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**Investigation of the low-energy kaons hadronic
interactions in light nuclei by AMADEUS**

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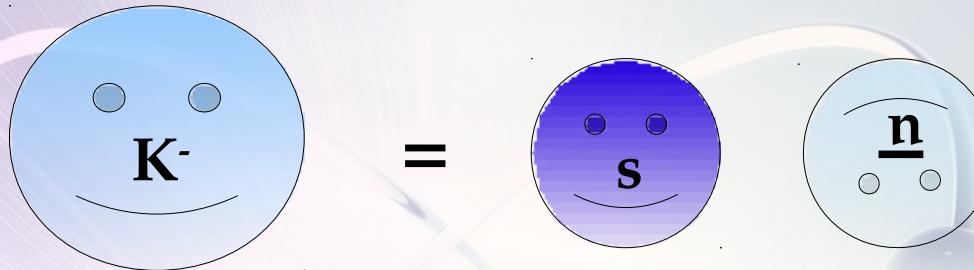


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Why low-energy kaons hadronic interactions study?

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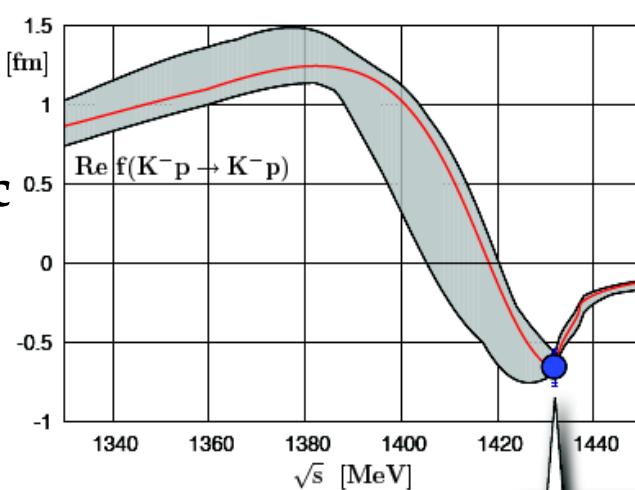


- Strange quarks are intermediate between “light” and “heavy”: interplay between spontaneous and explicit chiral symmetry breaking in low-energy QCD
 - BUT chiral perturbation theory not applicable
- high-precision antikaon-nucleon threshold physics test ground for the different theoretical approaches
 - exploiting the attractive low energy $\bar{K} N$ interaction

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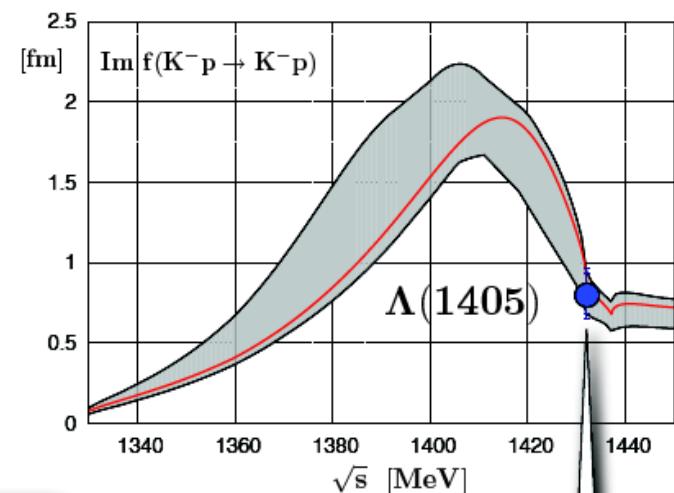
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- $K^- p$ scattering, kaonic atoms & $\Lambda(1405)$ structure investigation

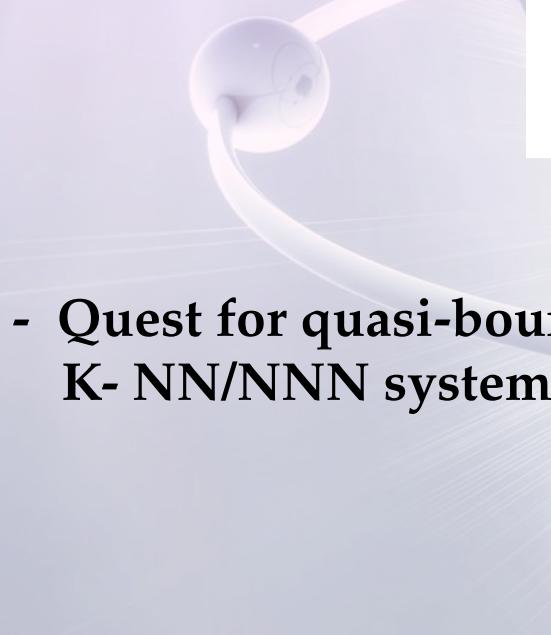


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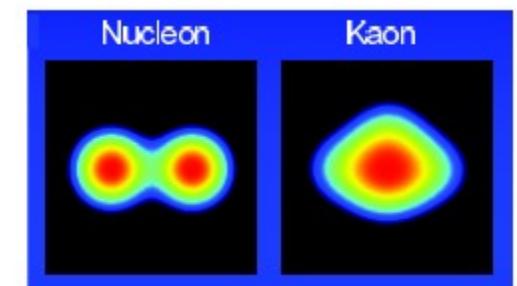
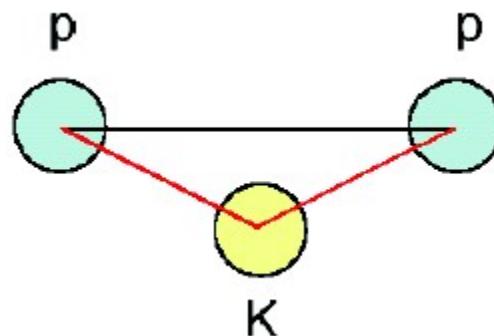
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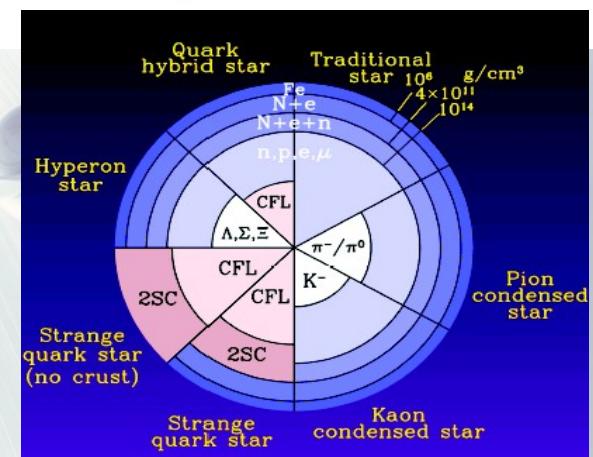
Im $a(K^- p)$



- Quest for quasi-bound $K^- NN/NNN$ systems



- Role of strangeness in dense baryonic matter, kaon condensation? Strange quark matter? Hyperons in NS?



Framework: Low-Energy QCD with Strange Quarks

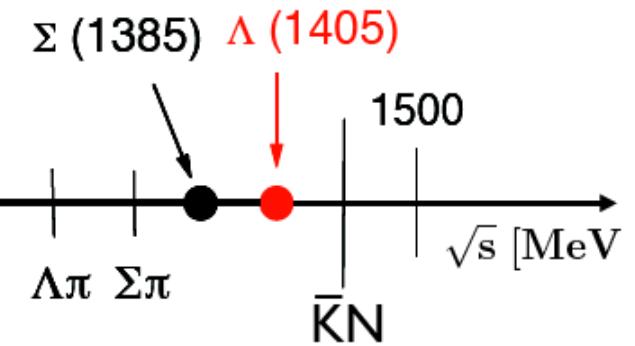
CHIRAL PERTURBATION THEORY
Interacting systems of NAMBU-GOLDSTONE BOSONS
(pions, kaons) coupled to BARYONS

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{mesons}(\Phi) + \mathcal{L}_B(\Phi, \Psi_B)$$

works well for low-energy pion-pion and pion-nucleon interactions

... but NOT for systems with strangeness $S = -1$

BECOUSE $\Lambda(1405)$ just below $\bar{K}N$ threshold (1432 MeV)



- Solutions:
- Non-perturbative Coupled Channels approach based on Chiral SU(3) Dynamics
 - phenomenological $\bar{K}N$ and NN potentials

The scientific goal of AMADEUS

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Low energy QCD in strangeness sector is still waiting for experimental conclusive constrains on:

1) **\bar{K} -N potential** → how deep can an antikaon be bound in a nucleus?

- U_{KN} strongly affects the position of the $\Lambda(1405)$ state → we investigate it through $(\Sigma-\pi)^0$ decay --- $Y\pi$ CORRELATION

- if U_{KN} is strongly attractive then possible K^- multi-N bound states → we investigate through $(\Lambda/\Sigma-N)$ decay --- YN CORRELATION

2) **$Y-N$ potential** → extremely poor experimental information from scattering data

- U_{YN} determines the strength of the final state YN (elastic & inelastic) scattering in nuclear environment → could be tested by YN CORRELATION

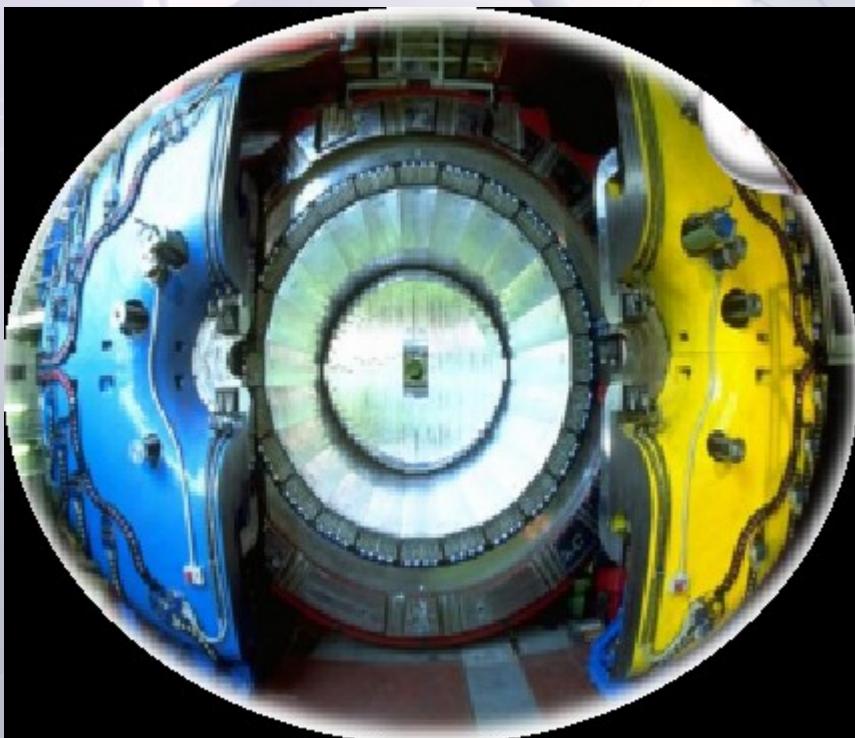
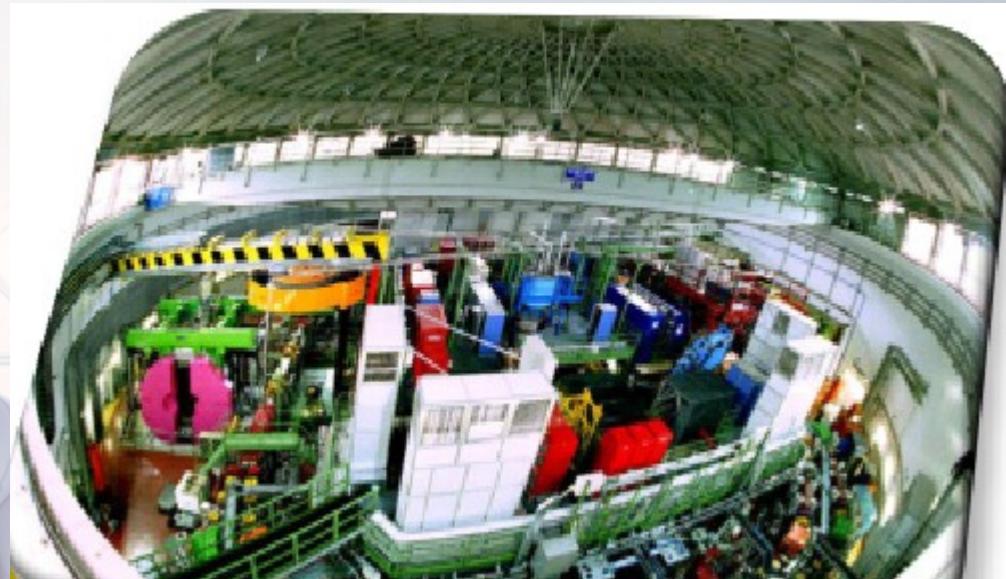
AMADEUS & DAΦNE

K^- DAΦNE at LNF, INFN

Double ring e^+e^- collider working in C. M. energy of ϕ , producing $\approx 600 K^+K^- / s$

$\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$ (BR = $(49.2 \pm 0.6)\%$)

- **low momentum Kaons**
 ≈ 127 Mev/c
- **back to back K^+K^- topology**



KLOE

- 96% acceptance,
- optimized in the energy range of all charged particles involved
- good performance in detecting photons (and neutrons checked by kloNe group (M. Anelli et al., Nucl Inst. Meth. A 581, 368 (2007)))

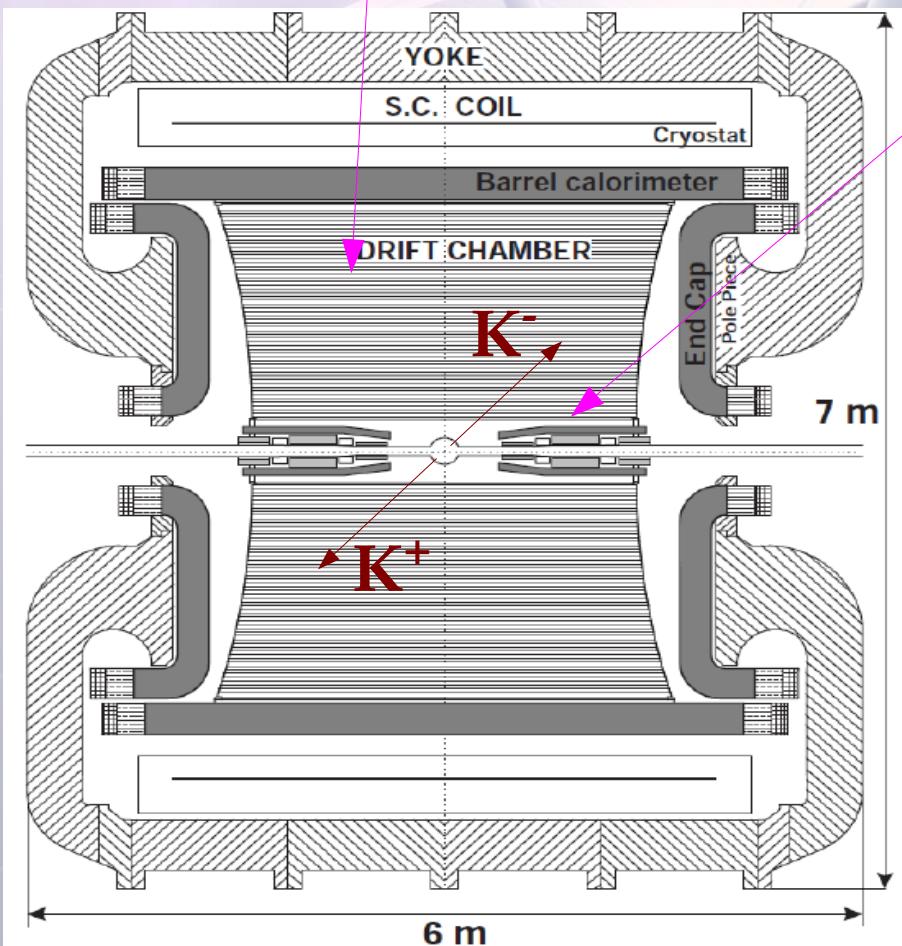
How to do that? ... K⁻ absorption on light nuclei

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from the materials of the KLOE detector

DC gas (90% He, 10% C₄H₁₀) & DC wall (C + H)

AT-REST (K⁻ absorbed from atomic orbit) or IN-FLIGHT
(p_K~100MeV)



Advantage:

excellent resolution ..

$$\sigma_{p\Lambda} = 0.49 \pm 0.01 \text{ MeV/c in DC gas}$$

$$\sigma_{m\gamma\gamma} = 18.3 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV/c}^2$$

Disadvantage:

Not dedicated target → different nuclei
contamination → complex interpretation .. but
→ new features .. K⁻ in flight absorption.

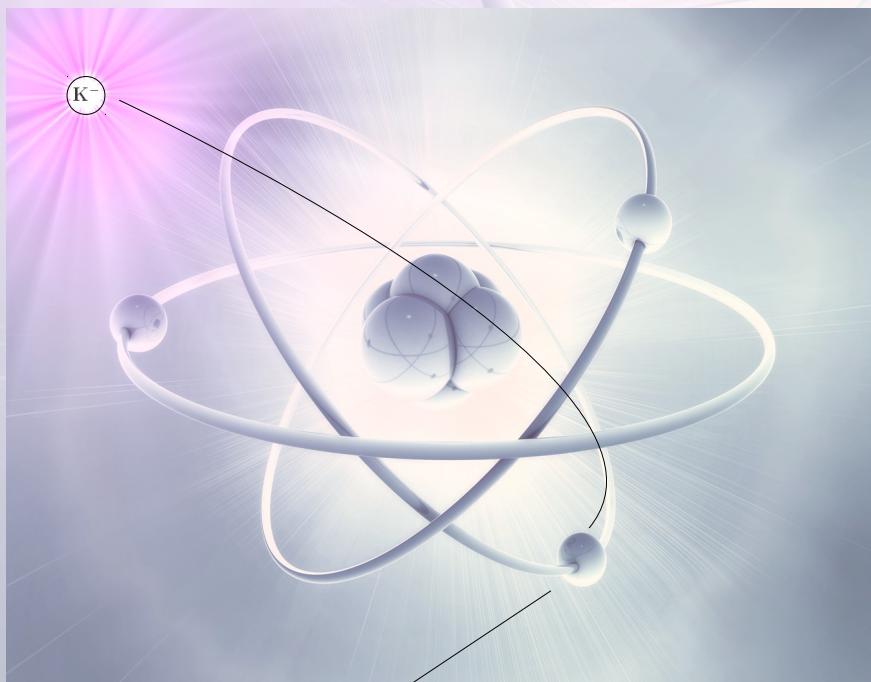
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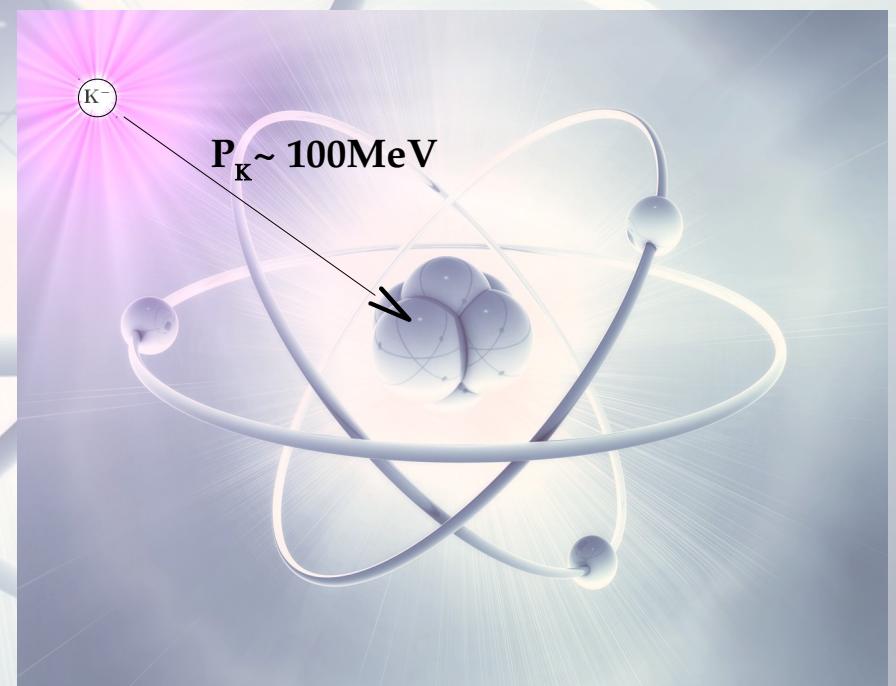
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K⁻ absorbed from atomic orbit

($p_K \sim 0$ MeV)



IN-FLIGHT
($p_K \sim 100$ MeV)



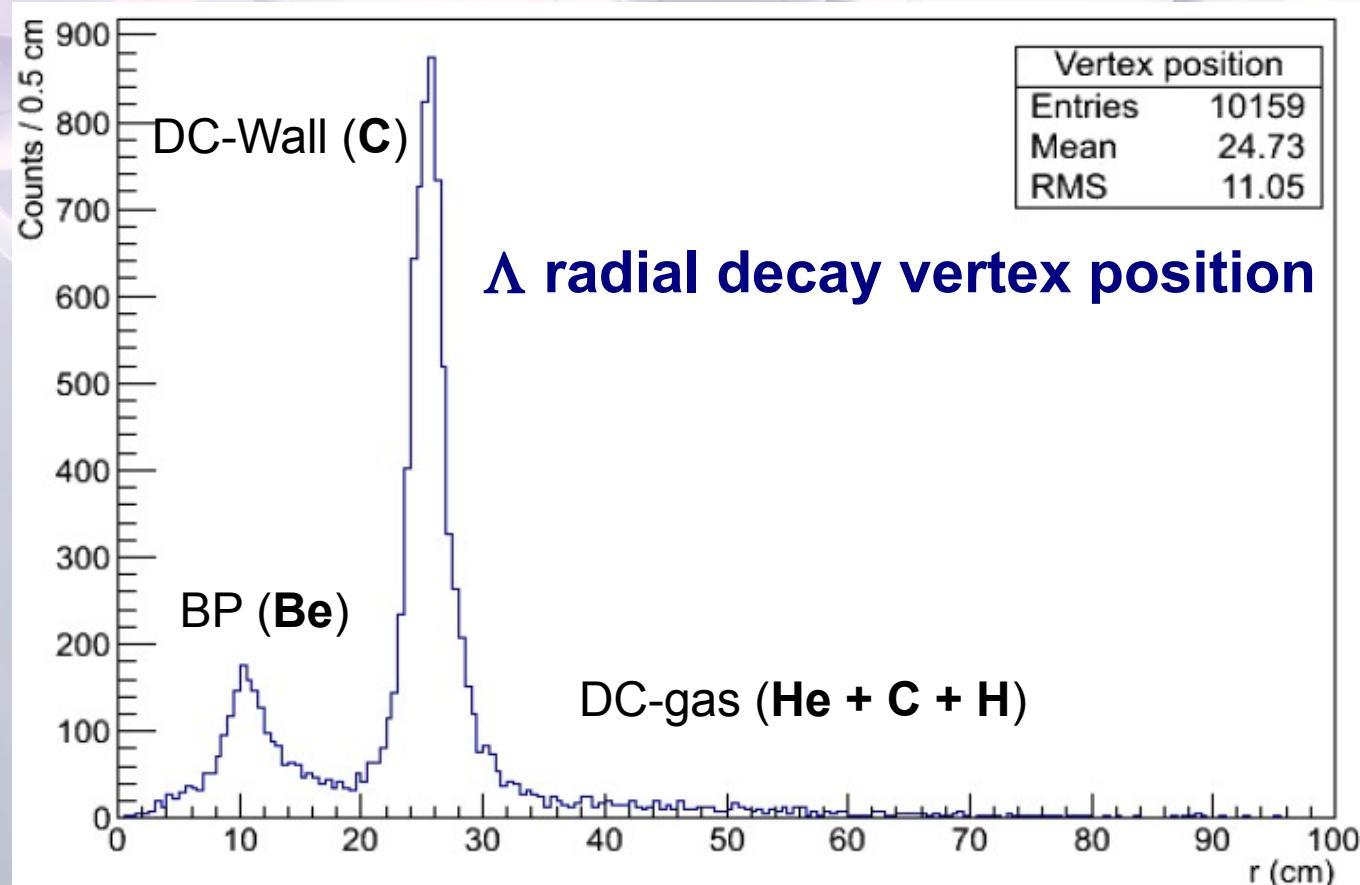
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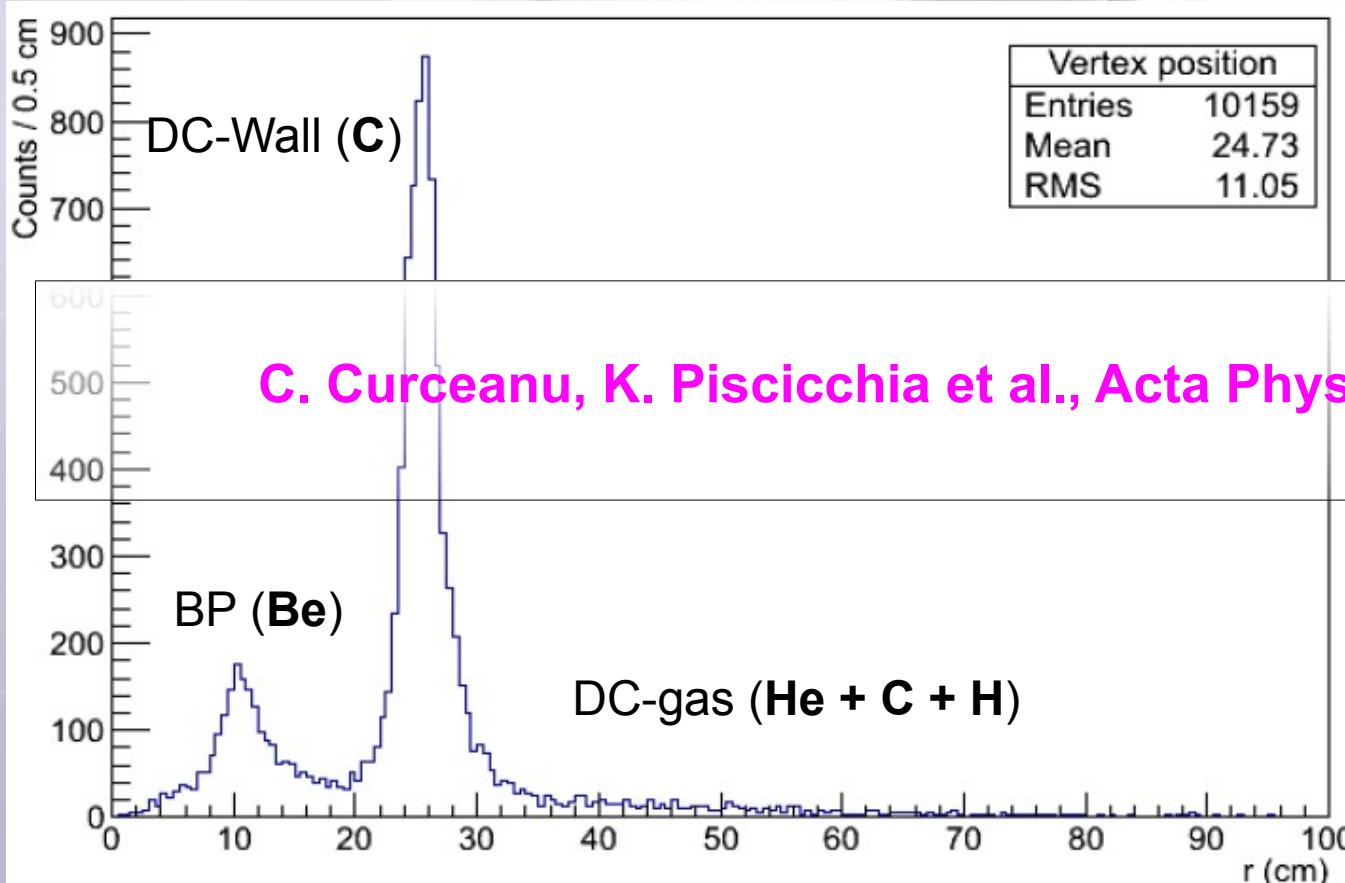
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PART 1

$Y \pi$ CORRELATION

resonant VS non-resonant production study

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High mass $\rightarrow \bar{K}N$

Low mass $\rightarrow \Sigma\pi$

line-shape depends on production mechanism

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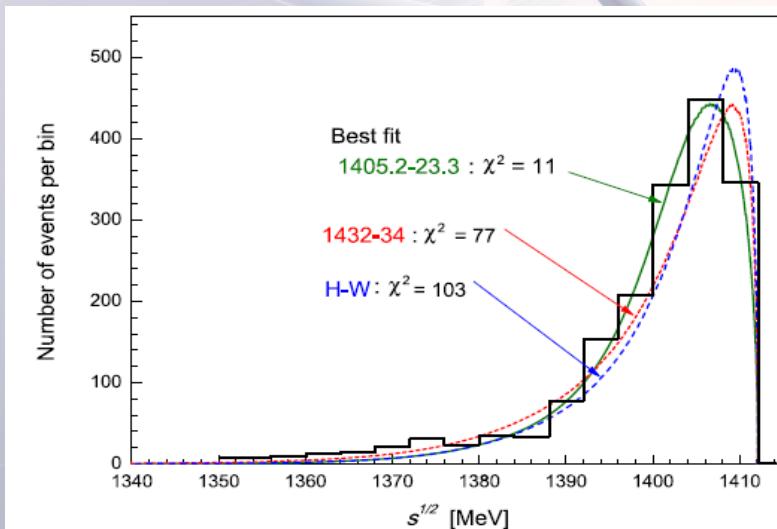
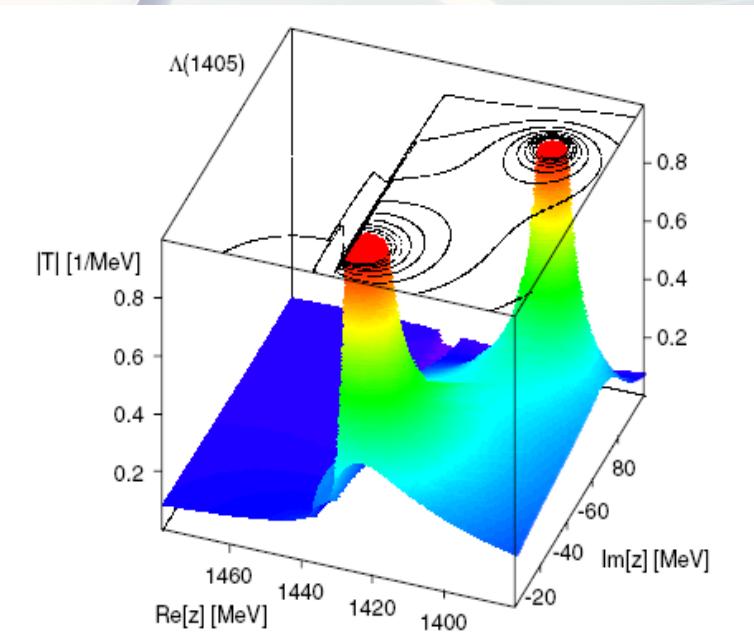


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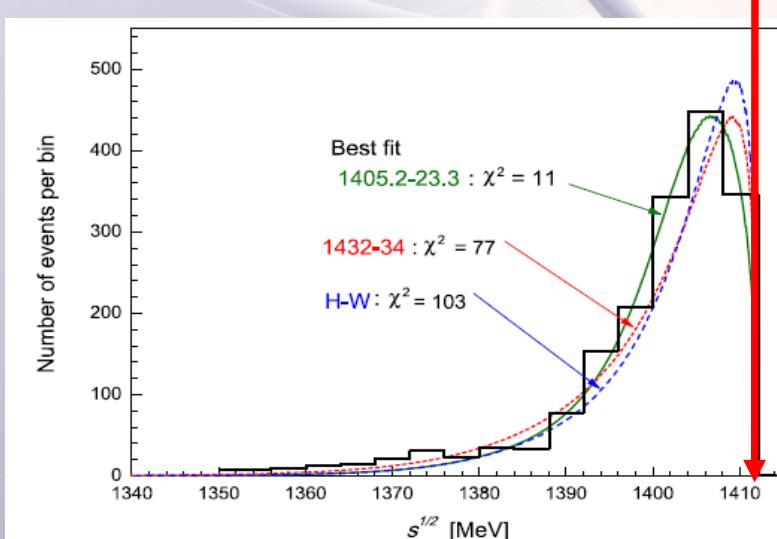


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"A study of $K^- {}^4He \rightarrow (\Sigma \pm \pi \mp) + {}^3H$ using slow instead of stopping K^- would be very useful in eliminating some of the uncertainties in interpretation"

D. Riley, et al. Phys. Rev. D11 (1975) 3065

CUT AT THE ENERGY LIMIT AT-REST ?

NON RESONANT SHAPE ?

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4) two poles: (2)

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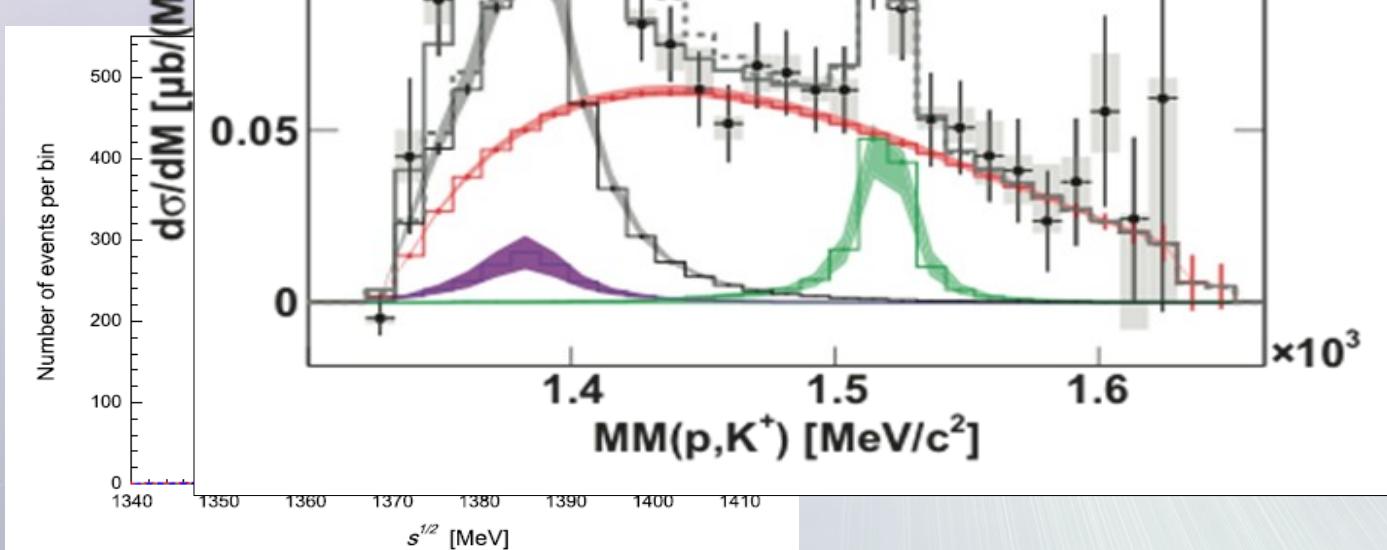
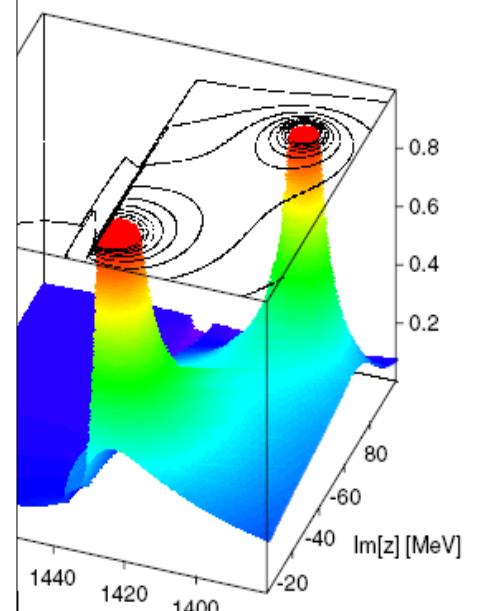


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Scientific case of the $\Lambda(1405)$

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$\Lambda(1405)$ is $I = 0$

$\Sigma^0\pi^0$ ($I=0$) golden decay channel

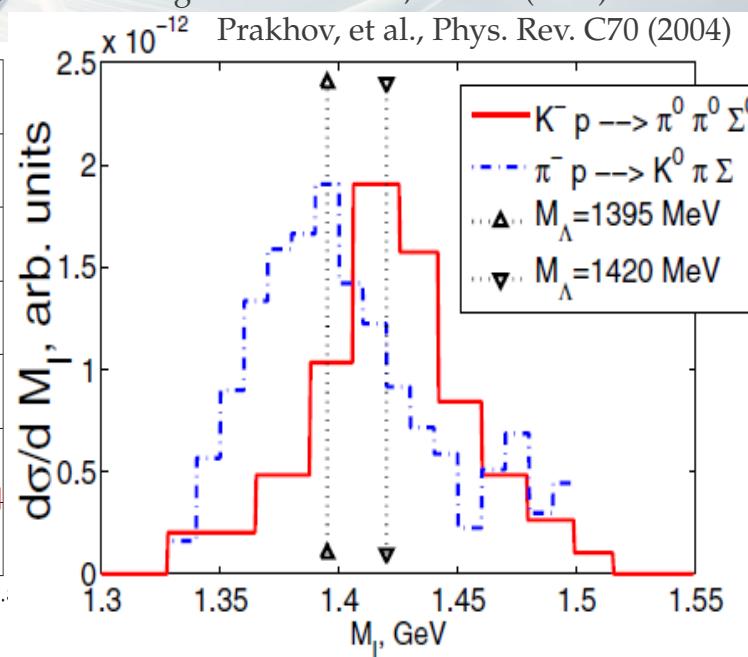
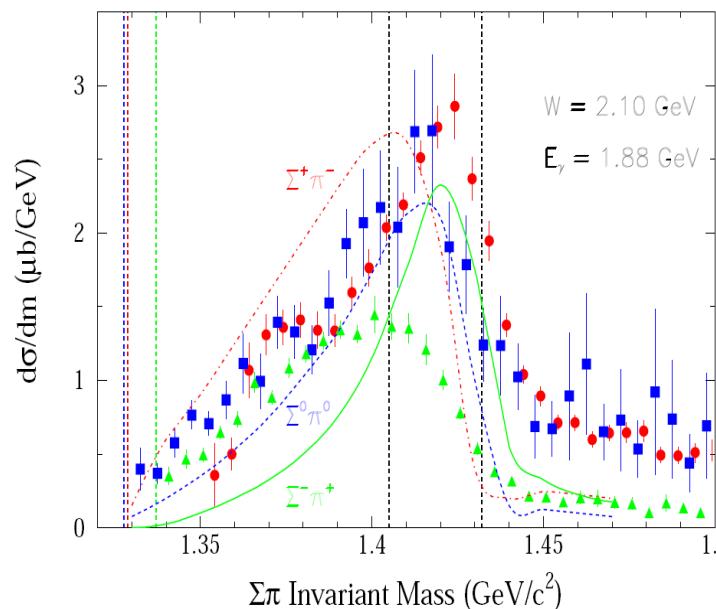
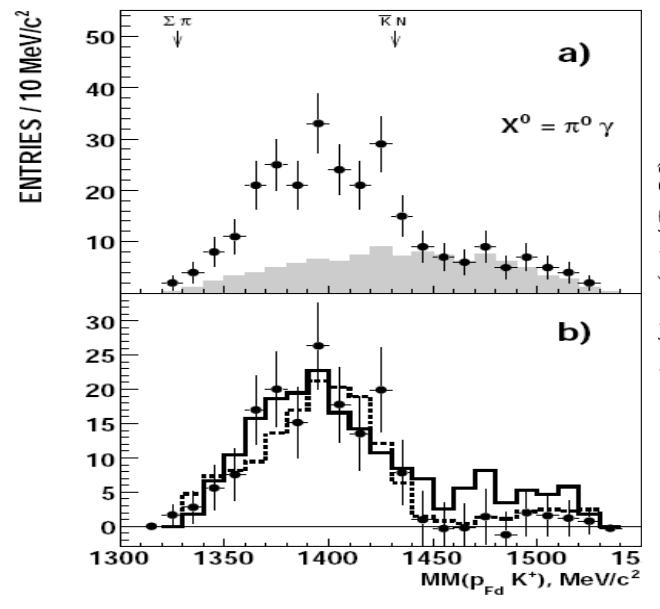
(free from $\Sigma(1385)$ background $I=1$)

The $\Sigma^0\pi^0$ spectrum was **only observed in 3 experiments** ... with different line-shapes !

I. Zychor et al., Phys. Lett. B 660 (2008) 167

K. Moriya, et al., (Clas Collaboration) Phys. Rev. C 87, 035206 (2013)

Magas et al. PRL 95, 052301 (2005) 034605 S. Prakhov, et al., Phys. Rev. C70 (2004)



Ongoing fit of $\Sigma^0\pi^0$

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8 component fit :

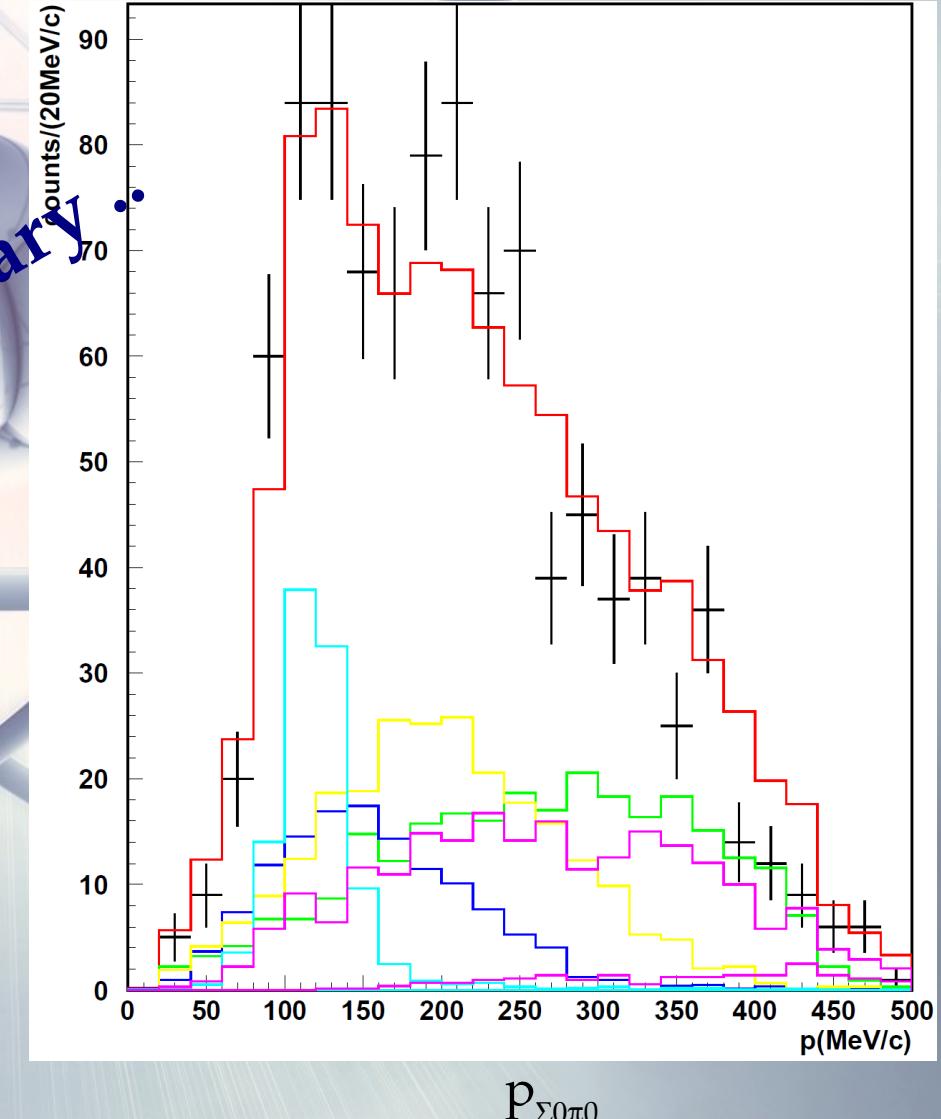
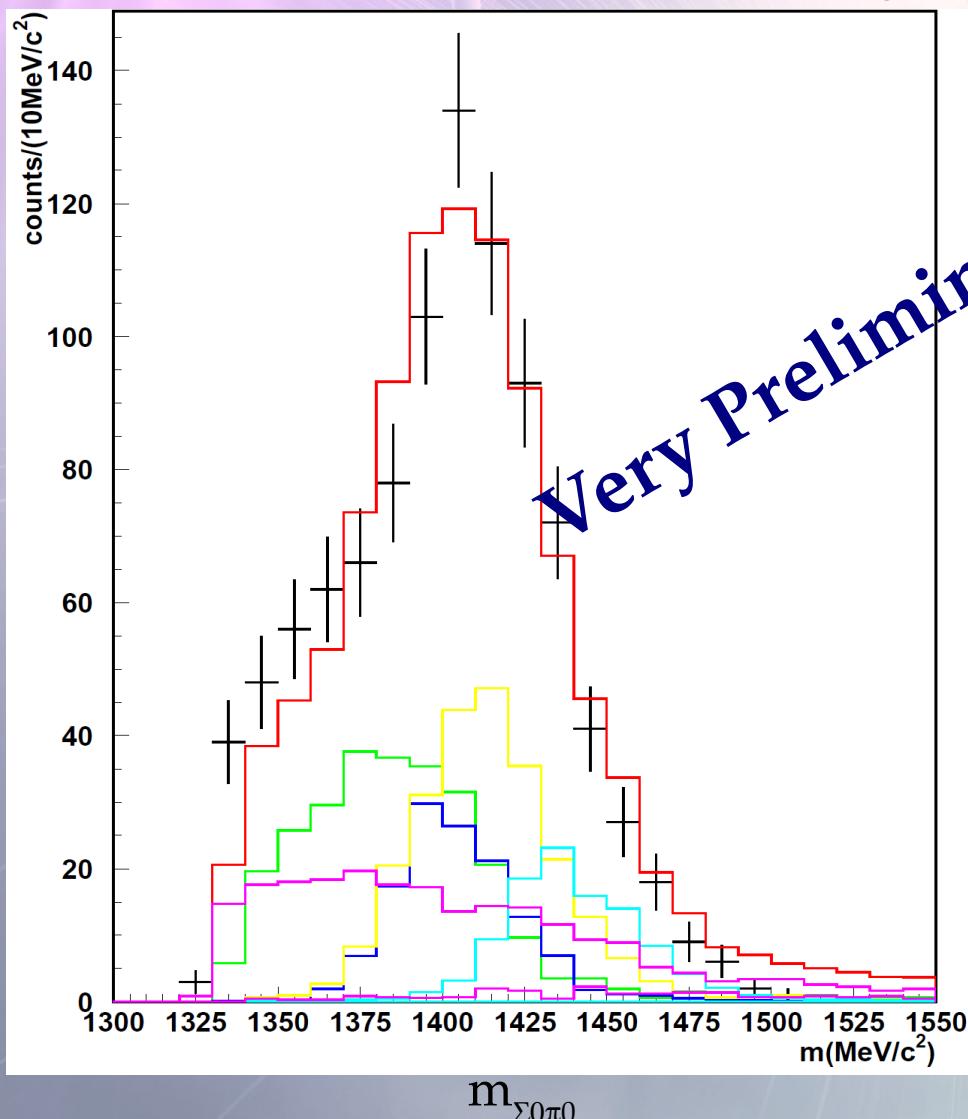
- Resonant component K⁻ C at-rest/in-flight. $(M, \Gamma) = (1405 \div 1430, 5 \div 52)$
better description of the resonance lineshape is needed, work in progress with the Prague group
- Non resonant $\Sigma^0\pi^0$ K⁻ H production at-rest/in-flight
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- $\Lambda\pi^0$ background ($\Sigma(1385) + \text{I.C.}$)
- non resonant misidentification (*n.r.m.*) background

Fit of $\Sigma^0\pi^0$ spectrum in C

$\chi^2_{\text{min}}/\text{ndf} \sim 1.7$ corresponding to $(M_{\text{min}}, \Gamma_{\text{min}}) = (1426, 52) \text{ MeV}/c^2$

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- Global fit ——————
- Resonant component $K^- C$ at-rest ——————
- n. r. $K^- C$ at-rest ——————
- n. r. $K^- C$ in-flight ——————
- n. r. $K^- H$ in-flight ——————
- $\Lambda^0\pi^0$ background + n. r. m. ——————



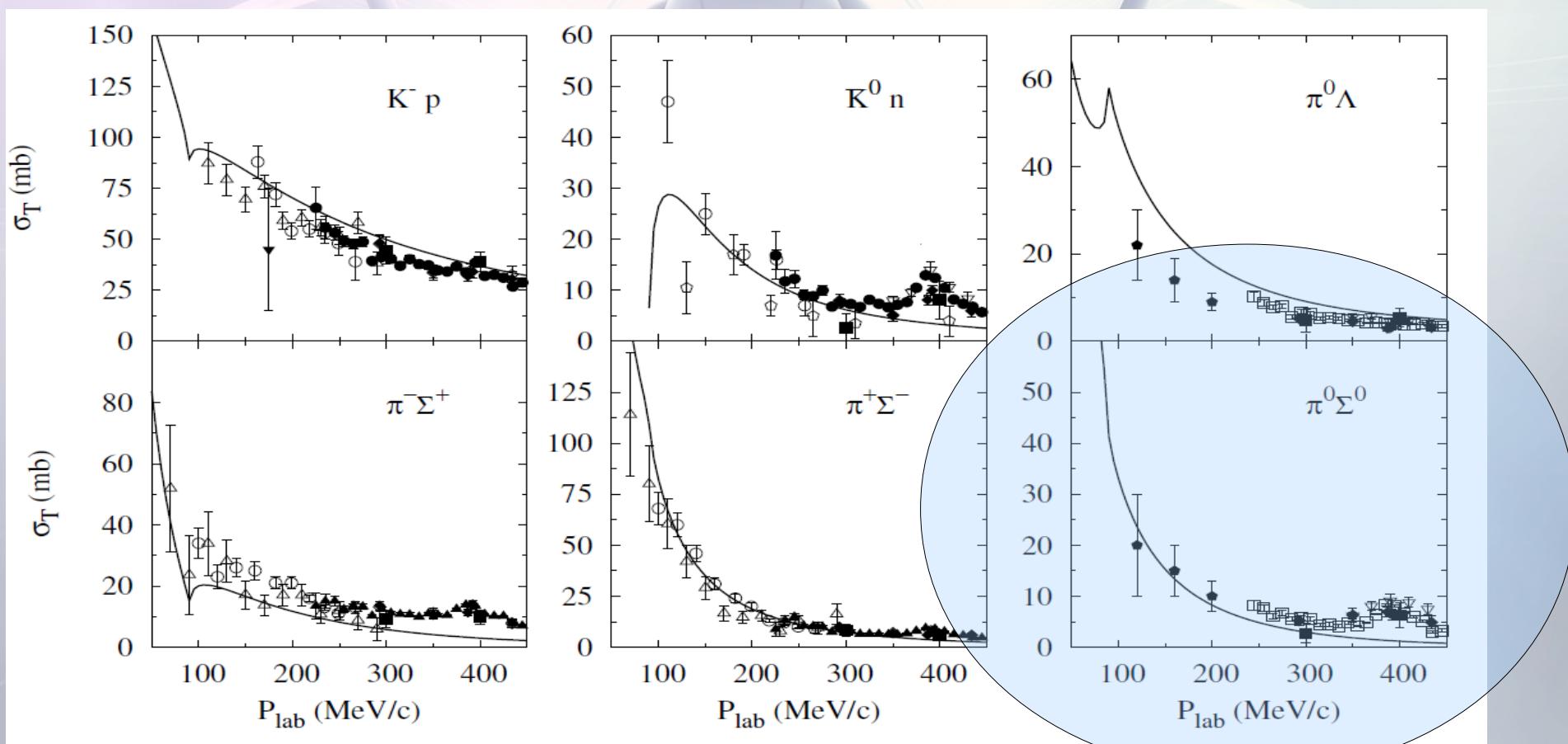
$p_{\Sigma_0\pi_0}$

$K^- p \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \pi^0$ cross section measurement at $p_K \sim 100$ MeV/c



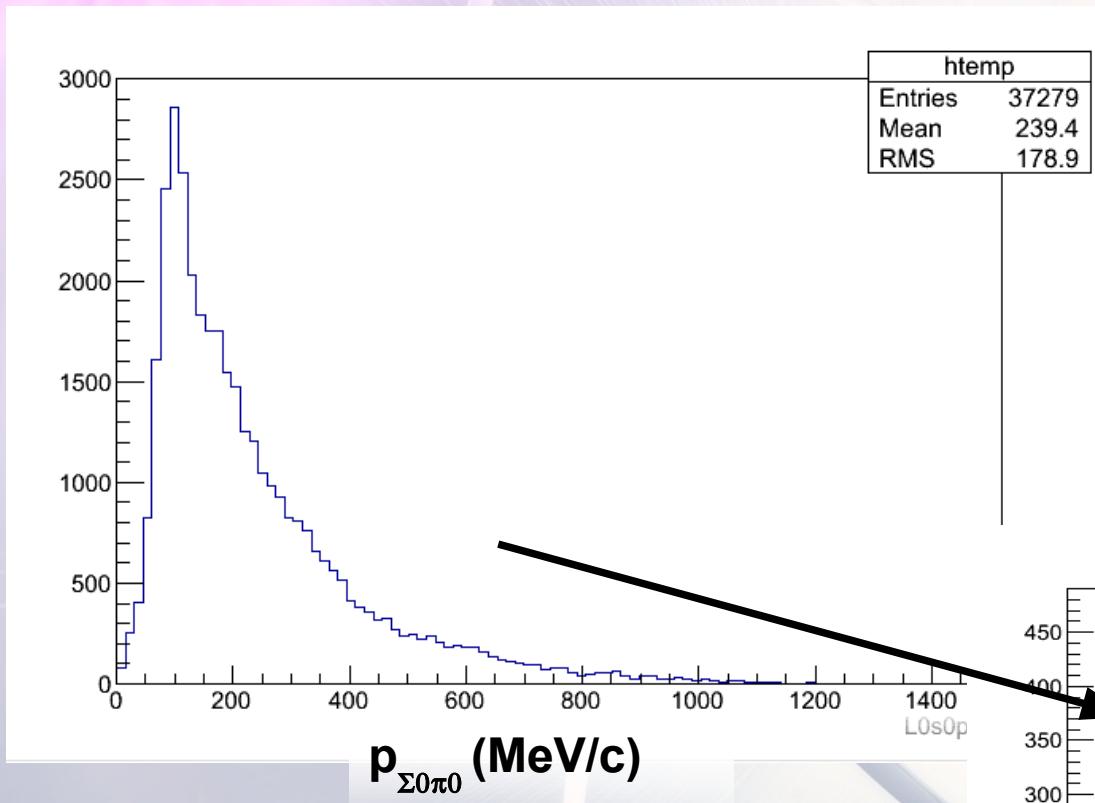
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- $K^- p \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \pi^0$ cross section measurement at or below 100 MeV/c missing
- existing data at (120, 160, ..) MeV/c with big relative errors (about 50% & 120 MeV/c)



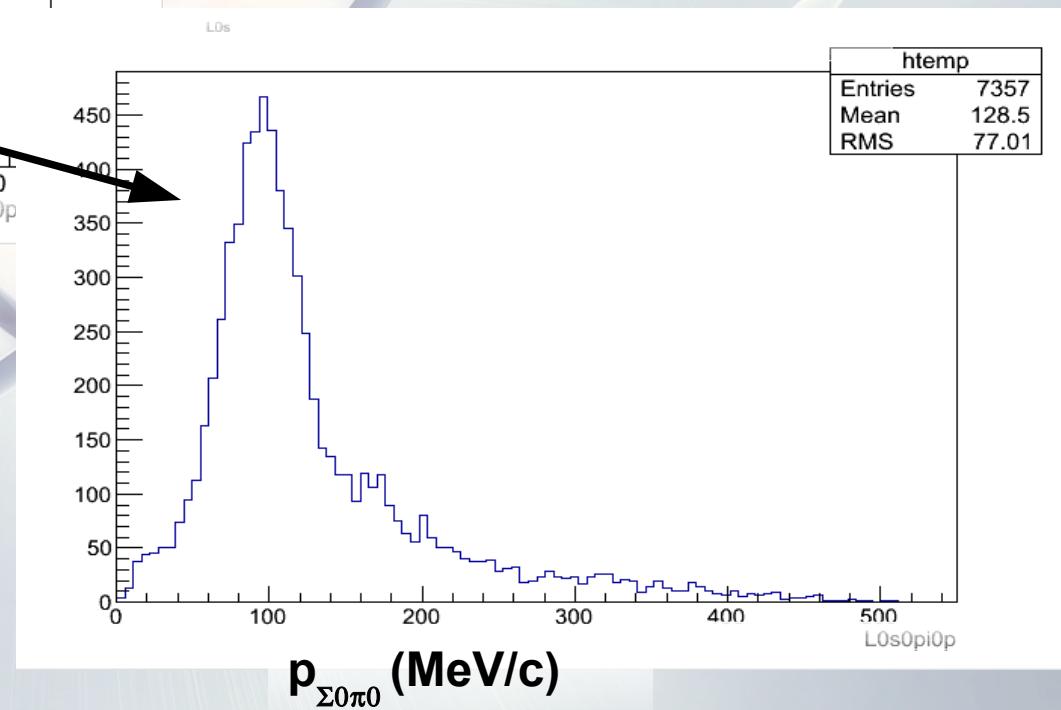
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Cuts based on K- H in-flight capture kinematics:

- $\Theta(p_\gamma - p_{\gamma'}) \rightarrow \pi^0$ opening angle
- $p_{\pi^0} \rightarrow \pi^0$ momentum
- $p_{\Sigma^0} \rightarrow \Sigma^0$ momentum



$K^- p \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \pi^0$ cross section measurement at $p_K \sim 100 \text{ MeV}/c$

Simultaneous fit of

- $\Sigma^0\pi^0$ momentum
- $\Sigma^0\pi^0$ invariant mass
- $\Sigma^0\pi^0$ angular correlation

With 6 components:

- K^- H capture at-rest + in-flight \rightarrow kinematics is closed
- K^- 4He capture at-rest + in-flight ($l_K = 1$)
- K^- 12C capture at-rest + in-flight ($l_K = 2$, kaon captured on valence proton)

$$A_{K-p \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \pi^0}(\mathbf{p}_{\Sigma^0 \pi^0}) = \int d\mathbf{k}_{\Sigma^0 \pi^0} d\mathbf{p}_R \phi_K(\mathbf{p}_K) \psi_p(\mathbf{k}_{pR}) t(\mathbf{k}_{\Sigma^0 \pi^0}, \mathbf{k}'_{\Sigma^0 \pi^0}, E_{\Sigma^0 \pi^0}) \delta^3(\mathbf{p}_R - \mathbf{p}'_R).$$

Each process considered non-resonant (transition no momentum dependent)

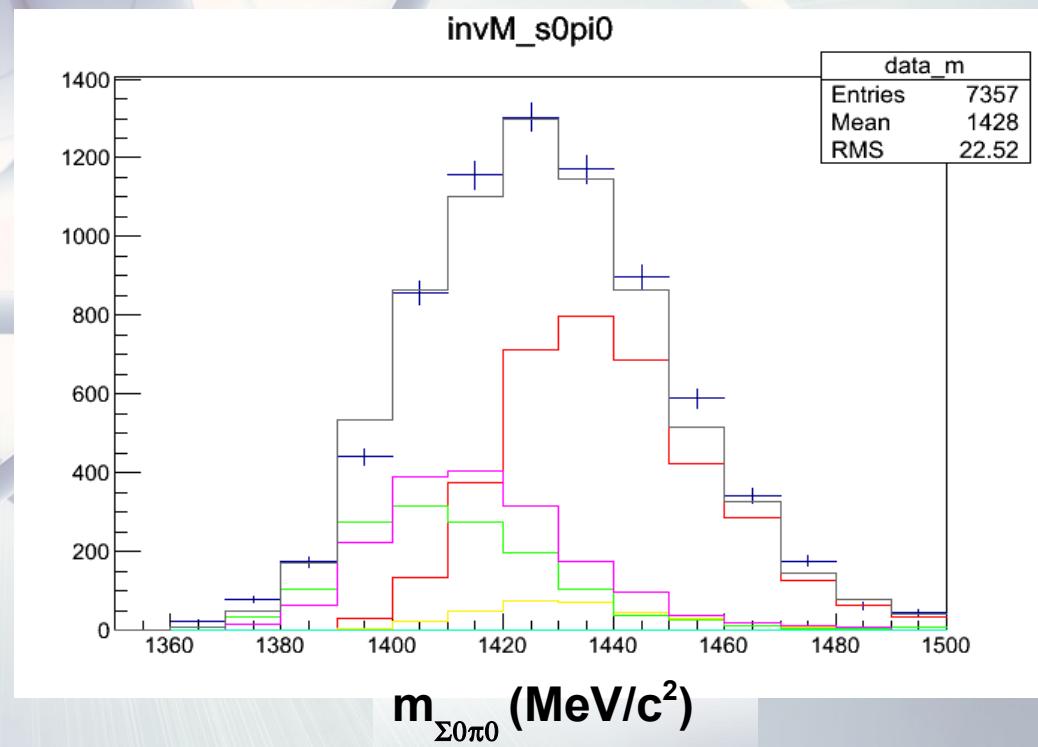
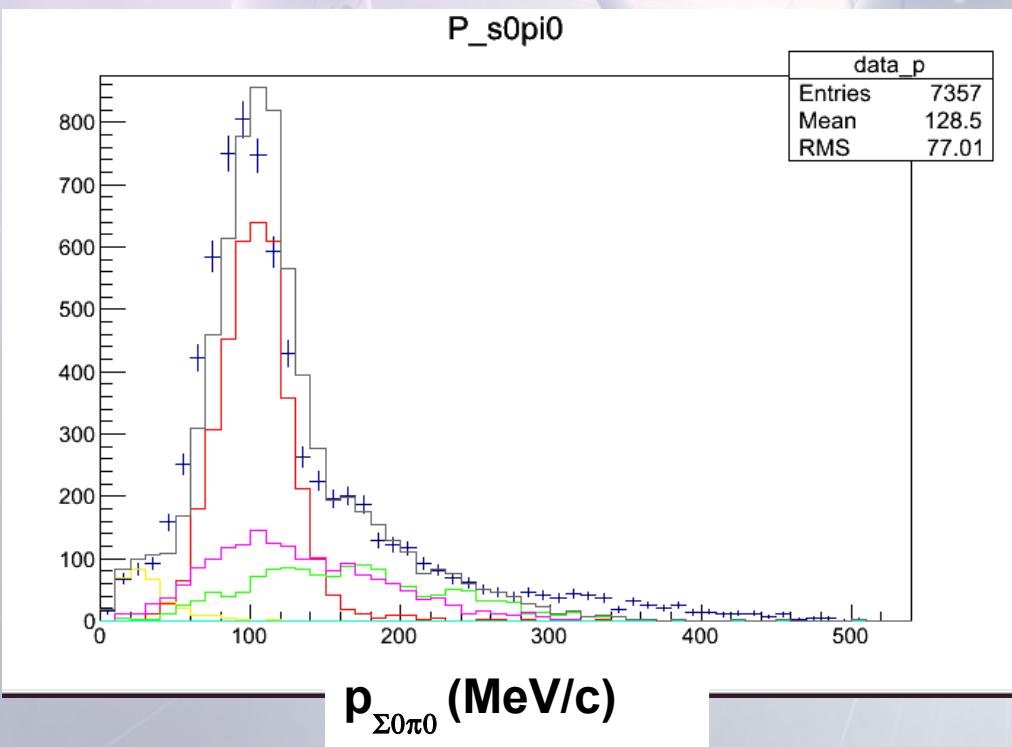
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$\Sigma^+ \pi^-$ correlation

$K^- p \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \pi^-$ detected via: $(p\pi^0) \pi^-$

Possibility to disentangle: Hydrogen, in-flight, at-rest, K^- capture

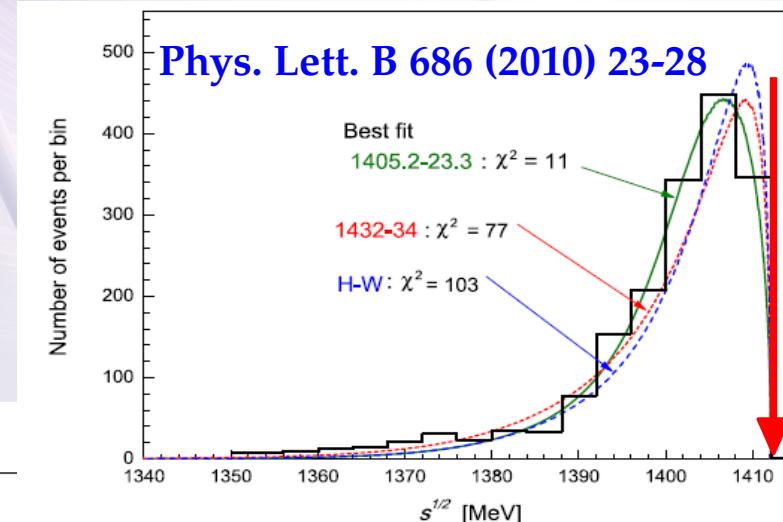
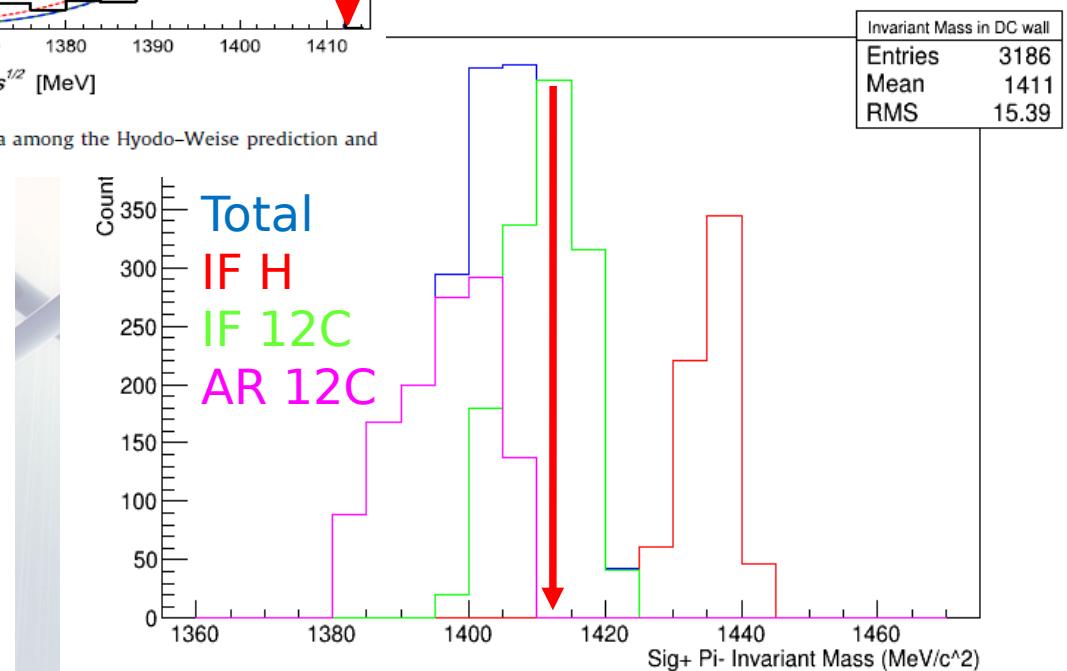
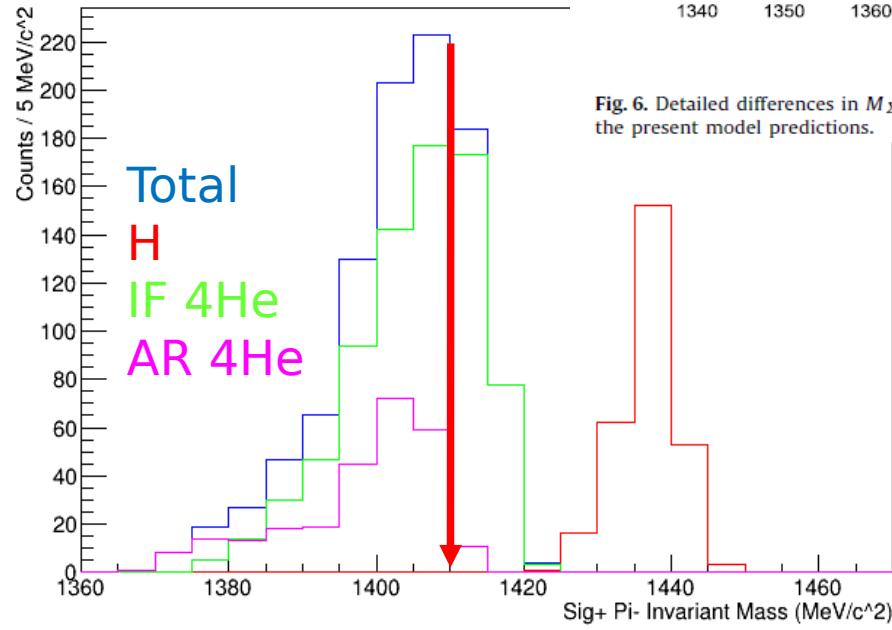


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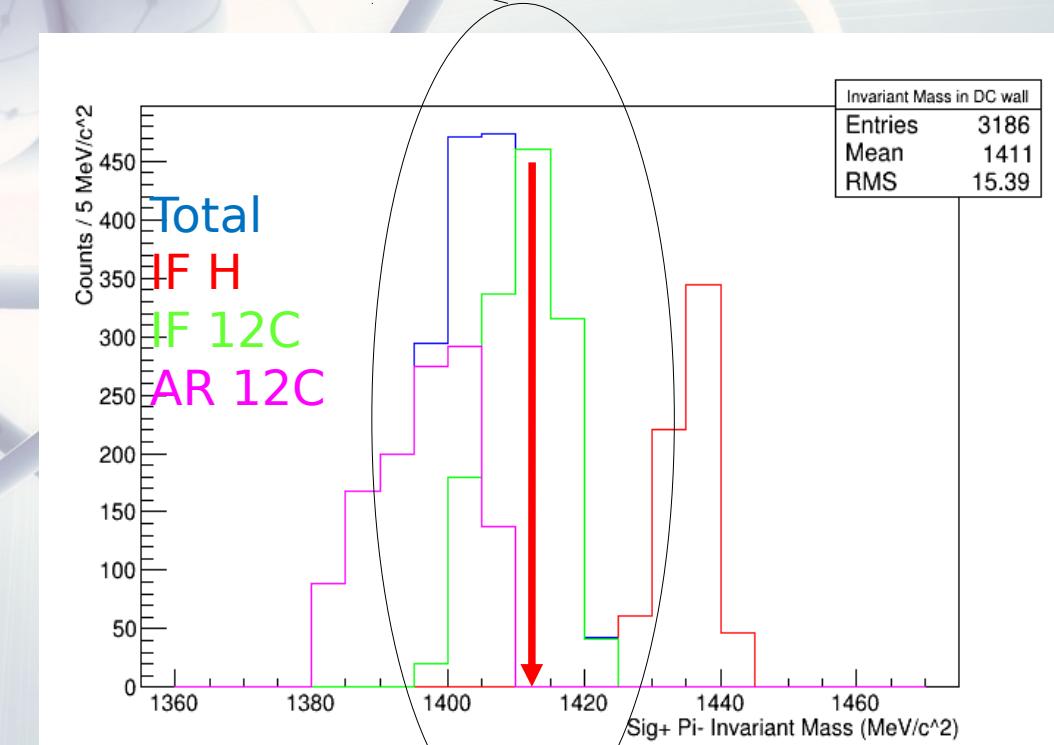
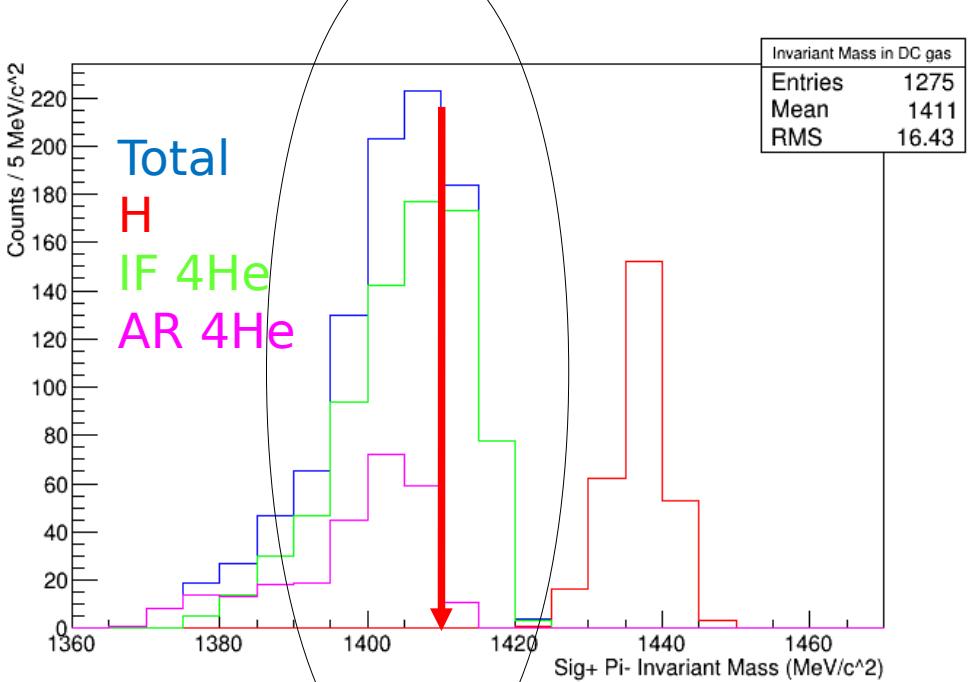
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if resonant production contribution is important a high mass component appears!



Resonant VS non-resonant

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$$K^- N \rightarrow (Y^* ?) \rightarrow Y \pi$$

how much comes from resonance ?

Non resonant transition amplitude:

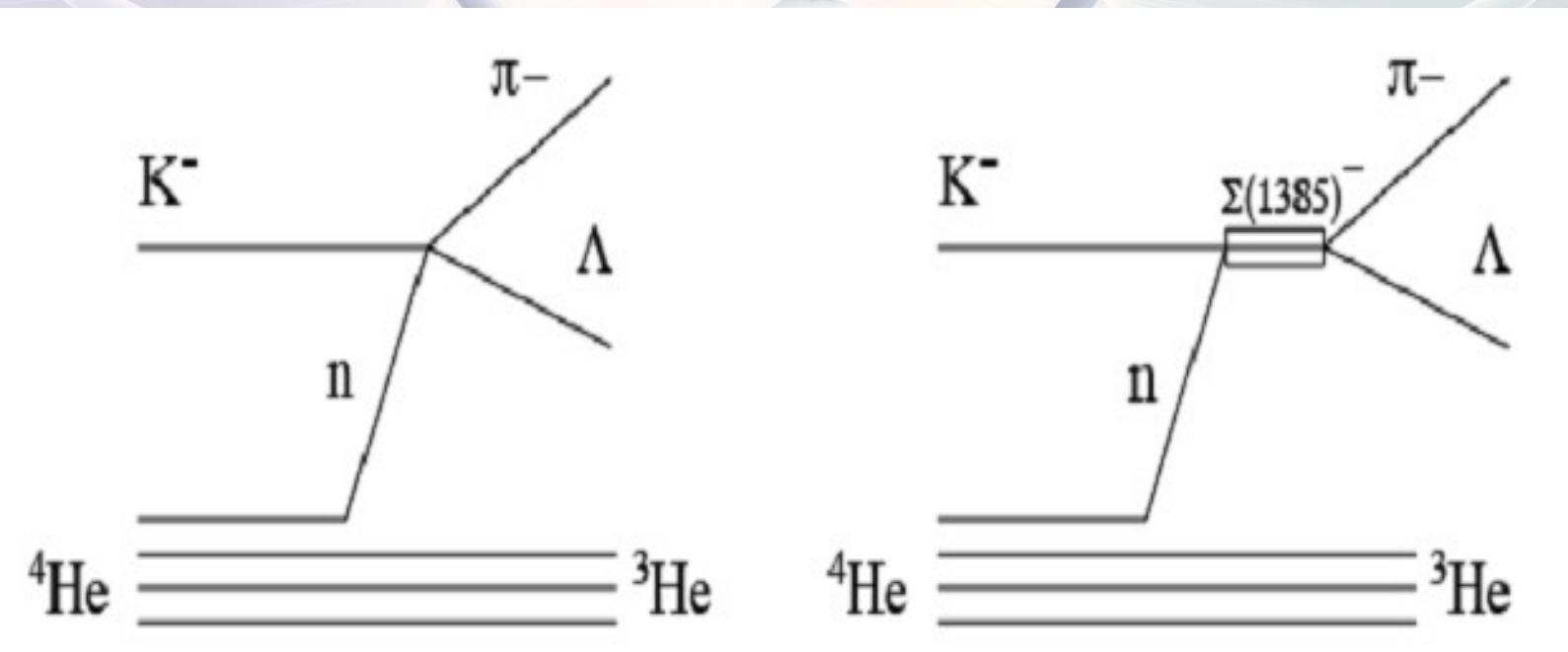
- Never measured before below threshold
 - few, old theoretical calculations
(Nucl. Phys. B179 (1981) 33-48)

K^- Resonant VS non-resonant

Investigated using:



In collaboration with Prof. S. Wycech

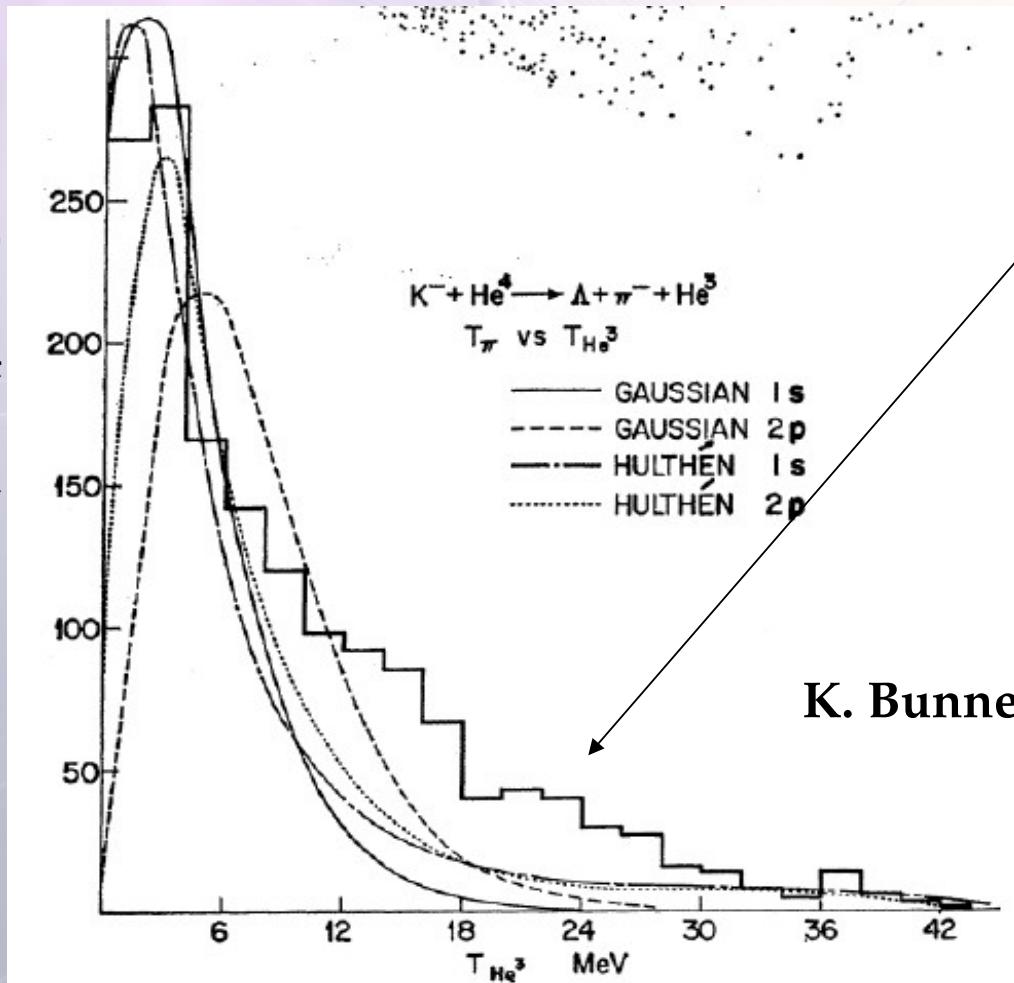


Channel: $K^- \ ^4He \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- \ ^3He$... the idea

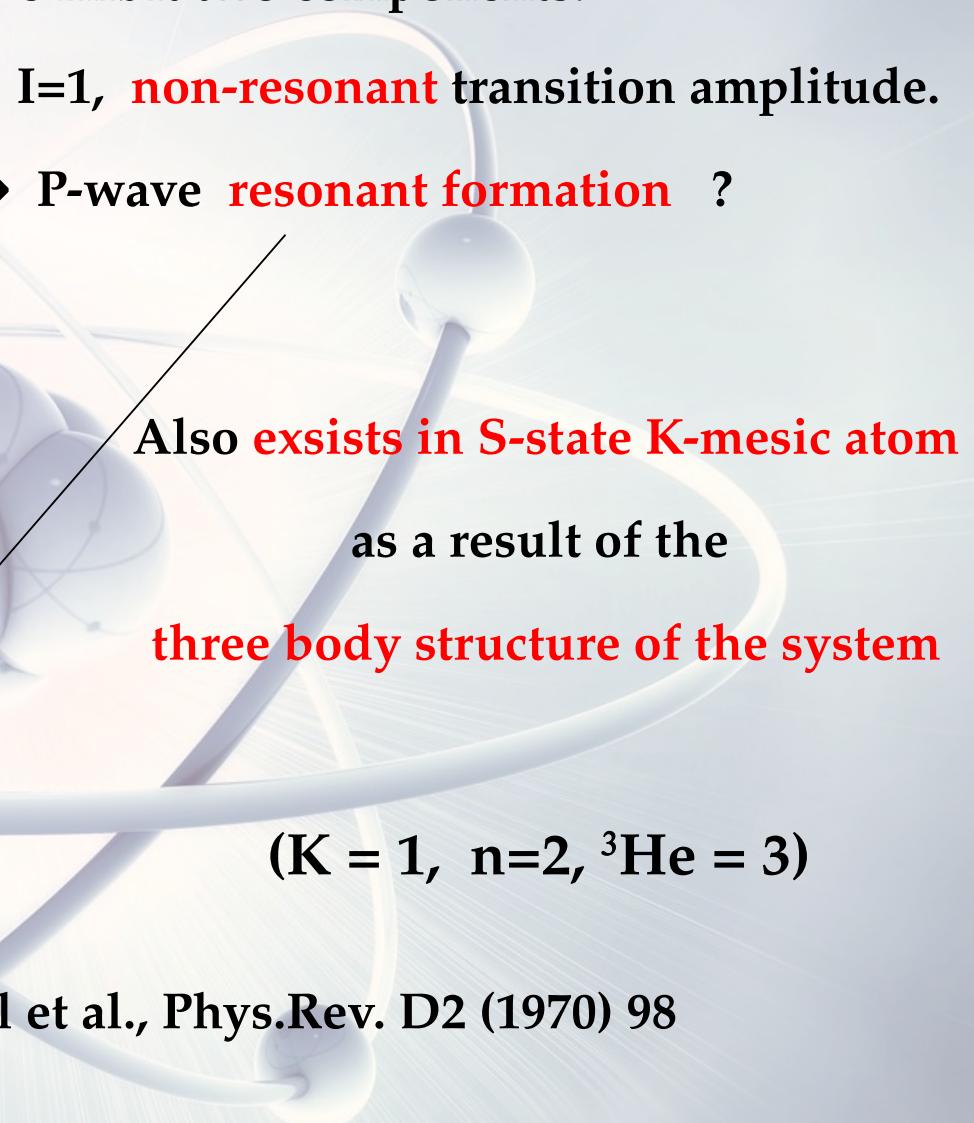
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Bubble chamber experiments exhibit two components:

- Low momentum $\Lambda \pi^-$ pair \rightarrow S-wave, $I=1$, non-resonant transition amplitude.
- High momentum $\Lambda \pi^-$ pair \rightarrow P-wave resonant formation ?



K. Bunnel et al., Phys.Rev. D2 (1970) 98

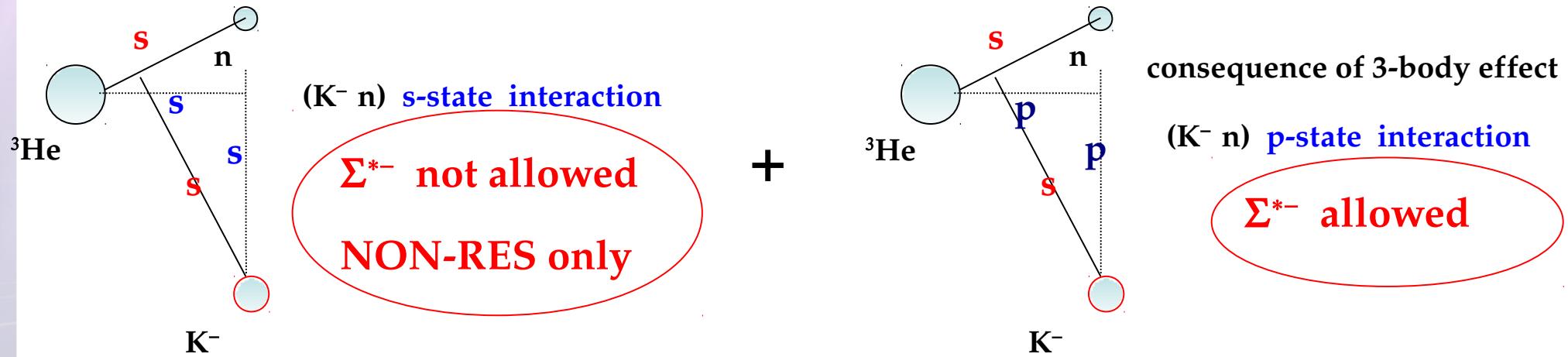


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$K^-(s=0) \ ^4He(s=0) \ n(s=1/2) \ \Sigma^{*-}(s=3/2) \rightarrow$ **resonance p-wave only**

atomic s-state capture:



- ($K^- \ ^4He \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- \ ^3He$) absorptions from ($n \ s$) - atomic states dominate → consistent with 4He bubble chamber data (Fetkovich, Riley interpreted by Uretsky, Wienke)
- Coordinates recoupling enables for P-wave resonance formation

Channel: $K^- {}^4He \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- {}^3He$... the strategy

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- To determine *for the first time* the ratio resonant/non-res

33 MeV below threshold

$|f_{\Lambda\pi}^{N-R}|$ given the fairly well known $|f_{\Lambda\pi}^{\Sigma^*}|$

Theoretical paper under finalization

Channel: $K^- {}^4He \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- {}^3He$... calculated reactions

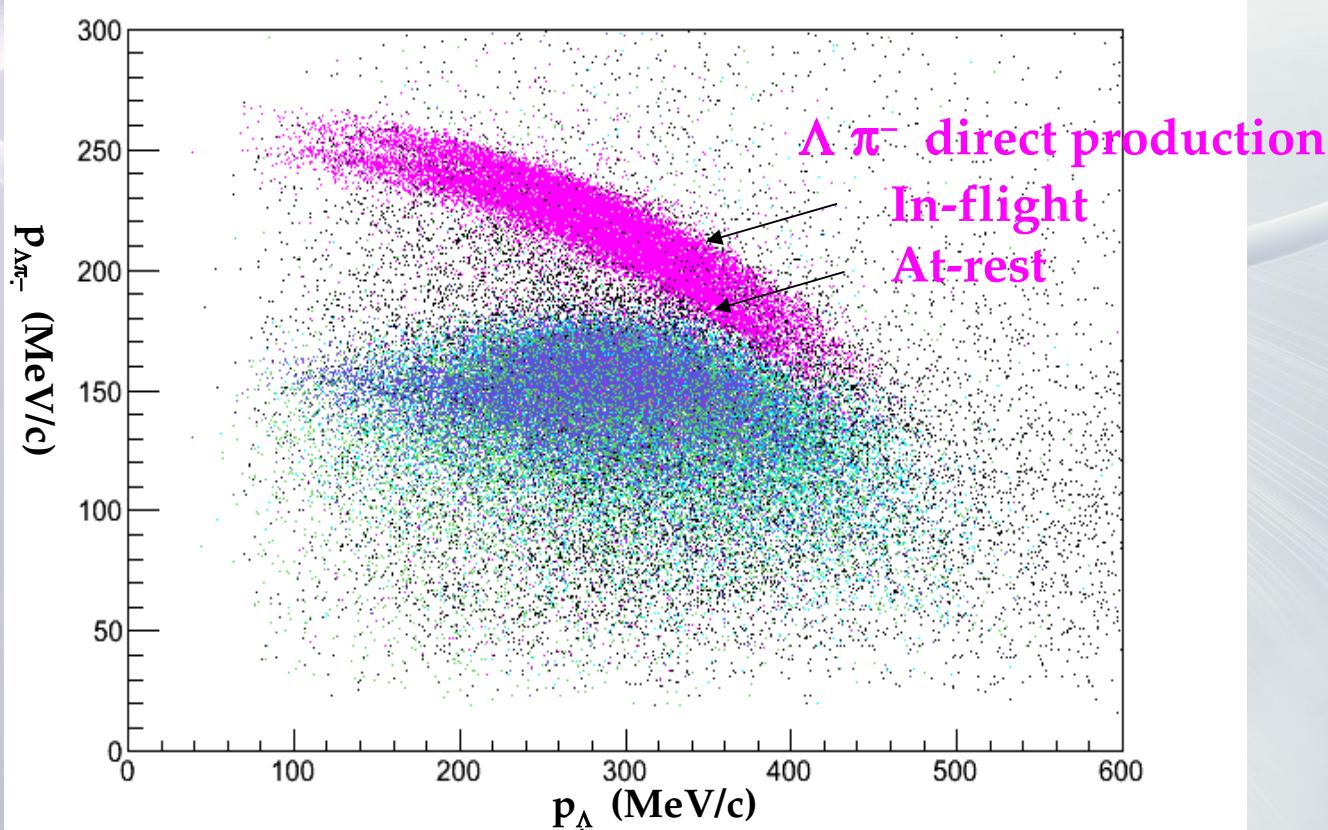
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$K^- {}^4He \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- {}^3He$

At-rest: S-wave non-Res / P-wave $\Sigma(1385)$ Res

In-flight: S-wave non-Res / P-wave $\Sigma(1385)$ Res

Direct $\Lambda \pi^-$ production .. SIGNAL

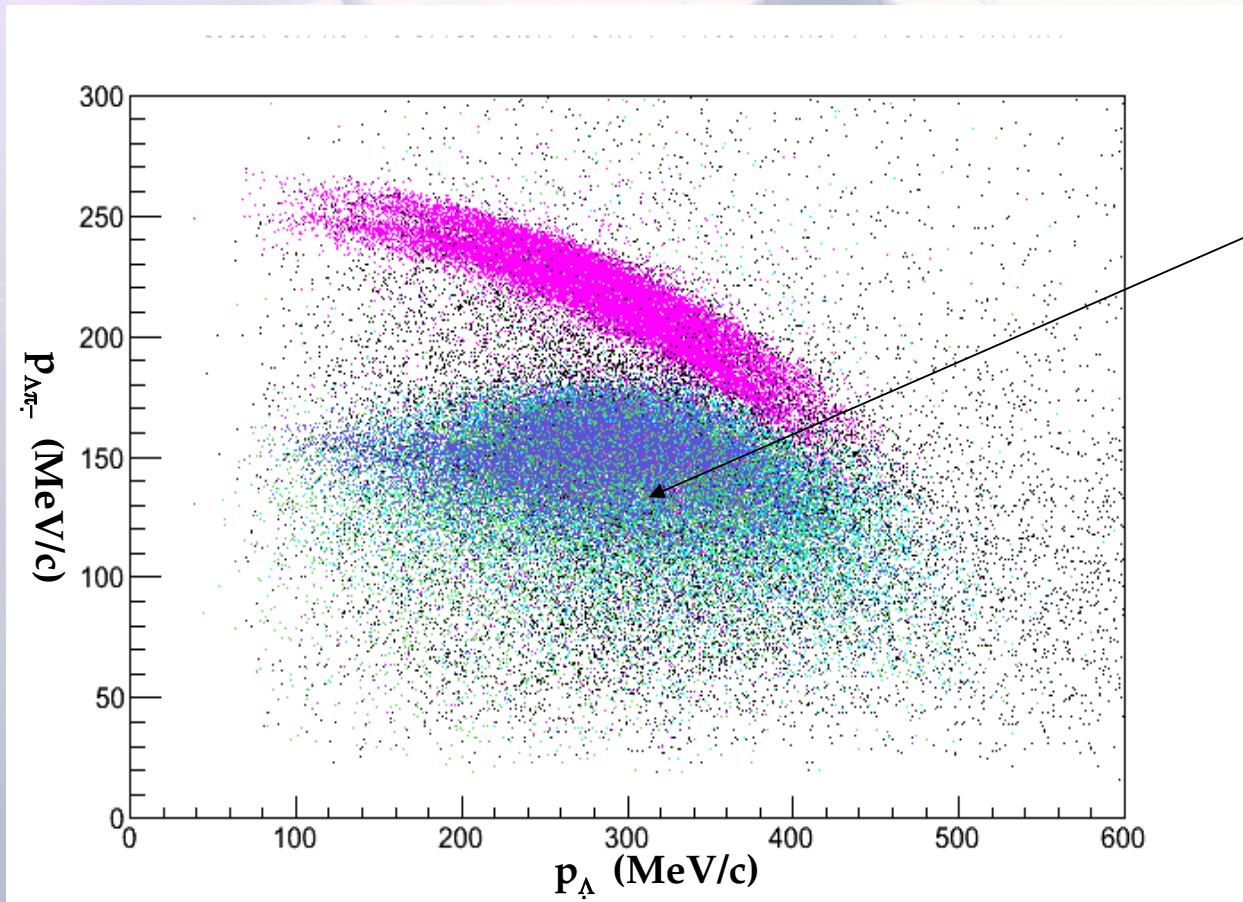


Channel: K^- ${}^4He \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^-$ 3He ... calculated reactions

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NOT Direct $\Lambda \pi^-$ production .. BACKGROUND

Λ comes from the Σ hyperon conversion on residual nucleons



NOT direct

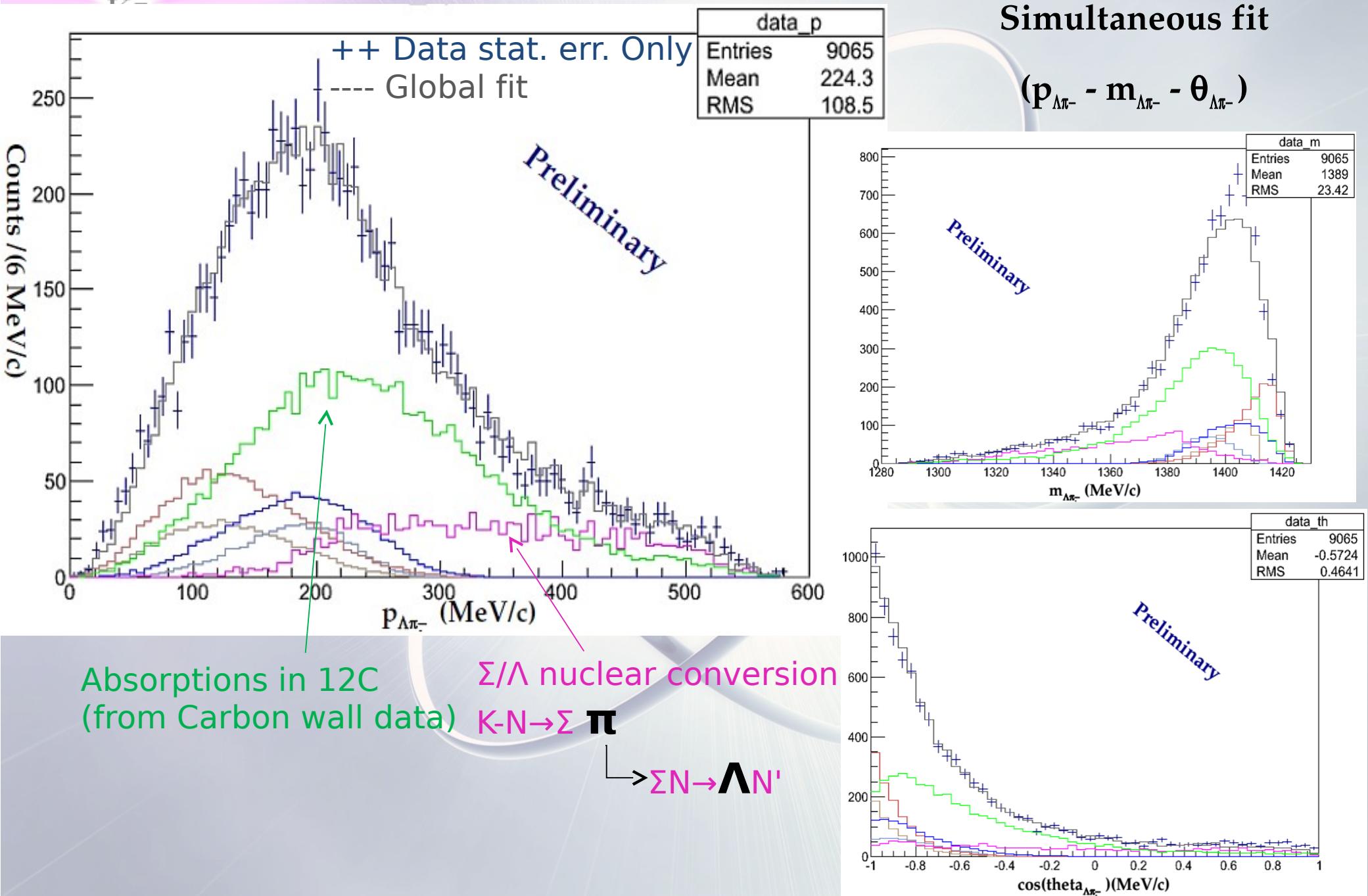
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$\Sigma^0 p$ conversion

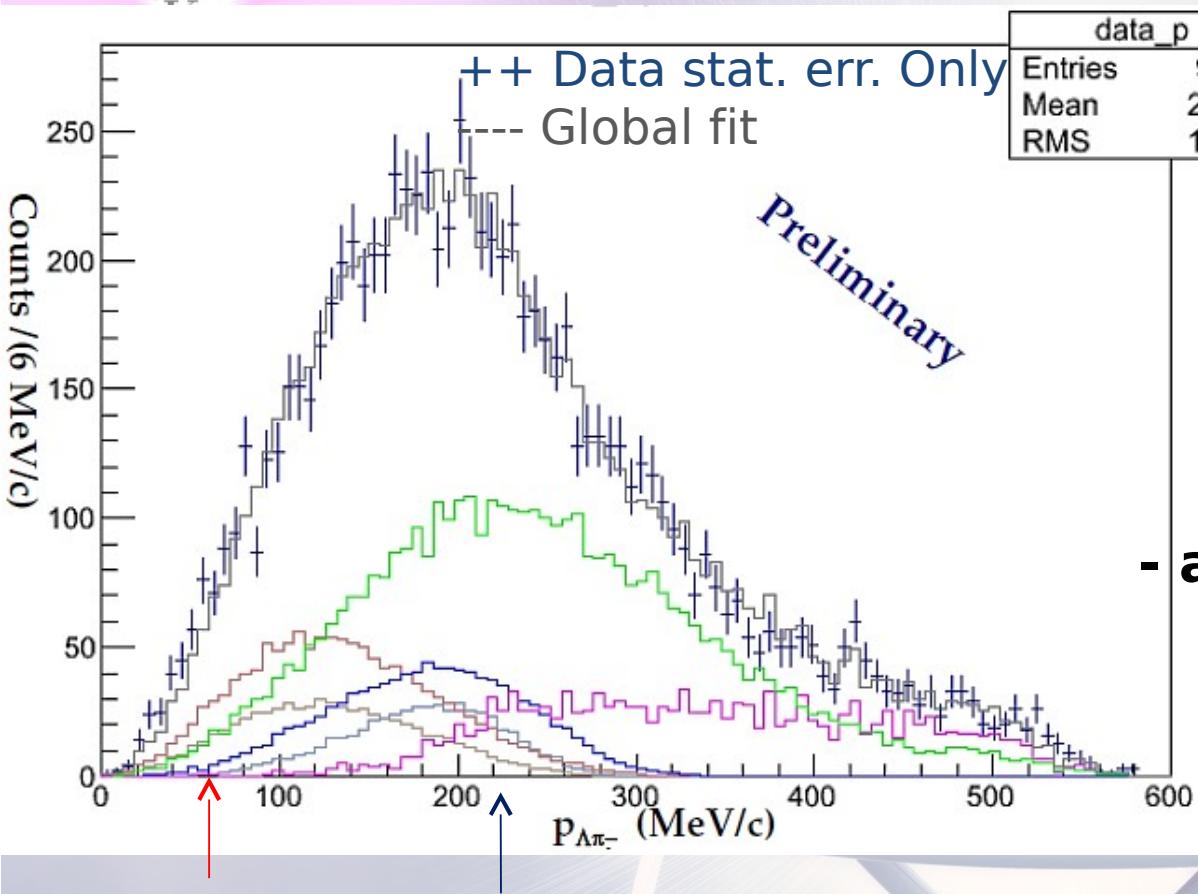
$\Sigma^0 n$ conversion

$\Sigma^+ n$ conversion

$K^- \bar{^4He} \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- \bar{^3He}$ preliminary fit



$K^- \ ^4He \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- \ ^3He$ preliminary fit

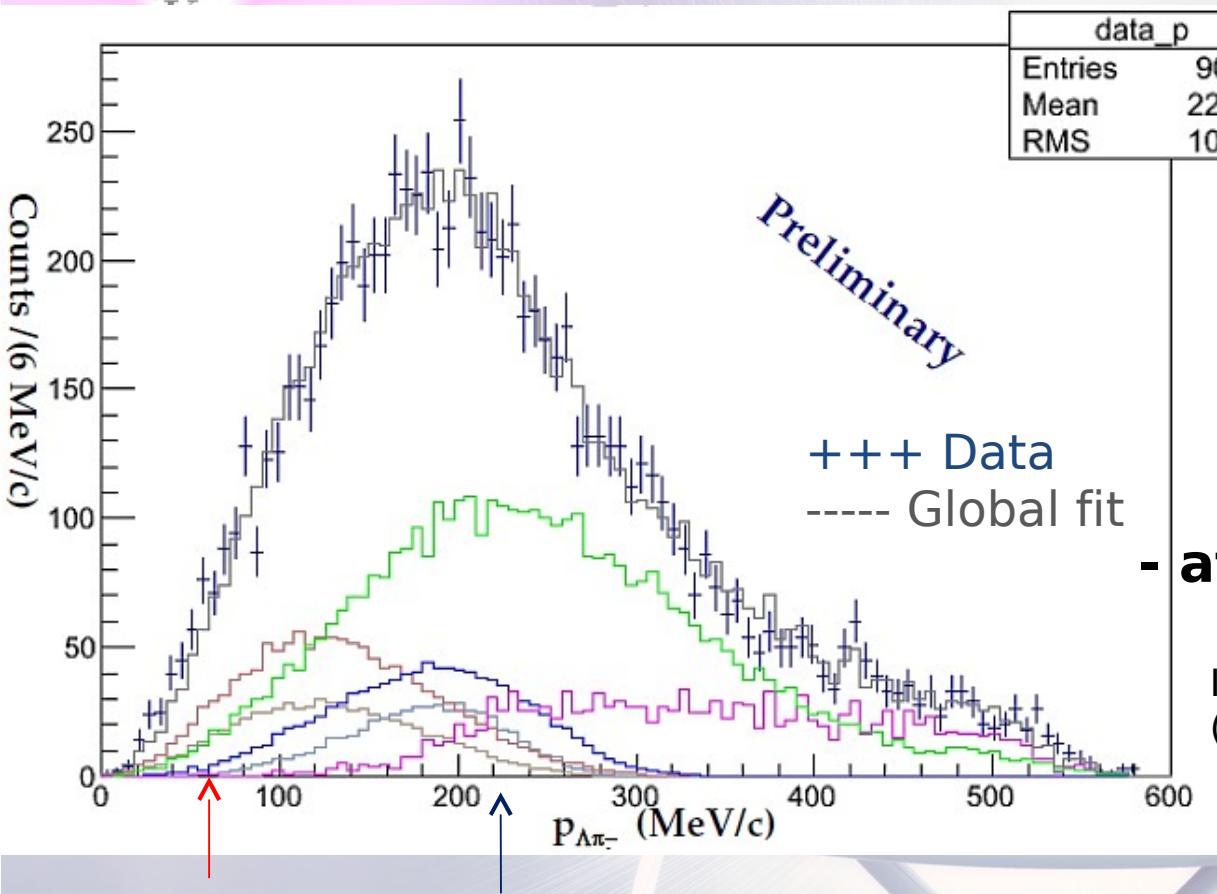


Simultaneous fit
 $(p_{\Lambda\pi^-} - m_{\Lambda\pi^-} - \theta_{\Lambda\pi^-})$

Resonant/non-resonant absorption ratio:
- at rest = 1.26 ± 0.06 (stat)

In-flight/at-rest ratio = 1.9 ± 0.4 (stat)
 (consistent with $\Sigma + \pi^-$ data = 2.2 ± 0.05)

$K^- \ ^4He \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- \ ^3He$ preliminary fit



Simultaneous fit

$$(p_{\Lambda\pi^-} - m_{\Lambda\pi^-} - \theta_{\Lambda\pi^-})$$

Resonant/non-resonant absorption ratio:
- at rest = 1.26 ± 0.06 (stat)

In-flight/at-rest ratio = 1.9 ± 0.4 (stat)
 (consistent with $\Sigma + \pi^-$ data = 2.2 ± 0.05)

Non-Resonant **Resonant** Σ^*
 (in-flight) (in-flight)
 (at-rest) (at-rest)

The $K\text{-}n \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-$ S-wave amplitude $|f_S|$ (fm) is extracted

$E = -33 \text{ MeV}$	$p_{\text{lab}} = 120 \text{ MeV}/c$	160	200	245
$0.22(0.01+0.06)$	$0.33(11)$	$0.29(10)$	$0.24(6)$	$0.28(2)$
preliminary				

$\Lambda\pi^0$ data from J. Kim, Nucl. Phys. B 129 (1977) 1.

Conclusions part 1

- $m_{\Sigma\pi}$ spectra show a **high invariant mass component** → associated to in-flight K^- capture
 - PRELIMINARY $\Lambda\pi^-$ first measurement of N-R ($I=1$) $_{\Lambda\pi}$ amplitude below threshold
 - Analysis is ongoing for $\Sigma^0\pi^-$ → extraction of $|f^{N-R}_{\Sigma^0\pi^-}(I=1)|$
 - Similar description of $\Sigma^+\pi^-$ and $\Sigma^-\pi^+$ production → extraction of $|f^{N-R}_{\Sigma^+\pi^-}|$ and $|f^{N-R}_{\Sigma^-\pi^+}|$, a comparison of these could give an estimate of $|f^{N-R}_{\Sigma^+\pi^-}(I=0) + f^{N-R}_{\Sigma^+\pi^-}(I=1)|$ against $|f^{N-R}_{\Sigma^+\pi^-}(I=0) - f^{N-R}_{\Sigma^+\pi^-}(I=1)|$
- Next steps ...

K^-

PART 2

Single & multi – nucleon K^- absorption

kaonic nuclear clusters

investigation through

$\Lambda - d,t$

correlation

Λp correlation study .. PART 2a

K^-

How deeply can an Antikaon be bound to a nucleus?

Possible bound states: $K^- pp - K^- p\bar{p}n$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & \Lambda/\Sigma p & \Lambda d \end{array}$$

predicted due to the strong $\bar{K}N$ interaction in the $I=0$ channel. (Wycech (1986) - Akaishi & Yamazaki (2002))

Different theoretical approaches:

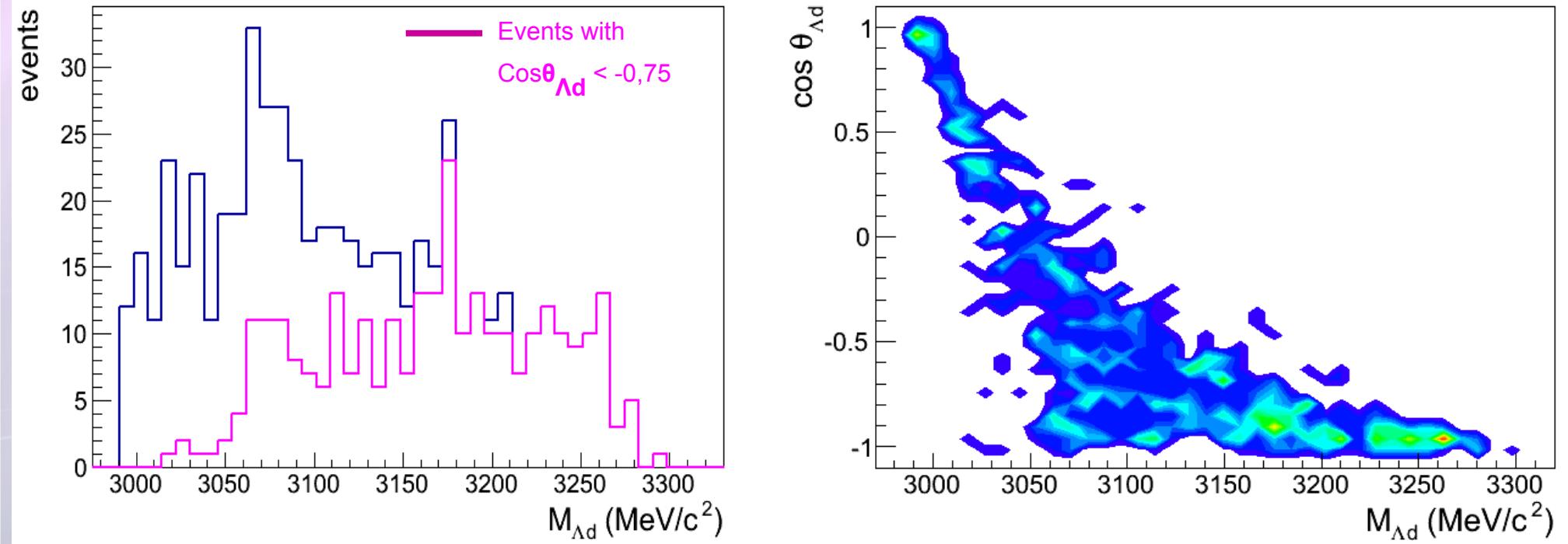
- Few-body calculations solving Faddeev equations
- Variational calculations with phenomenological $\bar{K}N$ potential
- $\bar{K}N$ effective interactions based on Chiral SU(3) dynamics

$K^- pp$ bound state

	Theoretical prediction	B.E (MeV)	Γ (MeV)
PRC76, 045201 (2002)	T. Yamazaki and Y. Akaishi	48	61
arXiv:0512037v2[nucl-th]	A. N. Ivanov, P. Kienle, J. Marton, E. Widman	118	58
PRC76, 044004 (2007)	N. V. Shevchenko, A. Gal, J. Mares, J. Revai	50–70	~100
PRC76, 035203 (2007)	Y. Ikeda and T. Sato	60–95	45–80
NPA804, 197 (2008)	A. Dote, T. Hyodo, W. Weise	20 ± 3	40–70
PRC80, 045207 (2009)	S. Wycech and A. M. Green	56.5–78	39–60
PRL B712, 132–137 (2012)	Barnea et al.	15.7	41.2

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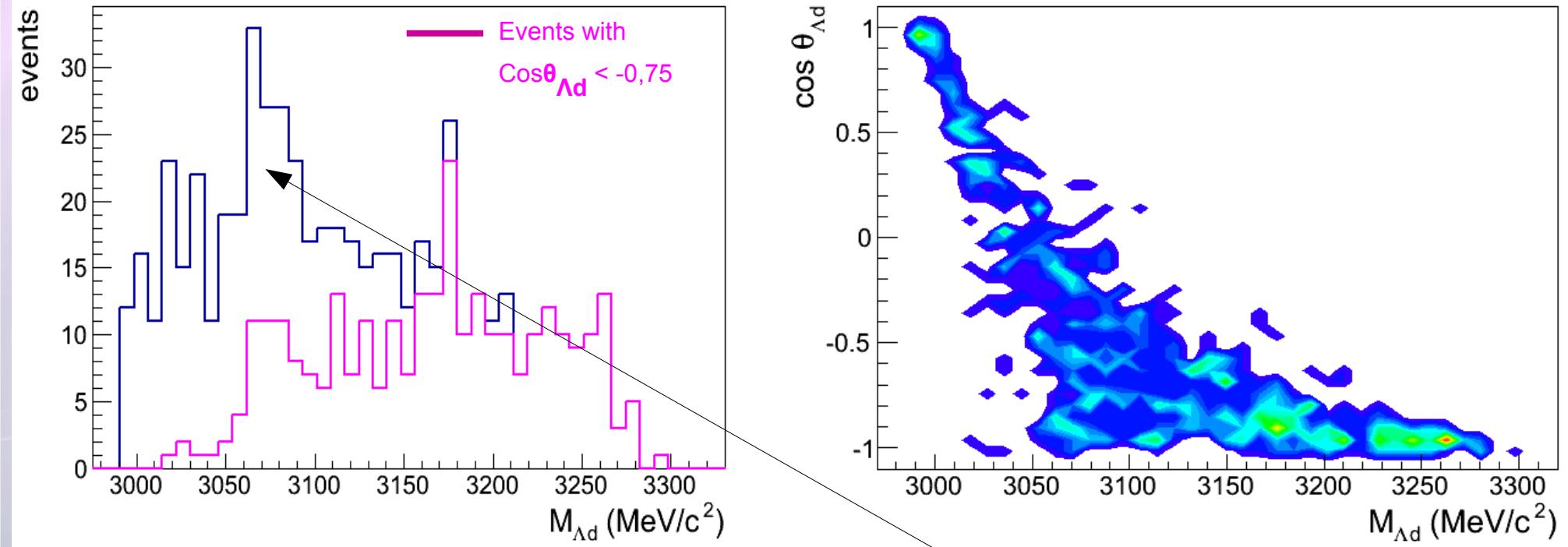
Λd search for a K-ppn cluster



- 572 Lambda-deuteron events in DC gas
- Structures at high Mass correlated with back-to-back events

K^-

Λd search for a K-ppn cluster



- Fit to be performed
- Possibility to extract information on the cusp effect

K^-

Λt correlation study

Available data:

- in Helium :

- bubble chamber experiment

- [M.Roosen, J.H. Wickens, *Il Nuovo Cimento* 66, (1981), 101]

- K^- stopped in liquid helium, $\Lambda dn/t$ search. **3 events** compatible with the Λt kinematics were found

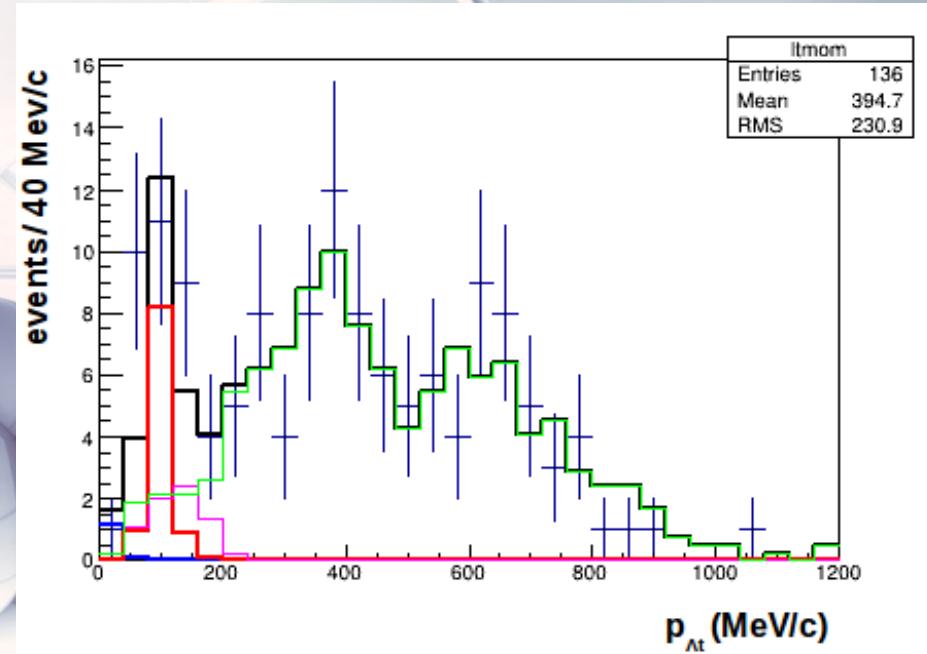
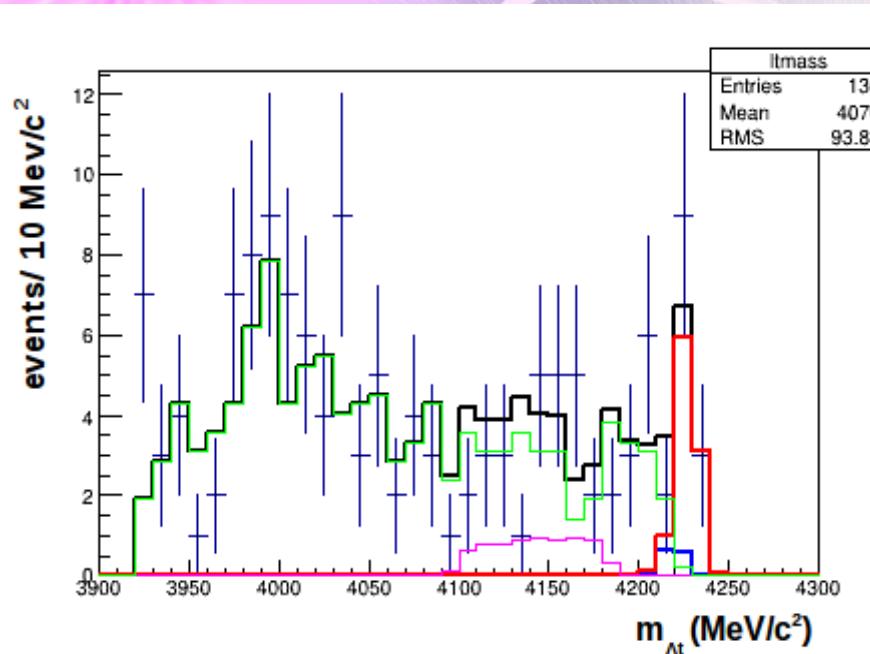
$$BR(K^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda t) = (3 \pm 2) \times 10^{-4} / K_{\text{stop}} \quad \text{global, no 4NA}$$

- Solid targets

- FINUDA [Phys.Lett. B669 (2008) 229]
(40 events in different solid targets)

At correlation studies in ${}^4\text{He}$: mass, momentum and angle simultaneous fit

K^-



+ data

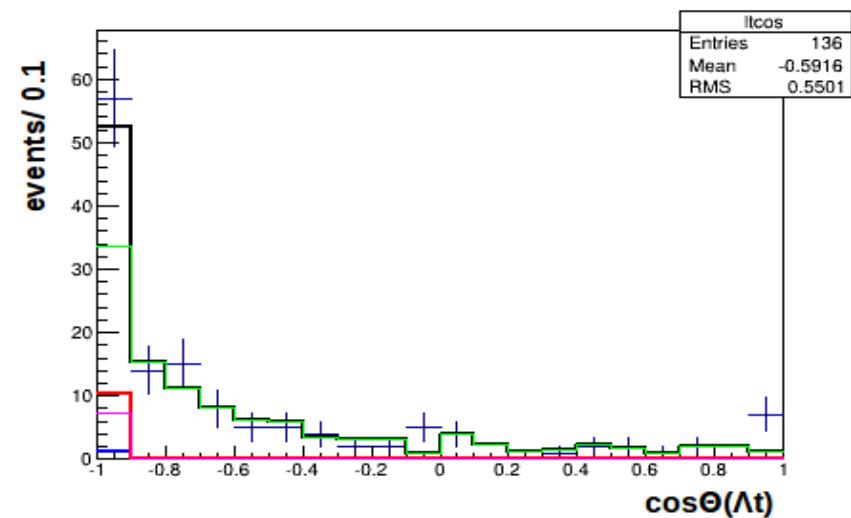
--- carbon data from DC wall

--- 4NA $\text{K}^- {}^4\text{He} \rightarrow \text{At}$ in flight MC

--- 4NA $\text{K}^- {}^4\text{He} \rightarrow \text{At}$ at rest MC

--- 4NA $\text{K}^- {}^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Sigma^0 t$, $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma$ MC

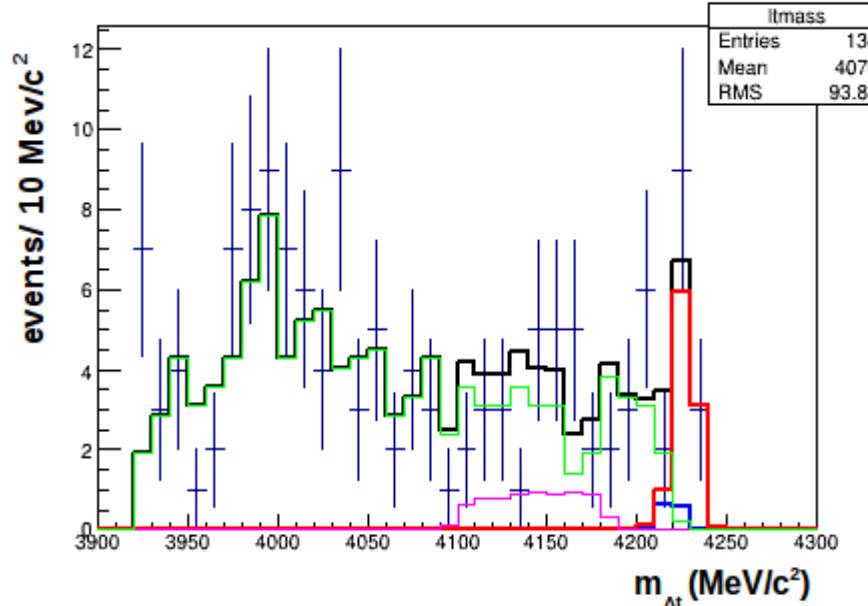
--- 4NA $\text{K}^- {}^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Sigma^0 t$, $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma$ MC



At correlation studies in ${}^4\text{He}$: preliminary mass and angle simultaneous fit

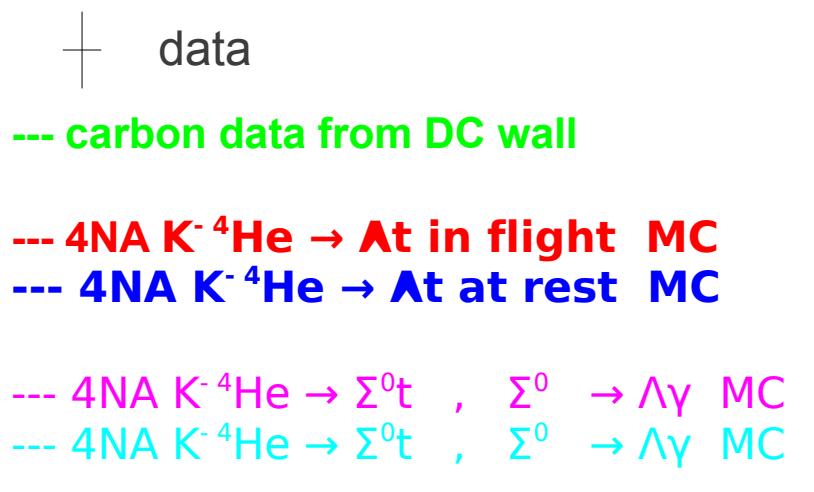
Preliminary

K^-



Contribution to the spectra	Parameter value
$K^- {}^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda t$ at rest	0.01 ± 0.01
$K^- {}^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda t$ in-flight	0.09 ± 0.02
$K^- {}^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Sigma^0 t$ in-flight	0.05 ± 0.03
$K^- {}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow \Lambda t$ experimental distribution from the carbon DC wall	0.85 ± 0.06
χ^2 / ndf	0.654

parameters giving the contribution of the each process



Total number of events = 136

4NA $K^- {}^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda t$ at rest $\rightarrow 1 \pm 1$ events

4NA $K^- {}^4\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda t$ in flight $\rightarrow 12 \pm 3$ events



$$\text{BR}(K^- {}^4\text{He}(4\text{NA}) \rightarrow \Lambda t) < 1.3 \times 10^{-4} / K_{\text{stop}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(100 \text{ MeV}/c) (K^- {}^4\text{He}(4\text{NA}) \rightarrow \Lambda t) = \\ = (0.42 \pm 0.13(\text{stat}))^{+0.01}_{-0.02} (\text{syst}) \text{ mb} \end{aligned}$$

Conclusions part 2

K⁻

$$\text{BR}(K^- \text{He}(4\text{NA}) \rightarrow \Lambda t) < 1.1 \times 10^{-4} / K_{\text{stop}}$$

4 NA cross section & 100MeV
measured for the first time

$$\sigma(100 \text{ MeV/c}) (K^- \text{He}(4\text{NA}) \rightarrow \Lambda t) = \\ (0.41 \pm 0.13 \text{ (stat)} +0.01 -0.02 \text{ (sys)}) \text{ mb}$$

Paper in preparation

K⁻

A stylized atomic model is centered against a background of radiating light rays. The model features three elliptical orbits represented by thick, translucent blue lines. At the intersection of these orbits is a central nucleus composed of three blue spheres. Superimposed on the text 'Thanks' within the nucleus is a small, glowing blue sphere containing a black smiley face. A fourth orbit, shown as a thin white line, intersects the blue orbits. In the upper left corner, the text 'K⁻' is displayed above a bright pink starburst.

Thanks