F₁, F₂ Models for electron scattering

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- ➤ Needed for radiative correction calculations.
- Needed to get "dilution factor" in experiments using NH_3 or ND_3 targets to measure g_1 and g_2
- ➤ Needed to predict PV asymmetry in ep inelastic scattering (background to Moller scattering test of Standard Model).

Nucleon elastic scattering

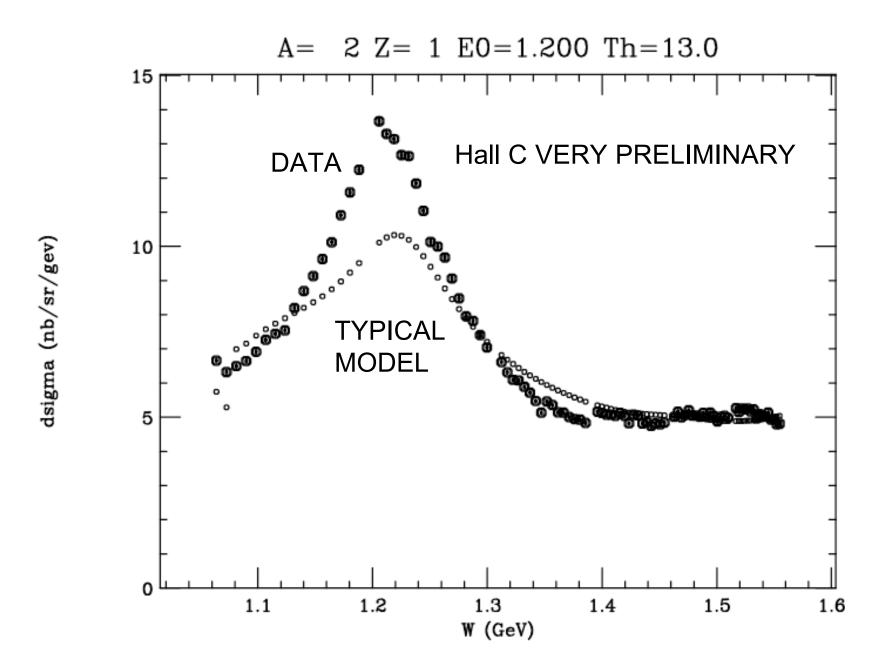
- ➤ Good fits to ep elastic now exist (Kelly, Arrington, Bosted) up to Q²=5 GeV².
- ➤ Same fits also give e-n elastic: pretty accurately up to Q²=3 GeV². Will be improved in near future with more data.
- ightharpoonup Main uncertainty is in G_{EP} . For most applications, doesn't matter if use Rosenbluth results or polarization transfer results since G_{EP} small part of cross section at high Q^2 .

Inelastic scattering on proton

- ➤ The recent (March 2006) fit of Eric Chirsty works very well for 0<Q²<5 GeV² and W<3 GeV.</p>
- \triangleright Fit is to both F_2 and R (or F_L and F_1)
- Fit used photoproduction data to ensure good behavior at very low Q²
- ➤ Results for F₂ similar (at 20% level) to previous fits (SLAC Bodek/Atwood, SLAC Rock, E665, F2 NMC for W>2 GeV).

- ➤ At low Q² and W<2 GeV (resonance region), most existing fits do NOT reproduce data (width of resonances is too wide).
- ➤ Recall $dW^2 = q (p_f)^2$, so Fermi smearing on deuteron is less than typical resonance width (sigma) of 40 MeV. At W=1.5 GeV, dW ranges from 10 to 30 MeV as Q^2 increases from 0.1 to 1 GeV².

- Fits that did not specifically include Fermi smearing effect and use data with Q²>1 GeV² will have washed-out resonance structure at low Q².
- ➤ This can be seen on next slide for the lowest Q² (about 0.1 GeV²) preliminary radiated cross section data from the recent Jlab January 2005 experiment.

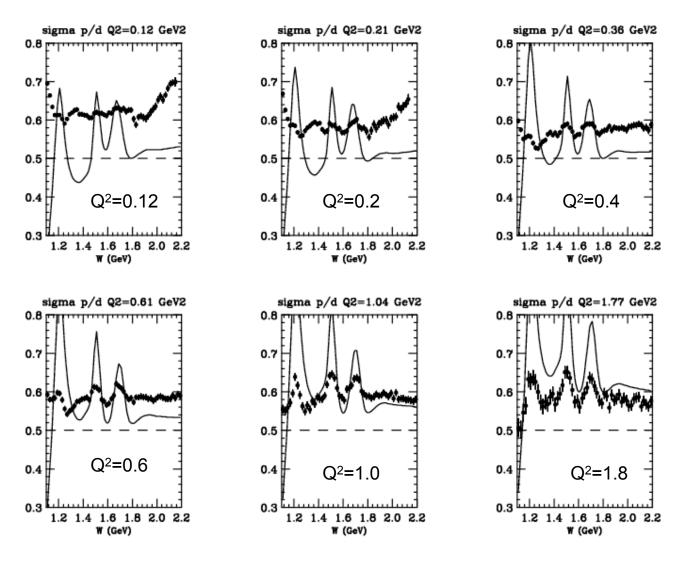


- ➤ To study problem further, used large sample (about 10 billion scattered electrons) of data from CLAS Eg1b experiment using CLAS in Hall B at Jlab.
- Targets filled with ND_3 or NH_3 (plus some liquid helium) were alternated frequently (so acceptance cancels) and electrons were detected $10<\theta<40$ degrees for beam energies 1.7, 2.5, 4.2, 5.7 GeV.

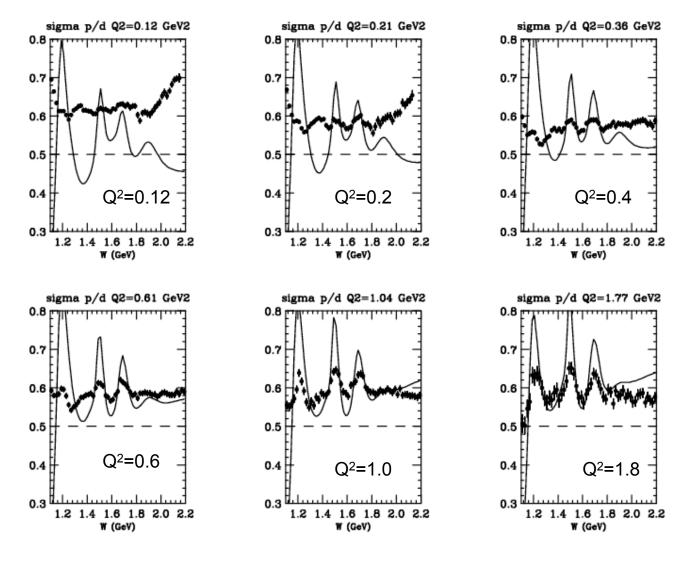
- ➤ Discarded 5.7 GeV data because experimental W resolution >30 MeV.
- ➤ Discarded Q²<0.1 GeV² data due to large (>10%) tails from ¹⁵N elastic.
- ➤ Discarded Q²>1.5 GeV² data (Fermi smearing in deuteron >30 MeV).
- ➤ Normalized data to give expected p/d ratio in DIS region (W>2, Q²>1 GeV²)
- >Extraced p/d ratios in resonance region

- ➤ Radiative corrections not applied (although checked small in kinematic region selected, since ND₃ and NH₃ targets very similar).
- ➤ Fermi smearing effects not included (in particular for the ¹⁵N), but not large in region studied.
- ➤ Possible differences in pair-symmetric background not included
- > Results are VERY PRELIMINARY.

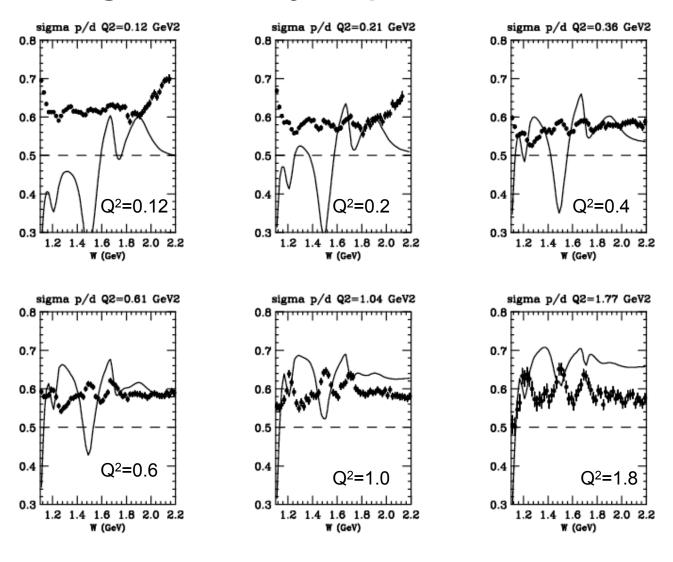
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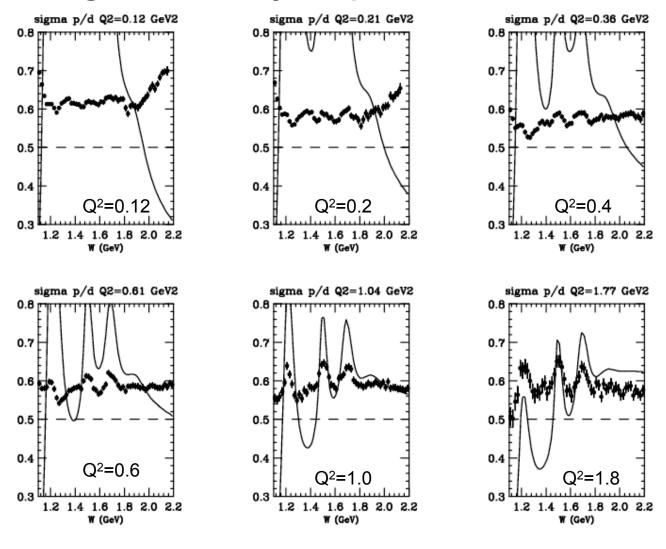
Inelastic proton/deuteron ratio in Resonance Region Curves using Christy for p and SLAC Bodek/Attwood for d



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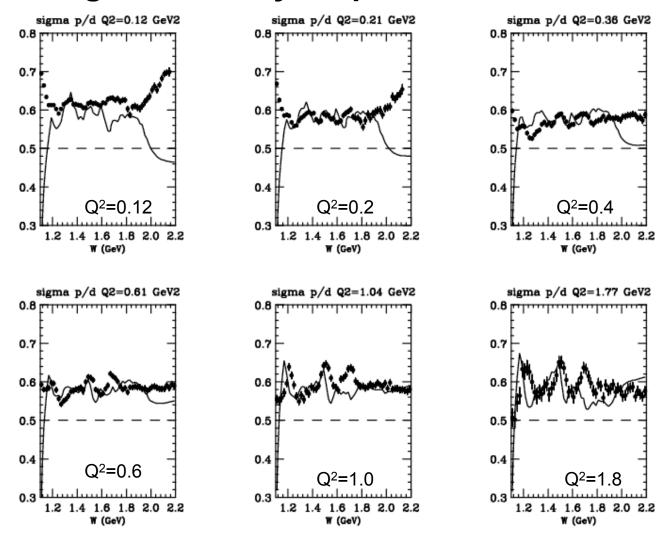


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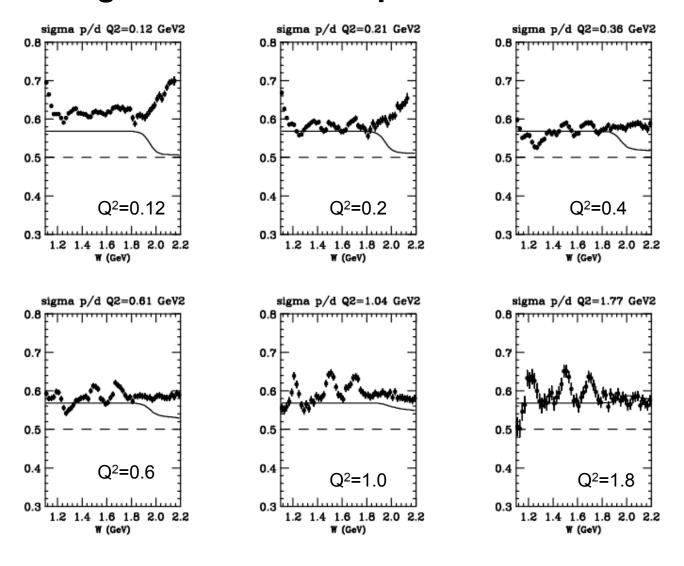
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Curves using Eric Christy for p and E665 fit for d



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Curves using E665 fit for both p and d



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- ➤ Looks like what works best among available models is E665 fit (A. V. Kotwal, January 1994), hich makes assumption n=0.76p in the resonance region.
- ➤ Next step: add Fermi smearing for deuteron.
- ➤ Next step: study best transition to DIS region (W>2 GeV): clearly n/p=(1-0.8x) inadequate: need to consider using (1-0.8xi) and also make shadowing corrections.

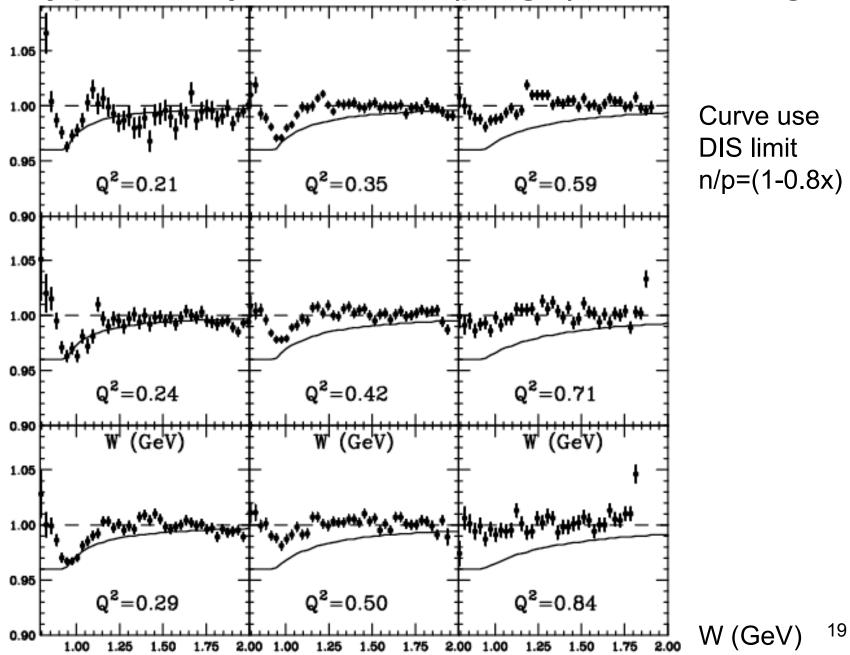
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Very preliminary ratios 15N/C (per gm) from CLAS Eg1b



CONCLUSIONS

- ➤ Neutron / Proton ratio almost constant in the nucleon resonance region.
- ➤ New data from CLAS and Hall C will soon pin down vector current for proton, neutron, carbon, 15N, and heavier targets from quasi-elastic region up to W-3 GeV and for 0.05<Q2<5 GeV2
- ➤ Better emipirical fits needed for modeling radiative corrections, neutrino interactions, and many other applications.