

Inclusive electron scattering in the resonance region

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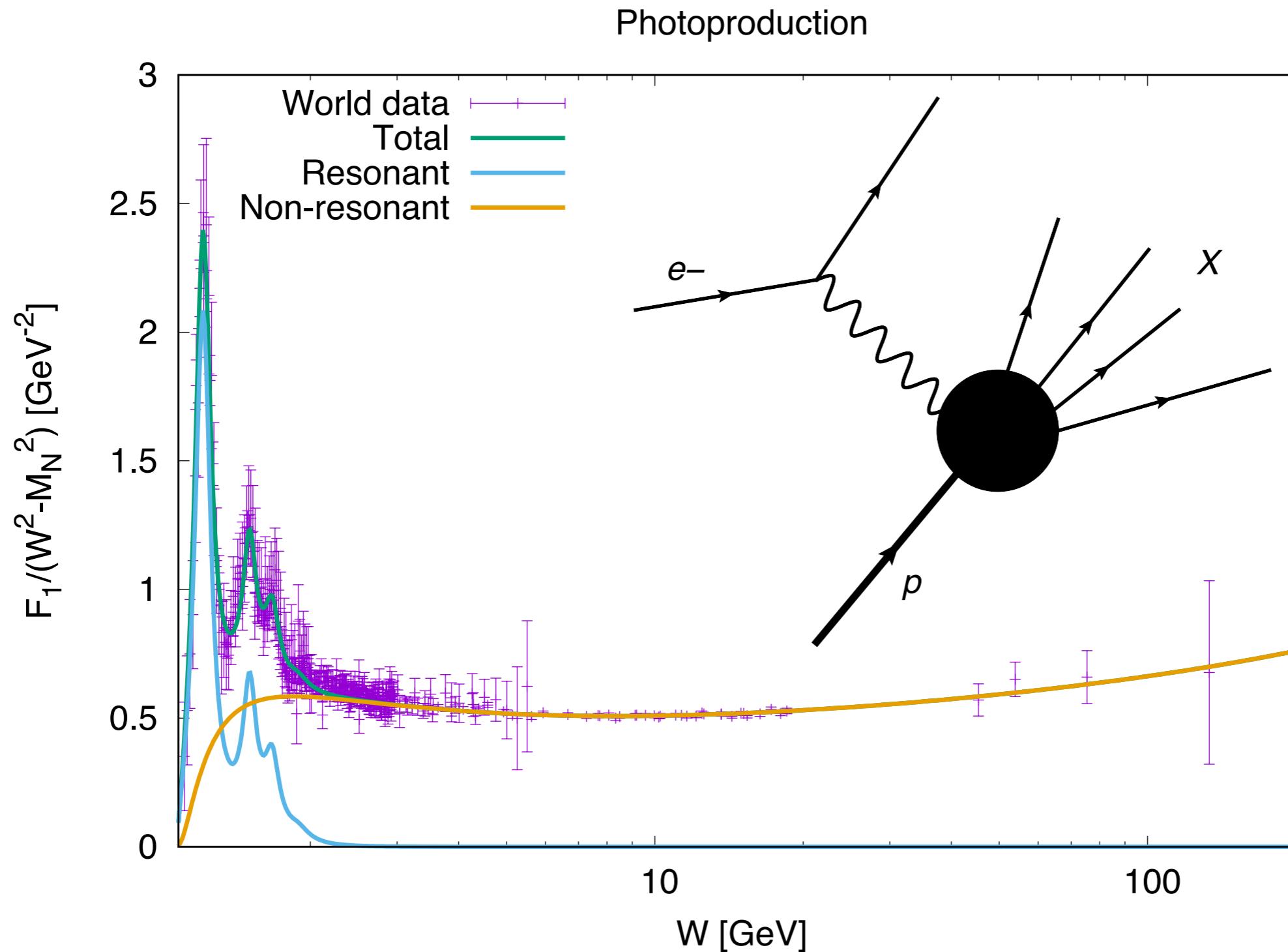


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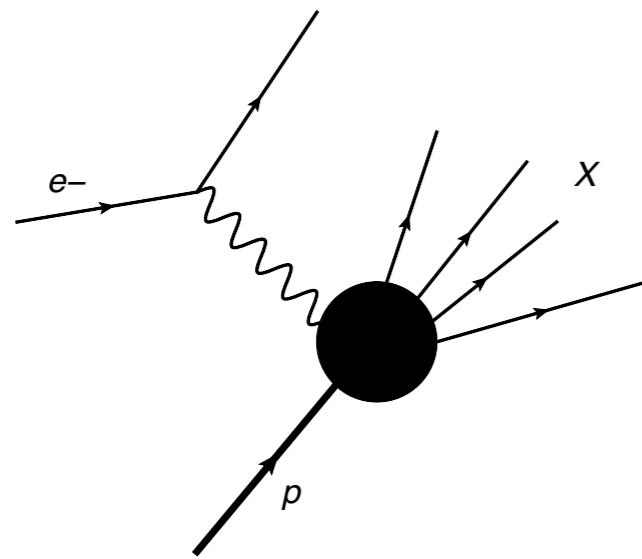
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Nucleon excitation structure



Inclusive electron scattering



$$F_1 \propto \sigma_T(W, Q^2)$$

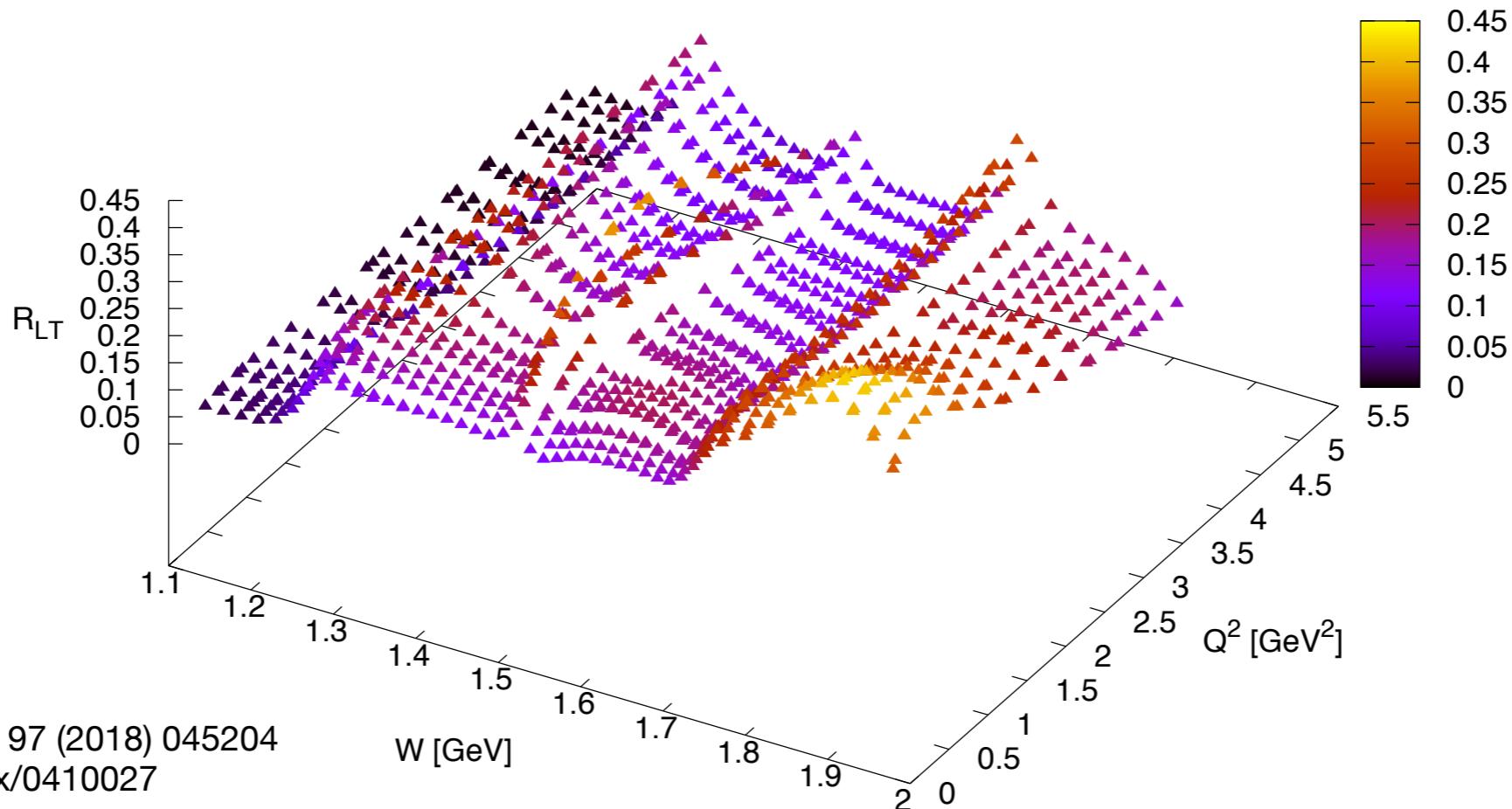
$$F_2 \propto \sigma_T(W, Q^2) + \sigma_L(W, Q^2)$$

$$F_L \propto \sigma_L(W, Q^2)$$

- Structure functions/cross sections give access to PDFs
- Resonance region displays highly non-trivial behaviour with x and Q^2
- **Precise CLAS data**; CLAS12 to reach $0.05 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 12 \text{ GeV}^2$, W up to 4 GeV
- Tests on quark-hadron duality and access to **PDFs at large x** in global analyses

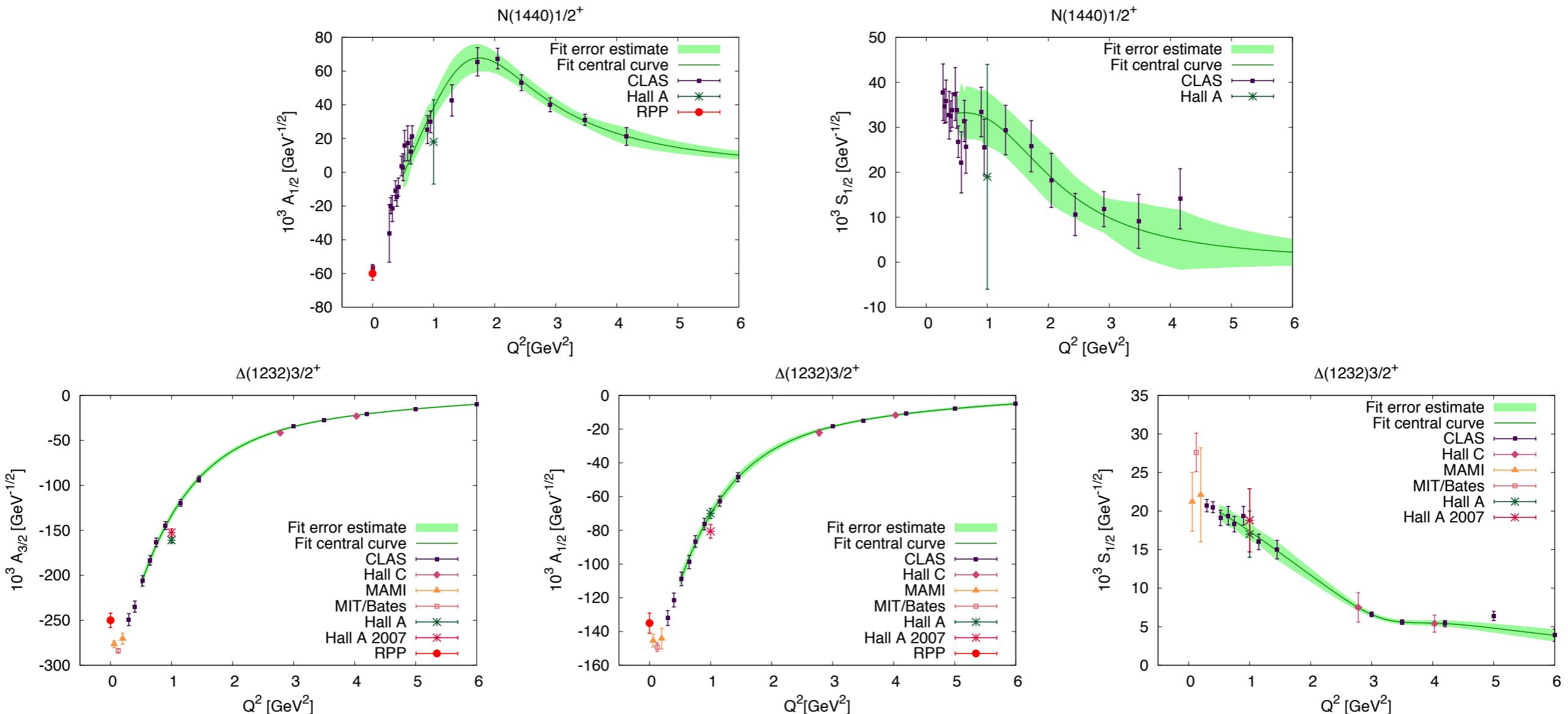
Longitudinal vs. transverse separation

Hall C L/T data



The Hall C L/T separated data cover the resonance region at values of Q^2 that are currently also available from CLAS:
can be used to separate out F_1 , F_2 , F_L from CLAS cross sections.

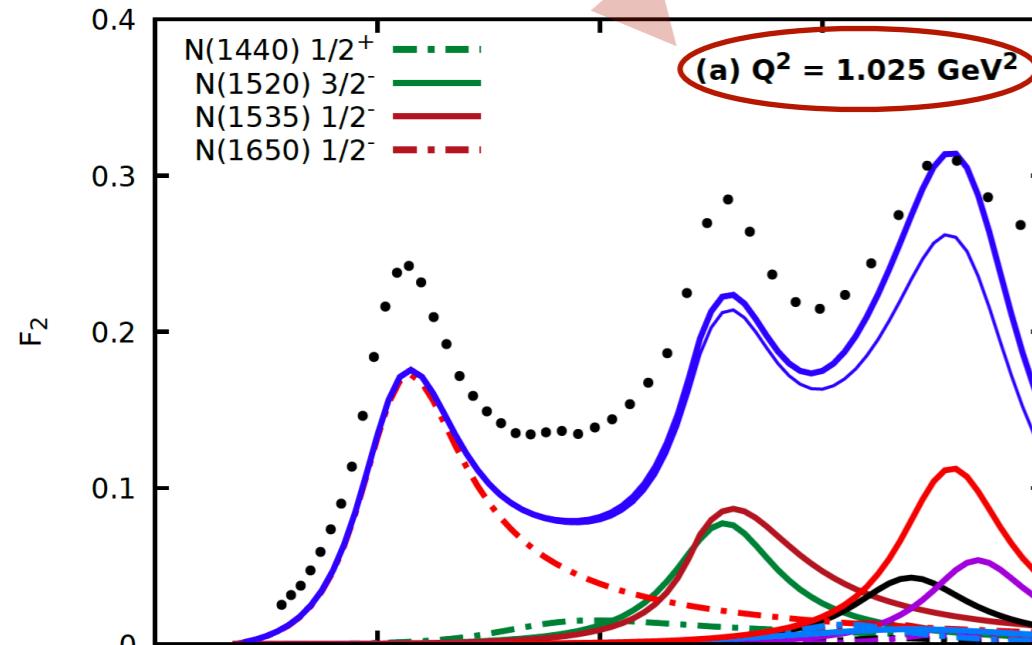
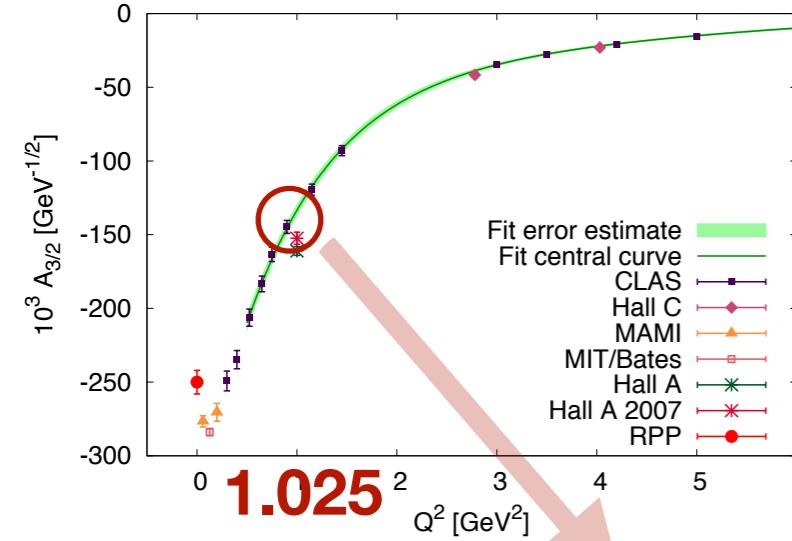
Complementing inclusive measurements: exclusive electroproduction channels



- World and CLAS data on longitudinal and transverse electrocouplings
https://userweb.jlab.org/~mokeev/resonance_electrocoupings/ <https://userweb.jlab.org/~isupov/couplings/>
- Allow us to determine each of the resonant contributions separately

From exclusive to inclusive electron scattering

$$\sigma_{T,L}(W, Q^2) = \boxed{\sigma_{T,L}^R(W, Q^2)} + \sigma_{T,L}^{NR}(W, Q^2)$$



Breit-Wigner resonance model: coherent sum!

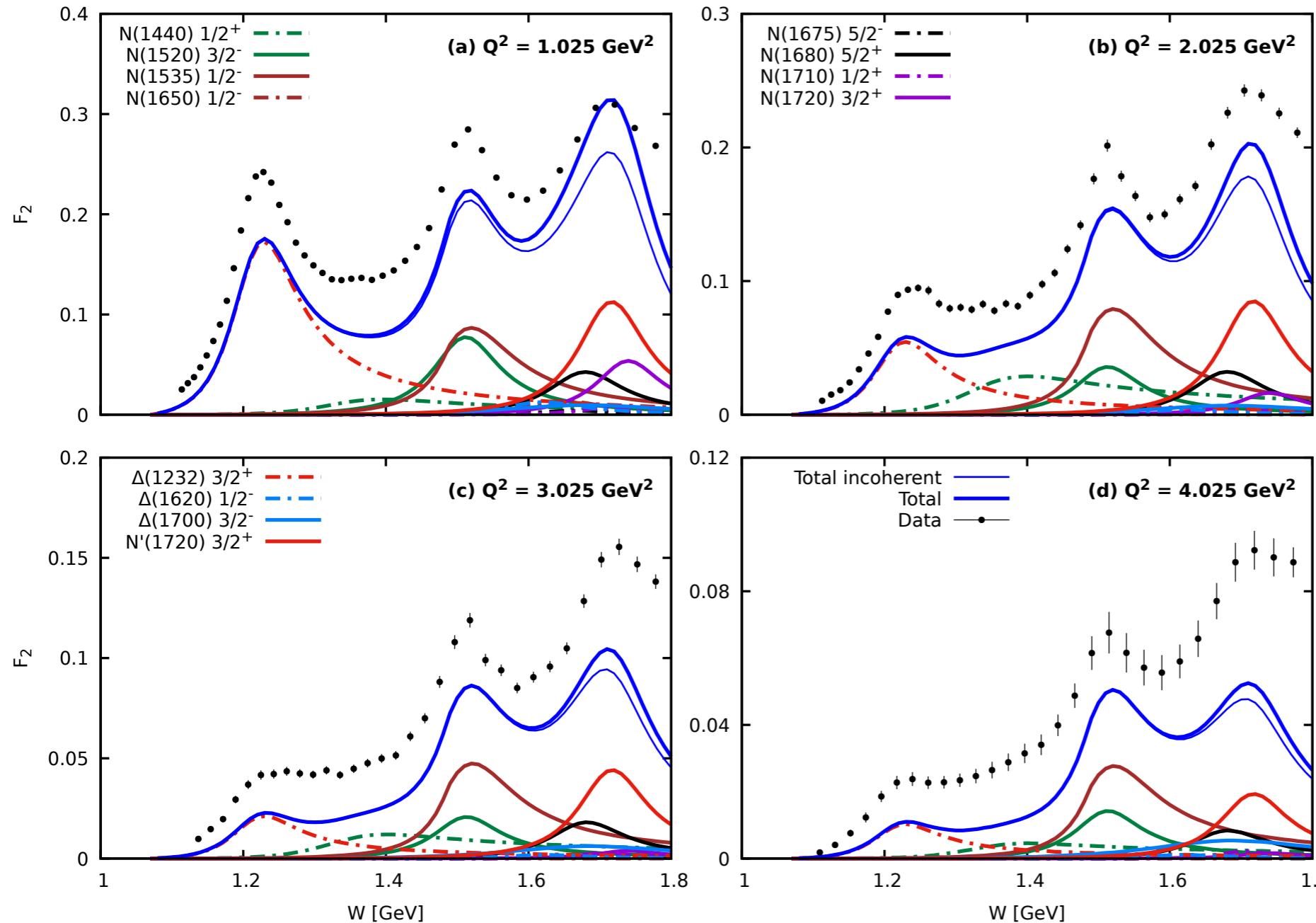
Mokeev et al., PRC 86 (2012) 035203

$$\sigma_{T,L}^R(W, Q^2) = \frac{\pi}{q_\gamma^2} \sum_{N^*, \Delta^*} (2J_r + 1) \frac{M_r^2 \Gamma_{\text{tot}}(W) \Gamma_\gamma^{T,L}(M_r, Q^2)}{(M_r^2 - W^2)^2 + M_r^2 \Gamma_{\text{tot}}^2(W)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_\gamma^T(M_r, Q^2) &\sim |A_{1/2}(Q^2)|^2 + |A_{3/2}(Q^2)|^2 \\ \Gamma_\gamma^L(M_r, Q^2) &\sim |S_{1/2}(Q^2)|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Electrocouplings from data

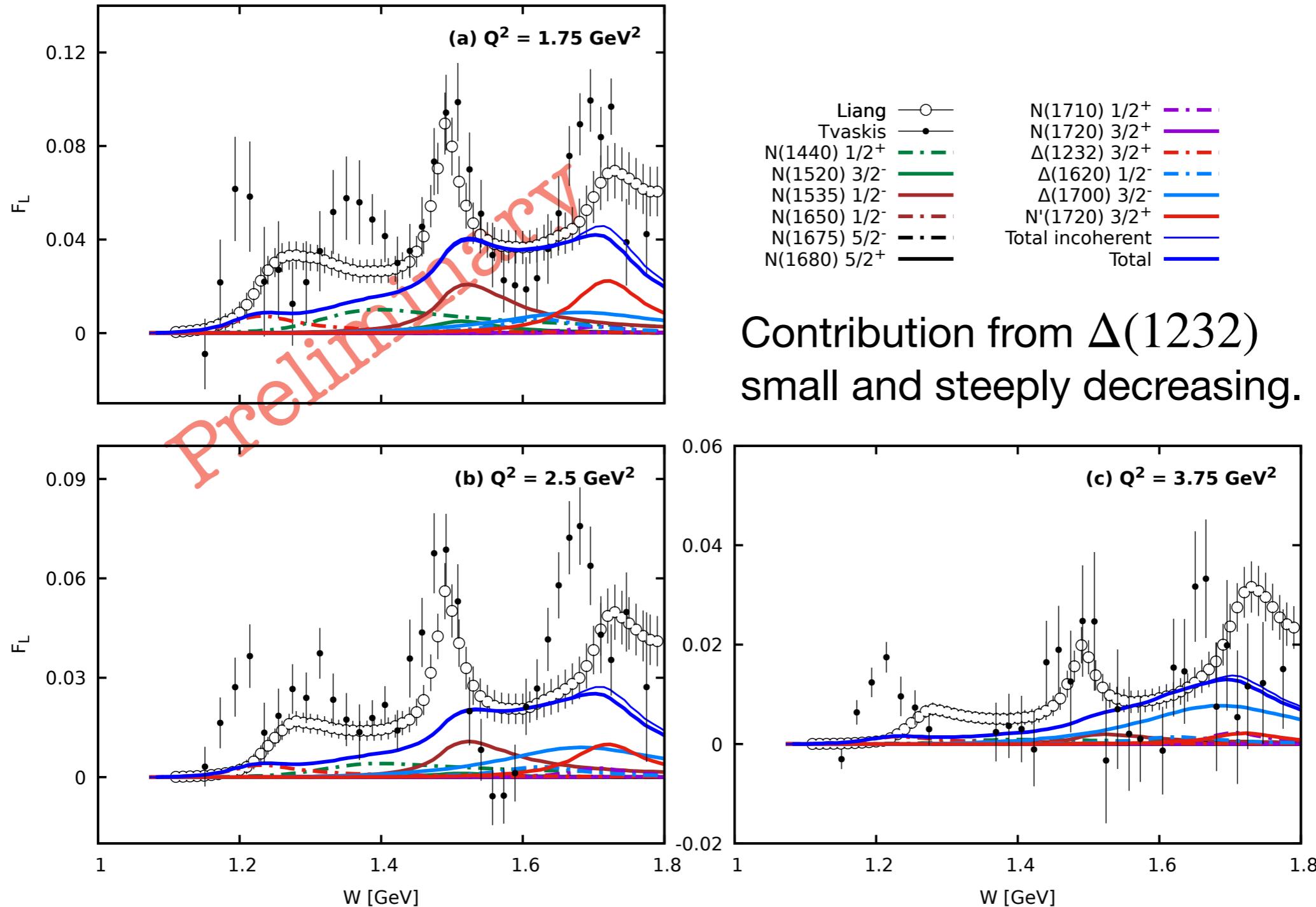
Resonant contributions at different Q^2



Tails of resonances give substantial contributions to neighbouring regions!

Second resonance region decreases less with Q^2 : intricate differences in Q^2 evolution of electrouplings.

The longitudinal structure function

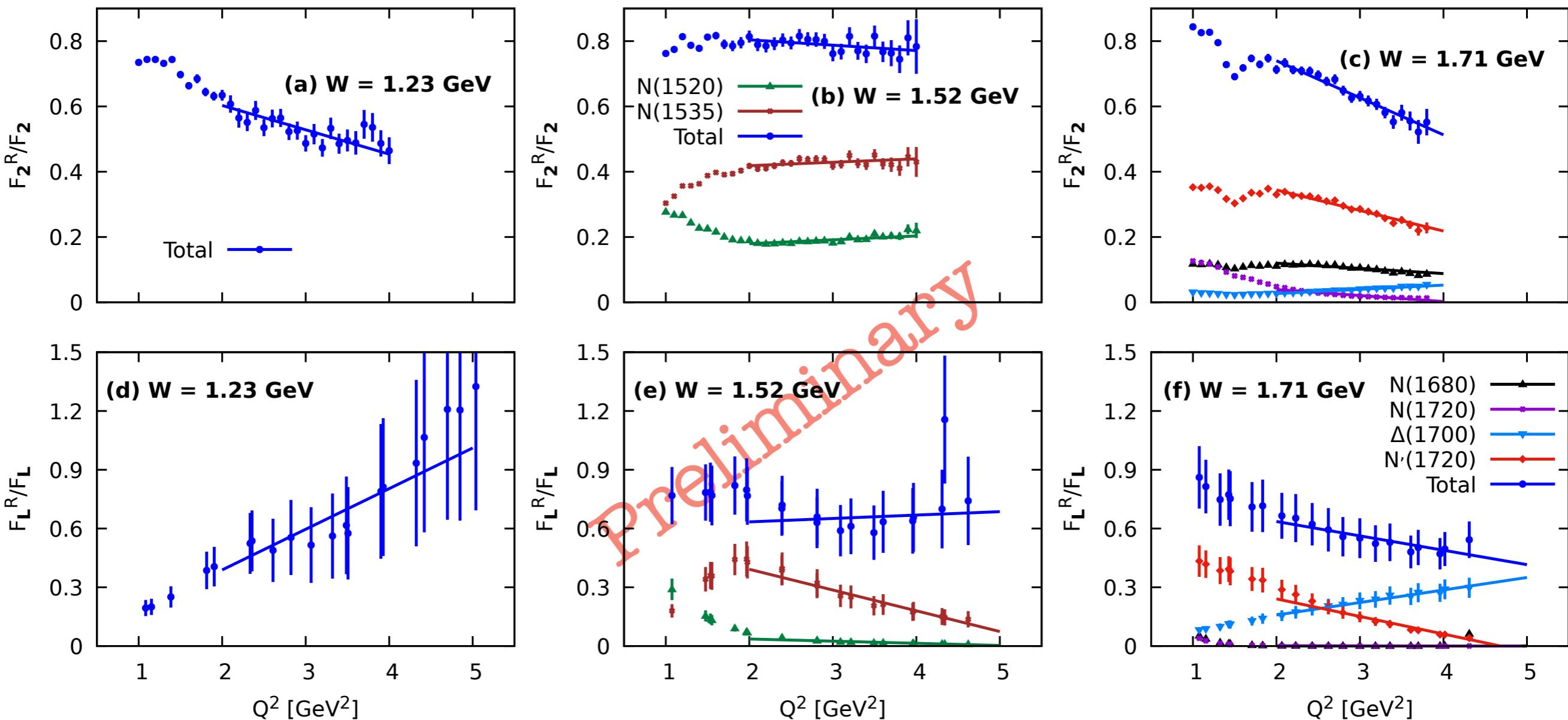


Contribution from $\Delta(1232)$
small and steeply decreasing.

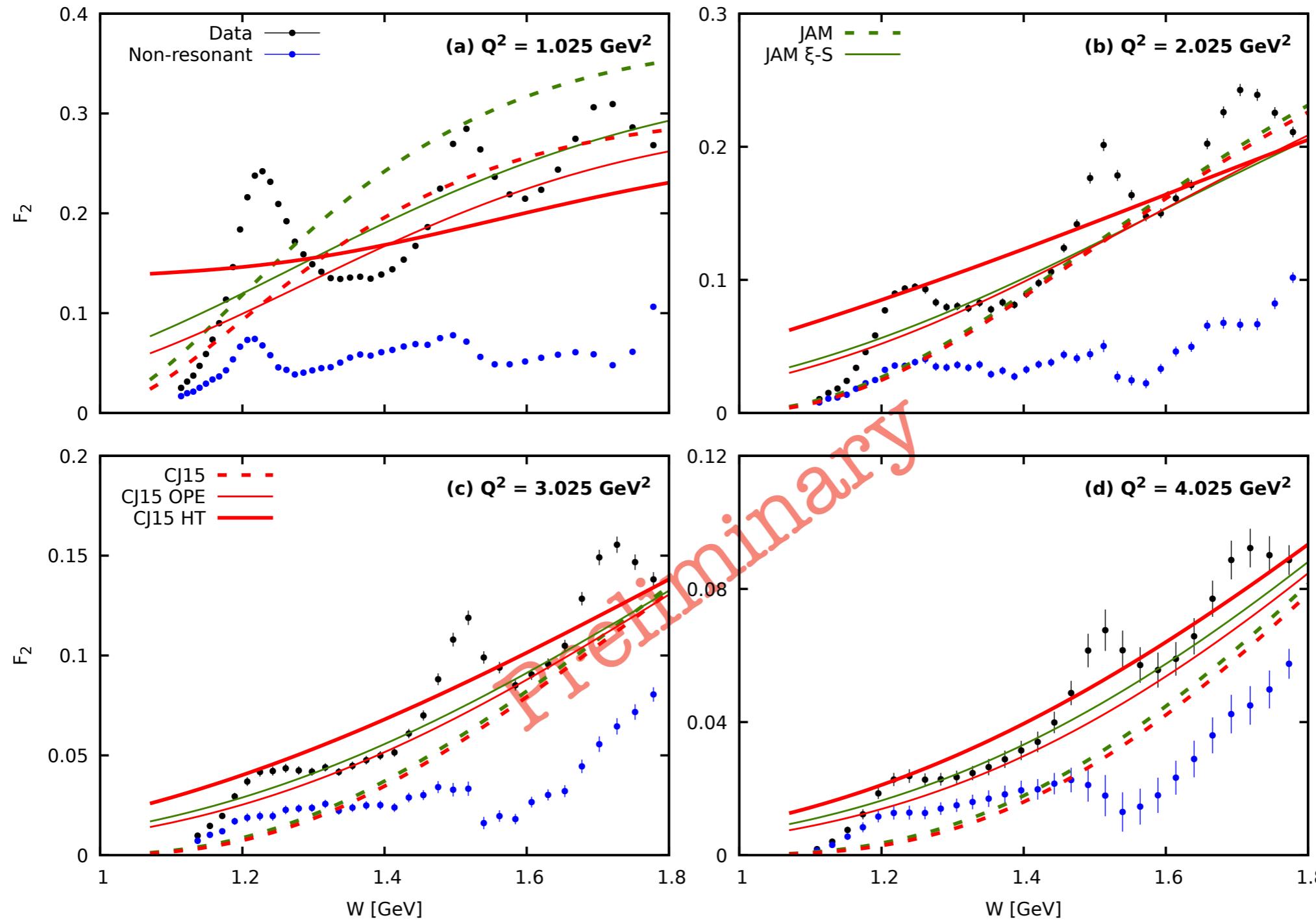
2nd and 3rd resonance regions of F_2 and F_L remain strong at all Q^2 :
studies of respective electrocouplings at larger Q^2 with CLAS12 is very promising.

Q^2 evolution of ratio resonance/total

- Resonance contributions decrease with Q^2 , but so do the total contributions
- $\Delta(1232)$: even at 4 GeV^2 , ~50% significance; 2nd region: nearly flat ratio
- Points to non-vanishing resonances!

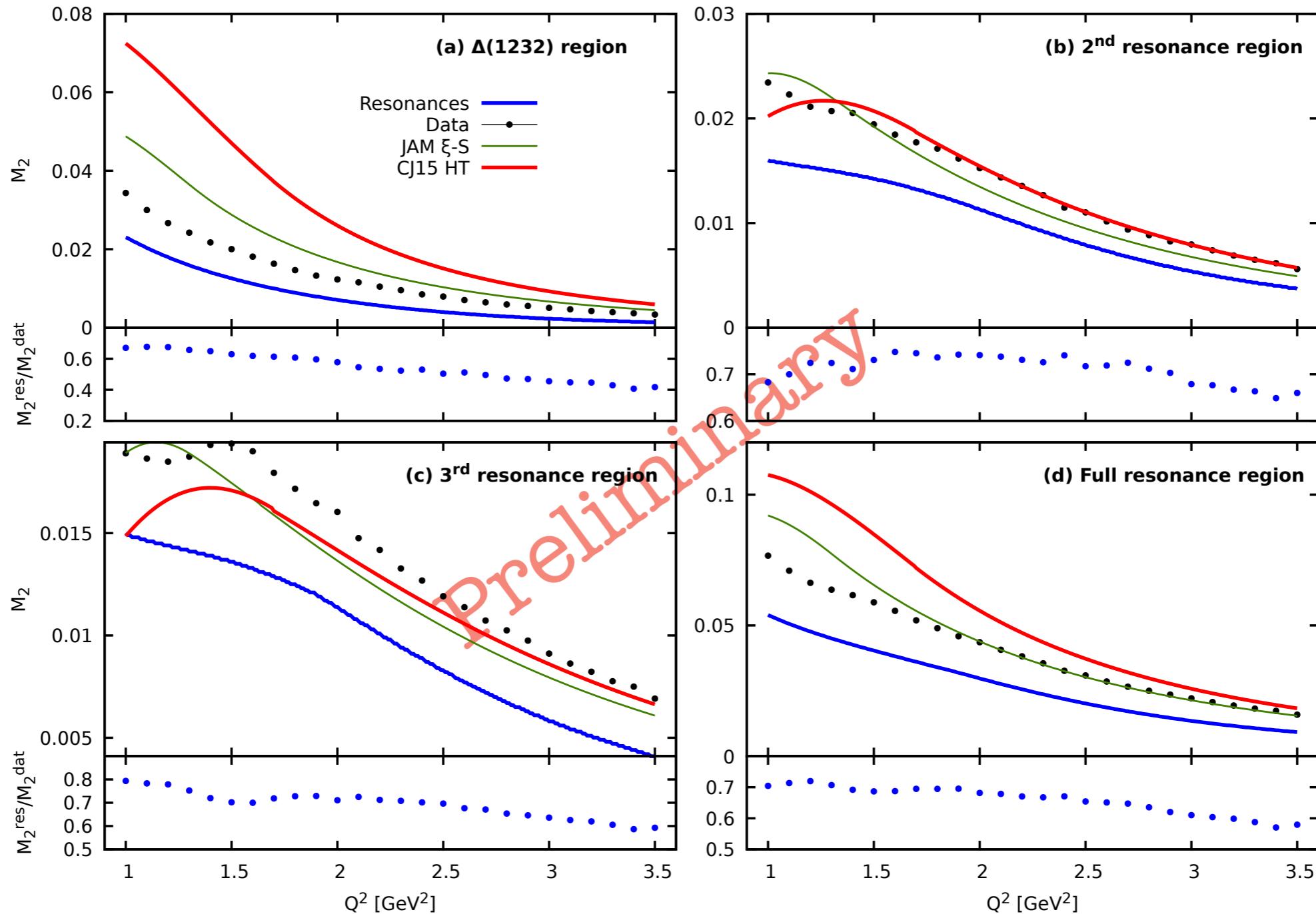


Comparison with PDF fits to DIS region



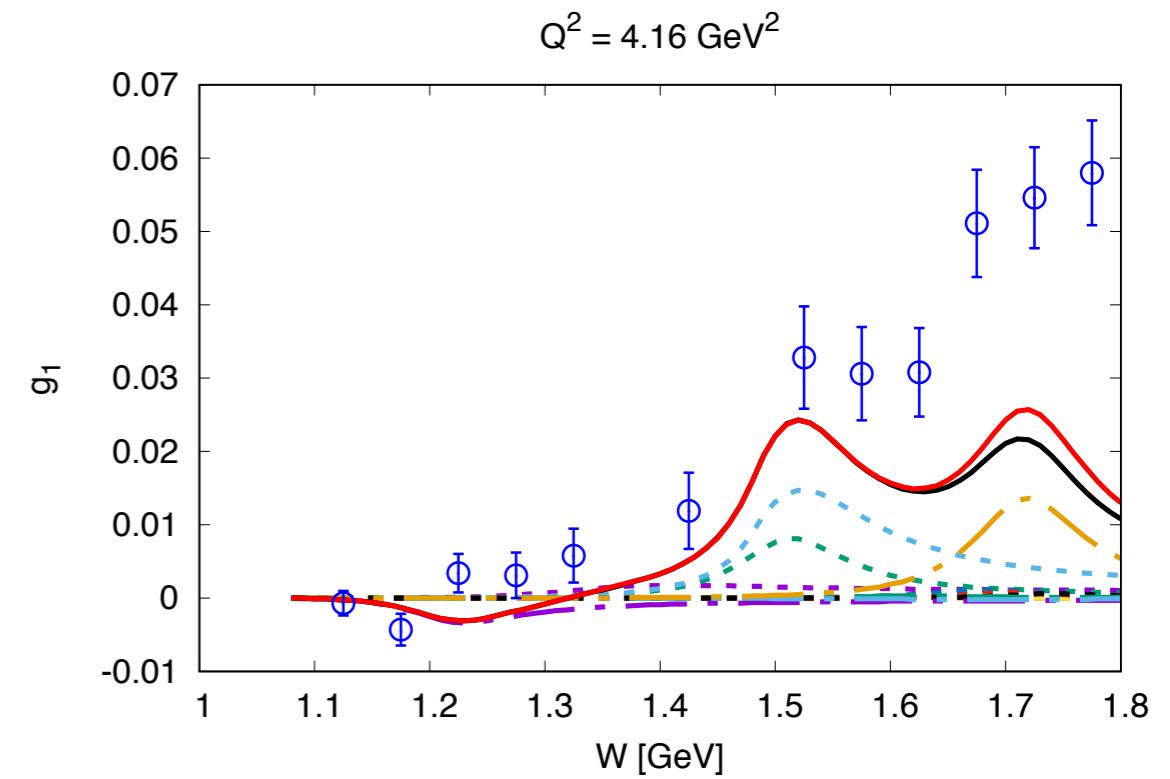
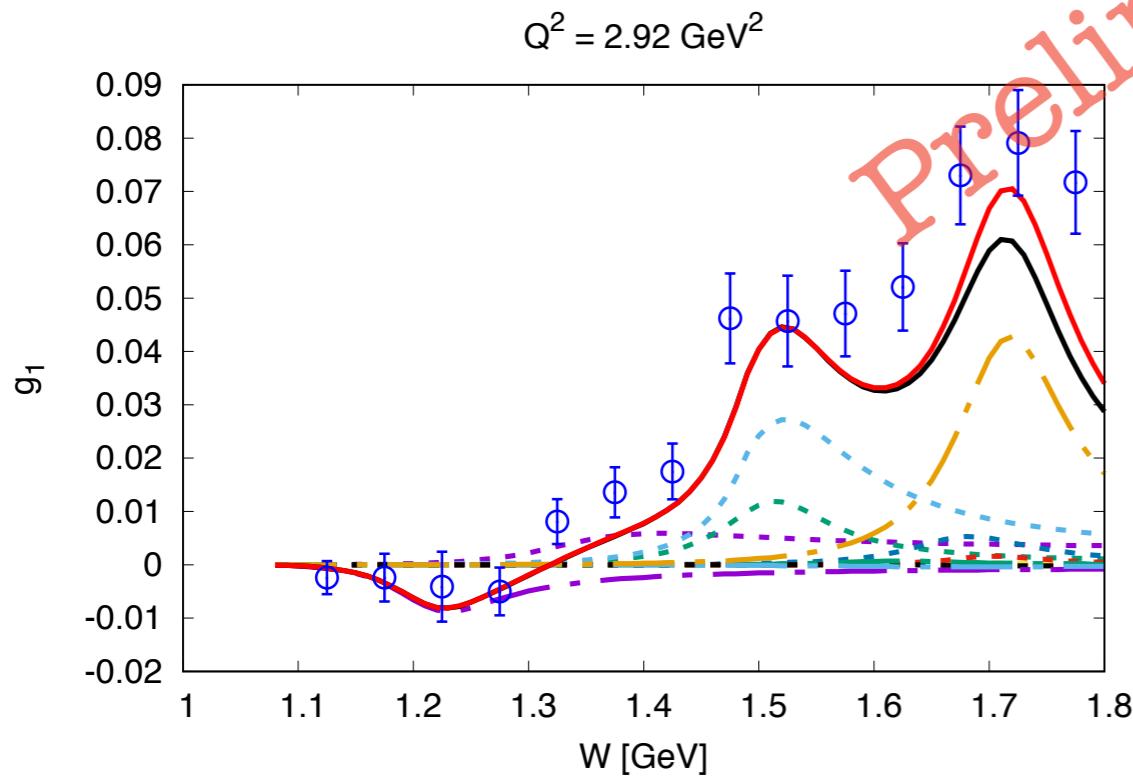
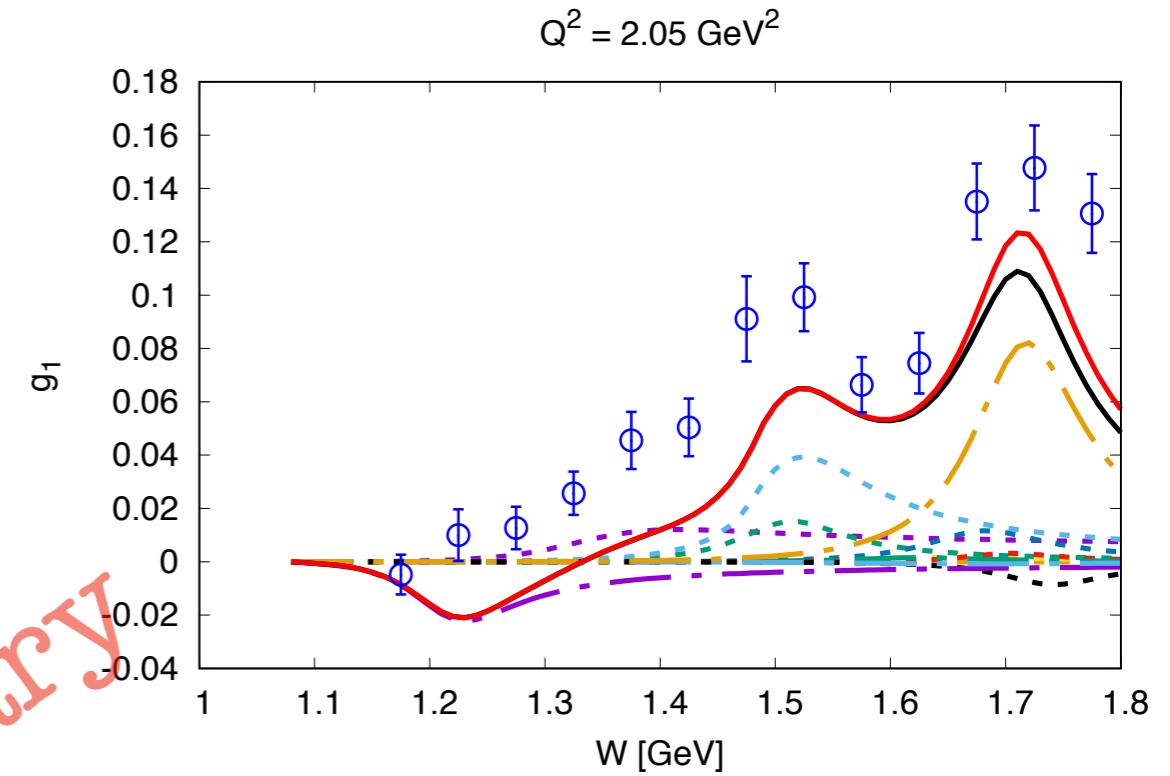
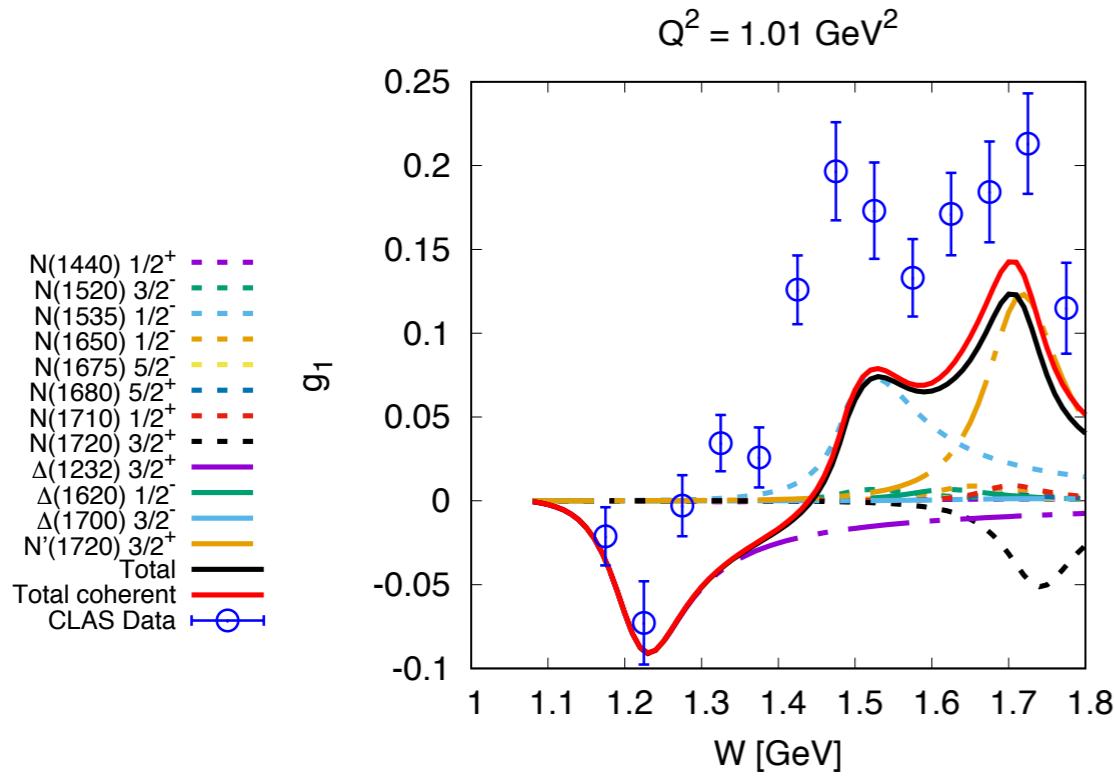
The **PDF fits** with target-mass corrections and higher-twist contributions are **compatible with averaged data** in the resonance region: opportunities for PDFs at large x .

Truncated moments



Integration over energies: better comparison in regions with resonant structures:
 global duality onset at $Q^2 > 3.0 \text{ GeV}^2$ motivates CLAS12 studies!
 Resonance contributions stay relatively large in the whole range.

Polarized structure functions



Summary and outlook

- Computed **resonant contributions to structure functions** with interference effects.
- CLAS electrocouplings allow mapping of highly non-trivial behaviour for first time; L/T separation made possible by Hall C data.
- **Resonances** compared to full data **do not seem to vanish** at larger Q^2 : promising prospects for CLAS12!
- Towards an insight into PDFs at large x and duality behavior in truncated moments.
- Extension to polarized structure functions.