

Study of the $p\bar{p} \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi^0$ process in the unphysical region with PANDARoot

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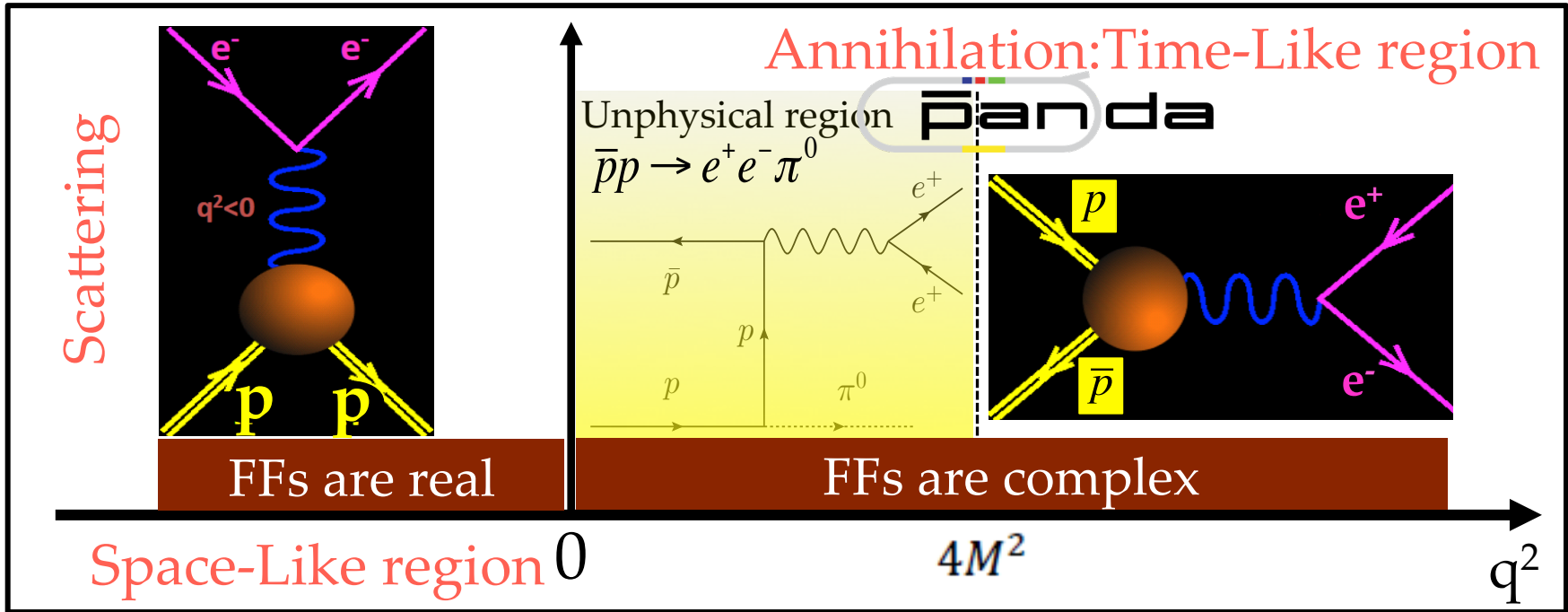
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Outline

- Theoretical description of the signal differential cross section within the one nucleon exchange model
- Determination of statistical errors on the proton form factors in the unphysical region assuming **100% signal efficiency and acceptance**
- Results within PANDARoot

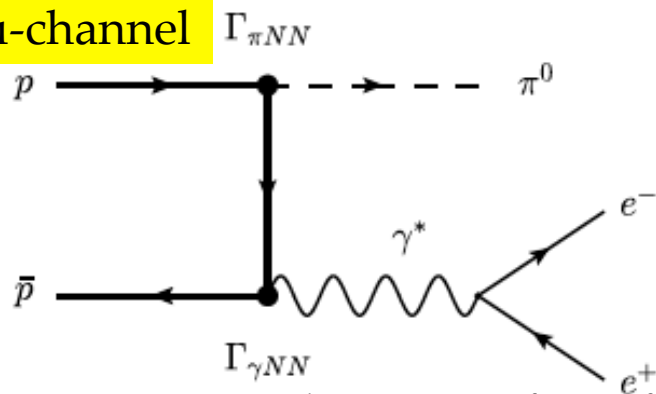
Electromagnetic Form Factors of the Proton



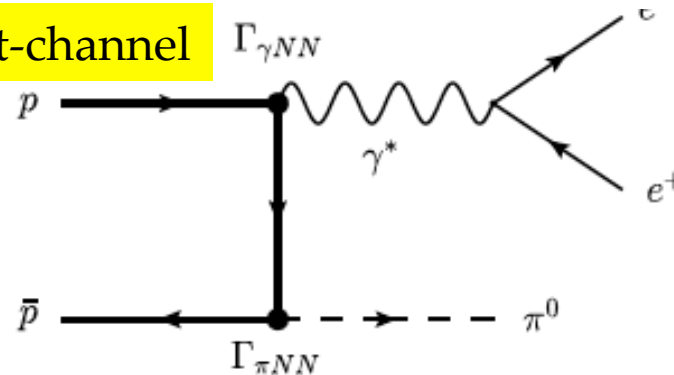
- **Electric G_E and magnetic G_M proton FFs** are analytical functions of the momentum transfer squared q^2
- Dispersion relations connect space-like and time-like form factors
- No experimental data in the unphysical region

Feynman diagrams for the process $p\bar{p} \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi^0$

u-channel



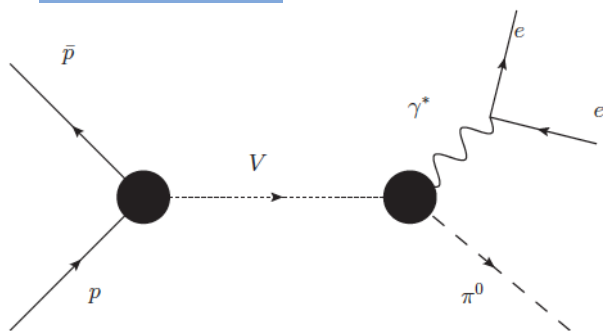
t-channel



Give access to the proton form factors in the unphysical region
 Dominates at backward pion angles $|u|, |t| \ll s$

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- A.Z. Dubnickova, S. Dubnicka, M.P. Rekalov, Z. Phys. C 70, 473–481 (1996)
- G. I. Gakh et al. PHYSICAL REVIEW C 83, 025202 (2011)
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- J. Guttmann, M. Vanderhaeghen, PLB B 719 (2013) 136–142

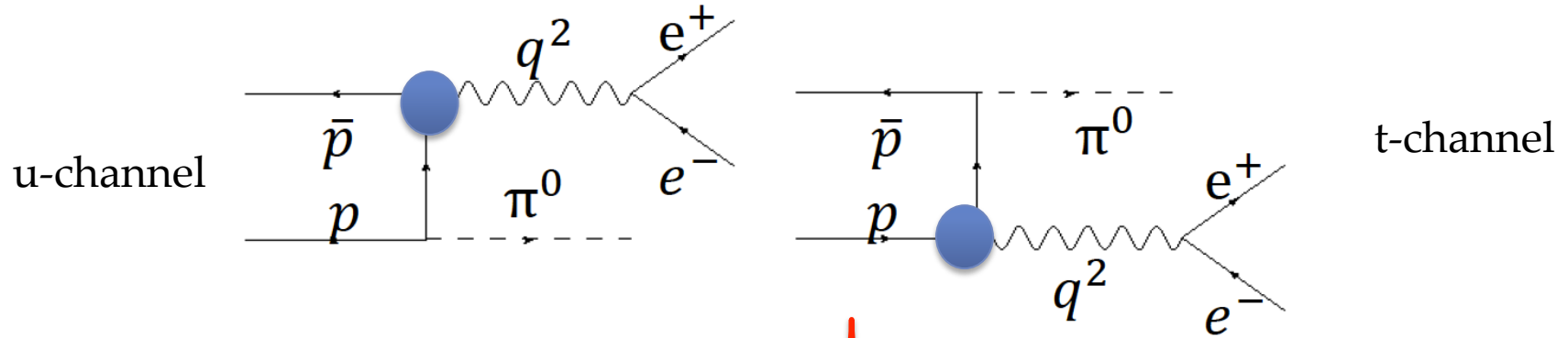
s-channel



- Expected to play a role at moderate values of \sqrt{s} , when the pion is emitted around 90° in the center of mass.
- Forward and backward region: suppressed by the phase volume factor $|t|/s$ or $|u|/s$.

E. A. Kuraev et al., J.Exp.Theor.Phys. 115 (2012) 93-104

Differential cross section in one nucleon exchange model



$$M_t = \frac{1}{q^2} L_\mu \bar{v}(p_{\bar{p}}) \underbrace{\Gamma_{\pi NN} \left(\frac{\gamma \cdot (p_\pi - p_{\bar{p}}) + M}{t - M^2} \right)}_{\text{Hadronic current } H^\mu} \Gamma_{\gamma NN}^\mu(q) u(p_p)$$

Proton-photon vertex:

$$\Gamma_{\gamma NN}^\mu(q) = e \left[F_1(q^2) \gamma^\mu - \frac{i}{2M} F_2(q^2) \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu \right]$$

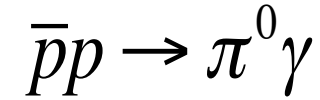
Nucleon propagator

Pion-nucleon (Pseudoscalar, pseudovector) coupling:

$$\Gamma_{\pi NN}(q_\pi) = g_{\pi NN} \left[\gamma_5, \gamma_5 \not{p}_\pi \gamma^\alpha \right]$$

Differential cross section in one nucleon exchange model

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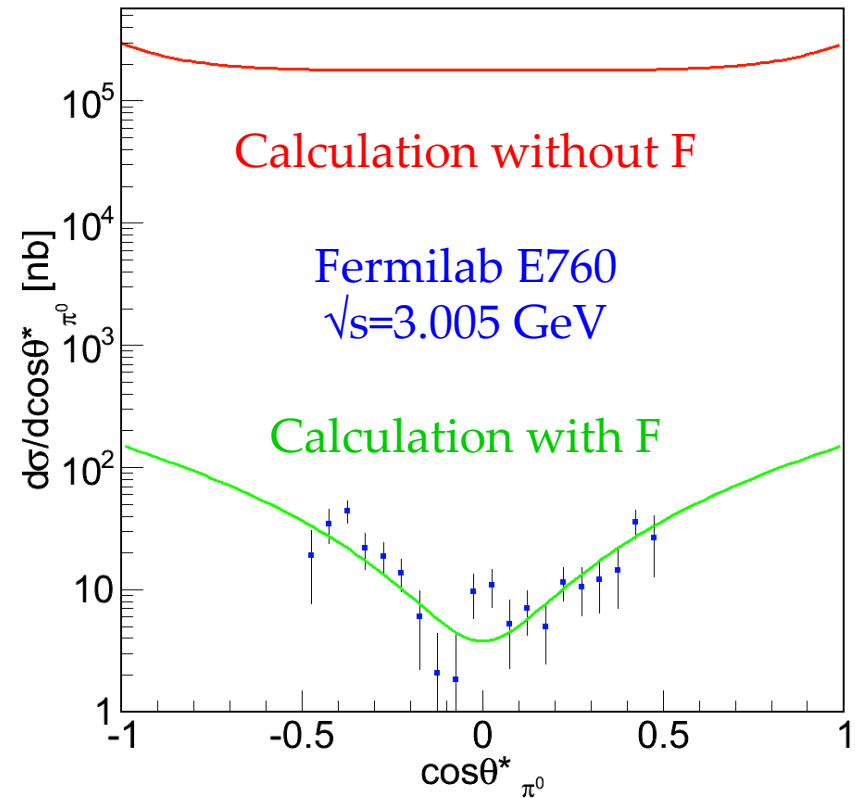


Modified nucleon propagator:

$$t\text{-channel: } \frac{1}{t - M^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{t - M^2} \cdot F$$

$$u\text{-channel: } \frac{1}{u - M^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{u - M^2} \cdot F$$

$$F = \left[\frac{\lambda^2 - M^2}{\lambda^2 - t} \right] \left[\frac{\lambda^2 - M^2}{\lambda^2 - u} \right]$$



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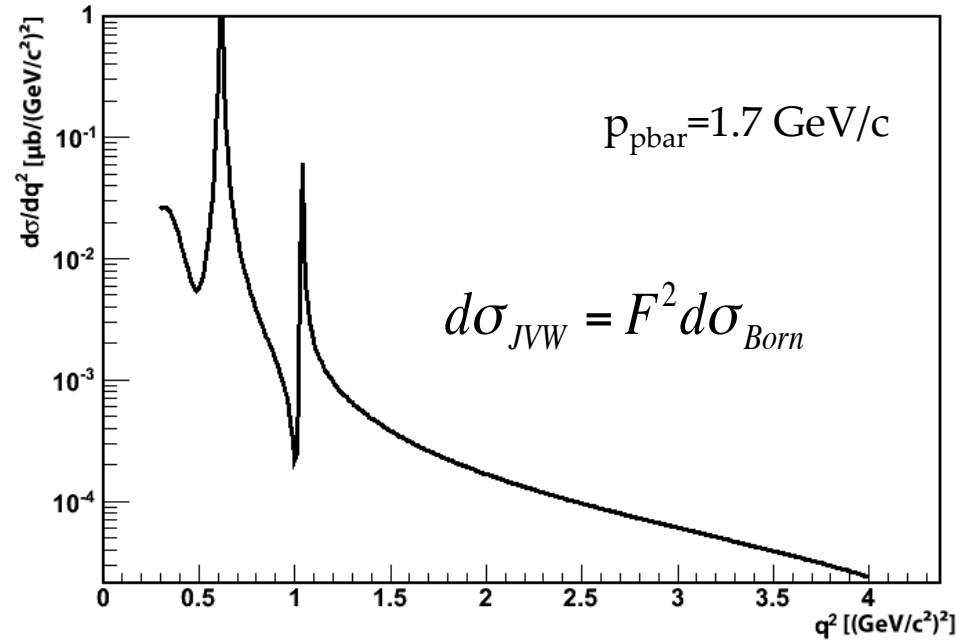
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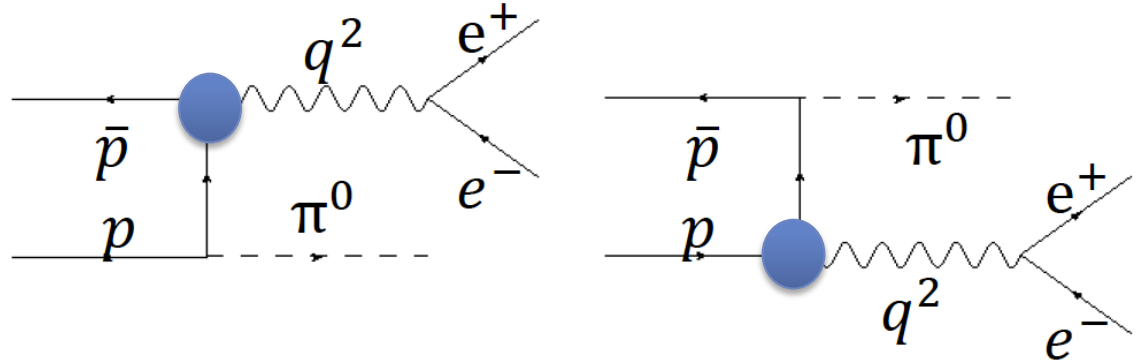
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Differential cross section in one nucleon exchange model

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_{\pi^0} d\Omega_e^*} \propto L^{\mu\nu} H_{\mu\nu}$$

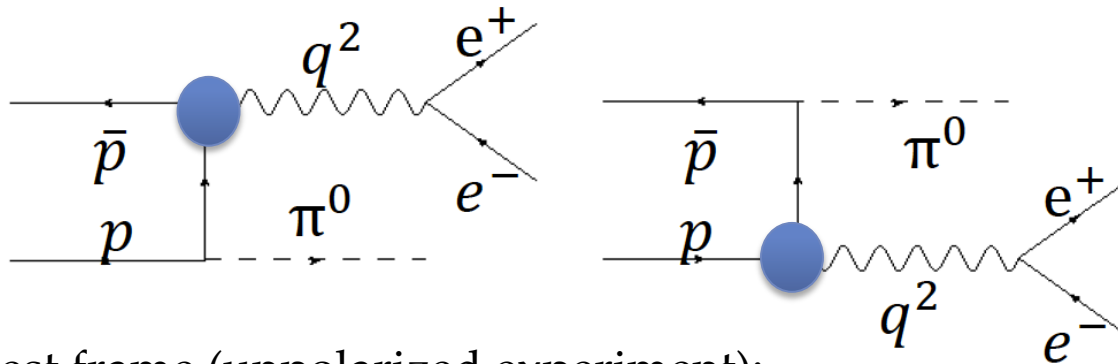


- 3 body final state: differential cross section is described by 5 independent kinematic variables (one choice: $s, q^2, \theta_{\pi^0}, \theta_e^*, \varphi_e^*$)
 - θ_{π^0} in the laboratory frame
 - θ_e^*, φ_e^* in the virtual photon rest frame (*)

$L_{\mu\nu}$: leptonic tensors describing the $\gamma^* \rightarrow e^+e^-$ process

$H_{\mu\nu}$: hadronic tensors describes pion-nucleon coupling, nucleon propagator (corrected to fit the $\pi^0\gamma$ data from Fermilab) and **contains the information on G_E and G_M**

Differential cross section in one nucleon exchange model



- In the γ^* rest frame (unpolarized experiment):

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_{\pi^0} d\Omega_e^*} = 4\pi e^2 q^2 (H_{11} + H_{22} + H_{33}) - 8e^2 p_e^{*2} \left(\frac{H_{11} + H_{22}}{2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{H_{11} - H_{22}}{2} \sin^2 \theta_e^* \cos 2\varphi_e^* + 2H_{13} \sin \theta_e^* \cos \theta_e^* \cos \varphi_e^* + \frac{1}{2} (2H_{33} - H_{11} - H_{22}) \cos^2 \theta_e^* \right)$$

- The polar and azimuthal angular distributions of e^+/e^- (θ_e^* , φ_e^*) gives access to 4 $H_{\mu\nu}$ (H_{11} , H_{22} , H_{33} , H_{13})

$$H_{\mu\nu} = |G_M|^2 \left[\alpha_{\mu\nu} R^2 + \beta_{\mu\nu} + \gamma_{\mu\nu} R \cos(\phi_E - \phi_M) \right], R = |G_E| / |G_M|$$

- $\alpha_{\mu\nu}$, $\beta_{\mu\nu}$, $\gamma_{\mu\nu}$ depend on s , q^2 and θ_{π^0}

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Determination of the proton form factors

- For one value of s , and fixing the q^2 and θ_{π^0} intervals:

➤ Extract the proton form factors directly from the 2D distribution:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega_e^*} = \int_{\Delta q^2} \int_{\Delta \theta_{\pi^0}} \frac{d\sigma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_{\pi^0} d\Omega_e^*} dq^2 d\cos\theta_{\pi^0}$$

- Integration over one variable (to avoid low statistics bins):

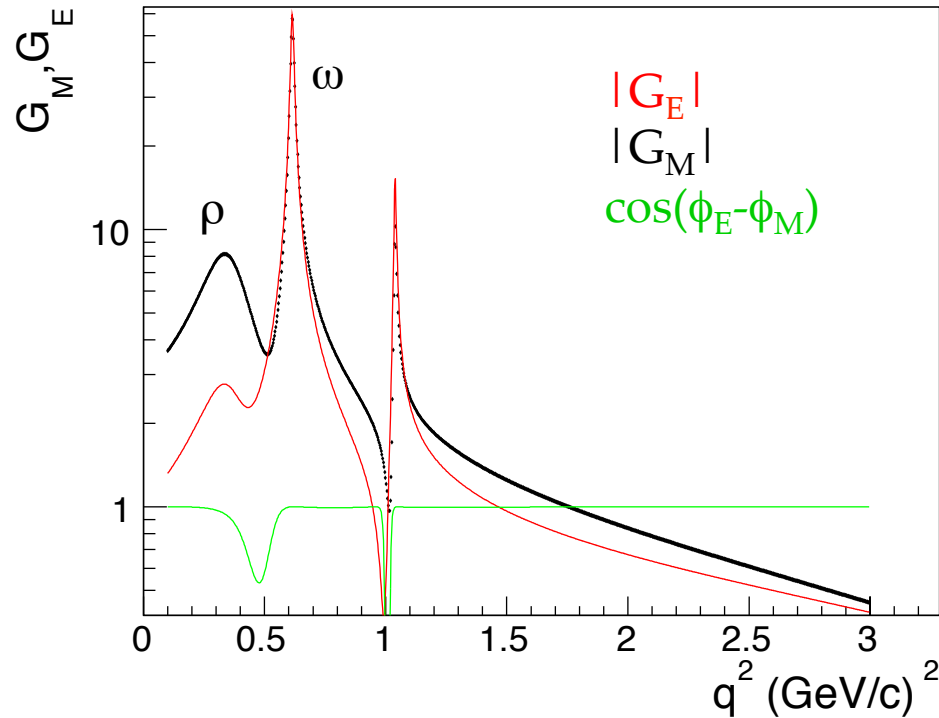
$$\frac{dN_1}{d\cos\theta_e^*} = L \int_{\Delta q^2} \int_{\Delta \theta_{\pi^0}} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_{\pi^0} d\Omega_e^*} dq^2 d\cos\theta_{\pi^0} d\varphi_e^* = A(1 + B \cos^2 \theta_e^*)$$

$$\frac{dN_2}{d\varphi_e^*} = L \int_{\Delta q^2} \int_{\Delta \theta_{\pi^0}} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{d\sigma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_{\pi^0} d\Omega_e^*} dq^2 d\cos\theta_{\pi^0} d\cos\theta_e^* = C(1 + D \cos 2\varphi_e^*)$$

$$\frac{dN_3}{d\varphi_e^*} = L \int_{\Delta q^2} \int_{\Delta \theta_{\pi^0}} \int_0^1 \frac{d\sigma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_{\pi^0} d\Omega_e^*} dq^2 d\cos\theta_{\pi^0} d\cos\theta_e^* = E(1 + F \cos 2\varphi_e^* + G \cos \varphi_e^*)$$

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Time-like proton form factors (VMD model)



Vector Meson Dominance (VMD)
F. Iachello, PRC 69, 055204 (2004)

$$q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.005 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$$

$$R = 1.066, \cos(\phi_E - \phi_M) = 0.998 \text{ (4}^\circ\text{)}$$

$$q^2 = 2 \pm 0.125 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$$

$$R = 0.802, \cos(\phi_E - \phi_M) = 0.999 \text{ (3}^\circ\text{)}$$

2 fb⁻¹

s=5.4 GeV ²	q ² =0.605±0.005 (GeV/c ²) ²	q ² = 2±0.125 (GeV/c ²) ²
10° < θ _{π0} < 30°	2.91271 · 10 ⁶	18441
30° < θ _{π0} < 50°	2.47392 · 10 ⁶	17379
90° < θ _{π0} < 100°	1.40351 · 10 ⁶	9362
120° < θ _{π0} < 140°	840234	4989
140° < θ _{π0} < 160°	517112	2954

Determination of the proton form factors

For each interval of q^2 and θ_{π^0} :

1. Calculate the theoretical number of counts $N^{\text{th}}[i,j]$ in each bin of the 2D-distribution (θ_e^* , φ_e^*)
2. Calculate the number of reconstructed events $N^{\text{rec}}[i,j]$ taking into account signal efficiency
3. Calculate the number of observed events $N^{\text{obs}}[i,j]$ taking into account statistical fluctuations by generating a random number in each bin of the 2D-distribution (Poisson distribution with mean $N^{\text{rec}}[i,j]$)

4. Correct the observed events by the signal efficiency: $N^{\text{cor}}[i,j]$

5. Projections to obtain the three 1D-distributions:

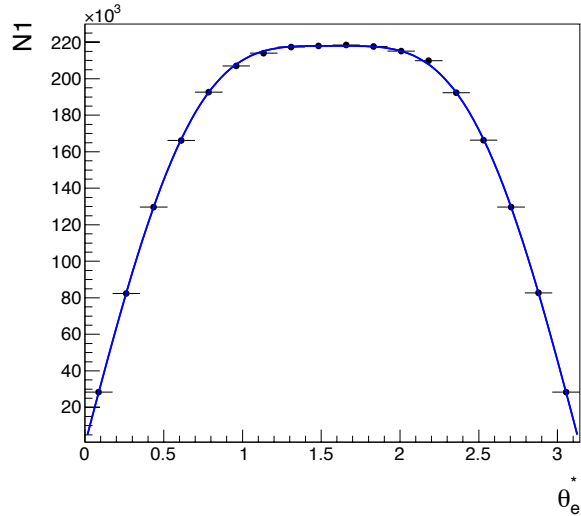
$$N_1 = \sum_{j=0}^{j < N_j} N^{\text{cor}}[i, j], N_2 = \sum_{i=0}^{i < N_i} N^{\text{cor}}[i, j], N_3 = \sum_{i=0}^{i < N_i/2} N^{\text{cor}}[i, j]$$

6. Extract the proton form factors by fitting the three 1D-distributions

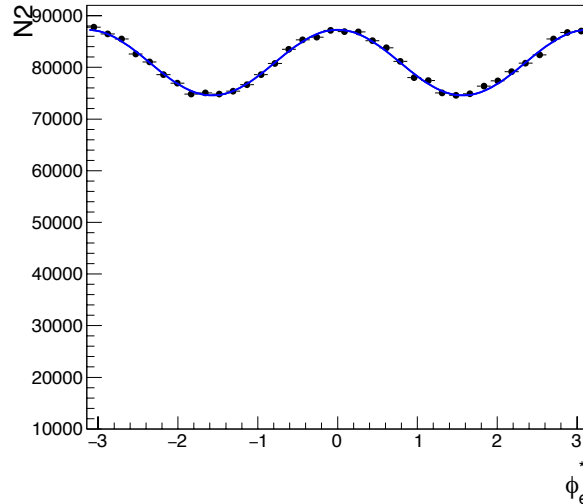
7. Error estimation of the proton FFs by generating ~100 histograms using $N^{\text{obs}}[i,j]$ as input for random generation

Determination of the proton form factors

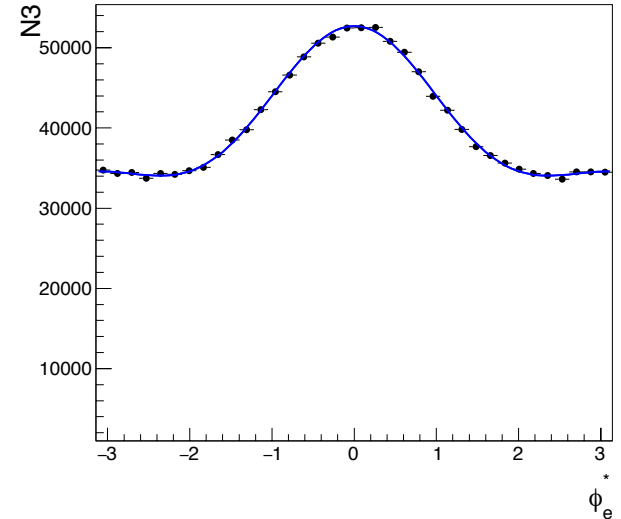
- $q^2=0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$, $\theta_{\pi 0}=[10^\circ-30^\circ]$, **100% signal efficiency** ($N^{\text{th}}=2.9 \cdot 10^6$)



$$\frac{dN_1}{d \cos \theta_e^*} = A(1 + B \cos^2 \theta_e^*)$$



$$\frac{dN_2}{d\varphi_e^*} = C(1 + D \cos 2\varphi_e^*)$$



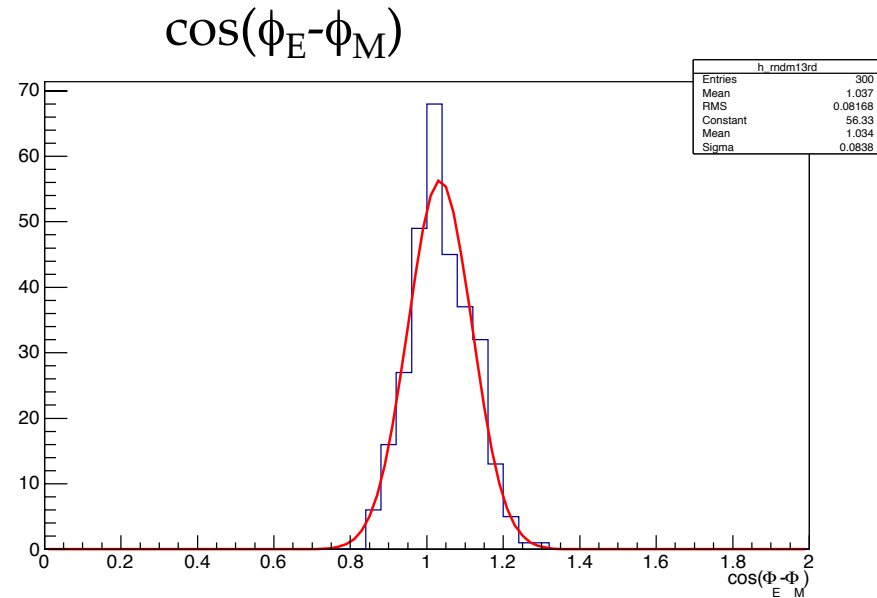
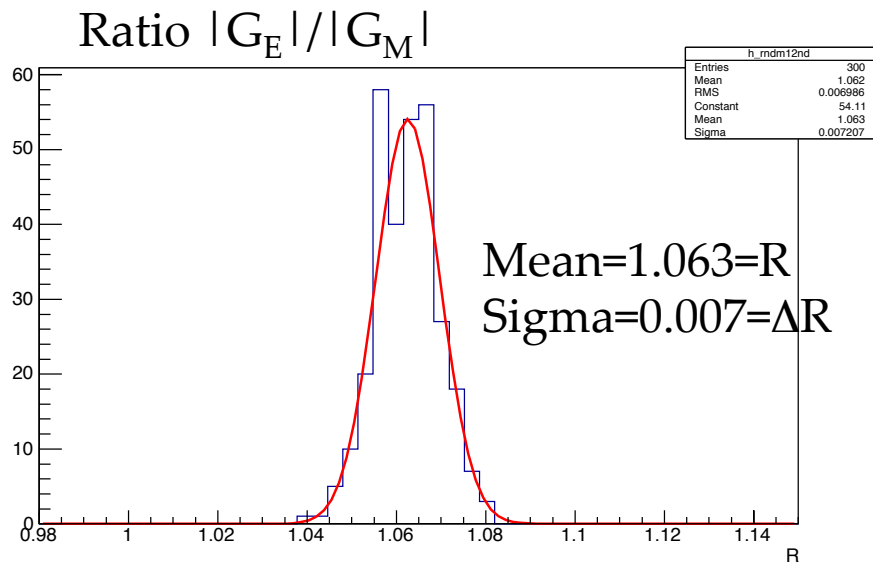
$$\frac{dN_3}{d\varphi_e^*} = E(1 + F \cos 2\varphi_e^* + G \cos \varphi_e^*)$$

A, B, C, D, E, F, G are functions of the proton form factors

	R	$\cos(\phi_E - \phi_M)$
Theoretical values	1.066	0.998
Fit results (one simulation)	1.067 ± 0.006	1.040 ± 0.085

Determination of the proton form factors

- $q^2=0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$, $\theta_{\pi^0}=[10^\circ-30^\circ]$, **100% signal efficiency** ($N^{\text{th}}=2.9 \cdot 10^6$)



	R	$\cos(\phi_E-\phi_M)$
Theoretical values	1.066	0.998
Fit results (500 simulations)	1.063 ± 0.007	1.034 ± 0.084

Determination of the proton form factors

- $q^2=0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$, **100% signal efficiency**

R	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Events N th	$2.9 \cdot 10^6$	$2.5 \cdot 10^6$	$1.4 \cdot 10^6$	840234	517112
Theoretical values	1.066	1.066	1.066	1.066	1.066
Fit results (this work)	1.063 ± 0.007 (0.7%)	1.065 ± 0.004 (0.4%)	1.052 ± 0.007 (0.6%)	1.024 ± 0.022 (2.1%)	1.068 ± 0.070 (6.4%)

$\cos(\phi_E - \phi_M)$	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Theoretical values	0.998	0.998	0.998	0.998	0.998
Fit results (this work)	1.034 ± 0.084 (8%)	1.086 ± 0.063 (6%)	0.956 ± 0.058 (6%)	0.665 ± 0.129 (19%)	X

Determination of the proton form factors

- $q^2 = 2 \pm 0.125 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$, **100% signal efficiency**

R	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Events N th	18441	17379	9362	4989	2954
Theoretical values	0.802	0.802	0.802	0.802	0.802
Fit results (this work)	0.802 ± 0.026 (3%)	0.809 ± 0.017 (2%)	0.785 ± 0.028 (3.5%)	0.761 ± 0.075 (10%)	X

$\cos(\phi_E - \phi_M)$	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Theoretical values	0.999	0.999	0.999	0.999	0.999
Fit results (this work)	1.006 ± 0.082 (8%)	0.905 ± 0.076 (8.5%)	0.904 ± 0.090 (10%)	0.929 ± 0.244 (28%)	X

Feasibility studies with PANDARoot



Description of the Monte Carlo simulations

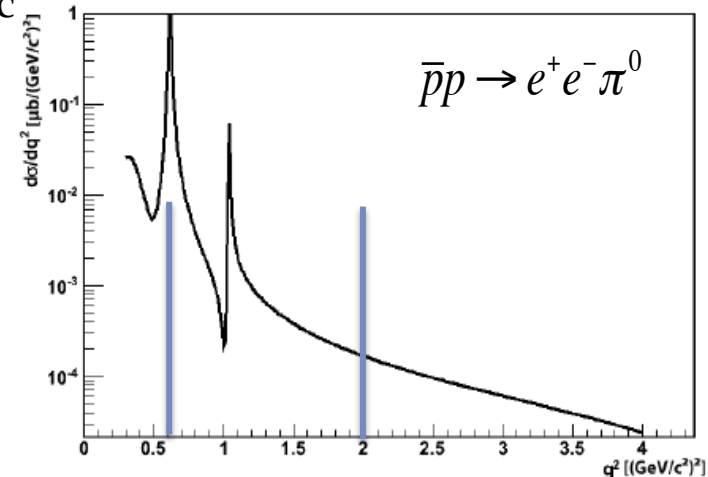
Monte Carlo Simulation Studies:

Background suppression versus signal efficiency

$$\text{Signal } \bar{p}p \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi^0$$

$$\text{Background } \bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$$

- PANDARoot version **oct19**, FairSoft **jun19p1**, FairRoot **v18.2**
- Simulation macros from master directory
- **Event generation**
 - Antiproton momentum (lab) $p_{\text{pbar}}=1.7 \text{ GeV}/c$
 - $q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV}/c^2)^2$: $M_{\text{inv}}=[0.77-0.79] \text{ GeV}/c$
 - $q^2 = 2.0 \pm 0.375 \text{ (GeV}/c^2)^2$: $M_{\text{inv}}=[1.27-1.54] \text{ GeV}/c$
 - PHSP angular distributions, PHOTOS switched on
 - $5 \cdot 10^7$ events for the signal in each q^2 interval
 - 10^8 events for the background in each q^2 interval
- **Reconstruction and particle identification**
 - Kalman Filter with muon hypothesis
 - PID Correlator with pion hypothesis



Signal and background cross sections

- $P=1.7 \text{ GeV}/c$

- $q^2=0.6 \text{ (GeV}^2/c^2\text{)}, M_{\text{inv}}=0.78 \text{ GeV}/c$

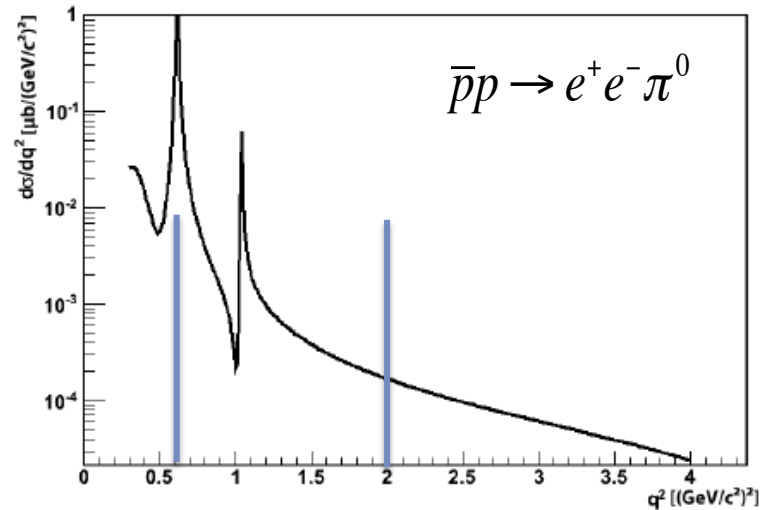
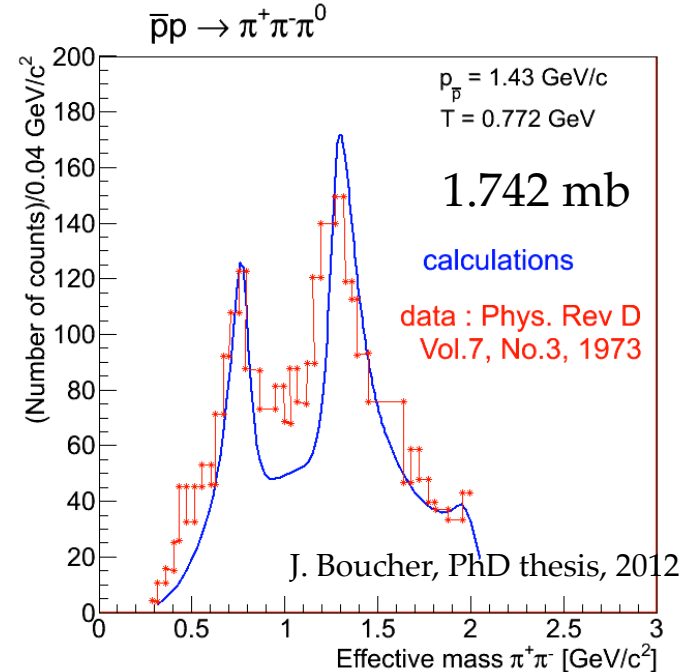
$$\frac{\sigma(\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0)}{\sigma(\bar{p}p \rightarrow e^+ e^- \pi^0)} \sim 10^3 - 10^4$$

- **Background rejection $\sim 10^{-6}$ - 10^{-7} is needed for a signal pollution $< 1\%$**

- $q^2=2 \text{ (GeV}^2/c^2\text{)}, M_{\text{inv}}=1.4 \text{ GeV}/c$

$$\frac{\sigma(\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0)}{\sigma(\bar{p}p \rightarrow e^+ e^- \pi^0)} \sim 10^6 - 10^7$$

- **Background rejection $< 10^{-8}$ is needed for a signal pollution at few percent level**



Event Selection

$$\bar{p}p \rightarrow e^+ e^- \pi^0$$

I. Charged track selection (related to the background suppression)

- a) Events with only **two charged tracks** are selected
- b) PID probability for the detected particle to be identified as e+/e- larger than **99% or 99.8% (EMC+STT+MVD+DRC)**
- c) EMC deposit energy over the tracking momentum **$E_{\text{EMC}}/p > 0.8$**
- d) Energy loss in the STT **$dE/dx(\text{STT}) > 5.8$**

II. Pion reconstruction (RN-QCD-2018-002)

- At least two photons/event with **EMC raw energy > 15 MeV**
- Pion mass cut: **$M_{\pi^0} - 0.05 < M_{\gamma\gamma} < M_{\pi^0} + 0.05$ (GeV/c²)**
- Mass constraint fit to the nominal π^0 mass : **Prob. > 10⁻³**. In case of more than one reconstructed pion/event, the pair ($\gamma\gamma$) of higher fit probability is selected.

III. Events selection

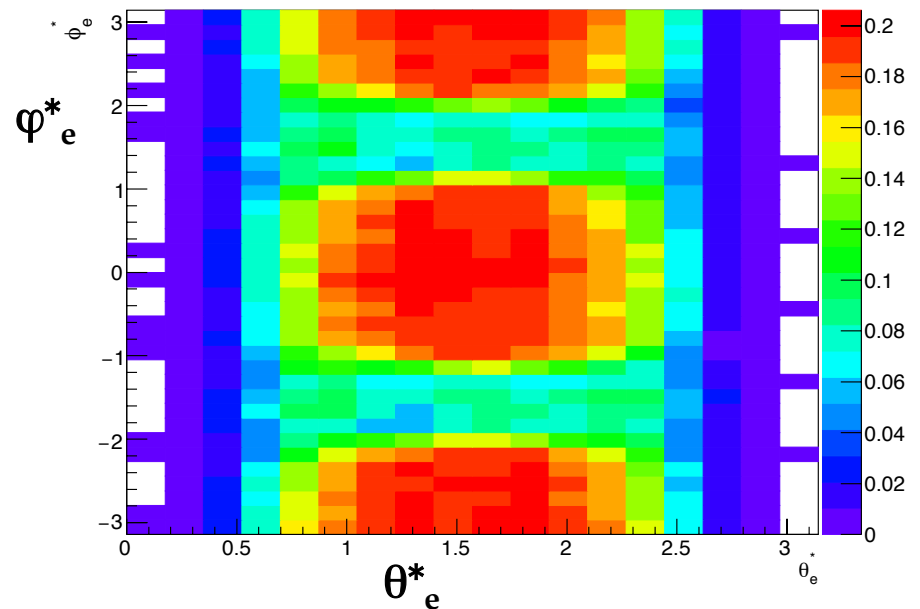
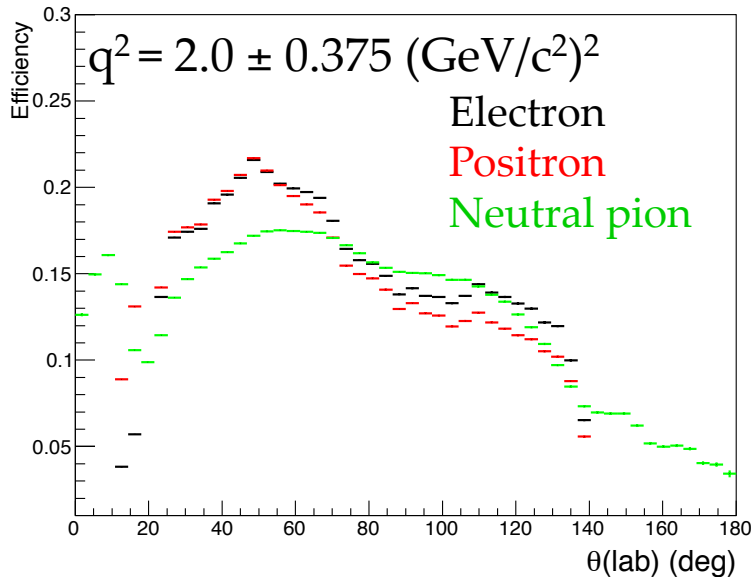
- 4C fit is applied to the reconstructed three particles (**$\chi^2 < 50$ or $\chi^2 < 30$**)

Signal and background Efficiencies

$q^2=0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$			$q^2=2.0 \pm 0.375 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$		
Sequential eff.	Signal	background		Signal	Background
Reconstruction	65%	63 %	Reconstruction	69 %	68%
PID (Prob.>99%, $E_{EMC}/p, dE/dx$)	22%	$4 \cdot 10^{-5}$	PID (Prob.>99.8%, $E_{EMC}/p, dE/dx$)	30%	$2 \cdot 10^{-5}$
pi0 Rec.	16%	$7 \cdot 10^{-6}$	pi0 Rec.	19%	$9 \cdot 10^{-6}$
4C-fit ($\chi^2_{4C}<50$)	13%	$2 \cdot 10^{-7}$	4C-fit ($\chi^2_{4C}<30$)	15%	$<10^{-8}$

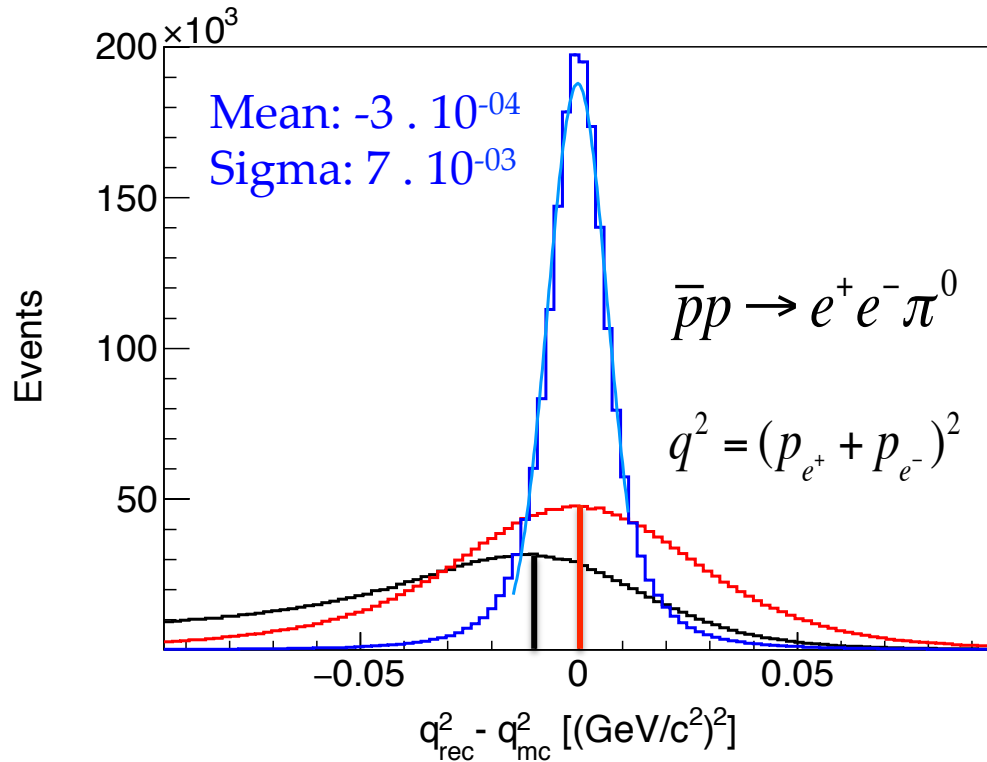
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Invariant mass squared of the selected e^+e^-

- $q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$



“Before Bremsstrahlung correction,
without 4C kinematic fit”

“After Bremsstrahlung correction
without 4C kinematic fit”

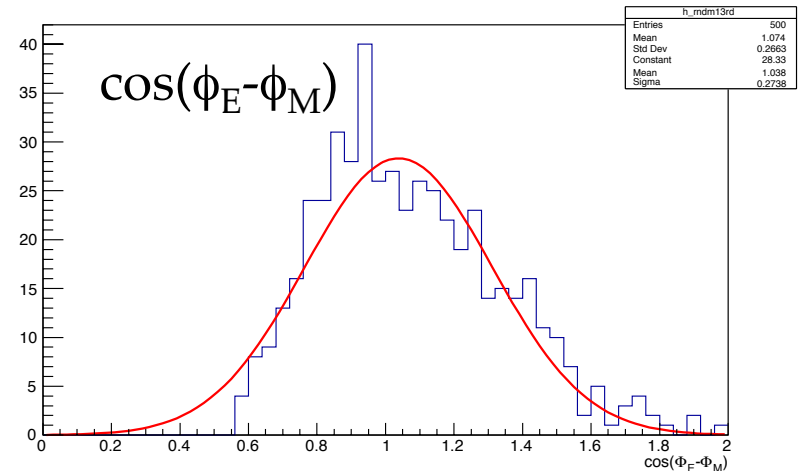
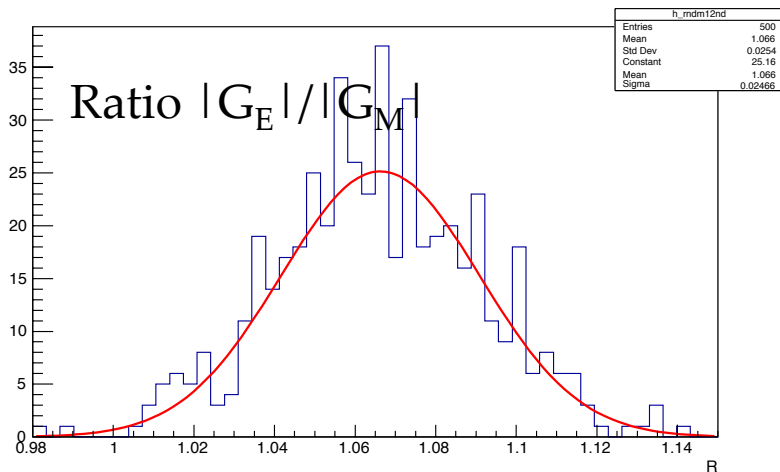
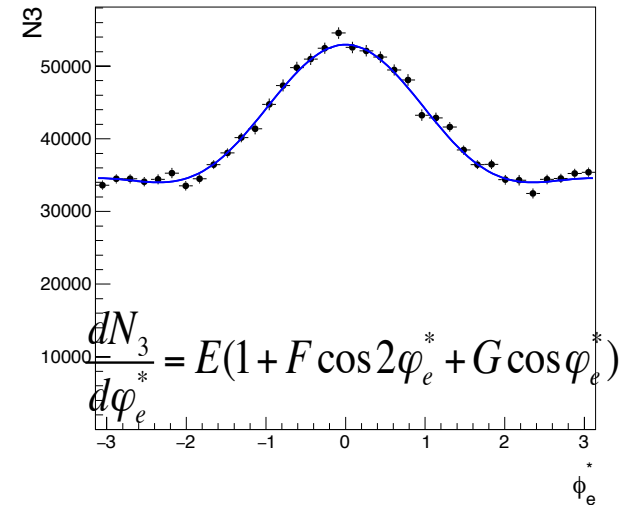
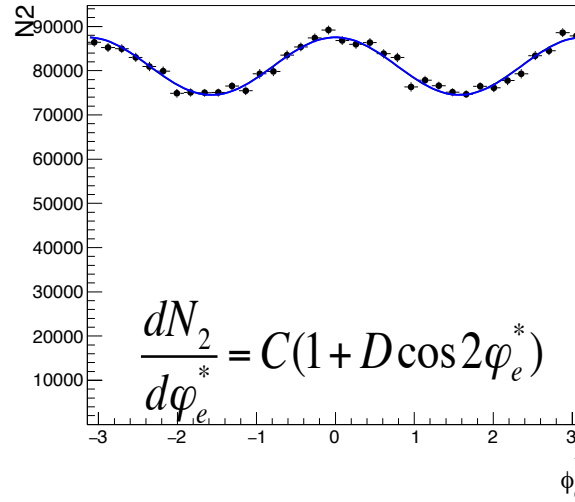
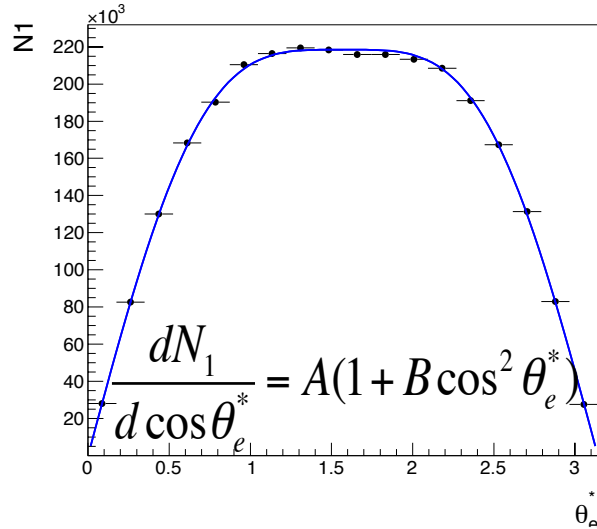
(Methode described in:
E. ATOMSSA TN-STT-2015-001)

“After Bremsstrahlung correction
with 4C kinematic fit”

Measurement of the proton FFs in small intervals of q^2 (in the unphysical region) is possible at PANDA

Determination of the proton form factors

- $q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$, $\theta_{\pi 0} = [10^\circ - 30^\circ]$,



Determination of the proton form factors (Results)

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Theoretical values	1.066	1.066	1.066	1.066	1.066
Fit results (100% signal efficiency)	1.063 ± 0.007 (0.7%)	1.065 ± 0.004 (0.4%)	1.052 ± 0.007 (0.6%)	1.024 ± 0.022 (2.1%)	1.068 ± 0.070 (6.4%)
Fit results (PANDARoot)	1.061 ± 0.029 (2.7%)	1.059 ± 0.009 (0.8%)	1.072 ± 0.018 (1.6%)	1.171 ± 0.672 (57%)	X

$\cos(\phi_E - \phi_M)$	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Theoretical values	0.998	0.998	0.998	0.998	0.998
Fit results (100% signal efficiency)	1.034 ± 0.084 (8%)	1.086 ± 0.063 (6%)	0.956 ± 0.058 (6%)	0.665 ± 0.129 (19%)	X
Fit results (PANDARoot)	1.302 ± 0.334 (26%)	1.156 ± 0.131 (11%)	0.785 ± 0.138 (18%)	X	X

Determination of the proton form factors (Results)

- $q^2 = 2 \pm 0.125 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$

R	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Theoretical values	0.802	0.802	0.802	0.802	0.802
Fit results (100% signal efficiency)	0.802 ± 0.026 (3%)	0.809 ± 0.017 (2%)	0.785 ± 0.028 (3.5%)	0.761 ± 0.075 (10%)	X
Fit results (PANDARoot)	0.638 ± 0.099 (16%)	0.745 ± 0.041 (5%)	0.628 ± 0.068 (11%)	0.656 ± 0.165 (25%)	X

$\cos(\phi_E - \phi_M)$	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Theoretical values	0.999	0.999	0.999	0.999	0.999
Fit results (100% signal efficiency)	1.006 ± 0.082 (8%)	0.905 ± 0.076 (8.5%)	0.904 ± 0.090 (10%)	0.929 ± 0.244 (28%)	X
Fit results (PANDARoot)	1.179 ± 0.343 (29%)	1.576 ± 0.210 (13%)	0.556 ± 0.302 (54%)	X	X

Summary

- The process $\text{ppbar} \rightarrow \text{e}^+ \text{e}^- \pi^0$ is considered within the one nucleon exchange model in t- and u-channels
 - to access the proton form factors in the unphysical region
- Monte Carlo simulations for signal and background processes are performed with PANDARoot. The results show that
 - Background can be sufficiently suppressed
 - The proton form factor ratio and the relative phase term $\cos(\phi_E - \phi_M)$ can be determined in different intervals of q^2 and θ_{π^0} with good precisions
- Next step: investigation of the $\text{ppbar} \rightarrow \text{e}^+ \text{e}^- \pi^0$ process beyond the one nucleon exchange model:
 - Theoretical analysis of the $\text{ppbar} \rightarrow \text{e}^+ \text{e}^- \pi^0$ process within a Regge framework (J. Guttman, M. Vanderhaeghen, PLB 719 (2013) 136–142) \rightarrow exchange of dominant baryon Regge trajectories

Backup slides

Differential cross section within Regge framework

J. Guttman, M. Vanderhaeghen /
PLB 719 (2013) 136–142

Modified nucleon propagator:

$$t\text{-channel} : \frac{1}{t - M^2} \rightarrow$$

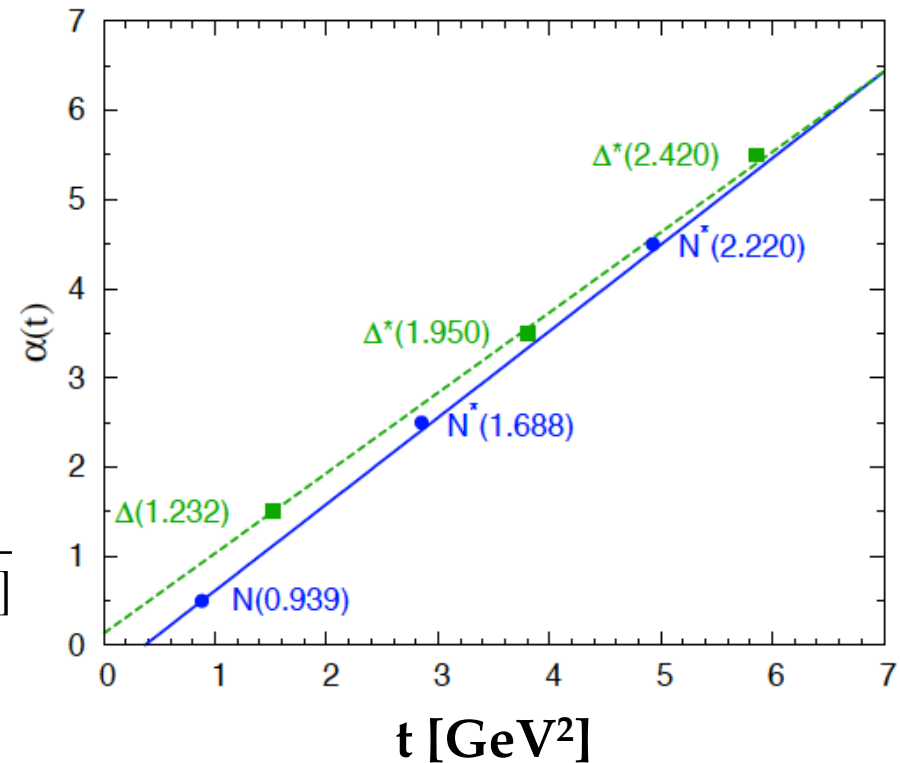
$$D_N^{\text{Regge}}(t, s) = \frac{s^{\alpha_N(t)-0.5}}{\Gamma[\alpha_N(t)+0.5]} \pi \alpha_N' \frac{e^{-i\pi(\alpha_N(t)+0.5)}}{\sin[\pi(\alpha_N(t)+0.5)]}$$

$$u\text{-channel} : \frac{1}{u - M^2} \rightarrow$$

$$D_N^{\text{Regge}}(u, s) = \frac{s^{\alpha_N(u)-0.5}}{\Gamma[\alpha_N(u)+0.5]} \pi \alpha_N' \frac{e^{-i\pi(\alpha_N(u)+0.5)}}{\sin[\pi(\alpha_N(u)+0.5)]}$$

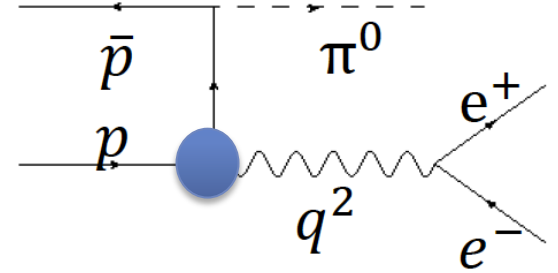
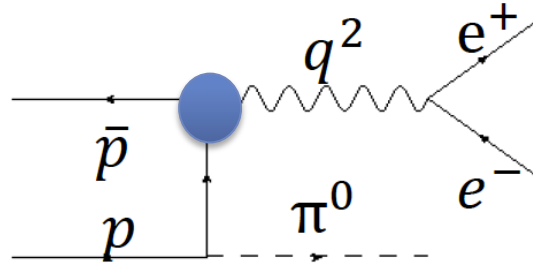
Regge trajectory for the nucleon

$$\alpha_N(t) = 0.5 + 0.97(t - M^2)$$



Differential cross section in one nucleon exchange model

$$\frac{d^5\sigma}{dq^2 d\Omega_{\pi^0} d\Omega_e^*} \propto L^{\mu\nu} H_{\mu\nu}$$



- In the γ^* rest frame (unpolarized experiment):

$$L^{\mu\nu} H_{\mu\nu} = 2e^2 q^2 (H_{11} + H_{22} + H_{33})$$

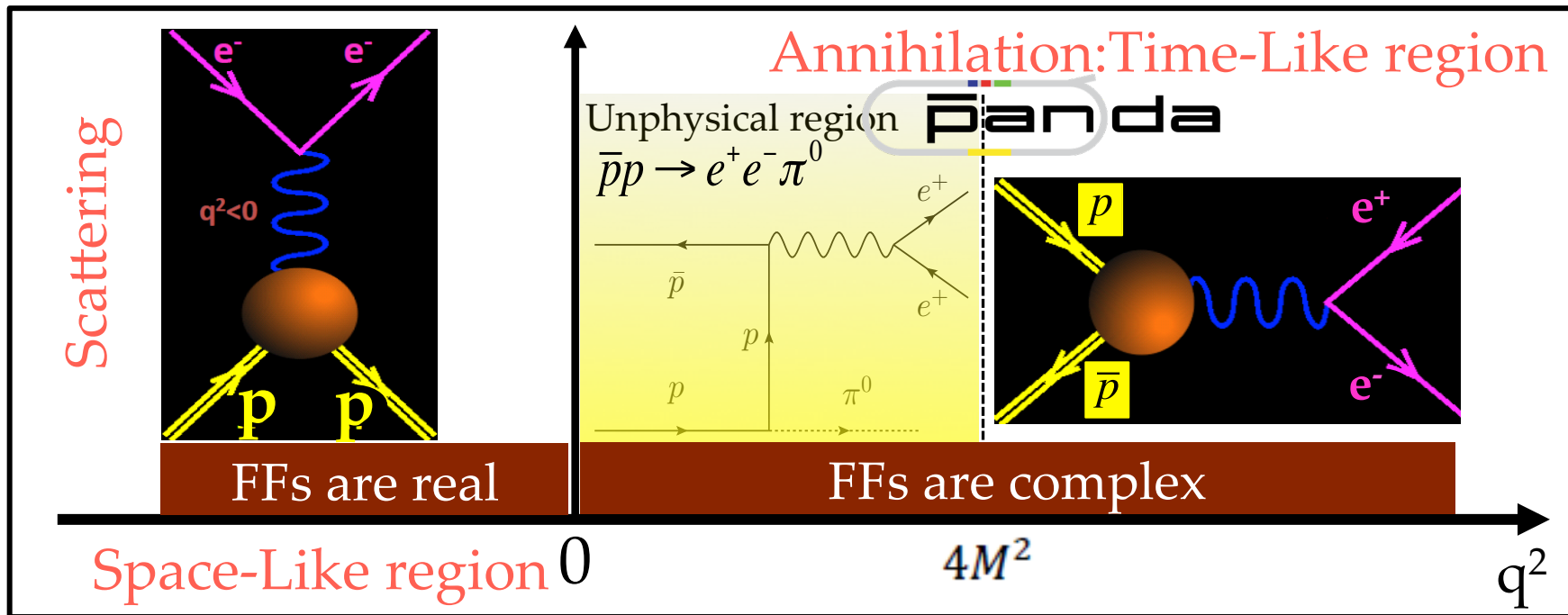
$$-8e^2 p_e^{*2} (H_{11} \sin^2 \theta_e^* \cos^2 \varphi_e^* + 2H_{13} \sin \theta_e^* \cos \theta_e^* \cos \varphi_e^*$$

$$+ H_{22} \sin^2 \theta_e^* \sin^2 \varphi_e^* + H_{33} \cos^2 \theta_e^*)$$

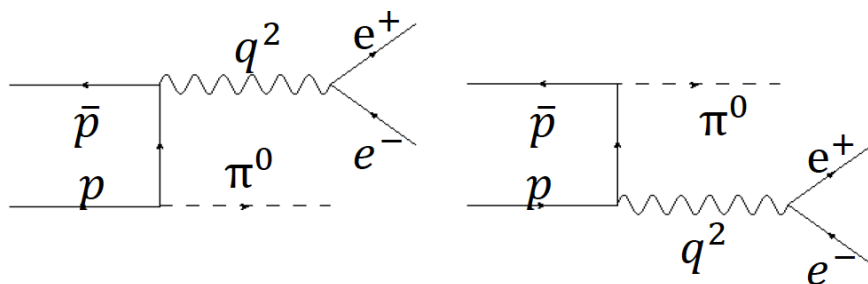
- **Non zero hadronic tensors $H_{11}, H_{22}, H_{33}, H_{13}$**
- $H_{0\nu} = 0$ by gauge invariance (in this frame $q_\mu H^{\mu\nu} = q_0 H^{0\nu} + q_i H^{i\nu} = 0$)
- H_{12}, H_{23} numerically zero

J. Van de Wiele (PhD thesis of J. Boucher, Paris-Sud and JGU mainz, Orsay, 2011)

Electromagnetic Form Factors of the Proton

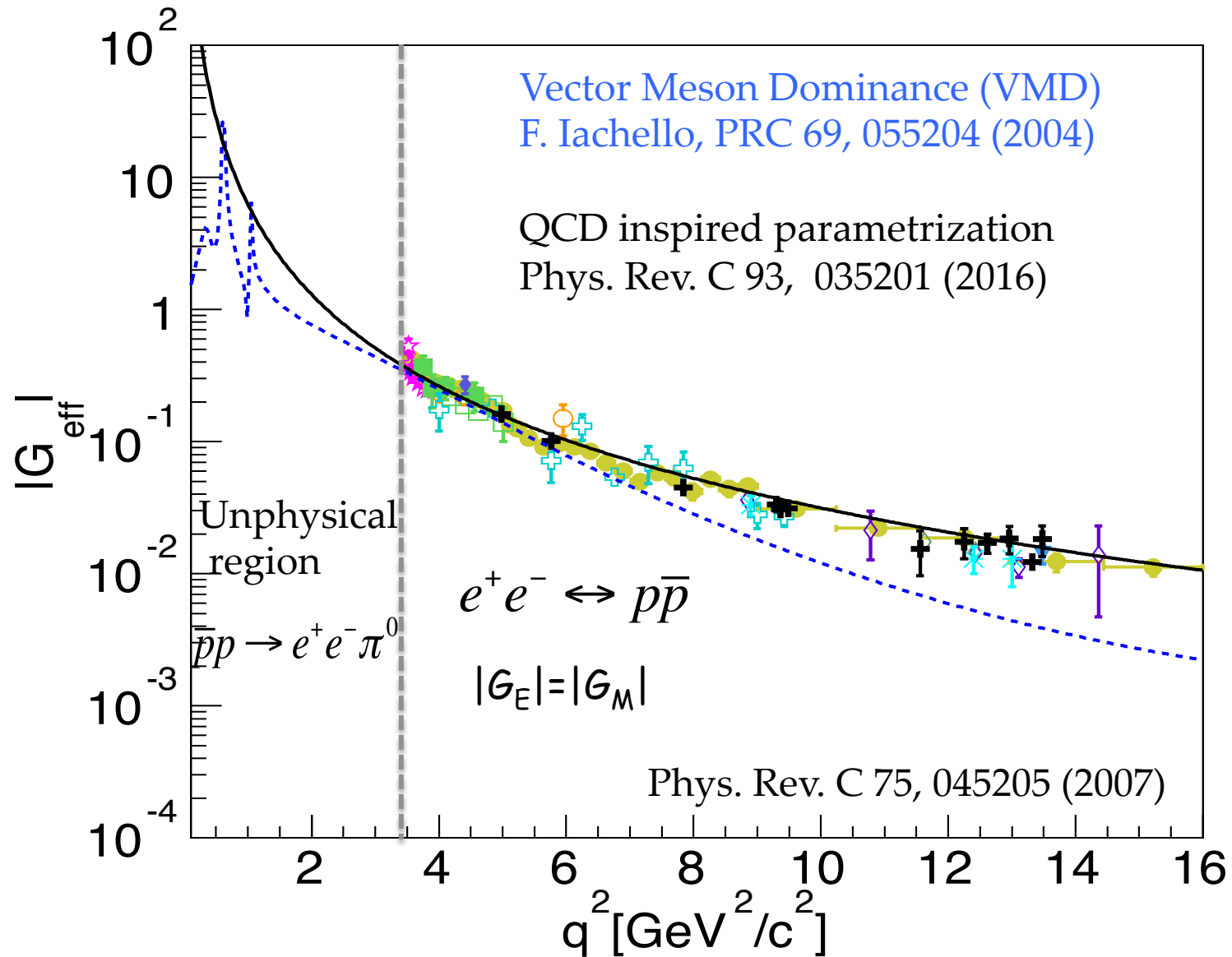


- Electric G_E and magnetic G_M proton FFs are functions of q^2
- Unphysical region can be accessed by:



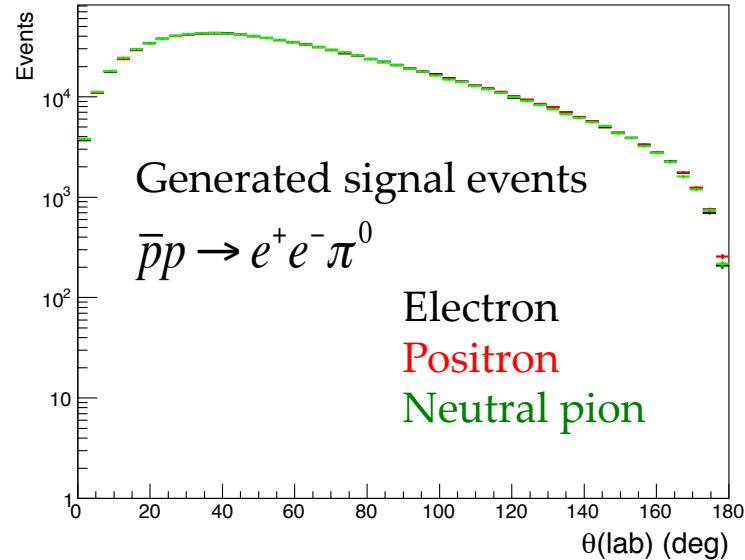
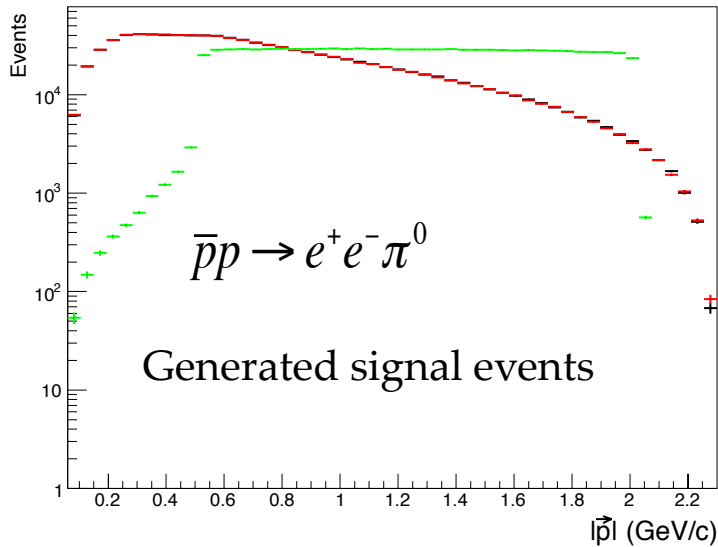
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Electromagnetic form factors of the proton (Time-Like region)

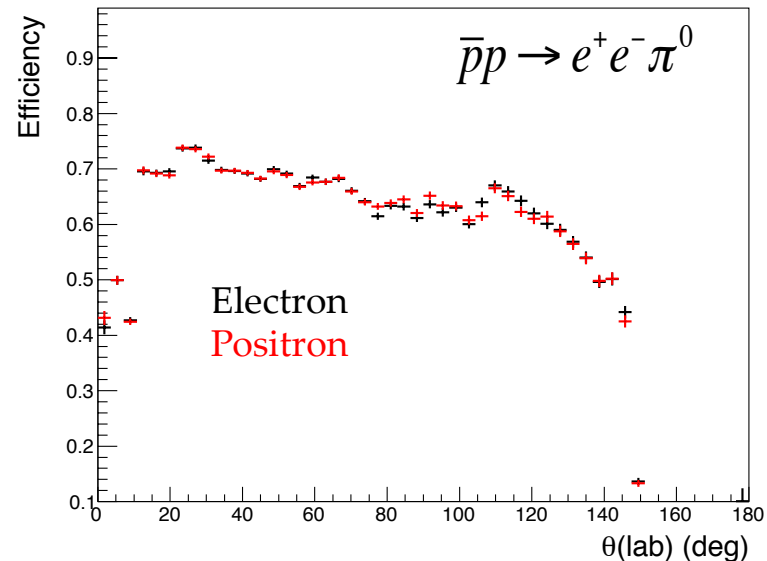
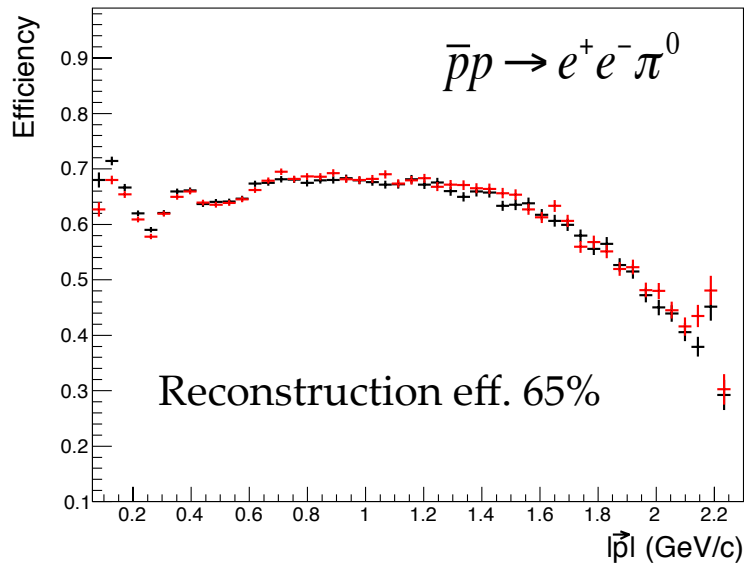


Charged Track Reconstruction

$$q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV}/c^2)^2$$



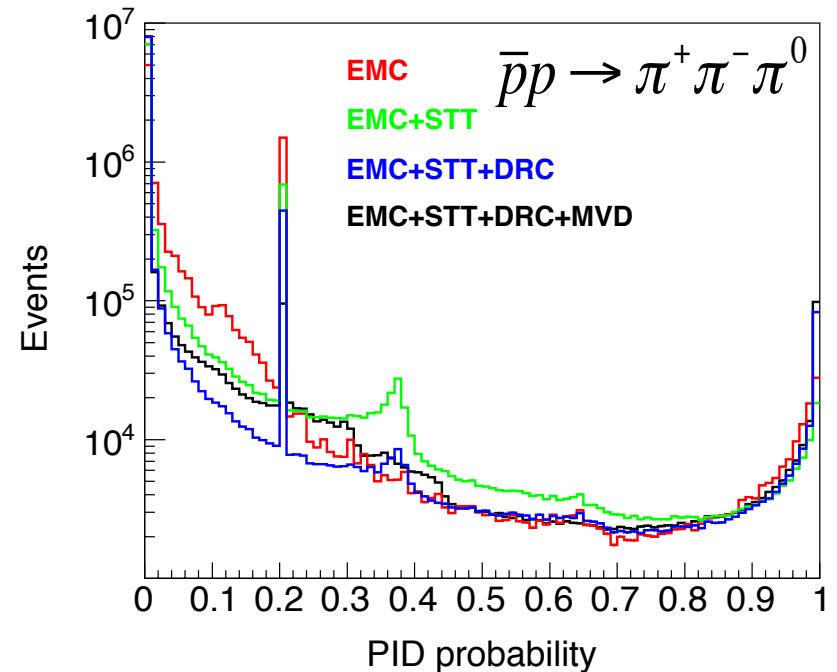
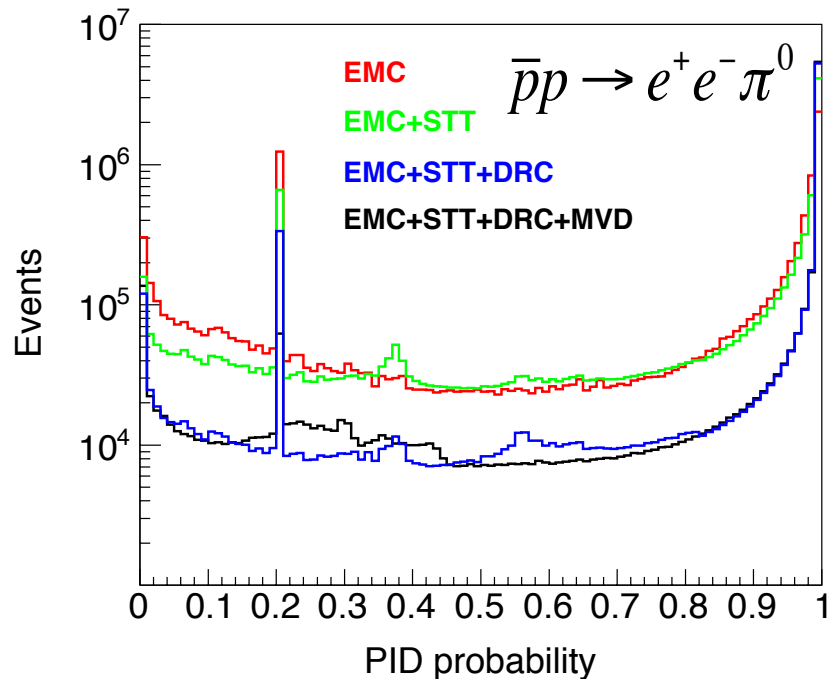
a) Reconstructed events with only **two charged tracks** are selected



Charged Track Selection (PID Probabilities)

$$q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV}/c^2)^2$$

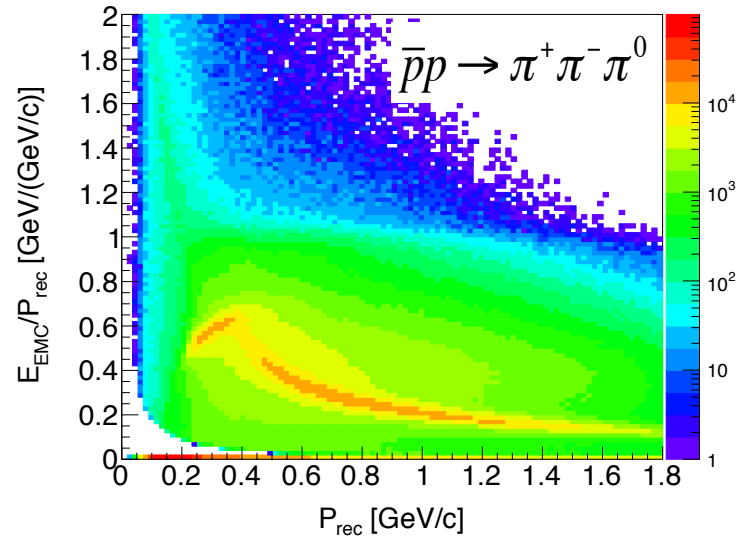
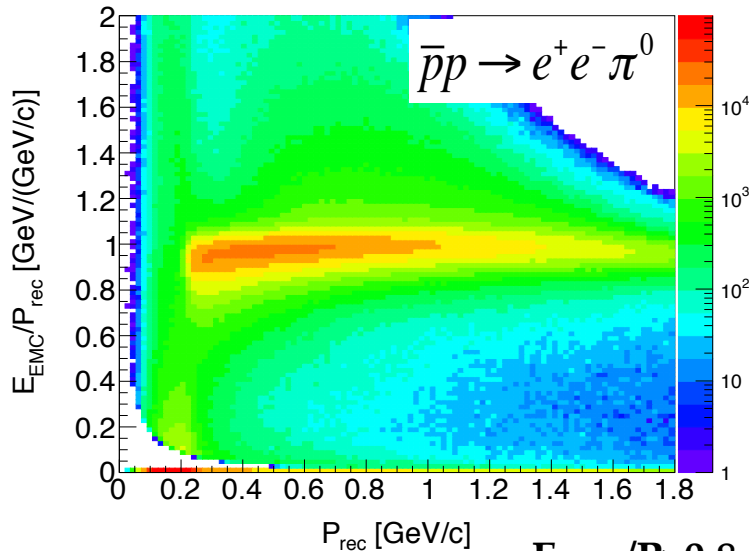
PID probability for the negative track to be identified as electron:



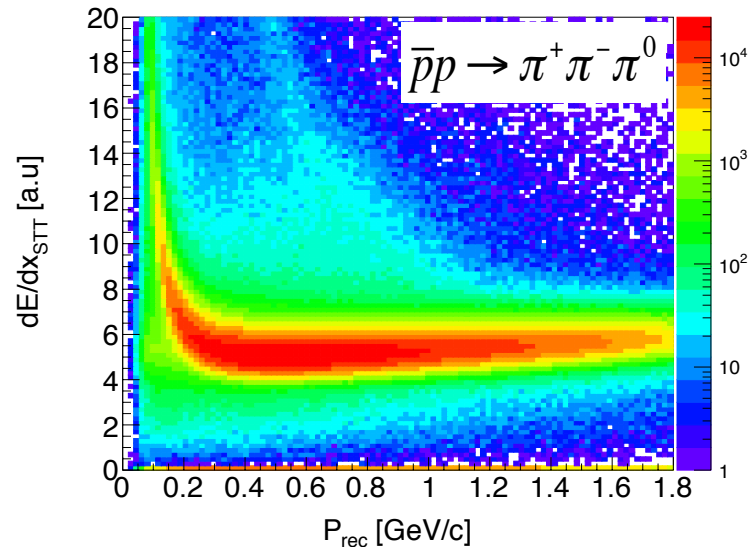
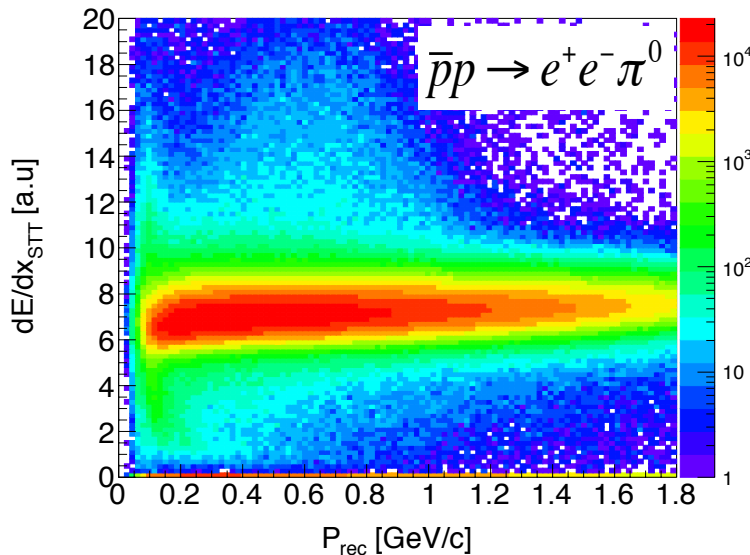
PID probability for the detected particle to be identified as e^+/e^- larger than 99% (EMC+STT+MVD+DRC)

Charged Track Selection (E_{EMC}/P and dE/dx STT)

$$q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV}/c^2)^2,$$



$E_{\text{EMC}}/P > 0.8$ and dE/dx (STT) > 5.6



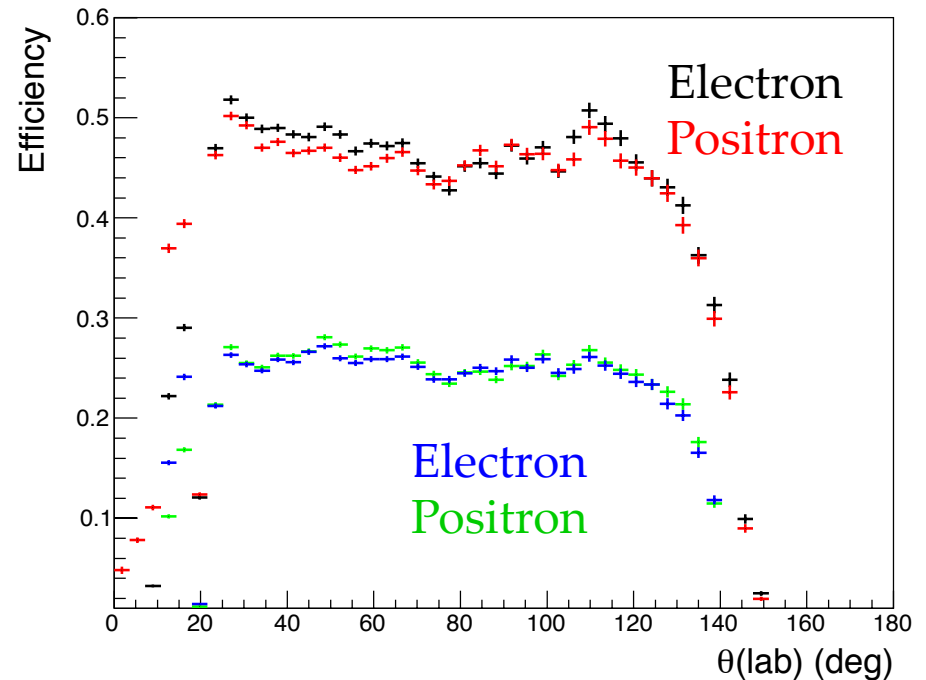
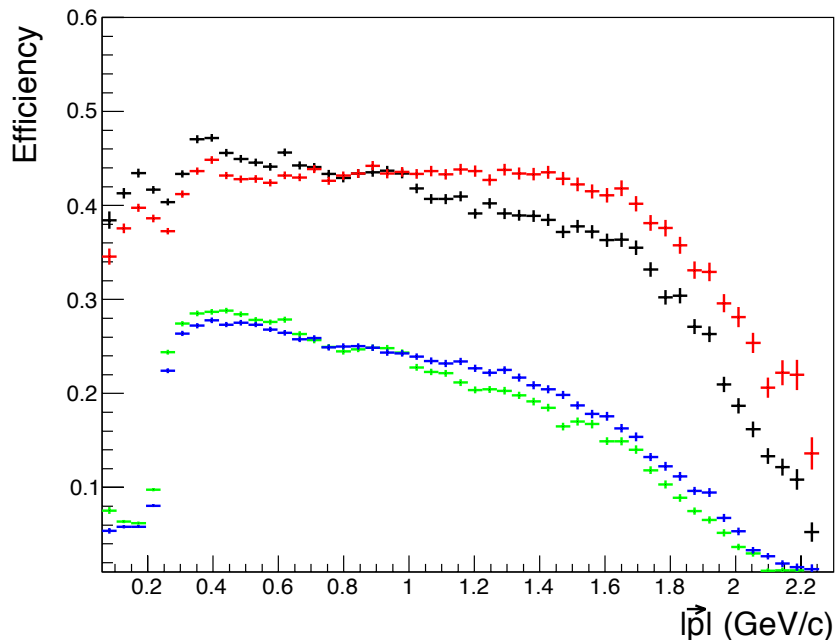
Charged Track Reconstruction (PID)

$$q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV}/c^2)^2$$

- PID probability for the detected particle to be identified as e⁺/e⁻ larger than 99% (EMC+STT+MVD+DRC)
- $E_{\text{EMC}}/p > 0.8$ and $dE/dx(\text{STT}) > 5.8$

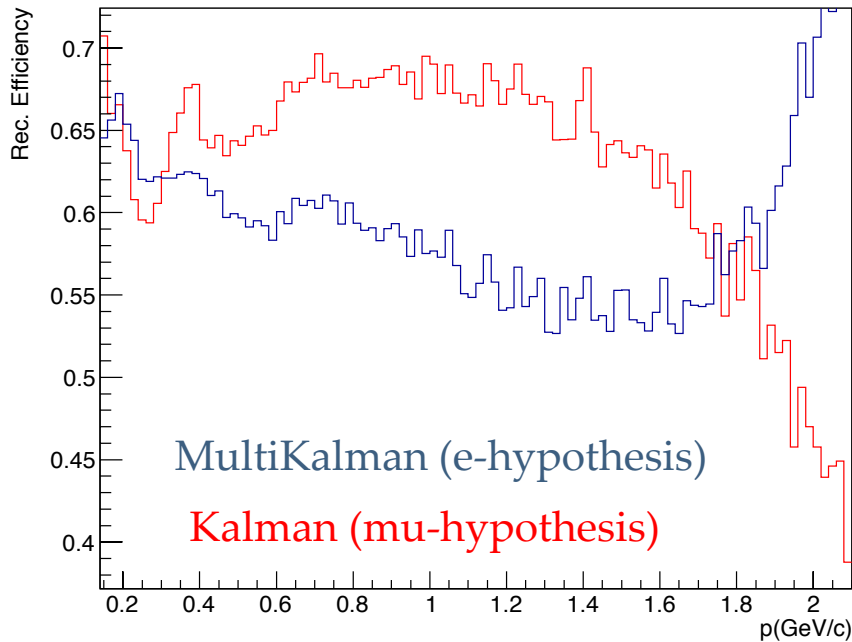
Signal eff. after PID prob.: 42%

Signal efficiency after PID prob., E_{EMC}/p and $dE/dx(\text{STT})$ cut: 22%

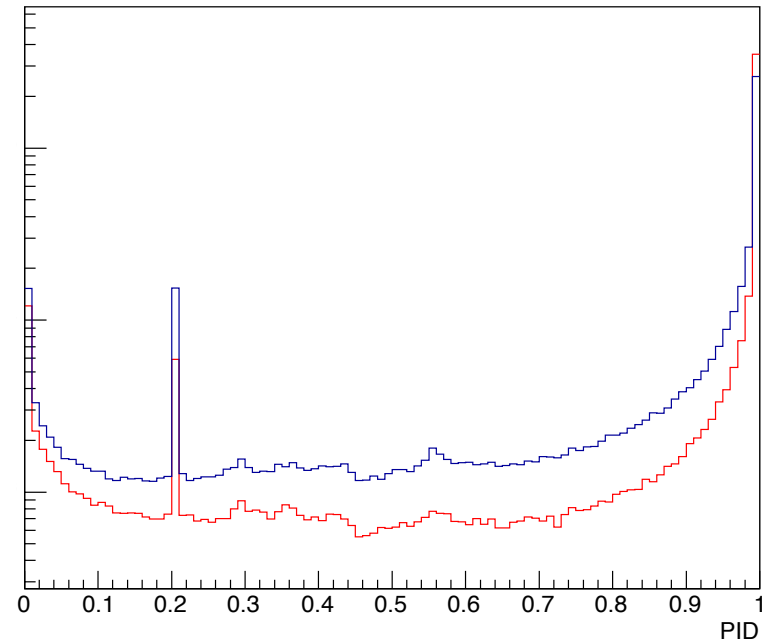


Charged Track Reconstruction and PID

$$q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV}/c^2)^2$$



Rec. efficiency 65%
Rec. efficiency 61%



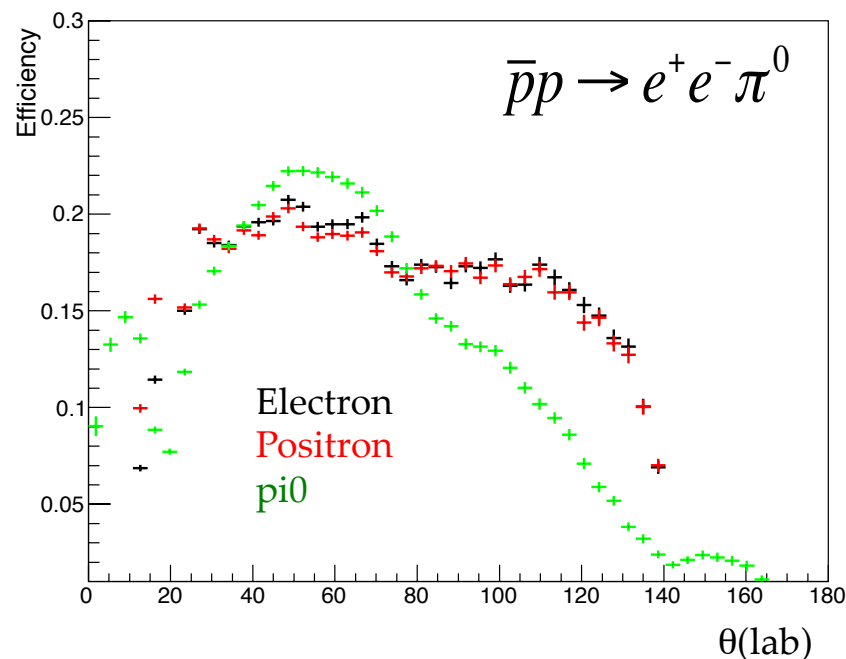
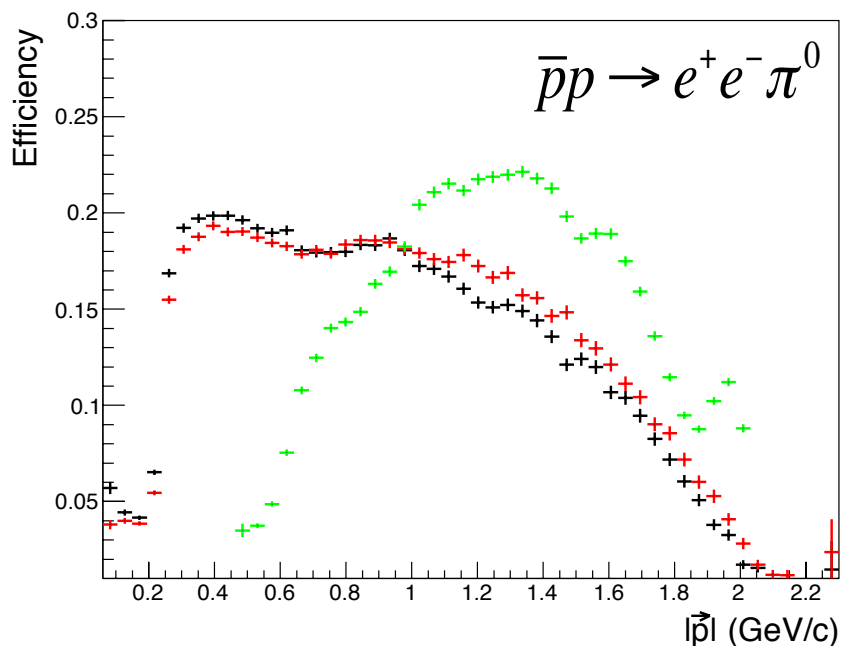
Efficiency after PID (>0.99) 42%
Efficiency after PID (>0.99) 19%

Neutral pion reconstruction (photon candidates)

$$q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV}/c^2)^2$$

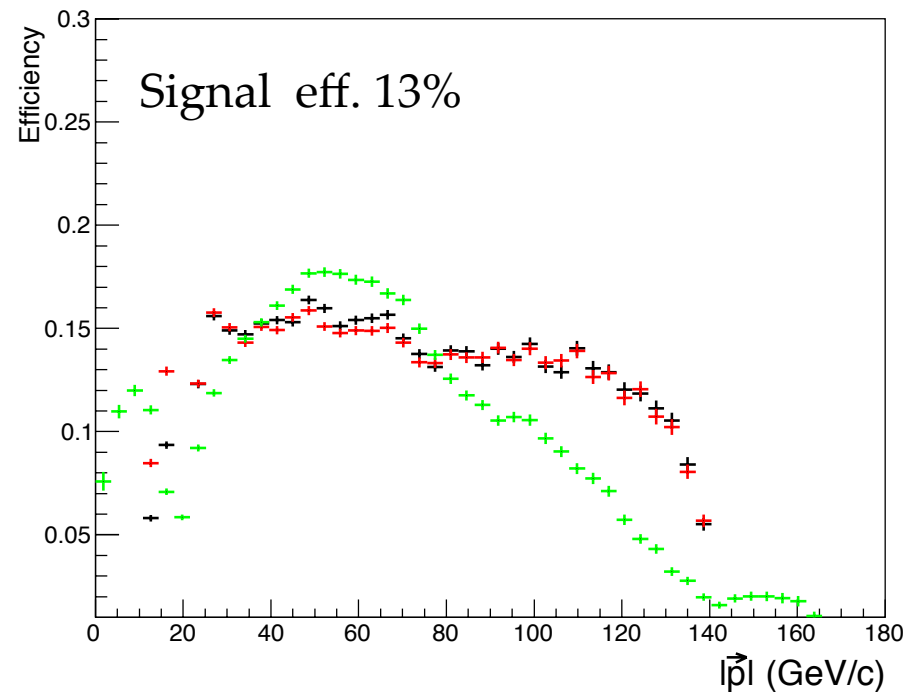
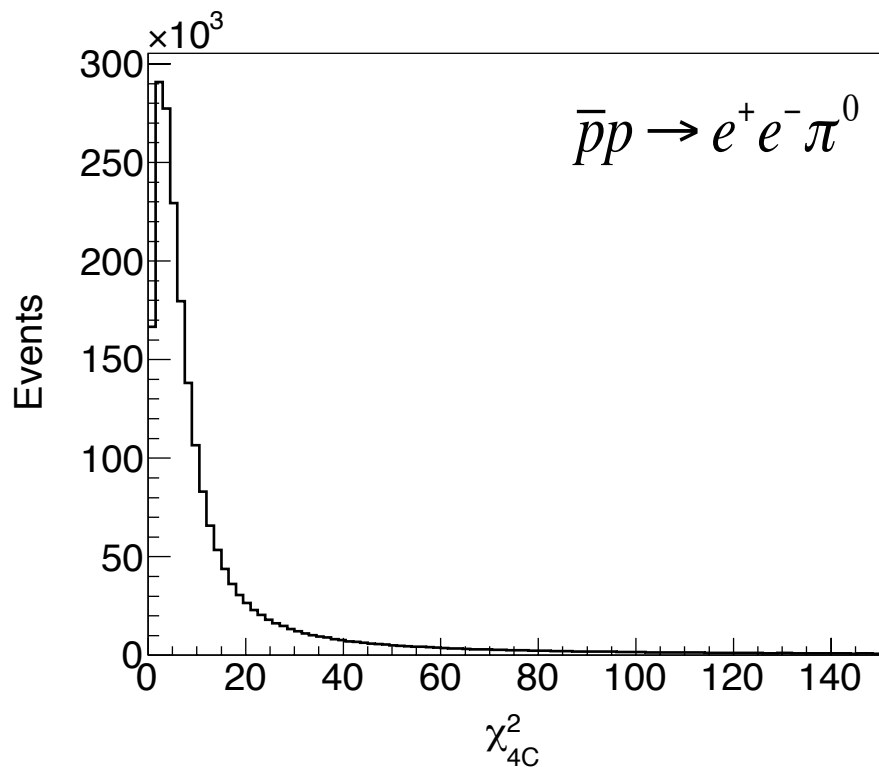
- At least two photons/event with EMC raw energy > 15 MeV
- Pion mass cut: $M_{\pi^0} - 0.05 < M_{\gamma\gamma} < M_{\pi^0} + 0.05$ (GeV/c²)
- Mass constraint fit to the nominal π^0 mass : Prob. $> 10^{-3}$. In case of more than one reconstructed pion/event, the pair ($\gamma\gamma$) of higher fit probability is selected.

Signal eff. after π^0 selection 16%



Event selection (4C kinematic fit)

Charged tracks and neutral pion selection conditions are applied



Determination of the proton form factors

- $q^2=0.605 \pm 0.015$ (GeV/c²)², **100% signal efficiency**

R	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Events N th	$2.9 \cdot 10^6$	$2.5 \cdot 10^6$	$1.4 \cdot 10^6$	840234	517112
Theoretical values	1.066	1.066	1.066	1.066	1.066
Fit results (this work)	1.063 ± 0.007 (0.7%)	1.065 ± 0.004 (0.4%)	1.052 ± 0.007 (0.6%)	1.024 ± 0.022 (2.1%)	1.068 ± 0.070 (6.4%)
Fit results (J. Boucher PhD)	1.066 ± 0.008		1.063 ± 0.007		1.067 ± 0.074

$\cos(\phi_E - \phi_M)$	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Theoretical values	0.998	0.998	0.998	0.998	0.998
Fit results (this work)	1.034 ± 0.084 (8%)	1.086 ± 0.063 (6%)	0.956 ± 0.058 (6%)	0.665 ± 0.129 (19%)	X
Fit results (J. Boucher PhD)	1.049 ± 0.103		0.997 ± 0.063		X

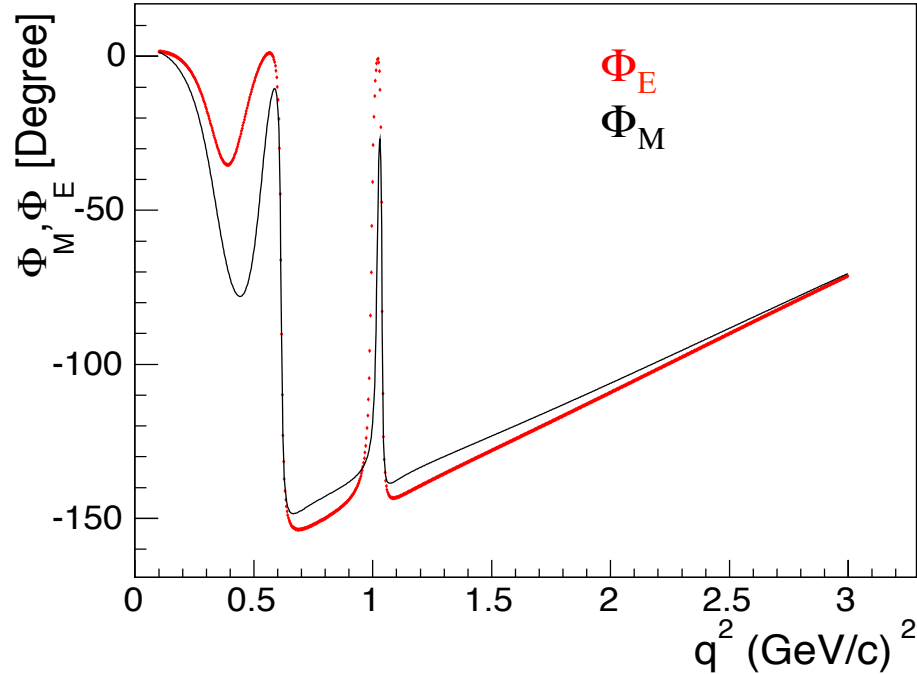
Determination of the proton form factors

- $q^2 = 2 \pm 0.125 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$, **100% signal efficiency**

R	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Events N th	18441	17379	9362	4989	2954
Theoretical values	0.802	0.802	0.802	0.802	0.802
Fit results (this work)	0.802 ± 0.026 (3%)	0.809 ± 0.017 (2%)	0.785 ± 0.028 (3.5%)	0.761 ± 0.075 (10%)	X
Fit results (J. Boucher PhD)	0.8 ± 0.028		0.802 ± 0.031		X

$\cos(\phi_E - \phi_M)$	$10^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 30^\circ$	$30^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 50^\circ$	$80^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 100^\circ$	$120^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 140^\circ$	$140^\circ < \theta_{\pi^0} < 160^\circ$
Theoretical values	0.999	0.999	0.999	0.999	0.999
Fit results (this work)	1.006 ± 0.082 (8%)	0.905 ± 0.076 (8.5%)	0.904 ± 0.090 (10%)	0.929 ± 0.244 (28%)	X
Fit results (J. Boucher PhD)	1.001 ± 0.076		0.999 ± 0.084		X

Time-like proton form factors (VMD model)



Vector Meson Dominance (VMD)
F. Iachello, PRC 69, 055204 (2004)

$$q^2 = 0.605 \pm 0.005 \text{ (GeV}/c^2)^2$$

$$R = 1.066, \cos(\phi_E - \phi_M) = 0.998 \text{ (4}^\circ\text{)}$$

$$q^2 = 2 \pm 0.125 \text{ (GeV}/c^2)^2$$

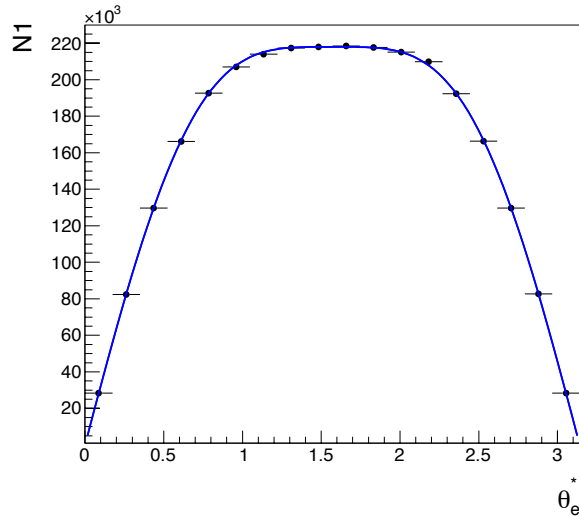
$$R = 0.802, \cos(\phi_E - \phi_M) = 0.999 \text{ (3}^\circ\text{)}$$

2 fb⁻¹

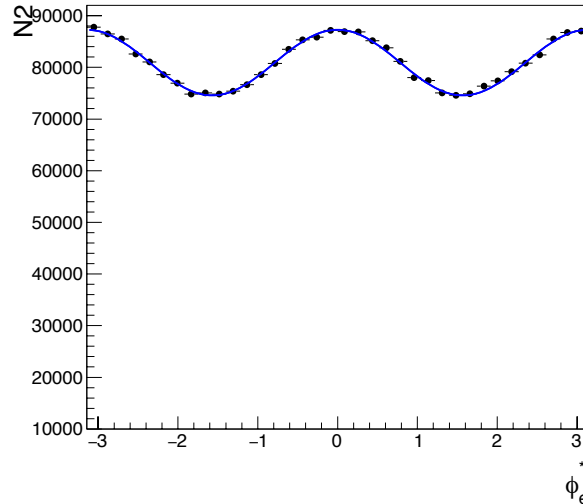
s=5.4 GeV ²	q ² =0.605±0.005 (GeV/c ²) ²	q ² = 2±0.125 (GeV/c ²) ²
10° < θ _{π0} < 30°	2.91271 · 10 ⁶	18441
30° < θ _{π0} < 50°	2.47392 · 10 ⁶	17379
90° < θ _{π0} < 100°	1.40351 · 10 ⁶	9362
120° < θ _{π0} < 140°	840234	4989
140° < θ _{π0} < 160°	517112	2954

Determination of the proton form factors

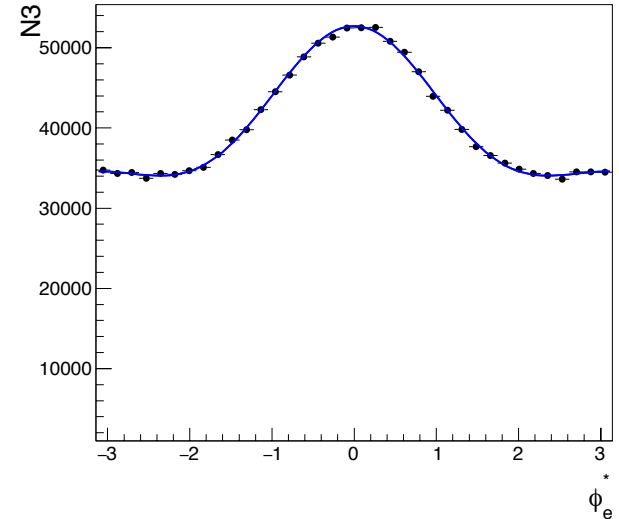
- $q^2=0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$, $\theta_{\pi 0}=[10^\circ-30^\circ]$, **100% signal efficiency** ($N^{\text{th}}=2.9 \cdot 10^6$)



$$\frac{dN_1}{d \cos \theta_e^*} = A(1 + B \cos^2 \theta_e^*)$$



$$\frac{dN_2}{d\phi_e^*} = C(1 + D \cos 2\phi_e^*)$$

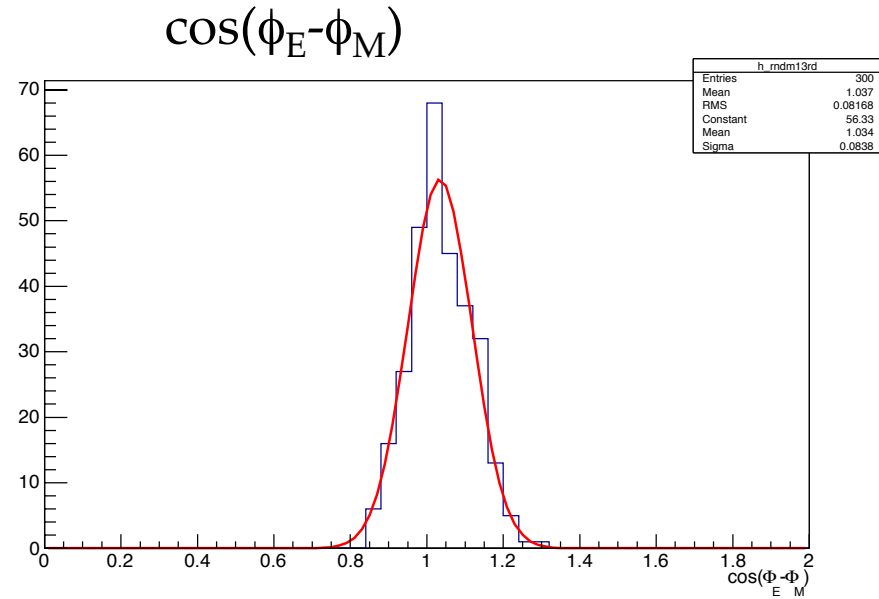
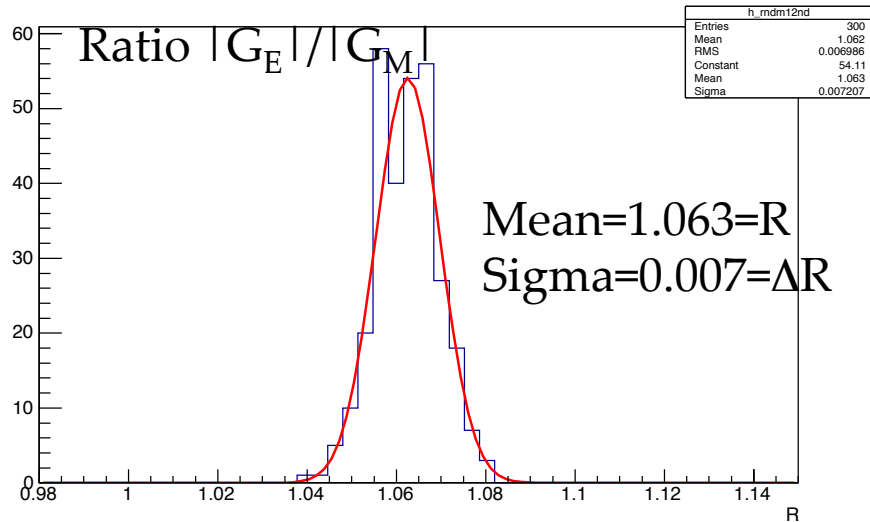


$$\frac{dN_3}{d\phi_e^*} = E(1 + F \cos 2\phi_e^* + G \cos \phi_e^*)$$

	R	$\cos(\phi_E - \phi_M)$
Theoretical values	1.066	0.998
Fit results (one simulation)	1.067 ± 0.006	1.040 ± 0.085

Determination of the proton form factors

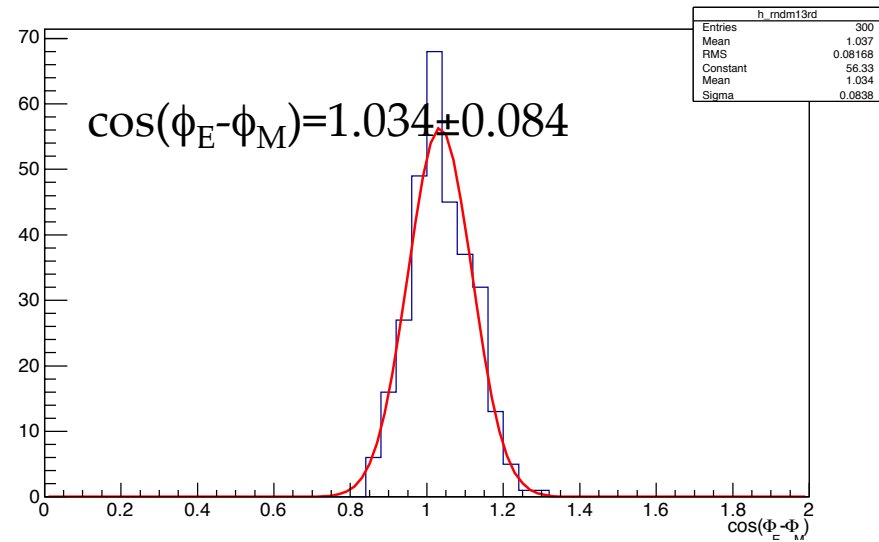
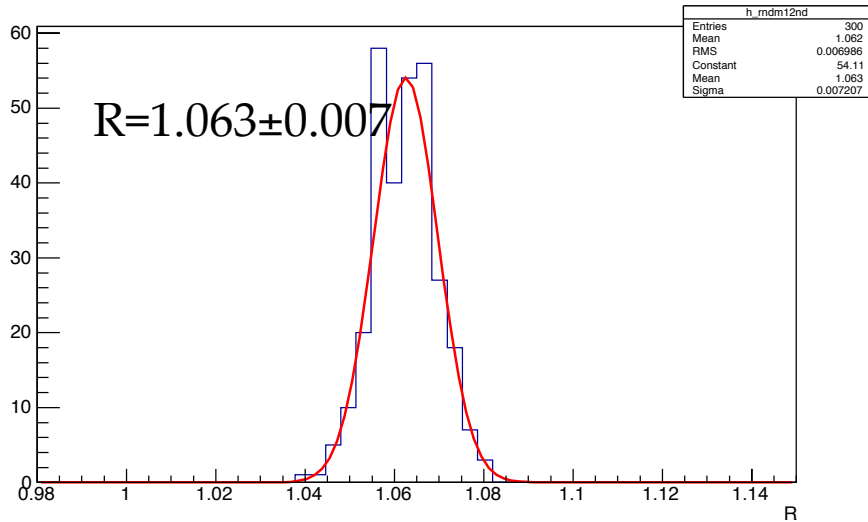
- $q^2=0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$, $\theta_{\pi^0}=[10^\circ-30^\circ]$, **100% signal efficiency** ($N^{\text{th}}=2.9 \cdot 10^6$)



	R	$\cos(\phi_E-\phi_M)$
Theoretical values	1.066	0.998
Fit results (one simulation)	1.067 ± 0.006	1.040 ± 0.085
Fit results (500 simulations)	1.063 ± 0.007	1.034 ± 0.084

Determination of the proton form factors

- $q^2=0.605 \pm 0.015 \text{ (GeV/c}^2\text{)}^2$, $\theta_{\pi^0}=[10^\circ-30^\circ]$, **100% signal efficiency** ($N^{\text{th}}=2.9 \cdot 10^6$)



Fit to N1 and N2 only:

