

# Electroweak Physics

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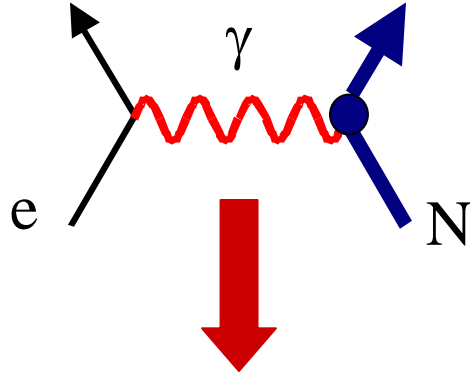
Electroweak physics is a broad subject. I will limit these lectures to:

- Low energies/momentum transfers  $\rightarrow Q^2 < 1 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$
- Elastic scattering only (mostly  $e + N$  reactions but some  $\nu + N$  and  $e + e$ )

These lectures will cover the majority of the electroweak physics going on at electron accelerators in the nuclear physics category.

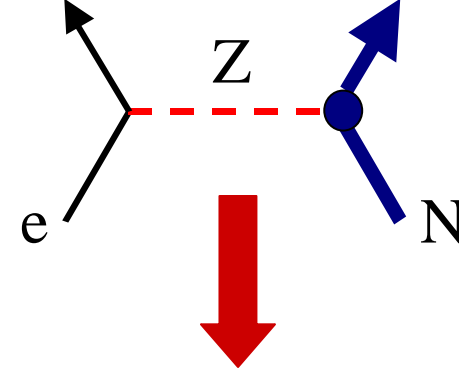
# Lecture 1

## What are we going to cover?



$e + N \rightarrow e + N$   $N = \text{nucleon}$   
Electromagnetic Form Factors  
( $G_E^p, G_M^p, G_E^n, G_M^n$ )

- $G_E^p, G_M^p$  ratio
  - 2 photon physics
- improved knowledge of  $G_E^n$



$\vec{e} + N \rightarrow e + N$   $N = \text{nucleon}$   
Parity-violating electron scattering  
Neutral Weak Form Factors  
( $G_E^{Z,p}, G_M^{Z,p}, G_E^{Z,n}, G_M^{Z,n}, G_A^e$ )

- Strange vector form factors
- Nucleon's anapole moment

### Low energy Standard Model Tests

- Weak charge of the electron
- Weak charge of the proton
- Weak charge of the neutron

We will also cover the experimental techniques unique to the parity-violating electron scattering types of experiments.

# From Zero to $Z^0$

**A WORKSHOP ON PRECISION ELECTROWEAK PHYSICS**  
Fermilab, May 12-14, 2004

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The search for physics beyond the Standard Model lies at the forefront of particle, nuclear, and atomic physics and has a broad spectrum of physics, from high energy colliders to laboratory table top. This workshop provides a rare opportunity for physicists working on electroweak physics at different energy scales to interact with others involved in complementary efforts and to gain a more comprehensive picture of the search for new physics.

The broad perspective on the field will be addressed through a series of primary talks plus discussion, with ample opportunities for interdisciplinary interactions.

## Workshop will include:

**Electroweak physics at present and future colliders**  
**CP violation in heavy and light-quark systems**  
**Weak decays - Rare and forbidden processes**  
**Fundamental symmetry tests - Lepton scattering**

Although there will be no parallel sessions or contributed talks, the opening reception will include a poster session to provide participants an opportunity to present their own work. The workshop will conclude with a panel discussion addressing issues for the future of the field.

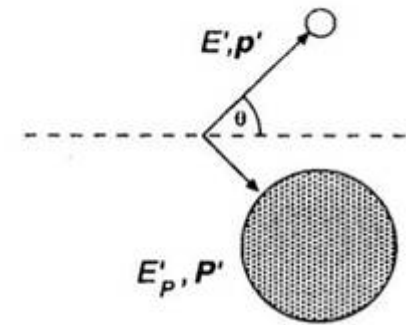
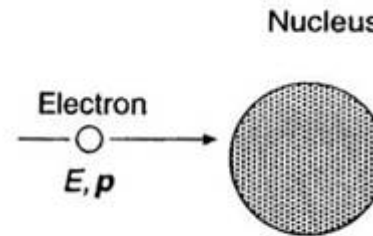
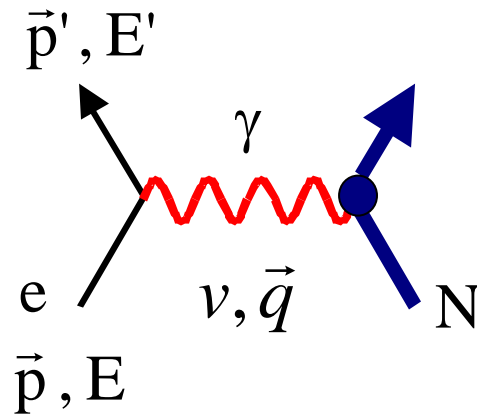
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# Outline of Lectures

1. Develop the formalism of parity-violating electron scattering with stops for:
  - electromagnetic form factors
  - QCD and nucleon "strangeness"
2. Experimental aspects unique to all parity-violating electron scattering experiments
3. Review of experiments devoted to strange form factor measurements (including new results just reported last week)
4. Motivation for low energy Standard Model tests
5. Review of experiments devoted to low energy Standard Model tests

# Kinematics of Elastic Electron-Nucleon Scattering



$\nu = E - E'$  energy transfer to recoiling nucleon

$\vec{q} = \vec{p} - \vec{p}'$  3-momentum transfer to recoiling nucleon

$q^2 = \nu^2 - \vec{q}^2 \equiv -Q^2$  squared 4-momentum transfer

$Q^2 = 4 E E' \sin^2 \left( \frac{\theta_e}{2} \right)$  Lorentz invariant

## Recall the Dirac Equation and Currents

Dirac equation for free electron:  $(i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) \psi = 0$

where:

$$\gamma^\mu = (\gamma^0, \vec{\gamma}) \quad \gamma^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{1} & 0 \\ 0 & -\vec{1} \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{\gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \vec{\sigma} \\ -\vec{\sigma} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

with:  $\mu = 0$  time,  $\mu = 1, 2, 3$  space

leads to electron four-vector current density:

$$j^\mu = -e \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi \quad \text{where the adjoint is: } \bar{\psi} \equiv \psi^\dagger \gamma^0$$

satisfies the continuity equation:  $\partial_\mu j^\mu = 0$

# Bilinear Covariants and Their Symmetry Properties

We describe physical processes through interacting currents

→ need to construct most general form of currents consistent with Lorentz invariance

Terms of the form	$\bar{\psi} (4 \times 4) \psi$	P	T	C
Scalar	$\bar{\psi} \psi$	+1	+1	+1
Pseudoscalar	$\bar{\psi} \gamma^5 \psi$	-1	-1	+1
Vector	$\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi$	$(-1)^\mu$	$(-1)^\mu$	-1
Axial Vector	$\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi$	$-(-1)^\mu$	$(-1)^\mu$	+1
Tensor	$\bar{\psi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi$	$(-1)^\mu (-1)^\nu$	$-(-1)^\mu (-1)^\nu$	-1

where  $\gamma^5 \equiv i\gamma^0\gamma^1\gamma^2\gamma^3$

P: parity operator (spatial inversion)

T: time reversal

C: charge conjugation

Note:  $P(V^*V) = +1$

$P(A^*A) = +1$

$P(A^*V) = -1$

## Relation Between Cross Sections and Matrix Elements

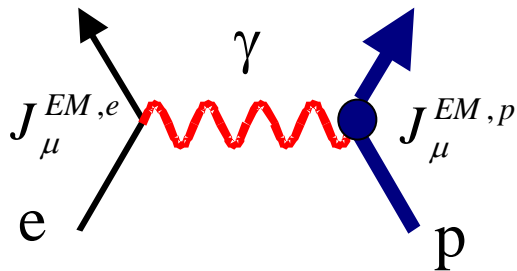
For a process  $A + B \rightarrow C + D$

the differential cross section is

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\bigg|_{cm} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2 s} \frac{p_f}{p_i} |M|^2$$

The physics is all in the matrix element  $M$

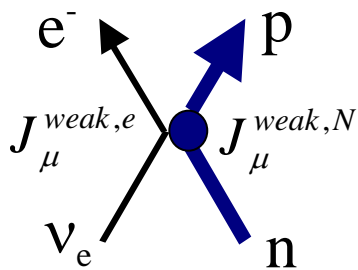
# Electromagnetic and Weak Interactions : Historical View



EM:  $e + p \rightarrow e + p$  elastic scattering

$$M = J_{\mu}^{EM,p} \left( -\frac{e^2}{Q^2} \right) J^{\mu,EM,e} = (\bar{\psi}_p \gamma_{\mu} \psi_p) \left( -\frac{e^2}{Q^2} \right) (\bar{\psi}_e \gamma^{\mu} \psi_e)$$

$$\boxed{V \quad \times \quad V}$$



Weak:  $n \rightarrow e^{-} + p + \bar{\nu}_e$  neutron beta decay

Fermi (1932) : contact interaction, form inspired by EM

$$M = J_{\mu}^{weak,N} G_F J^{\mu,weak,e} = (\bar{\psi}_p \gamma_{\mu} \psi_n) G_F (\bar{\psi}_e \gamma^{\mu} \psi_{\nu_e})$$

$$\boxed{V \quad \times \quad V}$$

Parity Violation (1956, Lee, Yang; 1957, Wu): required modification to form of current - need axial vector as well as vector to get a parity-violating interaction

$$M = J_{\mu}^{weak,N} G_F J^{\mu,weak,e} = (\bar{\psi}_p \gamma_{\mu} (1 - \gamma^5) \psi_n) G_F (\bar{\psi}_e \gamma^{\mu} (1 - \gamma^5) \psi_{\nu_e})$$

$$\boxed{(V - A) \quad \times \quad (V - A)}$$

Note: weak interaction process here is charged current (CC)

# But Zel'Dovich Suggests - What About Neutral Weak Currents ?

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### PARITY NONCONSERVATION IN THE FIRST ORDER IN THE WEAK-INTERACTION CONSTANT IN ELECTRON SCATTERING AND OTHER EFFECTS

Ya. B. ZEL'DOVICH

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J. Exptl. Theoret. Phys. (U.S.S.R.) 36, 964-966  
(March, 1959)

WE assume that besides the weak interaction that causes beta decay,

$$g(\bar{P}ON)(\bar{e}^-O\nu) + \text{Herm. conj.}, \quad (1)$$

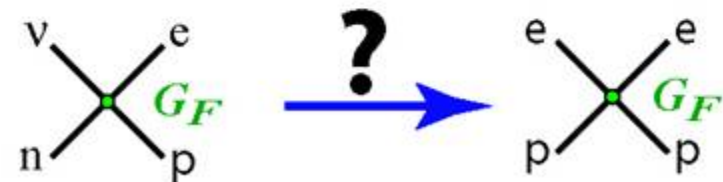
there exists an interaction

$$g(\bar{P}OP)(\bar{e}^-Oe^-) \quad (2)$$

with  $g \approx 10^{-49}$  and the operator  $O = \gamma_\mu(1 + i\gamma_5)$  characteristic<sup>1</sup> of processes in which parity is not conserved.\*

Zel'dovich '59:

- Is there a neutral analog to beta-decay?
- Would determine sign of  $G_F$



# The Neutral Current, Zel'Dovich continued

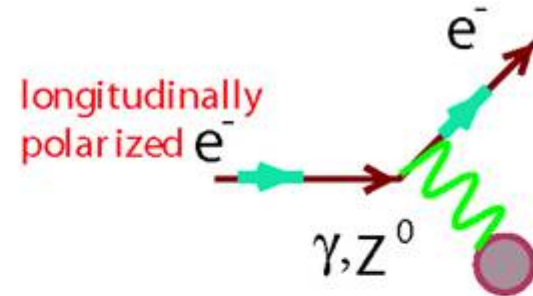
Then in the scattering of electrons by protons the interaction (2) will interfere with the Coulomb scattering, and the nonconservation of parity will appear in terms of the first order in the small quantity  $g$ . Owing to this it becomes possible to test the hypothesis used here experimentally and to determine the sign of  $g$ .

## parity nonconservation via weak-electromagnetic interference

The matrix element of the Coulomb scattering is of the order of magnitude  $e^2/k^2$ , where  $k$  is the momentum transferred ( $\hbar = c = 1$ ). Consequently, the ratio of the interference term to the Coulomb term is of the order of  $gk^2/e^2$ .

## parity violating asymmetry

In the scattering of fast ( $\sim 10^8$  eV) longitudinally polarized electrons through large angles by unpolarized target nuclei it can be expected that the cross-sections for right-hand and left-hand electrons (i.e., for electrons with  $\sigma \cdot p > 0$  and  $\sigma \cdot p < 0$ ) can differ by 0.1 to 0.01 percent. Such an effect is a specific test for an interaction not conserving parity.



$$\sigma \propto |A_{\gamma} + A_{\text{weak}}|^2$$

$$A_{LR} = \frac{\sigma_{\uparrow} - \sigma_{\downarrow}}{\sigma_{\uparrow} + \sigma_{\downarrow}} \sim \frac{A_{\text{weak}}}{A_{\gamma}} \sim \frac{G_F Q^2}{4\pi\alpha}$$

$$Q^2 \sim 0.1 - 1 \text{ GeV}^2$$



$$A_{LR} \lesssim 10^{-6} - 10^{-4}$$

# Standard Model of Electroweak Interactions (1967)

Weinberg-Salam Model (1967): electroweak - unified EM and weak  
 $\rightarrow$   $SU(2) \times U(1)$  gauge theory with spontaneous symmetry breaking

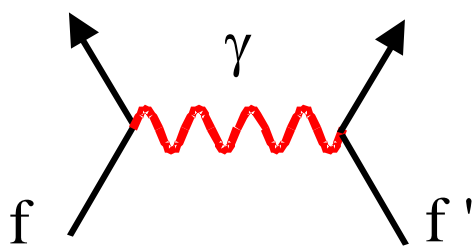
fermions:

Leptons:  $e^-$ ,  $\nu_e$     $\mu^-$ ,  $\nu_\mu$     $\tau^-$ ,  $\nu_\tau$    +   anti-particles  
 Quarks:  $u$ ,  $d$     $s$ ,  $c$     $b$ ,  $t$    +   anti-particles

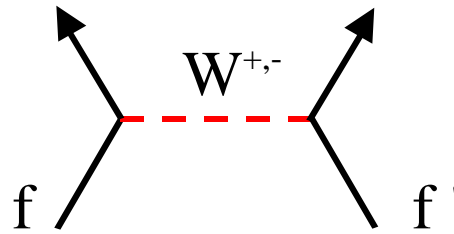
gauge bosons:

EM:  $\gamma$  ( $m_\gamma = 0$ )

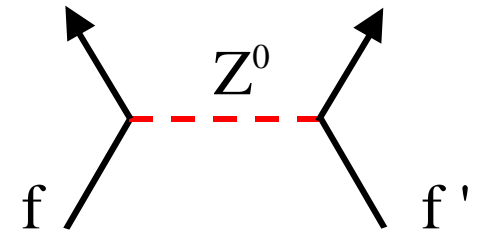
weak:  $W^{+,-}$  ( $m_W = 80 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ )    $Z^0$  ( $m_Z = 91 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ )



electromagnetic interaction:  
charged fermions participate



charged current weak interaction:  
all fermions participate



neutral current weak :  
all fermions participate

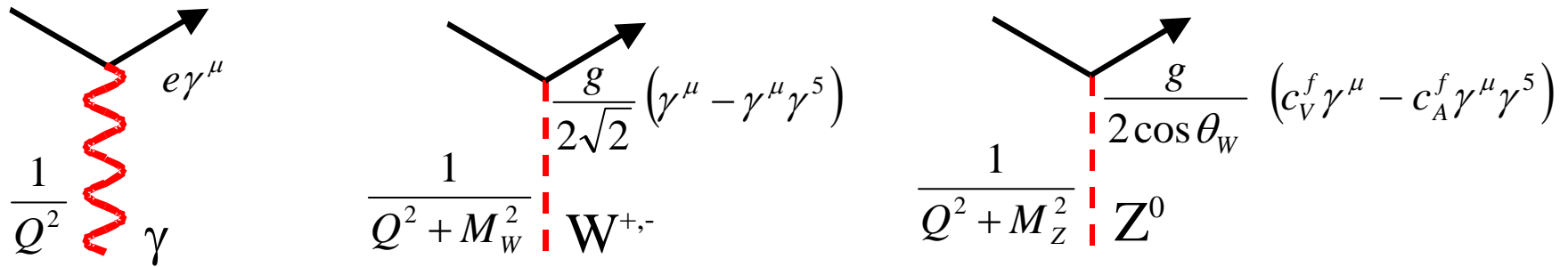
Neutral weak currents first observed at CERN in 1973  
 in reactions like

$$\bar{\nu}_\mu + e^- \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu + e^-$$

# Feynman Rules for Calculating M in the Standard Model

The fundamental parameter of the Standard Model is the weak mixing angle -  $\theta_w$   $\sin \theta_w = \frac{e}{g}$  where  $e$  and  $g$  are the electromagnetic and weak couplings

Feynman rules:



$\gamma$  - only couples to electromagnetic vector current

$W, Z$  - couple to both weak vector and axial-vector currents

$$M_{EM} \propto \frac{e^2}{Q^2} \quad M_{weak} \propto \frac{g^2}{Q^2 + M_{W,Z}^2}$$

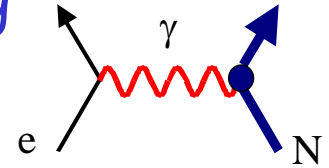
$$\text{For } Q^2 \ll M_Z^2 \quad \frac{M_{weak}}{M_{EM}} \sim \frac{g^2 Q^2}{e^2 M_{W,Z}^2}$$

$$\text{Note: } G_F = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{8} \frac{g^2}{M_W^2} \text{ is the Fermi coupling constant}$$

# Electromagnetic e- p Elastic Scattering

From the Feynman rules, the matrix element is:

$$M = J_{\mu}^{EM,p} \left( -\frac{e^2}{Q^2} \right) J^{\mu,EM,e} = \left( J_{\mu}^{EM,p} \right) \left( -\frac{e^2}{Q^2} \right) (\bar{\psi}_e \gamma^{\mu} \psi_e)$$



But the proton (unlike the electron) is not a point-like Dirac particle (need to introduce form factors to characterize its structure):

$$\langle N | J_{\mu}^{\gamma} | N \rangle = \bar{u}_N \left( \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Dirac}}}{F_1^{\gamma}(Q^2)} \gamma_{\mu} + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Pauli}}}{F_2^{\gamma}(Q^2)} \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^{\nu}}{2M_N} \right) u_N$$

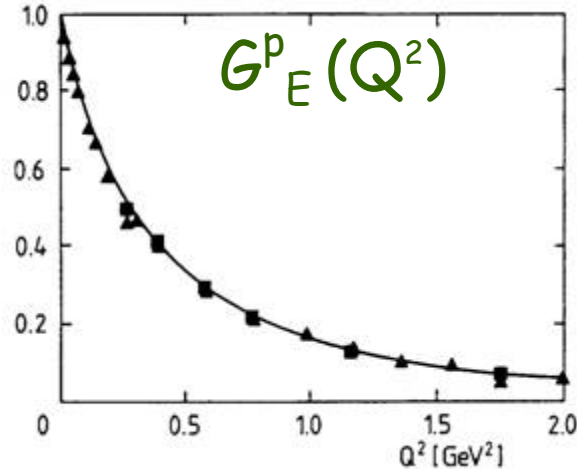
Another way to write the form factors is the Sachs definition:

$$G_E = F_1 - \tau F_2 \quad G_M = F_1 + F_2 \quad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M_N^2}$$

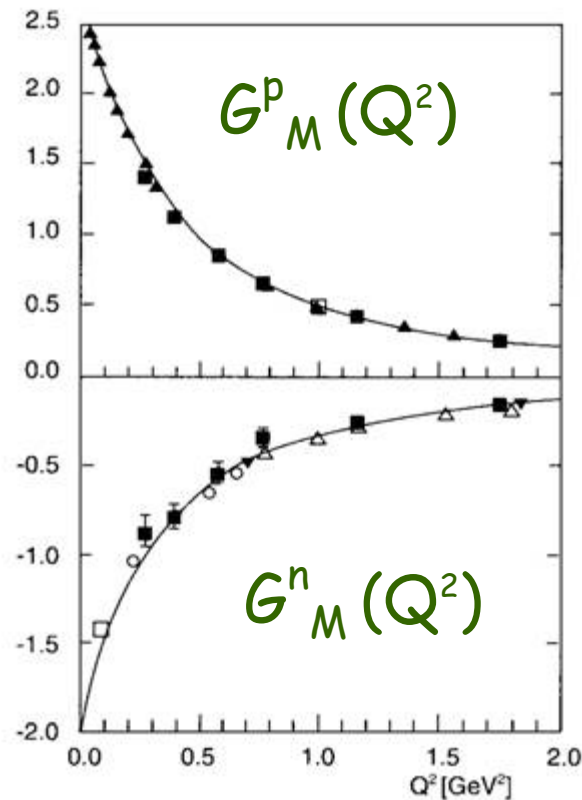
The cross section for e-p elastic scattering is then given as: (Rosenbluth formula)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto |M|^2 = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{Mott}} \left[ \frac{G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2} \right]$$

# Proton and Neutron EM Form Factors: Measurements



$$G_E^p(0) = q = +e$$



$$G_M^p(0) = \mu_p = 2.79 \mu_N$$

$$G_M^n(0) = \mu_n = -1.91 \mu_N$$

$$Q^2 \sim 0 - 2 \text{ GeV}^2$$

All follow (appear) to follow dipole form:

$$G_D(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\left[1 + \left(\frac{Q^2}{0.71 (\text{GeV}/c)^2}\right)\right]^2}$$

In Breit frame

Fourier transform yields spatial distribution

$$\rho(R) = \rho_0 \exp(-R/R_0) \text{ where } R_0 \sim 0.25 \text{ fm}$$

$E \rightarrow$  spatial charge distribution  
 $M \rightarrow$  spatial magnetization distribution

# Nucleon Spacelike ( $q^2 < 0$ ) Electromagnetic Form Factors

$$J_\mu^\gamma = F_1^\gamma \gamma_\mu + F_2^\gamma \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{2M_N}$$

$\uparrow$        $\uparrow$   
 Dirac   Pauli

**Sachs:**  $G_E = F_1 - \tau F_2$      $G_M = F_1 + F_2$

$$\tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M_N^2}$$

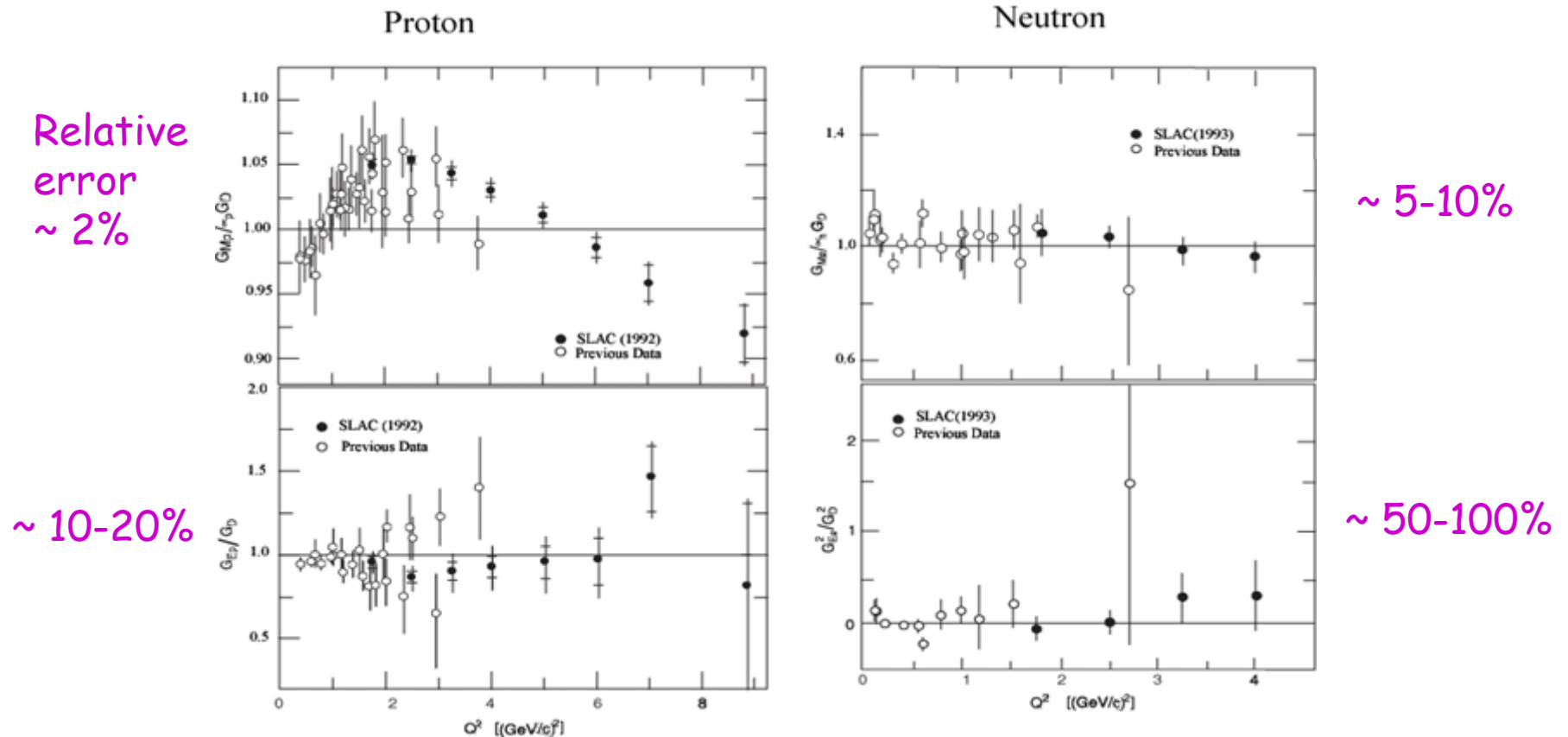
- **1960's - early 1990's** :  $G_E^p, G_M^p, G_E^n, G_M^n$  measured using Rosenbluth separation in  $e + p$  (elastic) and  $e + d$  (quasielastic):

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{Mott}} \left[ \frac{G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2} \right]$$

- **early 1990's - present**: Polarization observables and ratio techniques used

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \vec{e} + \vec{N} \rightarrow e' + N' \qquad \qquad \vec{e} + N \rightarrow e' + \vec{N}' \\
 \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \underbrace{\dots(G_E^2 + \dots G_M^2)}_{(d\sigma/d\Omega)_{\text{unpol}}} + \underbrace{\dots P_e P_N^\perp G_E G_M}_{A_\perp} + \underbrace{\dots P_e P_N^\parallel G_M^2}_{A_\parallel}
 \end{array}$$

# Nucleon Spacelike EM Form Factors, World Data - 1993

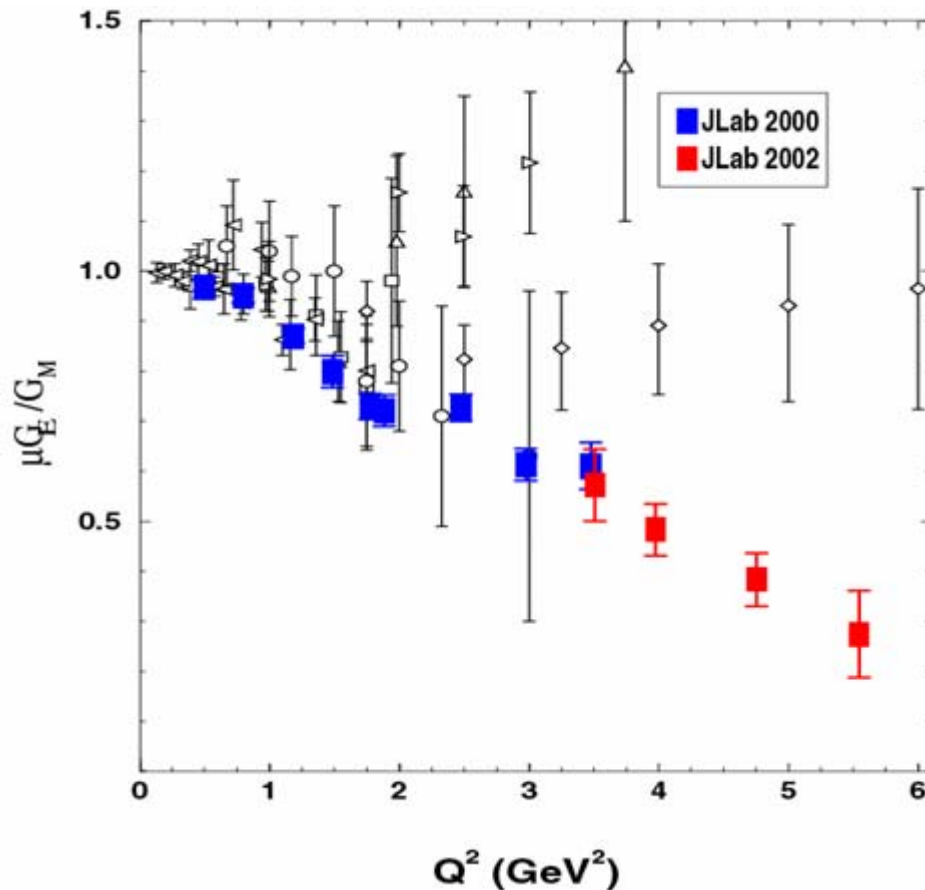


Knowledge of nucleon spacelike EM form factors in 1993:

→  $G_E^p, G_M^p, G_M^n$  follow dipole form  $G_D = (1 + Q^2/0.71)^{-2}$  at ~20% level

→  $G_E^n \sim 0$  (from quasielastic e-d data)

# Proton Electromagnetic Form Factor Ratio: $G_E^p / G_M^p$



Older data: Rosenbluth separation

JLab 2000: M. K. Jones, *et al.*

JLab 2002: O. Gayou, *et al.*

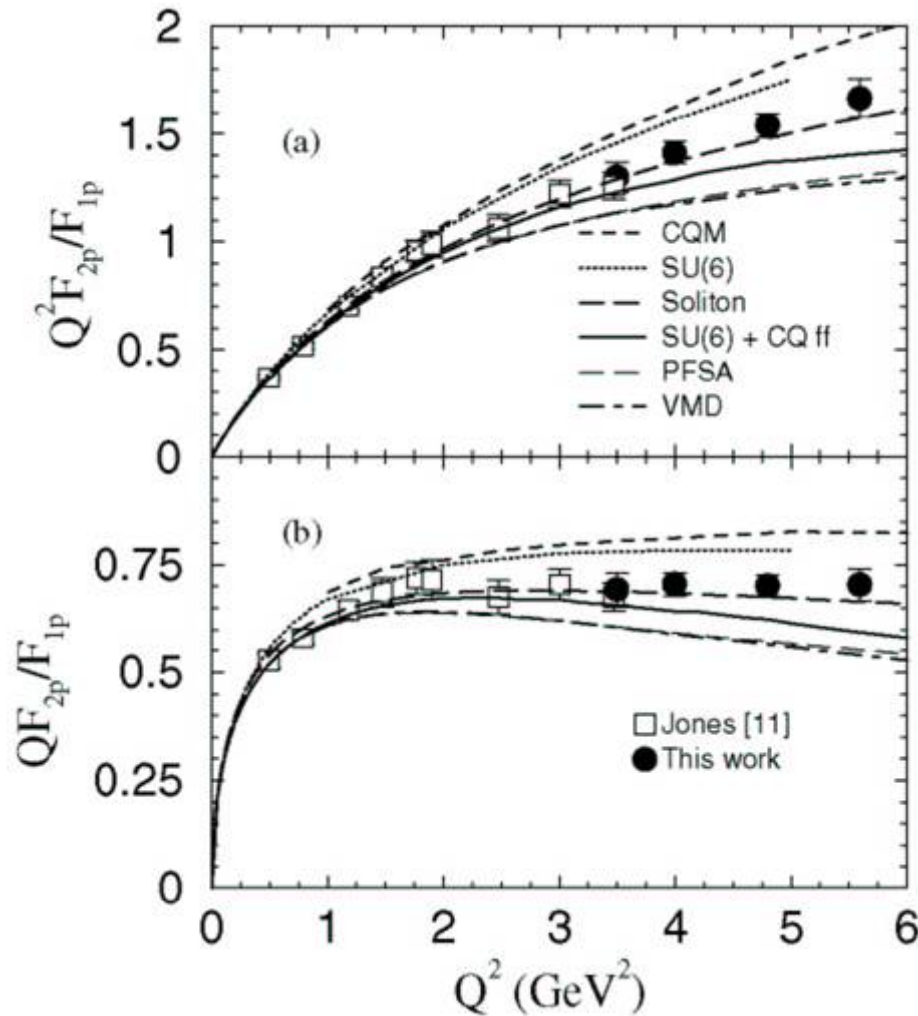
using measurements of recoil  
proton polarization in Hall A with

$$\vec{e} + p \rightarrow e + \vec{p}$$

$$\frac{G_E^p}{G_M^p} = -\frac{P_t}{P_l} \frac{E_e + E_{e'}}{2M} \tan\left(\frac{\theta_e}{2}\right)$$

→ Difference in the spatial distribution of charge and magnetization currents in the proton

# Proton EM Form Factor Ratio $F_2^p / F_1^p$ : pQCD predictions



pQCD prediction: As  $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$

$$F_1^p \propto 1/Q^4 \quad F_2^p \propto 1/Q^6$$

$$Q^2 F_2^p / F_1^p \rightarrow \text{constant}$$

→ not being reached yet

Ralston, *et al.* suggested different scaling behavior:

$$F_2^p / F_1^p \propto 1/Q$$

when quark orbital angular momentum included

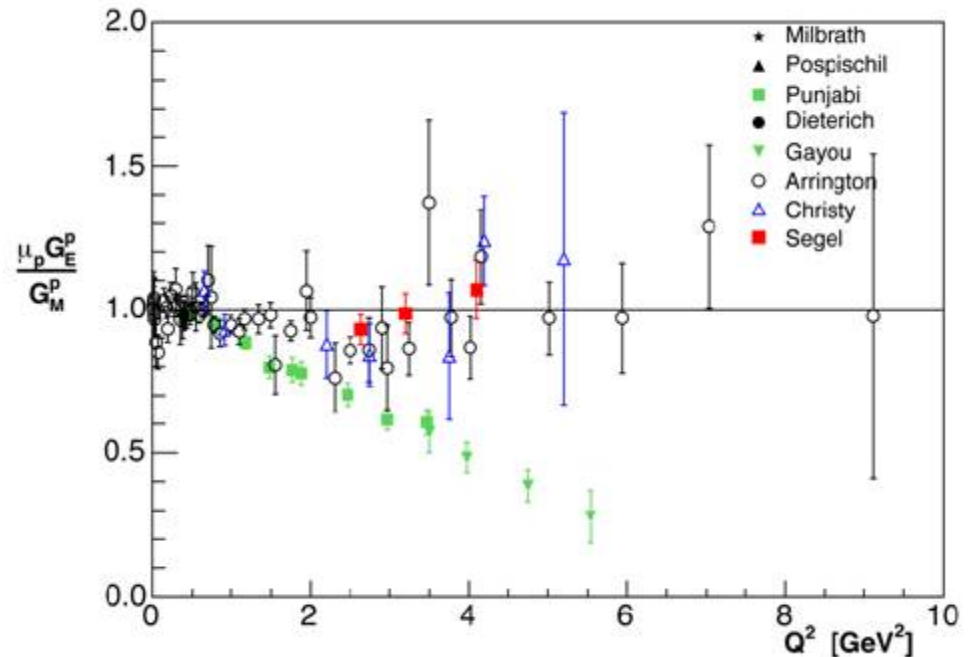
# Comparison of Polarization Transfer and Rosenbluth Techniques

## Recent work on Rosenbluth:

- reanalysis of old SLAC data (Arrington)
- reanalysis of old JLAB data (Christy)
- new "Super-Rosenbluth" measurement in Hall A (Segel, Arrington)

## Conclusion:

- No problem with Rosenbluth
- No problem with polarization transfer

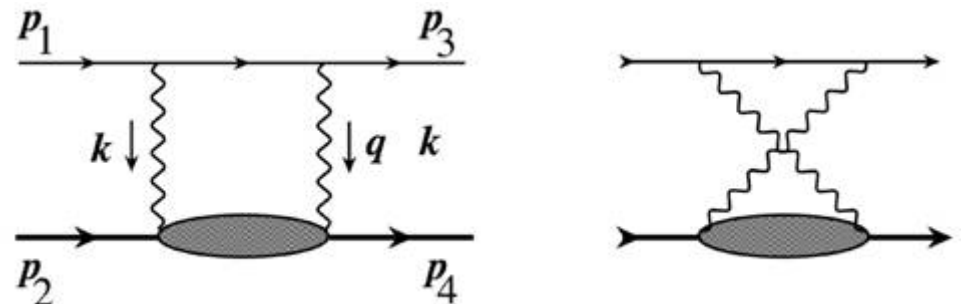


What about radiative corrections?

Have 2-photon graphs been underestimated in the past?

M. Vanderhaeghen and others say YES.

Using the  $G_E^p$  and  $G_M^p$  from polarization transfer and improved calculation of two photon graphs, they can reproduce the Rosenbluth results.



Still an active area, more later if time...

# Neutron Electric Form Factor

Data from:  
beam-target asymmetries  
recoil polarization  
in:

$$\vec{d}(\vec{e}, \vec{e}' n)$$

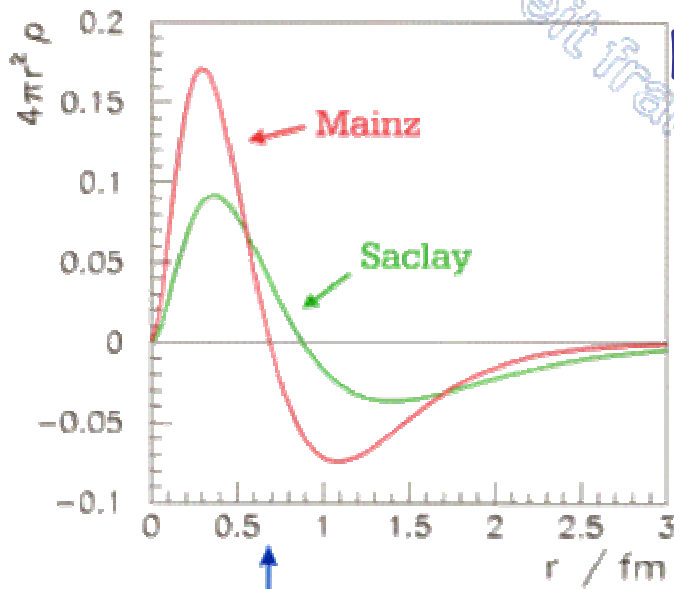
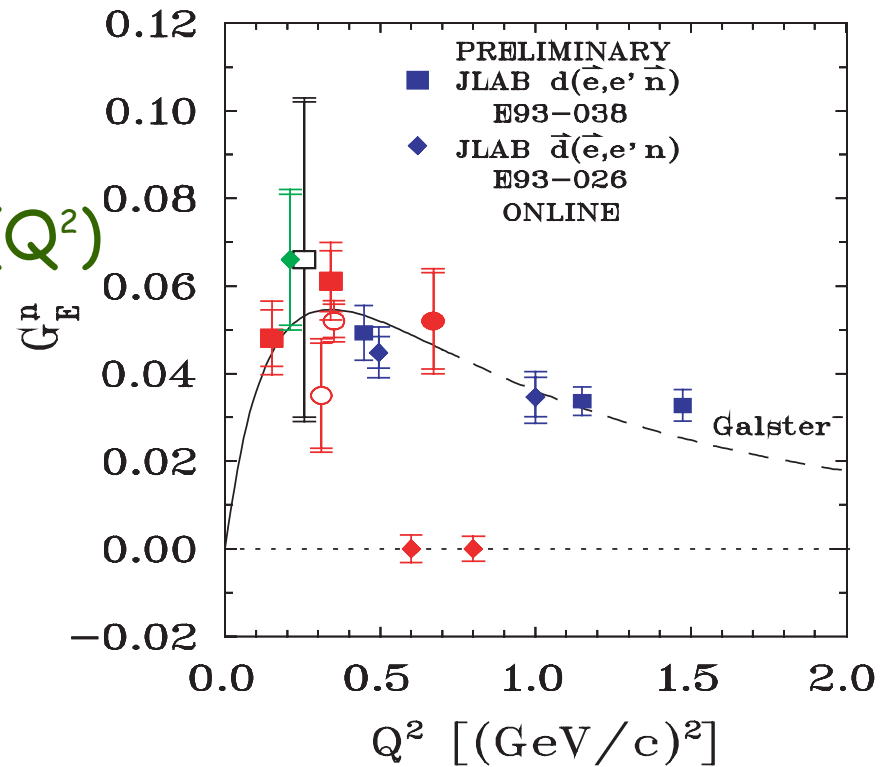
$$d(\vec{e}, \vec{e}' \vec{n})$$

$$^3\vec{He}(\vec{e}, \vec{e}' n)$$

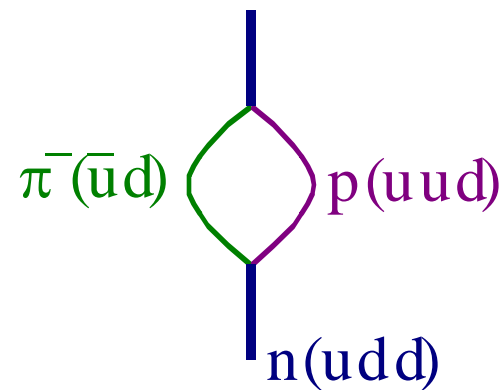
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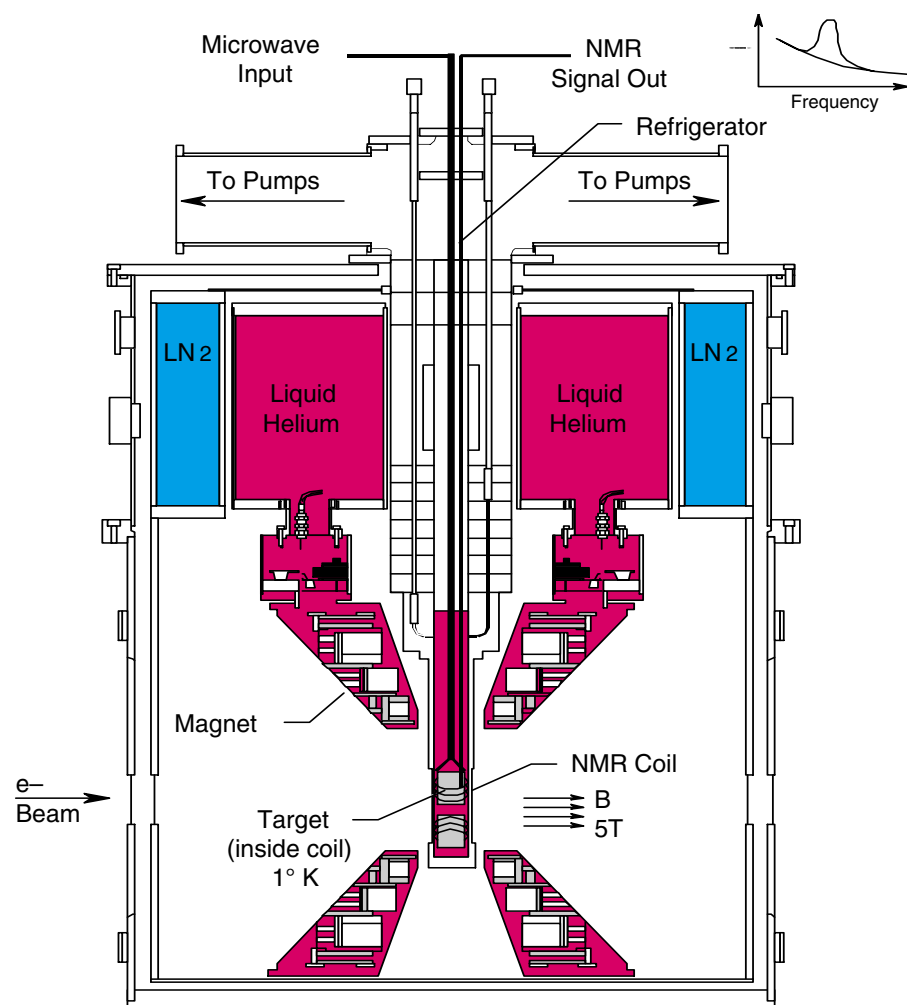
$$G_E^n(Q^2)$$



## Neutron Electric Charge Distribution



# $\text{ND}_3$ DNP Polarized Target Apparatus of JLAB E93-026

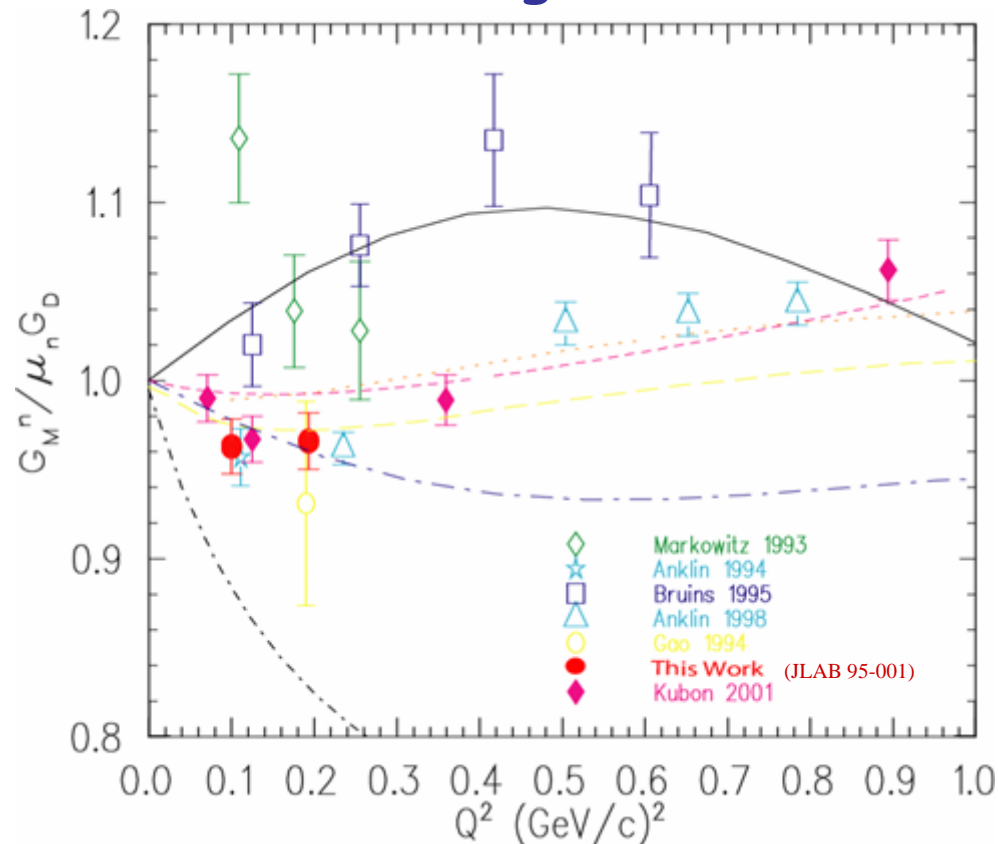


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# Neutron's Magnetic Form Factor $G_M^n$ : Current Status



The most precise recent data comes from ratio measurements:

$$\frac{\sigma(d(e,e'n))}{\sigma(d(e,e'p))}$$

at NIKHEF/Mainz (Anklin, Kubon, et al.)

and ELSA at Bonn (Bruins, et al.)

Large (8-10%) systematic discrepancy between the two data sets : likely due to error in neutron detection efficiency

Newest data: JLAB 95-001 (Xu, et al. 2000)  $^3\text{He}(\vec{e}, e')$  in Hall A agrees with NIKHEF/Mainz data at  $Q^2 = 0.1, 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$

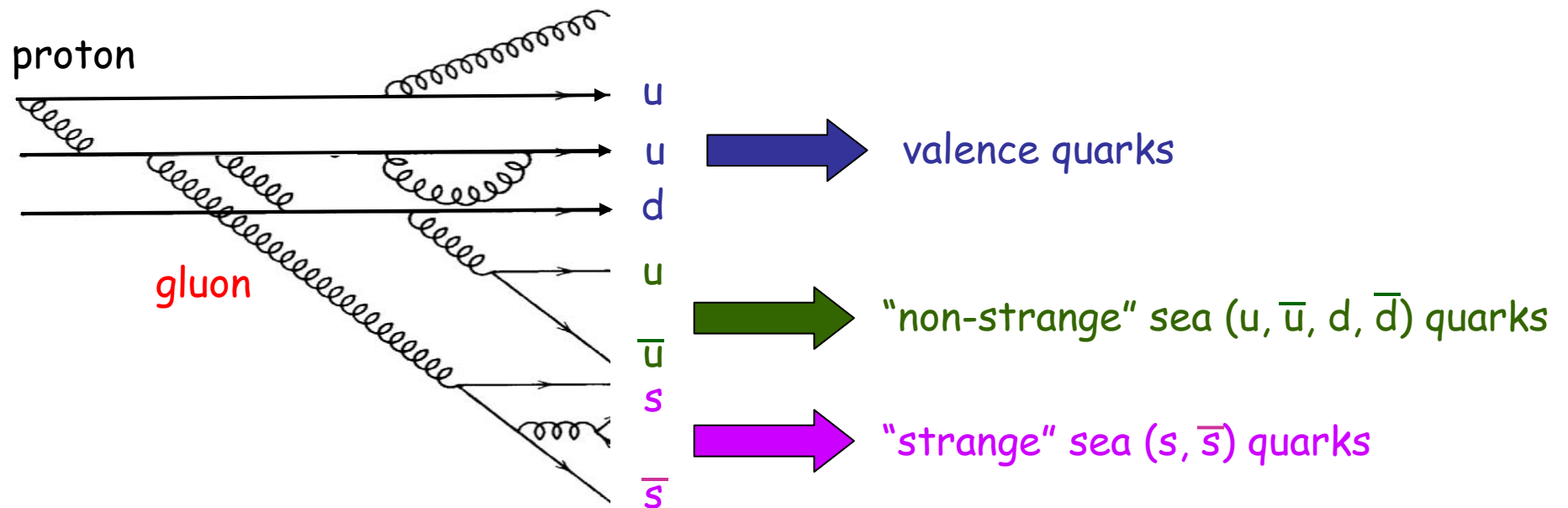
→ more data exists ( $Q^2 = 0.3 - 0.6 \text{ GeV}^2$ ) but requires improved nuclear corrections (relativistic effects need to be included)

# How can we get the nucleon form factors theoretically?

Quantum chromodynamics (QCD): believed to be the correct theory of strong interactions

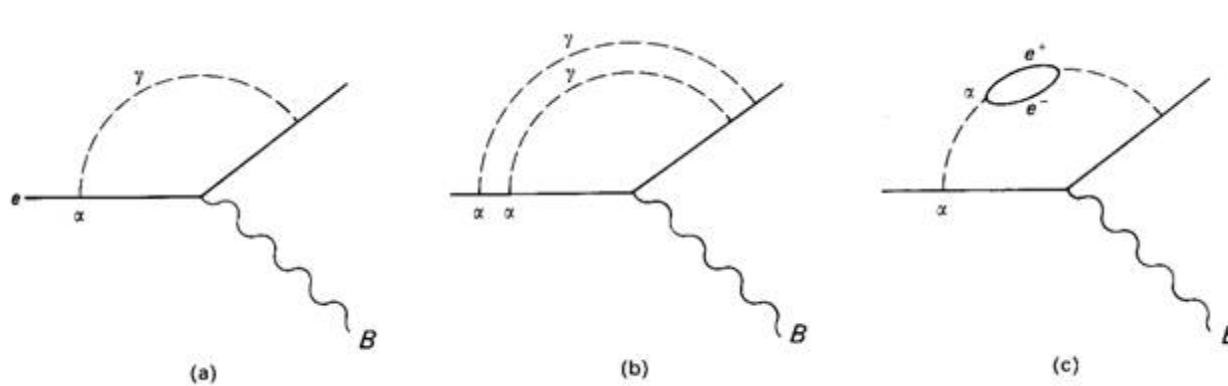
- quarks (3 colors for each) interacting via exchange of
- gluons (8 types)

Until recently only stable objects were mesons (2 quark) and baryons (3 quark)



So we know the constituents of the proton, we have a quantum field theory for their interaction → why can't we solve for its structure?

# Calculation of Electron's Magnetic Moment in QED



Quantum Electrodynamics (QED):  
theory of interacting electrons and photons

perturbation expansion in  $\alpha \sim 1/137$

$$((g-2)/2)_{\text{theory}} = (115965230 \pm 10) \times 10^{-11}$$

$$((g-2)/2)_{\text{experiment}} = (115965219 \pm 1) \times 10^{-11}$$

agreement at 1 part in  $10^8$  level



# Non-perturbative QCD

Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD):  
theory of interacting quarks and gluons

For quarks inside the nucleon,  
typical momenta  $q \sim 0.3 \text{ GeV}/c$

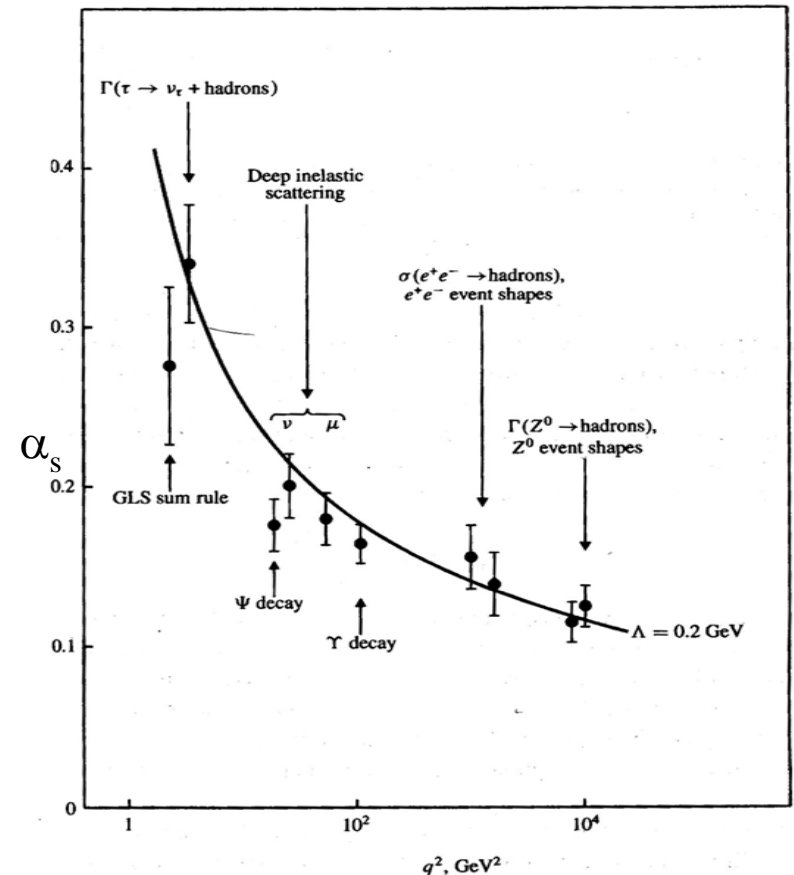
$\rightarrow \alpha_s \sim 1$  cannot solve perturbatively

(unlike QED where  $\alpha \sim 1/137$ )

Eventually, lattice QCD should provide  
the solution;

In meantime we can measured well-  
defined nucleon properties that will  
serve as benchmarks for lattice QCD

QCD(running of  $\alpha_s$ )



like the sea of strange quarks, for example!

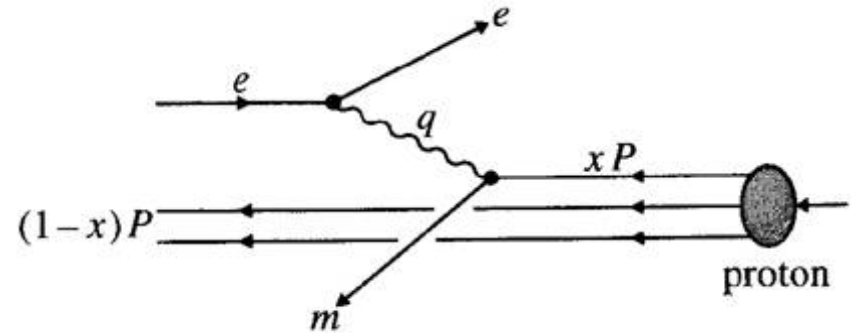
# Do Strange Quarks Contribute to Nucleon Properties?

Deep inelastic scattering,  
contributions of constituents (partons)  
to total momentum of proton:

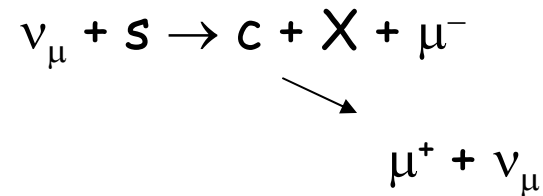
valence quarks:  $u_v$  21%  
 $d_v$  9%

sea quarks:  $(u+\bar{u})$  : 7%  $(d+\bar{d})$ : 8%  
 $(c+\bar{c})$ : 3%  $(b+\bar{b})$ : 1%

gluons: 46%



$(s+\bar{s})$ : 5%



Proton spin:  
measured in polarized deep  
inelastic scattering

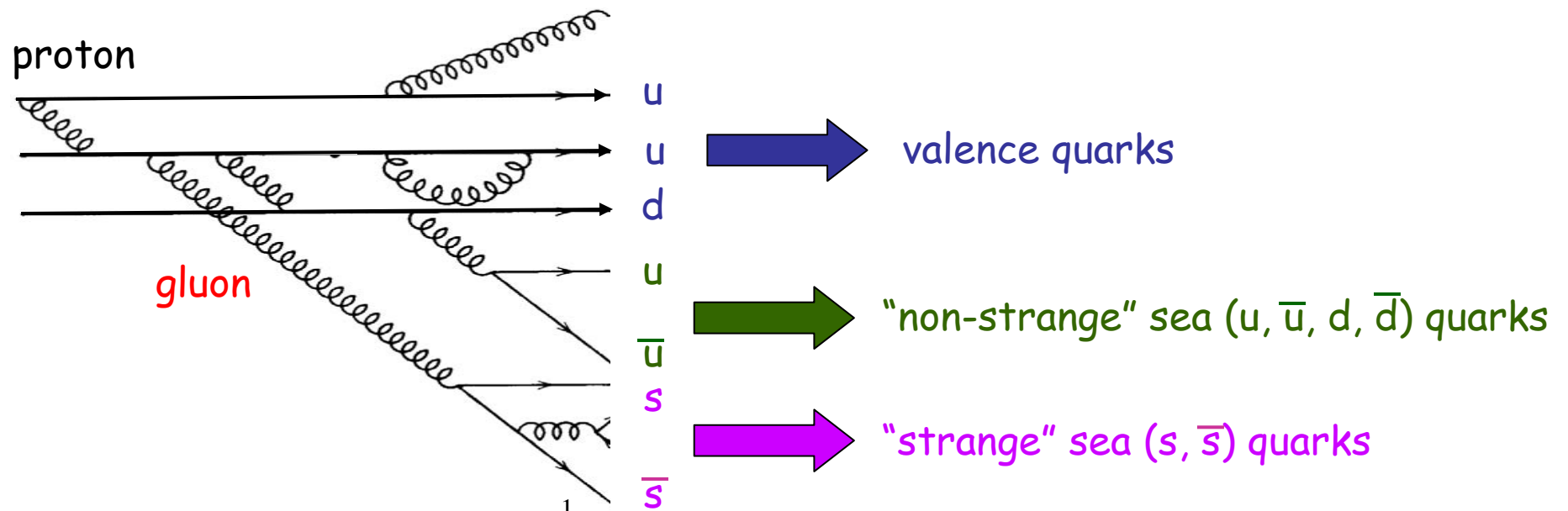
$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(\Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s) + L_q + J_g$$

$$\Delta u + \Delta d + \Delta s = 0.30 \pm 0.10$$

$$\Delta s = -0.1 \pm 0.03$$

→ "Proton spin crisis"

# What role do strange quarks play in nucleon properties?



**Momentum:**

$$\int_0^1 x(s + \bar{s}) dx \sim 4\% \quad (\text{DIS})$$

**Spin:**

$$\langle N | \bar{s} \gamma^5 s | N \rangle \sim -10\% \quad (\text{polarized DIS})$$

**Mass:**

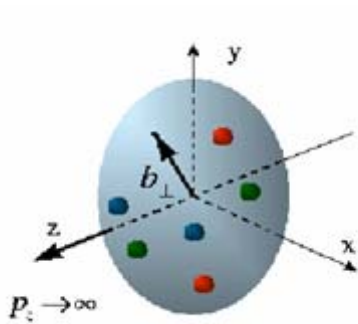
$$\langle N | \bar{s} s | N \rangle \sim 30\% \quad (\pi N \sigma \text{-term})$$

**Charge and current:**

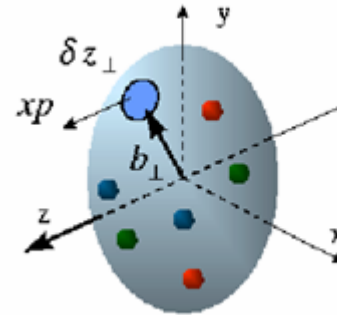
$$\langle N | \bar{s} \gamma^\mu s | N \rangle = ?? \rightarrow G_E^s \quad G_M^s$$

**Main goal of these experiments:** To determine the contributions of the strange quark sea ( $\bar{s} s$ ) to the electromagnetic properties of the nucleon ("strange form factors").

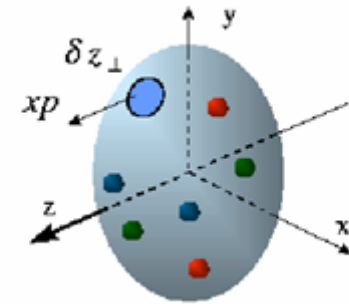
# The complete nucleon landscape - unified description



Elastic scattering:  
transverse quark distribution  
in coordinate space



Deep exclusive scattering (DES):  
Generalized parton dist. (GPD):  
fully-correlated quark distribution  
in coordinate and momentum space



Deep inelastic scattering (DIS):  
longitudinal quark distribution  
in momentum space



Electric and magnetic form  
factors well - measured  
 $G_E$   $G_M$  for p, n  
BUT quark flavor decomposition  
of these form factors is not yet known  
 $G_{E,M}^u$   $G_{E,M}^d$   $G_{E,M}^s$

Measured nucleon  
momentum fractions

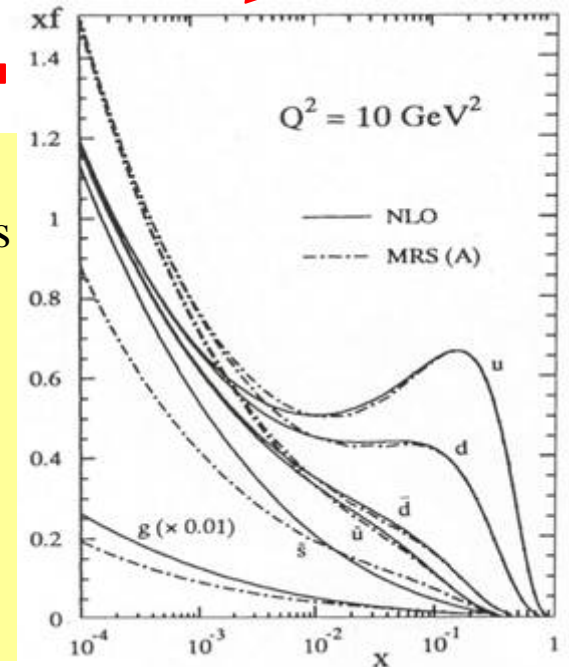
( $Q^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ ):

$$\epsilon_{u+\bar{u}} \sim 37\%$$

$$\epsilon_{d+\bar{d}} \sim 20\%$$

$$\epsilon_{s+\bar{s}} \sim 4\%$$

$$\epsilon_{glue} \sim 39\%$$



The question to be answered by this research:

How does the sea of strange quarks ( $s\bar{s}$  pairs)  
inside the proton (or neutron)  
contribute to its electromagnetic properties:

$$G_E^p, G_M^p, G_E^n, G_M^n?$$

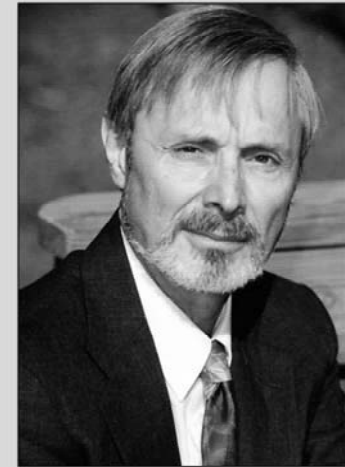
→ Let's measure the strange form factors

$$G_E^s, G_M^s$$

directly and find out.

## JLAB "contracted" to understand nuclei

In 1993 Congress passed and the President signed into law the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA); and as a consequence, we are being held more and more stringently to meet certain objective, quantifiable, and measurable goals. Our performance based contract with the Department of Energy is an expression of this thinking, and future goals for the Office of Science include not only objectives for reliable facility operations but the achievement of scientific objectives, such as describing by 2015 the properties of nucleons and light nuclei in terms of properties and interactions of quarks and gluons.



Christoph Leemann  
Jefferson Lab Director

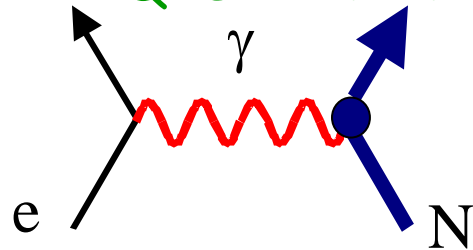
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# Nucleon form factors measured in elastic e-N scattering

## Nucleon form factors

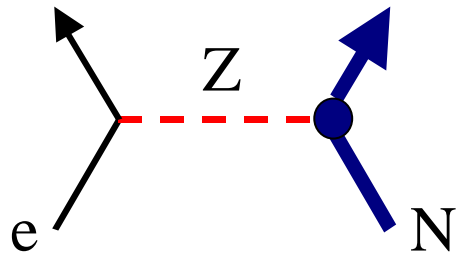
- well defined experimental observables
- provide an important benchmark for testing non-perturbative QCD structure of the nucleon



$$\langle N | J_{\mu}^{\gamma} | N \rangle$$

$$\rightarrow G_E^{\gamma}, G_M^{\gamma}$$

electromagnetic form factors



$$\langle N | J_{\mu}^Z | N \rangle$$

$$\rightarrow G_E^Z, G_M^Z$$

neutral weak form factors

- Measured precision of EM form factors in  $0.1 - 1 \text{ GeV}^2$   $Q^2$  range  $\sim 2 - 4\%$
- Projected precision of NW form factors in  $0.1 - 1 \text{ GeV}^2$   $Q^2$  range  $\sim 10\%$  from the current generation of experiments (for magnetic)

where the nucleon wavefunction is :

$$|N\rangle = |uud\rangle + |uudg\rangle + |uuds\bar{s}\rangle + |uudu\bar{u}\rangle + \dots$$

# How to Measure the Neutral weak form factors

$$\sigma \propto \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{e} \text{---} \gamma \text{---} \text{N} \\ + \\ \text{e} \text{---} Z \text{---} \text{N} \end{array} \right|^2$$

$$= \left| \text{e} \text{---} \gamma \text{---} \text{N} \right|^2 + h_e \left| \text{e} \text{---} \gamma \text{---} \text{N} \right| \left| \text{e} \text{---} Z \text{---} \text{N} \right| + \left| \text{e} \text{---} Z \text{---} \text{N} \right|^2$$

$\vec{e} + N$

(elastic scattering)

$$A = \frac{\sigma_R - \sigma_L}{\sigma_R + \sigma_L} \propto$$

$$\frac{\left| \text{e} \text{---} \gamma \text{---} p \right| \left| \text{e} \text{---} Z \text{---} p \right|}{\left| \text{e} \text{---} \gamma \text{---} p \right|^2}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{-G_F Q^2}{4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \right] \times (\text{form factors}) \approx 10^{-5} - 10^{-6}$$

# Derive the Parity-Violating Asymmetry (hand-waving)

$$J_{\mu}^{EM,e} = Q_e \bar{\psi}_e \gamma_{\mu} \psi_e = Q_e V_{\mu}^{EM,e} \quad J_{\mu}^{NC,e} = (-1 + 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) \bar{\psi}_e \gamma_{\mu} \psi_e + \bar{\psi}_e \gamma_5 \gamma_{\mu} \psi_e = g_V^e V_{\mu}^{NC,e} + g_A^e A_{\mu}^{NC,e}$$

$$J_{\mu}^{EM,N} = V_{\mu}^{EM,N} \quad J_{\mu}^{NC,N} = V_{\mu}^{NC,N} + A_{\mu}^{NC,N}$$

$$M_{EM} \sim \left( \frac{1}{Q^2} \right) Q_e V_{\mu}^{EM,e} V_{\mu}^{EM,N}$$

$$M_{NC} \sim \frac{G}{2\sqrt{2}} \left[ g_V^e V_{\mu}^{NC,e} V_{\mu}^{NC,N} + g_A^e A_{\mu}^{NC,e} V_{\mu}^{NC,N} + g_V^e V_{\mu}^{NC,e} A_{\mu}^{NC,N} + g_A^e A_{\mu}^{NC,e} A_{\mu}^{NC,N} \right]$$

$$M = M_{EM} + M_{NC}$$

Cross section proportional to :

$$|M|^2 = |M_{EM}|^2 + 2 \text{Re}(M_{EM}^* M_{NC}) + |M_{NC}|^2$$

$$A = \frac{\sigma_R - \sigma_L}{\sigma_R + \sigma_L} = \frac{2 \text{Re}(M_{EM}^* M_{NC}^{PV})}{|M_{EM}|^2 + \dots}$$

$$= \frac{G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} \frac{(Q_e V_{\mu}^{EM,e} V_{\mu}^{EM,N} g_A^e A_{\mu}^{NC,e} V_{\mu}^{NC,N} + Q_e V_{\mu}^{EM,e} V_{\mu}^{EM,N} g_V^e V_{\mu}^{NC,e} A_{\mu}^{NC,N})}{(Q_e V_{\mu}^{EM,e} V_{\mu}^{EM,N})^2}$$

## Derive the Parity-Violating Asymmetry (hand-waving), cont.

$$A = \frac{\sigma_R - \sigma_L}{\sigma_R + \sigma_L} = \frac{G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} \frac{(Q_e V_\mu^{EM,e} V_\mu^{EM,N} g_A^e A_\mu^{NC,e} V_\mu^{NC,N} + Q_e V_\mu^{EM,e} V_\mu^{EM,N} g_V^e V_\mu^{NC,e} A_\mu^{NC,N})}{(Q_e V_\mu^{EM,e} V_\mu^{EM,N})^2}$$

$$A = \frac{\sigma_R - \sigma_L}{\sigma_R + \sigma_L} = \left[ \frac{-G_F Q^2}{4\pi\alpha\sqrt{2}} \right] \frac{A_E + A_M + A_A}{2\sigma_{unpol}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_E &= \varepsilon(\theta) G_E^Z(Q^2) G_E^\gamma(Q^2) \\ A_M &= \tau(Q^2) G_M^Z(Q^2) G_M^\gamma(Q^2) \\ A_A &= -(1 - 4\sin^2 \theta_W) \varepsilon' G_A^e(Q^2) G_M^\gamma(Q^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\tau = Q^2/4M^2$$

$$\varepsilon = [1 + 2(1 + \tau)\tan^2(\theta/2)]^{-1}$$

Now how do the neutral weak form factors  $G_E^Z$  and  $G_M^Z$  give us information about the strange form factors?

## First some notation

Recall, we defined the nucleon Dirac and Pauli form factors through :

$$\langle N | J_\mu^\gamma | N \rangle = \bar{u}_N \left( F_1^\gamma(Q^2) \gamma_\mu + F_2^\gamma(Q^2) \frac{i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{2M_N} \right) u_N$$

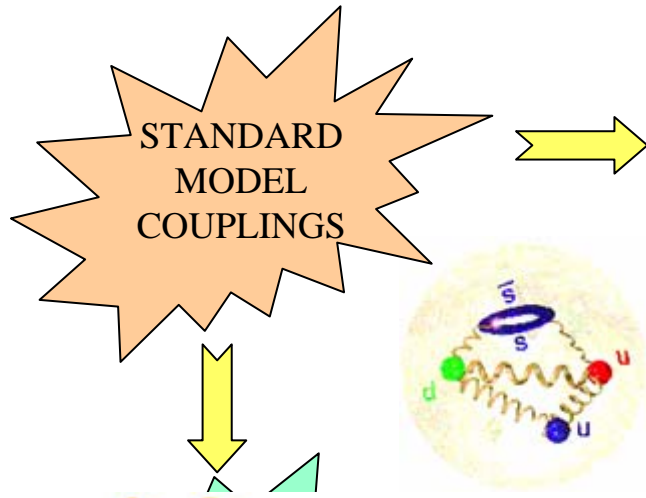
Define the nucleon form factors associated with a given quark current  $q$  as :

$$\langle N | \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q | N \rangle = \bar{u}_N \left( F_1^q \gamma_\mu + F_2^q \frac{i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{2M_N} \right) u_N$$

The Sachs form factors are then :

$$G_E^q = F_1^q - \tau F_2^q \quad G_M^q = F_1^q + F_2^q$$

# Neutral weak form factors → strange form factors



	$q^\gamma$	$q^Z$	$a^Z$
e	-1	$-1 + 4 \sin^2 \theta_W$	+1
u	+2/3	$1 - 8/3 \sin^2 \theta_W$	-1
d	-1/3	$-1 + 4/3 \sin^2 \theta_W$	+1
s	-1/3	$-1 + 4/3 \sin^2 \theta_W$	+1



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A precision measurement of the Weak Mixing Angle  
in Møller Scattering

Flavor decomposition of nucleon E/M  
form factors:

$$\langle p | J_\mu^\gamma | p \rangle: \quad G_{E,M}^{\gamma,p} = \frac{2}{3} G_{E,M}^{u,p} - \frac{1}{3} G_{E,M}^{d,p} - \frac{1}{3} G_{E,M}^{s,p}$$

$$\langle n | J_\mu^\gamma | n \rangle: \quad G_{E,M}^{\gamma,n} = \frac{2}{3} G_{E,M}^{u,n} - \frac{1}{3} G_{E,M}^{d,n} - \frac{1}{3} G_{E,M}^{s,n}$$

$$\langle p | J_\mu^Z | p \rangle: \quad G_{E,M}^{Z,p} = \left(1 - \frac{8}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W\right) G_{E,M}^{u,p} + \left(-1 + \frac{4}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W\right) G_{E,M}^{d,p} + \left(-1 + \frac{4}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W\right) G_{E,M}^{s,p}$$

Invoke proton/neutron charge symmetry  $\rightarrow$  3 equations, 3 unknowns

$$\left( G_{E,M}^{\gamma,p}, G_{E,M}^{\gamma,n}, G_{E,M}^{Z,p} \right) \Leftrightarrow \left( G_{E,M}^u, G_{E,M}^d, G_{E,M}^s \right)$$

## Validity of charge symmetry breaking assumption

$$u \leftrightarrow d$$

$$G_{E,M}^{u,p} = G_{E,M}^{d,n}$$

$$G_{E,M}^{d,p} = G_{E,M}^{u,n}$$

$$G_{E,M}^{s,p} = G_{E,M}^{s,n}$$

Size of charge symmetry breaking effects in some n,p observables:

- n - p mass difference  $\rightarrow (m_n - m_p)/m_n \sim 0.14\%$
- polarized elastic scattering  $\vec{n} + p, \vec{p} + n$   $\Delta A = A_n - A_p = (33 \pm 6) \times 10^{-4}$   
Vigdor et al, PRC 46, 410 (1992)
- Forward backward asymmetry  $n + p \rightarrow d + \pi^0$   $A_{fb} \sim (17 \pm 10) \times 10^{-4}$   
Oppen et al., nucl-ex 0306027 (2003)

→ For vector form factors theoretical CSB estimates indicate  $< 1\%$  violations (unobservable with currently anticipated uncertainties)

(Miller PRC 57, 1492 (1998) Lewis and Mubed, PRD 59, 073002(1999))

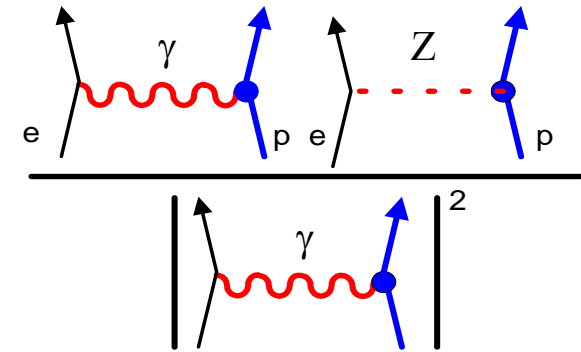
# Parity Violating Electron Scattering - Probe of Neutral Weak Form Factors

polarized electrons, unpolarized target

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$$\begin{aligned} &\rightarrow G_E^s \\ &\rightarrow G_M^s \\ &\rightarrow G_A^e \end{aligned}$$



Strange electric and magnetic  
form factors,  
+ axial form factor

At a given  $Q^2$  decomposition of  $G_E^s$ ,  $G_M^s$ ,  $G_A^e$   
Requires 3 measurements for full decomposition:

Forward angle  $\vec{e} + p$  (elastic)  
Backward angle  $\vec{e} + p$  (elastic)  
Backward angle  $\vec{e} + d$  (quasi-elastic)