



# Overview

Main focus here **initial look** at meson production at  $>20\text{GeV}$

Use event-generator and toy simulations

- low  $Q^2$  electroproduction

Mostly consider 3 experimental aspects we wish to maximise :

- Luminosity

- Acceptance

- Resolution

See also CLAS12 presentations  
from D'Angelo and Burkert

Other aspects also important

- PID

- Vertex reconstruction

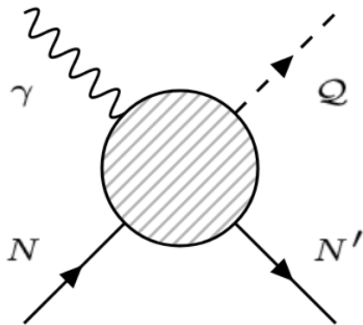
- Background rejection

- Detector rates

# Exclusive (Quasi-real) Photoproduction

**jpacPhoto** <https://github.com/dwinney/jpacPhoto>

Framework for amplitude analysis involving single meson production via quasi-elastic scattering of a real photon on a nucleon target. Focus on expandability and easy interfacing with Monte-Carlo tools and event generators.



Such processes are of interest at many experiments at JLab and the future EIC.

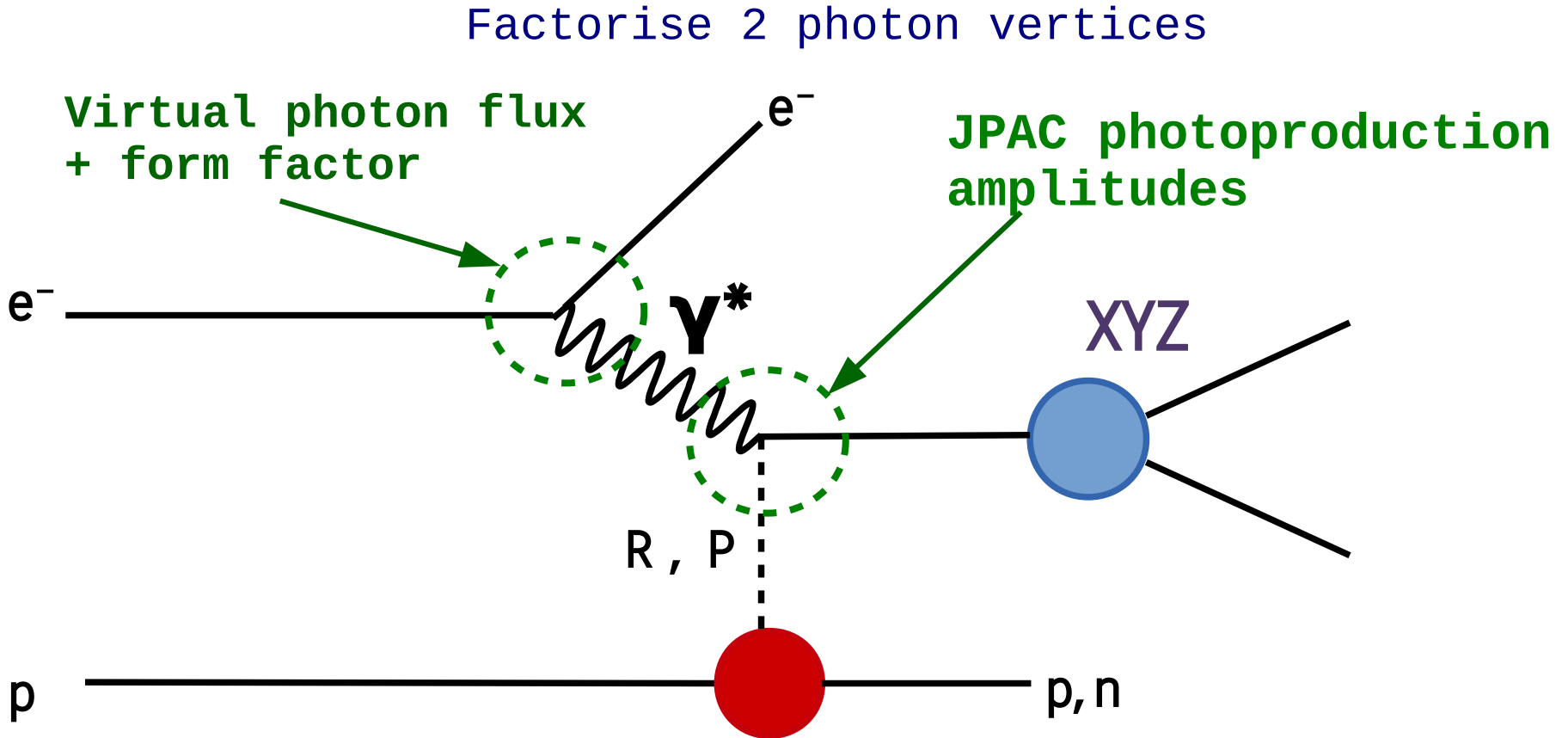
## *XYZ* spectroscopy at electron-hadron facilities: Exclusive processes

M. Albaladejo, A. N. Hiller Blin, A. Pilloni, D. Winney, C. Fernández-Ramírez, V. Mathieu, and A. Szczepaniak  
(Joint Physics Analysis Center)

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- qualitative behaviour and order of magnitude estimates

# Event Generator (Pictorial)



# Event Generator (Formal)

$$\frac{d^4 \sigma}{ds dQ^2 d\phi dt} = \frac{d^2 \sigma_{e, \gamma^* e'}}{ds dQ^2} \frac{d^2 \sigma_{\gamma^* p \rightarrow V+p}(s, Q^2)}{d\phi dt}$$

→ Integrate for event rate

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{e, \gamma^* e'}}{ds dQ^2} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{K \cdot L}{E} \cdot \frac{1}{Q^2} \cdot \frac{1}{(s - M^2 + Q^2)}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{\gamma^* p}}{d\phi dt} = \frac{d\sigma^T(Q^2, s)}{d\phi dt} + (\epsilon + \delta) \frac{d\sigma^L(Q^2, s)}{d\phi dt}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^T(Q^2, s)}{d\phi dt} = \frac{d^2 \sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow V+p}}{d\phi dt} F(Q^2)$$

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^L(Q^2, s)}{d\phi dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow V+p}}{d\phi dt} = \frac{1}{128 \pi^2 s} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{p}_{\gamma^* cm}|^2} |M(s, t)|^2$$

→  $|M(s, t)|^2$  JPAC Photoproduction Amplitudes

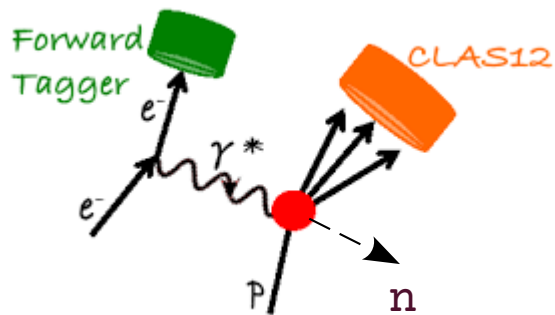
$$Q^2 = 2 E M x y$$

$$W^2 = M^2 + 2 E M y - Q^2$$

$$L = \frac{1 + (1 - y)^2}{y} - \frac{2 m_e^2 y}{Q^2}$$

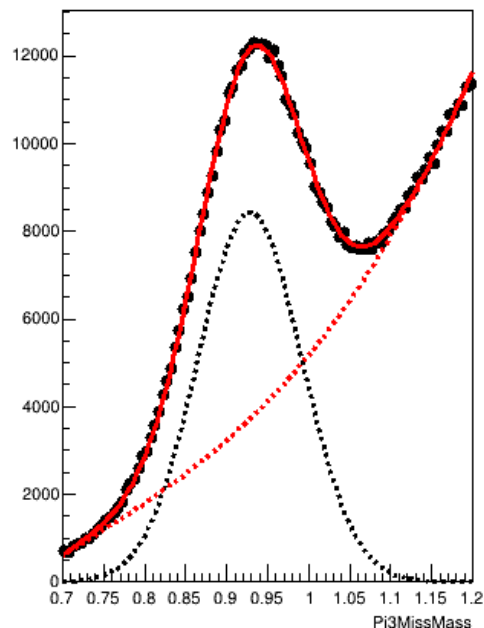
$$K = \frac{W^2 - M^2}{2 M} = v(1 - x) = Ey(1 - x) = v - \frac{Q^2}{2 M}$$

# CLAS12 MesonEx: low $Q^2$ electroproduction

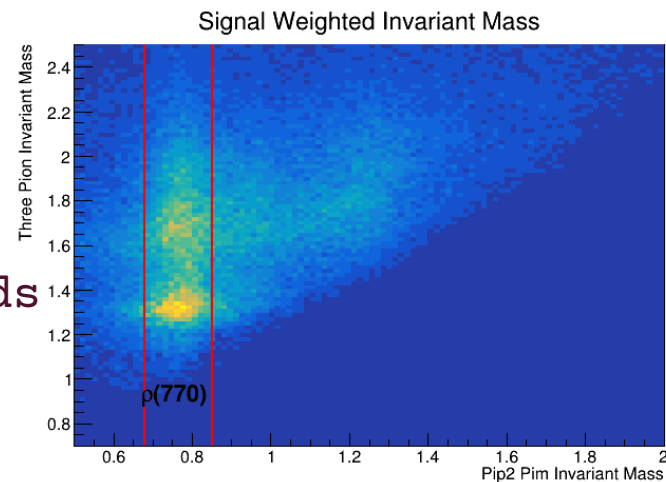
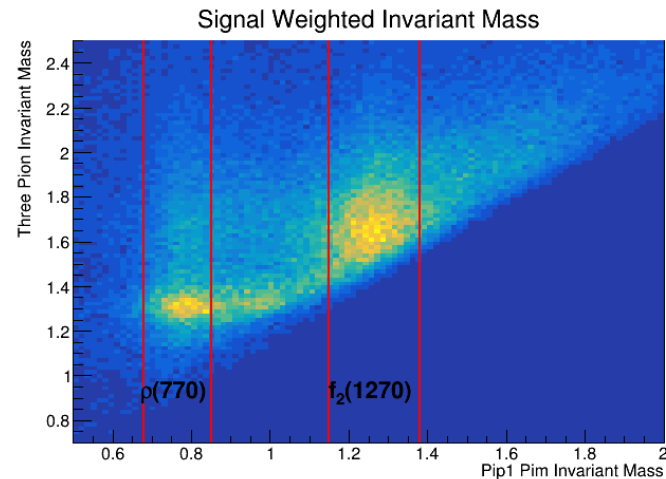


Forward tagger measures  
Electron  $2.5-4.5^\circ$   
 $Q^2 < 0.3 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$

Example  $\pi^+\pi^+\pi^- (n)$



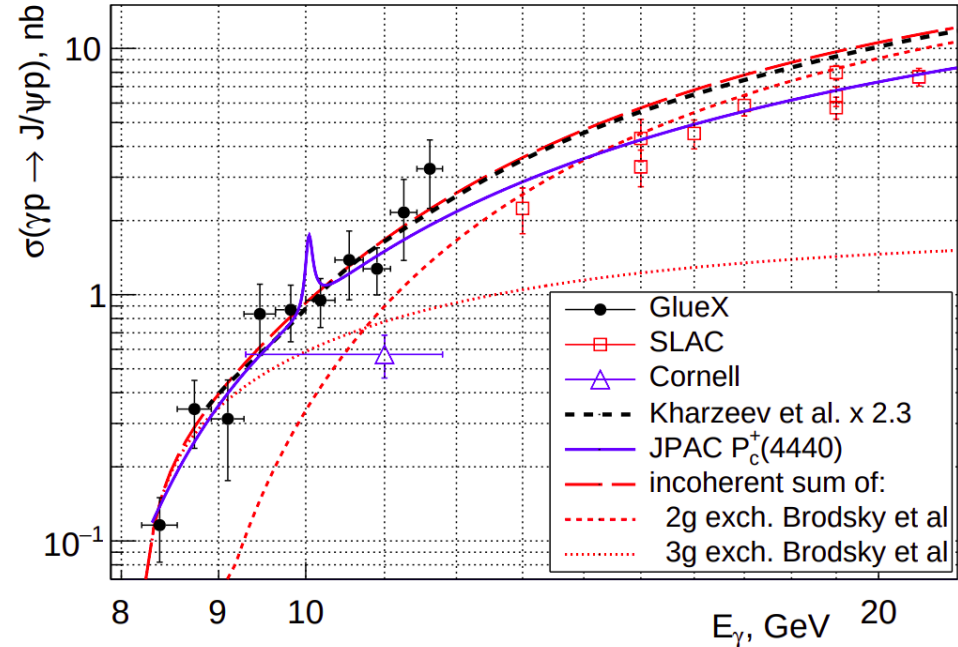
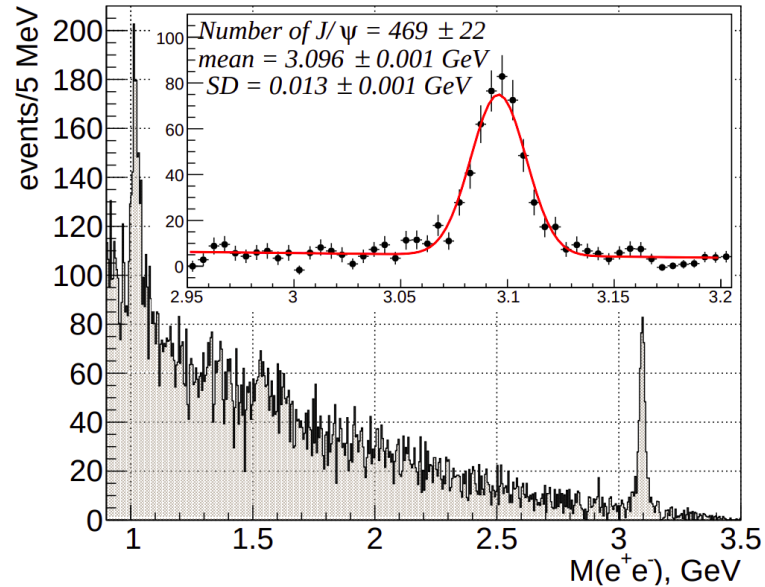
Reconstruct  
Neutron mass to  
Subtract backgrounds



# $J/\psi$ photoproduction

First Measurement of Near-Threshold  $J/\psi$  Exclusive Photoproduction off the Proton

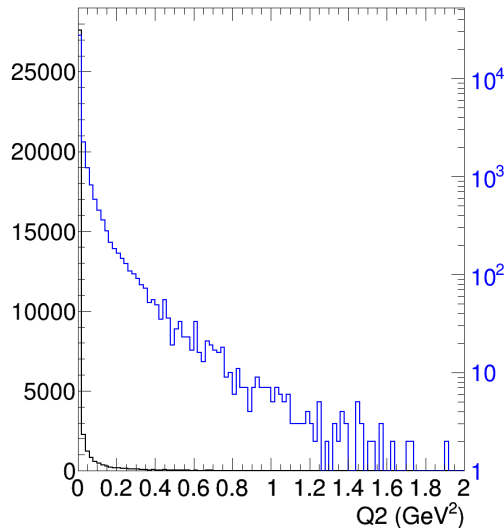
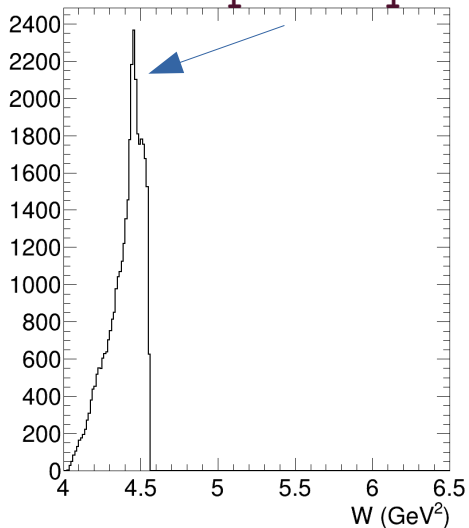
A. Ali *et al.* (GlueX Collaboration)  
Phys. Rev. Lett. **123**, 072001 – Published 13 August 2019



Note  $\sim 68 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  of data

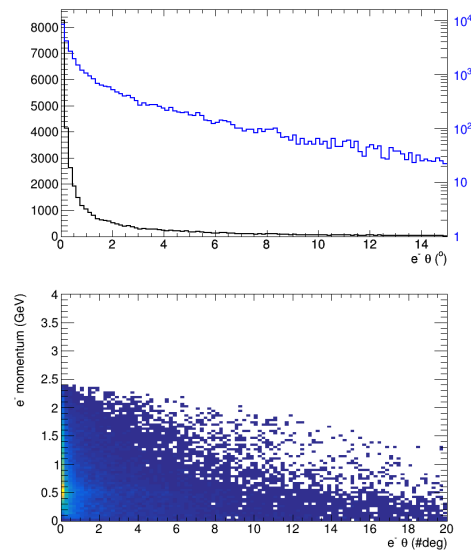
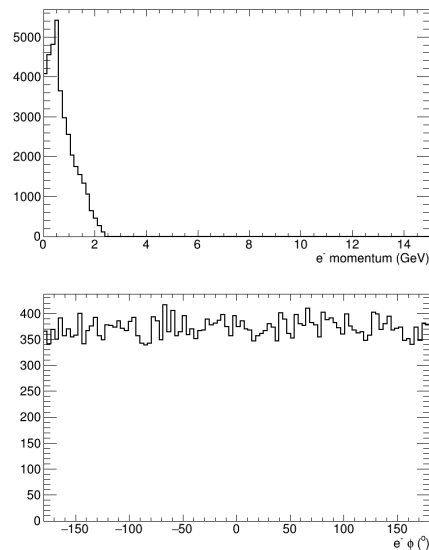
# J/ψ (quasi-real) photoproduction @ 11GeV

pentaquark



Virtual photon flux  
integrated from threshold

scattered e-



$e^-$  momentum < 2 GeV

$e^- \theta < 10^\circ$

Note virtual photon luminosity :

$10^{35} (\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}).50(\text{days}).0.004 = 1710 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

Scale GlueX:  $1710/68 * 469 = 11,800 \text{ J}/\psi$

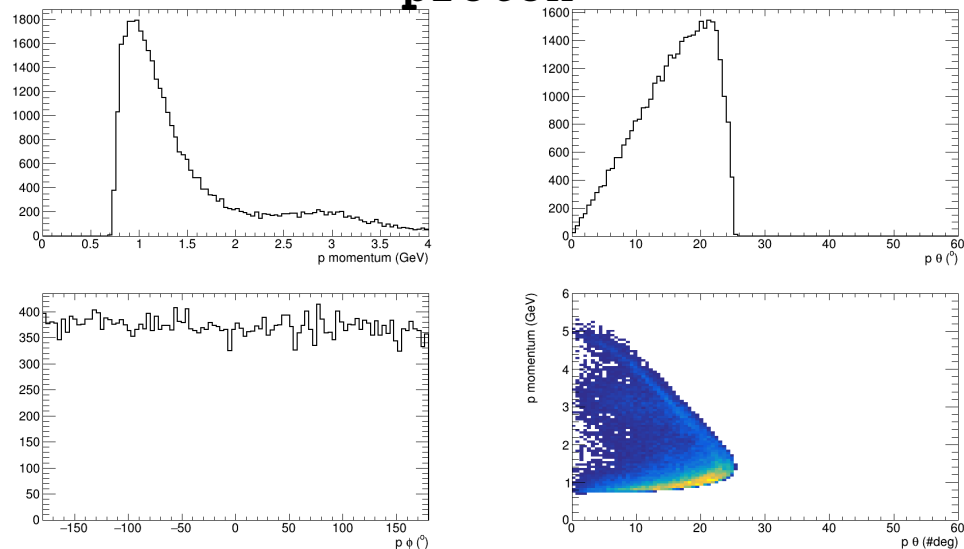
Consistent if GlueX acceptance  $\sim 0.3$

#events here 37,000



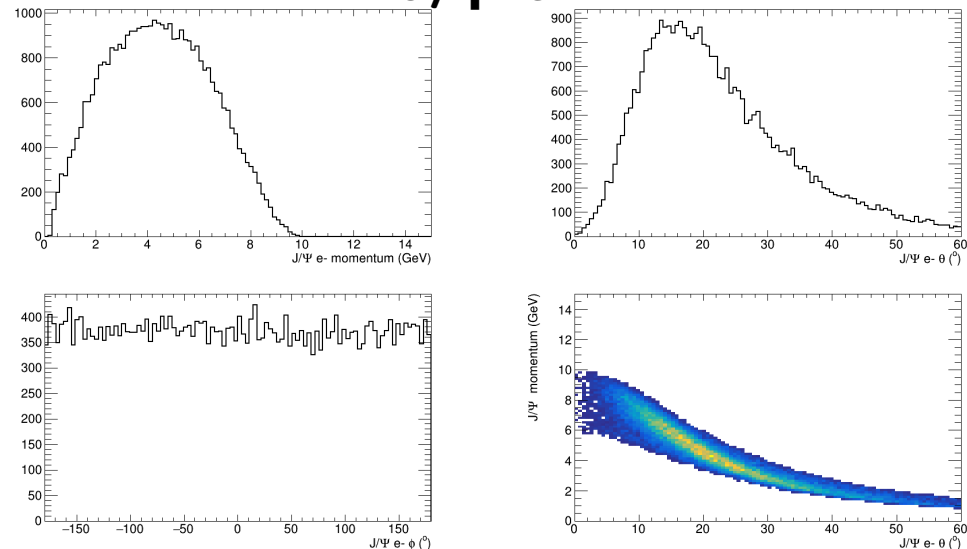
# $J/\psi$ (quasi-real) photoproduction @ 11GeV

**proton**



Proton momentum < 5 GeV  
Proton  $\theta$  < 26°

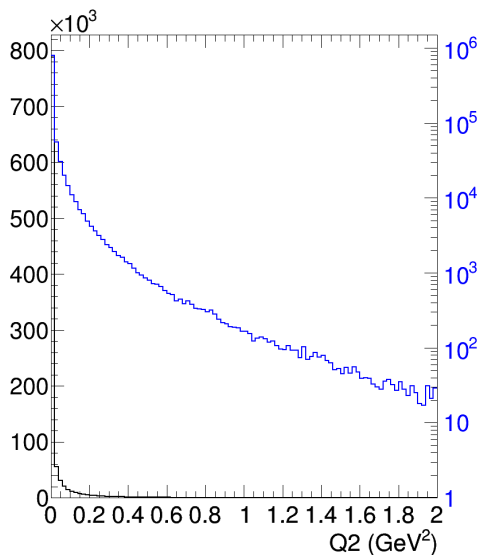
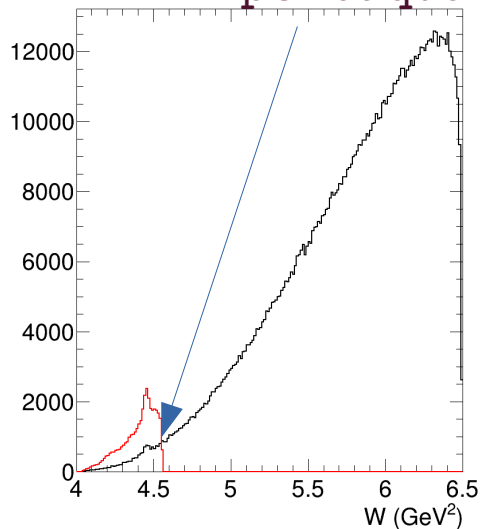
**$J/\psi$   $e^-$**



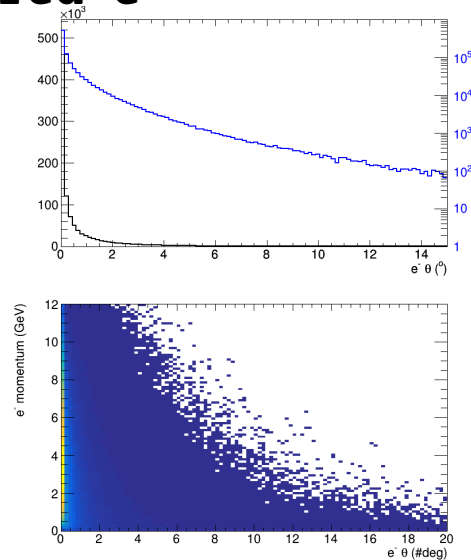
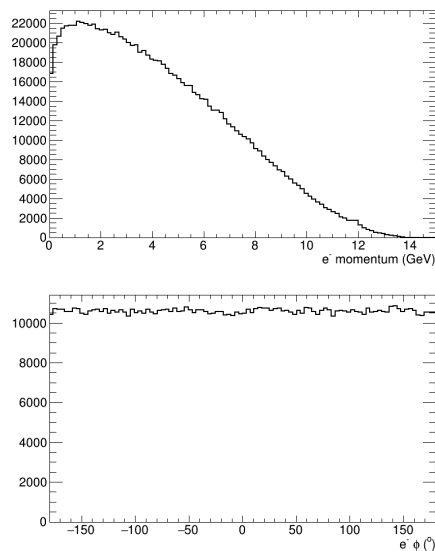
$J/\psi$   $e^-$  momentum < 10 GeV  
 $J/\psi$   $e^-$   $\theta$  < 60°

# $J/\psi$ (quasi-real) photoproduction @ 22 GeV

pentaquark



scattered e<sup>-</sup>



Pentaquark narrow structure in  $W$   
Only produced over narrow  $E_\gamma$  range

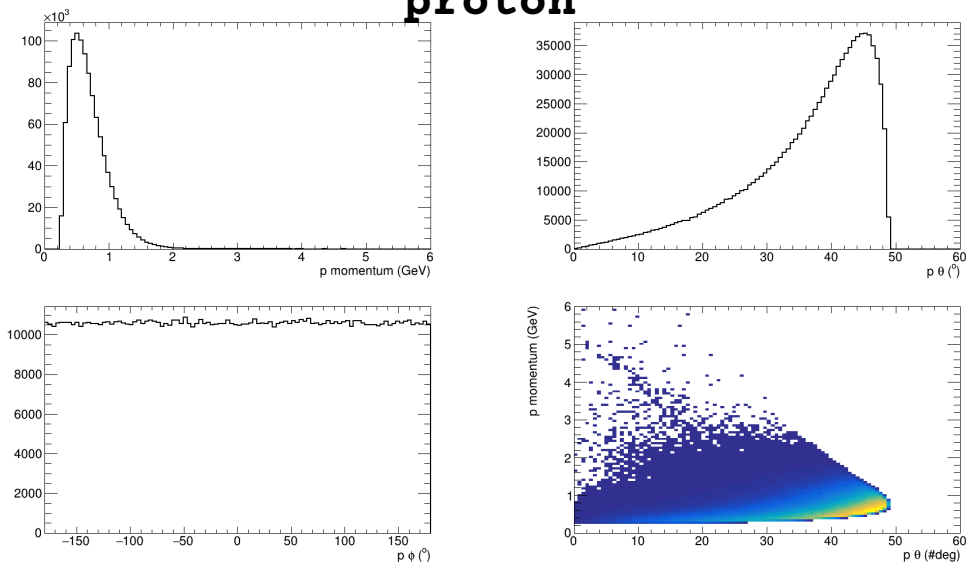
Lower beam energies is preferential  
for pentaquark searches

$e^-$  momentum < 14 GeV  
 $e^- \theta < 5^\circ$

#events 1,060,000  
85% with  $e^- \theta < 1^\circ$

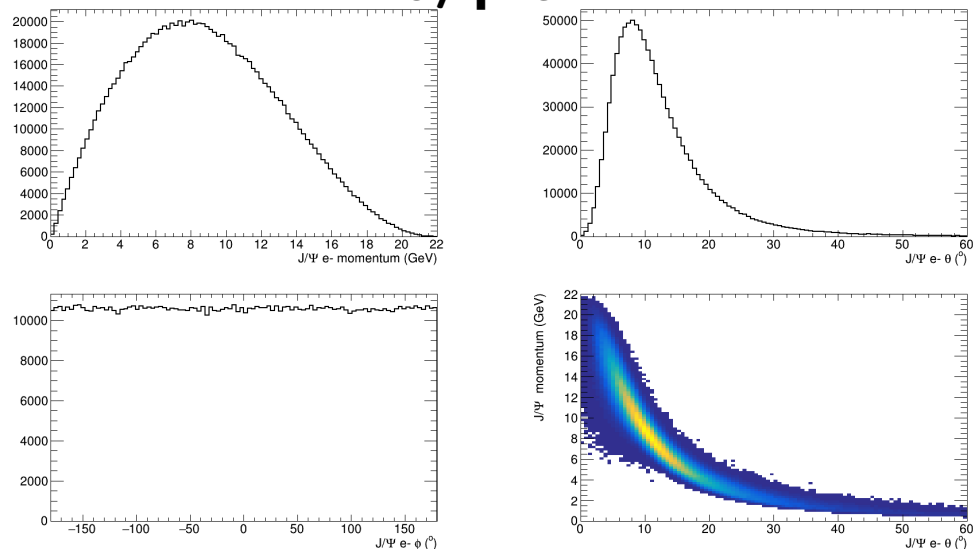
# $J/\psi$ (quasi-real) photoproduction @ 22 GeV

**proton**



Proton momentum < 5 GeV  
Proton  $\theta$  < 50°

**$J/\psi$  e<sup>-</sup>**



$J/\psi$  e<sup>-</sup> momentum < 22 GeV  
 $J/\psi$  e<sup>-</sup>  $\theta$  < 60°

# $J/\psi$ (quasi-real) photoproduction @ 11GeV

SoLID detector in Hall A

[https://www.jlab.org/exp\\_prog/proposals/12/PR12-12-006.pdf](https://www.jlab.org/exp_prog/proposals/12/PR12-12-006.pdf)

The SoLID acceptance was mimicked by the following: i) recoil proton,  $P_p > 1$  GeV and  $8 < \theta_p < 15$  degs, ii) scattered electron,  $1 < P_e < 2.5$  GeV and  $8 < \theta_e < 15$  degs, iii) electron from the  $J/\psi$  decay,  $P_{J/\psi e} > 2.5$  GeV and  $8 < \theta_{J/\psi e} < 25$  degs, and iv) positron from the  $J/\psi$  decay,  $P_{J/\psi p} > 2.5$  GeV and  $8 < \theta_{J/\psi p} < 25$  degs. The rate calculated from

Nominal acceptance 4-fold 0.03% ; 3-fold 0.07% \*0.85 efficiency

|        | 2-gluon only | (2+3)-gluon |
|--------|--------------|-------------|
| 4 fold | 0.7k         | 2.9k        |
| 3 fold | 2.1k         | 8.1k        |

This model with approximate acceptances

0.9k

2.2k

67k

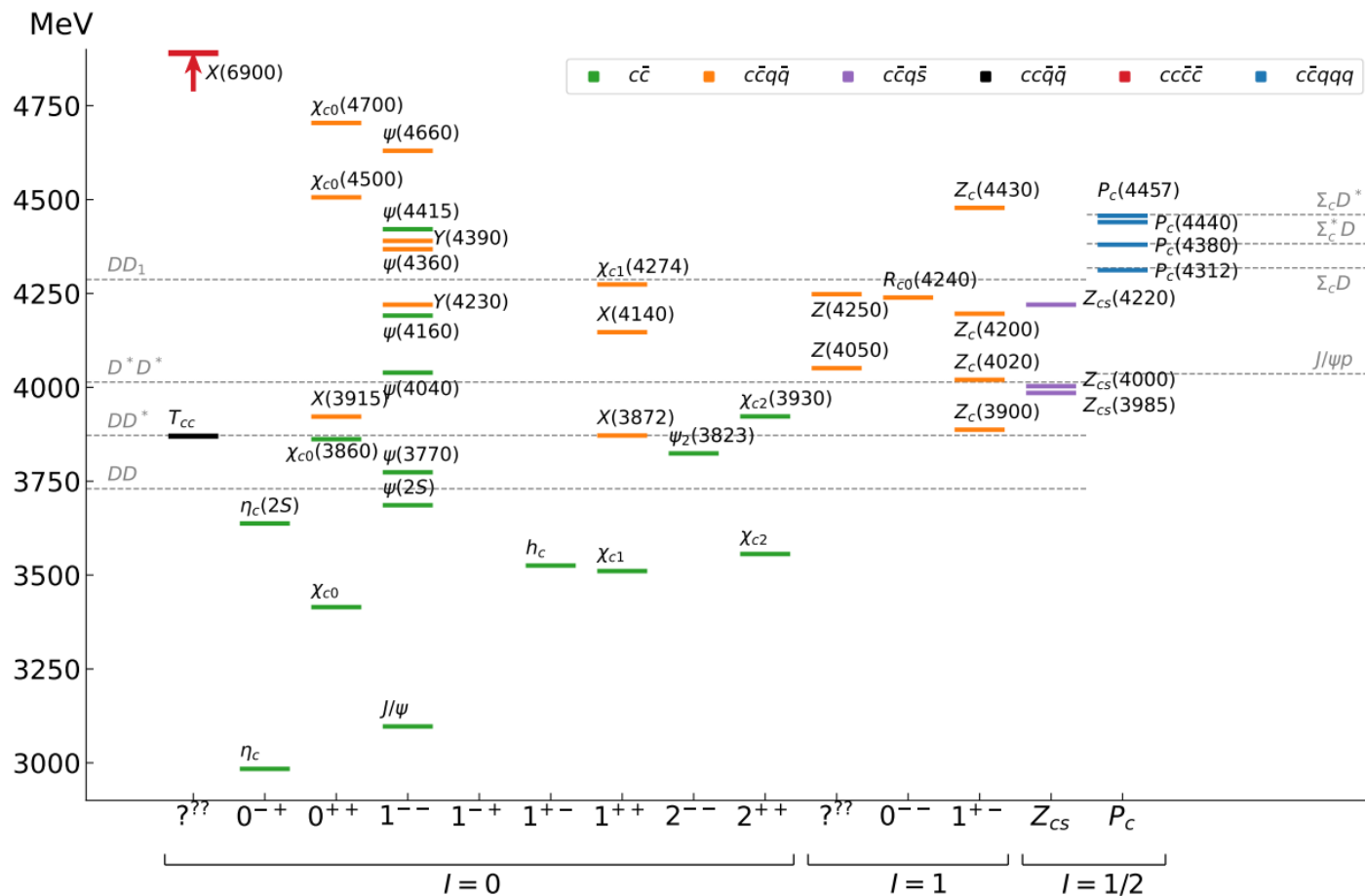
3 fold no e-

Design specialised for 11 GeV proton kinematics

→ Well suited for pentaquark search

(i.e. at 22GeV acceptance lower)

# Exotics review



See presentation Spectroscopy Theory

# $Z_c(3900)$ quasi-real photoproduction

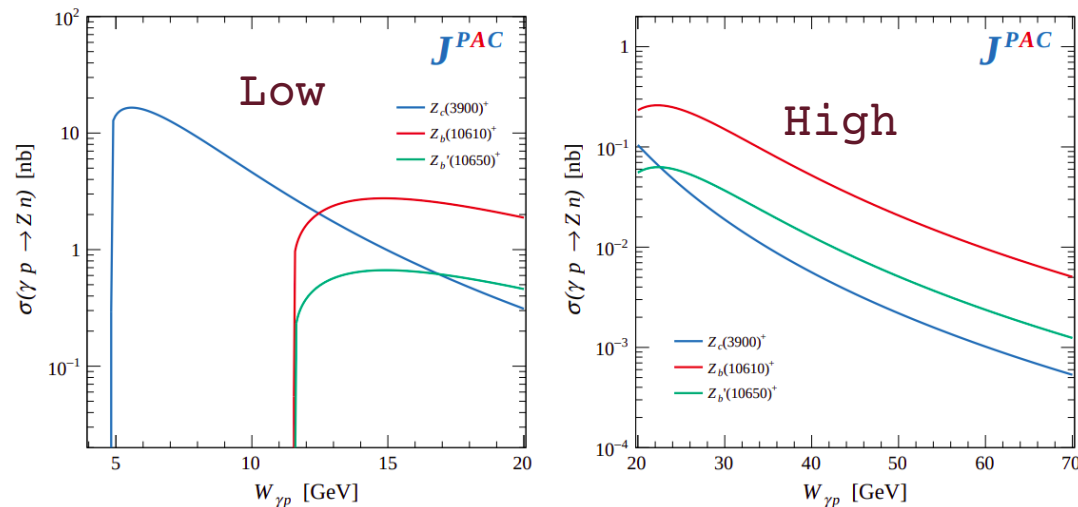
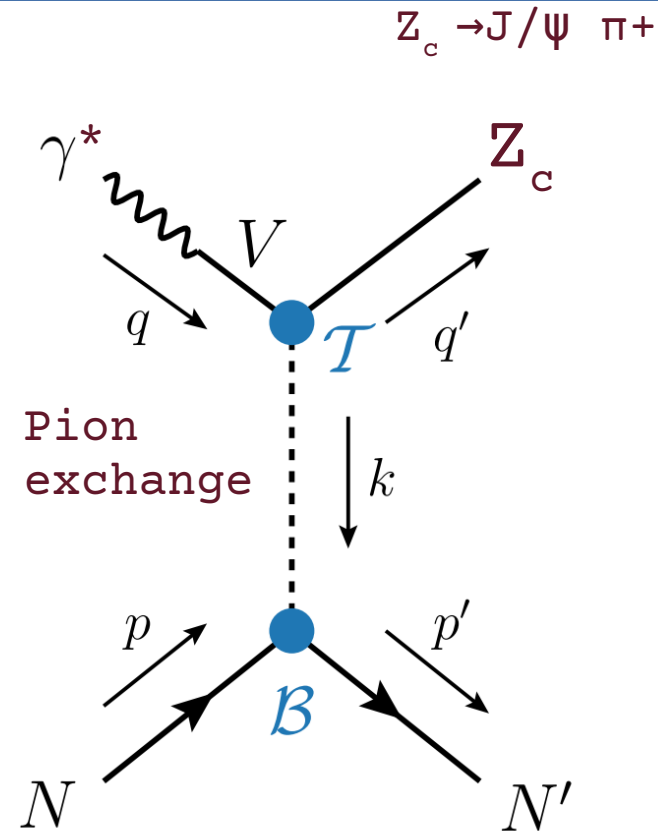


FIG. 2. Integrated cross sections for the three  $Z$  states considered. Left panel: predictions for fixed-spin exchange, which we expect to be valid up to approximately 10 GeV above each threshold. Right panel: predictions for Regge exchange, valid at high energies.

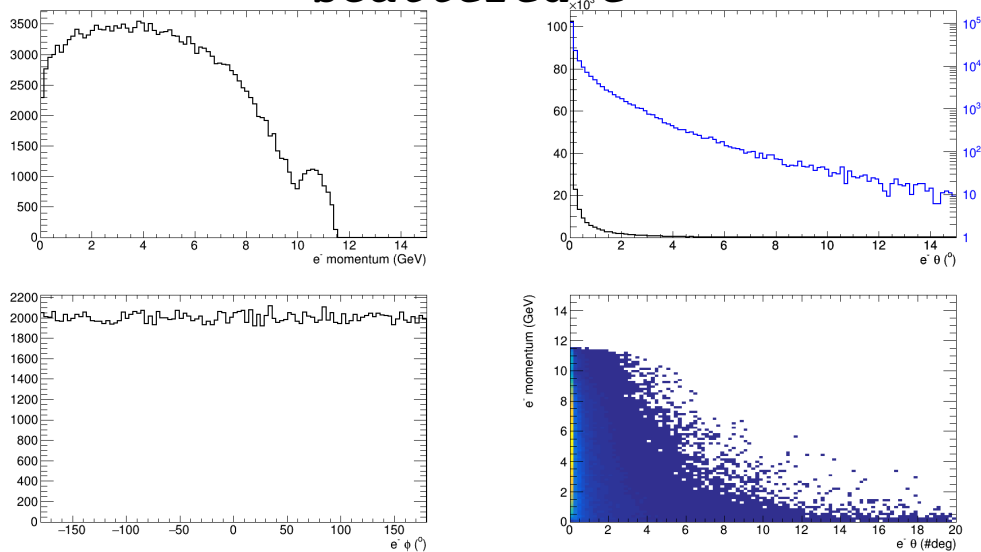
Interpolate between low and high models

Assuming luminosity  $10^{35}$   
and 50 days gives 210k events.  
With 22 GeV beam momentum



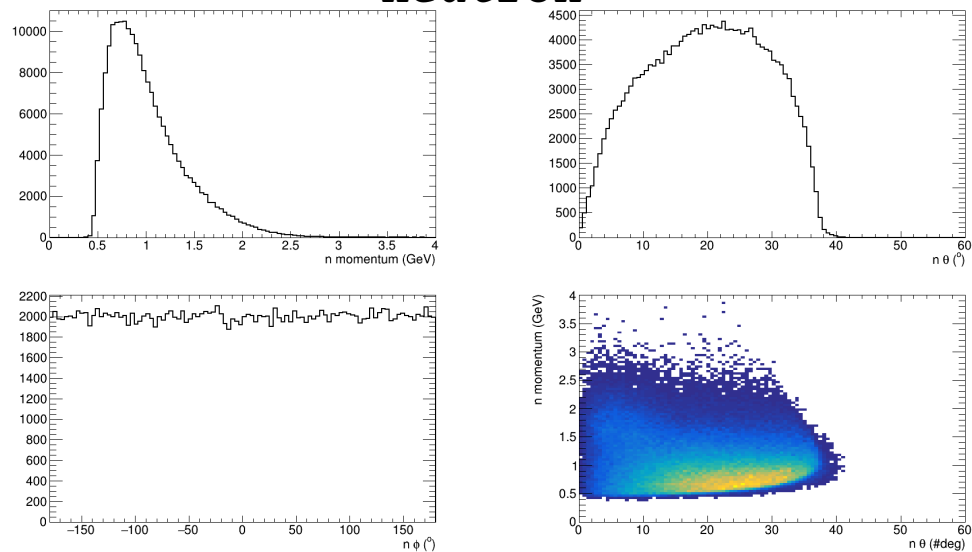
# $Z_c(3900)$ Particle momentum @ 22GeV

scattered e-



Most  $e^- < 1\text{deg}$ .  
And  $< 12 \text{ GeV}$

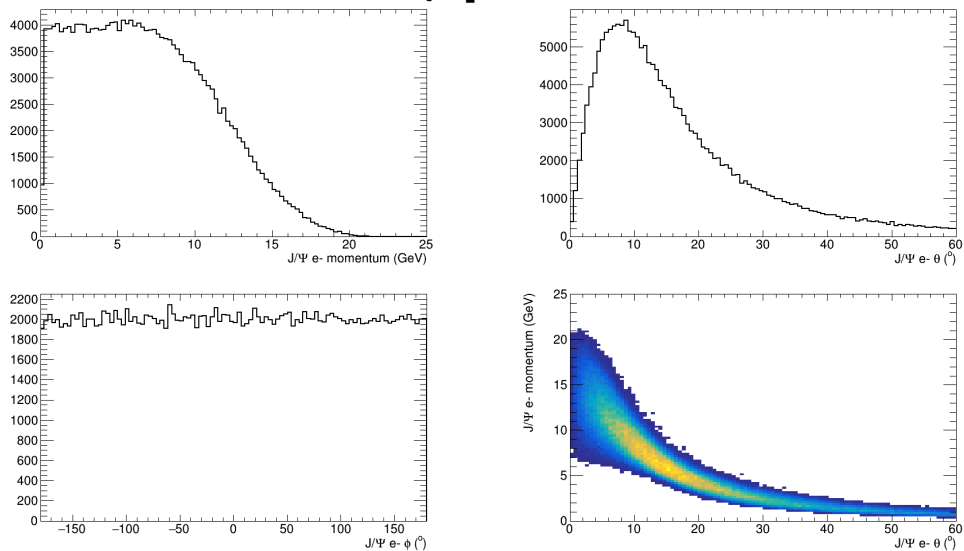
neutron



Neutron detection from 0.5 GeV

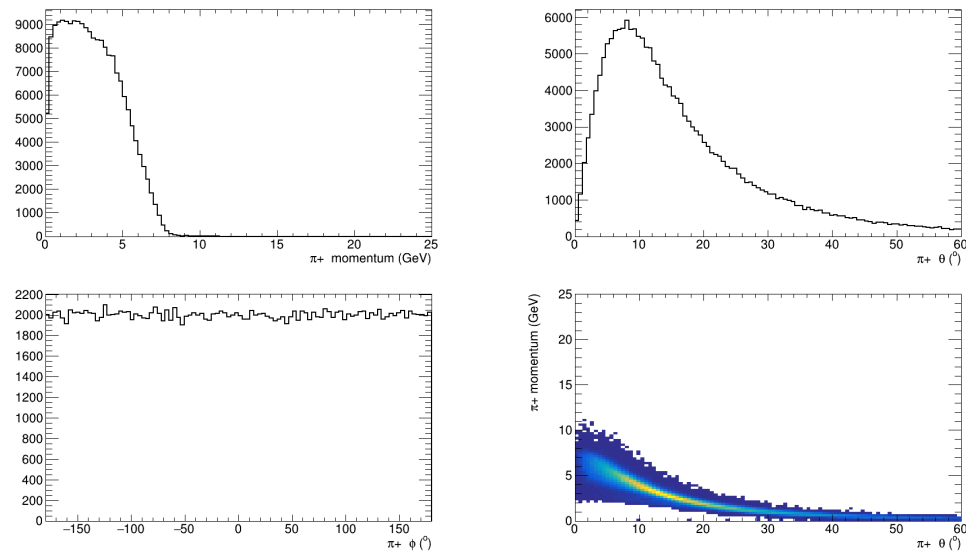
# $Z_c(3900)$ Particle momentum @22 GeV

$J/\psi$   $e^-$



Leptons up to 20 GeV

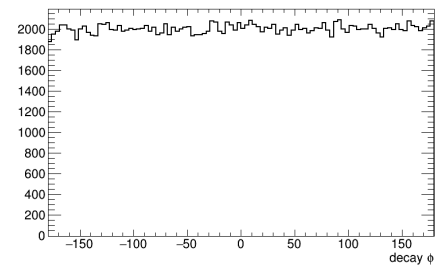
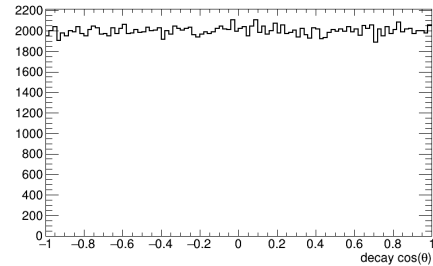
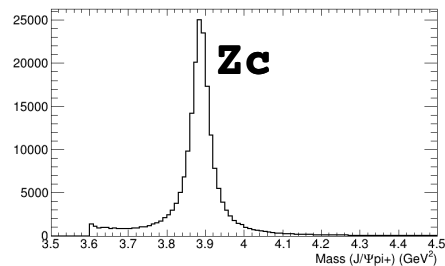
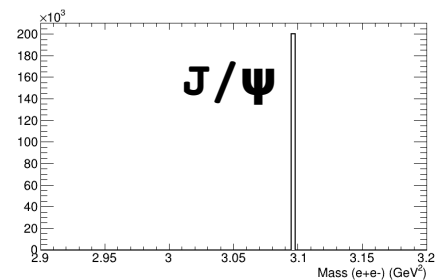
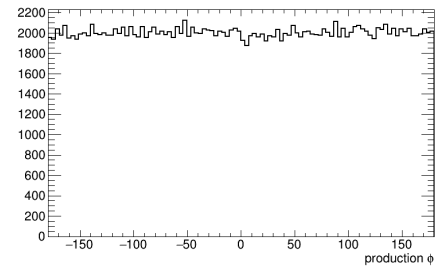
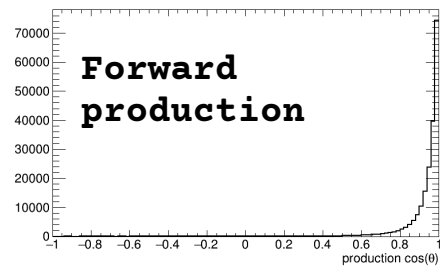
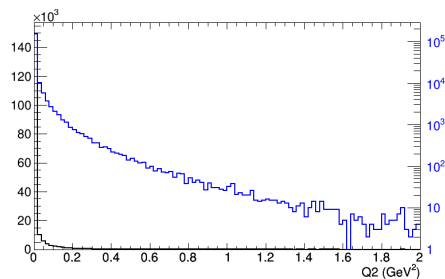
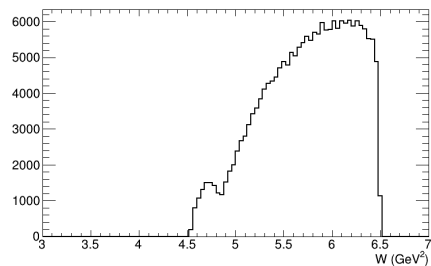
$\pi^+$



Decay pions have lower momentum  
Similar angular range



# $Z_c(3900)$ Kinematics



# Toy Detectors

High Luminosity, Resolution  
Low Acceptance detector

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, P > 0.3 GeV
,  $\theta > 9^\circ$  ; 70% detection
For  $\theta < 35^\circ$ 
,  $\sigma_p = 1\%$ 
,  $\sigma_\theta = 1 \text{ mrad}$ 
,  $\sigma_\phi = 1/\sin(\theta) \text{ mrad}$ 
For  $\theta > 35^\circ$ 
,  $\sigma_p = 5\%$ 
,  $\sigma_\theta = 1 \text{ mrad}$ 
,  $\sigma_\phi = 10/\sin(\theta) \text{ mrad}$ 
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For scattered e-  
,  $\sigma_p = 2\%$

High Acceptance  
Low Luminosity detector

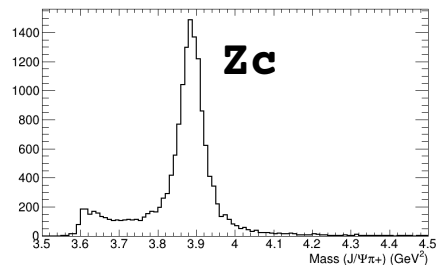
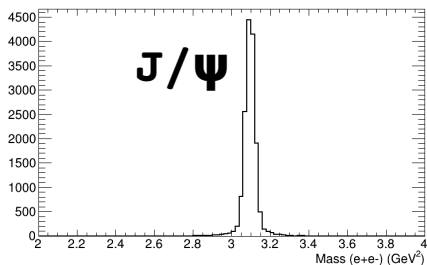
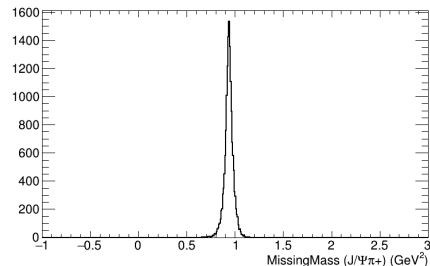
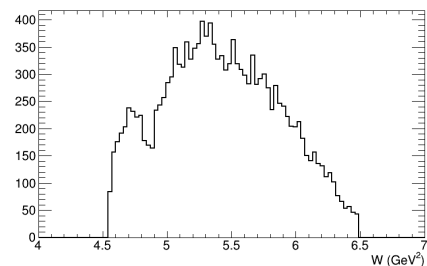
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, P > 0.2 GeV
,  $\theta > 2^\circ$  (or  $5^\circ$ )*
,  $\sigma_p = 3\%$ 
,  $\sigma_\theta = 0.5 \text{ rad}$ 
,  $\sigma_\phi = 0.2/\sin(\theta)$ 
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Any resemblance to currently existing detectors is not entirely coincidental, but are extremely approximate

**\*\* Remember High Luminosity => could be order magnitude higher rates  
Higher resolution => less backgrounds**

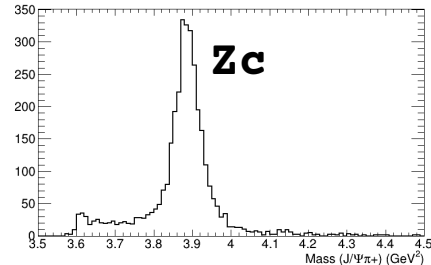
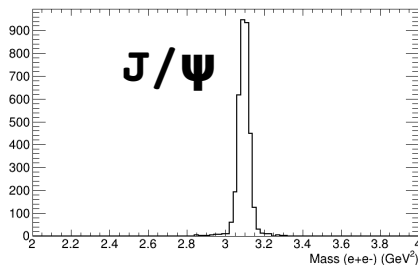
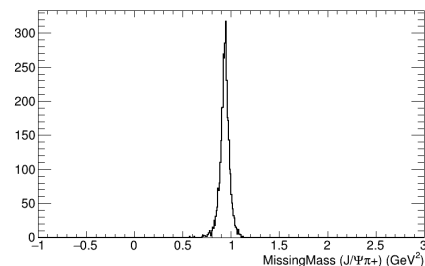
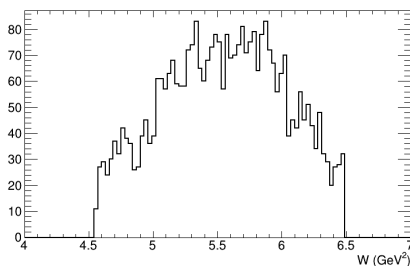
# $Z_c(3900)$ High Luminosity

untagged



~15,000 events  
7.5%

$e^-$  tagged  $>0.5^\circ$

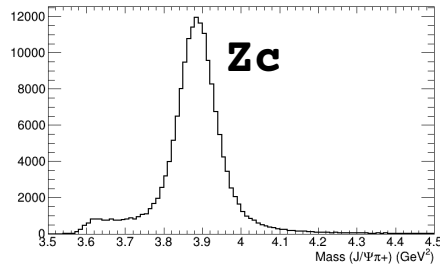
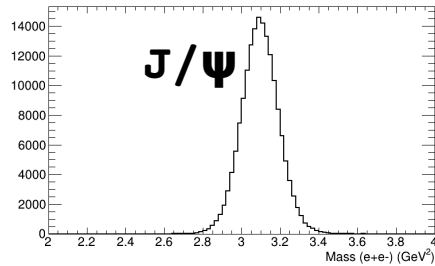
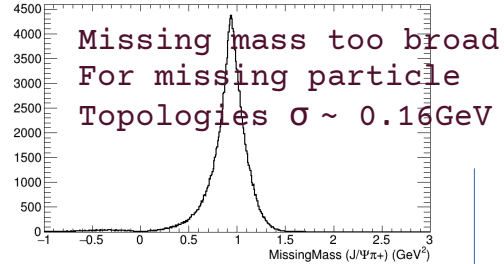
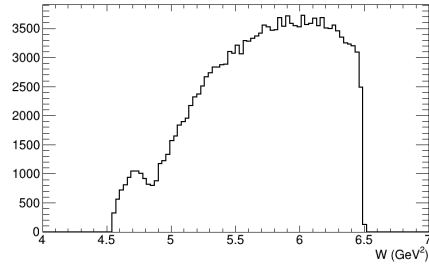


~3,000 tagged events  
1.5%

Missing particle can  
be reconstructed

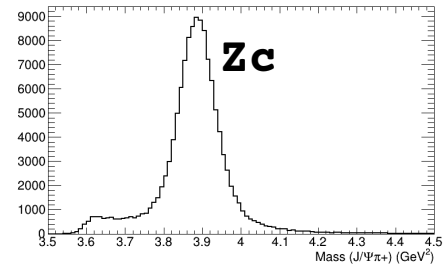
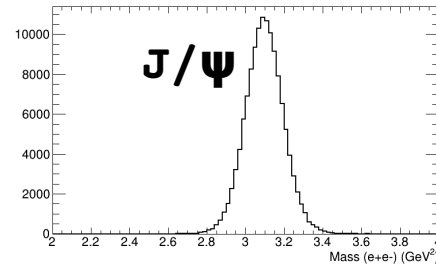
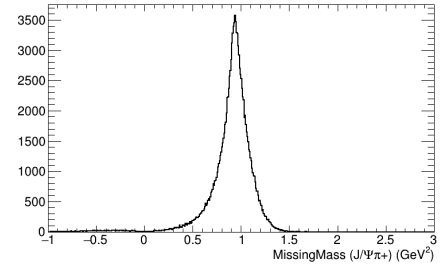
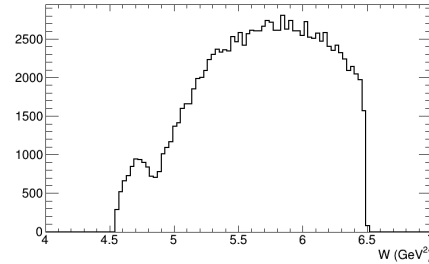
# Zc High Acceptance

With  $>2^\circ$  forward detection



$\sim 180,000$  events  
90%

With  $>5^\circ$  forward detection



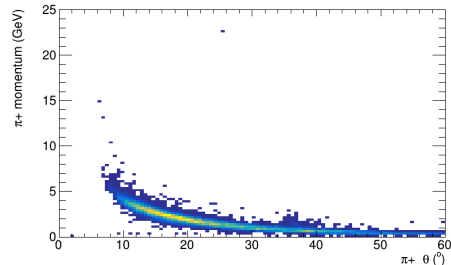
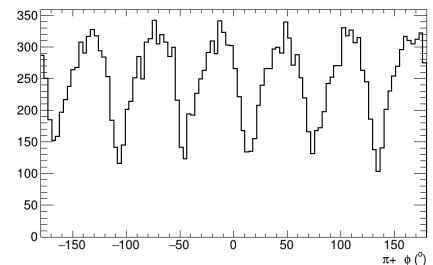
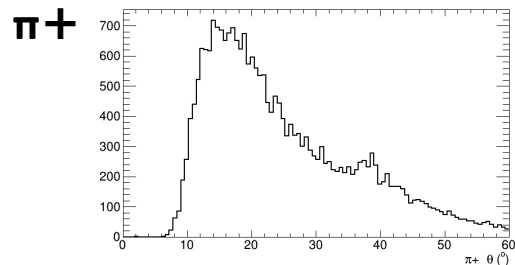
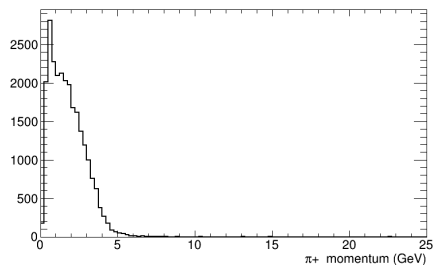
$\sim 130,000$  events  
65%

$Z_c^0$  would be better here  
(detect proton and  $\pi^0$ )

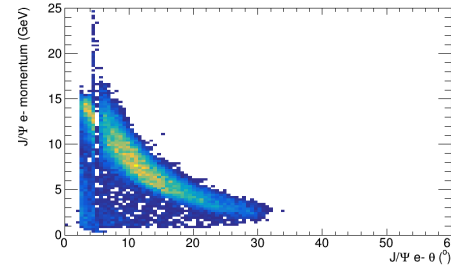
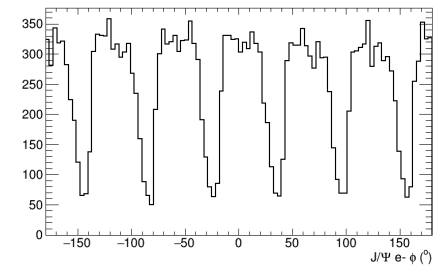
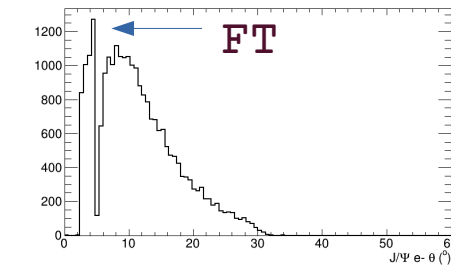
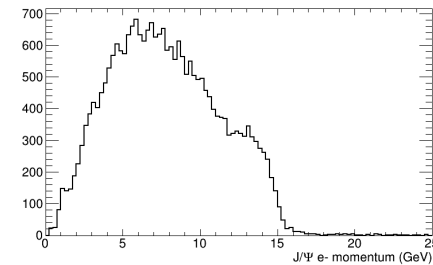
# Full CLAS12 simulation and reconstruction

Use CLAS12 gemc simulation with Run Group A settings, outbending  $e^-$

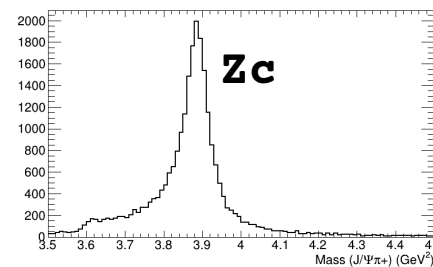
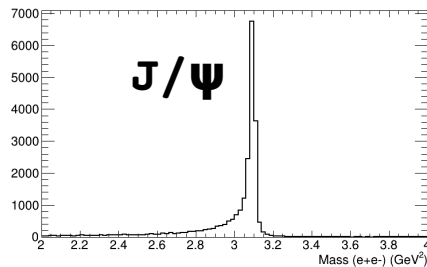
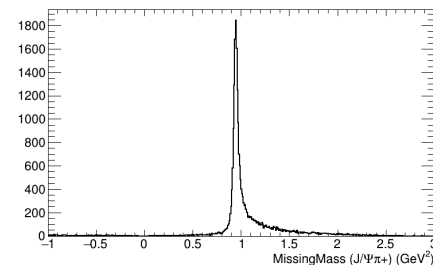
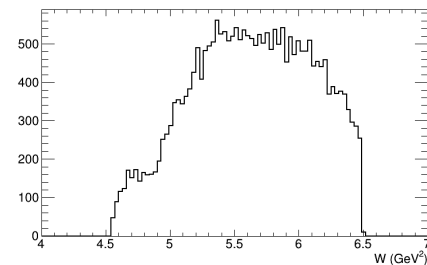
Assume scattered  $e^-$  detected with Toy detector resolutions



$J/\psi e^-$



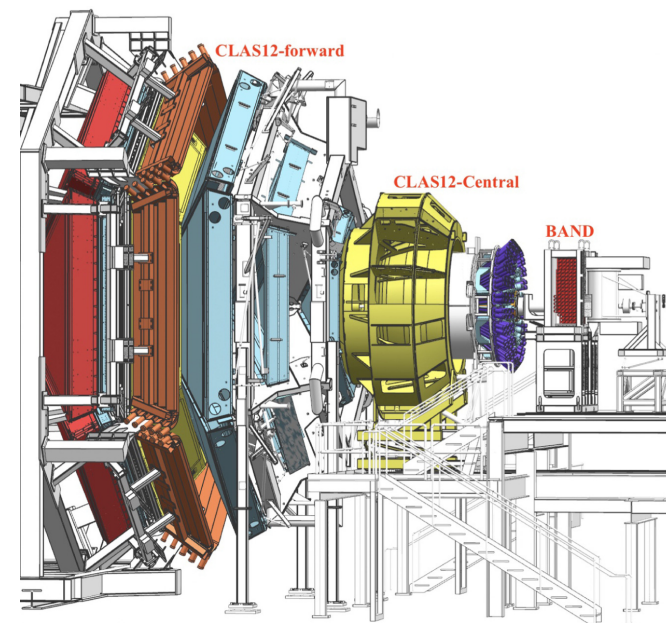
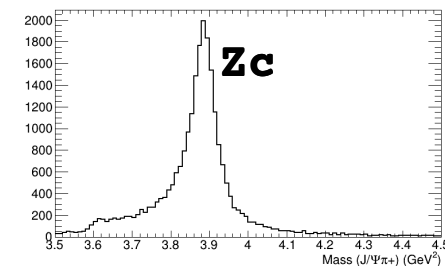
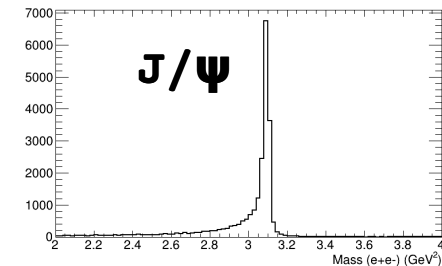
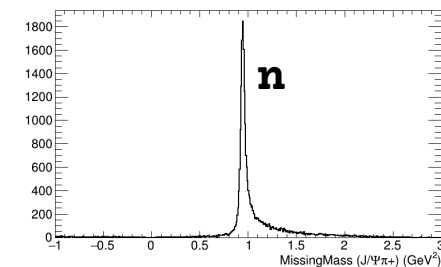
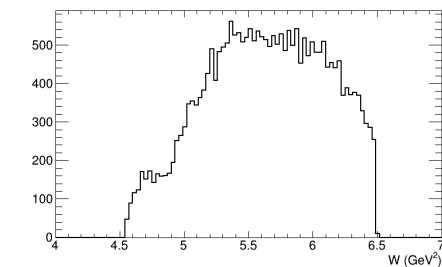
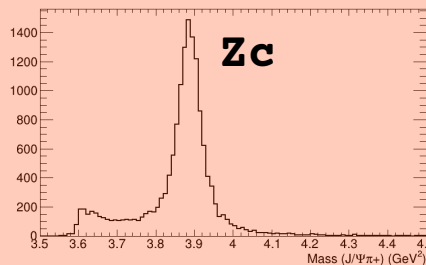
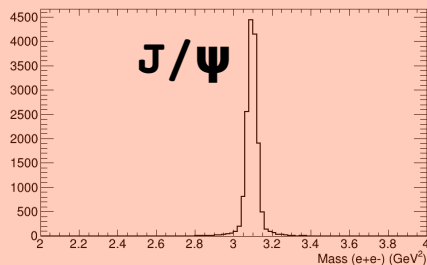
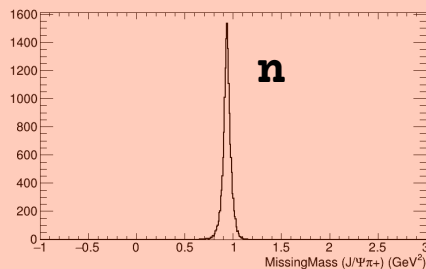
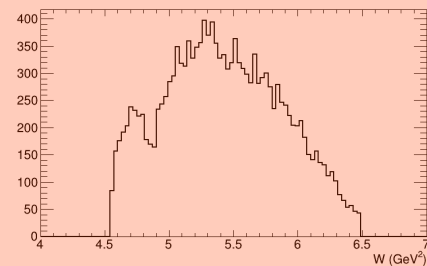
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# Full CLAS12 Compared to Toy

Acceptance > in Full (12%)  
than toy(7%)

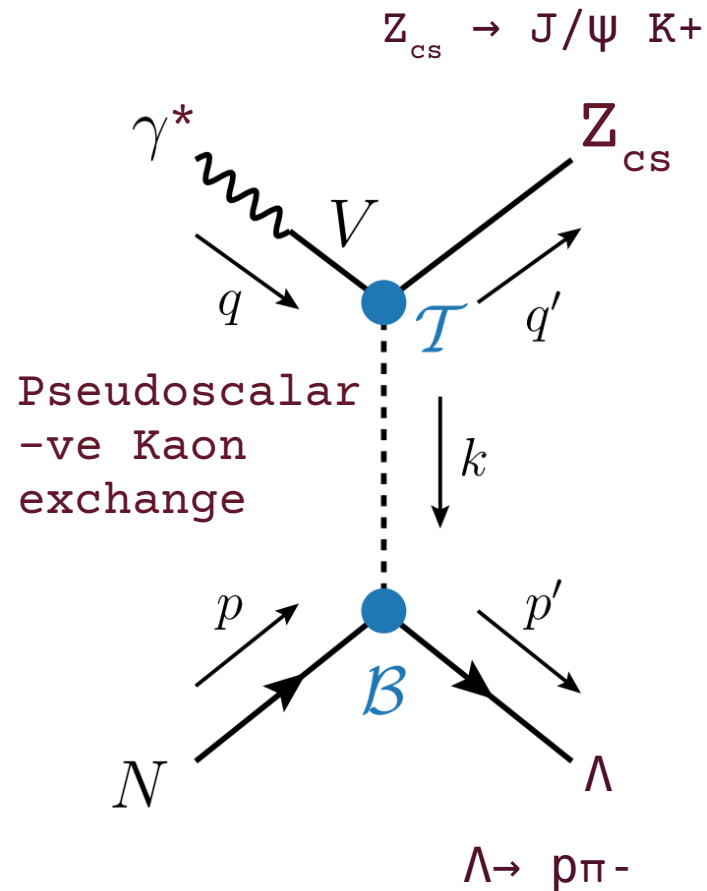
Resolution better in Full,  
But with radiative tails



# $Z_{cs}(4000)$ quasi-real photoproduction

Not “official” JPAC model  
Adapted from jpacPhoto  $Z_c$   
with D. Winney

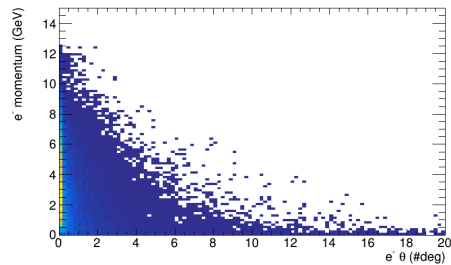
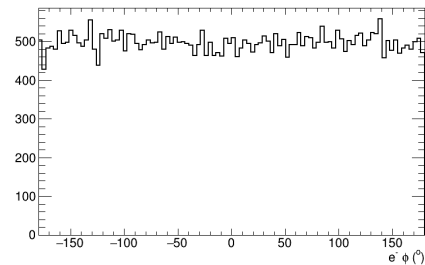
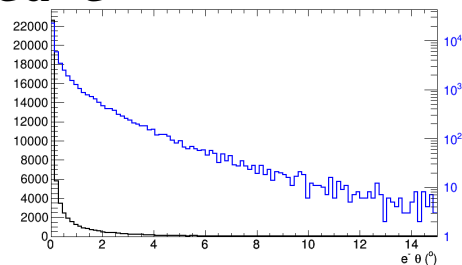
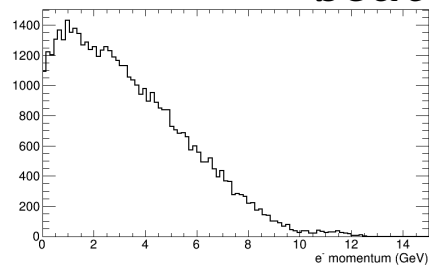
Assuming luminosity  $10^{35} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$   
And 50 days gives 33k events.  
With 24 GeV beam momentum



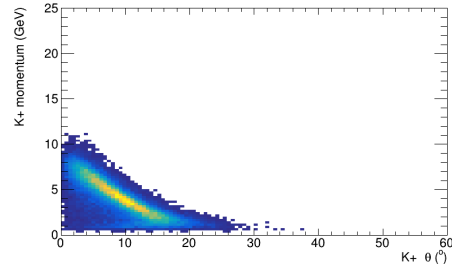
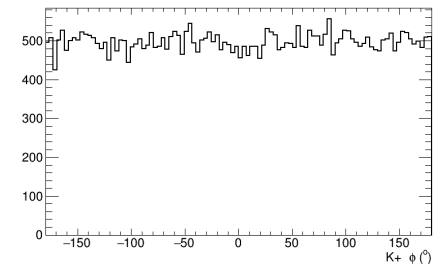
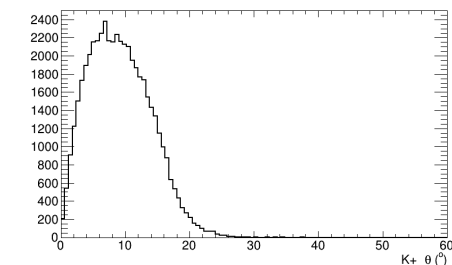
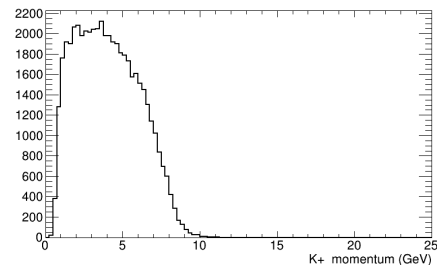
Not yet seen in  $J/\psi \ K^+ \dots$

# $Z_{CS}(4000)$ Particle momentum

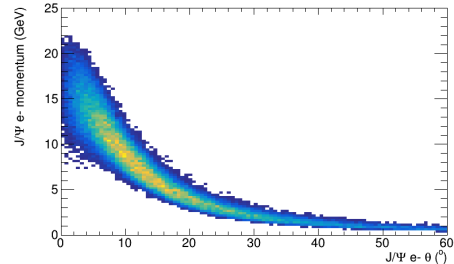
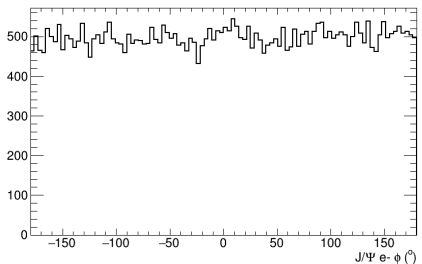
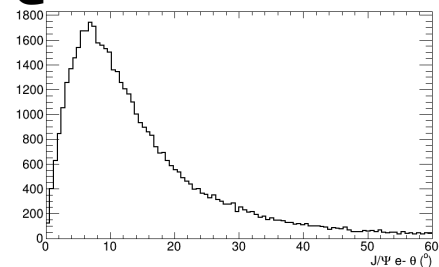
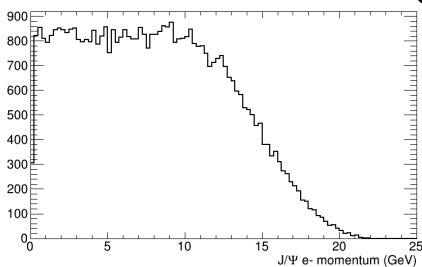
scattered  $e^-$



$K^+$



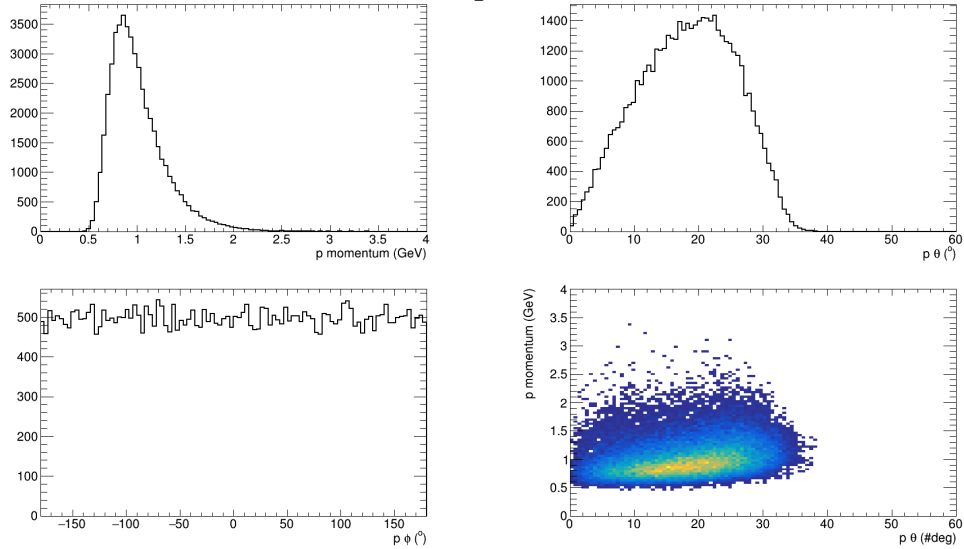
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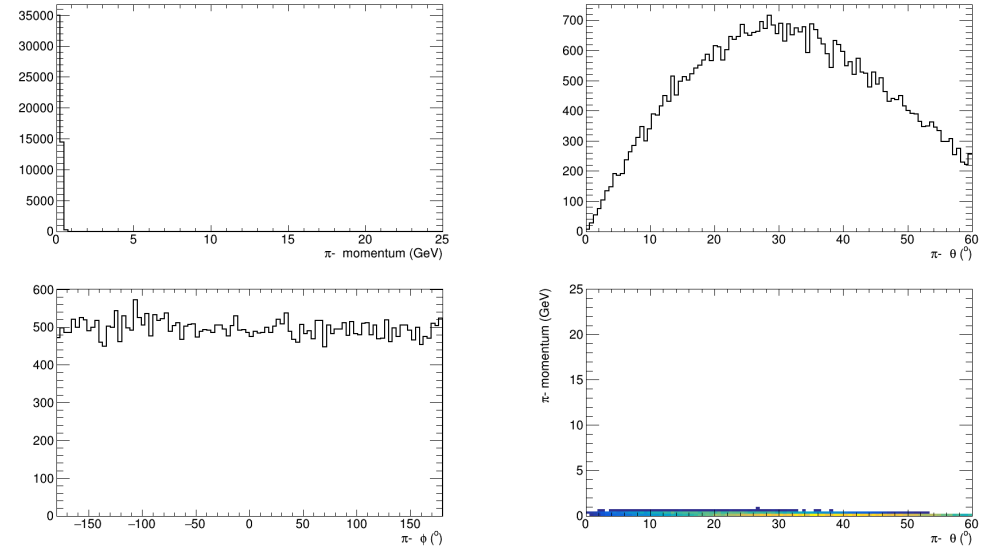
# $Z_{CS}(4000)$ Particle momentum

## $\Lambda$ proton



Protons 1-2 GeV

## $\Lambda$ $\pi^-$



$\Lambda$  Decay pions have very low Momentum  $\sim 0.2$  GeV

# $Z_{cs}$ Kinematics

Total 33,000 events

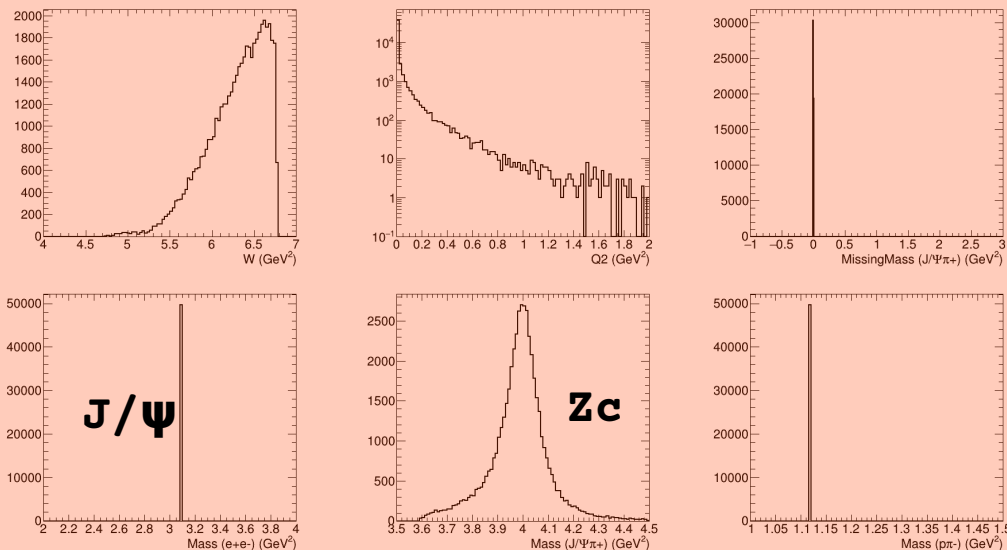
Do not detect  $\pi^-$

High lumi accept = 2% @ all  $e^-$

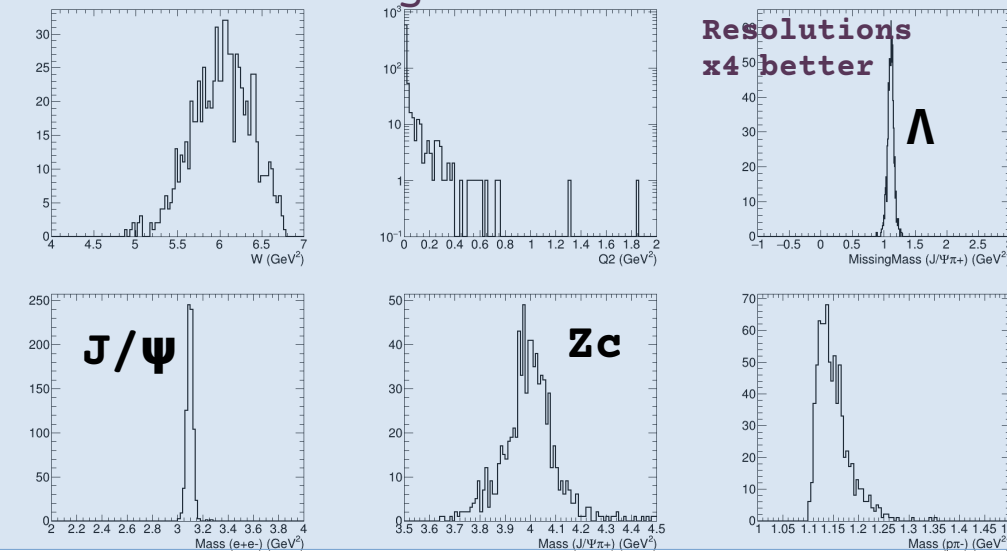
High accept accept = 88% @  $>2^\circ$

High accept accept = 50% @  $>5^\circ$

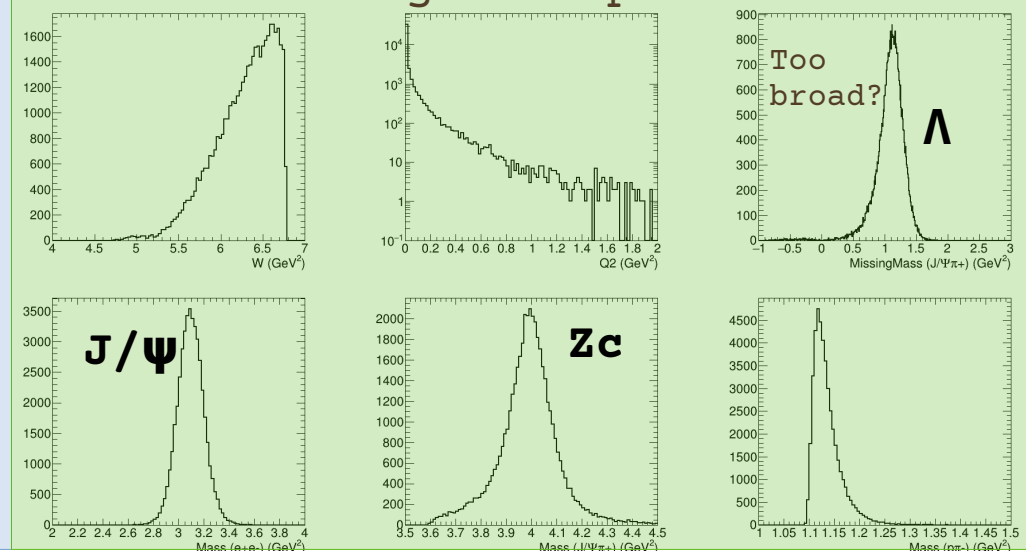
More sensitive to  
Forward detection



High lumi



High accept

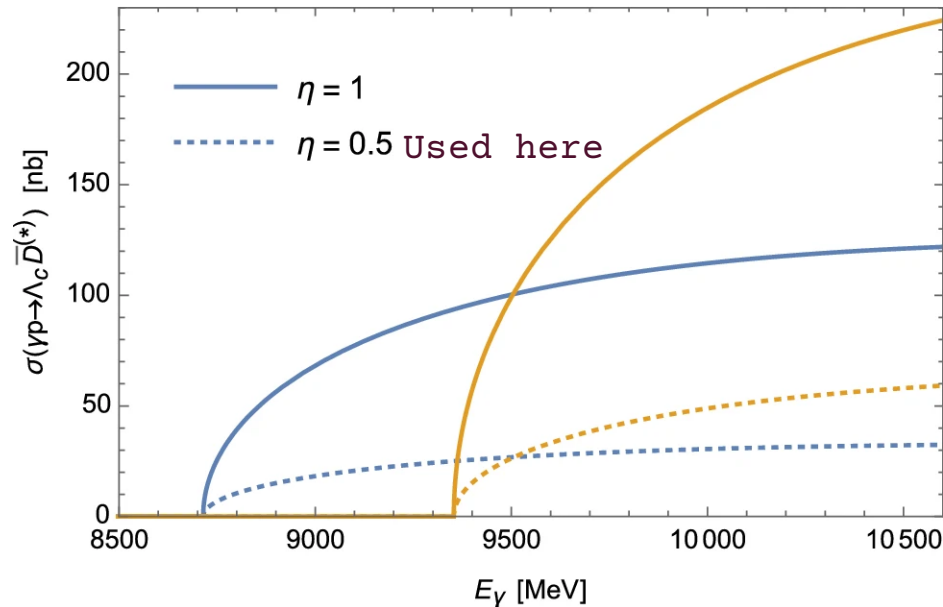


# $D^0\Lambda_c$ quasi-real photoproduction

Deciphering the mechanism of near-threshold  
 $J/\psi$  photoproduction

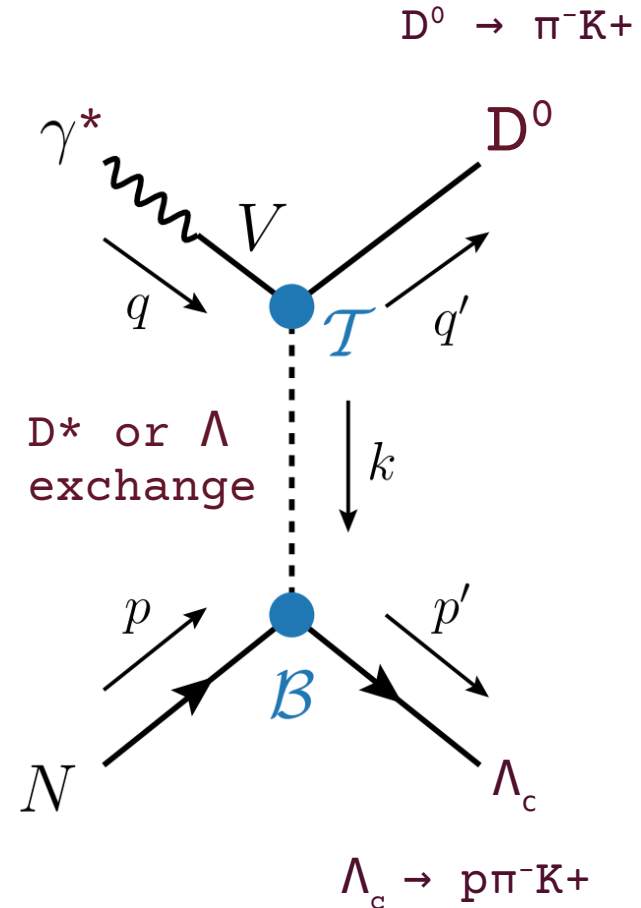
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Assuming luminosity  $10^{35}$   
And 50 days gives 450k events.  
With 22 GeV beam momentum

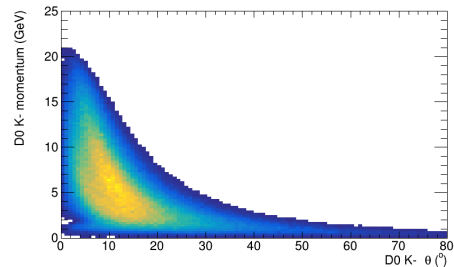
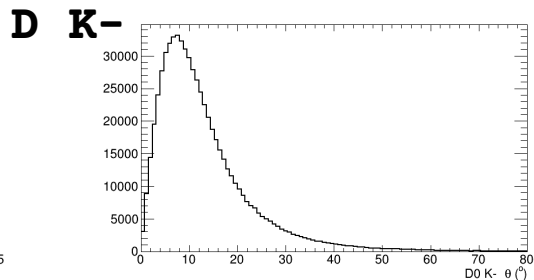
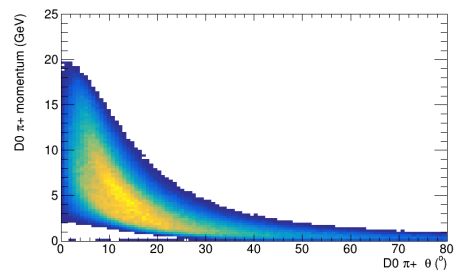
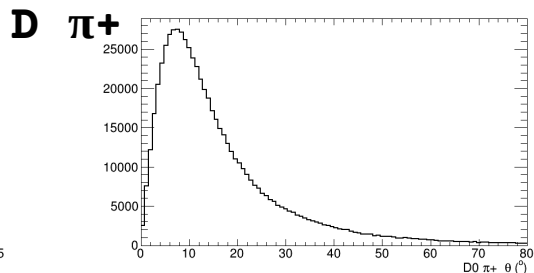
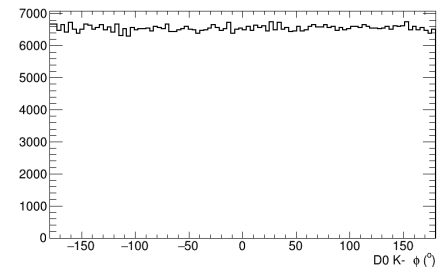
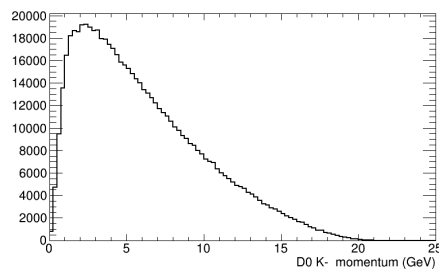
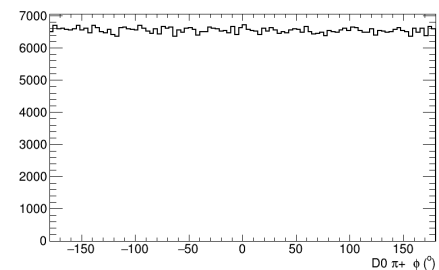
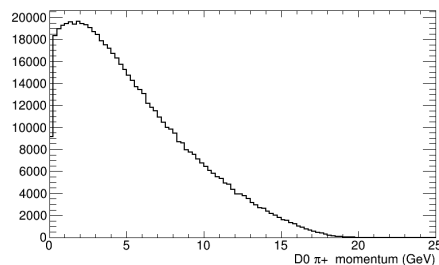
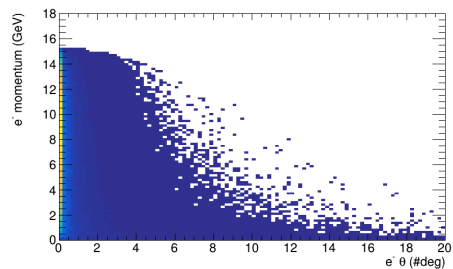
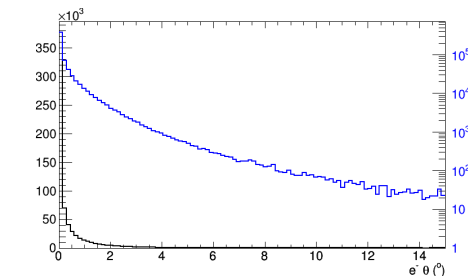
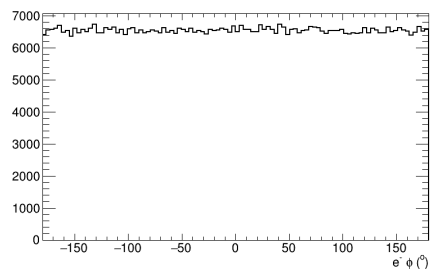
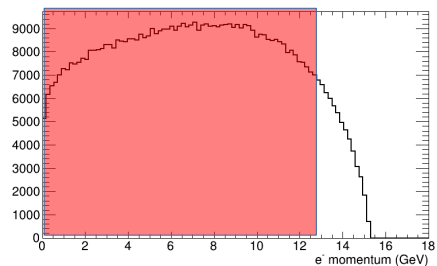
Using jpacPhoto  
implementation



24 GeV!  
Probably not  
Valid for this  
Range  
=>  
Number of events  
Not reliable

# Particle momentum

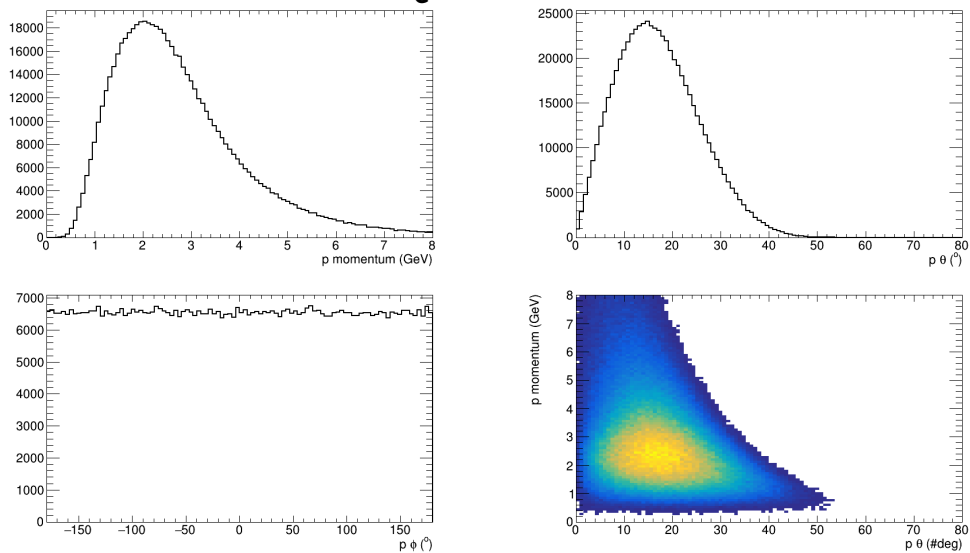
scattered e<sup>-</sup>



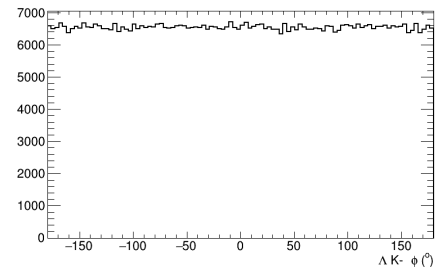
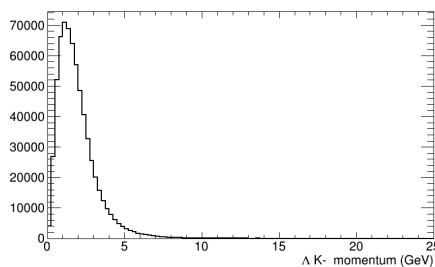
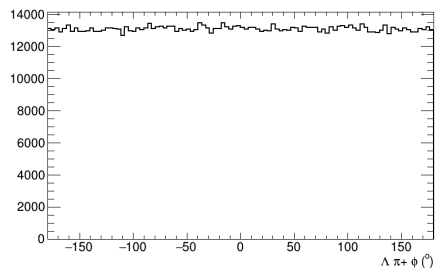
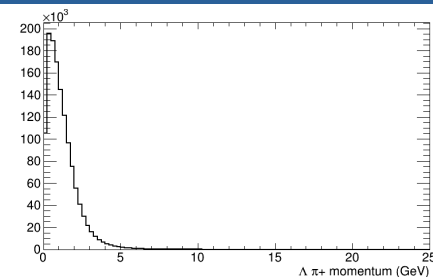
D<sup>0</sup> decay relatively detectable  
Large momenta and angles

# Particle momentum

## $\Lambda_c$ proton

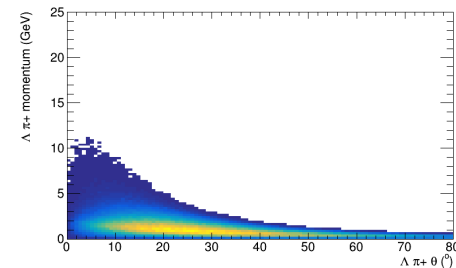
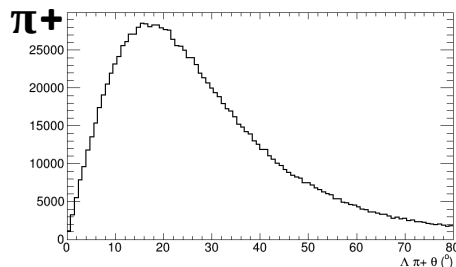


$\Lambda_c$  proton very detectable  
 $K, \pi$  reasonable (lower momentum)



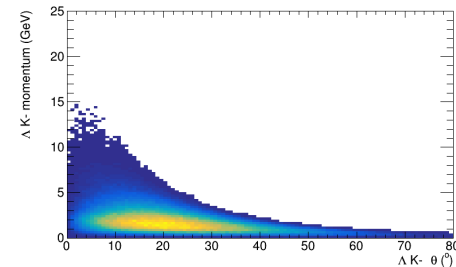
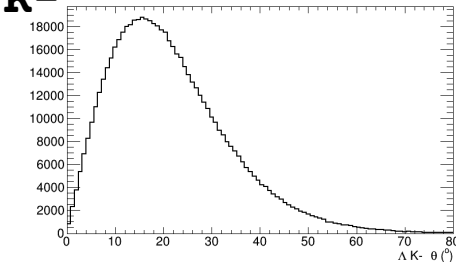
## $\Lambda_c$

### $\pi^+$



## $\Lambda_c$

### $K^-$



# $D^0 \Lambda_c$ Kinematics

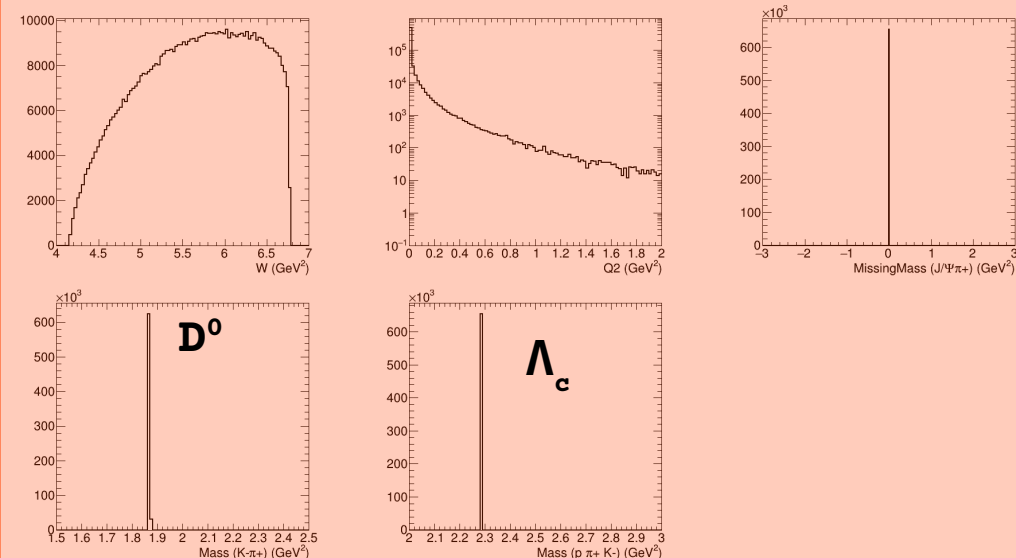
Total 450,000 events

Detect all

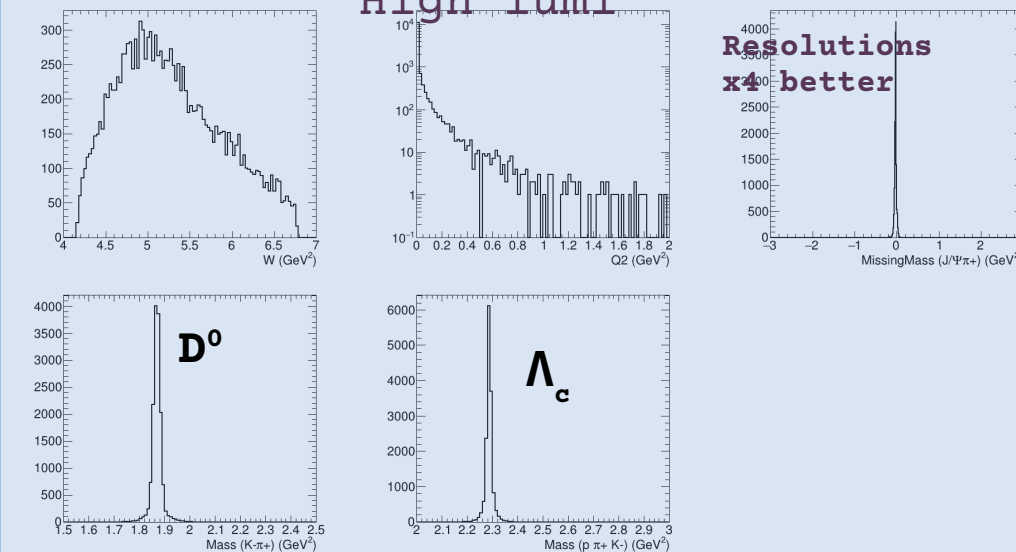
High lumi accept = 2% @ all  $e^-'$

High accept accept = 87% @  $>2^\circ$

= 57% @  $>5^\circ$

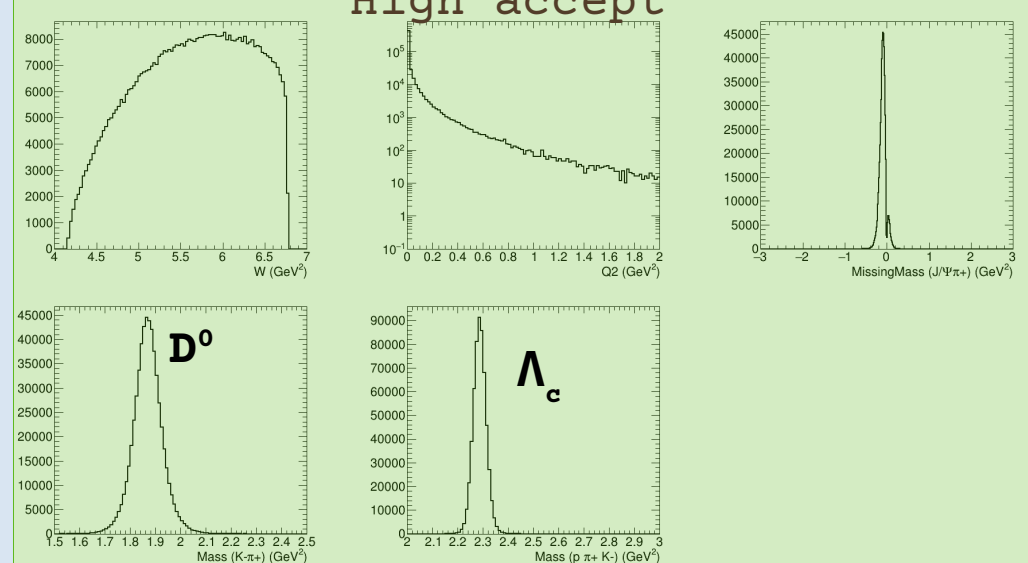


High lumi



Resolutions  
x4 better

High accept



# Possible Luminosities e.g. $Z_c$

## Photoproduction (extrapolate from GlueX)

GlueX early running Jpsi publication  $\sim 5$  weeks  $\rightarrow 70\text{pb}^{-1}$

Higher rate ( $\sim \times 2$ )  $\Rightarrow 140\text{pb}^{-1}$  in 5 weeks, or  $210\text{pb}^{-1}$  in 50 days

Integral bremsstrahlung 10.5-22@22 / 8.5-12 @12  $\sim 2.1$

Hence  $Z_c$  luminosity  $\sim 440\text{pb}^{-1}$  in "50 days"

$$N_\gamma = \frac{d}{X_0} \left[ \frac{4}{3} \ln \left( \frac{k_{\max}}{k_{\min}} \right) - \frac{4(k_{\max} - k_{\min})}{3E} + \frac{k_{\max}^2 - k_{\min}^2}{2E^2} \right].$$

## Low $Q^2$ electroproduction (calculate from model)

$10^{35} \text{ (cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}\text{)}.50(\text{days}).0.013 \sim 5900\text{pb}^{-1}$  in "50 days"

Tagging scattered electron  $>0.5^\circ$

$10^{35} \text{ (cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}\text{)}.50(\text{days}).0.006 \sim 2500\text{pb}^{-1}$  in "50 days"

Tagging scattered electron  $>1^\circ$

$10^{35} \text{ (cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}\text{)}.50(\text{days}).0.005 \sim 2100\text{pb}^{-1}$  in "50 days"

Tagging scattered electron  $>2^\circ$

$10^{35} \text{ (cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}\text{)}.50(\text{days}).0.003 \sim 1300\text{pb}^{-1}$  in "50 days"

Virtual photon  
flux factor

**\*\*5900pb<sup>-1</sup> was used for previous slides, Must scale accordingly!**

# Zero Degree Spectrometer

Can we tag electrons with very low scattering angles and very high flux?

→ e.g. downstream Dipole magnet with calorimeter and/or tracking

→ measure electron momentum,  $\theta$  and  $\Phi$

→  $\Phi$  important as gives scattering plane => linear polarisation

Scattering angle needs to be outwith beam divergence

need to separate from Moeller and Bremsstrahlung backgrounds

Only need to detect  $e^-$  below half beam energy (approximately)

Similar to EIC low  $Q^2$  tagger projects

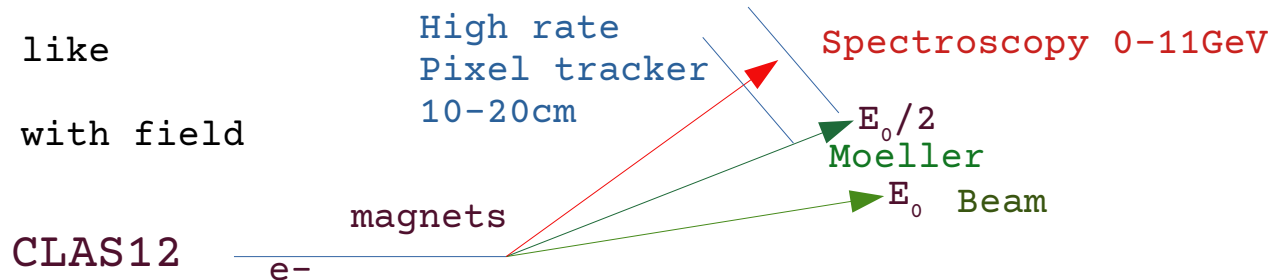
e.g. Glasgow investigating Timepix pixel detectors

Could something like

This work ?

Could be issues with field

Uniformity etc.



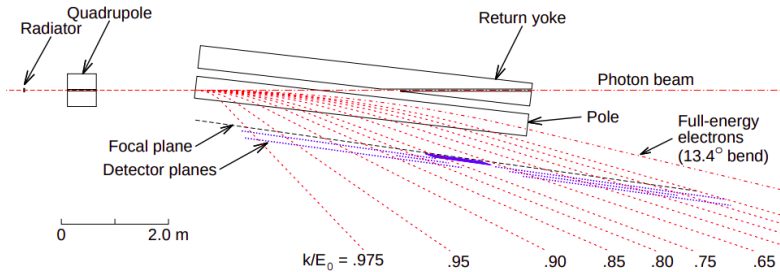
See also Volker Burkert presentation



# Hall D photon tagger

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0168900220312043?via%3Dihub>

## The GLUEX Beamline and Detector



Photons 25-97% of  $E_{\text{beam}}$  @12GeV

=> 3-11.6 GeV for  $E_{\gamma}$

=> 0.36-9 GeV for  $E_{e^-}$

=> 15-23.6 GeV for  $E_{\gamma}$  @24GeV

Increase field 1.5→1.75T

=>13.5-23.6 GeV for  $E_{\gamma}$  @24GeV

Using Hall D tagger at 24 GeV would require significant modifications to beamline and beamdump, if possible at all.

However the magnet as stands would cover very interesting region for charmonium like spectroscopy  $E_{\gamma} > 13$  GeV

Limiting factor may be rates on small angle hadron detectors and tagger focal plane detectors ? I do not know

-but do not need angle coverage to  $1^\circ$ ...

-perhaps can use more modern high rate detector components

# Cross section and channel rate estimates

$\sigma$  is equivalent average photoproduction cross section from threshold to 22GeV

Number per day based  
On  $10^{35} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$  lumi.

Branching ratios

$X \rightarrow J/\psi \pi \pi$  ~5%

$Y \rightarrow J/\psi \pi \pi$  ~1%

$Z_c \rightarrow J/\psi \pi$  ~10%

$Z_{cs} \rightarrow J/\psi K$  ~10%

$J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$  ~6%

$D^0 \rightarrow K \pi$  ~4%

$\Lambda_c \rightarrow p K \pi$  ~6.3%

$\Lambda \rightarrow p \pi$  ~67%

| meson           | $\sigma$ (nb) | total branch ratio | #/day |
|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|-------|
| $J/\psi$        | 1.9           | 6%                 | 21000 |
| $X(3872)$       | 12            | 0.3%               | 3800  |
| $Y(4260)$       | 0.7           | 0.06%              | 33    |
| $Z_c(3900)$     | 5.1           | 0.6%               | 4200  |
| $Z_{cs}(4000)$  | 1             | 0.4%               | 440   |
| $D^0 \Lambda_c$ | 100           | 0.25%              | 42000 |

# Summary

Have shown initial investigation into spectroscopy with charm quarks at a possible energy upgraded Jlab

Event rates and kinematics overall look very promising

Existing detector systems may already be suitable for such measurements

Some modifications and addition of new technologies should be investigated for increasing rate capabilities

Supplementing the acceptance of CLAS12 detector could also improve Efficiency significantly

Combination of charm spectroscopy and new technologies make this a very exciting opportunity to pursue.

