



# Electron scattering data and its use in constraining neutrino models

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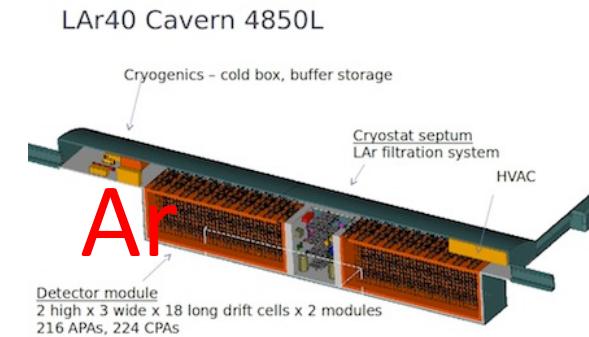
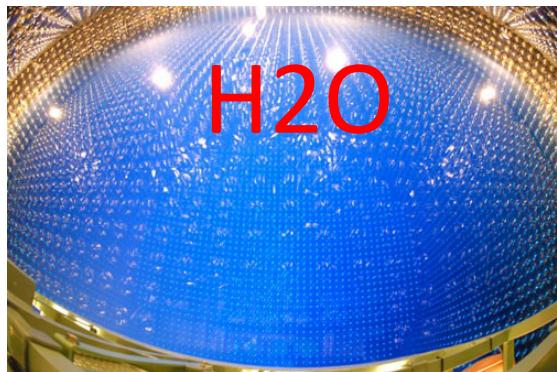
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# Outline

- Neutrino physics due to low amount of data need and should use electron scattering data to constrain our models of neutrino interactions.
  - Nucleon structure
  - Nuclear Structure
  - In medium modifications (PDFs, hadronization and FSI)

# Nuclear cross sections and IA

- To boost statistics, **neutrino experiments use nuclear targets, typically**



- Neutrino-nucleus cross sections are typically computed using the *Impulse Approximation*
- IA: Nuclear cross sections ( $\nu A$ ) described by incoherent scattering off quasi-free nucleons*
- Descriptions of free nucleon cross section important! → Nucleon structure

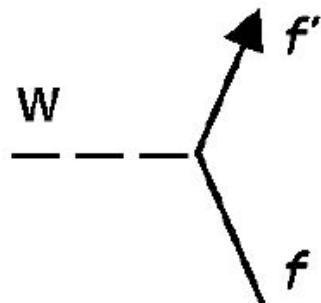
# Nucleon structure measurements

- Elastic nucleon form factors measurements ( → neutrino QE )
- Structure function measurements ( → neutrino DIS )
- Study of resonance excitation ( → transition from QE to DIS )

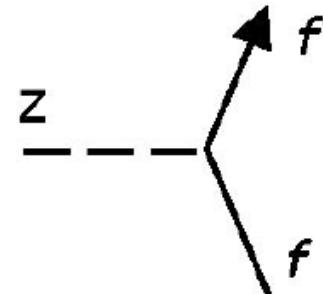
## Two types of interactions

- Neutrino interact only via exchange of W and Z bosons

Charge Current



Neutral Current



$$J_W^\mu = \bar{u}_f \tau_+ \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma^5) u_f$$

$$J_W^\mu = \bar{u}_{f'} \tau_+ \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma^5) u_f$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_V^f &= T_3^f - 2Q^f \sin^2 \theta_W \\ g_A^f &= T_3^f \end{aligned}$$

# Electron scattering data

- Electron scattering data provides information about the vector part of the interaction.
- All weak processes can be parametrized in terms of vector and axial structure functions.
- They describe all kinematics distributions of the final state lepton, and are applicable at all energies for electron scattering as well as neutrino and antineutrinos

# Electron scattering data

- Theoretical models must describe the vector parts of both longitudinal and transverse structure function of electron scattering measurements for the appropriate reactions at the level of a few percent.
- Neutrino scattering data need to be used to constrain the axial structure functions

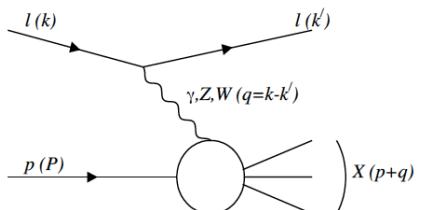
# Neutrino cross sections

- All neutrino oscillation experiments require good knowledge of energy dependence of neutrino cross sections and kinematic distributions of the final state for the reaction:



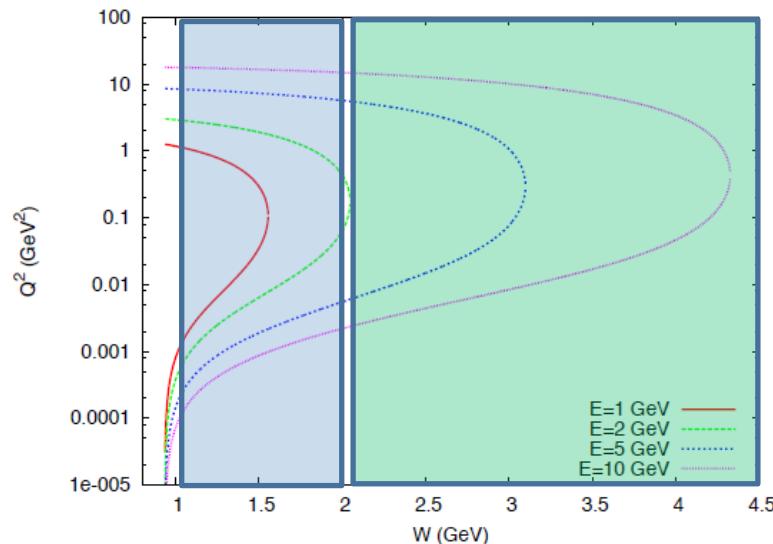
- We need to know neutrino cross section at low energies and on nuclear targets.

$W^2 = (p+q)^2 = M^2 + 2Mv - Q^2$   
 $v$  = energy transfer to target  
 $y = v/E$  = inelasticity  
 $Q^2$  = square of the four momentum transfer  
 $x = Q^2/2Mv$  = fraction of momentum carried by quark)  
 $x=1$  for quasielastic scattering

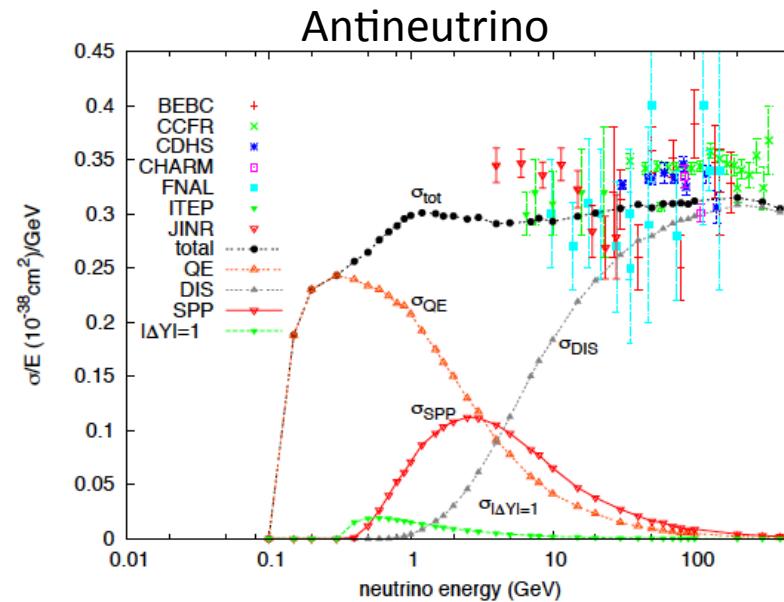
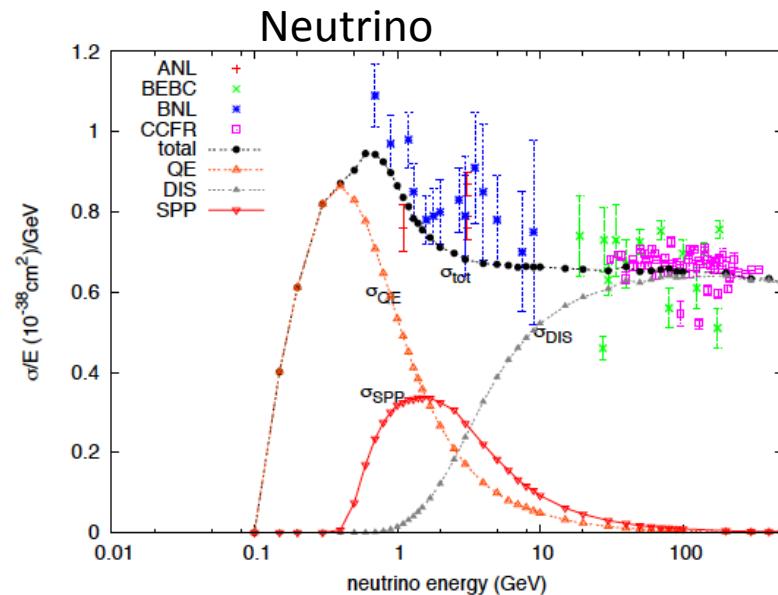


# Neutrino cross section

- In electron and neutrino scattering we categorize cross section by the mass of the final state hadronic state:  $W$ 
  - $W = 0.983 \text{ GeV}$ : (quasi-)elastic scattering
  - $1.1 < W < 1.9 \text{ GeV}$ : inelastic scattering in the resonance region
  - $W > 1.9 \text{ GeV}$ : Inelastic scattering in the continuum



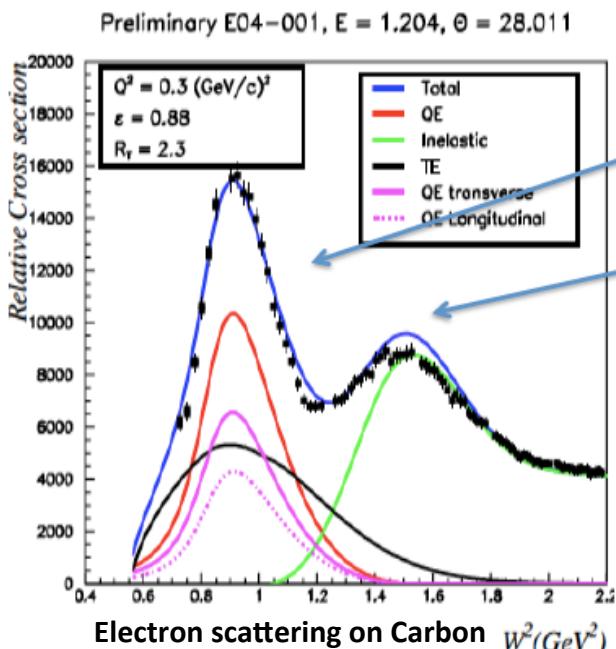
# Neutrino cross section



- All data points are for the  $\nu_\mu$

# Electron scattering

- The term quasielastic scattering means different things to the electron scattering community and to the neutrino scattering community.

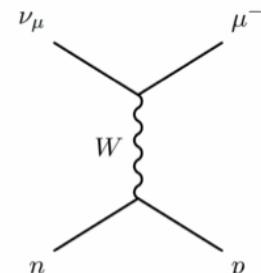


- Electron scattering at  $x=1$ .  $W=M$  On Free nucleons  
=> elastic scattering = Delta Function
- On nucleons bound in Nuclei -> Quasielastic scattering (quasi free)
  - $\Delta$  resonance (1234)
- In neutrino physics QE scattering means
  - Neutrino charged current at  $X=1$ ,  $W=M$
  - On free nucleons → Quasielastic (neutrino → muon)
  - On nucleons bound in nuclei → quasielastic scattering (quasi free, same as for electron)

# Quasi-elastic reaction and axial mass

CC Quasi-elastic

nucleon changes,  
but doesn't break up



$$\Gamma_\mu = \underbrace{\gamma_\mu F_1(Q^2) + i\sigma_{\mu\nu}q^\nu \frac{F_2(Q^2)}{2M}}_V + \underbrace{\gamma_\mu \gamma_5 F_A(Q^2) + \gamma_5 q_\mu \frac{F_P(Q^2)}{M}}_{-A}$$

CVC – for  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  we can use electromagnetic data

PCAC –  $F_A$  and  $F_P$  are not independent

$$F_P(Q^2) = \frac{2M^2 F_A(Q^2)}{m_\pi^2 + Q^2}$$

We need the axial form-factor; the standard dipole form

$$F_A(Q^2) = \frac{g_A}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{M_A^2}\right)^2}$$

$g_A = 1.267$  from  $\beta$  decay;  
 $M_A$  a free parameter (the only one)

The value of axial mass is obtained from experimental data.

# Quasi-elastic reaction

(-) for neutrinos (+) for antineutrinos

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\nu,\bar{\nu}}}{d|q^2|} = \frac{M^2 G^2 \cos^2 \theta_C}{8\pi E_\nu^2} \left[ A(q^2) \mp B(q^2) \frac{(s-u)}{M^2} + C(q^2) \frac{(s-u)^2}{M^4} \right]$$

$$A = \frac{(m^2 - q^2)}{4M^2} \left[ \left(4 - \frac{q^2}{M^2}\right) F_A^2 - \left(4 + \frac{q^2}{M^2}\right) (F_V^1)^2 - \frac{q^2}{M^2} (\xi F_V^2)^2 \left(1 + \frac{q^2}{4M^2}\right) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{4q^2 F_V^1 \xi F_V^2}{M^2} - \frac{m^2}{M^2} \left( (F_V^1 + \xi F_V^2)^2 + (F_A + 2F_p)^2 + \left(\frac{q^2}{M^2} - 4\right) F_p^2 \right) \right],$$

$$B = -\frac{q^2}{M^2} F_A (F_V^1 + \xi F_V^2),$$

$$C = \frac{1}{4} \left[ F_A^2 + (F_V^1)^2 - \frac{q^2}{M^2} \left( \frac{\xi F_V^2}{2} \right)^2 \right],$$

Elastic proton and neutron form factors  
Determined from eN (CVC)

$$F_V^1(q^2) = \frac{G_E^V(q^2) - \frac{q^2}{4M^2} G_M^V(q^2)}{1 - \frac{q^2}{4M^2}}$$

$$G_E^V(q^2) = G_E^p(q^2) - G_E^n(q^2)$$

$$\xi F_V^2(q^2) = \frac{G_M^V(q^2) - G_E^V(q^2)}{1 - \frac{q^2}{4M^2}}$$

$$G_M^V(q^2) = G_M^p(q^2) - G_M^n(q^2)$$

- Electron nucleon and muon-nucleon scattering
  - Structure function description

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'}(E_0, E', \theta) = \frac{4\alpha^2 E'^2}{Q^4} \cos^2(\theta/2)$$

$$\times [\mathcal{F}_2(x, Q^2)/\nu + 2 \tan^2(\theta/2) \mathcal{F}_1(x, Q^2)/M]$$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \Gamma [\sigma_T(x, Q^2) + \epsilon \sigma_L(x, Q^2)]$$

- Transverse and longitudinal description

$$\Gamma = \frac{\alpha K E'}{4\pi^2 Q^2 E_0} \left( \frac{2}{1-\epsilon} \right)$$

$$\epsilon = \left[ 1 + 2(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4M^2 x^2}) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right]^{-1}$$

$$K = \frac{Q^2(1-x)}{2Mx}$$

$$\mathcal{R}(x, Q^2) = \frac{\sigma_L}{\sigma_T} = \frac{\mathcal{F}_2}{2x\mathcal{F}_1} \left( 1 + \frac{4M^2 x^2}{Q^2} \right) - 1 = \frac{\mathcal{F}_L}{2x\mathcal{F}_1}$$

- Terms of the structure functions

$$F_1 = M W_1(x, Q^2) \quad F_2 = \nu W_2(x, Q^2) \quad F_3 = \nu W_3(x, Q^2)$$

- Relation between the two descriptions

$$\mathcal{F}_1 = \frac{MK}{4\pi^2\alpha} \sigma_T,$$

$$\mathcal{F}_2 = \frac{\nu K (\sigma_L + \sigma_T)}{4\pi^2\alpha (1 + \frac{Q^2}{4M^2 x^2})}$$

- Since R is small what is general used is a mixed description in terms of  $F_2$ ,  $R$ ,  $F_3$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{v(\bar{v})}}{dx dy} = \frac{G_F^2 M E_v}{\pi} \left( \left[ 1 - y \left( 1 + \frac{Mx}{2E_v} \right) \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \left. + \frac{y^2}{2} \left( \frac{1 + (\frac{2Mx}{Q})^2}{1+R} \right) \right] \mathcal{F}_2 \pm \left[ y - \frac{y^2}{2} \right] x \mathcal{F}_3 \right)$$

- Relations between electric and magnetic form factors and structure functions for elastic electron scattering

$$W_{1p}^{elastic} = \delta(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M})\tau|G_{Mp}(Q^2)|^2$$

$$W_{1n}^{elastic} = \delta(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M})\tau|G_{Mn}(Q^2)|^2$$

- And

$$W_{2p}^{elastic} = \delta(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M}) \frac{[G_{Ep}(Q^2)]^2 + \tau[G_{Mp}(Q^2)]^2}{1 + \tau}$$

$$W_{2n}^{elastic} = \delta(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M}) \frac{[G_{En}(Q^2)]^2 + \tau[G_{Mn}(Q^2)]^2}{1 + \tau}$$

$$R_{p,n}^{elastic}(x=1, Q^2) = \frac{\sigma_L^{elastic}}{\sigma_T^{elastic}} = \frac{4M^2}{Q^2} \left( \frac{G_E^2}{G_M^2} \right)$$

- $G_M^p$  and  $G_M^n$  contribute to the transverse virtual photon-absorption cross section and  $G_E^p$  and  $G_E^n$  contribute to the longitudinal cross section
- FOR elastic/QE scattering
- **Transverse cross section is on magnetic moment distribution FF**
- **Longitudinal cross section is on electric charge distribution FF**

- For neutrino QE scattering: vector form factors are known from electron scattering
- But we also have axial form factors

$$W_{1-Qelastic}^{\nu\text{-vector}} = \delta\left(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M}\right)\tau|\mathcal{G}_M^V(Q^2)|^2,$$

$$W_{1-Qelastic}^{\nu\text{-axial}} = \delta\left(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M}\right)(1+\tau)|\mathcal{F}_A(Q^2)|^2,$$

$$W_{2-Qelastic}^{\nu\text{-vector}} = \delta\left(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M}\right)|\mathcal{F}_V(Q^2)|^2,$$

$$W_{2-Qelastic}^{\nu\text{-axial}} = \delta\left(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M}\right)|\mathcal{F}_A(Q^2)|^2,$$

$$W_{3-Qelastic}^{\nu} = \delta\left(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M}\right)|2\mathcal{G}_M^V(Q^2)\mathcal{F}_A(Q^2)|$$

- Where

$$\mathcal{G}_E^V(Q^2) = G_E^p(Q^2) - G_E^n(Q^2),$$

$$\mathcal{G}_M^V(Q^2) = G_M^p(Q^2) - G_M^n(Q^2).$$

- and

$$|\mathcal{F}_V(Q^2)|^2 = \frac{[G_E^V(Q^2)]^2 + \tau[\mathcal{G}_M^V(Q^2)]^2}{1 + \tau}.$$

$$\sigma_T^{\text{vector}} \propto \tau|\mathcal{G}_M^V(Q^2)|^2; \quad \sigma_T^{\text{axial}} \propto (1+\tau)|\mathcal{F}_A(Q^2)|^2 \\ \sigma_L^{\text{vector}} \propto (\mathcal{G}_E^V(Q^2))^2; \quad \sigma_L^{\text{axial}} = 0.$$

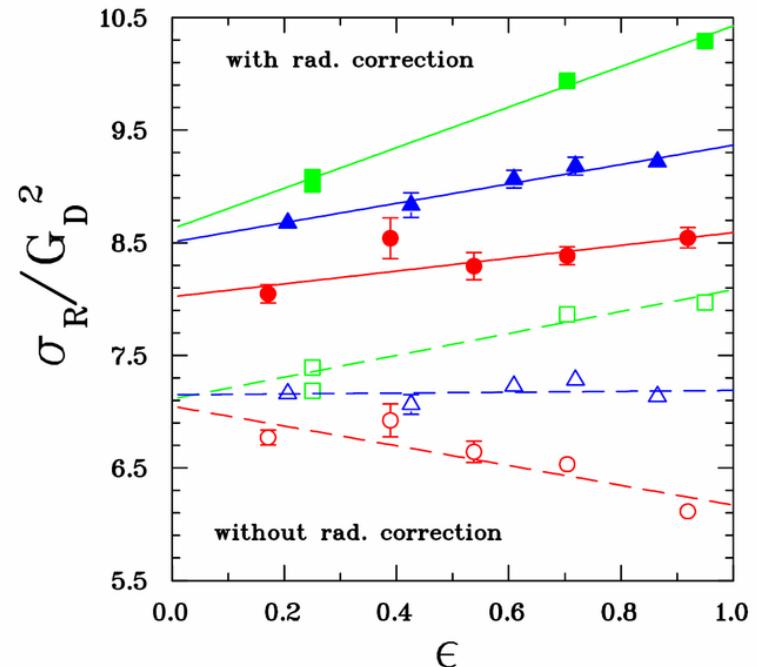
# Nucleon form factor measurements

- Rosenbluth separation

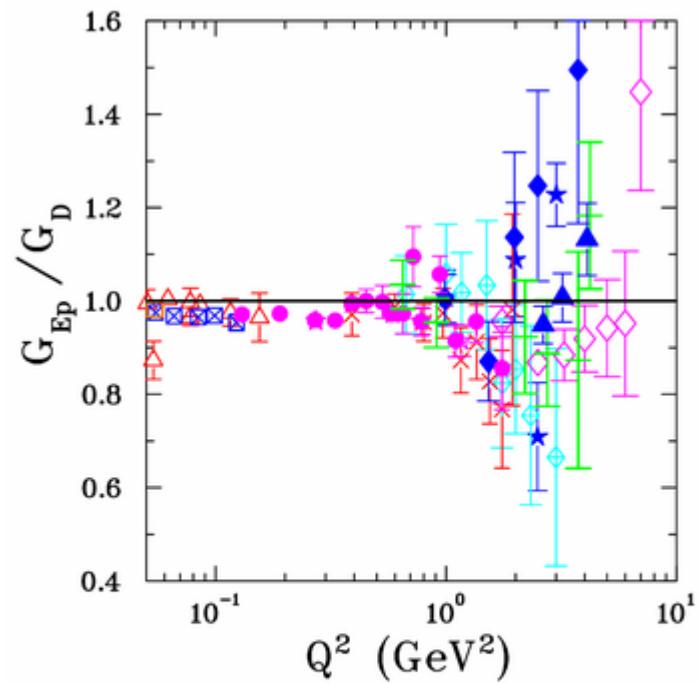
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 E_e' \cos^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2}}{4E_e^3 \sin^4 \frac{\theta_e}{2}} \left[ G_e^2 + \frac{\tau}{\varepsilon} G_m^2 \right] \left( \frac{1}{1+\tau} \right)$$

$$\sigma_R = \varepsilon / \tau (G_E^2 + G_M^2)$$

- Fix  $Q^2$ , measure cross section as function of polarization  $\varepsilon$
- Linear fit: Slope and offset give elastic form factors
- Problems:
  - Cross section measurement limited by systematics
  - Polarization-dependent modification due to >1 photon contributions
  - $G_M$  term dominates at large  $Q^2$  (poor determination of  $G_E$ )

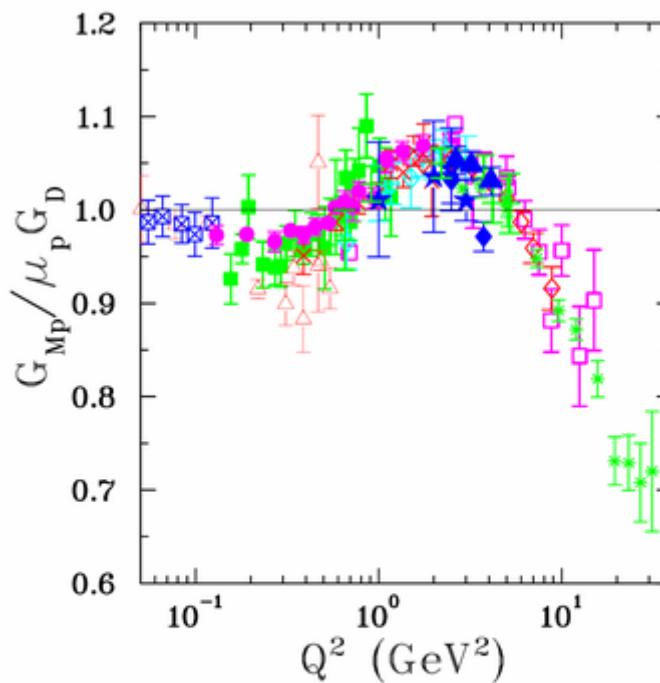


# Rosenbluth separation – form factors



$\triangle$  Hand  
 $\blacklozenge$  Litt  
 $\bullet$  Price  
 $\times$  Berger  
 $\diamond$  Bartel  
 $\star$  Hanson

$\square$  Borkowski  
 $\square$  Simon  
 $\diamond$  Andivahis  
 $\star$  Walker  
 $+$  Christy  
 $\blacktriangle$  Qattan

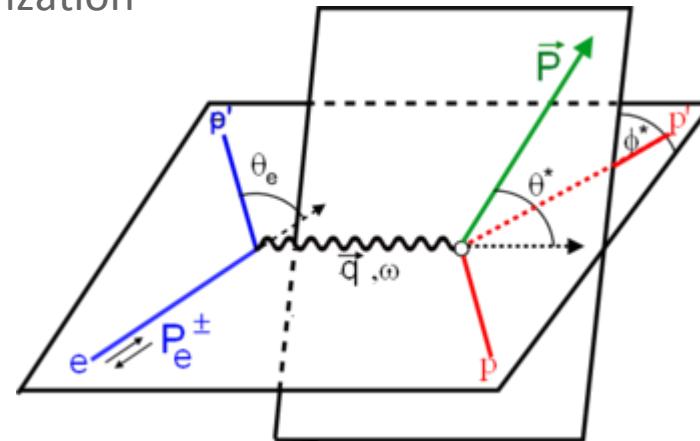
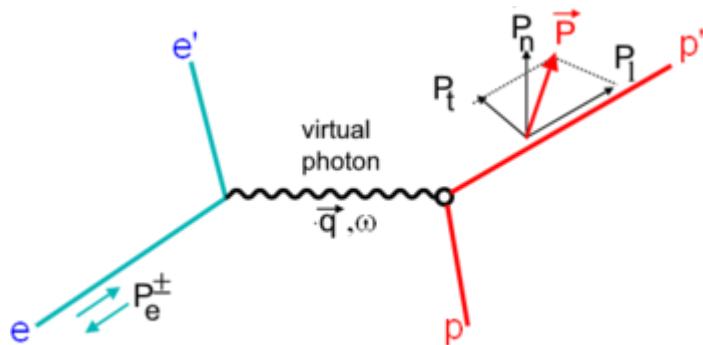


$\triangle$  Hand  
 $\blacklozenge$  Janssens  
 $\square$  Coward  
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# Nucleon form factor measurements

- Polarization measurements
  - First proposed by A.I.Akhiezer et al, Sov.Phys.JETP 6, 588 (1958)
  - First used at MIT-Bates by Milbrath et al., Phys.Rev.Lett.80, 452 (1998)
- A polarized electron will transfer its polarization to the recoil nucleon
  - Measuring the recoil nucleon polarization

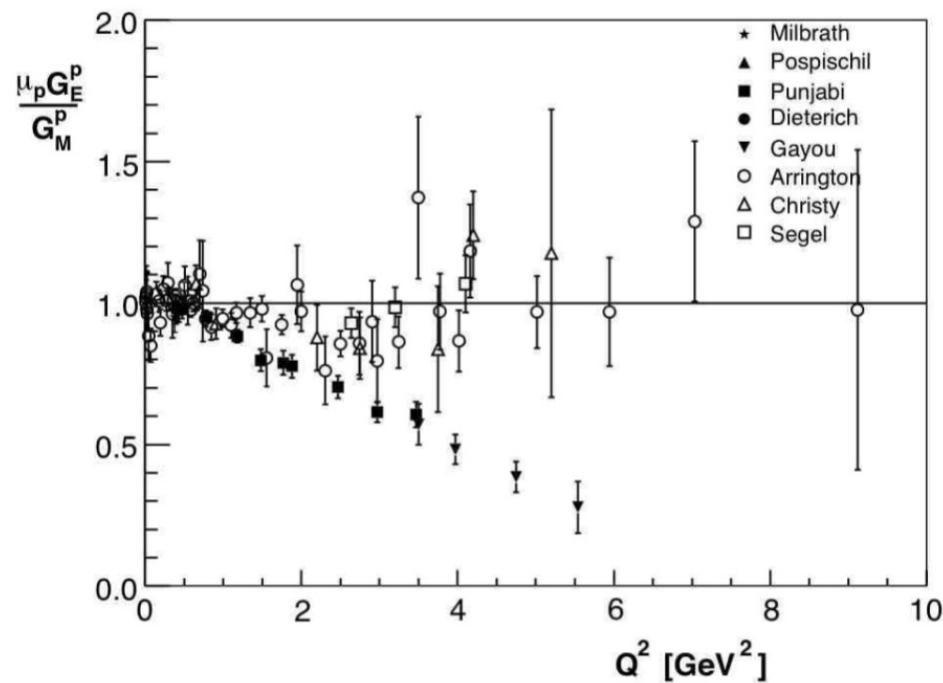


$$\frac{G_e}{G_m} = -\frac{P_t}{P_l} \frac{(E_e + E_{e'})}{2M} \tan\left(\frac{\theta_e}{2}\right)$$

Recent experiments at JLAB (Hall A)  $\rightarrow Q^2 < \sim 6 \text{ GeV}^2$   
 • M.K.Jones et al., Phys.Rev.Lett.84, 1398 (2000)  
 • O.Gayou et.al., Phys.Rev.Lett.88,092301 (2002)

- Equivalently: measure the polarized electron asymmetry in scattering off polarized targets

# ‘Rosenbluth’ & ‘Polarization’ Results: GEp/GMp



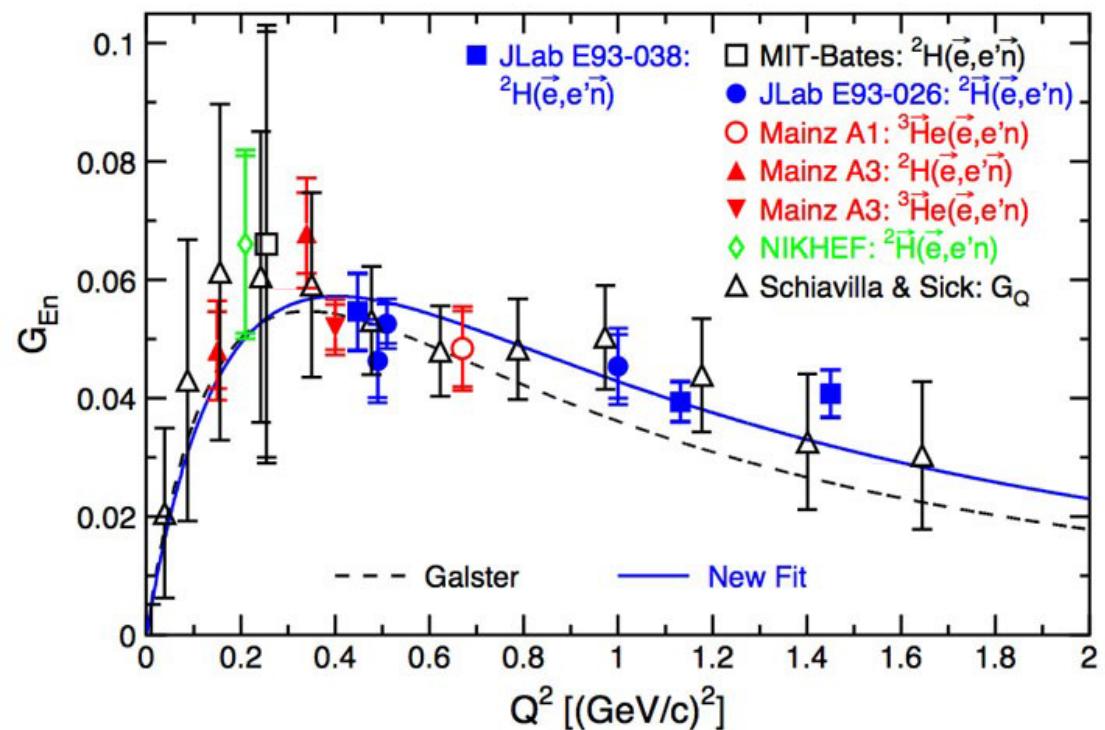
Form factor scaling ?

Hyde-Wright and De Jagger, Ann.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci 2004 54:217

- Polarization measurements (closed markers)
- Rosenbluth measurements
- Include:
  - Arrington et al re-analysis of SLAC data Phys.Rev.C 68: 034325 (2003)
  - Christy et al re-analysis of JLAB data Phys.Rev.C70:015206 (2004)
  - Results from a new JLAB experiment @ Hall A Qattan et al, PRL94:142301(2005)
- Methods self-consistent
  - but disagree with each-other
- Polarization results seen more reliable
  - 2 photon contributions at Rosenbluth?

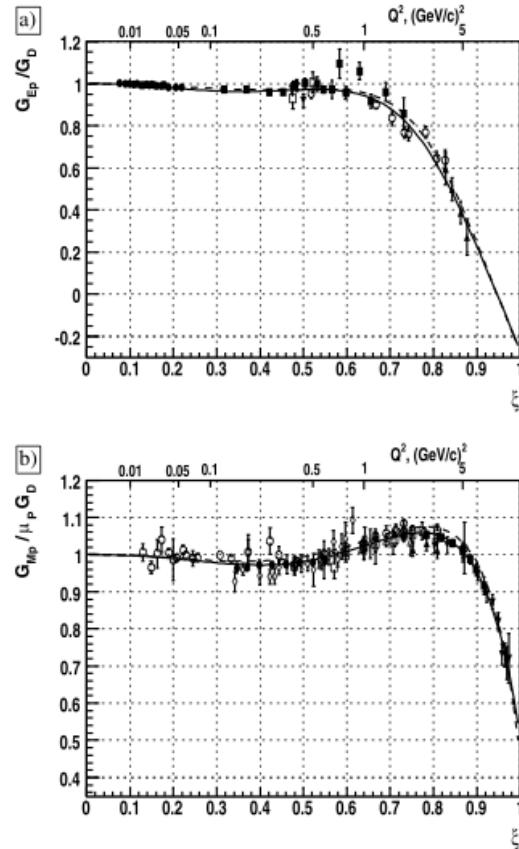
GEp decreases with Q<sup>2</sup>  
faster than dipole  
form factors

# Recent Results: $G_{En}$



- H. Zhu et al., PRL 87 (2001) 081801  
R. Madey et al., PRL 91 (2003) 122002  
G. Warren et al., PRL 92 (2004) 042301  
B. Plaster et al., PRC 73 (2006) 025205

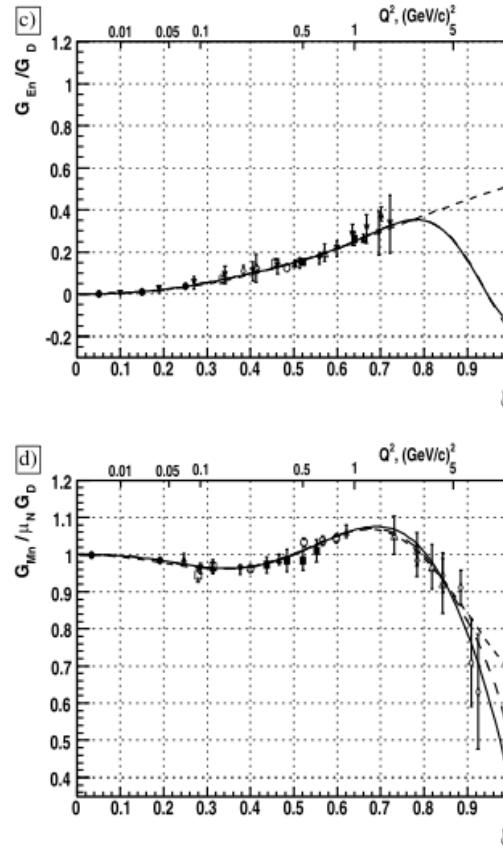
# New form factor parametrizations



Bodek, Bradford, Budd, Avvakumov, Eur.Phys.J.C53:349-354,2008

$$G(Q^2) = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^n a_\tau \tau^k}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^n b_\tau \tau^k}, \quad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2},$$

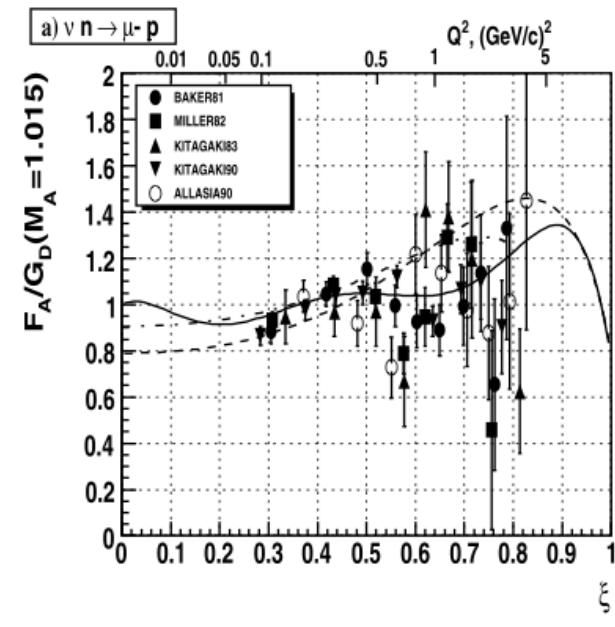
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## Improving accuracy of vN CCQE

- BBBA07, Eur.Phys.J.C53:349-354,2008.
- BBA05, Nucl.Phys.B. 159 (2006)
- J.J.Kelly, PRC 70, 068202 (2004)

## Re-extraction of axial form factor



# Resonant region W<1.9 GeV

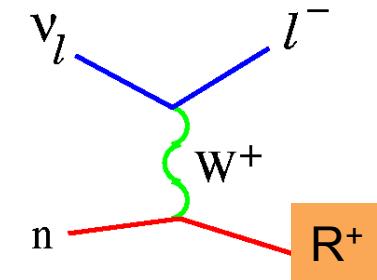
- Charge Current

$$\begin{aligned}\nu + p &\rightarrow \mu^- + (\Delta^{++} \hookrightarrow p + \pi^+) \\ \nu + n &\rightarrow \mu^- + (\Delta^+ \hookrightarrow p + \pi^0) \\ \nu + n &\rightarrow \mu^- + (\Delta^+ \hookrightarrow n + \pi^+)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\nu} + p &\rightarrow \mu^+ + (\Delta^0 \hookrightarrow n + \pi^0) \\ \bar{\nu} + p &\rightarrow \mu^+ + (\Delta^0 \hookrightarrow p + \pi^-) \\ \bar{\nu} + n &\rightarrow \mu^+ + (\Delta^- \hookrightarrow n + \pi^-)\end{aligned}$$

- Neutral Current

$$\begin{aligned}\nu(\bar{\nu}) + p &\rightarrow \nu(\bar{\nu}) + (\Delta^+ \hookrightarrow p + \pi^0) \\ \nu(\bar{\nu}) + p &\rightarrow \nu(\bar{\nu}) + (\Delta^+ \hookrightarrow n + \pi^+) \\ \nu(\bar{\nu}) + n &\rightarrow \nu(\bar{\nu}) + (\Delta^0 \hookrightarrow p + \pi^-) \\ \nu(\bar{\nu}) + n &\rightarrow \nu(\bar{\nu}) + (\Delta^0 \hookrightarrow n + \pi^0)\end{aligned}$$



# Cross section

- In the Rarita-Swinger formalism

— Hadronic current       $\langle \Delta^{++} | J^\nu | p \rangle = \sqrt{3} \bar{\psi}_\lambda(P) d^{\lambda\nu} u(p),$

$$\begin{aligned} d^{\lambda\nu} &= g^{\lambda\nu} \left[ \frac{C_3^V}{M} \not{q} + \frac{C_4^V}{M^2} (Pq) + \frac{C_5^V}{M^2} (pq) + C_6^V \right] \gamma_5 - q^\lambda \left[ \frac{C_3^V}{M} \gamma^\nu + \frac{C_4^V}{M^2} P^\nu + \frac{C_5^V}{M^2} p^\nu \right] \gamma_5 \\ &+ g^{\lambda\nu} \left[ \frac{C_3^A}{M} \not{q} + \frac{C_4^A}{M^2} (Pq) \right] - q^\lambda \left[ \frac{C_3^A}{M} \gamma^\nu + \frac{C_4^A}{M^2} P^\nu \right] + g^{\lambda\nu} C_5^A + q^\lambda q^\nu \frac{C_6^A}{M^2} \end{aligned} \quad (2.136)$$

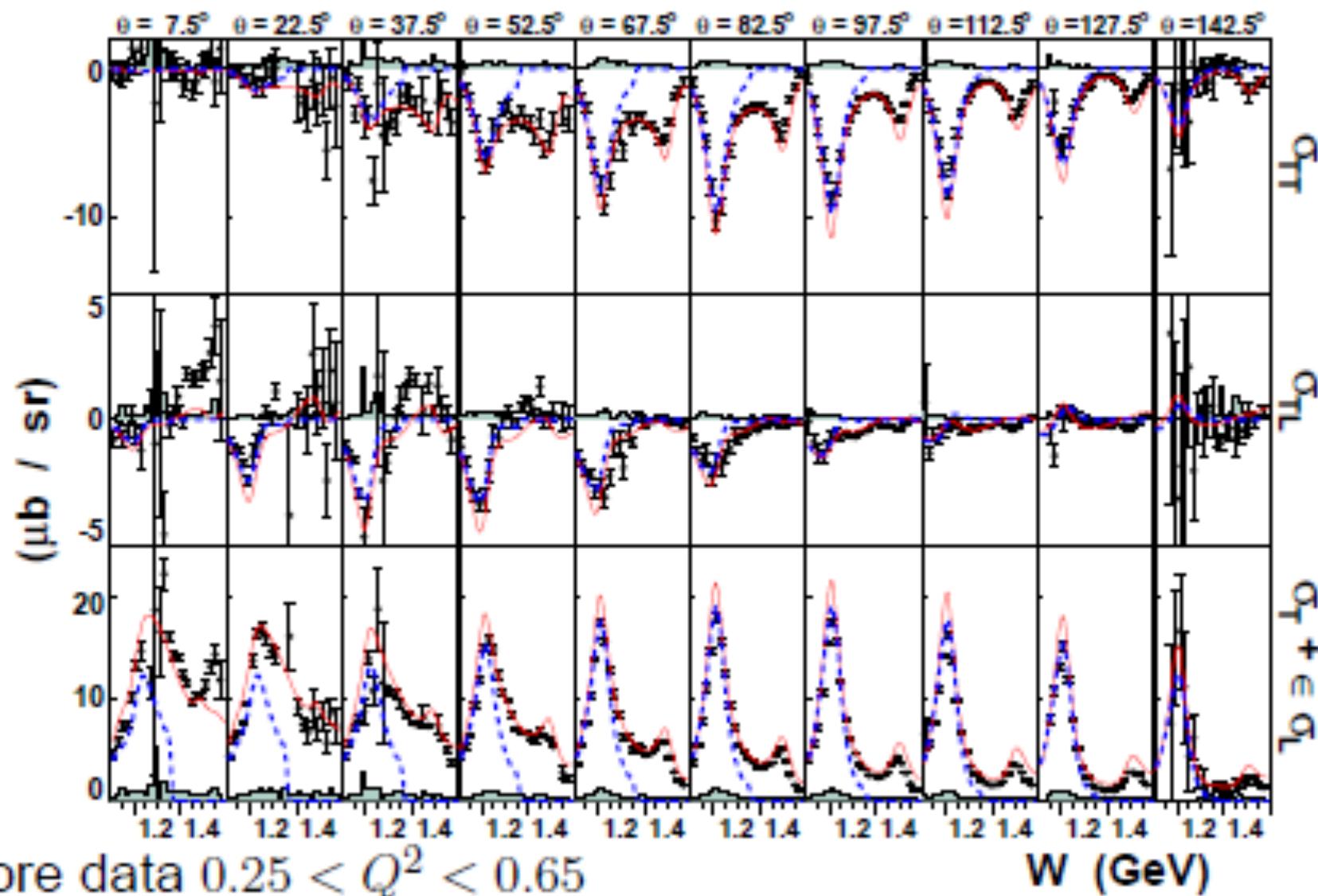
— Hadronic tensor       $H_\Delta^{\nu\mu} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left[ (\not{p} + M) \tilde{d}^\nu{}^\alpha \Lambda_{\alpha\beta} \not{d}^{\beta\mu} \right], \quad \tilde{d}_{\nu\alpha} = \gamma_0 d_{\nu\alpha}^\dagger \gamma_0.$

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—  $\Lambda_{\alpha\beta}$  is a projection operator for spin 3/2

$$\Lambda_{\alpha\beta} = - \left( \gamma^\mu P_\mu + \sqrt{P^2} \right) \left( g_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{P_\alpha P_\beta}{P^2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{P_\alpha \gamma_\beta - P_\beta \gamma_\alpha}{\sqrt{P^2}} - \frac{1}{3} \gamma_\alpha \gamma_\beta \right).$$

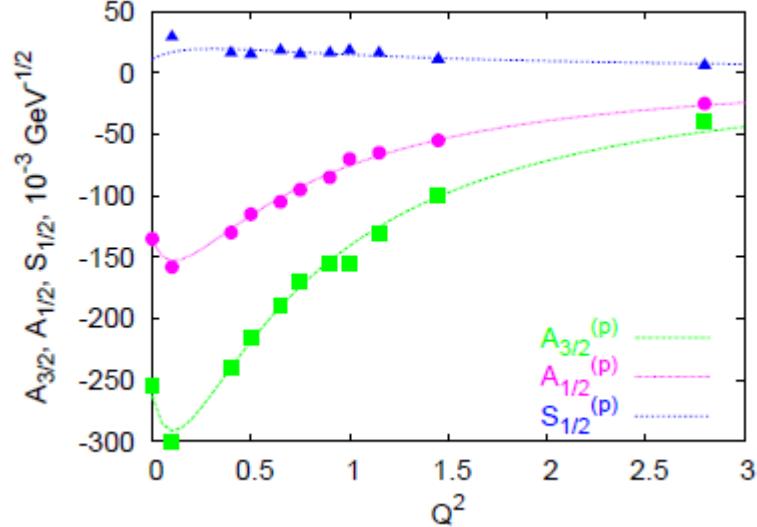
# CLAS data, $p(e, e'n)\pi^+$ , $Q^2 = 0.3$



Comparison to MAID2003, Sato-Lee models.

# Cross section

- Vector form factor  $C_i^V$  are related to the EM form factors
- Paschos-Lalakulich model tuned to agree with MAID wrt  $\Delta(1232)$  helicity amplitudes.



$$C_3^V = \frac{2.13}{D_V} \cdot \frac{1}{1+Q^2/4M_V^2}$$

$$C_4^V = \frac{-1.5}{D_V} \cdot \frac{1}{1+Q^2/4M_V^2},$$

$$C_5^V = \frac{-0.58}{D_V} \cdot \frac{1}{1+Q^2/0.76M_V^2}$$

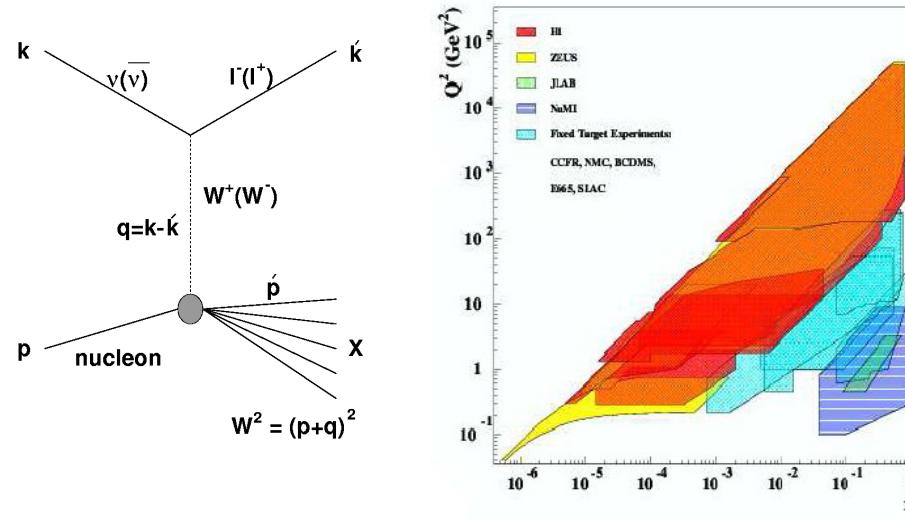
where

$$D_V = (1 + Q^2/0.71 \text{ GeV}^2)^2$$

Coincide with the "magnetic dominance" values with 4% accuracy

# Neutrino DIS scattering: Formalism

$$\frac{1}{E_\nu} \frac{d^2\sigma^{v|\bar{v}|}}{dxdy} = \frac{G_F^2 M}{\pi |1+Q^2/M_W^2|^2} \left[ \left( 1 - y - \frac{Mxy}{2E_\nu} + \frac{y^2}{2} \frac{1+4M^2x^2/Q^2}{1+R(x,Q^2)} \right) F_2^{v|\bar{v}|} \pm \left( y - \frac{y^2}{2} \right) x F_3^{v|\bar{v}|} \right]$$



F2, xF3 combinations of PDFs:  
in LO:

$$F_1(x, Q^2) = \sum_{i=u,d,\dots} [q_i(x) + \bar{q}_i(x)]$$

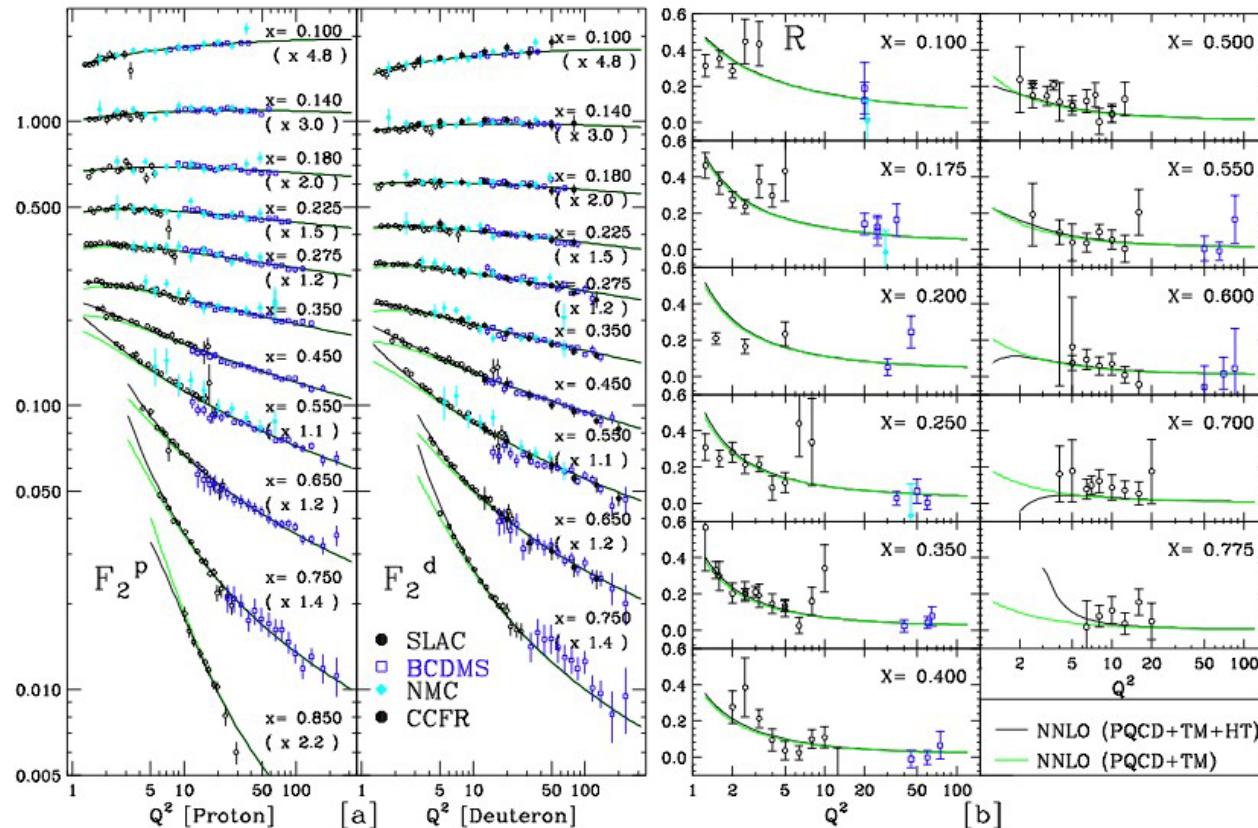
$$F_2(x, Q^2) = 2x \sum_{i=u,d,\dots} [q_i(x) + \bar{q}_i(x)]$$

$$F_3(x, Q^2) = 2x \sum_{i=u,d,\dots} [q_i(x) - \bar{q}_i(x)]$$

$$R = \frac{\sigma_L}{\sigma_T}$$

$$R = \frac{F_L}{2xF_1} = \frac{F_2}{2xF_1} \left( 1 + Q^2/\nu^2 \right) - 1,$$

# 'The triumph of NNLO pQCD' \*



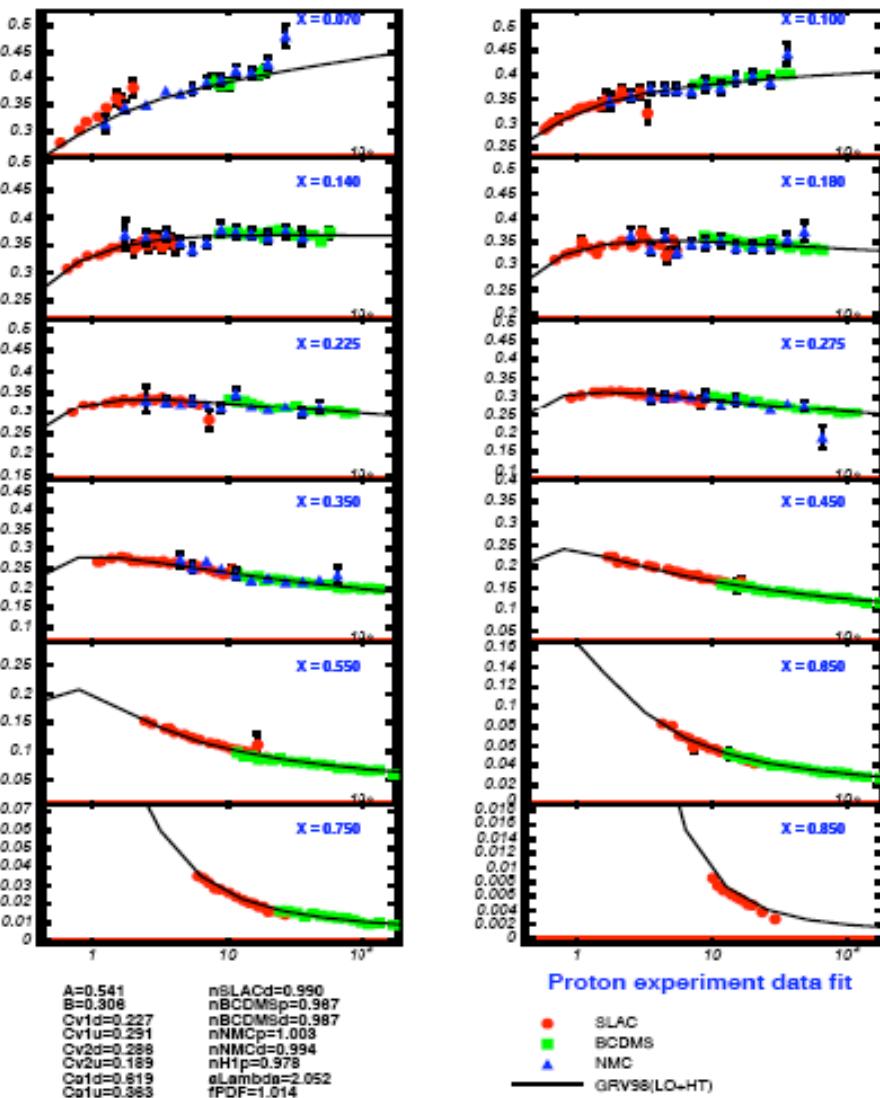
Next to next to leading order  
(NNLO) perturbative QCD  
with target-mass corrections

Shown data from  

- SLAC
- BCDMS
- NMC

Plot & remark from A.Bodek's Panofsky prize 2004 talk,  
Nucl.Phys.Proc.Supp.139:165-192,2005

# Effective LO models for Monte Carlos



Effective model for Monte Carlos

LO pdfs (GRV98LO)

New scaling variable

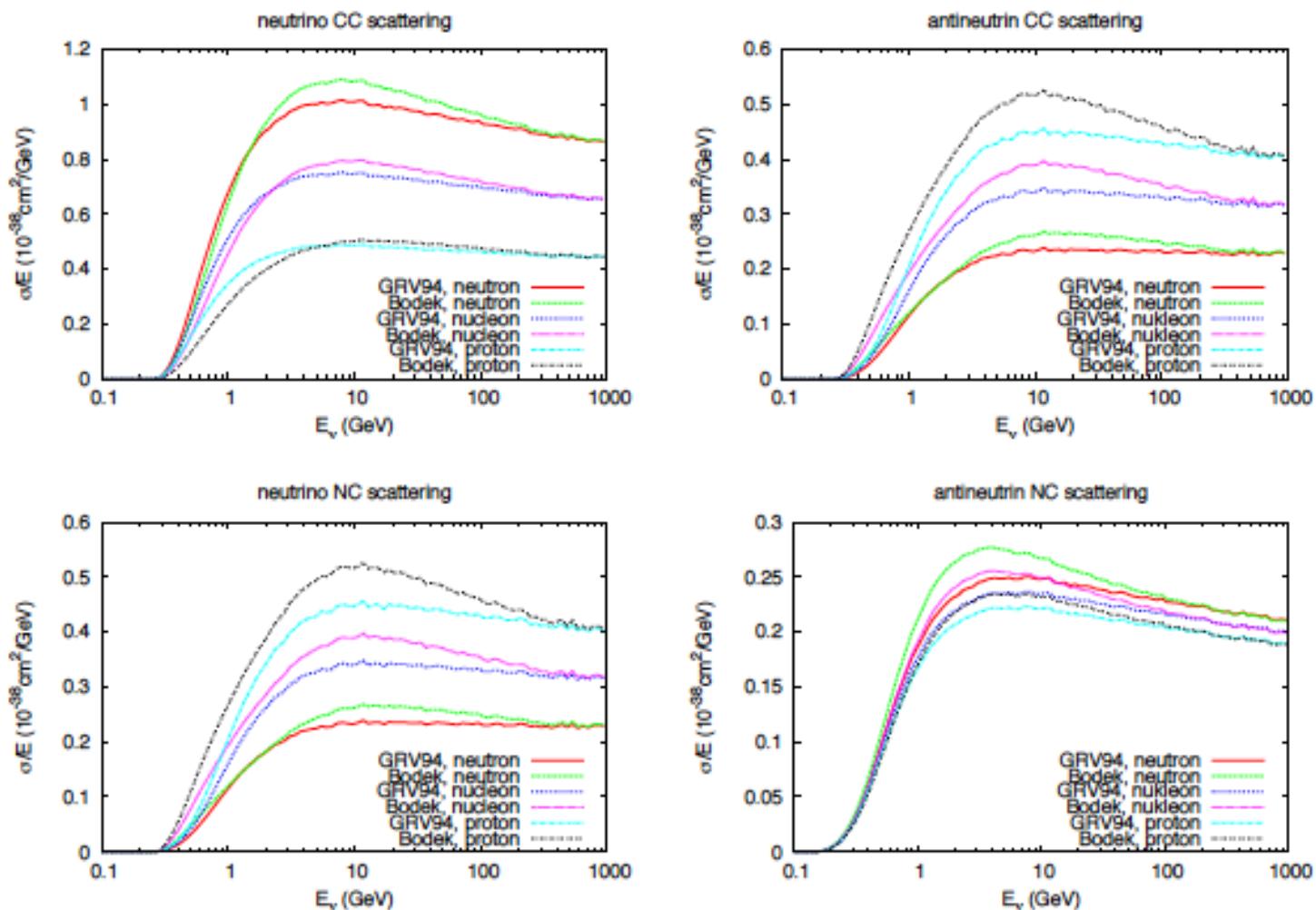
$$\xi_w = \frac{2x(Q^2 + M_f^2 + B)}{Q^2[1 + \sqrt{1 + (2Mx)^2/Q^2}] + 2Ax}$$

absorbs TM, HT, higher order corrections

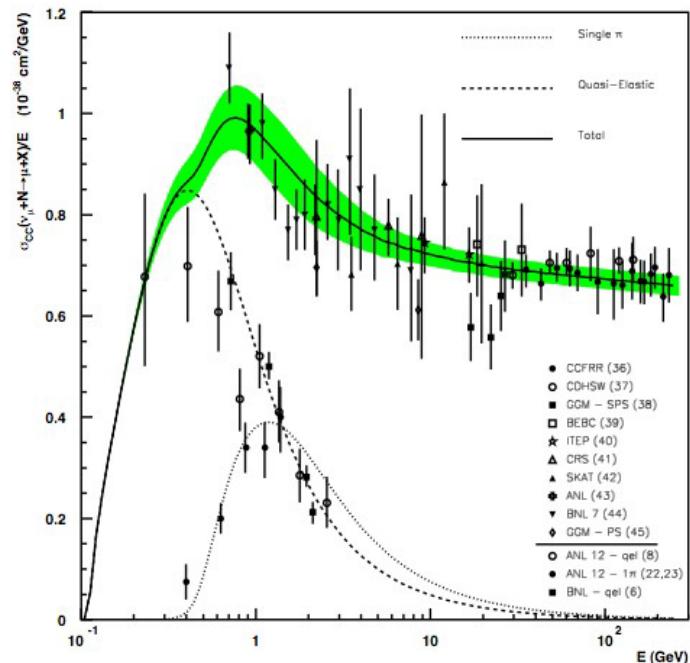
“K factors” for valence & sea PDFs

Bodek and Yang, Nucl.Phys.Proc.Supp.139:113-118,2005

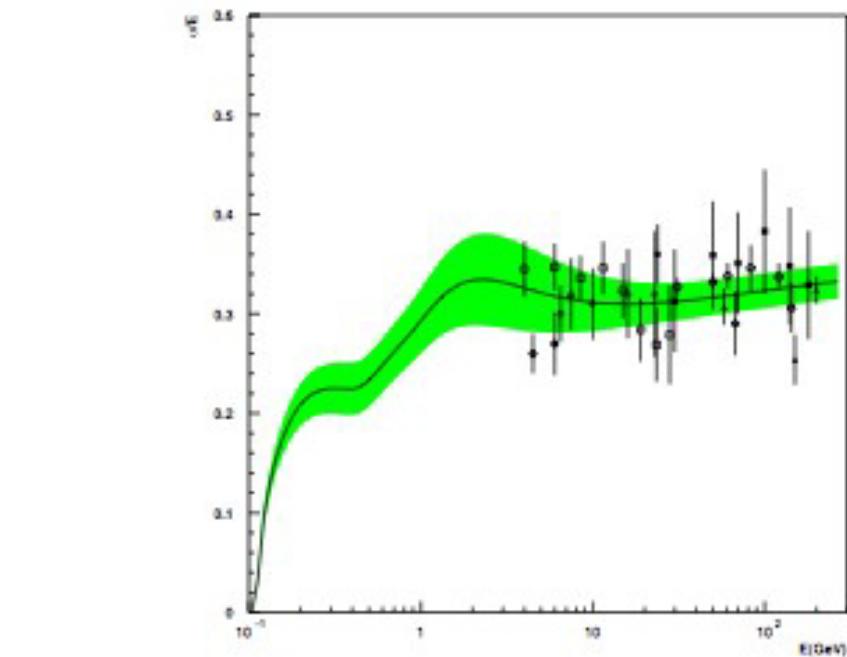
# New PDFs with Bodek-Yang modifications for structure functions



# Application to MINOS



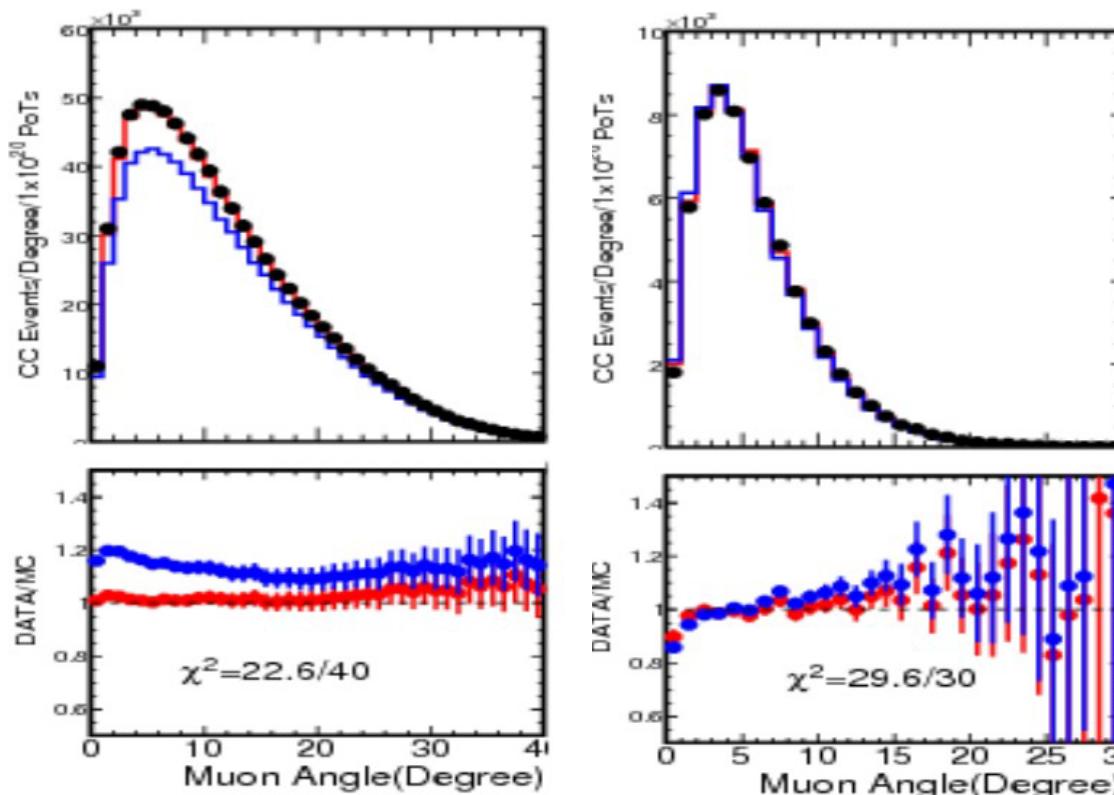
R at low  $Q^2$  ?



$x F_3 \rightarrow \xi_\omega F_3$

Tuning factor: asymptotic cross section ( $x \sim 1.032$ )

# Experience from MINOS



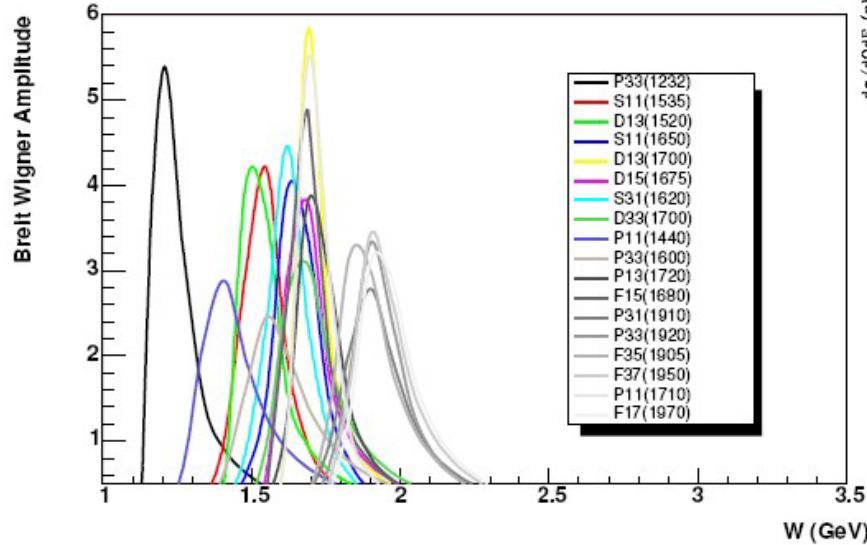
- Measured muon angle →
- Sensitive to  $x, Q^2$  distributions
- **Excellent agreement with data**

Debdatta Bhattacharya (Pittsburgh U.)  
FERMILAB-THESIS-2009-11, Mar 2009

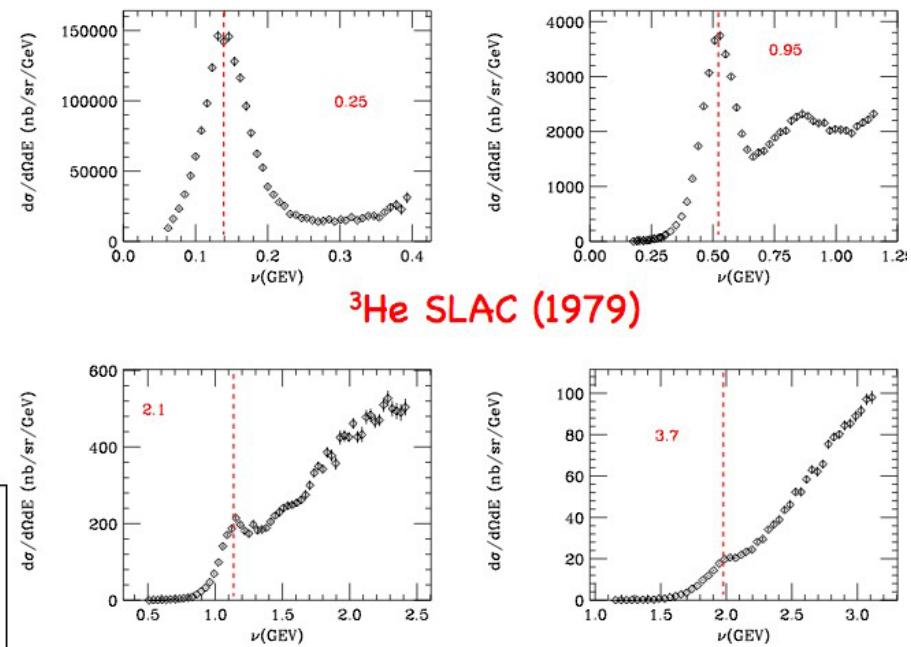
# QE → DIS

Transition from vQE → vDIS difficult to model

- ~18 baryon resonances up to  $W = 2$  GeV
- Non-resonance backgrounds

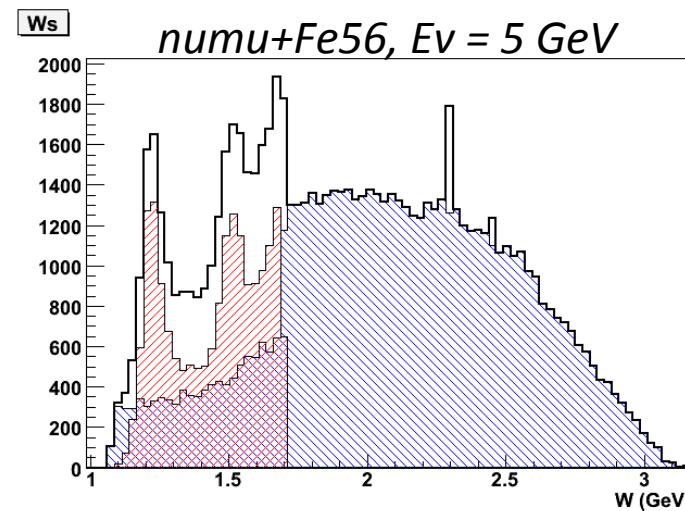


Transition from QE → DIS has been mapped out in detail using electron scattering data



# Cross section tuning in the $\sim$ GeV range

- Duality-inspired Bodek-Yang model: Valid all the way down to photo-production threshold.
- Includes resonances 'on average'
- No resonance structure but, for nuclear targets, structure largely washed-out due to Fermi motion
- Many potential options available for vMC's:
  - QE + BodekYang ( $W > M_{\text{Nuc}}$ )
  - QE + Delta + BodekYang ( $W > M_{\Delta} + \text{width}$ )
  - QE + Delta + higher RES + non RES bkg +  
+ BodekYang ( $W > \sim 2 \text{ GeV}$ )

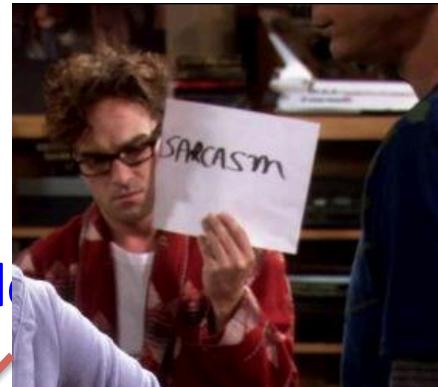


## *From free nucleon to nuclear targets*

- Scattering is smeared by Fermi motion (large x)
- Internal structure of nucleons modified by medium (e.g. EMC effect)
- Nucleons can shadow each other at low Q<sub>2</sub> ( small x)
- For QE scattering at very low Q<sub>2</sub> there should be Pauli suppression since final state cannot occupy the same state as the other nucleon(Q<sub>2</sub><0.1GeV<sup>2</sup>)
- For QE transverse scattering (magnetic) there can be scattering from additional current in the nucleus (e.g MEC)
- For QE longitudinal (electric) scattering - since charge is conserved the integral over longitudinal scattering should be conserved -besides the small distortion of the internal structure (form factor), and Pauli suppression (Q<sub>2</sub><0.1 GeV<sup>2</sup>)

**Electron scattering data can be used to study all of these nuclear effects**

# Nuclear structure



## Electron-scattering is ideal for studying nuclei

- Interaction well understood (QED)
- Electron is a 'weak probe': Virtual photon doesn't disturb the nuclear target (even at large Q<sup>2</sup>)

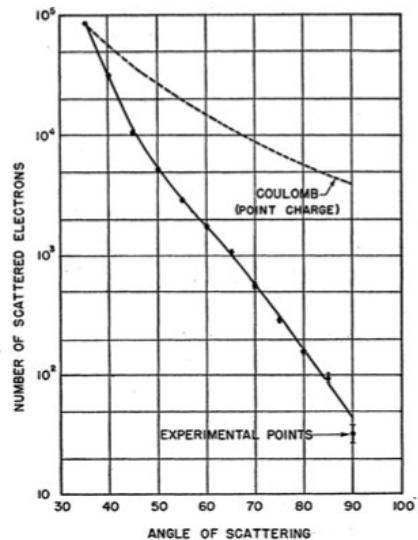


FIG. 3. Typical angular distribution obtained at 116 Mev with a 0.002-inch gold foil. The gold foil was oriented at 45° with respect to the incident beam for all angular settings of the spectrometer magnet.

## Scattering of High-Energy Electrons and the Method of Nuclear Recoil\*†

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(Received April 29, 1953)

**I**N an effort to exhibit the finite dimensions and charge distribution within atomic nuclei, an electron scattering program has been initiated. The external electron beam of the Stanford

Phys. Rev. 91, 422 - 423 (1953)

# Mapping out the nuclear structure

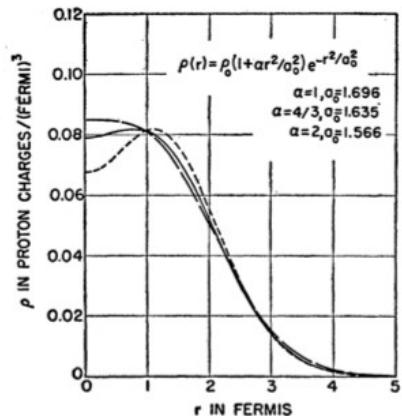


FIG. 36. The charge distribution for Model XI for three values of  $\alpha$ . All three charge distributions fit the experimental data equivalently.  $\alpha=4/3$  has some theoretical justification.

## Charge distributions

$$k_F = \left( \frac{3\pi^2}{2} \rho \right)^{1/3}$$

R.Hofstadter, Rev.Mod.Phys.28, 214 (1956)

## Energy levels

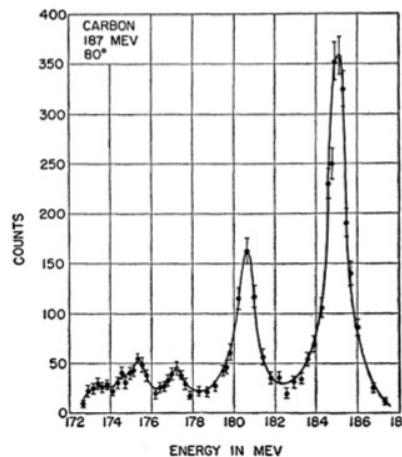


FIG. 11. The elastic scattering peak from carbon near 185 Mev and the inelastic scattering peaks from excited states of carbon.

**Nucleon momentum distributions via “electro-disintegration”**

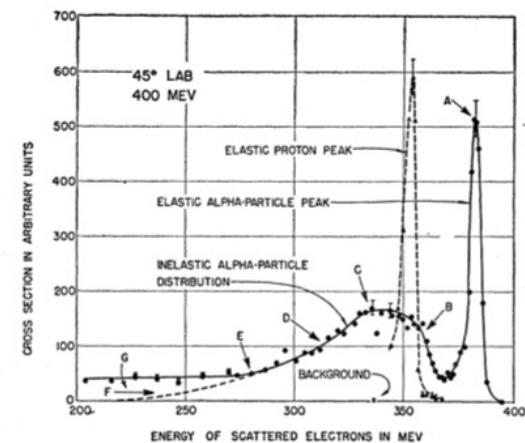
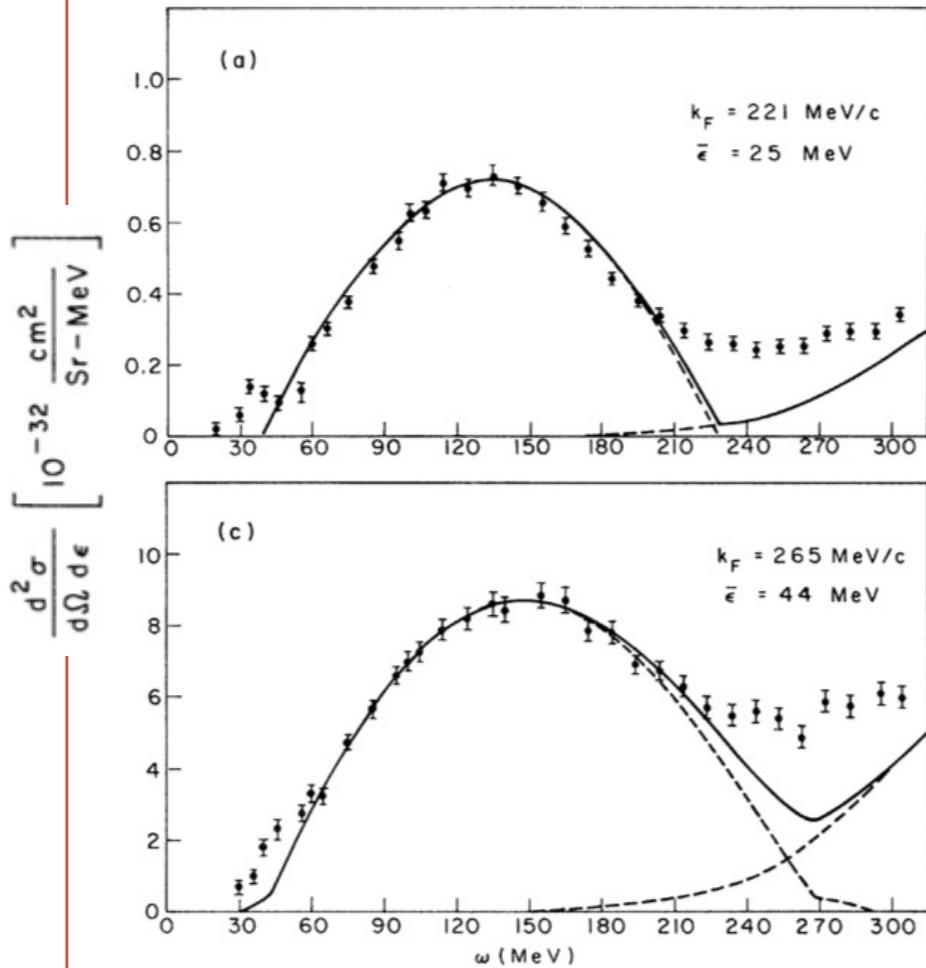


FIG. 12. Electrodisintegration of the alpha particle at 400 Mev

# Electron quasielastic data $\rightarrow k_F$ , epsilon



Moniz et al., Phys.Rev.Lett. 26 (1971)

Just as quasi-elastic scattering on quarks (DIS)  
 tells us about PDFs →  
**Quasi-elastic scattering on nucleons tells  
 us about the nucleon momentum  
 distributions**

Nucleus	$k_F$ (MeV/c) <sup>a</sup>	$\bar{\epsilon}$ (MeV) <sup>b</sup>
$^3\text{Li}^6$	169	17
$^6\text{C}^{12}$	221	25
$^{12}\text{Mg}^{24}$	235	32
$^{20}\text{Ca}^{40}$	251	28
$^{28}\text{Ni}^{58.7}$	260	36
$^{39}\text{Y}^{89}$	254	39
$^{50}\text{Sn}^{118.7}$	260	42
$^{73}\text{Ta}^{181}$	265	42
$^{82}\text{Pb}^{208}$	265	44

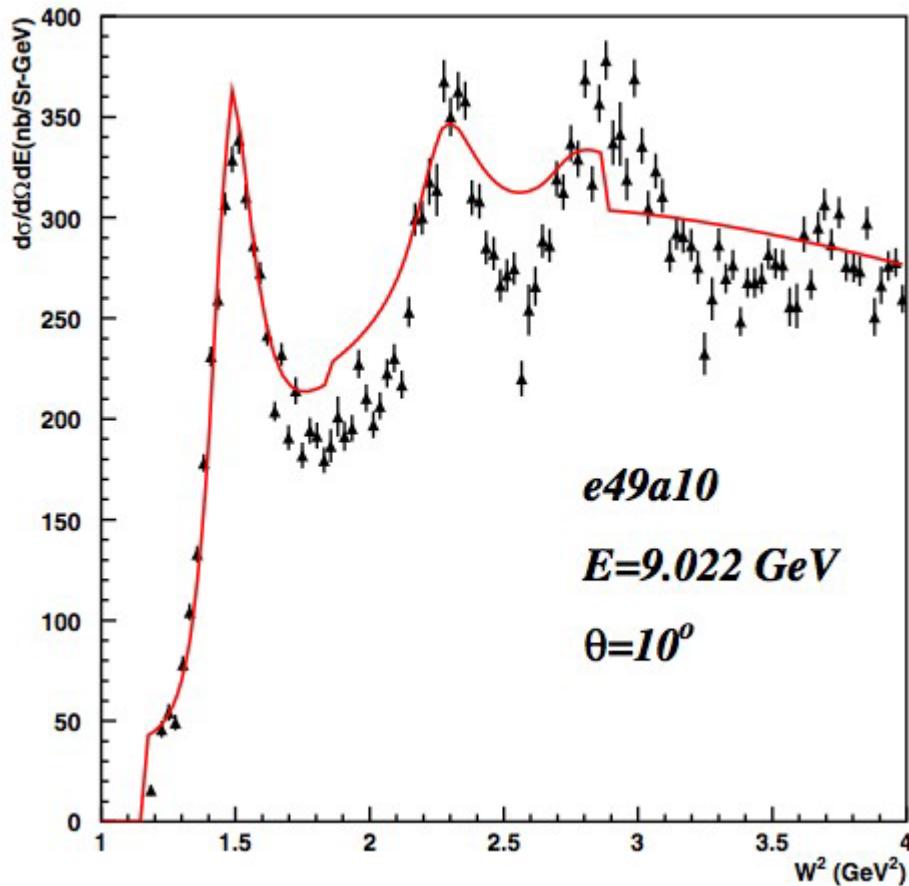
*Quasi-elastic electron scattering is the source  
 of all these “usual numbers” entering into the  
 FGM models of neutrino MCs.*

## Honorable mentions

- Electron scattering data is used in modelling other elements of neutrino cross section
  - Nuclear effects: Spectral Function, Local Density Approximation, Optical potential
  - Hadronization: creation of final state hadrons from the available hadronic invariant mass
  - Final State Interactions
  - ...

# backup

# Cross section tuning in the ~GeV range



- Gallagher, Nucl.Phys.B(Proc.Suppl.) 159 (2006) 229-234
- On MINOS (neugen3/GENIE) we exercised the various schemes using electron scattering data
- (then tuned selected scheme to world's total, exclusive 1pi and exclusive 2pi data)