Partial-Wave Analysis of Centrally Produced Two-Pseudoscalar Final States in *pp* Reactions at COMPASS

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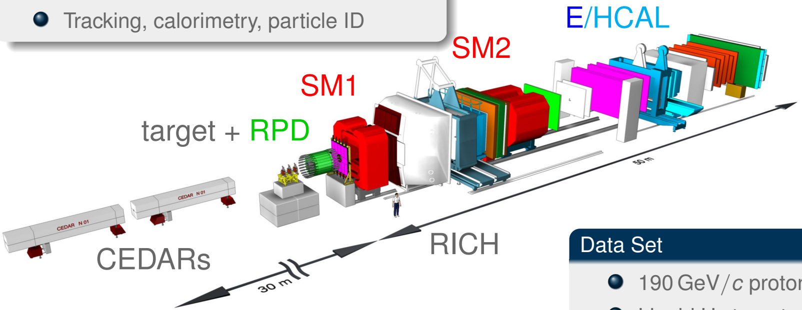
Outline

The COMPASS Experiment

Multi-Purpose Setup

- Fixed-target experiment @ CERN SPS
- Two-stage magnetic spectrometer
- Broad kinematic range
- Tracking, calorimetry, particle ID



Data Set

- 190 GeV/c proton beam
- Liquid H_2 target
- Trigger on recoil proton

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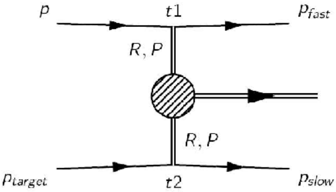

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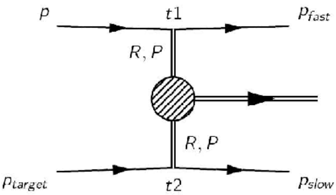

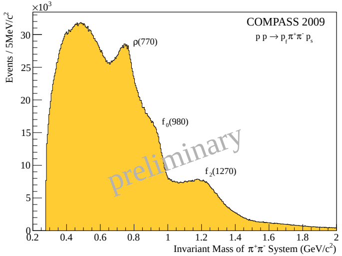

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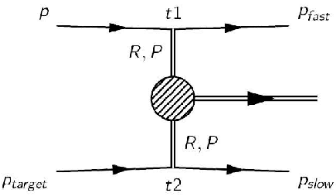

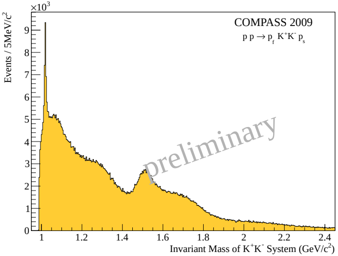

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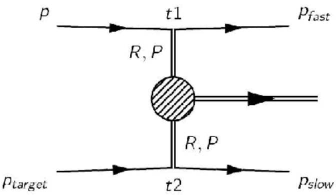

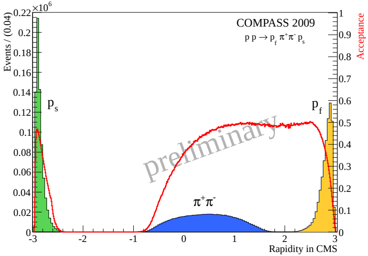

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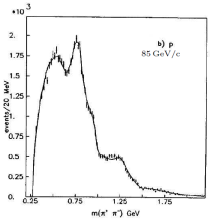
- Rapidity gap between p_s and the central system X introduced by the principal trigger

$\sqrt{s}$-Dependence

T.A. Armstrong et al. [Z. Phys. C51 (1991)]



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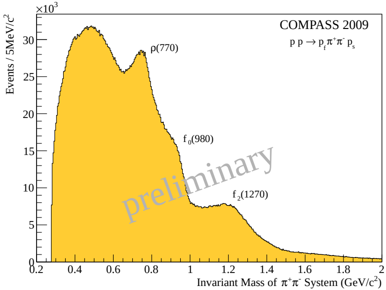

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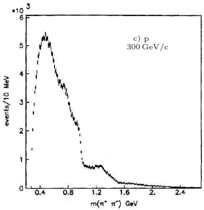
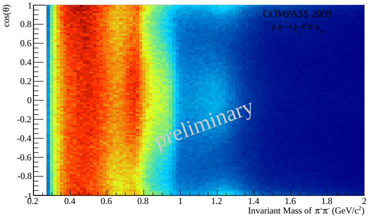


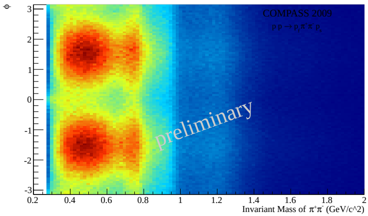
$\sqrt{s} = 23.7\,\mathrm{GeV}/c^2$

- Production of $\rho(770)$ disappears rapidly with increasing $\sqrt{s}$
- Low-mass enhancement and $f_0(980)$ remain practically unchanged
  $\rightarrow$ characteristic for s-independent Pomeron-Pomeron scattering
- Kinematic selection cannot single out pure DPE sample

Two-Body Partial-Wave Analysis in Mass Bins

Partial-Wave Analysis





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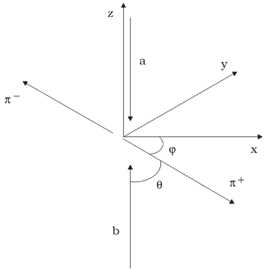

Partial-Wave Analysis

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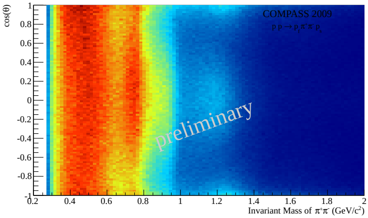

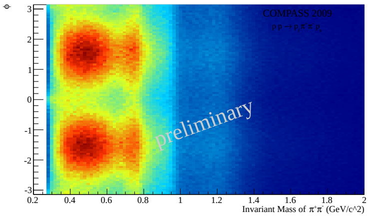

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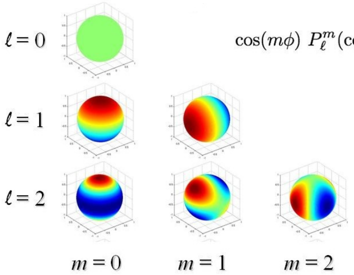


$\cos(m\phi)\ P_\ell^m(\cos\theta)$

Partial-Wave Decomposition

Expand intensity $I(\theta, \phi)$ in terms of partial-waves for narrow mass bins:

$$I(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{\varepsilon} \left| \sum_{\ell m} T_{\varepsilon \ell m} Y_m^{\varepsilon \ell}(\theta, \phi) \right|^2$$

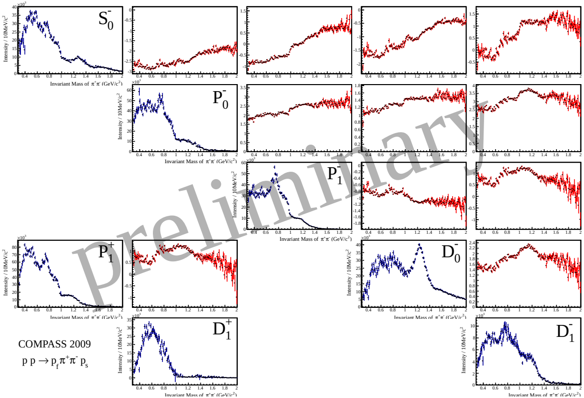
- Complex transition amplitudes $T_{\varepsilon \ell m}$, no assuption on mass-dependence
- Spectroscopic notation: ℓ_m^{ϵ}
- Significant contributions only from $\ell = S, P, D$, $m \leq 1$

⇒ Maximum Likelihood Fit in Mass Bins

$$\ln L = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \ln I(\theta_i, \phi_i) - \int d\Omega \, I(\theta, \phi) \, \eta(\theta, \phi)$$

- the normalisation integral is evaluated by a phase-space Monte Carlo sample

Ambiguities in the $\pi^+\pi^-$ System



- 8 mathematically ambiguous solutions result in the same angular distribution
- Analytical computation via method of Barrelet Zeros

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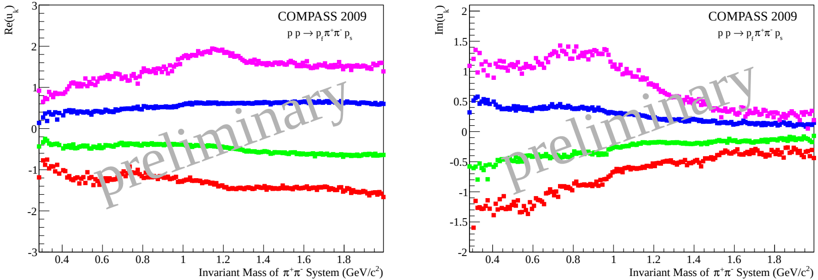


- Real (left) and imaginary (right) part of polynomial roots
- Well separated, imaginary parts do not cross the real axis

⇒ Solutions can be uniquely identified and linked from mass bin to mass bin

Ambiguities in the $\pi\pi$ Systems

$\pi^+\pi^-$ System

- 8 different solutions can be calculated analytically
- Differentiation requires additional input (e.g. behaviour at threshold, physics content)

$\pi^0\pi^0$ System

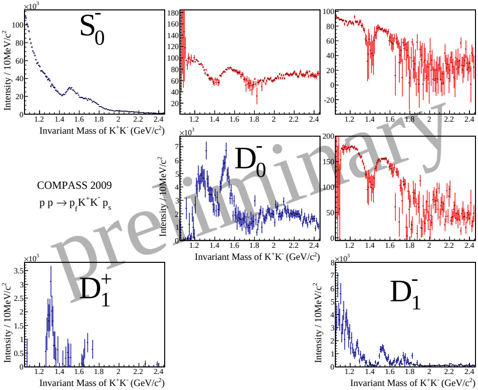
- Identical particles, only even waves allowed
- Reduces number of ambiguities to 2

Combination of $\pi\pi$ Systems

- Consistent picture of the reaction, measured with different parts of experimental setup
- Interpretation with mass dependent parametrisation under way!

Mass-Dependent Parametrisation of K^+K^--System

Fit to the K^+K^- System



- Similar partial-wave analysis of K^+K^--system
- Odd waves do not play a significant role above the $\phi(1020)$-mass
  $\Rightarrow$ Reduction of ambiguities

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In total: 27 parameters
(to fit 438 points)

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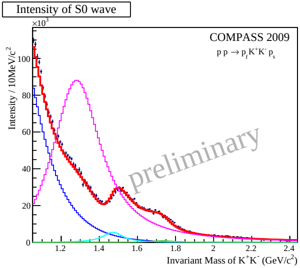

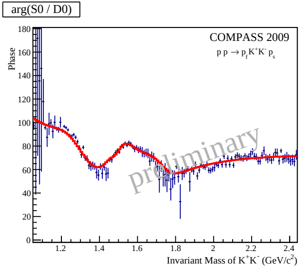

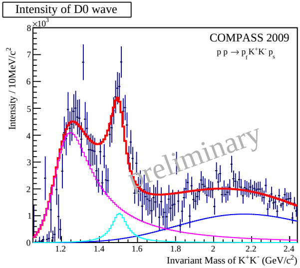

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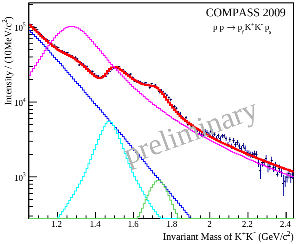

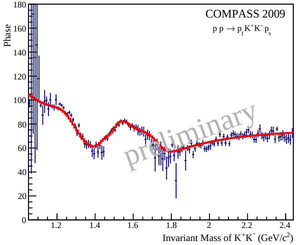

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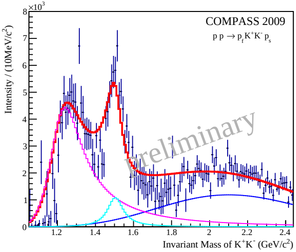

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Thank you for your attention!

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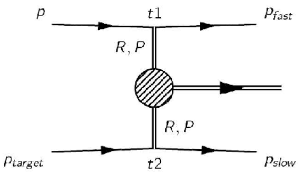

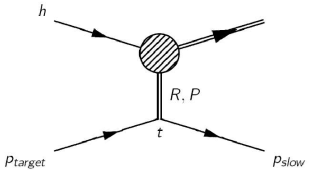

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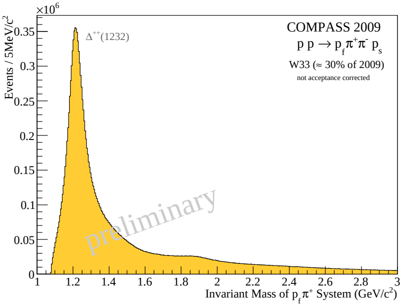

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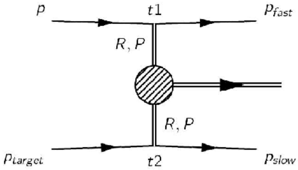

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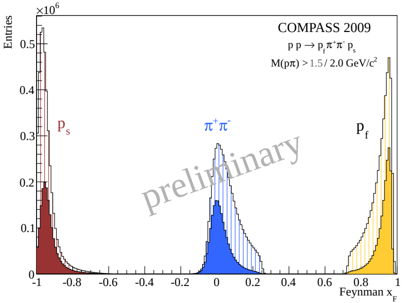

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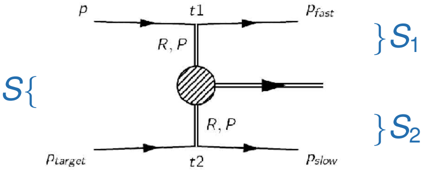

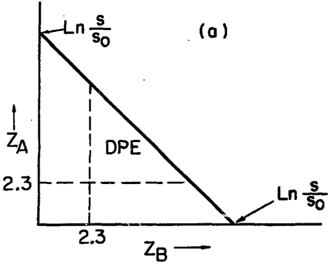

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- $Z_{A,B} > 2.3$

- $Z_A = \ln \frac{s}{s_1}$
- $Z_B = \ln \frac{s}{s_2}$

D.M. Chew, [Nucl. Phys. B 82 (1974)]

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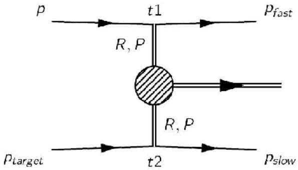

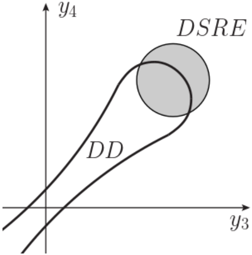

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- $|y(\pi)| < 1$

- DD: double diffraction (= central production)
- DSRE: diffractive single resonance excitation

P. Lebiedowicz and A. Szczurek, [Phys. Rev. D 81 (2010)]

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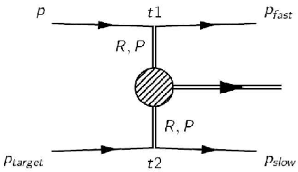

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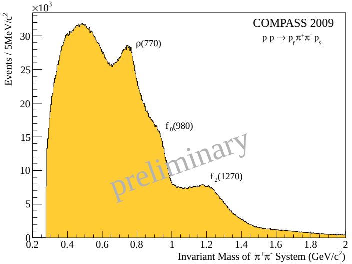
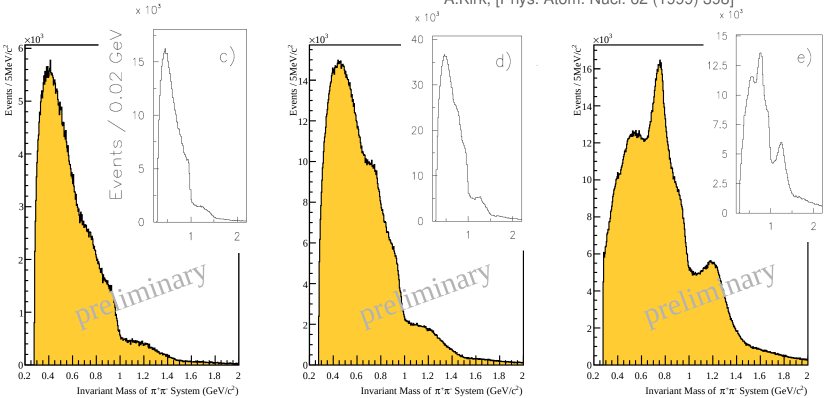


Large overlap of the cuts, weak dependence of the results (CEP sample by all definitions, but not pure DPE!)

Glueball Filter

A.Kirk, [Phys. Atom. Nucl. 62 (1999) 398]



$dP_T \leq 0.2\,\text{GeV}/c$ $\quad$ $0.2 \leq dP_T < 0.5\,\text{GeV}/c$ $\quad$ $dP_T \geq 0.5\,\text{GeV}/c$

- $dP_T = |\vec{p}_{T_1} - \vec{p}_{T_2}|$ in *pp* centre-of-mass
- Only scalar signals remain for small *dPt*

Maximum Likelihood Fit in Mass Bins

Maximise likelihood function

$$\ln L = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \ln I(\theta_i, \phi_i) - \int d\Omega\, I(\theta, \phi)\, \eta(\theta, \phi)$$

- by choosing $T_{\varepsilon\ell m}$ such that the intensity fits the observed N events
- the normalisation integral is evaluated by a phase-space Monte Carlo sample
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Barrelet Zeros

- Through variable transformation $u = \tan(\theta/2)$, angular distribution for this wave set can be written as a function of $|G(u)|^2$ with
  $G(u) = a_4 u^4 - a_3 u^3 + a_2 u^2 - a_1 u + a_0$
  where coefficients a_i are functions of amplitudes
- or with in terms of 4 complex roots u_i (*'Barrelet zeros'*)
  $G(u) = a_4 (u - u_1)(u - u_2)(u - u_3)(u - u_4)$
- *Laguerre's method* to find polynomial roots numerically
- Complex conjugation of one/more of these roots result in the same measured angular distribution
  $\rightarrow$ **8 different ambiguous solutions** (same likelihood per definition!)

Techniques of amplitude analysis for two-pseudoscalar systems
S.U. Chung, [Phys. Rev. D 56 (1997), 7299]

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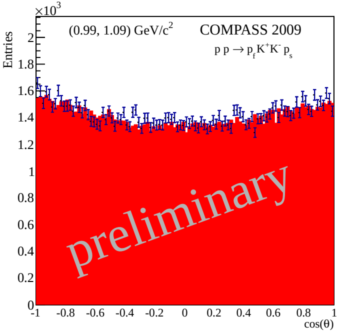

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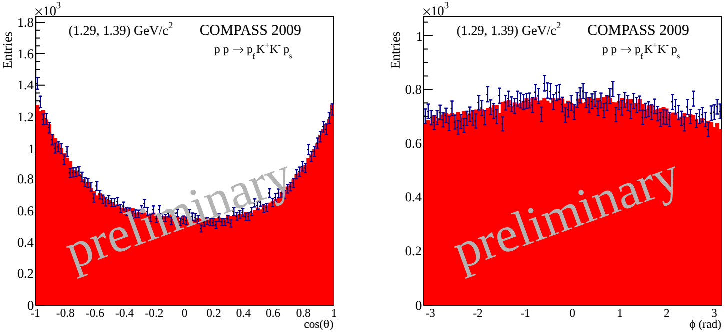

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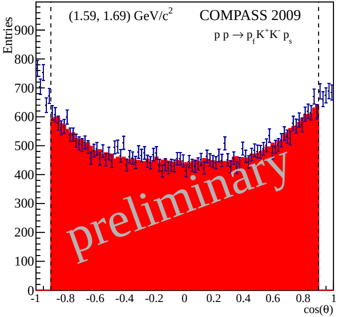

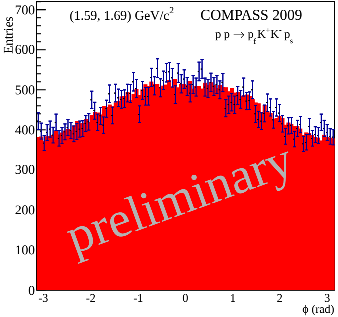

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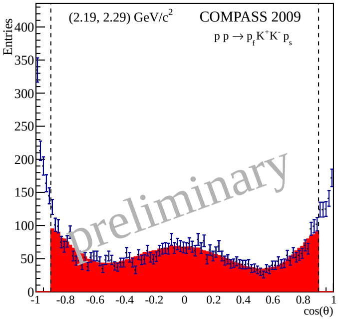

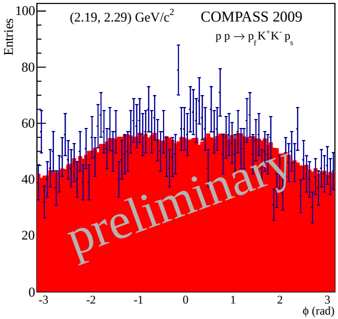

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- Peaking distribution for $|cos(\theta)| > 0.9$ for masses above $2\,\mathrm{GeV}/c^2$ cannot be described by fit (limited wave set)
- Signature of diffractive dissociation background