

COMPASS results on the gluon polarisation from the Open-Charm analysis

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Nucleon spin structure

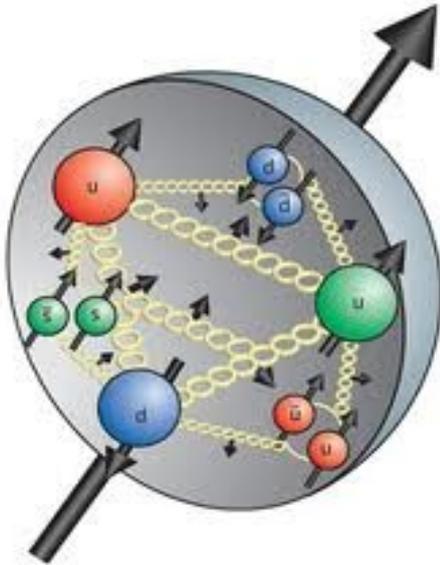
- Nucleon spin \rightarrow

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma + \Delta G + L$$

quarks

gluons

orbital angular momentum (quarks/gluons)



- Assuming the static quark model wave function:

$$|p \uparrow\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} \left[2|u \uparrow u \uparrow d \downarrow\rangle - |u \uparrow u \downarrow d \uparrow\rangle - |u \downarrow u \uparrow d \uparrow\rangle + (u \leftrightarrow d) \right]$$

$$\Delta u = \langle p \uparrow | N_{u \uparrow} - N_{u \downarrow} | p \uparrow \rangle = \frac{3}{18} (10 - 2) = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\Delta d = \langle p \uparrow | N_{d \uparrow} - N_{d \downarrow} | p \uparrow \rangle = \frac{3}{18} (2 - 4) = -\frac{1}{3}$$

- $\Delta \Sigma = (\Delta u + \Delta d) = 1$

Up and Down quarks carry all the nucleon spin

Spin crisis

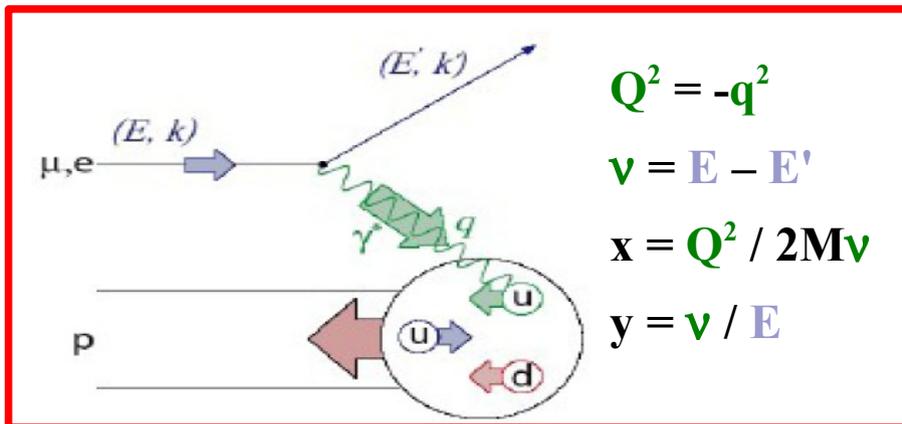
- However, **by applying relativistic corrections** (*and assuming SU(3) symmetry*):

$$\Delta\Sigma \sim 0.60$$

- Where is the remaining part of the nucleon spin? ($\Delta G ? L_{q(g)} ?$)
 - Glucos solved the problem of the missing momentum in the nucleon:
 - Will they be the solution too for this missing spin? \Rightarrow **Measure $\Delta G!$**

- **Experimental $\Delta\Sigma$** (from polarised DIS):

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$$\Delta\Sigma = 0.30 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.02 \quad (\text{world data})$$

@ $Q^2 = 3 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$

Much smaller than expected...

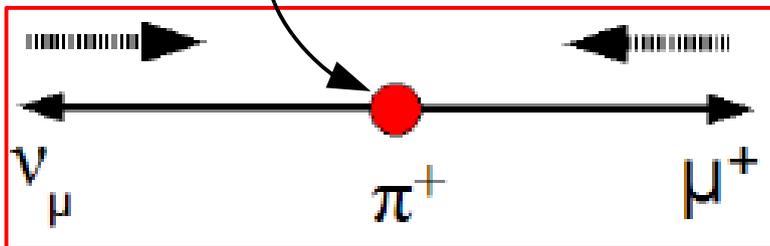
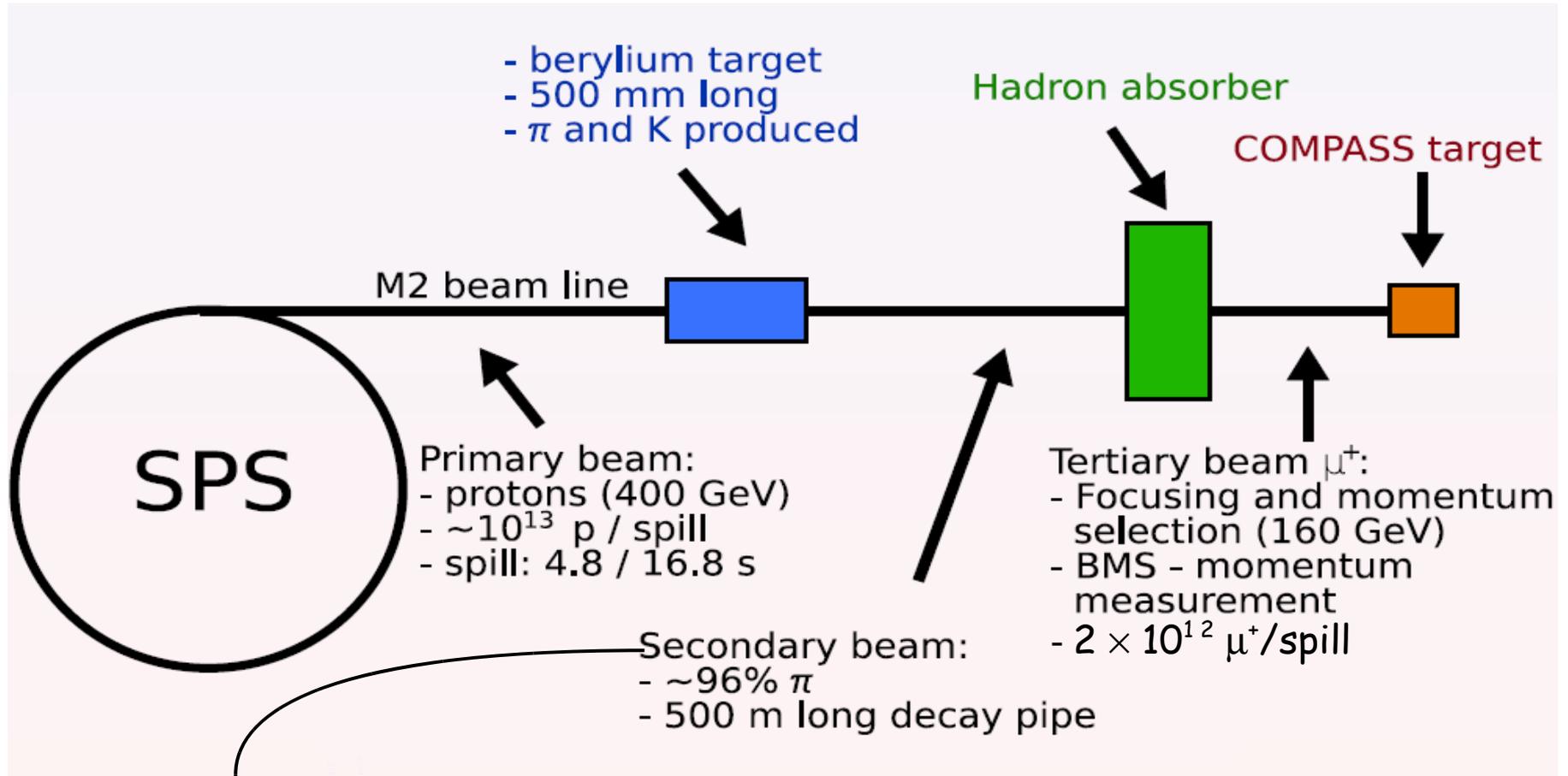


SPIN CRISIS!!!

- Another reason for measuring the gluon spin contribution:
 - Due to the gluon axial anomaly, if ΔG is large it could explain a small $\Delta\Sigma$

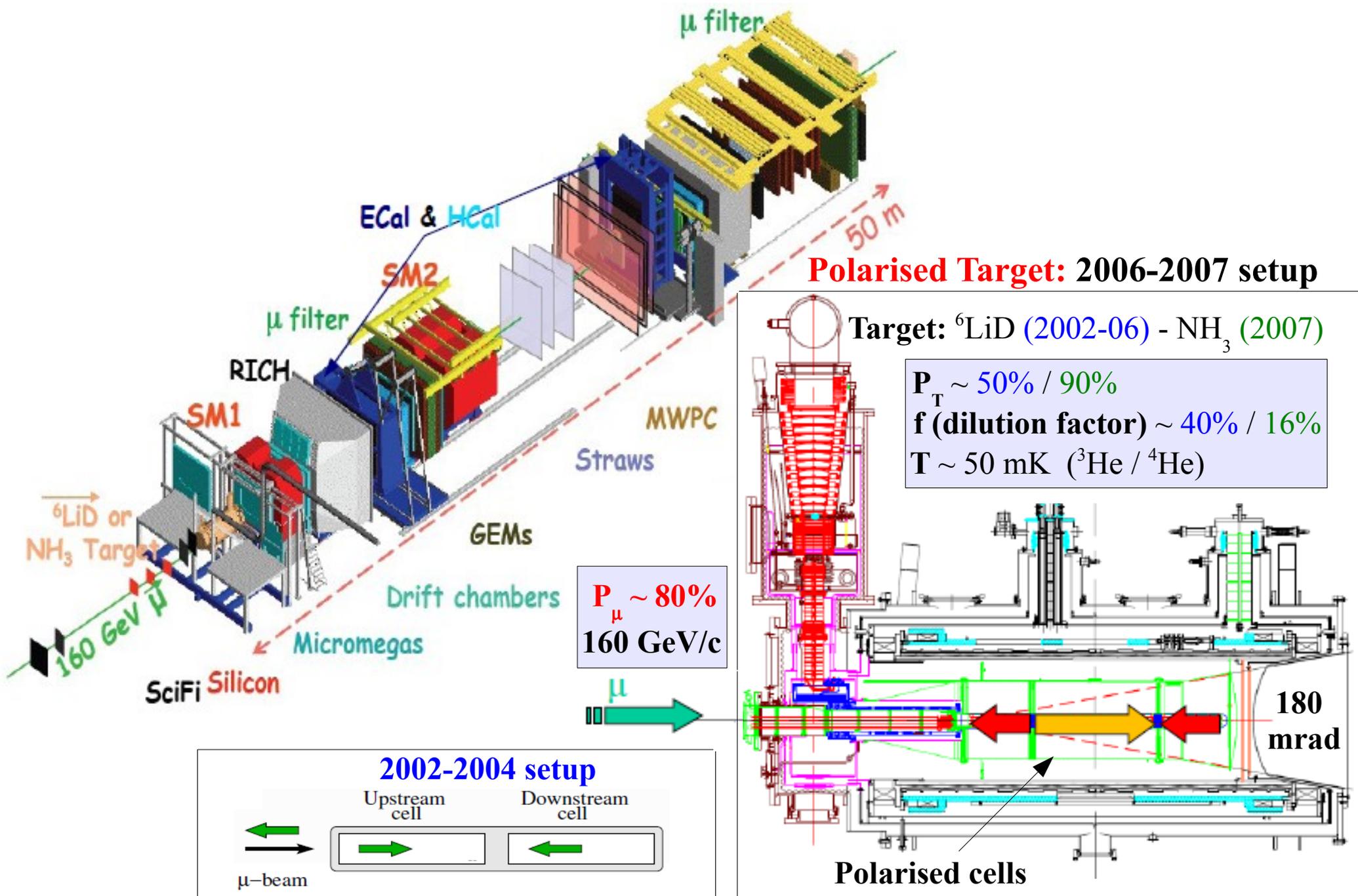
The COMPASS Experiment

The polarised beam



Naturally polarised muon beam: $P_\mu \sim 80\%$

The spectrometer and polarised target

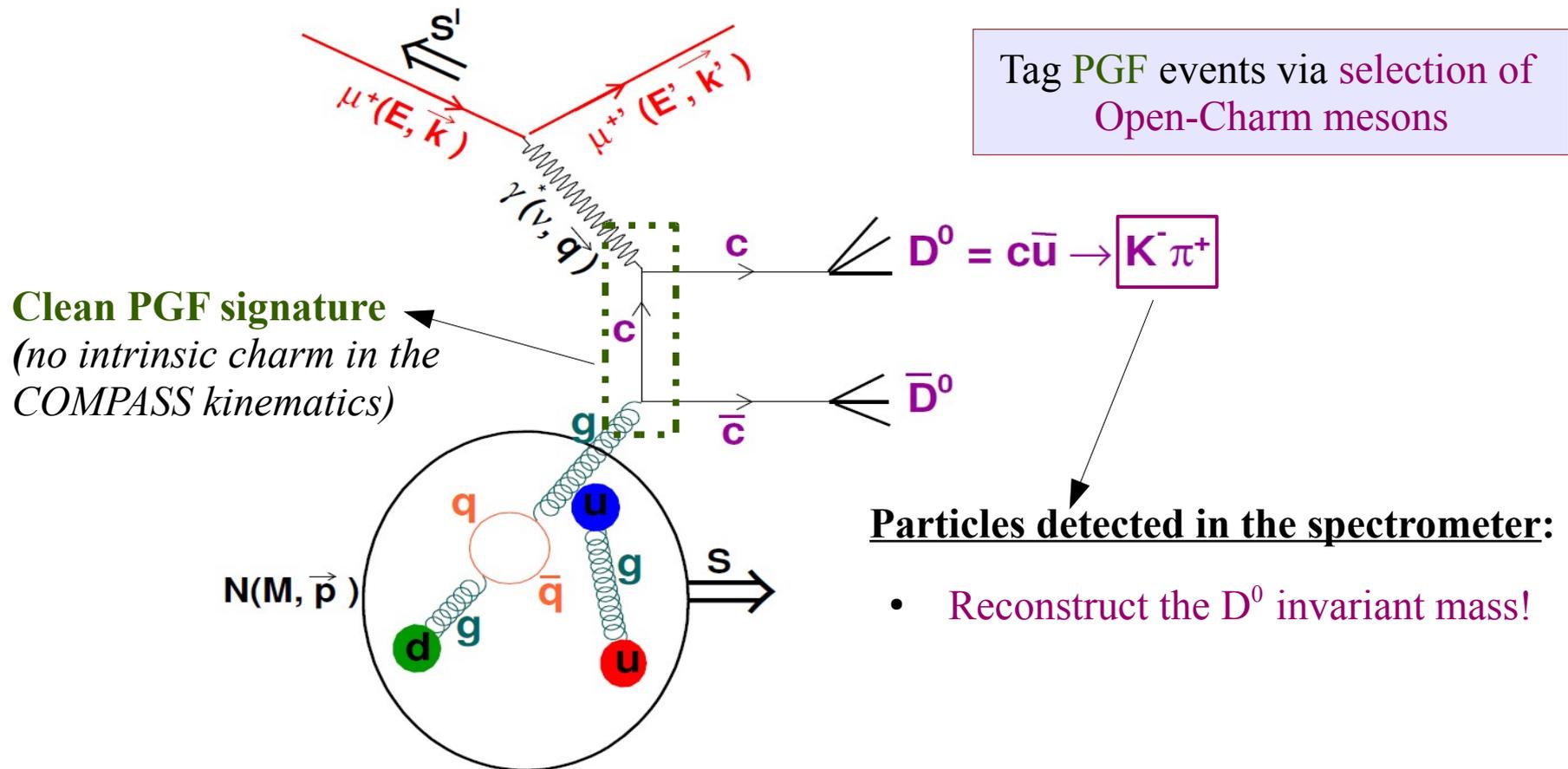


The Open-Charm analysis

How to tag a polarised gluon?

- In COMPASS, we can probe directly the gluons using the following interaction:

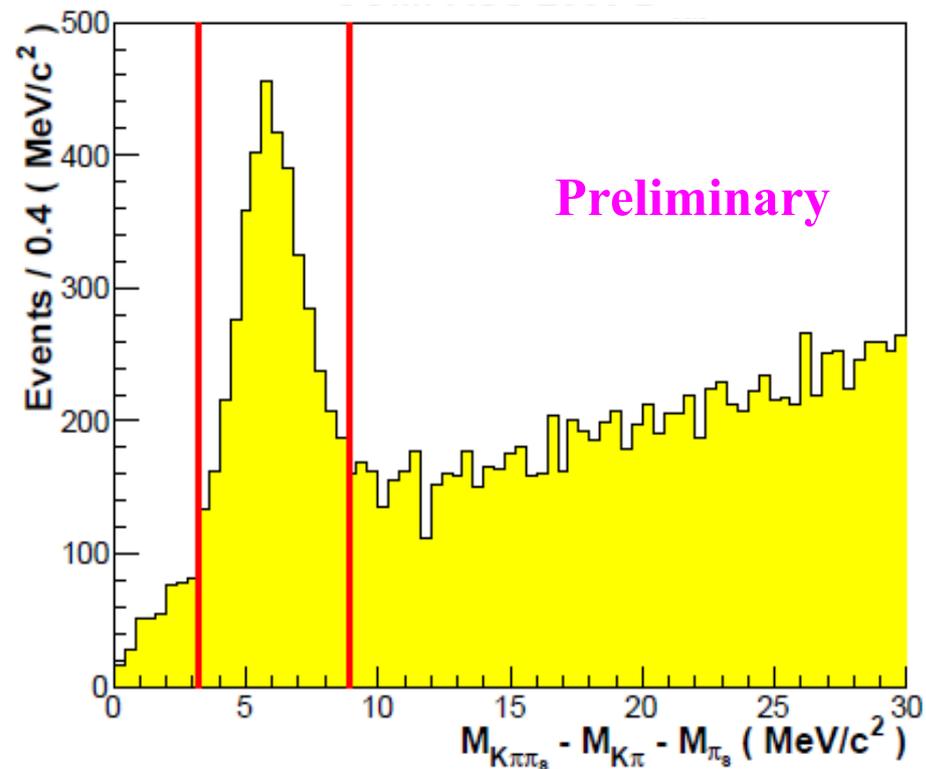
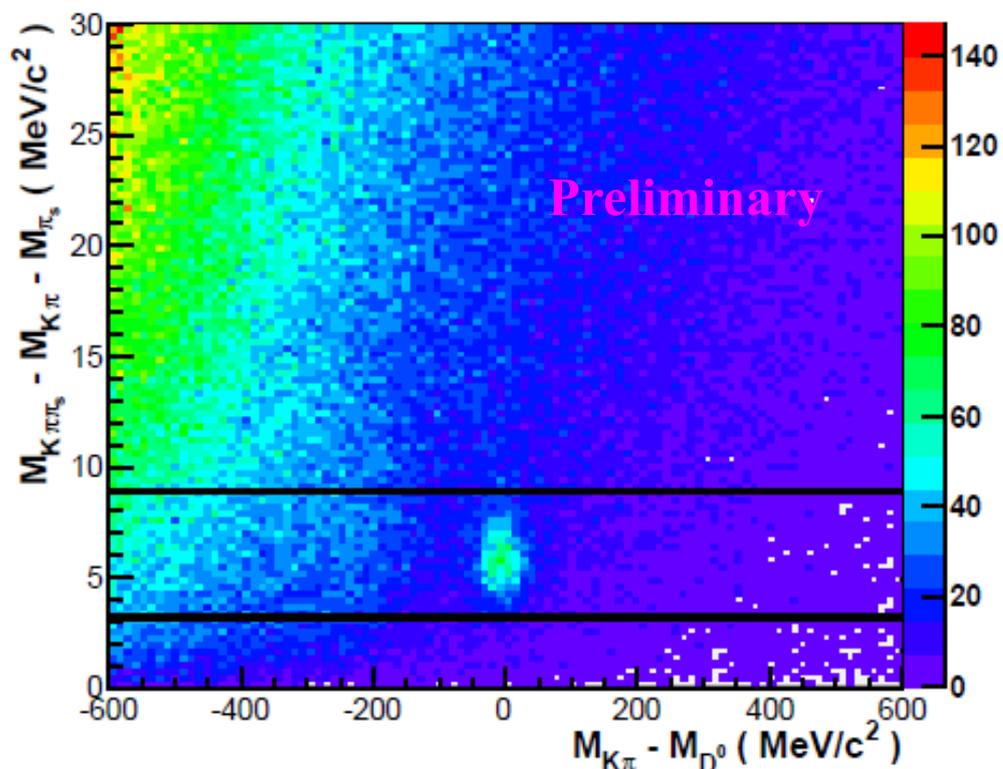
The photon-gluon fusion process (*LO-PGF*)



Reconstruction of Open-Charm mesons

- **Events considered** (resulting from the c -quarks fragmentation):
 - $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ (BR: 4%)
 - $D^* \rightarrow D^0\pi_s$ (30% D^0 tagged with a D^*)
 - $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$
 - $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi\pi^0$ (BR: 13%) \rightarrow **not directly reconstructed**
 - $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi\pi\pi$ (BR: 7.5%)
 - $D^0 \rightarrow K_{\text{sub}}\pi$ \longrightarrow **no RICH ID for Kaons** ($p(K) < 9 \text{ GeV}/c$)
- **Selection to reduce the combinatorial background:**
 - **Kinematic cuts:** Z_{D^0} , kaon angle in the D^0 centre-of-mass, K and π momentum
 - **RICH identification:** K and π ID + electrons rejected from the π_s sample
 - Mass cut for the D^* tagged channels ($M^{\text{rec}}[K\pi\pi_s] - M^{\text{rec}}[K\pi] - M[\pi]$)
 - Use of a Neural Network to improve the purity of the D^0 spectra

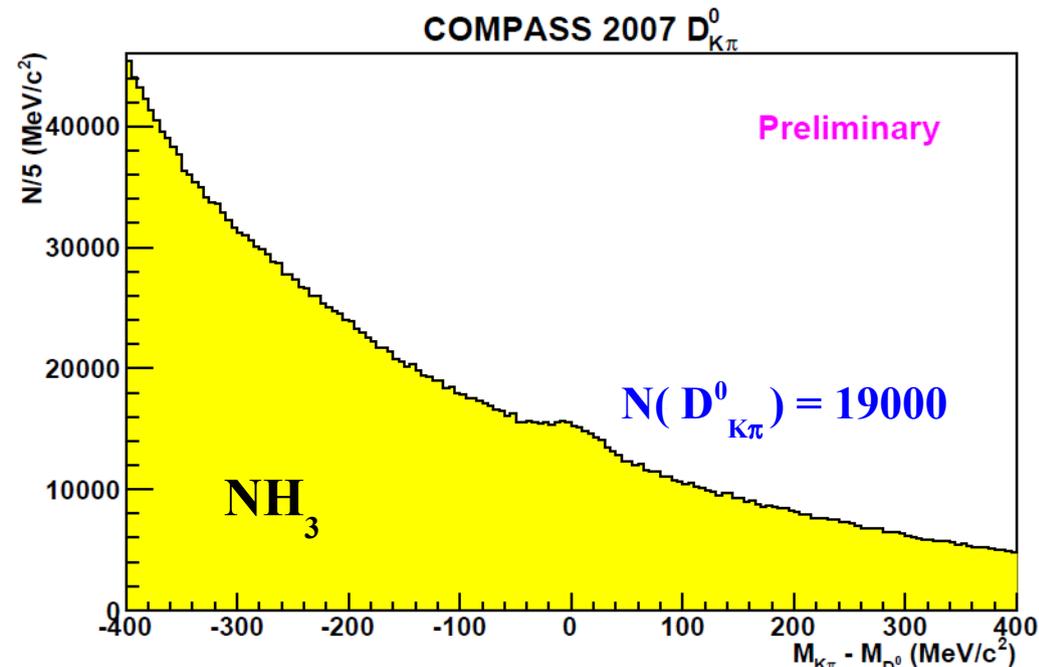
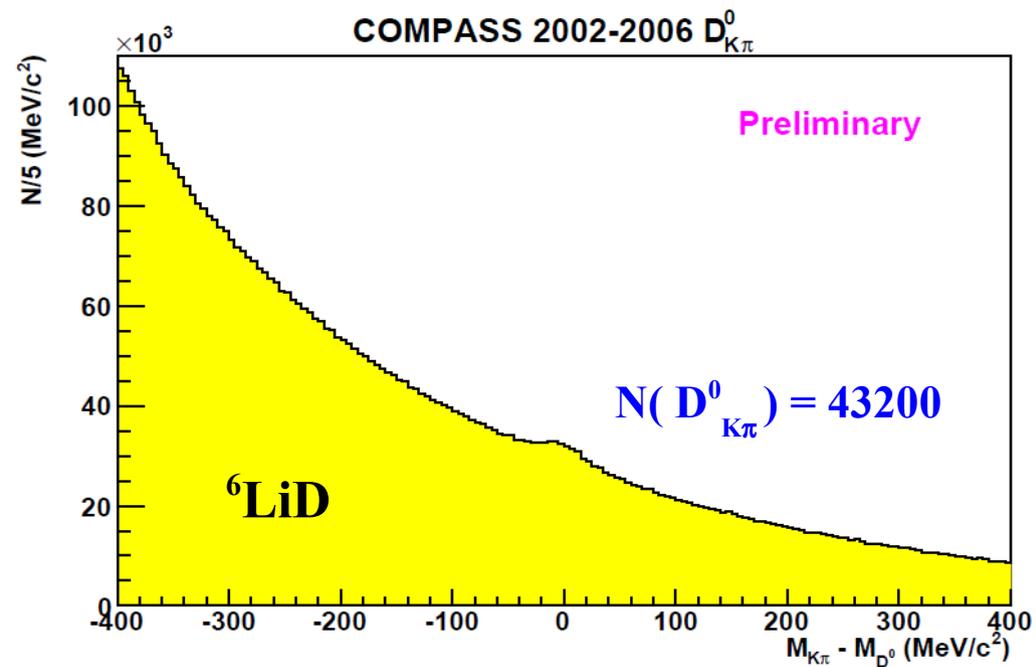
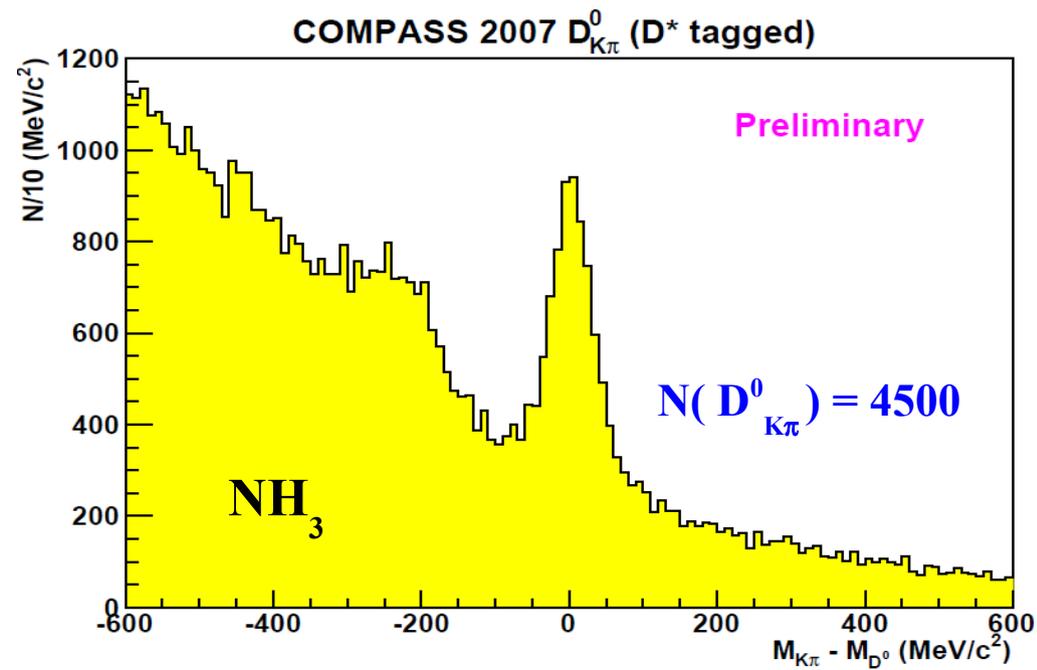
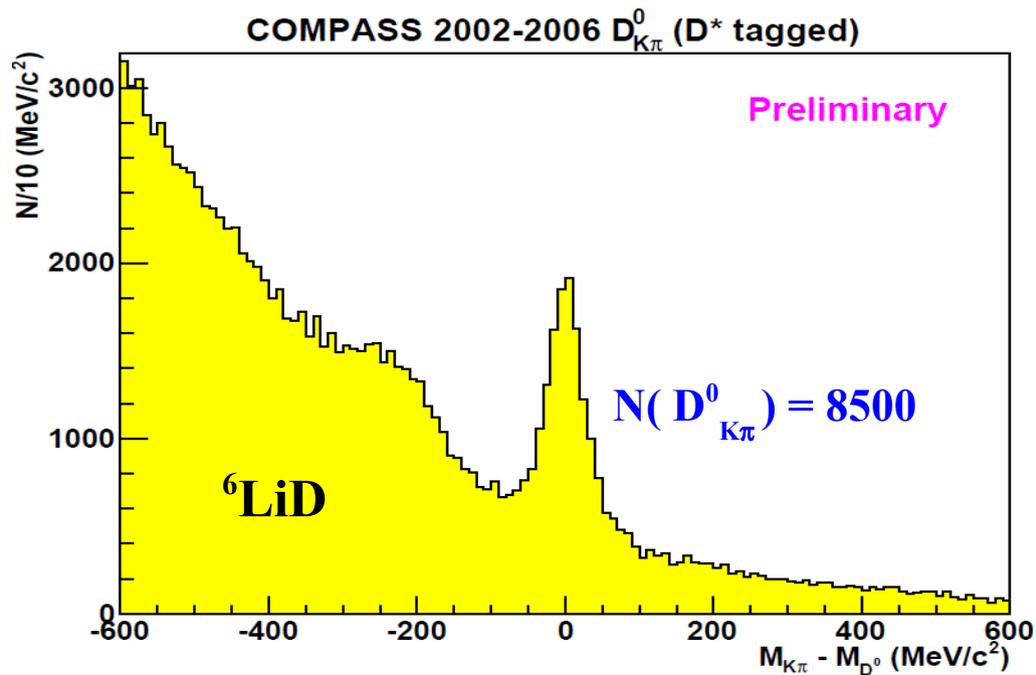
The mass cut for the D^* tagged channels



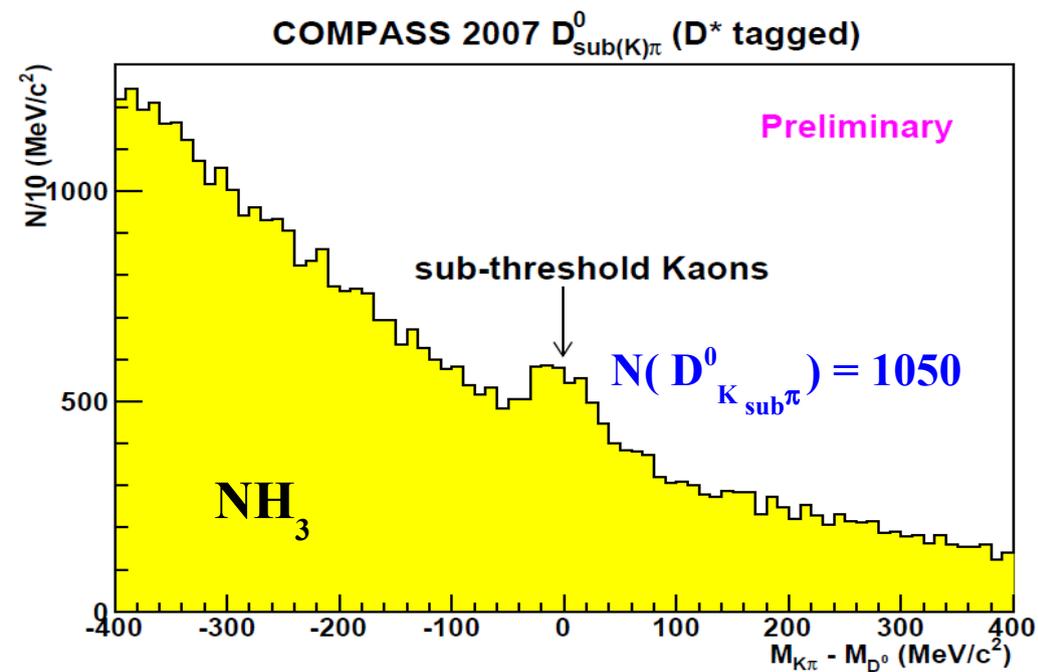
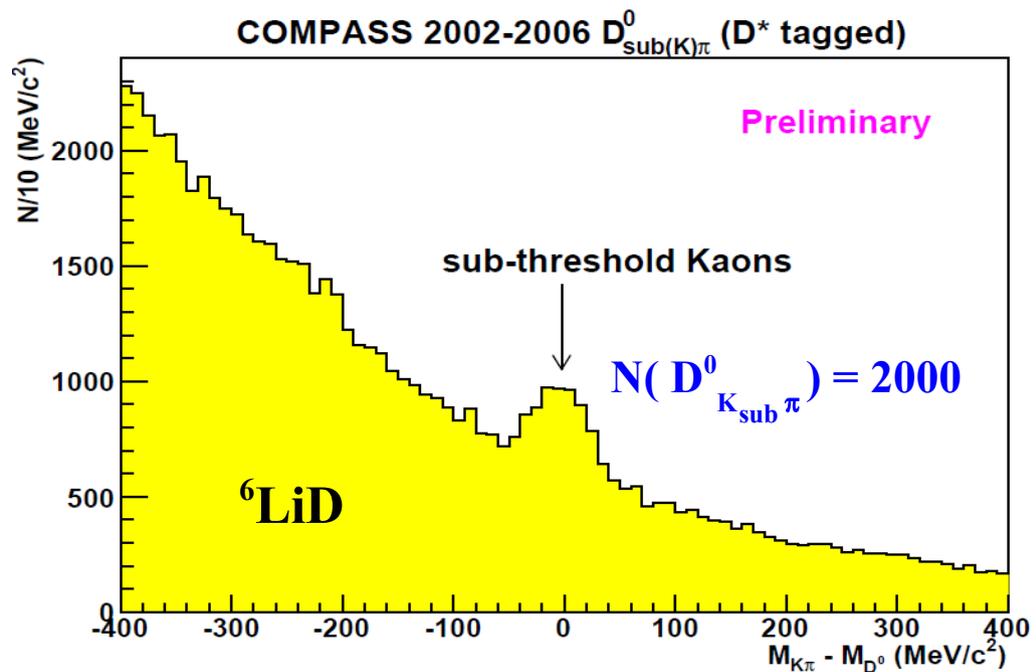
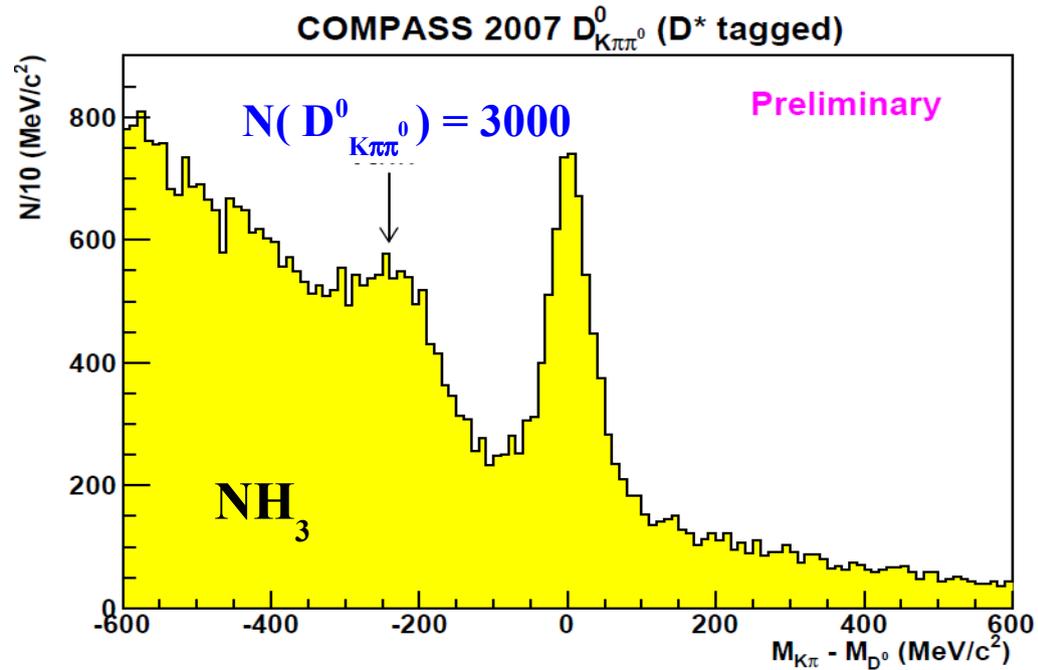
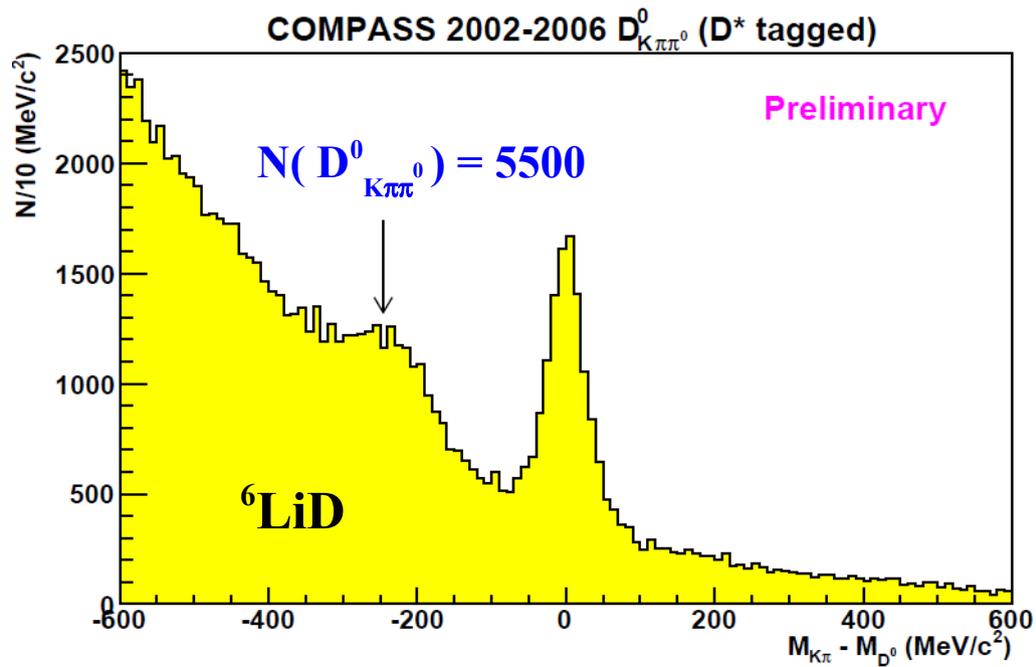
$$3.2 \text{ MeV}/c^2 < (M^{\text{rec}}[K\pi\pi_s] - M^{\text{rec}}[K\pi] - M[\pi]) < 8.9 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

- Improves the FOM of the $D^0_{K\pi}$ sample by a factor of 3! (*tagged vs non-tagged*)
- Allows us to reconstruct low-purity channels of low statistics: $D^0_{K\pi\pi^0}$, $D^0_{K\pi\pi\pi}$ and $D^0_{K_{\text{sub}}\pi}$

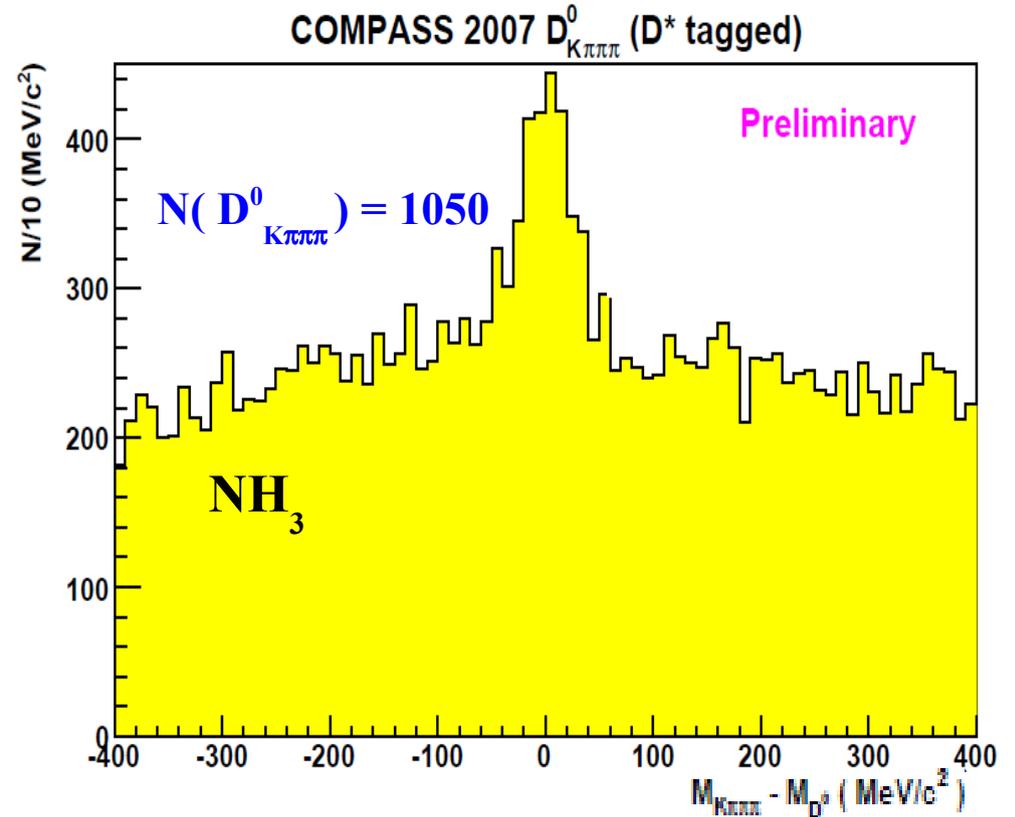
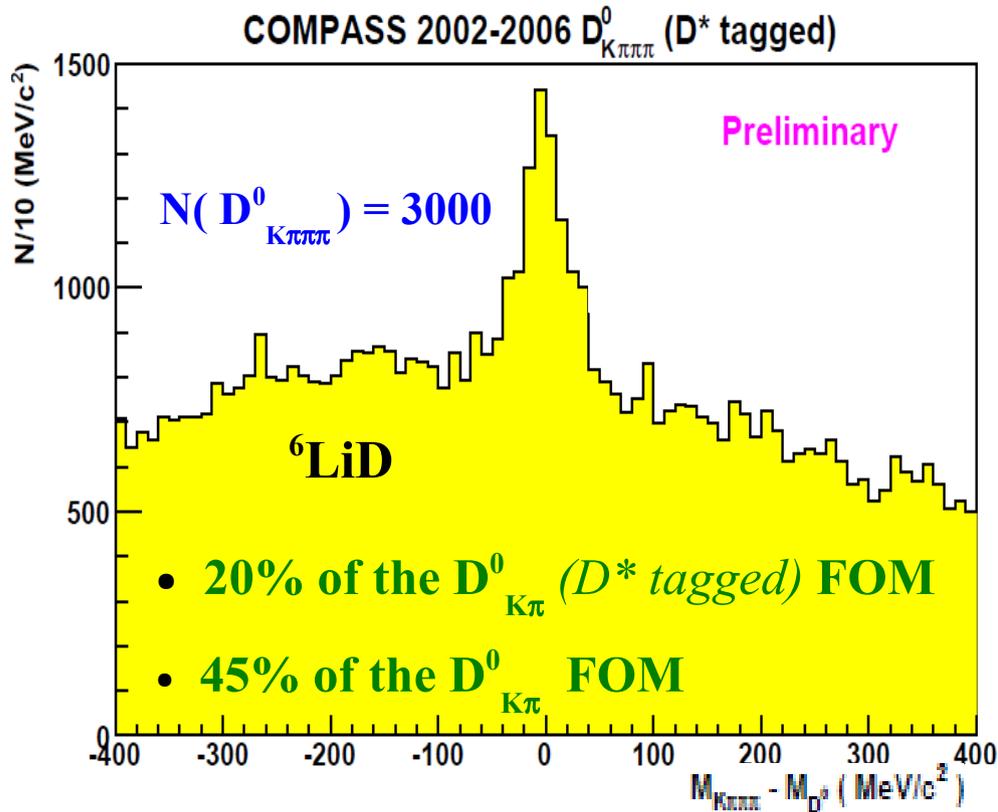
Invariant Mass Spectrum: $D_{K\pi}^0$ (D^* tagged and untagged channels)



Invariant Mass Spectrum: $D^0_{K\pi\pi^0}$ and $D^0_{K_{sub}\pi}$ (D^* tagged channels)



Invariant Mass Spectrum: $D^0_{K\pi\pi\pi}$ (D^* tagged)



Total Number of D^0 :

- ${}^6\text{LiD} \rightarrow 65600$
 - $\text{NH}_3 \rightarrow 25000$
- 90600**

Measuring D^0 asymmetries to extract ΔG

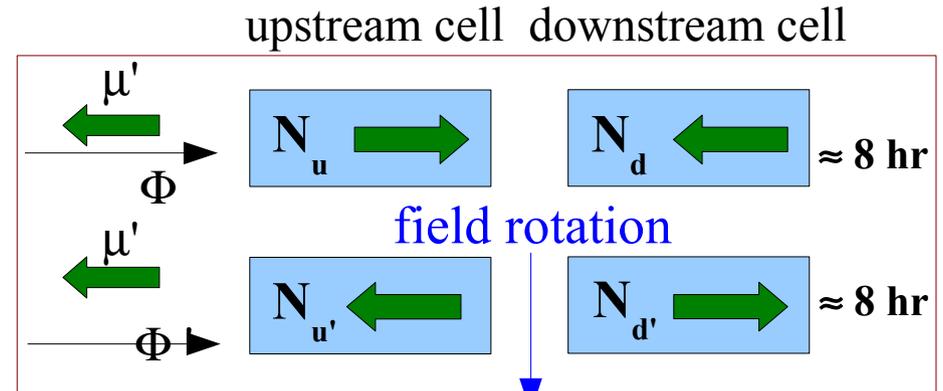
- The number of reconstructed D^0 inside each spin configuration, N_t ($t = u, d, u', d'$), can be used to extract an Open-Charm asymmetry for the PGF interaction:

Considering $A^{bg} = 0$

$$A^{\text{exp}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{N_u - N_d}{N_u + N_d} + \frac{N_{d'} - N_{u'}}{N_{u'} + N_{d'}} \right)$$

$$= f \cdot P_\mu \cdot P_T \cdot \frac{S}{S+B} A^{\mu, N}$$

Open-Charm event probability



equal acceptance for both spin configurations

- In LO-QCD, we have for $A^{\mu, N}$:

$$A^{\mu, N} = \langle a_{LL} \rangle \frac{\Delta G}{G} \quad \text{with} \quad a_{LL} = \left(\frac{\Delta \sigma^{\text{PGF}}}{\sigma^{\text{PGF}}} \right)$$

- Weighting each event with $\omega = (f \cdot P_\mu \cdot \frac{S}{S+B} \cdot a_{LL})$: \rightarrow **needed for every event**

$$\frac{\Delta G}{G} = \frac{1}{2P_T} \times \left(\frac{\omega_u - \omega_d}{\omega_u^2 + \omega_d^2} + \frac{\omega_{u'} - \omega_{d'}}{\omega_{u'}^2 + \omega_{d'}^2} \right) \quad \text{with a statistical gain: } \frac{\langle \omega^2 \rangle}{\langle \omega \rangle^2}$$

Open-Charm analysis: Simultaneous extraction of $\Delta G/G$ and A^{bg}

- The relation between the number of reconstructed D^0 and $\Delta G/G$ is given by (for each target cell configuration):

Depolarisation factor

$$N_t = a \phi n (S+B) \left(1 + f P_T P_\mu \left[a_{LL} \frac{S}{S+B} \frac{\Delta G}{G} + D \frac{B}{S+B} A^{bg} \right] \right), \quad t=(u, d, u', d')$$

acceptance, muon flux, number of target nucleons

Open Charm event probability

- Each event contributing to one of 4 equations is weighted with a signal weight, $\omega_S = f P_\mu a_{LL} S/(S+B)$, and also with a background weight, $\omega_B = f P_\mu D B/(S+B)$, and the weighted sums of events are taken:

8 equations with 7 unknowns: $\Delta G/G$, A^{bg} + 5 independent $\alpha = (a\phi n)$ factors

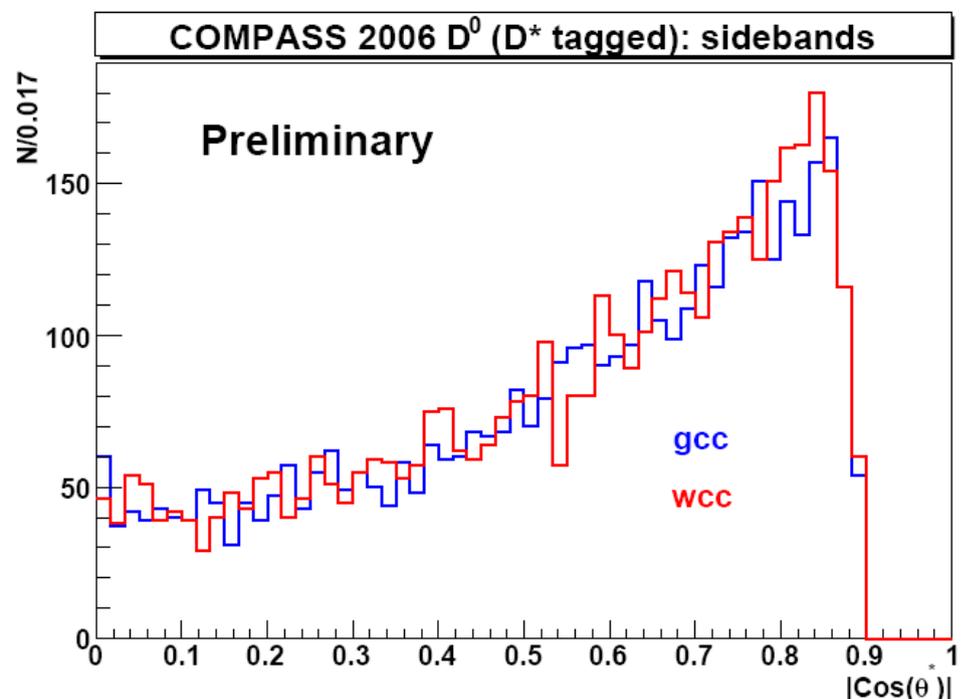
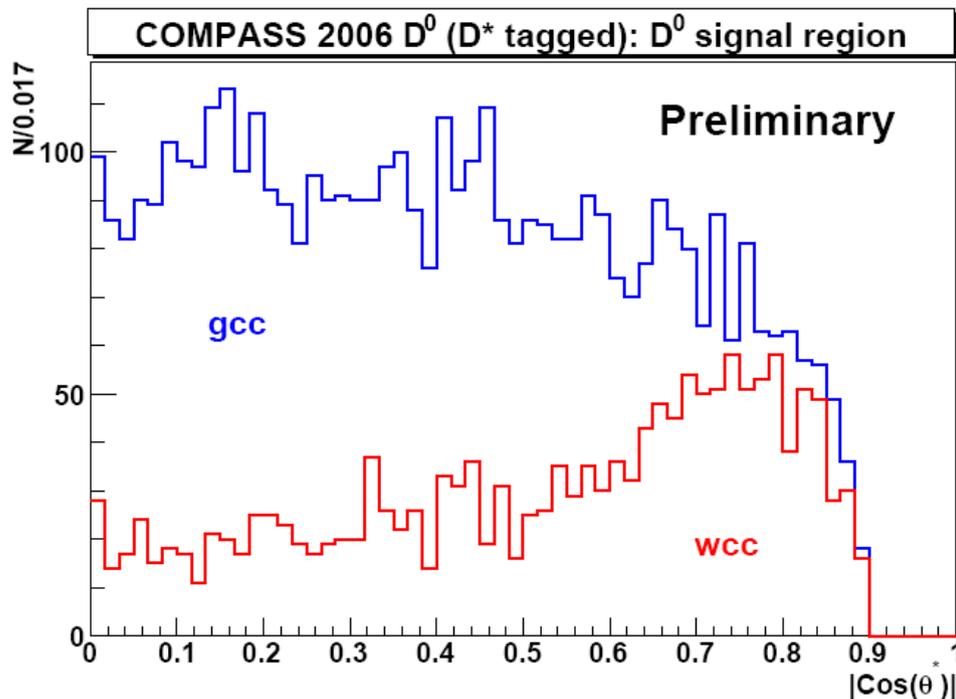
The system is solved by a χ^2 minimisation

Determination of $S/(S+B)$

$s/(s+b)_{\text{NN}}$: Classification of events by a Neural Network

- Two real data samples, selected with the same cuts, are compared by a Neural Network (*using some kinematic variables as a learning vector*):
 - **Signal model** \rightarrow $\text{gcc} = \mathbf{K}^+ \pi^- \pi_s^- + \mathbf{K}^- \pi^+ \pi_s^+$ (D^0 spectrum: signal + background)
 - **Background model** \rightarrow $\text{wcc} = \mathbf{K}^+ \pi^+ \pi_s^- + \mathbf{K}^- \pi^- \pi_s^+$ (no D^0 is allowed)
- If the background model is good enough: The Neural Network is able to distinguish the signal from the combinatorial background on a event by event basis (inside gcc)

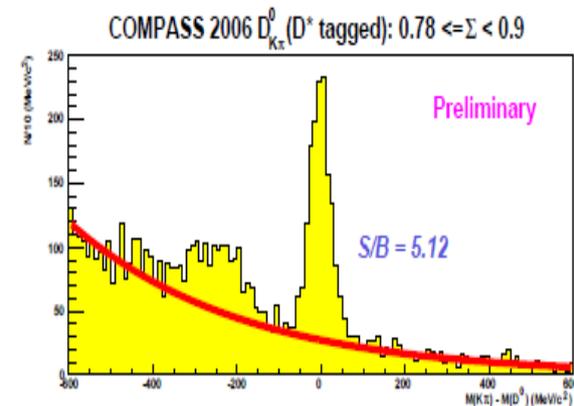
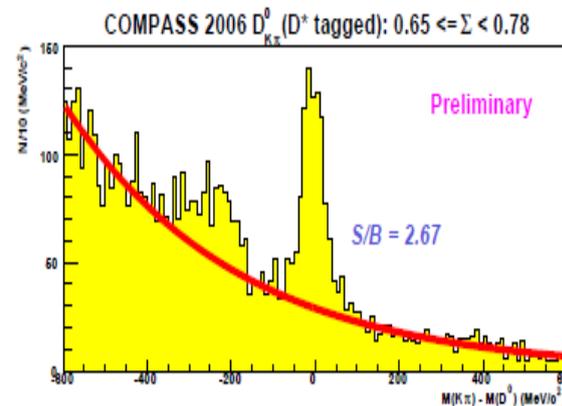
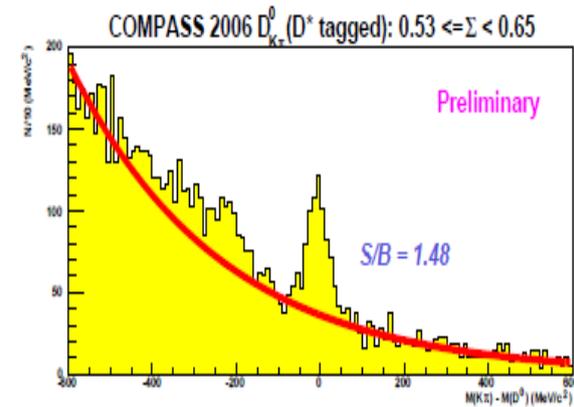
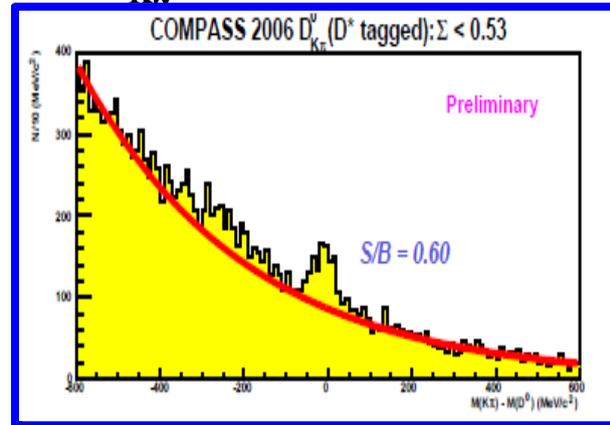
Example of a good learning variable



$s/(s+b)$: Obtaining final probabilities for a D^0 candidate

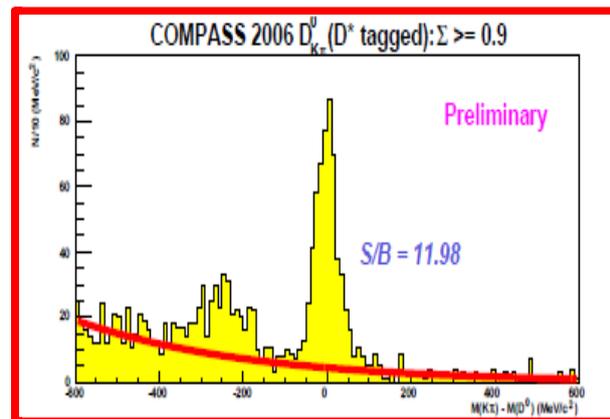
$D^0_{K\pi}$ (D^* tagged) spectrum in bins of $\Sigma = s/(s+b)_{NN}$

- Events with small $s/(s+b)_{NN}$
 - Mostly combinatorial background is selected



$s/(s+b)$ is obtained from a fit to these spectra (correcting with the NN parameterisation)

- Events with large $s/(s+b)_{NN}$
 - Mostly Open-Charm events are selected



$$\delta \left(\frac{\Delta G}{G} \right) \propto \frac{1}{FOM}$$

Determination of a_{LL}

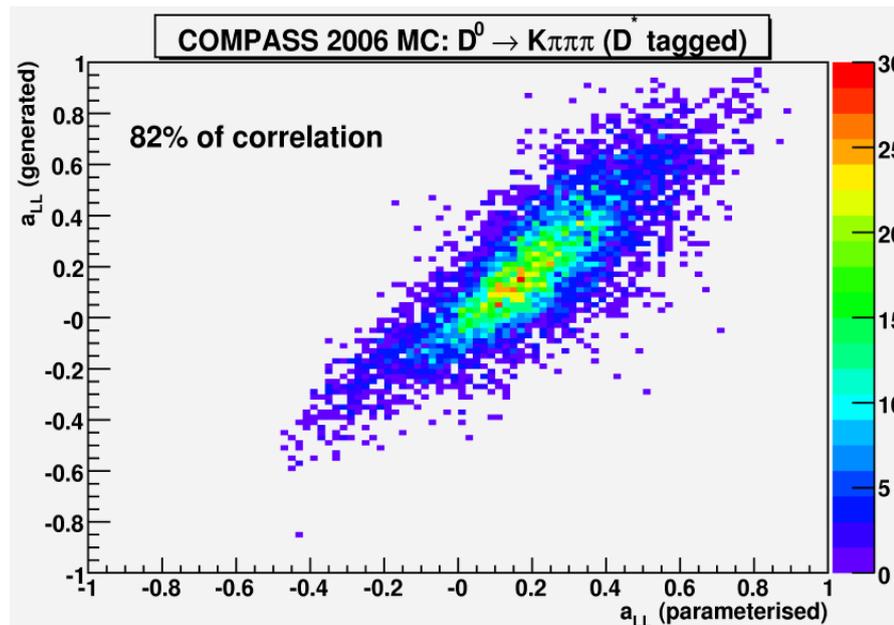
The muon-gluon analysing power

- a_{LL} is dependent on the full knowledge of the partonic kinematics:

$$a_{LL} = \frac{\Delta \sigma^{PGF}}{\sigma_{PGF}}(y, Q^2, x_g, z_C, \phi)$$

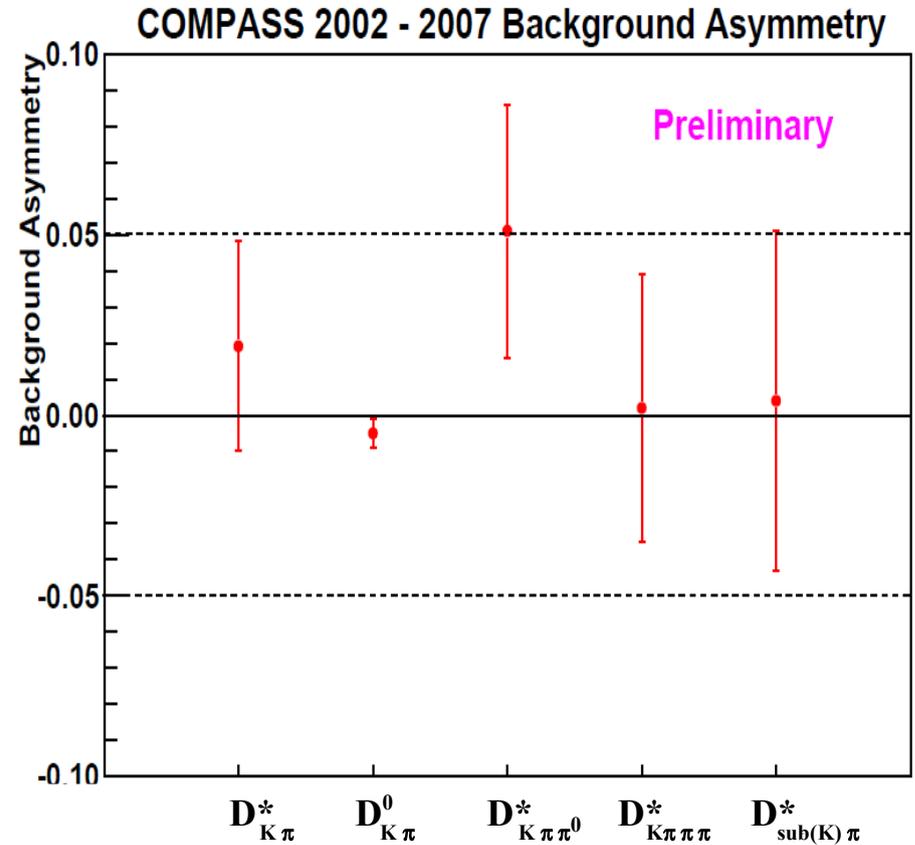
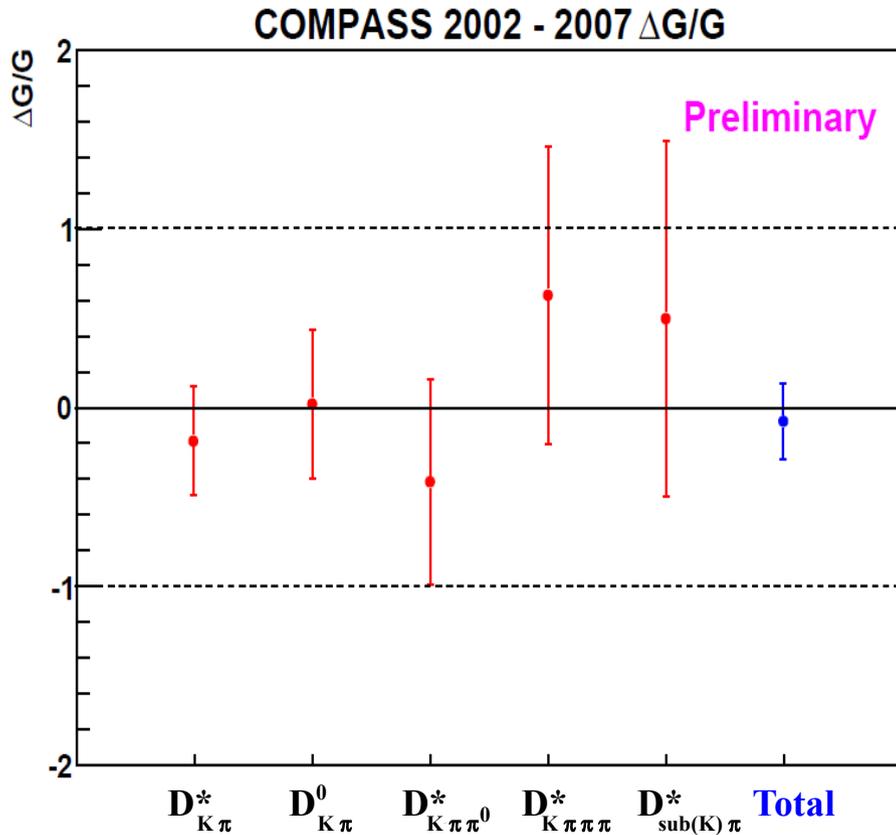
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Can't be experimentally obtained: only one charmed meson is reconstructed

- a_{LL} is obtained from Monte-Carlo (in LO-QCD), to serve as input for a Neural Network parameterisation on some reconstructed kinematical variables: y , x_{Bj} , Q^2 , z_D and p_T



Parameterised a_{LL} shows a strong correlation with the generated one (using AROMA)

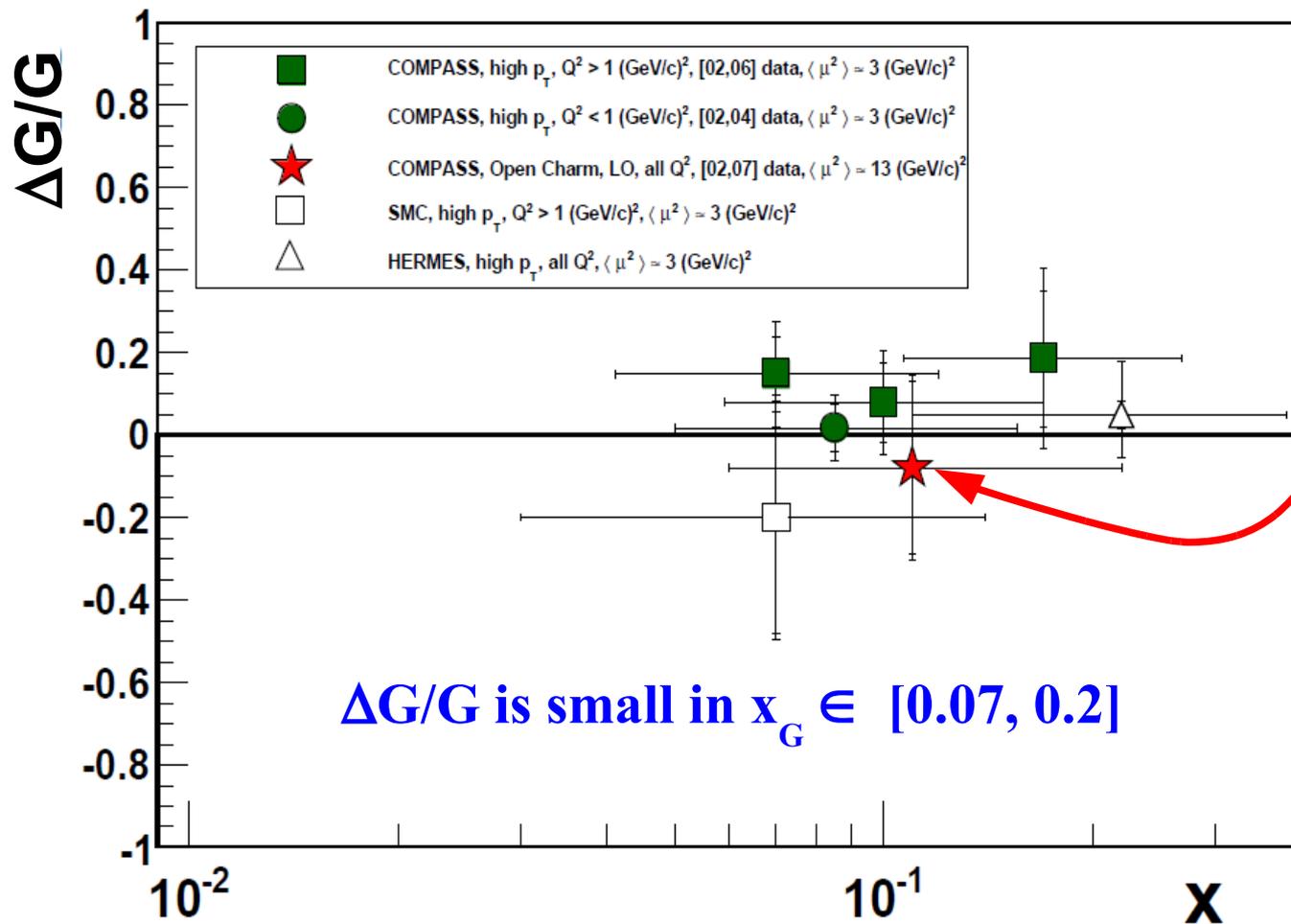
Open-Charm results in LO-QCD



$$\frac{\Delta G}{G} = -0.08 \pm 0.21(\text{stat}) \pm 0.08(\text{syst}) \quad @ \langle \mathbf{x}_g \rangle = 0.1^{+0.11}_{-0.09} \quad \langle \mu^2 \rangle = 13 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$$

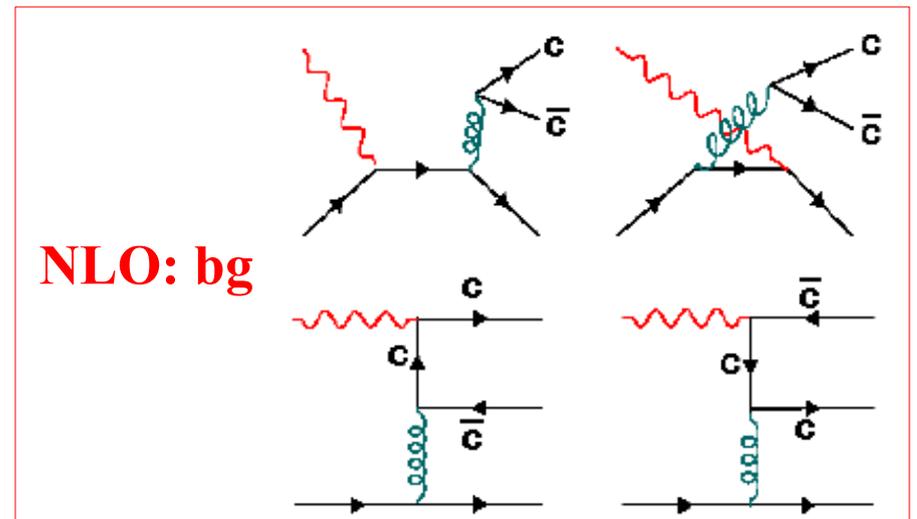
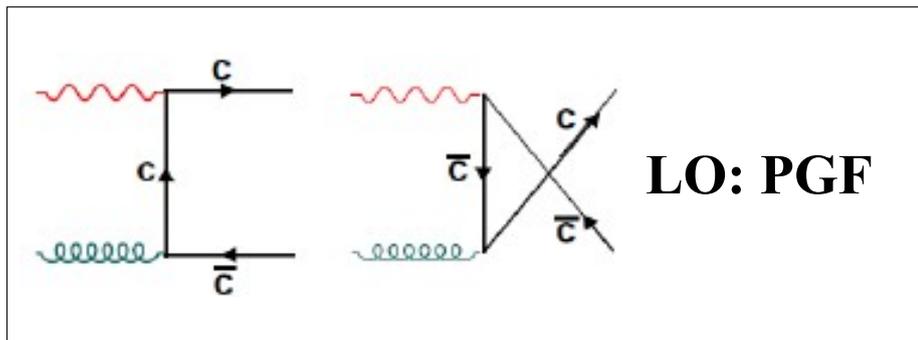
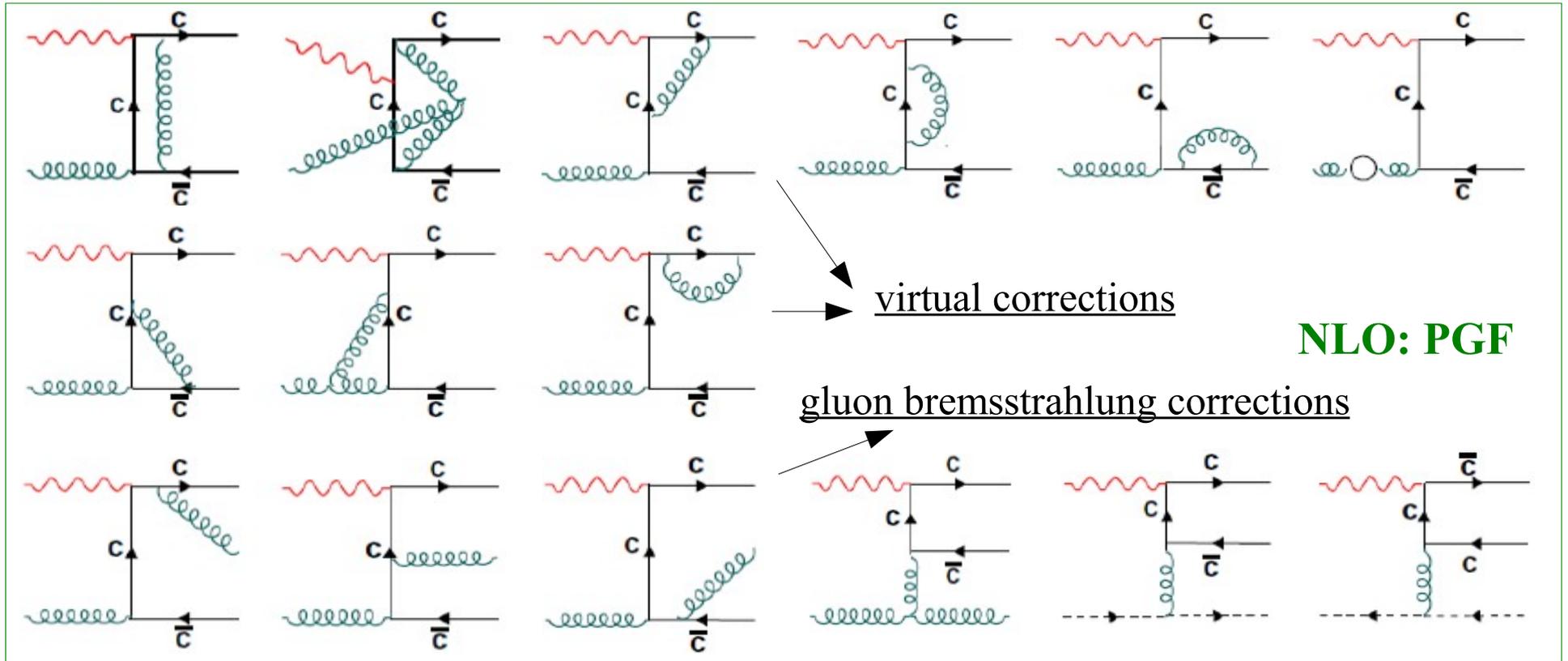
World measurements on $\Delta G/G$ in LO-QCD

- The gluon polarisation was obtained directly from the data, **in LO**, and was found to be compatible with zero



Determination of $\Delta G/G$ in NLO-QCD

NLO corrections to the analysing power $\langle a_{LL} \rangle$



Procedure for NLO calculations

- The **AROMA** generator with **parton-shower-on** (PS-on) describes the COMPASS data very well. Therefore, we can use the concept of PS to simulate the phase space for NLO corrections:
 - The energy of parton-showers defines the upper limit of integration over the energy of the unobserved gluon/quark, in the NLO emission process.
 - a_{LL} is calculated event-by-event from theoretical formulas (as in LO case)
- The following photon-nucleon asymmetries were used to determine $\Delta G/G$:

$$A^{\gamma N} = \left(\frac{a_{LL}^{PGF}(\text{NLO})}{D} \frac{\Delta G}{G} + \frac{a_{LL}^q(\text{NLO})}{D} A_1 \right)$$

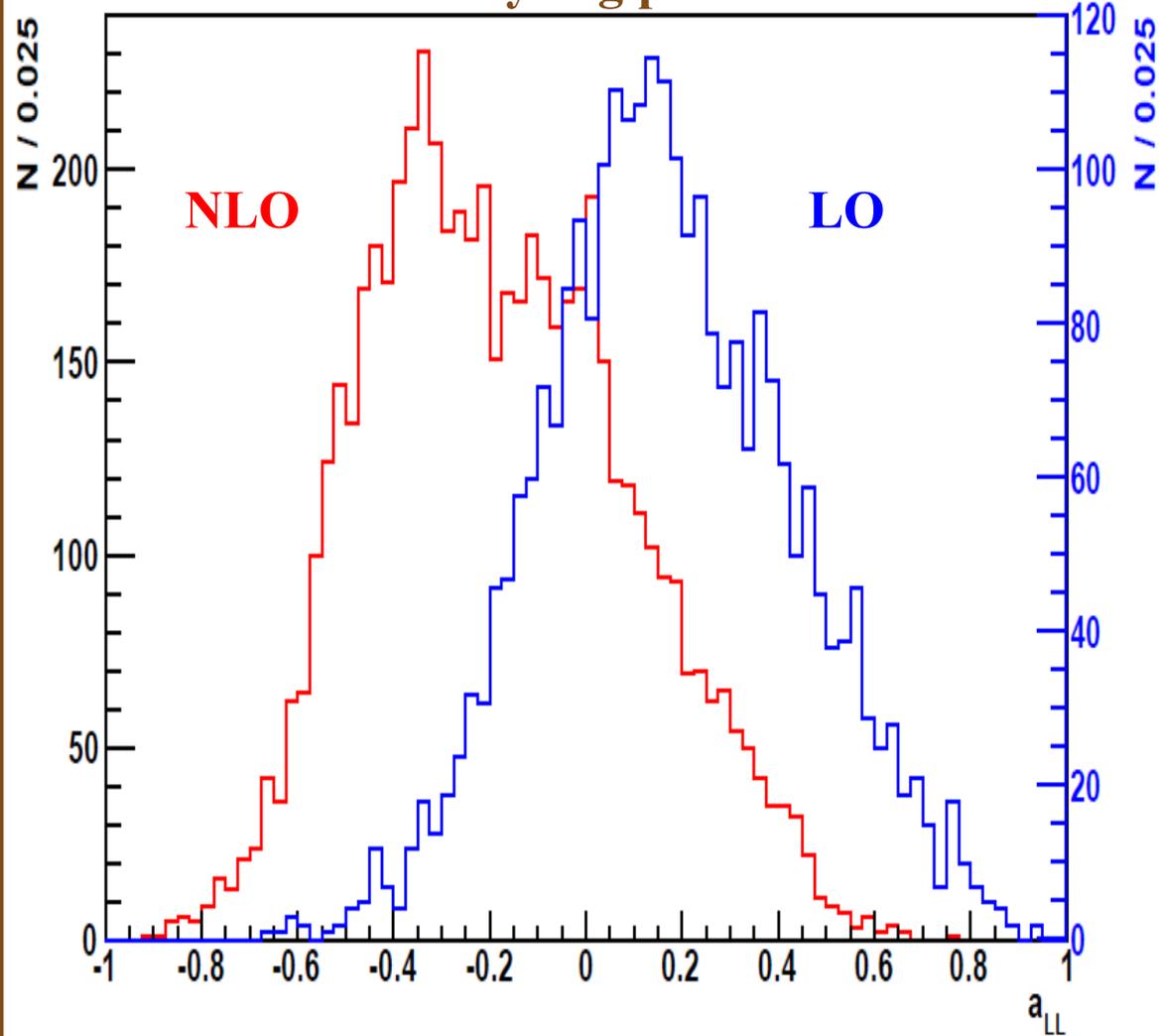
The replacement of a_{LL} by D in ω_s implies the extraction of $A^{\gamma N}$ instead of $\Delta G/G$

→ **Independent of theoretical interpretations** → good for global fits of ΔG

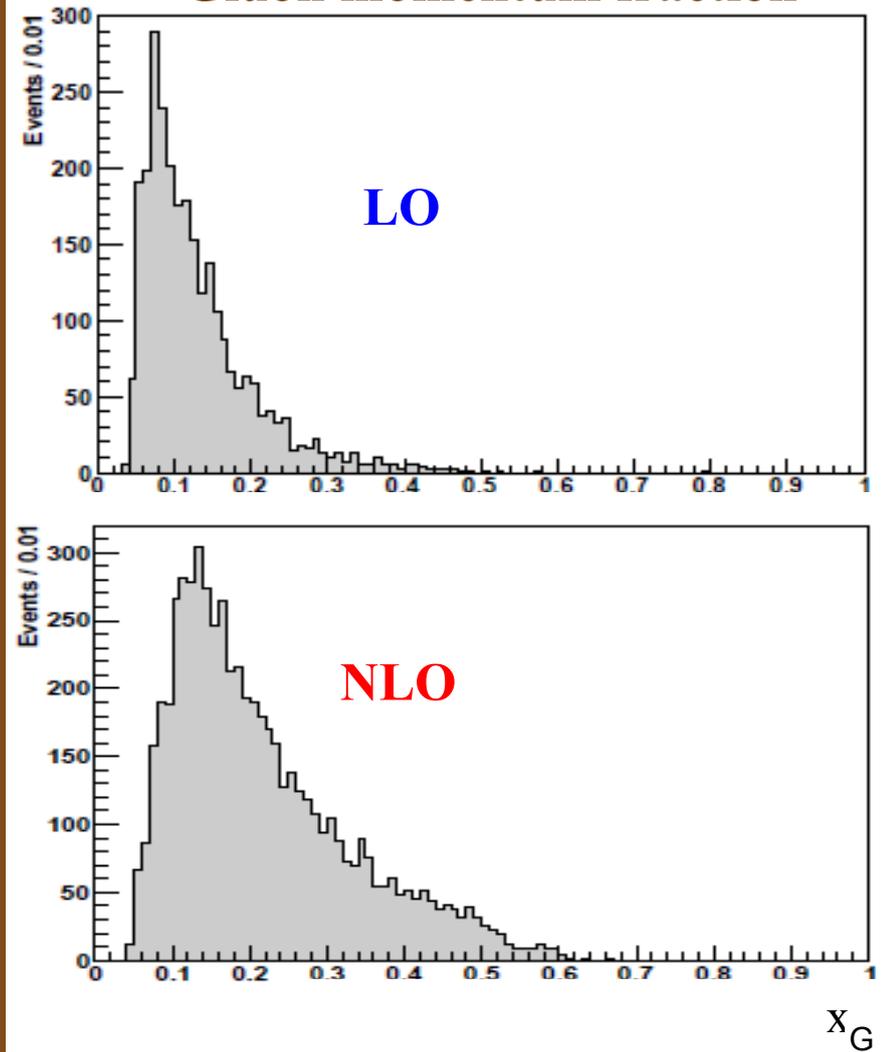
- The term A_1 belonging to the light-quark correction, A_{corr} , is taken directly from data

Distributions of a_{LL} and x_g in LO-QCD and NLO-QCD

Analysing power



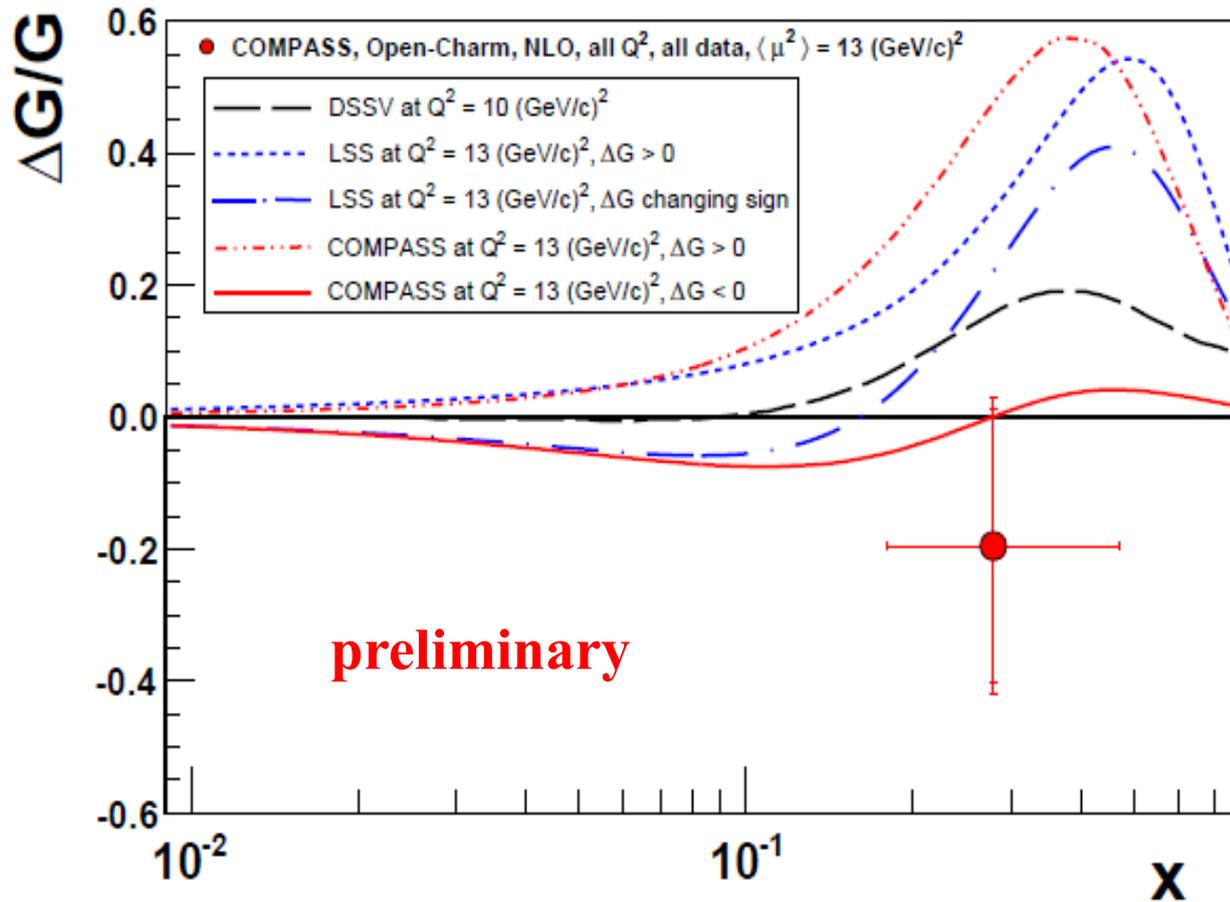
Gluon momentum fraction



Results for $A^{\gamma N}(\text{PGF})$

| Bins | | $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ samples | | | $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi\pi^0$ sample | | | $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi\pi\pi$ sample | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| $p_T(D^0)$ (GeV/c) | $E(D^0)$ (GeV) | $A^{\gamma N}$ | $a_{LL}^{\text{PGF}/D}$ | A_{corr} | $A^{\gamma N}$ | $a_{LL}^{\text{PGF}/D}$ | A_{corr} | $A^{\gamma N}$ | $a_{LL}^{\text{PGF}/D}$ | A_{corr} |
| | [0, 30[| -0.90±0.63 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.63±1.29 | -0.11 | 0.01 | 7.03±4.74 | -0.09 | 0.01 |
| [0, 0.3[| [30, 50[| -0.19±0.48 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.27±1.17 | -0.08 | 0.01 | -2.05±1.10 | -0.08 | 0.01 |
| | > 50 | 0.07±0.68 | -0.12 | 0.02 | -2.55±2.00 | -0.11 | 0.02 | 0.17±1.83 | -0.09 | 0.01 |
| | [0, 30[| -0.18±0.37 | -0.08 | 0.01 | -0.24±0.80 | -0.17 | 0.01 | -0.59±1.74 | -0.10 | 0.02 |
| [0.3,0.7[| [30, 50[| 0.10±0.26 | -0.19 | 0.02 | 0.49±0.69 | -0.23 | 0.02 | 1.00±0.54 | -0.20 | 0.02 |
| | > 50 | -0.04±0.36 | -0.22 | 0.02 | -1.28±1.03 | -0.18 | 0.02 | -1.75±0.84 | -0.21 | 0.02 |
| | [0, 30[| -0.42±0.44 | -0.26 | 0.01 | 0.55±0.95 | -0.29 | 0.02 | 2.91±2.61 | -0.19 | 0.01 |
| [0.7,1.0[| [30, 50[| -0.36±0.29 | -0.29 | 0.01 | -0.53±0.76 | -0.32 | 0.02 | 1.42±0.57 | -0.31 | 0.02 |
| | > 50 | 1.49±0.42 | -0.33 | 0.03 | -0.17±1.00 | -0.36 | 0.03 | 1.69±0.81 | -0.32 | 0.03 |
| | [0, 30[| -0.30±0.35 | -0.35 | 0.01 | 1.35±0.86 | -0.40 | 0.02 | -1.89±2.64 | -0.36 | 0.02 |
| [1.0,1.5[| [30, 50[| 0.13±0.23 | -0.40 | 0.02 | -0.11±0.51 | -0.44 | 0.03 | -0.45±0.51 | -0.41 | 0.02 |
| | > 50 | -0.20±0.33 | -0.43 | 0.03 | -0.05±0.78 | -0.42 | 0.04 | 1.06±0.66 | -0.45 | 0.03 |
| | [0, 30[| 0.38±0.49 | -0.49 | 0.02 | -0.19±1.14 | -0.52 | 0.02 | 1.64±3.52 | -0.49 | 0.03 |
| > 1.5 | [30, 50[| -0.00±0.25 | -0.53 | 0.03 | -0.23±0.51 | -0.50 | 0.04 | 0.44±0.68 | -0.54 | 0.03 |
| | > 50 | 0.36±0.33 | -0.53 | 0.04 | 0.26±0.90 | -0.49 | 0.05 | 0.08±0.63 | -0.54 | 0.05 |

$\Delta G/G$ result in NLO-QCD \rightarrow NEW

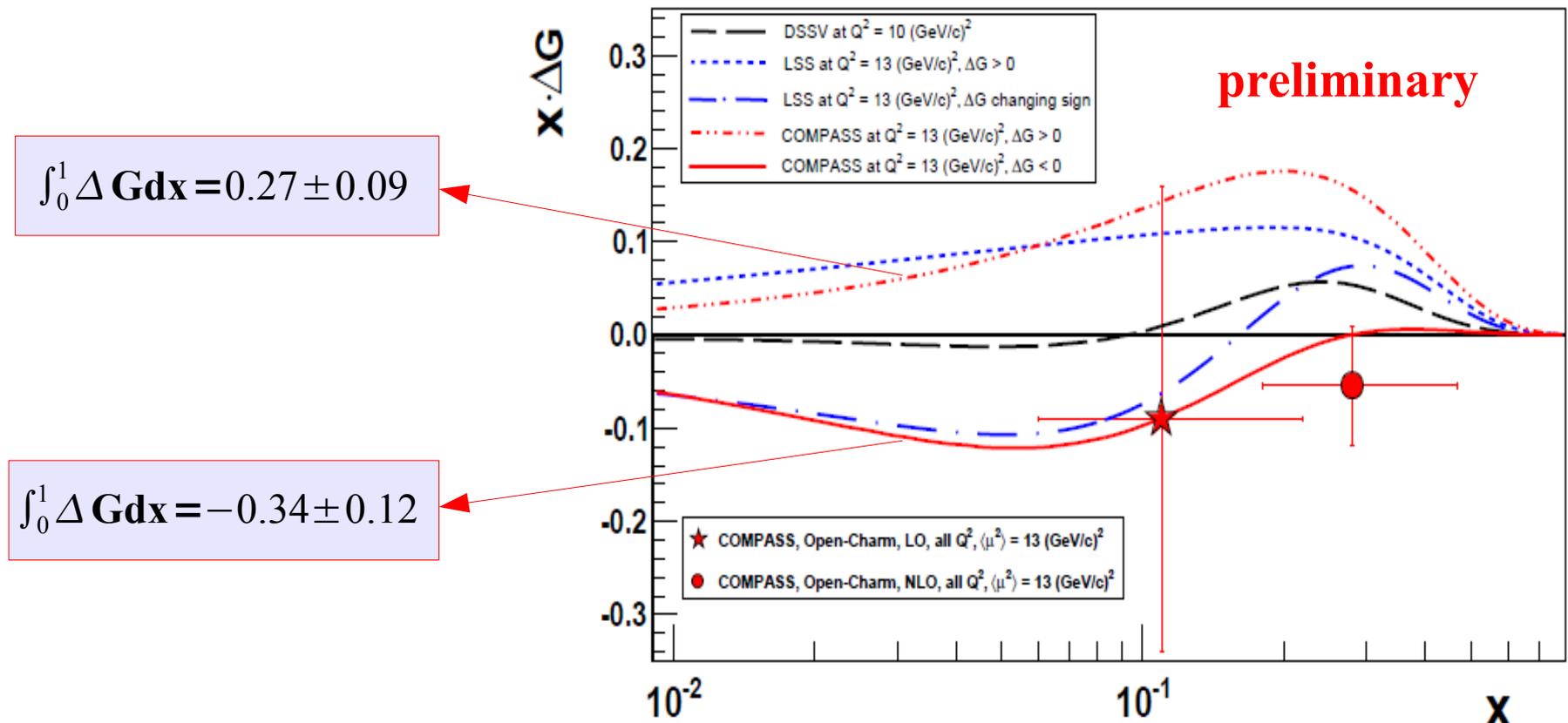


$$\frac{\Delta G}{G} = -0.20 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.08 \text{ (syst)} \quad @ \langle x_G \rangle = 0.2_{-0.10}^{+0.19}, \quad \langle \mu^2 \rangle = 13 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$$

Preliminary: theoretical uncertainties still under study (a_{LL})

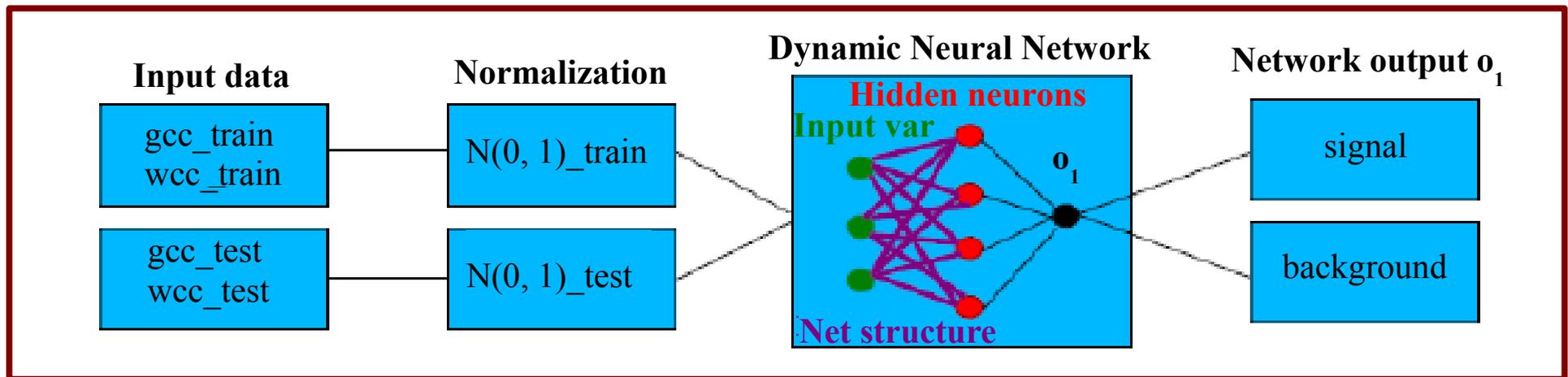
Open-Charm results for $x\Delta G$

- Using the LO and NLO parameterisations of xG corresponding to the ones used in the calculations of a_{LL} , we obtain the following results from $\Delta G/G$ (the comparison of the LO point with the QCD fits is justified by $xG(\text{LO}) \approx xG(\text{NLO})$):



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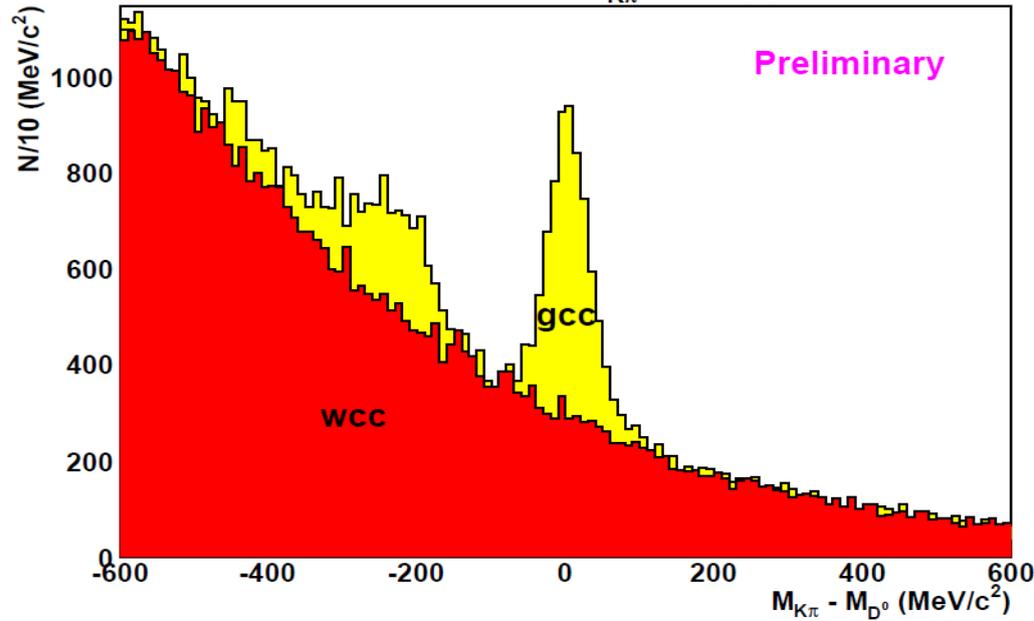
$s/(s+b)_{NN}$: Neural Network parameterisation



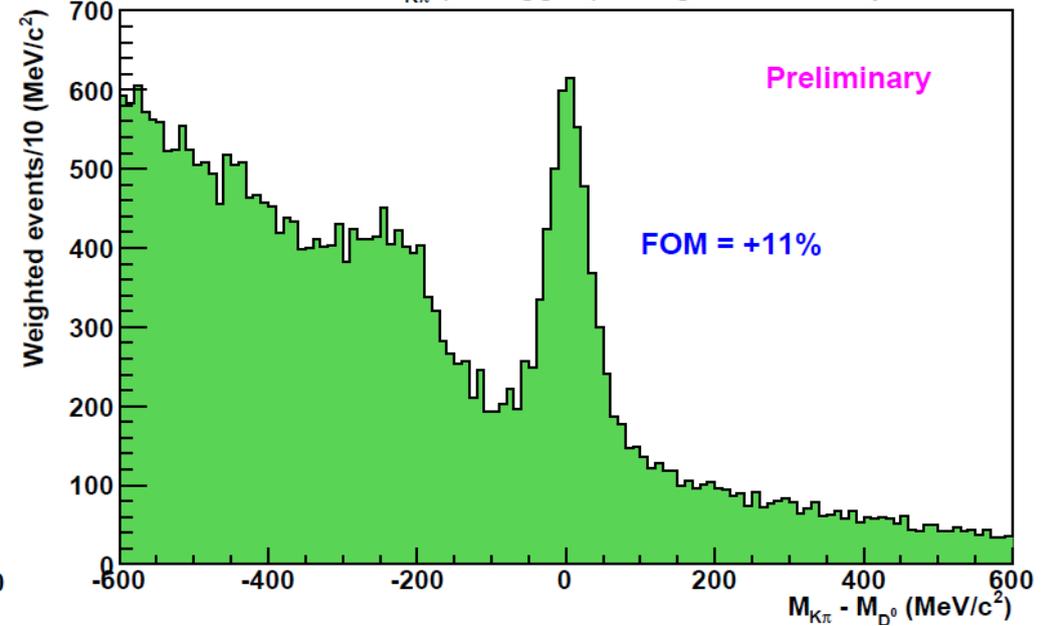
- **NN initialisation:** number of neurons + weights randomly assigned to the Net structure
- The goal is to tune the weights of each variable-neuron connection: They are iteratively adjusted to minimise the error between the expected answer (*1 for gcc and 0 for wcc*) and the neuron response (modulated by a sigmoid activation function)
- **To ensure universality, 2 data sets (*train and test*) are used:**
 - If their errors start to diverge the learning strategy is changed: **Redundant neurons are killed** (*new ones can born*) \Rightarrow Independence of precise initial conditions!
- **D^0 probabilities are computed, for every gcc event, using the resulting multidimensional parameterisation (*NN structure*):** $f(o_1) = s/(s+b)_{NN}$

S/(S+B) parameterisation: FOM improvement (*main channels*)

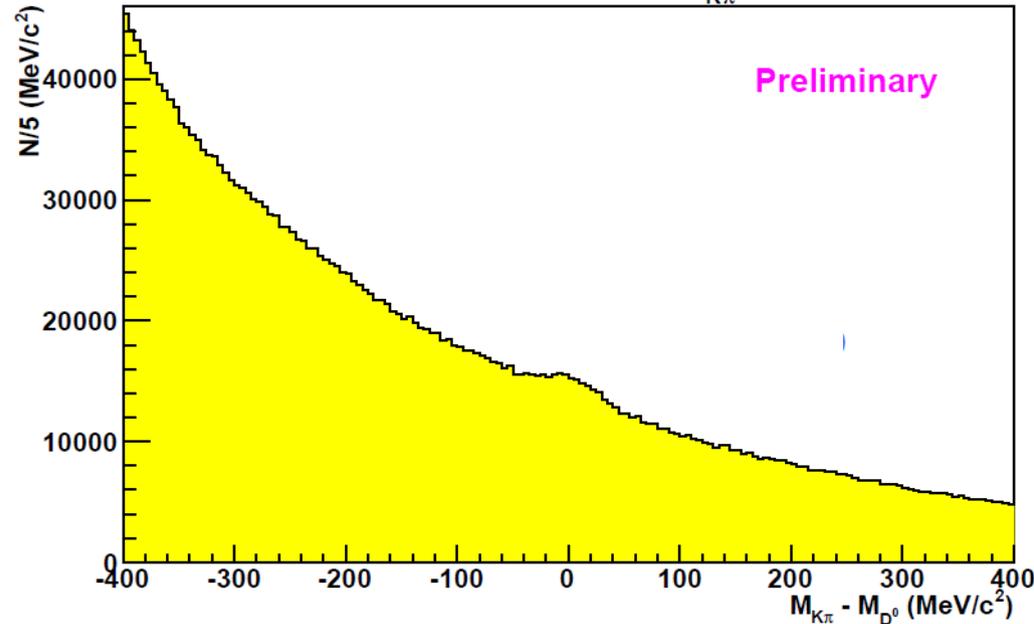
COMPASS 2007 $D_{K\pi}^0$ (D^* tagged)



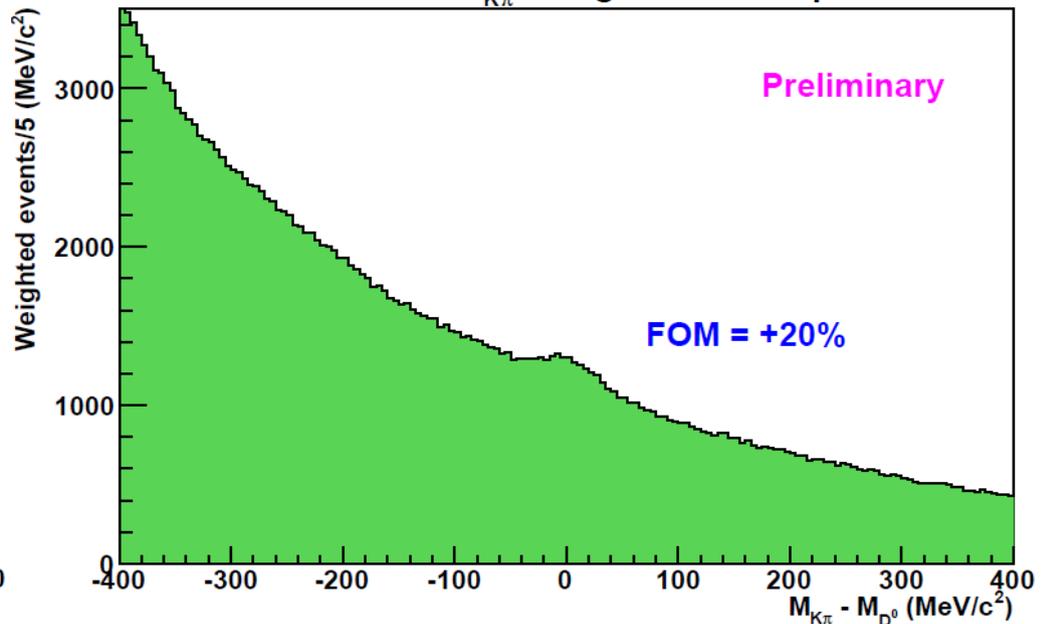
COMPASS 2007 $D_{K\pi}^0$ (D^* tagged): Weighted Mass Spectrum



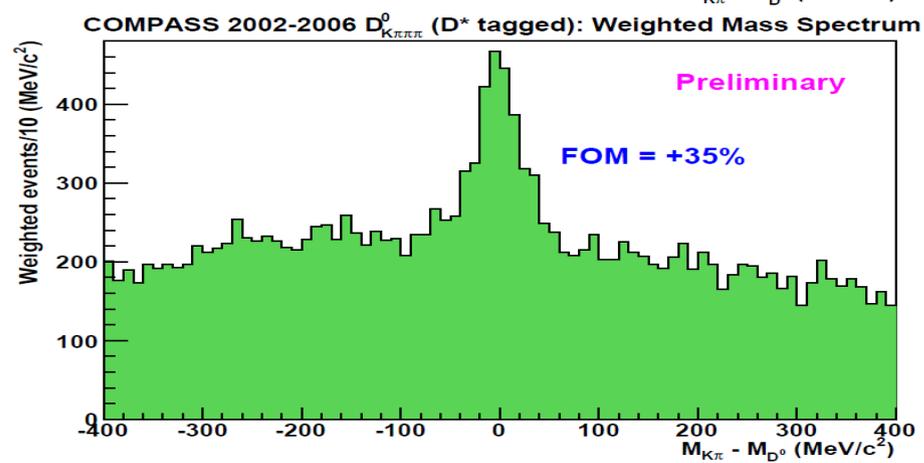
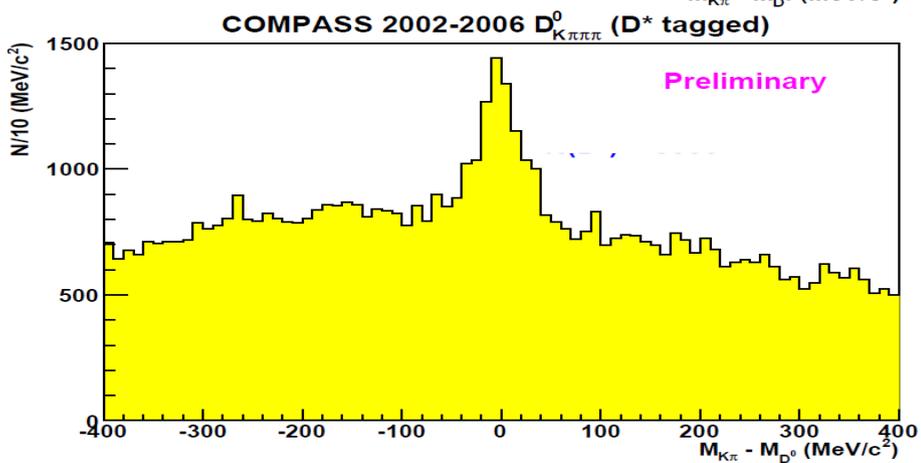
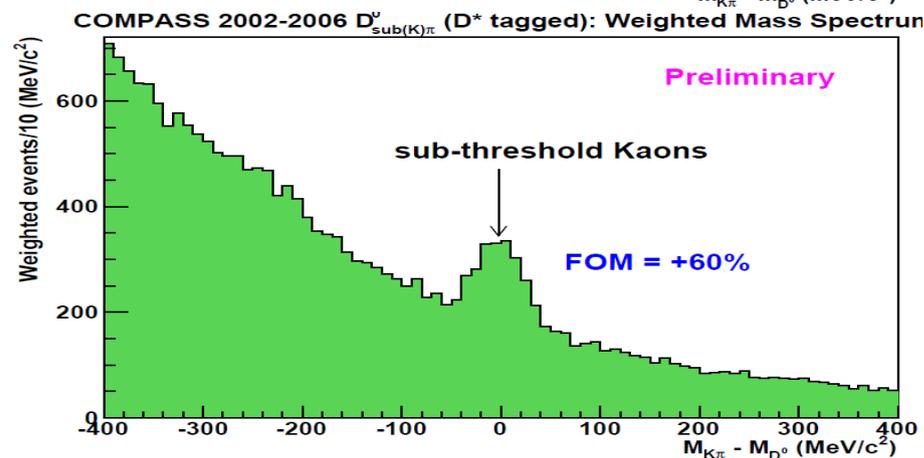
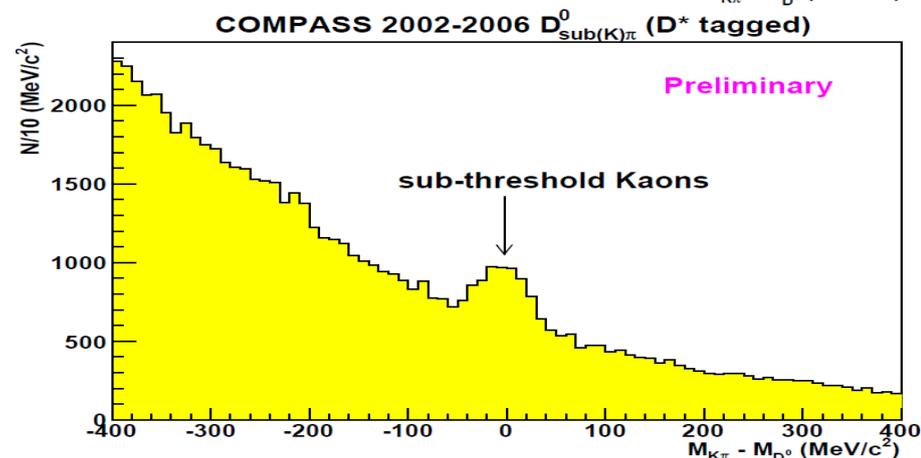
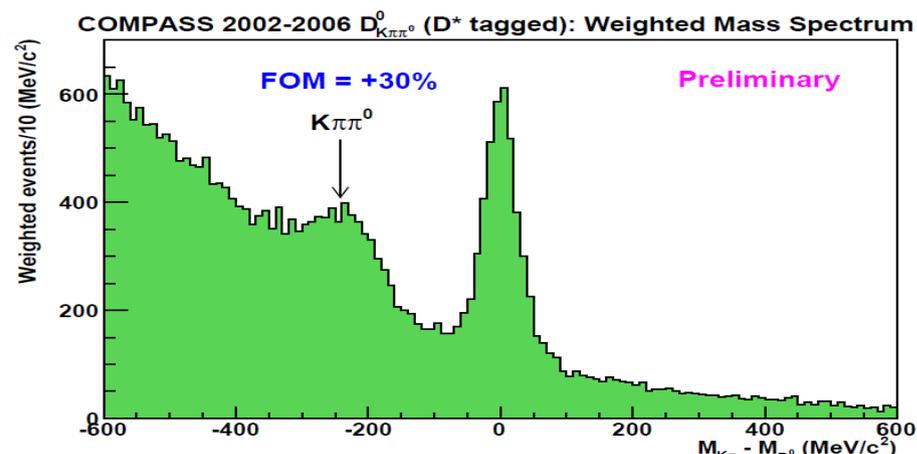
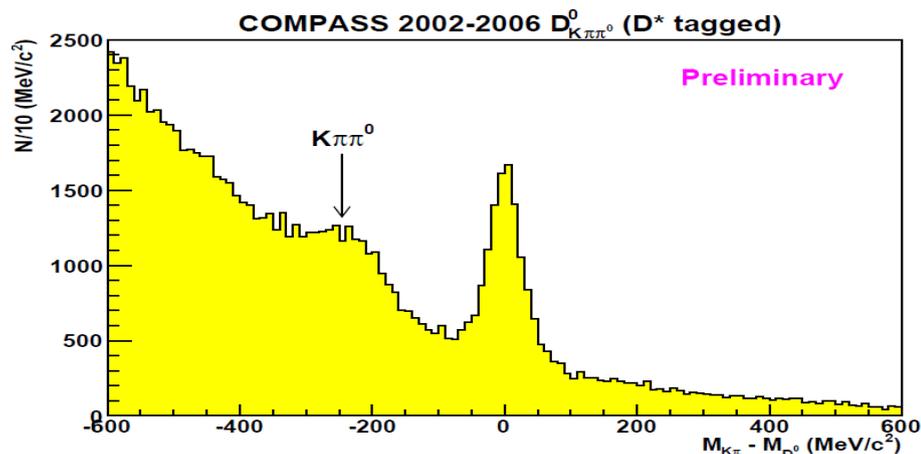
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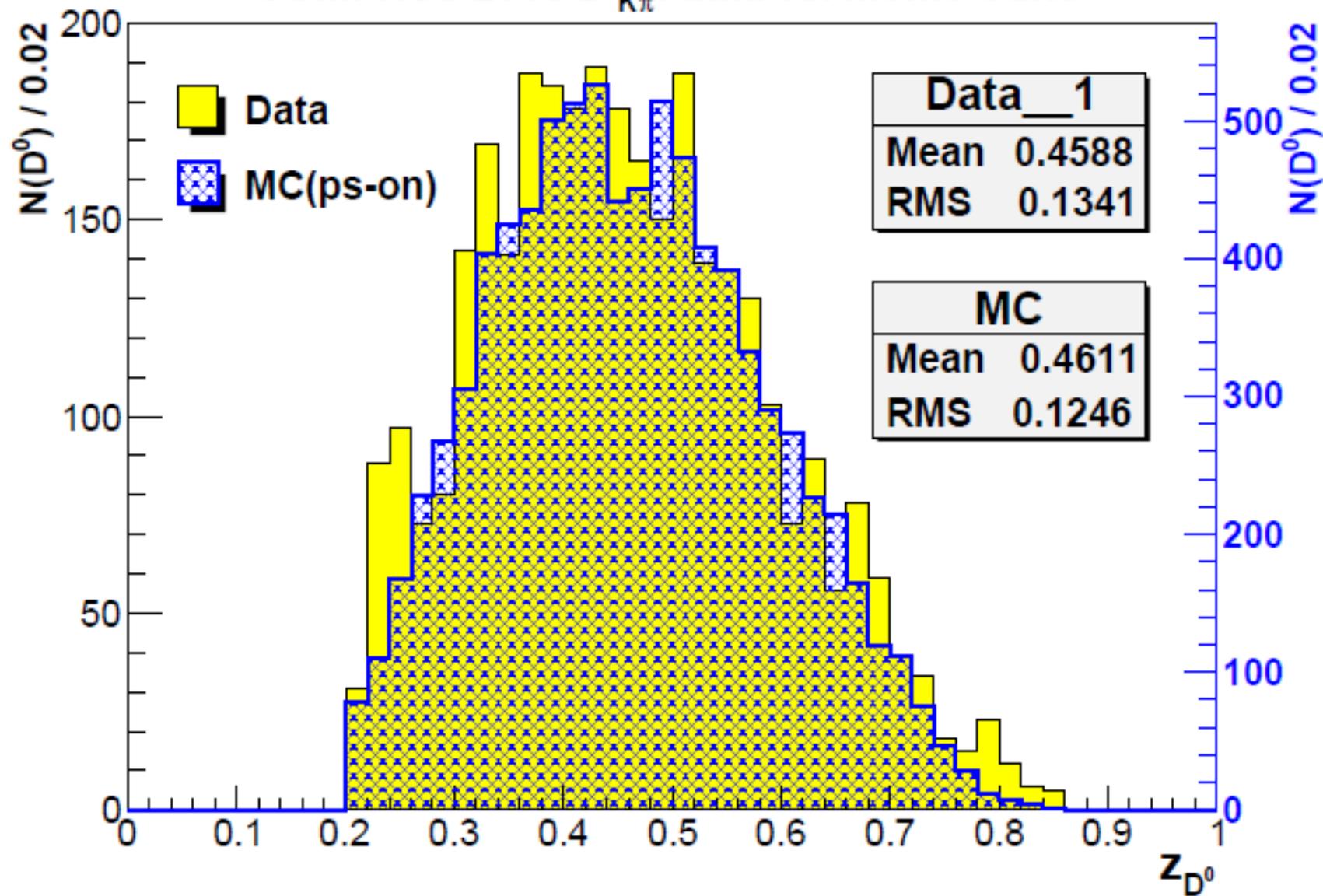
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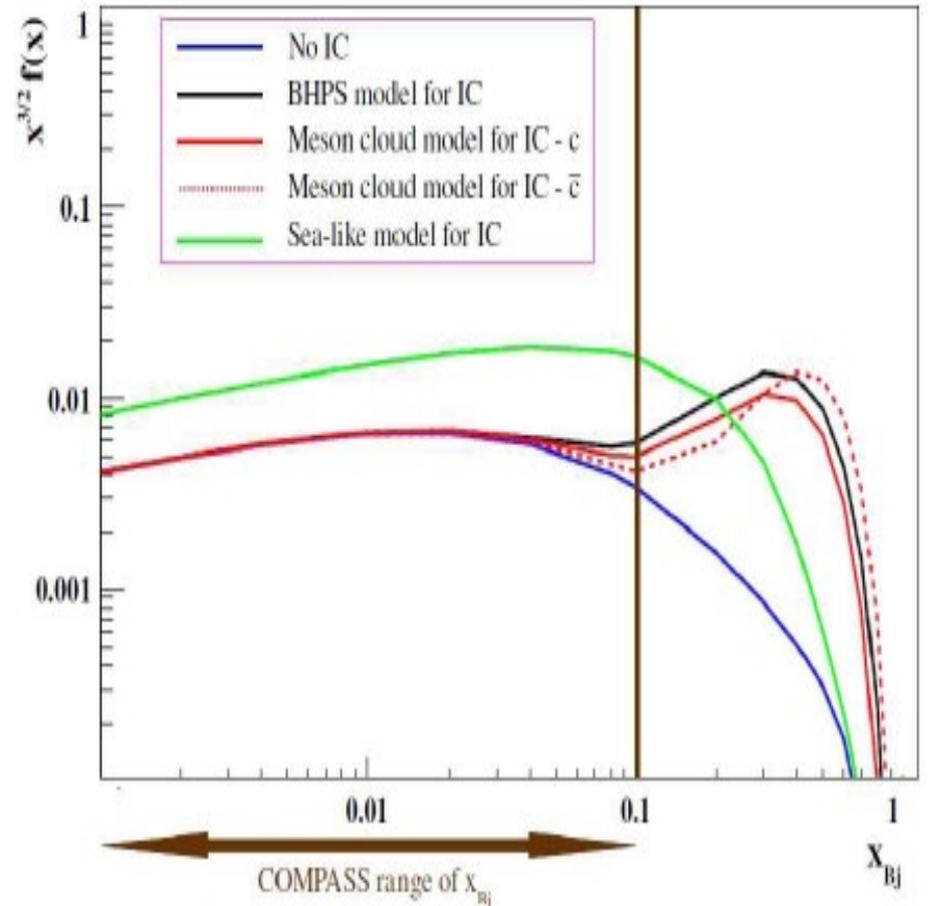
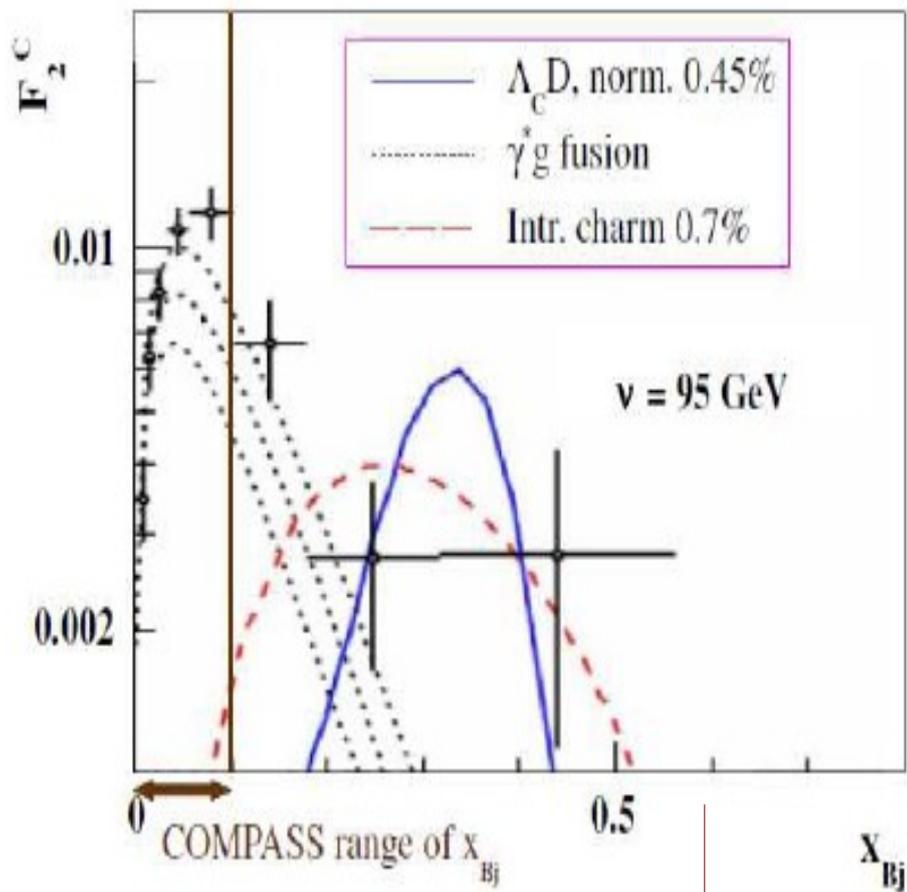


S/(S+B) parameterisation: FOM improvement (*low purity channels*)



COMPASS 2006 $D_{K\pi}^*$: data vs. Monte Carlo





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