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Studies of the Deuteron at High Four-Momentum Transfer¹ HASSAN IBRAHIM², Old Dominion University — Experiment E01-020³ systematically explores the ${}^2\text{H}(e, e'p)n$ reaction (electro-disintegration of the deuteron) over a broad kinematical range of four-momentum transfer, $Q^2 = 0.8, 2.1$ and 3.5 $(\text{GeV}/c)^2$, and missing momentum, $p_m = 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4$ and 0.5 GeV/c . This systematic approach will help to examine the reaction mechanism and short-distance structure of the deuteron. A separation of the longitudinal-transverse interference response function, R_{LT} , at the quasi-elastic peak will provide important constraints for relativistic theories of this reaction. Experiment E01-020 was performed in Hall A at Jefferson Lab in 2002. The physics motivations, run summary and experimental setup will be presented.

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