Positron beams and Two-photon-exchange: The key to precision form factors

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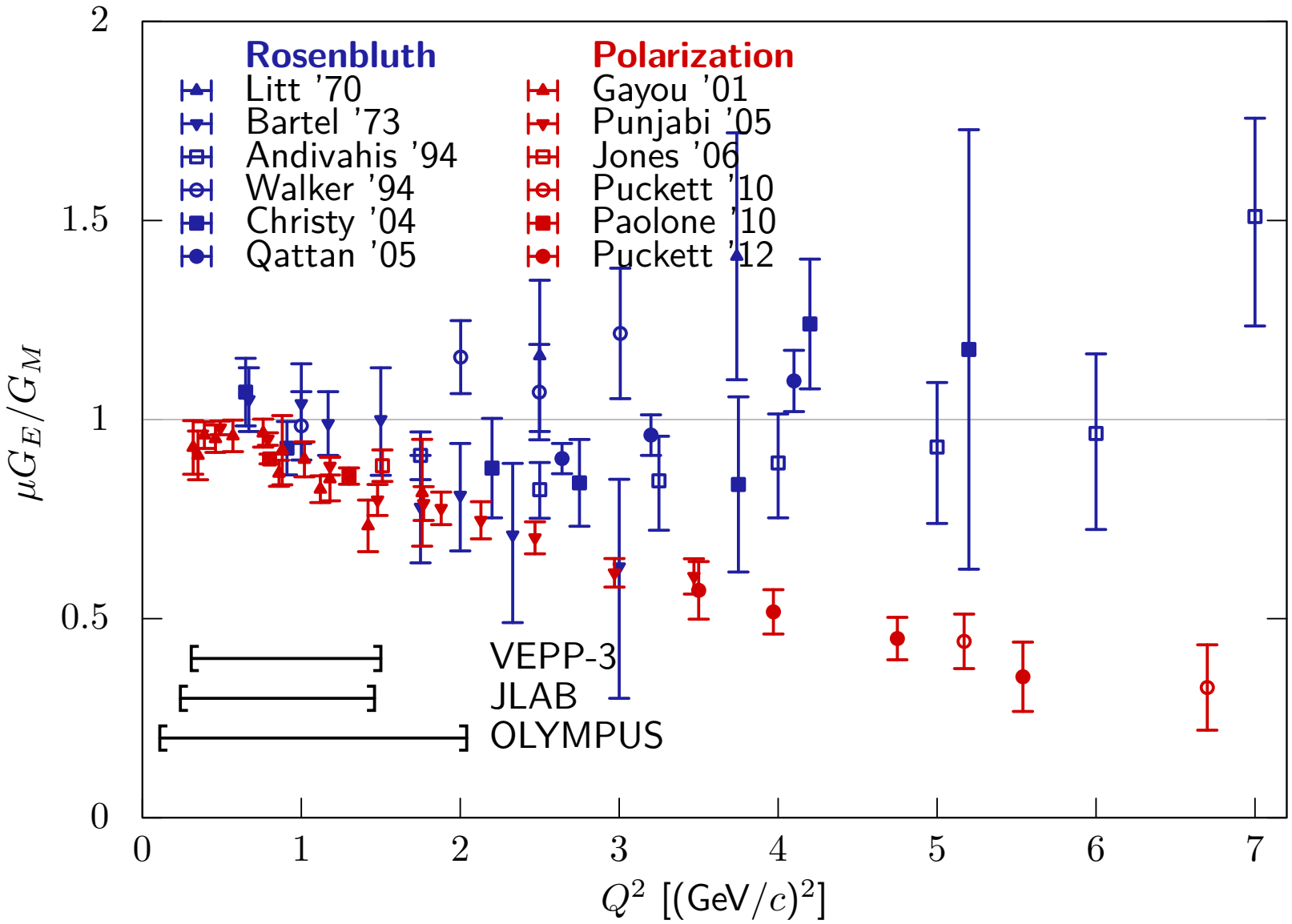

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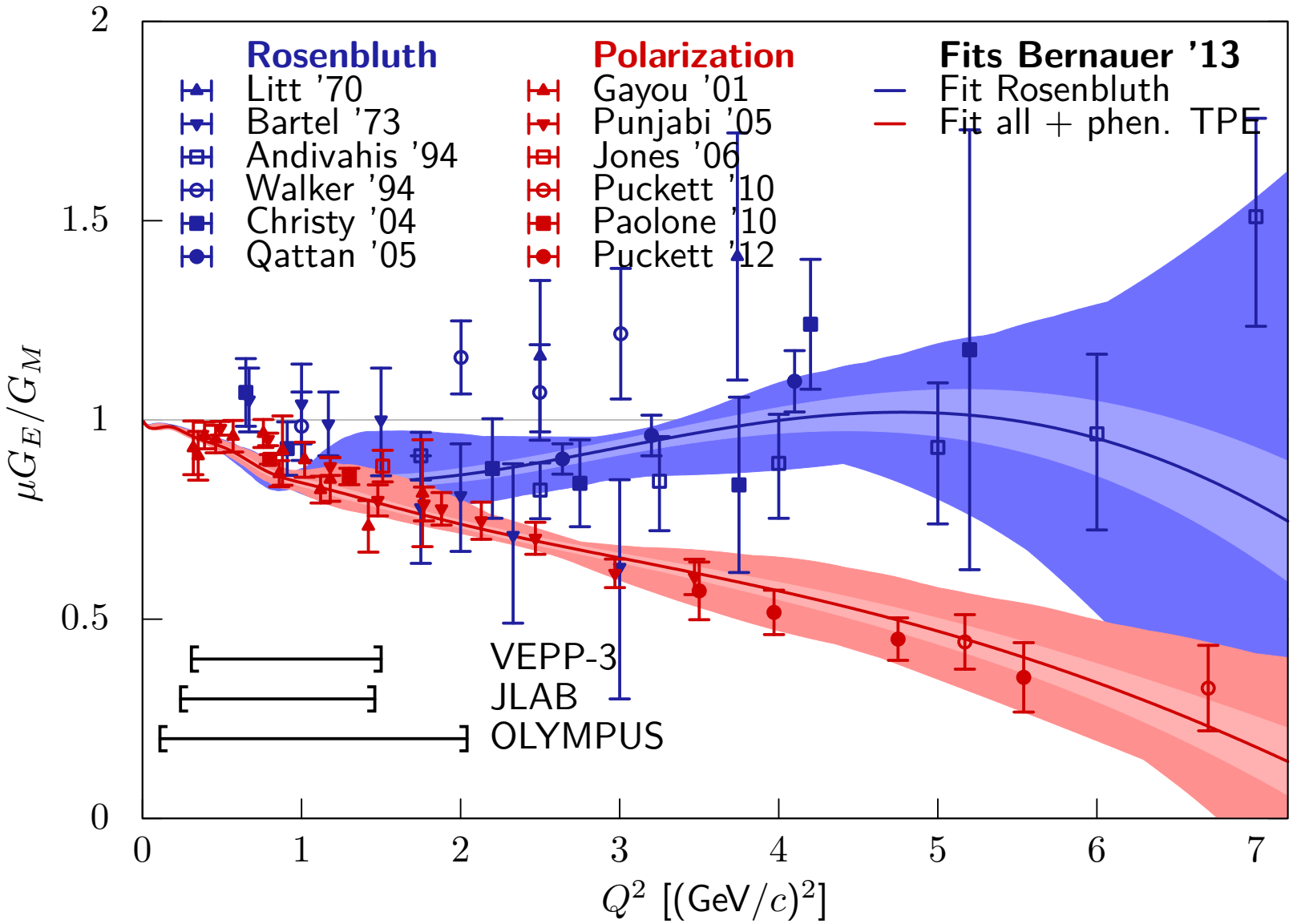


Direct measurement: Three modern experiments

CLAS

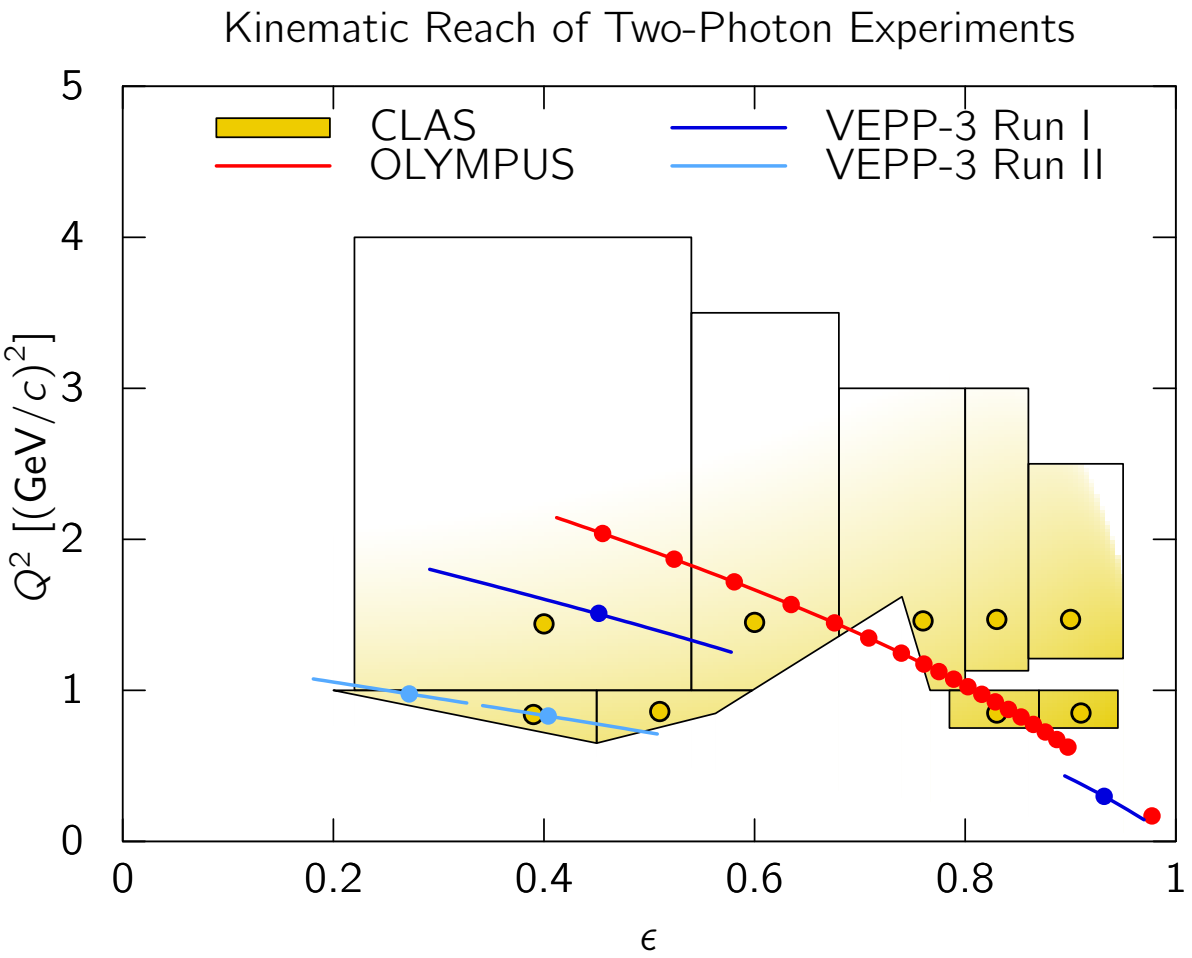
- e^- to γ to $e^{+/-}$ -beam
- Phys. Rev. C 95, 065201 (2017)
- PRL 114, 062003

VEPP-3

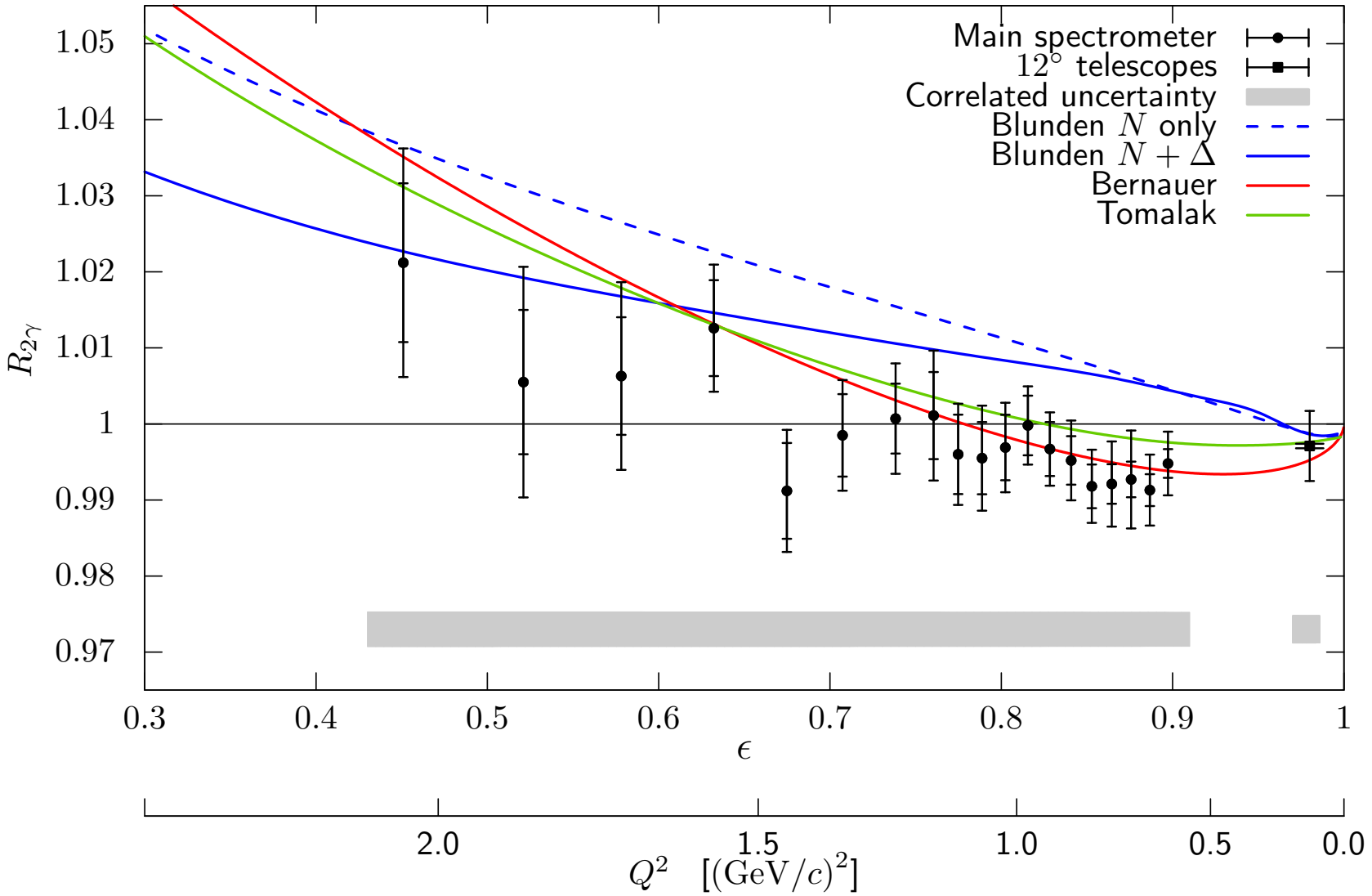
- 1.6/1 GeV beam
- no field
- Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 062005 (2015)

OLYMPUS

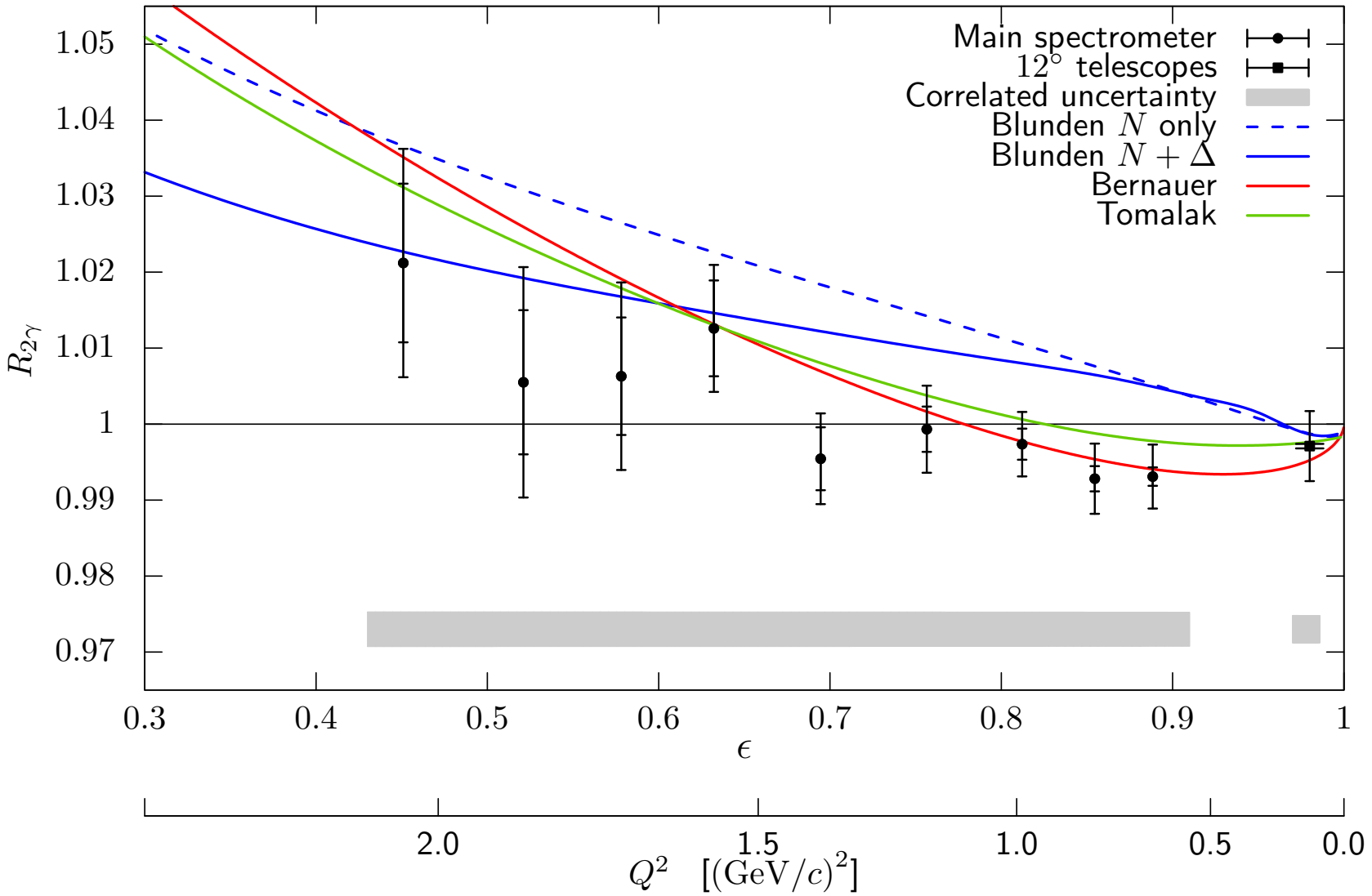
- DORIS @ DESY
- 2 GeV beam
- Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, 092501 (2017)



OLYMPUS results (B. Henderson et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, 092501 (2017))



OLYMPUS results re-binned



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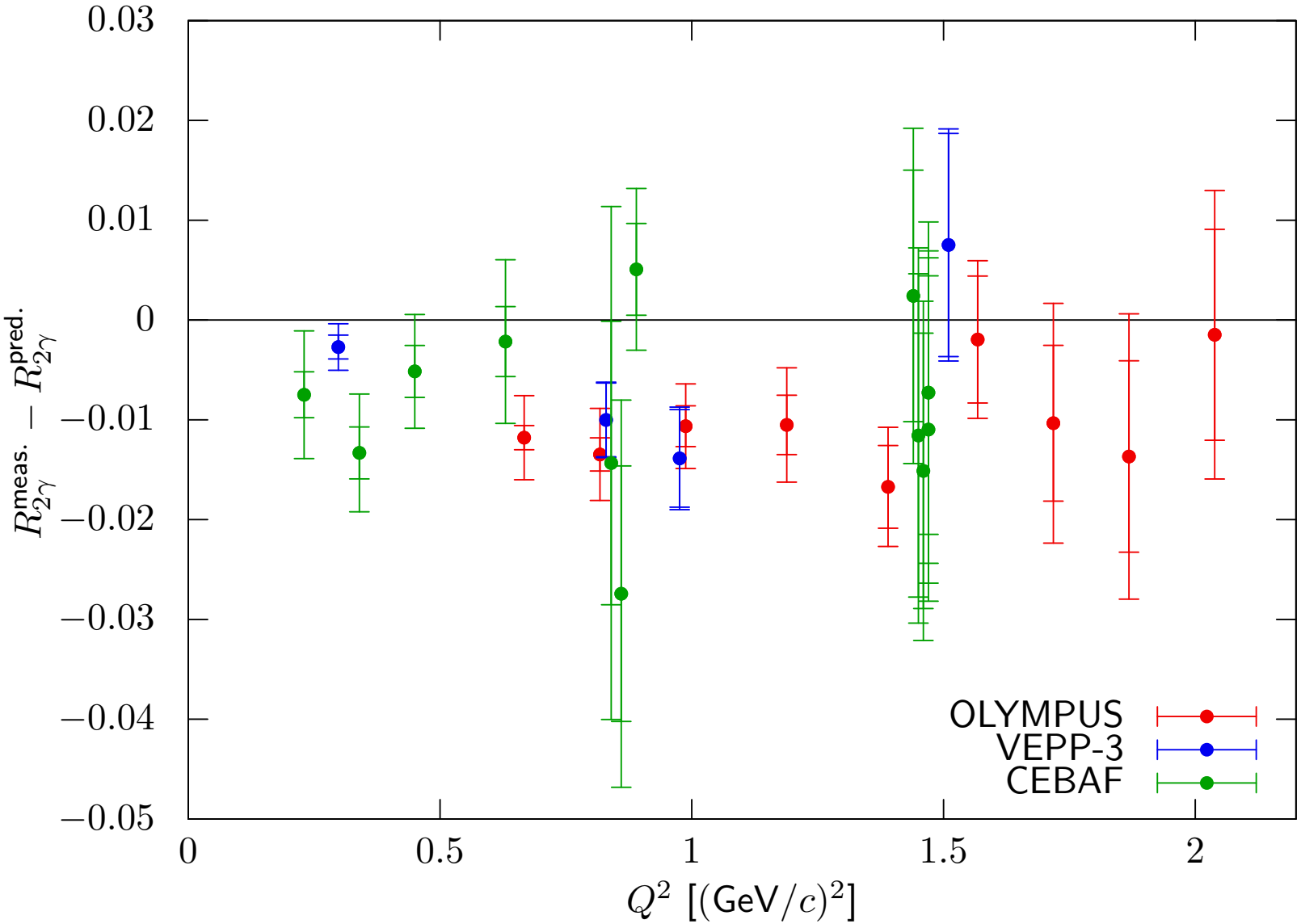

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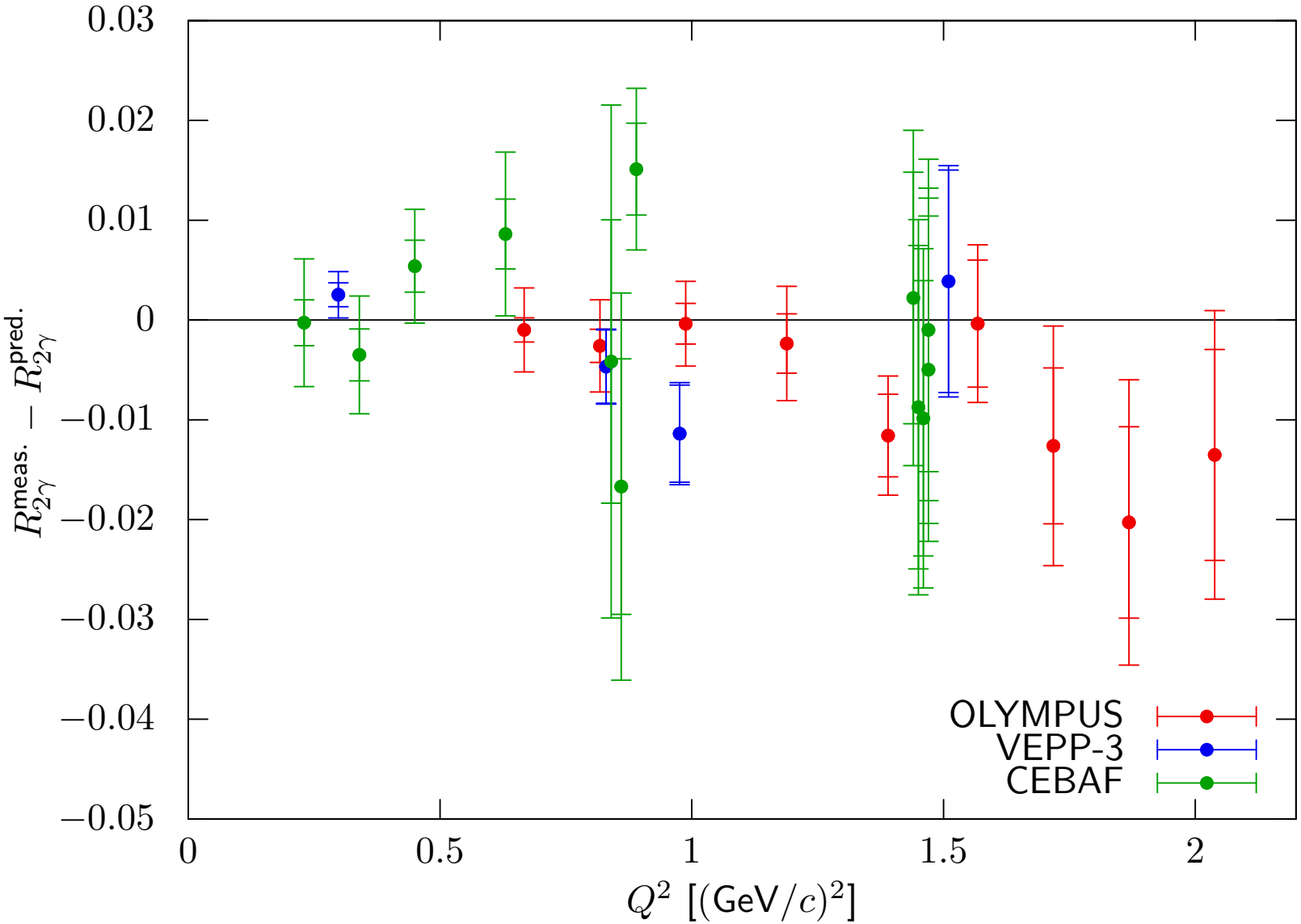

χ^2 of the world data set

	VEPP-3	CLAS		OLYMPUS		World
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No hard TPE	7.97	0.84	0.43σ	0.65	0.75σ	1.53
Blunden	4.01	0.70	1.23σ	0.73	2.14σ	1.088
Bernauer	1.95	0.58	-0.40σ	0.49	0.45σ	0.679

- CLAS and OLYMPUS have too large errors
- Vepp-3 rules out no hard TPE
- Blunden et al get slope right, but large normalization shifts.
  - Probability for worse shift in same direction: < 0.4%
- Phenomenological fit clearly prefered by all three experiments

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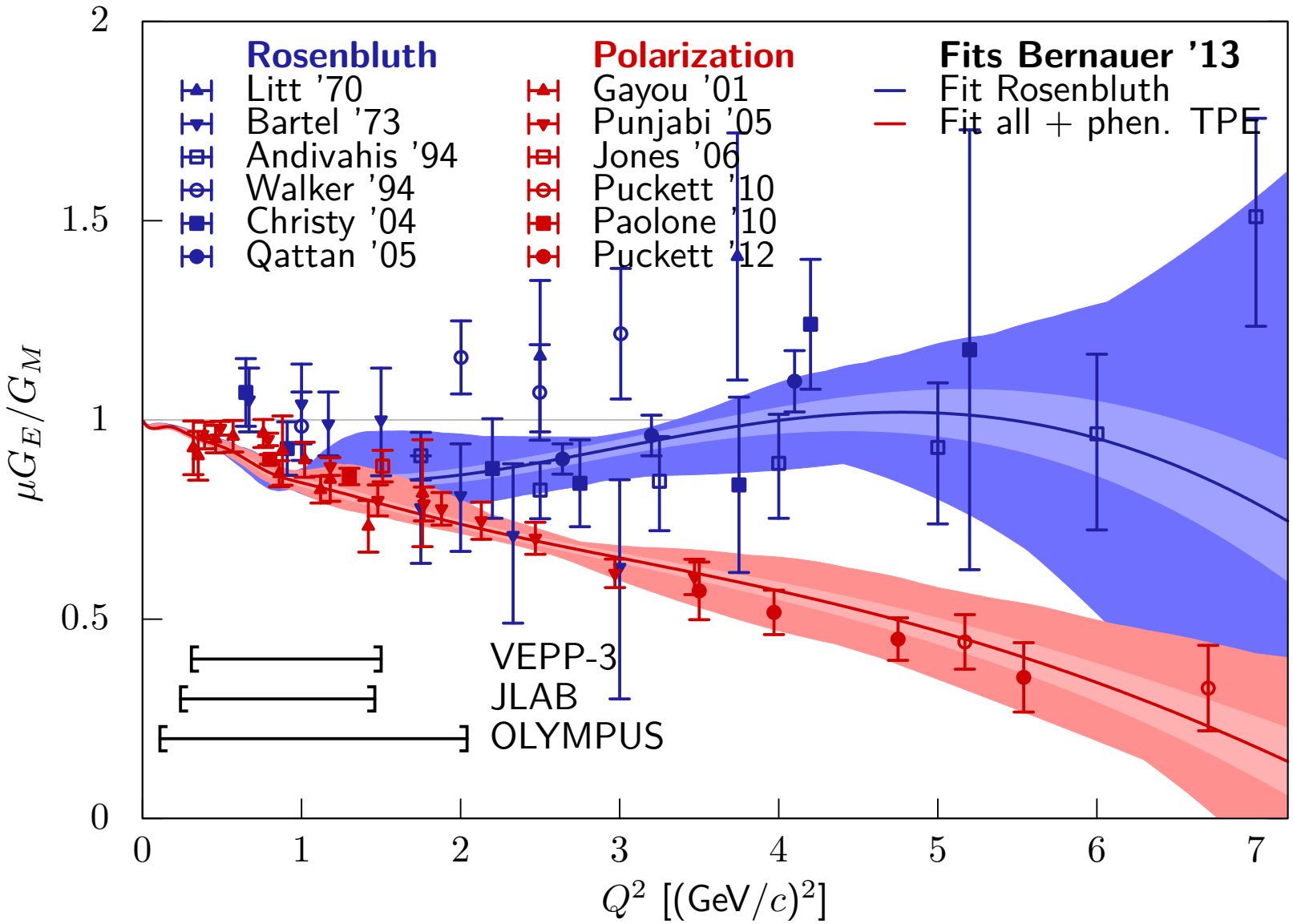

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  - We can only expect weak dependence on Q^2 $\Longrightarrow$Logarithmic dependence in Mainz fit, many calculations

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$$FOM = \frac{\left|R_{2\gamma} - 1\right|}{\sqrt{\Delta^2_{stat} + \Delta^2_{syst}}}$$

- Statistical error: $\Delta_{stat} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\sigma \times L \times t \times A}}$
- Systematical error: $\Delta_{syst} = 1\%$

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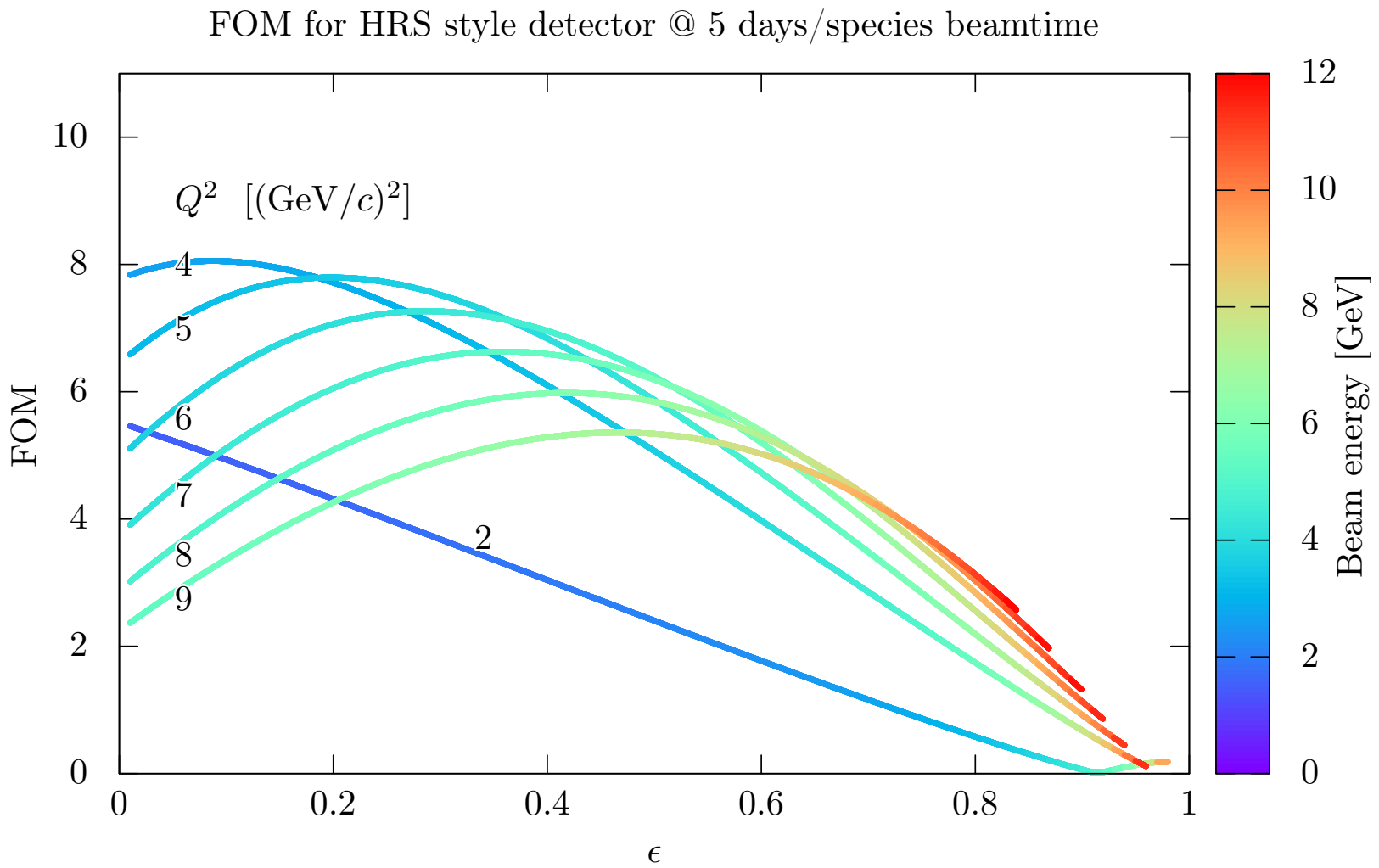
  - However: small time window: PETRA 3 will run with electrons only!

Jefferson Lab

- Assume $1\mu A$ positron/electron beam on 10 cm target $\Longrightarrow L = 2.6 \cdot 10^{36}/(cm^2 s)$
- Acceptance: 6 msr

JLab @ 5 days per species



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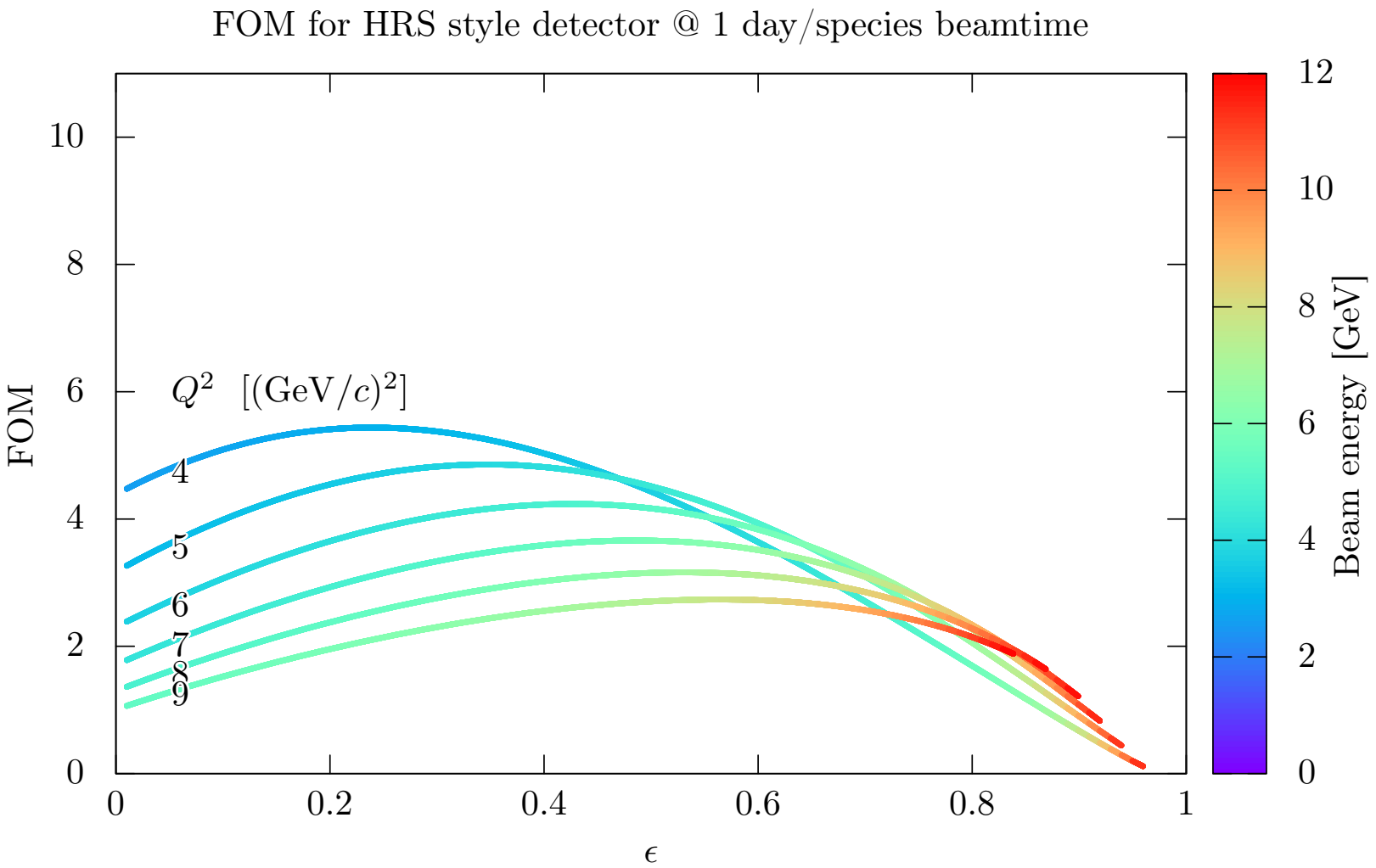

JLab BigBite

- 96 msr!
- But limited momentum acceptance.
- Limits angle $> 70 - 90^{\circ}$

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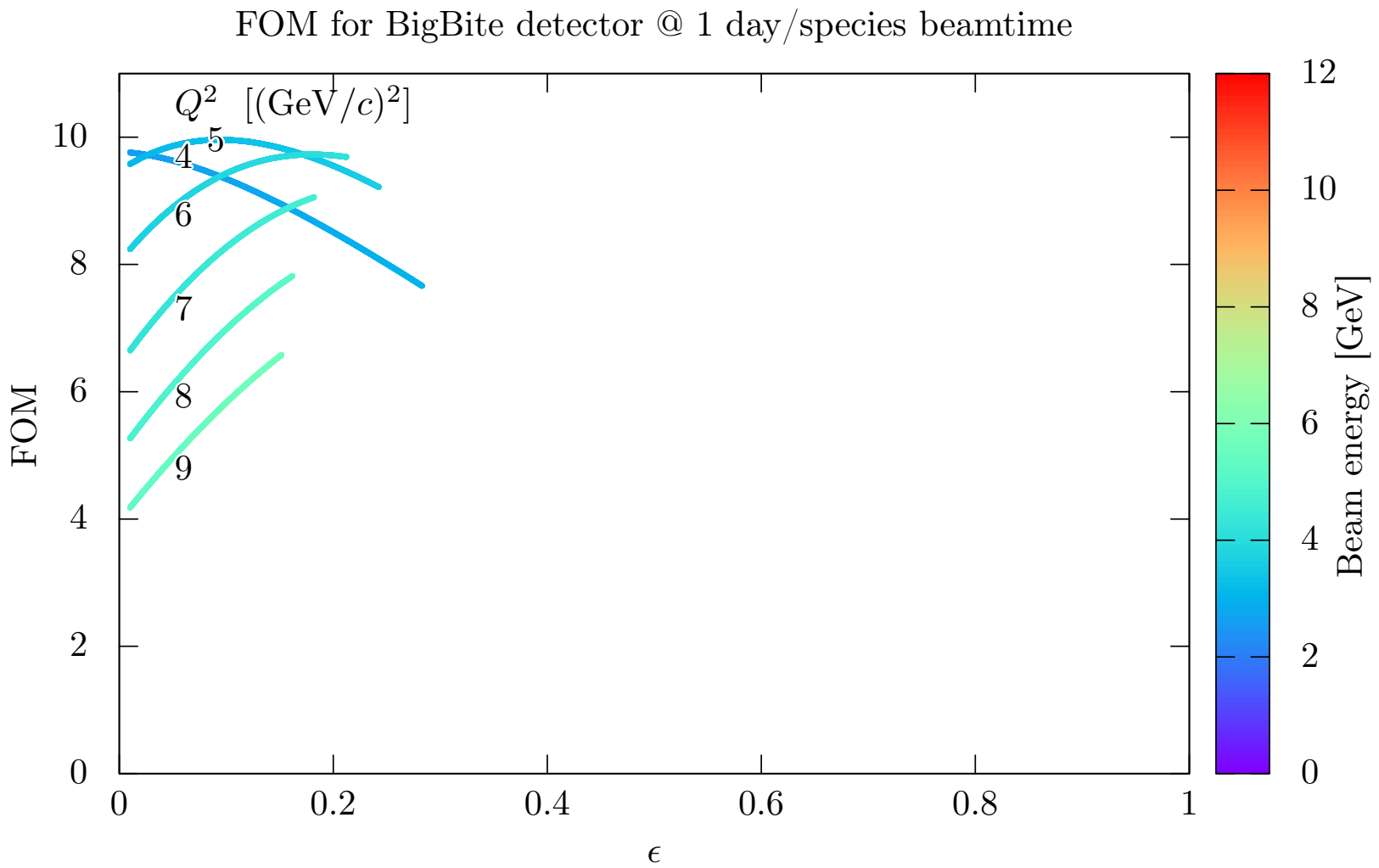
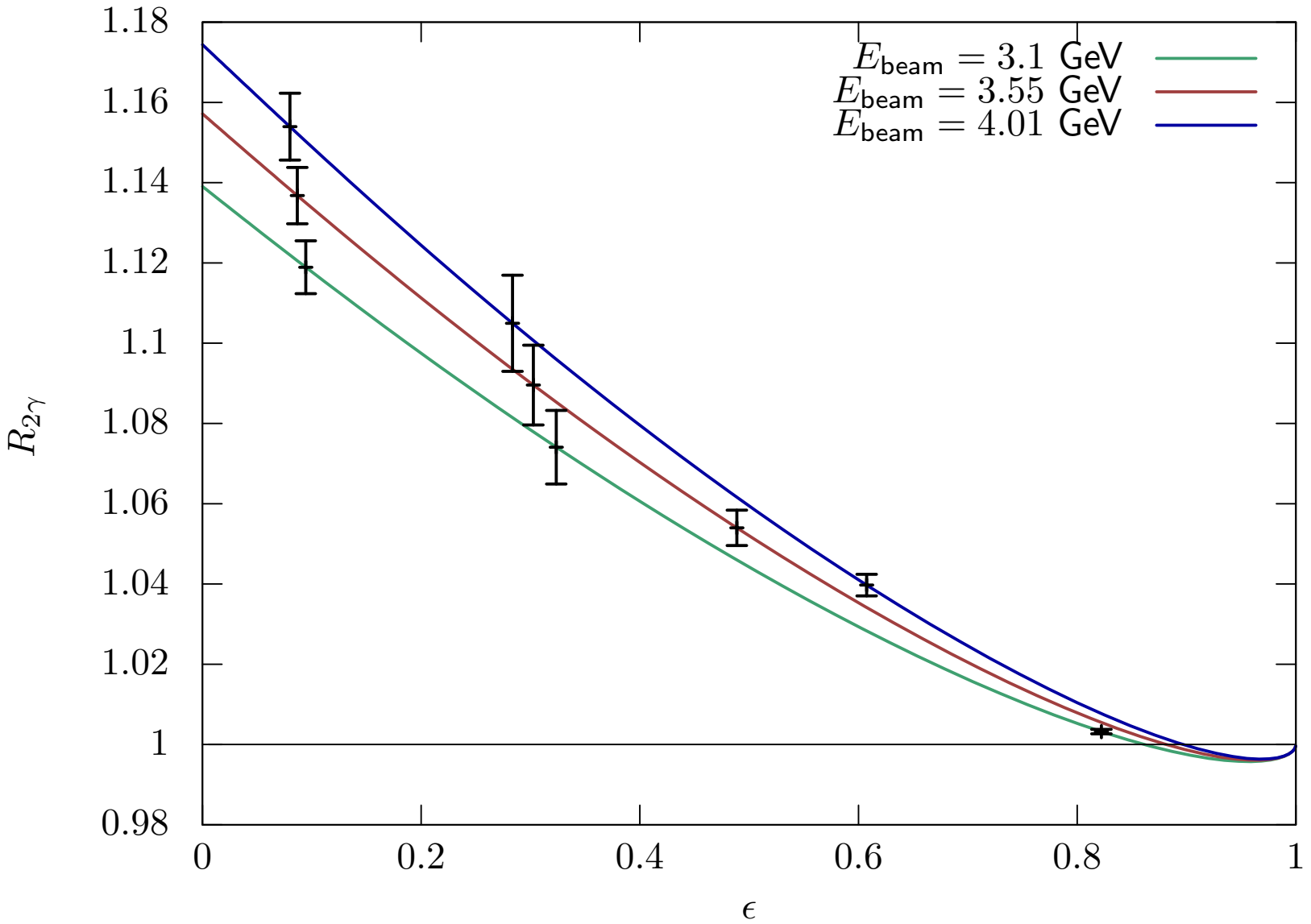


Hall A

- 10 cm target
- two spectrometers, 6.7 msr
- BigBite, 96 msr
- runtime with 100% efficiency

E_{beam}	3.1	3.55	4.01
Angles	30/70/110	52.7/70/110	42.55/70/110
Q^2	1.79/3.99/4.75	3.99/4.75/5.56	3.99/5.55/6.4
ϵ	0.822/0.32/0.1	0.49/0.3/0.09	0.6/0.28/0.08
Time	1 day	2 days	3 days

Hall A projected errors



Hall C

- 10 cm target for HMS, SHMS
- HMS: 6 msr (e^-), SHMS 4 msr (proton)
- runtime with 100% efficiency

E_{beam}	3.1	3.55	4.01
Angles	79.7/7.64 (120)	70/9.95 (100)	18/16.57 (65)
Q^2	4.25/4.84	4.76/5.43	1.3/5.35
ϵ	0.244/0.06	0.302/0.122	0.935/0.33
Time	3 days	2 days	1 days

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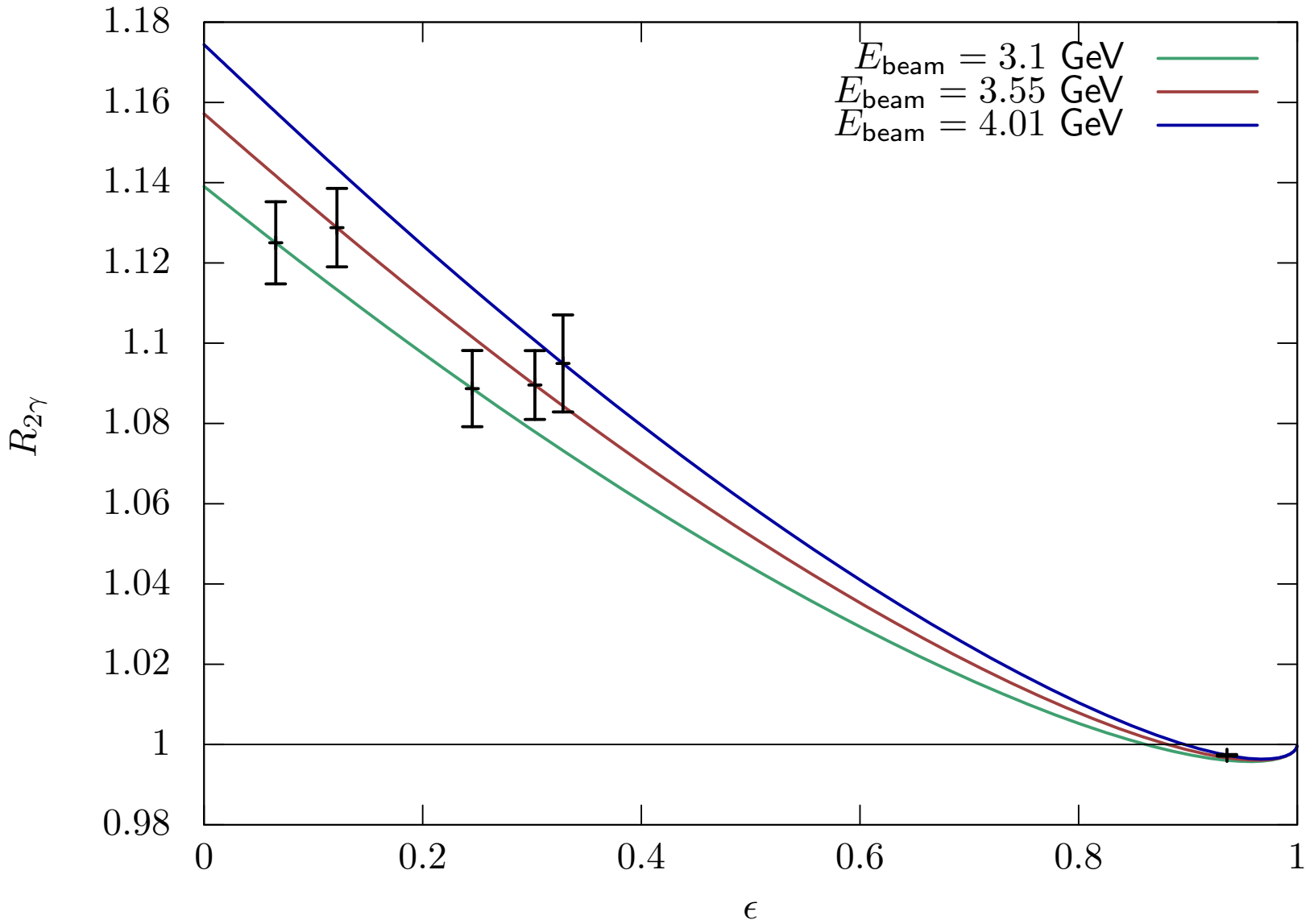
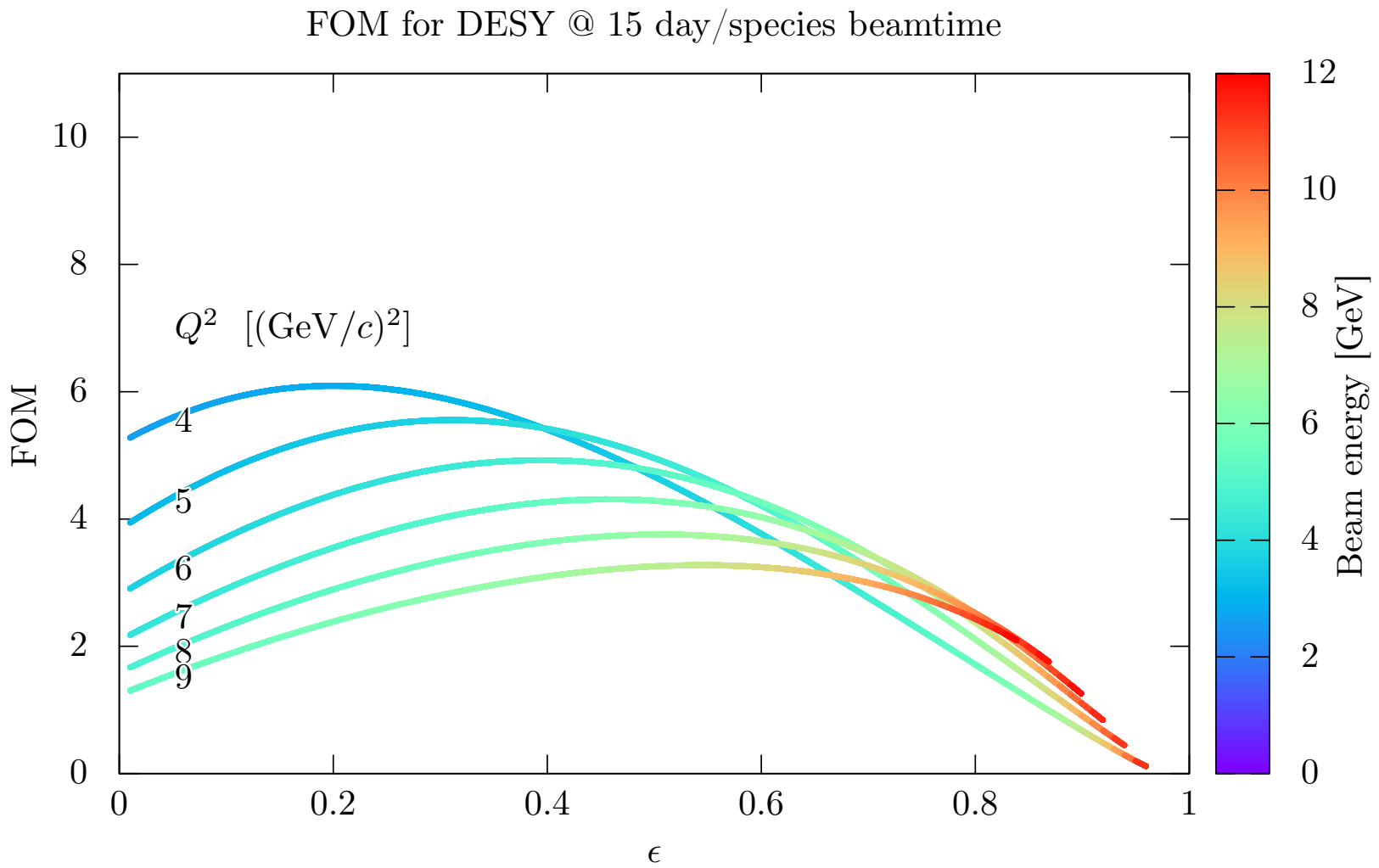


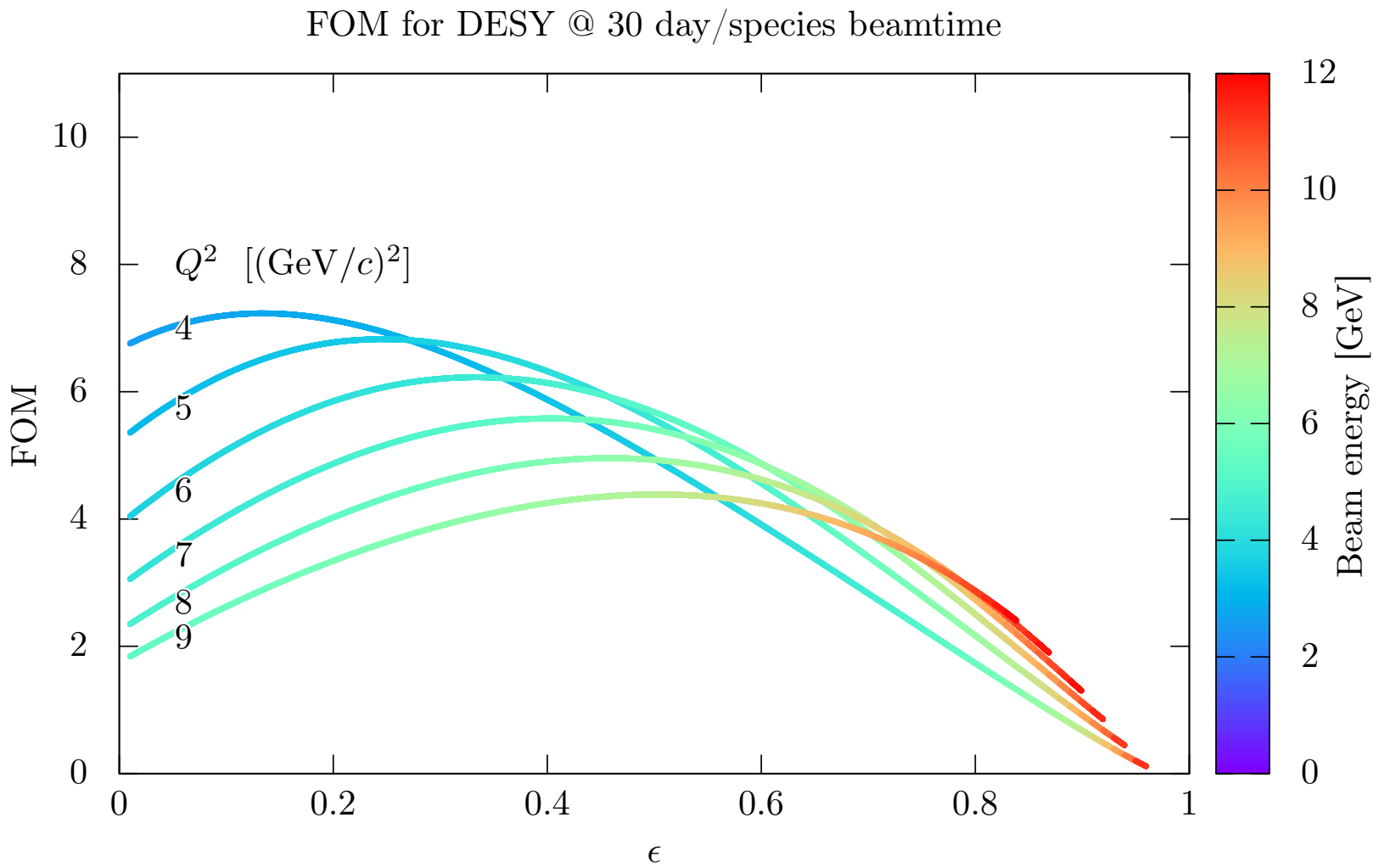
DESY

- DESY might have a test beam facility with positron/electron beams.
- Current: 60 nA (single bunch, maybe can do more?)
- Short window of opportunity: PETRA 3 might stop positron running.
- Target: Borrow from Mainz?
- Detector: Borrow something developed for Panda? Calorimeter? Assume 10 msr

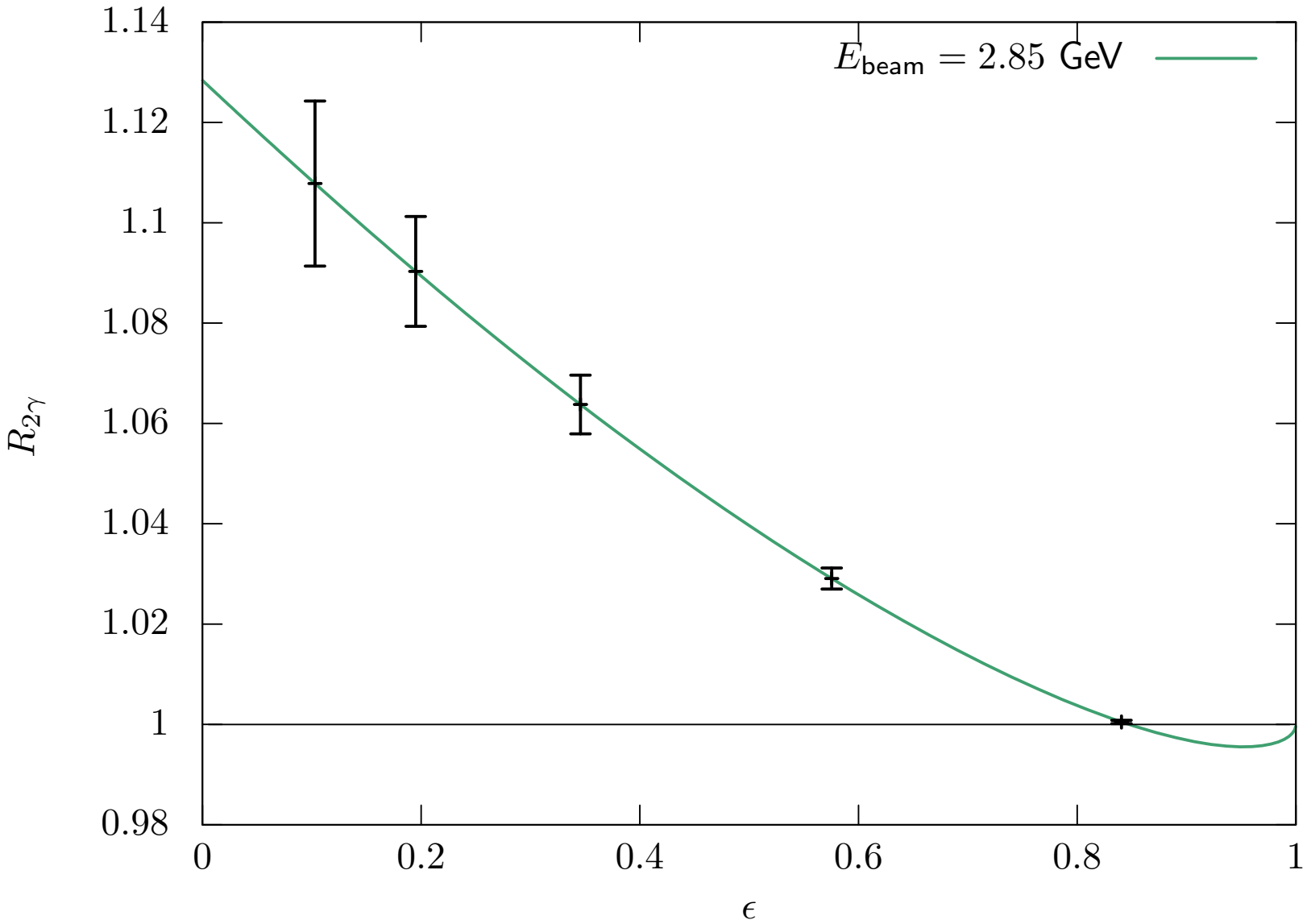
DESY @ 15 days per species



DESY @ 30 days per species



DESY projected errors (15 days per species)



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This is the trickiest part!

Things I didn't talk about

- CLAS12
  - What energy resolution can be achieved? Radiative corrections might be tricky.
- Low-Q^2 measurements
  - Strong dependence of extracted magnetic radius on TPE calculation
  - (probably less relevant for proton electric radius)
- Polarization experiments
  - See Axel's talk

Conclusion

- New measurements crucial for understanding form factors at large Q^2
- Effect in G_E/G_M grows ~linearly $\rightarrow$ weak Q^2 dependence of TPE
- Measure at relevant Q^2, and small ϵ!
- Straight forward measurement at Jefferson Lab. But when?
- Doable at DESY, but tight time line