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e^+e^- emission in pp collisions @ 4.5 GeV



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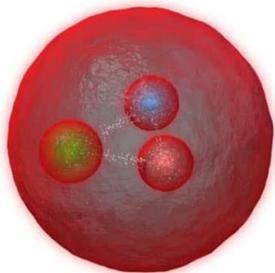
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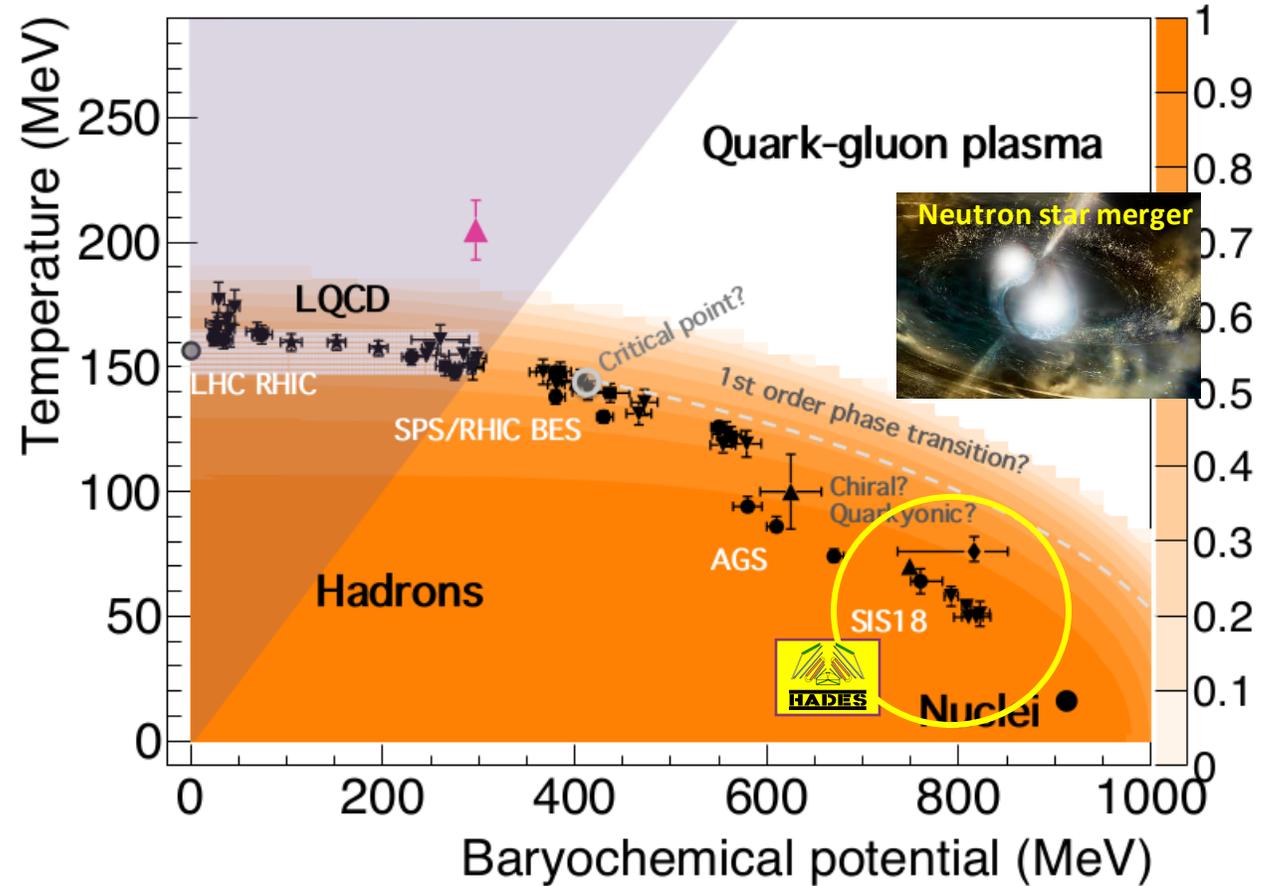
- Motivations.
- Data analysis.
- Simulations.
- Conclusion and outlook.

QCD phase diagram

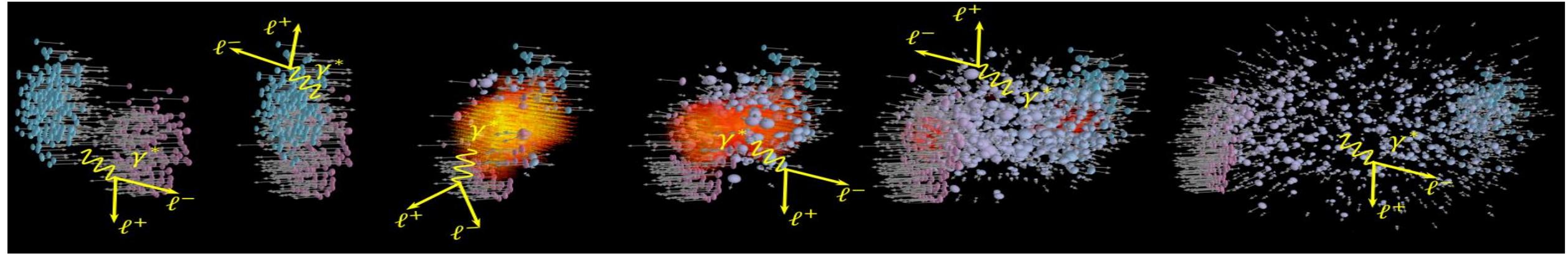
- HADES explores the high baryochemical potential region at low T, with heavy ion collisions SIS18 energies.
- Complementary to LHC, SPS, RHIC, etc ...
 - A+A: 1-3A GeV
 - $v_{NN} = 2-2.4$ GeV
 } SIS18 range
- Equation of state of hadronic matter.
- Microscopic structure of baryon rich matter: baryonic resonances role.



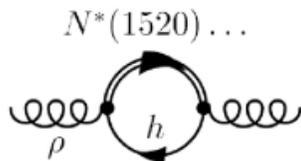
N(1440)
 N(1520)
 N(1535)
 $\Delta(1232)$
 $\Delta(1620)$



Why dileptons?

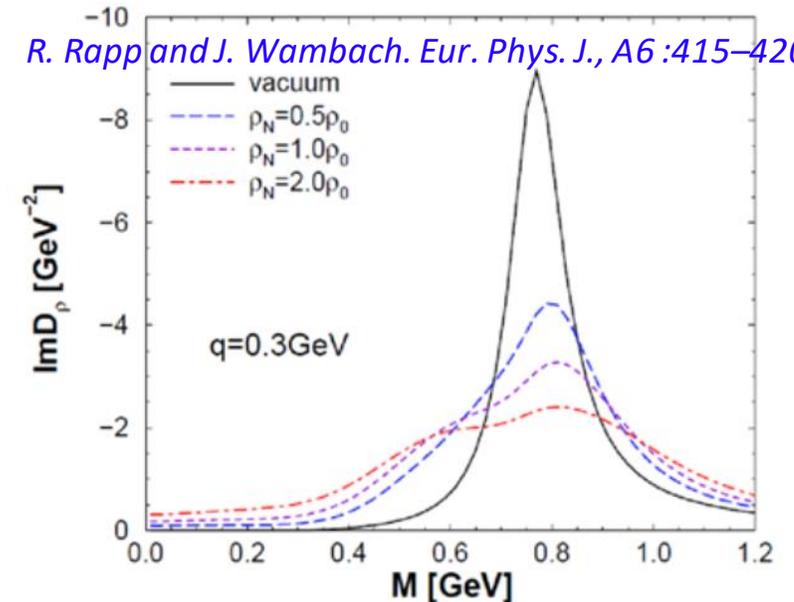


- Ideal probe of dense and hot phase of a heavy-ion collision.
- No strong final state interaction: mean free path larger than the system size \Rightarrow reflect the whole history of the collision.
- Informations on matter properties (chiral symmetry restoration, fireball lifetime, temperature, etc ..).
- Study in-medium properties of vector mesons ($J^P = 1^-$) (ρ, ω, ϕ), by their decay to e^+e^- pairs \rightarrow vector meson spectral function expected to be modified due to their coupling to baryons.



meson	mass (MeV/c ²)	Γ (MeV/c ²)	$c\tau$ (fm)	main decay	e^+e^- branching ratio
ρ	768	152	1.3	$\pi^+\pi^-$	$4.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$
ω	782	8.43	23.4	$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	$7.2 \cdot 10^{-5}$
ϕ	1019	4.43	44.4	K^+K^-	$3.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$

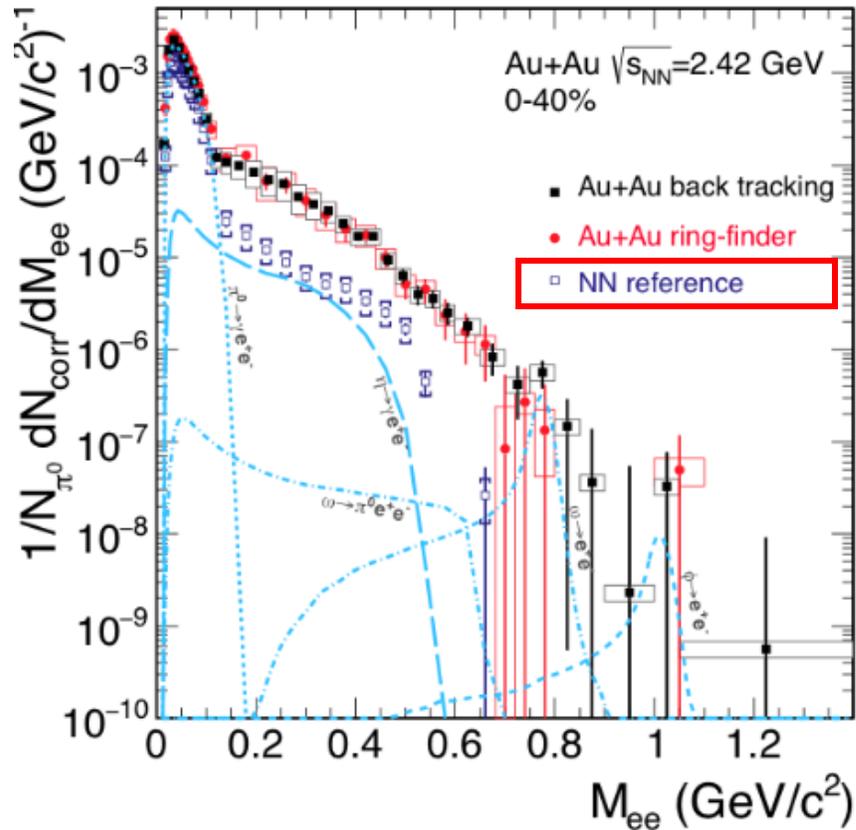
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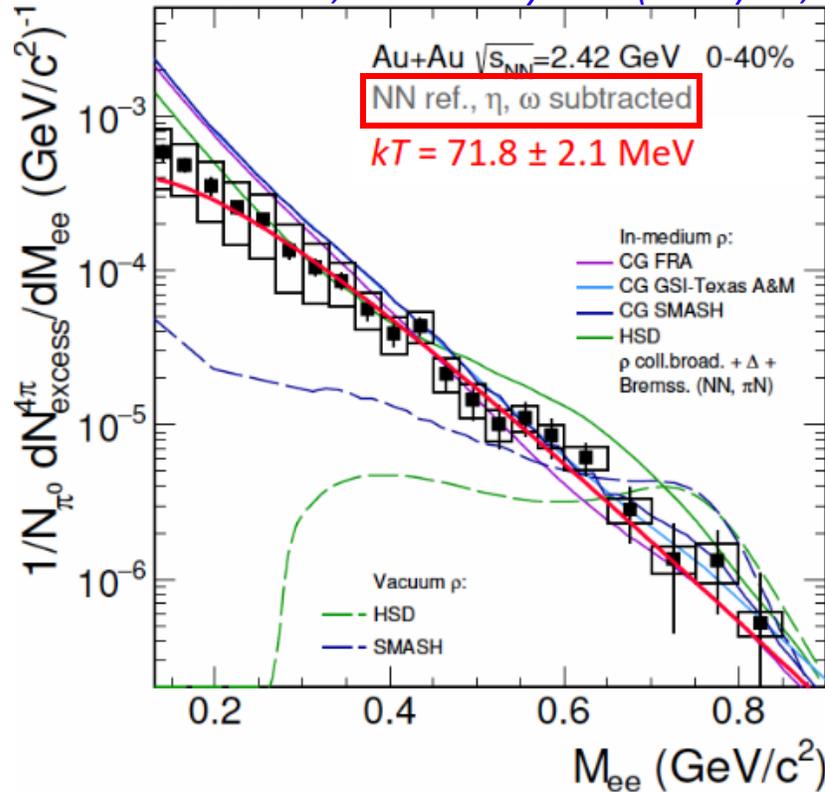
From heavy-ion to elementary reactions

- Elementary reactions don't produce a medium that can influence the structure of the hadrons via density and/or temperature effects.
- Dilepton inclusive channels provide reference spectra to the heavy ion collisions studies.
- Exclusive e^+e^- channels allow for selective study of production mechanisms.

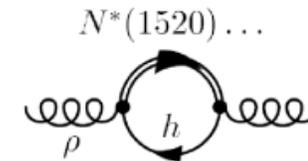
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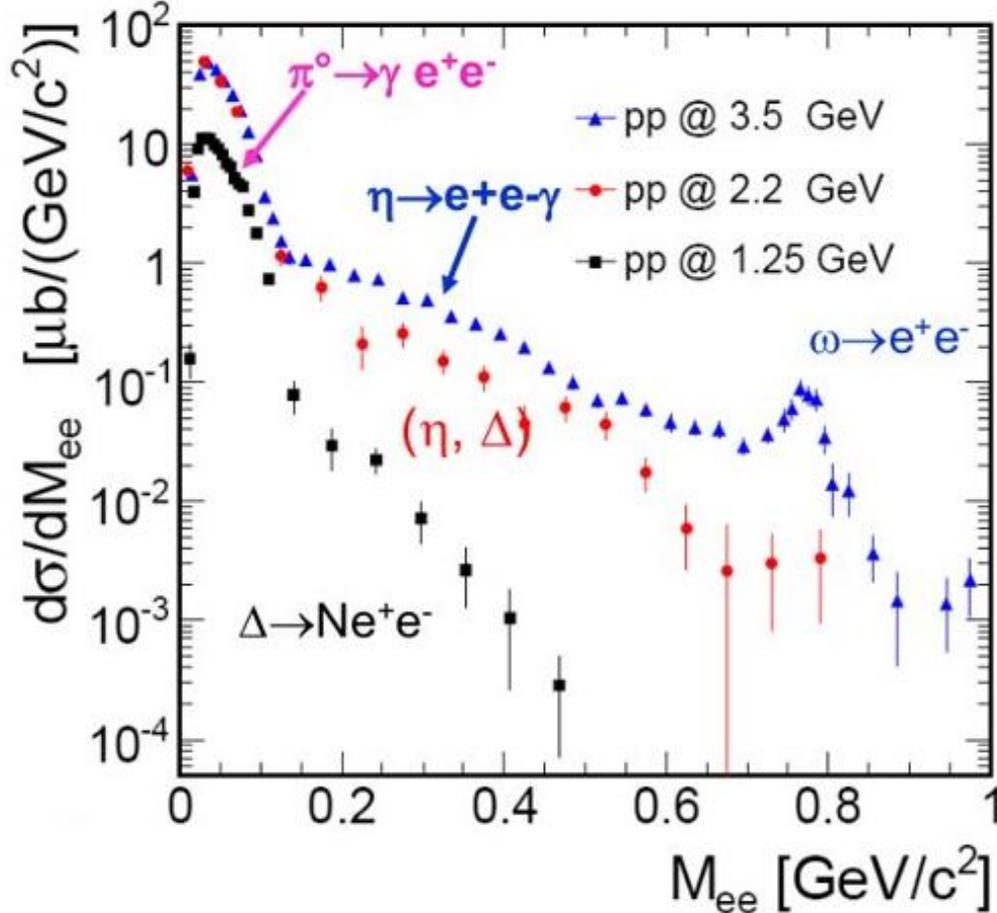
From heavy-ion experiments:
Strong broadening of in
medium ρ spectral function
due to its coupling
with baryonic resonances.



Study of pp reactions with HADES

Main dilepton sources for pp collisions

G. Agakishiev et al., PRC85 054005 (2012); Eur.Phys.J. A50 (2014) 8

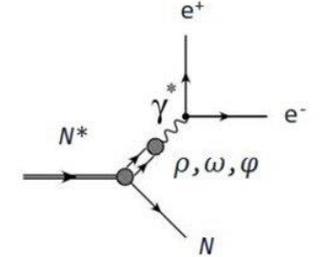


Recent experiment pp at 4.5 GeV/nucleon FEB22

- It will be reference for future heavy-ion collisions at higher energies (SIS100): role of baryonic resonances at this energy.
- Expected to see ϕ in the e^+e^- invariant mass spectrum.

Long lived sources

- π^0 Dalitz-decay (BR~1.2%): $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma e^+e^-$.
- $\Delta(1232) \rightarrow N\pi^0$, $N(1520) \rightarrow N\pi^0\pi, \dots$
- η Dalitz decay (BR ~0.6%): $\eta \rightarrow \gamma e^+e^-$.
- $N(1535) \rightarrow N\eta, \dots$
- η' Dalitz decay (BR~ 4.7×10^{-4}): $\eta' \rightarrow \gamma e^+e^-$.
- ω Dalitz-decay (BR~ 7.7×10^{-4}): $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+e^-$.
- ω direct decay (BR~ 7×10^{-5}): $\omega \rightarrow e^+e^-$.
- ϕ direct decay (BR~ 3×10^{-4}): $\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$.

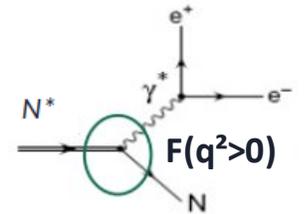
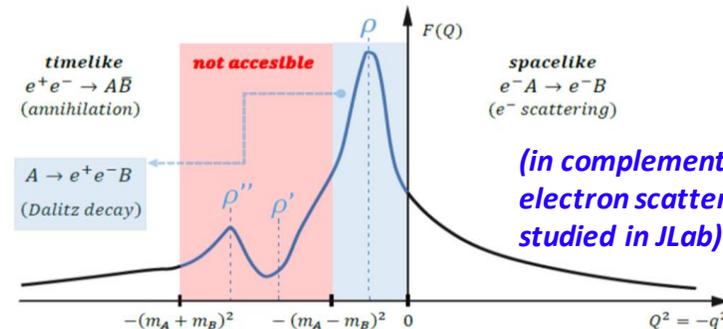


Short lived sources

- ρ direct decay (BR~ 4×10^{-5}): $\rho \rightarrow e^+e^-$.
- Baryon Dalitz-decay $\Delta/N^* \rightarrow Ne^+e^-$.

Vector dominance model.

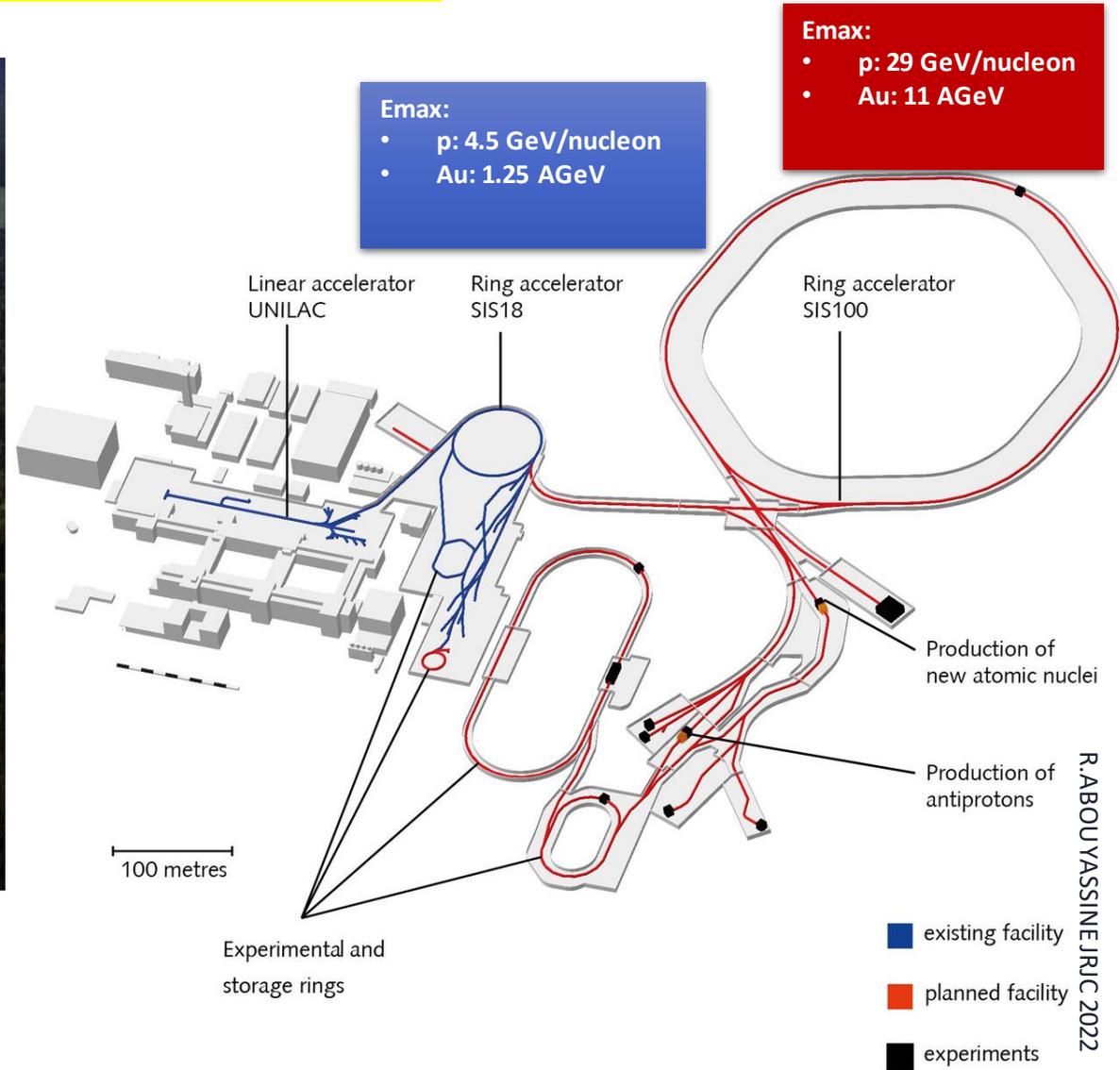
Time-like electromagnetic baryon transition form factors.



HADES collaboration and FAIR @ GSI

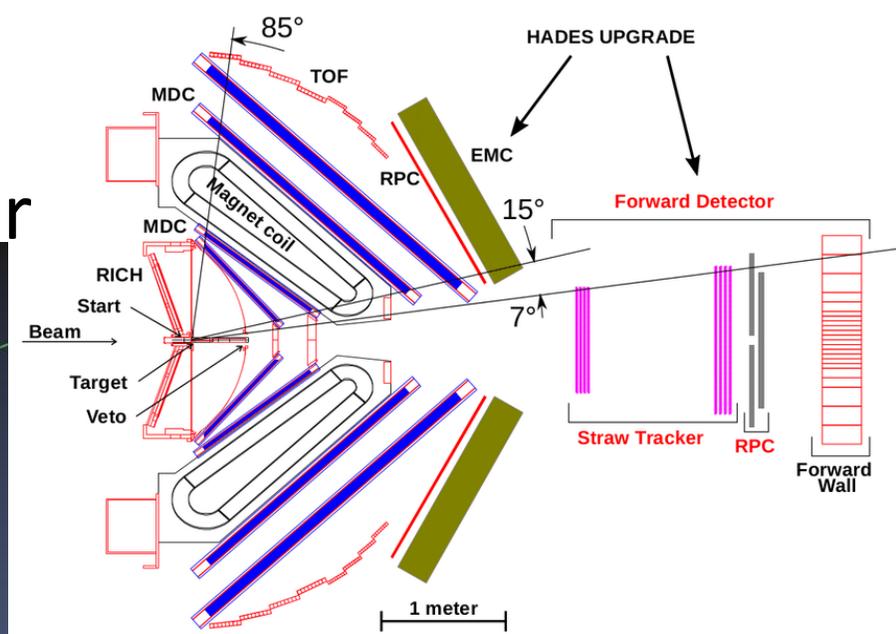
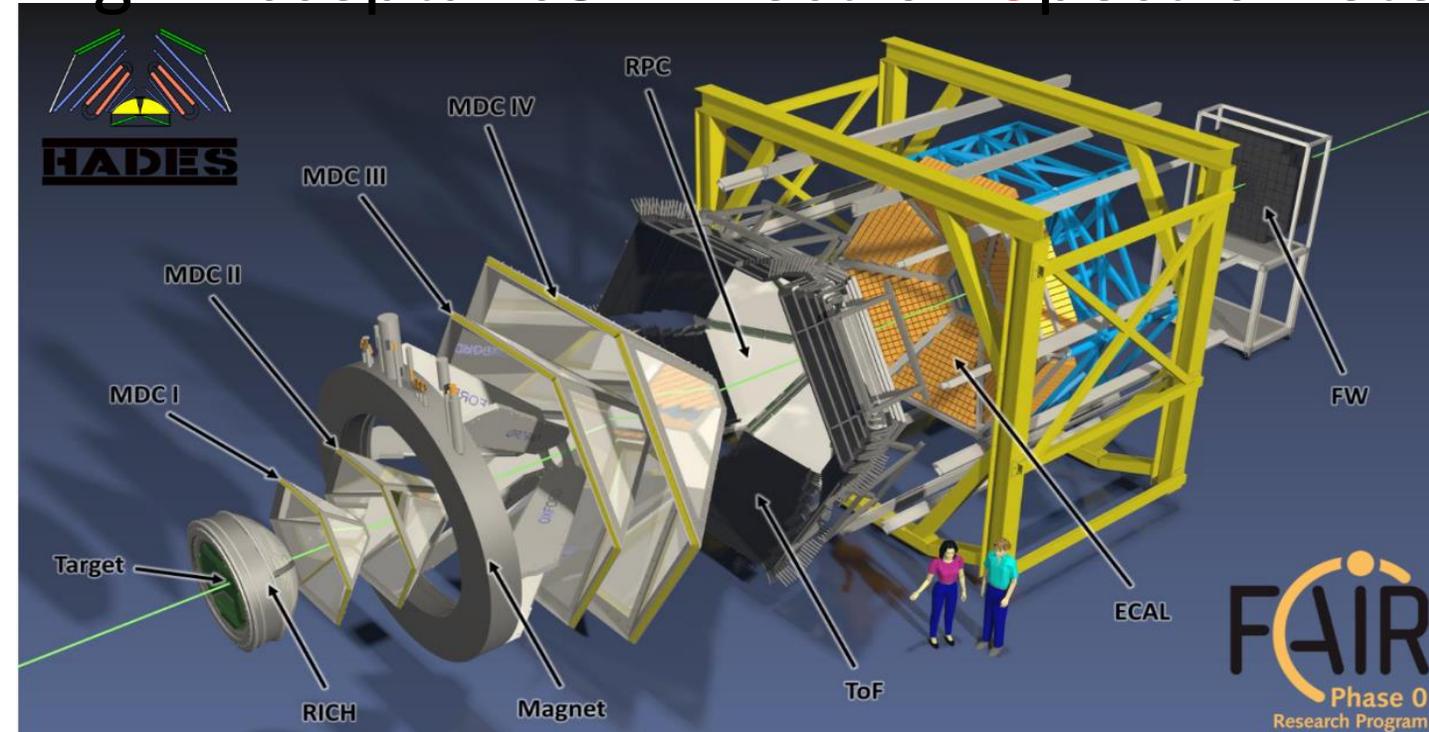
20 institutions from 10 European countries.
 HADES actually is running on SIS18/GSI.
 HADES will migrate to FAIR (Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research) SIS100
 accelerator.

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HADES experimental setup

High Acceptance DiElectron Spectrometer



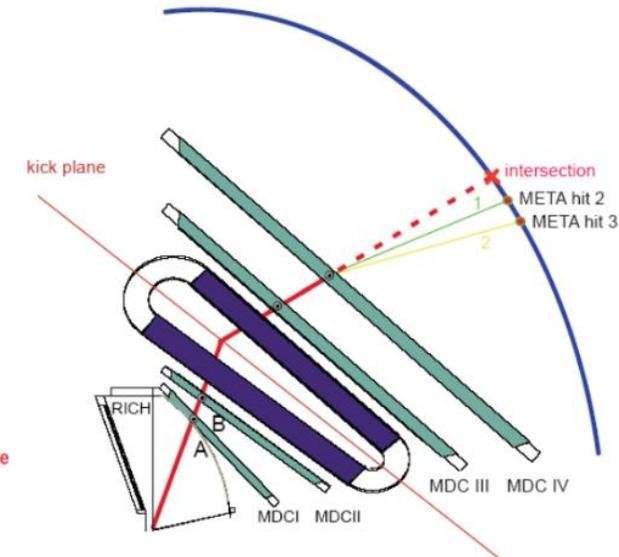
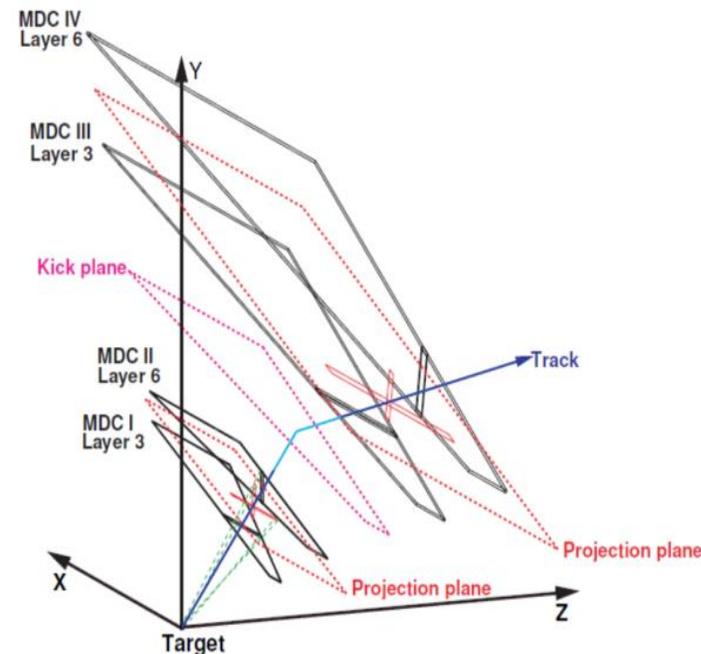
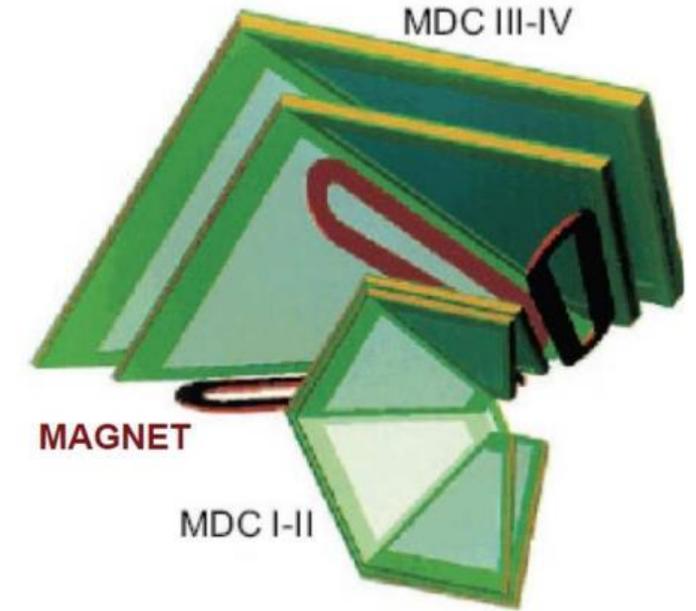
- Fixed target experiment.
- Large geometrical acceptance: full azimuthal range and polar angles 18° and 85° .
- Efficient track reconstruction and momentum determination (MDC+Magnet) and particle identification (RICH, TOF, RPC and ECAL).
- FWD: polar angles $[0.5^\circ - 7^\circ]$.

Experiments (2004-2022)

- Dense and hot hadronic matter studies: **C+C** (1 and 2 AGeV), **Ar+KCl** (1.75 AGeV), **Au+Au** (1.25 AGeV), **Ag+Ag** (1.65 AGeV).
- Cold matter studies : **p+Nb** (3.5 GeV), **$\pi^- + C/W$** (1.7 GeV/c), **$\pi^- + CH_2/C$** (0.7 GeV/c).
- Elementary reactions: **p+p** (1.25, 2.2, 3.5 and recently 4.5 GeV), **d+p** (1.25 GeV/nucleon).

Track reconstruction and momentum determination

- Principle: reconstruction of particle momentum by the measurement of their deflection in the magnetic field.
- Two segments are fitted to the hits measured in inner and outer MDC chambers.
- Full track reconstruction and momentum determination using fourth order Runge-Kutta algorithm.
- Outer segments need to be combined with META hits (time of flight measurements in TOF and RPC).



Lepton identification using time of flight

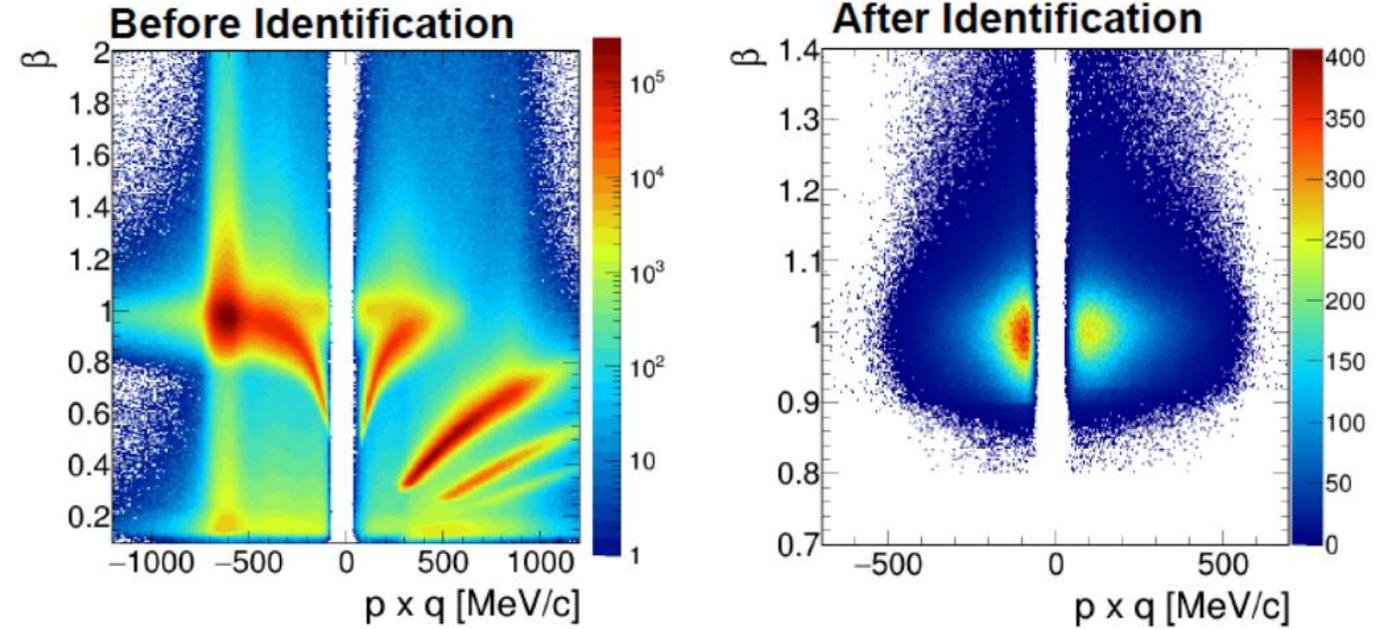
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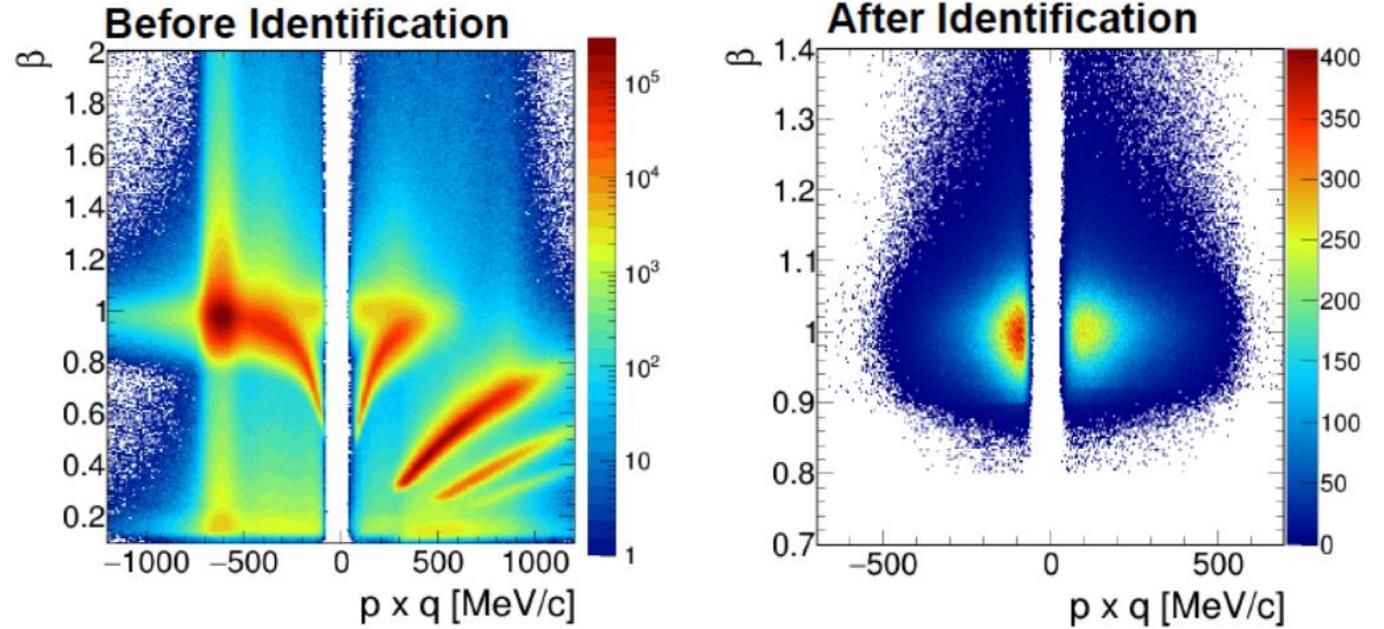
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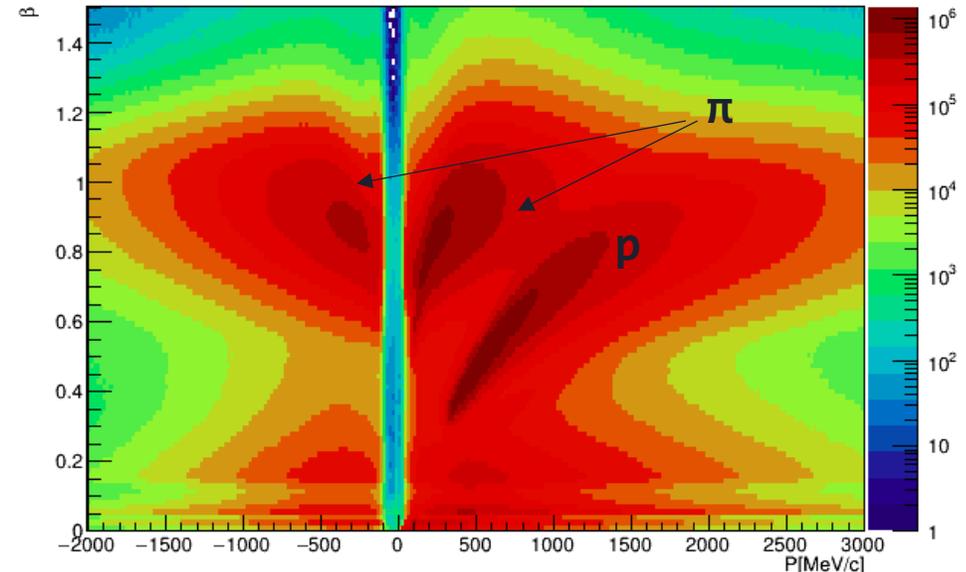
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β vs P with no selection



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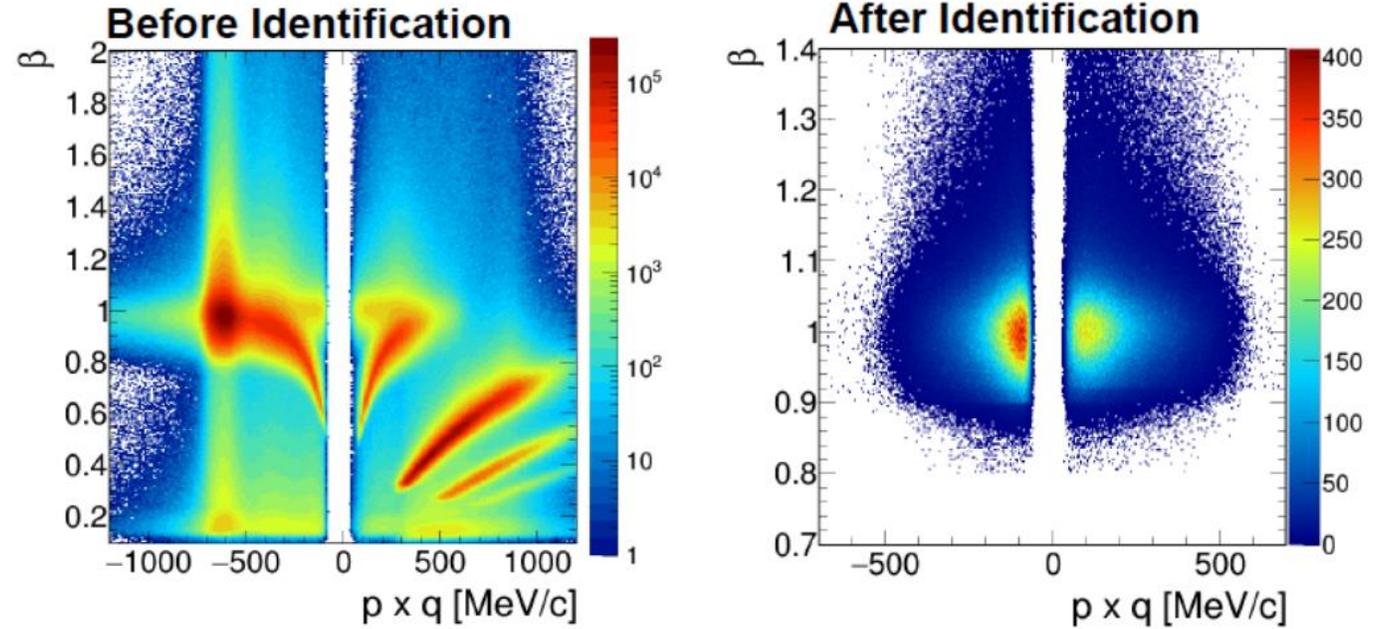
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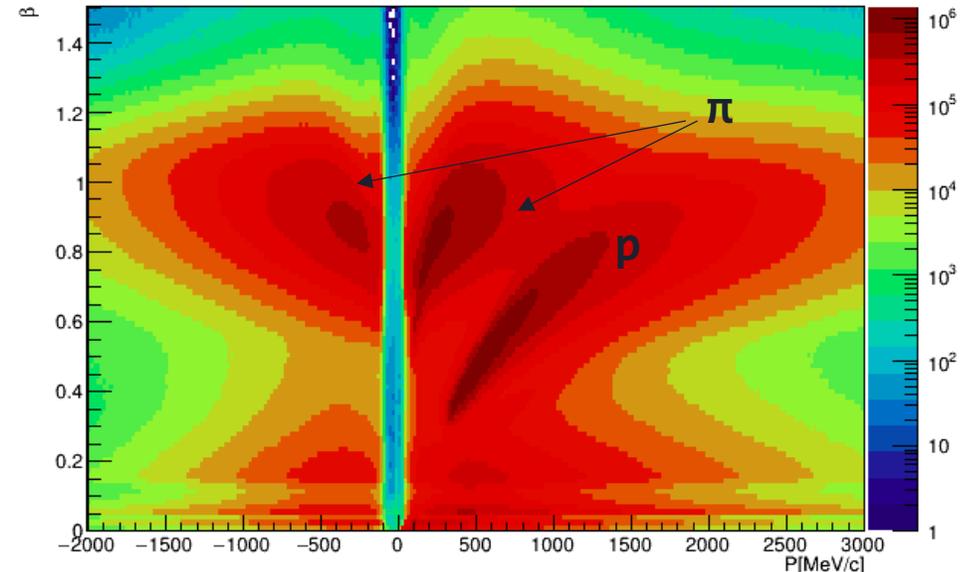
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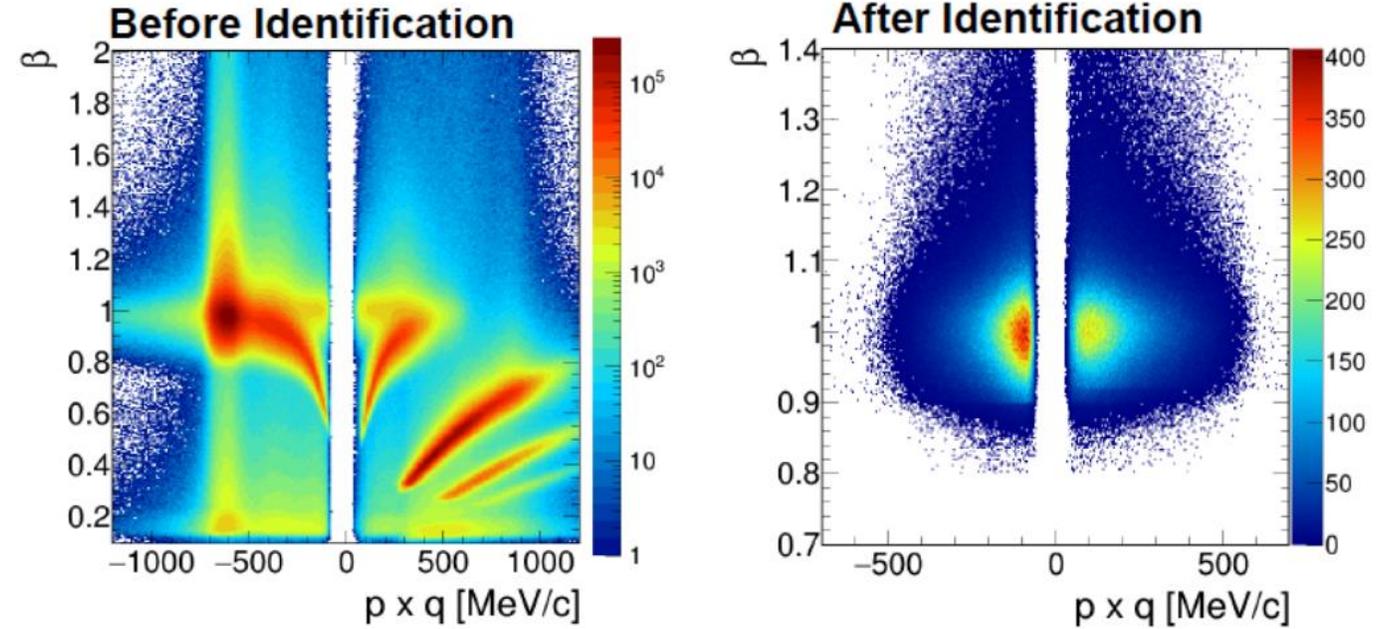
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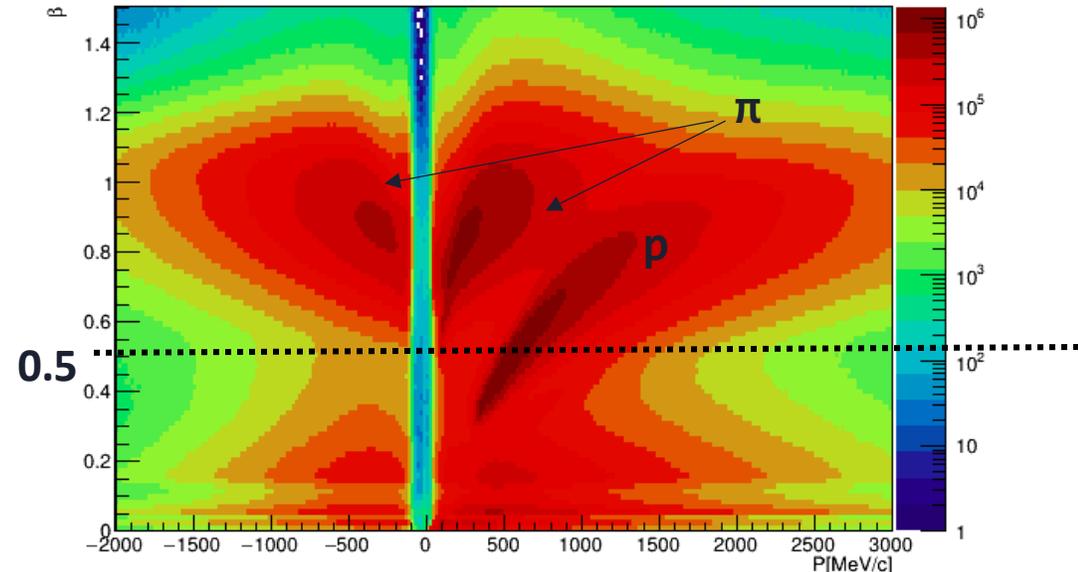
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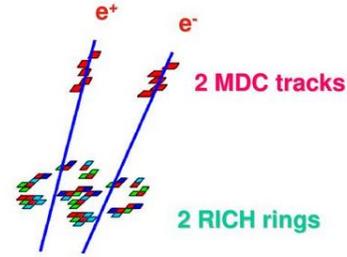


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Loose cut on $\beta > 0.5$

Lepton identification using RICH

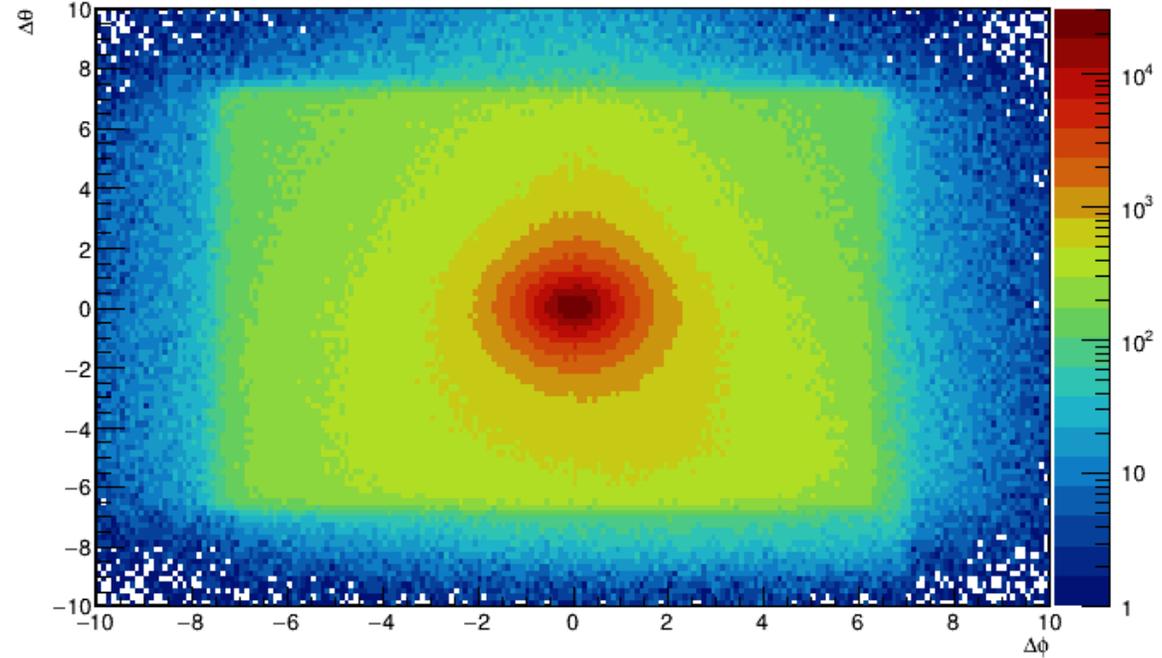
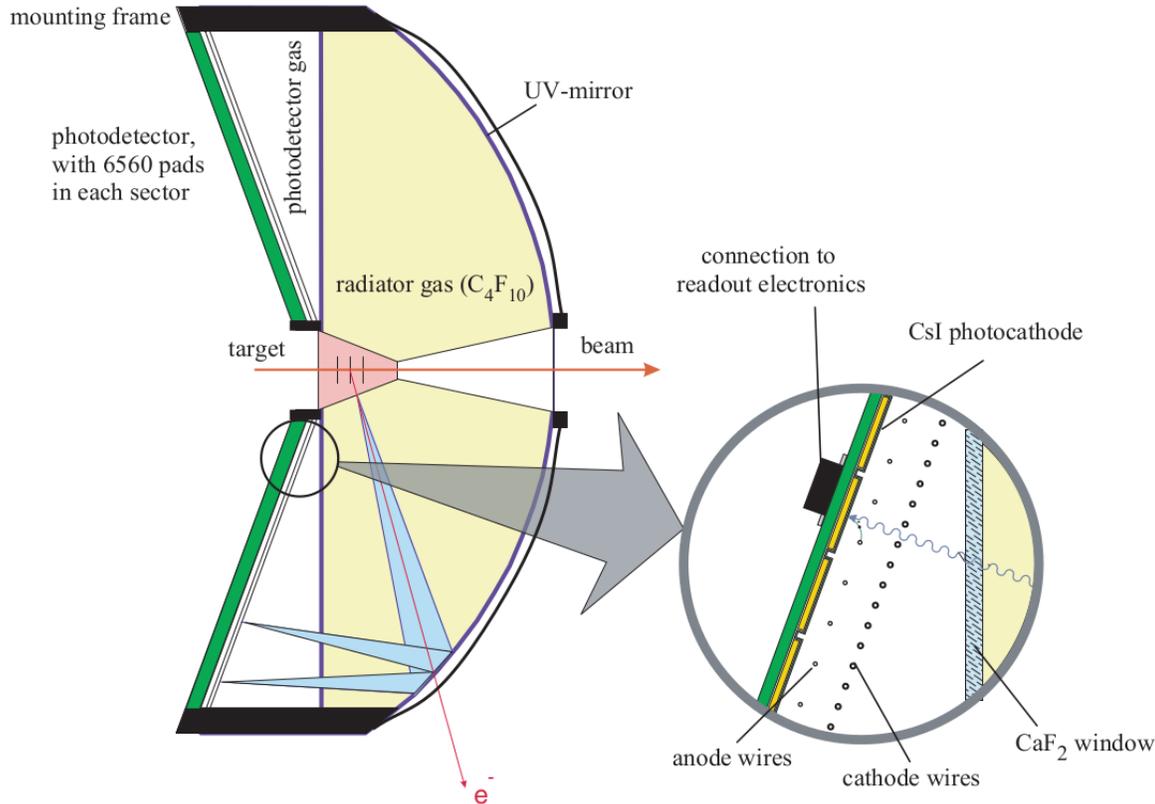
- RICH: only e^+e^- give a signal (ring).
- **RICH-MDC correlation:** consider spatial correlation between the track directions found in the RICH and the inner MDCs track segments.
- Need to put cuts on the differences between the angles of the track candidate and the rich ring center: $\Delta\theta$ and $\Delta\phi$.



First e^+e^- candidates selection criteria:

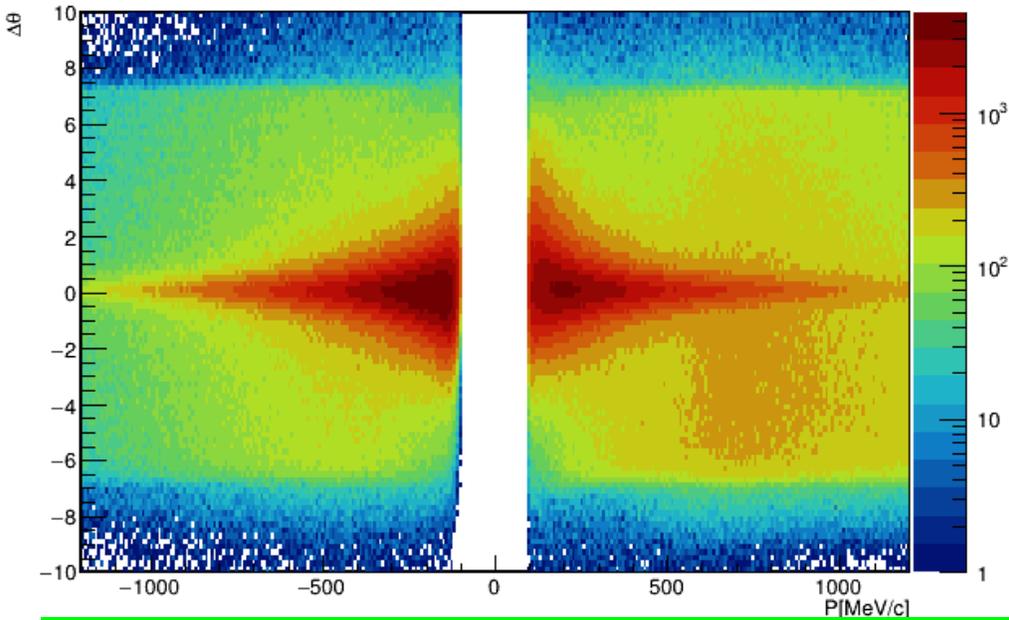
$\Delta\theta$ and $\Delta\phi$ between -8° and 8° .

$\Delta\theta$ vs $\Delta\phi$

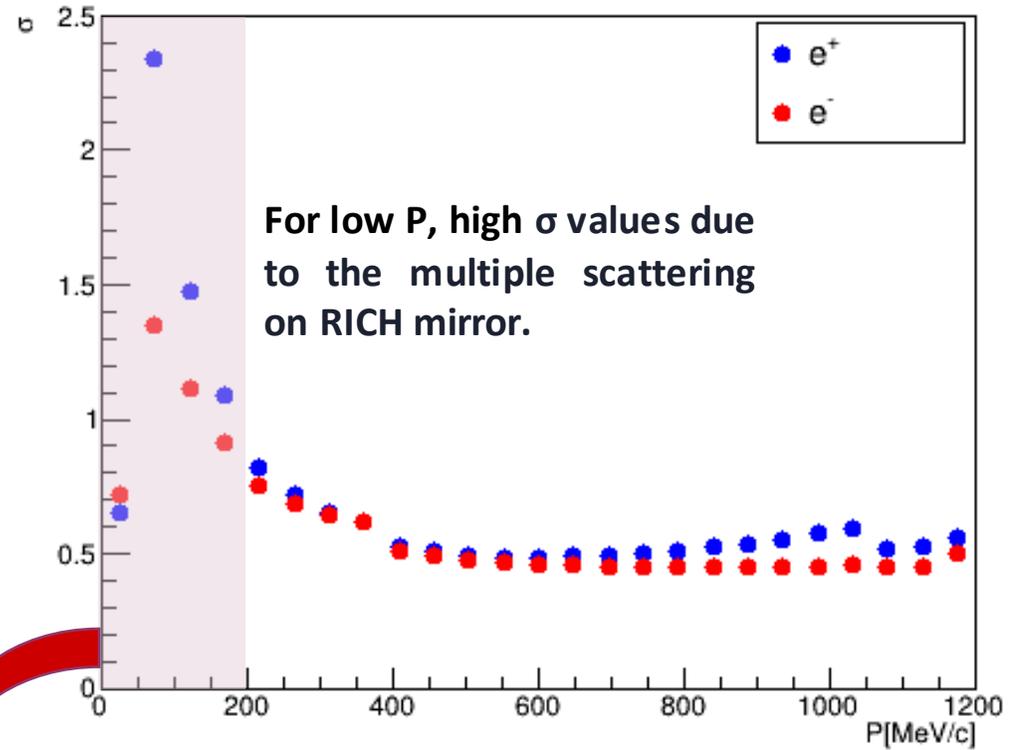


Adjusting cuts on RICH parameters

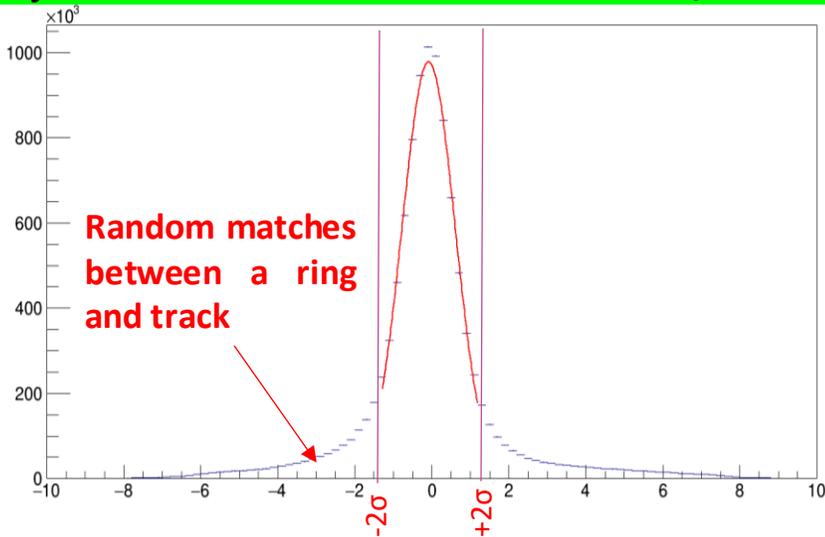
$\Delta\theta$ vs P



Cuts on $\Delta\theta$ in RPC

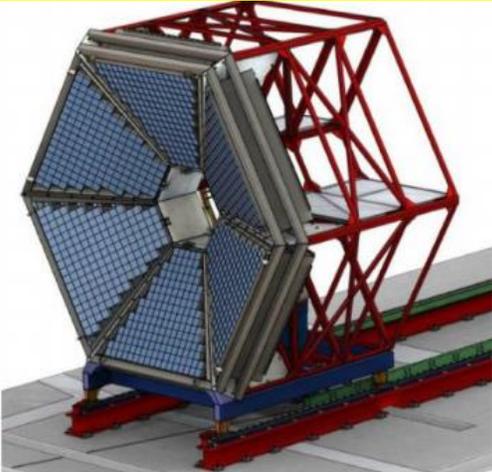


$\Delta\theta$ projections on slices of momenta 50MeV/c + Gaus Fit.

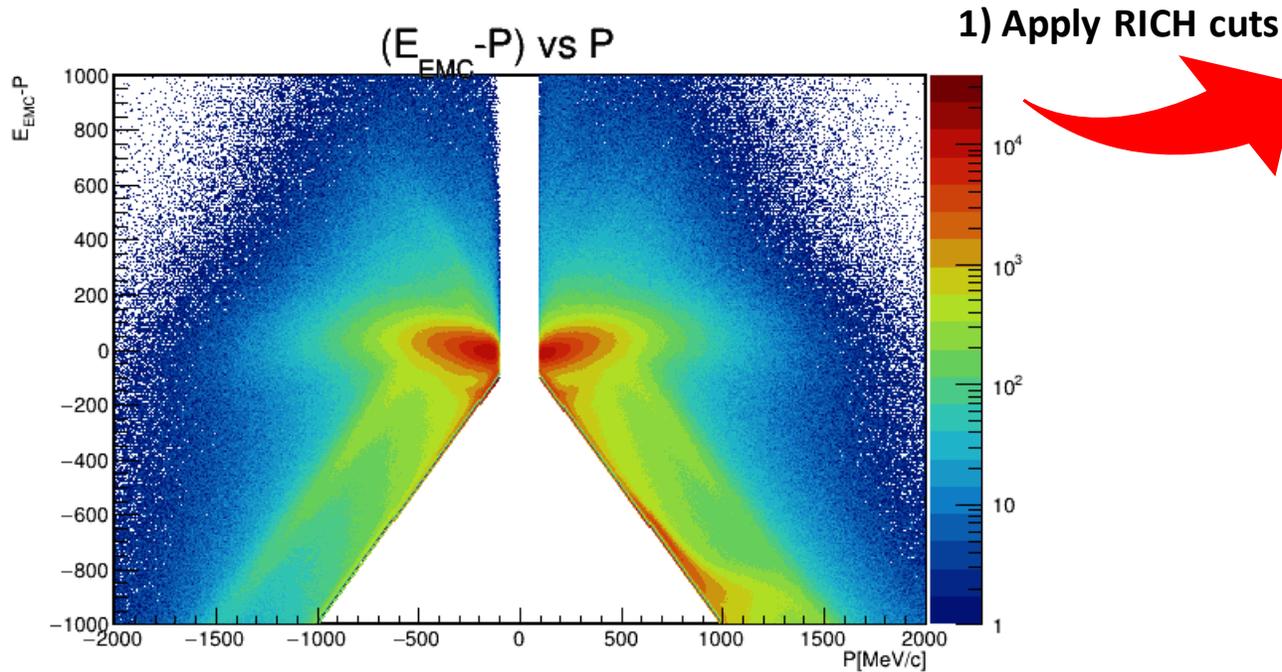


- Do same work for $\Delta\phi$.
- Put cuts on $\Delta\theta$ & $\Delta\phi$ between -2σ and 2σ .

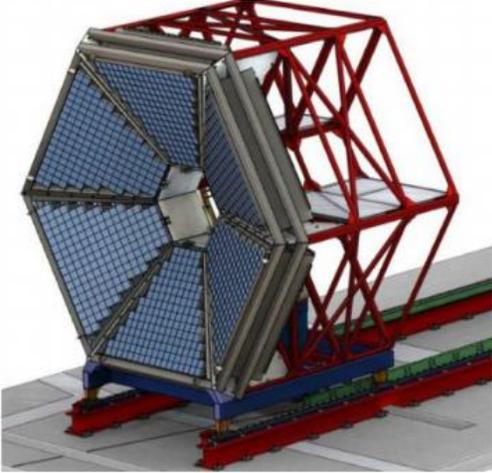
Lepton identification using ECAL



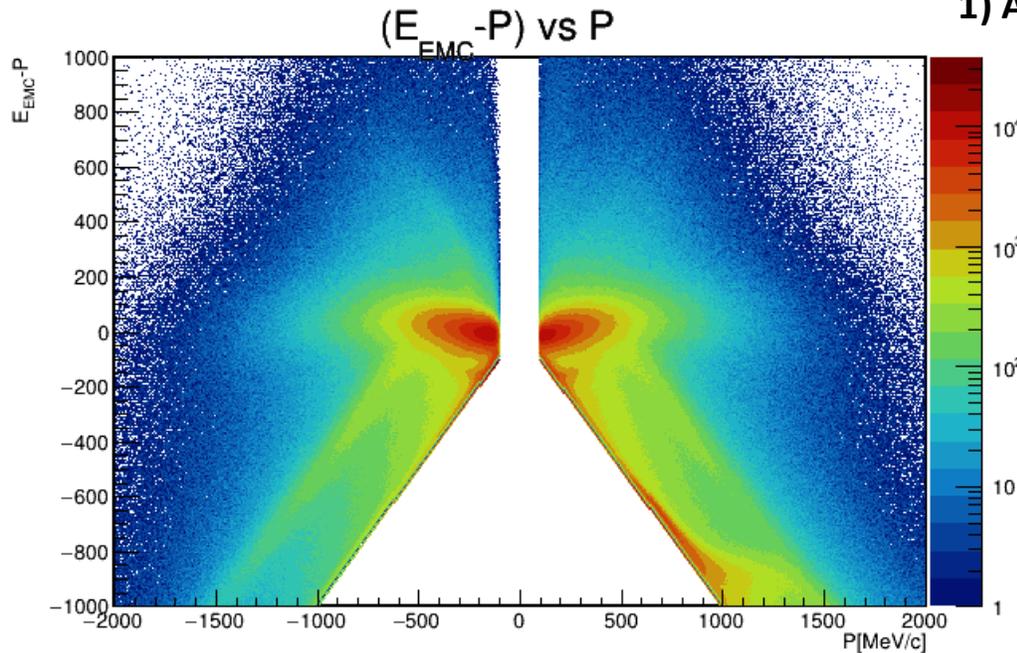
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- e^+/e^- leave all their energy in the ECAL ($E-P$ close to 0).
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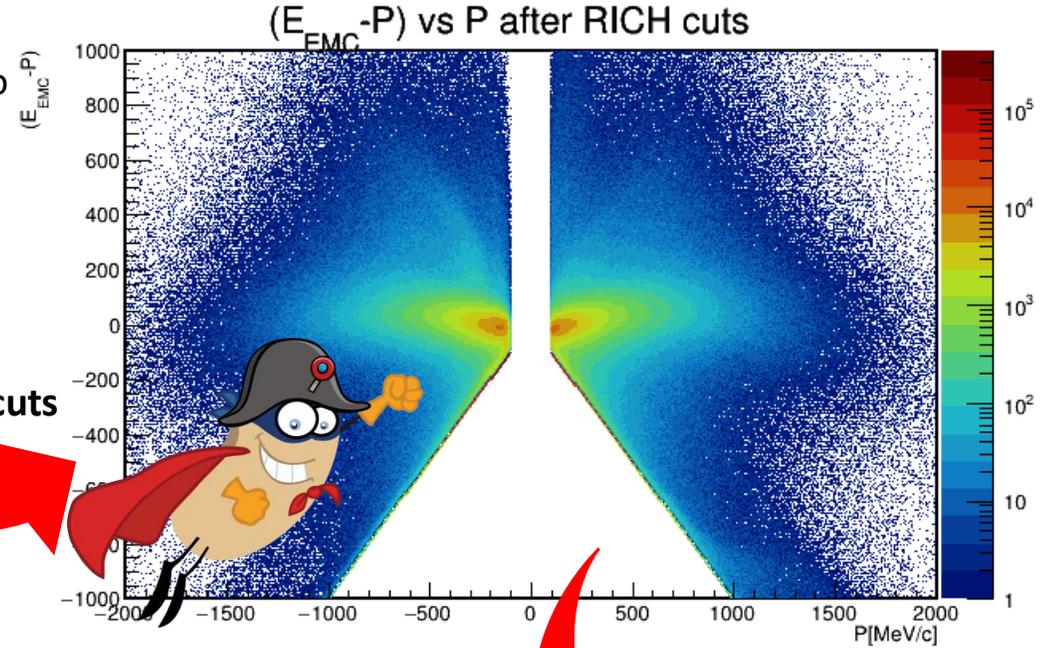
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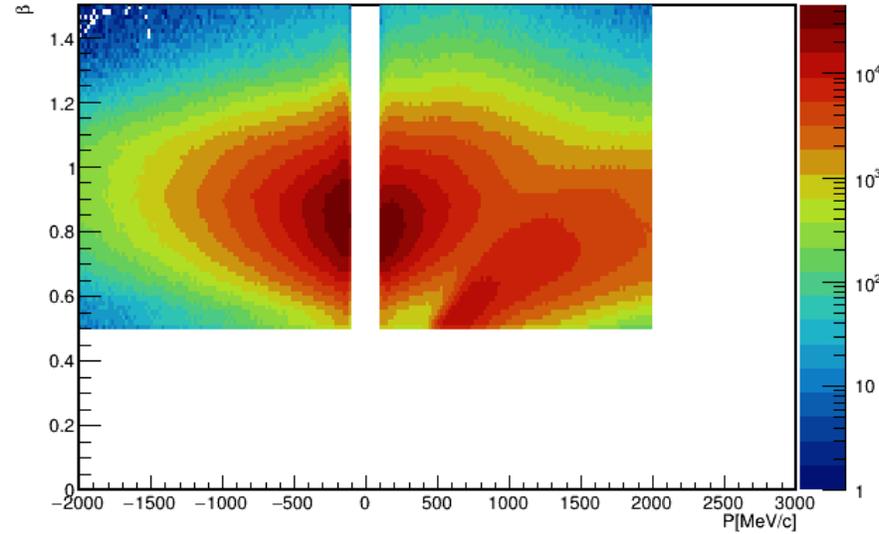
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2) Define ECal cuts : projections+gaus fit.
Take $-2\sigma < (E-P) < 2\sigma$

Efficiency of RICH and ECal cuts

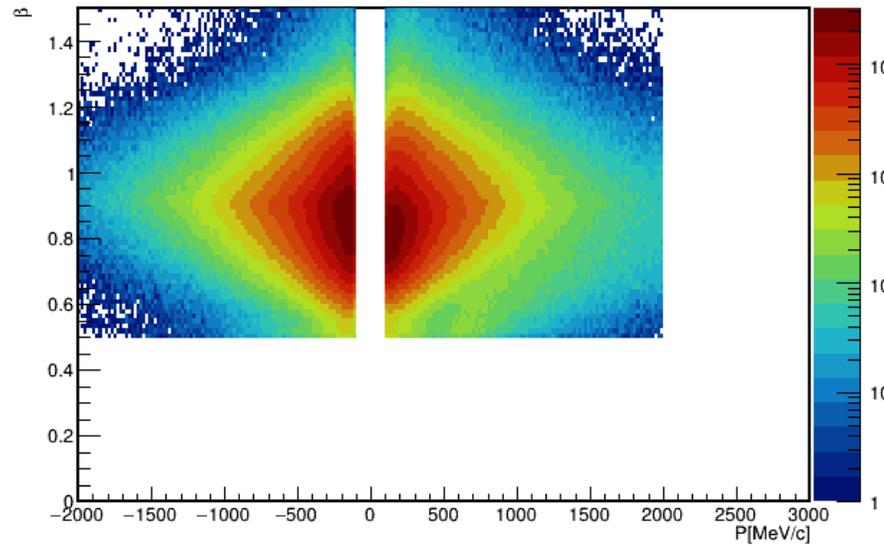
β vs P with selection



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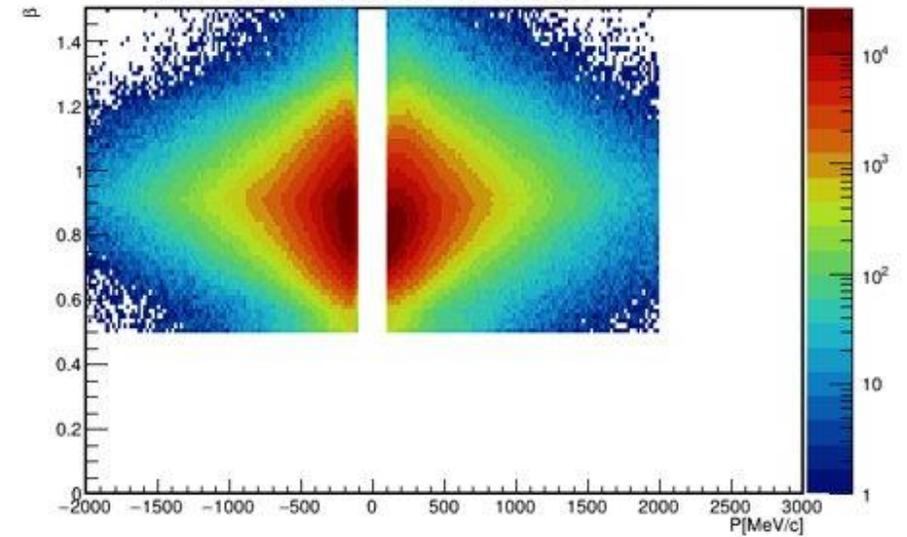
β vs P after RICH cuts



2) Apply ECal cuts



β vs P after RICH+ECAL cuts

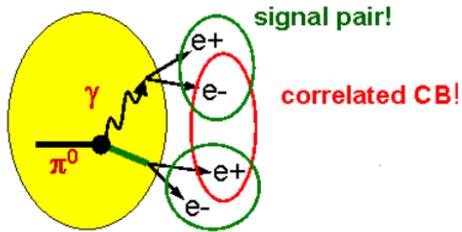


e^+e^- pairs selection

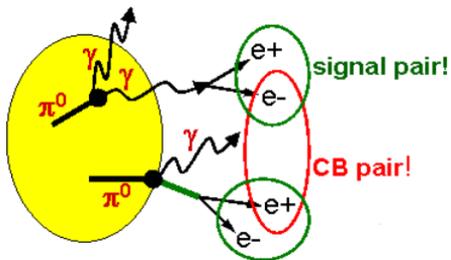
- After selection of single e^+/e^- , they should be combined into pairs .
- e^+e^- pair combinations from different virtual or real photons conversion : **to be rejected!**
- **Combinatorial background** estimation based on like-sign pairs.

$$N_{-+} = 2 \sqrt{N_{++}N_{--}}$$

- **Correlated CB:** e^+ and e^- coming from the same mother particle, but not from the same intermediate (virtual) photon.



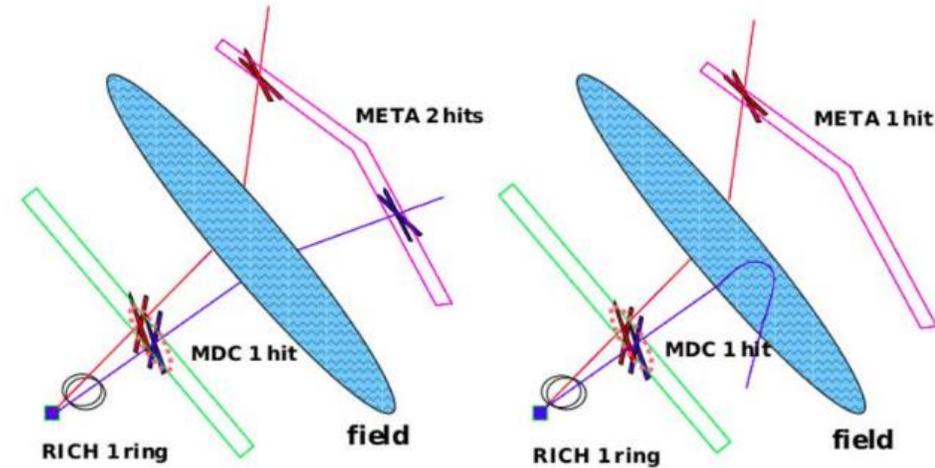
- **Uncorrelated CB:** e^+e^- coming from different mother particles.



CB can be reduced!

Single lepton Cuts:

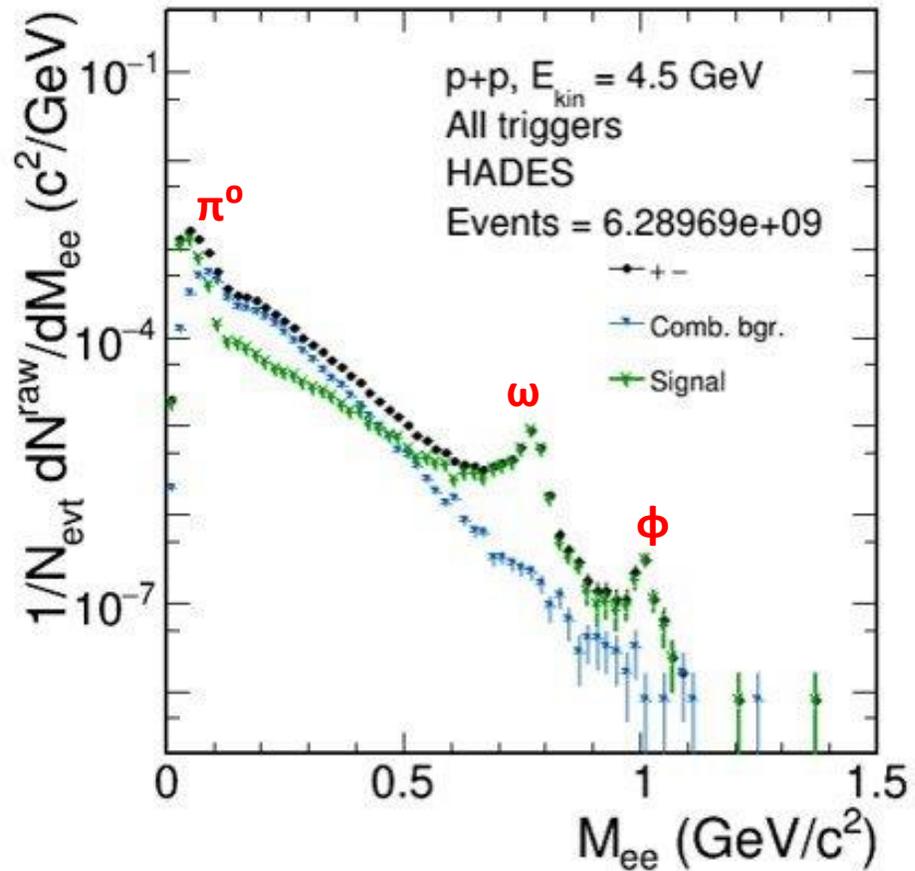
- CB mostly due to conversion: "close pairs" (small opening angles).
- To reject rings matched to 2 inner segments with opening angle $< 9^\circ$.



Pair Cut:

- Cut on the opening angle between MDCs tracks to suppress the reconstructed conversion pairs which survived the previous cuts.
- Take $\theta_{e^+e^-} > 9^\circ$.

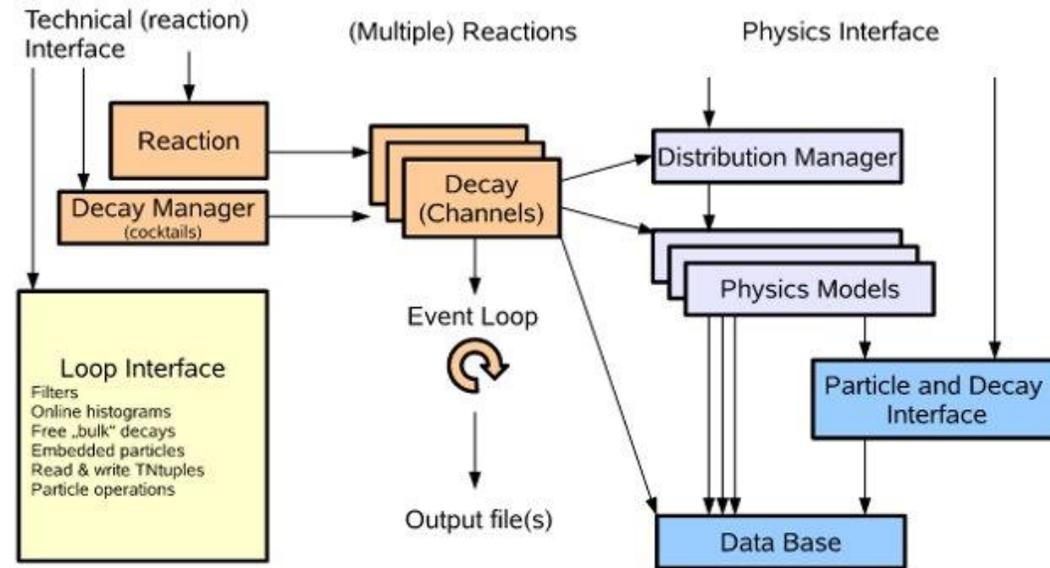
Invariant mass spectra



- Invariant mass spectra for data collected in 5 days.
- Clear peaks around the mass of π^0 , ω and ϕ .
- Still preliminary: e^+/e^- selection purity will be improved after START detector calibration.

PLUTO simulations for pp @ 4.5 GeV

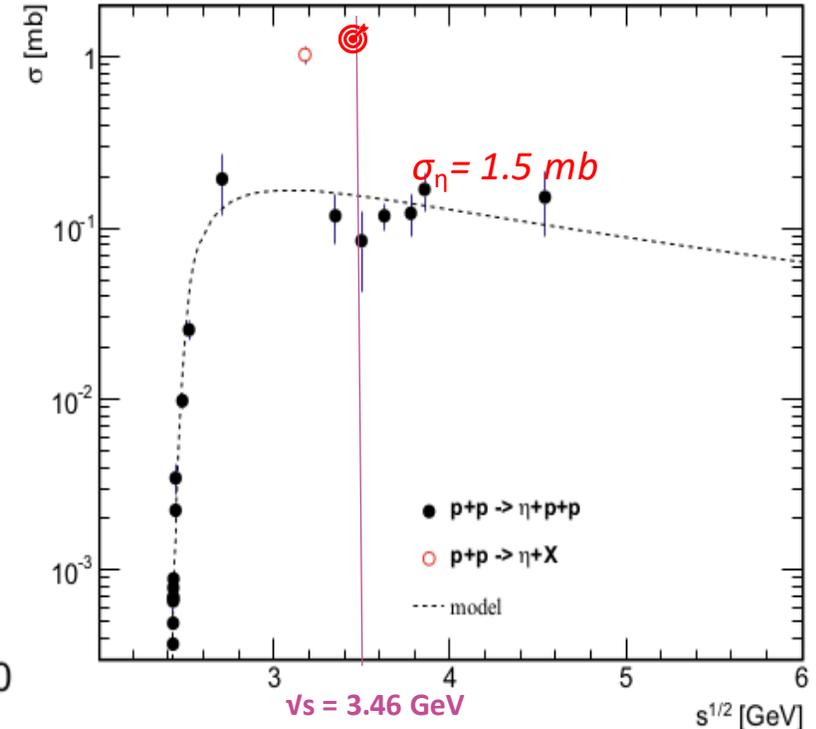
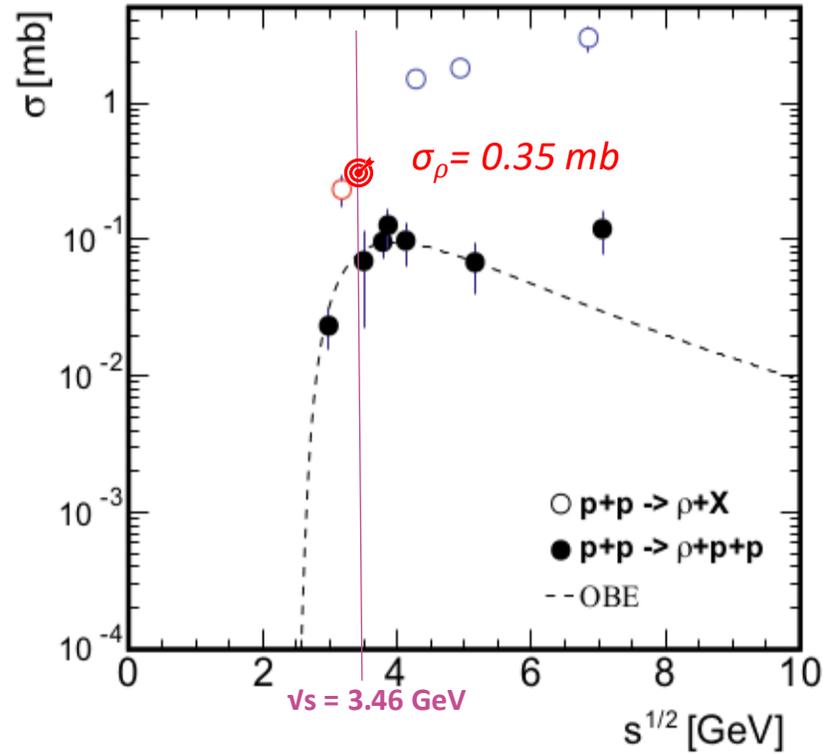
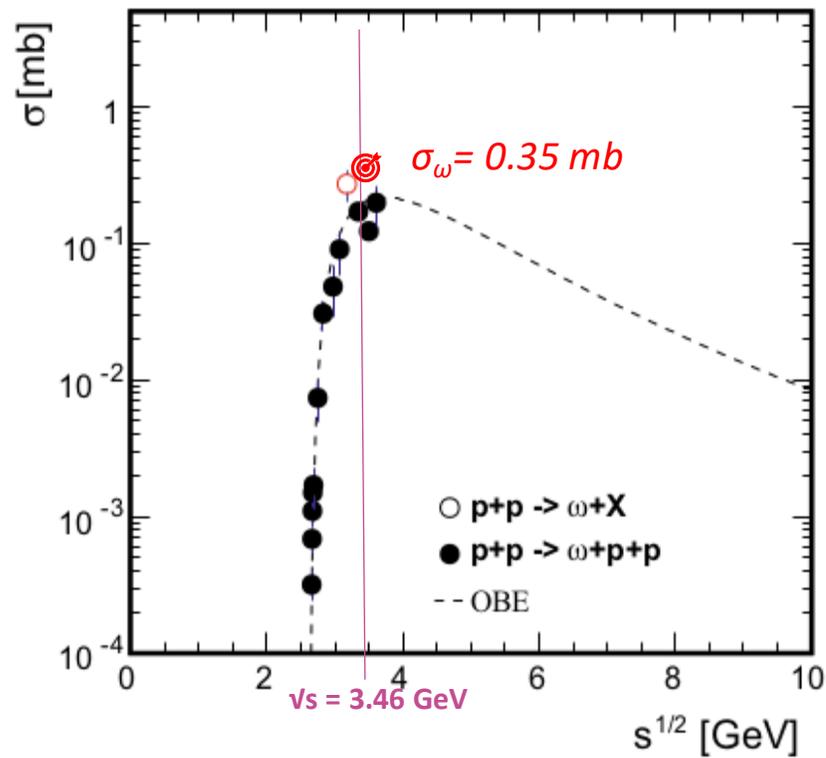
- PLUTO is an event generator.
- Developed by HADES collaboration.
- Based on ROOT.
- Used to describe the particles production and their hadronic and leptonic decays in elementary and heavy-ion reactions.
- Try to build "inclusive" dilepton cocktail for pp at 4.5 GeV to compare it to data, where we ask to have e^+e^- in the exit channel.
- Inputs: cross sections for the different dilepton sources mentioned before.
- Pass events through Geant: detector geometry+instrumental effects.
- Reconstruction similar to data analysis.



Mesons cross sections

HADES pp at 3.5 GeV

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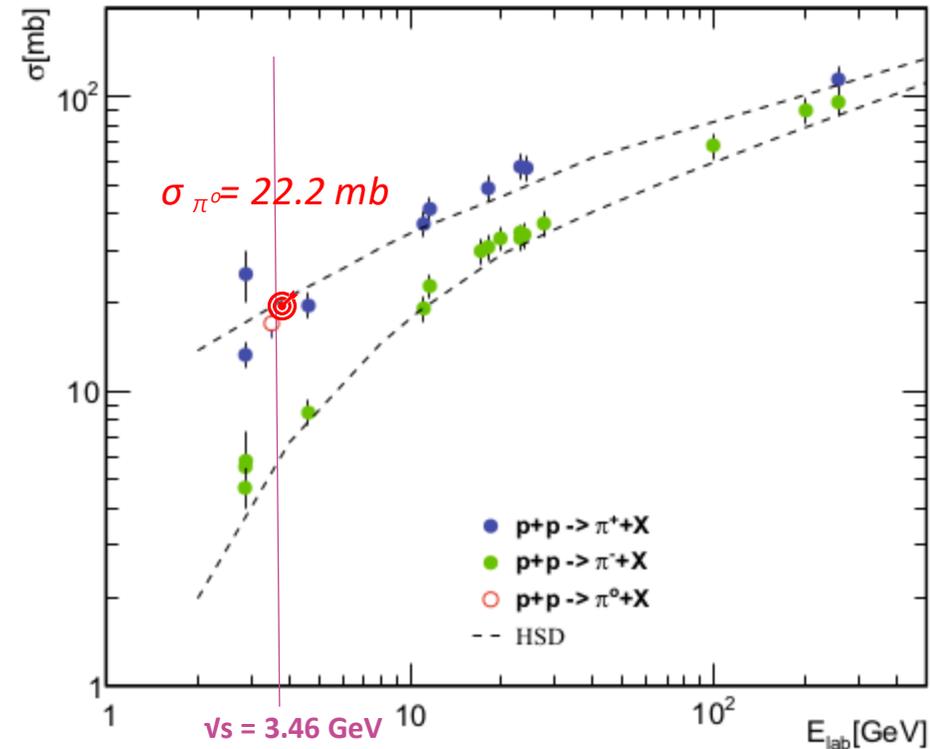
Cross sections:

- $\sigma_{\eta} = 0.83 \times 10^{-2} \sigma_{\eta}$ (Measured by DISTO in pp collisions at 3,67 GeV)
- $\sigma_{\phi} = 8 \times 10^{-3} \sigma_{\omega}$ (Measured by ANKE in pp collisions at 2.8 GeV)

π^0 cross section

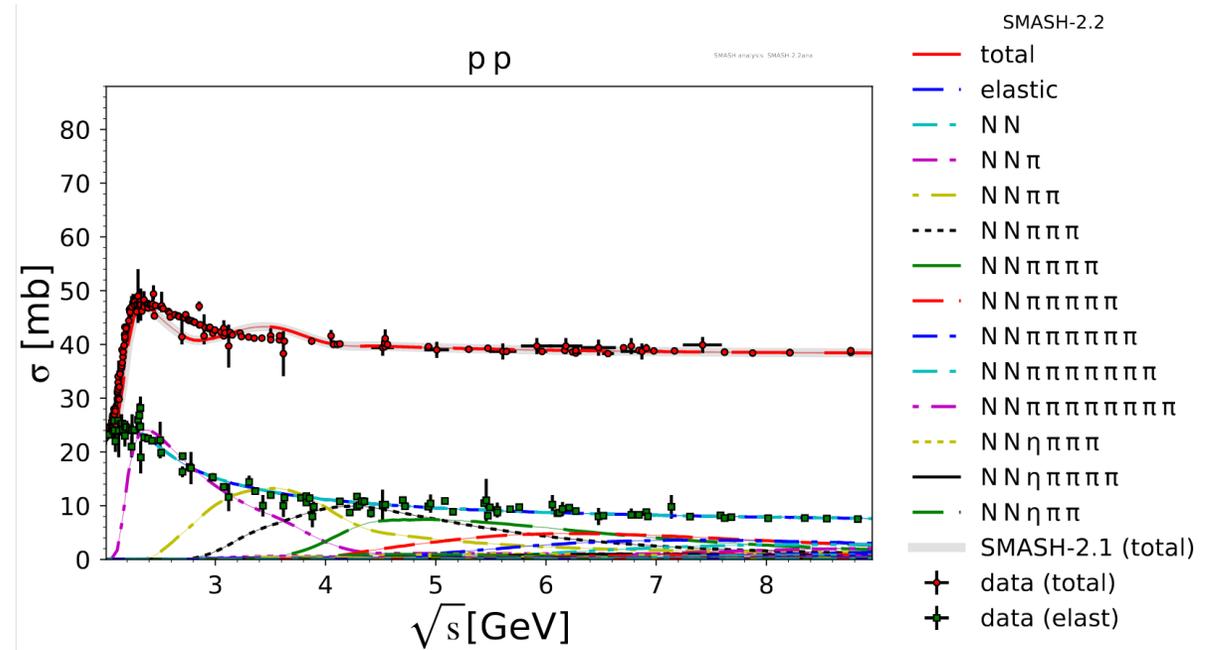
Cross sections: $\sigma_{\pi^0\pi} = 11 \text{ mb}$

- Inelastic cross section of π^0 production, from pp at 3.5 GeV.

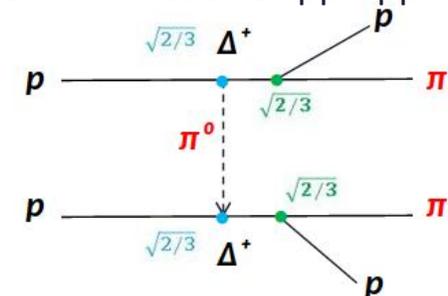


- At 4.5 GeV, one, two and three pion production coexist.
- As a first step, try to introduce one and two pion production in the cocktail.

- Very scarce information on $pp \rightarrow NN\pi\pi \Rightarrow$ use SMASH (transport model) results.



- Isospin factors deduced from $\Delta\Delta$ model for $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^0\pi^0$ and $pp \rightarrow pn\pi^0\pi^+$.



Baryons cross sections

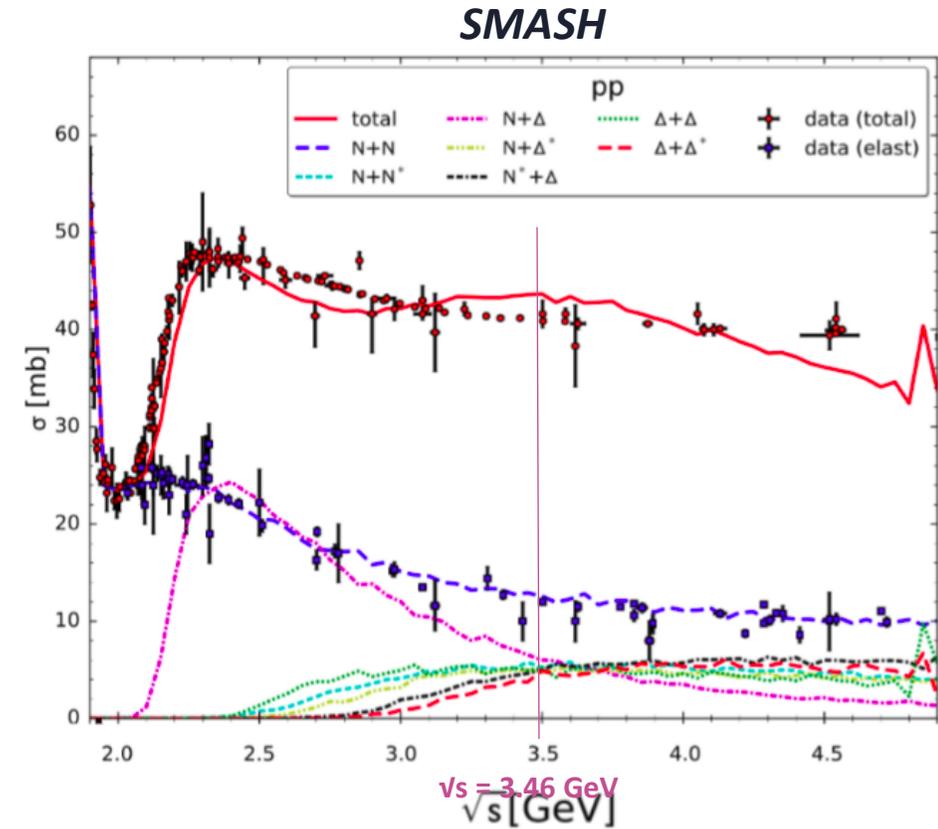
Baryon Dalitz-decay: e^+e^- source

- $pp \rightarrow p\Delta^+(pe^+e^-)$.
- $pp \rightarrow pN^+(pe^+e^-)$.
- $pp \rightarrow \Delta^+(pe^+e^-)\Delta^+(p\pi^0 / n\pi^+)$.
- $pp \rightarrow \Delta^{++}(p\pi^+)\Delta^0(ne^+e^-)$.

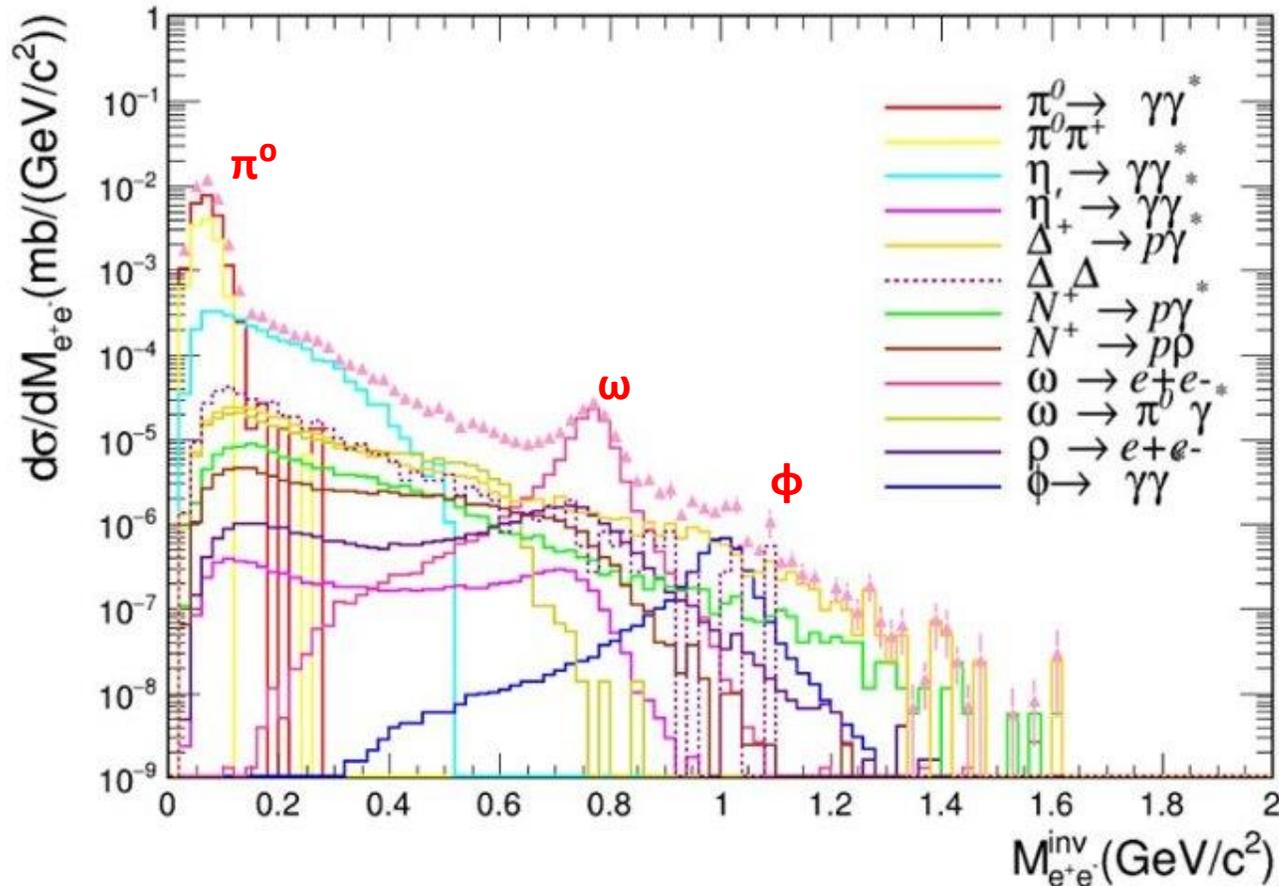
Main contributions:
 $N(1520)$,
 $\Delta(1232)$
 and $\Delta(1232)\Delta(1232)$

Effective cross sections

- $N(1520)$: $\sigma = 5 \text{ mb}$, $BR \sim 2.3 \times 10^{-5}$.
- $\Delta(1232)$: $\sigma = 11.5 \text{ mb}$.
- $\Delta(1232)\Delta(1232)$: $\sigma = 8.3 \text{ mb}$, $BR \sim 6.6 \times 10^{-5}$.

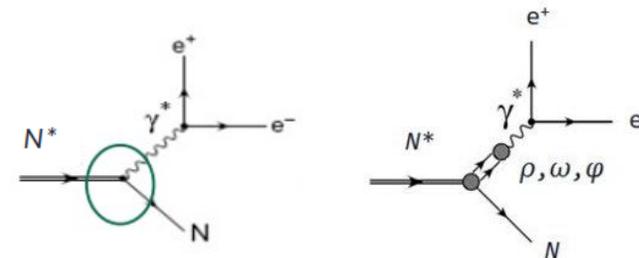


Cocktail at 4.5 GeV



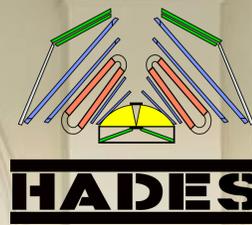
FUTUR PLAN:

- Study the exclusive channel $pp \rightarrow pe^+e^-X$.
- Detect proton (in HADES or FWD) in addition to e^+e^- pair.
- Select $pp \rightarrow ppe^+e^-$ using missing mass : to be around the proton mass ($X=p$).
- Selective study of $pp \rightarrow \Delta^+/N^* (pe^+e^-)p$ and $pp \rightarrow ppp/\omega(e^+e^-)$ investigation of VDM.



Conclusion and Outlook

- Dileptons are an ideal probe to describe properties of hot and dense QCD matter.
- This analysis will be a reference for heavy-ion collisions at SIS100 energies.
- Cuts on RICH and ECal help to select good leptons as much as possible.
- Waiting for more calibrations and MS correction that will improve the quality of our selection.
- Data will be compared to the transport models simulations.
- Extraction of ω and ϕ cross sections.
- Study of the exclusive channel $pp \rightarrow ppe^+e^-$ is a plan for selective study of baryon resonance Dalitz decay and ρ/ω decays.

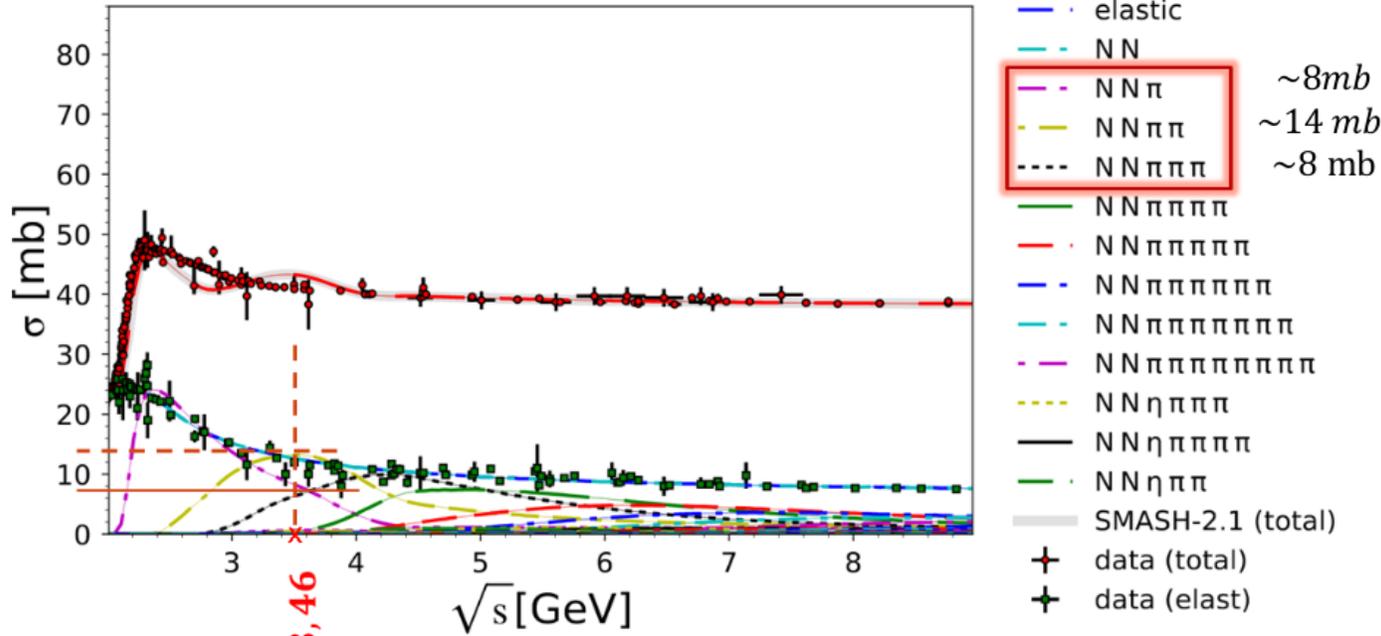


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Backup slides

IMPROVE π^0 KINEMATICS BY GENERATING 2 PION PRODUCTION



$$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow NN\pi\pi} = \sigma_{\pi^0\pi^0} + \sigma_{\pi^0\pi^+} + \sigma_{\pi^+\pi^-} + \sigma_{\pi^+\pi^+} \approx 14mb$$

$$1) pp \rightarrow pp\pi^0\pi^0 \Leftrightarrow pp \rightarrow \Delta^+(p\pi^0)\Delta^+(p\pi^0).$$

$$\sigma_{\pi^0\pi^0} = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \sigma_{\Delta^+\Delta^+}$$

$$2) pp \rightarrow pn\pi^0\pi^+ \Leftrightarrow pp \rightarrow \Delta^+(p\pi^0)\Delta^+(n\pi^+) \quad || \quad pp \rightarrow \Delta^{++}(p\pi^+)\Delta^0(n\pi^0).$$

$$\sigma_{\pi^0\pi^+} = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \times 2 \times \sigma_{\Delta^+\Delta^+} + 1 \times \frac{2}{3} \sigma_{\Delta^{++}\Delta^0}$$

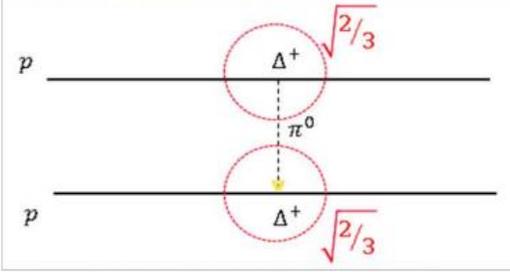
$$3) pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^- \Leftrightarrow pp \rightarrow \Delta^{++}(p\pi^+)\Delta^0(p\pi^-).$$

$$\sigma_{\pi^+\pi^-} = 1 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \sigma_{\Delta^{++}\Delta^0}$$

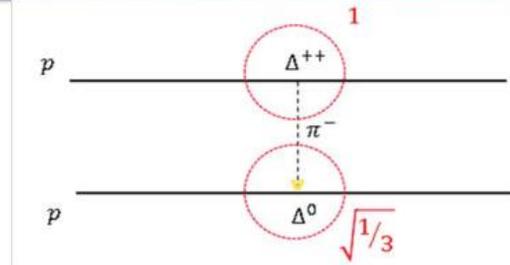
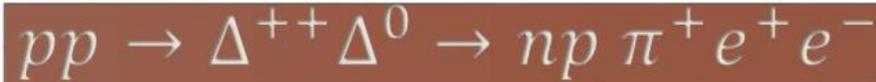
$$4) pp \rightarrow nn\pi^+\pi^+ \Leftrightarrow pp \rightarrow \Delta^+(n\pi^+)\Delta^+(n\pi^+).$$

$$\sigma_{\pi^+\pi^+} = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \sigma_{\Delta^+\Delta^+}$$

CROSS SECTIONS



$$\sigma_{\Delta^+ \Delta^+} = \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^2 \times \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^2 \times \frac{\sigma_{tot}}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^2 \times \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^2 + 1^2 \times \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^2} \sim \frac{4}{7} \sigma_{tot}$$



$$\sigma_{\Delta^{++} \Delta^0} = 1^2 \times \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^2 \times \frac{\sigma_{tot}}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^2 \times \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^2 + 1^2 \times \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^2} \sim \frac{3}{7} \sigma_{tot}$$

$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow NN\pi\pi} = \sigma_{\pi^0 \pi^0} + \sigma_{\pi^0 \pi^+} + \sigma_{\pi^+ \pi^-} + \sigma_{\pi^+ \pi^+} \approx 14 mb$

$\sigma_{\Delta^+ \Delta^+} = \frac{4}{7} \sigma_{\Delta\Delta} \text{ \& } \sigma_{\Delta^{++} \Delta^0} = \frac{3}{7} \sigma_{\Delta\Delta}$

$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow NN\pi\pi} = \sigma_{\Delta\Delta}$

Effective $\Delta\Delta$ cross section.

$\sigma_{\pi^0 \pi^0} = \sigma_{\pi^0 \pi^0} + \sigma_{\pi^0 \pi^+} = \frac{50}{63} \sigma_{pp \rightarrow NN\pi\pi} \approx 11 mb.$

BARYON CROSS SECTIONS

$$\sigma_{inel} = \sigma_{\Delta} + \sigma_{\Delta^*} + \sigma_{N^*} + \sigma_{\Delta\Delta} + \sigma_{\Delta\Delta^*}$$

Effective N(1520) cross section

$$\sigma_{N^*} = 5 \text{ mb.}$$

$$\sigma_{\Delta} = 7,5 \text{ mb.}$$

$$\sigma_{N\Delta^*} = 4 \text{ mb.}$$

$$\sigma_{\Delta\Delta} = 4,3 \text{ mb.}$$

$$\sigma_{\Delta\Delta^*} = 4 \text{ mb.}$$

Effective $\Delta(1232)$ cross section

$$\sigma_{\Delta} = \sigma_{\Delta} + \sigma_{\Delta^*} = 11,5 \text{ mb}$$

Effective $\Delta(1232)\Delta(1232)$ cross section

$$\sigma_{\Delta\Delta} = \sigma_{\Delta\Delta} + \sigma_{\Delta\Delta^*} = 8,3 \text{ mb}$$

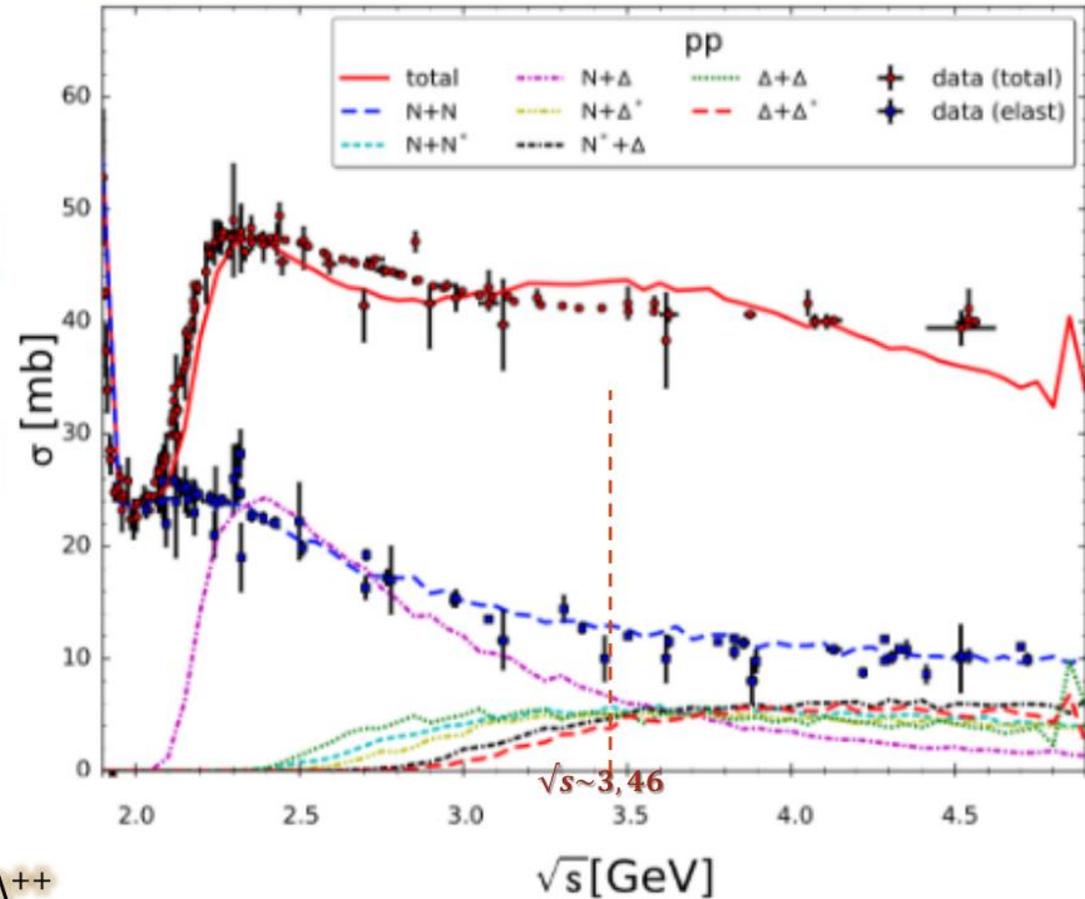
- New inputs for PLUTO.
- Add the double delta production to the cocktail.
- Simulated as $\Delta^+(pe^+e^-\Delta^+$ with :

$$BR = BR_{\Delta \rightarrow Ne^+e^-} \times \left(\frac{4}{7} \times 2 + \frac{3}{7} \right)$$

$$4,2 \times 10^{-5}$$



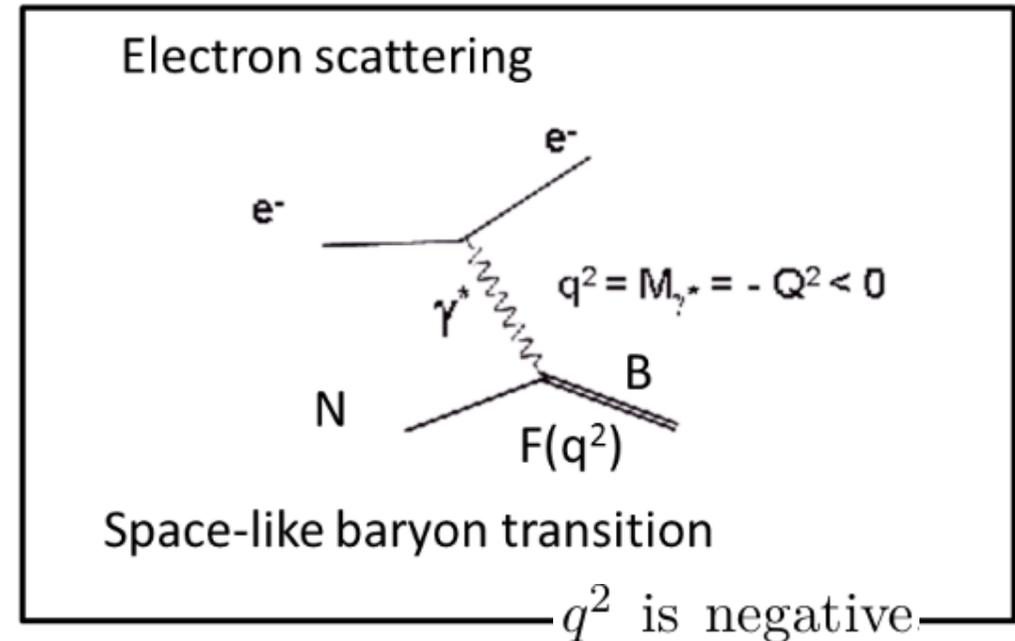
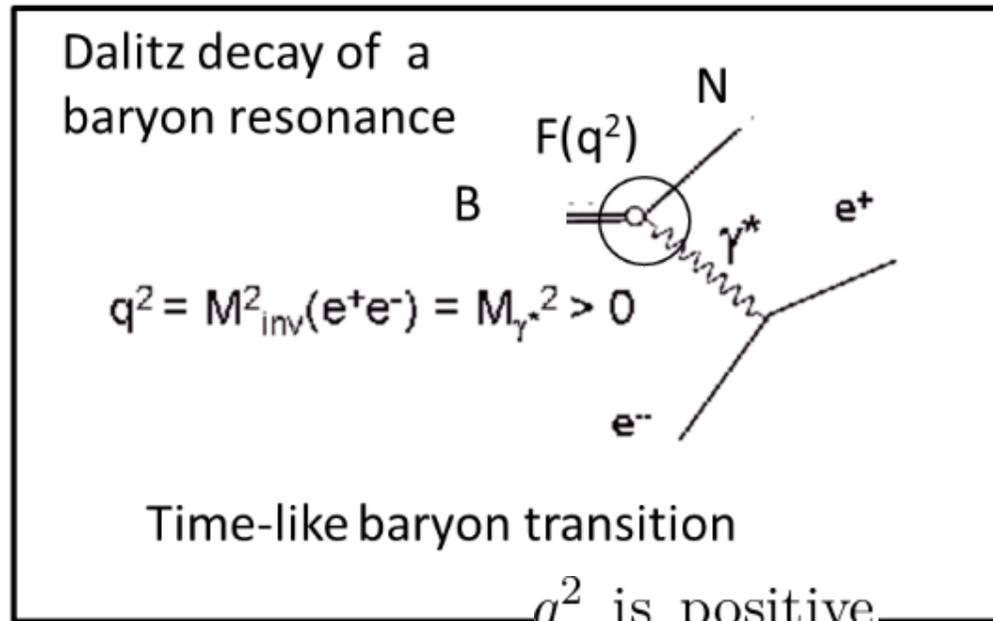
SMASH



$$q = p_N - p_B$$

$$M_\gamma^2 = q^2 = (W_B - W_N)^2 - (\vec{p}_B - \vec{p}_N)^2$$

q^2 is just limited by the energy of the incident electron.



$$q_{max}^2 = (M_B - M_N)^2$$