#### **Baryon form-factors** -- the view from the time-like side --



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# for B=p: JLAB & e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> are complementary

Crossing symmetry:

 $\langle N(p')|j^{\mu}|N(p)\rangle \rightarrow \langle \overline{N}(p')N(p)|j^{\mu}|0\rangle$ 



$$J^{\mu} = \langle N(p')|j^{\mu}|N(p)\rangle = e\overline{u}(p') \left[\gamma^{\mu}F_{1}(q^{2}) + \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_{\nu}}{2M}F_{2}(q^{2})\right]u(p)$$

Fermi & Dirac form factors

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow B\overline{B}$ 

-- formulae & definitions --

**Born cross section:** 

Sachs form factors  

$$G_E = F_1 + \frac{q^2}{4M^2}F_2$$
  
 $G_M = F_1 + F_2$   
 $G_{M}(0) = \mu_N$ 

time-like "Sachs" form-factors  

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

$$\tau = \frac{m_{B\overline{B}}^2}{4M_B^2} \quad \beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\tau}}$$

$$e^+e^- \leftrightarrow N\overline{N}, \Lambda \overline{\Lambda}, ...$$







"effective" form factor



integrated cross section:  $\sigma_{B\overline{B}}(m_{B\overline{B}}) = \frac{4\pi\alpha^{2}\beta C}{3m^{2}} \left[ \left| G_{M}(m_{B\overline{B}}) \right|^{2} + \frac{1}{2\tau} \left| G_{E}(m_{B\overline{B}}) \right|^{2} \right] = \frac{4\pi\alpha^{2}\beta C}{3m^{2}} \left| G_{eff}(m_{B\overline{B}}) \right|^{2} \left( 1 + 1/2\tau \right)$ "effective" form factor

effective form factor:  $|G_{eff}|^2 = \frac{|G_M|^2 + \frac{1}{2\tau}|G_E|^2}{1 + \frac{1}{2\tau}} \sigma_{B\overline{B}}(m_{B\overline{B}}) \Rightarrow |G_{eff}| = \left(\frac{3m_{B\overline{B}}^2}{\pi\alpha^2\beta C(1 + \frac{1}{2\tau})}\right)^2 \sqrt{\sigma_{B\overline{B}}}$ 



 $G_{M}(4M_{R}^{2}) = G_{F}(4M_{R}^{2}) \implies G_{off}(4M_{R}^{2}) = G_{M}(4M_{R}^{2})$ analyticity:

## $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ at threshold



## $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ at threshold



in point-like approx:

$$\sigma_{0} = \frac{\pi^{2} \alpha^{3}}{2M_{p}^{2}} \left| G_{eff} (2M_{p}) \right|^{2} \qquad \sigma \qquad p \overline{p}$$

$$\approx 0.85 \text{nb} \left| G_{eff} (2M_{p}) \right|^{2} \rightarrow \qquad m_{p \overline{p}} - 2M_{p}$$



#### BaBar: produce boosted pp pairs via isr

large angle initial state radiation (isr):



#### $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ data near threshold via isr

large-angle initial state radiation



#### CMD3: Detect $\bar{p}$ annihilations in beam pipe



# CMD3: $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ at $E_{cm}=2m_p$ threshold

-- fast cross section jump at threshold:  $\sigma_{th}$  <1 MeV --



# "excellent" FSI fit, pre-CMD3 data

fails to get the rapid jump in cross section seen by CMD3



J. Haidenbauer, X.-W. Kang and U.-G. Meißner, Nucl. Phys. A 929, 102 (2014).



#### look at other channels





# $3(\pi^+\pi^-)$ & K<sup>+</sup>K<sup>-</sup> $\pi^+\pi^-$ important for q<sup>2</sup><4m<sub>p</sub><sup>2</sup>



# remarks





#### What about other baryons?

# $e^+e^- \rightarrow n\bar{n}$ (or $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$ ) at threshold

Integrated cross section:

$$\sigma_{p\bar{p}} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2\beta C}{3m^2} \left| G_{eff}(m_{p\bar{p}}) \right|^2 \left( 1 + 1/2\tau \right)$$

no Rydberg states (Bohr-levels) for  $n\overline{n}$  ( $\Lambda\overline{\Lambda}$ ): *C*=1 in point-like approx:



#### SND: $e^+e^- \rightarrow n\bar{n}$ at threshold



# indications of $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow n\overline{n})$ jump at $E_{cm}=2m_n$



expecting new SND, CMD3, & BESIII data soon

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}$$

Electrically neutral 
$$\rightarrow$$
 no Ryberg states  
- no Coulomb enhancement  $\sigma \propto \beta$   
no "jump" expected  
 $m_{\Lambda T}$ -2M<sub>A</sub>

Isospin singlet,  $\pi$ -exchange not allowed -  $\Lambda$ - $\overline{\Lambda}$  molecule is unlikely

# BESIII: $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda \overline{\Lambda}) @ E_{cm} = 2m_{\Lambda}$



#### **BESIII** sees events like this





# BESIII $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda \overline{\Lambda}$ measurements



	$\sqrt{s}$	$\mathcal{L}_{ ext{int}}$	$N_{\rm obs}$	$\epsilon(1+\delta)$	$\sigma^{ m B}$	G
	(GeV)	$(pb^{-1})$		(%)	(pb)	$(\times 10^{-2})$
	$2.2324_{1}$	2.63	$43\pm7$	12.9	$312 \pm 51^{+72}_{-45}$	_ Λ→π⁻p & π⁰n modes
	$2.2324_{2}$	2.63	$22\pm 6$	8.25	$288 \pm 96^{+64}_{-36}$	are consistent
	$2.2324_{c}$				$305 \pm 45^{+66}_{-36}$	$61.9 \pm 4.6 \substack{+18.1 \\ -9.0}$
conventional analyses	2.400	3.42	$45\pm7$	25.3	$128\pm19\pm18$	$12.7 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.9$
at higher energies	2.800	3.75	$8\pm3$	36.1	$14.8 \pm 5.2 \pm 1.9$	$4.10 \pm 0.72 \pm 0.26$
at higher energies	3.080	30.73	$13 \pm 4$	24.5	$4.2\pm1.2\pm0.5$	$2.29 \pm 0.33 \pm 0.14$

# $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda})$ at $E_{cm} \approx 2m_{\Lambda}$ threshold

$$\sigma_{\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}}(m) = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2\beta}{3m^2} |G_{eff}(m)|^2 (1+1/2\tau)$$



 $|G_{eff}(2m_{\Lambda})| \rightarrow 1 ??$ 



 $|G_{eff}(2m_{\Lambda})| \rightarrow 1 ??$  $2m_{\Lambda}$ β≈0.03 BaBar BESIII 0.6 0.5 Haidenbauer & Meissner PLB 761,456 (2017): "The only possibility could be a very narrow resonance sitting more or less directly at the threshold ... " 0.3 0.2 0.1 0.0<sup>E</sup> 2.2 2.3 2.5 2.4

 $\sqrt{s}$  (GeV)

### $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda \overline{\Lambda}$ very different from $p\overline{p} \rightarrow \Lambda \overline{\Lambda}$



# Hint of $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^- K^+K^-)$ peak @ $2m_{\Lambda}$

-- seen by both BaBar and BESIII --



$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \Lambda_c^-$$





 $Λ_c$  is an Isospin singlet, no π-exchange  $Λ_c$ - $Λ_c$  moleculelike states expected

# $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \Lambda_c^-) @$ threshold



 $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \Lambda_c^-) @$  threshold



# baryonium?

-- sub-threshold BB QCD S-wave bound states --



#### a O<sup>-+</sup> pp̄ bound state is well established



# $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma p \bar{p}$ at BESIII (PWA)



## "protononium:" a pp bound state?



# X(1835)→ $\pi^+\pi^-\eta'$ with 58M J/ $\psi$ decays (BESII)



# X(1835)→ $\pi^+\pi^-\eta'$ with 1.1B J/ $\psi$ events (BESIII)

 $J/\psi \to \gamma \pi^+ \pi^- \eta'$ 



#### Flatté formula fit:



#### summary

Cross section threshold jumps see for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow B\overline{B}$ 

- -- both for charged ( $p\overline{p} \& \Lambda_c \overline{\Lambda}_c$ ) and neutral ( $n\overline{n} \& \Lambda \overline{\Lambda}$ ) pairs
- -- jump times < 1 ns (faster than phase space)
- -- consistent with expectations for pointlike, charged particles
- -- above threshold behavior is decidedly non-pointlike

Accompanying structures seen in other channels

- -- dips in  $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow 3(\pi^+\pi^-) \& K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-)$  at  $E_{cm}=2m_p$  (but not  $2(\pi^+\pi^-)$ )
- -- peak in e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> $\rightarrow \phi$  K<sup>+</sup>K<sup>-</sup> at E<sub>cm</sub>=2m<sub> $\Lambda$ </sub>

A subthreshold  $0^{-+} p\overline{p}$  state seen in  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma p\overline{p}$ -- associated structure seen in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- \eta'$ 

More results expected soon

--  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Sigma \overline{\Sigma}$  and  $\Xi \overline{\Xi}$  at threshold from BESIII

--more  $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\overline{p}$  and  $n\overline{n}$  from CMDS, SND & BESIII

# There is lots still to be learned about the "well known" stable baryons