

Longitudinal Spin Transfer to Λ^0 Hyperons in CLAS12

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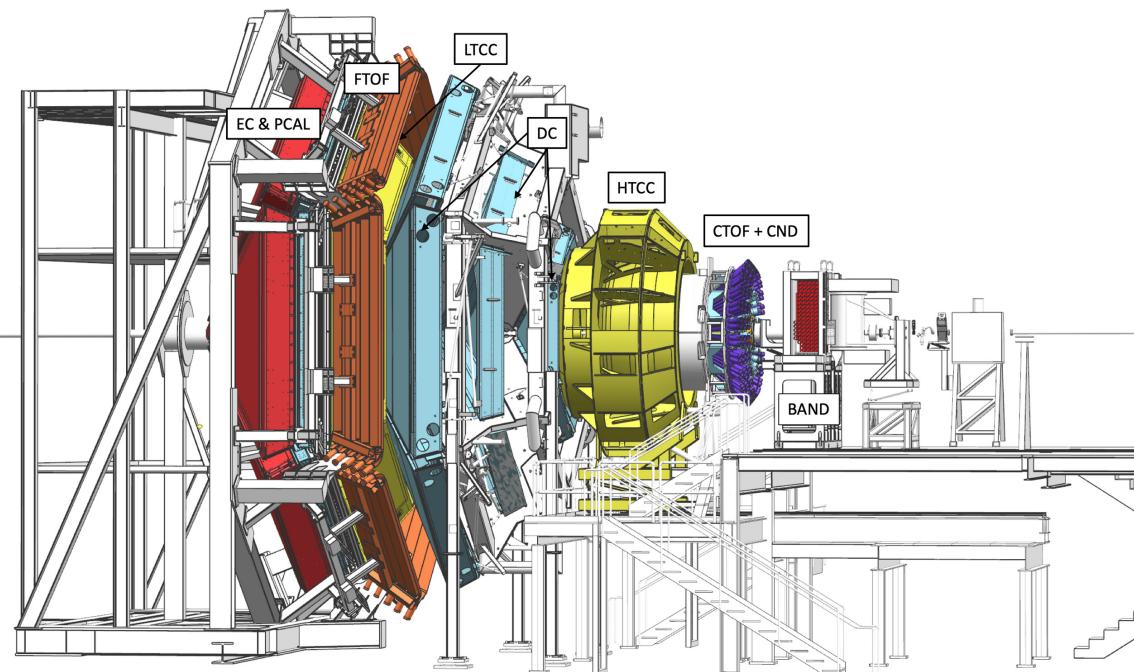
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The CLAS12 Experiment



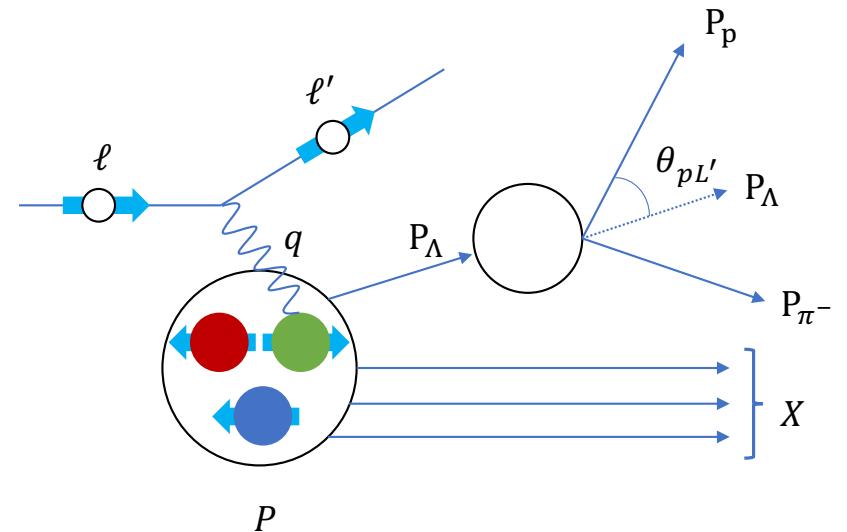
V. Burkert et al., The CLAS12 Spectrometer at Jefferson Laboratory, NIM A, January 2020

- Central Detector
 - Solenoid
 - Silicon Vertex Tracker
 - Central TOF Detector
 - Central Neutron Detector
- Forward Detector:
 - Torus Magnet
 - Drift Chambers
 - Forward TOF Detector
 - Calorimeters (ECAL and PCAL)
 - Cherenkov Counters
- Data Set:
 - Fall 2018 RGA Run Period
 - Unpolarized LH₂ Target
 - 10.6 GeV beam with 86% polarization
 - Outbending torus

Spin Transfer

- Previous experiments (HERMES, NOMAD) observed small light quark spin transfer to Λ
- Λ spin transfer is easily accessible:

$$\frac{dN}{d\Omega_p} \propto 1 + \alpha P_b D(y) D_{LL'}^\Lambda \cos \theta_{pL'}$$

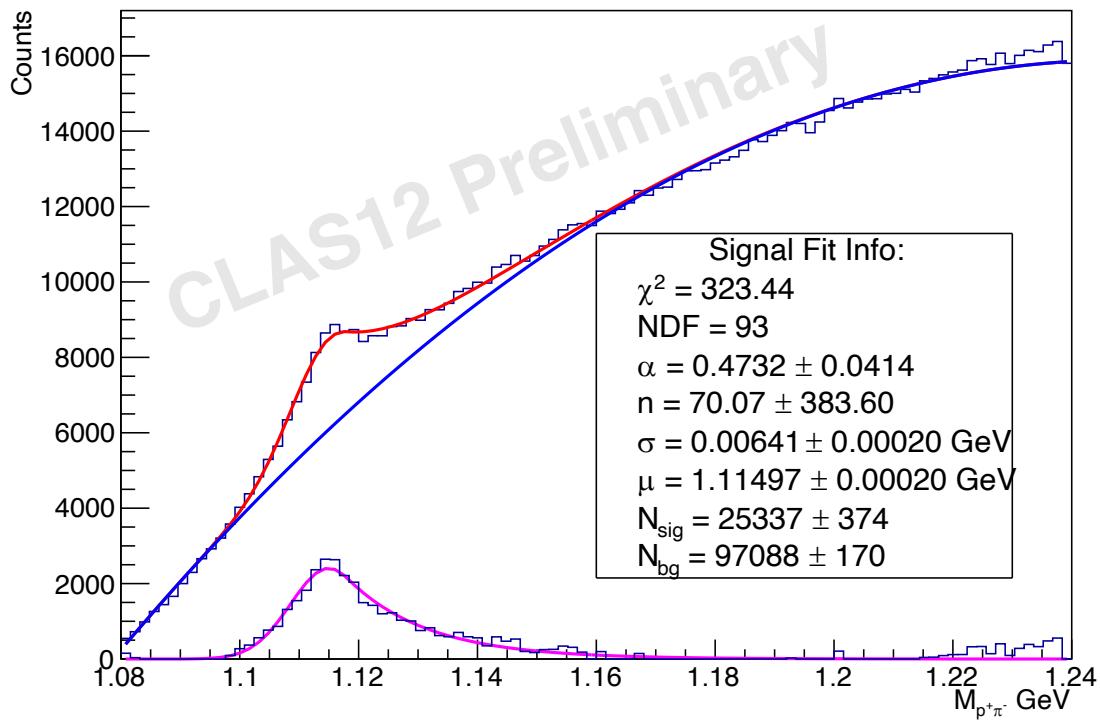


- Strong u -quark dominance in e^- DIS so

$$D_{LL'}^\Lambda(z) \approx D_{LL',u}^\Lambda(z)$$

Invariant Mass Signal

Λ^0 Mass



Standard SIDIS cuts:

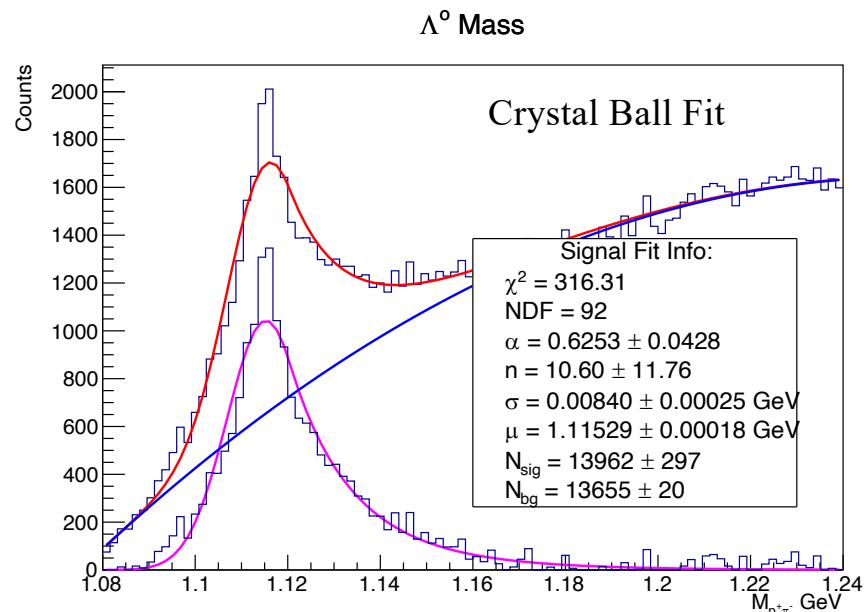
$Q^2 > 1$ & $W > 2$ & $y < 0.8$ & $x_F > 0$ & $z < 1$

Also require identified $p^+\pi^-$ and scattered e^-

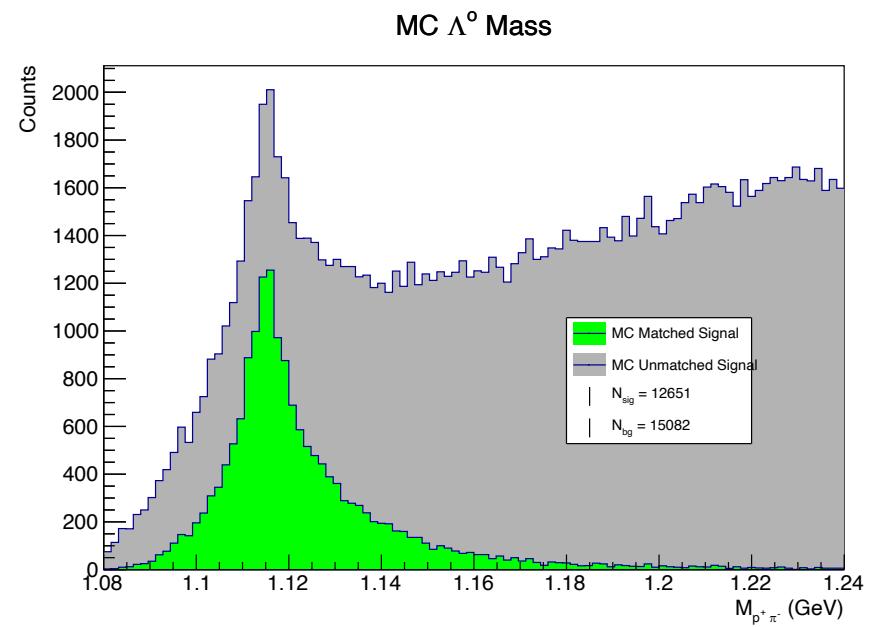
Crystal Ball Fit Function:

$$CB(M; \alpha, n, \mu, \sigma) = N \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{(m-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right), \frac{m-\mu}{\sigma} > -\alpha$$
$$= N \cdot A \left(B - \frac{m-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^{-n}, \frac{m-\mu}{\sigma} < -\alpha$$

MC: Comparison with Truth-Matched Signal



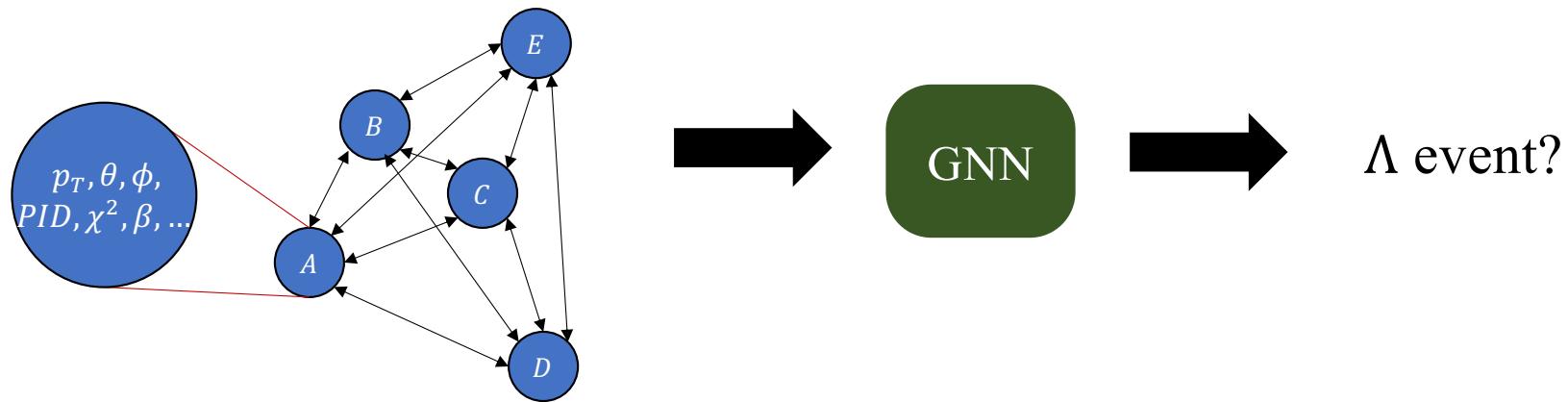
$Q^2 > 1 \& W > 2 \& y < 0.8 \& x_F > 0 \& z < 1$
 and positive $p^+\pi^-$ PID and scattered e^-
 (positive PID, $|\chi^2| < 3$, greatest momentum) required



Truth Matching:
 Require a MC truth Λ in event with
 $|P_{\text{Rec}}^\Lambda - P_{\text{MC}}^\Lambda| < 0.1 \text{ GeV}$

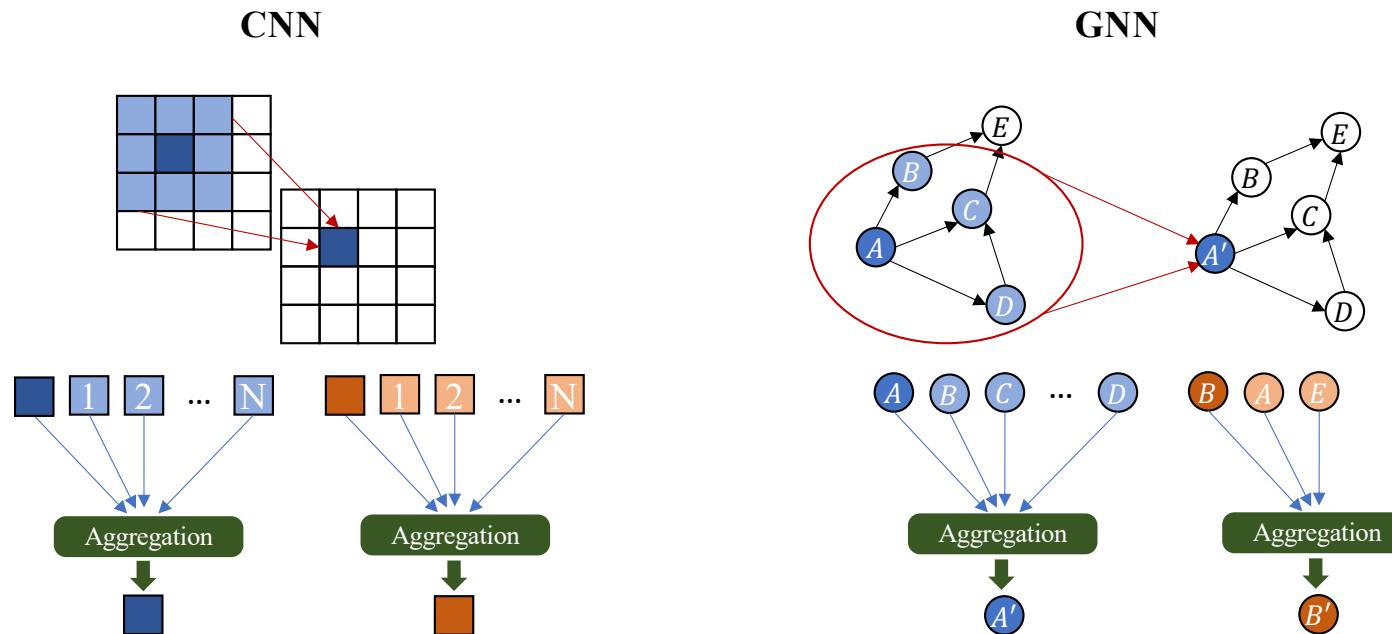
Graph Neural Networks (GNNs)

- **Idea:** use GNN to reduce background in invariant mass spectrum on event-by-event basis
- Pass each event as fully-connected, bidirectional graph
- Each particle is a node with its own data: p_T, θ, ϕ , etc.



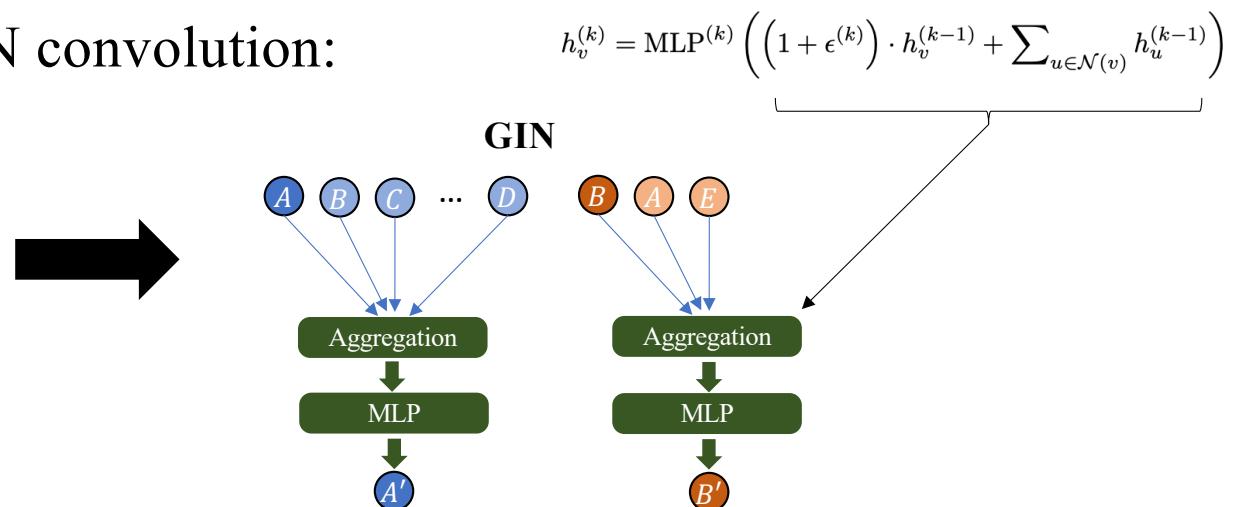
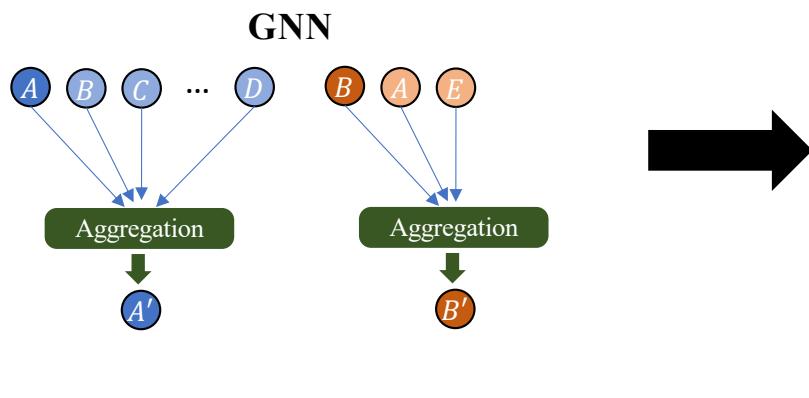
Graph Neural Networks (GNNs)

- At basic level, function as generalized form of CNNs



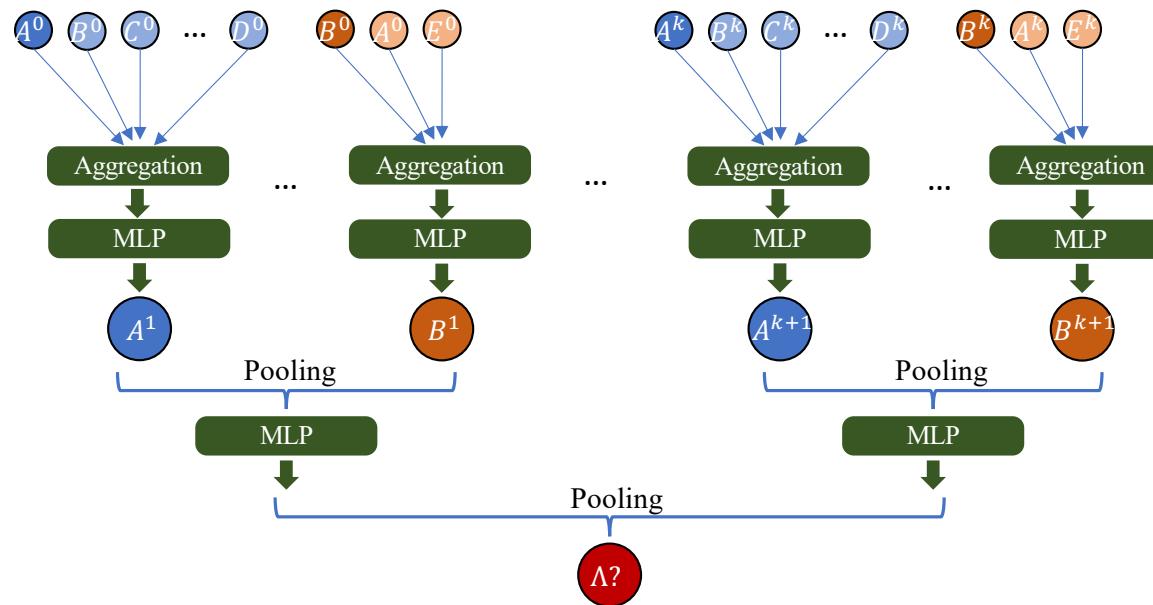
Graph Isomorphism Network (GIN)

- Similar to Weisfeiler-Lehman (WL) Test, essentially ensures aggregation is injective
- Compare with basic GNN convolution:



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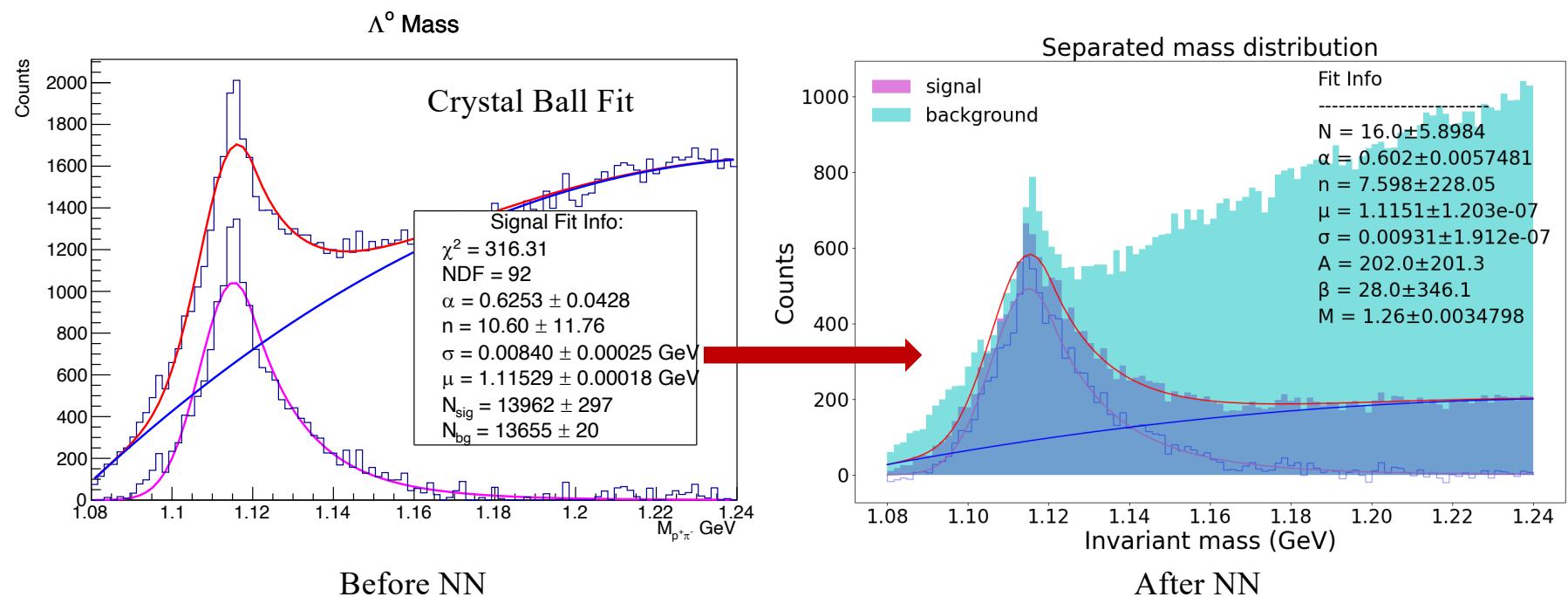
- Aggregation in final layer is across all previous layers/iterations



Implementation

- GIN: 5 layers, with 3-layer MLPs, Max pooling
- Dataset: Out-bending MC ~96k events with 50% Λ events, 75/25 training validation split, $p^+\pi^-$ mass $\in (1.10, 1.13)$ GeV
- Particle features: $\Delta \widehat{p}_T$, $\Delta \widehat{\phi}$, $\Delta \widehat{\theta}$, β , χ^2 , PID, status/1000
- Edge features: $\Delta \widehat{p}_T{}_{ij}$, $\Delta \widehat{\phi}_{ij}$, $\Delta \widehat{\theta}_{ij}$ (Not used yet)
- Run for ~ 100 epochs on Duke Compute Cluster GPUs (CUDA 11.4)

MC Invariant Mass



Before NN

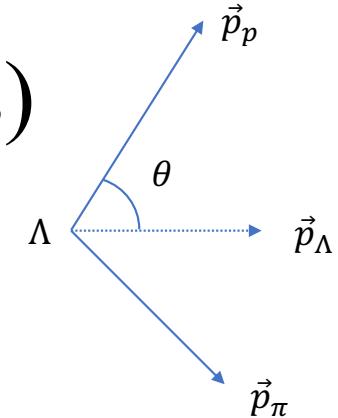
After NN

85% test accuracy and background is significantly reduced!

Experimental Extraction (no GNNs)

- Choices for Λ spin quantization axis
 - Axis 1: along Λ momentum
 - Axis 2: along the virtual photon momentum in Λ rest frame
- Helicity balance method extracts on event-by-event basis:

$$D_{LL'}^{\Lambda} = \frac{1}{\alpha P_b^2} \cdot \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_\Lambda} P_{b,i} D(y_i) \cos \theta_{pL'}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_\Lambda} D^2(y_i) \cos^2 \theta_{pL'}^i}$$

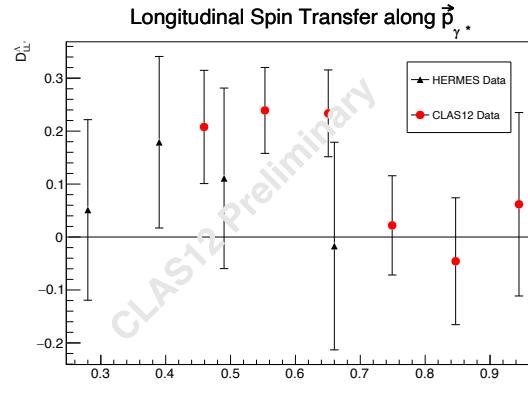
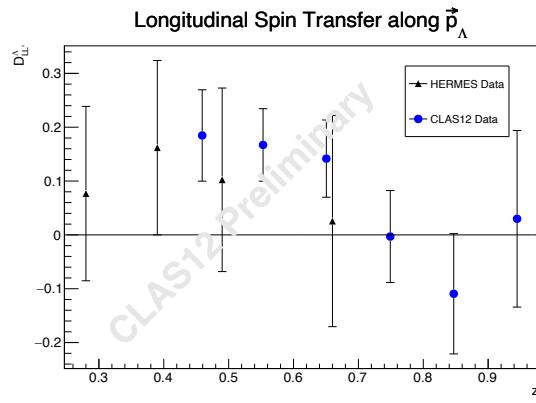


- Linear fit method looks at the $\cos \theta$ distributions, however this requires acceptance correction.

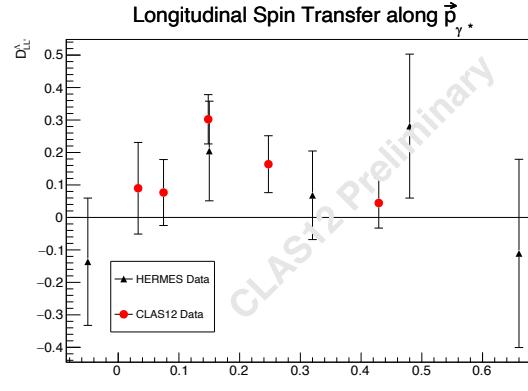
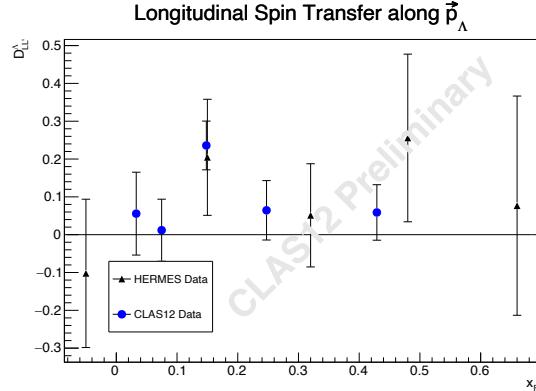
Helicity Balance Results

$$D_{LL}^{\Lambda} = \frac{D_{LLpeak} - \epsilon D_{LLbg}}{1 - \epsilon}$$

VS. Z



VS. x_F



Note: errors are solely statistical

HERMES Results from:
A. Airapetian, et al. Physical
Review D, 74(7), Oct 2006.

Summary

- Kinematically averaged $D_{LL'}$ results:

$\cos \theta_{pL'} \text{ along } \vec{p}_\Lambda$	$\cos \theta_{pL'} \text{ along } \vec{p}_\gamma$
0.0618 ± 0.0963	0.118 ± 0.107

- Consistent with HERMES ($D_{LL'} = 0.11 \pm 0.10(\text{stat}) \pm 0.03(\text{syst})$) and NOMAD ($-P_\Lambda^\nu = 0.09 \pm 0.06 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (syst)}$) results
- **Next steps:**
 - Improve GNN performance
 - Transverse spin transfer measurement
 - ΛK spin correlations

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