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The Charge Radius of the Proton

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Outline

- Introduction: 5σ discrepancy
- Comparison of extractions methods
- Model independent extraction
- Conclusions and outlook

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- The slope of G_E^p

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_E^p = 6 \left. \frac{dG_E^p}{dq^2} \right|_{q^2=0} \quad \text{or} \quad G_E^p(q^2) = 1 + \frac{q^2}{6} \langle r^2 \rangle_E^p + \dots,$$

determines the charge radius $r_E^p \equiv \sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle_E^p}$

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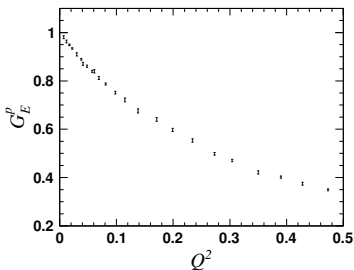
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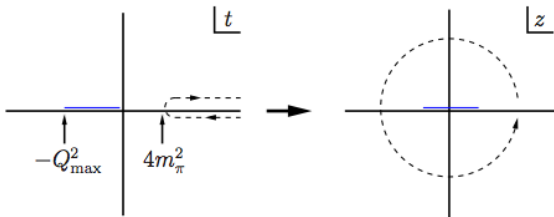
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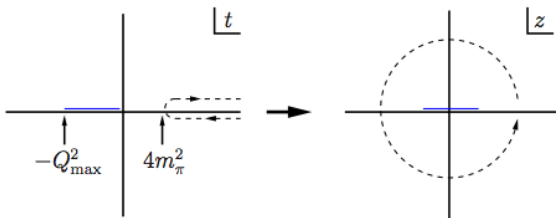


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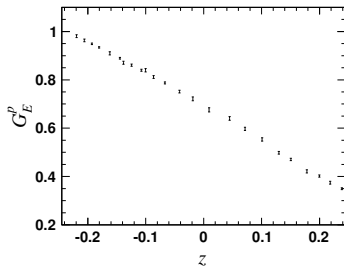
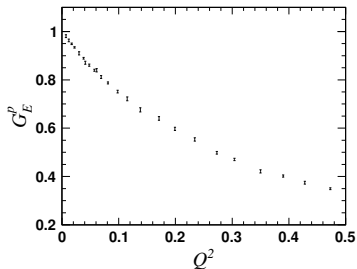
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- The curvature is smaller in the z variable



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- Standard tool in analyzing **meson** transition form factors
 - Bourely et al. NPB **189**, 157 (1981)
 - Boyd et al. arXiv:hep-ph/9412324
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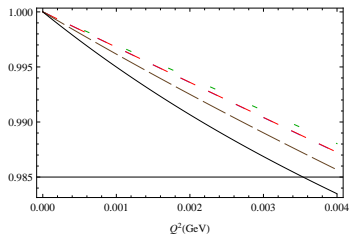
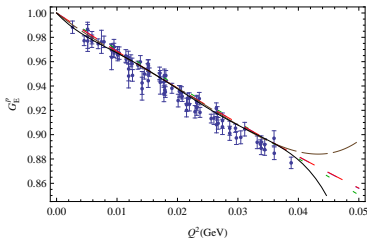
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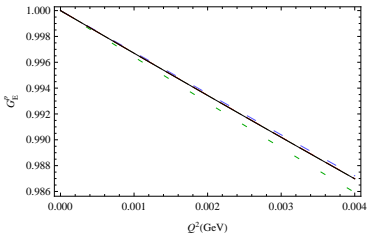
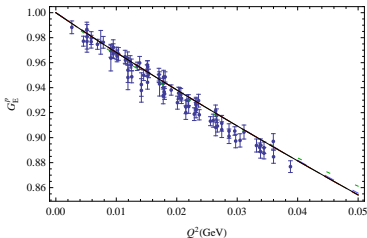
- Fits with two parameters agree well
- As we increase k_{\max} the errors for the first three fits grow
- For the continued fraction fit for $k_{\max} > 3$ the slope is not positive
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Comparison of Taylor and constrained z fits

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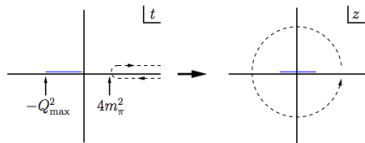


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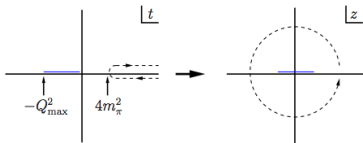
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- Since ω is narrow: $\Gamma_\omega/m_\omega \approx 1\% \Rightarrow \sum_k a_k^2/a_0^2$ is large
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Taking $t_0 = 0$: $|a_k| < 1.3$ for $G_E^{(0)}$, $|a_k| < 0.78$ for $G_E^{(1)}$

- Conclusion: $|a_k| \leq 10$ is a very conservative estimate for this ansatz

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- We find a very small contribution from this region
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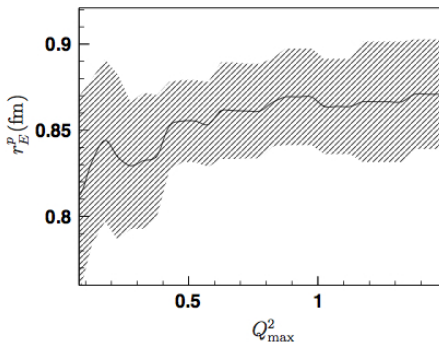
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- Including neutron data \Rightarrow fit $G_E^{(0)}$ and $G_E^{(1)}$ separately

For isoscalar $t_{\text{cut}} = 9m_\pi^2 \Rightarrow$ smaller value of $|z|_{\text{max}}$

- Using

- ▶ G_E^p up to $Q_{\text{max}}^2 = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

- ▶ 20 data points for G_E^n

- ▶ Neutron charge radius from [PDG 2010]

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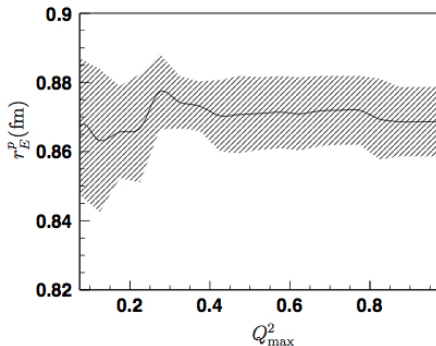
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Last error 30% normalization for $f_1^+(t)$

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- ▶ CODATA value [Mohr et al. arXiv:0801.0028]

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extracted mainly from (electronic) hydrogen

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where $\langle r^3 \rangle_{(2)}$ is the third Zemach moment

- [Zemach Phys. Rev. **104**, 1771 (1956)]

$$\langle r^3 \rangle_{(2)} \equiv \int d^3r d^3s \rho(r)\rho(s)|r-s|^3$$

ρ electric charge distribution

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- If we **assume** one parameter model for G_E^p
the two parameters are related, otherwise they are not
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 \Rightarrow use the CODATA value of r_E^p and solve for $\langle r^3 \rangle_{(2)}$

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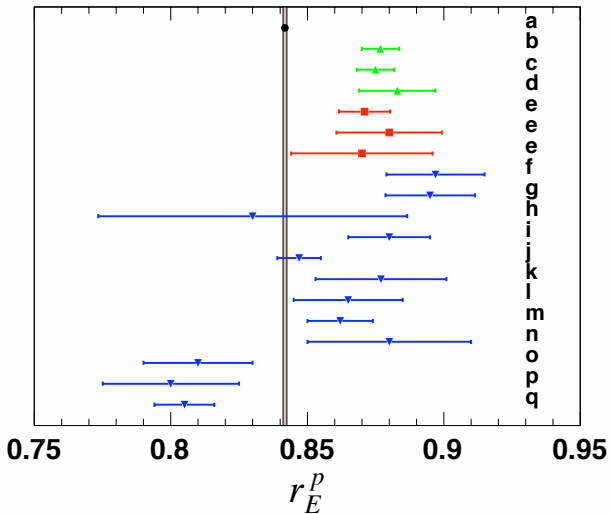
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muonic hydrogen (circle and vertical band)

electronic hydrogen (green triangles)

electron scattering employing the z expansions (red squares)

previous electron scattering extractions (blue downward triangles)

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- Applying z expansion to the magnetic and axial-vector form-factors
- Model independent extraction of the third Zemach moment from $e - p$ scattering data
- A model independent analysis using NRQED
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