

# Nucleon Form Factors in time-like and space-like regions


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# AGENDA

## Nucleon Electromagnetic Form Factors


-  Definition and properties


## The space-like region

-  Proton radius

-  Rosenbluth versus Akhiezer-Rekalo

## The time-like region

-  Unphysical region

-  Threshold

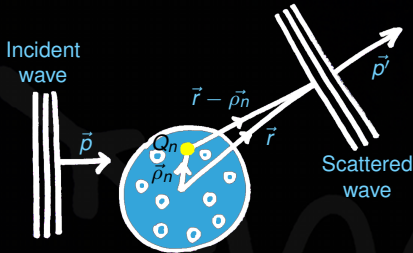
-  An amazing effect

## The asymptotic region

## Analytic $R = \mu G_E / G_M$

## Conclusions

# SEMI-CLASSICAL DEFINITION



Amplitude of the scattered wave

$$\mathcal{A}_n(\vec{r}) = Q_0 e^{i \vec{p}' \cdot \vec{r}} Q_n e^{i (\vec{p} - \vec{p}') \cdot \vec{\rho}_n}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(\vec{r}) = \sum_n \mathcal{A}_n(\vec{r}) = Q_0 e^{i \vec{p}' \cdot \vec{r}} \sum_n Q_n e^{i \vec{q} \cdot \vec{\rho}_n}$$

Form factor

$$F(\vec{q}) = \frac{1}{Q_0} \langle \phi | \sum_n Q_n e^{i \vec{q} \cdot \vec{\rho}_n} | \phi \rangle$$

The **unpolarized** differential cross section on an extended object

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |F(\vec{q})|^2 \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{pointlike}}$$

Form factor **modulus** is obtained by comparing theory and experiment

In the Breit frame the Fourier transform of the form factor

$$\rho(\vec{r}) = \frac{Q_0}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3\vec{q} F(\vec{q}) e^{-i \vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

is the **charge spatial distribution**.

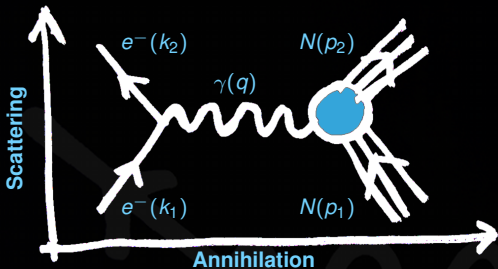
The form factor is Fourier transform of  $\rho(\vec{r})$

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# NUCLEON ELECTROMAGNETIC FORM FACTORS

- Form factors characterize the internal structure of a hadron  
 $\Rightarrow F_{\text{point-like}} = \text{constant}$ .
- Elastic form factors contain information on the hadron ground state.
- In a parity and  $T$ -invariant theory, the electromagnetic structure of a particle of spin  $S\hbar$  is defined by  **$2S + 1$  form factors**.
- Neutron and proton form factors are different.
- Playground for **theory** and **experiment**:
  - at low  $q^2$  probe the size of the hadron;
  - at high  $q^2$  test the QCD counting rule.

# DIRAC AND PAULI FORM FACTORS



- Scattering:  $e^- N \rightarrow e^- N$   
Space-like kinematic region

$$q^2 = -2\omega_1\omega_2(1 - \cos\theta_e) \leq 0$$

- Annihilation:  $e^+ e^- \leftrightarrow N\bar{N}$   
Time-like kinematic region

$$q^2 = 4\omega^2 > 0$$

Scattering amplitude  
in **Born** approximation

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{1}{q^2} [e \bar{u}(k_2) \gamma_\mu u(k_1)] \underbrace{[e \bar{U}(p_2) \Gamma^\mu(p_1, p_2) U(p_1)]}_{\text{Nucleon EM 4-current: } J_N^\mu}$$

From Lorenz and gauge invariance

$$\Gamma^\mu(p_1, p_2) = \gamma^\mu F_1^N(q^2) + \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2M_N} F_2^N(q^2)$$

- Dirac FF:  $F_1^N(q^2)$ ,  $F_1^N(0) = Q_N$

- Pauli FF:  $F_2^N(q^2)$ ,  $F_2^N(0) = \kappa_N$

$Q_N = N$  electric charge

$\kappa_N = N$  anomalous magnetic moment

# SACHS FORM FACTORS

## Breit frame

No energy exchanged

$$p_1 = (E, -\vec{q}/2)$$

$$p_2 = (E, \vec{q}/2)$$

$$q = (0, \vec{q})$$

## Nucleon electromagnetic four-current

$$J_N^\mu = (J_N^0, \vec{J}_N) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_q = J_N^0 = e \left[ F_1^N + \frac{q^2}{4M_N^2} F_2^N \right] \\ \vec{J}_N = e \bar{U}(p_2) \vec{\gamma} U(p_1) \left[ F_1^N + F_2^N \right] \end{array} \right.$$

## Sachs Nucleon Form Factors

$$G_M^N(q^2) = F_1^N(q^2) + F_2^N(q^2)$$

$$G_E^N(q^2) = F_1^N(q^2) + \frac{q^2}{4M_N^2} F_2^N(q^2)$$

In the Breit frame represent the **Fourier transforms** of **charge** and **magnetic moment spatial distributions** of the nucleon

Normalization at  $q^2 = 0$

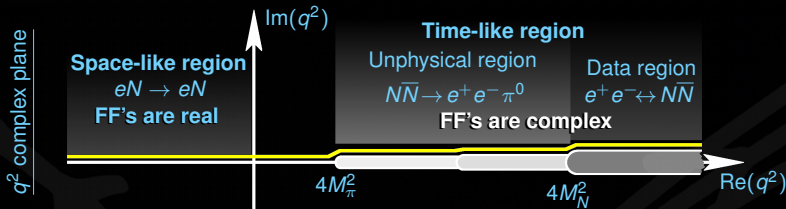
$$\text{Cube} \quad G_E^N(0) = \mathcal{Q}_N$$

$$\text{Cube} \quad G_M^N(0) = \mu_N$$

$$\mu_N = \mathcal{Q}_N + \kappa_N$$

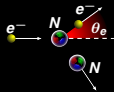
is the nucleon magnetic moment

# CROSS SECTIONS AND ANALYTICITY



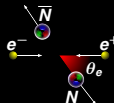
$$\text{Crossing: tot. helicity} = \begin{cases} 1 \Rightarrow G_E \\ 0 \Rightarrow G_M \end{cases}$$

$$G_E(4M_N^2) = G_M(4M_N^2)$$



## Elastic scattering

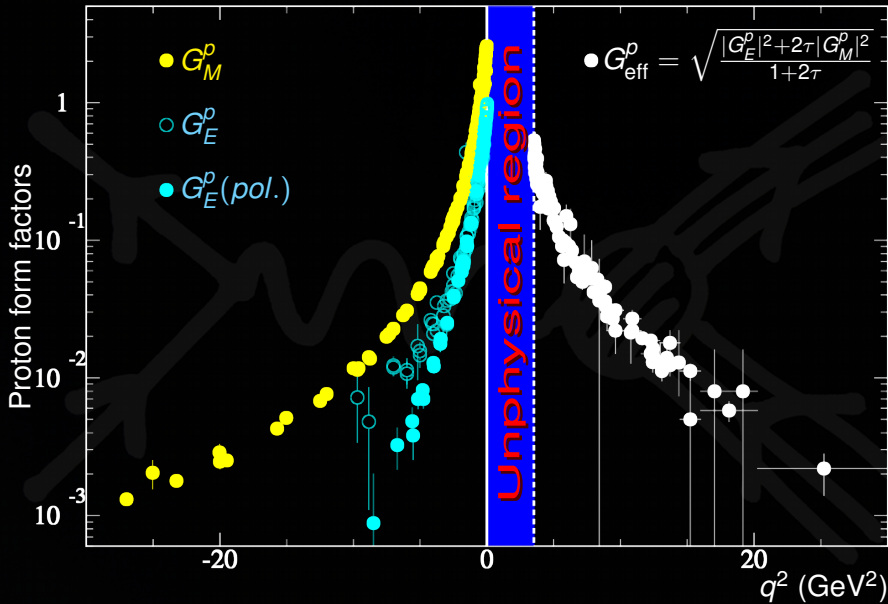
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 \omega_2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2}}{4\omega_1^3 \sin^4 \frac{\theta_e}{2}} \left[ G_E^2 - \tau \left( 1 + 2(1-\tau) \tan^2 \frac{\theta_e}{2} \right) G_M^2 \right] \frac{1}{1-\tau} \quad \tau = \frac{q^2}{4M_N^2}$$



## Annihilation

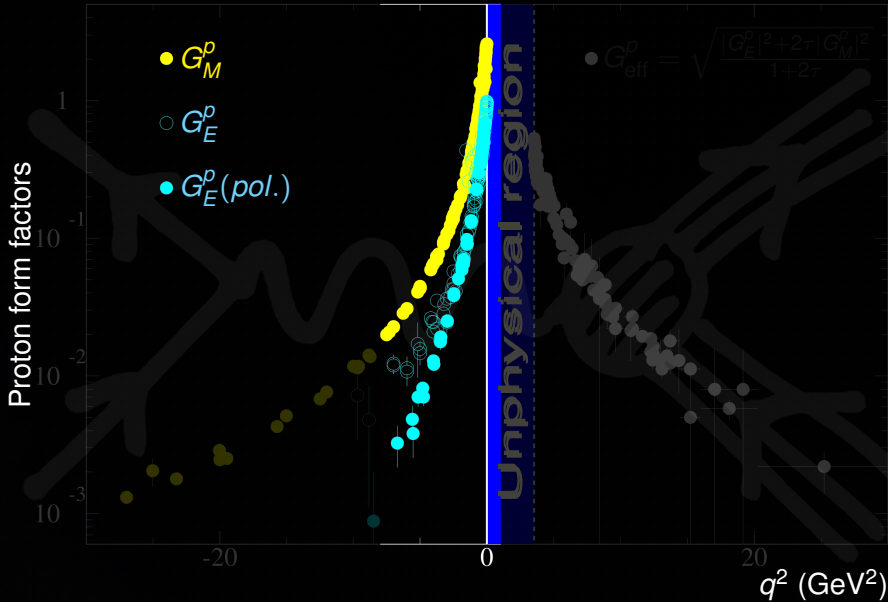
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta C}{4q^2} \left[ (1 + \cos^2 \theta) |G_M|^2 + \frac{1}{\tau} \sin^2 \theta |G_E|^2 \right] \quad \beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\tau}}$$

# THE PROTON RADIUS

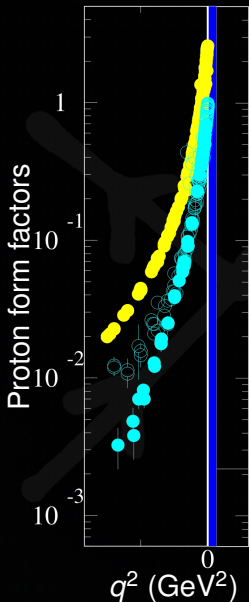




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$$G_E^p(q^2) = \int d^3\vec{r} \rho(r) e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} = 1 + \frac{1}{6} q^2 \langle r_c^2 \rangle + \mathcal{O}(q^4)$$

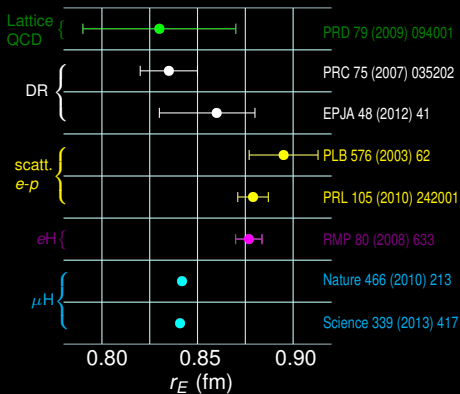
$\rho(r)$ : normalized spherical charge density

The charge radius

$$r_E = \sqrt{\langle r_c^2 \rangle} = \sqrt{4\pi \int_0^\infty r^4 \rho(r) dr} = \sqrt{\frac{6}{G_E^p(0)} \left. \frac{dG_E^p}{dq^2} \right|_{q^2=0}}$$





Charge density $\rho(r)$	Form factor $G_E^p(q^2)$	Charge radius $r_E$	Comments
$\delta^3(r)$	1	0	pointlike
$e^{-\lambda r}$	$\lambda^4 / (q^2 + \lambda^2)^2$	$2\sqrt{3}/\lambda$	dipole
$e^{-\lambda r}/r$	$\lambda^2 / (q^2 + \lambda^2)$	$\sqrt{6}/\lambda$	monopole
$e^{-\lambda r^2}/r^2$	$e^{-q^2/(4\lambda^2)}$	$1/\sqrt{2\lambda}$	gaussian

# THE PROTON RADIUS



Analyticity via dispersion relations and QCD counting rules can give directly the proton radius. . .

Ongoing discussions. . .

-   $q^2 \rightarrow 0^-$  extrapolation
-  Radiative corrections
-  Two-photon exchange
-  Coulomb corrections

Logarithmic derivative of form factor at  $q^2 = 0$  by means of dispersion relations for the logarithm

$$r_E^2 = \frac{12M_\pi^2}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{\ln |G_E^p(t)/G_E^p(0)|}{t^2 \sqrt{t - 4M_\pi^2}} dt$$



# UNPOLARIZED CROSS SECTION POLARIZATION OBSERVABLES

N.M.Rosenbluth, Phys. Rev. 79, 615

A.I.Akhiezer, M.P.Rekalo, Sov. Phys. Dokl. 13, 572

## Rosenbluth formula

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{Mott}} \frac{1}{1-\tau} \left[ G_E^2 - \frac{\tau}{\epsilon} G_M^2 \right] \quad \tau = \frac{q^2}{4M_N^2}$$



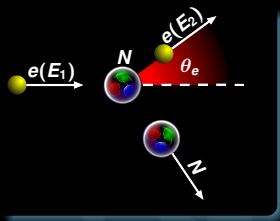
Mott pointlike cross section



Degree of linear polarization of the virtual photon

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{Mott}} = \frac{4\alpha^2}{(-q^2)^2} \frac{E_2^3}{E_1} \cos^2(\theta_e/2)$$

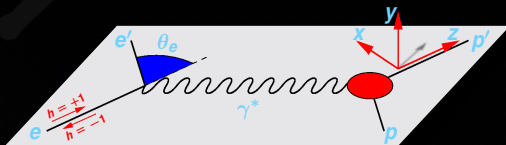
$$\epsilon = \left[ 1 + 2(1-\tau) \tan^2(\theta_e/2) \right]^{-1}$$



In case of **polarized electrons** ( $h = \pm 1$ ) on unpolarized nucleon target and measuring the polarization of the outgoing proton:

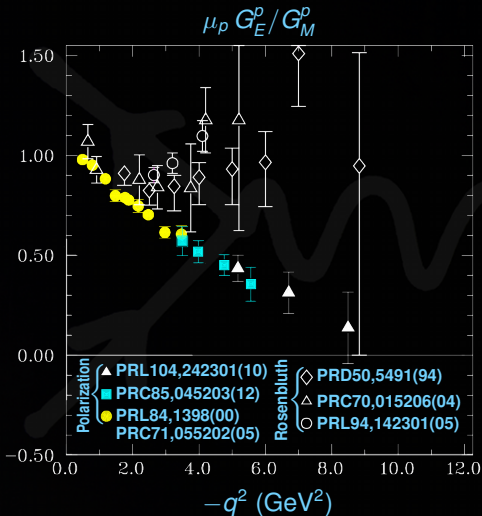
$$P'_x = -\frac{2\sqrt{\tau(\tau-1)}}{G_E^2 - \frac{\tau}{\epsilon} G_M^2} G_E G_M \tan\left(\frac{\theta_e}{2}\right)$$

$$P'_z = \frac{(E_e + E'_e) \sqrt{\tau(\tau-1)}}{M(G_E^2 - \frac{\tau}{\epsilon} G_M^2)} G_M \tan^2\left(\frac{\theta_e}{2}\right)$$



$$\frac{P'_x}{P'_z} = -\frac{2M \cot(\theta_e/2)}{E_e + E'_e} \frac{G_E}{G_M}$$

# $\mu_p G_E^p / G_M^p$ : ROSENBLUTH AND POLARIZATION TECHNIQUES



“Standard” dipole for the proton magnetic form factors  $G_M^p$



Linear deviation from the dipole for the electric proton form factor  $G_E^p$



**QCD scaling still not reached**



**Zero crossing for  $G_E^p$**

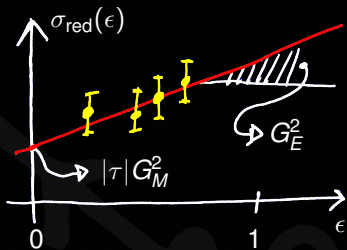


Polarization data do not agree with old Rosenbluth data (◇)



New Rosenbluth separation data from JLab **still do not agree** with polarization data

# THE ROSENBLUTH METHOD

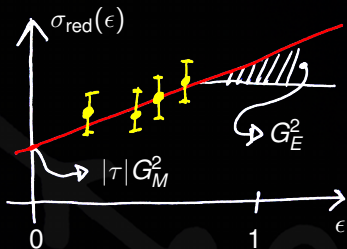


$$\text{Reduced cross section } \frac{d\sigma/d\Omega}{(d\sigma/d\Omega)_{\text{Mott}}} \epsilon(1 - \tau)$$

$$\sigma_{\text{red}}(\epsilon; \theta, Q^2) = \epsilon G_E^2 + |\tau| G_M^2$$

- Function of  $\epsilon$  at fixed  $\theta$  and  $Q^2$
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$$\sigma_{\text{red}}(\epsilon) = \underbrace{\epsilon G_E^2}_{<3\%} + \underbrace{|\tau| G_M^2}_{>97\%}$$

$$\delta \sigma_{\text{red}}(\epsilon) \sim 1.5\%$$

For  $Q^2 \geq 4 \text{ GeV}^2$  the  $G_E^2$  contribution to the reduced cross section can be of the same order of the error

$\Rightarrow$  Large correlation

$\Rightarrow$  Large errors

$\Rightarrow$  Large rad. corr.

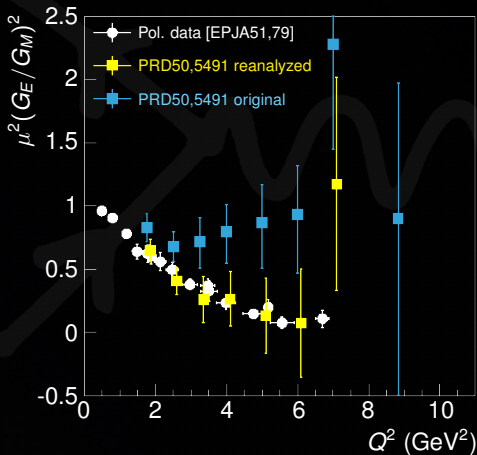
# THE ROSENBLUTH RE-ANALYSIS<sub>1</sub>

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"New" fit function

$$\sigma_{red}(\epsilon) = G_M^2 (R^2 \epsilon + |\tau|)$$

- It reduces the effect of the corrections on the individual form factors
- The general normalization and systematic errors absorbed by  $G_M^2$



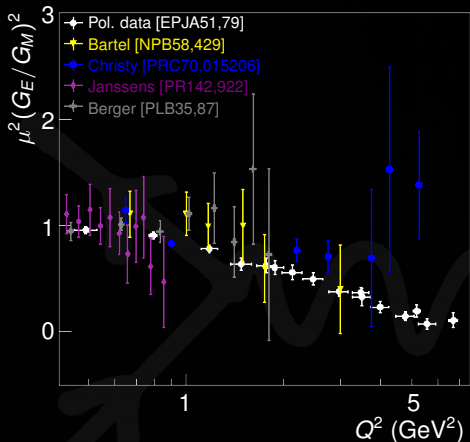
$$R^2 = \frac{G_E^2}{G_M^2}$$

Reference data from PRD50,5491

Good agreement with pol. data

No other reaction mechanisms  
(two-photon exchange) are needed

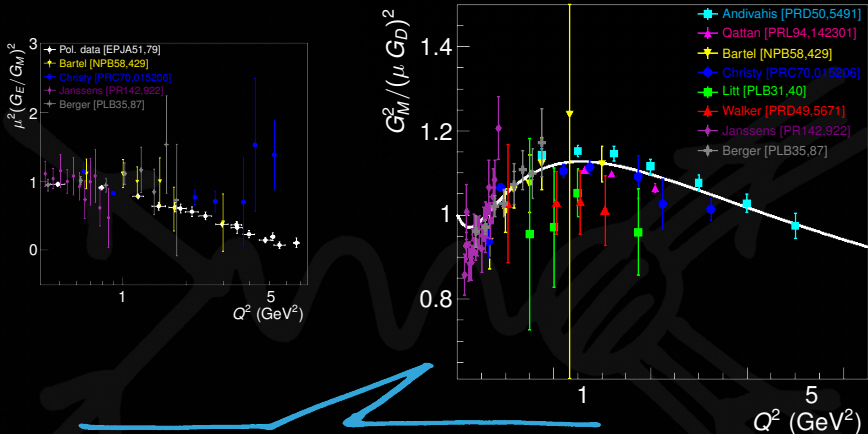




Other sets of data agree  
with polarization measurements

Those not in agreement, Qattan  
[PRL94, 142301] and Walker [RD49,  
5671], show values of  $R^2$  growing  
with  $Q^2$

For these experiments radiative  
corrections and/or correlations  
are especially large



The parameter  $G_M^2$  is better determined than  $R^2$  by the Rosenbluth fit

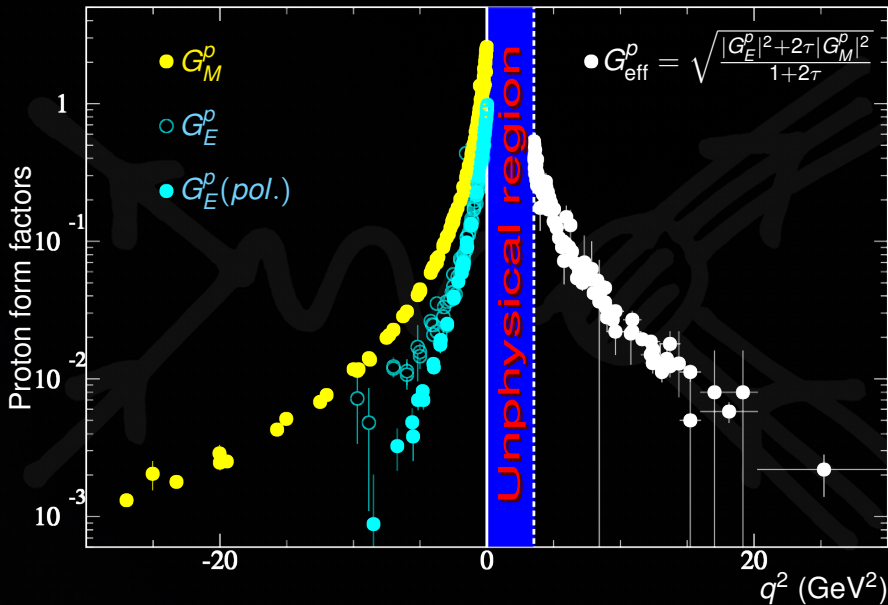


Its values are well described by two component nucleon model based on VMD [PRC69, 068201]

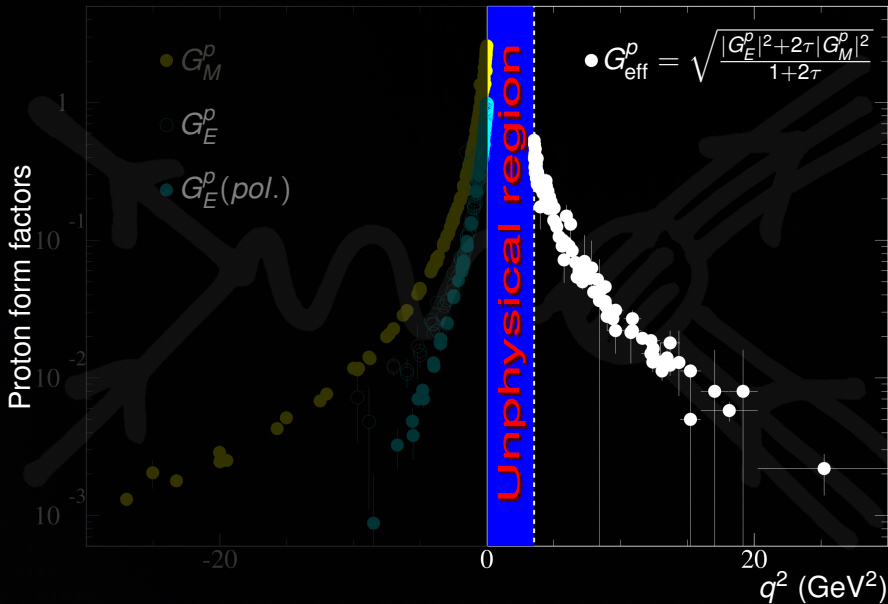


Values consistent with the model that represents, in fact, a global fit to the data

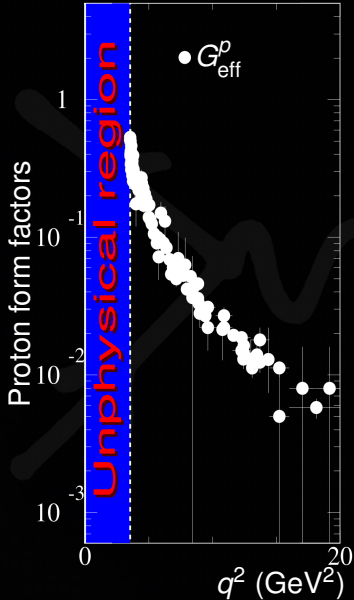
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## Differential cross section $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$

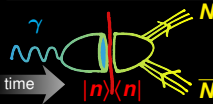
A. Zichichi, S. M. Berman, N. Cabibbo, R. Gatto [NC XXIV (1962) 170]

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta C}{4q^2} \left[ (1 + \cos^2 \theta) |G_M^p|^2 + \frac{1}{\tau} \sin^2 \theta |G_E^p|^2 \right]$$





### Optical theorem

$$\text{Im} \langle \bar{N}(p') N(p) | j^\mu | 0 \rangle \sim \sum_n \langle \bar{N}(p') N(p) | j^\mu | n \rangle \langle n | j^\mu | 0 \rangle$$

$|n\rangle$  are on-shell intermediate states:  $2\pi, 3\pi, 4\pi, \dots$



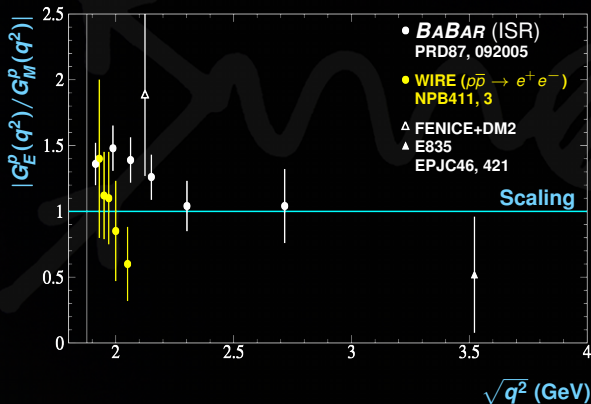
Form factors are complex for  $q^2 > 4M_\pi^2$

-  The cross section is an **even function of  $\cos \theta$**
-  It does **not depend on the form factor phases**
-  At high  $q^2$  the  $|G_E^p|^2$  contribution is suppressed
-  The **unphysical region is not accessible** through the annihilations  $e^+e^- \leftrightarrow p\bar{p}$

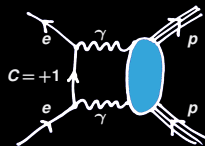
# TIME-LIKE $|G_E^p/G_M^p|$ MEASUREMENTS

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Cristina Morales  
Iris Zimmermann

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2\beta C}{2q^2} |G_M^p|^2 \left[ (1 + \cos^2\theta) + \frac{4M_p^2}{q^2} \sin^2\theta \left| \frac{G_E^p}{G_M^p} \right|^2 \right]$$



$\gamma\gamma$  exchange



$\gamma\gamma$  exchange interferes with the Born term

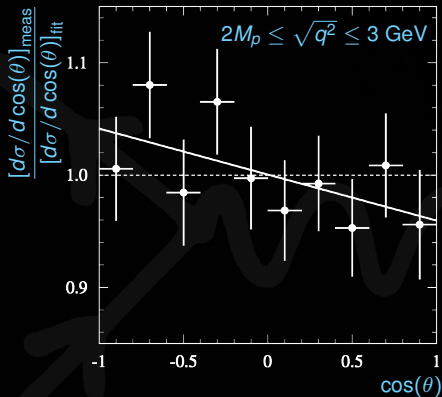


Asymmetry in angular distributions

[E. Tomasi-Gustafsson,  
G.I. Gakh, NPA771,169(06)]

# $\gamma\gamma$ EXCHANGE FROM $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}\gamma$ BABAR 2013 DATA

E. Tomasi-Gustafsson, E.A. Kuraev, S. Bakmaev, SP, Phys. Lett. B659 (2008) 197  
BABAR Phys. Rev. D87 (2013) 092005



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Integrated over the  $p\bar{p}$ -CM energy  
from threshold up to 3 GeV

The MC-fit assumes  
**one-photon exchange**

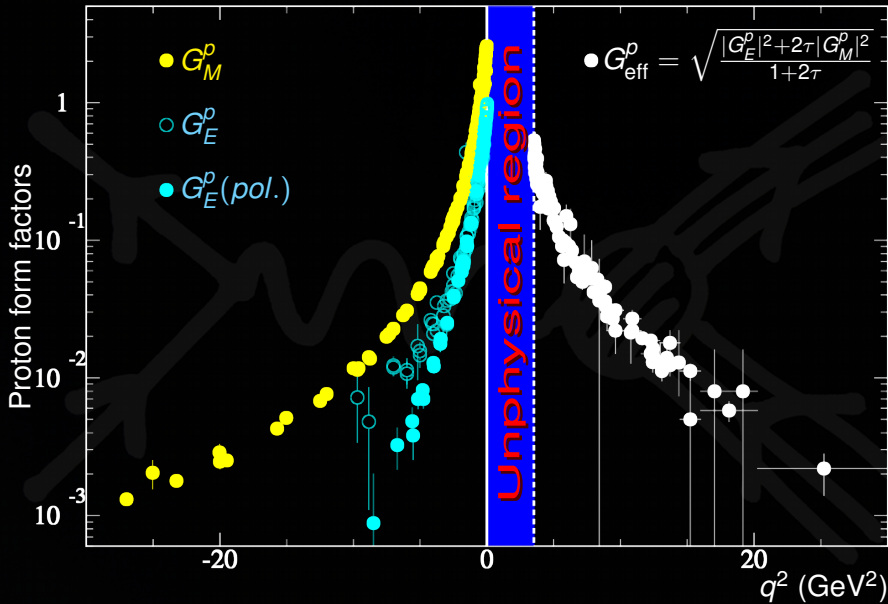
**Slope =  $-0.041 \pm 0.026 \pm 0.005$**

## Integral asymmetry

$$\langle \mathcal{A} \rangle_{\cos \theta_p} = \frac{\sigma(\cos \theta_p > 0) - \sigma(\cos \theta_p < 0)}{\sigma(\cos \theta_p > 0) + \sigma(\cos \theta_p < 0)} = -0.025 \pm 0.014 \pm 0.003$$

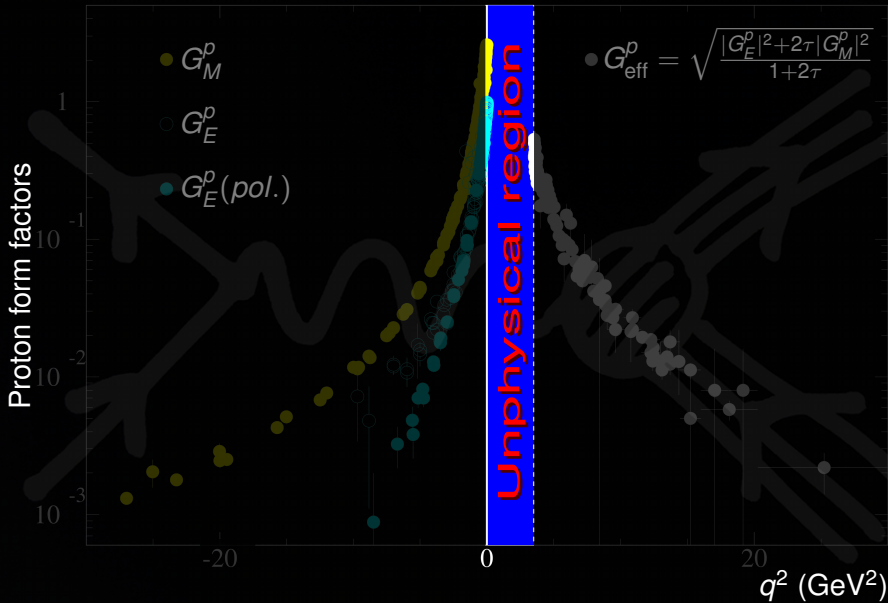
$\sigma(\cos \theta_p \geq 0)$  is the cross section integrated with  $\sqrt{q^2} \leq 3 \text{ GeV}$  and  $\cos \theta_p \geq 0$

# THE UNPHYSICAL REGION

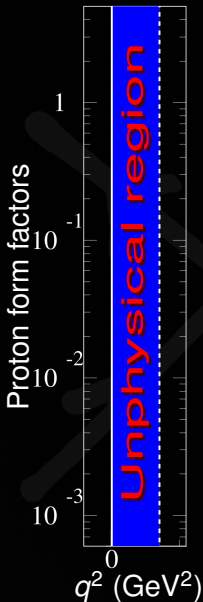




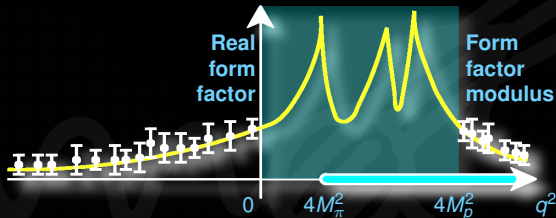
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

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Unphysical region goes from  $q^2 = 0$  up to the physical threshold  $q^2 = 4M_p^2$



In that region, form factors

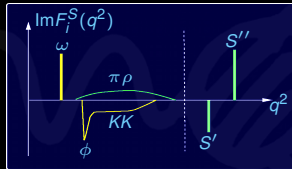
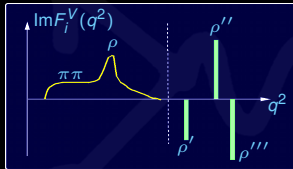
-  are still well defined but not (directly) experimentally accessible
-  are complex and, following VMD-based models, receive their main contribution from intermediate resonances




# HANDLING THE UNPHYSICAL REGION<sub>1</sub>

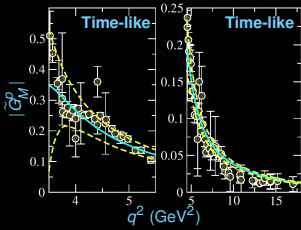
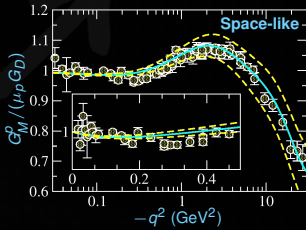
## Model dependent disclosing [Höler, Mergell, Meissner, Hammer]


Optical theorem .....  $\text{Im}\langle \bar{N}(\rho') N(\rho) | j^\mu | 0 \rangle \sim \sum_n \langle \bar{N}(\rho') N(\rho) | j^\mu | n \rangle \langle n | j^\mu | 0 \rangle$


Dispersion relations for the imaginary part .....  $F(q_{\text{SL}}^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Im}F(q_{\text{TL}}^2)}{q_{\text{TL}}^2 - q_{\text{SL}}^2} dq_{\text{TL}}^2$



-   $2\pi$  and  $2K$  continua are known
-  The  $\rho$  resonance with finite width
-  Dirac delta poles for higher mass states



-  Super convergence relations
 
$$\int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} \text{Im} F_{1,2}(q^2) dq^2 = 0$$

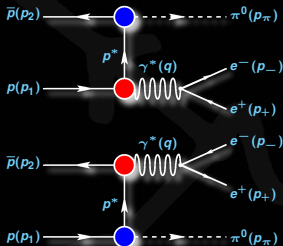
$$\int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} q^2 \text{Im} F_2(q^2) dq^2 = 0$$
-  Asymptotic behaviors from perturbative QCD

# HANDLING THE UNPHYSICAL REGION<sub>2</sub>

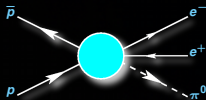
## Accessing the unphysical region

[C. Adamuscin, E.A. Kuraev, E. Tomasi-Gustafsson, F. Maas]

The initial state  $\pi$ -production  
 $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$



The process  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$



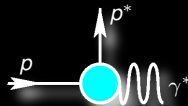
Described in general by **six** amplitudes which depend on **three** kinematical variables

**Hadronic current** [PRC75 045205]

$$J_\mu = \phi_\pi(p_\pi) \bar{v}(p_2) O_\mu u(p_1)$$

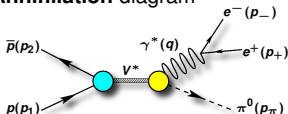
$$O_\mu = O_\mu[\Gamma_\mu(q)]$$

$$\langle N(p') | \Gamma_\mu(q) | N(p) \rangle = \bar{u}(p') \left[ F_1(q^2) \gamma_\mu + \frac{i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{4M_p^2} F_2(q^2) \right] u(p)$$



Background:

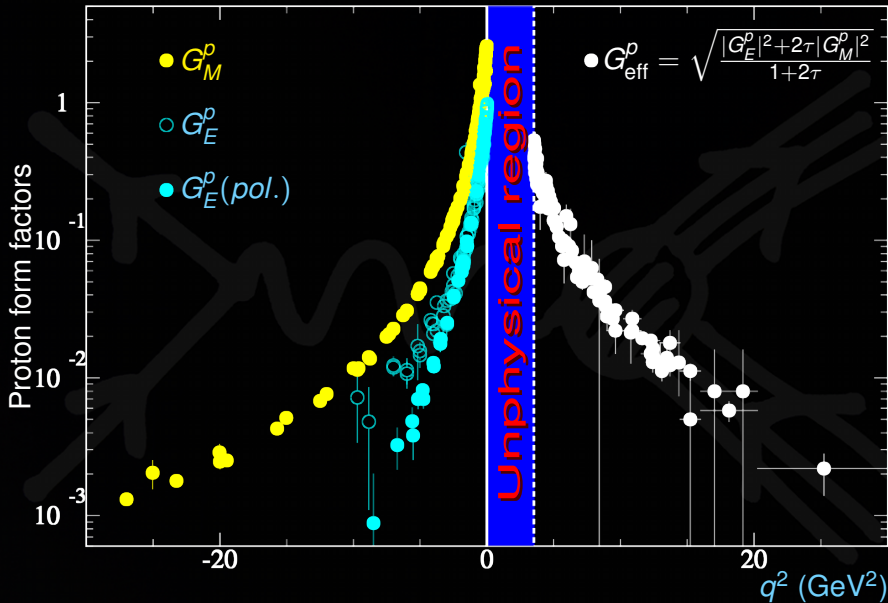
**Annihilation** diagram



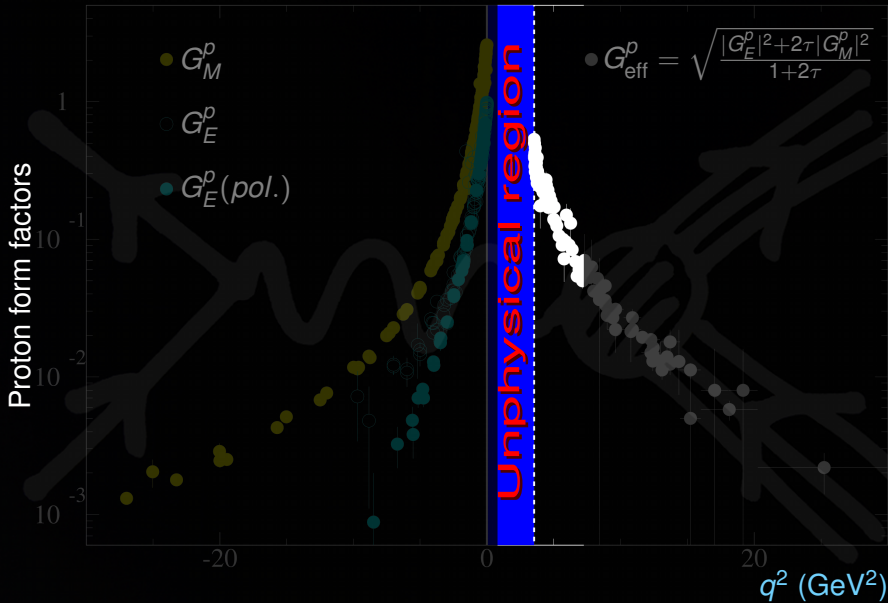
**Polarization observables help in disentangle reaction mechanisms**

[E. A. Kuraev *et al.*, J. Exp. Theor. Phys. 115 (2012) 93  
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# THE THRESHOLD REGION



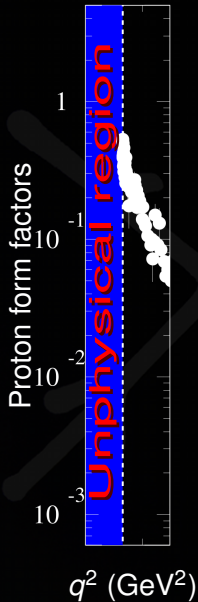
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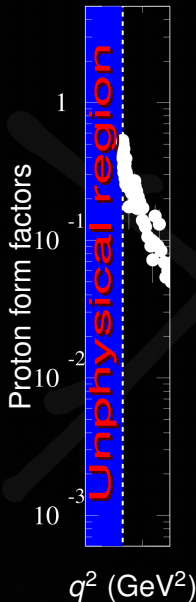
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Annihilation cross section

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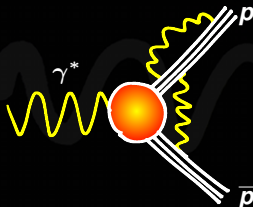


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Enhancement factor  $\mathcal{E} = \frac{\pi\alpha}{\beta}$

It is responsible for the one-photon exchange  $p\bar{p}$  final state interaction, dominates at threshold and cancels the phase-space factor.

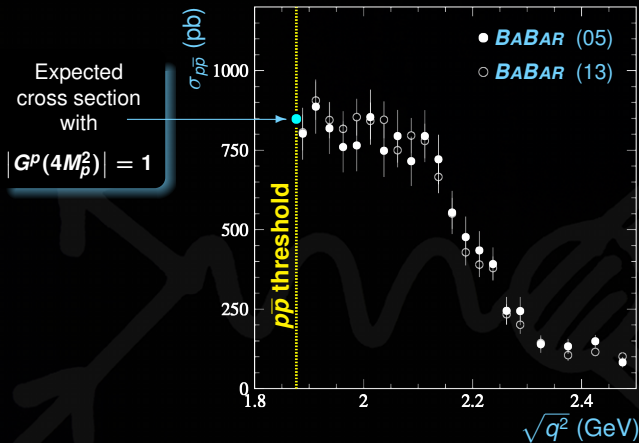
Resummation factor  $\mathcal{R} = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-\frac{\pi\alpha}{\beta}}}$

It is responsible for the multi-photon  $p\bar{p}$  final state interaction, becomes ineffective few MeV above threshold and accounts also for gluon exchange.

$$C = \mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{R} = \frac{\pi\alpha/\beta}{1 - \exp(-\pi\alpha/\beta)} \xrightarrow{\beta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\pi\alpha}{\beta} = \mathcal{E}$$



# STEP AND PLATEAU IN *BABAR* DATA



**At threshold**

$$\sigma_{p\bar{p}}(4M_p^2) = \frac{\pi^2 \alpha^3}{2M_p^2} \frac{\beta_p}{\beta_p} |G^p(4M_p^2)|^2$$

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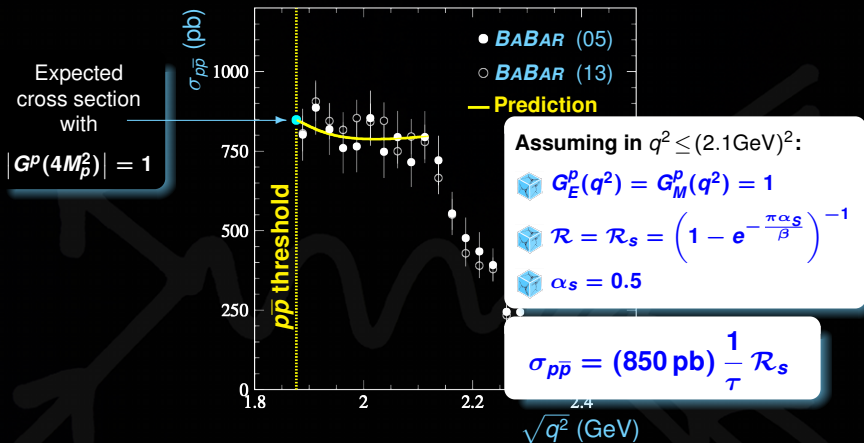


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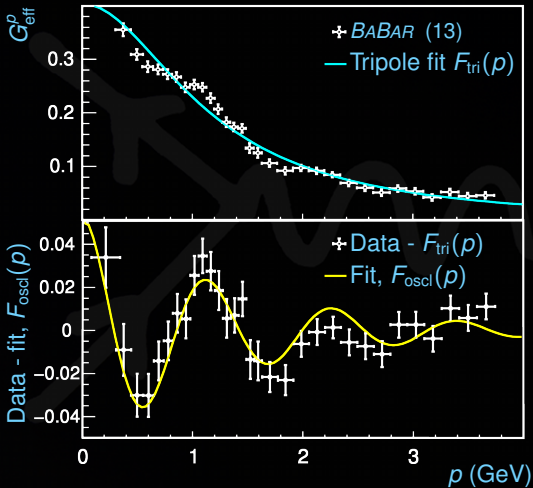
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# PERIODIC INTERFERENCE NEAR THRESHOLD

A. BIANCONI, E. TOMASI-GUSTAFSSON, PHYS. REV. LETT. 114, 232301



$$F_{\text{oscl}}(p) = Ae^{-Bp} \cos(Cp + D)$$

$$A \ll 1$$

$B$  damp. par.

$$C = r < 1 \text{ fm}$$

$D$  thresh. shift

$p$  is the momentum of the proton in the anti-proton rest frame.

The periodical behavior suggests an interference due to a rescattering of proton and antiproton at low kinetic energy and separation  $\sim 1$  fm.

Proton and antiproton interact when they are almost phenomenological.

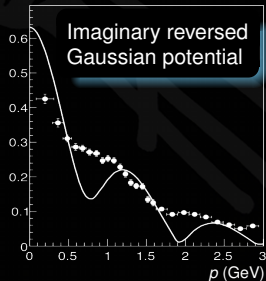
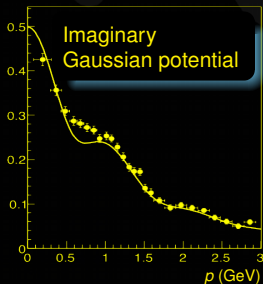
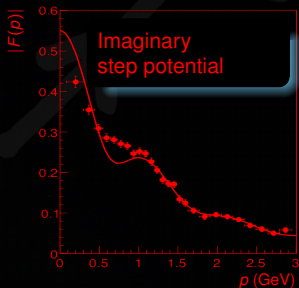
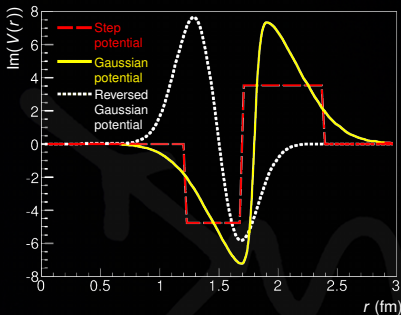
Unitarity implies a large imaginary part of form factors.

# DOUBLE HOLLOW POTENTIALS

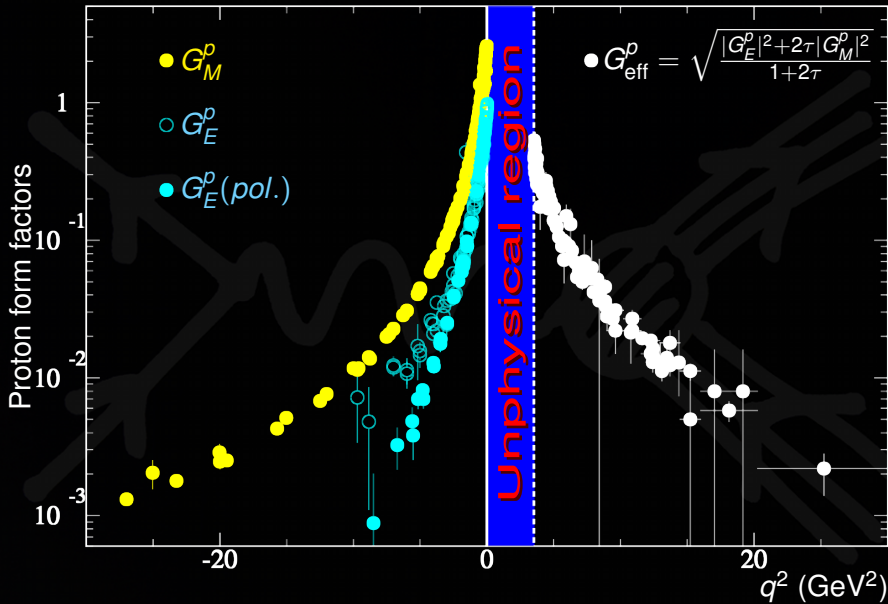
A. BIANCONI, E. TOMASI-GUSTAFSSON, PRC93, 035201

Double-layer optical potentials are phenomenologically required

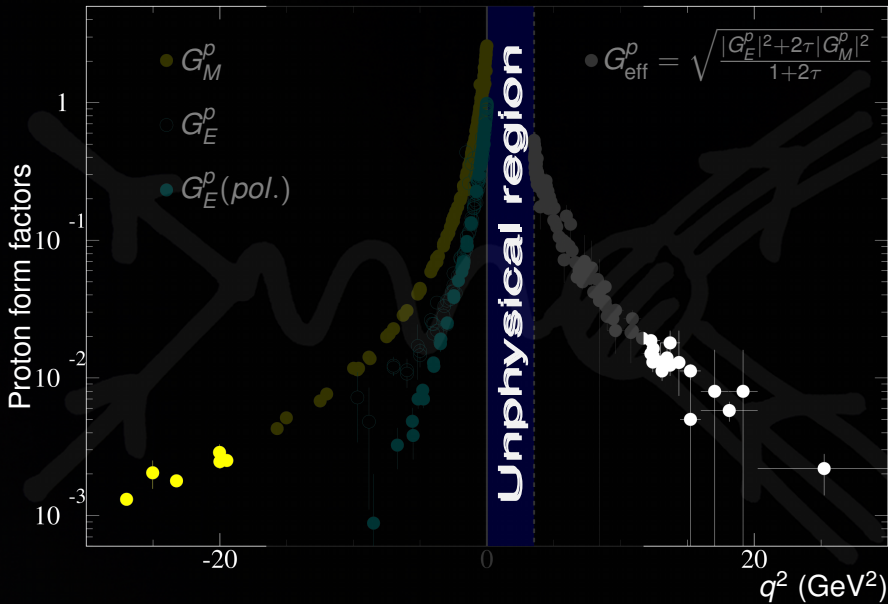
- ☐ Purely absorptive at  $r > 1.7$  fm
- ☐ Flux-generating at  $r < 1.7$  fm
- ☐ Quick ( $< 2$  fm) transition absorption to flux-generating to get the period
- ☐ Maximum at  $p = 0$   
⇒ threshold enhancement
- ☐ Reversed potentials reproduce the oscillation amplitude **not the period**



# THE ASYMPTOTIC REGIONS<sub>1</sub>

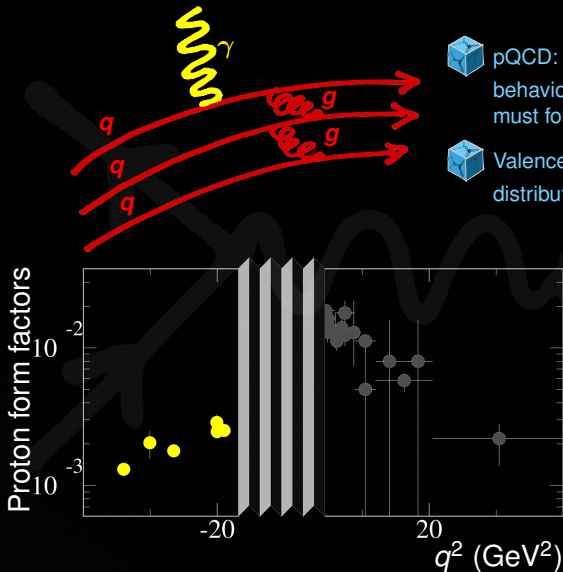



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## Space-like dimensional scaling




 pQCD: as  $q^2 \rightarrow -\infty$ , asymptotic behaviors of  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , and  $G_E$  and  $G_M$  must follow counting rules

 Valence quarks exchange gluons to distribute the momentum transfer  $q$

 Dirac and Pauli form factors

$$F_i(q^2) \underset{q^2 \rightarrow -\infty}{\sim} (-q^2)^{-1-i}$$

 Sachs form factors

$$G_{E,M}(q^2) \underset{q^2 \rightarrow -\infty}{\sim} (-q^2)^{-2}$$

$$\frac{G_E(q^2)}{G_M(q^2)} \underset{q^2 \rightarrow -\infty}{\sim} \text{const.}$$

# THE ASYMPTOTIC REGIONS<sub>1</sub>

## Time-like asymptotic behavior

### Phragmén Lindelöf theorem:

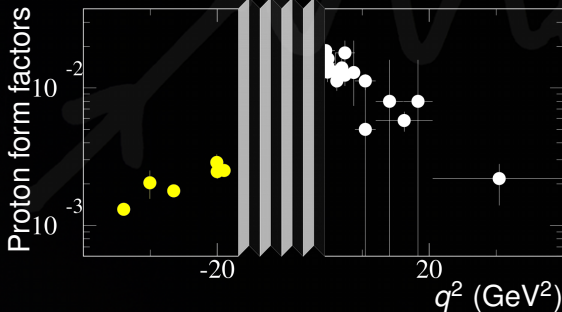
If a function  $f(z) \rightarrow a$  as  $z \rightarrow \infty$  along a straight line, and  $f(z) \rightarrow b$  as  $z \rightarrow \infty$  along another straight line, and  $f(z)$  is regular and bounded in the angle between, then  $a = b$  and  $f(z) \rightarrow a$  uniformly in this angle.



$$\underbrace{\lim_{q^2 \rightarrow -\infty} G_{E,M}(q^2)}_{\text{space-like}} = \lim_{q^2 \rightarrow +\infty} G_{E,M}(q^2) \underbrace{\quad}_{\text{time-like}}$$



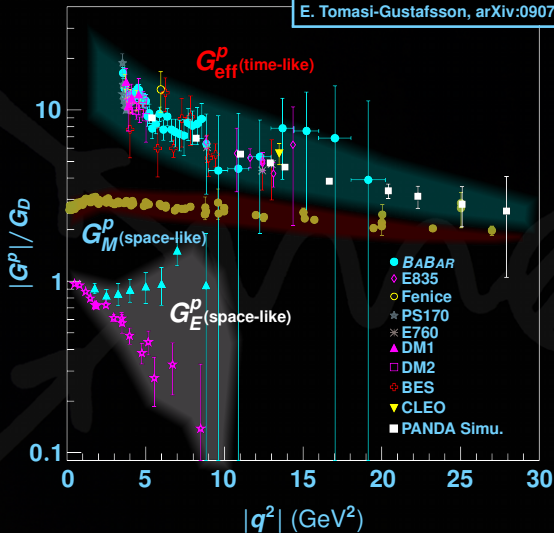
$$G_{E,M} \underset{q^2 \rightarrow +\infty}{\sim} (q^2)^{-2} \quad \text{real}$$





# THE ASYMPTOTIC REGIONS<sub>2</sub>

E. Tomasi-Gustafsson and M. P. Rekalo, PLB504,291  
E. Tomasi-Gustafsson, arXiv:0907.4442



— pQCD —

$$G_{\text{eff}}^p(q^2) \underset{q^2 \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} G_M^p(q^2)$$

— Phragmèn Lindelöf —

$$\lim_{q^2 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{G_{\text{eff}}^p(q^2)}{G_M^p(-q^2)} = 1$$

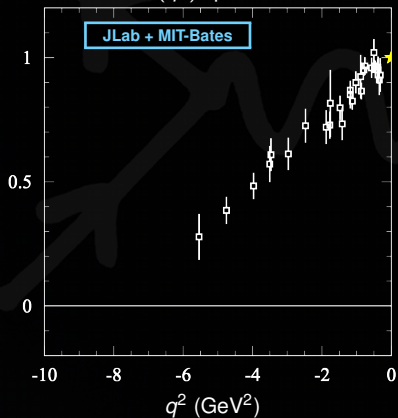
$$\text{ANALYTIC } R = \mu G_E / G_M$$

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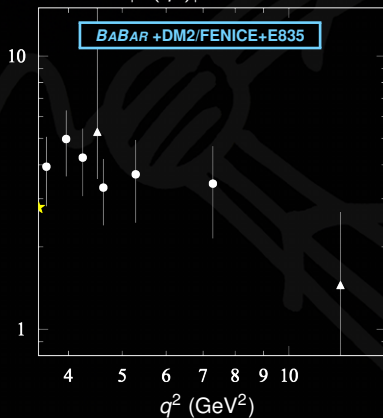
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$R(q^2)$  space-like



$|R(q^2)|$  time-like



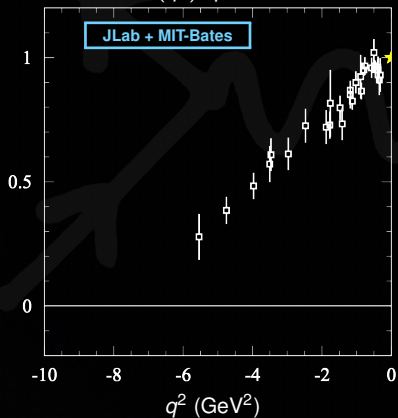
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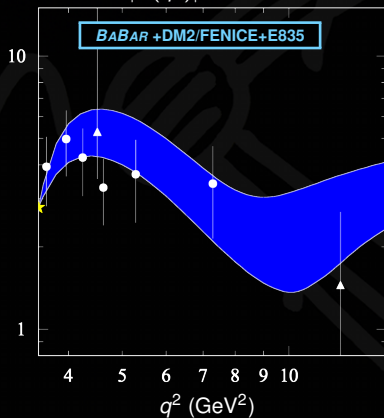
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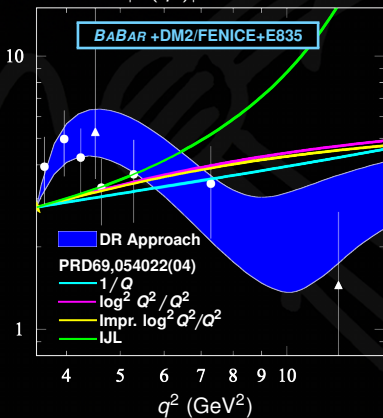
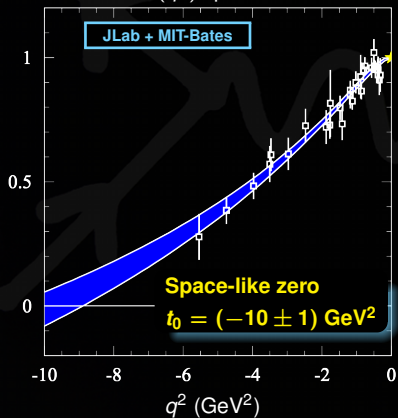
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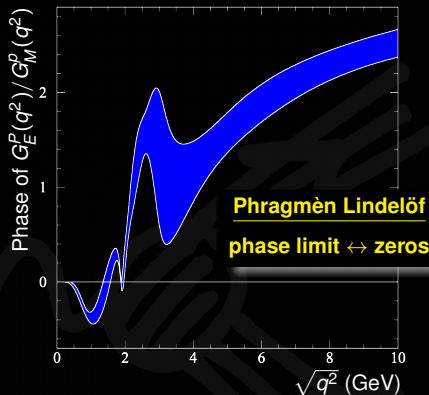
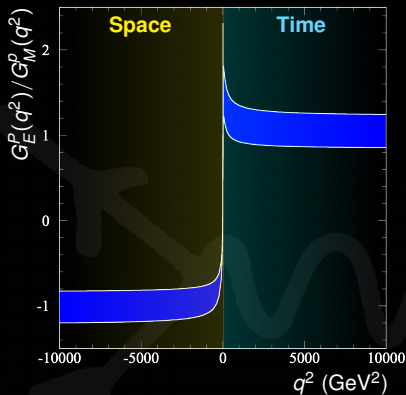


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# ASYMPTOTIC $G_E/G_M$ AND PHASE



pQCD prediction

$$\frac{G_E^p(q^2)}{G_M^p(q^2)} \xrightarrow{|q^2| \rightarrow \infty} -1$$

Phase from DR

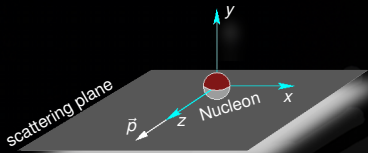
$$\phi(q^2) = -\frac{\sqrt{q^2 - s_{th}}}{\pi} \text{Pr} \int_{s_{th}}^{\infty} \frac{\ln |R(s)| ds}{\sqrt{s - s_{th}}(s - q^2)}$$

# POLARIZATION FORMULAE IN THE TIME-LIKE REGION

The ratio  $R(q^2)$  is complex for  $q^2 \geq 4M_\pi^2$

$$R(q^2) = \mu_p \frac{G_E(q^2)}{G_M(q^2)} = |R(q^2)| e^{i\rho(q^2)}$$

The polarization depends on the phase  $\rho$



[A.Z. Dubnickova, S. Dubnicka, M.P. Rekalo, NCA109,241(96)]

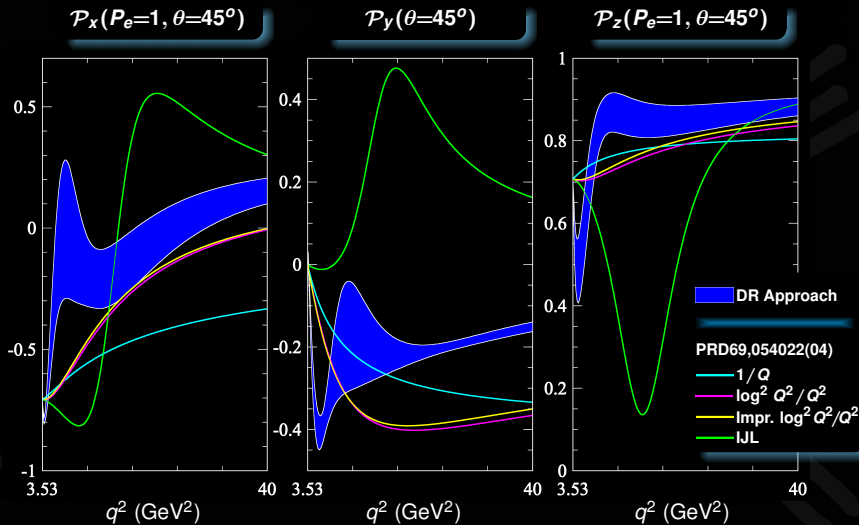
$$\mathcal{P}_y = - \frac{\sin(2\theta) |R| \sin(\rho)}{D\sqrt{\tau}} = \frac{d\sigma^\uparrow - d\sigma^\downarrow}{d\sigma^\uparrow + d\sigma^\downarrow} \equiv \mathcal{A}_y \left. \vphantom{\frac{\sin(2\theta) |R| \sin(\rho)}{D\sqrt{\tau}}} \right\} \text{Does not depend on } P_e$$

$$\mathcal{P}_x = - P_e \frac{2 \sin(2\theta) |R| \cos(\rho)}{D\sqrt{\tau}}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_z = P_e \frac{2 \cos(\theta)}{D} \left. \vphantom{\frac{2 \cos(\theta)}{D}} \right\} \text{Does not depend on } \rho$$

$$D = \frac{1 + \cos^2 \theta + \frac{1}{\tau} |R|^2 \sin^2 \theta}{\mu}, \quad \tau = \frac{q^2}{4M^2}, \quad P_e = \text{electron polarization}$$







# SINGLE POLARIZATION








# CONCLUSIONS PHYS. REV. 550-551 (2015) 1

**Global models in space and time-like regions** for proton and neutron, electric and magnetic form factors must be encouraged.

They can help in understanding:

-  the threshold behavior
-  the proton radius
-  the presence of zeros
-  the asymptotic behavior
-  the unphysical region
-  ...

**To measure:**

-  zero of  $G_E^p$  in space-like region
-  moduli of  $G_E$  and  $G_M$  in time-like region
-  complex structure of form factors (polarization)
-  unphysical time-like form factors ( $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$ )
-  ...





# EXPERIMENTS: NOW AND FUTURE

See next talks by  
Vladimir Druzhinin  
Cristina Morales  
Iris Zimmermann



- $G_E^n$  at  $-q^2 = 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$  (Pol.  $^3\text{He}$ )
- $G_E^p$  and  $G_M^p$  for  $-q^2 \leq 2.0 \text{ GeV}^2$

Space-like  
region



- [Hall A]  $G_E^p / G_M^p$  up to  $10.2 \text{ GeV}^2$
- [Hall B]  $G_M^n$  (deuterium) up to  $14 \text{ GeV}^2$
- [Hall A]  $G_M^n$  (ratio) up to  $18 \text{ GeV}^2$
- [Hall C]  $G_E^n$  up to  $7 \text{ GeV}^2$



at VEPP-2000  
 $e^+e^-$  collider



$|G_{\text{eff}}^p|, |G_{\text{eff}}^n|$  (scan)  
 $q^2 \leq (4 \text{ GeV})^2$

BESIII



at BEPCII

$e^+e^-$  collider

$|G_E^p|, |G_M^p|, |G_{\text{eff}}^n|$  (scan and ISR)  
 $q^2 \leq (3.5 \text{ GeV})^2$

Time-like  
region



at FAIR  
 $p\bar{p}$  collider

$|G_E^p|, |G_M^p|, G_E^p / G_M^p$  phase ( $\bar{p}$  polarization?)  
 $(2.4 \text{ GeV})^2 \leq q^2 \leq (3.7 \text{ GeV})^2$



at SuperKEKB

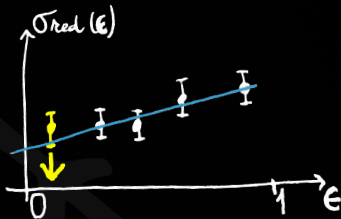
$e^+e^-$  collider

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$|G_E^p|, |G_M^p|, (\text{ISR})$   
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# Additional slides

# THE ANDIVAHIS NORMALIZATION



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The corresponding reduced cross section values are **normalized** in order to be aligned with the other points at the same  $Q^2$ .

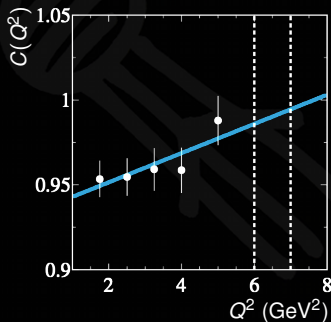
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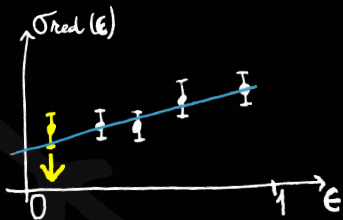
$G_{M0}^2$  and  $R_0^2$  are the parameters obtained by not including  $\{\epsilon_{0j}, \sigma_{0j}, \delta\sigma_{0j}\}$ .

We find that:

-  the correction factor depends on  $Q^2$
-  values  $C(Q_j^2)$  are obtained by a linear fit
-  the correction, if needed, vanishes at high  $Q^2$
-  the first two points are slightly affected by the procedure



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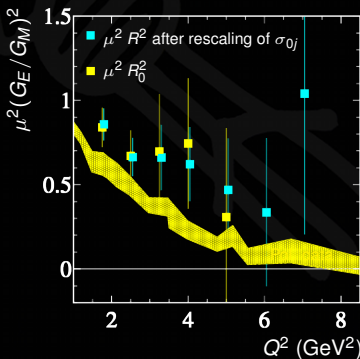
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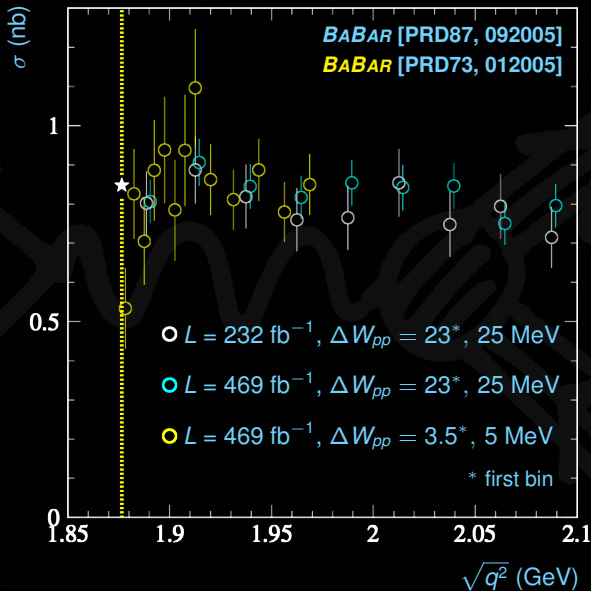
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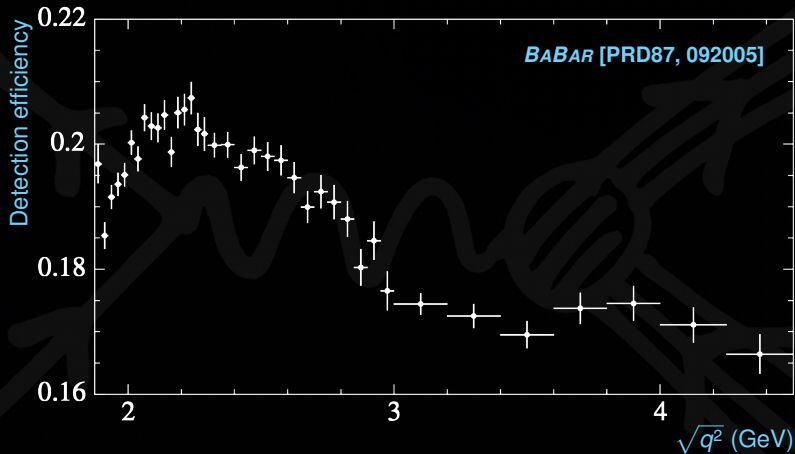
-  The correction does not change the tendency
-  Values of  $R^2$  at high  $Q^2$  do not follow the scaling hypothesis



# THE THRESHOLD REGION<sub>3</sub>



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# PARTIAL WAVE FORM FACTORS



$$\begin{cases} P_\gamma = -1 \\ J_\gamma = 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} P_{p\bar{p}} = (-1)^{L+1} \\ S_{p\bar{p}} = 0, 1 \end{cases}$$



$$\begin{cases} L_{p\bar{p}} = 0, 2 \\ S_{p\bar{p}} = 1 \end{cases}$$

~~$$\begin{cases} L_{p\bar{p}} = 1 \\ S_{p\bar{p}} = 0 \end{cases}$$~~

Partial wave form factors

$$G_S^p = \frac{1}{3} \left( 2G_M^p \sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4M_p^2}} + G_E^p \right)$$

$$G_D^p = \frac{1}{3} \left( G_M^p \sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4M_p^2}} - G_E^p \right)$$

Cross section

$$\sigma(q^2) = 2\pi\alpha^2\beta \frac{4M_p^2}{(q^2)^2} \left[ C |G_S^p(q^2)|^2 + 2|G_D^p(q^2)|^2 \right]$$

# ENHANCEMENT AND RESUMMATION FACTORS

Coulomb factor  $\mathcal{C}$  for S-wave only

Partial wave FF.....  $G_S = (2G_M\sqrt{\tau} + G_E)/3$ ,  $G_D = (G_M\sqrt{\tau} - G_E)/3$

Cross section.....  $\sigma(q^2) = 2\pi\alpha^2 \frac{\beta}{\tau q^2} \left[ \mathcal{C} |G_S(q^2)|^2 + 2|G_D(q^2)|^2 \right]$

Enhancement and Resummation factors .....

$$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{E} \times \mathcal{R}$$

Enhancement factor

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{\pi\alpha}{\beta}$$

- It is responsible for the **one-photon exchange  $p\bar{p}$  FSI**

- dominates close to threshold:  $\mathcal{C} \underset{\beta \sim 0}{\approx} \mathcal{E}$

- cancels the phase-space factor  $\Rightarrow$

stepwise cross section at threshold

$$\sigma_{p\bar{p}}(4M_p^2) = \frac{\pi^2\alpha^3}{2M_p^2} \frac{\cancel{\beta}}{\cancel{\beta}} |G_S^p(4M_p^2)|^2 = 0.85 |G_S^p(4M_p^2)|^2 \text{ nb}$$

Resummation factor

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-\frac{\pi\alpha}{\beta}}}$$

- It is responsible for the **multi-photon exchange  $p\bar{p}$  FSI**

- becomes ineffective few MeV above threshold:  $\mathcal{R} \underset{\beta > 0}{\approx} 1$

- must account also for gluon exchange

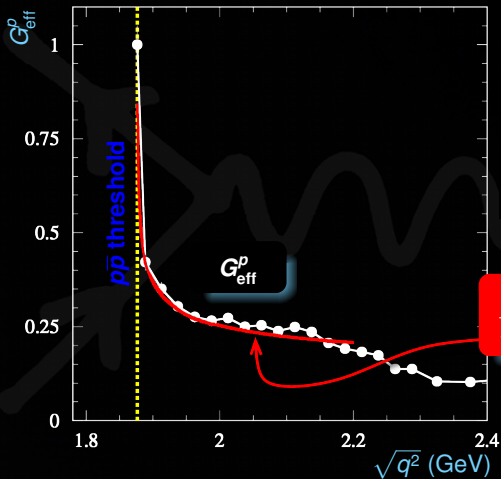
$$\mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_s = \left[ 1 - \exp(-\pi\alpha_s/\tilde{\beta}) \right]^{-1}$$

$$\alpha_s \simeq 0.5$$

$$\tilde{\beta} = \beta/(1-\beta)$$



$G_{\text{eff}}^p$ , WE GET WHAT WE PUT IN...



$$G_{\text{eff}}^p(q^2) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\mathcal{R}} \frac{\sigma_{p\bar{p}}(q^2)}{\mathcal{E} \frac{16\pi\alpha^2}{3} \frac{\beta}{4q^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\tau}\right)}}$$

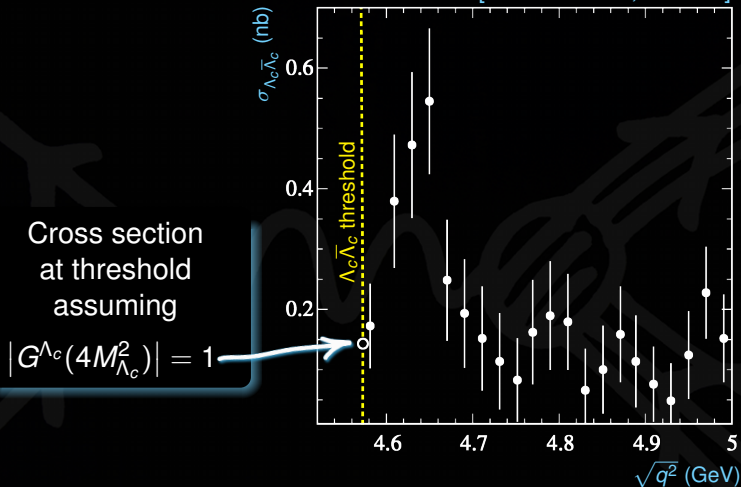
$$\mathcal{E} \frac{16\pi\alpha^2}{3} \frac{\beta}{4q^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\tau}\right) \Big|_{\beta \rightarrow 0} \simeq \sigma_{p\bar{p}}(q^2)$$

$$G_{\text{eff}}^p(q^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathcal{R}}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathcal{R}}} = \sqrt{1 - e^{-\frac{\pi\alpha}{\beta}}}$$

# THE $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c \bar{\Lambda}_c$ CROSS SECTION

[Belle PRL101, 172001]



BESIII is working on that  
New results are coming soon

# ISOTROPY AT THE $p\bar{p}$ PRODUCTION THRESHOLD

$$G_E(4M^2) = G_M(4M^2)$$



Electromagnetic current:

$$J^\mu(p_1, p_2) = \bar{U}(p_2) \left[ \gamma^\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2M} F_2(q^2) \right] U(p_1)$$

$$\text{F1} \quad F_1 = \frac{q^2 G_E - 4M^2 G_M}{q^2 - 4M^2} \quad \text{F2} \quad F_2 = 4M^2 \frac{G_M - G_E}{q^2 - 4M^2}$$



$F_1$  and  $F_2$  “can” be analytic (pointlike limit:  $F_1(q^2) = 1$  and  $F_2(q^2) = 0$ )



Annihilation cross section  $[\tilde{G}_{E,M} \equiv G_{E,M}(4M^2)]$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta C}{4q^2} \left[ (1 + \cos^2\theta) |G_M|^2 + \frac{1}{\tau} \sin^2\theta |G_E|^2 \right] \xrightarrow[q^2 \rightarrow 4M^2]{|\tilde{G}_E| = |\tilde{G}_M|} \frac{\alpha^2 \beta C}{16M^2} [2|\tilde{G}_M|^2]$$



Partial wave form factors

$$\text{GS} \quad G_S = \frac{2\sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4M^2}} G_M + G_E}{3} \xrightarrow[q^2 \rightarrow 4M^2]{} \tilde{G}_M \quad \text{GD} \quad G_D = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4M^2}} G_M - G_E}{3} \xrightarrow[q^2 \rightarrow 4M^2]{} 0$$

# ANISOTROPY AT THE PRODUCTION THRESHOLD

$$G_E(4M^2) \neq G_M(4M^2)$$

Dirac and Pauli form factors  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are not analytic

To preserve  $G_E$  and  $G_M$  analyticity,  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  must have a **simple pole** at the threshold with **opposite residues**

$$F_1 = \frac{-4M^2 \Delta \tilde{G}}{q^2 - 4M^2} + F_1^{\text{an}}$$

$$F_2 = \frac{4M^2 \Delta \tilde{G}}{q^2 - 4M^2} + F_2^{\text{an}}$$

$$\Delta \tilde{G} \equiv \tilde{G}_E - \tilde{G}_M$$

$F_{1,2}^{\text{an}}$  is the analytic part of  $F_{1,2}$

Annihilation cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \xrightarrow{q^2 \rightarrow 4M^2} \frac{\alpha^2 \beta C}{8M^2} \left[ |\tilde{G}_M|^2 + \text{Re} \left( \Delta \tilde{G} \tilde{G}_M^* \right) \sin^2 \theta \right]$$

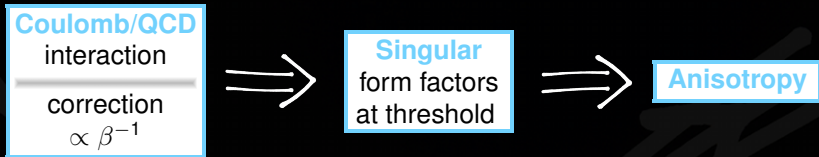
Assuming  
 $|\Delta \tilde{G}| \ll |\tilde{G}_M|$

Partial wave form factors

$$G_S = \frac{2\sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4M^2}} G_M + G_E}{3} \xrightarrow{q^2 \rightarrow 4M^2} \tilde{G}_M + \frac{\Delta \tilde{G}}{3}$$

$$G_D = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4M^2}} G_M - G_E}{3} \xrightarrow{q^2 \rightarrow 4M^2} -\frac{\Delta \tilde{G}}{3}$$

# SOURCES OF ANISOTROPY



## Only Coulomb

Dmitriev, Milstein, PLB722 (13) 83

$$\tilde{G}_D \sim -\frac{\alpha^2}{8}$$

Very small  
but not vanishing!

## QCD Coulomb like

Brodsky, Hoang, Kuhn, Teubner,  
PB359 (95) 355

**Large effect for  
heavy quarks**

Anisotropy  $\propto \beta^n$   
No effect at threshold!

# MEASURING ANISOTROPY AT THRESHOLD

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow p \bar{p}$$

SND

CMD3

**Very difficult**

Efficiency drops with proton antiproton velocity

$$p \bar{p} \rightarrow e^+ e^-$$

PANDA

**Very difficult**

Normalization (Coulomb corrections...)

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow p \bar{p} \gamma$$

BABAR

BESIII

**Difficult**

ISR technique: not enough statistics

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow H_B \bar{H}_B$$

BESIII

**Feasible with heavy baryons**

The weak decay allows detection at threshold and polarization measurements (BESIII has...)