

Minimal Models for Partial-Wave Analysis

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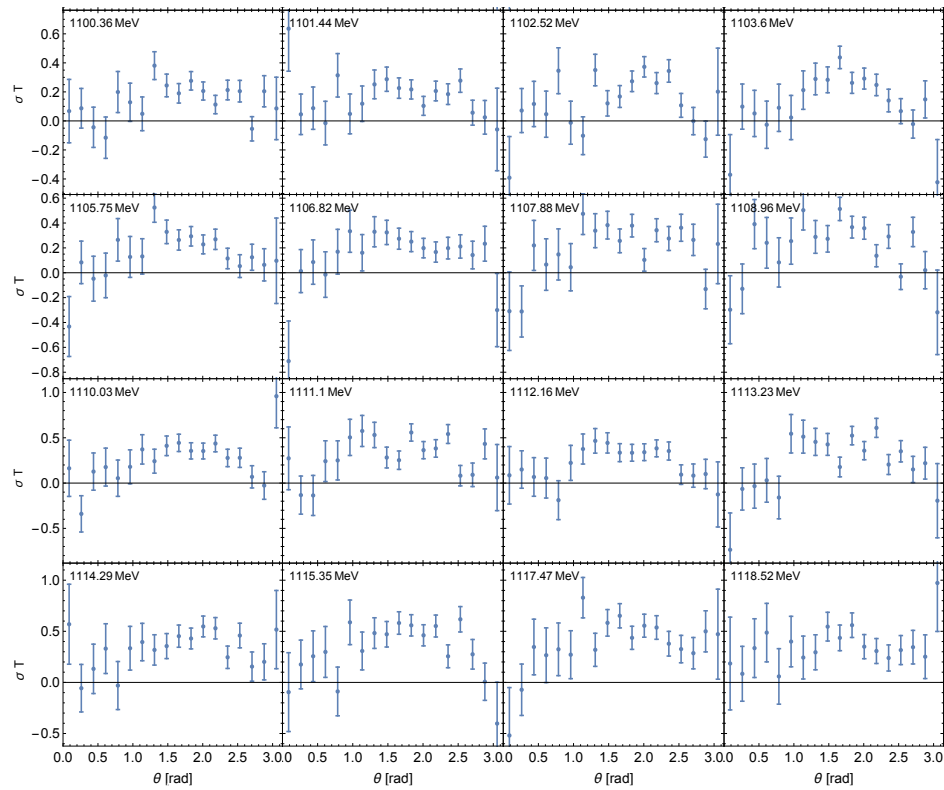
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Problem: How to fit all of the data?



S. Schumann et al. [A2 Collaboration], Phys. Lett. B 750, 252 (2015).

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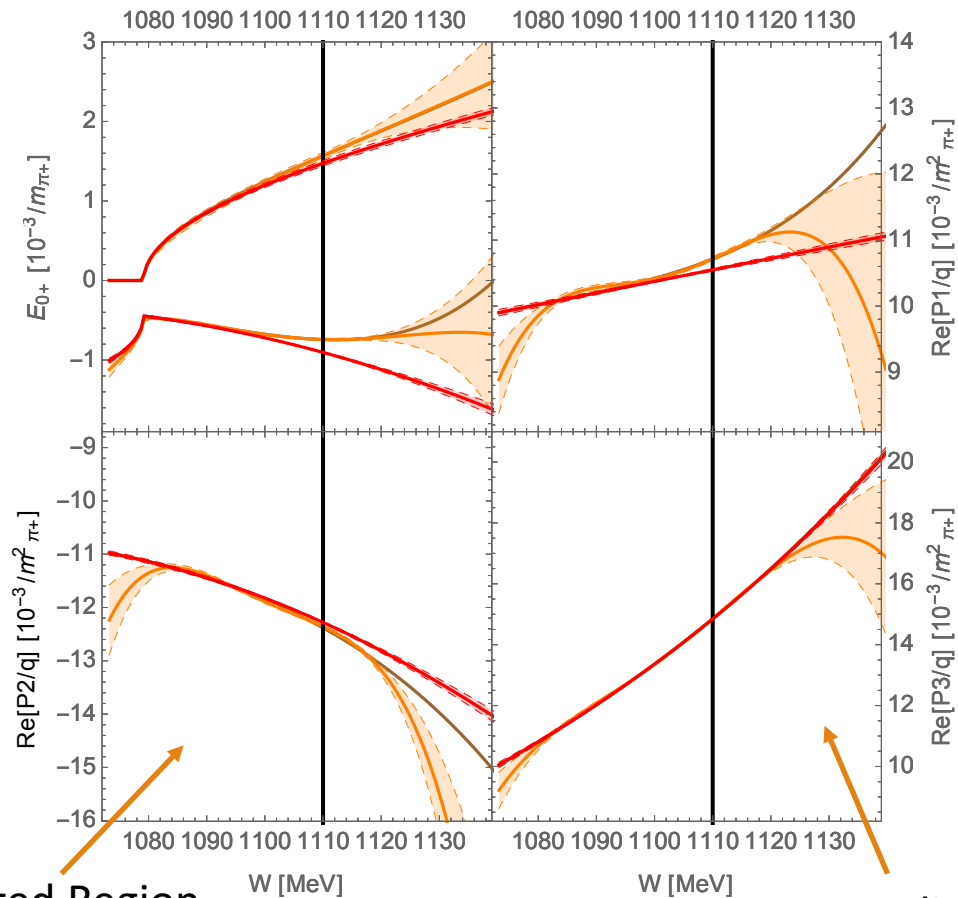
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Different models can give satisfactory fits. How do we determine the optimal one?



All solutions pass Pearson's Chi-Squared test.

Orange Solution- 52 parameters

Red Solution – 13 parameters

Fitted Region

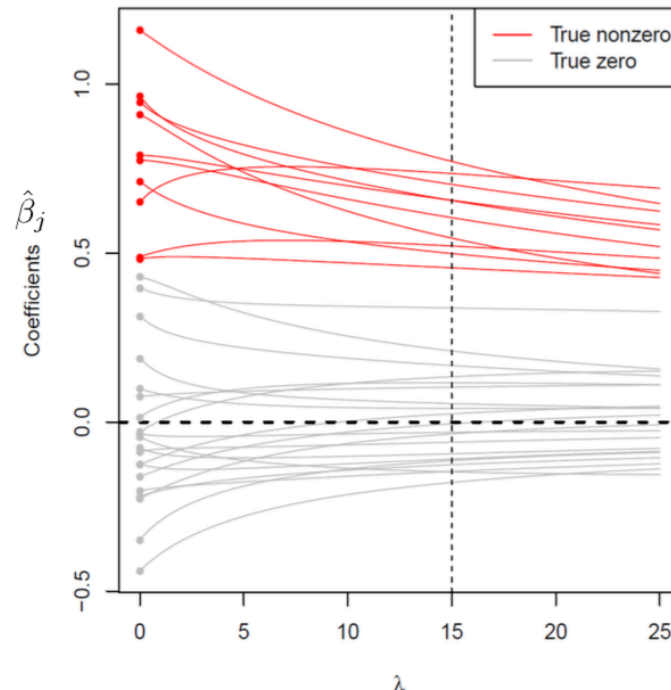
Predicted Region

Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator (LASSO)

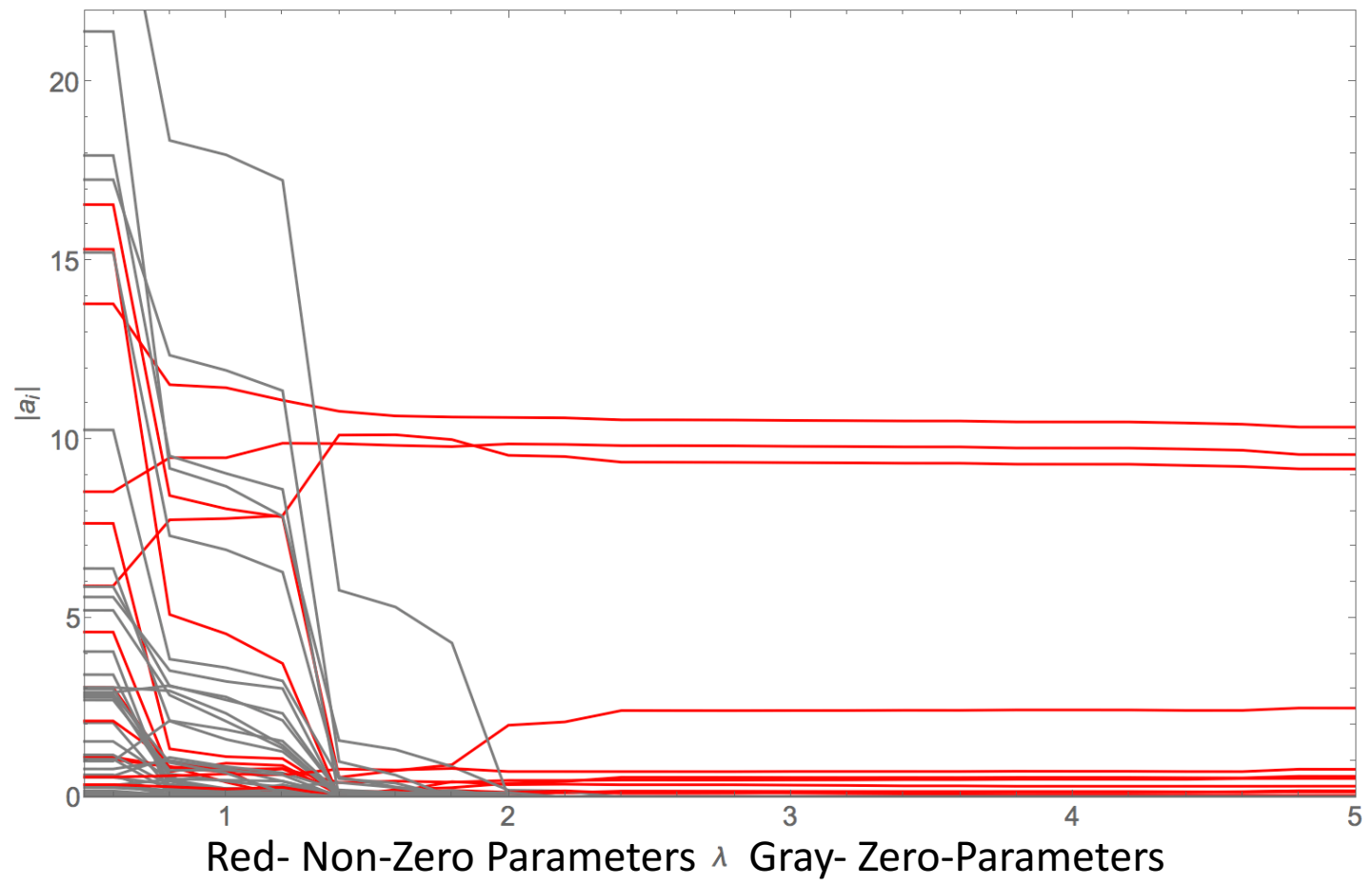
- Consider adding the moduli of fit parameters β_j to the chi-square, to some power ℓ :

$$\chi^2(\beta_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - f(x_i, \beta_j))^2}{\sigma_i^2} \rightarrow \chi^2(\beta_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - f(x_i, \beta_j))^2}{\sigma_i^2} + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^m |\beta_j|^\ell \quad \text{LASSO: } \ell = 1$$

- What happens with the best parameters $\hat{\beta}_j$ of the minimized chi-square, as a function of the penalty parameter λ ?
- Consider “Ridge regression”, that is a “ ℓ_2 penalty”, i.e., $\ell_2 = 2$.
- Result: Truly non-zero parameters stay finite, despite the finite penalty (as long as the penalty is not too large). Truly zero parameters become smaller, but do not go strictly to zero.
- Can we force truly-zero parameters to vanish?



Lasso Example: Fit to data from toy model with known best parameters



LASSO is capable of setting coefficients exactly to zero

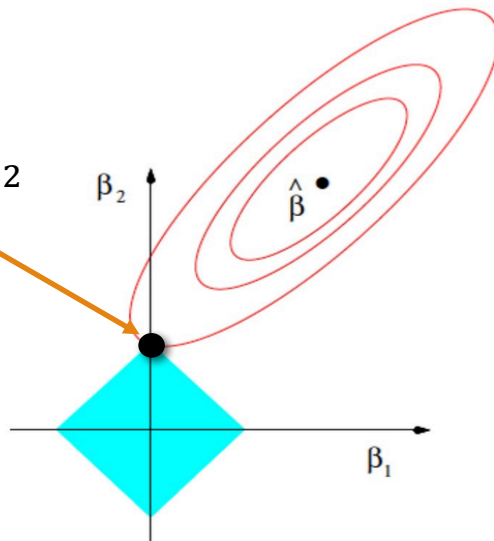
$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - f(x_i, \beta_j))^2}{\sigma_i^2}}_{\text{Normal } \chi^2} + \underbrace{\lambda \sum_{j=1}^m |\beta_j|}_{\text{Penalty Term}}$$

$\hat{\beta}_i$: Best parameters without penalty
 $\beta_i = 0$: Best parameters only penalty

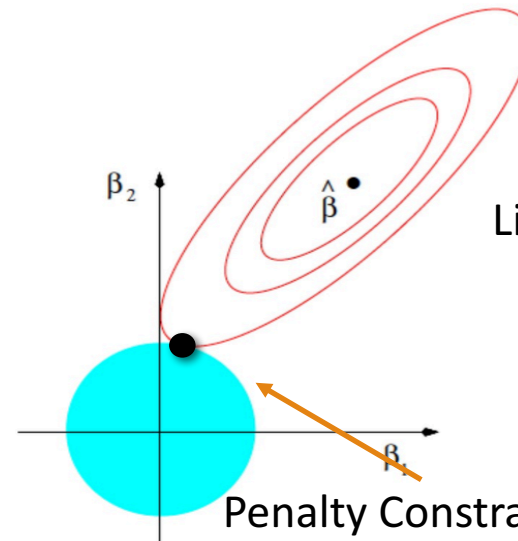
LASSO

Ridge Regression

Simultaneous minimization of χ^2 and Penalty



Lines of constant χ^2



Penalty Constraint

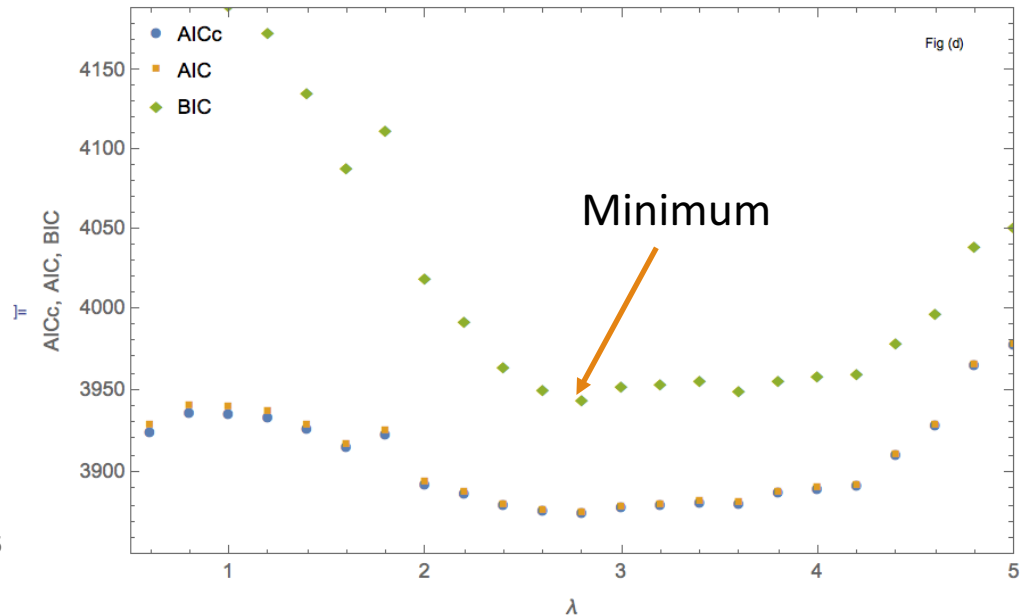
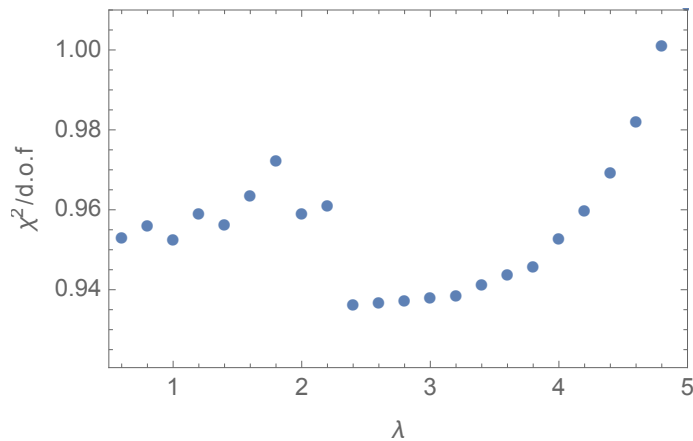
How to decide best value of λ ?

$$AIC = 2k + \chi^2$$

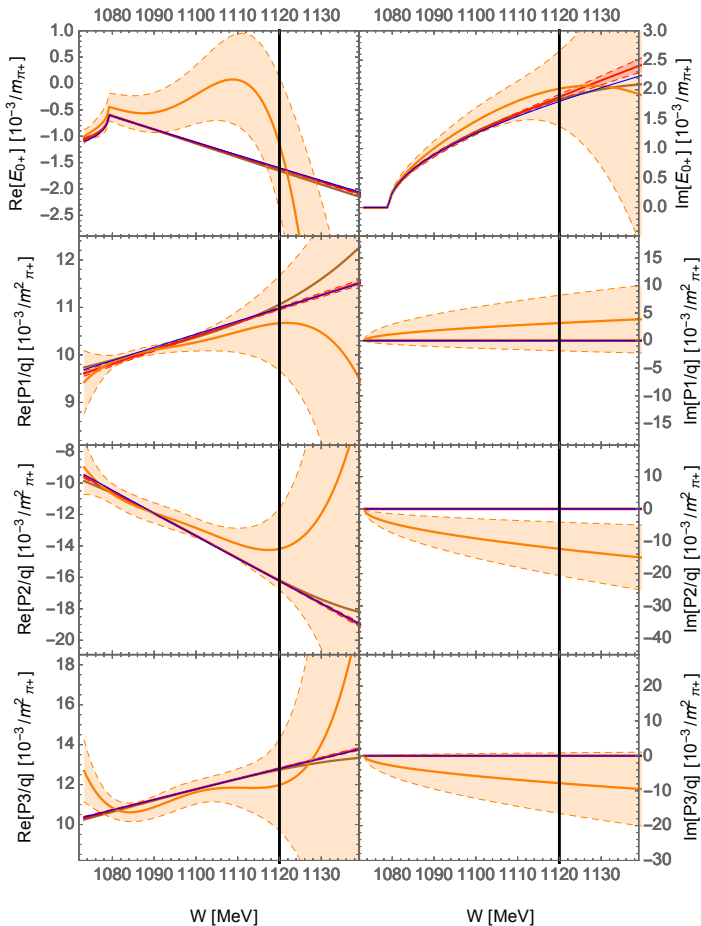
$$AICc = AIC + \frac{2k(k+1)}{(n-k+1)}$$

$$BIC = k \log n + \chi^2$$

k : Number of parameters
 n : Number of data points

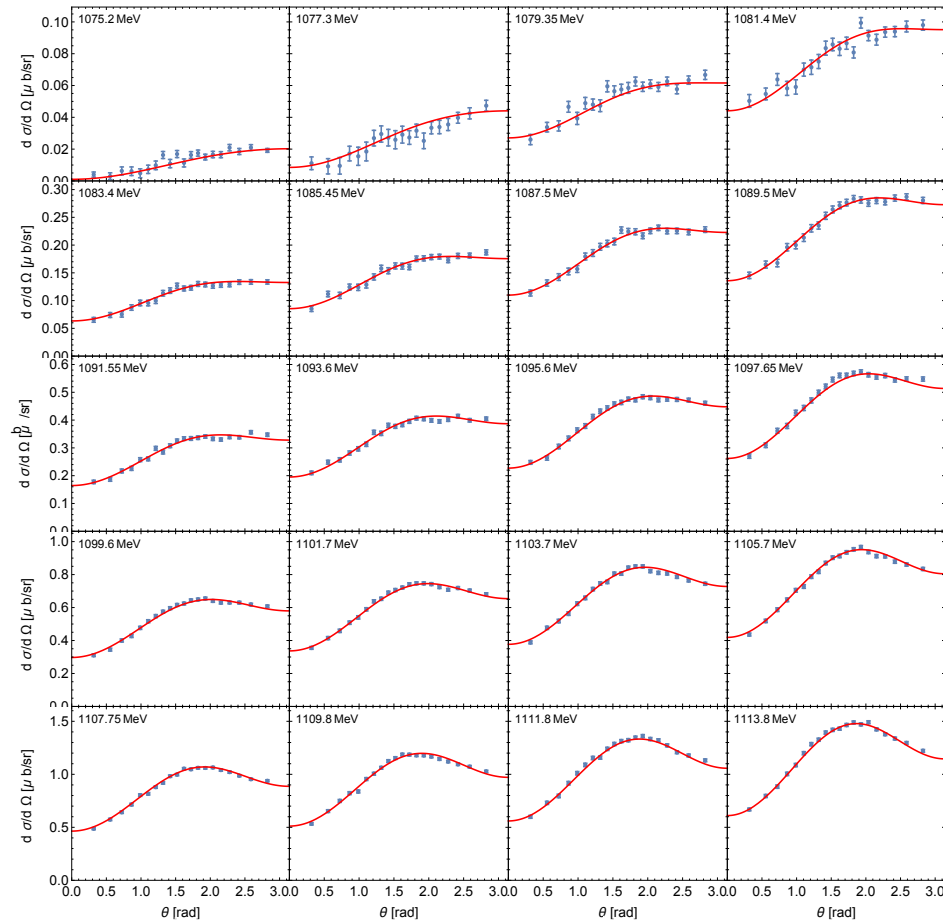


Toy Model Results



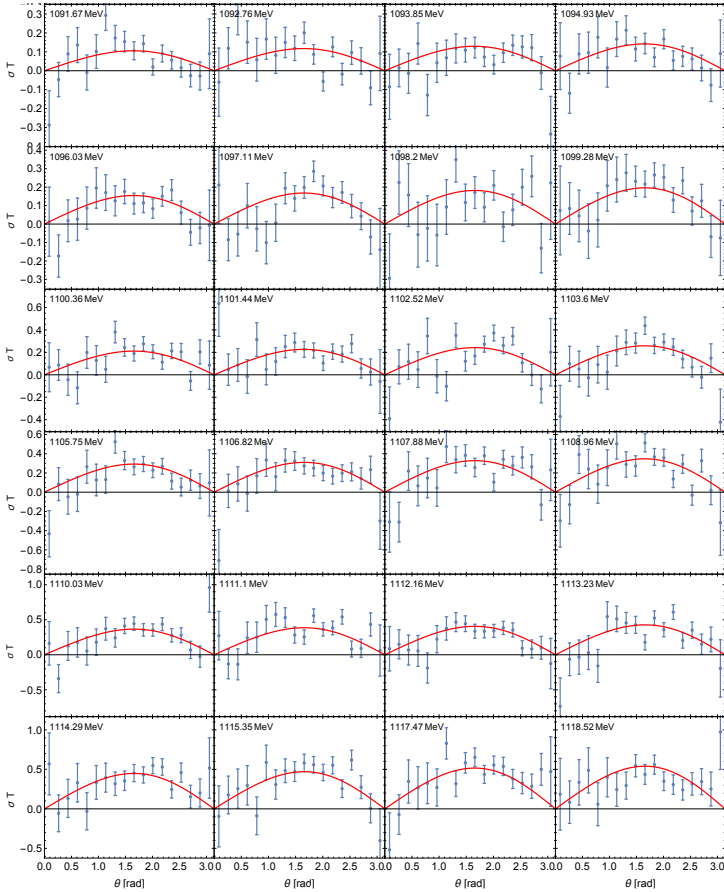
- Generate data from a toy model using a 9 parameter model (2 real S-waves, 1 imaginary S-wave, and 2 real $P_{1,2,3}$ –waves shown in blue)
- LASSO (red) eliminates 36 parameters from a 46 parameter fit (orange) and reconstructs the true solution (blue) quite accurately
- LASSO sets all imaginary parts of P-waves and D- waves correctly to 0
- LASSO solution predicts true solution quite accurately beyond the fitted $W_{\max} = 1120$ MeV

Analysis of Real Data (Differential Cross Section)



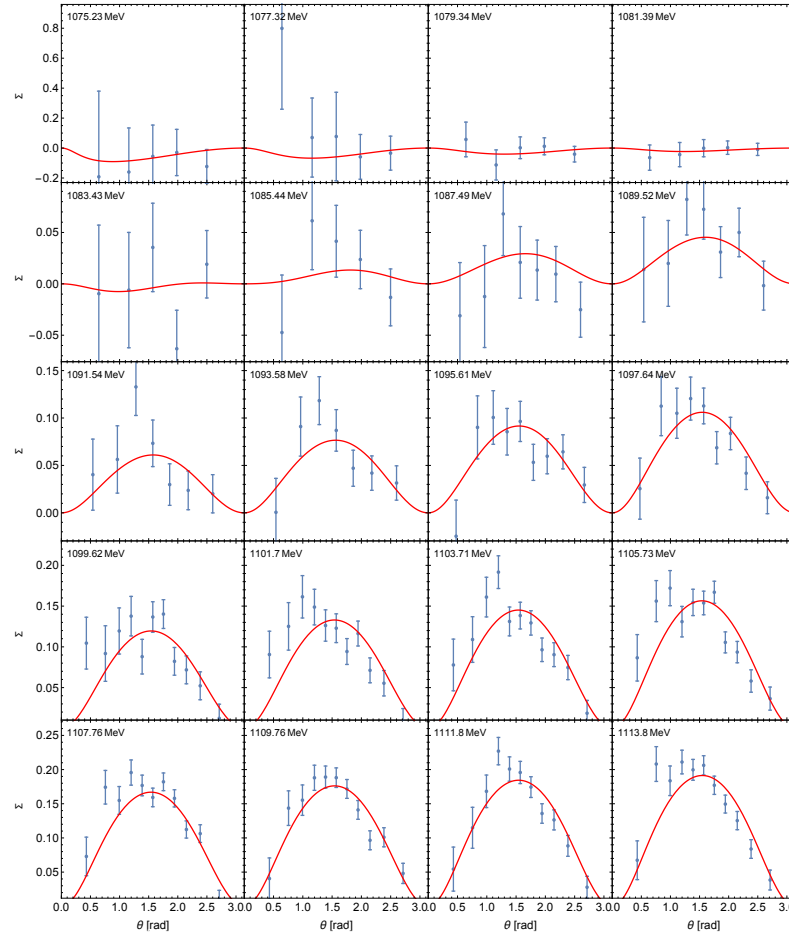
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Analysis of Real Data (Target Polarization)



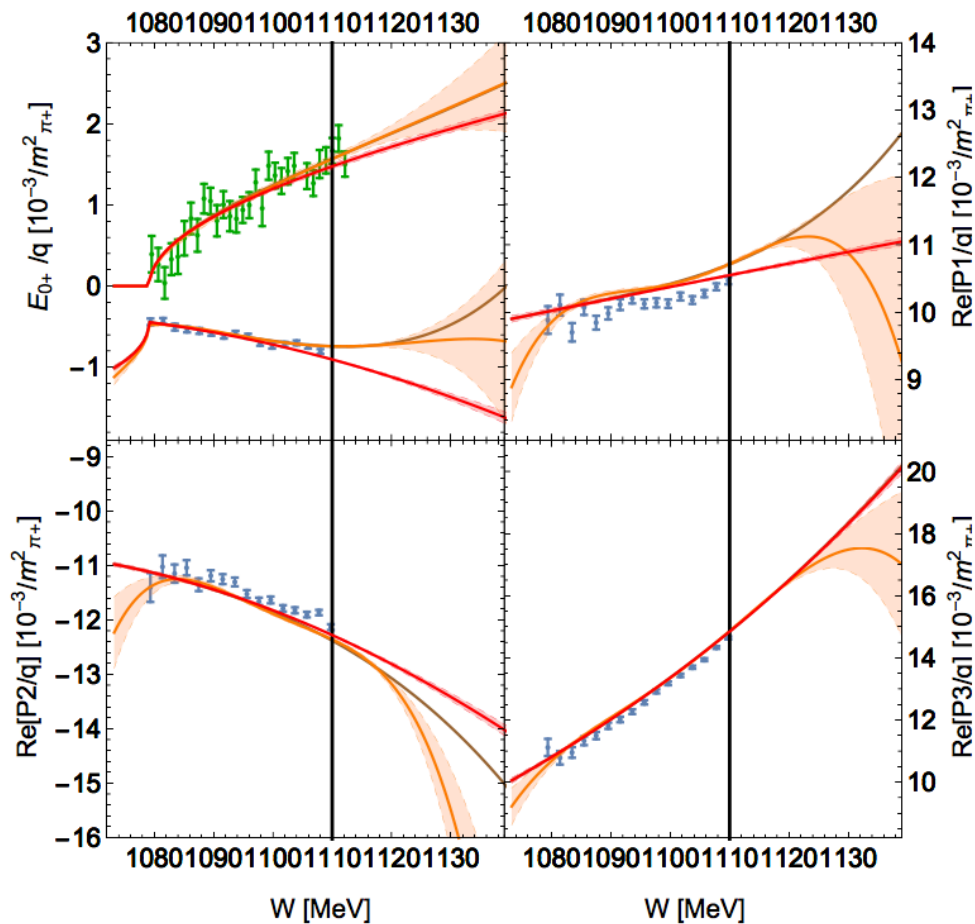
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Analysis of Real Data (Beam Assymetry)



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Extraction of Multipoles



— 46 parameter fit

— 10 parameter fit



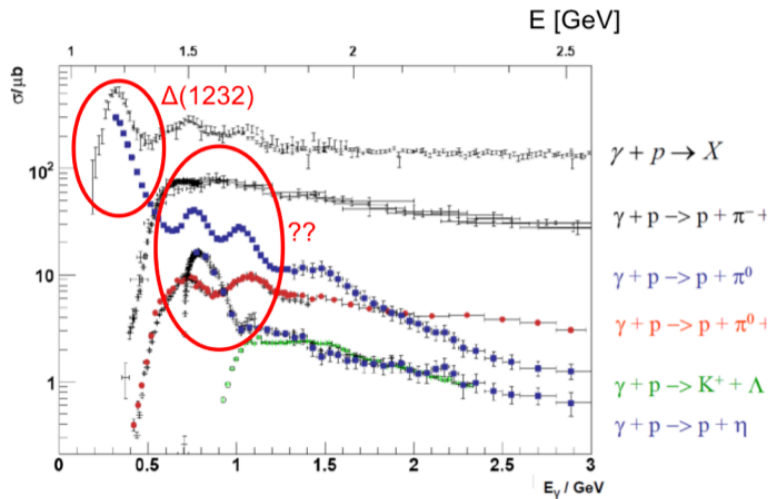
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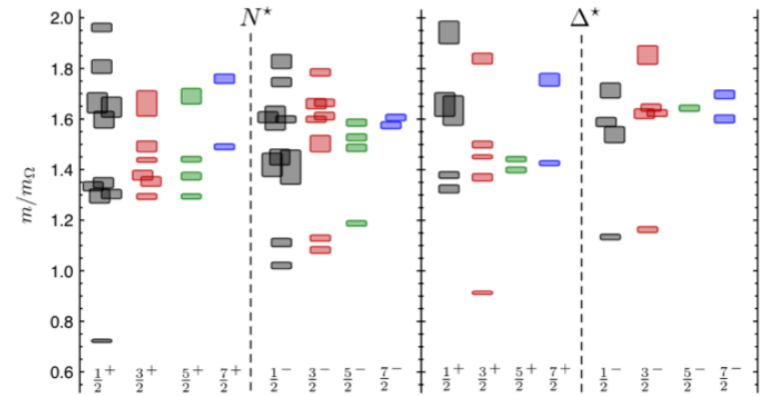
Outlook: The missing resonance problem

Experimental study of hadronic reactions



source: ELSA; data: ELSA, JLab, MAMI

Theoretical predictions of excited hadrons
e.g. from lattice calculations:



$m_\pi = 396$ MeV [Edwards *et al.*, Phys.Rev. D84 (2011)]

Much less resonances experimentally seen (even after multipole decomposition) \Rightarrow than theoretically predicted.

Missing resonance problem

- In energy dependent fits of multipoles to data, many times resonances are used as easy fix to describe data \rightarrow Problematic overpopulation of resonance spectrum
- Solution: Penalize the occurrence of resonances with LASSO and only allow them if really needed by data.
- In practical terms: Provide very flexible background (so the fit can use it to describe data)+ overpopulated resonance spectrum. Then, LASSO will eliminate all but the significant resonances

Conclusions

LASSO provides automatized and blindfolded method to scan larges classes of models and select the simplest one

In the case of pion photo-production LASSO fit results provide optimal accuracy and predictability.

LASSO has great potential to be used with resonance data and address missing resonance problem

Solution— The LASSO

- Least Absolute Selection and Shrinkage Operator
- Invented by Tibshirani 1996 <http://statweb.stanford.edu/~tibs/>
- Free online books and lectures:
 - Web page with 2013 *Data Mining* lecture by Ryan Tibshirani, <http://www.stat.cmu.edu/~ryantibs/datamining/>
 - Free online books:
 - *The Elements of Statistical Learning: Data Mining, Inference, and Prediction*, T. Hasti, R. Tibshirani, J. Friedman, Springer 2009 second ed.; E-book available at: <http://statweb.stanford.edu/~tibs/lasso.html>
 - A bit easier to follow:
An Introduction to Statistical Learning, Gareth James, Daniela Witten, Trevor Hastie and Robert Tibshirani, Springer 2015; 6th printing; E-book available at <http://www-bcf.usc.edu/~gareth/ISL/>.

The F-Test

We implemented an F-test to compare the two models:

$$y = \frac{(\chi_1^2 - \chi_2^2)/k}{\chi_2^2/(n - m - k)}$$

k: Number of parameters in model 1
m+k: Number of parameters in model 2
n : Number of of data points

$y = 1.64 < y = 2.63$, indicating that the over fit is indeed not significantly better than the simplest fit.

Other statistical tests lead to similar conclusions

Shapiro Wilk

Kolmogorov Smirnov

Anderson Darling

