



Study of the $\bar{K}NN$ state in photoproduction with LEP S2 Detectors

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Outline

- **Physics motivation**
 - Physics interest with $\bar{K}^{*0} K^0$ state
 - Experimental Review on $\bar{K}^{*0} K^0$ search
 - A New Experiment with LEPS2 Solenoid Detectors
- **LEPS2 Experiment**
 - SPring-8 and LEPS2 Beam line
 - LEPS2 Solenoid detectors
 - Analysis Reports

The simplest kaonic nucleus $\bar{K}NN(I = 1/2)$

$\bar{K}N$ interaction

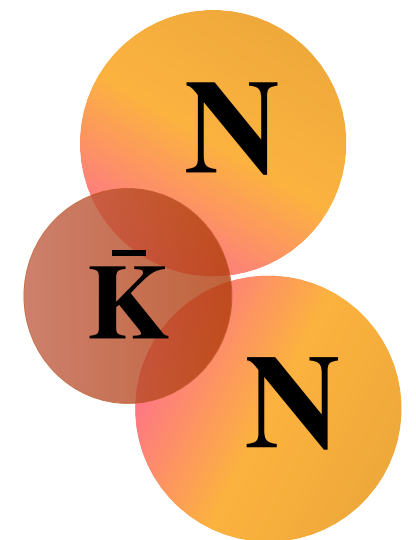
Known to be strongly attractive ($\bar{K}N(I = 0)$ channel)
from K-p atomic X-ray shift and low energy K- p scattering data

The simplest kaonic nucleus $\bar{K}NN(I = 1/2)$

$$|\bar{K}[NN]_{I=0}\rangle_{I=1/2} = -\frac{1}{2} |[\bar{K}N]_{I=0}N\rangle_{I=1/2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} |[\bar{K}N]_{I=1}N\rangle_{I=1/2}$$

$$|\bar{K}[NN]_{I=1}\rangle_{I=1/2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} |[\bar{K}N]_{I=0}N\rangle_{I=1/2} + \frac{1}{2} |[\bar{K}N]_{I=1}N\rangle_{I=1/2}$$

$$|\bar{K}[NN]_{I=1}\rangle_{I=3/2} = - |[\bar{K}N]_{I=1}N\rangle_{I=3/2}$$



Experimental results of $\bar{K}NN$ search

Signal Present

FINUDA@DAΦNE

PRL 94 (2005) 212303

DISTO@SATURNE

PRL104(2010) 132502

E27@J-PARC

PTEP(2015) 021D01

E15@J-PARC

PLB789 (2019) 620

Signal Absent

AMADEUS@DAΦNE

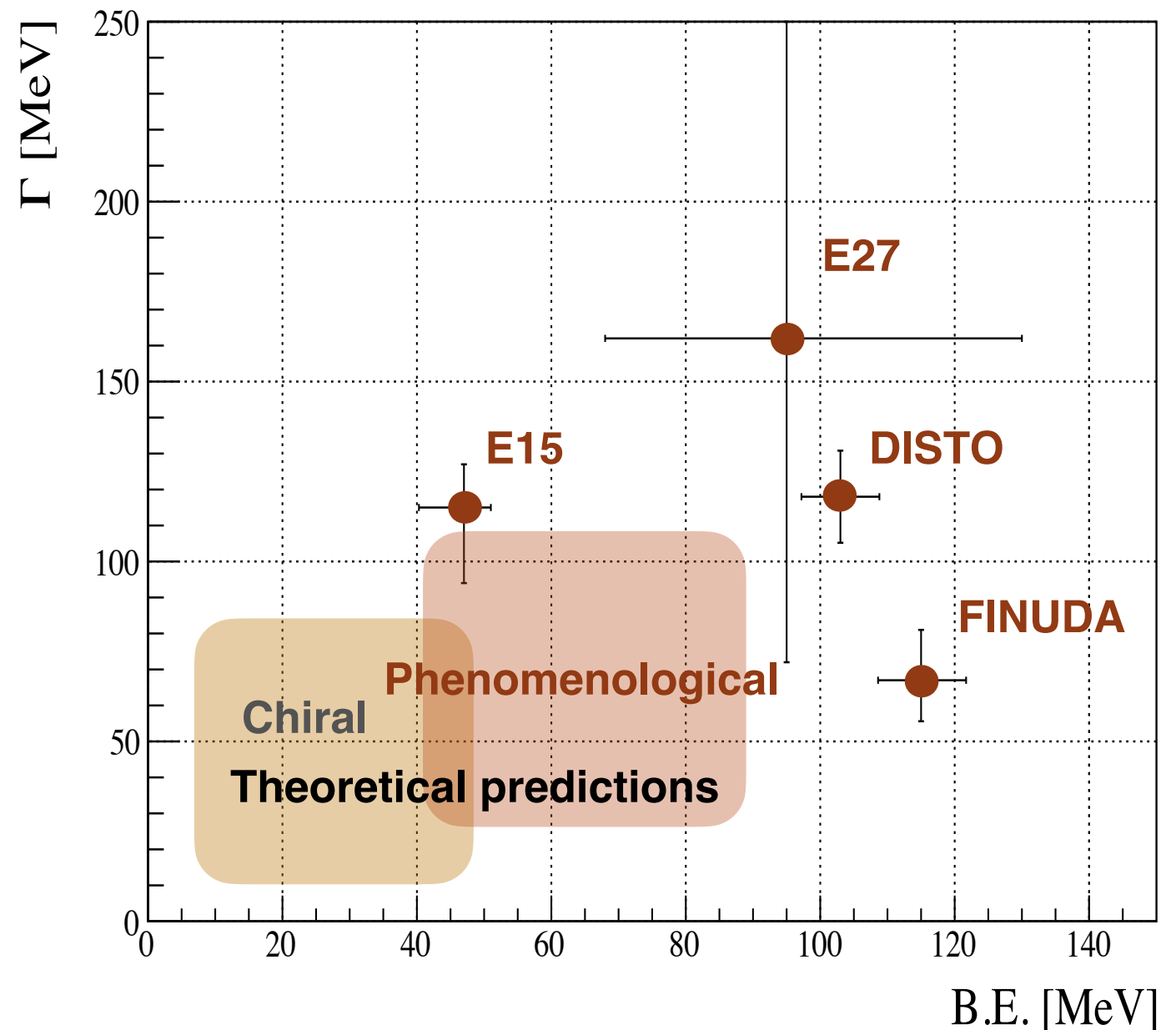
arXiv:1809.07212

LEPS@SPring-8

PLB 728 (2014) 616

HADES@GSI

PLB742(2015) 242



Study for $\bar{K}NN$ with various beams

J-PARC E15	J-PARC E27	LEPS
${}^3\text{He}(\text{K}^-, \Lambda\text{p})\text{n}$	$\text{d}(\pi^+, \text{K}^+)\text{Yp}$	$\text{d}(\gamma, \text{K}^+\pi^-)\text{X}$
$P_K = 1.0 \text{ GeV}/c$	$P_\pi = 1.69 \text{ GeV}/c$	$P_\gamma = 1.5 - 2.4 \text{ GeV}/c$

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J-PARC E27

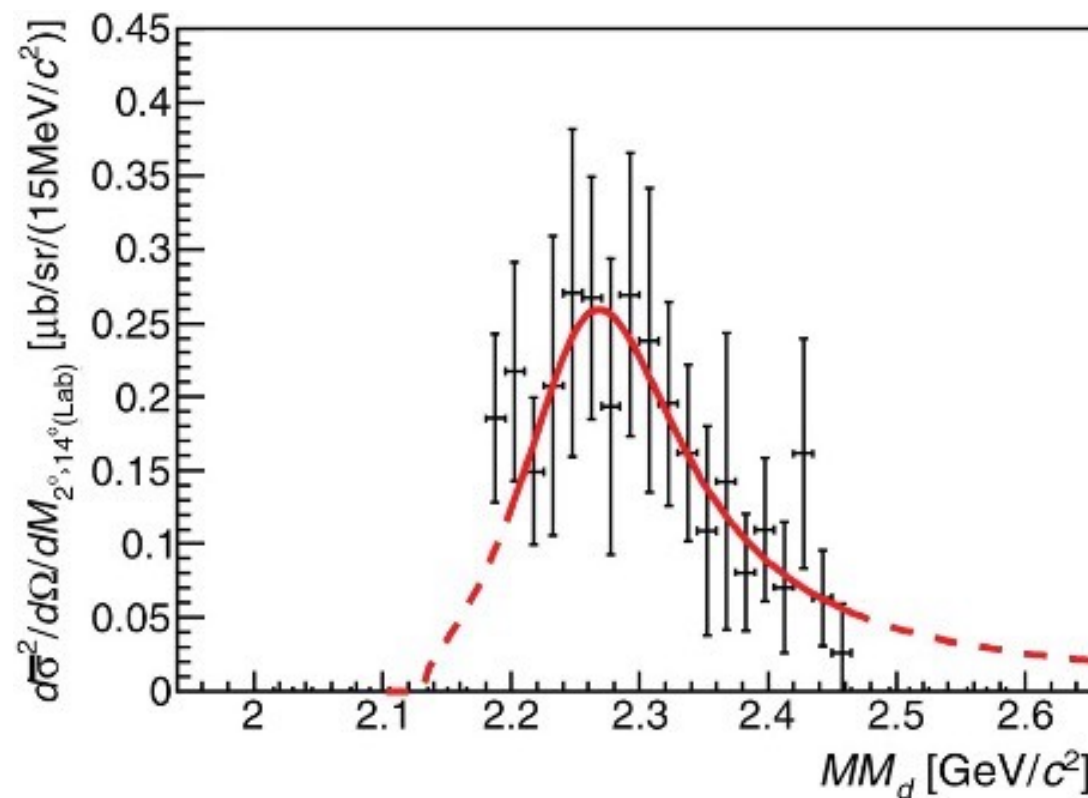
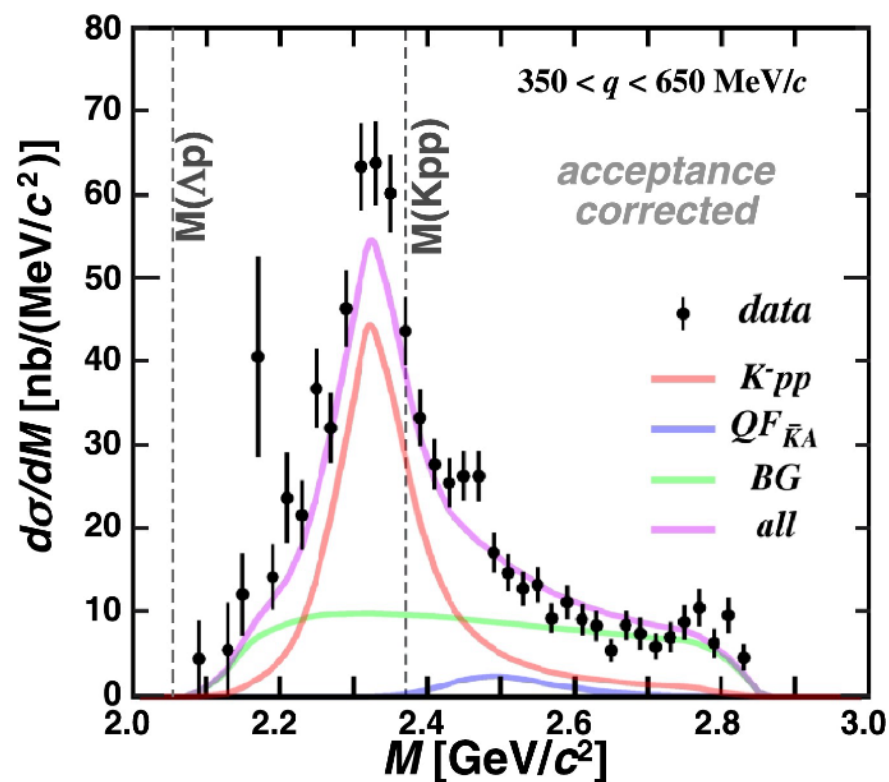
$\text{d}(\pi^+, \text{K}^+)\text{Yp}$

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key point

**detected or tagged Y, p
in the side region**



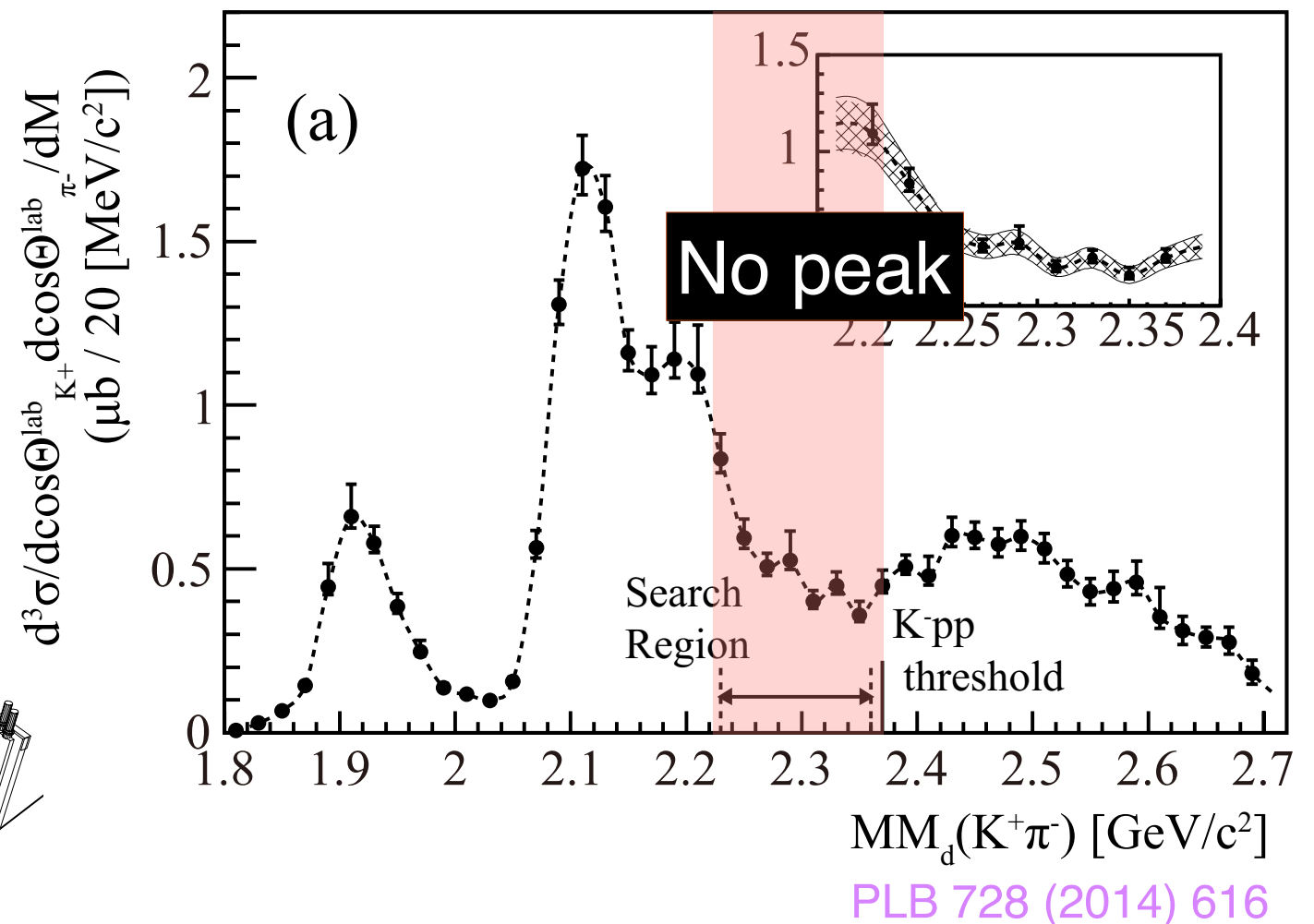
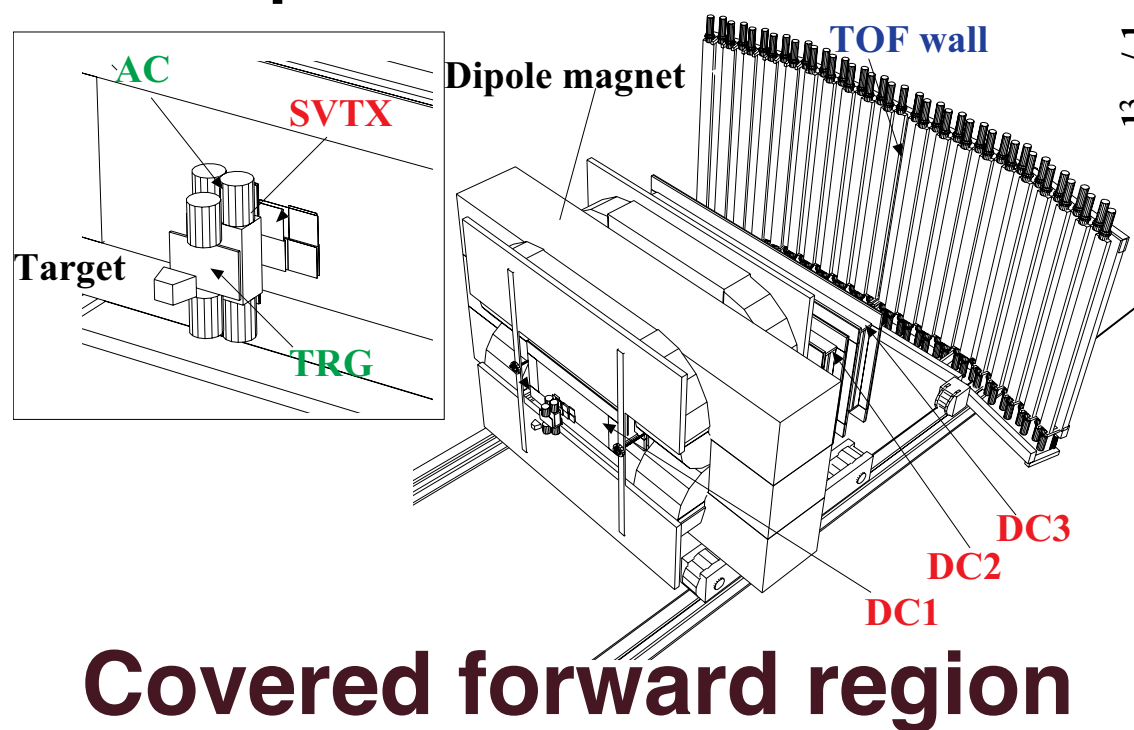
Study for $\bar{K}NN$ with photon beam

LEPS

$$d(\gamma, K^+ \pi^-)X$$

$$P_\gamma = 1.5 - 2.4 \text{ GeV}/c$$

LEPS dipole detectors



An upper limit is $\sim 1 \mu\text{b}$

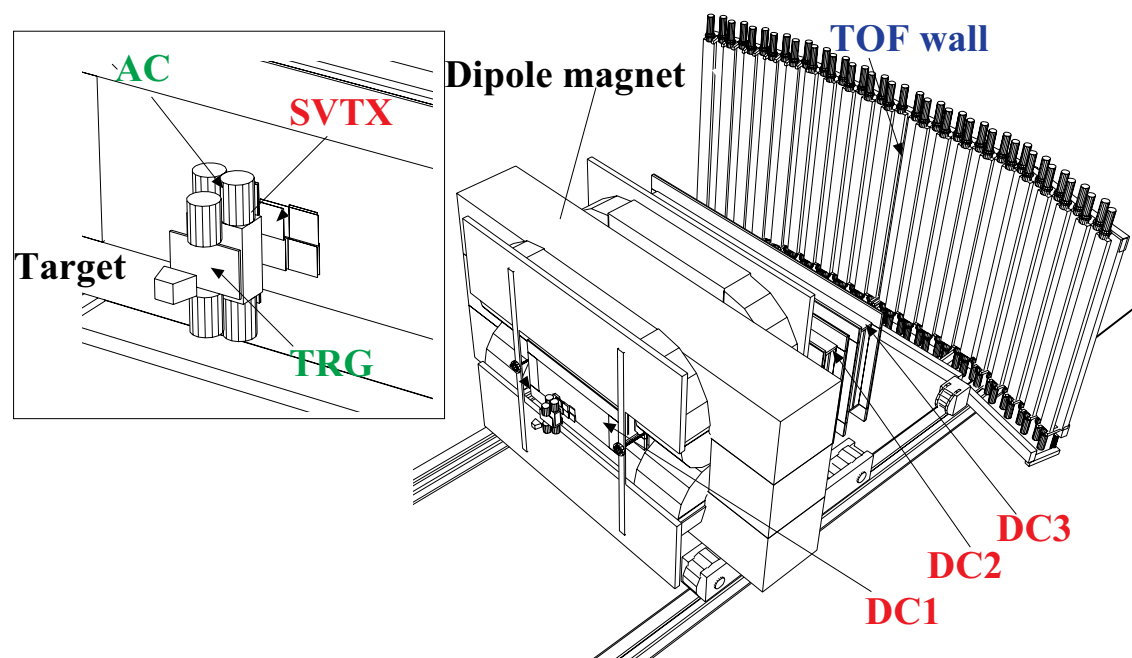
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Inclusive measurement

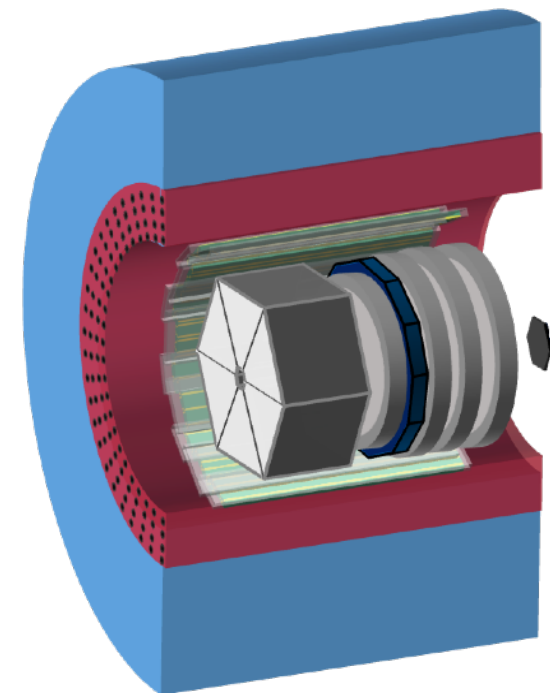


LEPS2

$$d(\gamma, \Lambda p) K^0$$

$$P_\gamma = 1.3 - 2.4 \text{ GeV}/c$$

Exclusive measurement



Decay modes of $\bar{K}NN$ state

◆ non-mesonic decay mode

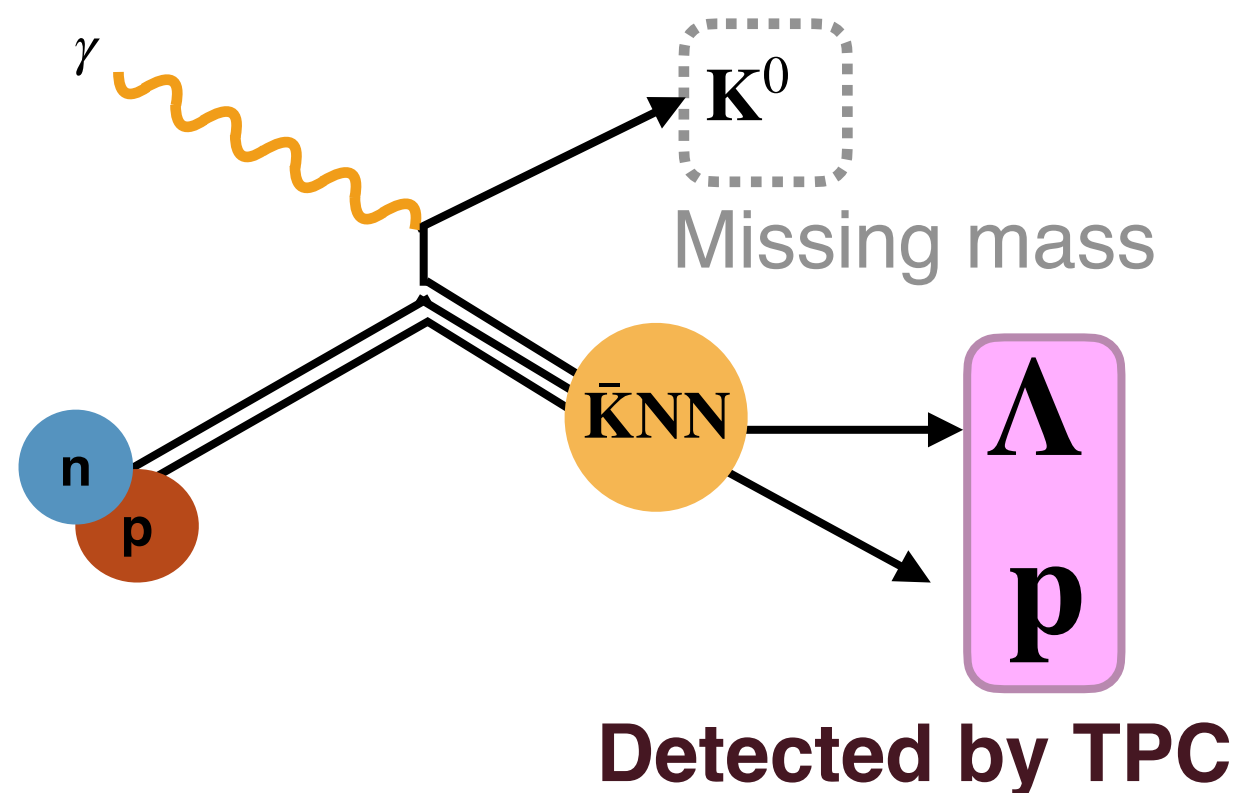
$\Lambda p, \Sigma^0 p, \Sigma^+ n$

First step of LEPS2

◆ mesonic decay mode

$\Lambda\pi N, \Sigma\pi N$

$$\gamma d \rightarrow K^0(\bar{K}NN)_{B.S.} \rightarrow K^0 \Lambda p$$



What's LEPS2 Experiment ?

SPring-8

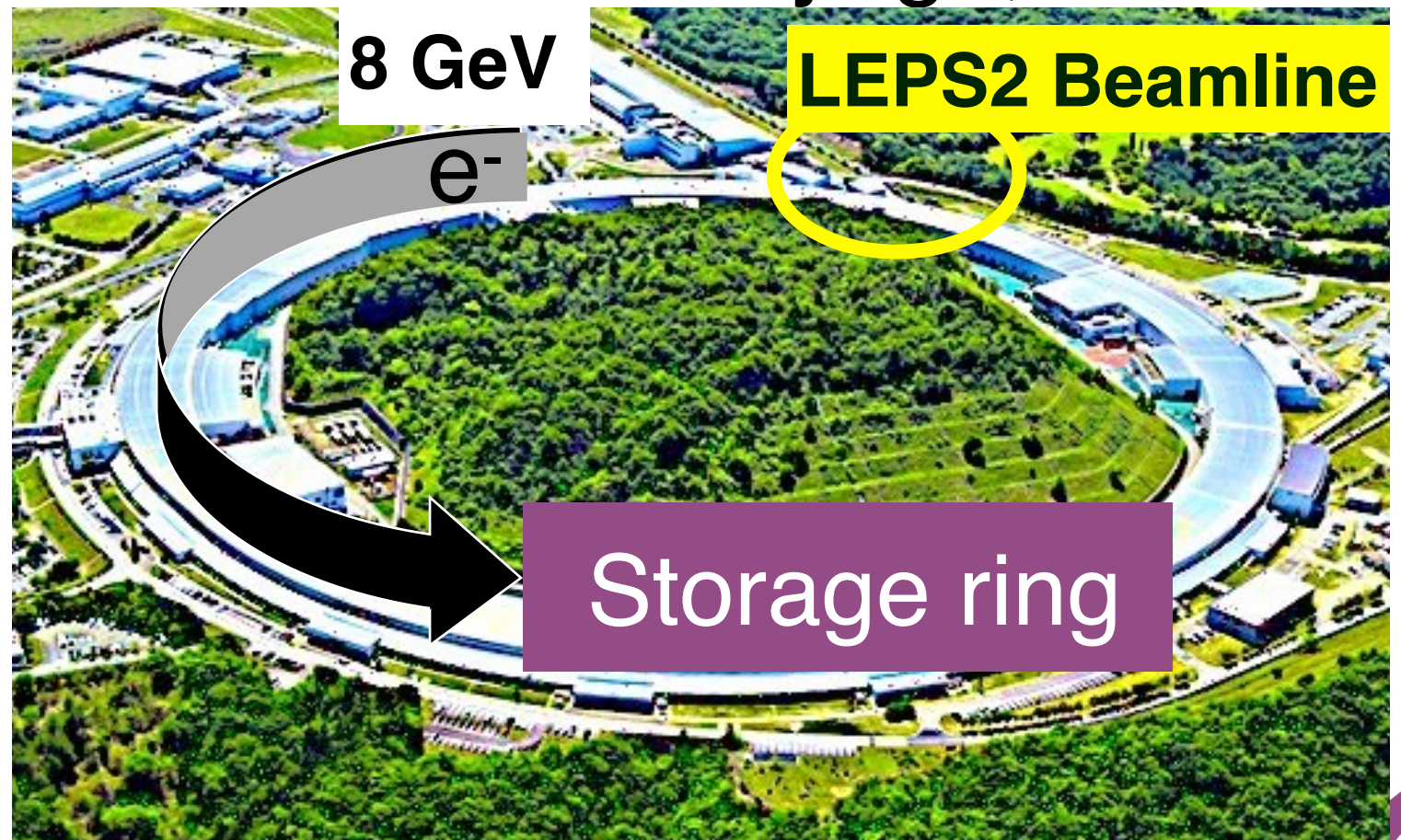
@Hyogo, JAPAN

LEPS2 Beamline

8 GeV

e^-

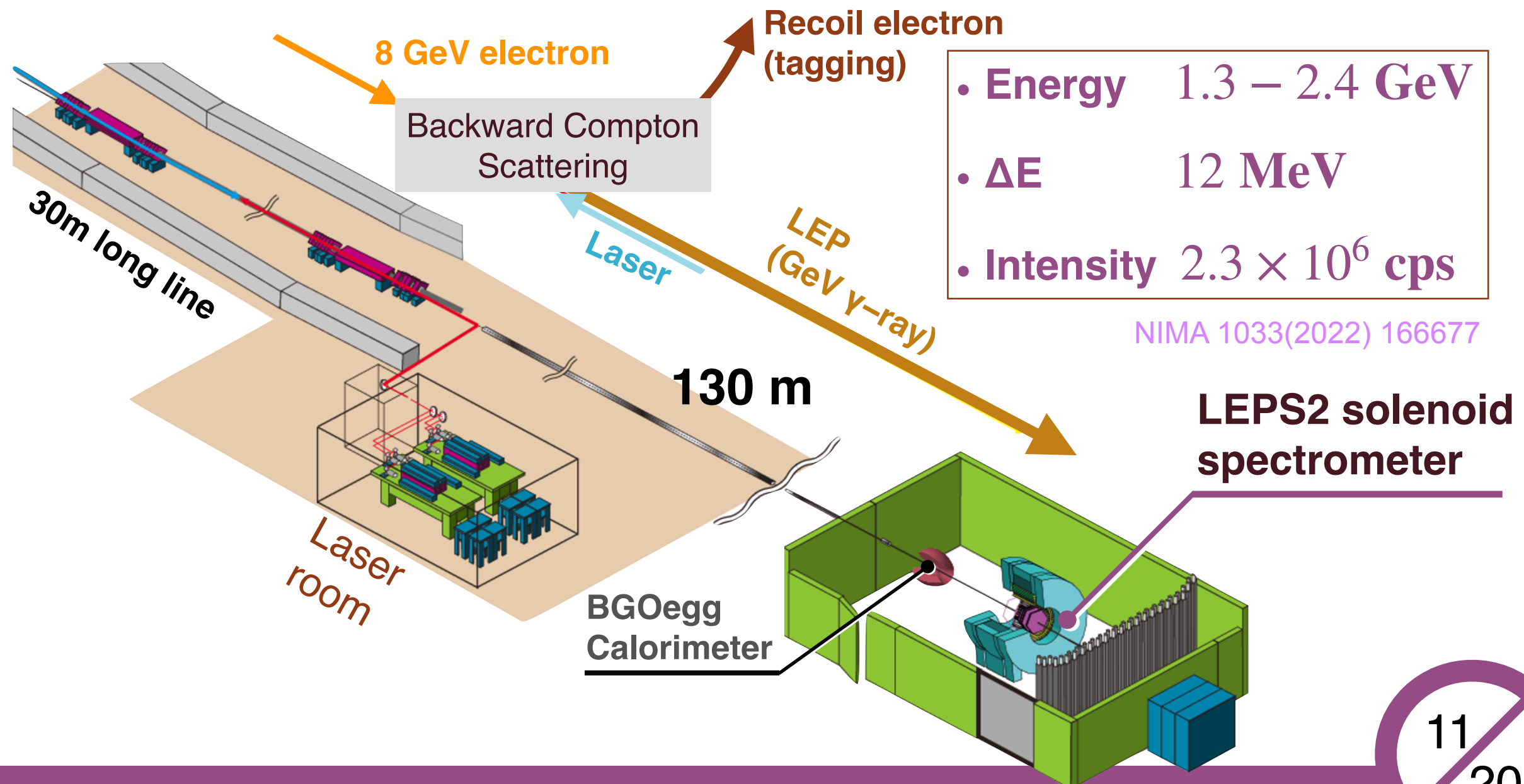
Storage ring



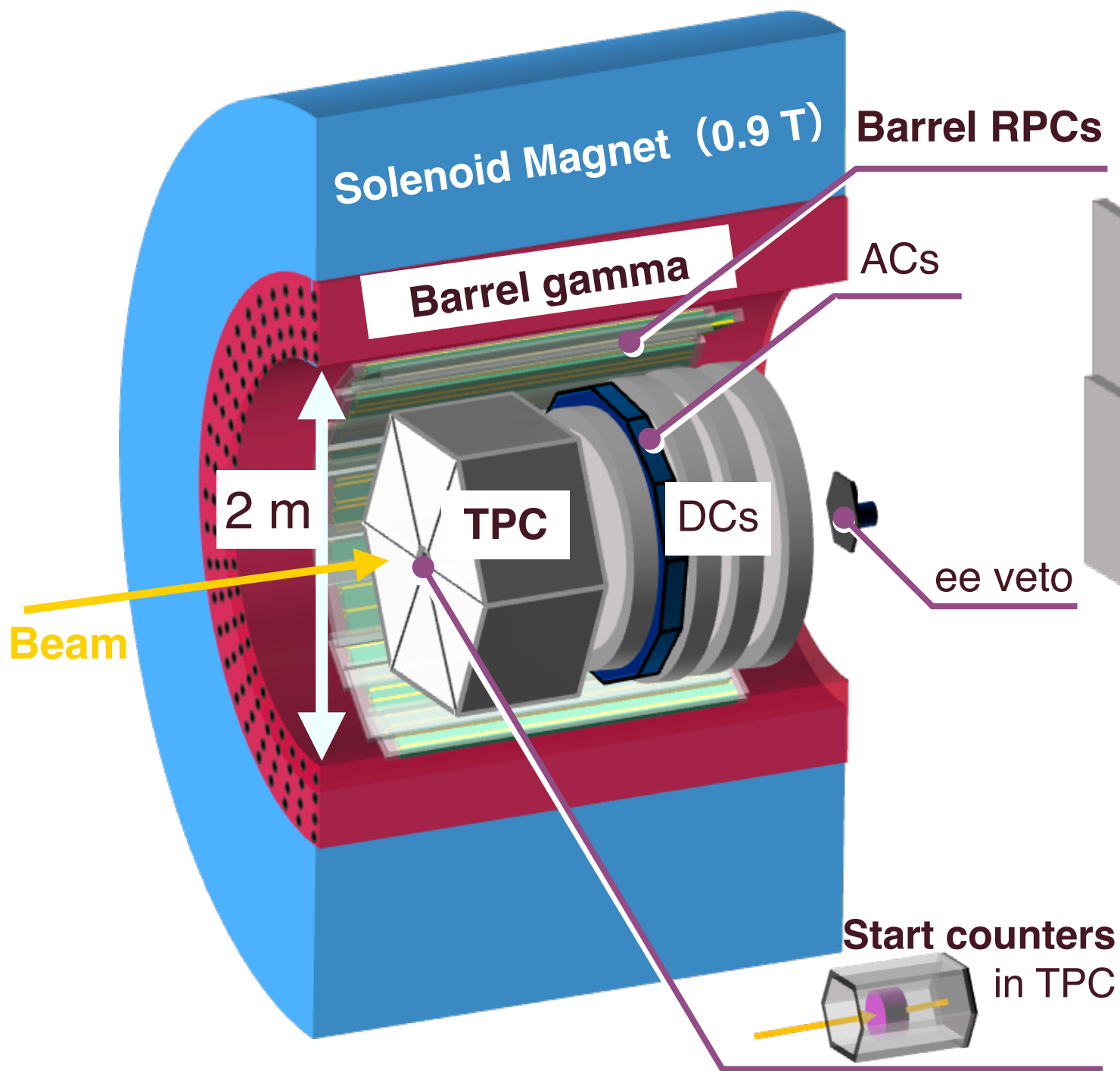
LEPS2 Beam Line

2nd Laser Electron Photon beam line at SPring-8

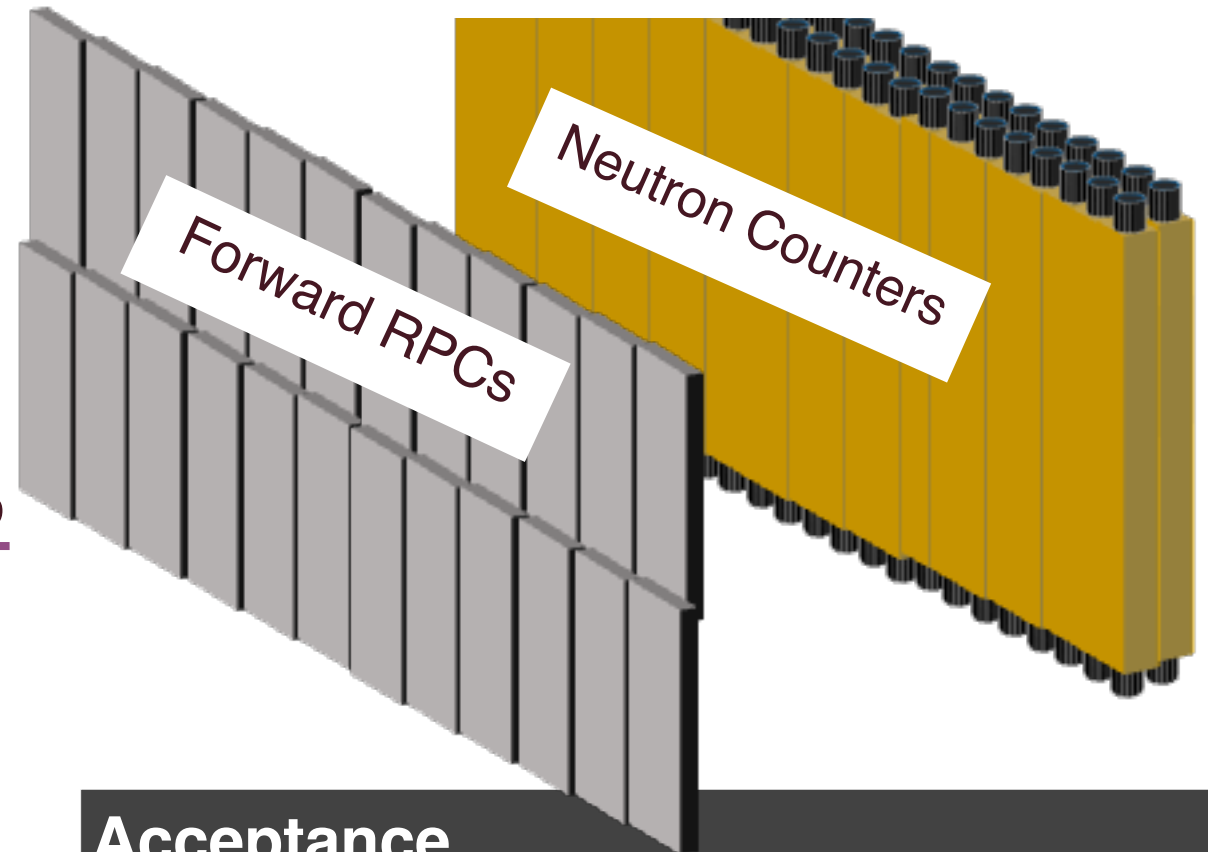
Photon beam produced via the laser-induced Compton scattering



LEPS2 Solenoid Detectors



TPC : Time Projection Chamber
 AC : Aerogel Cherenkov counter
 RPC : Resistive Plate Chamber
 DC : Drift Chamber



Acceptance

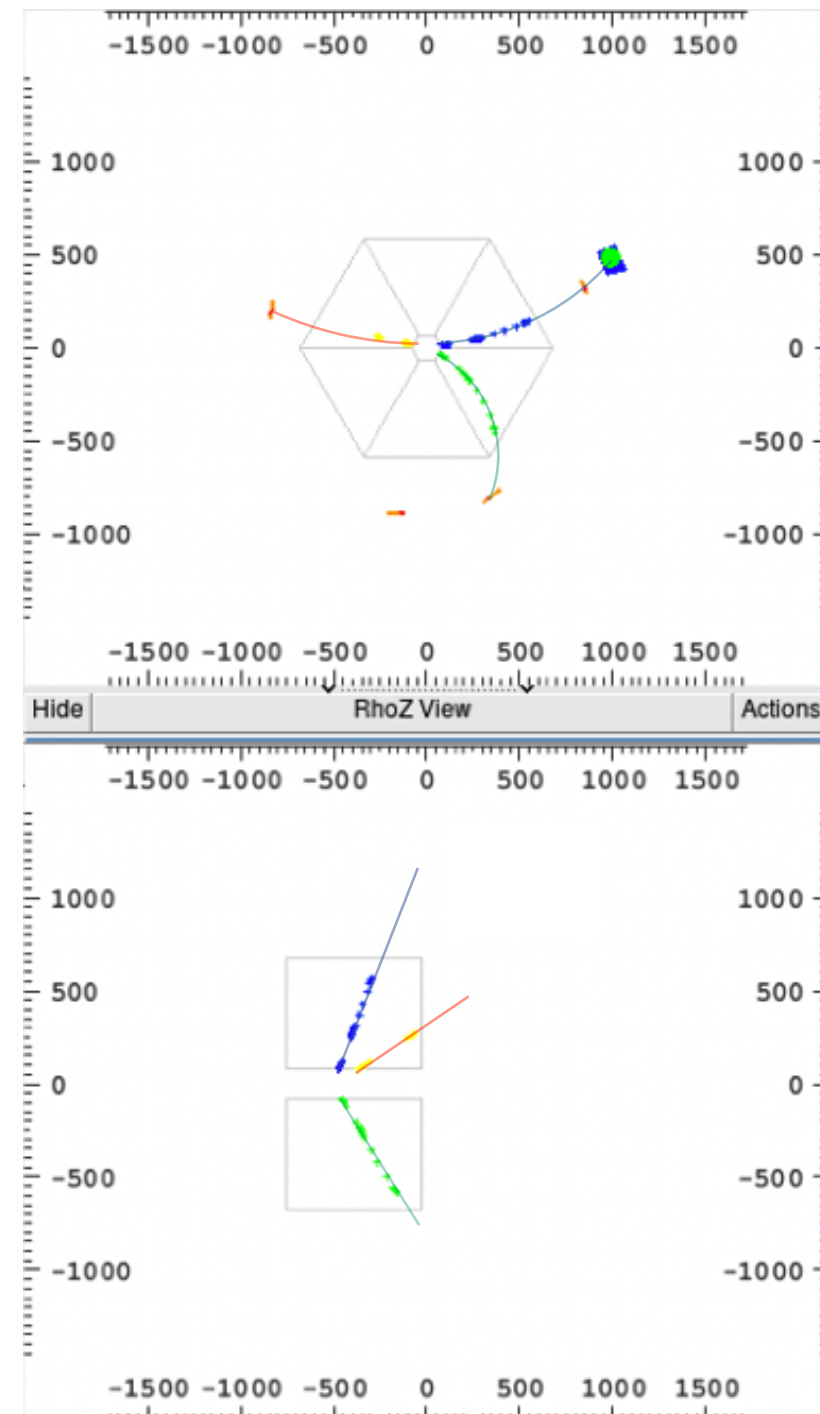
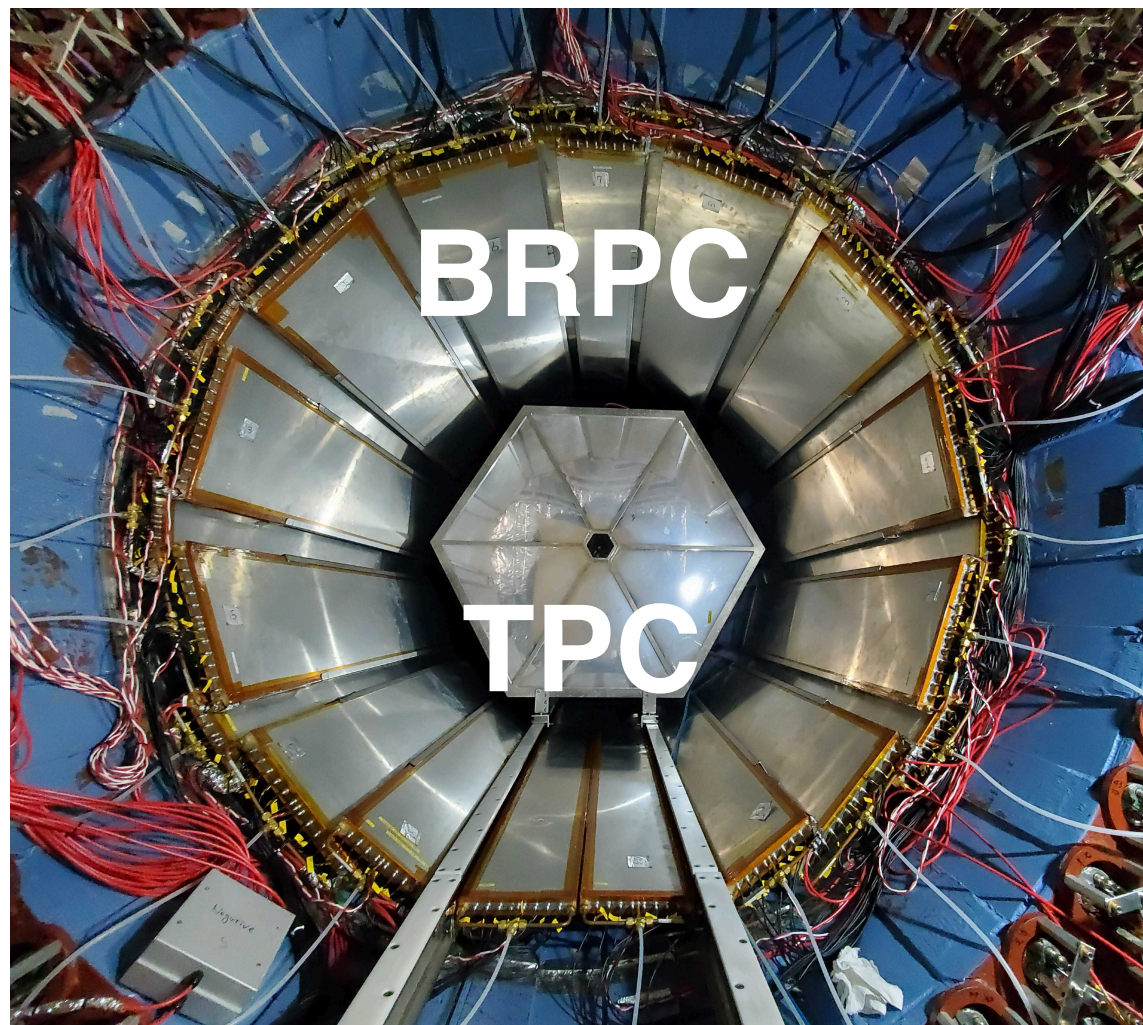
7° – 30° (Charged particles by DC)
 40° – 110° (Charged particles by TPC)
 40° – 110° (γ-rays)
 0° – 12° (neutrons)

LEPS2 Detectors in the side region

Data taking in 2022 - 2023

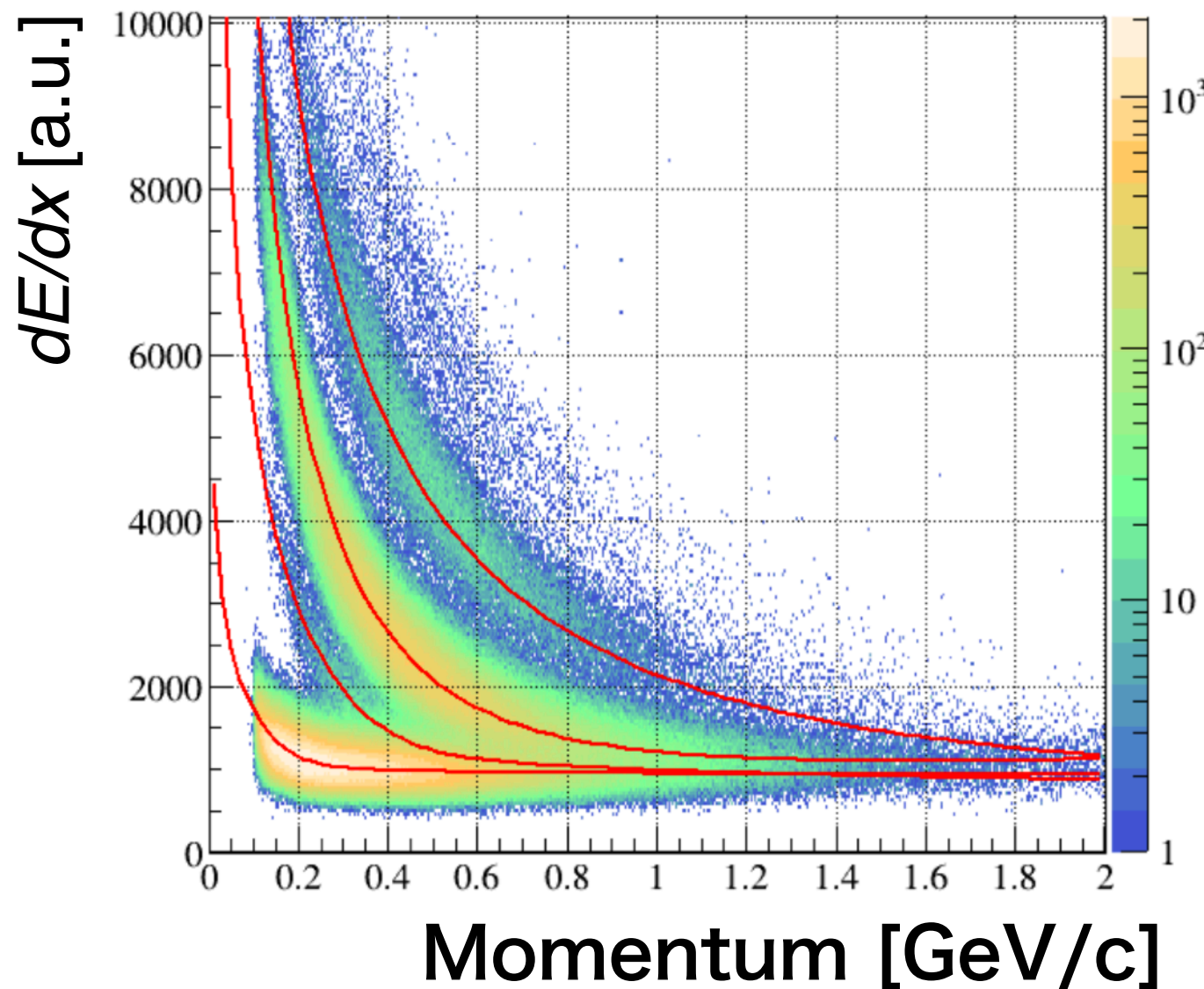
LH₂ Data $\sim 1.9 \times 10^{12}$ photons

LD₂ Data $\sim 5.7 \times 10^{12}$ photons

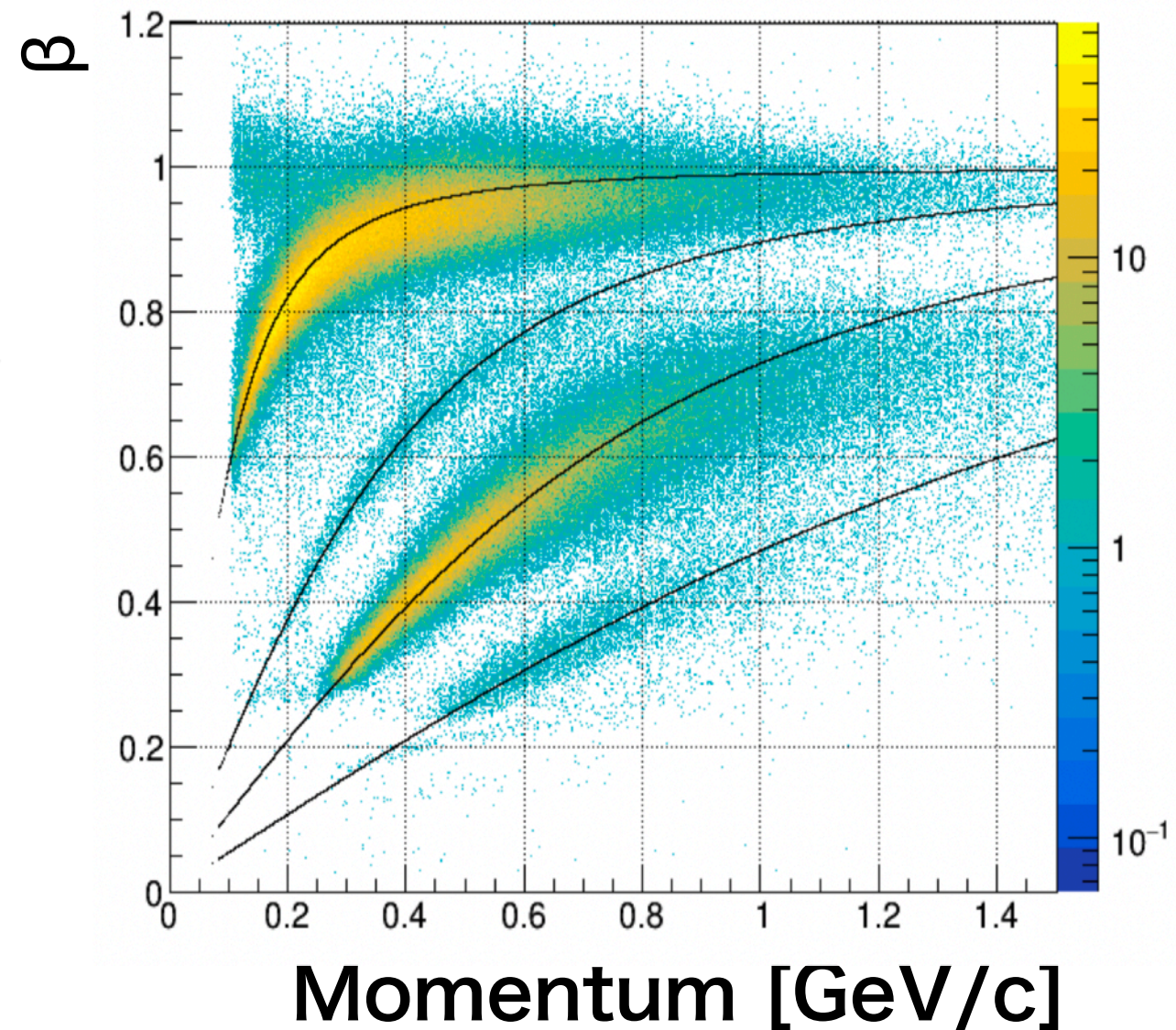


Particle Identification using TPC&BRPC

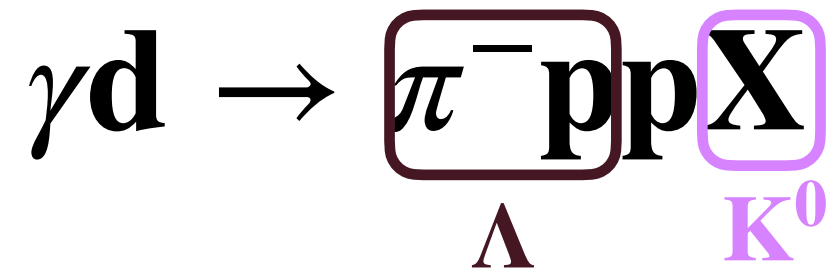
TPC dE/dx



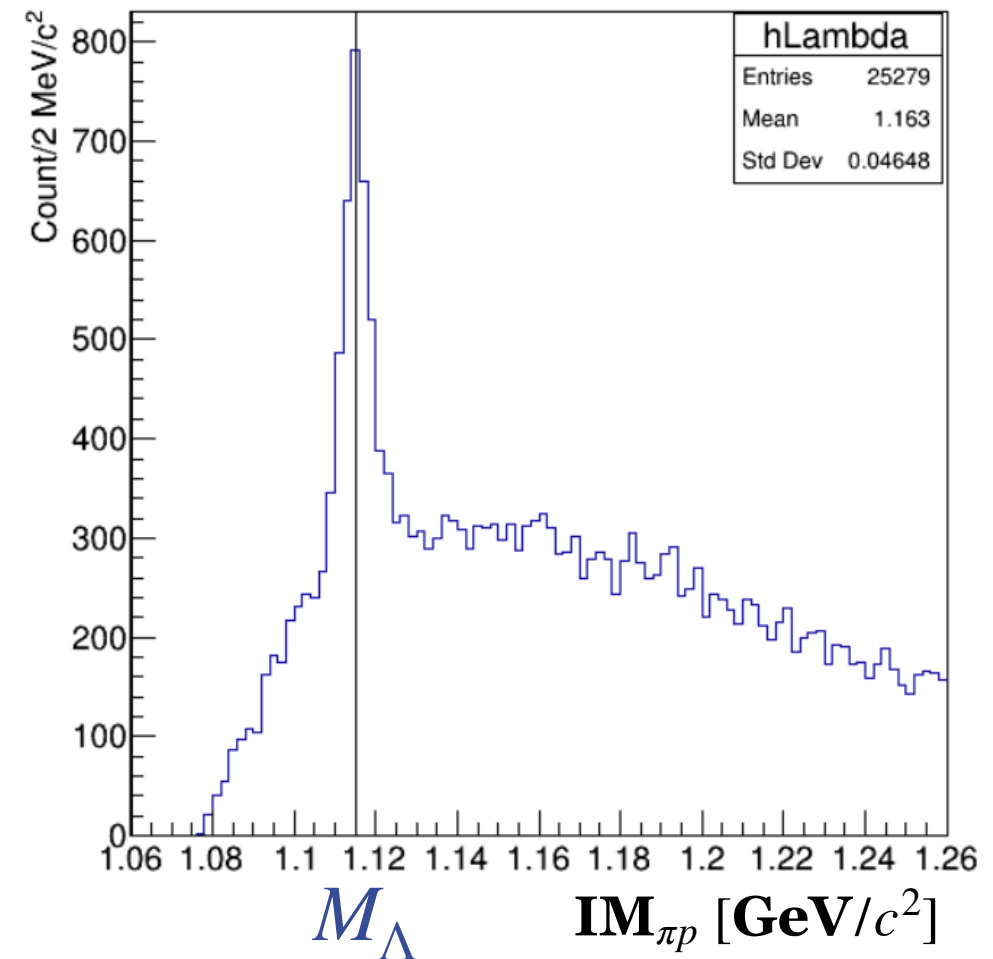
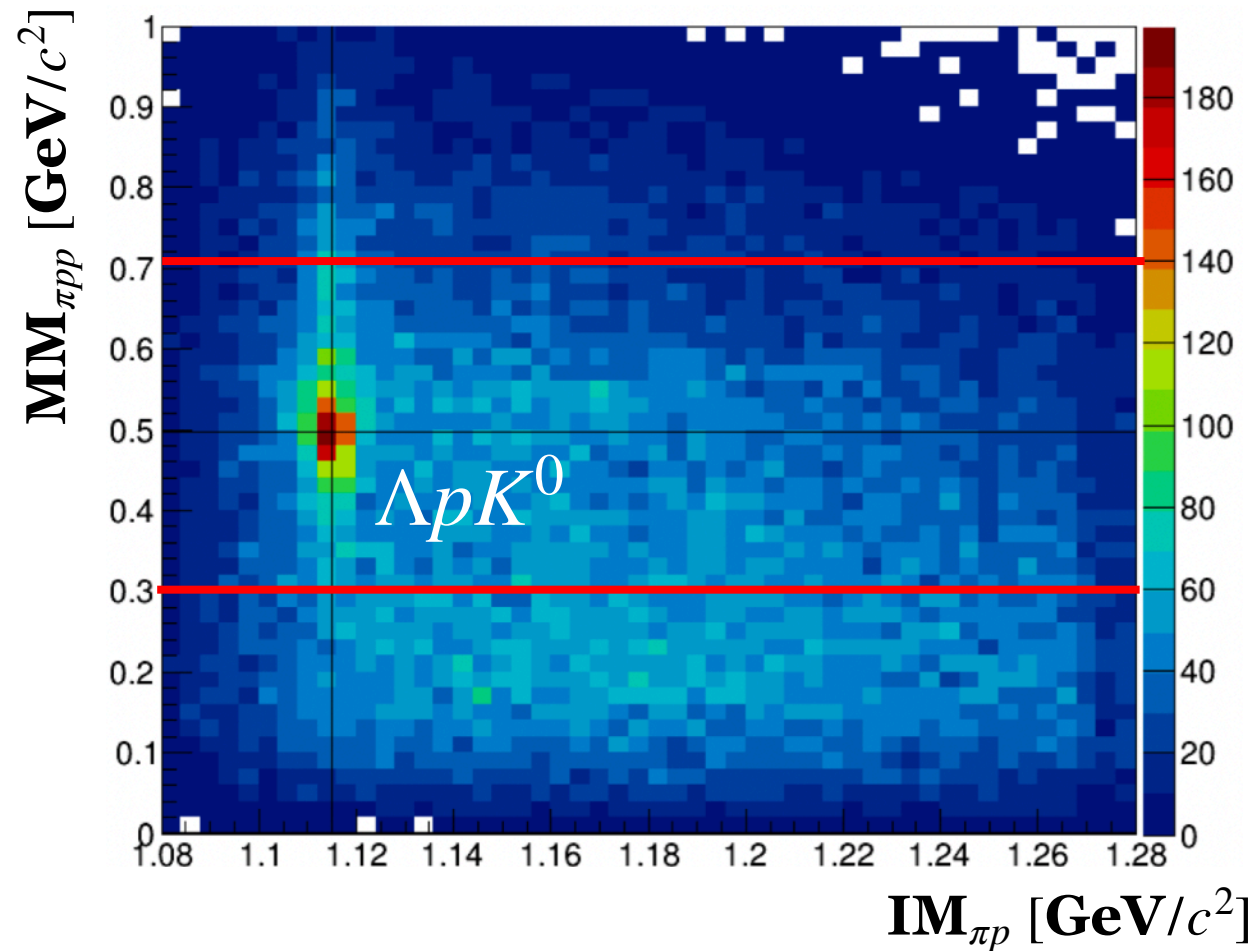
Time Of Flight



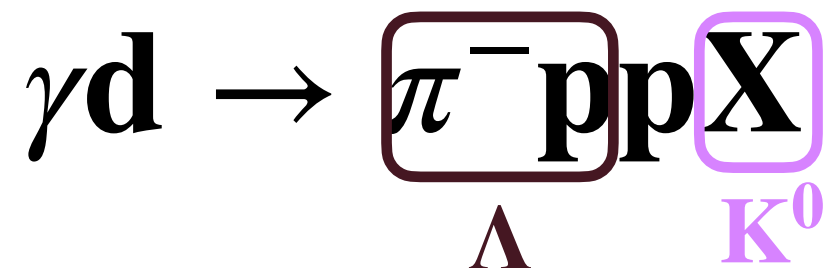
LD₂ Data Analysis



Select the events that has three tracks
(2p, π^-) in sideways region($\theta_{Lab} > 40^\circ$)



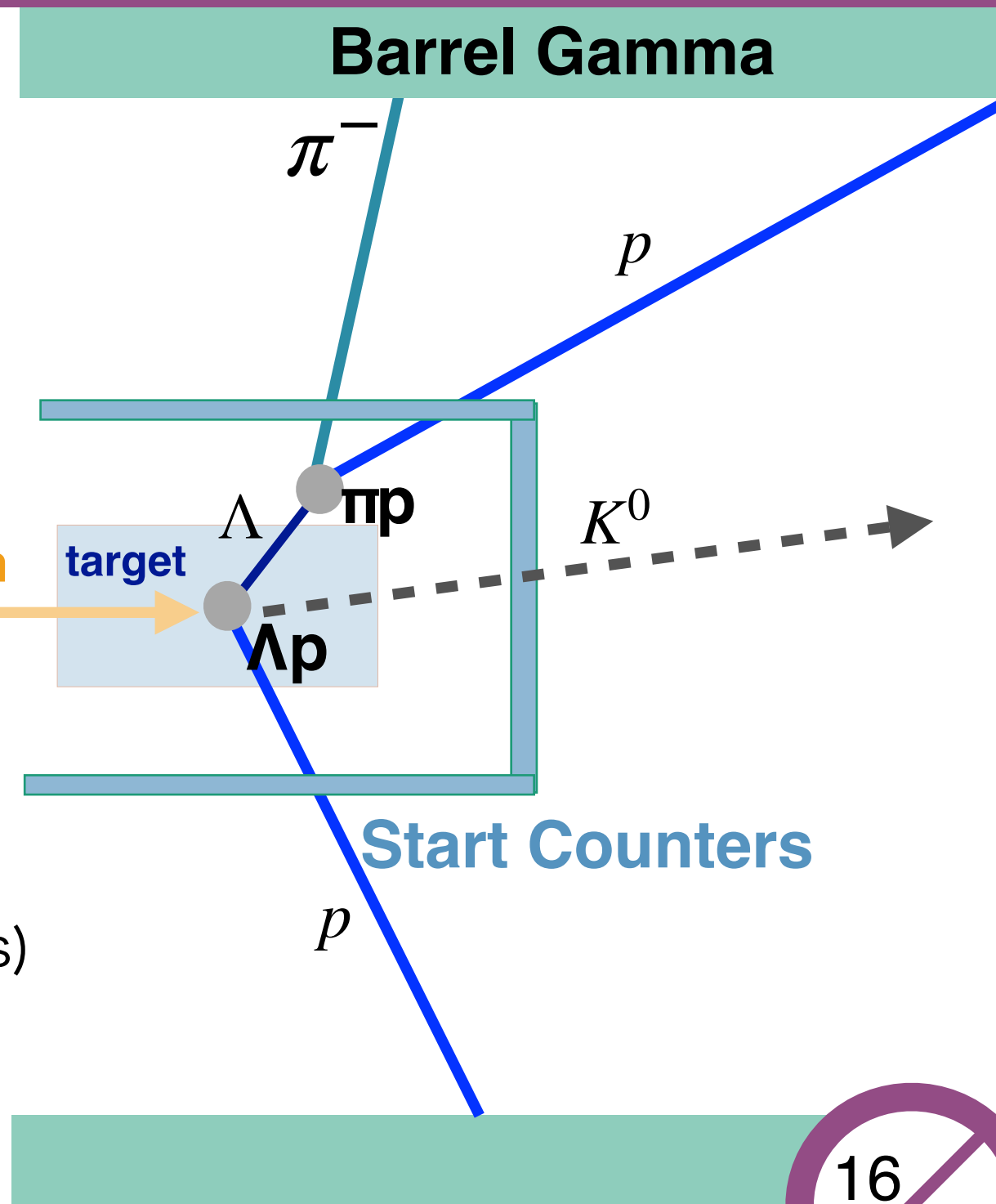
Selection of the $\Lambda p K^0$ Events



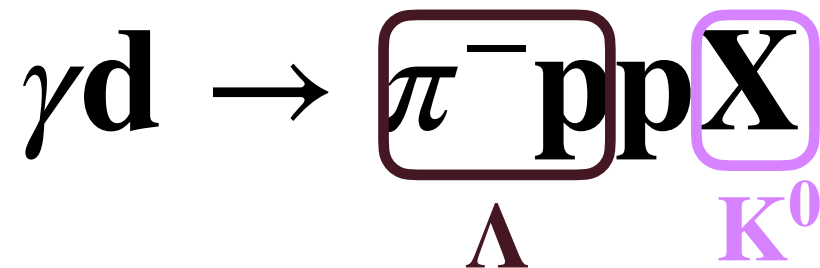
To eliminate background events

- **Vertex information** ($\pi^- p$, Λp)
(Λ flight length > 18 [mm])
- **Barrel Gamma information**
(remove γ tracks events)
- **Forward Start Counter information**
(remove forward charged particles events)

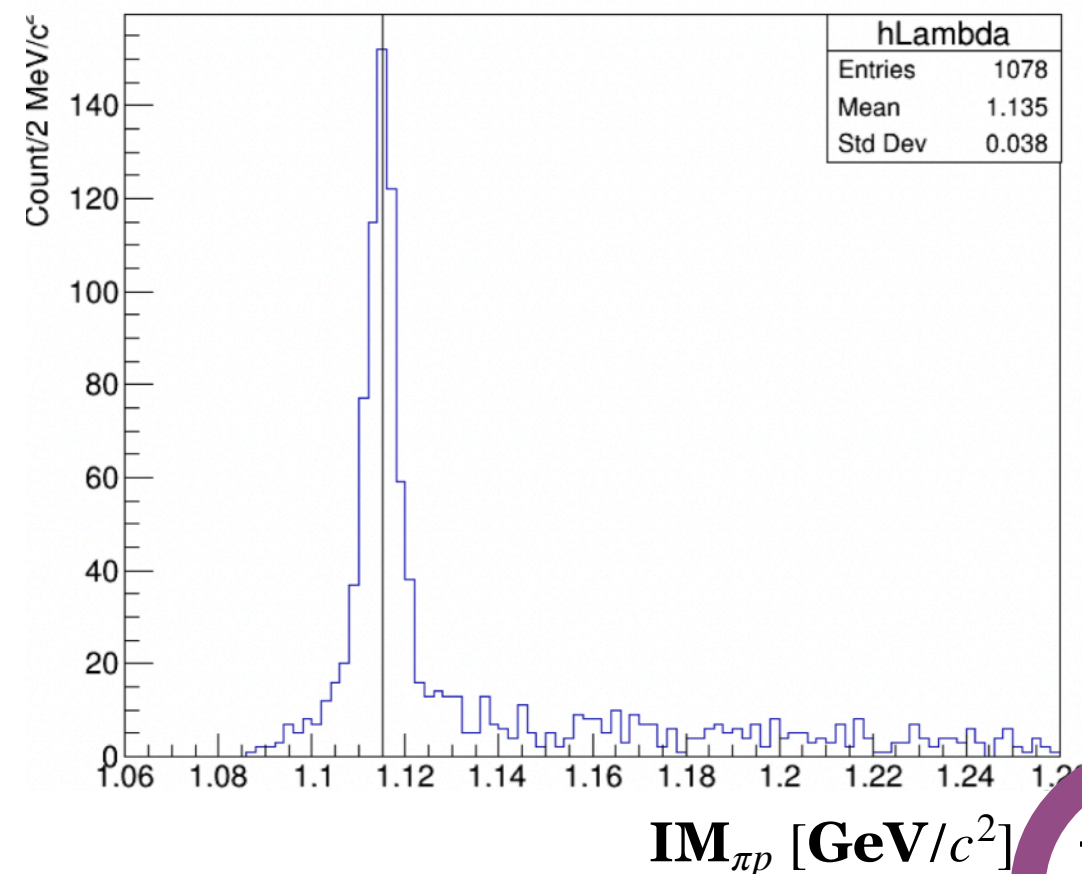
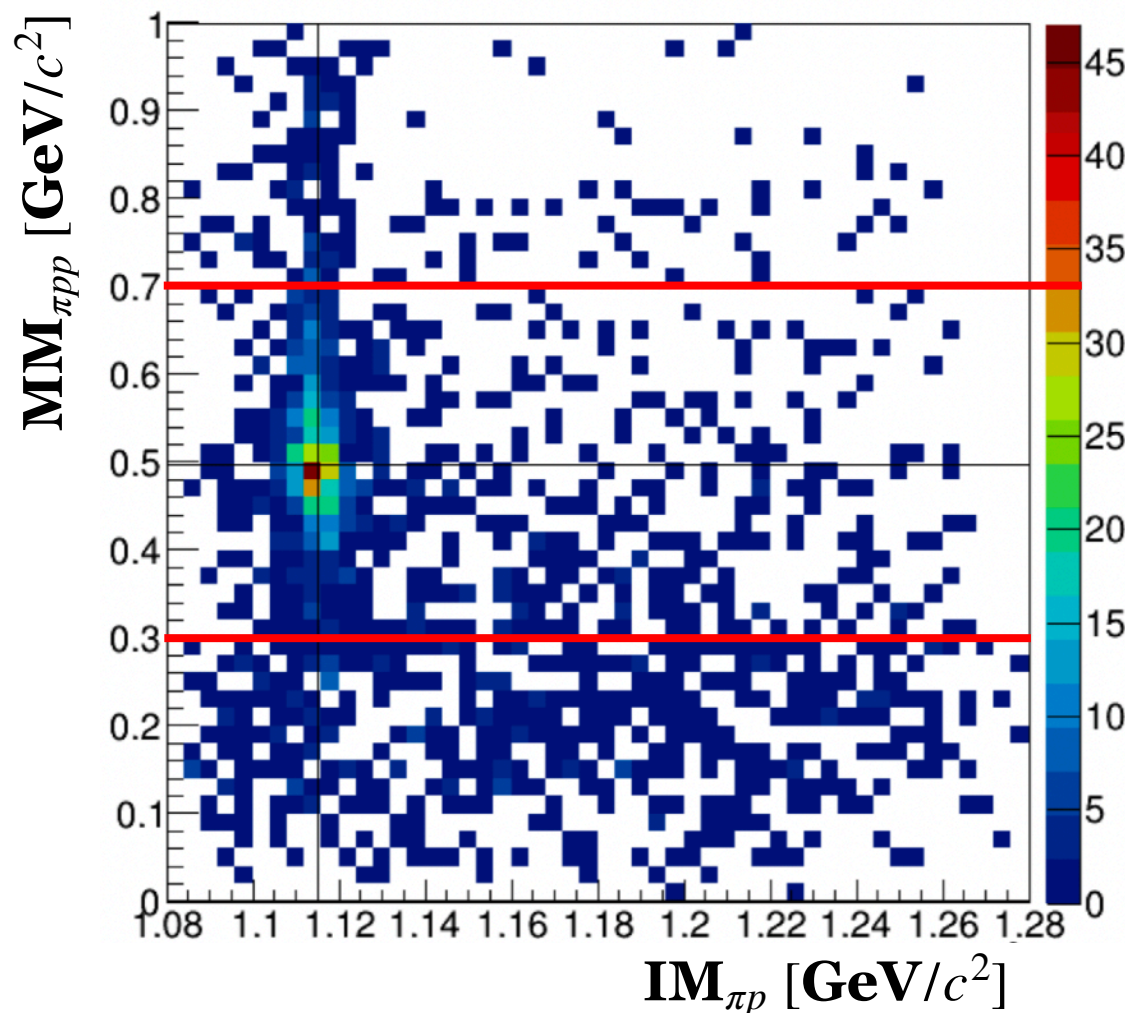
Gamma Beam



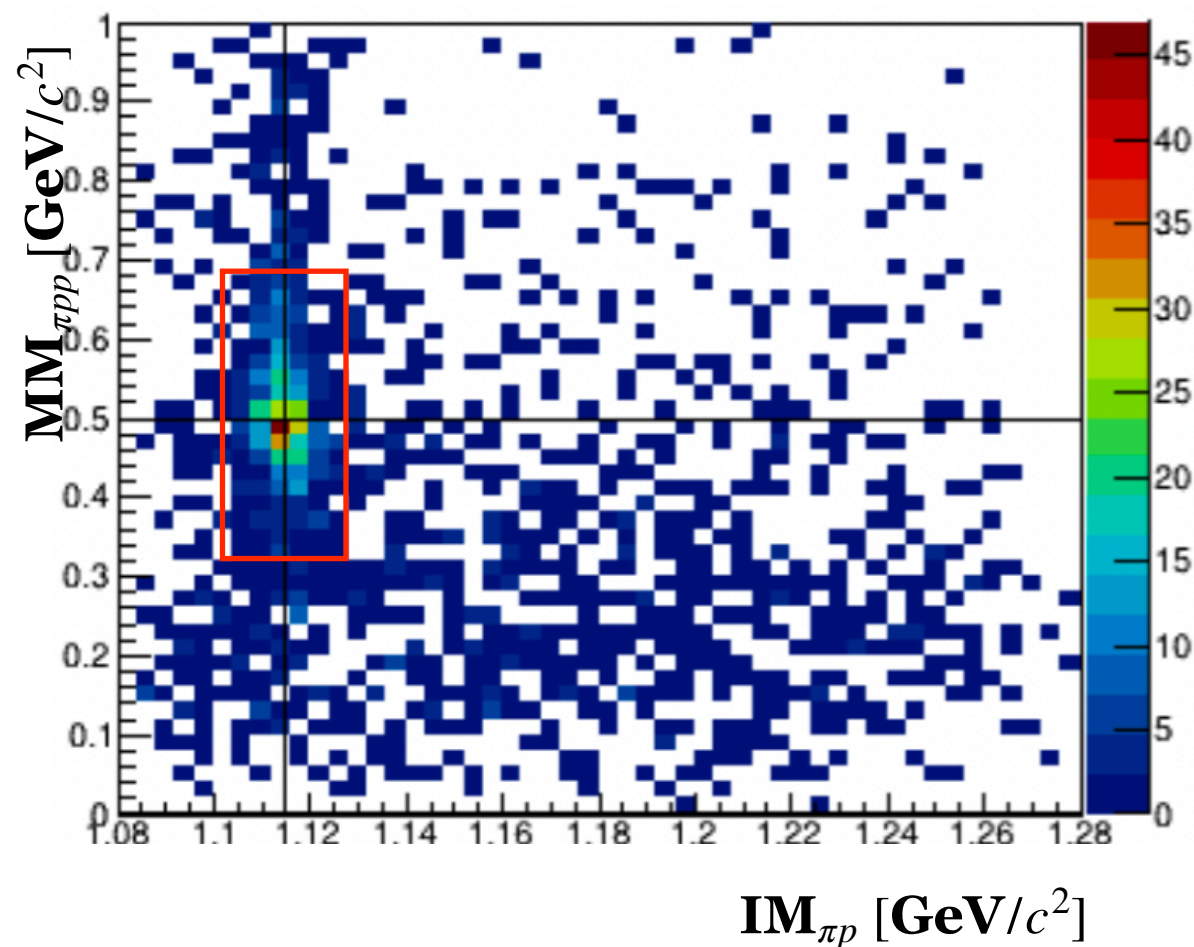
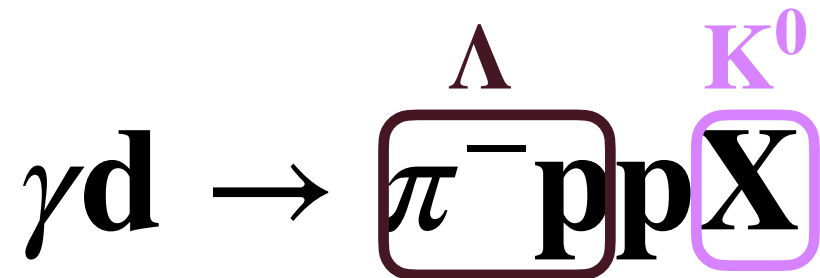
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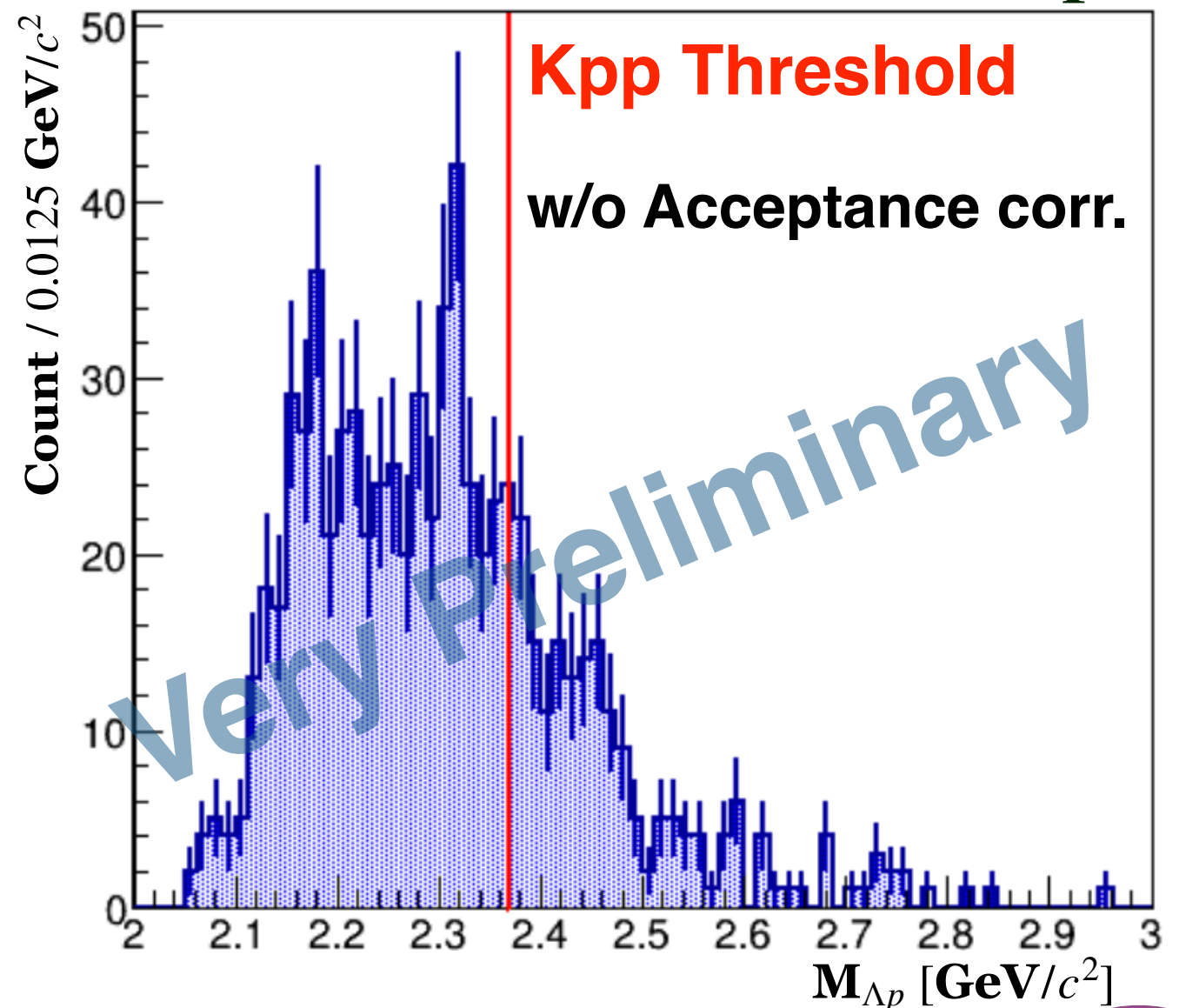
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The Invariant Mass of Λp in $\gamma d \rightarrow \Lambda p K^0$



The Invariant Mass of Λp



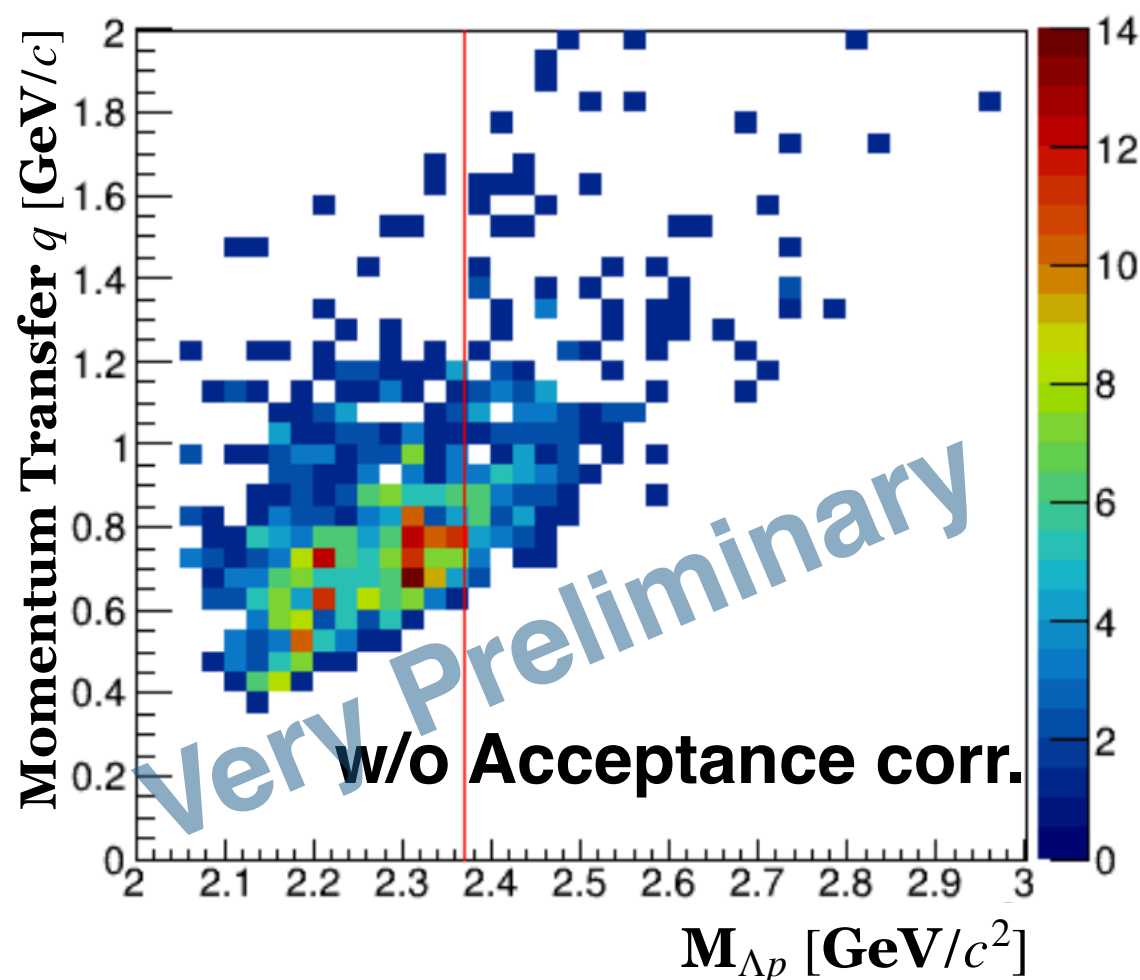
Momentum Transfer Distribution

$$d(\gamma, \Lambda p)K^0$$

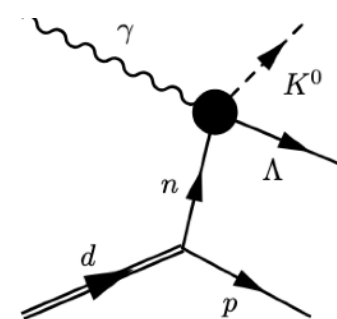
$$P_\gamma = 1.3 - 2.4 \text{ GeV}/c$$

Detected Λ and proton

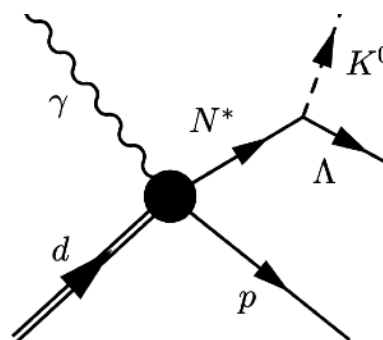
in sideway region.



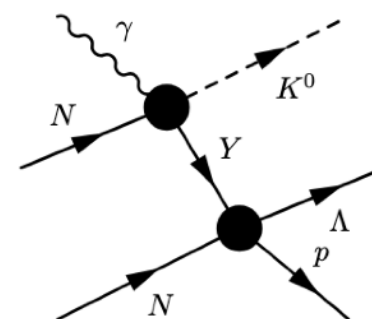
spectator proton



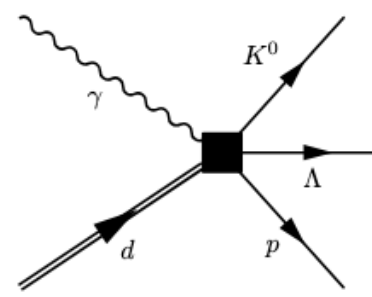
N^*



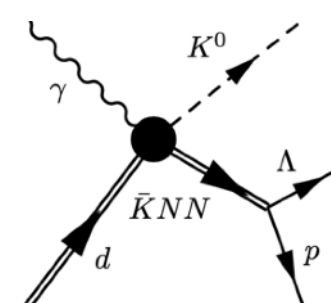
Two step



Non Resonance



Signal



Summary

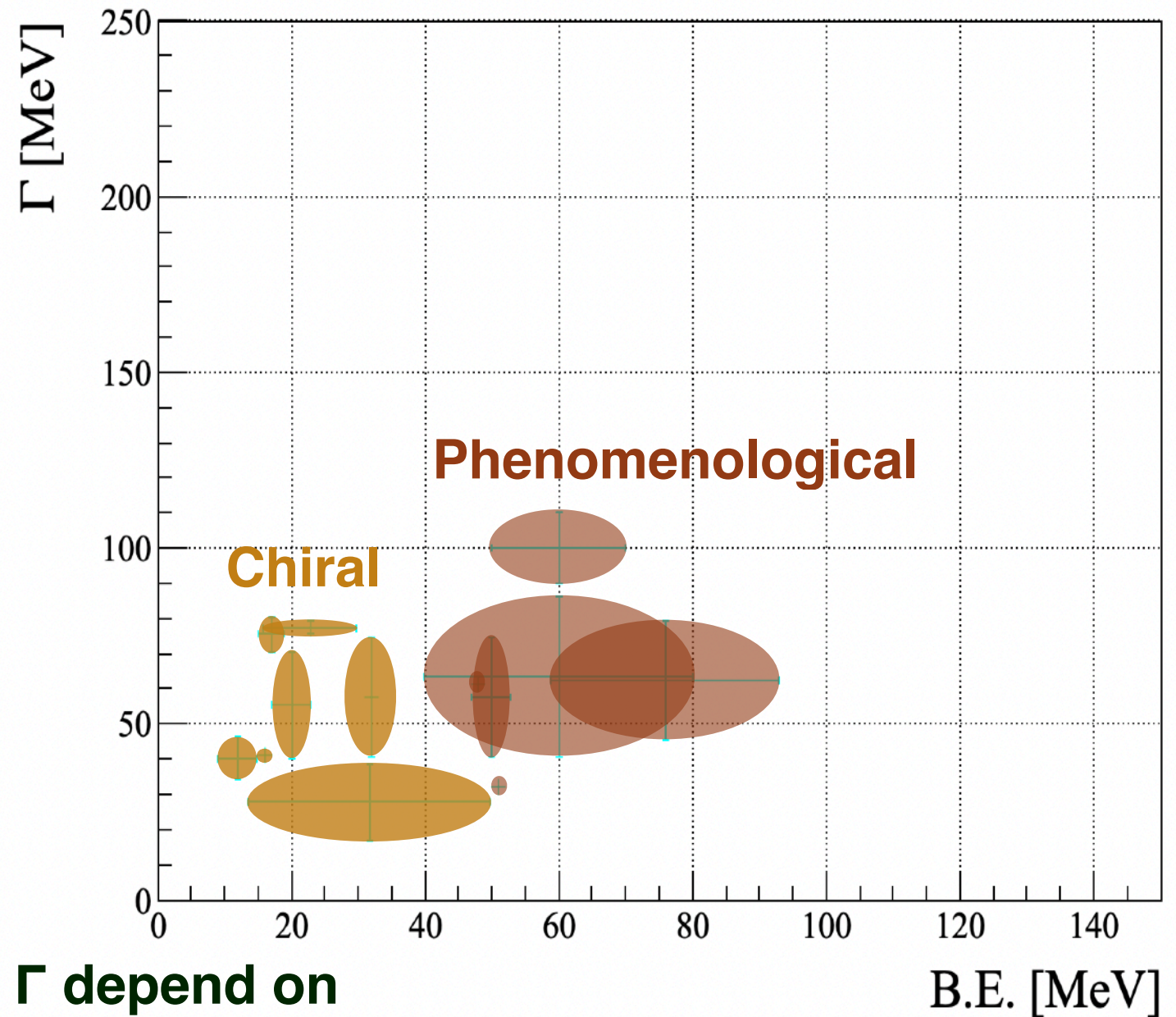
- ▶ We search for the $\bar{K}NN$ state in photoproduction.
- ▶ Large-acceptance LEPS2 solenoid spectrometer is best suited for the $\bar{K}NN$ search with the detection of all decay particles, such as Λp .
- ▶ We collected the physics data with LH_2 and LD_2 target.
- ▶ We can select the $\gamma d \rightarrow \Lambda p K^0$ events
- ▶ **A concentration of events is observed below the mass threshold of K -pp**
- ▶ **We plan to open the final results after verifying the photon beam and momentum measurement, studying background reactions, and optimizing the background reduction criteria.**

Back Up

Theoretical prediction of $\bar{K}NN$ state

Work	B [MeV]	Γ [MeV]	Method	Type of potential
Barnea et al. [106]	16	41	Variational	chiral
Dote et al. [107]	17-23	40-70	Variational	chiral
Dote et al. [108]	14-50	16-38	ccCSM	chiral
Ikeda et al. [109]	9-16	34-46	Faddeev	chiral
Bayar et al. [110]	15-30	75-80	Faddeev	chiral
Sekihara et al. [111]	15-20	70-80	Faddeev	chiral
Yamazaki et al. [112]	48	61	Variational	phenomenological
Shevchenko et al. [113]	50-70	90-110	Faddeev	phenomenological
Ikeda et al. [114]	60-95	45-80	Faddeev	phenomenological
Wycech et al. [115]	40-80	40-85	Variational	phenomenological
Dote et al. [116]	51	32	ccCSM	phenomenological
Revai et al. [117]	32/ 47-54	50-65	Faddeev	chiral/phenomenological

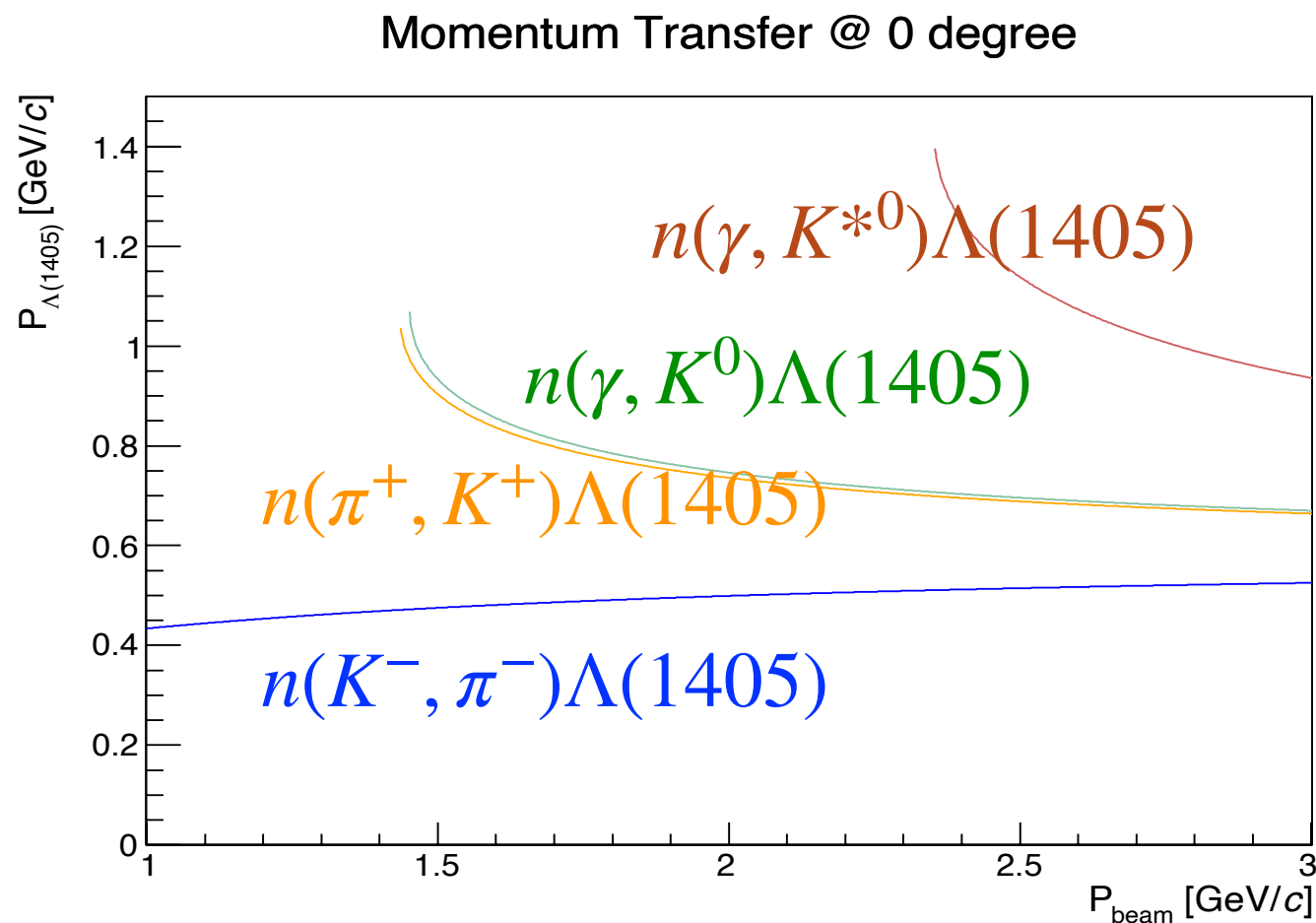
Laura Tolos and Laura Fabbietti,
arXiv:2002.09223v1 (2020)



Theoretical prediction of B.E. and Γ depend on
the $\bar{K}N$ interaction and theoretical framework.

Study of $\bar{K}NN$ with various beams

$\bar{K}NN$ state is produced
from the $\Lambda(1405)$ doorway process



The momentum transfer of $n(\gamma, K^0)\Lambda(1405)$
is similar to that of $n(\pi^+, K^+)\Lambda(1405)$

LEPS2

$d(\gamma, \Lambda p)K^0$

$$P_\gamma = 1.3 - 2.4 \text{ GeV}/c$$

Detected Λ and proton

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$d(\pi^+, K^+)Yp$

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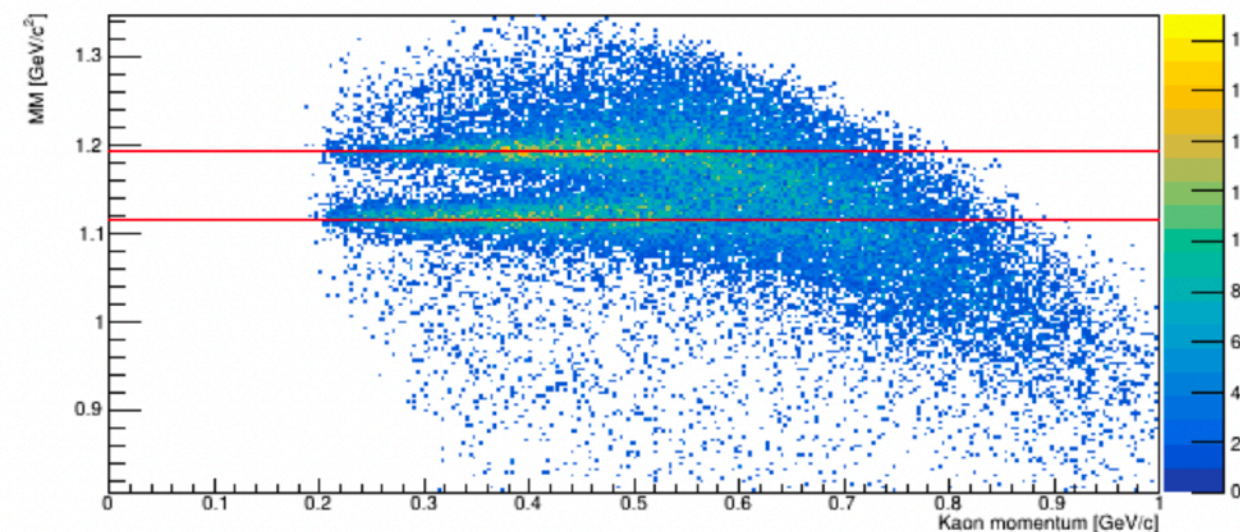
Tagged 2 protons

LH₂ Data Analysis

Detected by TPC & BRPC

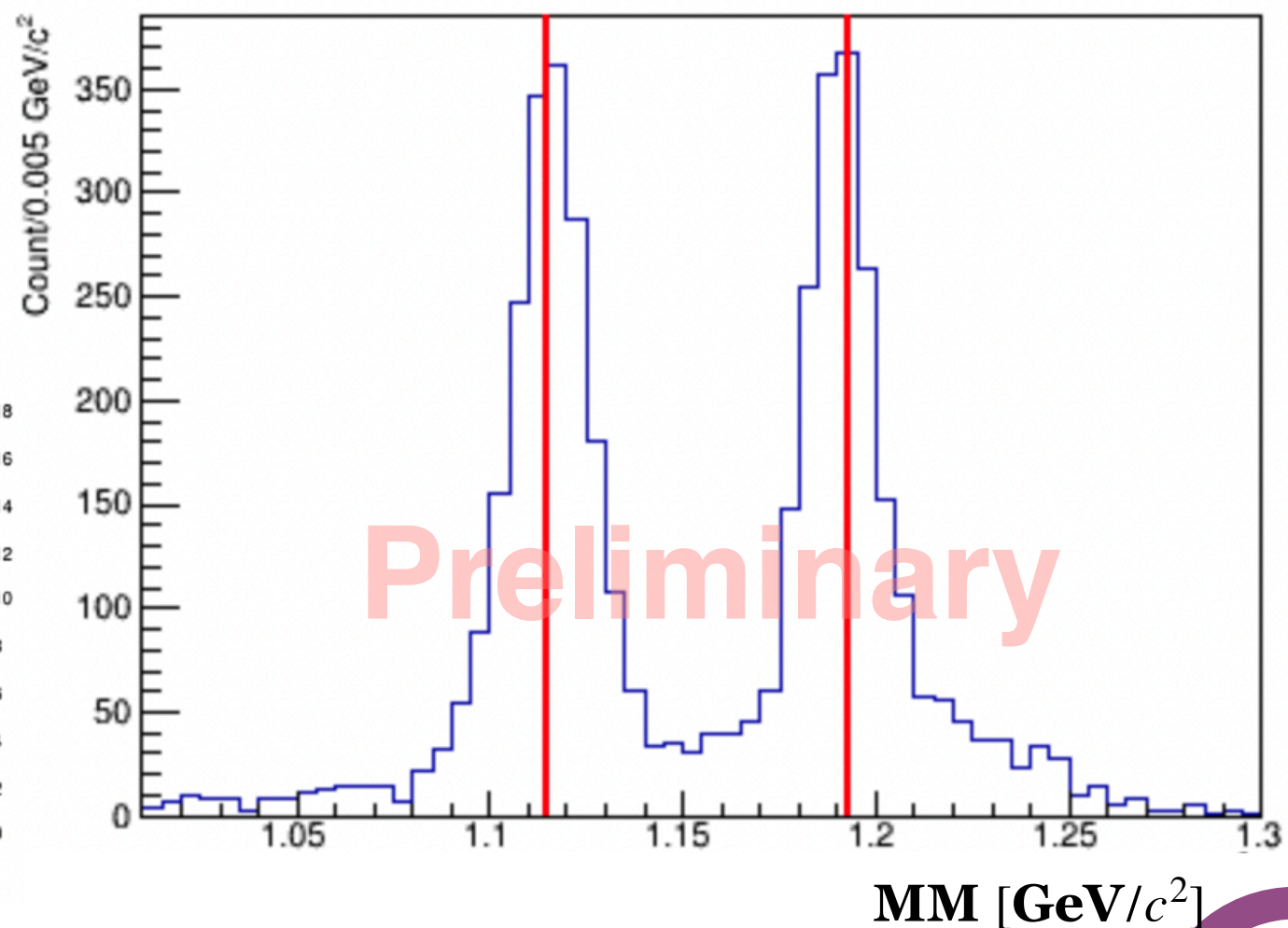
$$\gamma p \rightarrow \boxed{K^+} X$$

$E_g < 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c$

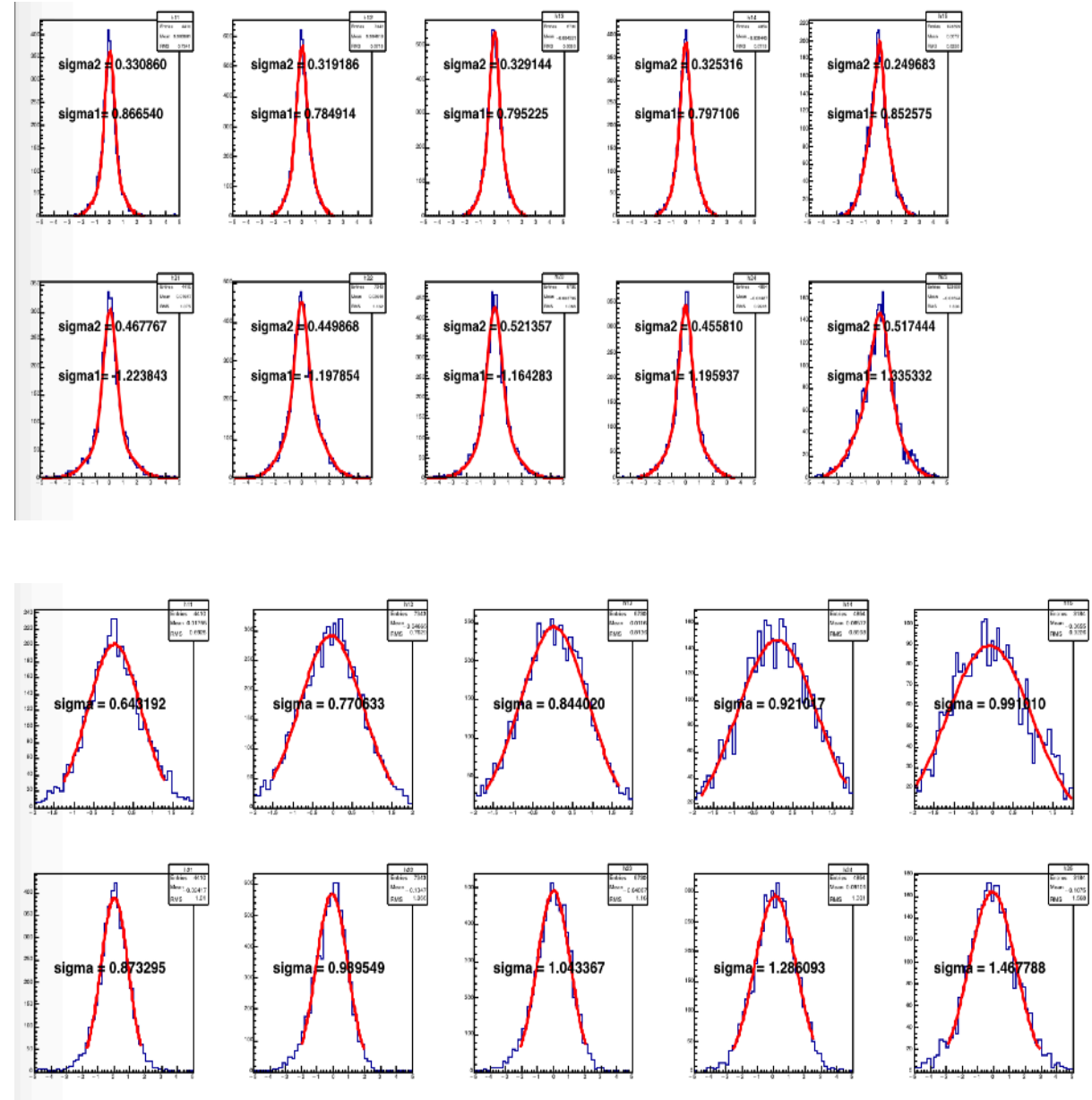
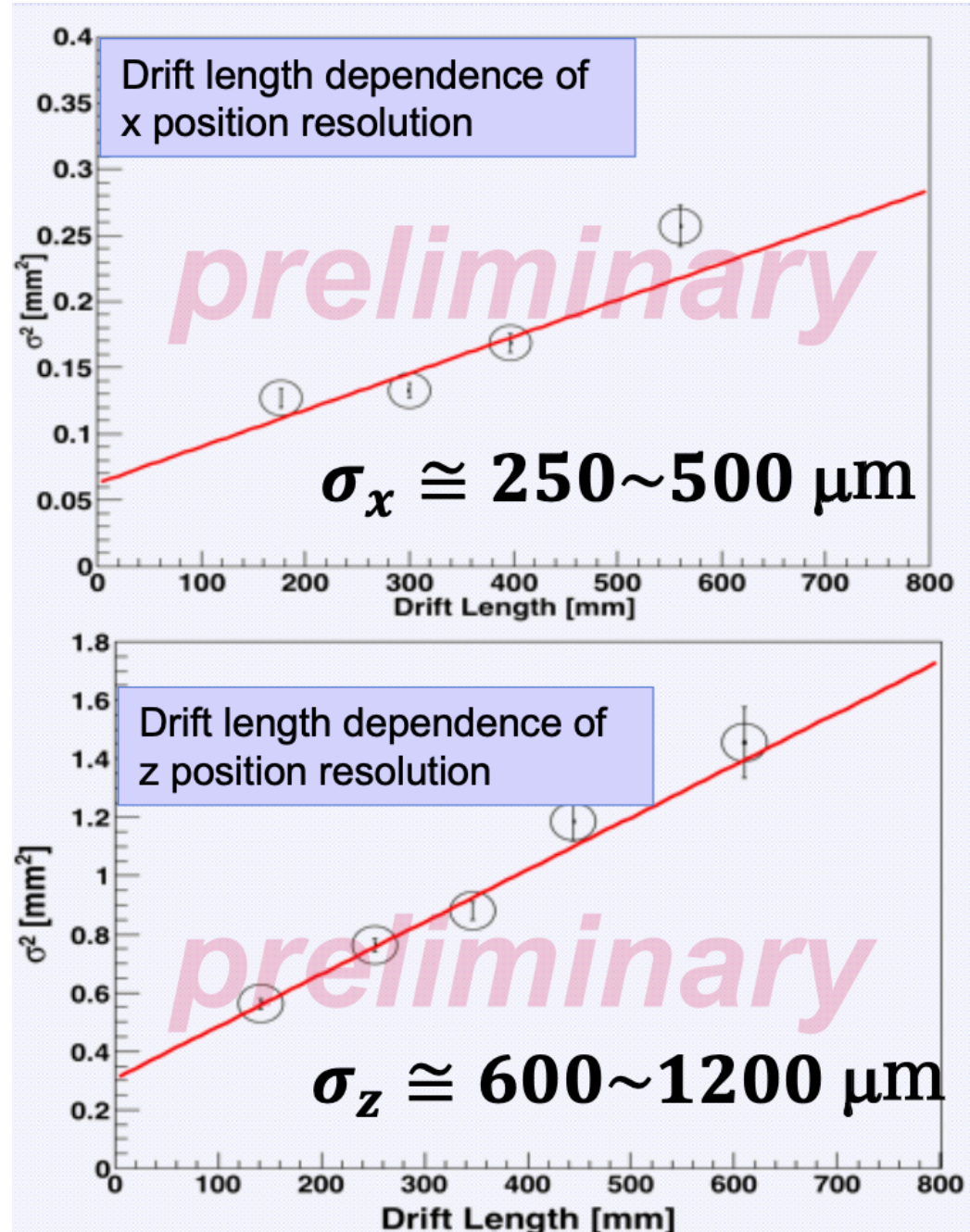


$\text{Mom} < 0.4 \text{ GeV}/c$

Λ Σ^0

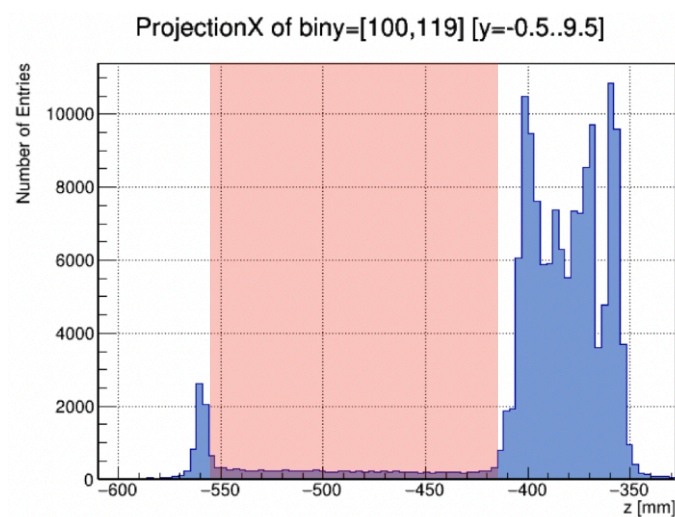
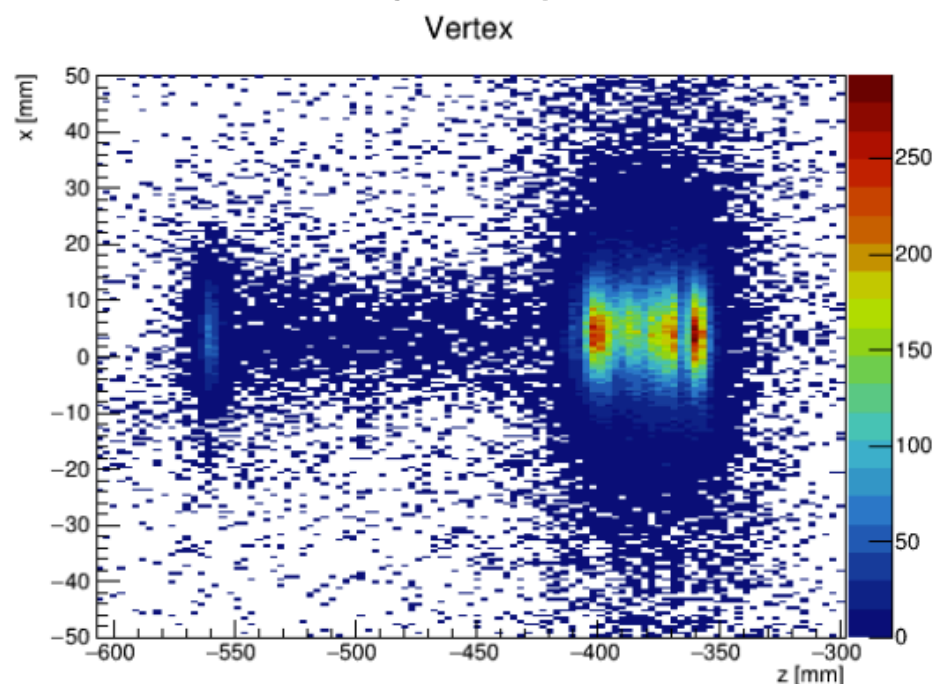


The Performance of LEPS2TPC

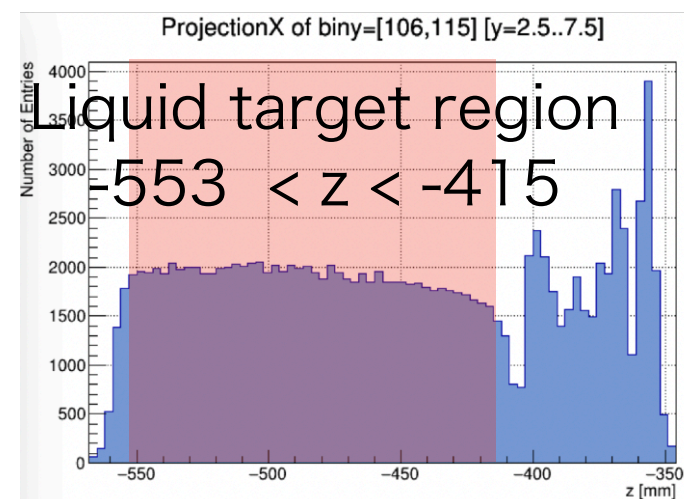
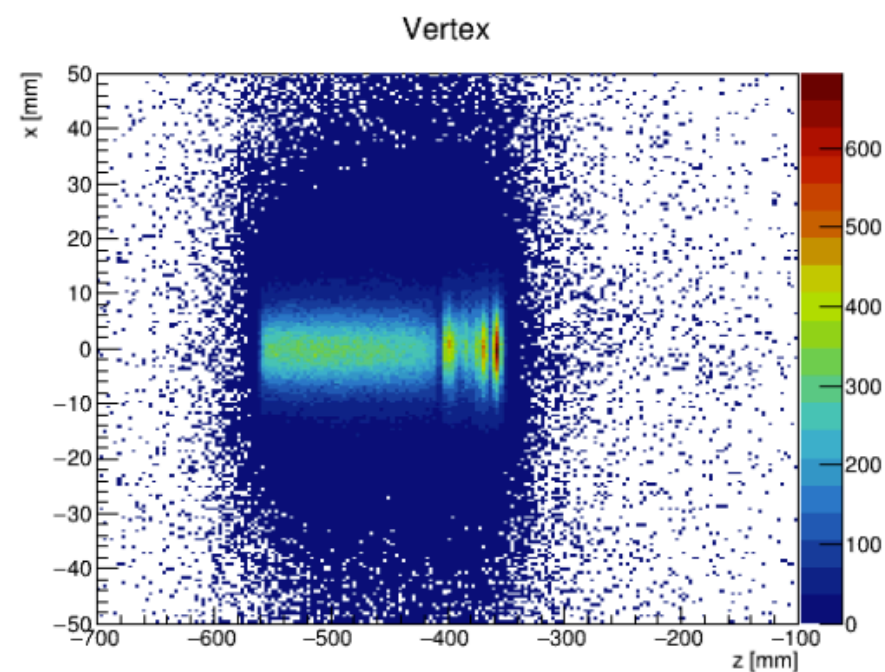


Two tracks vertex

Empty target



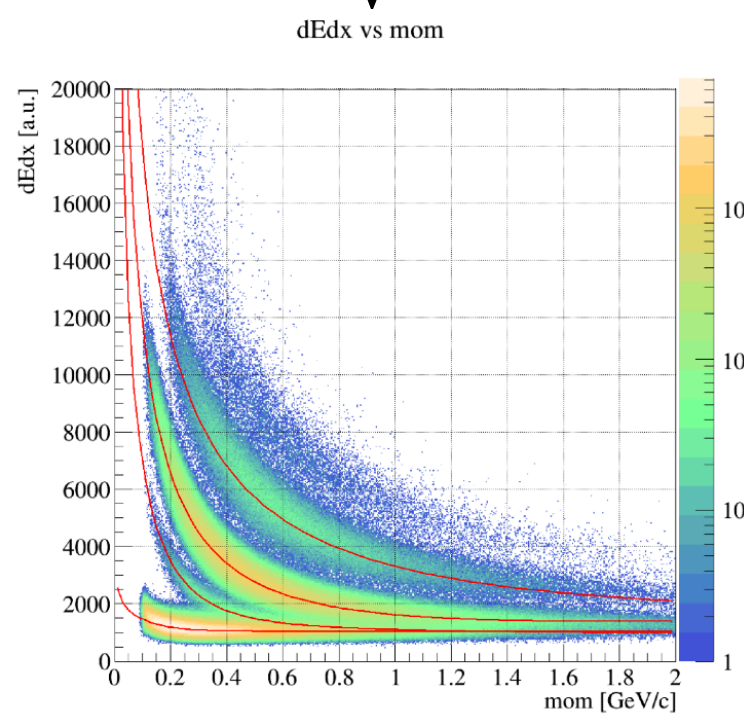
LH2 target



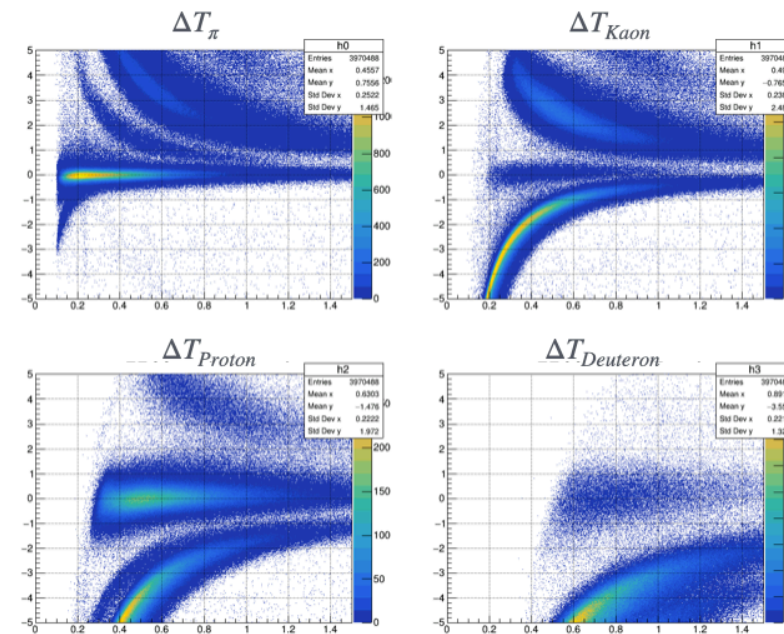
Particle Identification

$$L_{TPC}(dEdx | H_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp \left(-\frac{(dEdx - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right)$$

dEdx vs mom



$$L_{ToF}(ToF | H_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp \left(-\frac{(\delta_{tof})^2}{2\sigma^2} \right)$$



$$P(S | H_i) = \prod_{detectors} L_{detector}(S | H_i)$$

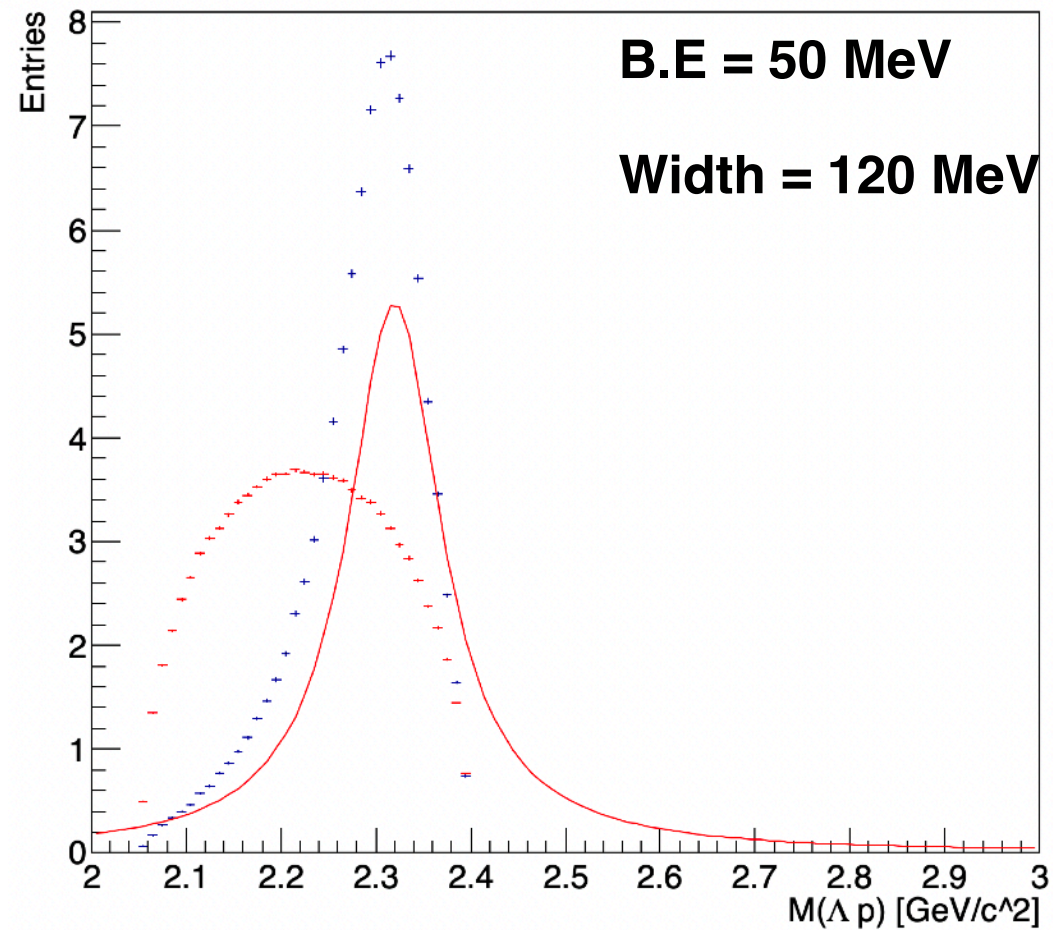
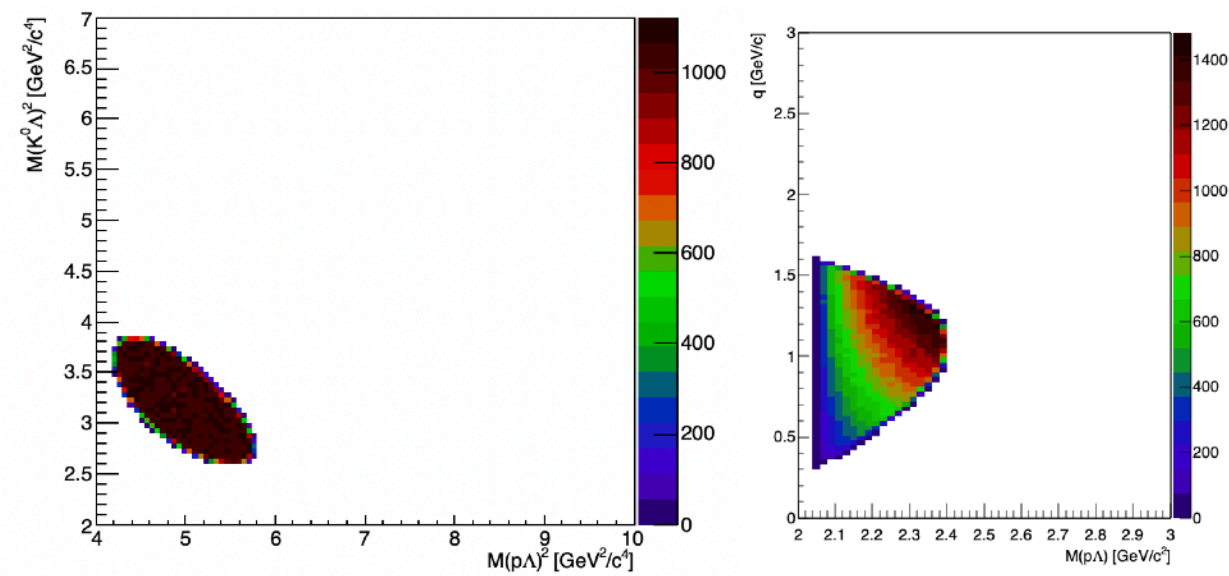
$$P(H_i) = \frac{P(S | H_i)}{\sum_{k=\pi,k,p,d} P(S | H_k)}$$

$$N\sigma_{tof} = \Delta T / \sigma_{tof}$$

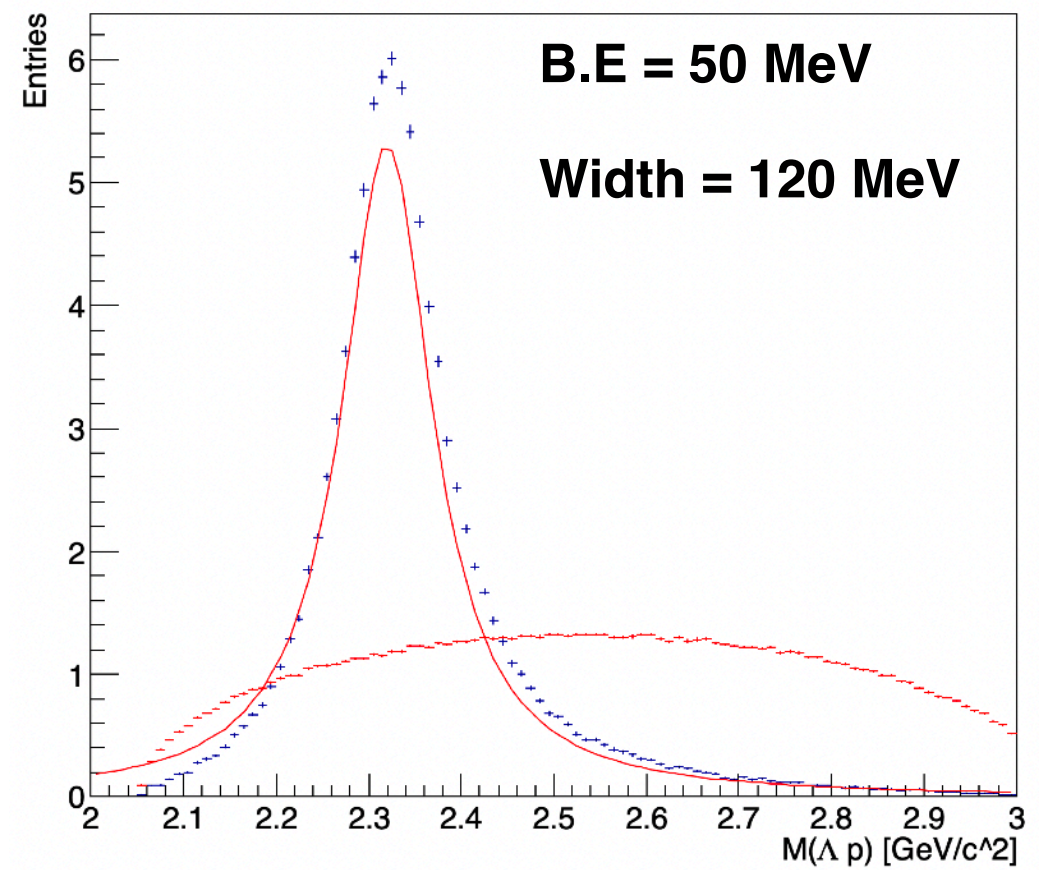
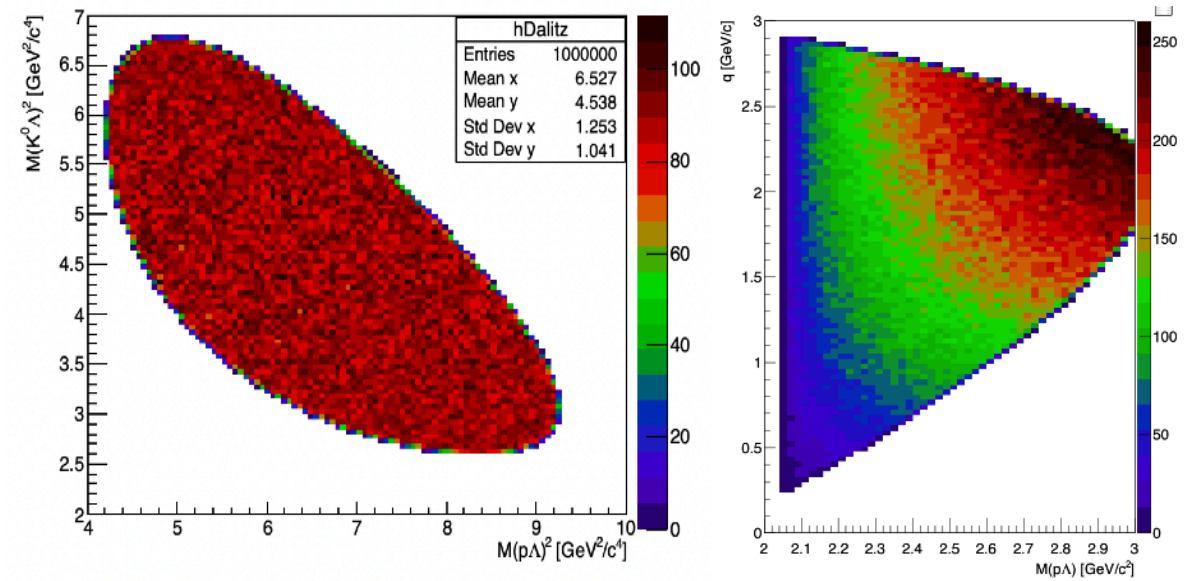
$$N\sigma_{tpc} = \Delta dEdx / \sigma_{dEdx}$$

Toy MC

$E_g = 1.3$

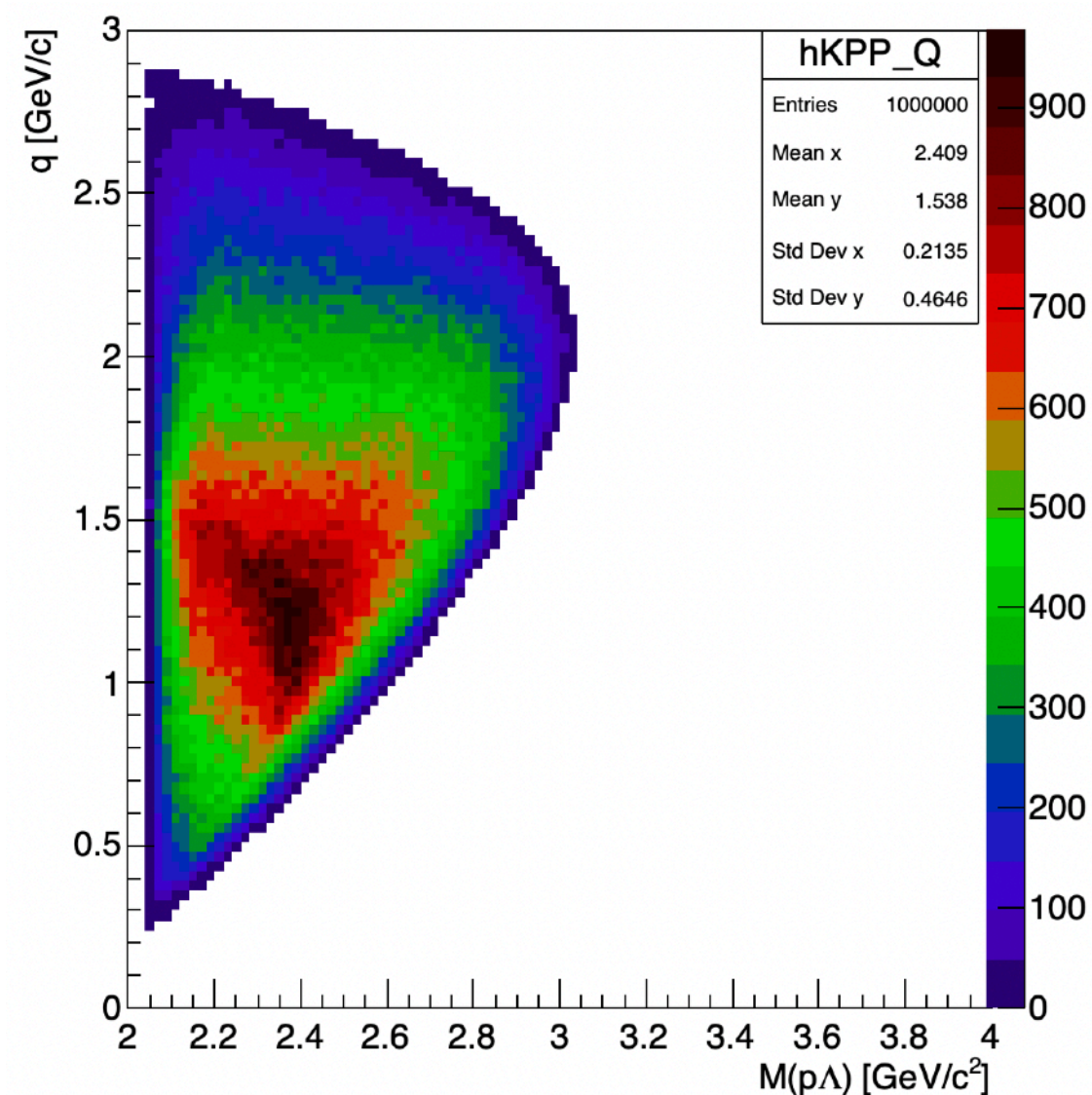
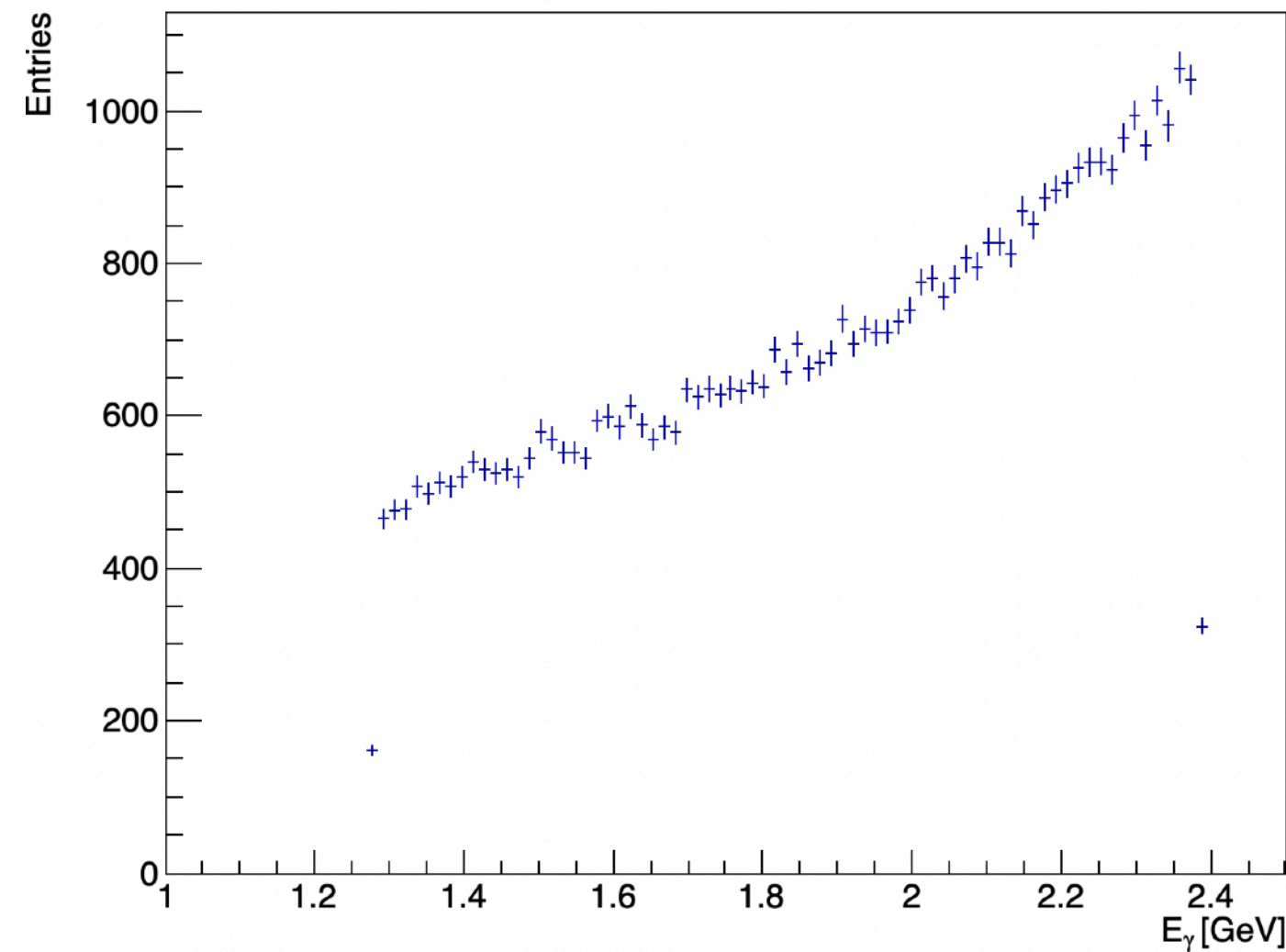


$E_g = 2.4$

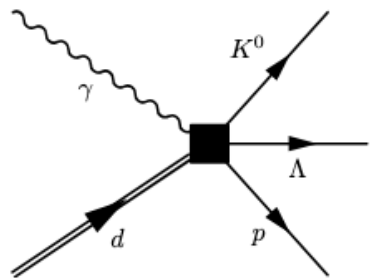


Toy MC

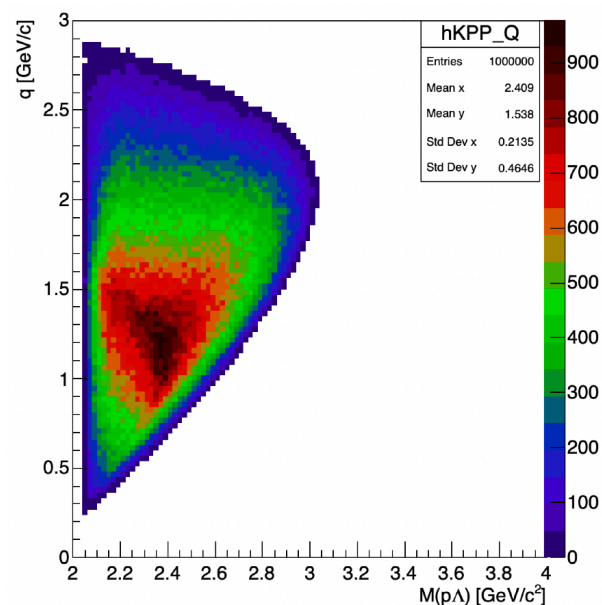
using continuous photon beam



Toy MC



all Eg



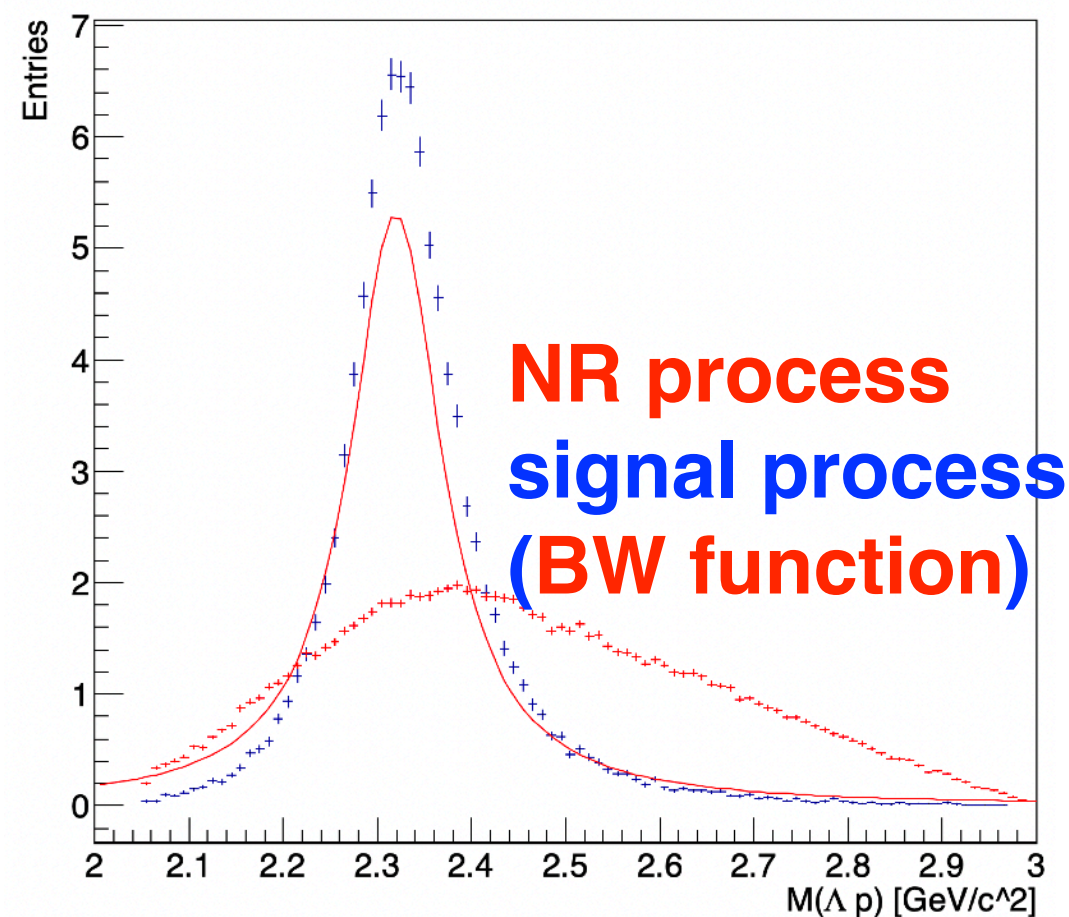
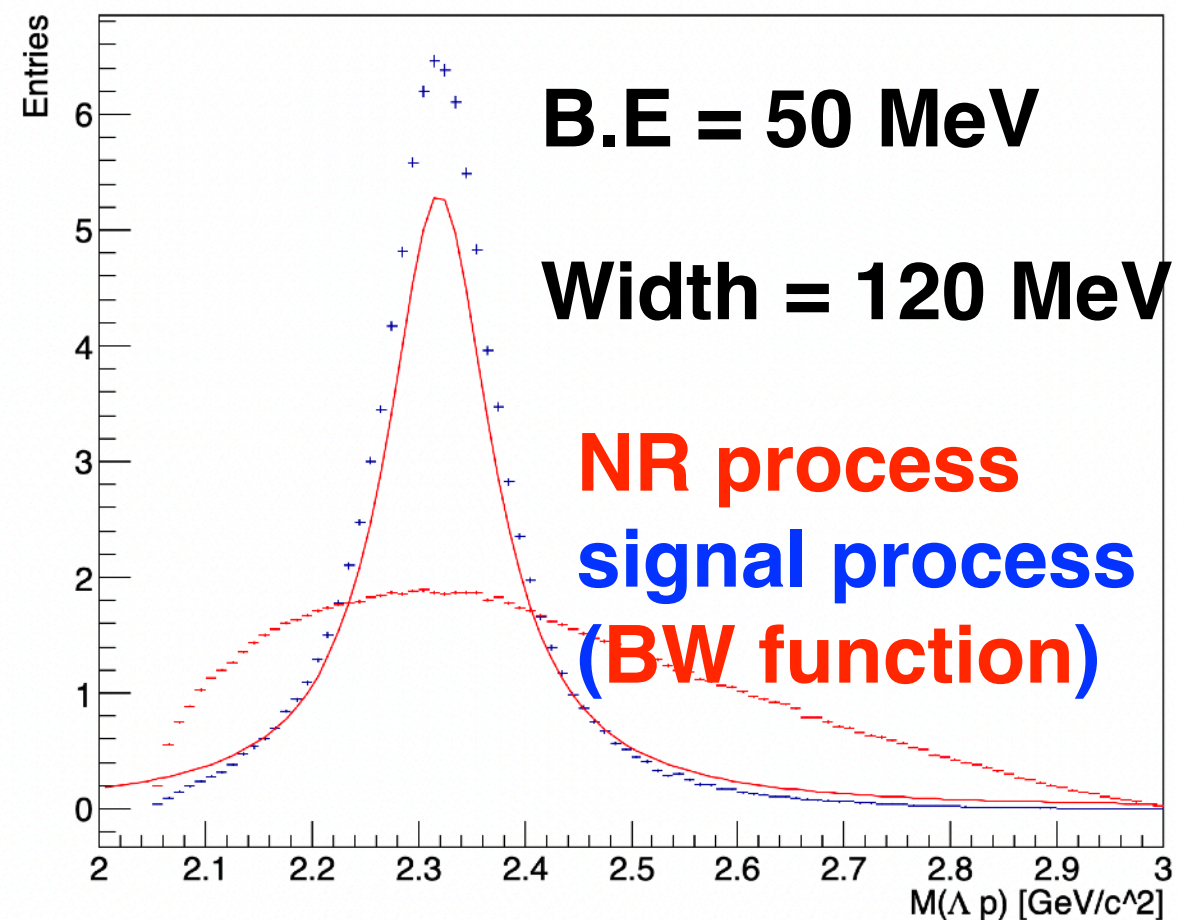
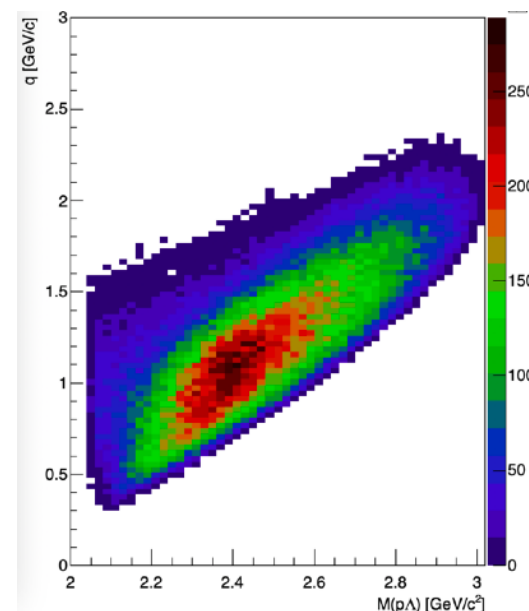
Detected in side region

proton $40^\circ \sim 110^\circ$

Lambda $40^\circ \sim 110^\circ$

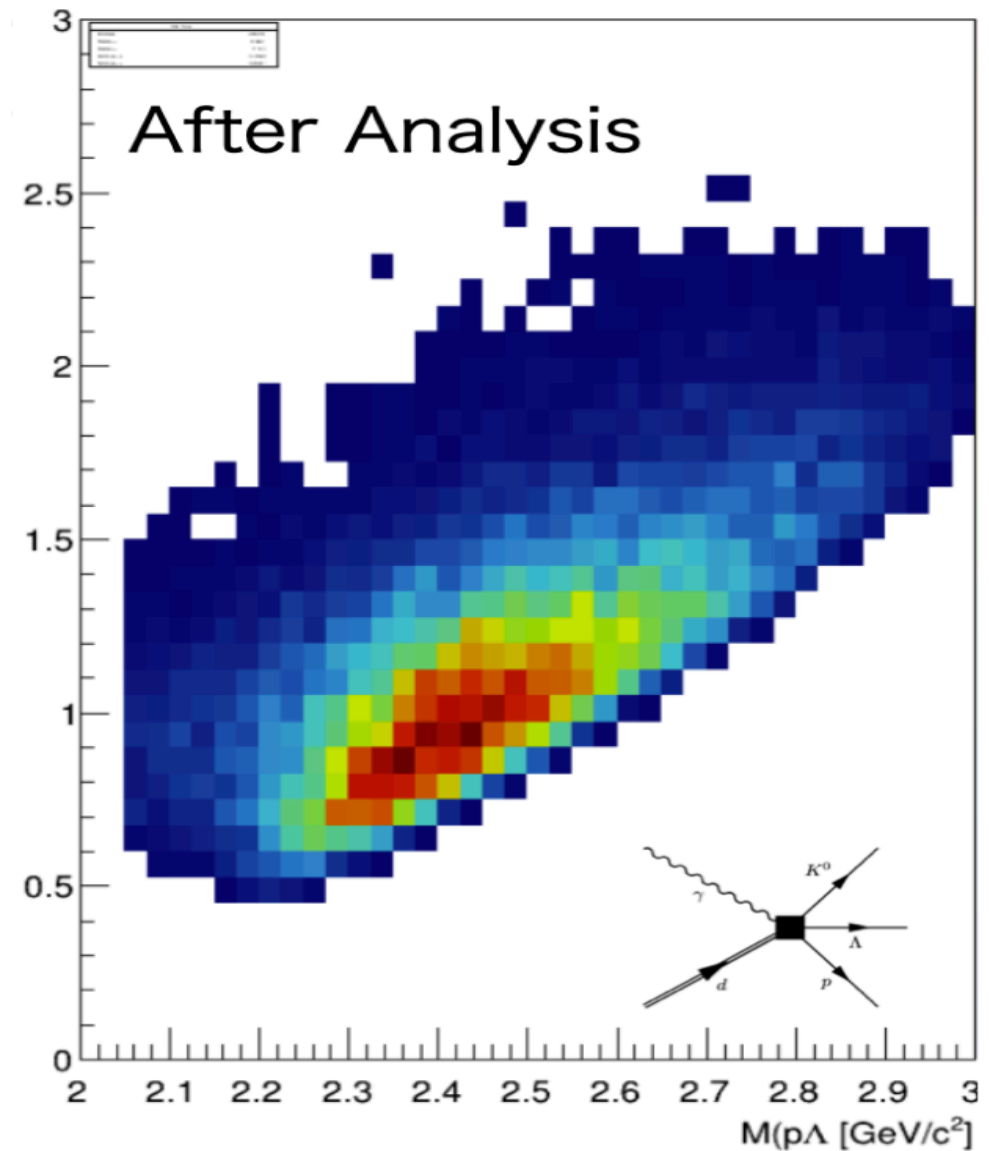
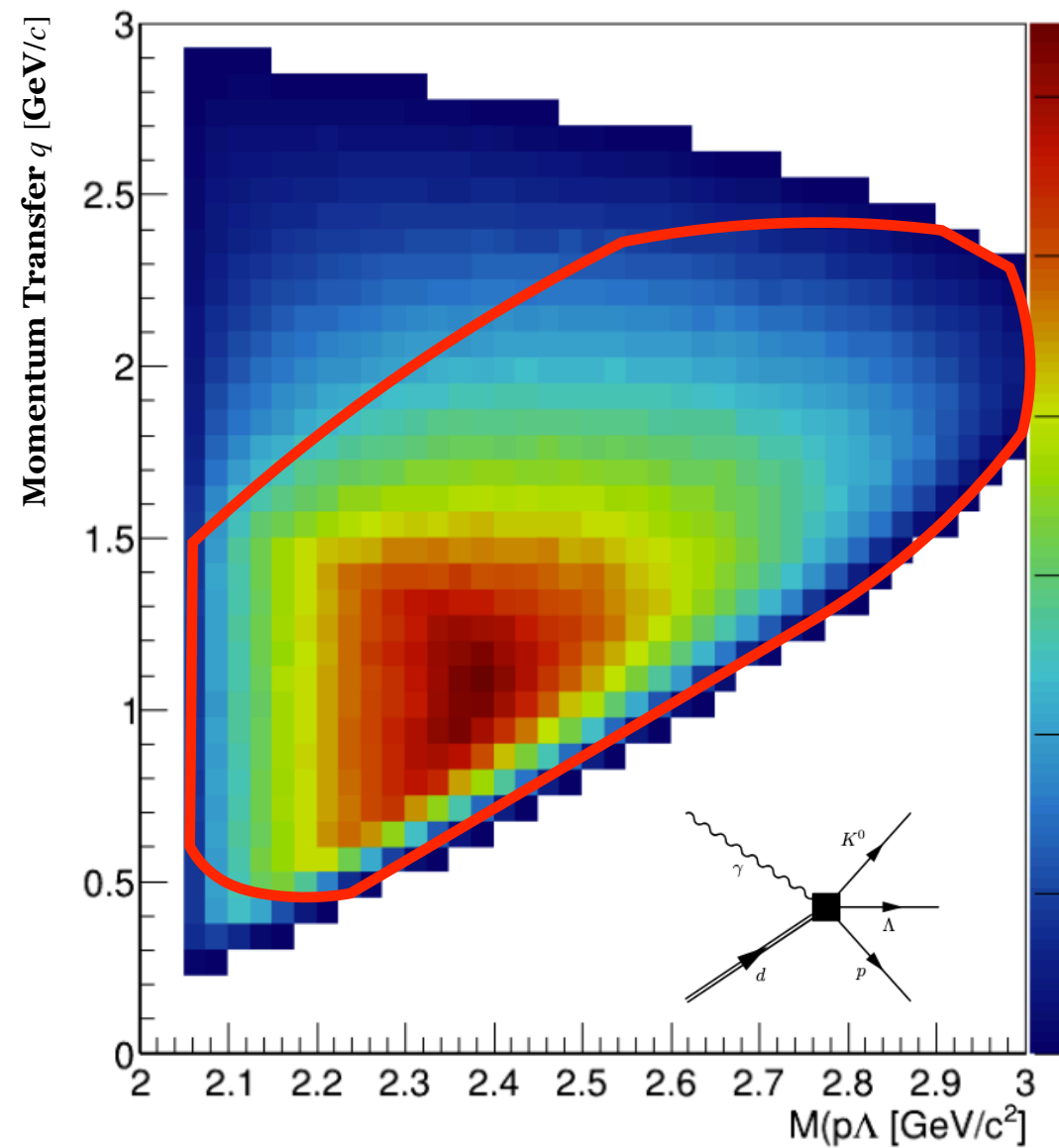
Mom_p > 0.2 GeV/c

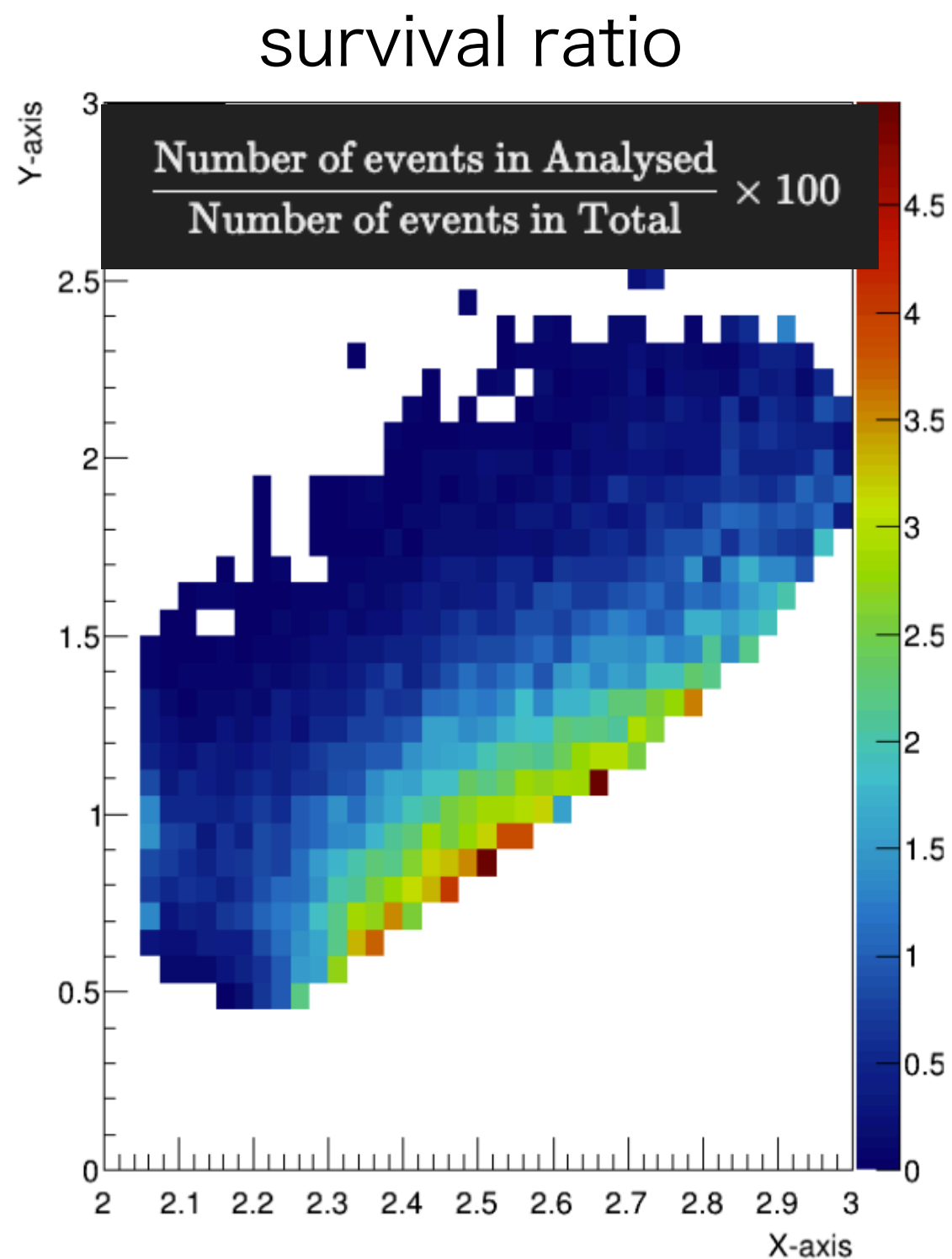
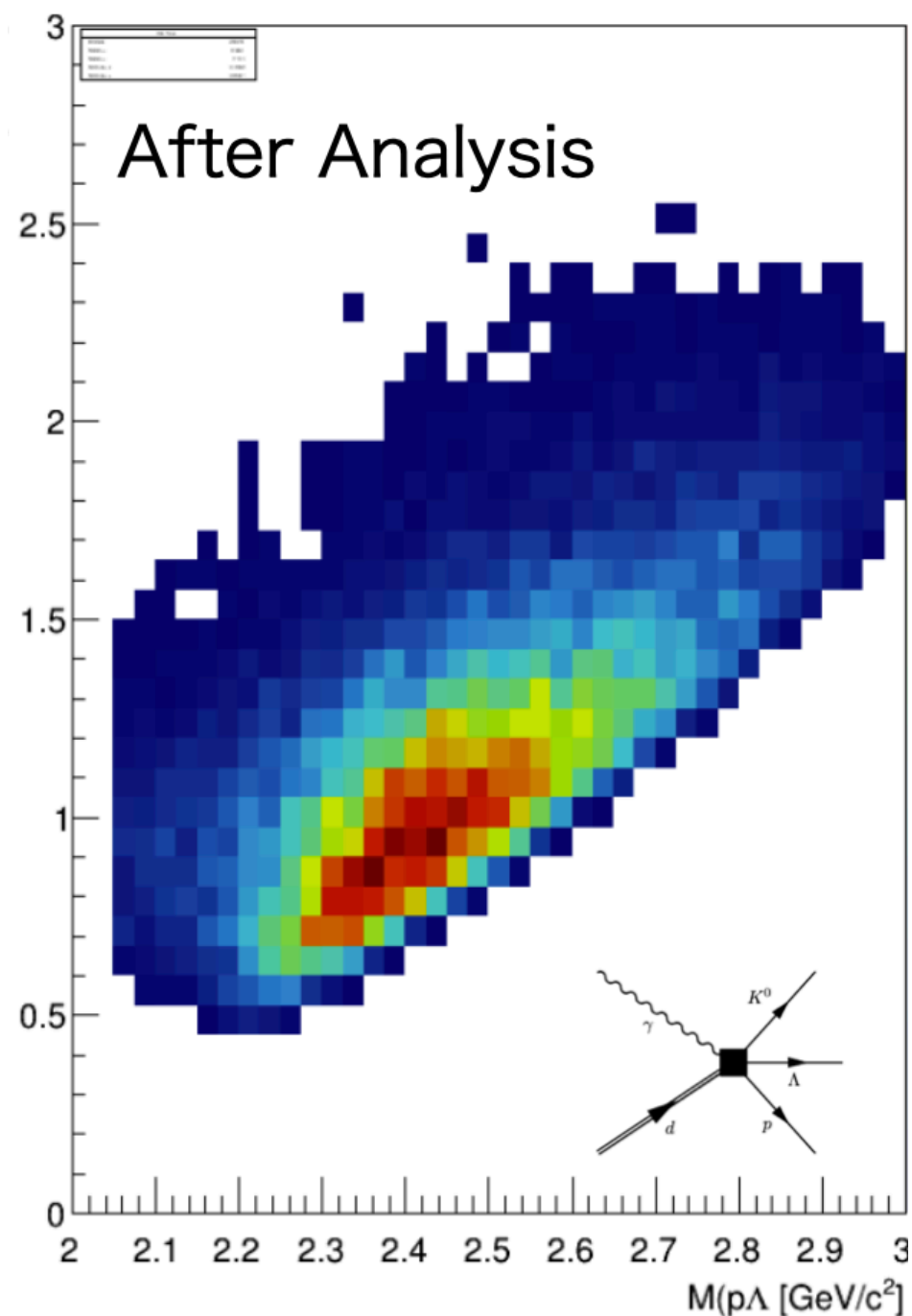
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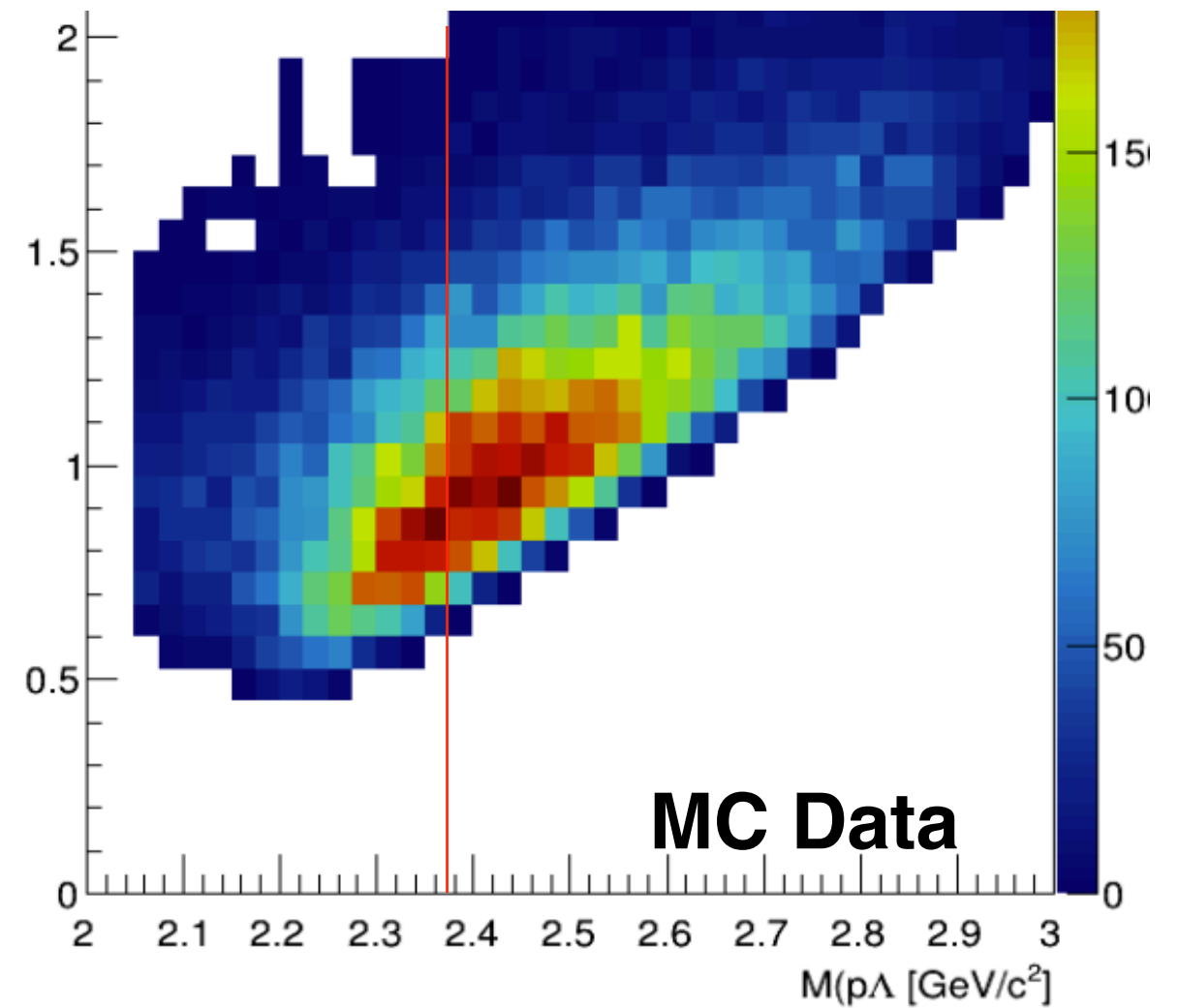
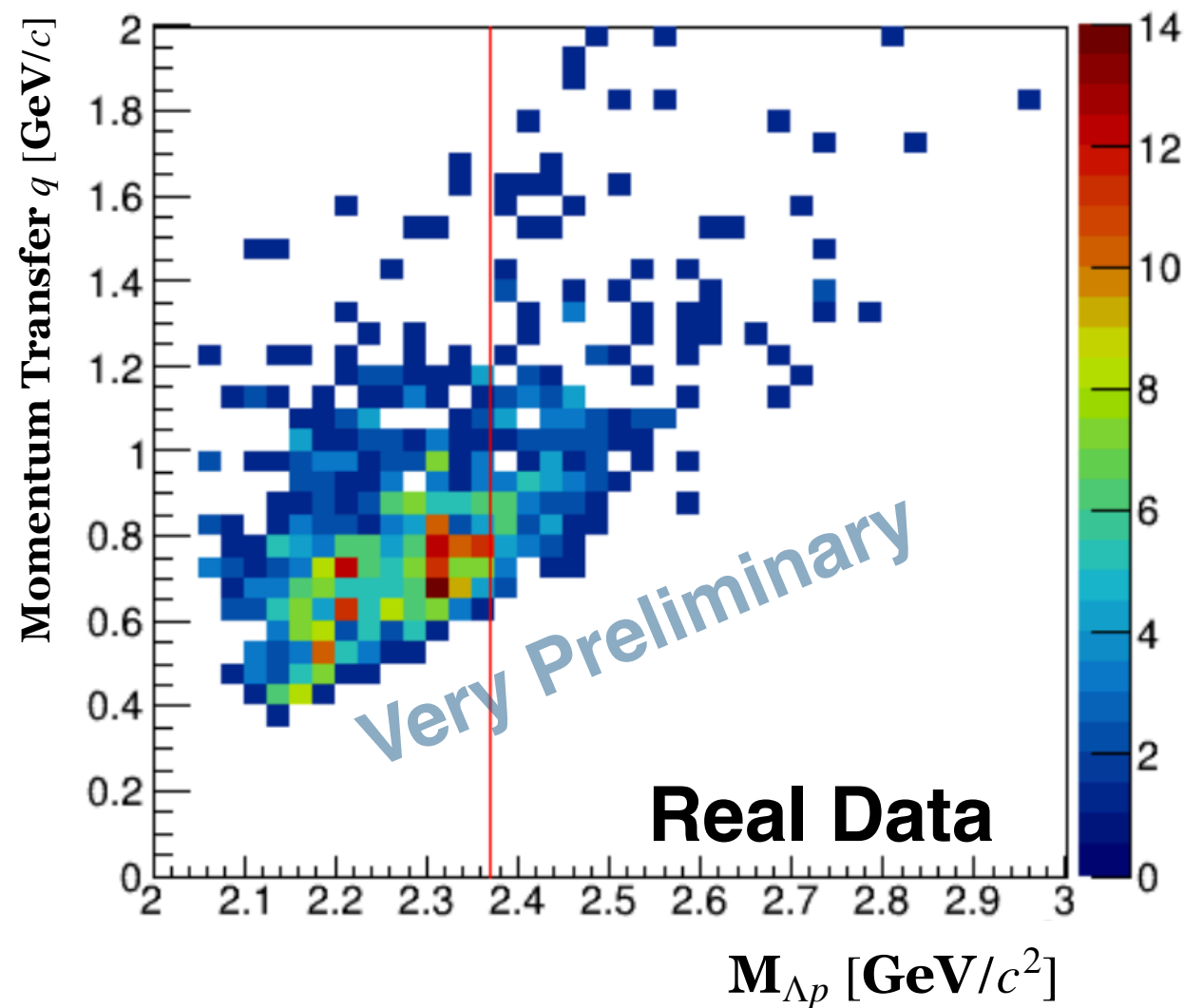
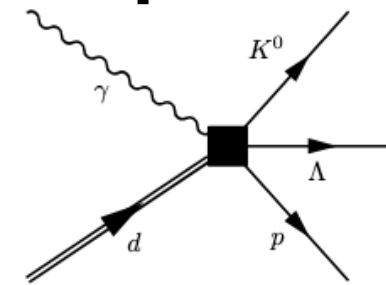


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Q Plot (Uniform Phase Space)

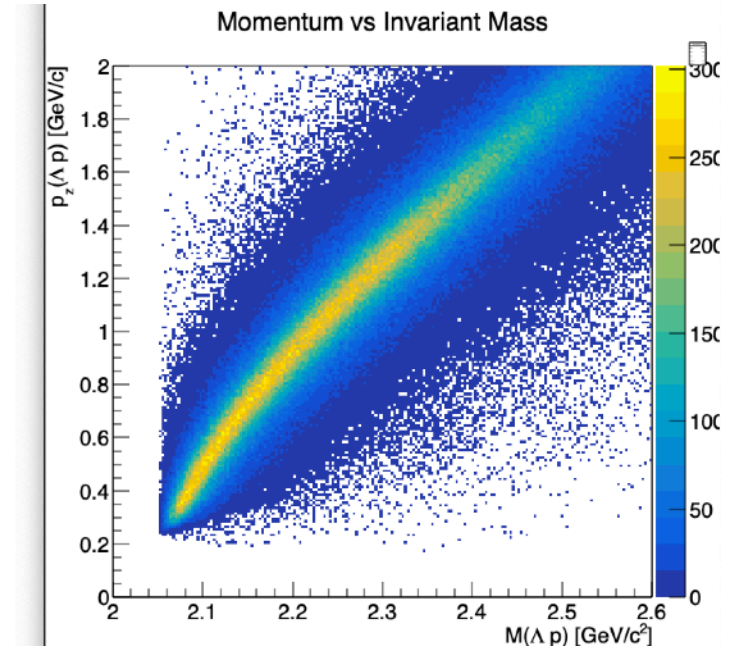
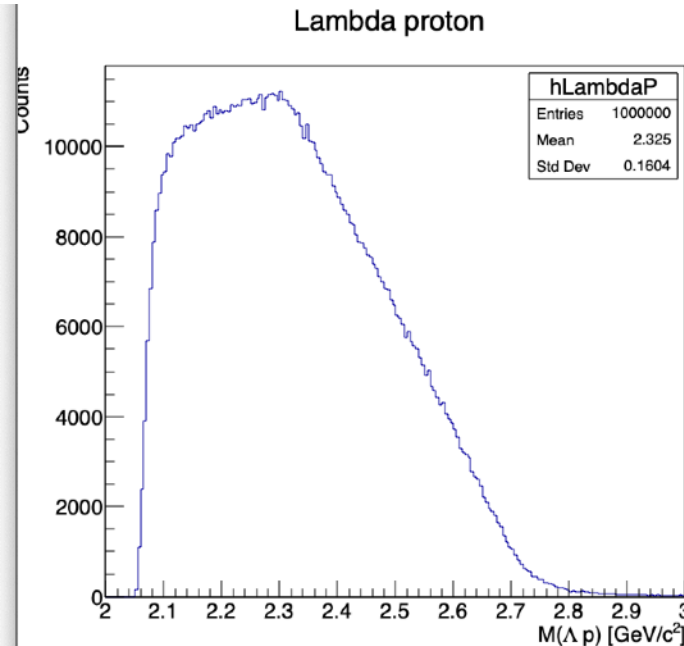
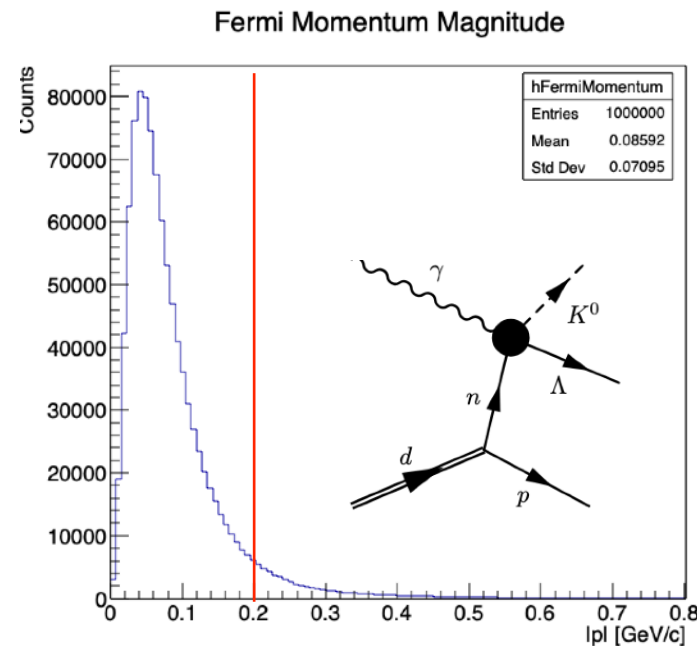






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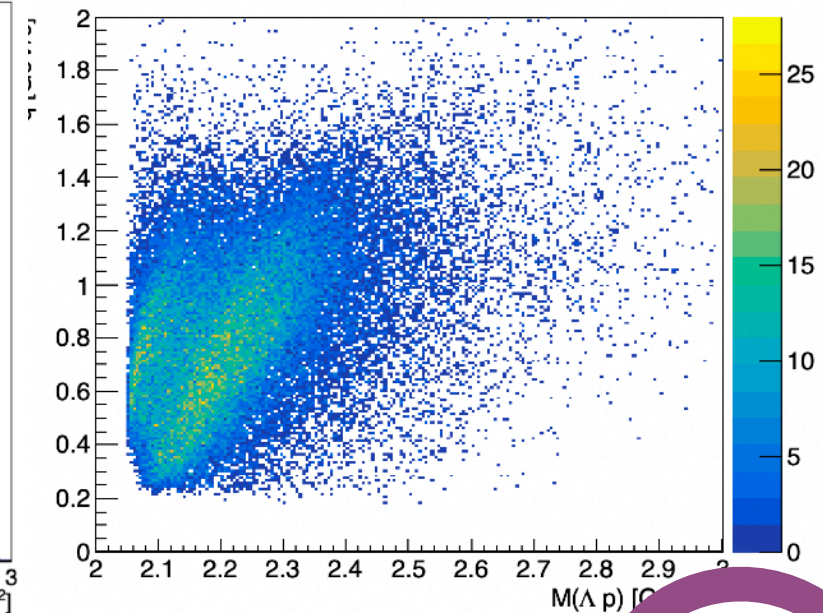
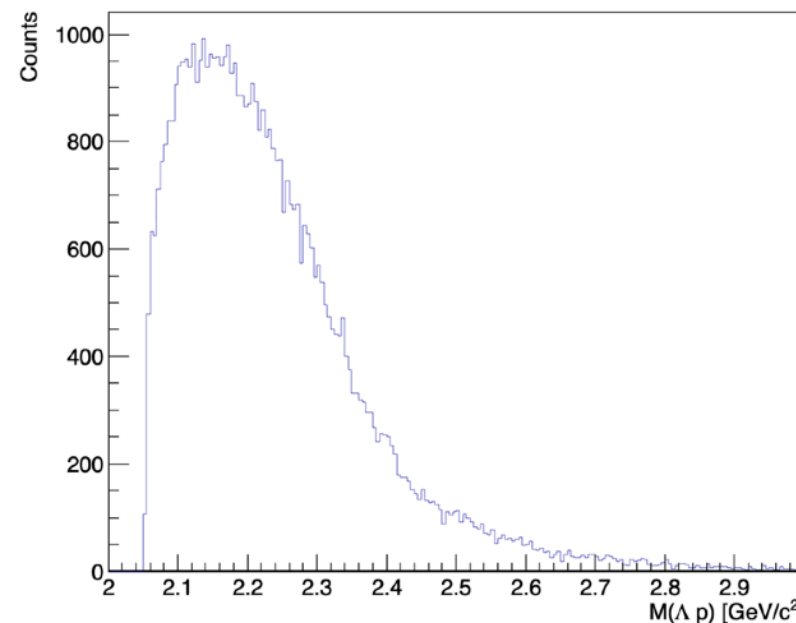
proton is spectator



Detected in side region
proton $40^\circ \sim 110^\circ$

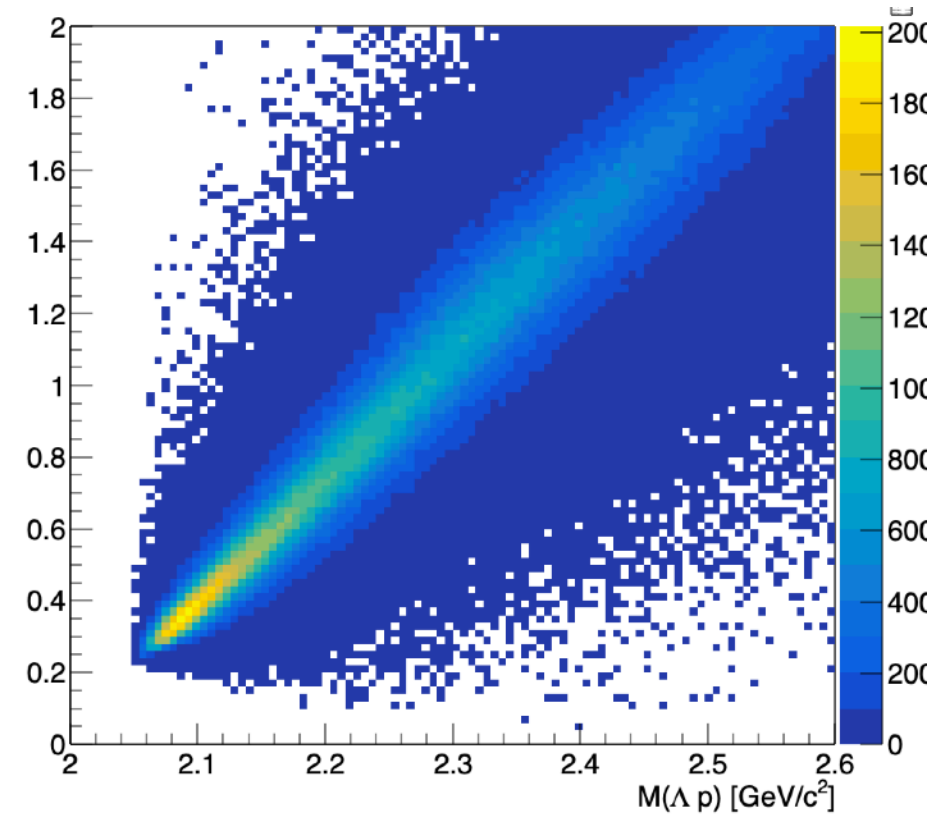
Lambda $40^\circ \sim 110^\circ$

Mom_p > 0.2 GeV/c



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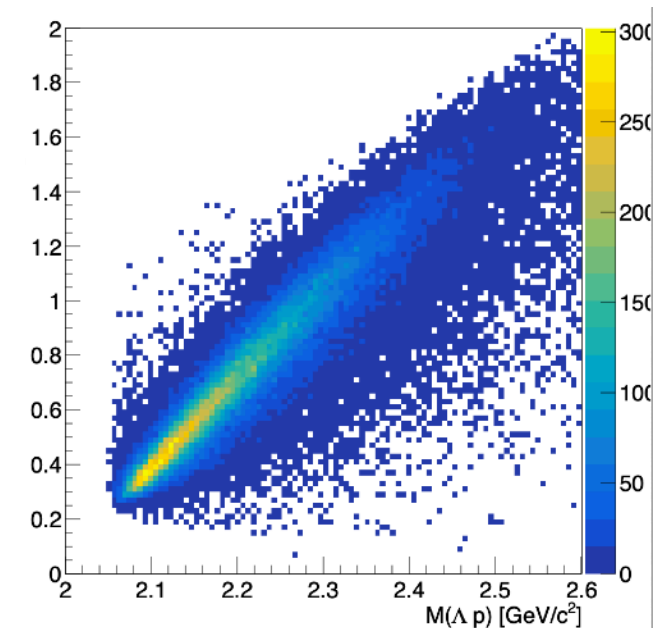
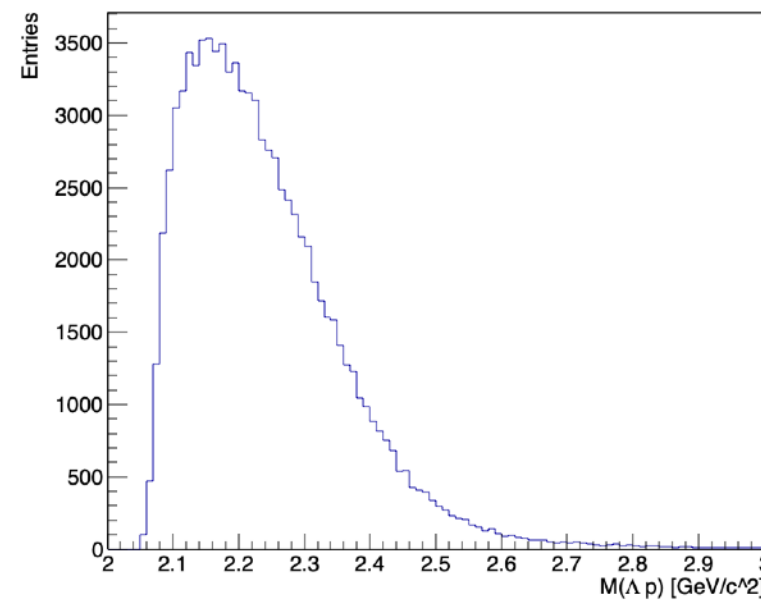
2 Step process



**Detected in side region
proton $40^\circ \sim 110^\circ$**

Lambda $40^\circ \sim 110^\circ$

Mom_p $> 0.2 \text{ GeV}/c$

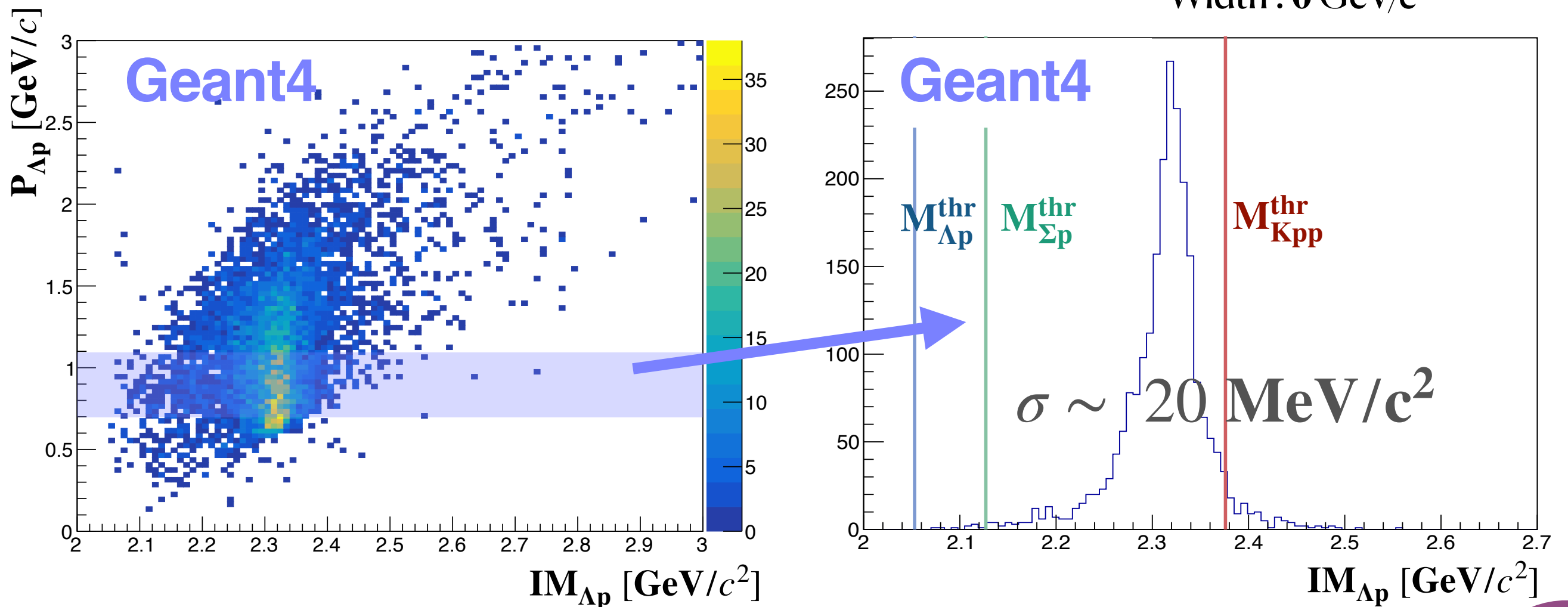


Mass resolution

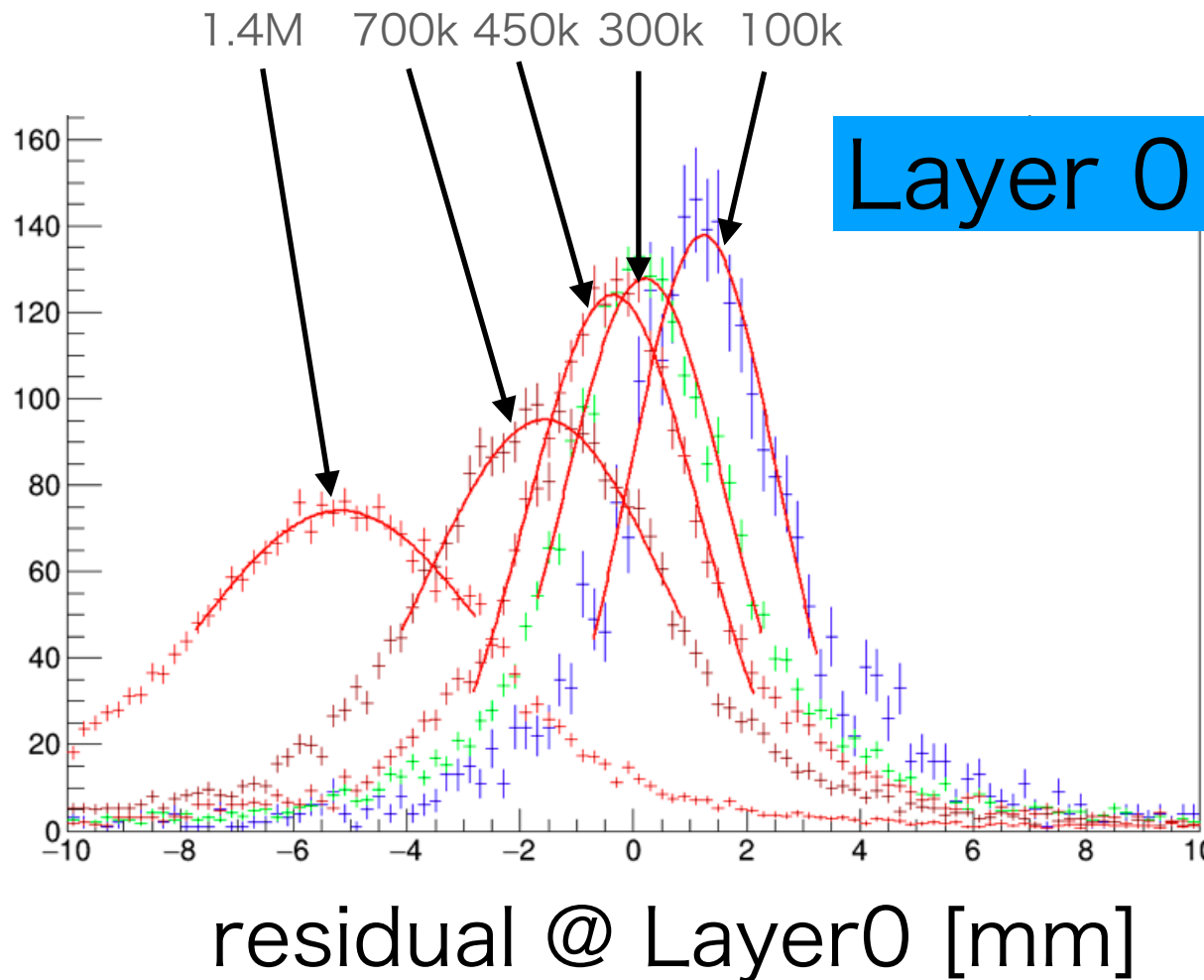
$$\gamma d \rightarrow K^0(\bar{K}NN)_{BS} \rightarrow K^0 \Lambda p$$

Mass : $2.324 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
(B.E = 50 MeV)

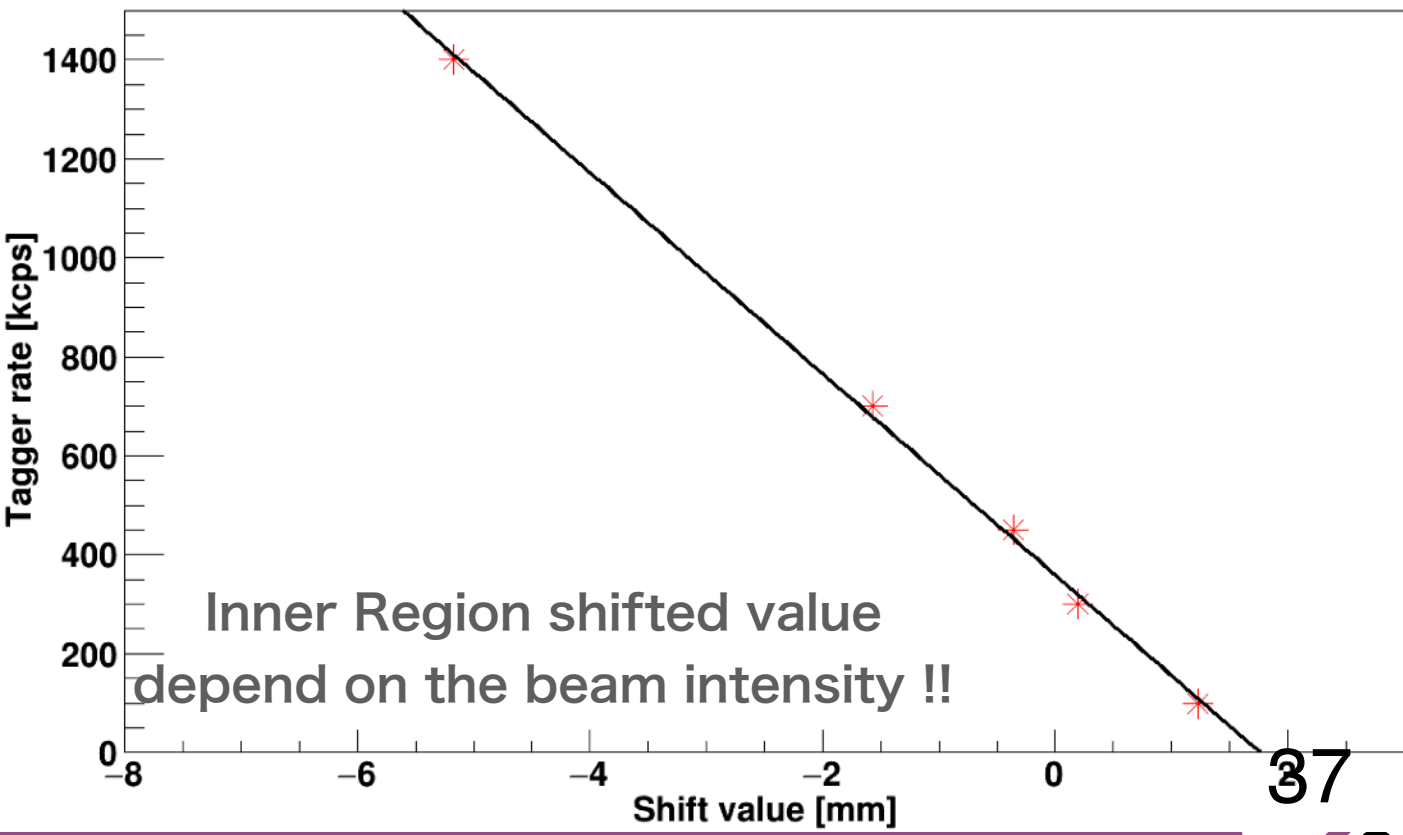
Width : $0 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



Tagger Rate



2022A (LH2 Target)



$$E_z = 16 \text{ [V/mm]}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = (0, 0, E_z)$$

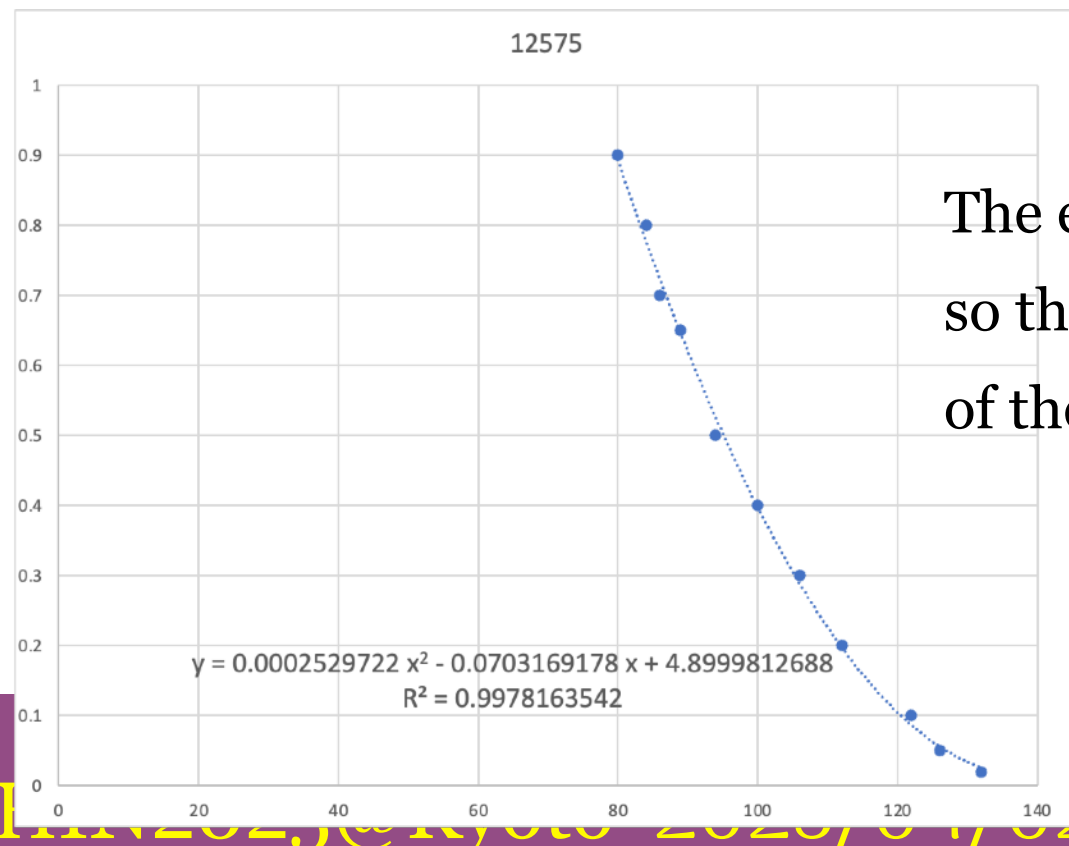
Beam

equipotential lines

Feedback Ion

Sense wire
R

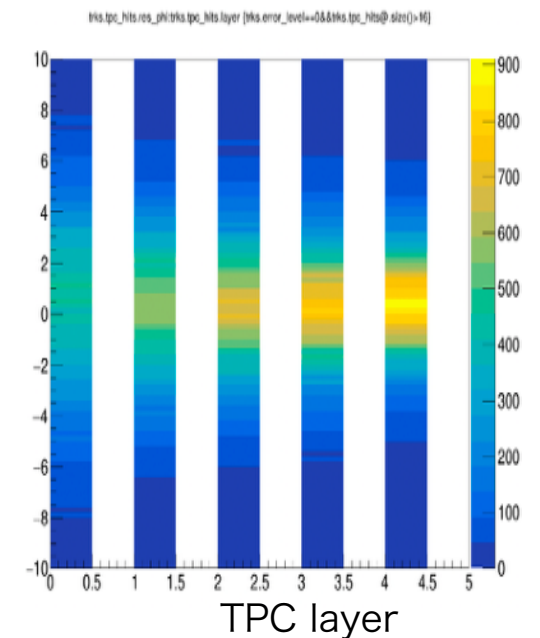
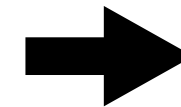
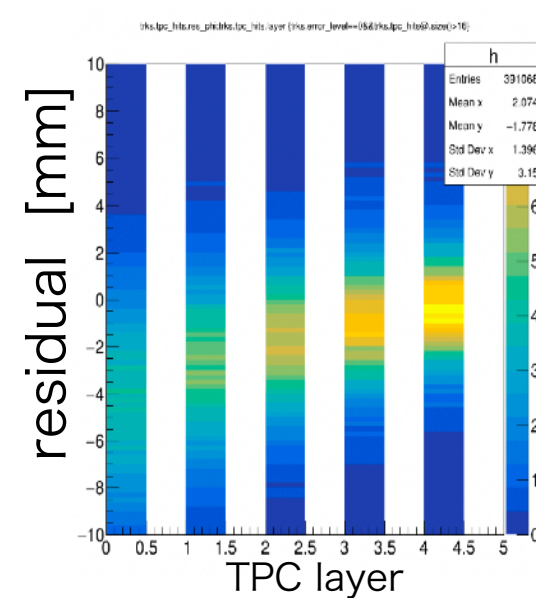
$-E_r \text{ [V/mm]}$



if($R < 140 \text{ [mm]}$)

$$\mathbf{E} = (E_r(r)\sin\phi, E_r(r)\cos\phi, E_z)$$

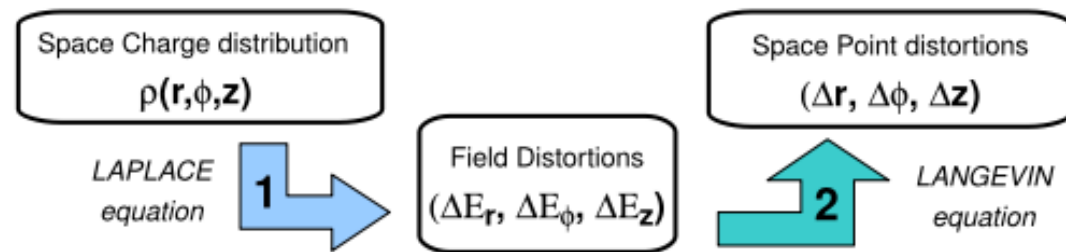
$$E_r(r) = -0.0002441r^2 + 0.06841r - 4.816$$



The electric field is manually adjusted so that the center of the residuals of the predicted position, obtained from the outer hits, is zero.

analysis by various reactions

$$\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+(n)$$



$$\Delta\phi = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon}$$

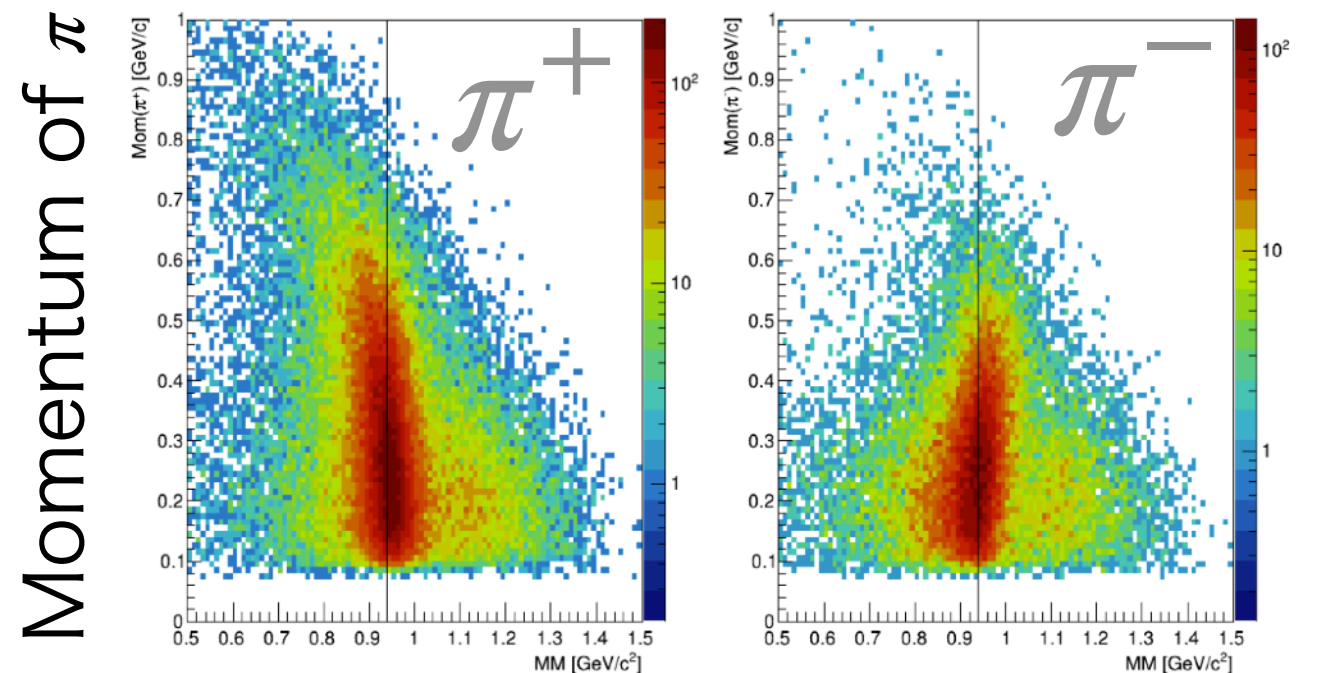
$$\frac{\rho}{\epsilon} = C_1/r^2$$

$$E_r = C_1 \times \frac{1}{r} - A \times C_1 \times \frac{1}{r^2}$$

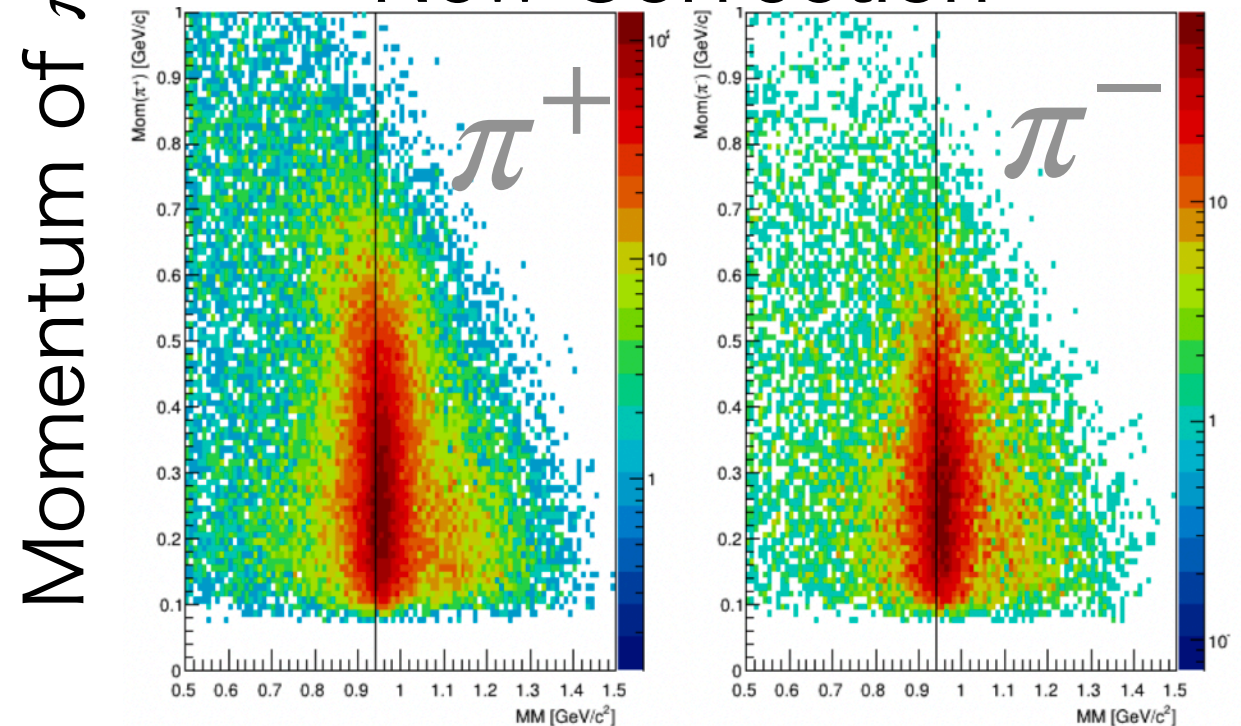
$C_1 \propto \text{Interaction Rate(SSC}(n>2)/\text{Clock})$

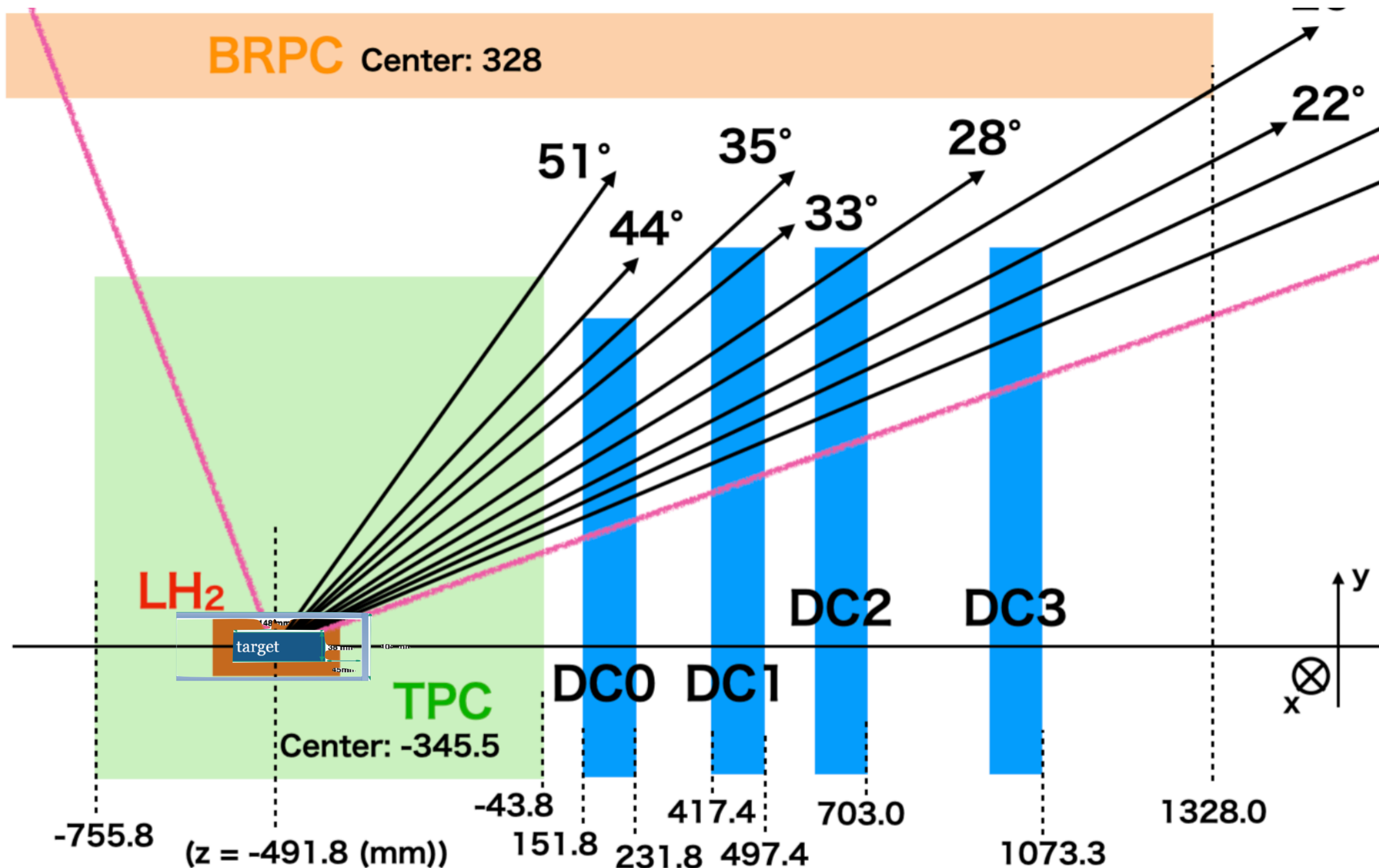
A : Determined by the boundary conditions of the TPC

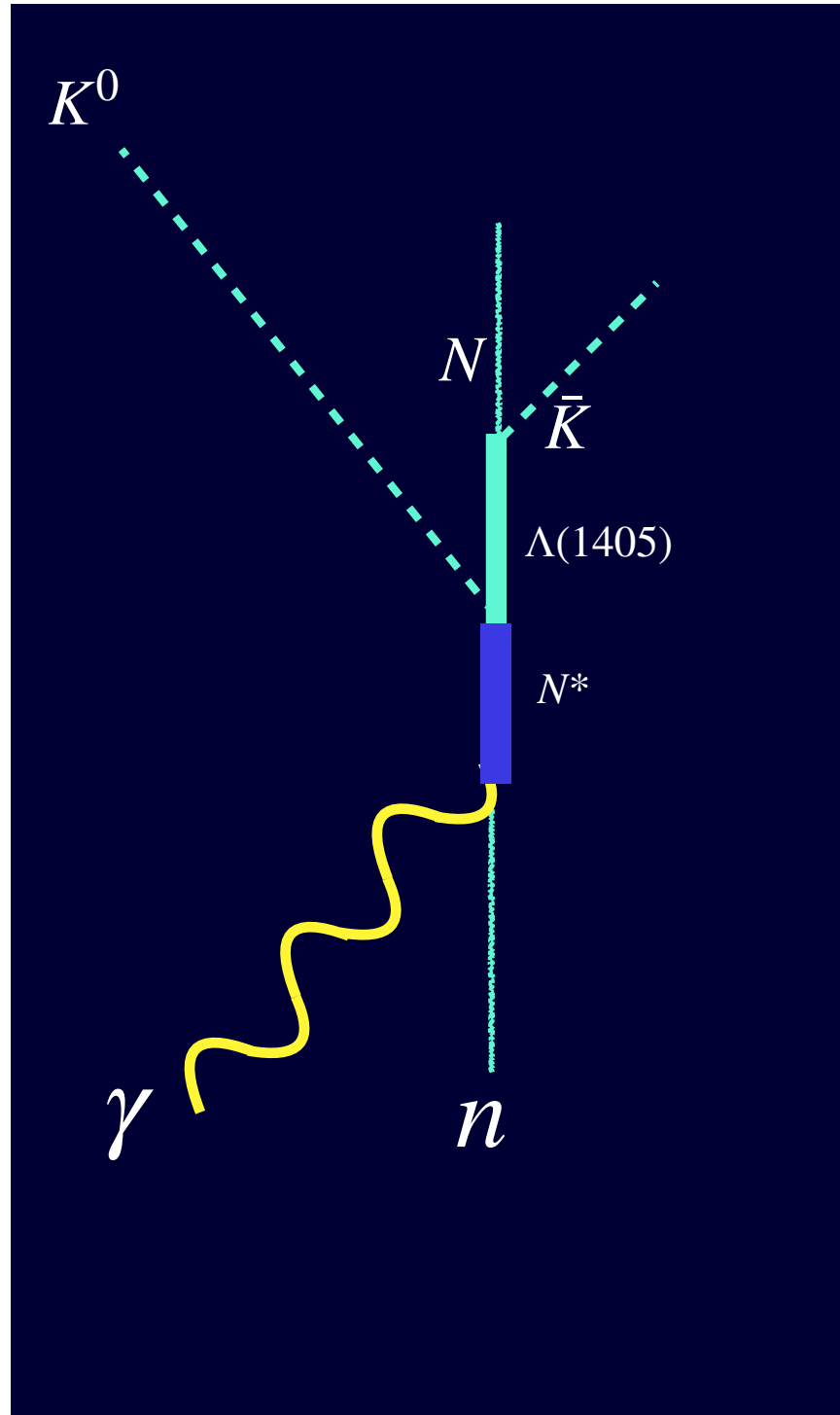
Old Correction



New Correction

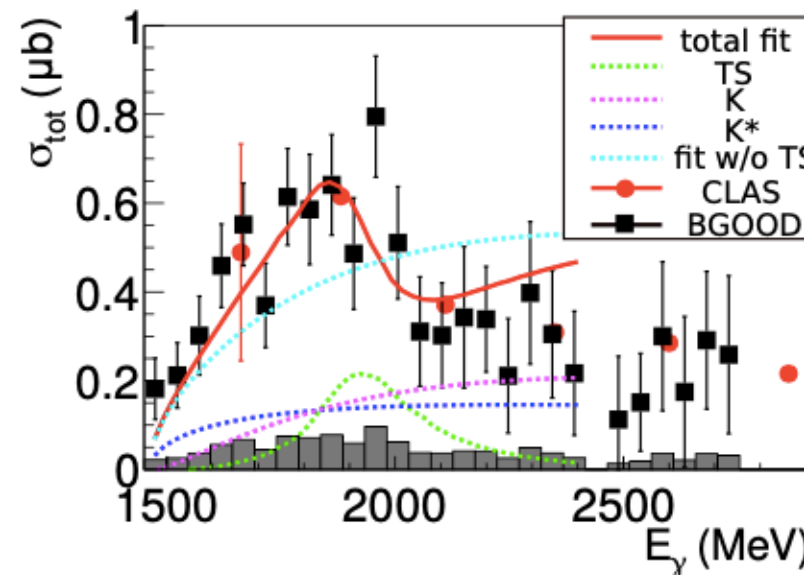






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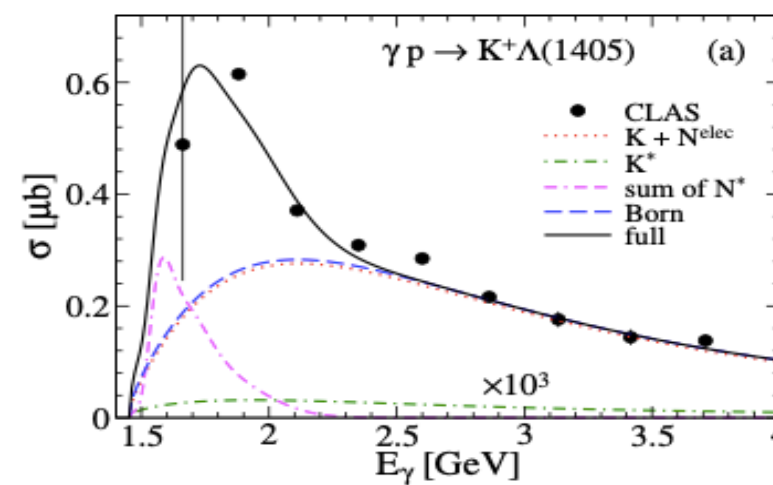
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$\gamma n \rightarrow \Lambda(1405) K^0$

N^* contribution
 $\sim 0.5 \text{ ub}$

K^* contribution
 $\sim 0.4 \text{ ub}$



N^* contribution
 $\sim 0.03 \text{ ub}$

K^* contribution
 $\sim 0 \text{ ub}$

Role of a triangle singularity in the $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda(1405)$ reaction

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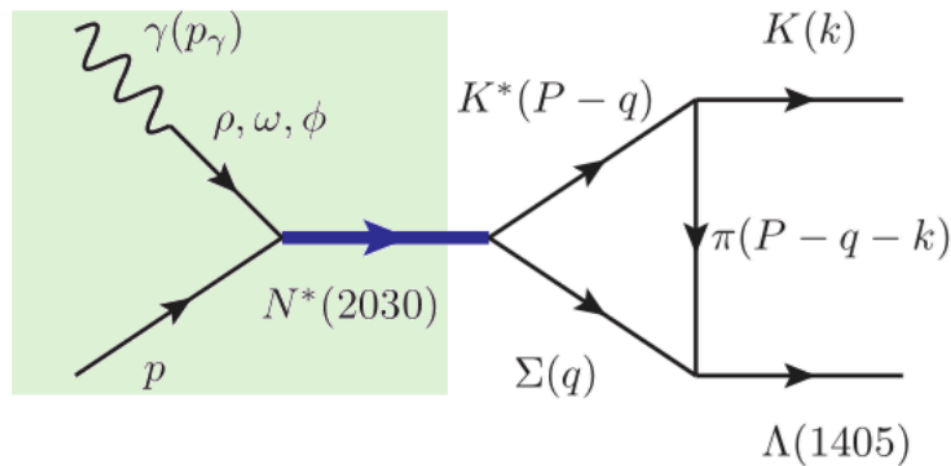
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N^* process



$$-i\tilde{t} = i\frac{e}{g}C_{\gamma V}\epsilon_l(\gamma)$$

$$[\gamma \rightarrow V \ (V = \rho^0, \omega, \phi)] \quad C_{\gamma V} \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \rho^0 \\ \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} & \omega \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \phi \end{cases}$$

$$g_{N^*N\rho} = -0.3 - 0.5i, \quad g_{N^*N\omega} = -1.1 - 0.4i,$$

$$g_{N^*N\phi} = 1.5 + 0.6i, \quad g_{N^*K^*\Sigma} = 3.9 + 0.2i.$$

(NV : isospin basis)

$$g_{\gamma N, N^*} = \sum_{V=\rho^0, \omega, \phi} C_{\gamma V} g_{N^*NV}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{\mp 1}{\sqrt{3}} g_{N^*N\rho} \right) + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} g_{N^*N\omega} - \frac{1}{3} g_{N^*N\phi}$$

($-$: proton, $+$: neutron)

$$\frac{|g_{\gamma n, n^*}|^2}{|g_{\gamma p, p^*}|^2} \sim 2.5$$

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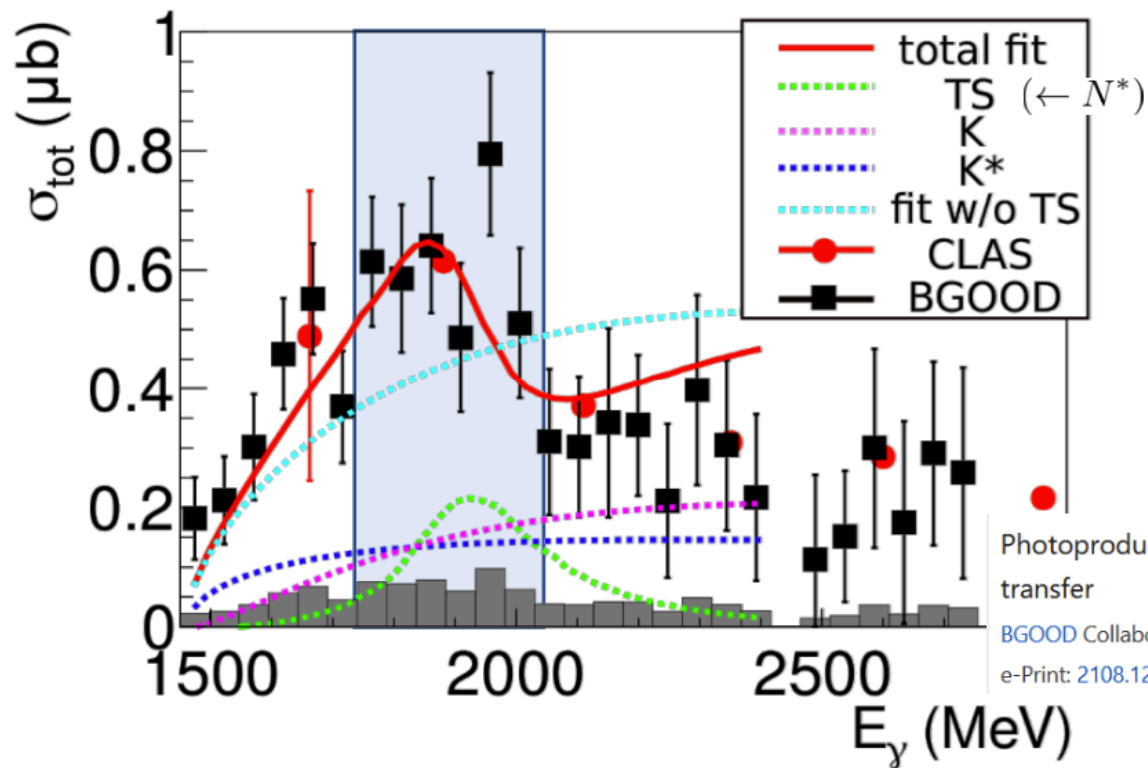
Dynamically generated resonances from the vector octet-baryon octet interaction

E. Oset¹ and A. Ramos^{2,a}

$$|\rho N\rangle_{I=1/2}^{I_z=+1/2} = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|\rho^+ n\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}|\rho^0 p\rangle$$

$$|\rho N\rangle_{I=1/2}^{I_z=-1/2} = +\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}|\rho^0 n\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|\rho^- p\rangle$$

$$[|\rho^+\rangle = -|I=1, I_z=+1\rangle]$$



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- Estimation (incoherent sum)

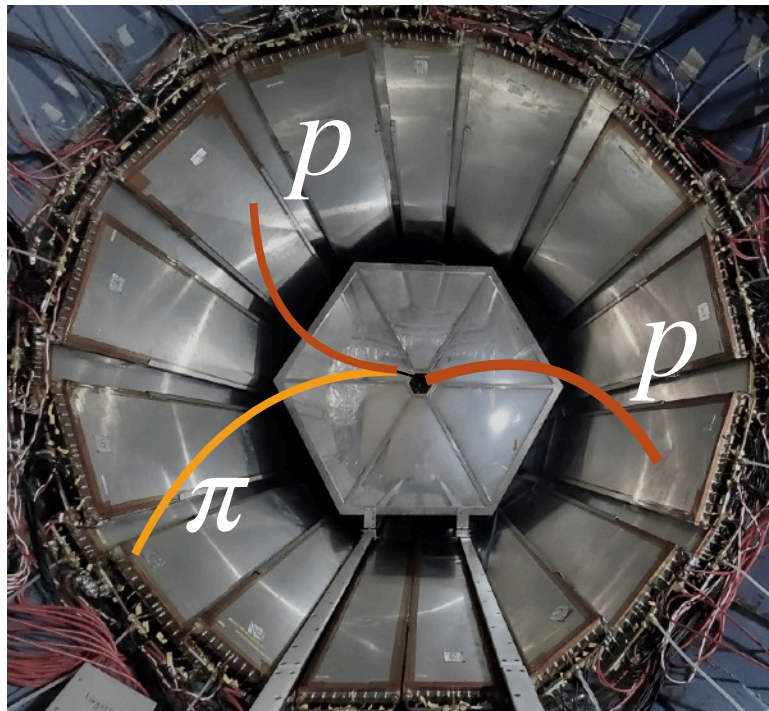
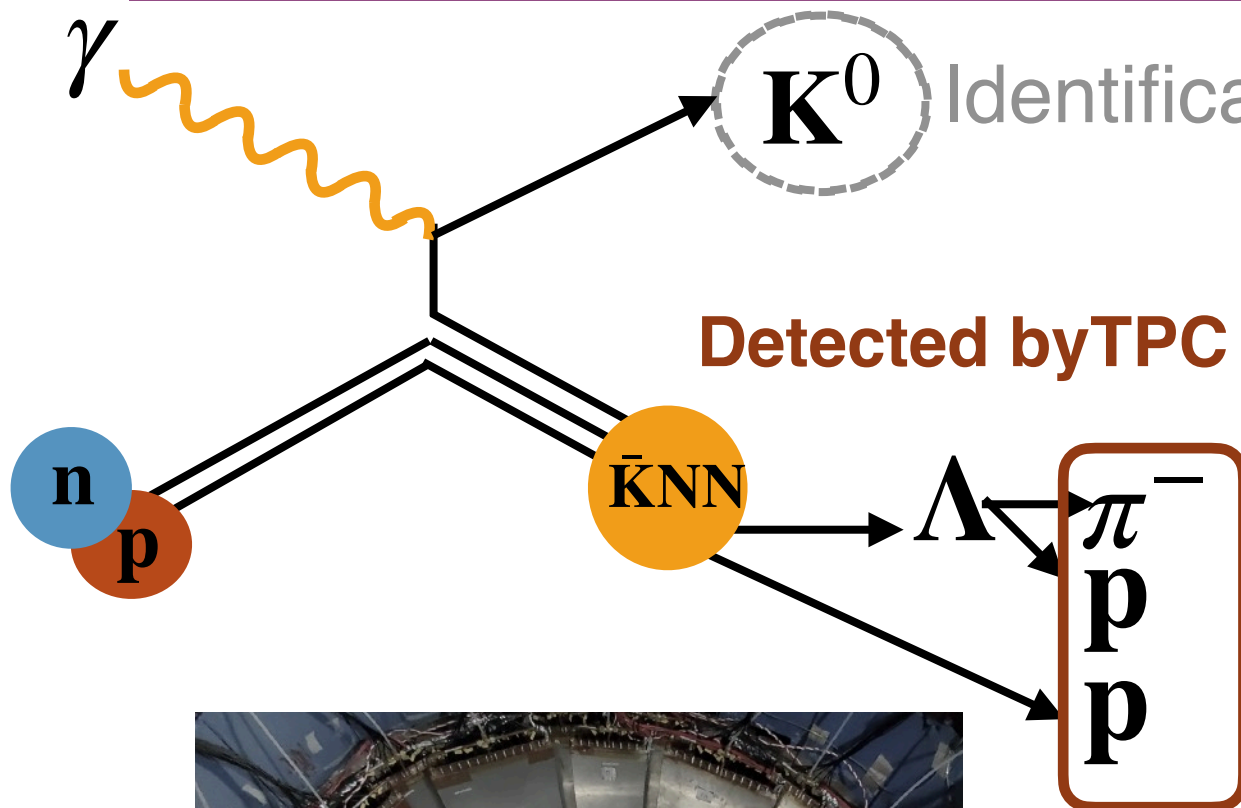
$$(2.5 \times 0.2)_{N^*} + (2.5 \times 0.15)_{K^*} + (0 \times 0.15)_K + (? \times 0.05)_{K\bar{K}N}$$

$$\sim 0.9 \mu\text{b} + ?_{K\bar{K}N}$$

$$[E_\gamma \sim 1.9 \text{ GeV}]$$

➡ $\sigma_{\gamma n \rightarrow K^0 \Lambda(1405)} \sim 0.9 \mu\text{b}?$
 $(\sigma_{\gamma n \rightarrow n^* \rightarrow K^0 \Lambda(1405)} \sim 0.5 \mu\text{b})$

Estimation of the $\bar{K}NN$ yield



Identification by missing mass

$Y(\bar{K}NN \rightarrow \Lambda p \text{ mode})$

= #photons (5.7×10^{12} (2022 – 2023))

$\times$ #deuterons (6.7×10^{23}) 14 cm LD_2 target

$\times \sigma_{\bar{K}NN \rightarrow \Lambda p} : (7.5 - 75 \text{ nb})$

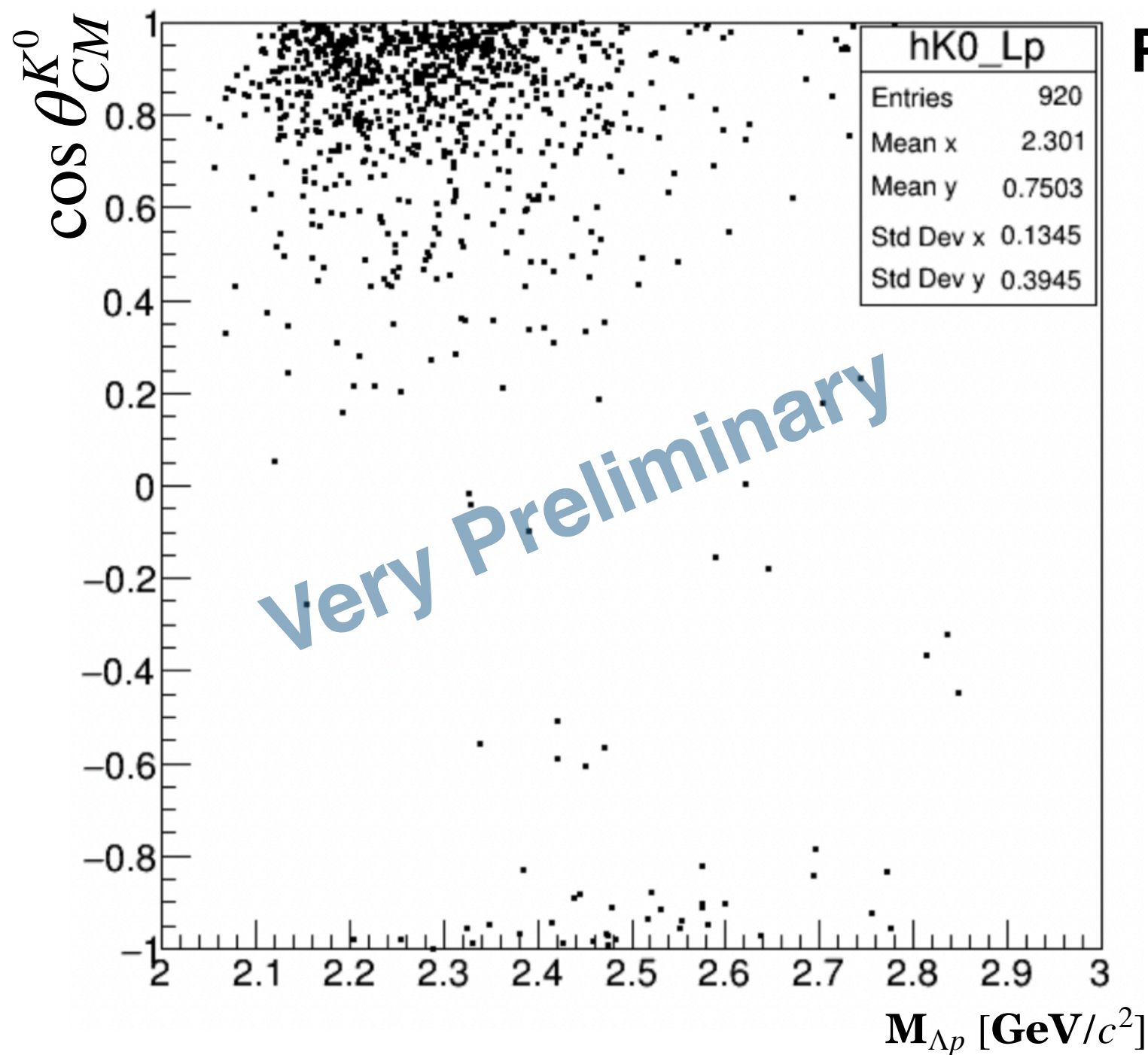
$\sigma_{\gamma n \rightarrow K^0 \Lambda(1405)} : (0.1 - 1 \mu\text{b})$ Ref.E27

$\times$ the Probability of $\Lambda^*p \rightarrow (\bar{K}NN) \rightarrow \Lambda p$ (7.5%)

$\times$ Geometric acceptance ($\approx 5\%$)

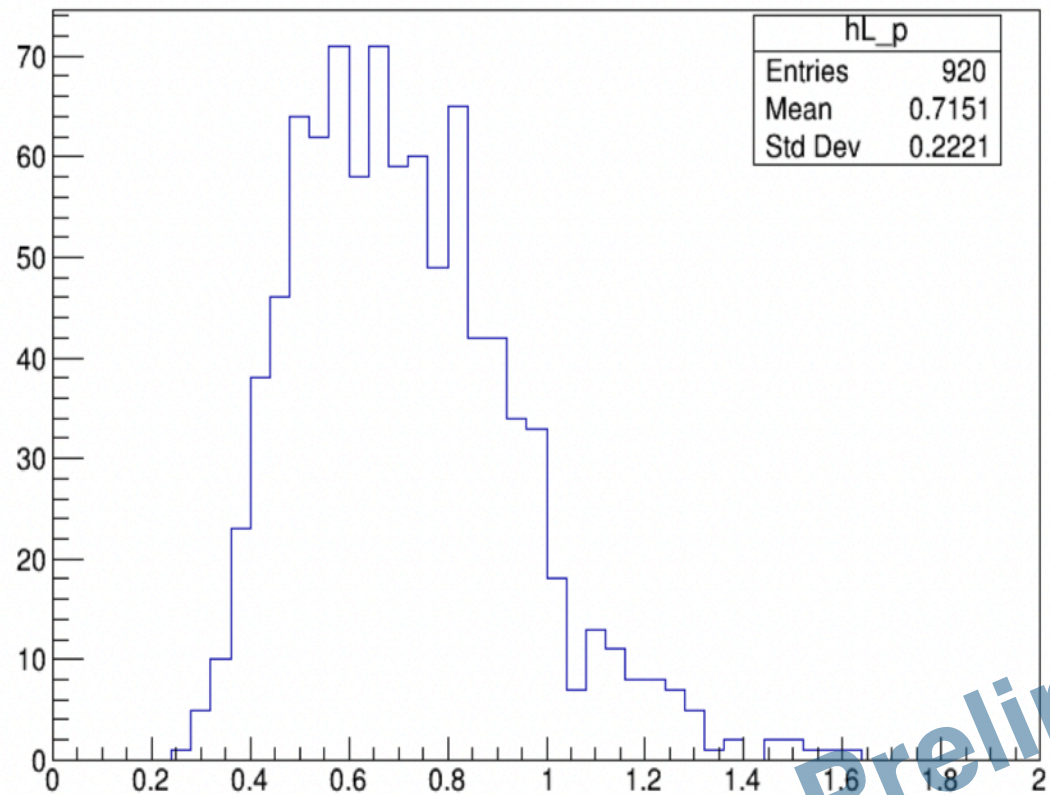
$\approx 3000 \text{ events (if } \sigma_{Kpp \rightarrow \Lambda p} = 15 \text{ nb)}$

K^0 polar angle

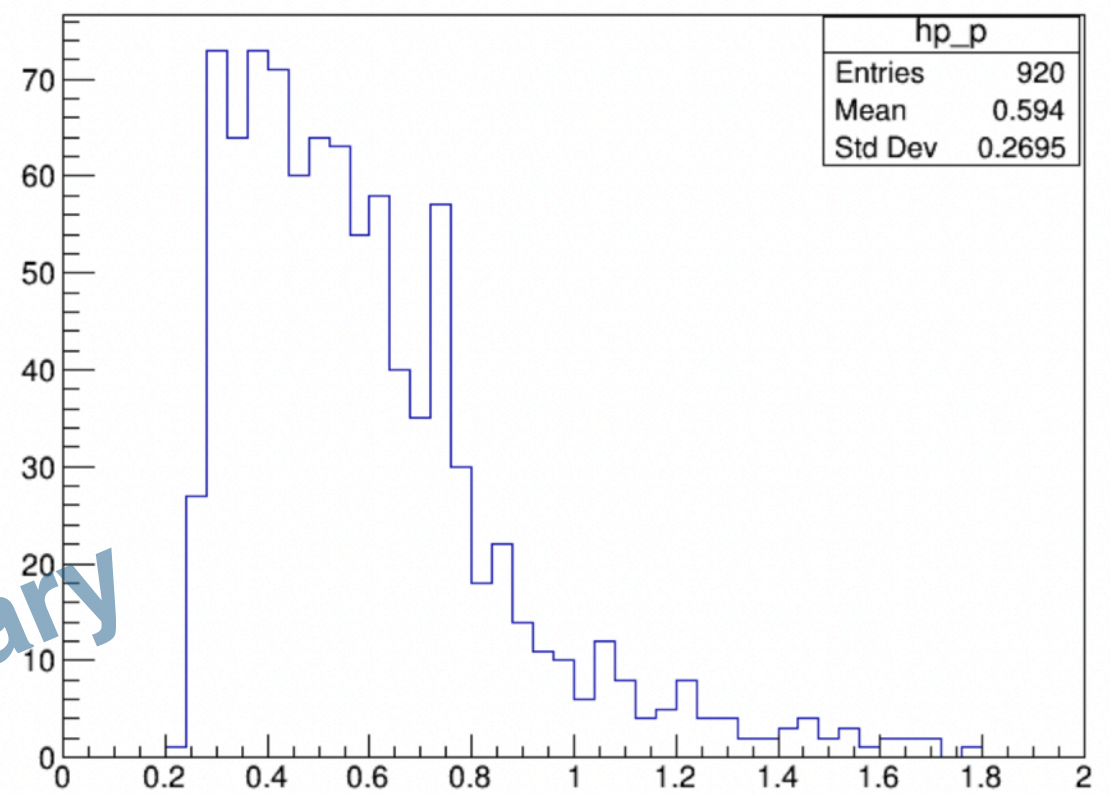


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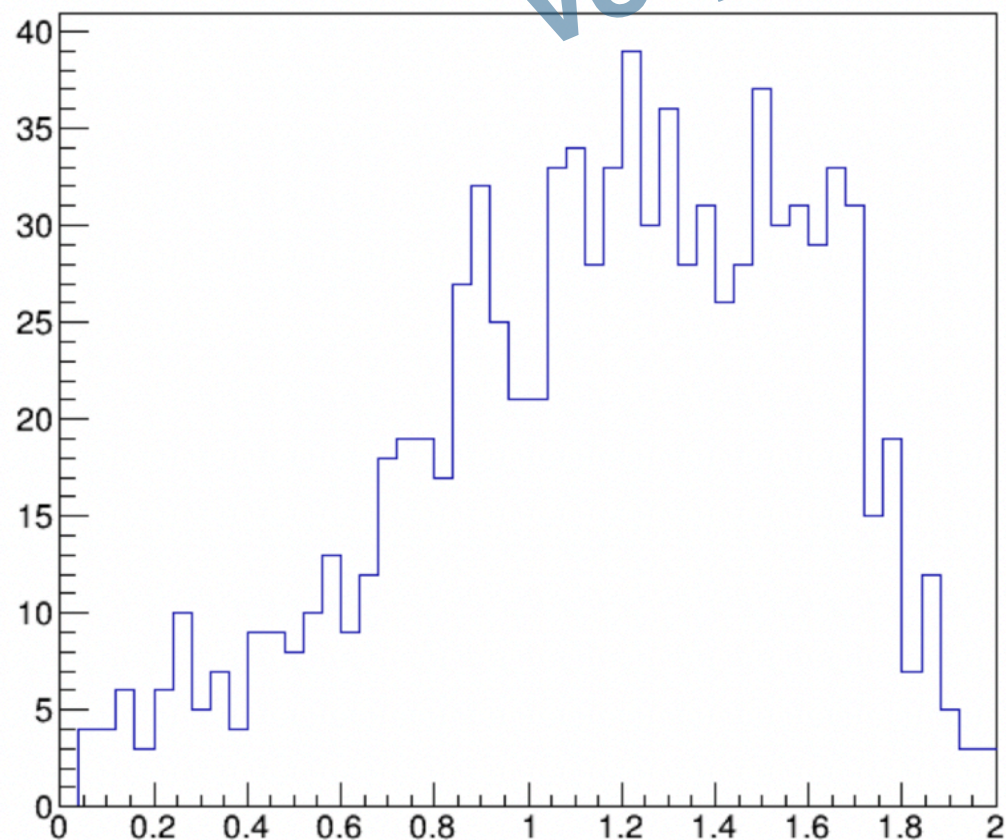
Lambda mom



proton mom



K mom

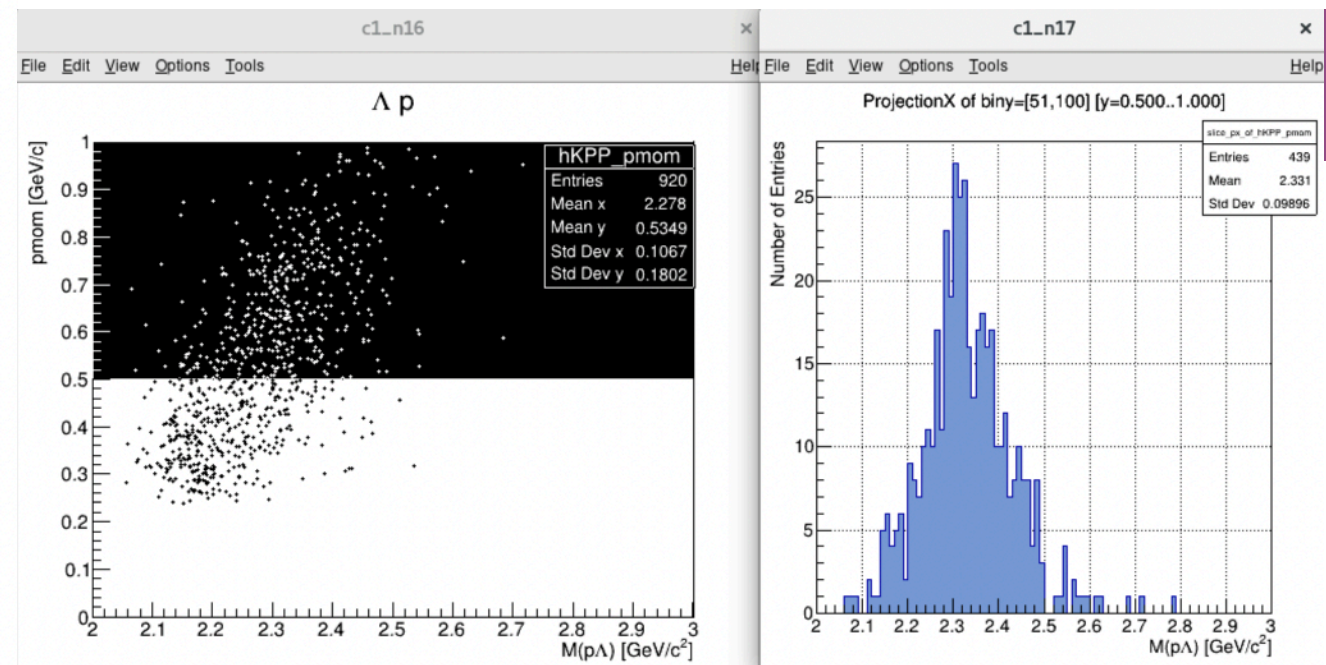
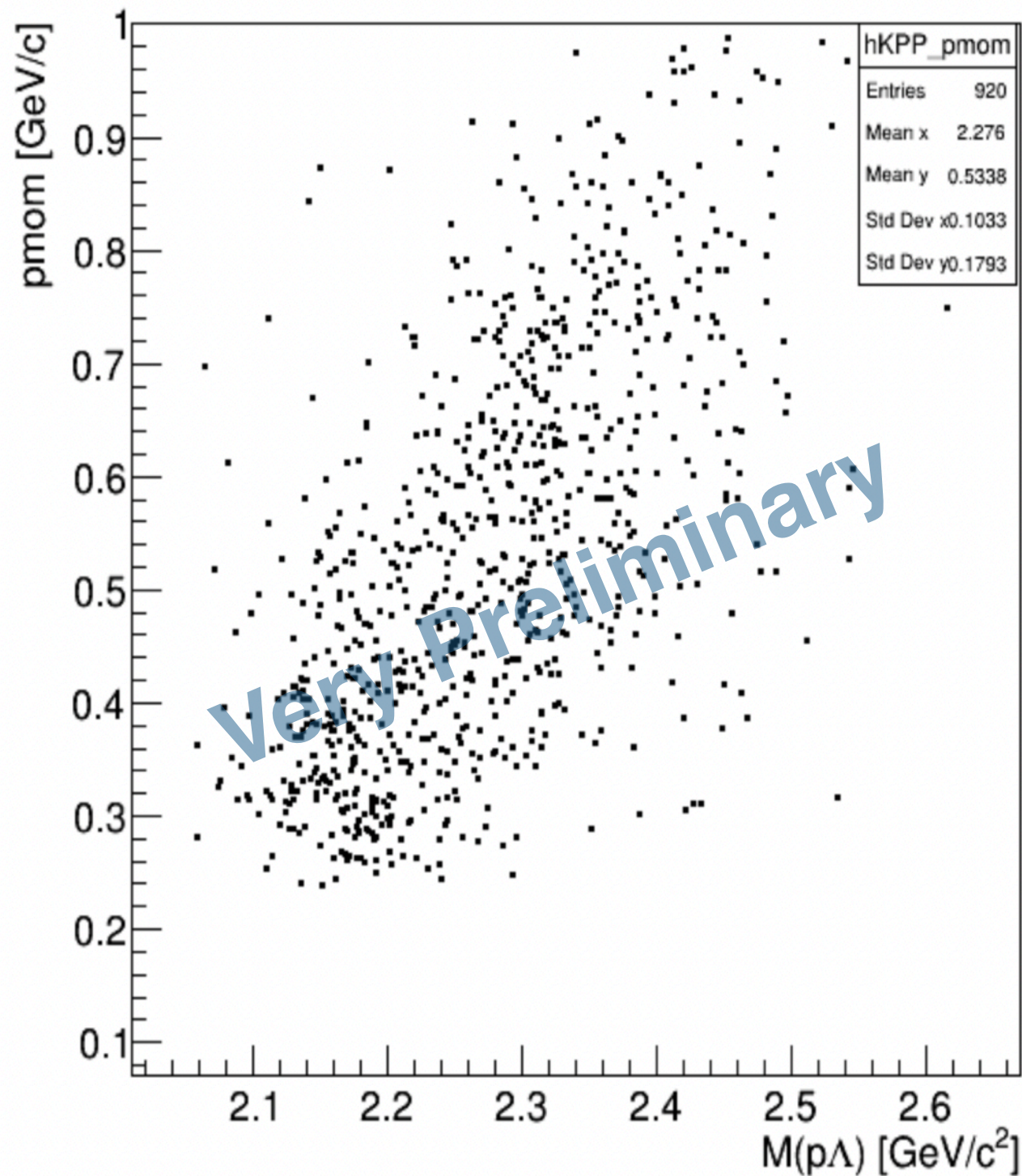


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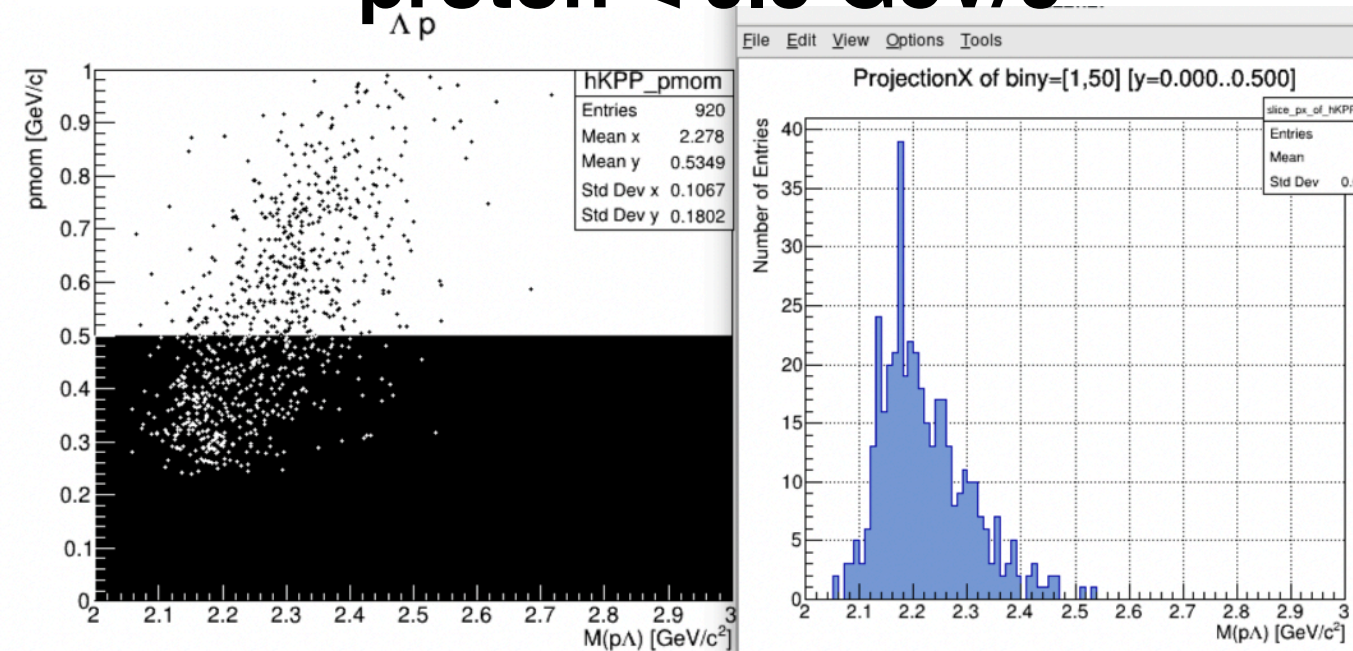
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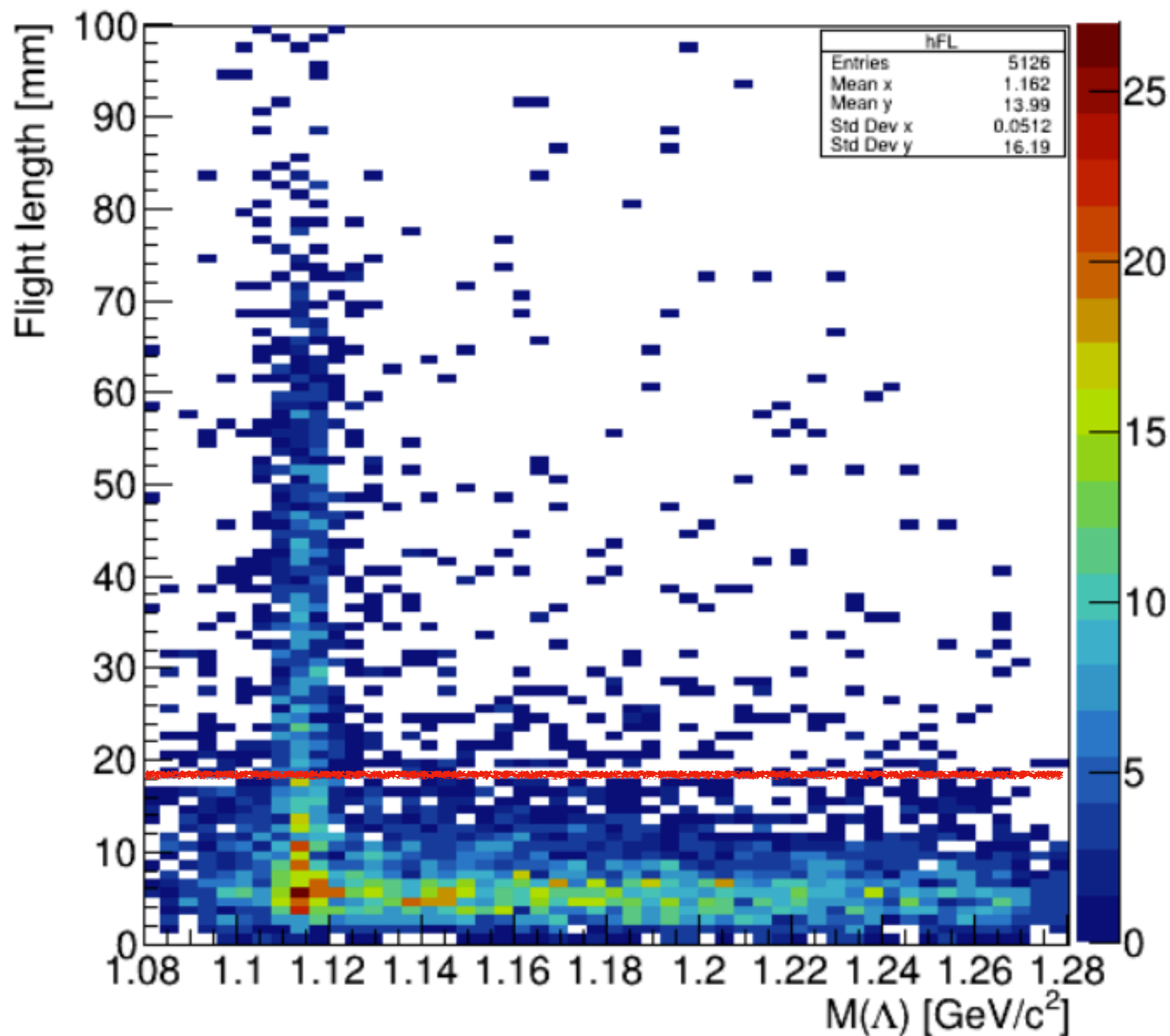
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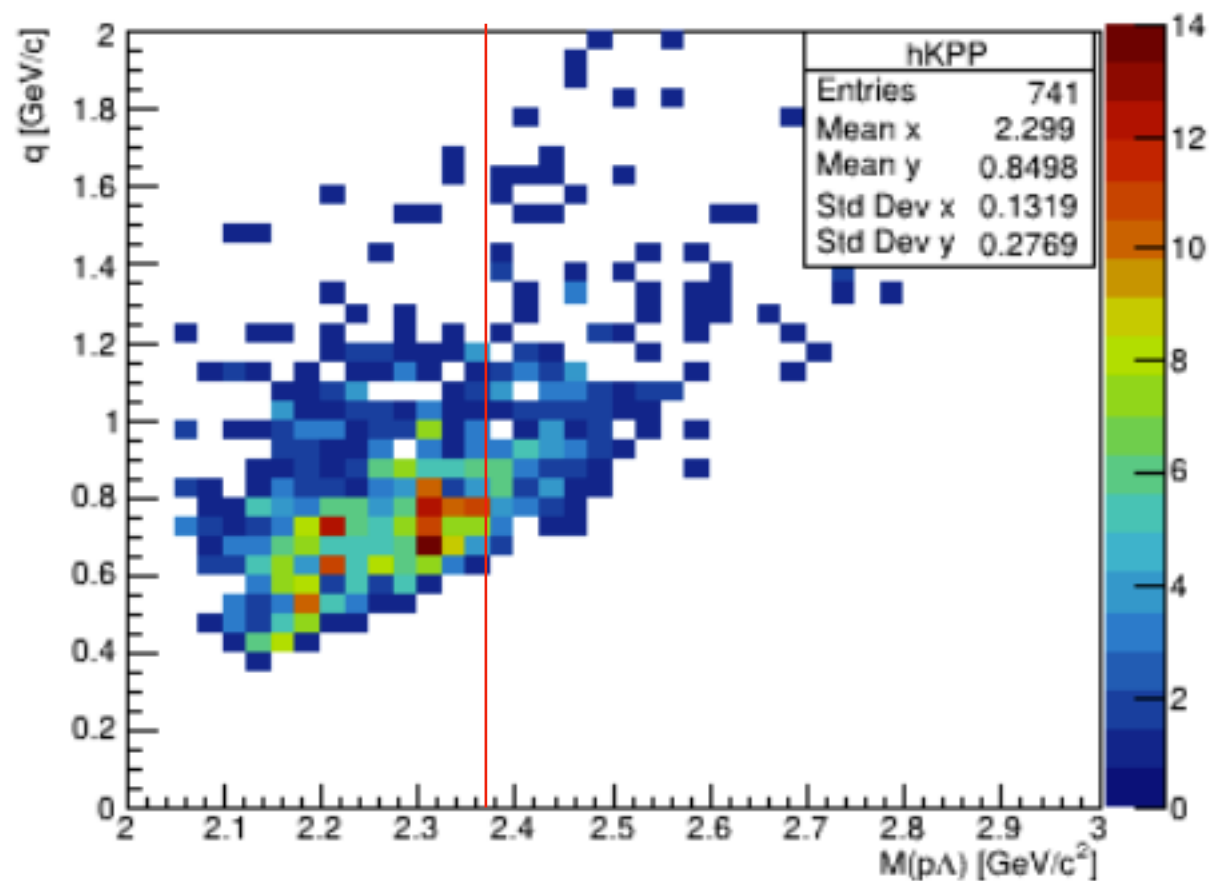
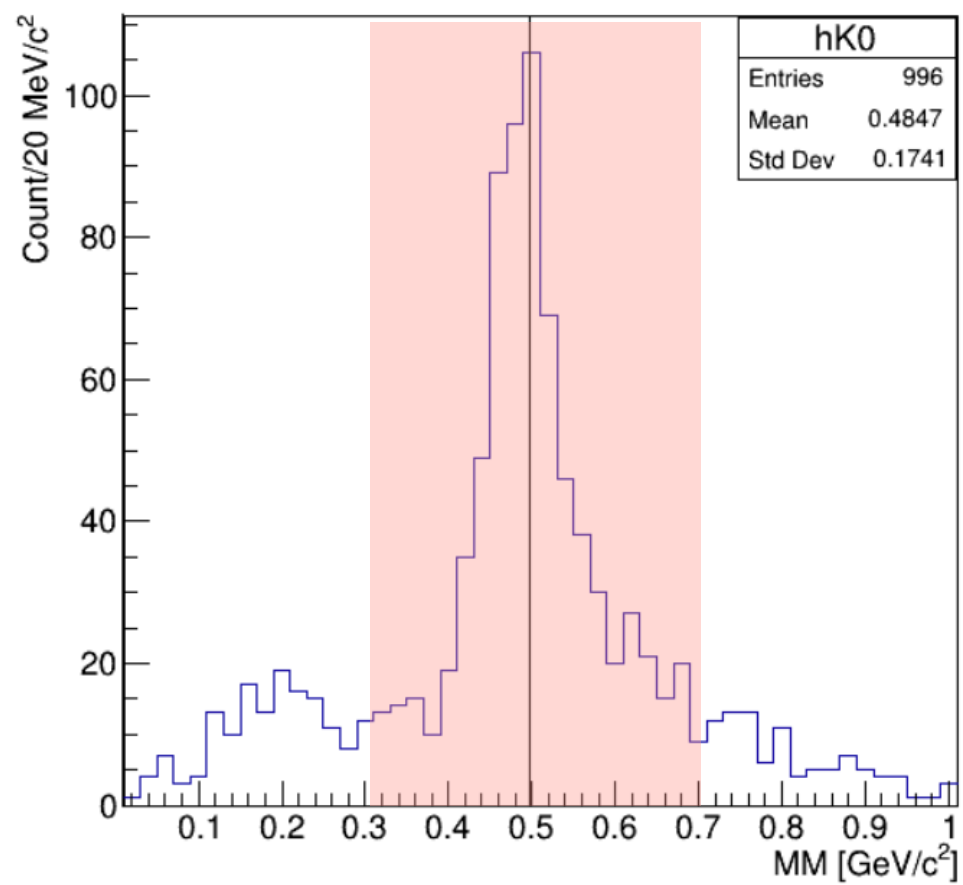
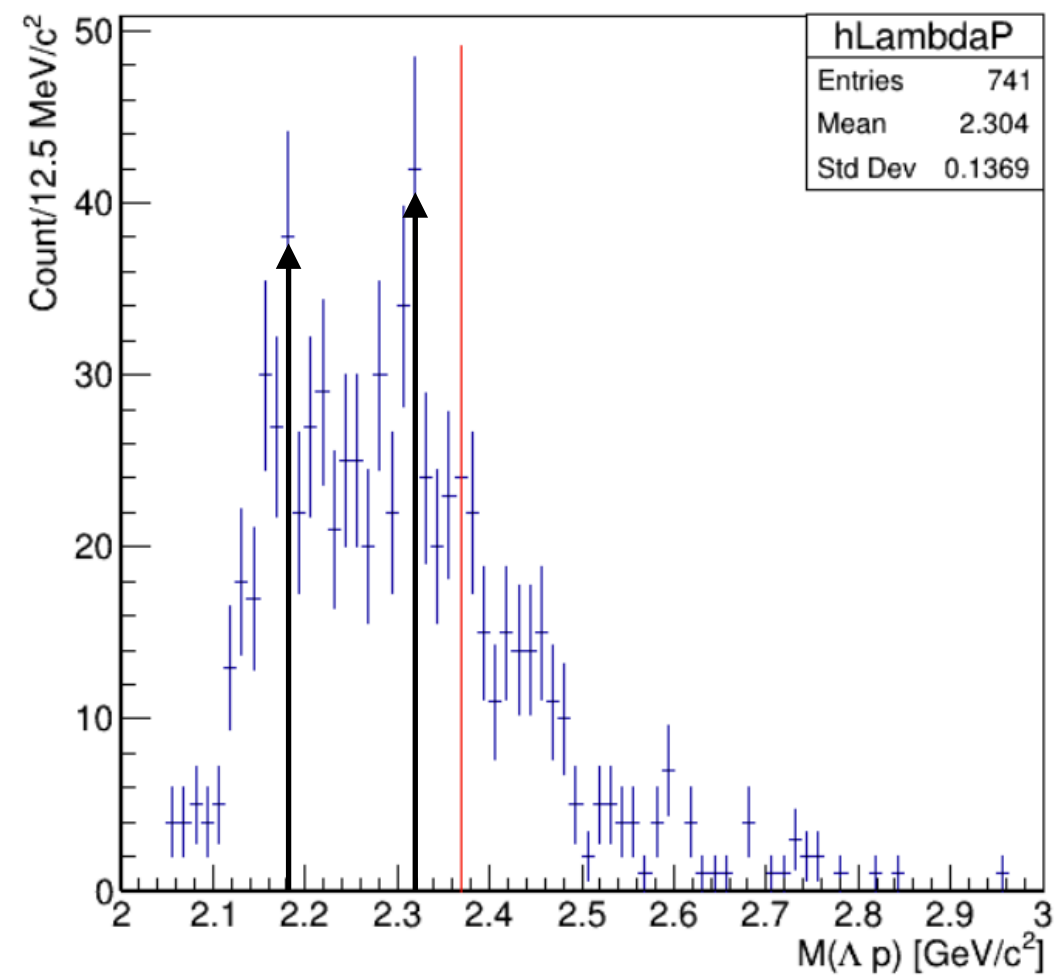
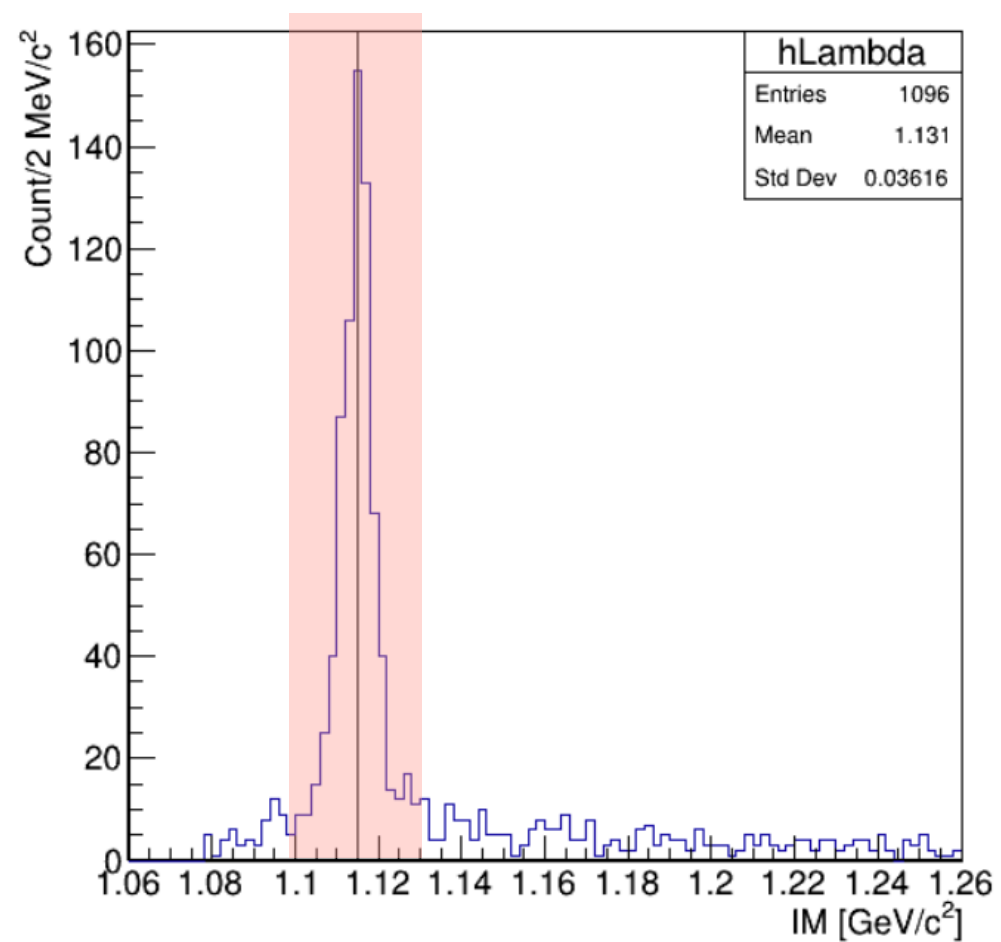


proton < 0.5 GeV/c



Lambda Flight length cut





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