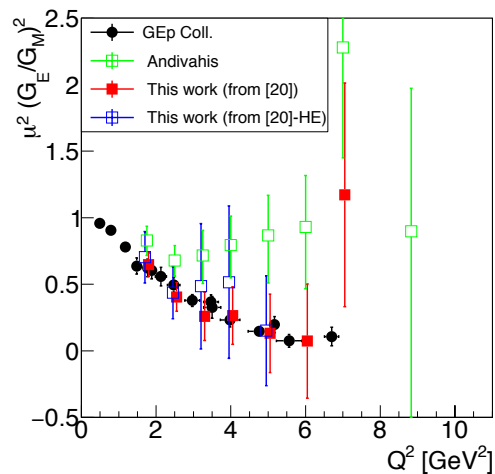


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Nucleon Space-like Form Factors: is there any discrepancy?

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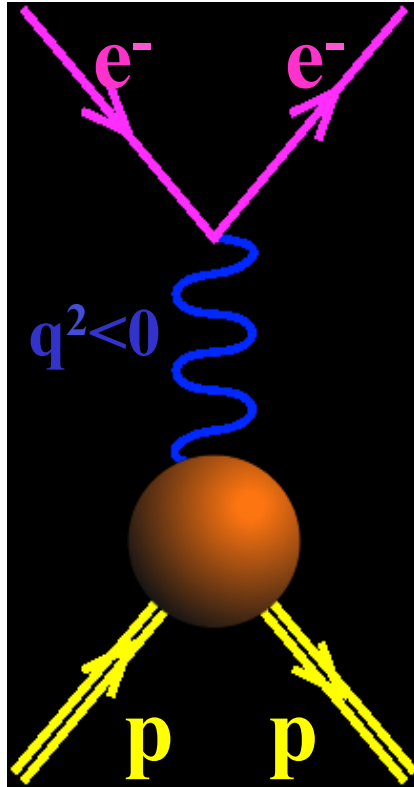
[S. Pacetti, R. Baldini-Ferroli, E.T-G., Phys. Rep. 51 \(2014\)1](#)

Question

Discrepancy between polarized and unpolarized measurements of elastic EMFFs:

- *Is it real?*
- *Radiative corrections?*
- *Two photon exchange?!*

Electromagnetic Interaction



The electron vertex is known, γ_μ

The interaction is carried by a virtual photon of mass q^2

The proton vertex is parametrized in terms of FFs: Pauli and Dirac F_1, F_2

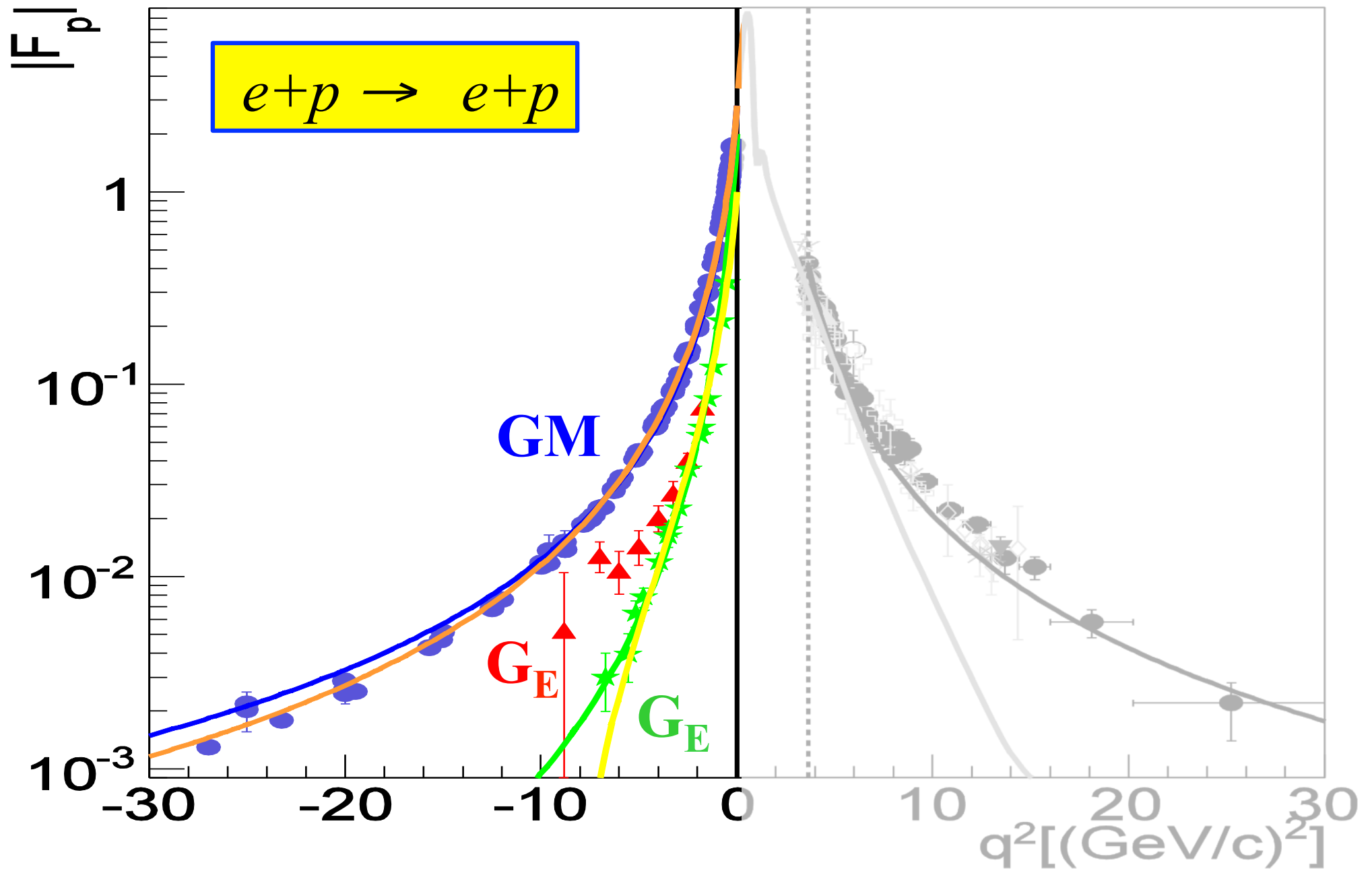
$$\Gamma_\mu = \gamma_\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu}q^\nu}{2M} F_2(q^2)$$

or in terms of Sachs FFs:

$$GE = F_1 - \tau F_2, \quad GM = F_1 + F_2, \quad \tau = -q^2/4M^2$$

What about high order radiative corrections?

The Space-Like region

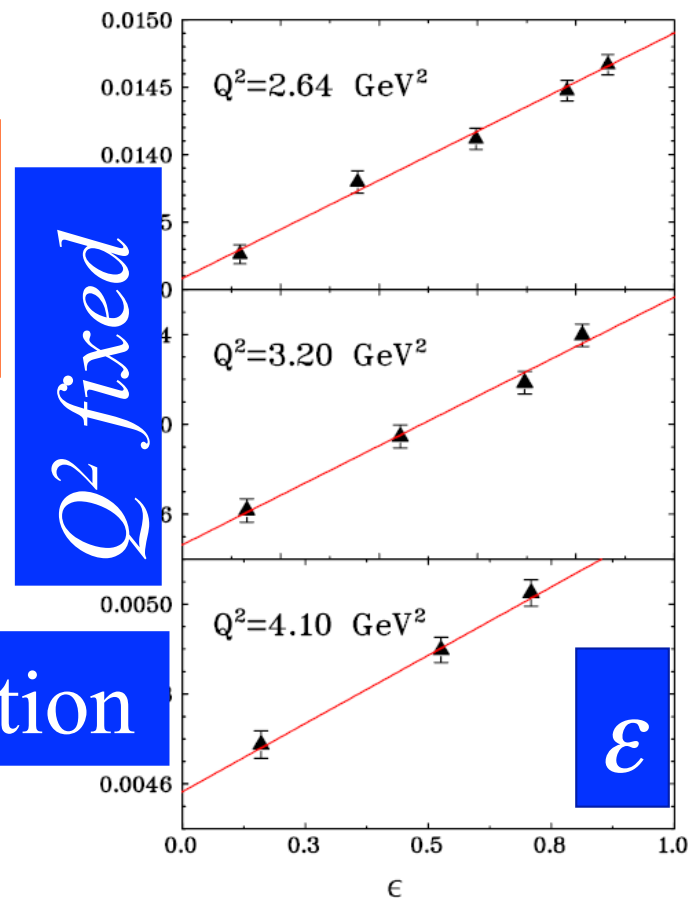


The Rosenbluth separation

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{Mott} \frac{1}{(1+\tau)} \left(G_E^2(Q^2) + \frac{\tau}{\varepsilon} G_M^2(Q^2) \right)$$

$$\varepsilon = \left(1 + 2(1+\tau) \tan^2 \left(\frac{\theta_e}{2} \right) \right)^{-1}, \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}$$

$$\sigma_R = \varepsilon G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2$$



Linearity of the reduced cross section

→ $\tan^2 \theta_e$ dependence

→ Holds for 1γ exchange only

PRL 94, 142301 (2005)

The polarization method (theory:1967)

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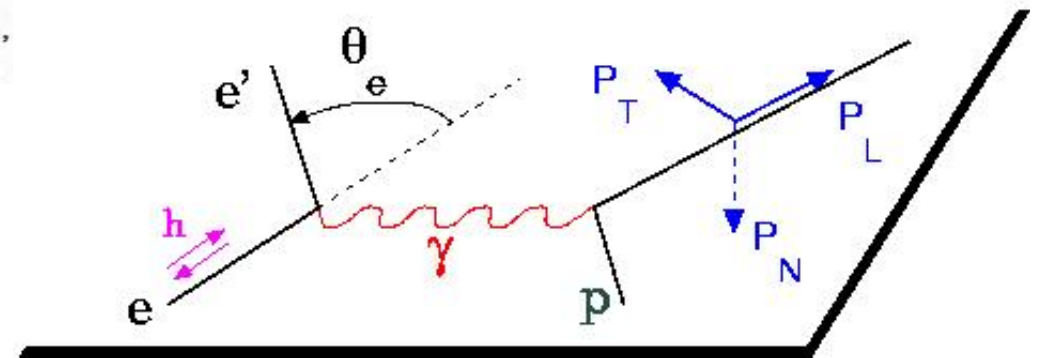
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POLARIZATION PHENOMENA IN ELECTRON SCATTERING BY PROTONS IN THE HIGH-ENERGY REGION

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Physicotechnical Institute, Academy of Sciences of the Ukrainian SSR
Translated from Doklady Akademii Nauk SSSR, Vol. 180, No. 5,
pp. 1081-1083, June, 1968
Original article submitted February 26,

$$s_2 \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_R} = 4p_2 \frac{(s \cdot q)}{1 + \tau} \Gamma(\theta, \epsilon_1) \left[\tau G_M (G_M + G_E) - \frac{1}{4\epsilon_1} G_M (G_E - \tau G_M) \right],$$



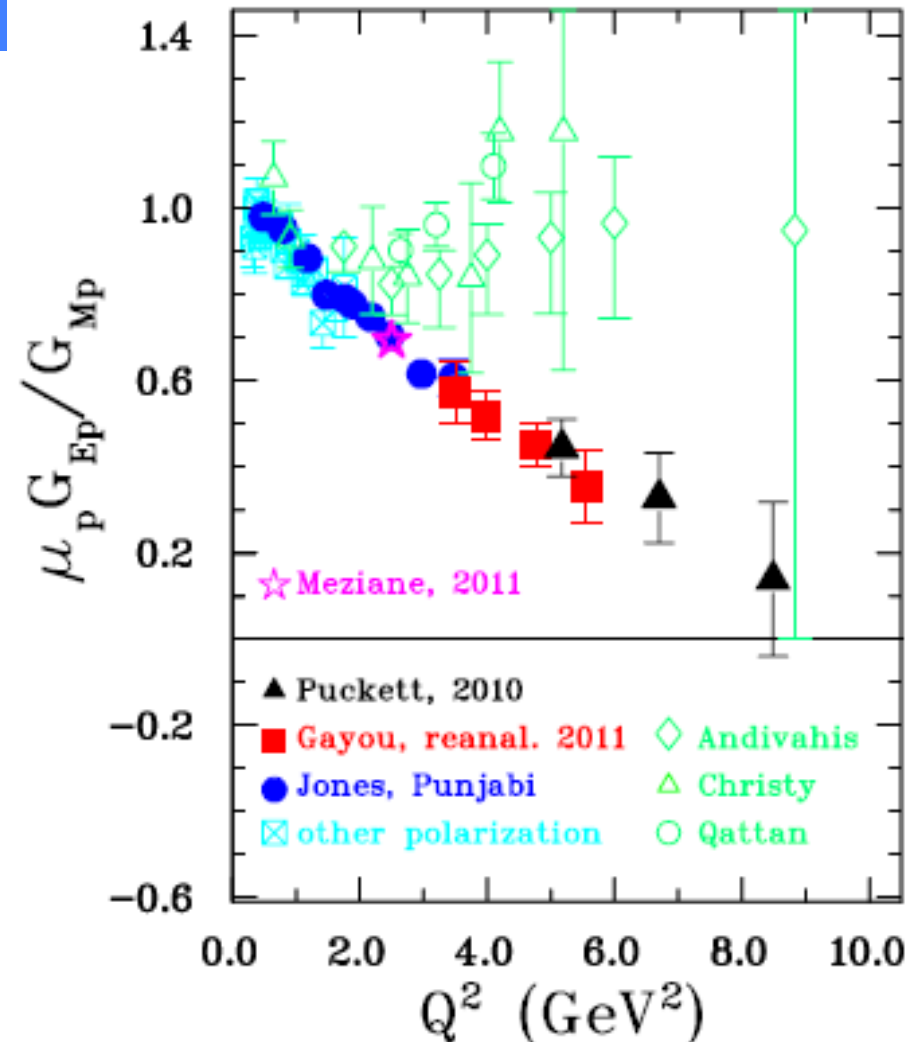
The polarization induces a term in the cross section proportional to $G_E G_M$
Polarized beam and target or
polarized beam and recoil proton polarization

Polarization Experiments

A.I. Akhiezer and M.P. Rekalo, 1967

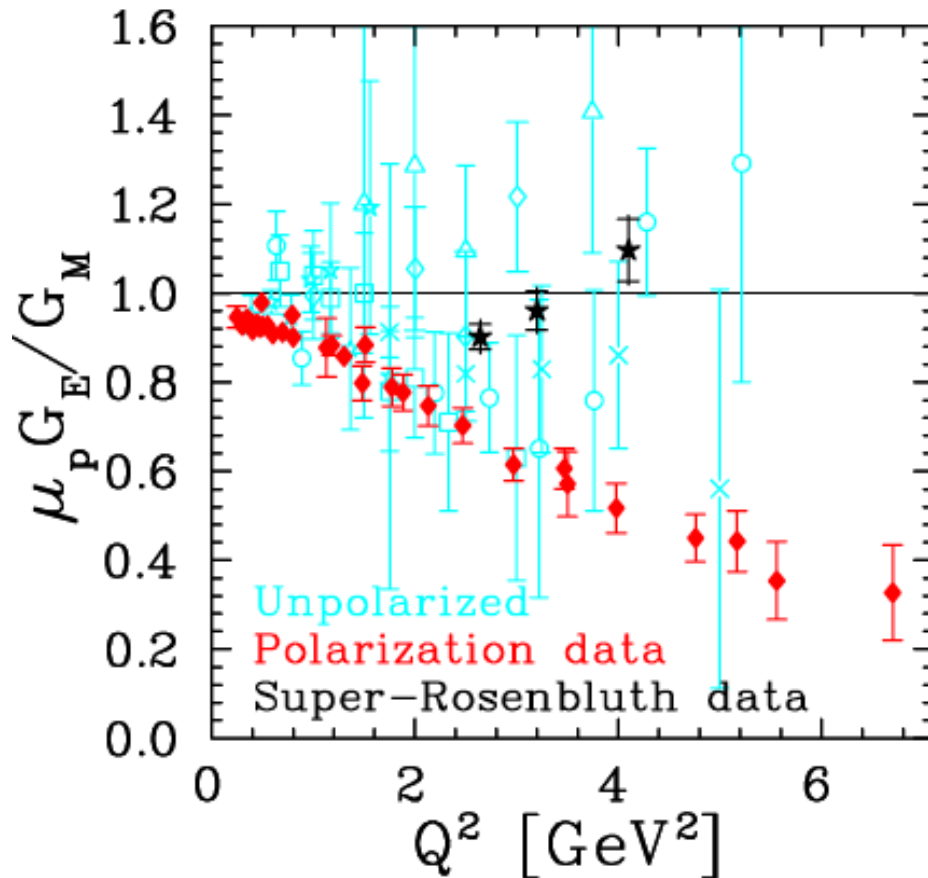
Jlab-GEp collaboration

- 1) "standard" **dipole function** for the nucleon magnetic FFs **G_{Mp}** and **G_{Mn}**
- 2) **linear deviation** from the dipole function for the electric proton FF **G_{ep}**
- 3) **QCD scaling** not reached
- 3) **Zero crossing** of G_{ep} ?
- 4) **contradiction between polarized and unpolarized measurements**



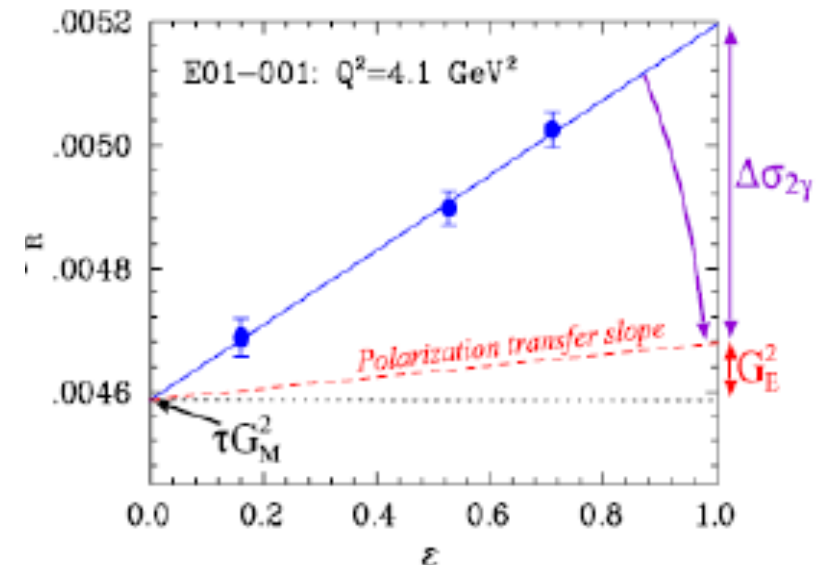
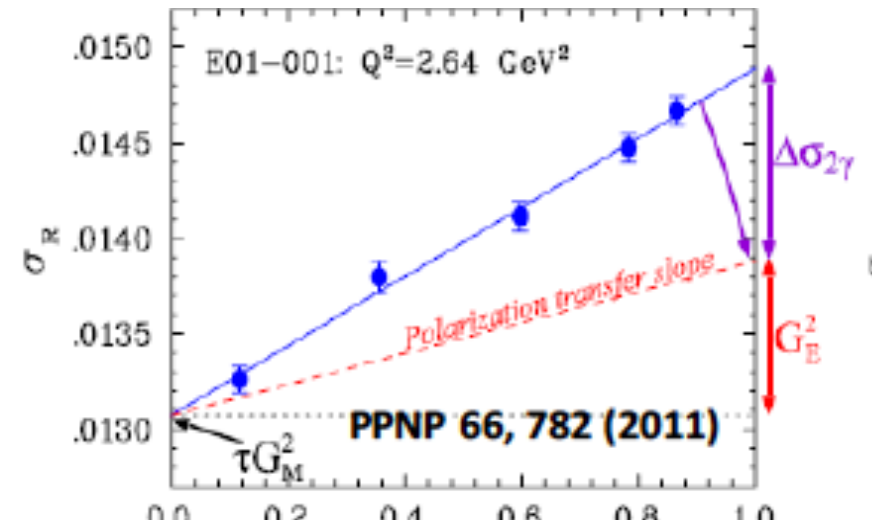
A.J.R. Puckett et al, PRL (2010), PRC (2012)

The discrepancy: $R=GE/GM$



The discrepancy is

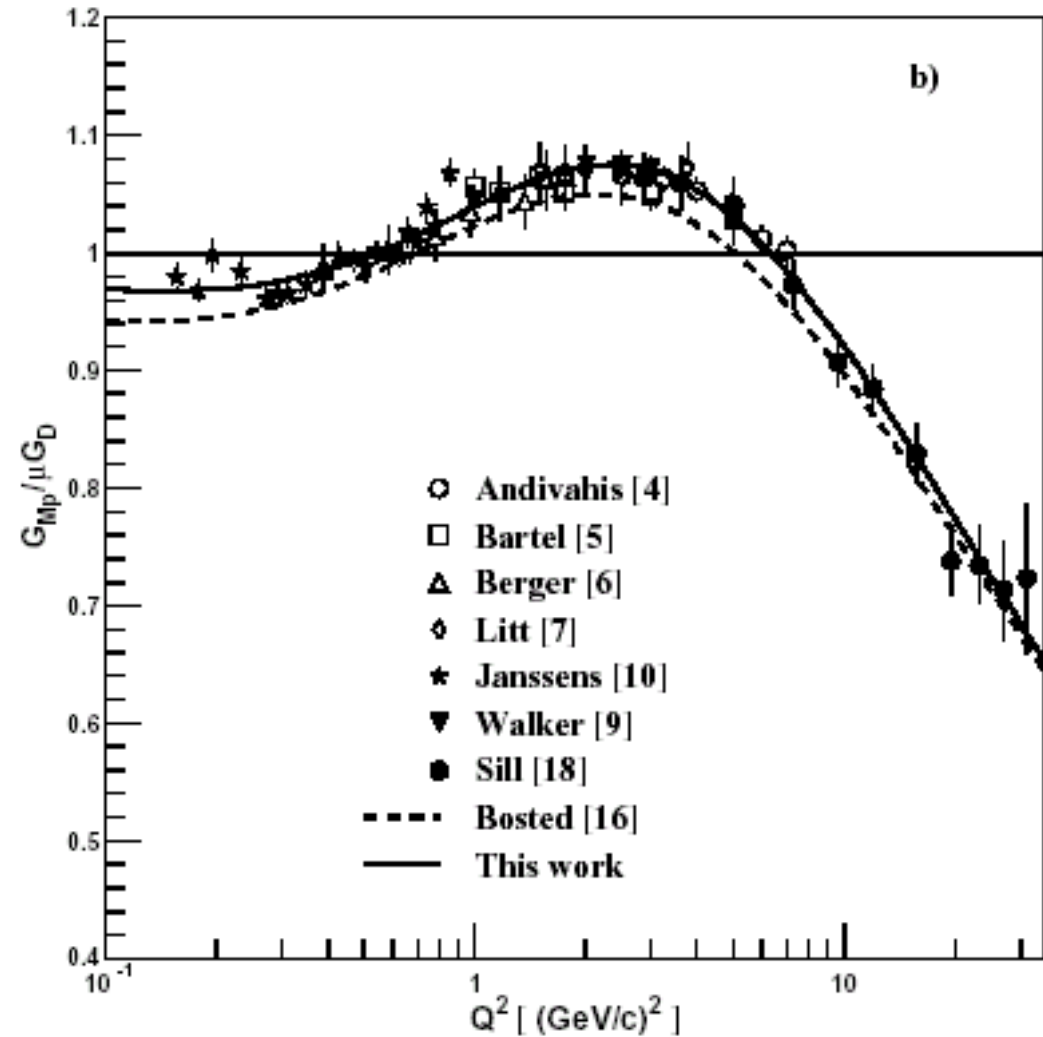
- on the ratio : slope?
- **NOT** on the observables
(cross section, polarizations)



The proton magnetic form factor

The new results induce
1.5-3% global effect

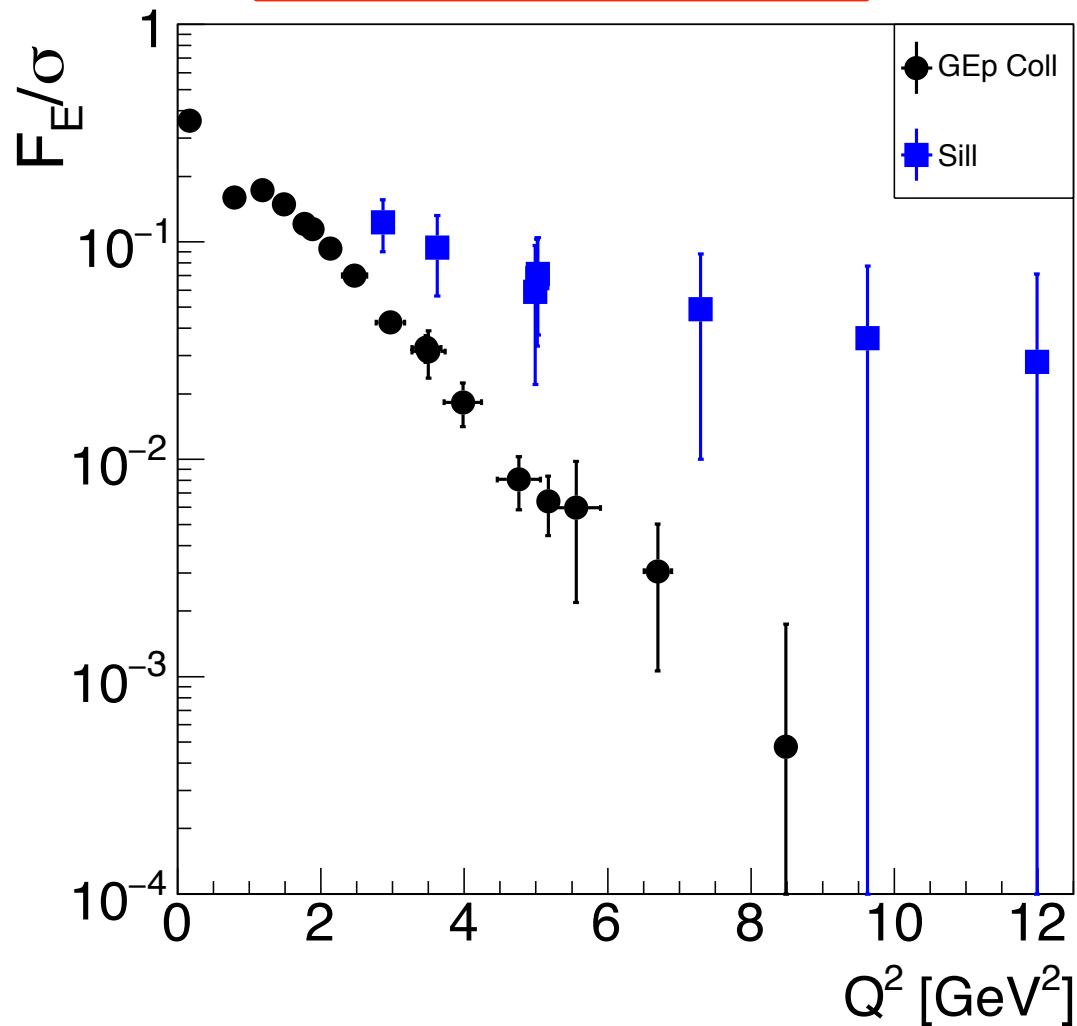
The difference is not at the level of the measured observables, but on the slope (derivative)!



E. Brash et al. Phys. Rev. C65:051001, 2002

Electric contribution to ep cross section

$$F_E = \frac{\epsilon G_E^2}{1 + \tau / (\epsilon R^2)}$$



$$\sigma_R = \epsilon G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2$$

$$G_E \approx G_D$$

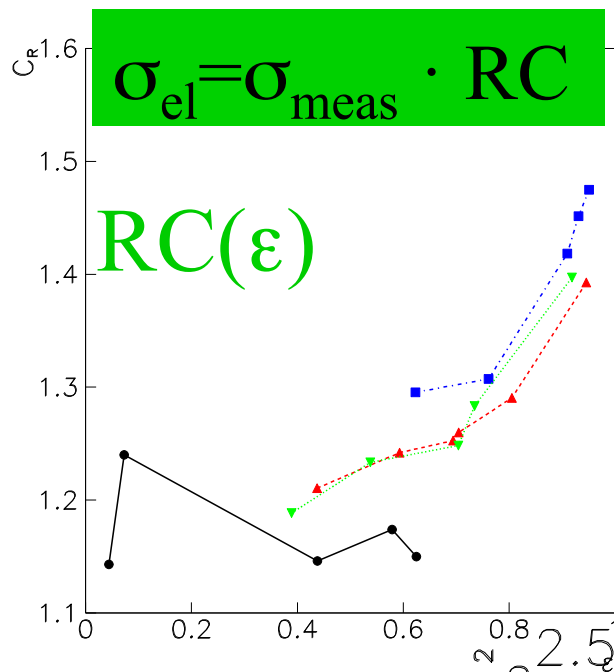
$$G_E < G_D$$

***Reaction mechanism:
1 γ -2 γ interference ?***

Radiative corrections?

- Correlations
- Normalizations
 - + of different sets of data
 - + in a series

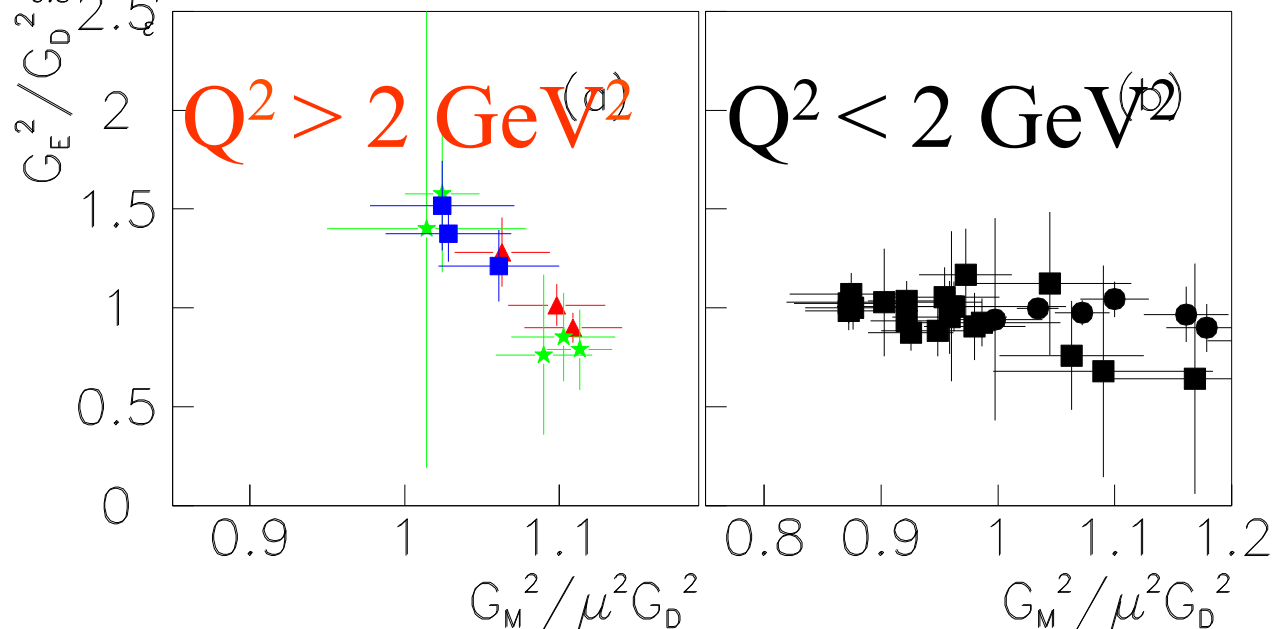
Experimental correlation



E.T-G, Phys. Part. Nucl. Lett. 4, 281 (2007)

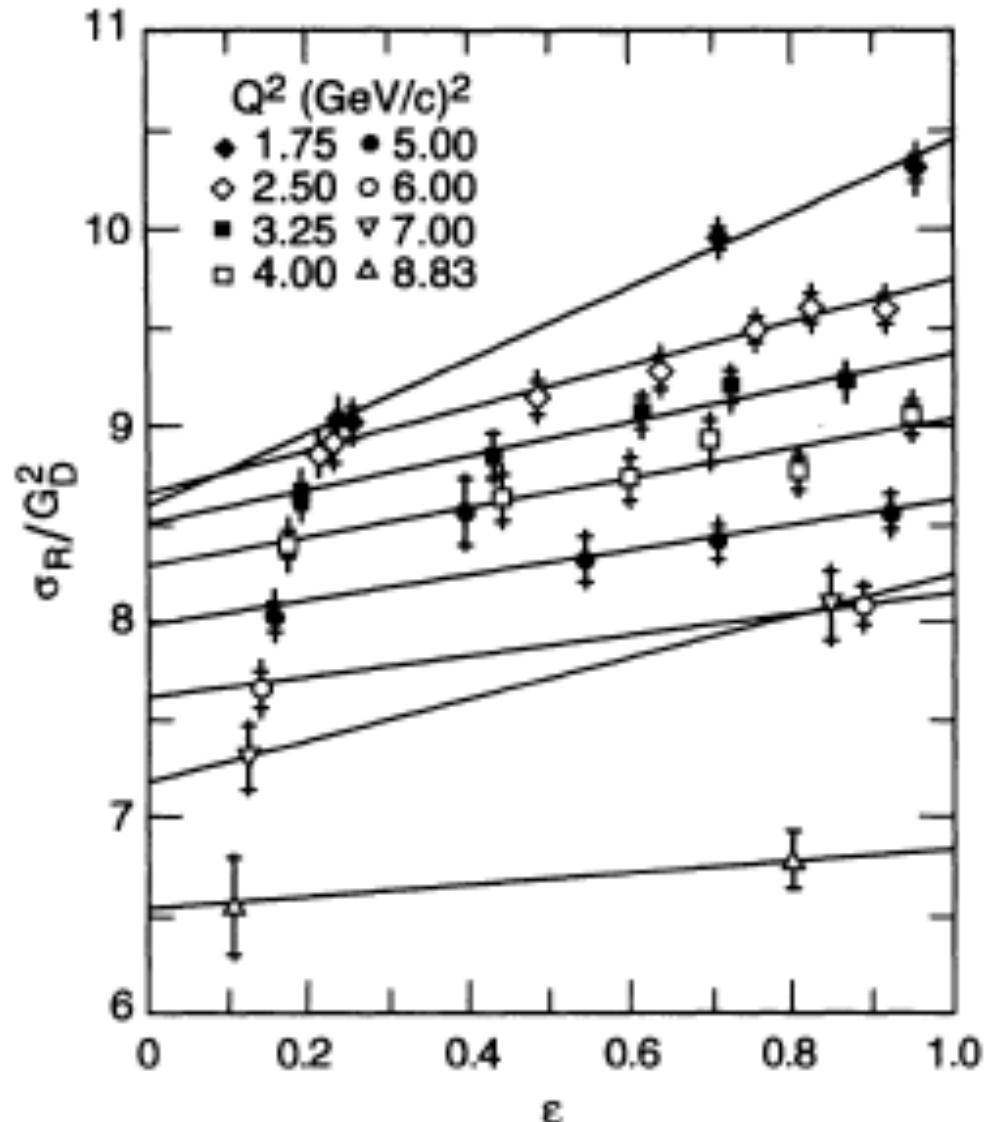
$$\sigma_{red} = \tau G_{Mp}^2 + \epsilon G_{Ep}^2$$

only published values!!



Normalization

Andivahis et al., PRD50, 5491 (1994)



Two spectrometers
(8 and 1.6 GeV)

2 points at low ϵ

Fixed renormalization
for the lowest ϵ point
 $c=0.956$
(acceptance correction)

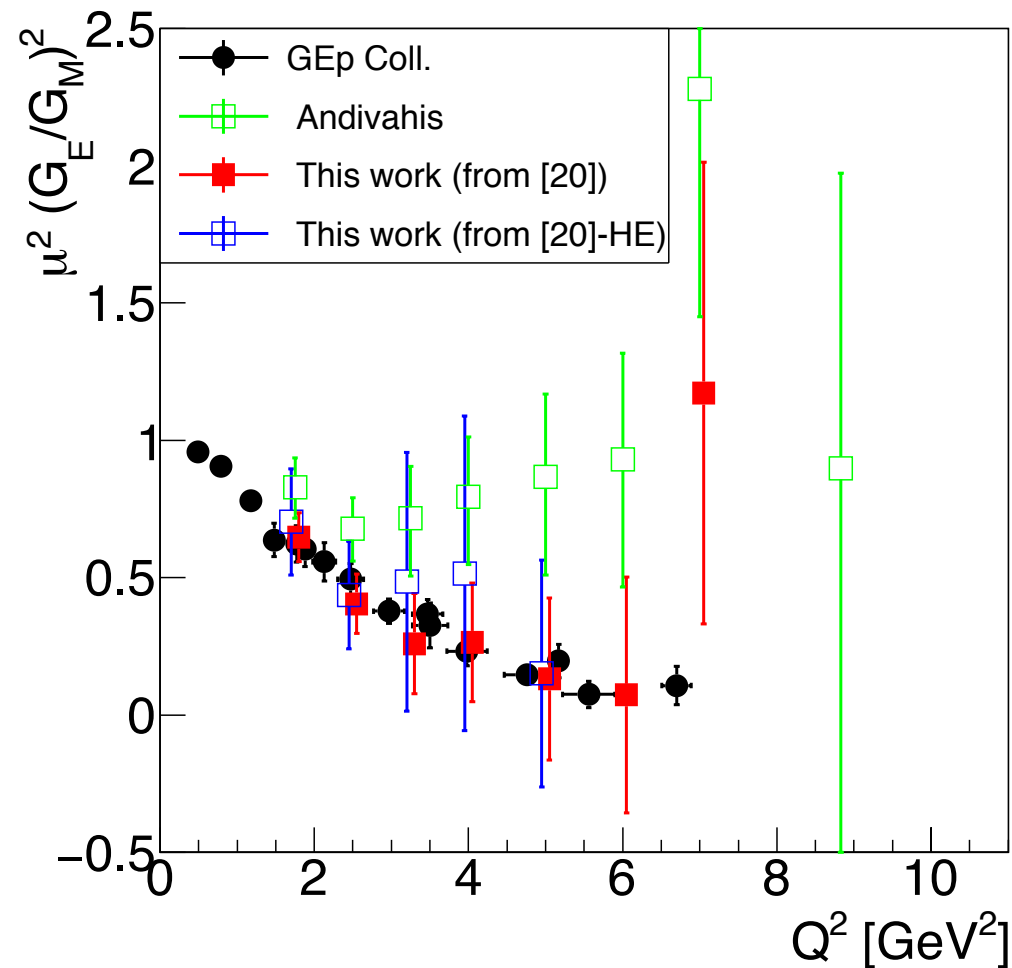
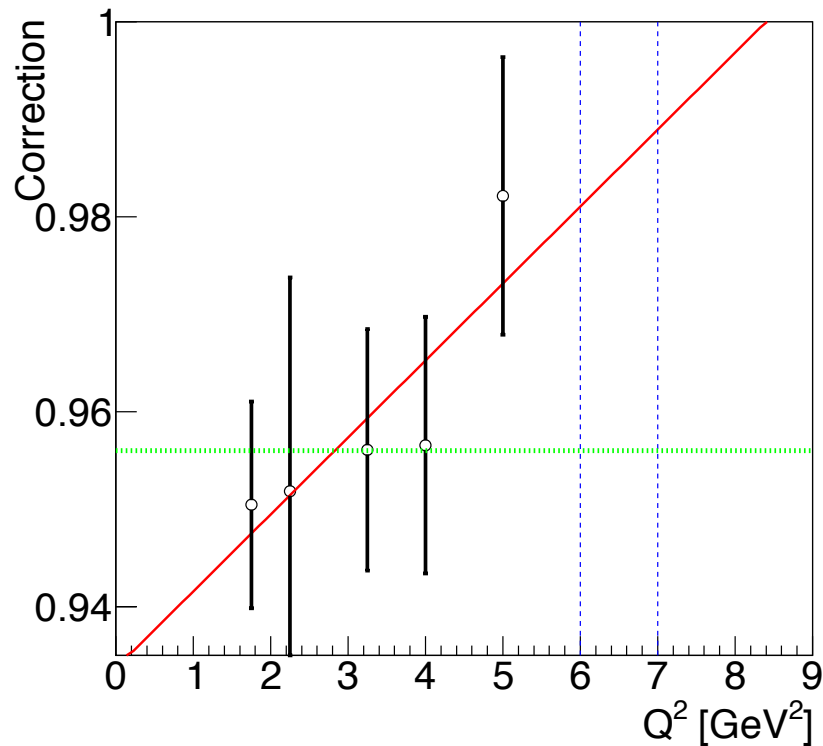
Increases the slope!

$$G_E \approx G_D$$

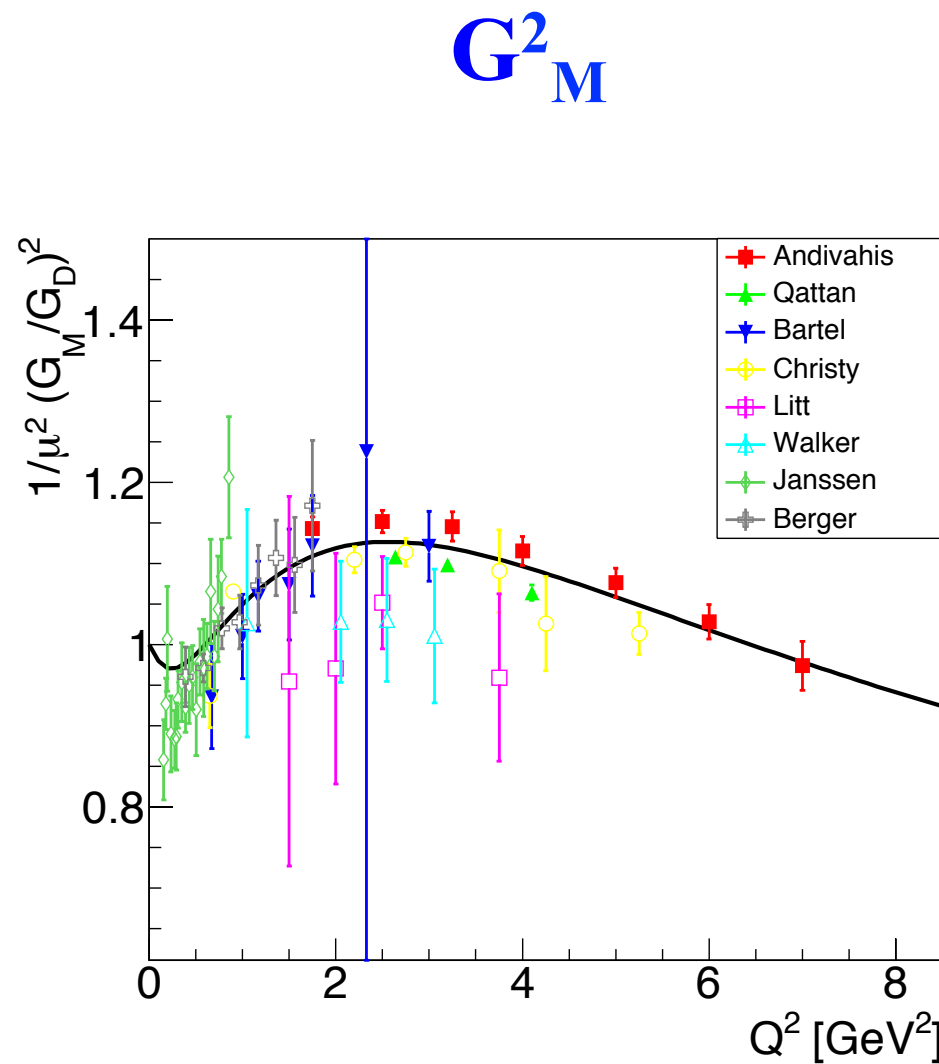
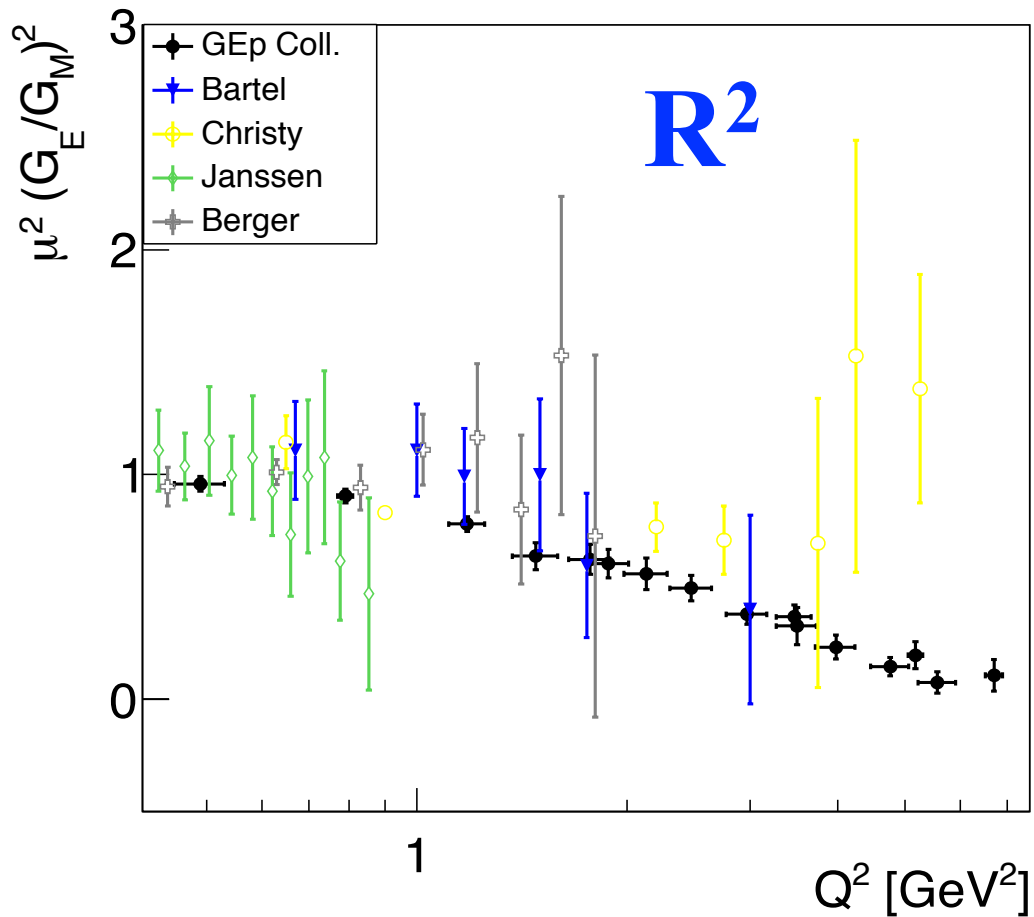
Direct extraction of the Ratio

Andivahis et al., PRD50, 5491 (1994)

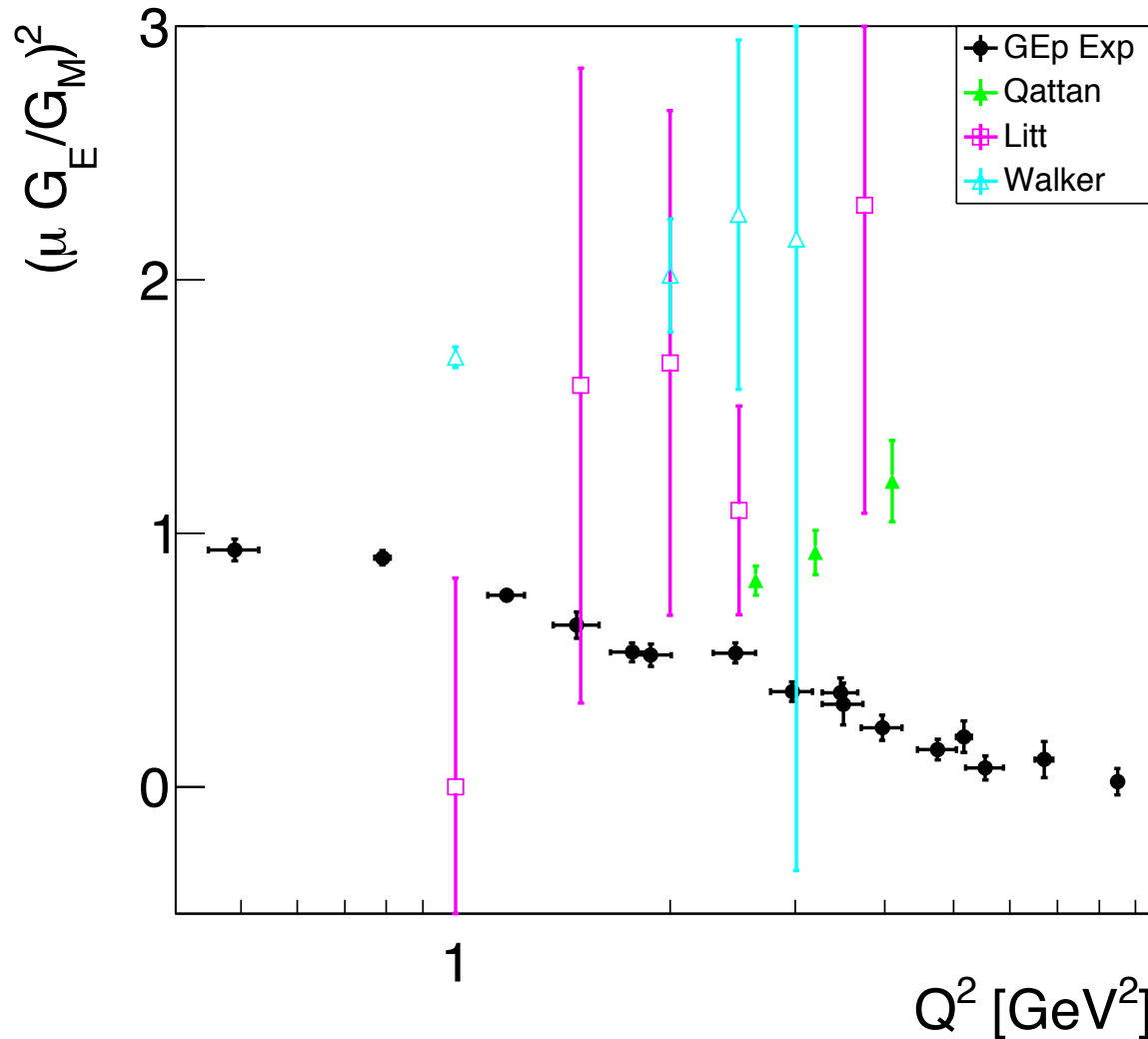
$$\sigma_{\text{red}} = G_M^2 (R^2 \epsilon + \tau),$$



Different Data Sets



Other data sets



3 sets show increasing R^2 with Q^2

Large radiative corrections

Large correlations

Conclusion - Discussion

• Large activity in Space and Time-like regions to increase precision or extend q^2 range



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- *Neutron/proton EM structure: FFs contain essential information (in one photon exchange)*
- *Effect of deviation of GE and GM from dipole*

- *If problems were not in observables... but in derivatives?*