

## On the disputed $\pi_1$ (1600) resonance



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### Outline:

#### Introduction

- Spin-exotic mesons some history
- COMPASS experiment & PWA method

#### • Results on the diffractive $3\pi$ production

- >  $3\pi$  final states neutral vs. charged mode
- PWA results on main & small waves
- Summary & outlook



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#### E852-IU re-analysis:

- higher statistics: 3M & 2.6M (neutral & charged)
- extended wave-set (35 waves) => 1<sup>-+</sup>object vanished



[A.R. Dzierba et al., E852-IU, PRD 73, 072001 (2006)]

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## The COMPASS Experiment at CERN









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#### => confirmation of a 1<sup>-+</sup> resonance at 1.66 GeV [PRL 104 (2010) 241803]

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#### Step 1) Mass independent PWA (loglikelihood fit)

#### **Step 2) Mass dependent** $\chi^2$ **fit:** (to mass independent result)

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# Diffractive dissociation into 3π final states (2008 data, proton target)



search for  $\pi_1(1600)$ 



PWA: ~ 1M events

PWA: ~ 24M events



## **PWA** using isobar model





#### Partial wave analysis:

- Program: Illinois/Protvino/Munich (D.Ryabchikov) software (IHEP/VES, TUM/COMPASS)
- Isobars:  $(\pi\pi)_{S}$  [broad  $f_{0}(600) + f_{0}(1370)$ ],  $f_{0}(980)$ ,  $\rho(770)$ ,  $f_{2}(1270)$ ,  $\rho_{3}(1690)$
- Acceptance: corrections included (via normalisation integrals)

#### Step 1) Mass independent PWA: (40MeV/c<sup>2</sup> bins, 53 partial waves)

= following results

**Step 2) Mass dependent c<sup>2</sup> fit:** (to mass independent result)

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- Coherent background for some waves



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Comparison with VES data removed on request of VES

## Extended PWA method -- recent finding: a<sub>1</sub>(1420) <sup>JC</sup>



Meanwhile new, extended PWA method applied: Mass bins & ranges in t` => Separation of non-resonant and resonant (Pomeron) production

 $\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- p$ , full 2008 data: Wave-set extended to 88 partial-waves, 100 bins in  $3\pi$  mass & 11 slices of t`



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## **Summary & outlook**



#### • COMPASS: high potential for search for exotic and new states

- ✓ Very high statistics of 2008/09 hadron run data
   → allows and demands for improved PWA method
- COMPASS measures Neutral & Charged channels
   Independent confirmation of new states within same experiment
- Present results basically consistent with published 2004 data result
   All relevant channels for spin-exotic search feasible
- Further interesting, exotic objects, especially huge charged mode data
   → new axial vector state

#### Outlook:

- More systematic studies, PWA model, Mass-dependent PWA under way
  - $\rightarrow$  Full 2008 stats, also improved data production (done, not yet released),
  - → PWA in mass and t' bins (done, not yet released for neutral)
  - → New mass-dependent BW fit: Simultaneously for different t' (done, not yet released)
- New  $(\pi\pi)_s$  wave approach (extracted from data) to be applied also for neutral mode
- Further extended wave-set (88 waves, driven by charged) to be applied for neutral mode => more work ahead, before final COMPASS conclusions on  $\pi_1(1600)$