Studying Nucleon Structure with Spin at BLAST

Overview

BLAST Experiment

Nucleon Form Factors

Deuterium

Nucleon Elastic Form Factors

Fundamental for understanding nucleon structure in non-perturbative regime.

Parameterises coherent scattering without exciting internal degrees of freedom with single photon exchange.

- for point-like, spin=1/2 particles QED gives:

$$\sigma_{Dirac} = \sigma_{Mott}\left(1 + 2\tau \tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

- for extended objects, like nucleons, require form factors:

$$\sigma_{lab} = \sigma_{Mott}\left[\left(\frac{{G_E^N}^2 + \tau {G_M^N}^2}{1+\tau}\right) + 2\tau {G_M^N}^2 \tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}\right]$$

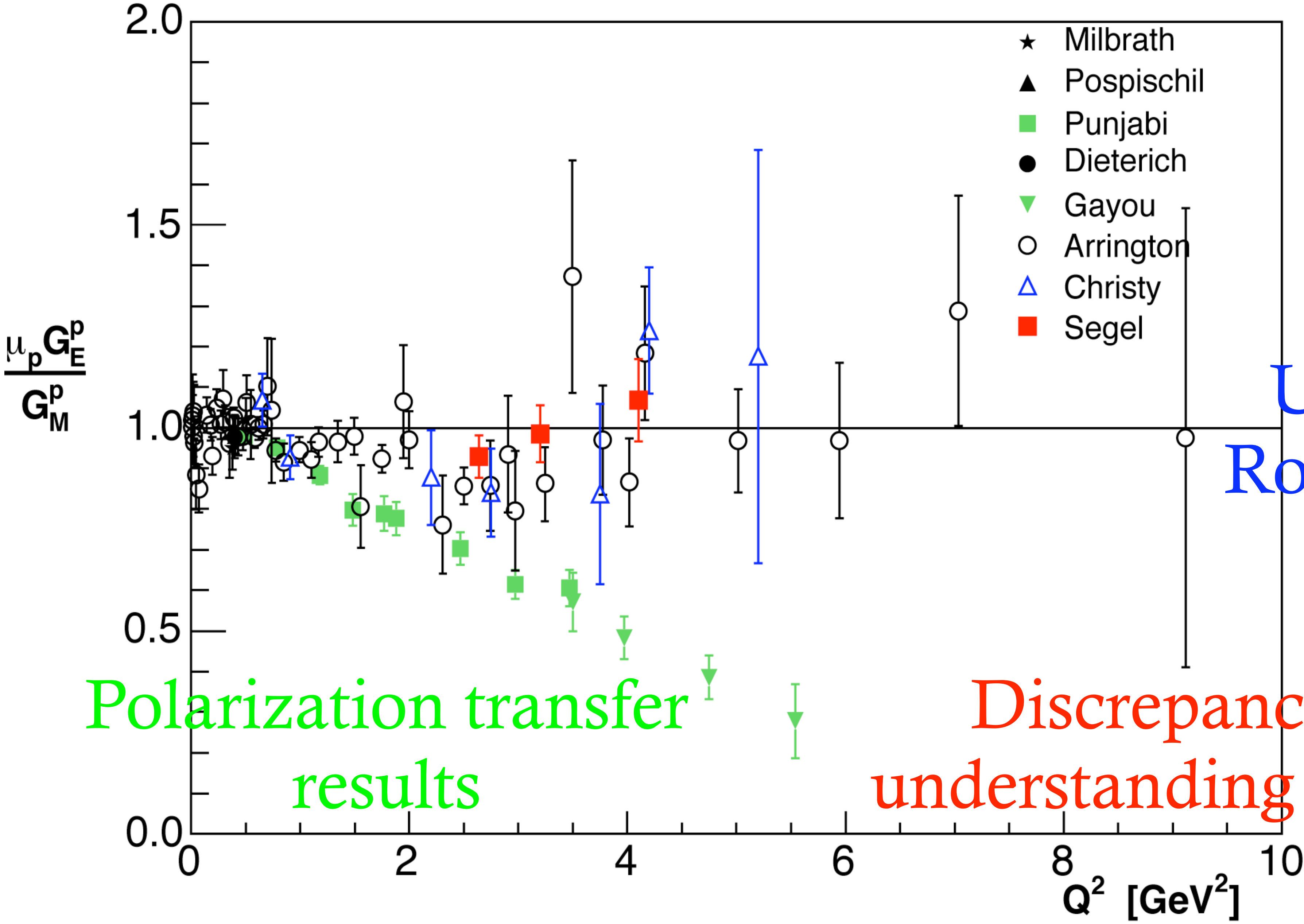
- traditionally measure using Rosenbluth technique

$$\sigma_{Rosenbluth} = \sigma_{Mott}\left(A^N(Q^2) + 2\tau B^N(Q^2)\tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

Discrepancy in Proton Form Factor Ratio

Polarization transfer results in striking discrepancy with unpolarized data

Possible explanation
- two photon contributions



Unpolarised results
Rosenbluth separation

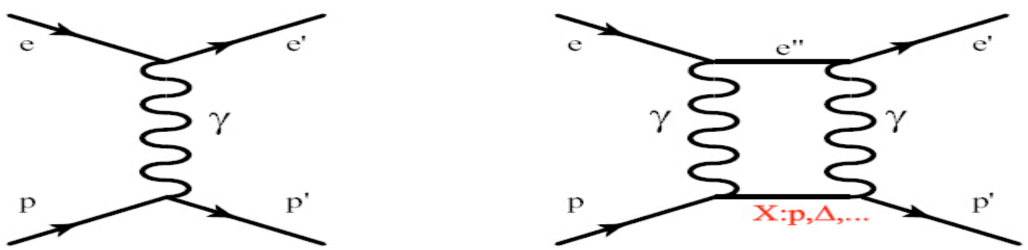
Polarization transfer results

Discrepancy fundamental to understanding of nucleon structure

Importance of Spin Measurements

JLAB results highlight the importance of using spin in studying nucleon structure

- more information
- more detailed information



A Definitive Experiment to Quantify Multi-photon Exchange in Lepton Scattering

M. Kohl, MIT

09:00 Thursday

Nucleon Elastic Form Factors

Parameterised as dipole distribution in momentum space.

- corresponds to a exponential distribution in position space
- single dipole describes G^p_E, G^p_M, and G^n_M
- G^n_E is the exception, order of magnitude smaller
  - traditionally hard to measure, small, no convenient neutron targets

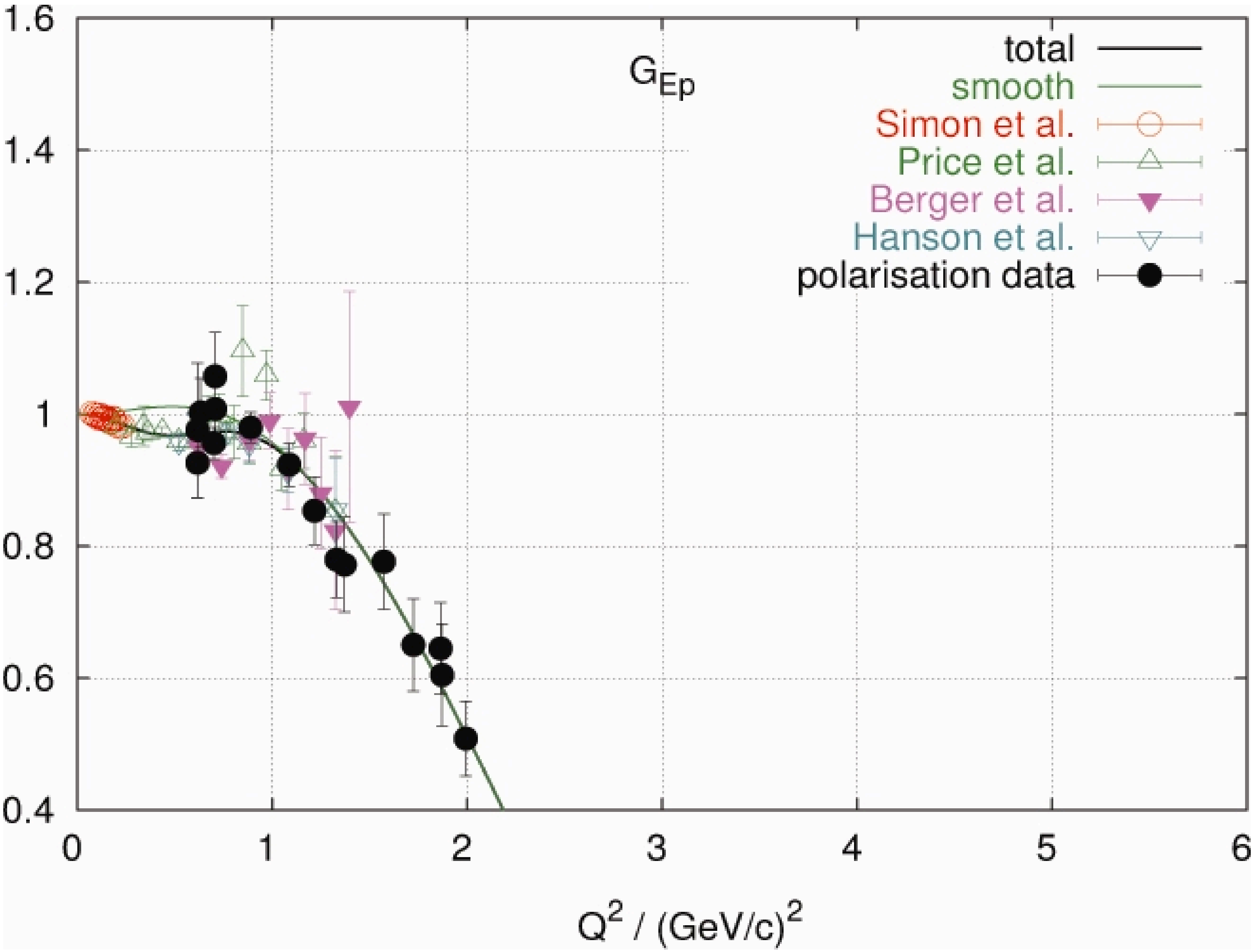
But dipole not perfect, does not describe details Q^2<1 (GeV/c)^2

Friedrich and Walcher have proposed a new parameterisation:

$$G^N(Q^2) = G^N_S(Q^2) + \alpha_B Q^2 G^N_B(Q^2)$$

  - S- smooth term of two dipoles
  - B - bump part of two gaussians
- fit to a collection of the world's data

Friedrich and Walcher Fit to G^p_E



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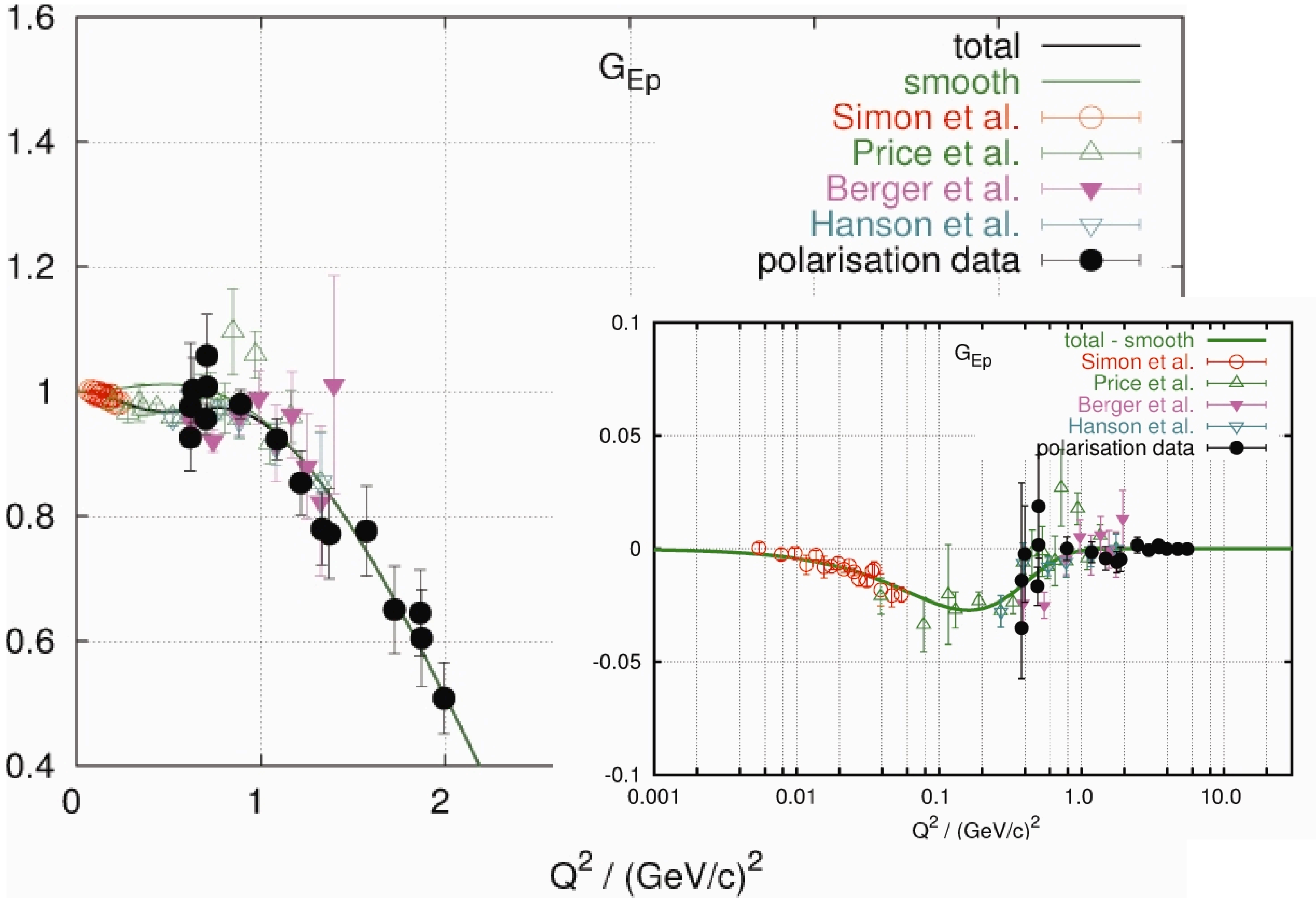

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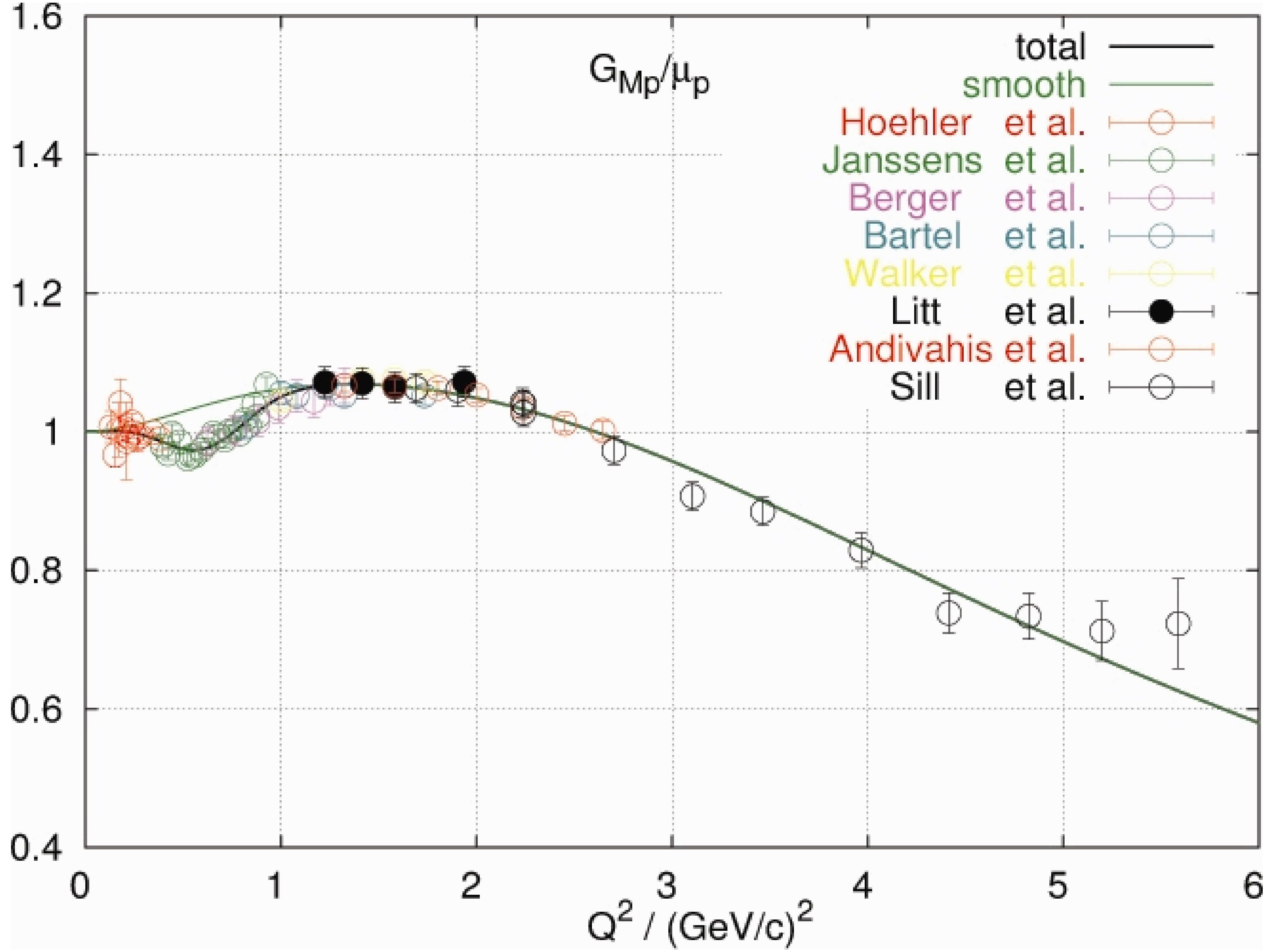

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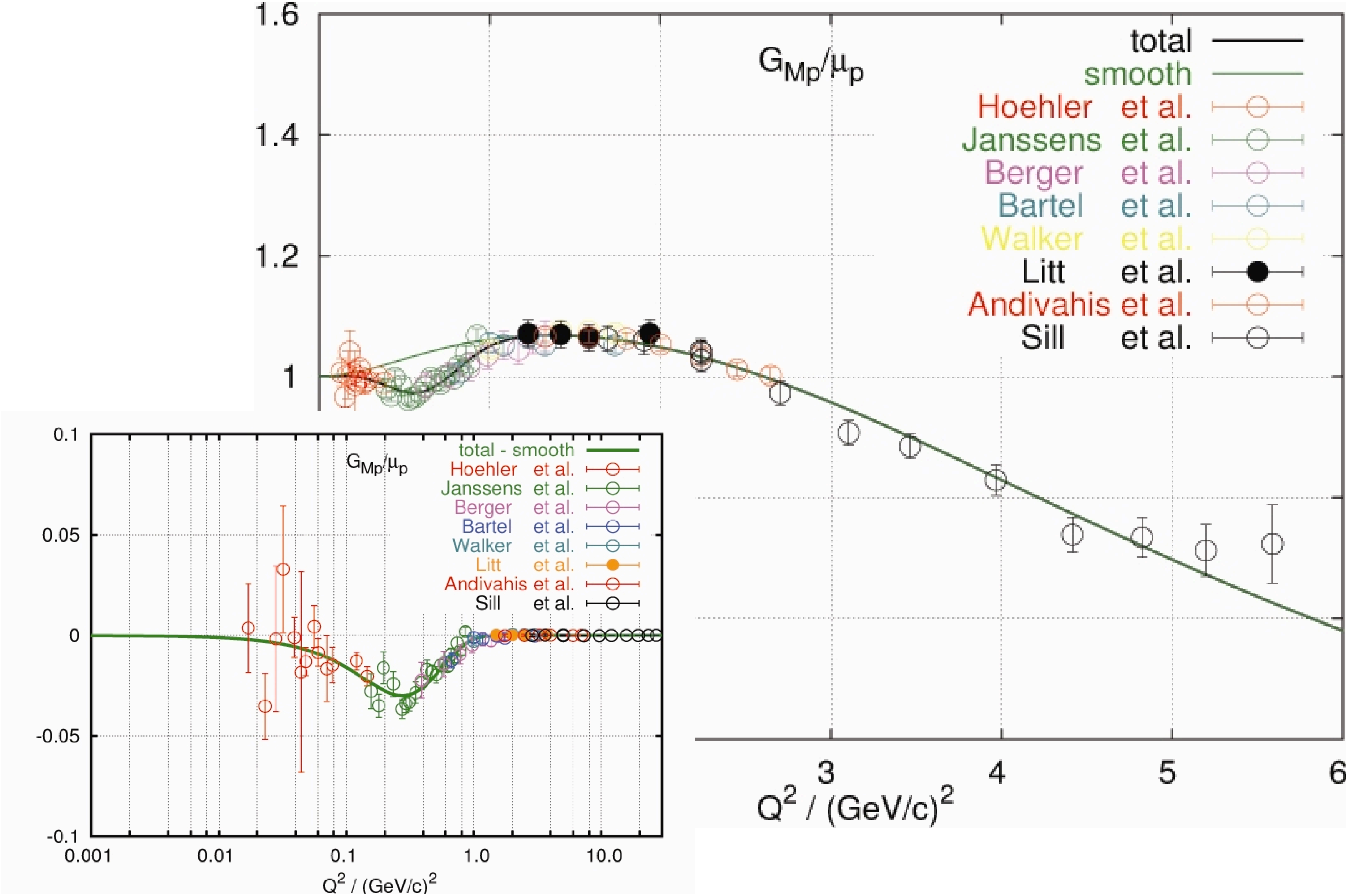


Bates Large Acceptance Spectrometer Toroid

Systematic study of spin-dependent electromagnetic interaction

Polarized electrons in MIT-Bates SHR storage ring

- 850 MeV, 200 mA (typical), 65% polarization (typical)

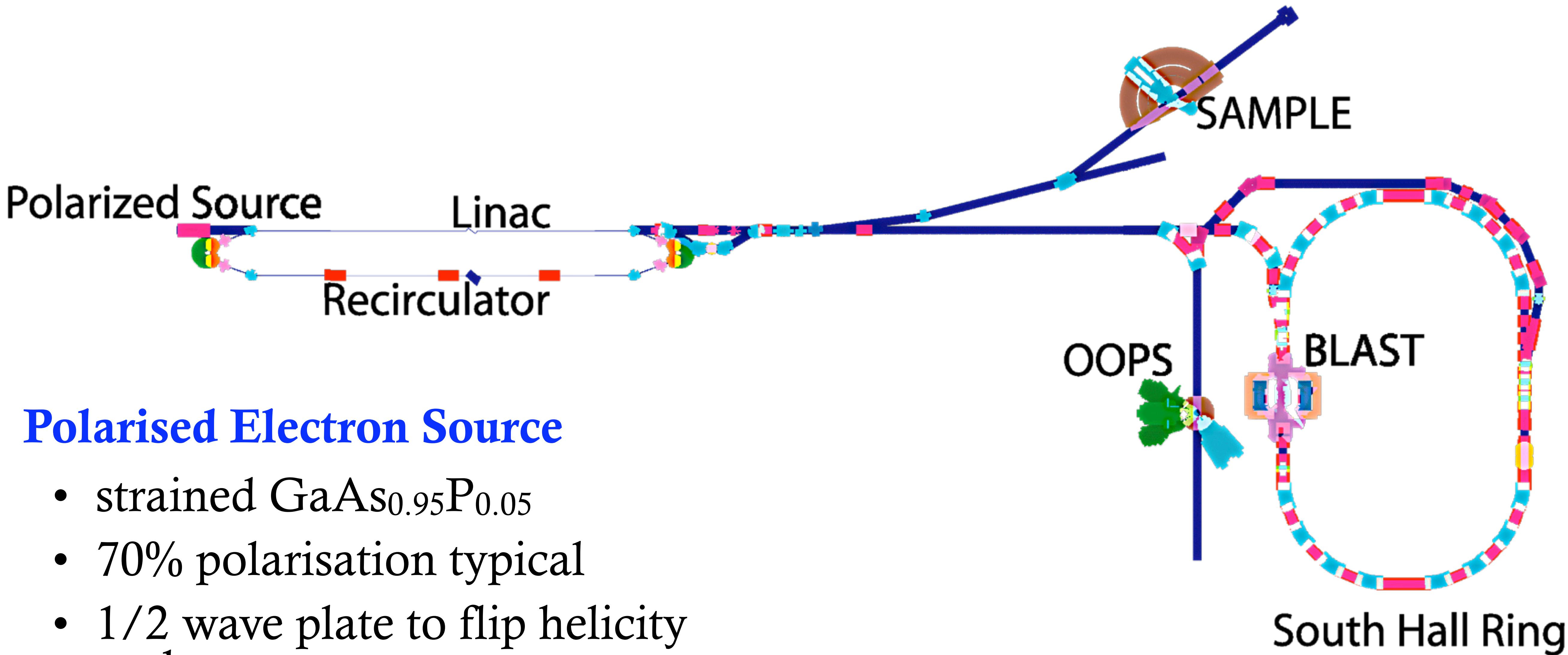
Highly polarized, internal gas target, isotopically pure H or D

- 6×10^{13} atoms/cm^2, 80% vector (H and D), 70% tensor (D) polarization

L/R Symmetric, large acceptance, general purpose detector

- 20°-80° polar, ±15° azimuthal, $0.1 < Q^2 < 0.8$ (GeV/c)^2
- Simultaneous detection of $e^\pm$, $\pi^\pm$, p, n, d

MIT-Bates Linear Accelerator Center



Polarised Electron Source

- strained $GaAs_{0.95}P_{0.05}$
- 70% polarisation typical
- 1/2 wave plate to flip helicity each run

500 MeV Linac with recirculator

- polarised electrons up to 1 GeV

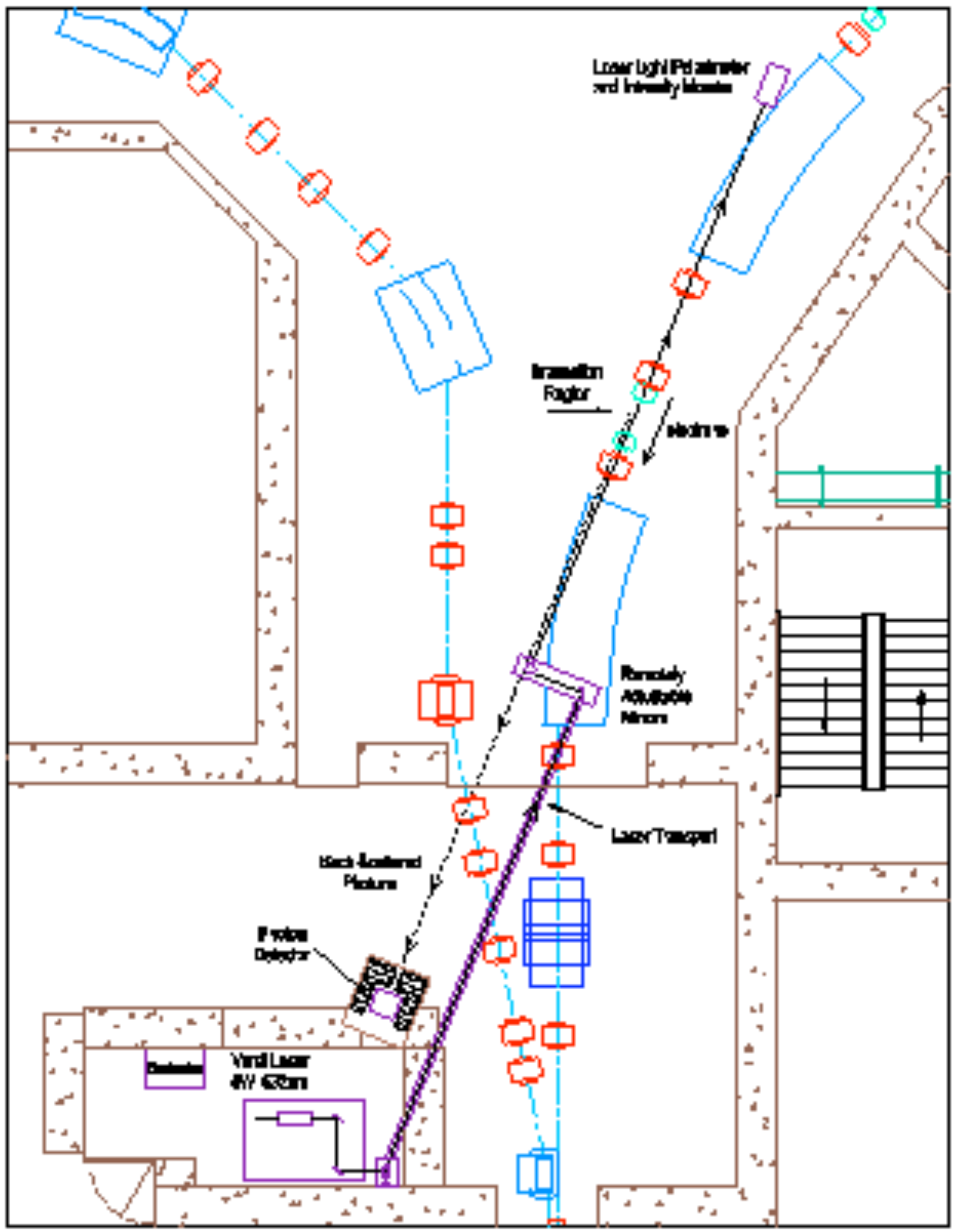
North and South Expt. Halls

- SAMPLE - north hall
- OOPS/BLAST - south hall

South Hall Ring

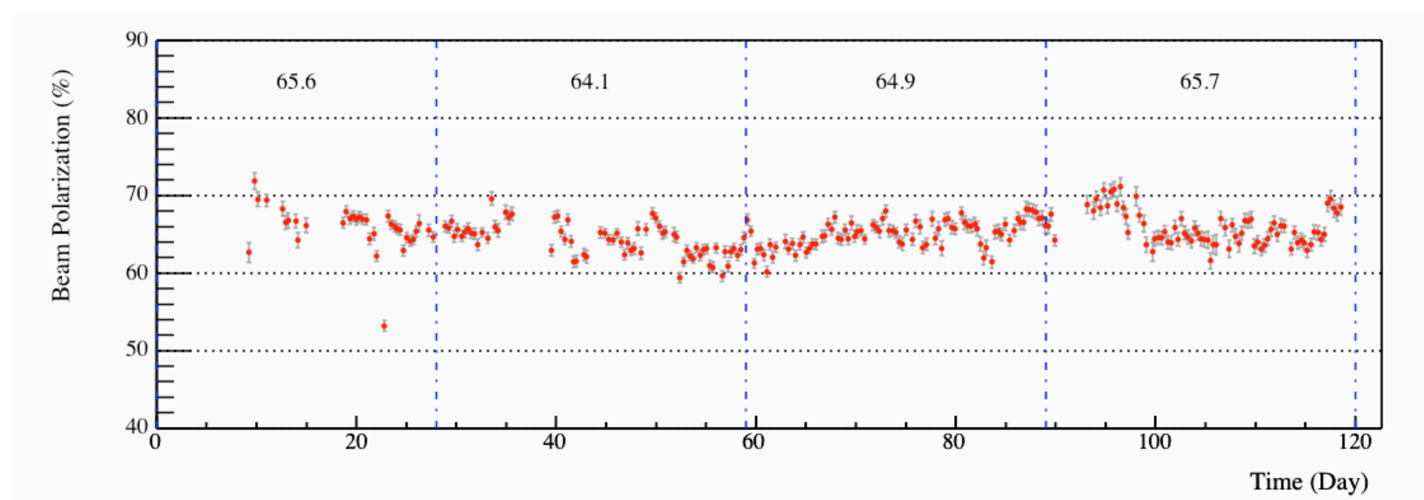
- stack to 225 mA typical
- 30 minute lifetime
- 65 % polarisation typical
- Siberian snake maintains longitudinal spin at target

Compton Polarimeter

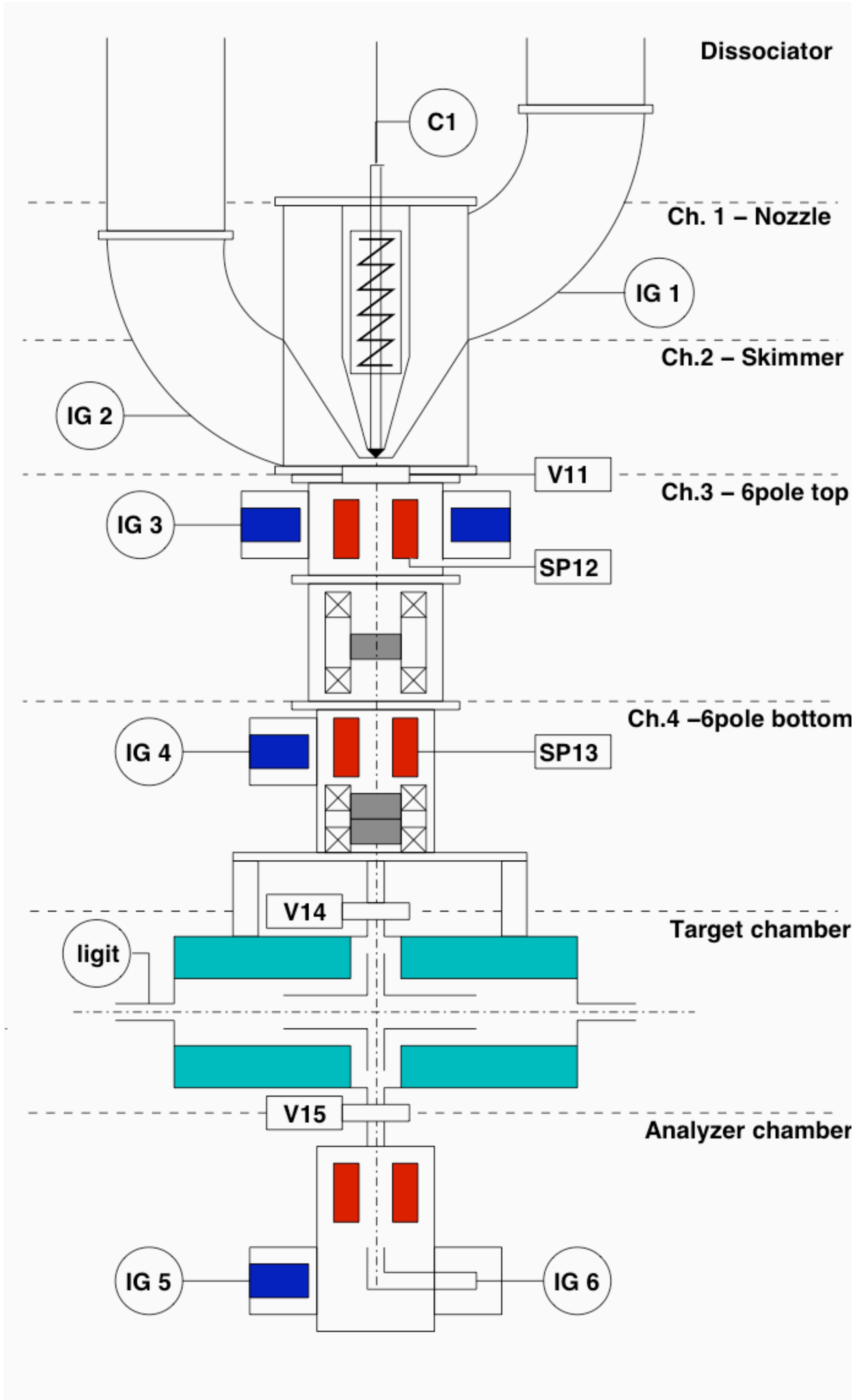


Monitor beam polarisation in ring

- 5 W laser, 532 nm, circularly polarised incident on oncoming electron beam
- Backscattered photons detected in CsI
- Laser helicity flipped in Pockels cell
- Asymmetry yields beam polarisation
- Chopper wheel allows simultaneous measure of background
- Typical beam polarisation 65 %
- Systematic uncertainty <3%



Internal, Polarised Gas Target



Atomic Beam Source

- series of focusing magnets and RF transition units populate and transport the desired spin state to the target cell
- target cell - thin walled, open ended tube, 60 cm long, ∅15 mm
- isotopically pure ^{1}H or ^{2}H
- vector polarised ^{1}H
- vector and tensor polarised ^{2}H
- randomly change spin state every 5′ during run
- target density 6×10^{13} atoms/cm^2
- vector polarisation 80 % typical
- tensor polarisation 68 % typical

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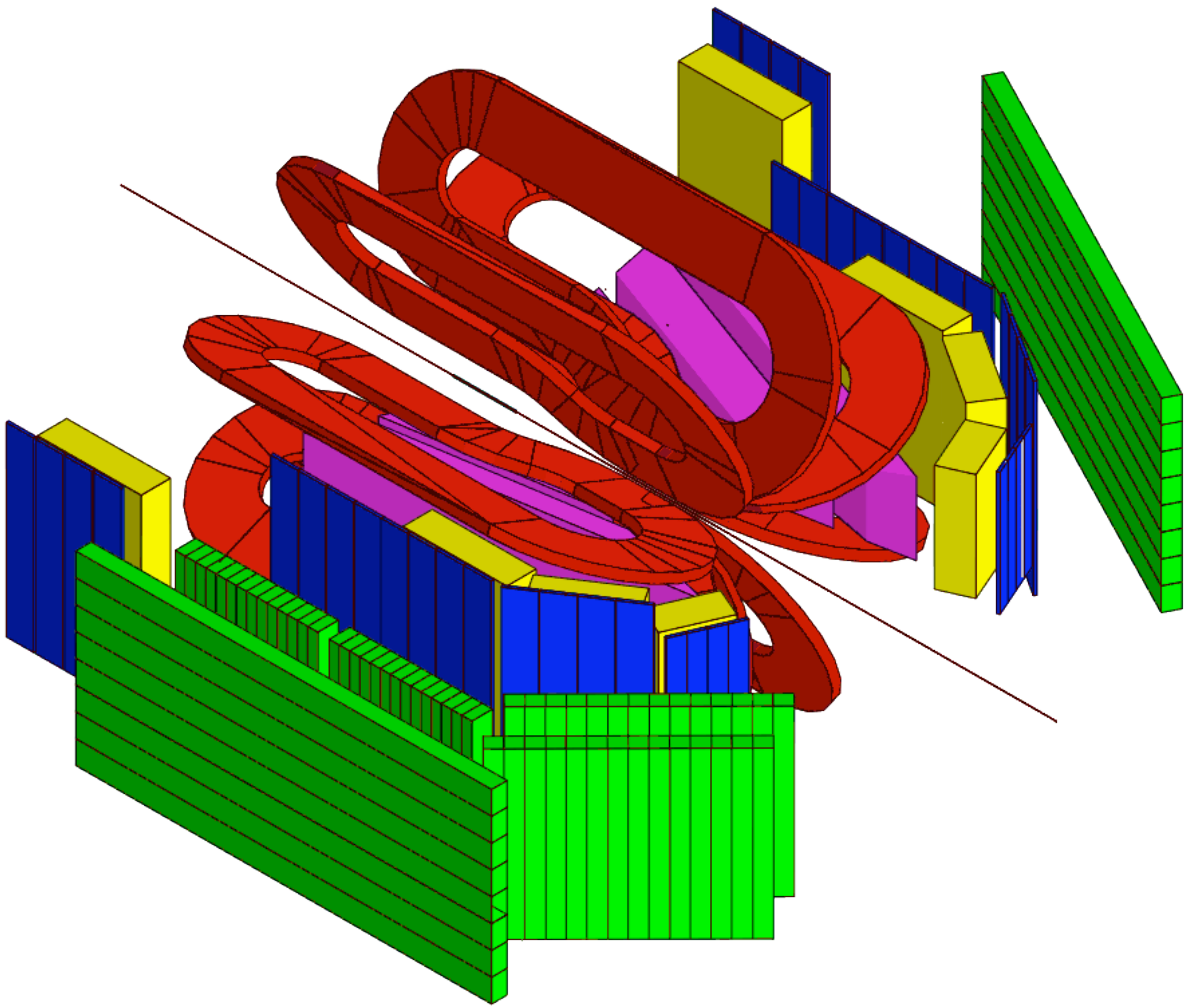

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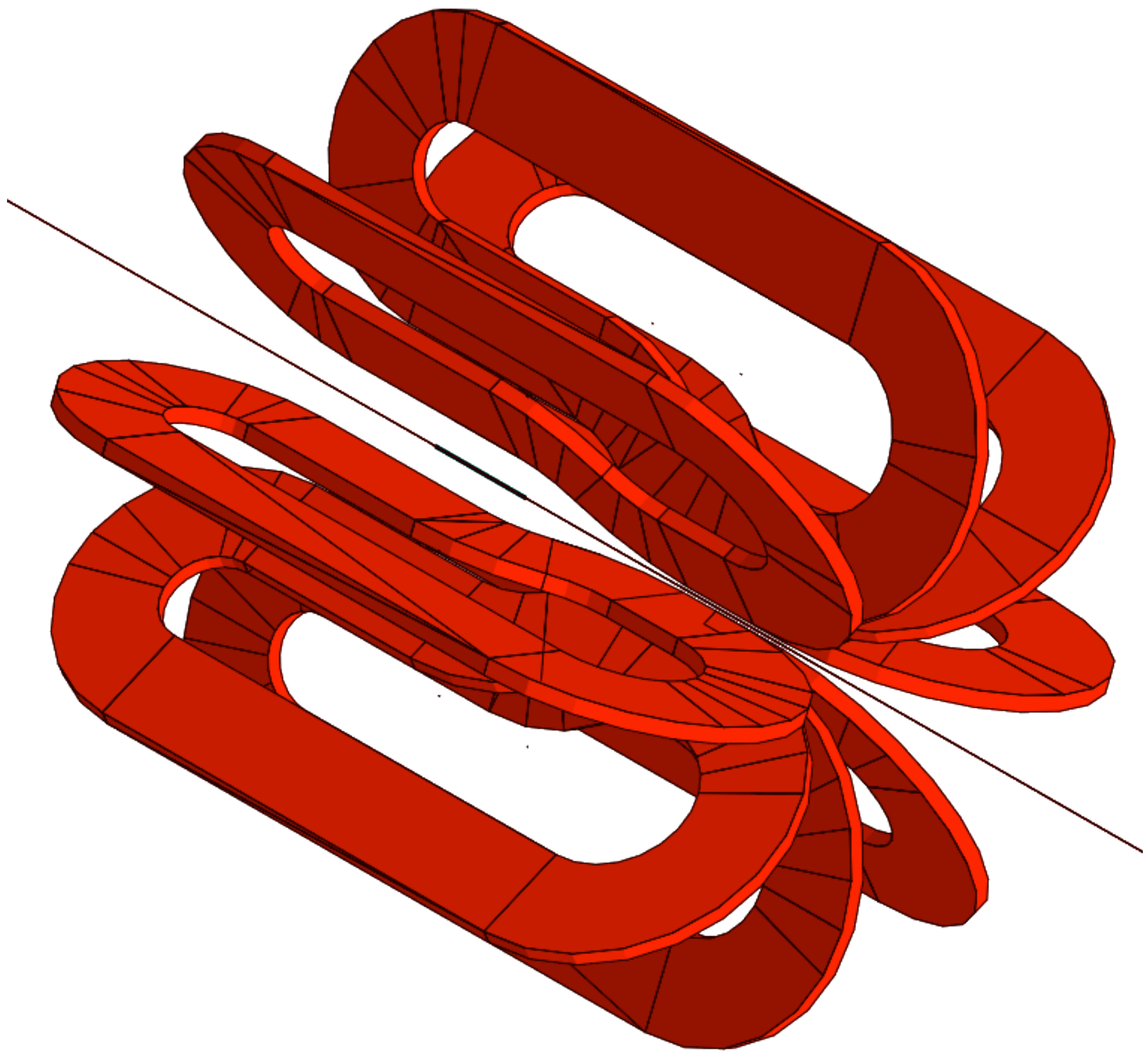

- 8 sector toroid magnet
  - minimise effect on beam and target polarisation
- 3.8 kG maximum field
- two horizontal sectors instrumented

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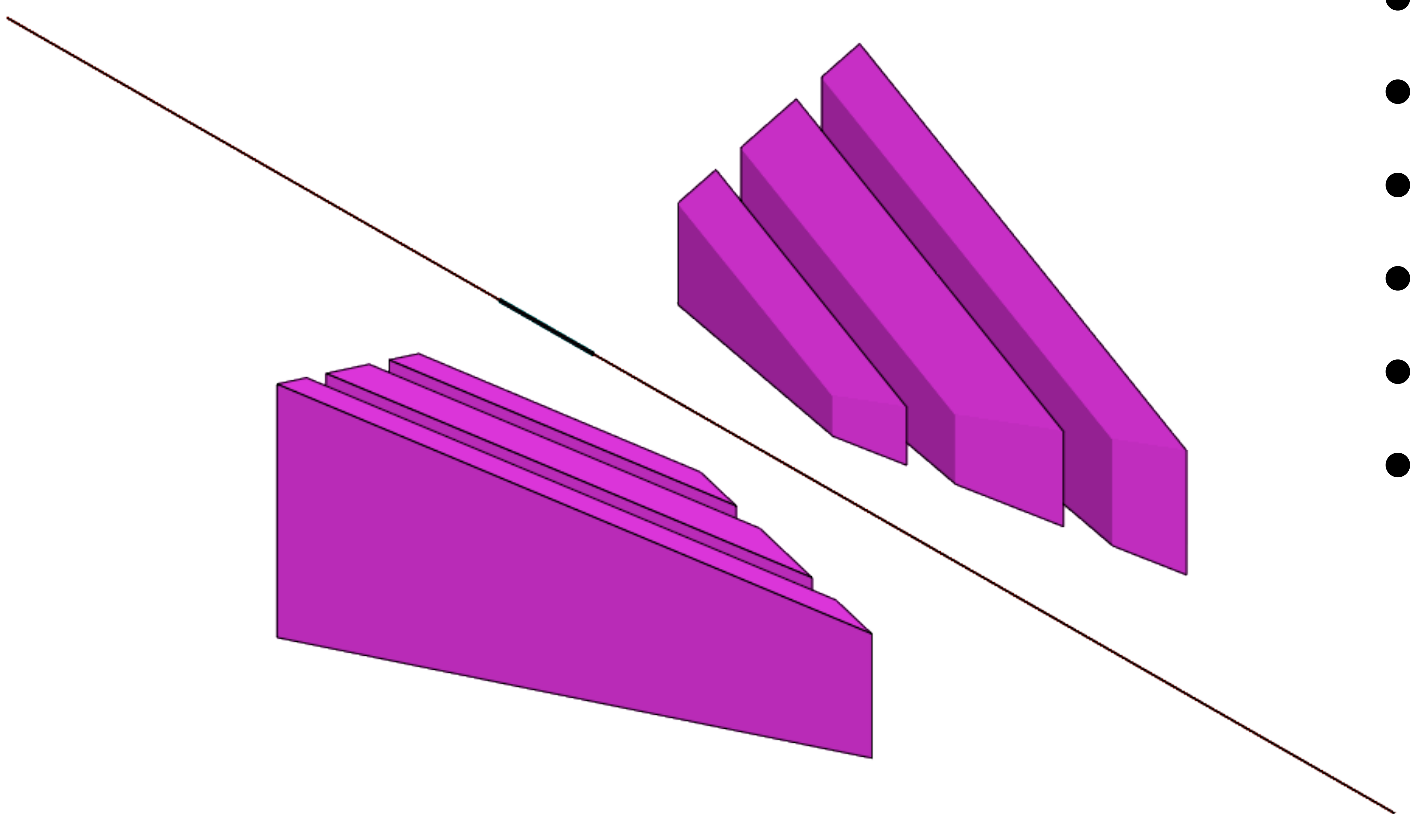
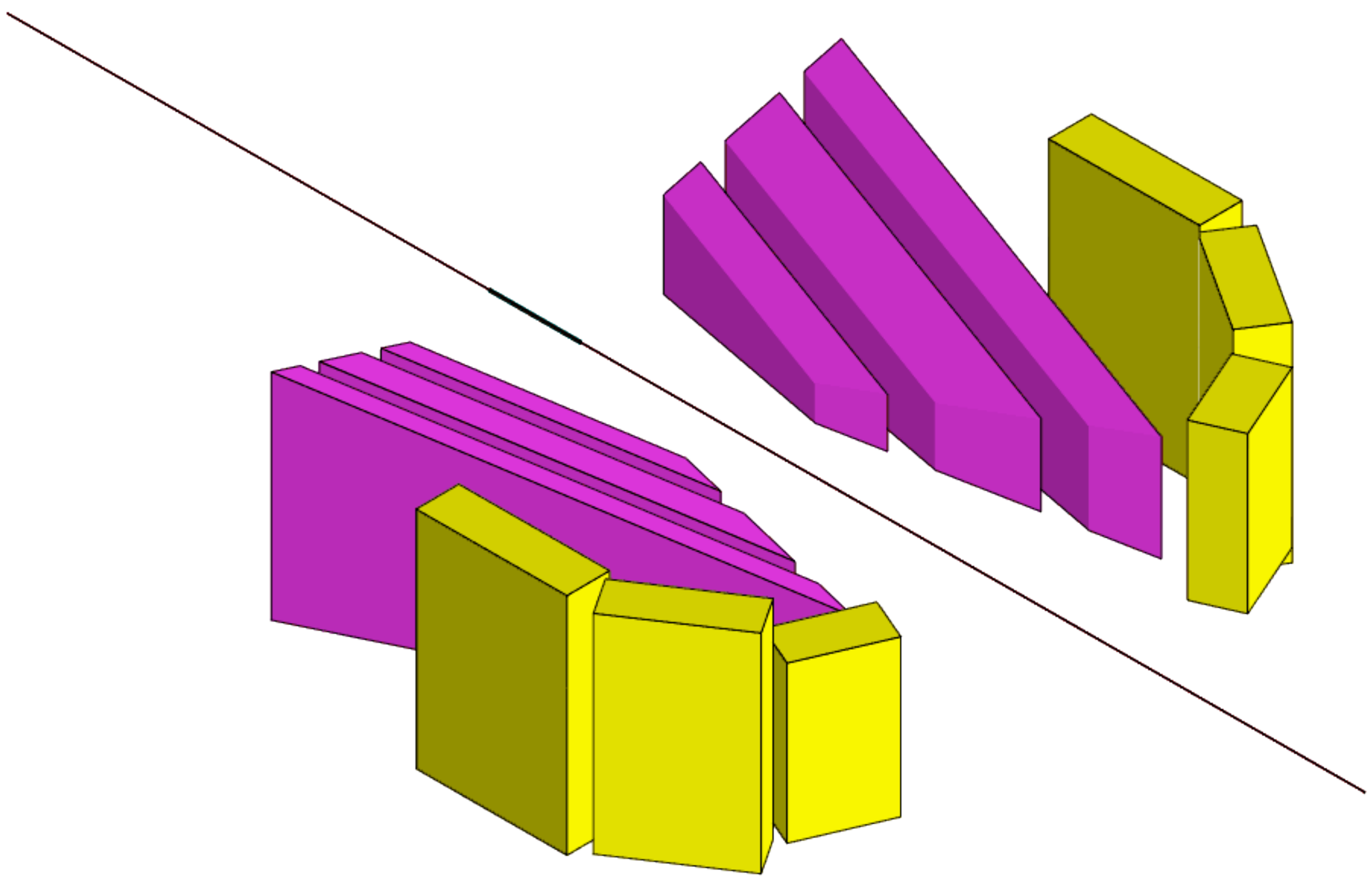


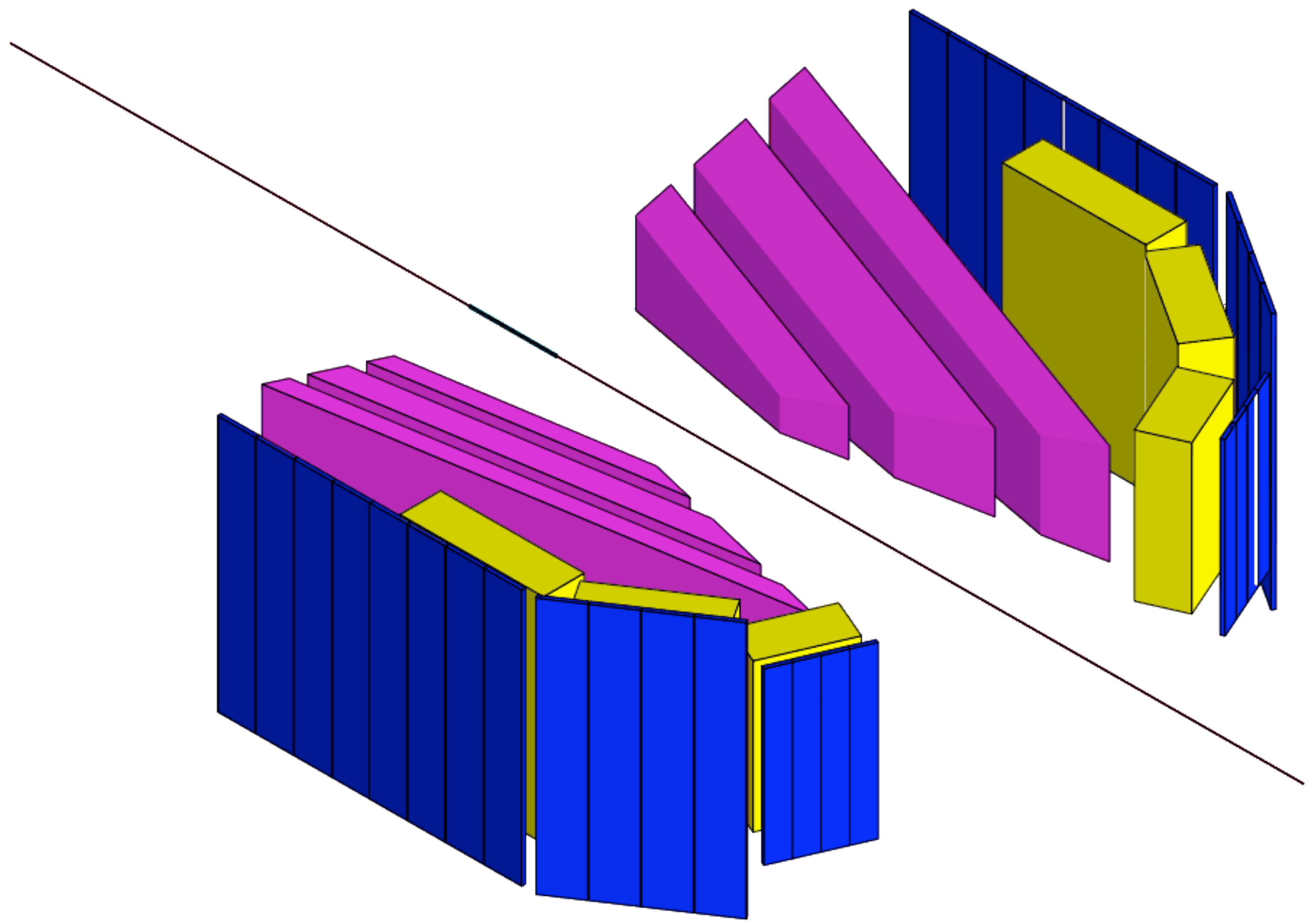
- 3 wire chambers / sector
  - single gas volume
- 2 superlayers / chamber
  - +/- 10° stereo
- 3 sense layers / superlayer
- total 18 layers of tracking
- momentum analysis
- scattering angles
- event vertex
- particle charge

BLAST Detector



- Aerogel Cerenkov
- pion / electron separation

BLAST Detector



- time of flight scintillator walls
- relative timing
- trigger timing

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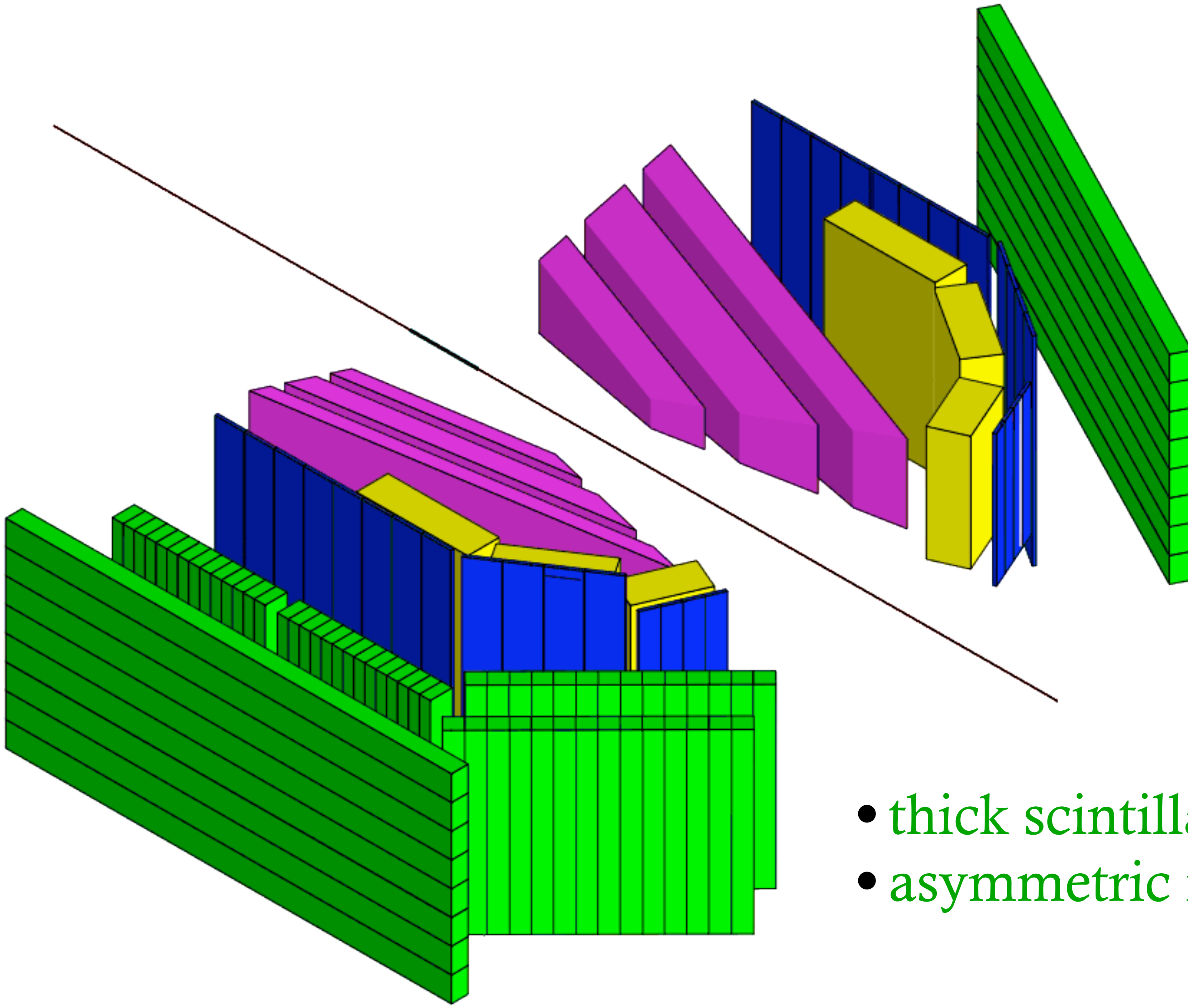

- thick scintillators for neutron detector
- asymmetric favouring right sector

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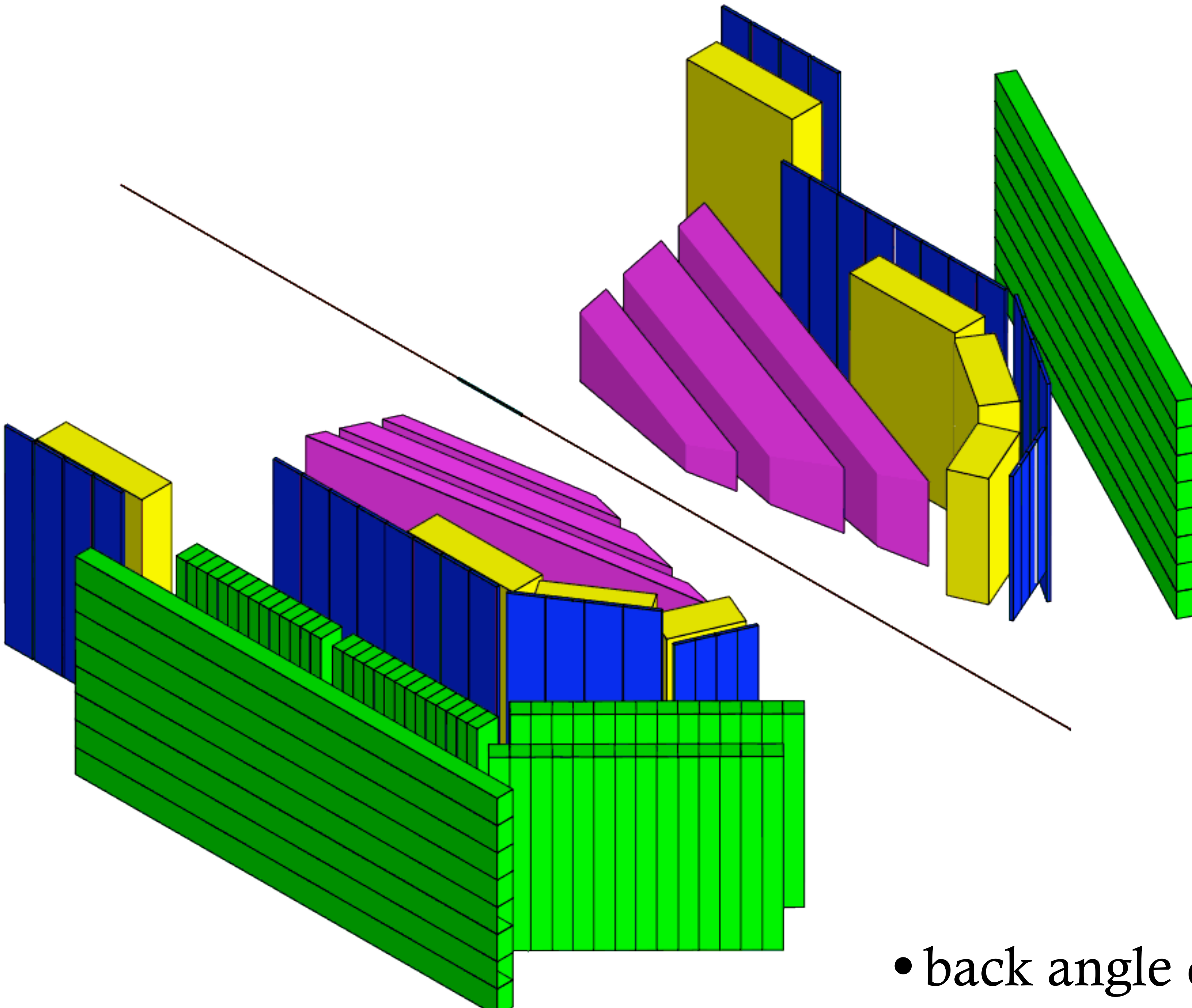
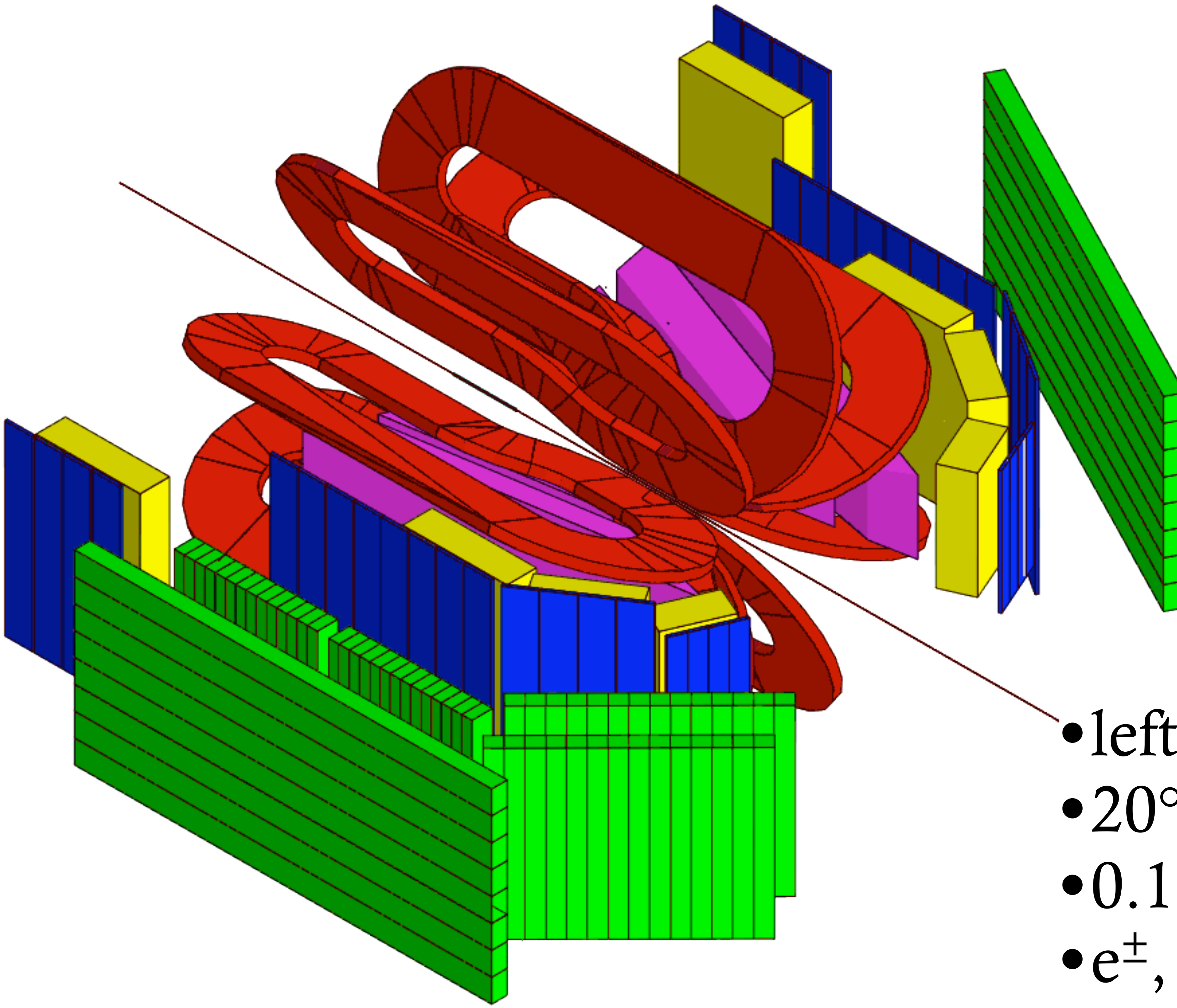


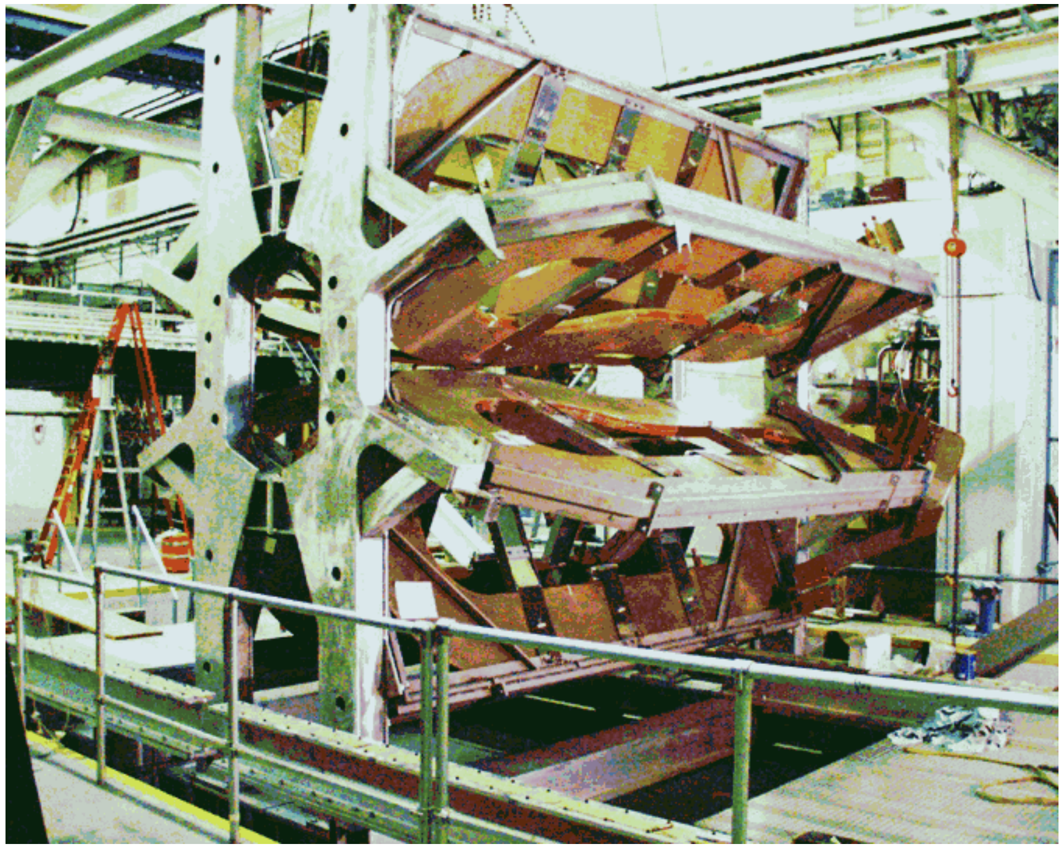
- back angle detectors
- extend coverage, no tracking

BLAST Detector



- left-right symmetric
- 20°- 80° θ, ±15° ϕ
- $0.1 < Q^2 < 0.8$ $(GeV/c)^2$
- $e^{\pm}$, p, n, d, $\pi^{\pm}$

BLAST Detector Components



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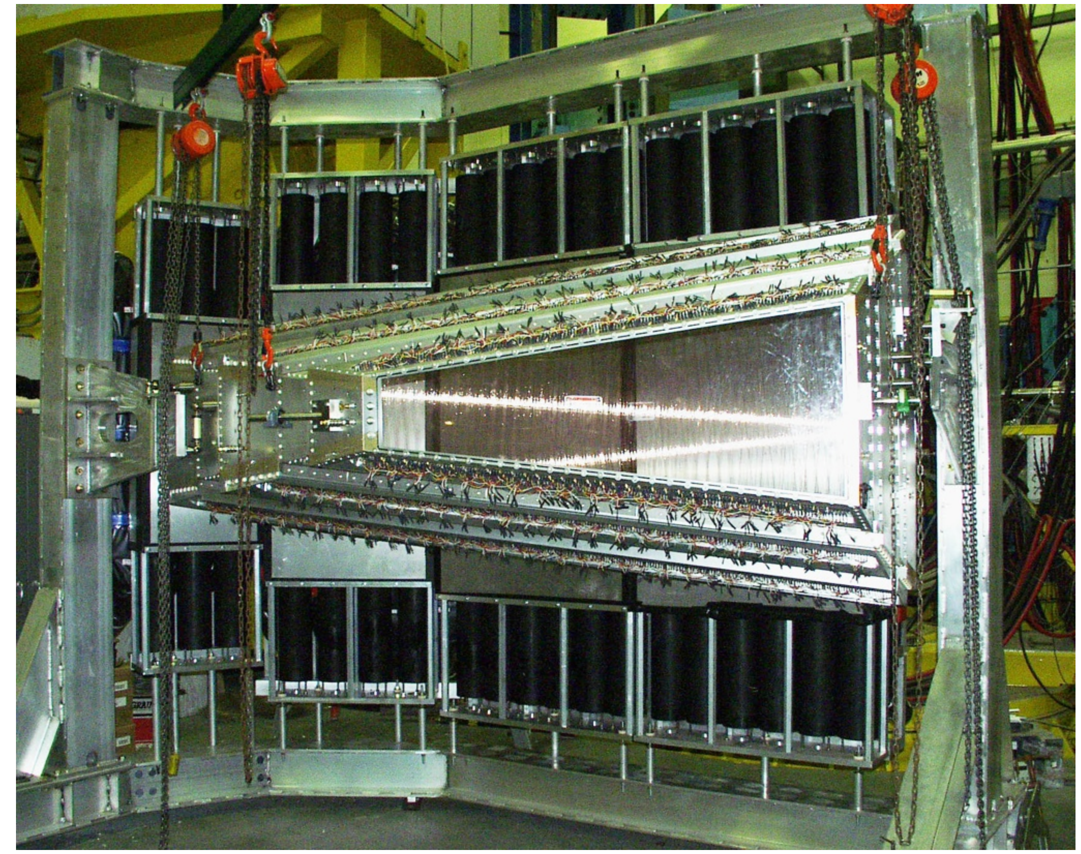

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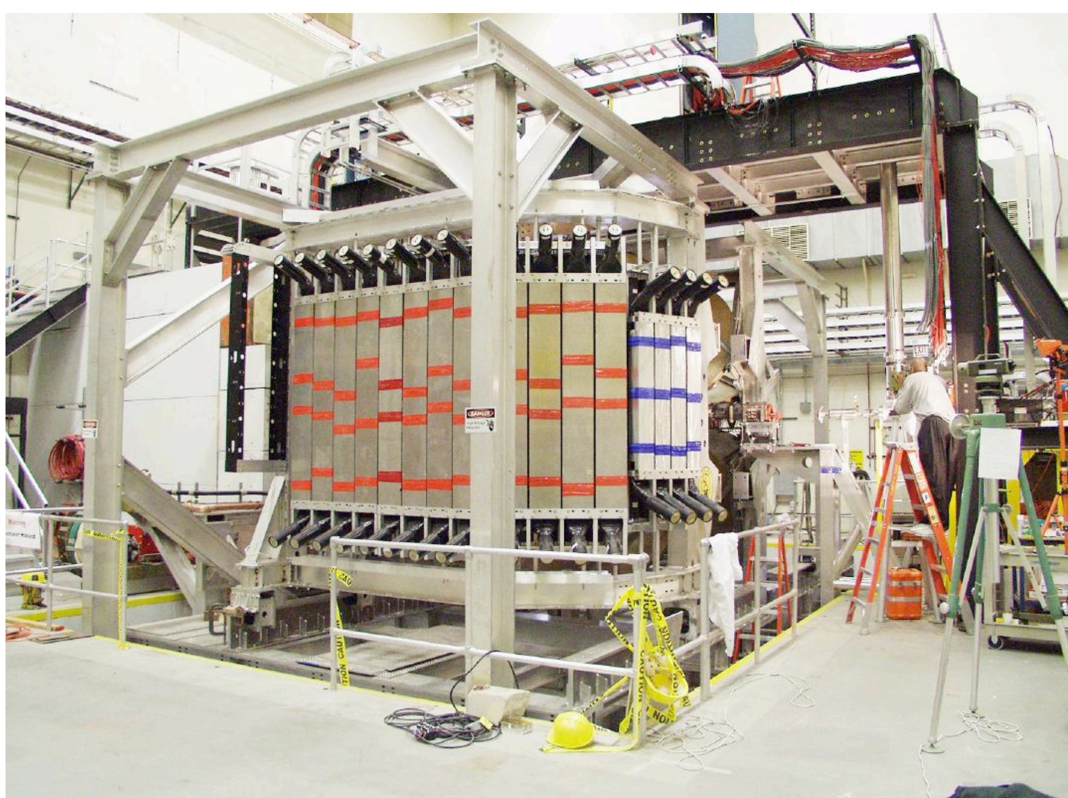

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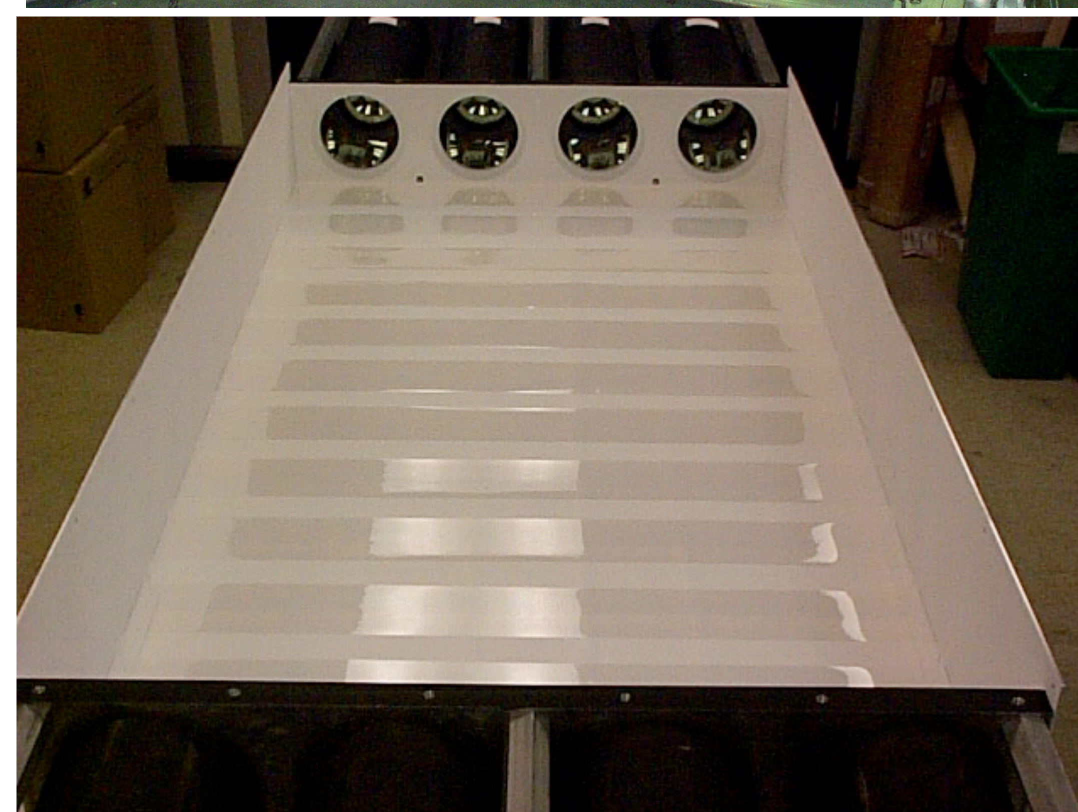

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BLAST Detector Components

Neutron Detectors

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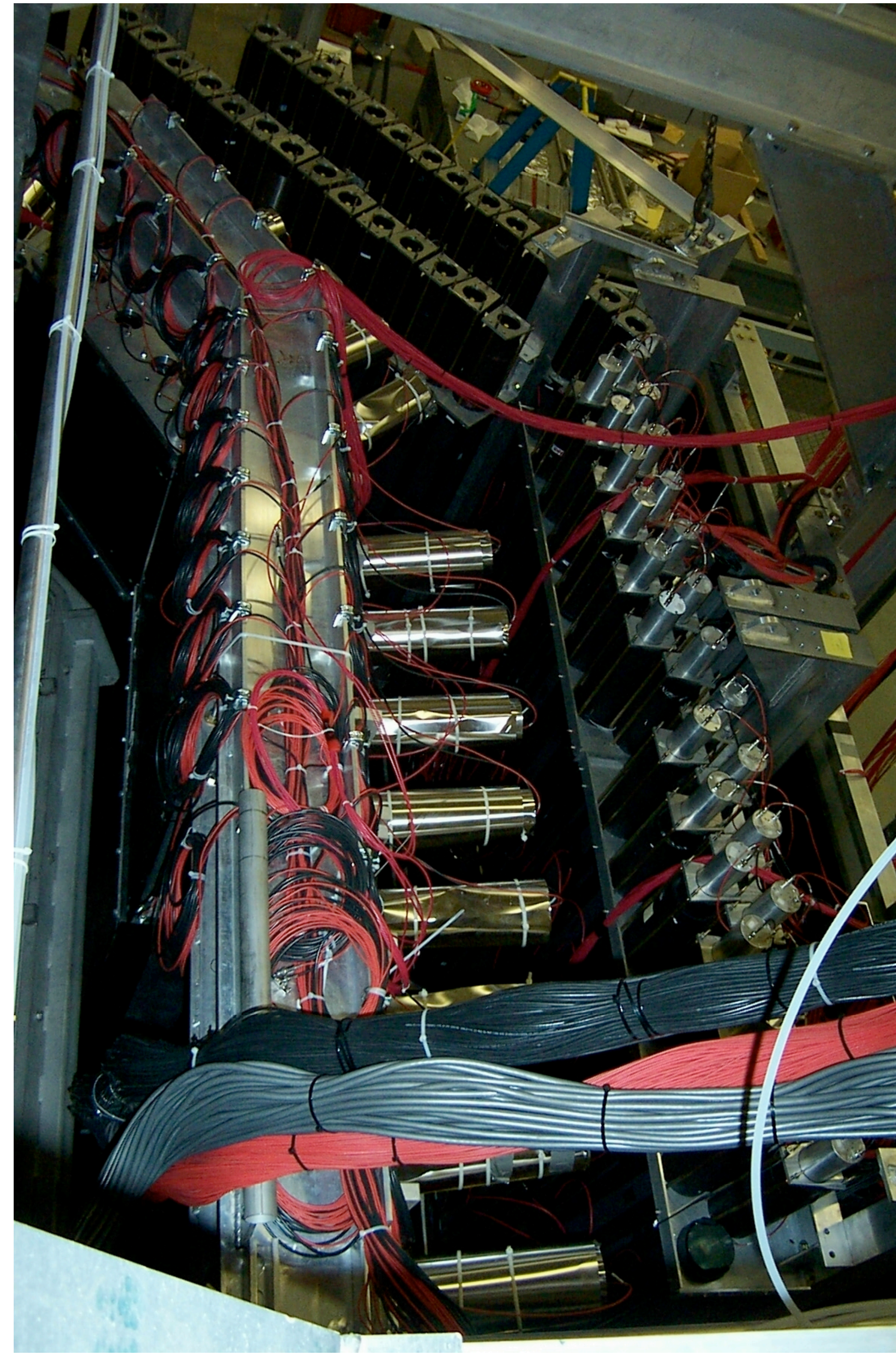

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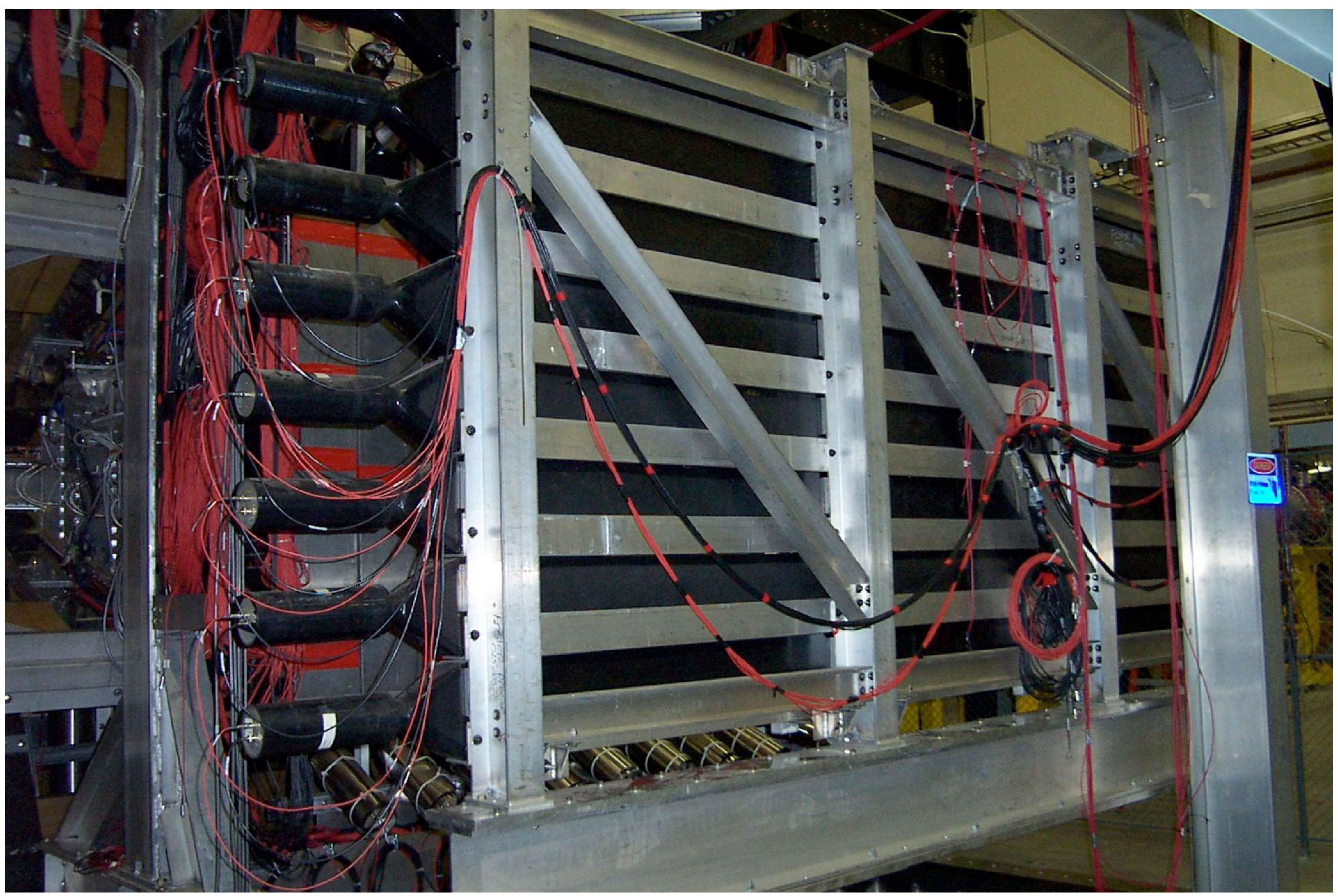
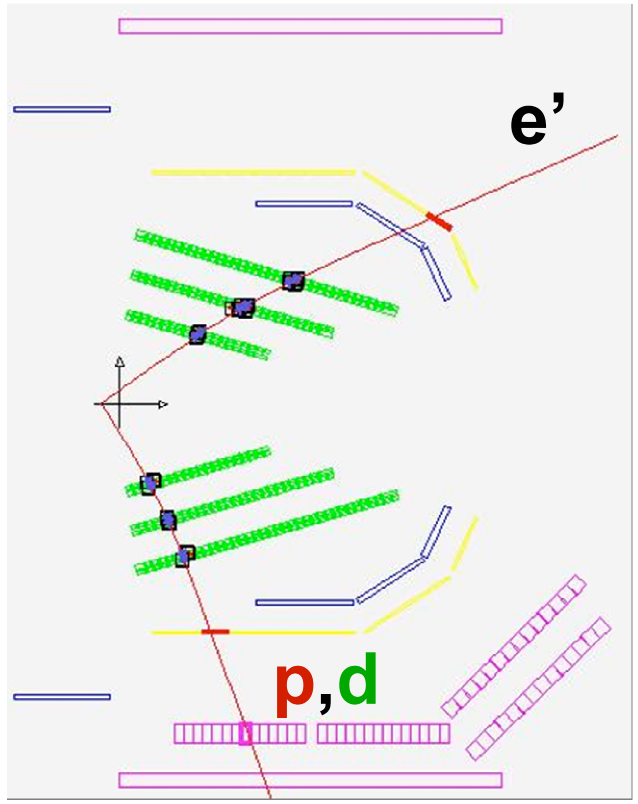
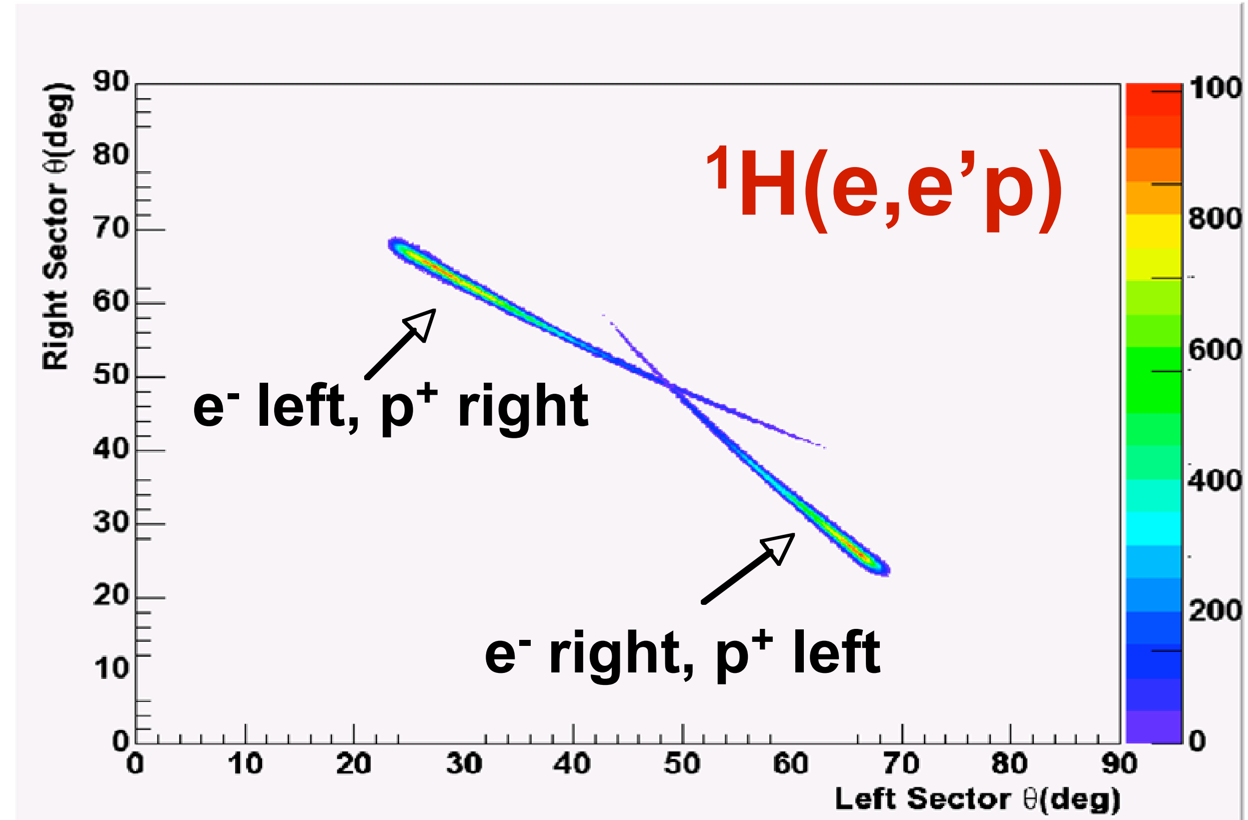
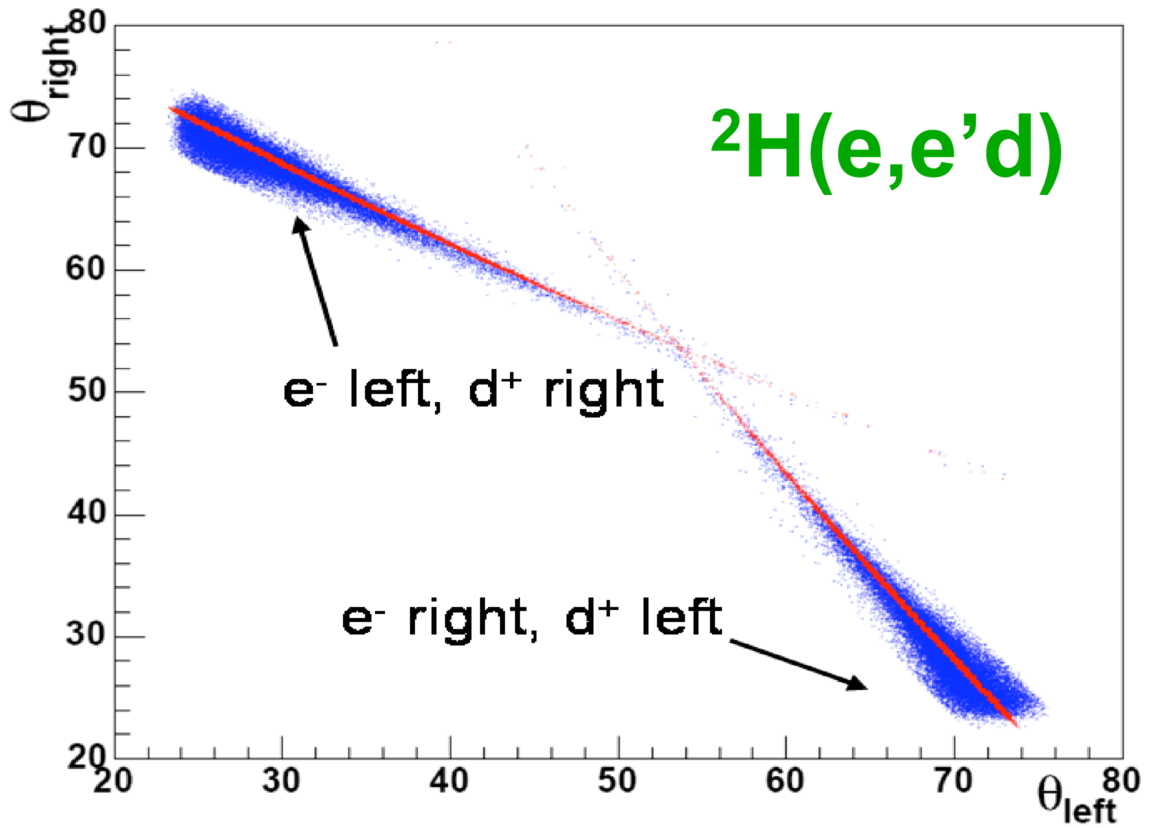


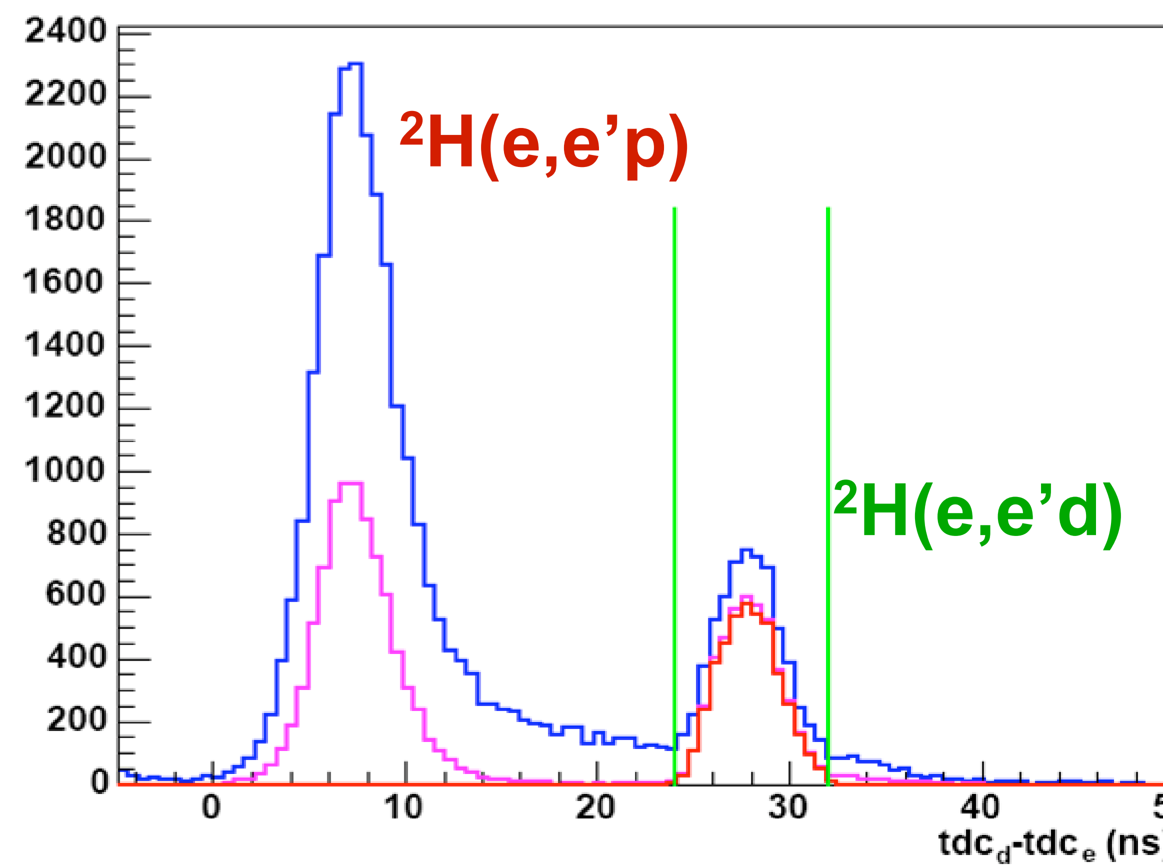
Event Selection

Charge+/-
Coplanarity
Kinematics
Timing









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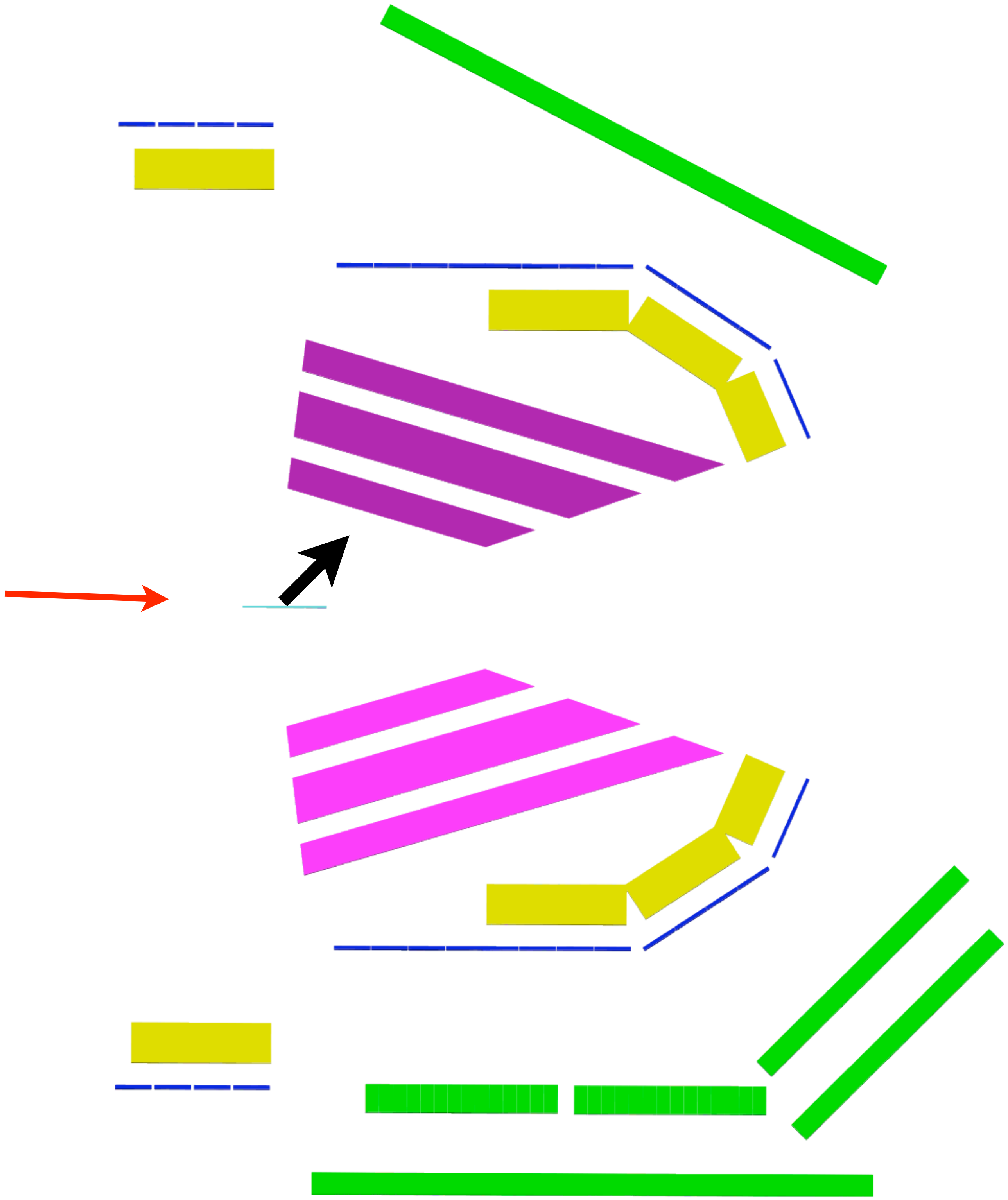

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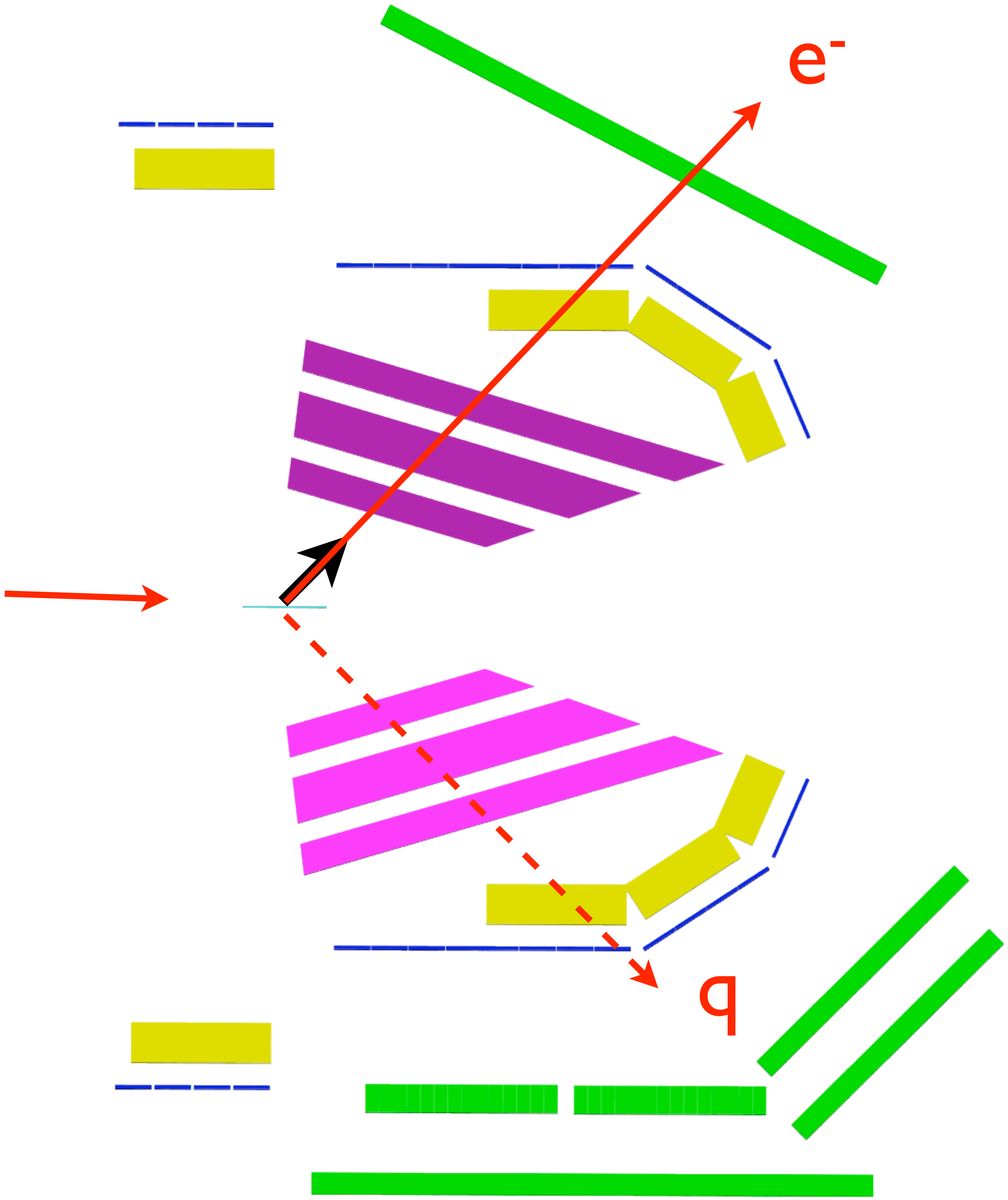

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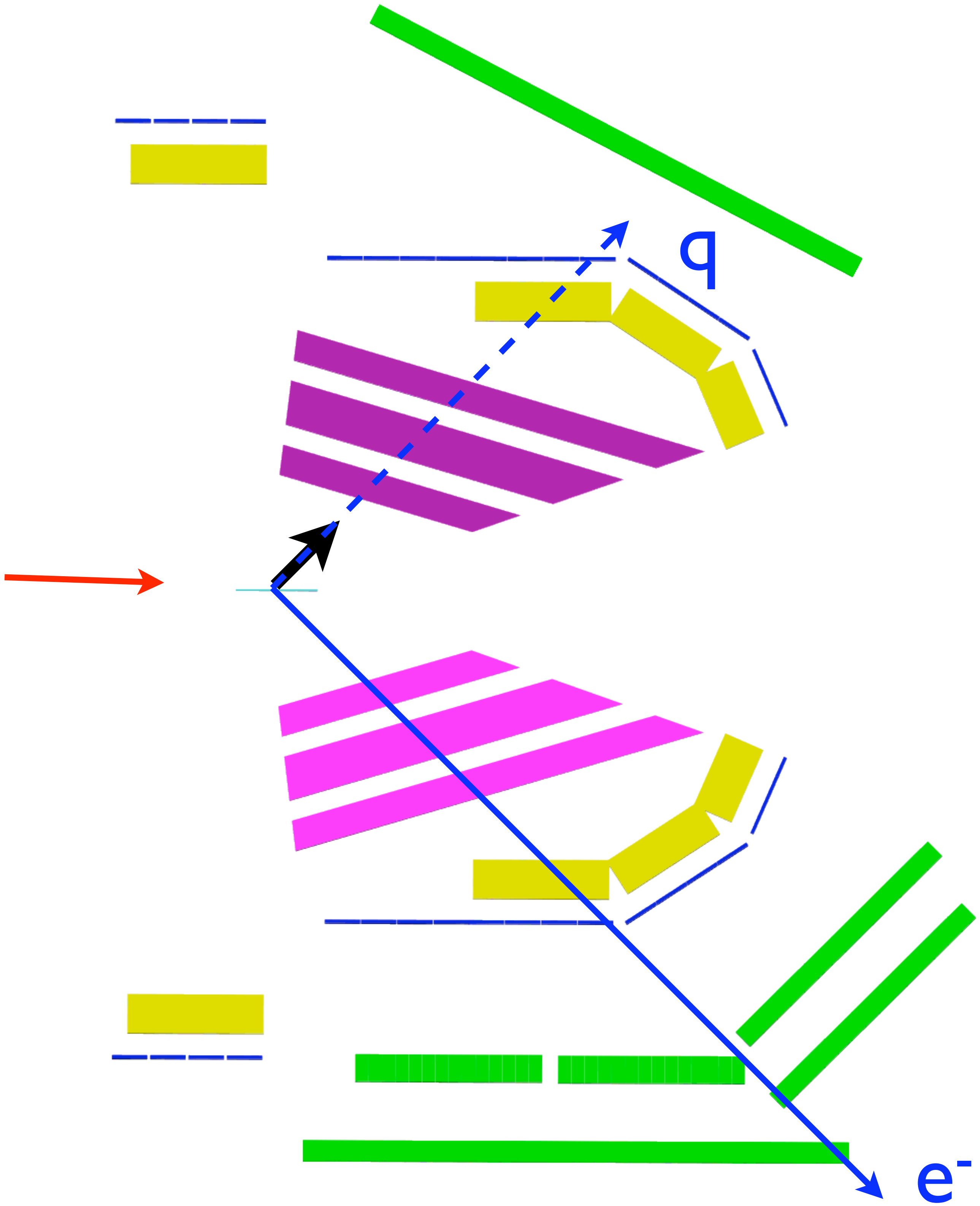

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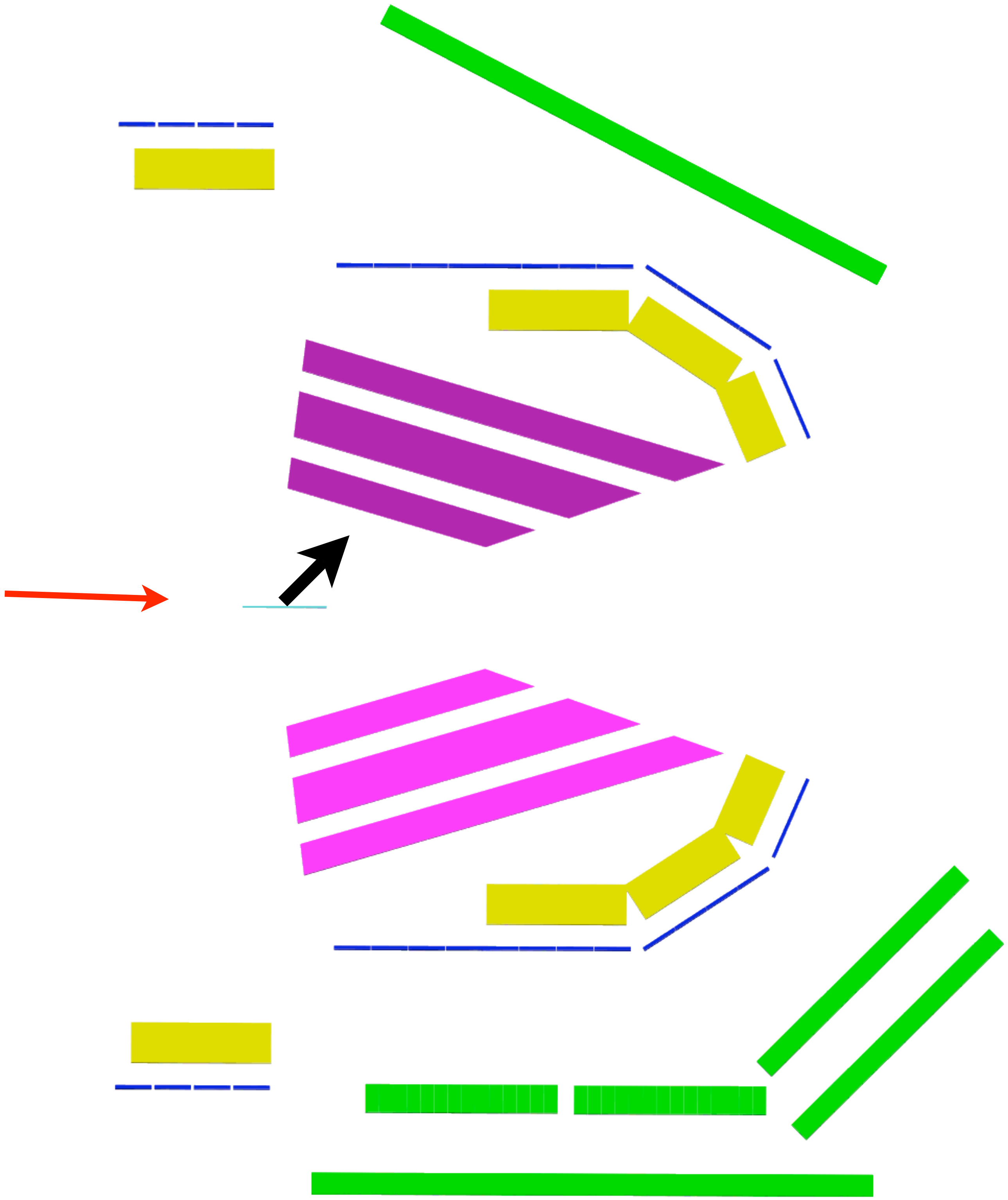

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BLAST Physics

Polarised Hydrogen

$^1\vec{H}(\vec{e},e')$ $^1\vec{H}(\vec{e},e'p)$ $^1\vec{H}(\vec{e},e'p)\gamma,\pi^0$ $^1\vec{H}(\vec{e},e'\pi^+)n$ $^1\vec{H}(\vec{e},e'\pi^+n)$

Inclusive **G^p_E/G^p_M** **N-Δ : EMR, CMR** **Photoprod.**

Vector Polarised Deuterium

$^2\vec{H}(\vec{e},e')$ $^2\vec{H}(\vec{e},e'd)$ $^2\vec{H}(\vec{e},e'p)n$ $^2\vec{H}(\vec{e},e'n)p$ $^2\vec{H}(\vec{e},e'\pi^{\pm,0})$

G^n_M **T^e_{11} : G^d_M** **A^v_{ed} : L=2** **G^n_E** **N-Δ**

Tensor Polarised Deuterium

$^2\overleftrightarrow{H}(e,e'd)$ $^2\overleftrightarrow{H}(e,e'p)n$ $^2\overleftrightarrow{H}(e,e'n)p$ $^2\overleftrightarrow{H}(\gamma,pn)$ $^2\overleftrightarrow{H}(\vec{e},e'\pi^{\pm})$

T_{20} : G^d_Q **A^T_d : L=2** **photodisint.** **$^1S_0$**

Elastic Scattering from Hydrogen

With polarized beam and target can measure asymmetries

$$A_{exp} = P_b P_t \frac{-2\tau v_{T'} \cos\theta^* {G_M^p}^2 + 2\sqrt{2\tau(1+\tau)} v_{TL'} \sin\theta^* \cos\phi^* G_M^p G_E^p}{(1+\tau) v_l {G_E^p}^2 + 2\tau v_T {G_M^p}^2}$$

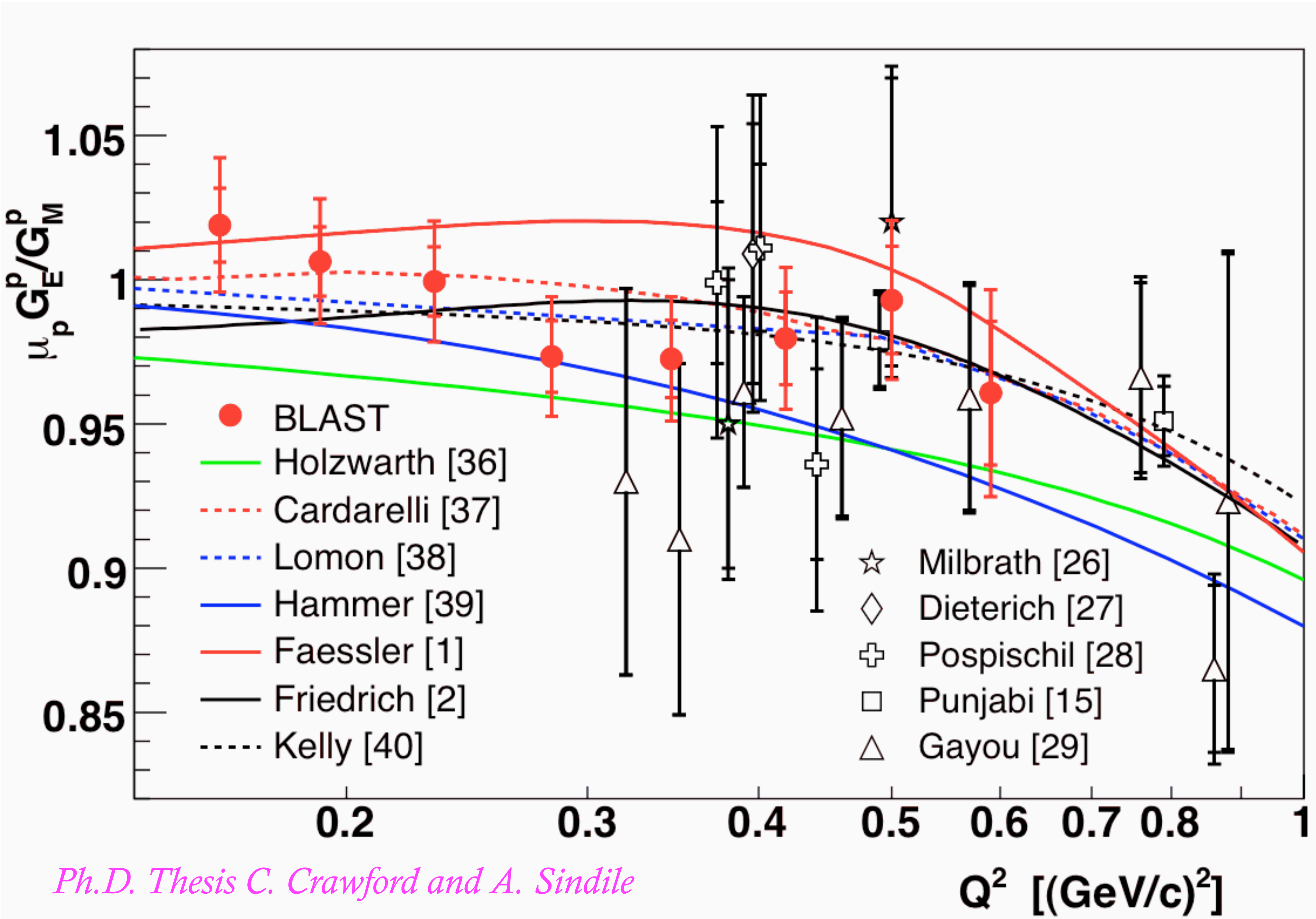
- note some terms vanish in perpendicular or parallel kinematics

With symmetric detector can form ratio of left/right asymmetries

$$R_A = \frac{A_L}{A_R} = \frac{z_L^* - x_L^* G_E^p / G_M^P}{z_R^* - x_R^* G_E^p / G_M^P}$$

- beam and target polarisations cancel
- all that remains is kinematic terms

Ratio of Proton Elastic Form Factors



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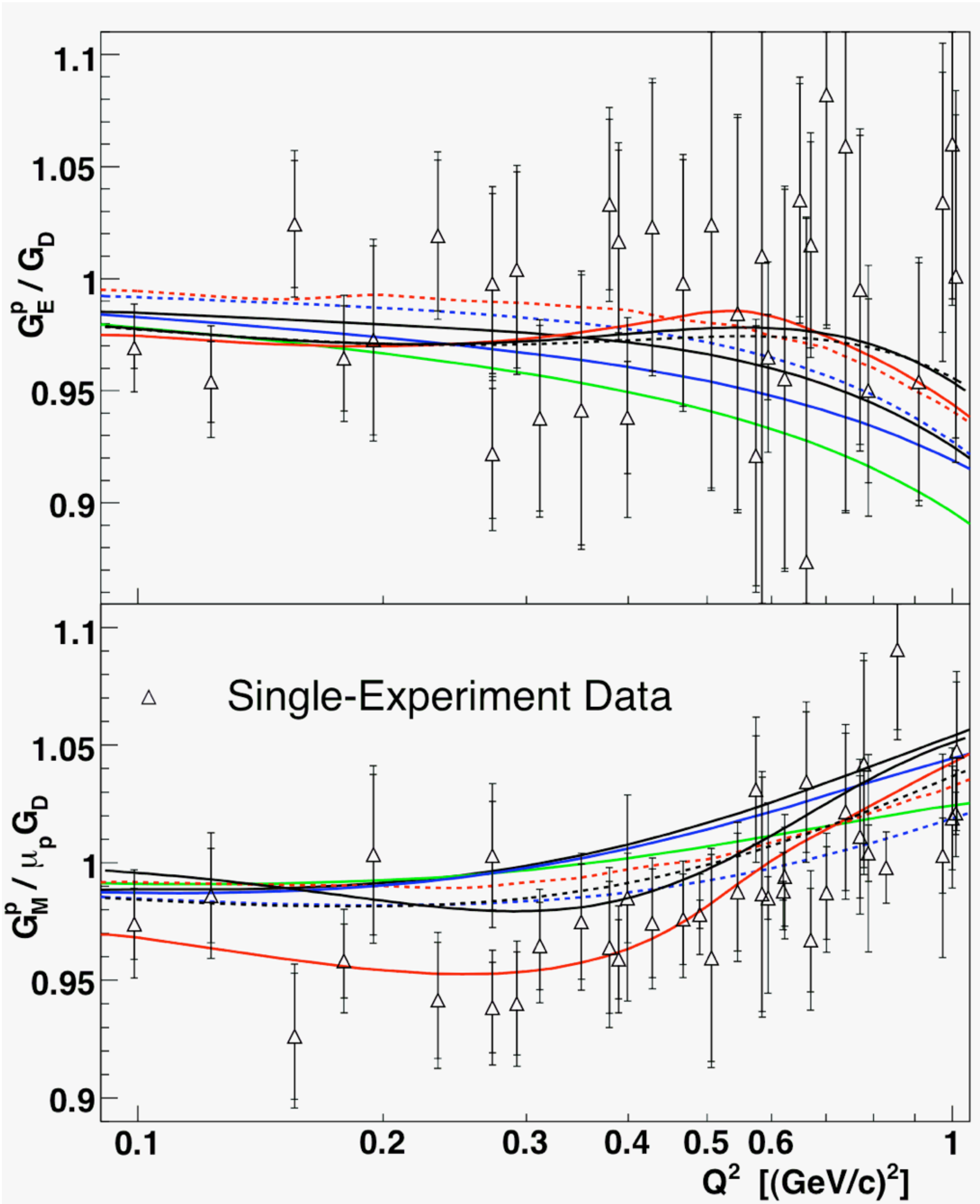

Proton elastic form factors

- $G^p{}_E$ and $G^p{}_M$
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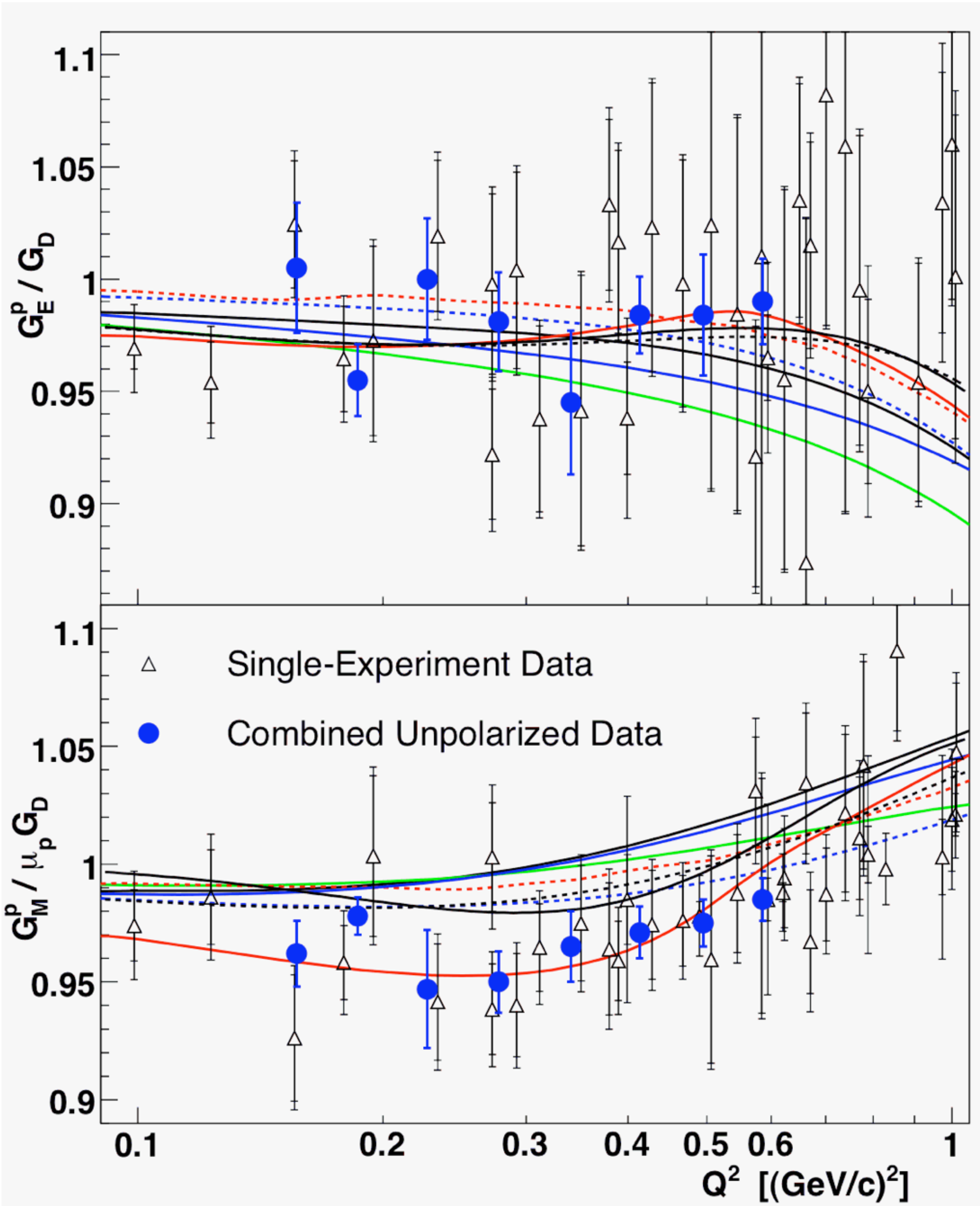

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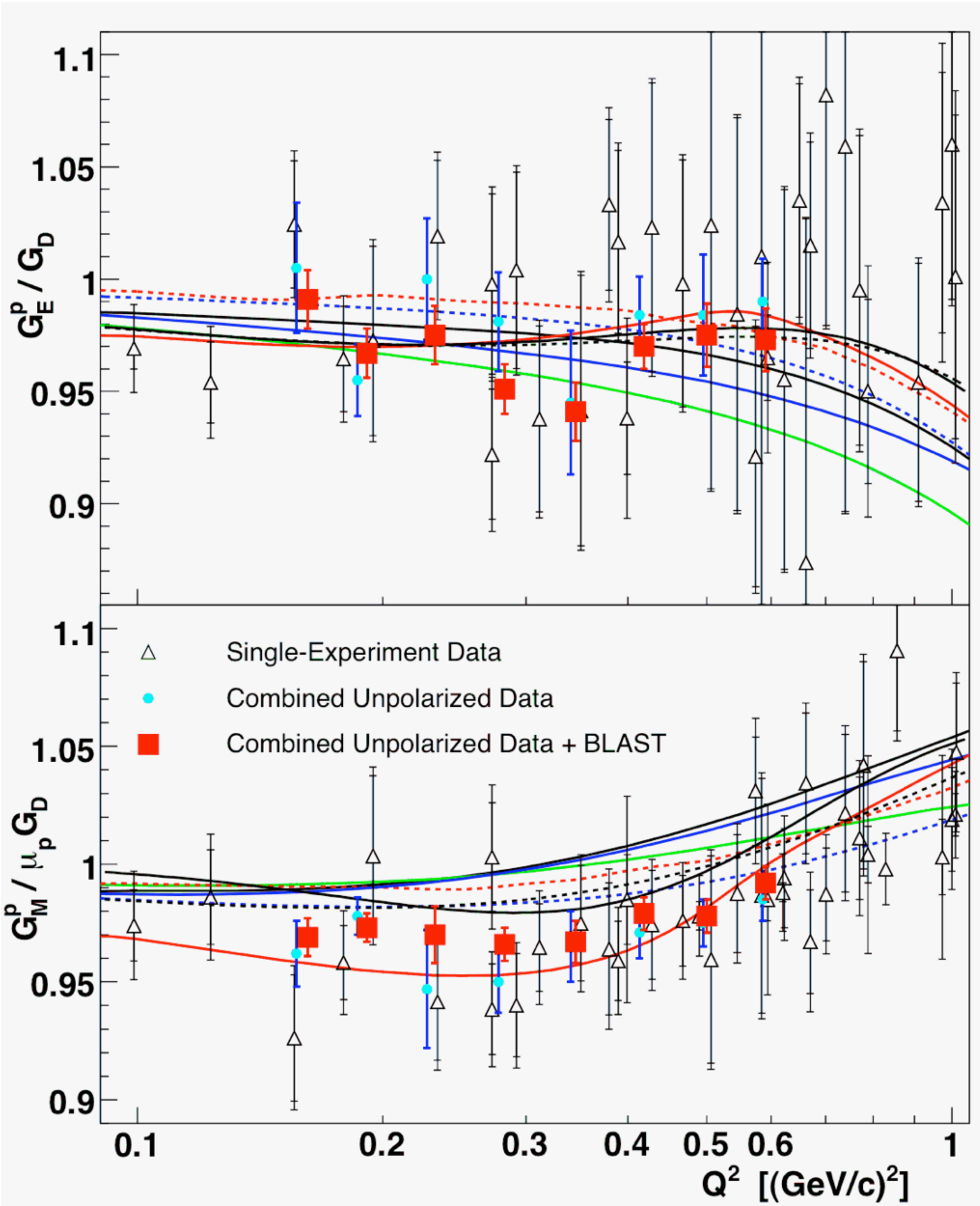

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Constraining with BLAST

- uncertainties reduced factor 2

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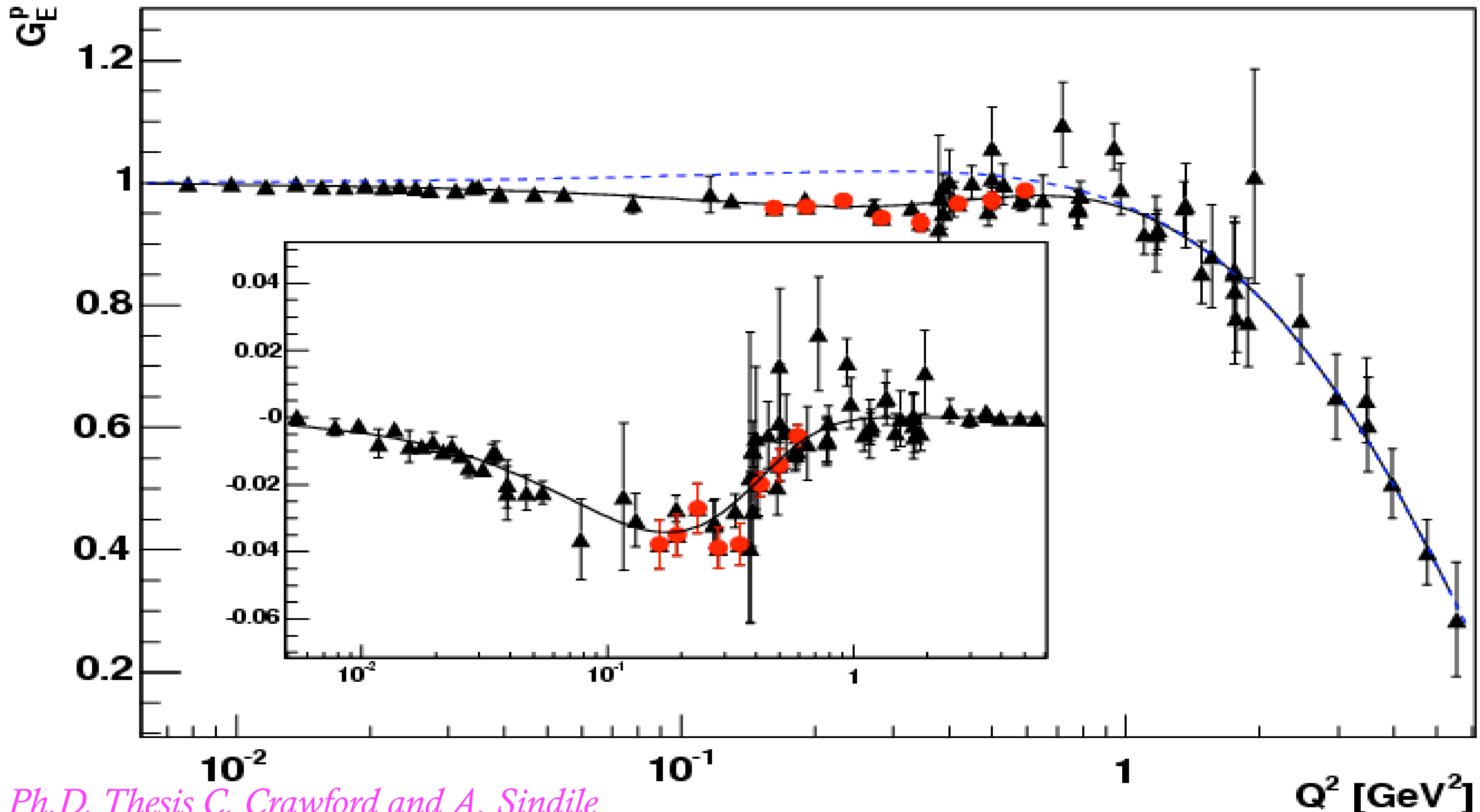
BLAST Data with Friedrich and Walcher



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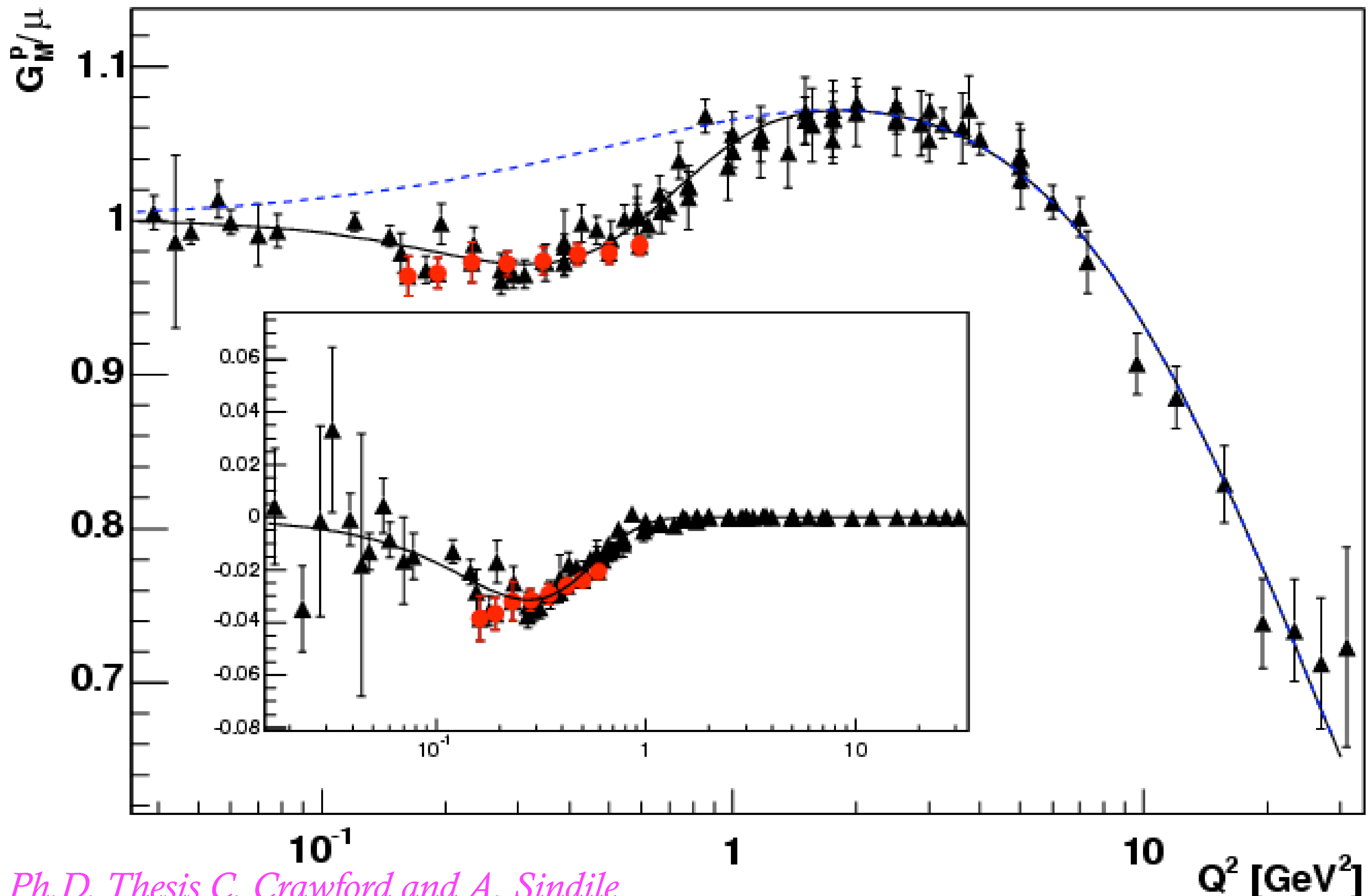

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Elastic Electron - Deuteron Scattering

Deuteron spin S = 1

- three form factors G^d_C, G^d_M, and G^d_Q
- G^d_Q arises from tensor force, D-wave
- normalisation $G^d_Q(0)=M^2_d\ Q_d$

Unpolarised elastic cross section - insufficient

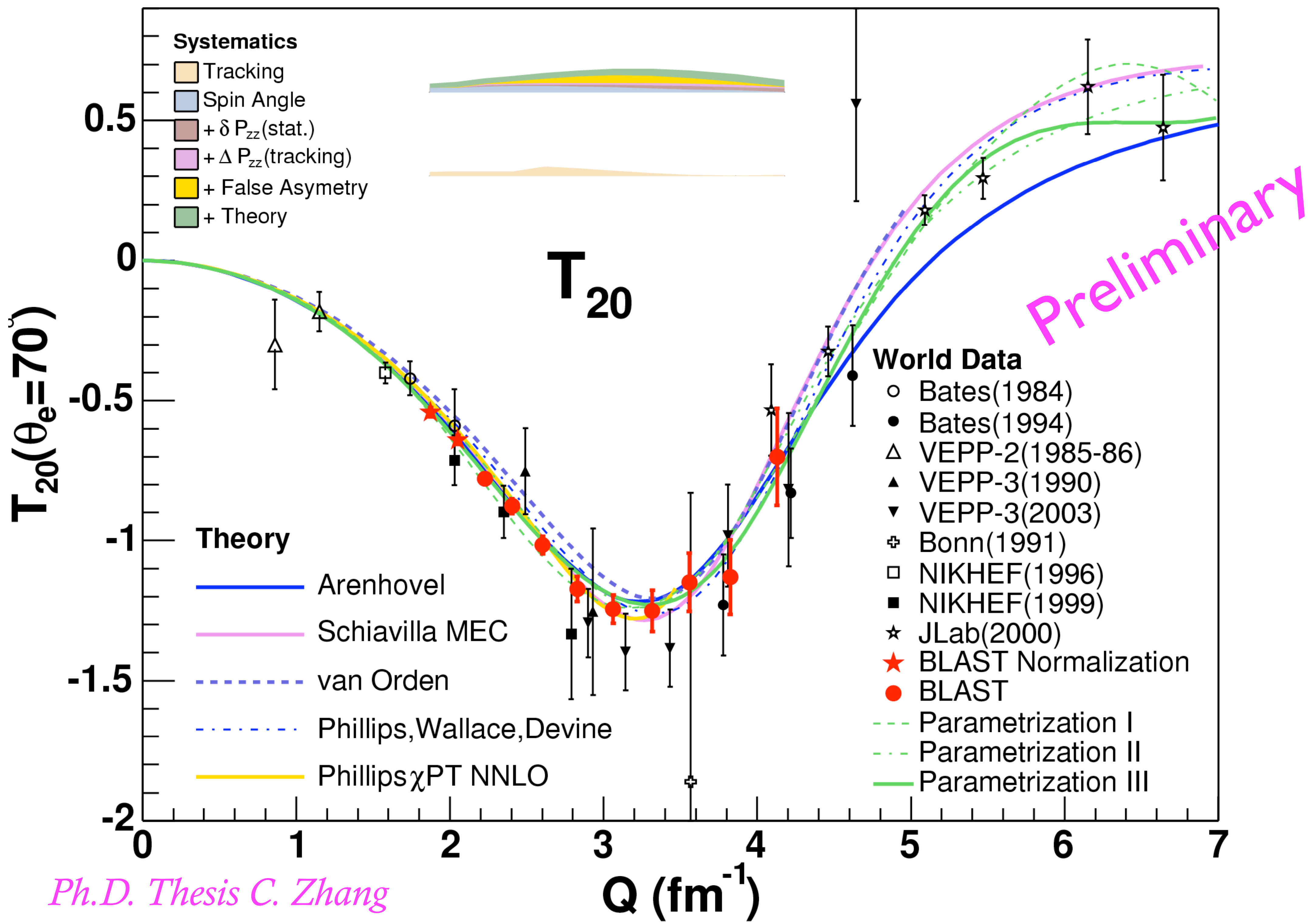
$$A(Q^2) = {G^d_C}^2 + \frac{8}{9}\eta^2 {G^d_Q}^2 + \frac{2}{3}\eta {G^d_M}^2$$

$$B(Q^2) = \frac{4}{3}\eta(1+\eta){G^d_M}^2; \qquad \eta = Q^2/(4M_d^2)$$

Need additional measurement - tensor asymmetry

$$T_{20} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}S}\left[\frac{8}{3}\eta G_C G_Q + \frac{8}{9}\eta^2 {G_Q}^2 + \frac{1}{3}\eta[1+2(1+\eta)\tan^2(\frac{\theta}{2}){G_M}^2\right]$$

T_{20}



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Reduced T_{20}

$$\tilde{T}_{20R} = -\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}Q_d Q^2}\tilde{T}_20$$

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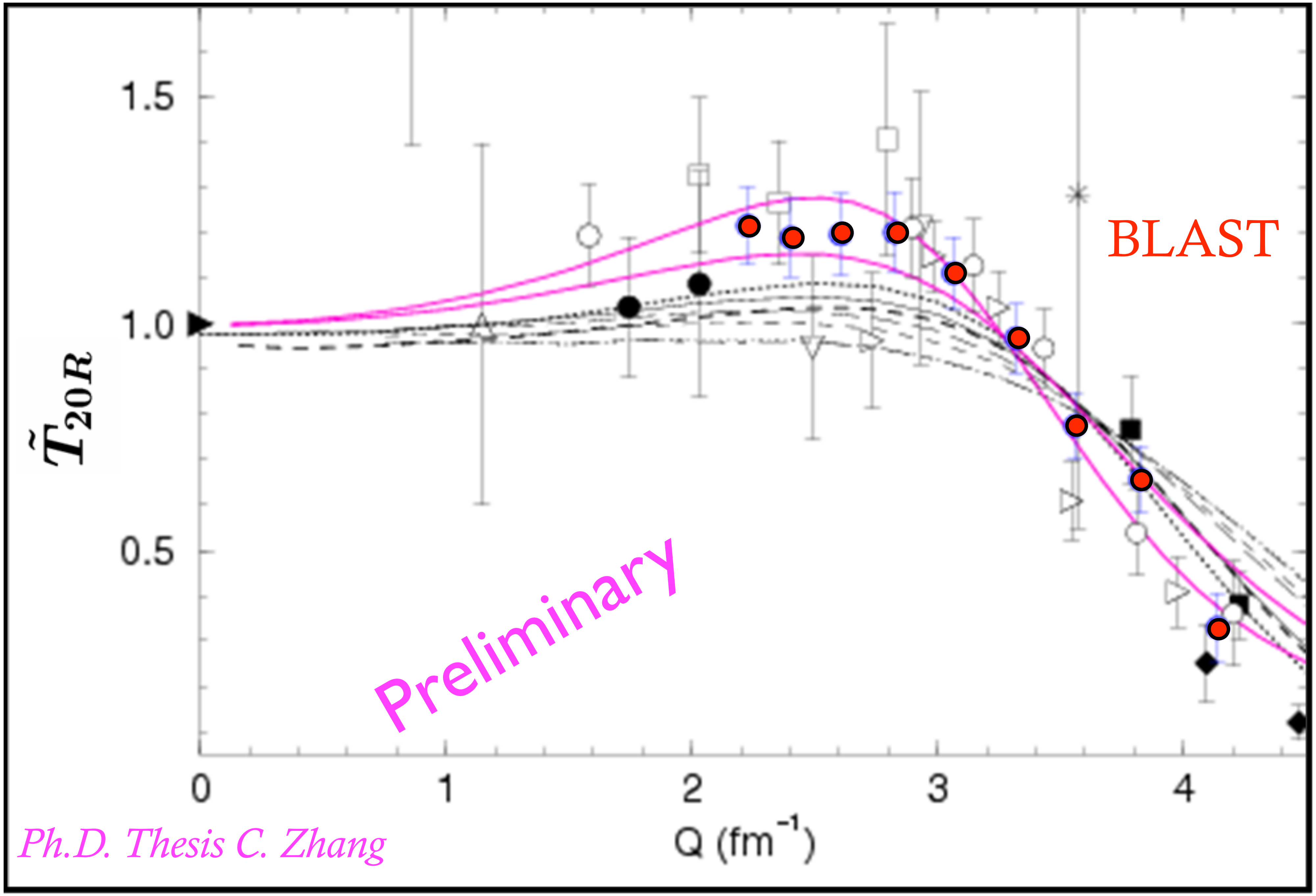

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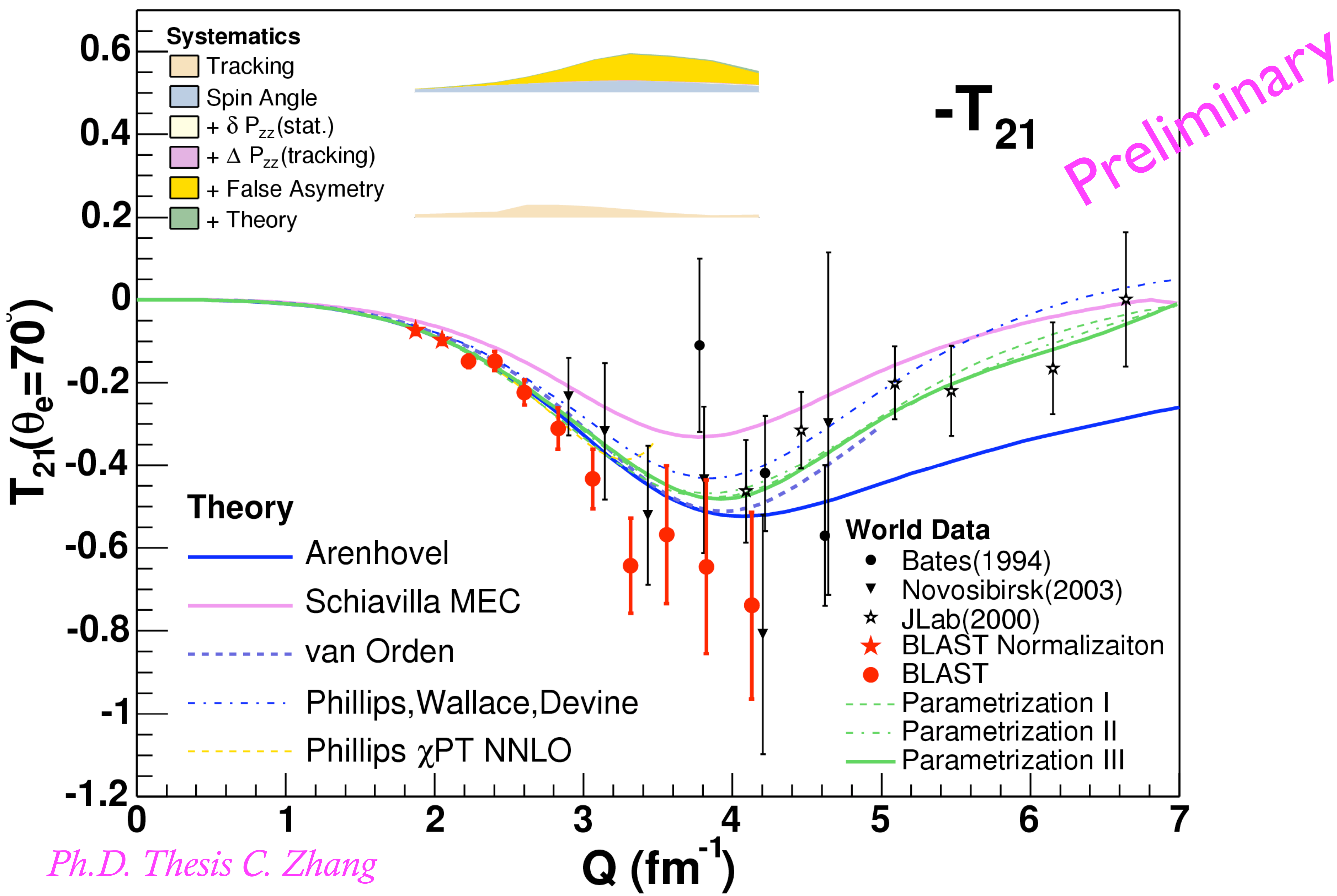

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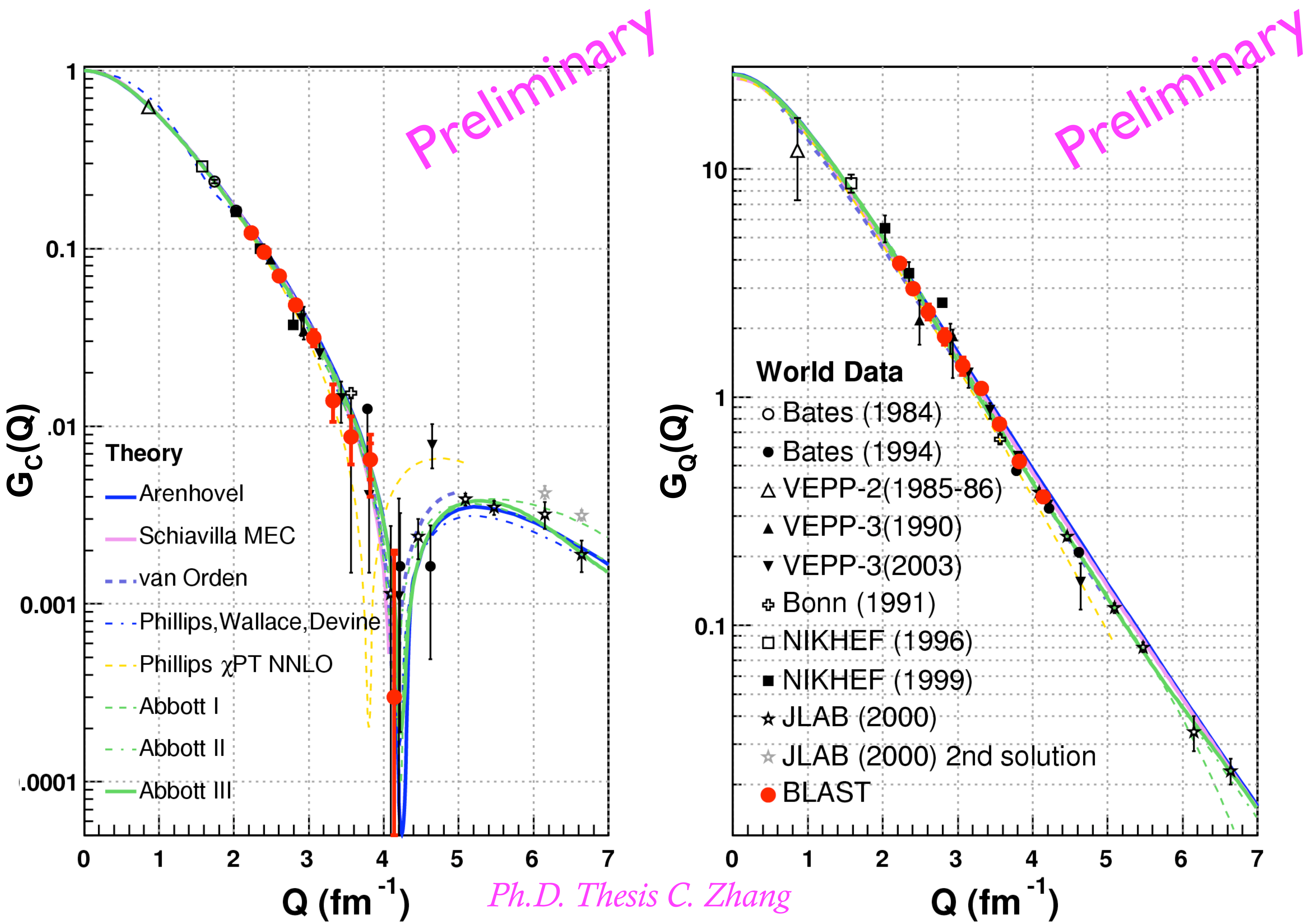
G_C and G_Q



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$G_C(Q)$
Theory
Arenhovel
Schiavilla MEC
van Orden
Phillips,Wallace,Devine
Phillips χPT NNLO
Abbott I
Abbott II
Abbott III
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Q (fm^{-1})
10
1
0.1
$G_Q(Q)$
World Data
Bates (1984)
Bates (1994)
VEPP-2(1985-86)
VEPP-3(1990)
VEPP-3(2003)
Bonn (1991)
NIKHEF (1996)
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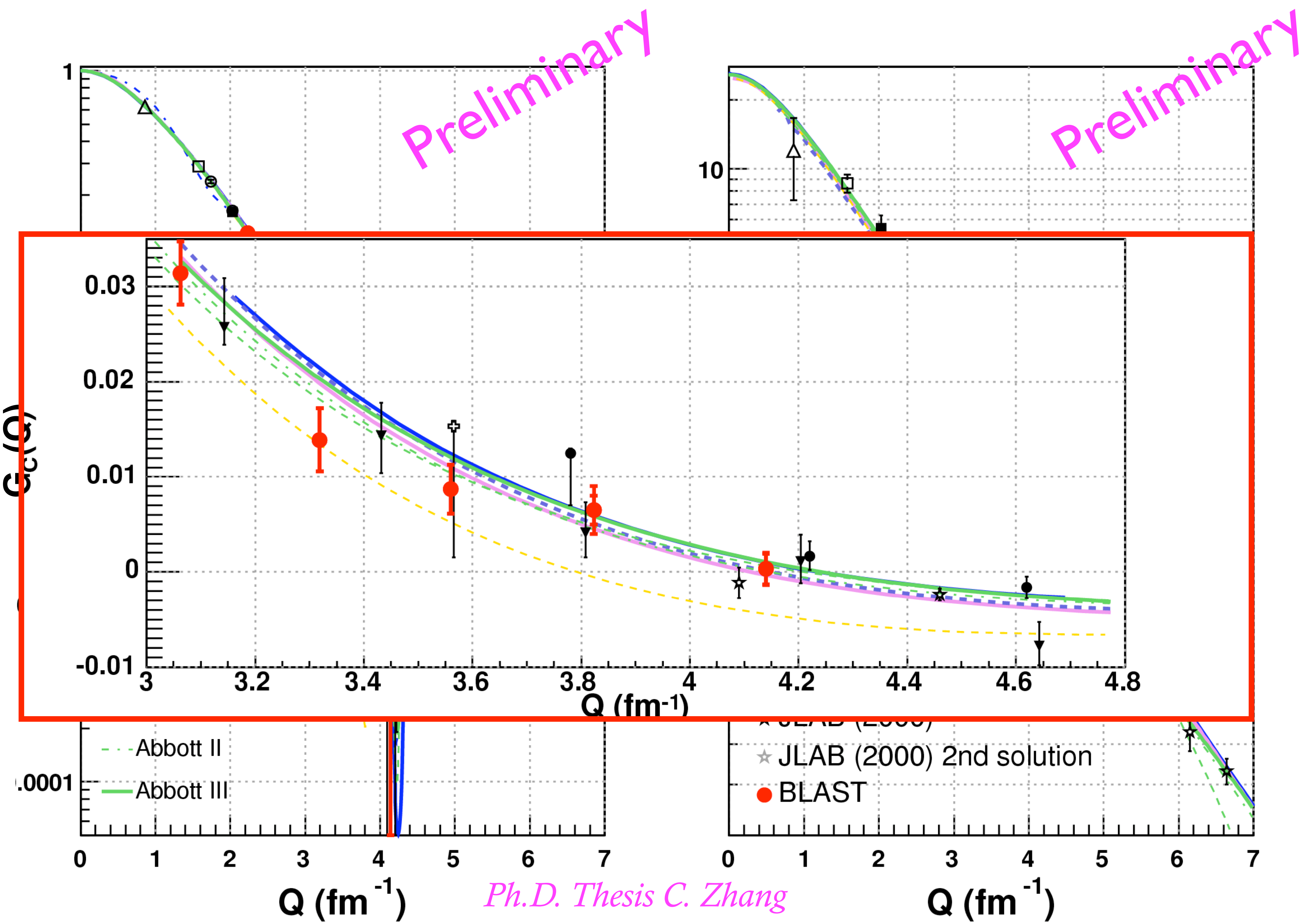

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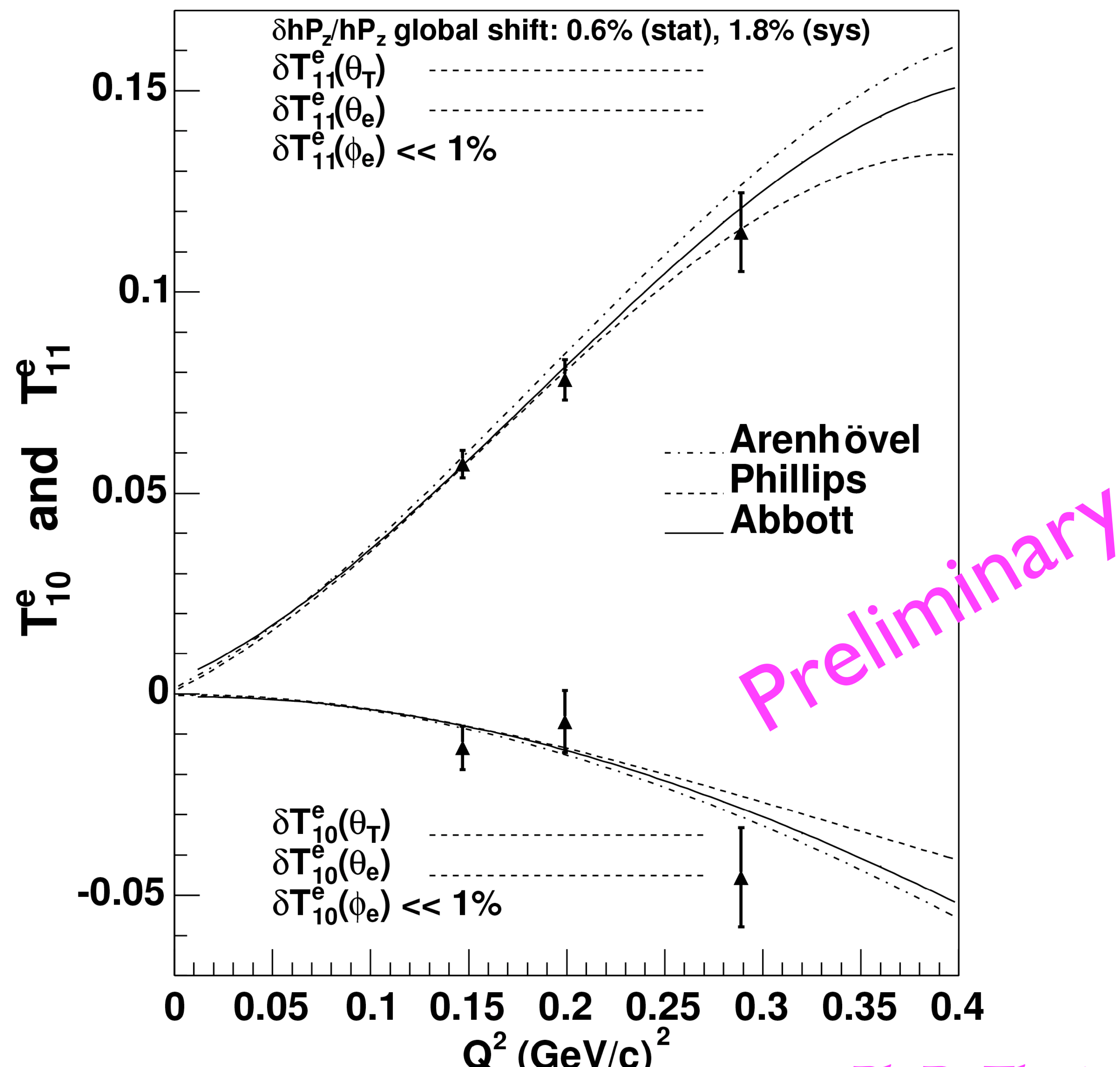
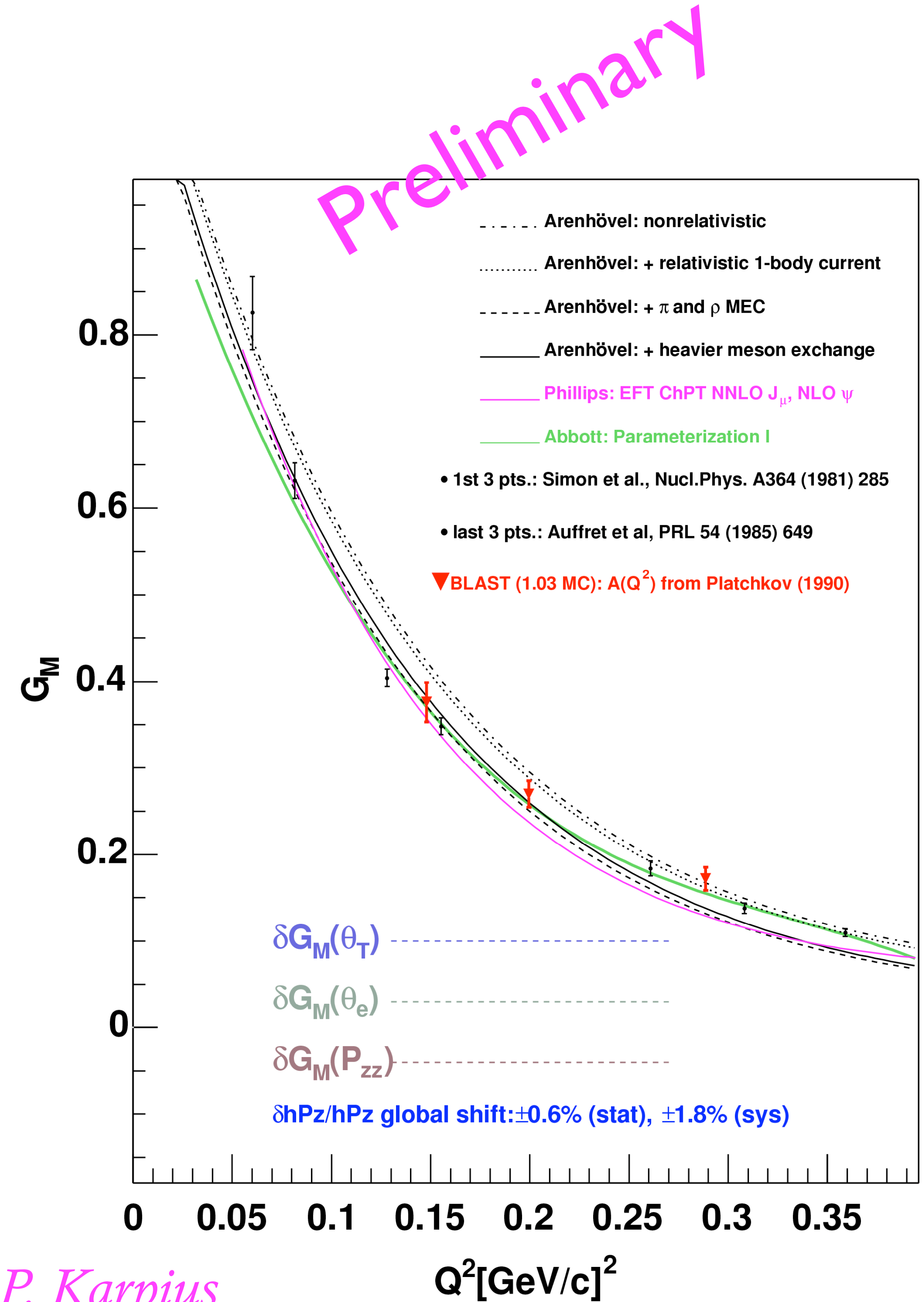
T^e_{10} and T^e_{11} and G^d_M





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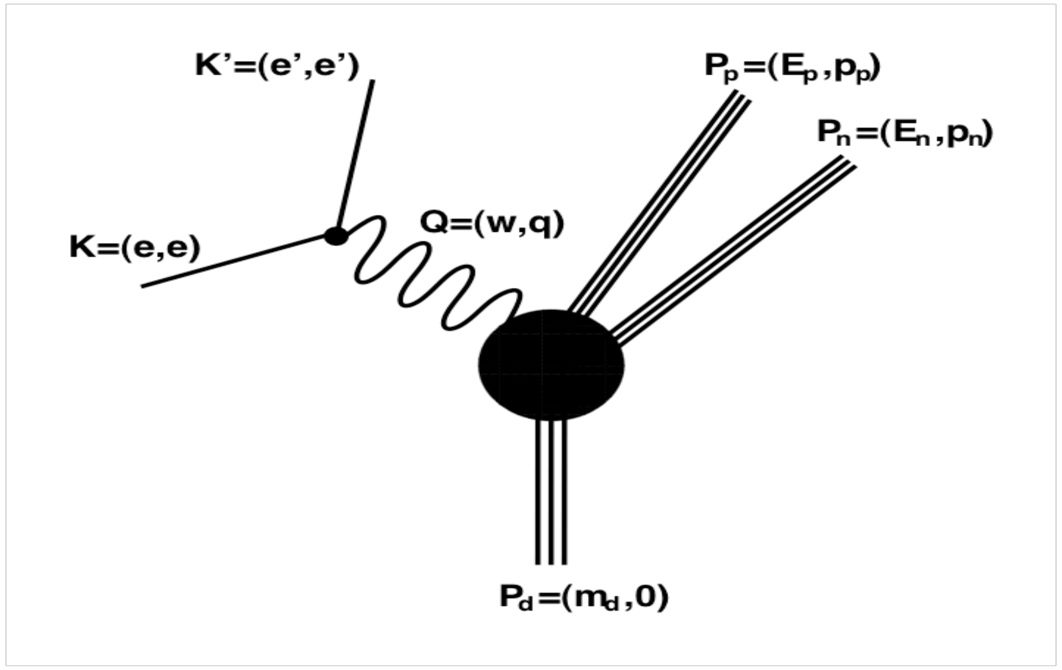
Quasi-Elastic Scattering from Deuterium

Deuteron readily breaks up

- $e + d \rightarrow e' + p + n$
- electro-disintegration



Spin-dependent d(e,e′N) cross section can be written as:

$$S(h, P_Z, P_{ZZ}) = S_0 \left[1 + P_Z A_d^V + P_{ZZ} A_d^T + h(A_e + P_Z A_{ed}^V + P_{ZZ} A_{ed}^T)\right]$$

In the Born approximation

$$A_d^V = A_e = A_{ed}^T = 0$$

Yielding:

$$S(h, P_Z, P_{ZZ}) = S_0 \left[1 + P_{ZZ} A_d^T + h P_Z A_{ed}^V\right]$$

$A_{ed}^V \propto G_E/G_M$

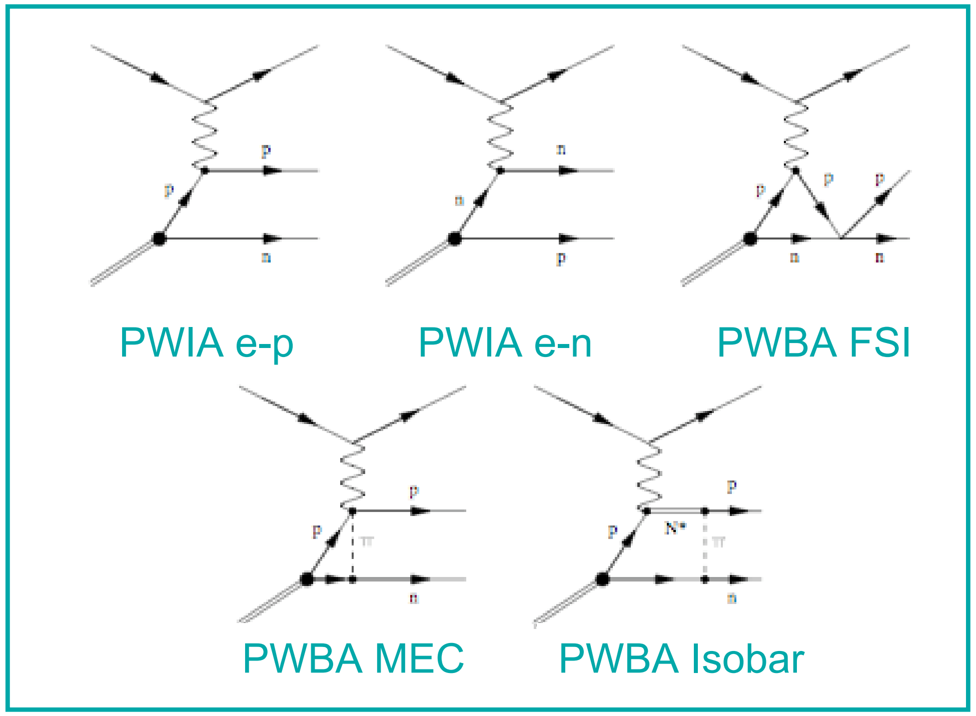
$A_d^T = 0$ for S state

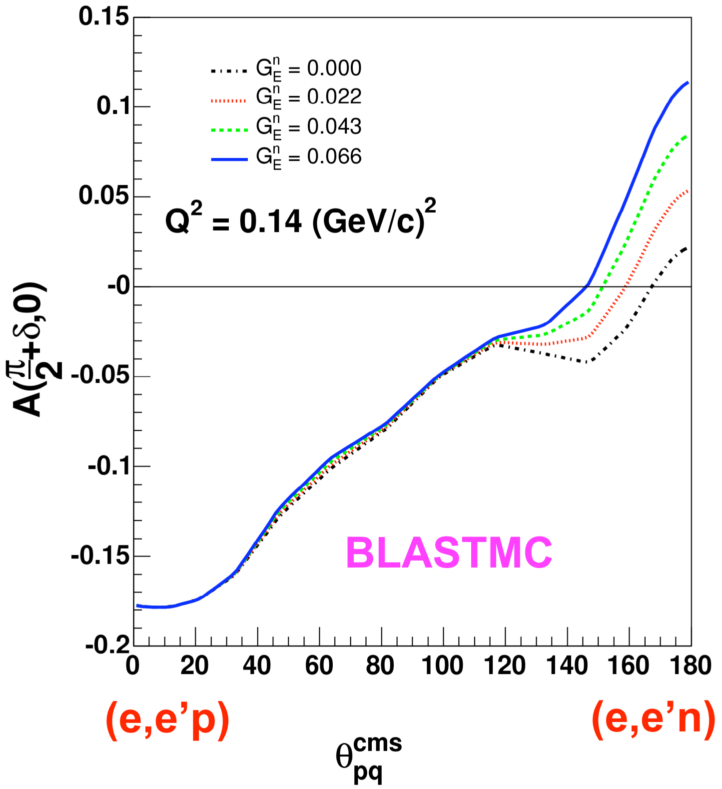
Extracting G^n_E from A^V_{ed}

$$A^V_{ed} = \frac{a {G^n_M}^2 \cos\theta^* + b G^n_E G^n_M \sin\theta^* \cos\phi^*}{c {G^n_E}^2 + {G^n_M}^2} \approx a\cos\theta^* + b\frac{G^n_E}{G^n_M}\sin\theta^* \cos\phi^*$$

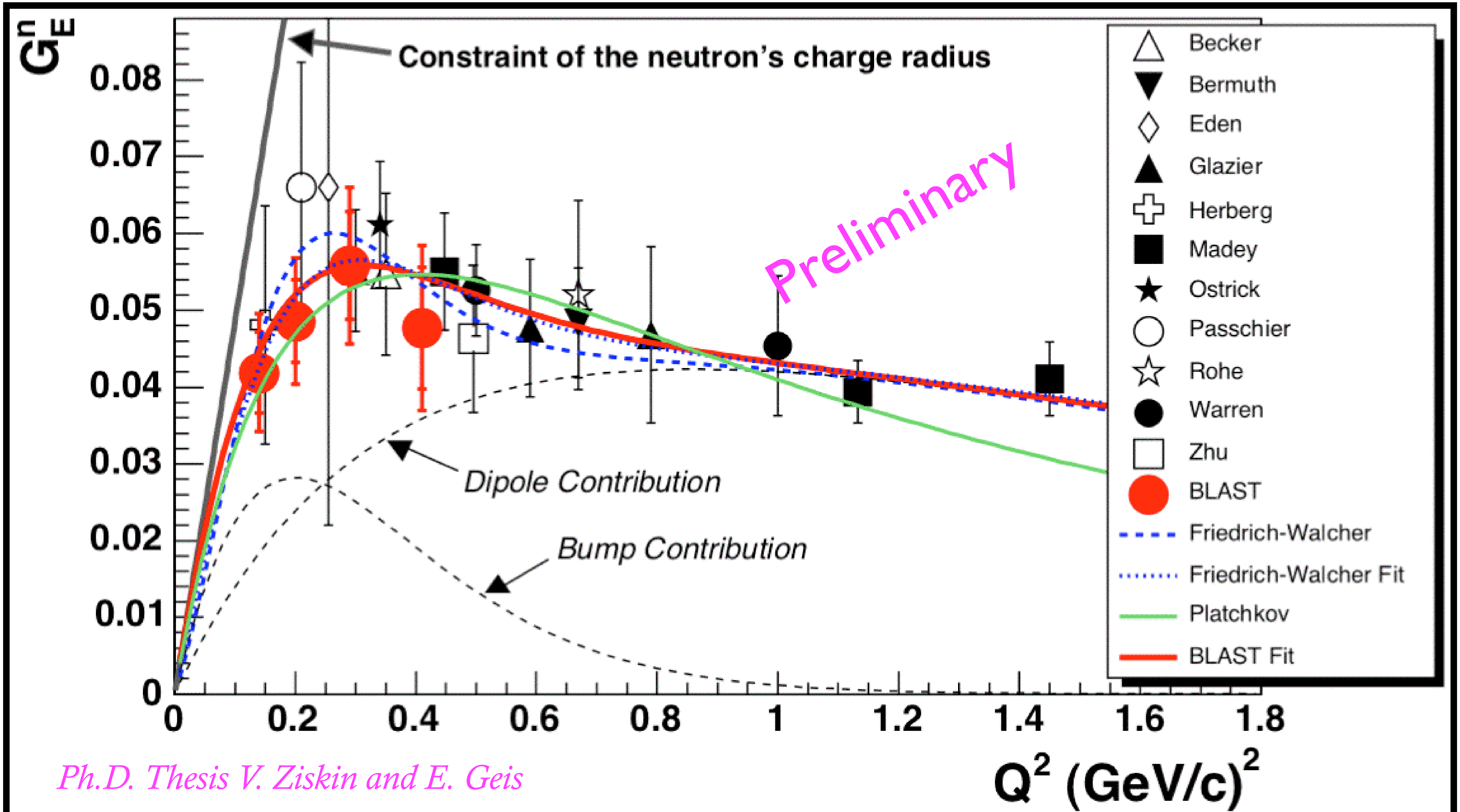
Beam-Target vector asymmetry gives G^n_E assuming G^n_M known

- full Monte Carlo simulation
- deuteron electro-disintegration by H. Arenhovel
- account for FSI, RC, IC, MEC
- "spin-perpendicular" kinematics shows largest effect





G^n_E from BLAST



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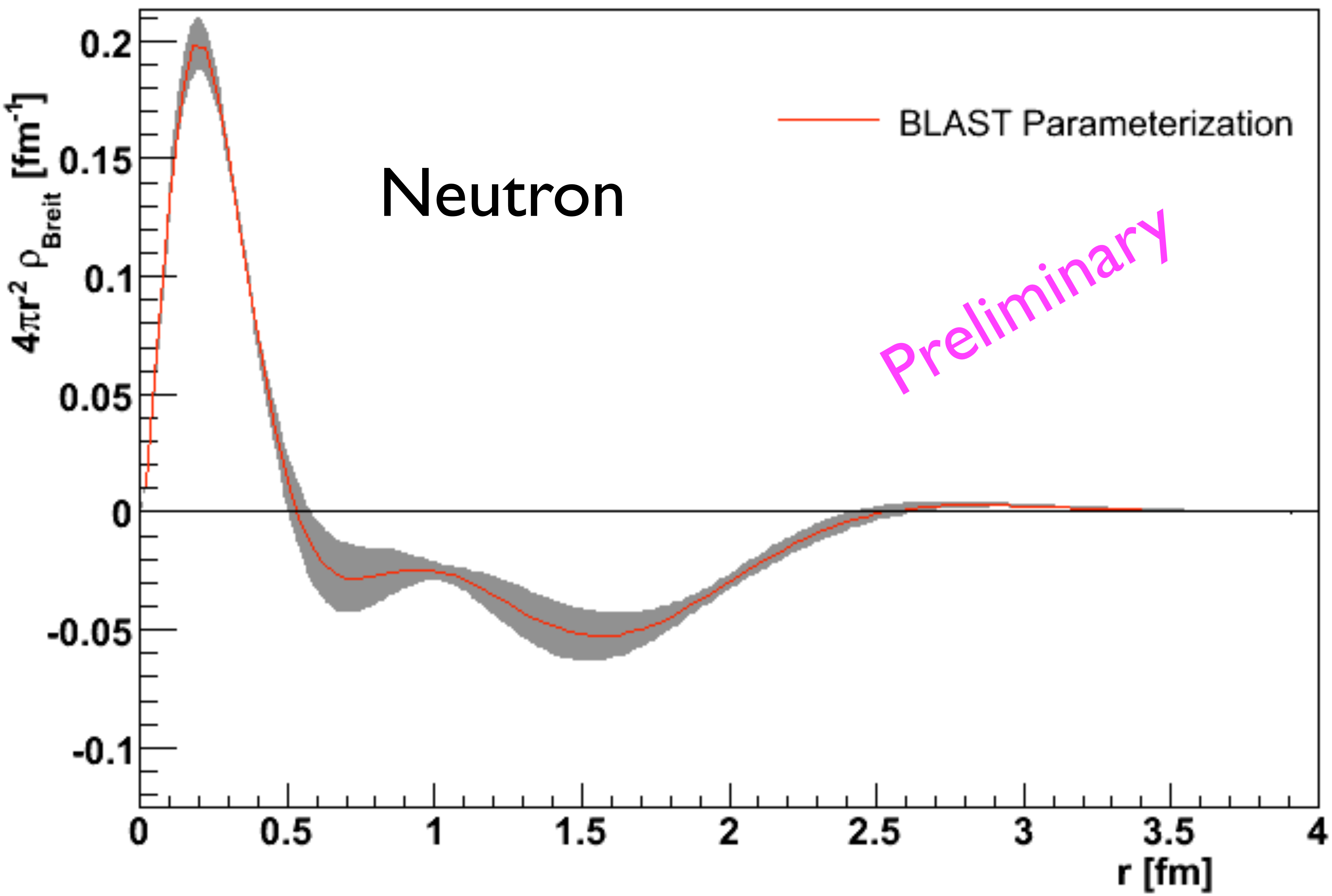

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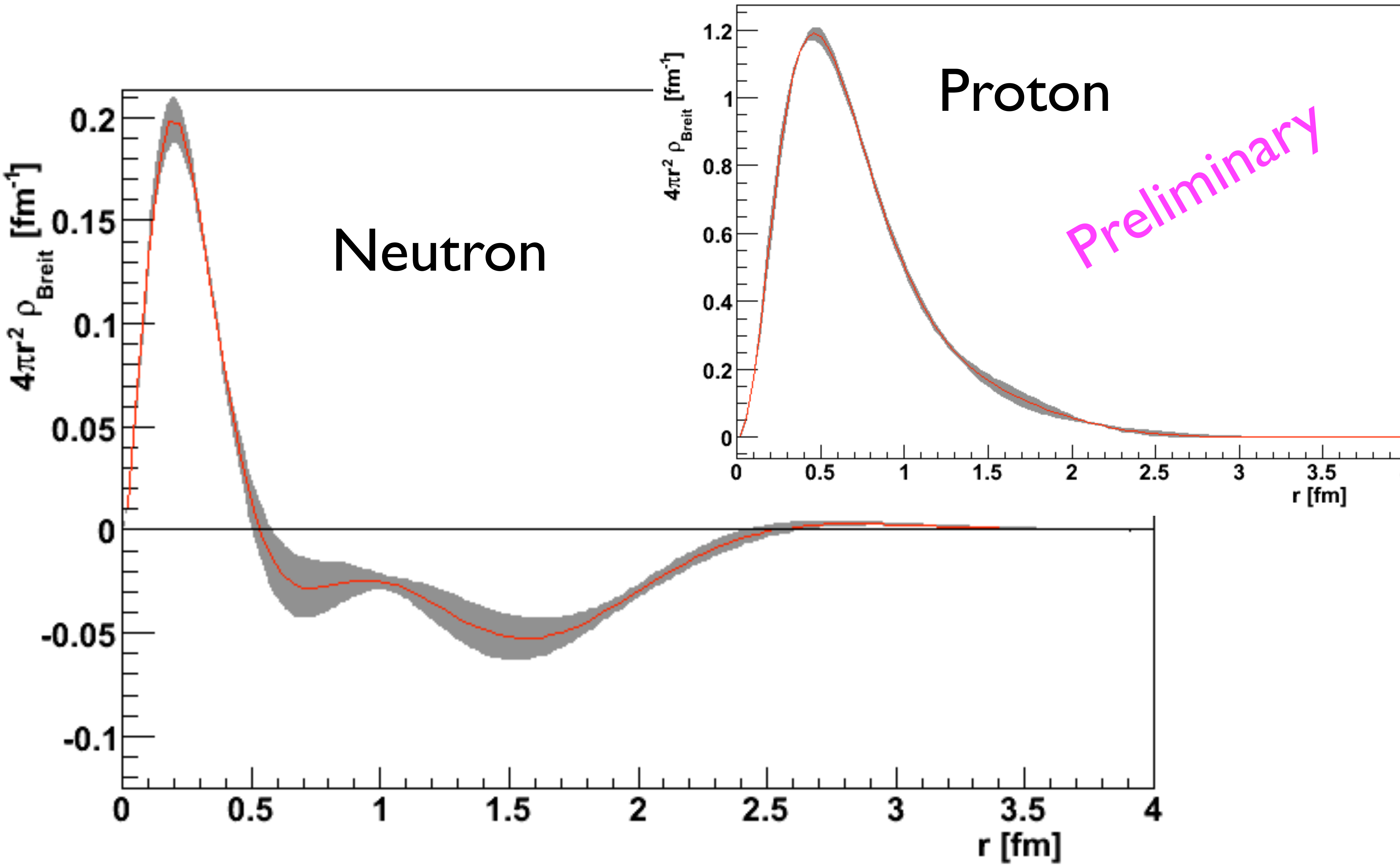
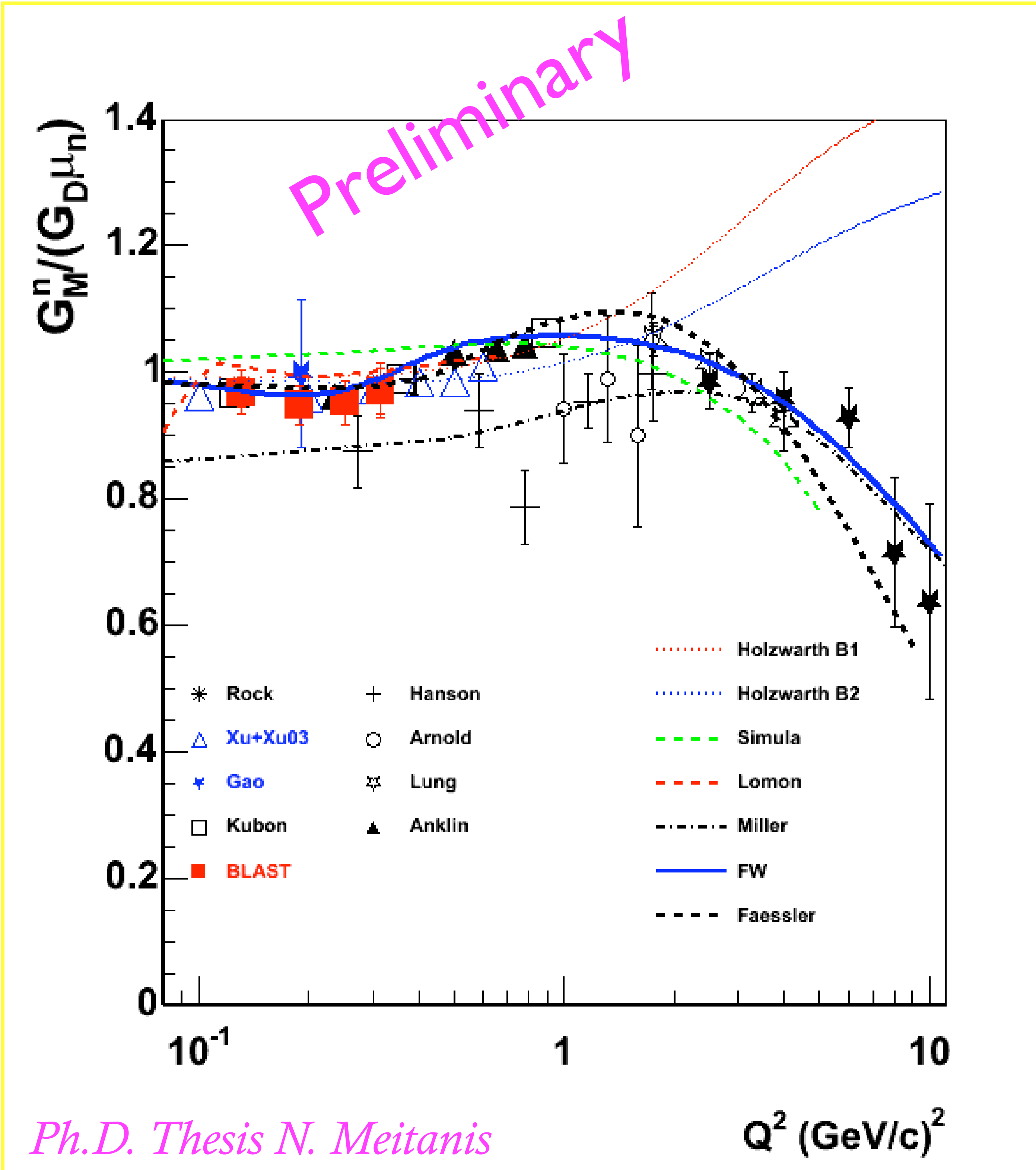


G^n_M from Inclusive Scattering



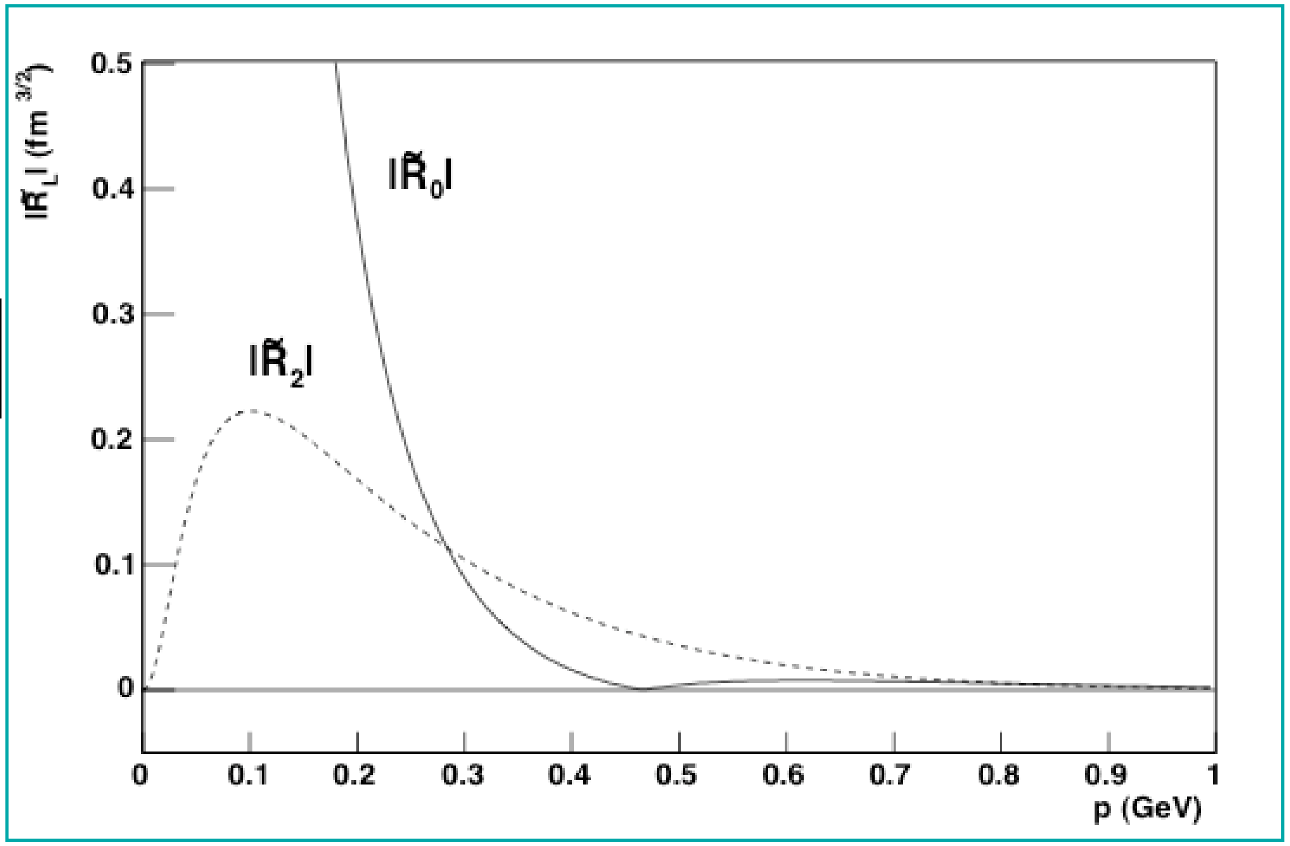
Deuteron Wavefunction

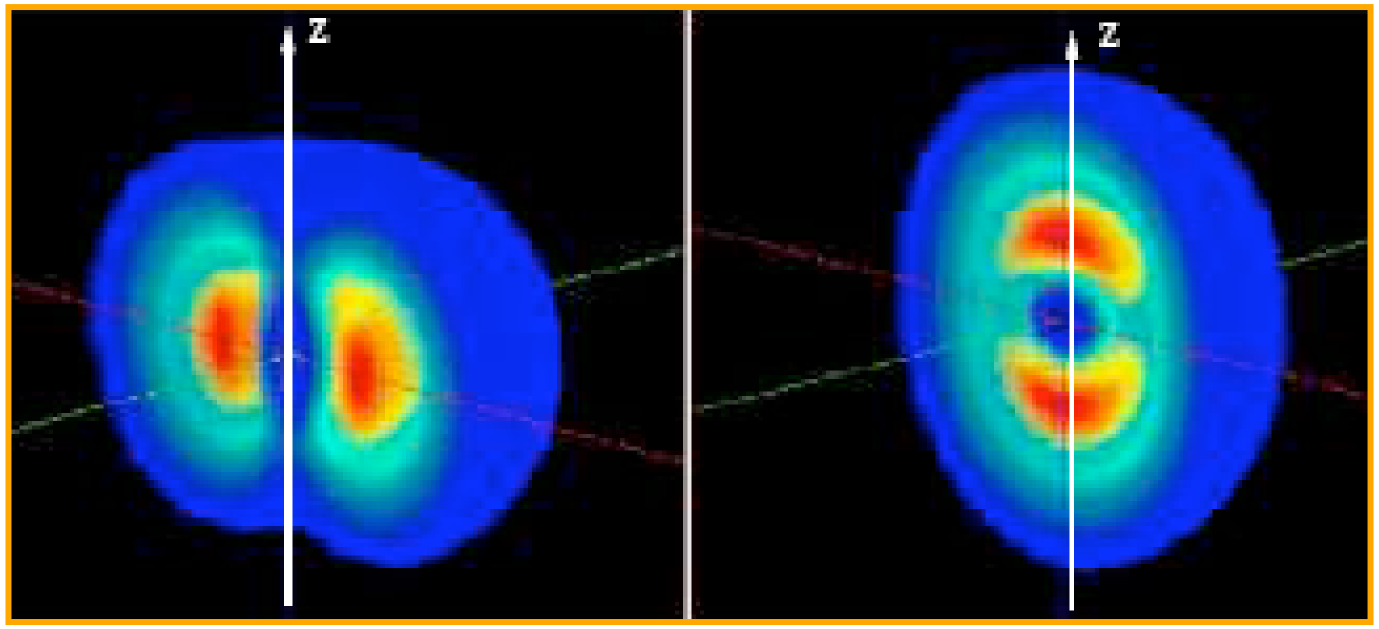
Deuteron wavefunction:

- L=0, 2 admixture

$$\psi^{m_d}(\vec{r}) = R_0(r)Y_{110}^{m_d}(\Omega_r) + R_2(r)Y_{112}^{m_d}(\Omega_r)$$

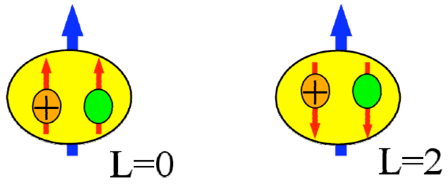
- S state minimum at p ~ 0.45 GeV
- D state significant at p > 0.3 GeV





D state normally 4-6 %

- but beyond 0.3 GeV dominant
- provides a regime to study tensor force
- in D state nucleon spins flip



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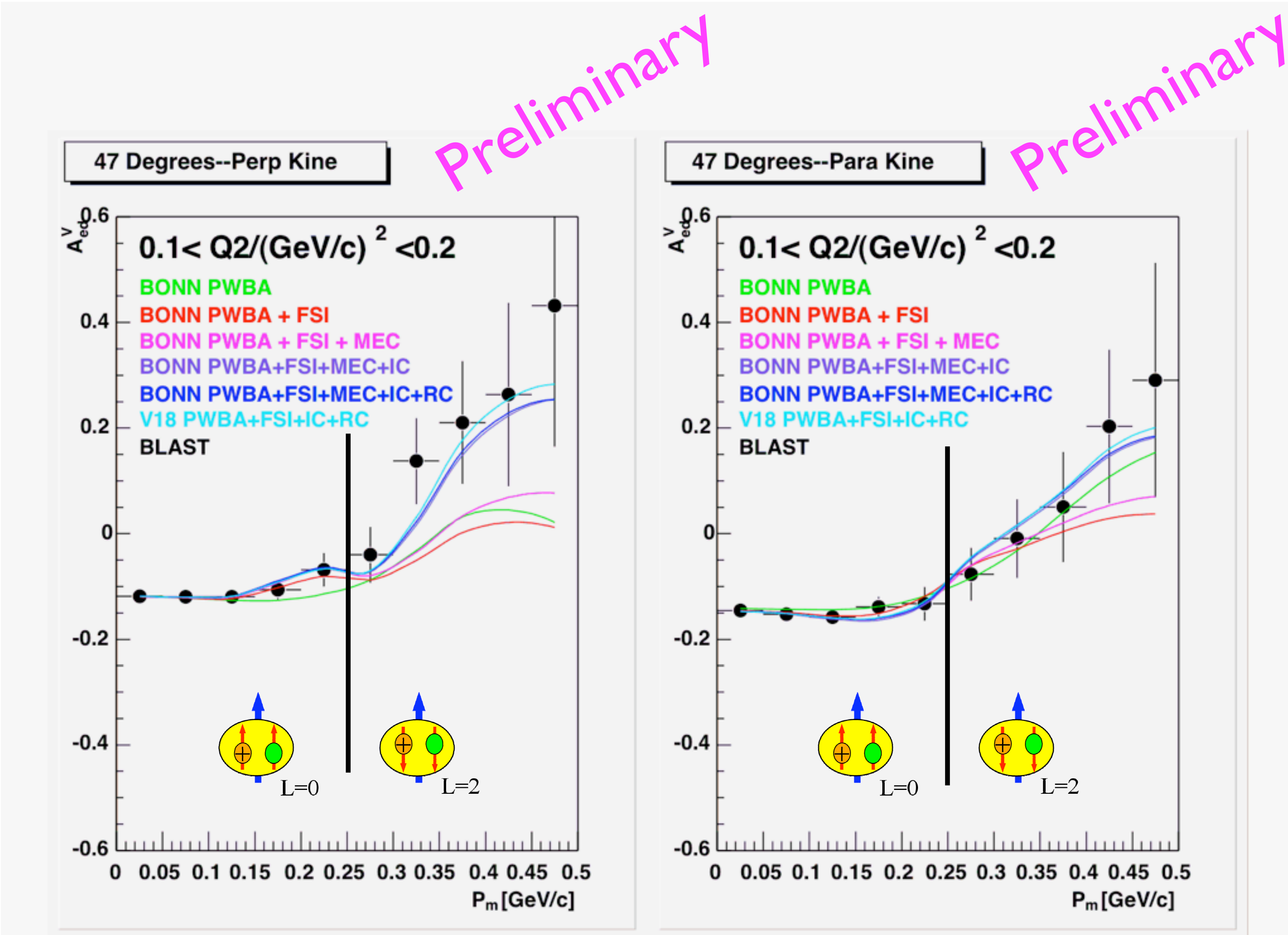

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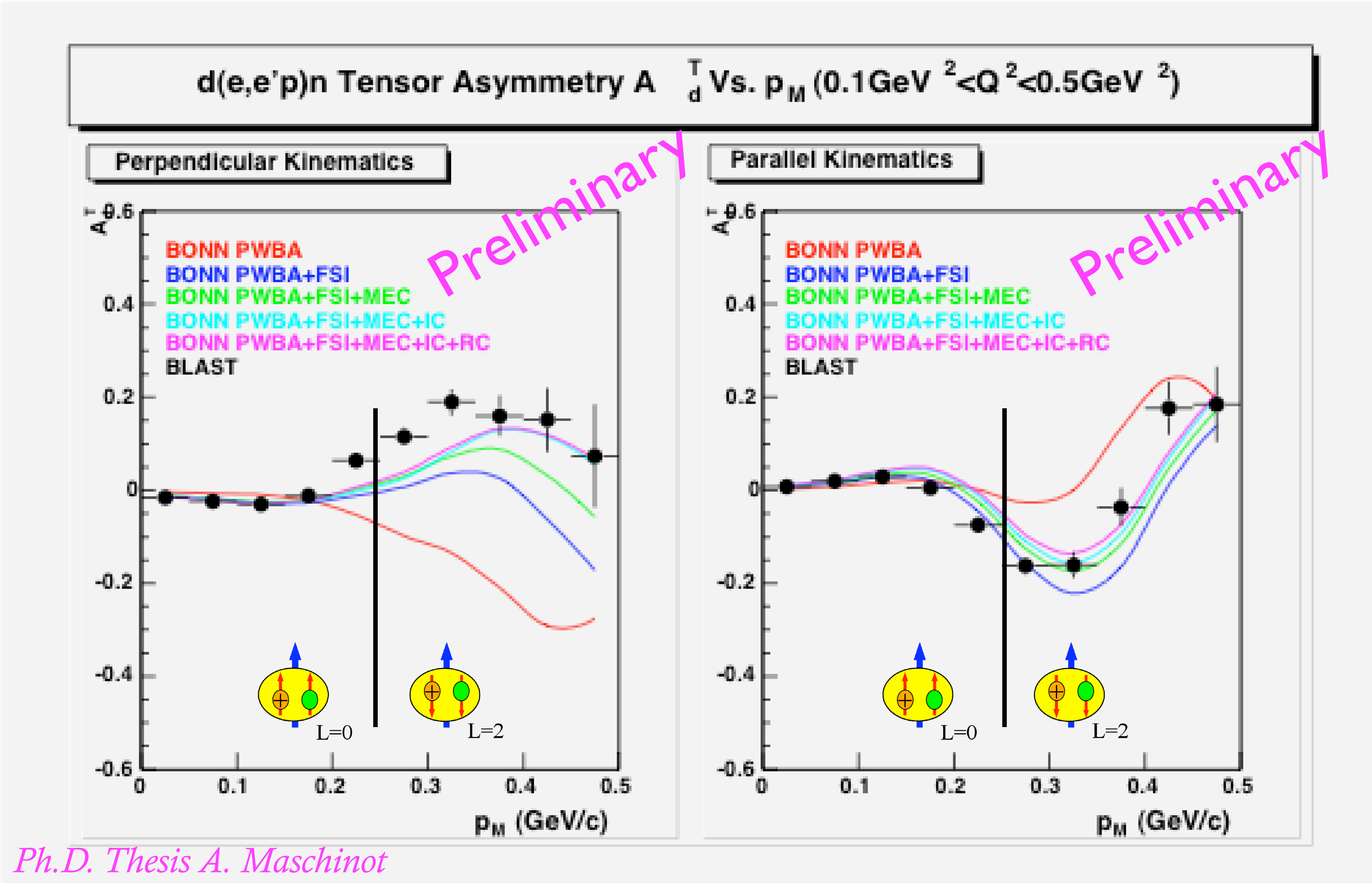

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