

# Truncated partial-wave analysis using Bayesian statistics

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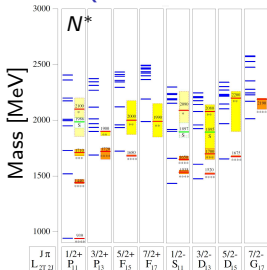
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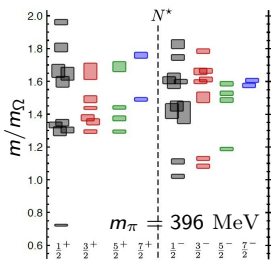
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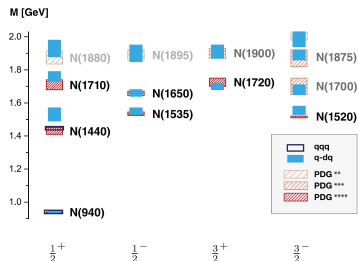
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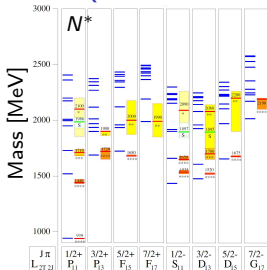
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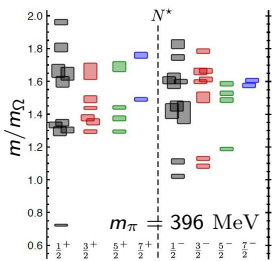
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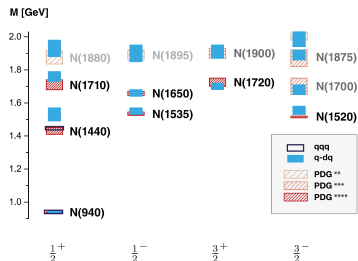
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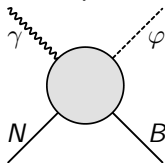
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Extract resonances from scattering-data via partial-wave analysis (PWA)

- \* Energy-dependent PWA: Reaction theoretic models; extract resonance poles in complex energy-plane; [BnGa], [JüBo], ...
- \* Single-energy PWA: Extract partial waves themselves at discrete energies on the real energy-axis  $\hookrightarrow$  This work (!):  $\eta$  photoproduction  $\gamma N \rightarrow \eta N$

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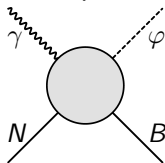

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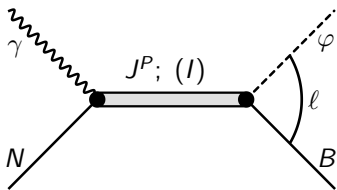
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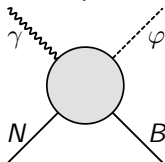
\*)  $J = |\ell \pm 1/2|$ ,  $P = (-)^{\ell+1}$ .

\*) s-chn. resonance  $J^P; (I)$

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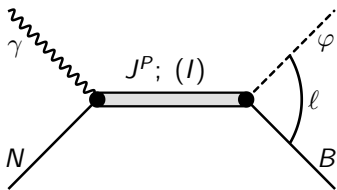
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In practice:

Truncate at some finite  $\ell_{\max}$

→ Try to extract the  $4\ell_{\max}$  complex multipoles in a fit to the data.

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$$\{E_{0+}, E_{1+}, M_{1+}, M_{1-}, E_{2+}, E_{2-}, \dots, M_{\ell_{\max}-}\}.$$

\*) Multipoles determined up to 1 overall phase (!):

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times 4\ell_{\max} - 1 = \underline{8\ell_{\max} - 1} \text{ parameters in the TPWA.}$$



# Polarization observables

Observable	Transversity representation	Type
$\sigma_0$	$\frac{1}{2} ( b_1 ^2 +  b_2 ^2 +  b_3 ^2 +  b_4 ^2)$	$S$
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$\check{H}$	$-\text{Re} [b_1 b_3^* - b_2 b_4^*]$	
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\*) Transversity amplitudes:  
 $b_i = \sum_j M_{ij} F_j$ .

(Different scheme of  
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$$\check{\Omega}^\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} b_i^* \check{\Gamma}_{ij}^\alpha b_j.$$

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↪ The complex conjugation of roots leaves the group  $\mathcal{S}$  invariant:

$$(t - \alpha^*)(t - \alpha) \xrightarrow{\alpha \rightarrow \alpha^*} (t - [\alpha^*]^*)(t - \alpha^*) = (t - \alpha^*)(t - \alpha).$$

⇒ Mechanism can result in *multiple 'solutions' (or 'modes')* of single-energy fit!

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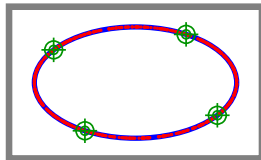
→ *Marginalize*:  $p(\theta_i|\mathbf{y}) = \int \dots \int d\theta_1 \dots d\theta_{i-1} d\theta_{i+1} \dots d\theta_D p(\theta_1 \dots \theta_D|\mathbf{y})$ ,

→ Complicated integrals! Use (Markov chain) Monte Carlo methods ...



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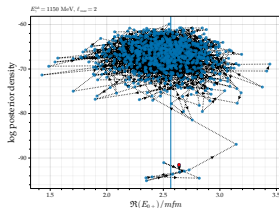
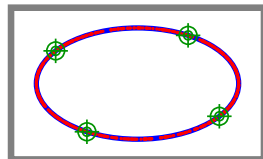
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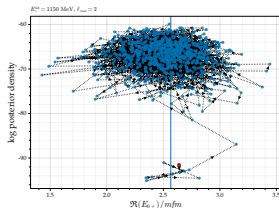
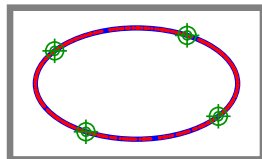
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## III. Monte Carlo convergence diagnostics:

- Cluster the chains into groups according to their sampled parameter space (calculate vector of quantiles for each chain → evaluate distance-matrix among quantile-vectors → input to DBSCAN-algorithm),  
→ Apply MC convergence diagnostics ( $\hat{R}$ -statistic, MC standard error) to *each group individually*.



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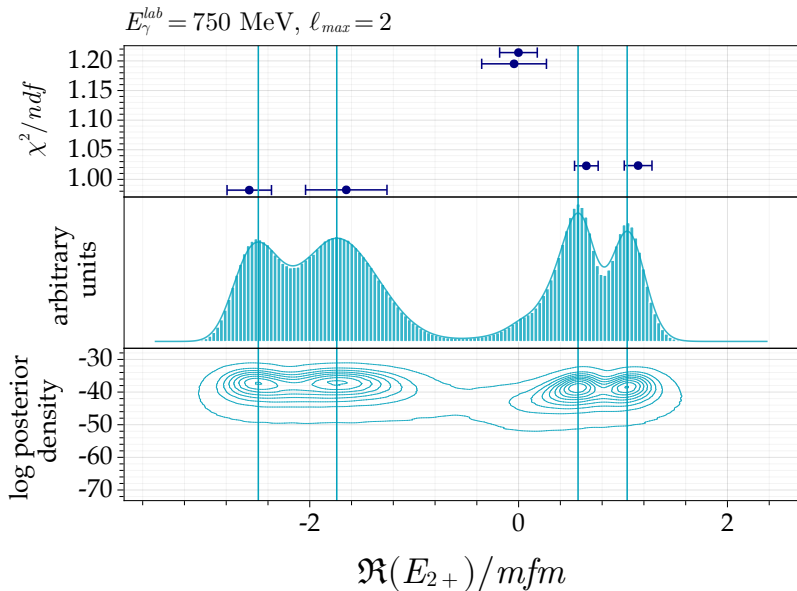
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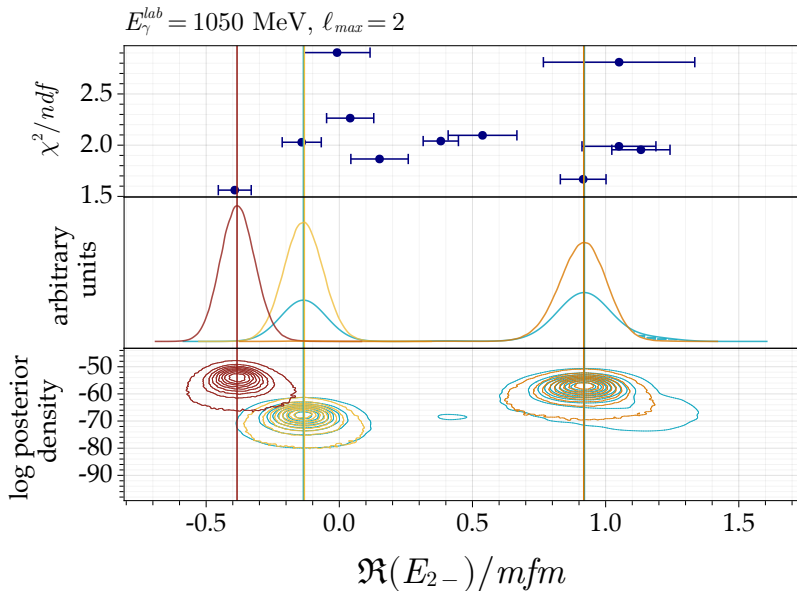
Observable	No. of datapoints	Exp. facility	References
$\sigma_0$	5736	MAMI	[Kashevarov et al., PRL <b>118</b> , 212001 (2017)]
$T, F$	144	MAMI	[Akondi et al., PRL <b>113</b> , 102001 (2014)]
$\Sigma$	140	GRAAL	[Bartalini et al., EPJ A <b>33</b> , 169 (2007)]
$E$	84	MAMI	[F. Afzal, PhD thesis, ULB Bonn (2019)]
$G$	47	CBELSA/TAPS	[Müller et al., Phys. Lett. B <b>803</b> , 135323 (2020)]

[cf.: P. Kroenert, YW, F. Afzal and A. Thiel, Phys. Rev. C **109**, no.4, 045206 (2024)]

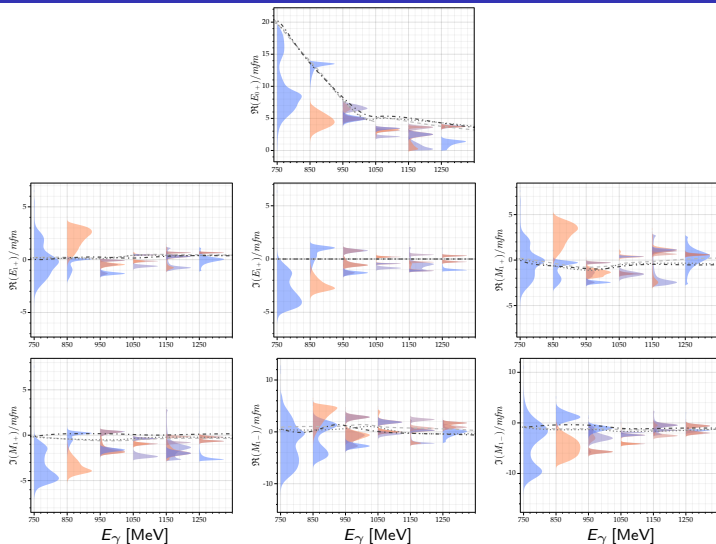
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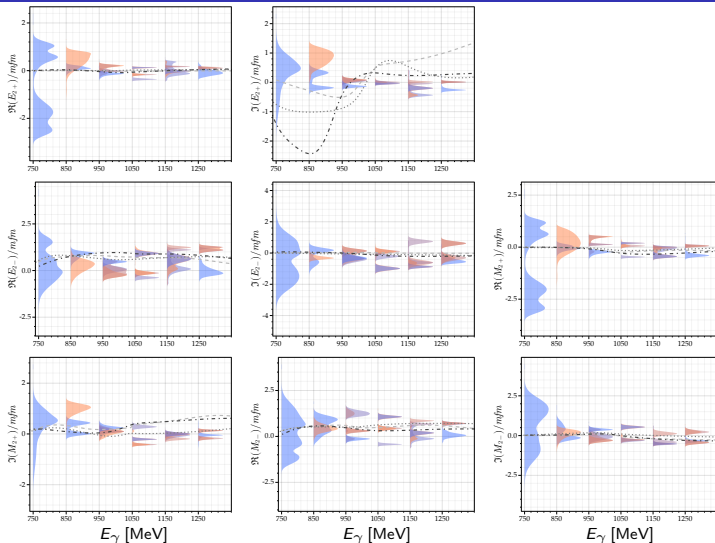
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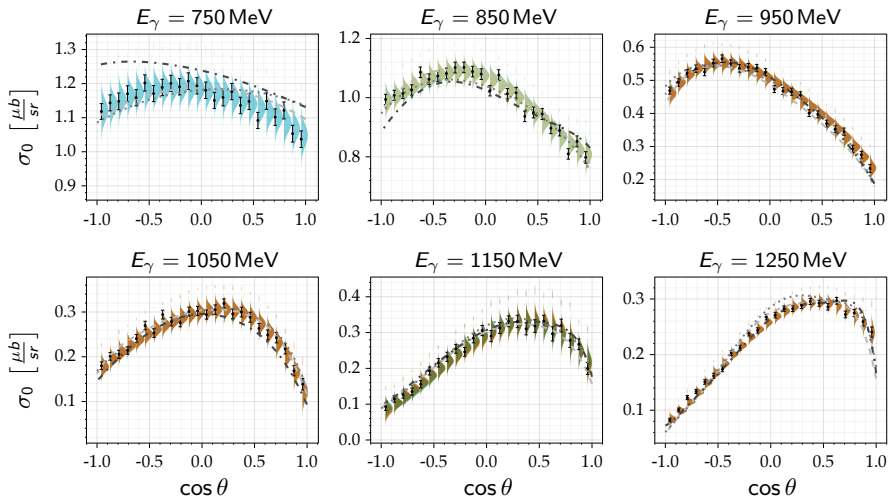


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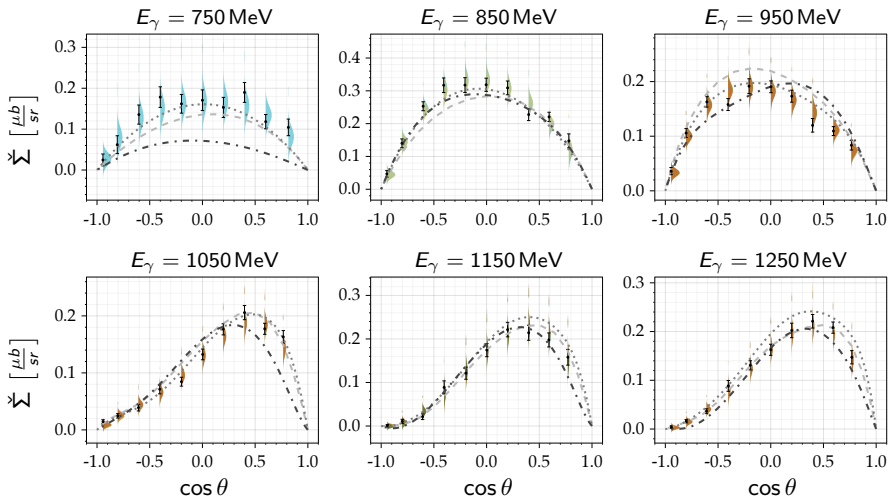
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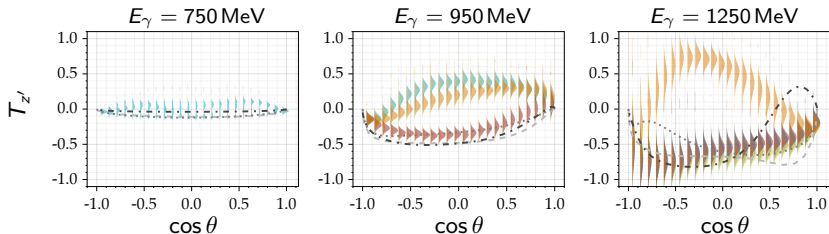
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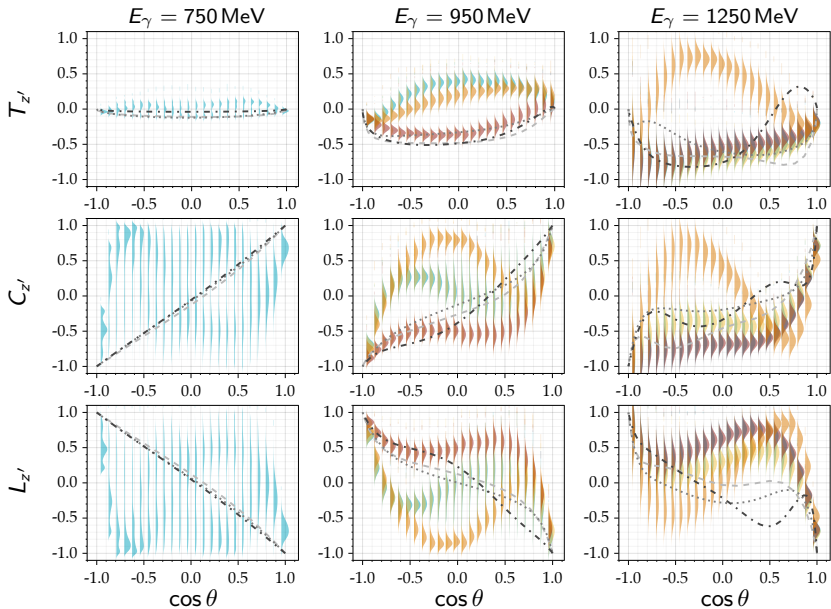
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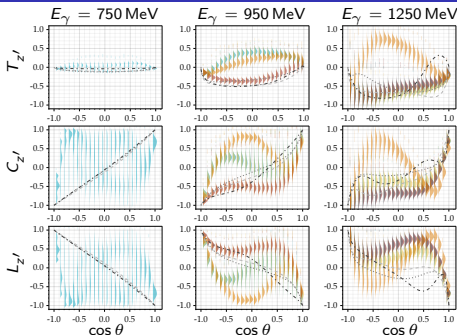
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1150	$C_{Z'}, O_{X'}, T_{X'}, T_{Z'}$
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cf.: [P. Kroenert, YW, F. Afzal and A. Thiel,  
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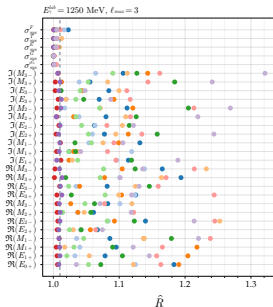
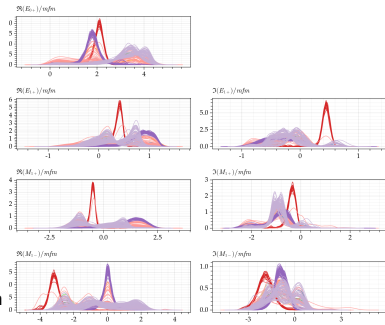
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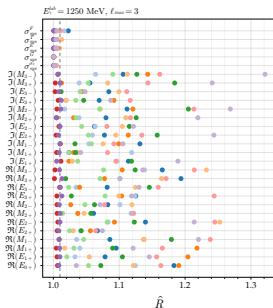
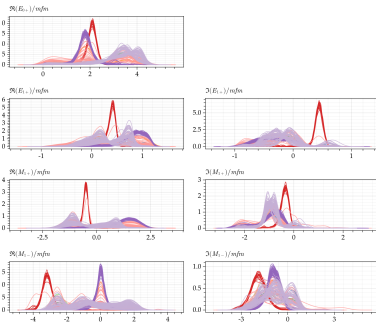
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Things to think (/worry) about:

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$$\text{'probability-mass'} = \mathbb{P} \times \text{'parameter-volume'}$$



Thank You!