Measurement of the Charged-Pion Polarisability at COMPASS

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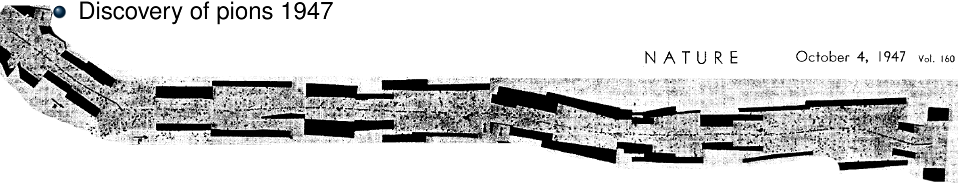

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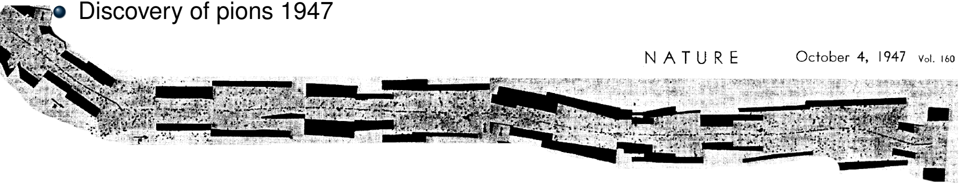

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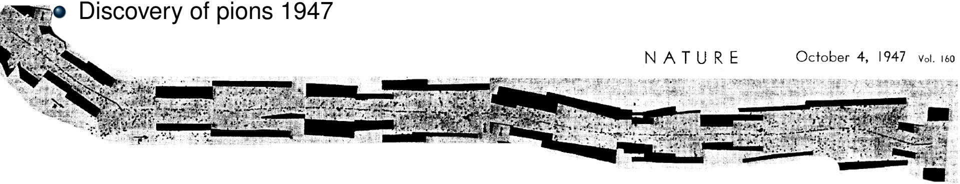

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latest pubished data on the pion polarisability

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The COMPASS collaboration at CERN has investigated pion Compton scattering, $\pi^-\gamma \to \pi^-\gamma$, at center-of-mass energy below 3.5 pion masses. The process is embedded in the reaction $\pi^-\text{Ni} \to \pi^-\gamma\text{Ni}$, which is initiated by 190 GeV pions impinging on a nickel target. The exchange of quasireal photons is selected by isolating the sharp Coulomb peak observed at smallest momentum transfers, $Q^2 < 0.0015\ (\text{GeV}/c)^2$. From a sample of 63 000 events, the pion electric polarizability is determined to be $\alpha_\pi = (2.0 \pm 0.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.7_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}\ \text{fm}^3$ under the assumption $\alpha_\pi = -\beta_\pi$, which relates the electric and magnetic dipole polarizabilities. It is the most precise measurement of this fundamental low-energy parameter of strong

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L'interazione forte dei quark ha meno segreti
L'esperimento COMPASS al CERN fornisce una misura chiave dell'interazione forte.
Lo spettrometro dell'esperimento COMPASS. È lungo 60 metri e la suo interno vengono sparati raggi di particelle subatomiche ad alta intensità.

Neue Zürcher Zeitung
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Pionen-Experiment am Cern
Da schwabbelt nichts
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rtz. Wieder hat ein Experiment die theoretischen Vorhersagen des Standardmodells der Teilchenphysik bestätigt. Diesmal massen die Forschenden die Verformbarkeit sogenannter Pionen. Diese gibt Aufschluss darüber, wie stark die Bindungskraft zwischen den Elementarteilchen im Inneren von Atomkernen ist.

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Le pion se déforme moins que prévu
C'est la confirmation d'une donnée de physique fondamentale que fournie l'expérience COMPASS menée au CERN sur une mesure rel à l'interaction forte, la force qui lie quarks, neutrons et protons.

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Une expérience du CERN affine une mesure essentielle pour décrire l'interaction forte
L'expérience COMPASS du CERN, impliquant le CEA et des partenaires internationaux, rapporte une concernant l'interaction forte. Celle-ci lie ensemble les composants des noyaux atomiques (quarks dans les nucléons dans le noyau). Les résultats, concernant une propriété du plus léger des mésons - le pion, dans la revue Physics Review Letters, sont en parfait accord avec la théorie des perturbations chirales années 80.

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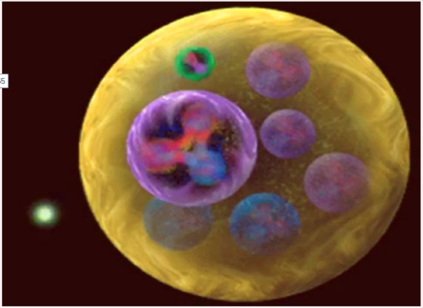

An electron (green) hits a proton in a nucleus, creating a pion (green-skinned particle) and transforming the proton into a neutron. Image credit: Joanna Griffin / Jefferson Lab.

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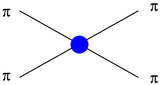
complicated system of interacting quarks and gluons $\xrightarrow{\text{ChPT}}$ effective degrees of freedom at low energy: mass, charge, spin, effective (self-)coupling



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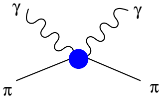
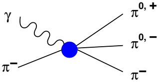


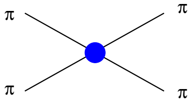
π—photon



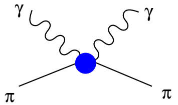
$\pi - \pi$—photon

Chiral Perturbation Theory vs. Experiment

- pion scattering lengths: 2-loop predictions
  - $a_0^0 m_\pi = 0.220 \pm 0.005$ confirmed by E865 in $K^+ \to \pi^+\pi^- e^+\nu_e$
  - $(a_0^0 - a_0^2) m_\pi = 0.264 \pm 0.006$ confirmed by NA48 in 0.268 ± 0.010 $K^+ \to \pi^+\pi^0\pi^0$



- pion polarisability: electric α_π, magnetic β_π
  - leading structure-dependent contribution to Compton scattering
  - ChPT prediction obtained by the relation to $\pi^+ \to e^+\nu_e\gamma$ [Gasser, Ivanov, Sainio, Nucl. Phys. B745, 2006] [PIBETA, M. Bychkov et al., PRL 103, 051802, 2009]



- ChPT prediction contradicts the experimental findings (prior to this analysis)

More pion-photon reactions

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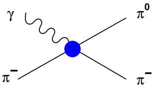
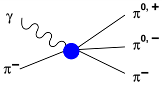
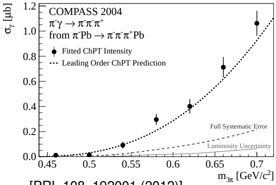
- Pion scattering including a real photon
  - Leading-order prediction from ChPT pion scattering lengths + coupled photon
  - chiral loop contribution theory prediction available
- Radiative widths of meson resonances
- Chiral anomaly $F_{3\pi}$
  - established on 10% level
  - further development: inclusion of the ρ resonance, theoretical work by Kubis, Hoferichter, Sakkas PRD86(2012)116009







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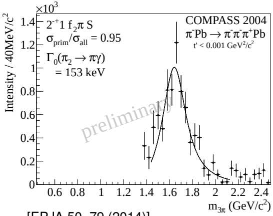

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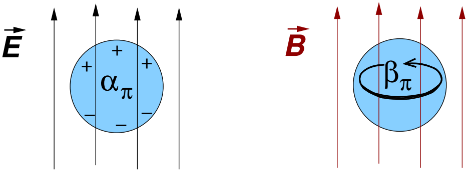
ChPT prediction for the pion polarisability



pion polarisabilities α_π, β_π in units of 10^{-4} fm^3

ChPT (2-loop) prediction:

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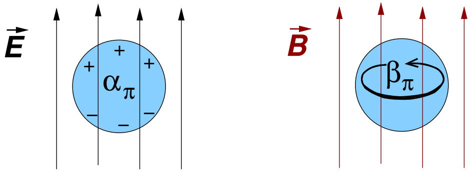

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ChPT (2-loop) prediction:

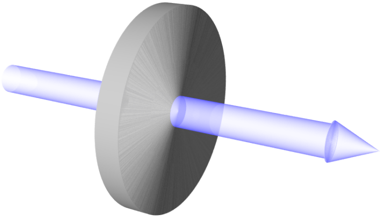
$$\alpha_\pi = 2.93 \pm 0.5$$
$$\beta_\pi = -2.77 \pm 0.5$$

experiments for α_π lie in the range $2 \cdots 7$

($\alpha_\pi + \beta_\pi = 0$ assumed)

Principle of the COMPASS measurement

- high-energetic pion beam on 4mm nickel disk
- observe scattered pions in coincidence with produced hard photons
- study of cross-section shape



Polarisability effect in Primakoff technique

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- Charged pions traverse the nuclear electric field
  - typical field strength at $d = 5R_{Ni}$: $E \approx 300\,\text{kV/fm}$
- Bremsstrahlung process:
  - particles scatter off *equivalent photons*
  - tiny momentum transfer $Q^2 \approx 10^{-5}\,\text{GeV}^2/c^2$
  - pion/muon (quasi-)real Compton scattering
- Polarisability contribution
  - Compton cross-section typically diminished
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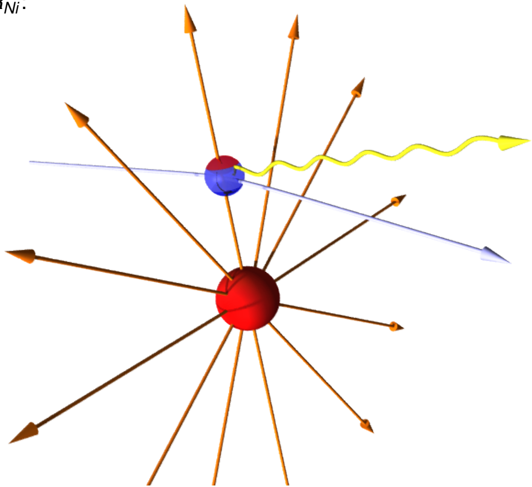

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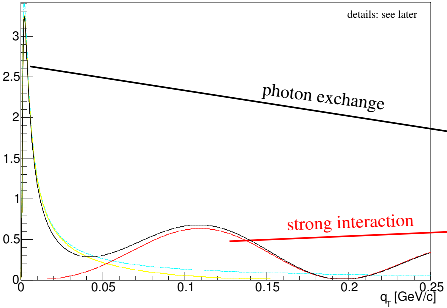

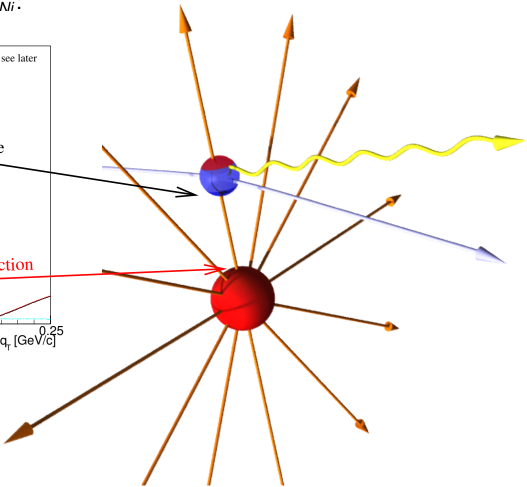

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Pion Compton Scattering

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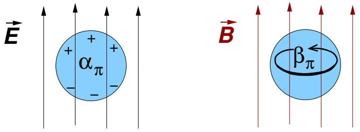

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Pion Compton scattering: embedding the process

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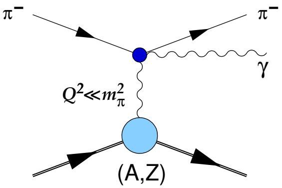

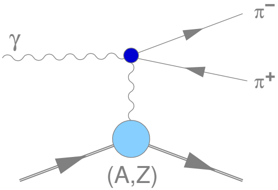

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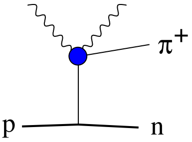

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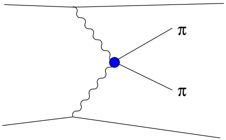
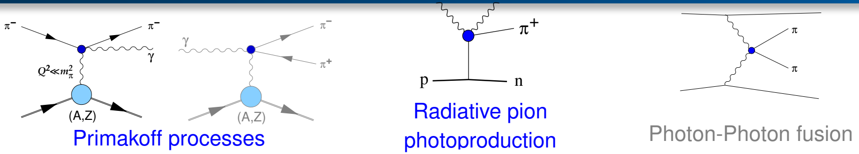
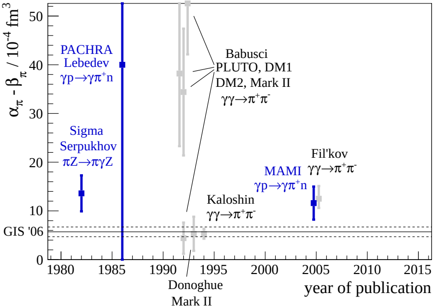
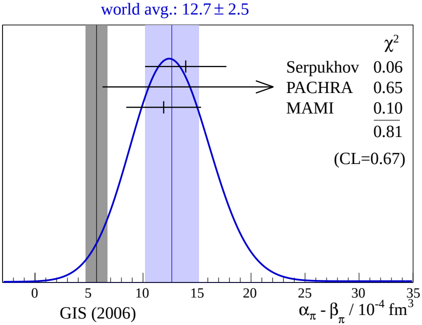


Photon-Photon fusion

Pion polarisability: world data before COMPASS







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Fil'kov analysis objected by Pasquini, Drechsel, Scherer PRC81, 029802 (2010)

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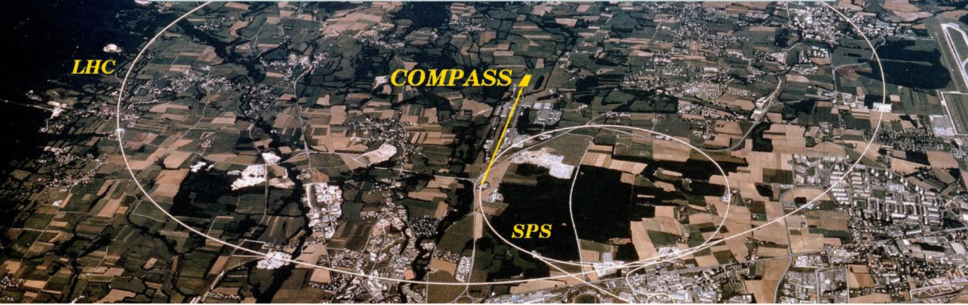
CERN SPS: protons ~ 400 GeV (5 – 10 sec spills)

- secondary $\pi, K, \overset{(-)}{p}$: up to $2{\cdot}10^7$/s (typ. $5{\cdot}10^6$/s)
  Nov. 2004, 2008-09, 2012:
  hadron spec. & Primakoff reactions
- tertiary muons: $4{\cdot}10^7$ / s
  2002-04, 2006-07, 2010-11: spin structure of the nucleon



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- two-stage magnetic spectrometer
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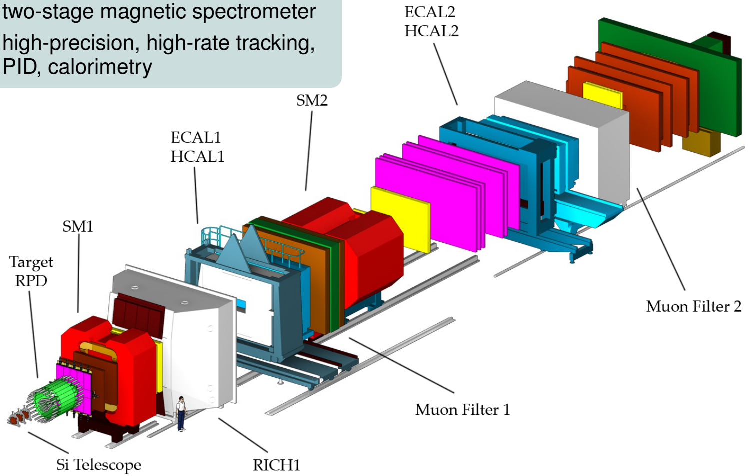

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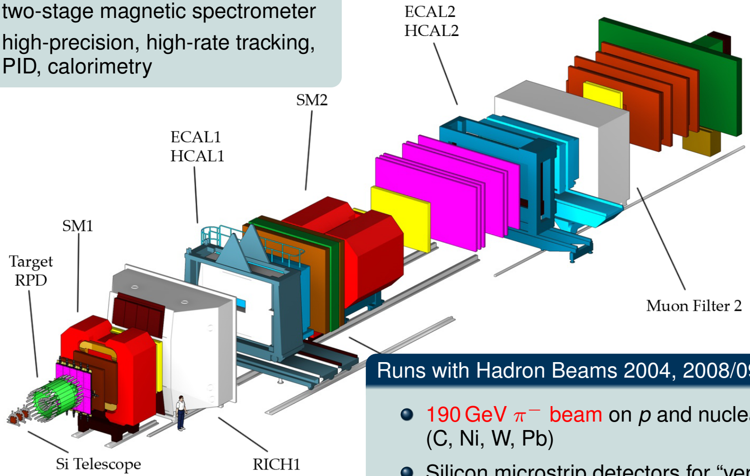
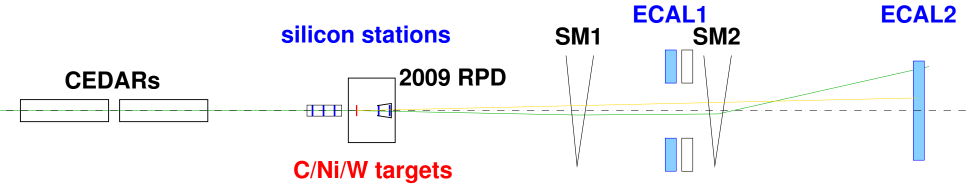


Runs with Hadron Beams 2004, 2008/09, 2012

- 190 GeV π^- beam on p and nuclear targets (C, Ni, W, Pb)
- Silicon microstrip detectors for “vertexing”
- recoil and (digital) ECAL triggers

Principle of the measurement



Silicon detector module

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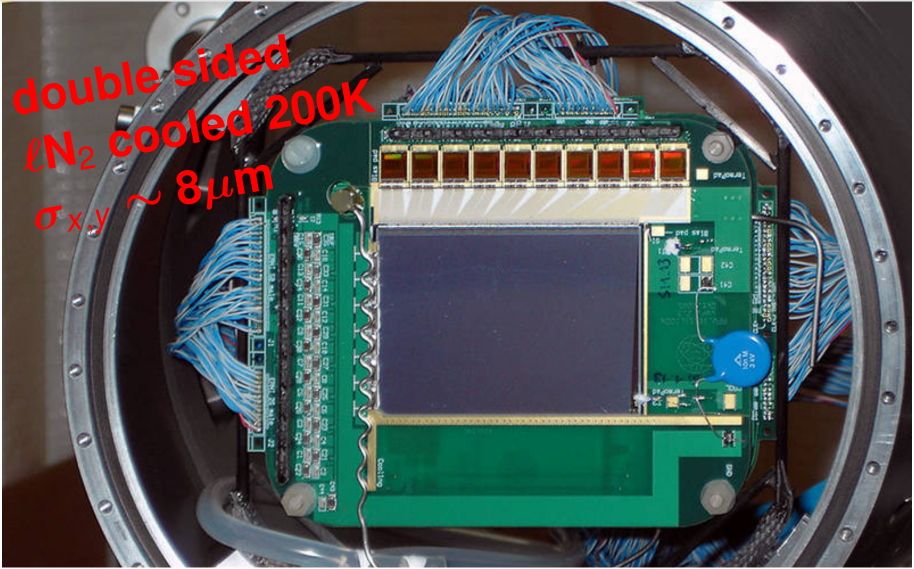

Silicon cryostat in the recoil detector

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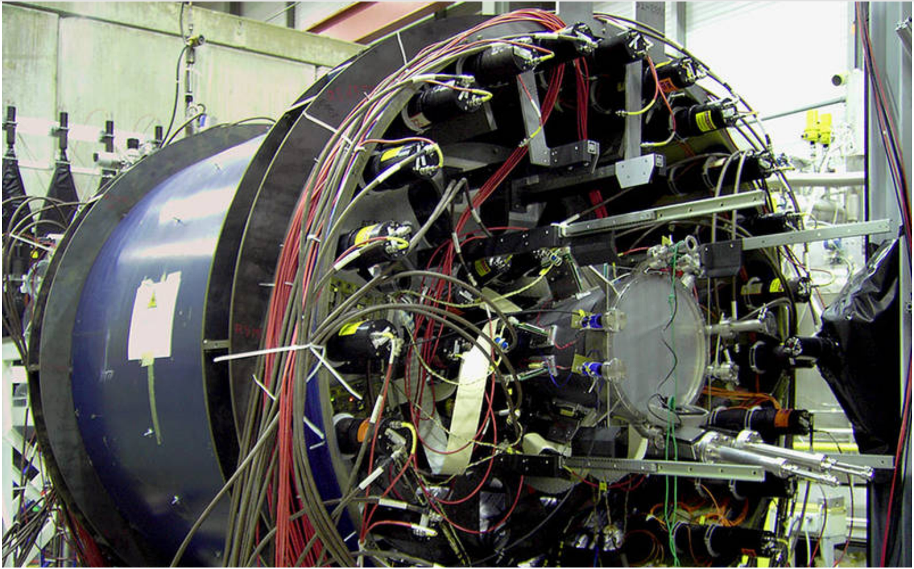

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Identifying the $\pi\gamma \to \pi\gamma$ reaction

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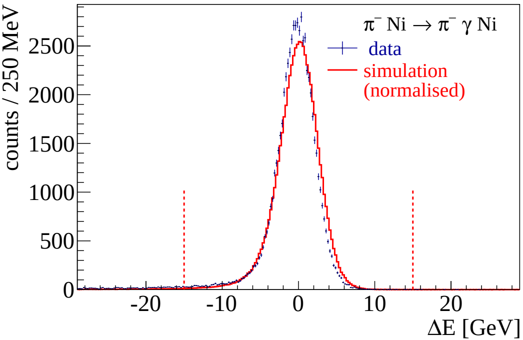

- Energy balance $\Delta E = E_\pi + E_\gamma - E_{\text{Beam}}$
- Exclusivity peak $\sigma \approx$ 2.6 GeV (1.4%)
- $\sim$ 63.000 exclusive events ($x_\gamma > 0.4$) (Serpukhov $\sim$ 7000 for $x_\gamma > 0.5$)

Primakoff peak

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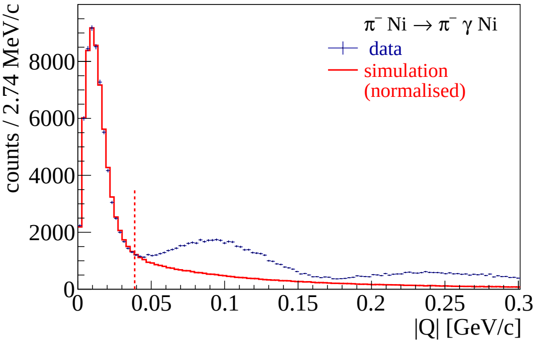
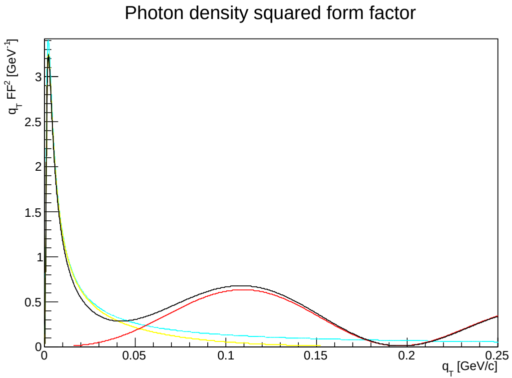


- $\Delta Q_T \approx$ 12 MeV/c (190 GeV/c beam $\rightarrow$ requires few-μrad angular resolution)
- first diffractive minimum on Ni nucleus at $Q \approx 190\ \mathrm{MeV}/c$
- data a little more narrow than simulation $\rightarrow$ negative interference?

Coulomb-nuclear interference



- calculation following G. Fäldt (Phys. Rev. C79, 014607)
- eikonal approximation: pions traverse Coulomb and strong-interaction potentials

Primakoff peak: muon data

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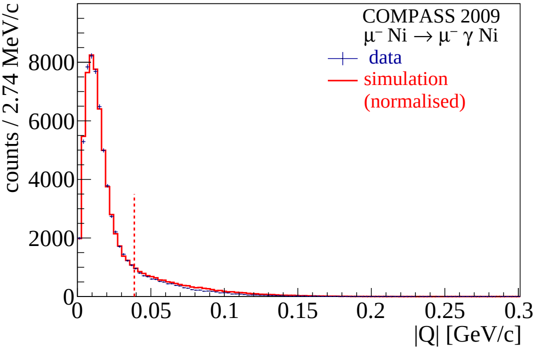
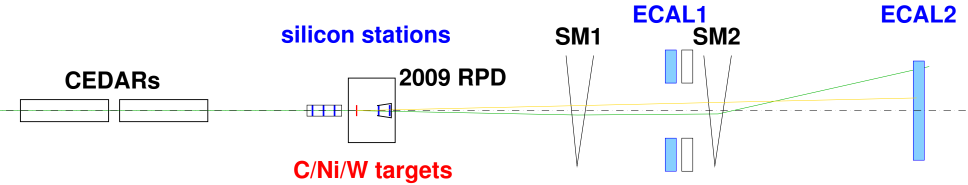


- muon control measurement: pure electromagnetic interaction
- e.m. nuclear effects well understood

Principle of the measurement



ECAL2: 3000 cells of different types

ECAL2: the quest for precision

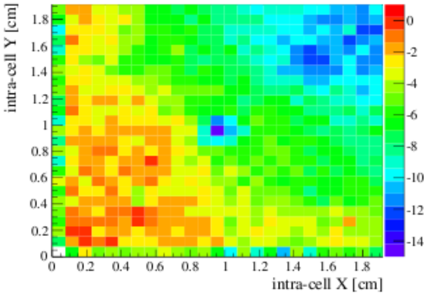


Figure 3.5: Profile of energy deviations shown for 1/4 of a shashlik block and for muon data photons within the range 133 GeV $< E_\gamma <$ 152 GeV .

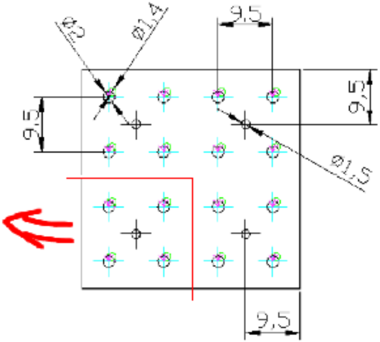


Figure 3.6: Technical drawing of a full shashlik cell to be compared with the figure to the left.

from: Th. Nagel, PhD thesis TUM 2012

Photon energy spectra for muon and pion beam

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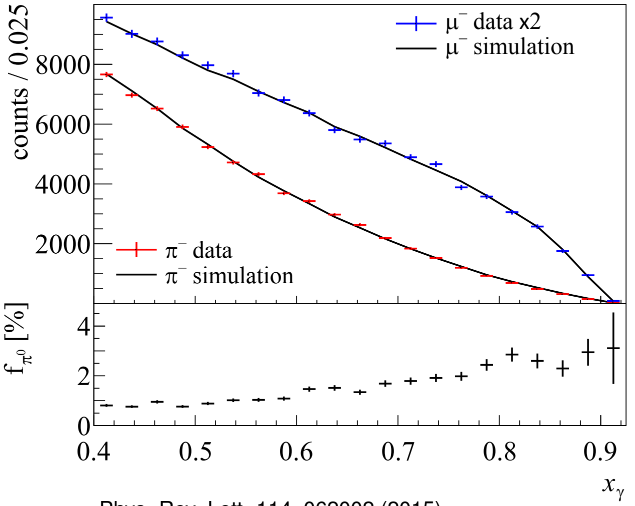

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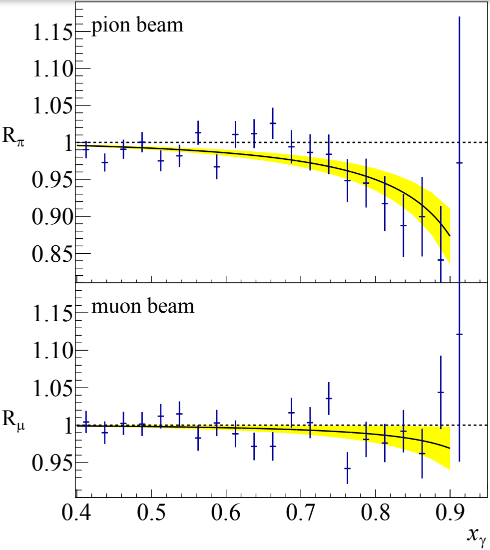
Pion polarisability: COMPASS result



$\boldsymbol{\alpha_\pi} = (\,2.0 \pm 0.6_{\rm stat}\,) \times 10^{-4}\,\mathrm{fm}^3$

(assuming $\alpha_\pi = -\beta_\pi$)

"false polarisability" from muon data:

$(\,0.5 \pm 0.5_{\rm stat}\,) \times 10^{-4}\,\mathrm{fm}^3$

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Radiative corrections (Compton scattering part)

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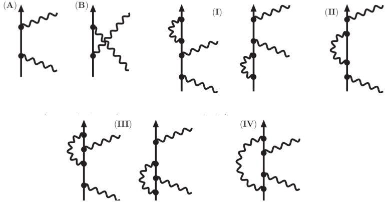

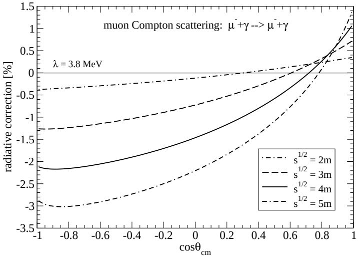

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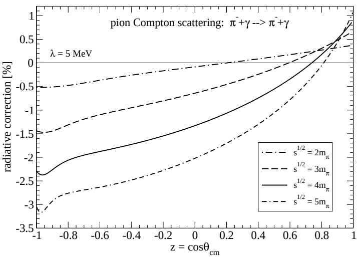

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tracking	0.5
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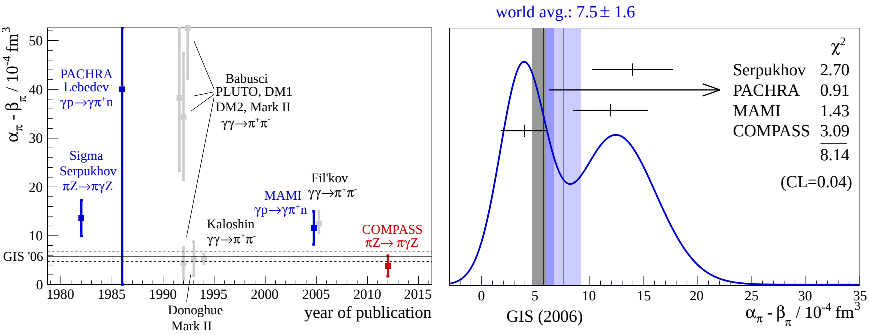
COMPASS result for the pion polarisability:

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha_\pi = (\,2.0 \pm 0.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.7_{\text{syst}}\,) \times 10^{-4}\,\text{fm}^3}$$

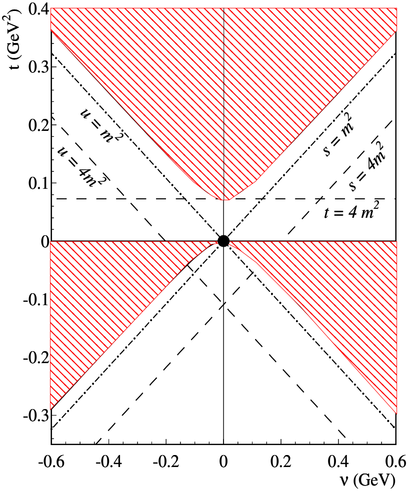
with $\alpha_\pi = -\beta_\pi$ assumed

Pion polarisability: world data including COMPASS



- The new COMPASS result is in significant tension with the earlier measurements of the pion polarisability
- The expectation from ChPT is confirmed within the uncertainties

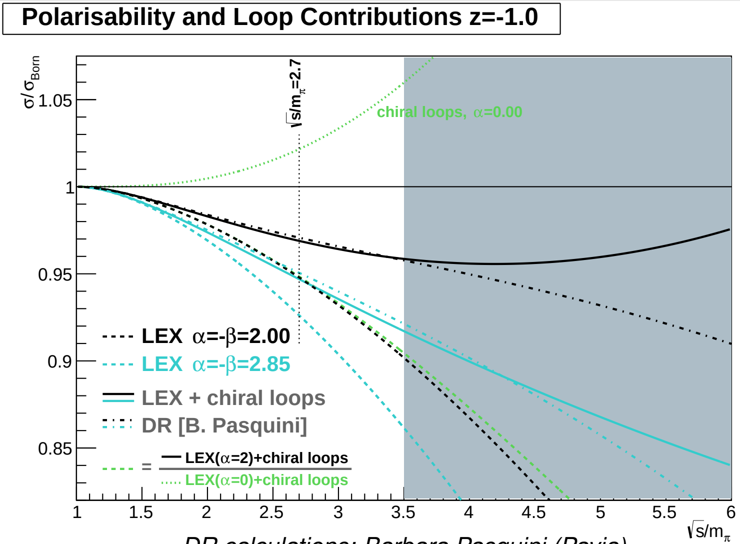
About crossing



- red hatched: physical regions $\gamma + \gamma \rightarrow \pi + \pi$ $\gamma + \pi \rightarrow \gamma + \pi$
- two-pion thresholds at $s = 4m_\pi^2$, $u = 4m_\pi^2$, $t = 4m_\pi^2$
- DR integration paths $t = 0$ (forward), $\theta = 180°$ (backward) $u = m_\pi^2$, $s = m_\pi^2$, ...

from: D. Drechsel, talk at IWHSS 2011 Paris

Dispersion relations and ChPT



DR calculations: Barbara Pasquini (Pavia)

Pion polarisability on the lattice

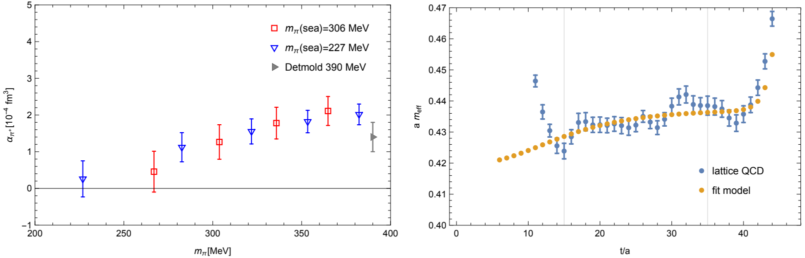
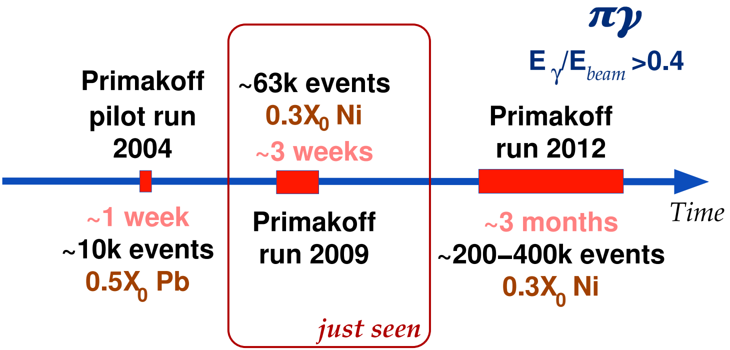


FIGURE 3. Left: electric polarizability for the charged pions as a function of the valence quark mass. The data for $m_\pi = 390\,\mathrm{MeV}$ is taken from [5]. Right: effective mass for a charged pion correlator together with the scalar particle correlator determined from the fit. The fitting range is indicated by the vertical bars.

Alexandru *et al.*, Pion electric polarizability from lattice QCD, arXiv:1501.06516

Pion polarisability measurements at COMPASS



Summary and Outlook

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- Measurement of the pion polarisability at COMPASS
  - Via the Primakoff reaction, COMPASS has determined

$$\boxed{\alpha_\pi = (\,2.0 \pm 0.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.7_{\text{syst}}\,) \times 10^{-4}\,\text{fm}^3} \quad \text{assuming } \alpha_\pi + \beta_\pi = 0$$

  - most direct access to the $\pi\gamma \to \pi\gamma$ process
  - Most precise experimental determination
  - Systematic control: $\mu\gamma \to \mu\gamma,\; K^- \to \pi^-\pi^0$
- (not shown today:) COMPASS measures other aspectes of chiral dynamics in $\pi^-\gamma \to \pi^-\pi^0$ and $\pi\gamma \to \pi\pi\pi$ reactions
- High-statistics run 2012
  - separate determination of α_π and β_π
  - $s-$dependent quadrupole polarisabilities
  - First measurement of the kaon polarisability

Thank you for your attention!

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Backup

Primakoff reactions accessible at COMPASS

Access to $\pi + \gamma$ reactions via the Primakoff effect:

At smallest momentum transfers to the nucleus, high-energetic particles scatter predominantly off the electromagnetic field quanta ($\sim Z^2$)

$$\pi^- + \gamma \rightarrow \begin{cases} \pi^- + \gamma \\ \pi^- + \pi^0 \;/\; \eta \\ \pi^- + \pi^0 + \pi^0 \\ \pi^- + \pi^- + \pi^+ \qquad \Longleftarrow \\ \pi^- + \pi^- + \pi^+ + \pi^- + \pi^+ \\ \pi^- + \ldots \end{cases}$$

analogously: Kaon-induced reactions $K^- + \gamma \rightarrow \cdots$

2004 Primakoff results

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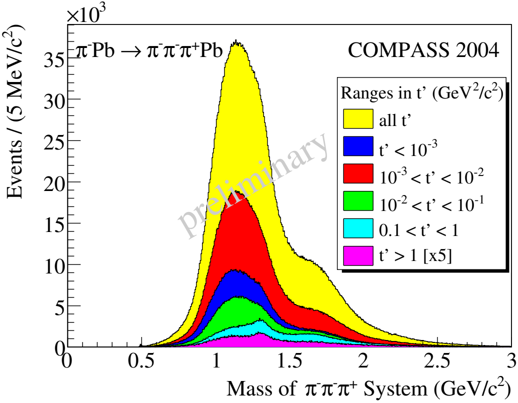
$$\pi^- \, \text{Pb} \to \text{Pb} \, \pi^- \, \pi^- \, \pi^+$$



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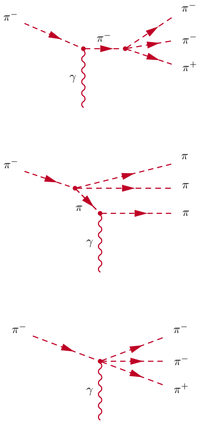
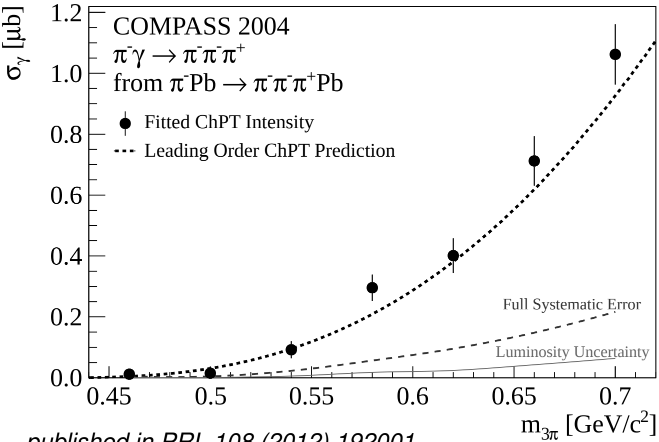
First Measurement of $\pi\gamma \to 3\pi$ Absolute Cross-Section



Measured absolute cross-section of $\pi^-\gamma \to \pi^-\pi^-\pi^+$



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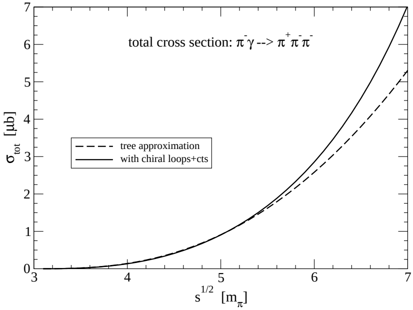
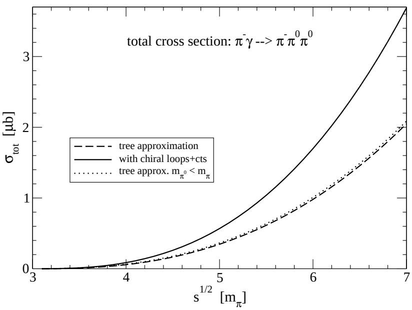
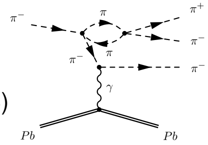
Higher-order effects

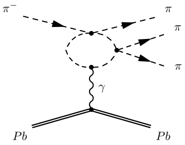




Chiral loops, e.g.

(N. Kaiser, NPA848 (2010) 198)





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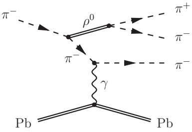

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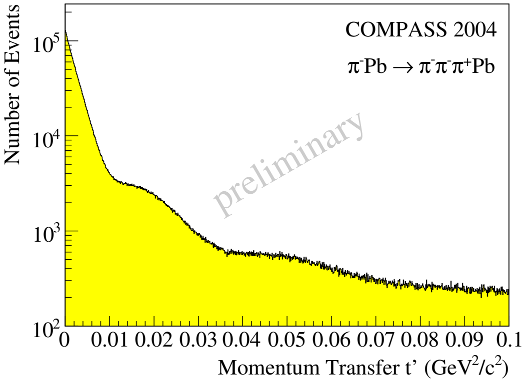
$$\pi^- \text{ Pb} \to \text{Pb } \pi^- \pi^- \pi^+$$



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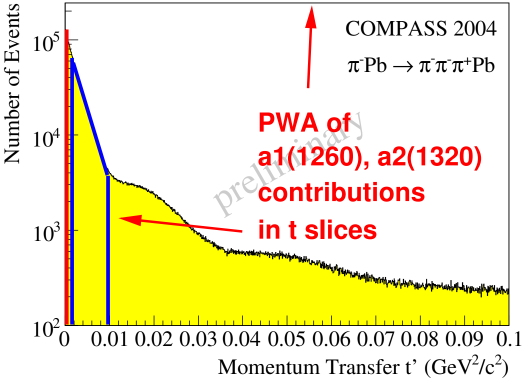
π^- Pb $\rightarrow$ Pb $\pi^- \pi^- \pi^+$



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PWA: a_1, a_2 and $\Delta\Phi$ in separated t' regions

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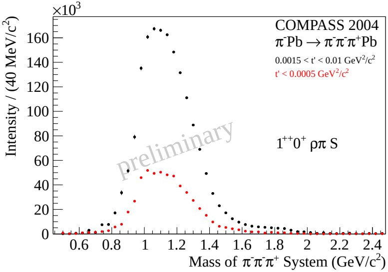

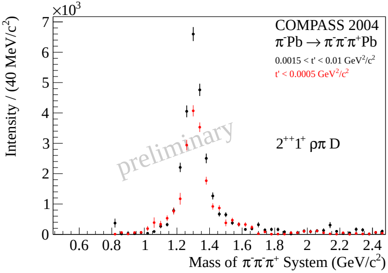

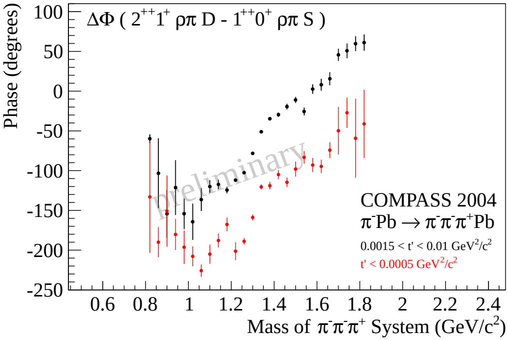

Radiative Coupling of $a_2(1320)$ and $\pi_2(1670)$

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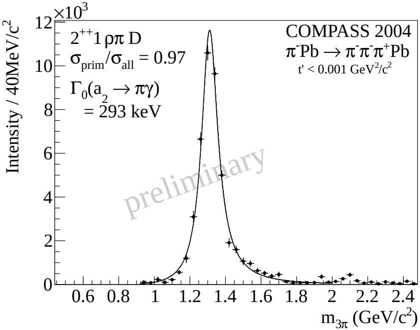

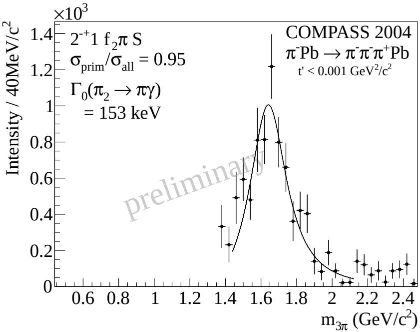

$\Gamma_0(a_2(1320) \to \pi\gamma)$ *M2* $\qquad$ $\Gamma_0(\pi_2(1670) \to \pi\gamma)$ *E2*

$\Leftrightarrow$ meson w.f.'s: $\Gamma_{i\to f} \propto |\langle\Psi_f|\, e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}}\, \hat{\epsilon}\cdot\vec{p}\,|\Psi_i\rangle|^2$, VMD

- normalization via beam kaon decays
- large Coulomb correction

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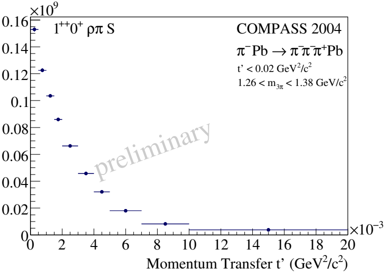
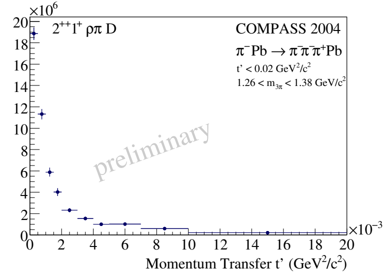
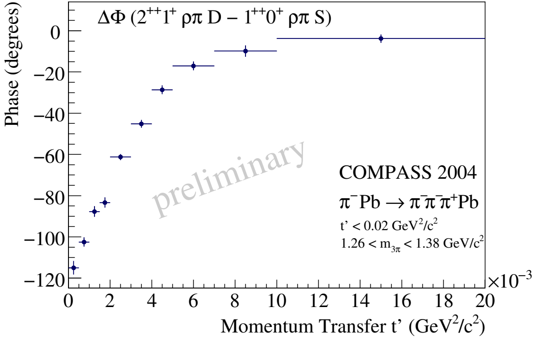
Phase $a_2 - a_1$ in detail: t' dependence







- transition of $\pi\gamma$ to $\pi I\!P \to a_2$ production
- work in progress
- interference can be used to map details of resonances and production mechanisms

Photon-photon fusion process $\gamma\gamma \to \pi^+\pi^-$

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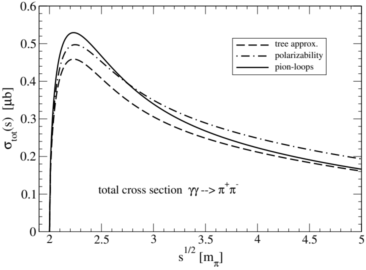
- Planned measurements at ALICE and JLab

$$\sigma_{tot}(s) = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{\hat{s}^3 m_\pi^2}\Big\{\big[4+\hat{s}+\hat{s}|C(\hat{s})|^2\big]\sqrt{\hat{s}(\hat{s}-4)} + 8\big[2-\hat{s}+\hat{s}\,\mathrm{Re}\,C(\hat{s})\big]\ln\frac{\sqrt{\hat{s}}+\sqrt{\hat{s}-4}}{2}\Big\},$$

$$C(\hat{s}) = -\beta_\pi\frac{m_\pi^3}{2\alpha}\hat{s} - \frac{m_\pi^2}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2}\Big\{\frac{\hat{s}}{2}+2\Big[\ln\frac{\sqrt{\hat{s}}+\sqrt{\hat{s}-4}}{2}-\frac{i\pi}{2}\Big]^2\Big\}$$



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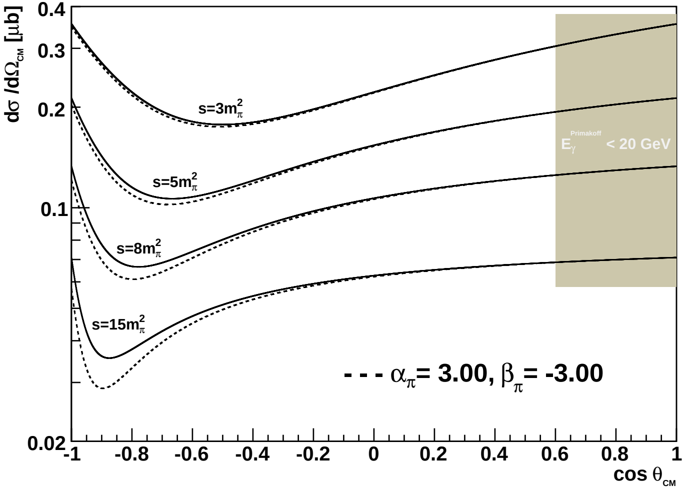
Polarisability effect (LO ChPT values)

loop effects not shown



Polarisability effect (NLO ChPT values)

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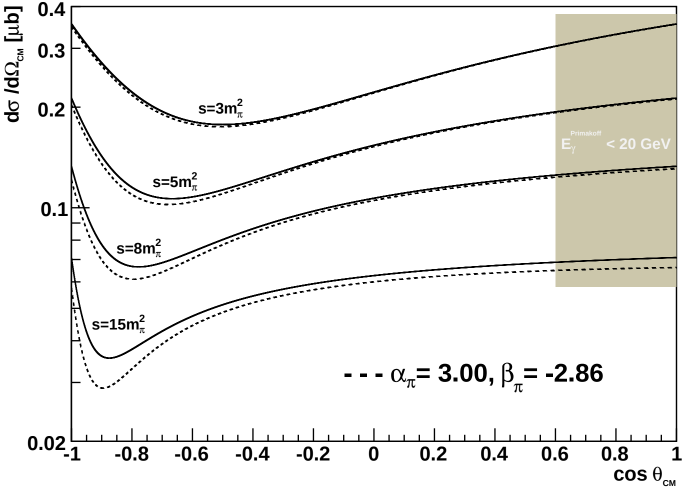

Polarisability effect (wrong sign $\alpha_\pi + \beta_\pi$)

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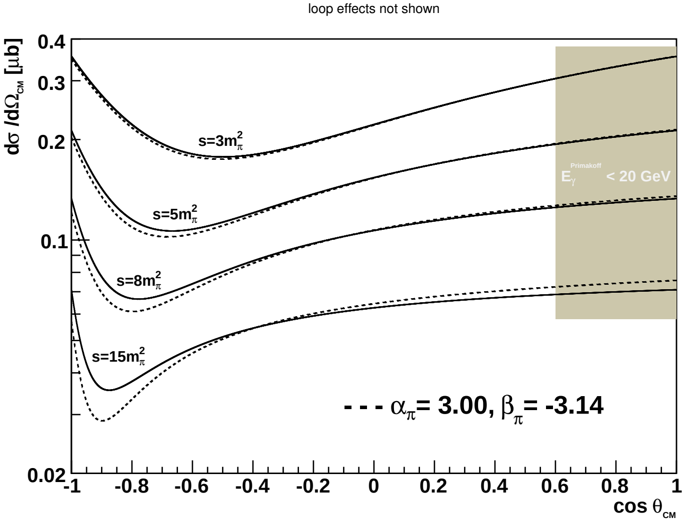

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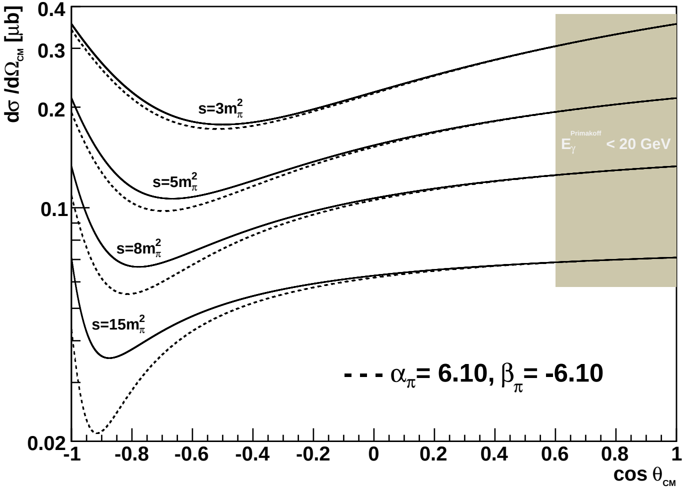


Pion Polarisability: Experimental Techniques

- Radiative π^+ production on the proton:

$$\gamma\,\pi^{*} \longrightarrow \pi\,\gamma \qquad [\text{via } \gamma\, p \to n\,\pi^+\,\gamma]$$

Mainz (2005) measurement: $\alpha_\pi - \beta_\pi = 11.6 \pm 1.5 \pm 3.0 \pm 0.5$

"± 0.5": model error *only within the used ansatz*,

full systematics not under control

- Primakoff Compton reaction:

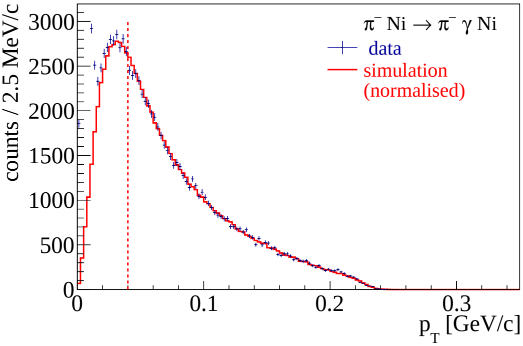
$$\gamma^{*}\,\pi \longrightarrow \pi\,\gamma \qquad [\text{via } \pi\, Z \to Z\,\pi\,\gamma]$$

tiny extrapolation $\gamma^* \to \gamma$ $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3} m_\pi^2)$

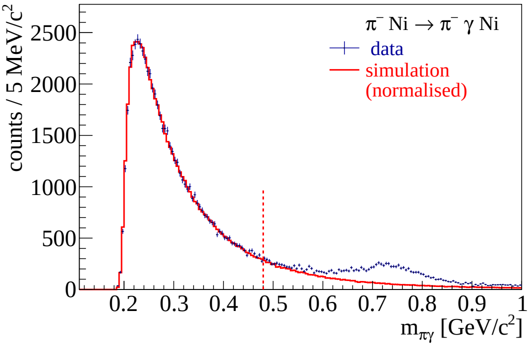
fully under theoretical control

[N. Kaiser, J.F., Nucl. Phys. A 812 (2008) 186]

Minimum transverse momentum of the charged particle

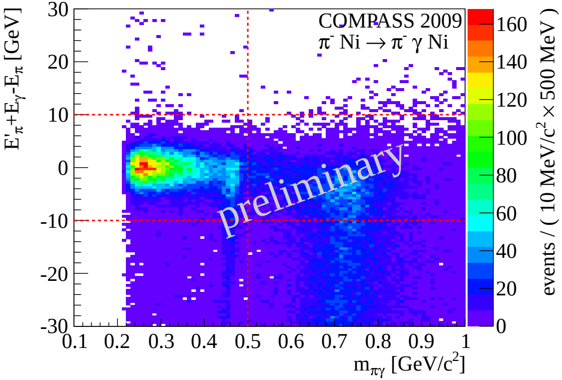


CM energy in $\pi\gamma \to \pi\gamma$



- ρ contribution from $\pi\gamma \to \pi\pi^0$

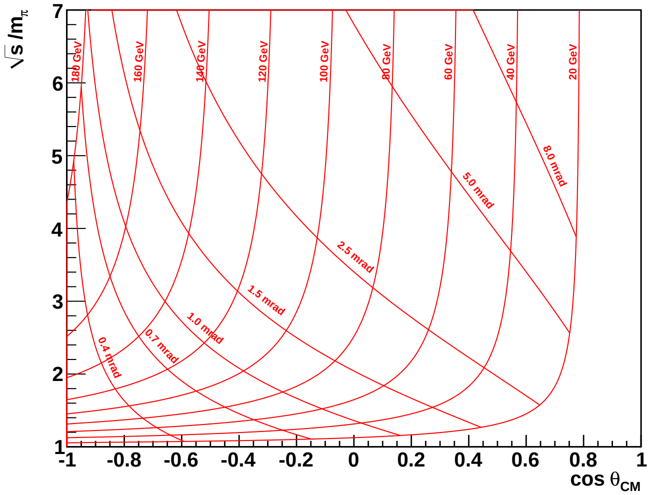
Exclusivity vs. $\sqrt{s}$



- ρ contribution from $\pi\gamma \to \pi\pi^0$

Mandelstam $\{s,t\} \leftrightarrow$ Laboratory $\{E_\gamma, \theta_\gamma\}$

for $\pi\gamma \to \pi\gamma$



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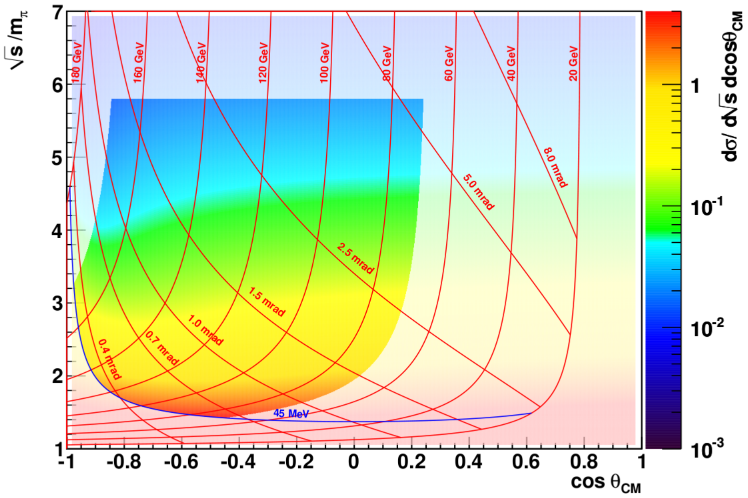

$\gamma\gamma \to \pi\pi$ and the pion polarisability

M.R. Pennington in the 2nd DAΦNE Physics Handbook,
“What we learn by measuring $\gamma\gamma \to \pi\pi$ at DAΦNE”:

> All this means that the only way to measure the pion polarisabilities is in the Compton scattering process near threshold and not in $\gamma\gamma \to \pi\pi$. Though the low energy $\gamma\gamma \to \pi\pi$ scattering is seemingly close to the Compton threshold (...) and so the *extrapolation* not very far, the dominance of the pion pole (...) means that the energy scale for this continuation is m_π. Thus the polarisabilities cannot be determined accurately from $\gamma\gamma$ experiments in a model-independent way and must be measured in the Compton scattering region.

Primakoff production of a1(1260) vs. E272 result

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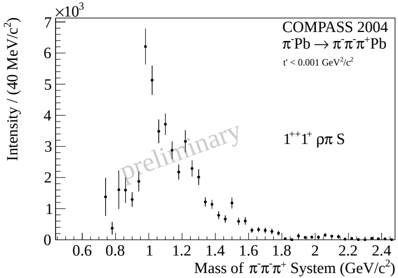
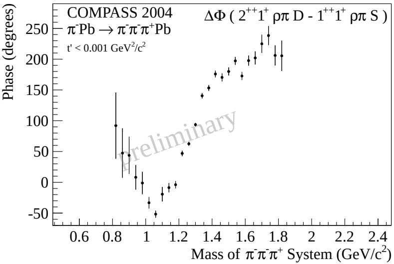
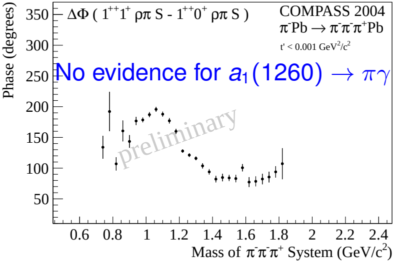
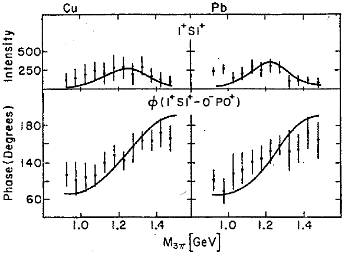






No evidence for $a_1(1260) \to \pi\gamma$



M. Zielinski et al, Phys. Rev. Lett 52 (1984) 1195

BACKUP: Partial Wave Analysis Formalism

- Mass-independent PWA (narrow mass bins):

$$\sigma_{\text{indep}}(\tau, m, t') = \sum_{\epsilon=\pm 1} \sum_{r=1}^{N_r} \left| \sum_i T_{ir}^{\epsilon} f_i^{\epsilon}(t') \psi_i^{\epsilon}(\tau, m) \Big/ \sqrt{\int |f_i^{\epsilon}(t')|^2 \mathrm{d}t'} \sqrt{\int |\psi_i^{\epsilon}(\tau', m)|^2 \mathrm{d}\tau'} \right|^2$$

  - Production strenght assumed constant in single bins
  - Decay amplitudes $\psi_i^{\epsilon}(\tau, m)$, with t' dependence $f_i^{\epsilon}(t')$
  - Production amplitudes $T_{ir}^{\epsilon} \rightarrow$ Extended log-likelihood fit
  - Acceptance corrections included
- Spin-density matrix: $\rho_{ij}^{\epsilon} = \sum_r T_{ir}^{\epsilon} T_{jr}^{\epsilon *}$

$\rightarrow$ Physical parameters:

$$\text{Intens}_i^{\epsilon} = \rho_{ii}^{\epsilon},$$

relative phase Φ_{ij}^{e}

$$\text{Coh}\ _{i,j}^{\epsilon} = \sqrt{(\ \text{Re}\ \rho_{ij}^{\epsilon})^2 + (\ \text{Im}\ \rho_{ij}^{\epsilon})^2} \Big/ \sqrt{\rho_{ii}^{\epsilon} \rho_{jj}^{\epsilon}}$$

- Mass-dependent χ^2-fit (not presented here):
  - X parameterized by Breit-Wigner (BW) functions
  - Background can be added

Mass dependence of the diffractive slope

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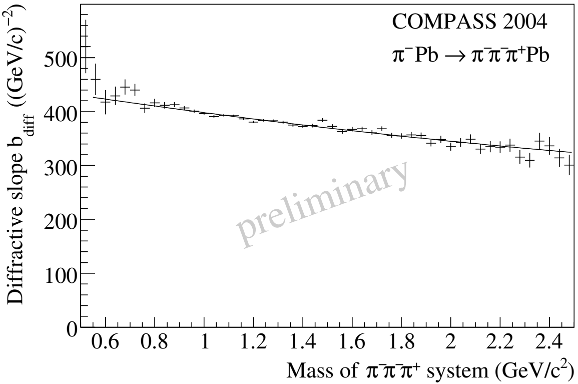
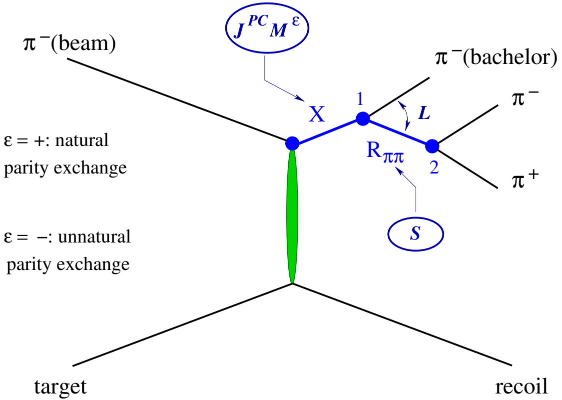


Partial Wave Analysis Formalism

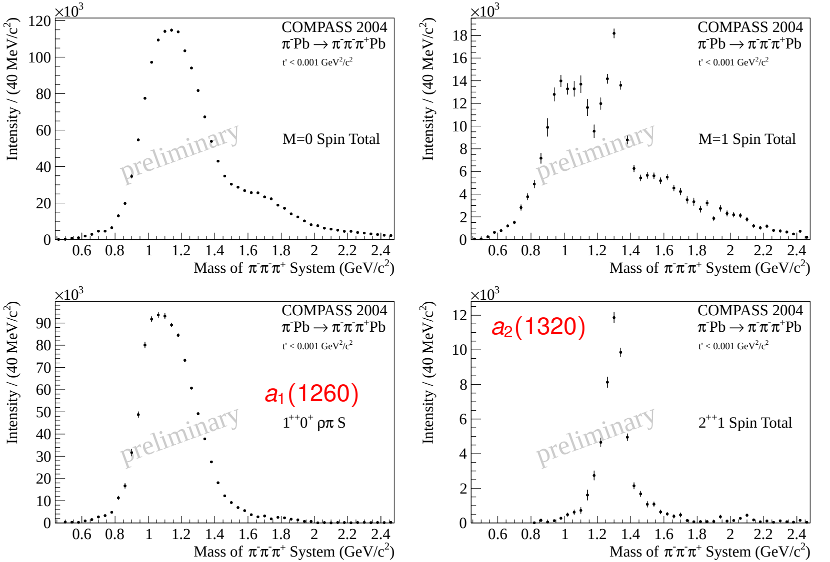
Isobar Model



- Isobar model: Intermediate 2-particle decays
- Partial wave in reflectivity basis: $J^{PC} M^{\epsilon} [isobar] L$

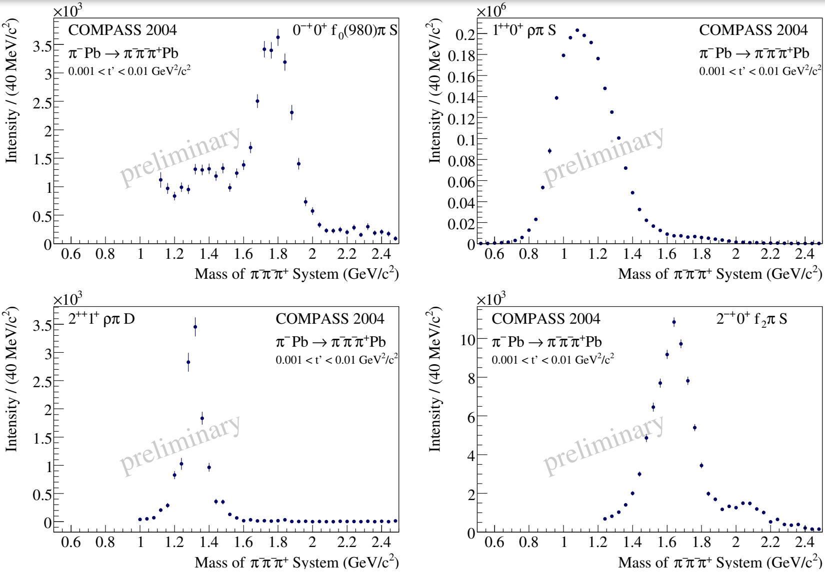
- Mass-independent PWA (40 MeV/c^2 mass bins): 38 waves
  Fit of angular dependence of partial waves, interferences
- Mass-dependent χ^2-fit (Not presented here)

Major intensities in m(3π)-bins (acceptance corrected)



PWA of data with low t'

Intensity of selected waves: $0^{-+}0^+ f_0(980)\pi S$, $1^{++}0^+ \rho\pi S$, $2^{++}1^+ \rho\pi D$, $2^{-+}0^+ f_2(1270)\pi S$



Spin Totals for $t' < 10^{-3}\,(\mathrm{GeV}/c)^2$

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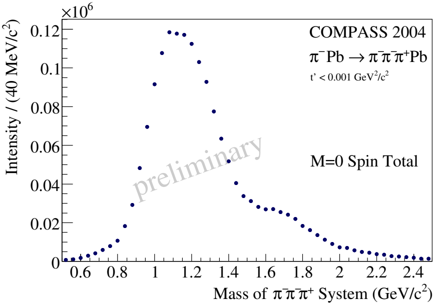
"Spin Totals": Sum of all contributions for given M (i.e. z-projection of J)

t'-dependent amplitudes:

Primakoff production: M=1: $\sigma(t') \propto e^{-b_{\mathrm{Prim}}t'}$ $\rightarrow$ arises at $t' \approx 0$ (resoluted shape!)

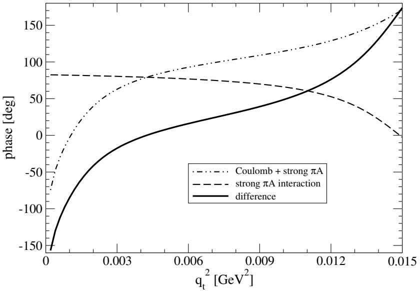
Diffractive production: M=0: $\sigma(t') \propto e^{-b_{\mathrm{diff}}(m)t'}$

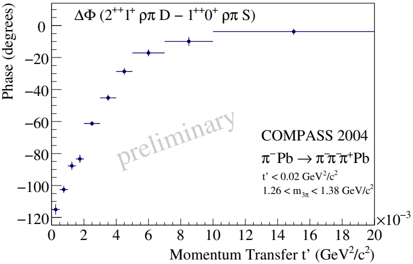
M=1: $\sigma(t') \propto t' e^{-b_{\mathrm{diff}}(m)t'}$ $\rightarrow$ vanishes for $t' \approx 0$



M=0 M=1

Theory: Phase a_2(strong+Coulomb)-a_1(strong)





Glauber modell

G. Fäldt and U. Tengblad, Phys. Rev. C79, 014607 (2009)

Plot: N. Kaiser (TU München)

⇒ indicates confirmation of interference Coulomb-interaction - strong interaction
⇒ detailed studies of the nature of resonances

Primakoff contribution at $t' < 10^{-3}\,(\text{GeV}/c)^2$

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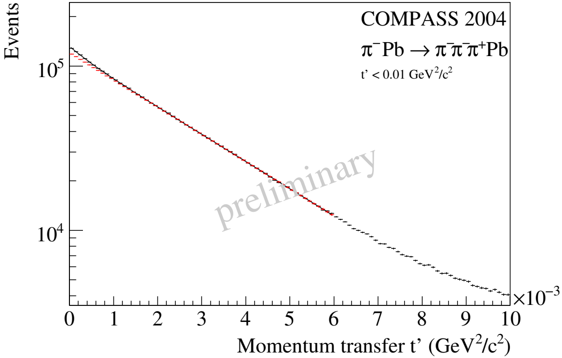
Primakoff: $\sigma(t') \propto e^{-b_{\text{Prim}}t'}$, $b_{\text{Prim}} \approx 2000\,(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}$ (mainly resolution)
Diffractive: $\sigma(t') \propto e^{-b_{\text{diff}}t'}$, $b_{\text{diff}} \approx 400\,(\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}$ for lead target



(Mass) spectrum of this Primakoff contribution?
$\Rightarrow$ Statistical subtraction of diffractive background (for bins of $m_{3\pi}$)