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# Future Perspectives on Baryon Form Factor measurements with BES III

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# Outline

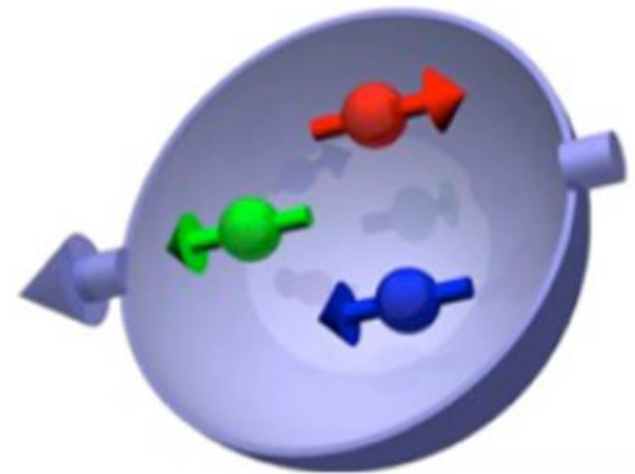
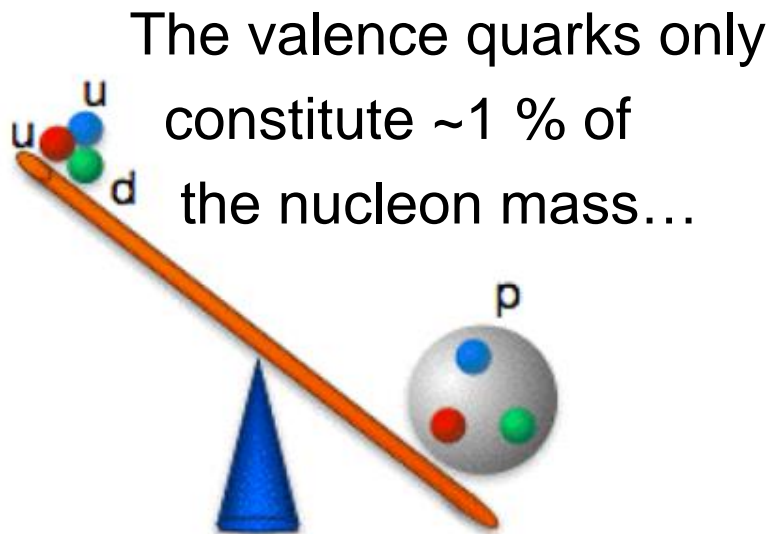
- Introduction: Baryon structure and ElectroMagnetic Form Factors (EMFF's)
- BES III at BEPC-II
- Recent EMFF's measurements from BES III
- Future prospects: New energy scan
- Coming upgrade
- Summary



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# The mysterious nucleon

- Nucleons constitute the major part of the visible mass of the Universe.
- Baryons are the simplest system for which the non-abelian nature of the strong interaction is manifest.
- Yet, we don't yet understand it:



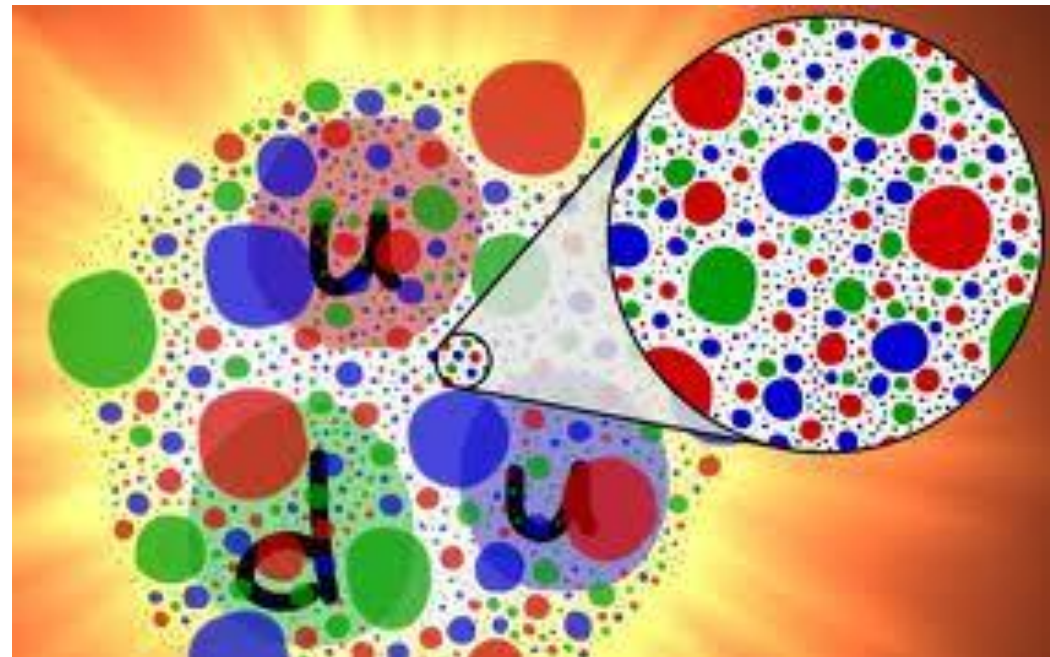
...and about 1/3 of the spin!



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# Nucleon Structure

- Nucleon structure subject of rigorous studies since the 1960:es.
- Powerful observable of nucleon structure: ElectroMagnetic Form Factors (EMFF's).
  - Describes the deviation from the point-like case.
  - Spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  baryons: 2 FF's.
  - Sachs' FF's:  $G_E$  and  $G_M$
  - Related to the charge- and magnetization density.

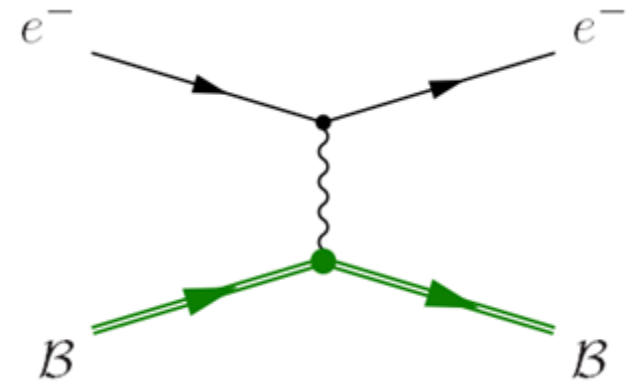




# Time-like vs. space-like FF's

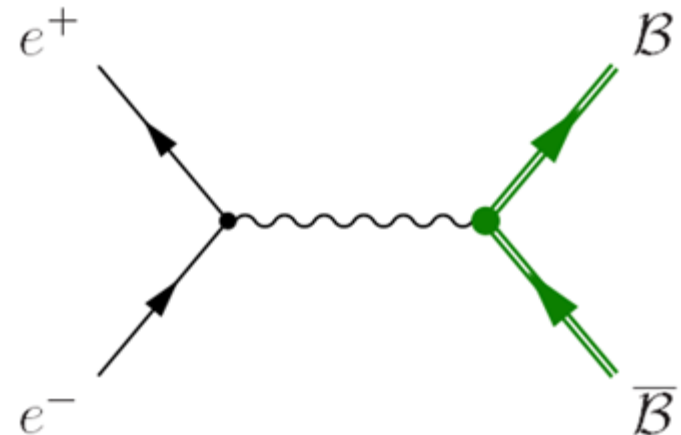
Space-like:

- Studied in  $e^-B \rightarrow e^-B$  scattering.
- $q^2 = (p_{ie} - p_{fe})^2 < 0$ .
- $G_E$  and  $G_M$  real numbers.



Time-like:

- In e.g.  $e^+e^- \rightarrow B\bar{B}$
- $q^2 = (p_{e^+} + p_{e^-})^2 > 0$
- $G_E$  and  $G_M$  complex numbers.





# Time-like form factors

- Time-like FF's are complex:
  - $\text{Im}[G_E(Q^2) G_M^*(Q^2)] = |G_E(Q^2)| |G_M^*(Q^2)| \sin \Delta\Phi$
  - $\text{Re}[G_E(Q^2) G_M^*(Q^2)] = |G_E(Q^2)| |G_M^*(Q^2)| \cos \Delta\Phi$
  - $\Delta\Phi$  = relative phase between  $G_E$  and  $G_M$
- The phase between  $G_E$  and  $G_M$  – polarisation effects on the final state even when the initial state is unpolarised.
- Crucial for testing models, especially in the soft-hard transition region ( $Q^2 = 10\text{-}15 \text{ GeV}^2$ ).
- Space-like and time-like FF's related *via* dispersion relations.

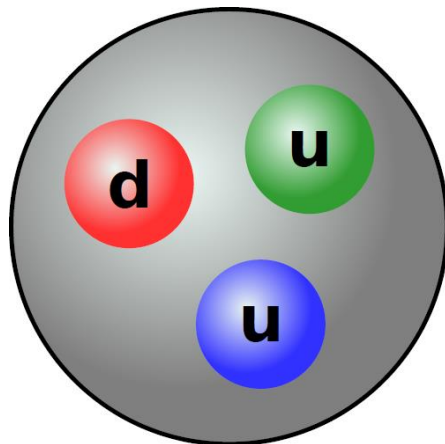




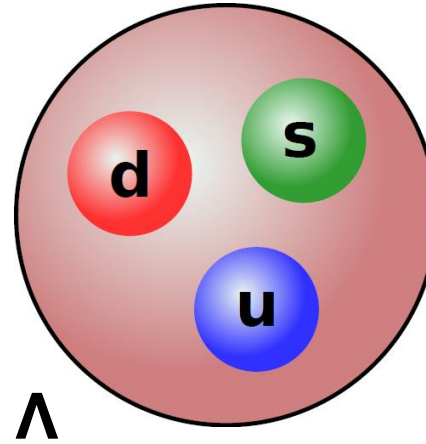
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# Hyperon Structure

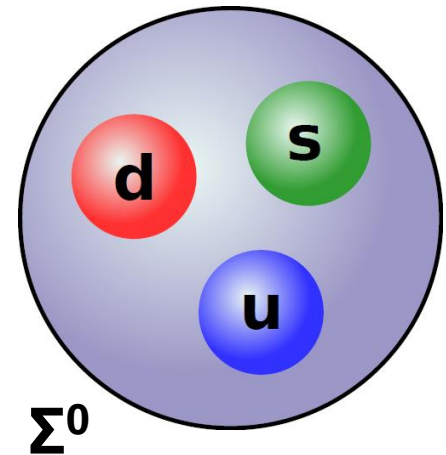
*What happens if  
we replace one of the  
light quarks in the proton  
with one - or many -  
heavier quark(s)?*



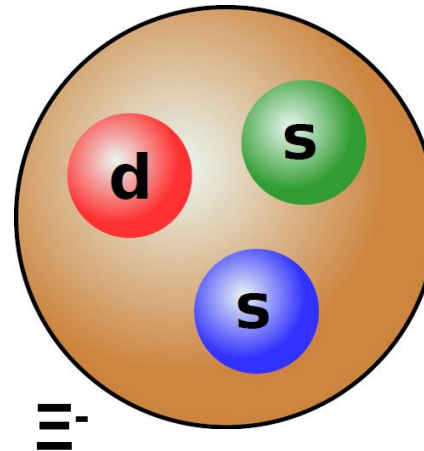
proton



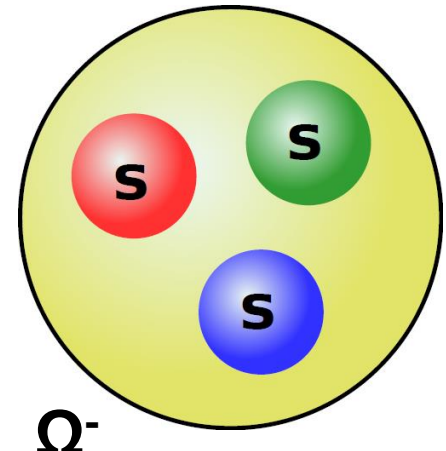
$\Lambda$



$\Sigma^0$



$\Xi^-$



$\Omega^-$



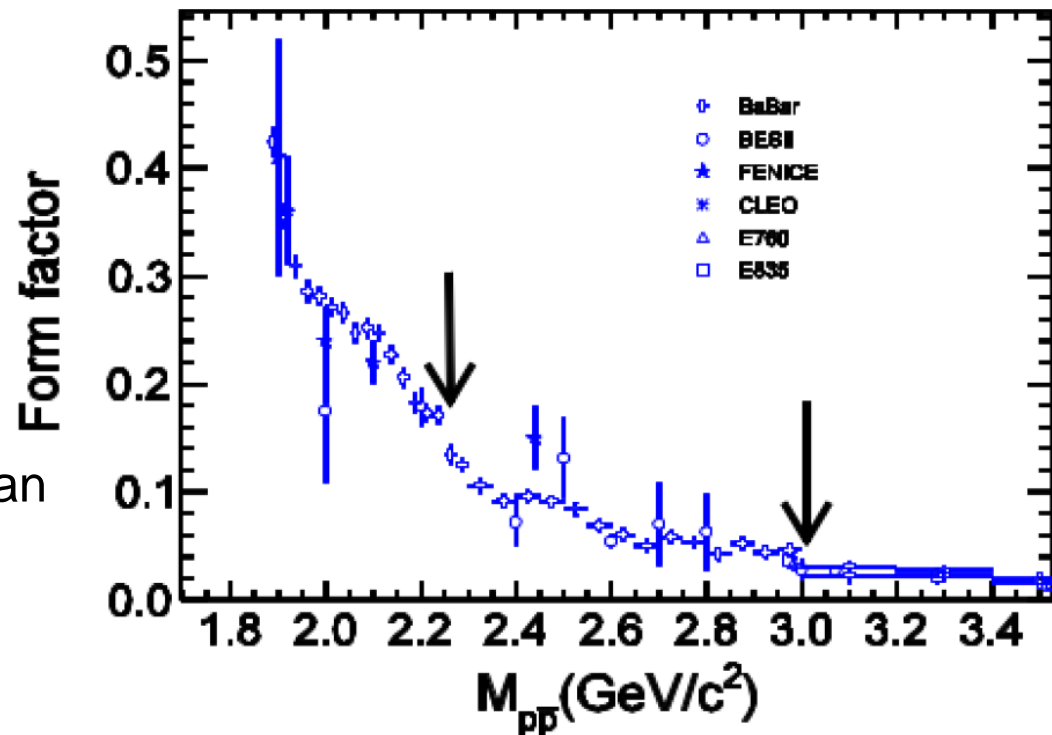
# Nucleon vs Hyperon EMFF's

- **Protons and neutrons:**

- Time-like FF's should coincide with space-like at high  $|Q^2| = |q^2|$ .
- **Data:**
  - Two steep rises
  - TL FFs 2 times larger than SL FFs at high  $q^2$ .

- **Hyperons:**

- Difference between nucleon and hyperon FF – SU(3) symmetry?
- Currently the best way to study hyperon structure.
- Polarization observables experimentally accessible.
- **Data:** very little published so far \*.



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# Advantages of hyperons

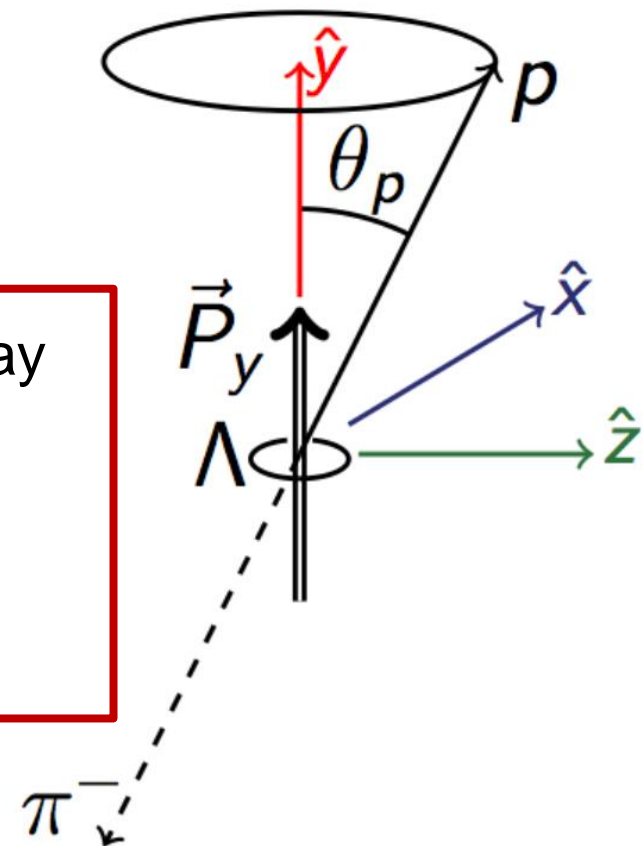
Polarization experimentally accessible  
thanks to the weak, parity  
violating decay:

Example: Angular distribution of  $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$  decay

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

$P_\Lambda$  : polarisation

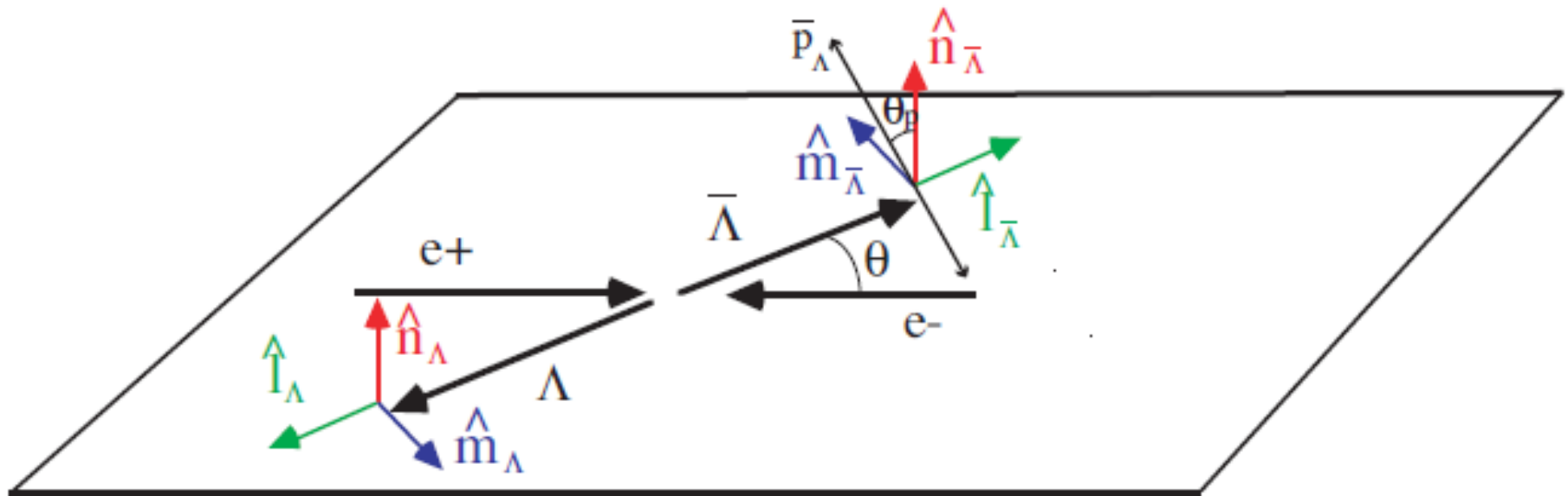
$\alpha = 0.64$  asymmetry parameter





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# Measurement of TL EMFF's



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Energy dependence of the total cross section: Effective form factor

$$\sigma(B\bar{B}) \propto |F(Q^2)|^2 = \frac{2\tau |G_M(Q^2)|^2 + |G_E(Q^2)|^2}{2\tau + 1} \quad \tau = Q^2/4M_B^2$$

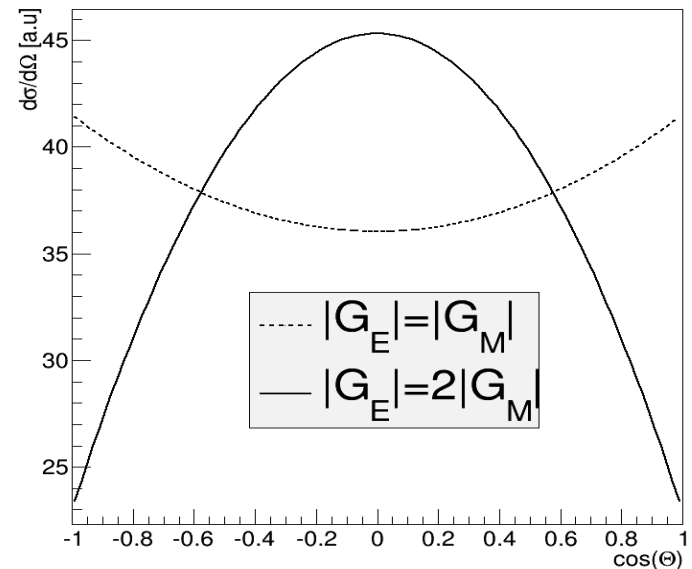
Differential cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta C}{4Q^2} \left[ (|G_M(Q^2)|^2 (1 + \cos^2 \theta) + \frac{1}{\tau} |G_E(Q^2)|^2 \sin^2 \theta) \right]$$

Angular dependence: Ratio  $R = |G_E/G_M|$

$$|G_M|^2 = \frac{2\tau + 1}{2\tau + R^2} |F|^2$$

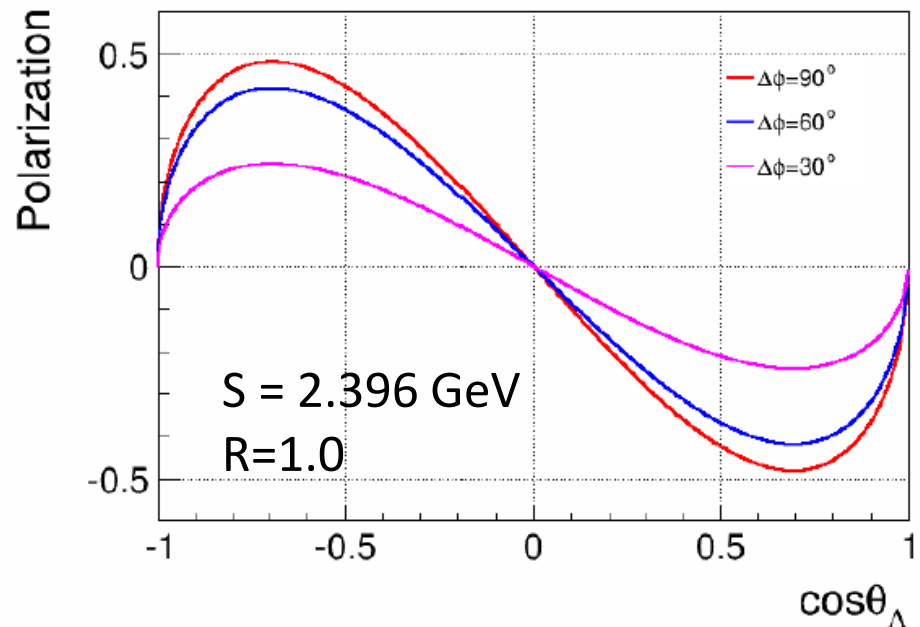
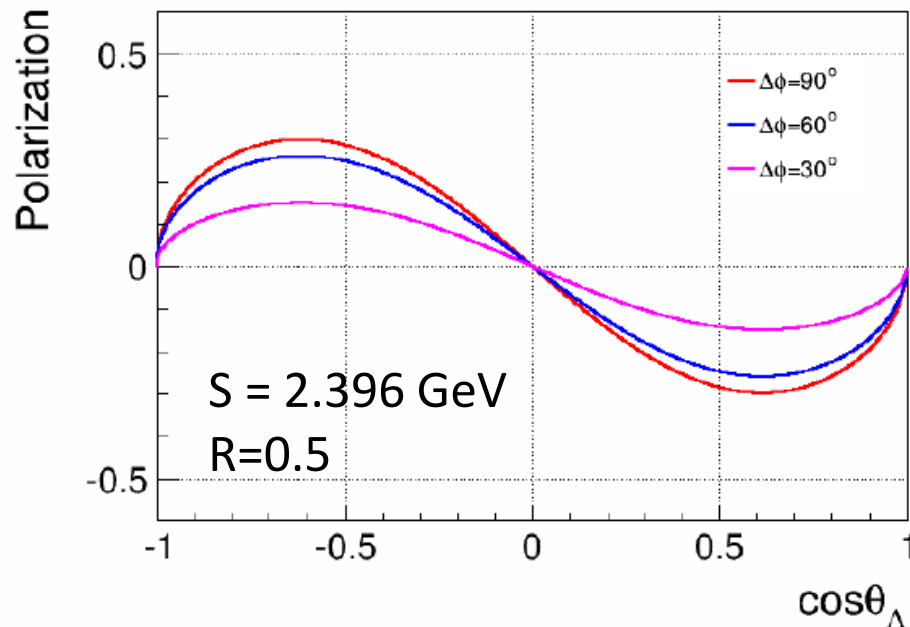
$$|G_E|^2 = R^2 \frac{2\tau + 1}{2\tau + R^2} |F|^2$$





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# Measurement of TL EMFFs



Time-like form factors: imaginary part polarizes the final state baryons:

$$P_n = - \frac{\sin 2\theta \text{Im}[G_E(Q^2)G_M^*(Q^2)]/\sqrt{\tau}}{(|G_E(Q^2)|^2 \sin^2 \theta)/\tau + |G_M(Q^2)|^2(1 + \cos^2 \theta)}$$

Real part related to the correlation between the baryon- and antibaryon spin:

$$C_{lm} = \frac{\sin 2\theta \text{Re}[G_E(Q^2)G_M^*(Q^2)]/\sqrt{\tau}}{(|G_E(q^2)|^2 \sin^2 \theta)/\tau + |G_M(Q^2)|^2(1 + \cos^2 \theta)}$$





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# BES III @ BEPC II



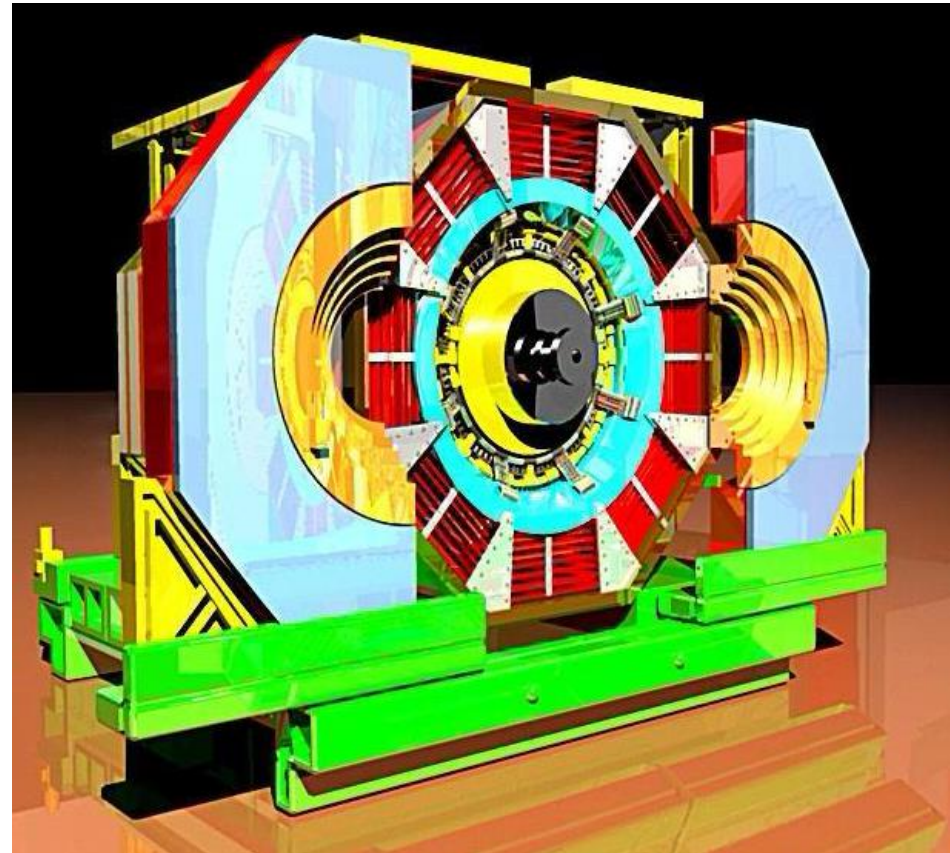
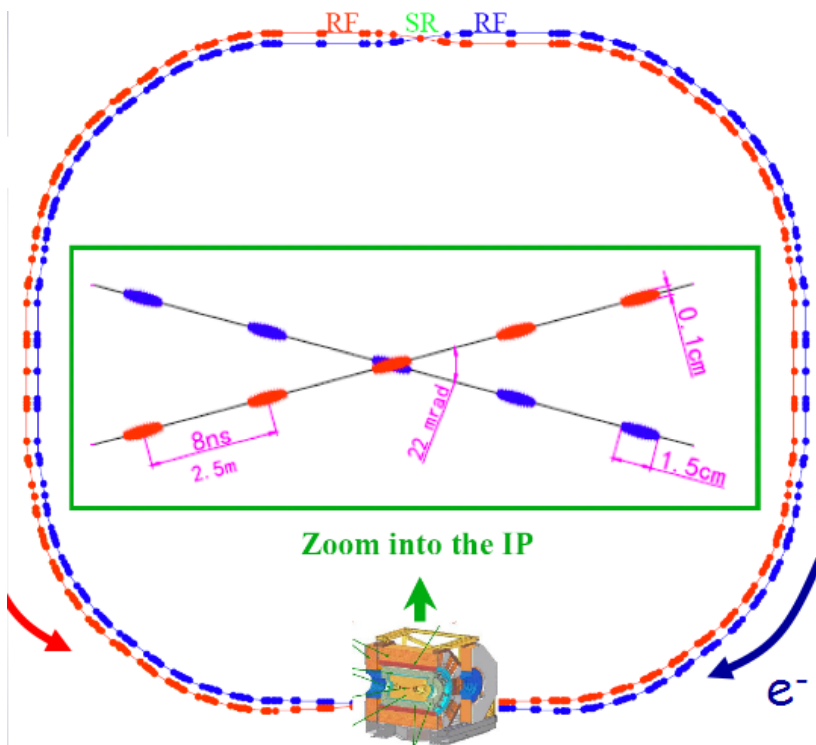
BES III in Beijing, China, unique for baryon TL EMFF's!



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# BES III @ BEPC-II

- BEPC = Beijing Electron Positron Collider.
- Operates in the  $\tau$ -charm mass region

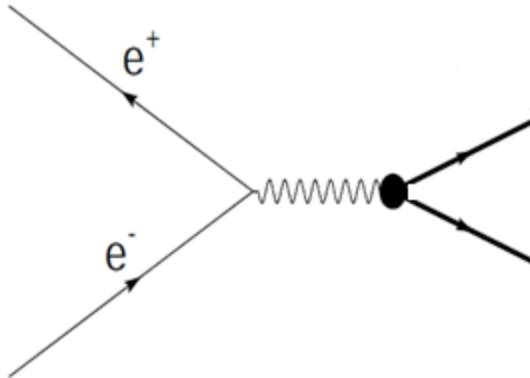


- BES III = Beijing Spectrometer
  - Wide physics scope
  - See talk by e.g. A. Denig, B. Liu

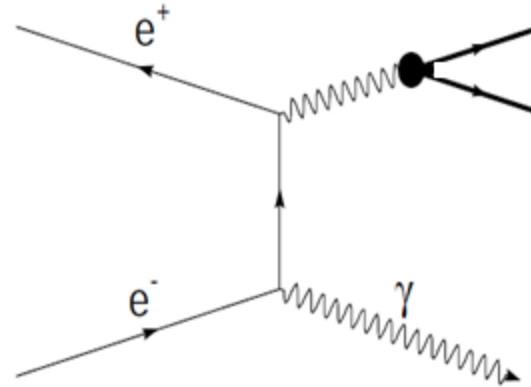




# What can we do with BES III?



Direct production



Initial state radiation (ISR)

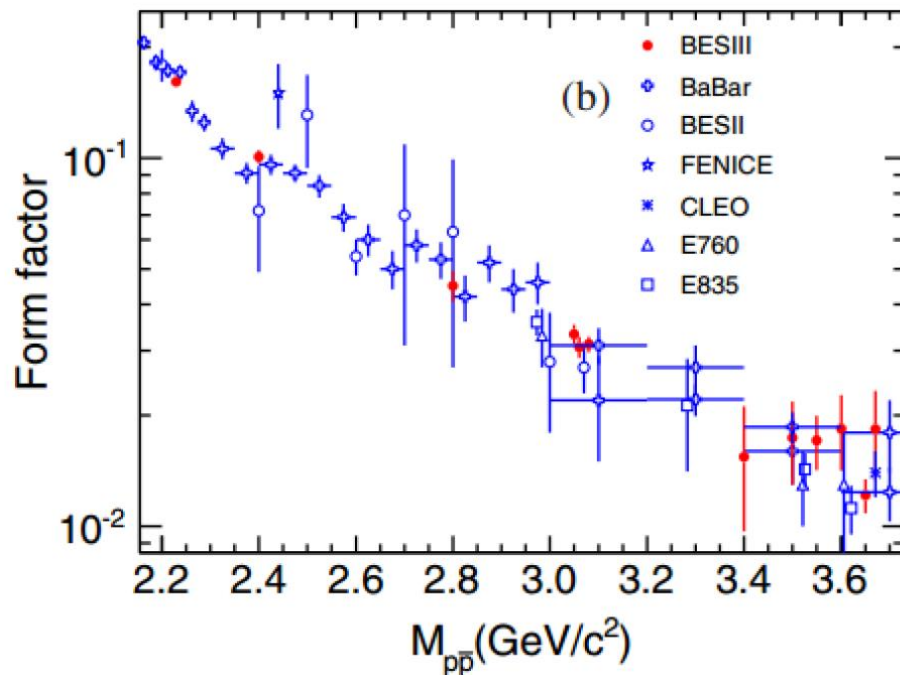
- Measure  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N\bar{N}, \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}, \Sigma^0\bar{\Lambda}, \Sigma\bar{\Sigma}, \Xi\bar{\Xi}, \Omega\bar{\Omega}$ , and  $\Lambda_c\bar{\Lambda}_c$  in direct  $e^+e^-$  annihilation in the continuum between  $Q \sim 2$  and  $Q \sim 5$  GeV.
- Measure  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N\bar{N}, \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}\gamma_{ISR}, \Sigma^0\bar{\Lambda}\gamma_{ISR}, \Sigma\bar{\Sigma}\gamma_{ISR}$  in Initial State Radiation with the  $2.9\text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $Q = 3.773$  GeV.



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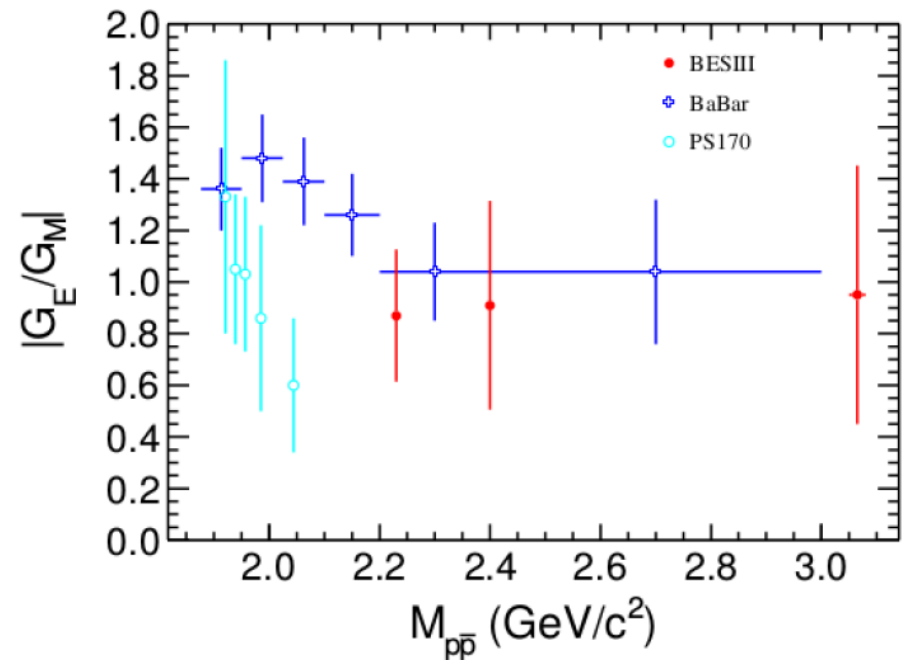
# Recent results from BES III

Proton EMFF's in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$



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- Small data scan in 2012 for EMFF measurement in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow B\bar{B}$ .
- Effective FF and ratio  $R = G_E/G_M$ .
- Agreement with previous experiment.

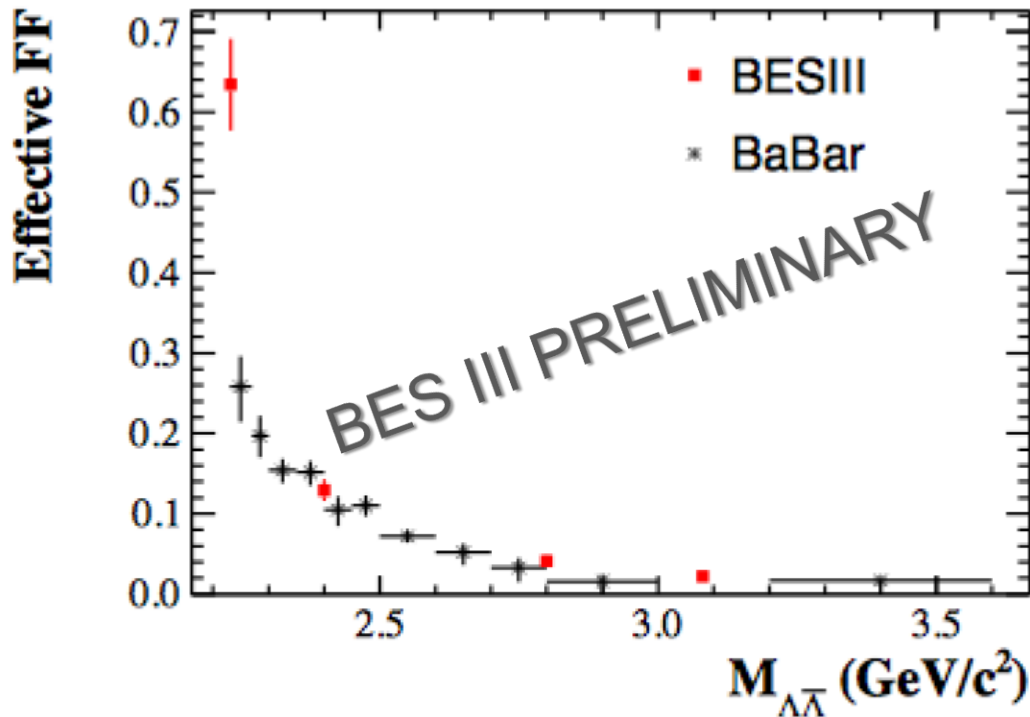




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# Recent results from BES III

Hyperon EMFF's in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$



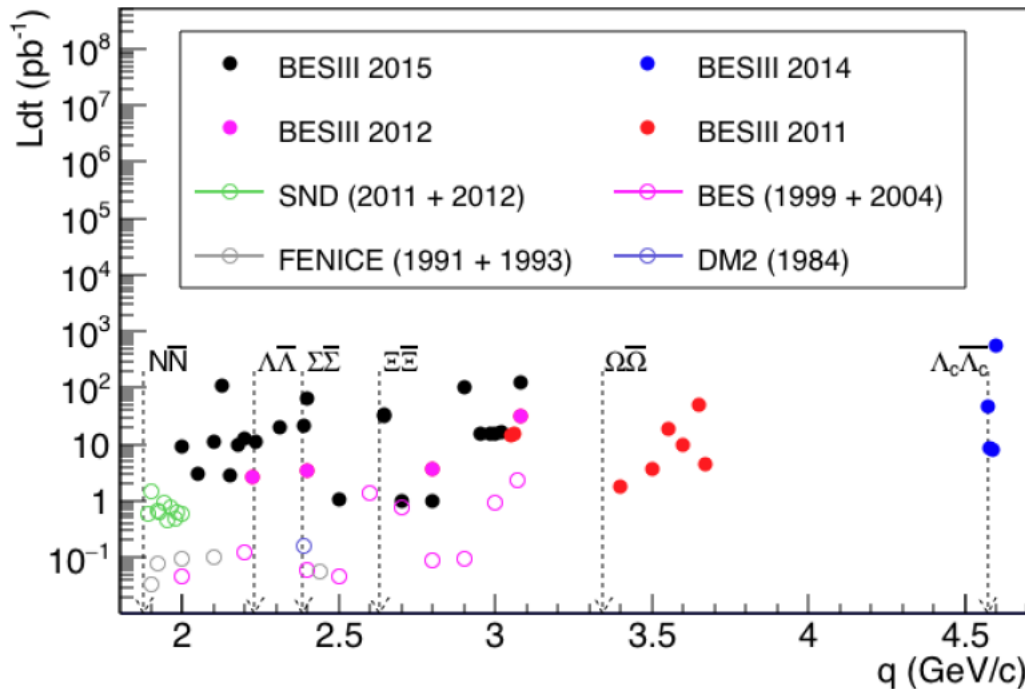
- Same scan data as in the proton EMFF case.
- **Preliminary:** Effective FF at 4 energies.
- More precise than ISR BaBar data.
- **Preliminary:** Interesting threshold behaviour.
- Publication under preparation.



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# New energy scan 2014-2015

- World's largest data sample between 2.0 and 3.08 GeV.
- Nucleon and strange hyperons EMFF's available.
- Unique data sample at  $\Lambda_c^+$  threshold.



## BESIII high luminosity scan 2015

$E_{\text{cm}}(\text{GeV})$	$L(\text{pb}^{-1})$	$E_{\text{cm}}(\text{GeV})$	$L(\text{pb}^{-1})$
2.0000	10.074	2.0500	3.343
2.1000	12.167	2.1250	108.49
2.1500	2.841	2.1750	10.625
2.2000	13.699	2.2324	11.856
2.3094	21.089	2.3864	22.549
2.3960	66.869	2.5000	1.098
2.6444	33.722	2.6464	34.003
2.7000	1.034	2.8000	1.008
2.9000	105.253	2.9500	15.942
2.9810	16.071	3.0000	15.881
3.0200	17.290	3.0800	126.185



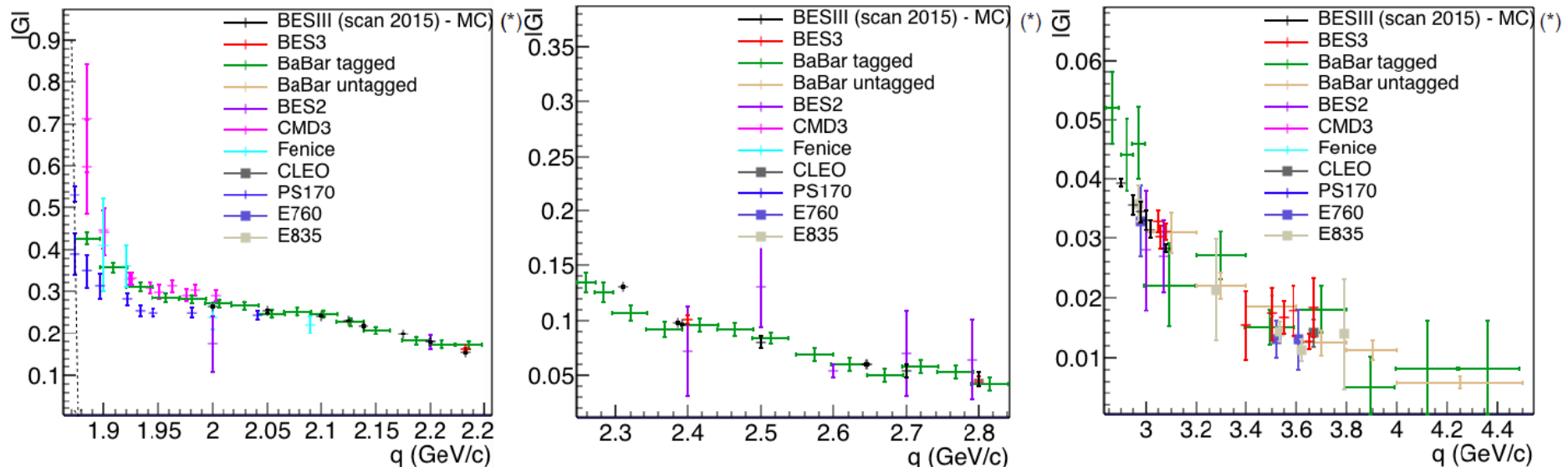
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# New energy scan 2014-2015

## Proton EMFF's:

Expected precision of proton effective form factor between 0.3% (at 2.125 GeV) and 13 % (at 2.8 GeV): world-leading!

$$|G(q^2)| = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^{\text{Born}}(q^2)}{(1 + \frac{2M^2}{q^2})(\frac{4\pi\alpha^2\beta C}{3q^2})}}$$





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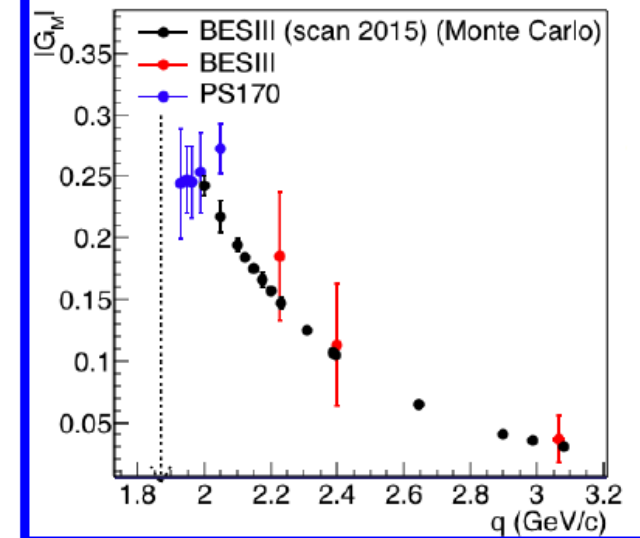
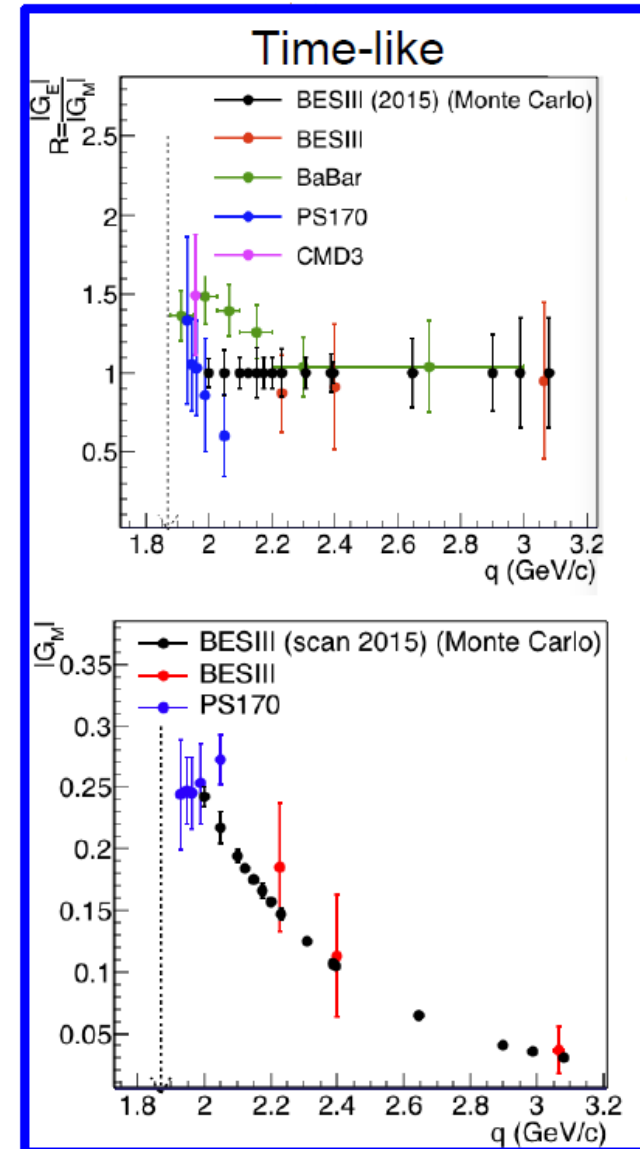
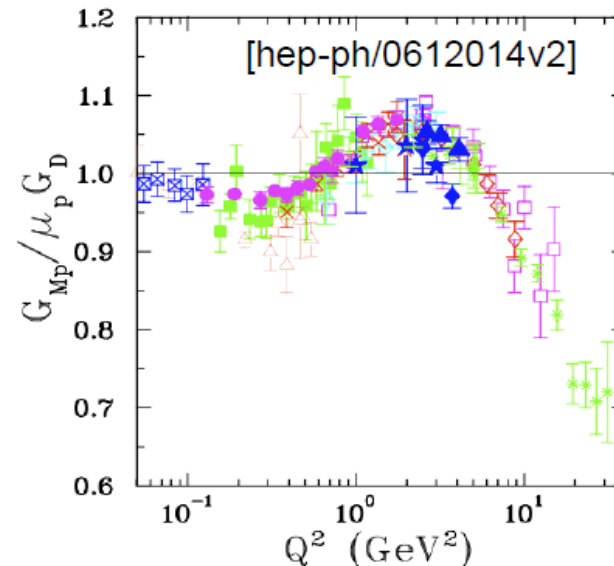
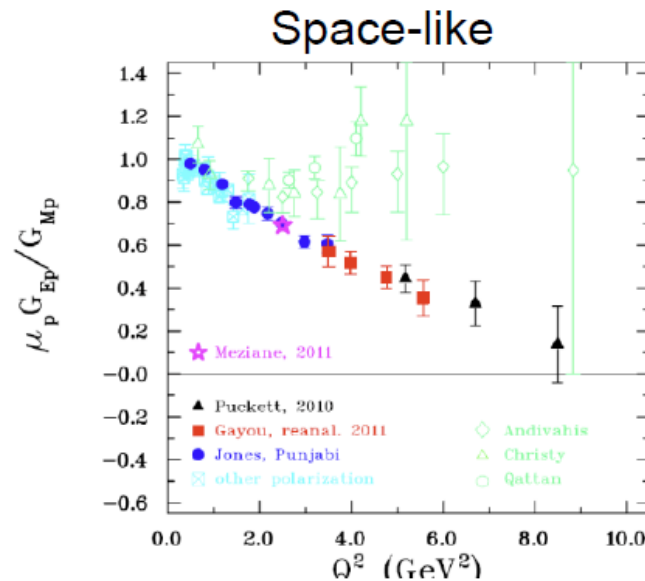
# New energy scan 2014-2015

At 16 energies,  
data samples  
large enough for  
angular  
distributions

→  $R = |G_E/G_M|$   
accessible!

Determination of  
 $|G_E|$  and  $|G_M|$   
with similar  
precision as in  
space-like  
region!

Analysis in  
progress!





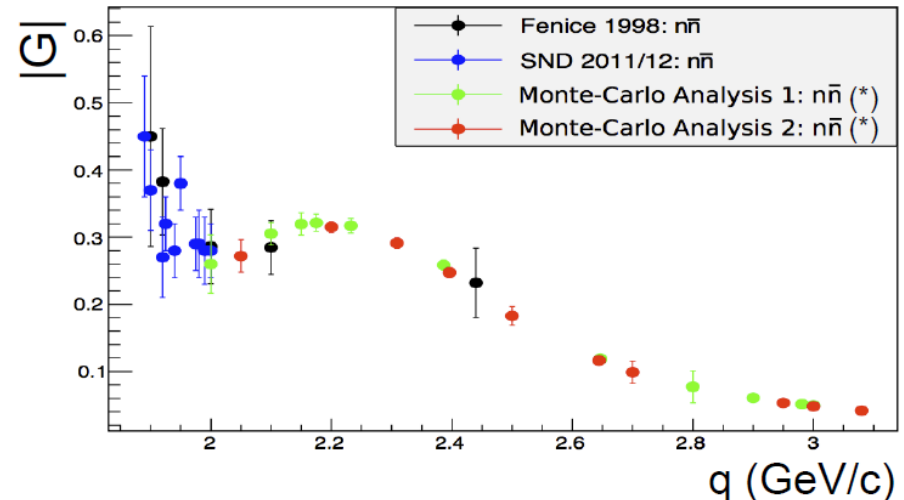
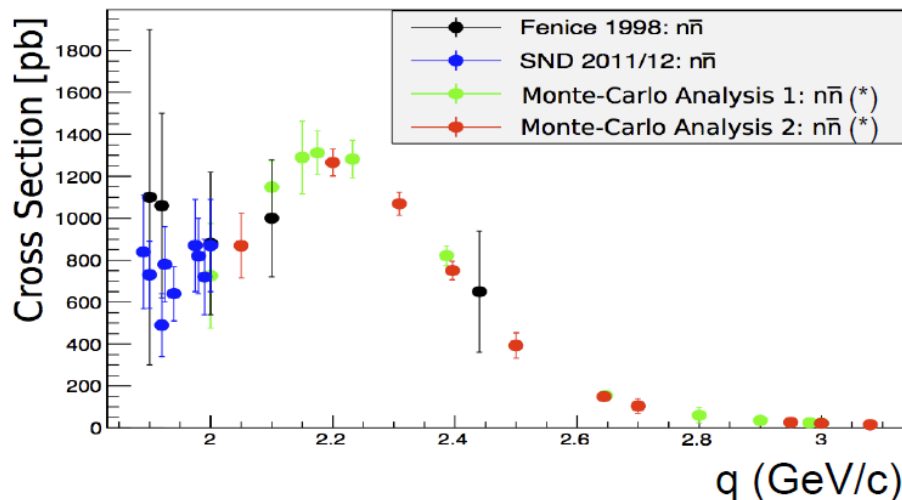


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# New energy scan 2014-2015

## Neutron EMFF's:

- Unprecedented data samples above 2.0 GeV.
- Expected precision from 6% (at 2.396 GeV) to 13% (at 3.0 GeV).
- First measurement of neutron  $R=|G_E/G_M|$  possible!
- Analysis in progress!



(\*) Phokhara v9.1 [arXiv:1407.7995v2]

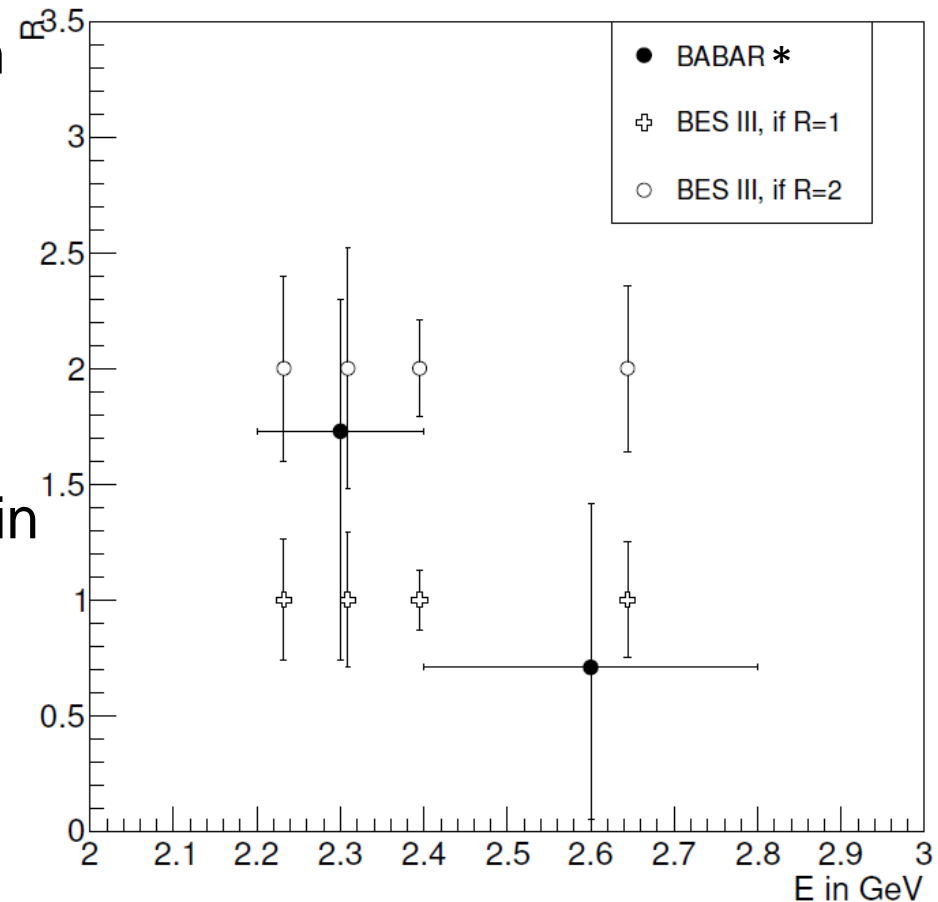


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# New energy scan 2014-2015

## $\Lambda$ Hyperon EMFF's:

- Unprecedented data samples in 6 points from between 2.23 and 2.9 GeV.
- In 4 points, large enough samples to extract  $R=|G_E/G_M|$ .
- At 2.396 GeV: polarisation & spin correlations enable a first determination of the phase  $\Delta\Phi$  between  $G_E$  and  $G_M$ !
- Analysis in progress!



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# High energy scan 2014

4 data points between 4.5745 GeV ( $\Lambda_c^+$  threshold) and 4.6 GeV.

Enable measurement of

- Effective FF of  $\Lambda_c^+$  in 4 points.
- The ratio  $R=|G_E/G_M|$  in 2 points (first time!).
- The phase  $\Delta\Phi$  accessible in one point (first time!).

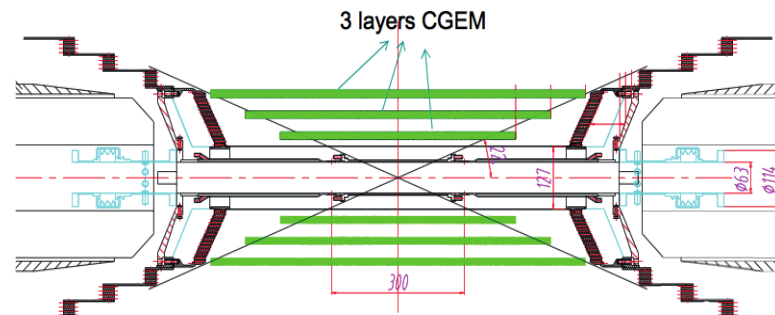
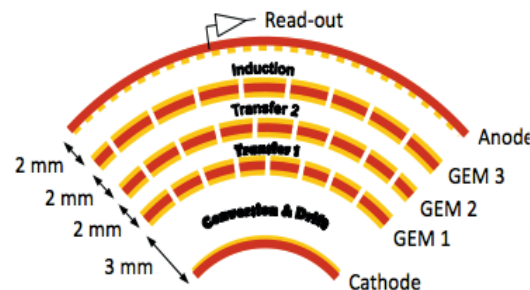
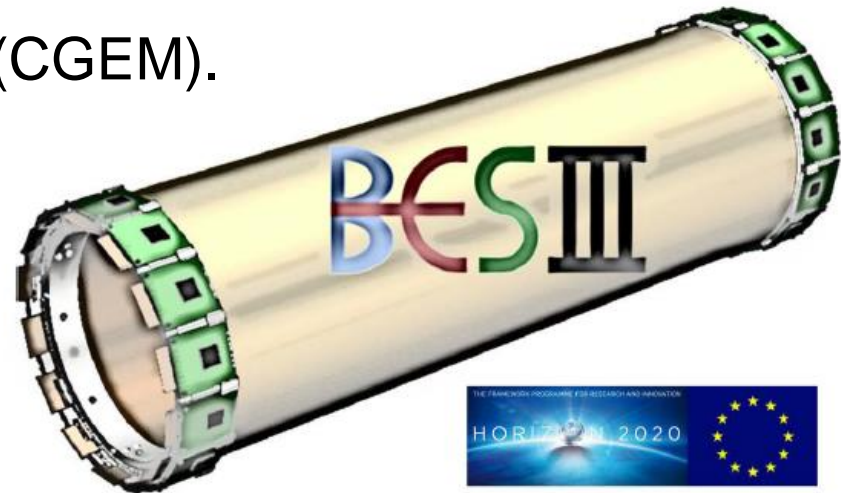
$\sqrt{s}$ (GeV)	$L_{int} (pb^{-1})$
4.5745	47.67
4.580	8.545
4.590	8.162
4.5995	566.9



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# Foreseen upgrade of BES III

- For improved tracking and vertex reconstruction  
A Cylindrical Gas Electron Multiplier (CGEM).
- Similar type as recently installed  
at KLOE-II @ DAΦNE.
- Analog readout.
- Data concentrators under  
development in Uppsala.
- Collaboration between Beijing, Frascati, Ferrara, Mainz, Torino  
and Uppsala.





# Summary

- Electromagnetic form factors are crucial in order to understand the structure of hadrons.
- BES III is unique in its capability to measure baryon form factors, from nucleons to  $\Lambda_c^+$ .
- A recent large-scale energy scan will provide world-leading data samples for baryon EMFF measurements.
- New unique measurements of the ratio  $R=|G_E/G_M|$  can be performed for nucleons and hyperons.
- First measurements of the phase  $\Delta\Phi$  between  $G_E$  and  $G_M$  accessible for  $\Lambda$  and  $\Lambda_c^+$ .
- Planned upgrade to improve precision in tracking and vertexing.



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# Thanks for your attention!