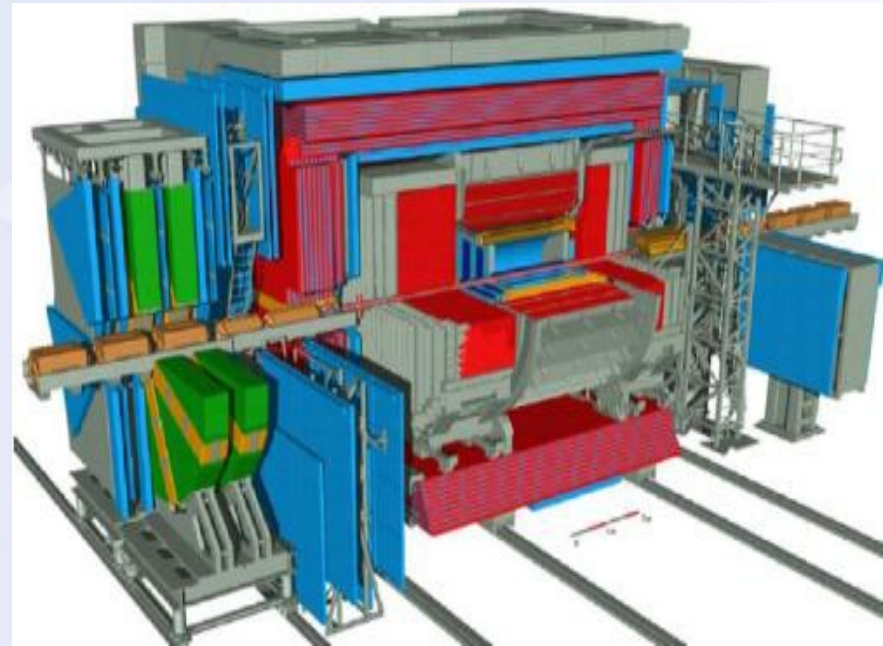


# Exclusive dipion production

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- $Q^2$  dependence

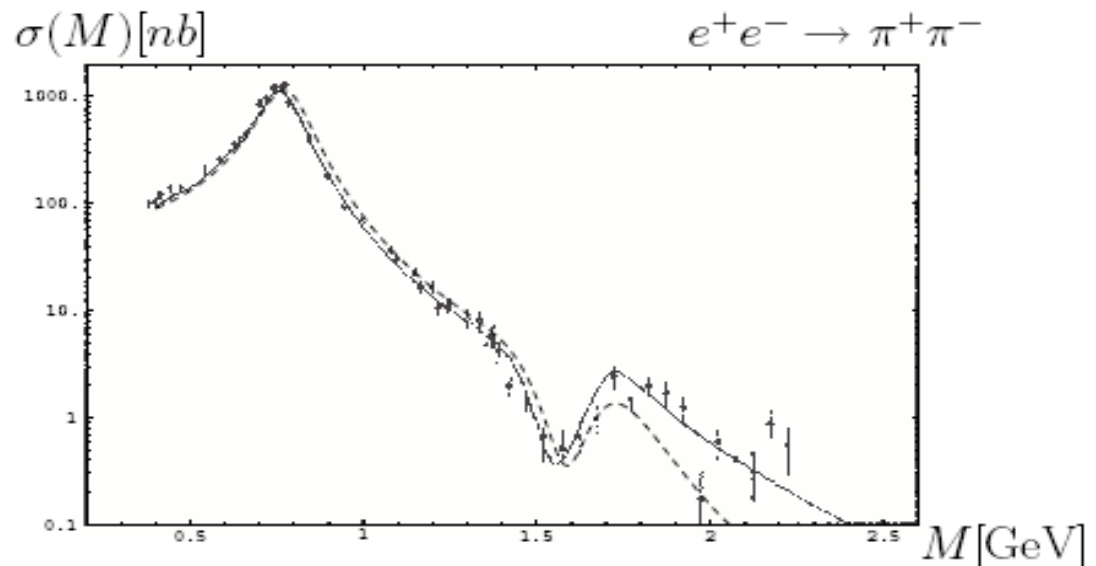


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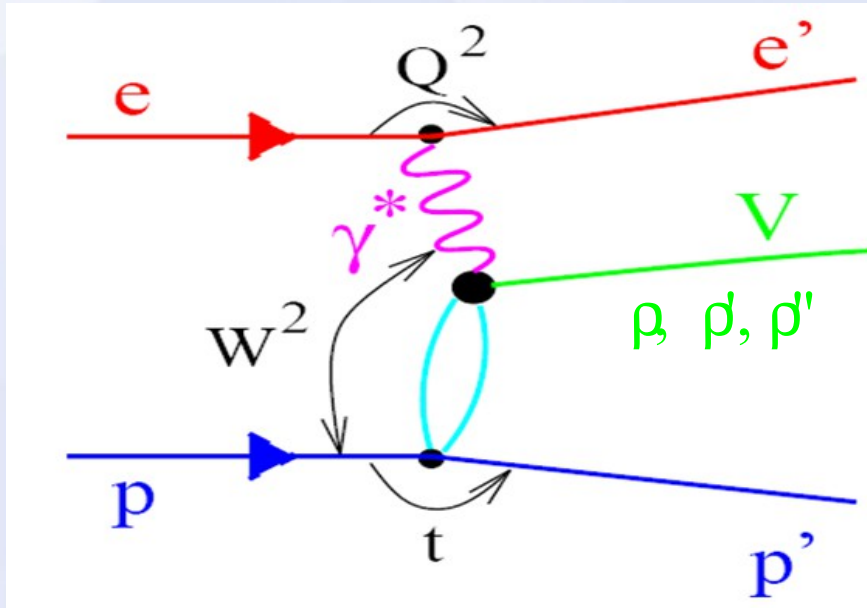
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# Motivation

- Intensive studies of the production of ground-state vector mesons at HERA,  $V = \rho, \phi, \omega, J/\psi, \Upsilon$ , which are 1S triplet  $q\bar{q}$  states
- Lack of studies for radially excited 2S states and orbitally excited 2D states
- The two-pion decay mode of  $\rho'(1450)$  (is assumed to be predominantly a radially excited 2S state) and  $\rho''(1700)$  (an orbitally excited 2D state) is related to the electromagnetic form factor of the pion
- Previous studies in the annihilation process



# Vector Meson production



M – invariant mass of the Vector Meson  
 $Q^2$  – the four-momentum squared of the virtual photon  
t- the square of the momentum transfer between hadrons  
W – center-of-mass energy of the photon proton system

$\theta_h, \varphi_h$  - the polar/azimuthal angle of the positively charged pion in the helicity frame

$\Phi_h$  - the angle between the  $\pi^+\pi^-$  production plane and the positron scattering plane

# The pion form factor

$$\frac{dN(M_{\pi\pi})}{dM_{\pi\pi}} \propto |F_{\pi}(M_{\pi\pi})|^2$$

Kuhn-Santamaria parametrisation  $\rightarrow$  Pion form factor includes contribution from  $\rho$ ,  $\rho'$ ,  $\rho''$  resonances

$$F_{\pi}(M_{\pi\pi}) = \frac{BW_{\rho}(M_{\pi\pi}) + \beta BW_{\rho'}(M_{\pi\pi}) + \gamma BW_{\rho''}(M_{\pi\pi})}{1 + \beta + \gamma}$$

Relatives amplitudes

$$BW_V(M_{\pi\pi}) = \frac{M_V^2}{M_V^2 - M_{\pi\pi}^2 - i M_V \Gamma_V(M_{\pi\pi})}$$

vector-meson mass

Momentum-dependent width

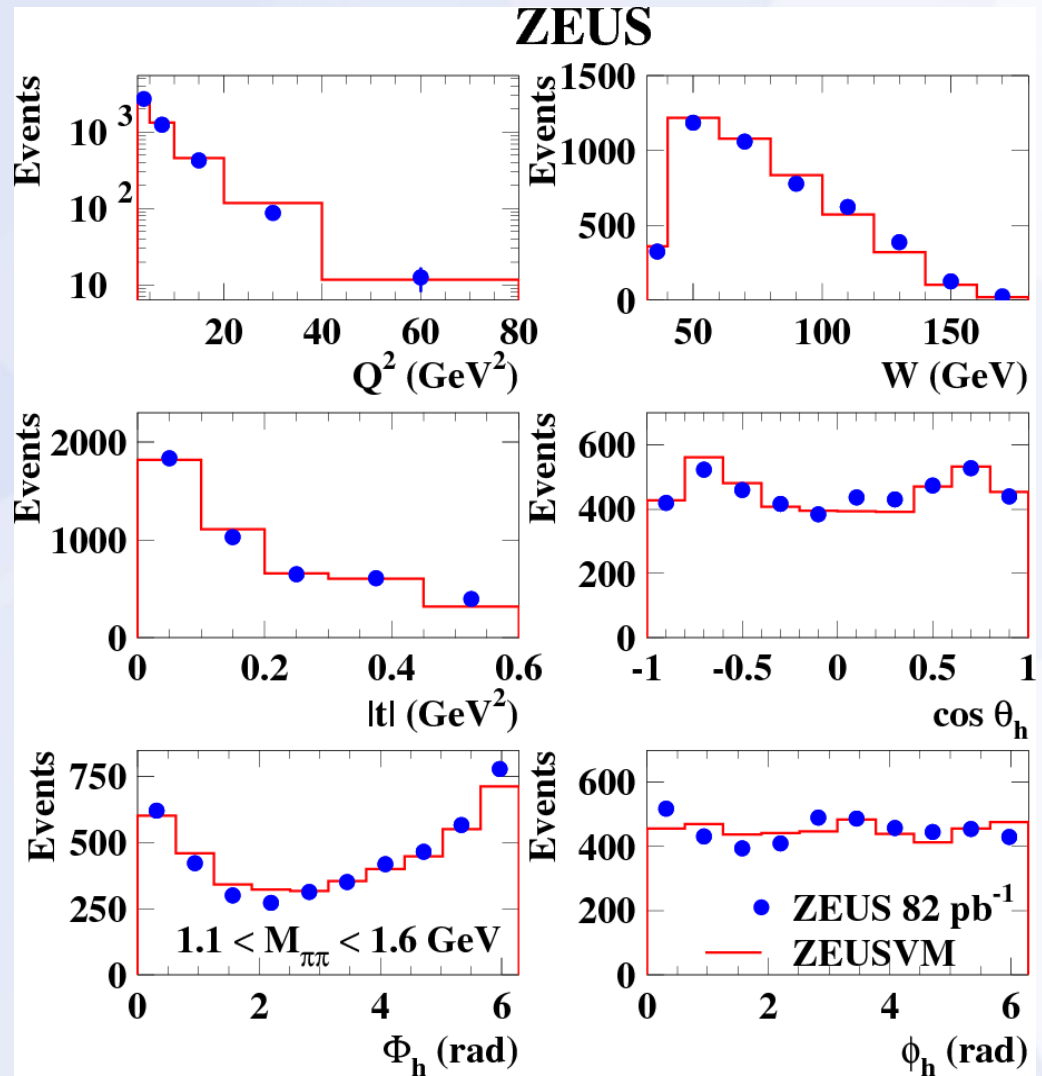
$$\Gamma_V(M_{\pi\pi}) = \Gamma \left[ \frac{p_{\pi}(M_{\pi\pi})}{p_{\pi}(M_V)} \right]^3 \left[ \frac{M_V^2}{M_{\pi\pi}^2} \right]$$

# Selection

- ▷ Scattered electron
- ▷ 2 pions in final state
- ▷ no detected proton

Kinematic range:

- ▷  $0.4 < M_{\pi\pi} < 2.5 \text{ GeV}$
- ▷  $2 < Q^2 < 80 \text{ GeV}^2$
- ▷  $32 < W < 180 \text{ GeV}$
- ▷  $|t| < 0.6 \text{ GeV}^2$



# The mass fit

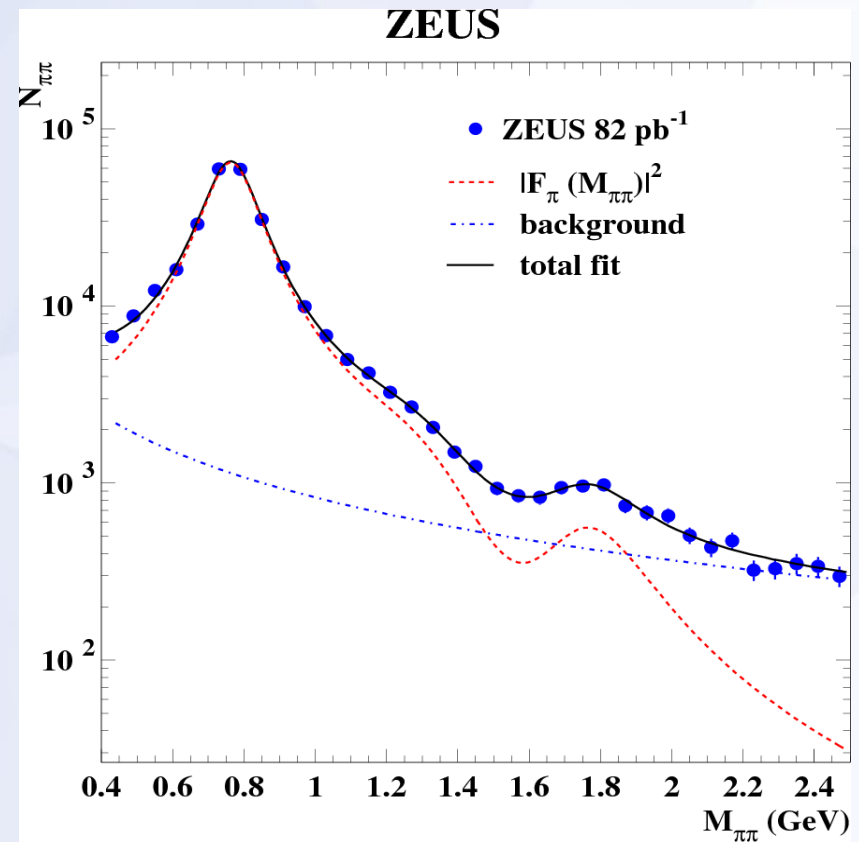
The two pion invariant mass is fitted as:

$$\frac{dN}{dM_{\pi\pi}} = N \left[ |F_{\pi}|^2 + B \left( \frac{M_{\rho}}{M_{\pi\pi}} \right)^n \right]$$

$$F_{\pi}(M_{\pi\pi}) = \frac{[\text{BW}(\rho) + \beta \text{BW}(\rho') + \gamma \text{BW}(\rho'')]}{(1 + \beta + \gamma)}$$

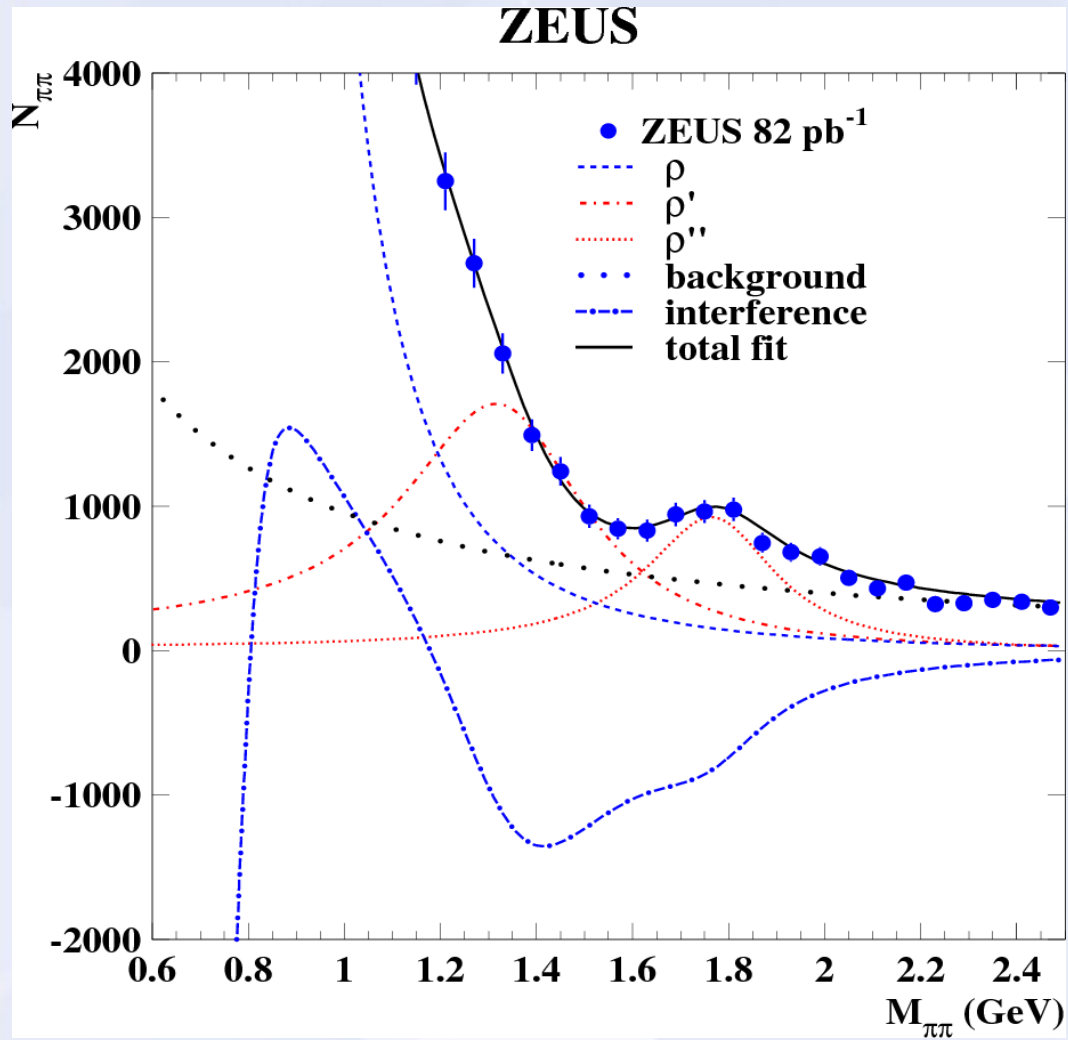
- $\beta, \gamma$  are relative amplitudes
- BW - Breit Wigner amplitude

B, n – background parameters





# The mass fit



- $\rho$  (770) and  $\rho''$ (1700) are clearly visible,
- $\rho'$ (1450) - mere shoulder

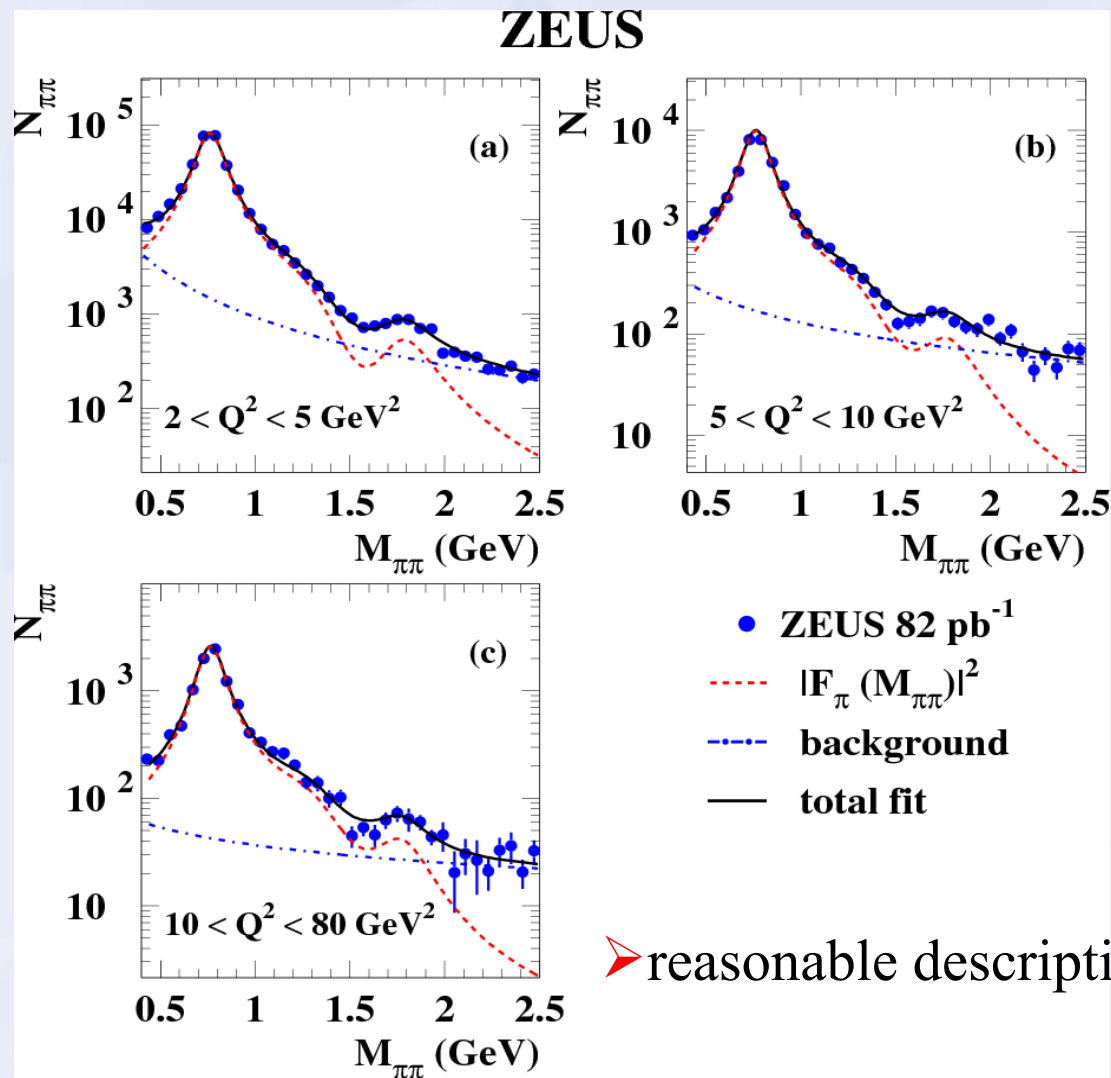
## The mass fit parameters

Parameter	ZEUS	PDG
$M_\rho$ (MeV)	$771 \pm 2_{-1}^{+2}$	$775.49 \pm 0.34$
$\Gamma_\rho$ (MeV)	$155 \pm 5 \pm 2$	$149.1 \pm 0.8$
$\beta$	$-0.27 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.02$	
$M_{\rho'}$ (MeV)	$1350 \pm 20_{-30}^{+20}$	$1465 \pm 25$
$\Gamma_{\rho'}$ (MeV)	$460 \pm 30_{-45}^{+40}$	$400 \pm 60$
$\gamma$	$0.10 \pm 0.02_{-0.01}^{+0.02}$	
$M_{\rho''}$ (MeV)	$1780 \pm 20_{-20}^{+15}$	$1720 \pm 20$
$\Gamma_{\rho''}$ (MeV)	$310 \pm 30_{-35}^{+25}$	$250 \pm 100$
$B$	$0.41 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.07$	
$n$	$1.30 \pm 0.06_{-0.13}^{+0.18}$	

the masses and the widths of the  $\rho$  (770) and  $\rho''$ (1700) as well as the width of  $\rho'$ (1450) agree with Particle Data Group (PDG)



# $Q^2$ dependence of the pion form factor



Fit: the masses and the widths of the three resonances were fixed to the values of the complete sample

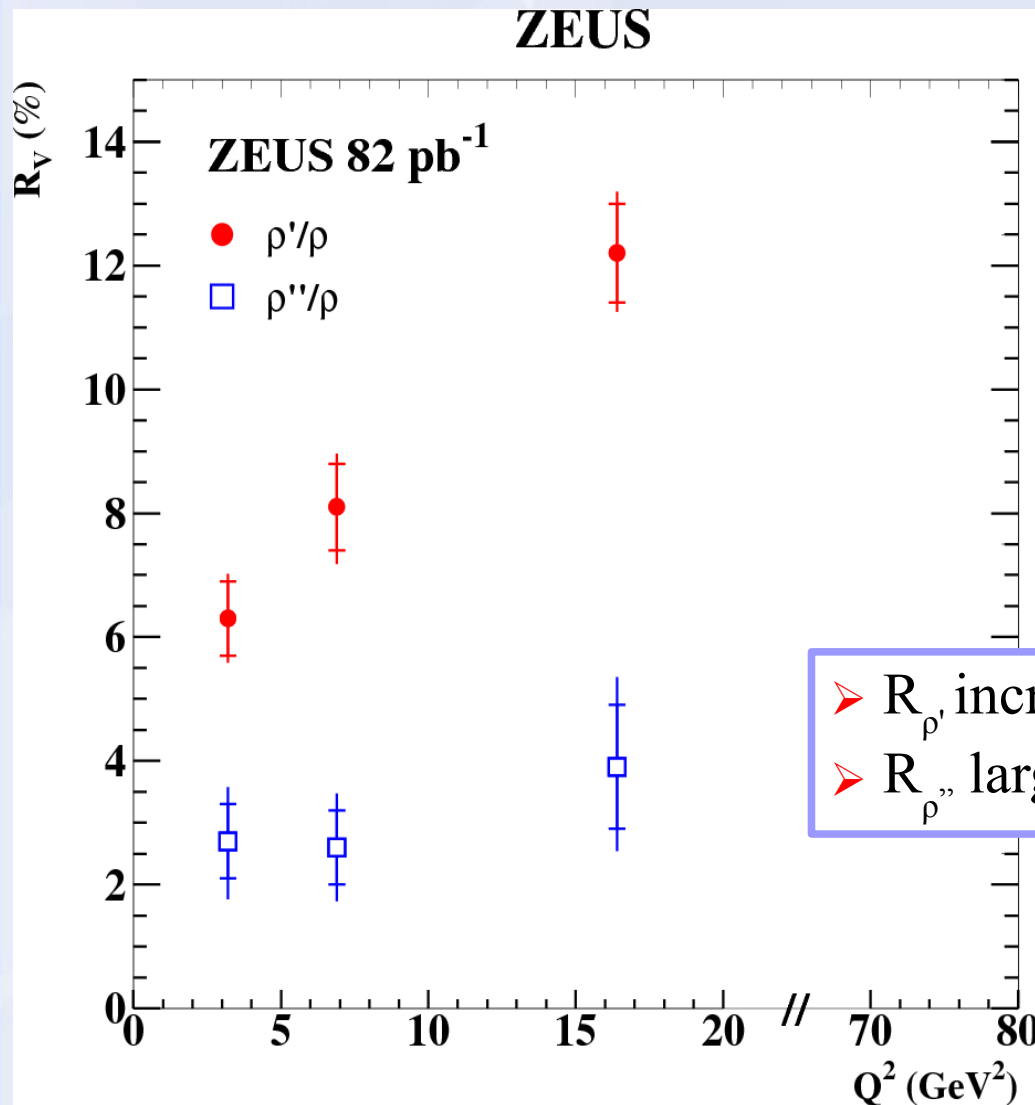
➤ reasonable description of data in three  $Q^2$  regions

## $Q^2$ dependence of the pion form factor

$Q^2(\text{GeV}^2)$	2–5	5–10	10–80
$\beta$	$-0.249 \pm 0.008^{+0.005}_{-0.003}$	$-0.282 \pm 0.008^{+0.005}_{-0.008}$	$-0.35 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.01$
$\gamma$	$0.100 \pm 0.009 \pm 0.003$	$0.098 \pm 0.012^{+0.005}_{-0.003}$	$0.118 \pm 0.022^{+0.008}_{-0.006}$

- the absolute value of  $\beta$  increases with  $Q^2$
- $\gamma$  remains  $Q^2$  independent within the uncertainties

# Cross-section ratios as a function of $Q^2$



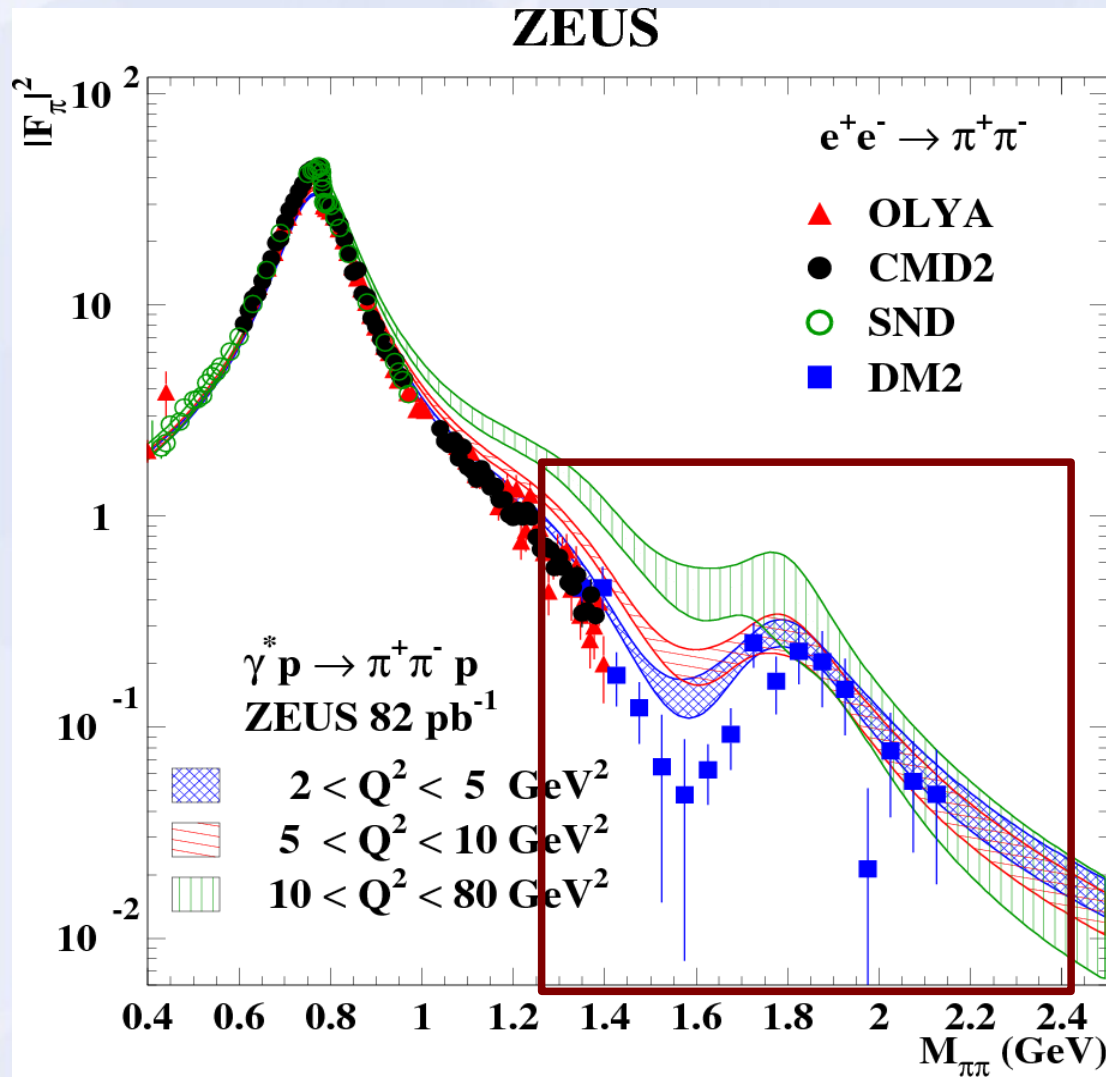
$$R_V = \frac{\sigma(V) \text{Br}(V \rightarrow \pi\pi)}{\sigma(\rho)}$$

↙ Cross section for  
vector-meson  
production

↓ Branching ratio of  
the vector meson  
 $V(\rho', \rho'')$  into  $\pi\pi$

- $R_{\rho'}$  increases with  $Q^2$
- $R_{\rho''}$  large uncertainties → no conclusion

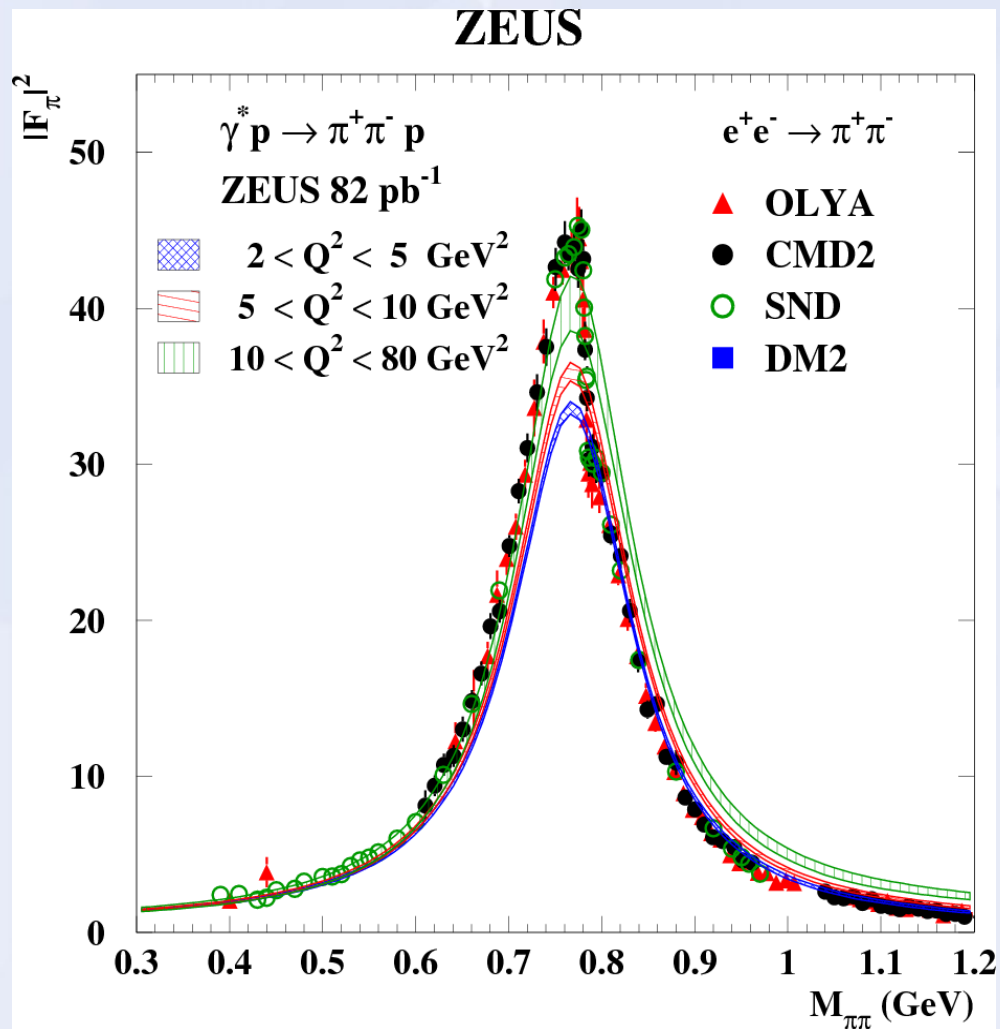
# Pion form-factor



The features of the pion form factor observed in ZEUS experiment are similar as in  $e^+e^-$  experiment

Dependence of pion form-factor on  $Q^2$

# Pion form-factor



In the  $\rho$  peak, the pion form-factor is highest at the highest  $Q^2$

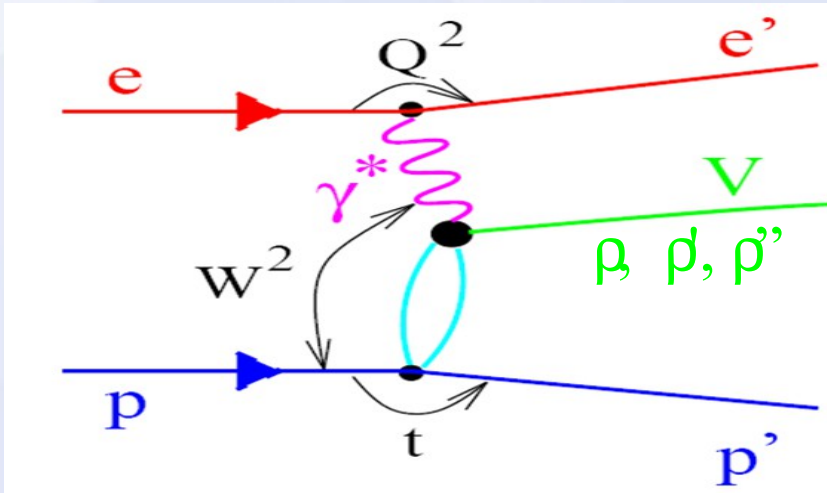
## Conclusions

- Exclusive two-pion electroproduction has been studied by ZEUS at HERA
- The mass distribution is well described by the pion electromagnetic form factor
- The ratio  $R\rho'/\rho$  rises strongly with  $Q^2$
- The  $Q^2$  dependence of the pion form-factor is observed

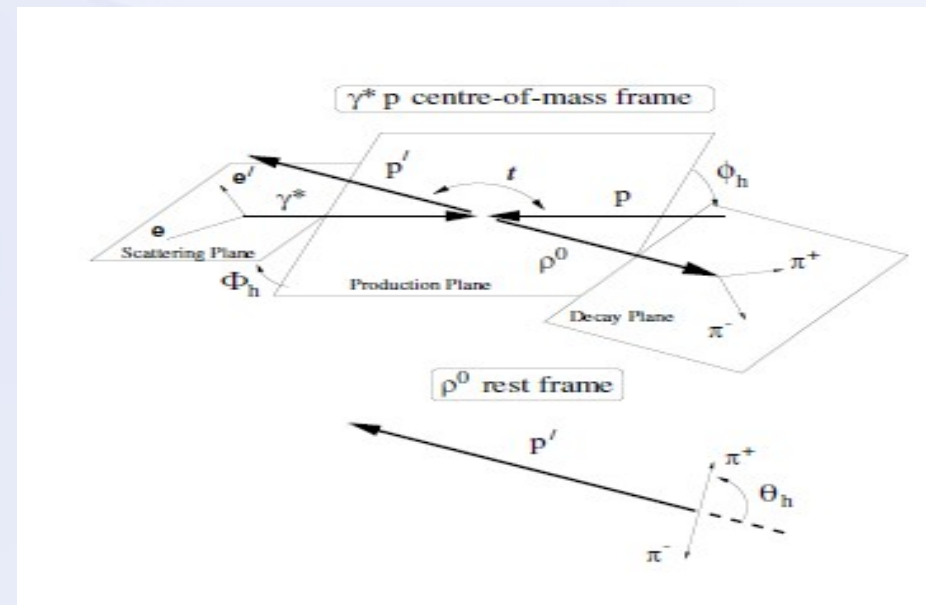
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# Vector Meson production

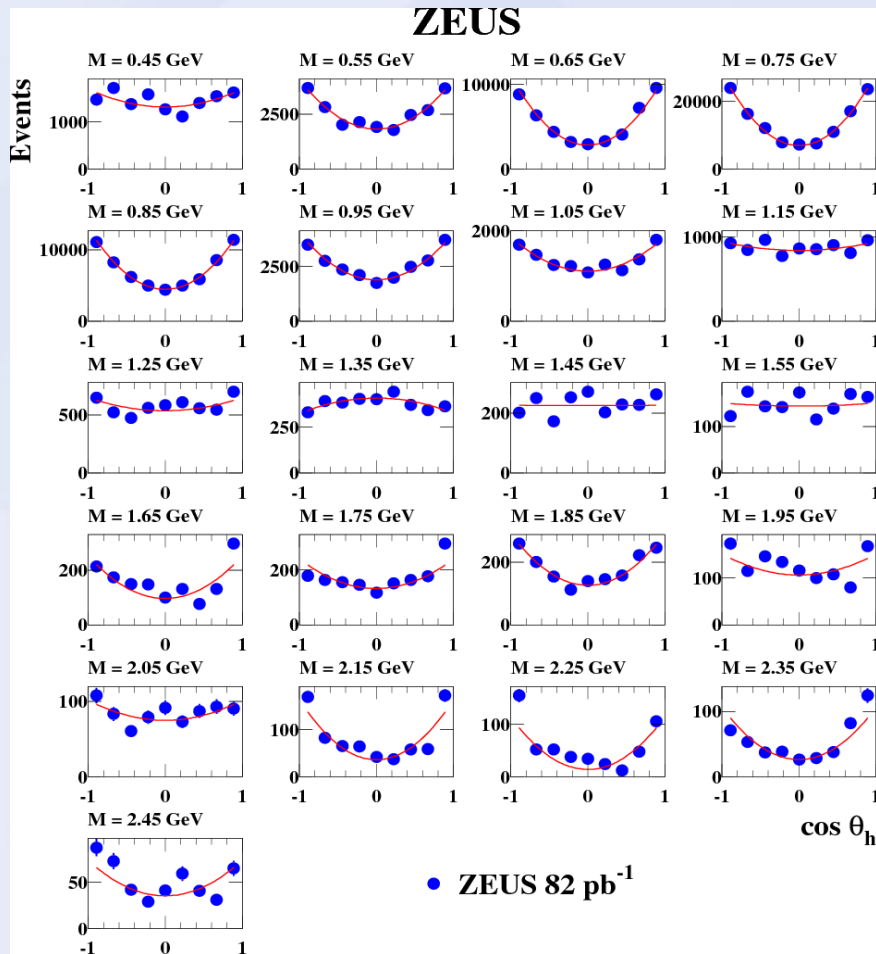


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# Decay angular distributions

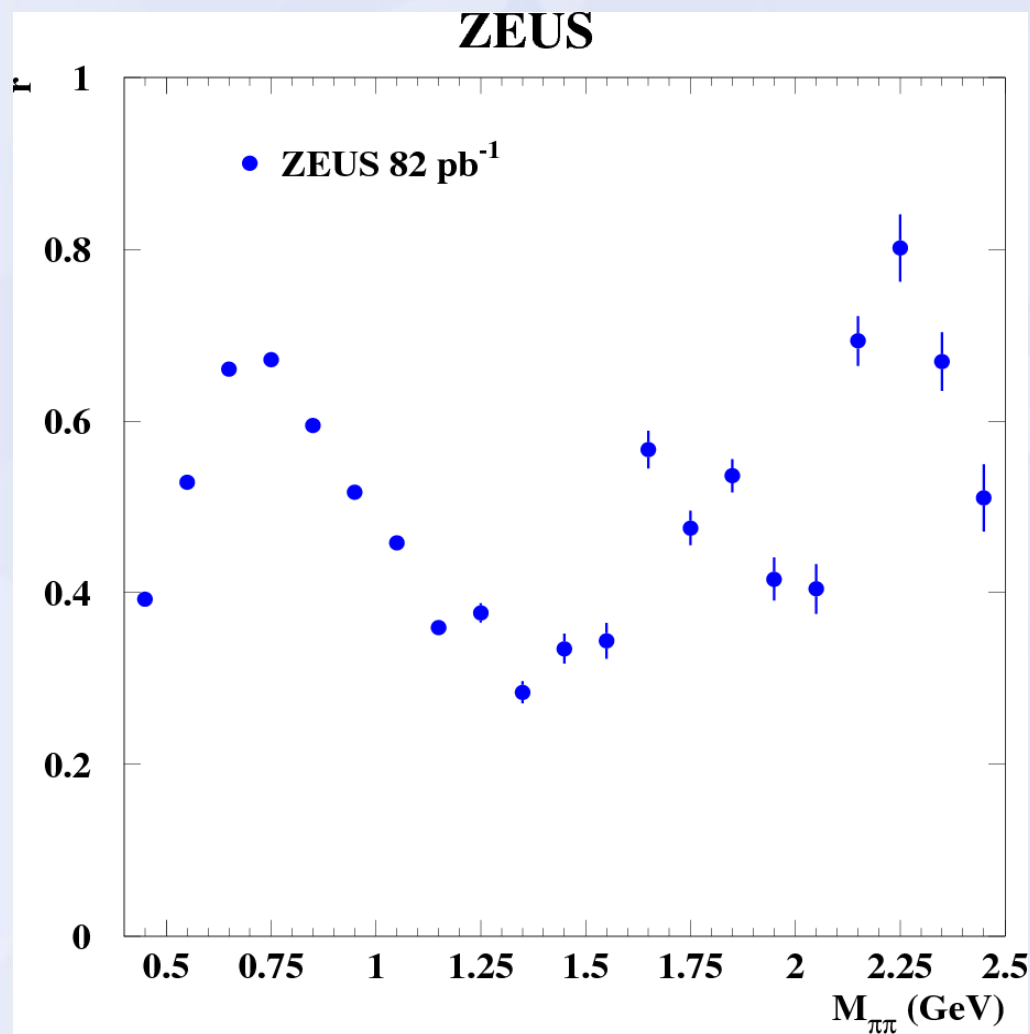
Decay angular distributions -> determine the spin density-matrix elements of a resonance



$$W(\cos\theta_h) \propto [1 - r + (3r - 1)\cos^2\theta_h]$$

Shape of  $\theta_h$  dependent of mass

## r dependence



$M < 1.1$  GeV :

$r$  – agreement with the values for  $\rho$  analysis

$M > 1.1$  GeV :

- not easy to interpret:

- dip around 1.3 GeV follow the location  $\rho'$
- enhancement at 1.6 GeV seems to follow location  $\rho''$