





# **BESIII results on time-like baryon form factors**

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# The structure of hadrons

Hadrons: non-perturbative systems

- Their electromagnetic interactions can be described by long distance functions:
  - Electromagnetic form factors,
  - Parton Distribution Amplitudes,
  - Fragmentation Functions,
  - Generalized Parton Distributions,

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 By a global analysis of scattering and annihilation experiments one can determine these functions and understand the hadron structure





# 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 data
- Measurement of proton electromagnetic form factors (FFs) at BESIII using:
  - Scan technique:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\overline{p}$
  - Initial state radiation (ISR) technique:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\overline{p}\gamma$
- Measurement of hyperon FFs:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \overline{\Lambda}_c^-, e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda \overline{\Lambda}$
- Ongoing analysis on the measurement of baryon FFs at BESIII
- Summary

# Proton electromagnetic FFs: the analyticity



- Electric  $G_E$  and magnetic  $G_M$  proton 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<sup>2</sup>, test QCD scaling

# Time-Like proton electromagnetic FFs



- No individual determination of  $G_E$  and  $G_M$
- Steep behavior of the effective FF (G<sub>eff</sub>) at threshold
- Structures appeared in BaBar data (PRD 87 (2013) 092005)?



# **BESIII** data samples



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

#### Based on 157 pb<sup>-1</sup> collected in 12 scan points between 2.22 – 3.71 GeV in 2011/2012:



- Beam associated background
- Physical background: charged lepton/meson pair production,
- and  $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\overline{p}\pi^0, p\overline{p}\pi^0\pi^0, \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$



Charged tracks reconstructed by the MDC Particle identification:

- dE/dx and **TOF** (Prob(p) > Prob(K/ $\pi$ )
- Proton:  $E_{EMC}/p < 0.5$ ,  $\cos\theta < 0.8$
- III. Two charged tracks
  - back-to-back in c.m.s
  - Momentum constraints for p and pbar

- Background negligible or subtracted
- Signal efficiency between 60% and 3%

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



N<sub>obs</sub>: observed number of data

N<sub>bkg</sub>: background evaluated from MC

L: luminosity;  $\epsilon$ : detection efficiency; (1+ $\delta$ ) and C: radiative and Coulomb 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 $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\overline{p}$ at BESIII Phys. Rev. D91, 112004 (2015)

Extraction of the electromagnetic  $R = |G_E|/|G_M|$  ratio



### Measurement of proton FFs with ISR technique



### Measurement of proton FFs with tagged ISR technique

#### Event selection:

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

- Two charged tracks from vertex •
- One high energy shower in EMC (Tagged ISR)
- Kinematic constraints applied •
- Background evaluation and subtraction •

- Combine the seven data samples  $(7.4 \text{ fb}^{-1})$
- The proton FFs extracted between the threshold and 3.0 GeV
- Systematic uncertainty included



#### Proton effective FF

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#### Baryon pair production: unexpected behavior near threshold



- Strong energy dependence near threshold with other charged baryons?
- Cross section for neutral baryon production near threshold?

### Electromagnetic form factors of Hyperons

#### Hyperon pair production:

Possibility to be much closer to the threshold than the proton case with a direct production





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

BESIII has collected in 2014 significant data sample close to the  $\Lambda_c$  threshold:

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

$\sqrt{s}$ [GeV]	Luminosity [pb <sup>-1</sup> ]
4.5745	47.67
4.580	8.545
4.590	8.162
4.5995	566.9

- First direct measurement of  $\Lambda_c$  form factors
- Data are very close to threshold
- Measurement of the Born cross section at 4 energy points below 4.6 GeV with **unprecedented statistical accuracy (**~1.3% at 4.6 GeV **)**
- **Possible determination** of the  $\Lambda_c$  FF ratio at 4.57 and 4.6 GeV



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

Measurement of the angular distributions at center of mass energies 4.5745 and 4.5995 GeV:



First time measurement of the  $\Lambda_c^+$  form factor ratio

$\sqrt{s}$ [GeV]	Luminosity [pb <sup>-1</sup> ]	$ G_E / G_M $
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## Cross section measurement of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda \overline{\Lambda}$ at BESIII

Based on 40.5 pb<sup>-1</sup> collected in 4 scan points between 2.2324 - 3.08 GeV in 2012:



- Non-zero behavior at threshold: in theory Coulomb correction is not considered
- Results are consistent with previous measurements: precision improved by 10%

### Prospects: New energy scan 2015

#### Scan data 2015 between 2 and 3.08 GeV (552 pb<sup>-1</sup>)



Unprecedented determination of baryons (proton, neutron, hyperons) form factors with a direct production of baryon pairs

### Prospects: New energy scan 2015

#### Proton form factors

- Precise measurement of proton FFs  $(|G_M| \text{ and } |G_F|)$  in narrow q<sup>2</sup>-bins
- Expected (MC) statistical accuracies on  $R=|G_E|/|G_M|=1$ , between 9 % and 35%



#### $\Lambda$ form factors:

- 6 points between 2.23 -2.9 GeV: unprecedented data samples.
- First determination of the ralative phase  $\phi$  between  $G_E$  and  $G_M$  at 2.396 GeV
- Enough statistics at 4 energy points to extract  $R=|G_E|/|G_M|$



# Summary

- The **proton FFs** are measured at 12 c.m. energies based on 2012 scan data:
  - The effective FF measurements are in good agreement with previous experiments, improving the overall uncertainty by ~30%.
  - The  $|\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{E}}|/|\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{M}}|$  ratio is extracted at three energy points, with uncertainty in 25% and 50% (dominated by statistics).
- Preliminary results on the proton FF measurement from the tagged-ISR analysis have been shown. Untagged ISR analysis is also ongoing.
- Preliminary results on *A* FF measurement based on 2012 scan data have been also shown
- First measurement of  $\Lambda_c$  FFs (effective FF and FF ratio) in direct baryon pair production
- The measurements of baryon FFs will be significantly improved with the 2015 energy scan data from 2.0 GeV to 3.08 GeV

Thank you for your attention

# Back-up slides

### Measurement of proton FFs with untagged ISR technique



Event selection (untagged analysis)

- Two charged tracks
- Identification of the non detected ISRphoton based on the distributions of the **missing momentum** and the **missing mass squared**.
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$\sqrt{s} \; (\text{GeV})$	Channel
2.2324	$\Lambda \to p\pi^-, \overline{\Lambda} \to \overline{p}\pi^+$
	$\overline{\Lambda}  ightarrow \overline{n} \pi^0$
	combined
2.4000	$\Lambda \to p\pi^-, \overline{\Lambda} \to \overline{p}\pi^+$
2.8000	
3.0800	

 $\overline{\Lambda} \to \overline{n} \pi^0$ 

- Multiply Variable Analysis tool (Boosted Decision Tree)
- The final states of  $\pi^0$  has a monomomentum around 105 MeV.



### Prospects: hyperon FFs at BESIII

#### Scan data 2015 between 2 and 3.08 GeV (552 pb<sup>-1</sup>)

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda \overline{\Lambda}, \Lambda \rightarrow p\pi$$



• Polarization is accessible thanks to the weak, parity violating decay:  $\frac{dN}{d\cos\theta_p} \propto 1 + \alpha_{\Lambda} P_n \cos\theta_p$ 

$$P_{n} = -\frac{\sin 2\theta \sin \Delta \phi / \tau}{R \sin^{2} \theta_{\Lambda} / \tau + (1 + \cos^{2} \theta_{\Lambda}) / R} = \frac{3}{\alpha_{\Lambda}} \langle \cos \theta_{p} \rangle$$

- First determination of the ralative phase  $\phi$  between  $G_E$  and  $G_M$
- Enough statistics at 4 energy points to extract  $R=|G_E|/|G_M|$
- Analysis are ongoing



# **BEPC-II and BESIII detector**

#### **Beijing Electron Positron Collider**

#### **BESIII detector**



RPC:8 RPC: 9 Electro Magnetic Calorimeter lavers layers SC Solenoid> Barrel TOF Endcap\_  $\cos\theta=0.93$ ToF SC · Ouadrupole

**Electromagnetic Calorimeter**  $\sigma_{\rm F}/\sqrt{\rm E}(\%)$ =2.5% (1 GeV), (Csl)  $\sigma_{z,\phi}$ (cm)=0.5-0.7 cm/ $\sqrt{E}$ 

**Muon Counter**  $\sigma_{xv}$ <2 cm

- Symmetric e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collider Ο
- Beam energy: 1.0 2.3 GeV Ο
- Optimum energy: 1.89 GeV Ο
- Design luminosity: 10<sup>33</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> Ο
- Crossing angle: 22 mrad Ο

**Time Of Flight**  $\sigma_{\tau}$ (barrel)=90 ps  $\sigma_{T}(endcap)=110 \text{ ps}$ 

**Main Drift Chamber**  $\sigma_{xy}$ =130 mm, dE/dx~6%  $\sigma_{\rm p}/\rm p$  = 0.5% at 1 GeV

cos0=0.83