

Proton pair production cross sections at BESIII

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The logo for BESIII, featuring the letters 'B', 'E', 'S', and 'III' in a stylized font. The 'B' is blue, the 'E' is red, the 'S' is green, and the 'III' is black.

Outline

■ Introduction

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- BESIII data samples
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■ Measurement of **Proton Form Factors** at BESIII

- Cross section and effective FFs
- Electromagnetic FFs ratio

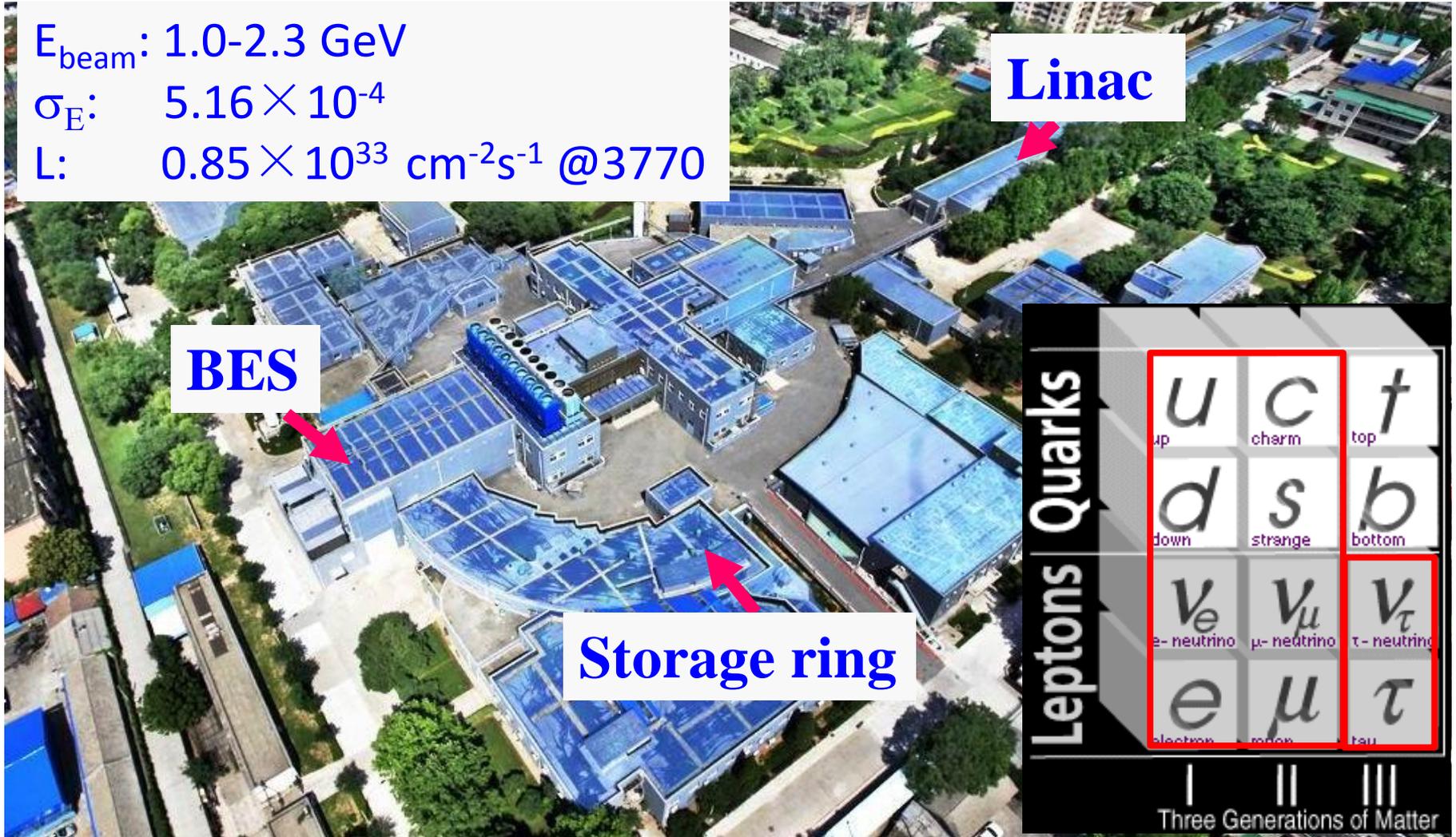
■ Summary and Prospect

Beijing Electron Positron Collider

E_{beam} : 1.0-2.3 GeV

σ_E : 5.16×10^{-4}

L: $0.85 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ @3770



Linac

BES

Storage ring

Quarks	u up	c charm	t top
	d down	s strange	b bottom
	ν_e e- neutrino	ν_μ μ - neutrino	ν_τ τ - neutrino
Leptons	e electron	μ muon	τ tau
I II III Three Generations of Matter			

BEijing Spectrometer III

Main Drift Chamber

Small cell, 43 layer

$\sigma_{xy} = 130 \mu\text{m}$, $dE/dx \sim 6\%$

$\sigma_p/p = 0.5\%$ at 1 GeV

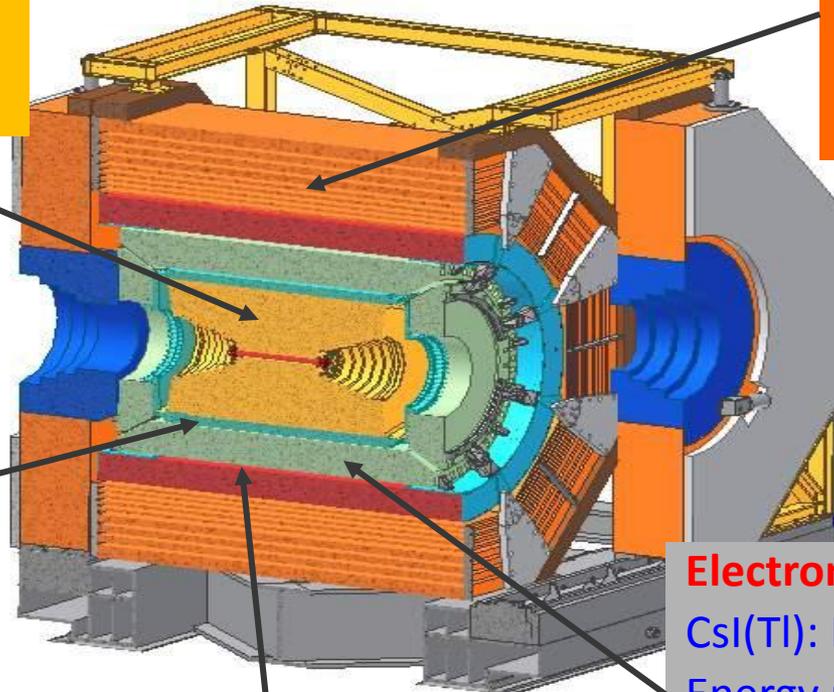
Muon Counter

Resistive plate chamber

Barrel: 9 layers

Endcaps: 8 layers

$\sigma_{\text{spatial}} = 1.48 \text{ cm}$



Time Of Flight

Plastic scintillator

$\sigma_T(\text{barrel}) = 80 \text{ ps}$

$\sigma_T(\text{endcap}) = 110 \text{ ps}$

Electromagnetic Calorimeter

CsI(Tl): $L = 28 \text{ cm}$ ($15X_0$)

Energy range: 0.02-2 GeV

Barrel $\sigma_E = 2.5\%$, $\sigma_l = 6 \text{ mm}$

Endcap $\sigma_E = 5.0\%$, $\sigma_l = 9 \text{ mm}$

SC Magnet 1.0T

BESIII data samples

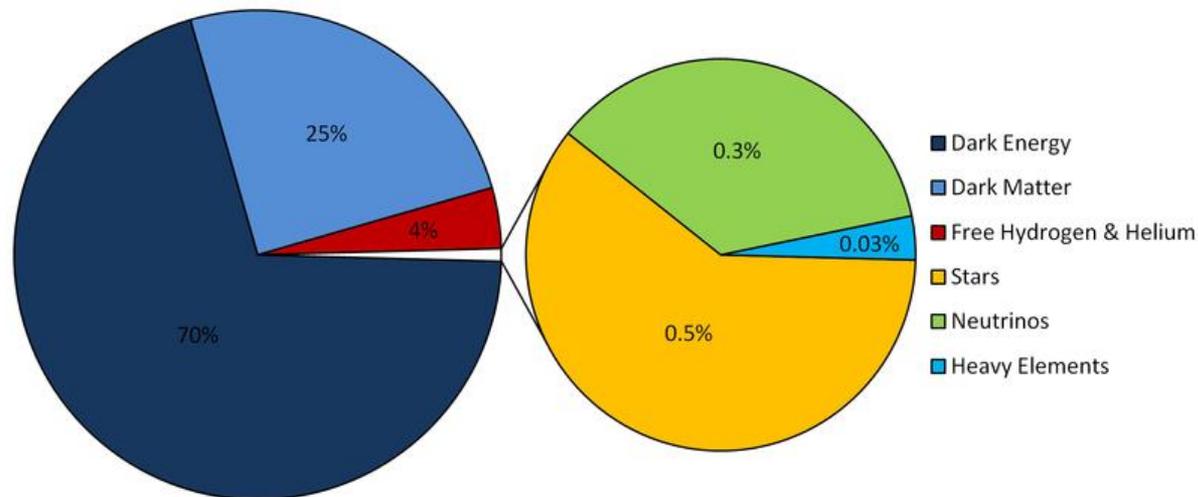
■ Data taken in BEPCII till May 2015:

Taking data	Total Num. / Lum.	Taking time
J/ψ	225+1086 M	2009+2012
$\psi(2S)$	106+350 M	2009+2012
$\psi(3770)$	2916 pb ⁻¹	2010~2011
τ scan	24 pb ⁻¹	2011
Y(4260)/Y(4230)/Y(4360)/scan	806/1054/523/488 pb ⁻¹	2012~2013
4600/4470/4530/4575/4420	506/100/100/42/993 pb ⁻¹	2014
J/ψ line-shape scan	100 pb ⁻¹	2012
R scan (2.23, 3.40) GeV	12 pb ⁻¹	2012
R scan (3.85, 4.59) GeV	795 pb ⁻¹	2013~2014
R scan (2.0, 3.08) GeV	~525 pb ⁻¹	2014~2015

The red color marks the data sets used in proton form factor analysis.

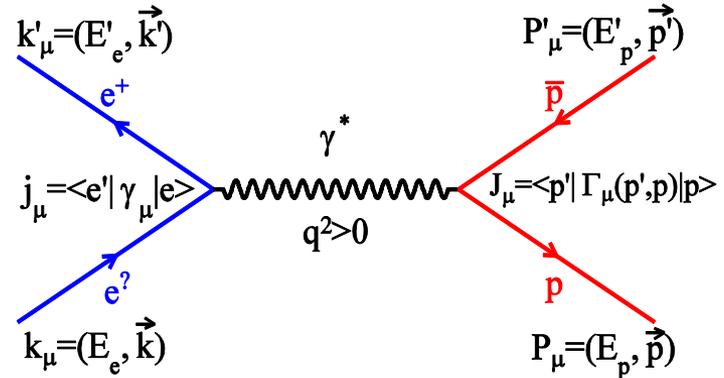
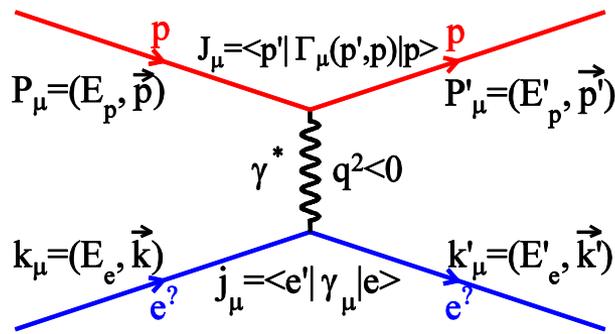
Nucleon Electromagnetic FFs

- The **universe** is commonly defined as the **totality of everything that exists**, including all matter and energy.
- Ordinary matter (**4%**) is made of **protons, neutrons and electrons**, bound together by nuclear and electromagnetic forces into atoms and molecules.
- **NEFFs** are among the **most basic observables** of the nucleon, and intimately related to its **internal structure and dynamics**.
- **NEFFs** are semi-empirical formula in effective quantum field theories which help describe the spatial distributions of electric charge and current.



Nucleon Electromagnetic FFs

- The FFs are measured in space-like (SL) region or time-like (TL) region. The proton electromagnetic vertex Γ_μ describing the hadron current



- $\Gamma_\mu(p', p) = \gamma_\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu}q^\nu}{2m_p} F_2(q^2)$
- $G_E(q^2) = F_1(q^2) + \tau\kappa_p F_2(q^2)$
- $G_M(q^2) = F_1(q^2) + \kappa_p F_2(q^2)$
- $\tau = \frac{q^2}{4m_p^2}, \quad \kappa_p = \frac{g_p - 2}{2} = \mu_p - 1$
- At $q^2=0$,
 proton: $F_1=F_2=1 \quad G_E=1, G_M=\mu_p$
 neutron: $F_1=0, F_2=1, G_E=1, G_M=\mu_n$

- G_E and G_M can be interpreted as Fourier transforms of **spatial distributions of charge and magnetization** of nucleon in the **Breit frame**

$$\text{i.e. } \rho(\vec{r}) = \int \frac{d^3q}{2\pi^3} e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} \frac{M}{E(\vec{q})} G_E(\vec{q}^2)$$

NEFFs in Time-like region

■ Previous experimental results from scan method and ISR method:

Process	Date	Experiment	q^2 (GeV ² /c ⁴)	q^2 point	Event	Precision
$e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$	1972	FENICE/ADONE [17]	4.3	1	27	15%
	1979	DM1/ORSAY-DCI [18]	3.75-4.56	4	70	25.0%
	1983	DM2/ORSAY-DC1 [19]	4.0-5.0	6	100	19.6%
	1998	FENICE/ADONE [20]	3.6-5.9	5	76	19.3%
	2005	BES/BEPC [21]	4.0-9.4	10	80	21.2%
	2006	CLEO/ [22]	13.48	1	16	33.3%
$p^+p^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$	1976	PS135/CERN [24]	3.52	1	29	15.7%
	1994	PS170/CERN [25]	3.52-4.18	9	3667	6.1%
	1993	E760/Fermi [26]	8.9-13.0	3	29	33.8%
	1999	E835/Fermi [27]	8.84-18.4	6	144	10.3%
	2003	E835/Fermi [28]	11.63-18.22	4	66	21.1%
$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + p\bar{p}$	2006	BaBar/SLAC-PEPII [30]	3.57-19.1	38	3261	9.8%
	2013	BaBar/SLAC-PEPII [31]	3.57-19.1	38	6866	6.7%
	2013	BaBar/SLAC-PEPII [32]	9.61-36.0	8	140	18.4%

NEFFs in Time-like region

■ Still questions left on the proton FFs

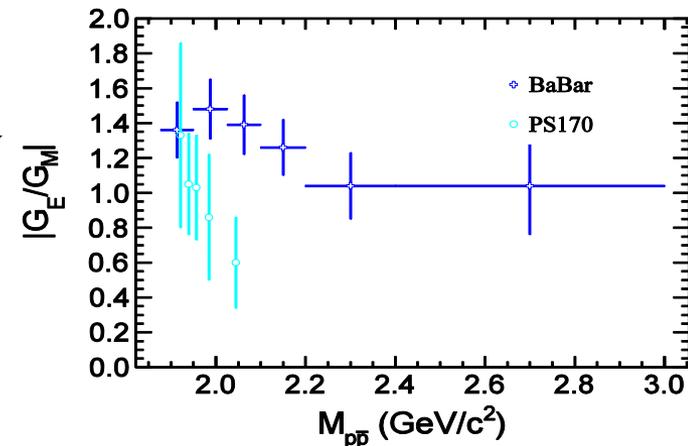
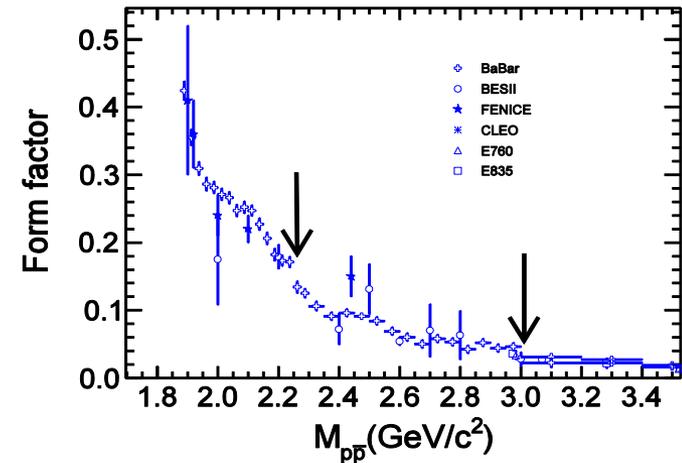
- Steep rise toward threshold
- Two rapid decreases of the FF near 2.25 and 3.0 GeV
- The asymptotic values for SL and TL FFs should be identical at high energies, while

G_M is larger than SL quantities

(i.e. at $|q^2|=3.08^2 \text{ GeV}^2$, $|G_{TL}|=0.031$, and $|G_{SL}|=0.011$)

■ Electromagnetic FF ratio

- Poor precision (11%, 43%) and limited energy range (1.92, 2.7) GeV
- disagreement of $|G_E/G_M|$ ratio between PS170 and BaBar



Reconstruction of $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ at BESIII

■ Event selection

■ Good charged tracks

- $|R_{xy}| < 1$ cm, $|R_z| < 10$ cm
- $|\cos\theta| < 0.93$

■ Particle identification

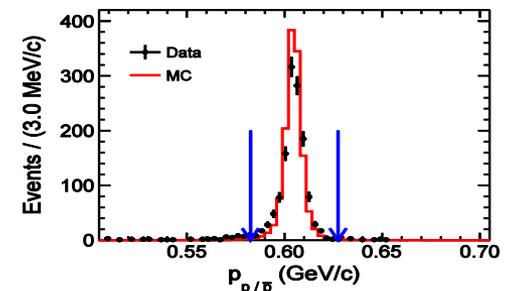
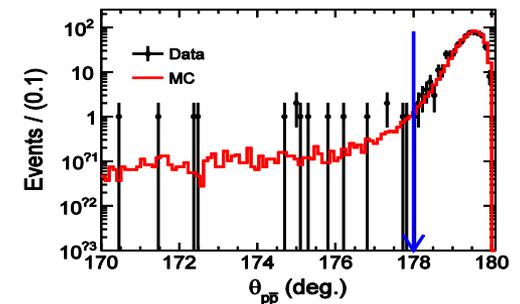
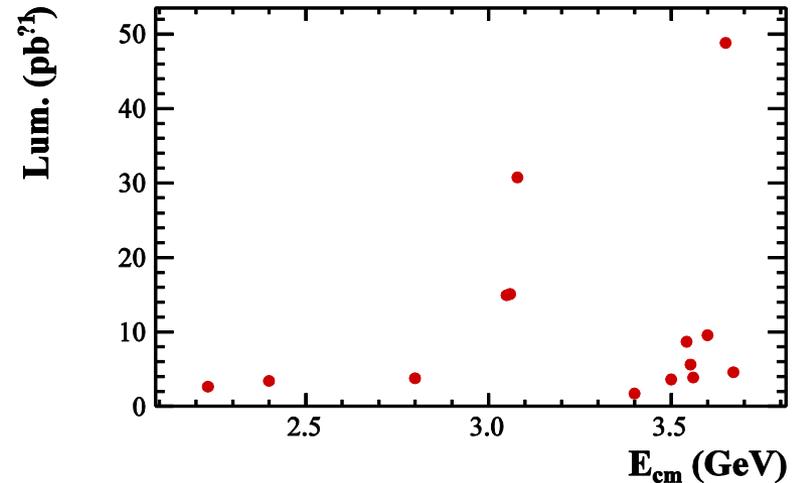
- dE/dx + Tof
- $\text{Prob}(p) > \text{Prob}(K/\pi)$
- For proton track, require $E/p < 0.5$, $\cos\theta < 0.8$

■ $N_{\text{char}} = 2$ & $N_p = N_{\bar{p}} = 1$

■ $|\text{tof}_p - \text{tof}_{\bar{p}}| < 4$ ns

■ Two tracks angle $> 179^\circ$

■ Momentum window cut for proton and anti-proton



Background analysis

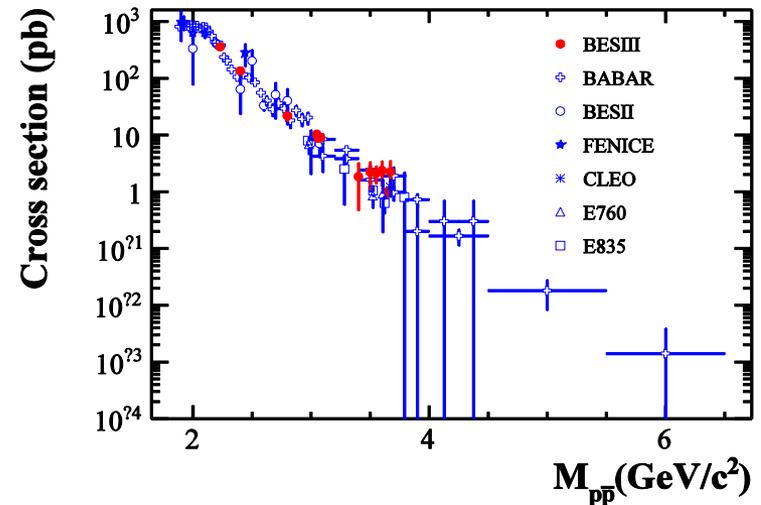
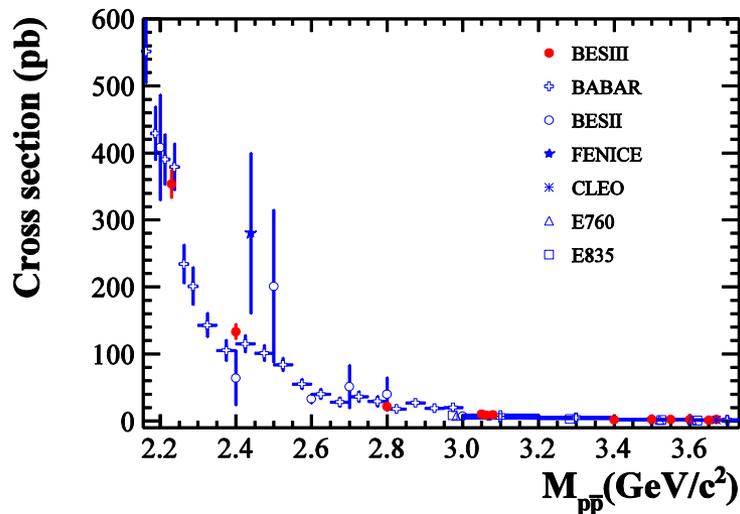
- **Beam associated background**: interaction between beam and beam pipe, beam and residual gas and the Touschek effect.
- A special data sample, with **separated beam** condition, are used to study such background.
- **The physical background** from the processes with two-body in the final state, or with multi-body include $p\bar{p}$ in the final states.

Bkg.	$\sqrt{s} = 2232.4 \text{ MeV} (2.63 \text{ pb}^{-1})$					$\sqrt{s} = 3080.0 \text{ MeV} (30.73 \text{ pb}^{-1})$				
	$N_{gen}^{MC} (\times 10^6)$	N_{sur}^{MC}	$\sigma \text{ (nb)}$	$N_{uplimit}^{MC}$	N_{nor}^{MC}	$N_{gen}^{MC} (\times 10^6)$	N_{sur}^{MC}	$\sigma \text{ (nb)}$	$N_{uplimit}^{MC}$	N_{nor}^{MC}
e^+e^-	9.6	0	1435.01	< 0.96	0	39.9	1	756.86	< 2.54	1
$\mu^+\mu^-$	0.7	0	17.41	< 0.16	0	1.5	0	8.45	< 0.42	0
$\gamma\gamma$	1.9	0	70.44	< 0.24	0	4.5	0	37.05	< 0.62	0
$\pi^+\pi^-$	0.1	0	0.17	< 0.01	0	0.1	0	< 0.11	< 0.02	0
K^+K^-	0.1	0	0.14	< 0.008	0	0.1	0	0.093	< 0.02	0
$p\bar{p}\pi^0$	0.1	0	< 0.1	< 0.006	0	0.1	0	< 0.1	< 0.07	0
$p\bar{p}\pi^0\pi^0$	0.1	0	< 0.1	< 0.006	0	0.1	0	< 0.1	< 0.07	0
$\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$	0.1	0	< 0.4	< 0.02	0	0.1	0	0.002	< 0.001	0

Measurement of Proton Form Factors

$$\sigma_{\text{Born}} = \frac{N_{\text{obs}} - N_{\text{bkg}}}{L \cdot \epsilon \cdot (1 + \delta)}$$

- N_{obs} : the observed number of signal in data
- N_{bkg} : the number of background evaluated from MC
- L : the integral luminosity
- ϵ : detection efficiency by MC sample, with Conexc generator
- $(1 + \delta)$: radiative correction factor



Extraction of the effective FF

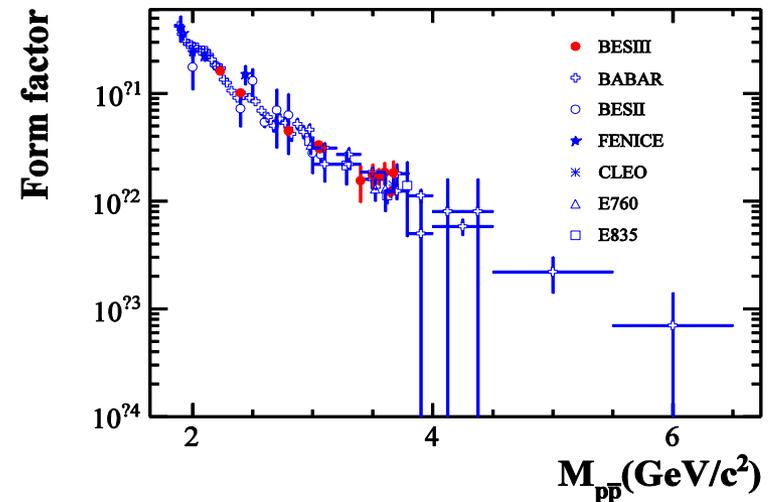
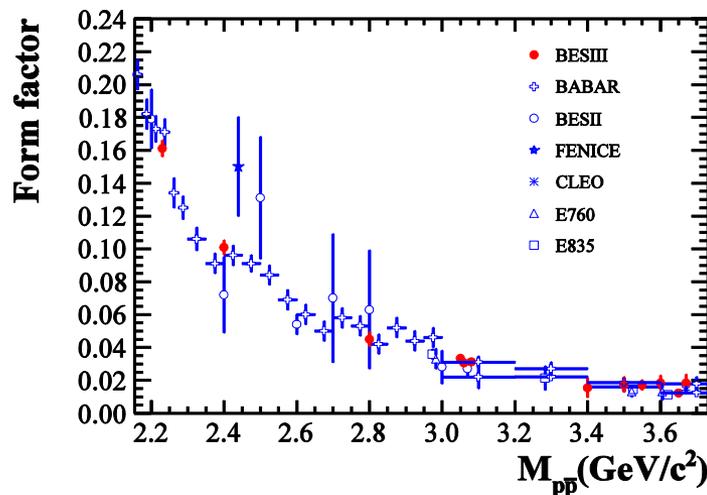
Effective FF

- Assuming $|G_E|=|G_M|=|G_{\text{eff}}|$, (which holds at $p\bar{p}$ mass threshold)

$$\sigma = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{3m_p^2\tau} \left[1 + \frac{1}{2\tau} \right] |G_{\text{eff}}|^2$$

- After taking natural units: $1\text{m} = 5.0677 \times 10^{15} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$

$$G_{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\text{Born}}}{86.83 \cdot \frac{\beta}{\text{s}} \left(1 + \frac{2m_p^2}{\text{s}} \right)}}$$



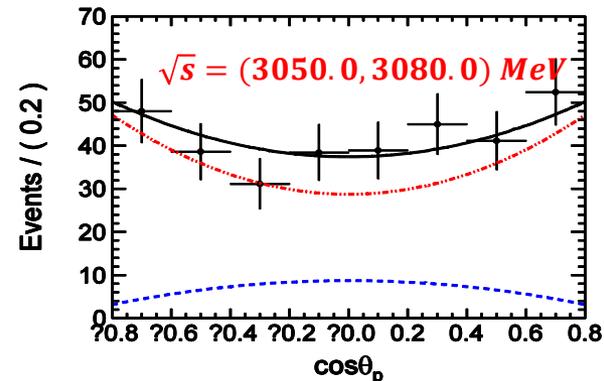
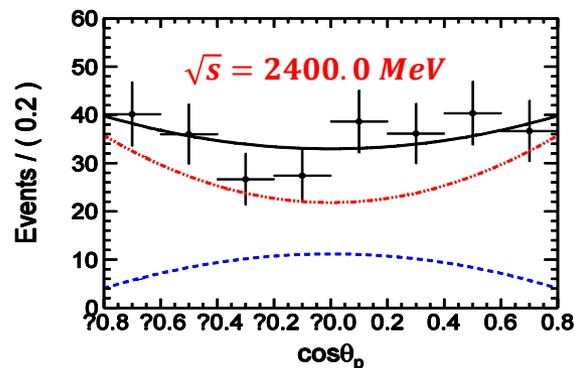
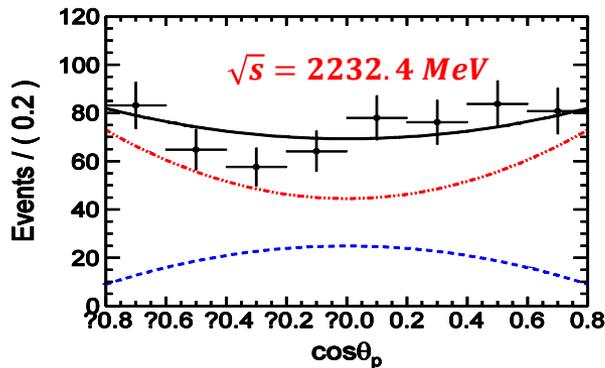
Extraction of electromagnetic $|G_E/G_M|$ ratio

■ Angular analysis to extract the em FFs:

- $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(q^2) = \frac{\alpha^2\beta}{4s} |G_M(s)|^2 \left[(1 + \cos^2\theta_p) + R_{em}^2 \frac{1}{\tau} \sin^2\theta_p \right]$
- $R_{em} = G_E(q^2)/G_M(q^2)$
- θ : polar angle of proton at the c.m.system

■ Fit function:

- $\frac{dN}{d\cos\theta_p} = N_{norm} \left[(1 + \cos^2\theta_p) + R_{em}^2 \frac{1}{\tau} \sin^2\theta_p \right]$
- $N_{norm} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2\beta L}{4s} \left[1.94 + 5.04 \frac{m_p^2}{s} R^2 \right] G_M(s)^2$ is the overall normalization



Extraction of electromagnetic $|G_E/G_M|$ ratio

■ Method of Moment

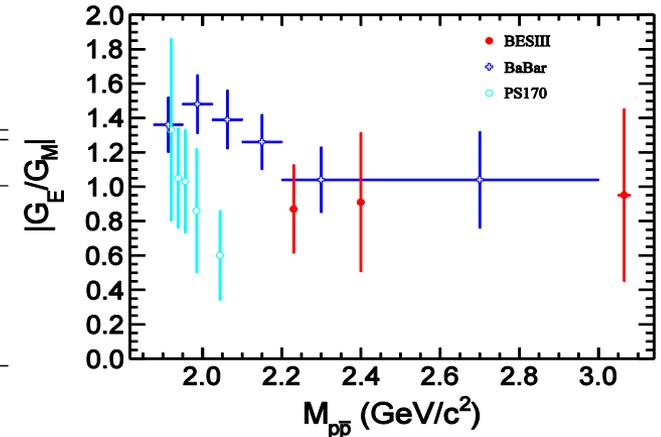
- Second Moment of $\cos\theta_p$: $\langle \cos^2\theta_p \rangle = \frac{1}{N_{\text{norm}}} \int \cos^2\theta_p \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} d\cos\theta_p$
- The estimator of $\langle \cos^2\theta_p \rangle$: $\langle \cos^2\theta_p \rangle = \overline{\cos^2\theta_p} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \cos^2\theta_{p,i} / \epsilon_i$

- Extract $|G_E/G_M|$ ratio: $R = \sqrt{\frac{s}{4m_p^2} \frac{\langle \cos^2\theta_p \rangle - 0.243}{0.108 - 0.648 \langle \cos^2\theta_p \rangle}}$

- Uncertainty of $\langle \cos^2\theta_p \rangle$: $\sigma_{\langle \cos^2\theta_p \rangle} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} [\langle \cos^4\theta_p \rangle - \langle \cos^2\theta_p \rangle^2]}$

■ Results on $|G_E/G_M|$ ratio:

\sqrt{s} (MeV)	$ G_E/G_M $	$ G_M (\times 10^{-2})$	χ^2/ndf
Fit on $\cos\theta_p$			
2232.4	$0.87 \pm 0.24 \pm 0.05$	$18.42 \pm 5.09 \pm 0.98$	1.04
2400.0	$0.91 \pm 0.38 \pm 0.12$	$11.30 \pm 4.73 \pm 1.53$	0.74
(3050.0, 3080.0)	$0.95 \pm 0.45 \pm 0.21$	$3.61 \pm 1.71 \pm 0.82$	0.61
method of moment			
2232.4	0.83 ± 0.24	18.60 ± 5.38	-
2400.0	0.85 ± 0.37	11.52 ± 5.01	-
(3050.0, 3080.0)	0.88 ± 0.46	3.34 ± 1.72	-



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Conclusion and Prospect

- The **proton effective FFs** are measured at 12 c.m. energies . The Born cross sections and effective FFs are in good agreement with previous experiments, **improving** the overall uncertainty **by ~30%**.
- The **$|G_E/G_M|$ ratio** are extracted at three energy points, with uncertainty **in 25% and 50%** (dominated by statistics).
- The **$|G_E/G_M|$ ratio** are close to unity and consistent with BaBar results in the same q^2 region, indicates the data are consistent with the assumption **$|G_E| = |G_M|$** within uncertainties.
- At BEPCII, a new scan with c.m. energy in 2.0 GeV and 3.1 GeV is ongoing, which suggest **precision measurement of proton form factor**
 - reveal two steps around 2.25 and 3.0 GeV
 - improve the $|G_E/G_M|$ ratio uncertainty

Thank you!

NEFFs in Space-like region

■ Nucleon Electromagnetic FFs (NEFF) in **Space-like** region

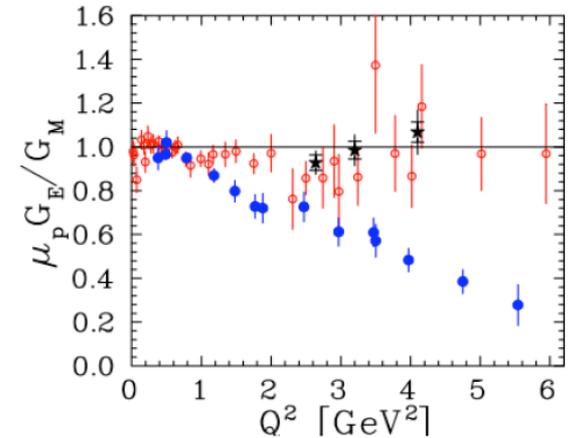
■ Unpolarized electron-proton elastic

➤ In **one-photon exchange** approximation,

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{Mott}} \left[G_E^2 + \frac{\tau}{\varepsilon} G_M^2 \right] \frac{1}{1+\tau}, \quad \varepsilon = \frac{1}{1+2(1+\tau)\tan^2(\frac{\theta_e}{2})}$$

the longitudinal polarization of photon.

➤ **Rosenbluth Separation:** $\sigma_R = \frac{\varepsilon}{\tau} G_E^2 + G_M^2$



Solid circle: recoil polarization

Open circle: Rosenbluth separation

■ Polarized electron-proton elastic scattering

➤ Longitudinally polarized electron beam

➤ **Recoil proton polarization:**

$$\frac{G_E}{G_M} = - \frac{P_t}{P_l} \frac{E_e + E_{\text{beam}}}{2M_p} \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$

■ The two-photon exchange contribution

