

Collins asymmetry and proton form factors at BESIII

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The structure of hadrons

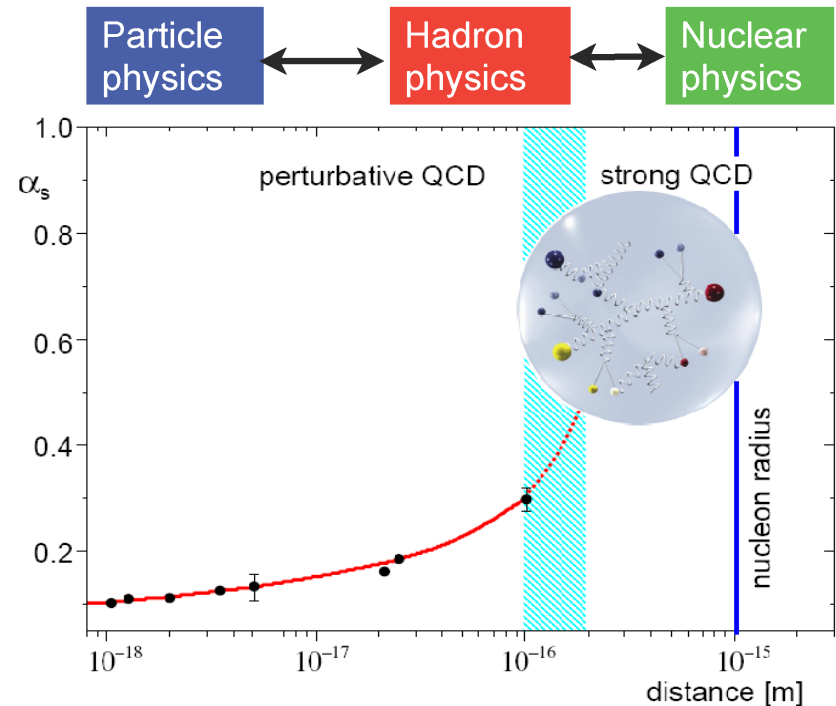
- Hadrons: non-perturbative systems

- Their interactions can be described by long distance functions:

- Electromagnetic form factors,
- Parton Distribution Amplitudes,
- Fragmentation Functions,
- Generalized Parton Distributions,
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- Only by a global analysis of scattering and annihilation experiments we can determine these functions and test their **analyticity and universality**

Crossing symmetry channels: - different kinematical regions
- observables are counterparts



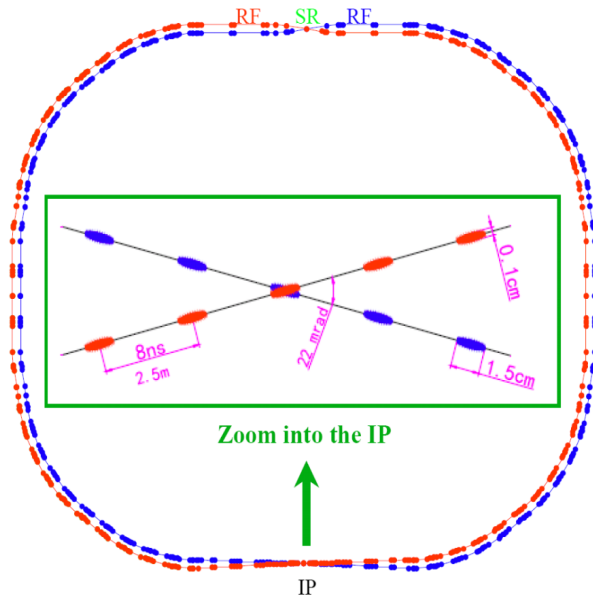
Outline

Probing the structure of hadrons at BESIII by the annihilation of electron-positron beams of 1.0 - 2.3 GeV:

- BEPC-II and BESIII detector
- Baryons **electromagnetic form factors** at BESIII
 - Proton form factors
 - Lambda_c form factors
- Collins asymmetry (Collins **fragmentation function**) measurement at BESIII
- Summary

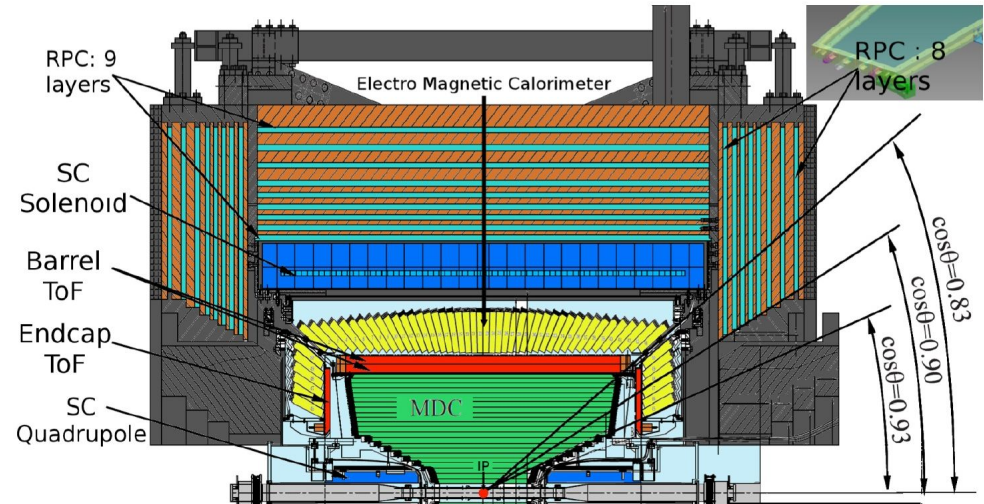
BEPC-II and BESIII detector

Beijing Electron Positron Collider



- Symmetric e^+e^- collider
- Beam energy: 1.0 - 2.3 GeV
- Optimum energy: 1.89 GeV
- Design luminosity: $10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Crossing angle: 22 mrad

BESIII detector



Electromagnetic Calorimeter

$\sigma_E/\sqrt{E}(\%)=2.5\%$ (1 GeV),
(Csl) $\sigma_{z,\phi}(\text{cm})=0.5-0.7 \text{ cm}/\sqrt{E}$

Muon Counter

$\sigma_{xy} < 2 \text{ cm}$

Time Of Flight

$\sigma_T(\text{barrel})=90 \text{ ps}$
 $\sigma_T(\text{endcap})=110 \text{ ps}$

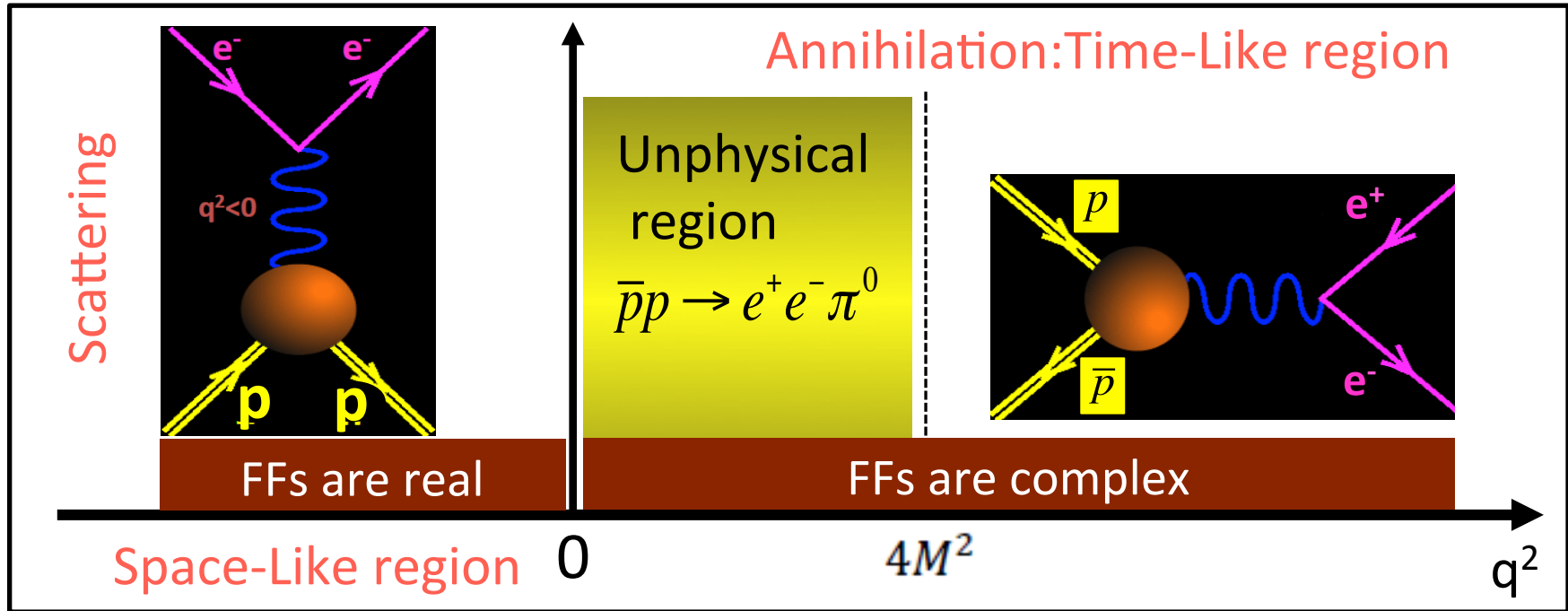
Main Drift Chamber

$\sigma_{xy}=130 \text{ mm}$, $dE/dx \sim 6\%$
 $\sigma_p/p = 0.5\%$ at 1 GeV

PROTON ELECTROMAGNETIC FORM FACTORS at BESIII

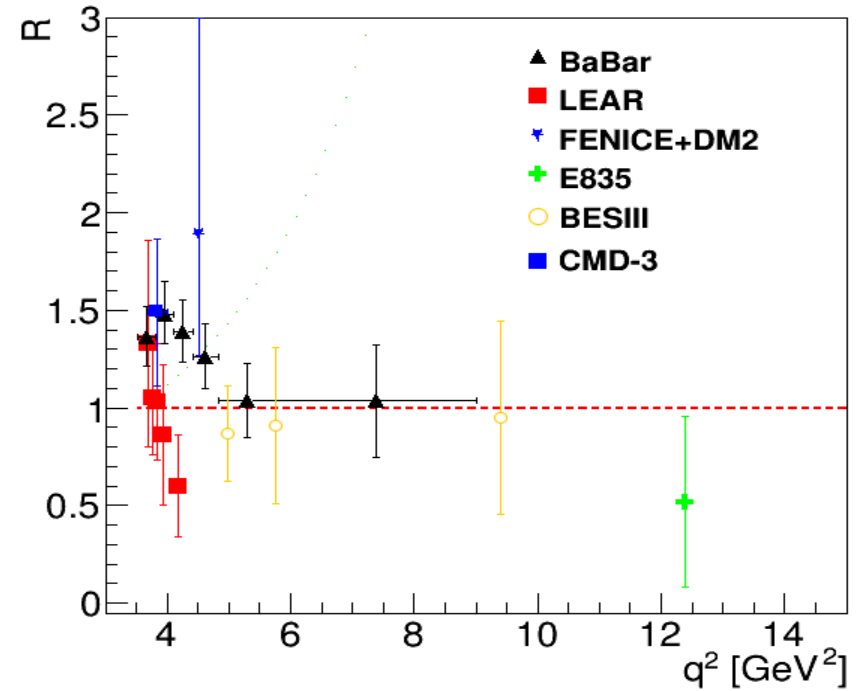
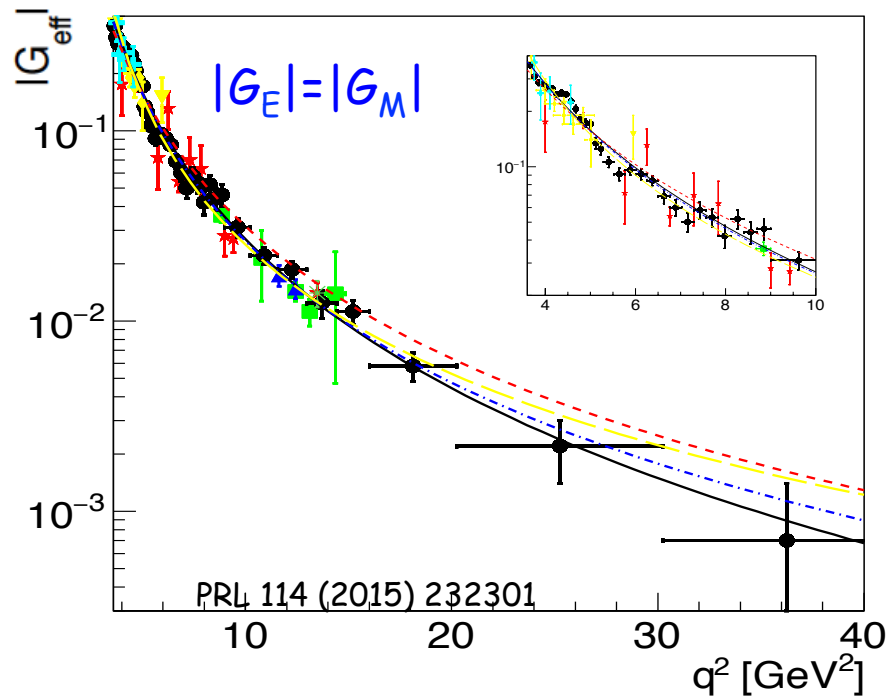
Measurement of proton form factor by $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$
PHYSICAL REVIEW D 91, 112004 (2015)

Proton electromagnetic form factor: the analyticity



- **Electric G_E and magnetic G_M** proton form factors (FFs) are analytical functions of the momentum transfer squared q^2
- Playground for theory and experiment:
 - at low q^2 , probe the size of the nucleus,
 - at high q^2 , test QCD scaling

Time-Like proton electromagnetic form factors



- No individual determination of G_E and G_M
- Steep behaviour of the **effective form factor (G_{eff})** at threshold
- Structures appeared in BaBar data?
 - Resonances (PRD 92 (2015) 034018)
 - Rescattering processes between few coherent sources (PRL 114 (2015) 232301)
- **Form factor ratio (R)**: discrepancy between LEAR and BaBar data

Measurement of $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ at BESIII Phys. Rev. D91, 112004 (2015)

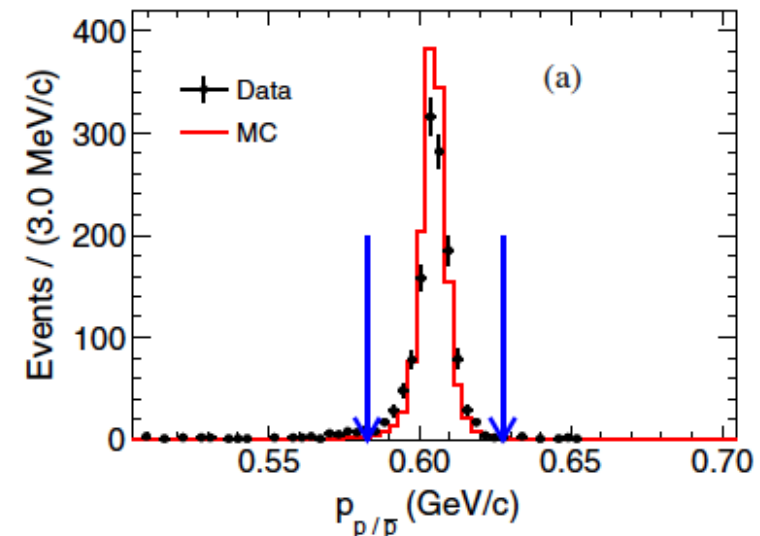
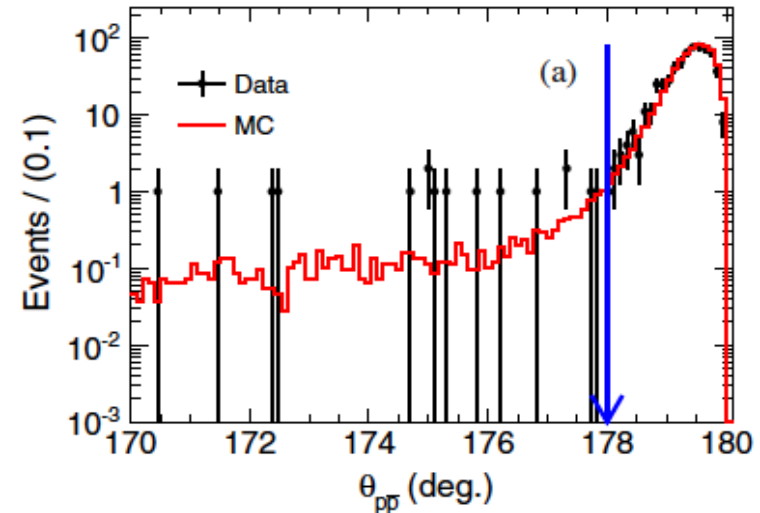
Based on 157 pb^{-1} collected in 12 scan points between $2.22 - 3.71 \text{ GeV}$ in 2011/2012:

Event selection

- I. Good charged tracks from the MDC
- II. Particle identification:
 - dE/dx and TOF ($\text{Prob}(p) > \text{Prob}(K/\pi)$)
 - Proton: $E_{\text{EMC}}/p < 0.5$, $\cos\theta < 0.8$
- III. Two charged tracks
 - $|\text{tof}_p - \text{tof}_{p\text{bar}}| < 4\text{ns}$, back-to-back in c.m.s
 - Momentum window cut for p and $p\text{bar}$

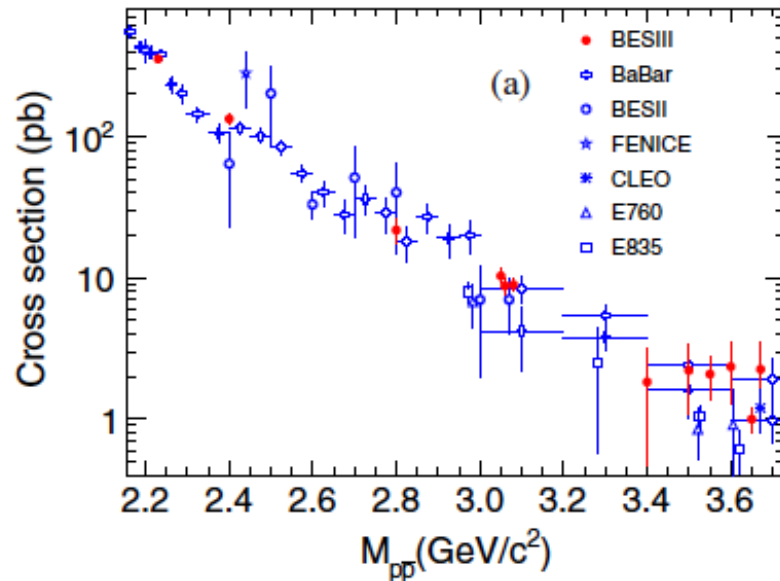
Background and signal efficiency

- Beam associated background
- Physical background: charged pair production, $p\bar{p}\pi^0$, $p\bar{p}\pi^0\pi^0$, $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$
- Background negligible or subtracted
- Signal efficiency between 60% and 3%

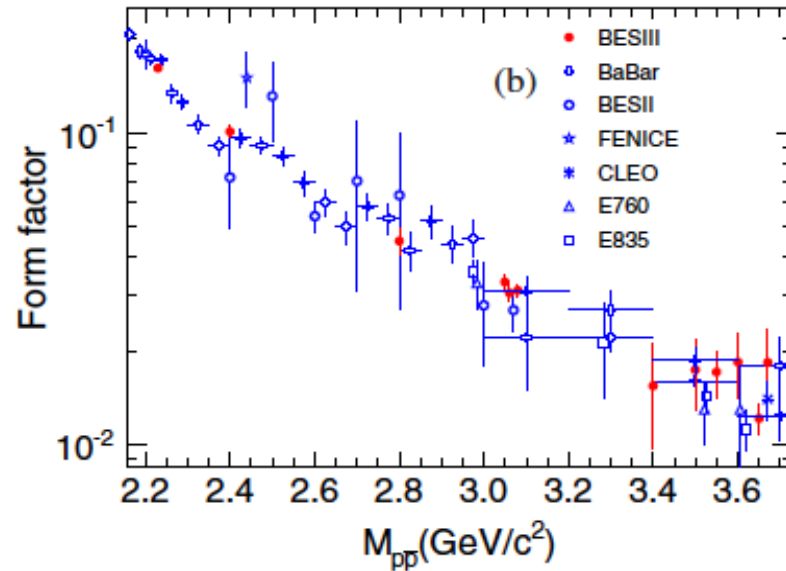


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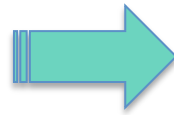
(a) The Born cross section



(b) The effective FF ($|G_E| = |G_M|$)



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



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

N_{obs} : observed number of data

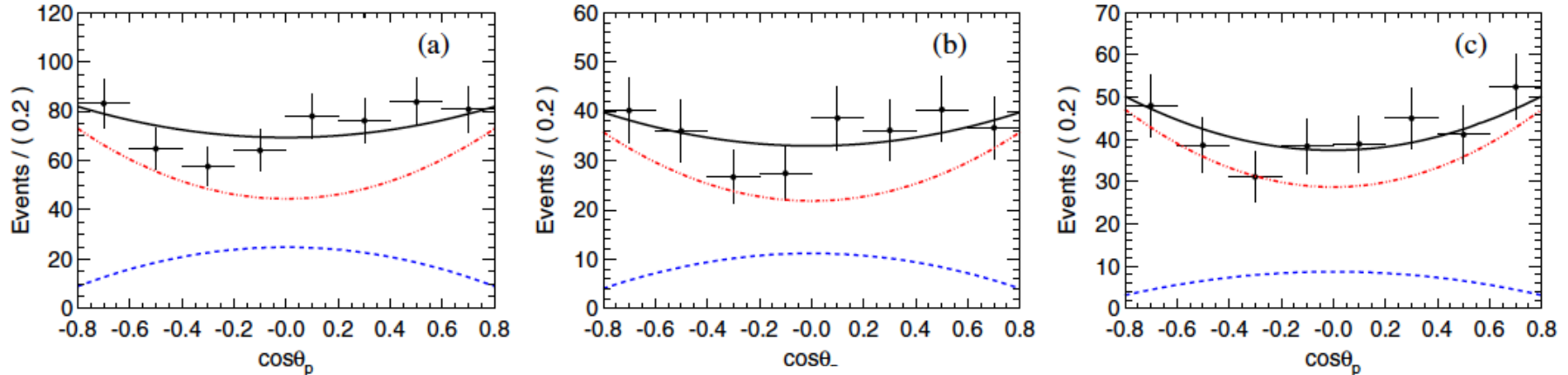
N_{bkg} : background evaluated from MC

L : luminosity; ϵ : detection efficiency; $(1 + \delta)$: radiative correction factor

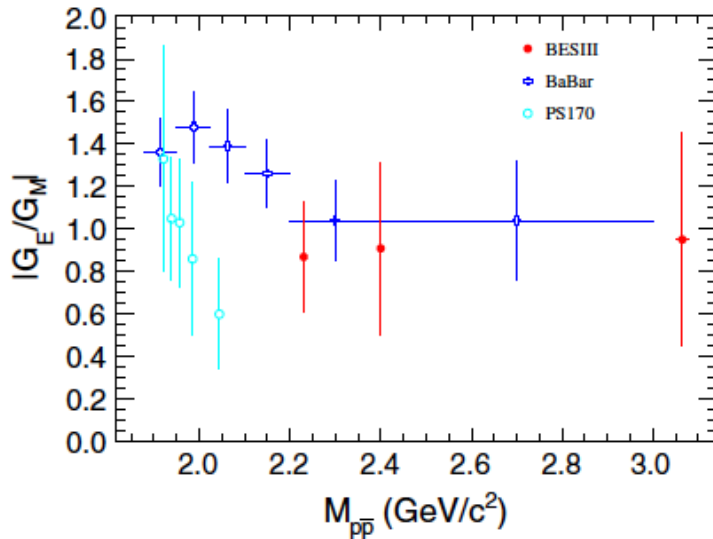
The measured born cross sections and the effective FFs are in good agreement with previous experiments, improving the overall uncertainty by $\sim 30\%$

Measurement of $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ at BESIII Phys. Rev. D91, 112004 (2015)

Extraction of the electromagnetic $R_{em} = |G_E|/|G_M|$ ratio



$$\frac{dN}{d\cos\theta_p} = N_{\text{norm}} \left[(1 + \cos^2\theta_p) + R_{em}^2 \frac{1}{\tau} \sin^2\theta_p \right]$$

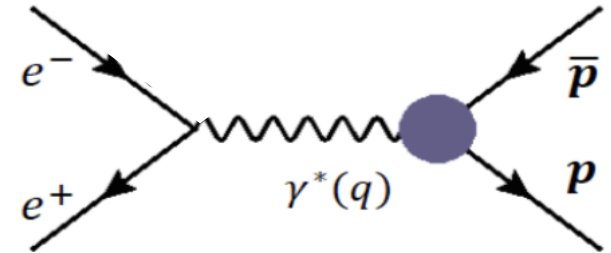


\sqrt{s} (MeV)	$ G_M $ ($\times 10^{-2}$)
	Fit on $\cos\theta_p$
2232.4	$18.42 \pm 5.09 \pm 0.98$
2400.0	$11.30 \pm 4.73 \pm 1.53$
(3050.0, 3080.0)	$3.61 \pm 1.71 \pm 0.82$

Prospects: Proton FFs @ BESIII

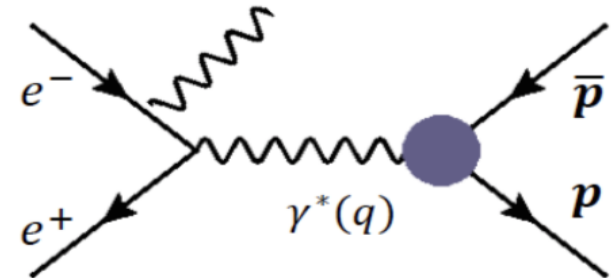
➤ Direct production (**scan data 2015**):

- 21 points between 2.0 and 3.08 GeV (552 pb^{-1})
- Expected (MC) statistical accuracies on $R_{em} = |G_E|/|G_M| = 1$, between 9 % and 35%
- Measurement of $|G_M|$ and $|G_E|$ separately



➤ Initial state radiation (ISR) technique:

- Data samples collected at $\psi(3770), \psi(4040), Y(4230), Y(4260), Y(4360), Y(4420), Y(4600)$. Total: **7.408 fb⁻¹**
- Tagged + untagged photon analysis
- Continuous q^2 -range available from the threshold
- Angular distribution measurements (FF ratio)
- **Final statistics are competitive with BaBar:**



Possibility to examine the structures seen in the total cross section

LAMBDA_C FORM FACTORS AT BESIII

Cross section measurement of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{\Lambda}_c^-$ near threshold at BESIII

Baryon pair production: unexpected behavior near threshold

Annihilation cross section

$$\sigma_{BB}(q) = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2 C\beta}{3q^2} [|G_M(q)|^2 + \frac{1}{2\tau} |G_E(q)|^2]$$

$$C = \varepsilon \times R, \quad \beta = \sqrt{1 - 4m_B^2/q^2}$$

Enhancement factor: $\varepsilon = \pi\alpha/\beta$

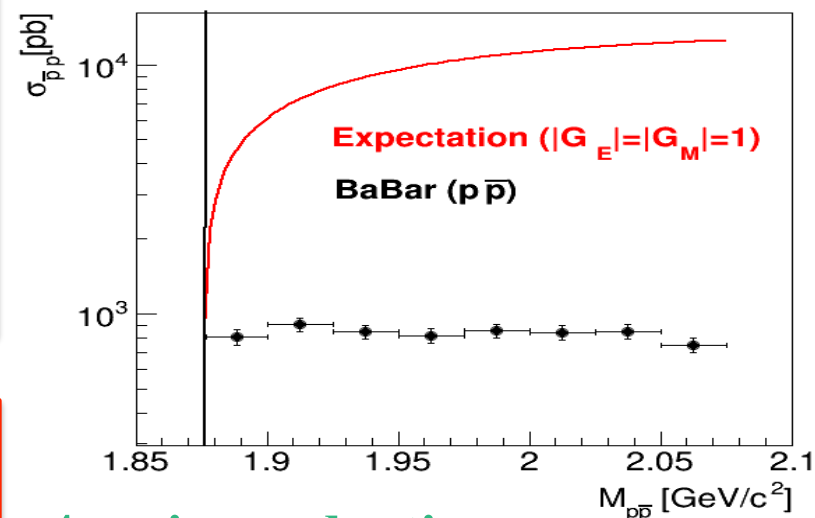
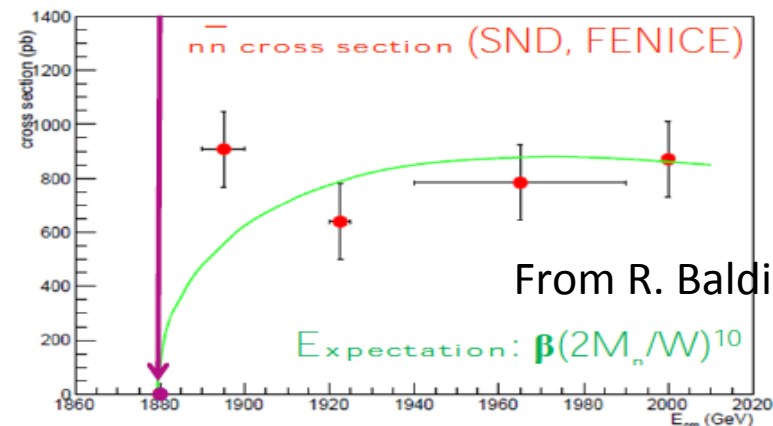
- Dominates at threshold and cancel the phase space factor

Resummation factor: $\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}/(1 - e^{-\pi\alpha/\beta})$

- Becomes ineffective few MeV above threshold

Coulomb factor: $C = \varepsilon R$

- Non-perturbative correction
- Neutral baryons: $C=1, \sigma=0$
- Predicts non flat behavior close to threshold



Λ_c pair production:

Possibility to be much closer to the threshold than the proton case

Cross section measurement of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\bar{\Lambda}_c^-$ at BESIII

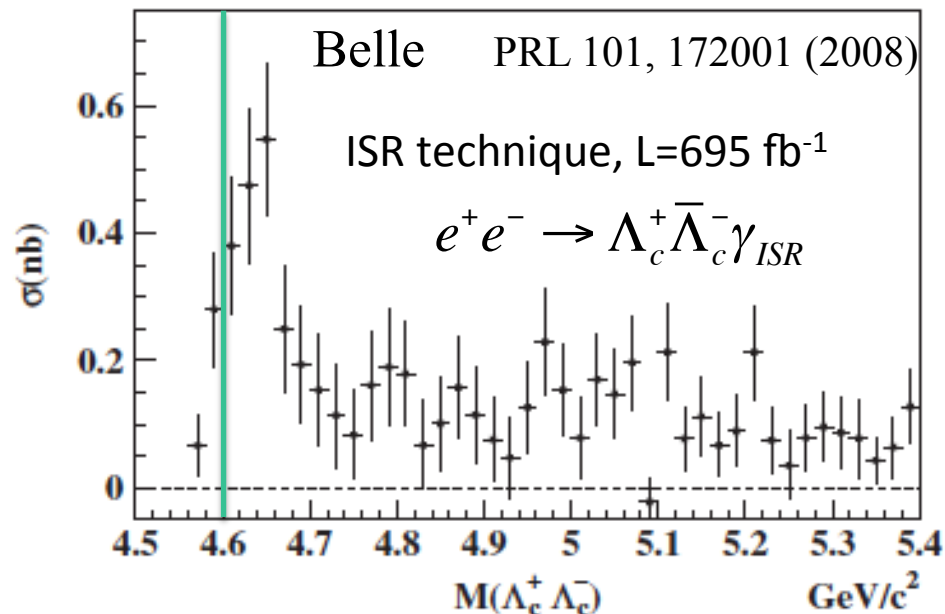
BESIII has collected in 2014 significant data sample close to the Λ_c threshold:

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\bar{\Lambda}_c^-$$

\sqrt{s} (GeV)	Luminosity (pb^{-1})
4.5745	47.67
4.580	8.545
4.590	8.162
4.5995	566.9



- Measurement of the Born cross section at 4 energy points below 4.6 GeV with **unprecedented statistical accuracy** ($\sim 2\%$ at 4.6 GeV)
- **First measurement** of the Λ_c form factor ratio (at 4.57 and 4.6 GeV)



Statistical uncertainties (<4.6 GeV):
 $\sim 30\% - 70\%$

Cross section measurement of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{\Lambda}_c^-$ at BESIII

- Always Postulated in $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ baryon-antibaryon at threshold: angular distribution is isotropic ($|G_E|=|G_M|$), due to the FF analyticity
- Anisotropic angular distribution ($|G_E|\neq|G_M|$): leads to analytical violation of coulomb interaction (D-wave contribution)
- Hint for non isotropic angular distribution at threshold from proton data (PRD 73, 012005)

**Analyticity Violation in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{\Lambda}_c^-$?
A request for
additional integrated luminosity at threshold**

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COLLINS ASYMMETRY AT BESIII

Measurement of Azimuthal Asymmetries in Inclusive Charged
Dipion Production in e^+e^- Annihilations at $\sqrt{s} = 3.65 \text{ GeV}$

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Collins Fragmentation Function

- The parton (quark, gluon)-hadron fragmentation process is parametrized with the help of **Fragmentation Functions (FFs)**: (Spinless hadron)

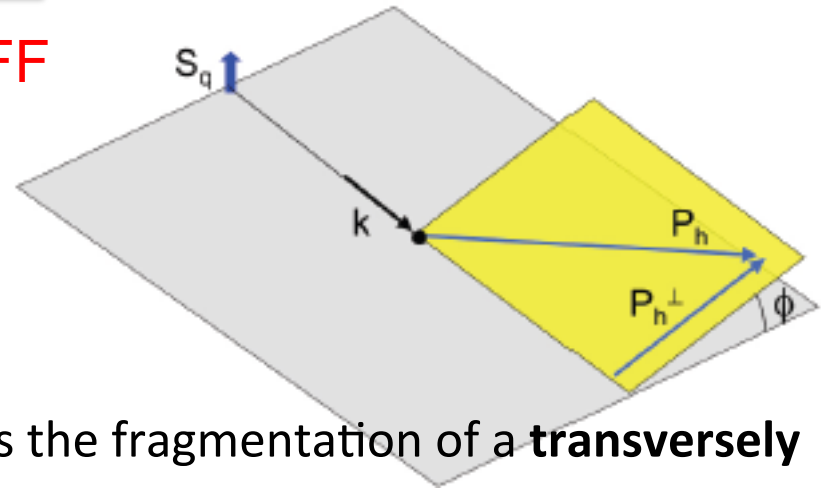
$$D_h^{q\uparrow}(z, \mathbf{P}_h^\perp) = \underbrace{D_1^q(z, \mathbf{P}_h^{\perp 2})}_{\text{Unpolarized FF}} + \underbrace{H_1^{\perp q}(z, \mathbf{P}_h^{\perp 2})}_{\text{Collins FF}} \frac{(\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \mathbf{P}_h^\perp) \cdot \mathbf{S}_q}{\tau M.},$$

Unpolarized FF

Collins FF

Fractional energy of hadron:

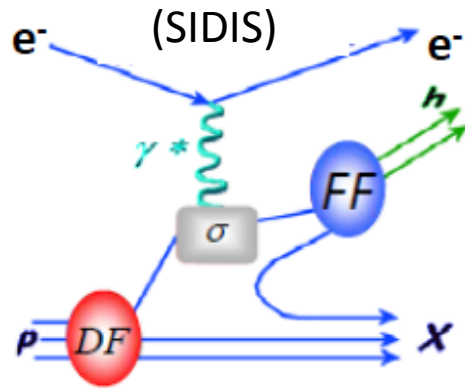
$$z = 2E_h / Q = 2E_h / \sqrt{s}$$



- Collins FF**: chiral-odd function that describes the fragmentation of a **transversely polarized** quark (q^\uparrow) into a **spinless** hadron
 - Incorporate long distance non perturbative physics
 - Assumed to be universal functions (process-independent)

Measurements of Collins asymmetry: the universality

Semi Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering



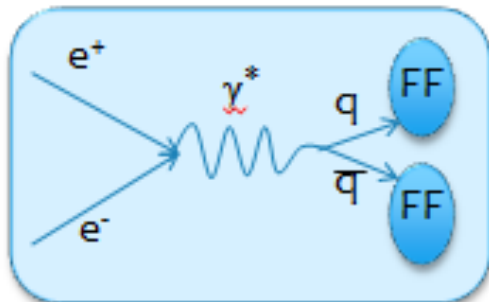
Collins FF \otimes transversity

COMPASS

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Unpolarized e+e- annihilation



Collins FF \otimes Collins FF

BESIII

BaBar

Belle

- Direct access to Collins functions
- Clean environment to study fragmentation processes

(u,d,s)

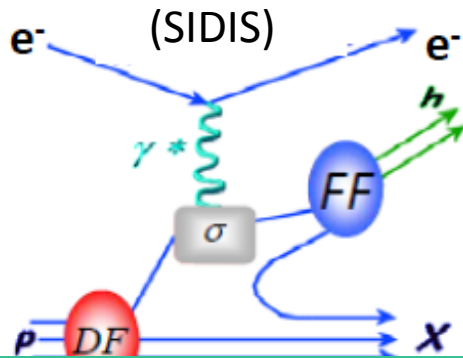
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25 GeV²

100 GeV²

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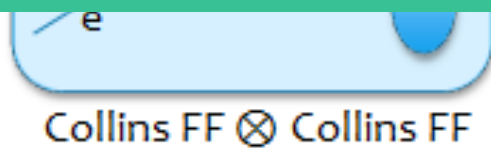
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Combined data from e^+e^- (at different energies) and SIDIS

- Universality of Collins fragmentation functions
- Quark transversity distribution inside the nucleon
- Energy evolution of the spin dependent fragmentation functions



Fragmentation processes

(u, d, s)

1-10 GeV²

25 GeV²

100 GeV²

Collins asymmetry in “ $e^+ e^- \rightarrow p p X$ ” (event selection)

Based on 62 pb^{-1} collected at c.m. energy 3.65 GeV

Event selection for $e^+ e^- \rightarrow p p X$

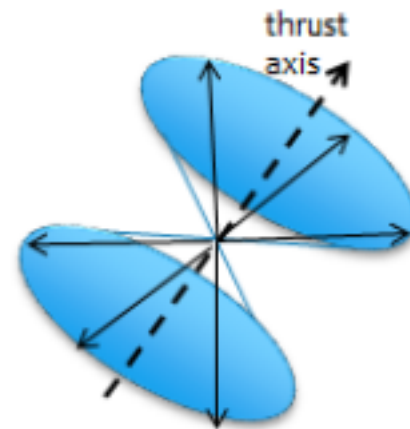
- Good charged tracks from MDC
 - Photons from EMC
- PID by combined information of dE/dx and TOF

- $N_{trk} \geq 3$ & $N_{\pi} \geq 2$ & $N_e = 0$
- $E_{\text{tot-traks}} > 1.5 \text{ GeV}$

Pion pair

- Fractional energy $0.3 < z < 0.9$ ($z \equiv 2 E_h / \sqrt{s}$)
 - Open angle $\theta_{\pi\pi} > 120^\circ$
- Save all possible combinations

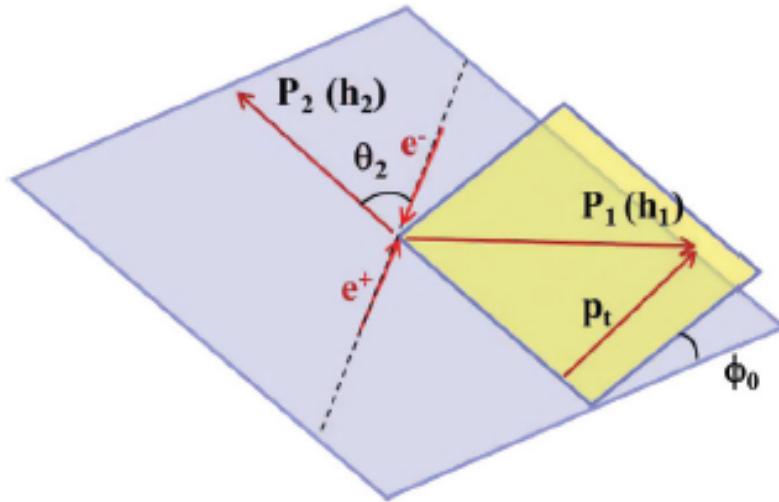
No clear jet event shape at BESIII (low energy scale):



Backgrounds are suppressed to a negligible level, less than 2.5%

Collins asymmetry in “ $e^+ e^- \rightarrow p p X$ ” at BESIII

Collins effect: transverse quark spin relates to an azimuthal asymmetry (ϕ_0)



Parameterization: $a \cos(2\phi_0) + b$

$$a = a(\theta_2, z_1, z_2), \quad z = 2E_h/Q$$

- **Normalized ratios:** $R = \frac{N(2\phi_0)}{\langle N_0 \rangle}$
 - $N(2\phi_0)$: the dipion yield in each $2\phi_0$ subdivision
 - $\langle N_0 \rangle$: the averaged bin content
 - Three types of ratio:
 - Unlike-sign ($\pi^\pm \pi^\mp$): R^U
 - Like-sign ($\pi^\pm \pi^\pm$): R^L
 - All pion-pairs ($\pi\pi$): R^C

- **Double ratios :**

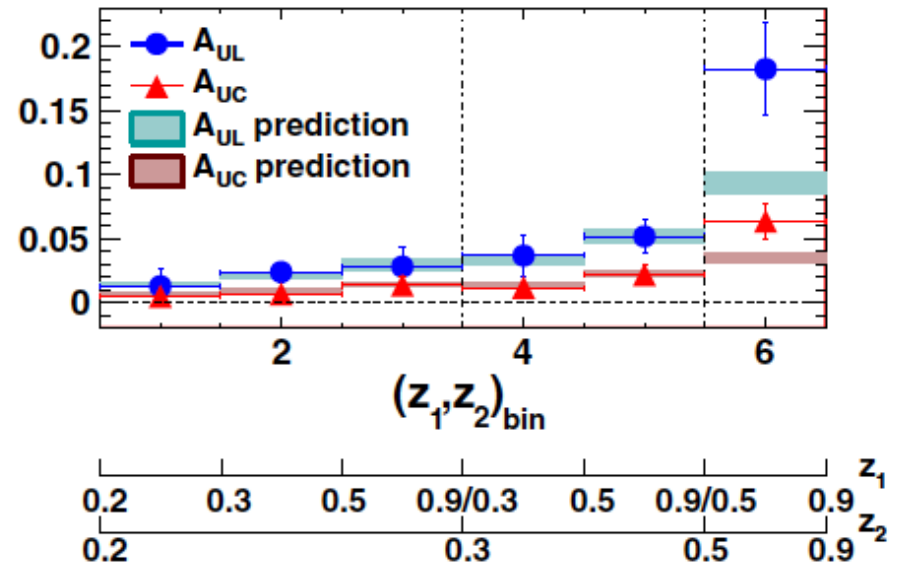
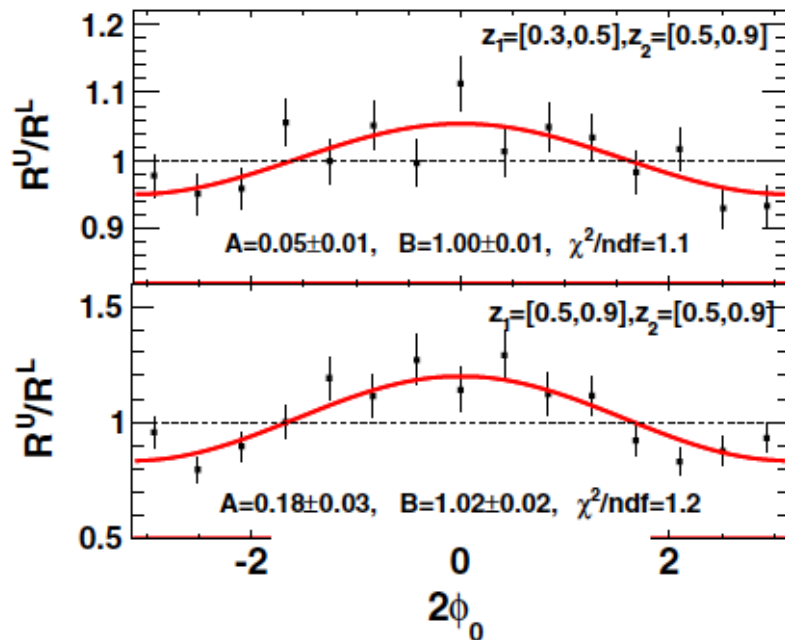
$$\frac{R^U}{R^{L(C)}} = A \cos(2\phi_0) + B$$

- A: contains the Collins effect (A_{UL}, A_{UC})
- B: should be consistent with unity

Collins asymmetry in “ $e^+ e^- \rightarrow p p X$ ” at BESIII (Results)

- Analysis of Collins asymmetry in bins of the fractional energy of hadrons (z_1, z_2)

$$\frac{R^U}{R^L} = A_{UL} \cos(2\phi_0) + B, \quad \frac{R^U}{R^C} = A_{UC} \cos(2\phi_0) + B$$

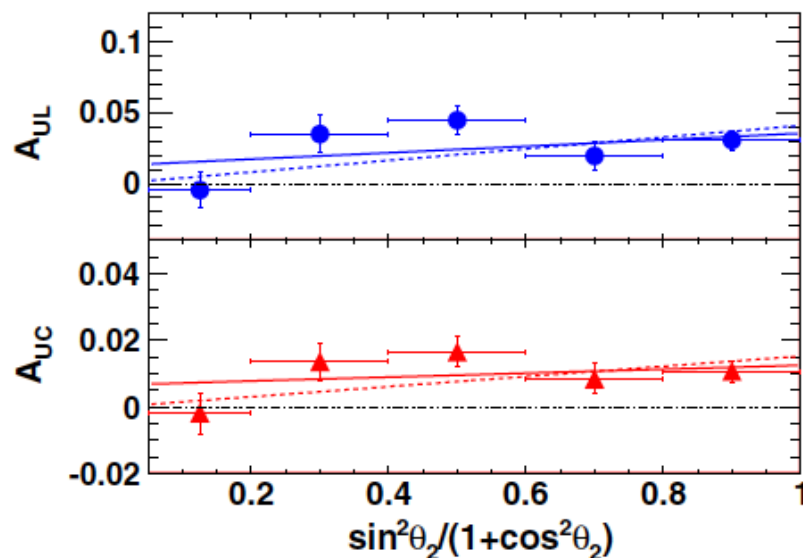
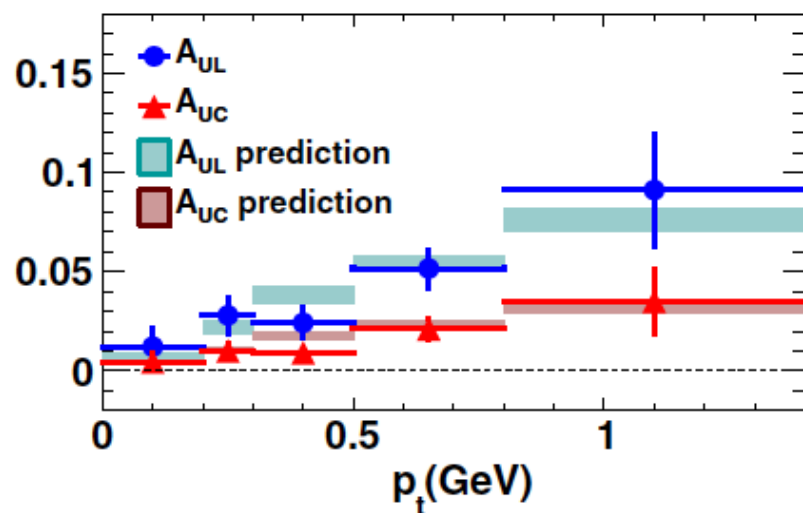


- Adding statistical and systematic uncertainties, **significant nonzero Collins asymmetries** are observed

*Prediction is from Z.-B. Kang, etc arXiv: 1505.05589

Collins asymmetry in “ $e^+ e^- \rightarrow p p X$ ” at BESIII (Results)

- Asymmetry dependence on transverse momentum and $\sin^2\theta_2/(1+\cos^2\theta_2)$



- The asymmetries rise with fractional energies and p_t as expected theoretically, and seen in higher-energy e^+e^- experiments
- Linear dependence on $\sin^2\theta_2/(1+\cos^2\theta_2)$

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Summary

- The **proton effective FF** is measured at 12 c.m. energies. The Born cross section and effective FF are in good agreement with previous experiments, improving the overall uncertainty by $\sim 30\%$.
- The **|GE/GM| ratio** is extracted at three energy points, with uncertainty in 25% and 50% (dominated by statistics).
- Promising results from the ISR and new scan 2015 data will be released soon
- Based on the BESIII data collected close to the Λ_c pair threshold, the first measurement of Λ_c **FFs** will be possible
- The **Collins asymmetry** is measured @ 3.65 GeV using 62 pb⁻¹ BESIII data : Obvious asymmetry is observed