Measurement of e⁺e⁻ → hadron cross-section at low energy with ISR events at BABAR

Bogdan MALAESCU (LAL Orsay – now at LPNHE) (Representing the BaBar Collaboration)





Photon 2013 Paris, 20-24 May 2013

Outlook

- The BaBar ISR (Initial State Radiation) $\pi\pi$ analysis
- Test of the method: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$ PRL 103, 231801 (2009) Results on $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-(\gamma)$ PRD 86, 032013 (2012)

- Preliminary results on $K^+K^-(\gamma)$
- Other ISR results on multihadronic cross sections

Conclusions

The ISR method at BABAR





- High energy ($E_{\gamma}^* > 3 \text{ GeV}$) detected at large angle \rightarrow defines $\sqrt{s}' = E_{CM}$ and provides strong background rejection
- Event topology: ISR photon back-to-back to hadrons
 - → high acceptance, large boost to hadrons (measurements from threshold and easier PID)
- Final state can be hadronic or leptonic (QED) $\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\gamma(\gamma)$ events used to get ISR luminosity
- Kinematic fit including ISR photon
 - \rightarrow removes multihadronic background; improves mass resolution (a few MeV)
- Continuous measurement from threshold to 3-5 GeV
 - → reduced systematic uncertainties compared to multiple data sets with different colliders and detectors

B.Malaescu ISR e+e-/g-2

The BaBar ISR program

• cover an almost complete set of significant exclusive e⁺e⁻ annihilation channels up to 2 GeV = ³⁵[BARAR JSP]



- preliminary results: K⁺ K⁻
- in progress: $\pi^{+}\pi^{-}2\pi^{0}, K_{S}^{0}K_{L}^{0}, K_{S}^{0}K_{L}^{0}\pi^{+}\pi^{-}, K_{S}^{0}K^{+-}\pi^{-+}\pi^{0}, K_{S}^{0}K^{+-}\pi^{-+}\eta$ B.Malaescu ISR e+e-/g-2 Photon 2013

The relevant processes for the $\pi\pi$ and KK measurements

 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\gamma_{ISR} (\gamma_{add.}), \pi^+\pi^-\gamma_{ISR} (\gamma_{add.}) \text{ and } K^+K^-\gamma_{ISR} (\gamma_{add.})$ measured simultaneously



FSR



LO FSR negligible for $\pi\pi$ and KK at s~(10.6 GeV)²

ISR + additional ISR e^+ γ (S') $\pi/\mu/K$ $e^ \gamma^*$ $\pi/\mu/K$

ISR + additional FSR



B.Malaescu ISR e+e-/g-2

QED test with µµγ sample

- absolute comparison of $\mu\mu$ mass spectra in data and in simulation
- simulation corrected for data/MC efficiencies
- AfkQed corrected for incomplete NLO using Phokhara
- strong test (ISR probability function drops out for $\pi\pi$ cross section)



Obtaining the $\pi\pi(\gamma_{FSR})$ cross section



Effective ISR luminosity from $\mu\mu\gamma(\gamma)$ analysis (similar equation + QED)

 $\pi\pi$ mass spectrum unfolded (B. M. arXiv:0907.3791) for detector response

Additional ISR almost cancels in the procedure $(\pi\pi\gamma(\gamma) / \mu\mu\gamma(\gamma) \operatorname{ratio})$ Correction (2.5 ±1.0) × 10⁻³ $\Rightarrow \pi\pi$ cross section does not rely on accurate description of NLO in the MC generator

ISR luminosity from $\mu\mu\gamma(\gamma)$ in 50-MeV energy intervals (small compared to variation of efficiency corrections)

Systematic uncertainties

 $\sqrt{s'}$ intervals (GeV)

relative uncertainties in 10⁻³

| sources | 0.3-0.4 | 0.4-0.5 | 0.5 - 0.6 | 0.6-0.9 | 0.9-1.2 | 1.2 - 1.4 | 1.4 - 2.0 | 2.0-3.0 |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| trigger/ filter | 5.3 | 2.7 | 1.9 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| $\operatorname{tracking}$ | 3.8 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| $\pi\text{-ID}$ | 10.1 | 2.5 | 6.2 | 2.4 | 4.2 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 10.1 |
| background | 3.5 | 4.3 | 5.2 | 1.0 | 3.0 | 7.0 | 12.0 | 50.0 |
| acceptance | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.6 |
| kinematic fit (χ^2) | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| correl $\mu\mu$ ID loss | 3.0 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| $\pi\pi/\mu\mu$ cancel. | 2.7 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 2.7 | 5.1 | 5.1 |
| unfolding | 1.0 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| ISR luminosity | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 |
| sum (cross section) | 13.8 | 8.1 | 10.2 | 5.0 | 6.5 | 13.9 | 19.8 | 52.4 |

ρ

Dominated by particle ID (π -ID, correlated $\mu\mu \rightarrow \pi\pi$, μ -ID in ISR luminosity)

BaBar results (PRL 2009, PRD 2012)



B.Malaescu ISR e+e-/g-2

BaBar fit vs. e⁺e⁻ data (stat + syst errors included)



BaBar vs. IB-corrected τ data (0.5-1.0 GeV)



Computing $a_{\mu}^{\pi\pi}$

$$a^{\pi\pi(\gamma),LO}_{\mu} = \frac{1}{4\pi^3} \int_{4m^2_{\pi}}^{\infty} ds \, K(s) \, \sigma^0_{\pi\pi(\gamma)}(s) \; ,$$

where K(s) is the QED kernel,

$$K(s) = x^{2} \left(1 - \frac{x^{2}}{2}\right) + (1 + x)^{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x^{2}}\right) \left[\ln(1 + x) - x + \frac{x^{2}}{2}\right] + x^{2} \frac{1 + x}{1 - x} \ln x$$

with
$$x = (1 - \beta_{\mu})/(1 + \beta_{\mu})$$
 and $\beta_{\mu} = (1 - 4m_{\mu}^2/s)^{1/2}$.

| 0.28–1.8 (GeV) | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| BABAR | $(514.1 \pm 3.8) \times 10^{-10}$ |
| previous e +e ⁻ combined | $(503.5 \pm 3.5) \times 10^{-10} *$ |
| τ combined | $(515.2 \pm 3.5) \times 10^{-10} *$ |

Deviation between BNL measurement and theory prediction reduced using BaBar $\pi^+\pi^-$ data $a_{\mu} [\exp] - a_{\mu} [SM] = (19.8 \pm 8.4) \times 10^{-10} (2.4\sigma) \pi^+\pi^-$ from BaBar only



* arXiv:0906.5443 M. Davier et al. 12

Analysis of $e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+ K^-(\gamma)$

Preliminary: to be submitted to PRD

- procedures similar to $\pi\pi$ analysis
- luminosity 231 fb⁻¹
- efficiencies obtained from full simulation (AfkQed) and data/MC corrections trigger, tracking , K-ID and mis-ID efficiencies
- background studies, normalization using data, subtraction
- efficiency of the kinematic fit χ^2 cut
 - \rightarrow additional radiation ISR/FSR
 - \rightarrow studies with muons
 - \rightarrow differences between kaons and muons: secondary interactions, FSR
- unfolding background-subtracted and data/MC corrected mass spectra
- geometrical acceptance and second-order corrections using Phokhara
- ISR effective luminosity from $\mu\mu\gamma(\gamma)$: KK/ $\mu\mu$ ratio
- mass-dependent systematic uncertainties, best in ϕ region (0.7%)
- cross section
- form factor phenomenological fits
- contribution to a_{μ}

Results on the $e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+K^-(\gamma)$ bare cross section with FSR included (small)

 \rightarrow Use effective ISR luminosity obtained with $\mu\mu$ sample.



A phenomenological fit to the K form factor



B.Malaescu ISR e+e-/g-2

Comparison to previous experiments



The ϕ parameters (preliminary)

m_{ϕ} , Γ_{ϕ} , and a_{ϕ} obtained from the form factor fit

BABAR: $m_{\phi} = 1019.51 \pm 0.02 \ (\pm 0.11) \text{ MeV}$ $\Gamma_{\phi} = 4.29 \pm 0.04 \ (\pm 0.07) \text{ MeV}$ Good agreement with PDG: $m_{\phi} = 1019.455 \pm 0.020 \text{ MeV}$ $\Gamma_{\phi} = 4.26 \pm 0.04 \text{ MeV}$

From integrated ϕ peak:

 $\Gamma_{ee}^{\phi} \times B(\phi \to K^{+}K^{-}) = \frac{\alpha^{2}\beta^{3}(s, m_{K})}{324} \frac{m_{\phi}^{2}}{\Gamma_{\phi}} a_{\phi}^{2} C_{FS} \text{ Final-state correction (Coulomb)}$ $\Gamma_{ee}^{\phi} \times B(\phi \to K^{+}K^{-}) = (0.6344 \pm 0.0059_{exp} \pm 0.0028_{fit} \pm 0.0015_{cal}) \text{ keV} \quad (1.1\%)$ CMD2 2010: $0.605 \pm 0.004 \pm 0.013 \text{ keV} (2.2\%)$

Charged kaon form factor at large Q²

- Predictions based on QCD in asymptotic regime
- (Chernyak, Brodsky-Lepage, Farrar-Jackson)
- → power law $F_K \sim \alpha_S(Q^2) Q^{-n}$ with n=2 in good agreement with data (2.5-5 GeV n=2.10 ± 0.23)
- \rightarrow but data on $|F_K|^2$ a factor ~20 above prediction !
- \rightarrow no trend in data up to 25 GeV² for approaching the asymptotic QCD prediction
- \rightarrow similar trend observed with F_{π}



B.Malaescu ISR e+e-/g-2

New results: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$

published in 2012 based on the full BABAR statistics (454 fb⁻¹) previous publication on 89 fb⁻¹ only



New results: $e^+e^- \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+\pi^-$, $K^+K^- \pi^0\pi^0$

Published in 2012 based on the full BABAR statistics (454 fb⁻¹) \rightarrow huge improvement compared to existing data



Cross sections dominated below 1.8 GeV by $K^*(892)^0 K^{+-} \pi^{-+}$ and $K^*(892)^{+-} \pi^{-+} \pi^0$ important to know resonance dynamics to estimate unmeasured final states for g-2 integral

Impact of BABAR data for g-2: K⁺K⁻

BABAR preliminary results: $a_{\mu}^{KK, LO}$ [0.98-1.8] GeV = (22.95 ± 0.14 (stat) ± 0.22 (syst)) 10⁻¹⁰ (1.1%)

DHMZ 2011: update of all results before BABAR: $a_{\mu}^{KK, LO}[0.98-1.8]GeV = (21.63 \pm 0.27 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.68 \text{ (syst)})10^{-10} (3.4\%)$

BABAR more precise than previous world average by a factor of 3

Impact of BABAR data for g-2: $2(\pi^+ \pi^-)$

BABAR results:

 $a_{\mu}^{4\pi, LO}$ [0.6-1.8] GeV = (13.64 ± 0.03 (stat) ± 0.36 (syst)) 10⁻¹⁰ (2.6%)

DEHZ 2003: all results but BABAR 2007: $a_{\mu}^{4\pi, LO}[0.6-1.8]GeV = (13.95 \pm 0.90 \text{ (exp)} \pm 0.23 \text{(rad*)})10^{-10} \text{ (6.7\%)}$ * missing radiative corrections

DHMZ 2011: all results but BABAR 2012: $a_{\mu}^{4\pi, LO}[0.6-1.8]GeV = (13.35 \pm 0.10 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.52(\text{syst}))10^{-10} (4.0\%)$

BABAR more precise than previous world average by a factor of 2.6

Conclusions

- Through the ISR method BABAR carried out a complete and consistent program to measure precise cross sections for the dominant channels of e^+e^- → hadrons from threshold to ~2 GeV.
- Just a few more channels still in progress.
- New results: K^+K^- (preliminary), $\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$, $K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$, $K^+K^-\pi^0\pi^0$.
- BABAR results have a large impact on the knowledge of hadronic vacuum polarization (HVP) contribution to the muon g-2.
- In addition to HVP there are other applications of these data for QCD tests with finite energy sum rules, complementing similar studies done with hadronic τ decays.
- Also (not covered in this talk) BABAR ISR results provide input into hadron spectroscopy, resonance dynamics and measurements of baryon form factors.