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# Hyperon Structure with BESIII

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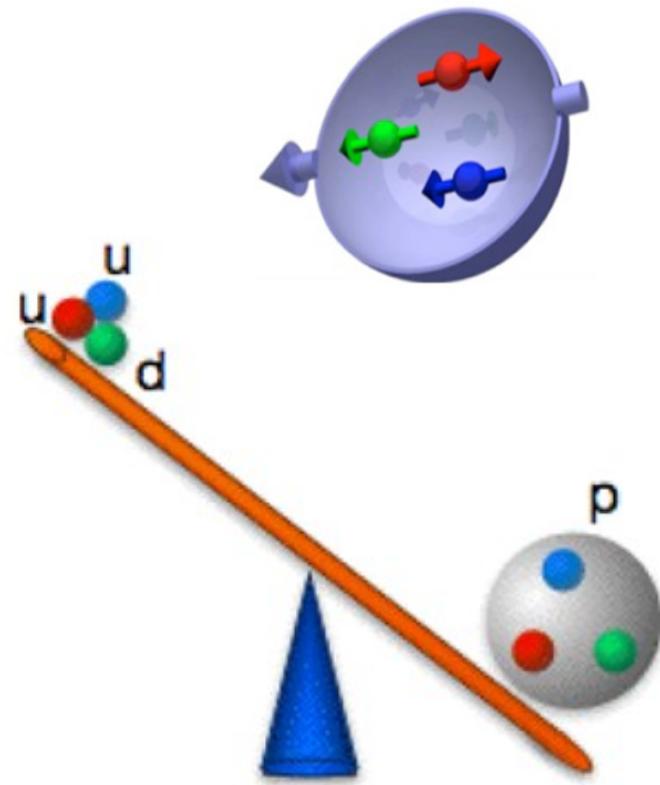
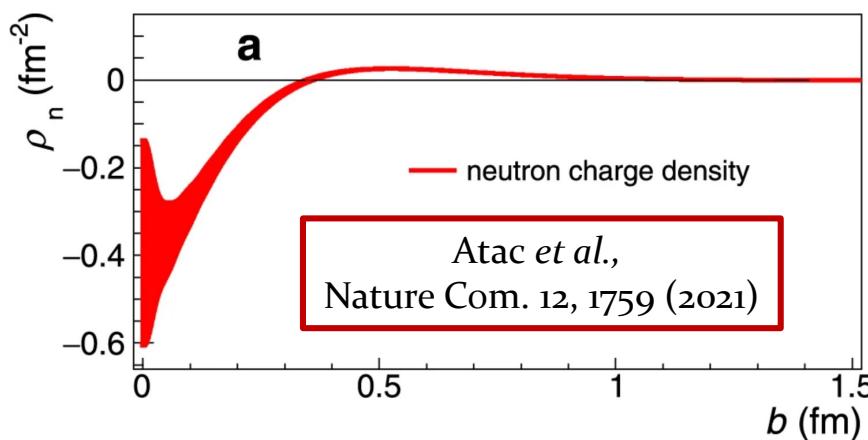
# Outline

- Introduction
- Electromagnetic Form Factors
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- Summary

# The Nucleon

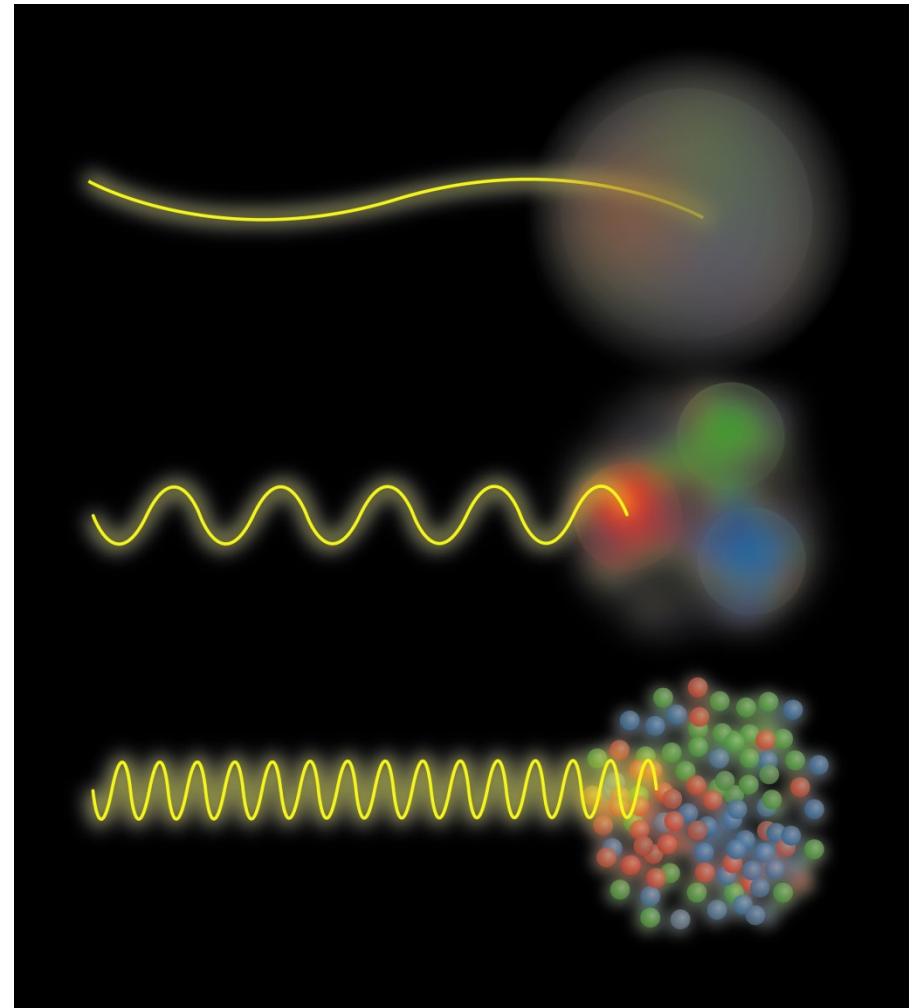
The non-perturbative features of the strong interaction manifests in the **nucleon properties**:

- Mass
- Spin
- Structure



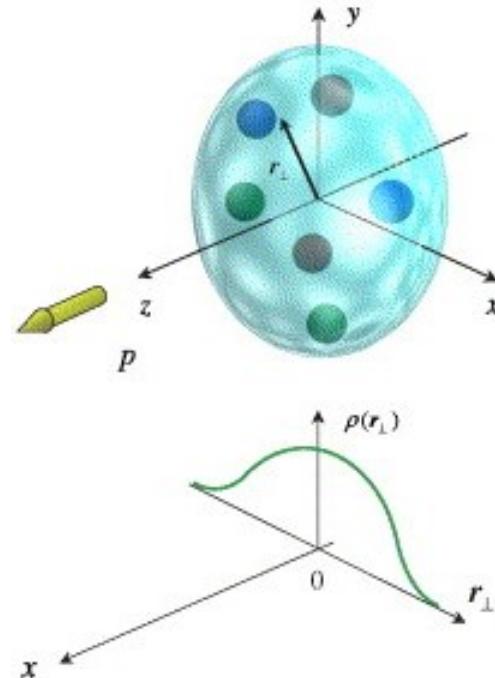
# Electromagnetic Form Factors

- Probed in hadron -  $\gamma^*$  interactions:
- Scale governed by momentum transfer  $q^2$ .
- Can be elastic or inelastic.



# Electromagnetic Form Factors

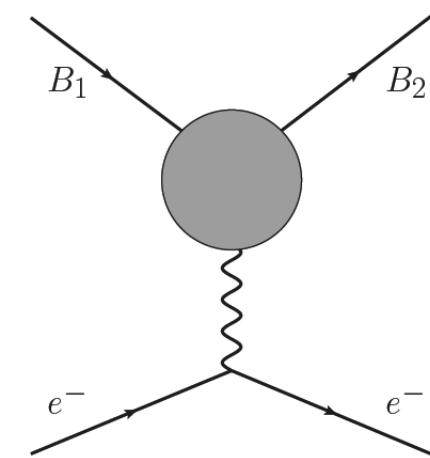
- EMFFs: Fundamental observable of the strong interaction.
- Quantify the deviation from point-like behaviour.
- Predictions from
  - LatticeQCD
  - ChPT
  - Dyson-Schwinger
  - Vector Meson Dominance



# Space-like vs. time-like FF's

Space-like

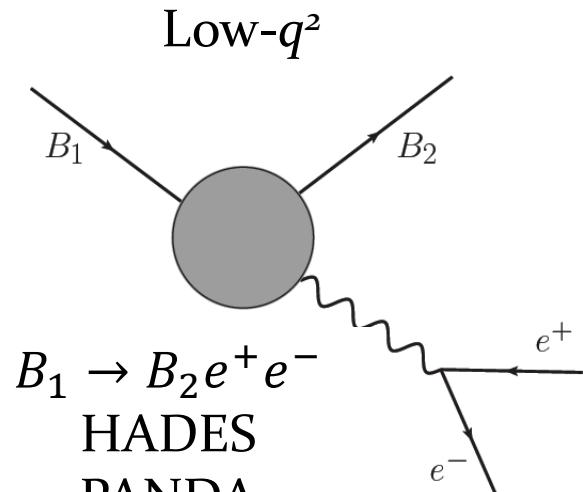
$$q^2 < 0$$



$$e^- B \rightarrow e^- B$$

e.g. JLAB

Low- $q^2$



$$B_1 \rightarrow B_2 e^+ e^-$$

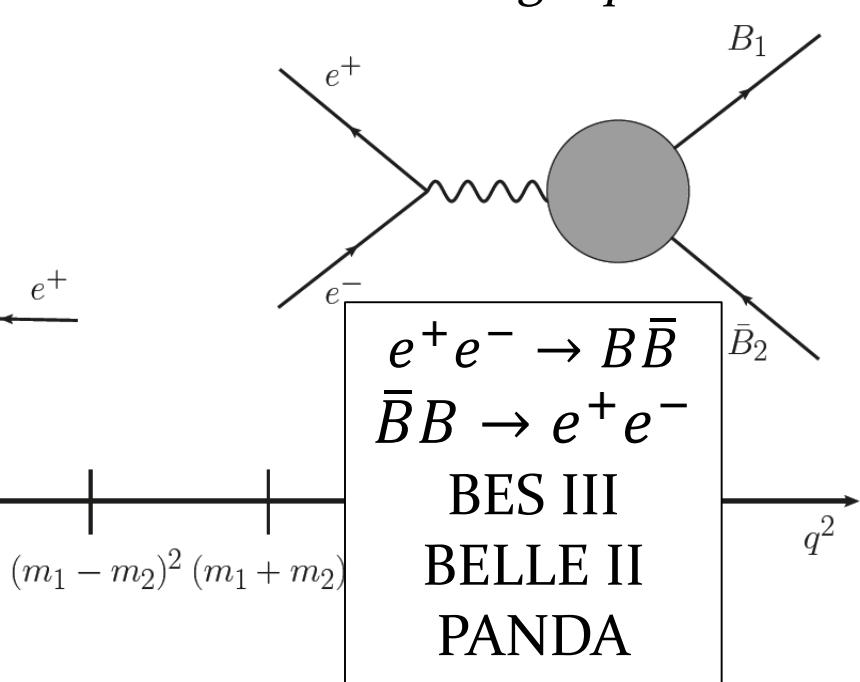
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$$0 \quad 4m_e^2$$

Time-like

$$q^2 > 0$$

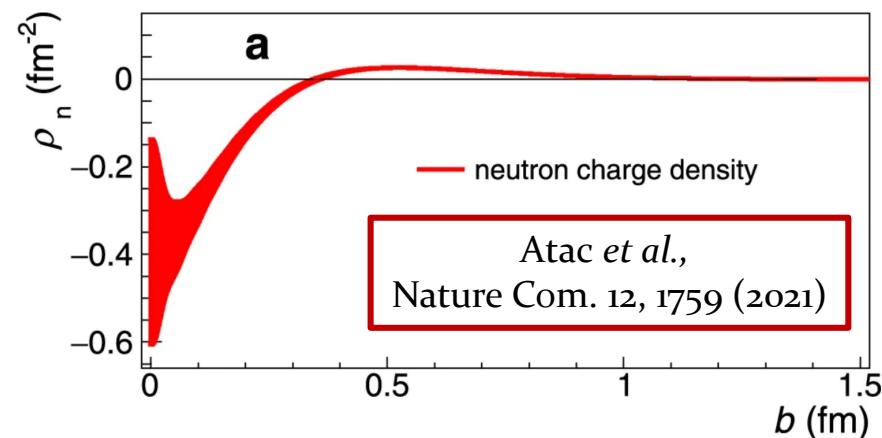
High- $q^2$



$$0 \quad 4m_e^2 \quad (m_1 - m_2)^2 \quad (m_1 + m_2)$$

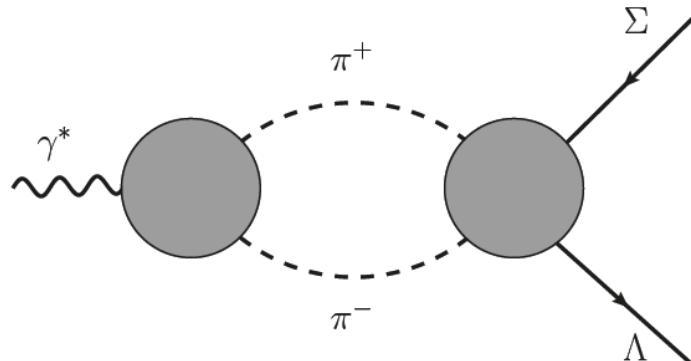
# Space-like form factors

- Number of EMFFs =  $2J+1 \rightarrow$  spin  $1/2$  baryons have 2.
- Dirac and Pauli FFs  $F_1$  (spin non-flip) and  $F_2$  (spin flip).
- Sachs FFs  $G_E$  and  $G_M$ .
  - $G_E(q^2) = F_1(q^2) - \tau F_2(q^2)$
  - $G_M(q^2) = F_1(q^2) + F_2(q^2)$
  - $\tau = q^2/4M_B^2$
  - Charge radius:  $\langle r_E^2 \rangle = 6 \frac{dG_E(q^2)}{dq^2} \Big|_{q^2=0}$
  - Magnetic radius:  $\langle r_M^2 \rangle = \frac{6}{G_M(0)} \frac{dG_M(q^2)}{dq^2} \Big|_{q^2=0}$



# Time-like form factors

- Related to space-like EMFFs *via* dispersion relations.
  - Are complex:
    - $G_E(q^2) = |G_E(q^2)| \cdot e^{i\Phi_E}$  ,  $G_M(q^2) = c \cdot e^{i\Phi_M}$
    - Ratio  $R = \frac{|G_E(q^2)|}{|G_M(q^2)|}$  accessible from baryon scattering angle.
    - $\Delta\Phi(q^2) = \Phi_M(q^2) - \Phi_E(q^2)$  = phase between  $G_E$  and  $G_M$
    - Phase a reflection of intermediate fluctuations of the  $\gamma^*$  into e.g.  $\pi\pi$ .
- Polarises final state!



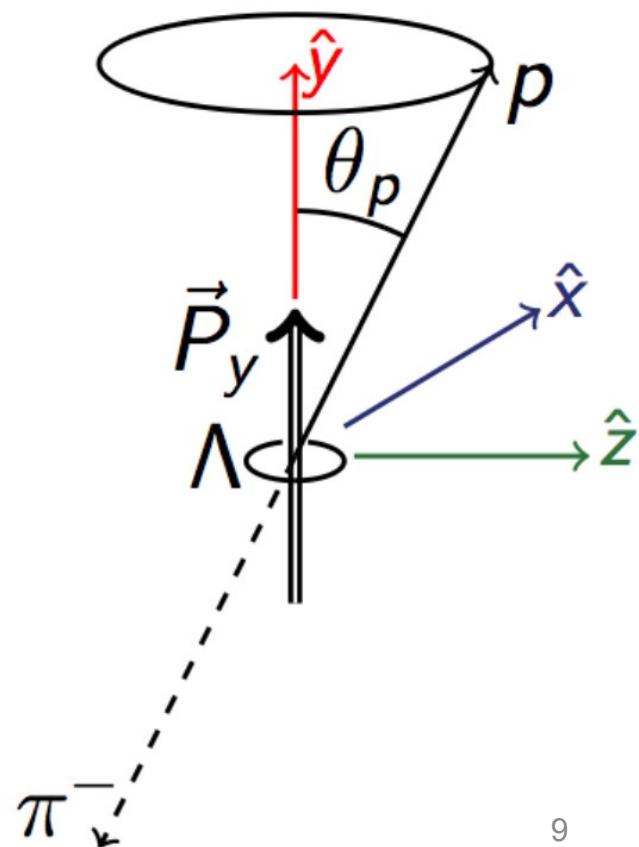
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Elisabetta Perotti, PhD Thesis,  
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# Advantage of hyperons

Polarisation experimentally accessible  
by the weak, parity violating decay:

Example:

$$I(\cos\theta_p) = N(1 + \alpha_\Lambda P_\Lambda \cos\theta_p)$$



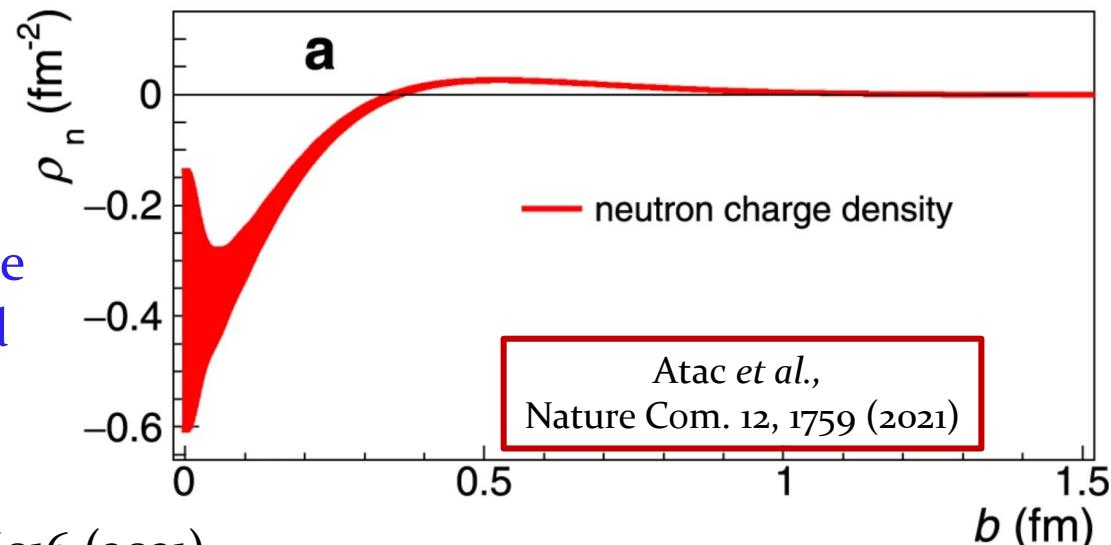
# Nucleon *versus* hyperon EMFFs

Asymptotic behaviour as  $|q^2| \rightarrow \infty$ : SL  $\sim$  TL

- Nucleons: SL and TL accessible.
- Hyperons: Only TL accessible, but also phase!  
 $SL = TL \leftrightarrow \Delta\Phi(q^2) \rightarrow 0$  as  $|q^2| \rightarrow \infty$  (or at  $> q_{asy}^2$ )

Baryon charge radius:

- Neutron: Found to be negative \*,\*\*
- Neutral hyperons: Can be calculated from  $q_{asy}^2$  and  $Im(R(q^2)) = Im(\frac{G_E(q^2)}{G_M(q^2)})$



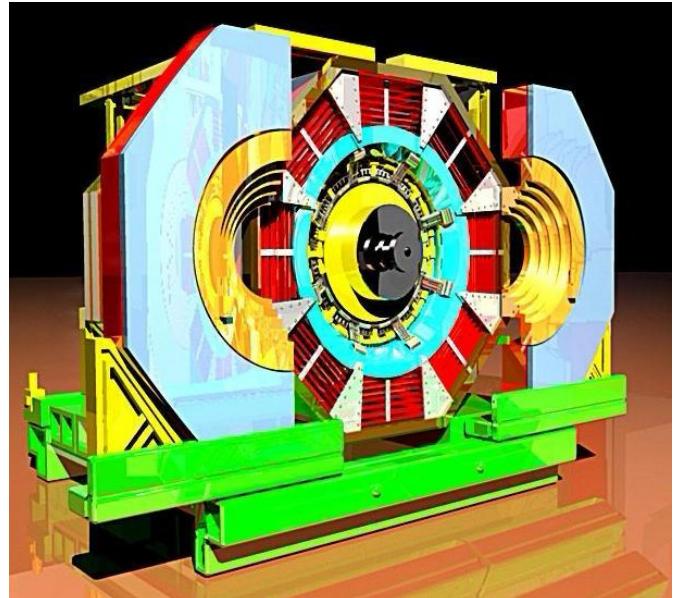
\*Mangoni *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D 104, 116016 (2021)

\*\*Atac *et al.*, Nature Com. 12, 1759 (2021)

# Recent measurements by BESIII

- Study the  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow B\bar{B}$ , where  $B = \Lambda, \Sigma, \Xi, \Lambda_c^+$
- Beijing Electron Positron Collider (BEPC II):
  - $e^+ e^-$  collider within CMS range 2.0 – 4.95 GeV.
  - Optimised in the  $\tau$ -charm region.
- Beijing Spectrometer (BES III):
  - Near  $4\pi$  coverage
  - Tracking, PID, Calorimetry
  - Broad physics scope

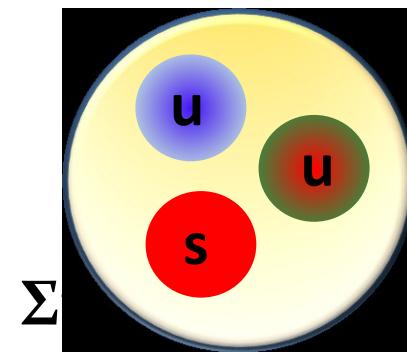
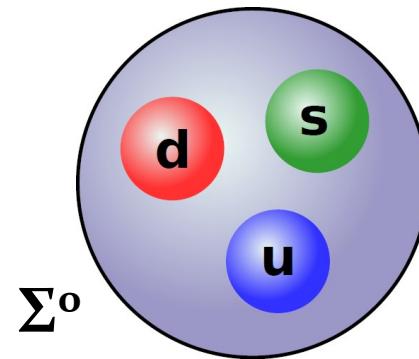
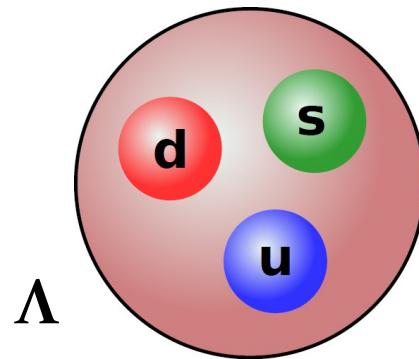
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# Single-strange hyperons

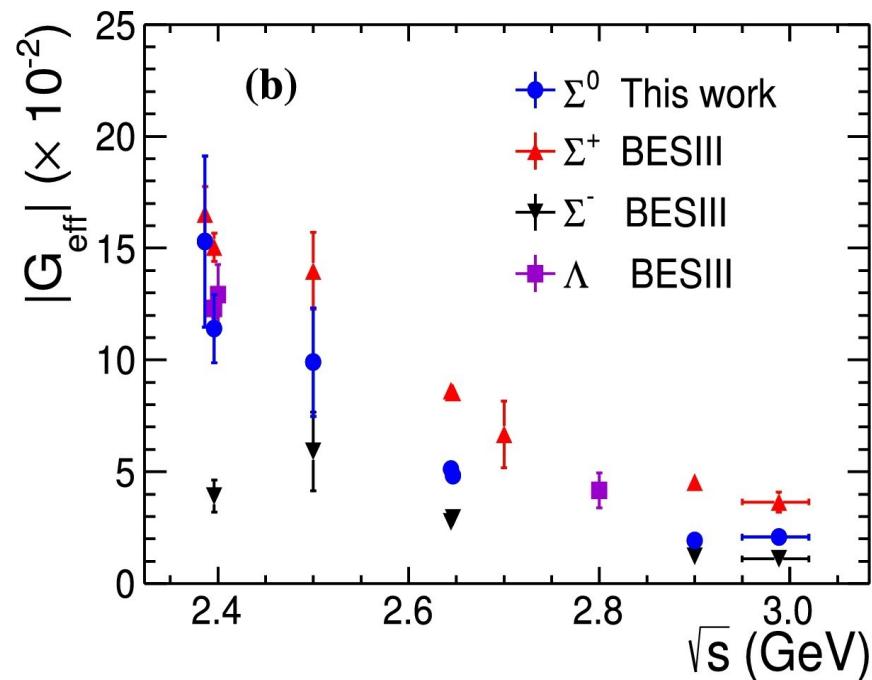
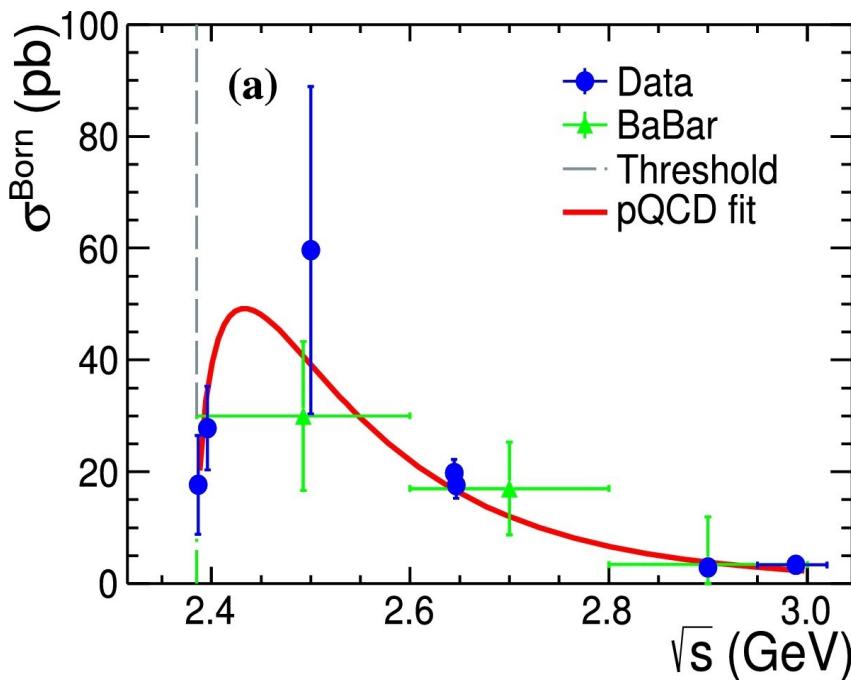
Diquark correlations in baryons?

- The  $\Sigma^0$  has isospin 1 whereas  $\Lambda$  has isospin 0
  - Strange quark has no isospin → difference is in the  $ud$  diquark.
  - Different isospin structure → different spin structure.
  - Difference in cross section and form factors expected.\*
- In  $\Sigma^+$ , the  $uu$  should have same spin structure as the  $ud$  in  $\Lambda$ .
  - Similar cross sections expected.\*



# Single-strange hyperons

- $\Lambda/\Sigma^+$  effective FFs similar as expected from diquark correlations.\*,\*\*,\*\*\*
- $\Sigma^+/\Sigma^-$  cross section ratio  $\sim 9^{**}$ , in disagreement with the expected SU(3) symmetry breaking of 10-30% .



\* BESIII: Phys. Lett. B 831, 137187 (2022)

\*\* BESIII: Phys. Lett. B 814, 136110 (2021)

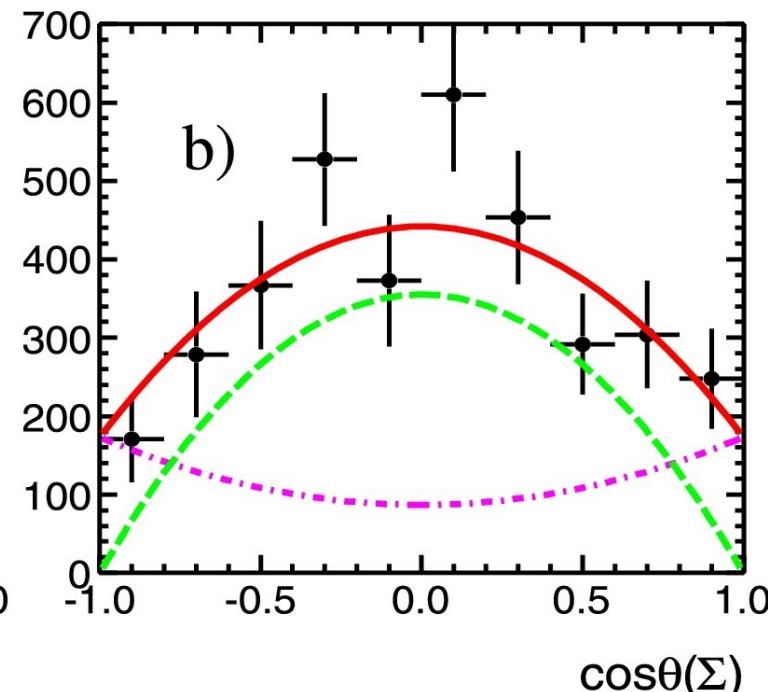
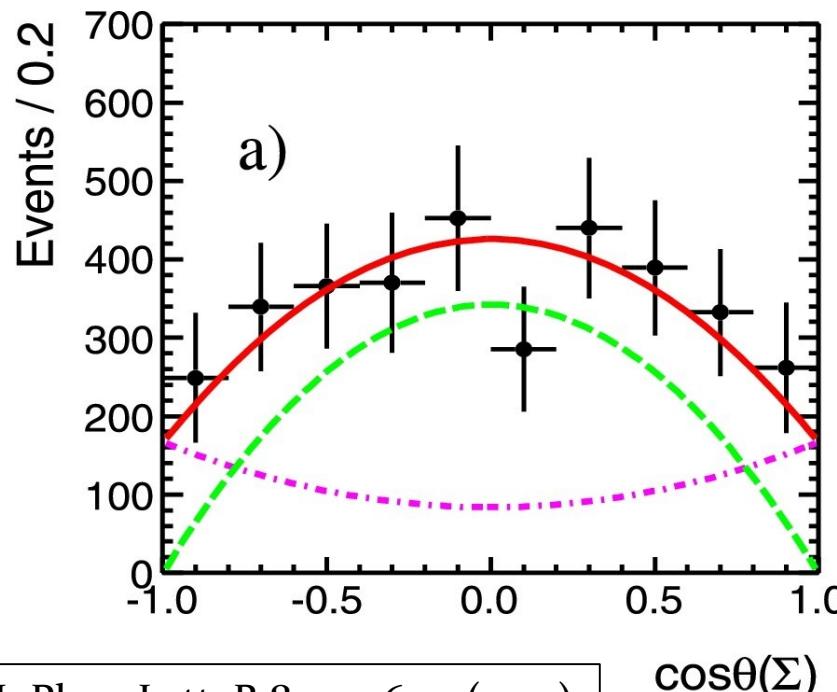
\*\*\* BESIII: Phys. Rev. D 97, 032013 (2018)

# Single-strange hyperons

$\Sigma^+$  Form Factor Ratio:

$$R = \frac{|G_E(q^2)|}{|G_M(q^2)|} \text{ measured at } 2.396 \text{ GeV to be } 1.83 \pm 0.26$$

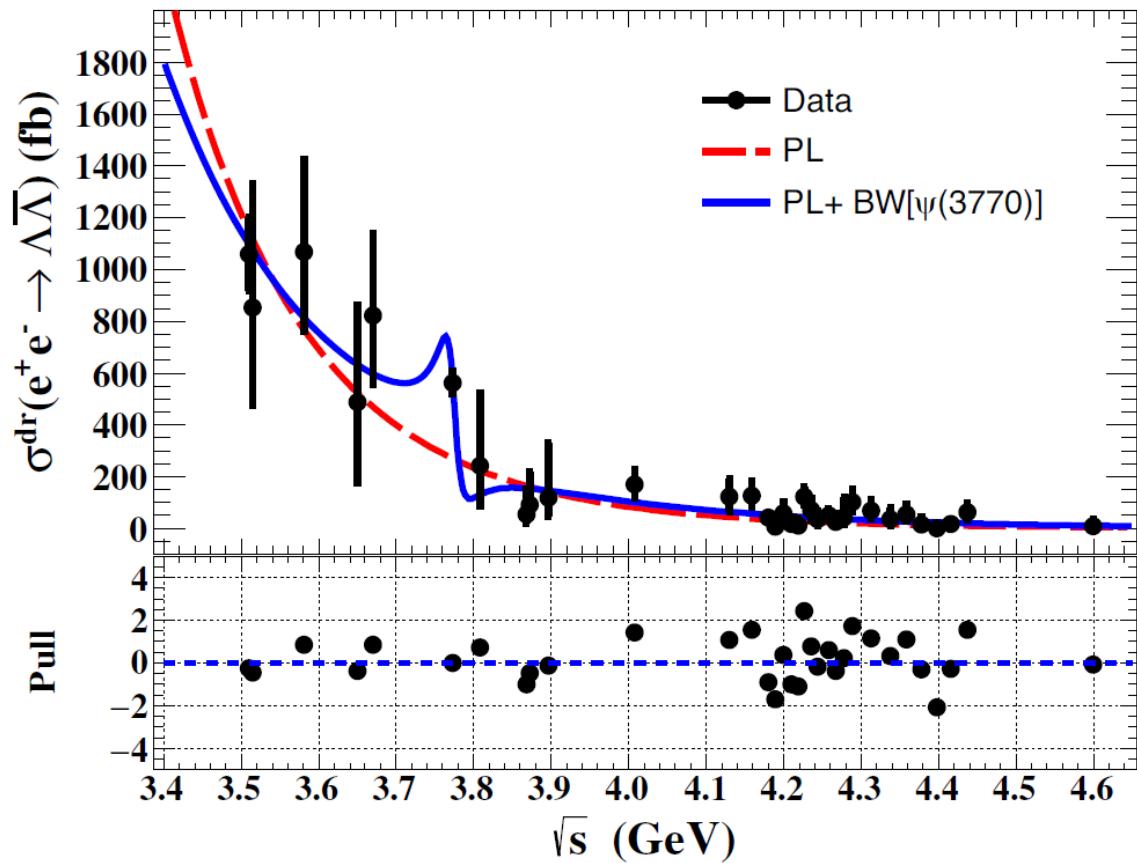
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# Production of $\Lambda$ at high $q^2$

- $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$  production near vector charmonia\*, \*\*
- $BR(\Psi \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}) > 10$  times larger than assumed in previous studies by CLEO-c\*\*\*.

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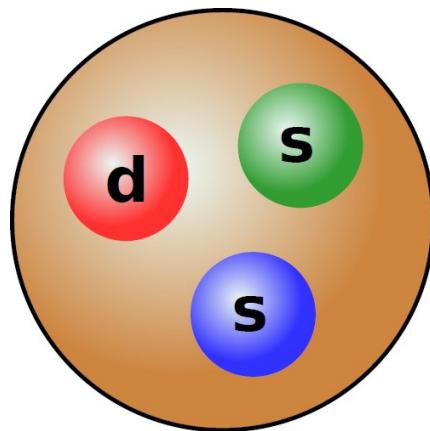
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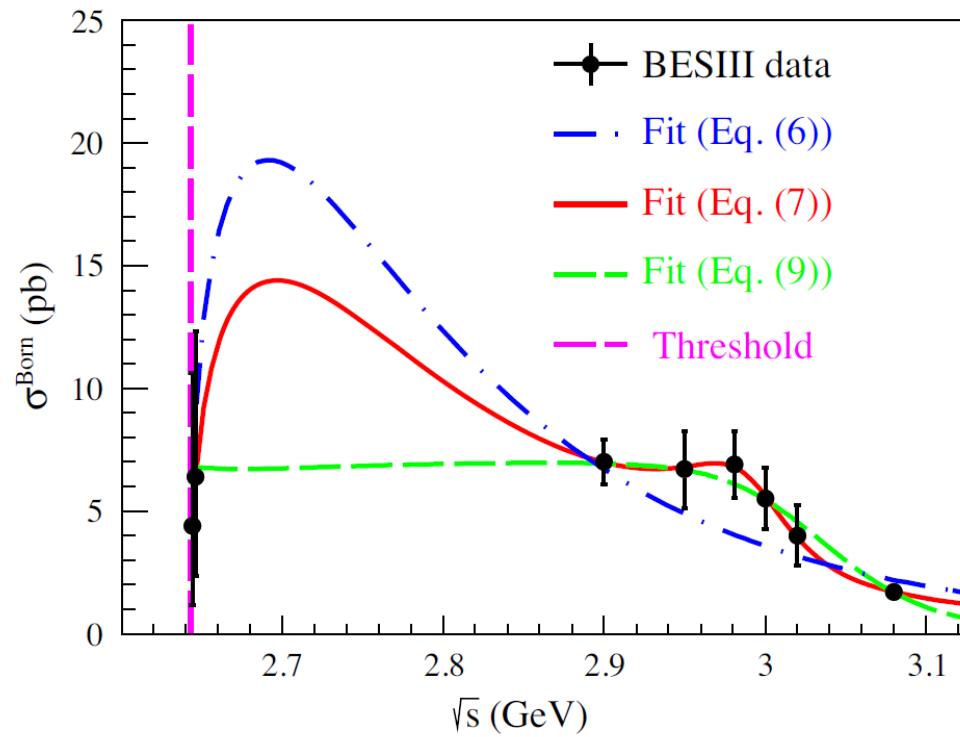
\*\*\* CLEO-c: Phys. Rev. D 96, 092004 (2017); Phys. Lett. B 739, 90 (2014)

# Double-strange hyperons

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Xi^-\bar{\Xi}^+$  studied for the first time.
- Possible resonance around 3 GeV.

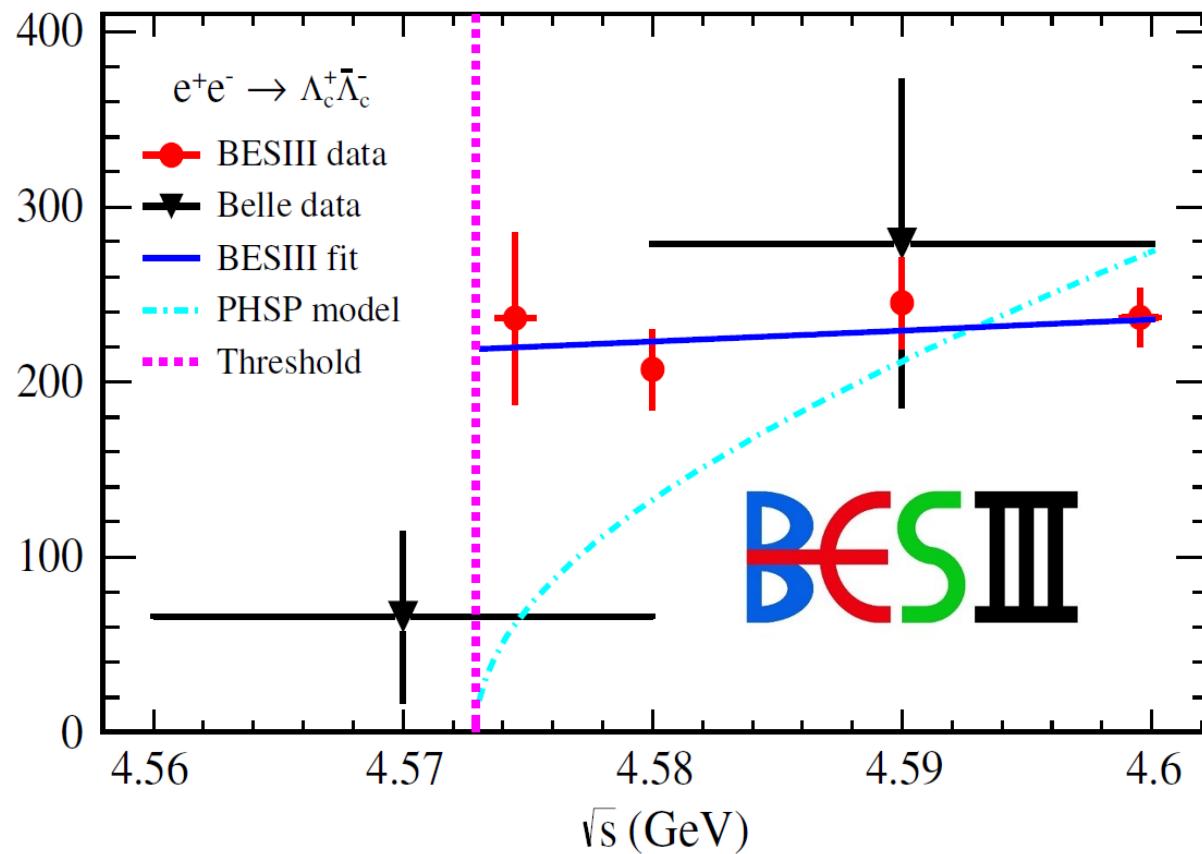


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# Single-charm $\Lambda_c^+$ baryons

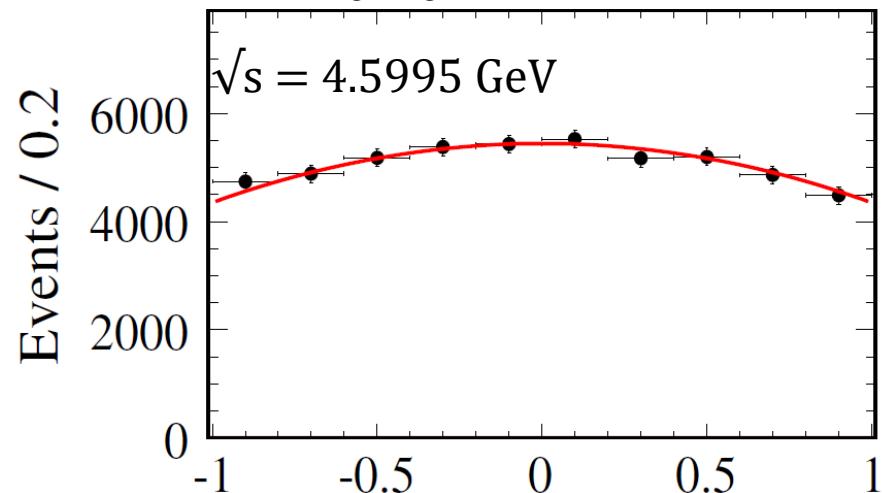
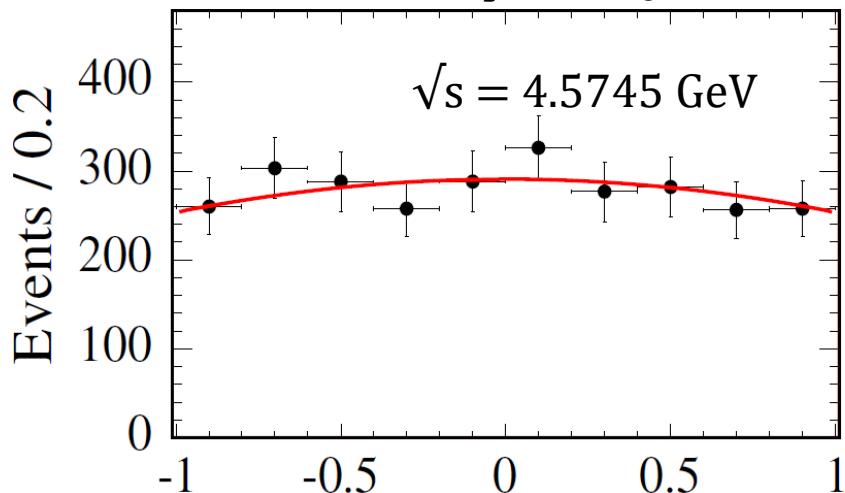
The charm baryon  $\Lambda_c^+$  EMFF's in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\bar{\Lambda}_c^-$ .\*



- First direct measurement of  $\Lambda_c^+$  EMFF's.
- Most precise cross section measurement so far.
- Data very close to threshold.

# Single-charm $\Lambda_c^+$ baryons

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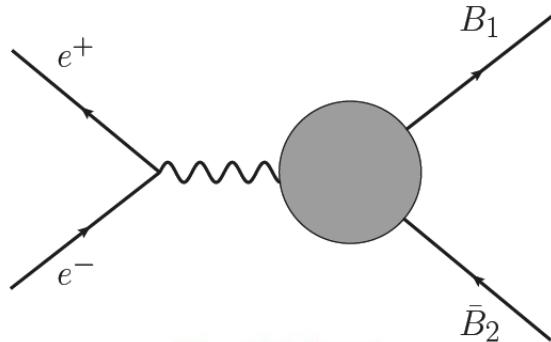


- Angular distributions extracted at  $\sqrt{s} = 4.5745$  GeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 4.5995$  GeV.
- Ratio  $|G_E/G_M|$  of  $\Lambda_c^+$  FF's measured for the first time.

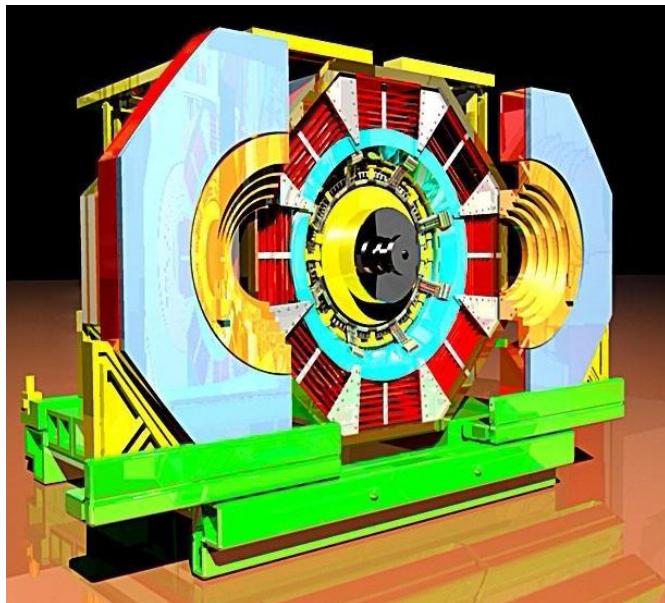


$\sqrt{s}$ MeV	$ G_E/G_M $
4574.5	$1.10 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.07$
4599.5	$1.23 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.03$

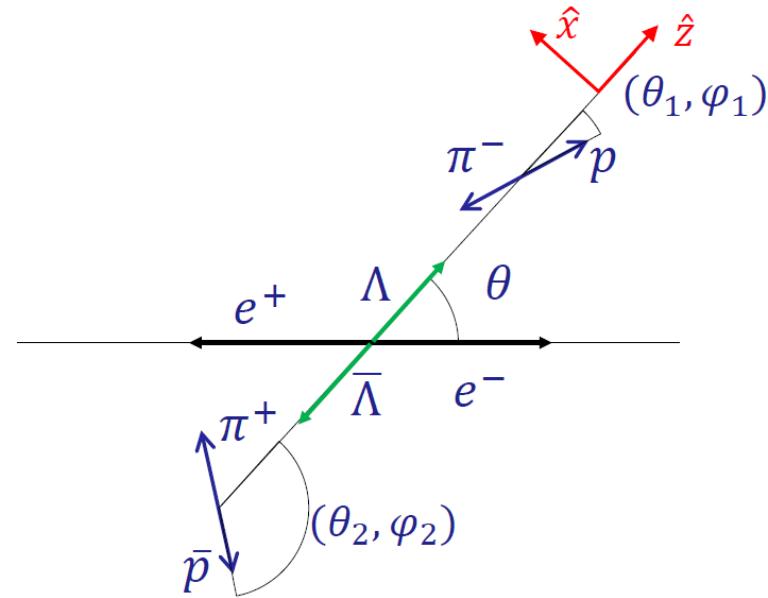
# Spin Analysis



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Consider  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{Y}Y, Y \rightarrow BM + c.c$



# Spin Analysis

Production parameters of spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  baryons:

- Angular distribution parameter  $\eta$
- Phase  $\Delta\Phi$

Decay parameters for 2-body decays:  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ .

**Unpolarized part**    **Polarised part**    **Correlated part**

$$W(\xi) = F_0(\xi) + \eta F_5(\xi) - \alpha_1 \alpha_2 (F_1(\xi) + \sqrt{1-\eta^2} \cos(\Delta\Phi) F_2(\xi) + \eta F_6(\xi)) + \sqrt{1-\eta^2} \sin(\Delta\Phi) (\alpha_1 F_3(\xi) - \alpha_2 F_4(\xi))$$

$$\mathcal{T}_0(\xi) = 1$$

$$\mathcal{T}_1(\xi) = \sin^2 \theta \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \cos \phi_1 \cos \phi_2 + \cos^2 \theta \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2$$

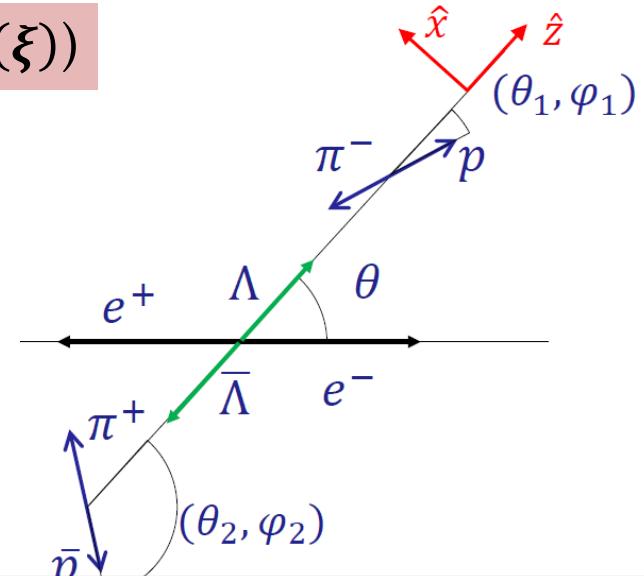
$$\mathcal{T}_2(\xi) = \sin \theta \cos \theta (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \cos \phi_1 + \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \cos \phi_2)$$

$$\mathcal{T}_3(\xi) = \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin \theta_1 \sin \phi_1$$

$$\mathcal{T}_4(\xi) = \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin \theta_2 \sin \phi_2$$

$$\mathcal{T}_5(\xi) = \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\mathcal{T}_6(\xi) = \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin^2 \theta \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \sin \phi_1 \sin \phi_2$$



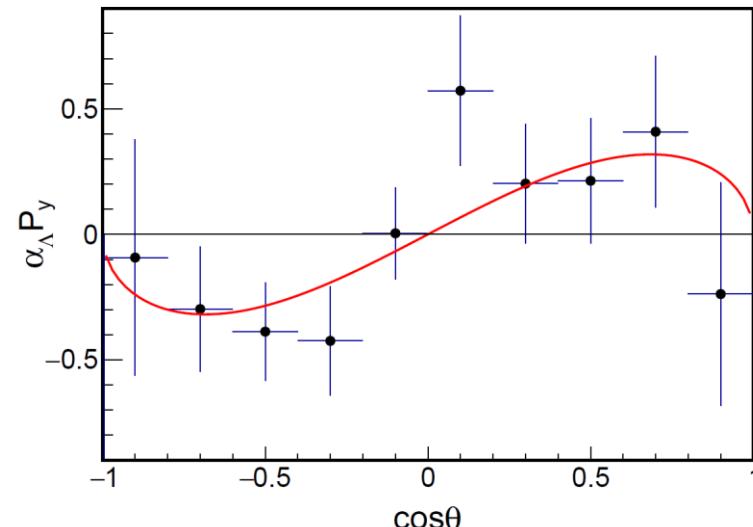
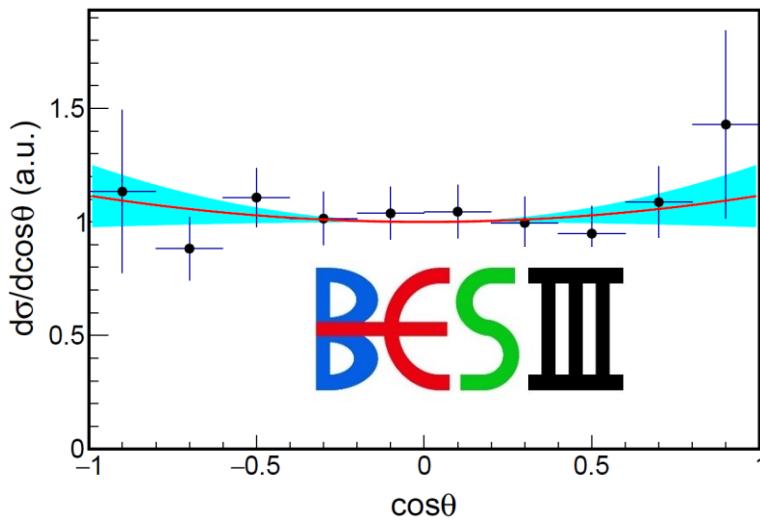
# First complete measurement of $\Lambda$ EMFF

- New BESIII data at 2.396 GeV with 555 exclusive  $\bar{\Lambda}\Lambda$  events in sample.

- $R = |G_E/G_M| = 0.96 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.02$
- $\Delta\Phi = 37^\circ \pm 12^\circ \pm 6^\circ$
- $\sigma = 118.7 \pm 5.3 \pm 5.1 \text{ pb}$

BESIII:  
 Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 122003 (2019)

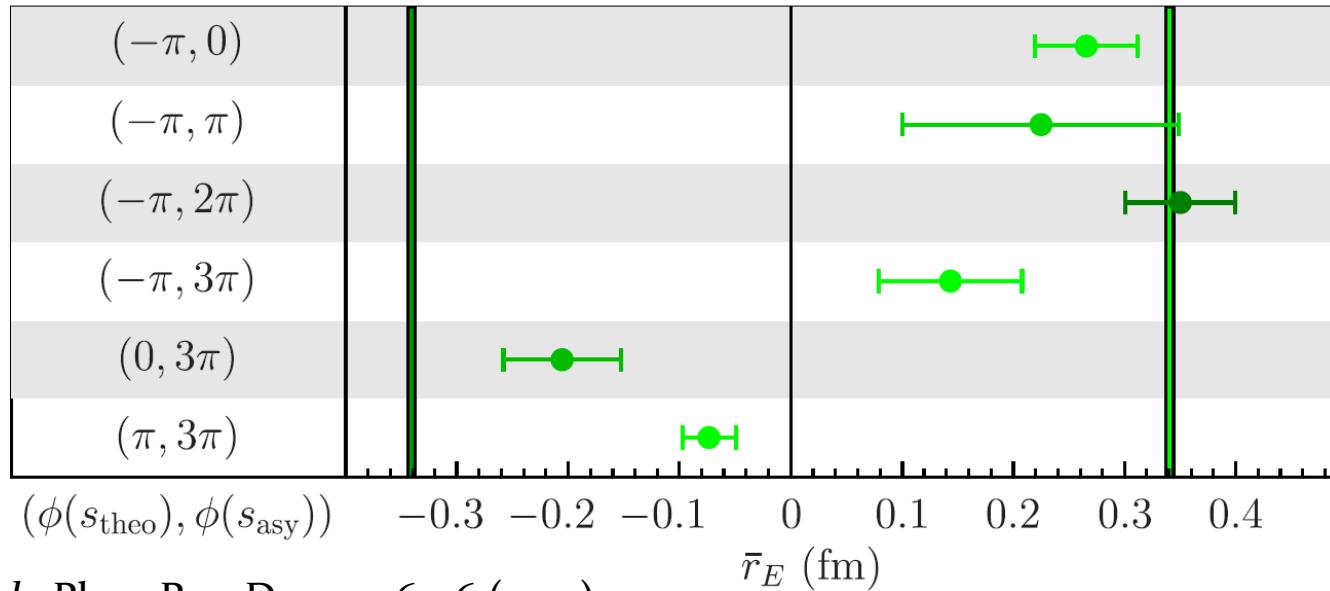
- Most **precise** result on  $R$  and  $\sigma$
- First conclusive result on  $\Delta\Phi$



# Theory interpretation

Mangoni, Pacetti & Tomasi-Gustafsson\*:

- How many times does  $\sin\Delta\Phi$  cross zero before approaching an integer multiple of  $\pi$ ?
- Fit of different data from \*\* and \*\*\* to different scenarios  
→ calculations of charge radius!



\*Mangoni *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D 104, 116016 (2021)

\*\*BESIII: Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 122003 (2019)

\*\*\*BaBar: Phys. Rev. D 76, 092006 (2007)

# Summary

- Hadron structure is a tool to understand the strong interaction.
- Time-like form factors most viable structure observable for hyperons.
- Many new results from the BESIII experiment
  - single- and double strange hyperons
  - charm baryons
- Hyperon polarisation provide information about space-like structure *e.g.* charge radius.
- More data collected → STAY TUNED !!!





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