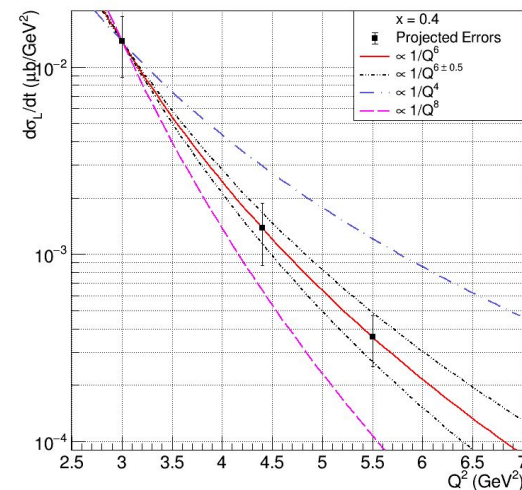
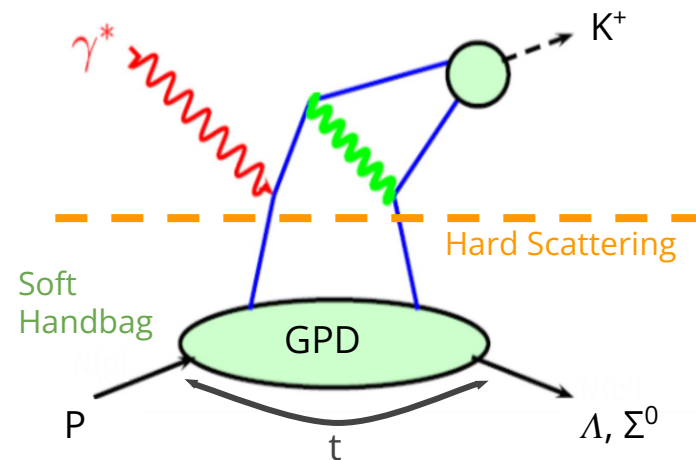

K^+ L/T-Separated Data

January 13th, 2025

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Hard-Soft Factorization

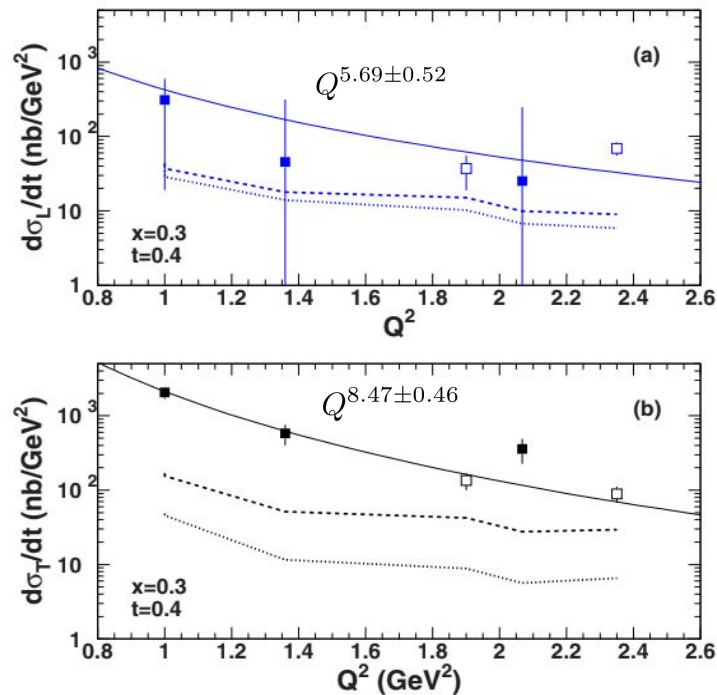
- Hard-soft factorization is prerequisite for three-dimensional hadron structure studies
- This can be tested experimentally by measuring the L-T separated cross-sections ($p(e, e'K^+)\Lambda, \Sigma^0$)
- The K^+ electroproduction cross-section has a Q^2 dependence at fixed x and $-t$
 - Provides important insight into hard-soft factorization for systems including strangeness
 - Factorization of σ_L scales to leading order Q^{-6}
 - In that regime expect σ_T to go as Q^{-8} and consequently $\sigma_L \gg \sigma_T$
 - Important because partons are “frozen” transversely in the reference frame of pQCD (i.e. infinite momentum frame)



L-T Separated K^+ Data for Verifying Reaction Mechanism

- Jlab 6 GeV K^+ data **demonstrated the technique** of measuring the Q^2 dependence of L-T separated cross sections at fixed x/t to test **QCD Factorization**
 - Consistent with expected scaling of σ_L to leading order Q^{-6} but with relatively large uncertainties
- **Separated cross sections** over a large range in Q^2 are essential for:
 - **Testing hard-soft factorization** and understanding dynamical effects in both Q^2 and $-t$ kinematics
 - Interpreting **non-perturbative QCD contributions** in experimentally accessible kinematics
- Hall C at **JLab 12 GeV** provides the facilities for such measurements

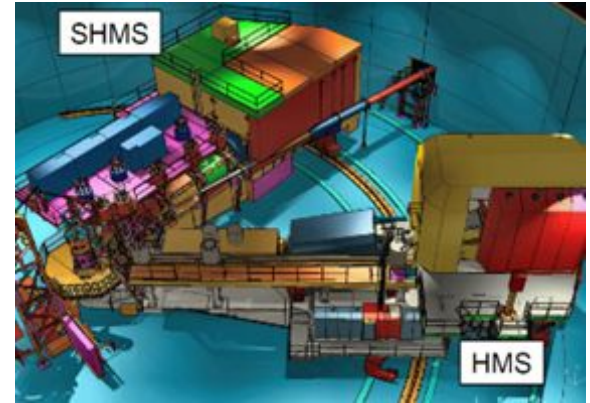
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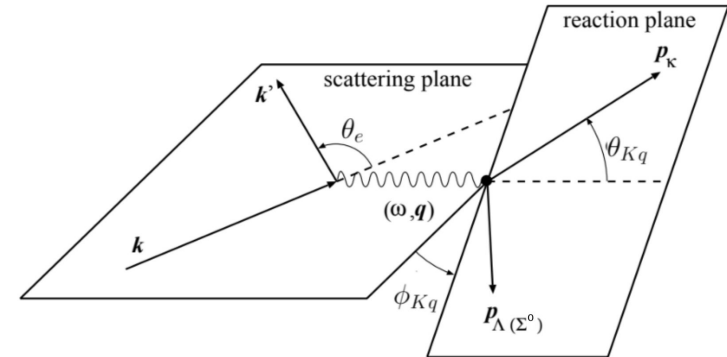
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Review E12-09-011 (KaonLT) Goals

Overview Hall C at 12 GeV

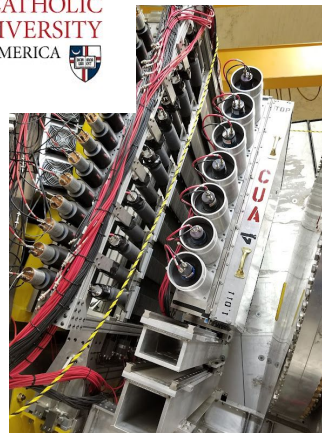


- Q^2 dependence will allow studying the scaling behavior of the separated cross sections
 - First cross section data for Q^2 scaling tests ($x=0.25, 0.4$) with kaons
 - Highest Q^2 ($Q^2=5.5 \text{ GeV}^2$) for L-T separated kaon electroproduction cross section
 - First separated kaon cross section measurement above $W=2.2 \text{ GeV}$
- $p(e,e'K^+)\Lambda, \Sigma^0$ t-dependence allows for detailed studies of the reaction mechanism
 - Contributes to understanding of the **non-pole QCD contributions**, which should reduce the model dependence
 - Bonus: if warranted by data, extract the kaon form factor from Λ data



KaonLT Experimental Details

- Hall C: $k_e=3.8, 4.9, 6.4, 8.5, 10.6$ GeV
- SHMS for kaon detection :
 - angles, 6 – 30 deg
 - momenta, 2.7 – 6.8 GeV/c
- HMS for electron detection :
 - angles, 10.7 – 31.7 deg
 - momenta, 0.86 – 5.1 GeV/c
- Particle identification:
 - Dedicated Aerogel Cherenkov detector for [kaon/proton separation](#)
 - Four refractive indices to cover the dynamic range required by experiments
 - Heavy gas Cherenkov detector for [kaon/pion separation](#)

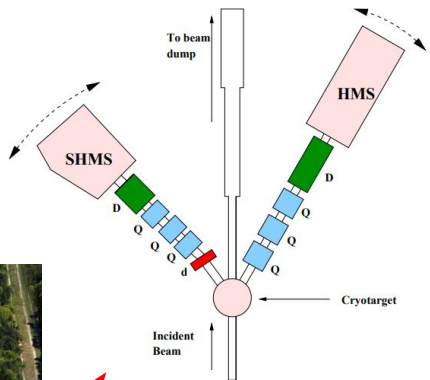


n	π_{thr} (GeV/c)	K_{thr} (GeV/c)	P_{thr} (GeV/c)
1.030	0.57	2.00	3.80
1.020	0.67	2.46	4.67
1.015	0.81	2.84	5.40
1.011	0.94	3.32	6.31

KaonLT - Data Collected

~70% of proposal data taken

- The $p(e, e'K^+)\Lambda, \Sigma^0$ experiment ran in Hall C at Jefferson Lab over the fall 2018 and spring 2019

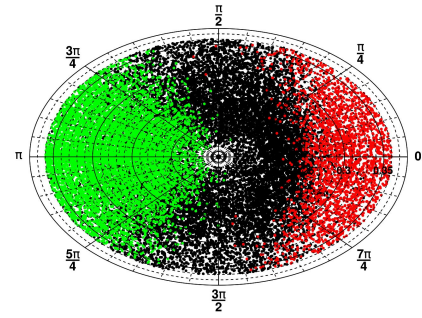


E (GeV)	Q^2 (GeV ²)	W (GeV)	x	$\epsilon_{\text{high}}/\epsilon_{\text{low}}$	$\Delta\epsilon$	Study Type
10.6/8.2	5.5	3.02	0.40	0.53/0.18	0.35	scaling
10.6/8.2	4.4	2.74	0.40	0.72/0.48	0.24	scaling
10.6/6.2	3.0	2.32	0.40	0.88/0.57	0.31	both
10.6/8.2	3.0	3.14	0.25	0.67/0.39	0.28	scaling
10.6/6.2	2.115	2.95	0.21	0.79/0.25	0.54	both
4.9/3.8	0.5	2.40	0.09	0.70/0.45	0.25	FF

Analysis by Abdennacer Hamdi

L-T Separation

- σ_L is isolated using the **Rosenbluth separation technique**
- Measure the cross section at two beam energies and fixed W , Q^2 , $-t$

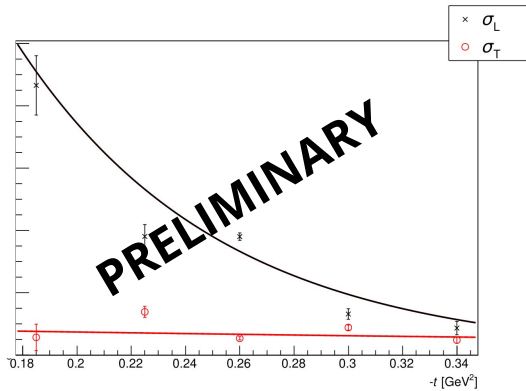
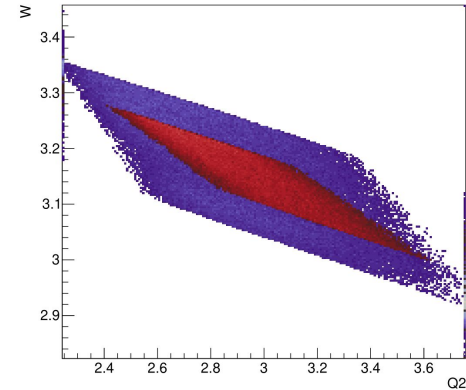


$Q^2 = 3.0 \text{ GeV}^2$, $W = 3.14 \text{ GeV}$

1. **Phase space matching** to constrain the kinematic region for the two differing beam energies ➔
2. Extract cross section in $-t$ and ϕ bins

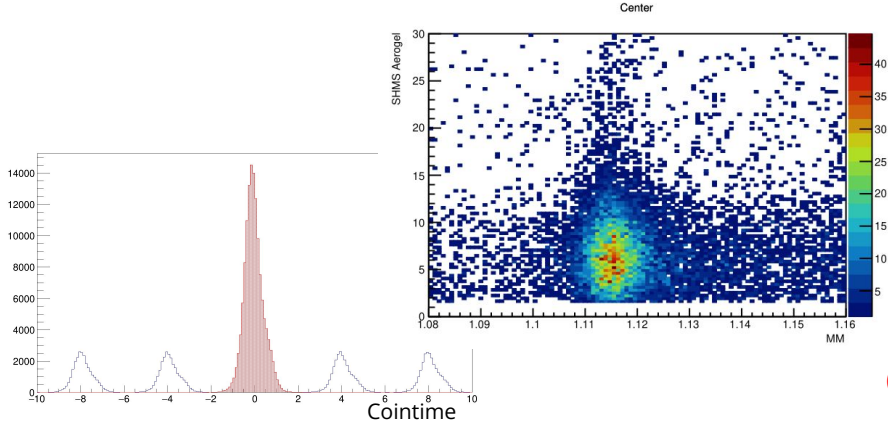
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3. This allows for the **simultaneous extraction of L, T, LT, and TT**



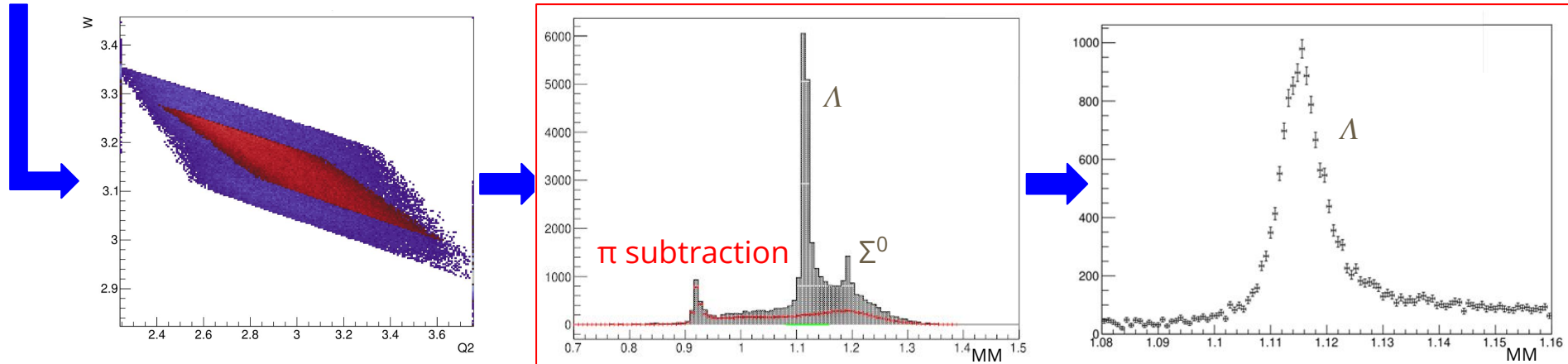
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Kaon PID



1. Acceptance, cointime, PID cuts
2. Diamond cuts
3. Random and π subtraction
4. Missing mass cuts

$Q^2 = 3.0 \text{ GeV}^2$, $W = 3.14 \text{ GeV}$, Center, Low ϵ

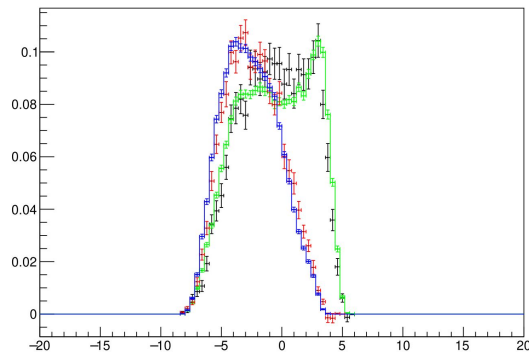


Acceptance Matching

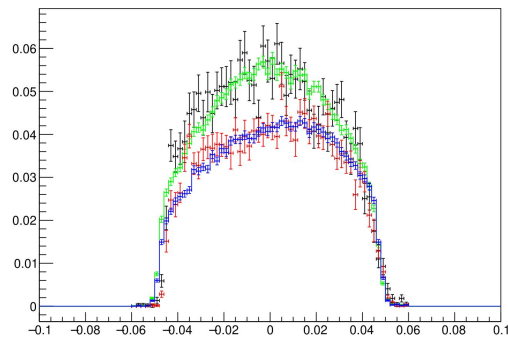
$Q^2 = 4.4 \text{ GeV}^2$, $W = 2.74 \text{ GeV}$, Low ϵ



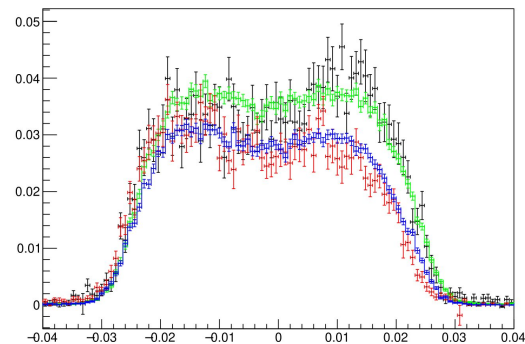
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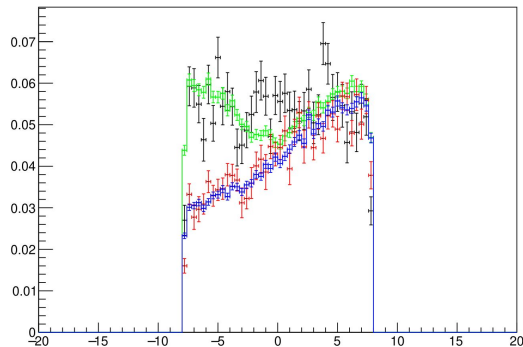
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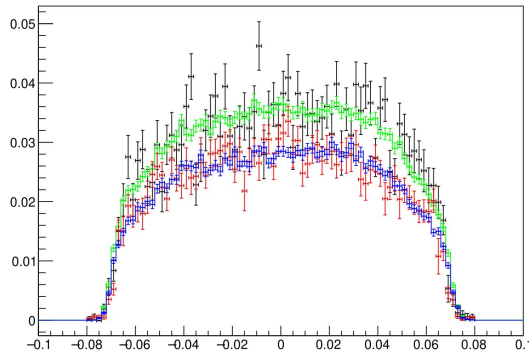
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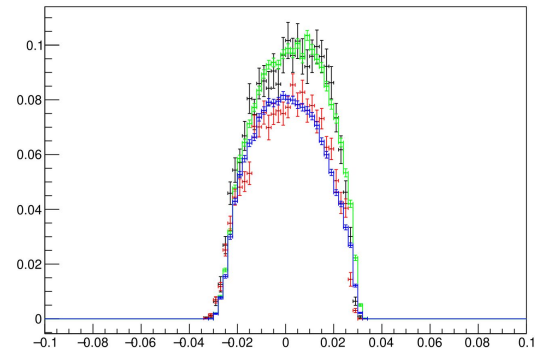
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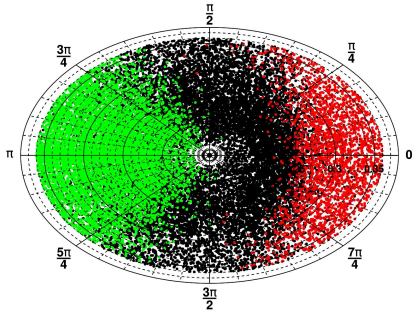


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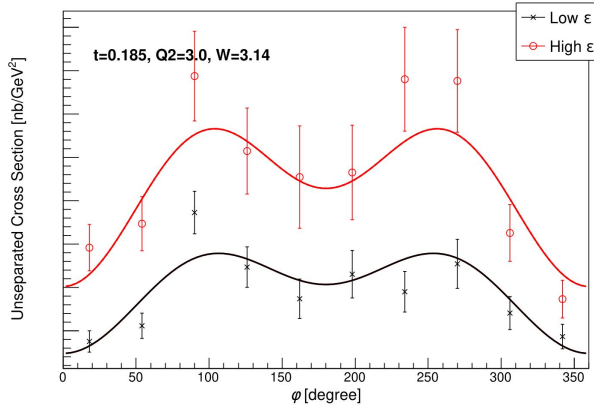
Iteration Procedure Summary

Good φ coverage across 3 settings



$Q^2 = 3.0 \text{ GeV}^2$, $W = 3.14 \text{ GeV}$
 $E_{\text{low}} = 8.2 \text{ GeV}$, $E_{\text{high}} = 10.6 \text{ GeV}$

Goal: Iterate fit until σ_{exp} changes by less than 1%.



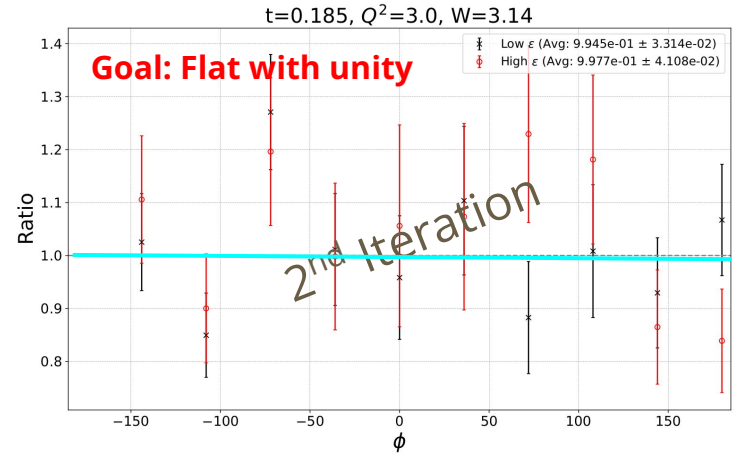
Extract via simultaneous fit of L,T,LT,TT

$$2\pi \frac{d^2\sigma}{dt d\phi_K} = \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} \cos \phi_K + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \cos 2\phi_K$$

For each K^+ SHMS φ setting, form ratio:

$$R = \frac{Y_{Data}}{Y_{SIMC}}$$

Combine ratios for K^+ settings and propagate errors accordingly

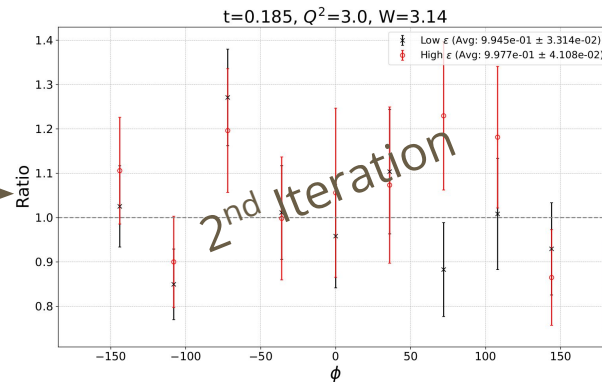
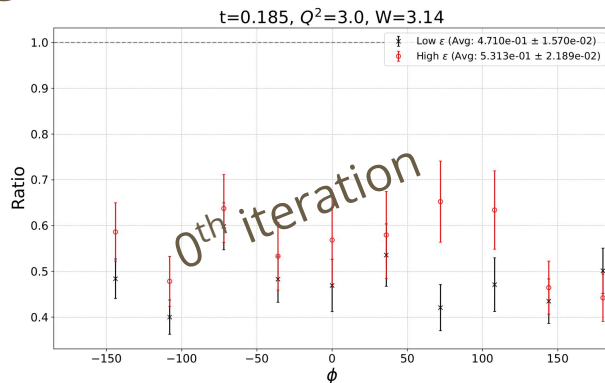


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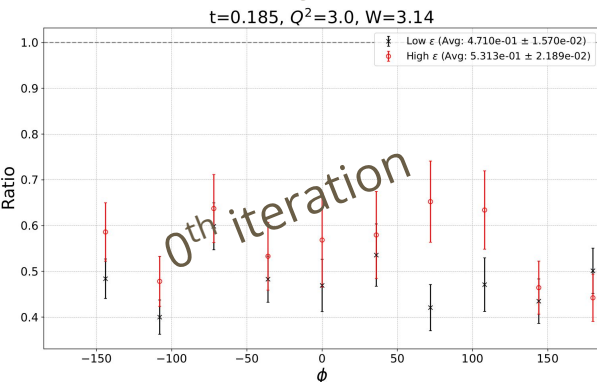
Achieving Good Ratios

At first glance...

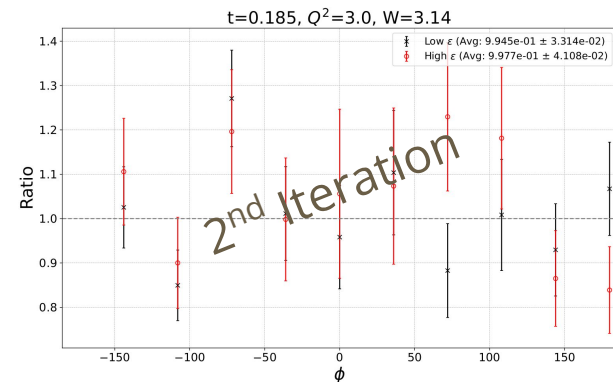
$$R = \frac{Y_{Data}}{Y_{SIMC}}$$



In reality, there are intermediate steps...



- Functional form adjustments
- Parameter optimization
- Iterations



Testing Functional Forms

$$2\pi \frac{d^2\sigma}{dt d\phi_K} = \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} \cos \phi_K + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \cos 2\phi_K$$

$$\sigma_{TT} = g(W) \cdot p_{13} \cdot Q_{\text{dep,TT}} \cdot f_t \cdot \sin^2(\theta_{\text{cm}})$$

$$\sigma_{TT} = g(W) \cdot p_{13} \cdot Q^2 \cdot e^{-Q^2} \cdot f_t \cdot \sin^2(\theta_{\text{cm}})$$

$$\sigma_{TT} = g(W) \cdot p_{13} \cdot e^{-p_{14} \cdot |t|} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{Q^2}{p_{15}}\right)^2}$$

$$\sigma_{TT} = g(W) \cdot p_{13} \cdot (|t| - p_{14}) \cdot e^{-p_{15} \cdot |t|^{p_{16}}} \cdot Q_{\text{dep,TT}} \cdot \sin^2(\theta_{\text{cm}})$$

$$\sigma_{TT} = g(W) \cdot \left(p_{13} + p_{14} \cdot \frac{e^{-p_{15} \cdot |t|^2}}{(1 + |t|) \cdot (1 + p_{16} \cdot |t|)} \right) \cdot Q_{\text{dep,TT}} \cdot \sin^2(\theta_{\text{cm}})$$

$$\sigma_{TT} = g(W) \cdot p_{13} + \left(p_{14} \cdot \frac{e^{-p_{15} \cdot |t|^2}}{(1 + |t|)^{p_{16}}} \right) \cdot Q_{\text{dep,TT}} \cdot \sin^2(\theta_{\text{cm}})$$

Parameter optimization for each functional form

Parameter Optimization

$$2\pi \frac{d^2\sigma}{dt d\phi_K} = \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} \cos \phi_K + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \cos 2\phi_K$$

- Up to 7 degrees of freedom per L, T, LT, TT
 - $\sigma(Q^2, W, t)$, 3 independent variables
 - Up to 4 free parameters
- Across 6 Q^2 settings
 - Only 2-5 t-bins per Q^2

$$g(W) = \frac{1}{(W^2 - M_p^2)^2}$$

$$\sigma_L = g(W) \cdot p_1 \cdot Q_{dep,L} \cdot e^{-p_2 \cdot |t|}$$

$$\sigma_T = g(W) \cdot (p_5 \cdot e^{-p_6 \cdot |t|} + p_7 \cdot |t|) \cdot Q_{dep,T}^{p_8}$$

$$\sigma_{LT} = g(W) \cdot (p_9 \cdot e^{-p_{10} \cdot |t|} + \frac{p_{11}}{|t|}) \cdot \sin \theta$$

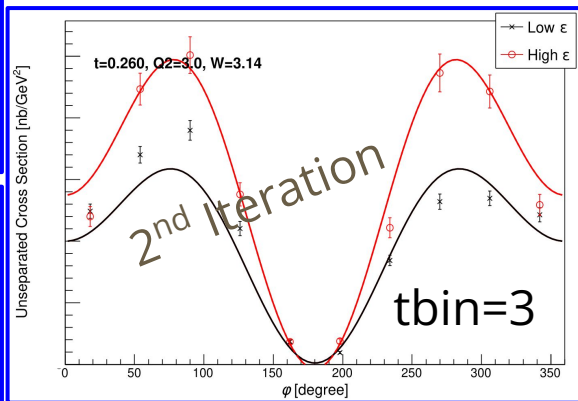
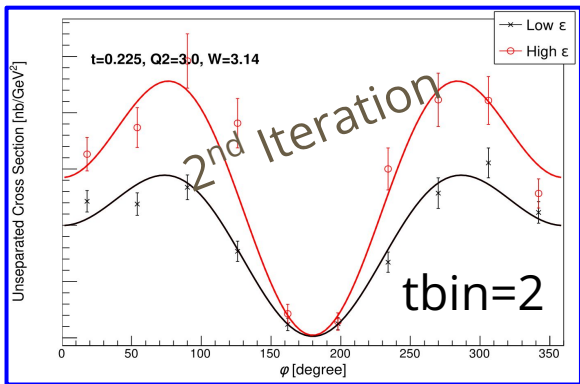
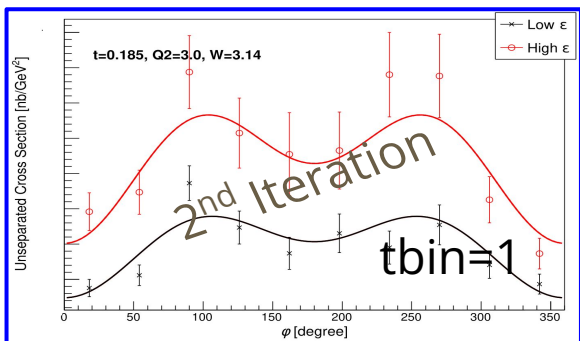
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- Developed χ^2 minimization algorithm
- Uses a combination of...
 - **Simulated annealing** for parameter initialization
 - **Minuit** for local fit search
- **N** fit checks for **M** optimizations

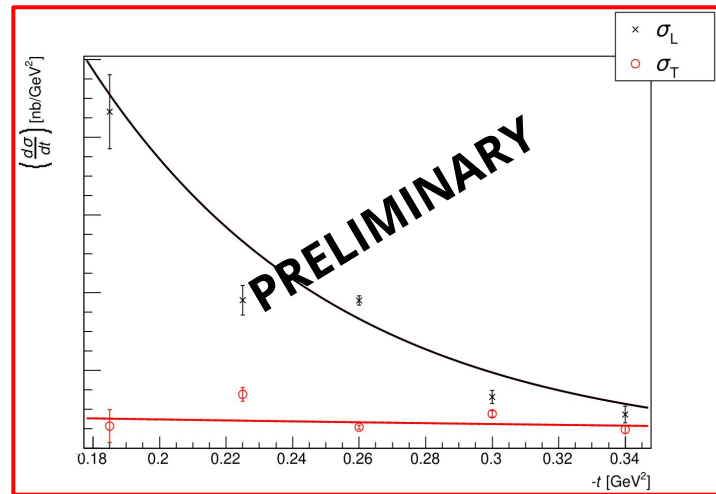
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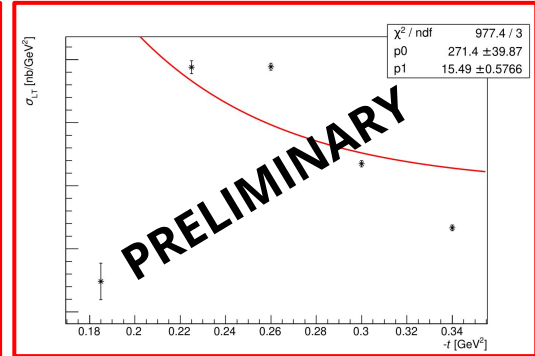
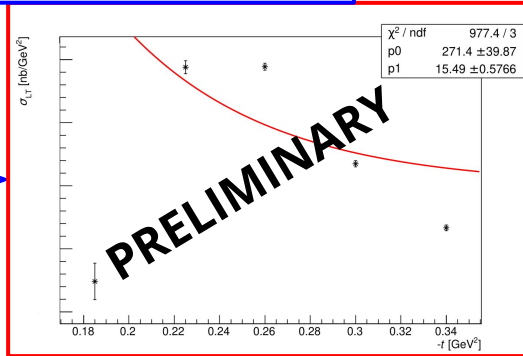
simultaneous fit



$Q^2= 3.0 \text{ GeV}^2, W = 3.14 \text{ GeV}$



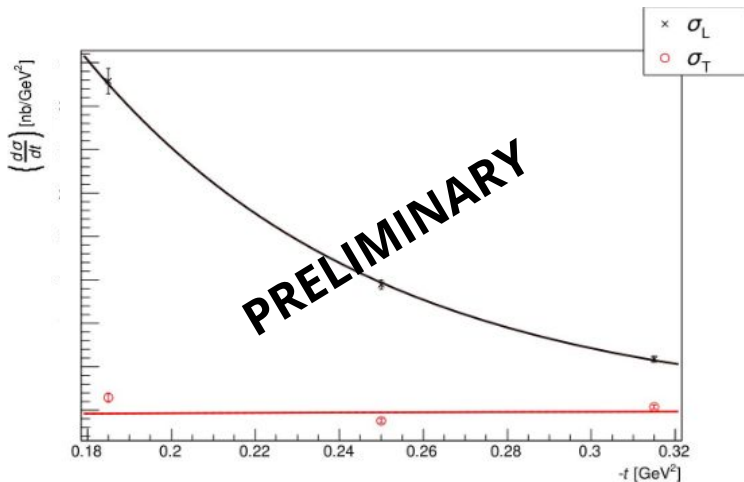
LT separation



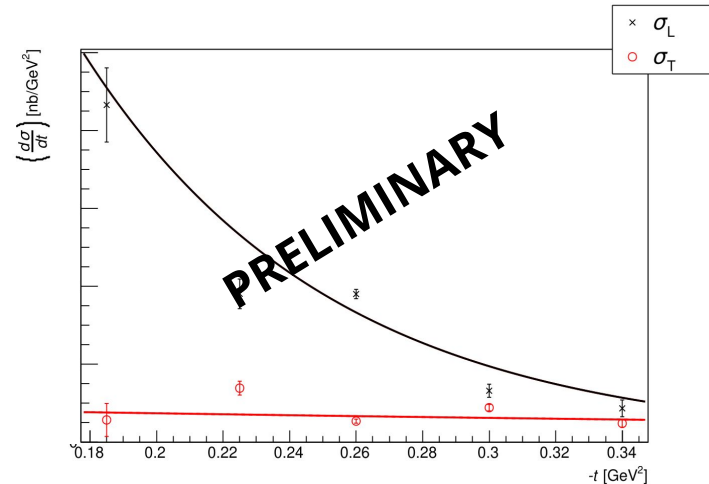
Trends Across Q^2

- Agreement of σ_L with exponential fit
 - A key sign of the kaon pole
- Performing form factor extractions may be possible up to $\sim 4\text{-}5 \text{ GeV}^2$

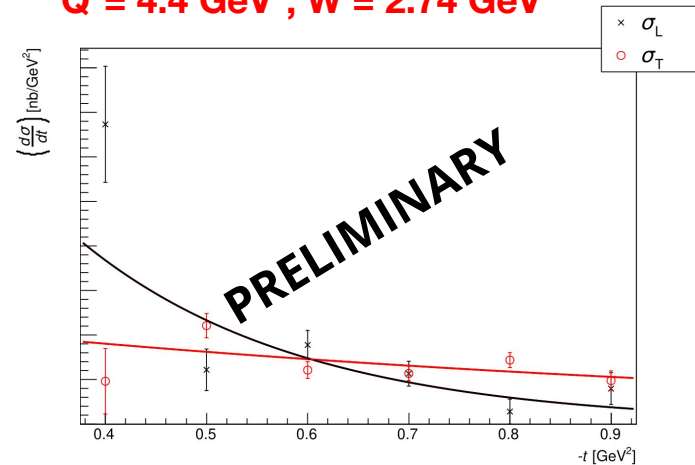
$Q^2 = 2.115 \text{ GeV}^2, W = 2.95 \text{ GeV}$



$Q^2 = 3.0 \text{ GeV}^2, W = 3.14 \text{ GeV}$



$Q^2 = 4.4 \text{ GeV}^2, W = 2.74 \text{ GeV}$



Outlook and Conclusion

- E12-09-011 ran Fall 2018, Spring 2019
 - PionLT from Summer 2019, Fall 2021, Winter 2022, and Summer 2022
- In the process of extracting the kaon electroproduction cross-section for Λ channel for six Q^2 settings
 - This is achieved by iterating the model input cross-section
 - The experimental cross-section can then be extracted as long as the model input cross-section properly describes the dependence on all kinematic variables.
 - Ratios are in the final stages of optimization
- Cross-section trends have been stable and consistent
 - Next step is to finalize a detailed systematic study
- Preliminary results show kaon pole dominance for multiple $Q^2 \sim 4-5 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Beginning work on final publication!

KaonLT collaboration

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(Proposal to Jefferson Lab PAC 34)

Studies of the L-T Separated Kaon Electroproduction

Cross Section from 5-11 GeV

December 15, 2008

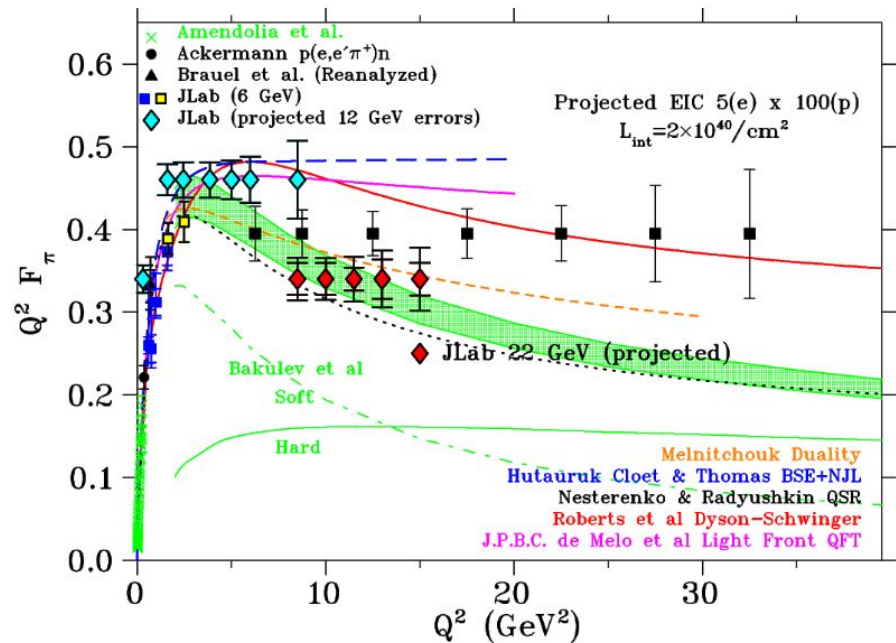


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EXTRA

Meson Form Factors

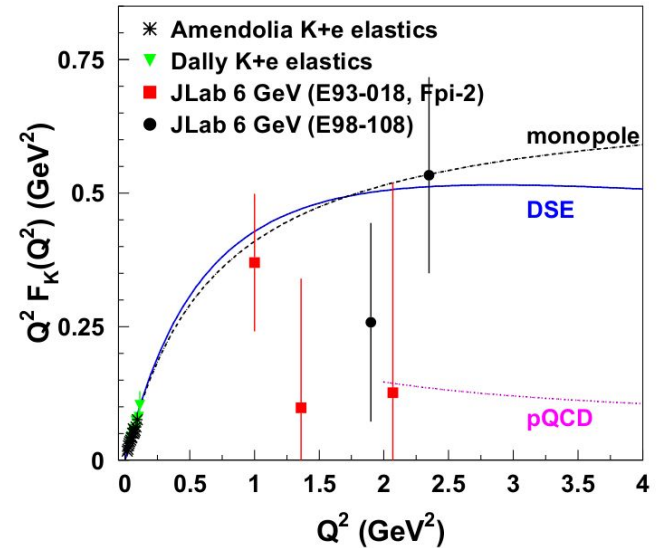
- π^+ and K^+ form factors are of special interest in hadron structure studies
- **Clearest case for studying transition from non-perturbative to perturbative regions**
- π^+ form factor has data covering a wide range of Q^2 (up to 8.5 GeV^2)
 - $F_{\pi 1}/F_{\pi 2}$: 2006, 2008
 - **PionLT**: E12-09-011 which covers KaonLT data plus Summer 2019
 - **PionLT**: E12-19-006 ran Fall 2021, Winter 2022, Summer 2022 and Fall 2022
- Meanwhile, the K^+ form factor data is **very limited**...



L-T Separated K^+ Data for Form Factor

- Jlab 6 GeV data showed the K^+ form factor differs from hard QCD calculation
 - Evaluated with asymptotic valence-quark Distribution Amplitude (DA), but **large uncertainties**
- 12 GeV K^+ form factor extraction data require:
 - Measurements over a range of $-t$, which allow for interpretation of kaon pole contribution

Results from JLab 6 GeV data



M. Carmignotto et al., PhysRevC **97**(2018)025204
F. Gao et al., Phys. Rev. D **96** (2017) no. 3, 034024

Experimental Considerations: Comparing π^+ and K^+ FF

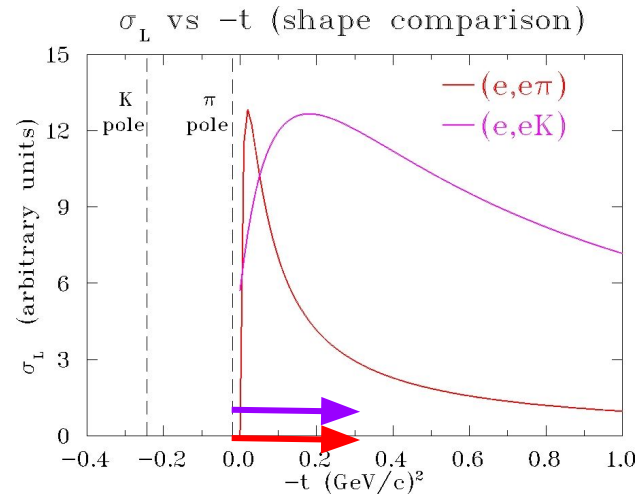
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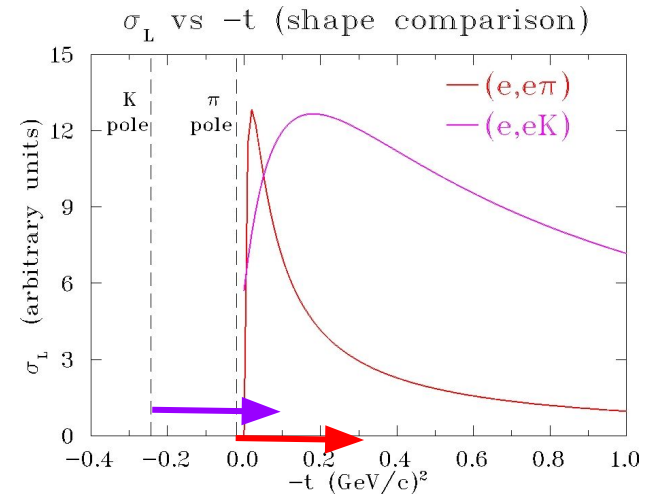
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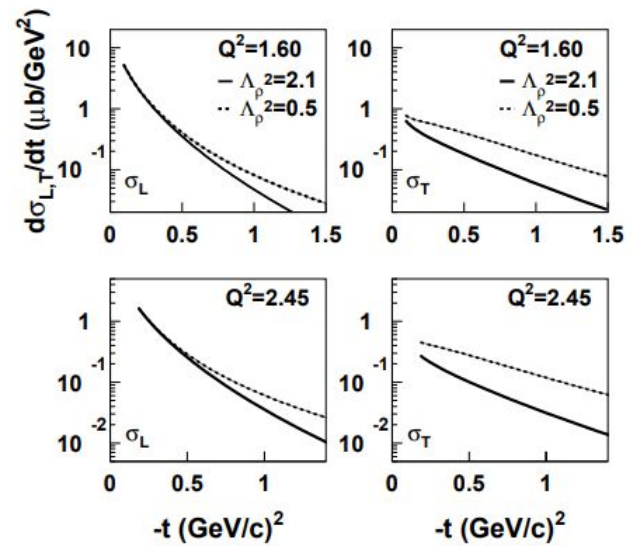
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- Hall C magnetic spectrometers can provide the facilities for this measurement

Form Factor Extraction

- The product of the kaon form factor is related to σ_L through the probability of the virtual photon interacting with a kaon
- If σ_L shows an **exponential fall off with t** this is a sign of the point-like behavior warranting the form factor extraction
- The extraction of the kaon form factor is done by fitting the longitudinal cross section calculated by the **VGL Regge model** to the experimental data.
- The model is evaluated for **different values of $\Lambda_{K^+}^2$**



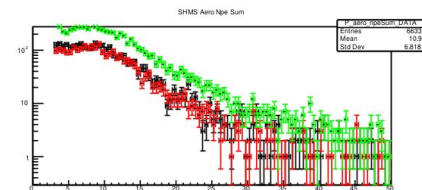
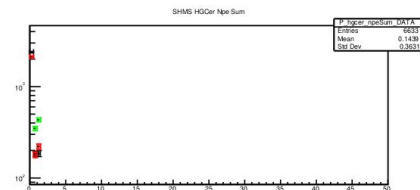
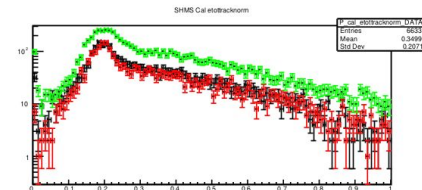
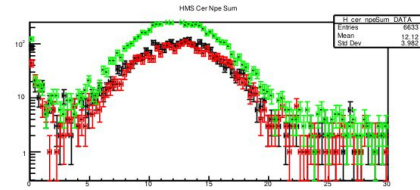
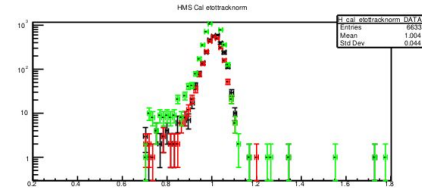
T. Horn's Thesis

$$2\pi \frac{d^2\sigma}{dt d\phi} = \varepsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(\varepsilon+1)} \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} \cos\phi + \varepsilon \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \cos 2\phi$$

$$\sigma_L \approx \frac{-tQ^2}{(t - m_K^2)^2} g_{KNN}^2(t) F_K^2(Q^2, t) \rightarrow F_K(Q^2, t) = (1 + Q^2/\Lambda_K^2)^{-1} \rightarrow \chi^2/\text{dof} = \frac{1}{\text{dof}} \sum_t \frac{(\sigma_L^{\text{VGL}} - \sigma_L^{\text{exp}})^2}{\Delta\sigma_L^2}$$

Applied Cuts

- CTime_eKCoinTime_ROC1" :
 $(\text{CTime_eKCoinTime_ROC1} > ((0) - ((4.008)/2.0) - (0.25))) \&$
 $(\text{CTime_eKCoinTime_ROC1} < ((0) + ((4.008)/2.0) + (0.25)))$
- $(P_RF_Dist > (0.75)) \& (P_RF_Dist < (1.75))$
- $(P_hod_goodstarttime == 1.0) \&$
 $(H_hod_goodstarttime == 1.0)$
- $(P_dc_InsideDipoleExit == 1) \&$
 $(H_dc_InsideDipoleExit == 1)$
- $(ssdelta \geq -10.0) \& (ssdelta \leq 20.0) \&$
 $(ssxptar \geq -0.06) \& (ssxptar \leq 0.06) \&$
 $(ssyptar \geq -0.04) \& (ssyptar \leq 0.04)$
- $(hsdelta \geq -8.0) \& (hsdelta \leq 8.0) \& (hsxptar \geq -0.08)$
 $\& (hsxptar \leq 0.08) \& (hsyptar \geq -0.045) \&$
 $(hsyptar \leq 0.045)$
- $(\text{abs}(P_gtr_beta - 1)) < 0.3)$
- $(P_aero_npeSum > 3) \& (P_hgcer_npeSum < 1.5) \&$
 $(P_cal_etottracknorm \geq 0.0)$
- $(H_cal_etottracknorm > 0.7)$



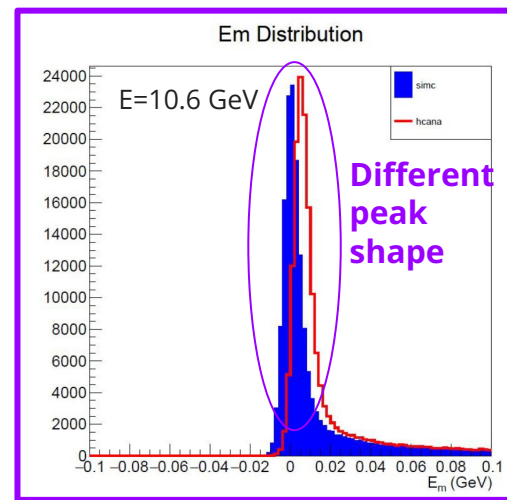
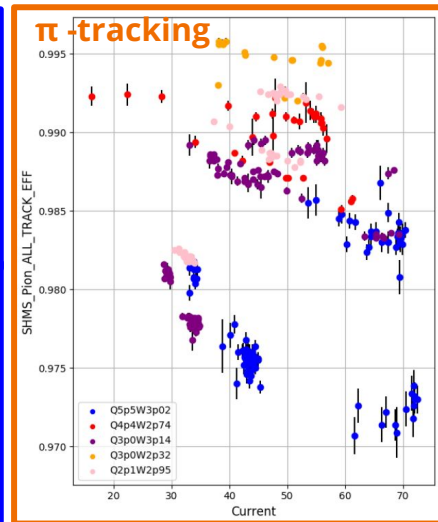
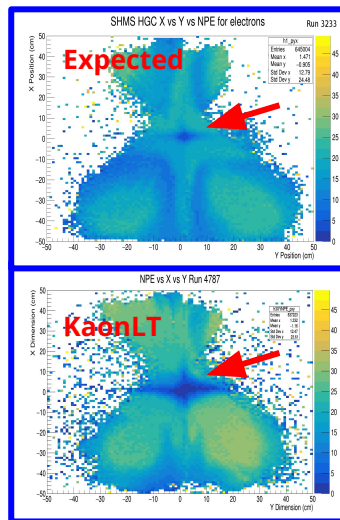
SIMC vs HCANA General Calculations

- Inputs
 - Initial energy
 - Scattered (S)HMS momentum and theta angle
- In SIMC, (S)HMS **delta**, **xptar**, **yptar**, **z** are produced from phase space these initial inputs produce
- In HCANA, (S)HMS **delta**, **xptar**, **yptar**, **z** are produced from detectors (e.g. xptar is from tracking info)
- (S)HMS **delta**, **xptar**, **yptar**, **z**, **P**, **E**, **theta**, and **phi**, along with **Ein**, are used to calculate the rest of the kinematic variables

Notable Challenges

***First commissioning L-T separation for the HMS+SHMS setup**

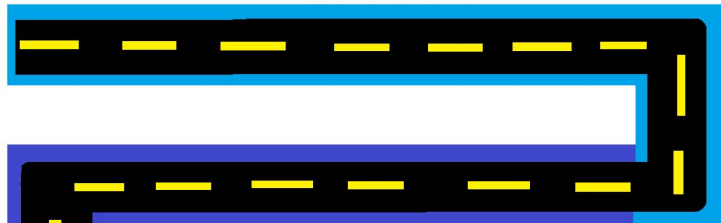
- **SHMS Heavy Gas Cerenkov Hole**
 - Improperly aligned mirrors resulted in a larger hole at the center of the HGcEr than expected
 - HGLOG ([2/28/2019](#))
- **Tracking**
 - Tracking algorithm was initially insufficient for the high precision hadron tracking required
 - Commissioning meeting ([1/4/2021](#), [5/18/2021](#))
- **Luminosity Analysis**
 - EDTM calculation is made complex when prescaling is involved
 - Hall C Quarterly Meeting I ([10/20/2022](#))
- **HCANA vs SIMC calculations**
 - The kinematic variable calculations in HCANA and SIMC differ, which resulted in differing distribution for high level physics variables
 - Hall C Quarterly Meeting III ([4/27/2023](#))
- [KaonLT Weekly Meetings](#)



KaonLT Analysis Phases

- Optimize calibrations
 - Poorly done calibrations can lead to backtracking
- Thorough understanding of efficiencies and offsets
 - Critically important for understanding systematics

Calibrations



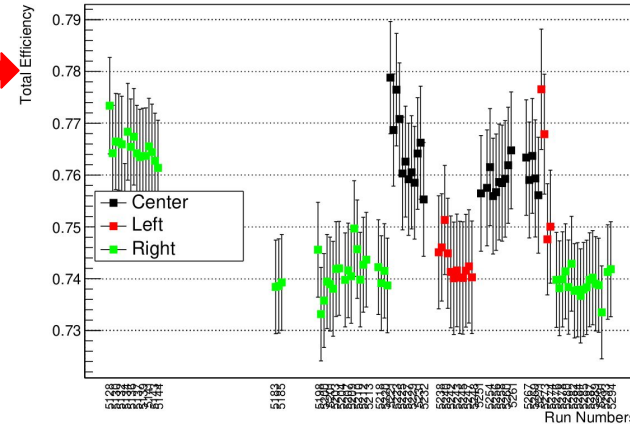
Efficiencies and Offsets



Cross Section Extraction

$$\epsilon_{Total} = \epsilon_{tracking} * \epsilon_{detectors} * \epsilon_{lifetime} * \epsilon_{boiling}$$

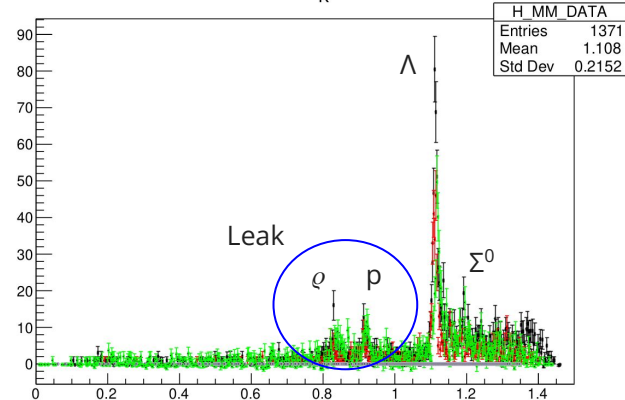
$Q^2 = 5.5 \text{ GeV}^2, W = 3.02 \text{ GeV}$



π^- contamination found in HMS calorimeter and Cerenkov driving lower efficiency

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[Feb 23, 2023](#)

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Uncertainty Considerations

- This is perhaps the most important step in the entire analysis.
- These studies are so critical because of a $1/\Delta\epsilon$ **amplification** and possibly small $R=\sigma_L/\sigma_T$ in the systematic uncertainty of the σ_L

$$\frac{\Delta\sigma_L}{\sigma_L} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2} \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma} \sqrt{(1/R + \epsilon_1)^2 + (1/R + \epsilon_2)^2}$$

- Careful analysis will allow the required precision cross section measurements for extracting form factors.
- Two main tools: **luminosity scans** and **elastic analysis**

Source	pt-to-pt	t-correlated	scale
Acceptance	0.4	0.4	1.0
PID		0.4	0.5
Coincidence Blocking		0.2	
Tracking efficiency	0.1	0.1	1.5
Charge		0.2	0.5
Target thickness		0.2	0.8
Kinematics	0.4	1.0	
Kaon Absorption		0.5	0.5
Kaon Decay		1.0	3.0
Radiative Corrections	0.1	0.4	2.0
Monte Carlo Model	0.2	1.0	0.5
Total	0.6	2.0	4.2

Altered from KaonLT Proposal, PAC 34

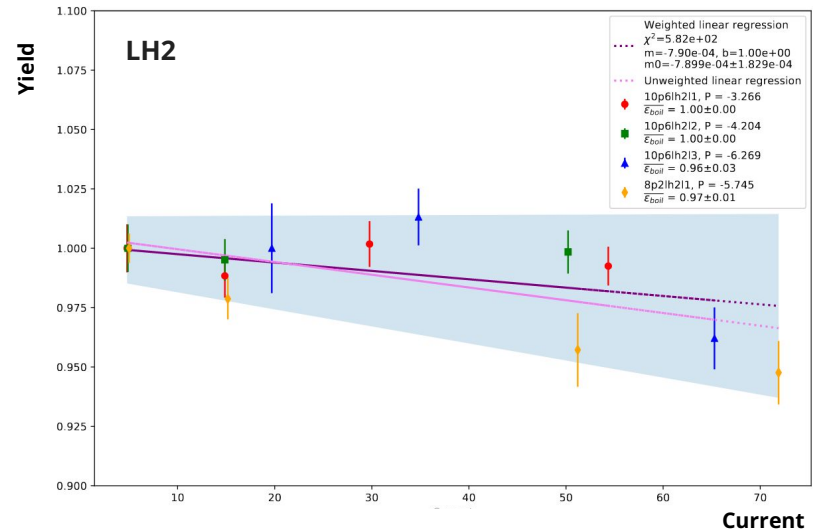
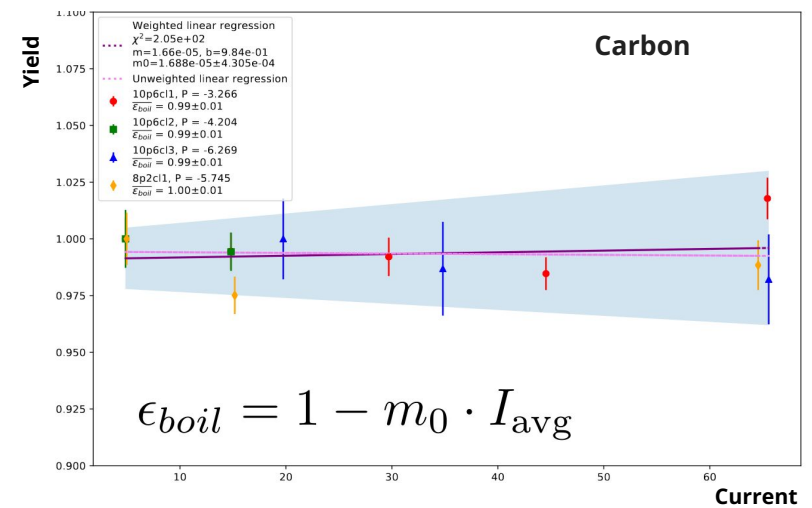
Luminosity

$$Y_{track} = \frac{N_{track}}{Q_{tot} \epsilon_{track} \epsilon_{cpuLT}}$$

- For KaonLT, the luminosity scans provide a means to understand the accuracy of various **efficiencies**
- Limited good data because...
 - Some SHMS data taken at positive polarity
 - EDTM not yet integrated into CODA
- Ended up extrapolating a slope using a **weighted linear regression**
- **Final Luminosity Results (Carbon, LH2)**

Carbon is flat ($m_0=1.688e-05 \pm 4.305e-04$)

LH2 has a slope of $\sim 8\% \pm 2\%$
($m_0=-7.899e-04 \pm 1.829e-04$)



Elastic Analysis

- Comprehensive understanding of the offsets to the kinematics and spectrometer acceptances.
- Able to use **one set of momenta and angle offsets for all beam energies**
 - Small energy offsets per beam setting
- **Final Offset Results (v3)**

Final KaonLT Offsets

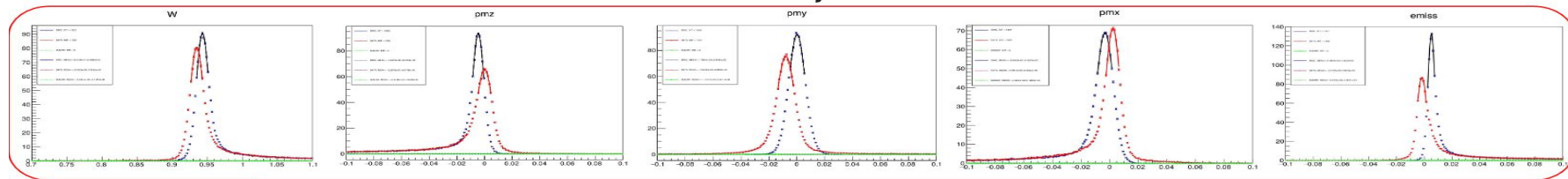
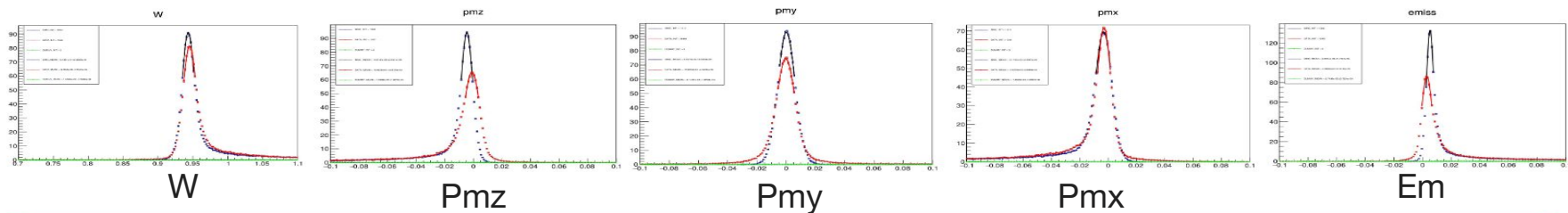
E: 3834.9 | 4932.0 | 6190.3 | 8208.8 | 10585.4 MeV
dE: -0.3000 | -0.7000 | -0.2000 | +0.5000 | +0.5000

All energies...

dth 1.0000 dthp 1.1000 dphe 2.5100 dphp -0.1100
dpe -1.0000 dpp -2.0000

All offsets are in units...
0.1% for momenta/energy, 1 mrad for angles

E=4.9 GeV

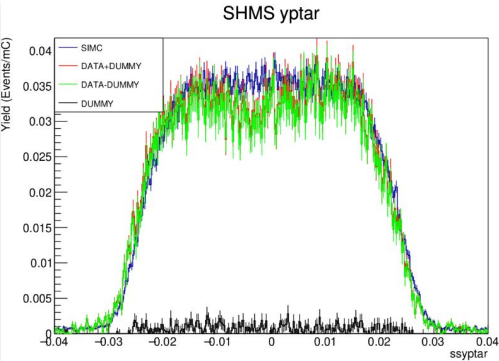


No Offsets

Extract the Kaon Electroproduction Cross Section

E=10.6 GeV

$Q^2=0.5$, $W=2.40$, $x=0.09$, $\epsilon_{\text{low}}=0.45$



- SIMC, including a model of the experimental setup, is used to simulate a variety of effects.
- A model for the kaon electroproduction cross section is developed, including a χ^2 minimization to achieve the best agreement between data and SIMC.
- This is achieved by iterating the model input cross section.
- The experimental cross section can then be extracted as long as the model input cross section properly describes the dependence on all kinematic variables.

$$2\pi \frac{d^2\sigma}{dt d\phi} = \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_L}{dt} + \frac{d\sigma_T}{dt} + \sqrt{2\epsilon(\epsilon+1)} \frac{d\sigma_{LT}}{dt} \cos\phi + \epsilon \frac{d\sigma_{TT}}{dt} \cos 2\phi$$

Best Functional Forms

$$g(W) = \frac{1}{(W^2 - M_p^2)^2}$$

$$\sigma_L = g(W) \cdot p_1 \cdot Q_{dep,L} \cdot e^{-p_2 \cdot |t|}$$

$$\sigma_T = g(W) \cdot (p_5 \cdot e^{-p_6 \cdot |t|} + p_7 \cdot |t|) \cdot Q_{dep,T}^{p_8}$$

$$\sigma_{LT} = g(W) \cdot (p_9 \cdot e^{-p_{10} \cdot |t|} + \frac{p_{11}}{|t|}) \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$\sigma_{TT} = g(W) \cdot p_{13} + (p_{14} \cdot \frac{e^{-p_{15} \cdot |t|^2}}{(1 + |t|)^{p_{16}}}) \cdot Q_{dep,TT} \cdot \sin^2(\theta_{cm})$$

$$tav = (0.1112 + 0.0066 \cdot \ln(q_{set}^2)) \cdot q_{set}^2$$

$$ftav = \frac{|t_t| - tav}{tav}$$

$$ft = \frac{|t_t|}{(|t_t| + m_{kpl}^2)^2} \quad (\text{pole factor})$$

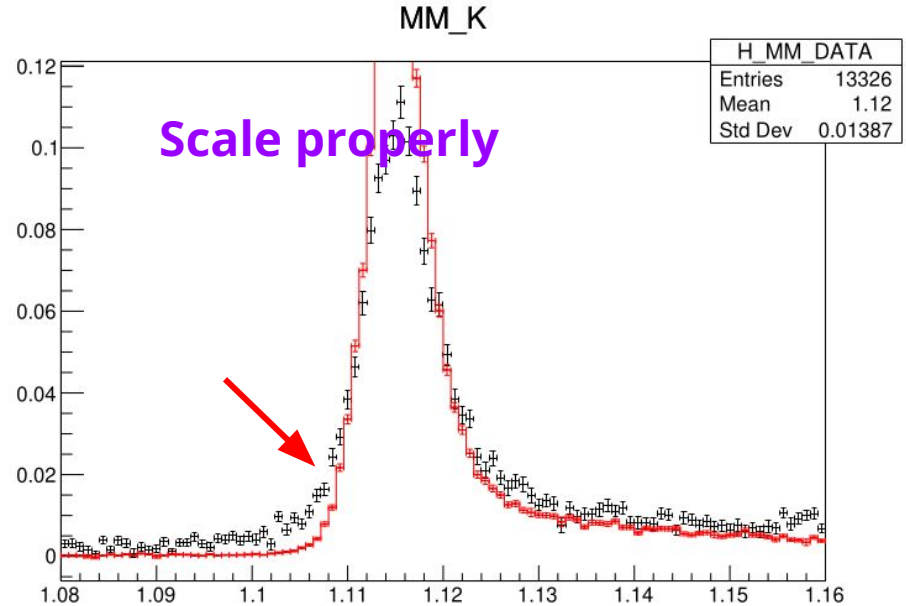
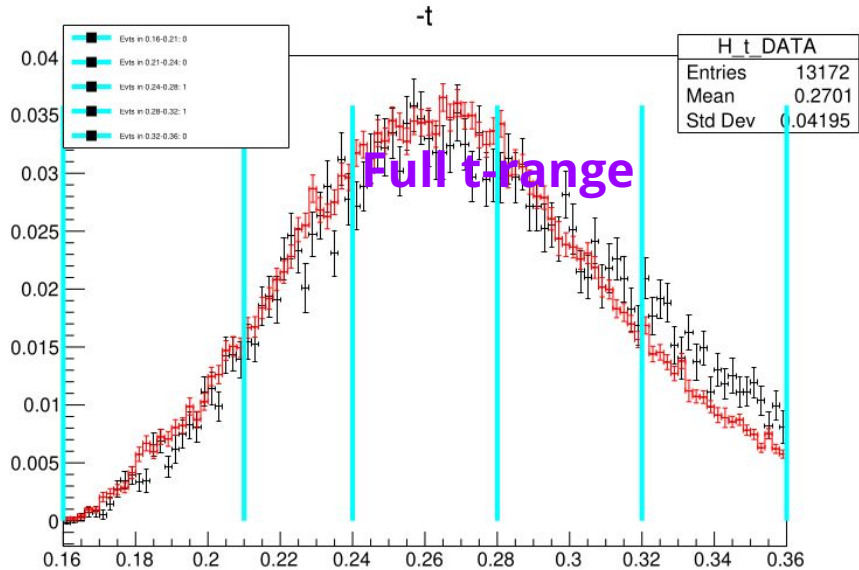
$$Q_{dep,L} = \frac{q^2}{1.0 + 1.77 \cdot q^2 + 0.12 \cdot (q^2)^2}$$

$$Q_{dep,T} = \frac{\exp(-q^2)}{a^2}$$

$$Q_{dep,TT} = q^2 \cdot \exp(-q)$$

SIMC vs Data

- Good match between data and SIMC
- Left side of missing mass peak



$Q^2 = 3.0 \text{ GeV}^2$, $W = 3.14 \text{ GeV}$, Center, Low ϵ