High Q^2 Few-Body Form Factors

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Few-Body Form Factors

- Elastic scattering from the deuteron and few-body systems has been a major part of the experimental program of every electron machine
- Bates, NIKHEF, Saclay and SLAC (HEP and NPAS) have had highly successful programs
- Physics importance justified development of tritium targets at Bates and Saclay
- Papers on subject are among the highest cited in electronuclear physics
- Subject is integral part of every electronuclear conference
- Fundamental information on the structure of the deuteron and the three- and four-body systems.

Elastic Electron-Deuteron Scattering

- Cross Section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 E'}{4E^3 \sin^4(\frac{\theta}{2})} \left[A(Q^2)\cos^2(\tfrac{\theta}{2}) + B(Q^2)\sin^2(\tfrac{\theta}{2})\right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(Q^2) &= F_C^2(Q^2) + \frac{8}{9}\tau^2 F_Q^2(Q^2) + \frac{2}{3}\tau F_M^2(Q^2) \\ B(Q^2) &= \frac{4}{3}\tau(\tau+1)F_M^2(Q^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$Q^2 = 4EE'\sin^2(\tfrac{\theta}{2}) \qquad \tau = Q^2/4M^2$$

- F_C, F_Q, F_M: Charge, Quadrupole, Magnetic form factors

- Forward angle scattering $\longrightarrow A(Q^2)$

- Backward angle scattering $\longrightarrow B(Q^2)$

Polarized e-d Elastic Scattering

- To separate F_C, F_Q, F_M form factors must measure a polarization observable.
- Measure the target deuteron analysing power (polarized target, unpolarized beam).
- Measure the recoil deuteron tensor polarization (unpolarized beam and target).

$$t_{20} =$$

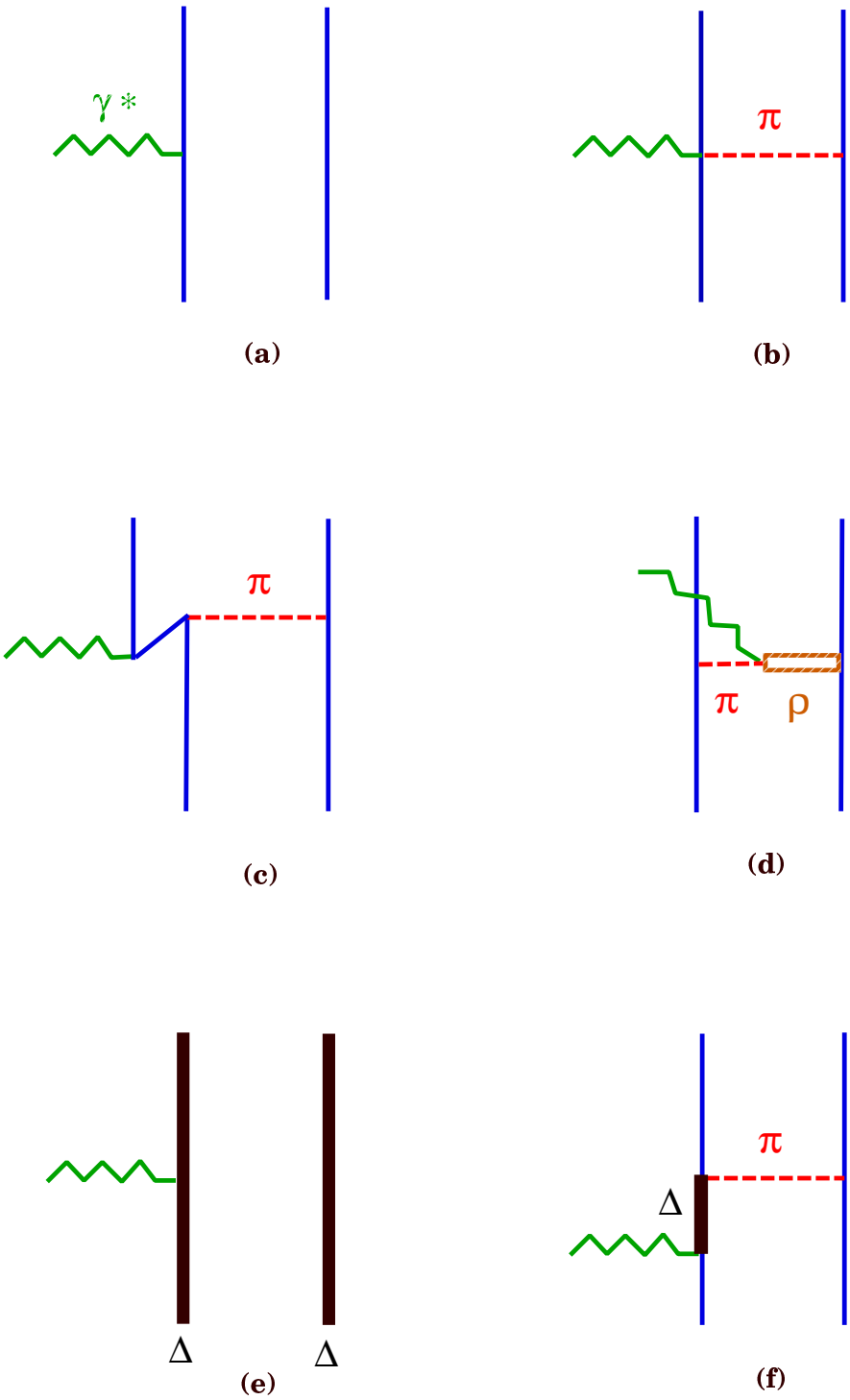
$$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}S}\left[\frac{8}{3}\tau F_C F_Q + \frac{8}{9}\tau^2 F_Q^2 + \frac{1}{3}\tau[1 + 2(1+\tau)\tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}]G_M^2\right]$$

$$S = A + B\tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}$$

Deuteron Non-Relativistic Approach

- Impulse Approximation
- Two-body bound state solved with Schrödinger equation using a realistic NN potential
- Darwin-Foldy and spin-orbit Relativistic Corrections
- Meson-Exchange Currents
- Isobar Configurations
- Six-Quark Admixtures
- Total Form Factor:

$$F = F_{IA} + F_{RC} + F_{MEC} + F_{IC} + F_{6q}$$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Deuteron Relativistic Approaches

- Manifestly Covariant Dynamics using 3-D reductions of Bethe-Salpeter equation
  - Lorentz transformations are kinematic
  - Inclusion of negative energy states is dynamic
  - Quasi-potential approximation
    - Gross equation$^{(\mathrm{VDG})}$
    - Blackenbeckler-Sugar equation$^{(\mathrm{HT})}$
  - Equal-time approximation
    - Wallace-Mandelweig equation$^{(\mathrm{PW})}$

- Light Front Dynamics using field theories quantized on the light cone
  - Conventional quantum mechanics
  - Some Lorentz transformations include the interaction

VDG : Van Orden, Devine and Gross
HT : Hummel and Tjon
PW : Phillips and Wallace

Deuteron Quark-Gluon Approaches

- Dimensional Scaling Quark Model (DSQM)

$$\sqrt{A(Q^2)} \sim (Q^2)^{-5}$$
$$\sqrt{B(Q^2)} \sim (Q^2)^{-6}$$

- Perturbative QCD

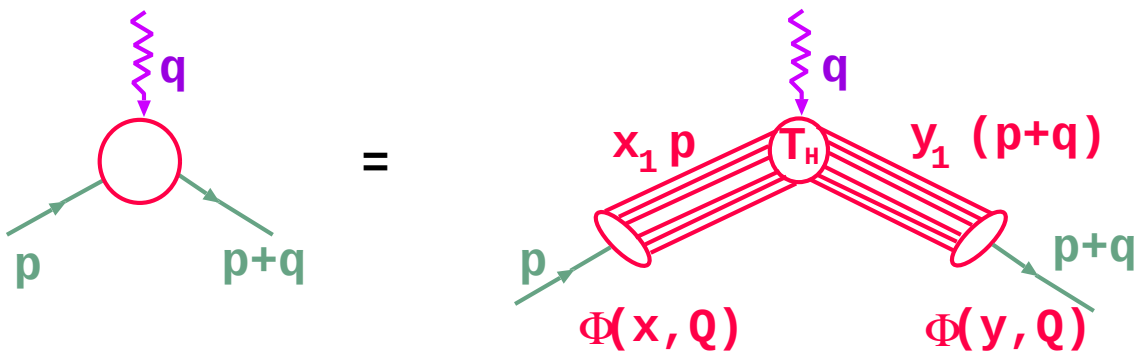
$$\sqrt{A(Q^2)} = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 dx dy \Phi_d^\dagger(y,Q) T(x,y,Q) \Phi_d(x,Q)$$

- Deuteron Form Factor

$$F_d(Q^2) \equiv \sqrt{A(Q^2)} =$$
$$= \left[\frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{Q^2}\right]^5 \sum_{m,n} d_{mn} \left[\ln(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda_{QCD}^2})\right]^{-\gamma_n - \gamma_m}$$

- Reduced Deuteron Form Factor

$$f_d(Q^2) = \frac{F_d(Q^2)}{F_N^2(Q^2/4)} \sim \left[\frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{Q^2}\right] \left[\ln(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda_{QCD}^2})\right]^{-\Gamma(n_f,n_c)}$$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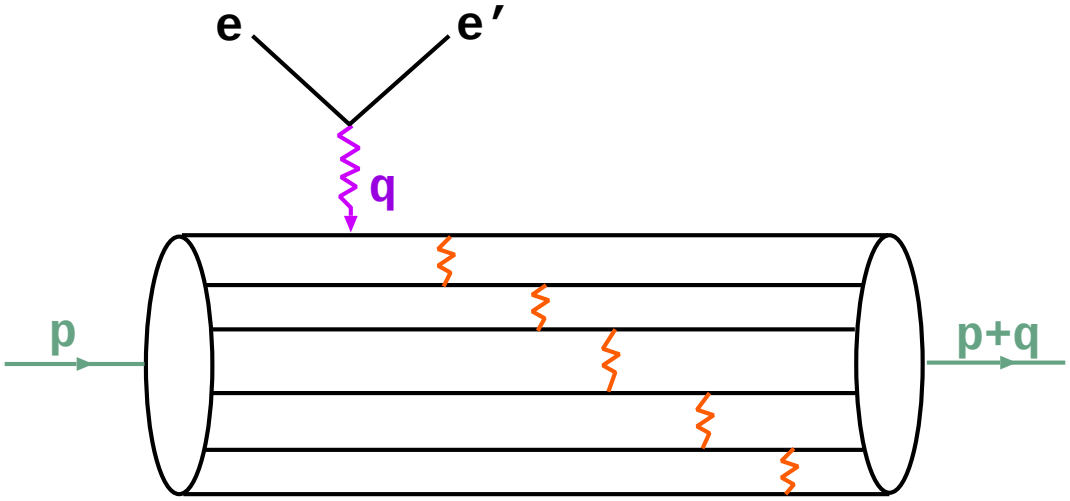
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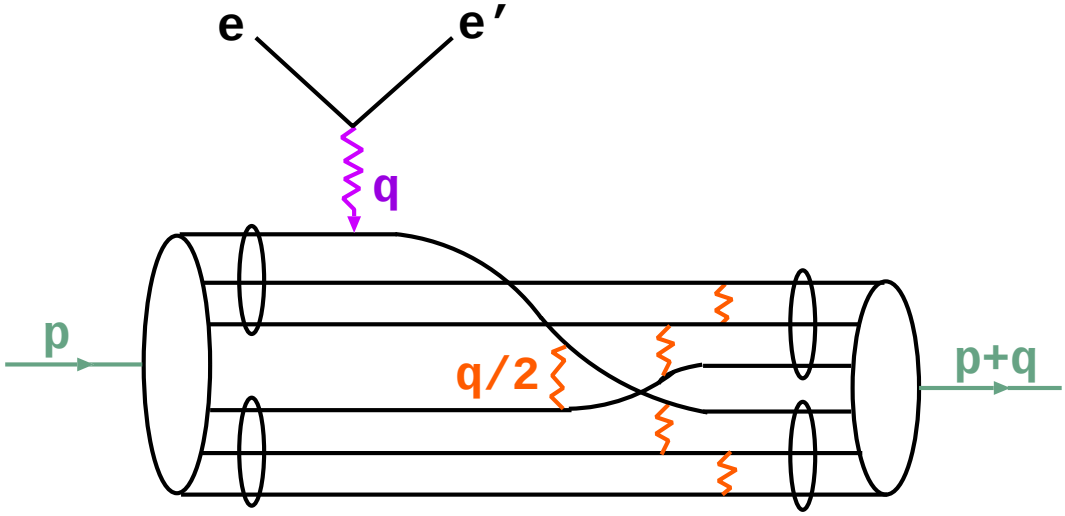
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Elastic Electron-Helium/Tritium Scattering

- ^{3}He/^{3}H charge and magnetic form factors:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{Z^2\alpha^2 E'}{4E^3\sin^4(\frac{\theta}{2})}\left[A(Q^2)\cos^2(\tfrac{\theta}{2}) + B(Q^2)\sin^2(\tfrac{\theta}{2})\right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(Q^2) &= \frac{F_C^2(Q^2) + \mu^2\tau F_M^2(Q^2)}{1+\tau} \\ B(Q^2) &= 2\tau\mu^2 F_M^2(Q^2) \end{aligned}$$

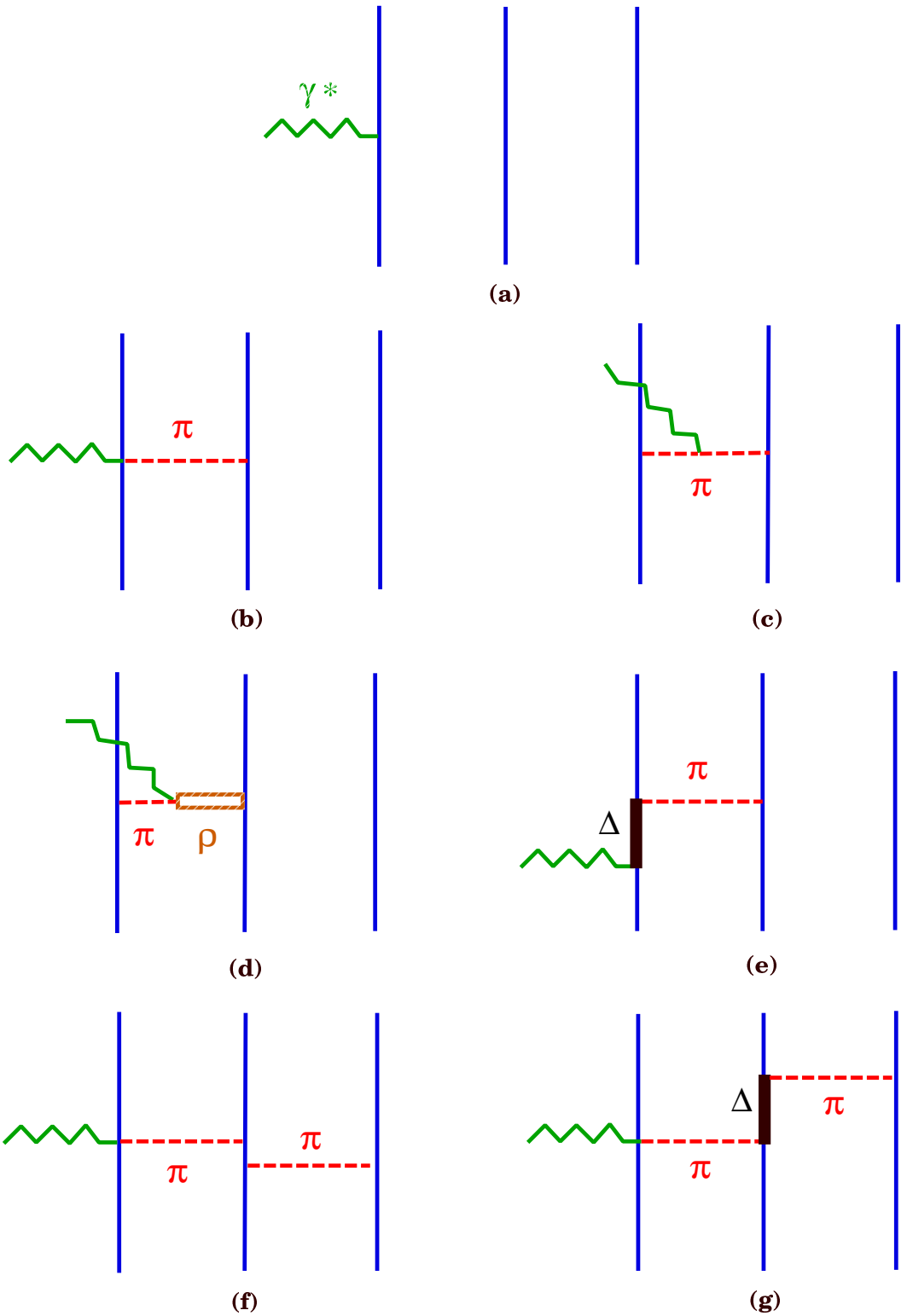
$$Q^2 = 4EE'\sin^2(\tfrac{\theta}{2}) \qquad \tau = Q^2/4M^2$$

- ^{4}He charge form factor

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{Z^2\alpha^2 E'\cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{4E^3\sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} F_C^2(Q^2)$$

The Three- and Four-Body Standard Model

- Impulse Approximation (IA)
- Solve the nuclear ground state using:
  - Numerical solutions of Faddeev equations
  - Correlated Hyperspherical Harmonics (CCH)
  - Monte Carlo methods
    - Variational Monte Carlo (VMC)
    - Green's Function Monte Carlo (GFMC)
- Relativistic Corrections
  - Darwin - Foldy
  - Spin - orbit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Beyond the Impulse Approximation

- IA alone cannot describe the few-body form factor data
- Position of first diffraction minimum and height of secondary maximum either overestimated or underestimated
- Inclusion of Meson-Exchange Currents (MEC) brings theory in better agreement with data
  - Model-independent (pion-like exchanges)
  - Model-dependent (transition currents)
- Isobar Configurations calculated to have small effects
- Three-Body Force effects have been shown to be small
- Multi-Quark Admixtures in nuclear wave function

Constituent Counting Rules

- Dimensional scaling of high energy amplitudes using quark counting

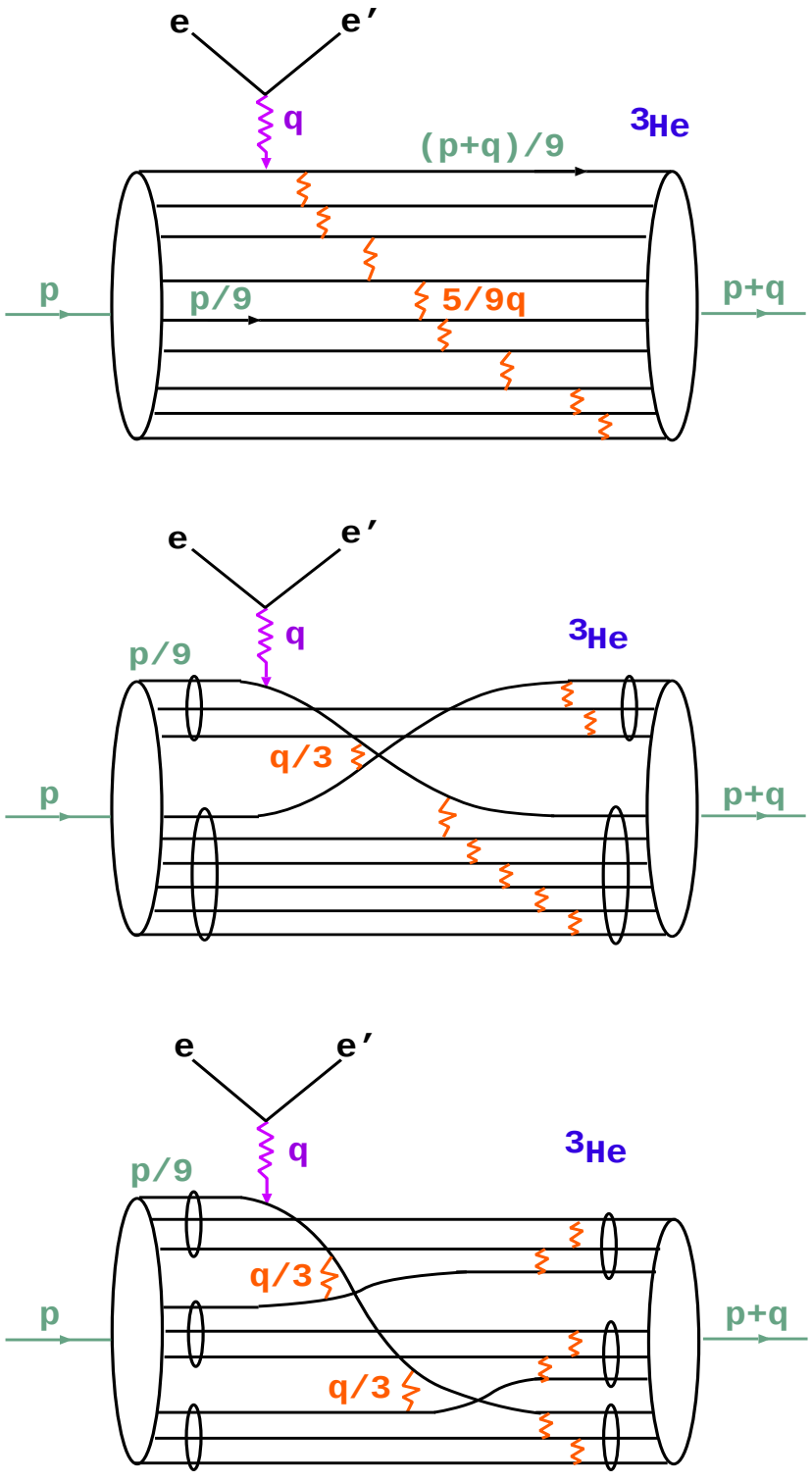
- Prediction for Helium Form factor:

$$F_{\mathrm{He}}(Q^2) \equiv \sqrt{A_{\mathrm{He}}(Q^2)} \sim (Q^2)^{1-3A}$$

$$A = 3 \text{ for } {}^3\mathrm{He}, \quad A = 4 \text{ for } {}^4\mathrm{He}$$

- Dominance of the constituent-interchange force between quarks of different nucleons to share Q/A

- Can this be applicable to the Q^2 range accessible by JLab?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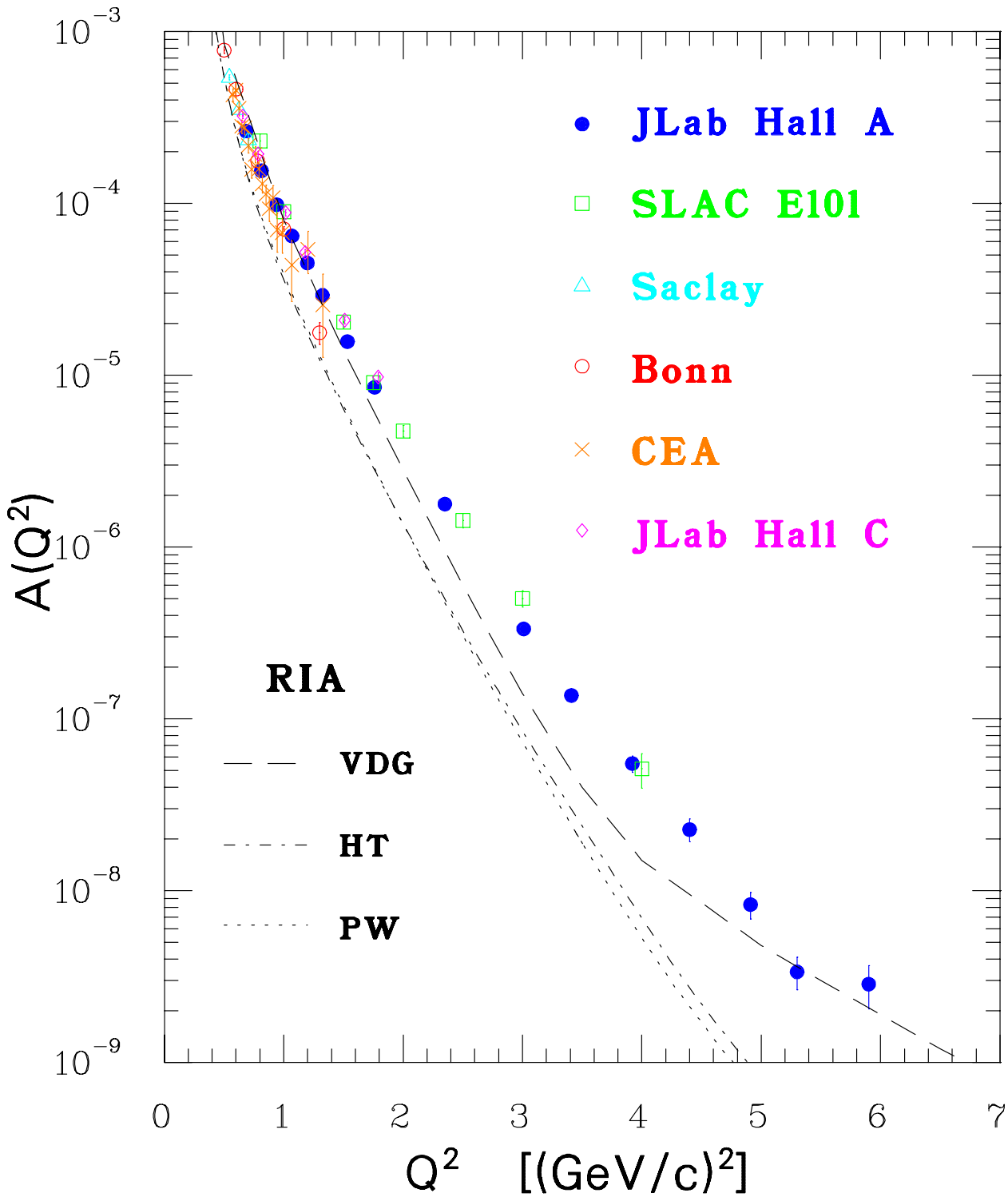
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A(Q²)
Q² [(GeV/c)²]
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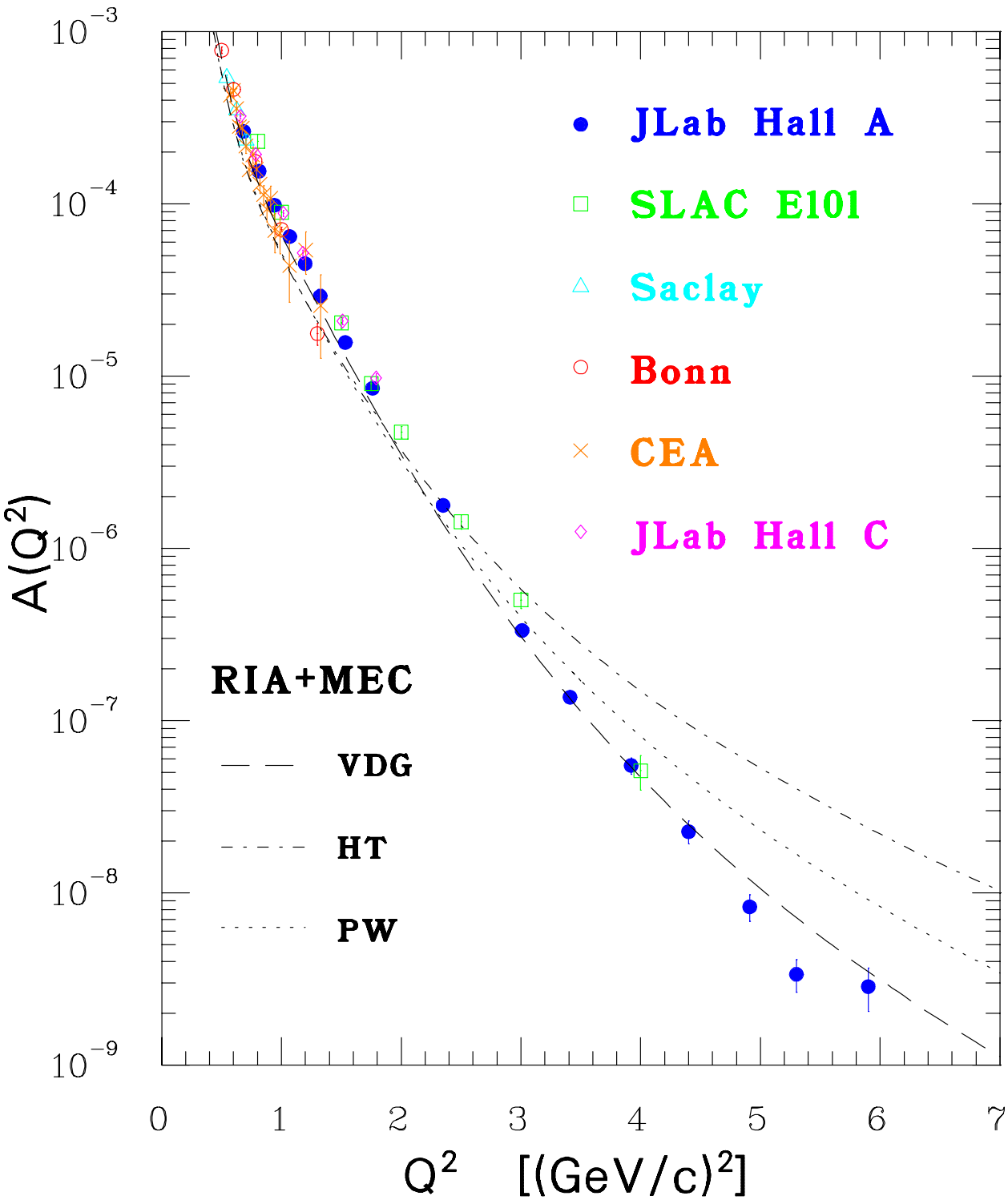
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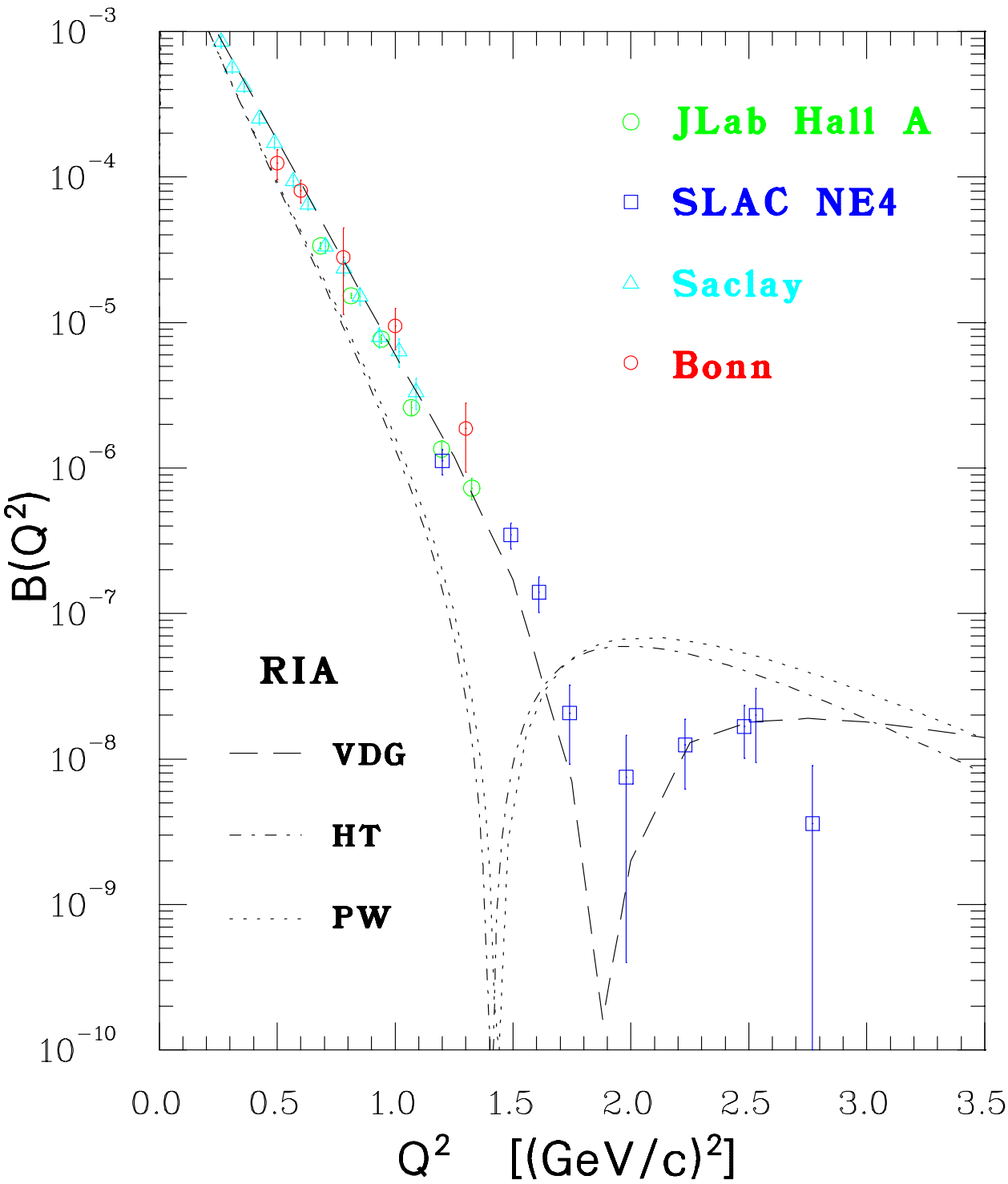
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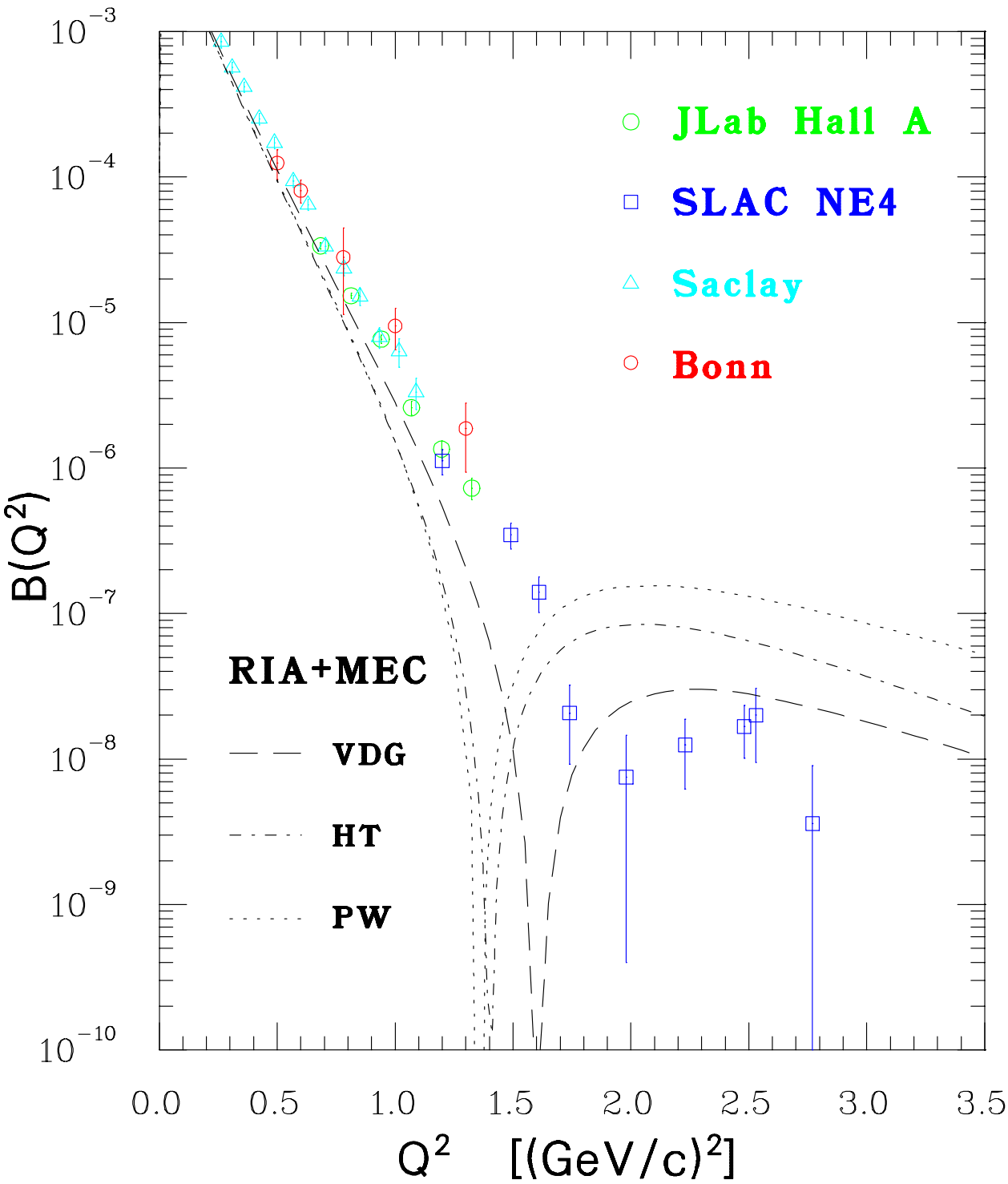
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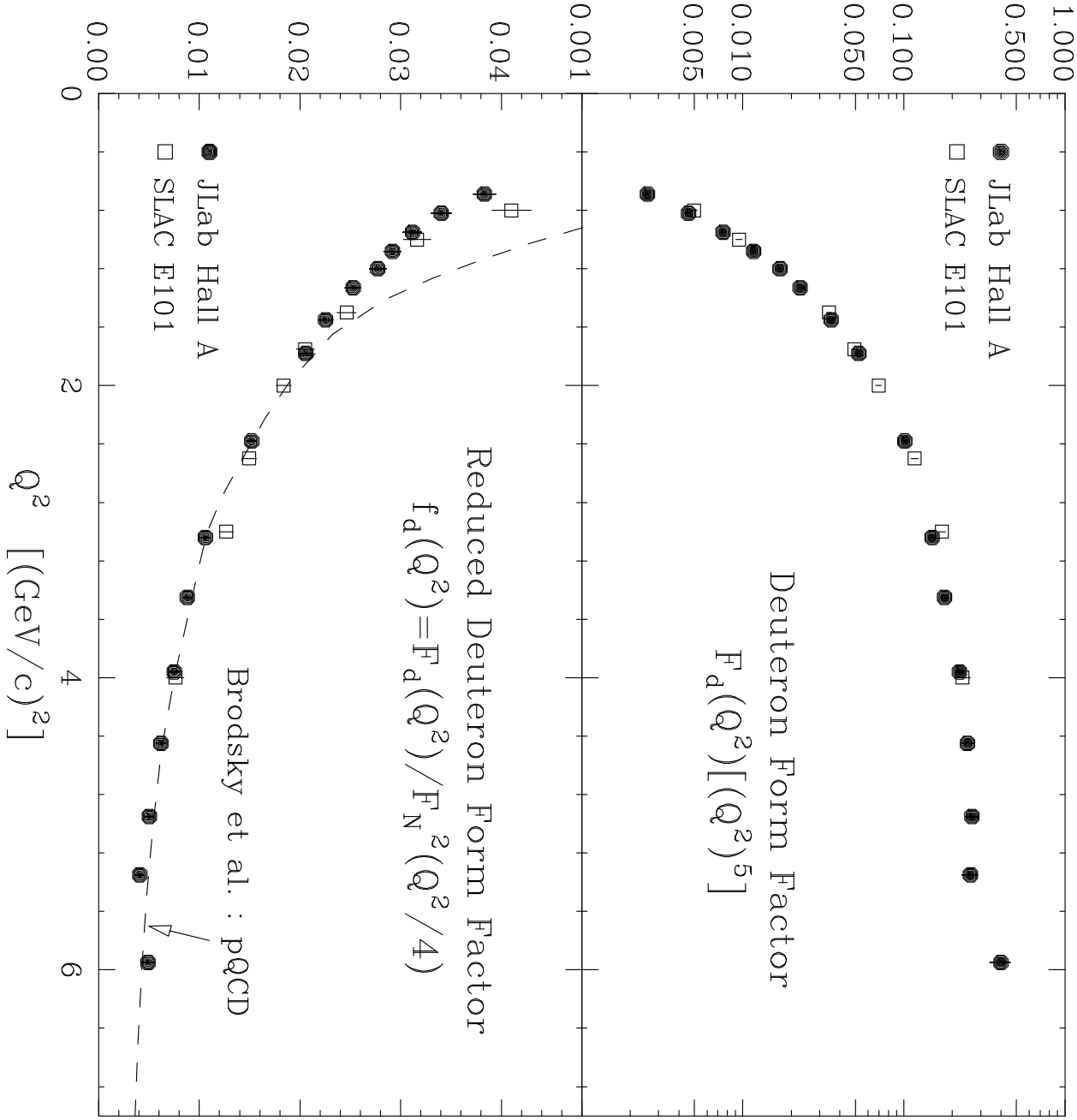
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Deuteron Form Factor
$F_d(Q^2)[(Q^2)^5]$
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0.005
0.001
Reduced Deuteron Form Factor
$f_d(Q^2)=F_d(Q^2)/F_N^2(Q^2/4)$
Brodsky et al. : pQCD
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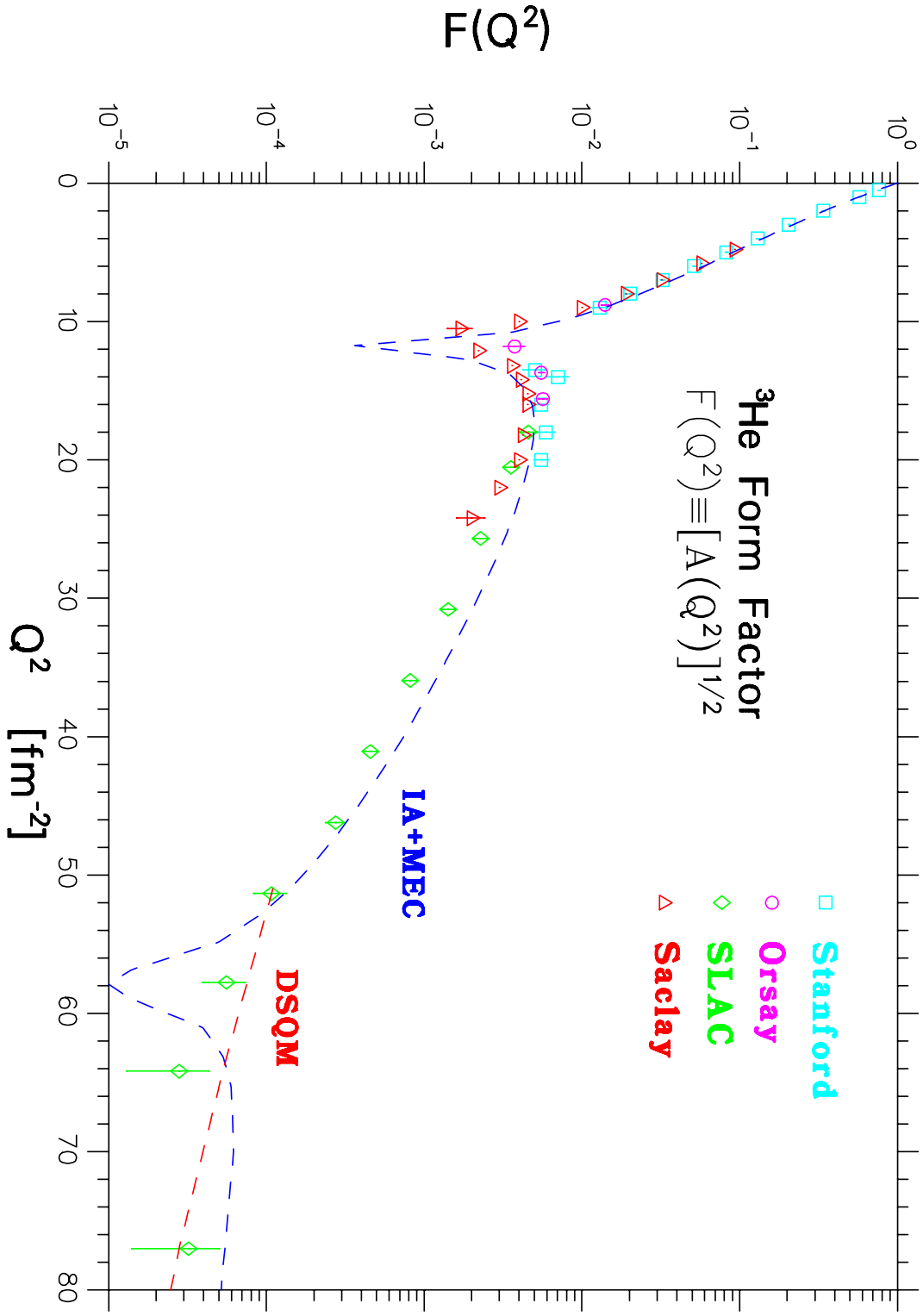
Q^2 $[(GeV/c)^2]$


F(Q²)
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F(Q²)≡[A(Q²)]^1/2
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IA+MEC
DSQM
Q² [fm⁻²]
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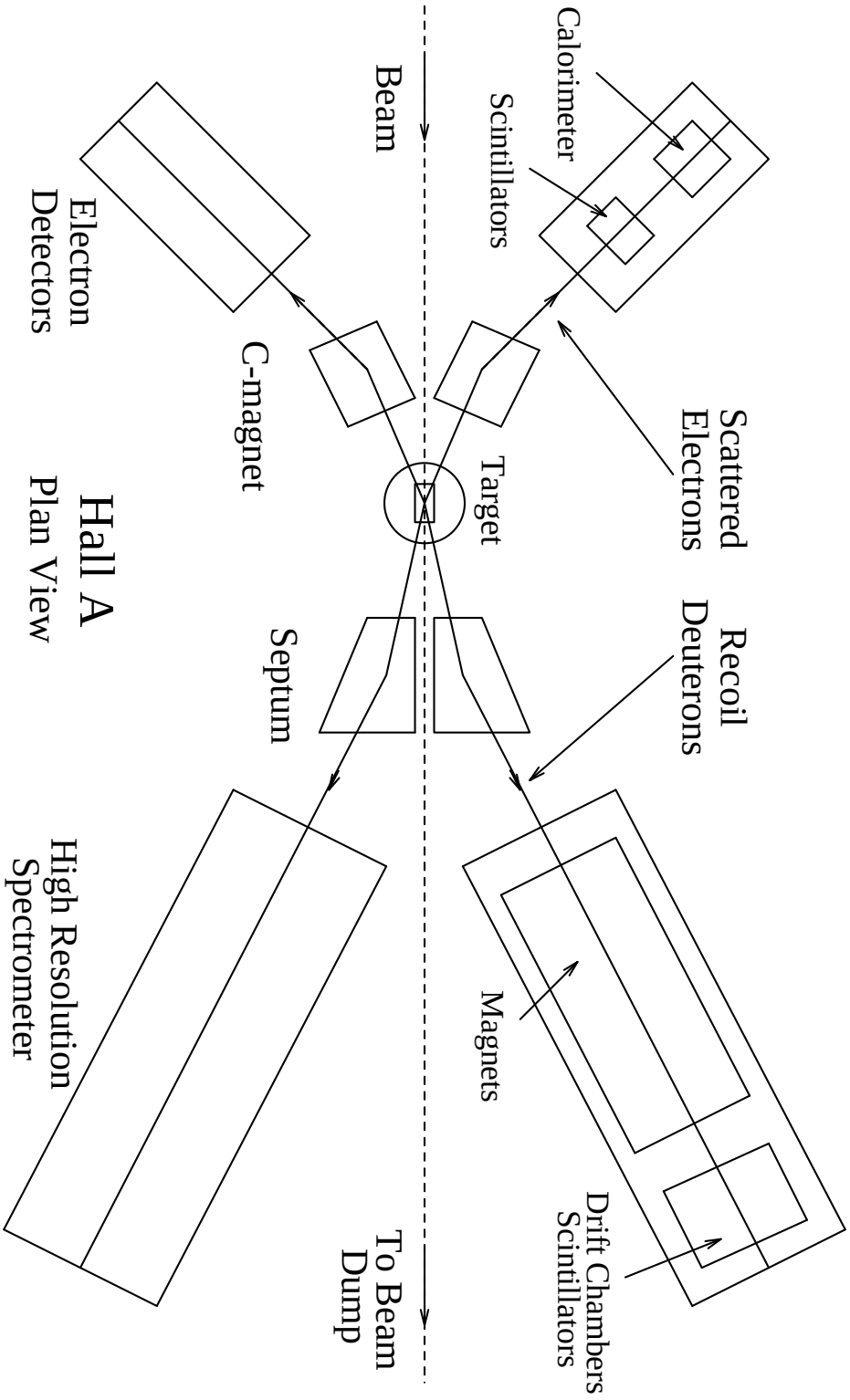
Calorimeter
Scintillators
Scattered Electrons
Recoil Deuterons
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Magnets
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Target
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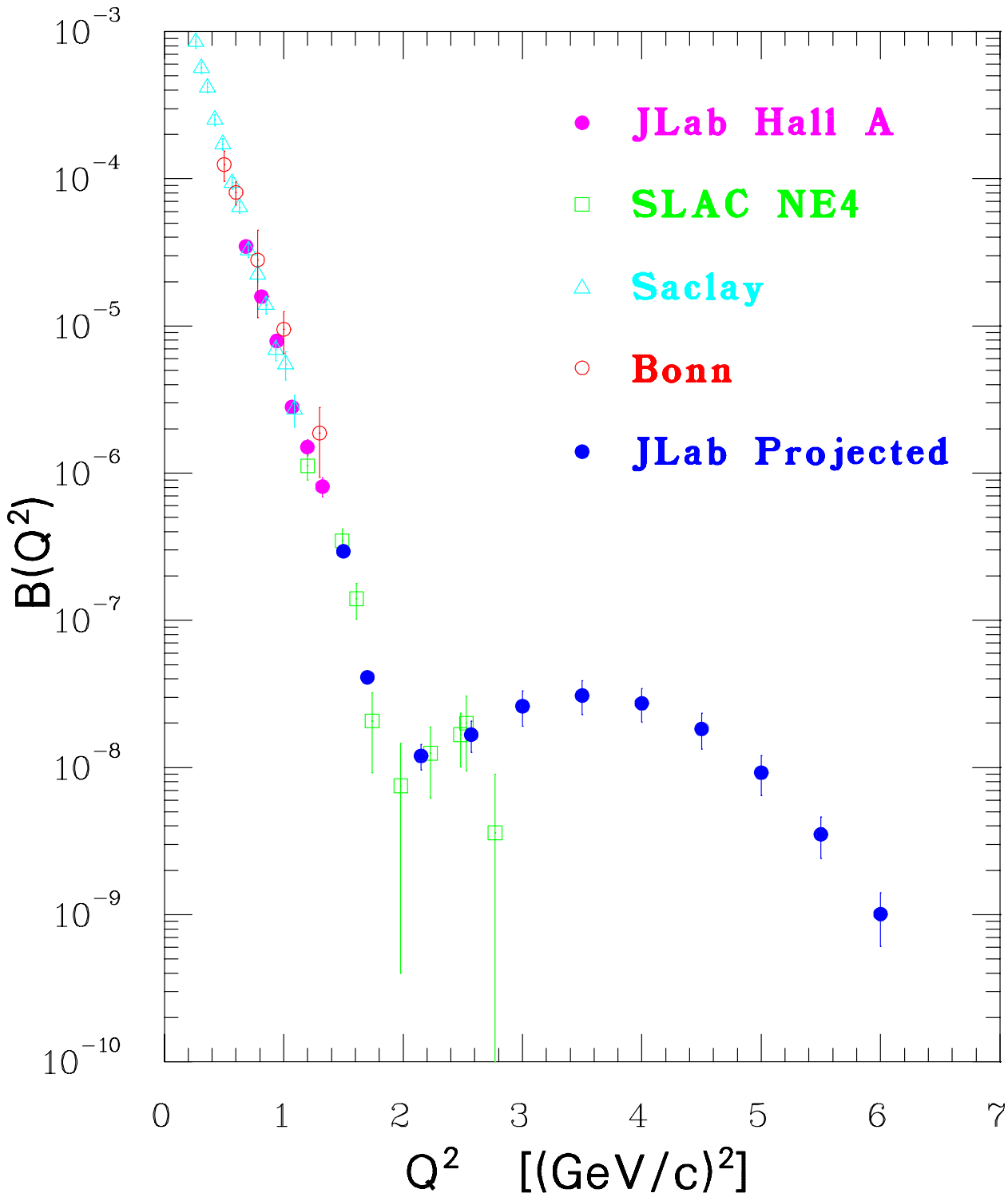
High Resolution Spectrometer
C-magnet
Electron Detectors
Hall A
Plan View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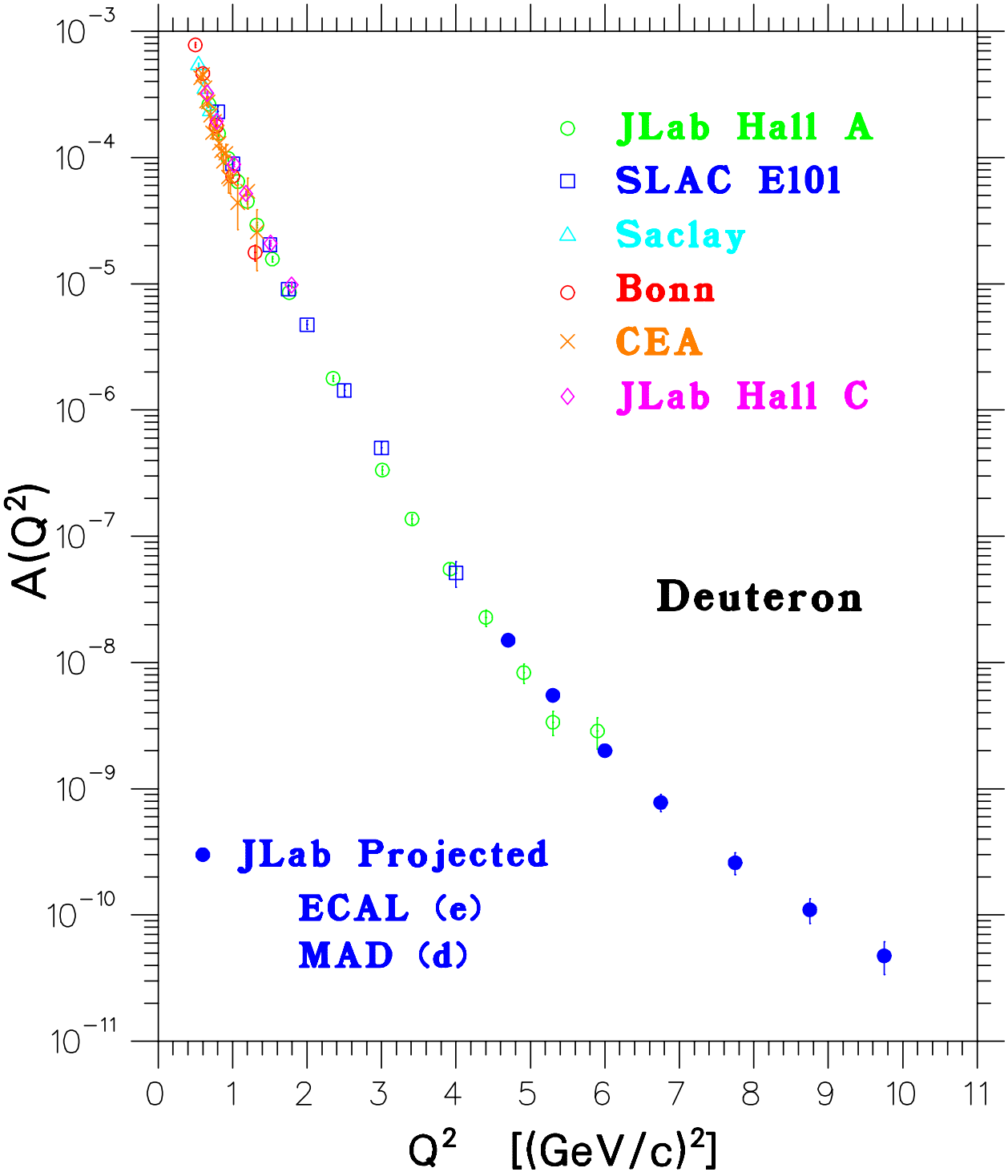
Experimental Apparatus

- Coincidence experiments
- Assume 20 cm targets and 70 μA current
- Assume one month of beam time for deuteron and one month for ^{3}He
- Scenario (1): Hall C
  - Detect electrons in SHMS
  - Detect recoil nuclei in HMS
- Scenario (2): Hall A
  - Detect electrons in electromagnetic calorimeter (ECAL)
  - Detect recoil nuclei in MAD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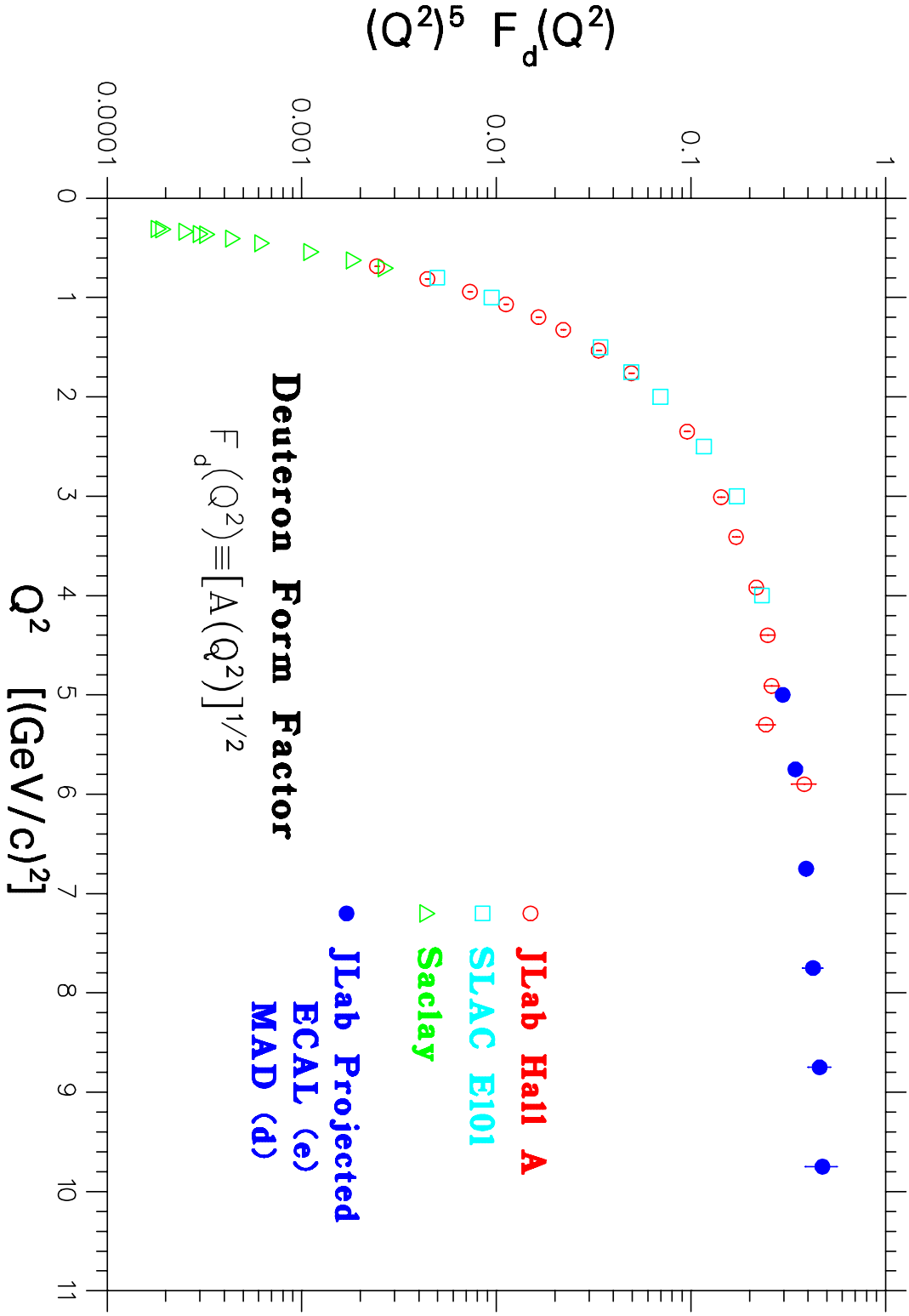
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Q^2 [(GeV/c)^2]
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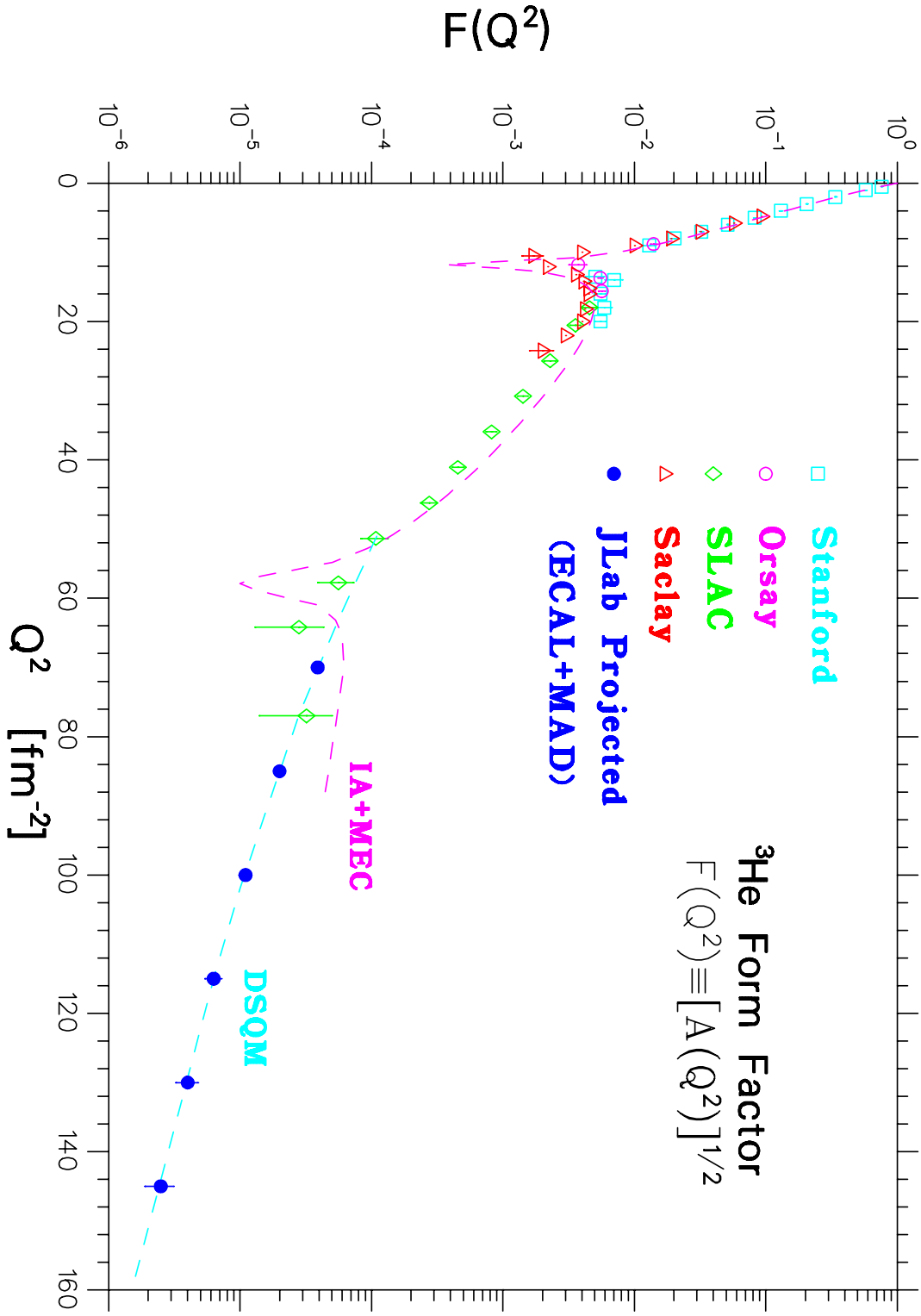
Deuteron Form Factor
$F_d(Q^2) \equiv [A(Q^2)]^{1/2}$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Elastic ^{3}H/^{3}He Comparison

- Differences
  - Target density ($F_C,\ F_M$)
  - Magnetic moment (F_M)
  - Atomic number ($F_C,\ F_M$)
  - Beam energy (F_C)
- Figure of merit for ^{3}H:
  - F_M : $\sim$ same as ^{3}He
  - F_C : $\sim 1/5$ of ^{3}He
- Luminosity is sufficient to discover the predicted second diffraction minima of F_C and F_M

Conclusions

- JLab upgrade to 12 GeV ideal to significantly extend the deuteron and ^{3}He form factors at higher Q^2
- A tritium target for DIS measurements will also provide world class data on the tritium form factors* at large Q^2
- MAD and an electromagnetic calorimeter are highly desirable for coincidence measurements
- Test limits of the standard model of the deuteron and three-body systems
- Explore a possible break-down and transition to a quark-gluon description

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