

# $\rho$ -MESON FORM FACTORS IN THE POINT FORM

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## MOTIVATION

- structure of hadrons: **electromagnetic form factors** as the observables of elastic electron-hadron scattering
- simplest hadrons:  $\pi^\pm$  and  $\rho^\pm$  described as light  $q\bar{q}$  systems
- experimental data on  $\rho^\pm$  **form factors**:  
only little in the timelike region and **no data** in the spacelike region  
difficulty: very short life time of the  $\rho$  meson  $\sim 10^{-24} s$
- knowledge of electroweak properties of the simplest hadrons important for understanding of strongly-interacting systems

## THEORETICAL APPROACHES

direct QCD calculations only on lattice

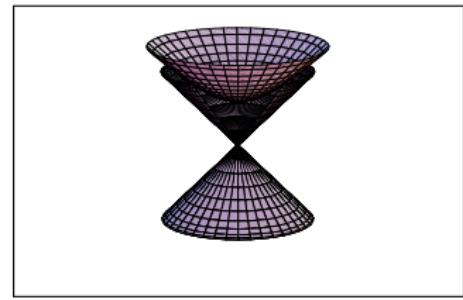
various model approaches based on QFT or relativistic quantum mechanics:

- Dyson-Schwinger/Bethe-Salpeter
- quasi-potential approaches, e.g., **covariant spectator theory**
- QCD sum rules
- Nambu-Jona-Lasinio model
- hybrid model
- dynamical coupled-channel resonance models
- chiral effective field theory
- holographic approach
- light-front formalism
- constituent quark models based on instant, front, or **point form of relativistic Hamiltonian dynamics**

# FORMS OF RELATIVISTIC DYNAMICS

[Dirac; Rev.Mod.Phys. 21, 1949]

- Relativistic quantum theory for multiparticle systems:
    - Hilbert space
    - Poincaré invariance $\Leftrightarrow$  find representation of Poincaré generators as self-adjoint operators on Hilbert space such that the Poincaré algebra is satisfied
  - free  $\rightarrow$  interacting theory: include interactions in generators
  - different **forms of relativistic dynamics**:  
e.g.  $[K^j, P^k] = -i\delta^{jk}P^0$ : if interactions in  $P^0$  (Hamiltonian)  
 $\Rightarrow$  interactions in either  $P^k$  (3-momentum operators) or/and  $K^j$  (boost generators)
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- **point form**  
 $\{P^0, P^k\} \equiv P^\mu$  interaction dependent  
 $\{K^i, J^k\} \equiv M^{\mu\nu}$  free  
 $\Rightarrow$  manifestly Lorentz covariant



# BAKAMJIAN-THOMAS CONSTRUCTION

- Poincaré algebra imposes constraints on interaction terms
- systems with finite number of d.o.f: use **Bakamjian-Thomas construction (BT)**
- BT for point form:  $P^\mu = P_{\text{free}}^\mu + P_{\text{int}}^\mu = (M_{\text{free}} + M_{\text{int}})V_{\text{free}}^\mu = MV_{\text{free}}^\mu$   
[Bakamjian, Thomas; PR 92, 1953]  
eigenvalue problem for BT-type **mass operator**  $M$

**velocity-state basis:** c.o.m. momenta  $\mathbf{k}_i$  and overall velocity  $v^\mu$ :

$$|v; \mathbf{k}_1, \mu_1; \dots; \mathbf{k}_n, \mu_n\rangle := B_c(v)|\mathbf{k}_1, \mu_1; \dots; \mathbf{k}_n, \mu_n\rangle$$

[Klink; PRC 58, 1998]

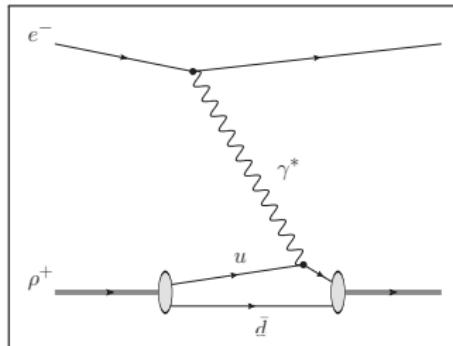
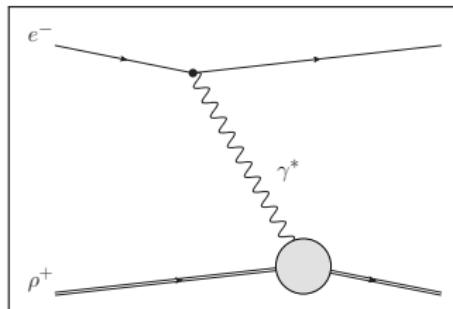
## REMARK:

- advantage: allows **instantaneous** interactions
- drawback: BT for more than 2 particles  
⇒ difficulties with **macroscopic locality** (cluster separability)

[Sokolov; Theor.Math.Phys.36, 1979. Coester, Polyzou; PRD 26, 1982]

# ELASTIC $e^- \rho^+$ SCATTERING

- calculate electromagnetic form factors from elastic  $e^- \rho^+$ -scattering in 1- $\gamma$ -exchange approximation
- constituent quark model:  
 $\rho^+$  meson as bound state of a  $u$  and a  $\bar{d}$  quarks
- extract the **microscopic  $\rho$ -meson current  $J^\mu$**  from 1- $\gamma$ -exchange optical potential



# $1-\gamma$ -EXCHANGE OPTICAL POTENTIAL

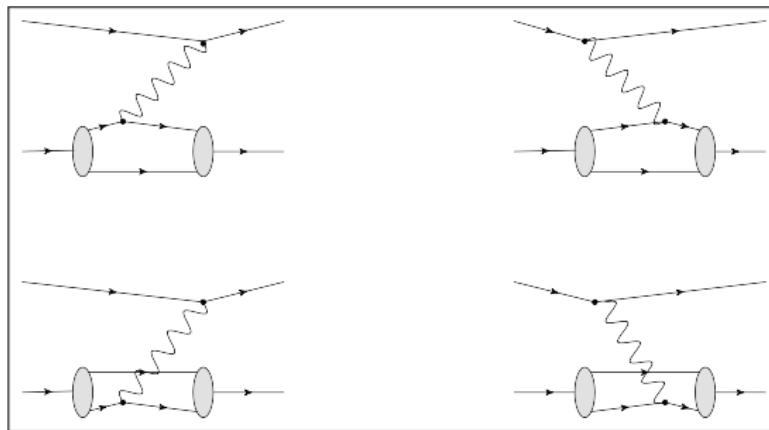
- treat  $e^- \rho^+$  scattering as coupled-channel problem ( $eq\bar{q}$  and  $eq\bar{q}\gamma$ ) for BT-type mass operator:

$$\begin{pmatrix} M_{eq\bar{q}} + M_{\text{conf}} & K^\dagger \\ K & M_{eq\bar{q}\gamma} + M_{\text{conf}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\Psi_{e\rho}\rangle \\ |\Psi_{e\rho\gamma}\rangle \end{pmatrix} = m \begin{pmatrix} |\Psi_{e\rho}\rangle \\ |\Psi_{e\rho\gamma}\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

confining interaction  $M_{\text{conf}}$  between the quarks

- Feshbach reduction to  $eq\bar{q}$ -channel

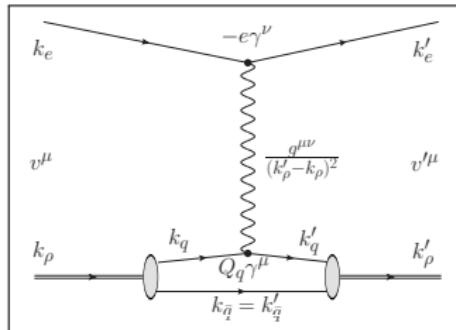
$$\Rightarrow \text{optical potential } V_{\text{opt}}(m) = K^\dagger(m - M_{eq\bar{q}\gamma} - M_{\text{conf}})^{-1}K$$



# $\rho$ -MESON CURRENT

[EB, Fuchsberger, Klink, Schweiger; PRC 79, 2009; EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]

- on-shell matrix element of optical potential in velocity-state basis
- assumption: **total velocity conservation** at the interaction vertex:



$$\begin{aligned} & \langle v'; k'_e, \mu'_e; k'_q, \mu'_q; \mu'_{\bar{q}}; k'_\gamma, \mu'_\gamma | K | v; k_e, \mu_e; k_q, \mu_q; \mu_{\bar{q}} \rangle \\ & \propto v^0 \delta^3(v - v') \langle k'_e, \mu'_e; k'_q, \mu'_q; \mu'_{\bar{q}}; k'_\gamma, \mu'_\gamma | [\mathcal{L}^{q\gamma}(0) + \mathcal{L}^{e\gamma}(0)] | k_e, \mu_e; k_q, \mu_q; \mu_{\bar{q}} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

[Klink; NPA 716, 2003]

- current-current interaction:  $\langle v'; k'_e, \mu'_e; n, \mu'_j, j | V_{\text{opt}}(m) | v; k_e, \mu_e; n, \mu_j, j \rangle$   
 $\propto v^0 \delta^3(v - v') J^\mu(k'_\rho, \mu'_j; k_\rho, \mu_j; k_e + k'_e) \frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{(k'_\rho - k_\rho)^2} | e | \bar{u}_{\mu'_e}(k'_e) \gamma^\nu u_{\mu_e}(k_e)$
- **$\rho$ -meson electromagnetic current  $J^\mu$ :** overlap integral of wave functions with quark currents, Wigner rotation and kinematical factors

$$\begin{aligned} & J^\mu(k'_\rho, \mu'_j; k_\rho, \mu_j; k_e + k'_e) \\ & \propto \sum \int d^3 \tilde{k}'_q \cdots \sqrt{\frac{m_{q\bar{q}}}{m'_{q\bar{q}}}} \Psi_{nj\mu'_j}^*(\tilde{k}'_q) S_{\mu_q\mu'_q}^{\frac{1}{2}} \bar{u}_{\mu'_q}(k'_q) \gamma^\mu u_{\mu_q}(k_q) \Psi_{nj\mu_j}(\tilde{k}_q) \end{aligned}$$

# CURRENT PROPERTIES

[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]

- hermiticity:  $J^\mu(k'_\rho, \mu'_j; k_\rho, \mu_j; K_e) = J^{*\mu}(k_\rho, \mu_j; k'_\rho, \mu'_j; k_e + k'_e)$
- covariance:  $J^\mu(k'_\rho, \mu'_j; k_\rho, \mu_j; k_e + k'_e)$  (with  $e$ - $\rho$  center-of-mass momenta) **does not** transform like a 4-vector under Lorentz transformations!  
→ **physical** momenta  $p_i^{(\prime)} = B_c(v)k_i^{(\prime)}$  and spins  $\sigma_j^{(\prime)}$ :

$$I^\mu(p'_\rho, \sigma'_j; p_\rho, \sigma_j; p_e + p'_e) := B_c(v)^\mu_\nu J^\nu(k'_\rho, \mu'_j; k_\rho, \mu_j; k_e + k'_e) \\ \times D_{\mu_j \sigma_j}^1(R_W^{-1}(B_c(v), k_\rho)) D_{\mu'_j \sigma'_j}^{1*}(R_W^{-1}(B_c(v), k'_\rho))$$

**transforms** like a 4-vector

- current conservation conservation **cannot** be shown:

$$(k'_\rho - k_\rho)_\mu J^\mu(k'_\rho, \mu'_j; k_\rho, \mu_j; k_e + k'_e) \neq 0$$

# CLUSTER PROPERTIES

[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]

- BT framework  $\Rightarrow$  bound-state current  $J^\mu$  does **not** satisfy cluster separability  $\Rightarrow$  depends also on electron momenta  $k_e, k'_e$ 
  - ① current  $J^\mu$  parametrized by 3 physical form factors  $f_1, f_2, g_M$  and additional **spurious** form factors  $\{b_j\}$
  - ② all form factors depend on the 2 Mandelstam variables of the process:  
 $t \equiv q^2 = (k'_\rho - k_\rho)^2 = -Q^2$  and  $s = (p_\rho + p_e)^2 \equiv (\sqrt{m_\rho^2 + \mathbf{k}^2} + \sqrt{m_e^2 + \mathbf{k}^2})^2$   
does not spoil Poincaré invariance!
- identify **spurious (unphysical)** contribution as a structure proportional to  
 $K_e \equiv k_e + k'_e$

# COVARIANT STRUCTURE

[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]

$J^\mu(k'_\rho, \mu'_j; k_\rho, \mu_j; K_e)$  has 11 independent matrix elements  
⇒ usual 3 physical + 8 spurious form factors:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{|e|} J^\mu(k'_\rho, \mu'_j; k_\rho, \mu_j; K_e) &= \left[ f_1 \epsilon'^* \cdot \epsilon + f_2 \frac{(\epsilon'^* \cdot q)(\epsilon \cdot q)}{2m_\rho^2} \right] K_\rho^\mu + g_M [\epsilon'^*\mu (\epsilon \cdot q) - \epsilon^\mu (\epsilon'^* \cdot q)] \\ &+ \frac{m_\rho^2}{2K_e \cdot k_\rho} [b_1 (\epsilon'^* \cdot \epsilon) + b_2 \frac{(q \cdot \epsilon'^*)(q \cdot \epsilon)}{m_\rho^2} + b_3 m_\rho^2 \frac{(K_e \cdot \epsilon'^*)(K_e \cdot \epsilon)}{(K_e \cdot k_\rho)^2} + b_4 \frac{[(q \cdot \epsilon'^*)(K_e \cdot \epsilon) - (q \cdot \epsilon)(K_e \cdot \epsilon')]}{2(K_e \cdot k_\rho)}] K_e^\mu \\ &+ [b_5 m_\rho^2 \frac{(K_e \cdot \epsilon'^*)(K_e \cdot \epsilon)}{(K_e \cdot k_\rho)^2} + b_6 \frac{[(q \cdot \epsilon'^*)(K_e \cdot \epsilon) - (q \cdot \epsilon)(K_e \cdot \epsilon')]}{2K_e \cdot k_\rho}] K_\rho^\mu \\ &+ b_7 m_\rho^2 \frac{[\epsilon'^*\mu (\epsilon \cdot K_e) + \epsilon^\mu (\epsilon'^* \cdot K_e)]}{K_e \cdot k_\rho} + b_8 q^\mu \frac{[(q \cdot \epsilon'^*)(K_e \cdot \epsilon) + (q \cdot \epsilon)(K_e \cdot \epsilon')]}{2K_e \cdot k_\rho} \\ K_\rho &= k_\rho + k'_\rho, \epsilon^{(i)} \equiv \epsilon_{\mu_j^{(i)}}(k_\rho^{(i)}) \end{aligned}$$

## REMARKS:

- ① only this decomposition gives **correct normalization** of charge form factor!
- ②  $b_7$  and  $b_8$  contributions **violate** current conservation
- ③  $K_e$ -dependence resembles  $\omega$ -dependence in **covariant light-front dynamics**

[Karmanov, Smirnov; NPA 575, 1994. Carbonell, Desplanques, Karmanov, Mathiot; Phys.Rept.300, 1998]

# DEPENDENCE ON MANDELSTAM $s$

[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]

- spurious  $s$ -dependence in  $f_i(Q^2, s)$ ,  $g_M(Q^2, s)$ , and  $b_i(Q^2, s)$  vanishes quickly with increasing  $s$   
⇒ take limit  $s \rightarrow \infty$ :  $F_i(Q^2) \equiv \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} f_i(Q^2, s)$  and  $B_i(Q^2) \equiv \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} b_i(Q^2, s)$
- corresponds to  $|k_\rho| \rightarrow \infty$ ; means that subprocess  $\gamma^* \rho^\pm \rightarrow \rho^\pm$  is considered in **infinite momentum frame**
- removes 4 spurious form factors:  $B_1(Q^2) = B_2(Q^2) = B_3(Q^2) = B_4(Q^2) = 0$
- does **not** remove  $B_5(Q^2), B_6(Q^2), B_7(Q^2)$  and  $B_8(Q^2)$ 
  - ①  $B_7, B_8$ : **violation** of current conservation
  - ②  $B_6$  **spoils** extraction of  $G_M$
  - ③  $(B_5 + B_7)$ : **violation** of angular condition for current matrix elements  $J_{\mu'_j \mu_j}^0$ :  
$$(1 + 2\eta)J_{11}^0 + J_{1-1}^0 - 2\sqrt{2\eta}J_{10}^0 - J_{00}^0 = -(B_5 + B_7) \neq 0$$
  
( $\sqrt{\eta} = \frac{Q}{2m_\rho}$ , kinematics:  $q = (0, Q, 0, 0)$ )

# PHYSICAL FORM FACTORS AND MODEL

[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]

- **unambiguous prescription** to separate physical from spurious form factors:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad F_1(Q^2) = -J_{11}^0(Q^2) - J_{1-1}^0(Q^2)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad F_2(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\eta} J_{1-1}^0(Q^2)$$

with overlap integrals  $J_{\mu'_j \mu_j}^0(Q^2) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3 \tilde{k}'_q \sqrt{\frac{m_{q\bar{q}}}{m'_{q\bar{q}}}} u^*(\tilde{k}'_q) u(\tilde{k}_q) S_{\mu'_j \mu_j}^1$

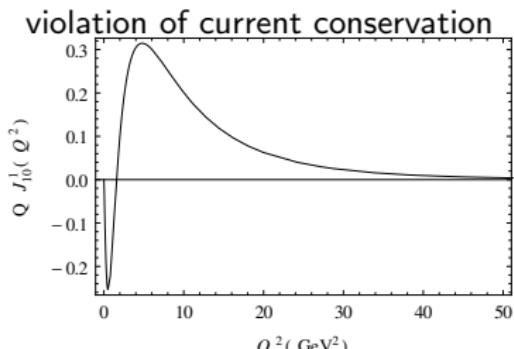
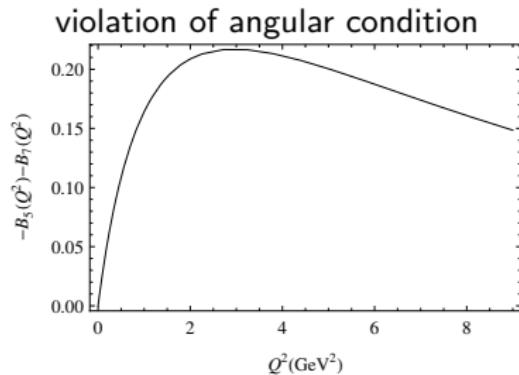
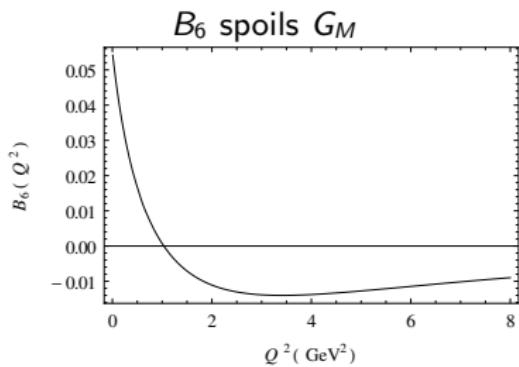
$$\textcircled{3} \quad G_M(Q^2) = -\frac{i}{Q} J_{11}^2(Q^2) \text{ with}$$

$$J_{\mu'_j \mu_j}^2(Q^2) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^3 \tilde{k}'_q \sqrt{\frac{m_{q\bar{q}}}{m'_{q\bar{q}}}} u^*(\tilde{k}'_q) u(\tilde{k}_q) \frac{m'_{q\bar{q}}}{(m'_{q\bar{q}} + 2\tilde{k}'_q)^3} (\tilde{k}'_q)^2 S_{\mu'_j \mu_j}^1 + \frac{iQ}{2} S_{\mu'_j \mu_j}^3$$

- simple model for  $\rho$ -meson: confinement described by harmonic oscillator potential  
⇒ 2 parameters: constituent quark mass  $m_q = 340$  MeV and oscillator length  $a = 312$  MeV fixed to reproduce mass splitting between ground ( $m_\rho = 770$  MeV) and 1<sup>st</sup> excited state

# RESULTS: SPURIOUS CONTRIBUTIONS

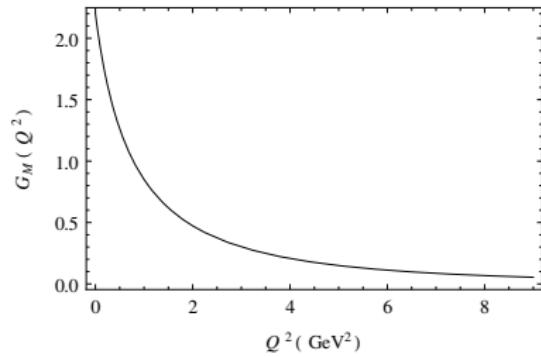
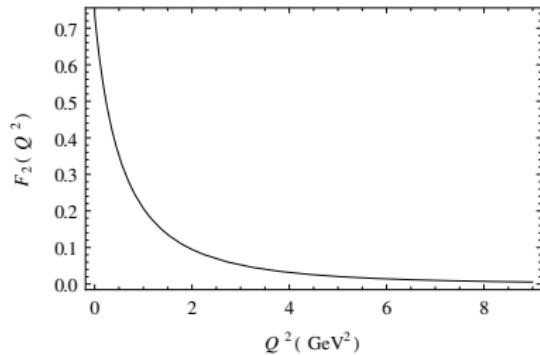
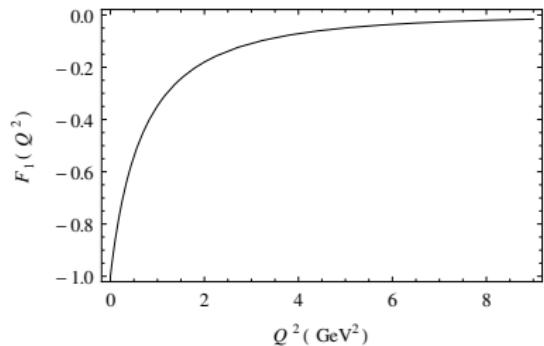
[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]



**cannot** be neglected!

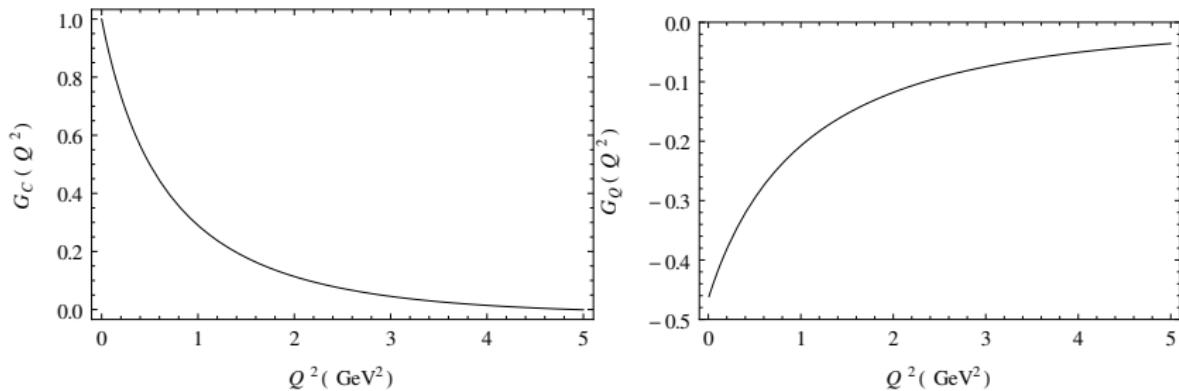
# RESULTS FOR $F_1, F_2, G_M$

[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]



# RESULTS FOR $G_C$ , $G_M$ , $G_Q$ AND COMPARISONS

[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]



Ref.	$m_q$ (MeV)	$a$ (MeV)	$\mu_\rho$ ( $ e /2m_\rho$ )	$Q_\rho$ ( $ e /m_\rho^2$ )
this work	340	312	2.20	-0.47
Choi et al. [CJ]	220	365.9	1.92	-0.43
this work	220	365.9	2.33	-0.33
Jaus [J]	250	280	1.83	-0.33
this work	250	280	2.25	-0.33
Carbonell et al. [CD]	250	262	2.23	-0.005
this work	250	262	2.231	-0.0058
Chung et al. [CC]	250	316	2.23	-0.19
this work	250	316	2.27344	-0.253915

References: CJ: Choi, Ji; PRD 70, 2004 J: Jaus; PRD 67, 2003 CD: Carbonell et al.; Phys.Rep.300, 1998  
CC: Chung et al.; PRC 37, 1988

# COMPARISONS OF MOMENTS WITH OTHER APPROACHES

[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]

Ref.	$\mu_\rho$	$Q_\rho$
this work	2.20	-0.47
Bagdasaryan et al. [BE]	2.30	-0.45
Samsonov [S]	$2.00 \pm 0.3$	-
Aliev et al. [AS]	2.30	-
Cardarelli et al. [C]	2.23	-0.61
Bhagwat et al. [BM]	2.01	-0.41
Hawes et al. [HP]	2.69	-0.84
De Melo et al. [MF]	2.14	-0.79

## References:

- BE: Bagdasaryan, Esaybegyan; Yad.Fiz.42, 1985
- MF: de Melo, Frederico; PRC 55, 1997
- C: Cardarelli et al.; PLB 349, 1995
- S: Samsonov; JHEP 12, 2003
- AS: Aliev, Savci; PRD 70, 2004
- BO: Braguta, Onishchenko; PRD 70, 2004
- BM: Bhagwat, Maris; PRC 77, 2008
- HP: Hawes, Pichowski; PRC 59, 1999

taken from Carrillo-Serrano, Bentz, Cloet, Thomas, PRC 92, (2015):

Reference	$\langle r_C^2 \rangle (\text{fm}^2)$	$\mu_\rho (\mu_N)$	$Q_\rho (\text{fm}^2)$
This work	0.67	3.14	-0.070
Garcia Gudiño [6]		2.6(6)	
Cardarelli [8]	0.35	2.76	-0.024
De Melo [9]	0.37	2.61	-0.052
Melikhov [11]	0.33	2.87	-0.031
Jaus [12]		2.23	-0.022
Choi [13]		2.34	-0.028
Biernat [14]		2.68	-0.027
Samsonov [16]		2.4(4)	
Aliev [18]		2.8(6)	
Hawes [19]	0.37	3.28	-0.055
Bhagwat [20]	0.54	2.54	-0.026
Roberts [21]	0.31	2.14	-0.037
Pitschmann [22]		2.13	
Owen [25]	0.670(68)	2.613(97)	-0.0452(61)
Shultz [26]	0.30(6)	2.00(9)	-0.020(4)

# COMPARISONS OF $G_C$ , $G_M$ , $G_Q$

[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]

same model wave function:

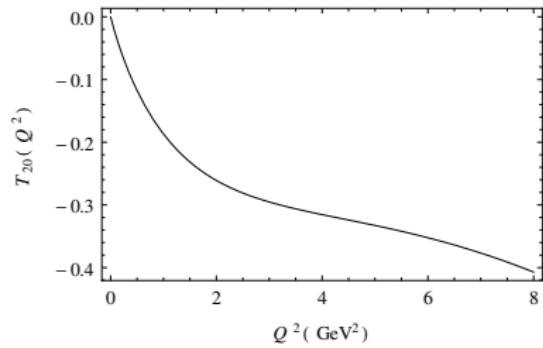
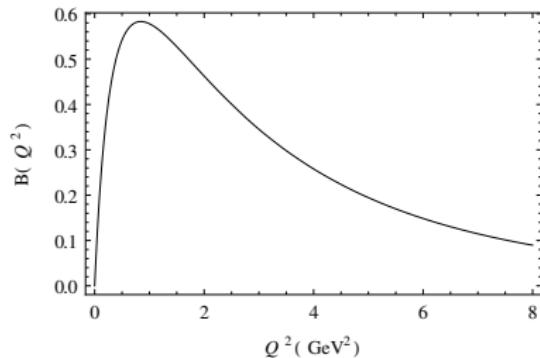
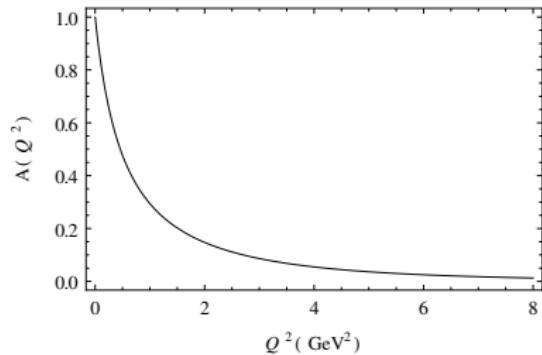
$Q^2(\text{GeV}^2)$		Choi et al. [CJ]	this work
$Q^2 = 1$	$G_C$	0.38	0.29
	$G_M$	0.93	0.93
	$G_Q$	-0.23	-0.21
$Q^2 = 2$	$G_C$	0.18	0.12
	$G_M$	0.59	0.58
	$G_Q$	-0.15	-0.14
$Q^2 = 3$	$G_C$	0.08	0.05
	$G_M$	0.41	0.41
	$G_Q$	-0.10	-0.10

different wave functions:

$Q^2(\text{GeV}^2)$		this work	[BM]	[HP]	[AS]	[BO]
$Q^2 = 0$	$G_C$	1	1	1	1	-
	$G_M$	2.20	2.01	2.69	2.30	-
	$G_Q$	-0.47	-0.41	-0.84	-	-
$Q^2 = 1$	$G_C$	0.29	0.22	0.17	0.25	0.10
	$G_M$	0.85	0.57	0.85	0.58	0.46
	$G_Q$	-0.21	-0.11	-0.51	-0.49	-0.16
$Q^2 = 2$	$G_C$	0.11	0.08	0.04	0.13	0.16
	$G_M$	0.47	0.27	0.45	0.28	0.27
	$G_Q$	-0.12	-0.05	-0.32	-0.24	-0.11
$Q^2 = 3$	$G_C$	0.05		0.11	0.08	-0.03
	$G_M$	0.30		0.25	0.17	0.18
	$G_Q$	-0.07		-0.23	-0.15	-0.10

# ELASTIC SCATTERING OBSERVABLES

[EB, Schweiger; PRC 89, 2014]



## SUMMARY

- Point-form relativistic quantum mechanics: coupled-channel formalism to calculate electromagnetic form factors from physical process of electron- $\rho$ -meson scattering
- derive  $\rho$ -meson current within Bakamjian-Thomas framework with
  - ① correct covariance properties
  - ② wrong cluster properties  $\Rightarrow$  spurious contributions that cannot be neglected
- unambiguous procedure to separate physical from spurious contributions: infinite invariant mass limit
  - $\Rightarrow$  extract 3 physical form factors
  - $\Rightarrow$  physical  $\rho$ -meson current with all required properties
- other applications (Schweiger, Jung, Gomez-Rocha, Kupelwieser, Senekowitsch, EB)
  - ① deuteron, pion, heavy-light meson form factors
  - ② meson transition form factors
  - ③ nucleon form factors, pion-cloud effects
  - ④ baryon transition form factors, e.g. N- $\Delta$  transition form factors
  - ⑤ meson-baryon vertices

**THANK YOU!**