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Determination of the axial mass parameter
and
the proton charge radius

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Outline

- Introduction: the axial mass problem and the proton radius puzzle
- The z expansion
- Separating form factor and nuclear effects
- Conclusions and outlook

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- F_1, F_2 related via isospin to EM form factors: $F_{1,2} = F_{1,2}^p - F_{1,2}^n$
- F_P contribution suppressed by m_ℓ^2/m_N^2
- What do we know about $F_A(q^2)$?

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- CODATA value [Mohr et al. *RMP* **80**, 633 (2008)]
 $r_E^P = 0.87680(690) \text{ fm}$ extracted mainly from electronic hydrogen
more recently $r_E^P = 0.87510(610) \text{ fm}$ [Mohr et al. *RMP* **88**, 035009 (2016)]
spectroscopy alone: $r_E^P = 0.87590(770) \text{ fm}$ [Mohr et al. *RMP* **88**, 035009 (2016)]
- **5 σ discrepancy!** This is the proton radius puzzle

The z expansion

What did the PDG 2010 say?

K. Nakamura et al. (Particle Data Group), J. Phys. G 37, 075021 (2010)

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0.8768 ± 0.0069	MOHR	08	RVUE 2006 CODATA value
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0.897 ± 0.018	BLUNDEN	05	SICK 03 + 2γ correction
0.8750 ± 0.0068	MOHR	05	RVUE 2002 CODATA value
0.895 ± 0.010 ± 0.013	SICK	03	$e p \rightarrow e p$ reanalysis
0.830 ± 0.040 ± 0.040	24 ESCHRICH	01	$e p \rightarrow e p$
0.883 ± 0.014	MELNIKOV	00	1S Lamb Shift in H
0.880 ± 0.015	ROSENFELDR.00		$e p$ + Coul. corrections
0.847 ± 0.008	MERGELL	96	$e p$ + disp. relations

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0.877 ± 0.024	WONG	94	reanalysis of Mainz $e p$ data
0.865 ± 0.020	MCCORD	91	$e p \rightarrow e p$
0.862 ± 0.012	SIMON	80	$e p \rightarrow e p$
0.880 ± 0.030	BORKOWSKI	74	$e p \rightarrow e p$
0.810 ± 0.020	AKIMOV	72	$e p \rightarrow e p$
0.800 ± 0.025	FREREJACQ...	66	$e p \rightarrow e p$ (CH_2 tgt.)
0.805 ± 0.011	HAND	63	$e p \rightarrow e p$

²⁴ ESCHRICH 01 actually gives $\langle r^2 \rangle = (0.69 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.06) \text{ fm}^2$.

Proton charge radius from scattering

- The PDG 2010 lists proton radii starting from 1963
- This is more than 50 years of radii extraction.
- You can find almost any value between 0.8-0.9 fm....
- Data sets have changed over the last 50 years
but even using the same data sets different people get different values
- What is the problem?

Form Factors: What we don't know

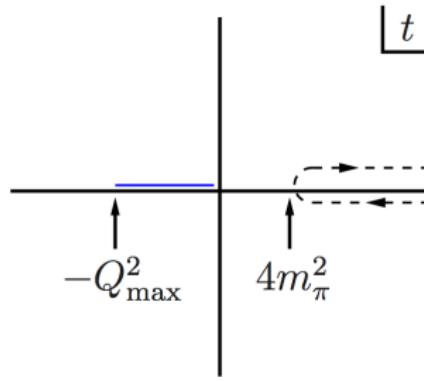
- The form factors are non-perturbative objects.
- **Nobody** knows the *exact* functional form of G_E^p and G_M^p
- They don't have to have a dipole/polynomial/spline or any other functional form
- Including such models can bias your extraction of r_E^p and r_M^p

Form Factors: What we do know

- Analytic properties of $G_E^P(t)$ and $G_M^P(t)$ are known
- They are analytic outside a cut $t \in [4m_\pi^2, \infty]$

[Federbush, Goldberger, Treiman, Phys. Rev. **112**, 642 (1958)]

- $e - p$ scattering data is in $t < 0$ region

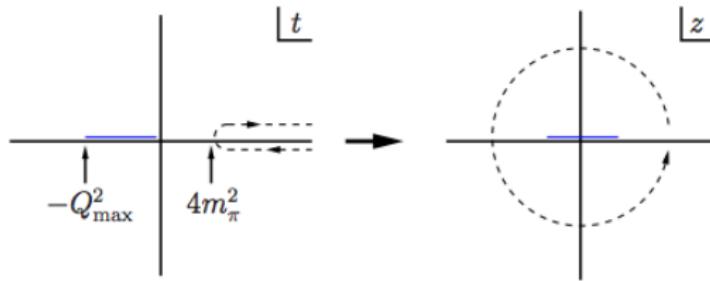


z expansion

- *z* expansion: map domain of analyticity onto unit circle

$$z(t, t_{\text{cut}}, t_0) = \frac{\sqrt{t_{\text{cut}} - t} - \sqrt{t_{\text{cut}} - t_0}}{\sqrt{t_{\text{cut}} - t} + \sqrt{t_{\text{cut}} - t_0}}$$

where $t_{\text{cut}} = 4m_\pi^2$, $z(t_0, t_{\text{cut}}, t_0) = 0$



- Expand $G_{E,M}^p$ in a Taylor series in *z*: $G_{E,M}^p(q^2) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z(q^2)^k$

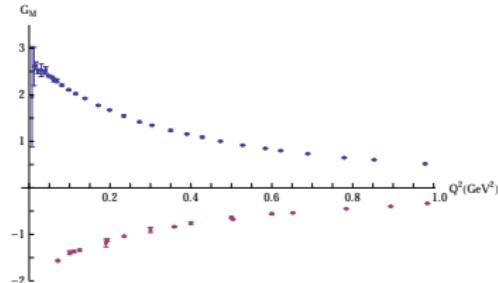
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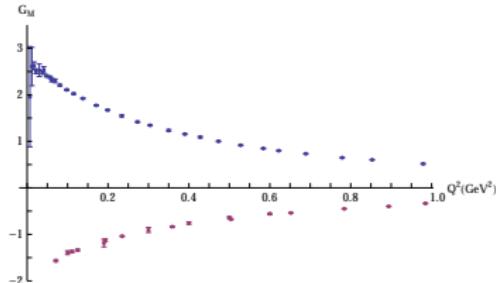
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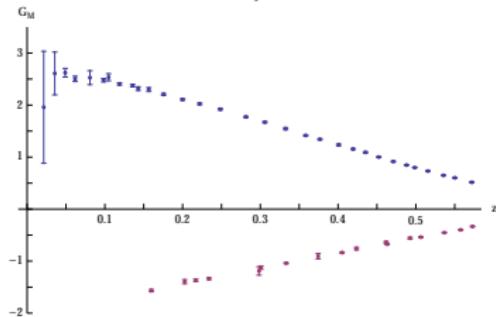
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- See also R.J. Hill talk at FPCP 2006 [hep-ph/0606023]

z expansion for bayons

- *z* expansion is **the** method for **meson** form factors, e.g.
[Flavor Lattice Averaging Group, EPJ C **74**, 2890 (2014)]
- Starting in 2010 applied to **baryon** form factors
[Hill, GP PRD **82** 113005 (2010)]
- Now applied successfully to extract $r_E^p, r_M^p, r_M^n, m_A \dots$

Example 1: r_E^p in PDG 2016

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0.8751 ± 0.0061	MOHR 16	RVUE	2014 CODATA value
0.84087 ± 0.00026 ± 0.00029	ANTOGNINI 13	LASR	μp -atom Lamb shift
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0.895 ± 0.014 ± 0.014	¹ LEE	15	SPEC Just 2010 Mainz data
0.916 ± 0.024	LEE	15	SPEC World data, no Mainz
0.8775 ± 0.0051	MOHR	12	RVUE 2010 CODATA, $e p$ data
0.875 ± 0.008 ± 0.006	ZHAN	11	SPEC Recoil polarimetry
0.879 ± 0.005 ± 0.006	BERNAUER	10	SPEC $e p \rightarrow e p$ form factor
0.912 ± 0.009 ± 0.007	BORISYUK	10	reanalyzes old $e p$ data
0.871 ± 0.009 ± 0.003	HILL	10	z-expansion reanalysis
0.84184 ± 0.00036 ± 0.00056	POHL	10	LASR See ANTOGNINI 13
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p MAGNETIC RADIUS

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$0.776 \pm 0.034 \pm 0.017$	¹ LEE	15	SPEC Just 2010 Mainz data
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0.914 \pm 0.035	LEE	15	SPEC World data, no Mainz
0.87 \pm 0.02	EPSTEIN	14	Using $e p$, $e n$, $\pi\pi$ data
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¹ Authors also provide values for a combination of all available data.

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[Lee, Arrington, Hill, PRD **92**, 013013 (2015)]

Example 3: r_M^n in PDG 2016

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n MAGNETIC RADIUS

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VALUE (fm)	DOCUMENT ID	COMMENT
0.864^{+0.009}_{-0.008} OUR AVERAGE		
0.89 ± 0.03	EPSTEIN 14	Using $e p$, $e n$, $\pi\pi$ data
0.862 ^{+0.009} _{-0.008}	BELUSHKIN 07	Dispersion analysis

[Epstein, GP, Roy PRD **90**, 074027 (2014)]

Example 4: more z expansion for baryons

Partial list:

- Heavy-baryon form factors:
 - [Khodjamirian, Klein, Mannel Wang, JHEP **1109**, 106 (2011)]
 - [**Lattice**: Detmold, Lehner, Meinel PRD **92**, 034503 (2015)]
 - $|V_{ub}|/|V_{cb}|$ using baryonic decays
[LHCb Collaboration, Nature Phys. **11**, 743 (2015)]
- Strange nucleon EM form factors:
[**Lattice**: Green et al., Phys. Rev. D **92** 031501 (2015)]
- Nucleon EM form factors
[**Lattice**: Alexandrou et al., arXiv:1706.00469]
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[Hill, GP PRL **107** 160402 (2011)], [Hill, GP PRD **95**, 094017 (2017)]

Separating form factor and nuclear effects

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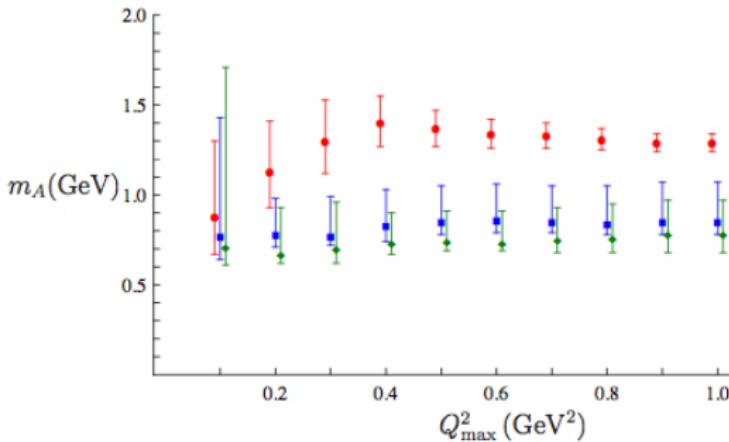
- Using the *z* expansion we can vary F_A
- Expand F_A in a Taylor series in z : $F_A = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z(q^2)^k$
- $|z(q^2)| < 1$ so in practice we need only a few terms
- For the extraction to be independent of the # of parameters
need to bound $|a_k|$: e.g. $|a_k| \leq 5$ and $|a_k| \leq 10$

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[Bhattacharya, Hill, GP PRD **84** 073006 (2011)]
from MiniBooNE's neutrino data
[MiniBooNE Collaboration, PRD **81** 092005 (2010)]
- Mostly follow MiniBooNE's analysis: use RFG as nuclear model

Neutrino: z expansion

- Our z expansion fit to MiniBooNE data (Assuming RFG):
Red: dipole, Blue: z , $|a_k| \leq 5$, Green: z , $|a_k| \leq 10$



- Our fit using z expansion: $m_A = 0.85^{+0.22}_{-0.07} \pm 0.09 \text{ GeV}$
- Our fit using dipole model: $m_A^{\text{dipole}} = 1.29 \pm 0.05 \text{ GeV}$
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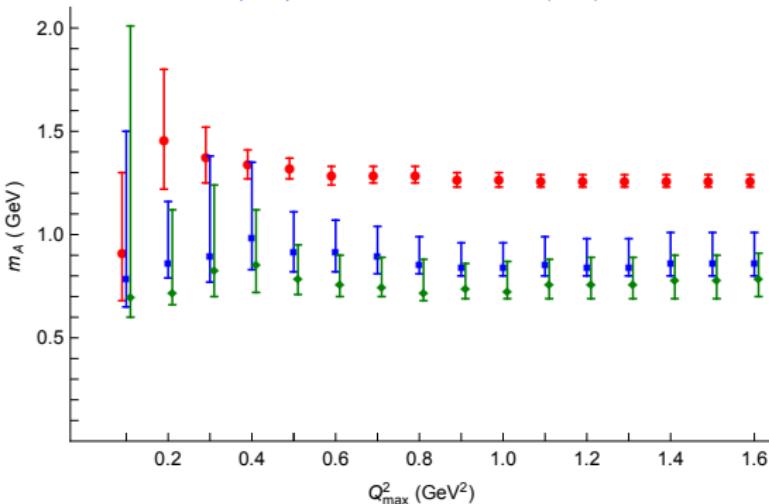
Problematic! the axial mass is a fundamental property of the nucleon

Might *hide* nuclear effects in the axial mass

- We use the same F_A for C and H and extract *one* axial mass

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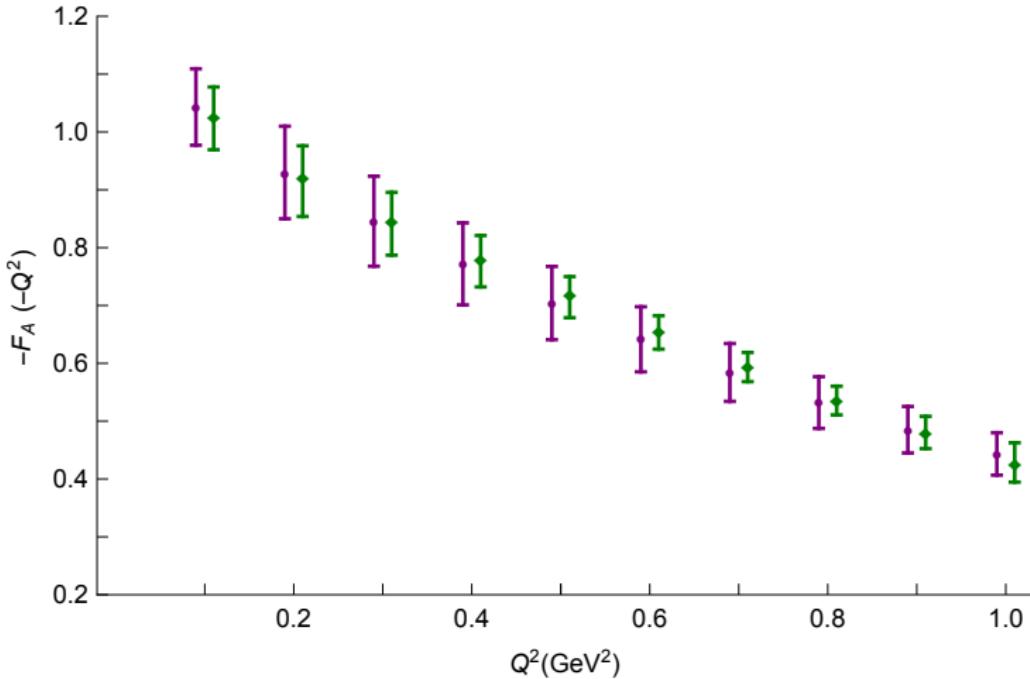
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- Hint of a problem with nuclear model?
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- Even more recently:

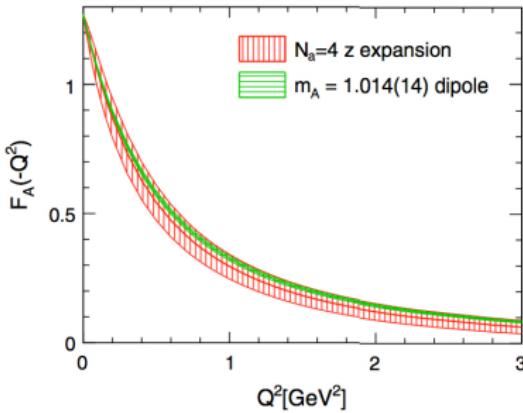
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 $r_A = 0.68^{+0.15}_{-0.19} \text{ fm}$
- Consistent with MiniBooNE neutrino and antineutrino data, e.g.
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 $[a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4] = [2.30(0.13), -0.6(1.0), -3.8(2.5), 2.3(2.7)]$

Example 4: Lattice QCD

- Lattice QCD calculation of F_A using the z expansion is underway
[Meyer, Hill, Kronfeld, Li, Simone, arXiv:1610.04593]

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- Next step: combine z expansion and CFG nuclear model
[Bhattacharya, Cohen, Hen, GP, Piasetzky, Tockstein, Wieske
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- The z expansion allows to control form factor effects
separately from nuclear effects
- I invite the community to use the z expansion
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