



Studies on decays of light mesons

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Introduction

Light meson decays

Three different but complementary experiments

- WASA-at-COSY
- KLOE/KLOE-2
- A2

Focus on:

- Dalitz plot studies
- Transition form factor measurements

WASA-at-COSY



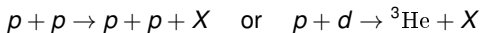
Wide Angle Shower Apparatus

Operated at Cooler Synchrotron (COSY) 2006-2015.

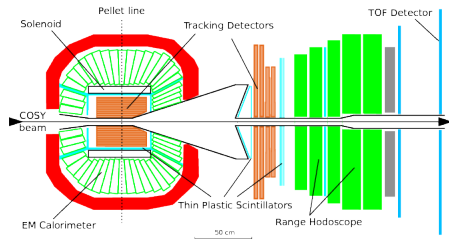
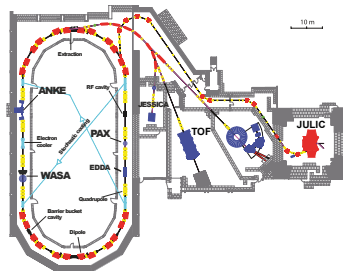
COSY — (un)polarised proton/deuteron beam $p = 600 - 3700 \text{ MeV/c}$.

Frozen pellet target — hydrogen/deuterium.

Designed for studies of light mesons.



H.-H. Adam et al arXiv:nucl-ex/0411038



Central Detector

~ 4π coverage of decay particles
Mini drift chamber: 17 cylindrical layers
Calorimeter: 1012 CsI(Na) crystals
Solenoid: $B_{max} = 1.3\text{T}$

Forward Detector

Clean tagging of recoil particles
Plastic scintillators
Proportional chamber

KLOE/KLOE-2



K Long Experiment

At DAΦNe — e^+e^- collider $\sqrt{s} = M_\Phi = 1019.4$ MeV.

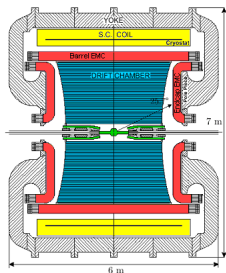
$$e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \Phi \rightarrow X + Y + \dots$$

KLOE operated 2000-2006. collecting 2.5fb^{-1} @ $M_\Phi + 250$ pb $^{-1}$ off-peak

→ Upgraded to KLOE-2, will collect >5 fb $^{-1}$ 2014-2018

F. Bossi, et al., *Nuovo Cimento*, 30 (2008) 10

G. Amelino-Camelia et al., *Eur. Phys. J. C*, 68 (2010) 619

**Drift Chamber**

4m diameter, 3.3 m long
 $\partial p_\perp / p_\perp < 0.4\%$ ($\theta > 45^\circ$)
 $\sigma_{xy} = 150\mu\text{m}$, $\sigma_z = 2\text{mm}$

Calorimeter

Pb / scintillating fiber
 98% coverage of solid angle
 $\sigma_T = 57$ ps / $\sqrt{E(\text{GeV})} \oplus 140$ ps

Magnetic field

$B = 0.52$ T

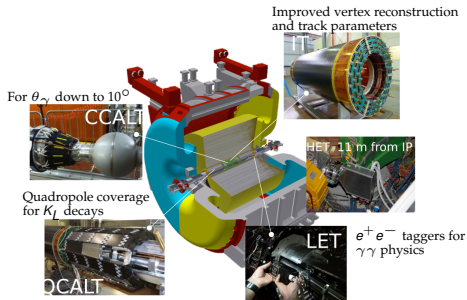


Figure from E. Perez del Rio presentation at International Workshop on e^+e^- collisions from Phi to Psi 2017

A2



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At MAInzer MIkrotron (MAMI) — (un)polarised electron accelerator, $E_{max} = 1.6$ GeV.

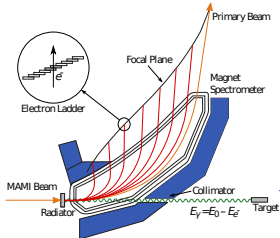
Electrons + radiator \rightarrow tagged bremsstrahlung photons (un/linearly/circularly polarised)

$$\gamma + p \rightarrow p + X$$

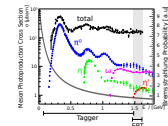
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 R. Novotny, *IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci.* 38, 379 (1991)
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The Glasgow photon tagger

$E_\gamma = 80 - 1401$ MeV
 Resolution: 1-4 MeV

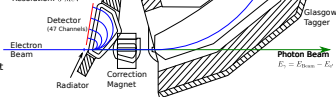


+ The end point tagger

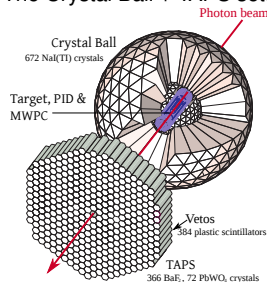


End Point Tagger

$E_\gamma = 1420$ to 1580 MeV
 Resolution: 3 MeV



The Crystal Ball + TAPS setup

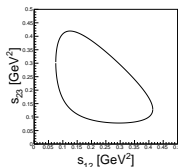


What is a Dalitz plot?

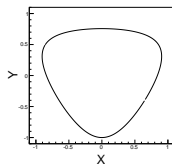
Kinematic variables

3-body decay: \mathcal{A} given by two independent variables \rightarrow 2D representation.

Common choice of variables when $m_1 = m_2$

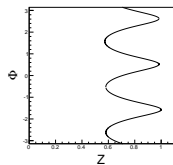


$$s_{ij} = |P_i + P_j|^2$$



$$X = \sqrt{3} \frac{T_1^* - T_2^*}{Q}$$

$$Y = \frac{(2m_1 + m_3) T_3^*}{(m_1 Q)} - 1$$



$$Z = X^2 + Y^2$$

$$\Phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{Y}{X}$$

Parametrisation

To compare experimental/theory results — only for smooth distributions.

$$|\mathcal{A}(X, Y)|^2 \propto N(1 + aY + bY^2 + cX + dX^2 + eXY + fY^3 + gX^2Y + \dots)$$

$$|\mathcal{A}(Z, \Phi)|^2 \propto N(1 + 2\alpha Z + 2\beta Z^{3/2} \sin(3\Phi) + 2\gamma Z^2 + 2\delta Z^{5/2} \sin(3\Phi) + \dots)$$

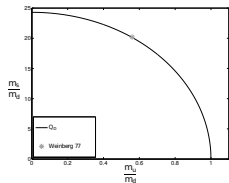
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Study ratio of light m_q

$$A_{\text{LO}}^{\chi\text{PT}} \sim Q^{-2} = \frac{m_d^2 - m_u^2}{m_s^2 - m_{ud}^2}$$

- NNLO χPT calculated¹ — slow convergence
- Dispersive calculations^{2,3} — use χPT constraints and exp. results $\rightarrow Q$

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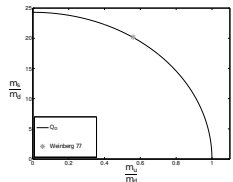
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L. Caldeira Balkestähi, Doctoral dissertation Uppsala U, 2016

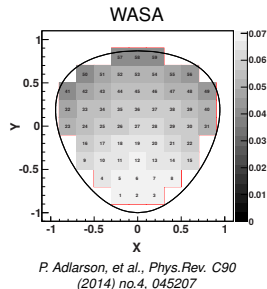
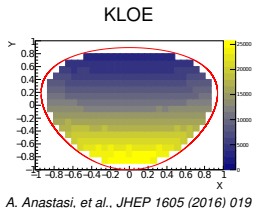
Experimental Dalitz plots

■ KLOE

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

■ WASA

$$pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} \eta$$



High statistics Dalitz plot density distribution.

Fit parametrisation \rightarrow test of theory.

Determination of theory parameters $\rightarrow Q$

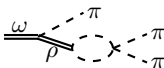
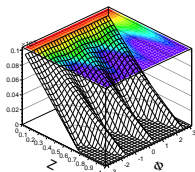
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Study decay dynamic

- Final state P-wave
- $\pi - \pi$ interactions — Previously unmeasured

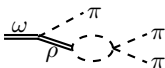
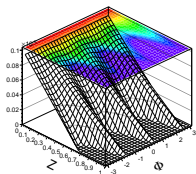
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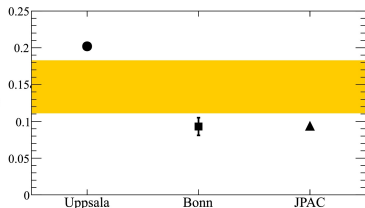
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Experimental Dalitz plot

- WASA $pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} \omega$ and $pp \rightarrow pp \omega$
(4.408 ± 0.042) $\times 10^4$ events

$$\mathcal{A} \sim [\text{Pwave}] \times \left(1 + 2\alpha Z + 2\beta Z^{3/2} \sin 3\phi + \mathcal{O}(Z^2) \right)^2$$

→ First observation of intermediate ρ
 $\propto \alpha$ parameter



P. Adlarson, et al., *Phys.Lett. B770* (2017) 418

$$\eta' \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \pi^0$$

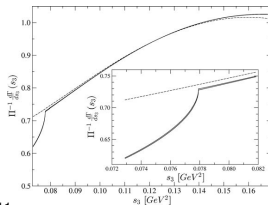
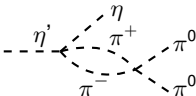
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Not yet observed in this channel

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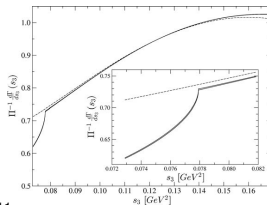
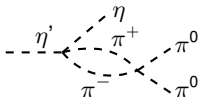
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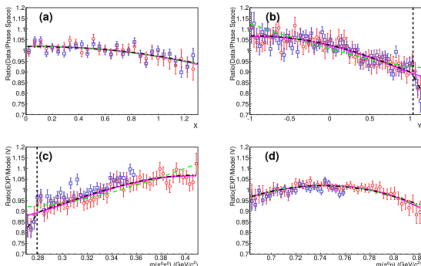
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A2 Preliminary

Experimental Dalitz plot

■ A2 $\gamma p \rightarrow \eta' p$
120 000 events in Dalitz plot

\rightarrow Fit $1 + aY + bY^2 + cX + dX^2$
 \rightarrow Fit cusp to get $(a_2 - a_0)$



P. Adlarson, presentation at International Workshop on e^+e^- collisions from Phi to Psi 2017

Transition Form Factors

Input to a_μ^{SM}

3-4 σ discrepancy in $a_\mu^{SM} - a_\mu^{exp}$ — Data driven efforts to reduce theoretical error ^{12,13}.

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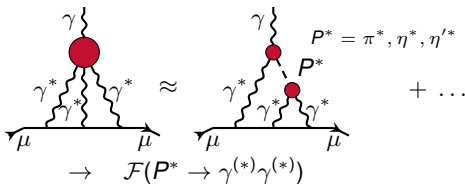
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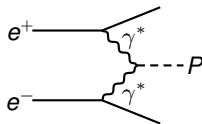
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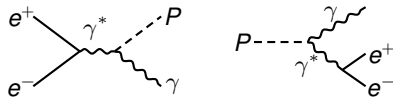


Measurable form factors

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Time-like



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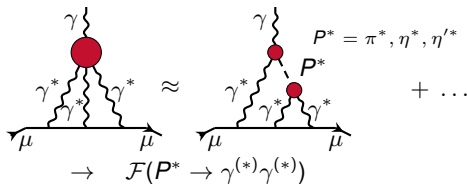
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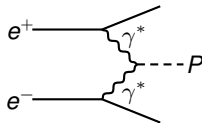
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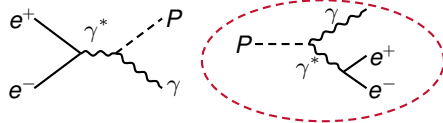


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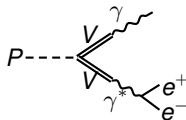
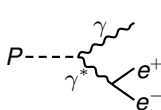


Time-like



Transition Form Factors

Dalitz decays



Study of

- $P \rightarrow \gamma l^+ l^-$
- $V \rightarrow P l^+ l^-$

Extracting the form factor

- Normalised FF — $F_P(q^2, 0) = \frac{\mathcal{F}_P(q^2, 0)}{\mathcal{F}_P(0, 0)}$
- $\frac{d\Gamma(P \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-)}{dq^2 \Gamma(P \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)} = [\text{QED}]_P |F_P(q^2, 0)|^2$
- Compare results — VMD-inspired parametrisation
 $F(q^2, 0) \approx 1 + \Lambda^{-2} q^2$

$$P \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$$

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

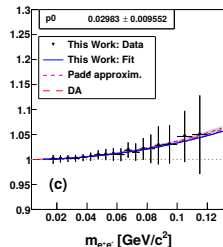
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$$a_\pi = 0.030(10) \quad \left[\frac{a_\pi}{m_{\pi^0}^2} = \Lambda^{-2} \right]$$

~ factor 2 better precision from NA62.

→ Future plans from A2 to match.

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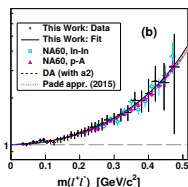
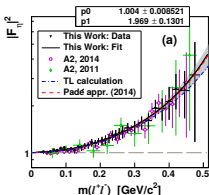
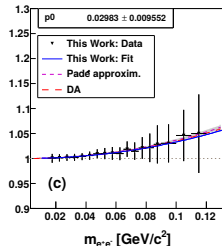
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Good experiment - theory agreement.

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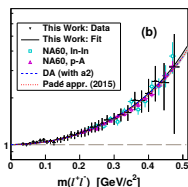
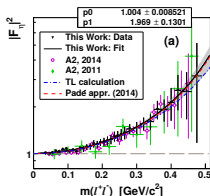
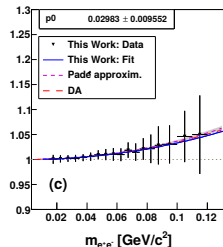
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m_{ee} up to 840 MeV — cover ρ peak

²⁰ O. Steffen, *EPJ Web Conf. 142 (2017) 01027*

$$V \rightarrow Pe^+e^-$$

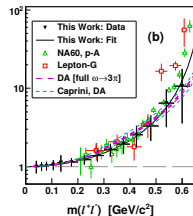
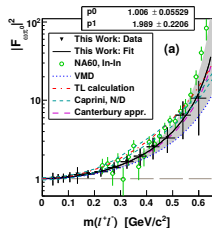
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Significant disagreement between theory – experiment (NA60, Lepton-G)

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$$\Lambda_{\omega\pi^0}^{-2} = 1.99(22_{tot}) \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

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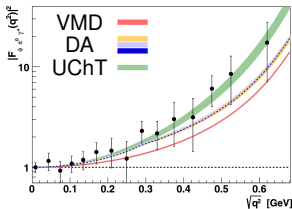
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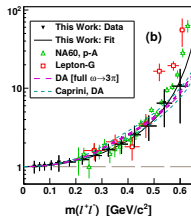
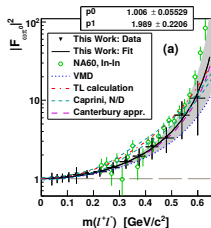
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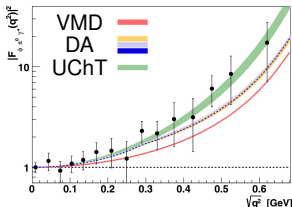
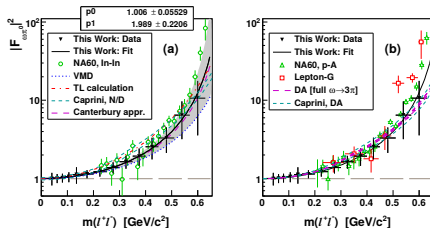
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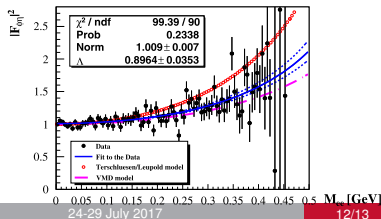
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²³ D. Babusci et al., *Phys.Lett. B742 (2015) 1-6*



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Experiment	-a	b	d	f	-g
Gormley(70) [16]	1.17 ± 0.02	0.21 ± 0.03	0.06 ± 0.04	—	—
Layter(73) [17]	1.080 ± 0.014	0.03 ± 0.03	0.05 ± 0.03	—	—
CBarrel(98) [18]	1.22 ± 0.07	0.22 ± 0.11	$0.06(\text{fixed})$	—	—
KLOE(08) [19]	$1.090 \pm 0.005_{-0.008}^{+0.019}$	$0.124 \pm 0.006 \pm 0.010$	$0.057 \pm 0.006_{-0.016}^{+0.007}$	$0.14 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.02$	—
WASA(14) [20]	1.144 ± 0.018	$0.219 \pm 0.019 \pm 0.047$	$0.086 \pm 0.018 \pm 0.015$	0.115 ± 0.037	—
BESIII(15) [21]	$1.128 \pm 0.015 \pm 0.008$	$0.153 \pm 0.017 \pm 0.004$	$0.085 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.009$	$0.173 \pm 0.028 \pm 0.021$	—
Calculations					
ChPT LO [10]	1.039	0.27	0	0	—
ChPT NLO [10]	1.371	0.452	0.053	0.027	—
ChPT NNLO[10]	1.271 ± 0.075	0.394 ± 0.102	0.055 ± 0.057	0.025 ± 0.160	—
dispersive [22]	1.16	0.26	0.10	—	—
simplified disp [5]	1.21	0.33	0.04	—	—
NREFT [12]	1.213 ± 0.014	0.308 ± 0.023	0.050 ± 0.003	0.083 ± 0.019	0.039 ± 0.002
UChPT [11]	1.054 ± 0.025	0.185 ± 0.015	0.079 ± 0.026	0.064 ± 0.012	—

$$\text{KLOE(16)} \quad 1.095(3)_{-(2)}^{+(3)} \quad 0.145(3)(5) \quad 0.081(3)_{-(5)}^{+(6)} \quad 0.141(7)_{-(8)}^{+(7)} \quad 0.044(9)_{-(13)}^{+(12)} \quad \text{xFit}$$

A. Anastasi, et al., JHEP 1605 (2016) 019

Backup — $\omega \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$

TABLE I: Dalitz Plot parameters and $\sqrt{\chi^2}$ of the polynomial parametrization (40) for $\omega \rightarrow 3\pi$. In addition to our results we also show the selected results from Niecknig et al. [37] (dispersive study with incorporated crossed-channel effects) and Terschlusen et al. [19] (Lagrangian based study with the pion-pion rescattering effects).

	$\alpha \times 10^3$	$\beta \times 10^3$	$\gamma \times 10^3$	$\delta \times 10^3$	$\sqrt{\chi^2} \times 10^3$
This paper ($\hat{F} = 0$)	136	-	-	-	3.5
This paper (full)	94	-	-	-	3.2
Niecknig et al. [37]	84...96	-	-	-	0.9...1.1
Terschlusen et al. [19]	202	-	-	-	6.6
This paper ($\hat{F} = 0$)	125	30	-	-	0.74
This paper (full)	84	28	-	-	0.35
Niecknig et al. [37]	74...84	24...28	-	-	0.052...0.078
Terschlusen et al. [19]	190	54	-	-	2.1
This paper ($\hat{F} = 0$)	113	27	24	-	0.1
This paper (full)	80	27	8	-	0.24
Niecknig et al. [37]	73...81	24...28	3...6	-	0.038...0.047
Terschlusen et al. [19]	172	43	50	-	0.4
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This paper (full)	83	22	1	14	0.079
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Terschlusen et al. [19]	174	35	43	20	0.1

I. Danilkin, et al., *Phys.Rev. D91* (2015) no.9, 094029

$$\text{WASA(17)} \quad \alpha = 147(36) \times 10^3$$

P. Adlarson, et al., *Phys.Lett. B770* (2017) 418-425

Backup — $V \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$

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

■ NA62

$$a_\pi = 0.0368(57)$$

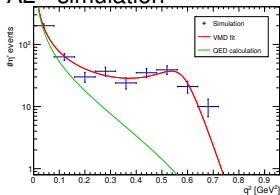
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C. Lazzeroni, et al., Phys.Lett. B768 (2017) 38-45

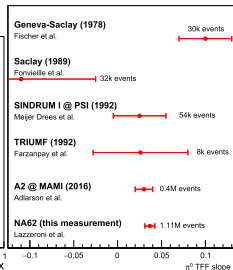
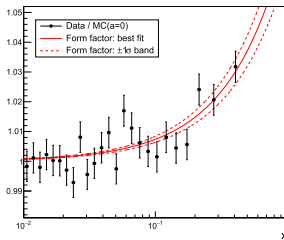
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■ Ongoing study with A2

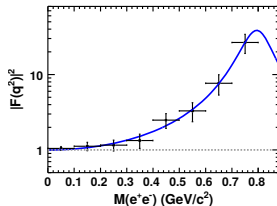
A2 - simulation



O. Steffen, EPJ Web Conf. 142 (2017) 01027



■ BESIII — $\Lambda^{-2} = 1.60 \pm 0.17_{stat} \pm 0.08_{sys} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$
 $\Lambda_{VMD}^{-2} = 1.45 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ and $\Lambda_{\chi PT}^{-2} = 1.60 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$



M. Ablikim et al., Phys.Rev. D92 (2015) no. 1, 012001