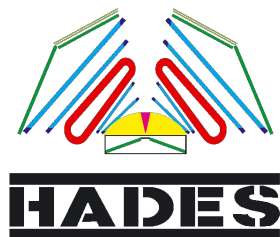




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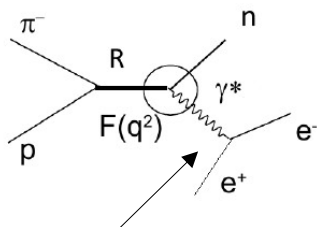
# **Studies of Time-like Baryon Transition Form Factors with HADES**



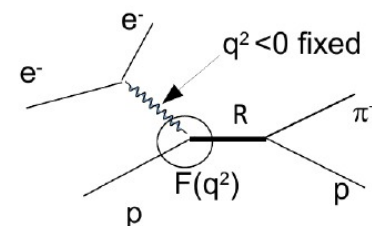
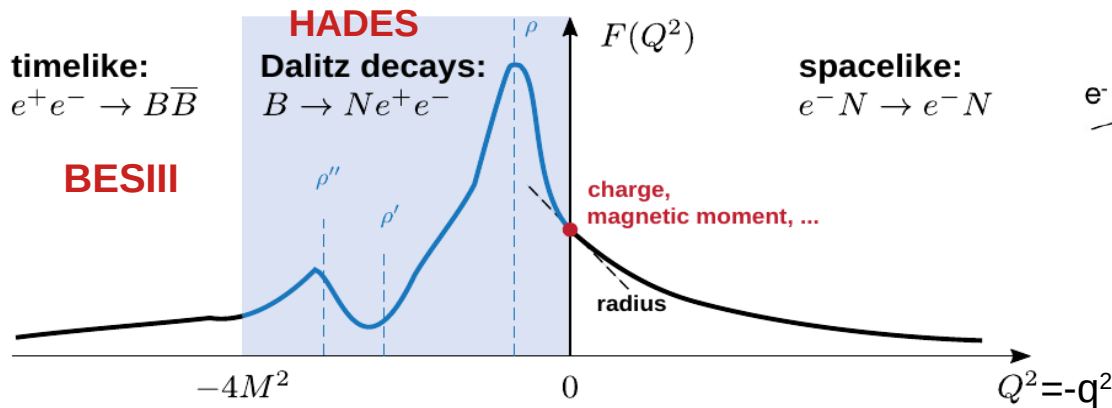
**Izabela Ciepał**



# Electromagnetic structure of baryons



$4m_{ee}^2 < q^2 < (M_R - M_n)^2$   
variable



$q^2 < 0$  fixed  
CLAS/JLab,  
MAMI, ELSA,  
JLab-Hall A, ...

$q^2 = M_{inv}^2(e^+e^-) = M_{\gamma^*}^2 > 0$

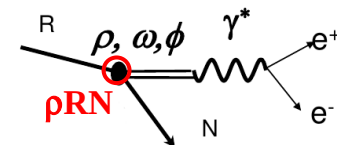


R  $\rightarrow$  N Transition  
Form Factor

$$\frac{d\Gamma(\Delta \rightarrow Ne^+e^-)}{dq^2} = f(m_\Delta, q^2) \left( |G_M^2(q^2)| + 3|G_E^2(q^2)| + \frac{q^2}{2m_\Delta^2} |G_C^2(q^2)| \right)$$

**QED**  
transition  
of point-like  
particles

**$G_{M/E/C}$** : Form-Factors ( $A_{1/2}, A_{3/2}, S_{1/2}$ )  
internal structure of hadrons





# Combined Partial Wave Analysis of hadronic 2-pion channels and Dalitz decays

Bn-Ga PWA: [pwa.hisp.uni-bonn.de](http://pwa.hisp.uni-bonn.de)

**2π data included in the fit**

Reaction	Observable	W (GeV)	
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 p$	DCS, Tot	1.2-1.9	MAMI
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 p$	E	1.2-1.9	MAMI
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 p$	DCS, Tot	1.4-2.38	CB-ELSA
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 p$	$P, H$	1.45-1.65	CB-ELSA
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 p$	$T, P_x, P_y$	1.45-2.28	CB-ELSA
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 p$	$P_x, P_x^c, P_x^s$ (4D)	1.45-1.8	CB-ELSA
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 p$	$P_y, P_y^c, P_y^s$ (4D)	1.45-1.8	CB-ELSA
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- p$	DCS	1.7-2.3	CLAS
$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- p$	$I^c, I^s$	1.74-2.08	CLAS
$\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 n$	DCS	1.29-1.55	Crystal Ball
$\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- n$	DCS	1.45-1.55	HADES
$\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^- p$	DCS	1.45-1.55	HADES

## ρ meson production:

- s-channel  $D_{13}$  (N(1520) 3/2<sup>-</sup>)  
**dominant contribution**
- N(1520) → Nρ BR=12.2 +/- 2 %
- N(1535) → Nρ BR=3.2 +/- 0.6 %

## 8 new entries:

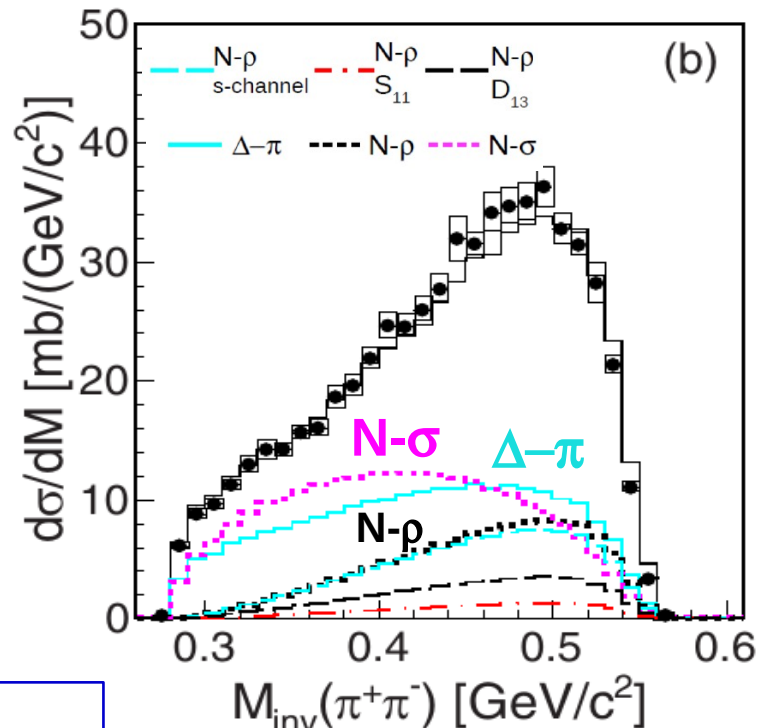
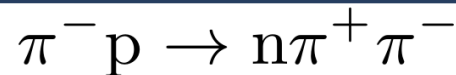
branching ratios of

N(1440)

N(1535)

N(1520)

to 2π channels ( $\Delta\pi$ , Nρ, Nσ)



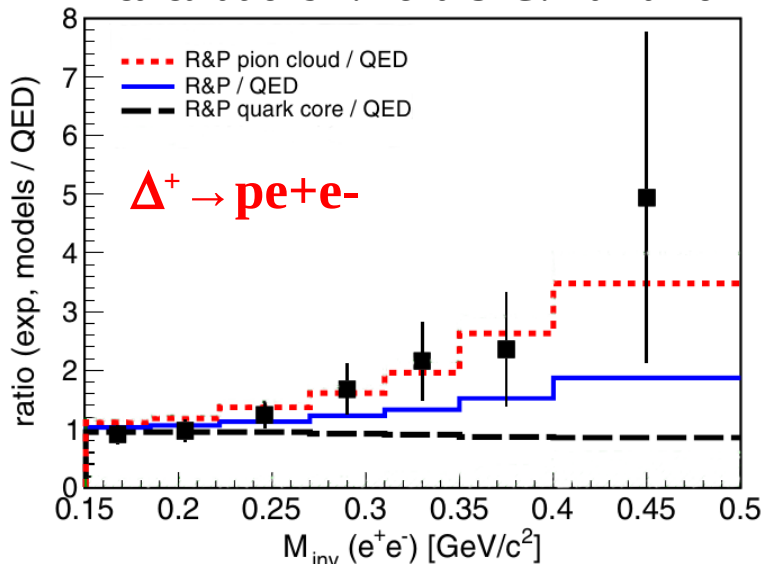
reference ρ meson mass spectrum  
for e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> analysis



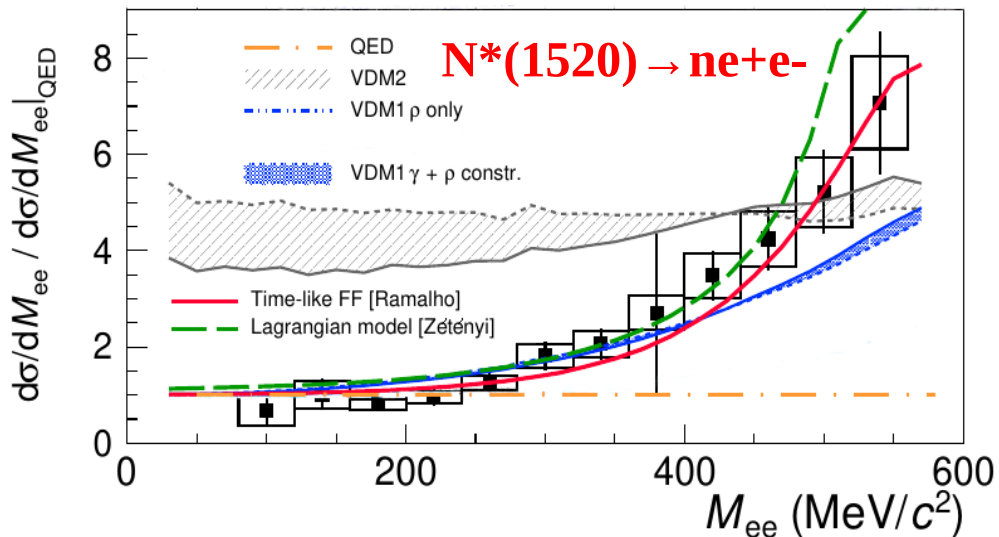
# Time-like transition form factors for nucleon resonances

## pp → ppe+e- @1.25 GeV

calculations T. Pena & G. Ramalho



## $\pi^- p \rightarrow ne+e^-$ @0.7 GeV/c



## effective eTFF

$$\frac{d\Gamma(\Delta \rightarrow Ne^+e^-)}{dq^2} = f(m_\Delta, q^2) \left( |G_M^2(q^2)| + 3|G_E^2(q^2)| + \frac{q^2}{2m_\Delta^2} |G_C^2(q^2)| \right)$$

QED

- VMD2 (*strict* VMD) overestimates data below 400 MeV
- 2-component VMD (VMD1) gives reasonable description
- Z&W: Lagrangian model – very promising
- R&P: Time-like FF - dominant pion cloud contribution (pion emFF)
- ➔ S. Leupold: FF based on dispersive framework



# Virtual photon polarization

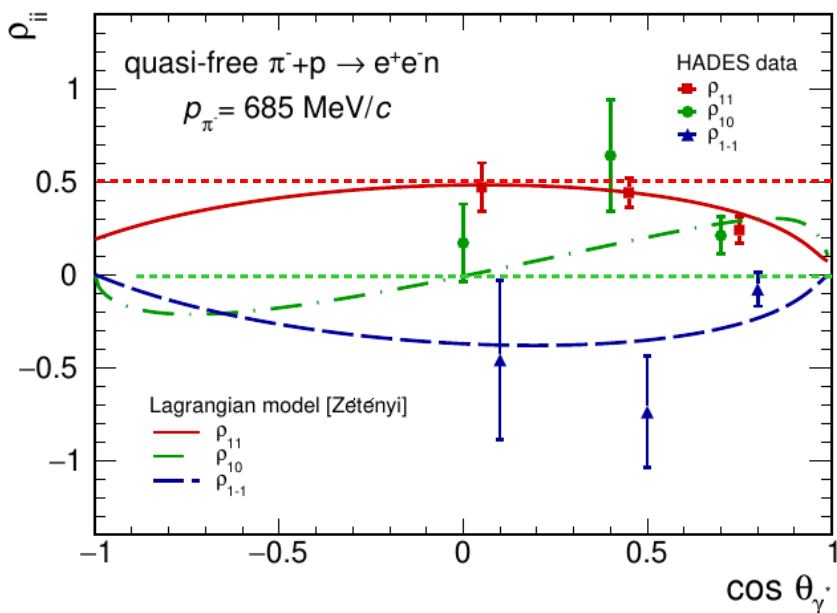
HADES Coll. arXiv:2205.15914 [nucl-ex]

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{dM_{ee}d\Omega_{\gamma^*}d\Omega_e} \sim |A|^2 = \frac{e^2}{Q^4} \sum_{\Lambda\Lambda'} \rho_{\Lambda\Lambda'}^{(H)} \rho_{\Lambda\Lambda'}^{(dec)} \quad \text{QED: } \gamma^* \rightarrow e+e-$$

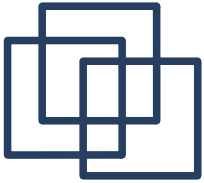
$R \rightarrow N + \gamma^*$

$$|A|^2 \propto 8k^2 [1 - \rho_{11} + (3\rho_{11} - 1) \cos^2 \Theta + \sqrt{2} \text{Re} \rho_{10} \sin 2\Theta \cos \phi + \text{Re} \rho_{1-1} \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi]$$

- SDME  $\rho_{11}$ ,  $\rho_{10}$ ,  $\rho_{1-1}$  extracted from experiment taking into account acceptance and efficiency (A. Sarantsev) in 3 bins in  $\cos\theta_{\gamma^*}$



- $\rho_{11} = 0.5$ ,  $\rho_{10} = 0$  for transverse polarization
- (real photon)
- we see angular dependence  
 => contribution from a virtual photon
- => contributions of spins larger than  $\frac{1}{2}$ :  
 N(1520) resonance
- **more precise data needed !**



Backup

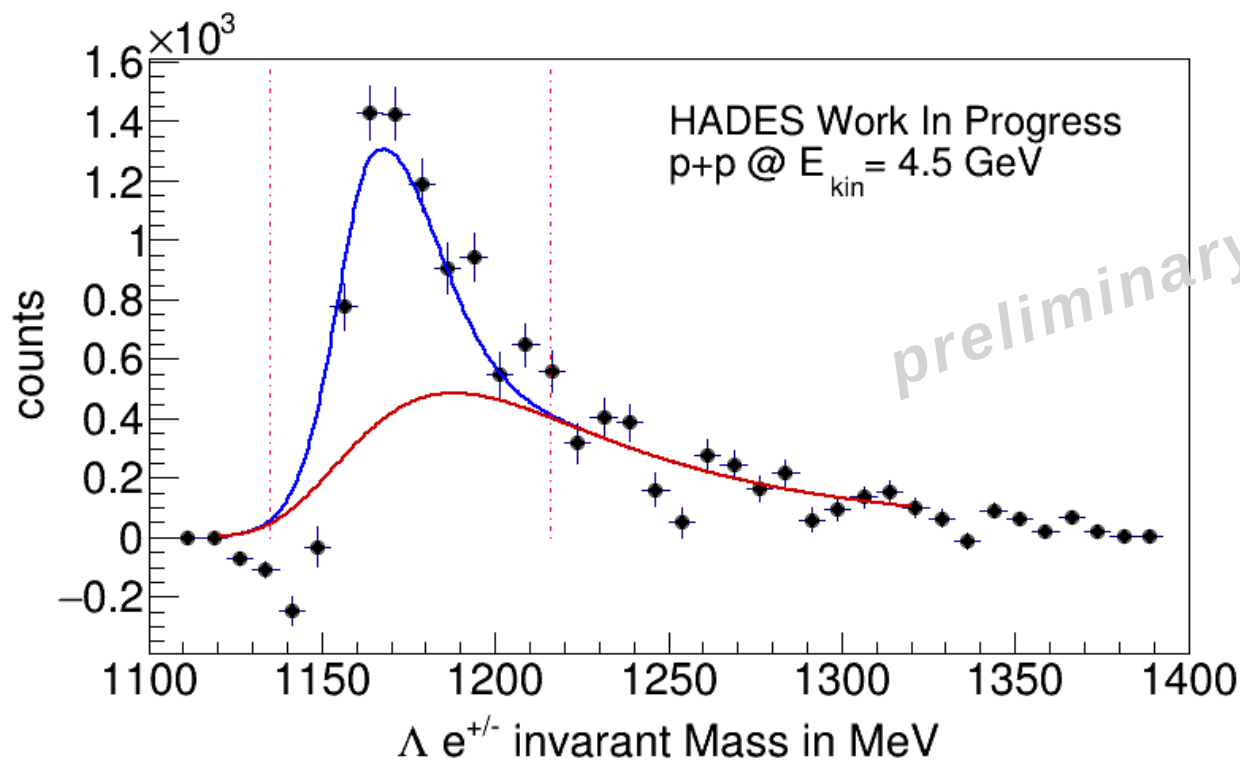


# Time-like transition form factors for hyperons

$pp \rightarrow pp\pi e^+e^-$  @4.5 GeV

Jana Rieger (PhD)

$\Sigma^0(1192) \rightarrow \Lambda e^+e^-$  Dalitz decay





# Dalitz decays of baryon resonances

## Vector Meson Dominance Models (VMD)

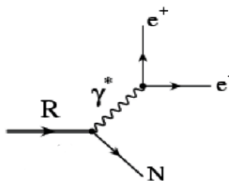
hadrons  $\longleftrightarrow$  photons

**Meson** Dalitz decays: (Crystal Ball/TAPS, A2, Na60 data), many theoretical studies

**Baryons** Dalitz decays: (Hades), most of the calculations of eTFF are based on VMD

### → QED “point-like”

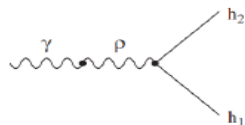
$R$ - $\gamma^*$  vertex



*M. Zetenyi et al.,  
PRC 67, 044002 (2003)*

### → strict VMD (VMD2)

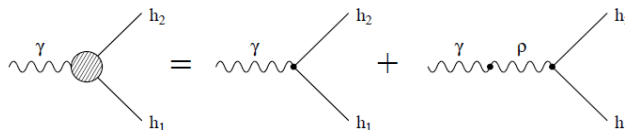
- $N\rho$  coupling
- used in HI transport models



$$\Gamma_{\rho}^{VDM2} = \left(\frac{M_0}{M}\right)^3 \Gamma_{\rho}^0$$

*Sakurai, Phys. Rev 22 (1969) 981*  
*M. I. Krivoruchenko et al.,  
Ann. Phys. 296, 299 (2002)*

### → 2-component VMD (VMD1)



*Kroll, Lee & Zuminio  
Phys. Rev. 157, 1376 (1967)*

- $N\rho$  and  $N\gamma$  couplings
- used in calculations of in-medium spectral functions

$$\Gamma_{\rho}^{VDM1} = \left(\frac{M}{M_0}\right) \Gamma_{\rho}^0$$





# etFF of baryons: models

## Covariant quark model +VMD

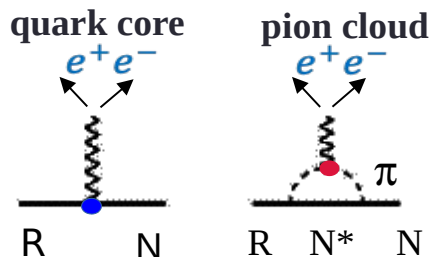
T. Pena & G. Ramalho

N- $\Delta(1232)$ : *Phys.Rev. D93, 033004 (2016)*

N-N(1520): *Phys. Rev. D95, 014003 (2017)*

N-N(1535): *Phys.Rev. D101, 114008 (2020)*

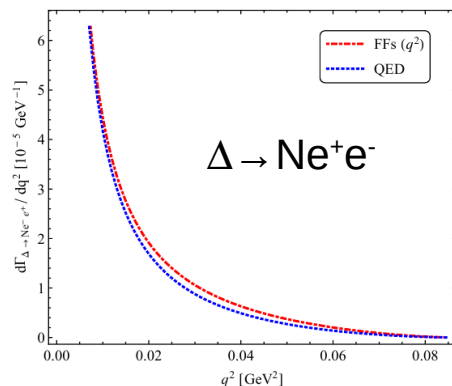
VMD:  
quark FF  
pion FF



## Dispersion theory

S. Leupold et al.

S. Leupold  
*arXiv:2401.17756 (2024)*



## Two-component Lagrangian model

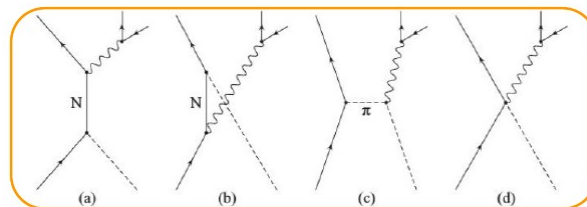
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*PRC 86, 065209 (2012)*

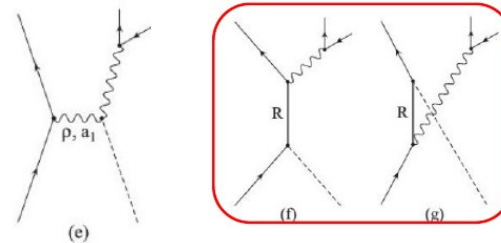
*PRC 104, 015201 (2021)*

microscopic calculations of  $\pi N \rightarrow Ne+e^-$

### Born terms

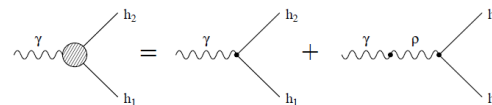


### baryon resonances



N\*(1440)  
N\*(1520)  
N\*(1535)

### 2-component VMD:



interference  
between  
 $\gamma$  and  $\rho$   
contributions



# Virtual photon polarization

*E. Speranza et al. Phys. Lett. B764, 282 (2017)*

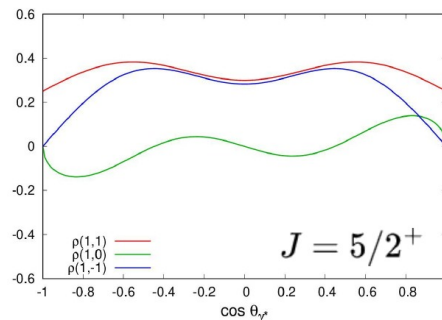
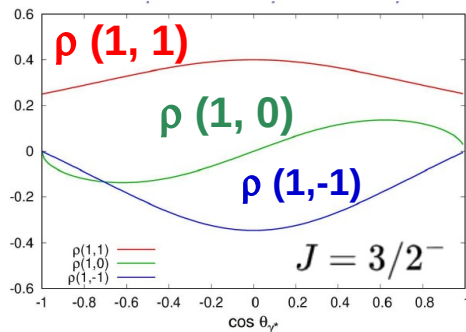
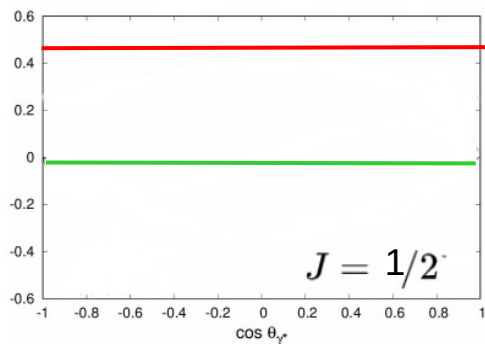
angular distribution of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  polarization of  $\gamma^* \rightarrow$  spin density matrix elements ( $\rho_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ )

$$\pi N \rightarrow N\gamma^* \rightarrow Ne^+e^- \quad \frac{d^3\sigma}{dM_{ee}d\Omega_{\gamma^*}d\Omega_e} \sim |A|^2 = \frac{e^2}{Q^4} \sum_{\Lambda\Lambda'} \rho_{\Lambda\Lambda'}^{(H)} \rho_{\Lambda\Lambda'}^{(dec)} \quad \text{QED: } \gamma^* \rightarrow e^+e^-$$

$R \rightarrow N + \gamma^*$

Angular distribution of the lepton pair:

$$|A|^2 \propto 8k^2 [1 - \rho_{11} + (3\rho_{11} - 1) \cos^2 \Theta + \sqrt{2} \text{Re} \rho_{10} \sin 2\Theta \cos \phi + \text{Re} \rho_{1-1} \sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\phi]$$

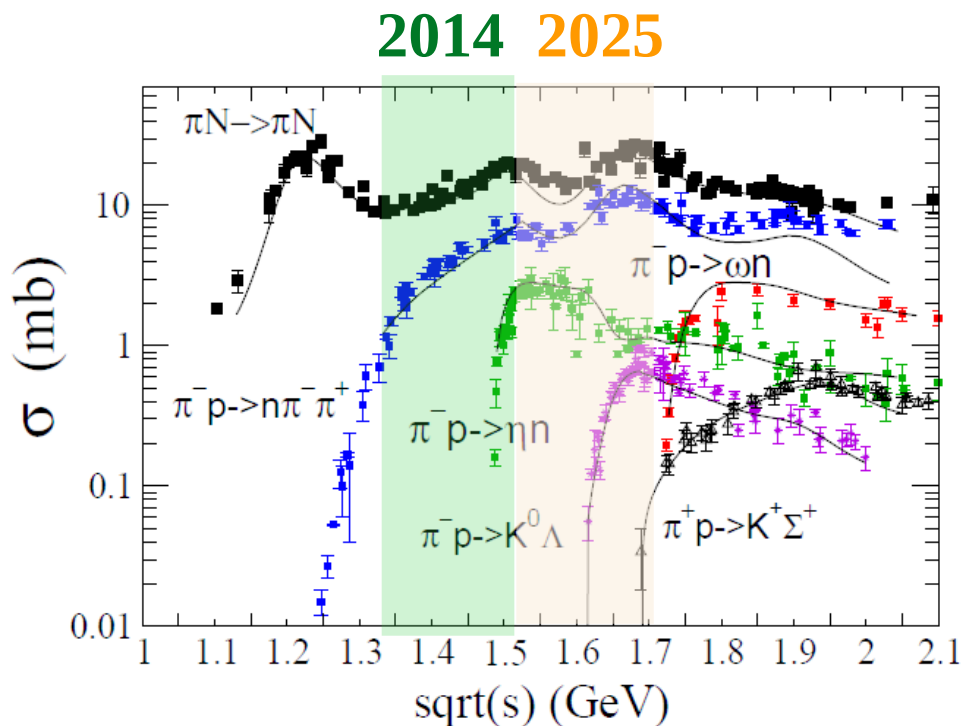


- $\rho_{\Lambda\Lambda}$  depends on  $\gamma^*$  polarization
- $\rho_{\Lambda\Lambda}$  are combination of  $G_E, G_M, G_C$
- **the angular distribution is sensitive to  $J^P$  of the resonance**
- can be obtain from fit to the experimental angular distribution



# OUTLOOK

## HADES Physics Program with Pion Beams explore the 3<sup>rd</sup> resonance region $\sqrt{s} = 1.7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



Beam energy scan **2025**:  
continuation and extension  
to 3<sup>rd</sup> resonance region

- 1) **Baryon-meson couplings:**
- 2)  $\rightarrow \pi\pi N, \omega n, \eta n, K^0\Lambda, K^0\Sigma, \dots$
- 3) including neutral mesons (ECAL),  
 $\rightarrow \rho R$  couplings S31(1620),
- 4) D33(1700), P13(1720),...
- 5) **Hyperon polarization:  $\Lambda, \Sigma$**
- 6) **Exotic states:**  
 $\rightarrow$  the lowest glueballs, 4q systems,  
hybrids, bound states of mesons:  
 $f_0(500), f_0(980), a_0(980), f_0(1370), \dots$   
 $\rightarrow$  unknown region of  $\text{inv}M(\pi\pi) \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$   
very precise data needed!

### CBM@ SIS100 pp @ 30 GeV

- prod. cross sec. higher than at SIS18:  
 $\sigma(\Sigma^*, \Lambda^*) \sim 1 \text{ mb}$
- much higher luminosity