

Measurement of the Radiative Widths of $a_2(1320)$ and $\pi_2(1670)$ at COMPASS

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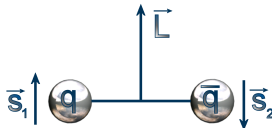
Radiative Decays of Mesons $X \rightarrow \pi\gamma$

Investigation of internal structure

- Quark Models:**

$q\bar{q}$ systems with J^{PC} composed of s_1, s_2, L

$X \rightarrow \pi\gamma \Leftrightarrow$ Electromagnetic transition probabilities

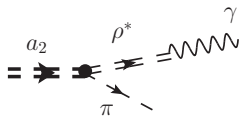


E1	$\Delta J = 1, \Delta P \neq 0$	e.g. $J^{PC} = 1^{++} \rightarrow 0^{-+}$
E2	$\Delta J = 2, \Delta P = 0$	e.g. $J^{PC} = 2^{-+} \rightarrow 0^{-+}$ ($\pi_2(1670) \rightarrow \pi$)
M1	$\Delta J = 1, \Delta P = 0$	
M2	$\Delta J = 2, \Delta P \neq 0$	e.g. $J^{PC} = 2^{++} \rightarrow 0^{-+}$ ($a_2(1320) \rightarrow \pi$)

- Vector Meson Dominance Model:**

ρ, ω, ϕ have same $J^{PC} = 1^{--}$ like photons

Decay channel $X \rightarrow \rho\pi \leftrightarrow X \rightarrow \pi\gamma$





Theory:

- $\Gamma(a_2(1320) \rightarrow \pi\gamma)$:
 - Vector Meson Dominance Model: 348 keV
 - Relativistic quark model: 324 keV
 - Covariant oscillator quark model: 235 keV
- $\Gamma(\pi_2(1670) \rightarrow \pi\gamma)$:
 - Covariant oscillator quark model: 119 keV

Measurements:

- $a_2(1320)$:
 - (May et al. : $\Gamma(a_2(1320)^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm\gamma) = 460 \pm 110$ keV)
 - E272 : $\Gamma(a_2(1320)^- \rightarrow \pi^-\gamma) = 295 \pm 60$ keV
 - SELEX : $\Gamma(a_2(1320)^- \rightarrow \pi^-\gamma) = 284 \pm 25 \pm 25$ keV
- $\pi_2(1670)$: radiative width **not published yet**

Measurement Technique:

- $\pi\gamma$ decays difficult to access experimentally
 → $\pi\gamma$ **scattering** in **Primakoff** production



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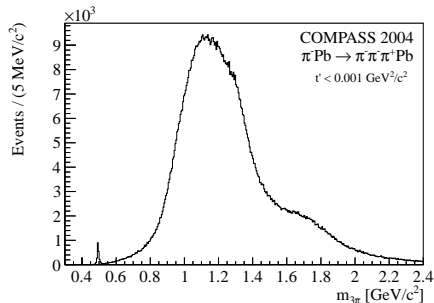
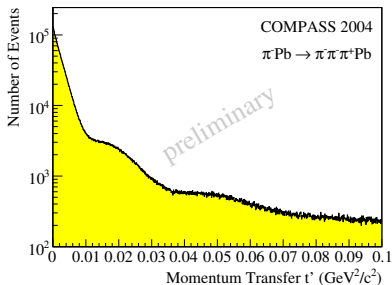
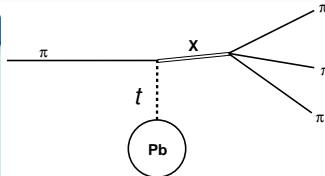


$\pi^- \text{Pb} \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- \pi^+ \text{Pb}$ Data

Pilot Hadron Run 2004

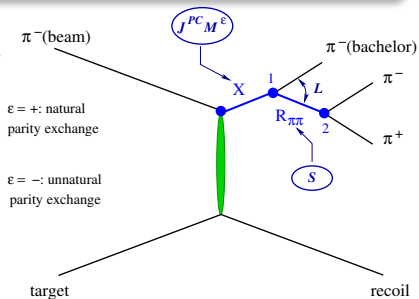
- 190 GeV π^- beam on Pb target
- Trigger: Multiplicity trigger
- $\approx 4\,000\,000$ exclusive 3π events
- $\approx 1\,000\,000$ with

$$t' = |t| - |t|_{\min} < 10^{-3} (\text{GeV}/c)^2$$





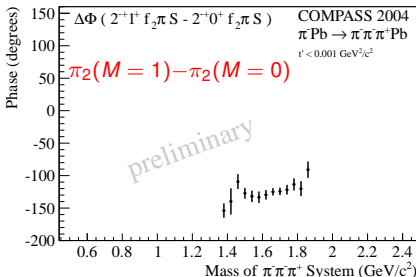
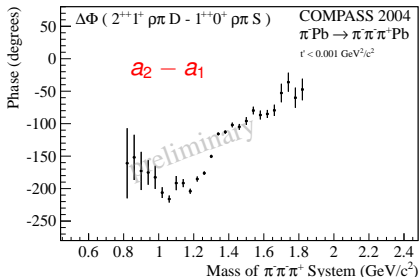
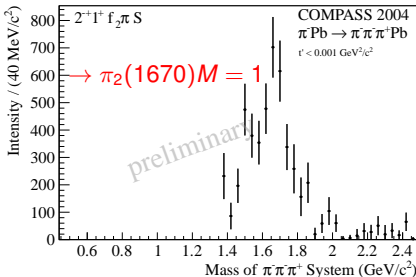
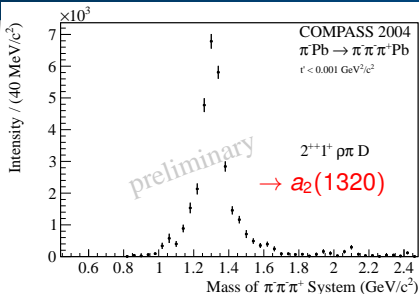
- Isobar model: Intermediate 2-particle decays
- Partial wave in reflectivity basis:
 $J^{PC} M^{\epsilon} [\text{isobar}] L$
- PWA in mass bins ($40 \text{ MeV}/c^2$)
Fit of angular dependence of partial waves, interferences



- **Diffraction** dissociation (**Pomeron** exchange)
 $\sigma \propto t'^{|M|} \exp(-bt')$
 \rightarrow only $M = 0$ at very low t'
- **Primakoff** (**photon** exchange)
quasi-real $\gamma \rightarrow M = 1$



PWA in mass bins ($t' < 0.001$ (GeV/c)²)





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- **Primakoff production** of a broad resonance X from pion beam:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dMdt'} = 16\alpha Z^2 (2J + 1) \left(\frac{M}{M^2 - m_\pi^2} \right)^3 \frac{m_0^2 \overbrace{\text{dyn}_{\pi\gamma}(m) \cdot \Gamma_0(X \rightarrow \pi\gamma)}^{\Gamma_{\pi\gamma}(m)} \Gamma_{\text{final}}(m)}{(M^2 - m_0^2)^2 + m_0^2 \Gamma_{\text{total}}(m)^2} \frac{t' \cdot |F(t')|^2}{(t' + t_{\text{min}})^2}$$

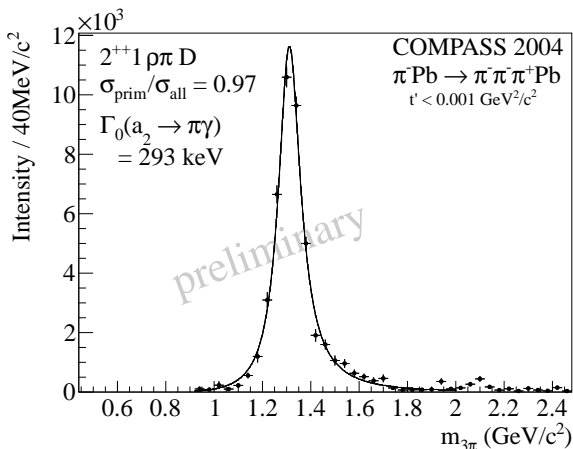
- Radiative width and the absolute cross-section $\sigma_{\text{Primakoff}}$:

$$\sigma_{\text{Primakoff}} = \int_{m_1}^{m_2} \int_{t'_1=0}^{t'_2} \frac{d\sigma}{dMdt'} dt' dM = \Gamma_0(X \rightarrow \pi\gamma) \cdot C$$

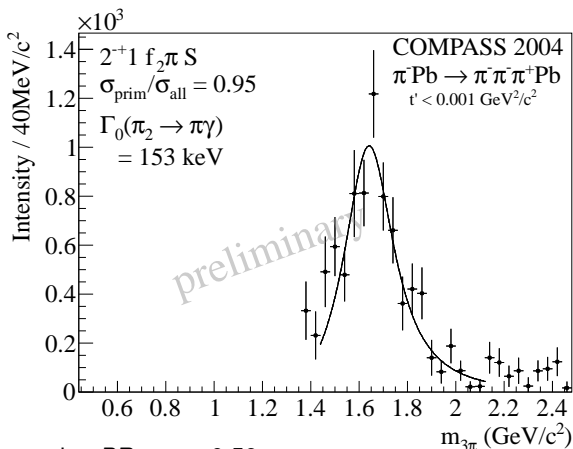
- Radiative width from the experimentally observed intensity N_X

$$\Gamma_0(X \rightarrow \pi\gamma) \propto \frac{N_X/\epsilon}{C \cdot L}$$

- N_X/ϵ from Breit-Wigner fit to the acceptance-corrected PWA intensity
- Calculation of C for specific resonance
- **Luminosity L** from the decays of beam $K^- \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- \pi^+$

 $a_2(1320)$ 

$$\Gamma_0(a_2(1320) \rightarrow \pi\gamma) = (293 \pm 5_{\text{stat}} \pm 26_{\text{syst}}) \text{ keV}$$

 $\pi_2(1670)$ 

using $BR_{\text{model}} = 0.56$:

$$\Gamma_0(\pi_2(1670) \rightarrow \pi\gamma) = (153 \pm 10_{\text{stat}} \pm 21_{\text{syst}}) \text{ keV} \cdot BR_{\text{model}} / BR_{\text{true}}$$



Measurement of radiative widths at COMPASS

- Reliable extraction of the intensities by PWA
- $a_2(1320)$ (M2 transition) compatible with results from previous experiments

$$\Gamma_0(a_2(1320) \rightarrow \pi\gamma) = (293 \pm 5_{\text{stat}} \pm 26_{\text{syst}}) \text{ keV}$$

- First number for $\pi_2(1670)$ (E2 transition) available

$$\Gamma_0(\pi_2(1670) \rightarrow \pi\gamma) = (153 \pm 10_{\text{stat}} \pm 21_{\text{syst}}) \text{ keV} \cdot BR_{\text{model}} / BR_{\text{true}}$$



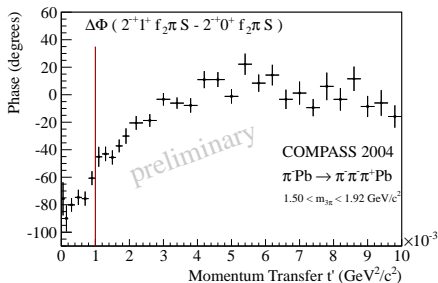
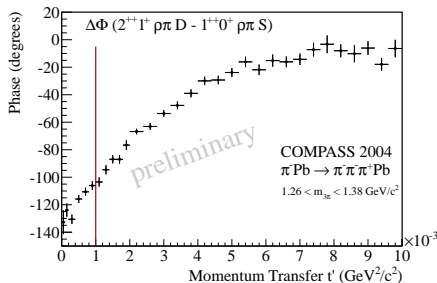
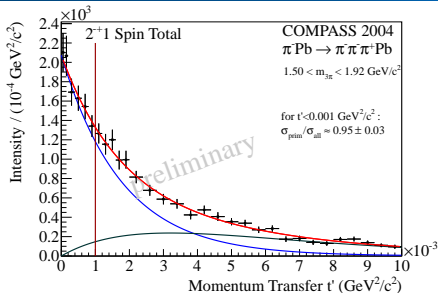
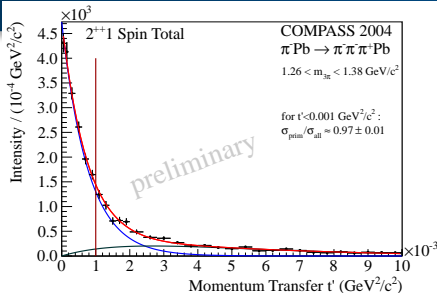
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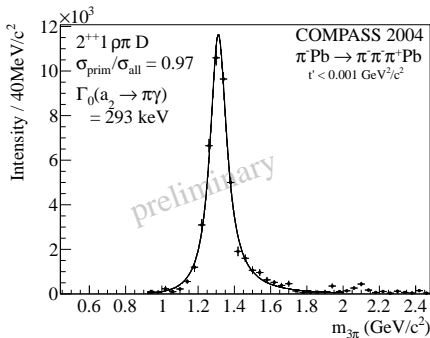


Estimation of uncertainties

	$a_2(1320)$	$\pi_2(1670)$
Statistical	1.8%	6.25%
Systematic		
diff. background	1%	3%
kaon normalization	6%	6%
PWA models	5%	7.7%
BW fits (mass-dep. Parametr.)	3.7%	8.9%
quadr. added	8.7%	3.5%

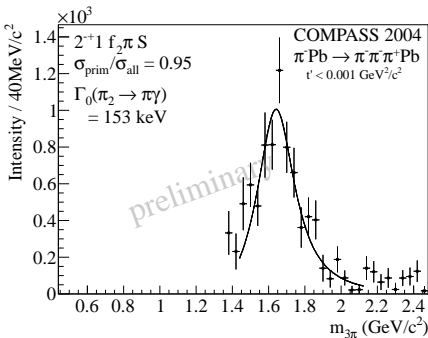
- $\Gamma_0(a_2(1320) \rightarrow \pi\gamma) = (293 \pm 5 \pm 26) \text{ keV}$
- $\Gamma_0(\pi_2(1670) \rightarrow \pi\gamma) = (153 \pm 10 \pm 21) \text{ keV} \cdot BR/BR_{real}$

From PWA in t' bins ($\Delta m_{3\pi}$ around m_0)



- $\Gamma(\text{all})$ from $a_2 \rightarrow \rho\pi$ and $a_2 \rightarrow \eta\pi$
 - $\rho\pi$ described by $\int |\psi|^2 d\tau$
 - $\eta\pi$ described by F_L terms (sharp η)
- $\omega\pi\pi$ and $K\bar{K}$ decays omitted
- Using $C_{\text{COMPASS}, a_2} \approx 2759$,
 $\epsilon_{\text{resol}} = 0.74$, $BR = 0.7$, $CG = 0.5$

$$\Gamma_0(a_2(1320) \rightarrow \pi\gamma) = 293 \pm 5_{\text{stat}} \pm 26_{\text{syst}} \text{ keV}$$



- Situation for $\Gamma(\text{all})$ more difficult:

$$\pi_2(1670) \rightarrow 3\pi \approx 0.96$$

$$3\pi = \{f_2\pi, \rho\pi, \sigma\pi, (\pi\pi)_S\pi\}$$

but: interference! charged and neutral??

- For the moment: just $f_2\pi$ decay, also for $\Gamma(\text{all})$

$$f_2\pi \text{ described by } \int |\psi|^2 d\tau$$

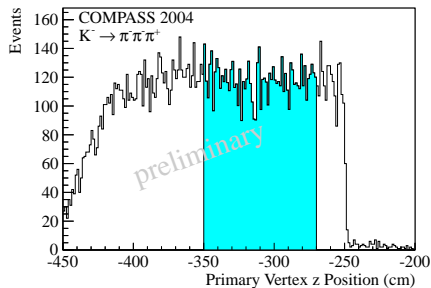
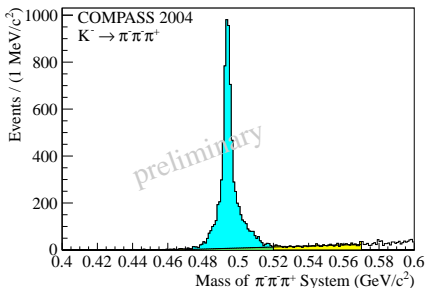
- Using $C_{\text{COMPASS}, \pi_2} \approx 759$,
 $\epsilon_{\text{resol}} = 0.732$, $BR = 0.56$, $CG = 2/3$

$$\Gamma_0(\pi_2(1670) \rightarrow \pi\gamma) = (153 \pm 10_{\text{stat}} \pm 21_{\text{syst}} \text{ keV}) \cdot BR/BR_{\text{real}}$$



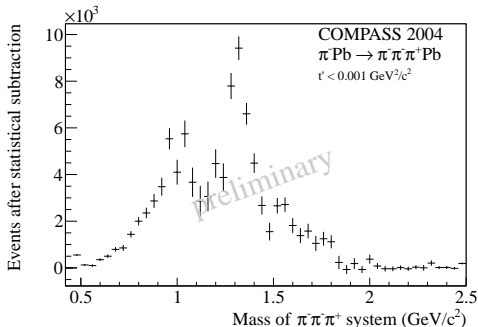
$$\text{Number of reactions (events)} = \epsilon_{\text{bin}} \cdot \int \mathcal{L} dt \cdot \sigma_{\text{abs}}$$

COMPASS π^- beam features K^- component
 \rightarrow beam flux from $K^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-$ decays





- Statistical subtraction for 40 MeV/ c^2 mass bins
- Integrate remaining spectra for $t' < 10^{-3}$ (GeV/ c)²
→ nb. of events / mass bin



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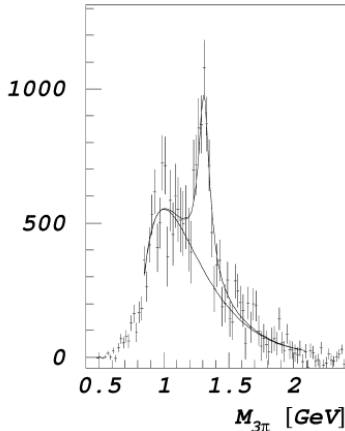


Fig. 3. $M_{3\pi}$ mass distribution for the Cu target after subtraction of diffractive background. The curve shows fit with a sum of pure Coulomb contribution and smooth background.



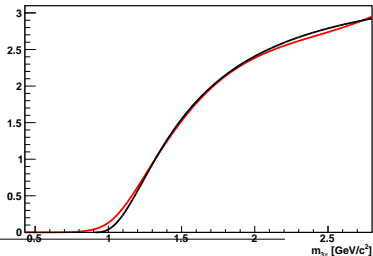
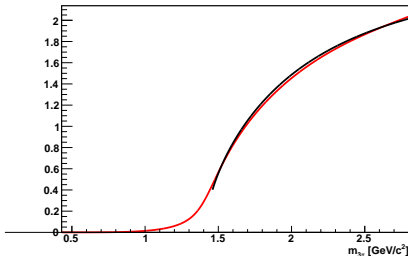
Breit-Wigner fits to the total intensities

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dM} = 16\alpha Z^2 (2J+1) \left(\frac{M}{M^2 - m_\pi^2} \right)^3 \frac{m_0^2 \Gamma(\pi\gamma) \Gamma(\text{final})}{(M^2 - m_0^2)^2 + m_0^2 \Gamma(\text{all})^2}$$

with $\Gamma(\pi\gamma) = \text{dyn}(\pi\gamma) \cdot \Gamma_0(X \rightarrow \pi\gamma)$, $\Gamma(\text{final}) = \text{dyn}(\pi\{\text{isob}\}) \cdot \Gamma_0(X \rightarrow \pi\{\text{isob}\})$

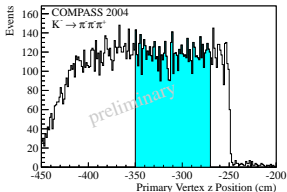
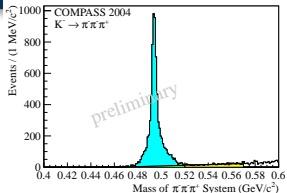
$$\Gamma(\text{all}) = \sum_n \Gamma_{0n} c_n \text{dyn}(n) \quad \text{with} \quad \Gamma_{0n} = \Gamma_n(m_0)$$

$$\text{dyn}() = \frac{k}{k_0} \frac{m_0}{m} \frac{F_L^2(k)}{F_L^2(k_0)} \quad \text{or (incl. widths)} \quad \text{dyn}() = \frac{m_0}{m} \int |\psi_{\pi\{\text{isob}\}}|_L|^2 d\tau$$

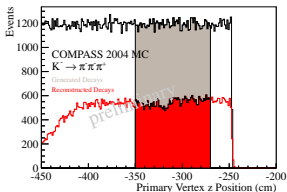
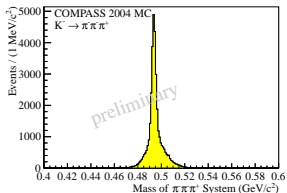
Phase space of $a_2 \rightarrow \rho\pi$ Phase space of $\pi_2 \rightarrow f_2\pi$ 



BACKUP: Beam K^- decays from data and MC



- $N(K^-) = 7730$ in 80 cm window around target
- $\mathcal{L} = 9,55 \cdot 10^4$ events/mb (measured)



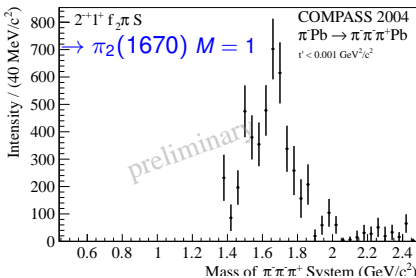
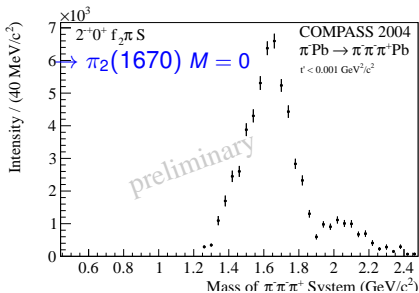
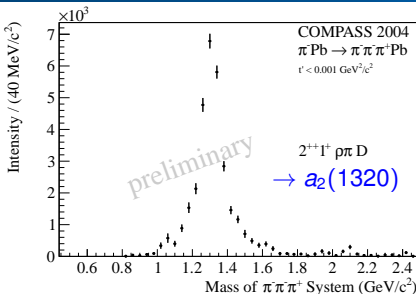
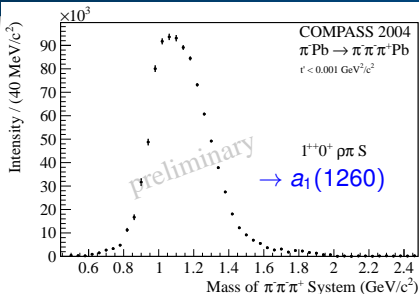
- Cuts as for real data: Exclusivity, t' , trigger, kaon mass, vertex position
- Acceptance ≈ 0.459



BACKUP: Intensities of selected waves, $t' < 0.001$ (GeV/c)

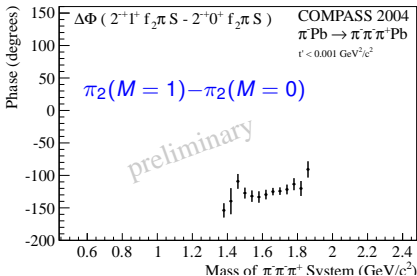
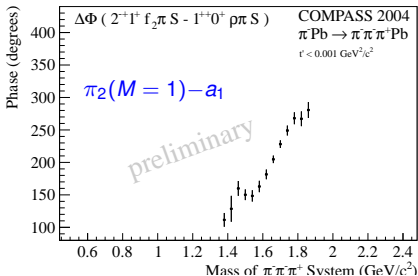
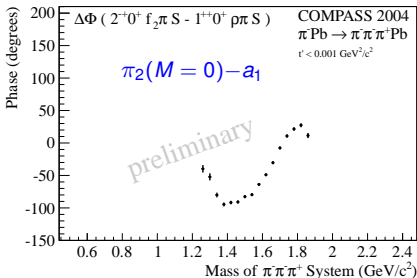
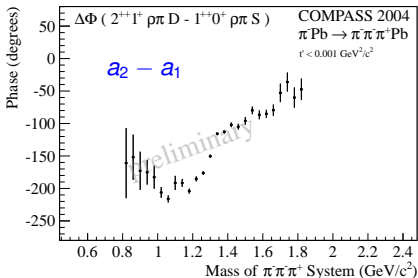


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BACKUP: Phases between selected waves

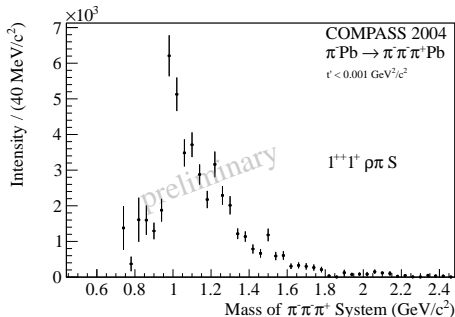




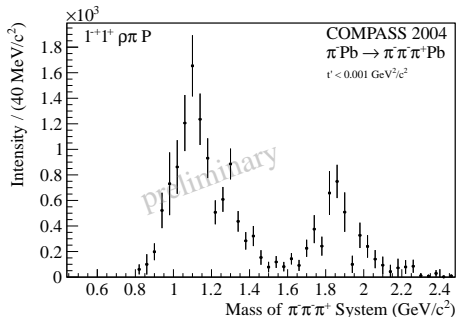
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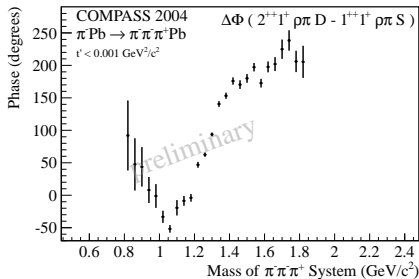
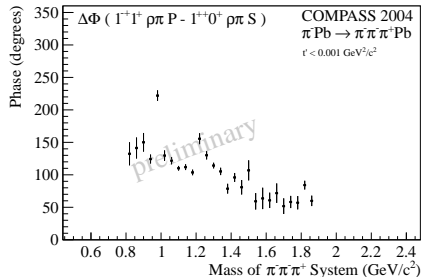
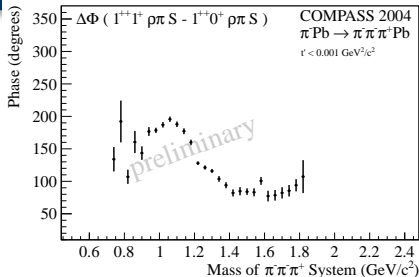
$1^{++}1^+$ candidate for
 Primakoff-produced $a_1(1260)$?



$1^{-+}1^+$ some
 spin-exotic resonance ?



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No indication for resonance
 in $1^{++}1^+$ or $1^{-+}1^+$ waves



- **Mass-independent PWA** (narrow mass bins):

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

- Production strength 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

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

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