

Search for Exotic Heavy- and Light-Quark Mesons at COMPASS

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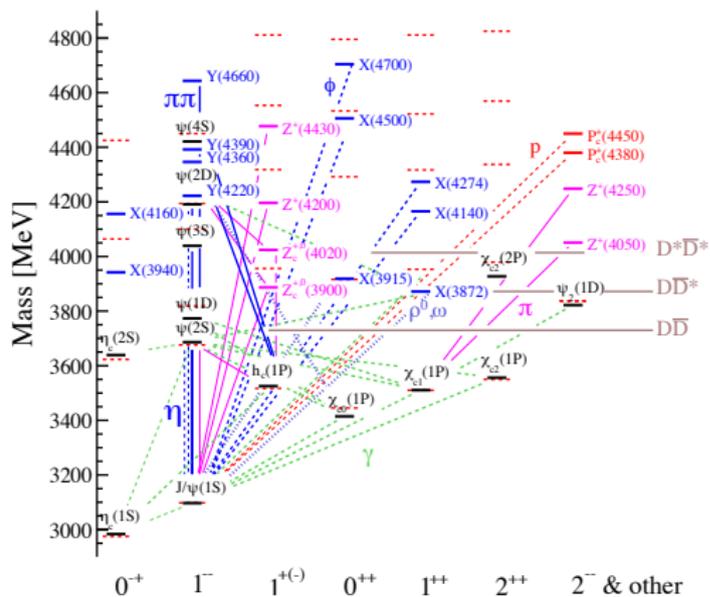
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Part I

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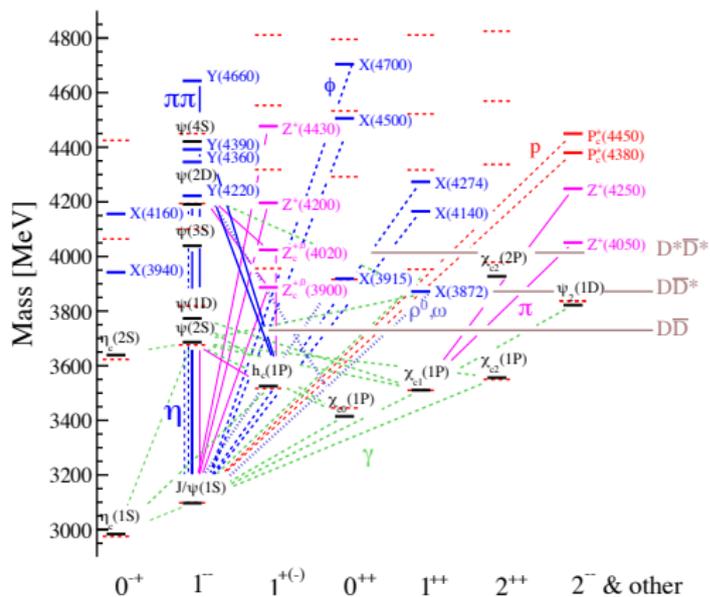
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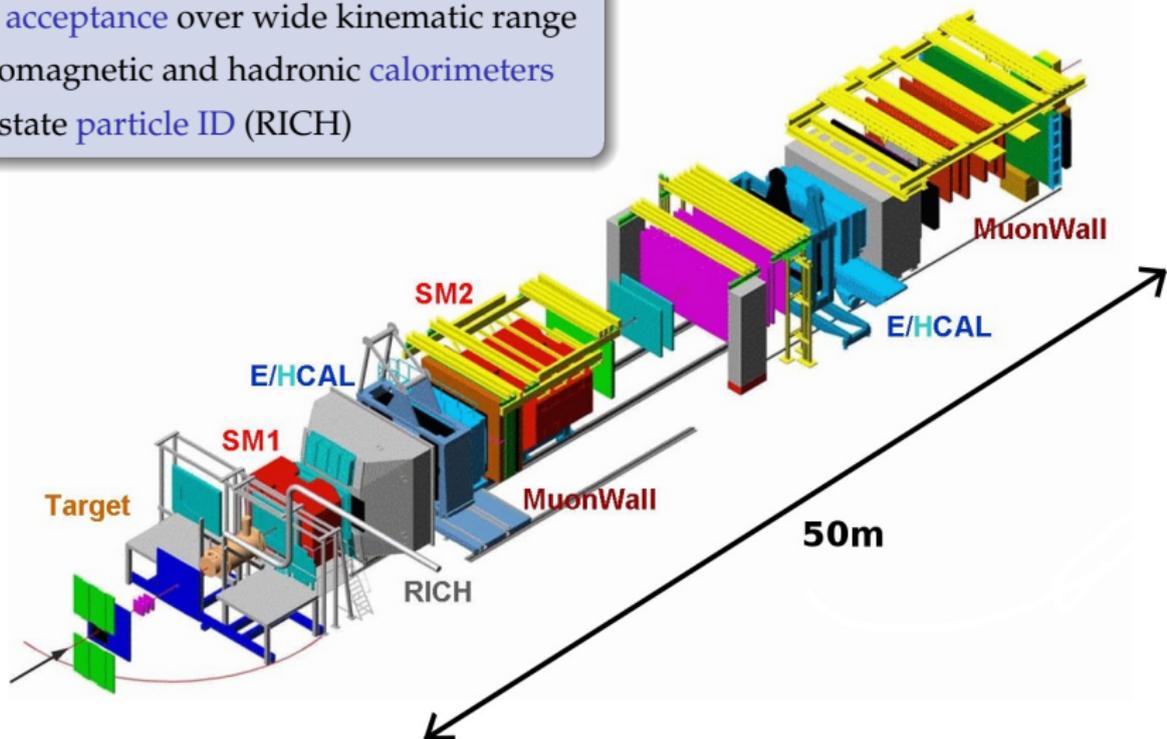
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- Two-stage spectrometer
- Large acceptance over wide kinematic range
- Electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters
- Final-state particle ID (RICH)



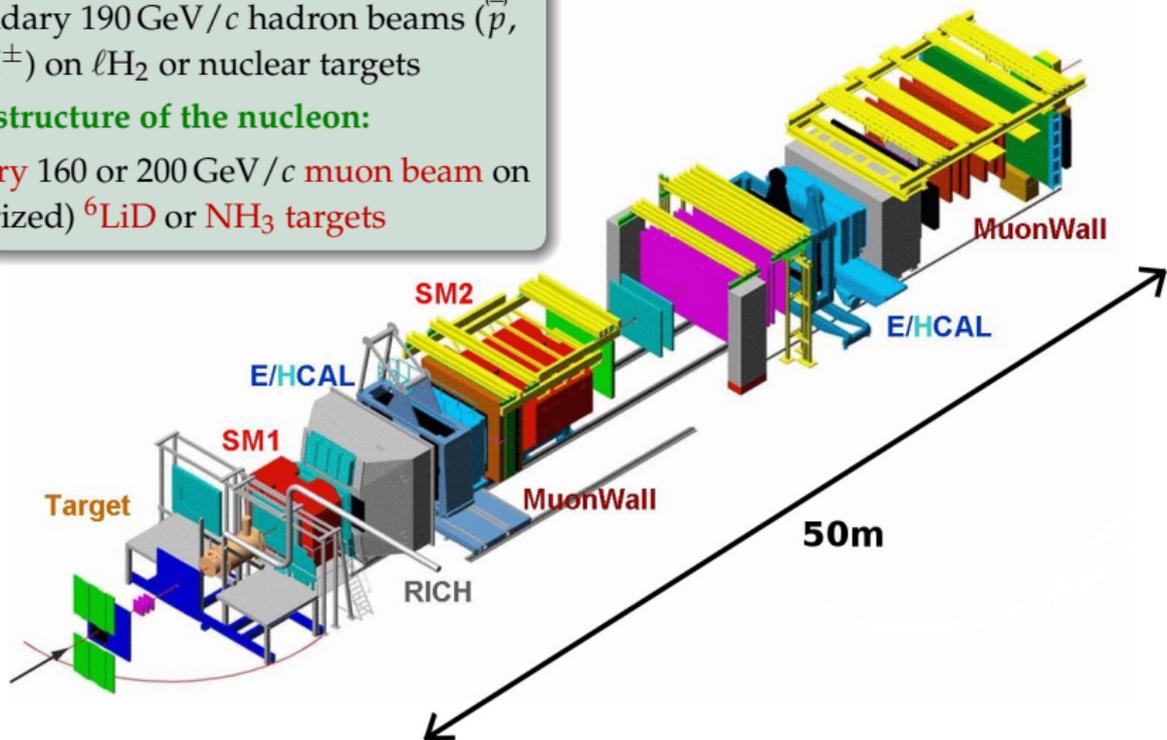
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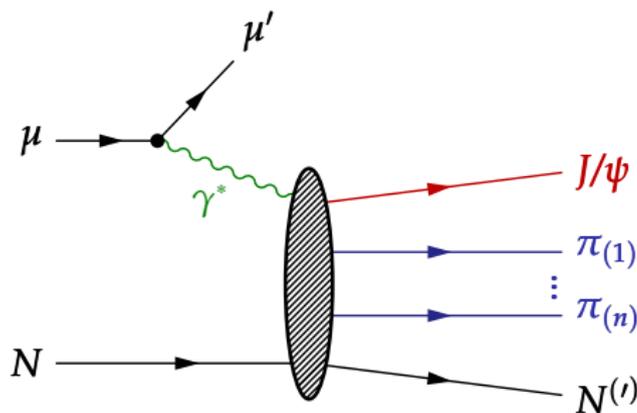
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Physics goals

- **Spectroscopy of light mesons:**
Secondary 190 GeV/c hadron beams (\vec{p} , π^\pm , K^\pm) on ℓH_2 or nuclear targets
- **Spin structure of the nucleon:**
Tertiary 160 or 200 GeV/c muon beam on (polarized) ${}^6\text{LiD}$ or NH_3 targets



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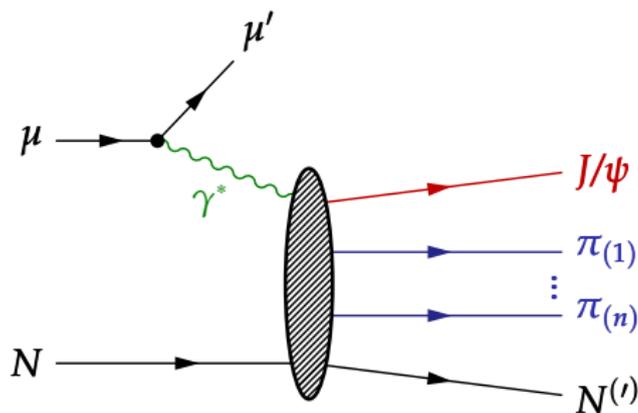
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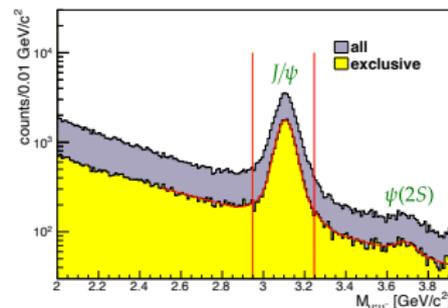
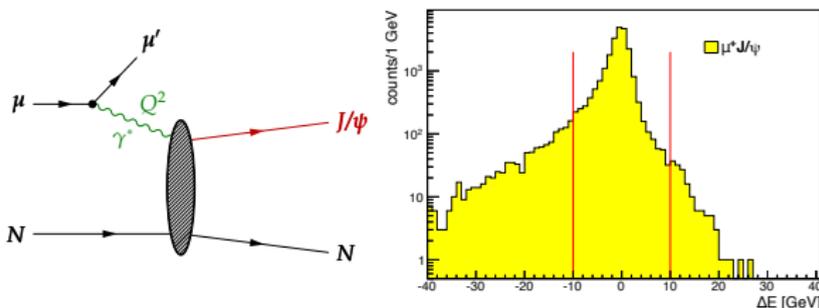
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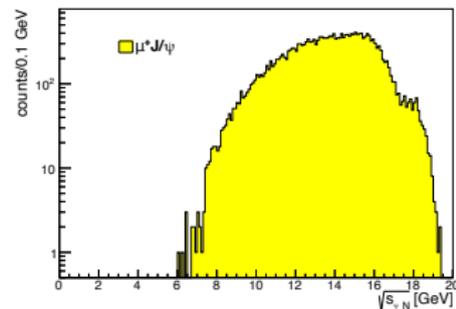
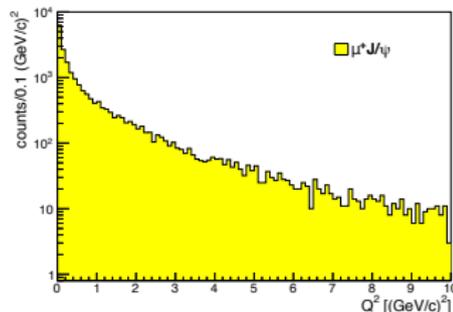
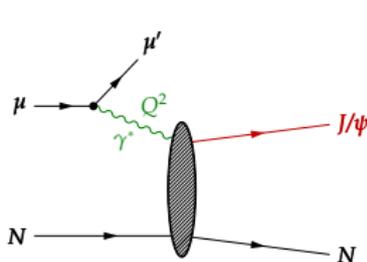
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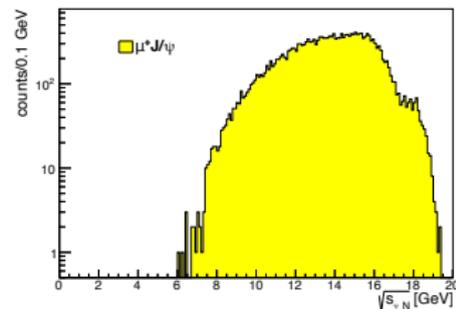
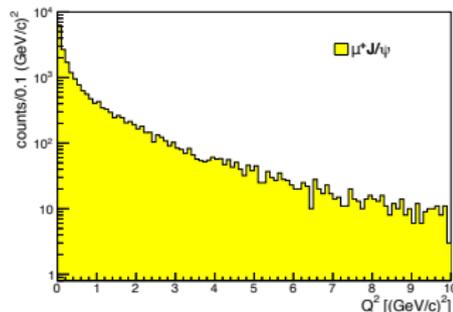
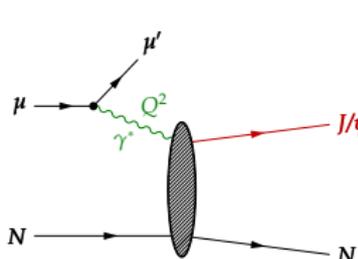
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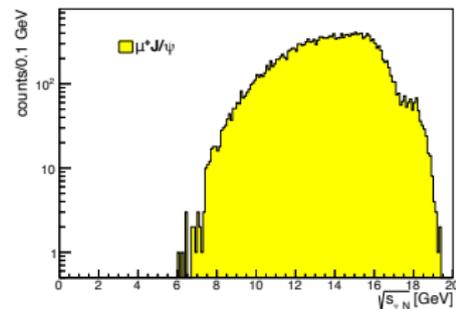
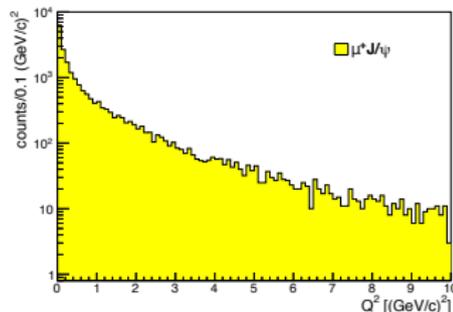
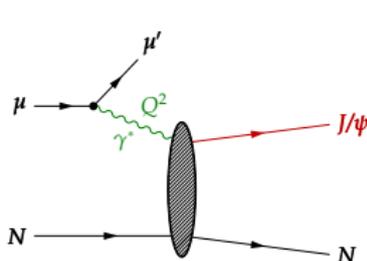


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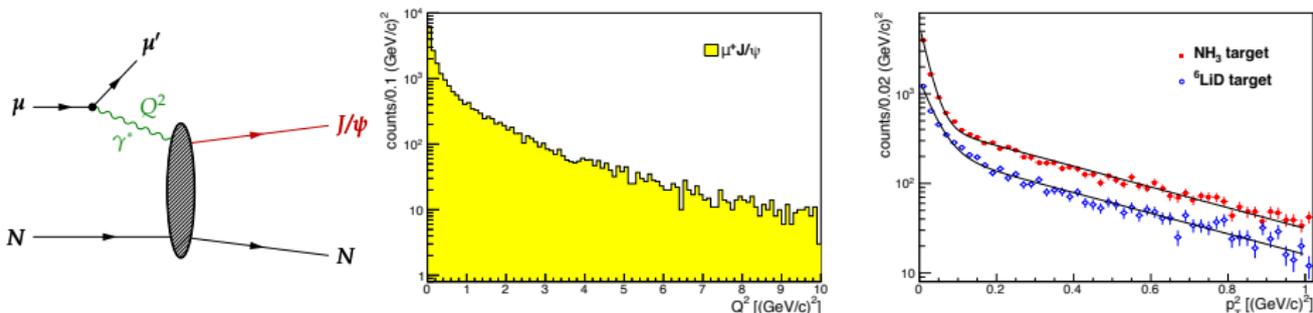
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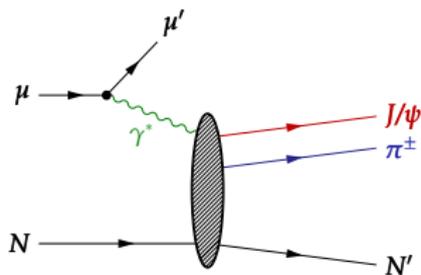
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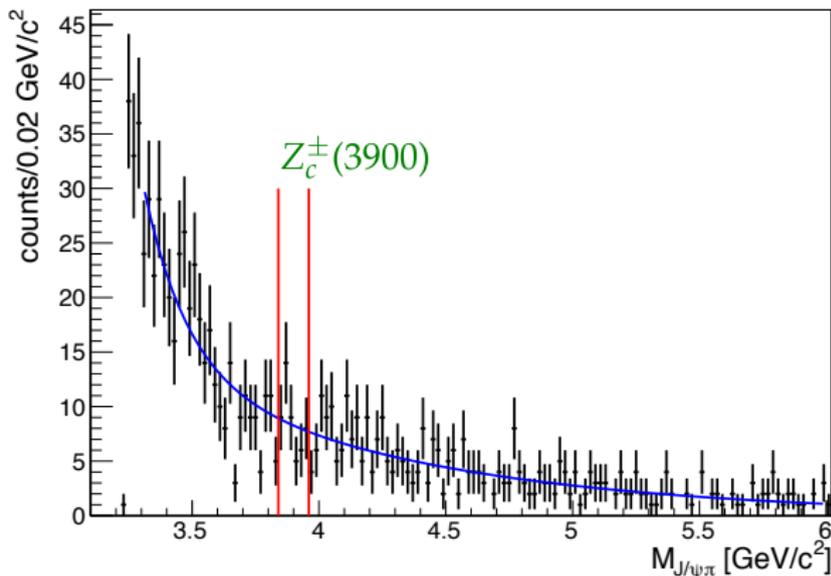
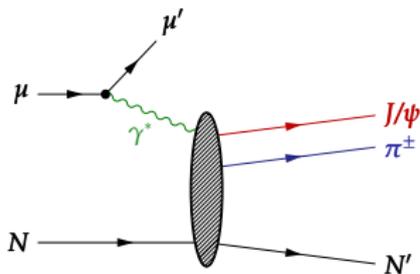


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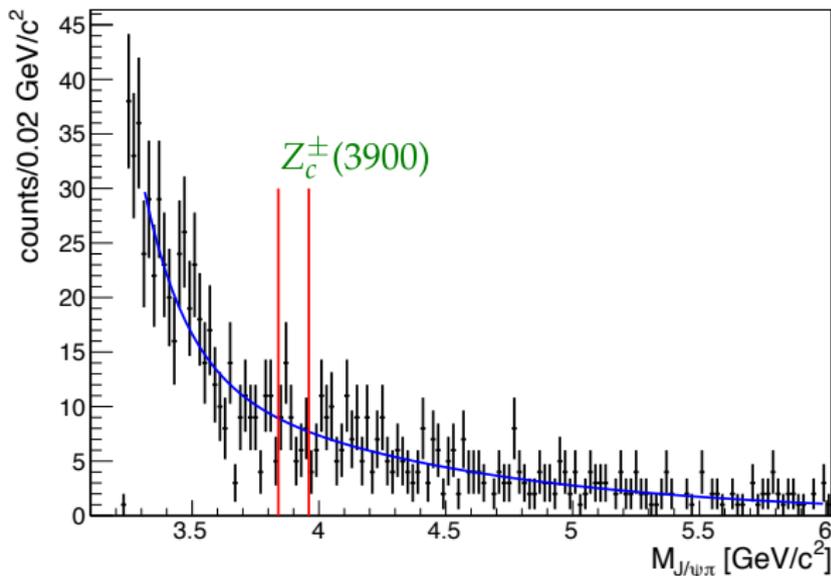
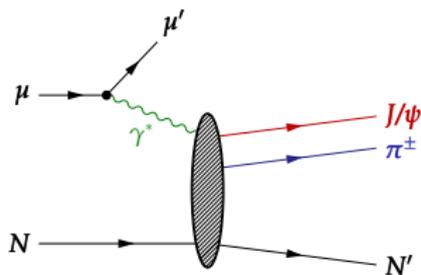


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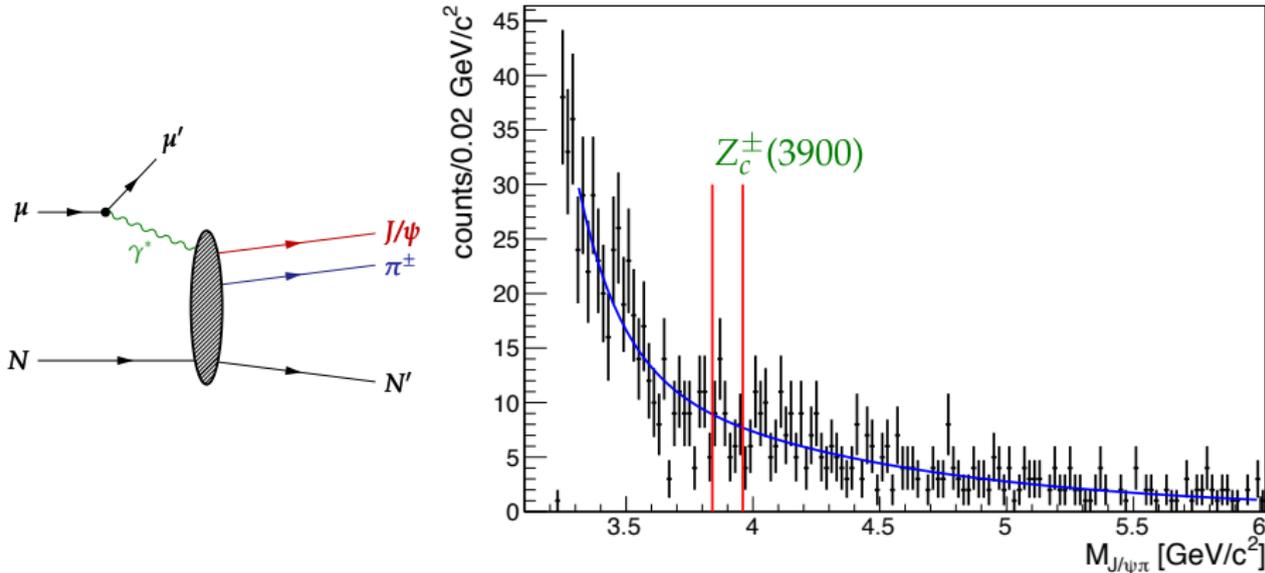
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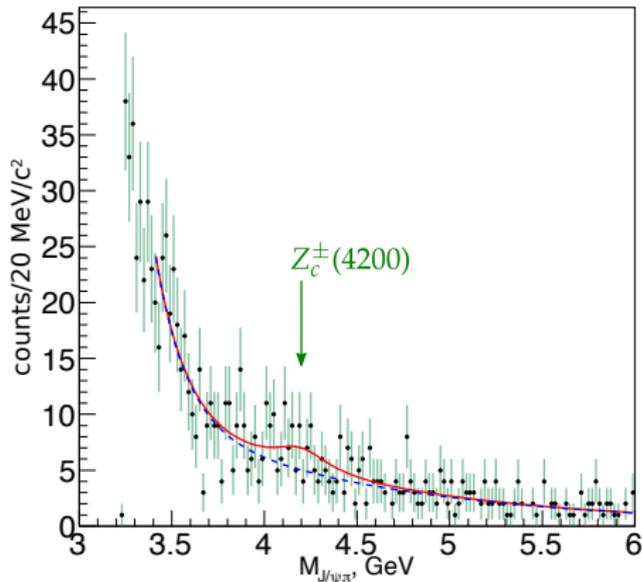
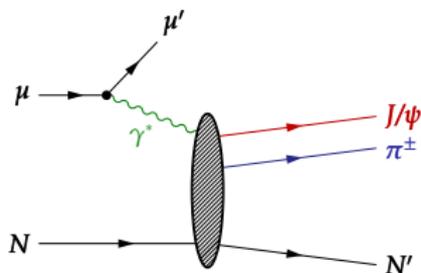
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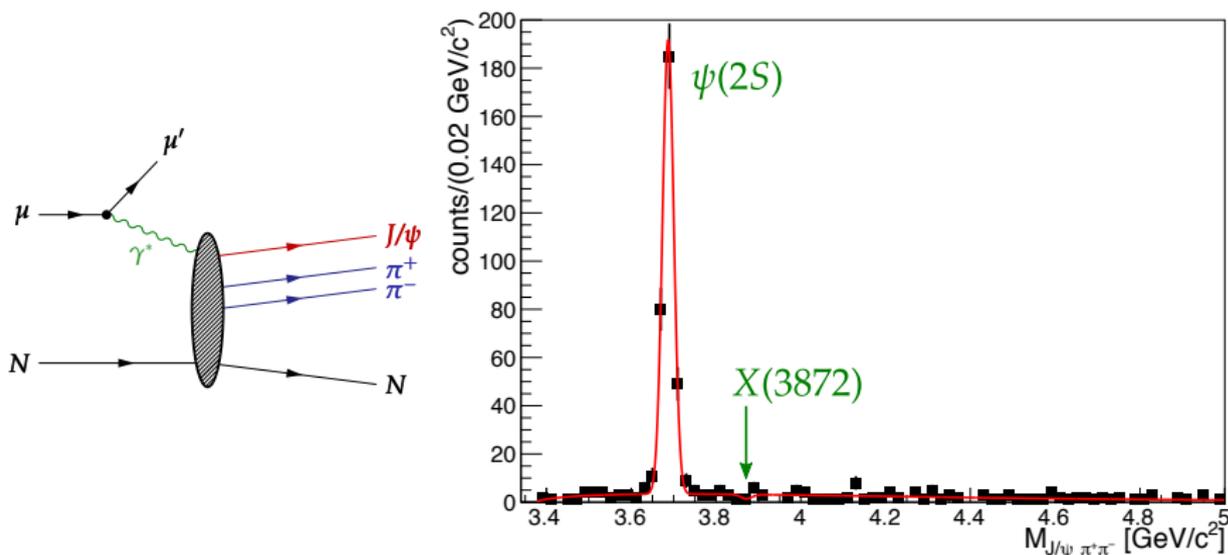
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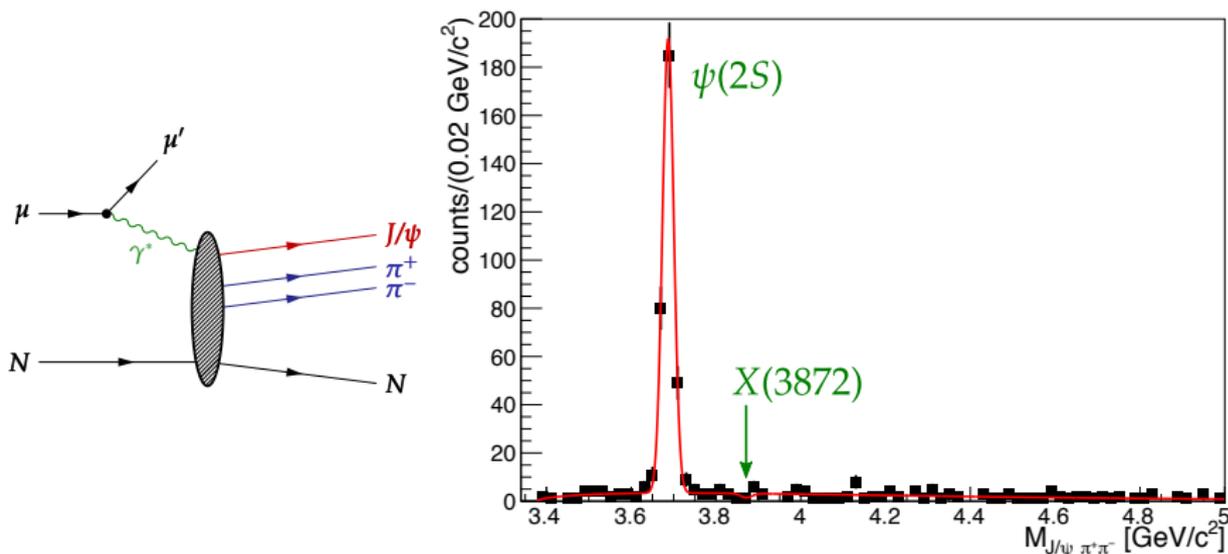
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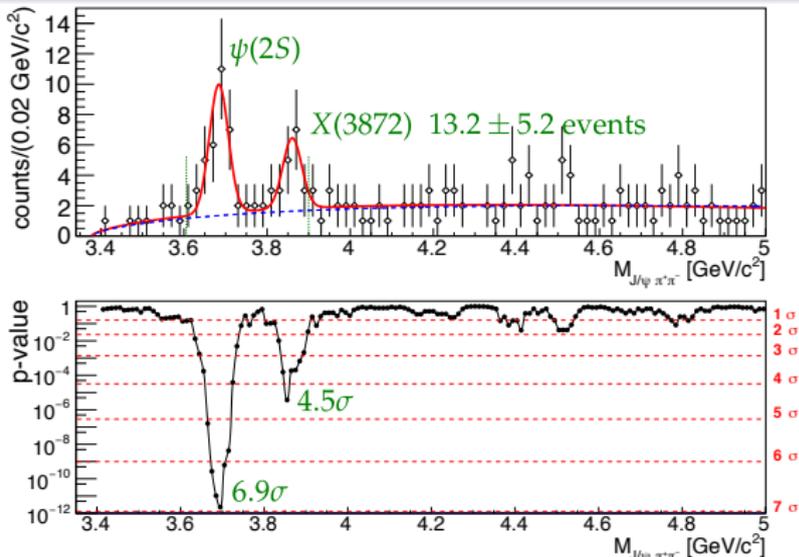
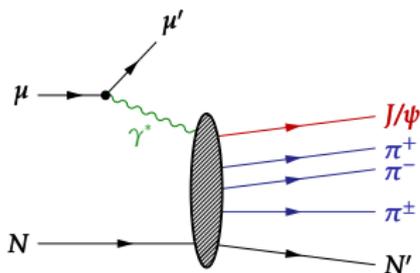
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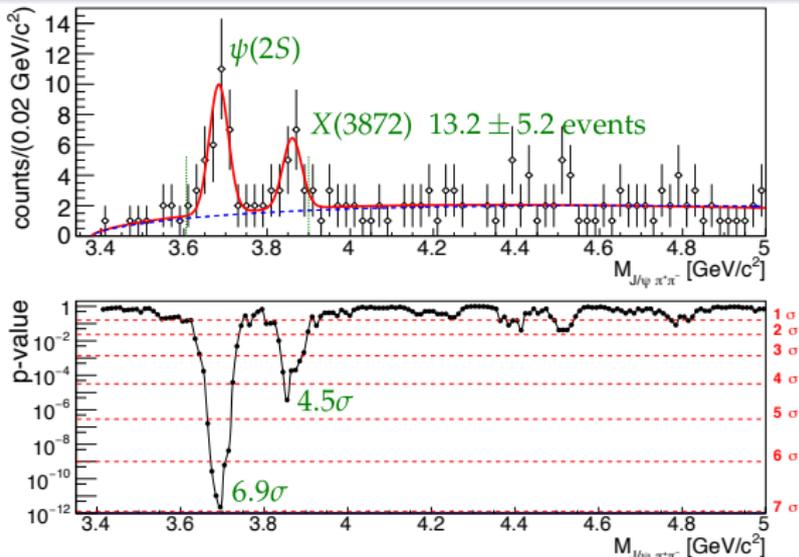
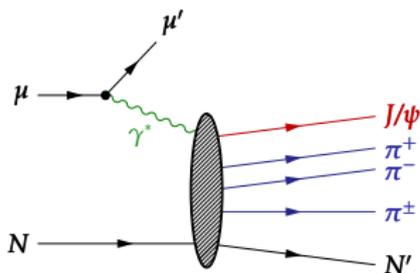
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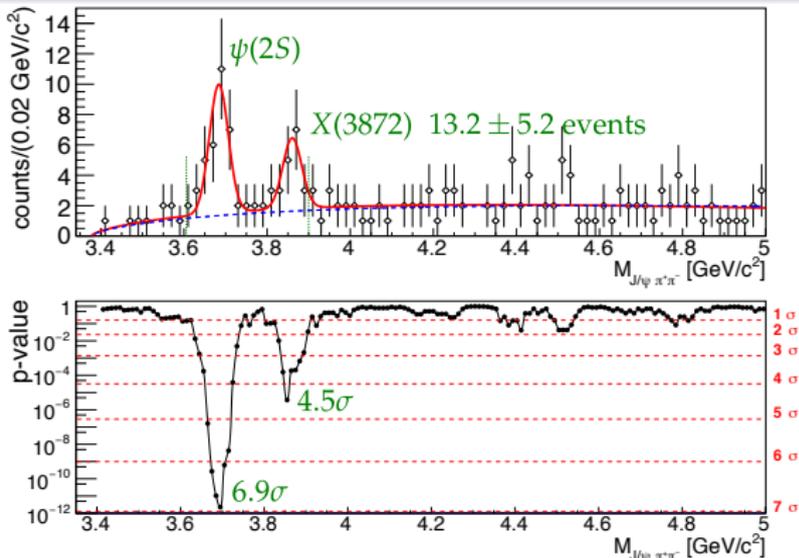
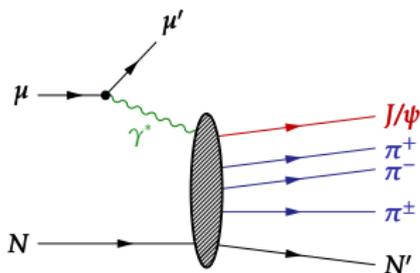
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- Peak at $(3860.4 \pm 10.0) \text{ MeV}/c^2$ consistent with $X(3872)$
- Both peaks: $\sigma = (22.8 \pm 6.9) \text{ MeV}/c^2$; dominated by resolution



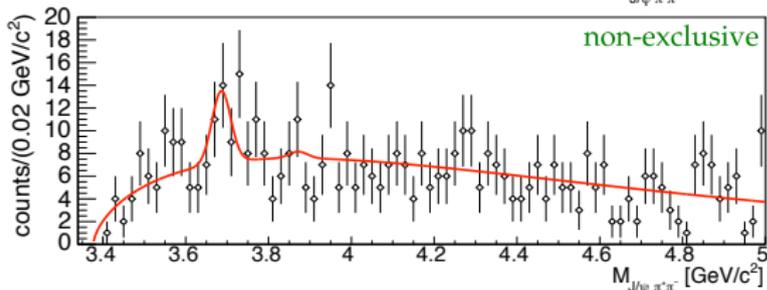
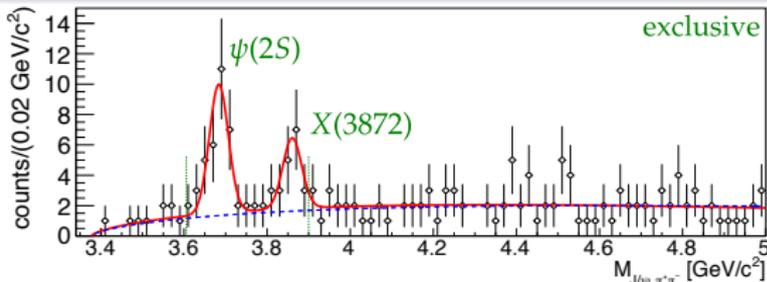
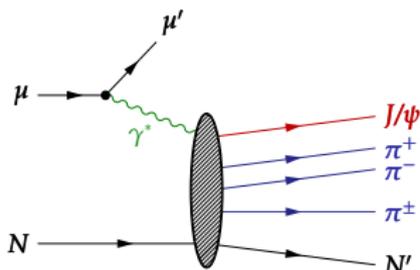
Significance of $X(3872)$ signal

- Integrate background curve over $60 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ wide mass window \implies expected number of background events
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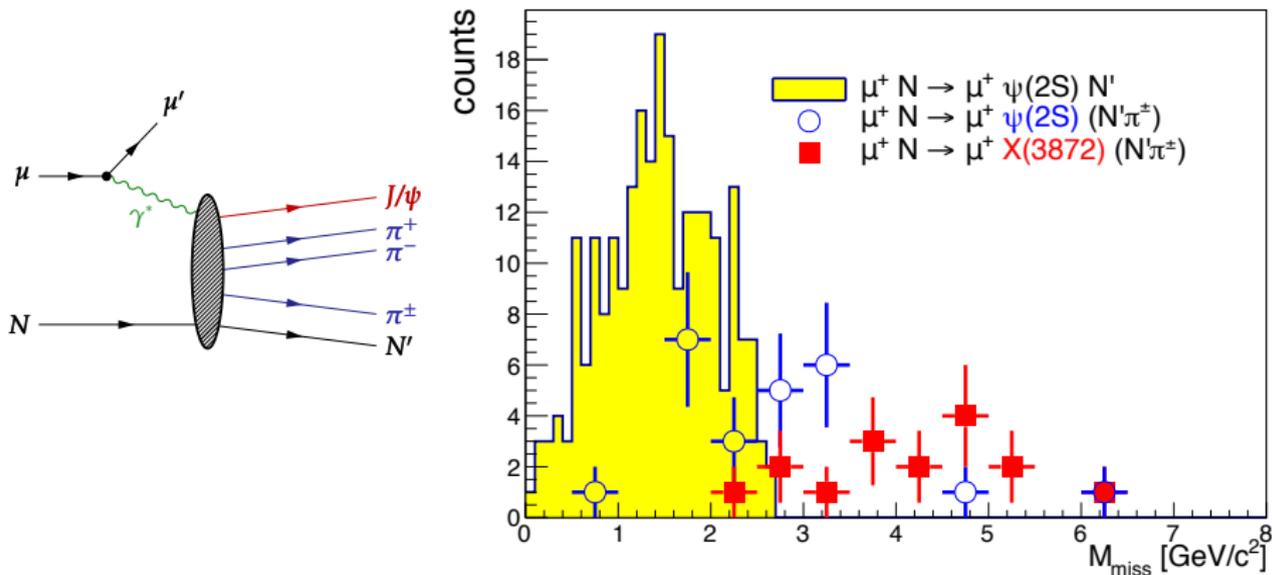
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Production of X(3872) is exclusive

- Exclusive events: $|\Delta E| < 4 \text{ GeV}$
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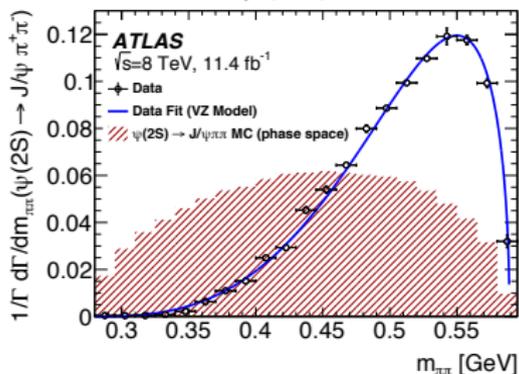


Mass spectrum of $\pi^\pm N'$ system

- Mass region $\pm 30 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ around $\psi(2S)$ and $X(3872)$ peaks
- Smaller $\pi^\pm N'$ masses for $\psi(2S)$
 - Hint for different production mechanism

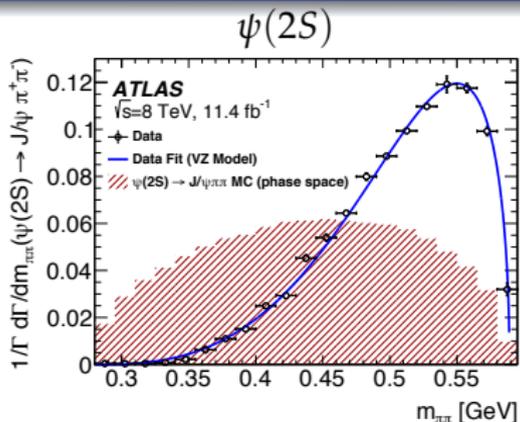
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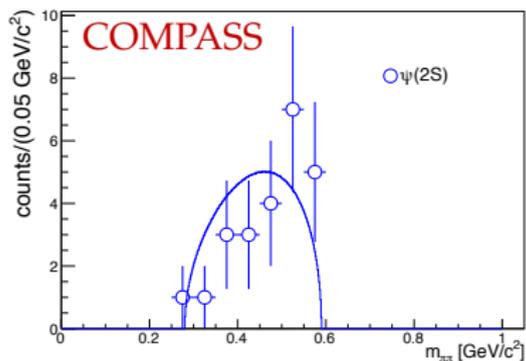


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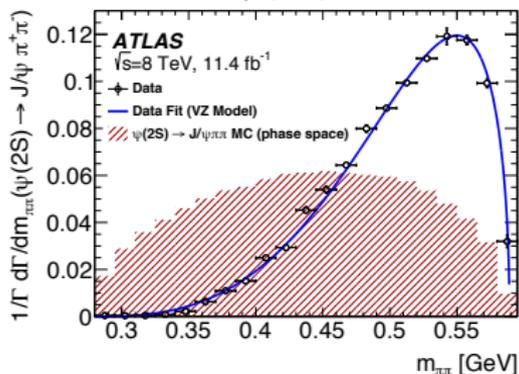


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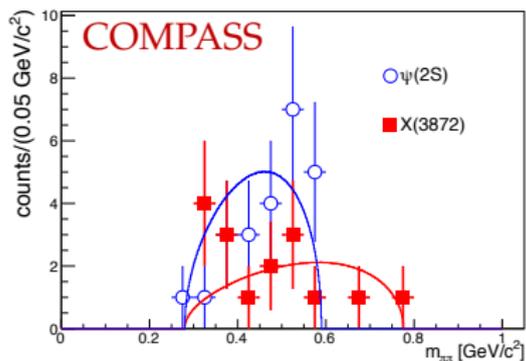
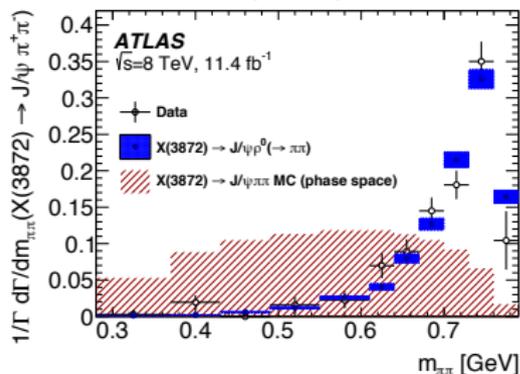
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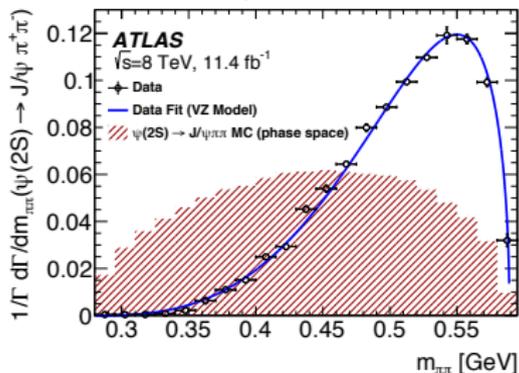
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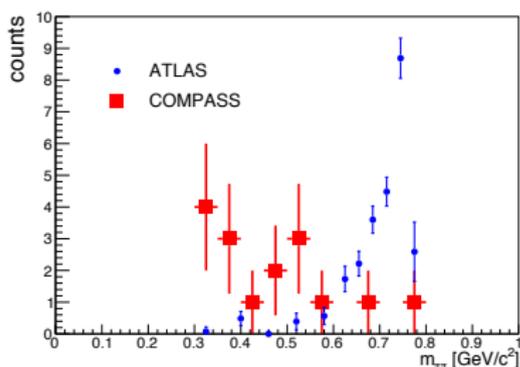
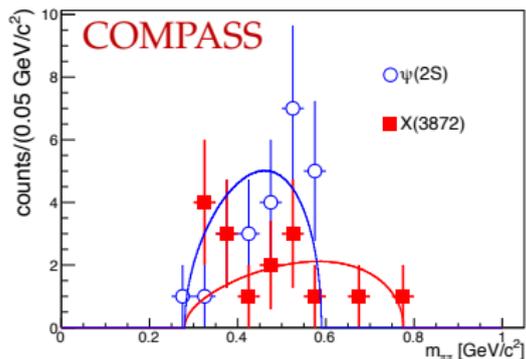
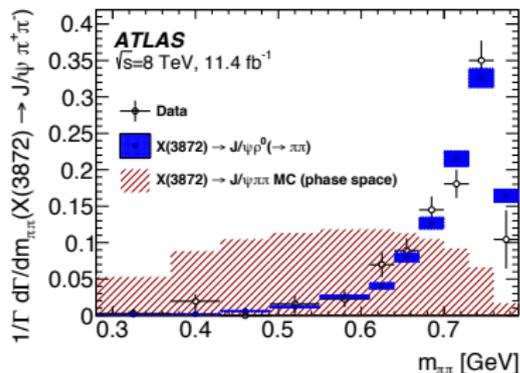
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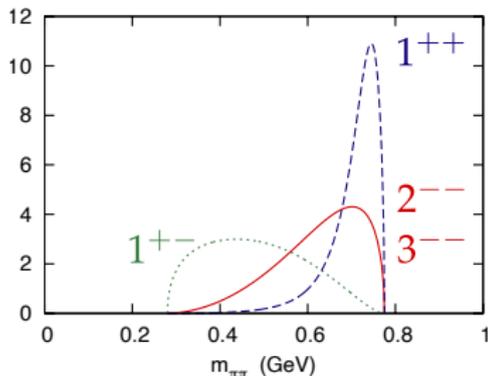
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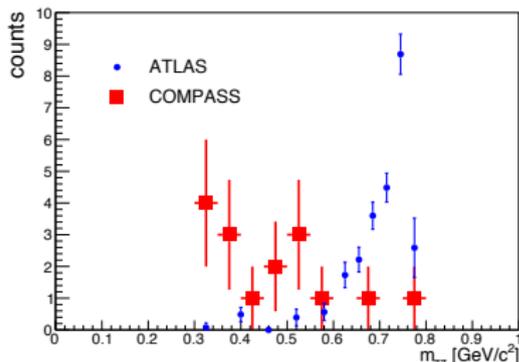
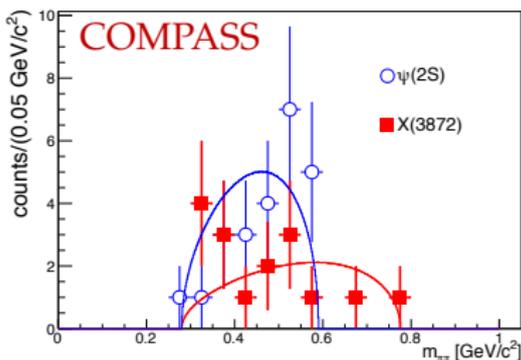
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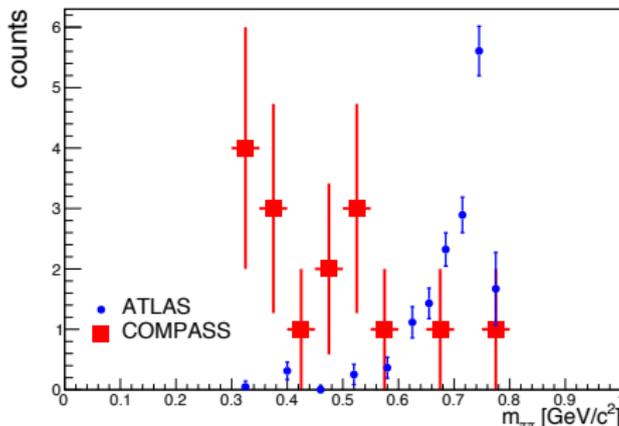
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Performed several studies

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 \implies same result
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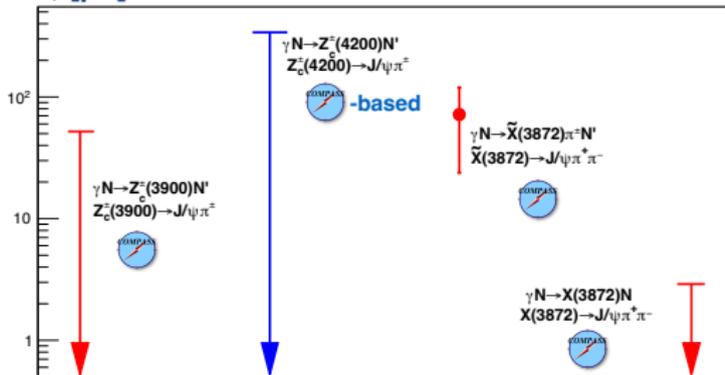
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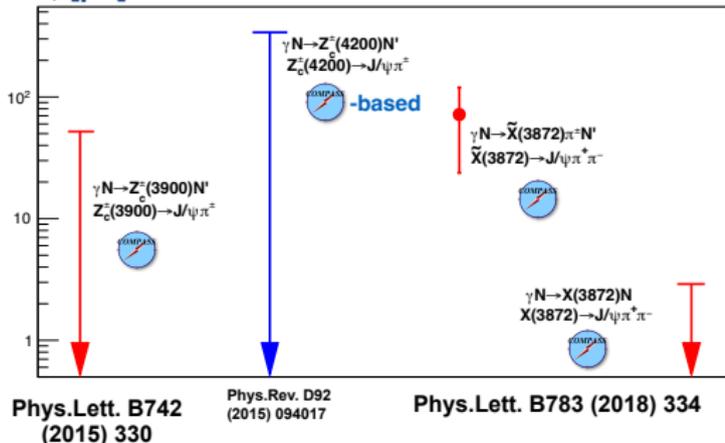
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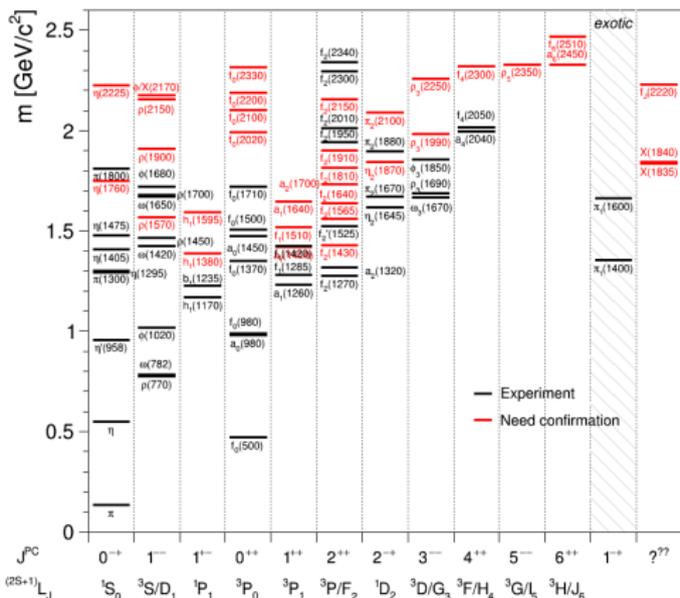
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Part II

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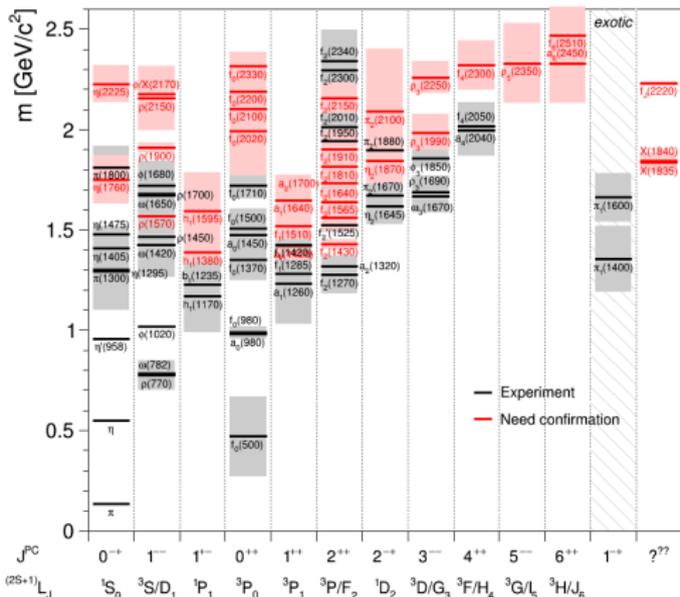


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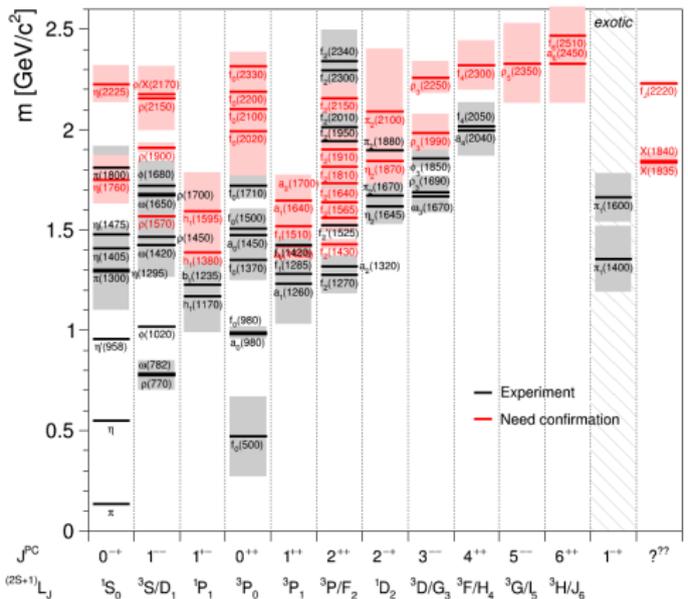


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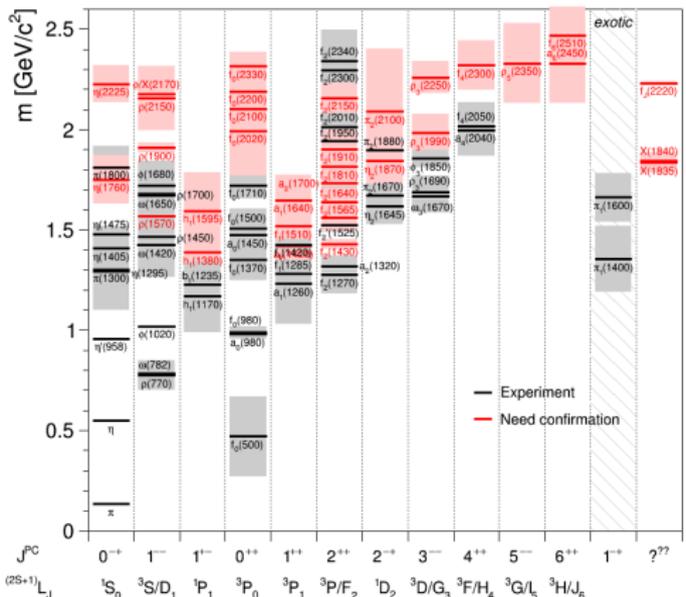
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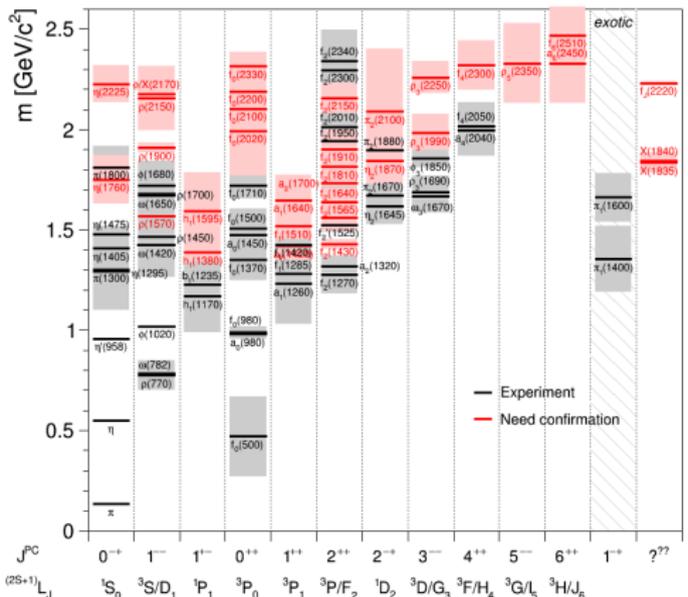
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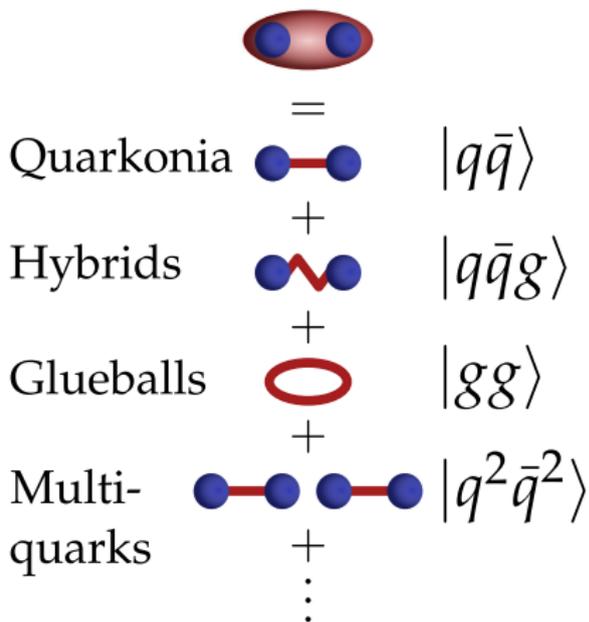
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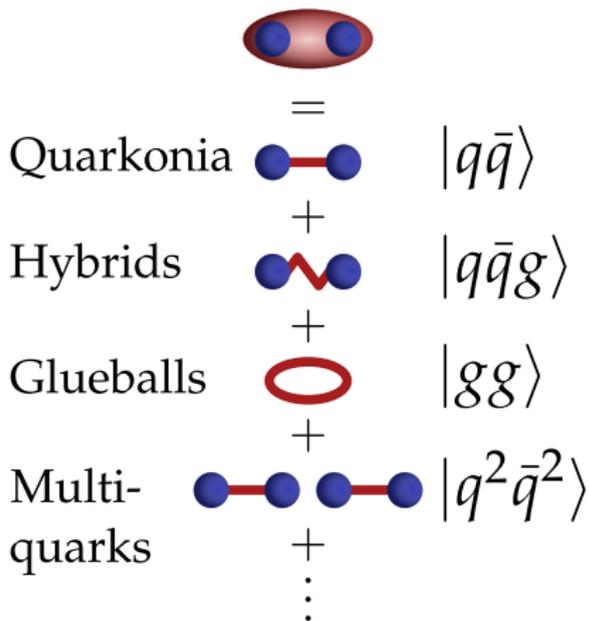
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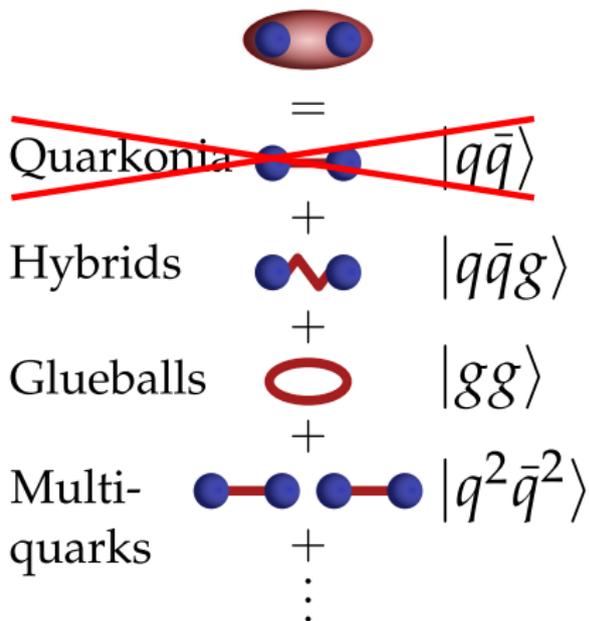


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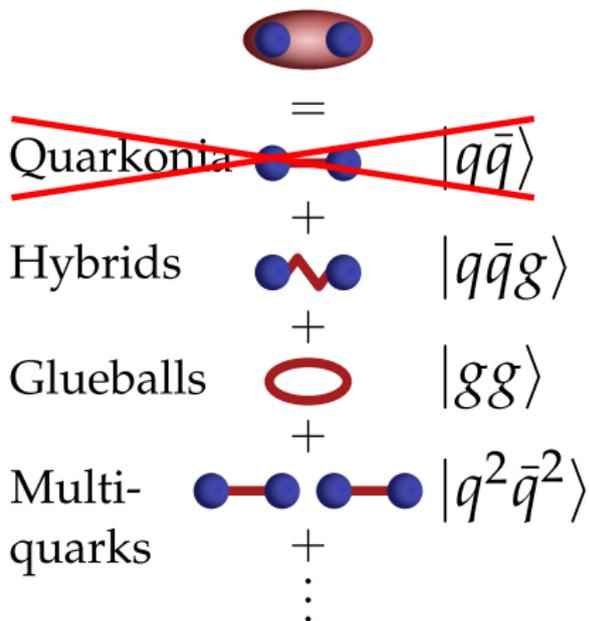


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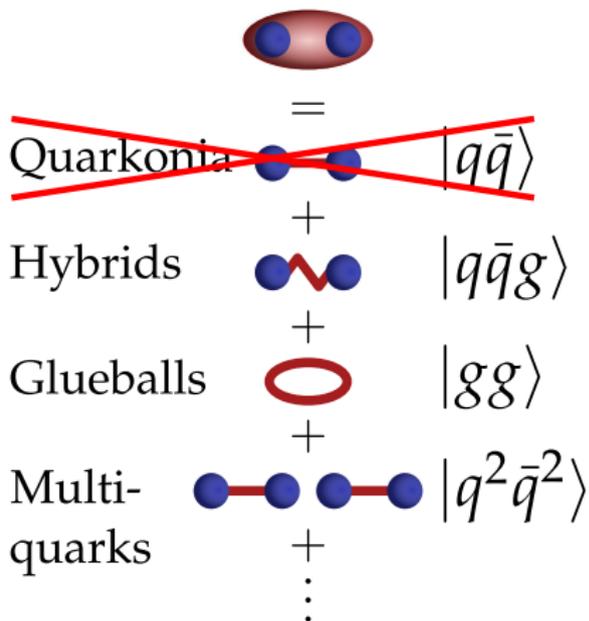


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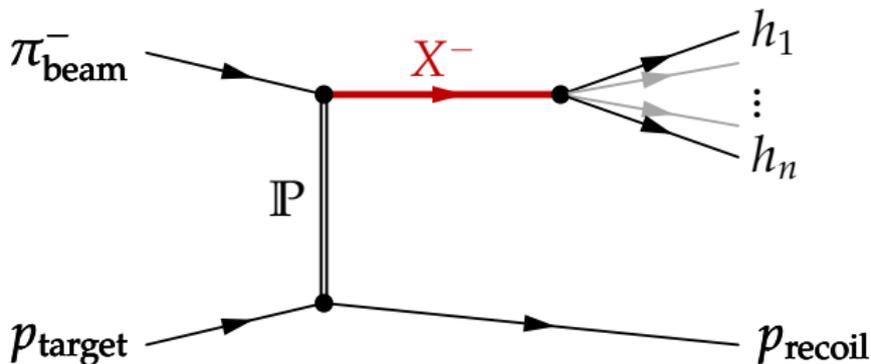


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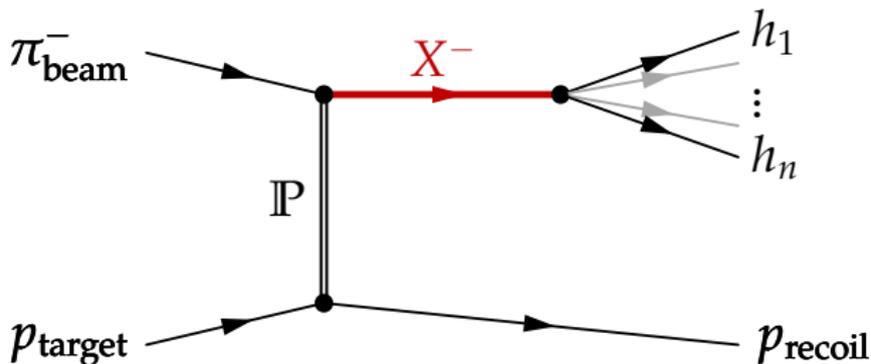
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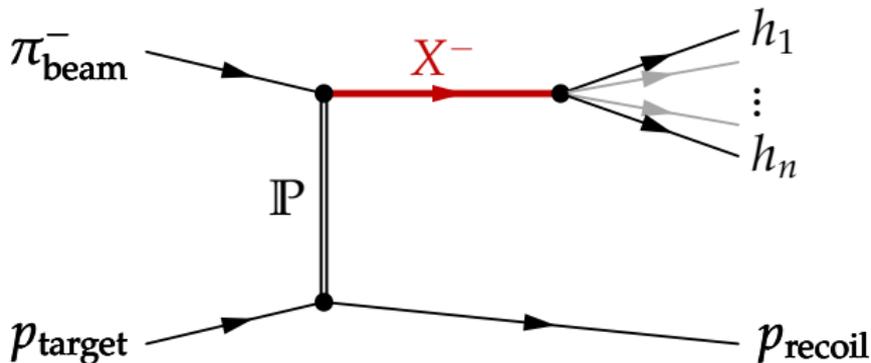
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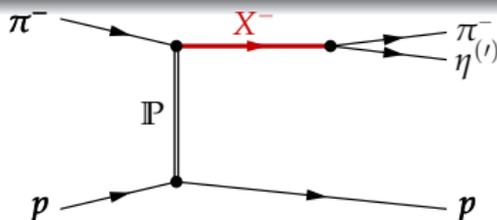
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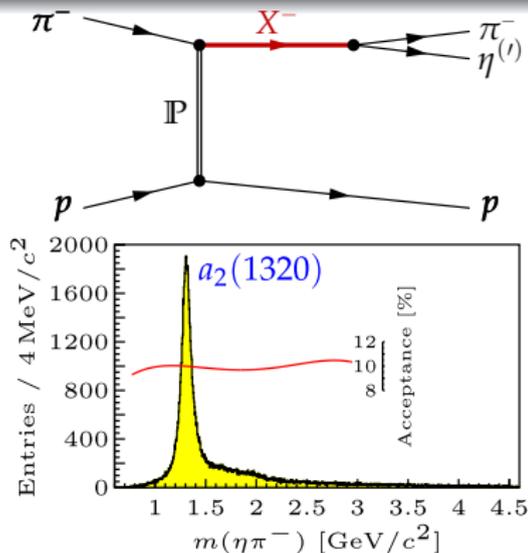


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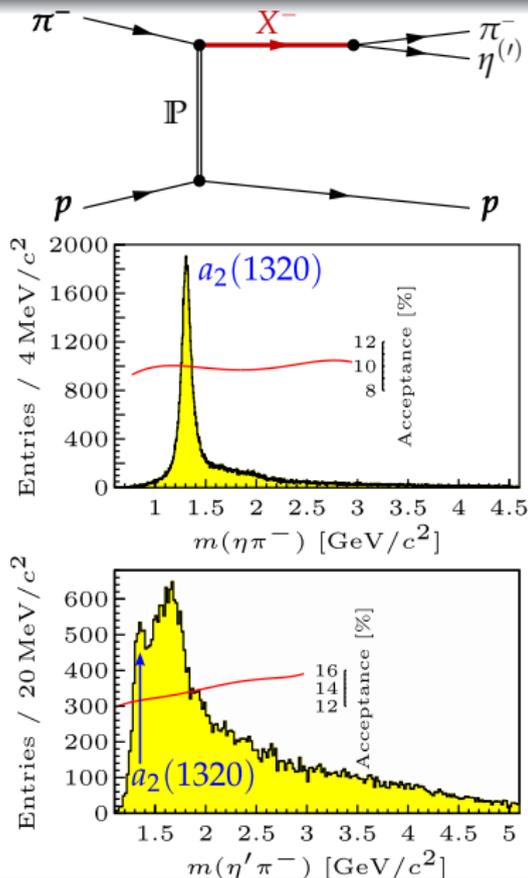


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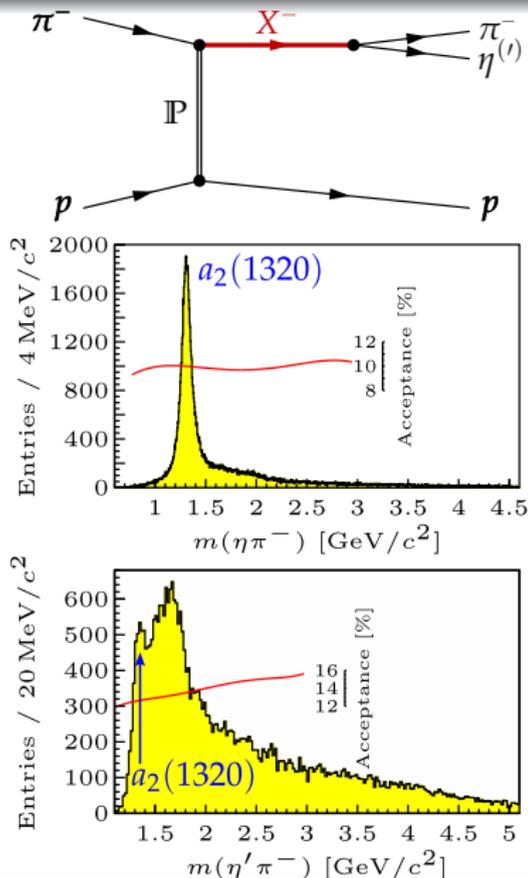


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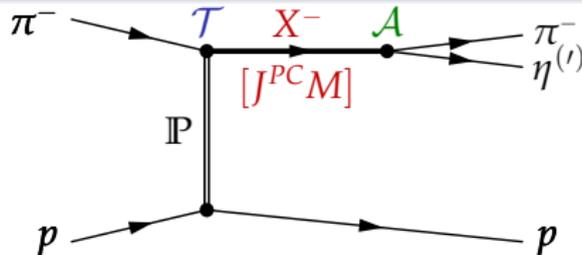
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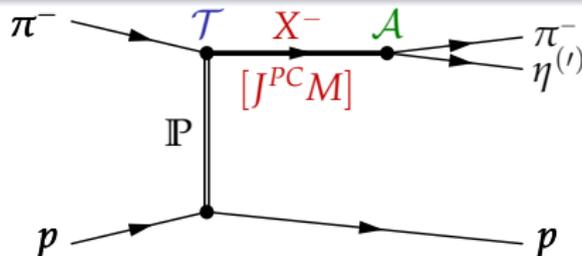


(Simplified) ansatz: Factorization of production and decay

$$\sigma(\tau; m_X) \propto \left| \sum_i^{\text{waves}} \mathcal{T}_i(m_X) \mathcal{A}_i(\tau; m_X) \right|^2$$

- Transition amplitude $\mathcal{T}_i(m_X)$: strength and phase of wave i
- Decay amplitude $\mathcal{A}_i(\tau; m_X)$
 - Describes **kinematic distribution** of final-state particles in **phase-space variables** τ for wave i
 - For 2-body system of spinless particles: $\mathcal{A}_i(\tau) = Y_J^M(\theta, \phi)$

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Two-stage analysis

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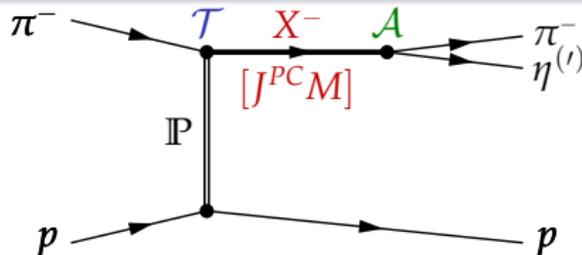
1 Partial-wave decomposition

- Independent **maximum likelihood fits** to τ distributions in narrow m_X bins
- Take into account **detection efficiency**
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- Independent **maximum likelihood fits** to τ distributions in narrow m_X bins
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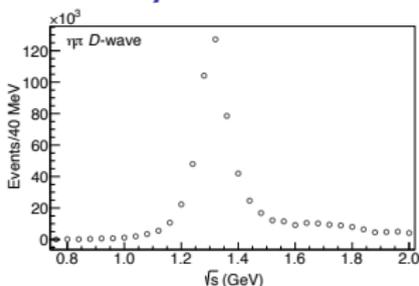
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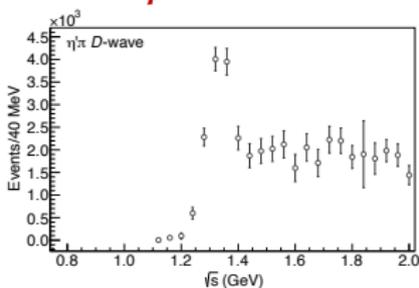
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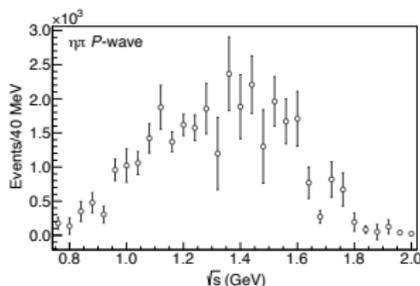
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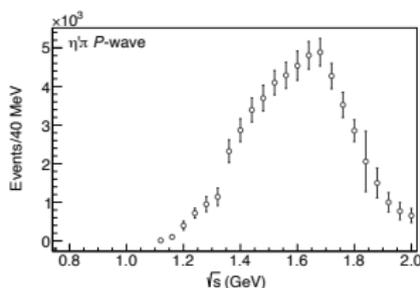
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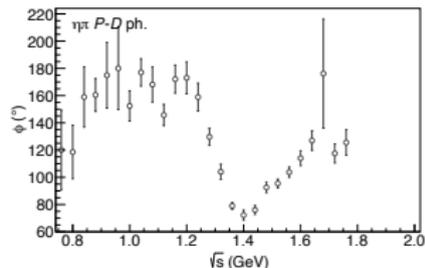
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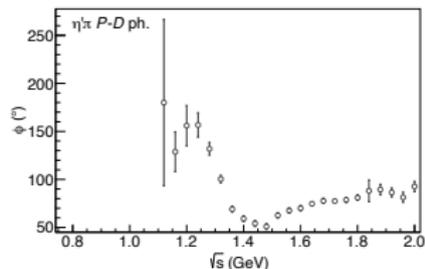
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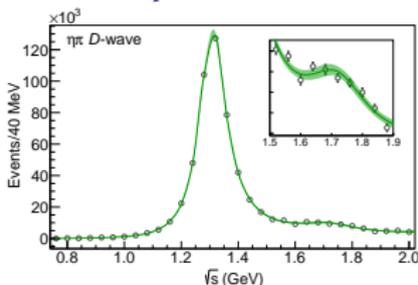
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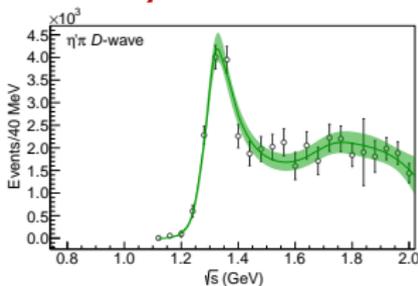
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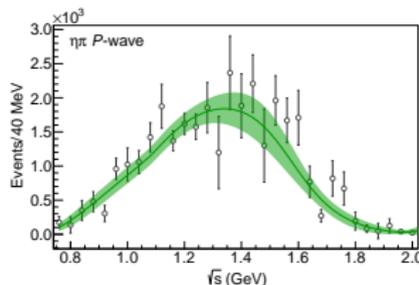
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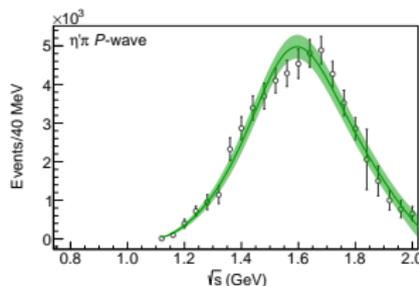
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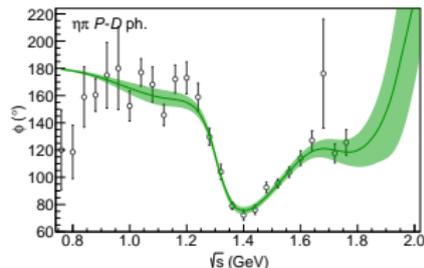
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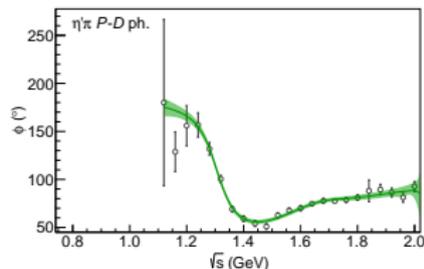
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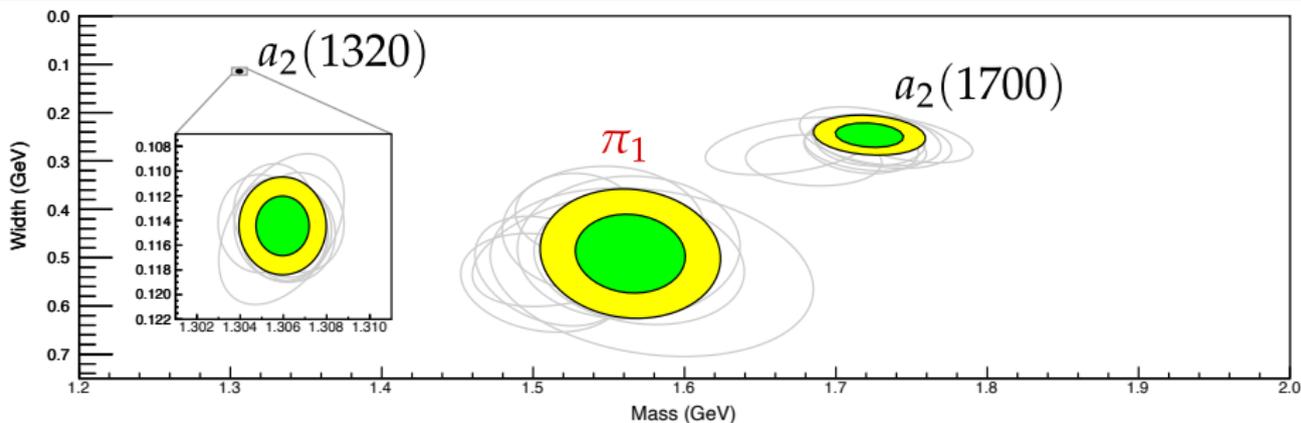


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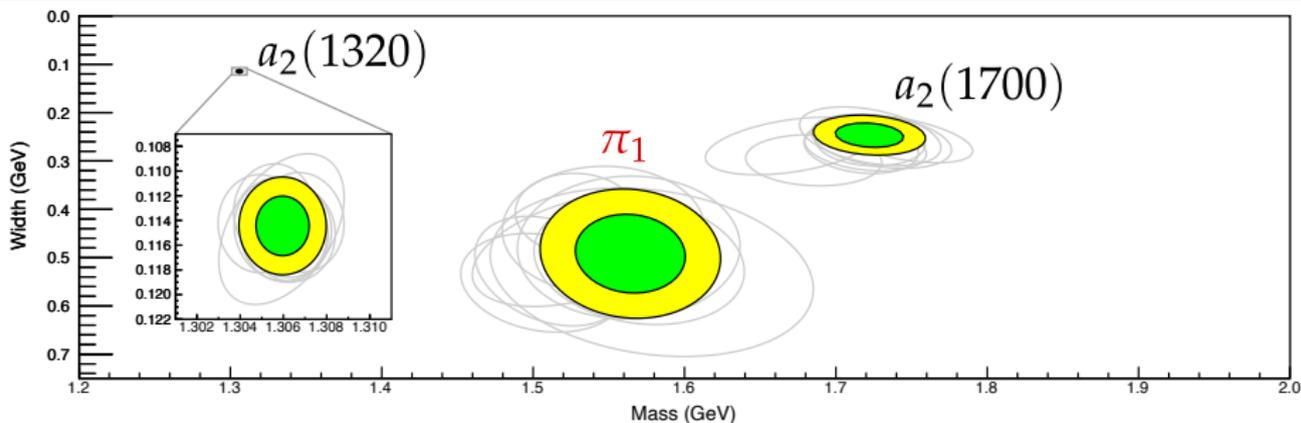
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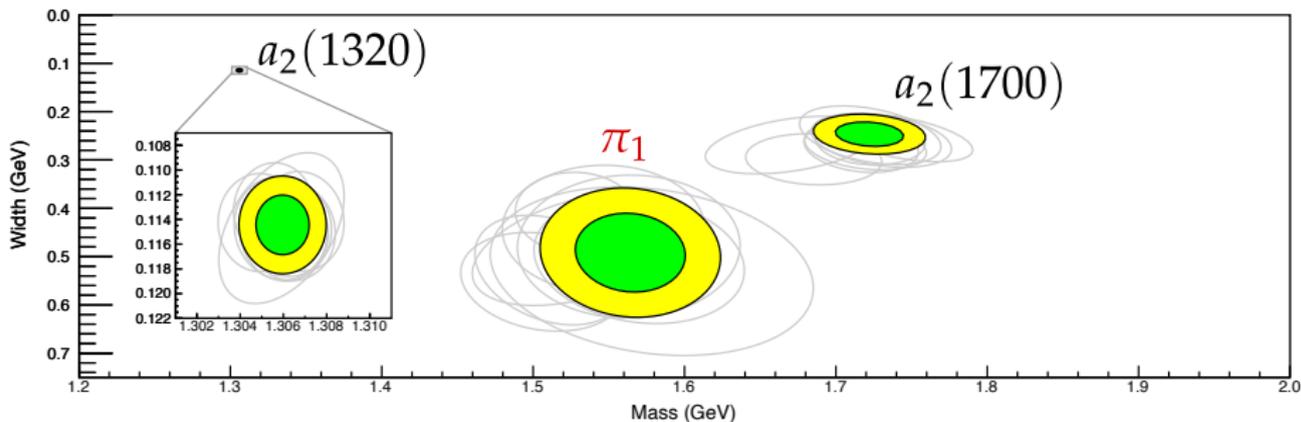
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