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Studying Low-Energy QCD via Radiative Meson Decays

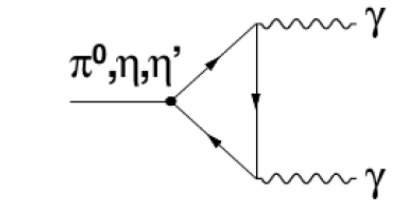
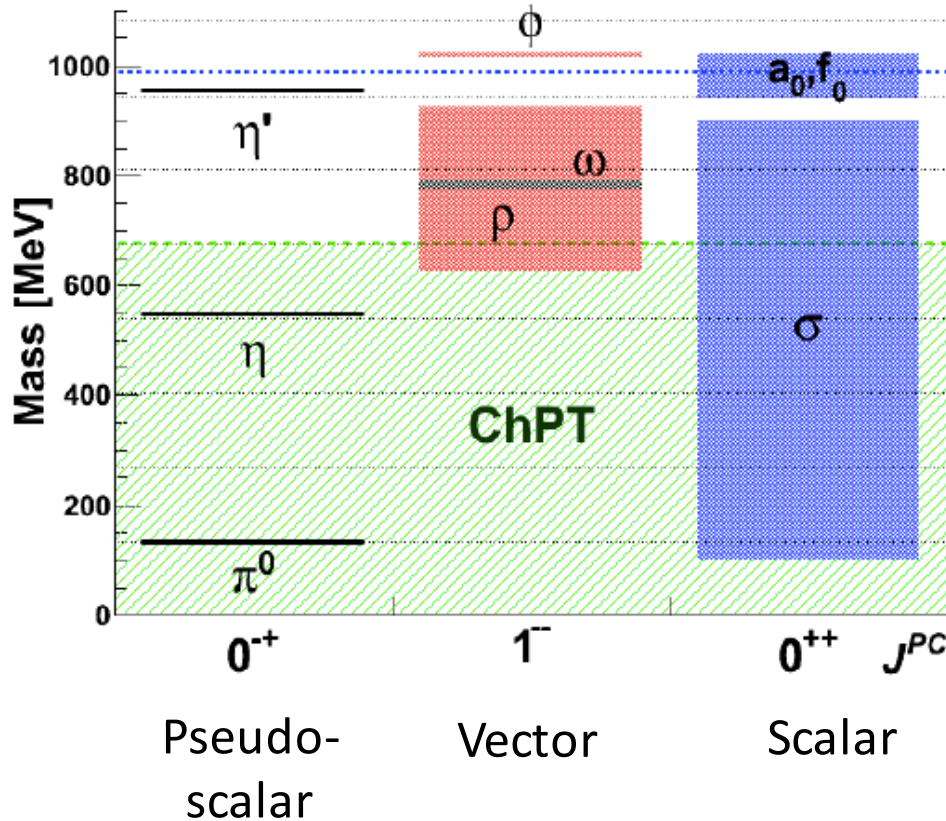


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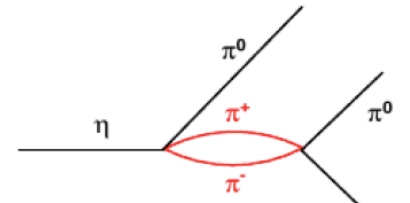
Light Meson Degrees of Freedom

Hadron Spectroscopy

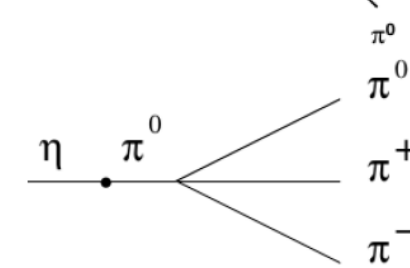
Hadron Structure/Dynamics



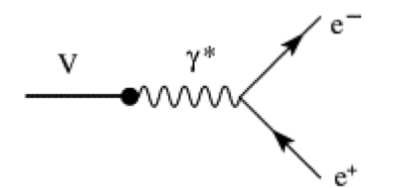
Anomalous Processes



Rescattering Effects



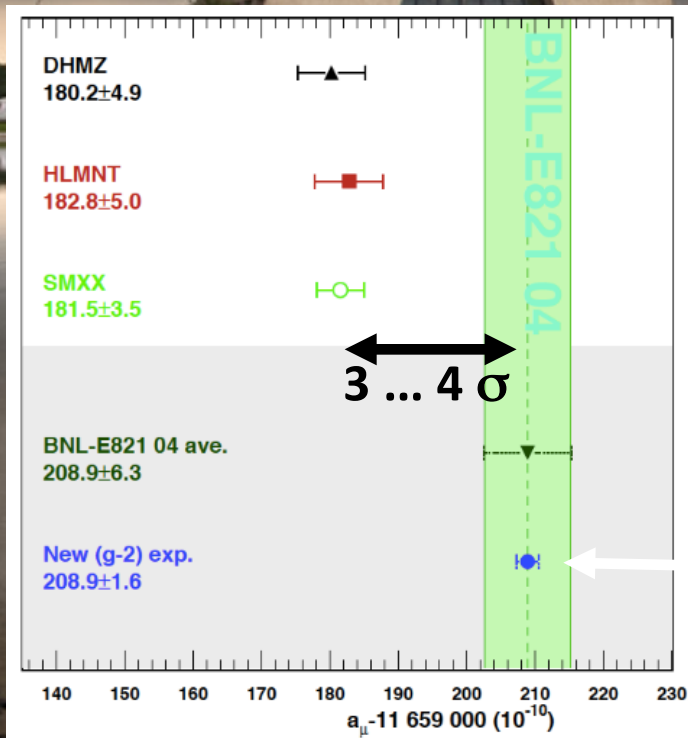
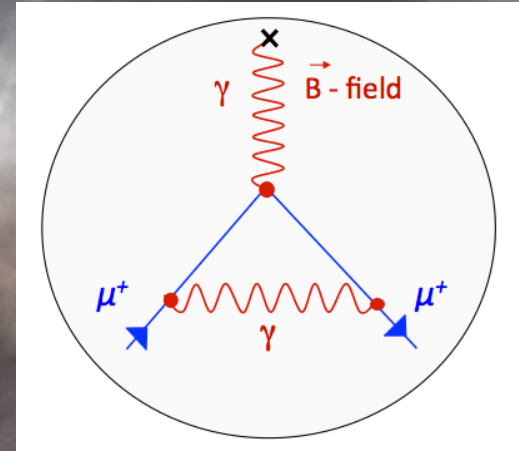
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Vector Meson Dominance

Muon Anomalous Magnetic Moment Puzzle

$(g-2)_\mu$



New $(g-2)_\mu$ experiment
at FNAL has started data taking

Standard Model Prediction of $(g-2)_\mu$

Hadronic contribution **non-perturbative**, the limiting contribution

$$a_\mu^{SM} = a_\mu^{QED} + a_\mu^{weak} + a_\mu^{had} = (11\,659\,182.05 \pm 3.56) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

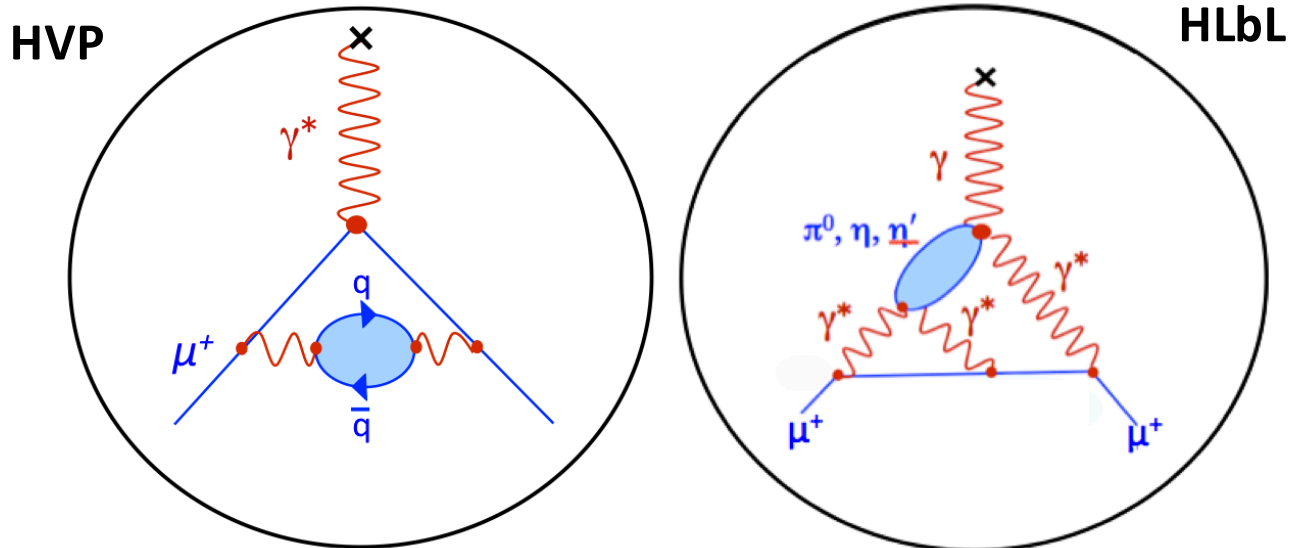
[Keshavarzi, Nomura, Teubner 2018]

Teubner et al. '11

→ **HVP**: Hadronic Vacuum Polarization $(693.27 \pm 2.46) \cdot 10^{-10}$

NLO $(-9.82 \pm 0.04) \cdot 10^{-10}$

→ **HLbL**: Hadronic Light-by-Light $(10.5 \pm 2.6) \cdot 10^{-10}$



Hadronic Light-by-Light ($g-2$) $_{\mu}$

Leading contributions are pole contribution from π^0, η, η'

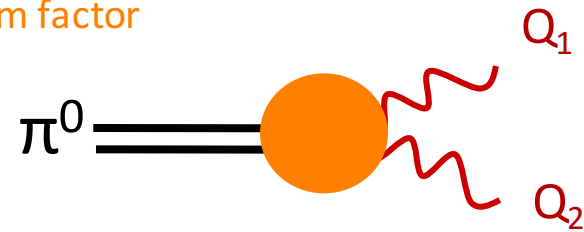
$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}; \pi^0(1)} = \int_0^{\infty} dQ_1 \int_0^{\infty} dQ_2 \int_{-1}^1 d\tau w_1(Q_1, Q_2, \tau) \mathcal{F}_{\pi^0 \gamma^* \gamma^*}(-Q_1^2, -(Q_1 + Q_2)^2) \mathcal{F}_{\pi^0 \gamma^* \gamma^*}(-Q_2^2, 0)$$

3D integral representation

[Nyffeler 2016]

weighting
function

transition
form factor



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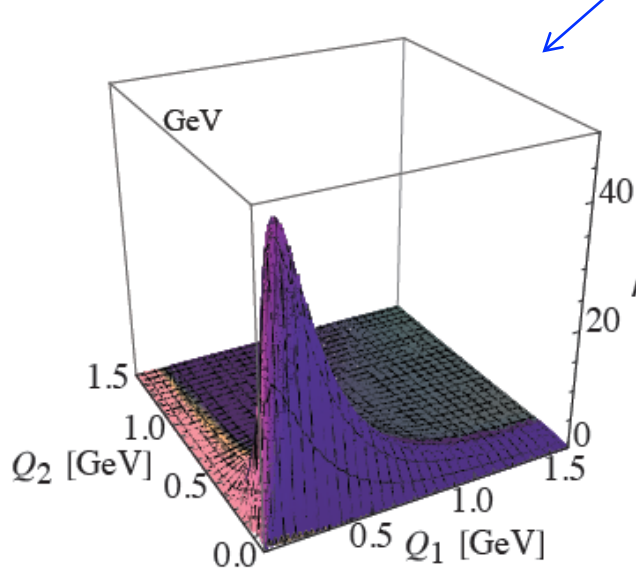
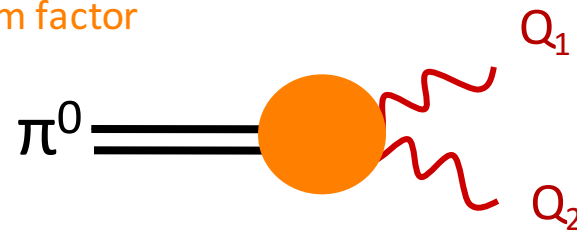
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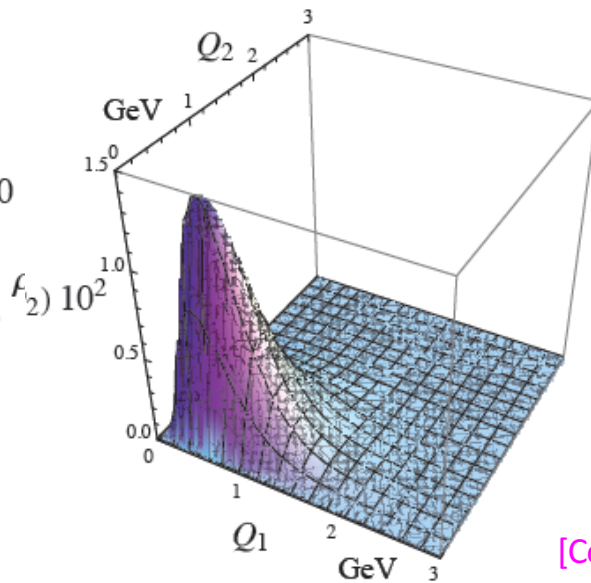
[Nyffeler 2016]

weighting function

transition form factor



Pseudoscalar Mesons



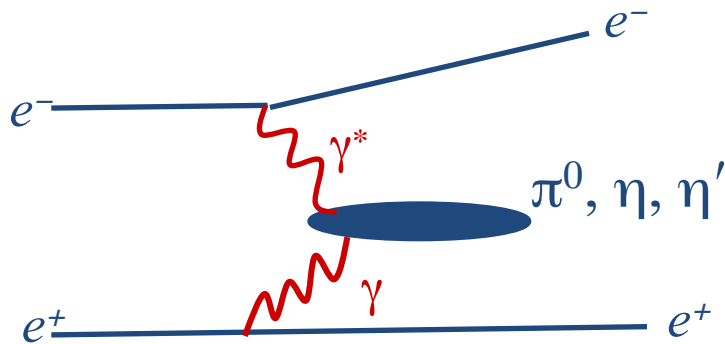
Axial Vector Mesons

→ Dispersion theory:
Relate singly-virtual form factor to doubly-virtual one

[Colangelo, Hoferichter, Kubis, ...2014, 2015]

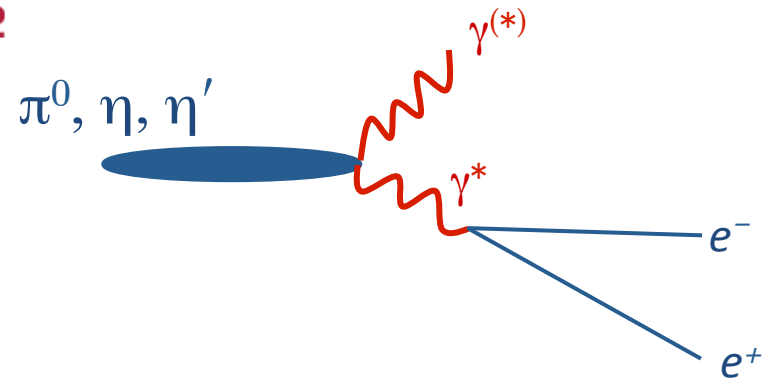
[Pauk, Vanderhaeghen, 2015, 2016]

Transition Form Factors (TFF)



Spacelike Measurement

at BES III: $Q^2 = 0.3 - 3.1 \text{ GeV}^2$
no previous precision data



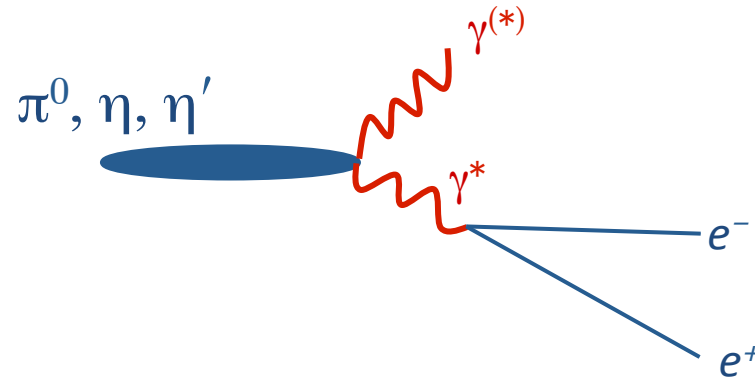
Timelike Measurement

$$Q^2 < M_{\text{Meson}}^2$$

Outline



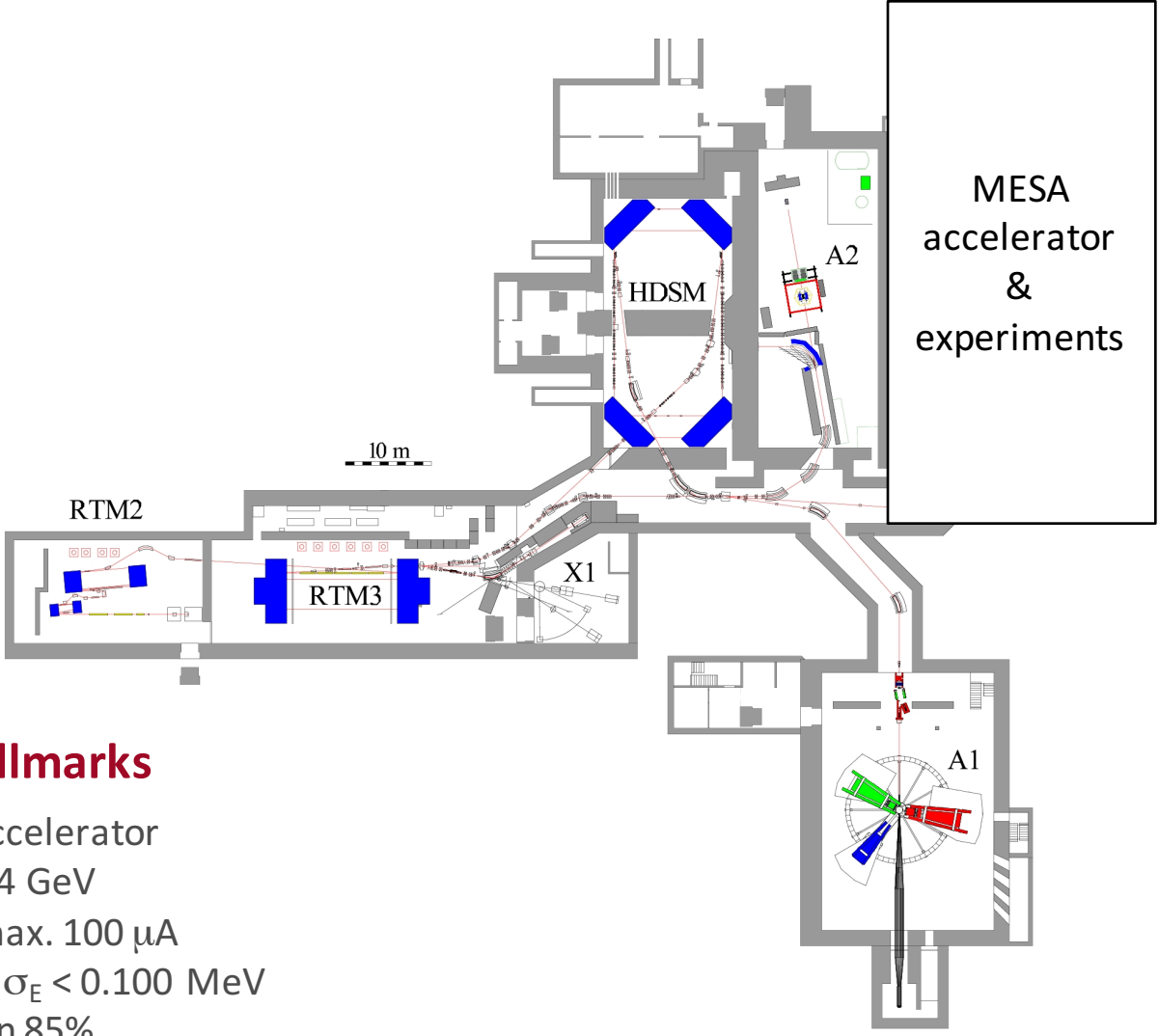
- Transition Form Factor Measurements at A2/MAMI
- Gamma-Gamma-Programme at BES III
- Anomalous Decay $\eta' \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$ at BES III



Transition Form Factor Measurements at



Experiment A2: Photon Beam Line



MAMI Hallmarks

- Electron Accelerator
- $E_{\text{max}} = 1.604 \text{ GeV}$
- Intensity max. $100 \mu\text{A}$
- Resolution $\sigma_E < 0.100 \text{ MeV}$
- Polarization 85%

Experiment A2: Photon Beam Line

Experiment A2: Photon Scattering

- “Tagged” bremsstrahlung photons
- 4π calorimeter setup around target

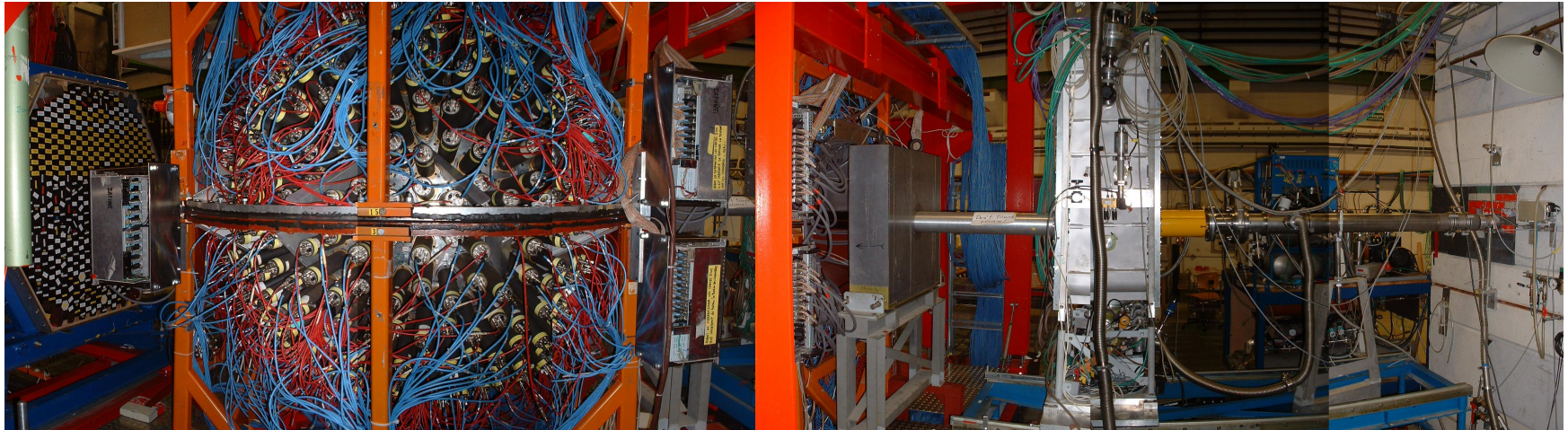
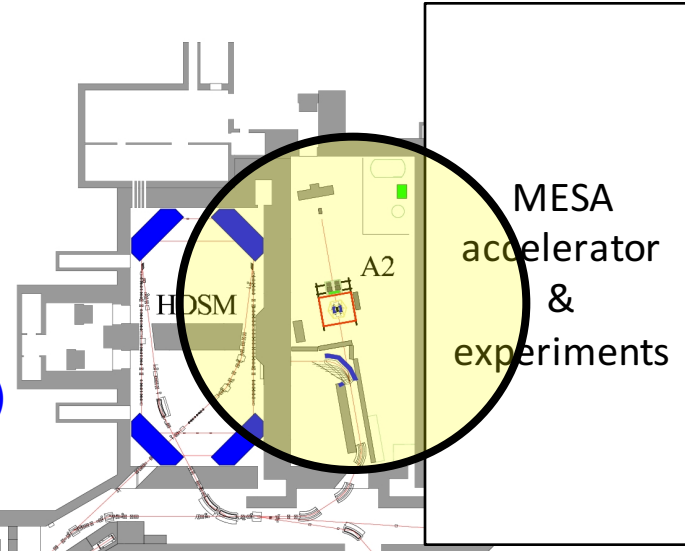
Crystal Ball (672 NaI, $20^\circ < \Theta < 160^\circ$)

TAPS (384 BaF₂, $1^\circ < \Theta < 20^\circ$, PbWO₄)

Polarized Target (long. + transv. polarization)

RTM2

10 m

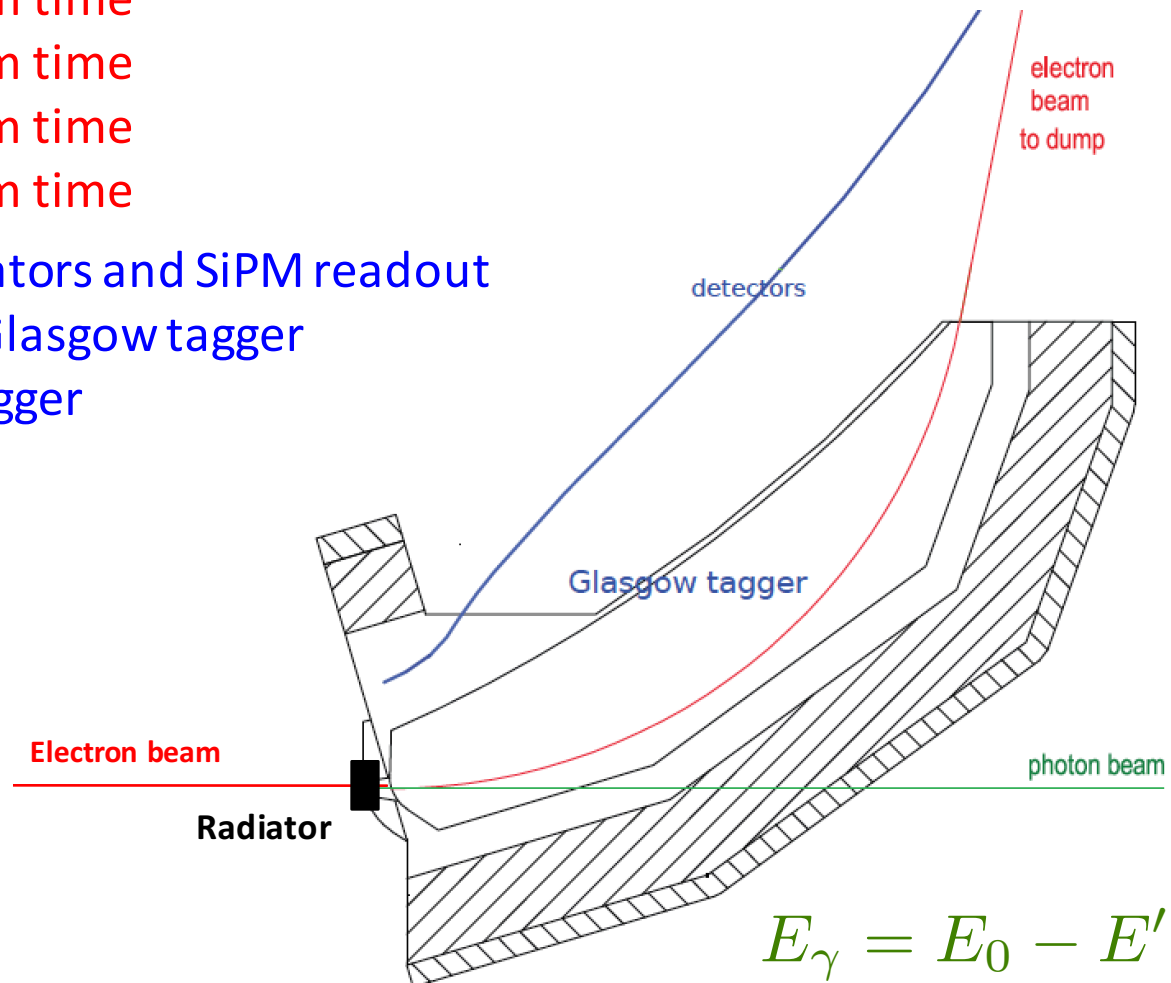


Photoproduction Pseudoscalar Mesons

Production rates:

- π^0 : $\sim 10^9$ events / beam time
- η : $\sim 10^8$ events / beam time
- η' : $\sim 10^7$ events / beam time
- ω : $> 10^7$ events / beam time

- Installation of new scintillators and SiPM readout for focal plane of Mainz - Glasgow tagger
- Installation of endpoint tagger



A2 Programme on TFF Measurements

$$\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$$

Phys.Lett. B701 (2011) 562

Phys. Rev. C 89 (2014) 044608

Phys.Rev. C95 (2017) 035208

$$\omega \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$$

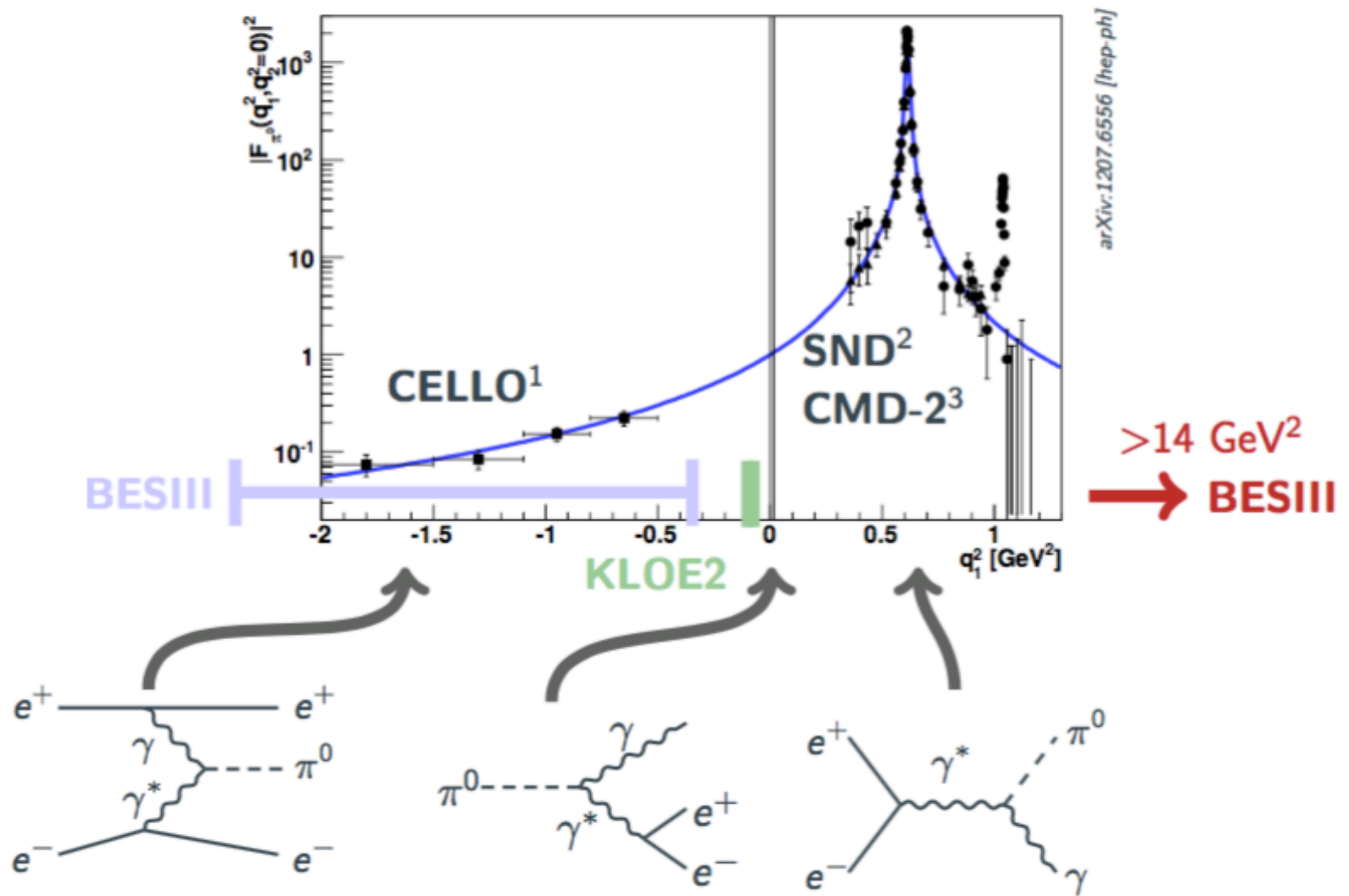
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$$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$$

Phys. Rev. C95 (2017) 025202

In preparation: $\eta' \rightarrow \gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$

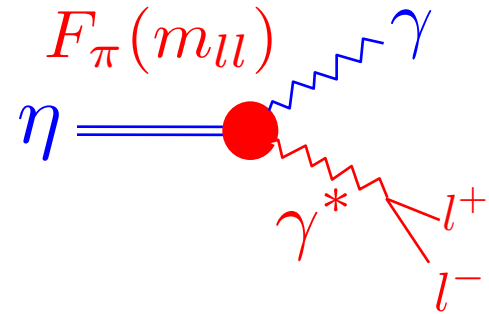
Timelike EM Form Factor: $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$



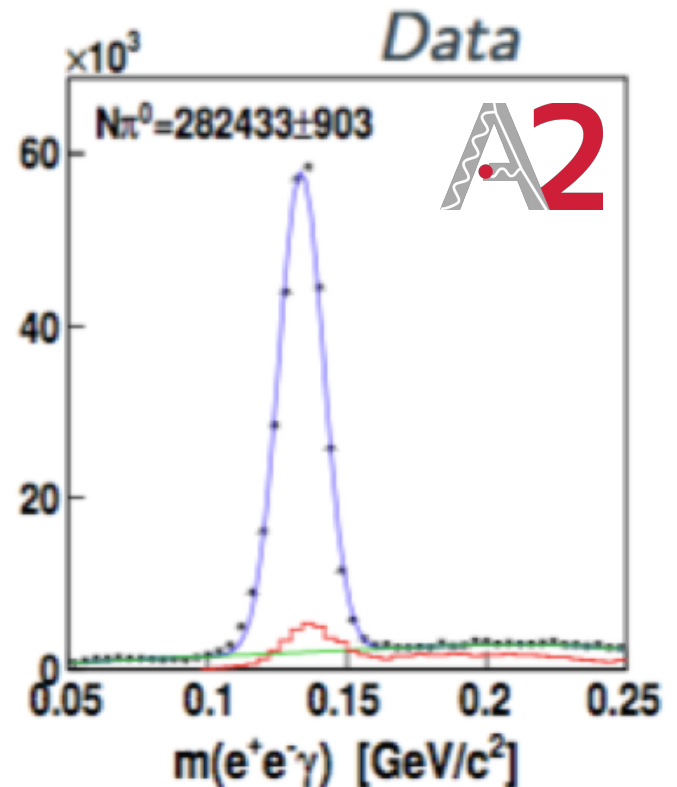
Timelike EM Form Factor: $\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$

$$\frac{d\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma)}{dm_{ee} \Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)} = [\text{QED}] \cdot |F_\pi(m_{ee})|^2$$

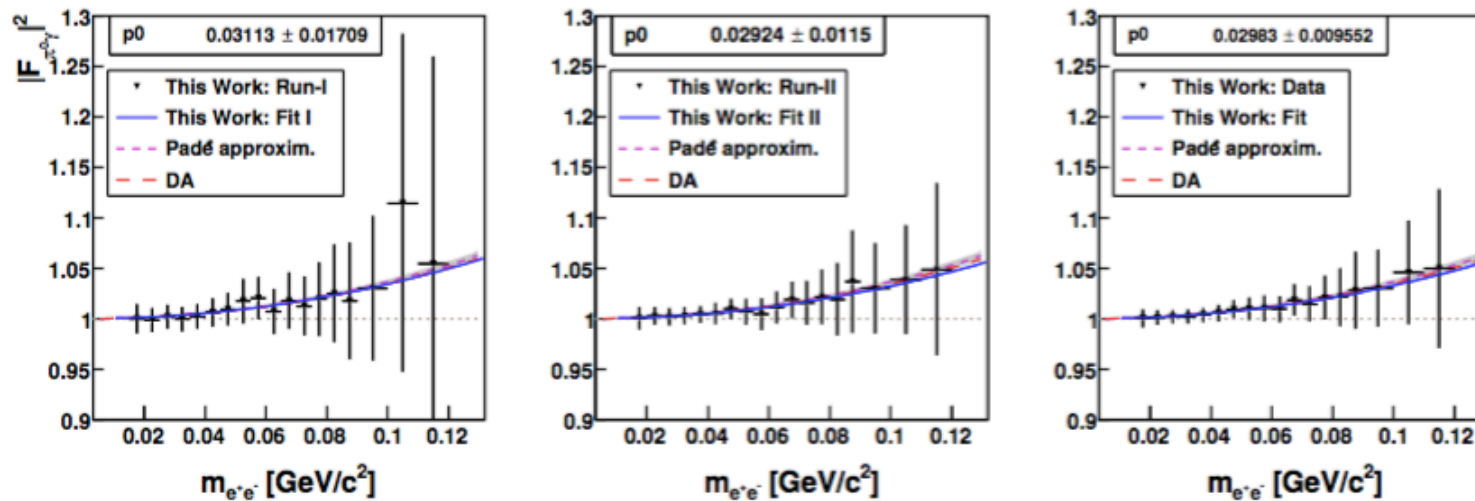
↑
pointlike pi0



- 2 Runs
 - 1.5 weeks in 2008, $E_{\text{beam}} = 855 \text{ MeV}$
 - 3 weeks in 2013, $E_{\text{beam}} = 1557 \text{ MeV}$
- Non-magnetic calorimeter
 - PID detector
- Select 3 or 4 cluster events
 - $4 \cdot 10^5$ Dalitz events



Timelike EM Form Factor: $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$



VMD inspired fit $F(q^2, 0) \approx 1 + \frac{a_{\pi}}{m_{\pi^0}^2} q^2$

Total uncertainty dominated by fit uncertainties
→ statistics

QED includes radiative corrections

Husek, Kampf, Novotny (PRD 2015)

Timelike EM Form Factor: $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$

Experiment:

A2/MAMI result

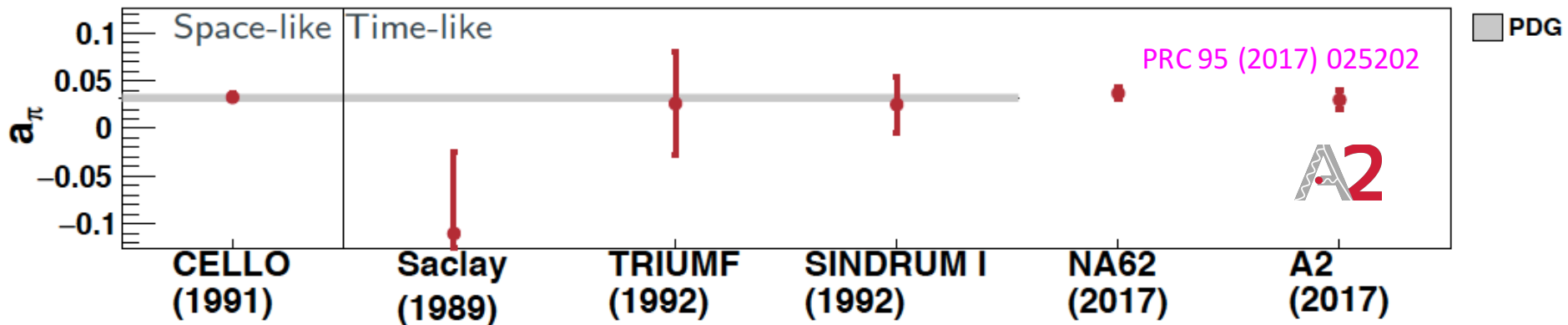
$$a_\pi = 0.03 \pm 0.01_{tot}$$

NA62 result

$$a_\pi = 0.0368(57_{tot}) \quad \text{PLB 768 (2017) 38}$$

PDG average

$$a_\pi = 0.032(4)$$



Theory:

Dispersion analysis

$$a_\pi = 0.0307(6)$$

EPJC74 (2014) 3180

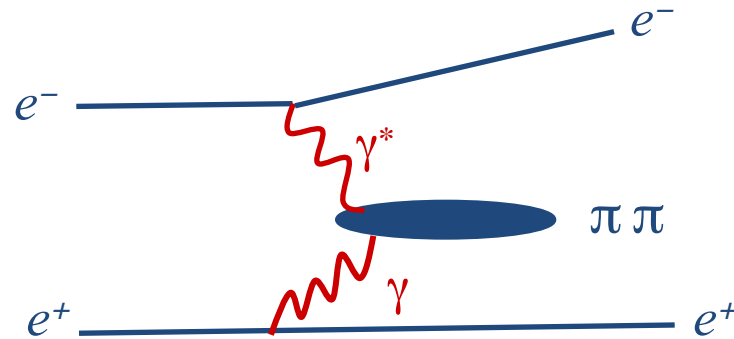
Padé approximants

$$a_\pi = 0.0324(12)_{stat}(19)_{sys}$$

PRD 86 (2012) 094021

New experiment scheduled at A2/MAMI for spring 2018 (6 weeks)

Target accuracy: PDG error from 2.2 Million Dalitz decays



gamma – gamma Interactions at

BESIII

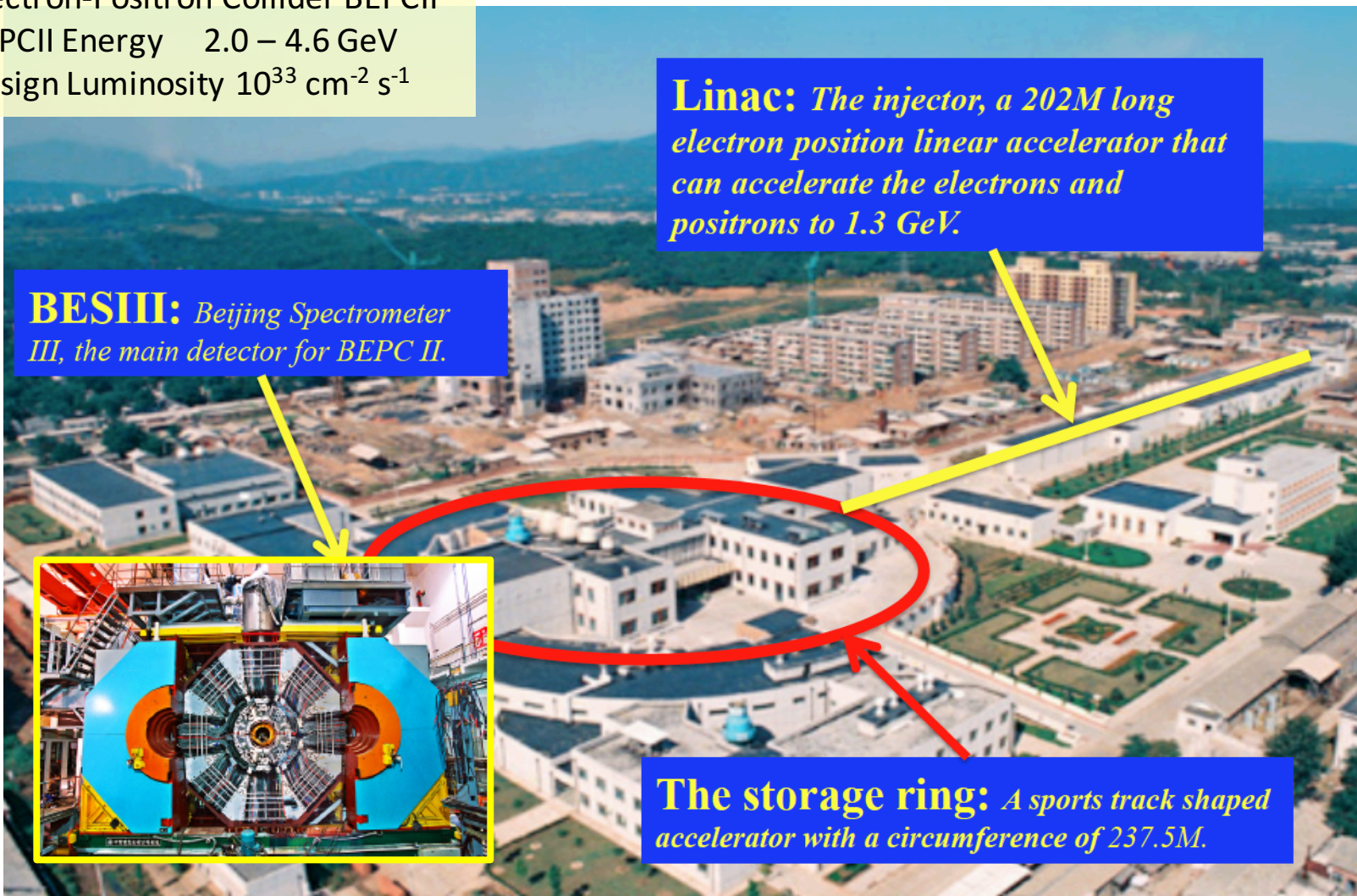
BESIII Experiment @ BEPCII

Electron-Positron Collider BEPCII
 BEPCII Energy 2.0 – 4.6 GeV
 Design Luminosity $10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Linac: *The injector, a 202M long electron position linear accelerator that can accelerate the electrons and positrons to 1.3 GeV.*

BESIII: *Beijing Spectrometer III, the main detector for BEPC II.*

The storage ring: *A sports track shaped accelerator with a circumference of 237.5M.*



Spacelike FFs $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow P$

Single Tag Method

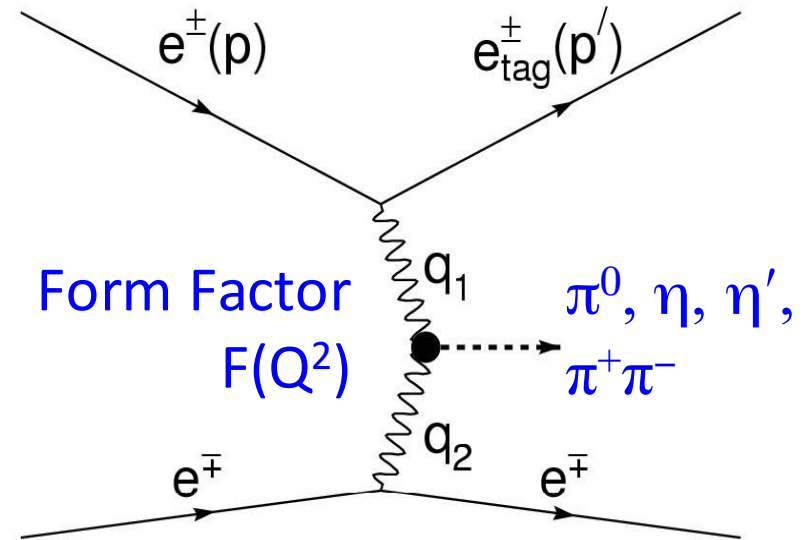
Selection criteria

- 1 electron (positron) detected
- 1 positron (electron) along beam axis
- Meson fully reconstructed
- **cut on angle of missing momentum**

Momentum transfer

- tagged: $Q^2 = -q_1^2 = -(p - p')^2$
→ Highly virtual photon
- untagged: $q^2 = -q_2^2 \sim 0 \text{ GeV}^2$
→ Quasi-real photon

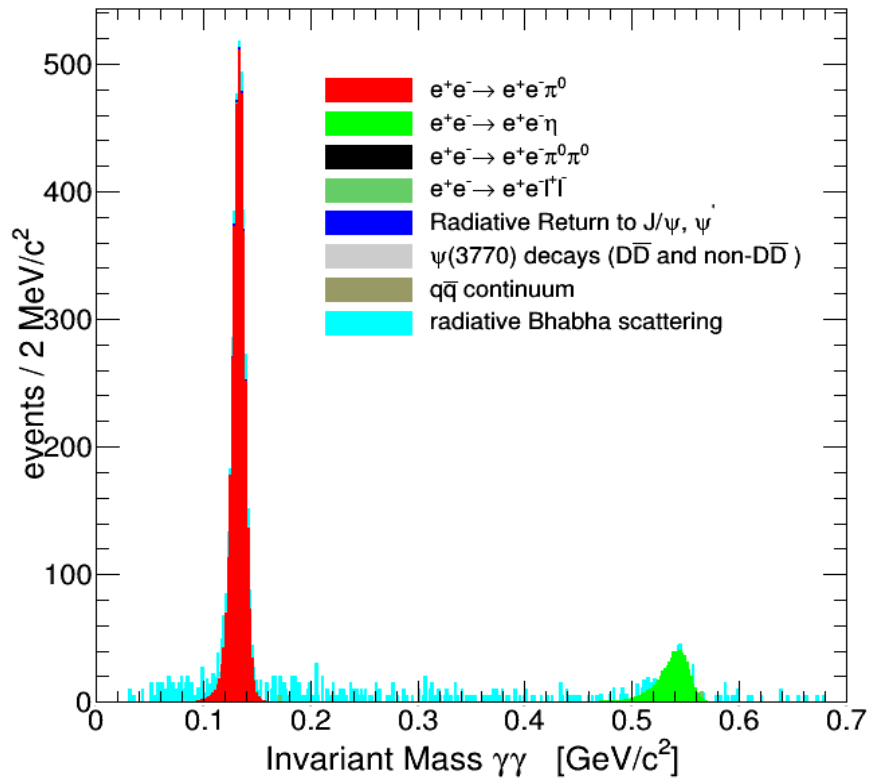
EKHARA event generator
Czyż, Ivashyn, Trasz



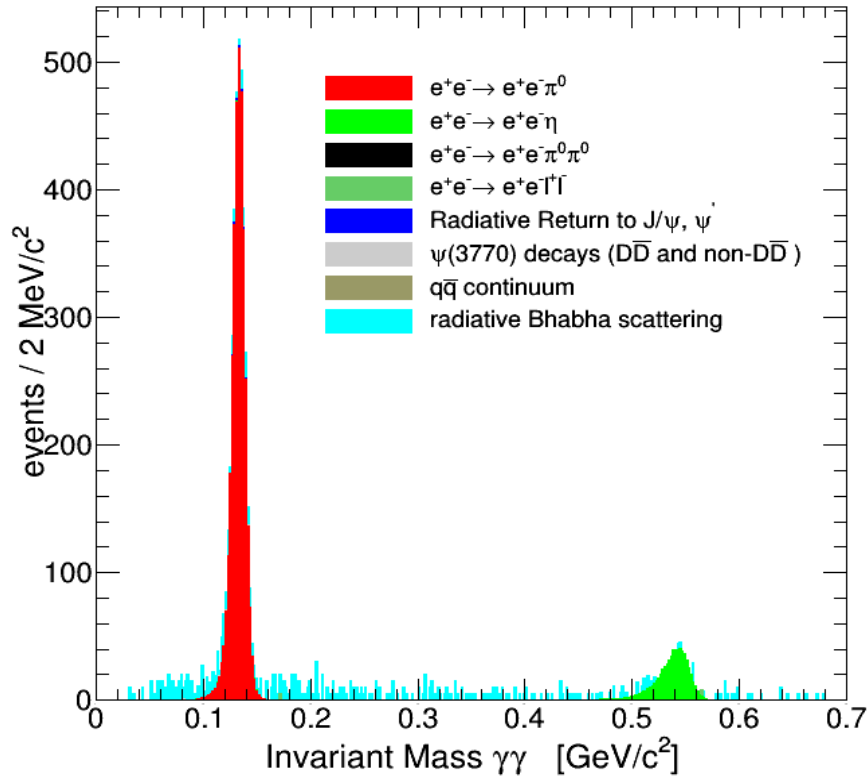
Event Selection:

- exactly one lepton candidate
- fully reconstruct hadronic system
- Kinematic cuts to reject ISR background
- **cut on angle of missing momentum**

BES III Analysis: $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^- \pi^0$



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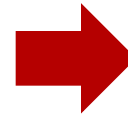


Strategy:

Count
 π^0 yield in
bins of Q^2

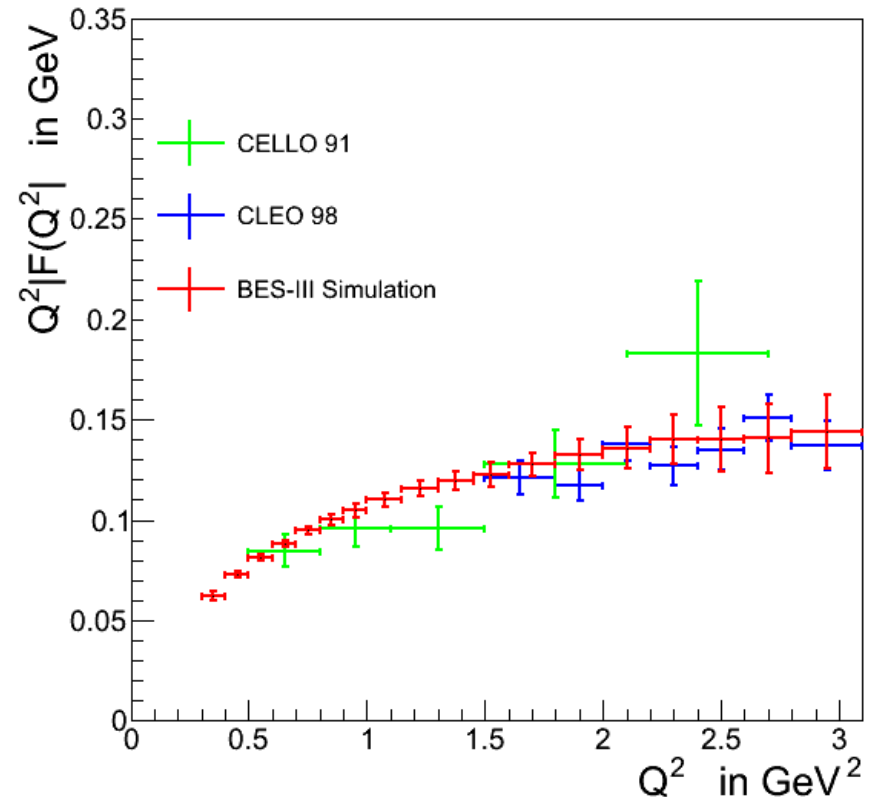
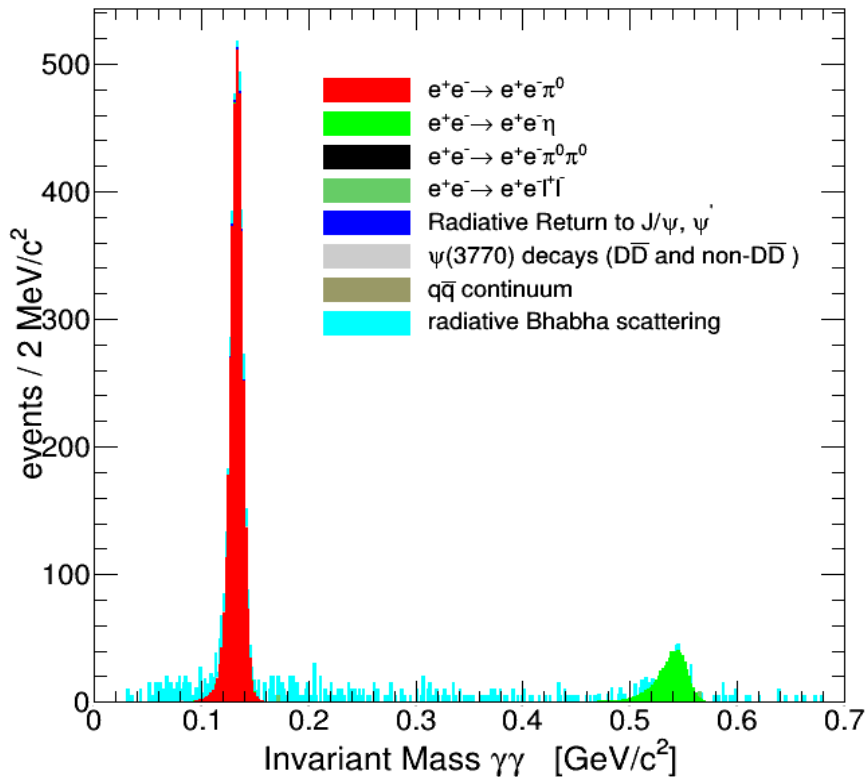


$d\sigma/dQ^2$



Form factor
 $F(Q^2)$

BES III Analysis: $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^- \pi^0$

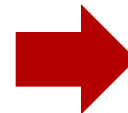


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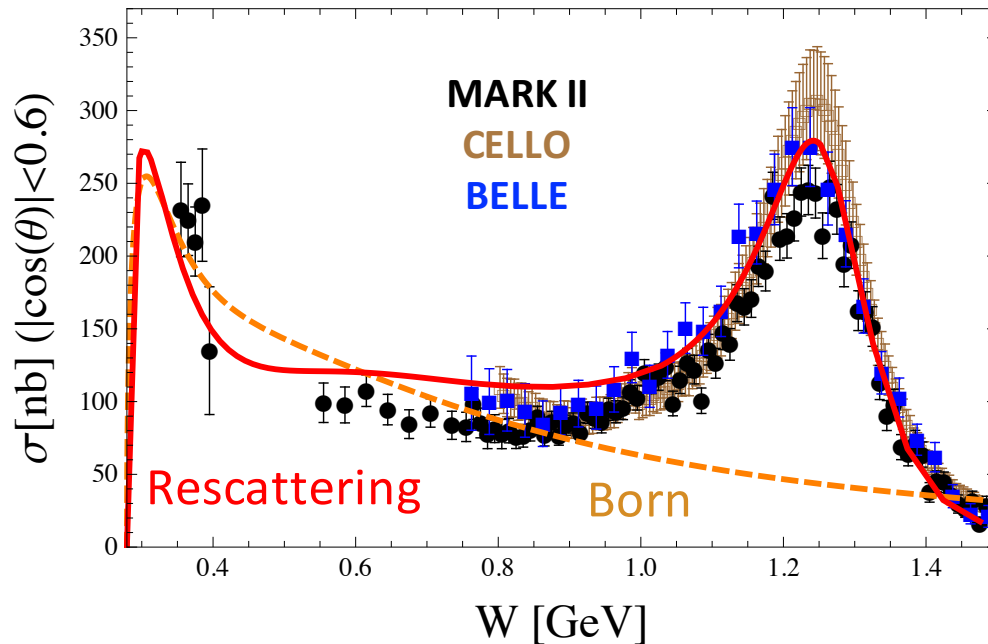
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BES III Analysis: $\gamma \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

Motivations:

- Essential for dispersive framework [Colangelo, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer](#)
- Resonance parameters
- Rescattering effects in low mass region
- Pion polarizabilities, pion structure

Until recently only untagged measurements, recent BELLE result single-tagged
[Phys. Rev. D93 \(2016\) 032003](#)



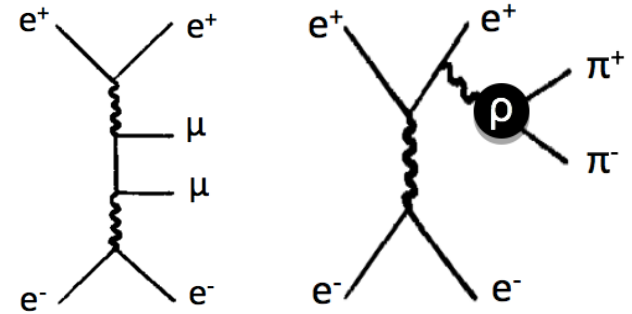
[MarkII, Phys. Rev. D42 \(1990\) 5](#)
[CELLO, Z. Phys. C56 \(1992\) 381](#)
[Belle, Phys. Rev D75 \(2007\) 051101](#)

BES III Analysis: $\gamma \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

- Multivariate methods to suppress muon background
- Subtract ρ contribution

Fit peak in data using shape from theory

- First single-tag measurement of $\gamma \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$!
 - low momentum transfers $0.2 < Q^2 [\text{GeV}^2] < 2.0$
 - low invariant masses $m_{\pi^+\pi^-} < M [\text{GeV}] < 2.0$
 - full coverage of $\cos\theta^*$
 - Polarizability contribution beyond Born term

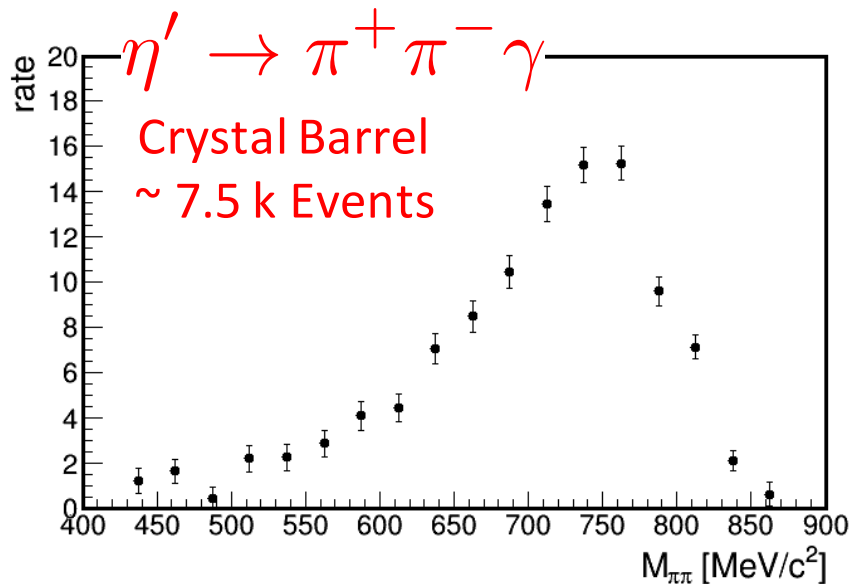
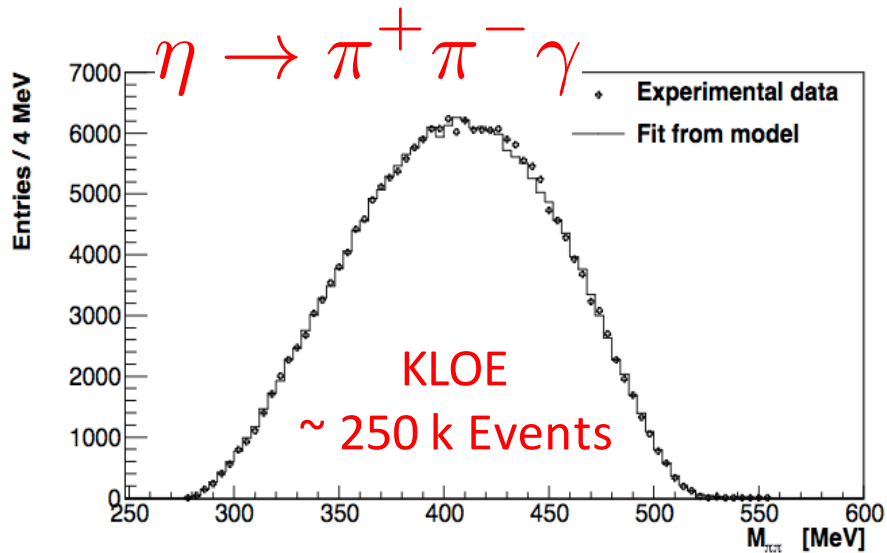


Decay Dynamics in

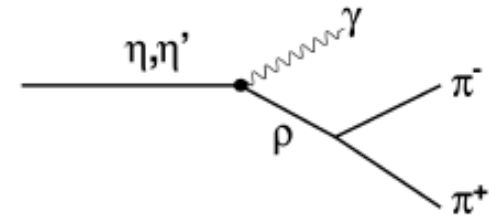
$\eta' \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\gamma$ Decays

BESIII

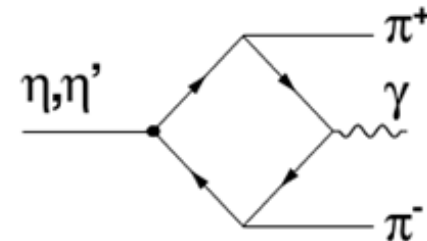
Description of the $\eta^{(\prime)} \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$ Decay



Vector Meson Dominance Model



Wess-Zumino box anomaly contribution



Model – independent approach
based on ChPT and dispersion relations

Stollenwerk et al. , PLB (2012)

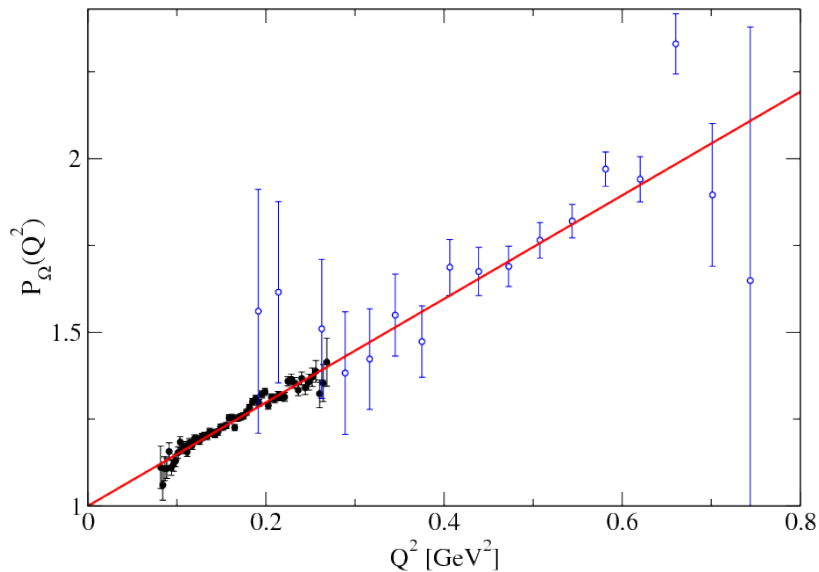
$$\frac{d\Gamma}{ds} = |A(1 + \alpha s + \dots) F_V(s)|^2 K_P(s)$$

pion vector form factor

Relation to η Transition FF

Hanhart et al., PRD (2013)

Fit to $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$ works well with linear term only, also good agreement with old Crystal Barrel data on $\eta' \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$

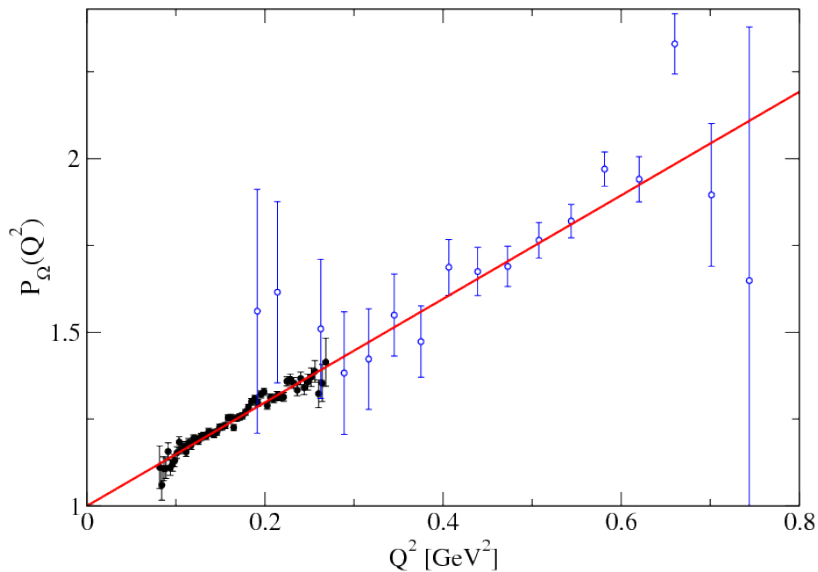
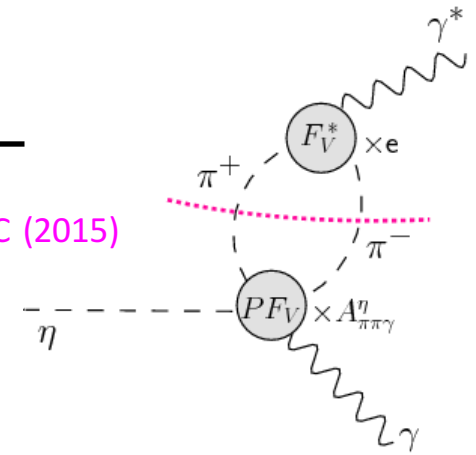


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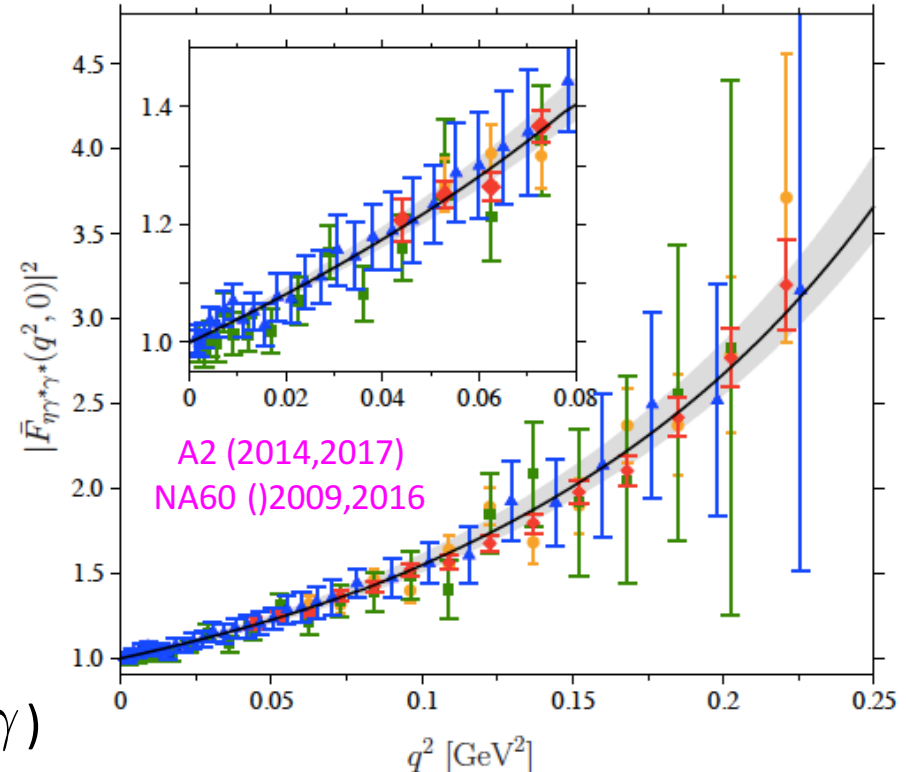
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Kubis, Plentner, EPJC (2015)



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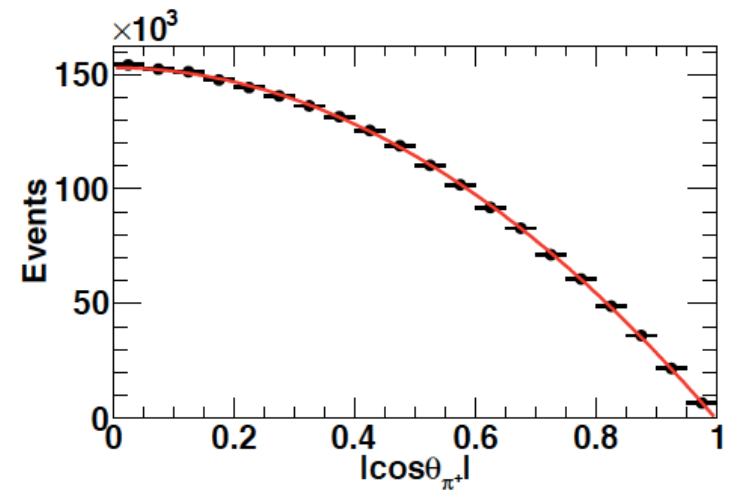
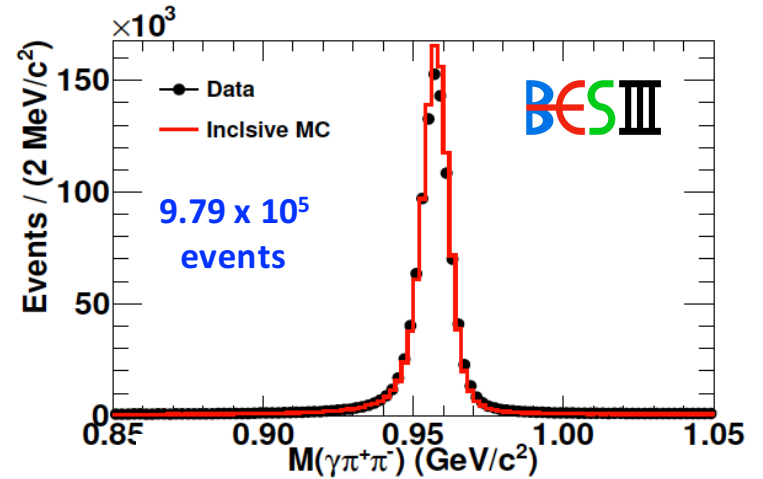


Allows to extract the eta TFF
 Input: $F_V(s)$, slope parameter,
 $BR(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma)$, $BR(\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$

BES III Analysis of $\eta' \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$

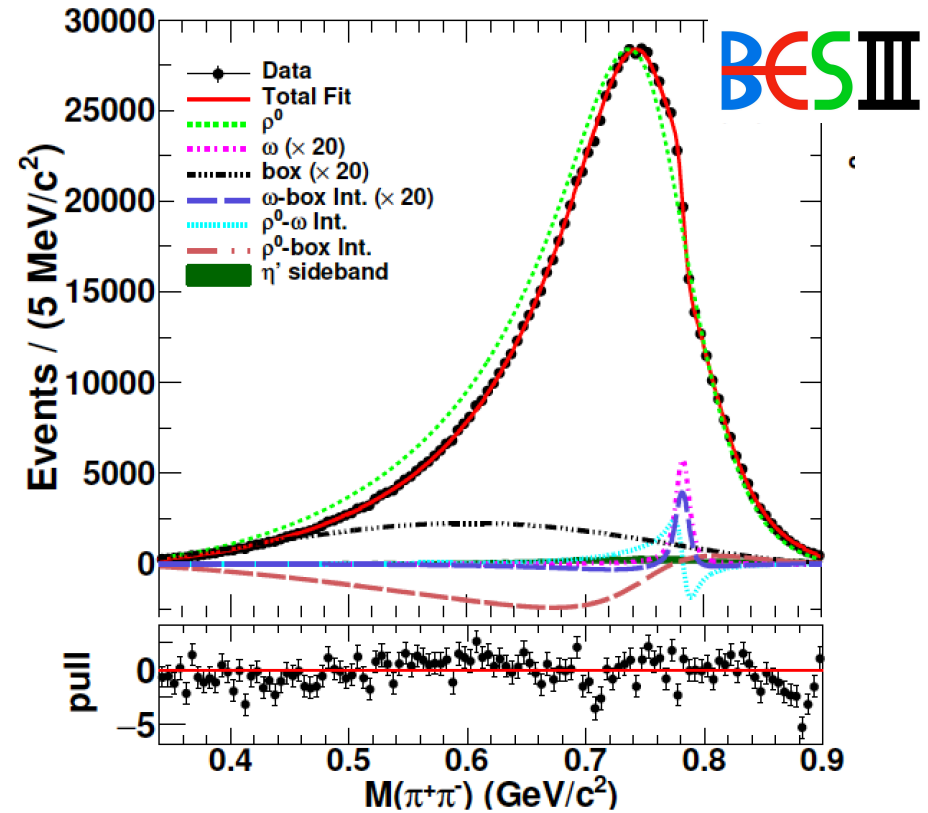
eta' sample from radiative J/ψ decays:

- world's largest sample 1.6 Billion
- 5×10^{-3} branching ratio in eta'



Search for Box Anomaly in $\eta' \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$

arxiv:1712.01525



Fit to $M(\pi\pi)$ requires definitely:

- $\rho(770)$ and $\omega(782)$ contributions
- $\rho + \omega$ interference

Fit to $M(\pi\pi)$ including in addition:

- box anomaly contribution $\rightarrow \chi^2/\text{ndf} = 207/107$
- $\rho(1450)$ contribution $\rightarrow \chi^2/\text{ndf} = 303/106$
- $\rho(1450) + \text{box anomaly}$ contribution $\rightarrow \chi^2/\text{ndf} = 134/105$, but unstable fits

Model-independent Fit to $\eta' \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$

Include also the omega contribution
to theoretical description

$$P(s) = 1 + \kappa \cdot s + \lambda \cdot s^2 + \xi \cdot BW_\omega$$

mixing term
rho-omega

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa &= 0.992 \pm 0.039_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.067_{\text{syst}} \text{ GeV}^{-2} \\ \lambda &= -0.523 \pm 0.039_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.066_{\text{syst}} \text{ GeV}^{-2} \\ \xi &= 0.199 \pm 0.006_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.011_{\text{syst}} \end{aligned}$$

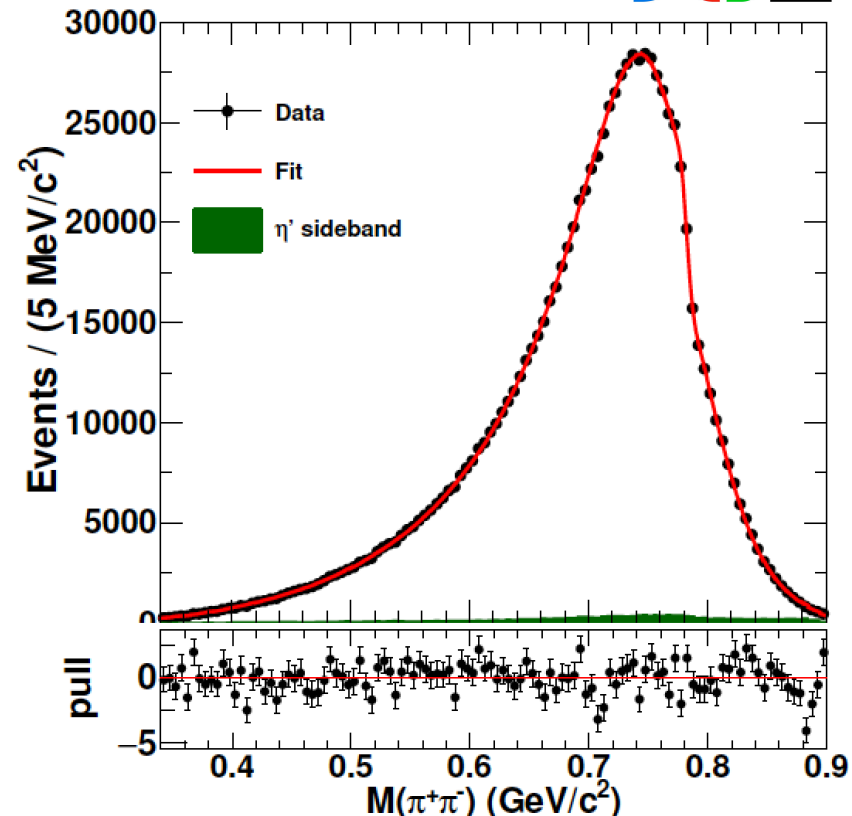
Omega contribution is definitely needed,
it seems a quadratic term as well

Precision data from BES III allows to
cross check different data sets for
vector form factor $F_V(s)$

Hanhart et al., EPJC (2017)

arxiv:1712.01525

BES III



Good fit obtained with this ansatz:
 $\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 145/109$

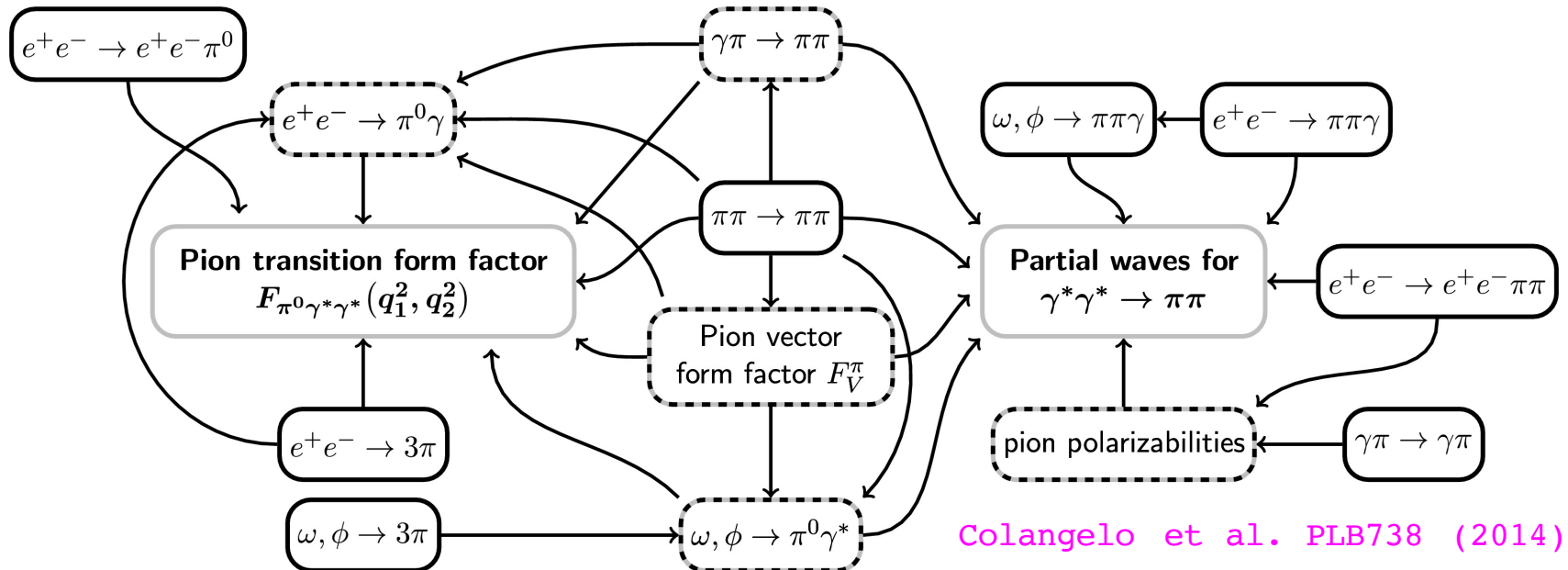
Radiative Decays of Light Mesons

Allowing for deep insights into dynamics of pseudoscalar mesons and treatment of spin;
Challenge hadronic models/theories



High quality data

Input to precision observables of the Standard Model of particle physics
 $(g-2)_\mu$



Colangelo et al. PLB738 (2014) 6