

# Future Measurements of the Neutron Magnetic Form Factor ( $G_M^n$ ) at Jefferson Lab

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EEFFs have played an essential role in nuclear and nucleon structure for more than a half century.

# Some Necessary Background

- EEFs cross section described with Dirac ( $F_1$ ) and Pauli ( $F_2$ ) form factors

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \sigma_{Mott} \left[ (F_1^2 + \kappa^2 \tau F_2^2) + 2\tau (F_1 + \kappa F_2)^2 \tan^2 \left( \frac{\theta_e}{2} \right) \right]$$

where

$$\sigma_{Mott} = \frac{\alpha^2 E' \cos^2(\frac{\theta_e}{2})}{4E^3 \sin^4(\frac{\theta_e}{2})}$$

and  $\kappa$  is the anomalous magnetic moment,  $E$  ( $E'$ ) is the incoming (outgoing) electron energy,  $\theta$  is the scattered electron angle and  $\tau = Q^2/4M^2$ .

- For convenience use the Sachs form factors.

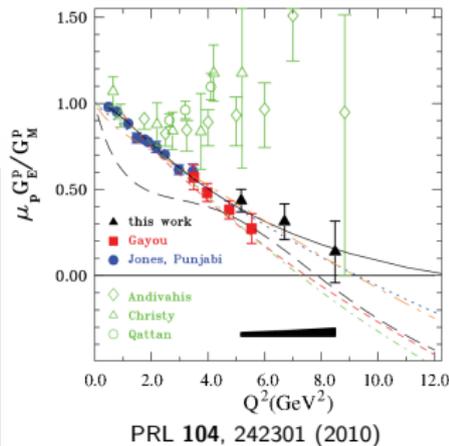
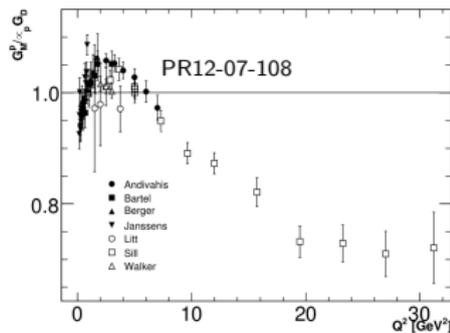
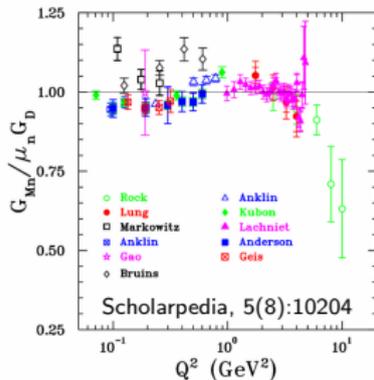
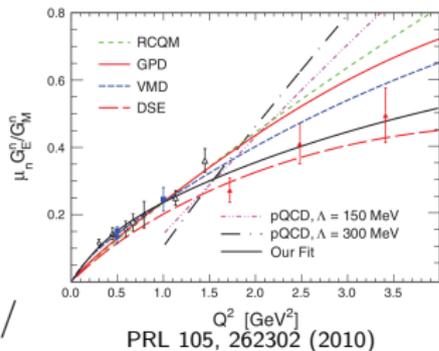
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where

$$G_E = F_1 - \tau F_2 \quad \text{and} \quad G_M = F_1 + F_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon = \left[ 1 + 2(1 + \tau) \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2} \right]^{-1}$$

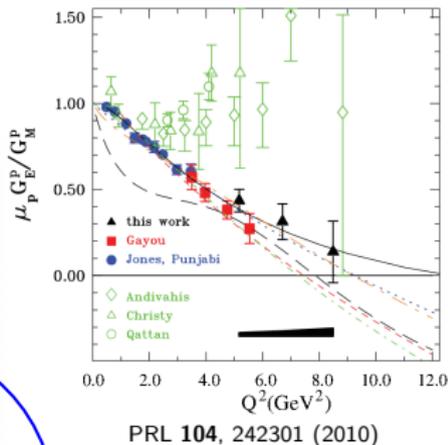
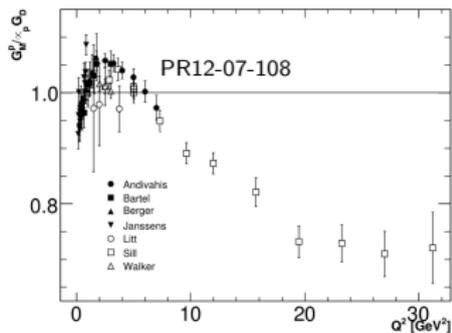
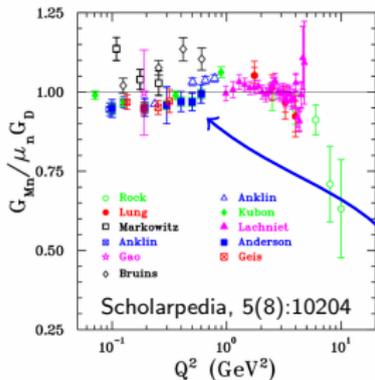
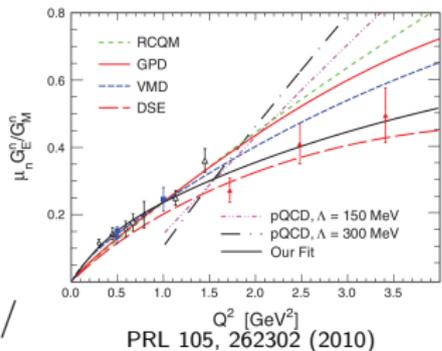
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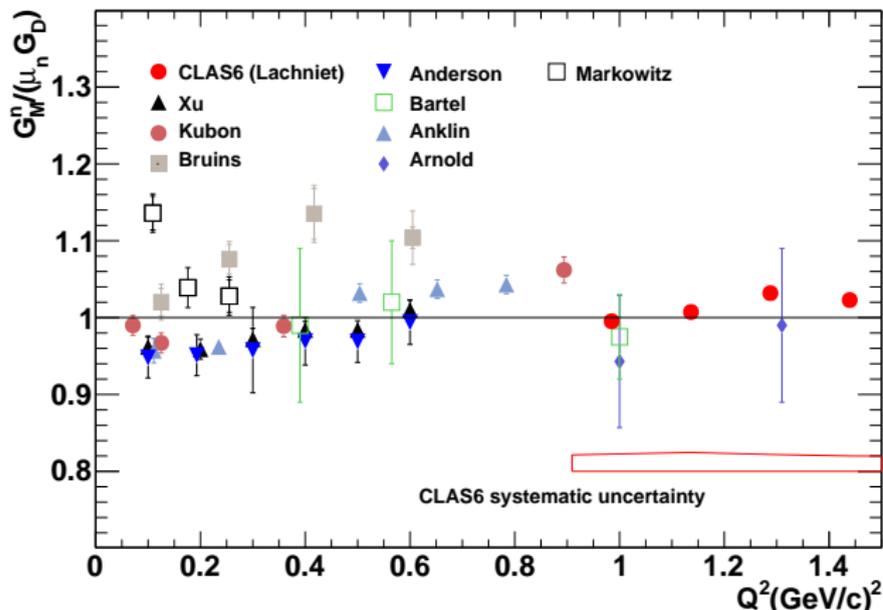
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# Tension in Low- $Q^2$ $G_M^n$ measurements



Experiments used ratio method unless noted otherwise.

Author	Reference	NDE Method	Author	Reference	NDE Method
Lachniet	PRL 102, 192001 (2009)	$^1\text{H}(e, e' \pi^+ n)$	Anderson <sup>1</sup>	PRC 75, 034003 (2007)	NA
Xu <sup>1</sup>	PRC 67, 012201 (2003)	NA	Bartel	NP B58, 429 (1973)	$^1\text{H}(\gamma, \pi^+ n)$
Kubon	PLB 524, 26 (2002)	$^1\text{H}(n, p)n$	Anklin	PLB 336, 313 (1998)	$^1\text{H}(n, p)n$
Arnold <sup>2</sup>	PRL 61, 806 (1988)	NA	Anklin	PLB 426, 248 (1998)	$^1\text{H}(n, p)n$
Bruins	PRL 75, 21 (1995)	$^1\text{H}(\gamma, \pi^+ n)$	Markowitz <sup>3</sup>	PRC 48, R5, (1993)	$^2\text{H}(\gamma, np)$

1 -  $^3\text{He}(e, e')$

2 -  $^2\text{H}(e, e')$

3 -  $^2\text{H}(e, e' n)$

# Where We Are Going - New Experiments

## The JLab Lineup

Quantity	Method	Target	$Q^2$ (GeV <sup>2</sup> )	Hall	Beam Days
$G_M^n$	$E - p/e - n$ ratio	$LD_2 - LH_2$	3.5 - 13.0	B	30
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$G_M^p$	Elastic scattering	$LH_2$	7 - 15.5	A	24
$G_E^p/G_M^p$	Polarization transfer	$LH_2$	5 - 12	A	45
$G_E^n/G_M^n$	Double polarization asymmetry	polarized $^3\text{He}$	5 - 8	A	50
$G_E^n/G_M^n$	Polarization transfer	$LD_2$	4 - 7	C	50

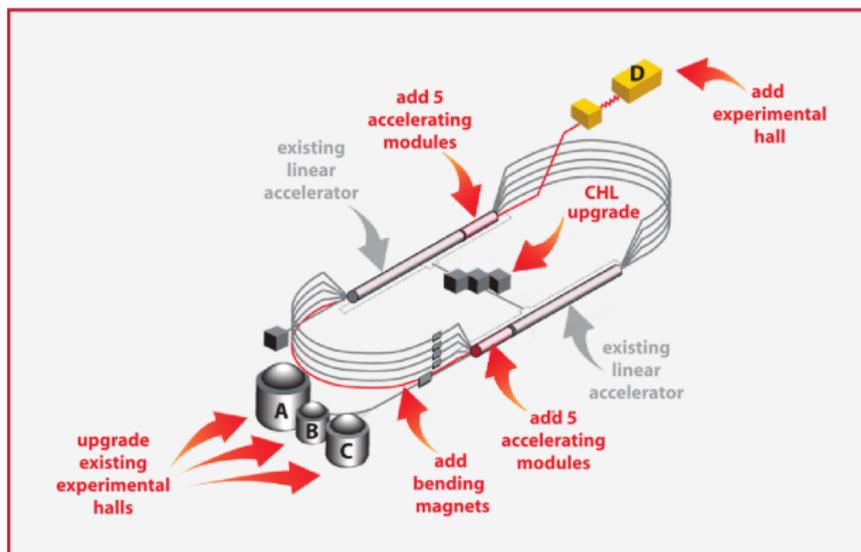
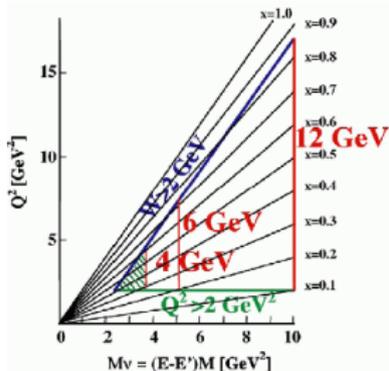
All experiments build on successful ones from the 6-GeV era.

Why two for  $G_M^n$ ?

'... the PAC is convinced that proposed measurement is very valuable to determine the magnetic form factor with high precision. Both experiments using different equipment, this will allow a better control for the systematic error on  $G_M(n)$  - '

- PAC34 Report on Hall A  $G_M^n$ .

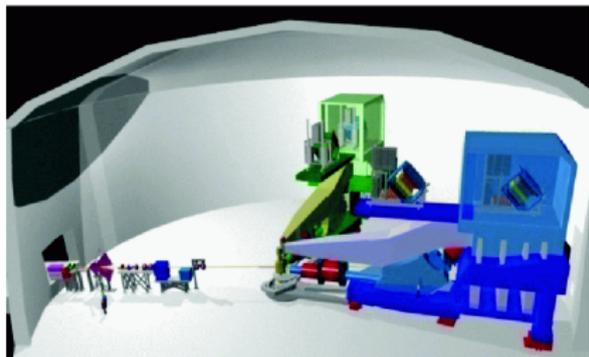
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## Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility (CEBAF)

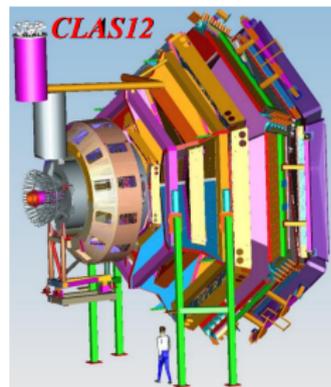
- Superconducting Electron Accelerator (338 cavities), 100% duty cycle.
- $E_{max} = 11 \text{ GeV}$  (Halls A, B, and C) and 12 GeV (Hall D),  $\Delta E/E \approx 2 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $I_{summed} \approx 90 \mu\text{A}$ ,  $P_e \geq 80\%$ .

# The Experiments - New Detectors



Hall A - High Resolution Spectrometer (HRS) pair, SuperBigBite (SBS), neutron detector, and specialized installation experiments.

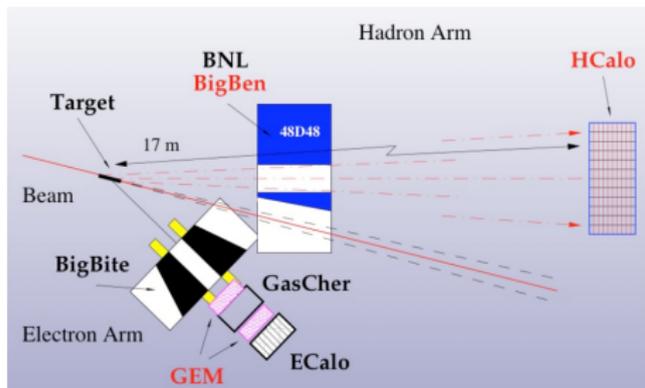
E12-09-019 (Quinn, Wojtsekhowski, Gilman)



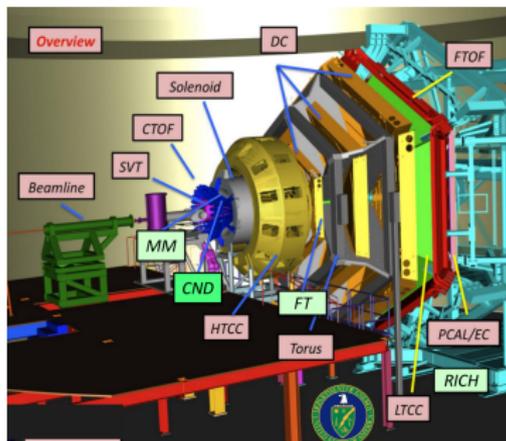
Hall B - CLAS12 large acceptance spectrometer operating at high luminosity with toroid (forward detector) and solenoid (central detector).

E12-07-104 (Gilfoyle, Hafidi, Brooks)

# The Experiments - Detector Summaries



SBS - 2-3 Tesla\*m magnet, solid angle 70 msr at 15 deg, GEM chambers (70 m resolution),  $\Delta p/p \approx 0.5\%$ ,  $\Delta\theta \approx 0.5$  mr, open geometry, small hadron angles accessible, can sustain high luminosity running.



Hall B - Large acceptance with toroidal magnet ( $B_{max} \approx 3.5$  T) and solenoid ( $B_{center} \approx 5$  T) with multiple systems (drift chambers, calorimeters, TOF, Cherenkov, vertex trackers) for particle identification and tracking ( $\Delta p/p \approx 1\%$ ).

# The $G_M^n$ Measurement - Ratio Method on Deuterium

- Use deuterium as a neutron target.
- Same method used by both Hall A and Hall B experiments.
- Simultaneously measure  $e - p$  and  $e - n$  events in quasi-elastic (QE) kinematics.
- Ratio Method on Deuterium:

$$R = \frac{\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} [{}^2\text{H}(e, e'n)_{QE}]}{\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} [{}^2\text{H}(e, e'p)_{QE}]} = a \times \frac{\sigma_{Mott}^n \left( \frac{(G_E^n)^2 + \tau(G_M^n)^2}{1+\tau} + 2\tau \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2} (G_M^n)^2 \right)}{\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} [{}^1\text{H}(e, e')p]}$$

where  $a$  is nuclear correction close to one. So

$$G_M^n = \pm \sqrt{\left[ R \frac{\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} [{}^1\text{H}(e, e')p] (1+\tau_n)}{a\sigma_{Mott}^n} - G_E^{n2} \right] \frac{\epsilon_n}{\tau_n}}$$

- Reduces sensitivity to changes in running conditions, nuclear effects, radiative corrections, Fermi motion corrections.
- Take advantage of the experience from CLAS6 measurement of  $G_M^n$ .

# The $G_M^n$ Measurement - Running Conditions

## Hall A

- QE kinematics.
- Electron arm: ECal (SBS).
- Hadron arm: HCal (SBS) with BigBen dipole.
- Kinematics:  
 $Q^2 = 3.5 - 13.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$ .
- Beamtime: 25 days.
- When?: 2019

## Hall B

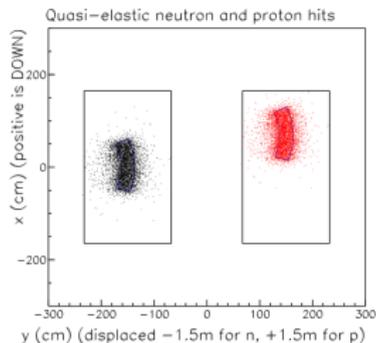
- QE kinematics.
- Electrons, protons: CLAS12 forward detector.
- Neutrons: forward Time-of-Flight (FTOF) AND calorimeters (PCAL/EC).
- Kinematics:  
 $Q^2 = 3.5 - 13.0 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$ .
- Beamtime: 30 days.
- When?: First runs in 2018.

Precise measurement of the neutron detection efficiency (NDE) is needed for both.

# Proton/Neutron Selection

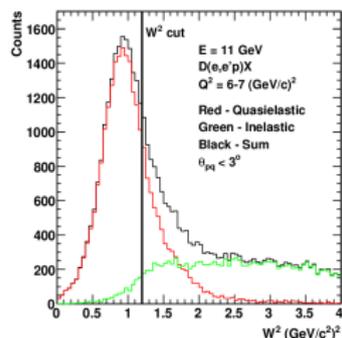
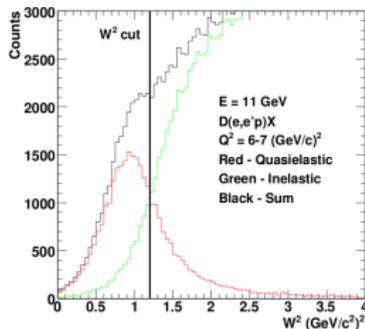
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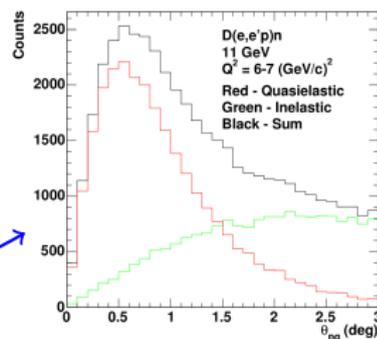
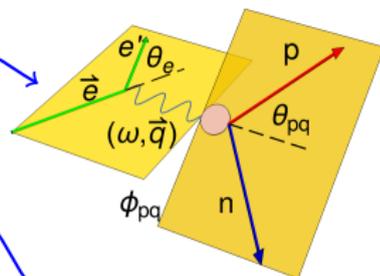
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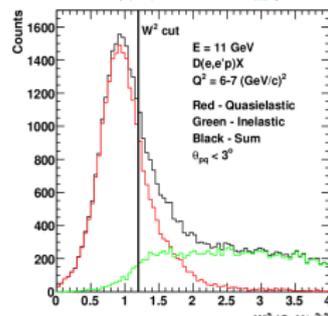
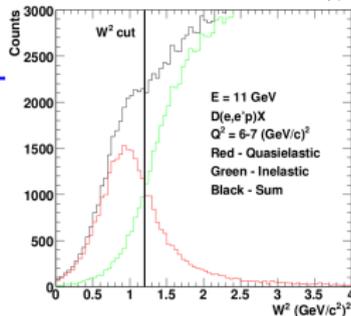
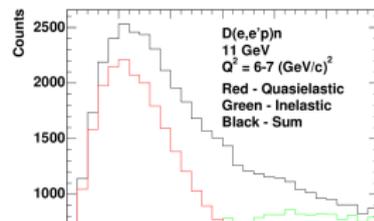
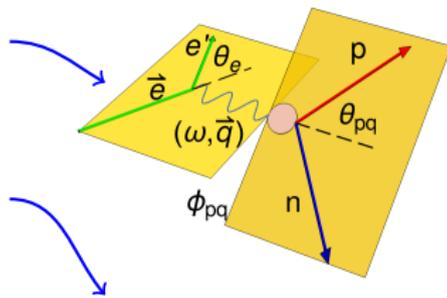
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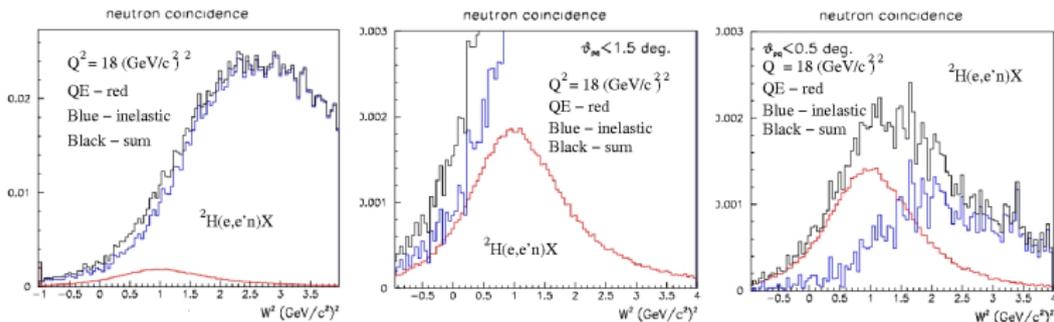


# Using $\theta_{pq}$ Cut to Reduce Inelastic Background

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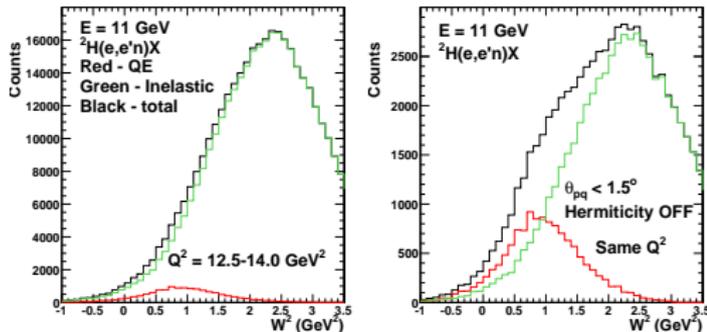
Good statistical precision in Hall A.



- Hall B: Same method can be applied in CLAS12.

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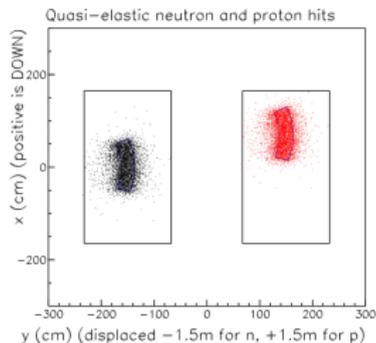
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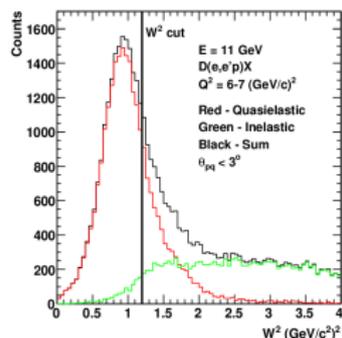
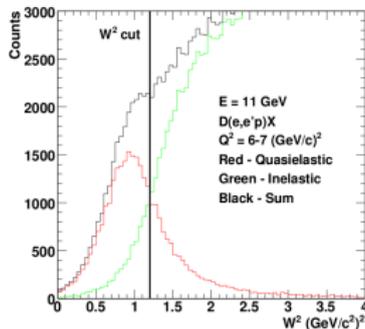
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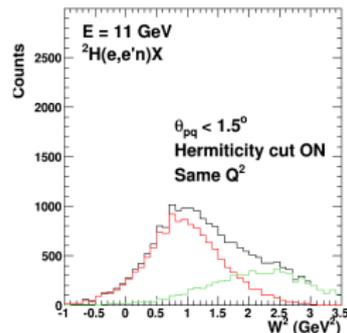
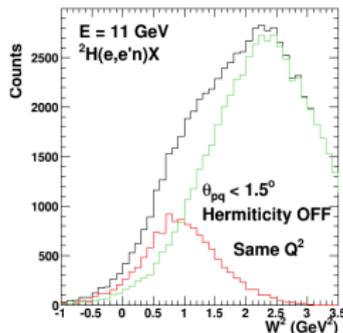
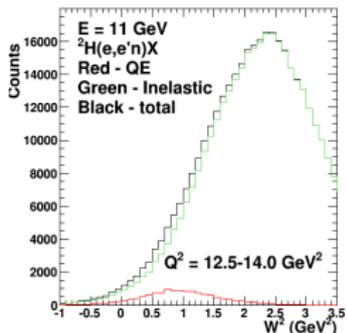


# Hermiticity Cut to Reduce Inelastic Background in CLAS12

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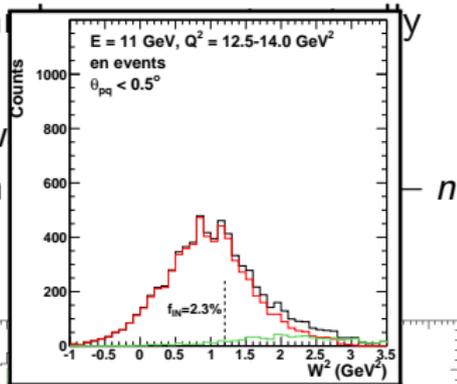
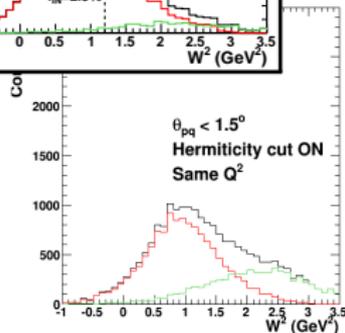
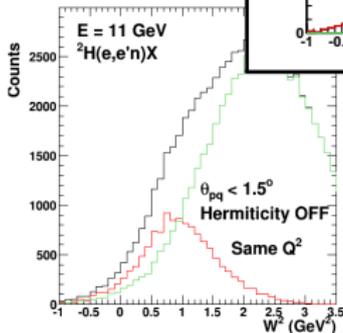
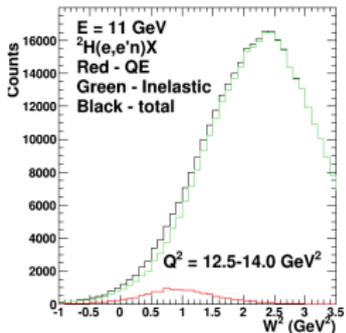


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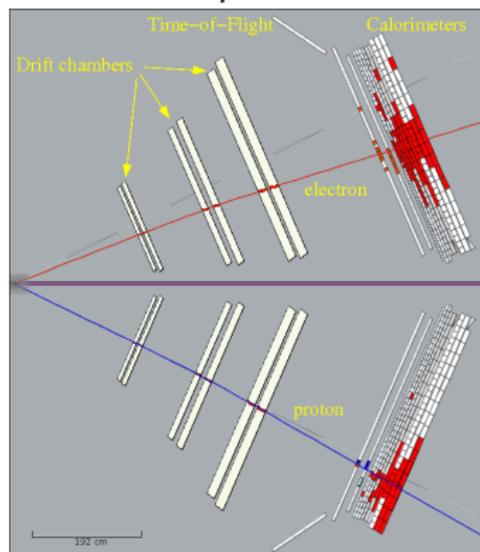
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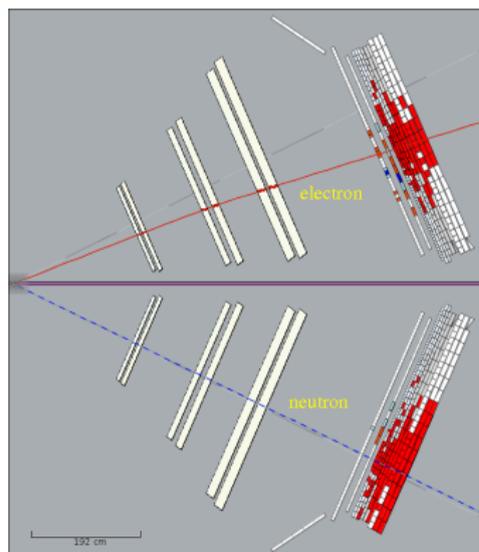
# Acceptance Matching

- Use the measured electron information to predict the trajectory of the associated QE proton and neutron (yes, both).
- Swim the predicted neutron and proton tracks through CLAS12.
- Check that both hadron tracks strike the fiducial volume of CLAS12.
- If both strike CLAS12 continue the analysis, otherwise throw it out.

$e - p$  event

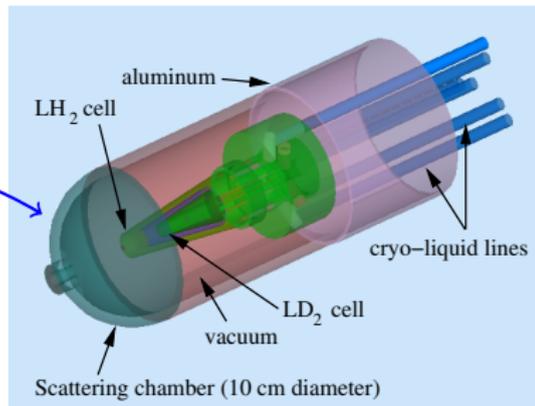
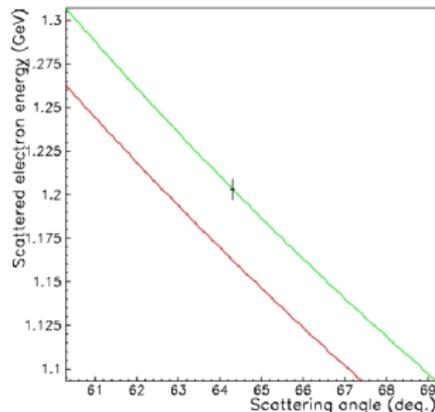


$e - n$  event



# Measuring Proton Detection Efficiency

- Hall A: Measure  $ep \rightarrow e'p$  elastic scattering on  $LH_2$  calibration target.
- Use electron information to tag proton location in HCal (reconstructed nucleons).
- Proton detection efficiency is ratio of found protons to reconstructed.
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- Hall B: Use similar method to Hall A with dual-cell  $LH_2-LD_2$  target.
- Dual-cell target provides *in-situ* calibration under production running conditions.

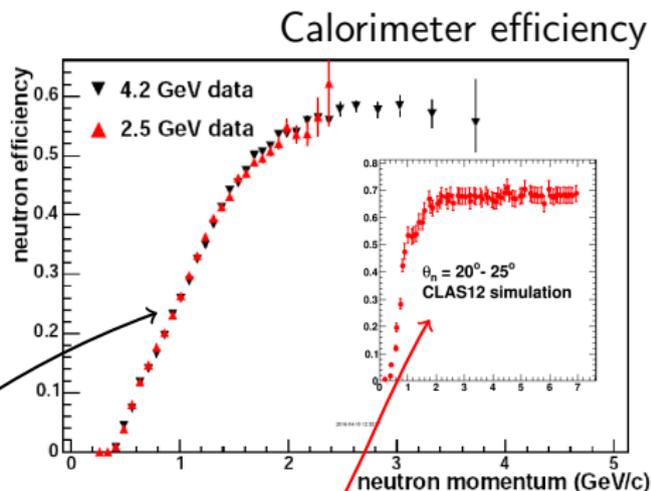


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- Insert copper radiator in front of  $LH_2$  proton target to produce bremsstrahlung photon beam.
- Use  $p(\gamma, \pi^+)n$  as source of tagged neutrons - detect  $\pi^+$  in HRS and tag neutron expected in HCal (reconstructed neutron).
- Select  $\pi^+$  using end-point method. Suppress lower-momentum  $\pi^+$ 's from three-body interactions by requiring  $p_{\pi^+}$  exceed upper limit by 1.5% (SBS has 0.5% resolution.)
- Neutron detection efficiency (NDE) is ratio of observed neutrons (found neutrons) to reconstructed.
- Events from  $p(e, \pi^+)$  will contribute a relatively small background that can be studied with the radiator removed.
- Good match to kinematics of the production reaction.
- Expect  $\lesssim 2\%$  contribution to the systematic uncertainty from the neutron detection efficiency.

# Measuring Neutron Detection Efficiency in Hall B

- Use proton target in dual-cell cryo-target for *in-situ* NDE measurement under running conditions.
- Measure  $ep \rightarrow e'\pi^+n$  from  $LH_2$  cell to make tagged neutrons in the TOF and calorimeter.
- Detect electrons and  $\pi^+$  in CLAS12 forward detector.
- Select neutrons with missing mass cut on  $ep \rightarrow e\pi^+X$ .
- Use  $e'\pi^+$  information to tag neutron location (reconstructed neutron).
- NDE is ratio of found neutrons to reconstructed ones.
- CLAS6  $G_M^n$  results. Simulation results for CLAS12 are shown in the inset. CLAS12 measurement is at higher momentum where the efficiency is stable.



# Systematic Uncertainties (%)

Hall A (at 13.5 (GeV/c<sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>)

Quantity	$\Delta R/R$
HCal calibration	2.0
proton $\sigma$	1.7
Inelastic contamination	3.24
accidentals	< 0.07
Nucleon mis-identification	0.5
Nuclear Corrections	< 0.2
$G_E^n$	0.38
Target windows	0.2
Acceptance losses	0.1
Radiative corrections	< 0.2

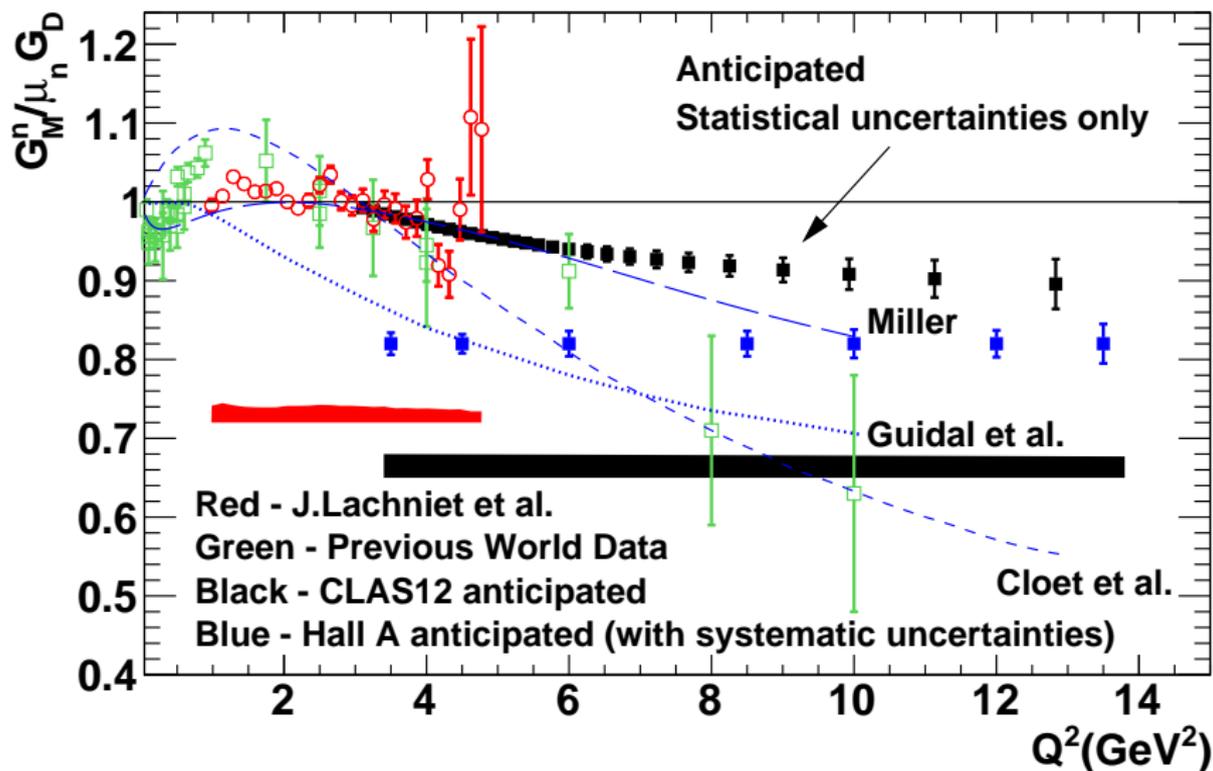
$\Delta G_M^n / G_M^n$	2.1
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Hall B (maximum values)

Quantity	$\Delta R/R$
Neutron efficiency	< 0.7
proton $\sigma$	< 1.5
Background subtraction	< 1.0
neutron accidentals	< 0.3
neutron proximity cut	< 0.2
Nuclear Corrections	< 0.2
$G_E^n$	< 0.7
$\theta_{pq}$ cut	< 1.0
Fermi loss correction	< 0.9
Neutron MM cut	< 0.5
proton efficiency	< 0.4
Radiative corrections	< 0.2

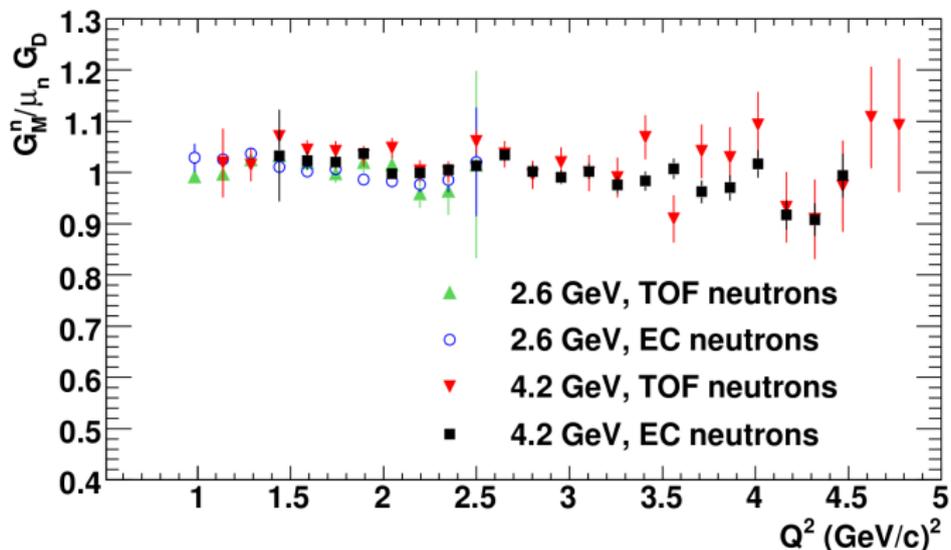
$\Delta G_M^n / G_M^n$	3.1
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# Anticipated Results

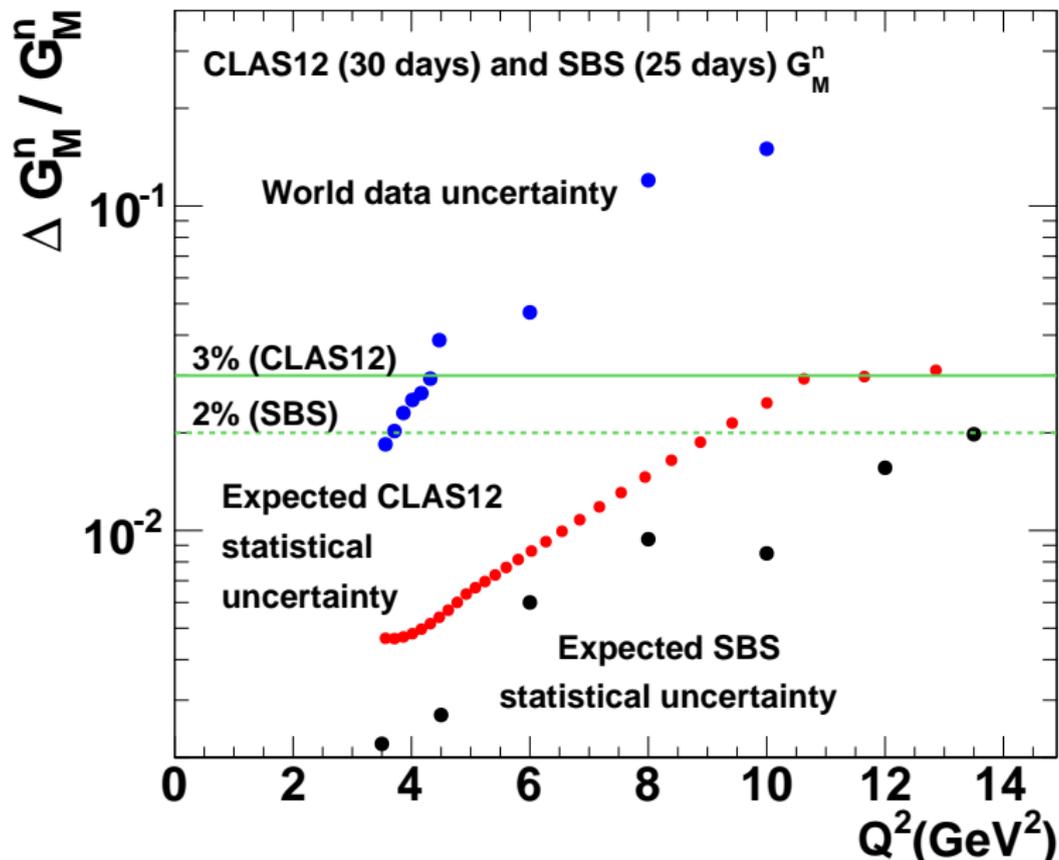


# Consistency Checks

- Large overlap between Hall A and CLAS12 experiments.
- Large overlap with CLAS6 experiment using the same techniques.
- Internal consistency check in CLAS12 experiment between  $e - n$  measured with calorimeters and forward time-of-flight system.



# Comparison of Hall A and B Uncertainties



# Summary and Conclusions

- Two experiments in Halls A and B will be devoted to the neutron magnetic form factor  $G_M^n$ .
- Both experiments will cover similar  $Q^2$  ranges and more than double the range of high-precision measurements of  $G_M^n$ .
- Important consistency checks in both experiments.
- The high-luminosity Hall A measurement will have excellent statistical precision at all  $^2Q$ .
- The hermiticity cut in the Hall B experiment will reduce the inelastic background to produce a cleaner QE signal.
- High-luminosity of SBS will enable higher  $Q^2$  measurements in Hall A.

# Additional Slides

# CLAS12 Run Group Schedule - Tentative

Run Group	Days	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Remain
All Run Groups	936		CND	FT MM	RICH		Trans. PT	525	411
HPS 	180*	2-3	7 ?						
PRad 	15*		10 ?						---
CLAS12 KPP 				15					
RG-A (proton)	139*			20 50					69*
RG-F (BoNuS)	42*				40				2
RG-B (deut.)	90*				45				45*
RG-C (NH <sub>3</sub> )	120				15 45				60
RG-C-b (ND <sub>3</sub> )	65					35			30
RG-E (Hadr.)	60					20 15			25
RG-G (TT)	110*						55		55
RG-D (CT)	60						30		30
RG-K (LiD)	55							55	---



# Nuclear Corrections

- The factor  $a(Q^2)$  was calculated by Jeschonnek (Phys. Rev. C, 62 044613, 2000) for the CLAS12 kinematics and found to differ by less than 0.001 from unity.
- Two similar calculations for CLAS6 by Jeschonnek and by Arenhoeval differed from one by less than 0.003.
- For the Hall A proposal the cross section was calculated using PWIA for  $1.0 < Q^2 < 5$  (GeV/c<sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>, the AV18 deuteron wave function (R. Wiringa et al., Phys. Rev. C 51, 38, 1995) and Glauber theory for final-state interactions (FSI). Ratio of PWIA-only to full calculation with FSI differed by less than 0.001.
- Nuclear corrections associated with Fermi motion were calculated with the same code and showed effect less than 0.005.

# Two-Photon Effects

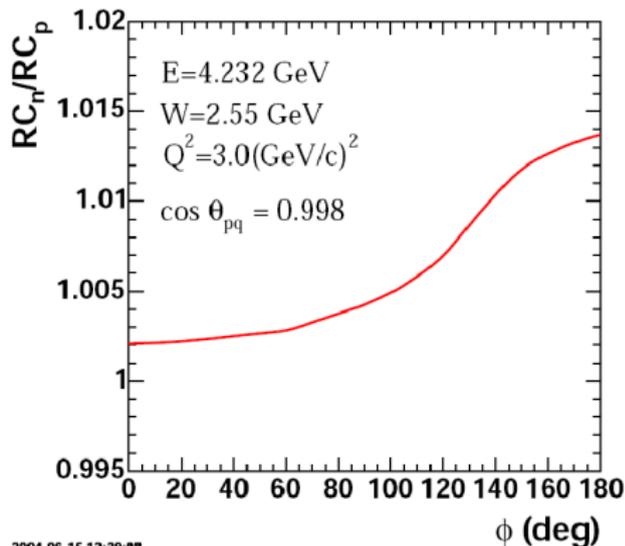
- TPE corrections effect numerator and denominator.

$$R = a \times \frac{\sigma_{Mott}^n \left( \frac{(G_E^n)^2 + \tau_n (G_M^n)^2}{1 + \tau_n} + 2\tau_n \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2} (G_M^n)^2 \right) (1 + \delta_n)}{\sigma_{Mott}^p \left( \frac{(G_E^p)^2 + \tau_p (G_M^p)^2}{1 + \tau_p} + 2\tau_p \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2} (G_M^p)^2 \right) (1 + \delta_p)}$$

- May not cancel in the ratio. Blunden *et al.*, PRC 72 034612 (2005) found  $\delta_n - \delta_p \lesssim 0.02$ .

# Radiative Corrections

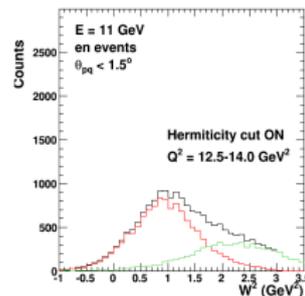
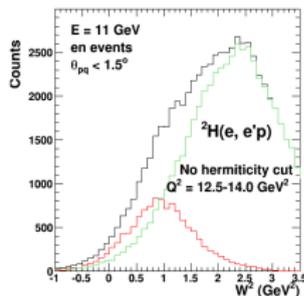
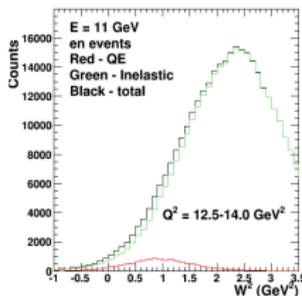
- Calculated for exclusive  $D(e, e'p)n$  with the code EXCLURAD by Afanasev and Gilfoyle (CLAS-Note 2005-022). The ratio of the correction factors for  $e - n/e - p$  events is close to unity.



# Optimizing $\theta_{pq}$ Cut

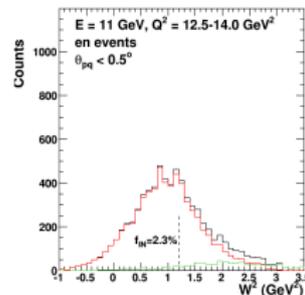
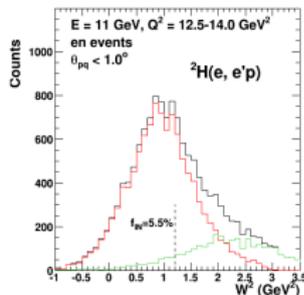
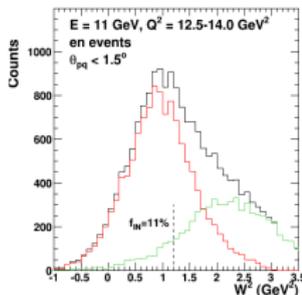
- Recall effect of requiring  $\theta_{pq} < 1.5^\circ$  and hermiticity cut to reduce inelastic background.

Effect of  $\theta_{pq}$  and hermiticity cuts.



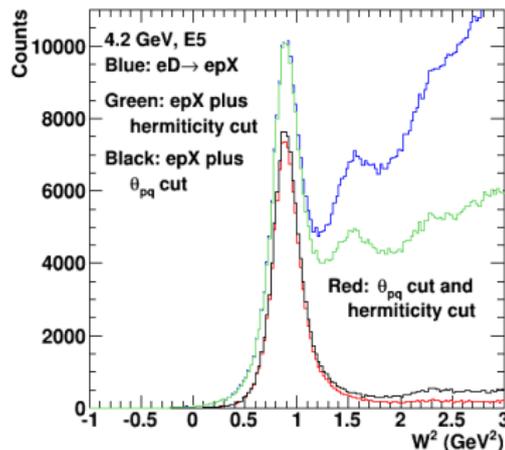
- To reduce inelastic background further, reduce the maximum  $\theta_{pq}$ .

$$f_{IN} = \frac{\text{inelastic}}{\text{total}} \text{ for } W^2 < 1.2 \text{ GeV}^2.$$



# Hermiticity Cut

- 1 For the CLAS6 data, the hermiticity cut is not needed. Applying it just reduces the already small inelastic background (compare black and red histograms).
- 2 Without requiring  $\theta_{pq} < 3^\circ$ , the hermiticity cut still reduces the inelastic background (compare blue and green histograms).
- 3 Hermiticity cut here includes  $ep$  events with additional out-of-time tracks or ones that fall outside the vertex cut (1.5 cm).
- 4 Effect of hermiticity cut in CLAS12 simulation is qualitatively consistent with CLAS6, E5 data.



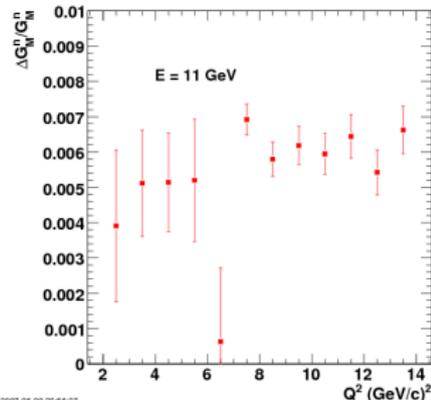
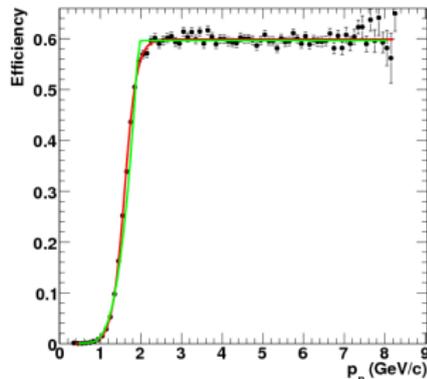
# Neutron Detection Efficiency Uncertainty

- Characterize the neutron detection efficiency  $\epsilon_n$  with

$$\epsilon_n = S \times \left( 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{p_n - p_0}{a_0}\right)} \right)$$

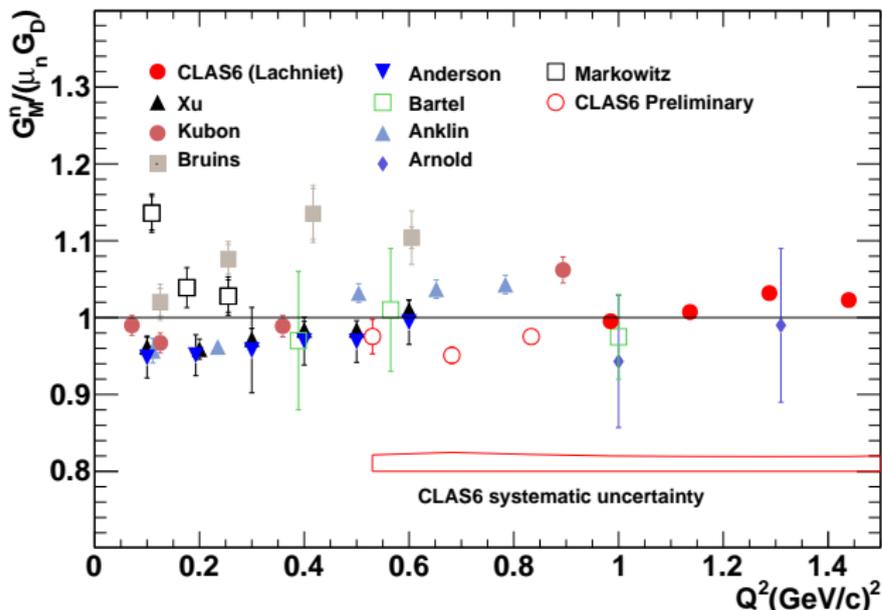
where  $S$  is the height of the plateau for  $p_n > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$ ,  $p_0$  is the center of the rising part of  $\epsilon_n$ , and  $a_0$  controls the slope of  $\epsilon_n$  in this region.

- Fit the  $\epsilon_n$  with a third-order polynomial and a flat region.
- Use the original  $\epsilon_n$  and the fit in reconstructing the neutrons and take the difference.



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# Tension in Low- $Q^2$ $G_M^n$ measurements



Experiments used ratio method unless noted otherwise.

Author	Reference	NDE Method	Author	Reference	NDE Method
Lachniet	PRL 102, 192001 (2009)	$^1\text{H}(e, e' \pi^+ n)$	Anderson <sup>1</sup>	PRC 75, 034003 (2007)	NA
Xu <sup>1</sup>	PRC 67, 012201 (2003)	NA	Bartel	NP B58, 429 (1973)	$^1\text{H}(\gamma, \pi^+ n)$
Kubon	PLB 524, 26 (2002)	$^1\text{H}(n, p)n$	Anklin	PLB 336, 313 (1998)	$^1\text{H}(n, p)n$
Arnold <sup>2</sup>	PRL 61, 806 (1988)	NA	Anklin	PLB 426, 248 (1998)	$^1\text{H}(n, p)n$
Bruins	PRL 75, 21 (1995)	$^1\text{H}(\gamma, \pi^+ n)$	Markowitz <sup>3</sup>	PRC 48, R5, (1993)	$^2\text{H}(\gamma, np)$

1 -  $^3\text{He}(e, e')$

2 -  $^2\text{H}(e, e')$

3 -  $^2\text{H}(e, e' n)$