Low-energy exclusive  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  hadrons cross sections and inclusive production of charged particles with Babar

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## Babar experiment

- PEP-II rings: asymmetric e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collider @ SLAC
- Collected data 1999-2008; data analysis still very active (~30 pubs. In 2013)



- CPV in B decays, CKM physics ~465 x 10<sup>6</sup> Y(4S)  $\rightarrow$  BB events
- ~650 x 10<sup>6</sup> e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightarrow$  cc events: D<sup>0</sup>- $\overline{D}^0$  mixing, charmonium states
- ~430 x 10<sup>6</sup> e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$  events: lepton flavor violation
- Initial-state γ radiation (ISR) events: access to low-energy e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> cross sections
- Other QCD topics: <u>hadron form factors</u>, light-hadron spectroscopy, <u>inclusive</u> <u>particle production</u>

## Recent "QCD" Topics from Babar

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(I) e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^-(\gamma) cross section (ISR)
[PRD 88, 032013 (2013)]
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- (II)  $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\overline{p}$  cross section (ISR, tagged  $\gamma$ ) [PRD 87, 092005 (2013)]
- (III) e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> → pp̄ cross section (ISR, untagged γ)
   [arXiv:1308.1795, submitted to PRD; preliminary]

(IV)  $e^+e^- \rightarrow K_s K_L(\pi^+\pi^-)$ ,  $K_s K_s \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $K_s K_s K^+ K^-$  cross sections (ISR) [preliminary]

(V) Inclusive charged π, K, and p production at 10.54 GeV [PRD 88, 032011 (2013)]

#### [PRD 88, 032013 (2013)]

Babar: broad ISR program for a precise low-energy measurement of

 $\mathsf{R} = \sigma \text{ (e}^+\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons)} / \sigma \text{ (e}^+\text{e}^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$ 



 $\rightarrow$  Now adding K<sup>+</sup>K<sup>-</sup>, K<sub>s</sub>K<sub>L</sub>, K<sub>s</sub>K<sub>S/L</sub> $\pi^{+}\pi^{-}$ , K<sub>s</sub>K<sub>s</sub>K<sup>+</sup>K<sup>-</sup> channels and updating pp

- Measure  $\sigma$  (e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightarrow$  X) versus m<sub>y\*</sub> = m<sub>X</sub> = E<sub>CM</sub> = Vs'
- Babar covers the complete set of significant exclusive channels
- Sum of exclusive channels more precise than an "inclusive"  $\gamma_{ISR}$ +hadrons measurement due to worse energy resolution for photons

#### $R = \sigma (e^+e^- \rightarrow hadrons) / \sigma (e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$ at low $E_{CM}$ :

- Needed for calculation of hadronic corrections to vacuum polarization
- Uncertainties due to vacuum polarization a limiting factor in precise comparison between data and theory for muon magnetic anomaly a<sub>u</sub>

$$\begin{array}{c} & & \vec{\mu}_{\mu} = \frac{-g_{\mu}e}{2m_{\mu}c}\vec{S} \qquad a_{\mu} = \frac{g_{\mu}-2}{2} \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\$$

 $a_{\mu}^{had}$  can't be calculated perturbatively:

→ Use measured low- $E_{CM} \xrightarrow{e^+e^-}$  → hadrons cross section & dispersion relations to calculate VP contribution to  $a_{\mu}^{had}$ 



- Higher-order radiation K<sup>+</sup>K<sup>-</sup>γ events included so that the efficiency can be controlled to the 10<sup>-3</sup> level
- Luminosity determined from  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$  events in the same sample
  - → reduced systematic uncertainties (no reliance on theoretical radiator function, which introduces uncertainties due to missing higher orders); no reliance on absolute luminosity measurement

#### Data sample: 232 fb<sup>-1</sup> at 10.54 GeV

- 2 tracks, opposite charge, p > 1 GeV, identified as kaons (dE/dx and DIRC)
- ≥ 1 photon with E\* > 3 GeV (\* = CM frame)
- ISR photon =  $\gamma$  with highest E\*



[event display courtesy of Dave Muller]

- $\gamma_{ISR}$  must lie within 0.3 radians of  $p_{miss}$  vector formed from all other particles  $\rightarrow$  strong background suppression against non-ISR events
- Background (π<sup>+</sup>π<sup>-</sup>γ, μ<sup>+</sup>μ<sup>-</sup>γ, K<sup>+</sup>K<sup>-</sup>π<sup>0</sup>γ, etc.) < 20% in all Vs' regions (usually much less) is subtracted</li>
- Cross section unfolded for detector resolution



#### **Babar results**

- cover large energy range
- six orders of magnitude
- more precise than previous results
   [DM1-2 = Orsay; SND, CMD, OLYA
  - = Novosibirsk low fixed-energy energy e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>]



Impact on contribution to muon anomaly from K<sup>+</sup>K<sup>-</sup>:

 $a_{\mu}^{KK,LO} = [22.93 \pm 0.18_{stat} \pm 0.22_{syst} \pm 0.03_{VP(\phi \text{ params.})}] \times 10^{-10}$ (1.2% precision)



versus previous world average [21.63  $\pm$  0.27<sub>stat</sub>  $\pm$  0.68<sub>syst</sub> ] x 10<sup>-10</sup> (3.3% precision)

#### Charged Kaon form factor:



- Above hadron-resonance region, data agree with shape of the QCD  $\alpha_{\text{s}}(\text{s}')/\text{s}'$  prediction
- Babar confirms discrepancy for predicted normalization seen by CLEO at fixed- $E_{CM}$  points

### $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\overline{p}$ cross section



Tagged analysis: [PRD 87, 092005 (2013)] [update of PRD 73, 012005 (2006) using twice as much data and improved techniques]



Untagged analysis: [arXiv:1308.1795 ; preliminary] [greatly Improves detection efficiency and precision of measurements for  $m_{00} > 3$  GeV]

### $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\overline{p}$ cross section

### **Untagged analysis: main selection variables**

- $p_T of p\overline{p} pair$  ( $p_T \approx 0$  for signal events)
- Missing mass-squared M<sup>2</sup><sub>miss</sub> recoiling against pp pair (expect M<sup>2</sup><sub>miss</sub> ≈ 0 for signal events)





### $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\overline{p}$ cross section

#### [PRD 87, 092005 (2013) and arXiv:1308.1795]

Proton form factor

0.2

0



- Confirm enhancement in the • threshold region
- Precise results over wide ٠ energy range
- Much increased precision at • high mass values from the untagged events



Bill Gary, ISMD 2013, September 20, 2013

### $e^+e^- \rightarrow K_S K_L$ cross section

#### [preliminary (Sept. 2013)]

- Exactly one  $K_s \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  candidate consistent with interaction point (IP)
- No charged tracks consistent with IP

K<sub>L</sub> detection efficiency measured using data:

• for dominant  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \phi \gamma_{ISR} \rightarrow K_S K_L \gamma_{ISR}$  channel, plot recoil mass against the  $K_S \gamma_{ISR}$  system

$$m_{rec}^2 = (E^+ + E^- - E_{\gamma} - E_{K_S^0})^2 - (\bar{p}^+ + \bar{p}^- - \bar{p}_{\gamma} - \bar{p}_{K_S^0})^2$$

- $\rightarrow$  clean K<sub>L</sub> signal, w.o. explicit K<sub>L</sub> selection
- Apply K<sub>L</sub> selection to this sample:
   → require an isolated EM cluster with
  - E > 0.2 GeV
  - < 0.5 rad. from expected  $K_L$  direction



→  $K_L$  detection efficiency  $\approx 48\%$  (6% lower than simulation) determined as a function of  $K_L$  energy and direction

### $e^+e^- \rightarrow K_S K_L$ cross section

#### [preliminary (Sept. 2013)]

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow K_S K_L$  nonresonant channel  $[m_{K_S K_I} = Vs' > 1.06 \text{ GeV}]$ 

 $\rightarrow$  significant background from  $e^+e^- \rightarrow K_S K_L(n\pi^0)$ ; n≥1 ISR events

- Examine all EM clusters except those assigned to the K<sub>L</sub> and  $\gamma_{ISR}$ , assume they are photons
- Plot  $E_{\gamma,max}$  versus  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  for all  $\gamma\gamma$  pairs
- Require  $E_{\gamma,max} < 0.5$  GeV in order to reduce background from  $n\pi^0$  events
- Data sidebands used to evaluate and subtract residual background



### $e^+e^- \rightarrow K_S K_L$ cross section

#### [preliminary (Sept. 2013)]



#### Babar data

- cover larger energy range
- are more precise than previous results

#### Clear evidence for the $\phi(1600)$

[≈1000 events in this region, compared to 58 for only previous measurement in this region: DM1 fixed energy e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> expt. (Orsay): PLB99 (1981) 261]

## First measurements ever of the e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> $\rightarrow$ K<sub>S</sub>K<sub>L</sub> $\pi^+\pi^-$ , K<sub>S</sub>K<sub>s</sub> $\pi^+\pi^-$ , K<sub>S</sub>K<sub>s</sub>K<sup>+</sup>K<sup>-</sup> cross section

#### [preliminary (Sept. 2013)]



#### [PRD 88, 032011 (2013)]

- Multiplicity and momentum spectra of identified charged hadrons represent basic characteristics of multihadronic events
- Global information on the hadronization process; how it depends on hadron mass and quantum numbers
- Basic information used to tune Monte Carlo event generators
- Energy evolution provides a test of perturbative QCD
- Precise measurements at 91 GeV (LEP and SLC)
- Only previous results in 10 GeV region had been from ARGUS (1989) [Belle: charged π<sup>±</sup> and K<sup>±</sup> fragmentation functions; PRL 111 (2013) 062002]
- Babar analysis: 0.91 fb<sup>-1</sup> of off-peak (continuum) data at 10.54 GeV
   ≈ 0.2% of data sample (results dominated by systematic uncertainties)

<u>Track selection</u>: p>200 MeV, d<sub>0</sub><1mm, trajectory intersects DIRC

- $\rightarrow$  good momentum resolution and PID
- → Particle ID from dE/dx and DIRC: ~90% efficient, <5% mis-ID

#### Event selection:

- Good vertex from ≥ 3 tracks
- Highest multiplicity vertex: d<sub>0</sub><5mm, z<sub>0</sub><5 cm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Fox-Wolfram moment < 0.9 (event is not pencil-like)
- $5 < E_{tot} < 14 \text{ GeV}$  ;  $|\cos\theta_{thrust}| < 0.8$

#### $\rightarrow$ 2.2 x 10<sup>6</sup> events, purity 95.4%

- Data control samples used to correct track-selection & particle-ID efficiencies
- Background is subtracted (main background: well understood  $\tau^+\tau^-$ )
- "Prompt" particles: decay products of  $K_s$ ,  $\Lambda$ , etc., NOT included

![](_page_19_Figure_1.jpeg)

Modified leading-logarithm approximation (MLLA):

 $\rightarrow$  calculations to all orders in  $\alpha_{\rm s}$ 

Local-parton-hadron duality (LPHD):

→ inclusive distributions of primary hadrons same as for partons up to normalization

MLLA+LPHD predictions:  $\xi = -\ln(x_p)$  spectra:

- Gaussian within one unit of peak
- Skewed Gaussian over wider range

HadronGaussianDistorted $\pi^{\pm}$ 0.92-3.270.22-3.27 $K^{\pm}$ 0.63-2.580.34-3.05 $p/\overline{p}$ 0.56-3.270.48-3.27

(require  $\chi^2$  probability > 0.01)

→ Data consistent with MLLA prediction, as also seen at higher energies

![](_page_20_Figure_12.jpeg)

- hypothesis
- $\rightarrow$  BaBar adds a high-precision low-energy data point

Peak  $\xi^*$  of the  $\xi$  = - ln (x<sub>p</sub>) distribution:

- $\rightarrow$  different slope for kaons due to changing flavor content?
- Decrease exponentially with hadron mass (fixed E<sub>CM</sub>):

![](_page_21_Figure_4.jpeg)

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**Inclusive**  $\pi^{\pm}$ , K<sup>±</sup>, and p, p production

 $10^{3}$ s = E<sup>2</sup><sub>CM</sub> (GeV<sup>2</sup>)  $\rightarrow$  but  $\xi^*$  for kaons and protons is about the same: prediction fails here (as also seen at higher energies)

10<sup>2</sup>

BaBa

2.0

1.5

 $10^{4}$ 

## Summary

- Comprehensive program for  $\sigma$  (e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>  $\rightarrow$  hadrons) at low E<sub>CM</sub> from the sum of exclusive channels; important for the g-2 prediction
- First Babar results on  $e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^-$ ,  $K_SK_L(\pi^+\pi^-)$ ,  $K_SK_s\pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $K_SK_sK^+K^-$ , and untagged pp (first results ever for the  $K_L$ ,  $K_S$  channels)
- Updated results on tagged  $e^+e^- \rightarrow p\overline{p}$
- Precise measurements of π<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, p, p production at 10.54 GeV allow new tests of QCD scaling predictions
- Babar conclusions for MLLA+LHPD similar to those from higherenergy experiments; add a high-precision, low-energy data point

![](_page_22_Picture_6.jpeg)

# **EXTRA SLIDES**

### Form factor expressions

$$|F_K|^2(s') = \frac{3s'}{\pi \alpha^2(0)\beta_K^3} \frac{\sigma_{KK}(s')}{C_{FS}}$$

$$eta_K = \sqrt{1 - 4m_K^2/s'}$$
 $C_{\mathrm{FS}} = 1 + rac{lpha}{\pi}\eta_K(s')$ 
(final-state Coulomb correction)

$$\sigma_{p\bar{p}}(M_{p\bar{p}}) = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2\beta C}{3M_{p\bar{p}}^2} \left[ |G_M(M_{p\bar{p}})|^2 + \frac{2m_p^2}{M_{p\bar{p}}^2} |G_E(M_{p\bar{p}})|^2 \right]$$
$$\beta = \sqrt{1 - 4m_p^2/M_{p\bar{p}}^2}, \ C = y/(1 - e^{-y})$$
$$y = \pi\alpha(1 + \beta^2)/\beta$$

## Hadronic contributions to a<sup>had</sup>

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7	Channel	$a_{\mu}(had) (10^{-11})$	
		BABAR	world average w/o <i>BABAR</i>
	$\pi\pi(\gamma)$	$5141 \pm 22 \pm 31$	$5056\pm30$
	$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$	$136.4 \pm 0.3 \pm 3.6$	$139.5\pm9.0$
	$K^+K^-$	$229.3 \pm 1.8 \pm 2.2$	$216.3 \pm 2.7 \pm 6.8$

From Frank Porter, APS 2013 meeting (UC Santa Cruz)

- Precision on  $\pi^+\pi^-$  comparable with previous WA
- Precision on  $4\pi$  factor 2.6 better than previous WA
- Precision on K<sup>+</sup>K<sup>-</sup> factor 3 better than previous WA

$$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$$
 PRD **85** 112009 (2012)  
 $\pi\pi(\gamma)$  PRD **86** 032013 (2012)

Measured value of  $a_u \sim 3.6\sigma$  larger than SM prediction

![](_page_26_Figure_1.jpeg)