

Baryon Transition Form Factors from Dynamical Coupled-Channel Analyses

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Philosophy

Part I: Introduction

- Structures of matters → fundamental task of physics
- Structures of hadrons in resonance regions → extremely difficult
 - Not direct observables
 - Non-perturbative nature
 - Uncertainties of the hadron spectroscopy
- A bridge between the data and the structures?
World data → ??? → Spectra → Indications of the structures
- The bridge here: Comprehensive models
→ the Jülich-Bonn/Jülich-Bonn-Washington Model for N^* and Δ
- This work → **electromagnetic transition form factors (TFFs) of the nucleon to N^* and Δ 's**
[Y.F. Wang et. al. (Jülich-Bonn-Washington Collaboration), Phys. Rev. Lett. 133, 101901 (2024)]

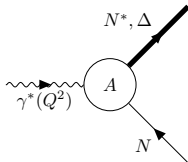


Baryon Transition Form Factors

Part I: Introduction

Electromagnetic Probes

- EM interactions \rightarrow clean probes of structures
- $\gamma N \rightarrow$ states coupling weakly to πN
[Ireland, Pasyuk, Strakovsky, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 111, 103752 (2020)]
- Electroproduction ($\gamma^* N$) \rightarrow energy scale $Q^2 \equiv -q^2$
- Transition form factors (TFFs) \rightarrow “pictures of hadrons”
[Ramalho, Peña, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 136, 104097 (2024)]
 - Lower Q^2 : meson clouds etc.
 - Higher Q^2 : the quark core
 - Related to quark transverse charge densities[Tiator & Vanderhaeghen, PLB 672, 344 (2009)]



Towards the TFFs

- Predictions at quark level
 - Quark models & Dyson-Schwinger equations
[Burkert, Roberts RMP 91, 011003 (2019)]
[Eichmann et. al., Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 91, 1 (2016)]
[Kai Xu's parallel talk on Friday]
 - Lattice QCD [Agadjanov et. al., NPB 886, 1199 (2014)]
- Extraction from data
 - Experimental facilities & data accumulation
[Moiseev et. al., PRC 93, 025206 (2016)]
 - Unitary isobar models \rightarrow real valued, depending on BW parameters
[Drechsel, Kamalov, Tiator, EPJA 34, 69 (2007)]
[Tiator et. al., EPJST 198, 141 (2011)]
 - Dynamical models \rightarrow complex TFFs at the poles
[Kamano, Few Body Syst. 59, 24 (2018)]

& **this work**

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The Jülich-Bonn Model

Part II: Methodology

A comprehensive coupled-channel model, fitting to a worldwide collection of data

Hadronic part ($\pi N \rightarrow \dots$)

- Early origins \rightarrow studies of $K^- N$ and $\pi\pi$
[Müller-Groeling *et. al.*, NPA 513, 557 (1990)] [Lohse *et. al.*, NPA 516, 513 (1990)] [Pearce *et. al.*, NPA 541, 663 (1992)]
- The πN elastic scatterings [Schütz *et. al.*, PRC 51, 1374 (1995)] [Schütz *et. al.*, PRC 49, 2671 (1994)]
- Extended to $\pi\pi N$ and ηN [Schütz *et. al.*, PRC 57, 1464 (1998)] [Krehl *et. al.*, PRC 62, 025207 (2000)] [Gasparyan *et. al.*, PRC 68, 045207 (2003)]
- Extended to $K\Lambda$ and $K\Sigma$ [Döring *et. al.*, NPA 851, 58 (2011)] [Rönchen *et. al.*, EPJA 49, 44 (2013)]
- Extended to ωN [Wang *et. al.*, PRD 106, 094031 (2022)]
- Analytical continuation for searching poles [Döring *et. al.*, NPA 829, 170 (2009)]

Photo- & Electroproduction

- Photoproduction
[Rönchen *et. al.*, EPJA 50, 101 (2014)] [Rönchen *et. al.*, EPJA 51, 70 (2015)] [Rönchen *et. al.*, EPJA 54, 110 (2018)] [Rönchen *et. al.*, EPJA 558, 229 (2022)]
- Electroproduction (Jülich-Bonn-Washington Model)
[Mai *et. al.*, PRC 103, 065204 (2021)] [Mai *et. al.*, PRC 106, 015201 (2022)] [Mai *et. al.*, EPJA 59, 286 (2023)]



Formulations

Part II: Methodology

Hadron dynamics

Lippmann-Schwinger-like equation

$$T_{\mu\nu}(p'', p', z) = V_{\mu\nu}(p'', p', z) +$$

$$\sum_{\kappa} \int_0^{\infty} p^2 dp V_{\mu\kappa}(p'', p, z) G_{\kappa}(p, z) T_{\kappa\nu}(p, p', z)$$

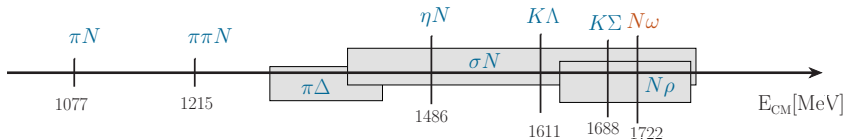
- One-dimensional: time-ordered perturbation theory + *JLS* basis [Jacob & Wick, *Annals Phys.* 7, 404 (1959)]
- $T = T^P + T^{NP} \rightarrow$
s-channel vertices + t/u-channel exchanges etc.
- $V \rightarrow \text{SU}(3)$, **ChEFT**, *CP*...
- Effective three-body channels: ρN , σN , $\pi\Delta$

Photo- & electroproduction

Construction from Watson's final state theorem

$$M_{\mu\gamma^*}(Q^2) = V_{\mu\gamma^*}(Q^2) + \sum_{\kappa} \int p^2 dp T_{\mu\kappa} G_{\kappa} V_{\kappa\gamma^*}(Q^2)$$

- γ^* : the $\gamma^* N$ channel for electroproduction
- Q^2 : photon virtuality
- $V_{\kappa\gamma^*} \rightarrow$ phenomenologically parameterized
- Further constraints: Siegert's theorem (gauge invariance), kinematics, etc.
- Photoproduction $\rightarrow Q^2 = 0$





Numerical fits

Part II: Methodology

The latest JBW results

- $\gamma^* p$ initial state
- Coupled-channel study of πN , ηN , and $K\Lambda$
[Mai et. al., EPJA 59, 286 (2023)]
- Based on the JüBo2017 solution
[Rönchen et. al., EPJA 54, 110 (2018)]
- C.M. energy range $z \in [1.13, 1.8]$ GeV
- Virtuality $Q^2 \in [0, 8]$ GeV²
- Orbital angular momentum $L \leq 3$

Database & errors

- Database [Mai et. al., EPJA 59, 286 (2023)]
 - 10^5 data points vs 533 fit parameters
 - 5×10^4 from photoproduction/hadronic
- Four solutions \rightarrow fully explored parameter space
 - weighted vs unweighted χ^2
 - different local minima
- Fit \rightarrow supercomputers

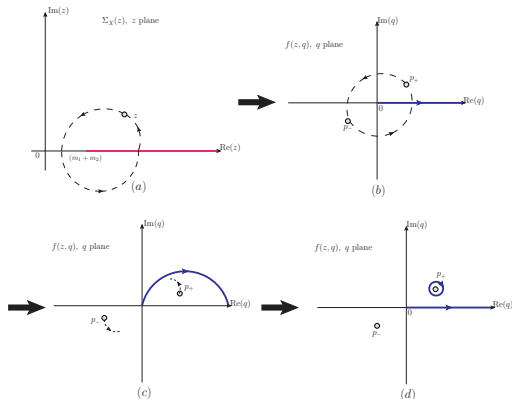
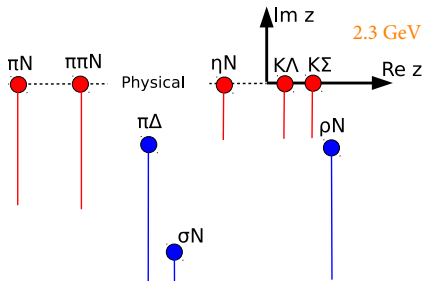
	χ^2_{dof}	$\chi^2_{\text{pp}}(\pi^0 p)$	$\chi^2_{\text{pp}}(\pi^+ n)$	$\chi^2_{\text{pp}}(\eta p)$	$\chi^2_{\text{pp}}(K^+ \Lambda)$
FIT₁	1.42	1.40	1.47	1.49	0.70
FIT₂	1.35	1.38	1.35	1.40	0.58
	$\chi^2_{\text{wt,dof}}$	$\chi^2_{\text{pp}}(\pi^0 p)$	$\chi^2_{\text{pp}}(\pi^+ n)$	$\chi^2_{\text{pp}}(\eta p)$	$\chi^2_{\text{pp}}(K^+ \Lambda)$
FIT₃	1.12	1.44	1.61	1.08	0.33
FIT₄	1.06	1.42	1.44	1.09	0.32



Pole searching

Part II: Methodology

- Resonances \rightarrow poles on the second Riemann sheet
- Analytical continuation \rightarrow contour deformation
- Pole position $z_r = M_r - i\Gamma_r/2$



p_{\pm} : singularities in $G = (z - E_1 - E_2)^{-1}$



Transition form factors

Part II: Methodology

Original definition

[Ramalho, Peña, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 136, 104097 (2024)]

$$A_h = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi\alpha}{K}} \langle R, h | \epsilon_+ \cdot J | N, h-1 \rangle$$

$$S_{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{Q} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi\alpha}{K}} \langle R, \frac{1}{2} | \epsilon_0 \cdot J | N, \frac{1}{2} \rangle$$

- A, S : helicity transition amplitudes
- $h = 1/2, 3/2$: the helicity
- α : fine structure constant
- $\epsilon(J)$: virtual photon polarization vector (current)
- \mathbf{q} : 3-momentum of the virtual photon
- $M_R(m_N)$: mass of the excitation state R (nucleon)
- $K = (M_R^2 - m_N^2)/(2M_R)$

At the pole

[Workman, Tiator, Sarantsev, PRC 87, 068201 (2013)]

$$H_h = C_I \sqrt{\frac{p_{\pi N}}{\omega_0} \frac{2\pi(2J+1)z_p}{m_N \tilde{R}}} \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_h$$

- H is either A or S
- C_I : isospin factor, $C_{1/2} = -\sqrt{3}$ and $C_{3/2} = \sqrt{2/3}$
- $p_{\pi N}$: πN c.m. momentum
- ω_0 : photon energy at $Q^2 = 0$
- $z_p = M_R - i\Gamma_R/2$ the pole position
- $\tilde{R}, \tilde{\mathcal{H}}$: the residues of $\pi N, \gamma^* N$ channels
- Understanding: the $|R\rangle \rightarrow |R\rangle$ Gamow state
[Gamow, Zeitschrift für Physik 51, 204 (1928)]
- **Complex-valued**



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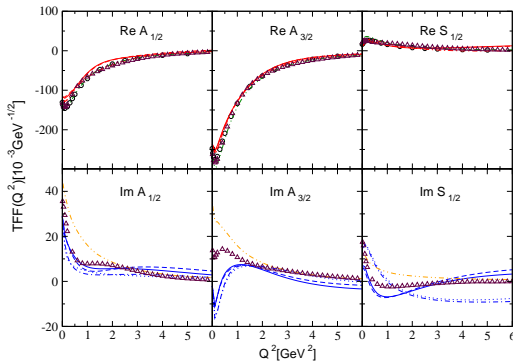
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Results of $\Delta(1232)$

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- Solid, dashed, dotted, dash-dotted curves: four fit solutions
- Dash-double-dotted curves: "L+P" extraction from MAID analyses [Workman, Tiator, Sarantsev, PRC 87, 068201 (2013)]
- Triangles: ANL-Osaka [Kamano, Few Body Syst. 59, 24 (2018)]

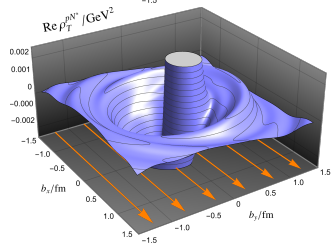
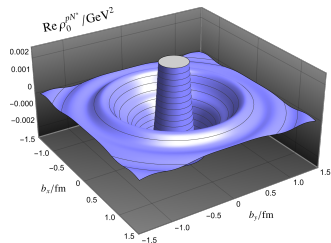
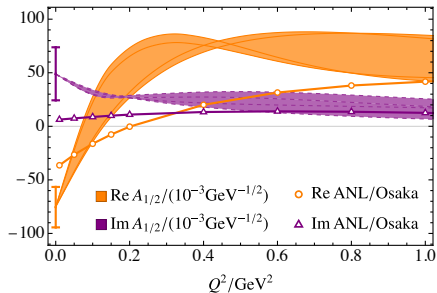




Results of $N^*(1440)$

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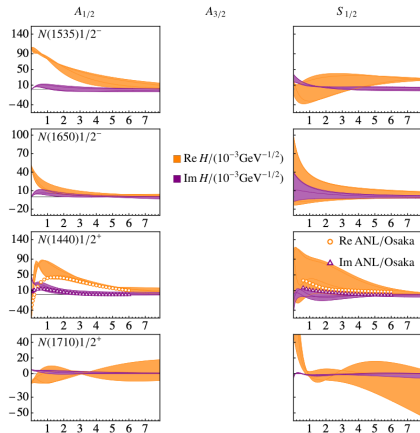
- A zero crossing!!
- ρ_0, ρ_T [Tiator & Vanderhaeghen, PLB 672, 344 (2009)]





Summary of the results

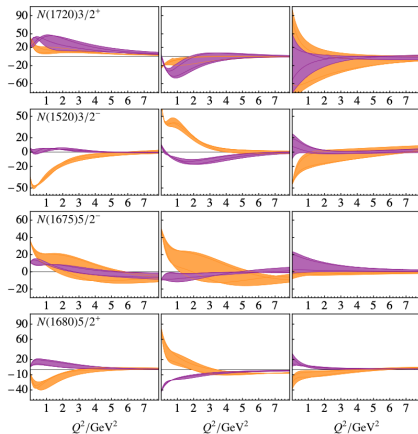
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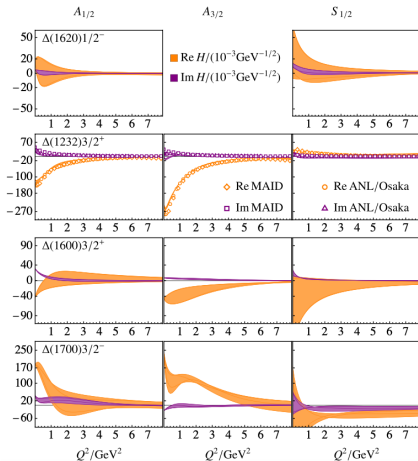




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Conclusion & Outlook

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Conclusions

- The Jülich-Bonn(-Washington) Model
 - Comprehensive dynamical coupled-channel approaches
 - Data driven PWA \rightarrow resonance spectra
 - Connecting experimental observations to hadron structures!
- EM transition from factors of N^* and Δ 's
 - First time determined by multi-channel data
 - Defined at the poles
 - Realistic uncertainties
 - Outputs for twelve states

Outlook

- A extension of the model
 - energy range up to 1.95 GeV
 - TFFs of higher states
 - more outputs of the transition charge densities
- ωN photoproduction underway \rightarrow more modern data!
- Other studies of the structure
 - \rightarrow Weinberg's criterion & extension
 - study of the N^* and Δ states (already done!)
[Wang et. al., PRC 109, 015202 (2024)]
 - study of the P_c states \rightarrow underway
[Shen et. al., EPJC 84, 764 (2024)]
 - hyperons...

*Thank
you*



Backups

Details of the scattering equation

Backups

The Lippmann-Schwinger-like equation

$$T_{\mu\nu}(p'', p', z) = V_{\mu\nu}(p'', p', z) + \sum_{\kappa} \int_0^{\infty} p^2 dp V_{\mu\kappa}(p'', p, z) G_{\kappa}(p, z) T_{\kappa\nu}(p, p', z)$$

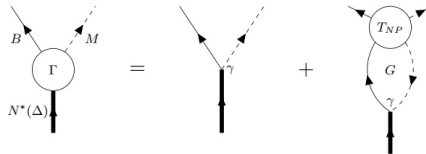
- Reaction channels $\nu \rightarrow \mu$ (after PW and isospin projection, *JLS* basis [Jacob & Wick, *Annals Phys.* 7, 404 (1959)], $J \leq 9/2$)
- Intermediate channel: κ
- CM initial (final) momentum: p' (p''). CM energy: z
- Potential (kernel): V . Amplitude: T (\rightarrow observables)
- Propagator: G ($\pi\pi N$ channel: effective channels $\rho N, \sigma N, \pi\Delta$. E/ω - energy of the baryon/meson.)

$$G_{\kappa}(z, p) = \begin{cases} (z - E_{\kappa} - \omega_{\kappa} + i0^+)^{-1} & \text{(if } \kappa \text{ is a two-body channel) ,} \\ [z - E_{\kappa} - \omega_{\kappa} - \Sigma_{\kappa}(z, p) + i0^+]^{-1} & \text{(if } \kappa \text{ is an effective channel) .} \end{cases}$$

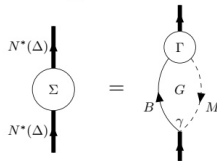
Details of the scattering equation

Backups

- **Separating the amplitude** \rightarrow with/without s -channel poles $T = T^P + T^{NP}$
- Reconstruction of the amplitude $\rightarrow T^{NP} = V^{NP} + \sum \int p^2 dp V^{NP} G T^{NP}$,
 $T_{\mu\nu}^P(p'', p', z) = \sum_{i,j} \Gamma_{\mu,i}^a(p'') D_{ij}(z) \Gamma_{\nu,j}^c(p')$, $(D^{-1})_{ij} = \delta_{ij}(z - m_i^b) - \Sigma_{ij}(z)$
 - $\Gamma(\gamma)$: the dressed (bare) vertices (a - annihilation, c - creation)
 - Σ : coupled-channel self-energy functions of the s -channel states



(a) The vertex.



(b) The self energy.

Details of the scattering equation

Backups

Potentials → field-theoretical construction

Parameters → determined by fits

The NP part

- Tree-level potentials
 - t -channel + u -channel + contact
 - Stemming from effective Lagrangians → SU(3) flavour symmetry, CP conservation, chiral symmetry
 - Established by time-ordered perturbation theory (TOPT) → stationary perturbation in Schrödinger picture
 - TOPT+partial wave → one-dimensional integral $\int p^2 dp$
 - **Regulators** for every vertex → to make the integral converge: $F(q) \sim \left(\frac{\Lambda^2 - m^2}{\Lambda^2 + q^2} \right)^n$
 m : the mass of the exchanged particle. Λ : cut-off (fit parameter)
- Beyond tree-level → correlated two-pion exchanges [Schütz et. al., PRC 49, 2671 (1994)] [Schütz et. al., PRC 51, 1374 (1995)]

The P part

- Stemming from effective Lagrangians with CP conservation (tree-level bare vertices)
- **Phenomenological contact terms** → $D \sim (1 - \Sigma)^{-1}$ [Rönchen et. al., EPJA 51, 70 (2015)]
- Renormalization of the nucleon mass

Phenomenological parameterizations

Backups

- Details

- Hadronic part: [Wang et. al., PRD 106, 094031 (2022)]
- Photoproduction: [Rönchen, Döring, and Meißner, EPJA 54, 110 (2018)]
- Electroproduction: [Mai et. al., EPJA 59, 286 (2023)]

- Transverse γ^*N potentials:

$$V_{\gamma^*\mu} = \alpha_{\gamma^*\mu} + \sum_i \frac{\gamma_{\mu i}^a \gamma_{\gamma^*i}^c}{W - m_i^b}, \quad \alpha_{\gamma^*\mu} = \tilde{F}_\mu(Q^2) \alpha_{\gamma\mu}, \quad \gamma_{\gamma^*i}^c = \tilde{F}_i(Q^2) \gamma_{\gamma i}^c$$

- $\tilde{F} \rightarrow \text{Exponential} \times \text{polynomial} \times \text{Woods-Saxon FF } (1 + Q^2/(0.71\text{GeV}^2))^{-1}$
- $\alpha_{\gamma\mu}, \gamma_{\gamma i} \rightarrow \text{Exponential} \times \text{polynomial}$

- Longitudinal γ^*N potentials \rightarrow constructed from transverse ones with constraints from Siegert's theorem [Siegert, PR 52, 787 (1937)]

$$\left. \frac{E_{l+}}{L_{l+}} \right|_{\text{PT-}} = 1, \quad \left. \frac{E_{l-}}{L_{l-}} \right|_{\text{PT-}} = \frac{l}{1-l} \quad (l \neq 1)$$

“PT-”: $Q^2 = -(W - m_N)^2$

- Kinematic constraints: Multipoles $M \rightarrow RM$ with R the Blatt-Weisskopf barrier-penetration factor

[J. Blatt, V. Weisskopf, Theoretical Nuclear Physics, John Wiley & Sons, New York, 1952]

Transverse charge distributions: definition

Backups

[Tiator & Vanderhaeghen, PLB 672, 344 (2009)]

- The light front frame:
 - Large momentum along $P = (p_{N^*} + p_N)/2$ (as z-axis)
 - Light front component $v^\pm \equiv v^0 \pm v^3$
 - Symmetric frame $q_{\gamma^*}^+ = 0$, the transverse component on xOy plane $\mathbf{q}_\perp^2 = Q^2$
- The transverse charge density for the transition:

$$\rho(\mathbf{b}) \equiv \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{b}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{1}{2P^+} e^{-i\mathbf{q}_\perp \cdot \mathbf{b}} \left\langle P^+, \frac{\mathbf{q}_\perp}{2}, \lambda_{N^*} \left| J^+(0) \right| P^+, -\frac{\mathbf{q}_\perp}{2}, \lambda_N \right\rangle$$

- λ : helicity
 - J^+ : quark charge current, “+” component
 - \mathbf{b} : 2D position on xOy plane
- The quark charge distribution that is responsible for the $N \rightarrow N^*$ transition
- Two independent densities
 - ρ_0 : unpolarized \rightarrow only depends on $|\mathbf{b}|$
 - ρ_T : polarized along x-axis, $|\lambda\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|+\frac{1}{2}\rangle + |-\frac{1}{2}\rangle)$

Transverse charge distributions: calculation

Backups

[Tiator & Vanderhaeghen, PLB 672, 344 (2009)]

- Helicity TFFs in terms of Pauli-Dirac TFFs

$$A_{1/2} = \frac{eQ_-}{\sqrt{4Km_N M_R}} (F_1 + F_2)$$
$$S_{1/2} = \frac{eQ_-}{\sqrt{8Km_N M_R}} \frac{Q_+ Q_-}{2M_R} \frac{M_R + m_N}{Q^2} \left[F_1 - \frac{Q^2}{(m_N + M_R)^2} F_2 \right]$$

with $Q_{\pm} = \sqrt{(M_R \pm m_N)^2 + Q^2}$

- Unpolarized (J_n : cylindrical Bessel function)

$$\rho_0(\mathbf{b}) = \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{dQ}{2\pi} Q J_0(|\mathbf{b}|Q) F_1(Q^2)$$

- Polarized ($\sin \phi = b_y/|\mathbf{b}|$)

$$\rho_T(\mathbf{b}) = \rho_0(\mathbf{b}) + \sin \phi \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{dQ}{2\pi} \frac{Q^2}{m_N + M_R} J_1(|\mathbf{b}|Q) F_2(Q^2)$$