

# Time-like Baryon Form Factors at threshold

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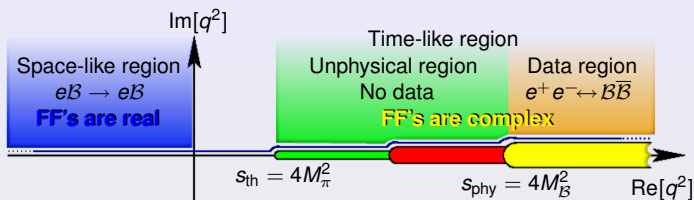
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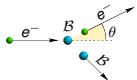
# Cross sections and analyticity



Time-like: had. helicity =  $\begin{cases} 1 \Rightarrow |G_E| \\ 0 \Rightarrow |G_M| \end{cases}$

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

## Elastic scattering

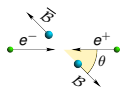


$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 E_e' \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{4E_e^3 \sin^4 \frac{\theta}{2}} \left[ G_E^2 - \tau \left( 1 + 2(1-\tau) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right) G_M^2 \right] \frac{1}{1-\tau}$$

$$\tau = \frac{q^2}{4M_B^2}$$

## Annihilation

### Coulomb correction

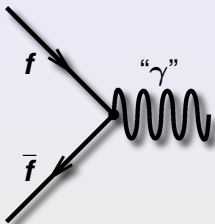


$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta C}{4q^2} \left[ (1 + \cos^2 \theta) |G_M|^2 + \frac{1}{\tau} \sin^2 \theta |G_E|^2 \right]$$

$$\beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\tau}}$$



# $f\bar{f}$ electromagnetic current structure<sub>1</sub>



$$J_0 \equiv 0$$

$$J_z \propto M$$

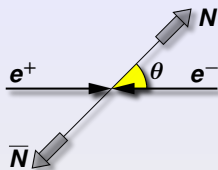
$$J_x \pm iJ_y \propto E$$

$$|1, 0\rangle$$

$$|1, \pm 1\rangle$$

$e^+e^- : m_e \ll E_e \Rightarrow \text{"}\gamma\text{" polarized like a real } \gamma$

# $f\bar{f}$ electromagnetic current structure<sub>2</sub>



$$|1, 1\rangle_z = \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{2} |+\rangle - \frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle + \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2} |-\rangle$$

Space-like Breit frame:

$N_{in}$	Helicity Alignment
$\frac{2M}{W} \mathbf{G}_E$	Opposite
$\mathbf{G}_M$	Same

Time-like c.m. frame:

$$\bar{N}_{out}(-p) \equiv N_{out}(p)$$

$N$	Helicity Alignment
$\mathbf{G}_E$	Same $ 0\rangle$
$\mathbf{G}_M$	Opposite $ \pm\rangle$

$$\left(\frac{1 + \cos \theta}{2}\right)^2 |\mathbf{G}_M|^2 + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{2} \frac{4M^2}{W^2} |\mathbf{G}_E|^2 + \left(\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2}\right)^2 |\mathbf{G}_M|^2$$



# S and D wave

$$\begin{cases} P_\gamma = -1 & P_{N\bar{N}} = (-1)^L \times (-1) \Rightarrow L = 0, 2 \\ J_\gamma = 1 & S = 0 : L = 1 \text{ forbidden} \longrightarrow S = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$G_E = G_S - 2G_D \qquad G_M = \frac{G_S + G_D}{W/2M}$$

At threshold S wave only:  $G_E = G_M$

$$\begin{cases} G_E = F_1 + \frac{W^2}{4M^2} F_2 \\ G_M = F_1 + F_2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow G_E = G_M$$



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

### Detailed balance

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}) \cdot \frac{\beta_p}{\beta_e} = \sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow e^+e^-) \cdot \frac{\beta_e}{\beta_p}$$

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

$\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow e^+e^-)$  divergent  $\rightarrow$  normalization?  $p\bar{p}$  atom?

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

experimental energy cut, but **ISR** OK



# Polarized beams

$e^+e^-$ :

Longitudinal

$$\left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \equiv \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

Unless  $P$  violation  
(weak interaction)

$$\left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \equiv \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \equiv 0 \Rightarrow \text{al } \times 2 ?$$

Transverse

$$\left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle + e^{\pm i\phi} \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \Rightarrow |G_M|^2 \times \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle + e^{i\phi} \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \equiv 0 \text{ no info on } \text{Re}[G_E^* G_M]$$

$p\bar{p}$ : transverse  $G_M$  same as  $e^+e^-$

$$\left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle + e^{i\phi} \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \equiv 0 \rightarrow \frac{M}{E} G_E |1, 0\rangle$$

but  $G_E |1, 0\rangle = \underbrace{\frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} G_E |+\rangle + \cos \theta G_E |0\rangle}_{\text{interference}} + \underbrace{\frac{\sin \theta}{2} G_E |-\rangle}_{\text{interference}}$

Interference with  $G_M$  contribution:  $\text{Re}[G_E^* G_M]$

$$G_E \neq G_M \Rightarrow \cos(\phi_E - \phi_M)$$





# Final State Coulomb Interaction

$$T_{fi} = \langle \chi_f | V | \psi_i^+ \rangle$$

$$V = W + U$$

$$\psi^\pm = \chi + \frac{1}{E - H_0 + \epsilon} V \Phi^\pm$$

$$\phi^\pm = \chi + \frac{1}{E - H_0 + \epsilon} U \Phi^\pm$$

$$\Phi^\pm = \chi + \frac{1}{E - H_0 + \epsilon} W \Phi^\pm$$

$$T_{fi} = \langle \phi_f^- | V | \Phi_i^+ \rangle + \langle \psi_f^- - \phi_f^- | U | \Phi_i^+ \rangle$$

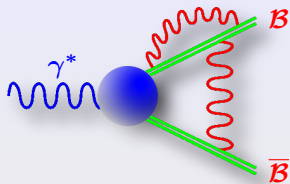
$$T_{fi} \sim \int d^3q' \langle \phi_f^- | \chi_f \rangle \langle \chi_f | V | \Phi_i^+ \rangle \sim \phi(0) \cdot T_{fi}^{\text{No Coulomb}}$$

$\phi(0)$ : Coulomb scattering wave function at the origin

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}) = \frac{\pi\alpha/\beta}{1 - e^{-\pi\alpha/\beta}} \sigma_{\text{Born}}(e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p})$$



# The Coulomb Factor



$p\bar{p}$  Coulomb interaction as FSI

[Sommerfeld, Sakharov, Schwinger, Fadin, Khoze]

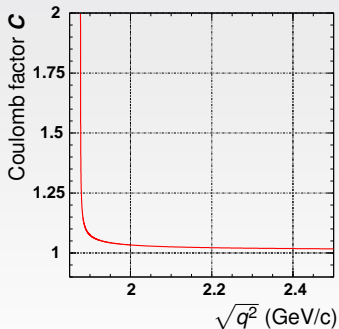
Distorted wave approximation

$$C = |\Psi_{\text{Coul}}(0)|^2$$

● S-wave: 
$$C = \frac{\frac{\pi\alpha}{\beta}}{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\pi\alpha}{\beta}\right)} \xrightarrow{\beta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\pi\alpha}{\beta}$$

● D-wave:  $C = 1$

No Coulomb factor for boson pairs (P-wave)



# Sommerfeld Enhancement and Resummation Factors

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

● Partial wave FF:  $G_S = \frac{2G_M \sqrt{q^2/4M^2} + G_E}{3}$       $G_D = \frac{G_M \sqrt{q^2/4M^2} - G_E}{3}$

● Cross section:  $\sigma(q^2) = 2\pi\alpha^2\beta \frac{4M^2}{(q^2)^2} [\mathcal{C} |G_S(q^2)|^2 + 2|G_D(q^2)|^2]$

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

● Enhancement factor:  $\mathcal{E} = \pi\alpha/\beta$

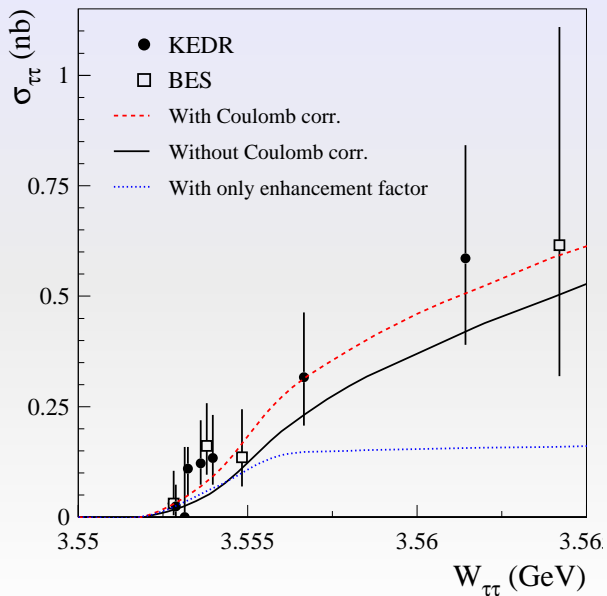
● Step at threshold:  $\sigma(4M^2) = \frac{\pi^2\alpha^3}{2M^2} \frac{\beta}{\beta} |G_S(4M^2)|^2 = 0.85 |G_S(4M^2)|^2 \text{ nb}$

● Resummation factor:  $\mathcal{R} = 1/[1 - \exp(-\pi\alpha/\beta)]$

● Few MeV above threshold:  $\mathcal{C} \simeq 1 \Rightarrow \sigma(q^2) \propto \beta |G_S(q^2)|^2$



# The $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ case





# Pointlike Baryons?

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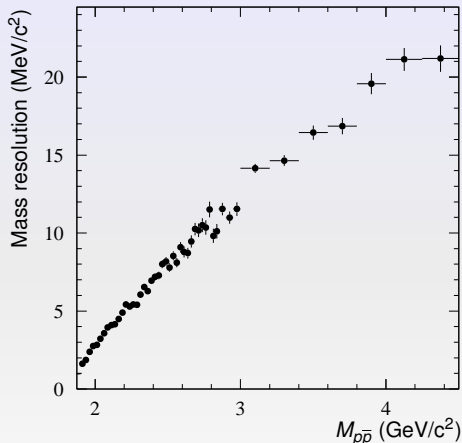
## Advantages

- All  $q$  at the same time  $\implies$  Better control on systematics
- c.m. boost  $\implies$  at threshold **efficiency  $\neq 0$**  +  $\sigma_W \sim 1 \text{ MeV}$
- Detected ISR  $\gamma \implies$  full  $p\bar{p}$  angular coverage

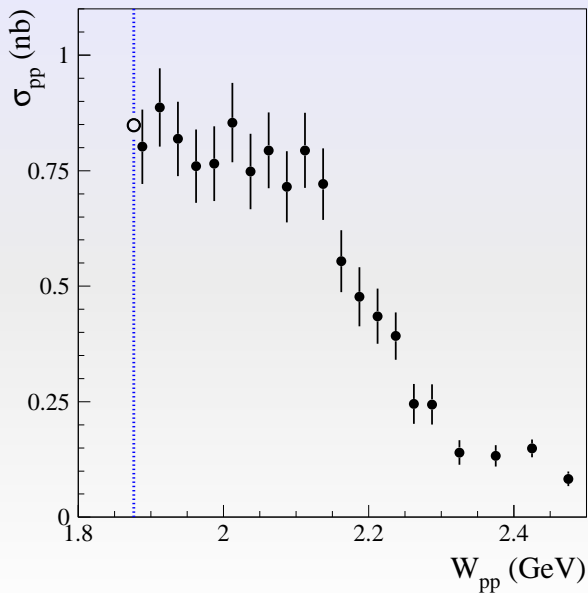
## Drawbacks

- $\mathcal{L} \propto$  invariant mass bin  $\Delta w$
- More background

# Mass resolution



Incredibly good at threshold ( $\sim 1 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ ), as  $e^+e^-$  c.m.  
 $\Delta p_T/p_T \sim 0.5\%$  at 1 GeV





# Proton form factor at $q^2 = 4M_p^2$

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p})(4M_p^2) = 0.83 \pm 0.05 \text{ nb}$$

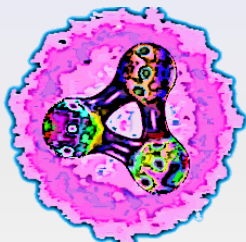
**BABAR**

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p})(4M_p^2) = \frac{\pi^2 \alpha^3}{2M_p^2} \cancel{\beta} |G^p(4M_p^2)|^2 = 0.85 |G^p(4M_p^2)|^2 \text{ nb}$$

$$|G^p(4M_p^2)| \equiv 1$$

$$|G^p(4M_p^2)| = 0.99 \pm 0.04(\text{stat}) \pm 0.03(\text{syst})$$

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**At  $q^2 = 4M_p^2$  protons behave  
as pointlike fermions!**



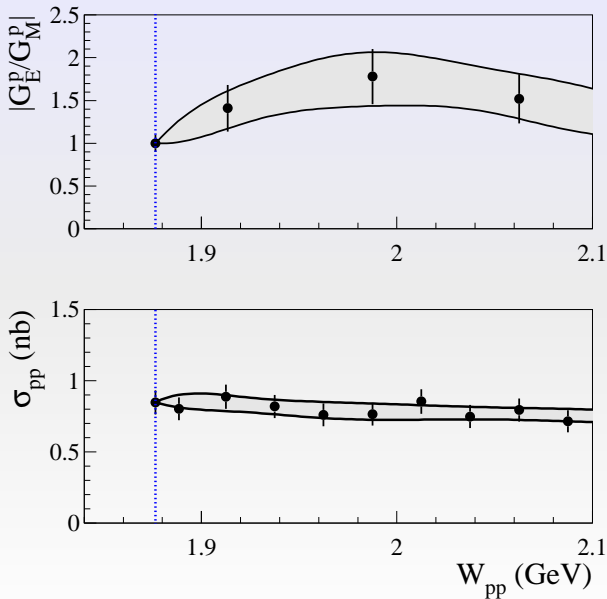
# Sommerfeld Resummation Factor Needed?

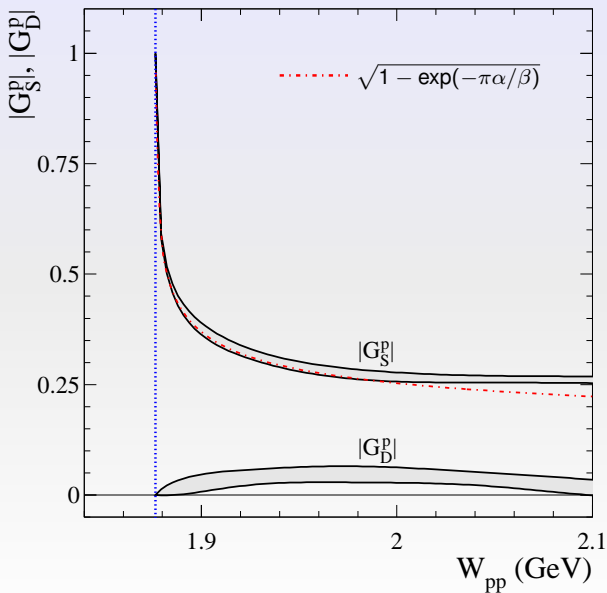
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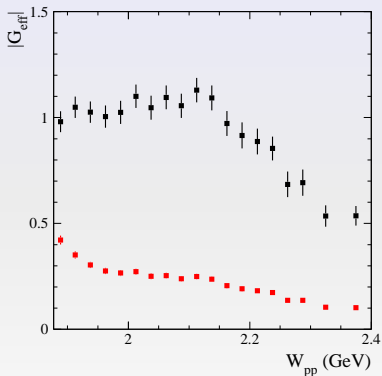
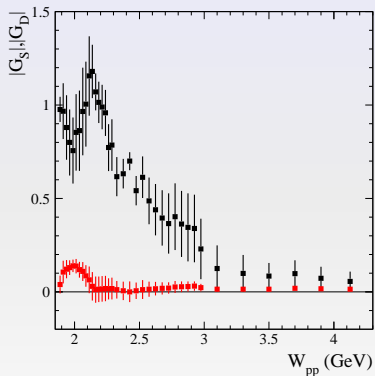
- At threshold:  $G_E/G_M = 1 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} G_S \in \mathbb{R} \\ G_D = 0 \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$
- $\sigma(q^2), |G_E/G_M| \rightarrow G_S, G_D$
- $G_S = 1/\sqrt{1 - \exp(-\pi\alpha/\beta)}$
- **No need of Resummation Factor**

## For a wide energy range ( $\sim 200$ MeV):

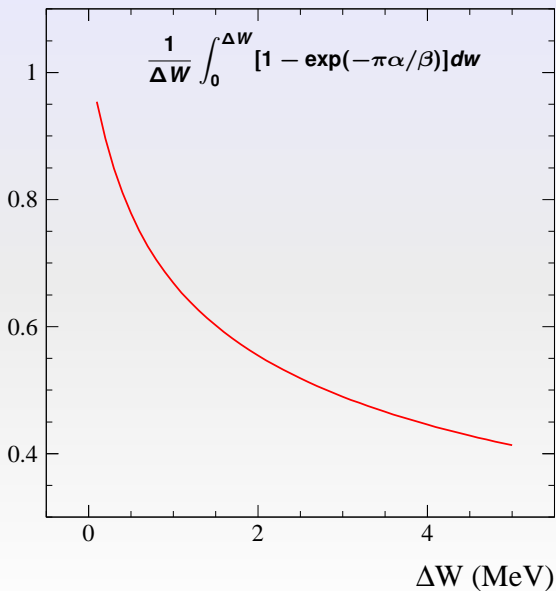
- Proton behaves as a pointlike particle
- e.m. dominance, no strong interaction?
- Mild sensitivity to  $B\bar{B}$  invariant mass resolution







# Integrated Sommerfeld factor



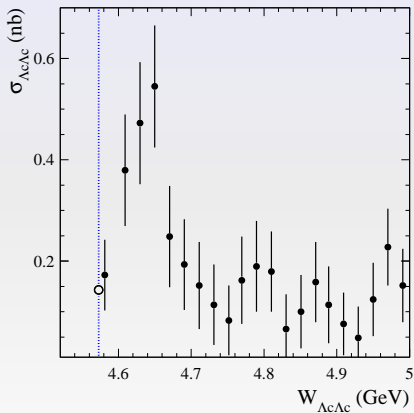


A complex hand-drawn diagram on a white background, featuring a network of intersecting lines, circles, and arrows. The lines are mostly straight but some are curved, and they connect various points, some of which are marked with small circles or dots. The overall appearance is that of a technical sketch or a Feynman diagram, possibly representing particle interactions or form factors. The text is overlaid on this diagram.

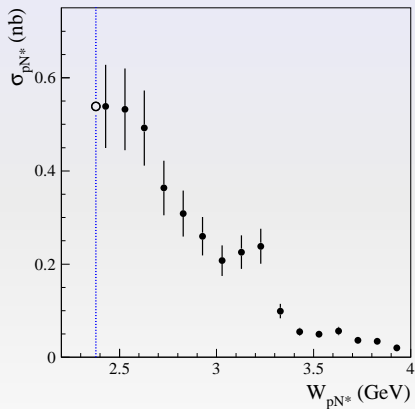
# Other charged baryon FF's at threshold

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{\Lambda}_c^- \text{ and } e^+e^- \rightarrow p \bar{N}(1440) + \text{c.c.}$$

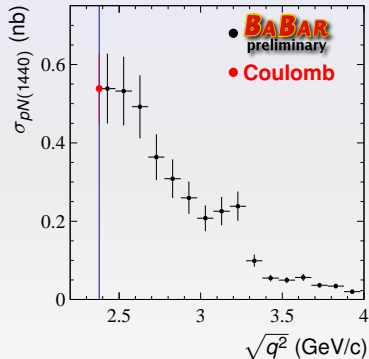
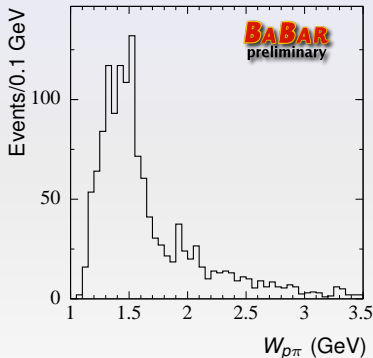
[Belle PRL101, 172001]



[BABAR PRD73, 012005]

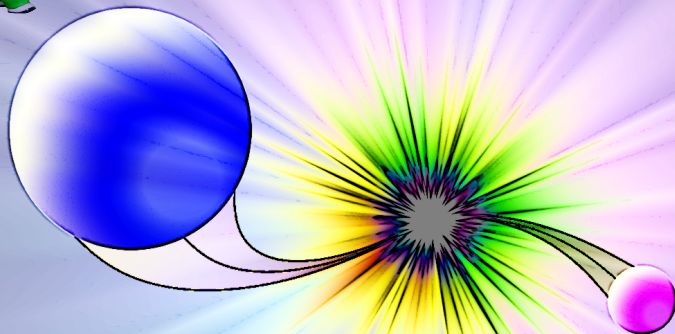


$$\sigma_{\text{Coulomb}} = \frac{16\pi^2 \alpha^3 M_p^{3/2} M_{N(1440)}^{3/2}}{(M_p + M_{N(1440)})^5} |G^{pN(1440)}|^2 = |G^{pN(1440)}|^2 \times 0.49 \text{ nb}$$



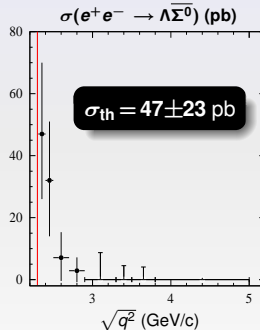
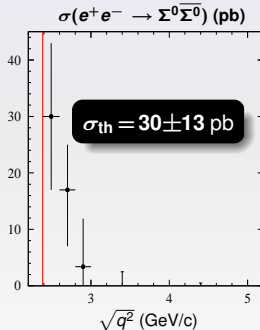
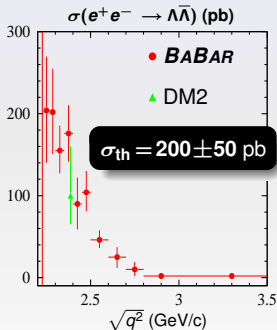
$$|G^{pN(1440)}| = 1.04 \pm 0.09$$

# The neutral baryons puzzle



$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow B^0\bar{B}^0) = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2\beta C_0}{3q^2} \left[ |G_M^{B^0}|^2 + \frac{2M_{B^0}^2}{q^2} |G_E^{B^0}|^2 \right] \xrightarrow{\sqrt{q^2} \rightarrow 2M_{B^0}} \frac{\pi\alpha^2\beta}{2M_{B^0}^2} |G^{B^0}|^2 \rightarrow 0$$

No Coulomb correction at hadron level:  $C_0 = 1$



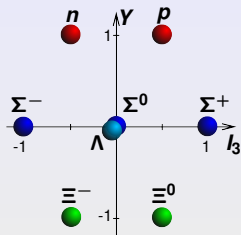
Like a remnant of  
Coulomb interactions  
at quark level?

$$C_0 \propto \beta^{-1}$$

as  $\sqrt{q^2} \rightarrow 2M_{B^0}$

For any neutral baryon

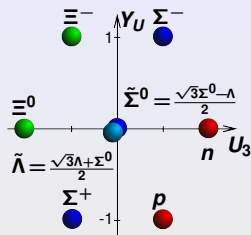
$$\sqrt{\sigma_{B^0\bar{B}^0}} \propto \frac{|G^{B^0}|}{M_{B^0}}$$



$$(Y, I_3) \rightarrow (Y_U, U_3)$$

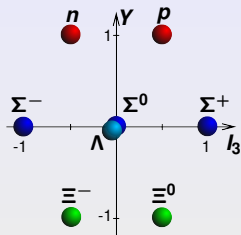
$$U_3 = -\frac{1}{2}I_3 + \frac{3}{4}Y$$

$$Y_U = -Q$$



U-spin relation:  $G^{\Sigma^0} - G^{\Lambda} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}G^{\Lambda\Sigma^0} = 0$

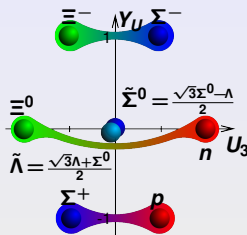
$$M_{\Sigma^0} \sqrt{\sigma_{\Sigma^0 \Sigma^0}} - M_{\Lambda} \sqrt{\sigma_{\Lambda \bar{\Lambda}}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} M_{\Lambda \Sigma^0} \sqrt{\sigma_{\Lambda \Sigma^0}} = (-0.06 \pm 6.0) \times 10^{-4}$$



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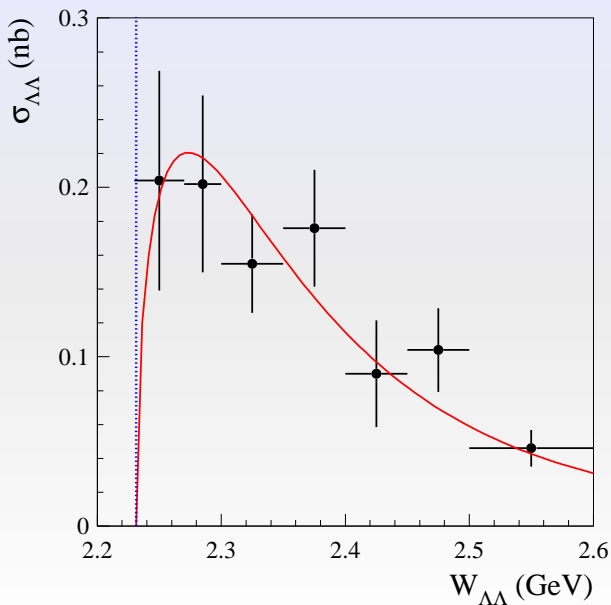
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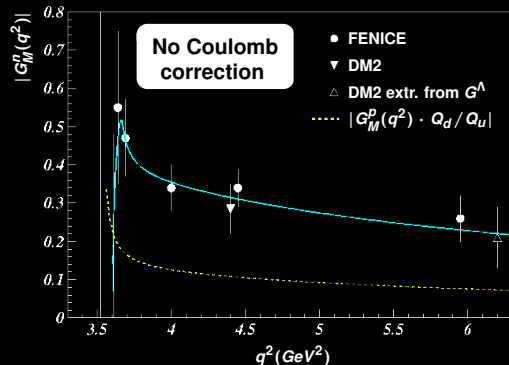
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# Time-like $|G_M^n|$ measurements

Only two measurements by FENICE and DM2



	$ G_M^n/G_M^p $
Data	$\sim 1.5$
Naively	$\sim  Q_d/Q_u $
pQCD	$< 1$
Soliton models	$\sim 1$
VMD	$\gg 1$

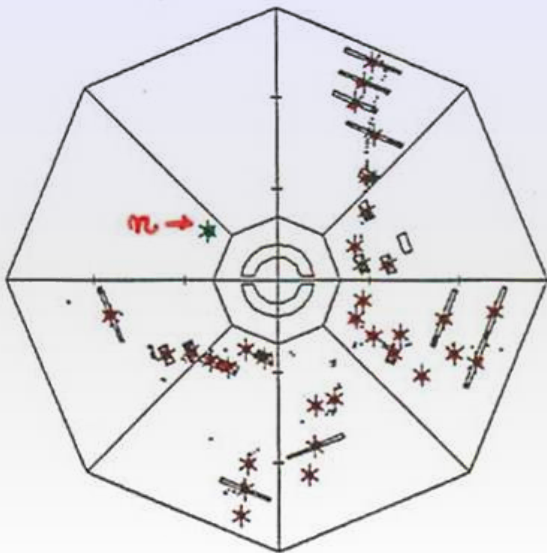
**Threshold behaviour  
from angular distribution**

$$G_M^n(4M_n^2) = G_E^n(4M_n^2) = 0?$$

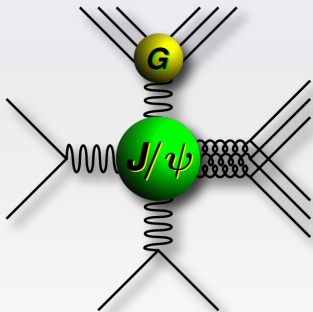
**BABAR** does agree with FENICE

$$\text{Large } G_M^A \xrightarrow{\text{U-spin}} \text{large } G_M^n$$

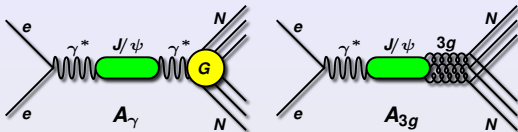
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow n\bar{n} \text{ (FENICE)}$$



# $J/\psi$ strong and electromagnetic phase



# $J/\psi$ decays: strong and electromagnetic



$$\text{cross section} \sim |A_\gamma + A_{3g}|^2 = |A_\gamma|^2 + |A_{3g}|^2 + \underbrace{2 \operatorname{Re}[A_\gamma^* A_{3g}]}_{\text{interference term}}$$

**According to pQCD:  $A_\gamma$  and  $A_{3g}$  are real  $\Rightarrow$  interference**

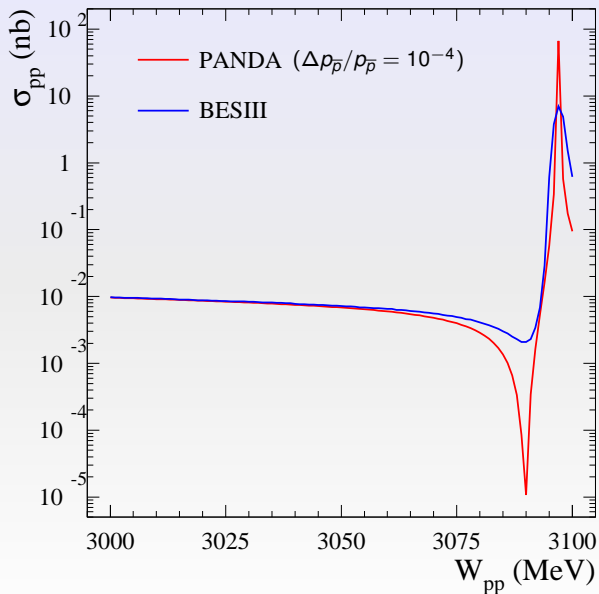
On the contrary data suggest:

$J/\psi \rightarrow J_1^P J_2^P$	$\frac{A_\gamma}{A_{3g}}$ phase
$1^- 0^-$	$106^\circ \pm 10^\circ$
$1^- 1^-$	$138^\circ \pm 37^\circ$
$0^- 0^-$	$90^\circ \pm 10^\circ$
$n\bar{n}$	$89^\circ \pm 15^\circ$

But these conclusions have been obtained modeling SU(3) breaking, or using poorly measured  $n\bar{n}$  cross section outside  $J/\psi$

**Interference with the continuum measures the relative phase in an independent way**

# Full interference as seen by PANDA or BESIII

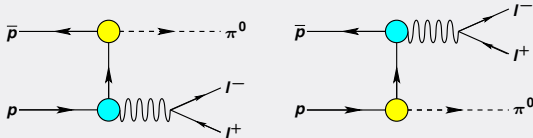


# Conclusions

- Pointlike Behavior at and well above threshold
- No Sommerfeld Resummation Factor
- Neutral Baryons Puzzle

## Perspectives

- More data from *BABAR* ( $\times 2$ ) and Belle (?)
- BESIII: ISR now, scan 2012-2013
- PANDA unique opportunity: FF below threshold exploiting  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \pi^0 I^+ I^-$



Expected narrow forward/backward peaks