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## Form Factor Results from BLAST \*

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#### **Bates Large Acceptance Spectrometer Toroid**





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- Symmetric, large acceptance, general purpose detector
   Detection of e<sup>±</sup>, π<sup>±</sup>, p, d, n
- Longitudinally polarized electrons in storage ring (SHR) 850 MeV, 200 mA, P<sub>e</sub> = 65% (longitudinal)
- Highly polarized internal gas target of pure H and D (ABS)
   6 x 10<sup>13</sup> atoms/cm<sup>2</sup>, L = 6 x 10<sup>31</sup>/(cm<sup>2</sup>s), P<sub>H/D</sub> = 80%





#### Motivation:

Electromagnetic structure of nucleons and light nuclei with **spin-dependent electron scattering** from internal polarized targets **at low Q**<sup>2</sup>

Experimental Setup: The BLAST experiment at MIT-Bates

Preliminary Results:
 Nucleon: Elastic form factors of the proton and neutron
 Deuteron: Charge, quadrupole, and magnetic form factors

## **BLAST physics program**



Polarized **Hydrogen**  $\vec{p}(\vec{e},e')x \quad \vec{p}(\vec{e},e'p) \quad \vec{p}(\vec{e},e'p)\gamma,\pi^0 \quad \vec{p}(\vec{e},e'\pi^+)n \quad \vec{p}(\vec{\gamma},\pi^+n)$ Inclusive  $G^p_E/G^p_M \qquad N-\Delta: C2/M1 \qquad photoprod.$ 

Vector and Tensor Polarized Deuterium $\vec{d}(\vec{e},e')$  $\vec{d}(\vec{e},e'd)$  $\vec{d}(\vec{e},e'p)n$  $\vec{d}(\vec{e},e'n)p$  $\vec{d}(\vec{e},e'\pi^{\pm,0})$  $G^n_M$  $T^e_{11}$ :  $G^d_M$  $A^V_{ed}$ : L=2 $G^n_E$  $N-\Delta$ 

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#### **MIT-Bates Linear Accel. Center**





- Beam: Stored (SHR) 850 MeV, 200 mA, P<sub>e</sub> = 65%
- Detector: Bates Large Acceptance Spectrometer Toroid
- Target: Internal (ABS) 6 x 10<sup>31</sup>/(cm<sup>2</sup>s), P<sub>H/D</sub> = 80%

#### **MIT-Bates South Hall Ring**





#### **Atomic Beam Source (ABS)**





Isotopically pure H or D atoms (Vector-) polarized H Vector- and tensor-polarized D

Target thickness / luminosity Flow 2.2 x  $10^{16}$  atoms/s Density 6 x  $10^{13}$  atoms/cm<sup>2</sup> Luminosity 6 x  $10^{31}$  cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>

Target polarization 70-80%  $P_z$ ,  $P_{zz}$  from low Q<sup>2</sup> analysis



#### **Atomic Beam Source (ABS)**



ms

+1/2

-1/2



## **Target Polarization (ABS)**





#### **Vector Polarimetry**

- Quasielastic <sup>2</sup>H(e,e'p), elastic <sup>1</sup>H(e,e'p)
- Beam-target vector asymmetry A<sup>V</sup><sub>ed</sub>

$$A^{V}_{ed}(exp) = hP_z A^{V}_{ed}$$

- $| <hP_z > = 0.558 \pm 0.009$ 
  - $<h> = 0.65 \pm 0.4$
  - $\rightarrow$  <P<sub>z</sub>> = 0.86 ± 0.05



## **Target Polarization (ABS)**



#### **Tensor Polarimetry**

- Elastic <sup>2</sup>H(e,e'd)
- Target tensor asymmetry A<sup>T</sup><sub>d</sub>
- $A^{T}_{d}(exp) = P_{zz} A^{T}_{d}(th)$
- <P<sub>zz</sub>> = 0.678 ± 0.014
- However: theory error 5-10%



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## **The BLAST Detector**

- bigst
- Left-right symmetric BEAM **DRIFT CHAMBERS** TARGET Large acceptance:  $0.1 < Q^2/(GeV/c)^2 < 0.8$  $20^{\circ} < \theta < 80^{\circ}, -15^{\circ} < \phi < 15^{\circ}$ COILS **COILS**  $B_{max} = 3.8 \text{ kG}$ DRIFT CHAMBERS Tracking, PID (charge)  $\delta p/p=3\%, \delta \theta = 0.5^{\circ}$ **CERENKOV CERENKOV COUNTERS COUNTERS**  $e/\pi$  separation **SCINTILLATORS** BEAM Trigger, ToF, PID ( $\pi/p$ ) **NEUTRON COUNTERS NEUTRON COUNTERS** Neutron tracking (ToF) **SCINTILLATORS**

#### **Target Spin Orientation**







#### Solution > 3 MC accumulated charge for Hydrogen and Deuterium 2004/05

#### Hydrogen 2004

 $\theta_{d} = 47^{\circ}, 290 \text{ kC} (90 \text{ pb}^{-1})$  $P_{z} = 82\%$ 

#### Deuterium 2004

 $\theta_{d} = 32^{\circ}, 450 \text{ kC} (169 \text{ pb}^{-1})$   $P_{z} = 86\%, P_{zz} = 68\%$ 

#### Deuterium 2005 $\theta_d = 47^\circ$ , 550 kC (150 pb<sup>-1</sup>) $P_z = 73\%$ , $P_{zz} = 56\%$



## **Identification of Elastic Events**



## **Identification of Neutron Events**



- Very clean quasielastic <sup>2</sup>H(e,e'n) spectra
- Highly efficient proton veto (drift chambers + TOF)



#### **Nucleon Elastic Form Factors**



General definition of the nucleon form factor

$$egin{aligned} &\langle N(P') | oldsymbol{J}^{oldsymbol{\mu}}_{ ext{EM}}(\mathbf{0}) | N(P) 
angle = \ &ar{u}(P') \left[ \gamma^{\mu} oldsymbol{F}_1^{oldsymbol{N}}(Q^2) + i \sigma^{\mu
u} rac{q_
u}{2M} oldsymbol{F}_2^{oldsymbol{N}}(Q^2) 
ight] u(P) \end{aligned}$$

Sachs Form Factors 
$$G_E = F_1 - \tau F_2; \quad G_M = F_1 + F_2, \quad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}$$

In One-photon exchange approximation above form factors are observables of elastic electron-nucleon scattering

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{d\sigma/d\Omega}{(d\sigma/d\Omega)_{Mott}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_0} = A(Q^2) + B(Q^2)\tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}\\ &= \frac{G_E^2(Q^2) + \tau G_M^2(Q^2)}{1+\tau} + 2\tau G_M^2(Q^2)\tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}\end{aligned}$$

## **Nucleon Elastic Form Factors**



- Double polarization in elastic ep scattering: Recoil polarization or polarized target
   <sup>1</sup>H(e,e'p), <sup>1</sup>H(e,e'p)
- Polarized cross section  $\sigma = \sigma_0 \left(1 + P_e P_t A\right)$
- Double spin asymmetry

$$-\sigma_0 \cdot A = \sqrt{2\tau\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \boldsymbol{G_E} \boldsymbol{G_M} \tilde{P}_x + \tau \sqrt{1-\epsilon^2} \boldsymbol{G_M}^2 \tilde{P}_z$$

Asymmetry ratio ("Super ratio")

$$rac{A_{\perp}}{A_{\parallel}} \propto rac{G_E}{G_M}$$

independent of polarization or analyzing power





## **Nucleon Form Factors at Low Q<sup>2</sup>**



# Proton

# **Proton Form Factor Ratio** μ<sub>p</sub>**G**<sup>p</sup><sub>E</sub>/**G**<sup>p</sup><sup>\*</sup><sub>M</sub>



μ<sub>p</sub>G<sup>p</sup><sub>E</sub>/G<sup>p</sup><sub>M</sub> fixitin BLoASTp(plefärätecht(arget)ed) versus unpolarized (grey) \*Ph.D. work of C. Crawford (MIT) and A. Sindile (UNH)

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# Separate Form Factors G<sup>p</sup><sub>E</sub> and G<sup>p</sup><sup>\*</sup><sub>M</sub>

World data (Rosenbluth Q<sup>2</sup> < 1.0 GeV<sup>2</sup>/c<sup>2</sup>) +  $\mu_p G^p_E/G^p_M$  + BLAST



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# Neutron



$$A_{ed}^{V} = \frac{a G_{M}^{n} c^{2} \cos \theta^{*} + b G_{E}^{n} G_{M}^{n} \sin \theta^{*} \cos \phi^{*}}{c G_{E}^{n} c^{2} + G_{M}^{n} c^{2}} \approx a \cos \theta^{*} + b \frac{G_{E}^{n}}{G_{M}^{n}} \sin \theta^{*} \cos \phi^{*}$$

- Quasielastic <sup>2</sup>H(e,e'n)
- Full Montecarlo simulation of the BLAST experiment
- Deuteron electrodisintegration by H. Arenhövel
- Accounted for FSI,MEC,RC,IC
- Spin-perpendicular beam-target vector asymmetry A<sup>V</sup><sub>ed</sub> shows high sensitivity to G<sup>n</sup><sub>E</sub>
- Compare measured A<sup>V</sup><sub>ed</sub> with BLASTMC, vary G<sup>n</sup><sub>E</sub>



## **Neutron Electric Form Factor G<sup>n</sup>**<sup>\*</sup>



 G<sup>n</sup><sub>E</sub> world data from double pol. Experiments

Including BLAST 2004

■ BLAST fit  $< r_n^2 > = -0.115 \text{ fm}^2$  $\rightarrow$  Pion cloud effect?

- Theoretical models
- Dispersion theory

**Neutron Electric Form Factor G<sup>n</sup>**<sup>\*</sup>

Charge form factor  $\leftrightarrow$  Charge Distribution



\*Ph.D. work of V. Ziskin (MIT) and E. Geis (ASU)

# Neutron Magnetic Form Factor G<sup>n</sup><sub>M</sub>



#### Pre-polarization era

 G<sup>n</sup><sub>M</sub> world data from unpolarized experiments

Cross section ratio

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# Extraction of G<sup>n</sup><sub>M</sub>



- Quasielastic <sup>2</sup>H(e,e') inclusive
- Full Montecarlo simulation of the BLAST experiment
- Deuteron electrodisintegration by H. Arenhövel
- Accounted for FSI,MEC,RC,IC
- Beam-target vector asymmetry
   A<sup>v</sup><sub>ed</sub> spin-parallel + perpendicular show sensitivity to G<sup>n</sup><sub>M</sub>

PWIA:  

$$\begin{split} A_{\perp} \approx \frac{c \left(G_E^p / G_M^p\right)}{a + b \left(1 + \left(G_M^n / G_M^p\right)^2\right)} \\ A_{\parallel} \approx \frac{d \left(1 + \left(G_M^n / G_M^p\right)^2\right)}{a + b \left(1 + \left(G_M^n / G_M^p\right)^2\right)} \end{split}$$



## Extraction of G<sup>n</sup><sub>M</sub>





Enhanced sensitivity in super ratio Independent of polarization



# Neutron Magnetic Form Factor G<sup>n</sup><sup>\*</sup><sub>M</sub>



#### \*Ph.D. work of N. Meitanis (MIT)

# Deuteron

## **Elastic Electron-Deuteron Scattering**

- Spin 1 ↔ three elastic form factors G<sup>d</sup><sub>C</sub>, G<sup>d</sup><sub>Q</sub>, G<sup>d</sup><sub>M</sub>
- Quadrupole moment  $Q_d = G^d_Q(0) = 25.83$
- **G**<sup>d</sup><sub>Q</sub>  $\leftrightarrow$  Tensor force, D-wave



Unpolarized cross section

 $\begin{aligned} \sigma_0 &= \sigma_{\text{Mott}} \left( A + B \tan^2 \left( \theta_e / 2 \right) \right) := \sigma_{\text{Mott}} S_0 \\ A(Q^2) &= G_C^{d^{-2}} + \frac{8}{9} \eta^2 G_Q^{d^{-2}} + \frac{2}{3} \eta (1 + \eta) G_M^{d^{-2}} \\ B(Q^2) &= \frac{4}{3} \eta (1 + \eta)^2 G_M^{d^{-2}}; \quad \eta = Q^2 / (4M_D^2) \end{aligned}$ 

Polarized cross section

$$\sigma = \sigma_0 \left( 1 + P_{zz} A_d^T + h P_z A_{ed}^V \right)$$

## **Tensor-pol. Elastic ed Scattering**



Tensor asymmetry and tensor analyzing powers

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{A}_{d}^{T} &= \frac{3}{2} \left( \cos^{2} \theta_{d} - 1 \right) \boldsymbol{T}_{20} - \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \sin 2\theta_{d} \cos \phi_{d} \boldsymbol{T}_{21} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \sin^{2} \theta_{d} \cos 2\phi_{d} \boldsymbol{T}_{22} \\ \boldsymbol{T}_{20}(\boldsymbol{Q}^{2}, \theta_{e}) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}S_{0}} \left[ \frac{8}{3} \eta \, \boldsymbol{G}_{C}^{d} \boldsymbol{G}_{Q}^{d} + \frac{8}{9} \eta^{2} \boldsymbol{G}_{Q}^{d^{2}} + \frac{1}{3} \eta \left( 1 + 2 \left( 1 + \eta \right) \tan^{2} \frac{\theta_{e}}{2} \right) \boldsymbol{G}_{M}^{d^{-2}} \right] \\ \boldsymbol{T}_{21}(\boldsymbol{Q}^{2}, \theta_{e}) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}S_{0}} 2\eta \sqrt{\eta + \eta^{2} \sin^{2} \frac{\theta_{e}}{2}} \sec \frac{\theta_{e}}{2} \, \boldsymbol{G}_{M}^{d} \boldsymbol{G}_{Q}^{d}} \\ \boldsymbol{T}_{22}(\boldsymbol{Q}^{2}, \theta_{e}) &= -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}S_{0}} \eta \, \boldsymbol{G}_{M}^{d^{-2}} \end{split}$$

T<sub>20</sub> dominant, T<sub>21</sub> significant, T<sub>22</sub> small

Global fit analysis to determine G<sup>d</sup><sub>c</sub>, G<sup>d</sup><sub>Q</sub> and G<sup>d</sup><sub>M</sub> from world data + BLAST

## **Tensor Analyzing Power T<sub>20</sub>**



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## **Tensor Analyzing Power T<sub>21</sub>**



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#### A and B





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# $G_{c}$ and $G_{Q}^{*}$





## **Vector-pol. Elastic ed Scattering**



$$egin{split} m{A}_{ed}^{V} &= \sqrt{3} \left( rac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos heta_{d} \, m{T}_{10}^{e} - \sin heta_{d} \cos \phi_{d} \, m{T}_{11}^{e} 
ight) \ m{T}_{10}^{e}(m{Q}^{2},m{ heta}_{e}) &= -rac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}S_{0}} \eta \, \sqrt{(1+\eta) \left(1+\eta \sin^{2} rac{ heta_{e}}{2}
ight)} \sec rac{ heta_{e}}{2} an rac{ heta_{e}}{2} \, m{G}_{M}^{d} \, m{2} \ m{T}_{11}^{e}(m{Q}^{2},m{ heta}_{e}) &= rac{2}{\sqrt{3}S_{0}} \eta \, \sqrt{(1+\eta) \left(1+\eta \sin^{2} rac{ heta_{e}}{2}
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ight) \end{split}$$

T<sup>e</sup><sub>10</sub> small, T<sup>e</sup><sub>11</sub> dominant

Determine G<sup>d</sup><sub>M</sub> at low Q<sup>2</sup> from T<sup>e</sup><sub>11</sub>, T<sub>20</sub> and world data on A(Q<sup>2</sup>)

$$G_M^d = rac{\sqrt{3} S_0 \, T_{11}^e}{2 \sqrt{\eta \left(1+\eta
ight)} an rac{ heta_e}{2} \left(G_C^d + rac{1}{3} \eta \, G_Q^d
ight)}$$

# Vect. Anal. Powers Te<sub>10</sub>, Te<sub>11</sub>, and G<sup>d</sup><sup>\*</sup>



\*Ph.D. work of P. Karpius (UNH)

## Summary



- Proton, neutron, and deuteron spin observables with BLAST
- High precision, low systematics
- Nucleon structure:
  - □ Consistent and precise determination of elastic nucleon form factors at low momentum transfer → Evidence for structure at low Q2

#### Deuteron structure:

- Precision measurement of T<sub>20</sub> allows to separate G<sup>d</sup><sub>c</sub> and G<sup>d</sup><sub>Q</sub>
- □ First measurement of Te<sub>11</sub> allows to determine Gd<sub>M</sub> at low Q<sup>2</sup>
- More reaction channels being analyzed (quasielastic, inelastic)
- Expect first publications soon