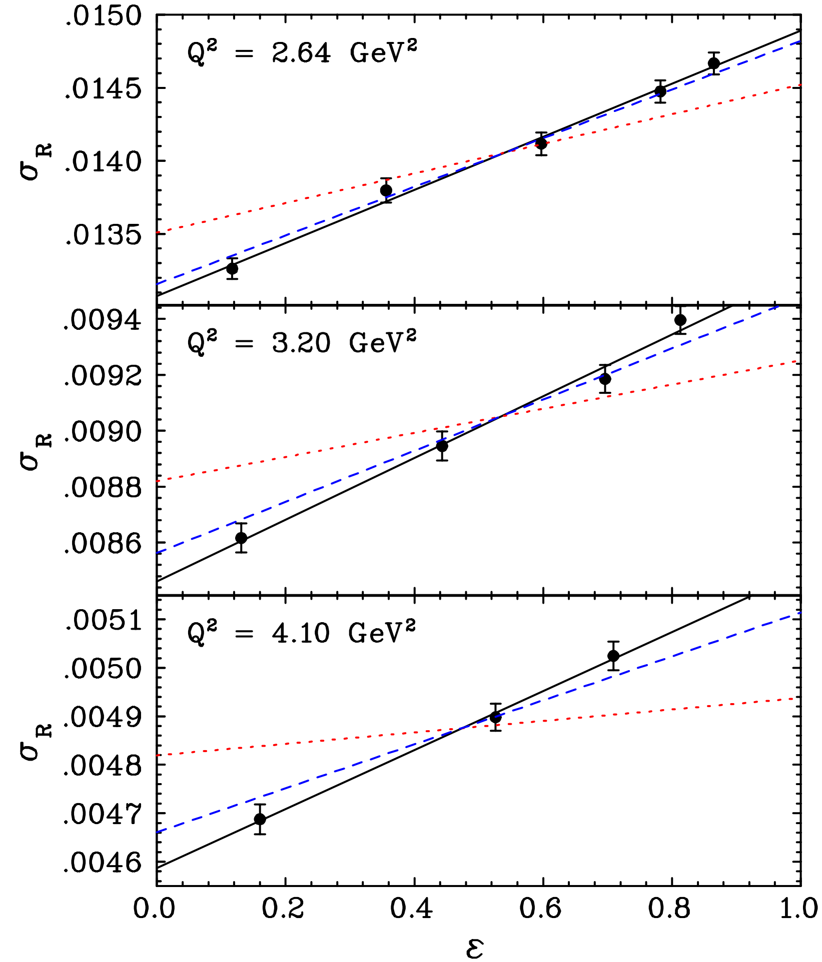
- Mainz experiment
- Secondary part of other JLab experiments.

JLab Hall A Rosenbluth experiment

- At JLab in Hall A did Rosenbluth separation
  ➡ Single arm proton detection
- Advantages:
  - Proton momentum fixed at each ϵ
  - Rate is nearly constant with ϵ
  - Reduces size of ϵ-dependent radiative corrections
  - Reduces systematic error from beam energy and scattering angle
- I. Qattan *et al.* PRL 94, 142301 (2005)

JLab Hall A Rosenbluth plots

- Plot σ_r versus ϵ
  - Solid black line is fit to data
  - Dashed blue line is from a fit to previous cross section data.
  - Dotted red line is using G_E/G_M from recoil polarization
- Systematic error on slope is 0.55%



Slope $\propto G_E$ Intercept $\propto G_M$

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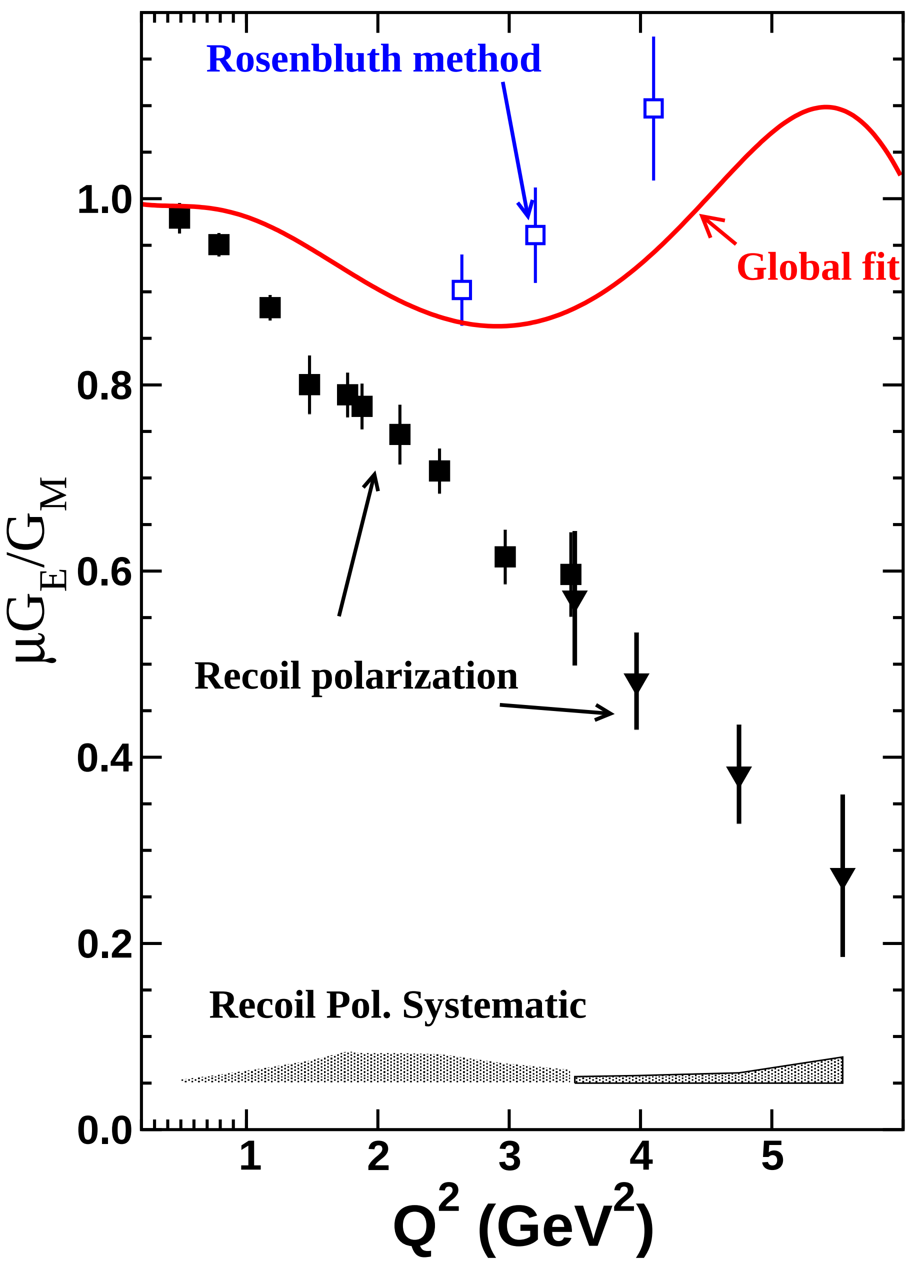

- Hall A Rosenbluth G_E/G_M agrees with previous cross section measurements
- Discrepancy between G_E/G_M from recoil polarization and from cross section measurement persistent

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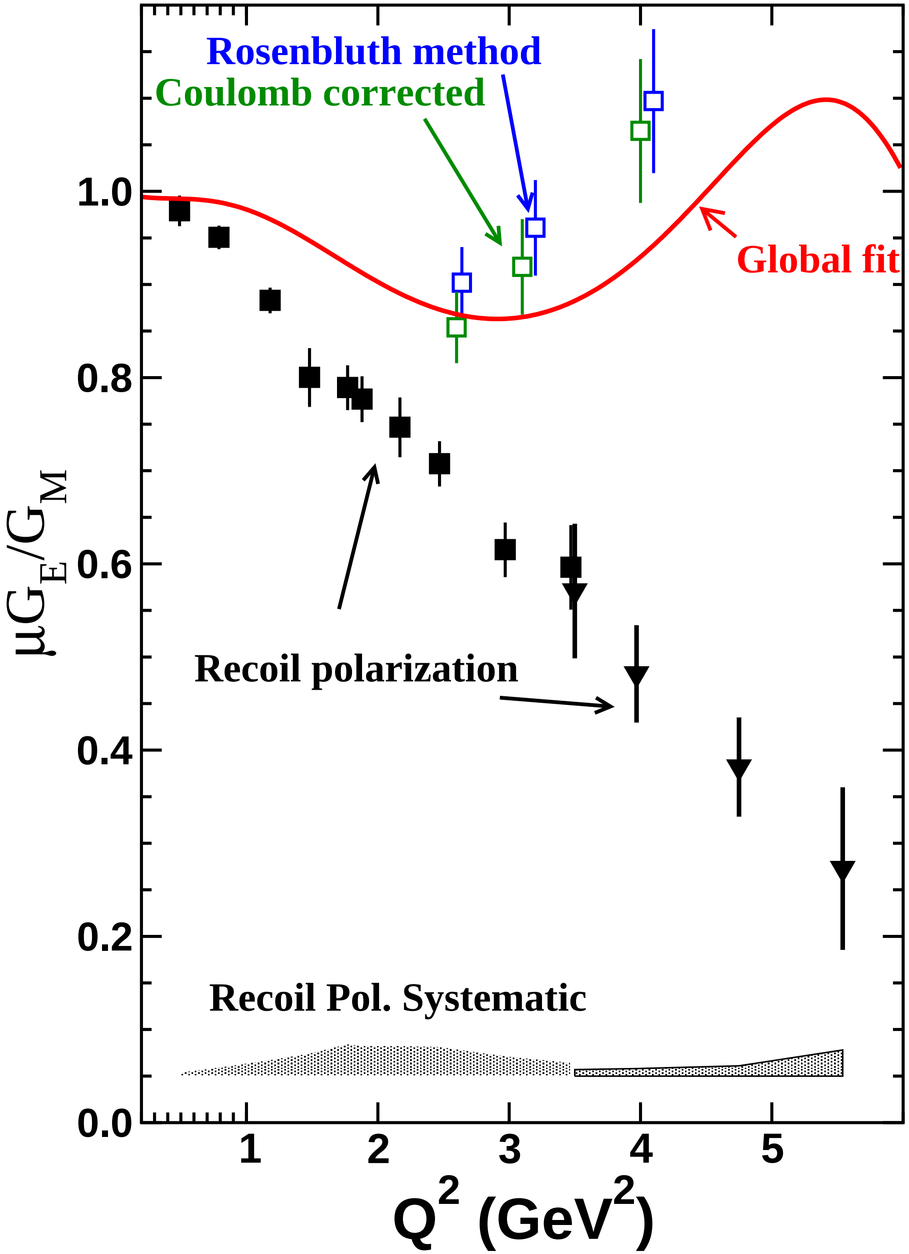

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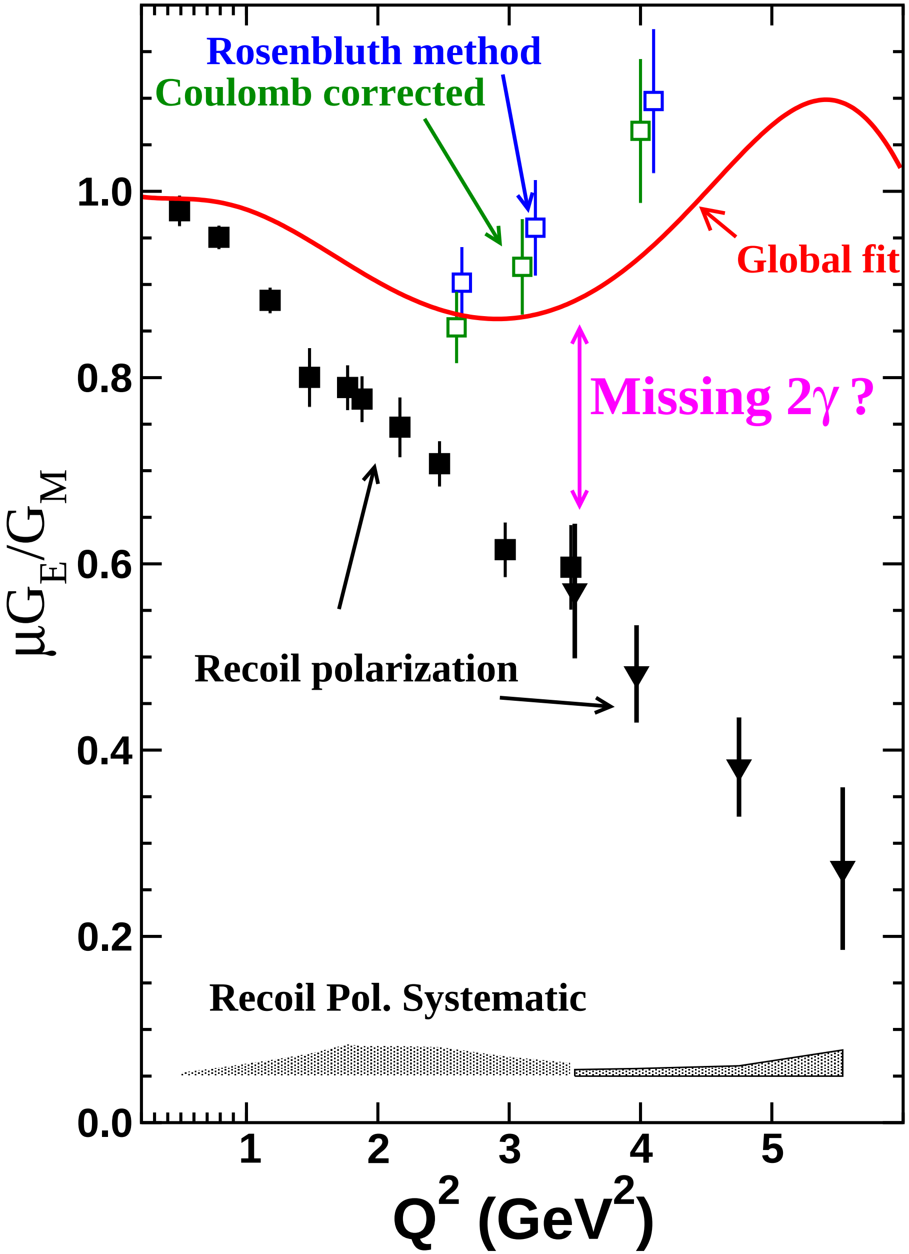

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- Missing physics from 2γ exchange?

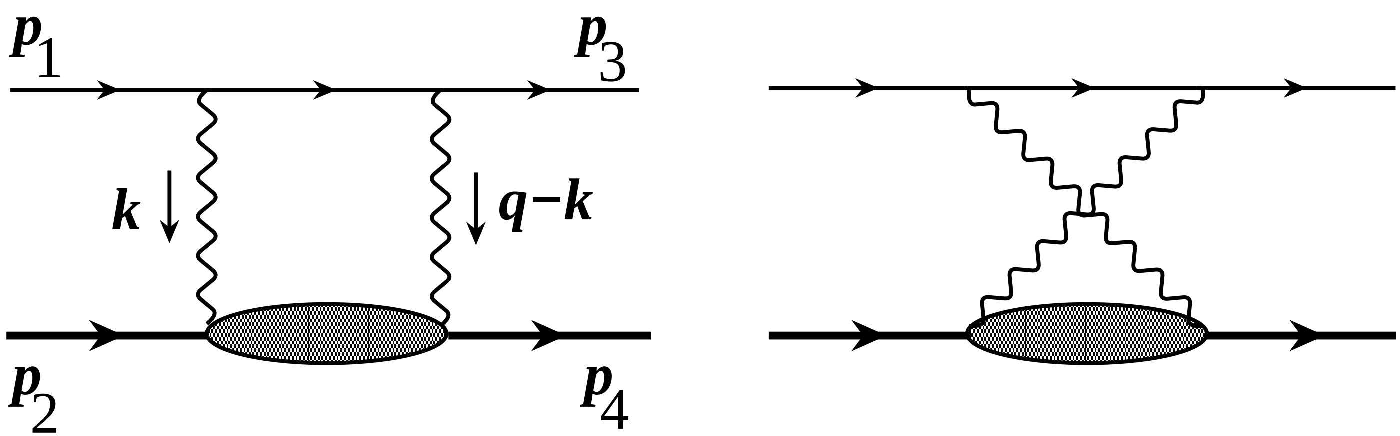
$$\sigma_r \propto \frac{\epsilon}{\tau} G_E^2 + G_M^2 + \epsilon \sigma_{2\gamma}(\epsilon, Q^2)$$

Explain discrepancy with

$$\sigma_{2\gamma}(\epsilon, Q^2) \sim 6\%$$

with small ϵ, Q^2 dependence

2γ exchange contribution



- Nucleon elastic intermediate state *P.G. Blunden, W. Melnitchouk, J.A. Tjon*
- GPD calculation *A. V. Afanasev, S. J. Brodsky, C. E. Carlson, Y. Chen, M. Vanderhaeghen*
- Various proposals to measure 2γ exchange contribution
  - ϵ dependence of $\sigma_{e^+p}/\sigma_{e^-p}$
  - Precision ϵ dependence of σ_{e^-}
  - ϵ dependence of P_T/P_L.
- Talks in the afternoon 2γ session

Future G_E/G_M at JLab in Hall C

- At JLab to reach higher Q^2 need to detect protons in the Hall C HMS
- As in Hall A, to maximize rate need to use large calorimeter to detect electron
- At Dubna measured $A = 0.05$ for CH_2 at proton momentum 5.3 GeV/c and test various thickness of CH_2
- From these tests decided on using a double polarimeter in Hall C.

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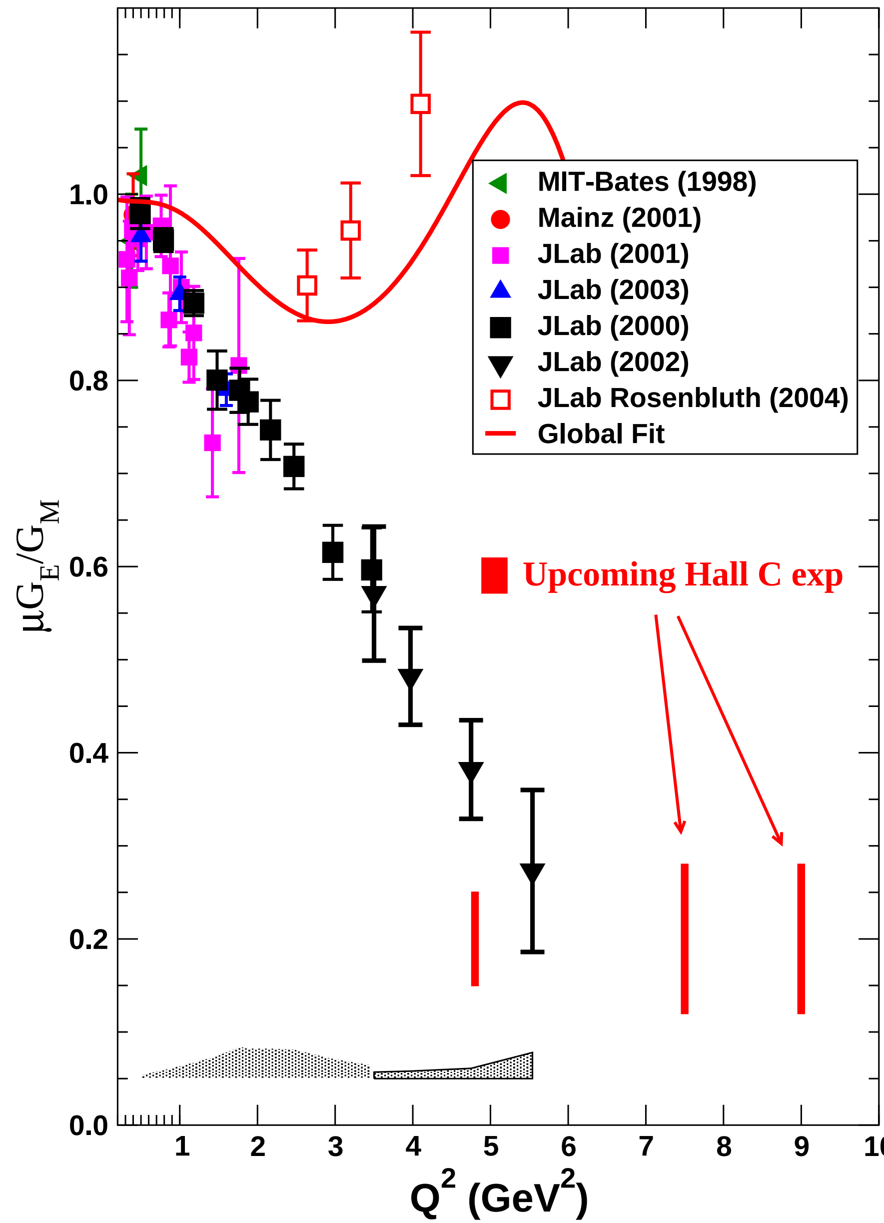

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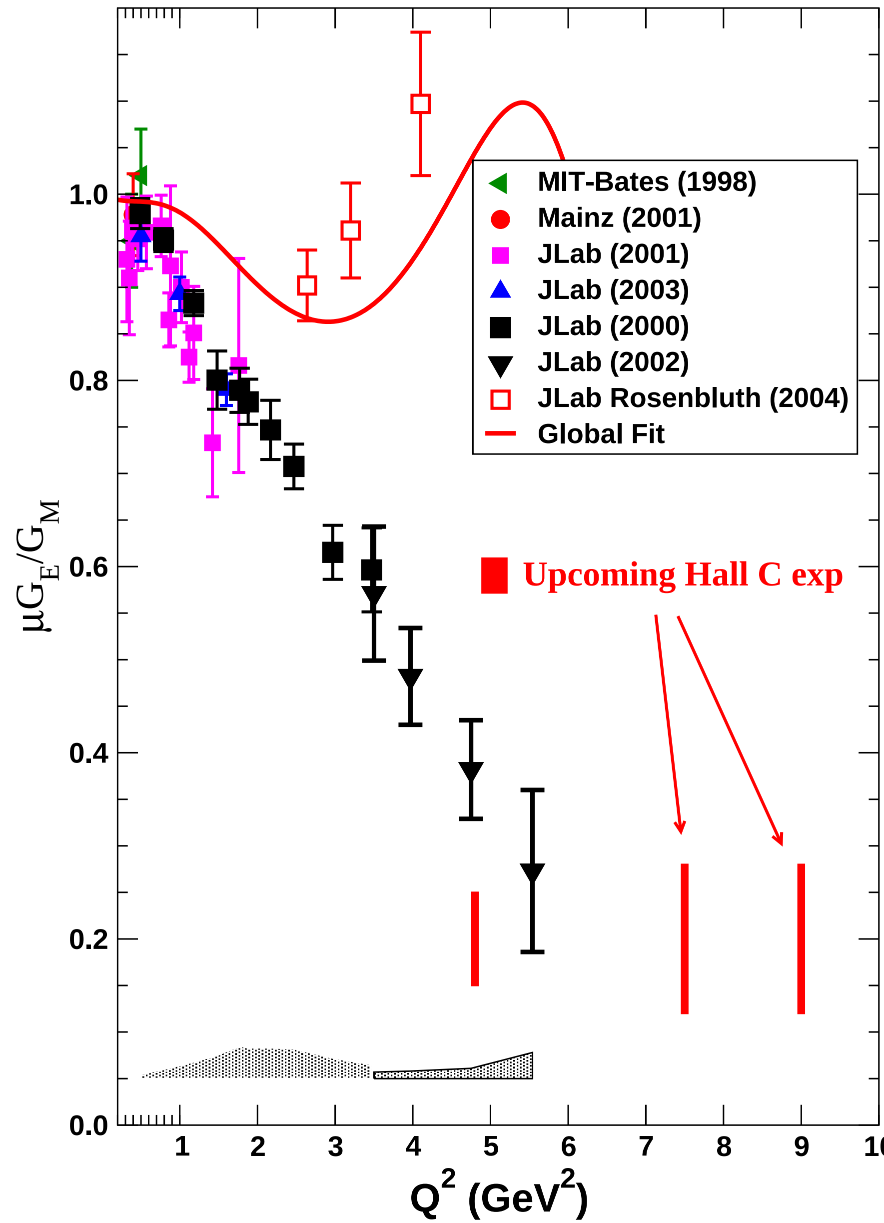

Summary

- Proton G_E/G_M has been measured to Q^2 = 5.6
  ➡ In Hall C at JLab 2007
  Measure G_E/G_M at Q^2 = 7.5 and 9 GeV^2
- Precision data on G_E/G_M from recoil polarization and cross section measurements disagree
  ➡ Need to include 2γ contributions when extracting G_E/G_M from cross section measurements.
  ➡ Need other experiments to study 2γ
- Combined with precision data on the neutron has stimulated study of nucleon structure
  - Relativistic effects
  - Angular momentum
  - Constituent quark models