

# Experimental Study on the Nature of the $\Lambda(1405)$ @ LEPS/SPring-8



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# Outline

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- LEPS Experiment
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# Motivation



Is the  $\Lambda(1405)$  a  $KN$  Bound State or a  $q^3$  System or anything else?  $|B\rangle = \alpha|q\bar{3}\rangle + \beta|q\bar{3}^*q\bar{q}\rangle + \gamma|q\bar{3}^*g\rangle + \dots$

- **$J^p=1/2^- \Lambda(1405)$  4-star Resonance**
  - It must be mass-degenerate with  $J^p=3/2^- \Lambda(1520)$
  - $J^p=1/2^- N(1535)$  is heavier than  $\Lambda(1405)$
- **$KN$  Bound State**
  - Low-energy  $I=0$   $KN$  interactions are strongly attractive
  - There must exist a new, as yet undetected,  $J^p=1/2^- \Lambda(1520)$
- ***Hybrid***
  - $uds + g?$   $m_{\Lambda(1405)} - m_{\Lambda(1116)} \sim 290$  MeV only

# $\Lambda(1405)$ and $\Sigma(1385)$


 **$\Lambda(1405)$   $S_{01}$** 

$$I(J^P) = 0(\frac{1}{2}^-)$$

 Mass  $m = 1406 \pm 4$  MeV

 Full width  $\Gamma = 50.0 \pm 2.0$  MeV

 Below  $\bar{K}N$  threshold

 **$\Lambda(1405)$  DECAY MODES**

 Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )

 $p$  (MeV/c)

 $\Sigma\pi$ 

100 %

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 **$\Sigma(1385)$   $P_{13}$** 

$$I(J^P) = 1(\frac{3}{2}^+)$$

 $\Sigma(1385)^+$  mass  $m = 1382.8 \pm 0.4$  MeV ( $S = 2.0$ )

 $\Sigma(1385)^0$  mass  $m = 1383.7 \pm 1.0$  MeV ( $S = 1.4$ )

 $\Sigma(1385)^-$  mass  $m = 1387.2 \pm 0.5$  MeV ( $S = 2.2$ )

 $\Sigma(1385)^+$  full width  $\Gamma = 35.8 \pm 0.8$  MeV

 $\Sigma(1385)^0$  full width  $\Gamma = 36 \pm 5$  MeV

 $\Sigma(1385)^-$  full width  $\Gamma = 39.4 \pm 2.1$  MeV ( $S = 1.7$ )

 Below  $\bar{K}N$  threshold

 **$\Sigma(1385)$  DECAY MODES**

 Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )

 $p$  (MeV/c)

 $\Lambda\pi$ 

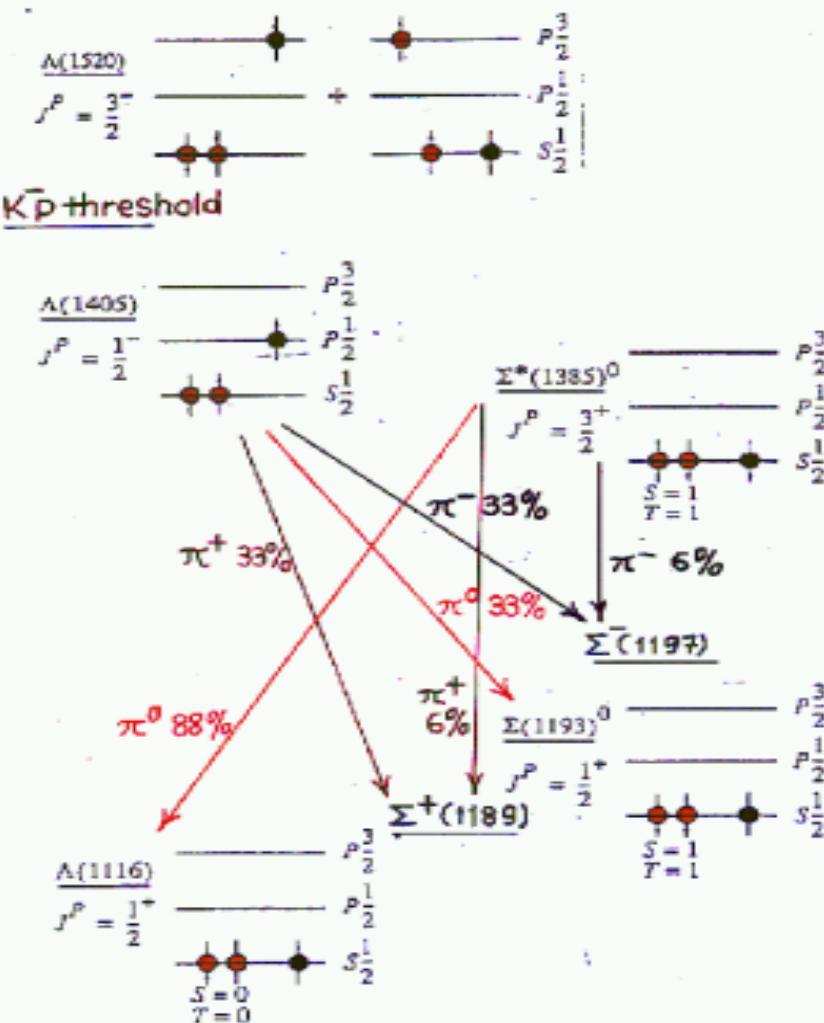
 88  $\pm$  2 %

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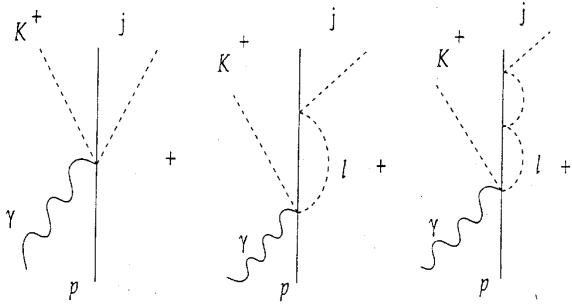
 $\Sigma\pi$ 

 12  $\pm$  2 %

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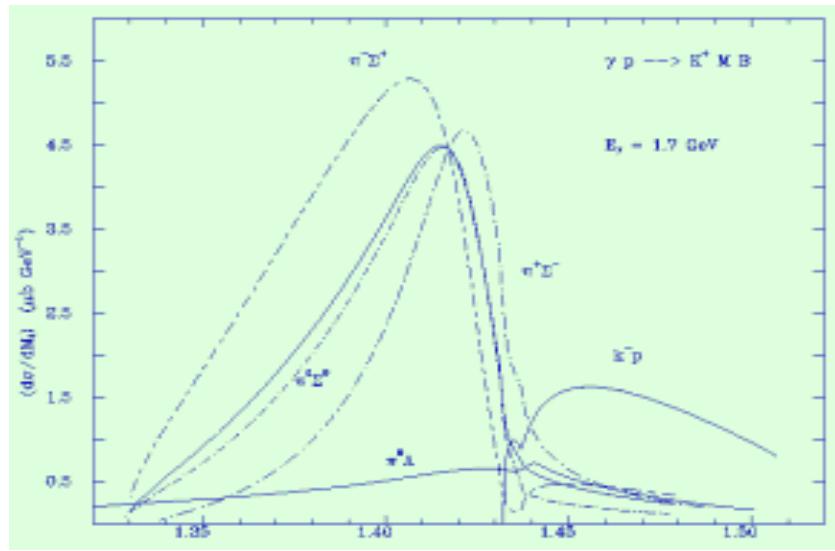
# Coupled-channel $\chi$ -dynamics



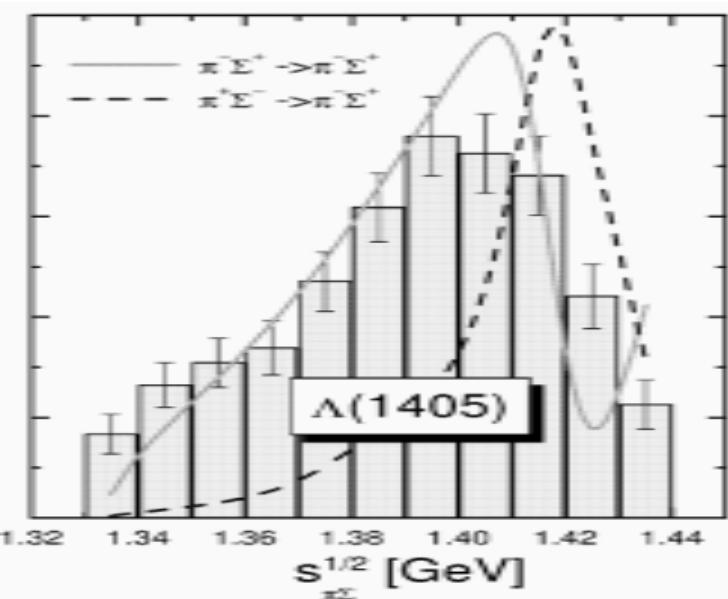
$$\frac{d\sigma(\pi^+\Sigma^-)}{dM_I} \propto \frac{1}{3}|T^{(0)}|^2 + \frac{1}{2}|T^{(1)}|^2 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}Re[T^{(0)}T^{(1)*}]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma(\pi^-\Sigma^+)}{dM_I} \propto \frac{1}{3}|T^{(0)}|^2 + \frac{1}{2}|T^{(1)}|^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}Re[T^{(0)}T^{(1)*}]$$

Fig. 2. Diagrammatic representation of the meson-baryon final state interaction in the  $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+\Lambda(1405)$  process.

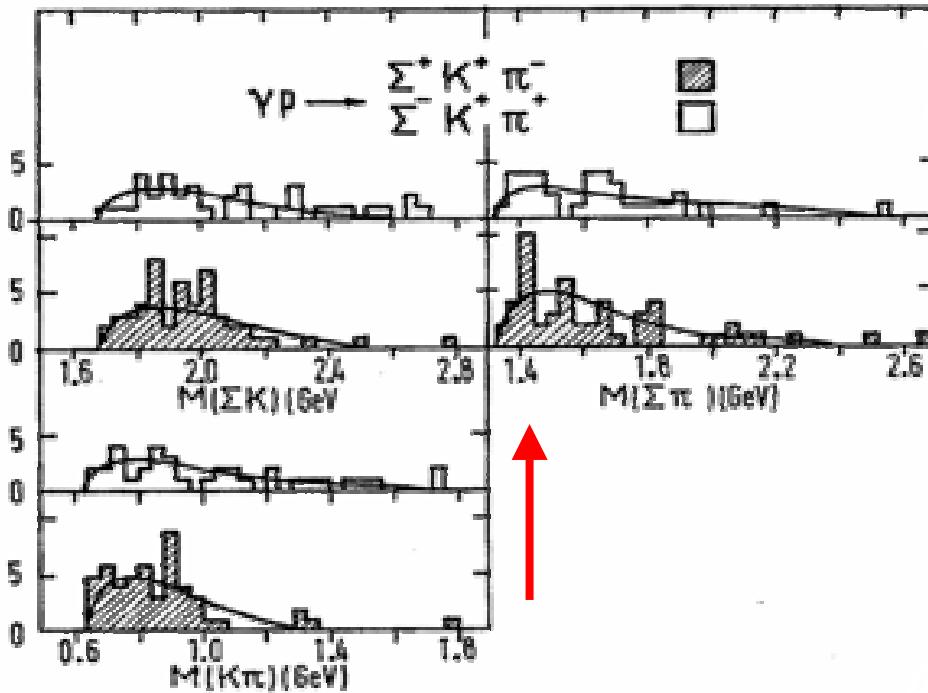
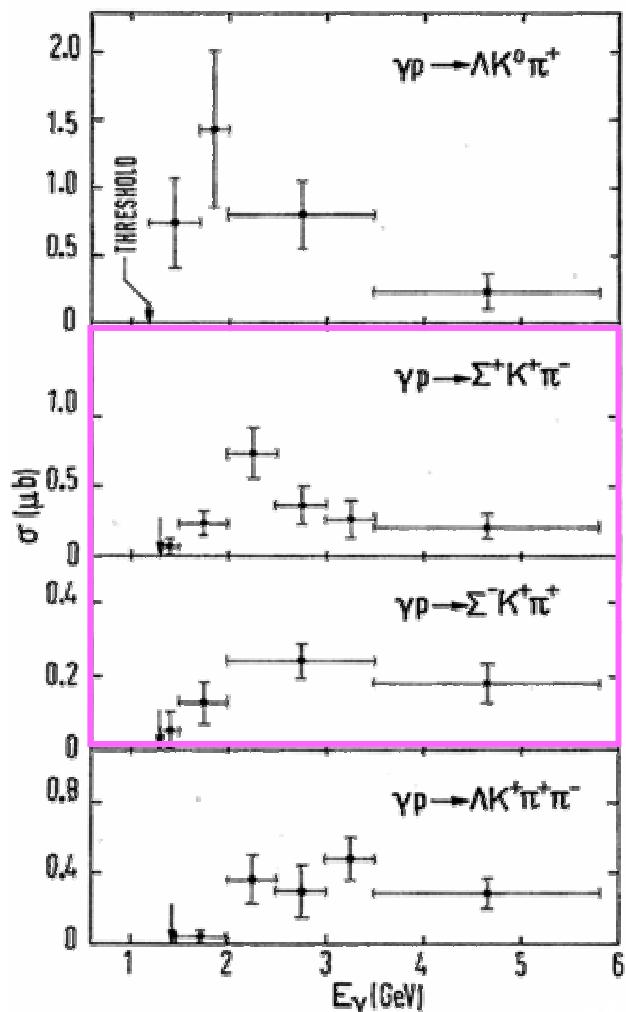


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# Old $\Lambda(1405)$ Data



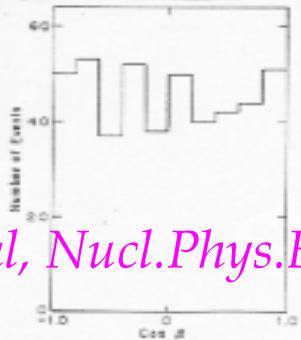
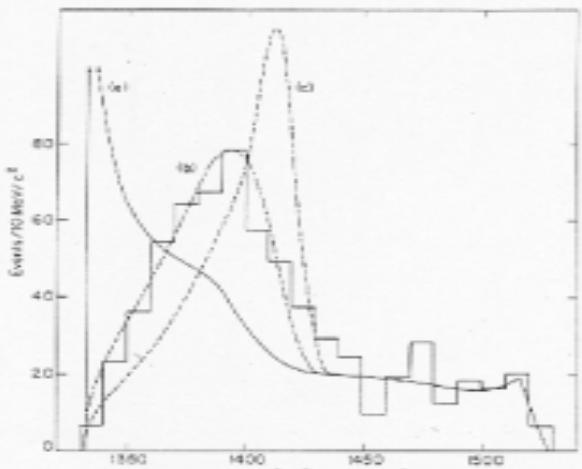
*ABBHHM Collaboration (1969) HBC Data*  
*“Multipion- and Strange Particle Photoproduction on Protons at Energies up to 5.8 GeV”*

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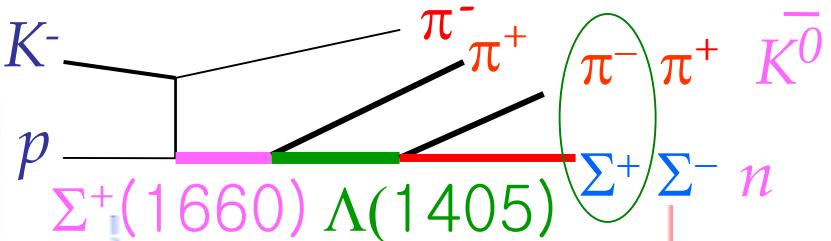
$\pi^- p$  interactions at  $1.6 \text{ GeV}/c$

D. W. Thomas et al.,  $\pi^- p$  interactions at  $1.69 \text{ GeV}/c$

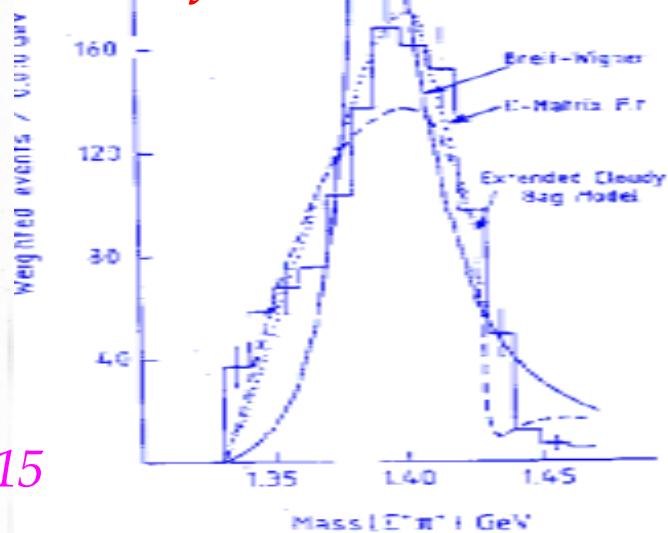


Thomas et al, *Nucl.Phys.B* 56 (1973) 15

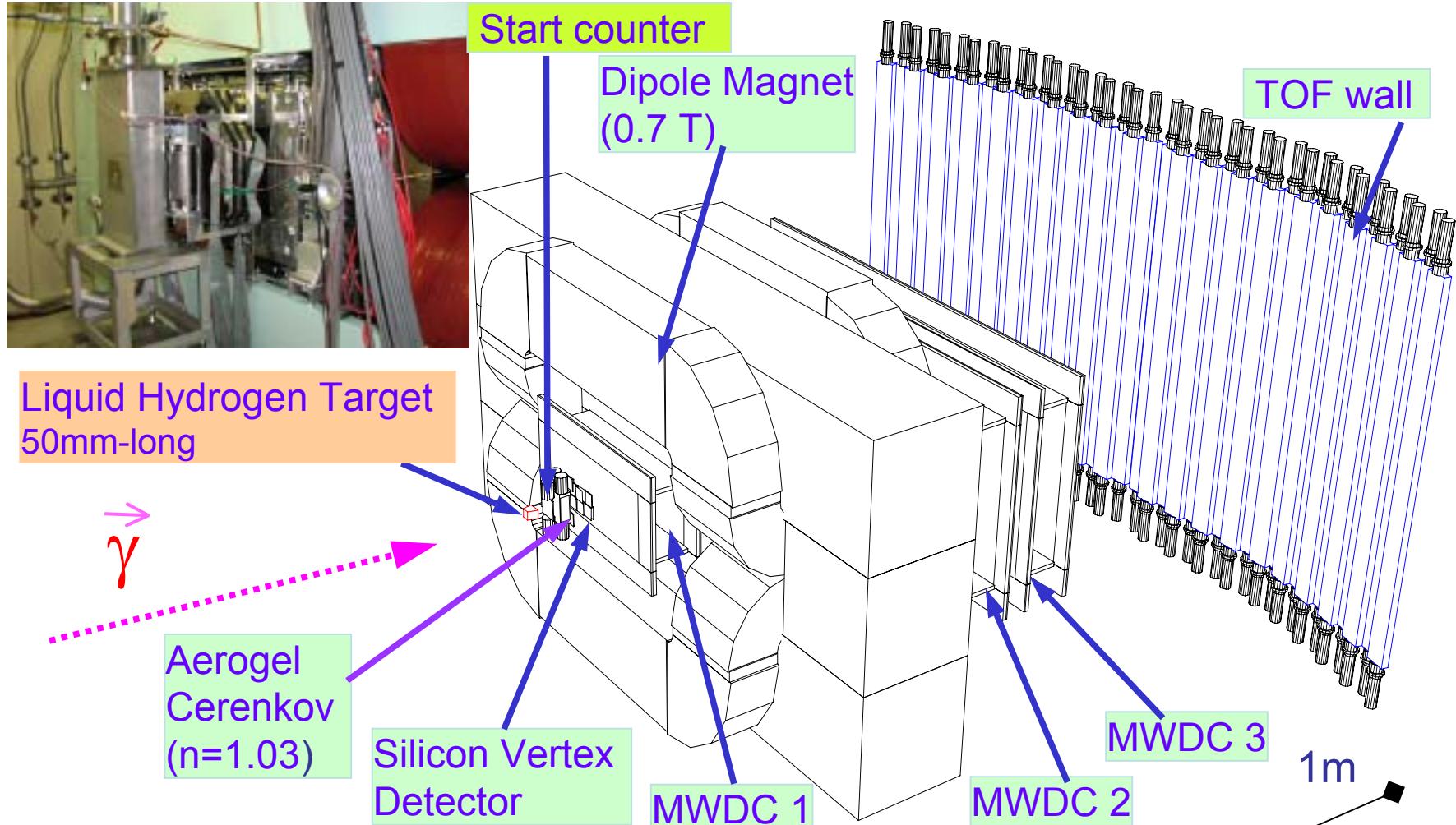
Fig. 4. Distribution of  $\cos \theta$  for the decay  $\Lambda(1405) \rightarrow \Sigma \pi$  where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\vec{\pi}$  and the production vector in the  $\Lambda(1405)$  rest frame.



PDG refers to this data only



Hemingway's Data *NPB* 253 (1984) 742

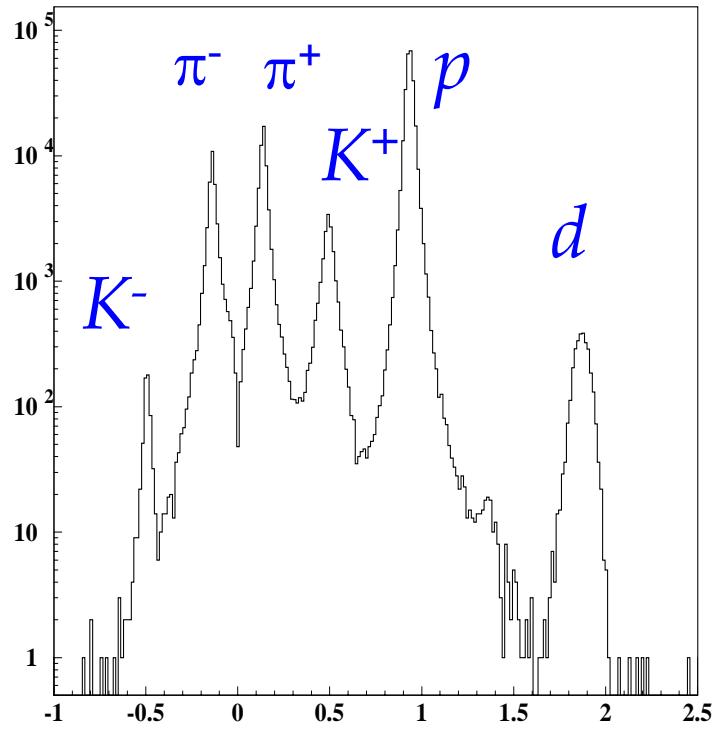
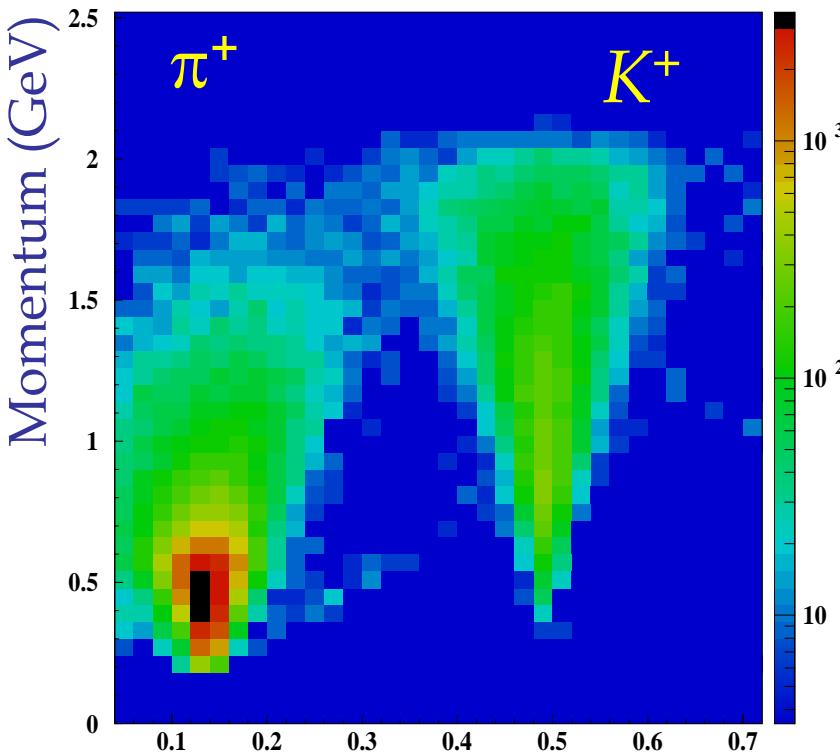




# Particle Identification



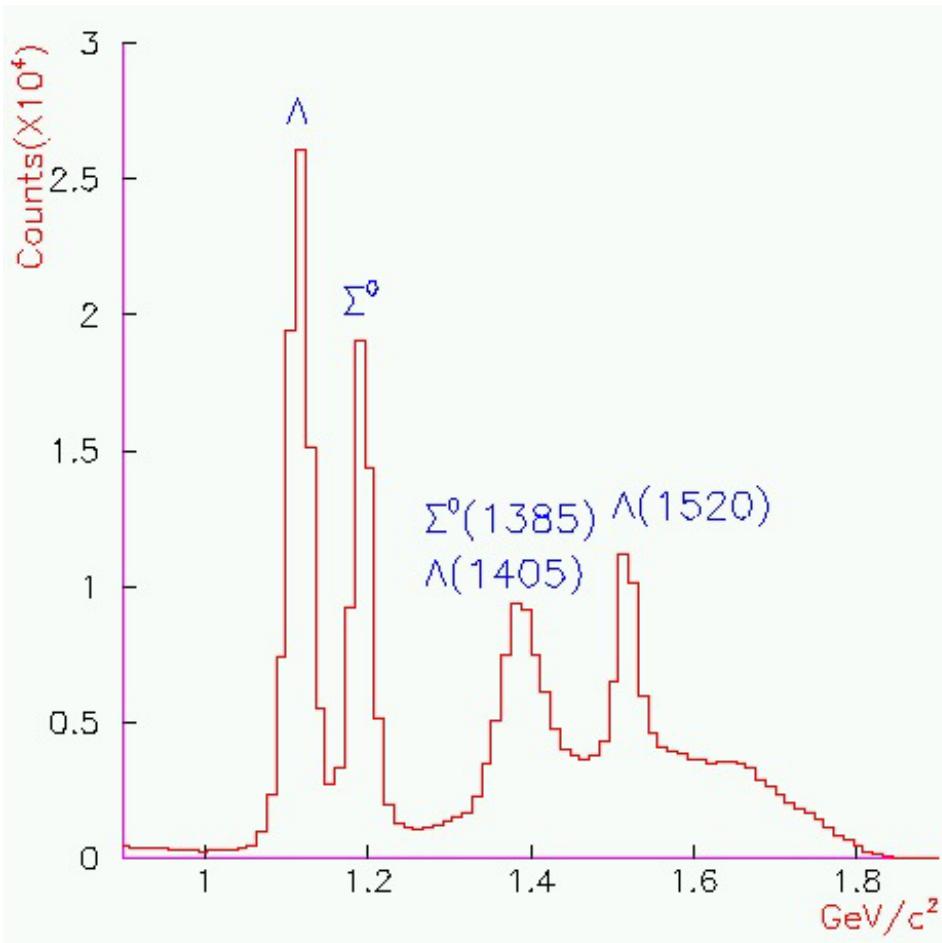
Reconstructed mass

K/ $\pi$  separation (+ve charge)

Mass/Charge (GeV)

 $\sigma(\text{mass}) = 30 \text{ MeV}(\text{typ.})$  for 1 GeV/c Kaon

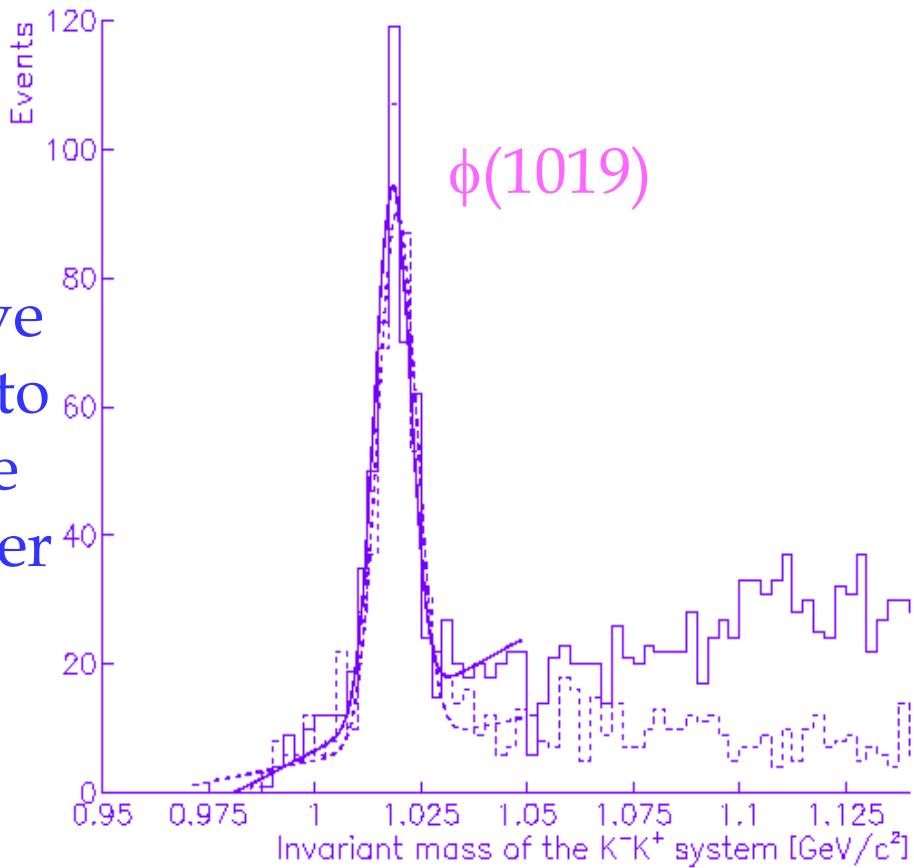
- 50mm LH2 target run  
(Dec 2000 – Jun 2001)
- $2 \times 10^6 \gamma/\text{s}$  flux
- $2 \times 10^{12} \gamma$  in 1.5-2.4 GeV
- $3 \times 10^5 (\gamma, \text{K}^+)$  events
- # of tagged  $\gamma$ 's = 1
- Tracking  $P(\chi^2) > 0.02$
- $4\sigma(p)$  PID cut
- ToF hit consistency
- Vertex cut



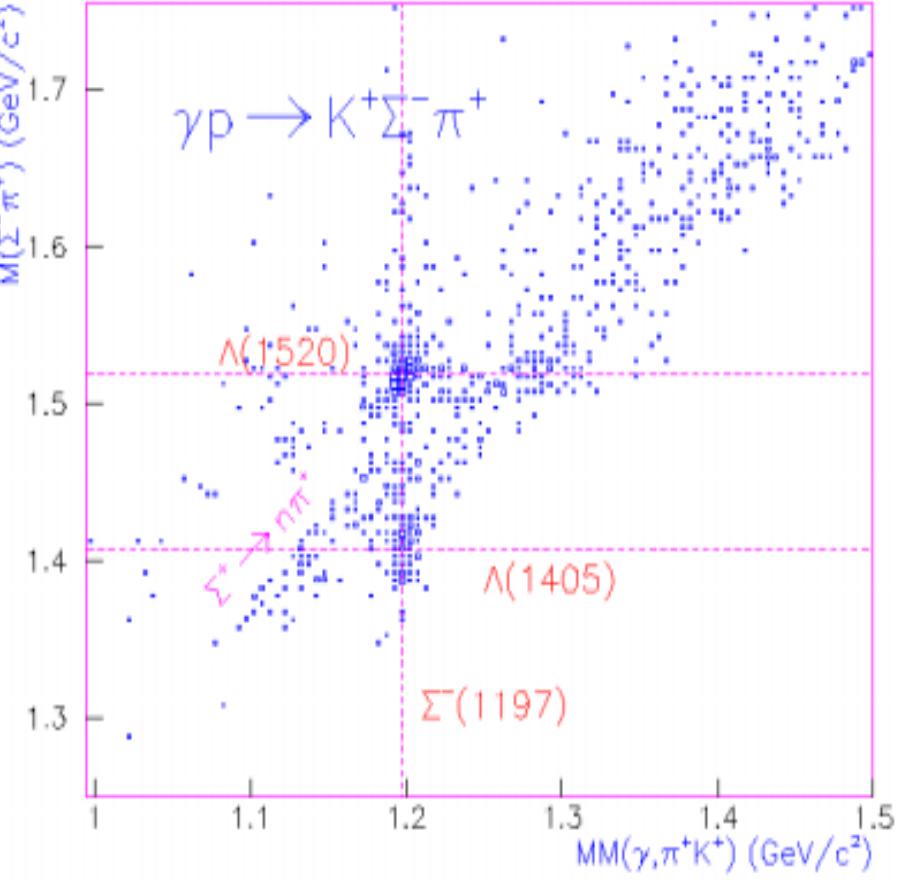
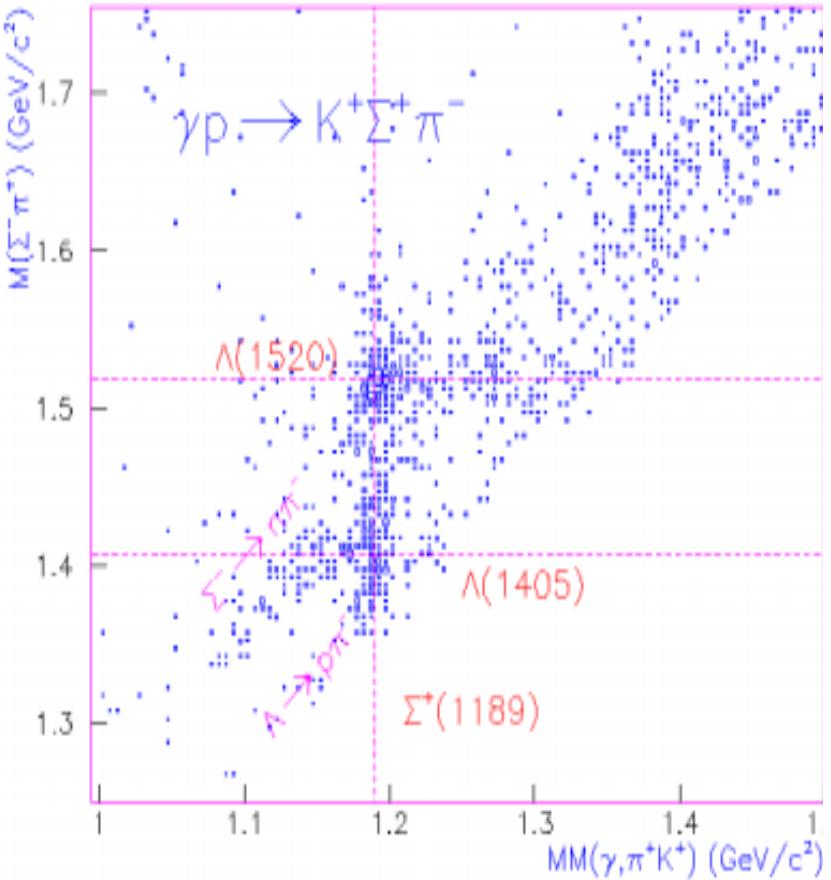
$$\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Sigma^+ \pi^-$$

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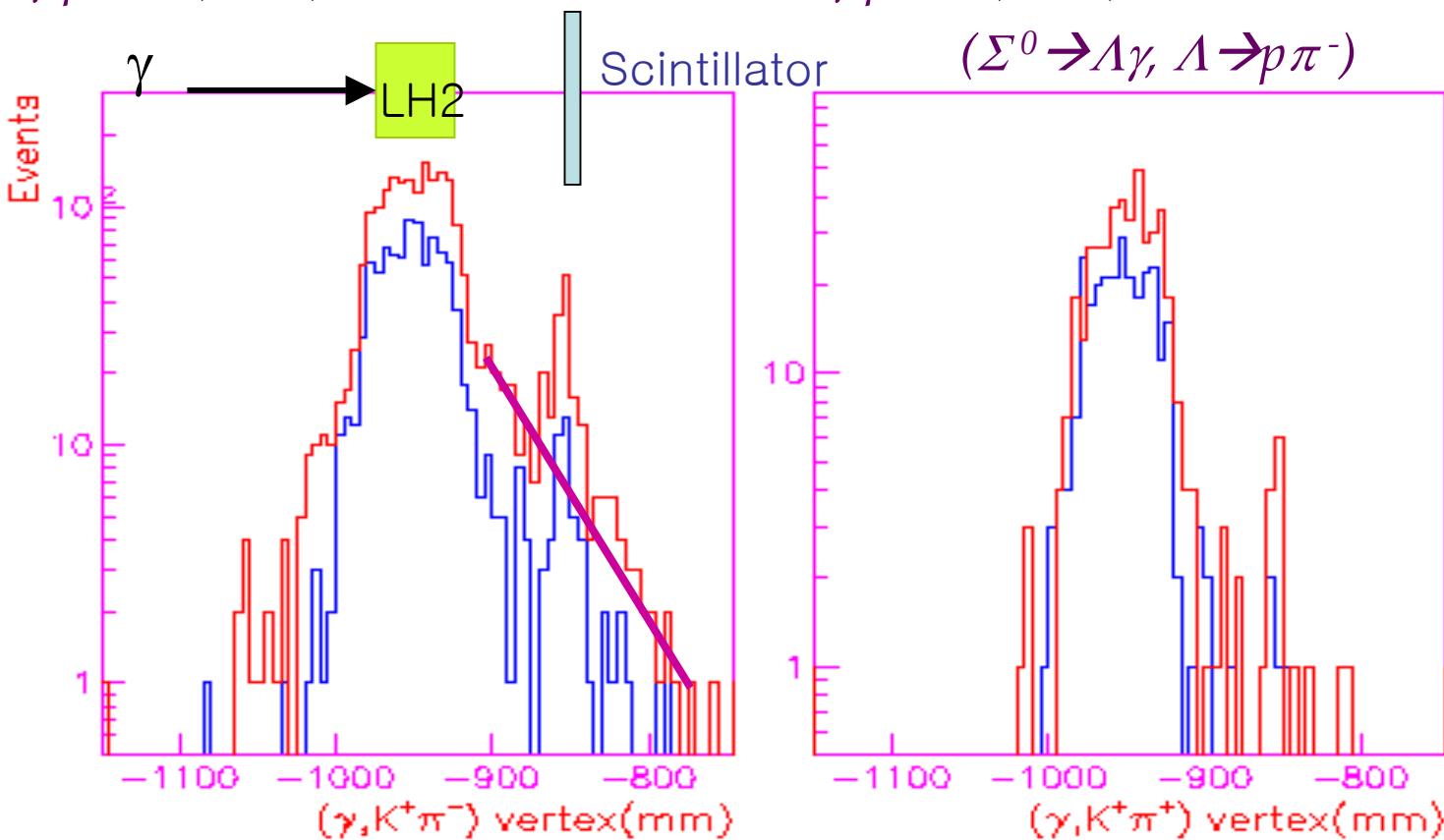
- Equal Acceptance for +ve and -ve particles thank to good performance of the LEPS dipole spectrometer
- $\phi(1019)$  reconstruction from  $p(\gamma, K^- p) K^+$  and  $p(\gamma, K^+ p) K^-$



# p( $\gamma$ ,K<sup>+</sup> $\pi$ ) Reactions



# Vertex Distributions

 $\gamma p \rightarrow \Lambda(1405) K^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^+ \pi^- K^+$ 
 $\gamma p \rightarrow \Lambda(1405) K^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^- \pi^+ K^+$ 
 $\gamma p \rightarrow \Lambda(1405) K^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \pi^0 K^+$ 
 $\gamma p \rightarrow \Sigma(1385) K^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^0 K^+$ 
 $(\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma, \Lambda \rightarrow p \pi^-)$ 




# Closest Distance

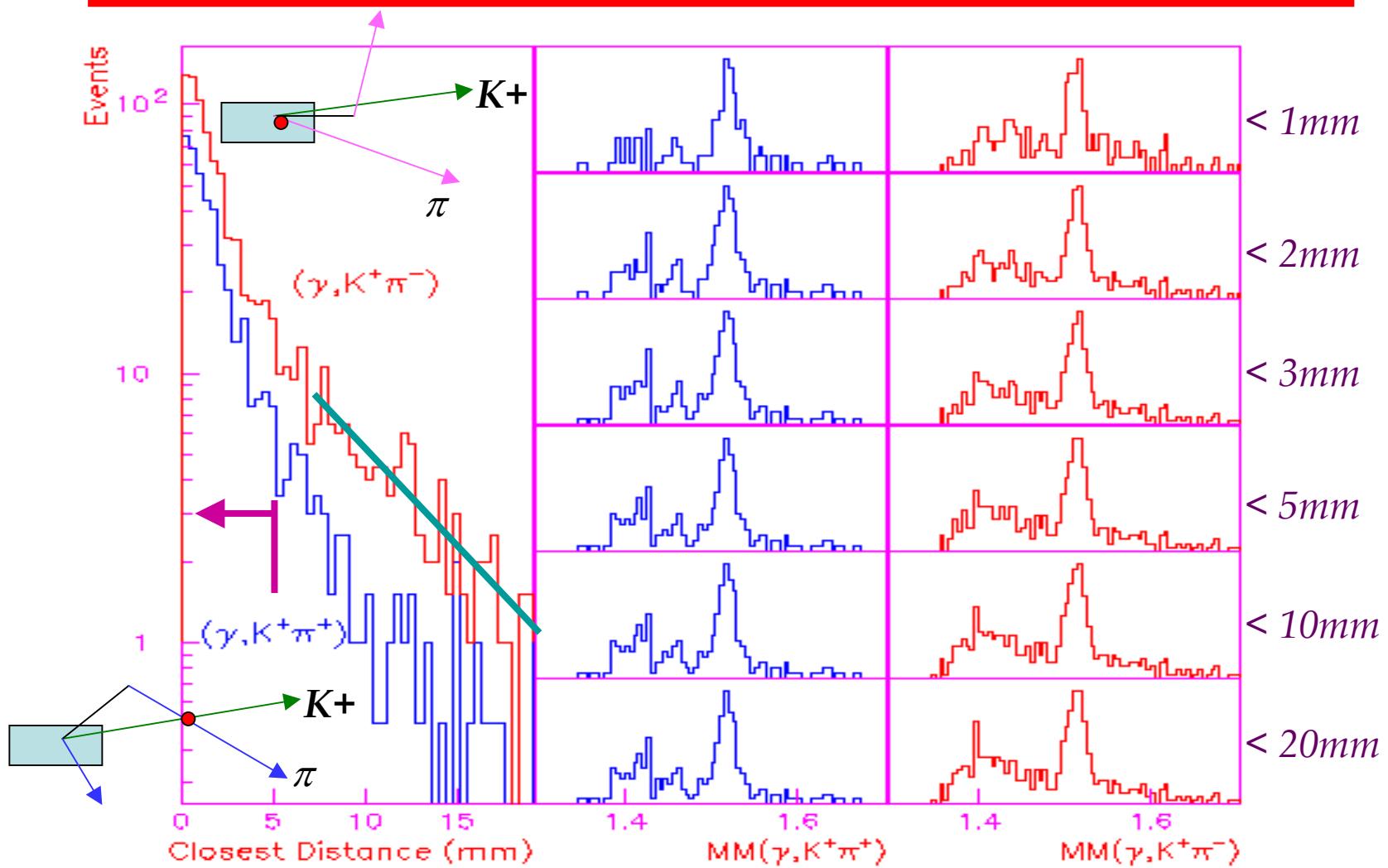


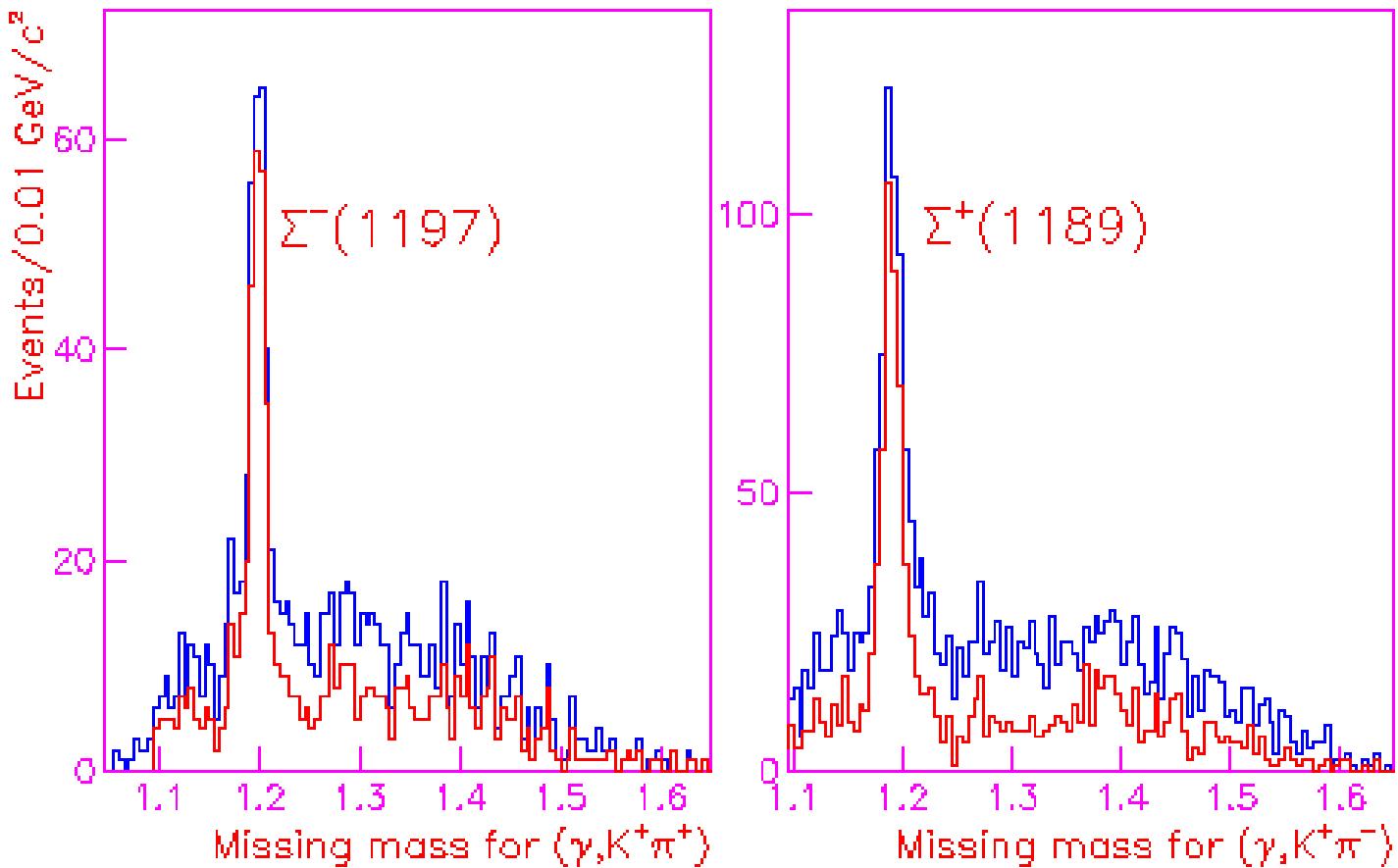
Motivation

Experiment

Results

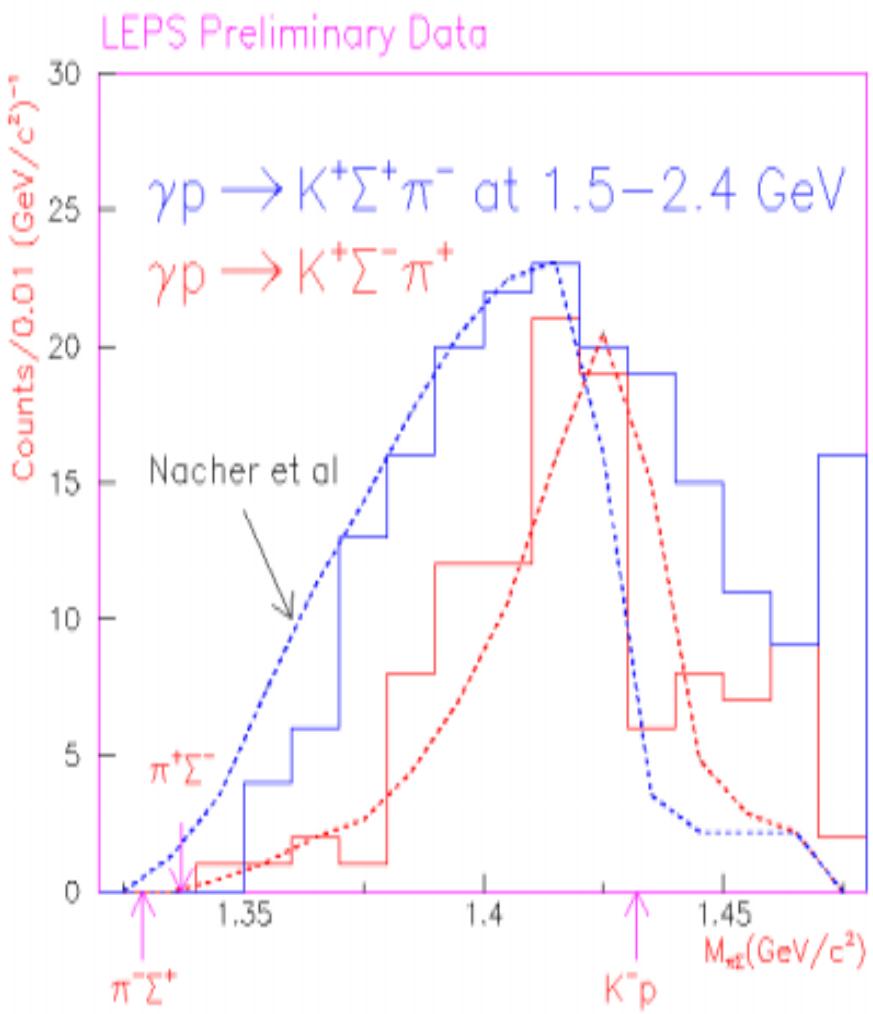
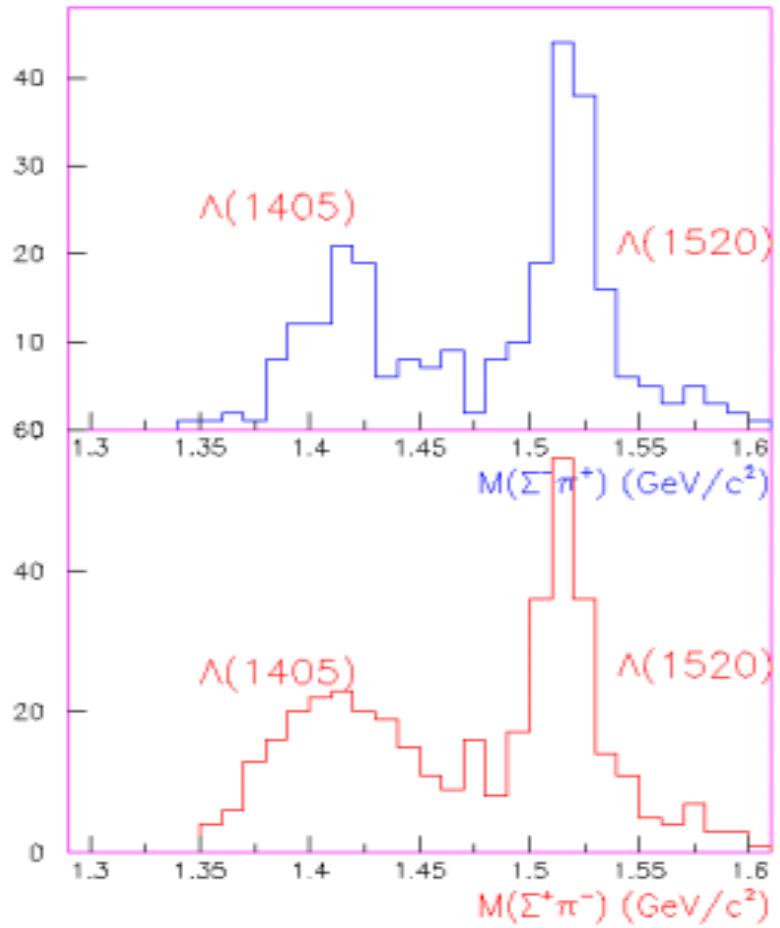
Outlook



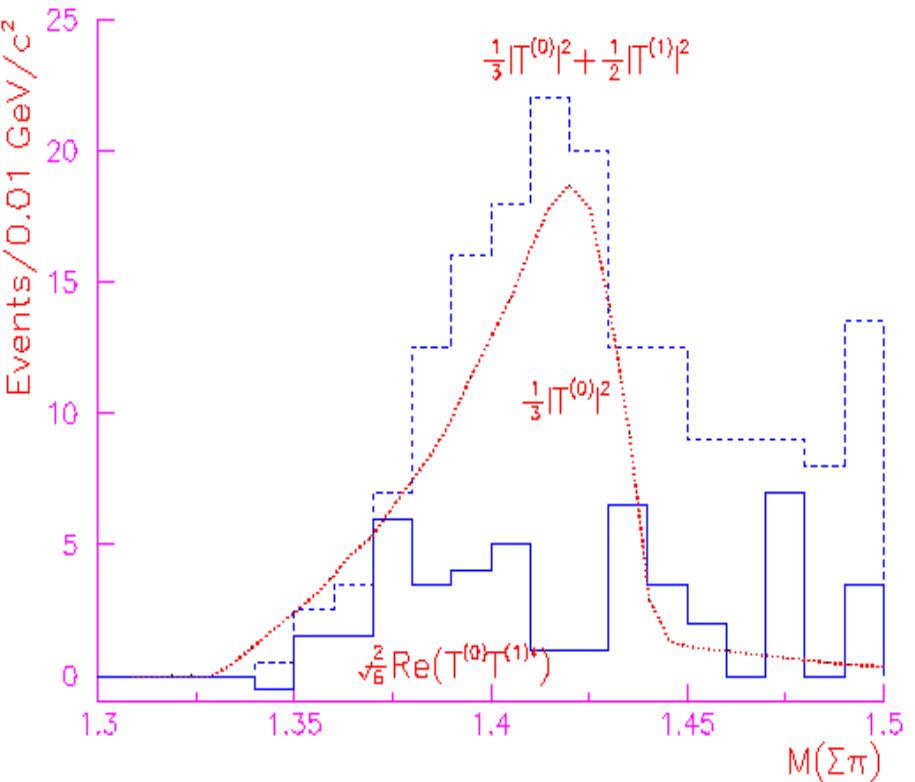




# Lineshape of the $\Lambda(1405)$



# I=0, I=1 Amplitudes



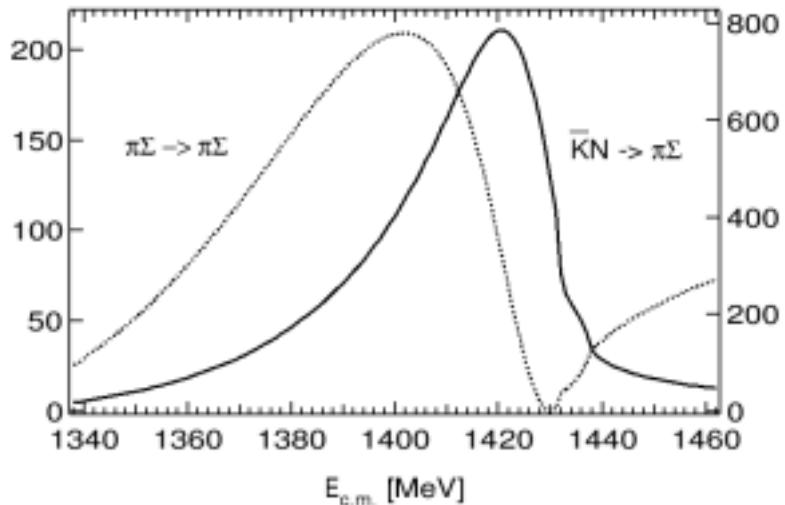
*Without negligible I=2 contribution, the difference of the two charged channels shed some light on the I=1 amplitude contribution.*

*The sum of cross-sections for the two channels provides information on the I=0 dominant lineshape.*

# Two $\Lambda(1405)$ States?



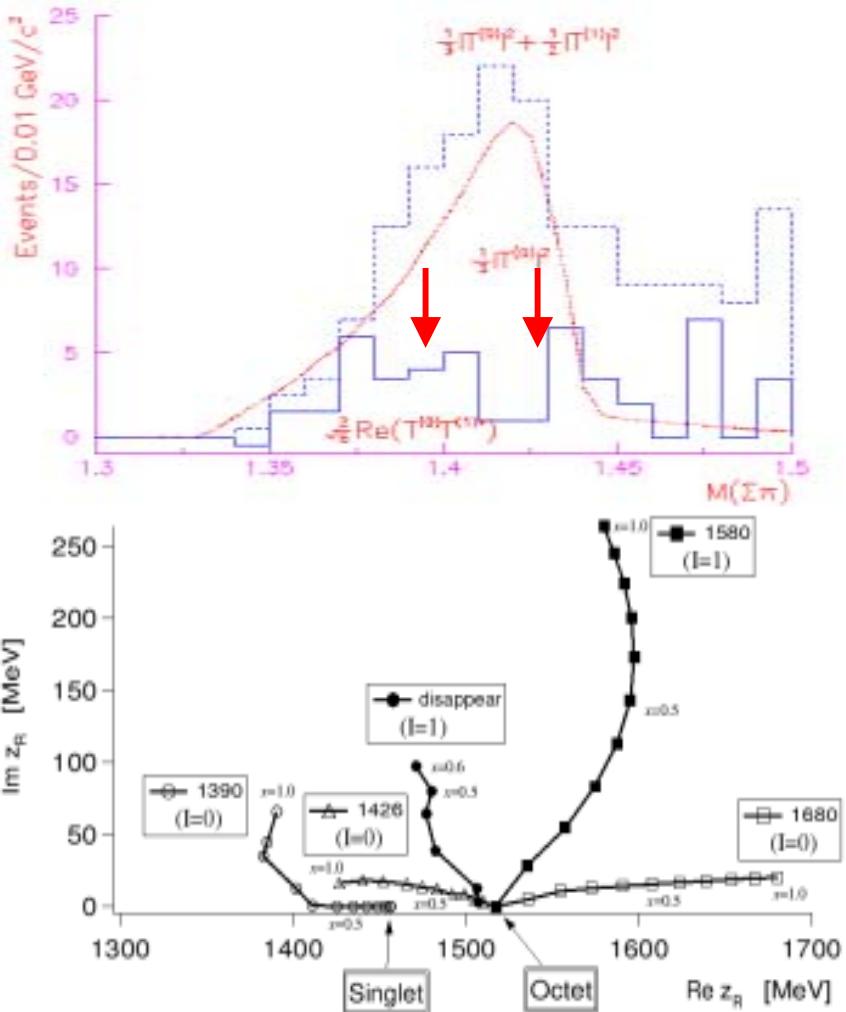
*Chiral Unitary Approach*



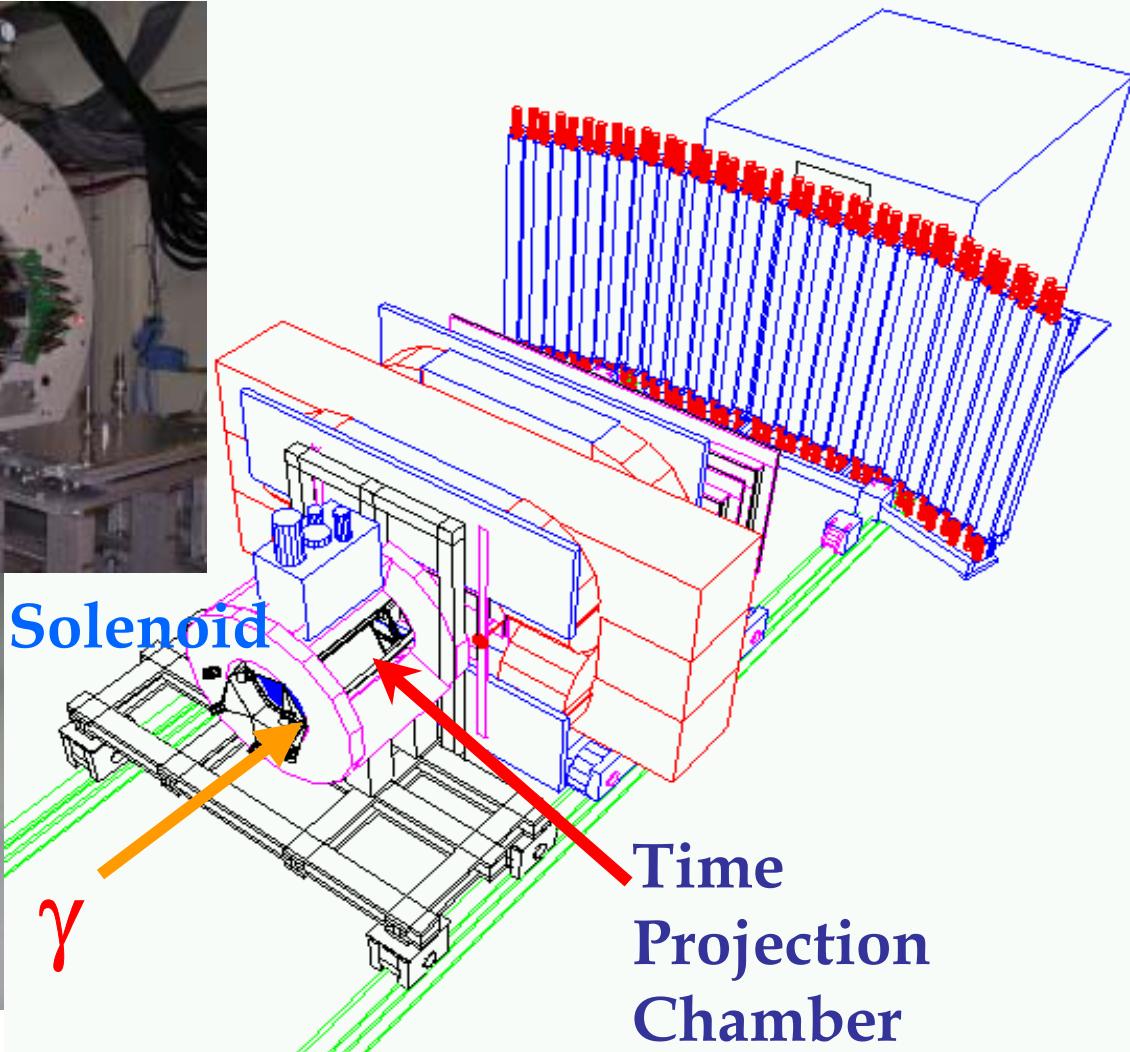
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dM_i} = C |T_{\pi\Sigma \rightarrow \pi\Sigma}|^2 q_{c.m.}$$

$|T_{\bar{K}N \rightarrow \pi\Sigma}|^2 q_\pi$  and  $|T_{\pi\Sigma \rightarrow \pi\Sigma}|^2 q_\pi$

D. Jido et al., nucl-th/0303062

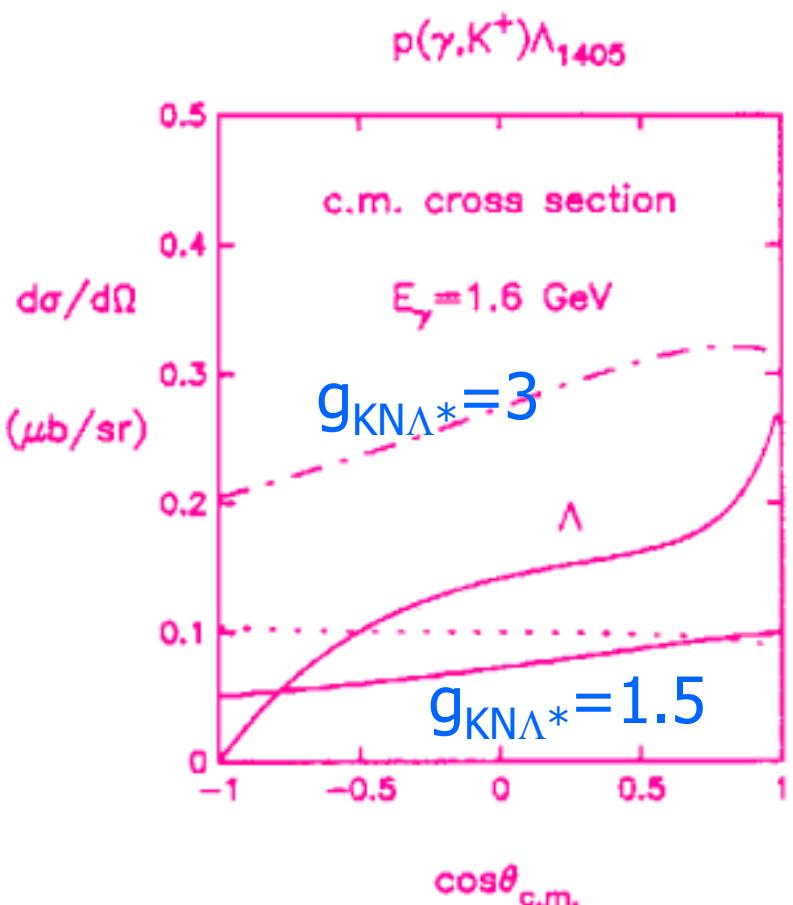


# Experiment with TPC

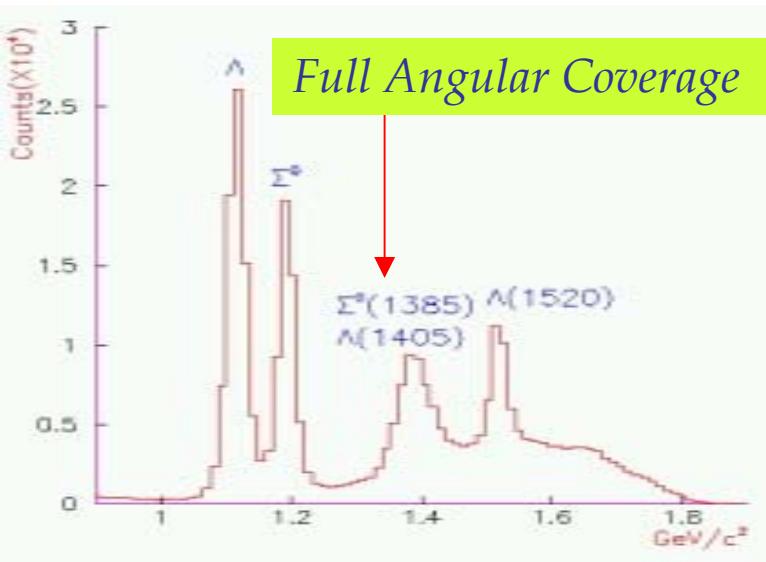


# Differential Cross Section

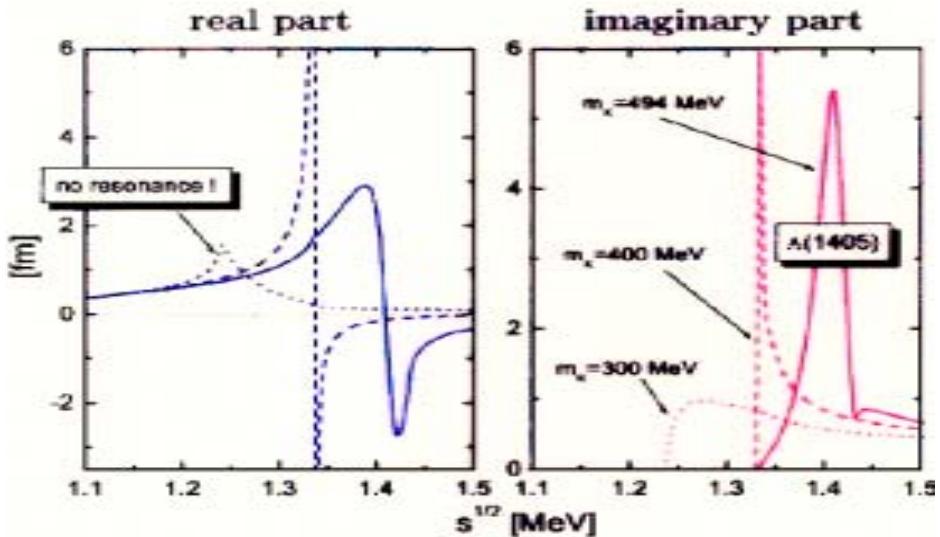
*Williams et al, PRC 43 (1991)452*



$d\sigma/d\Omega$  is sensitive  
to the strong coupling  
constant  $g_{K\bar{N}\Lambda}(1405)$



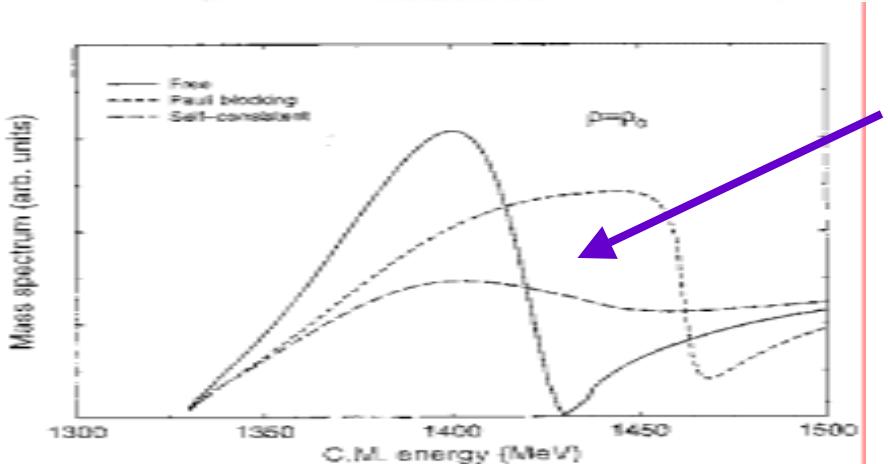
# $\Lambda(1405)$ in Nuclear Medium



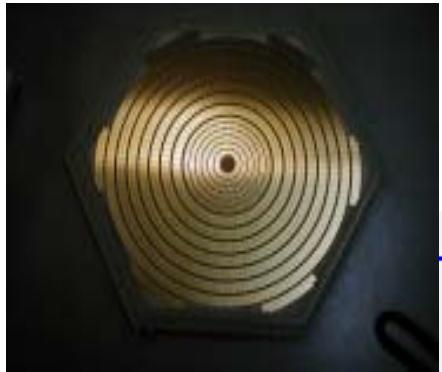
Lutz, Kolomeitsev  
NPA 700 (2002) 193

Disappears at  $m_K = 300$  MeV

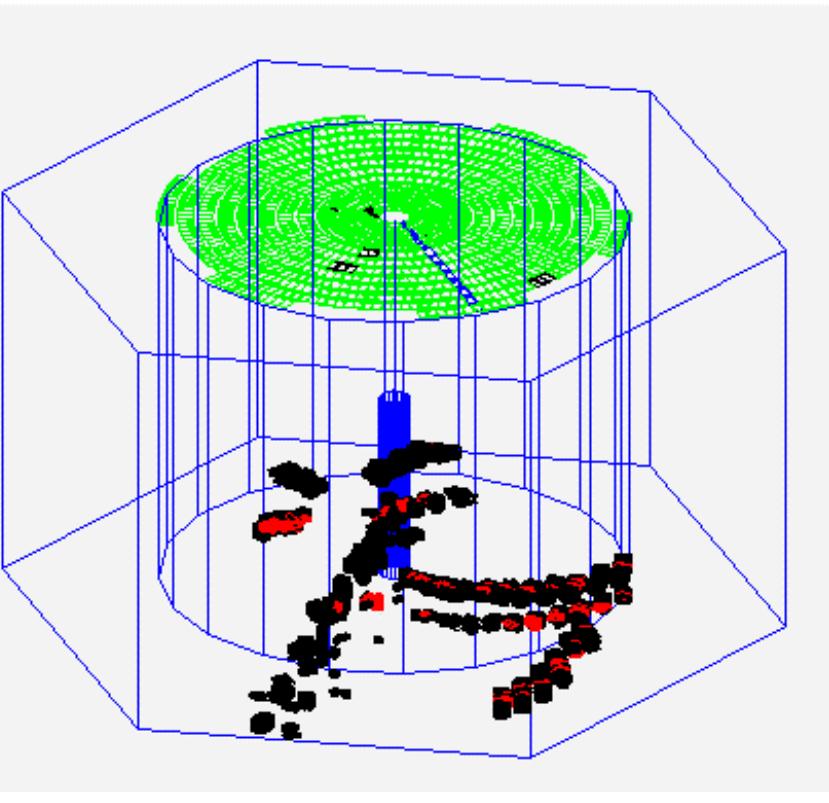
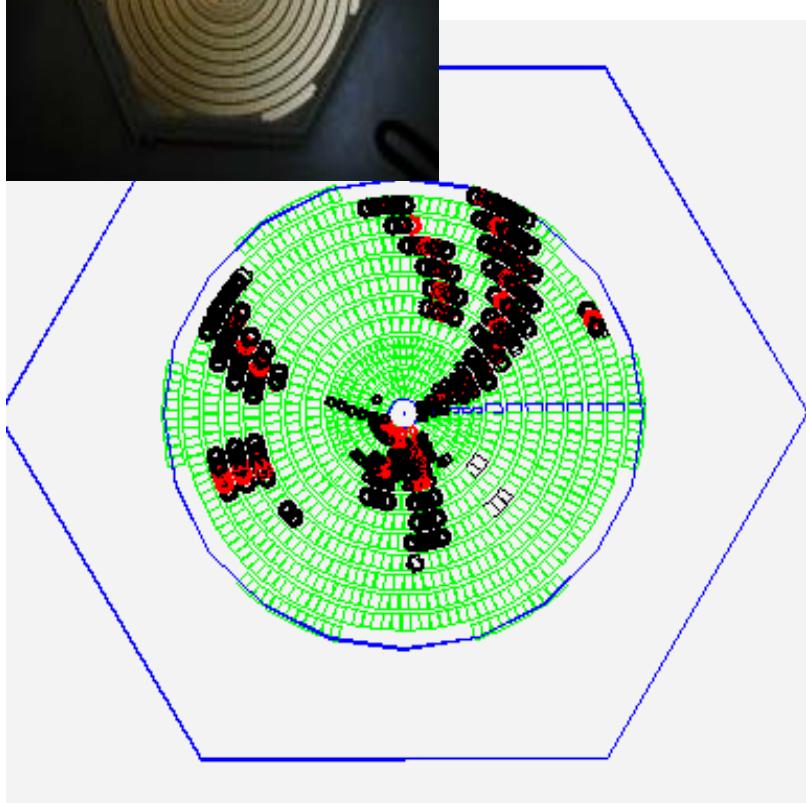
Aiming at Detecting  
Any possible change  
in Mass and/or Width  
of the  $\Lambda(1405)$



Nacher, Oset, Toki, Ramos  
PLB 455 (1999) 55



*The First Beam Test Has Yielded Very Good Performance of the SPring-8 TPC*





# Summary



## *Photoproduction of $\Lambda(1405)$ at LEPS*

*( $4\pi$  tracking = Dipole + Solenoid Spectrometer)*

- *Our preliminary  $\Lambda(1405)$  results supports the interpretation of a meson-baryon coupled-channel resonance.*
- *Physics run with TPC and nuclear targets is planned from this spring through this summer.*