

Update on Neutron Magnetic Form Factor (G_M^n) Measurement at High Q^2 with CLAS12

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The Magnetic Form Factor of the Neutron (G_M^n)

- The elastic, electromagnetic form factors (G_M^n , G_E^n , G_M^p , and G_E^p) are fundamental quantities related to the distribution of charge and magnetization/currents in the neutron.
- Needed to extract the distribution of quarks in the neutron.
- Elastic form factors provide key constraints on theory and the structure of hadrons.
- Broad, PAC-approved effort to measure all four form factors.
- The cross section is

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\sigma_{Mott}}{\epsilon(1 + \tau)} (\epsilon G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2) \quad \text{where} \quad \sigma_{Mott} = \frac{\alpha^2 E' \cos^2(\frac{\theta_e}{2})}{4E^3 \sin^4(\frac{\theta_e}{2})}$$

and κ is the anomalous magnetic moment, E (E') is the incoming (outgoing) electron energy, θ is the scattered electron angle and $\tau = Q^2/4M^2$.

Datasets

Exp. Detail	In-bending	Out-bending	In-bending
Run Period	Spring, 2019	Fall, 2019	Spring, 2020
Run Range	6156-6603	11093-11300	11323-11571
Beam	10.6 10.2	10.4	10.4
Number of Runs	117 106	97	171
Target	unpolarized LD ₂	unpolarized LD ₂	unpolarized LD ₂
Current	35-50 nA	40 nA	35-50 nA
Torus Field	-1	+1/+1.008	-1
Solenoid Field	-1	-1	-1

- Each dataset analyzed separately.
- Originally used Pass 1.
- Redoing analysis with Pass 2 data - G_M^n complete, neutron detection efficiency ongoing.

The Ratio Method to Measure G_M^n

The elastic $e - n$ or $e - p$ cross section in terms of the Sachs form factors is

$$R = \frac{\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} (^2\text{H}(e, e'n)p)_{QE}}{\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} (^2\text{H}(e, e'p)n)_{QE}} = a(Q^2) \frac{\sigma_{mott}^n \left(G_E^{n2} + \frac{\tau_n}{\epsilon_n} G_M^{n2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{1+\tau_n} \right)}{\sigma_{mott}^p \left(G_E^{p2} + \frac{\tau_p}{\epsilon_p} G_M^{p2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{1+\tau_p} \right)}$$

Deuteron target
Nuclear correction
Well-known proton cross section.

where

$$\tau_N = \frac{Q^2}{4M_N^2} \quad \epsilon = \left[1 + 2(1 + \tau_N) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right]^{-1} \quad \sigma_{Mott} = \frac{\alpha^2 E' \cos^2 \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right)}{4E^3 \sin^4 \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right)}$$

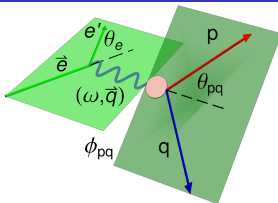
Solving for G_M^n

$$G_M^n = \sqrt{\left[\frac{R}{a(Q^2)} \left(\frac{\sigma_{mott}^p}{\sigma_{mott}^n} \right) \left(\frac{1 + \tau_n}{1 + \tau_p} \right) \left(G_E^{p2} + \frac{\tau_p}{\epsilon_p} G_M^{p2} \right) - G_E^{n2} \right] \frac{\epsilon_n}{\tau_n}}$$

Requires knowledge of other elastic, electromagnetic form factors

Quasi-Elastic Event Selection - 1

Data: Run Group B, Pass 2
 Inbending energies: 10.2, 10.4, 10.6 GeV
 Outbending energies: 10.4 GeV



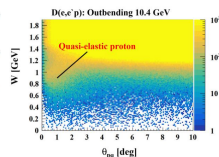
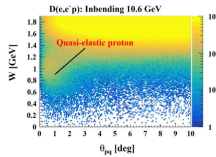
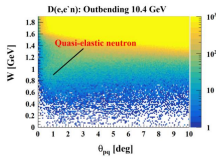
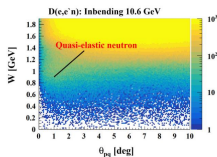
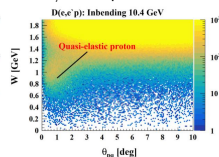
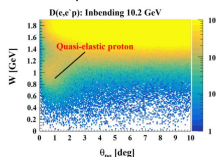
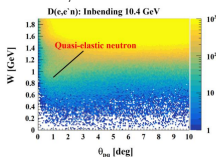
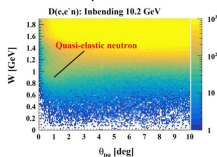
θ_{pq} is the angle the 3-momentum transfer $\Delta \vec{p}$ and the detected nucleon momentum $\vec{p}_N$

$^2\text{H}(e, e'n)$

$^2\text{H}(e, e'p)$

Require FD electron and PCAL/ECAL neutral

Require FD electron and PCAL/ECAL proton



Quasi-Elastic Event Selection - 2

Data: Run Group B, Pass2

Inbending energies: 10.2, 10.4, 10.6 GeV

Outbending energies: 10.4 GeV

Electron beam energy cut*

Calculate beam energy E_{beam}^{angles} using θ_e, θ_N .

Cuts Applied:
 $0.85 \text{ GeV} < W < 1.05 \text{ GeV}$

*S.Stepanyan, CLAS-NOTE
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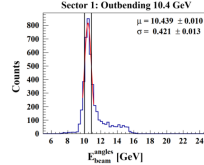
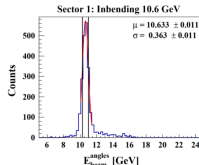
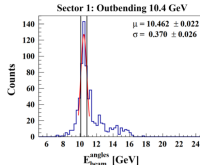
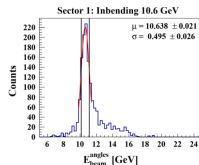
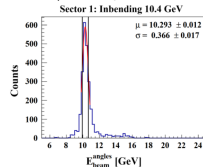
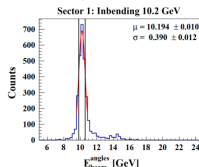
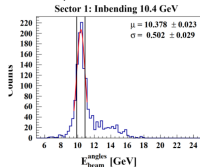
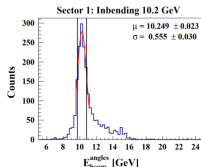
$$E_{beam}^{angles} = M_N \left(\frac{1}{\tan \frac{\theta_e}{2} \tan \theta_N} - 1 \right)$$

${}^2\text{H}(e, e'n)$

${}^2\text{H}(e, e'p)$

Require FD electron and PCAL/ECAL neutral

Require FD electron and PCAL/ECAL proton



Quasi-Elastic Event Selection - 3

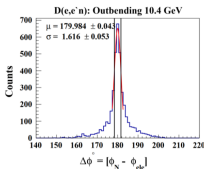
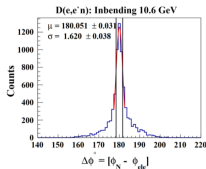
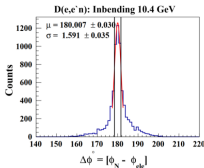
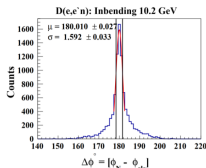
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Cuts Applied:
 $0.85 \text{ GeV} < W < 1.05 \text{ GeV}$
 $1\sigma E_{\text{beam}}^{\text{angles}} \text{ cut}$

$\Delta\phi$ cut
 $\Delta\phi = \phi_N - \phi_e$ where ϕ_N and ϕ_e are the azimuthal angles of the nucleon and electron.

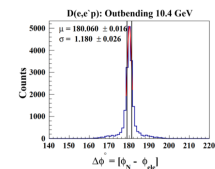
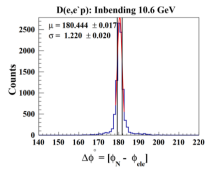
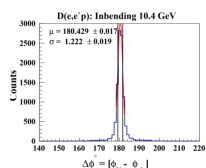
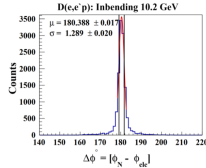
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Quasi-Elastic Event Selection - 4

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 $1\sigma E_{beam}^{angles} \text{ cut}$
 $1\sigma \Delta\phi \text{ cut}$

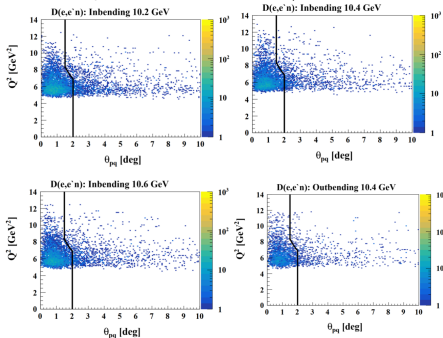
θ_{pq} cut on QE events

Range of θ_{pq} distribution shrinks with increasing Q^2 .

$$Q^2 < f(\theta_{pq})$$

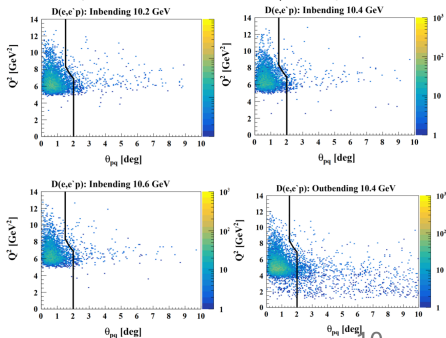
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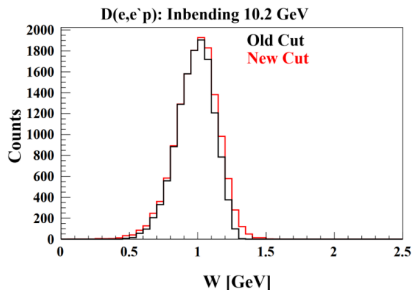
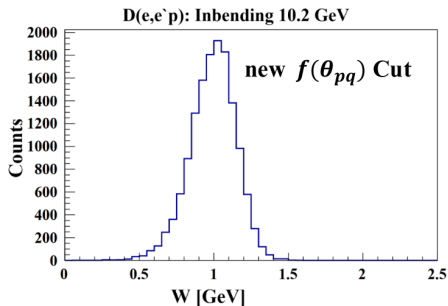
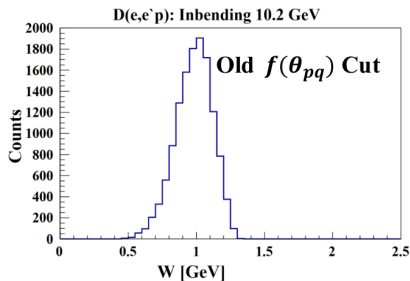


$^2\text{H}(e, e'p)$

Require FD electron and PCAL/ECAL proton



Impact of θ_{pq} Cut



Cuts Applied:
 $1\sigma E_{beam}^{angles}$ cut
 $1\sigma \Delta\phi$ cut
 $Q^2 < f(\theta_{pq})$

Pass 1 - Pass 2 Comparison - 2

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Cuts Applied:

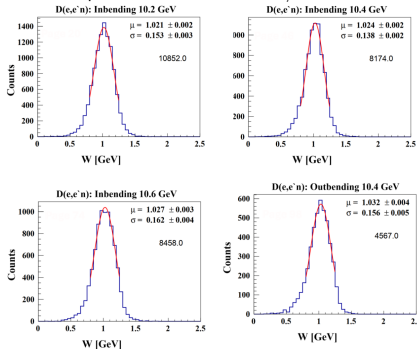
$1\sigma E_{beam}^{angles}$ cut

$1\sigma \Delta\phi$ cut

$Q^2 < f(\theta_{pq})$

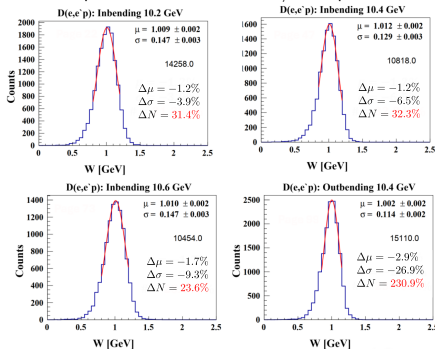
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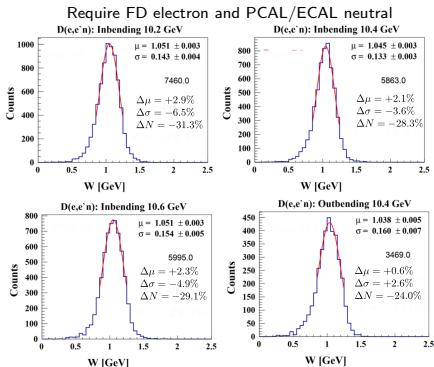
Changes in values are relative to $e - n$ events.

Impact of Acceptance Matching

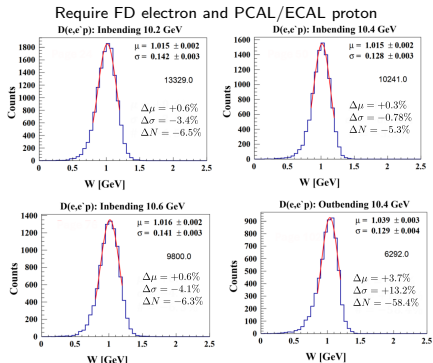
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 $Q^2 < f(\theta_{pq})$
 Acceptance Matching

$^2\text{H}(e, e'n)$



$^2\text{H}(e, e'p)$



Changes due to acceptance matching.

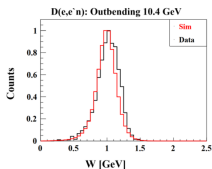
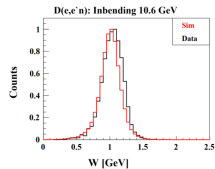
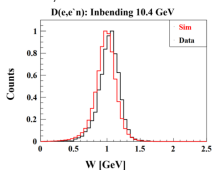
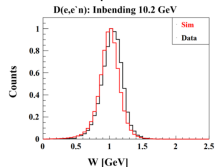
Comparison with Simulation

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 $Q^2 < f(\theta_{pq})$
 Acceptance Matching

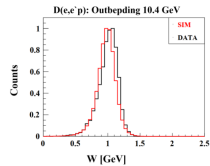
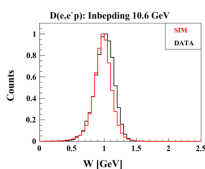
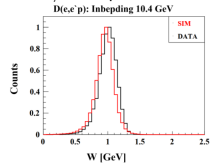
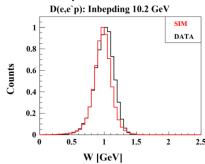
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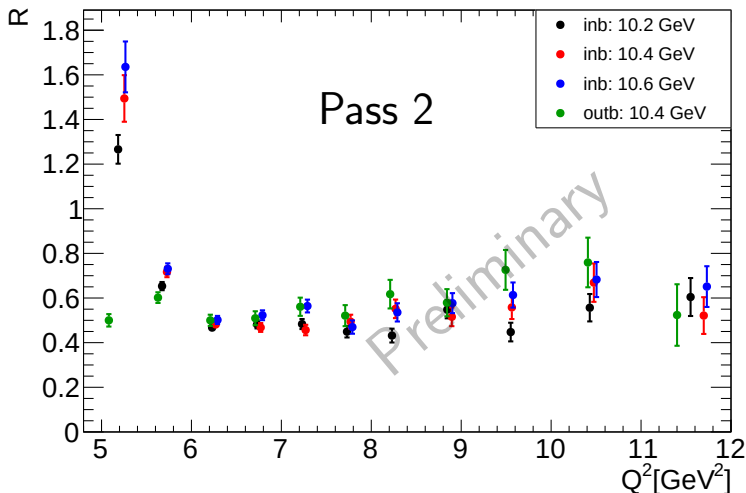
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Preliminary Ratio Result Uncorrected

$$R = \frac{2H(e,e'n)}{2H(e,e'p)}$$

Cuts Applied:
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 $1\sigma \Delta\phi$ cut
 $Q^2 < f(\theta_{pq})$
Acceptance Matching



Corrections to the Ratio

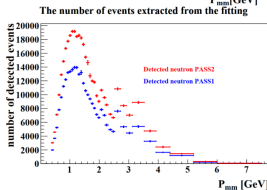
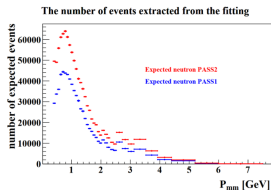
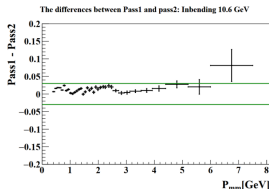
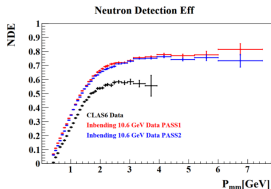
$$R_{Cor} = f_{NDE} f_{PDE} f_{nuc} f_{fermi} f_{rad} R$$

- f_{NDE} : Neutron Detection Efficiency - ✓ ✓
- f_{PDE} : Proton Detection Efficiency - ✓
- f_{nuc} : Nuclear correction - in progress
- f_{fermi} : Fermi Correction - ✓ ✓
- f_{rad} : Radiative Correction - ✓ ✓

✓ - Done. ✓ ✓ - Done and presented.

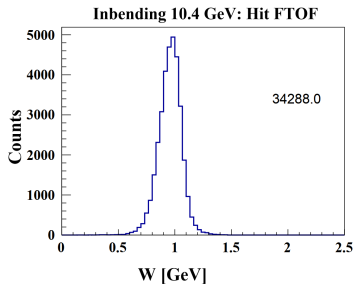
Neutron Detection Efficiency - Pass 1 vs Pass 2

- To measure Neutron Detection Efficiency (NDE) use the $ep \rightarrow e'\pi^+n$ reaction from RGA as a source of tagged neutrons.
- Detect $ep \rightarrow e'\pi^+$, predict location of neutron if it strikes CLAS12 (expected neutrons) and then search for it. This is a detected neutron. Ratio of detected to expected is NDE.
- Results - increase in number or expected and detected neutrons, ?? average residual.

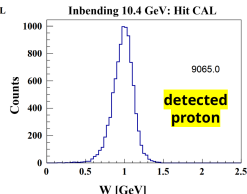
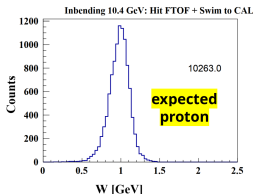


Proton Detection Efficiency

- Use the $^2\text{H}(e, e'p)n$ reaction in QE kinematics.
- Expected Proton
 - Assume the FTOF is 100% efficient.
 - Select e' in FD and require proton hit FTOF.
 - Apply QE cuts.
 - $1\sigma E_{beam}^{angles}$ cut
 - $1\sigma \Delta\phi$ cut
 - $Q^2 < f(\theta_{pq})$
- Use the e' information, assume elastic scattering and a stationary target, predict the proton 3-momentum. Swim it to PCAL/ECAL. If it strikes the front face it is an expected proton. Otherwise drop the event.

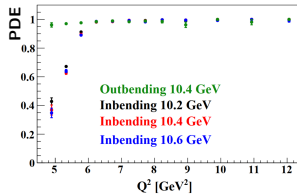
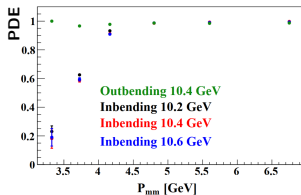


- Detected Proton
 - Electron in FD, proton in PCAL/ECAL.
 - QE cuts: $E_{beam}^{angles}, \Delta\phi, Q^2 < f(\theta_{pq})$
- Extract yields - ratio of detected to expected is the PDE.



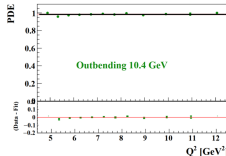
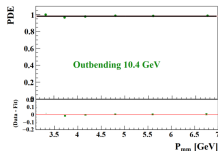
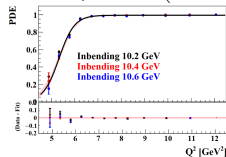
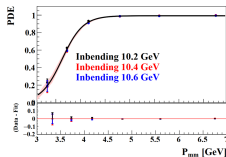
Other datasets are ongoing.

Proton Detection Efficiency Results



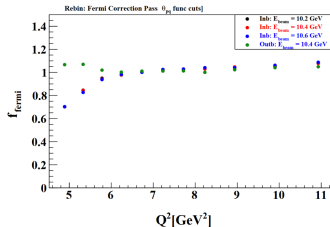
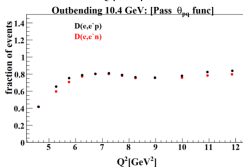
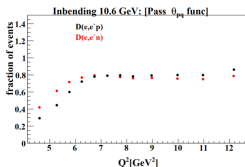
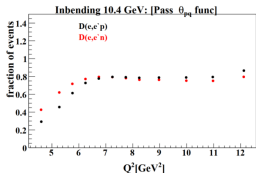
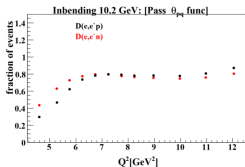
$$\eta(P_{mm}) = a_0 \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{P_{mm} - a_1}{a_2}\right)} \right)$$

$$\eta(Q^2) = b_0 \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{Q^2 - b_1}{b_2}\right)} \right)$$



Fermi Corrections

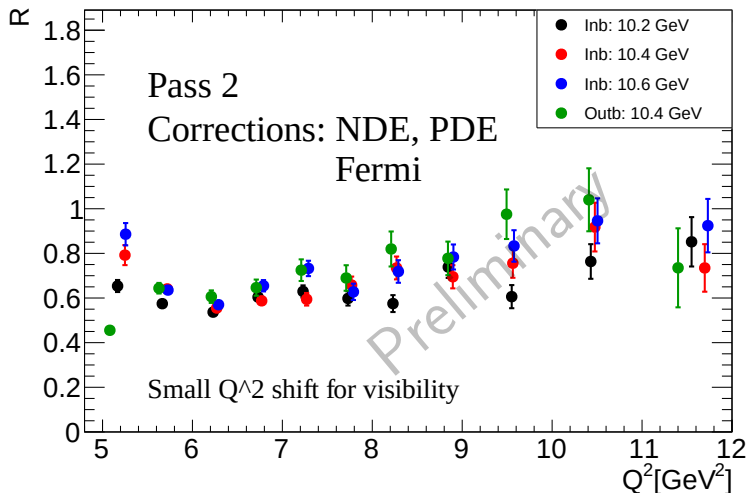
- Fermi motion in the target causes scattered nucleons to migrate out of the CLAS12 acceptance.
- Effect was simulated using the QUEEG generator.
- Fraction of correction (f_{pro} , f_{neut}) is the ratio of the number of actual hits in the acceptance that satisfy the θ_{pq} cut to the number of expected hits calculated using the electron information and assuming no Fermi motion.



Preliminary Ratio Result corrected

$$R = \frac{2H(e,e'n)}{2H(e,e'p)}$$

Cuts Applied:
 1σ E_{beam}^{angles} cut
 1σ $\Delta\phi_{beam}$ cut
 $Q^2 < f(\theta_{pq})$
 Acceptance Matching



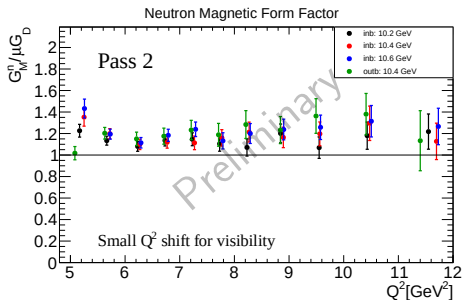
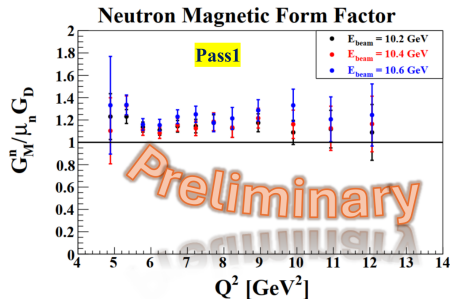
Preliminary G_M^n Result - 1

Recall

$$G_M^n = \sqrt{\left[\frac{R}{a(Q^2)} \left(\frac{\sigma_{mott}^p}{\sigma_{mott}^n} \right) \left(\frac{1 + \tau_n}{1 + \tau_p} \right) \left(G_E^p{}^2 + \frac{\tau_p}{\epsilon_p} G_M^p{}^2 \right) - G_E^n{}^2 \right] \frac{\epsilon_n}{\tau_n}}$$

Use Arrington et al. parameterization of form factors (Physics Letters B 777 (2018) 8–15)

Leads to



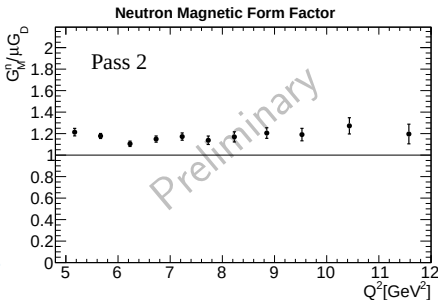
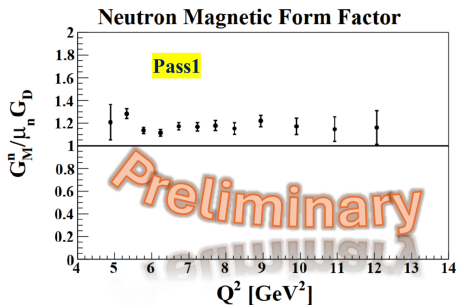
Preliminary G_M^n Result - 2

Recall

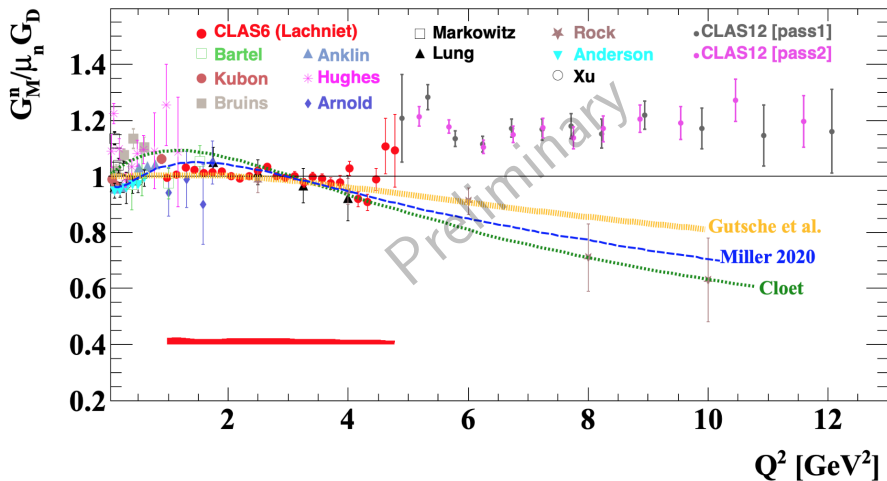
$$G_M^n = \sqrt{\left[\frac{R}{a(Q^2)} \left(\frac{\sigma_{mott}^p}{\sigma_{mott}^n} \right) \left(\frac{1 + \tau_n}{1 + \tau_p} \right) \left(G_E^{p^2} + \frac{\tau_p}{\epsilon_p} G_M^{p^2} \right) - G_E^{n^2} \right] \frac{\epsilon_n}{\tau_n}}$$

Use Arrington et al. parameterization of form factors (arXiv:1707.09063v2 [nucl-ex])

Leads to



- NDE for remaining data sets.
- Comparison of PDE for pass 1 and pass 2.
- Nuclear correction
- Study agreement between pass1 and pass 2 W distribution.
- Study of luminosity effects.



Backup Slides

Acceptance Matching

To insure the $e - n$ and $e - p$ acceptances are equal (1) start with the electron information, (2) assume elastic scattering, (3) assume a stationary proton target, (4) calculate its momentum, and (5) swim the track through CLAS12.

If the track strikes the CLAS12 fiducial volume keep the event, otherwise drop it.

Repeat 1-5 for the neutron and if the track hits CLAS12 keep the event, otherwise drop it.

