

Determination of the Σ^+ timelike electromagnetic form factors

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Outline

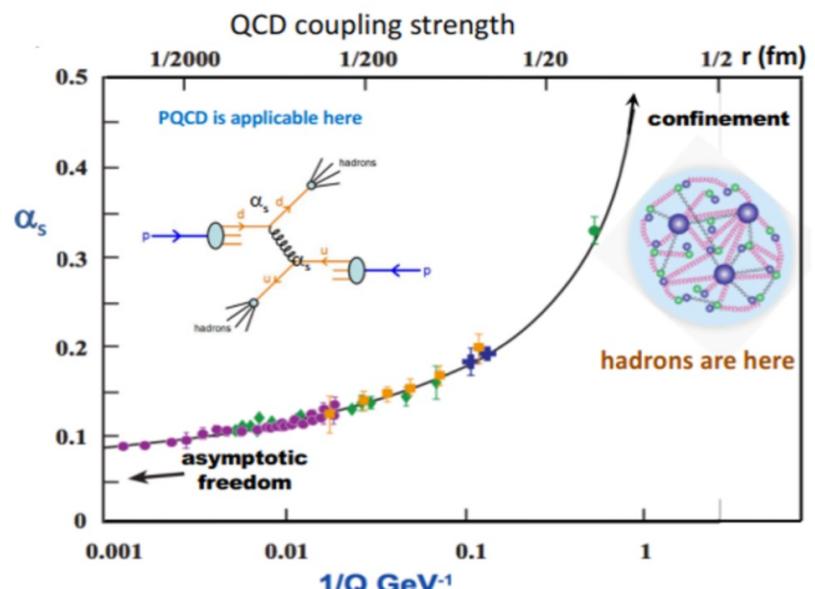
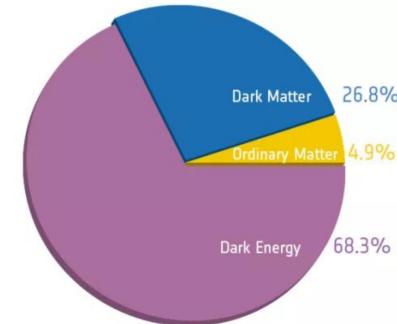
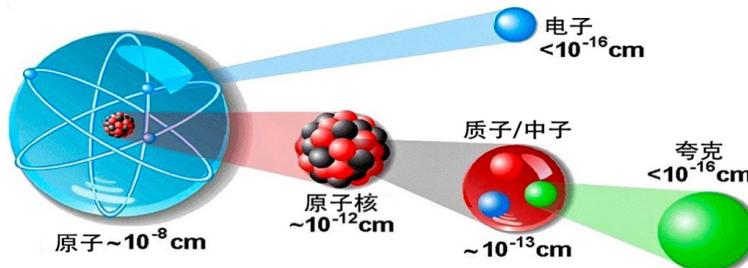
■Introduction

■Study of Σ^+ TL EMFFs at BESIII

■Summary

Introduction| Internal structure of nucleons

- The proton (uud) and the neutron (udd) are collectively referred to as **nucleons**, and they are the lightest baryons. They make up over 99% of visible matter in the universe

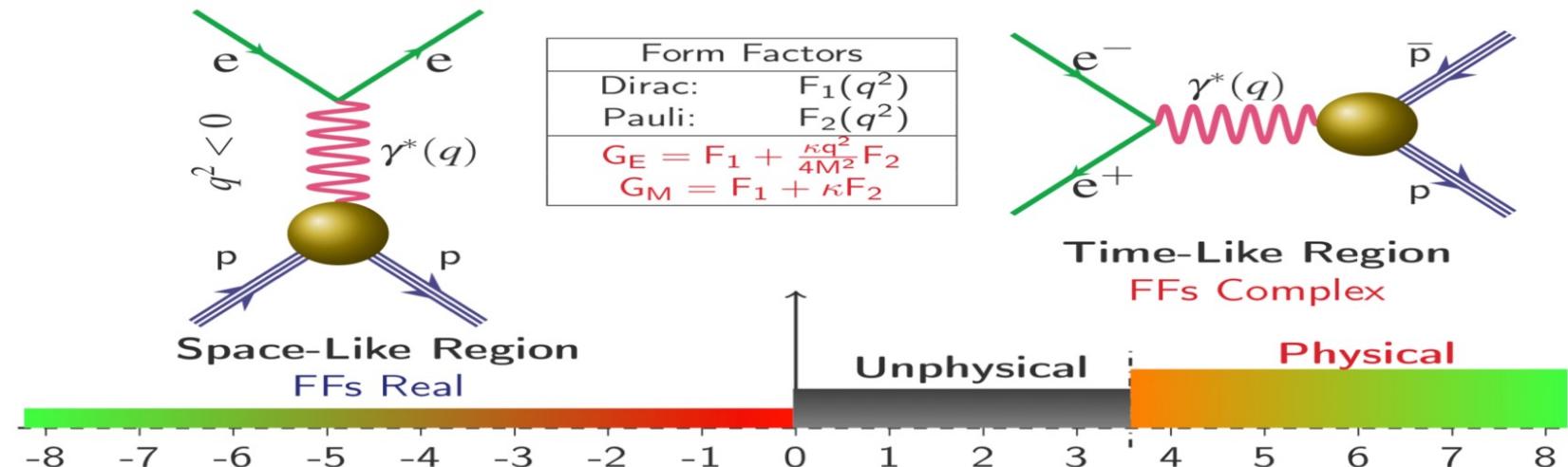


- At low Q , perturbative QCD does not work well (expansion of coupling constant α_s)

Nucleon structure must be measured in experiments!

Introduction| Electromagnetic form factors (EMFFs)

- Fundamental properties of the baryon
 - Connected to charge, magnetization distribution
 - Crucial testing ground for models of the baryon internal structure



- The baryon **electromagnetic vertex** Γ_μ describing the hadron current:

$$\Gamma_\mu(p', p) = \gamma_\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu}q^\nu}{2m} F_2(q^2)$$

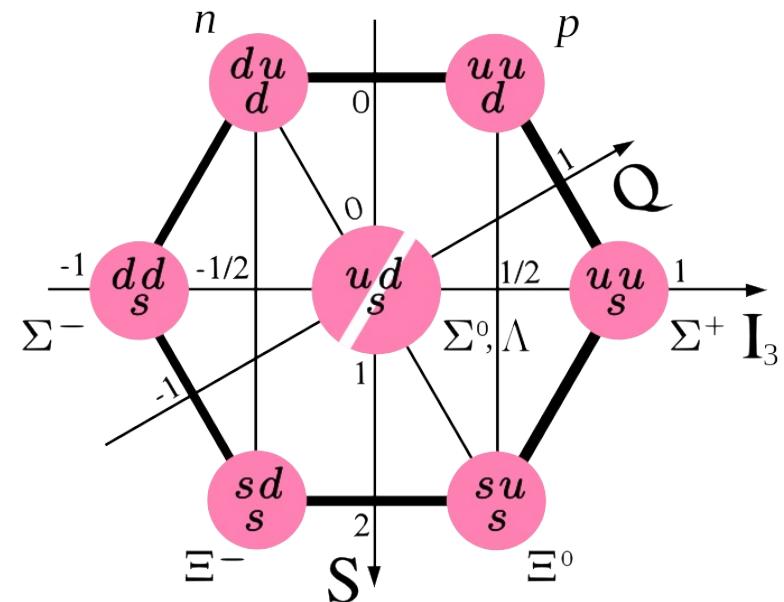
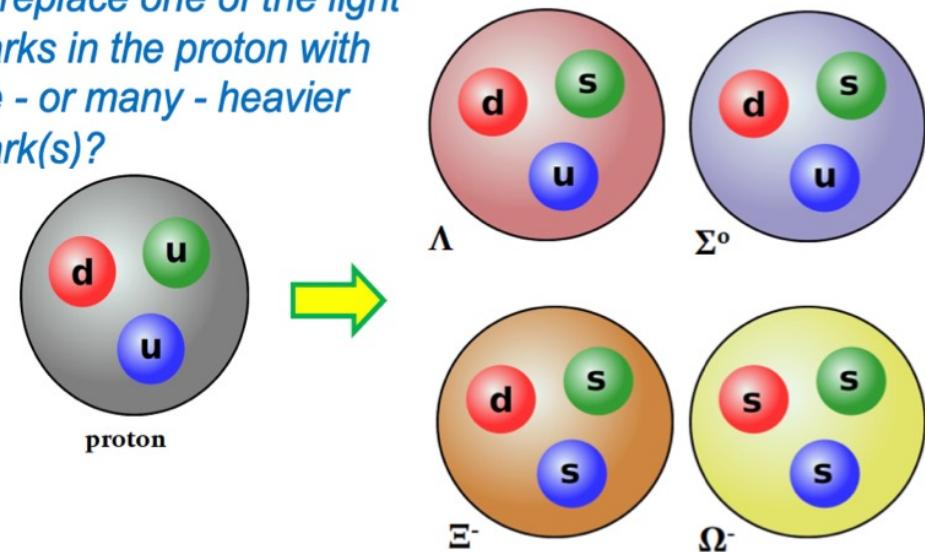
$$\text{Sachs FFs: } G_E(q^2) = F_1(q^2) + \frac{q^2}{4m} F_2(q^2), \quad G_M(q^2) = F_1(q^2) + F_2(q^2)$$

- Dispersion relation: $F(t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{t_0}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Im}F(t')}{t' - t - i\epsilon} dt', \quad |G_{M,E}(-\infty)| = |G_{M,E}(\infty)|$

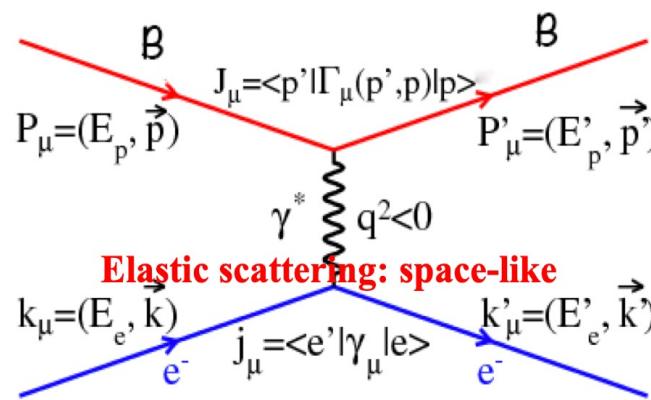
Introduction| Electromagnetic form factors (EMFFs)

- Hyperons and nucleons have very similar quark compositions
- Research on hyperons can provide more information about the baryon system

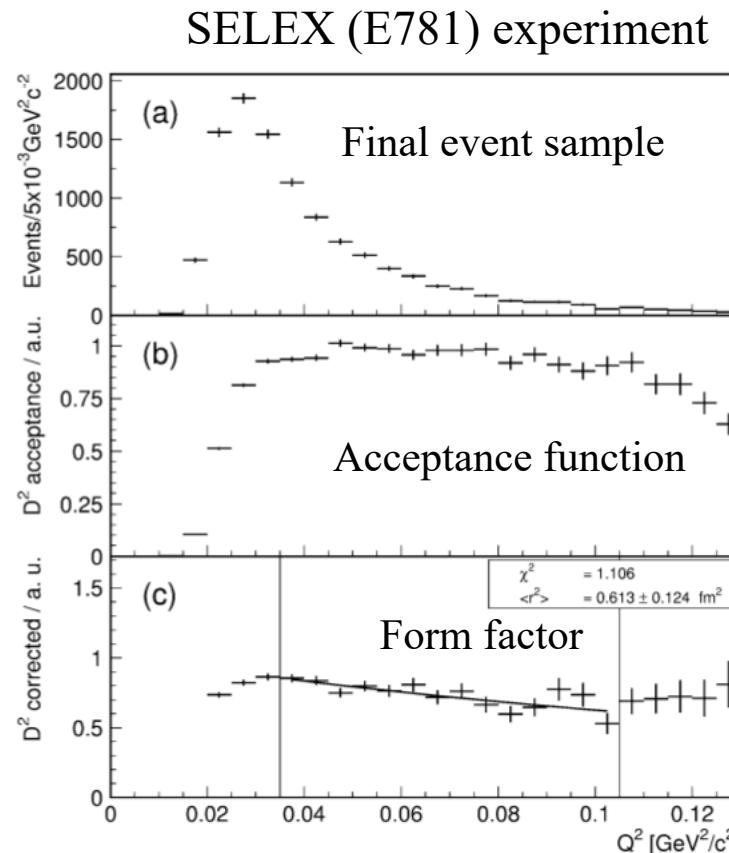
*What happens if
we replace one of the light
quarks in the proton with
one - or many - heavier
quark(s)?*



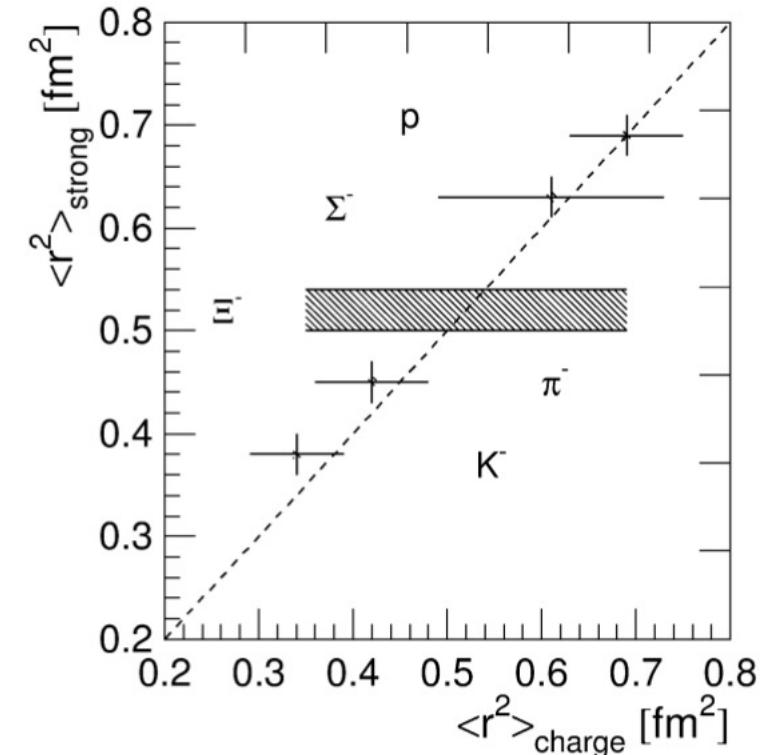
Introduction| Spacelike(SL) EMFFs of hyperon



Difficult to produce stable and high-quality hyperon beams



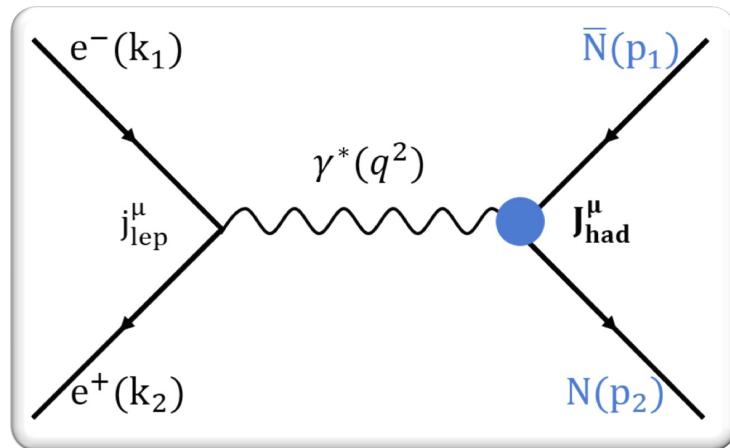
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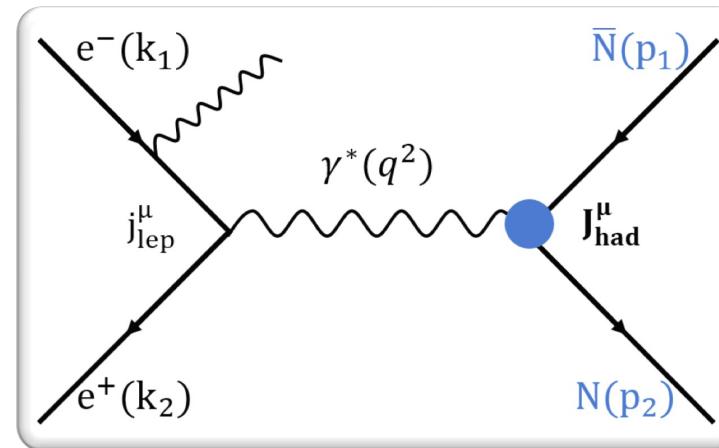
- Only one experiment by elastic scattering of a Σ^- beam off atomic electrons
- Due to kinematic constraints, the range of $|q^2|$ for exploring EMFFs is limited

Introduction| Timelike(TL) EMFFs of hyperon

Energy scan



Initial-state-radiation

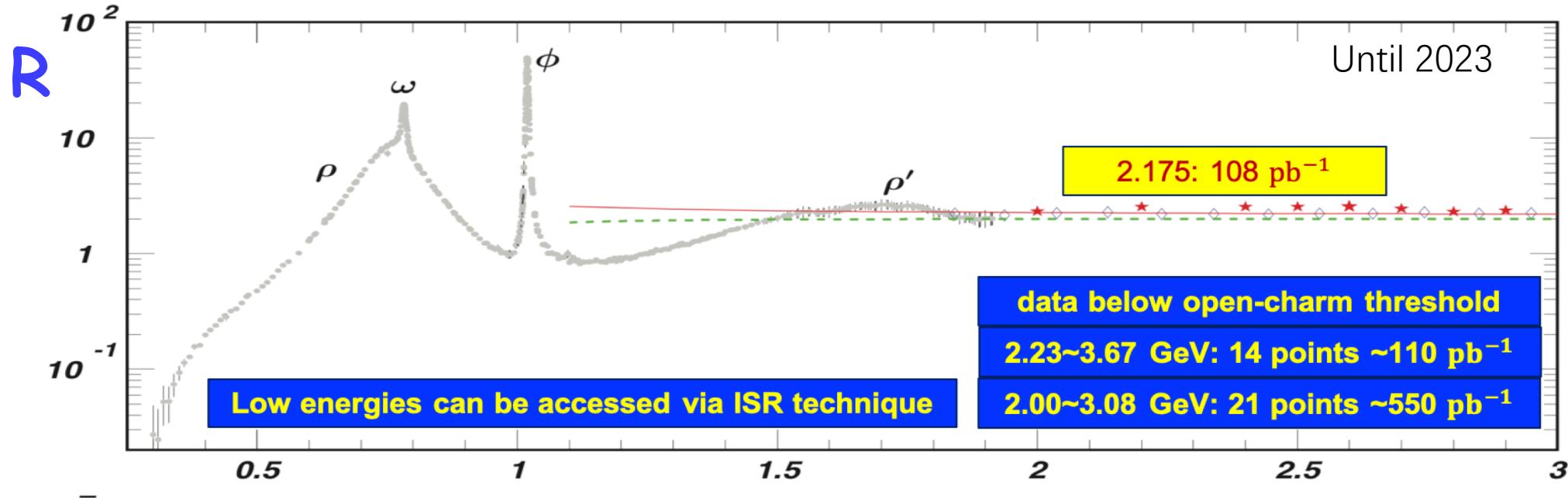


| | Energy Scan | Initial State Radiation |
|-------------------|--|---|
| E_{beam} | discrete | fixed |
| \mathcal{L} | low at each beam energy | high at one beam energy |
| σ | $\frac{d\sigma_{p\bar{p}}}{d(\cos \theta)} = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta C}{4q^2} [G_M ^2 (1 + \cos^2 \theta) + \frac{4m_p^2}{q^2} G_E ^2 \sin^2 \theta]$ | $\frac{d^2\sigma_{p\bar{p}\gamma}}{dx d\theta_\gamma} = W(s, x, \theta_\gamma) \sigma_{p\bar{p}}(q^2)$ $W(s, x, \theta_\gamma) = \frac{\alpha}{\pi x} \left(\frac{2 - 2x + x^2}{\sin^2 \theta_\gamma} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right)$ |
| q^2 | single at each beam energy | from threshold to s |

$\sim \frac{1}{400}$

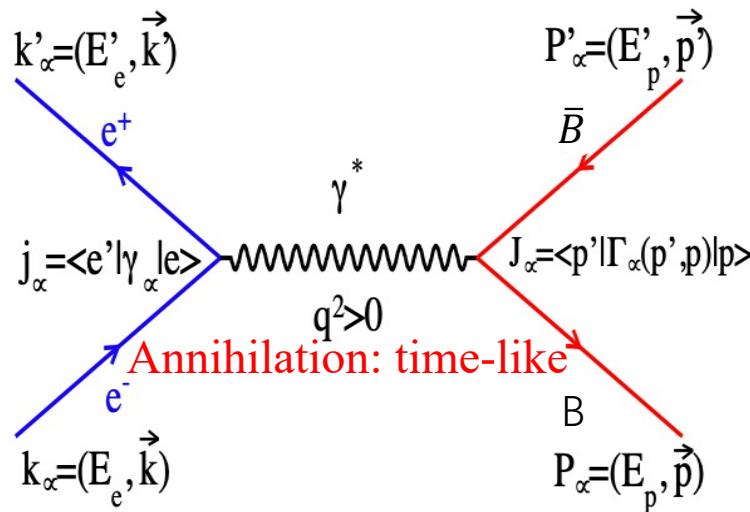
Both techniques, **energy scan** and **initial state radiation**, can be used at BESIII

Introduction| Data Samples Collected at BESIII



- R-scan (2.000-3.080 GeV, $\sim 650 \text{ pb}^{-1}$)
- BESIII provides an ideal platform for complete determination of the hyperon timelike EMFFs

Introduction| Complete information of TL EMFFs



The hyperons can be produced in e^+e^- annihilation above their production threshold

- Born cross section($e^+e^- \rightarrow B\bar{B}$ via one-photon exchange):

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

- Ratio $|G_E/G_M|$ reflects polar angle distribution of produced baryon!
- In the time-like region

$$G_E(q^2) = |G_E(q^2)|e^{i\Phi_E};$$

$$G_M(q^2) = |G_M(q^2)|e^{i\Phi_M}$$

- Relative phase: $\Delta\Phi = \Phi_E - \Phi_M$

Introduction| Complete information of TL EMFFs

- A non-zero phase has polarization effect on the hyperon, $P_y \propto \sin(\Delta\Phi)$

$$P_y = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \alpha^2} \sin \theta \cos \theta}{1 + \alpha \cos^2 \theta} \sin(\Delta\Phi) \quad \text{Phys. Lett. B 772, 16-20 (2017)}$$

- The **angular** distribution of daughter baryon from Hyperon weak decay is:

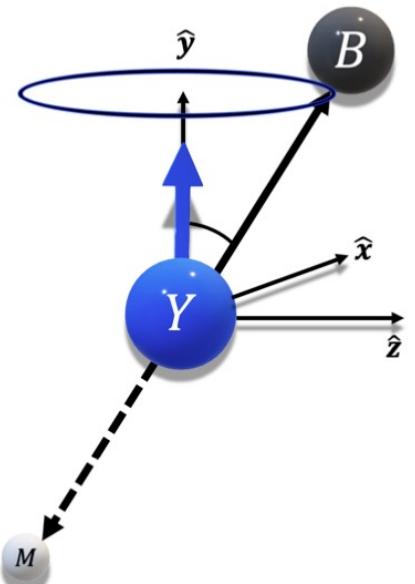
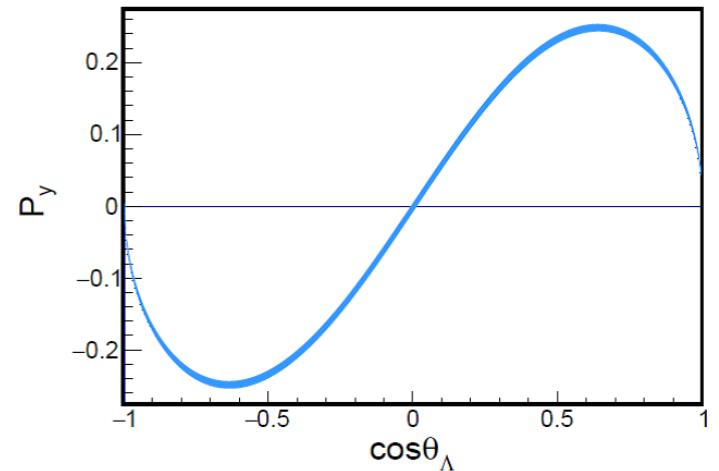
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto 1 + \alpha_Y P_y \cdot \hat{q}$$

- α_Y asymmetry parameter
- \hat{q} : unit vector along the daughter baryon in hyperon rest frame

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W}(\xi) &\propto \mathcal{F}_0(\xi) + \alpha \mathcal{F}_5(\xi) \\ &+ \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \left(\mathcal{F}_1(\xi) + \sqrt{1 - \alpha^2} \cos(\Delta\Phi) \mathcal{F}_2(\xi) - \alpha \mathcal{F}_6(\xi) \right) \\ &+ \sqrt{1 - \alpha^2} \sin(\Delta\Phi) (-\alpha_1 \mathcal{F}_3(\xi) + \alpha_2 \mathcal{F}_4(\xi)) \end{aligned}$$

- With hyperon **weak decay** to Baryon+Meson, the **complete information** of TL EMFFs

(ratio $|G_E/G_M| = \sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4m_\Sigma^2}} \sqrt{\frac{1-\alpha}{1+\alpha}}$ and relative phase $\Delta\Phi$) can be determined!



Introduction | Experimental status of hyperon TL EMFFs

➤ Λ EMFFs

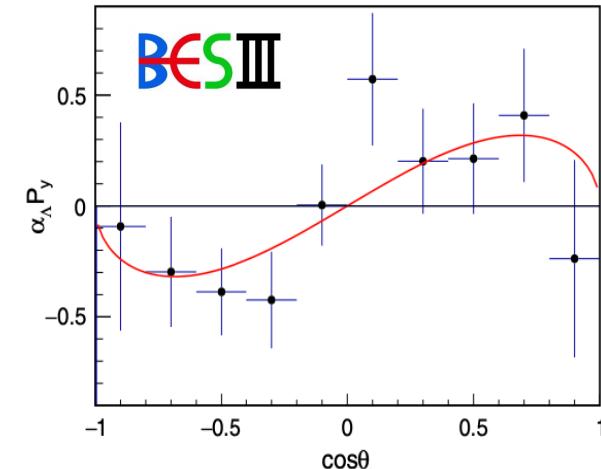
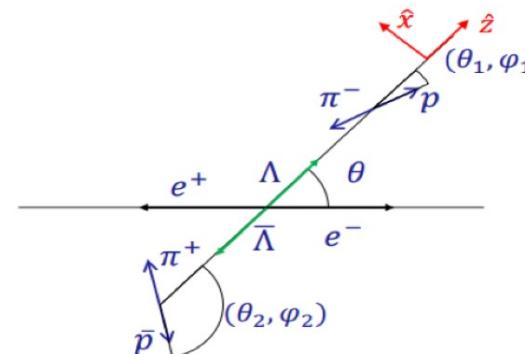
- The **first complete measurement** of the EMFFs of the hyperon at 2.3960 GeV

$$|G_E/G_M| = 0.96 \pm 0.14(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.02(\text{syst.})$$

$$\Delta\Phi = 37^\circ \pm 12^\circ(\text{stat.}) \pm 6^\circ(\text{syst.})$$

(Confirm the complex form of EMFFs)

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➤ Σ EMFFs

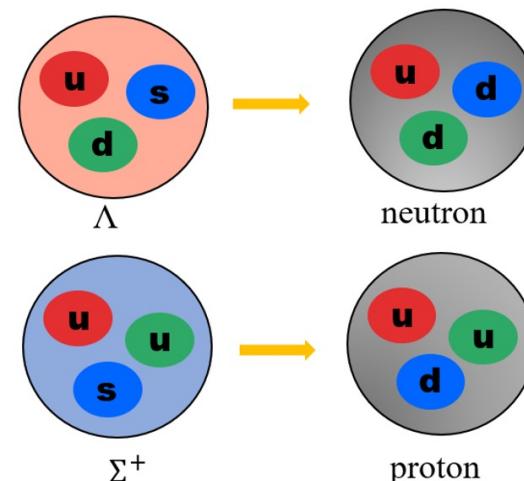
- Only Σ^+ $|G_E/G_M|$ is available, the experimental complete extraction of Σ EMFFs is lack yet ($\Delta\Phi = ?$)

$$|G_E/G_M| = 1.83 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.24 \text{ at } 2.3960 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|G_E/G_M| = 0.66 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.11 \text{ at } 2.6454 \text{ GeV}$$

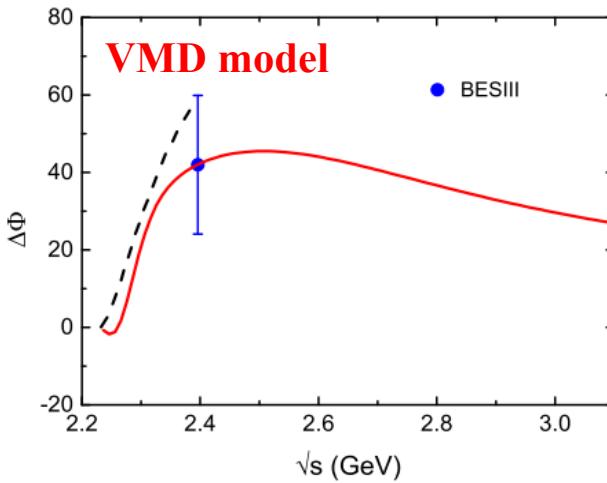
$$|G_E/G_M| = 1.06 \pm 0.36 \pm 0.09 \text{ at } 2.9000 \text{ GeV}$$

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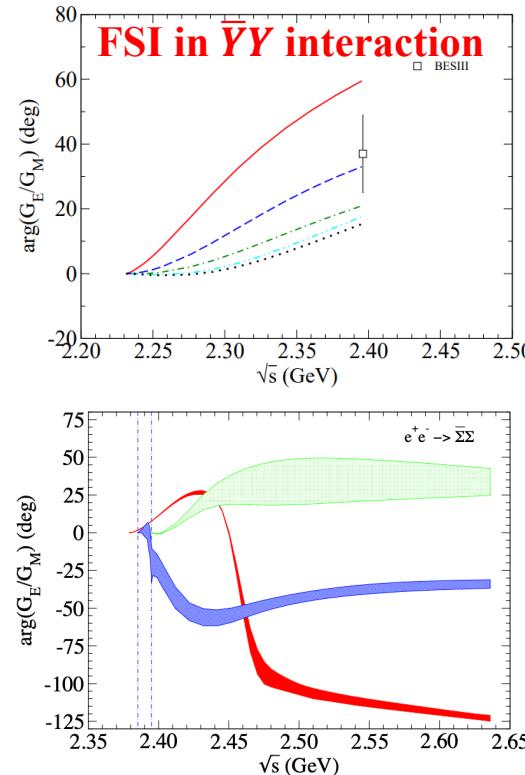


Introduction| Relative phase from various models

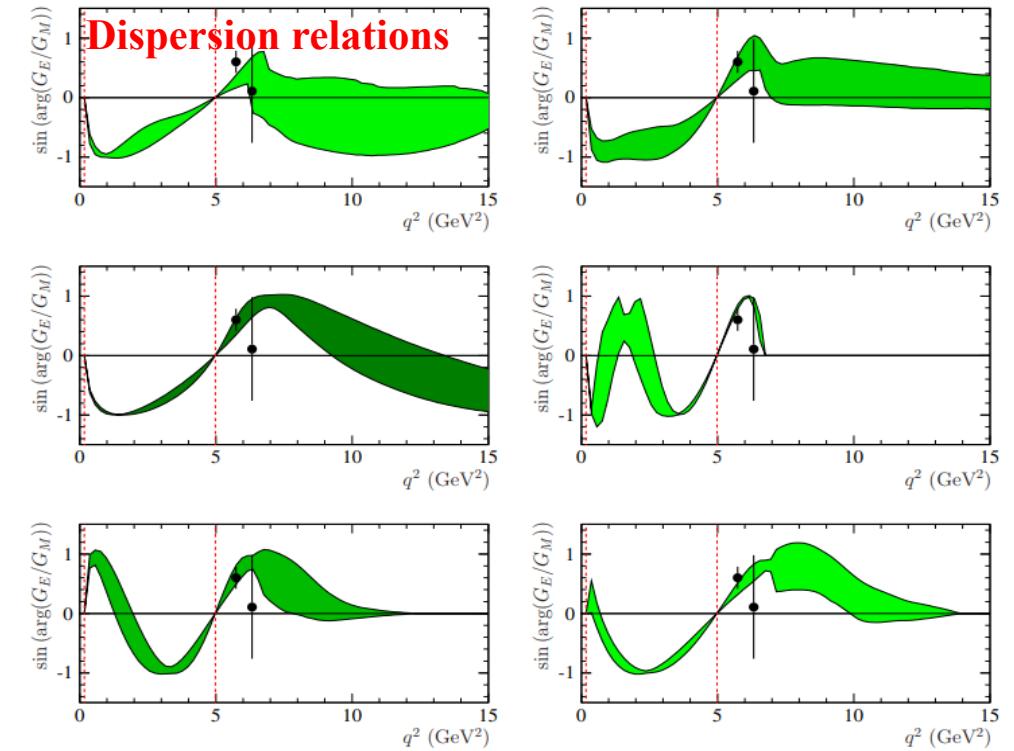
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Measurement of relative phase in a wide q^2 range would be crucial for testing various theoretical models and studying the asymptotic behavior in the TL region, and it will provide essential information for studying the dynamical mechanisms

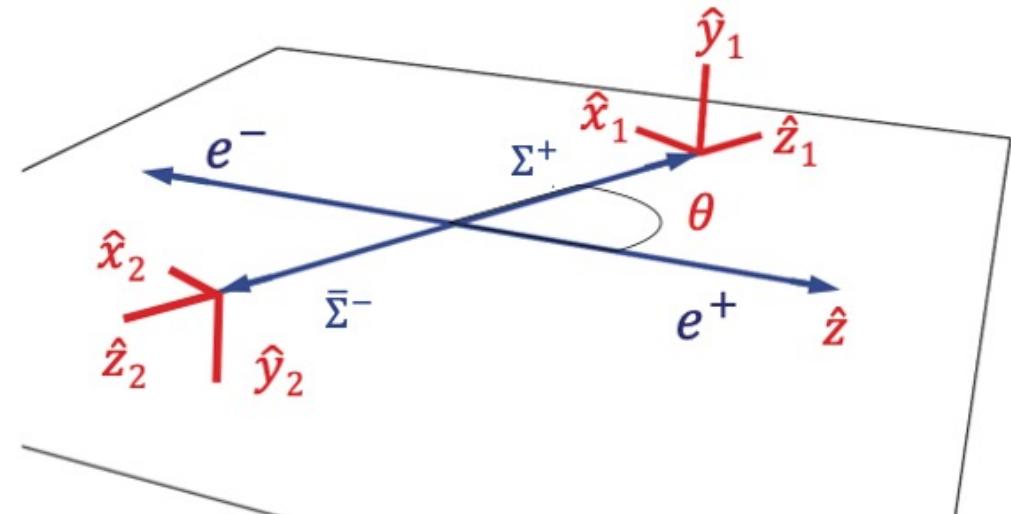
Study of Σ^+ TL EMFFs at BESIII

➤ Decay: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Sigma^+(\rightarrow p\pi^0)\bar{\Sigma}^-(\rightarrow \bar{p}\pi^0)$

➤ Data:

| \sqrt{s} (GeV) | \mathcal{L} (pb $^{-1}$) |
|------------------|-----------------------------|
| 2.3960 | 66.87 |
| 2.6444 | 33.72 |
| 2.6464 | 34.00 |
| 2.9000 | 105.25 |

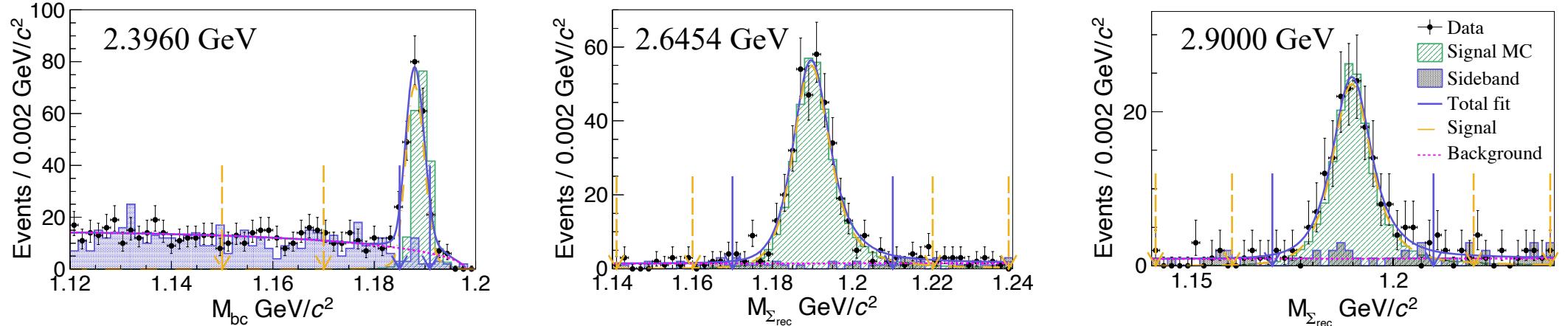
Combined to
2.6454 GeV



➤ Two different reconstruction methods are used to select $\Sigma^+\bar{\Sigma}^-$ pairs

- Single tag(2.3960 GeV): $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Sigma^+\bar{\Sigma}^- \rightarrow \text{anything} + \bar{p}\pi^0$
- Double tag (2.64540 and 2.9000 GeV): $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Sigma^+\bar{\Sigma}^- \rightarrow p\pi^0\bar{p}\pi^0$, but only one π^0 is reconstructed by two photons

Study of Σ^+ TL EMFFs at BESIII

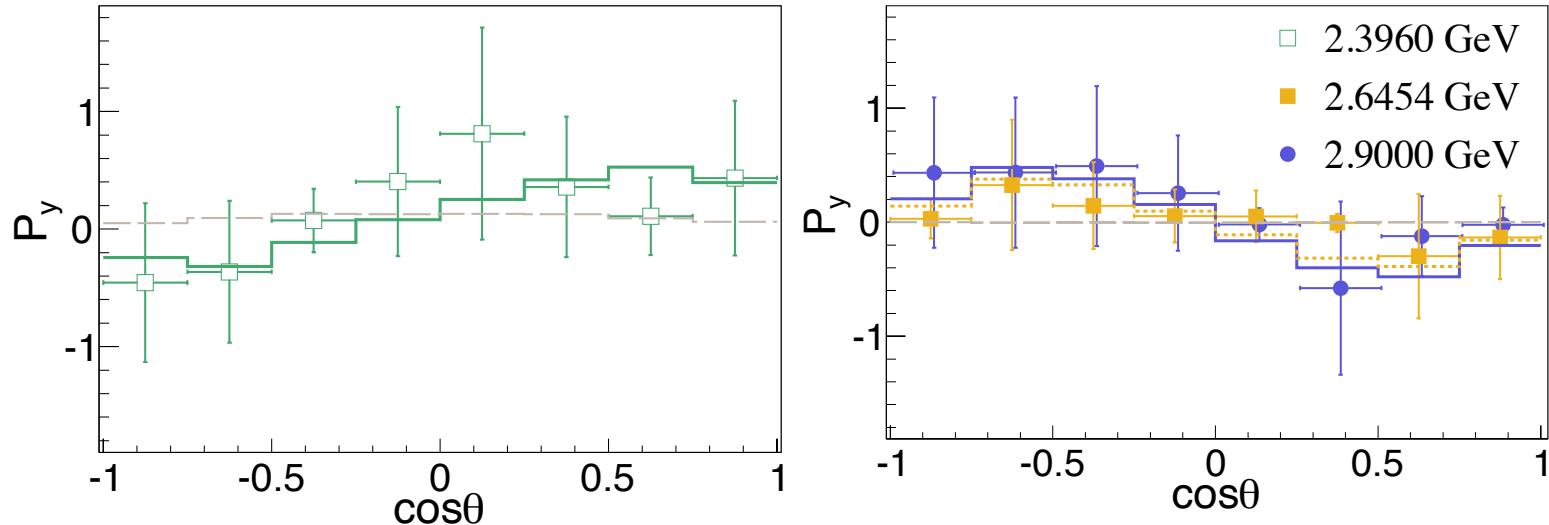


- Maximum likelihood fit
- \mathcal{C} : estimated by PHSP MC

$$S = -\ln \mathcal{L} = -\sum_{i=1}^N \ln \mathcal{CW}(\xi_i; \alpha, \Delta\Phi) \quad S = -\ln \mathcal{L}_{data} + \ln \mathcal{L}_{bkg}$$

| | 2.3960 GeV | 2.6454 GeV and 2.9000 GeV |
|------------------|--|--|
| Signal region | $1.185 < M_{bc} < 1.191 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ | $1.150 < M_{bc} < 1.170 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ |
| Sideband region | $1.150 < M_{bc} < 1.170 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ | $1.141 < M_{\Sigma_{rec}} < 1.160 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ $1.220 < M_{\Sigma_{rec}} < 1.239 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ |
| Background level | 12.7% | 7.7% and 10.2% |

Study of Σ^+ TL EMFFs at BESIII



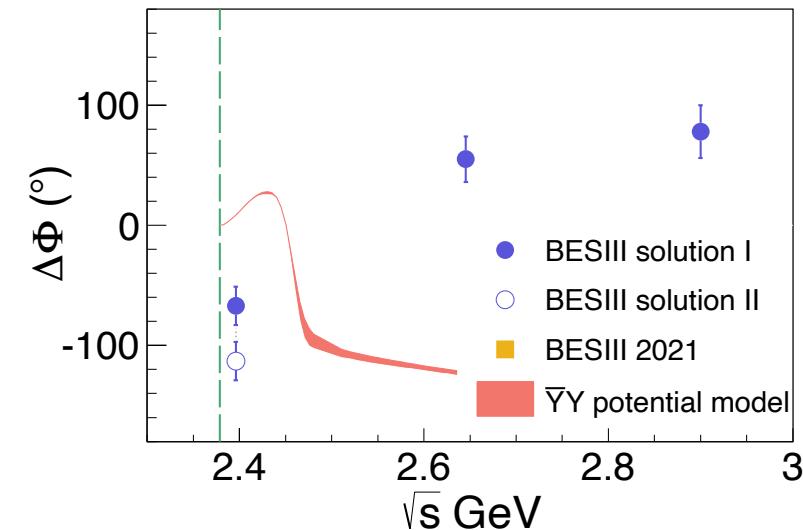
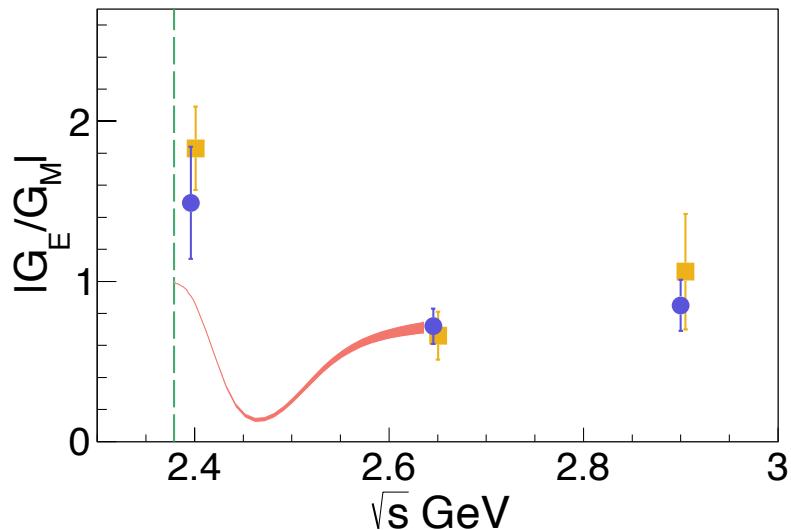
$$P_y = - \frac{\sqrt{1 - \alpha^2} \sin\theta_{\Sigma^+} \cos\theta_{\Sigma^+}}{1 + \alpha \cos^2 \theta_{\Sigma^+}} \sin(\Delta\Phi)$$

$$P_y = \frac{m}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N_k} \frac{(3 + \alpha)(n_{1,y}^i + n_{2,y}^i)}{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)(1 + \alpha \cos^2 \theta_{\Sigma^+}^i)}$$

| \sqrt{s} (GeV) | $ G_E/G_M $ | $\Delta\Phi(^{\circ})$ | $\sin\Delta\Phi$ |
|------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 2.3960 | $1.69 \pm 0.38 \pm 0.20$ | | $-0.67 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.18$ |
| 2.6454 | $0.72 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.06$ | $55 \pm 19 \pm 14$ | |
| 2.9000 | $0.85 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.15$ | $78 \pm 22 \pm 9$ | |

Summary

- ✓ The complete information of Σ^+ EMFFs in time-like is extracted
- ✓ For the first time, the phase $\Delta\Phi$ of the hyperon EMFFs is explored in a wide q^2
- ✓ $|G_E/G_M|$ and $\Delta\Phi$ line-shape is compared with $\bar{Y}Y$ model (J. Haidenbauer, U. G. Meißner, and L. Y. Dai, PRD 103, 014028 (2021)), different tendency in $\Delta\Phi$
- ✓ $\Delta\Phi$ distribution indicates there may be at least one $\Delta\Phi = 0^\circ$ between 2.3960 and 2.6454 GeV
- ✓ The still increasing relative phase indicates the asymptotic threshold has not yet been reached



Thank you!