

# **New fits to inclusive electron scattering from p, n, and d at low $Q^2$**

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- **Motivation**
- **Proton fit for  $F_1$  and  $F_2$**
- **Deuteron fit for  $F_1$  and n/p ratios**
- **Example:  $Q^2$  dependence of Baldin Sum Rule**
- **Outlook: R for deuteron and  $A > 2$  fits**

# Motivation

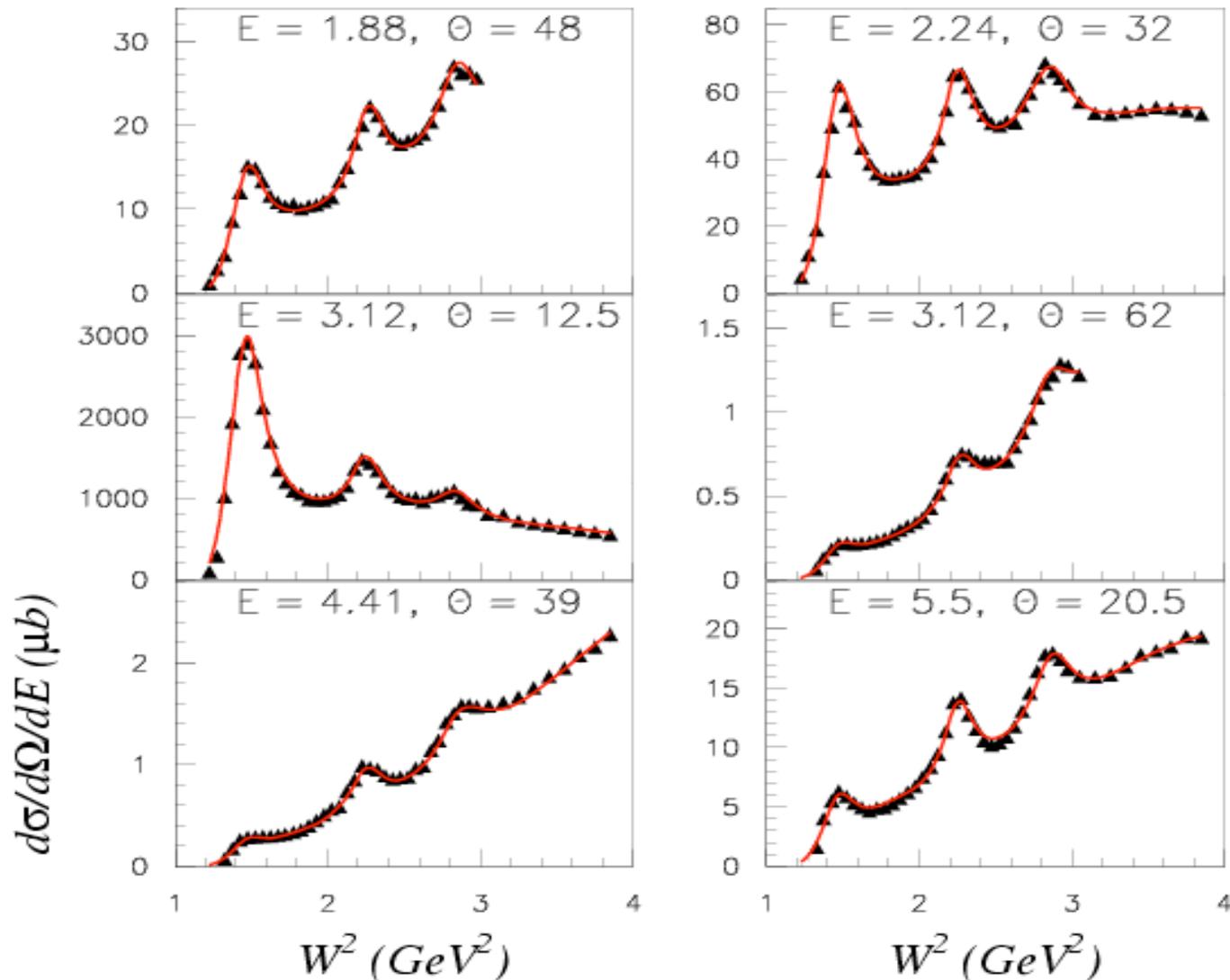
- **Replace 1000's data points with smooth function**
- **Needed for reliable radiative corrections**
- **Dilution in  $(g_1, g_2)$  experiments using ammonia**
- **Predictions DIS PV at low  $Q^2$**
- **Modeling for neutrino scattering experiments**
- **Needed to get  $g_1$  from  $A_1$ .**
- **Helpful in sum rule evaluations.**
- **Study of higher twist, QCD evolution low  $Q^2$**

# **New fit to inclusive electron-proton scattering for $0 < Q^2 < 8 \text{ GeV}^2$ , $W < 3 \text{ GeV}$**

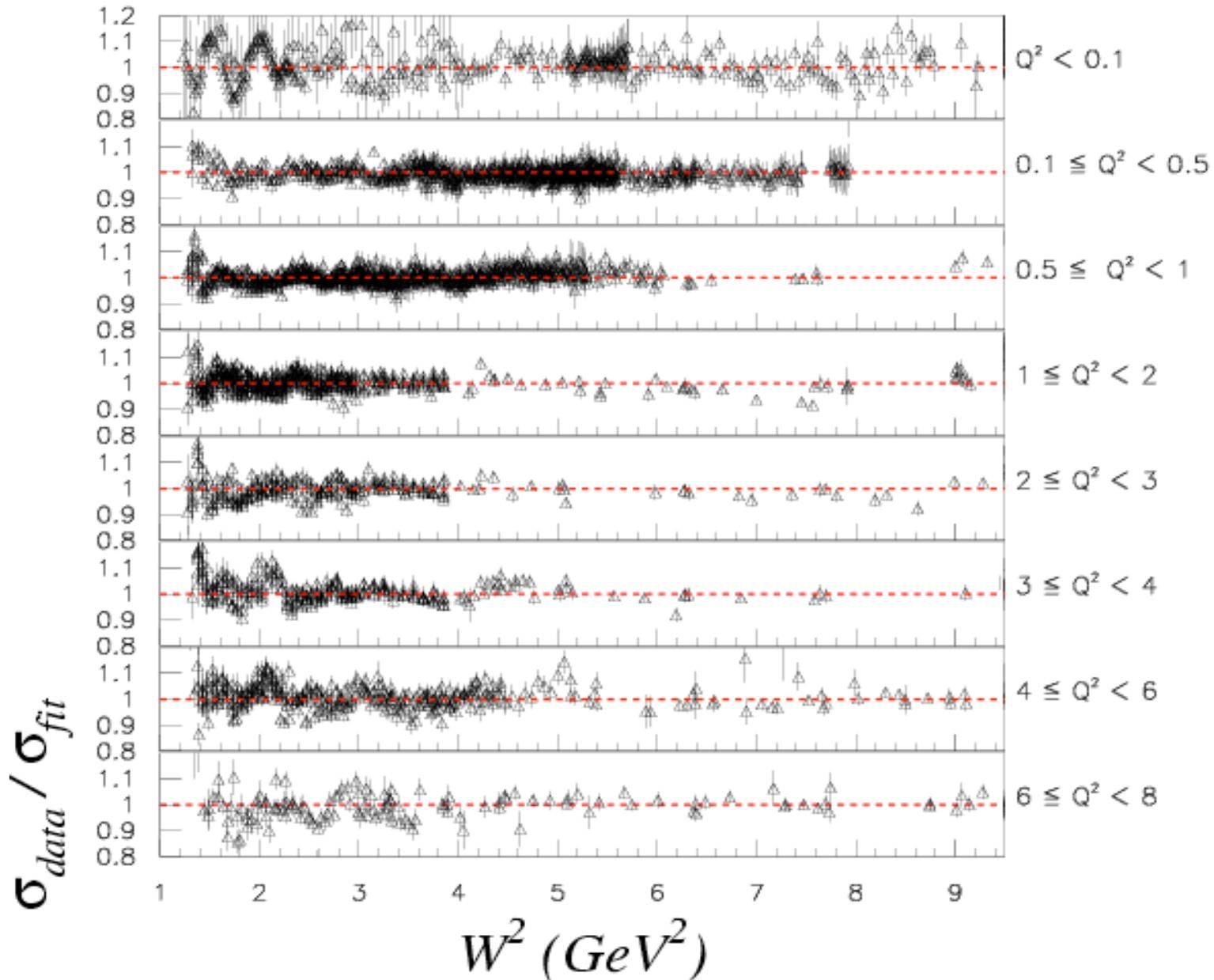
M.E. Christy and P.E. Bosted, arXiv:0711.0159 (2007)

- **Based on new Jefferson Lab Hall C data.**
- **Fit to both  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  (or  $F_2$ ,  $R$ )**
- **Includes  $Q^2=0$  photo production data**
- **SLAC data added for smooth transition DIS region**
- **Fit variables are  $Q^2$ ,  $W^2 = M^2 + Q^2 (1/x - 1)$**
- **Polynomial non-resonant background**
- **Relativistic Breit-Wigner shapes for 6 resonances**
- **Total of 100 free parameters in fit**

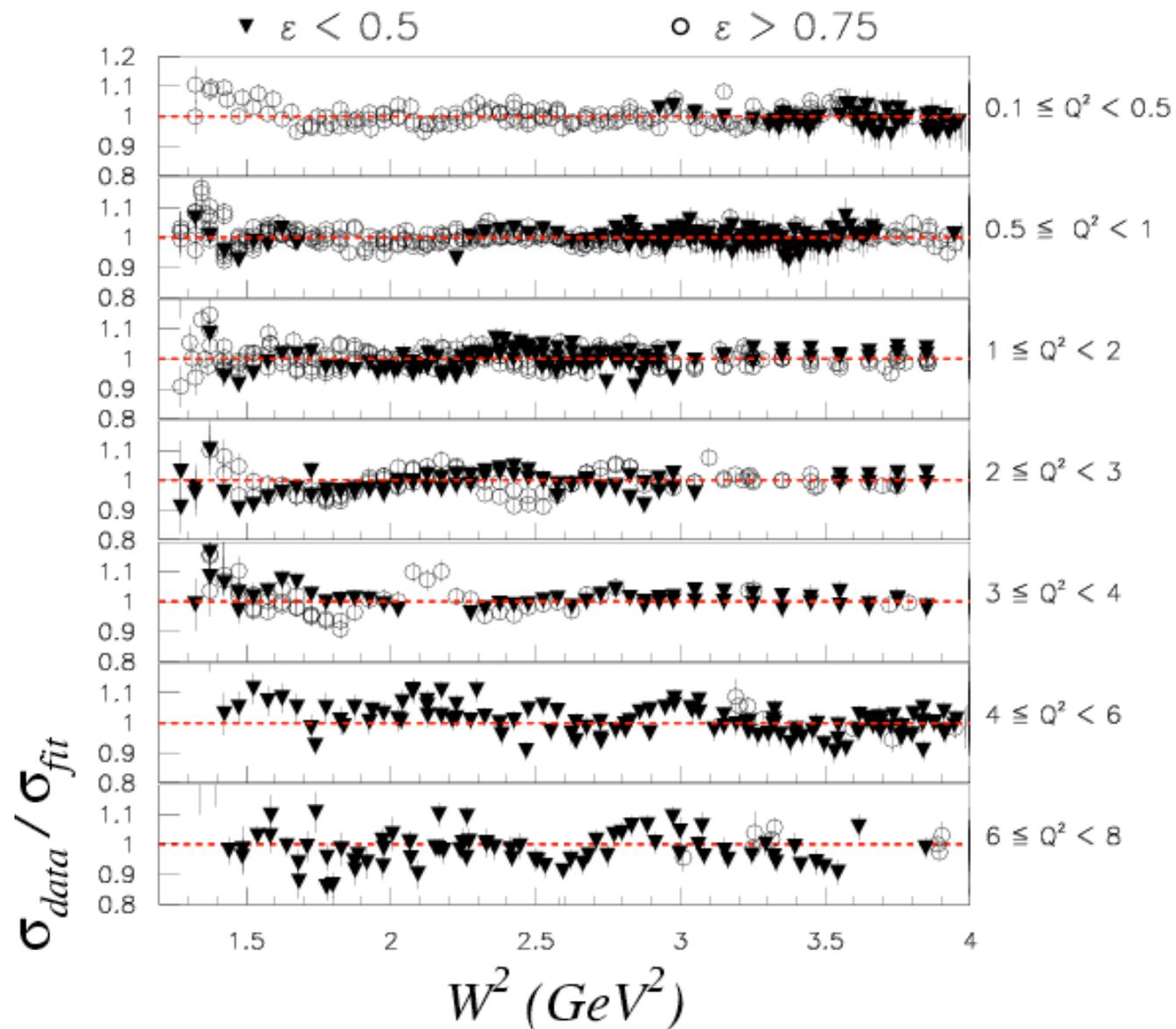
# Proton Cross Sections: a few examples



# Ratio of data to proton fit

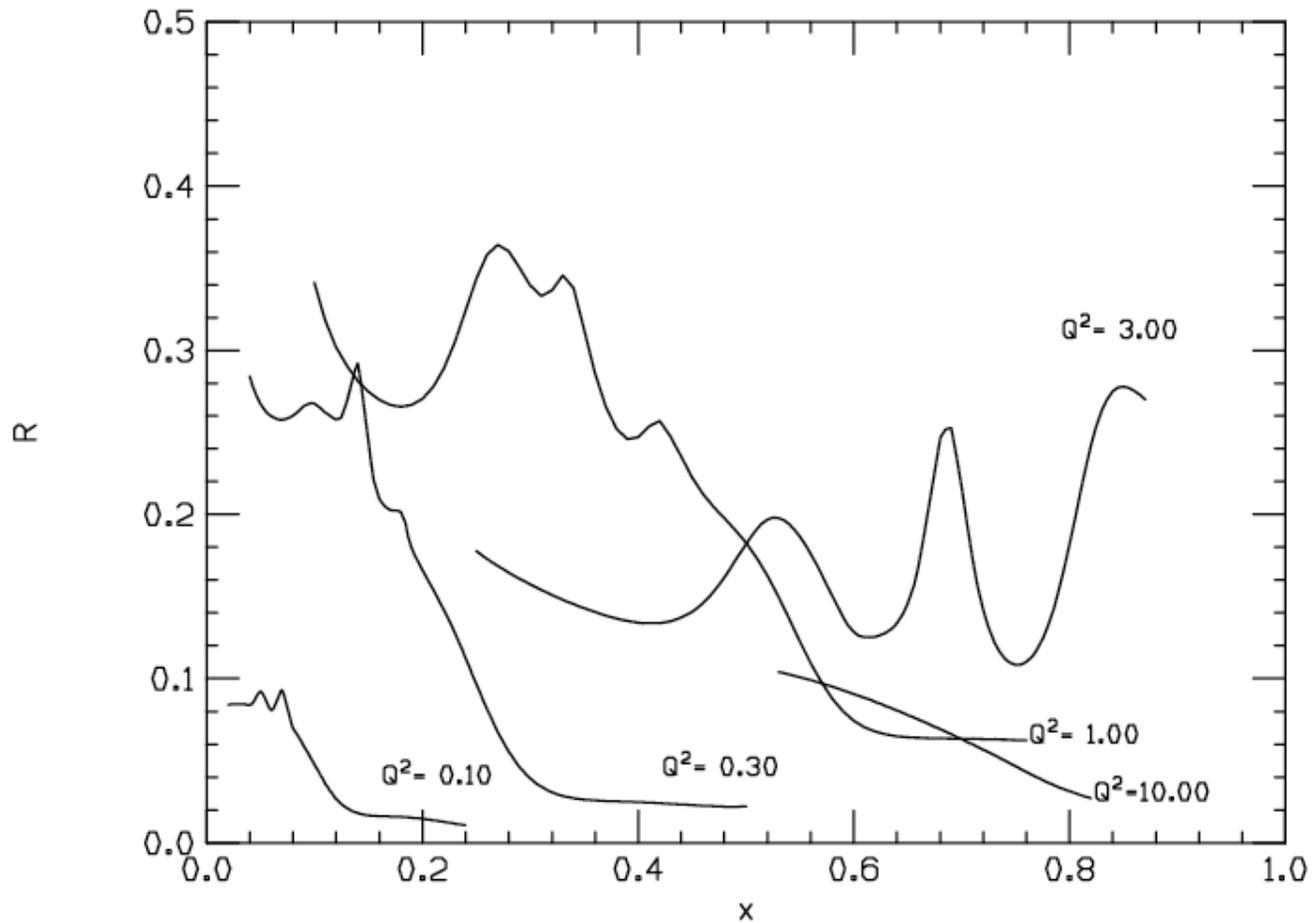


# Ratio of data to proton fit at low, high $\varepsilon$



# Ratios $R=\sigma_L/\sigma_T$ versus $x$

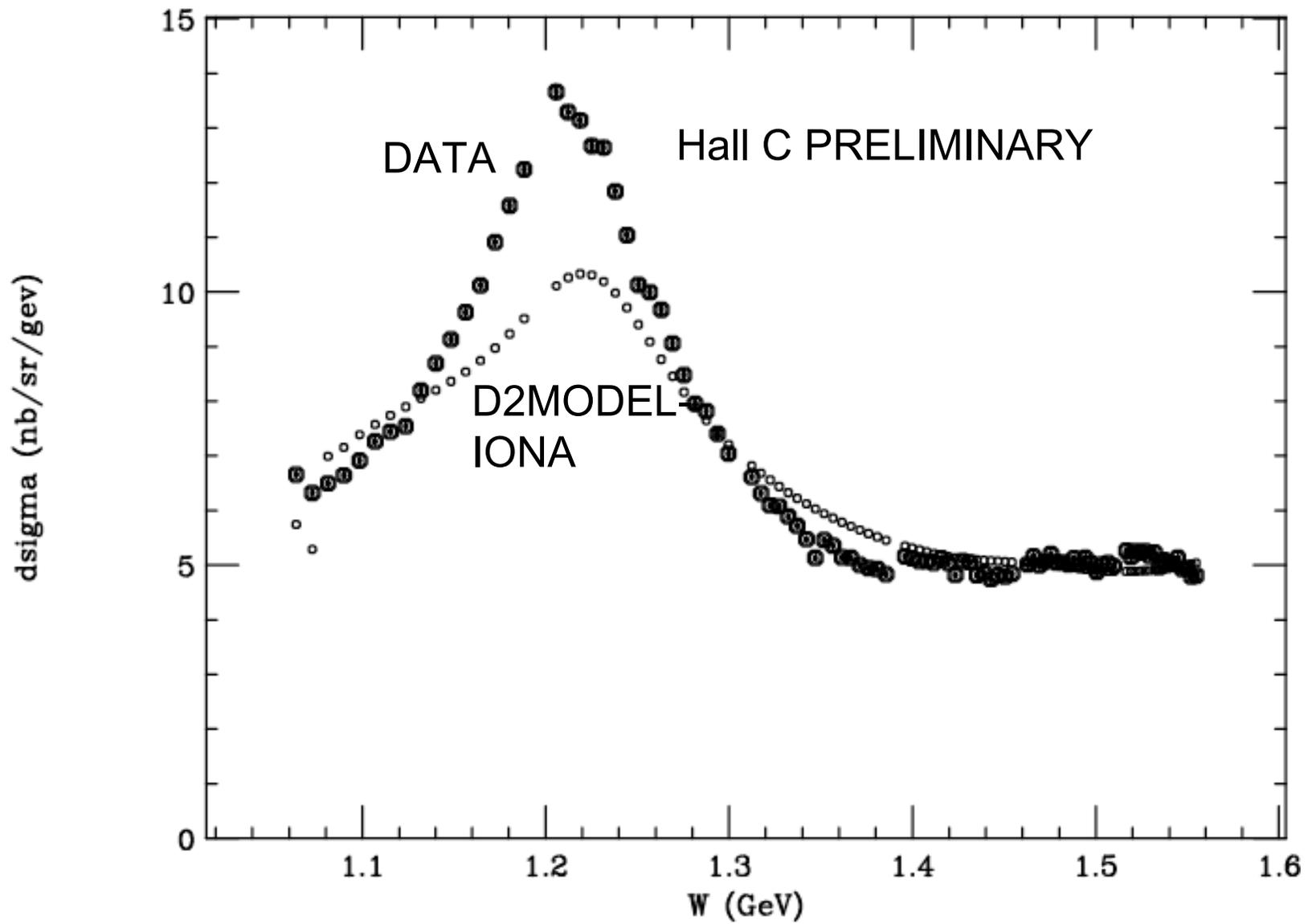
Clear oscillations seen due to resonances  
Largest at moderate  $Q^2$



# Inelastic scattering on deuteron

- Previous fits did not specifically include Fermi smearing effect : fixed widths of resonances were used rather than ones that increase with  $q$ .
- This can be seen on next slide for the lowest  $Q^2$  (about  $0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$ ) preliminary radiated cross section data from the recent Jlab January 2005 experiment.

A= 2 Z= 1 E0=1.200 Th=13.0



# Fermi-smearing

- Nucleons move in nuclei with characteristic “Fermi” momentum controlled by nuclear density.
- Typical values are 0.05 GeV for D, 0.15 GeV for  $^3\text{He}$ , 0.2 GeV for  $3 < A < 12$ , and 0.25 GeV for  $A > 12$ .
- In inclusive electron scattering, “smears” out invariant mass  $W$  by:

$$W^2 = M^2 + 2M\nu - Q^2 + 2\vec{q} \cdot \vec{p}_f$$

# More on Fermi smearing

- **So true  $W$  and measured  $W$  differ by magnitude of momentum transfer vector times struck nucleon momentum**
- **For deuteron, use Paris wave function to estimate probability of finding a nucleon with a given value of  $p^* \cos(\theta)$ , where  $\theta$  is angle between  $q$  and  $p$ .**

# Basic structure of deuteron fit

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- **Subtract off quasi-elastic contributions using PWIA calculation, Paris wave function.**
- **Next, extract  $F_1$  from cross section using proton fit for  $R = \sigma_L / \sigma_T$ , assuming  $R$  is same for proton and neutron.**
- **Underlying fit parameters describe  $F_1$  from the sum of a free proton plus a free neutron. Functional form similar to proton fit (relativistic Breit-Wigner resonances plus polynomial non-resonant background).**

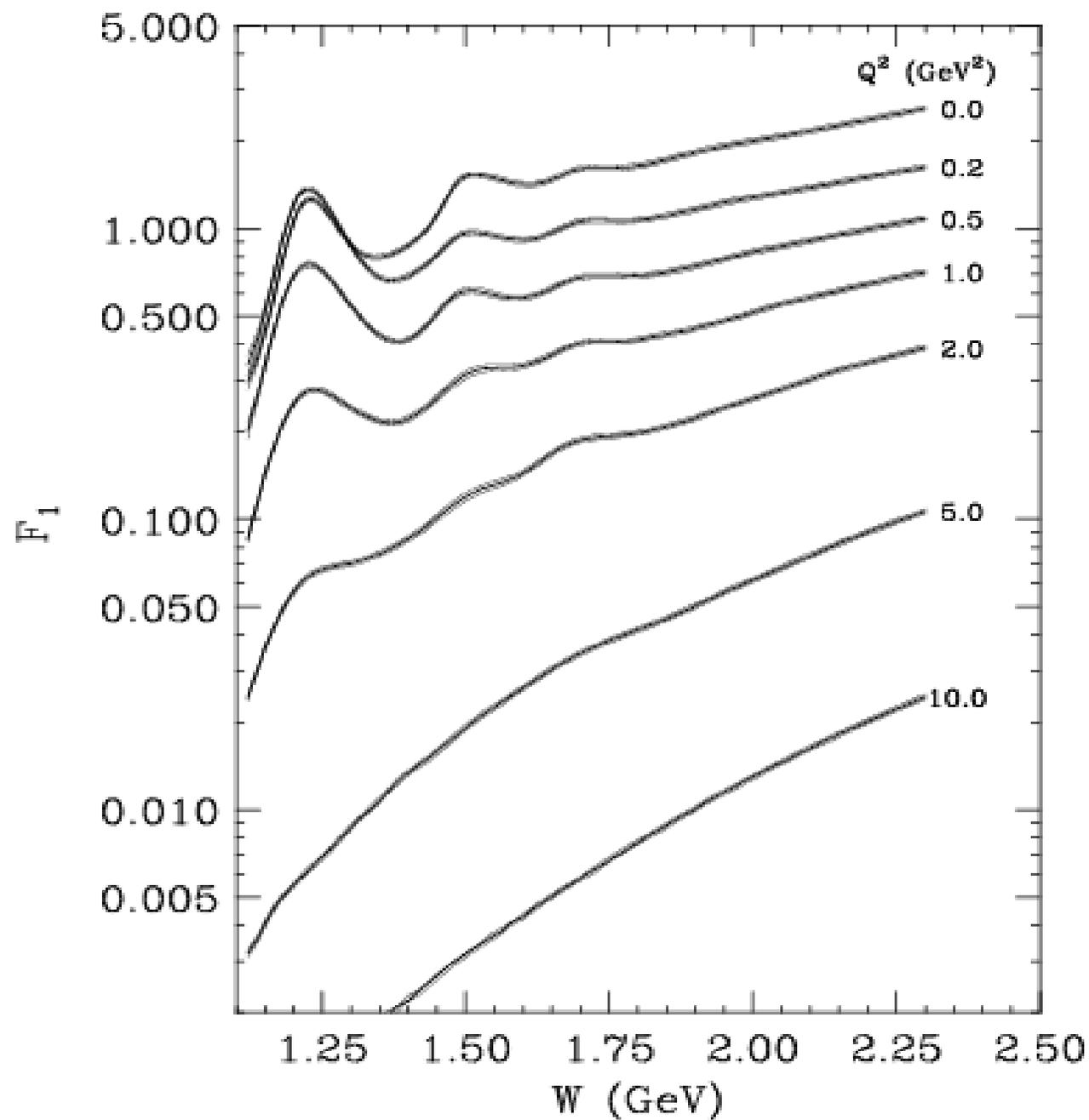
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- Underlying fit is Fermi-smearing using 20 bins of equal probability in  $dW$ , for comparison with actual data. Crucial step is very efficient coding of Fermi smearing.
- Additional parameters are used to describe effects beyond Fermi-smearing such as Final State Interactions (FSI) and Meson Exchange Currents (MEC). This fills in the “dip” between quasi-elastic and  $\Delta(1232)$ .

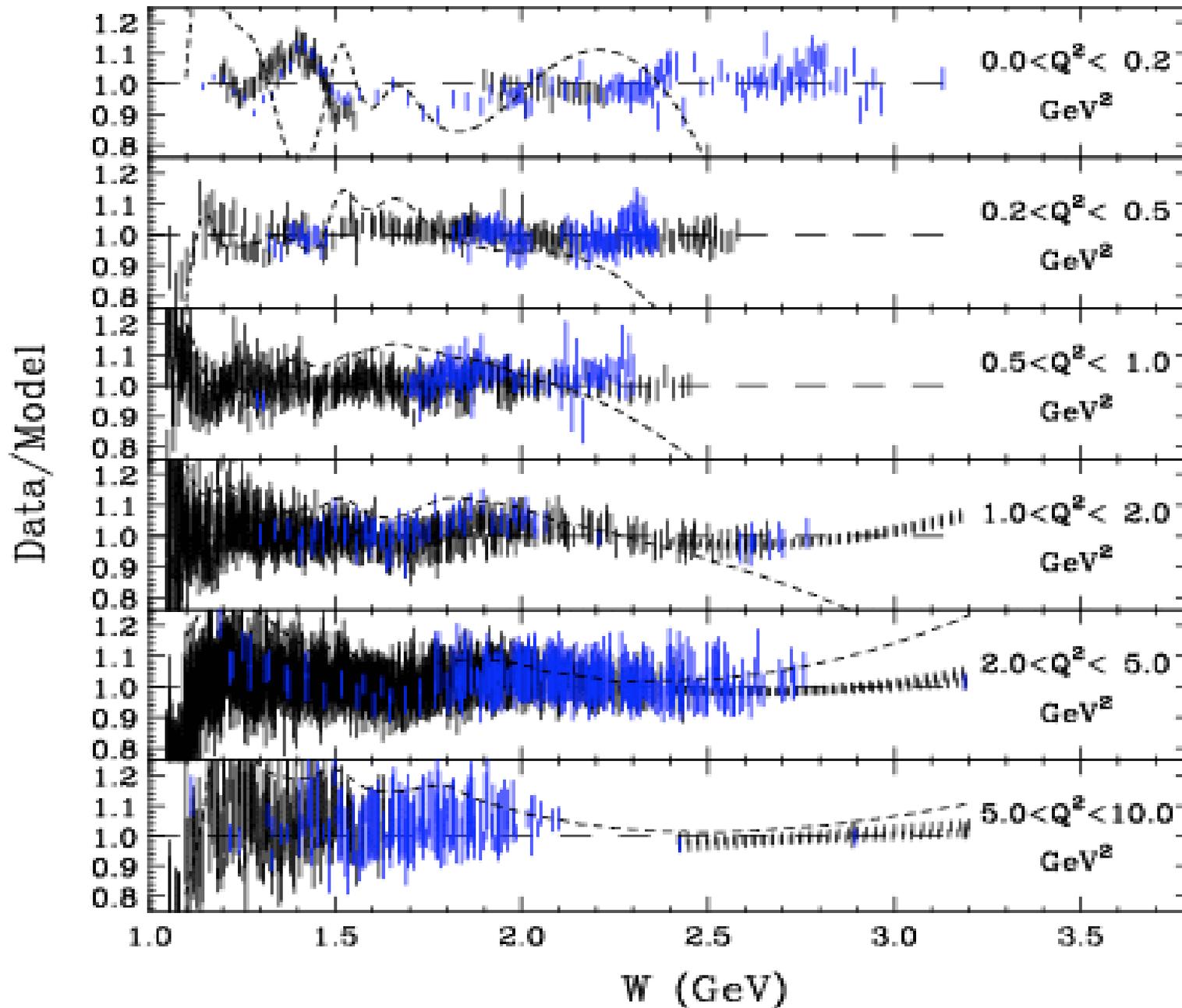
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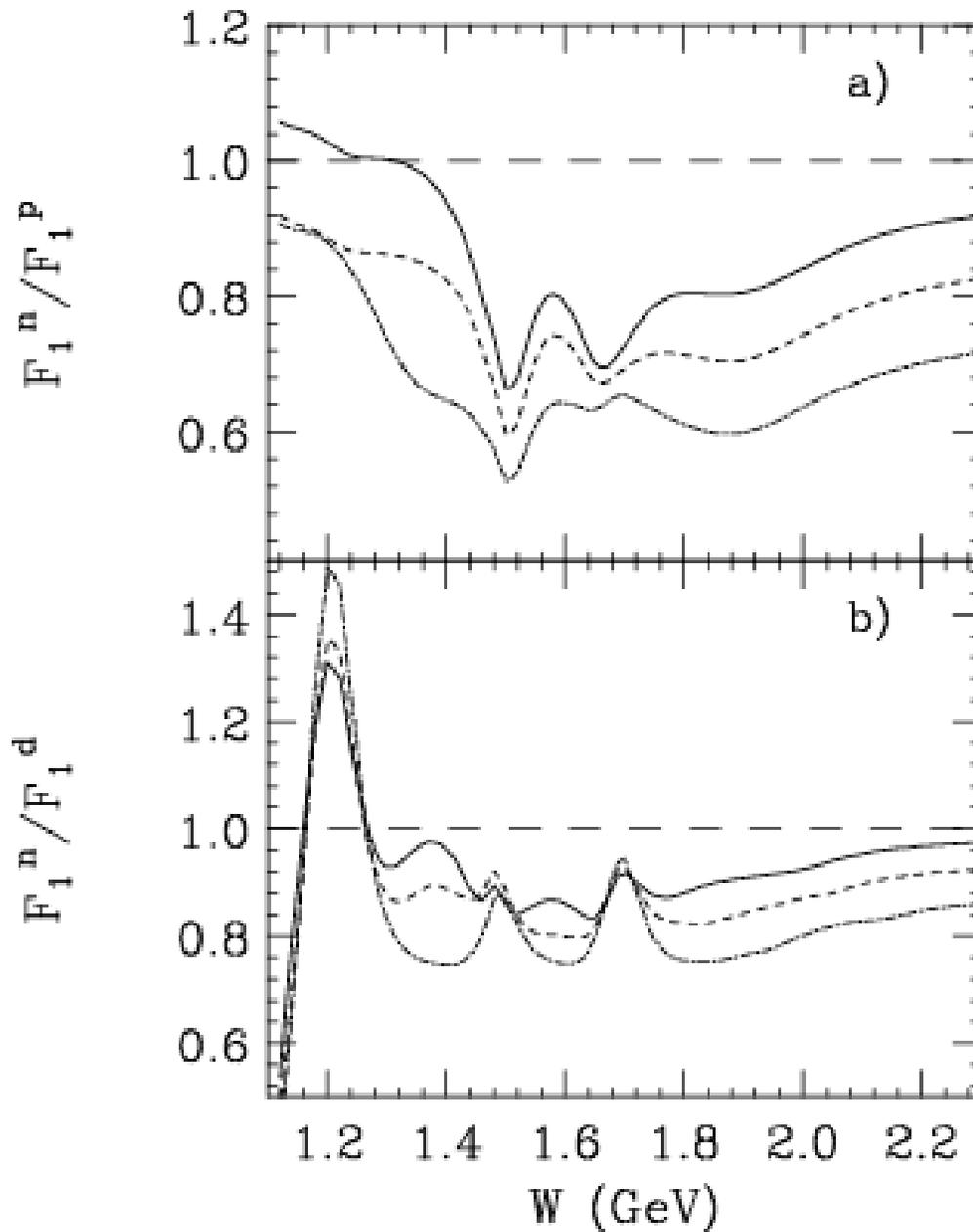
- Also speeded up code by pre-calculating resonance parameters (for example branching ratios for single pion, double pion, or eta) as a function of  $W$  and storing for later use.
- Used 1/10 of data to get starting parameters, then full data to refine results.

# Deuteron $F_1$ fit results



# Ratios deuteron data to fit (blue is low $\varepsilon$ )



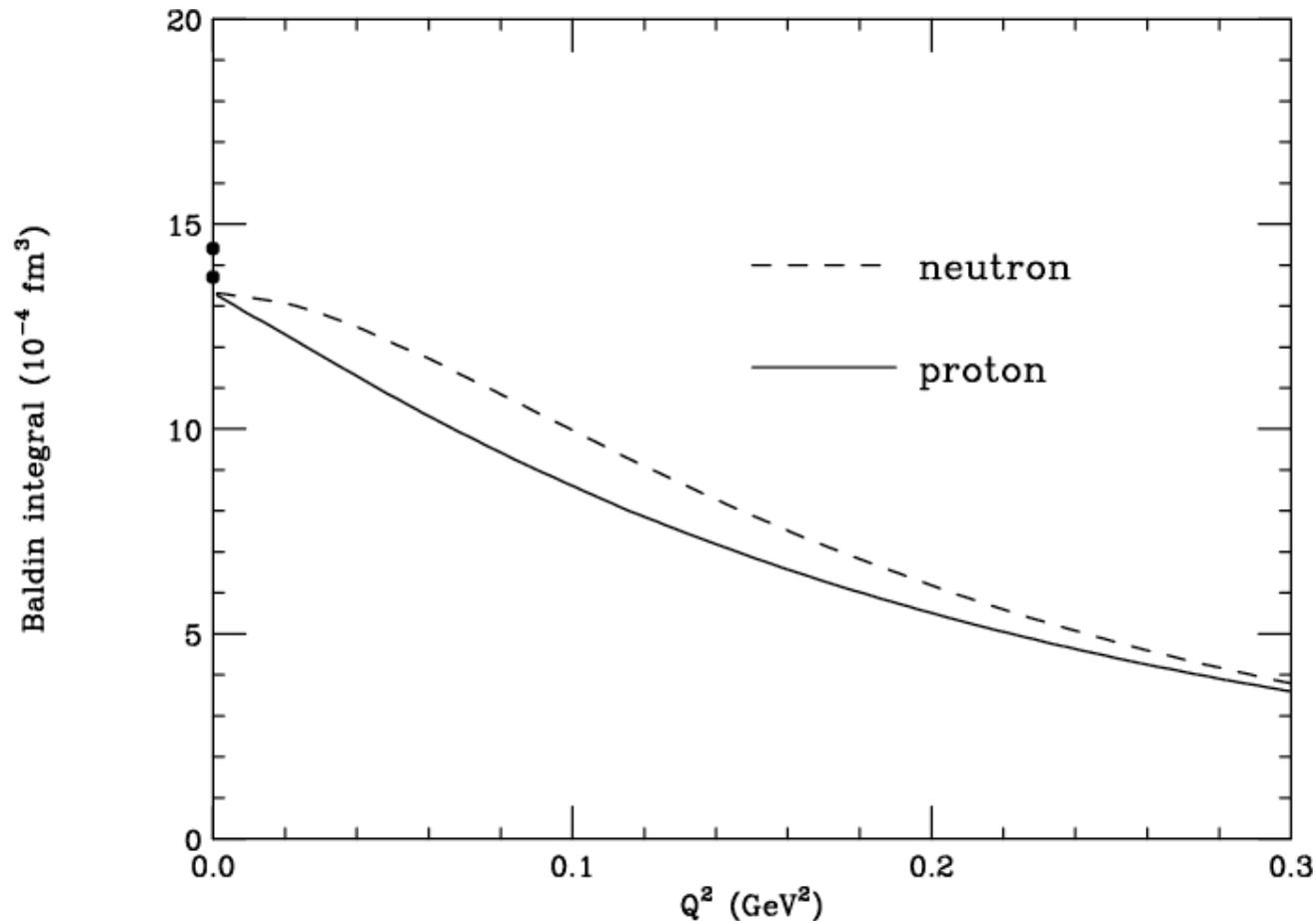


**n/p ratios at  
 $Q^2=0.5, 1, 2 \text{ GeV}^2$**

**n/d ratios at  
 $Q^2=0.5, 1, 2 \text{ GeV}^2$   
 (see BONUS exp.  
 talk C. Keppel)**

# Application to extended Baldin sum rule

Relates nucleon polarizability to integral of  $2xF_1$  from zero to pion threshold.  $Q^2$  dependence should be calculable (analog of GDH sum rule).



# Outlook

- **Fit both  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  (or  $F_1$  and  $R$ ) for  $d$ ,  $n$**
- **Include “free neutron” data from BONUS experiment in fitting.**
- **Extend to higher  $Q^2$  with 12 GeV JLab.**
- **Extend to  $A > 2$  (in progress)**

# Fit A>2 includes new data from CLAS for $^{15}\text{N}/^{12}\text{C}$ and $^4\text{He}/^{12}\text{C}$

(CLAS Collaboration, P.E. Bosted, R. Fersch et al., arXiv: 0712.2438 (2007))

