

The reaction  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$  in  
a constituent quark model :  
*relativistic aspects of the pion  
wavefunctions.*

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- Motivation :
- LEAR data on  $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$  and  $A_{\text{on}}$  for 67 MeV - 873 keV  
 Hasan et al., Nucl. Phys. 8378 (1992)  
 → strong left-right asymmetry observed in  
 $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $K^+K^-$
- New facilities at CERN (SuperLEAR ?)  
 and projects (proposals) at Fermilab.  
 → more intensive study of the  $\bar{p}p$  system,  
 protonium, antihydrogen . . .
- Of theoretical interest : is the annihilation  
 range as short ( $1 \text{ fm } \hbar$ ) as baryon exchange  
 and microscopic quark models want to  
 make us believe ?

$d\sigma/d\Omega (\mu b/\text{sr})$  for  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

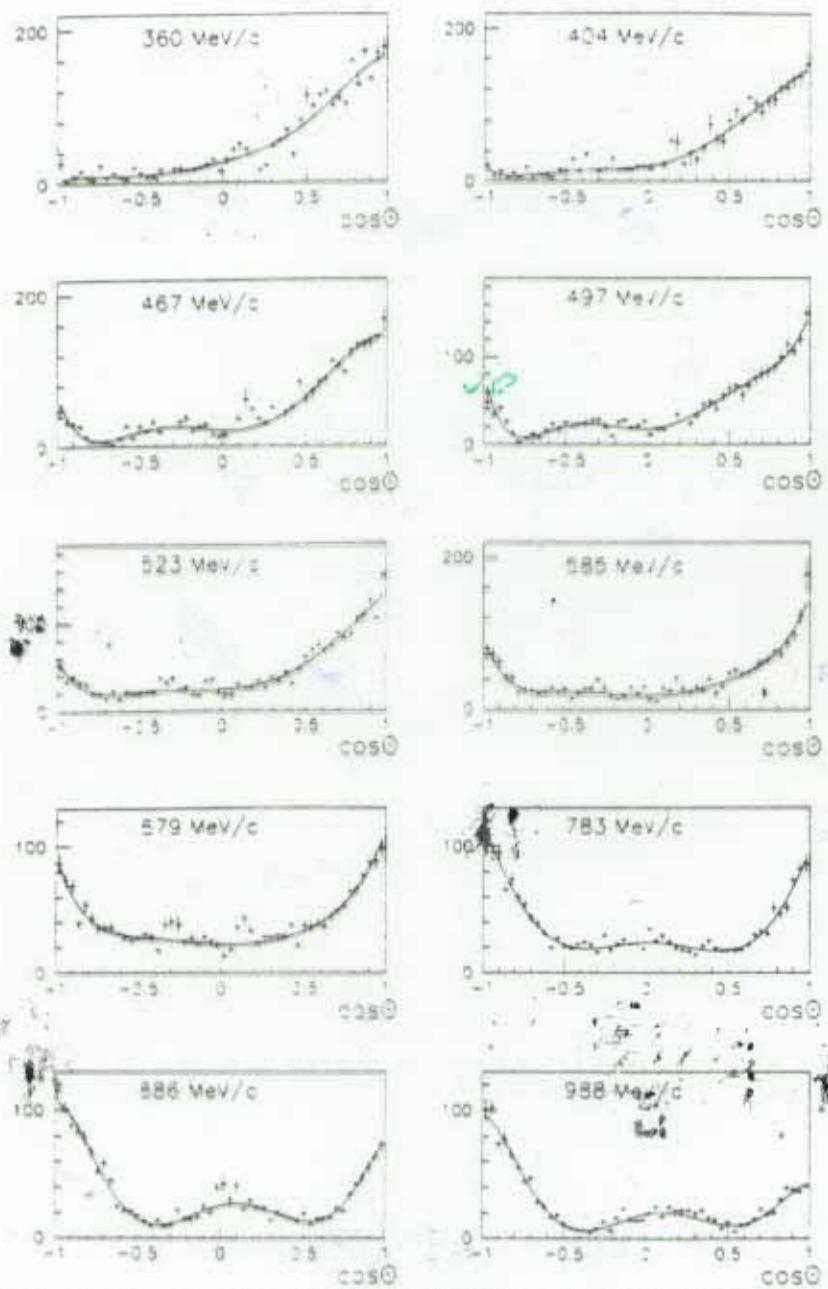


Fig. 14.  $d\sigma/d\Omega(\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \times \mu b/\text{sr})$  from 360 to 988 MeV/c from this experiment. Smooth curves are fits with Legendre series.

$A_{ON}$  for  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

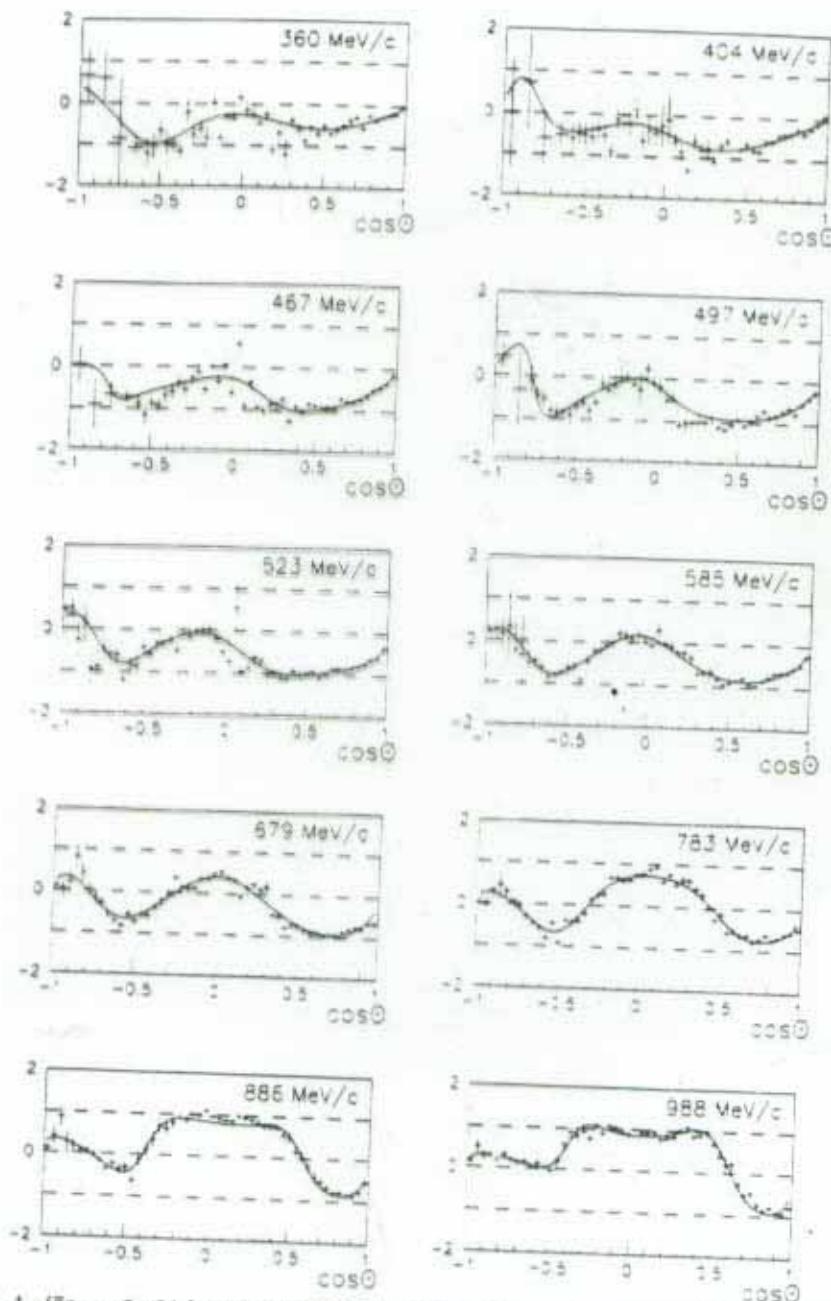


Fig. 16.  $A_{ON}(\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)$  from 360 to 988 MeV/c from this experiment. Smooth curves are fits to  $A_{ON} d\sigma d\Omega$  with Legendre series.

- A few generalities about the  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$  annihilation.
- two-meson channels are the simplest  
 (but  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-, K^+ K^-$  provides only 1% of total branching ratio)
- Since the  $|\pi^+ \pi^->$  state is even :  
 if pions are in a  $J = L_{\pi\pi}$  even state  
 then :  $I = 0$   
 if  $J = L_{\pi\pi}$  odd then :  $I = 1$
- Baryon number  $B=0$  in reaction,  $I_3 = 0$

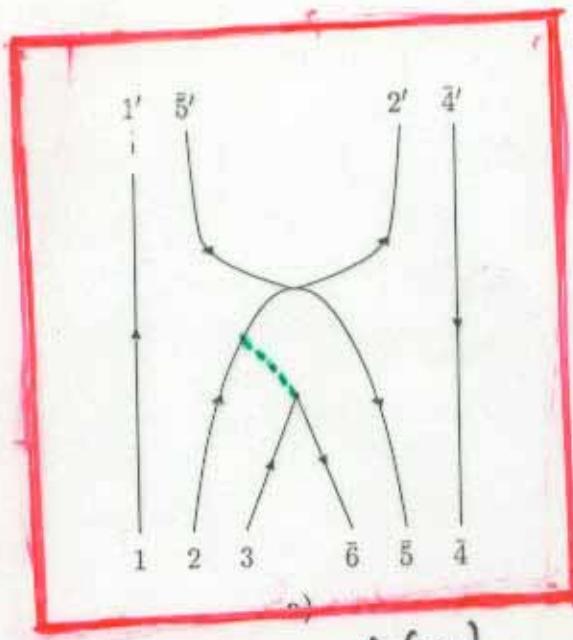
- The constituent quark model - **Assumptions**

- Initial proton and antiproton each made of quarks and antiquarks respectively.
- Quark interaction connects initial  $\bar{p}p$  pair to final  $\pi^+\pi^-$  state in various ways.
- In order to achieve this, one uses Feynman diagrams of QCD with exchanges of "effective objects". However, this does not represent the first orders of perturbation theory in QCD!

[ We rather speak of an expansion of the  $\bar{q}q$  annihilation into terms of increasing  $J^\pi$ . ]

References: Le Yanouac et al. (1973) (early work)  
Green, Niskanen (1984, 1986), Fraessler, Furni,  
(B. Danner, F. J. Lenz, 1984), [1984],

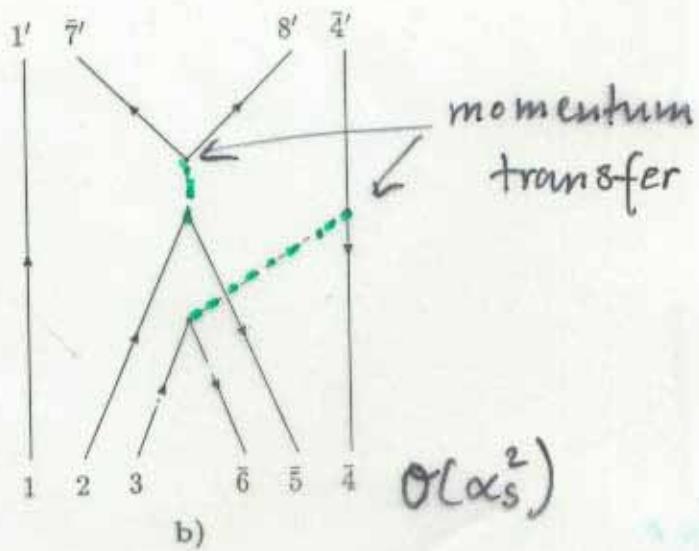
# — QUARK MODEL —



$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$

Fig. 1a: *Rearrangement diagram*

The numbers without bars stand for the quarks, those with bars for the antiquarks, the dashed line represents either the exchange of the effective "vacuum"  $^3P_0$  or "gluon"  $^3S_1$  state.



$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$

Fig. 1b: *Annihilation diagram*

$\Rightarrow \cdots \cdots : J^\pi = 0^+, 1^-, \dots$

The transition operators are obtained from the Feynman diagrams. For the Dirac spinors we use a semi-relativistic reduction with  $\vec{p}^2 \ll m^2$ :

$$u(p) = \sqrt{\frac{E+m}{2m}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} \\ E+m \end{pmatrix} \chi \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} \\ \frac{2m}{E+m} \end{pmatrix} \chi$$

$$v(p) = \sqrt{\frac{E+m}{2m}} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} \\ E+m \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \chi \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} \\ \frac{2m}{E+m} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \chi$$

At the vertices momentum conservation is imposed. In particular, in the  ${}^3P_0$  mechanism we allow momentum transfer from the annihilated  $\bar{q}q$  state to any of the other (anti)quarks on equal footing with the  ${}^3S_1$  mechanism. In the  ${}^3S_1$  case each vertex provides a factor  $\frac{1}{2}\lambda^i\gamma^\mu$  where the  $\lambda^i$  are the Gell-Mann color matrices. Furthermore, one uses the approximation that the effective mass  $M$  of the exchanged object is much larger than the four momentum  $q$ :

$$D_F = -\frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{q^2 - M^2} \simeq \frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{M^2}$$

This produces a short-ranged interaction, as the propagator reduces to a point-like operator.

## The transition amplitudes

Following the Feynman rules the following operators are obtained for the  ${}^3S_1$  and  ${}^3P_0$  case

$$\hat{V}({}^3P_0) = \bar{v}(p_{\bar{6}})u(p_3) = \frac{1}{2m} \chi_{\bar{6}}^\dagger \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{p}_{\bar{6}} - \vec{p}_3) \chi_3 \\ \times \delta(\vec{p}_{\bar{6}} + \vec{p}_3 + \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}'_1) \delta(\vec{p}'_2 - \vec{p}_2) \\ \times \delta(\vec{p}'_{\bar{4}} - \vec{p}_{\bar{4}}) \delta(\vec{p}'_{\bar{5}} - \vec{p}_{\bar{5}})$$

$$\hat{V}({}^3S_1) = \bar{v}(p_{\bar{6}}) \gamma_\mu u(p_3) \frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{M_g^2} \bar{u}(p'_1) \gamma_\nu u(p_1) \simeq \\ \simeq \frac{-1}{2mM_g^2} \chi_{\bar{6}}^\dagger \chi_{1'}^\dagger [2 \vec{p}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{\bar{6}3} + \\ + i(\vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}'_1) \cdot (\vec{\sigma}_{1'1} \times \vec{\sigma}_{\bar{6}3})] \chi_1 \chi_3 \\ \times \delta(\vec{p}_{\bar{6}} + \vec{p}_3 + \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}'_1) \delta(\vec{p}'_2 - \vec{p}_2) \\ \times \delta(\vec{p}'_{\bar{4}} - \vec{p}_{\bar{4}}) \delta(\vec{p}'_{\bar{5}} - \vec{p}_{\bar{5}})$$

where second and higher order terms in  $\vec{p}/m$   
are ignored and  $m$  is the (anti)quark mass. The operators are used to connect the incoming  $\bar{p}p$  state with the final pion states. In order to do this, the wave functions of the quarks are needed.

- Transition Amplitudes

The Feynman diagrams yield **effective** operators  $\hat{V}(^3P_0)$  and  $\hat{V}(^3S_1)$ . The annihilation potentials are then obtained from the T-matrix elements:

$$\overset{sp}{T} = \langle \phi_{\pi}^a \phi_{\pi}^b; jm | \hat{V}(^3P_0 / ^3S_1) | \psi_{\bar{p}} \psi_p, lsjm \rangle$$

The total amplitude  $T$  depends on quark momenta ( $\rightarrow$  non-local), spin, isospin as well as color.

$$\Rightarrow T = \sum_i^4 T_{sp}^i \times T_{si}^i \times T_c^i$$

Including both annihilation mechanisms:

$$T_{tot.} = T(3P_0) + \lambda T(3S_1)$$

$\lambda$  is relative strength  $\rightarrow$  only parameter!

- Pion  $\bar{q}q$  wave functions.

How to realize phenomenologically  
the confinement of (anti)quarks?

- Describe pions, proton and antiproton by Gaussian wave functions
- amounts to solving Dirac equation with scalar/vector oscillator type potential.  
(can be compared with MIT bag model)  
→ Maruyama, Gutsche, Faessler '91)

Therefore one has for instance for the pion:

$$\phi_\pi = N_\pi \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta}{2} \sum (\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_\pi)^2 \right\} \chi_\pi^{\text{(spin, isospin, color)}}$$

$\vec{r}_i$ : quark coordinates

$\vec{r}_\pi$ : pion coordinate

$$\beta = 3.23 \text{ fm}^{-2} \Rightarrow \langle r_\pi \rangle = 0.48 \text{ fm}$$

- Relativistic Effects

In  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  the kin. energy of the pions  $E_{\text{kin.}} \gg m_\pi c^2$  !

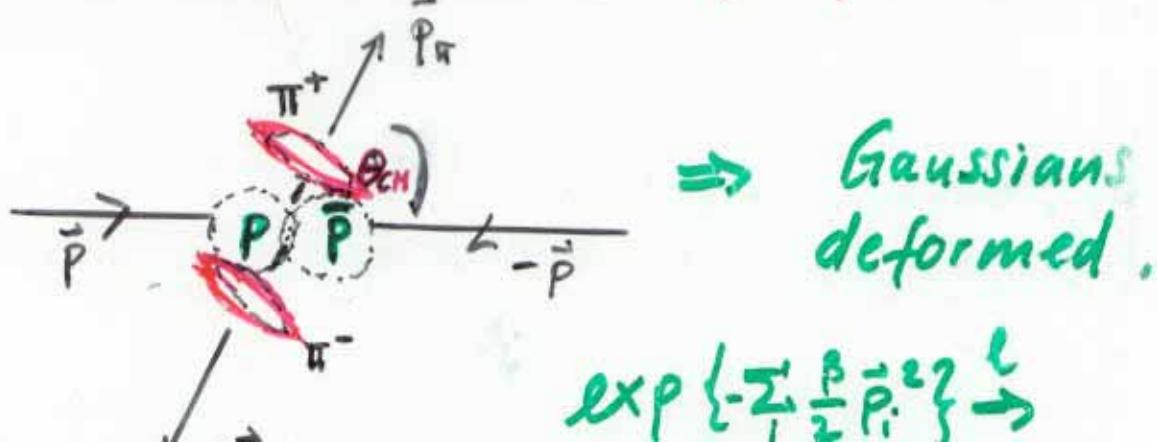
For example :  $T_{\text{lab}} = 300 \text{ MeV} \Rightarrow E_{\text{CM}} = \sqrt{s}$   
 $\simeq 1900 \text{ MeV}$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = \frac{E_{\text{CM}}}{2m_\pi c^2} \simeq 6.9 !$$

$$\left( \frac{v}{c} \simeq 0.98 \right)$$

Hence , the pions seen in the center-of-mass frame are far from being symmetrical spheres!

→ Distorted to Pancakes (Crêpes, Dosas....)



- Lorentz boosts of the pion spinors/wavefunction

**Generally :** helicity states transform as

$$|\vec{p}, \lambda\rangle \xrightarrow{\ell} |\vec{p}', \lambda'\rangle = \mathcal{D}_{22}^s [r(\ell, \vec{p})] |\ell^{-1}\vec{p}; \lambda'\rangle$$

where  $\mathcal{D}_{22}^s$  is a  $2s+1$  dim. representation of the Wick helicity rotations;  $\ell$  a Lorentz transformation.

→ Translating this into the language of field operators ; one finds for spinors :

$$\mu(\vec{p}; \lambda) \xrightarrow{\ell} \mathcal{D}_{22}^s \mu(\ell^{-1}\vec{p}; \lambda')$$

And for a transformation from the  $\pi$ -rest frame to the C.M. frame :

$$\mu(\vec{p}; \lambda) \xrightarrow{\ell^{-1}} \mathcal{D}_{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} (\Theta_{\text{wick}}) \mu(\ell^{-1}\vec{p}; \lambda') =$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{E+m}{4m} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\cancel{p}}{(\ell^{-1}\vec{p})} (\vec{p} - \beta E \cos\delta) \right\}} \begin{pmatrix} \chi \\ \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot (\ell^{-1}\vec{p})}{E+m} \chi \end{pmatrix}$$

## Partial Wave Analysis, Part II

### *Spin-Momentum Operators and Spherical Integrations*

As for the exponential part of the new transition amplitudes, one has additional spin operators linear in the relative pion and proton-antiproton coordinates. In both the  ${}^3S_1$  and  ${}^3P_0$  mechanisms an additional term of the form

$$(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{R})(\vec{R} \cdot \hat{R}') = (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{R}') R \cos \theta \quad (1)$$

appears times a factor that depends on the parameters  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ .  $\hat{R}'$  is a unit vector along the relative pion coordinates and  $\theta$  the angle between this vector and the relative proton-antiproton coordinates. Using the spherical harmonic addition theorem and  $P_1(\theta) = \cos \theta$  we can rewrite this more generally.

$$(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{R}') R \cos \theta = R \left( \frac{4\pi}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_m \sigma_m Y_{1m}(\hat{R}') \right) \left( \sum_n Y_{1n}^*(\hat{R}) Y_{1n}(\hat{R}') \right) \quad (2)$$

The sums  $m$  and  $m'$  run from  $-1$  to  $+1$  and  $\sigma^m$  denotes the three components:

$$\sigma_0 = \sigma_z \quad \sigma_1 = -\frac{\sigma_x + i\sigma_y}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \sigma_{-1} = \frac{\sigma_x - i\sigma_y}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (3)$$

These operators will be sandwiched between the pion and the Paris  $\bar{p}p$  wave functions. The proton and antiproton spin wave functions act on these spin operators and we know how to compute the matrix elements of the  $\sigma^m$

$$\langle \chi_{-m_p}^\dagger | \sigma_m | \chi_{m_p} \rangle \propto \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 1 \\ -m_p & m \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

where the right-hand side is a Clebsch-Gordan coefficient. The  $S$  matrix elements involve integrals of the form (the subscript  $V$  refers to the vacuum  ${}^3P_0$  case)

$$\begin{aligned} & \int R^2 R'^2 dR dR' d\Omega d\Omega' \exp(AR^2 + BR'^2) \varphi_j^{pp}(R') Y_{jm}^*(\Omega') \times \\ & \times 4\pi i \left[ A_V \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} R' \sum_{m'} Y_{1m'}(\Omega') \sigma_{m'} \sum_{\text{odd } \lambda, \mu} Y_{\lambda\mu}^*(\Omega') Y_{\lambda\mu}(\Omega) f_\lambda(R, R') + \right. \\ & + B_V \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} R \sum_{m'} Y_{1m'}(\Omega') \sigma_{m'} \sum_{\text{even } \lambda, \mu} Y_{\lambda\mu}^*(\Omega') Y_{\lambda\mu}(\Omega) f_\lambda(R, R') + \\ & + C_V \left( \frac{4\pi}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} R \sum_{m'} Y_{1m'}(\Omega') \sigma_{m'} \sum_n Y_{1n}^*(\Omega) Y_{1n}(\Omega') \sum_{\text{even } \lambda, \mu} Y_{\lambda\mu}^*(\Omega') Y_{\lambda\mu}(\Omega) f_\lambda(R, R') \Big] \\ & \times \sum_{lm_l m_s} \Psi_l^{pp}(R) Y_{lm_l}(\Omega) \begin{pmatrix} l & s \\ m_l & m_s \end{pmatrix} \chi_{-m_p}^\dagger (-)^{m_p + \frac{1}{2}} \chi_{m_p} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ m_p & m_p \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s \\ m_s \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

## • Results

Comparing theoretical predictions of  $d\sigma/d\Omega$  and  $A_N$  with experiment — does relativity help us better understand the annihilation process ?

The observables measured by Hasan *et al.* in this reaction are differential cross sections and analyzing powers. Both observables are expressed in the two helicity amplitudes  $F_{++}(\theta)$  and  $F_{+-}(\theta)$ , which fully describe the reaction  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ .

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{2}(|F_{++}|^2 + |F_{+-}|^2)$$
$$A_N \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \text{Im}(F_{++} F_{+-}^*)$$

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The amplitudes depend on transition integrals

$$\Rightarrow I_{Jl} = \iint R'^2 dR' R^2 dR \Phi_J^{\pi\pi}(R') T_{Jl} \Psi_{Jl}^{\bar{p}p}(R)$$

where the  $T_{Jl}$  originate from the angular momentum decomposition of the annihilation potentials. As initial state  $\Psi_{Jl}^{\bar{p}p}$ , we choose the  $\bar{p}p$  given by the 1998 Paris model.

↪ B. El-Bennich, Loiseau,  
Lacombe, Vinh Mau

- Conclusion :

- The annihilation range of the  $\bar{p}p$  system is still an object of hot debate!
- Geometric alterations in the interaction due to relativity *increases* this range by distorting pion wave functions.
- One obtains a richer angular dependence of the annihilation potentials and therefore higher partial wave contributions
- First fits look encouraging - implement full *relativistic change*.

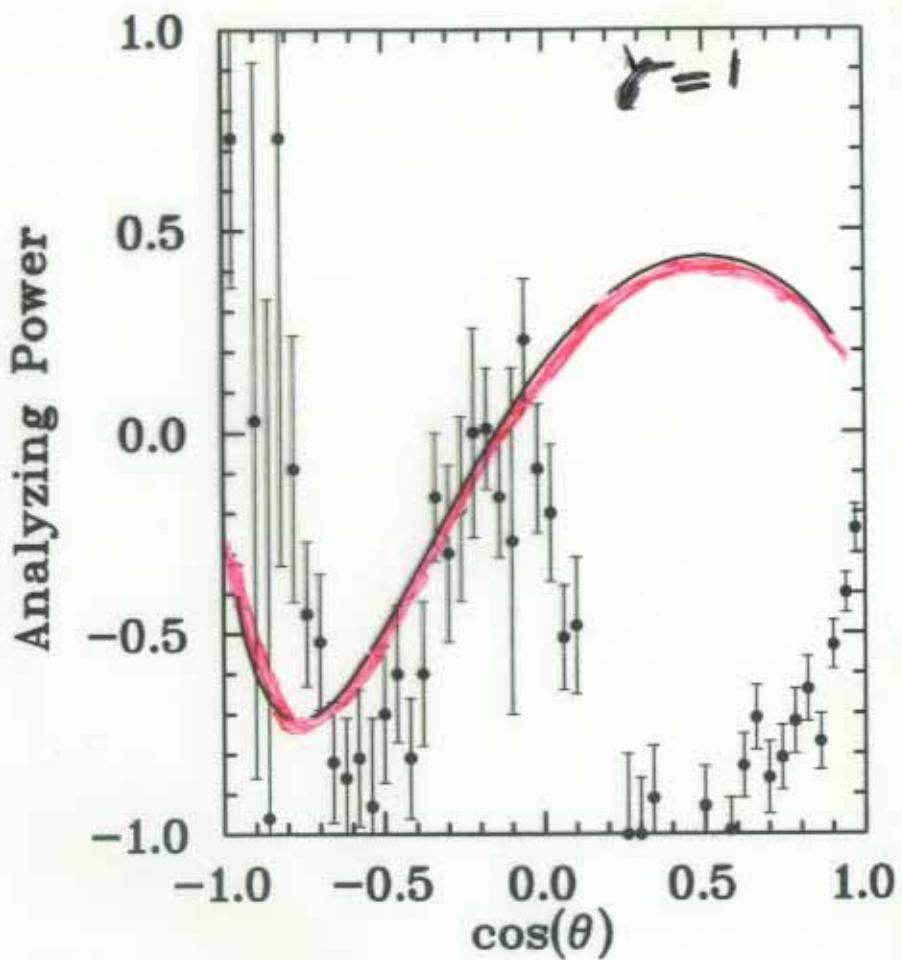
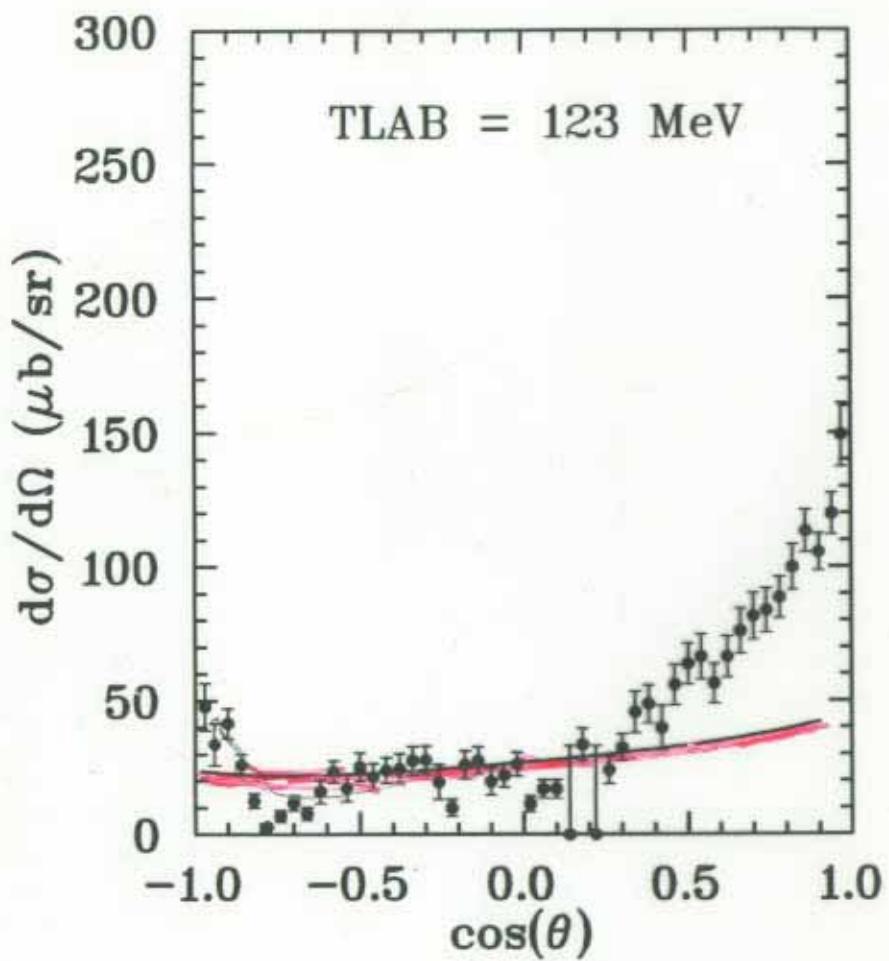


FIG. 3.  $P(\bar{B}A)P - P(-)P(+)$   
PION plane wave versus J-PION range 0 3  
Result of chi-square minimization for minasymp.f

| SIGNORM= | 0.325E+05 | J      | Eta | Delta                      | $\chi^2$  | $\chi^2/N$ |
|----------|-----------|--------|-----|----------------------------|-----------|------------|
| LAMBDA=  | -0.907    | PHASE= | 0.  | 0.6638                     | 363.0     | 18.1       |
|          |           |        | 1   | 1.000                      | 184.1     | 77.3       |
|          |           |        | 2   | 0.8375                     | 162.2     |            |
|          |           |        | 3   | 0.4919                     | -19.99    |            |
|          |           |        |     | ALPHA = 2.800 BETA = 3.230 | Dsigma 50 | 905.       |
|          |           |        |     |                            | Analys 50 | 0.387E+04  |

b) comme a) mais tenant compte des effets relativiste dans les fonctions d'onde (partie spatiale)

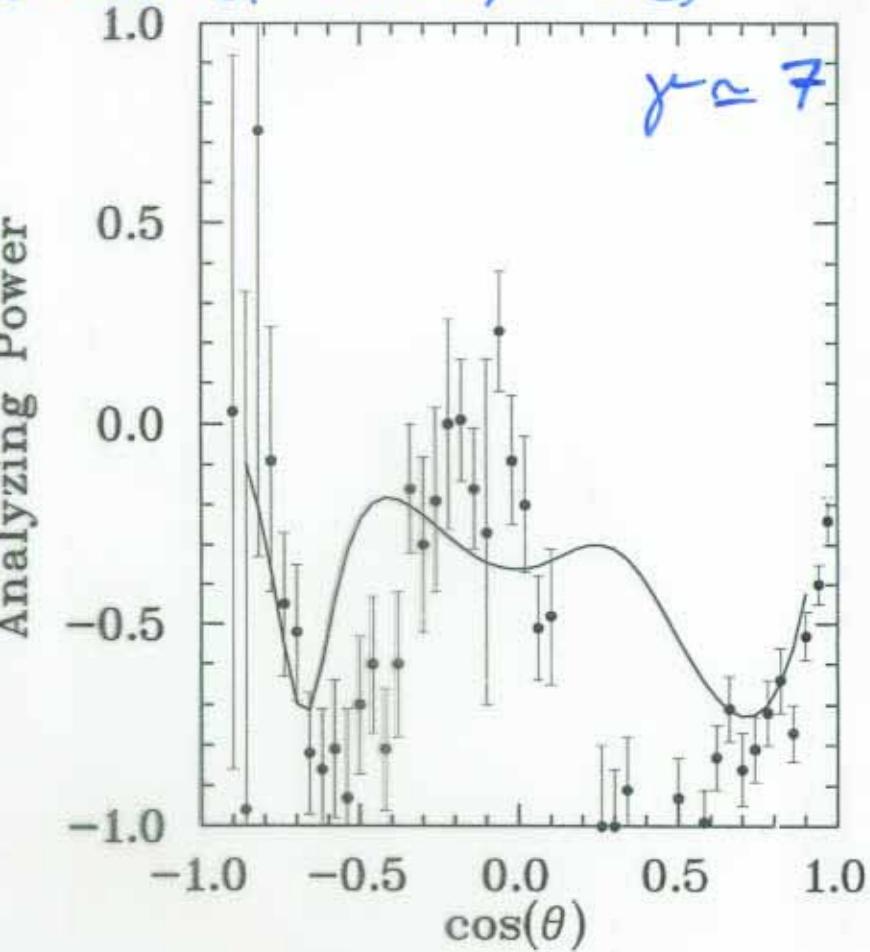
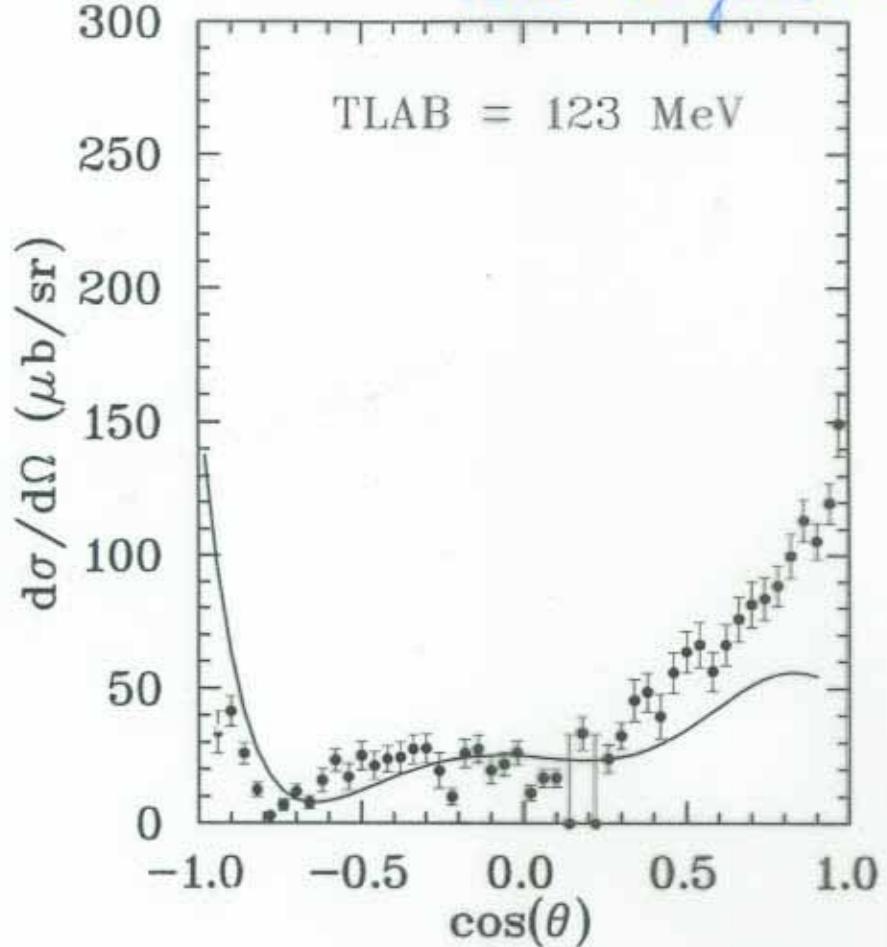
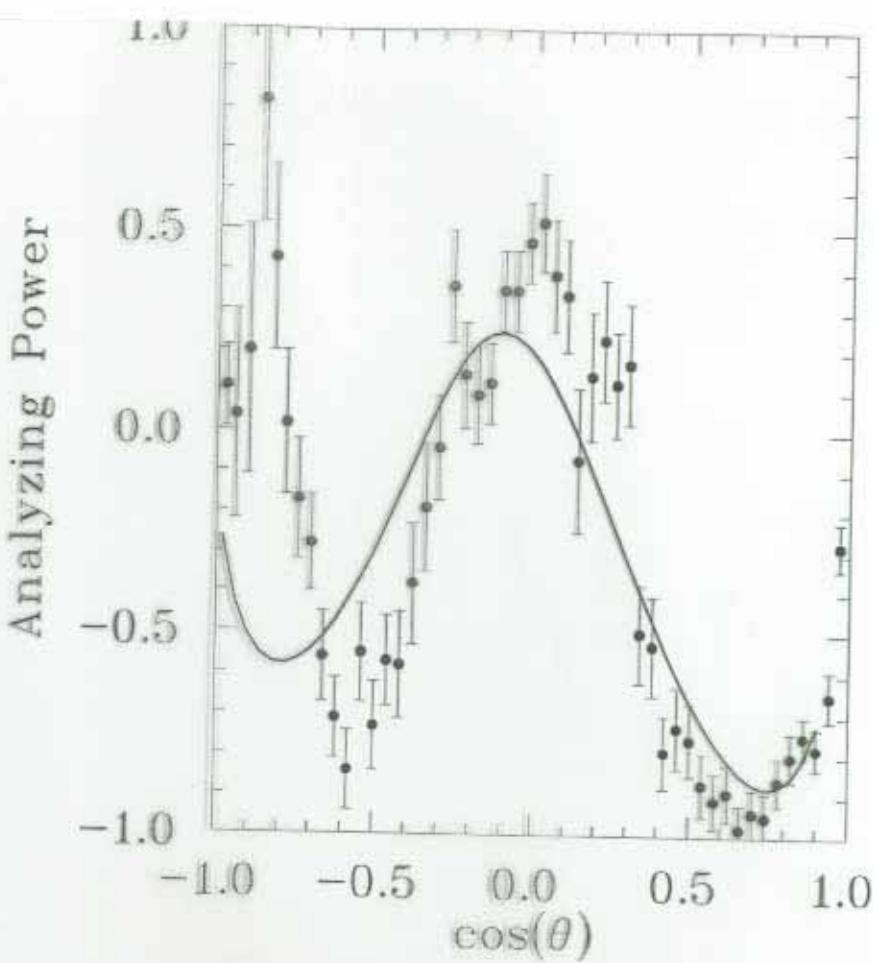
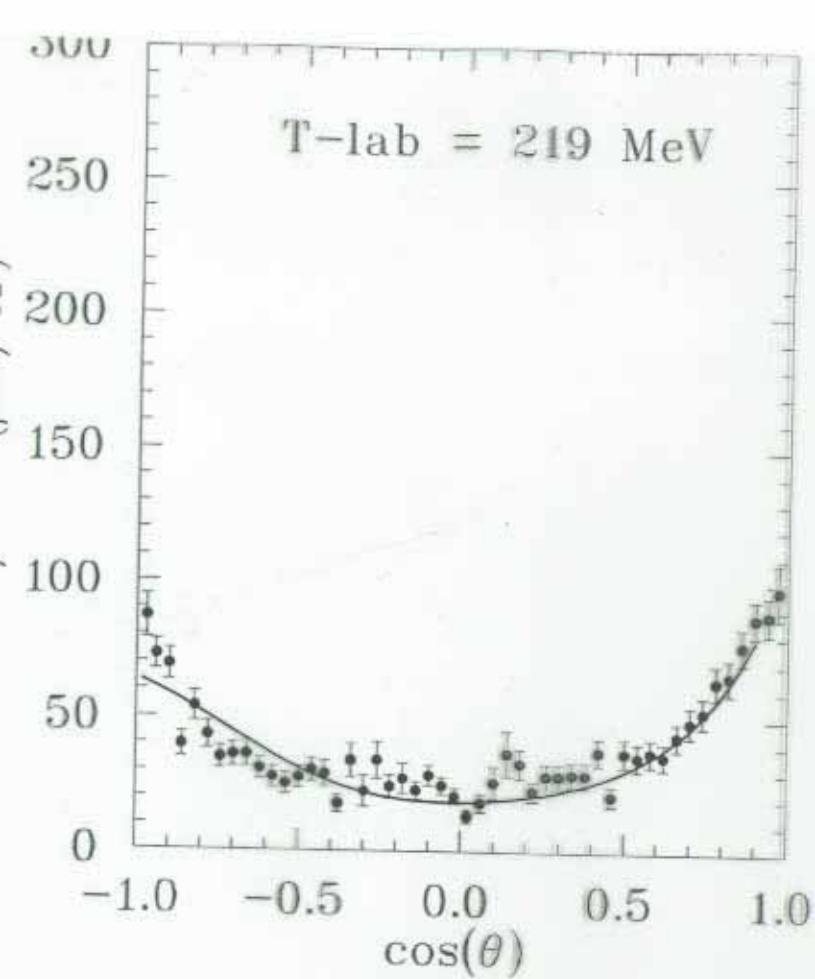


FIG. 1.  $P(\bar{\text{P}}\text{AR})^P - P(-)P(+)$   
PION plane wave versus J-PION range 0 4  
Result of chi-square minimization for minasymp.f

ALPHA = 2.7815    BETA = 3.9930  
SIGNORM= 268585.5  
LAMBDA = -0.4407 PHASE = 1.603073

| J | Eta     | Delta    |
|---|---------|----------|
| 0 | 0.29441 | 39.093   |
| 1 | 0.99836 | 115.39   |
| 2 | 0.95040 | -14.893  |
| 3 | 0.77319 | -0.69346 |
| 4 | 1.0000  | 0.       |

| N-data  | Chi2 | Chi2/data |      |
|---------|------|-----------|------|
| Dsigma  | 50   | 792.      | 15.8 |
| Analyzi | 50   | 462.      | 9.25 |



G. P(BAR)P - PI(-)PI(+) plane wave PI-PI versus FSI for J-range 0 4  
Chi-square minimization (minasymp.f)

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b = 220. Plab = 679. Wtot = 1983.
PHA = 2.9643    BETA = 3.2433
NORM= 487659.0
IBDA = -0.0738  PHASE = 5.262
N data   Chi2      Chi2/data
gma 50     122.      2.44
lyzi 50     246.      4.91
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| J | Eta    | Delta   |
|---|--------|---------|
| 0 | 0.8931 | 22.555  |
| 1 | 0.7446 | -0.922  |
| 2 | 0.5740 | 260.460 |
| 3 | 0.9997 | -19.964 |
| 4 | 0.9997 | 6.542   |

| fjplpl | fjplmi |       |        |
|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| 3.342  | 3.345  | 0.000 | 0.000  |
| 2.174  | -0.556 | 1.929 | 1.257  |
| 0.151  | 0.856  | 0.271 | -1.843 |
| 0.107  | -0.063 | 0.135 | -0.054 |
|        |        |       | -0.152 |