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## **Microscopic parametrization of the near threshold oscillations of the nucleon time- like effective electromagnetic form factors**

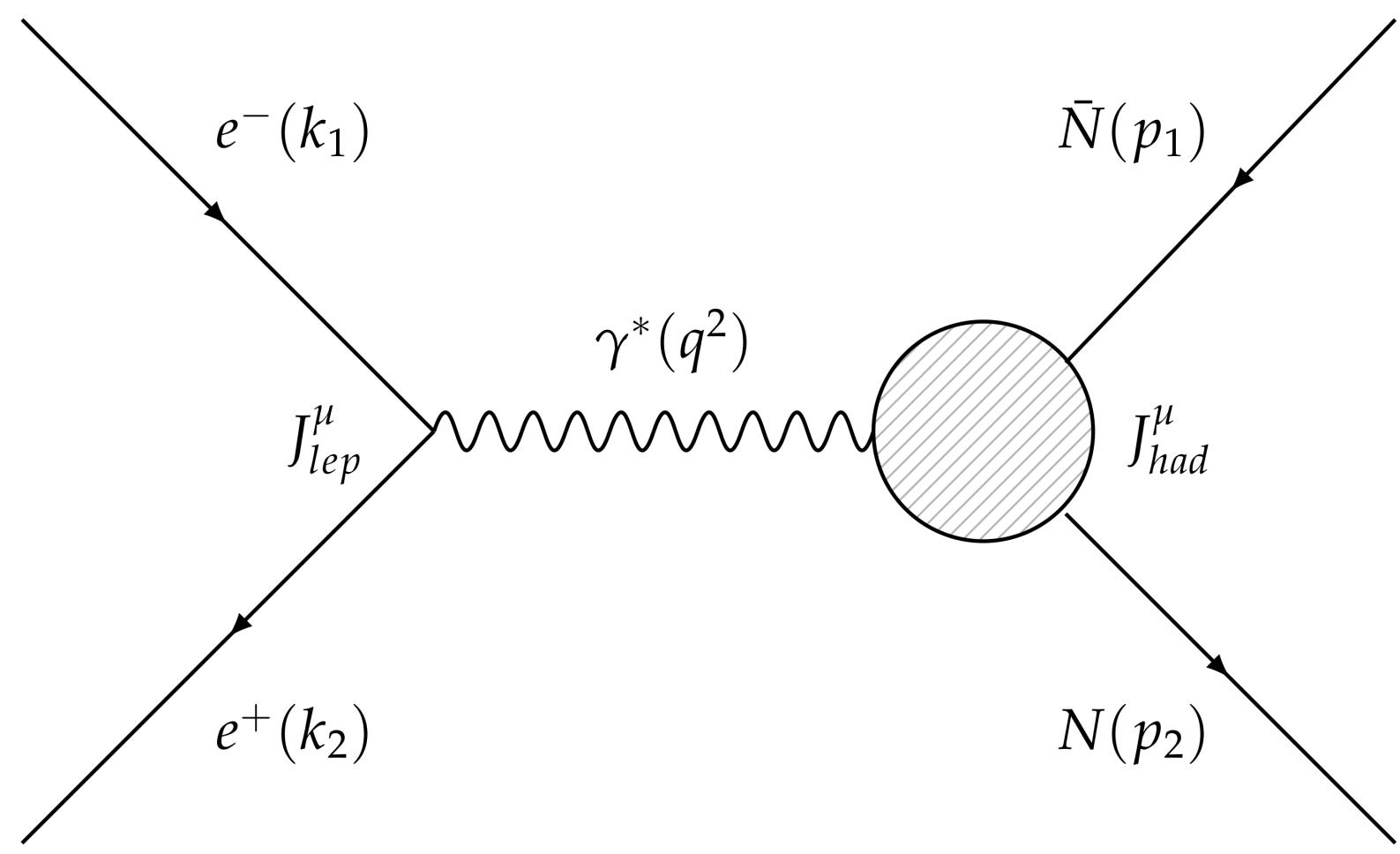
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# NUCLEON FORM FACTORS



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- Baryon form factors are functions of the four momentum squared
- In the Breit frame,  $G_{E(M)}$  represents the electric charge (magnetic momentum) density's Fourier Transforms

$$J_{had}^\mu = \bar{u}(p_1, \lambda'_1)(-ie\Gamma^\mu)v(p_2, \lambda'_2)$$

$$\mathcal{M} = J_{had}^\nu \left( -i \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{q^2} \right) J_{lep}^\mu$$

$$\Gamma^\mu = F_1(Q^2) \gamma^\mu + F_2(Q^2) i \frac{\sigma^{\mu\nu}}{2M_N} q_\nu$$

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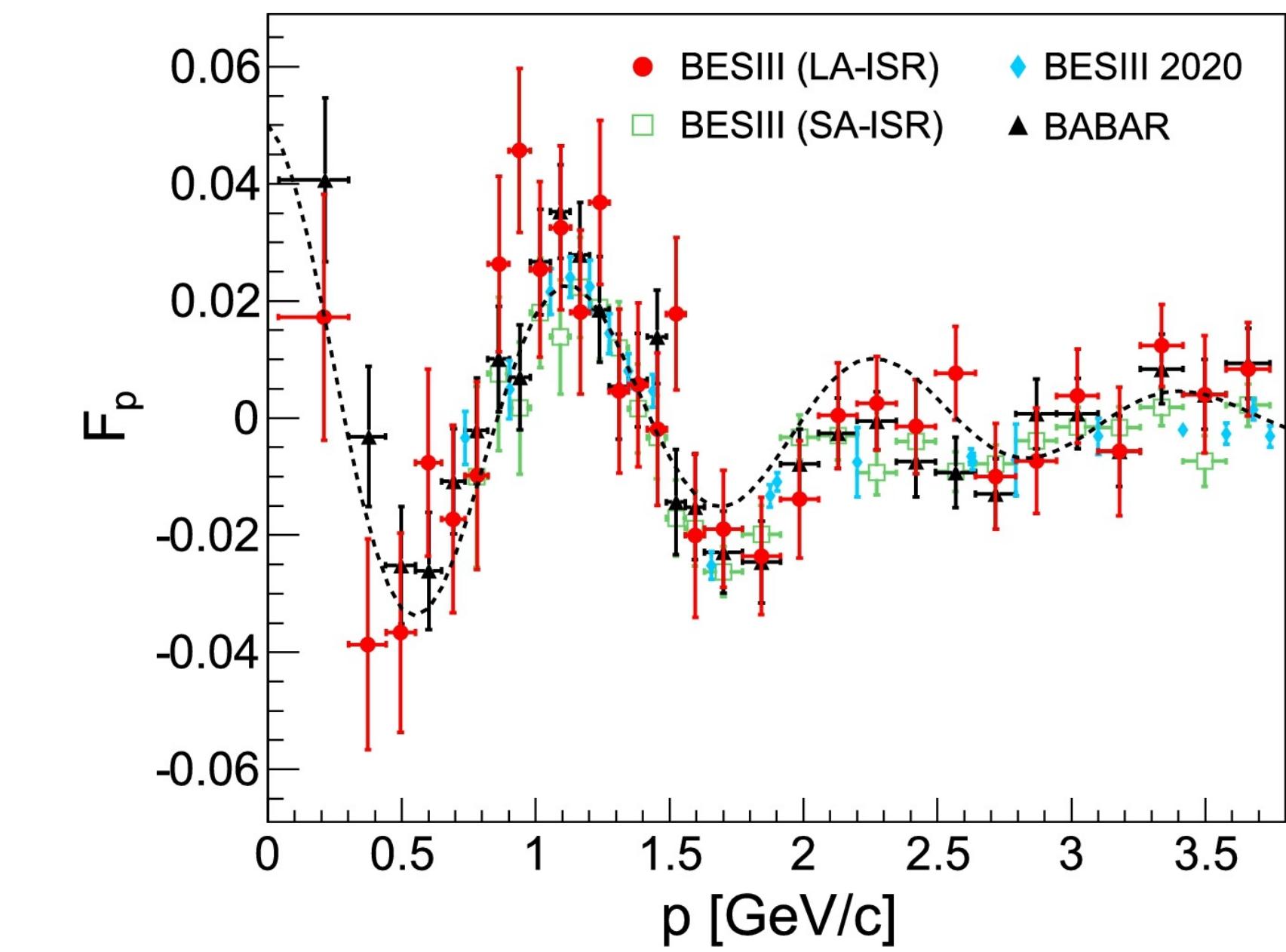
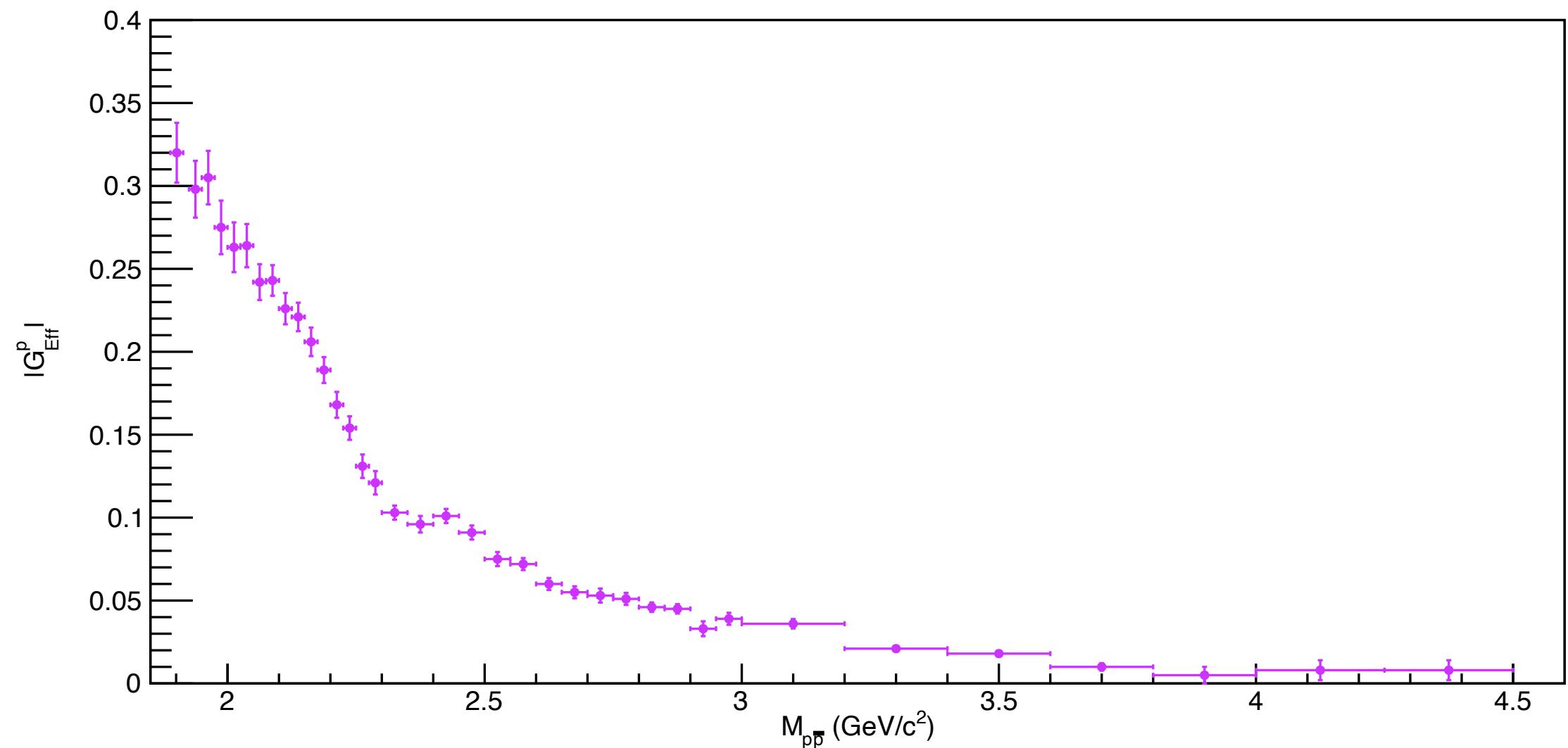
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Pauli

$$\begin{cases} G_E = F_1 - \tau F_2, \\ G_M = F_1 + F_2, \end{cases} \quad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M_N^2}$$

$$\begin{cases} G_E(0) = Q_N \\ G_M(0) = \mu_N \end{cases}$$

# NUCLEON FORM FACTORS OSCILLATIONS



M. Ablikim et al. "Measurement of proton electromagnetic form factors in the time-like region using initial state radiation at BESIII". In: Physics Letters B 817 (2021), p. 136328. issn: 0370-2693. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.physletb.2021.136328>. url: <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0370269321002689>.

$$\left| G_{\text{Eff}}^{p,n} \right| = \sqrt{\frac{2\tau \left| G_M^{p,n} \right|^2 + \left| G_E^{p,n} \right|^2}{2\tau + 1}}$$

- High precision data are required
- The subtraction of the time-like dipole behaviour shows the oscillations

# BARYONIC STATES IN LIGHT-FRONT QUANTIZATION

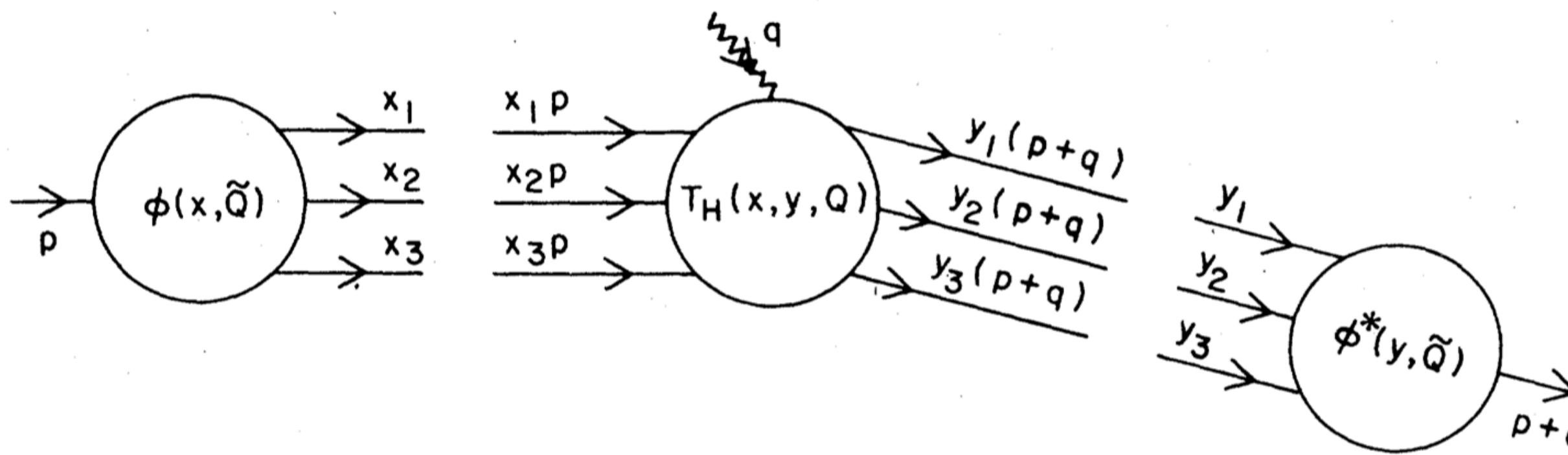
$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_n \int [d\mu_n] \langle \mu_n | \psi; M, P^+, \vec{P}_\perp, S^2, S_z; h \rangle |\mu_n\rangle$$

$$|{\text{baryon}}\rangle = |0\rangle + \cancel{|qqq\rangle} + |qqqg\rangle + \dots$$

Leading Order

$$[d\mu_n] = [dx_n] [d^2 k_{n\perp}] = \delta\left(1 - \sum_{j=1}^{N_n} x_j\right) \delta^{(2)}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_n} \vec{k}_{j\perp}\right) \prod_{i=1}^{N_n} dx_i d^2 k_{i\perp}$$

$$\langle P' | J^+ | P \rangle = \int [dx] \int [dy] \varphi^*(y, Q^2) T_H(x, y, Q^2) \varphi(x, Q^2) \Rightarrow \text{Factorization}$$



- At the leading order, the baryonic state is represented by three collinear quarks
- The hard scattering kernel  $T_H$  describes the subnuclear process

# THREE QUARK OPERATORS

$$4 \langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} u_\alpha^i(a_1 z) u_\beta^j(a_2 z) d_\gamma^k(a_3 z) | P(P, \lambda) \rangle$$

$$\stackrel{L.T.}{=} V_1 \left( P^\nu \gamma_\nu C \right)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma_5 N)_\gamma + A_1 \left( P^\nu \gamma_\nu \gamma_5 C \right)_{\alpha\beta} N_\gamma + T_1 \left( P^\nu i \sigma_{\mu\nu} C \right)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma^\mu \gamma_5 N)_\gamma$$

- The three quark matrix element can be parametrized
- The parametrising functions are called Light Cone Distribution Amplitudes (LCDAs)
- The LCDAs are functions for the light like four-vector  $z$
- It is best to operate in the four-momenta space, thus defining the LCDAs Fourier transforms as

$$F(a_i p \cdot z) = \int [dx] \tilde{F}(x_i) e^{-ipz \sum_i a_i x_i}$$

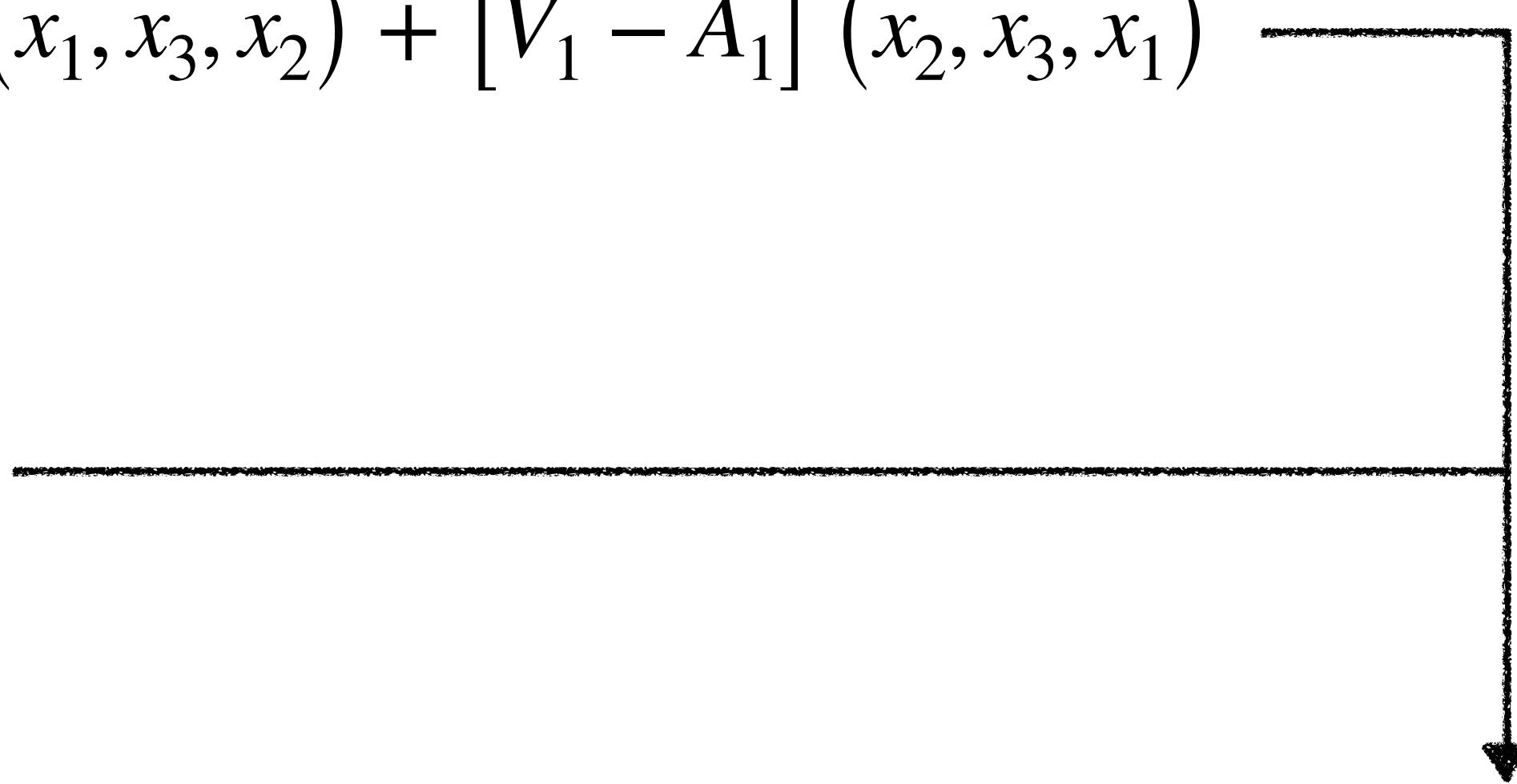
$$x_i = \frac{k_i^+}{p^+}, \quad \sum_{i=1}^3 x_i = 1$$

# THREE QUARK OPERATORS

- By using  $u$  and  $d$  quarks symmetry, it remains only one independent twist-3 LCDA

$$\text{Isospin } 1/2 \text{ requirement} \Rightarrow 2T_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = [V_1 - A_1](x_1, x_3, x_2) + [V_1 - A_1](x_2, x_3, x_1)$$

$$u-d \text{ symmetry} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} V_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = V_1(x_2, x_1, x_3) \\ A_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = -A_1(x_2, x_1, x_3) \\ T_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = T_1(x_2, x_1, x_3) \end{cases}$$

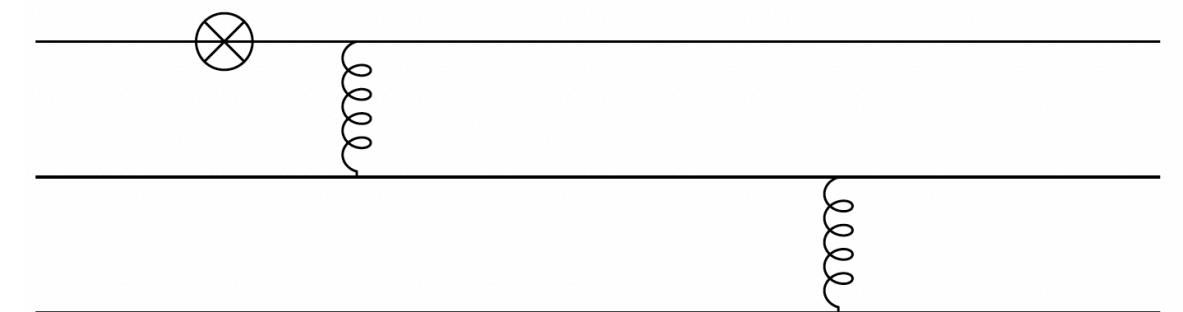
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- Only one independent LCDA remaining:  
 $\varphi_N(x_1, x_2, x_3) = V_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) - A_1(x_1, x_2, x_3)$

# CHERNYAK-ZHITNITSKY FORMULA

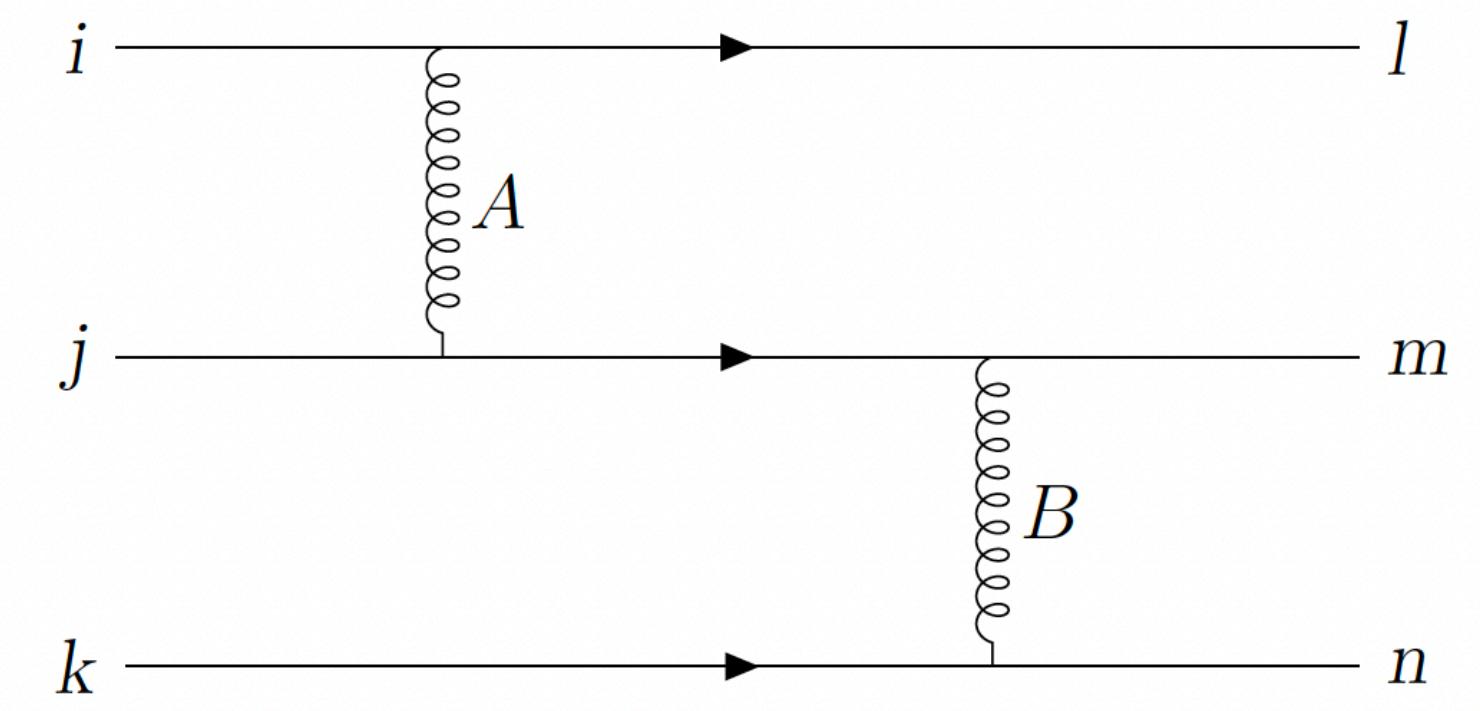
$$q^4 G_M(q^2) = -\frac{(4\pi\bar{\alpha}_s)^2}{54} |f_N|^2 \int [dx] \int [dy] \left\{ 2 \sum_{i=1}^7 e_i T_i(x,y) + \sum_{i=8}^{14} e_i T_i(x,y) \right\}$$

Initial State Final State

$$\text{Es: } i = 1 \Rightarrow T_1(x, y) = \frac{\varphi_N(x)\varphi_N(y) + 4T(x)T(y)}{(1-x_1)^2 x_3 (1-y_1)^2 y_3}$$



- Form factor behaviour determined mostly by the running coupling constant  $\bar{\alpha}_s(q^2)$
  - Through symmetry relations, the minimal number of leading twist contributing diagrams is 14



# Leading twist diagrams contributing to the hard scattering kernel $T_H$

# CONFORMAL EXPANSION

$$\varphi_N(\mathbf{x}, Q^2) = \underbrace{120x_1x_2x_3}_{\varphi_{as}(\mathbf{x})} \sum_n B_n P_n(\mathbf{x}) \left( \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{\alpha_s(\mu^2)} \right)^{\gamma_n/\beta_0}$$

$$\langle 0 | \varepsilon^{ijk} u_i^\uparrow(a_1 z) C \gamma^\mu n_\mu u_j^\downarrow(a_2 z) \gamma^\mu n_\mu d_k^\uparrow(a_3 z) | P(P, \lambda) \rangle$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \cancel{f_N}(pn) N^\uparrow(p) \int [dx] \exp \left[ -ipn(a_1 z x_1 + a_2 z x_2 + a_3 z x_3) \right] \varphi_N(x_1, x_2, x_3, \mu^2)$$


Nucleonic Function @ the origin

- The expression of the polynomials  $P_n(\mathbf{x})$  and of the anomalous dimensions  $\gamma_n$  have to be determined, using the  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}$  conformal invariance

# CONFORMAL BASIS: THE APPELL POLYNOMIALS

$n$	$M$	$P_n$	$\gamma_n/\beta_0$	$N_n$
0	0	1	2/27	120
1	1	$x_1 - x_3$	26/81	1260
2	1	$-2 + 3x_1 + 3x_3$	10/27	420
3	2	$2 - 7x_1 - 7x_3 + 8x_1^2 + 8x_3^2 + 4x_1x_3$	38/81	1756
4	2	$x_1 - x_3 - \frac{4}{3}x_1^2 + \frac{4}{3}x_3^2$	46/81	34020
5	2	$2 - 7x_1 - 7x_3 + \frac{14}{3}x_1^2 + \frac{14}{3}x_3^2 + 14x_1x_3$	16/27	1944

- The conformal basis is identified in the normalised Appell polynomials
- They are defined in the triangle  $T = \left\{ (x_1, x_3) \in [0,1]^2 \subset \mathbb{R}^2 : x_1 + x_3 \leq 1 \right\}$

# NEAR THRESHOLD PARAMETERS

$$B_0 = 1$$

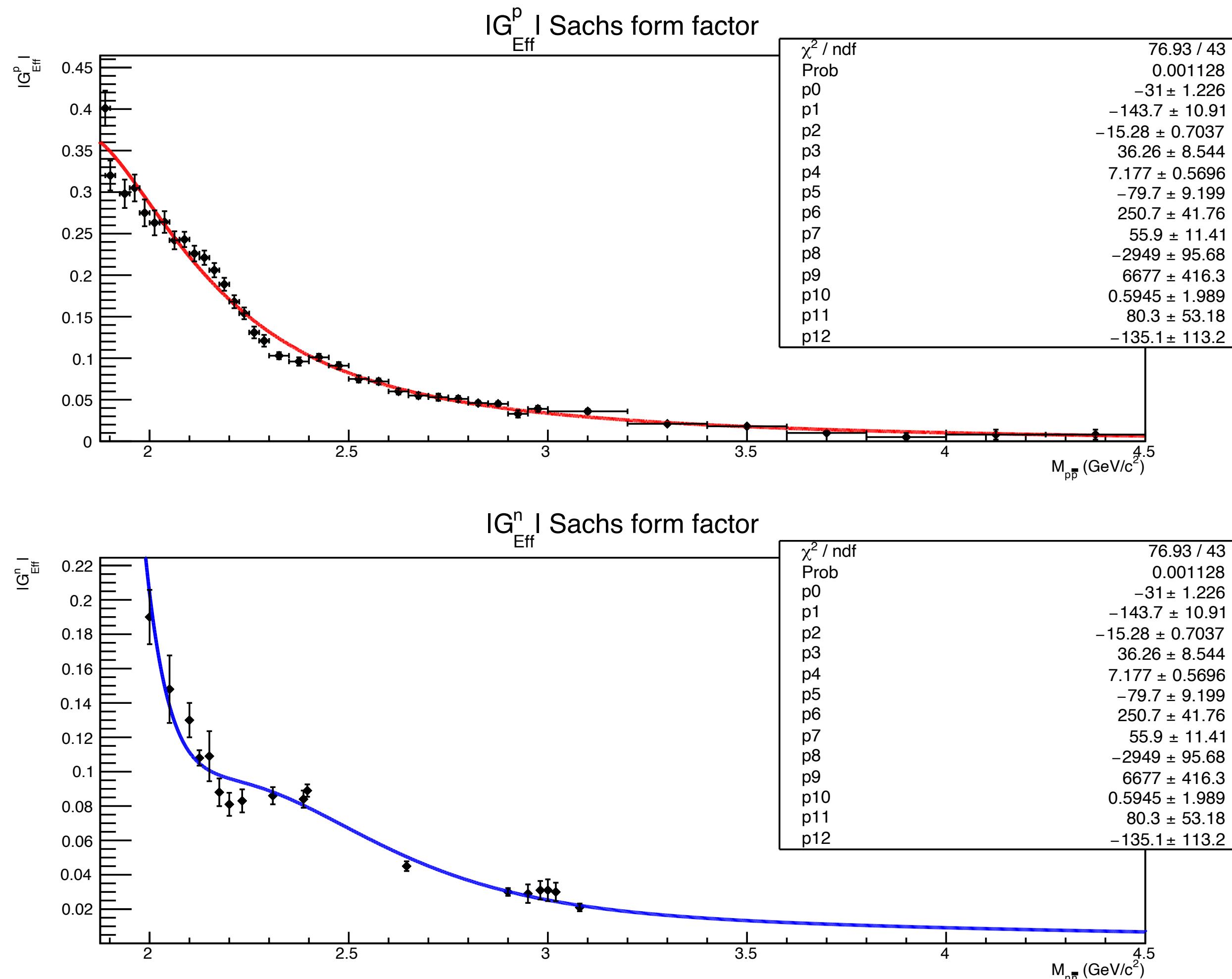
$$B_n(Q^2) = b_0^{(n)} + \frac{b_1^{(n)}}{Q^2}, \quad n = 1, 2$$

$$B_m(Q^2) = b_0^{(m)} + \frac{b_1^{(m)}}{Q^2} + \frac{b_2^{(m)}}{(Q^2)^2}, \quad m = 3, 4, 5$$

- The procedure encodes the effective form factor's oscillations to the three quark model
- The evolution equation's effect is negligible in comparison to the  $\alpha_s$  and  $B_n$  coefficients evolution

- A dependance over the negative powers of  $q^2$  is proposed
- $B_0$  is fixed since it is related to the normalization of  $\varphi_N(\mathbf{x})$

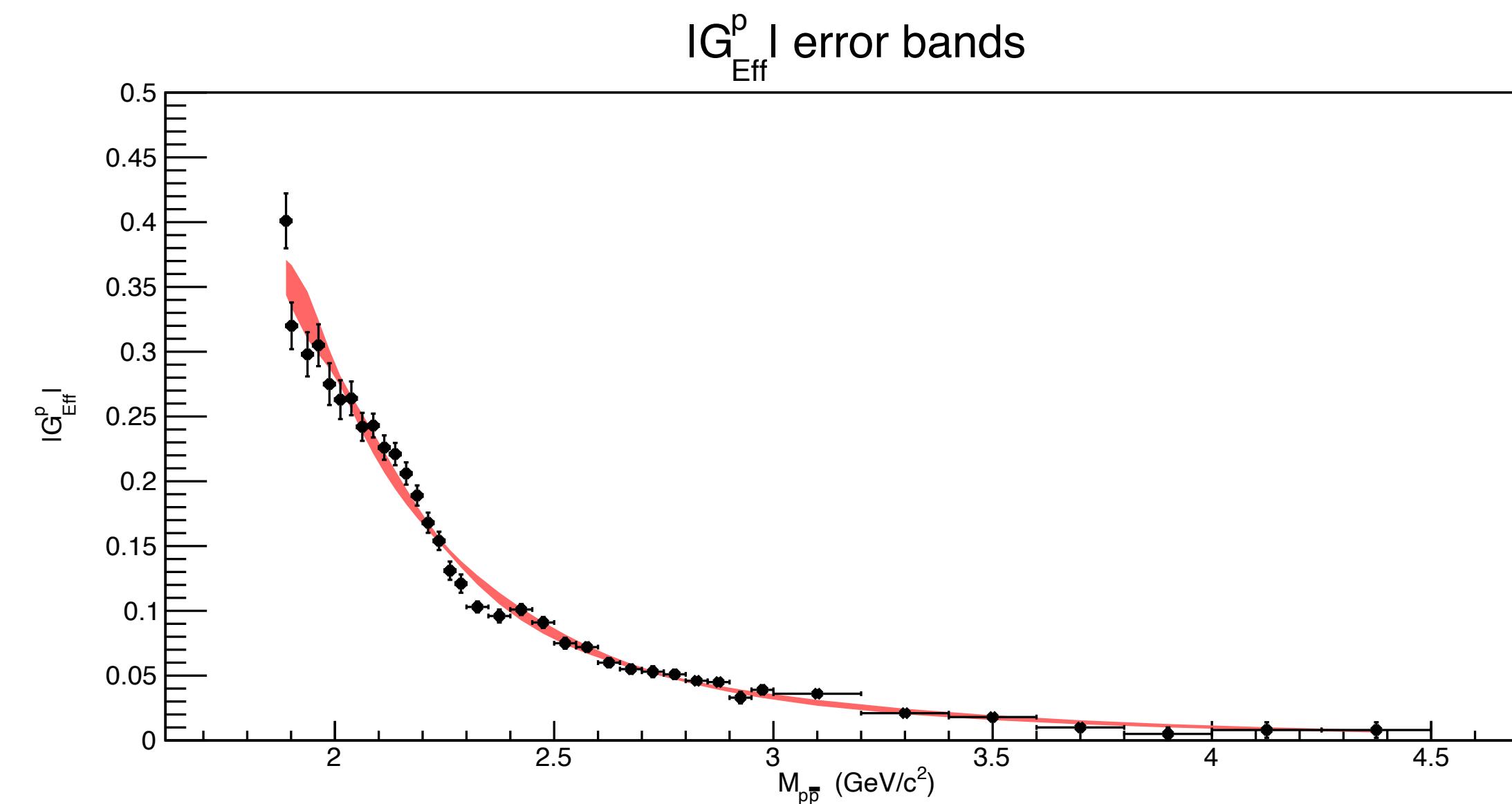
# MODEL'S RESULTS



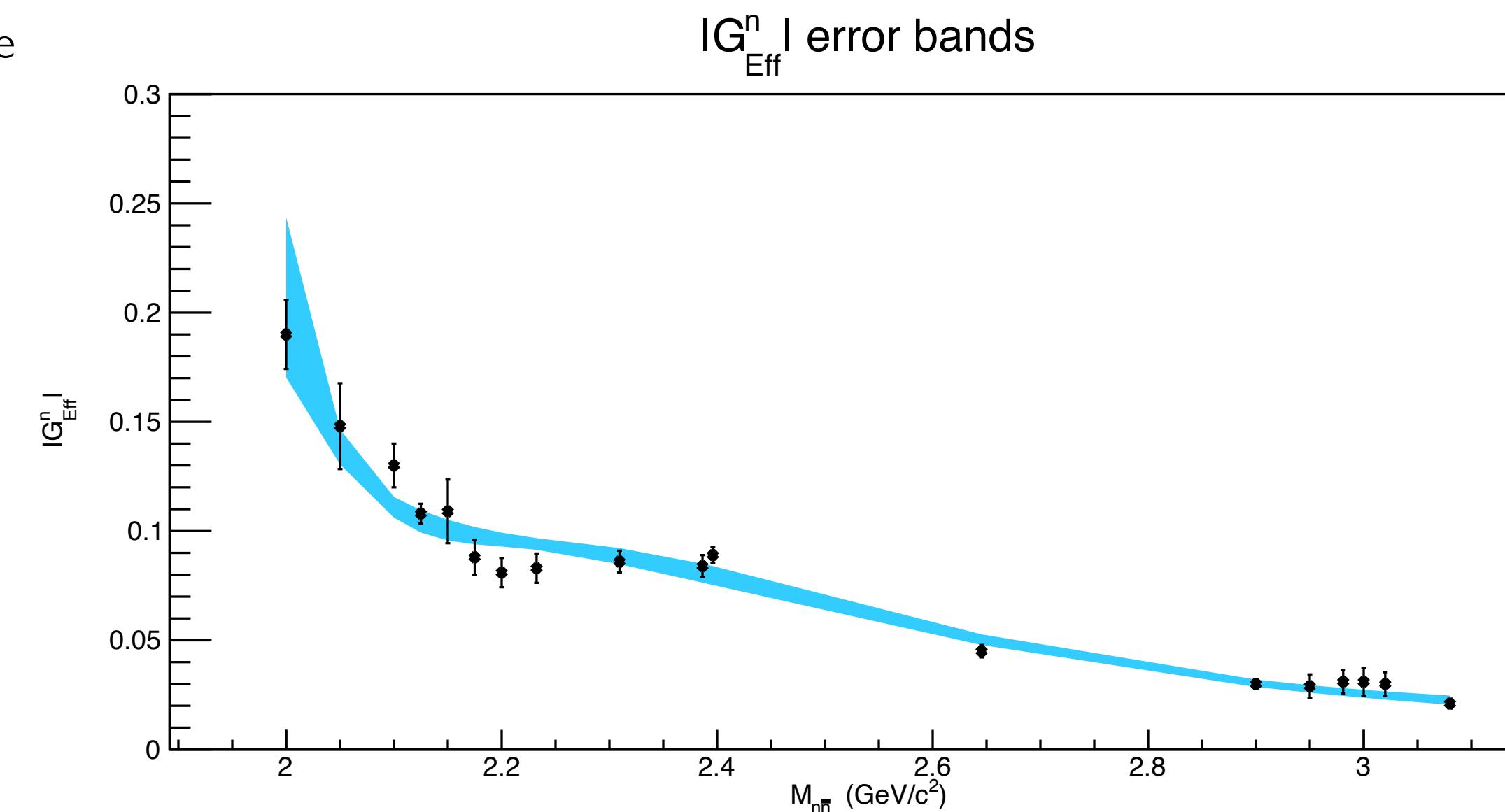
- Isospin symmetry of the nucleons
- Simultaneous fit for proton and nucleon, sharing the same parameters
- Near threshold oscillations for the neutron

Simultaneous fit for proton and neutron using our model's parameters

# MODEL'S RESULTS - ERROR BANDS

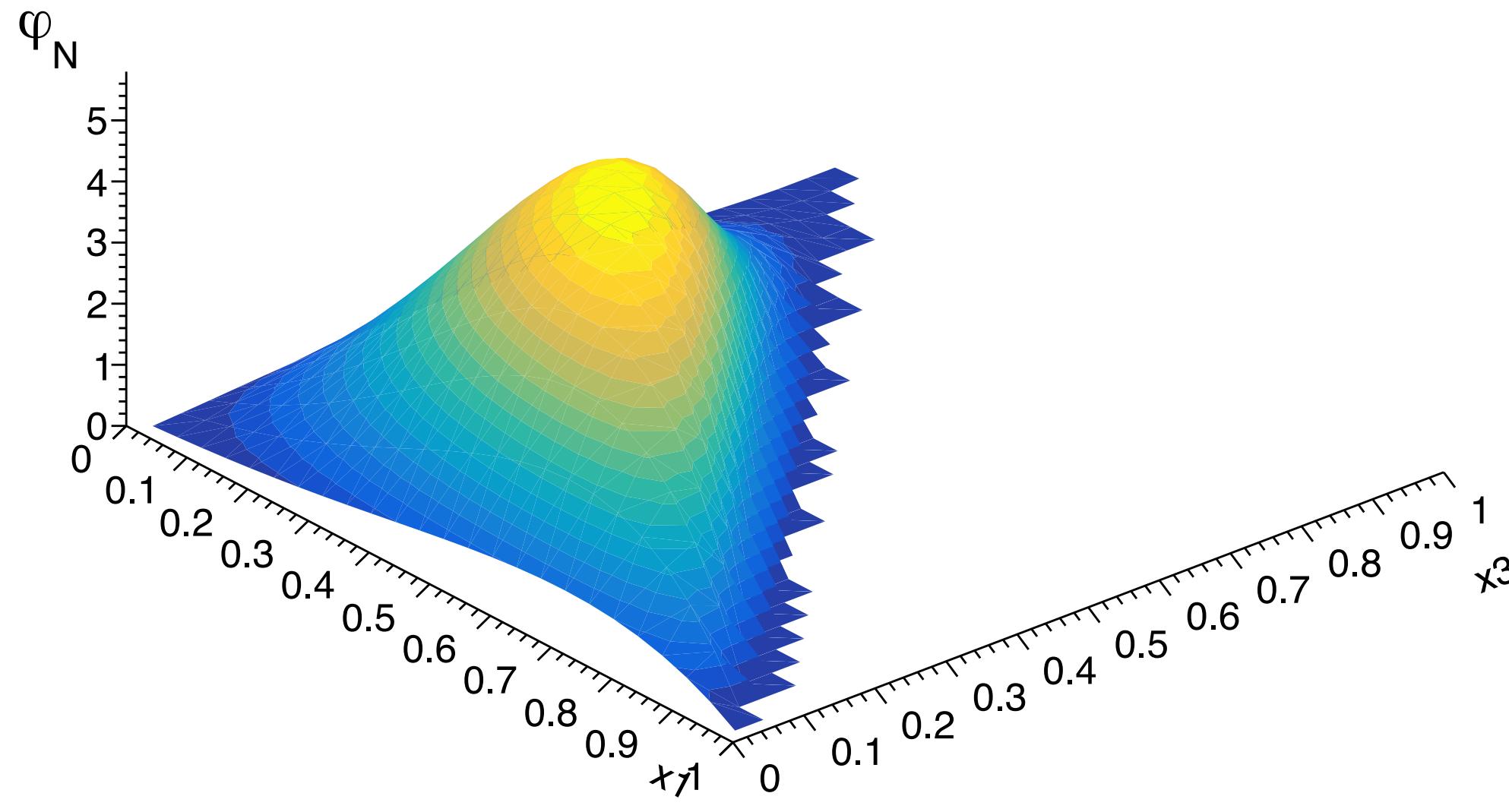


Proton and neutron effective form factors error bands



Gaussian Variation of the data points

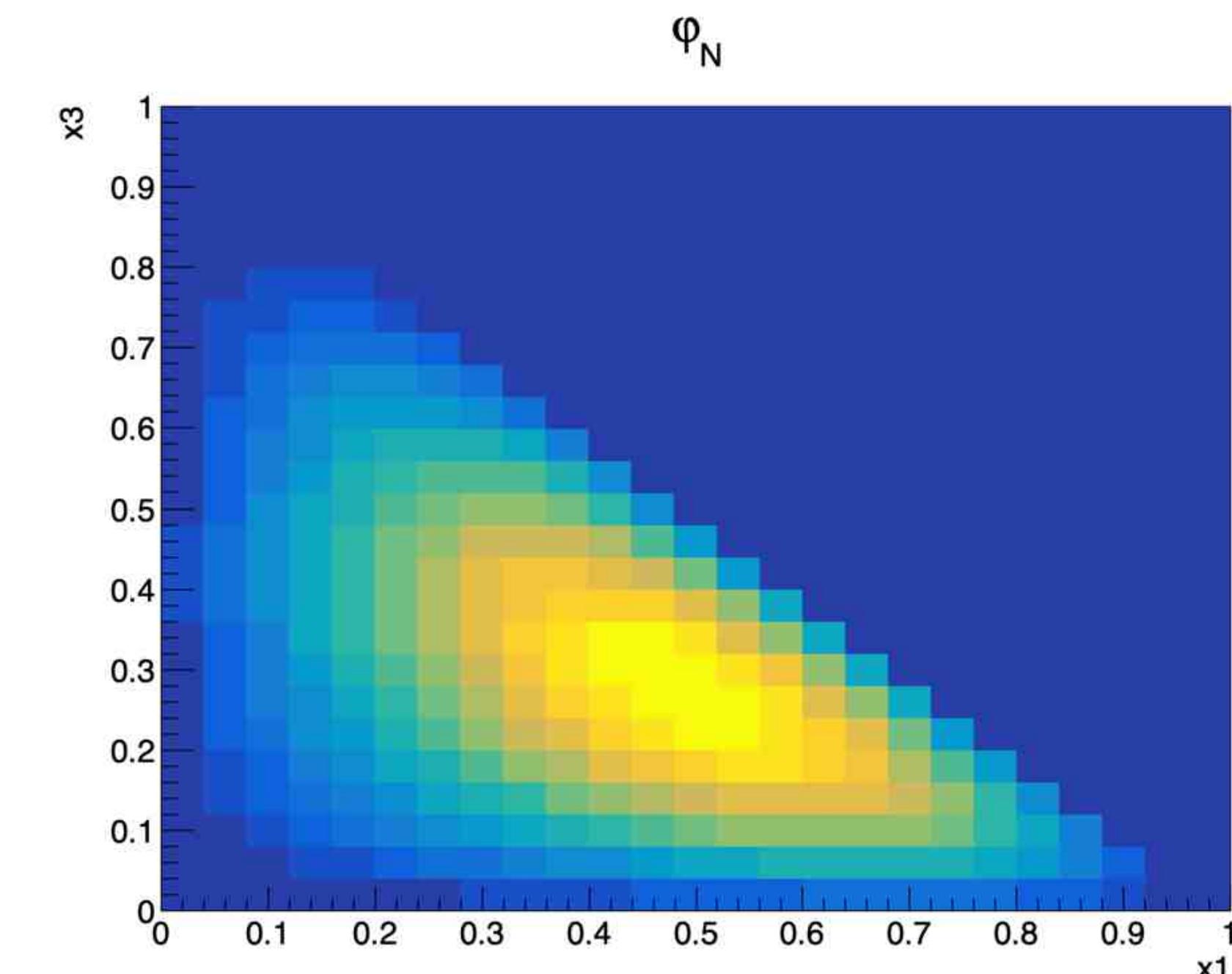
# MODEL'S RESULTS - ERROR BANDS



- The quark's momenta distribution is compatible with a quark - diquark interaction

$$\phi_N^{\max} @ \mathbf{x} = (0.492873, 0.237073, 0.270055)$$

- The nucleon distribution function  $\phi_N(x)$  presents a global maximum



# SUMMARY

- The proposed model provides a suitable description of the nucleon effective form factor but same can not be said for the proton, where the oscillations are barely visible
- The proton behaviour can be explained by the charge limited order momenta used in the description
- Still, this work can shed light over the connection between nucleon form factors oscillations and the internal structure of the hadrons
- Further search of a light-front model for nucleon form factors oscillations is still in act

*Thank you giving me the  
opportunity to speak*