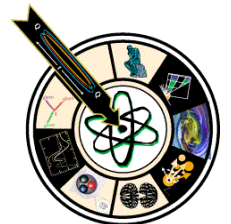


Two-photon exchange in elastic e scattering

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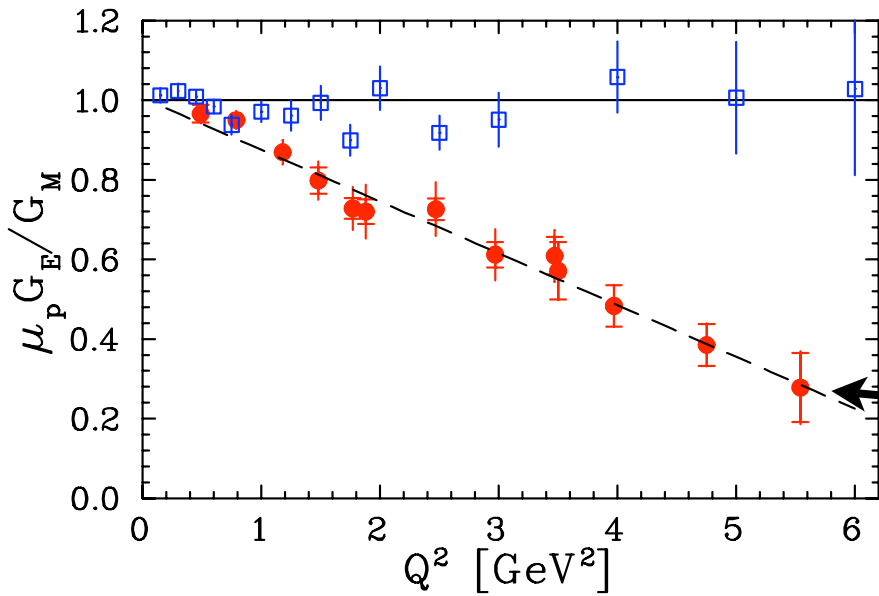
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Outline

- Two-photon exchange and nucleon structure
- Extraction of proton G_E/G_M ratio
 - Rosenbluth separation and polarization transfer
- Excited state contributions
 - Δ , $N^*(1/2^+)$, $N^*(1/2^-)$ contributions
- Effect on *neutron* form factors
- Summary

Proton G_E/G_M Ratio



Rosenbluth (Longitudinal-Transverse)
Separation

Polarization Transfer

LT

$$\sigma_R = G_M^2(Q^2) + \frac{\varepsilon}{\tau} G_E^2(Q^2)$$

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

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

PT

$$\frac{G_E}{G_M} = -\sqrt{\frac{\tau(1 + \varepsilon)}{2\varepsilon}} \frac{P_T}{P_L}$$

$P_{T,L}$ polarization of recoil proton

G_E/G_M from slope in ε plot

Two-photon exchange & nucleon structure

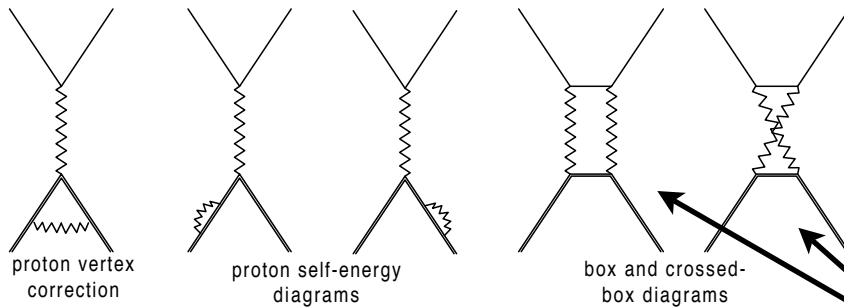
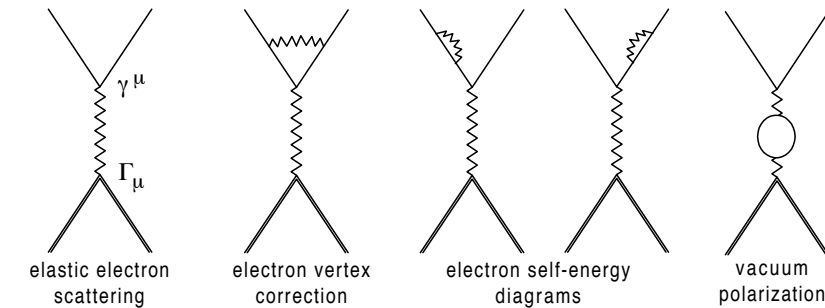
QED Radiative Corrections

cross section modified by 1γ loop effects

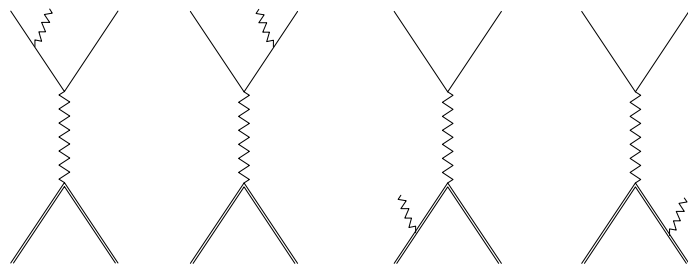
$$d\sigma = d\sigma_0 (1 + \delta)$$



δ contains additional ε dependence

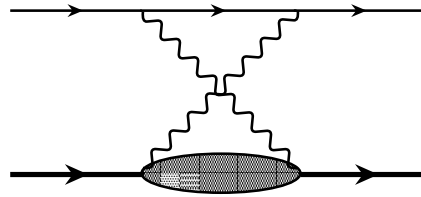
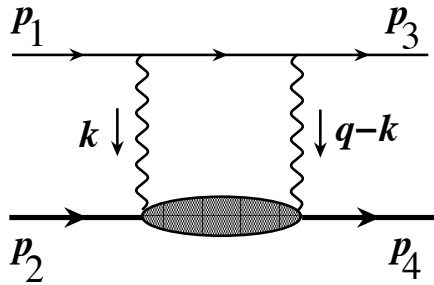


mostly from box (and crossed box) diagram



→ can modify ε dependence in $d\sigma_0$

Box diagram



elastic contribution

$$\mathcal{M}_{\gamma\gamma} = e^4 \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{N(k)}{D(k)}$$

where

$$N(k) = \bar{u}(p_3) \gamma_\mu (\not{p}_1 - \not{k} + m_e) \gamma_\nu u(p_1) \\ \times \bar{u}(p_4) \Gamma^\mu(q - k) (\not{p}_2 + \not{k} + M) \Gamma^\nu(k) u(p_2)$$

and

$$D(k) = (k^2 - \lambda^2) ((k - q)^2 - \lambda^2) \\ \times ((p_1 - k)^2 - m^2) ((p_2 + k)^2 - M^2)$$

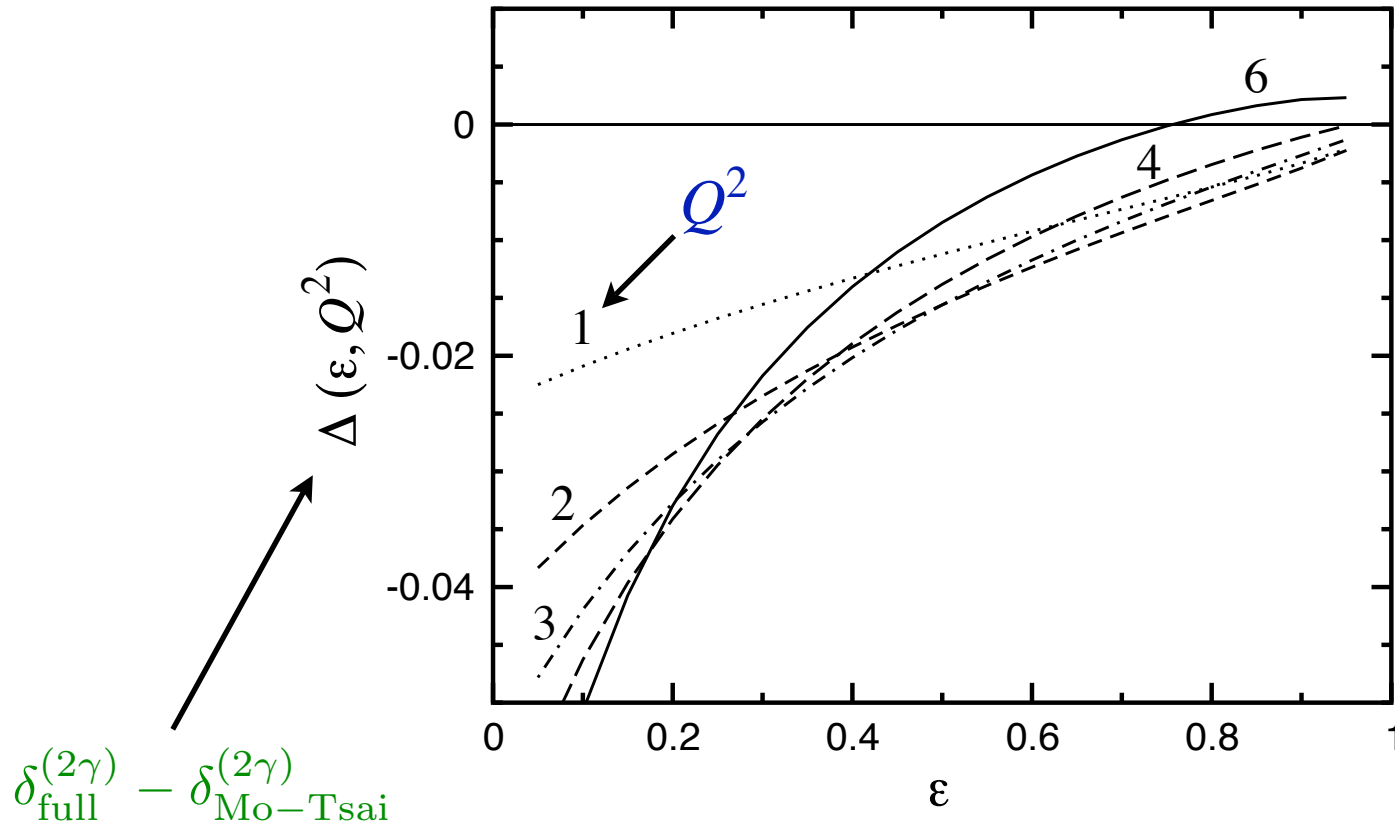
with λ an IR regulator, and e.m. current is

$$\Gamma^\mu(q) = \gamma^\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2M} F_2(q^2)$$

Various approximations to $\mathcal{M}_{\gamma\gamma}$ used

- Mo-Tsai: soft γ approximation
 - integrand most singular when $k = 0$ and $k = q$
 - replace γ propagator which is not at pole by $1/q^2$
 - approximate numerator $N(k) \approx N(0)$
 - neglect all structure effects
- Maximon-Tjon: improved loop calculation
 - exact treatment of propagators
 - still evaluate $N(k)$ at $k = 0$
 - first study of form factor effects
 - additional ε dependence
- Blunden-WM-Tjon: exact loop calculation
 - no approximation in $N(k)$ or $D(k)$
 - include form factors

Two-photon correction



$$\delta^{(2\gamma)} \rightarrow \frac{2\text{Re}\{\mathcal{M}_0^\dagger \mathcal{M}_{\gamma\gamma}\}}{|\mathcal{M}_0|^2}$$

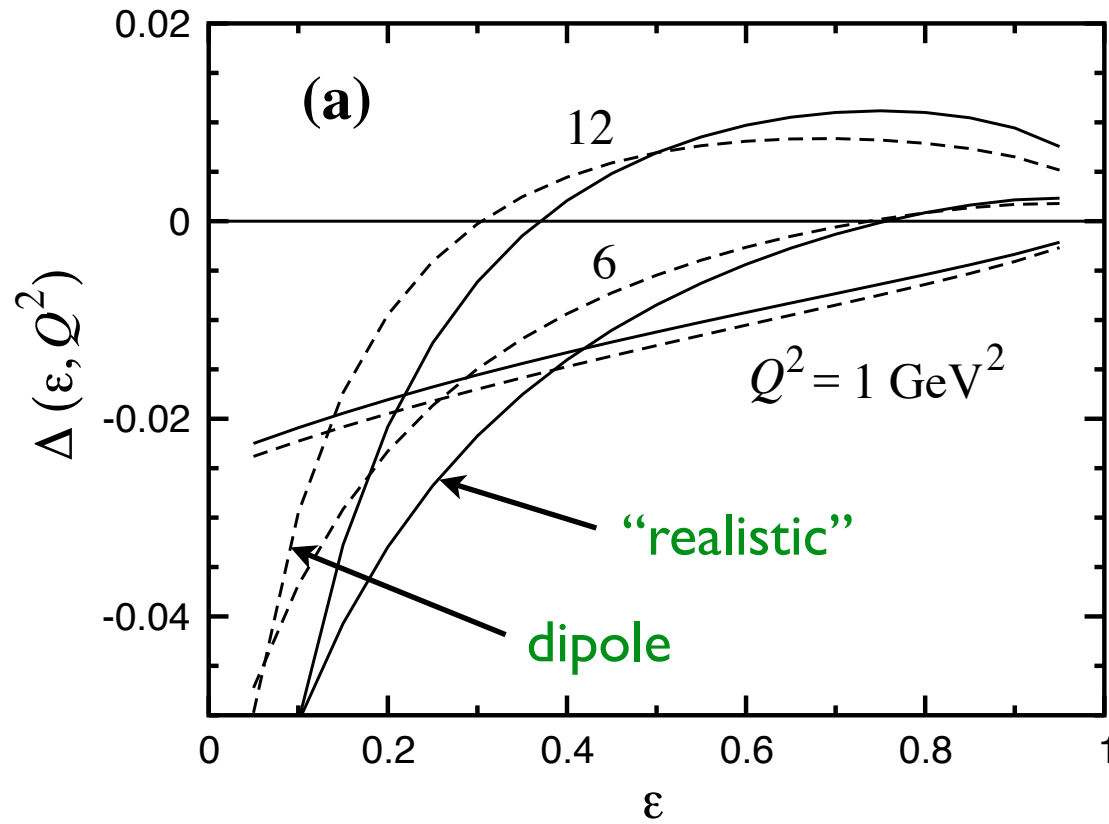
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➡ few % magnitude

➡ positive slope

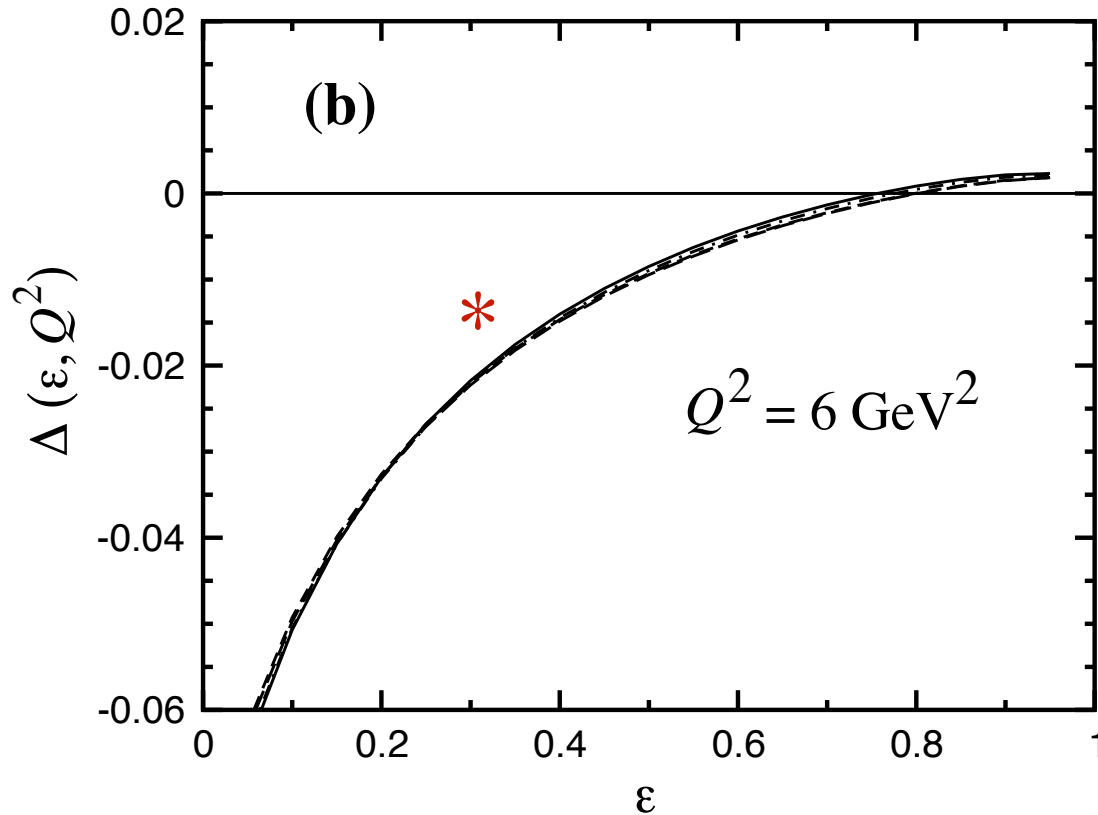
➡ non-linearity in ϵ

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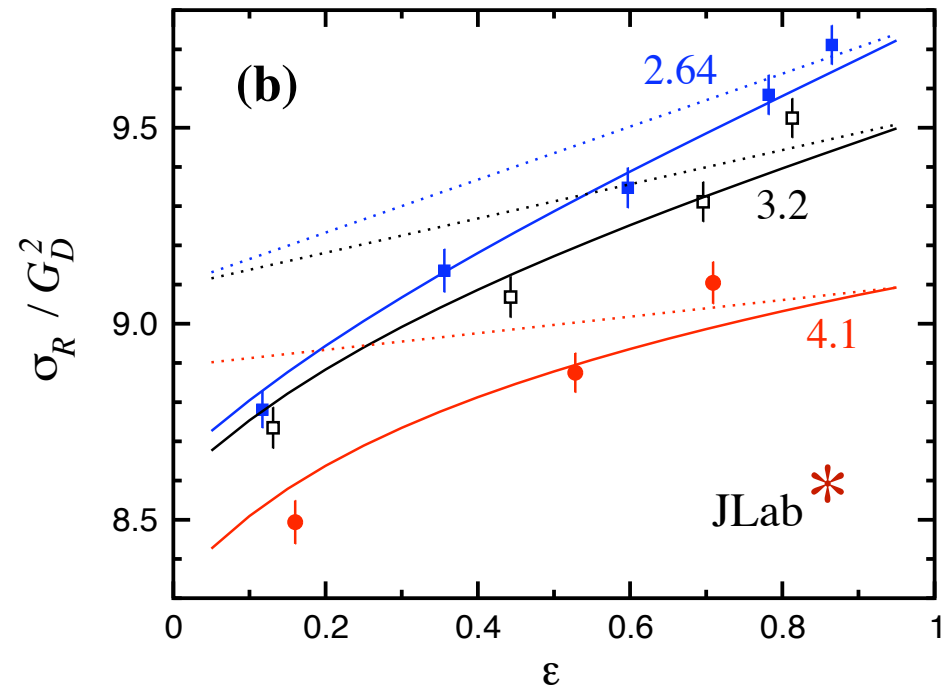
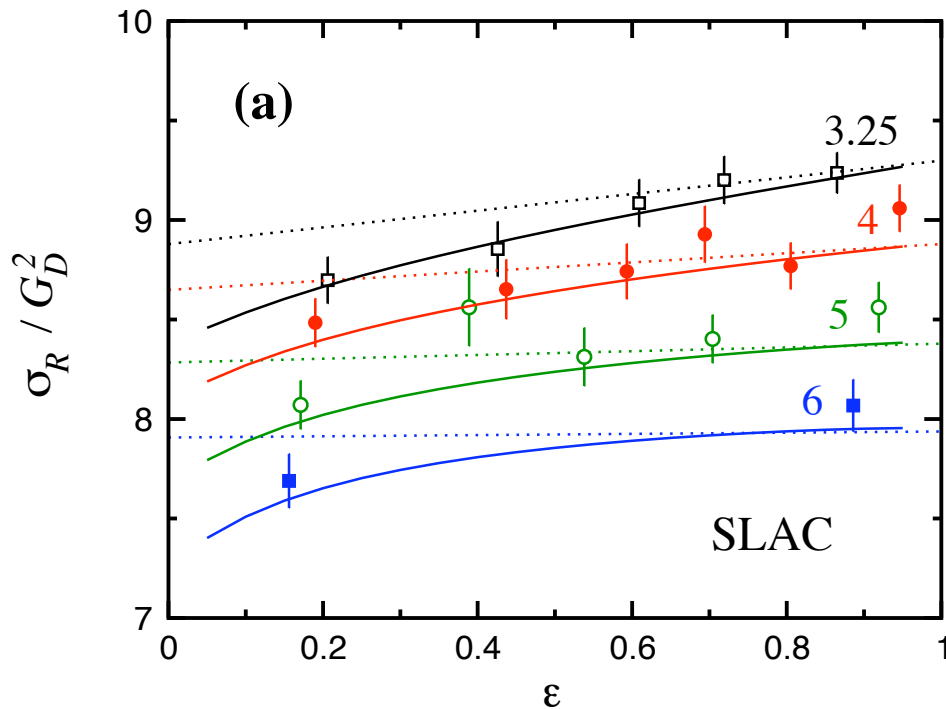


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* different
form factors

{ *Mergell, Meissner, Drechsel (1996)*
Brash et al. (2002)
Arrington LT G_E^p fit (2004)
Arrington PT G_E^p fit (2004)

Effect on cross section

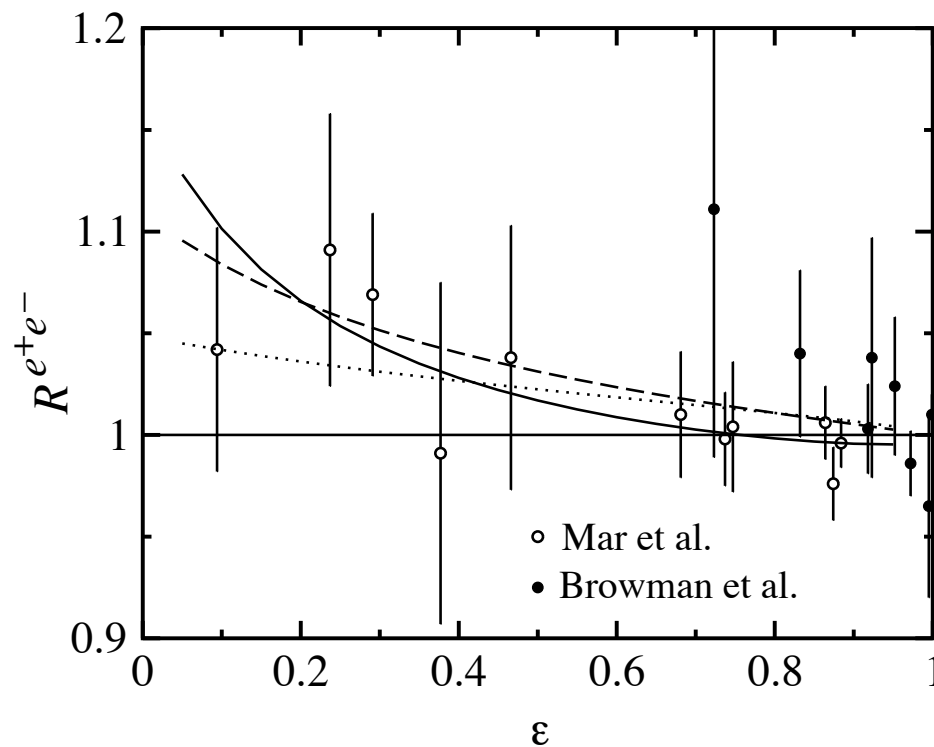


- Born cross section with PT form factors
- including TPE effects

* Super-Rosenbluth
*Qattan et al.,
PRL 94, 142301 (2005)*

e^+ / e^- comparison

- 1γ exchange changes sign under $e^+ \leftrightarrow e^-$
- 2γ exchange invariant under $e^+ \leftrightarrow e^-$
- ratio of e^+p / e^-p elastic cross sections sensitive to $\Delta(\varepsilon, Q^2)$



$$R^{e^+e^-} = \frac{d\sigma^{e^+}}{d\sigma^{e^-}}$$

$$\approx 1 - 2\Delta$$

..... $Q^2 = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

- - - $Q^2 = 3 \text{ GeV}^2$

— $Q^2 = 6 \text{ GeV}^2$

➔ simultaneous e^-p/e^+p measurement
planned in Hall B (to $Q^2 \sim 1 \text{ GeV}^2$)

Generalized form factors

■ Generalized electromagnetic current

$$\Gamma^\mu = \tilde{F}_1 \gamma^\mu + \tilde{F}_2 \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2M} + \tilde{F}_3 \frac{\gamma \cdot K P^\mu}{M^2} \quad *$$

$$K = (p_1 + p_3)/2, \quad P = (p_2 + p_4)/2$$

Goldberger et al. (1957)

Guichon, Vanderhaeghen (2003)

Chen et al. (2004)

■ \tilde{F}_i are complex functions of Q^2 and ε

■ In 1γ exchange limit $\tilde{F}_{1,2}(Q^2, \varepsilon) \rightarrow F_{1,2}(Q^2)$

$$\tilde{F}_3(Q^2, \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$$

* Note: decomposition not unique

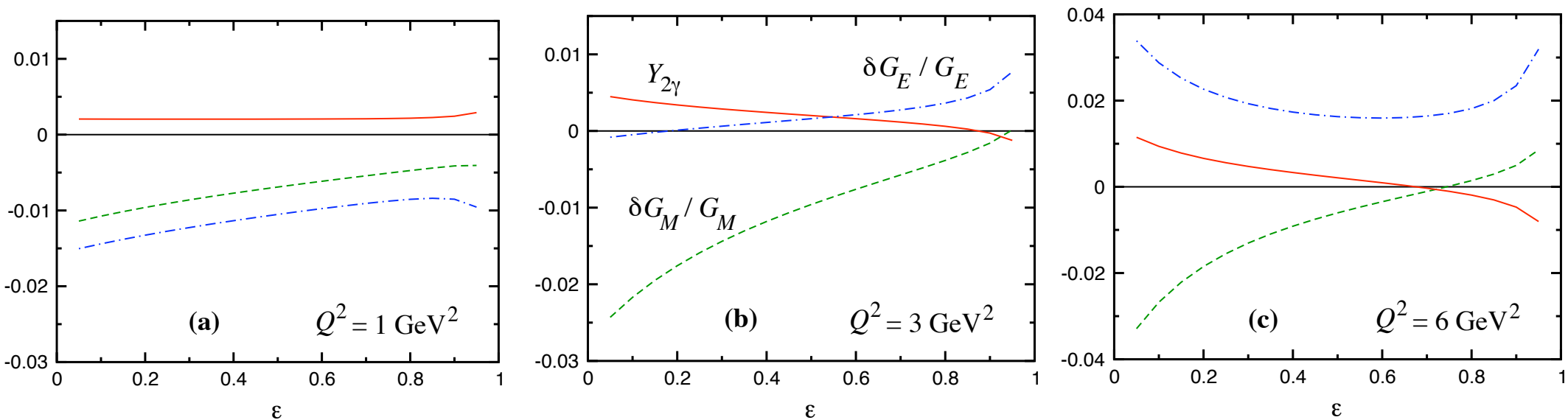
Generalized form factors

Generalized (complex) Sachs form factors

$$\tilde{G}_E = G_E + \delta G_E, \quad \tilde{G}_M = G_M + \delta G_M, \quad Y_{2\gamma} = \tilde{\nu} \frac{\tilde{F}_3}{G_M}$$

$K \cdot P / M^2 = \sqrt{\tau(1+\tau)(1+\varepsilon)/(1-\varepsilon)}$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_R = G_M^2 + \frac{\varepsilon}{\tau} G_E^2 + 2G_M^2 \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\delta G_M}{G_M} + Y_{2\gamma} \right\} + \frac{2\varepsilon}{\tau} G_E^2 \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\delta G_E}{G_E} + \frac{G_M}{G_E} Y_{2\gamma} \right\}$$



\Rightarrow cannot assume all TPE effects reside in $Y_{2\gamma}$

Extraction of
proton G_E/G_M ratio

G_E^p / G_M^p ratio

- estimate effect of TPE on ε dependence
- approximate correction by linear function of ε

$$1 + \Delta \approx a + b\varepsilon$$

→ reduced cross section is then

$$\sigma_R \approx a G_M^2 \left[1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{\mu^2 \tau} (R^2(1 + \varepsilon b/a) + \mu^2 \tau b/a) \right]$$

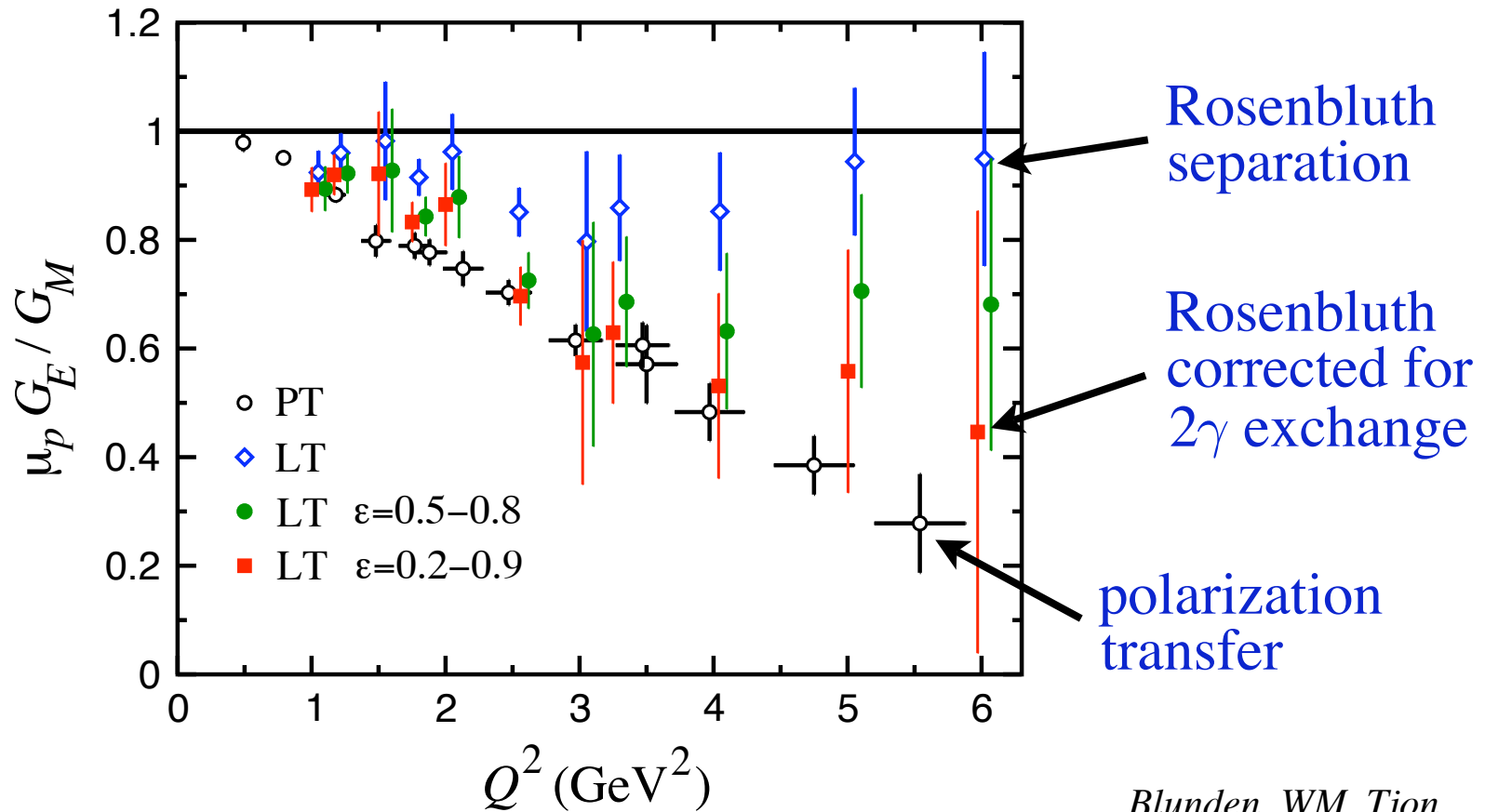
where “true” ratio is

$$R^2 = \frac{\tilde{R}^2 - \mu^2 \tau b/a}{1 + \bar{\varepsilon} b/a}$$

“effective” ratio
contaminated by TPE

average value of ε
over range fitted

G_E^p / G_M^p ratio



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➡ resolves much of the form factor discrepancy

- how does TPE affect polarization transfer ratio?

$$\rightarrow \tilde{R} = R \left(\frac{1 + \Delta_T}{1 + \Delta_L} \right)$$

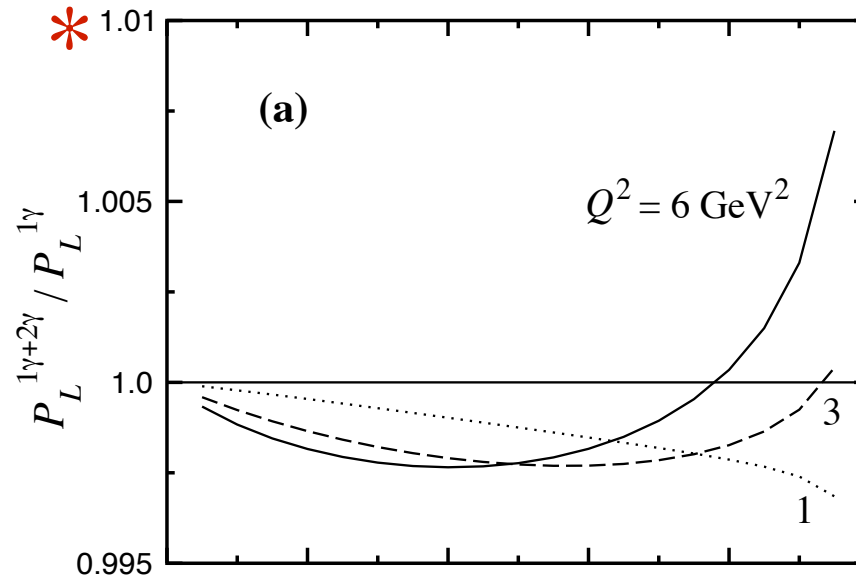
where $\Delta_{L,T} = \delta_{L,T}^{\text{full}} - \delta_{\text{IR}}^{\text{Mo-Tsai}}$ is finite part of 2γ contribution relative to IR part of Mo-Tsai

- experimentally measure ratio of polarized to unpolarized cross sections

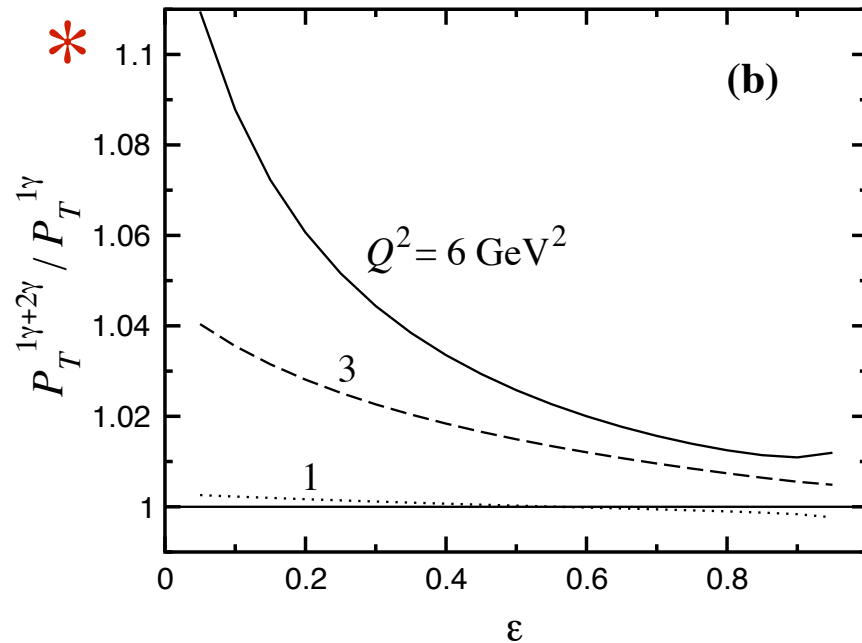
$$\rightarrow \frac{P_{L,T}^{1\gamma+2\gamma}}{P_{L,T}^{1\gamma}} = \frac{1 + \Delta_{L,T}}{1 + \Delta}$$

Longitudinal & transverse polarizations

* Note scales!

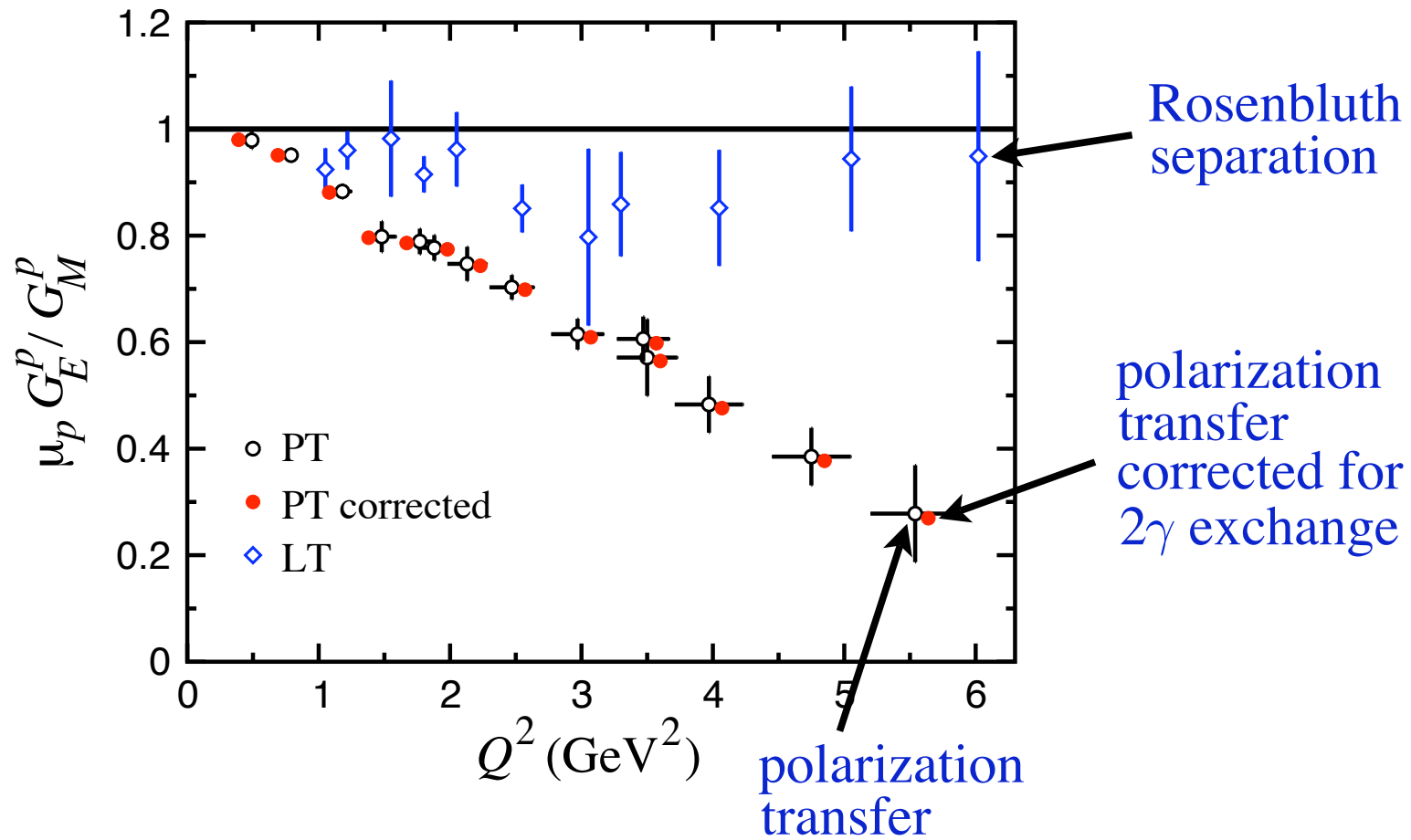


→ small effect on P_L



→ large effect on P_T

G_E^p / G_M^p ratio



➔ large Q^2 data typically at large ε

➔ $< 3\%$ suppression at large Q^2

Excited intermediate states

■ Lowest mass excitation is P_{33} Δ resonance

→ relativistic $\gamma^* N \Delta$ vertex

$$\Gamma_{\gamma \Delta \rightarrow N}^{\nu\alpha}(p, q) \equiv iV_{\Delta in}^{\nu\alpha}(p, q) = i \frac{eF_{\Delta}(q^2)}{2M_{\Delta}^2} \left\{ g_1 [g^{\nu\alpha} \not{p} \not{q} - p^{\nu} \gamma^{\alpha} \not{q} - \gamma^{\nu} \gamma^{\alpha} p \cdot q + \gamma^{\nu} \not{p} q^{\alpha}] \right. \\ \left. + g_2 [p^{\nu} q^{\alpha} - g^{\nu\alpha} p \cdot q] + (g_3/M_{\Delta}) [q^2 (p^{\nu} \gamma^{\alpha} - g^{\nu\alpha} \not{p}) + q^{\nu} (q^{\alpha} \not{p} - \gamma^{\alpha} p \cdot q)] \right\} \gamma_5 T_3$$

form factor $\frac{\Lambda_{\Delta}^4}{(\Lambda_{\Delta}^2 - q^2)^2}$

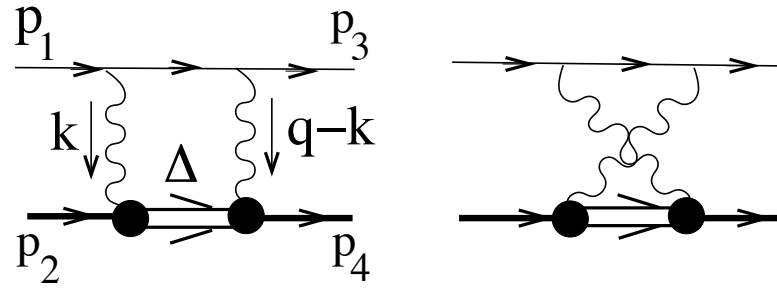
→ coupling constants

g_1 magnetic → 7

$g_2 - g_1$ electric → 9

g_3 Coulomb → -2 ... 0

■ Two-photon exchange amplitude with Δ intermediate state



$$\mathcal{M}_{\Delta}^{\gamma\gamma} = -e^4 \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{N_{box}^{\Delta}(k)}{D_{box}^{\Delta}(k)} - e^4 \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{N_{x-box}^{\Delta}(k)}{D_{x-box}^{\Delta}(k)}$$

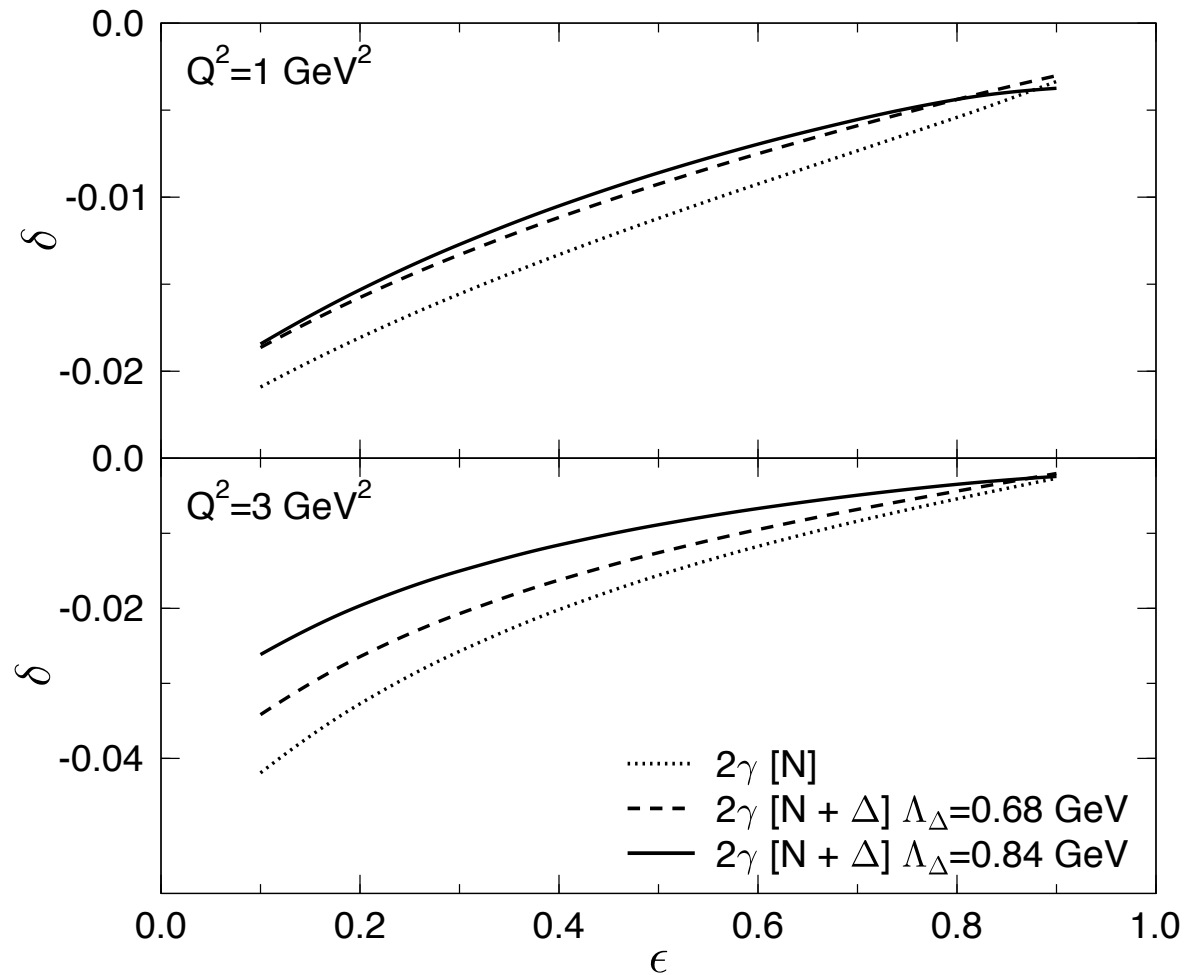
numerators

$$N_{box}^{\Delta}(k) = \bar{U}(p_4) V_{\Delta in}^{\mu\alpha}(p_2 + k, q - k) [\not{p}_2 + \not{k} + M_{\Delta}] \mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta}^{3/2}(p_2 + k) V_{\Delta out}^{\beta\nu}(p_2 + k, k) U(p_2) \\ \times \bar{u}(p_3) \gamma_{\mu} [\not{p}_1 - \not{k} + m_e] \gamma_{\nu} u(p_1)$$

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spin-3/2 projection operator

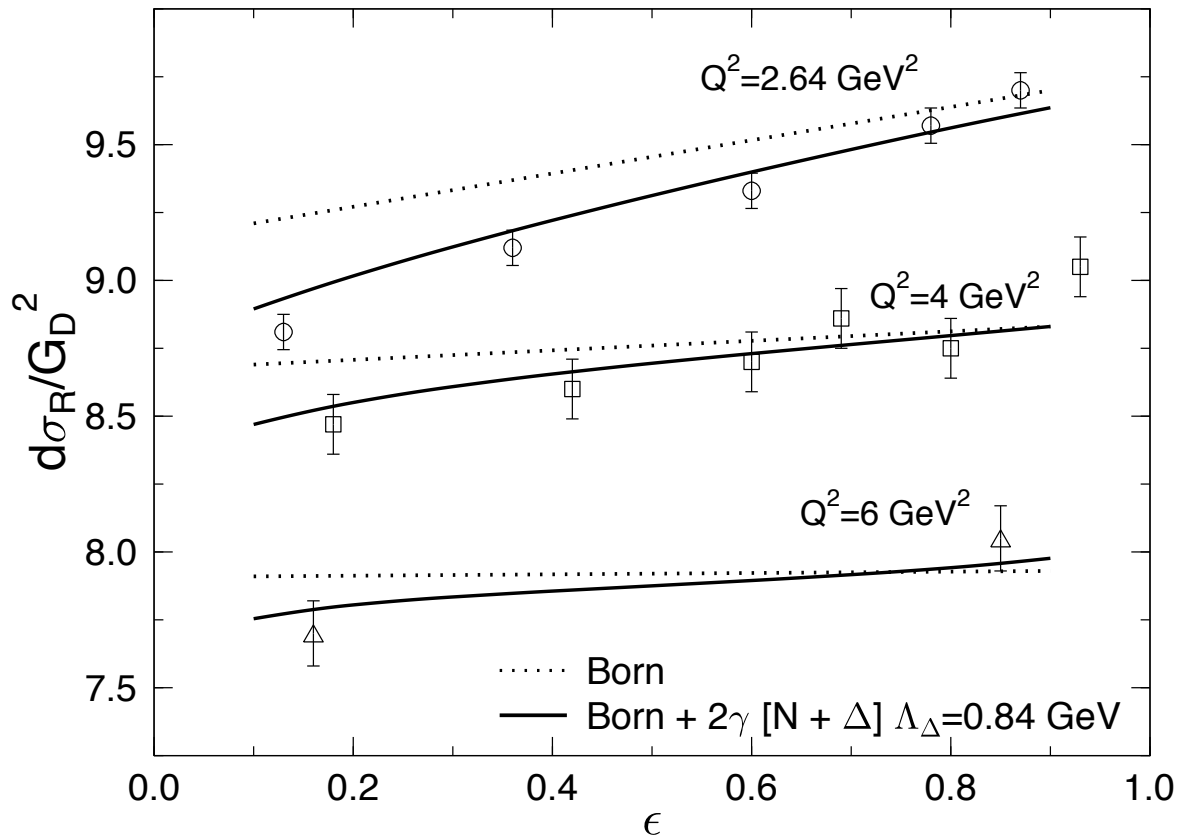
$$\mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta}^{3/2}(p) = g_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{3} \gamma_{\alpha} \gamma_{\beta} - \frac{1}{3p^2} (\not{p} \gamma_{\alpha} p_{\beta} + p_{\alpha} \gamma_{\beta} \not{p})$$



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→ Δ has opposite slope to N

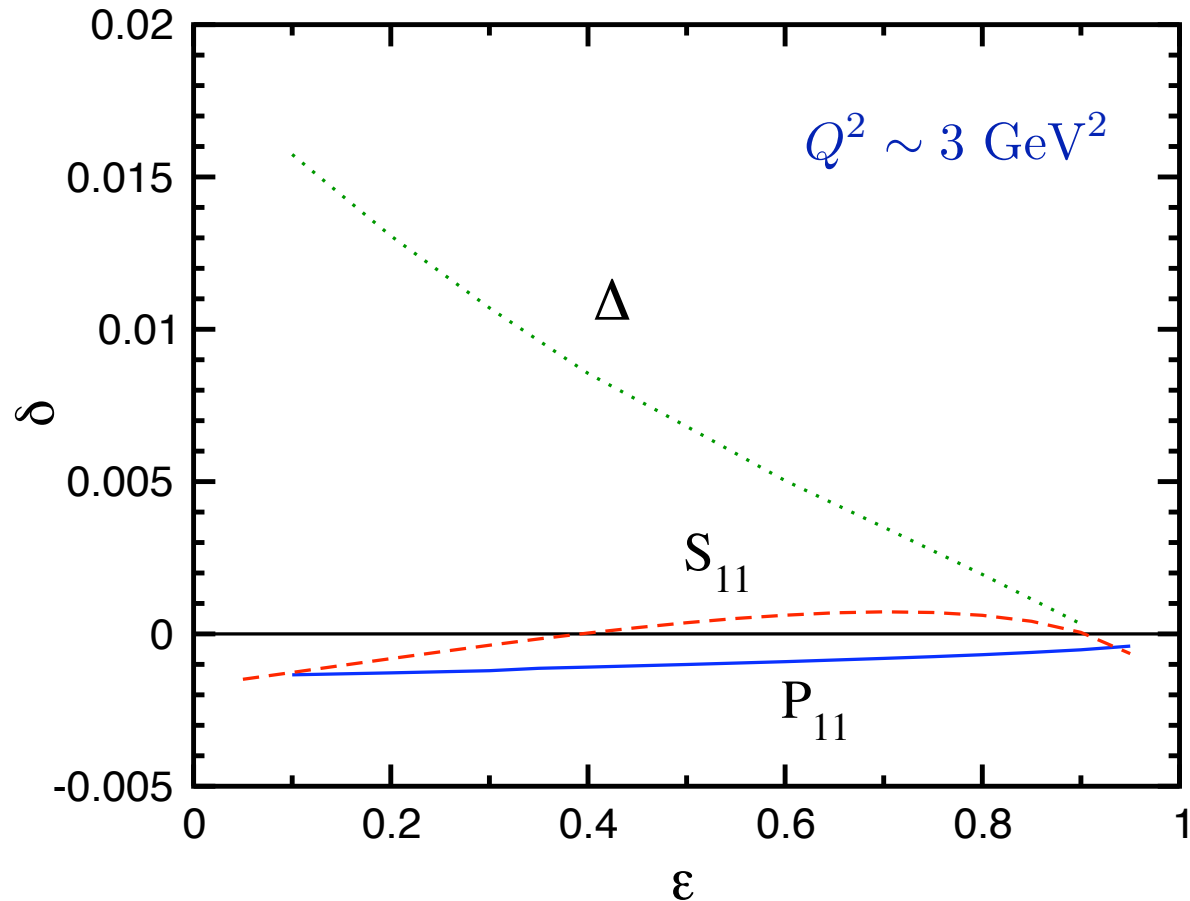
→ cancels some of TPE correction from N



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- ➔ weaker ϵ dependence than with N alone
- ➔ better fit to JLab data!

$$J^P = \frac{1}{2}^+, \frac{1}{2}^- \quad \text{excited } N^* \text{ states}$$

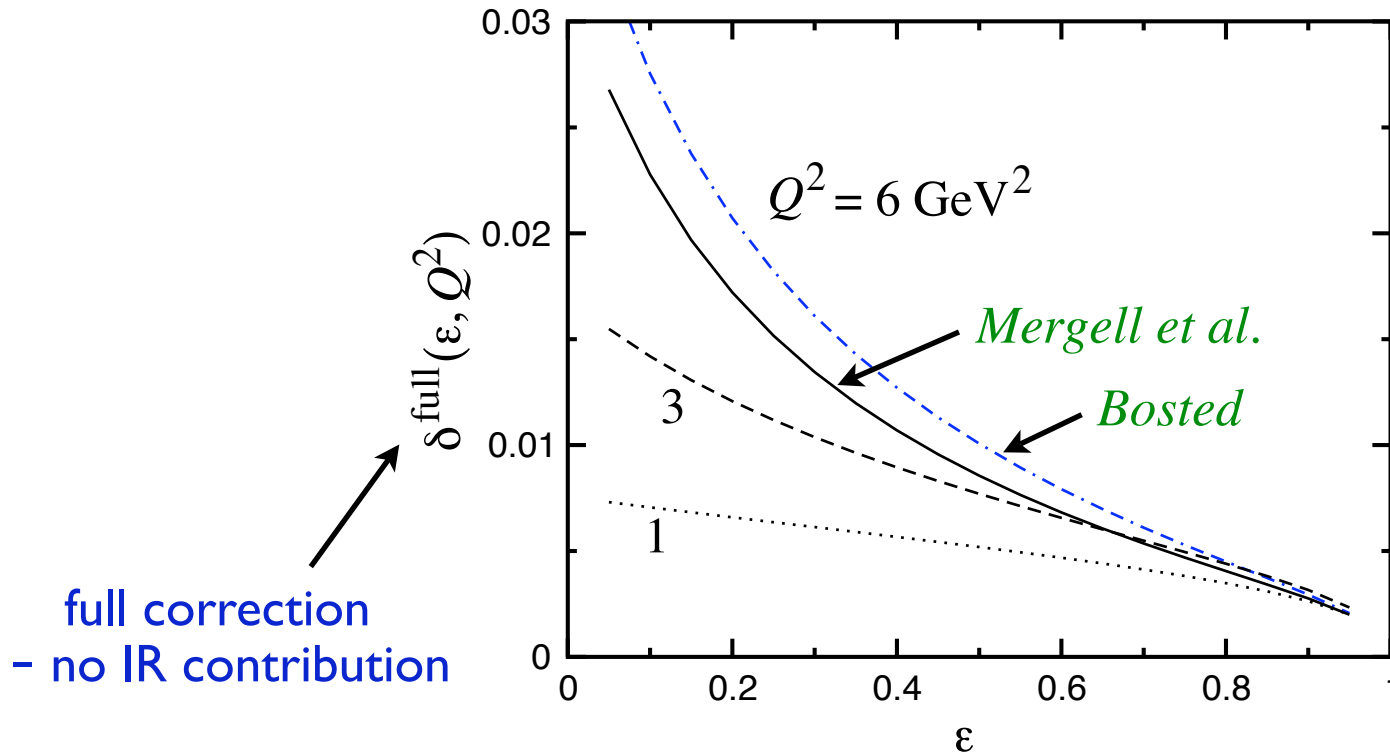


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- ➔ higher mass resonance contributions small
- ➔ enhance nucleon elastic contribution

Effect on neutron form factors

Neutron correction

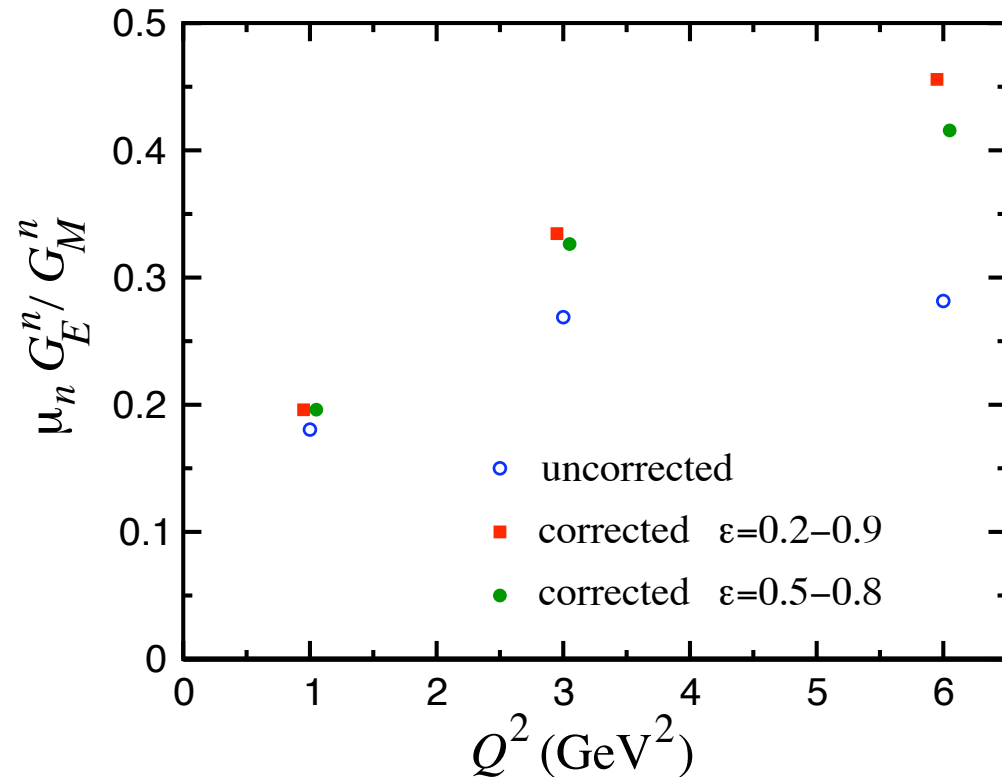


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→ since G_E^n is small, effect may be relatively large

→ sign opposite to proton (since $\kappa_n < 0$)

Effect on neutron LT form factors

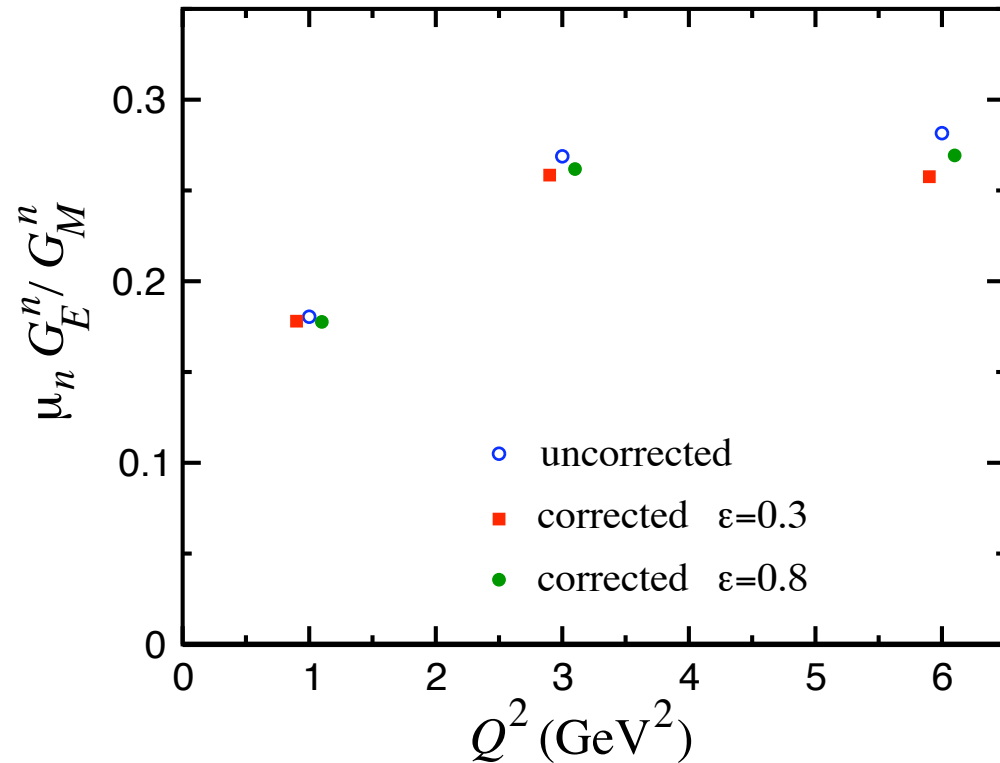


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➔ large effect at high Q^2 for LT-separation method

➔ LT method unreliable for neutron

Effect on neutron PT form factors



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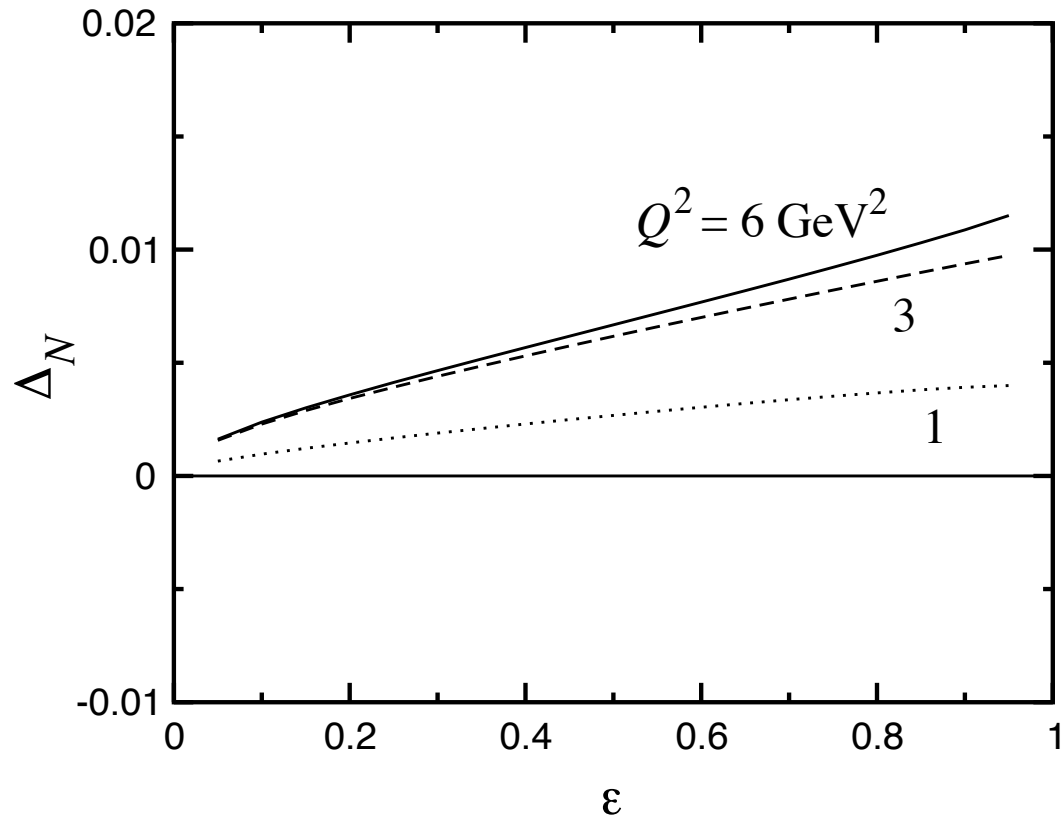
- small correction for PT
- 4% (3%) suppression at $\epsilon = 0.3$ (0.8) for $Q^2 = 3$ GeV²
- 10% (5%) suppression at $\epsilon = 0.3$ (0.8) for $Q^2 = 6$ GeV²

Summary

- First explicit calculation of TPE taking into account nucleon structure
- Nucleon elastic intermediate states resolves most of LT/PT G_E^p/G_M^p discrepancy
- Δ excited state opposite sign cf. nucleon, but smaller $P_{11}(1440)$ and $S_{11}(1535)$ contributions small
- Effect on neutron form factors large for LT method, small for PT method

The End

Normal polarization



Normal polarization

