Recent Progress on Nucleon Form Factors

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Form Factors

What are they?

- Parameterize response to external currents: Form Factors
- Form Factor universal: Enter many processes
- In principle measurable

Potential Impact of Lattice

- Phenomenology :
 - may use Lattice results as input
 - need good accuracy
- Resolve "Puzzles":

 $= \overline{u^{p}}(p') \left| \gamma_{\mu} F_{1}^{CC}(q^{2}) + i \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu}}{2m_{N}} q^{\nu} F_{2}^{CC}(q^{2}) + \frac{q_{\mu}}{m_{N}} F_{s}^{CC}(q^{2}) \right|$

 $\langle p(p') | J^+_\mu | n(p) \rangle$

 $+ \gamma_{\mu}\gamma_{5}F_{A}^{CC}(q^{2}) + \frac{\gamma_{5}q_{\mu}}{m_{N}}F_{P}^{CC}(q^{2})$

 $+ \frac{\gamma_5 (p'+p)_{\mu}}{m_{\mu}} F_T^{CC}(q^2) \left[u^n(p) \right]$

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- Discprepancies between experiments
- even with less accuracy

Example V-A current:

Impact of Form Factors

Proton Radius Puzzle

» Provide ab-initio calculation





- Precision Tests of SM
 - » Via strangeness $FF \rightarrow Parity$ Violation Experiments
 - Lattice determinations of strange FF very precise

Taken from D.D. et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 123 (2019) 21, 212001

- » Via axial FF \rightarrow Vital input to neutrino-nucleus scattering
 - Lattice competitive to z-exp extractions of experiments

A. Meyer, Tue ID: 291

Taken from A. Kronfeld, et al. Eur. Phys. J. A 55, 196 (2019)

» Via Charges \rightarrow Constraining BSM EFT couplings

Taken from T. Bhattacharya et al., Phys. Rev. D85, 054512 (2012)







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0.075

0.050

0.00

0.25

0.50

 Q^2 [GeV²]

0.75

 $G^s_{\rm E}(Q^2)$ 0.025

My apologies for omissions ...



Nucleon Form Factors



Parity Violation

Projected Error Budget for P2:





$$A = \frac{d\sigma_{R} - d\sigma_{L}}{d\sigma_{R} + d\sigma_{L}} = -\frac{G_{F}Q^{2}}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha} \frac{\epsilon \ G_{E}^{\gamma}G_{E}^{Z} + \tau G_{M}^{\gamma}G_{M}^{Z} - (1 - 4\sin^{2}\theta_{W}) \ \epsilon' G_{M}^{\gamma} \ G_{A}}{\epsilon (G_{E}^{\gamma})^{2} + \tau (G_{M}^{\gamma})^{2}}$$
$$\tau = \frac{Q^{2}}{4 \ m_{N}^{2}}, \epsilon = (1 + 2(1 + \tau)\tan^{2}\frac{\theta}{2})^{-1}, \epsilon' = \sqrt{\tau (1 + \tau)(1 - \epsilon^{2})}$$
$$G_{E/M}^{Z,p} = (1 - 4\sin^{2}\theta_{W}) \ G_{E/M}^{\gamma,p} - G_{E/M}^{\gamma,n} - G_{E/M}^{s}$$

- Sensitive to the Weak Charge Test of SM at low energies
- Need e/m FF (strange)
- Need axial FF (strange) (Decomposition assuming Isospin Symmetry)



Calculational Setup Lattice



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Sources of Uncertainty

• Statistical Accuracy

- Excited State Contamination
- Model Dependence
- Extrapolations

• Chiral

• Continuum

• Finite Size

Aside: Can calculate Excited States directly in ChPT even for FF (reliable for large t_{sep})

Taken from O. Bär, H.Colic, *Phys.Rev.D* 103 (2021) 11, 114514

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Excited States



– Note that:
$$t_{sep} \gg t$$
, $(t_{sep} - t)$

- a = ground state ME
- $-b, \tilde{b}$ and c, \tilde{c} -terms ES





Multistate

- Multistate Fits
 - How many states to include? (states become dense)
 - Use results from Spectrum?
 - Gaps universal (?)
 - \Rightarrow Do Simultaneous Fits
 - » Possibly (very) large covariance matrices
 - Make this less demanding by taking 2pt-functions spectrum

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- as is or
- as priors for 3pt-corr.
- » Data might NOT constrain all parameters
 - \Rightarrow Stabilize via priors
- » Assumptions about universality between 2pt- and 3-pt See e.g. R. Gupta, Mon ID: 527 might not be justified



Taken from J. Green arxiv:1812.10574





Multistate



• Axial Form Factors use PCAC as consistency check



$$2\hat{m}G_P(Q^2) = 2MG_A(Q^2) - \frac{Q^2}{2M}\tilde{G}_P(Q^2)$$

Y-C. Jang, R. Gupta, B. Yoon, T. Bhattacharya, Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 072002 (2020)

Y-C. Jang, Tue ID:519

• Gaps might not be universal between 2-pt and 3-pt (Less severe for vector?)



Summation

- Easy to apply but errors usually larger
- Supression of ES paramterically larger

» Use more t_{seps} in Fits (Deviation from linearity)

$$\sum_{t=1}^{t_f-1} C(t,t_f) = a(t_{sep}-1) - \tilde{b}e^{-t_{sep}\Delta E_1} - \tilde{c}e^{-t_{sep}\Delta E_1} + \cdots$$



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Model Dependence

– Derived Quantities depend on model for Q^2 dependence

 $C^{q}\left(1-\frac{1}{6}\langle r_{E}^{2}\rangle Q^{2}+\cdots\right)$

» Dipole is not very flexible!

J. Bernauer et al., Phys. Rev. C 90 (2014) 1, 015206

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» Use z-expansion, e.g.

$$G_{E/M}(Q^2) = \sum_{k=1/0}^{5} a_k^{E/M} z(Q^2)^k,$$
$$z(Q^2) = \frac{\sqrt{t_{\text{cut}} + Q^2} - \sqrt{t_{\text{cut}}}}{\sqrt{t_{\text{cut}} + Q^2} + \sqrt{t_{\text{cut}}}}.$$

R. Hill, G. Paz, Phys. Rev. D 82 (2010), 113005

- » Direct methods avoid this altogether!
 - Most recently K-I. Ishikawa (PACS) arxiv:2107.07085





Model Dependence & CCF - Combine



D.D. et. al, Phys. Rev. D 103, 094522 (2021)

Z-Expansion Fits

- $\,\circ\,$ Do the z-exp for each ensemble
- Perform CCF Fits
- \circ Number of Q^2 points lost at this stage
- \circ Combine z–exp and CCF (larger errors)
 - Y-C. Yang (PNDME) Phys. Rev. D 101, 014507 (2020)

Direct Fits Using Chiral EFT

- Use Chiral EFT T. Bauer, et al, Phys. Rev. C86, 065206 (2012). Less freedom at small Q^2 vs z-exp (smaller errors)
- \circ Can be more agressive with cuts in Q^2
- Results from usual z-expansion consistent





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Lots of Variations

- In the end still have lots of variations $(Q^2, M_{\pi}^2, \mathcal{O}(a^2), \mathcal{O}(e^{-M_{\pi}L}))$
- No clear winner
- Perform averages based on AIC weights

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Results for Isovector Strange FF

- Disconnected Diagrams only
- Very precise estimates
- CCF mild



Taken from PRL 123 (2019) 21, 212001

 Consistent picture from Lattice non-zero radii (Blue Band PDG-style average)



Taken from C. Alexandrou, et al. arxiv:2106.13468



Results Isovector Vector FF

- Excited State Contamination: Summation or Multistate
- Q² -dependence: via z-Expansion/Dipole/EFT/Pade
- CCF extrapolations performed





Recent ensembles @ Physical pion mass



Isoscalar FF e.g. M. Salg, Tue ID: 406



Results Isovector Axial FF

- Excited State Contamination: Summation/Multistate (π N)
- Q² -dependence param. via z-Expansion
- CCF extrapolations are performed
- Lattice: ~10 % statistical error



(Determination with 20 % acc blue shaded area) (Purple Band PDG-Style Average)



New analyses e.g. T. Schulz, Tue ID: 86

Lots of experiments



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