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# The Generalized Polarizabilities of the Proton

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# Polarizabilities

## Polarizability:

- A fundamental characteristic of the proton
- Characterizes the nucleon dynamical response to an external electromagnetic field

**$N$  BARYONS**  
 **$(S = 0, I = 1/2)$**   
 $p, N^+ = uud; \quad n, N^0 = udd$

**$p$**

$$I(J^P) = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}^+)$$

Mass  $m = 1.00727646688 \pm 0.00000000009$  u

Mass  $m = 938.272081 \pm 0.000006$  MeV [a]

$|m_p - m_{\bar{p}}|/m_p < 7 \times 10^{-10}$ , CL = 90% [b]

$|\frac{q_{\bar{p}}}{m_{\bar{p}}}|/(\frac{q_p}{m_p}) = 1.00000000000 \pm 0.00000000007$

$|q_p + q_{\bar{p}}|/e < 7 \times 10^{-10}$ , CL = 90% [b]

$|q_p + q_e|/e < 1 \times 10^{-21}$  [c]

Magnetic moment  $\mu = 2.7928473446 \pm 0.00000000008 \mu_N$

$(\mu_p + \mu_{\bar{p}}) / \mu_p = (0.3 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-6}$

Electric dipole moment  $d < 0.021 \times 10^{-23}$  ecm

Electric polarizability  $\alpha = (11.2 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3$

Magnetic polarizability  $\beta = (2.5 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3 \quad (S = 1.2)$

Charge radius,  $\mu p$  Lamb shift =  $0.84087 \pm 0.00039$  fm [d]

Charge radius,  $e p$  CODATA value =  $0.8751 \pm 0.0061$  fm [d]

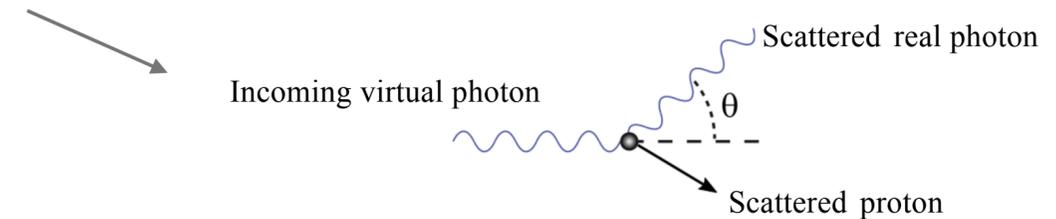
Magnetic radius =  $0.78 \pm 0.04$  fm [e]

Mean life  $\tau > 2.1 \times 10^{29}$  years, CL = 90% [f] ( $p \rightarrow$  invisible mode)

Mean life  $\tau > 10^{31}$  to  $10^{33}$  years [f] (mode dependent)

## Generalized Polarizabilities (GPs):

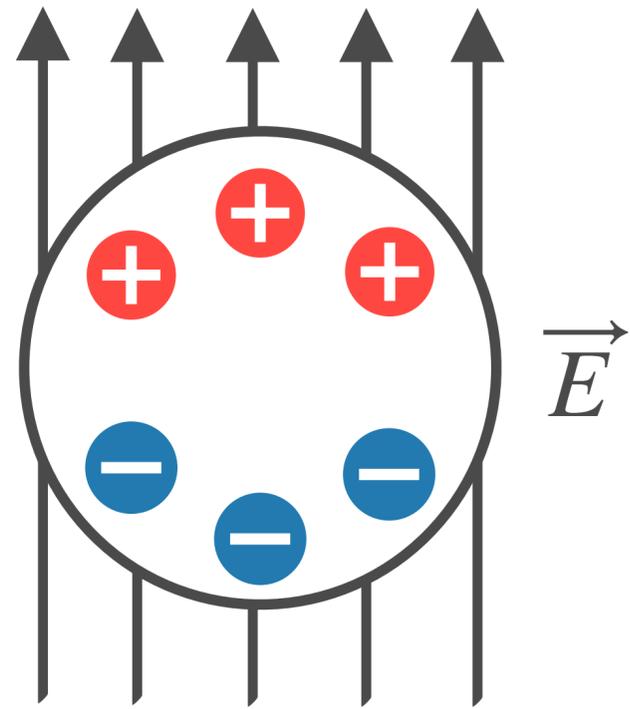
- Access by Virtual Compton Scattering (VCS)



- Two scalar and four vector GPs
- Fourier transform can map out the spatial distribution density of the polarization induced by an EM field

→ Scaler GP at the four-momentum transferred squared  $Q^2=0$  (RCS limit)

# Generalized Polarizabilities

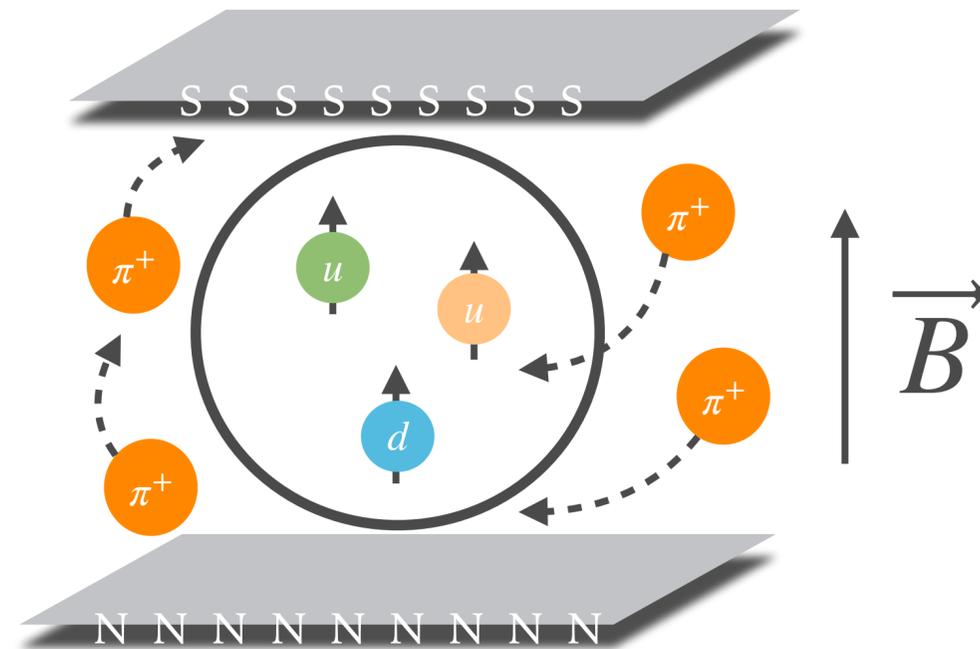
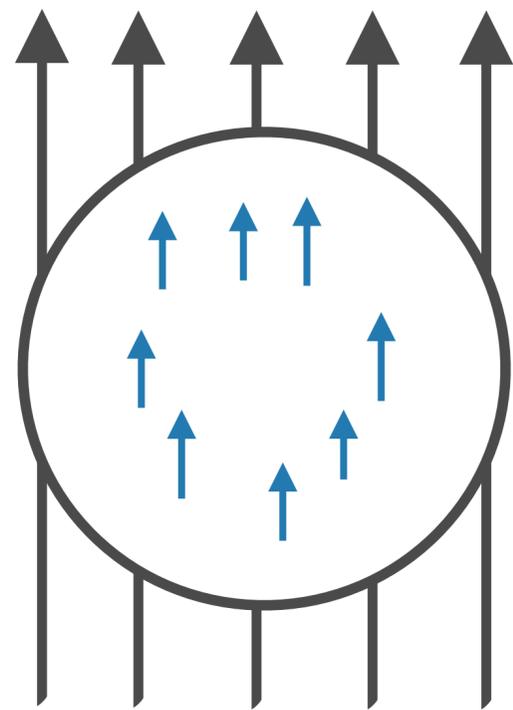


$$\vec{p} = \alpha_E \vec{E}$$



Electric Polarizability

- Electric polarizability  $\alpha_E$  reflects the **rigidity** of proton



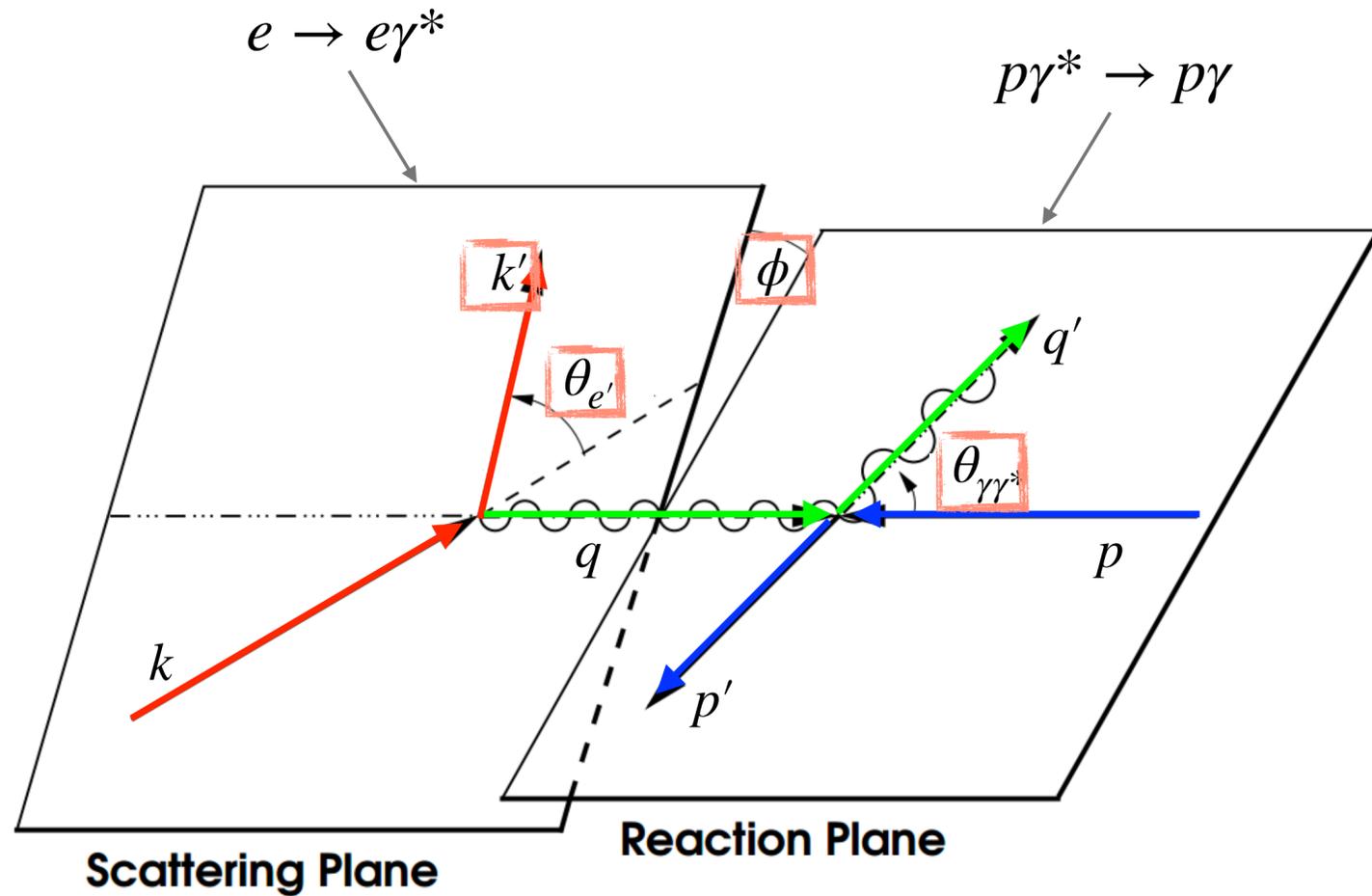
Magnetic Polarizability

$$\vec{m} = \beta_M \vec{B}$$

- **Paramagnetic:**  $>0$ , quarks align along magnetic field;
- **Diamagnetic:**  $<0$ , pion cloud induced magnetic field in opposite direction
- Partially cancels each other, makes  $\beta_M$  value small

# Reaction & Amplitudes

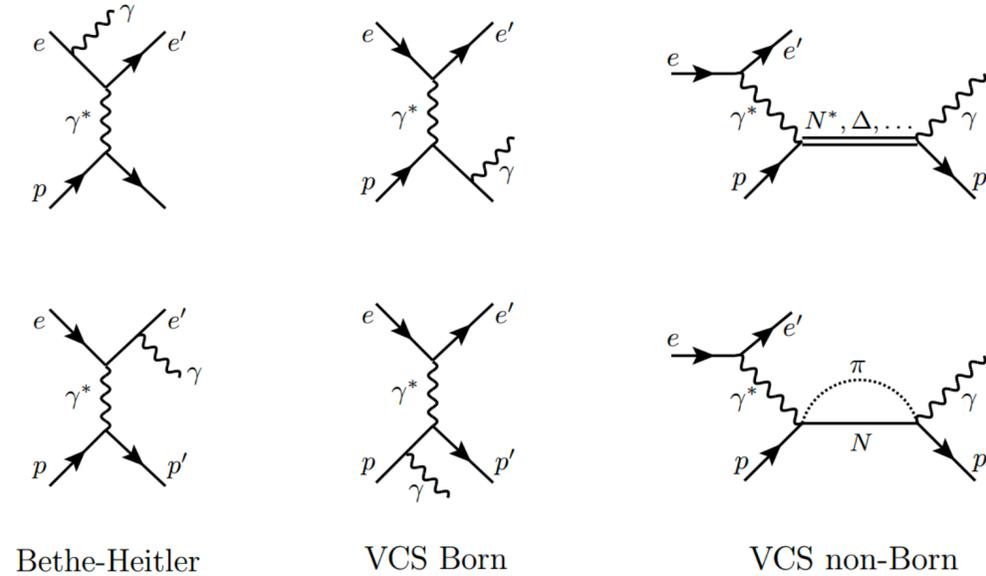
$k$ -incoming electron  $q$ -virtual photon  $p$ -initial proton  
 $k'$ -scattered electron  $q'$ -real photon  $p'$ -final proton



Kinematics of  $ep \rightarrow e\gamma$  reaction

$$\text{VCS cross-section} = d^5 \sigma / (dk'_{lab} d\Omega'_{elab} d\Omega_{p_{cm}})$$

VCS process  $\rightarrow$  photon electro-production reaction



$$\alpha_{E1}(Q^2) = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot P^{(L1,L1)0}(Q^2) \quad \beta_{M1}(Q^2) = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} \cdot P^{(M1,M1)0}(Q^2)$$

Electric Scaler GP

Magnetic Scaler GP

$$P^{(\rho'L',\rho L)S}(Q^2)$$

- $\rho(\rho')$  photon longitudinal or EM nature
- $L(L')$  angular momentum
- $[S = 1,0]$  spin flip or non spin flip

# LEX & DR Formalism

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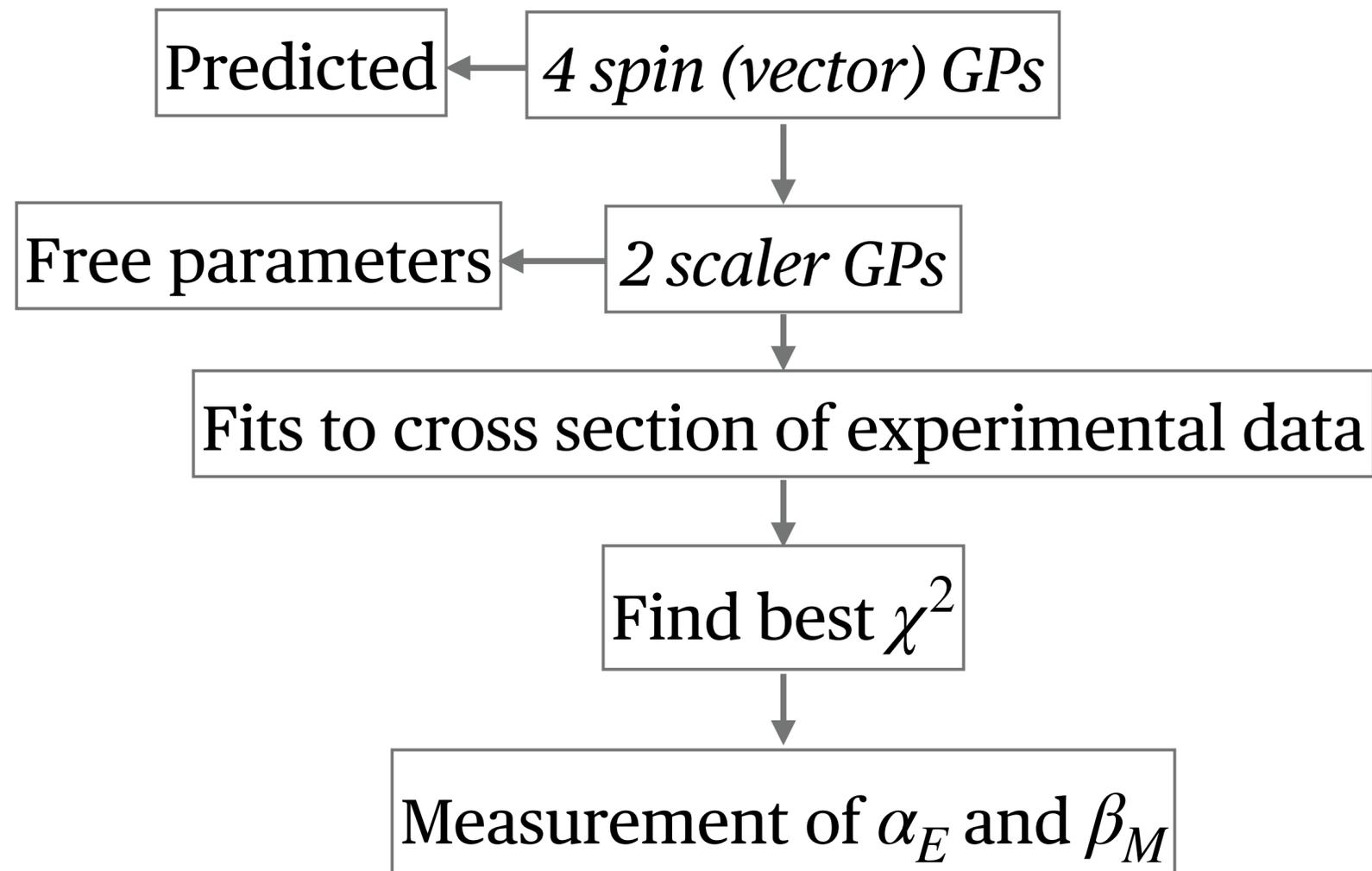
• **LEX - Low Energy Expansion**

*Below pion threshold*

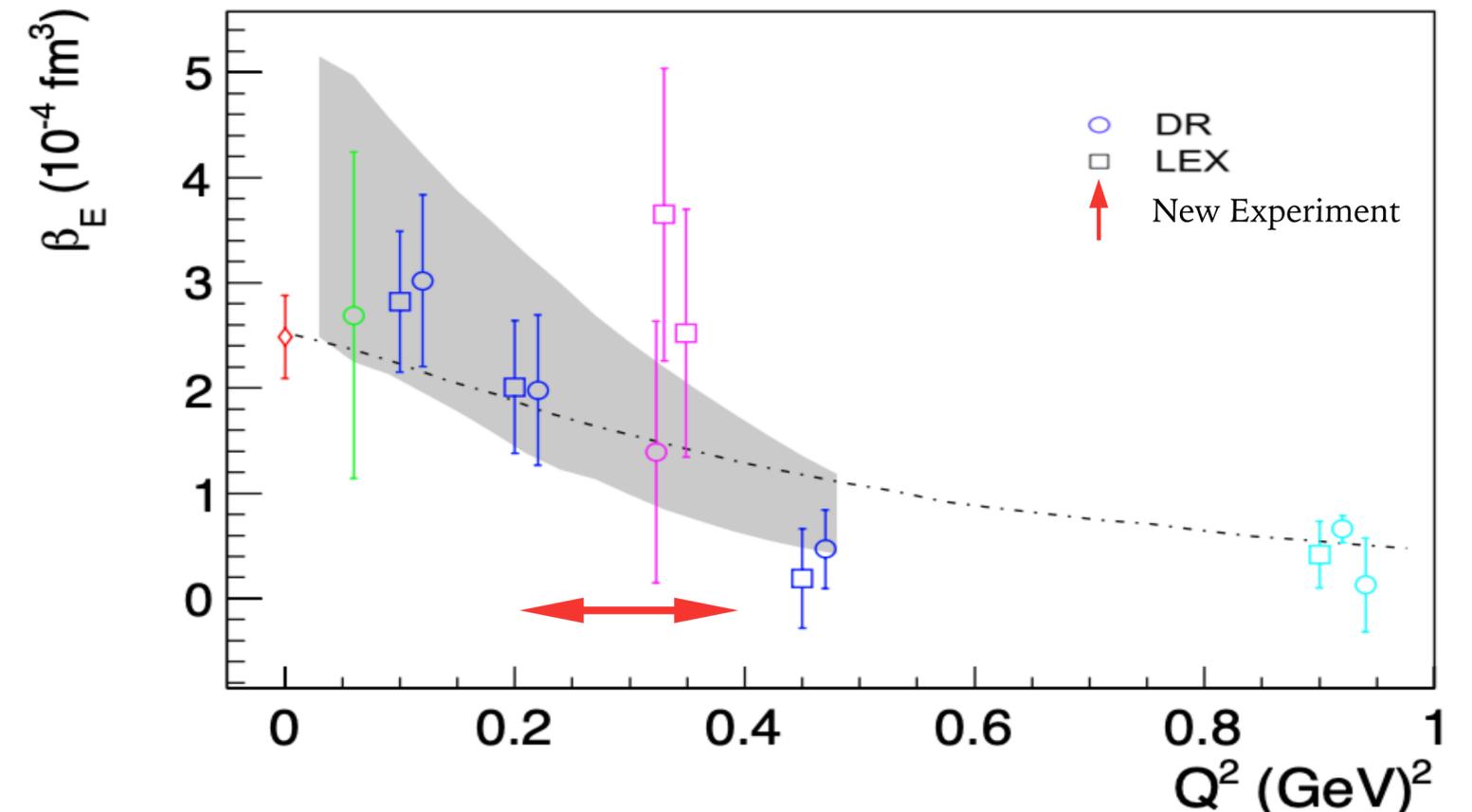
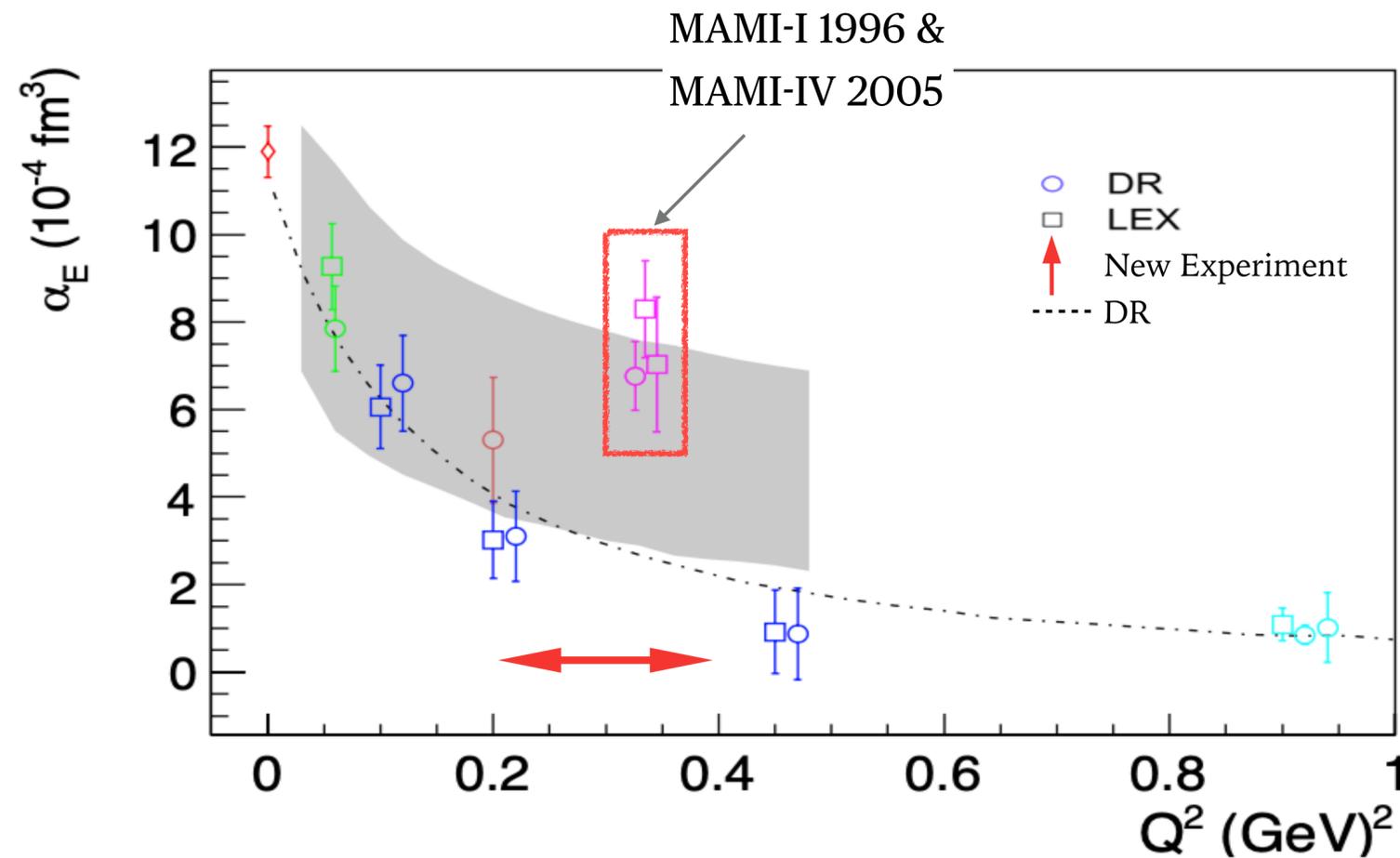


• **DR - Dispersion Relation Formalism**

*Below & Above pion threshold*



# World Data & Motivation

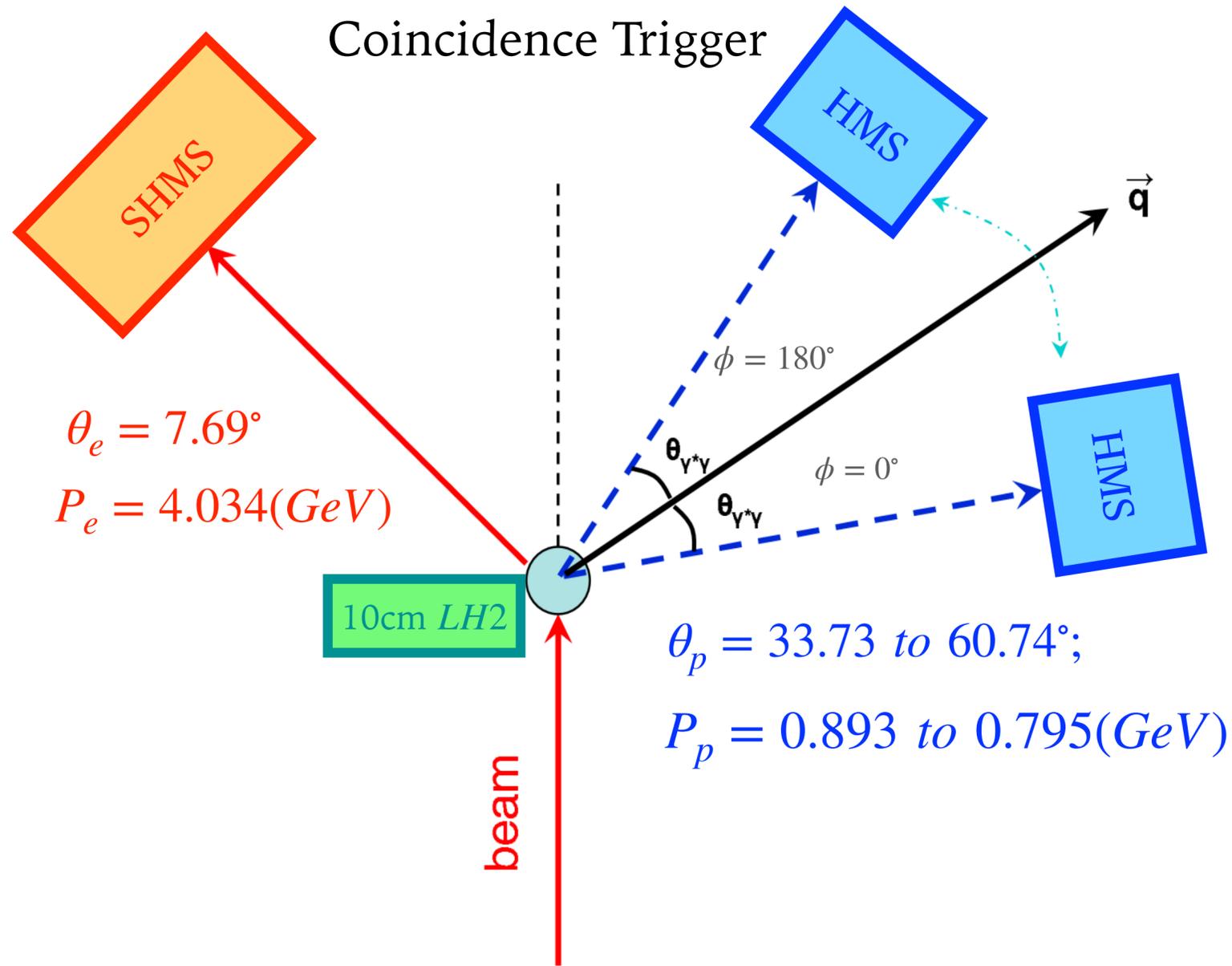


- Initial theoretical models predicted smooth fall off of  $\alpha_E$ 
  - data at  $Q^2 = 0.33$  implies non-trivial structure
- New experiment can:
  - Address puzzling  $\alpha_E$  enhancement
  - Reduce error by 2

- Small values,  $1/3 \sim 1/4$  of  $\alpha_E$
- Large uncertainties
- New experiment can:
  - Improve precision
  - Explore para-& dia-magnetic mechanism inside nucleon

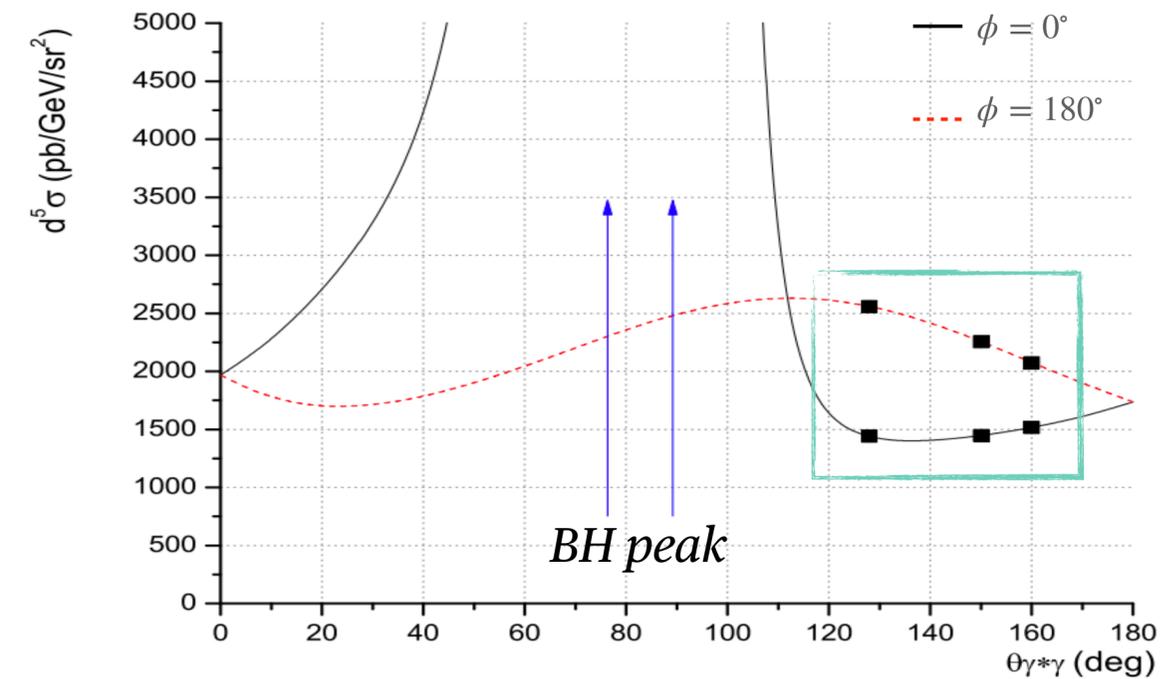
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# JLab E12-15-001 Experiment



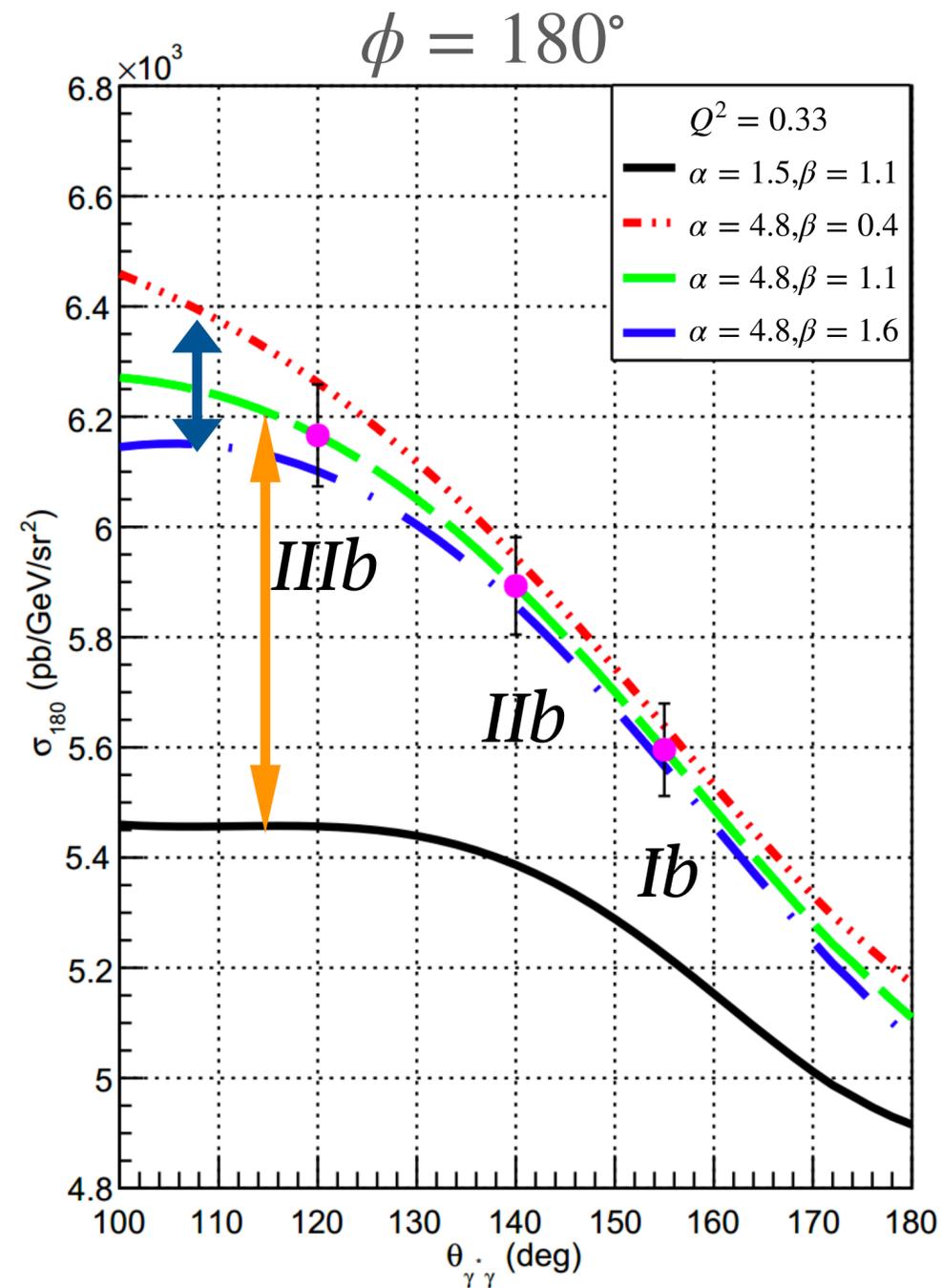
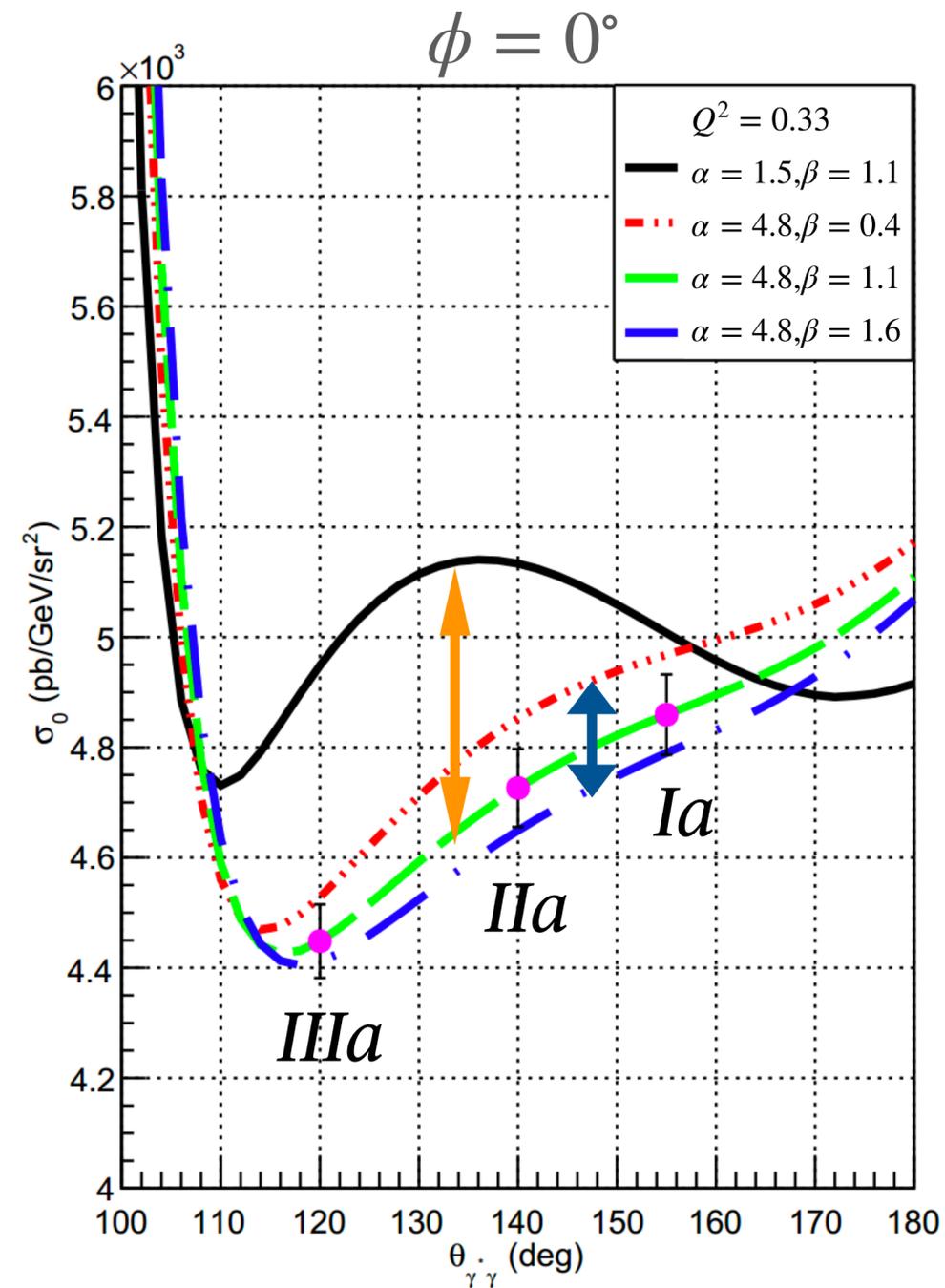
$$\text{Asymmetries} = \frac{d\sigma_{\phi=180^\circ} - d\sigma_{\phi=0^\circ}}{d\sigma_{\phi=180^\circ} + d\sigma_{\phi=0^\circ}}$$

- Summer 2019: July 20 - August 5
- Beam  $E = 4.56\text{GeV}$
- $Q^2 = 0.33\text{GeV}^2$ ,  $W = 1.232\text{GeV}$



- High enough  $\theta_{\gamma\gamma^*}$  to avoid BH peak
- Avoid rapid cross section variation

# Predicted Measurement

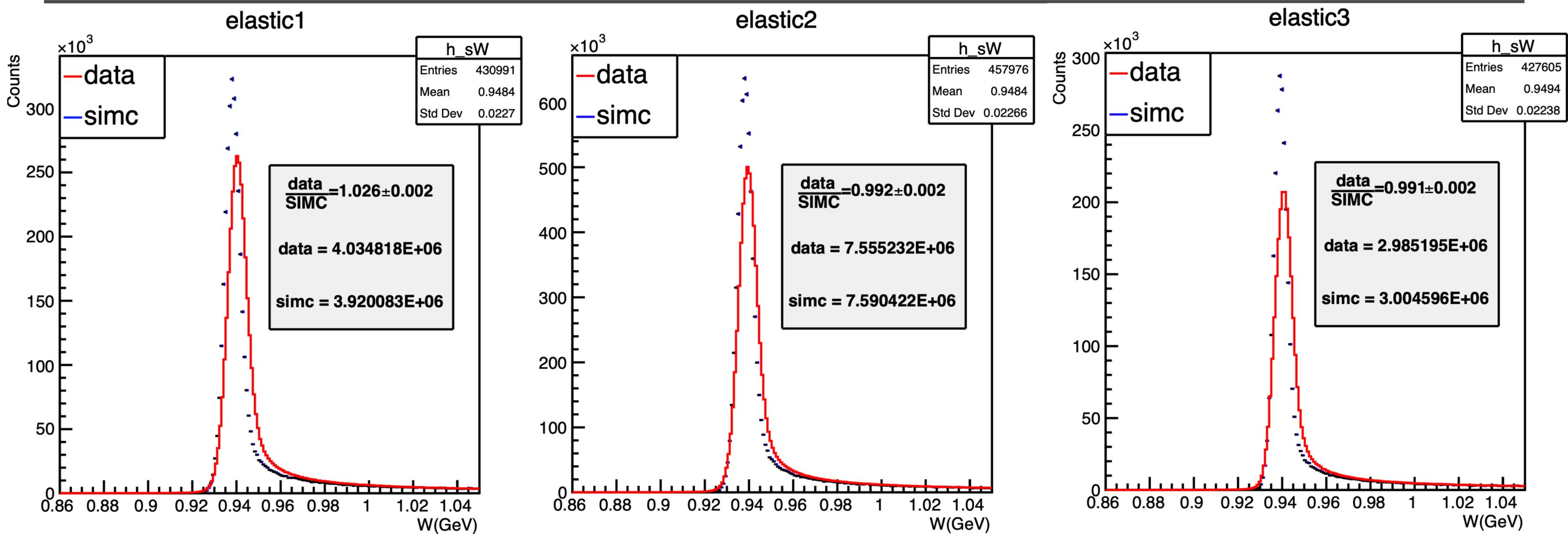


Sensitivity to  $\alpha_E$

Sensitivity to  $\beta_M$

- $\epsilon$  increase to 0.98
- Doubles the sensitivity to the GPs

# Elastic



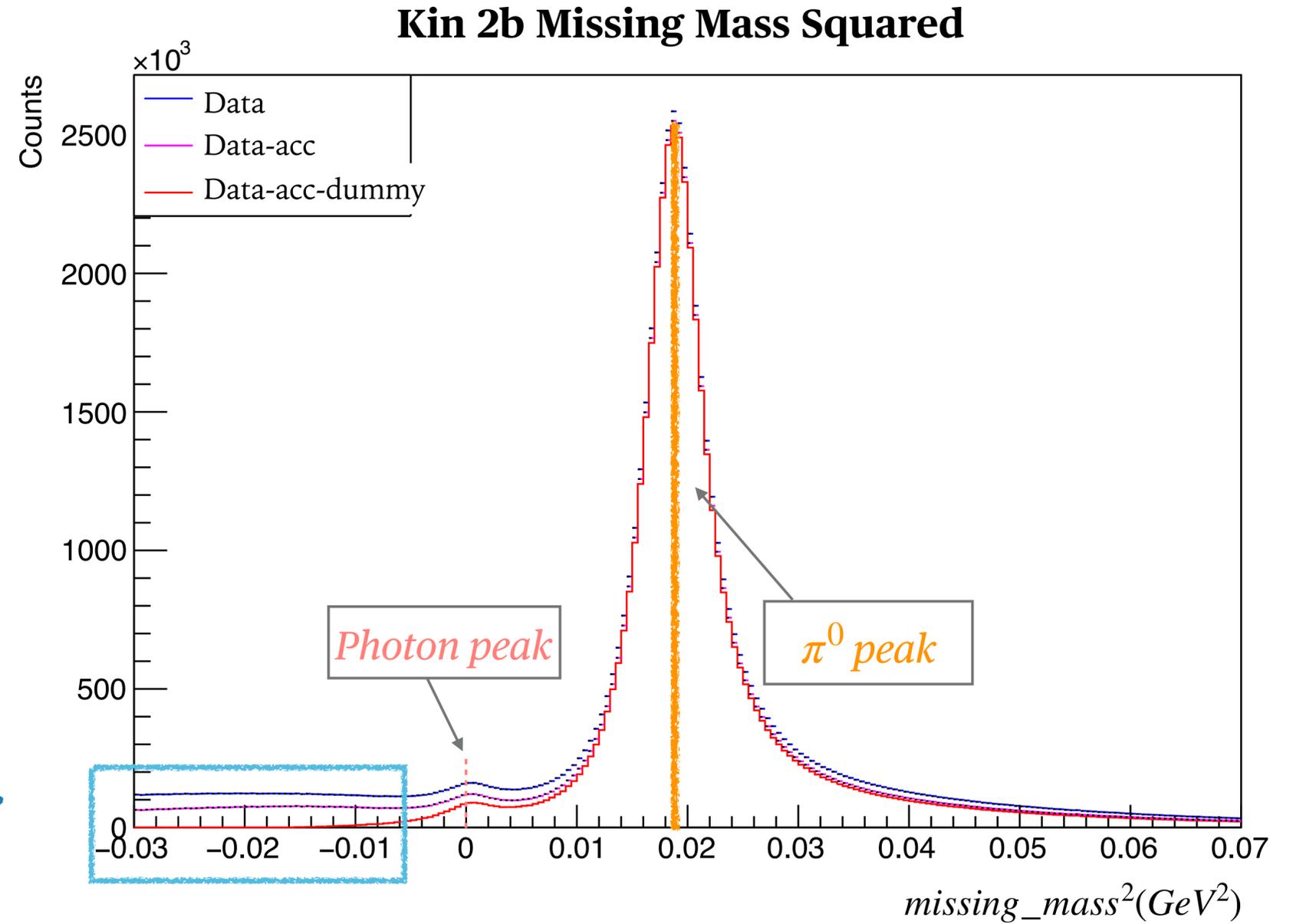
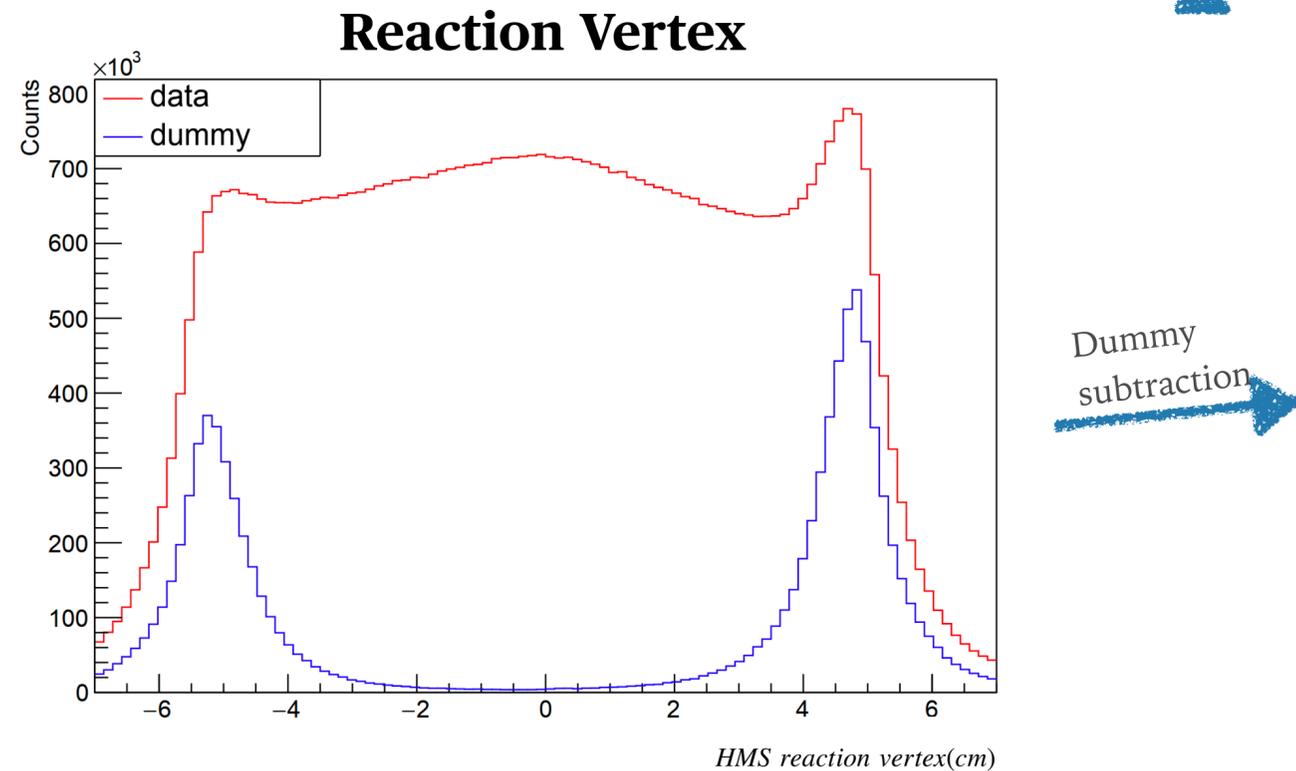
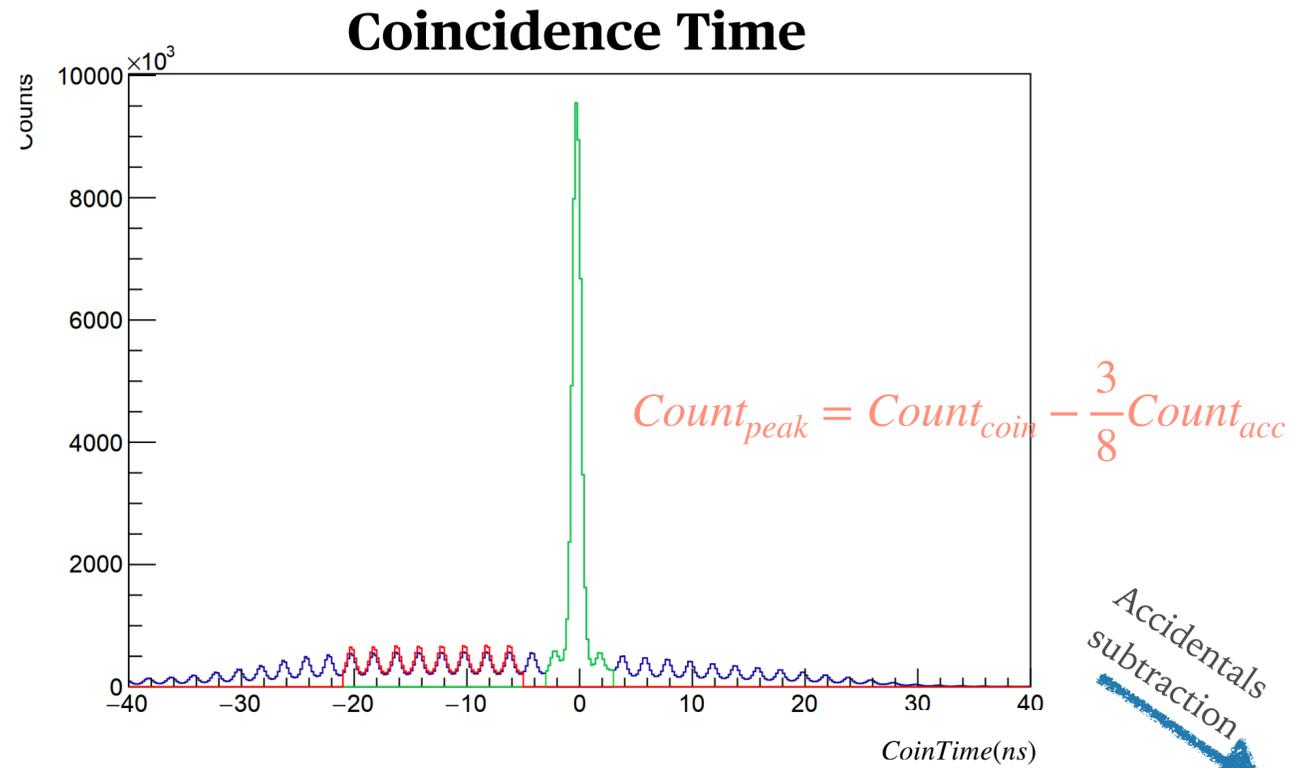
Kinematic	$\theta_e^\circ$	$P_e(\text{GeV}/c)$	$\theta_p^\circ$	$P_p(\text{GeV}/c)$
Elastic I	10.76	4.193	61.16	0.893
Elastic II	10.41	4.214	61.95	0.863
Elastic III	9.64	4.259	63.76	0.795

### Cuts:

$abs(HMS\_dp) < 8$   
 $-10 < SHMS\_dp < 22$   
 $g.evtyp == 4$   
 $0.85 < W < 1.05$

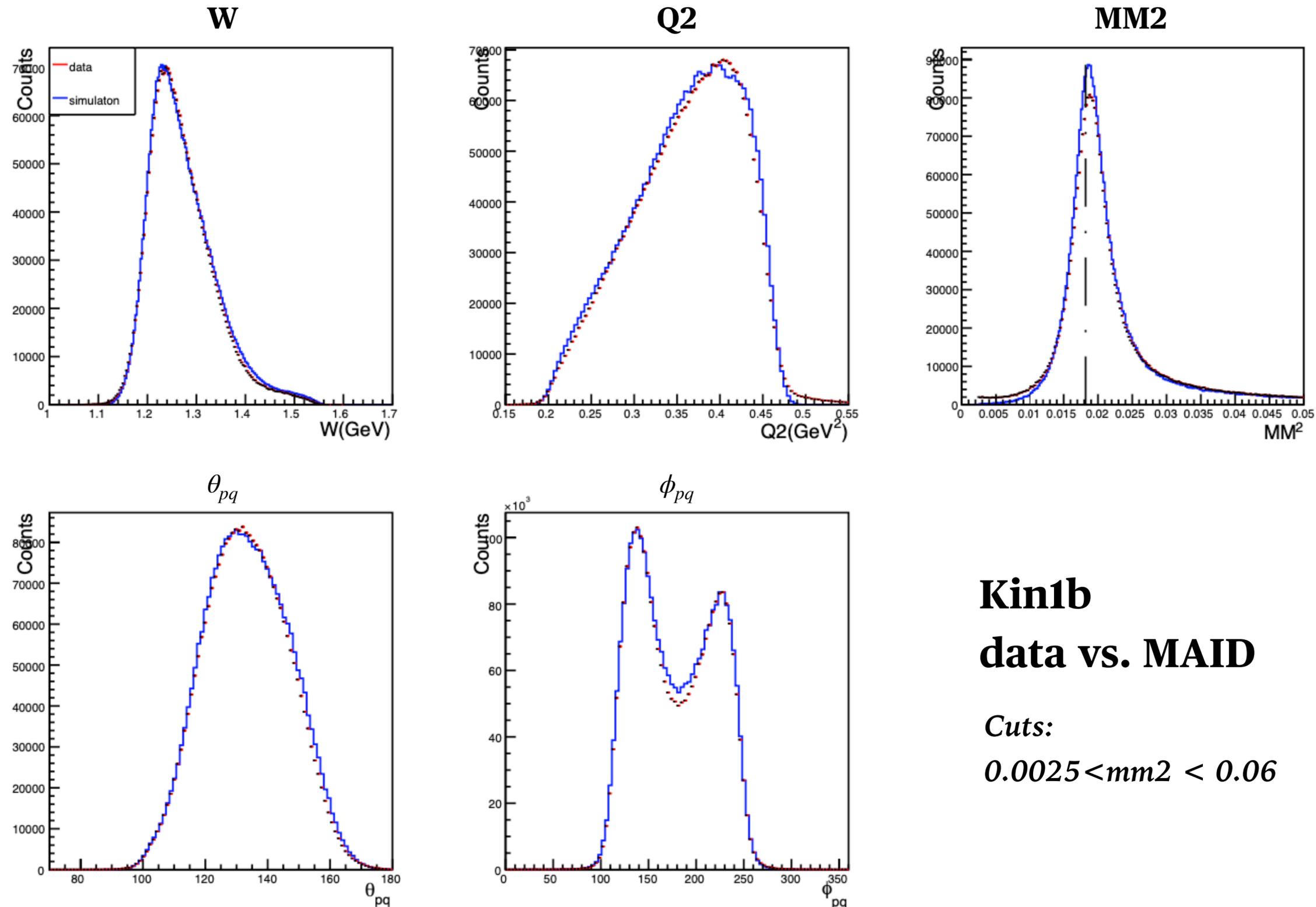
- Revisit SHMS/HMS moment and angle offset  
 - changes to SIMC energy loss needed for low momentum proton

# VCS peak and pi0 peak

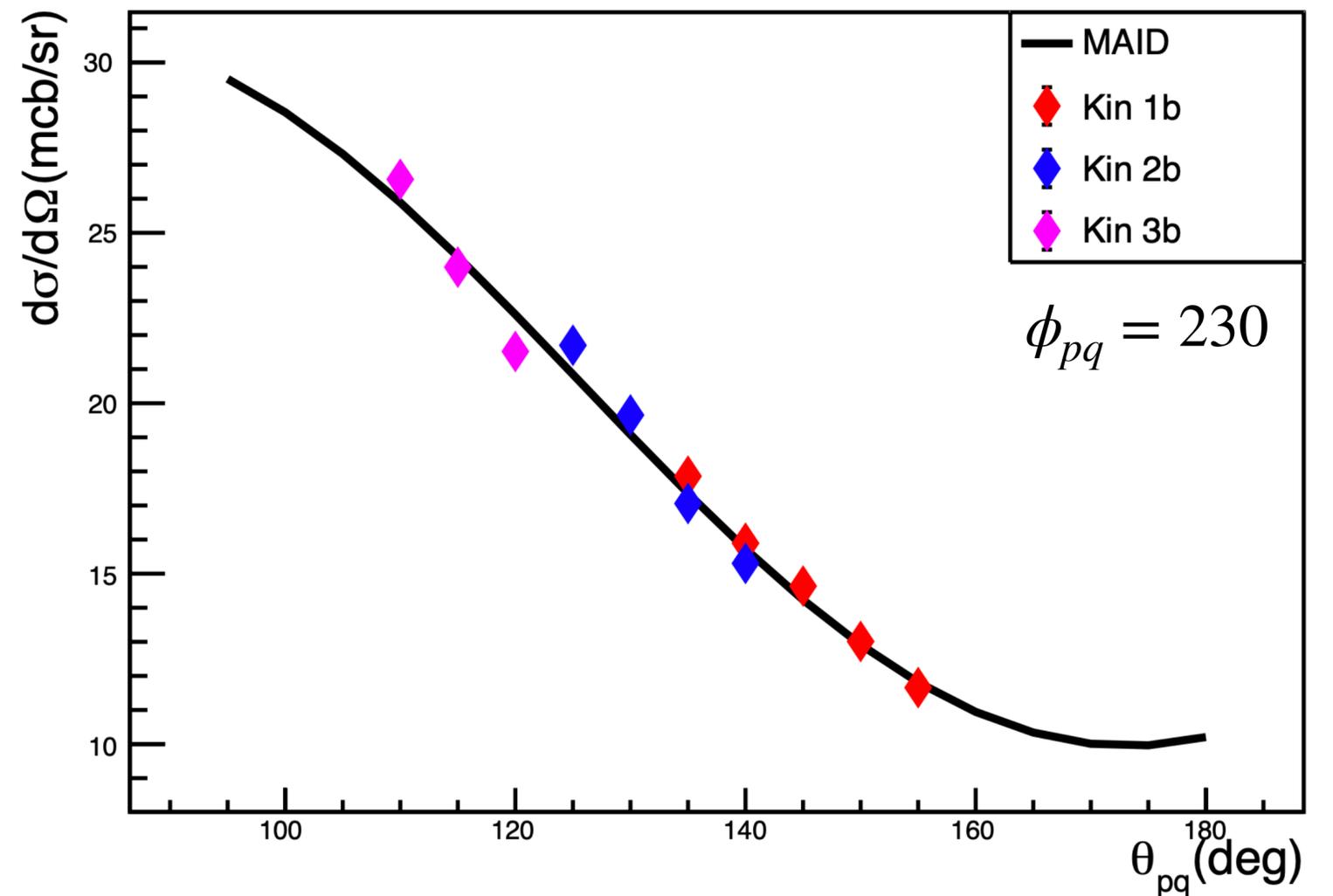
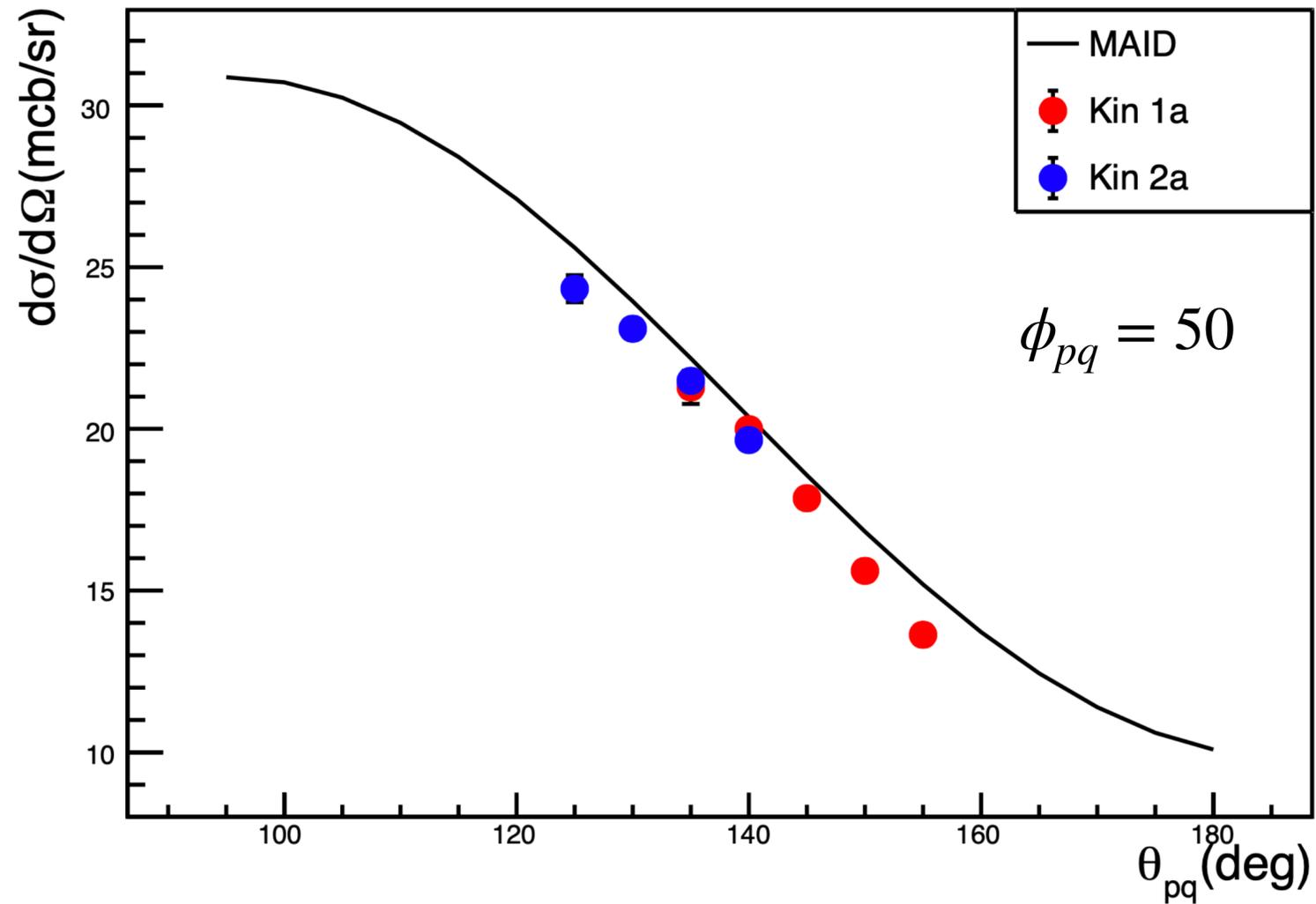


Data are corrected for the average energy loss

# Pion Preliminary Analysis



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**Cuts:**

$mm^2 > 0.01$

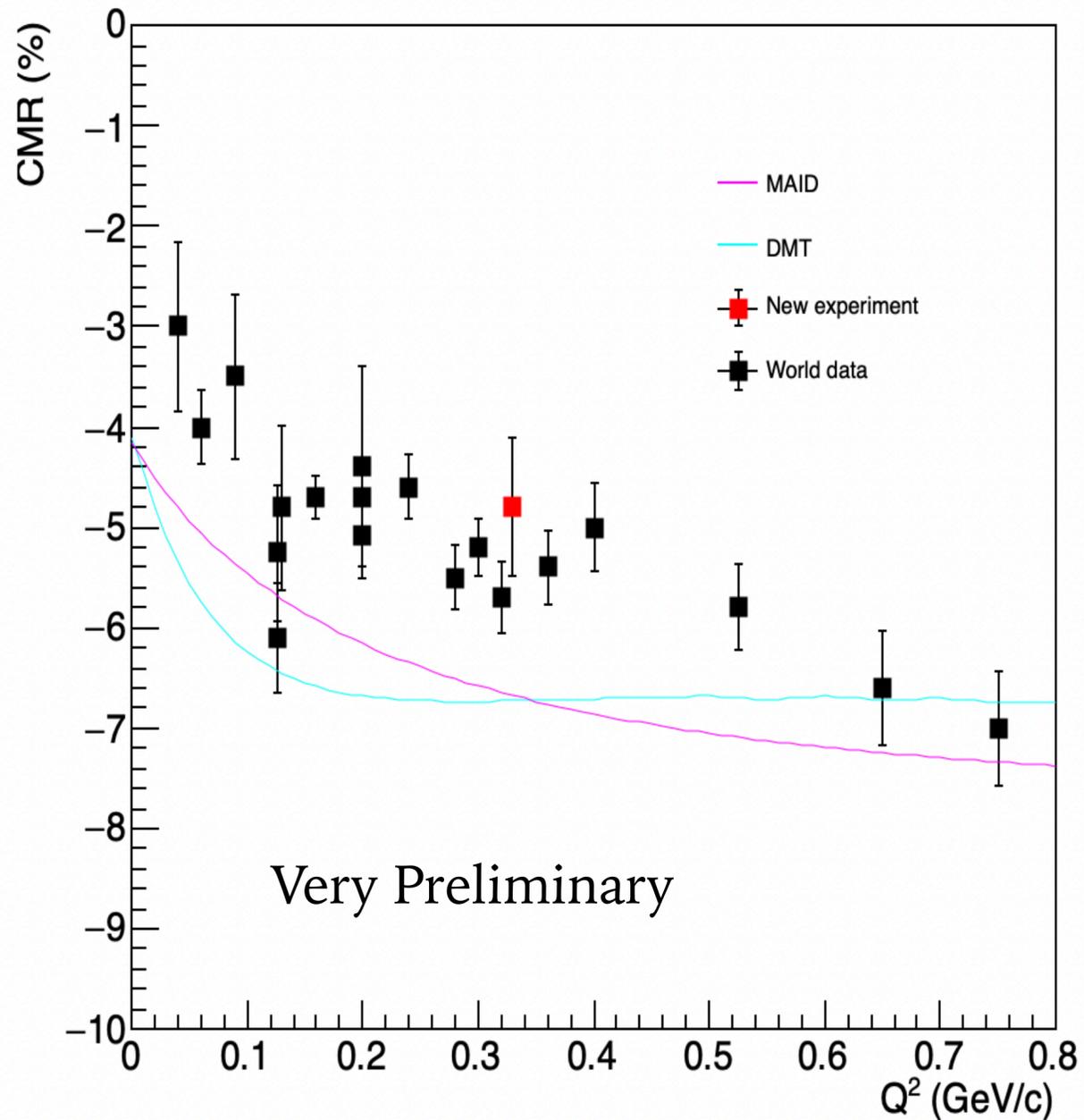
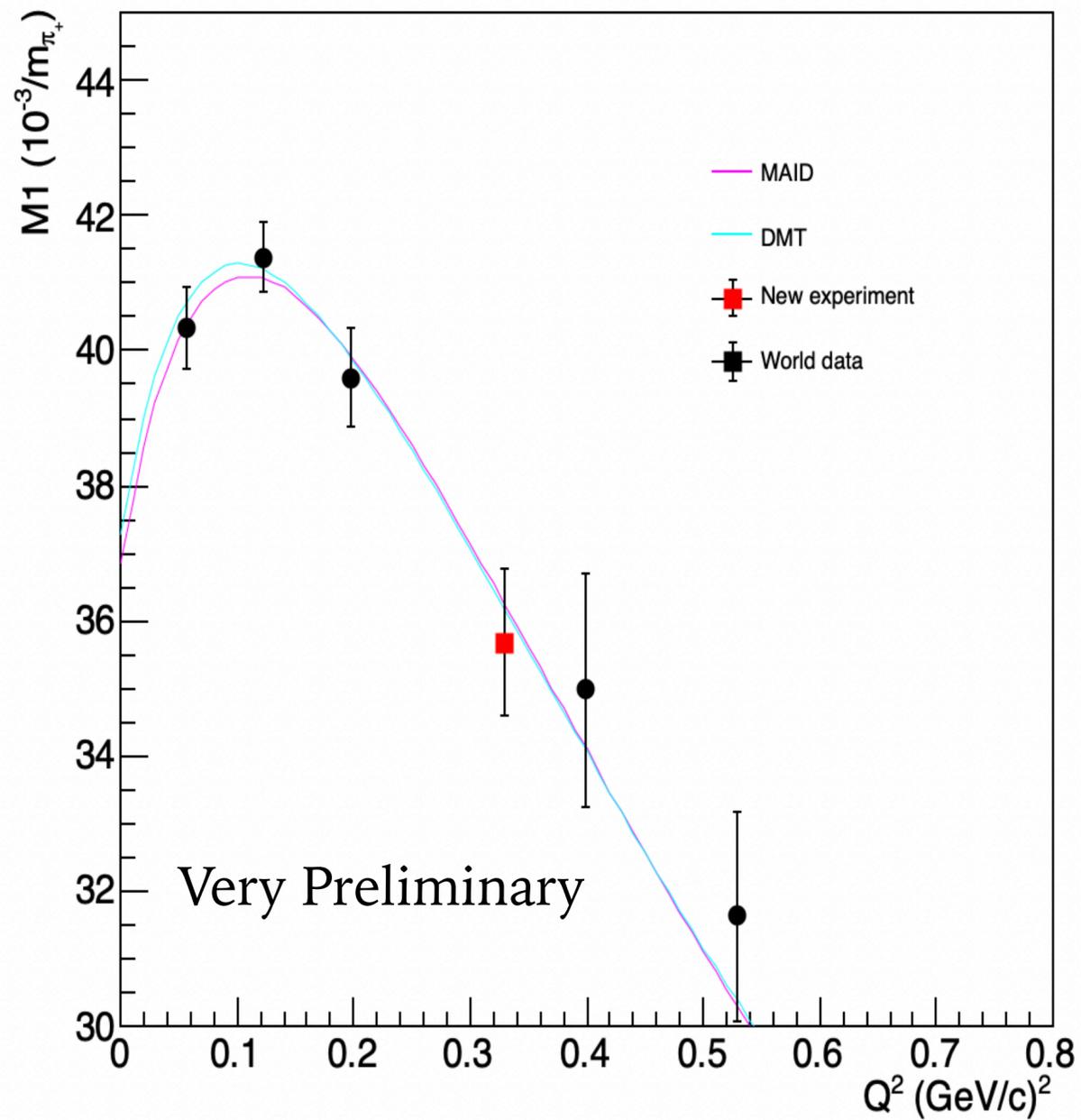
$abs(W-1.232) < 0.01$

$abs(Q^2-0.33) < 0.05$

$abs(\theta_{pq} - \theta_{center}) < 3$

$abs(\phi_{pq} - \phi_{center}) < 70$

# Pion Preliminary Analysis



$M1$  - Magnetic dipole amplitude

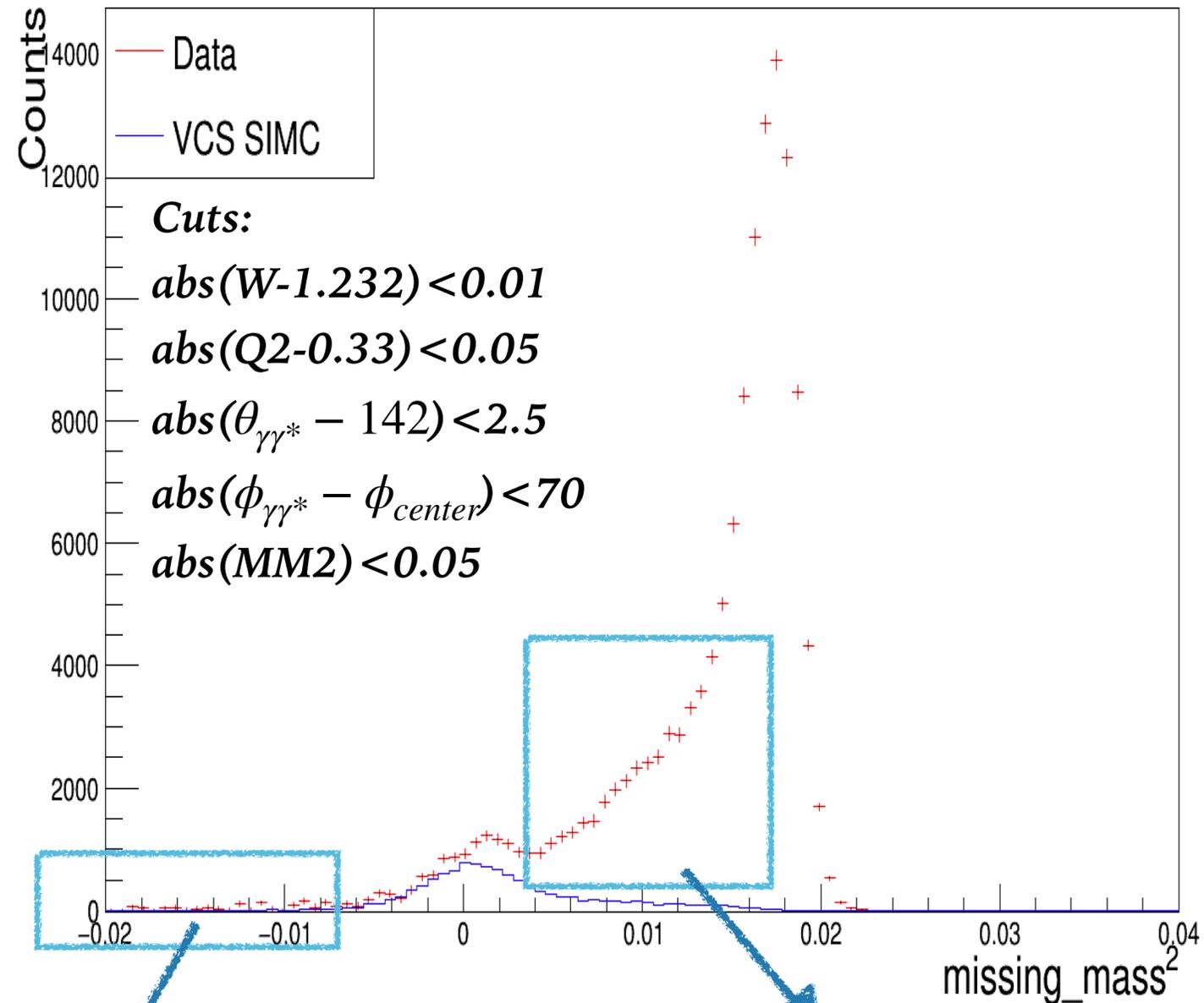
$CMR = C2/M1$

$C2$  - Coulomb quadrupole amplitude

Figure Credit: Hamza Atac

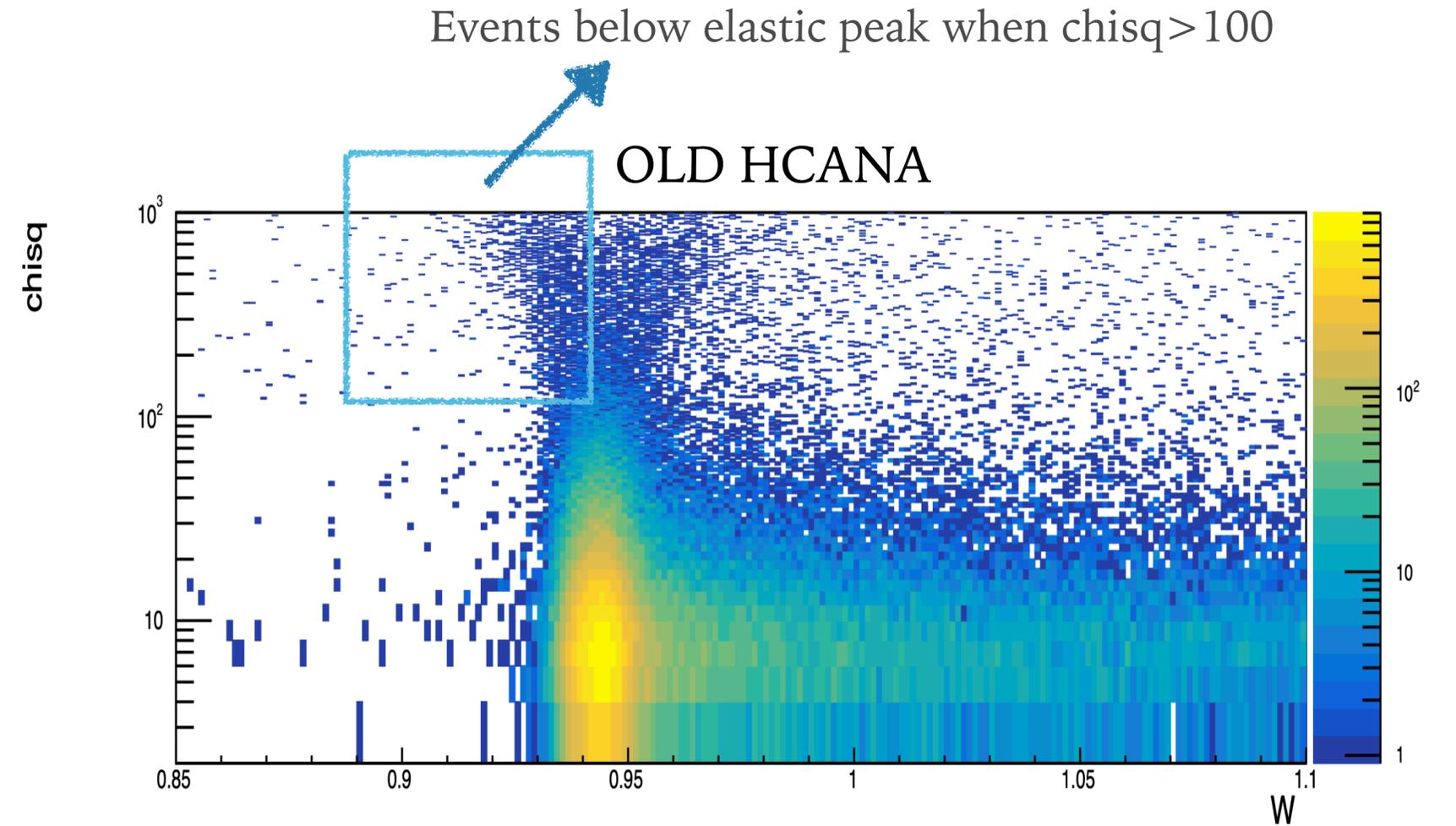
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## Kin1b OLD HCANA



Events above zero

Unclear separation between pi0 and photon

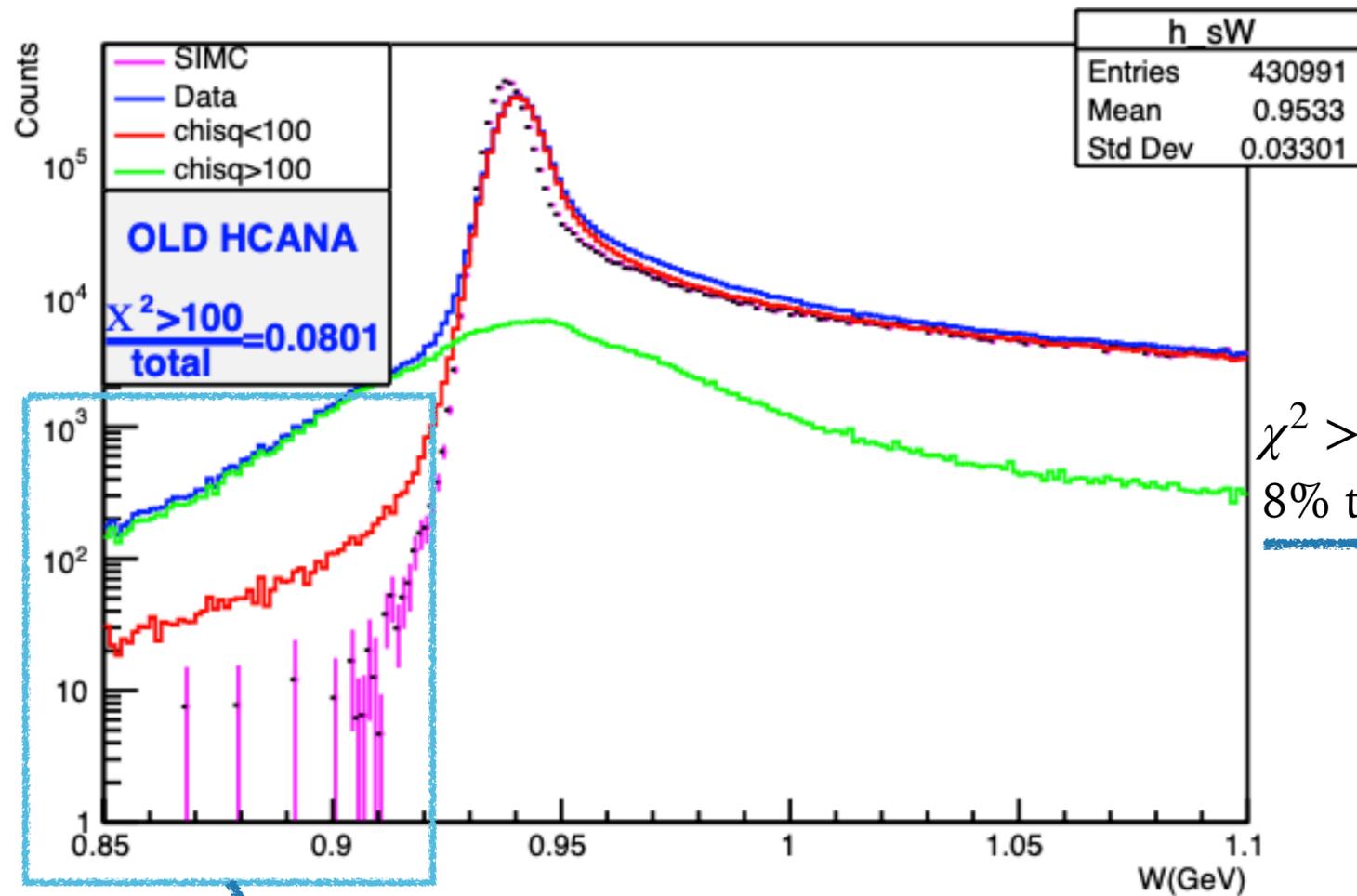


Elastic data has the same problem

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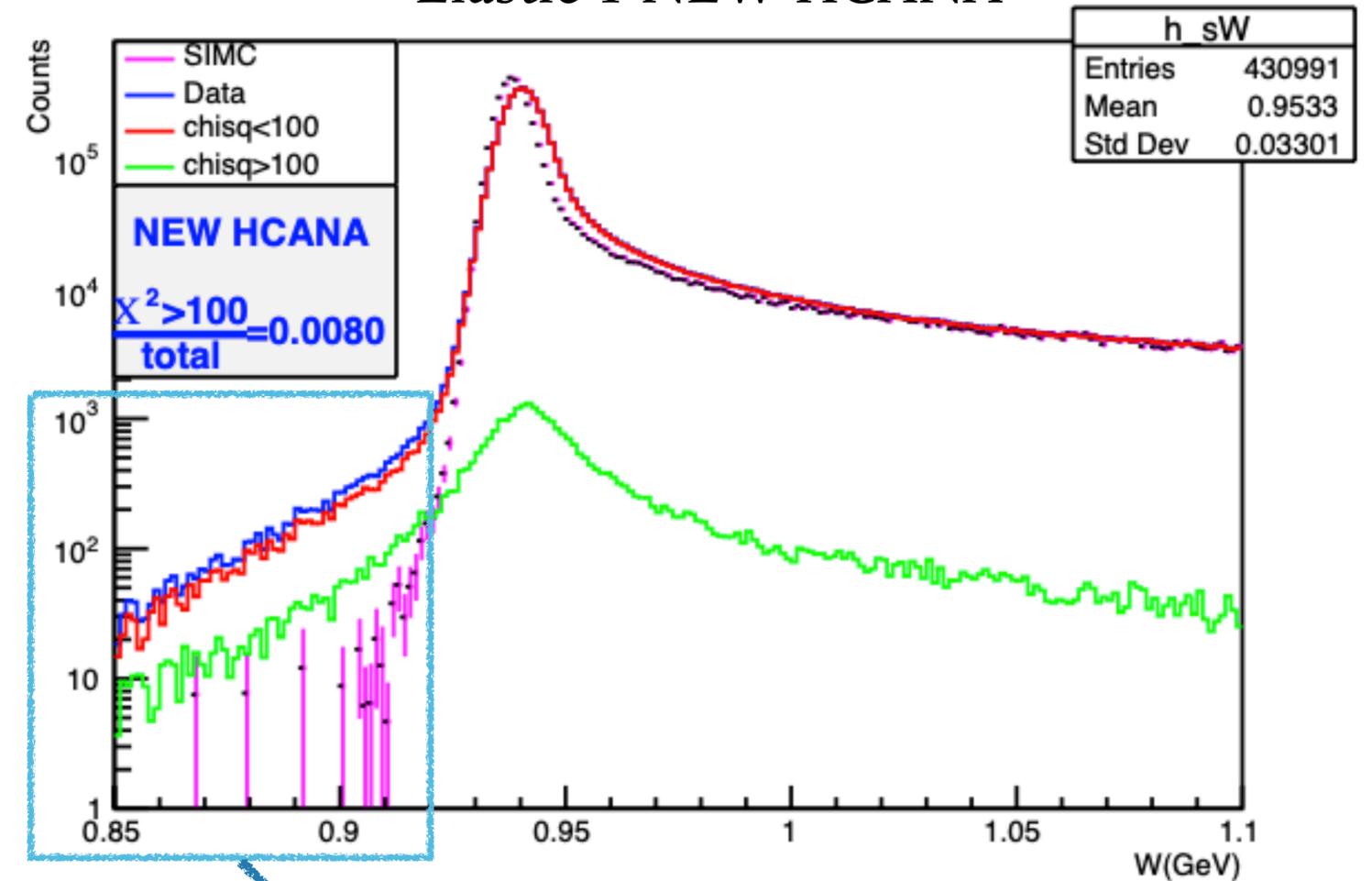
# HCANA UPDATE

Elastic 1 OLD HCANA



$\chi^2 > 100$  from  
8% to <1%

Elastic 1 NEW HCANA



- ~10% of events with  $W < 0.92$  have  $\text{chisq} > 100$
- Better resolution than old HCANA with  $\text{chisq} > 100$

~90% of events with  $W < 0.92$  have  $\text{chisq} > 100$

# HCANA UPDATE

## Kin1b NEW HCANA

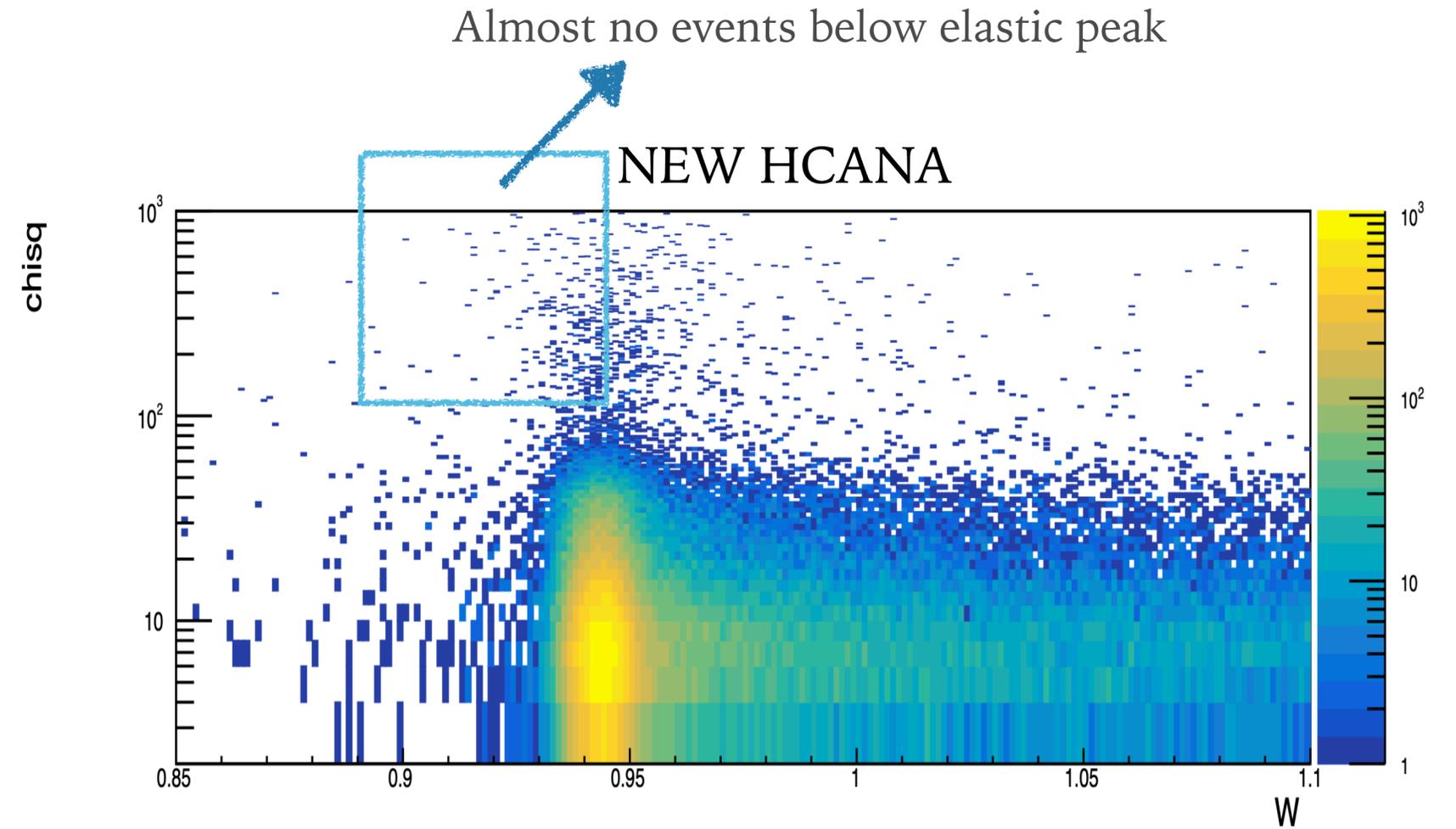
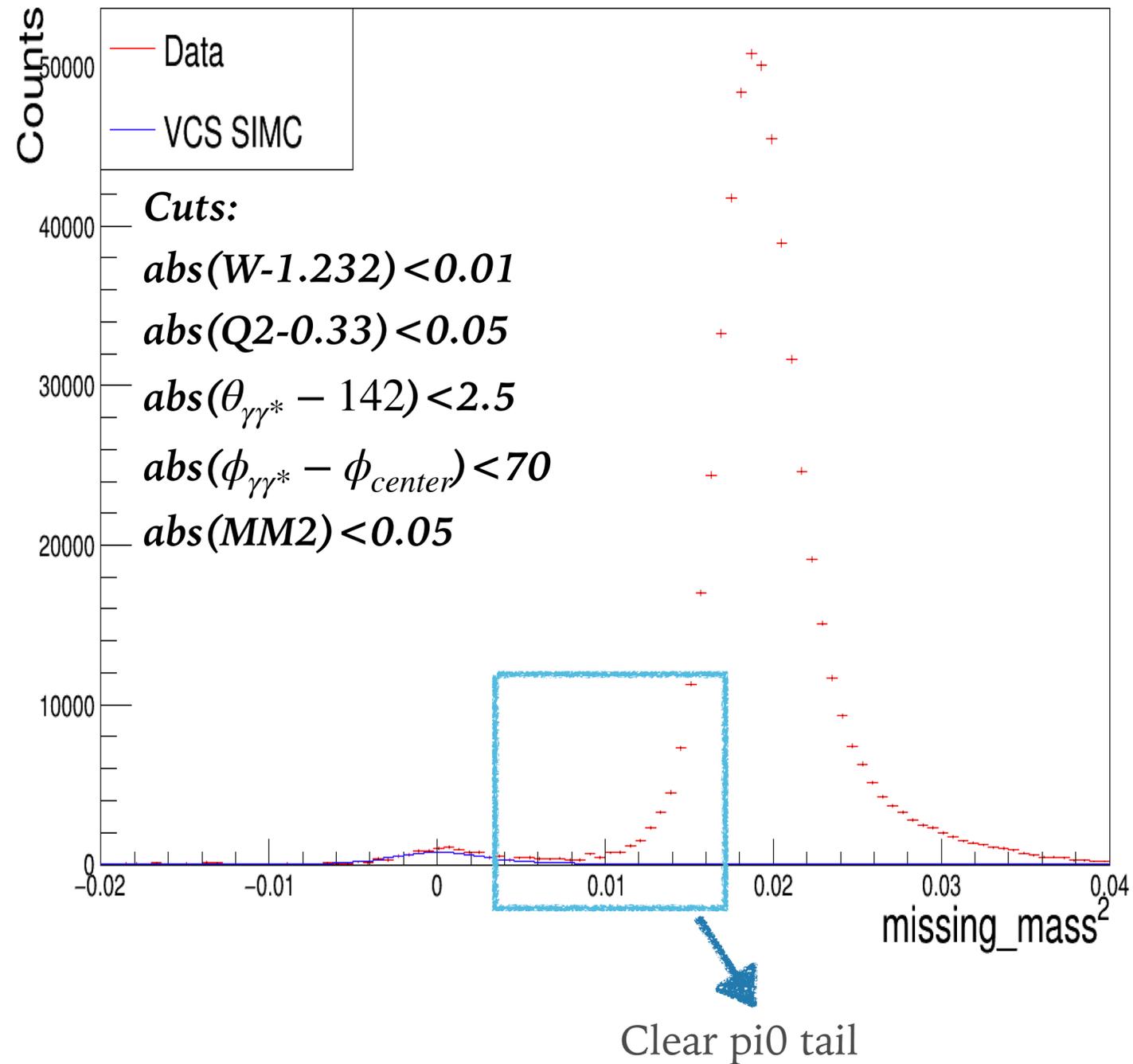
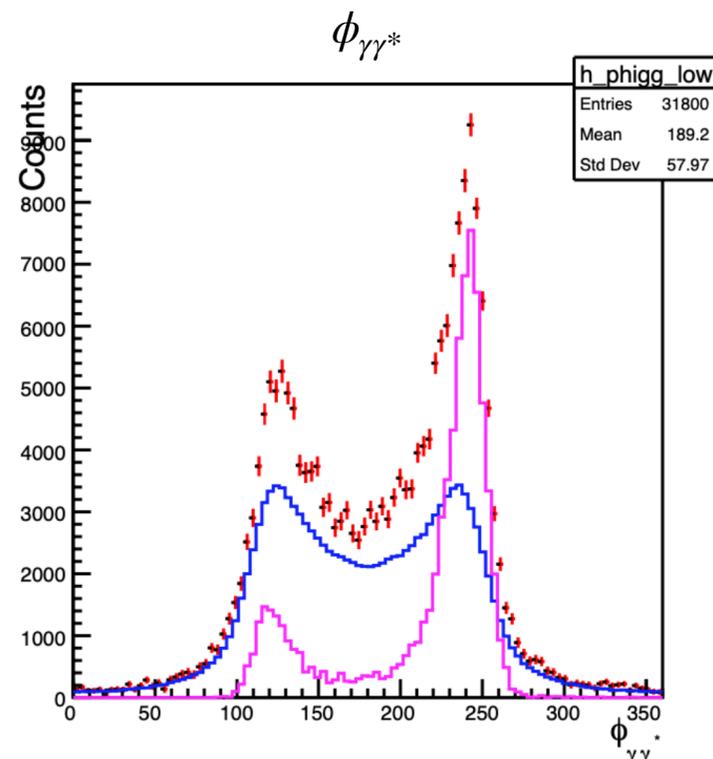
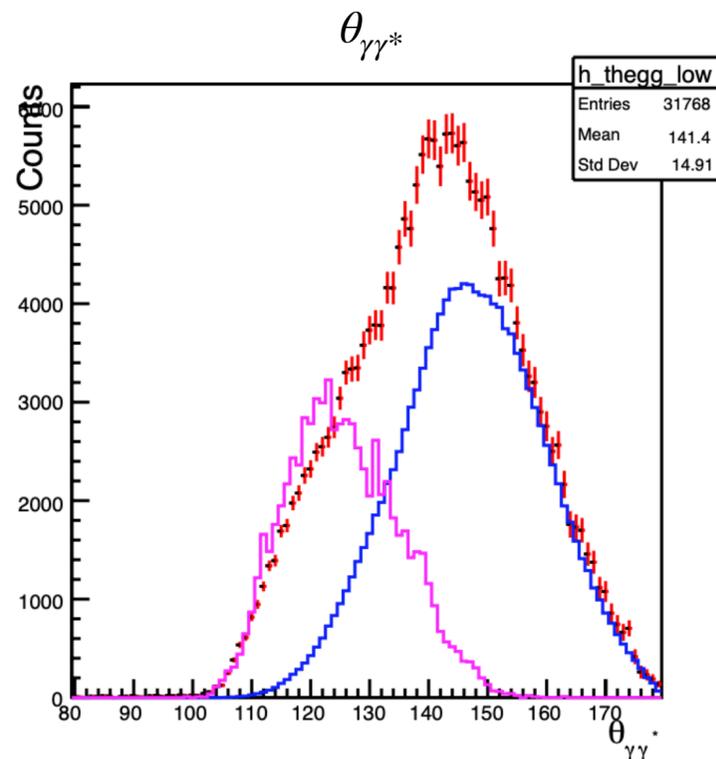
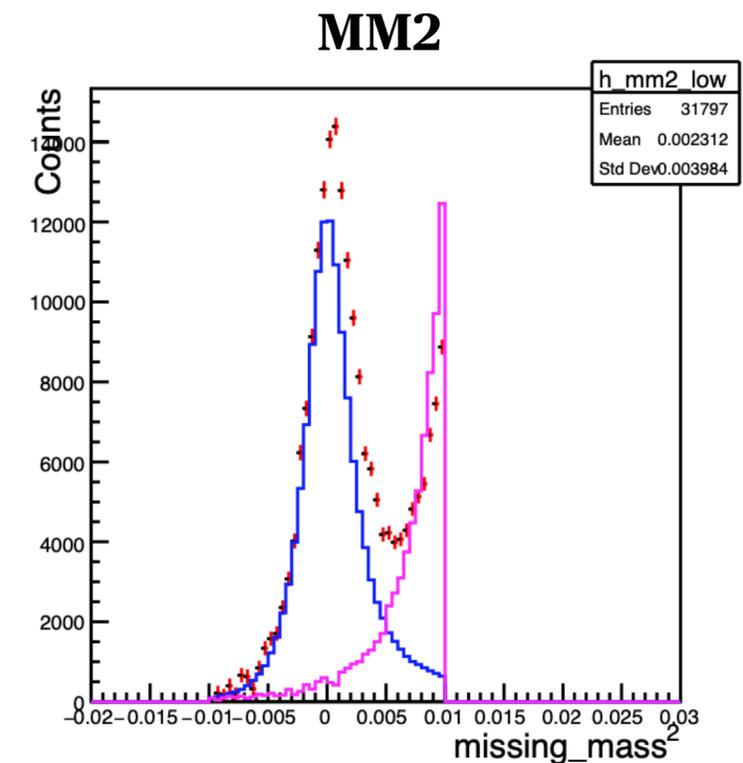
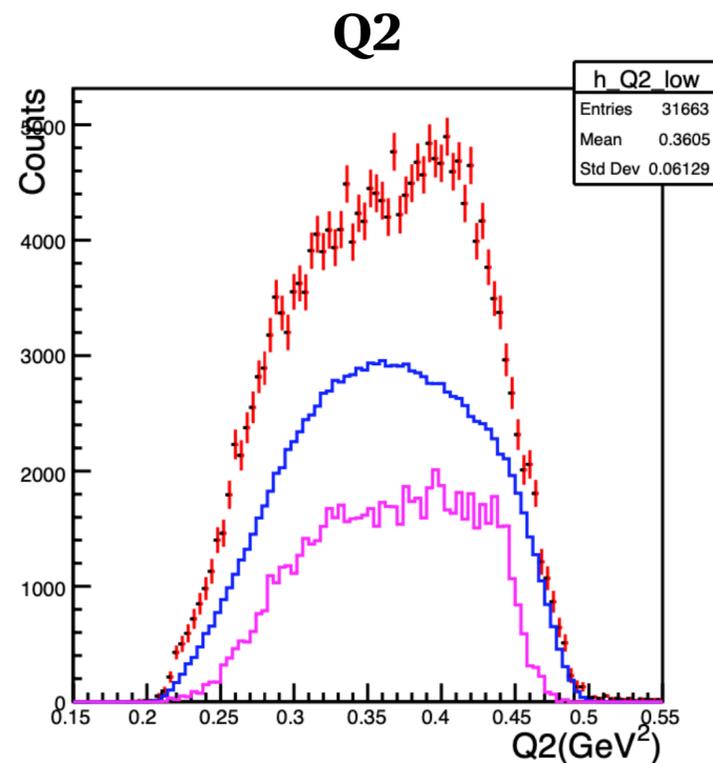
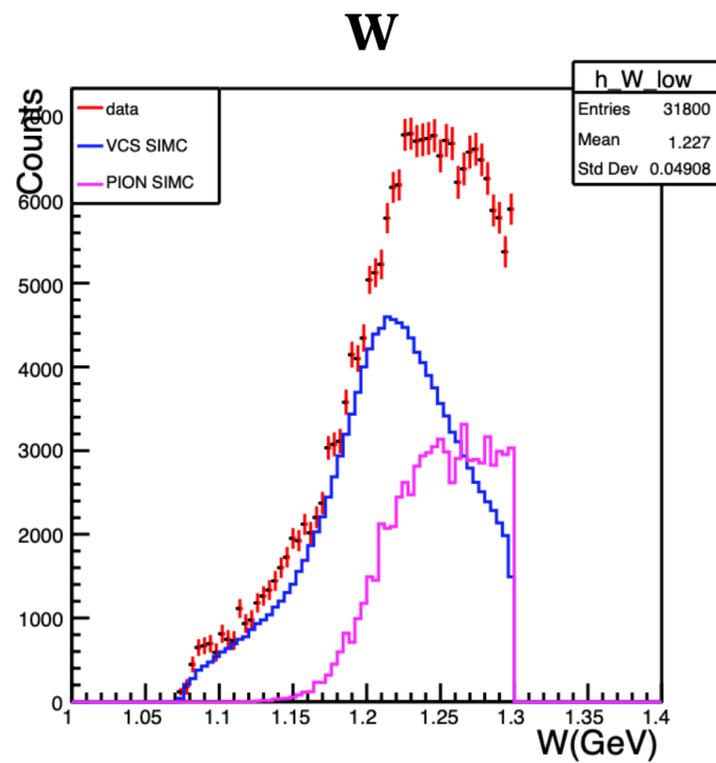


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# VCS Preliminary Analysis



## Kin 1b

### data vs. DR & MAID

$$Q^2 = 0.33(\text{GeV}^2) \quad \text{Dipole fall-off}$$

$$\lambda_\alpha = 0.7(\text{GeV}), \lambda_\beta = 0.5(\text{GeV})$$

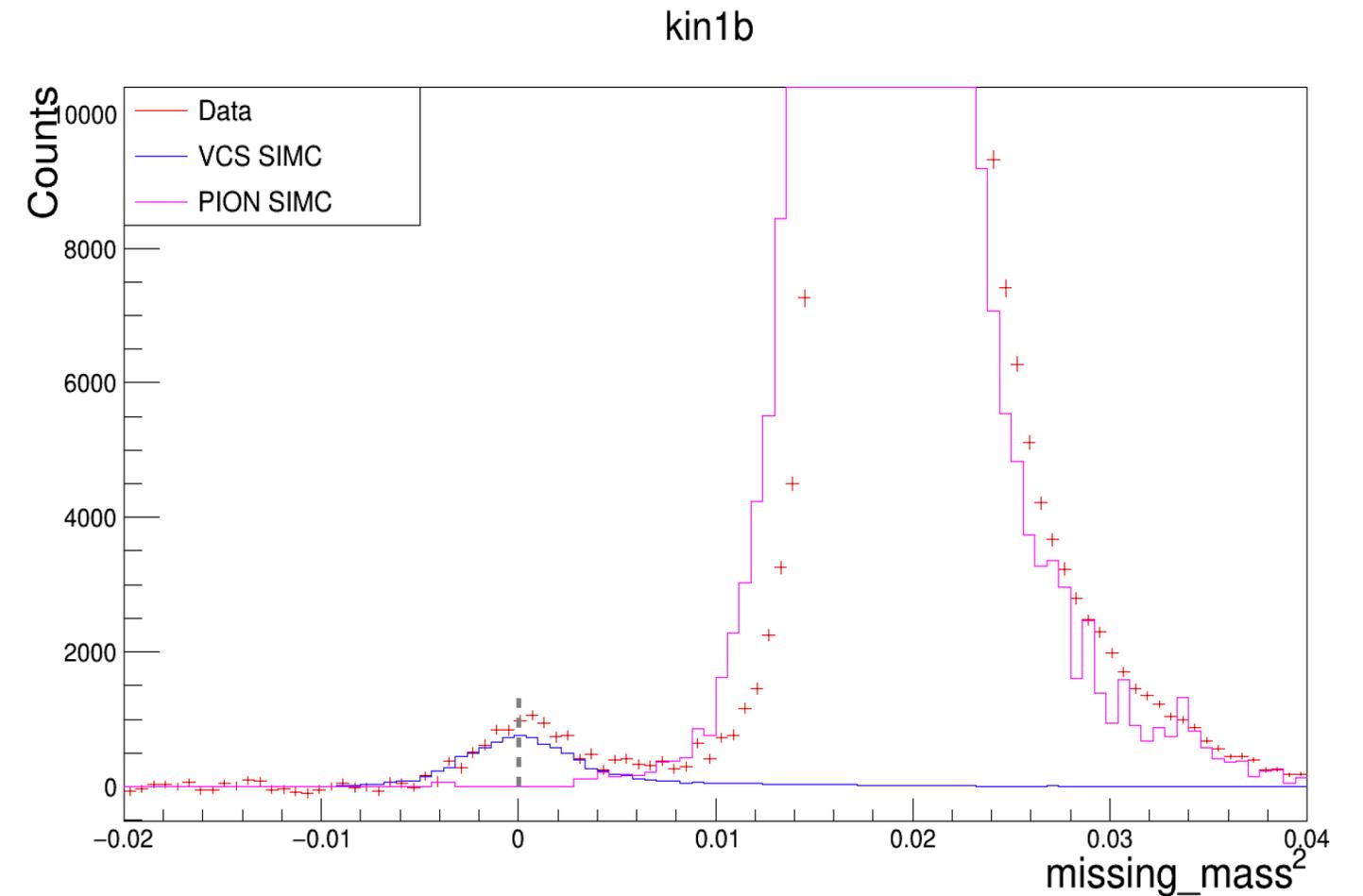
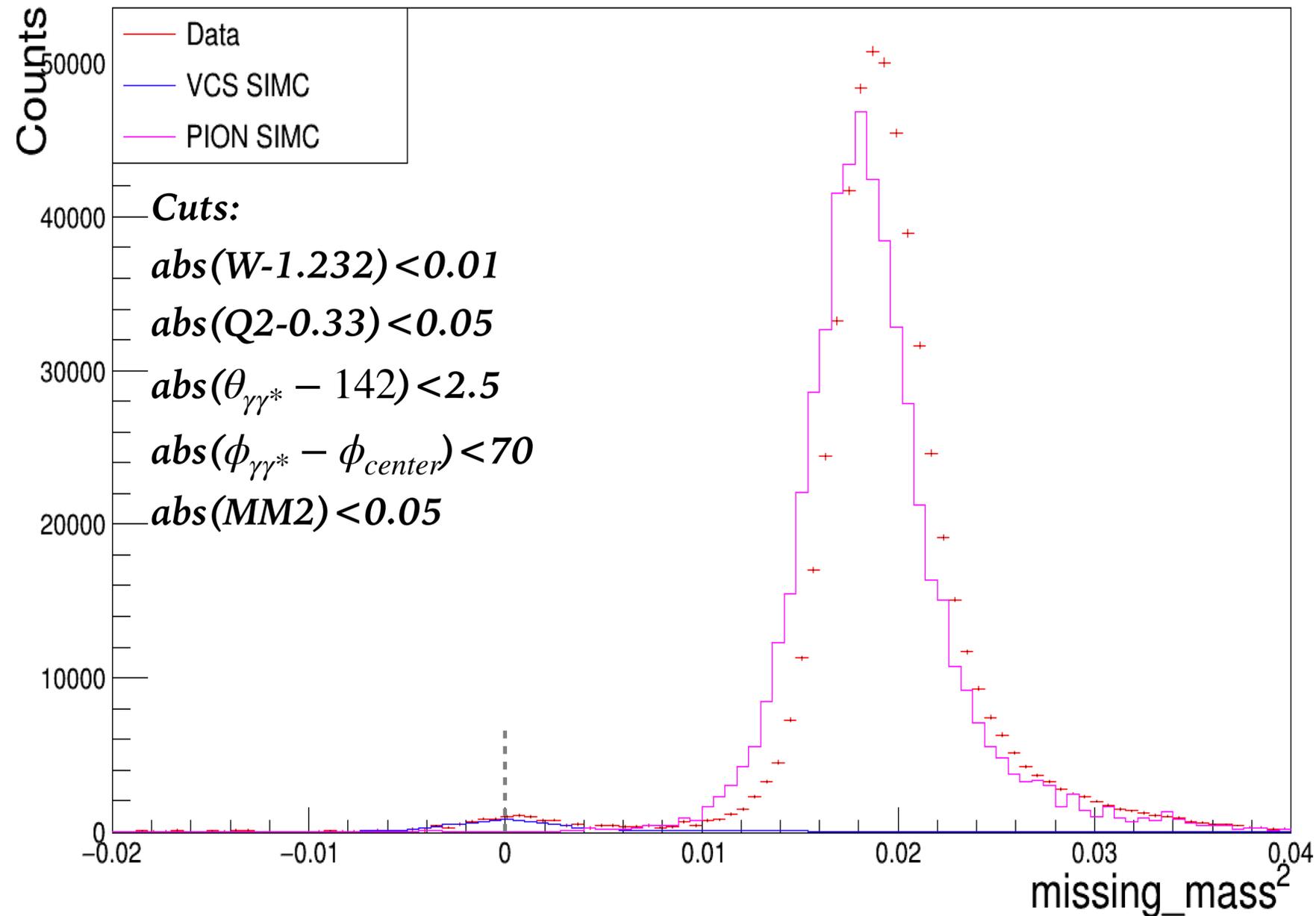
**Cuts:**

$$-0.01 < mm2 < 0.01$$

$$1.075 < W < 1.3$$

# VCS Preliminary Analysis

## Kin 1b Missing Mass Squared



VCS data vs. DR comparison  
ONGOING...

Revisit SHMS/HMS moment and angle offset  
To get a better match with pi0 peak

# Summary

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- **GPs are fundamental structure constants**
- **Data at  $Q^2 = 0.33$  implies non-trivial structure**
- **JLab E12-15-001 experiment focus on exploring the mechanism of the non-trivial  $Q^2$  dependence of  $\alpha_E$**
- **Analysis status**
  - **Detector calibration and timing cuts – completed**
  - **Elastic  $H(e, e')p$  data cross section comparison at same HMS central momentum – completed**
  - **Determination spectrometer central angle and momentum offsets – completed(revisit)**
  - **$\pi^0$  production cross section extraction – preliminary results**
  - **Determination of VCS cross section and extraction of  $\alpha_E$  and  $\beta_M$  – ongoing**

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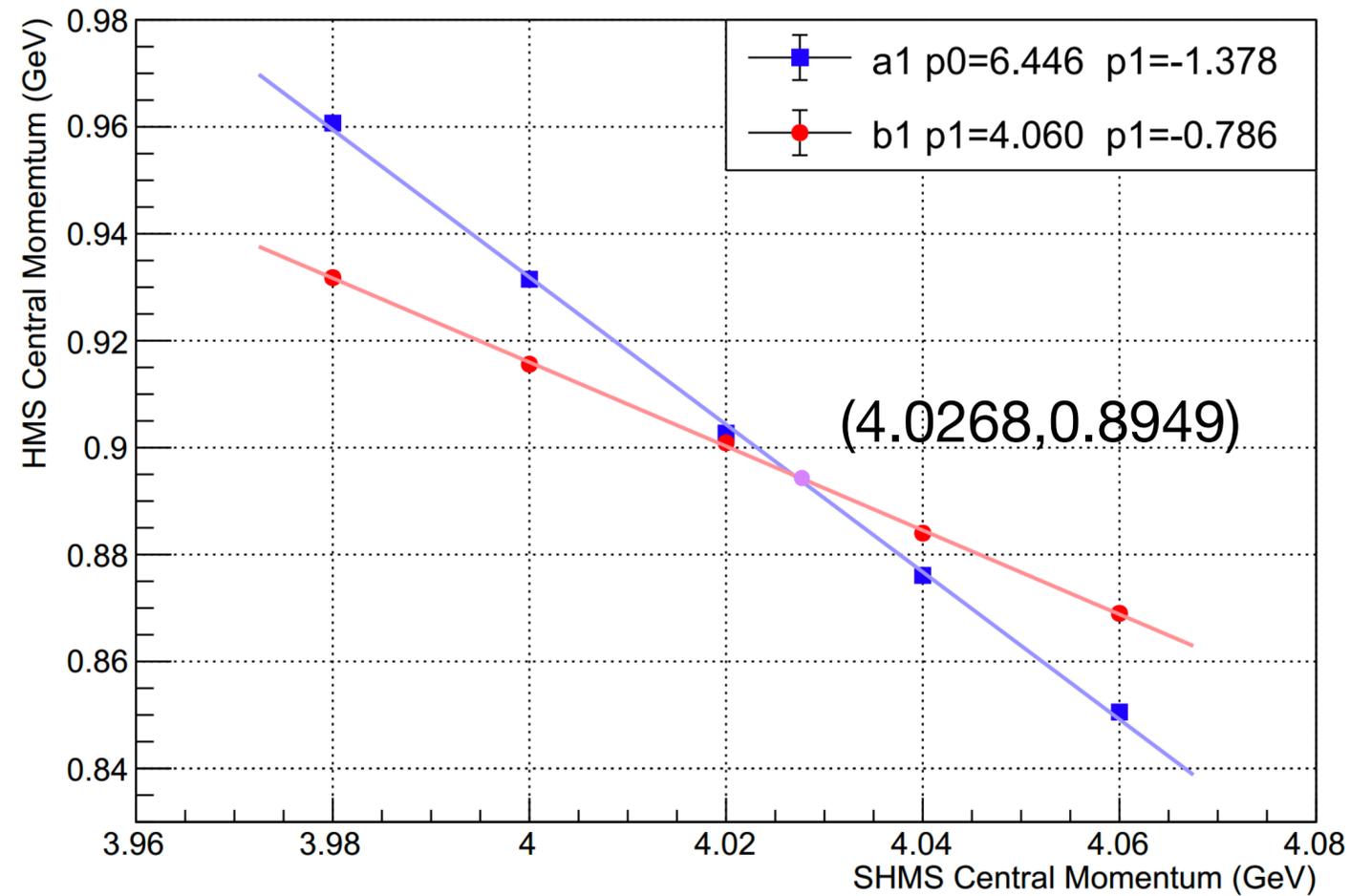
# Energy Calibration

Spectrometer: Same momentum, Different HMS theta

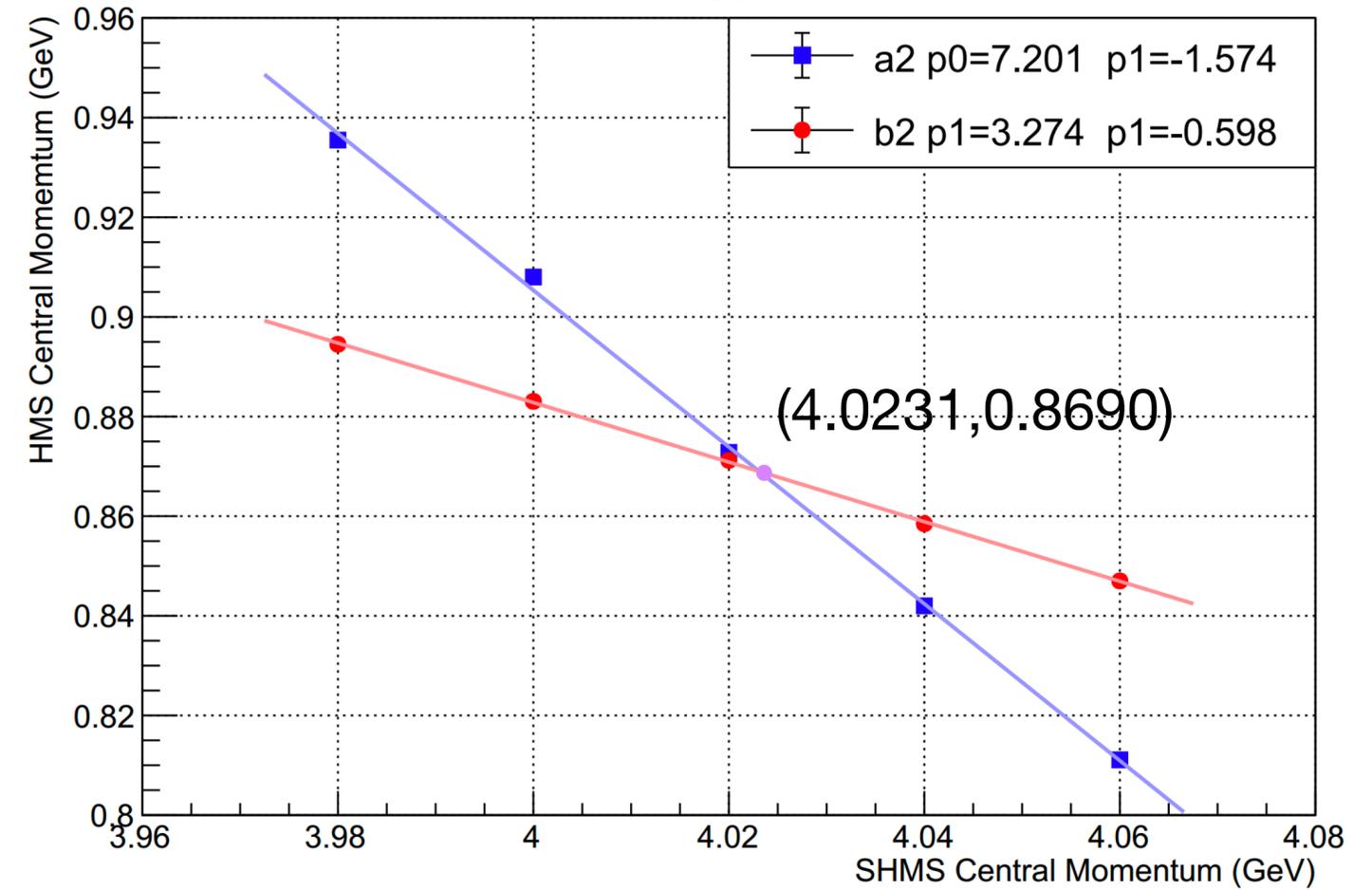
	SHMS_p	SHMS_th	HMS_p	HMS_th
<b>Kin1a</b>	<b>4.034</b>	<b>7.69</b>	<b>0.893</b>	<b>37.33</b>
<b>Kin1b</b>	<b>4.034</b>	<b>7.69</b>	<b>0.893</b>	<b>51.40</b>

	SHMS_p	SHMS_th	HMS_p	HMS_th
<b>Kin2a</b>	<b>4.034</b>	<b>7.69</b>	<b>0.863</b>	<b>33.52</b>
<b>Kin2b</b>	<b>4.034</b>	<b>7.69</b>	<b>0.863</b>	<b>55.22</b>

Kin 1a & Kin 1b

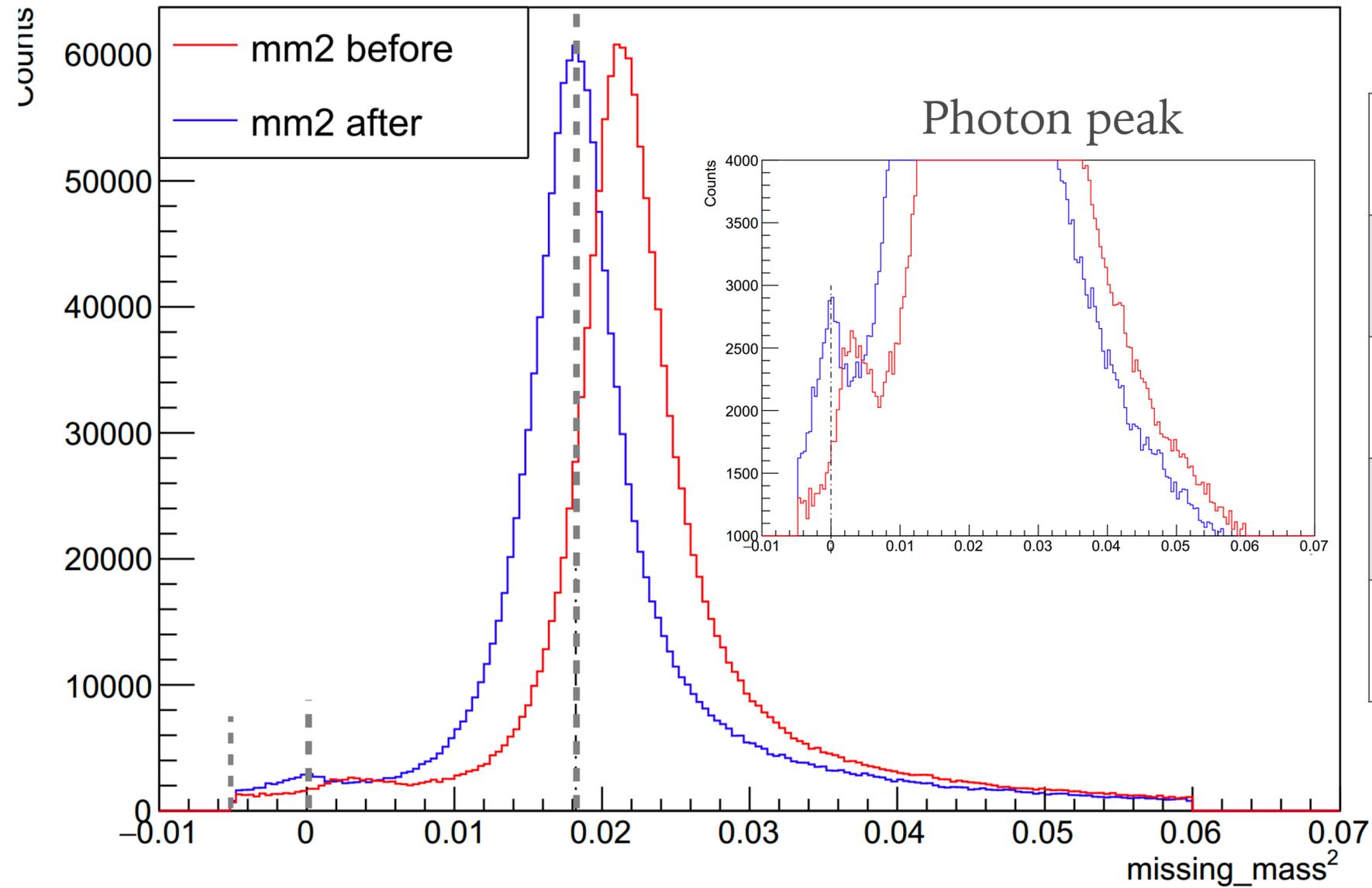


Kin 2a & Kin 2b



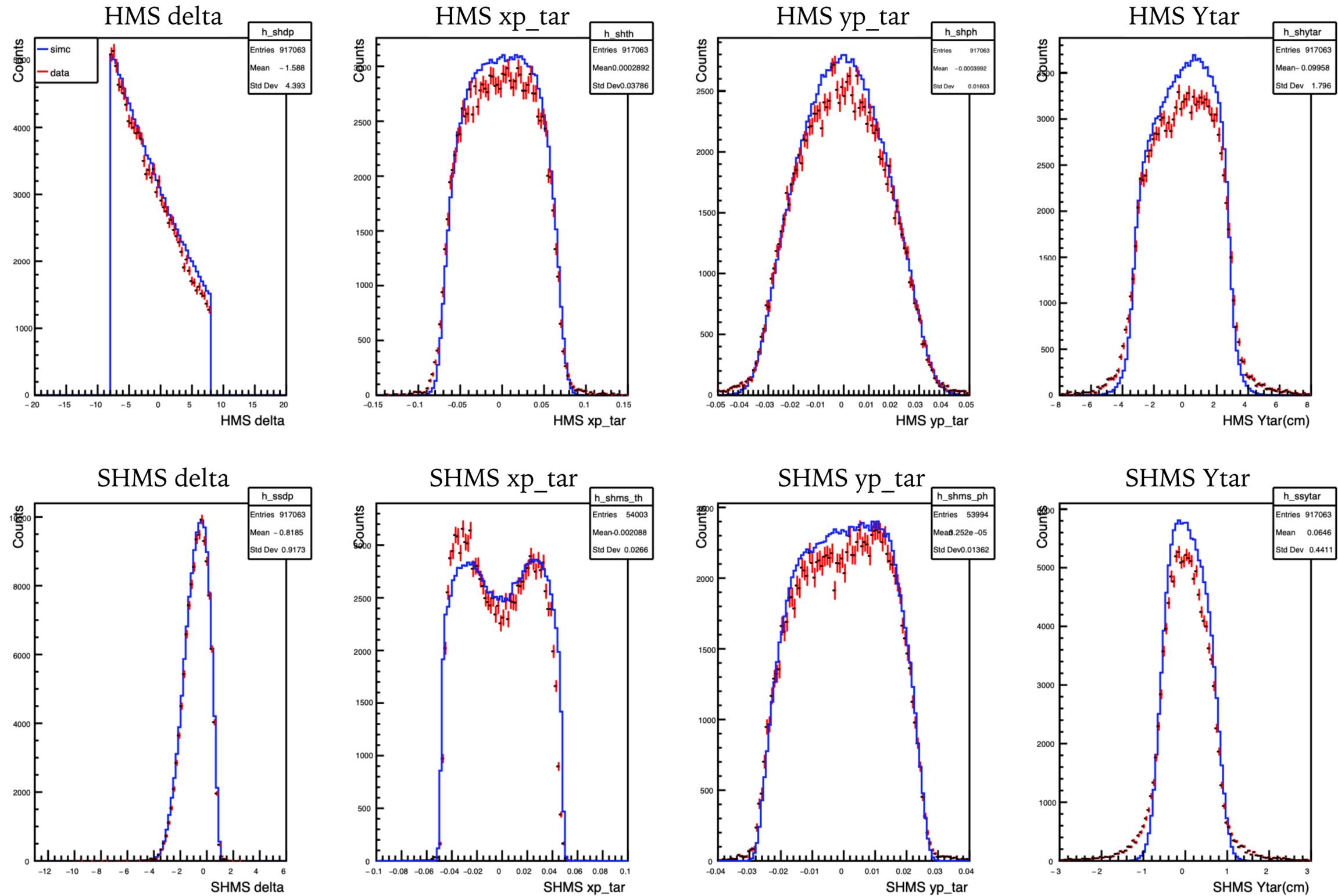
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## KIN 2b MM2



	SHMS_p Cal	SHMS_p Exp	Offset	HMS_p Cal	HMS_p Exp	Offset
<b>Kin1a</b>	<b>4.0268</b>	<b>4.034</b>	<b>0.002</b>	<b>0.8949</b>	<b>0.893</b>	<b>0.002</b>
<b>Kin1b</b>	<b>4.0268</b>	<b>4.034</b>	<b>0.002</b>	<b>0.8949</b>	<b>0.893</b>	<b>0.002</b>
<b>Kin2a</b>	<b>4.0231</b>	<b>4.034</b>	<b>0.003</b>	<b>0.869</b>	<b>0.863</b>	<b>0.007</b>
<b>Kin2b</b>	<b>4.0231</b>	<b>4.034</b>	<b>0.003</b>	<b>0.869</b>	<b>0.863</b>	<b>0.007</b>

# Pion Preliminary Analysis



# HCANA UPDATE

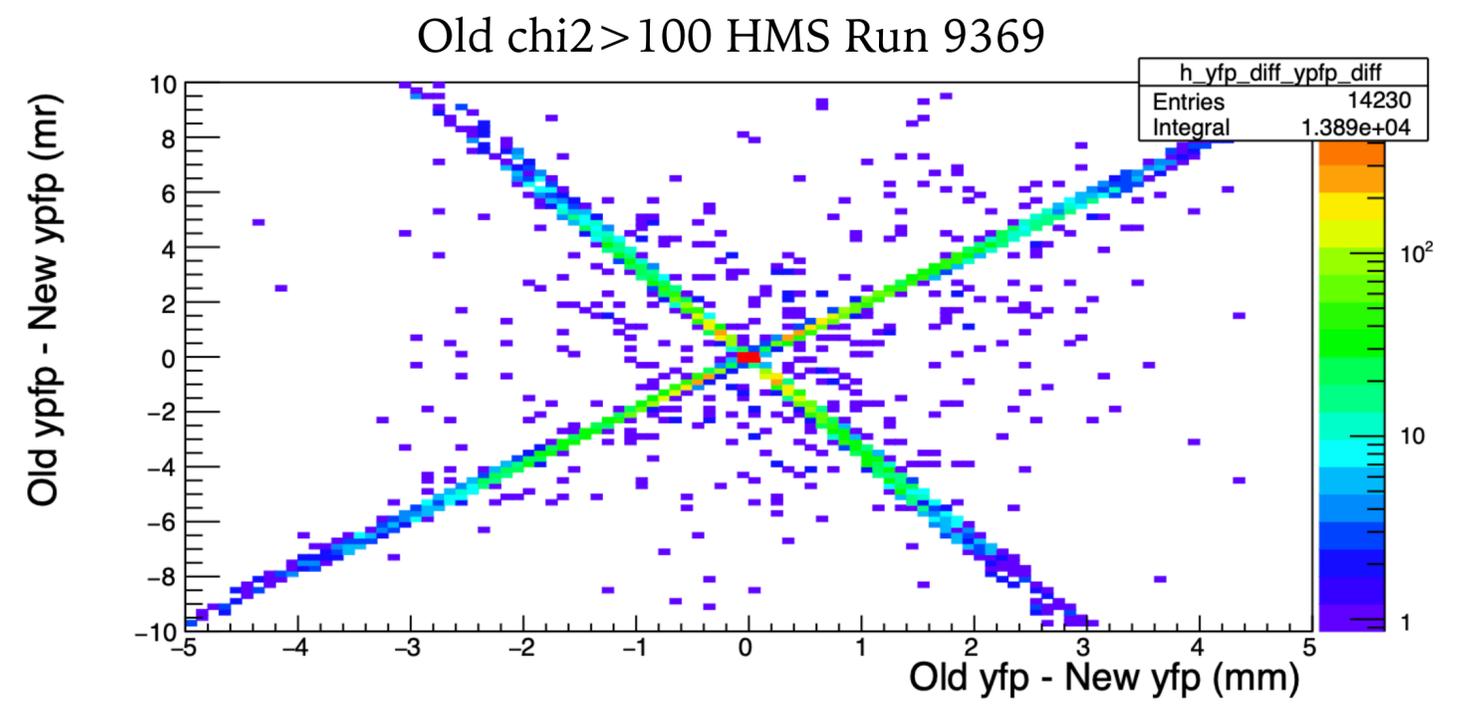
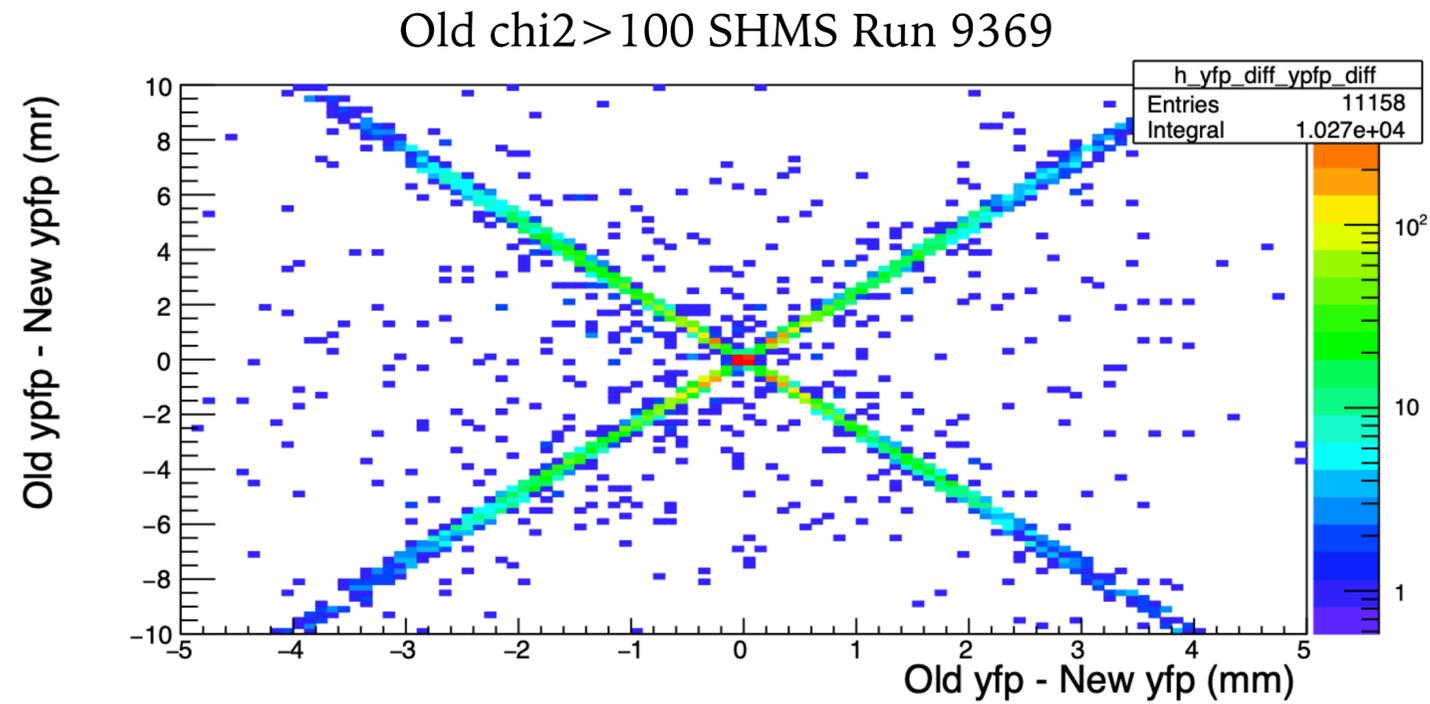
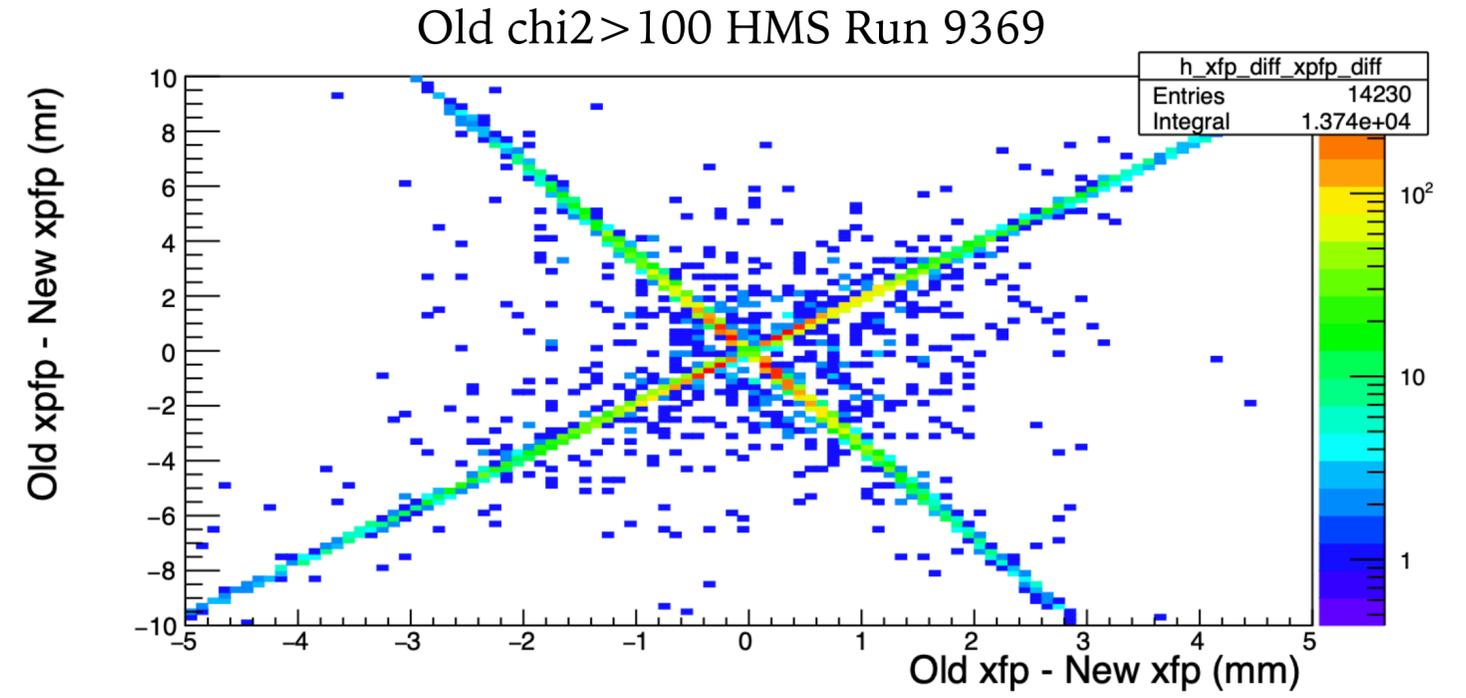
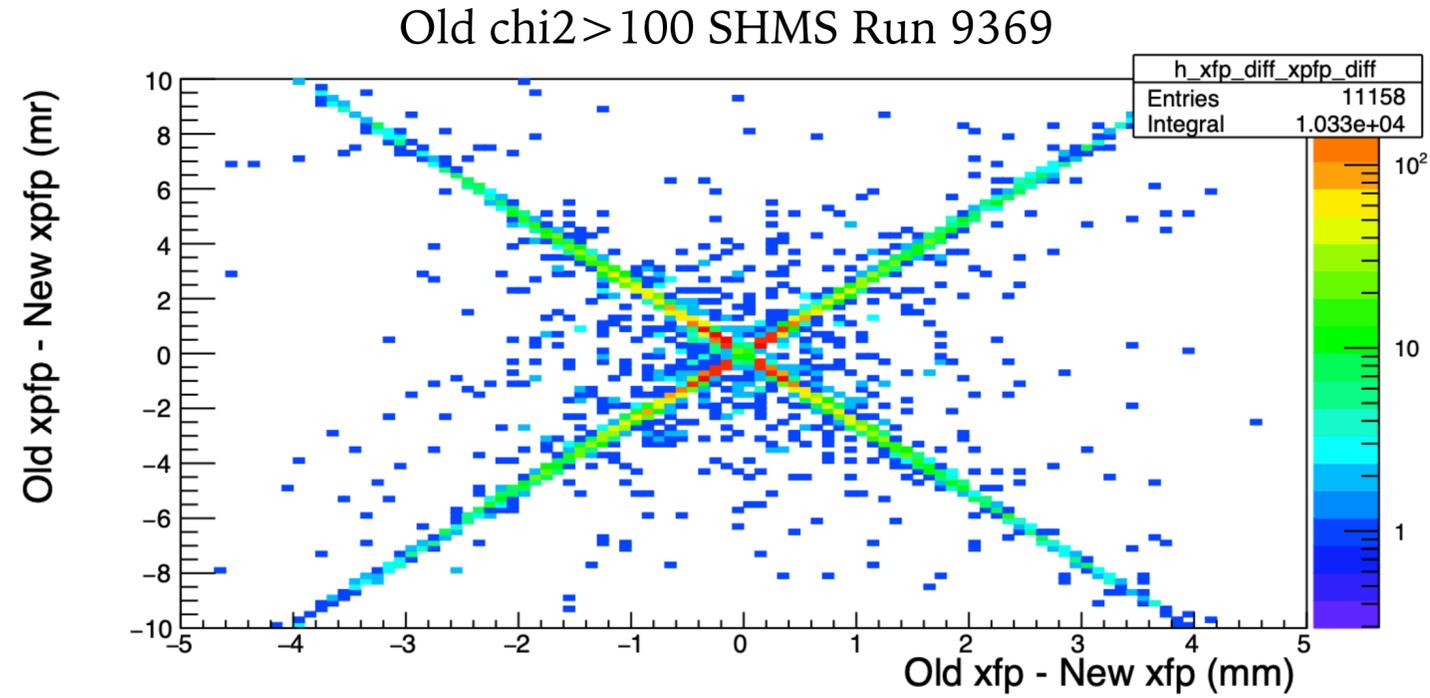


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