

Spin-exotic search in the $\rho\pi$ decay channel:
**First results on $\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0$ in comparison
to $\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$ final states**
(diffractively produced on proton)



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Outline:

- **Introduction**
 - Spin-exotic mesons & the COMPASS experiment
 - PWA method
- **First results on diffractive 3π production** (2008 proton target data)
 - 3π final states neutral vs. charged mode
 - PWA results on main & small waves
- **Conclusions & outlook**



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COMPASS

Großgeräte der physikalischen
Grundlagenforschung



Motivation: Search for Spin Exotic States



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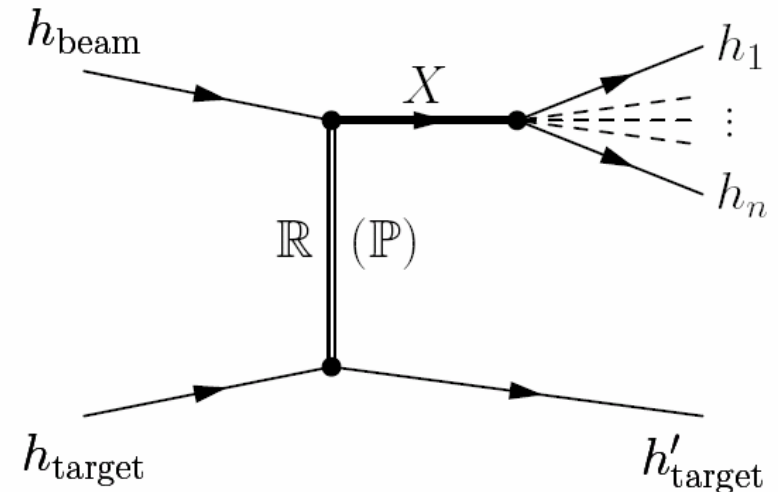
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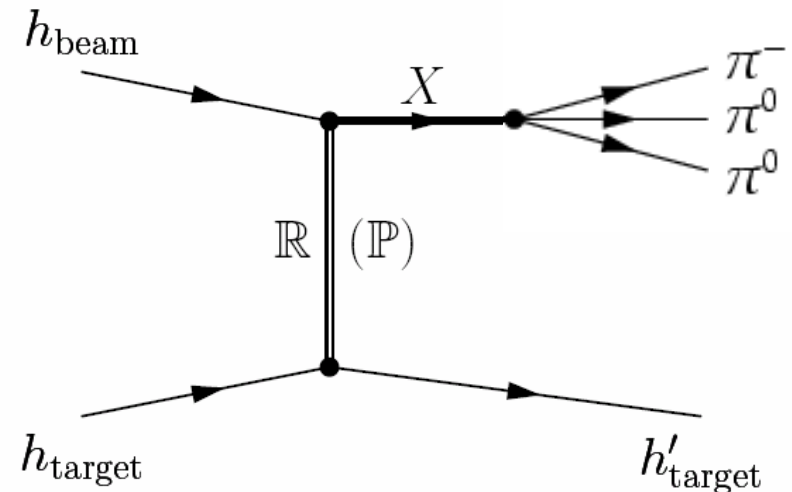
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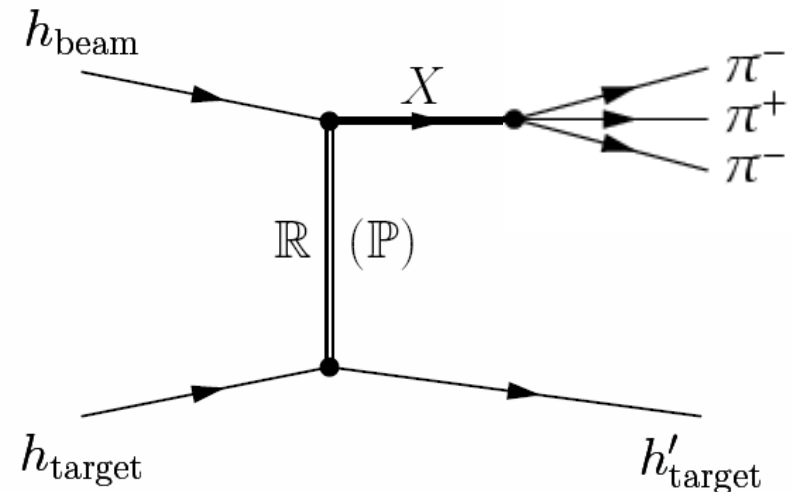
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\rightarrow cf. previous, talk by F. Haas



The COMPASS experiment

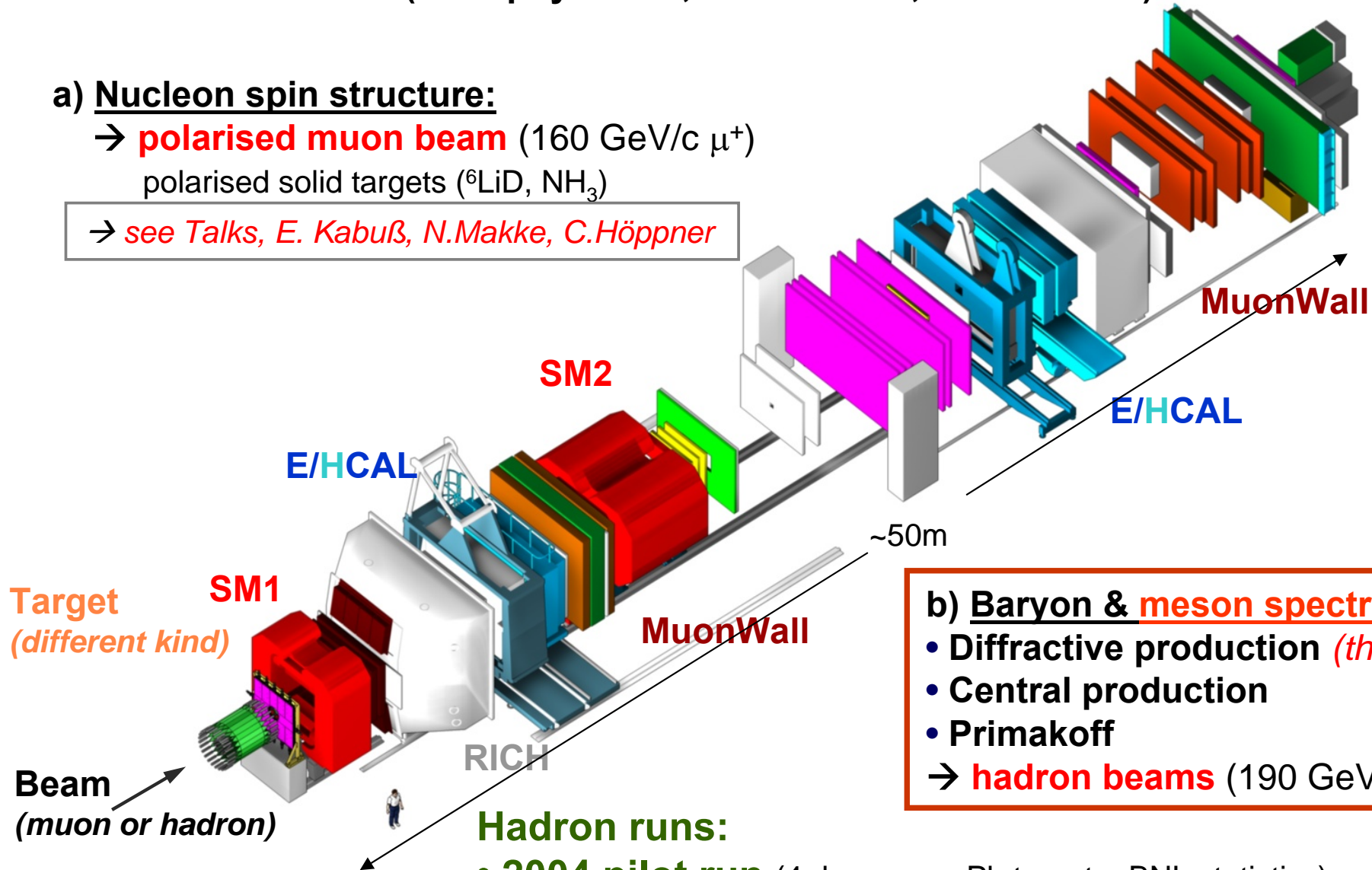


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(~250 physicists, 25 institutes, 10 countries)

a) Nucleon spin structure:

→ **polarised muon beam** (160 GeV/c μ^+)
polarised solid targets (^6LiD , NH_3)

→ see Talks, E. Kabuß, N. Makke, C. Höppner



b) Baryon & meson spectroscopy:

- Diffractive production (*this talk*)
 - Central production
 - Primakoff
- **hadron beams** (190 GeV/c π^- , K^-)

Hadron runs:

- **2004 pilot run** (4 days π^- on Pb target: ~BNL statistics)
- **2008/09** (large statistics (LH_2), π^\pm , K^\pm , p^\pm beam, plus nuclear targets)



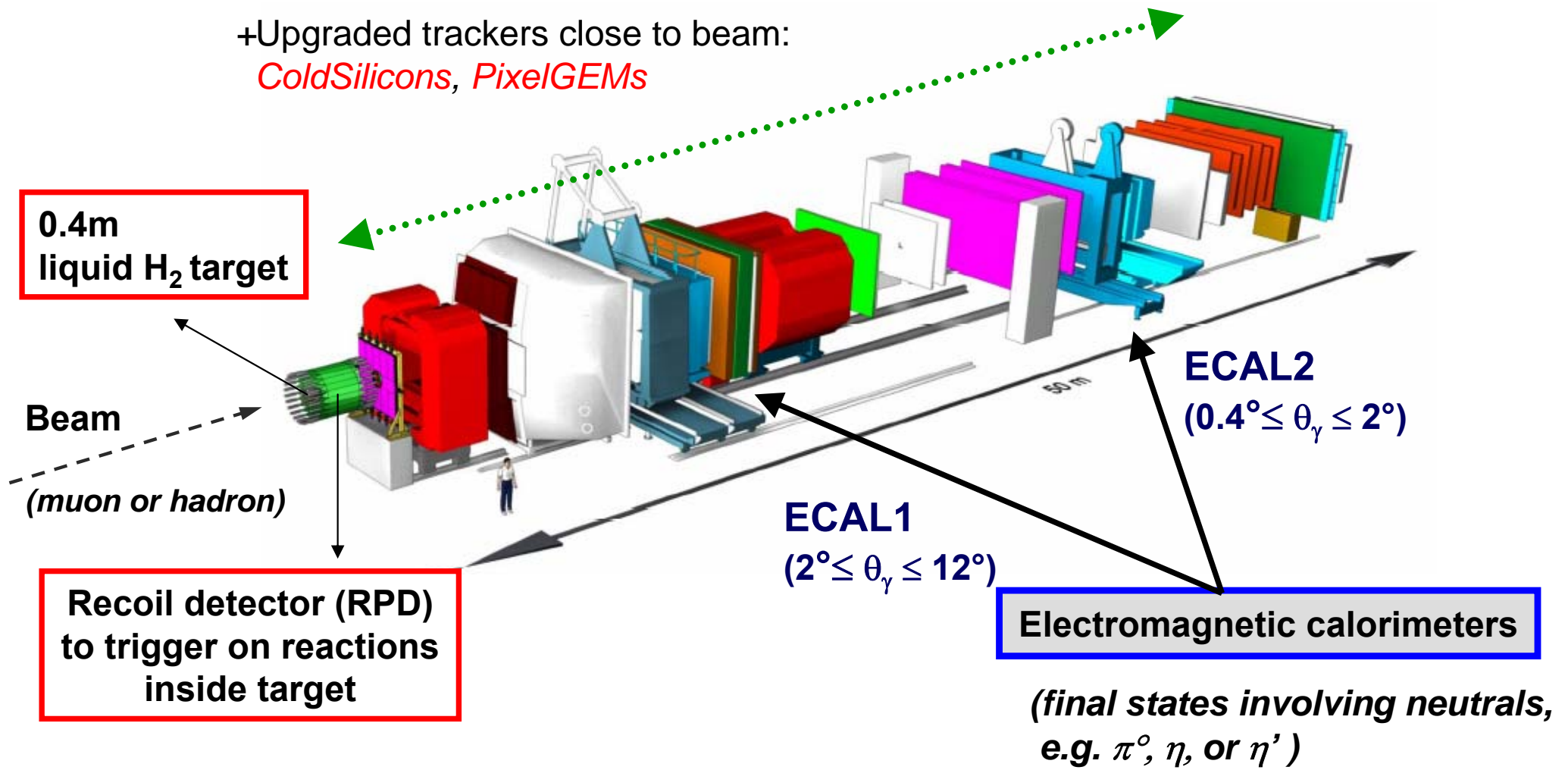
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+Upgraded trackers close to beam:

ColdSilicons, PixelGEMs





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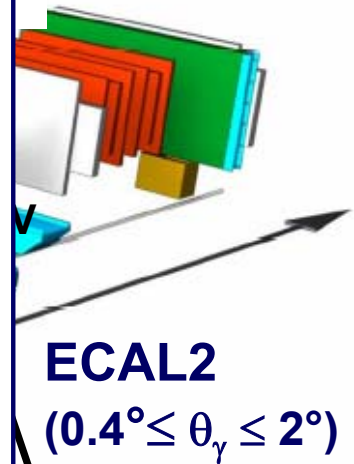
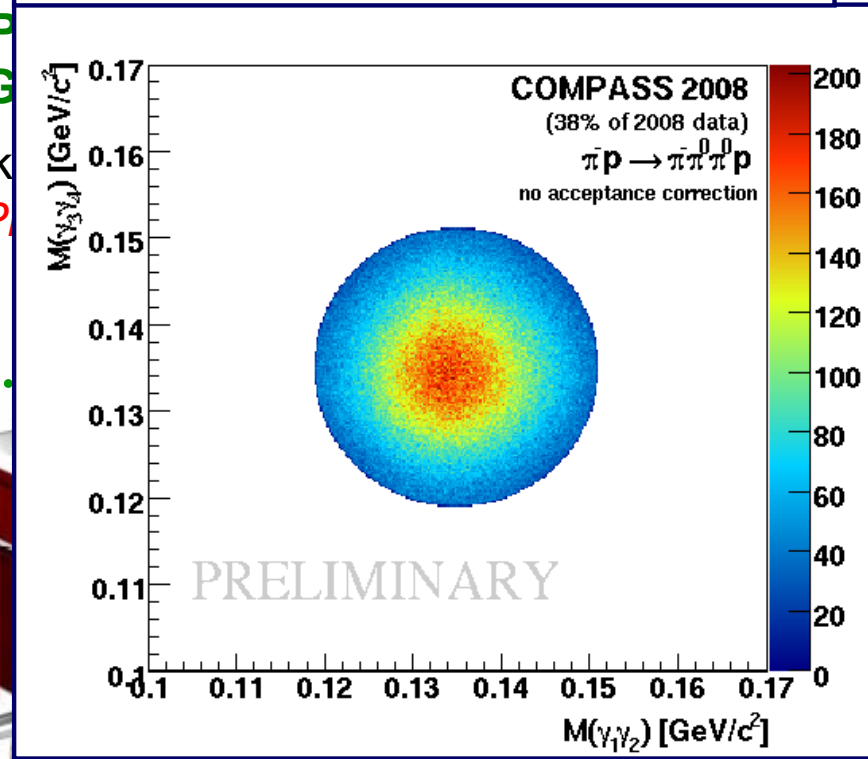
After final cuts on $\Delta\Phi$ and exclusivity:

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+Upgraded tracking
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0.4m
liquid H₂ target

Beam
(muon or hadron)

Recoil detector (RPD)
to trigger on reactions
inside target



ECAL1
($2^\circ \leq \theta_\gamma \leq 12^\circ$)

Electromagnetic calorimeters

(final states involving neutrals,
e.g. π^0 , η , or η')

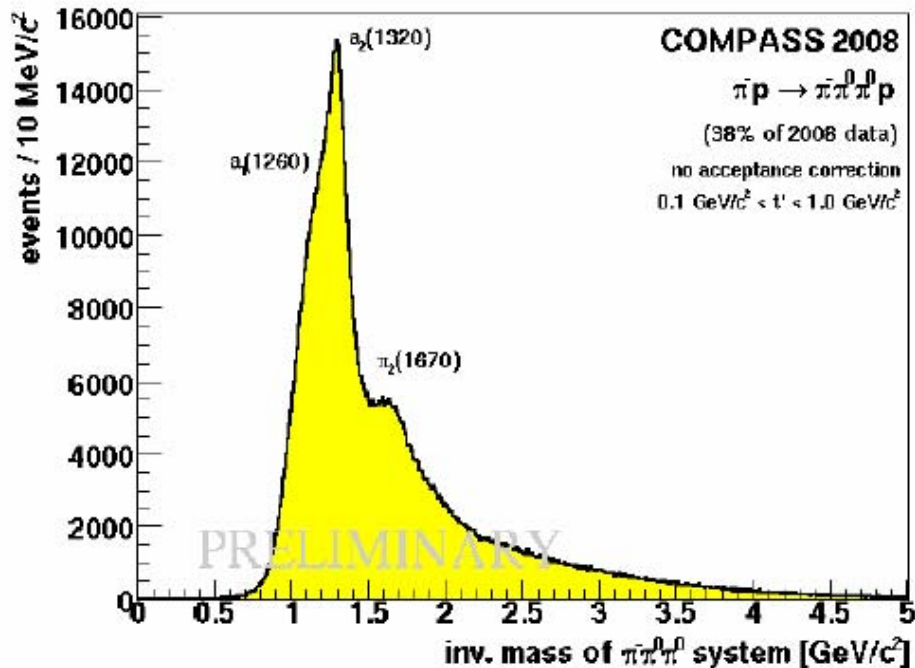


Diffraction dissociation into 3π final states (2008 data, LH₂ target)

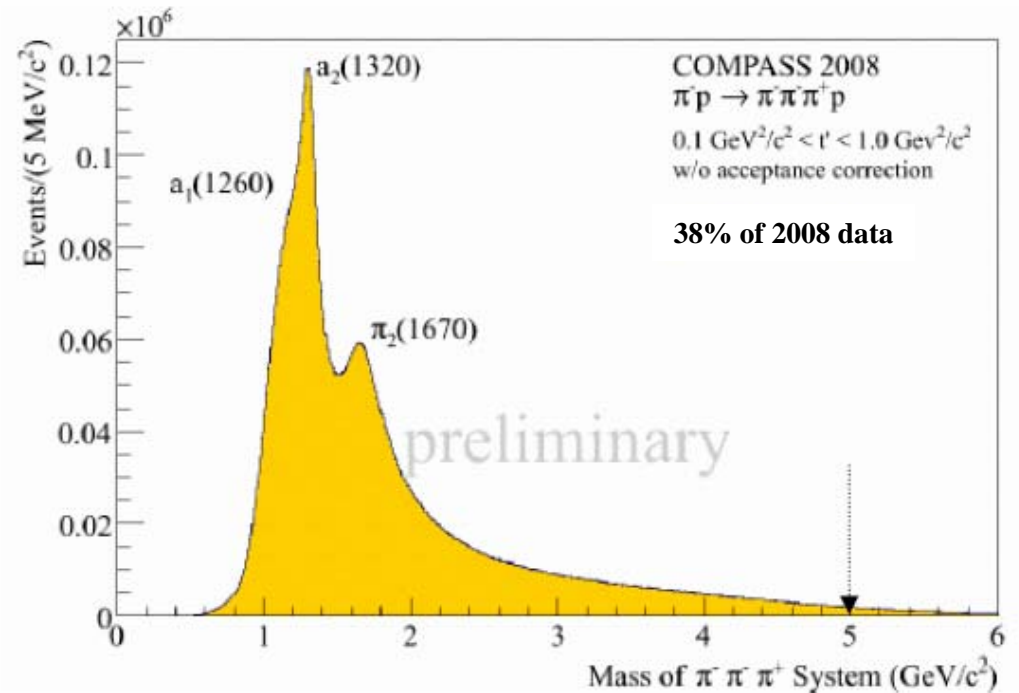


Mass of outgoing 3π system – **neutral mode**: $\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0 p$

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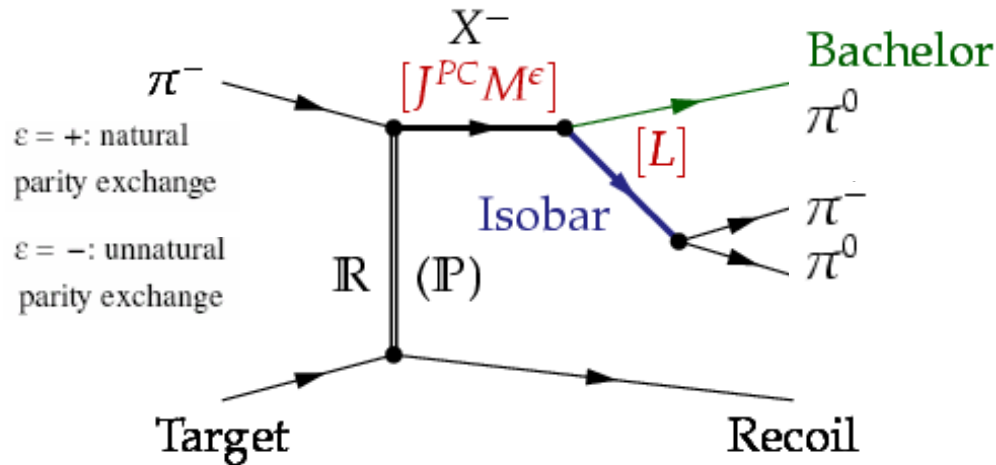
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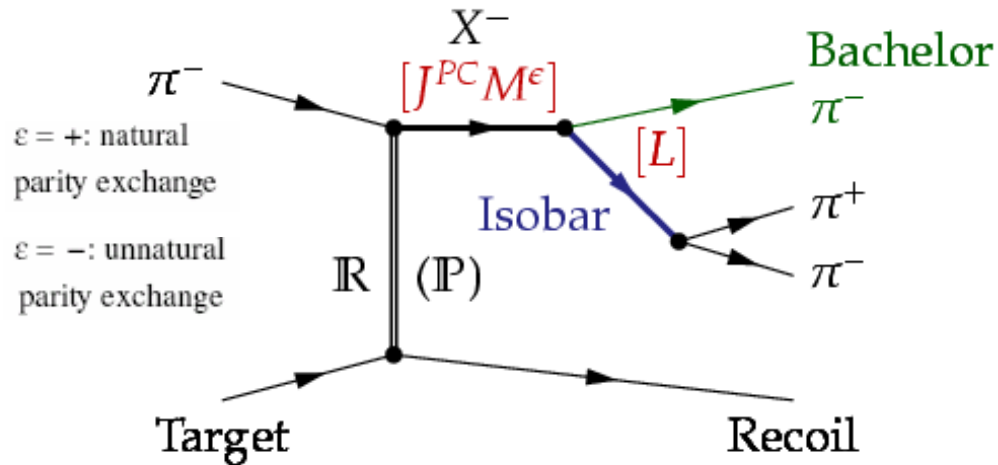
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- Production amplitudes $T_{ir}^\epsilon \rightarrow$ extended maximum likelihood fit
- Decay amplitudes $\psi_i^\epsilon(\tau, m)$ (Zemach tensors, D functions)



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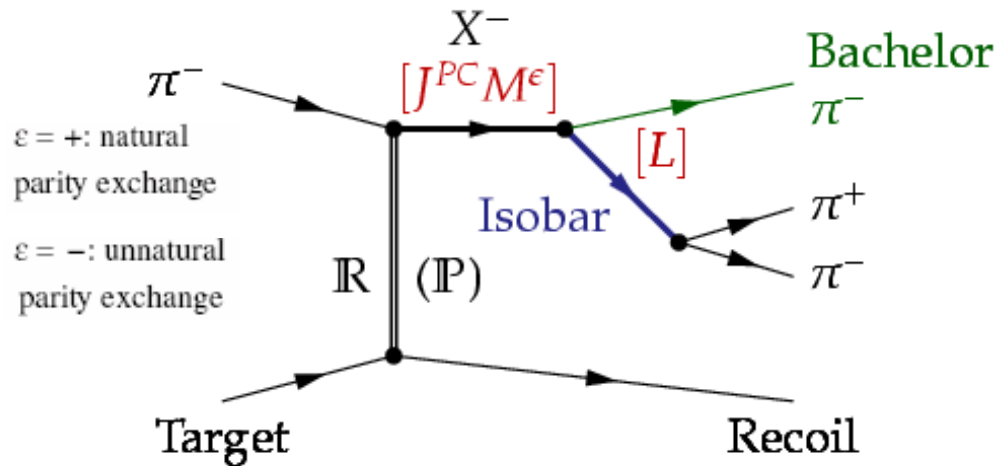
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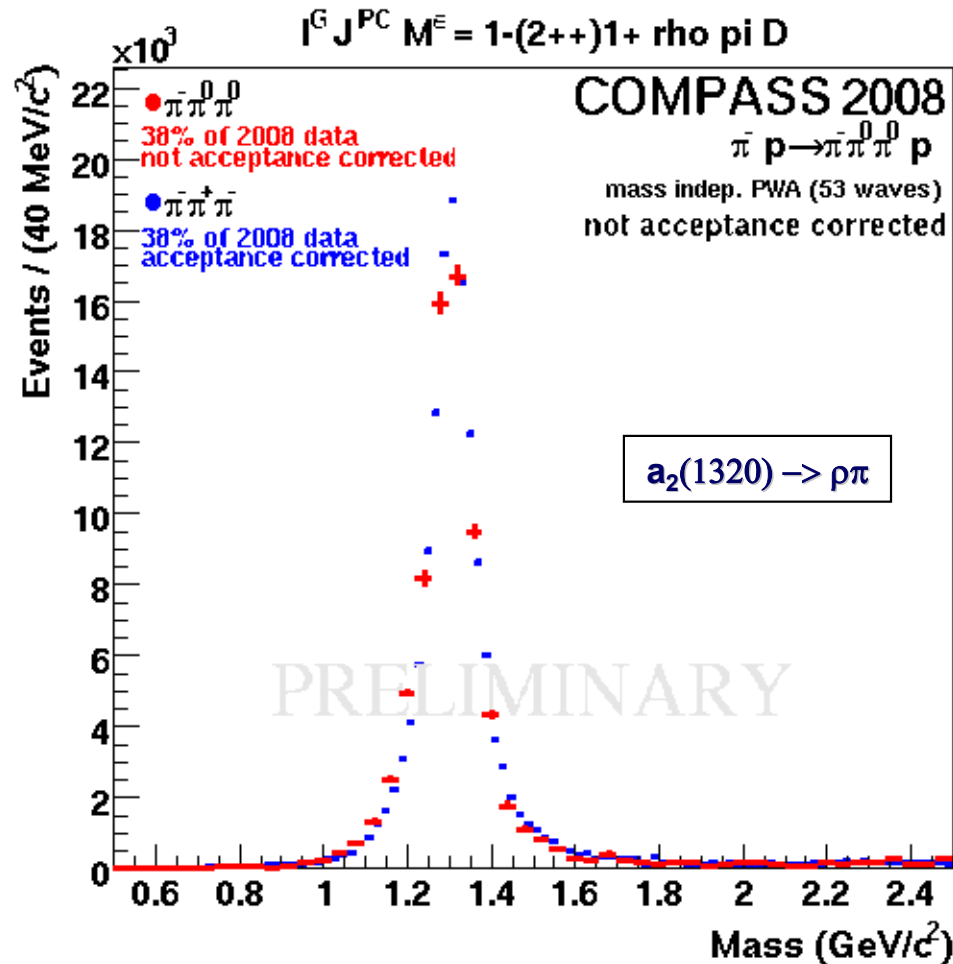
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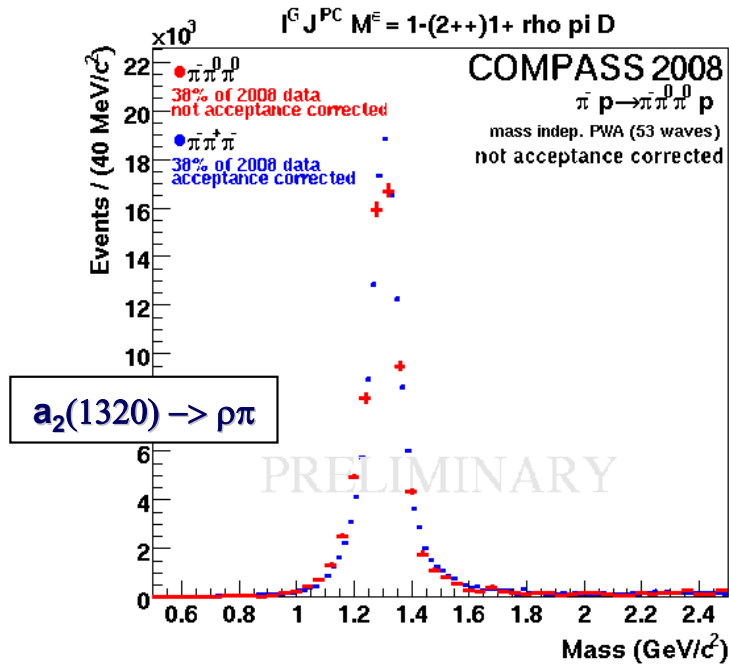
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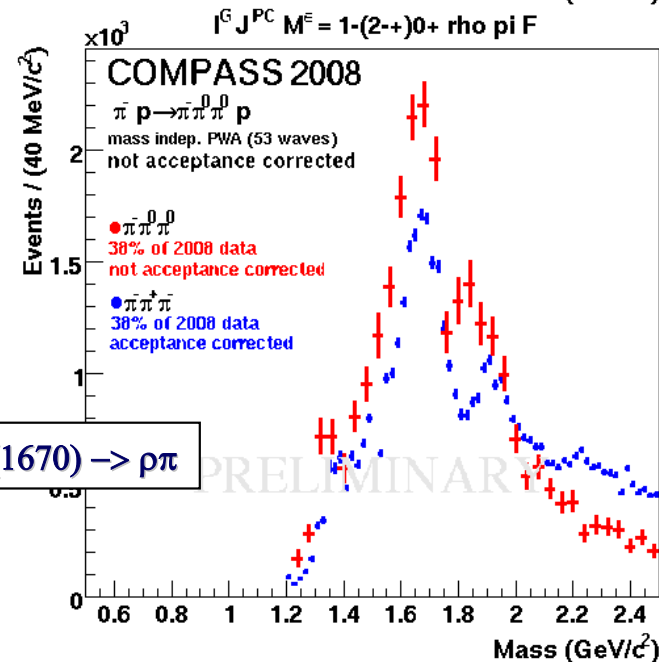
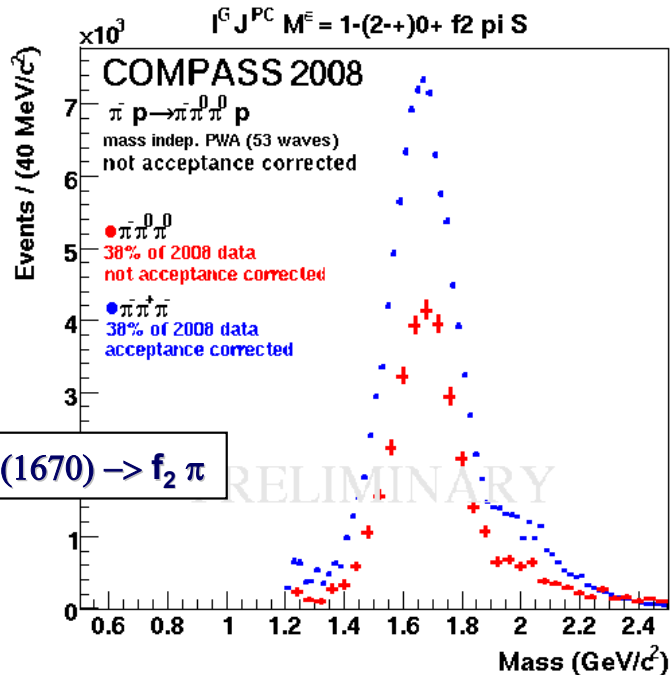
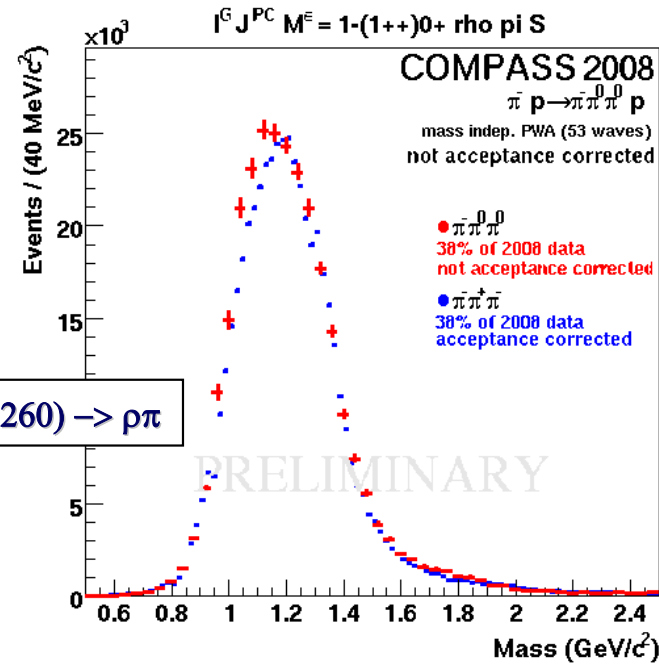
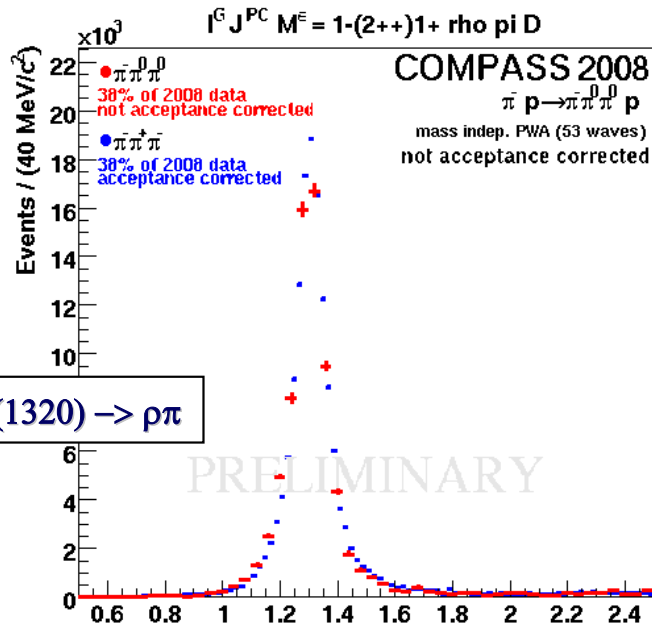
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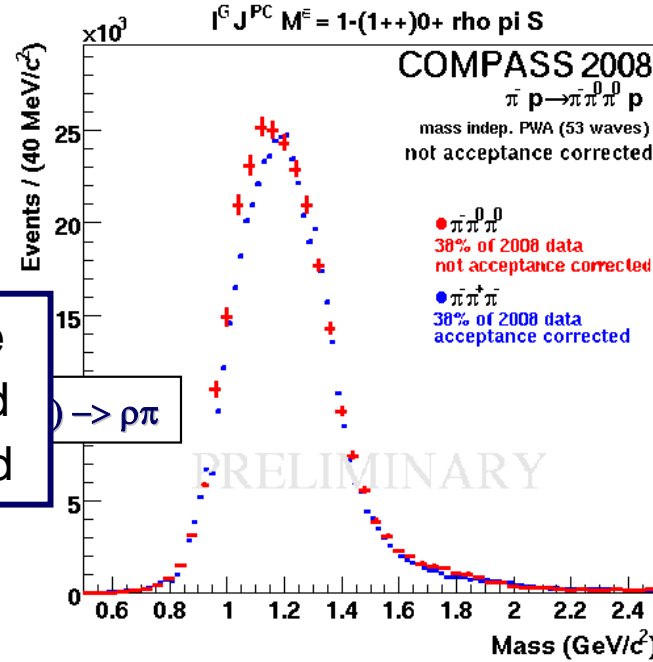
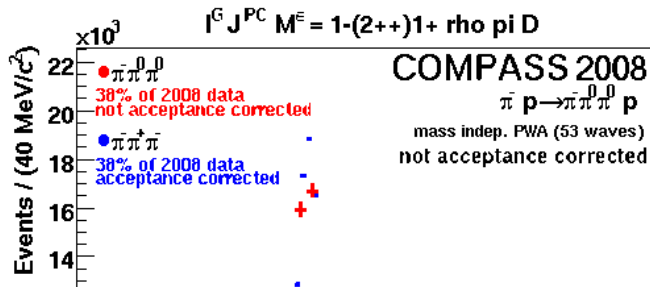


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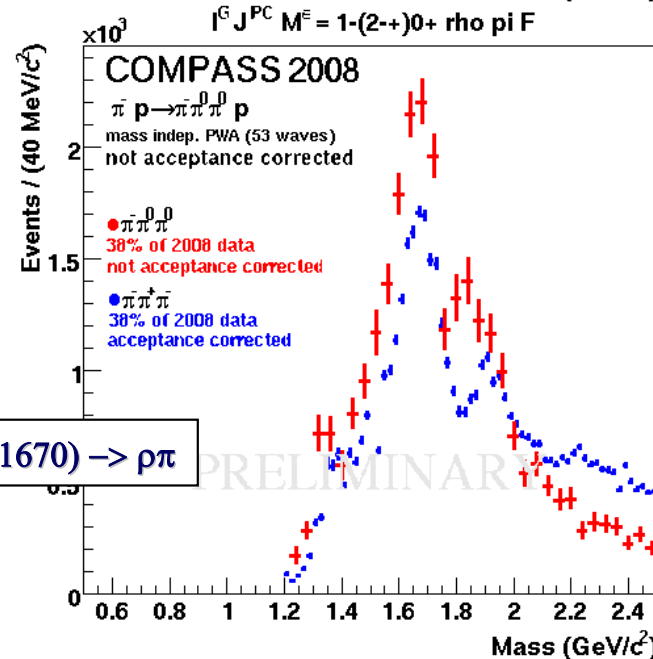
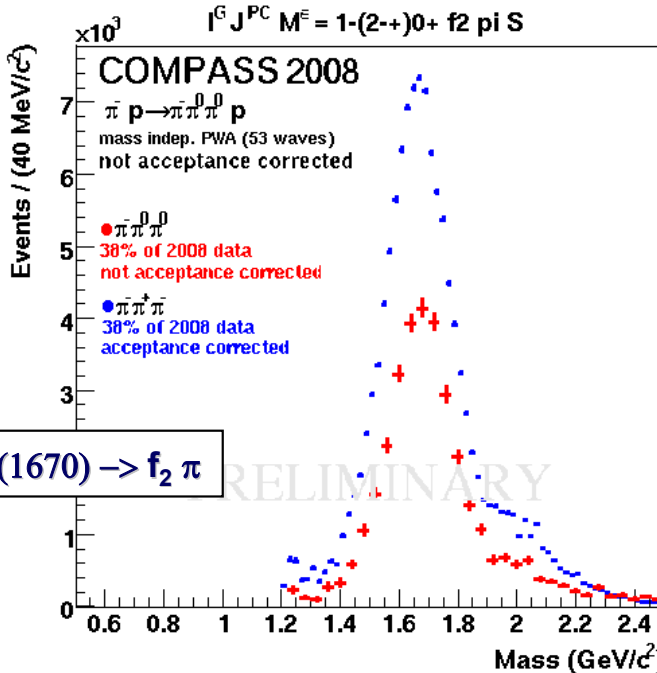
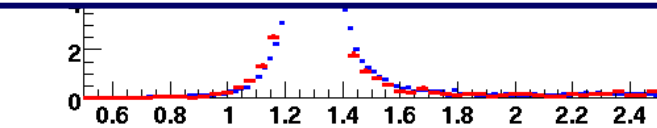


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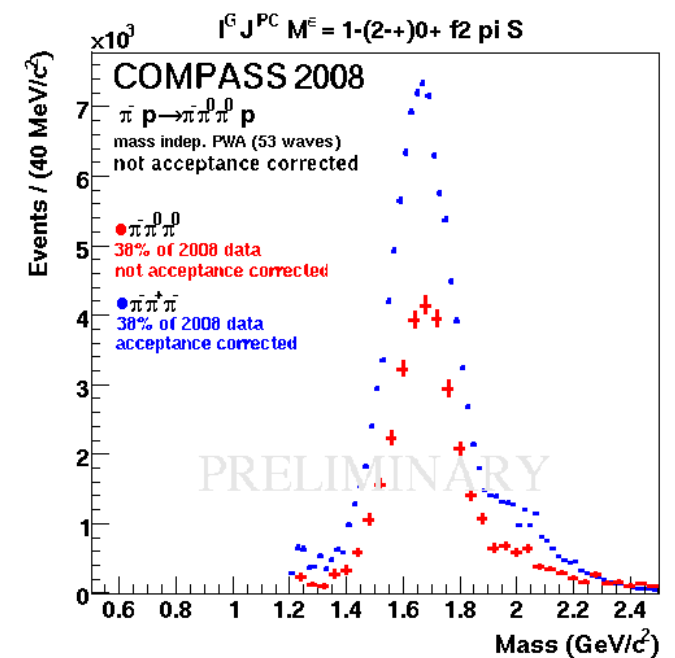
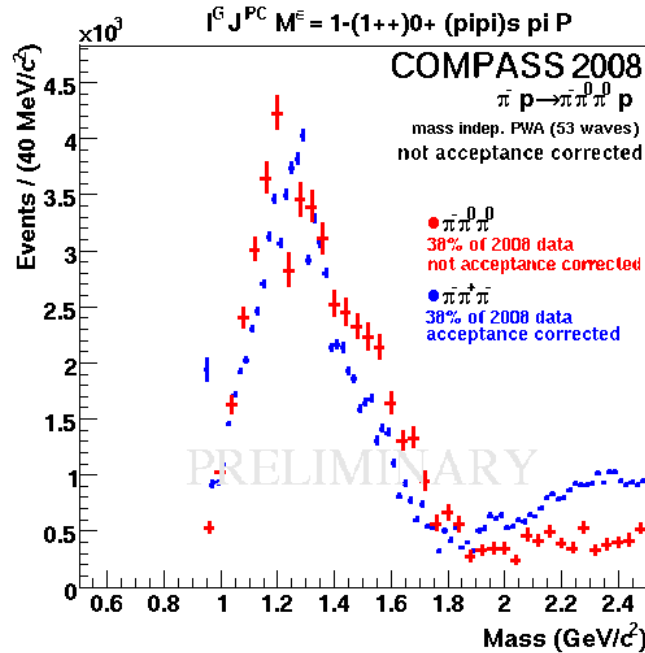
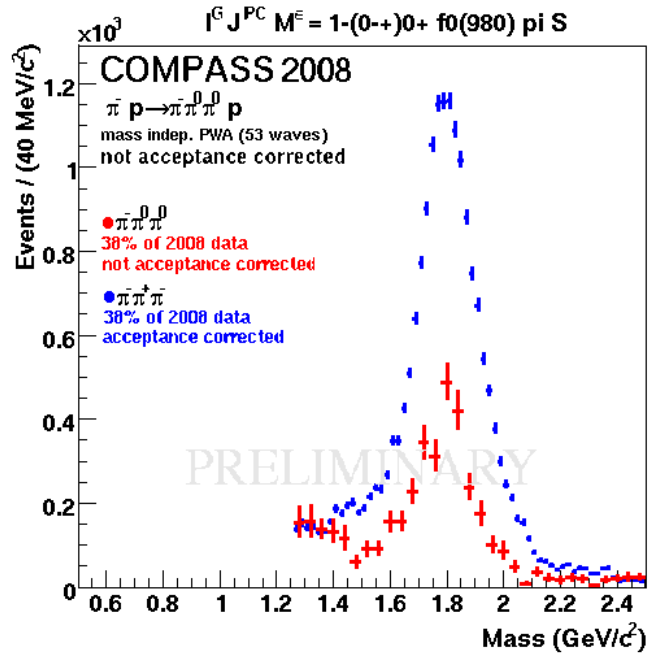


Selected partial waves isospin symmetry check ctd.

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$a_1(1260) \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_s \pi$

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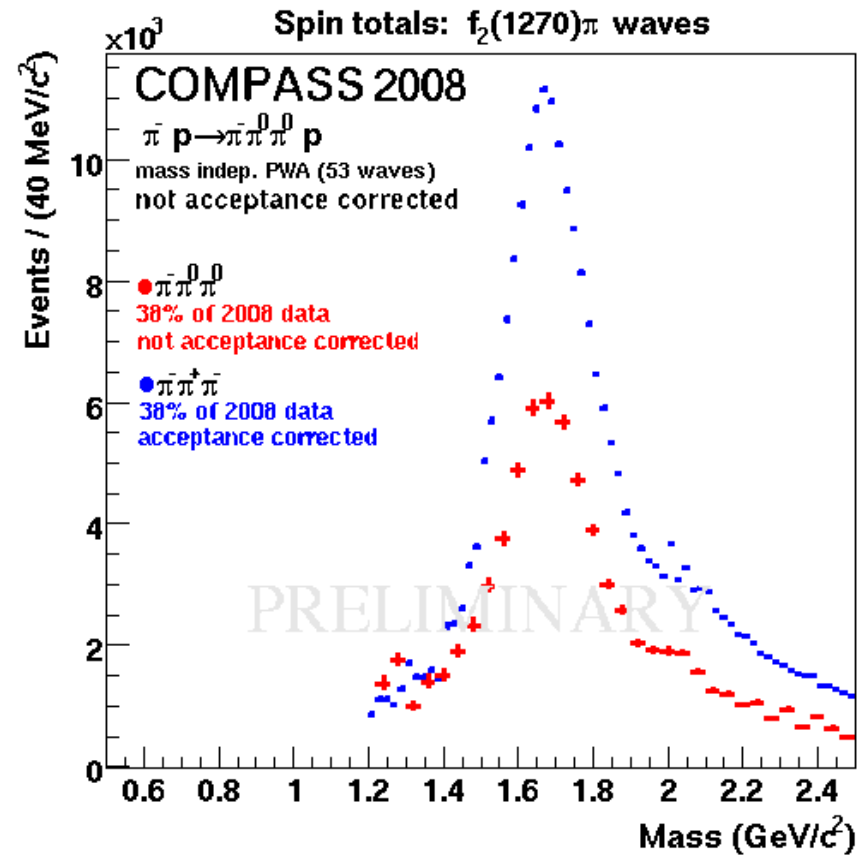
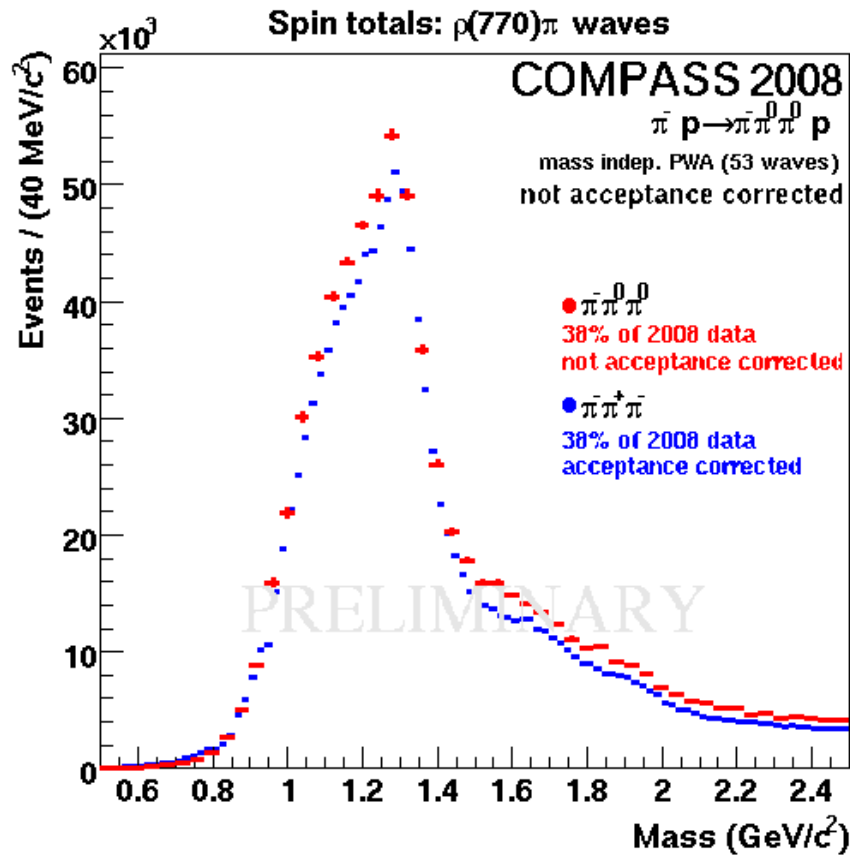
} in fair agreement
with our data



Two sets of partial wave totals

3π diffractive -- Neutral vs. Charged mode: 53 waves

Spin totals show isospin symmetry:



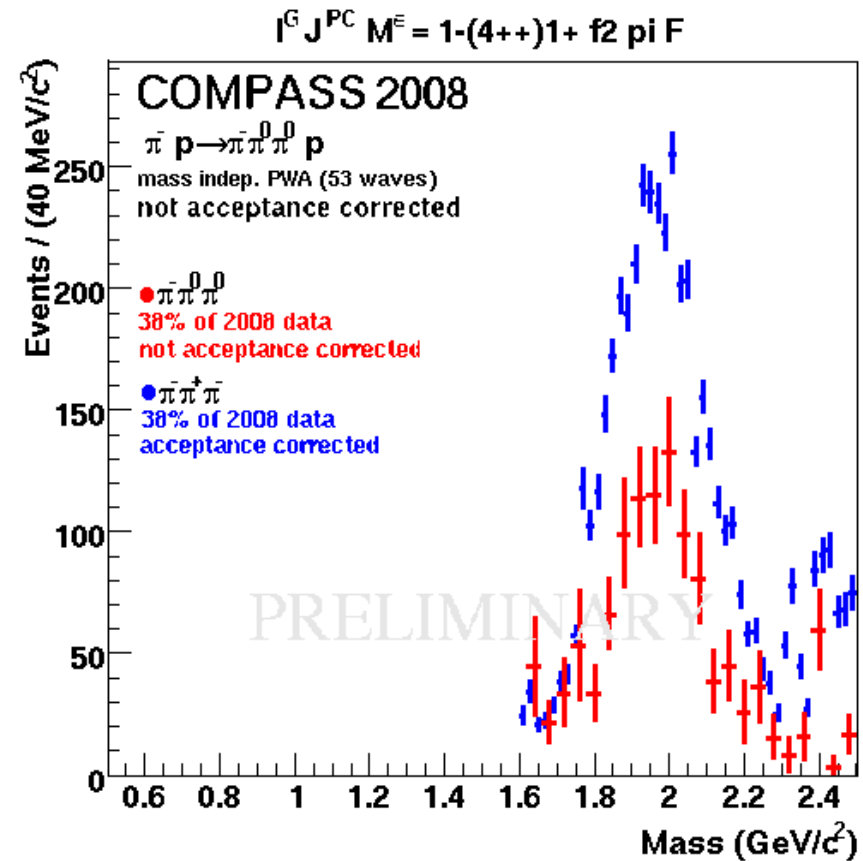
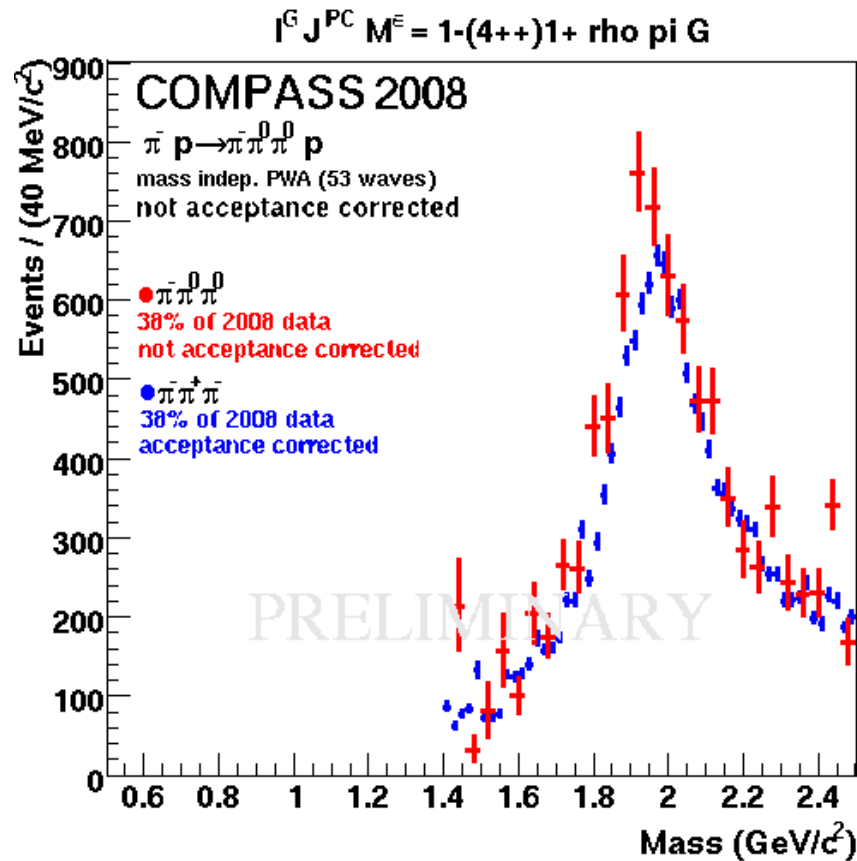


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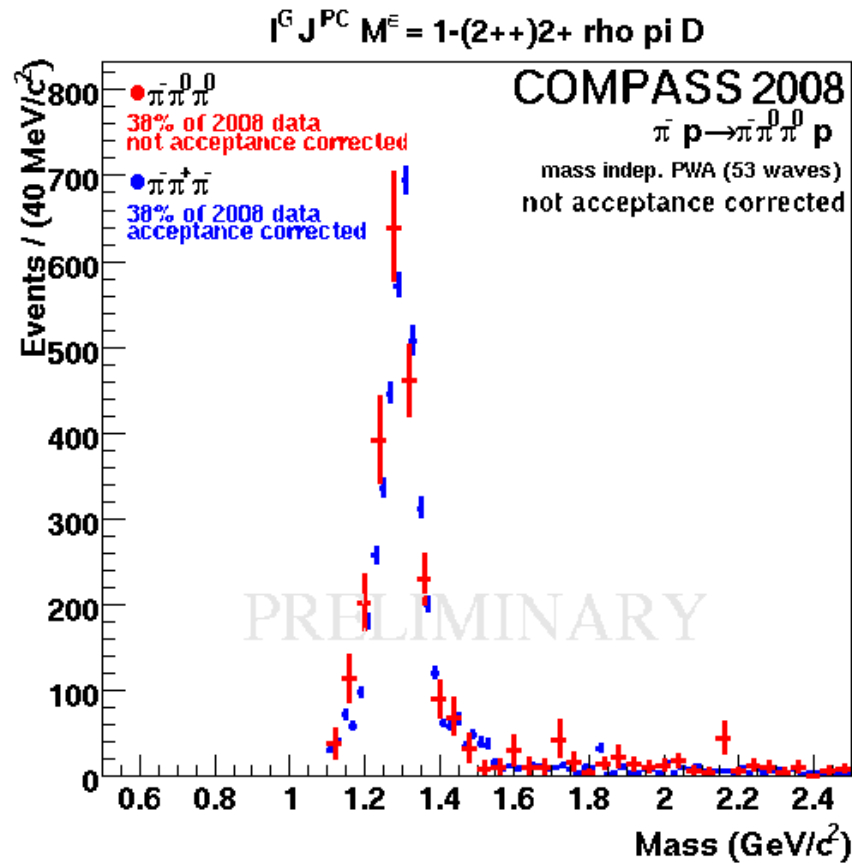
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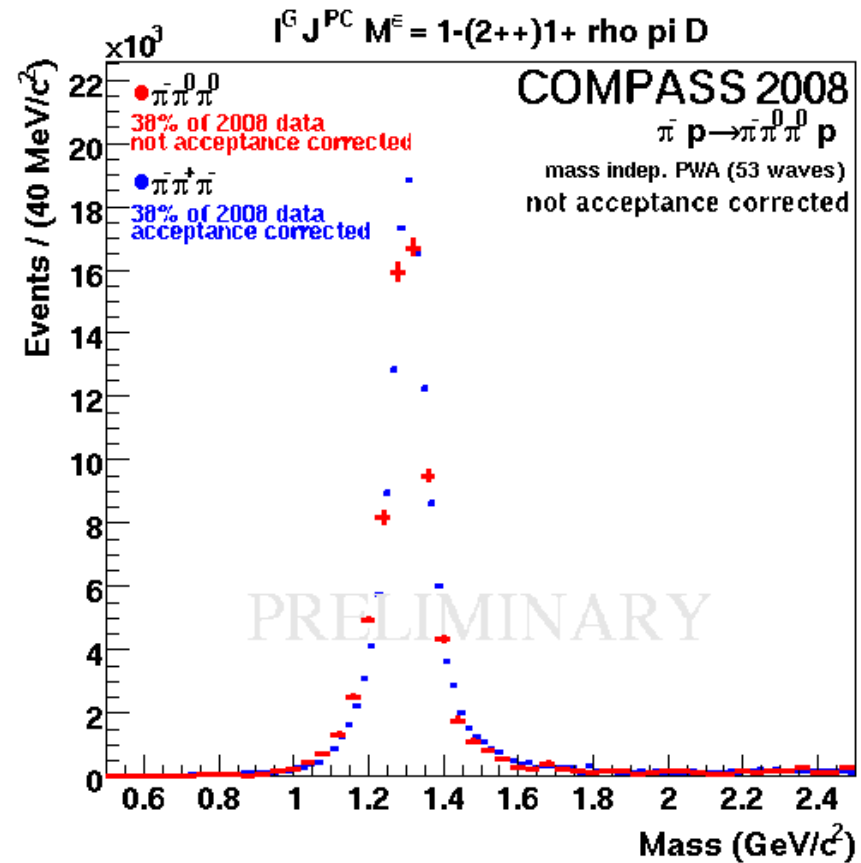


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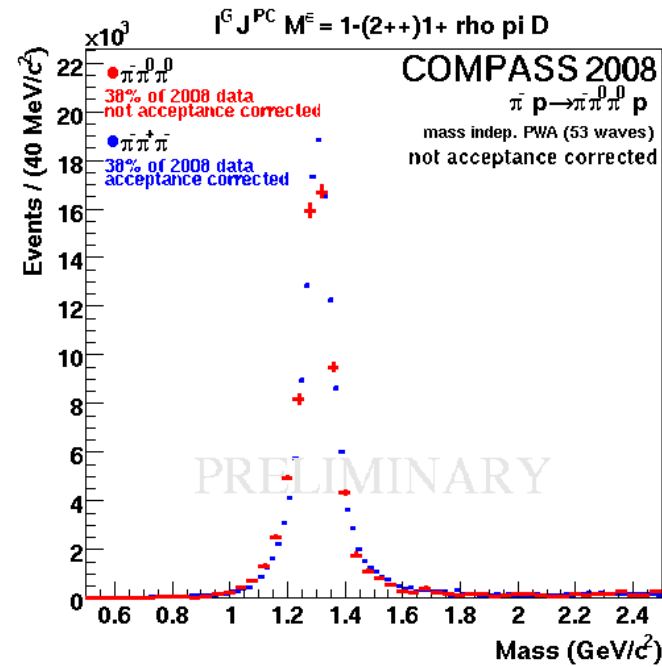
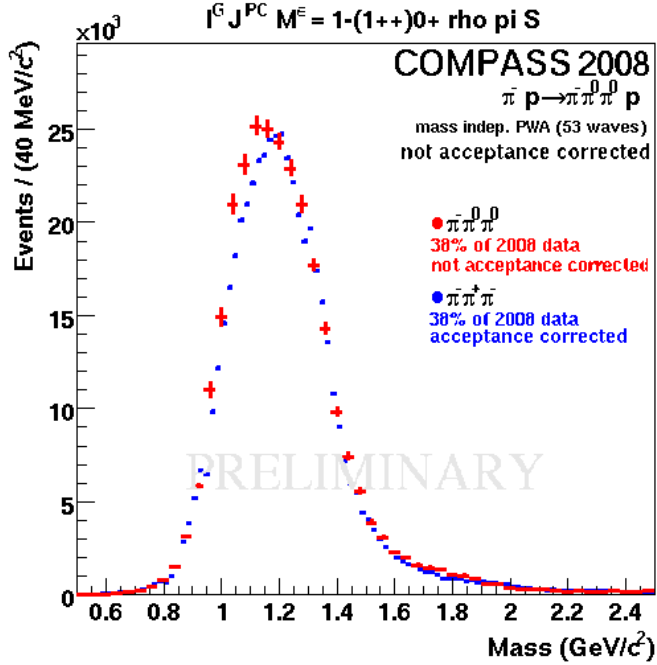
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Selected partial waves & phases

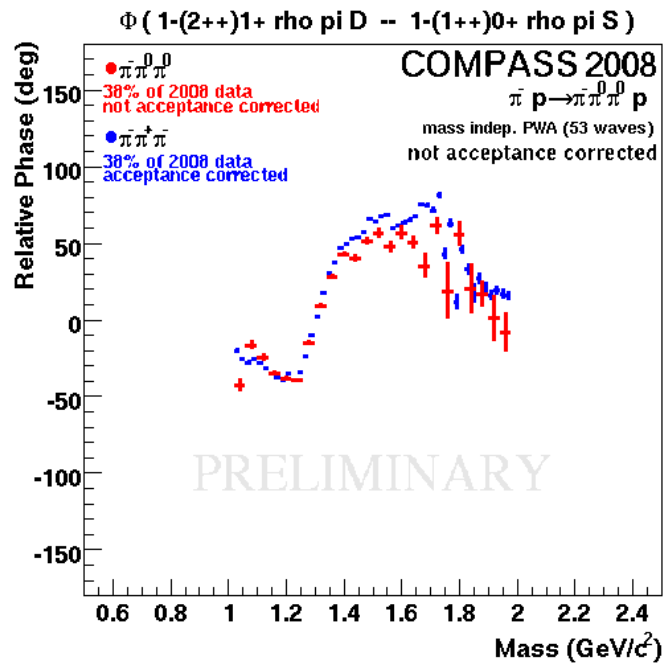
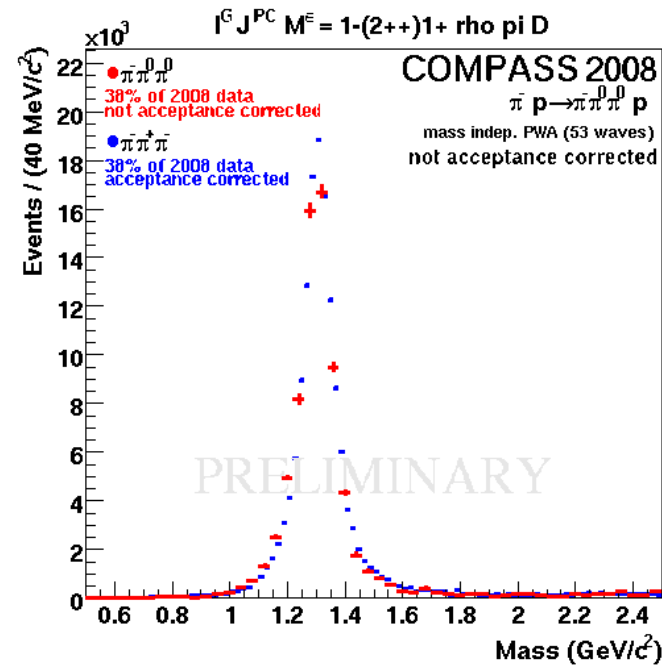
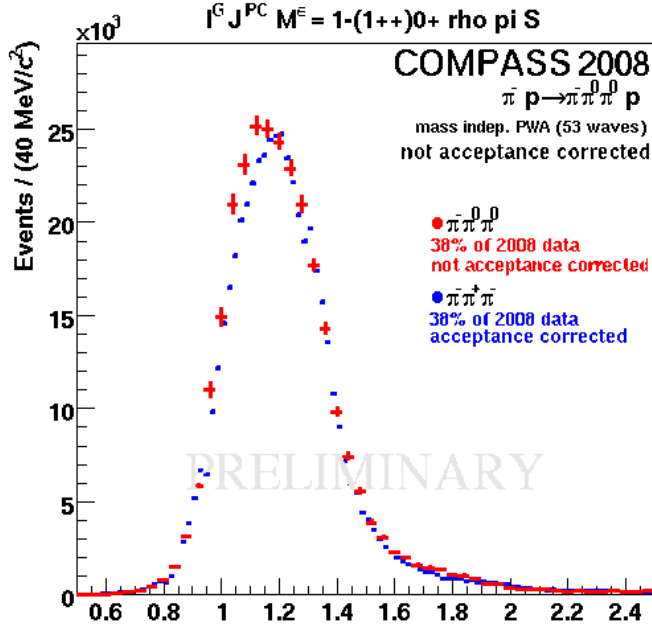
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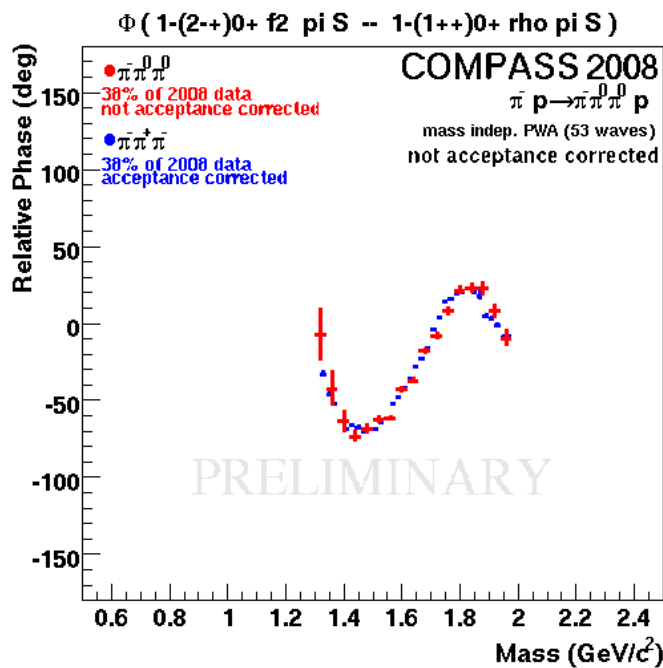
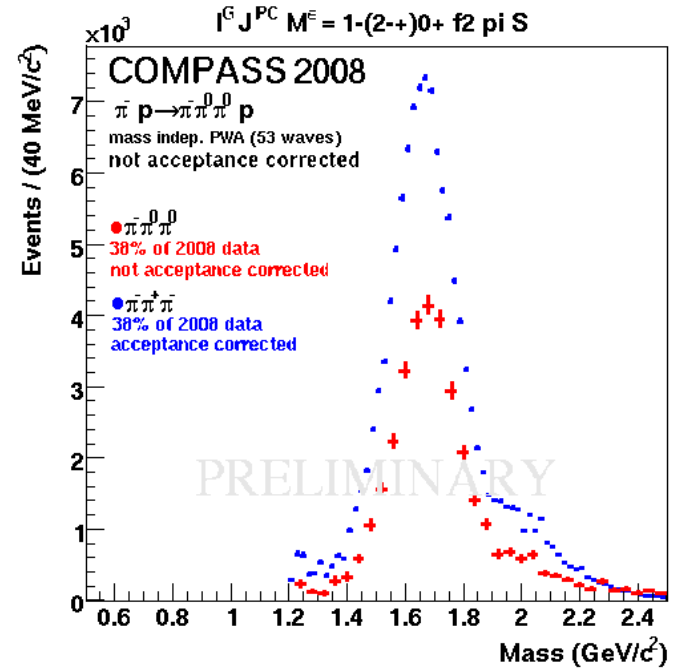
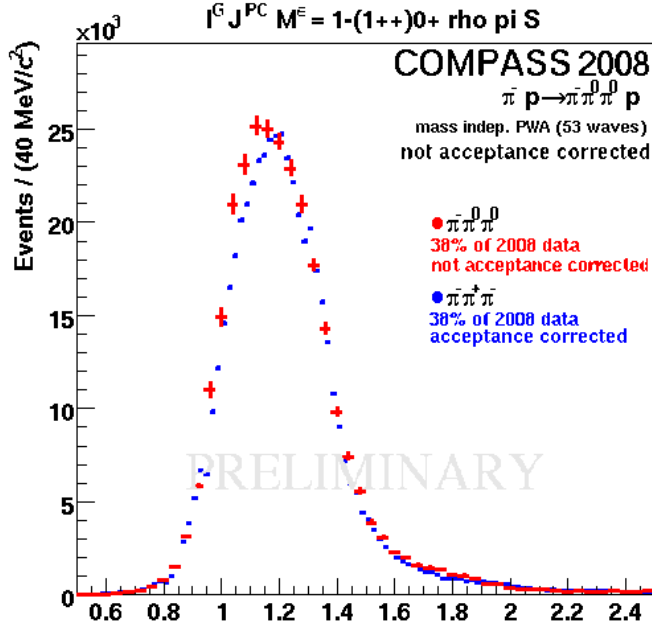
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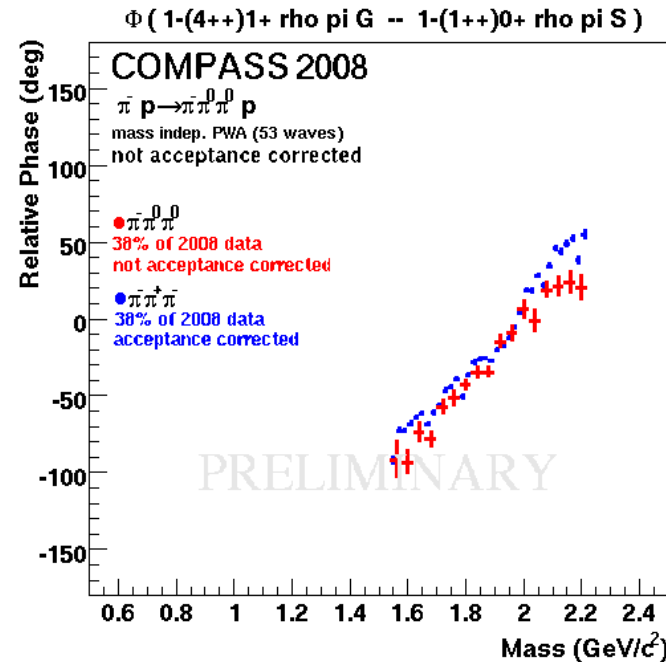
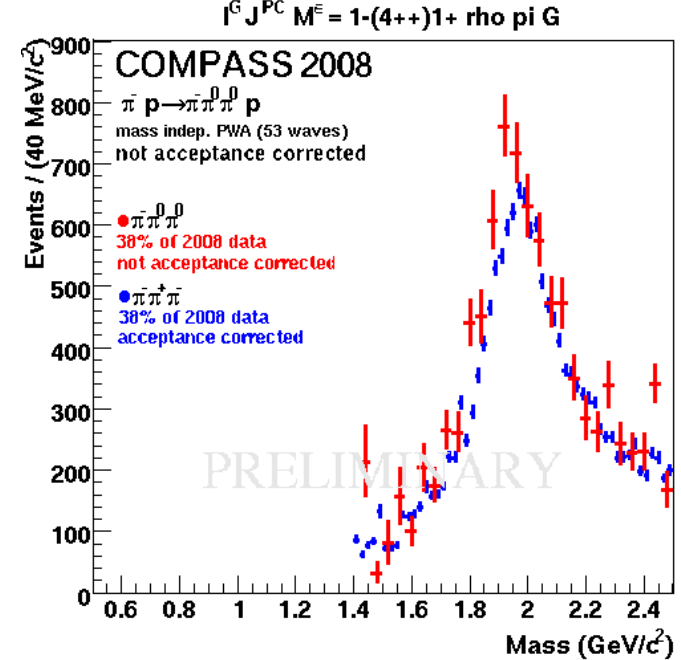
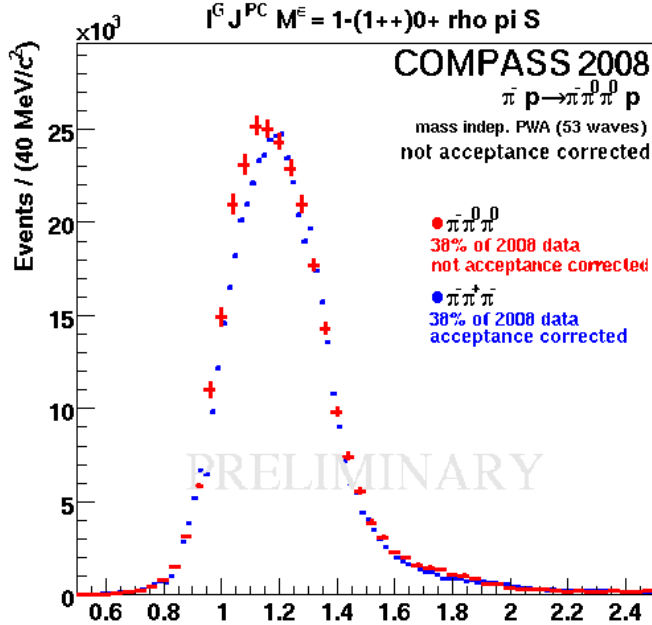
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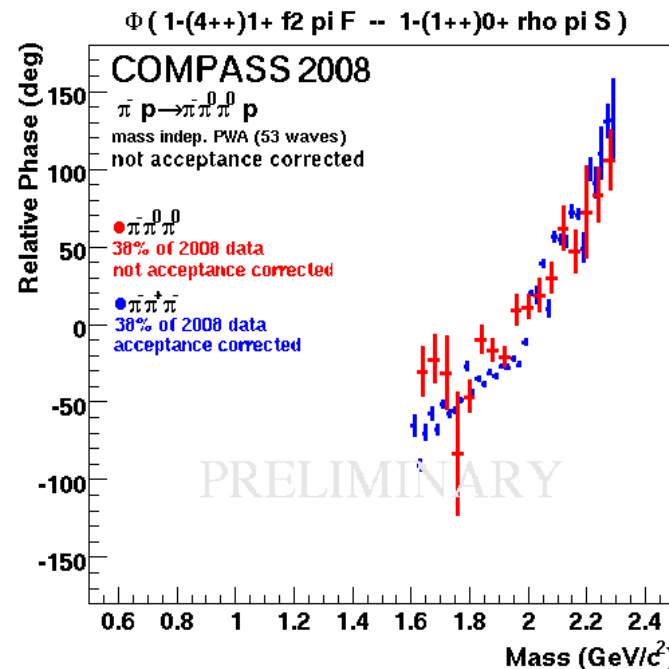
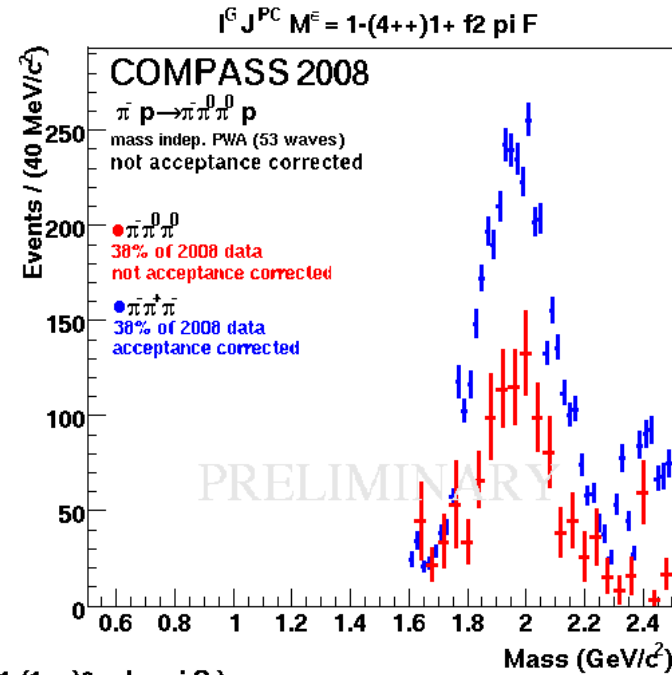
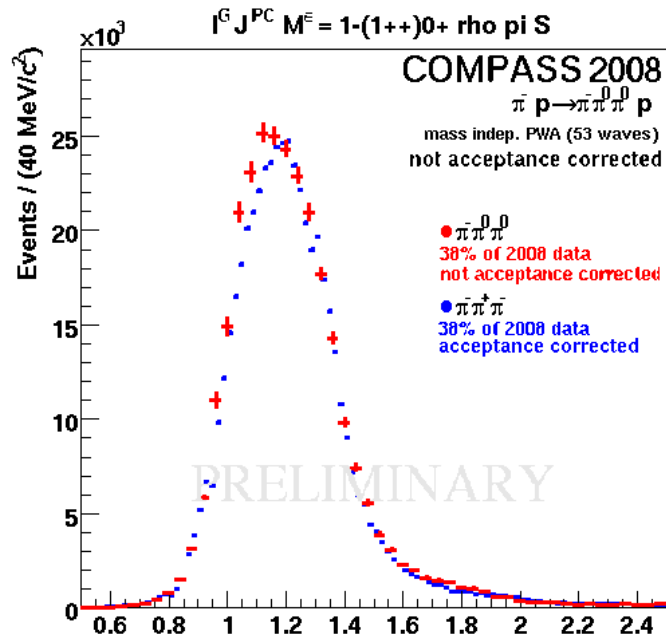
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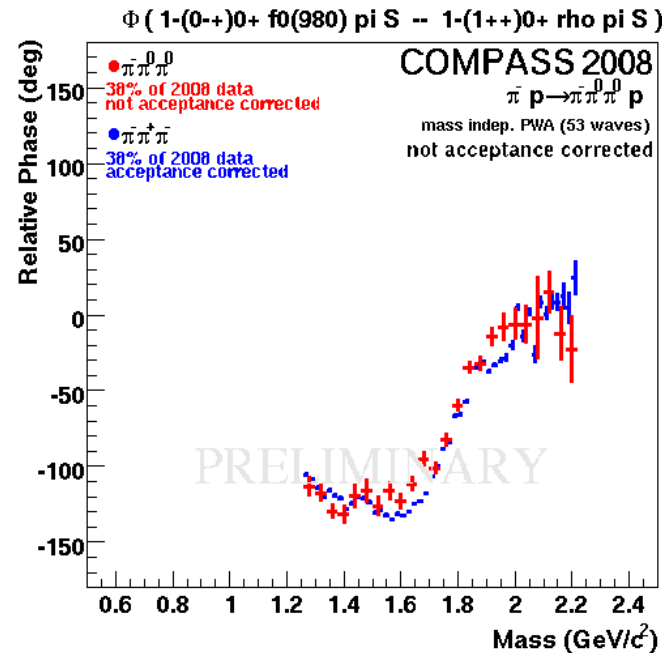
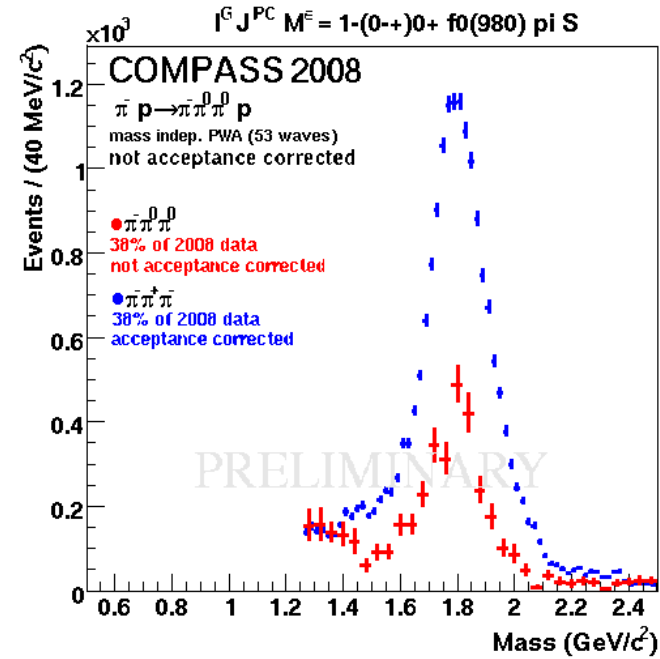
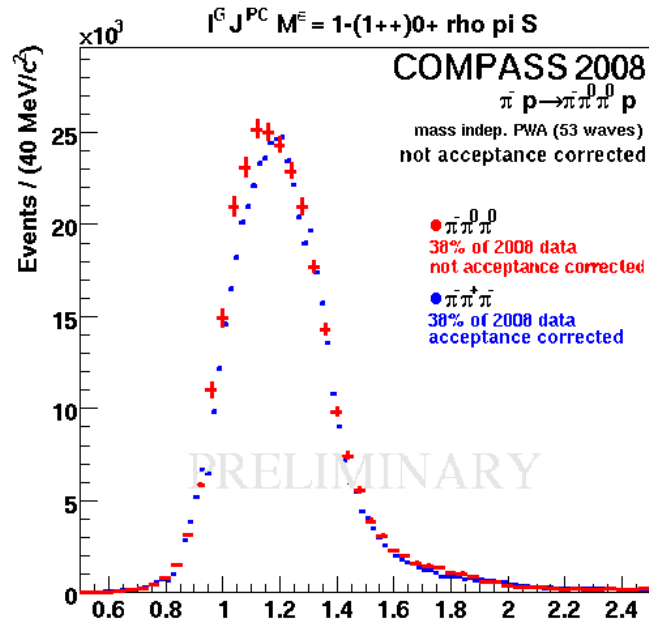
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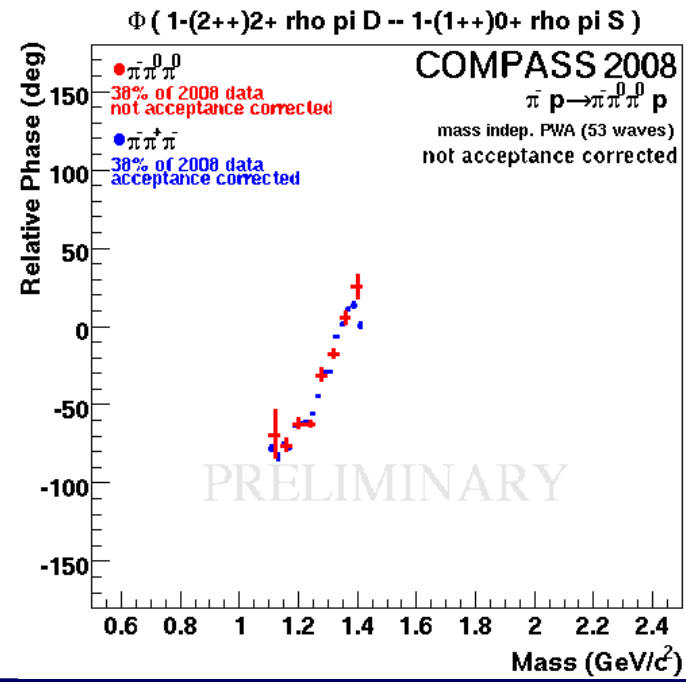
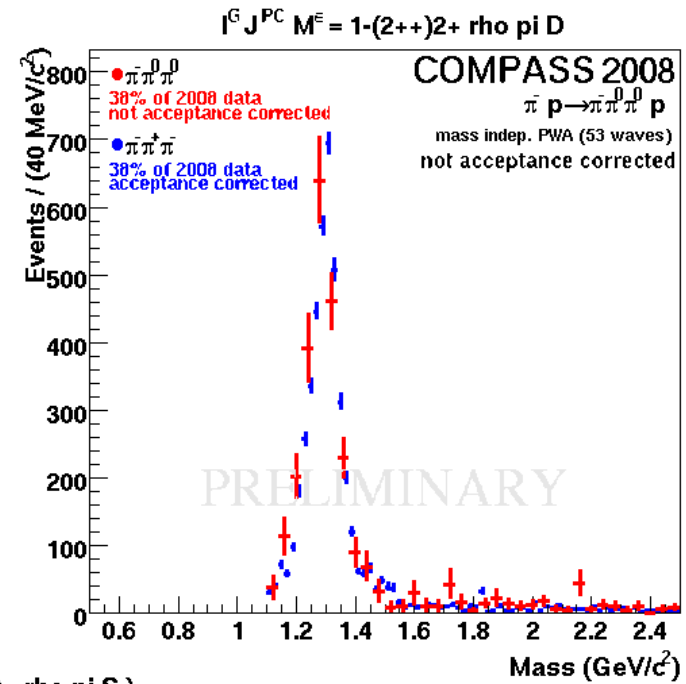
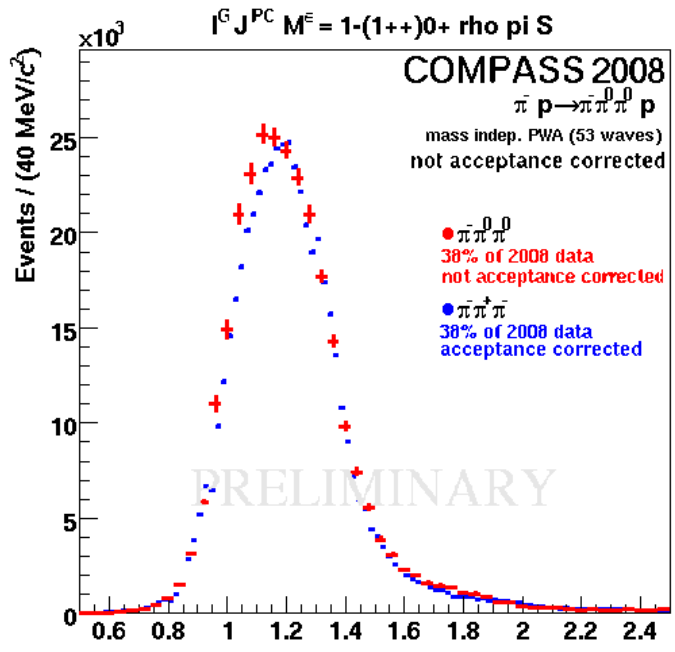
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Summary & conclusions

- **COMPASS: high potential for spin-exotic search**
 - ✓ 2008/09: **Data taken with hadron beams on proton & nuclear targets**
 - ✓ **Very high statistics** (1-2 orders of magnitude x world statistics)
 - **COMPASS measures Neutral & Charged channels**
 - ✓ **First results on 3π final states 2008 data** (diffr. dissociation)
 - ✓ **Comparison $\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0$ vs. $\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$ final states quite promising:**
 - *Mass-independent PWA: isospin symmetry*
 - *main & small waves consistently seen* → *intensities & phases*
 - *also angular distributions (GFJ: $\cos\theta$, Φ_{TY})*
- => Independent confirmation of new states within same experiment!**
(*competing statistics with BNL, E852 re-analysis [Dzierba et al., 2006]*)

Outlook:

- Acceptance corrections for neutral mode (*before showing any signal in exotic 1^+ wave*)
- Dedicated leakage & background studies
- Further development of PWA model
- Mass-dependent PWA

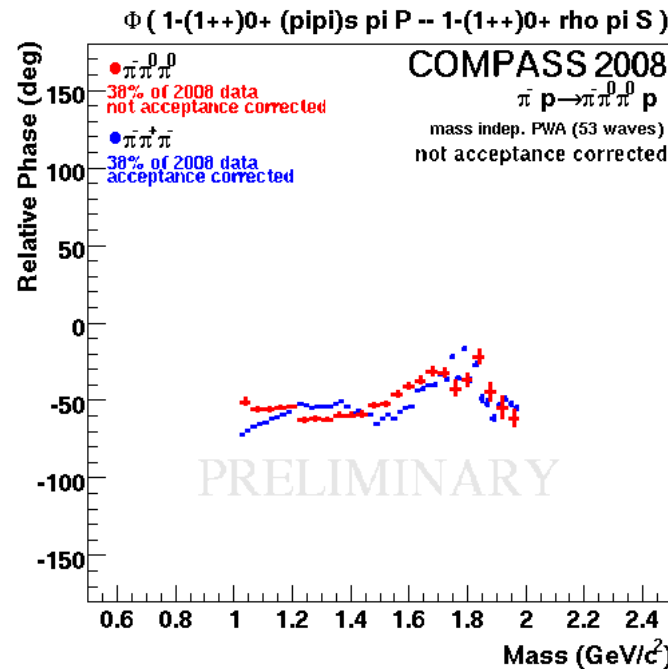
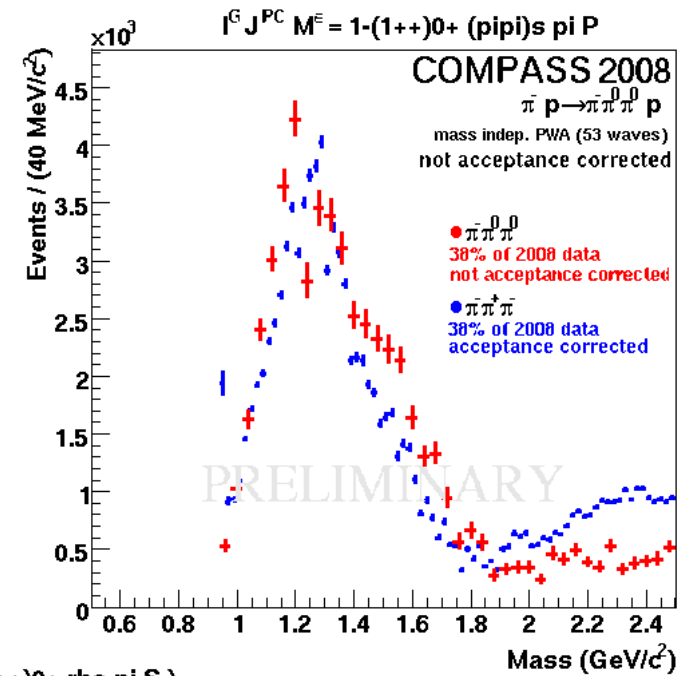
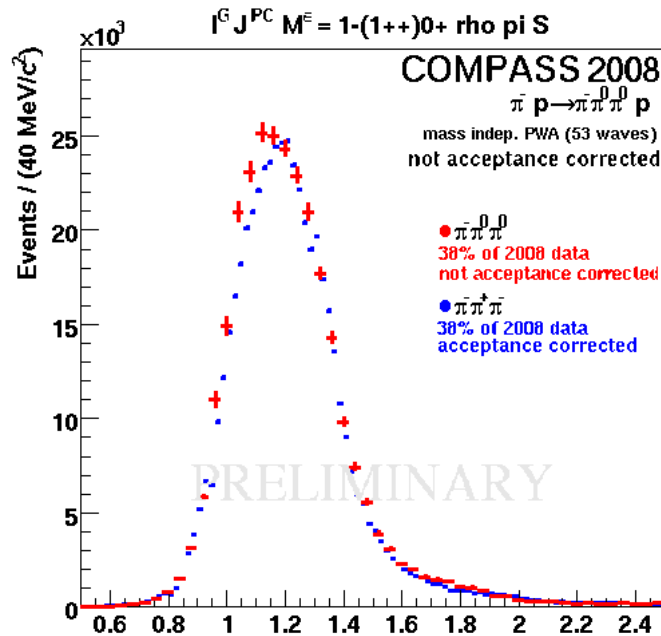


Additional material



Selected partial waves & phases

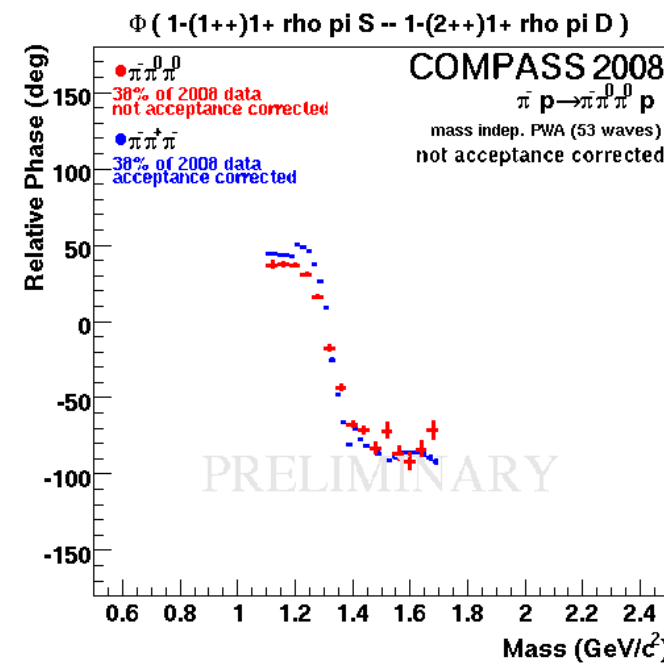
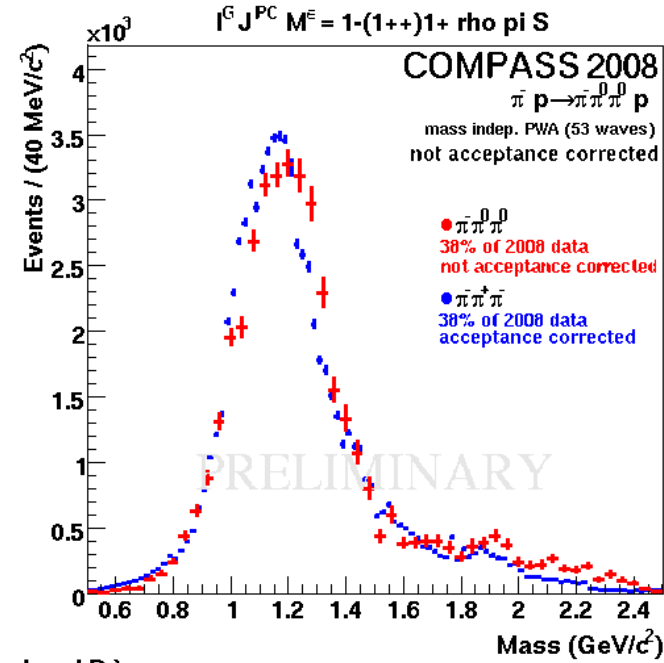
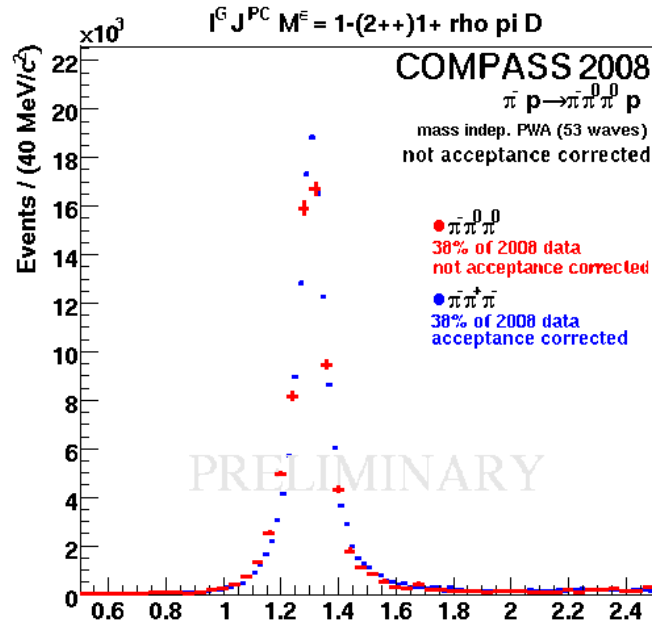
3π diffractive -- Neutral vs. Charged mode: 53 waves





Selected partial waves & phases

3π diffractive -- Neutral vs. Charged mode: 53 waves

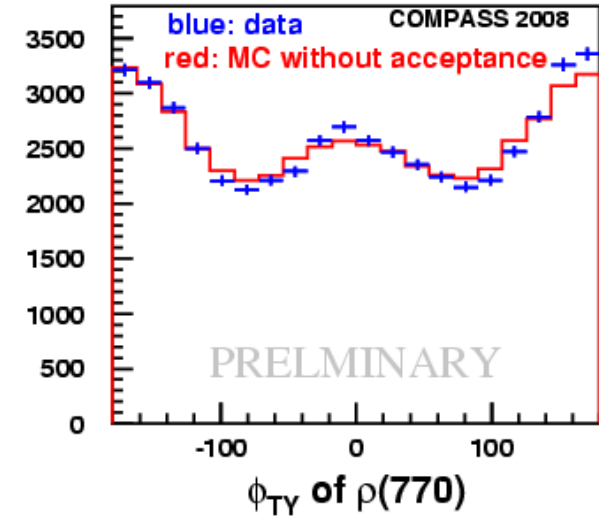
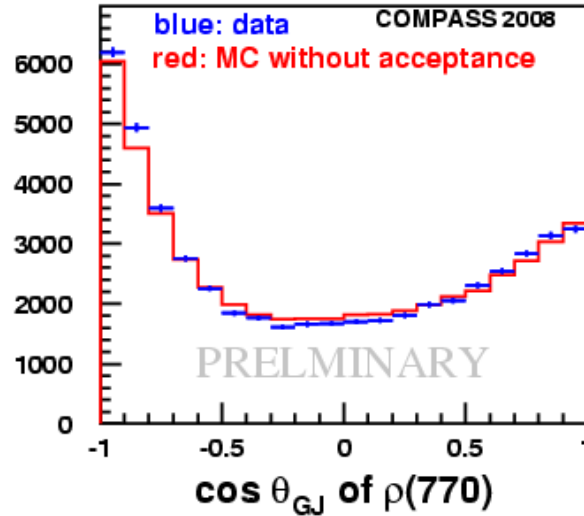




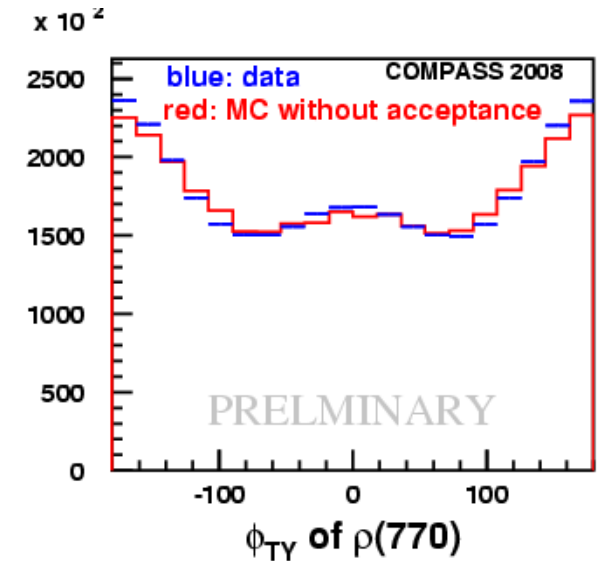
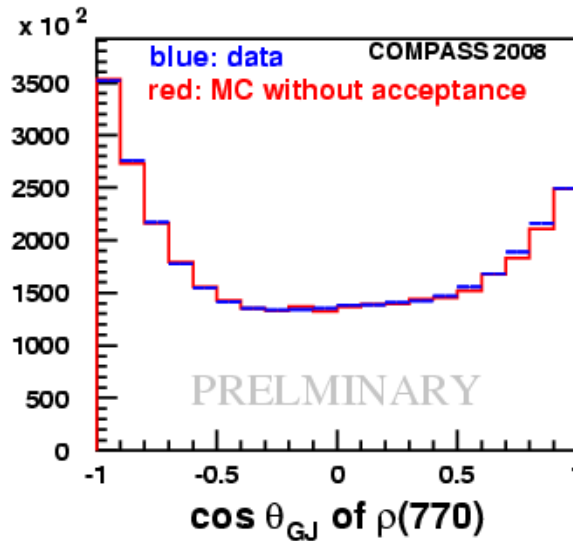
Decay angles in G.J. frame: Full PhaseSpace Generated Prediction vs. fitted data



a1/a2 mass region - neutral
(1.22 - 1.38 GeV/c²)



a1/a2 mass region - charged
(1.22 - 1.38 GeV/c²)



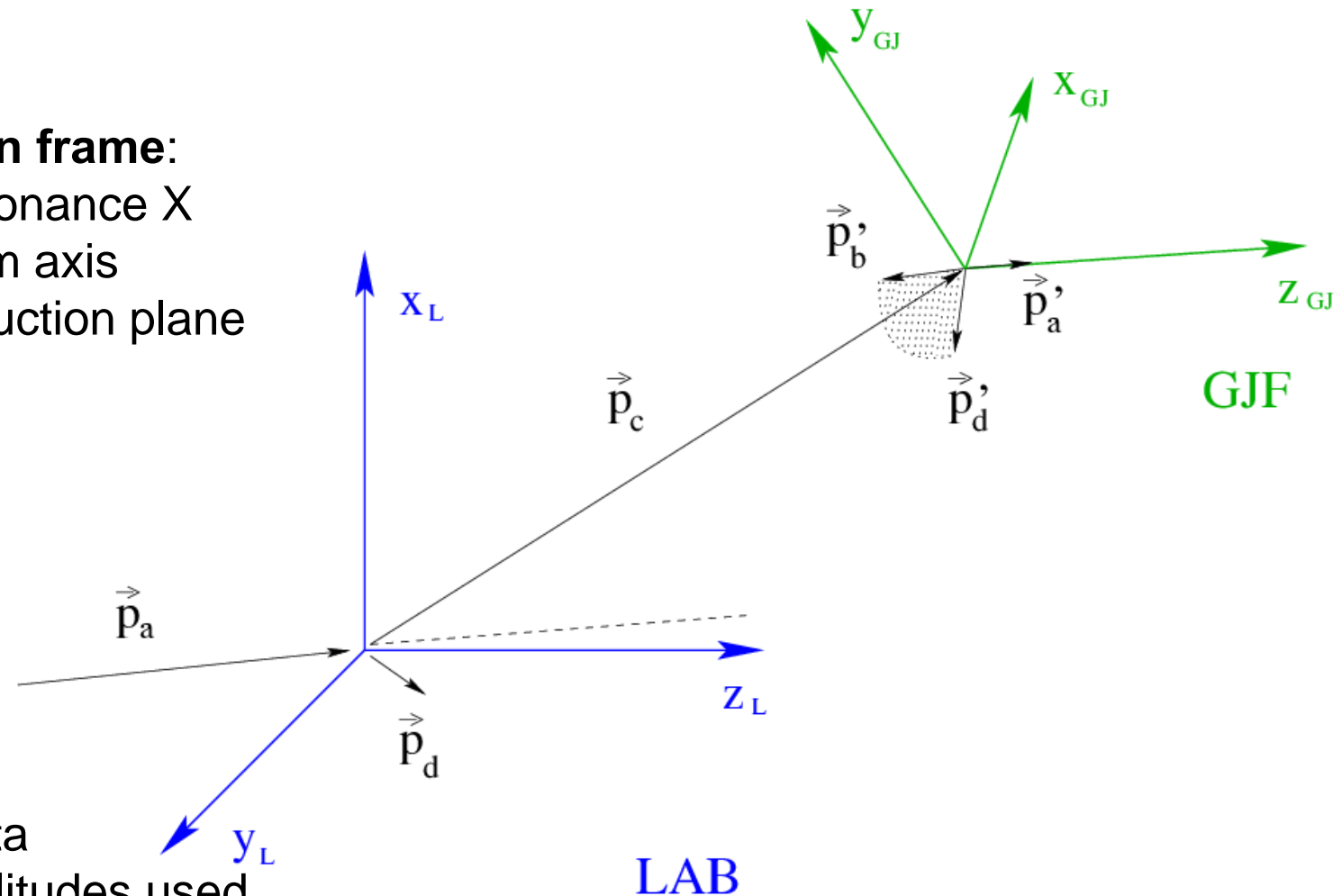


Decay angles in G.J. frame

Full PhaseSpace Generated Prediction

Gottfried-Jackson frame:

- rest frame of resonance X
- z parallel to beam axis
- y normal to production plane



„PREDICT“:

- fit waveset to data
- fitted decay amplitudes used to calculate decay angles
- under assumption of uniform acceptance
- normalised per mass bin to data



First PWA fits on $\pi-\pi^0\pi^0$



Theoretical expectation: neutral / charge mode

- isobar decay into $f_2 \pi$: 1/2 intensity expected
- isobar decay into $\rho \pi$: 1/1 intensity expected

Examples,

General: Branching not only from Clebsch-Gordon

• a_2 : $(2^{++})1^-$

coeff., but also from Bose-Symmetrisation w bachelor π

a) a_2 →

⇒ IsospinSym. holds for isobars going to $\rho\pi$ (same effect)

⇒ - “ - needs to be modified, BR may differ, for isobars going to $f_2\pi$

b) a_2 →

Calculated / checked: $BR = N(\pi-\pi^0\pi^0)/N(\pi-\pi+\pi-)$

$BR(0^-+ f_0(1400) \pi S) = 0.26$ (at 1.3 GeV)

$BR(0^-+ f_0(980) \pi S) = 0.44$ (at 1.8 GeV)

• π_2 :

i) $(2^{-+})0^-$

$BR(2^-+ f_2(1270) \pi S) = 0.50$ (at 1.67 GeV = π_2 mass)

$$BR(\pi^0\pi^0) / BR(\pi-\pi+) = 1/3 / 2/3 = 1/2$$

(plus reduced acc. → eff x eff for neutrals)

} find very good agreement with experiment

ii) $(2^{-+})0^+$ rho pi F

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{a) } \pi_2 \longrightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} \rho^- \pi^0 \\ \hookrightarrow \pi^- \pi^0 \end{array} \right\} \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0 \\
 \text{b) } \pi_2 \longrightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} \rho^0 \pi^- \\ \hookrightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \end{array} \right\} \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-
 \end{array}$$

} π_2 intensity expected (neutral/charged): 1



Waveset used for the PWA

$J^{PC} M^{\epsilon}$	L	Isobar π	Threshold (GeV/ c^2)
→ $0^{-+}0^{+}$	S	$f_0(980)\pi$	1.25
$0^{-+}0^{+}$	S	$(\pi\pi)_s\pi$	-
$0^{-+}0^{+}$	P	$\rho\pi$	-
→ $1^{-+}1^{+}$	P	$\rho\pi$	-
→ $1^{++}0^{+}$	S	$\rho\pi$	-
$1^{++}0^{+}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.20
$1^{++}0^{+}$	P	$(\pi\pi)_s\pi$	0.94
$1^{++}0^{+}$	D	$\rho\pi$	1.30
$1^{++}1^{+}$	S	$\rho\pi$	-
$1^{++}1^{+}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.40
$1^{++}1^{+}$	P	$(\pi\pi)_s\pi$	1.20
$1^{++}1^{+}$	D	$\rho\pi$	1.40
→ $2^{-+}0^{+}$	S	$f_2\pi$	1.20
$2^{-+}0^{+}$	P	$\rho\pi$	0.80
$2^{-+}0^{+}$	D	$(\pi\pi)_s\pi$	0.80
$2^{-+}0^{+}$	D	$f_2\pi$	1.50
$2^{-+}0^{+}$	F	$\rho\pi$	1.20
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$2^{-+}1^{+}$	F	$\rho\pi$	1.20
→ $2^{++}1^{+}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.20
→ $2^{++}1^{+}$	D	$\rho\pi$	-
$3^{++}0^{+}$	S	$\rho_3\pi$	1.76
$3^{++}0^{+}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.20
$3^{++}0^{+}$	D	$\rho\pi$	1.20
$3^{++}1^{+}$	S	$\rho_3\pi$	1.76
$3^{++}1^{+}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.20
$3^{++}1^{+}$	D	$\rho\pi$	1.50
$4^{-+}0^{+}$	F	$\rho\pi$	1.00
$4^{-+}1^{+}$	F	$\rho\pi$	1.20
→ $4^{++}1^{+}$	F	$f_2\pi$	1.60
→ $4^{++}1^{+}$	G	$\rho\pi$	1.40
$1^{-+}0^{-}$	P	$\rho\pi$	-
$1^{-+}1^{-}$	P	$\rho\pi$	-
$1^{++}1^{-}$	S	$\rho\pi$	-
$2^{-+}1^{-}$	S	$f_2\pi$	1.20
$2^{++}0^{-}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.30
$2^{++}0^{-}$	D	$\rho\pi$	-
$2^{++}1^{-}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.30
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Table 5: List of the 42 waves used for the mass independent PWA.



Updated PWA model: 53waves



$J^{PC} M^{\epsilon}$	L	Isobar π	Threshold (GeV/ c^2)
$0^{-+}0^{+}$	S	$f_0(980)\pi$	1.25
$0^{-+}0^{+}$	S	$(\pi\pi)_s\pi$	-
$0^{-+}0^{+}$	P	$\rho\pi$	-
$1^{-+}1^{+}$	P	$\rho\pi$	-
$1^{++}0^{+}$	S	$\rho\pi$	-
$1^{++}0^{+}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.20
$1^{++}0^{+}$	P	$(\pi\pi)_s\pi$	0.94
$1^{++}0^{+}$	D	$\rho\pi$	1.30
$1^{++}1^{+}$	S	$\rho\pi$	-
$1^{++}1^{+}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.40
$1^{++}1^{+}$	P	$(\pi\pi)_s\pi$	1.20
$1^{++}1^{+}$	D	$\rho\pi$	1.40
$2^{-+}0^{+}$	S	$f_2\pi$	1.20
$2^{-+}0^{+}$	P	$\rho\pi$	0.80
$2^{-+}0^{+}$	D	$(\pi\pi)_s\pi$	0.80
$2^{-+}0^{+}$	D	$f_2\pi$	1.50
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$2^{-+}1^{+}$	D	$f_2\pi$	1.50
$2^{-+}1^{+}$	F	$\rho\pi$	1.20

$2^{++}1^{+}$	\bar{P}	$f_2\pi$	1.20
$2^{++}1^{+}$	D	$\rho\pi$	-
$3^{++}0^{+}$	S	$\rho_3\pi$	1.76
$3^{++}0^{+}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.20
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$4^{++}1^{+}$	F	$f_2\pi$	1.60
$4^{++}1^{+}$	G	$\rho\pi$	1.40
$1^{-+}0^{-}$	P	$\rho\pi$	-
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$2^{++}1^{-}$	P	$f_2\pi$	1.30
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Table 5: List of the 42 waves used for the mass independent PWA. (Table for Release)

42 waveset extended by 11 waves:

- 1-(0-+)0+ f0(1500) pi S
- 1-(2++)2+ rho pi D
- 1-(2-+)2+ f2 pi S
- 1-(5++)0+ rho pi G
- 1-(6-+)0+ rho pi H
- 1-(0-+)0+ f2 pi D
- 1-(1-+)1+ f2 pi D
- 1-(2-+)0+ rho3 pi P
- 1-(3++)0+ f0(1400) pi F
- 1-(1++)0+ f0(980) pi P
- 1-(2-+)0+ f0(980) pi D



Diffraction pion dissociation into 3 pions - neutral (2008 data, LH2 target)



Event selection: $\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0 p$

~10% of 2008 data

Type of cut applied	Nb of events	Remaining [%]
All events	6.98800×10^8	100.00
DT0	5.07415×10^8	72.61
NbPV==1	4.02453×10^8	57.59
NbOutPar==1	2.25624×10^8	32.29
TargetCut	1.80785×10^8	25.87
ChargeSum	1.76766×10^8	25.30
$N_\gamma == 4$	9.75743×10^6	1.40
$2\pi^0$ within $m_{\pi^0}(\text{PDG}) \pm 20 \text{ MeV}$	9.15084×10^5	0.13
exactly one $2\pi^0$ combination within $m_{\pi^0}(\text{PDG}) \pm 20 \text{ MeV}$	8.99705×10^5	0.13

Table 1: Remaining statistics after cuts - Preselection.

Type of cut applied	Nb of events	Remaining [%]
All events - preselected		
$E_{\pi^-} < 185 \text{ GeV}/c^2$		
RPDtracks==1 && $p_{\text{recoil}} > 250 \text{ MeV}$		
$\Delta\Phi < 0.2$	3.95250×10^5	43.93
Tightened cut on π^0 mass ($m_{\pi^0}(\text{PDG}) \pm 16 \text{ MeV}$)	3.25001×10^5	36.12
Exclusivity $\pm 6 \text{ GeV}$	2.41406×10^5	26.83
CEDAR Veto on Kaons	2.39511×10^5	26.62

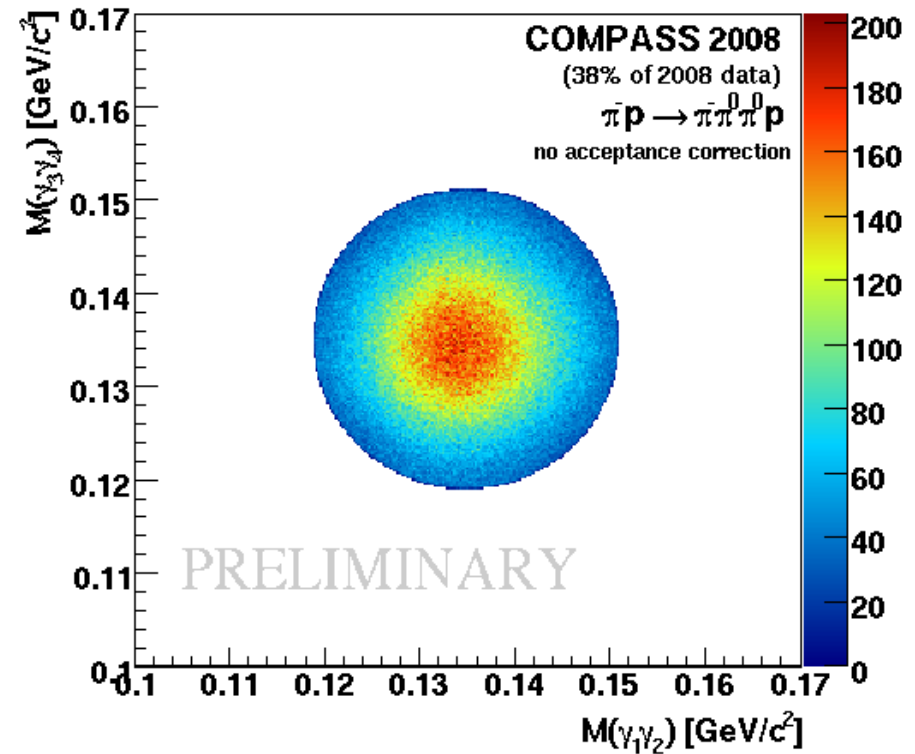
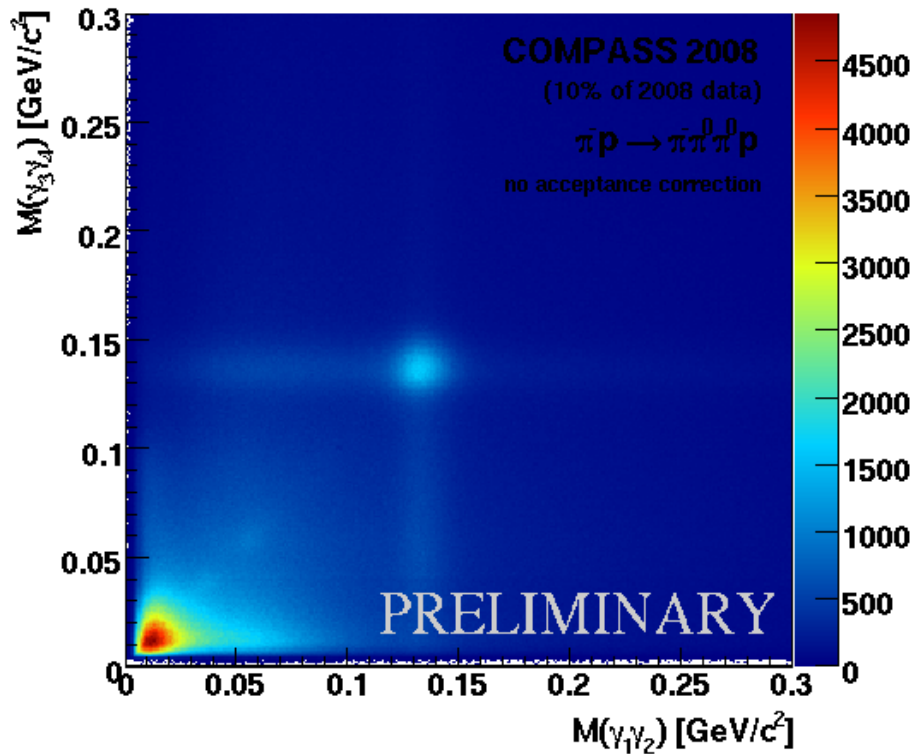
Main cuts for exclusive events:
=> in terms of sigma ($\pm 2\sigma$)

Table 2: Remaining statistics after further cuts applied on preselected events, cf. Tab.1 - Final Selection.



All & Preselected gg pairs, circular cut on PDG π^0 mass

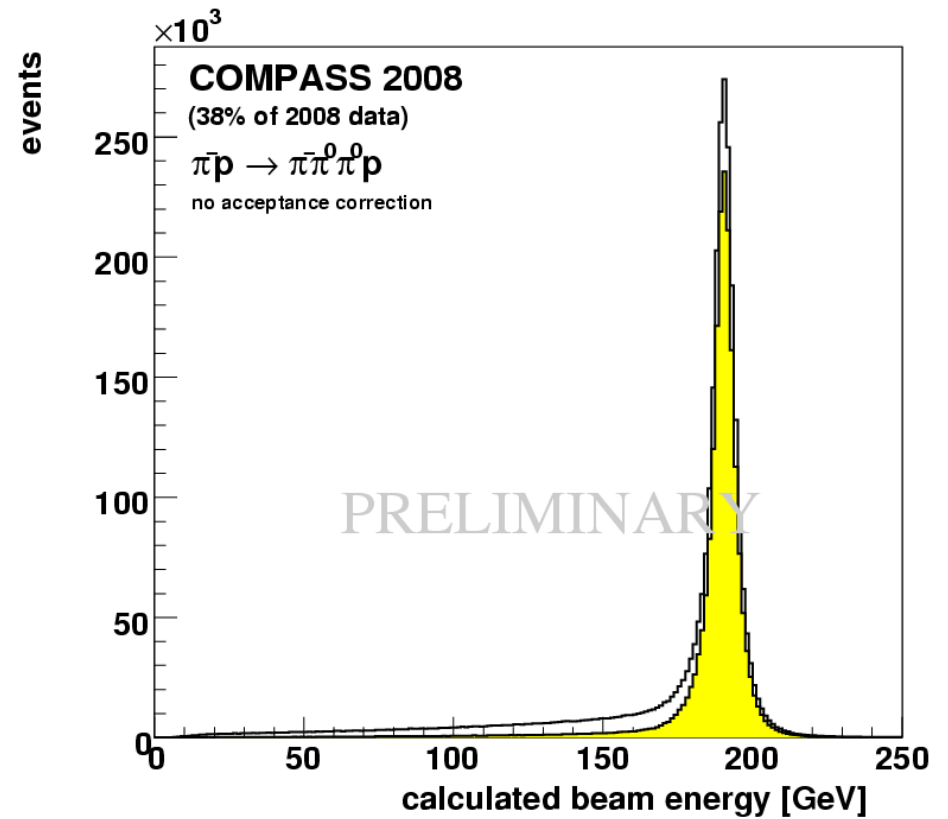
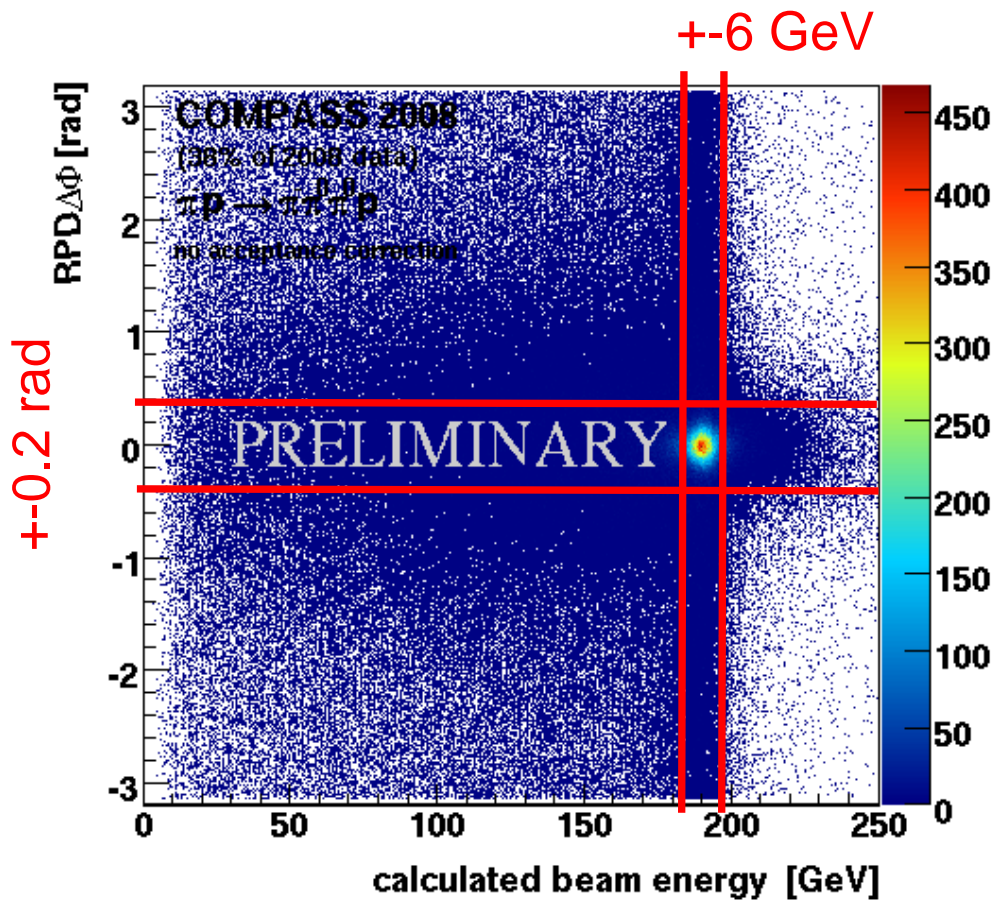
After final cuts on $\Delta\Phi$ and exclusivity,
see next slides



$2\pi^0$ evt := exactly 4 clusters, exactly one $2\pi^0$ combi within PDG ± 20 MeV

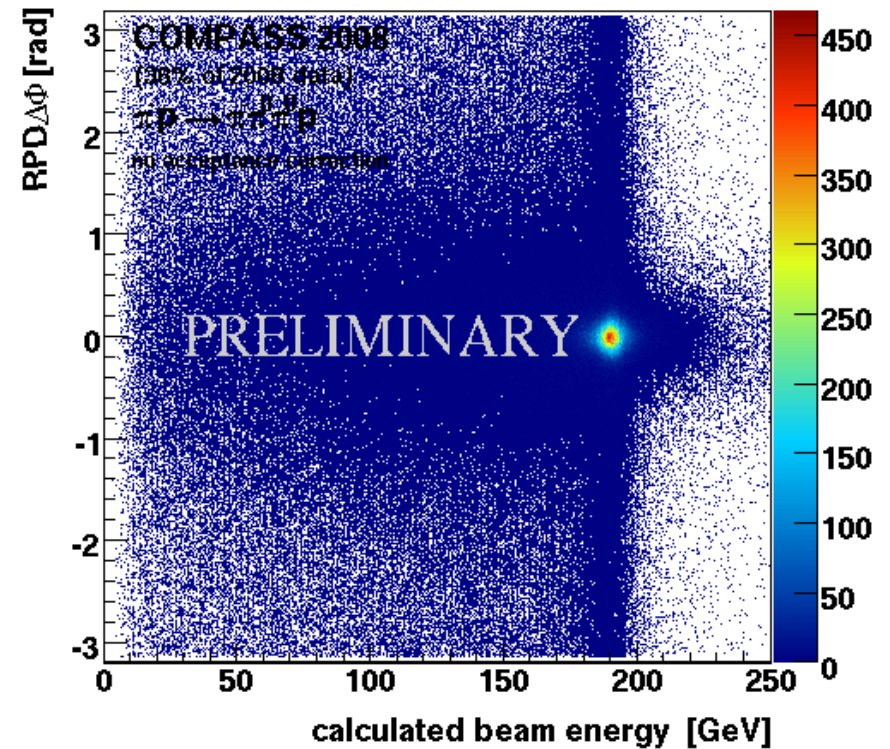
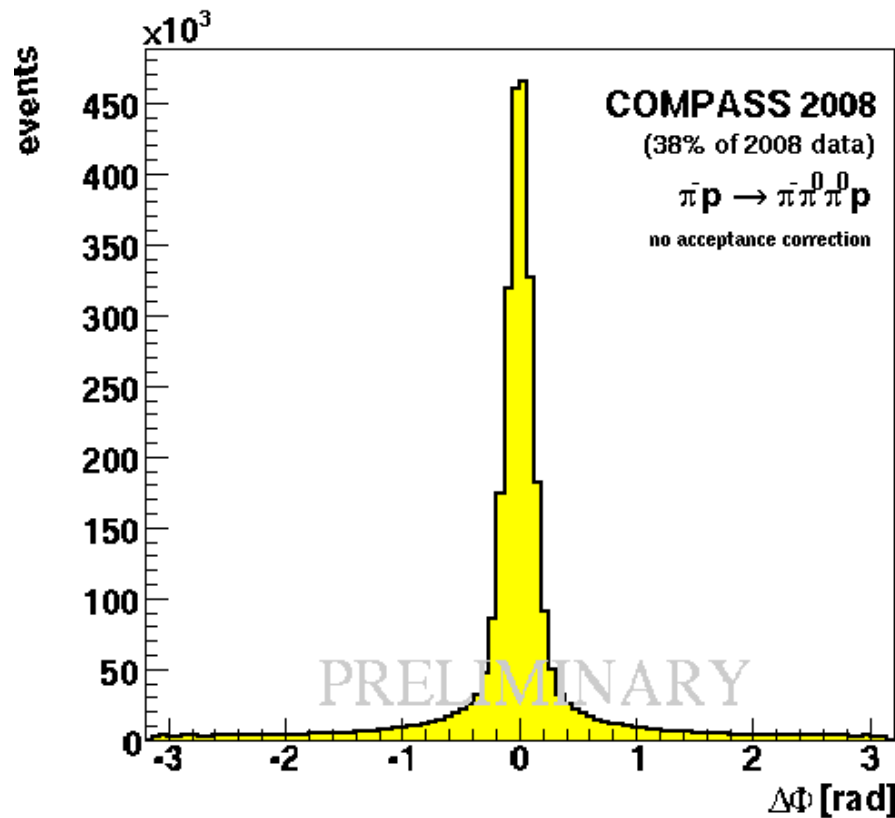


$\Delta\Phi$ (RPD-Spectro) vs. E_{beam}



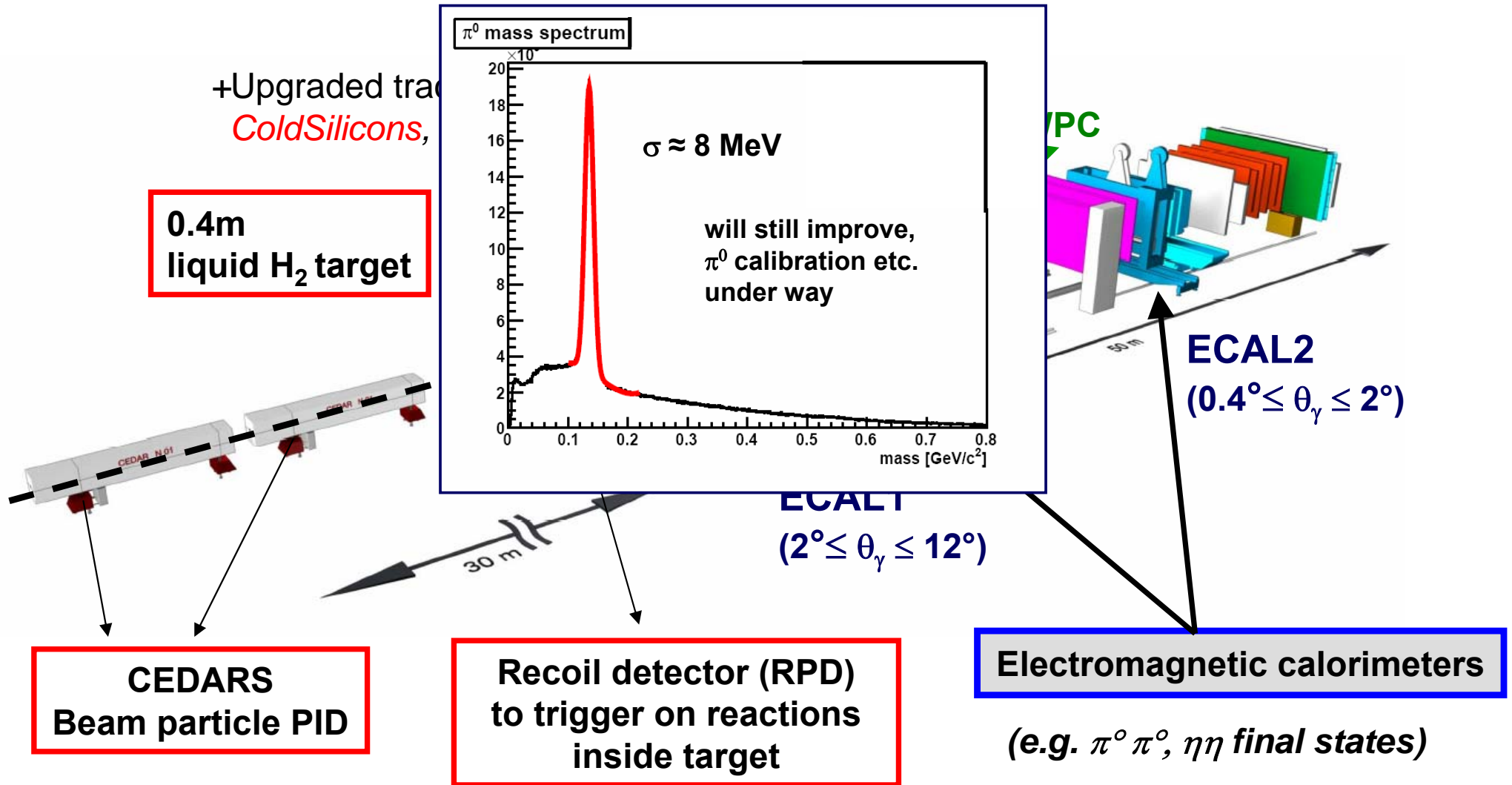


$\Delta\Phi$ (RPD-Spectro) vs. E_{beam}





COMPASS spectrometer: Hadron setup 2008/09



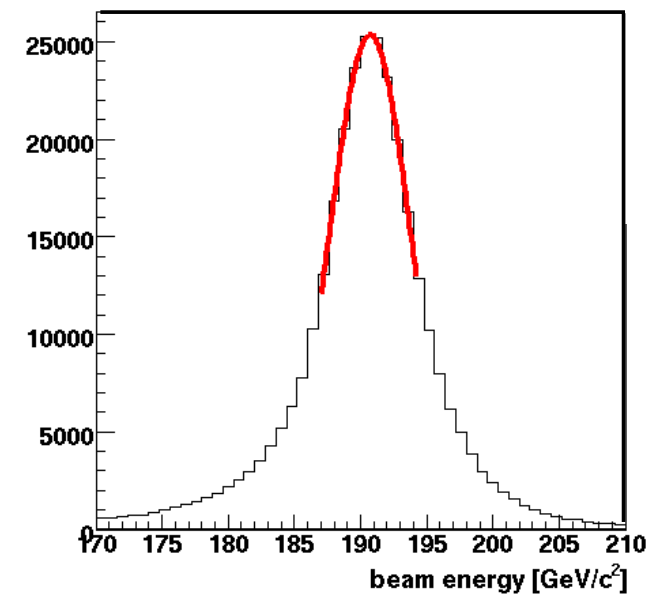
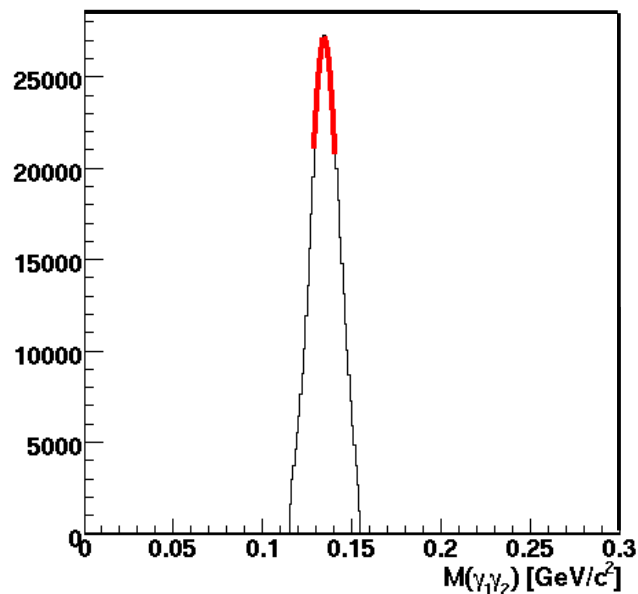
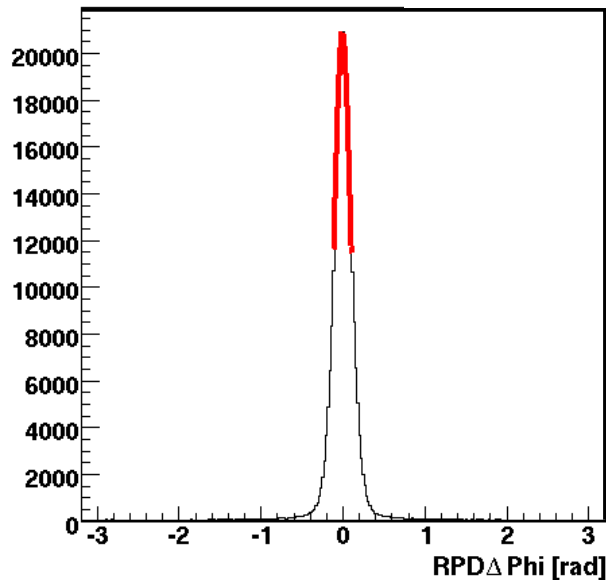


Main cuts for selection of exclusive events: $\pm 2\sigma$

– of each distribution after the other two cuts applied

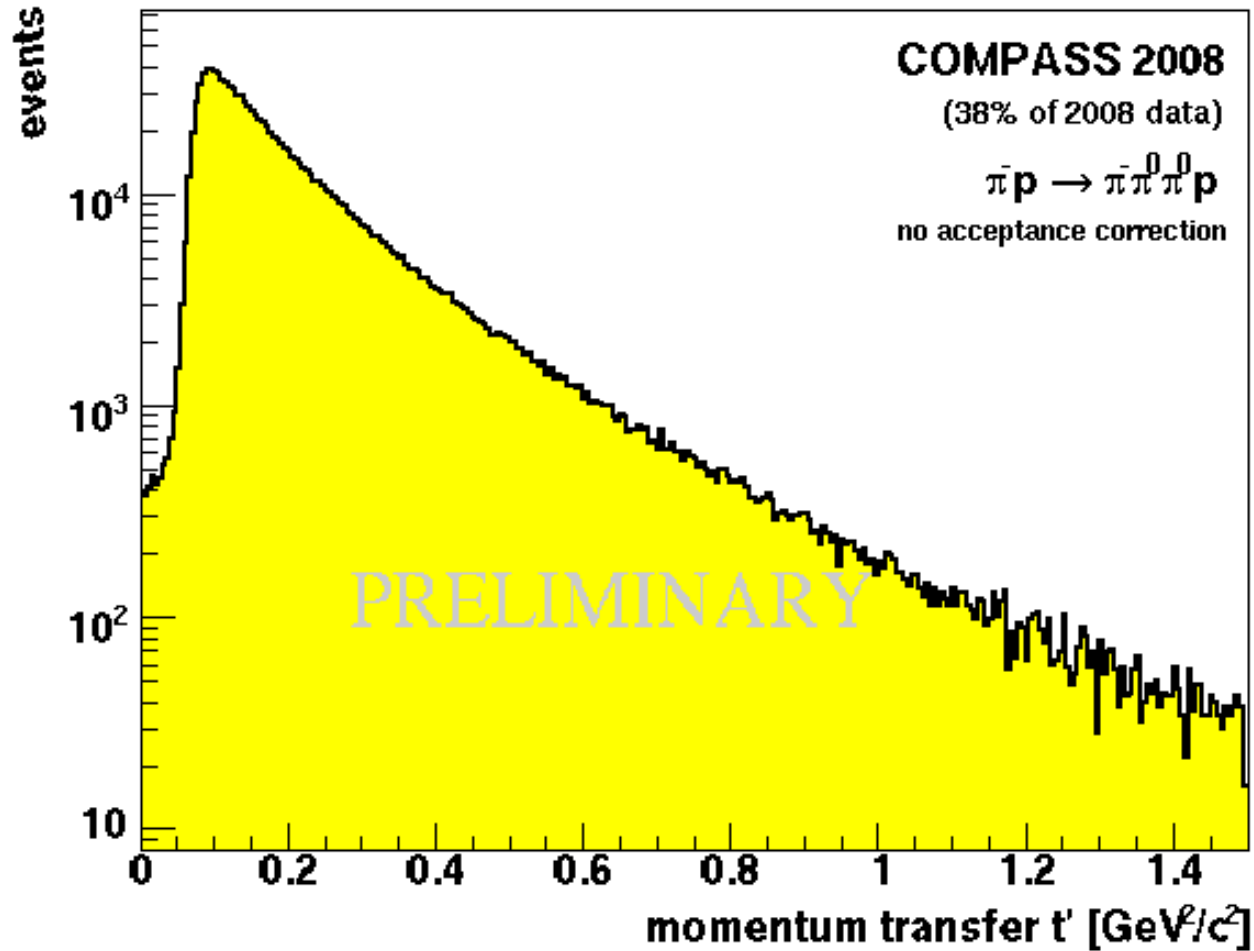
Main cuts for exclusive events in terms of resolutions, 2σ :

(a) π^0 mass cut = 16 MeV (b) RPD $\Delta\phi = 0.2$ rad (c) Exclusivity = 6 GeV



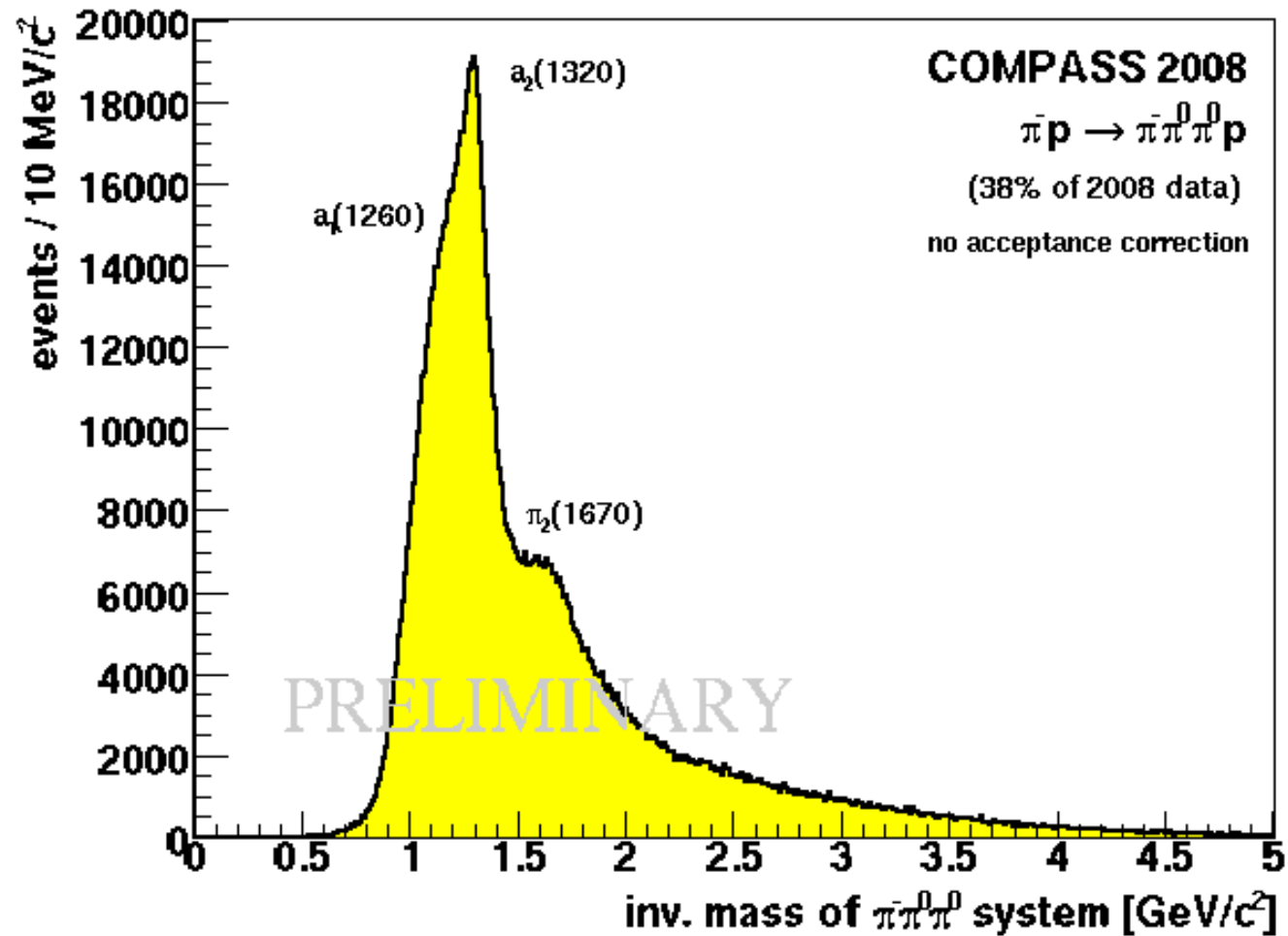


t' distribution



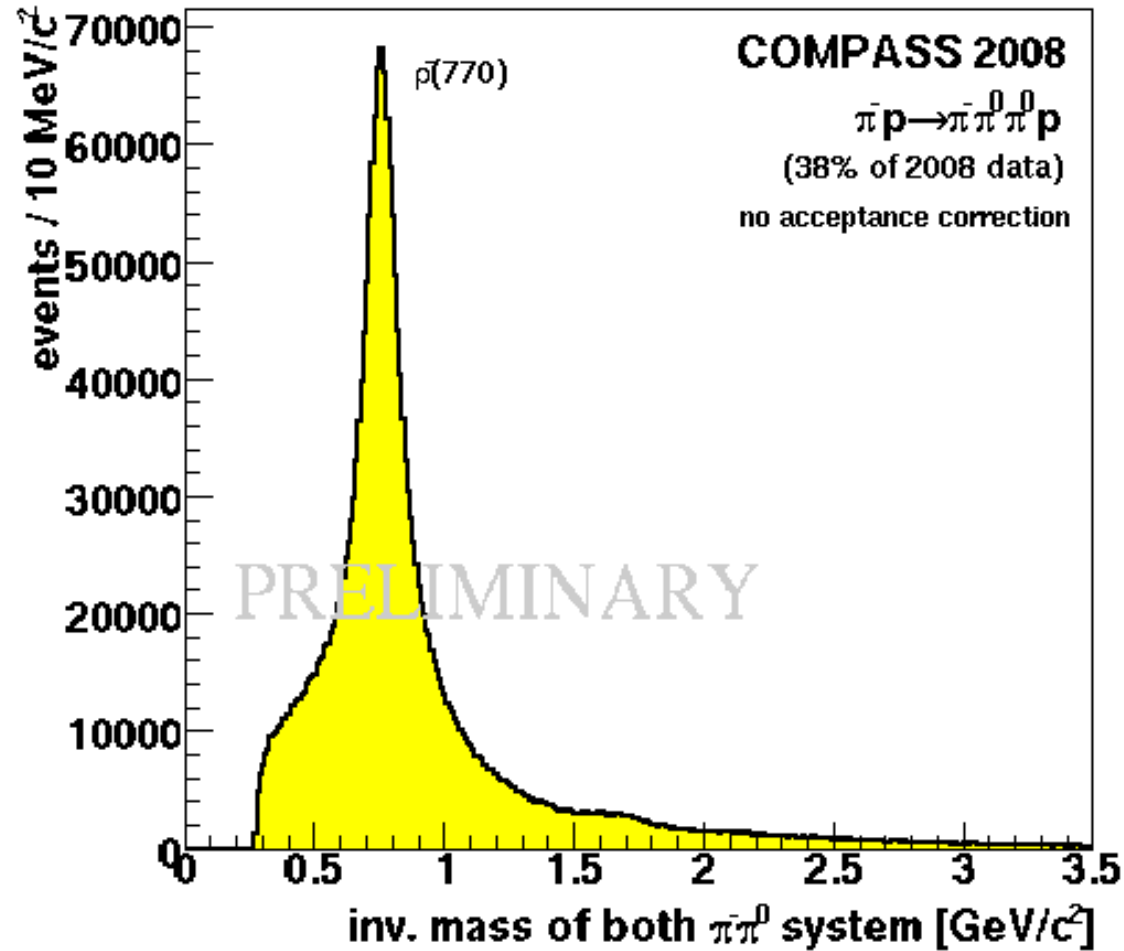


Mass spectrum of $\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0$ final state





Mass spectrum of both $\pi^-\pi^0$ systems





Mass spectrum: $\pi^0\pi^0$ systems

