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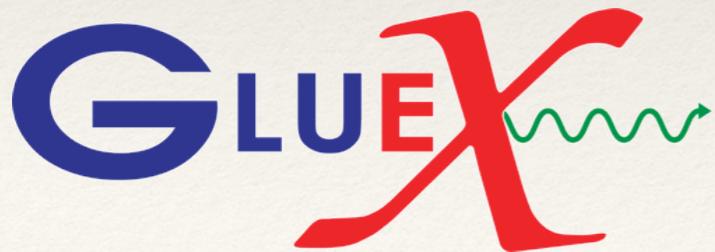
Hadron spectroscopy at GlueX



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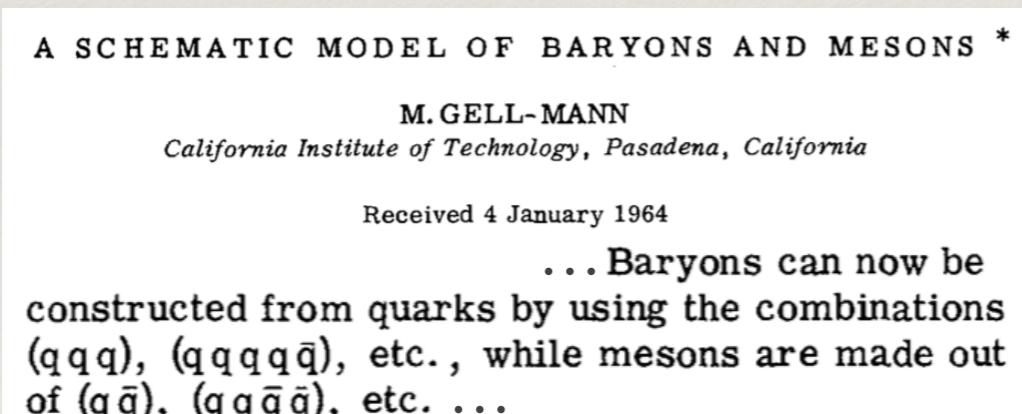
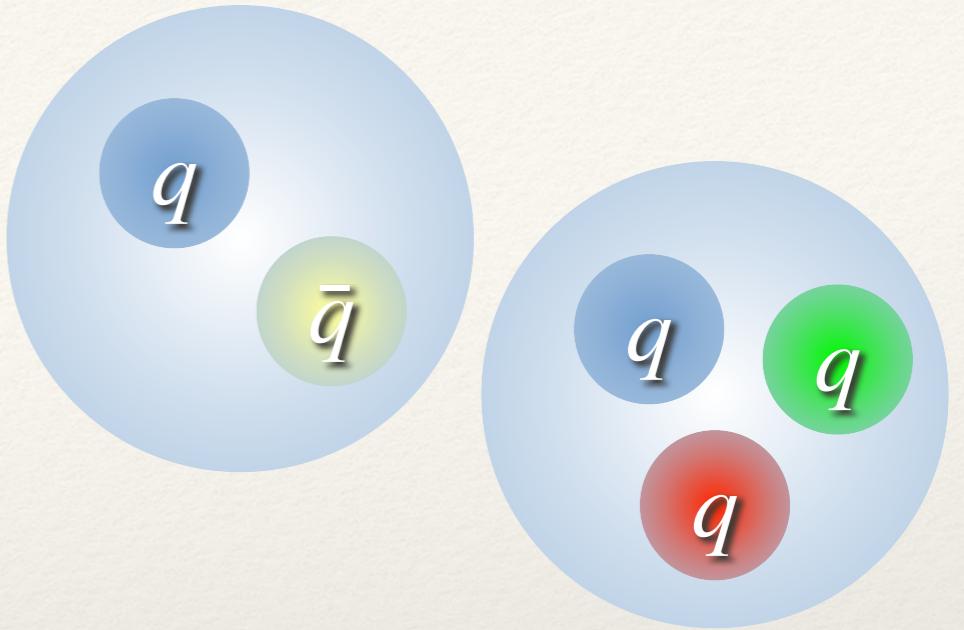
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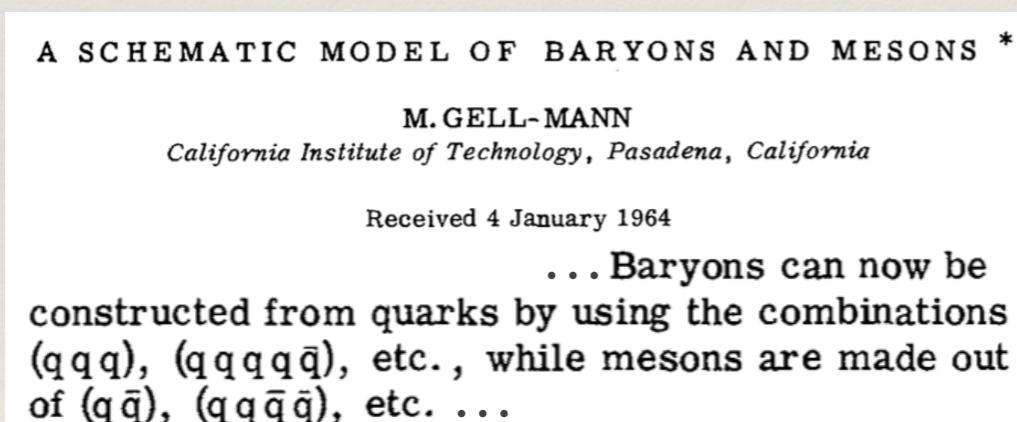


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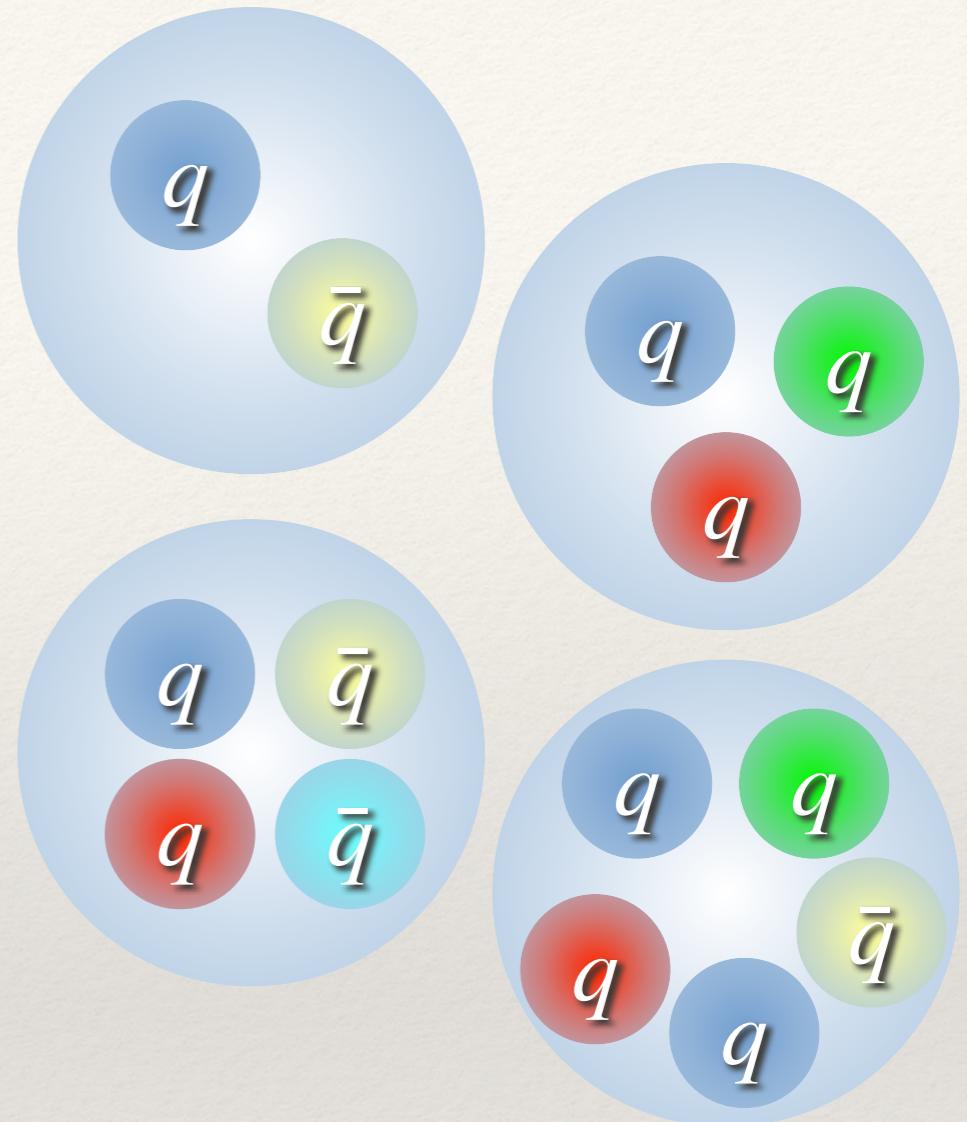
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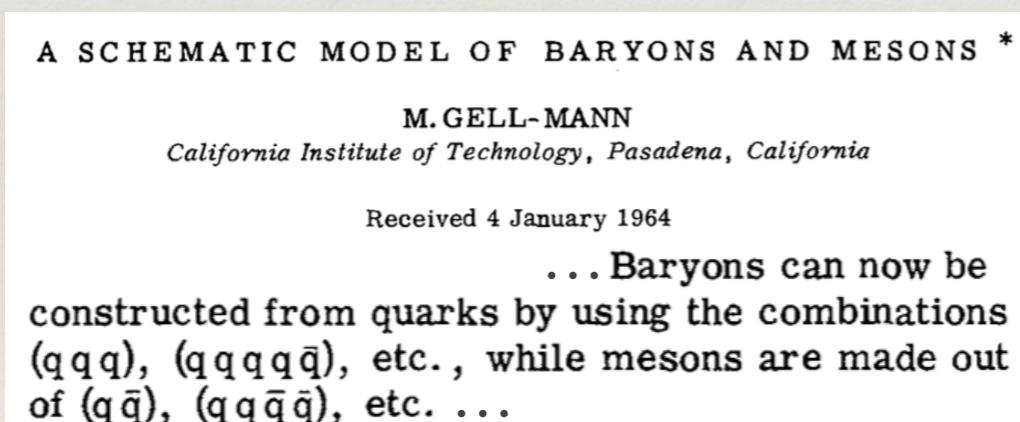
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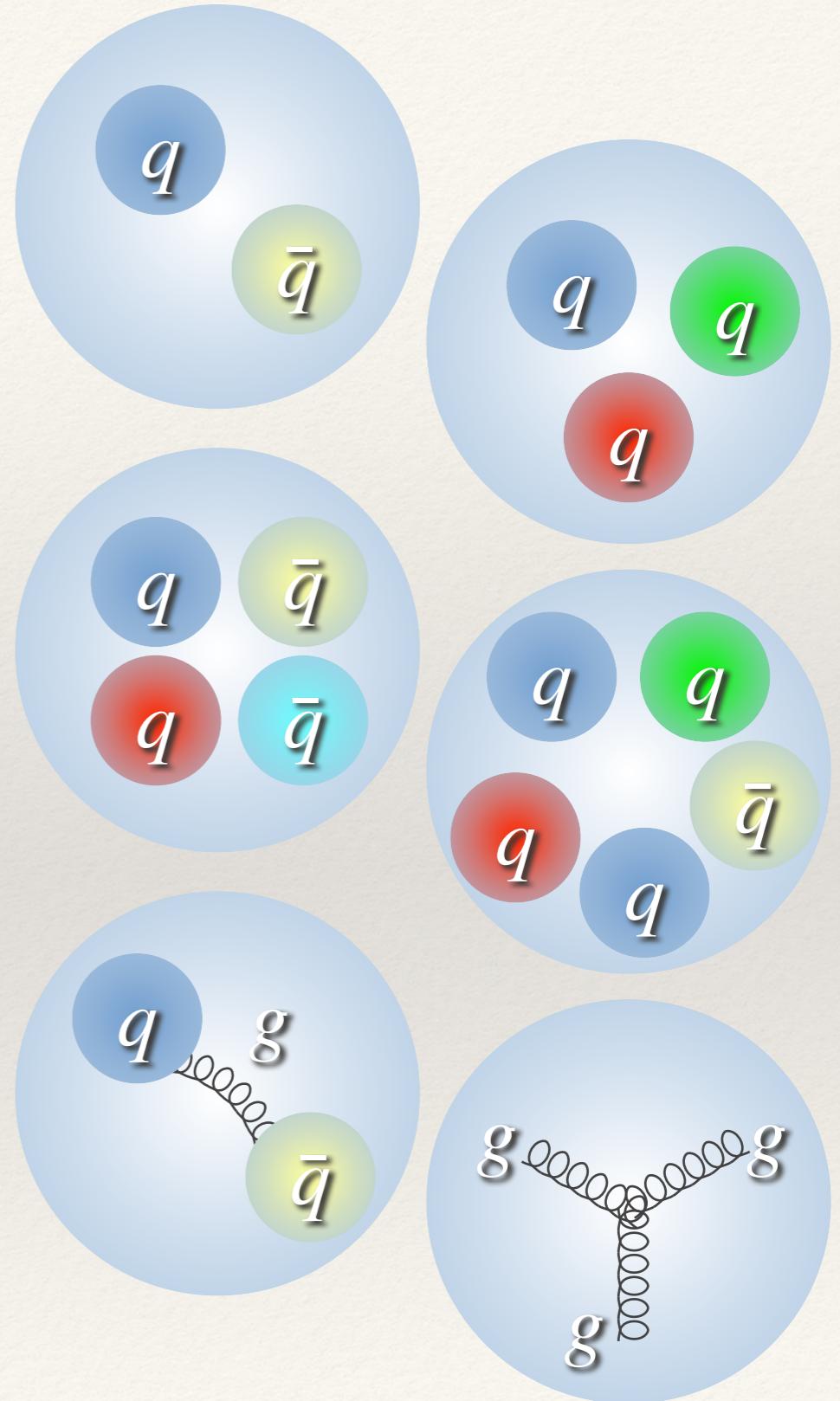
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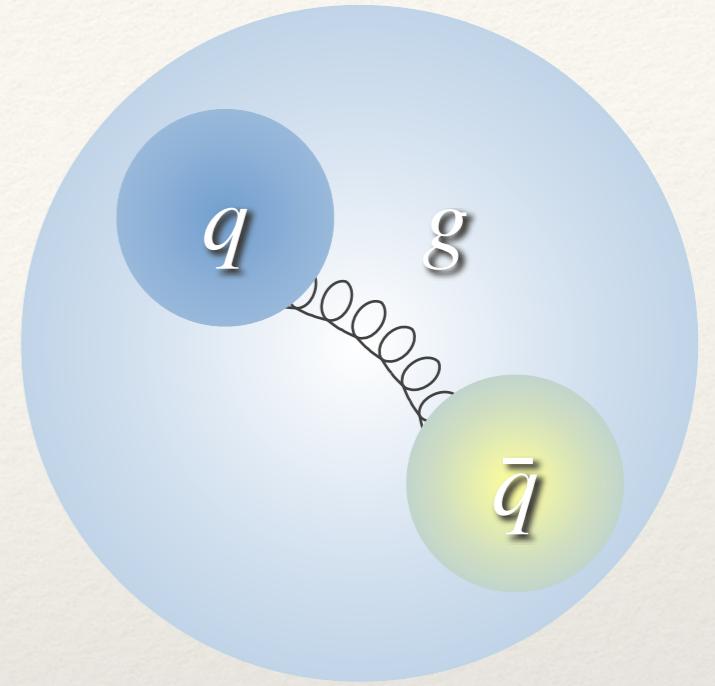
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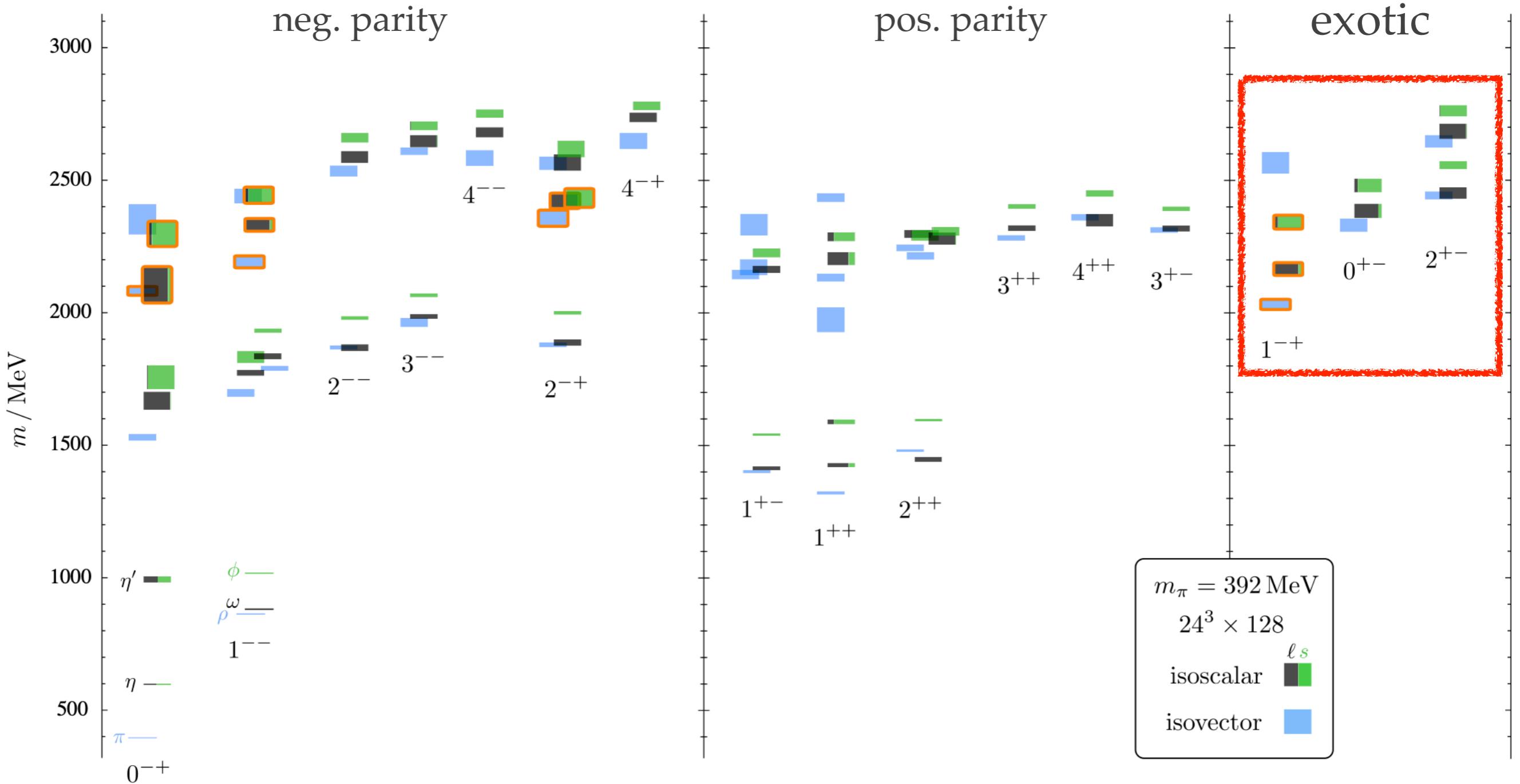
Hybrid mesons

- ❖ main objective for GlueX:
Search and study of hybrid mesons
- ❖ In quark model:
 $\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$, $P = (-1)^{L+1}$, $C = (-1)^{L+S}$
 \rightarrow not allowed:
 $J^{PC} = 0^{--}, 0^{+-}, 1^{-+}, 2^{+-}, \dots$
- ❖ “Exotic” quantum numbers are “smoking gun” for something not being pure $q\bar{q}$



Light quark mesons from lattice QCD

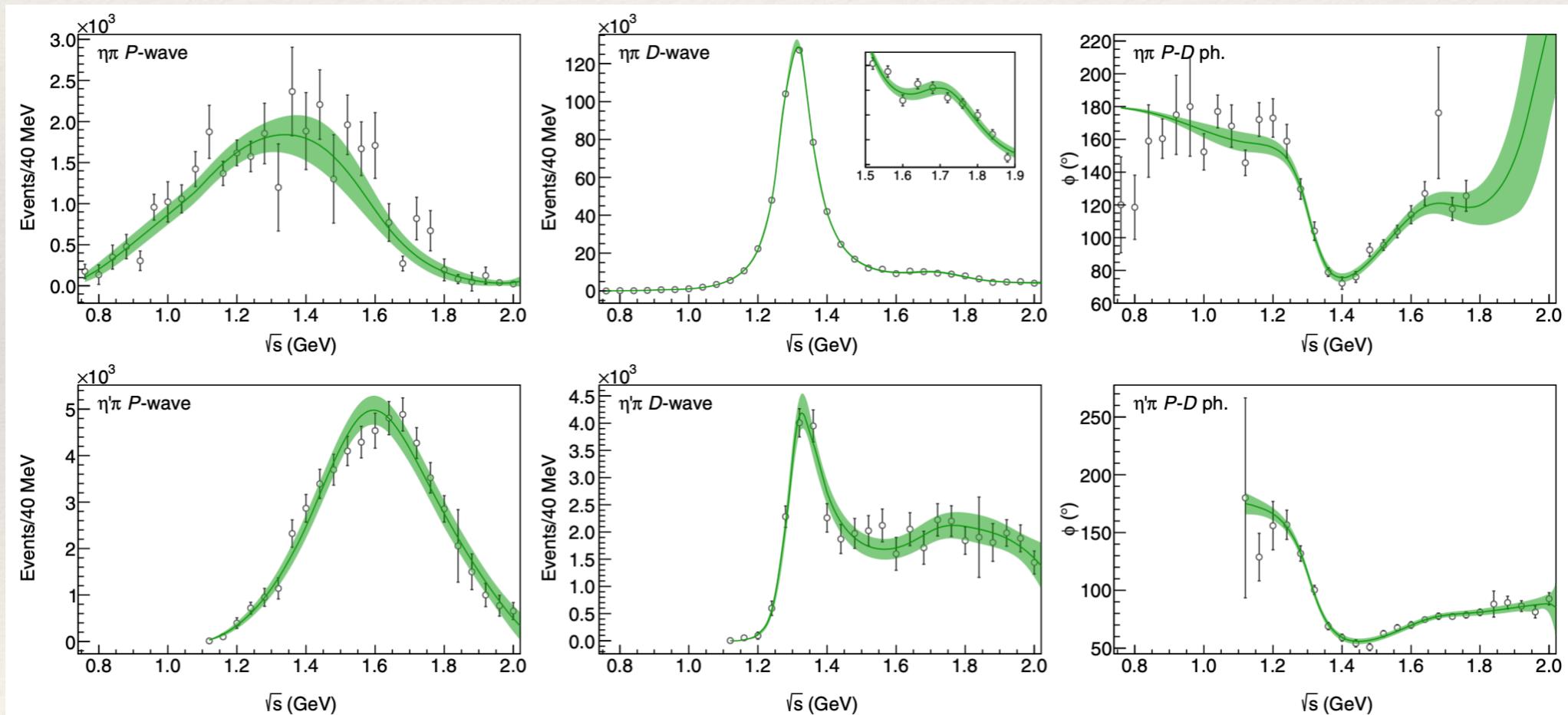
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hadspec, Phys. Rev. D 88, 094505

Hybrid mesons - evidence

- ❖ Experimental evidence for a 1^{-+} :
 - ❖ $\pi_1(1400)$: GAMS, VES, E852, CBAR, COMPASS
 - ❖ $\pi_1(1600)$: VES, E852, COMPASS
- ❖ JPAC coupled channel fit to $\eta\pi$ and $\eta'\pi$ data from COMPASS

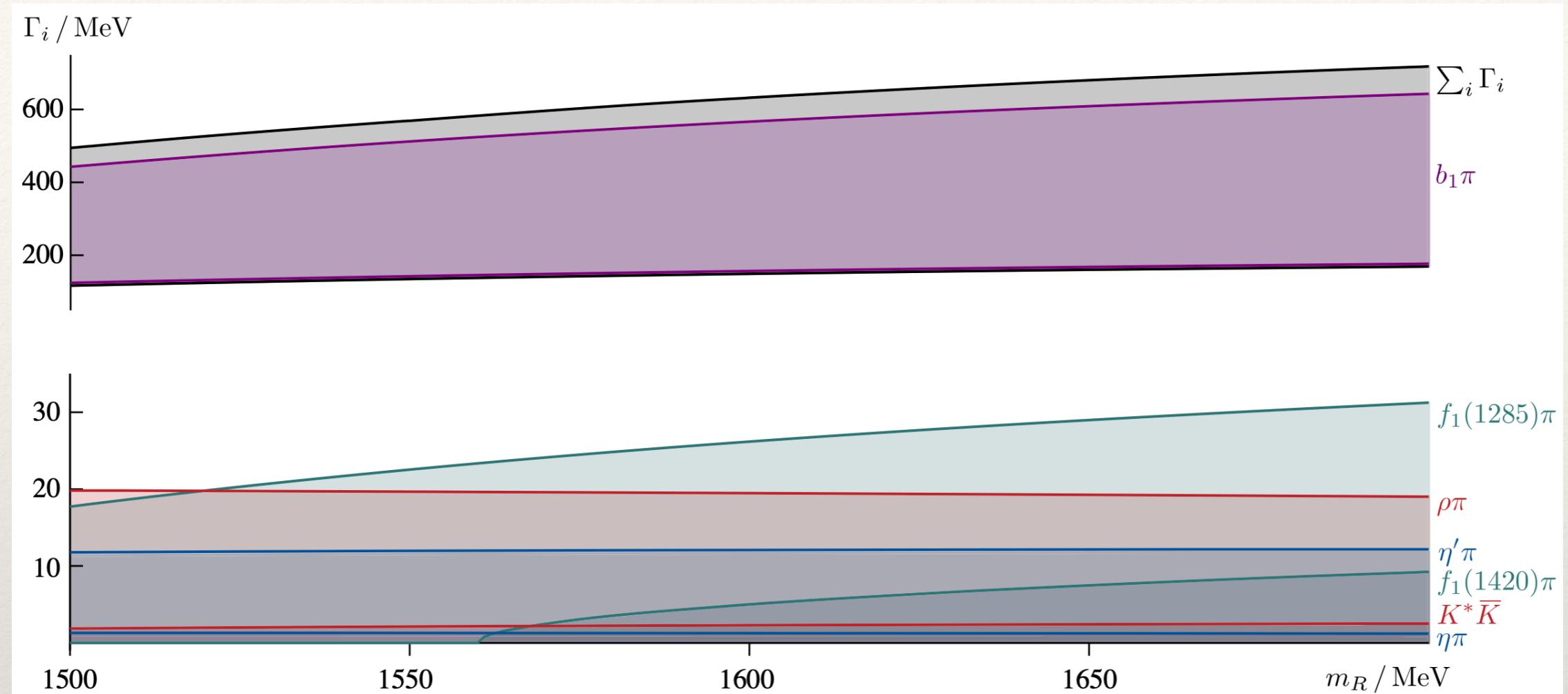


mass = $1564 \pm 24 \pm 86$ MeV width = $492 \pm 54 \pm 102$ MeV

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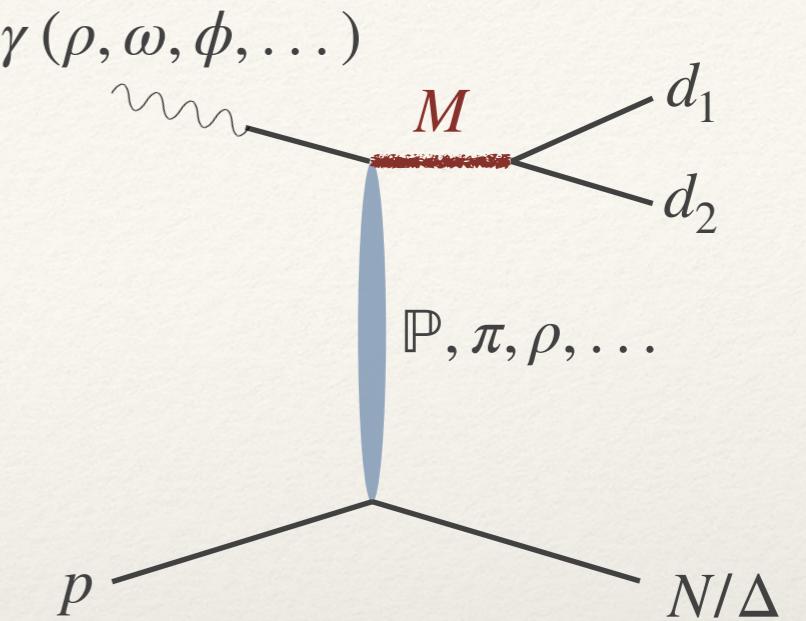
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- ❖ LQCD indicates that $b_1\pi$ is the dominant decay mode
 - ❖ Experimentally challenging
 - ❖ Start with $\eta\pi, \eta'\pi$
 - ❖ Smaller expected branching ratio but large statistics
 - ❖ Narrow peaks and pseudo scalars

Towards hybrids at GlueX

- ❖ Photoproduction complementary to pion production
 - ❖ Utilize polarization to understand production mechanisms
- ❖ Study production mechanisms to inform choice of wave sets for PWA (beam asymmetries, spin density matrix elements)
- ❖ Focus on $\eta\pi$ and $\eta'\pi$
 - ❖ Look at different production and decay mechanisms
 - ❖ Work closely with theory colleagues to tackle model complexity

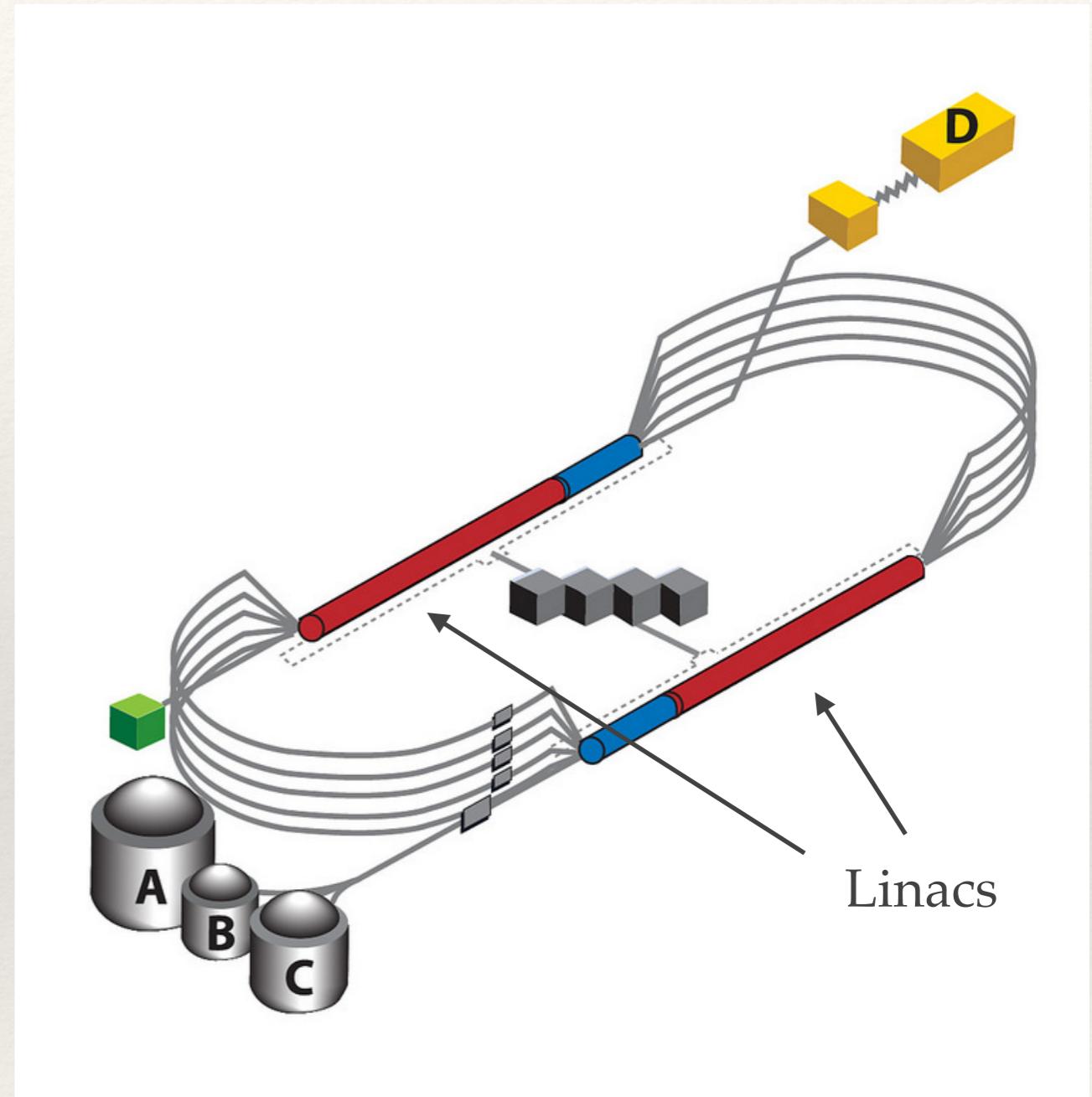
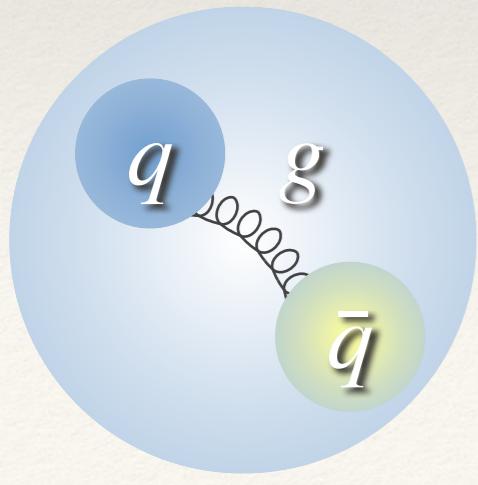


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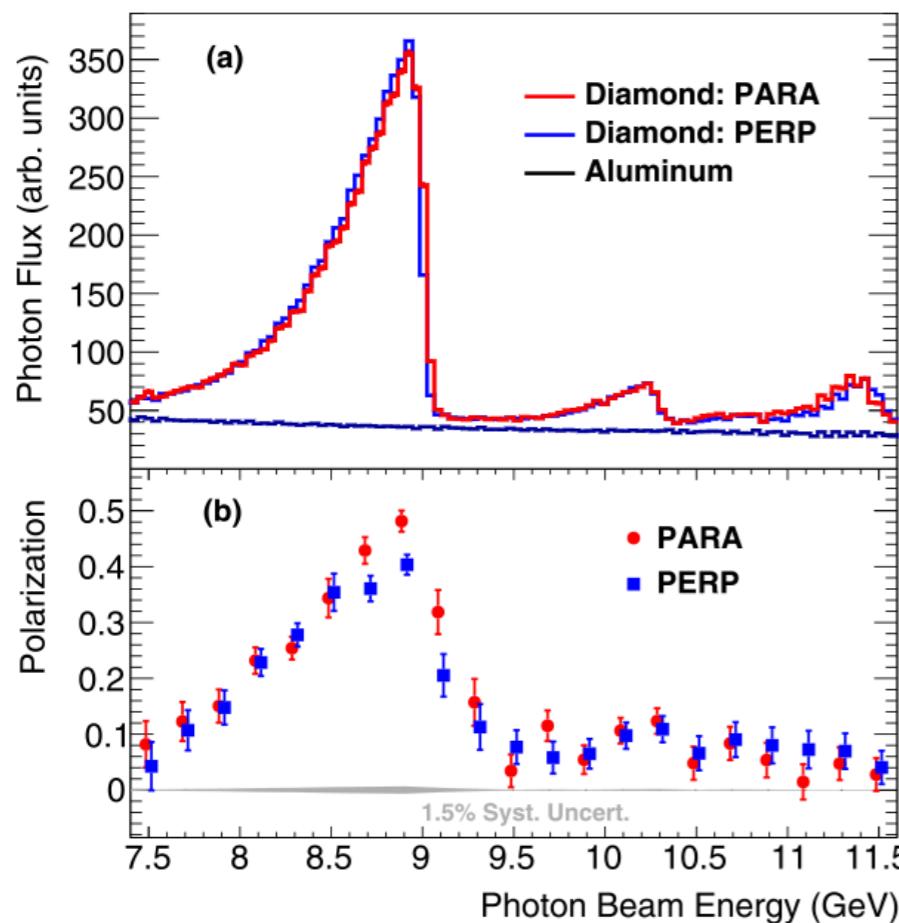


CEBAF at Jefferson Lab

- ❖ up to 12 GeV electron beam
 - ❖ high luminosities for Hall A/C
(high resolution spectrometer)
 - ❖ CLAS12 in Hall B
 - ❖ GlueX in Hall D
 - ❖ Focus on exotic hybrid mesons
- BUT:
- Large data set available to study wide range of reactions



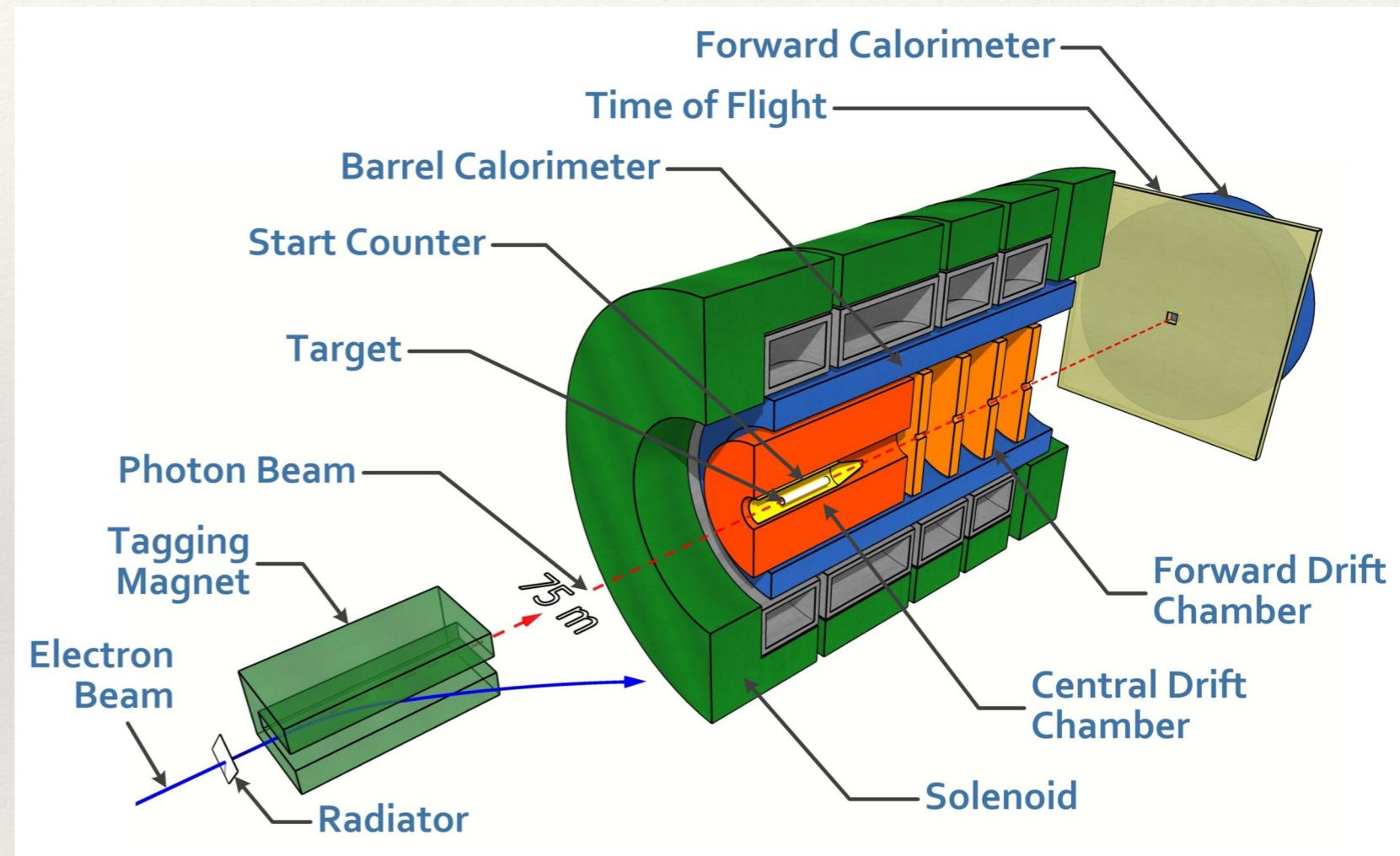
GlueX experiment in Hall D



GlueX, Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 987 (2021) 164807

- ❖ tag electrons to determine photon energy

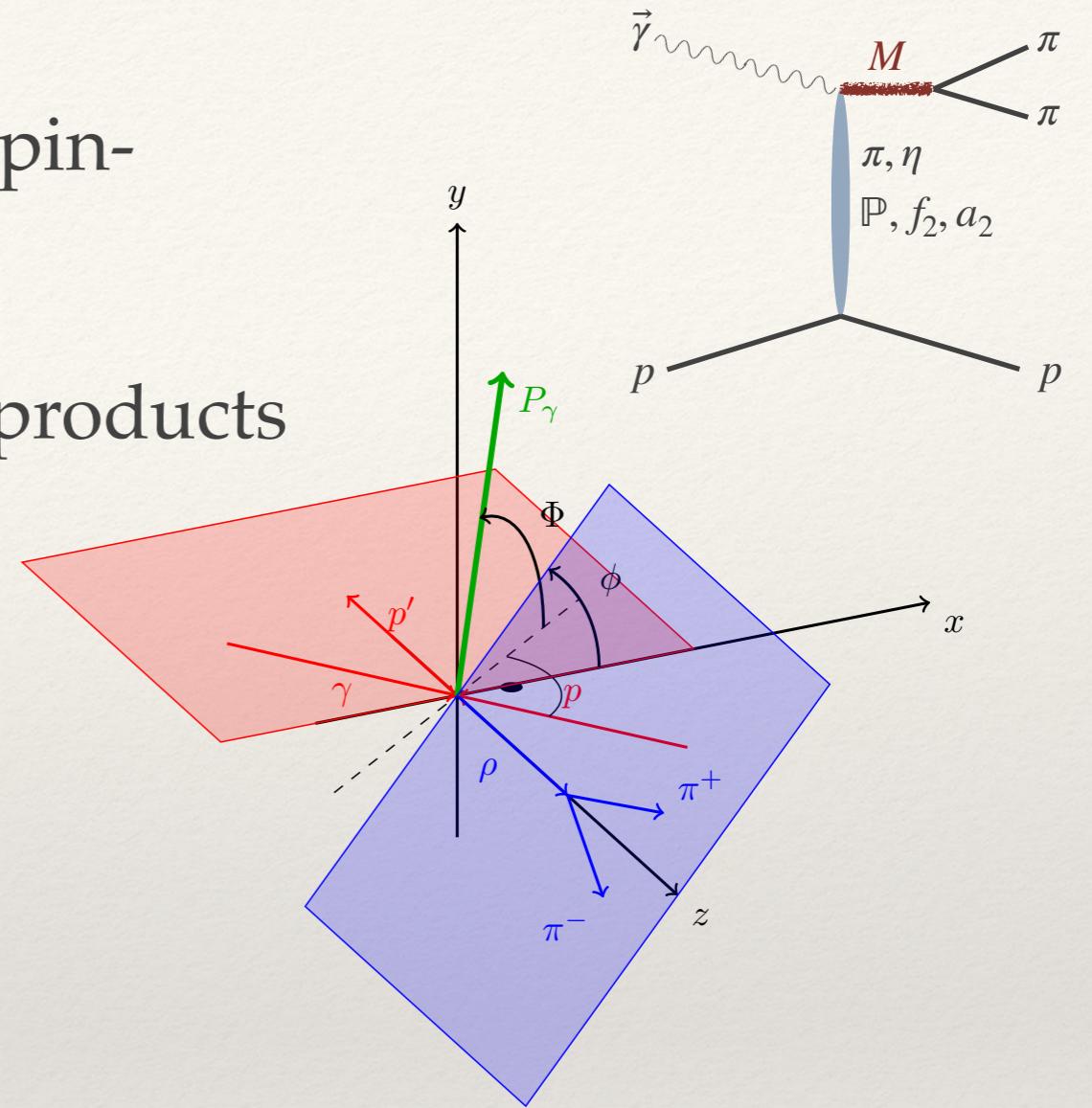
- ❖ produce linearly polarized photon beam via coherent bremsstrahlung on thin diamond



- ❖ Acceptance: $\theta_{lab} \approx 1^\circ - 120^\circ$
- ❖ Charged particles: $\sigma_p/p \approx 1\% - 3\%$ ($8\% - 9\%$ very-forward high-momentum tracks)
- ❖ Photons: $\sigma_E/E = 6\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 2\%$

Spin density matrix elements

- ❖ SDMEs ρ_{jk}^i contain information on the spin-polarization of the produced state
- ❖ Measure angular distribution of decay products
- ❖ Learn about production mechanism
 - ❖ Study the naturality $\eta = P(-1)^J$ of the exchanged particle X



For vector meson to pseudo-scalar decays:

$$W(\cos \theta, \phi, \Phi) = W^0(\cos \theta, \phi, \Phi) + P_\gamma \cos(2\Phi) W^1(\cos \theta, \phi, \Phi) + P_\gamma \sin(2\Phi) W^2(\cos \theta, \phi, \Phi)$$

$$W^0(\cos \theta, \phi) = \frac{3}{4\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2}(1 - \rho_{00}^0) + \frac{1}{2}(3\rho_{00}^0 - 1) \cos^2 \theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\rho_{10}^0 \sin 2\theta \cos \phi - \rho_{1-1}^0 \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi \right)$$

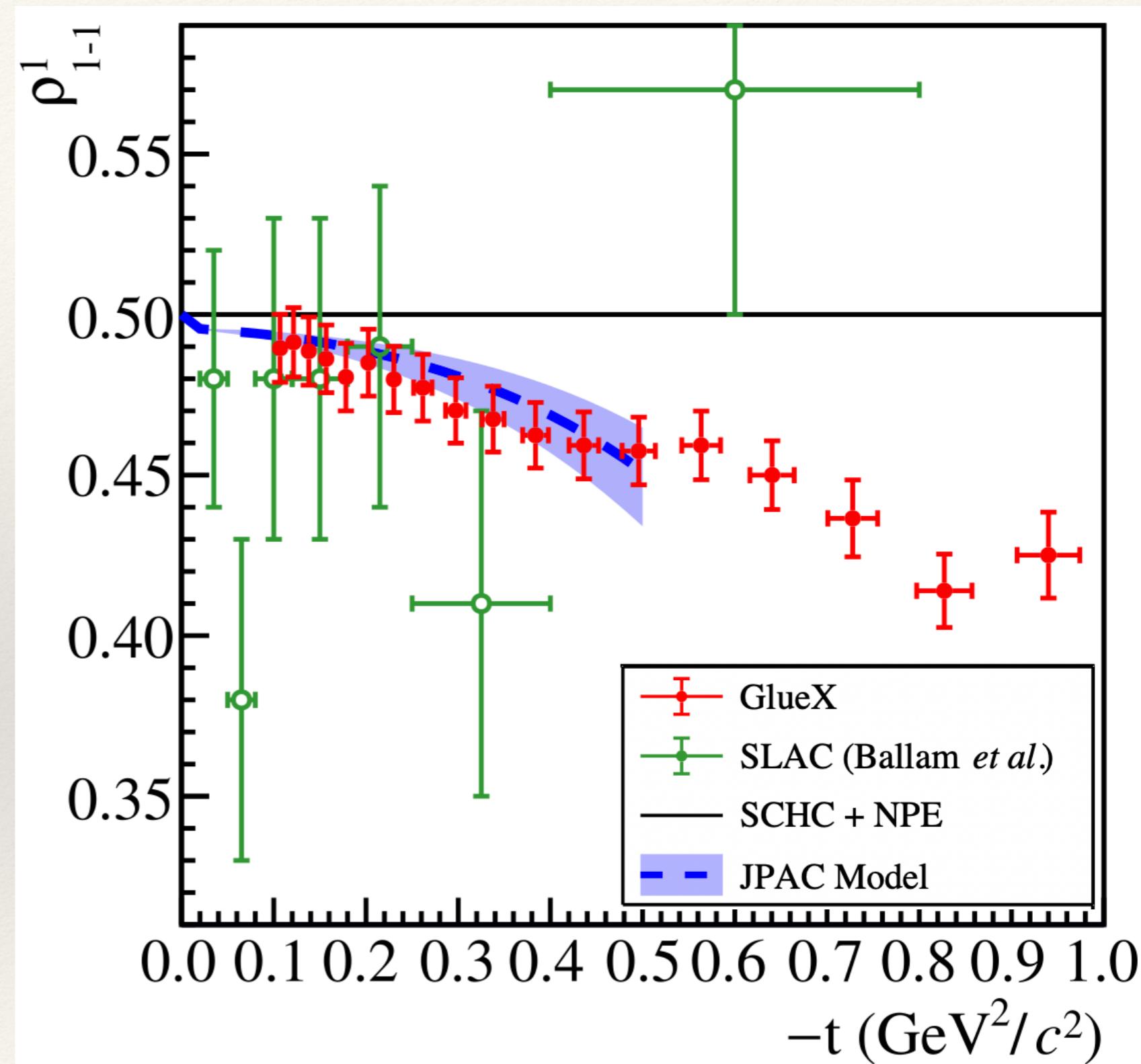
$$W^1(\cos \theta, \phi) = \frac{3}{4\pi} \left(\rho_{11}^1 \sin^2 \theta + \rho_{00}^1 \cos^2 \theta - \sqrt{2}\text{Re}\rho_{10}^1 \sin 2\theta \cos \phi - \rho_{1-1}^1 \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi \right)$$

$$W^2(\cos \theta, \phi) = \frac{3}{4\pi} \left(\sqrt{2}\text{Im}\rho_{10}^2 \sin 2\theta \sin \phi + \rho_{1-1}^2 \sin^2 \theta \sin 2\phi \right)$$

$\gamma p \rightarrow \rho(770) p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- p$

- ❖ Uncertainties dominated by systematics
- ❖ s-channel helicity conservation:
 $\rho_{1-1}^1 = 0.5$
 valid for very small $-t$
- ❖ JPAC: Regge model
 (fit to SLAC data)
 → good agreement at low $-t$

JPAC, Phys. Rev. D 97, 094003
 (2018)



$\rho(770)$ SDMEs

Phys. Rev. C 108, 055204 (2023)

- ❖ Study combinations of SDMEs which are purely natural or unnatural

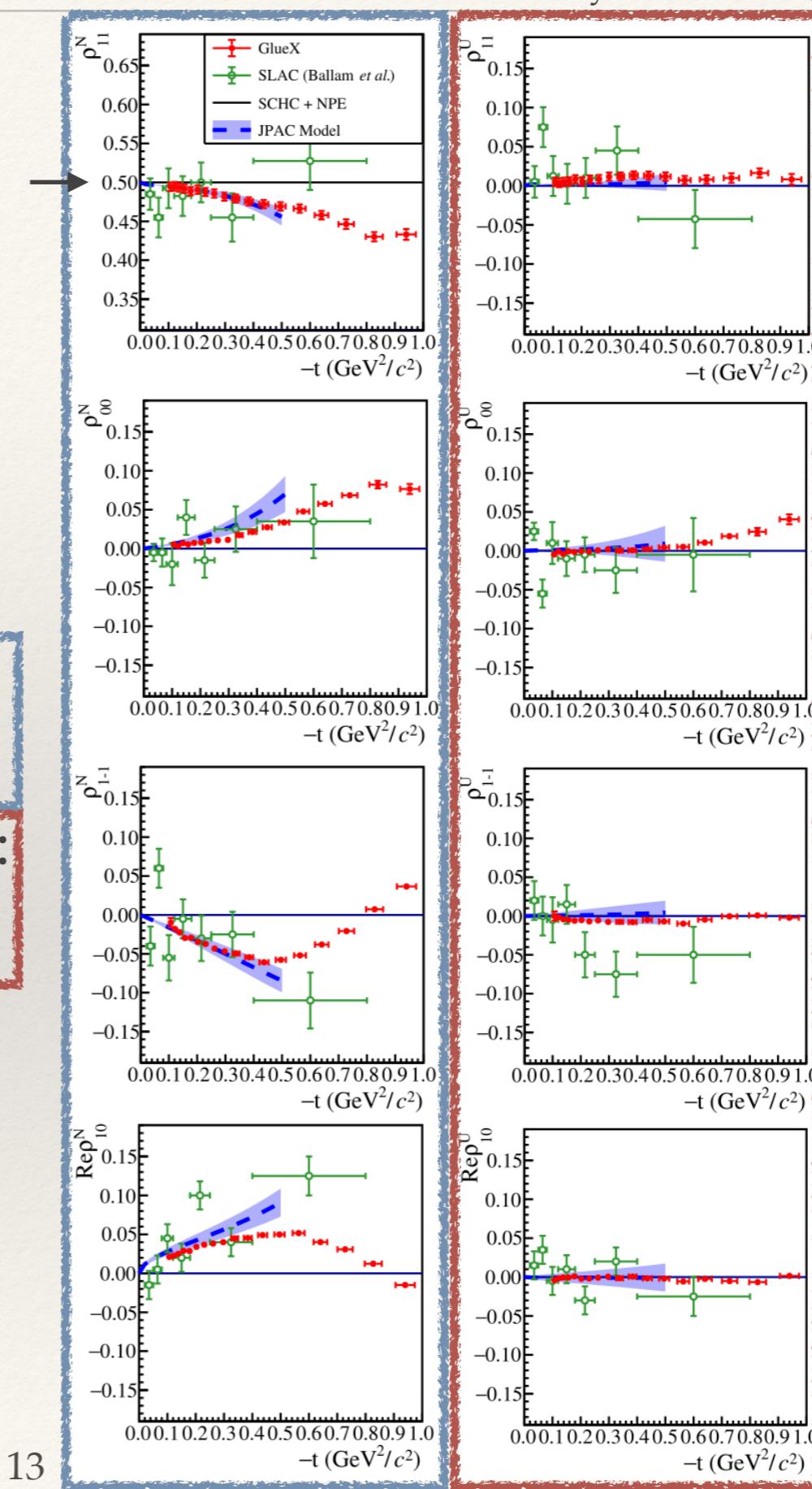
$$\diamond \quad \rho_{jk}^{N,U} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\rho_{jk}^0 \mp (-1)^i \rho_{-jk}^1 \right)$$

Schilling et. al., Nucl. Phys. B 15 (1970) 397-412

pos. parity exchange/natural:
e.g. f_2, a_2

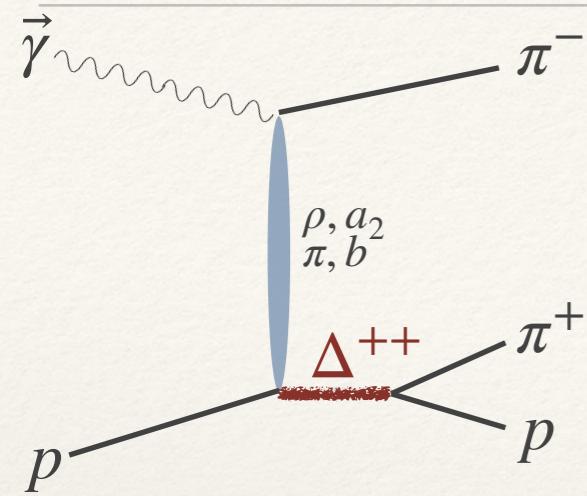
neg. parity exchange/unnatural:
e.g. π, η

- ❖ Dominance of natural amplitudes
- ❖ In the pipeline: ϕ, ω



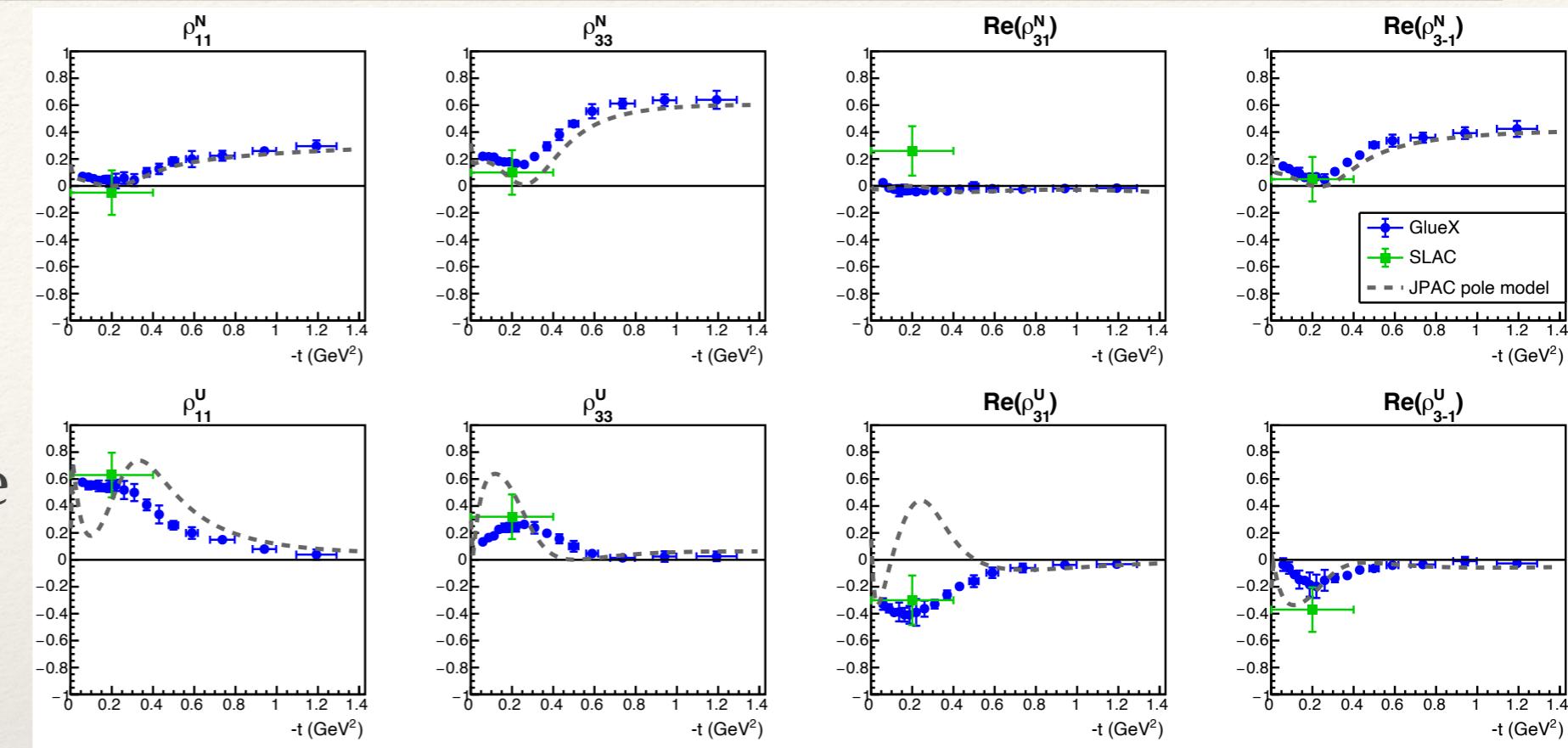
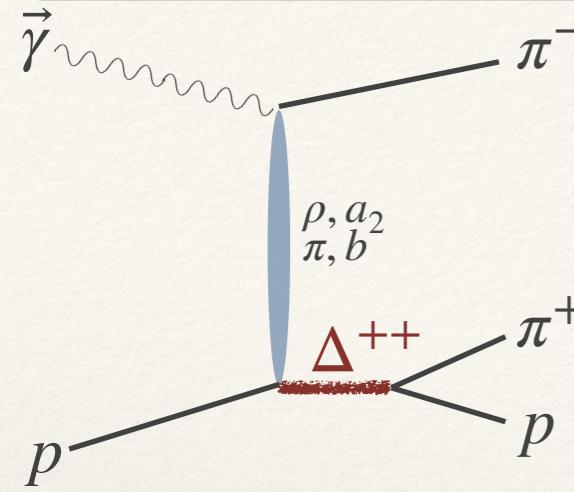
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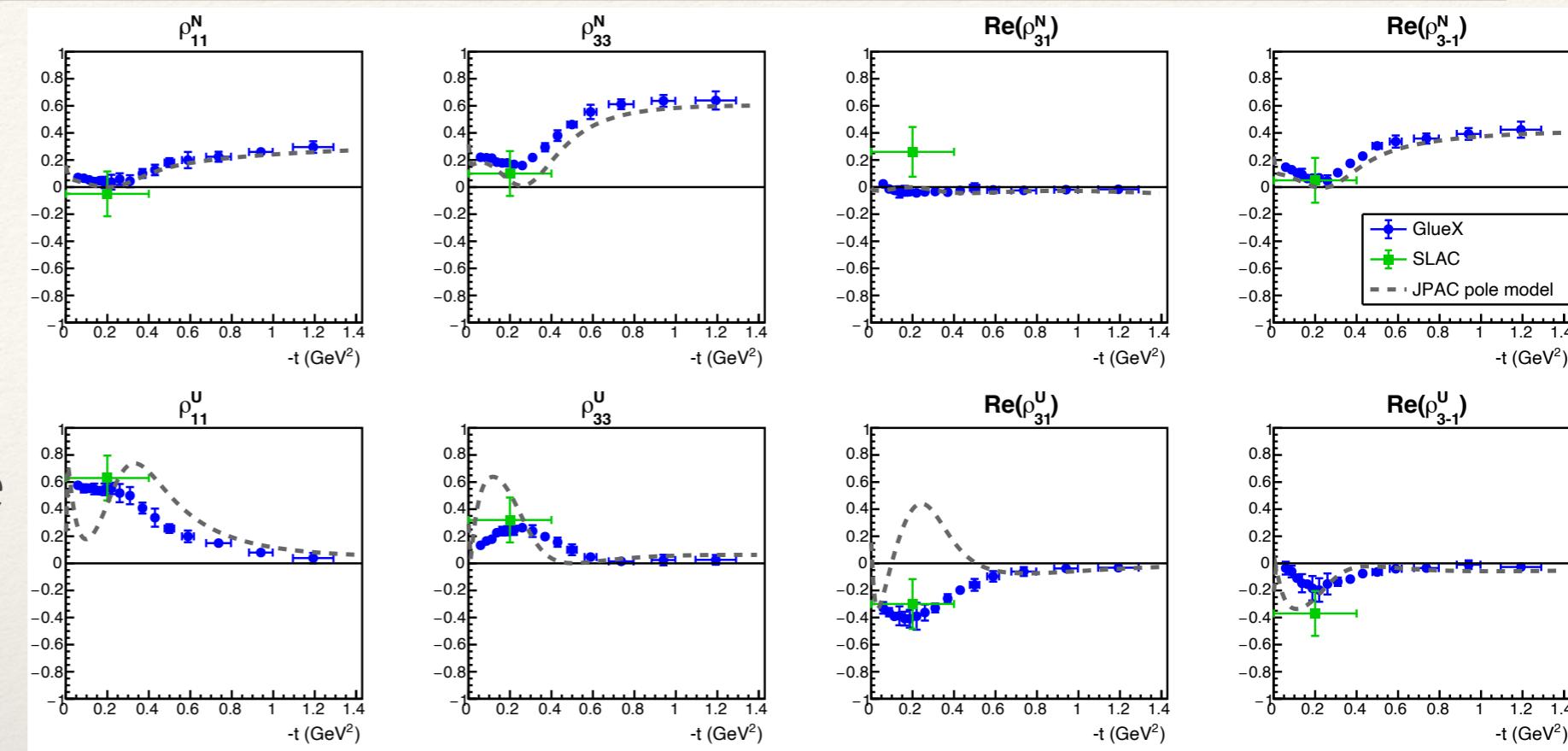
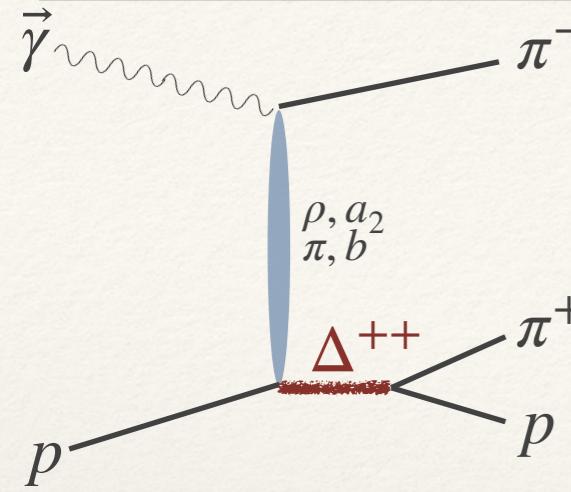


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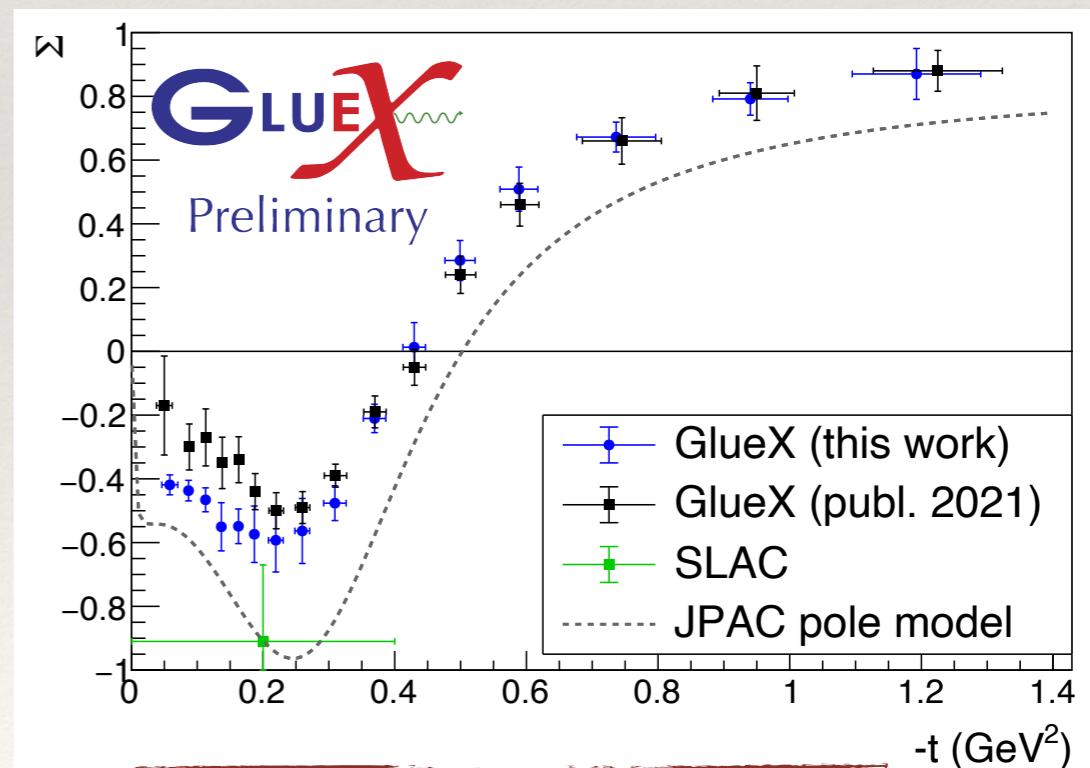
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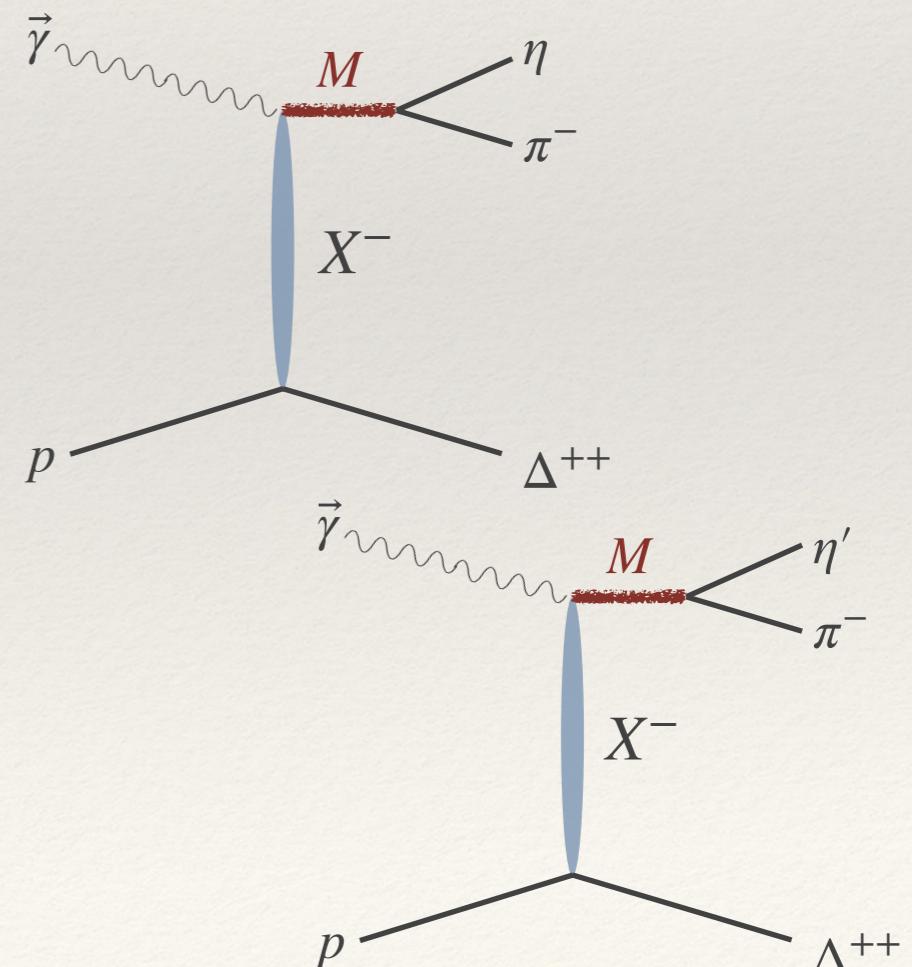
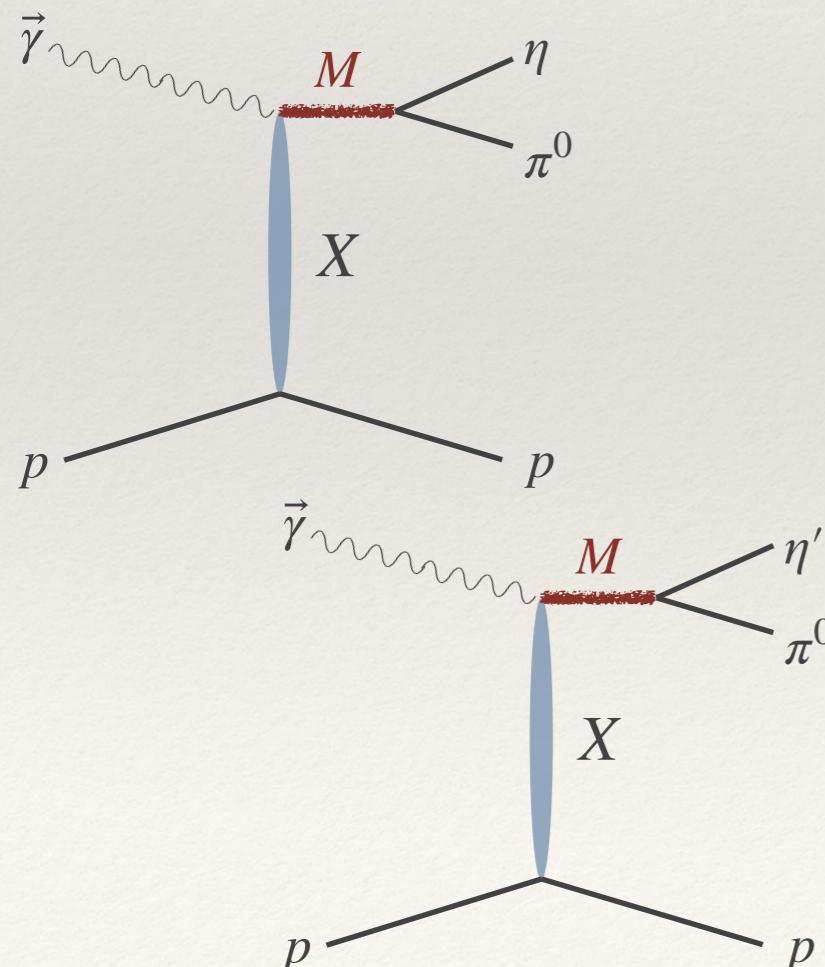
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Hybrid search in $\eta\pi$

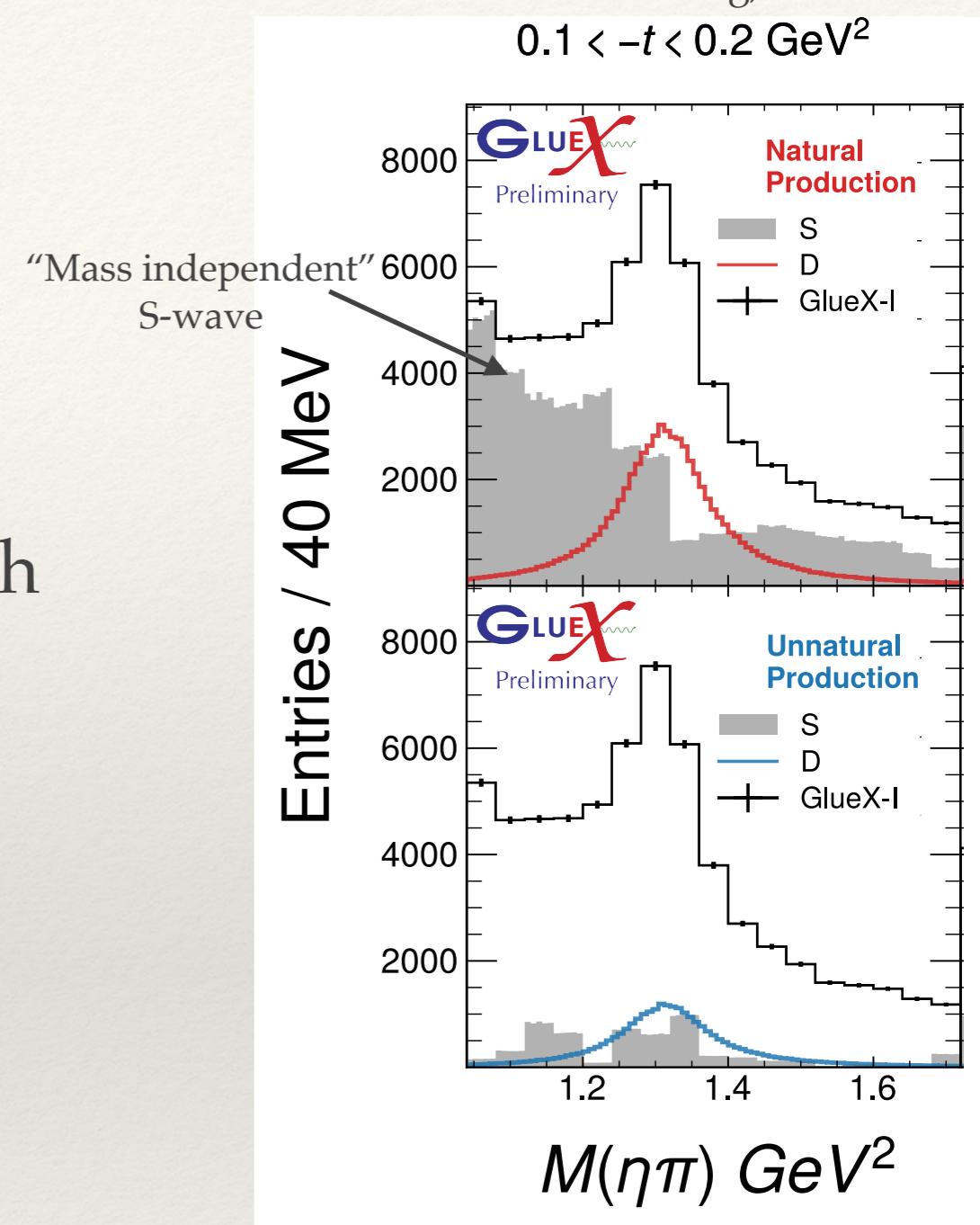
- ❖ JPAC coupled channel fit to $\eta\pi$ and $\eta'\pi$ data from COMPASS
- ❖ GlueX has access to different decay modes in multiple final states
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- ❖ $\gamma p \rightarrow \eta\pi^0 p$, $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$
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Towards a PWA in $\eta\pi^0$ - $a_2(1320)$ cross-section

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Belle, Phys. Rev. D 80, 032001

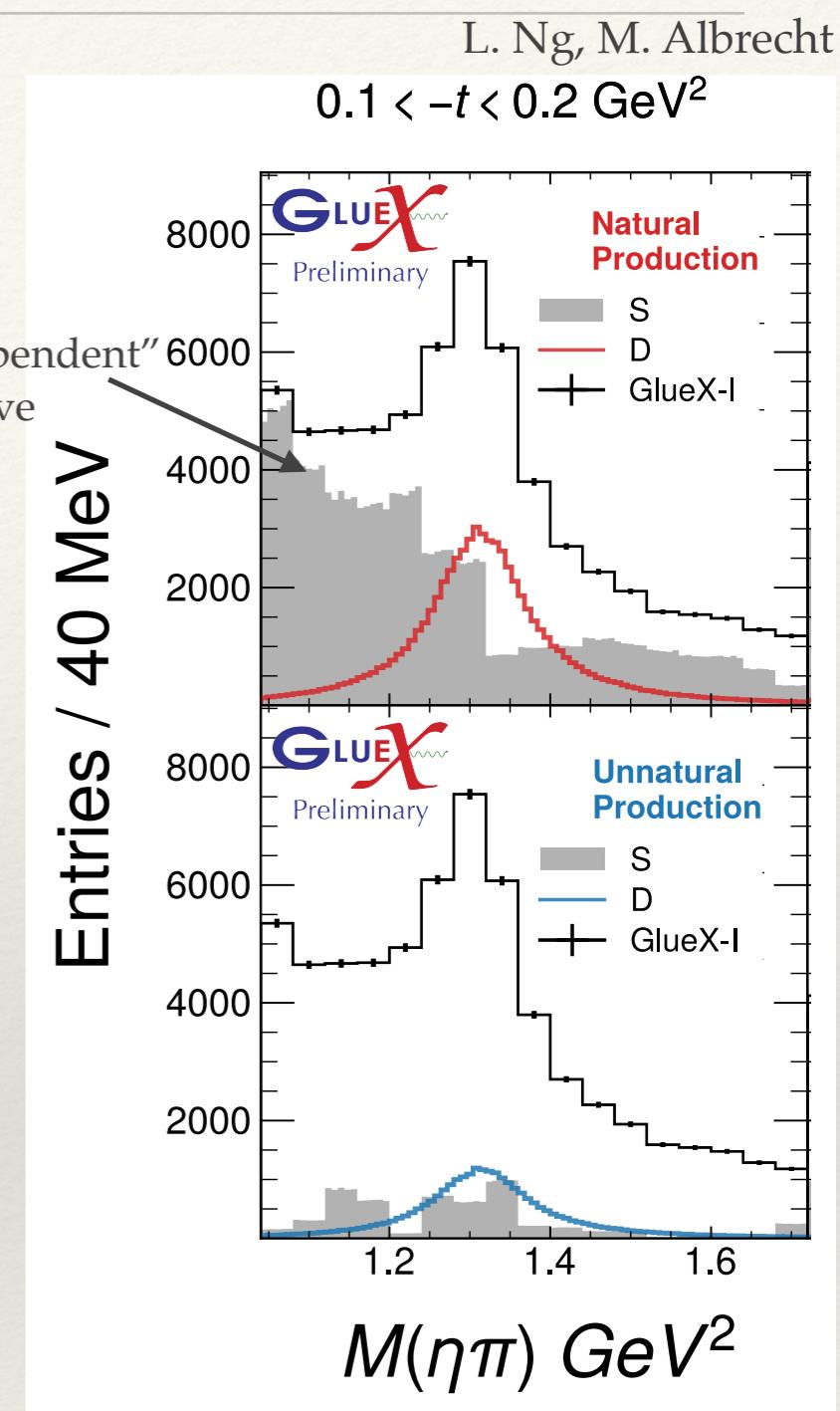
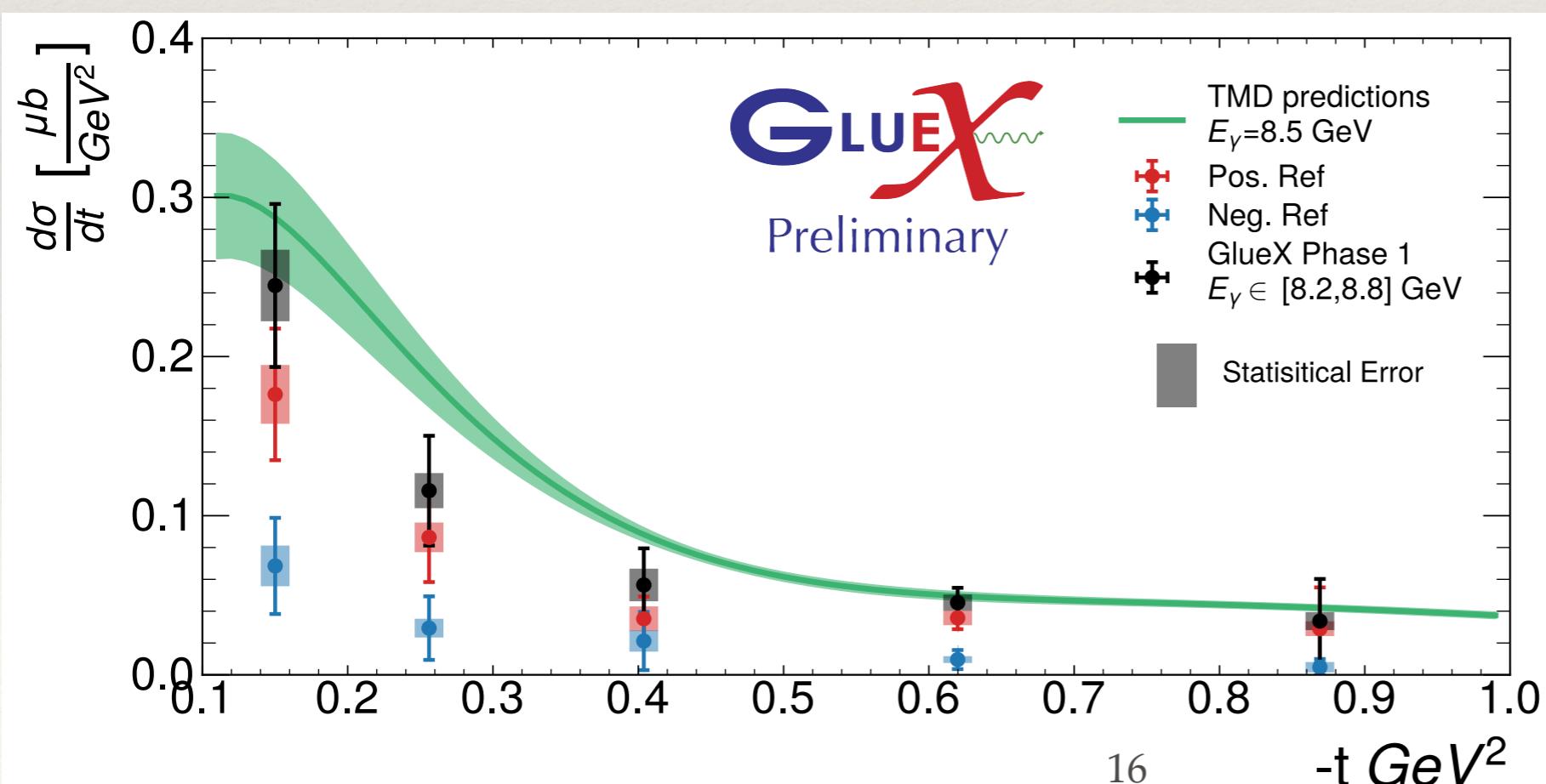


Mixed method: imposing BW shape on a_2 improves fit

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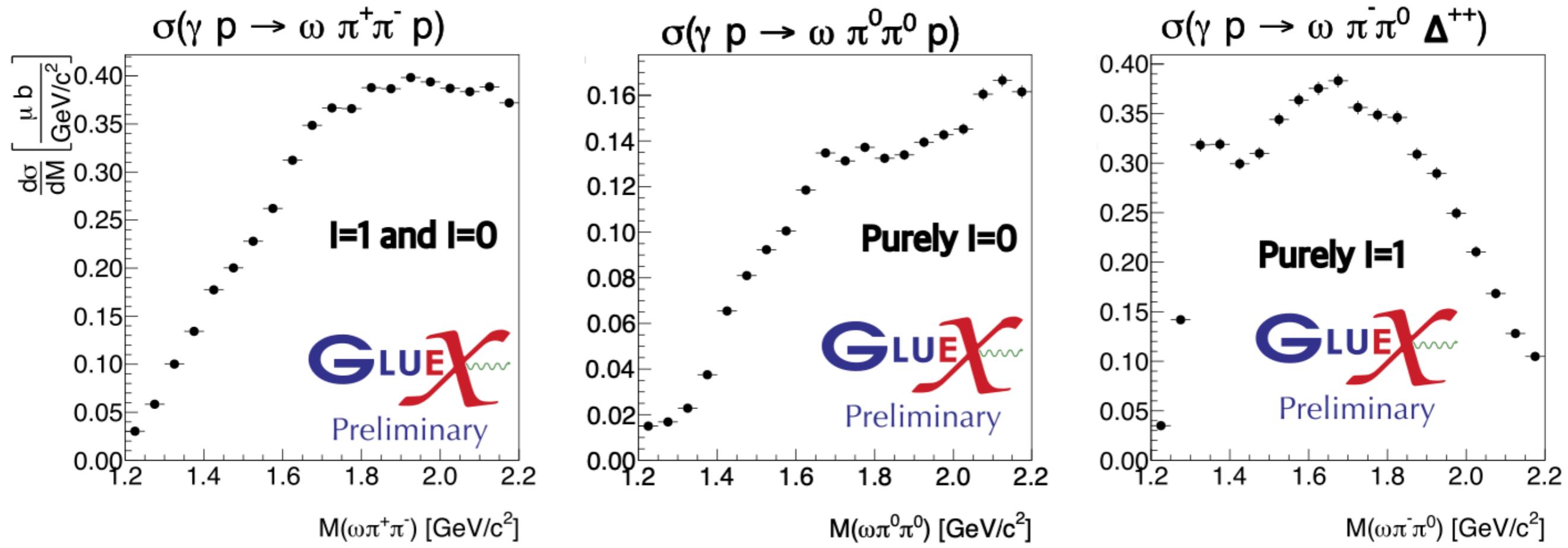
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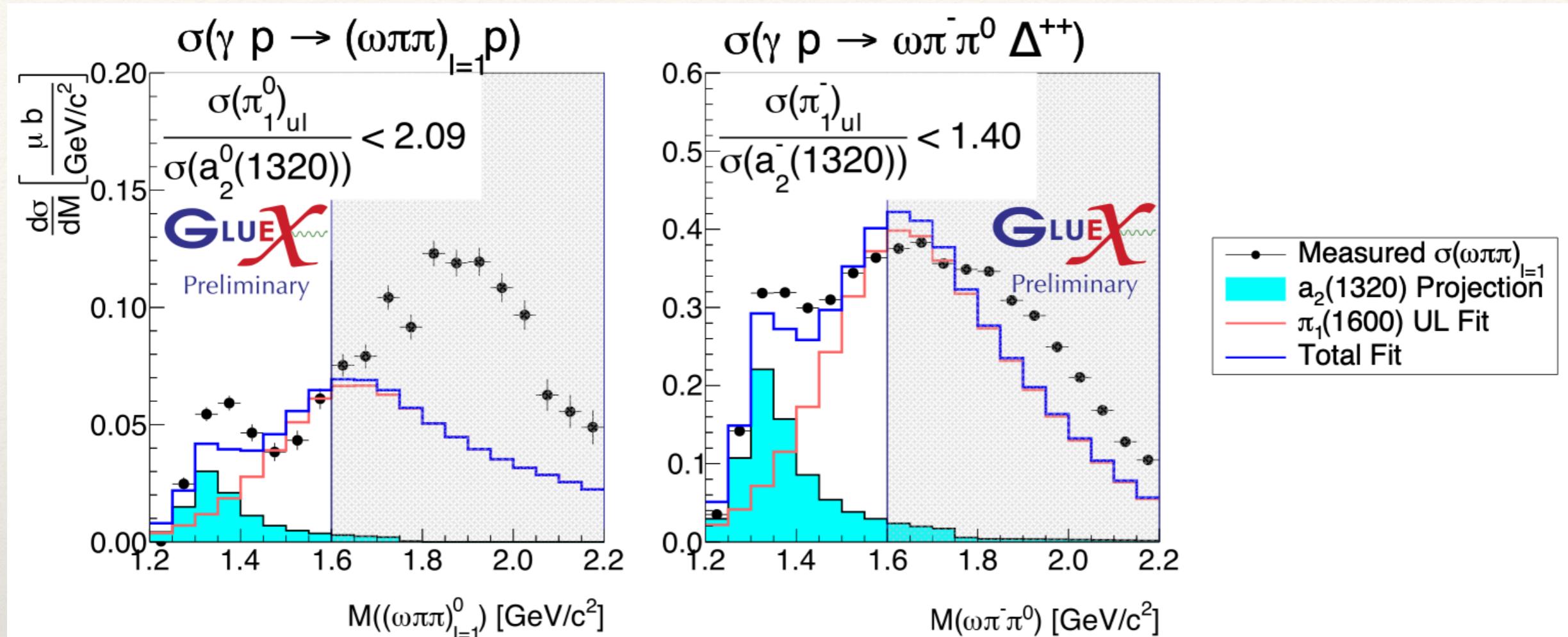
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- ❖ Set upper limit on $\pi_1(1600)$ using isospin separation, assume no $I = 2$
 - ❖ $\sigma((\omega\pi\pi)^0)_{I=1} = \sigma(\omega\pi^+\pi^-) - 2\sigma(\omega\pi^0\pi^0)$
 - ❖ $\sigma((\omega\pi\pi)^-)_{I=1} = \sigma(\omega\pi^-\pi^0)$
- ❖ Fit $\sigma(\omega\pi\pi)_{I=1}$ using known shapes for a_2 (PDG) and π_1 (JPAC)

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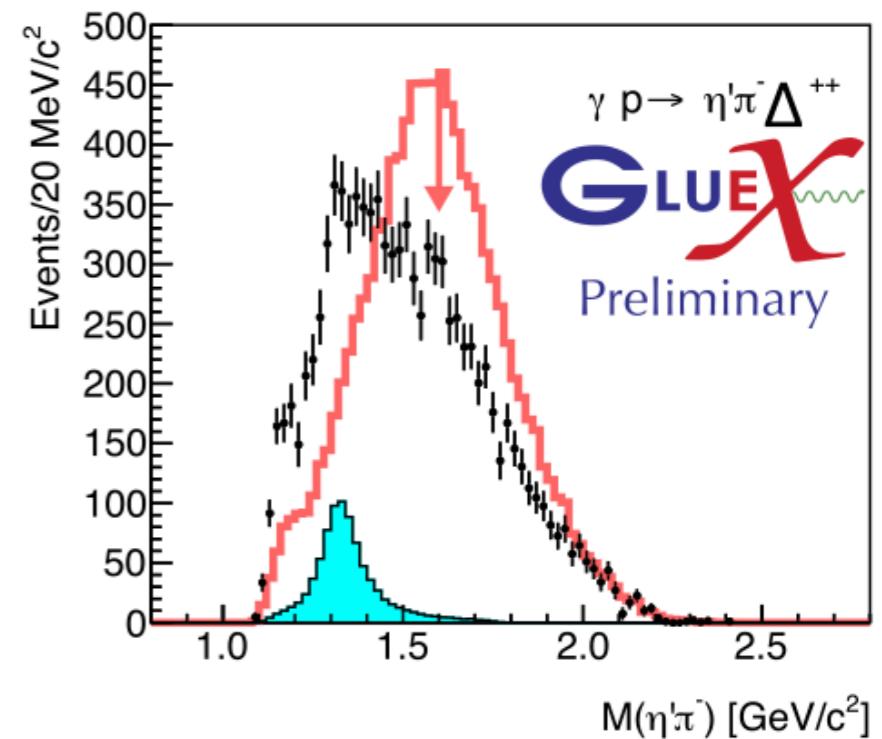
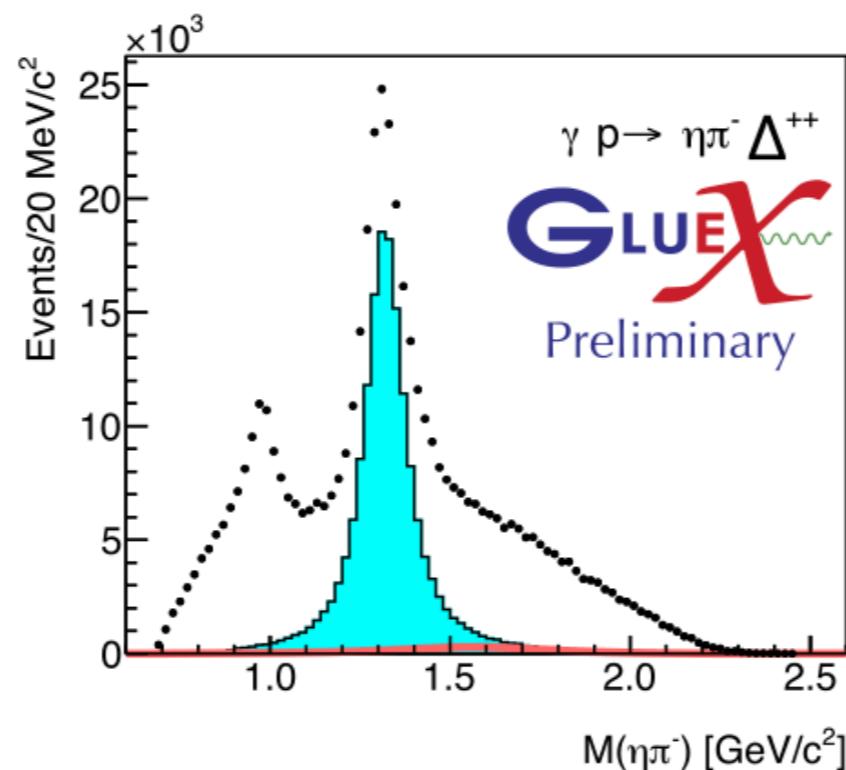
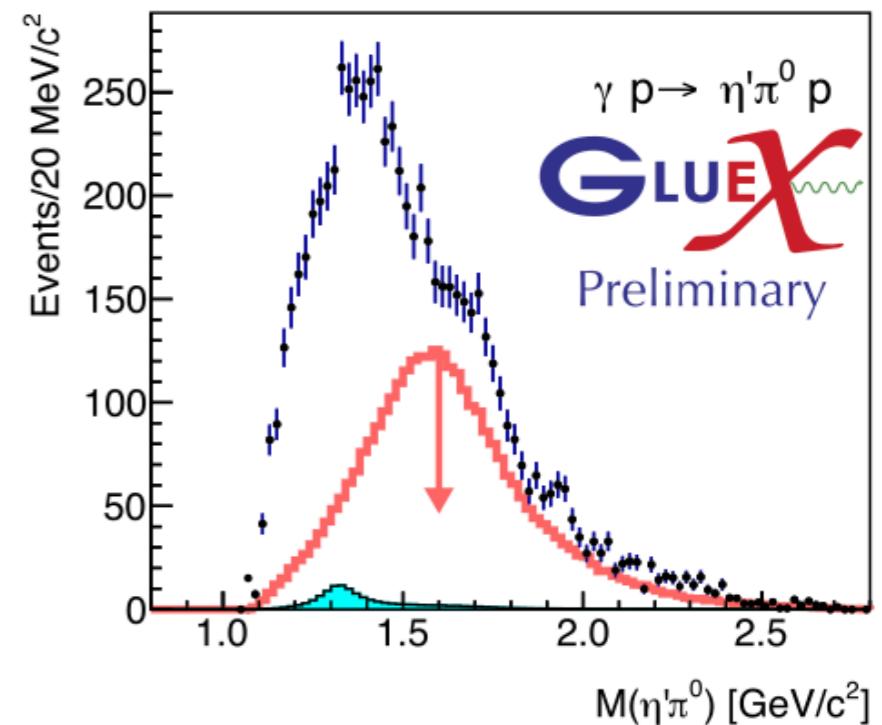
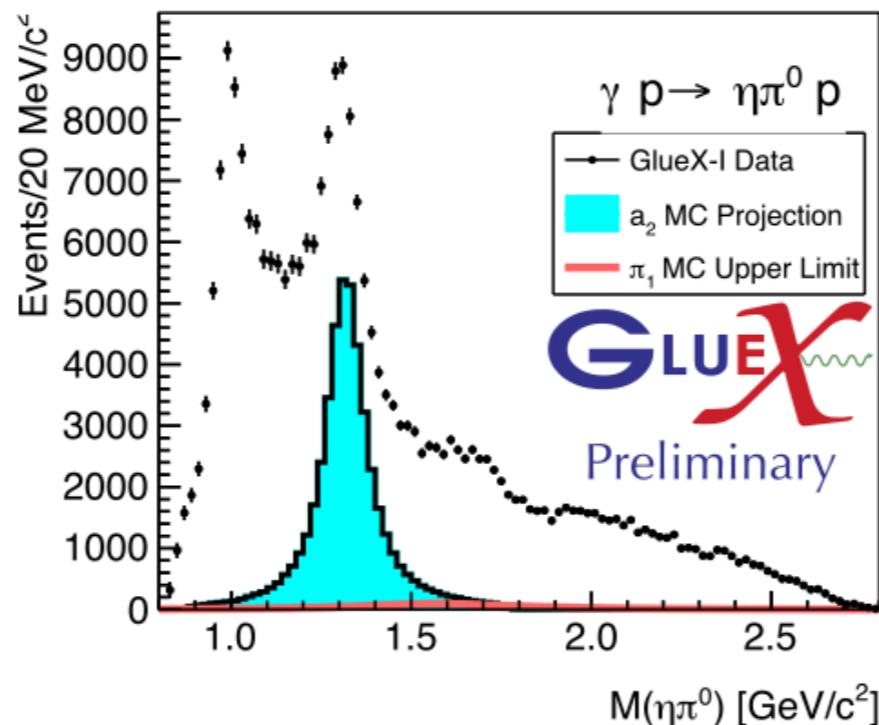


- ❖ Fit $M(\omega\pi\pi)_{I=1} < 1.6 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- ❖ Fix a_2 size to measured cross-section adjusted with known BR
- ❖ π_1 BR from lattice
- ❖ Only free parameter is π_1 normalisation!
- ❖ π_1 upper limits similar in size to a_2 cross-sections

π_1 projections to $\eta\pi$ and $\eta'\pi$

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- ❖ $\pi_1 \rightarrow \eta\pi$ expected to be very small
- ❖ $\pi_1 \rightarrow \eta'\pi$ potentially dominating the spectrum
- ❖ First limit on size of photoproduction cross-sections
- ❖ Guidance for amplitude analysis



Hyperons at GlueX

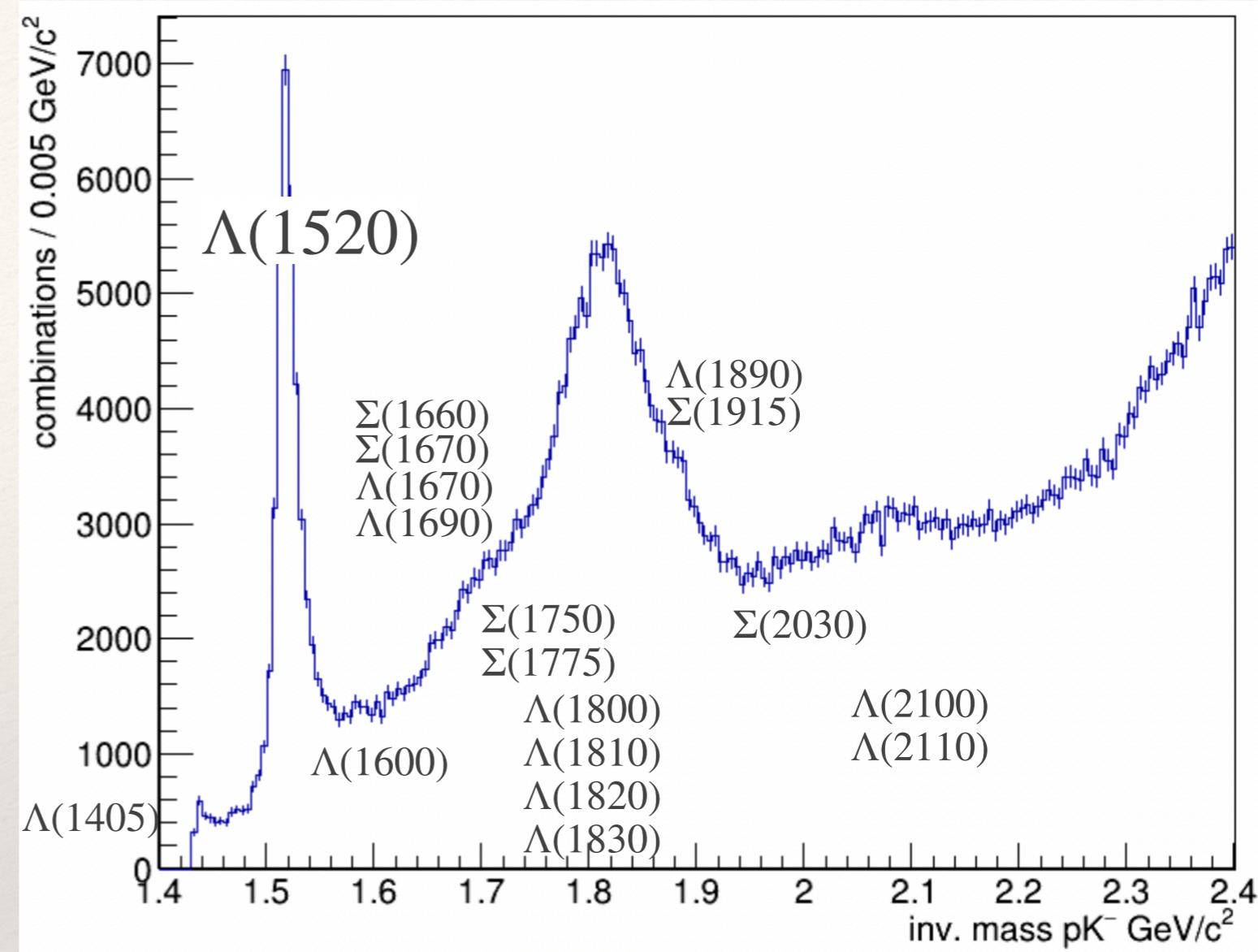
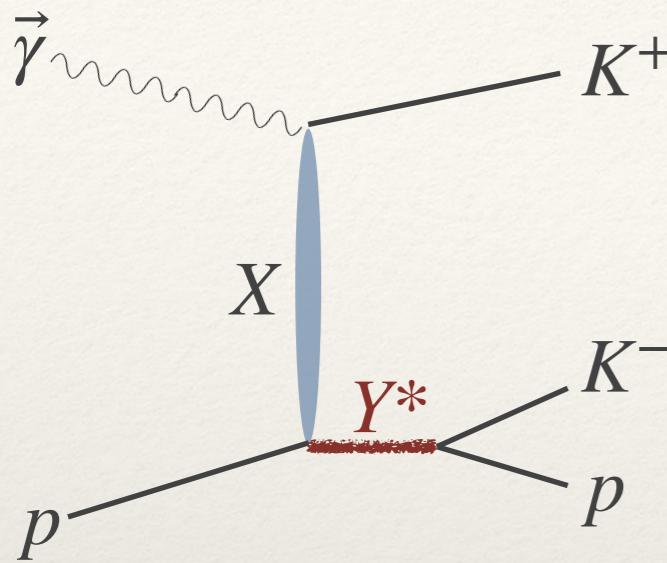
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— Λ and Σ resonances, PDG (2021)

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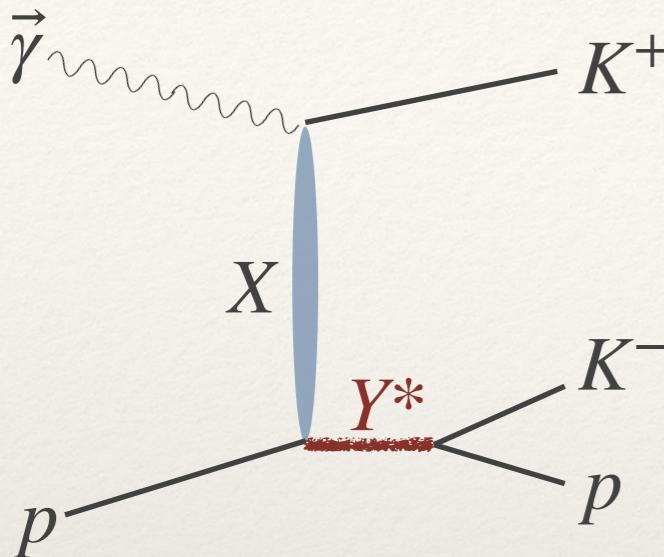


- ❖ Many excited Λ^* and Σ^* expected in spectrum
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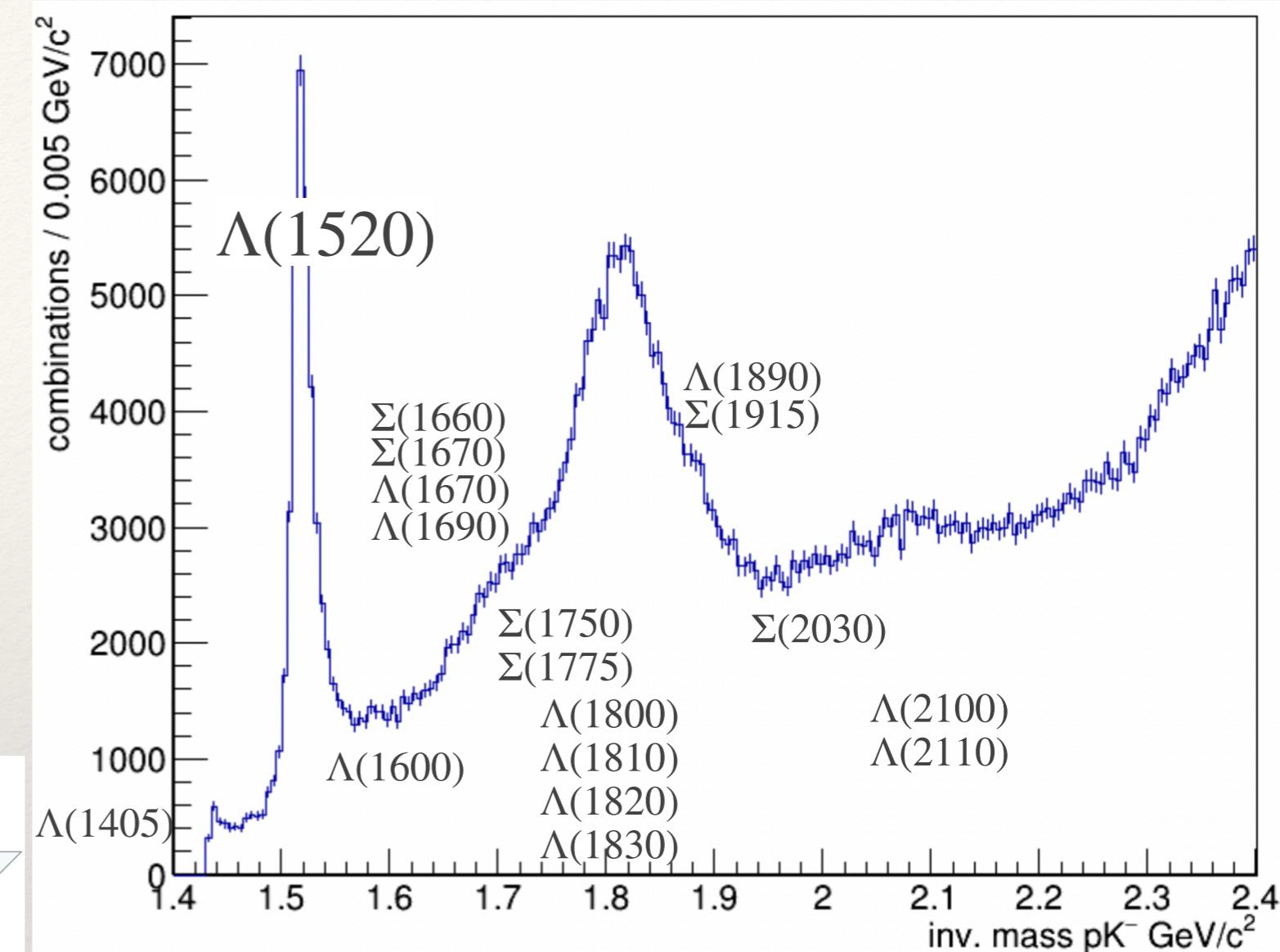
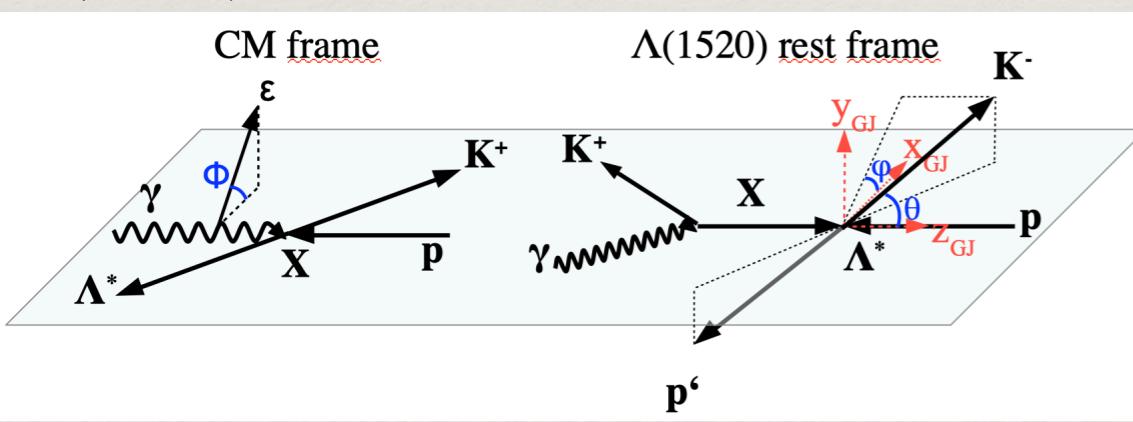
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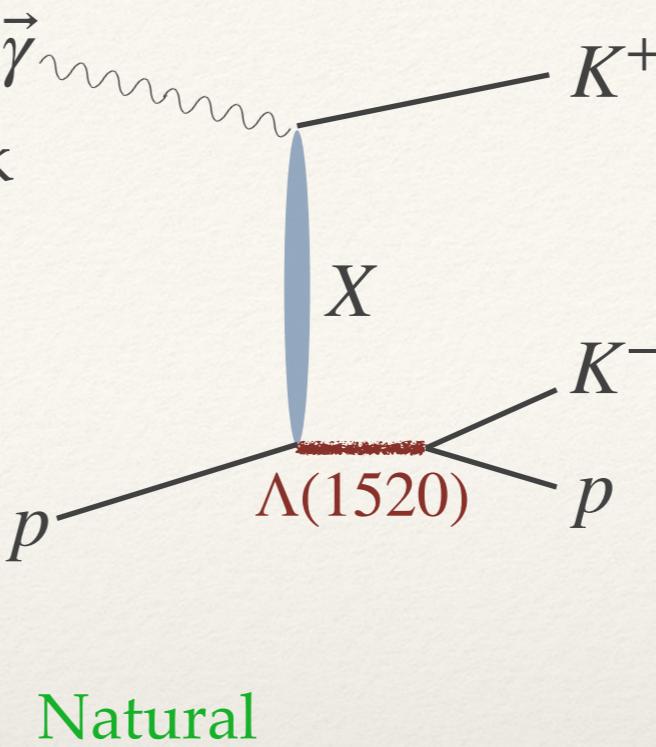
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$\Lambda(1520)$ SDME combinations

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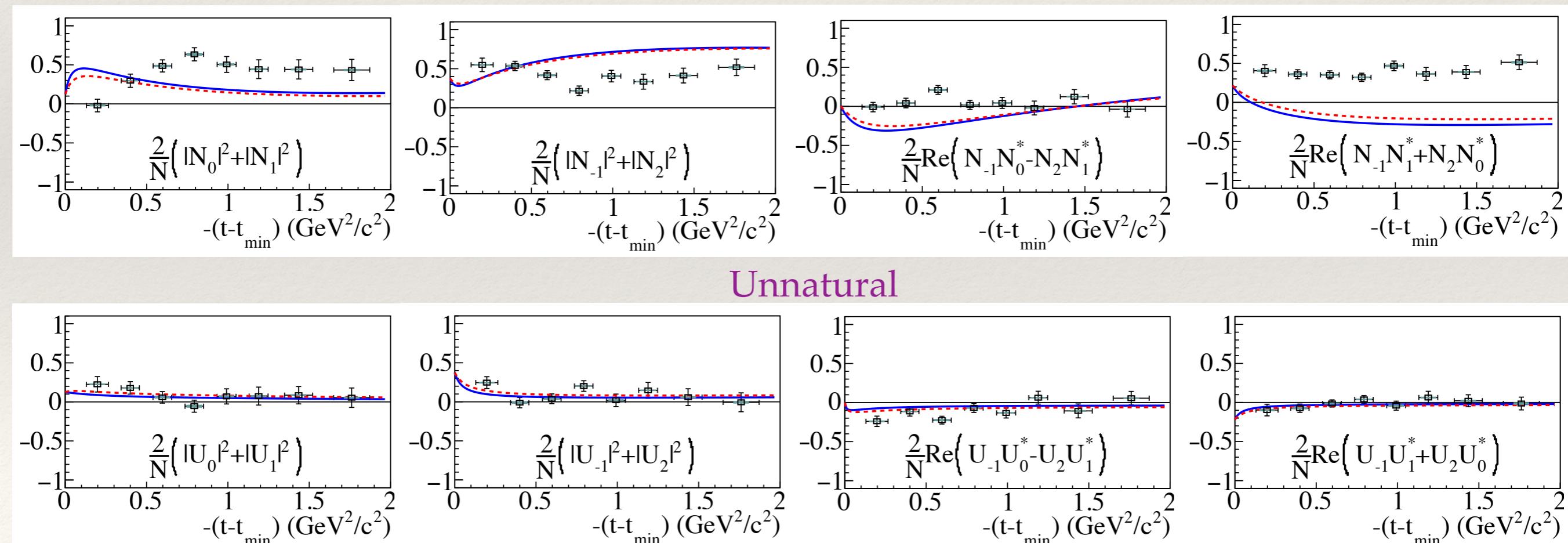
- ❖ red and blue show model predictions in Reggeized framework (priv. comm. based on [1])
- ❖ natural amplitudes dominate
- ❖ More work needed to model the reaction accurately



X is exchange particle with spin-parity quantum number J^P and naturality $\eta = P(-1)^J$

Natural: e.g. $K^*(892)$, $K_2^*(1430)$

Unnatural: e.g. $K(492)$, $K_1(1270)$



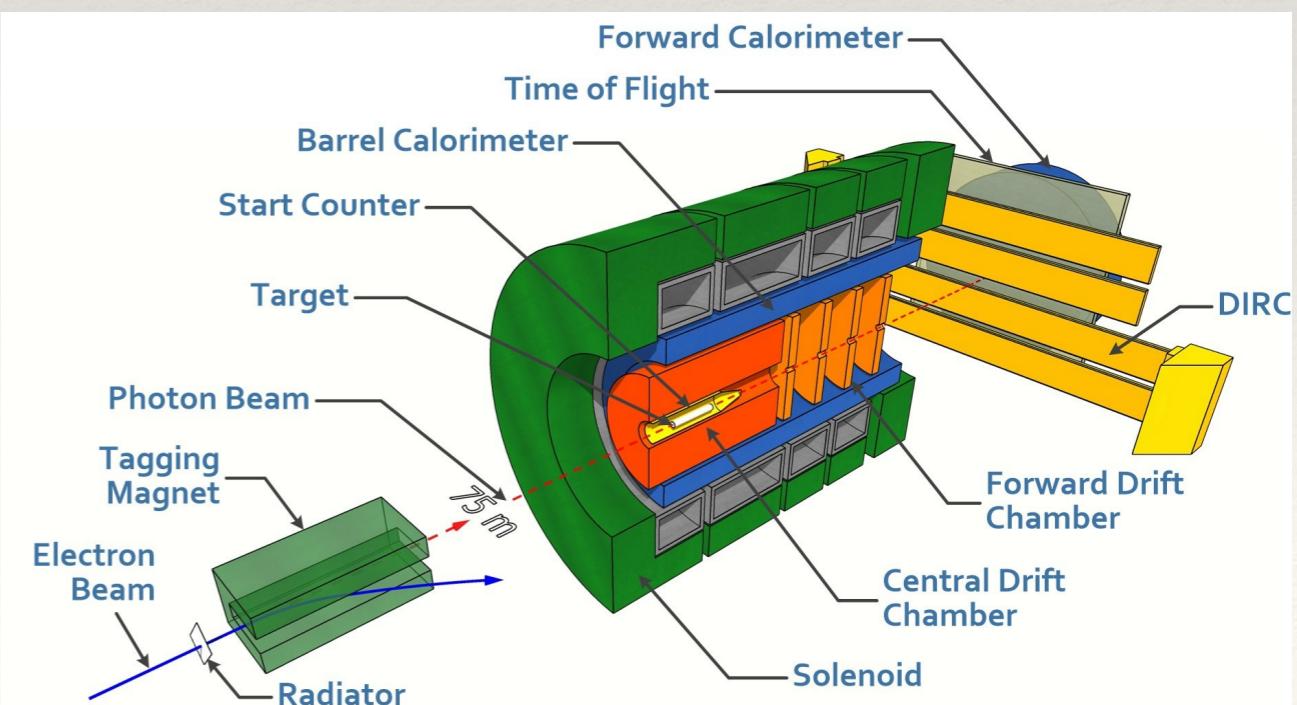
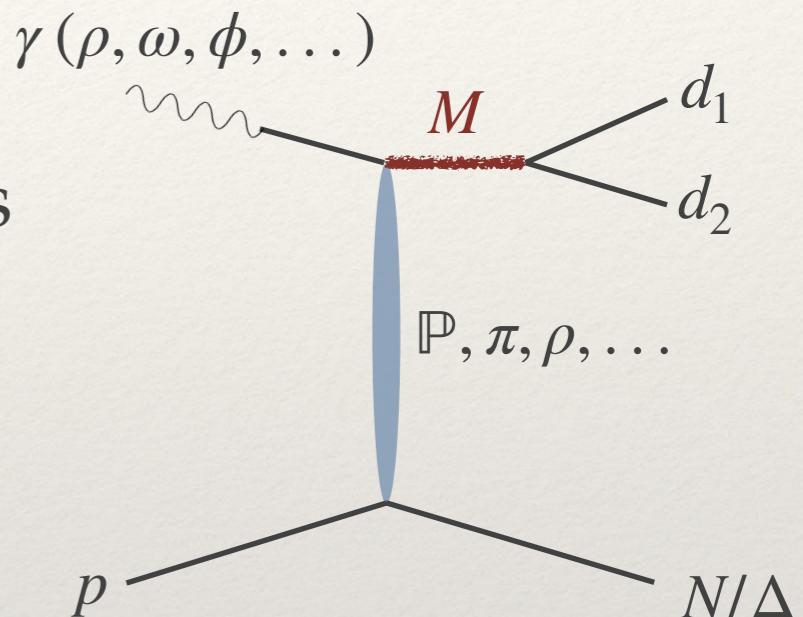
Summary

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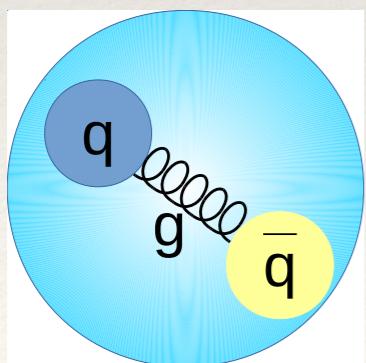
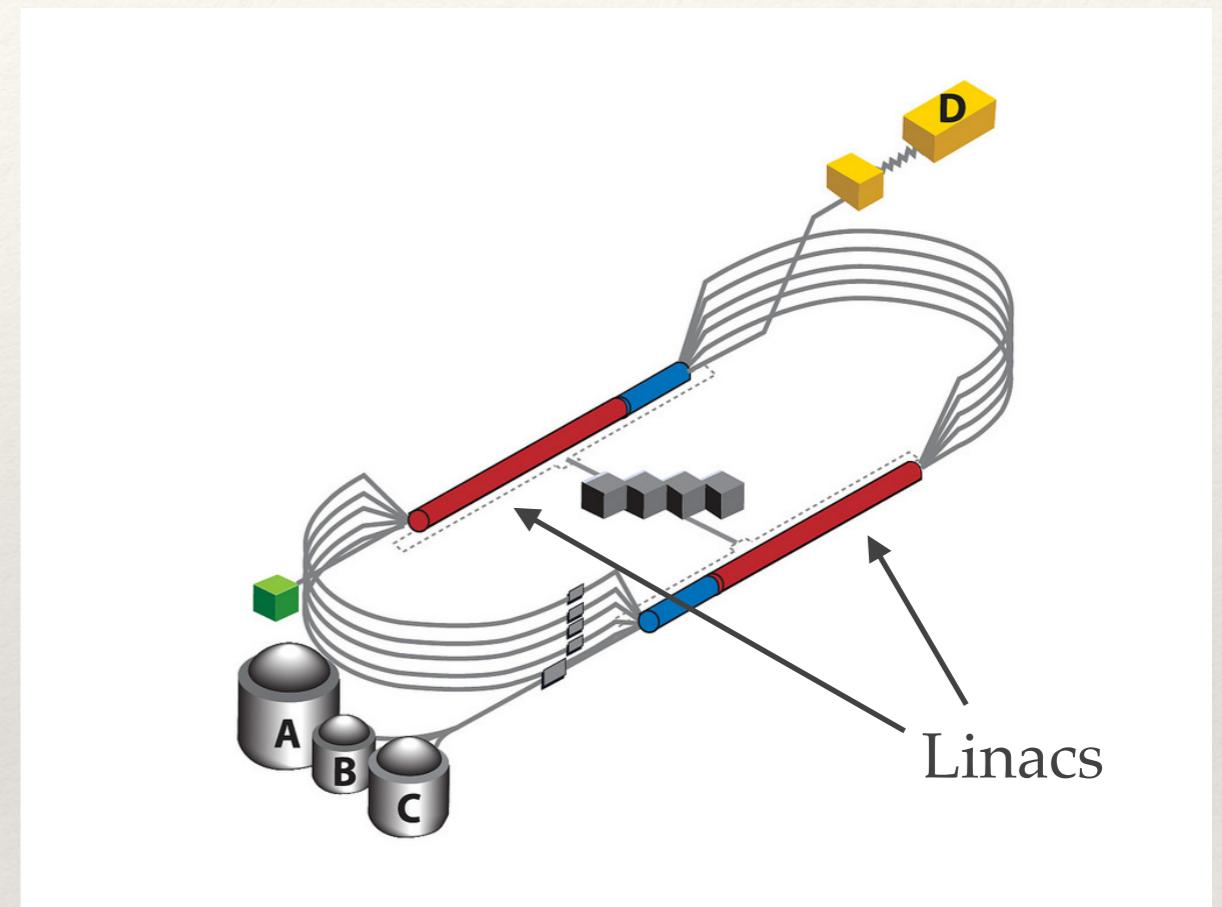
- ❖ GlueX has a unique data set with unprecedented statistical precision in its energy range
- ❖ Start with studying production mechanisms (SDMEs) and develop PWA in parallel
- ❖ $\pi_1(1600)$ upper limits, guide for future searches
- ❖ Many more interesting analyses in the pipeline and room for other physics
 - ❖ Rich hyperon spectrum visible in photoproduction
 - ❖ $\Lambda(1405)$ (R. Schumacher, **Tue 14.00h, parallel III B**)
 - ❖ Cascades and charmonium (S. Dobbs, Fri 11.15h, plenary X)



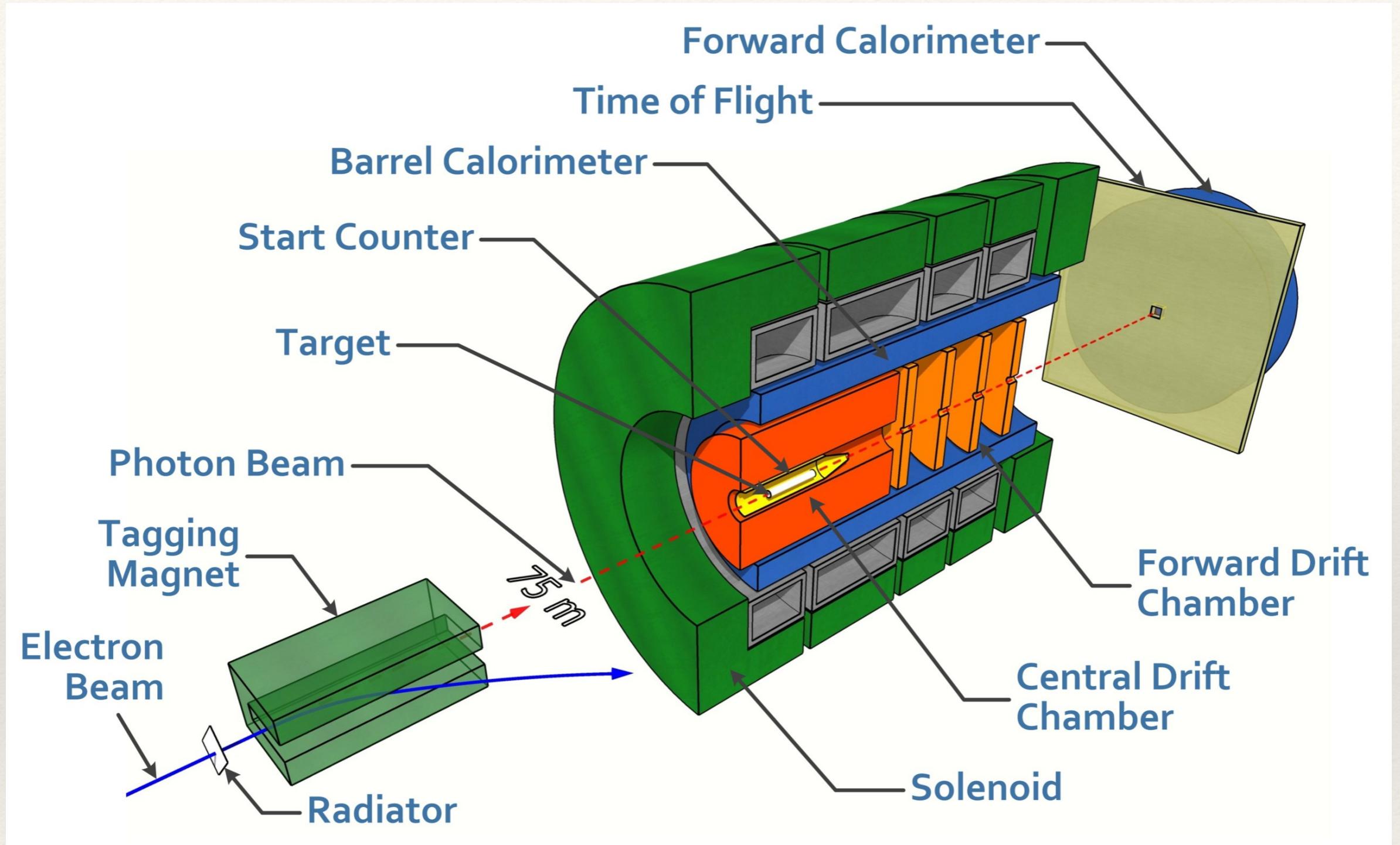
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Search and study of hybrid
mesons



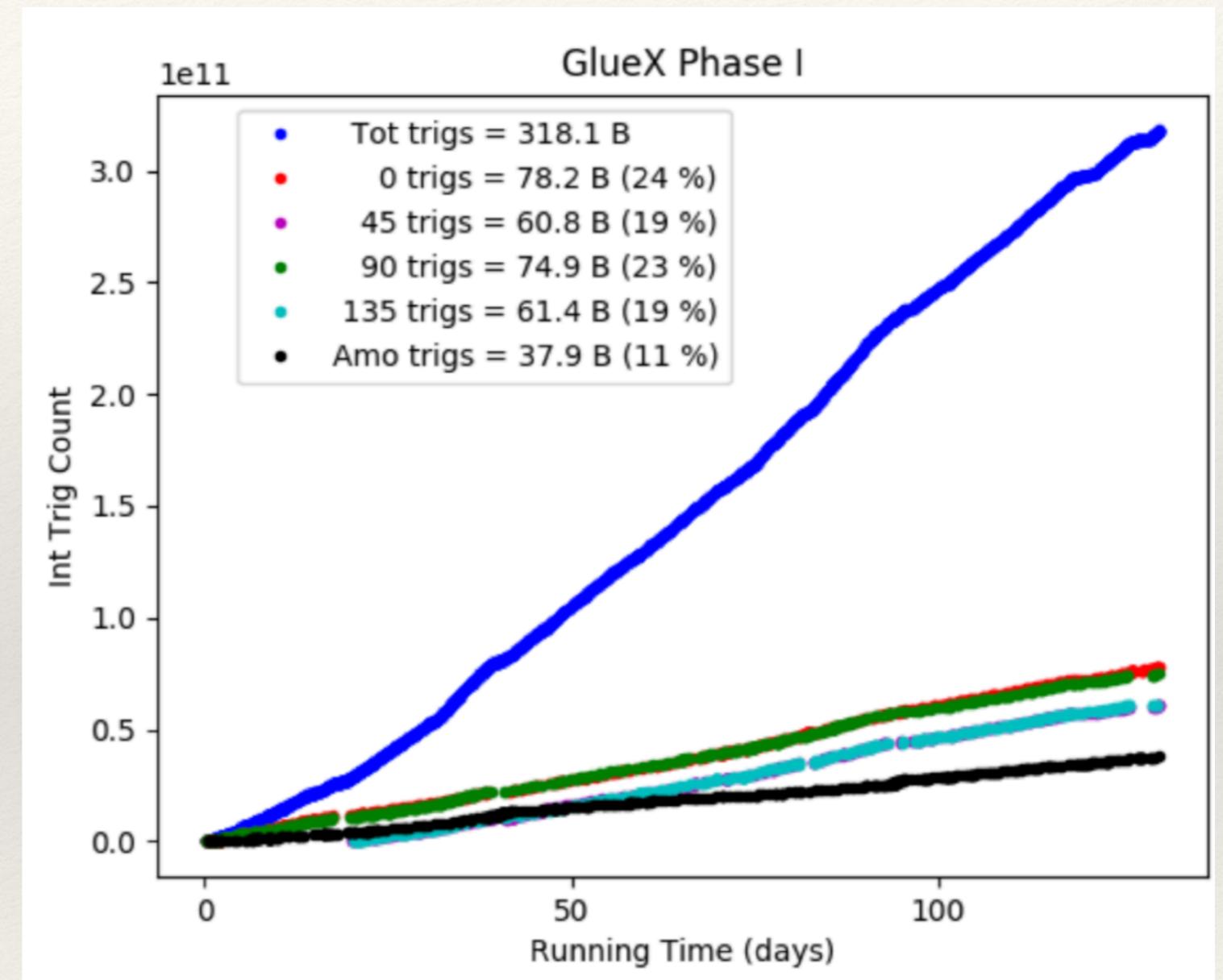
GlueX experiment in Hall D



- ❖ Acceptance: $\theta_{lab} \approx 1^\circ - 120^\circ$
- ❖ Charged particles: $\sigma_p/p \approx 1\% - 3\%$ ($8\% - 9\%$ very-forward high-momentum tracks)
- ❖ Photons: $\sigma_E/E = 6\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 2\%$

GlueX experiment

- ❖ Spring 2016
 - ❖ Engineering run
- ❖ Spring 2017
 - ❖ 20% of GlueX-I
- ❖ Spring 2018
 - ❖ 50% of GlueX-I
- ❖ Fall 2018
 - ❖ 30% of GlueX-I



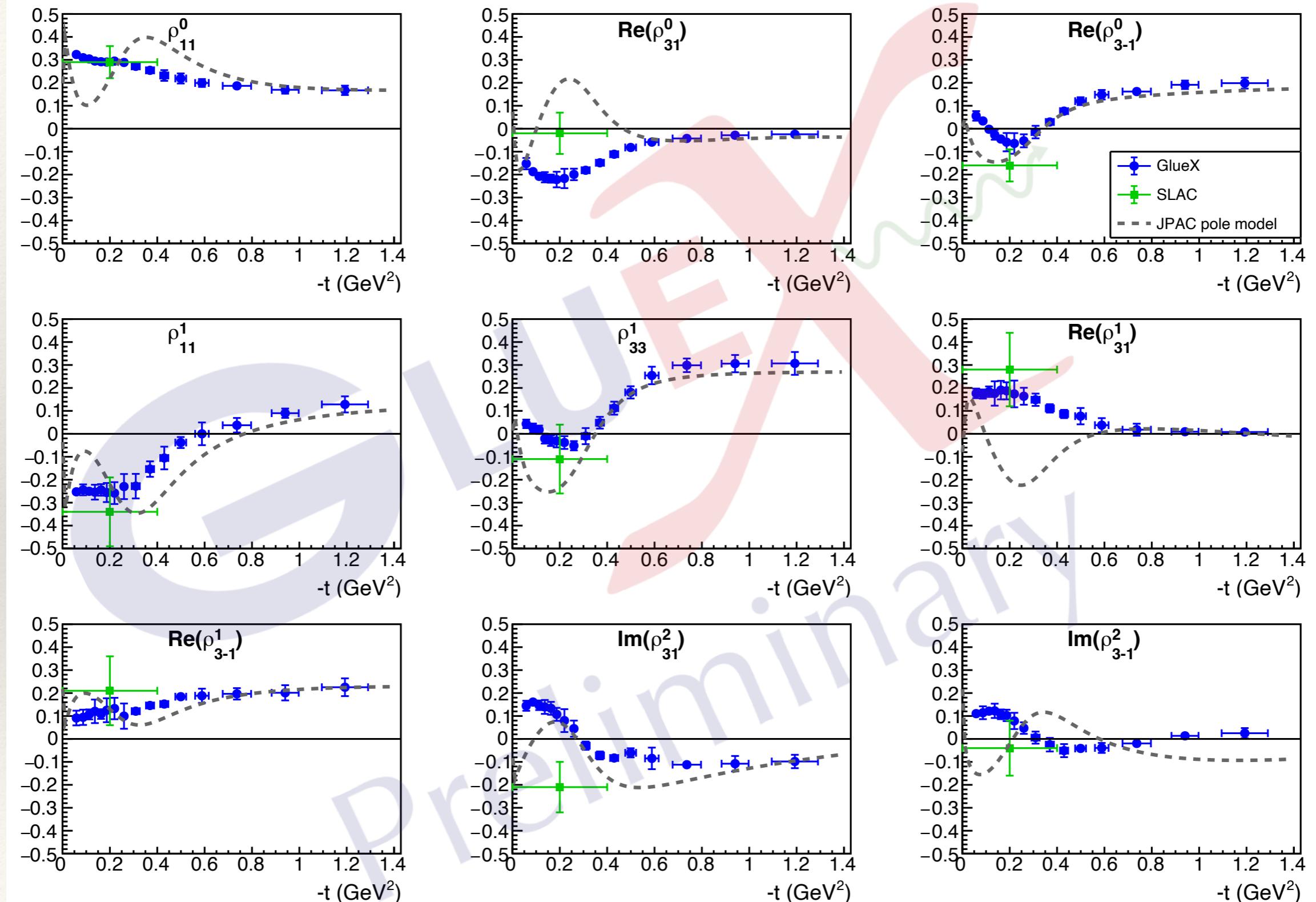
121 pb^{-1} in coherent peak

From 2019 onwards:
GlueX-II incl. DIRC

$\Delta^{++}(1232)$ SDMEs

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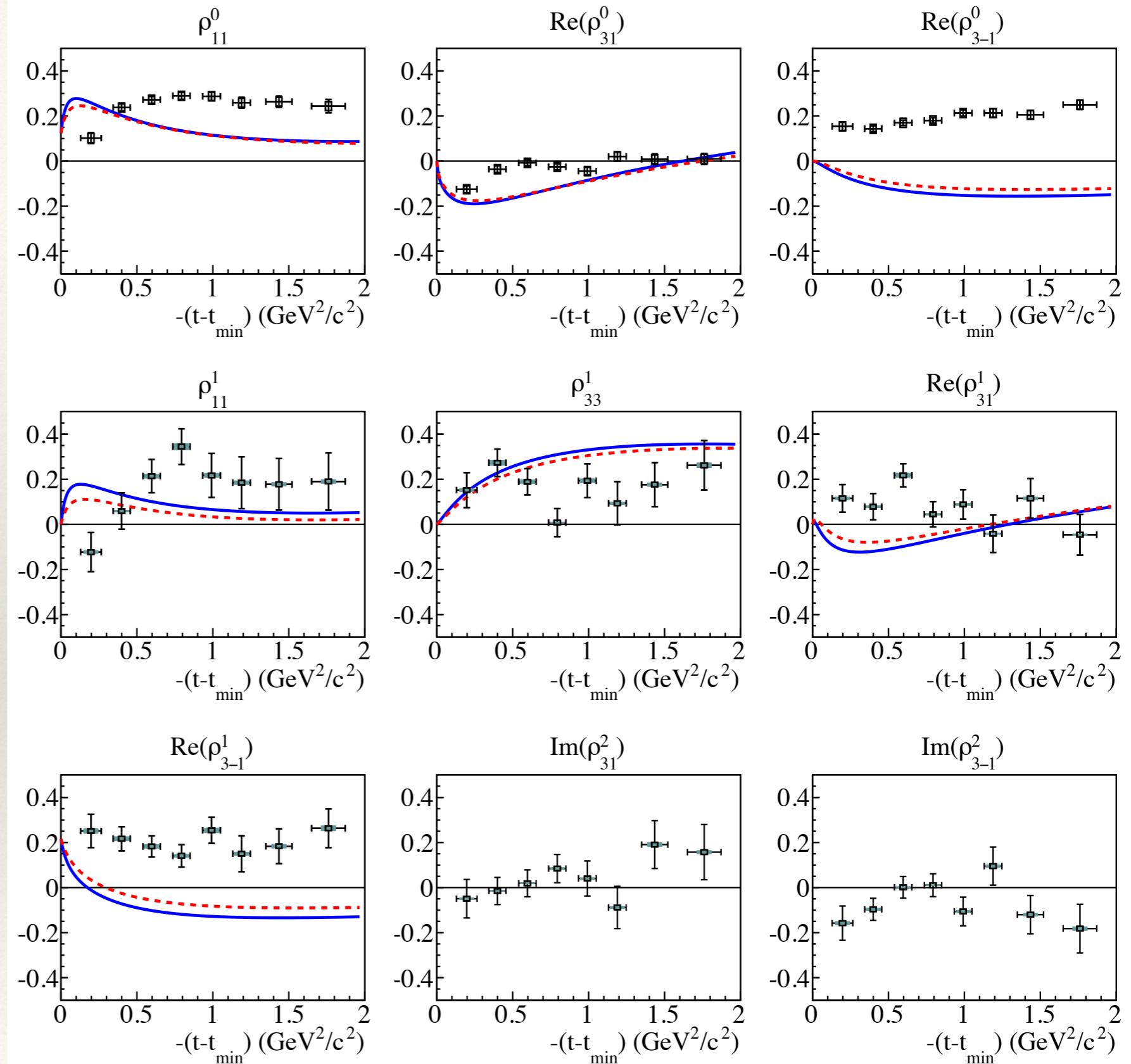
$$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^- \Delta^{++}(1232) \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ p$$



$\Lambda(1520)$ SDMEs

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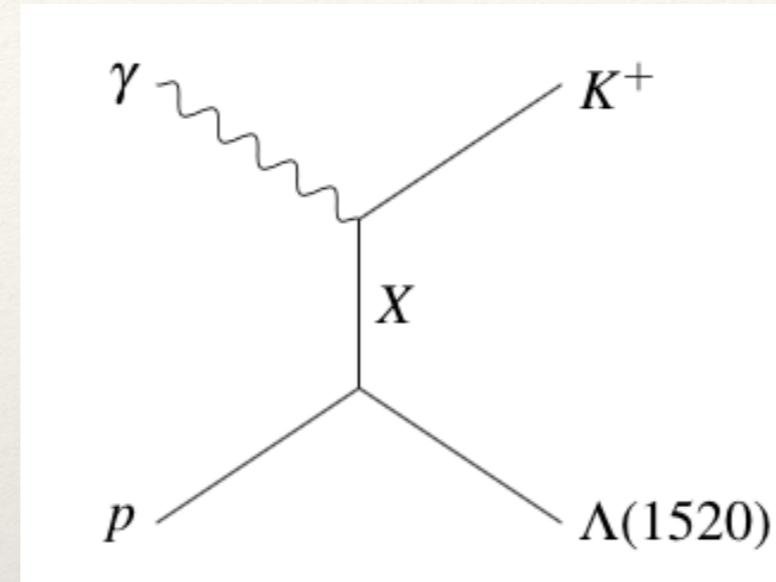
- ❖ So far, sparse data at high energies
- ❖ red and blue show model predictions in Reggeized framework (priv. comm. based on [1])
- ❖ these measurements constrain models in the future



$\Lambda(1520)$ SDME Interpretation

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- ❖ to help with interpretation form combinations of SDMEs which correspond to purely natural (N) and purely unnatural (U) exchange amplitudes



X is exchange particle with spin-parity quantum number J^P and naturality $\eta = P(-1)^J$

Natural: e.g. $K^*(892)$, $K_2^*(1430)$

Unnatural: e.g. $K(492)$, $K_1(1270)$

$$\rho_{11}^0 + \rho_{11}^1 = \frac{2}{N}(|N_0|^2 + |N_1|^2)$$

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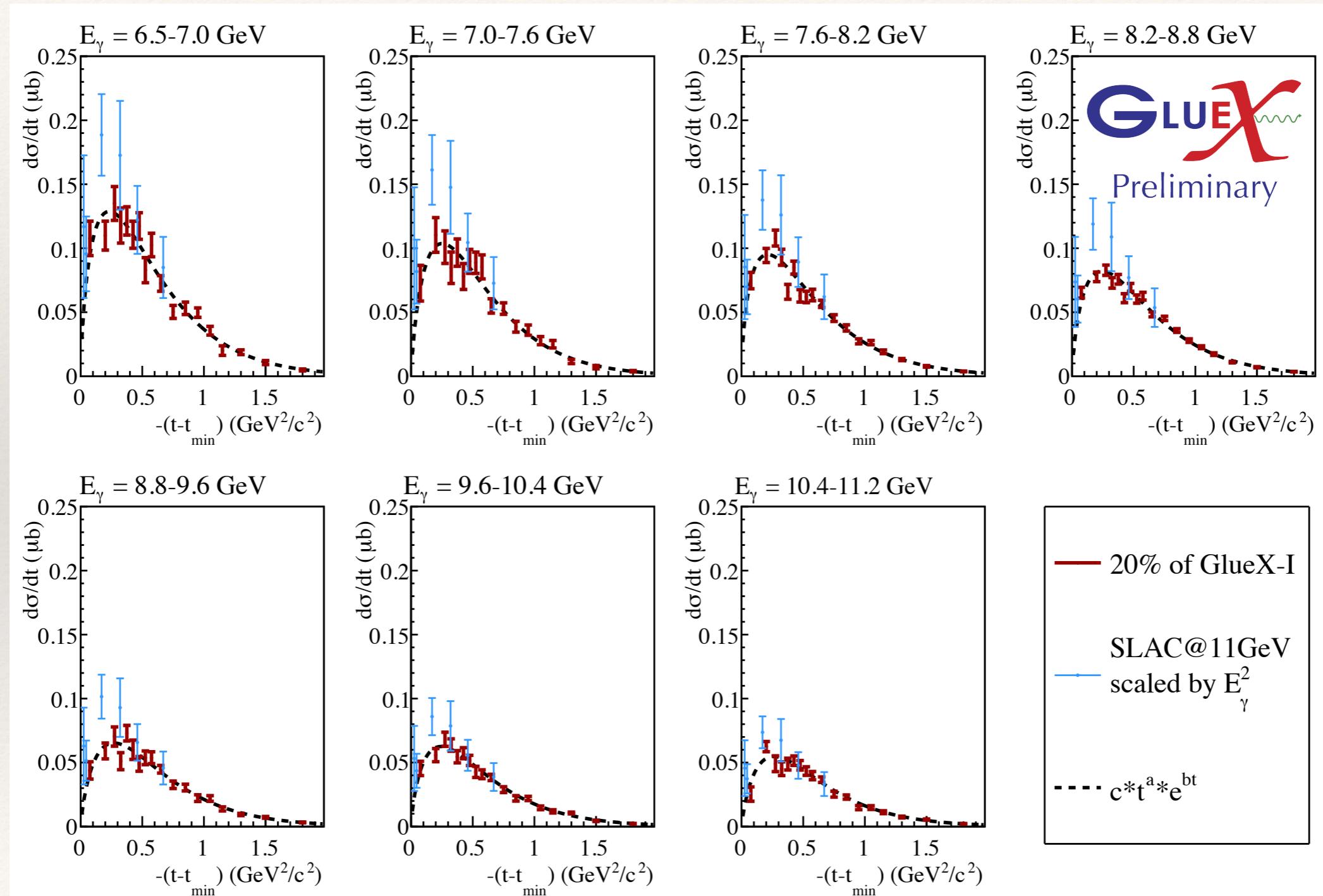
$$\text{Re}(\rho_{3-1}^0 - \rho_{3-1}^1) = \frac{2}{N}(U_{-1}U_1^* + U_2U_0^*)$$

$$N = 2(|N_{-1}|^2 + |N_0|^2 + |N_1|^2 + |N_2|^2 + |U_{-1}|^2 + |U_0|^2 + |U_1|^2 + |U_2|^2)$$

$\Lambda(1520)$ cross-sections

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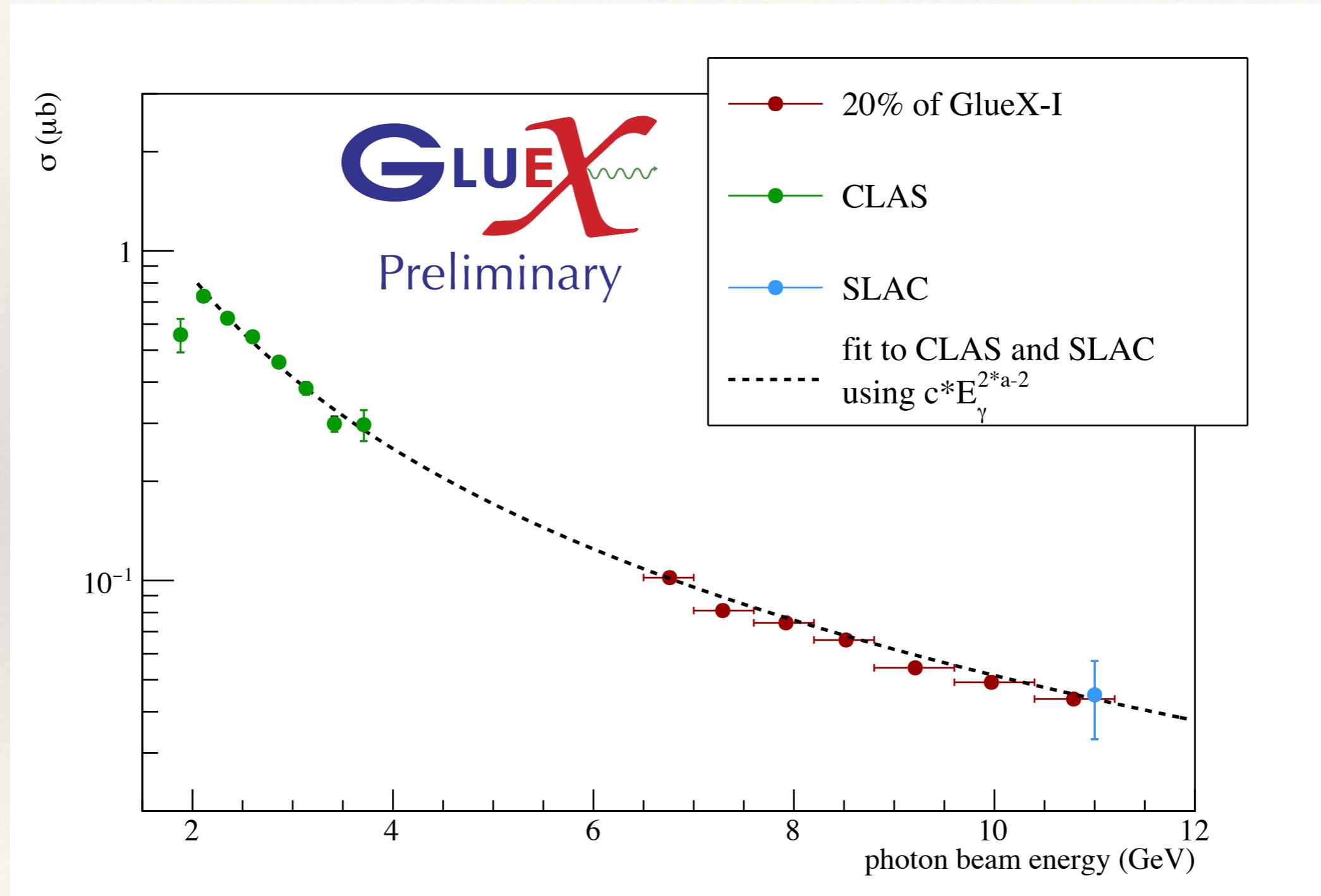
- ❖ To get full picture of production we need couplings: measure cross-sections
- ❖ Fit t-distribution and integrate to get “total cross-section”



$\Lambda(1520)$ cross-sections

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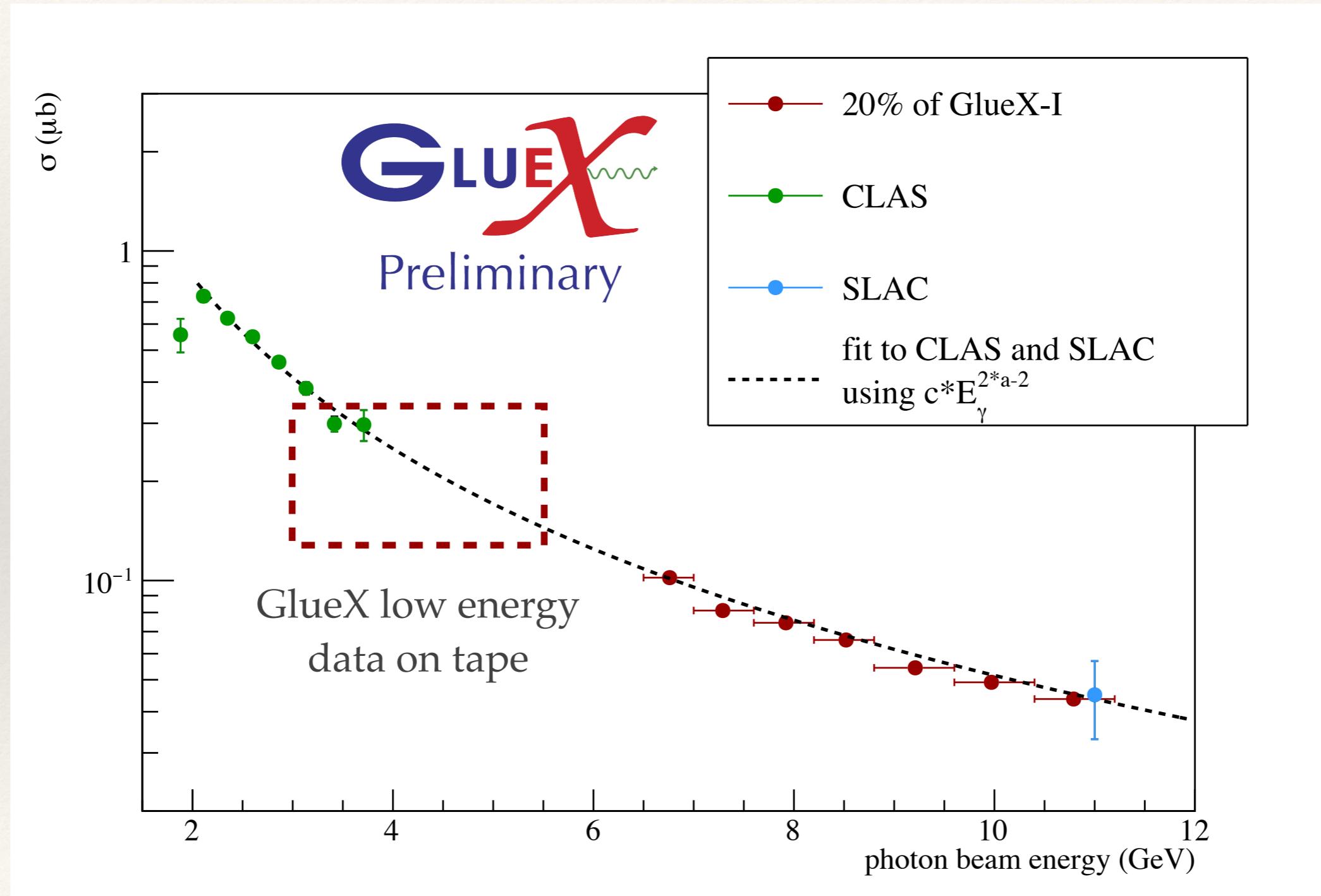
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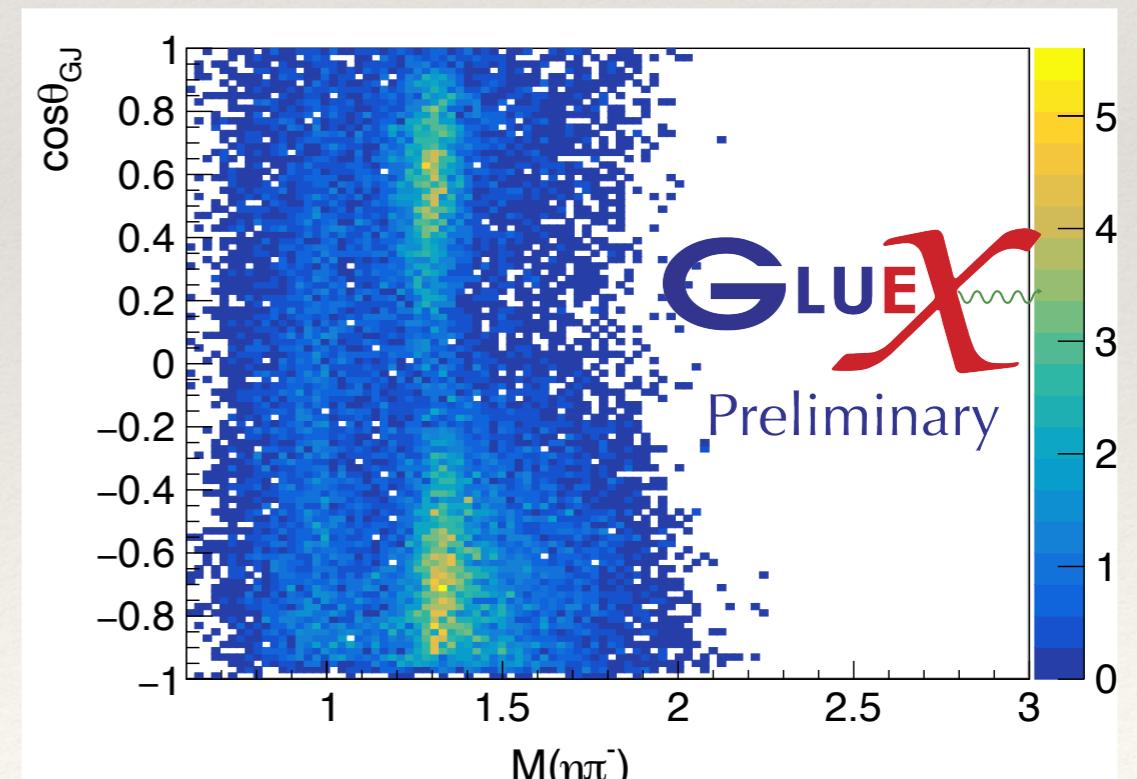
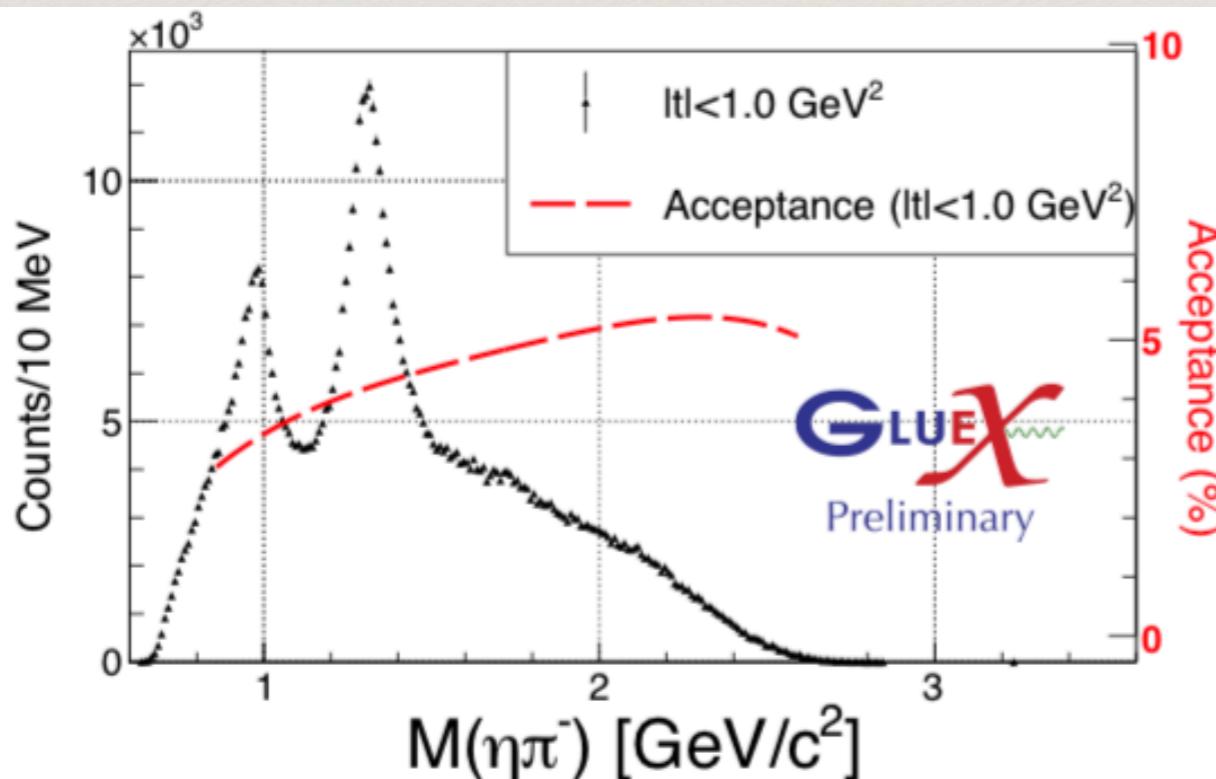
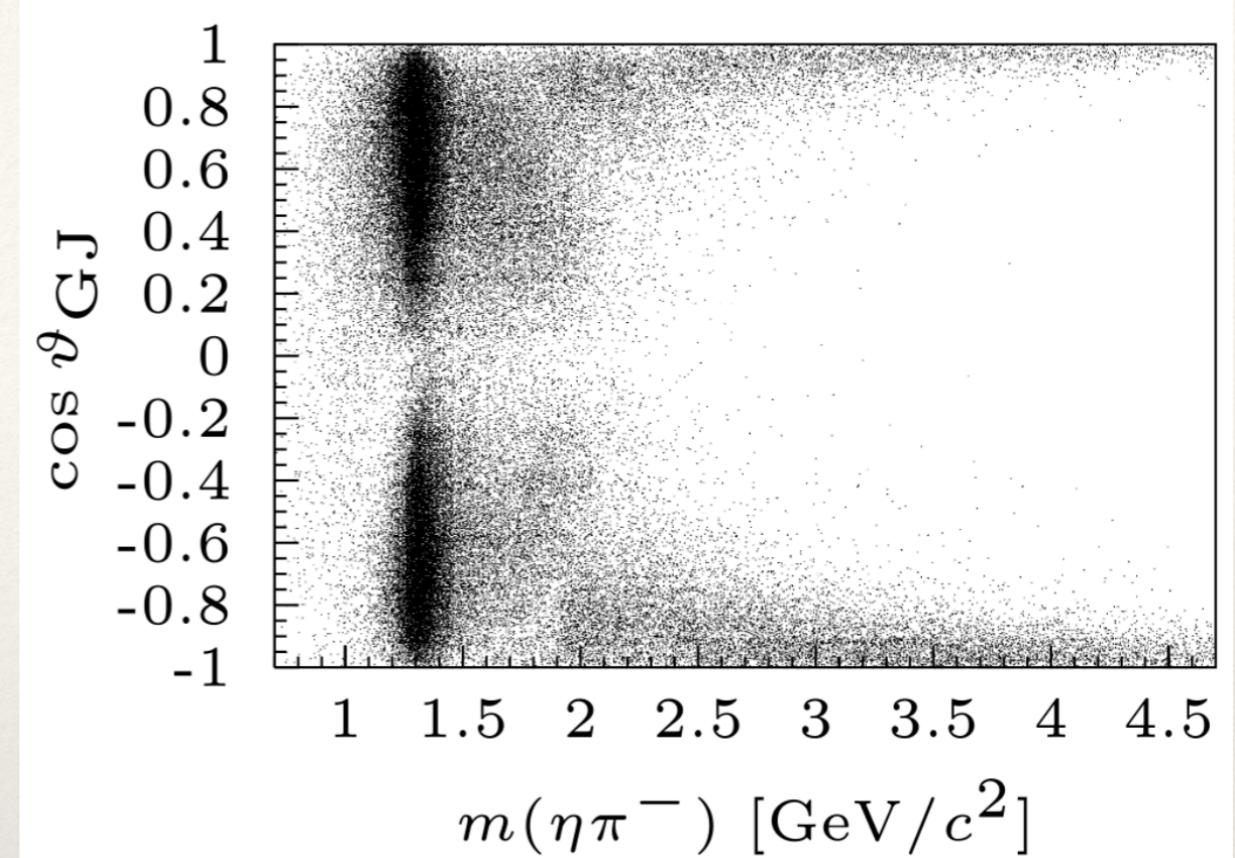
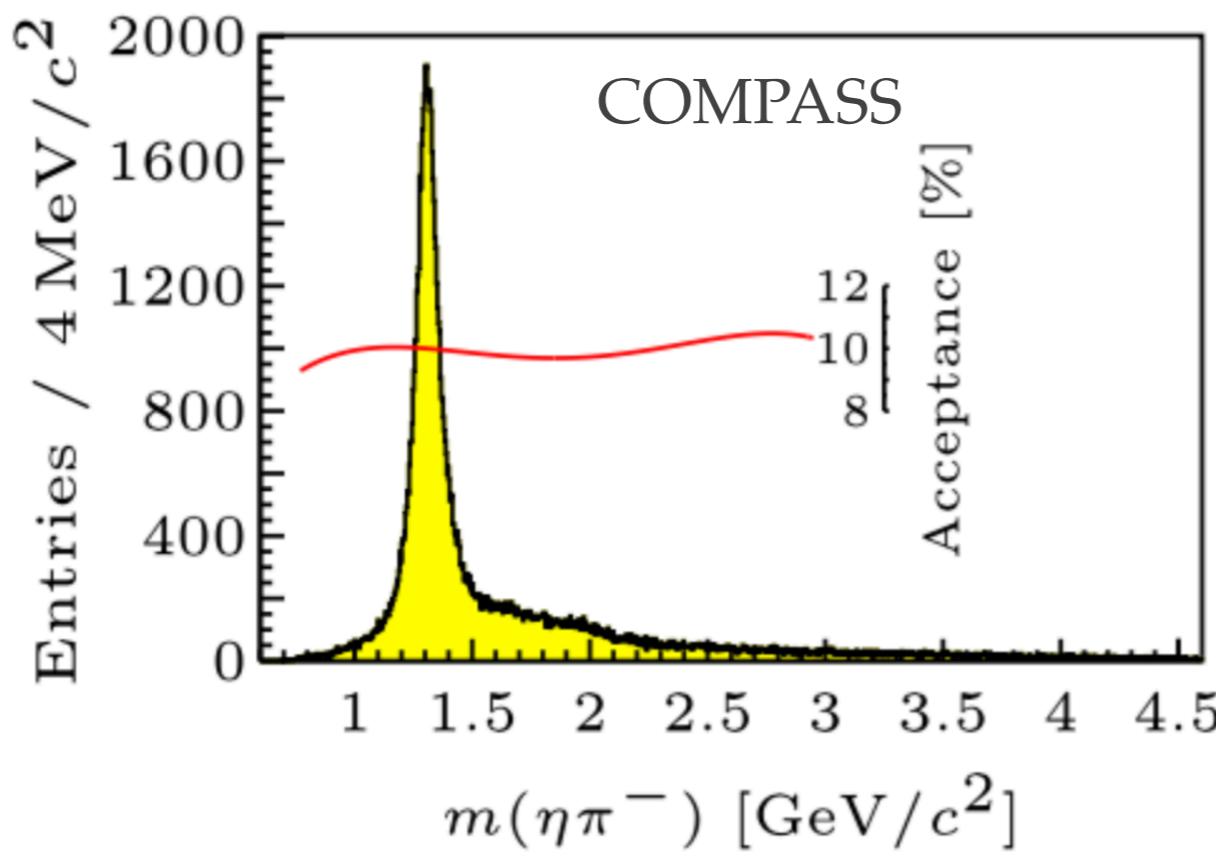
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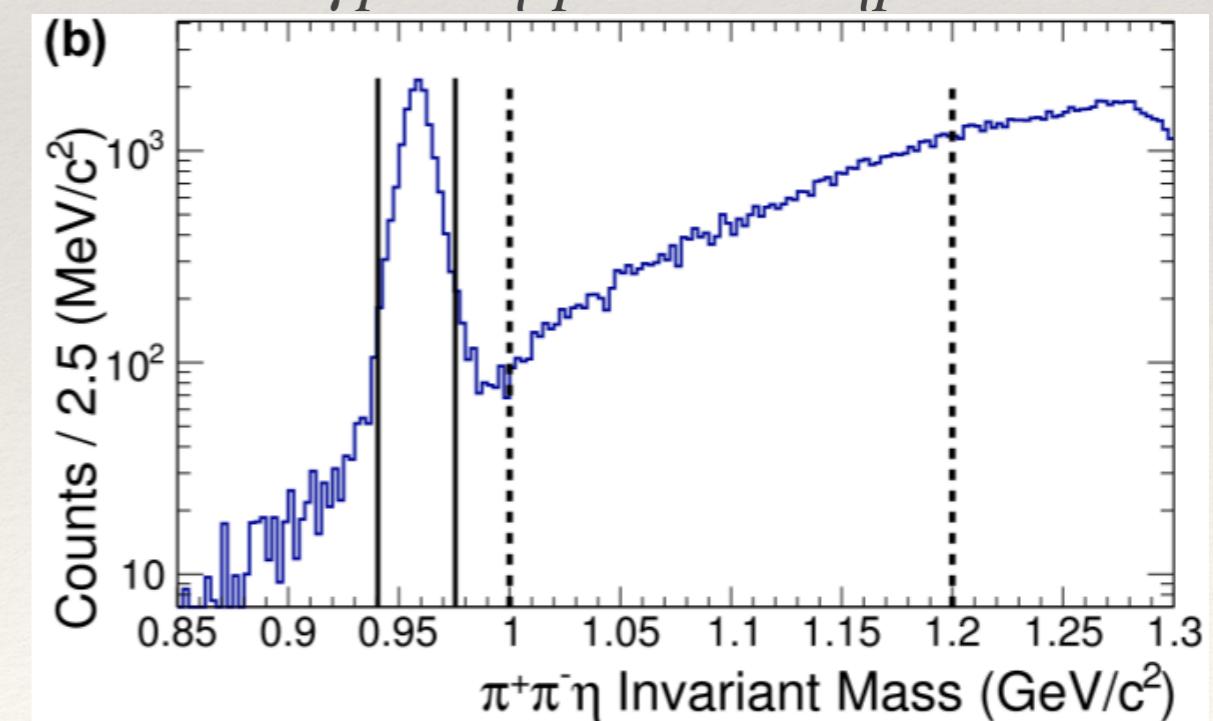
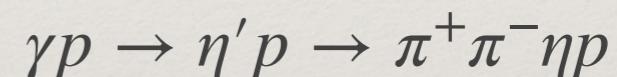
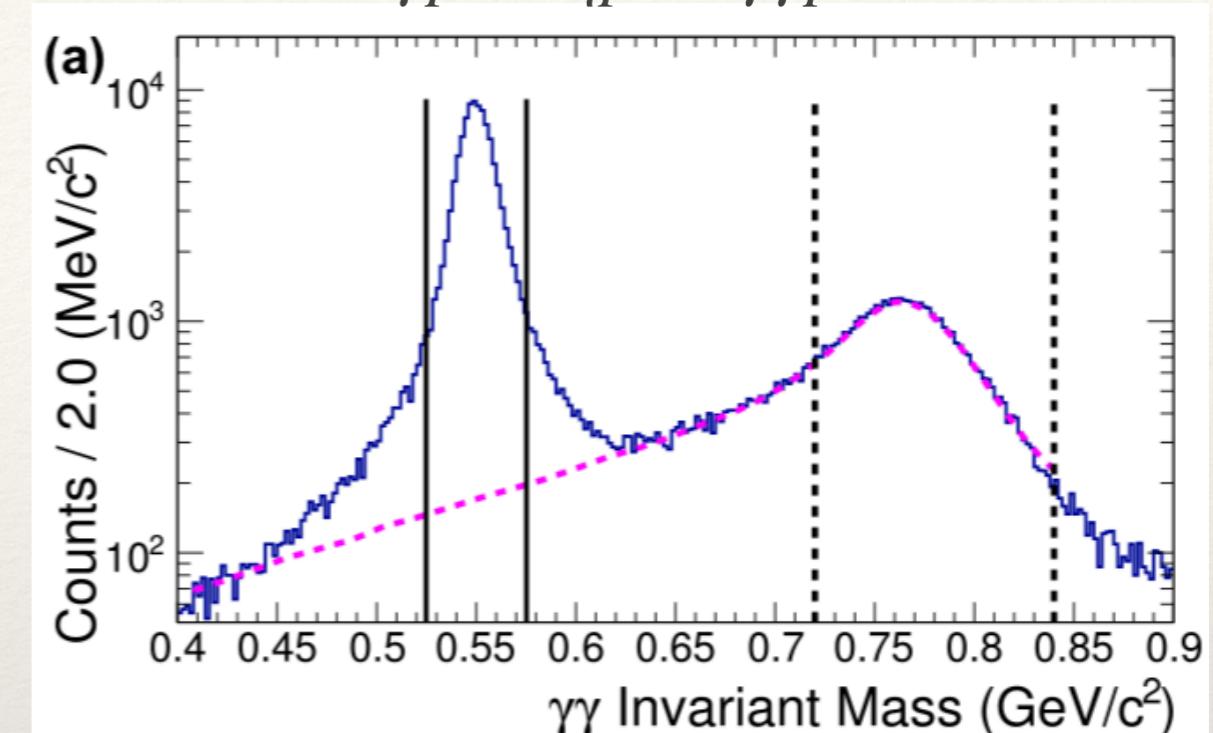
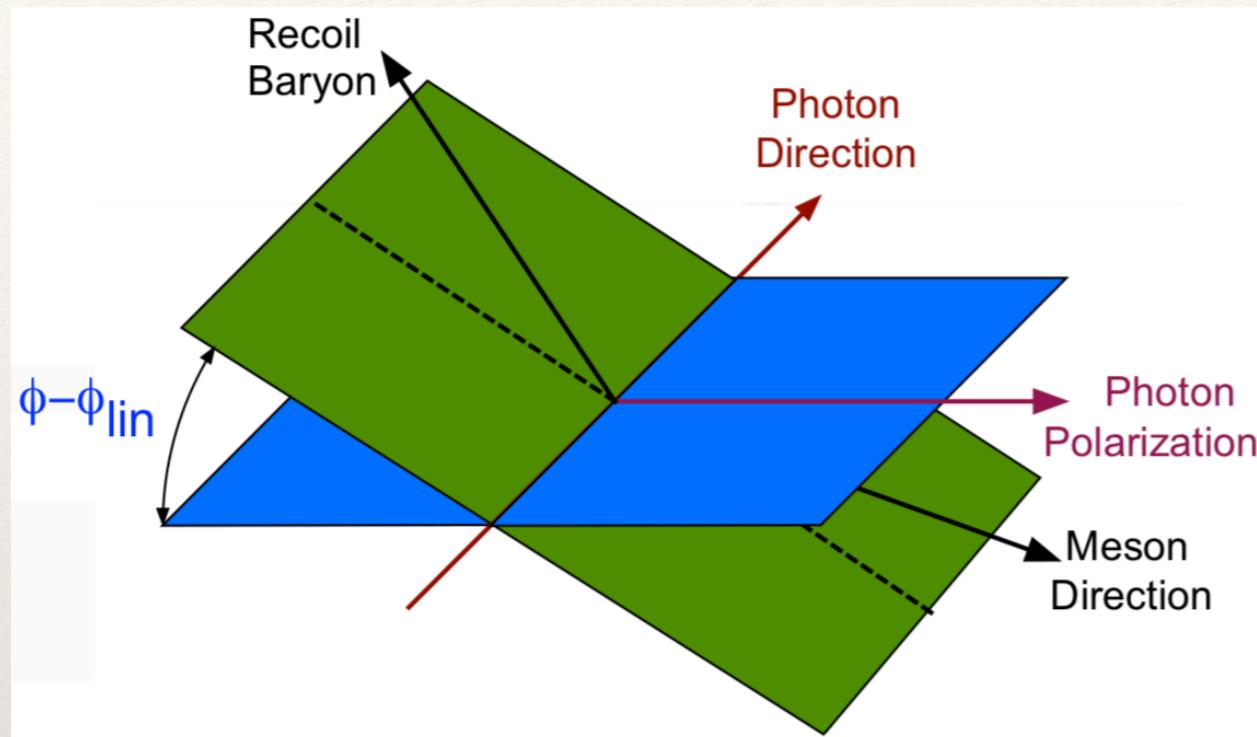
Hybrid search in $\eta\pi^-$

COMPASS, *Phys. Lett. B* 740 (2015) 303–311



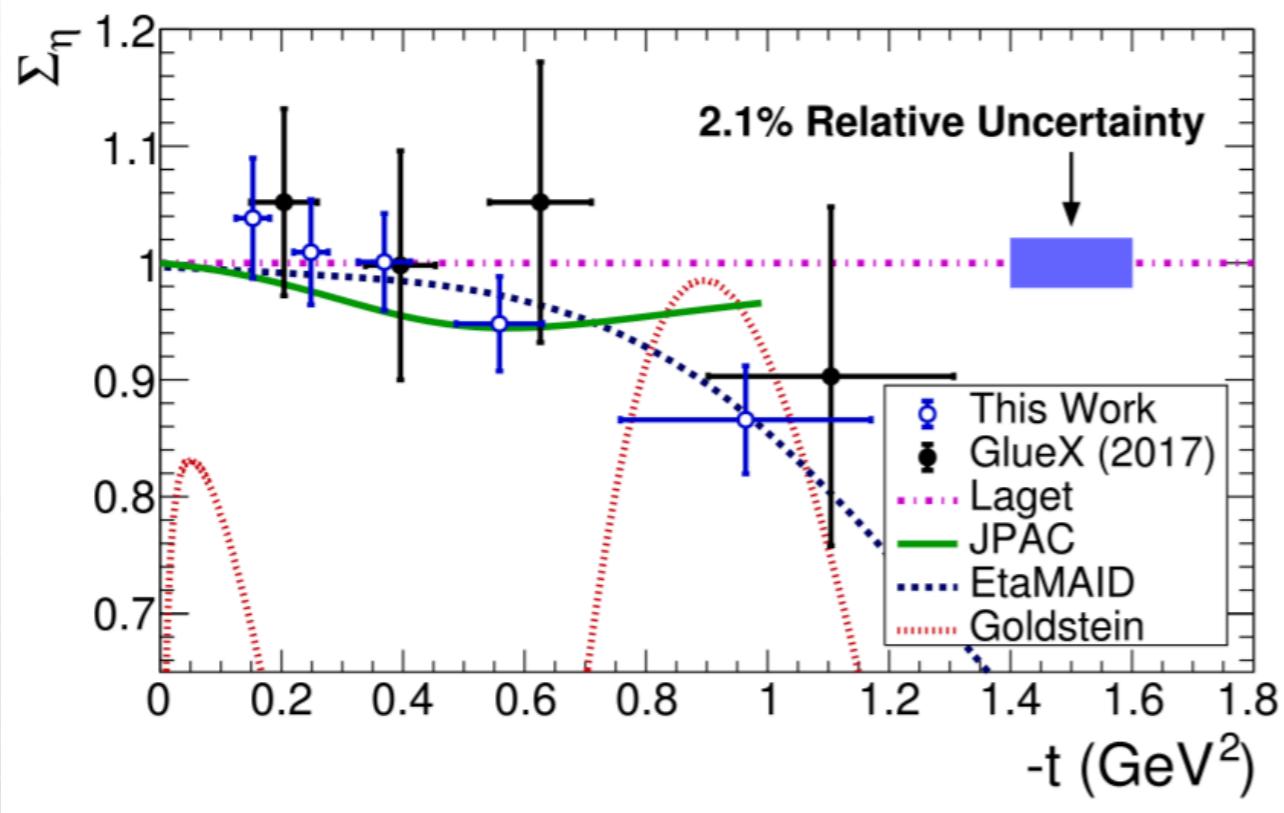
η/η' beam asymmetry

$$\sigma(\phi) \sim 1 - P_\gamma \Sigma \cos 2(\phi - \phi_{lin})$$

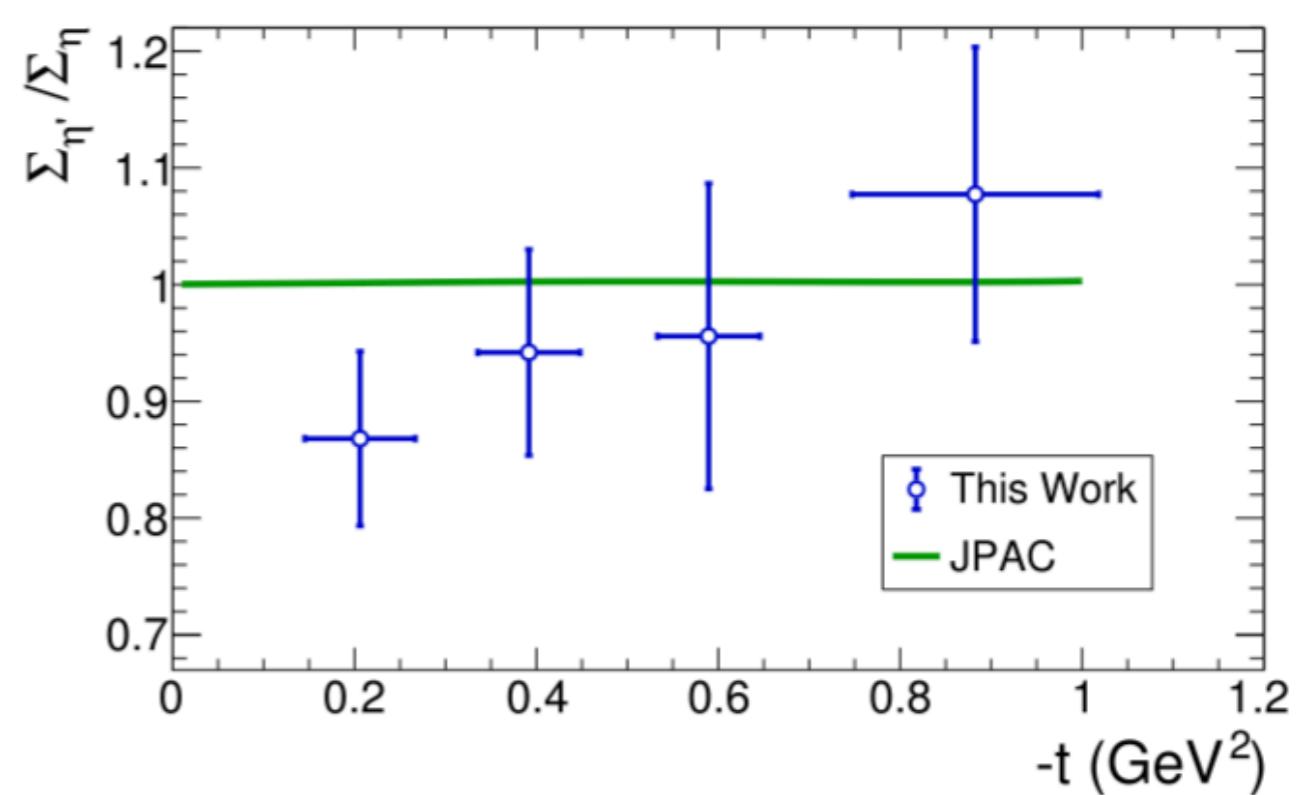
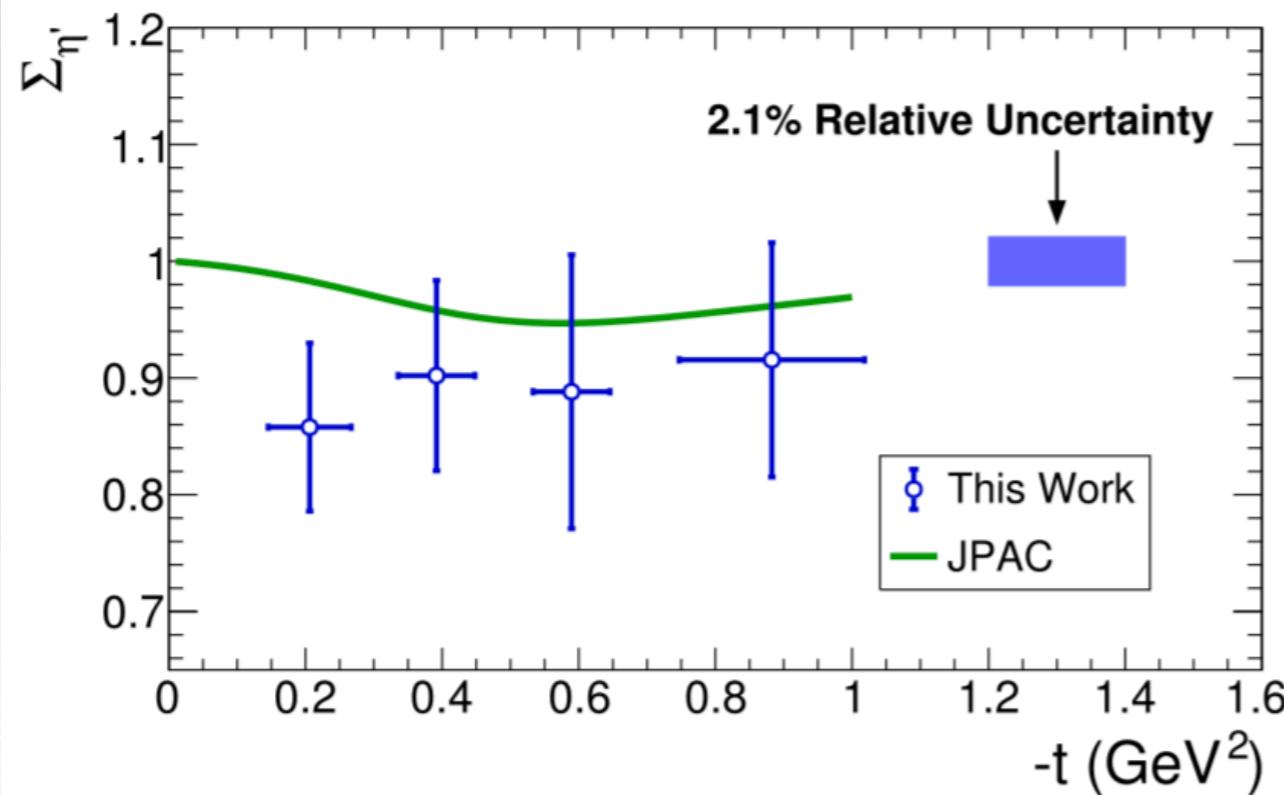


- ❖ measure photon beam asymmetry
 Σ to learn about t-channel Reggeon exchange
- ❖ ratio of $\Sigma_{\eta'}/\Sigma_\eta$ provides information on $s\bar{s}$ exchange

η/η' beam asymmetry

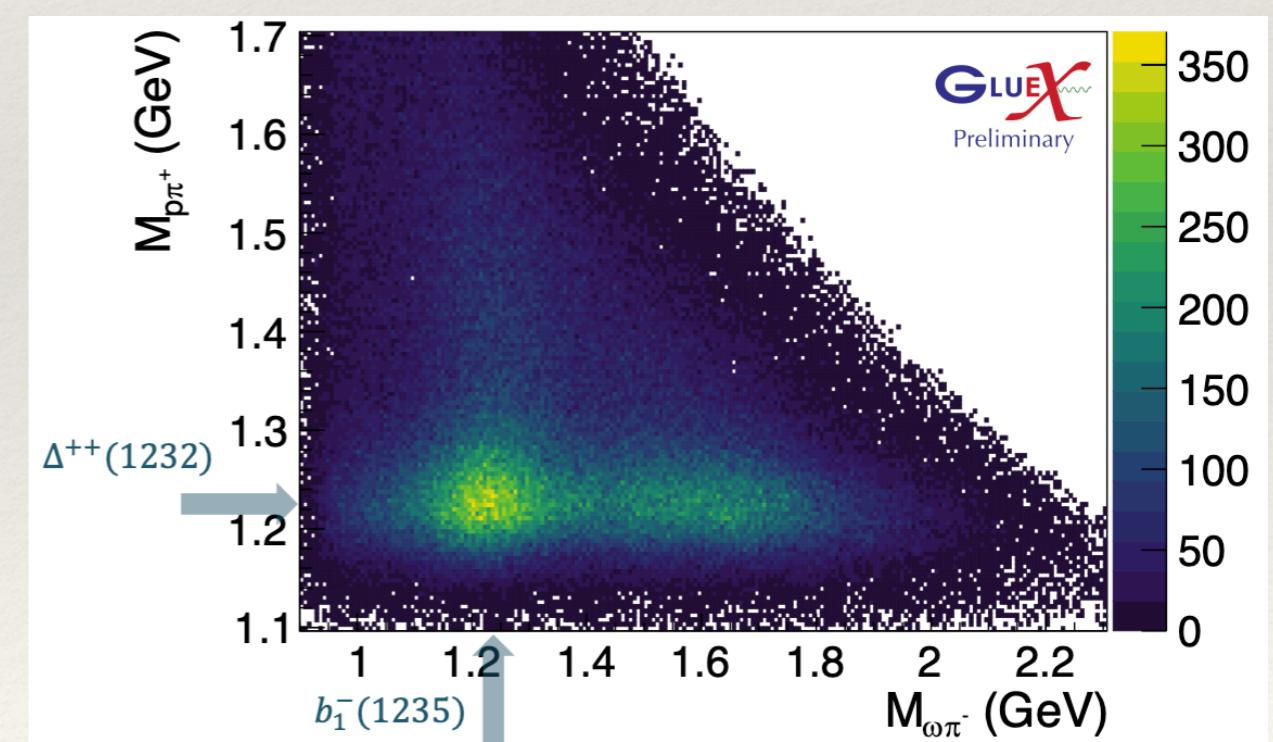
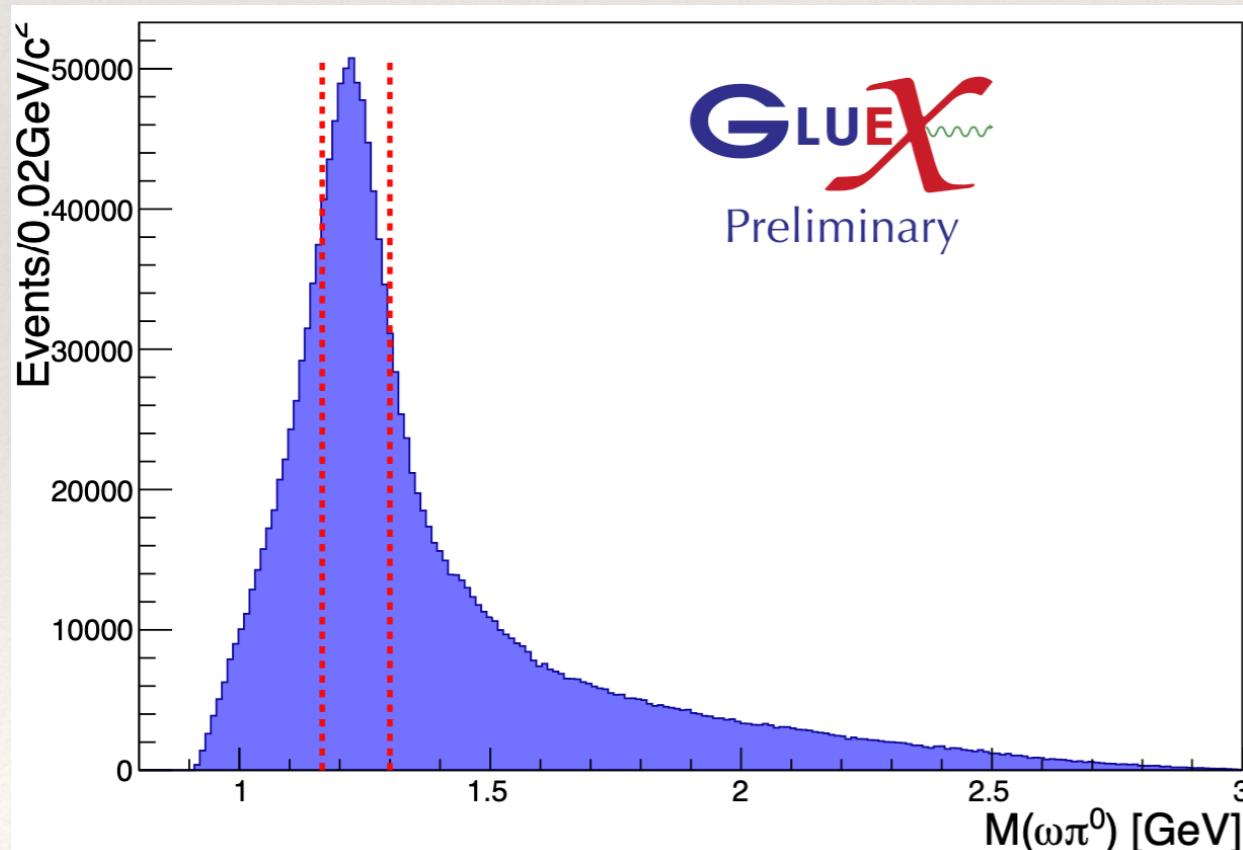


- ❖ vector exchange dominating
- ❖ ratio indicates no substantial $s\bar{s}$ component in exchange



b_1 decay

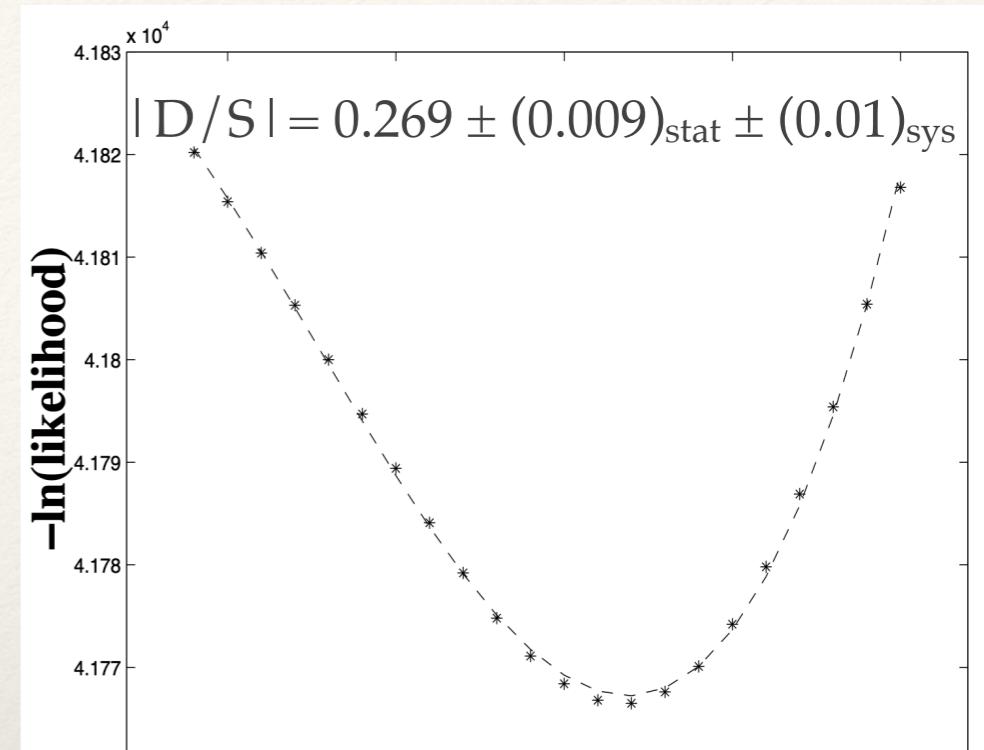
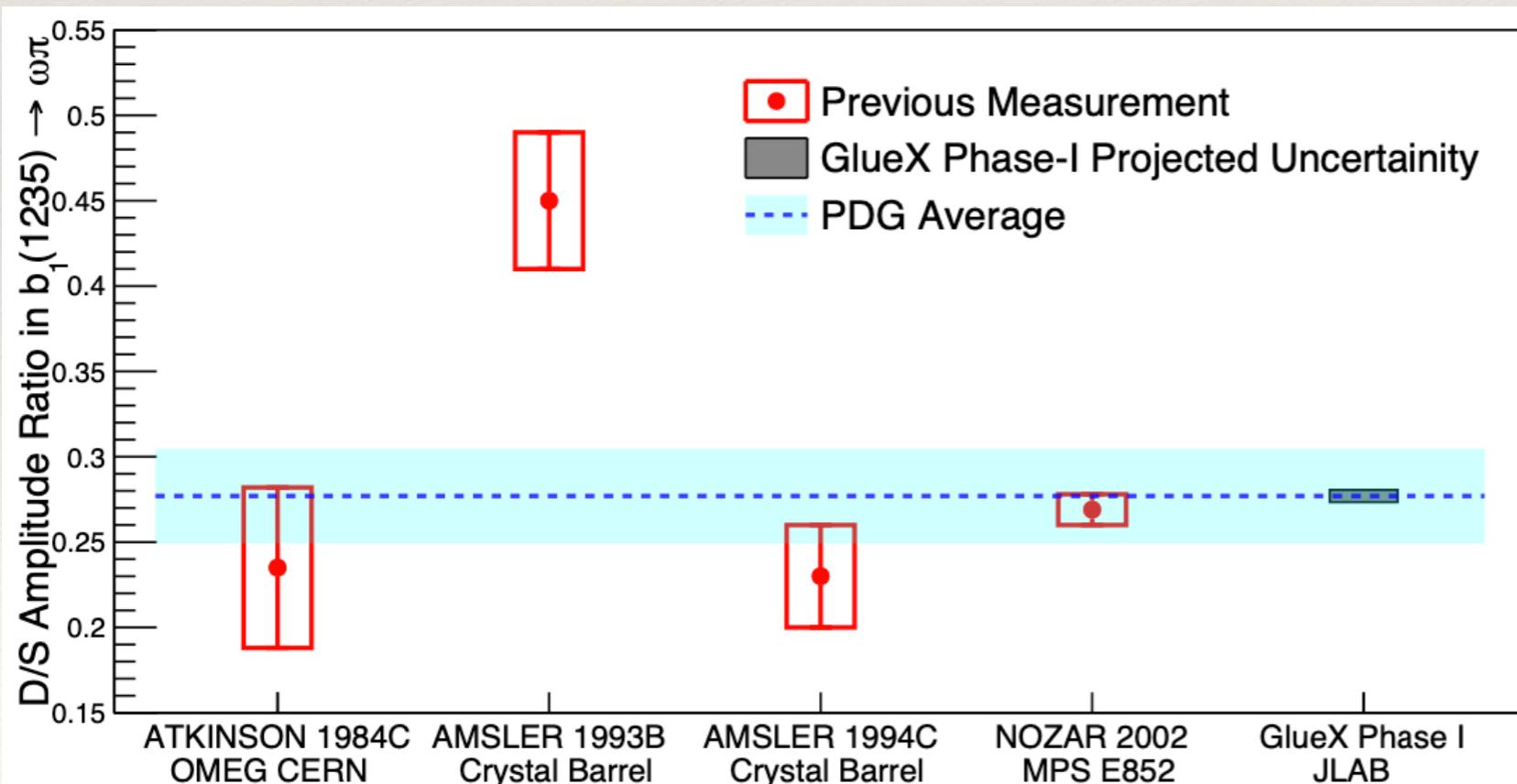
- ❖ LQCD: $b_1\pi$ is dominating decay mode of 1^{-+} exotic
- ❖ First step: study b_1
 - ❖ $\gamma p \rightarrow b_1 p \rightarrow \omega \pi^0 p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0 p$
 - ❖ $\gamma p \rightarrow b_1^- \Delta^{++} \rightarrow \omega \pi^- \Delta^{++} \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^- \pi^+ p$



b_1 decay

- ❖ Start by measuring D/S amplitude ratio
- ❖ LQCD prediction by hadspec of
 $|D/S| = 0.27(20)$

hadspec, Phys. Rev. D 100, 054506 (2019)



E852, Phys. Lett. B 541, 35 (2002)

- ❖ Good first test of amplitude model
- ❖ Can be expanded to all vector-pseudoscalar systems ($\omega\eta, \phi\pi, \phi\eta, \dots$)