

# Measurement of the Polarization Observables $|s|$ and $|c|$ for $\vec{\gamma} p \rightarrow p \pi^+ \pi^-$ using the CLAS Spectrometer

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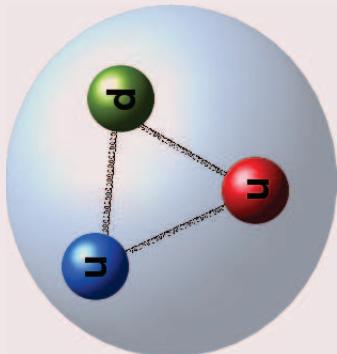
What is the big picture?

## Hadrons:

- Particles that are held together and interact via the strong force.
  - Exist as bound states of quarks.
  - Are the most fundamental of systems found in nature.
  - Members of this group are Baryons and Mesons.

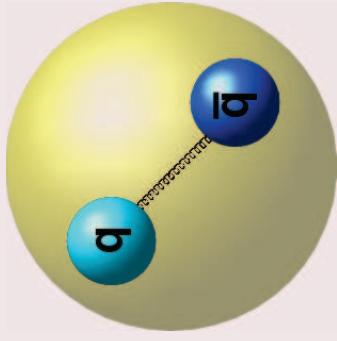
## Quark Structure:

- Baryon:  $qqq$



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- ## Meson: $q\bar{q}$



# Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)

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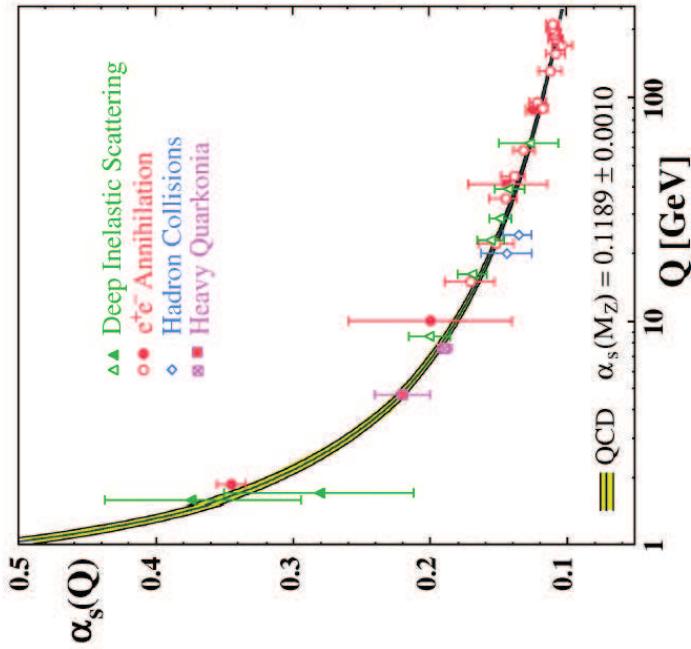
- Describes the strong force.
- Introduces a “color charge” analogous to the electric charge (**red**, **blue**, **green**).
- Gluons and quarks possess a color charge, antiparticles possess “anticolor”.
- All observed particles are “white” or colorless states.
- Interactions are mediated by gluons.
- Since gluons carry a color charge, they mediate AND participate in the interactions.



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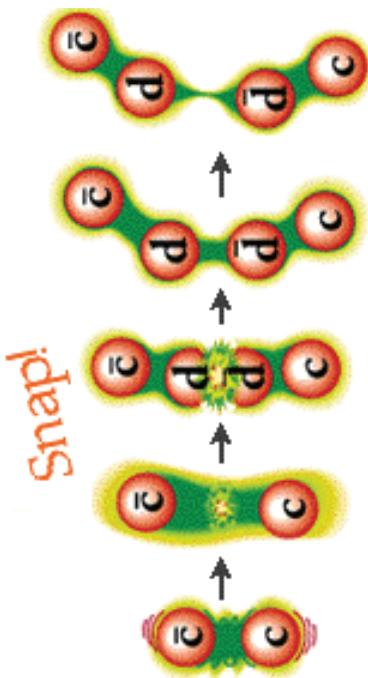
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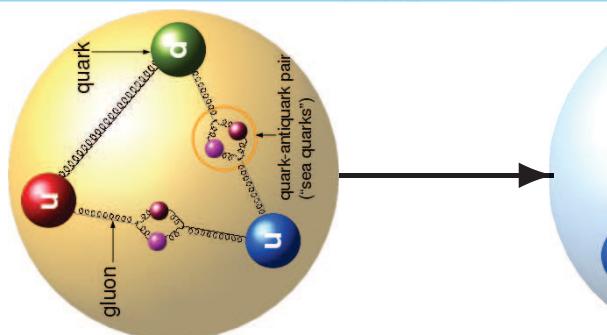
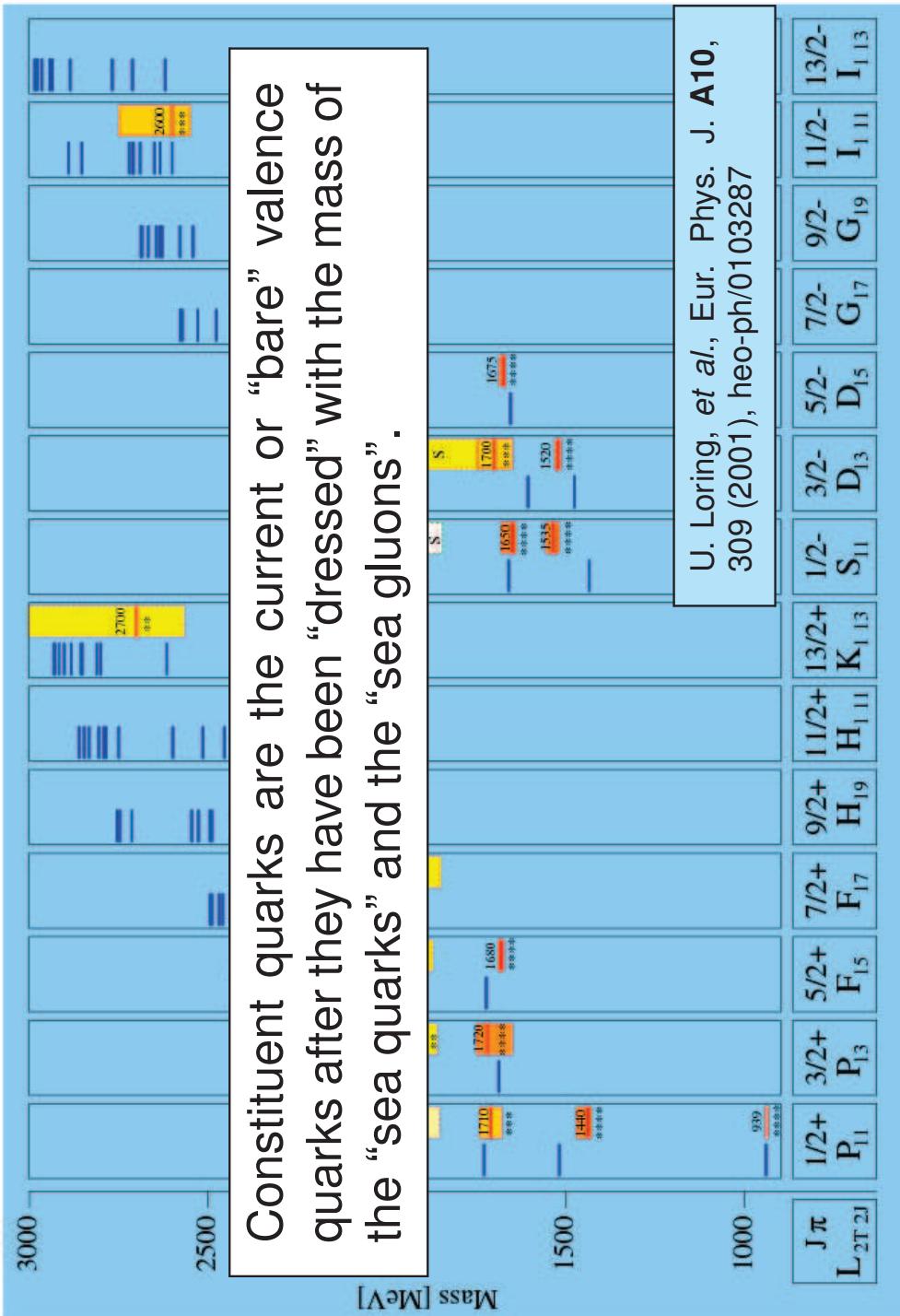
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- Confinement: The attractive force between quarks grows with the distance between them. This means that the quarks are confined to be in the hadron  $\rightarrow$  there are no free quarks (non-pQCD).



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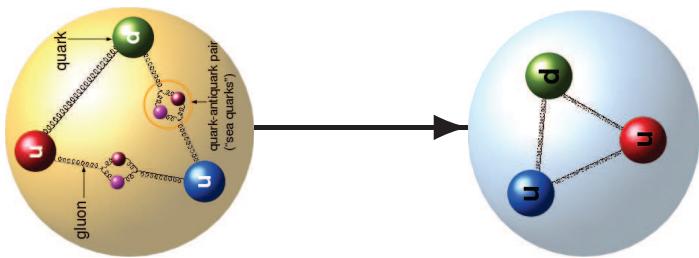
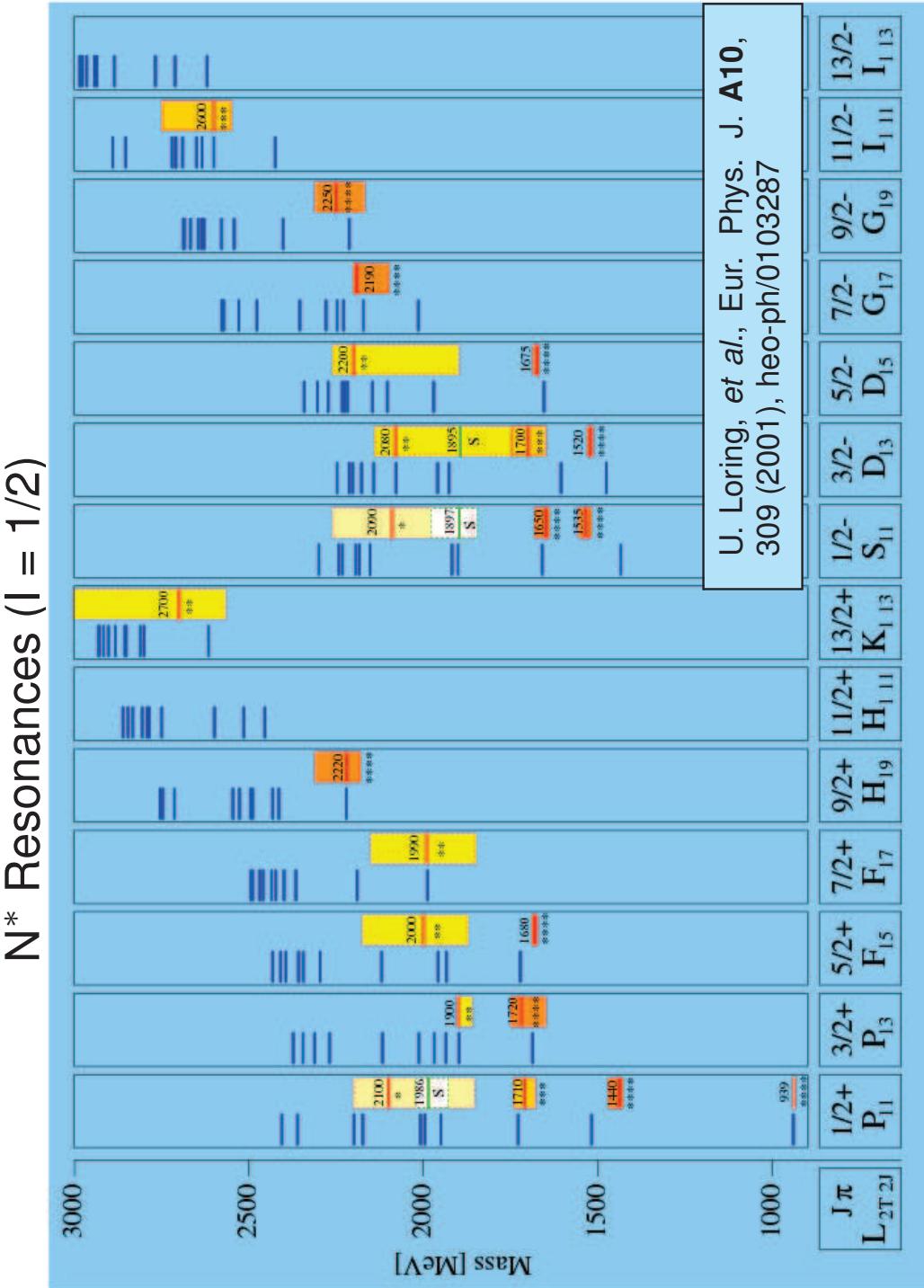
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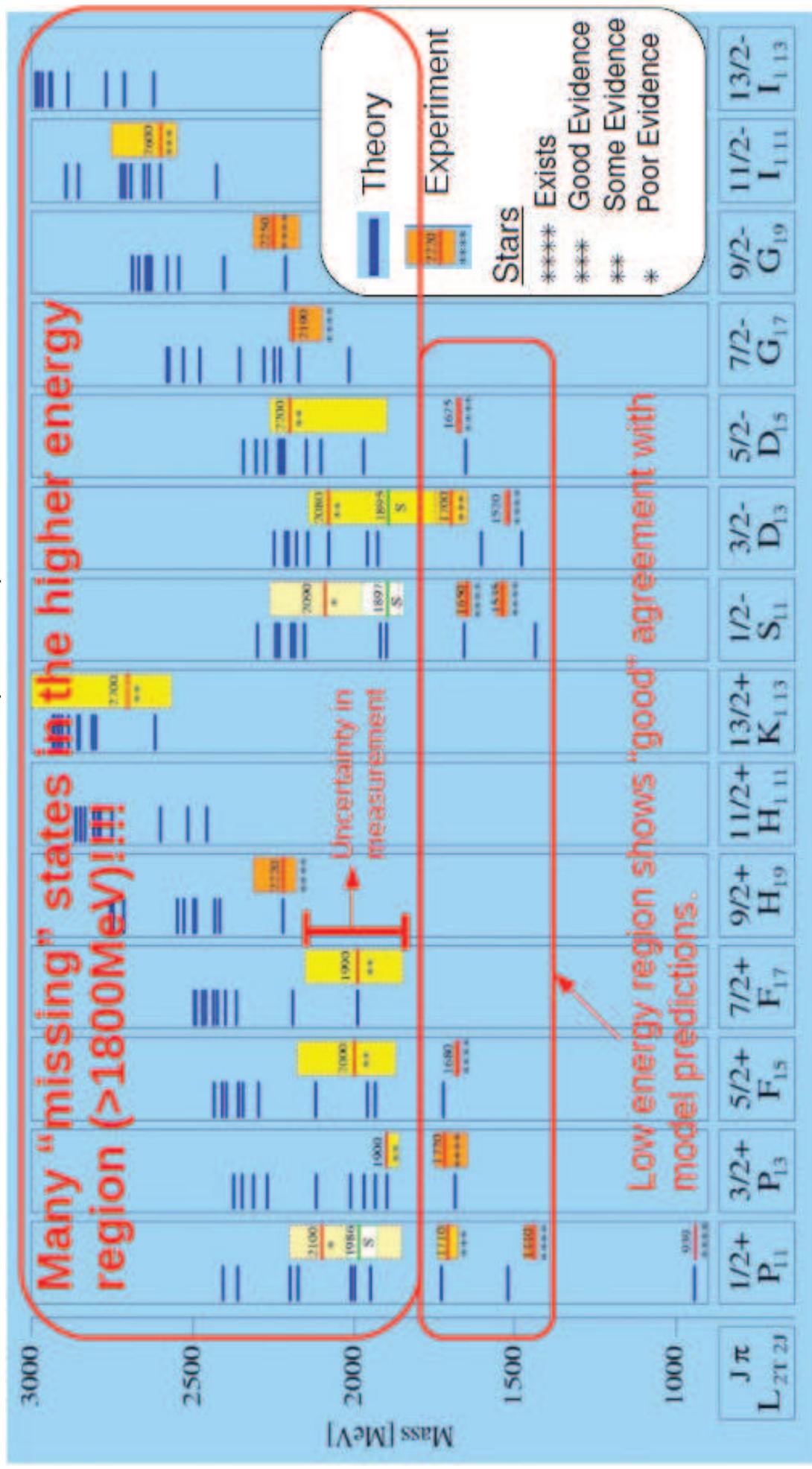
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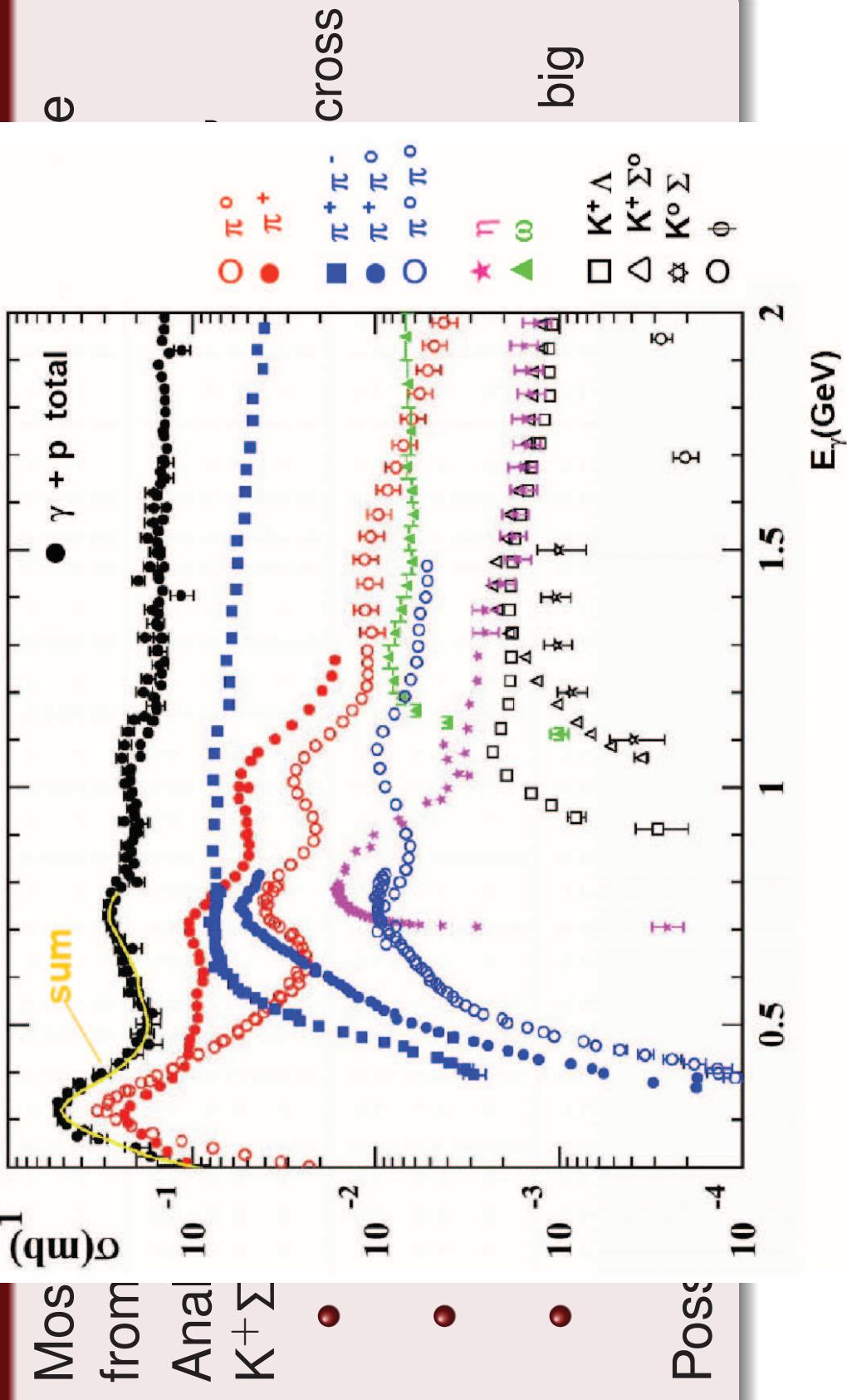
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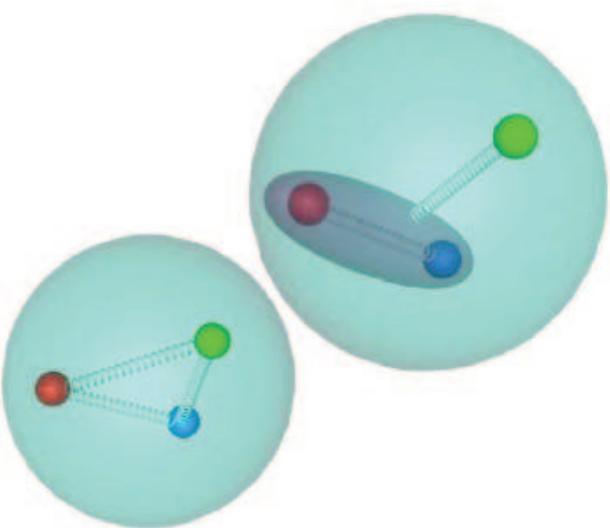
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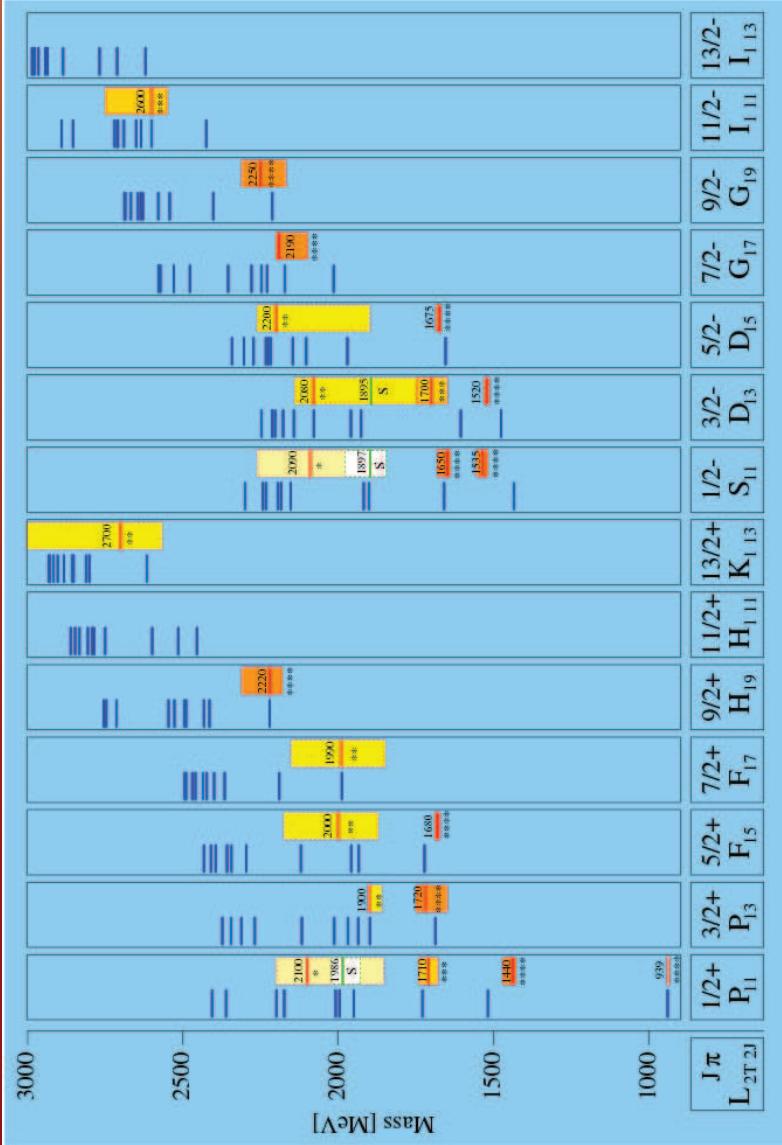
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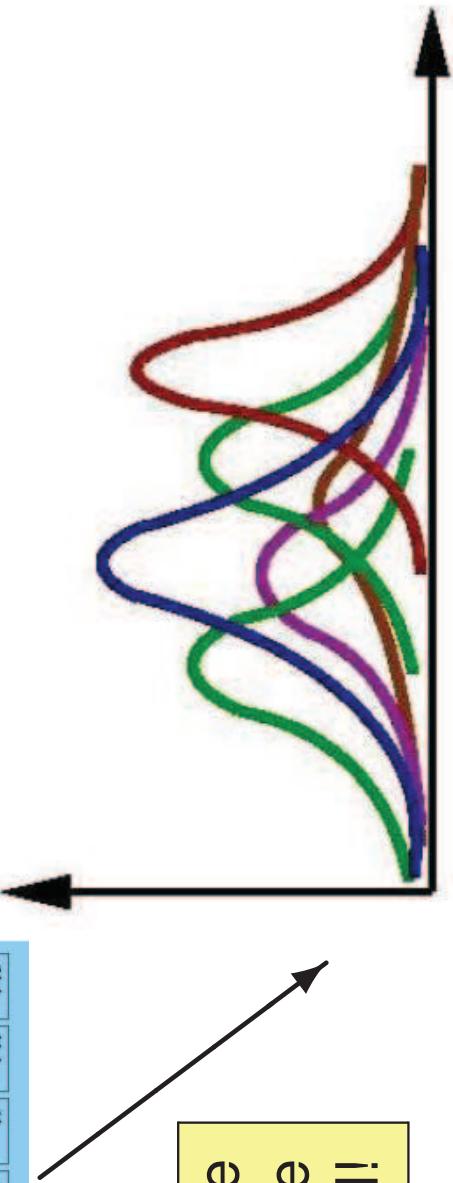


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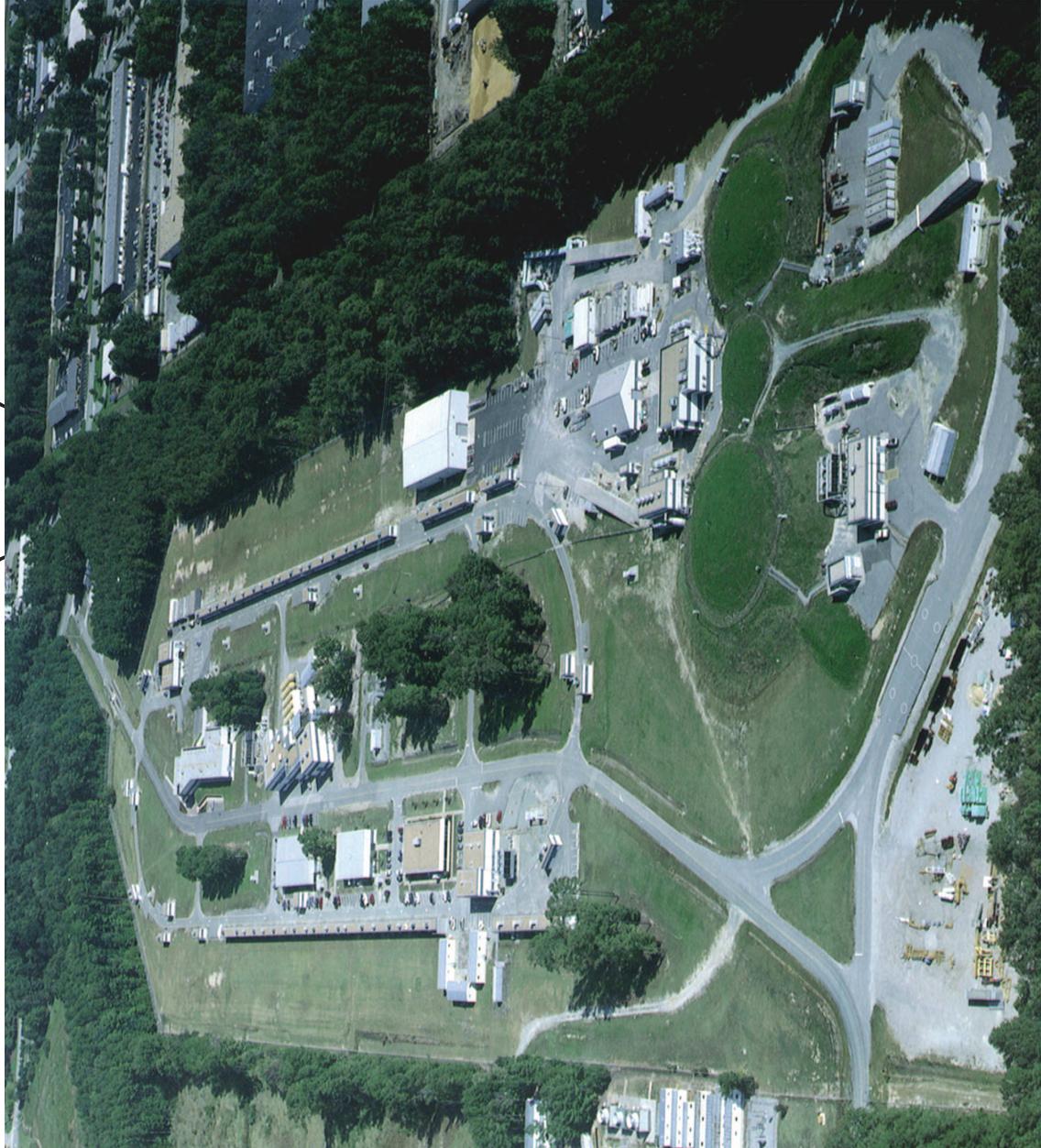
- Resonances are both broad and overlapping!
- Makes it very difficult to determine singular resonance contributions.

We need a way to disentangle these resonances and determine which resonances are produced!



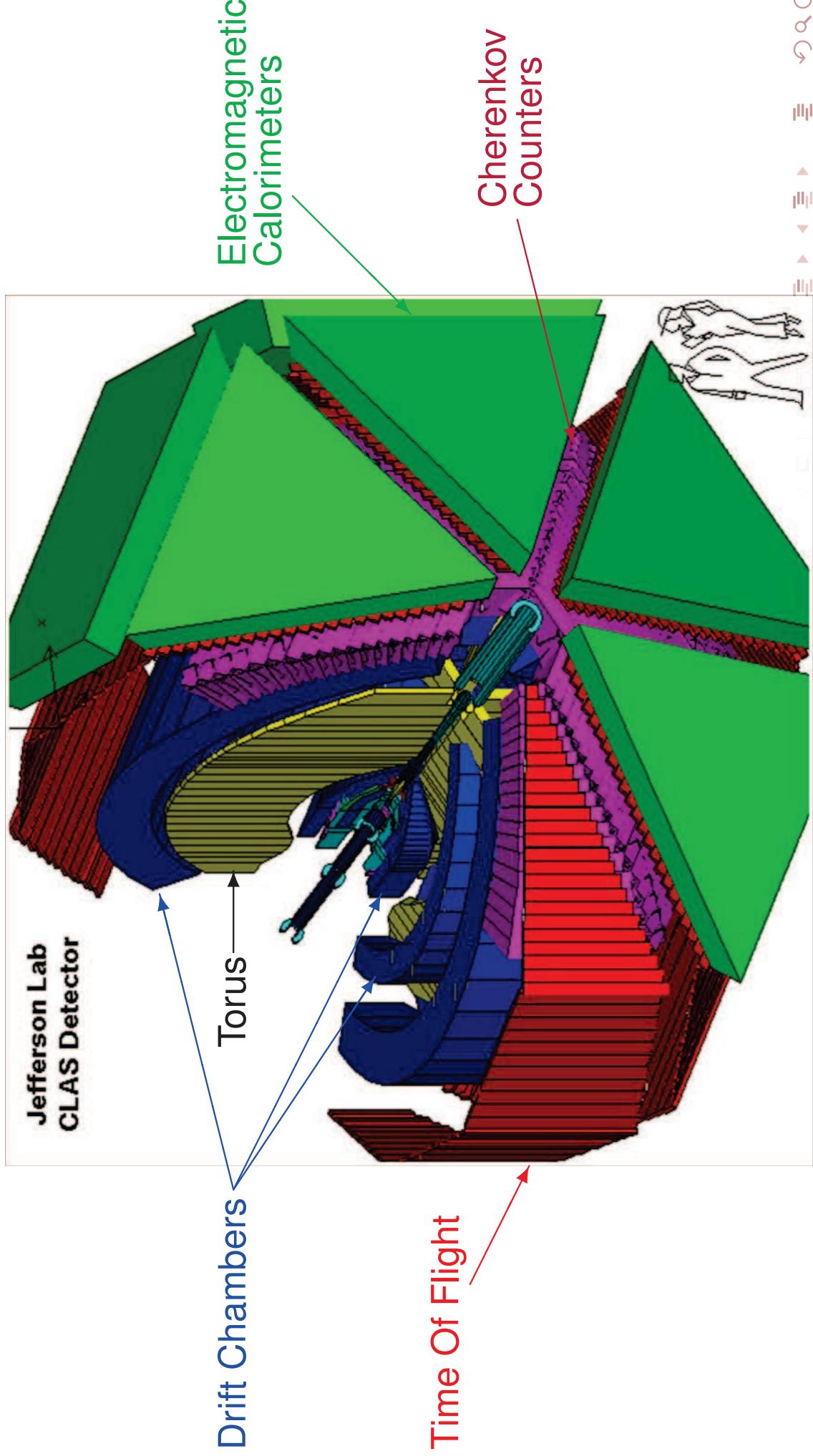
# The Facility

## THOMAS JEFFERSON NATIONAL ACCELERATOR FACILITY (JLAB)



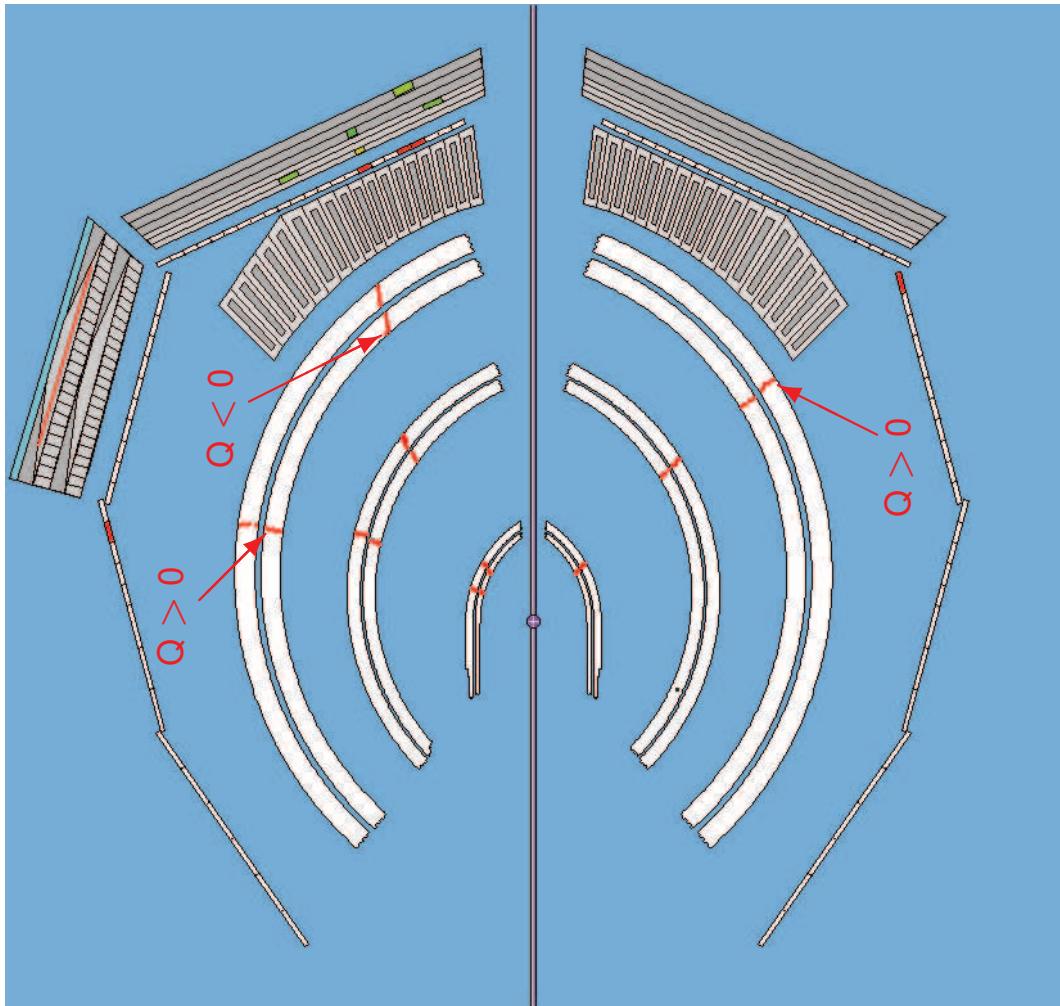
## Hall B: The CLAS Detector

## CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer



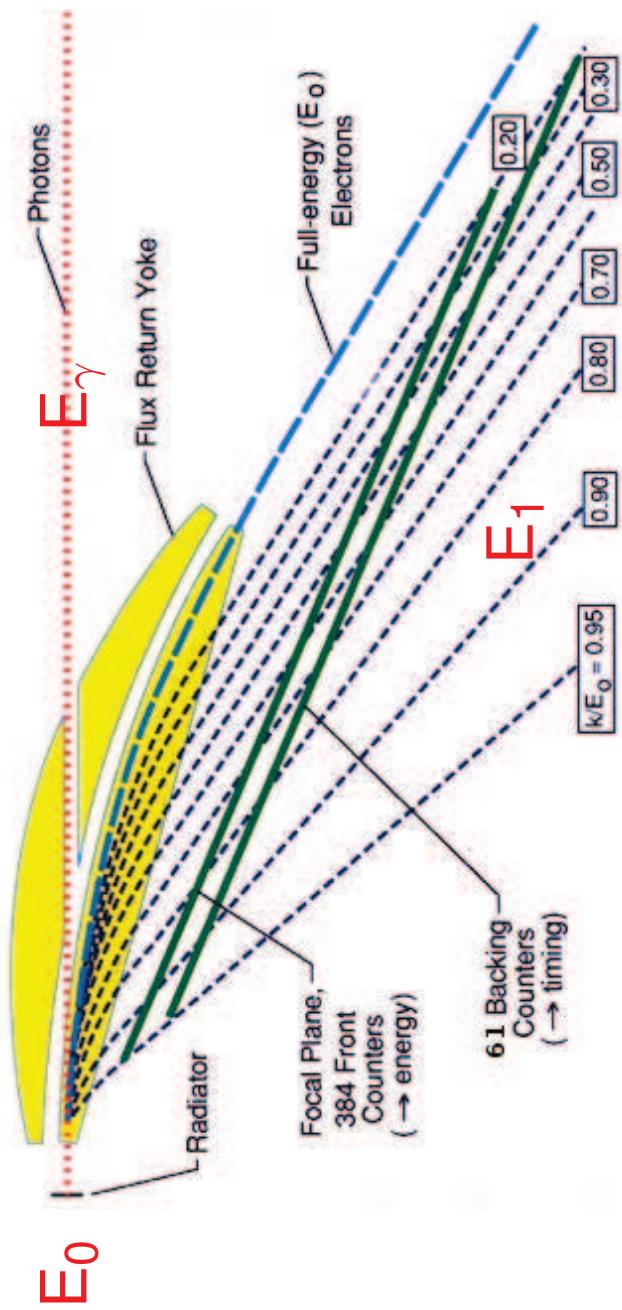
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- Magnetic field of Torus affects the particle's trajectory (bending it toward or away from the beamline).
- Particle's path through CLAS is tracked.
- If trigger requirements are met, event is recorded.
- Reconstruction code determines particle's trajectory through CLAS.
- Information regarding the incident particle and final state particles are determined.



## Hall B: Photon Tagger

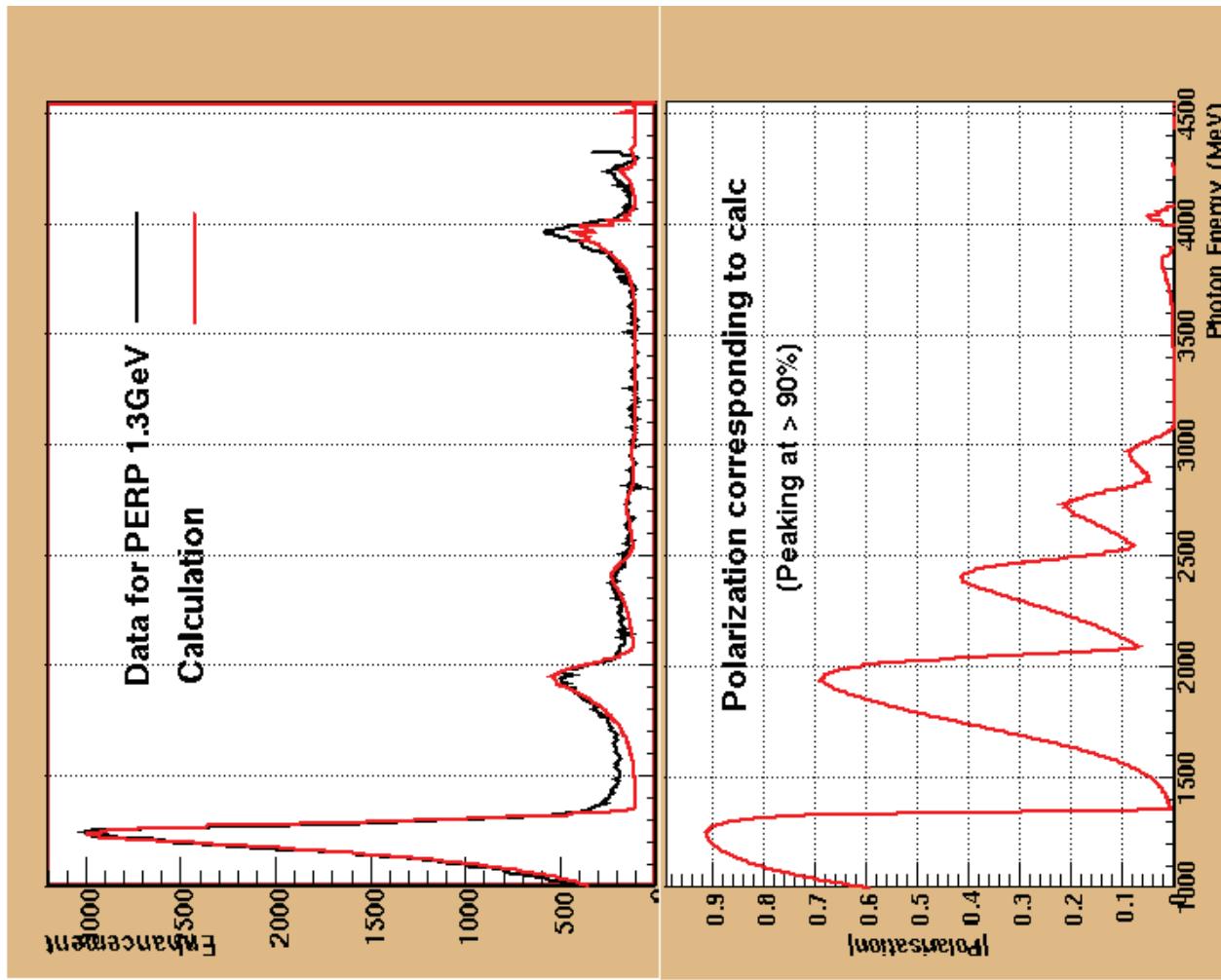
- Electrons from accelerator interact with the radiator, producing photons via bremsstrahlung.
- Electrons are bent into hodoscope via the Tagger Magnet.
- Time stamp and energy of electron is measured.
- Photon energy determined via  $E_\gamma = E_0 - E_1$
- Can tag photons with energies ranging from  $(0.2)E_0$  to  $(0.95)E_0$ .



# Polarized Photons

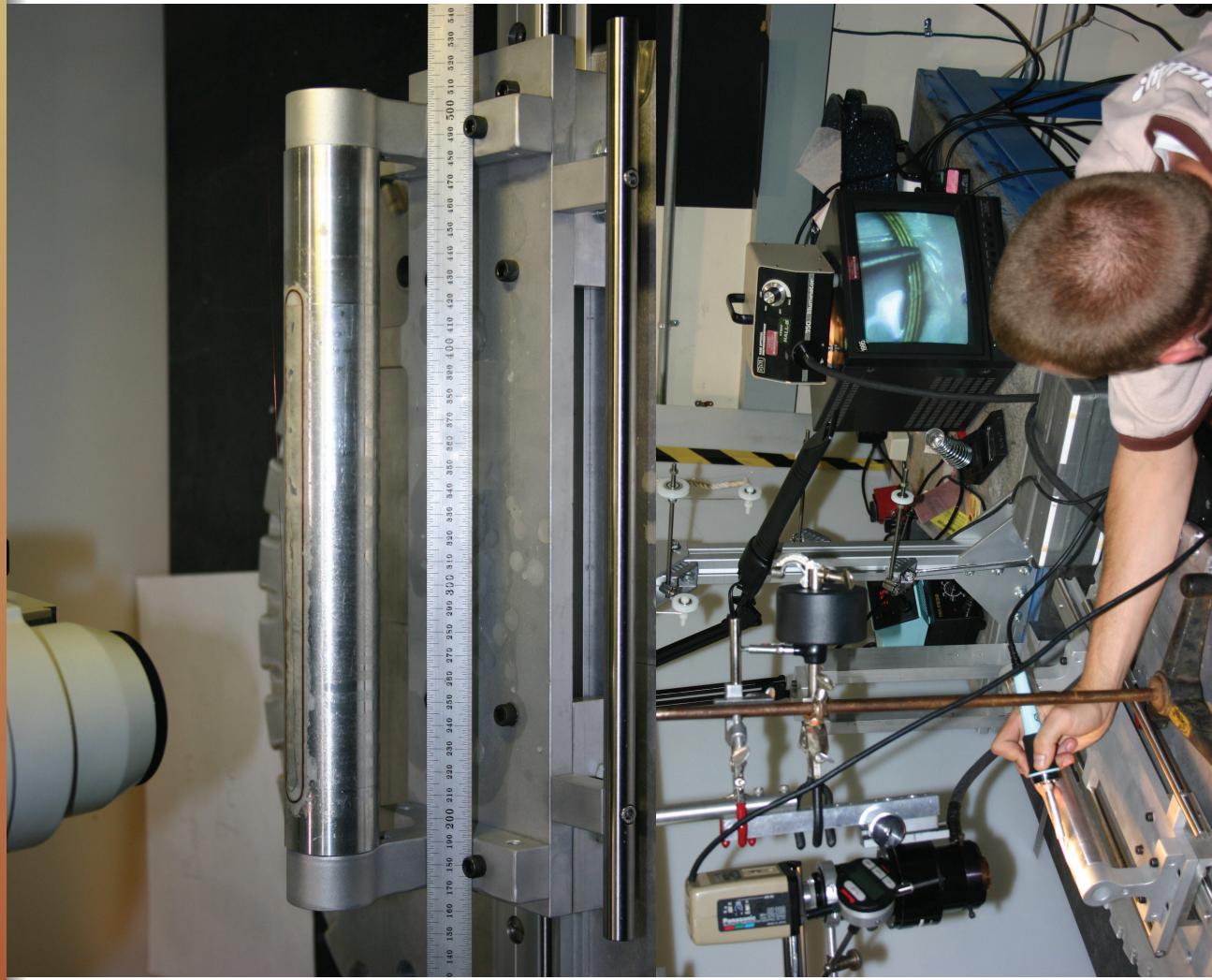
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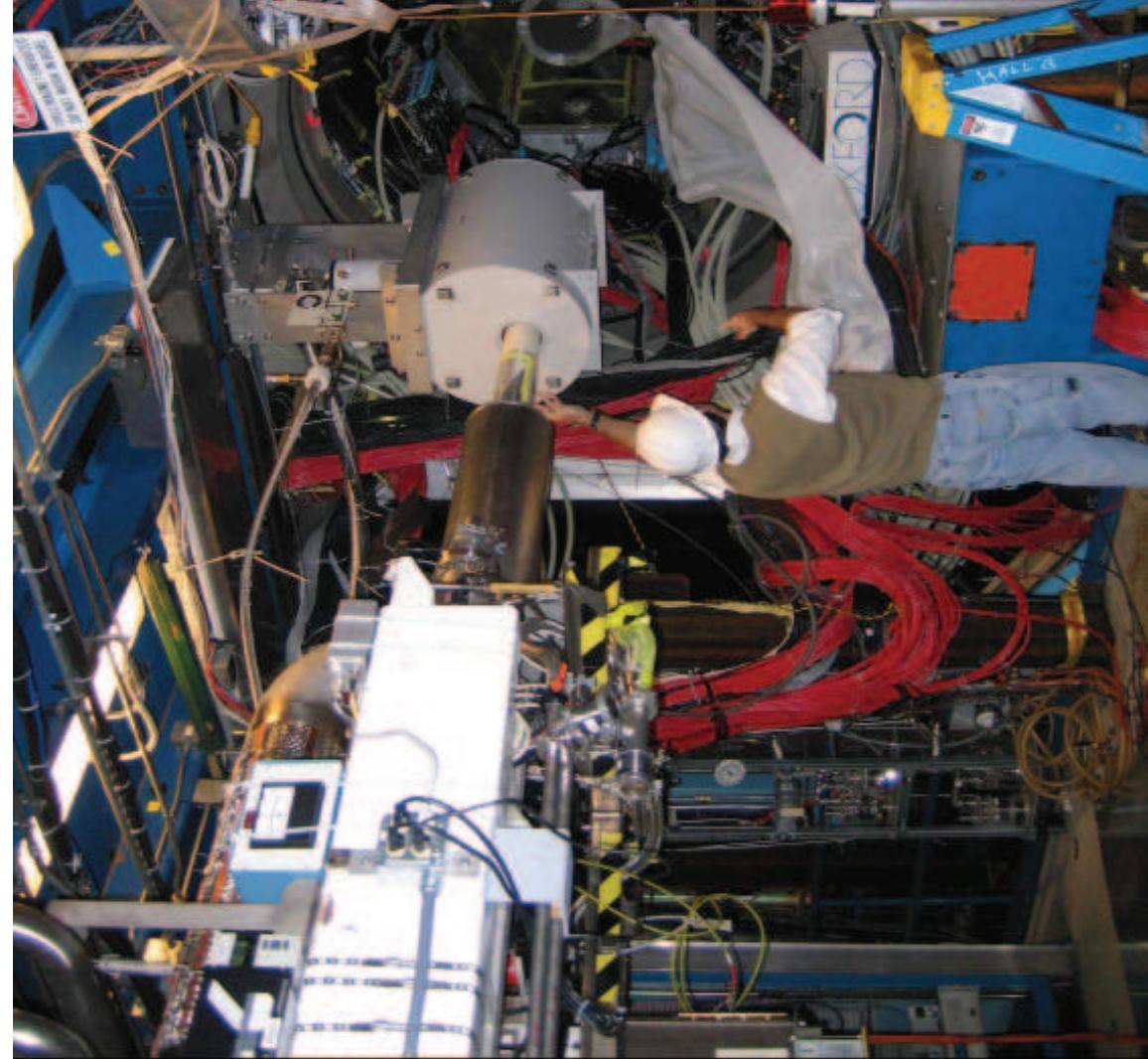
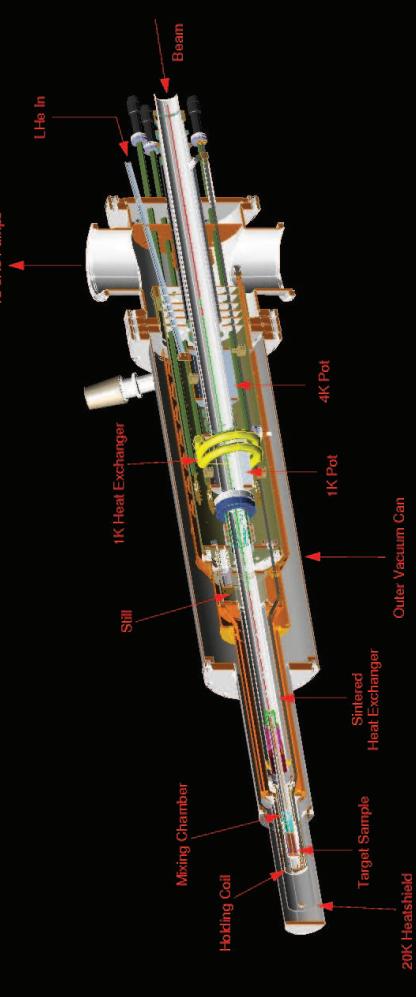


- Circularly polarized beam:
  - longitudinal electron beam + amorphous radiator
- Linearly polarized beam:
  - unpolarized electron beam + oriented diamond radiator
    - Can obtain 90% polarization
- $g8b \rightarrow$  highly polarized photons at five energies:
  - 1.3 GeV, 1.5 GeV, 1.7 GeV, 1.9 GeV and 2.1 GeV.

## FROST: Transverse Holding Coil

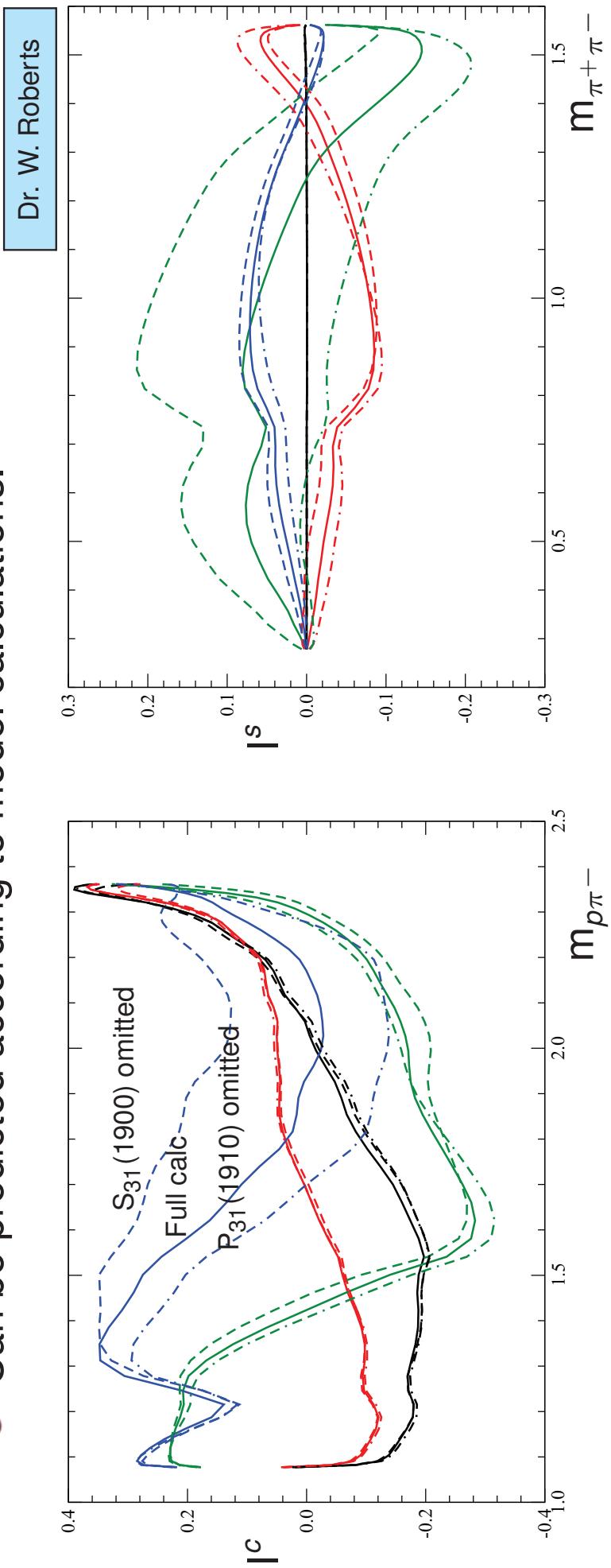


# FROST: Target Assembly, Testing, Installation



# Polarization Observables

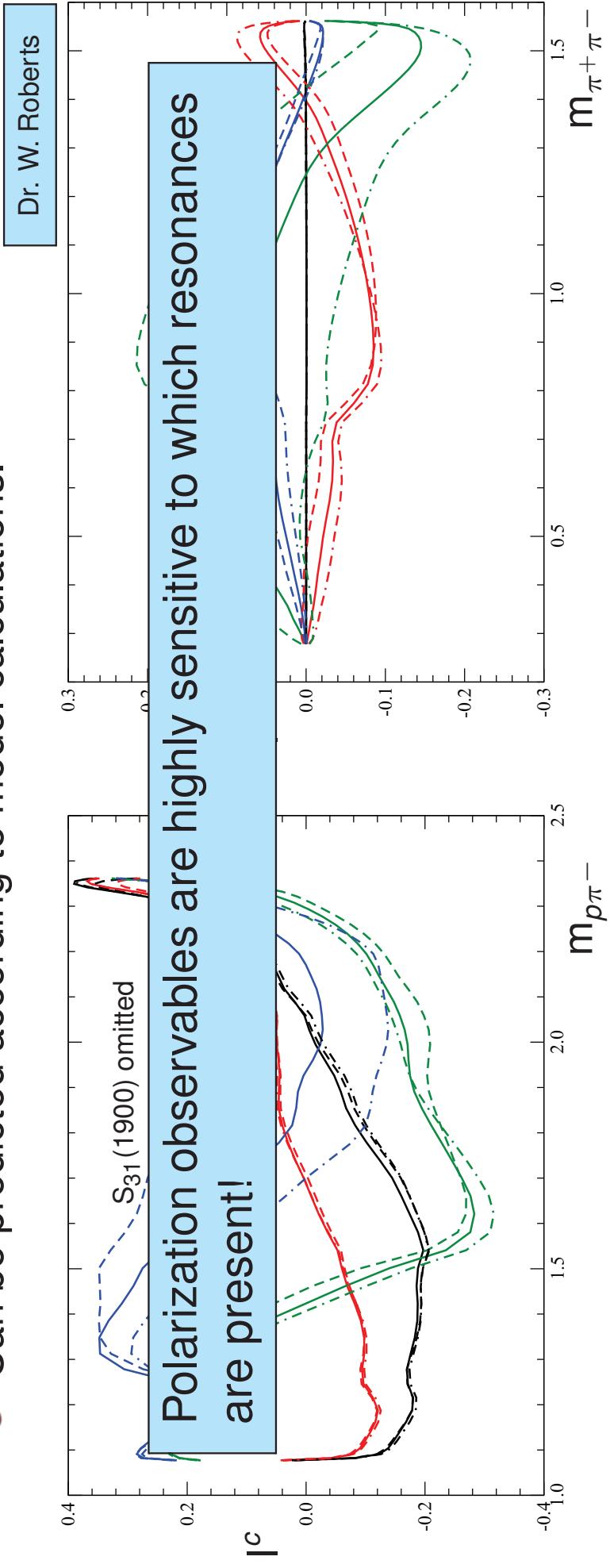
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## Polarization Observables: Single Meson Final State

- The final state equation relates the differential cross section,  $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$ , to the polarization observables.
- For a final state with one meson, there are a total of 7 observables.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \sigma_0 \{ & 1 - \delta_I \Sigma \cos(2\phi) \\ & + \Lambda_x (-\delta_I \mathbf{H} \sin(2\phi) + \delta_{I\odot} \mathbf{F}) \\ & - \Lambda_y (-\mathbf{T} + \delta_I \mathbf{P} \cos(2\phi)) \\ & - \Lambda_z (-\delta_I \mathbf{G} \sin(2\phi) + \delta_{I\odot} \mathbf{E}) \} \end{aligned}$$

### Definitions

- $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$  = differential cross section
- $\sigma_0$  = unpolarized cross section
- $\delta_{I,\odot}$  = degree and orientation of photon beam polarization
- $\Lambda_{x,y,z}$  = direction and degree of polarization of the target
- $\Sigma, \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{T}, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{E}$  = polarization observables.



# Polarization Observables: Double Meson Final State

- For a final state with two mesons, there are a total of 15 observables!

$$I = I_0 \{ (1 + \vec{\Lambda}_i \cdot \vec{P}) + \delta_{\odot} (\mathbf{I}^{\odot} + \vec{\Lambda}_i \cdot \vec{\mathbf{P}}^{\odot}) \\ + \delta_I [\sin(2\beta) (\mathbf{I}^{\mathbf{s}} + \vec{\Lambda}_i \cdot \vec{\mathbf{P}}^{\mathbf{s}}) \\ + \cos(2\beta) (\mathbf{I}^{\mathbf{c}} + \vec{\Lambda}_i \cdot \vec{\mathbf{P}}^{\mathbf{c}})] \}$$

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- $\vec{P}$  = observable arising from the use of a polarized target
- $\mathbf{I}^{\odot,s,c}$  = observables arising from the use of polarized photons
- $\beta$  = orientation of polarization w.r.t. a final state particle  
( $\beta = \phi_{lab} + \phi_{polarization}$ )



## Reducing the final state equation

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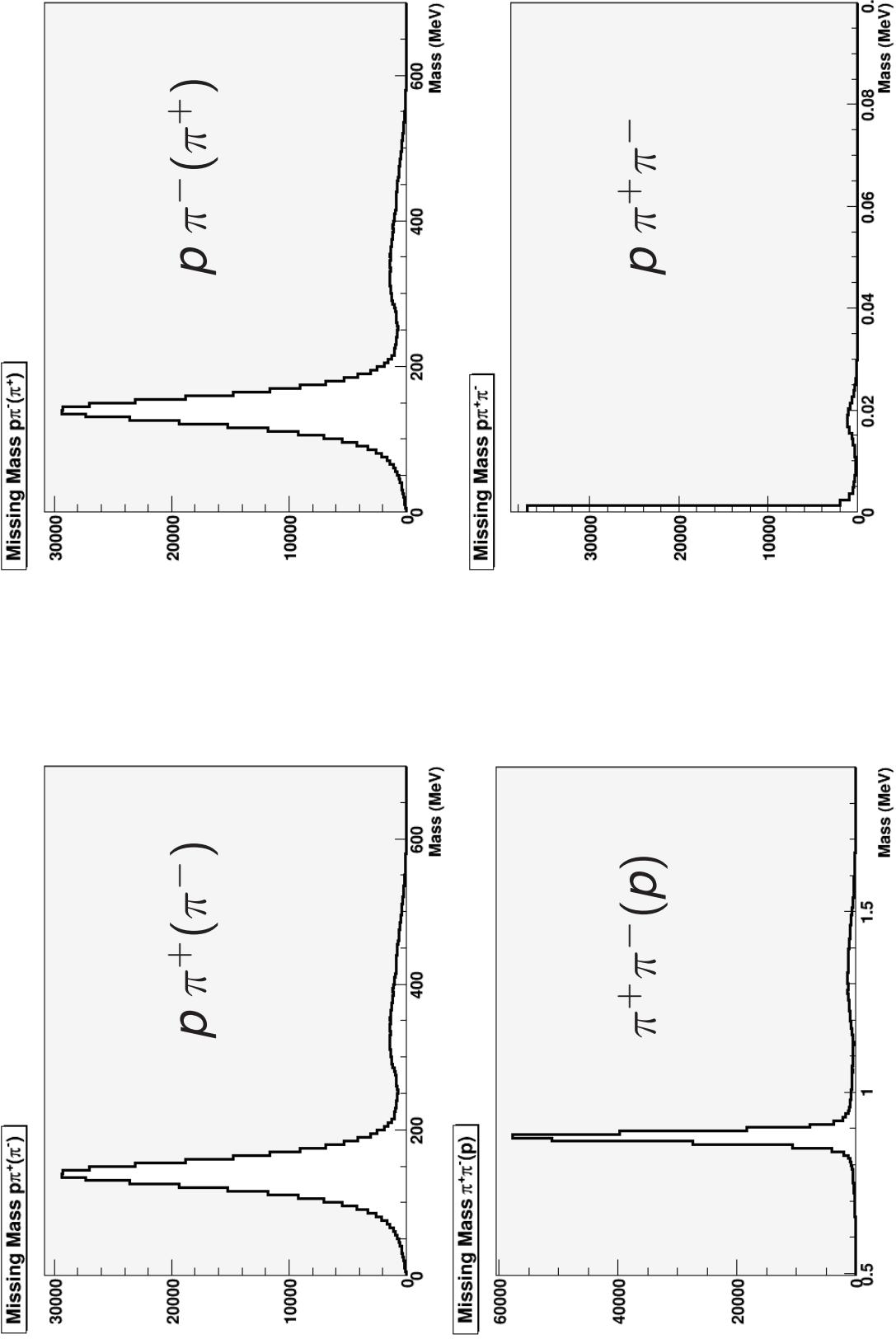
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- $|s\rangle$
  - $|c\rangle$  ( $\Sigma$  in the single-meson final state equation)
  - Measuring both for  $\vec{\gamma}p \rightarrow \rho \pi^+ \pi^-$

## Analysis of $\vec{\gamma}\rho \rightarrow \rho \pi^+ \pi^-$

- While  $\vec{\gamma}\rho \rightarrow \rho \pi^+ \pi^-$  is studied, a total of four topologies are kinematically fitted.



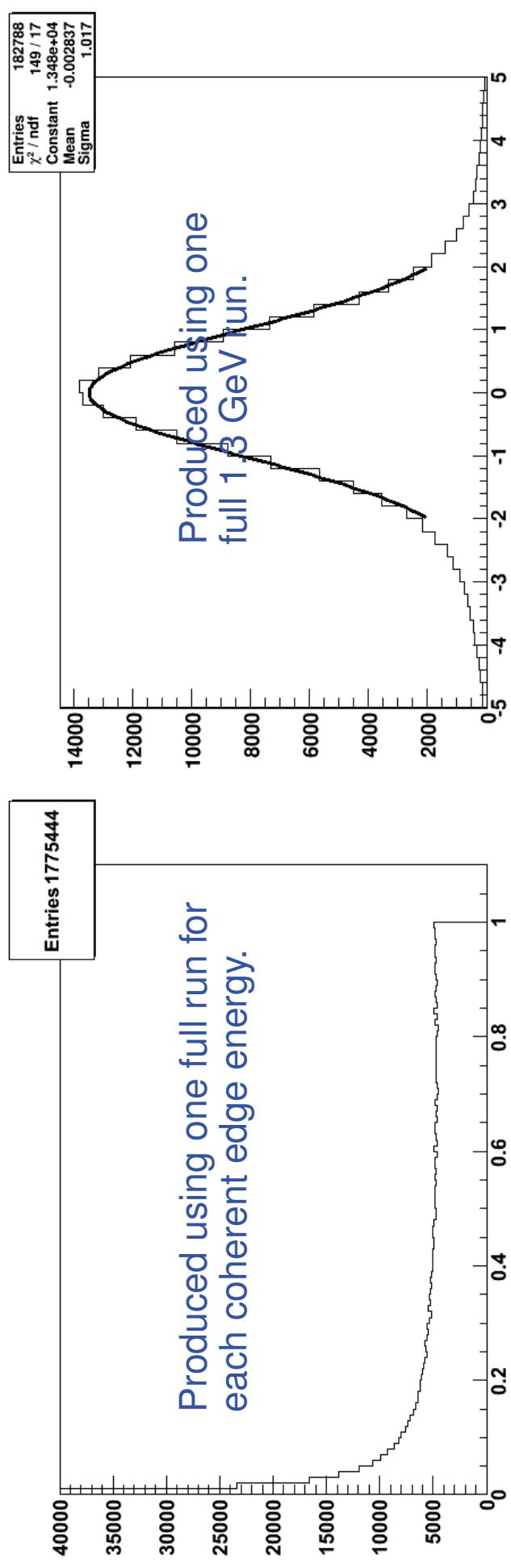
## Kinematic Fitting

- Enforces energy-momentum conservation.
- Varies final state measurements (4-vectors) within resolution limits (errors) of said measurements.
  - Errors (as calculated by the reconstruction code) are extracted from data and used to build the tracking covariance matrix (event by event).
  - Errors are then scaled to actual run-dependent resolutions to make the full covariance matrix.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{E_\gamma}^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & C_1^{pp} & C_1^{p\lambda} & C_1^{p\phi} & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & C_1^{p\lambda} & C_1^{\lambda\lambda} & C_1^{\lambda\phi} & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & C_1^{p\phi} & C_1^{\lambda\phi} & C_1^{\phi\phi} & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & C_K^{pp} & C_K^{p\lambda} & C_K^{p\phi} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & C_K^{p\lambda} & C_K^{\lambda\lambda} & C_K^{\lambda\phi} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & C_K^{p\phi} & C_K^{\lambda\phi} & C_K^{\phi\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Kinematic Fitting

- Quality of the fit is judged by examining the confidence level and pull distributions.
- Every diagonal element of the covariance matrix has a pull value associated with it.
- Systematics affect pull means ( $\mu$ 's), errors contained in the covariance matrix affect pull widths ( $\sigma$ 's) and the slope of confidence level plots.



# Momentum Corrections and Tagger Sag

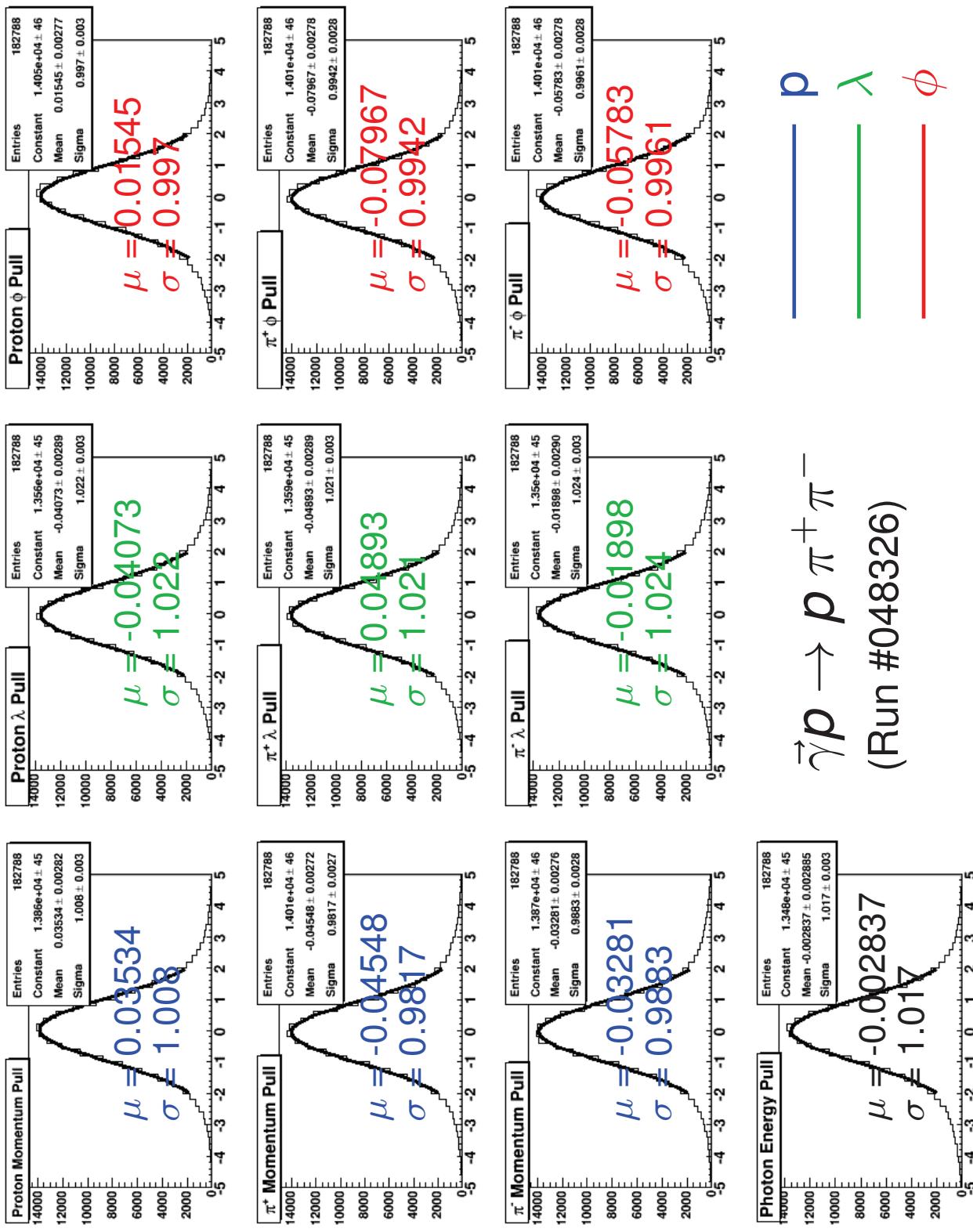
## • Momentum Corrections:

- Kinematic fitter is highly sensitive to systematic effects → good tool for determining momentum corrections.
- Corrections are needed to account for variations in torus  $\vec{B}$  field and misalignments of Drift Chambers.
- Determined by examining momentum pull distributions for the proton for  $\vec{\gamma}\rho \rightarrow \rho\pi^+\pi^-$  fits/events.
- Correction factor and pulls binning:
  - 7 bins in  $\theta_{lab}$  ( $10^\circ \leq \theta_{lab} \leq 70^\circ$ ), 18 bins in  $\phi_{lab}$
  - 6 bins in momentum ( $0.2 \text{ GeV} \leq |\vec{\rho}| \leq 1.7 \text{ GeV}$ )

## • Tagger Sag

- Occurs due to a physical sagging of the support structure for Tagger Hodoscope.
- Affects the determination of photon energy.
- Has been seen in several runs in Hall B.
- Requires energy-dependent correction
  - M. Dugger, C. Hanretty, CLAS-Note 2009-030

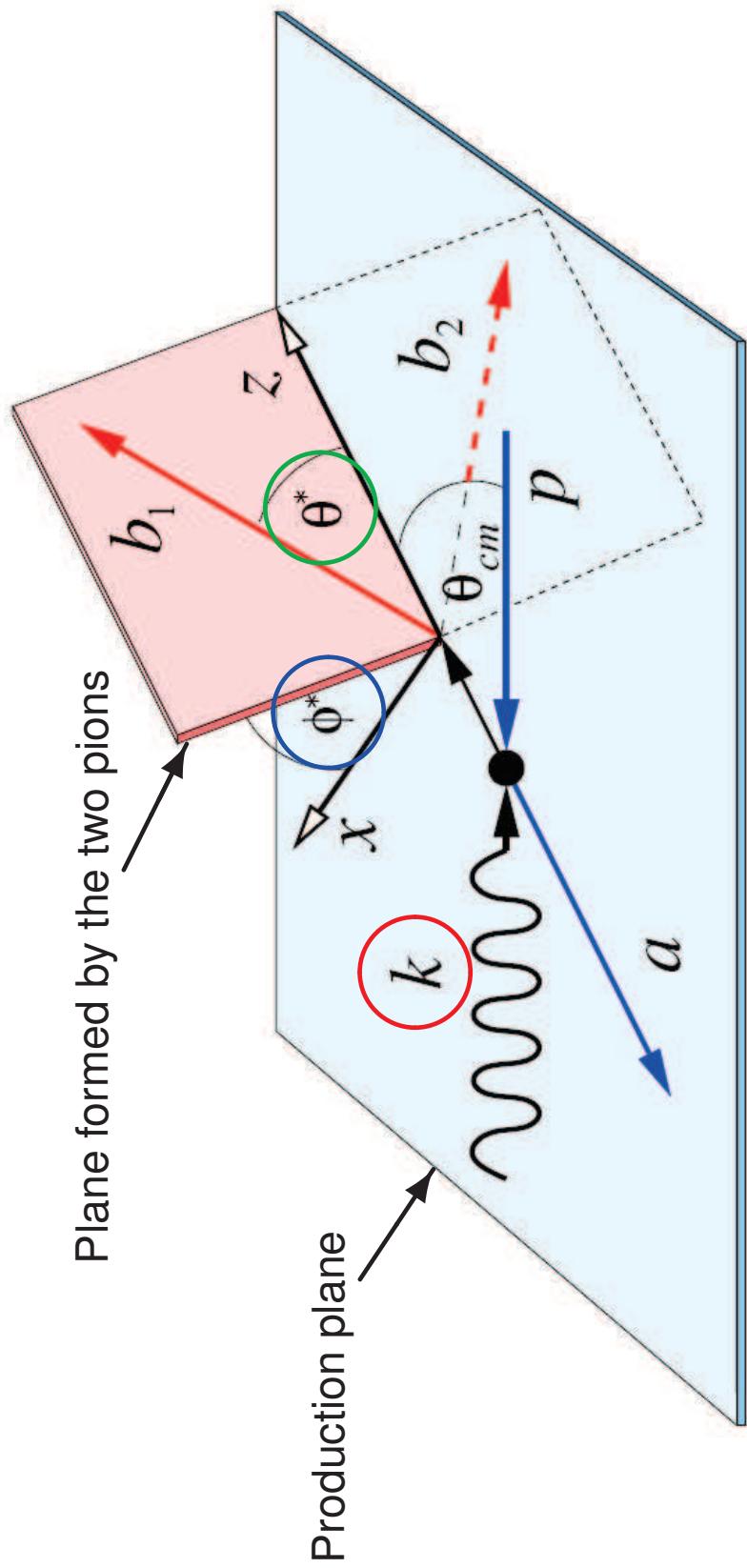
# Check the pull distributions



$\vec{\gamma} p \rightarrow p \pi^+ \pi^-$   
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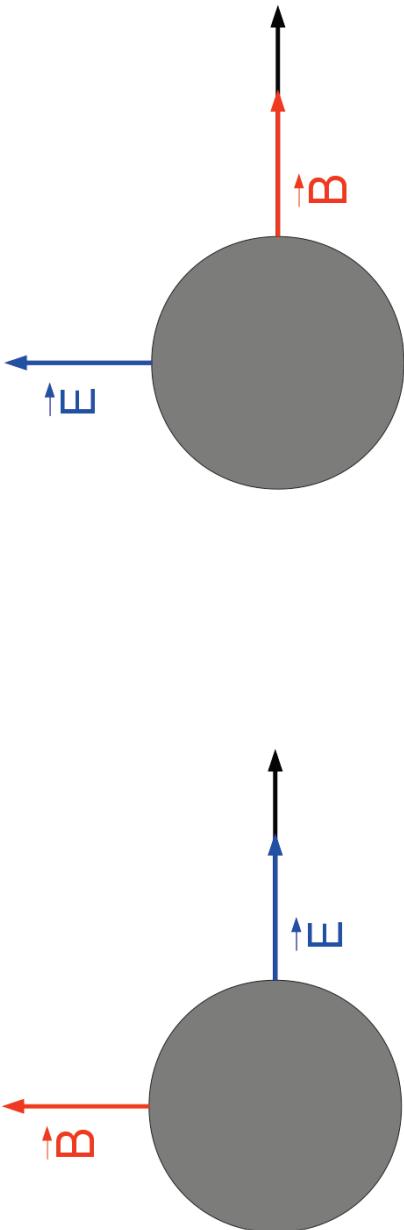
## Kinematics

- The analysis of the (double-meson)  $\vec{\gamma}p \rightarrow \rho \pi^+ \pi^-$  channel requires the use of 5 independent kinematic variables: ( $m_{\rho\pi}$  or  $m_{\pi\pi}$ ),  $\cos\theta_p^{CM}$ ,  $\textcolor{red}{K}$ ,  $\cos\theta_{\pi^+}^*$ ,  $\phi_{\pi^+}^*$ .





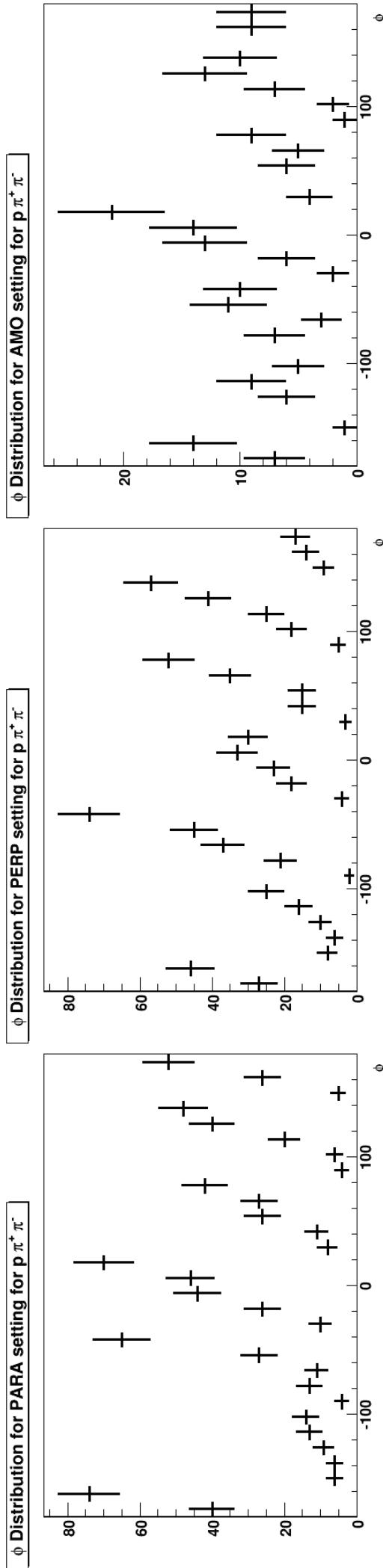
**PARA**      **PERP**



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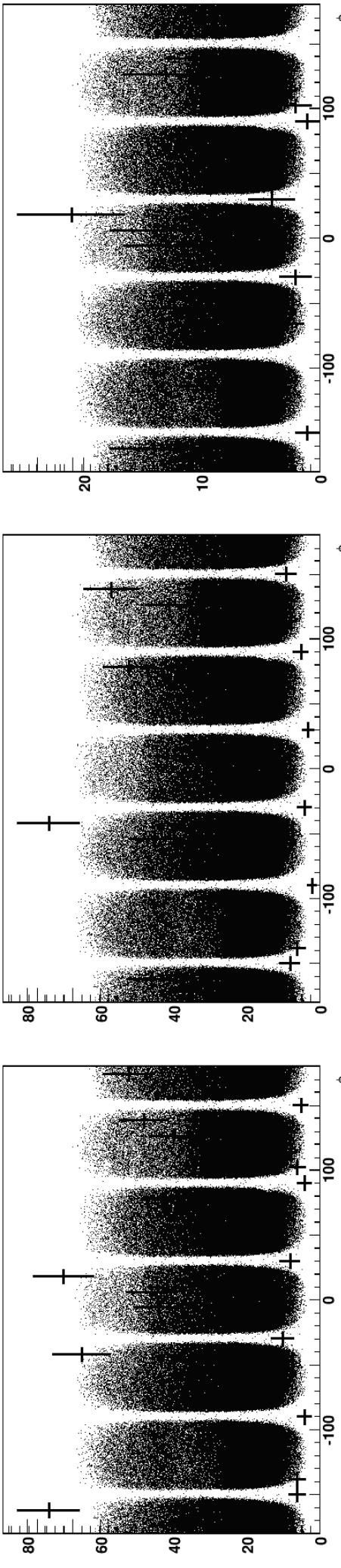
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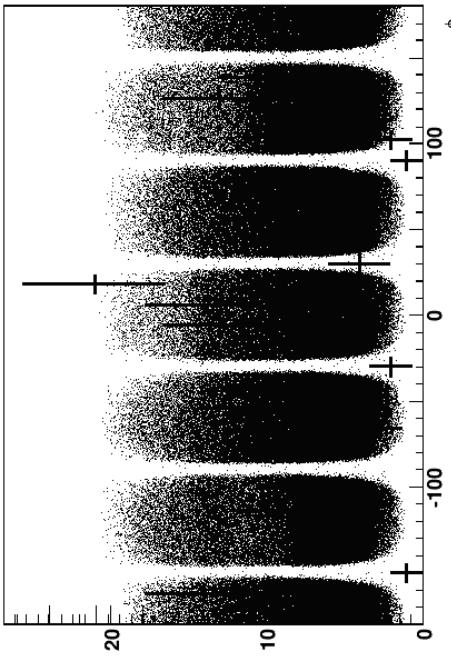
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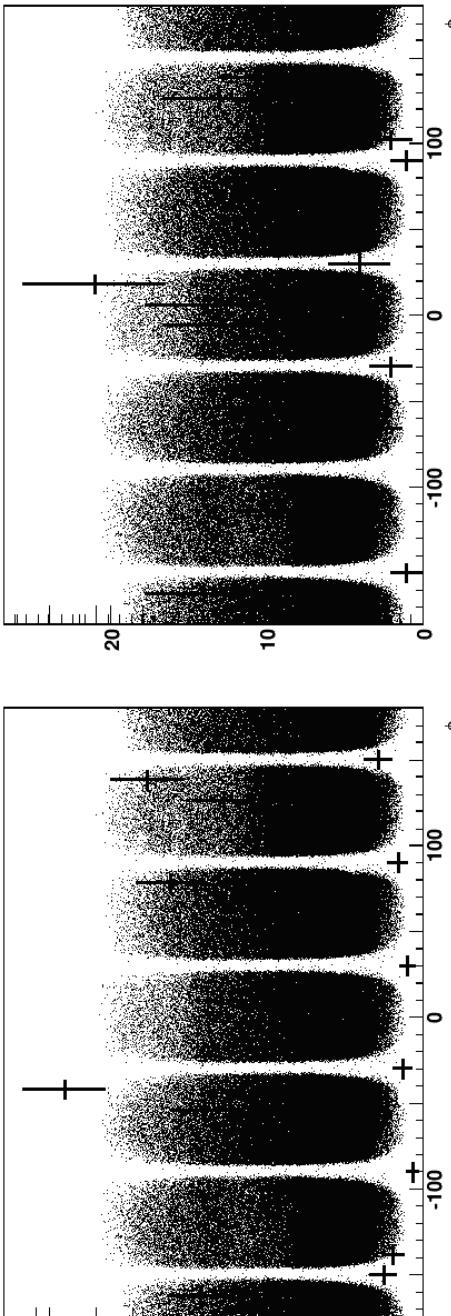
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$\phi$  Distribution for AMO setting for  $p\pi^+\pi^-$



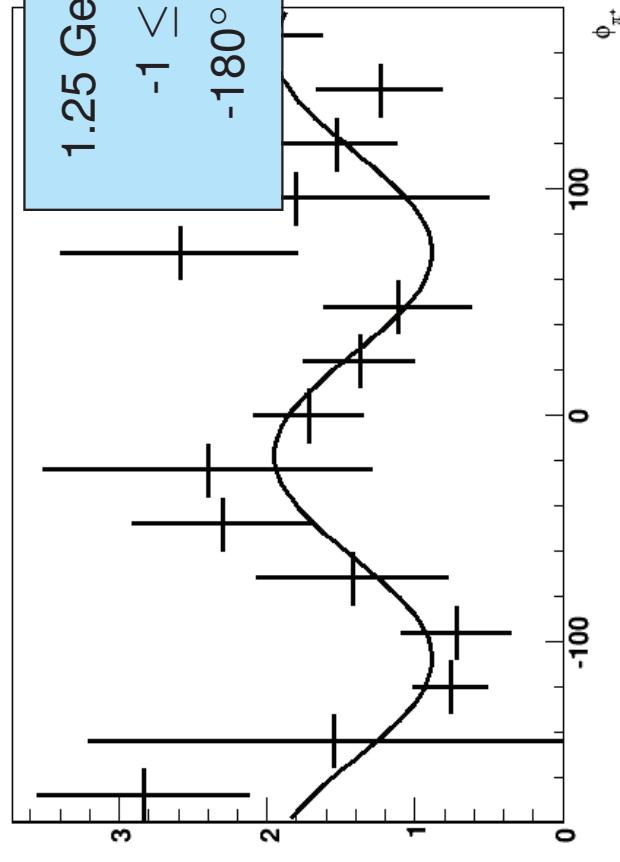
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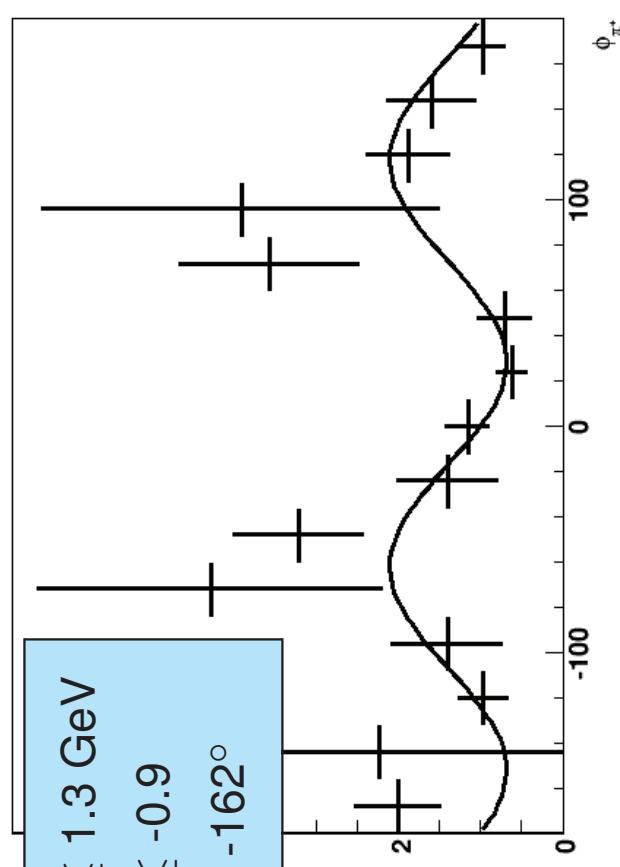
## Extracting $|s|$ and $|c|$ : Method 1

- Characteristic: use of AMO  $\phi$ -distributions.
- To remove (divide out) the effects of the experimental setup and acceptance, the  $\phi$ -distributions for PARA and PERP are divided by the AMO  $\phi$ -distributions (for matching bin combinations).
- Fit to  $I = I_0 \{ 1 + \delta_I [ |s| \sin(2\beta) + |c| \cos(2\beta) ] \}$   
where  $\beta = \phi_{lab} + \phi_{polarization}$

$\phi$  Distribution for PARA/AMO for  $p\pi^+\pi^-$



$\phi$  Distribution PERP/AMO for  $p\pi^+\pi^-$



## Extracting $|s$ and $|c$ : Method 2

- Characteristic: No use of AMO data  $\Rightarrow$  uses asymmetry between PARA and PERP.
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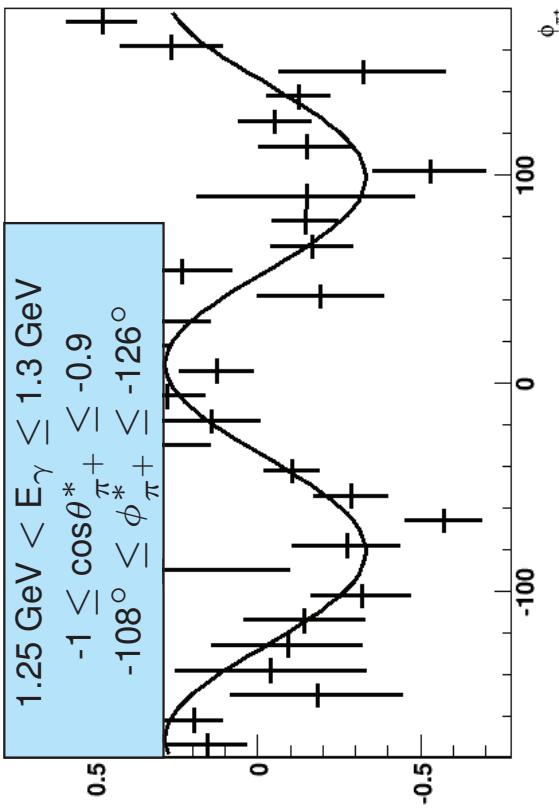
$$A(k, \cos\theta_{\pi^+}^*, \phi_{\pi^+}^*) = \frac{PARA - PERP}{PARA + PERP} = \frac{I_{PARA} - I_{PERP}}{I_{PARA} + I_{PERP}}$$

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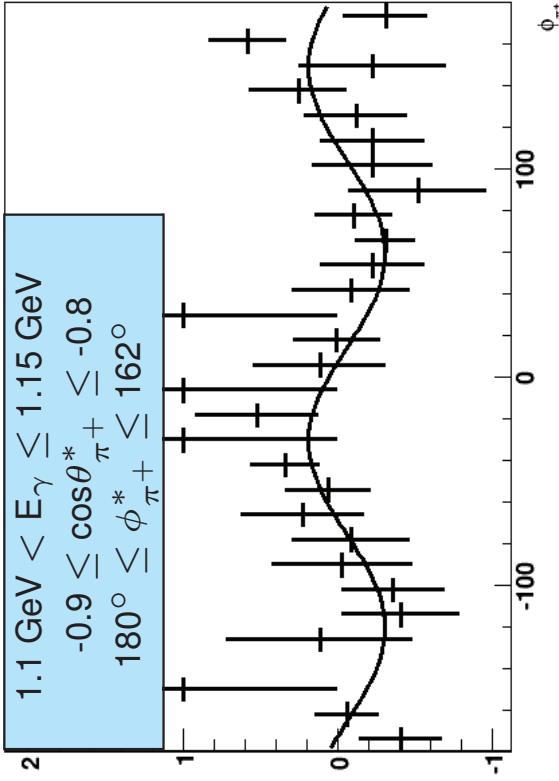
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$\phi$  Distribution for  $p\pi^+\pi^-$

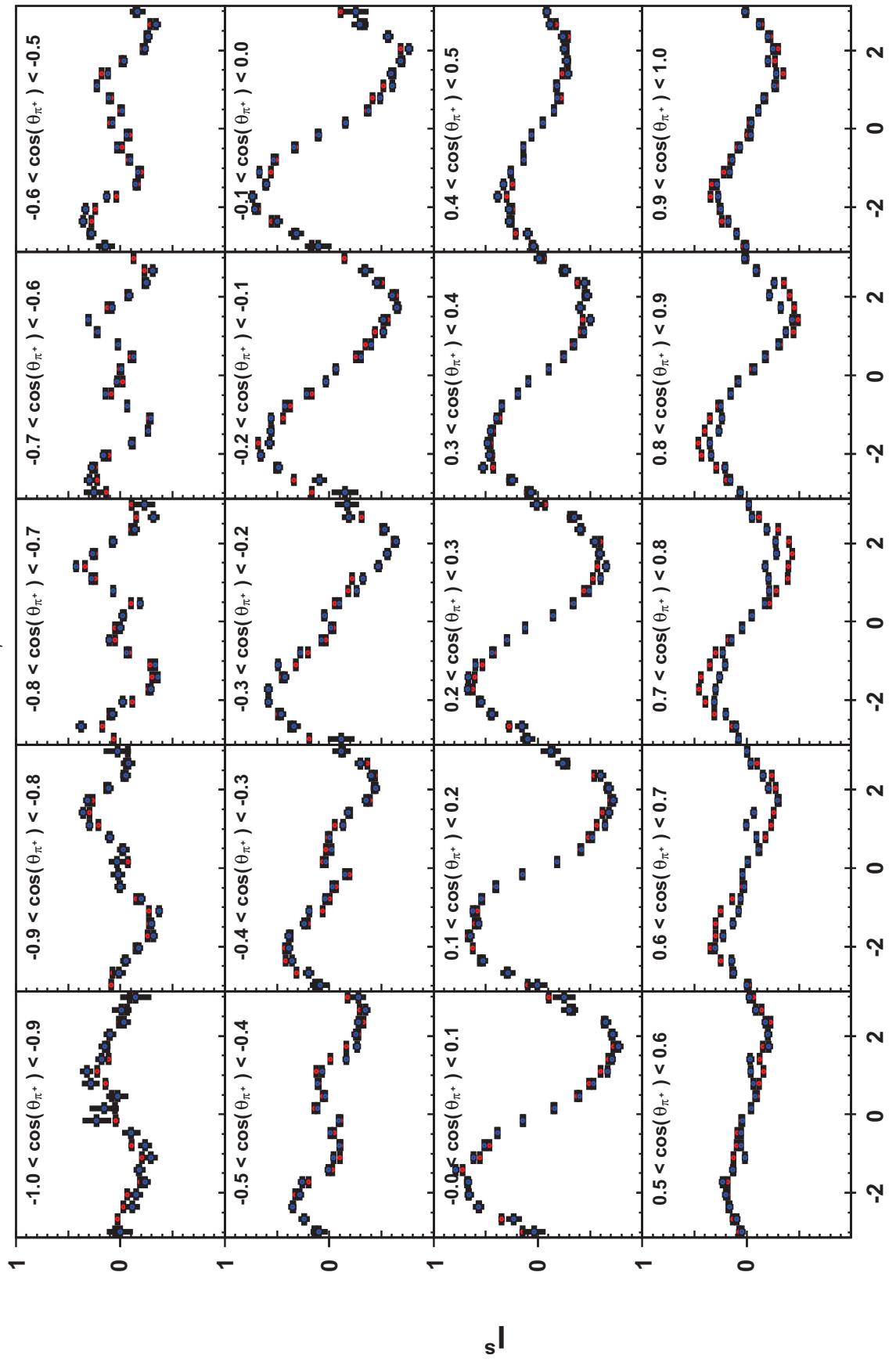


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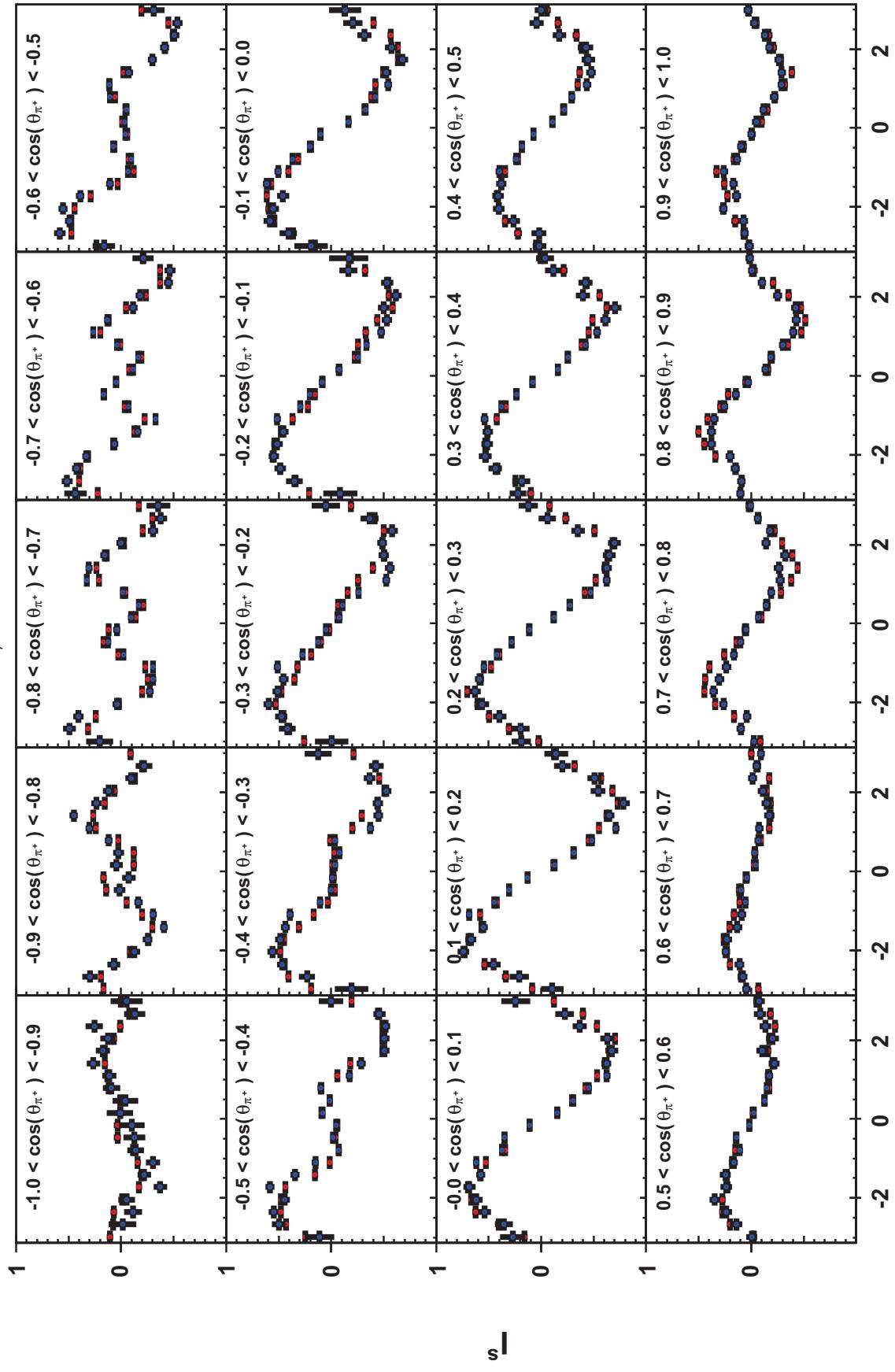
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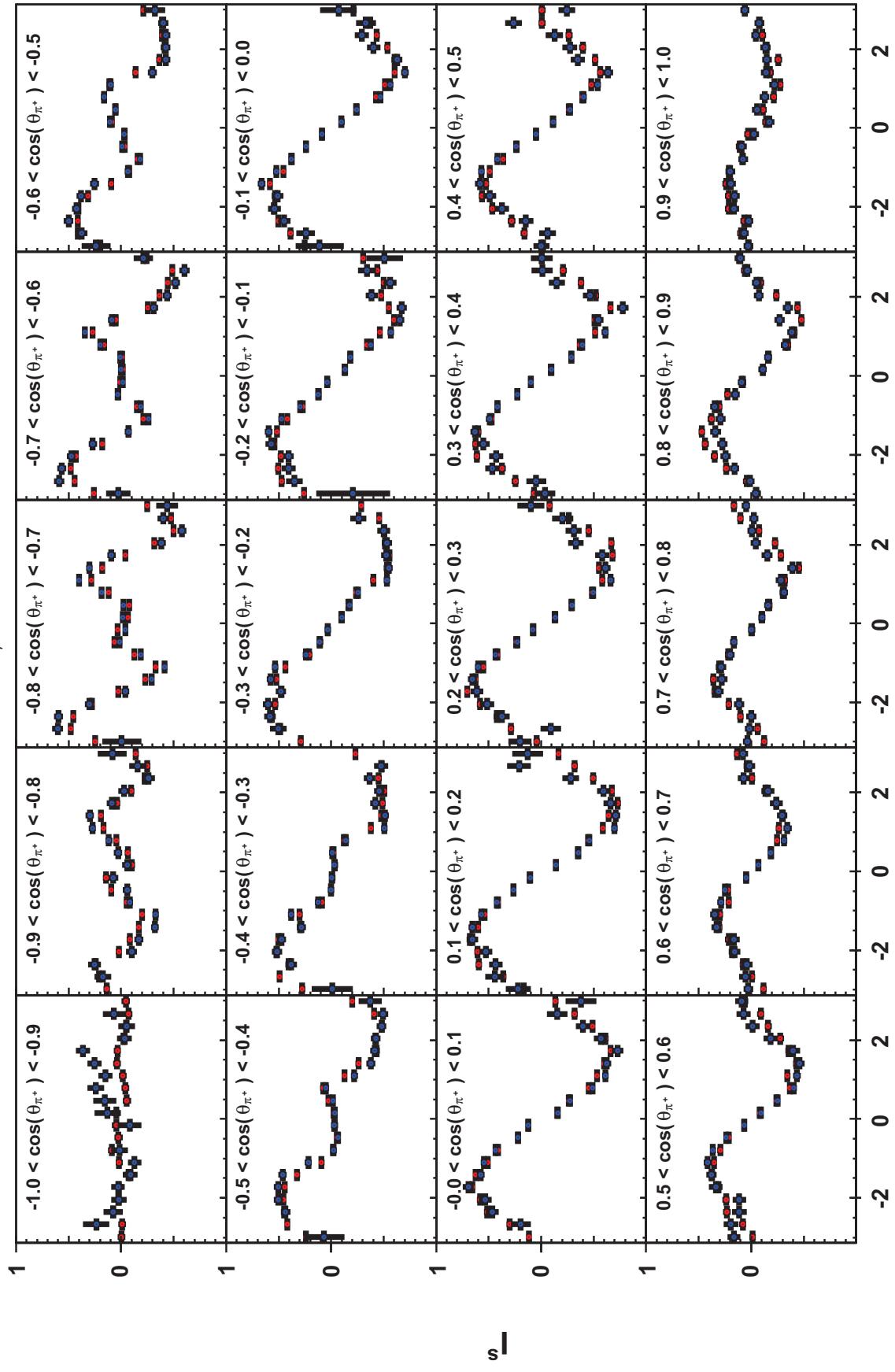
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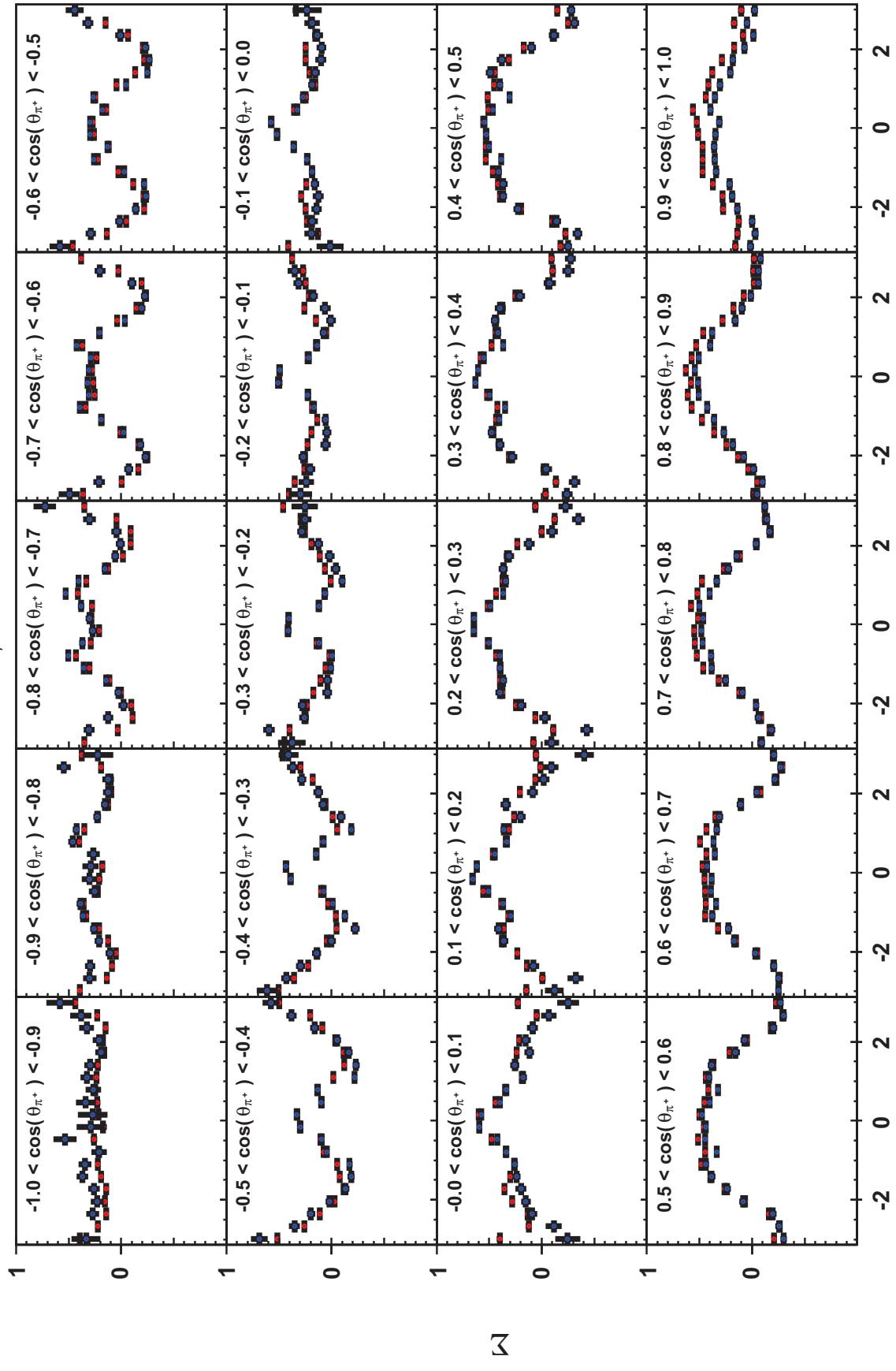
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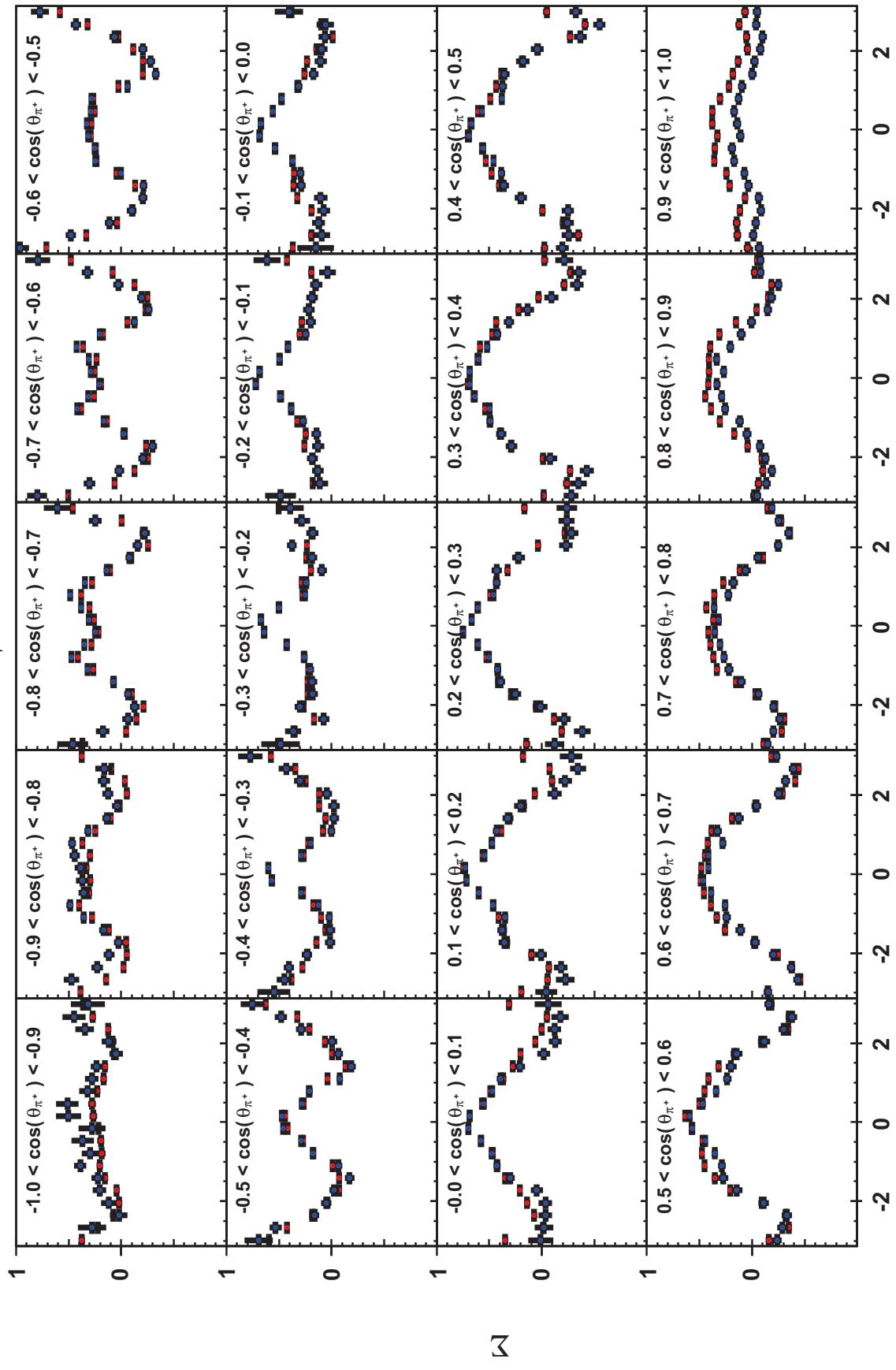
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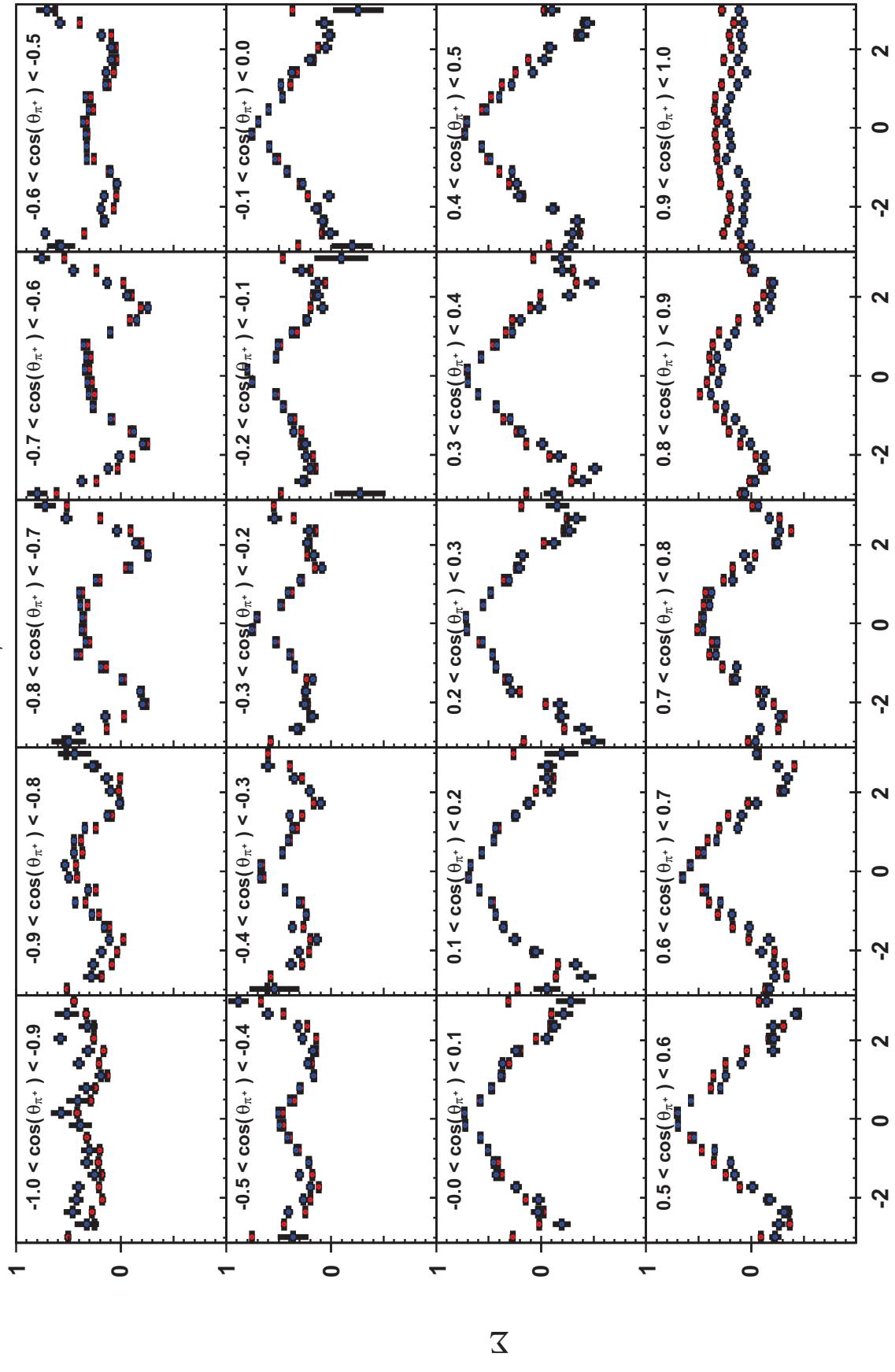
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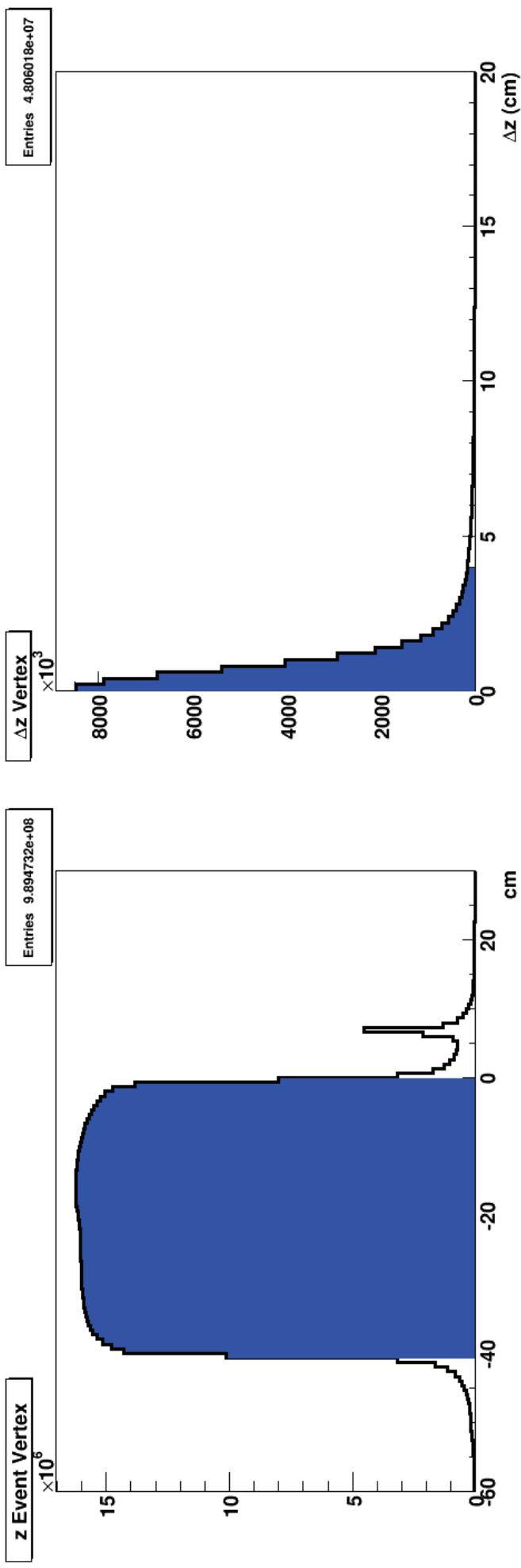
- Hadrons form the basis of most matter.
  - These hadrons are systems containing quarks and gluons.
  - Through the study of these systems when excited, the internal dynamics of the hadron may be demystified.
  - Polarization observables are sensitive to these dynamics.
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    - $|l^c$  (first for a two-charged-pion final state)
    - $|l^s$  (first for a two-pion final state)
  - These observable measurements as well as future measurements will aid in the refinement of CQMs as well aid in the revelation of the internal dynamics of the baryon.
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# END

# Backup Slides

# Cuts

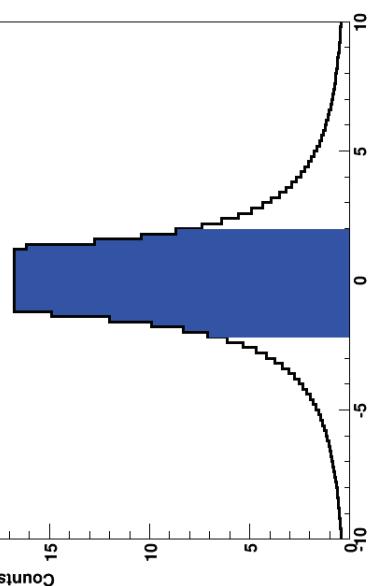
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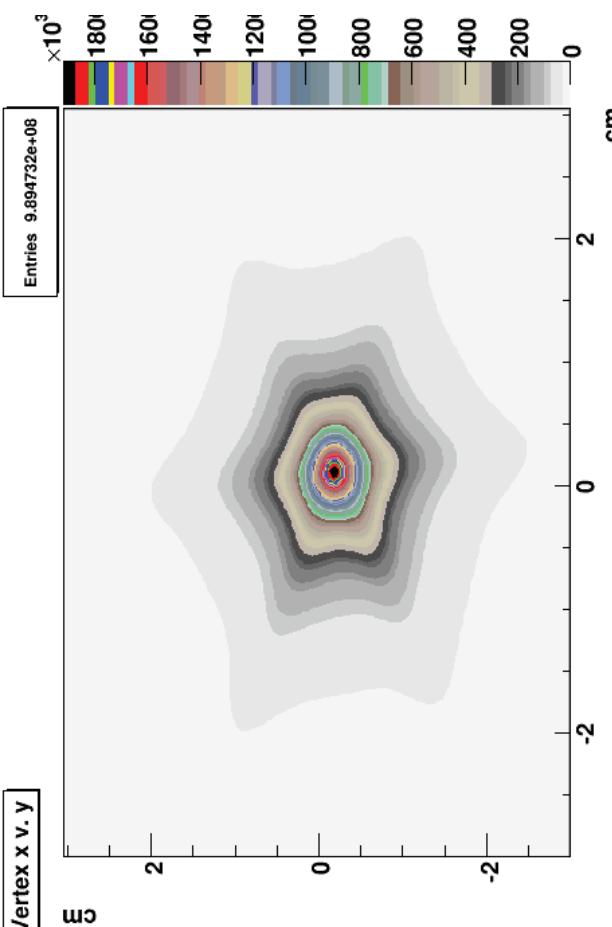
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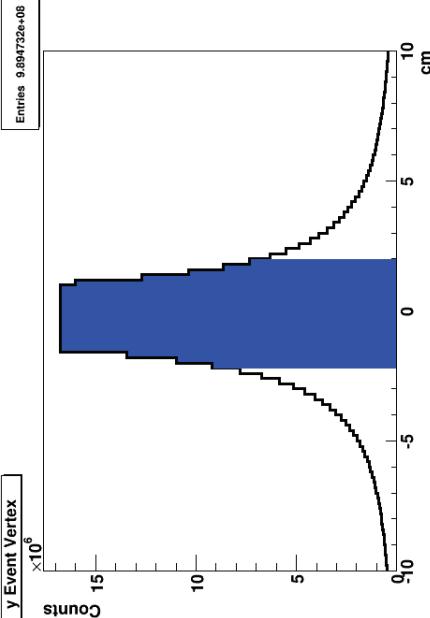


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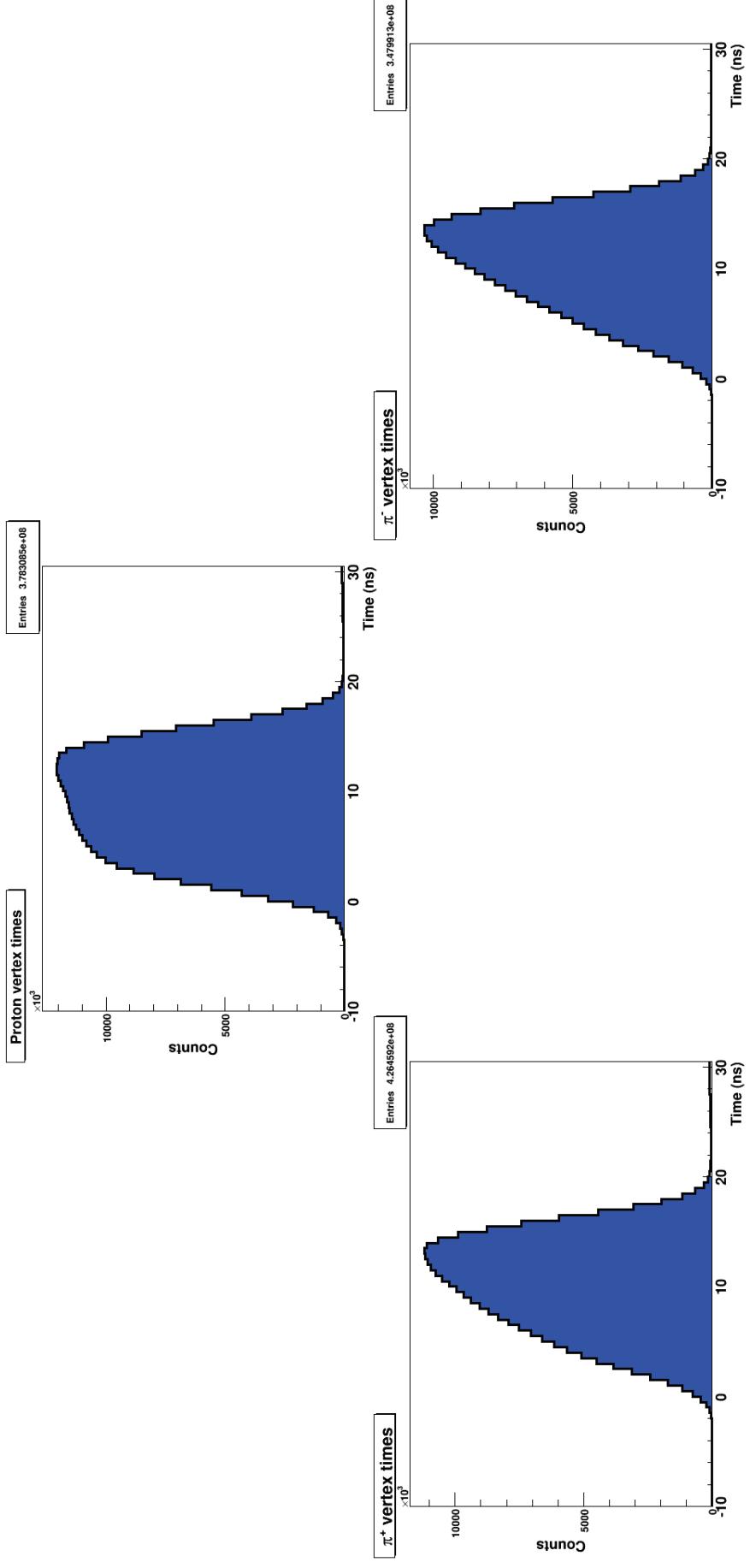
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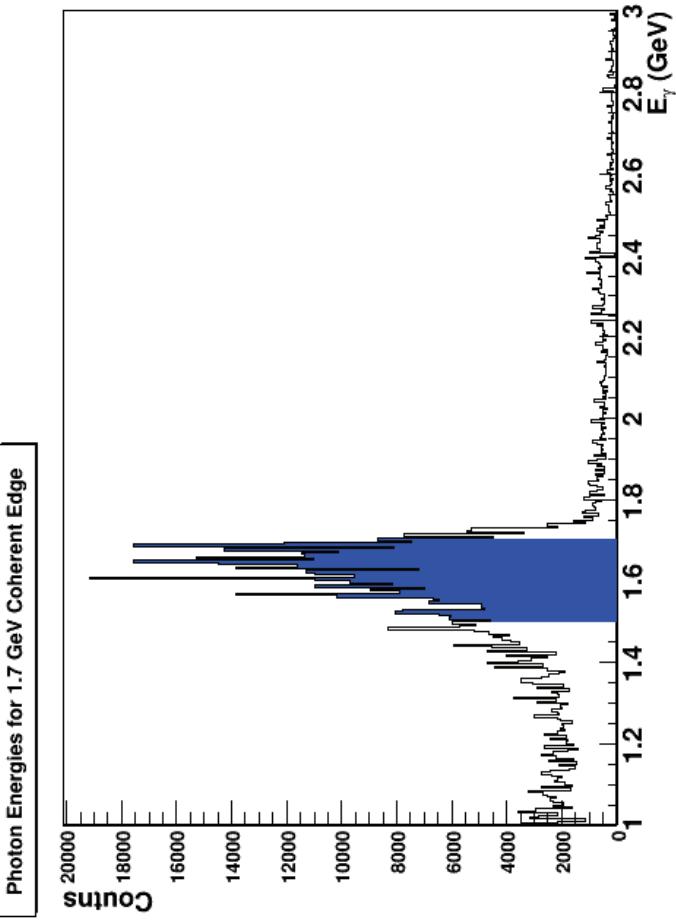
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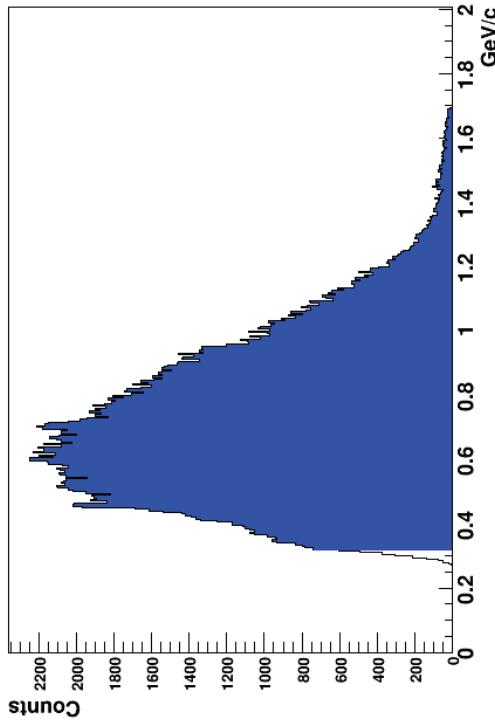
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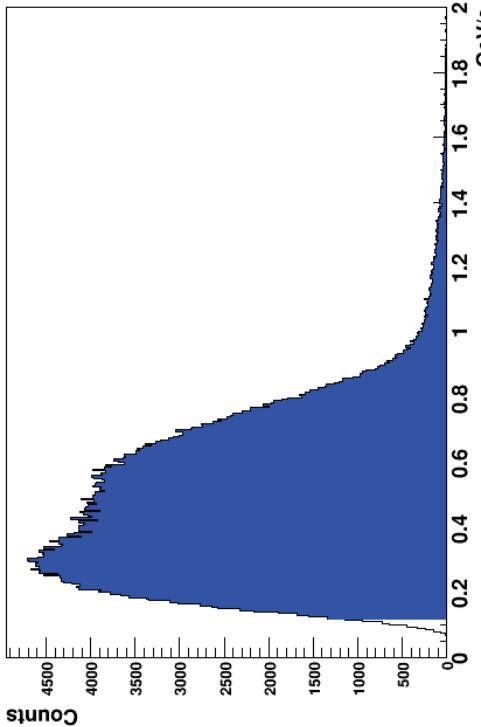
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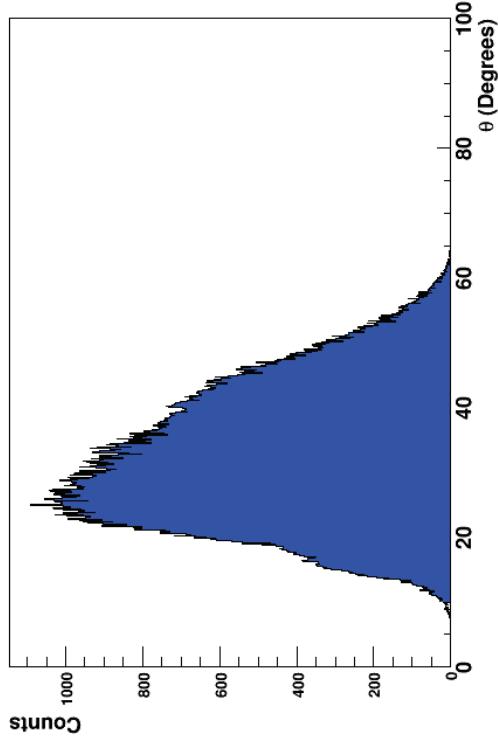
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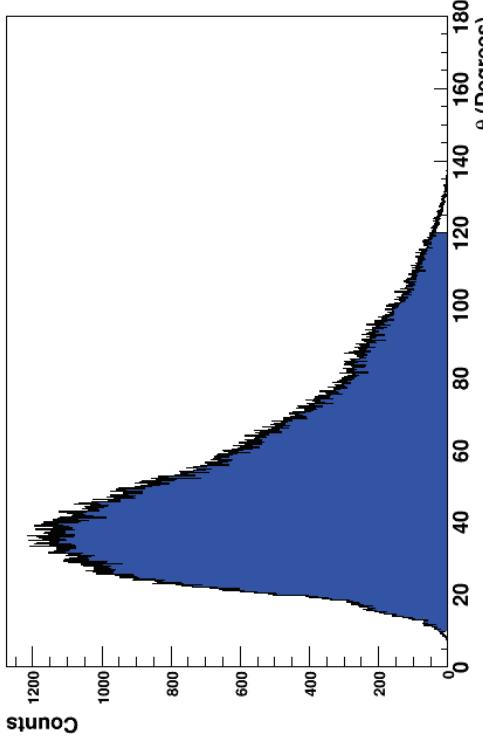
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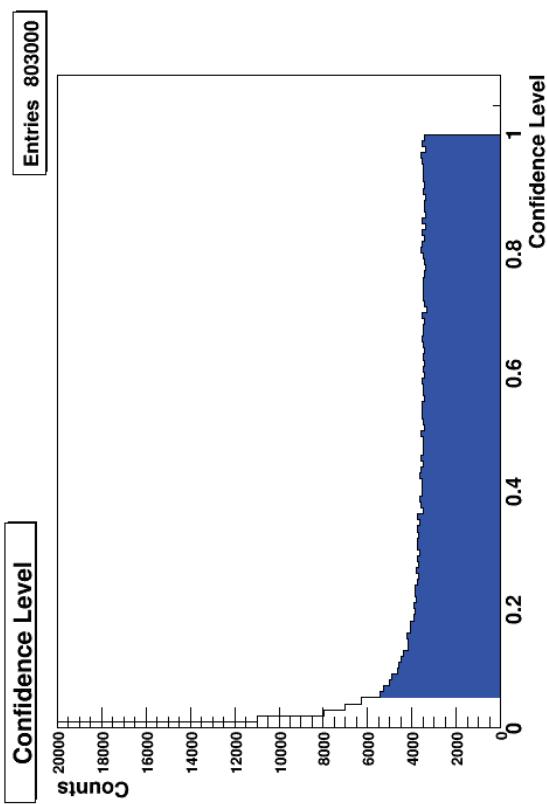
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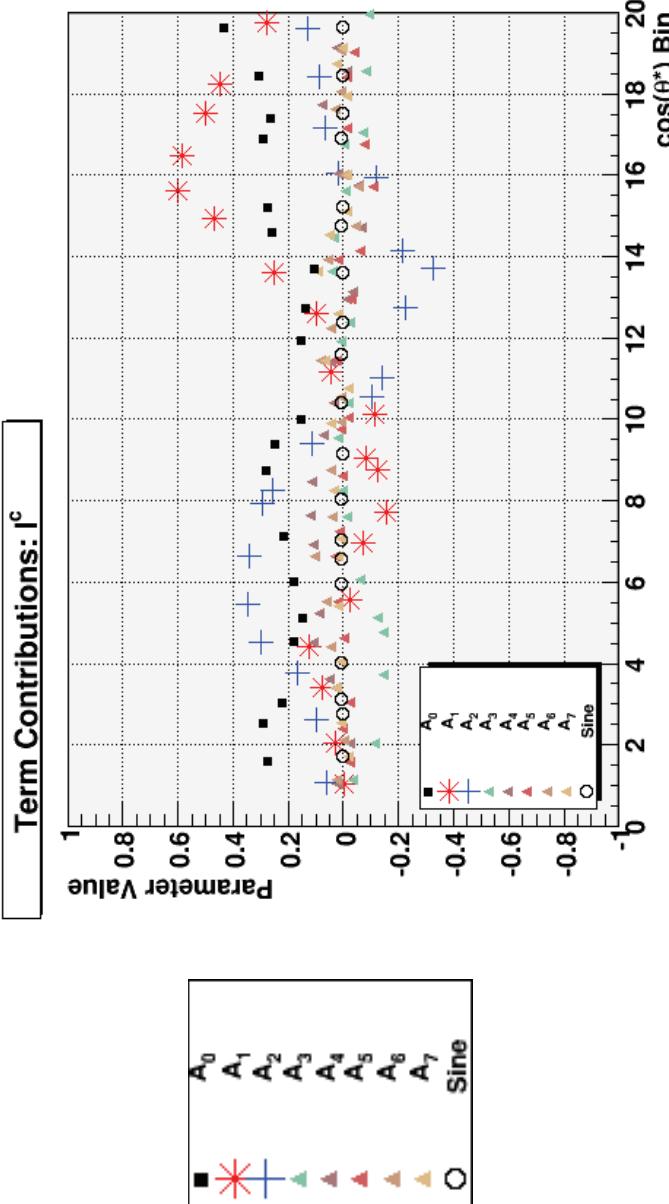
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