



“Is it –
or
isn’t it?”

High Statistics
Pentaquark
News from
CLAS
and others



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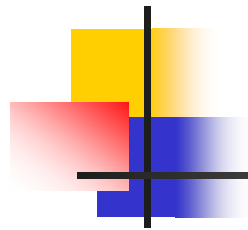


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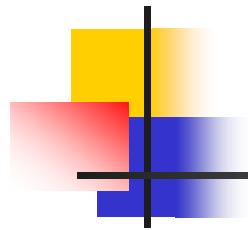


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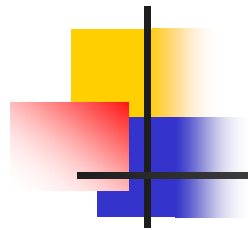


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Remark :

Last talk here: Febr. 27th, 2004.

At that time:

- ~ 10 “sightings” from low stat. expts.
- 1 “non-sighting”: *Hera-B* .

During summer 2004:

- several high stat. expts. publish their results

Note: not dedicated experiments!

Now: (April 15th, 2005)

- 1st dedicated high stat. expt. at CLAS publishes.

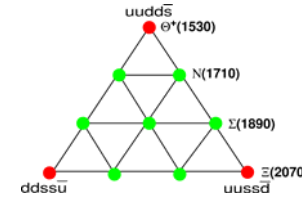
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K. Hicks (Ohio) APS Talk, Tampa, April 15, 2005

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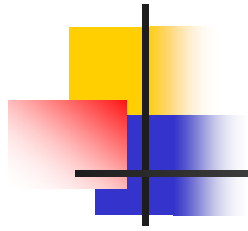


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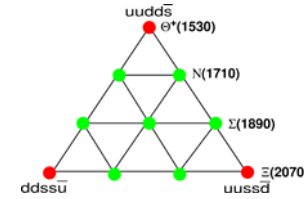
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(in fact – what about sea-quarks?)

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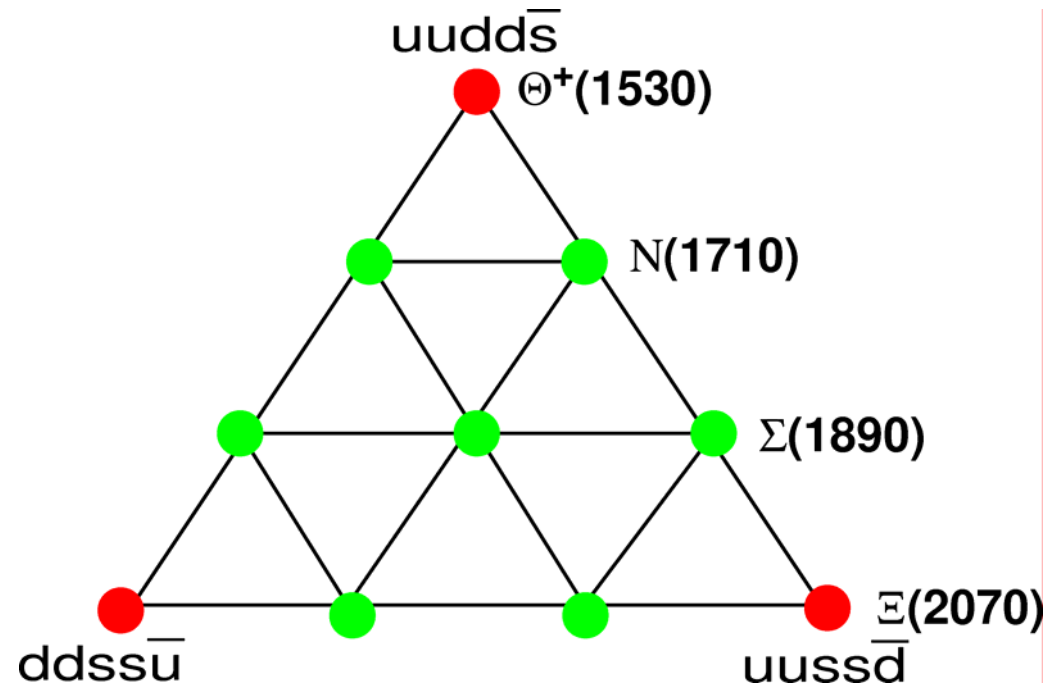
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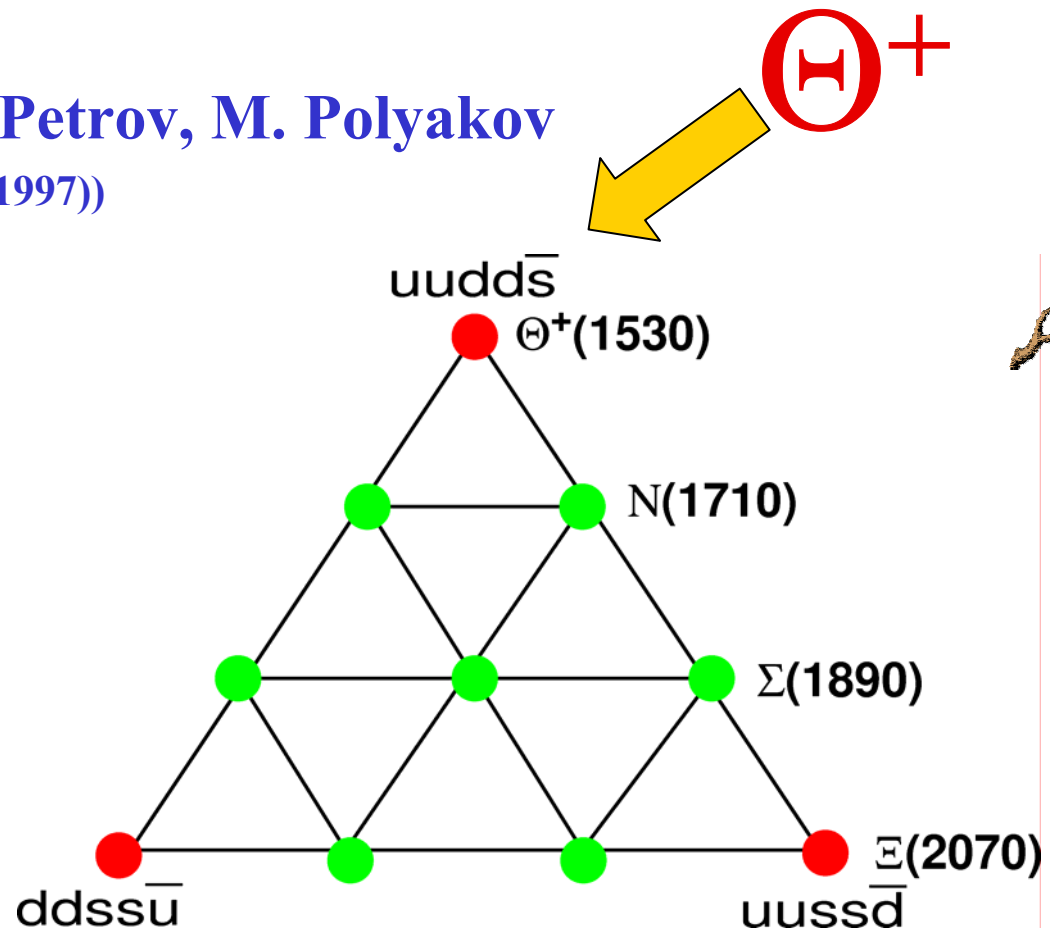
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
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Other “Exotics”

 Λ (1405) discussed as a possible “hybrid” {qqqg}

 The “Roper” (N(1440)) was since long a “hybrid” candidate {qqqg} due to

-  Quantum numbers ($I, J^P = 1/2, 1/2^+$)
-  Mass (lowest mass states are N(1520) $3/2^-$ and N(1535) $1/2^-$)
-  e-m couplings... (too large)

 The “Dibaryons” {qqq-qqq} :

*** **resonances** in the 1980’s – discarded nowadays

 . . . (continued next slide)



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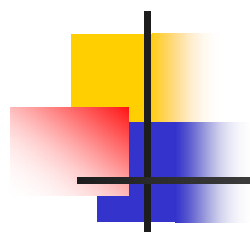
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







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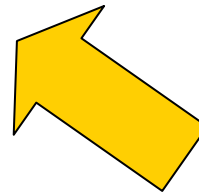


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Sightings (status now – 2005; Θ only) :

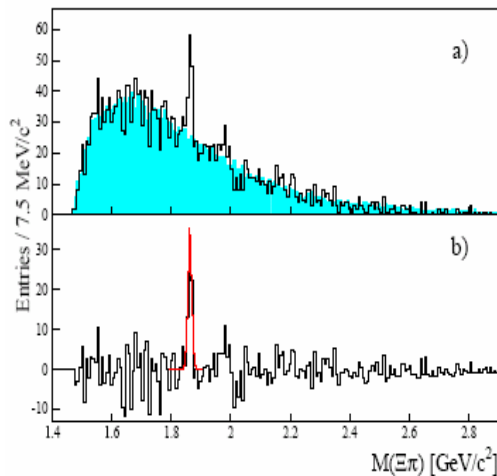
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(p + p)		COSY-TOF	(Julich)	hep-ex/0403011	5 Mar. 2004
($e^+ + p$)		ZEUS	(HERA)	hep-ex/0403051	30 Mar. 2004




new!

Sightings (other than Θ^+) :

CERN/NA49

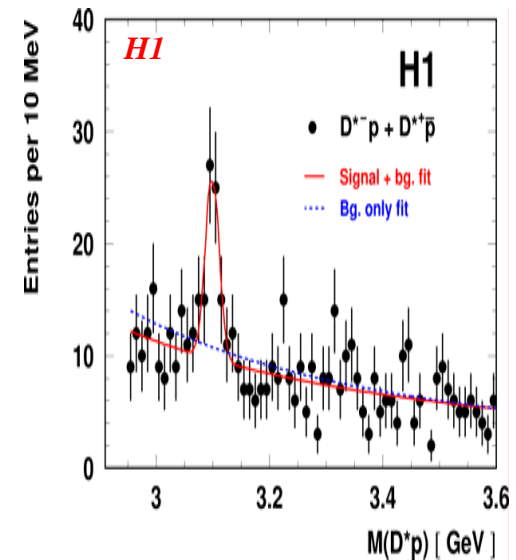


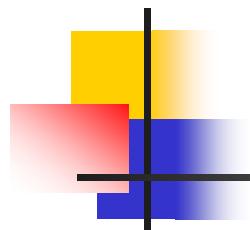
 **NA49** (CERN) claims Ξ^- (1862 MeV)
not confirmed by any other expt.



H1 (HERA) claims charmed PQ,

 not confirmed by (a.o.) ZEUS

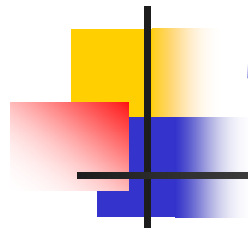




Disclaimer:

This talk is restricted to Θ^+ only:

config: $\{uudd\bar{s}\}$
predicted mass: 1540 MeV



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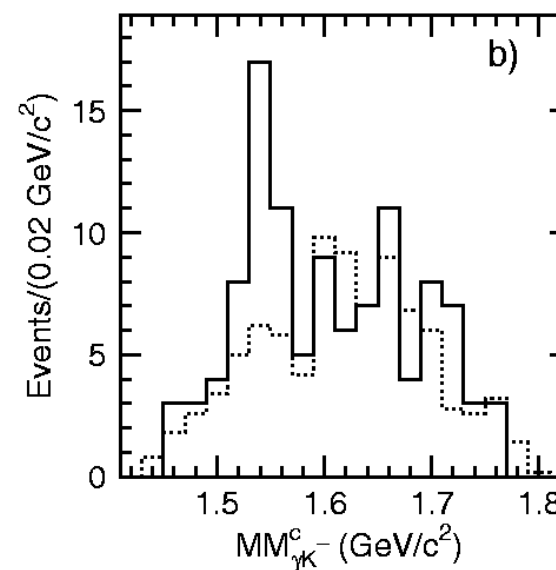
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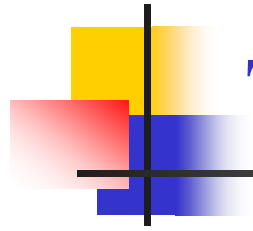
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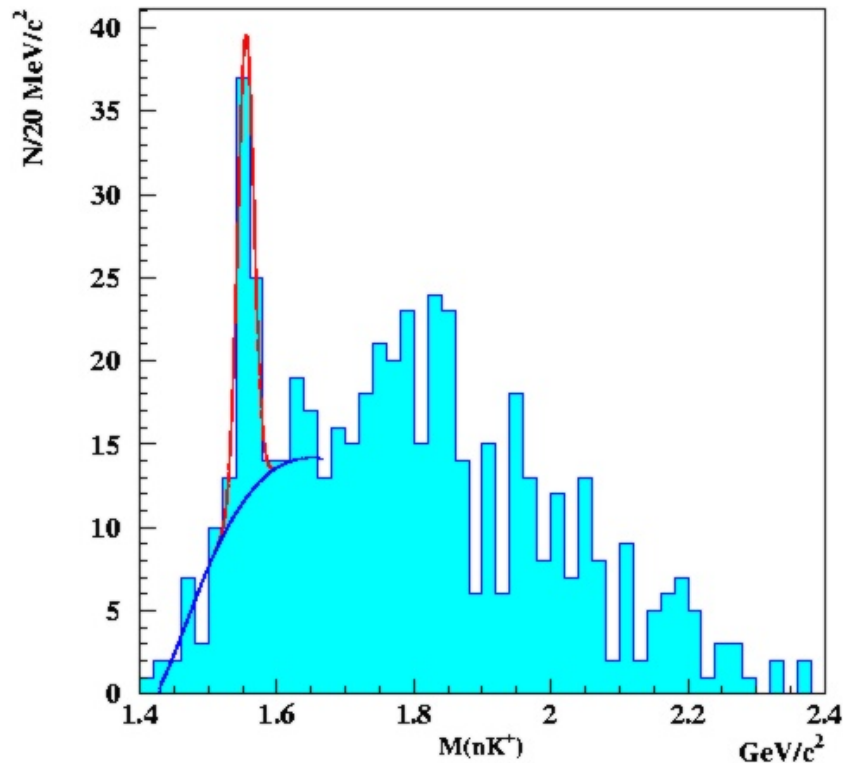
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**First observation on the
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(2004 !! thus old...)**

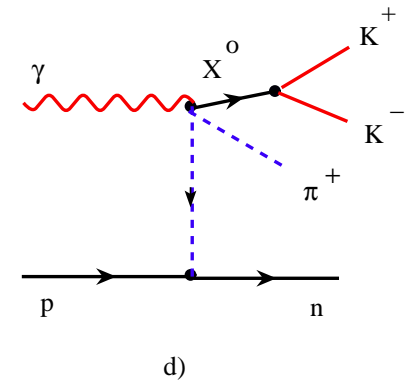
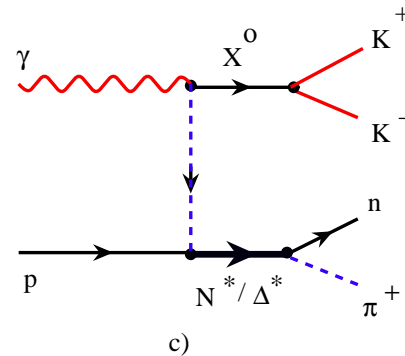
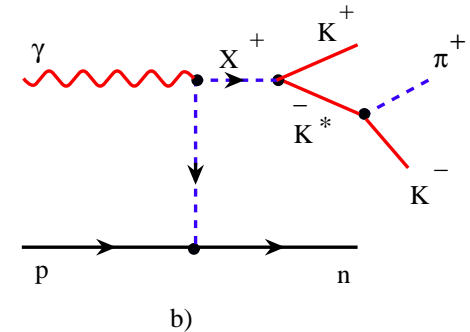
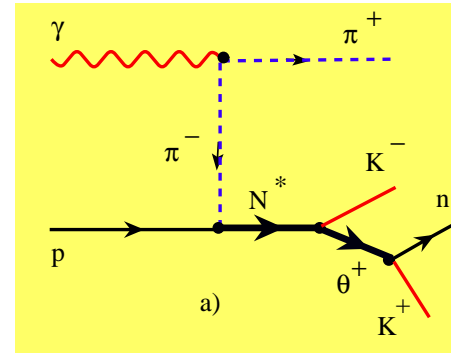
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$$\gamma p \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ K^+ (n)$$

V. Kubarovski et al., PRL92, 032001 (2004)



$M = (1.555 \pm 0.010) \text{ GeV}/c^2$
Statistical significance: $(7.8 \pm 1.0) \sigma$
 $\Gamma = 26 \text{ MeV}/c^2$



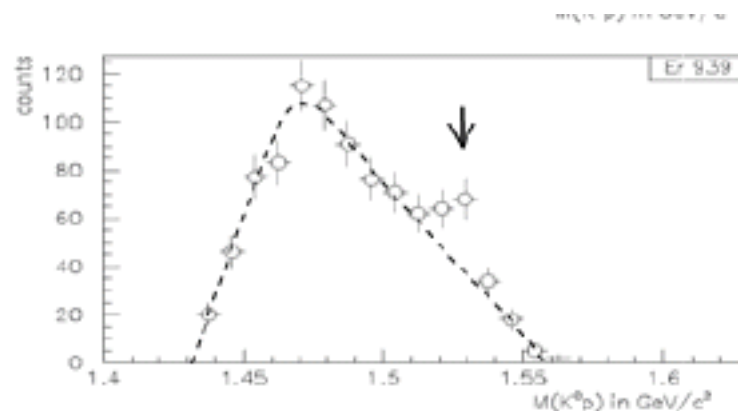
t-channel process a) selected and background processes eliminated with the cuts (c.m.):
 $\cos\theta_{\pi^+}^* > 0.8$ and $\cos\theta_{K^+}^* < 0.6$

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taken from: K. Hicks, Review
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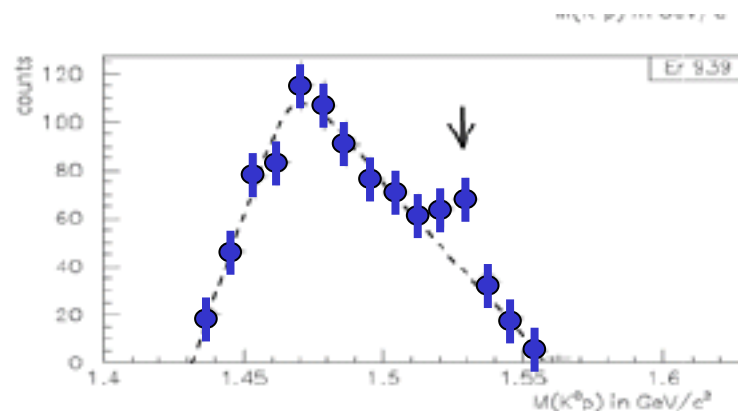


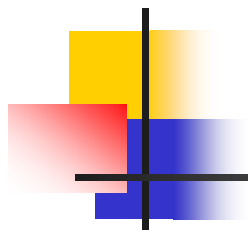
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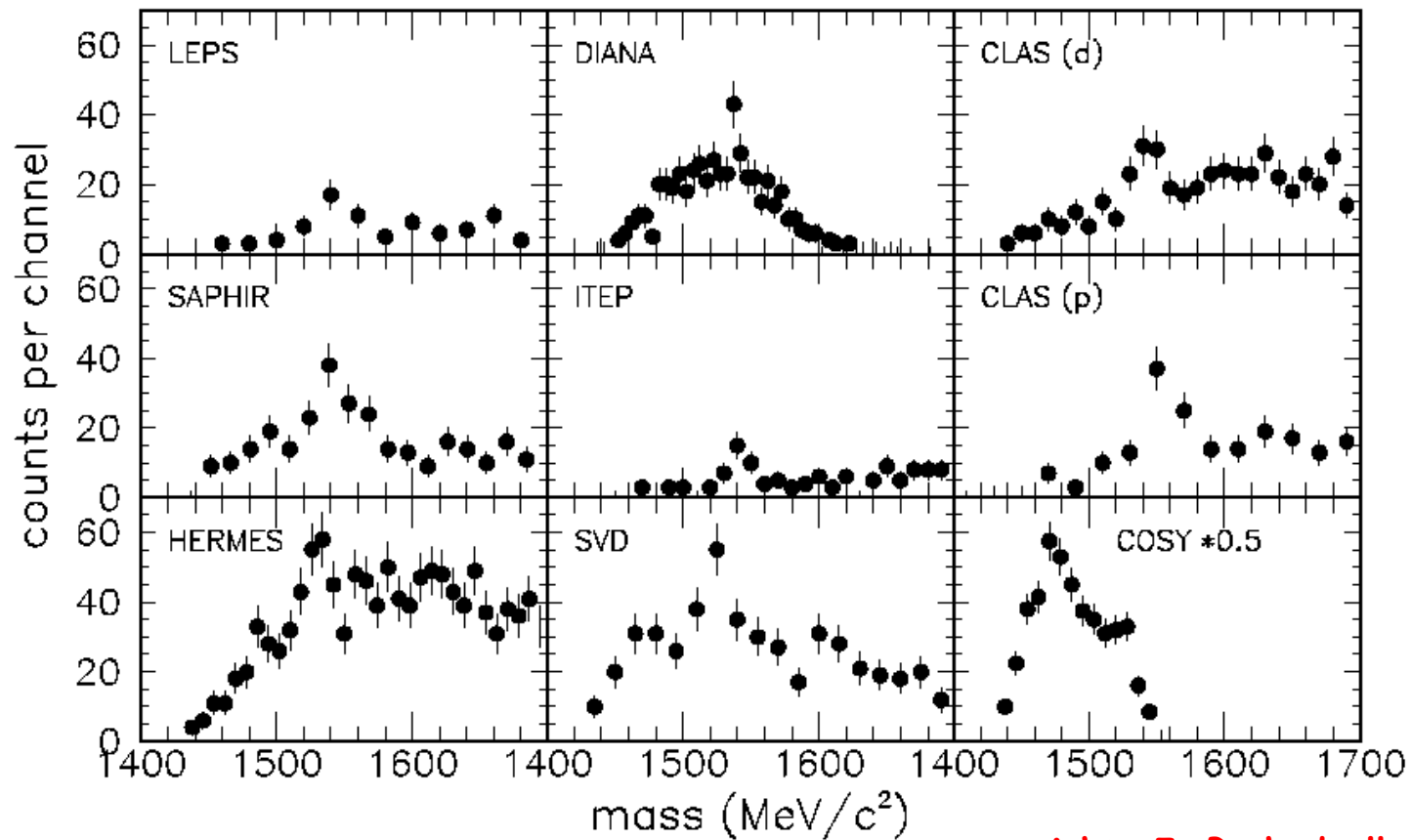


All sightings:

Synoptique view

with thanks to: J. Pochodzalla, 6/2004

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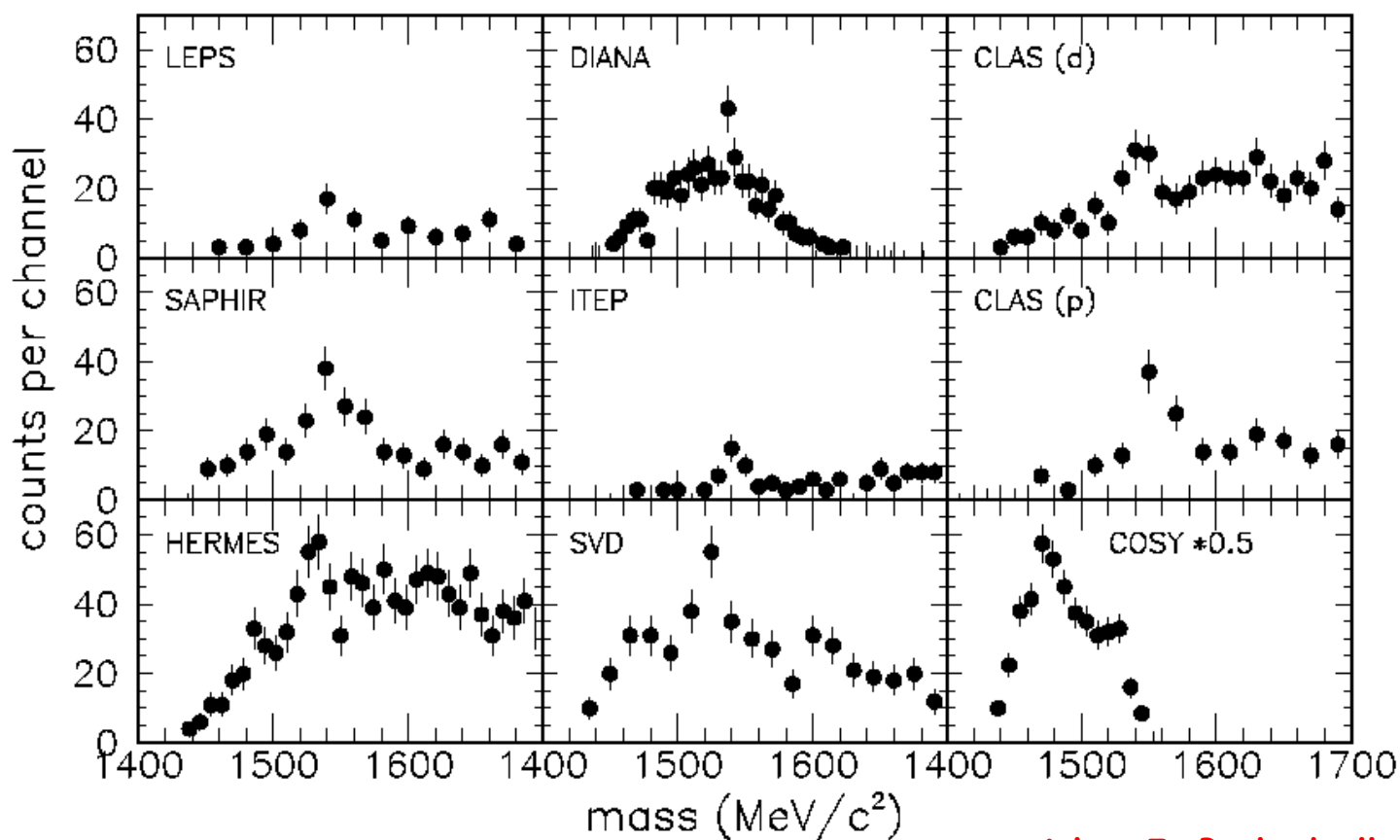


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available spectra rebinned to
one common scale.



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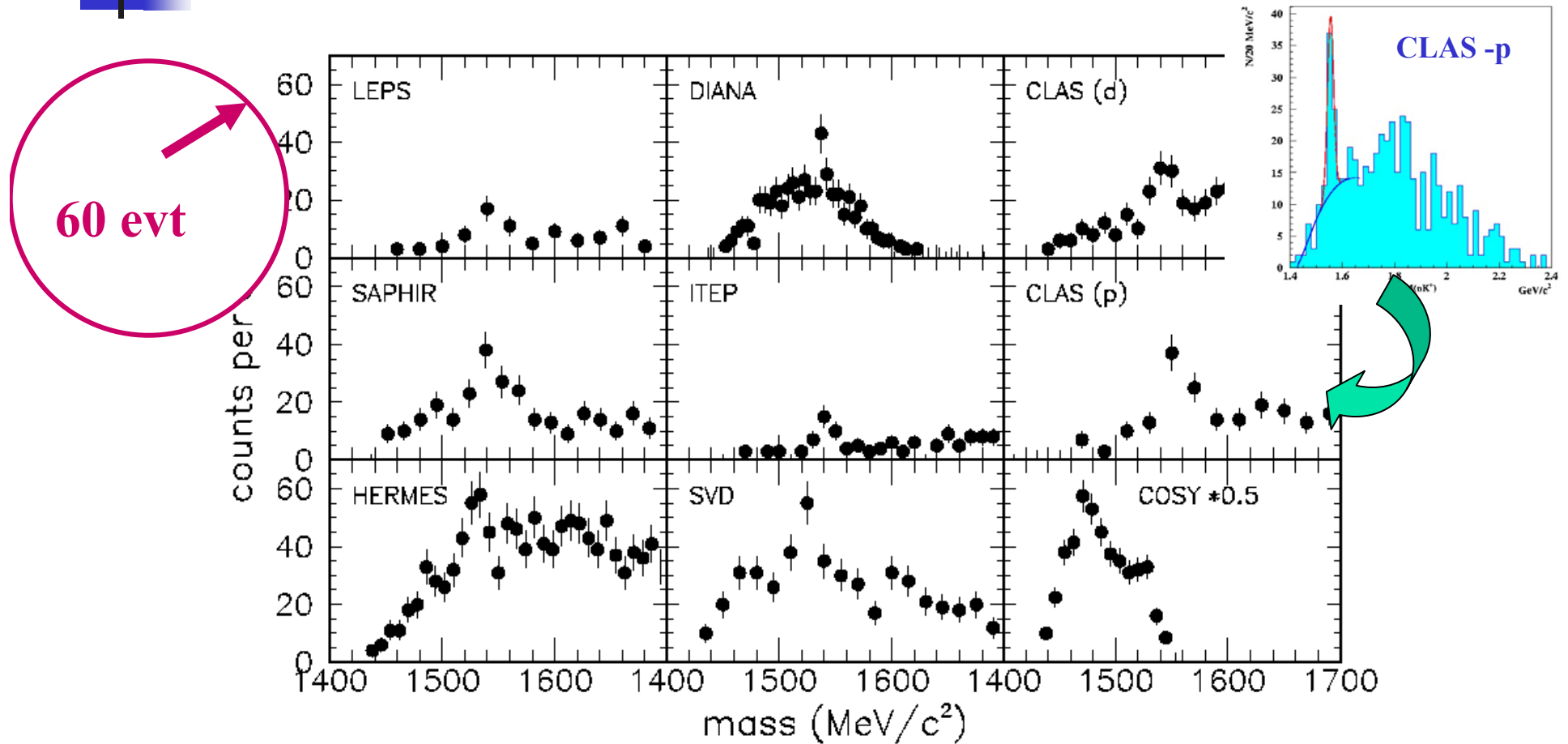
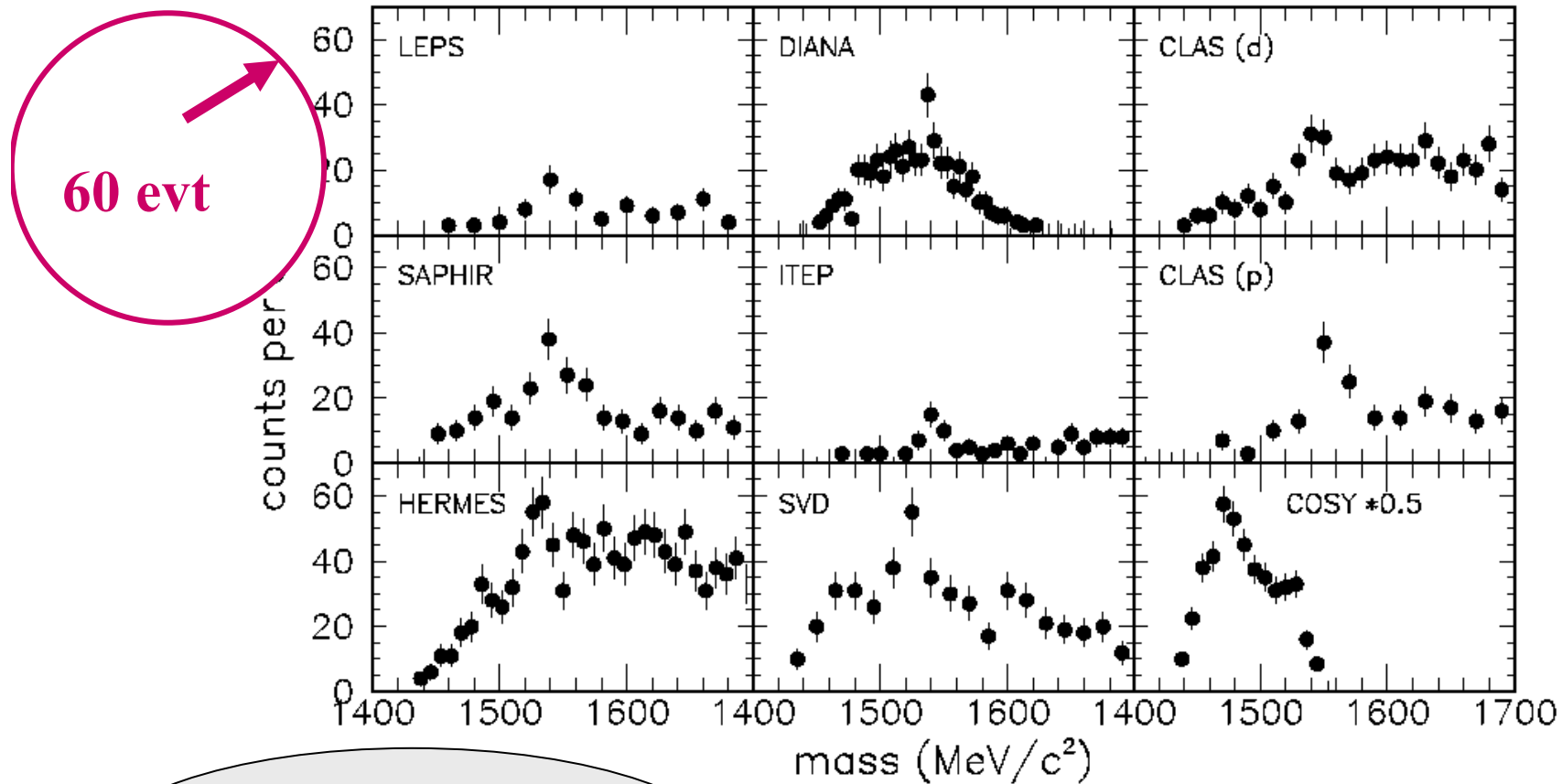


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since then no change: K. Hicks , Review, 15 Apr. 2005, ...



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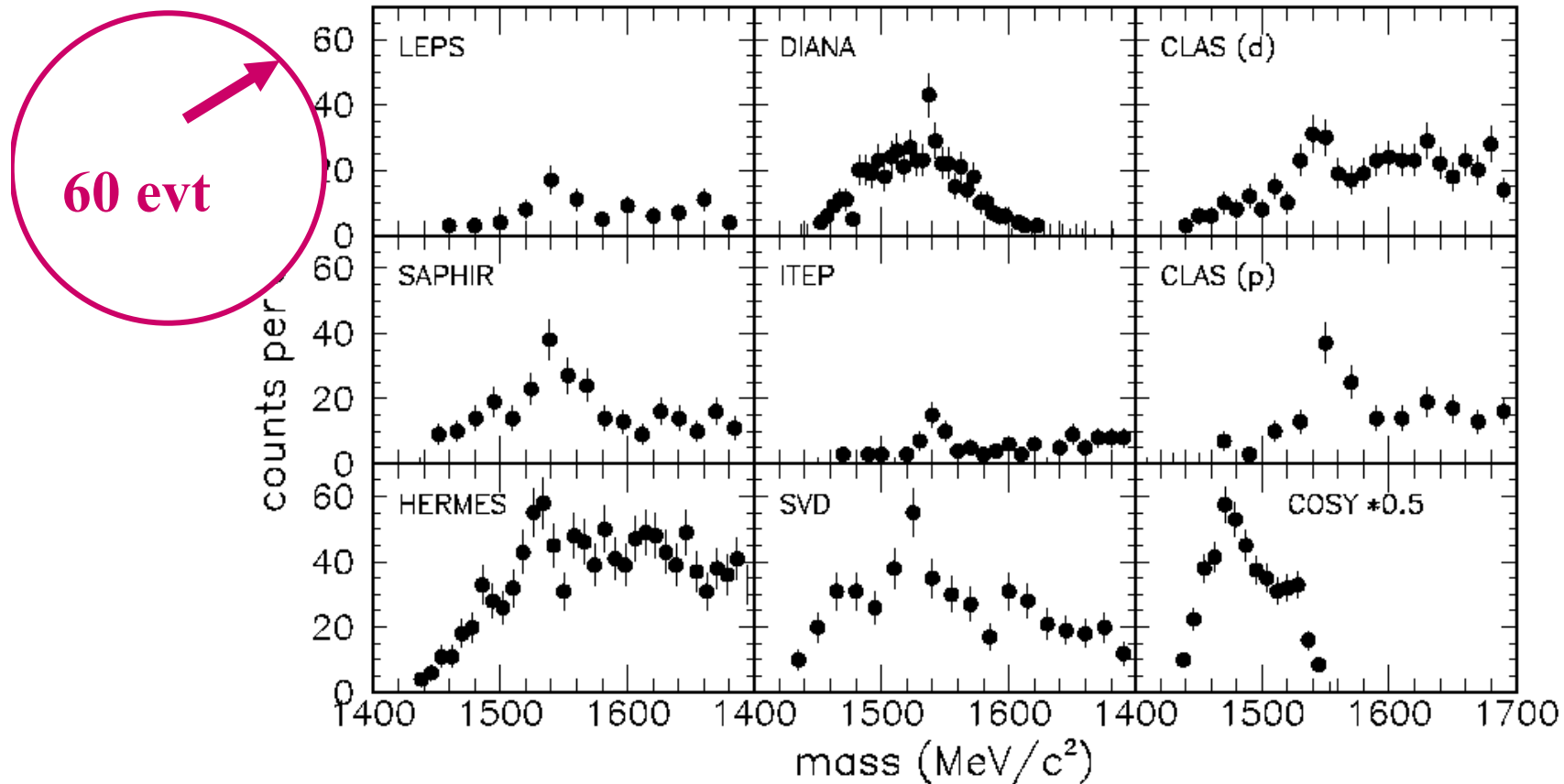


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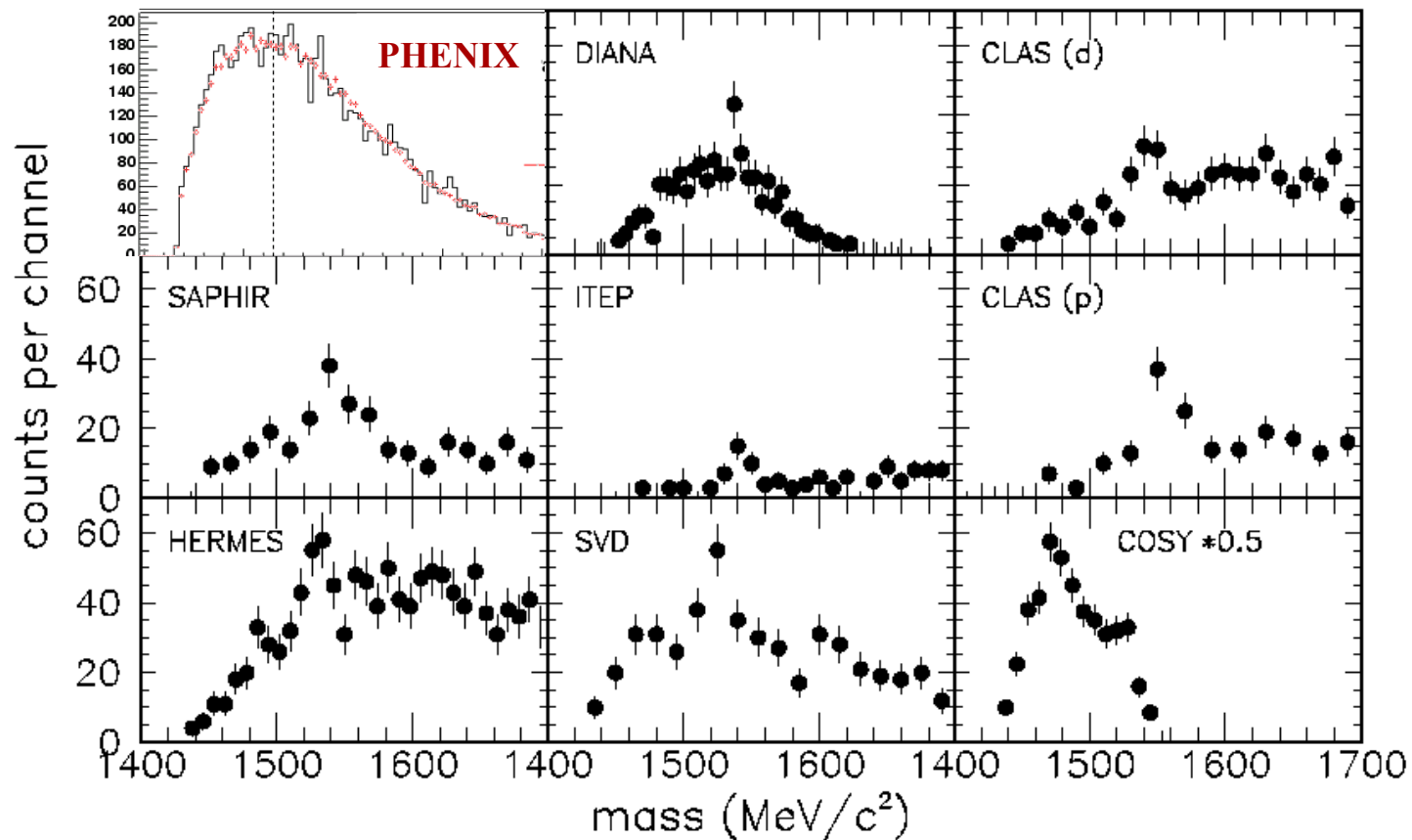


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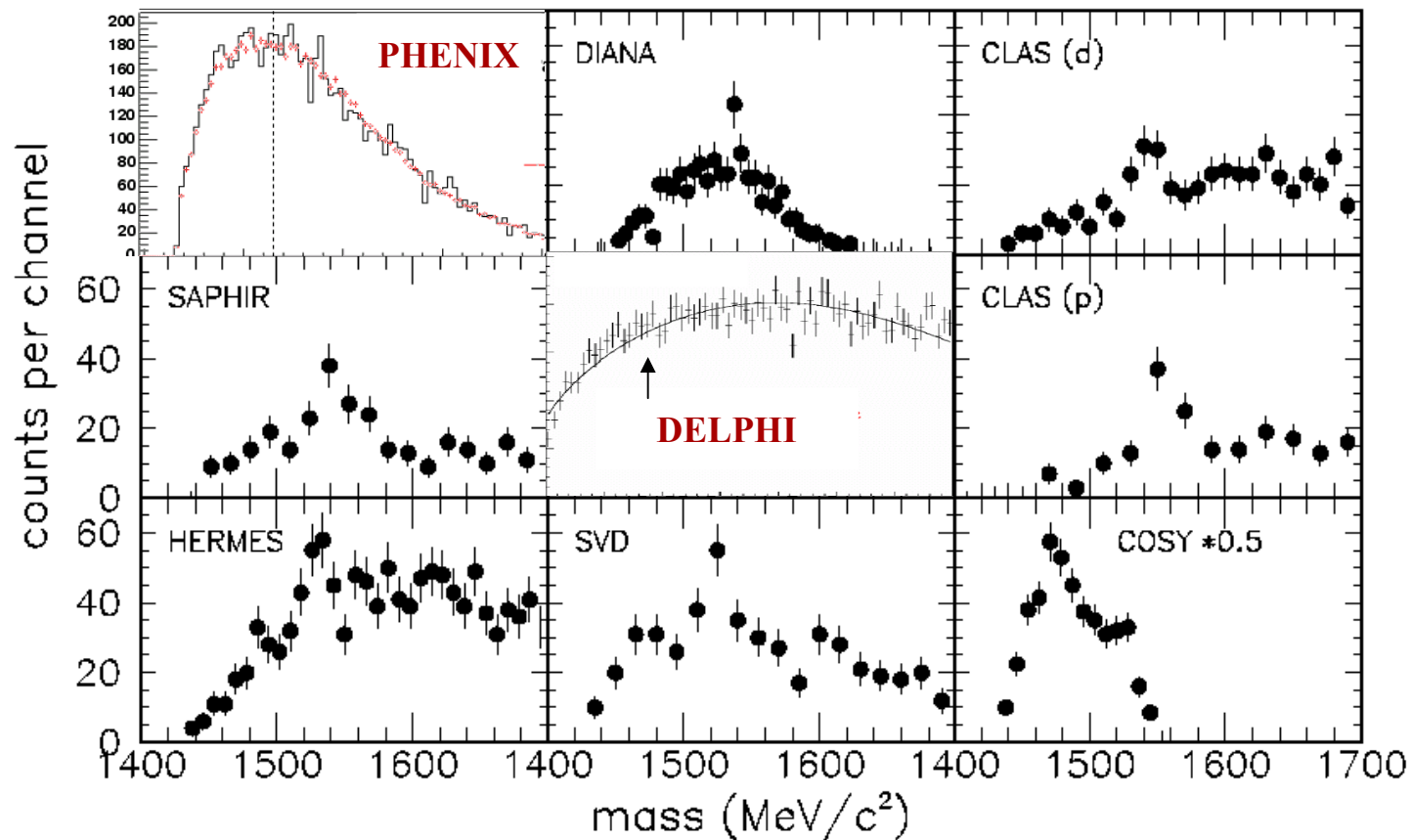


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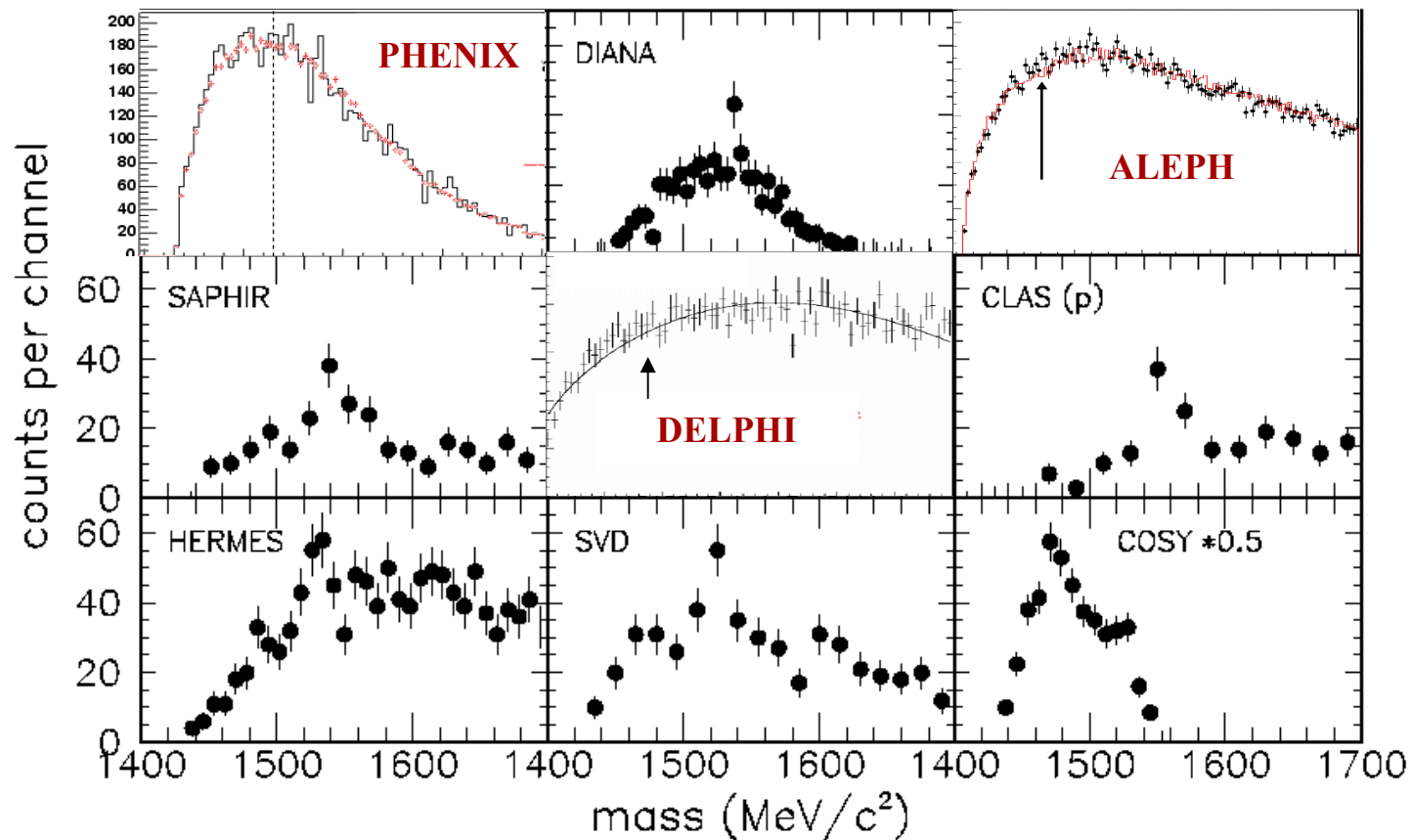


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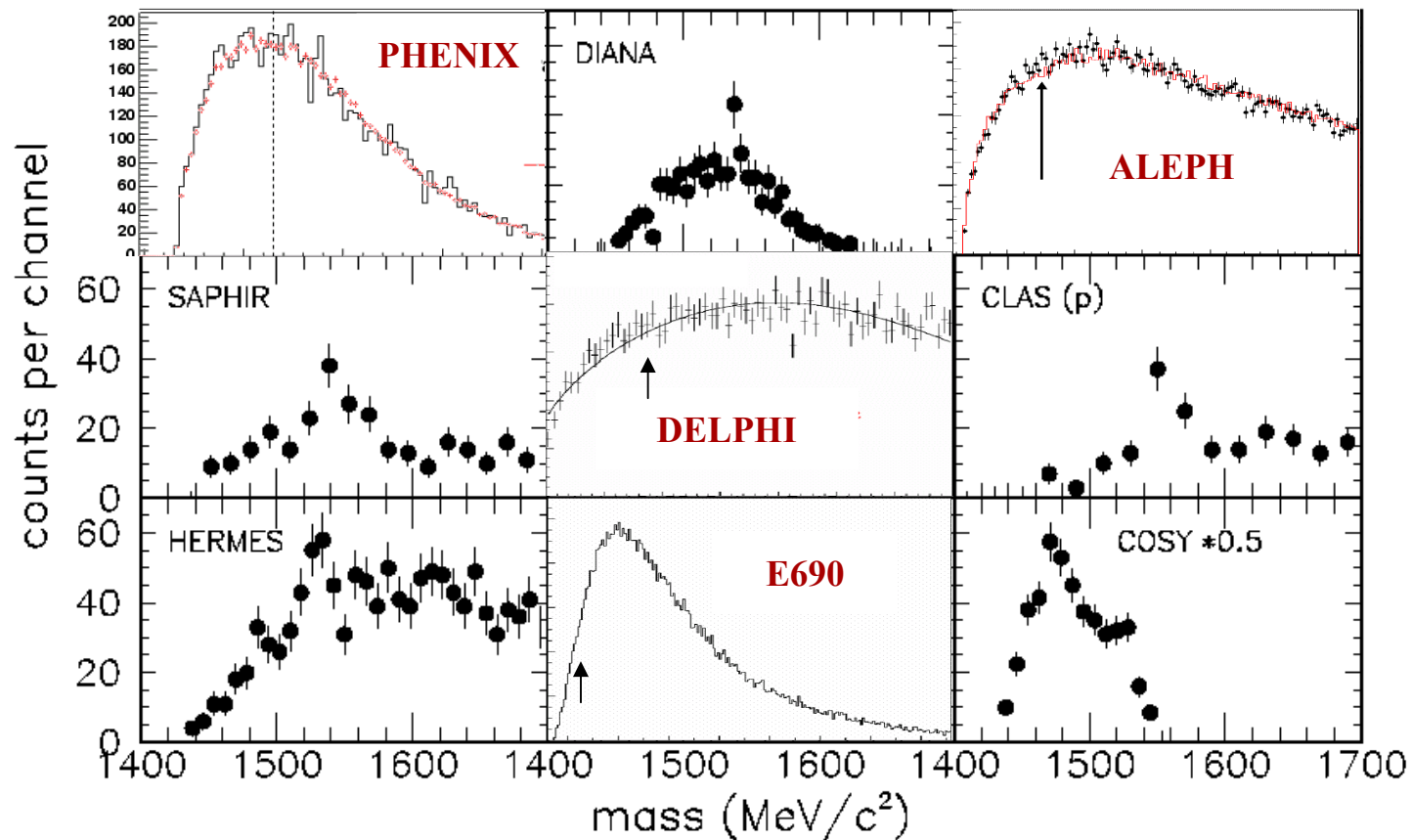
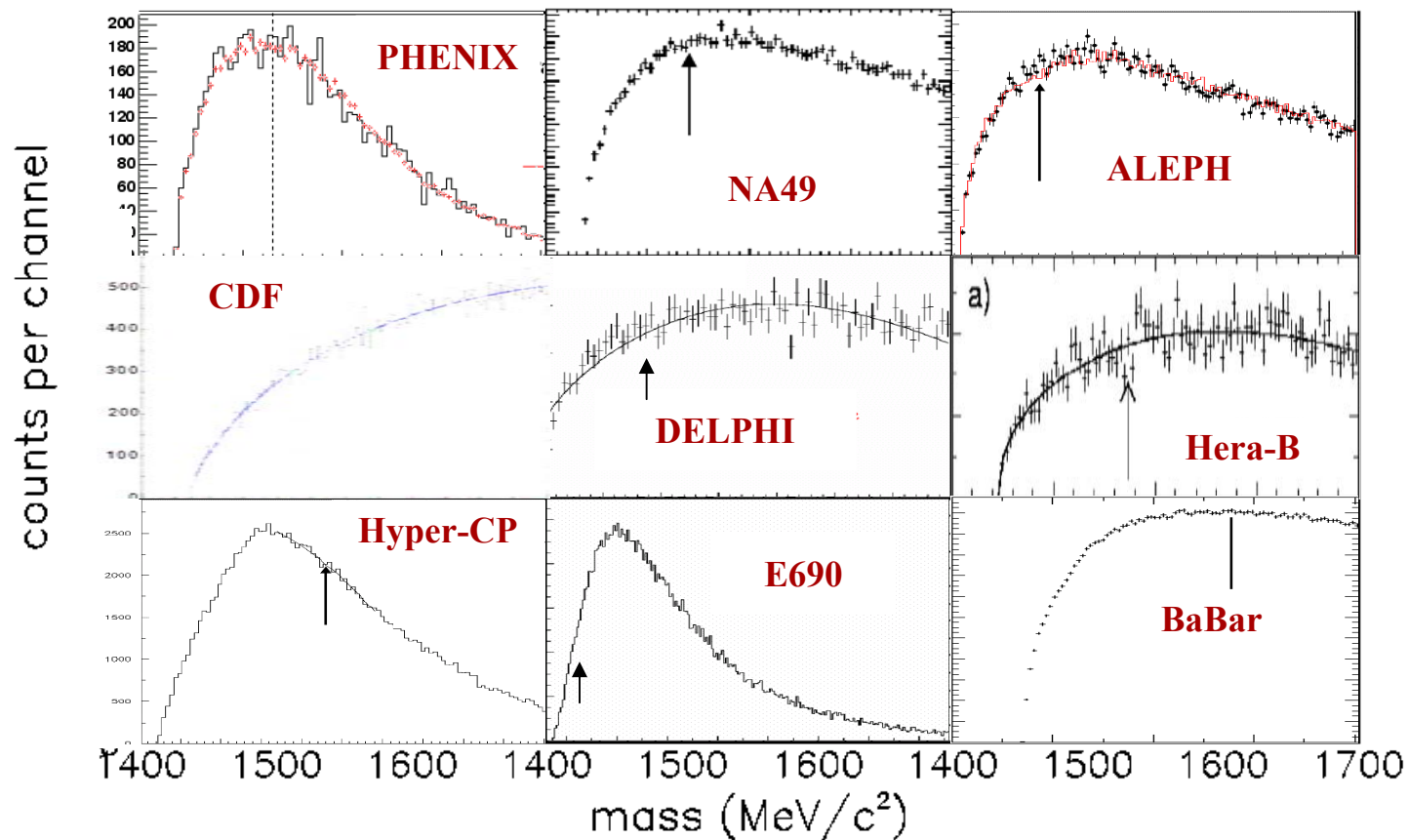


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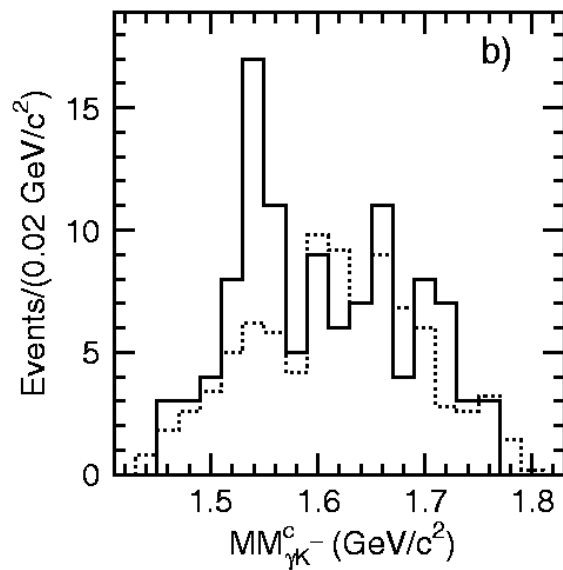


Note: arbitrary mass scale! – marker indicates 1530 MeV/c².

Note the much higher statistics compared to the sightings!!!

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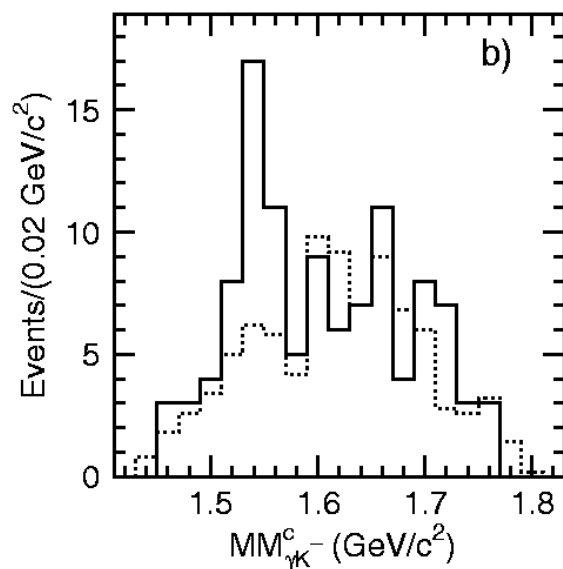


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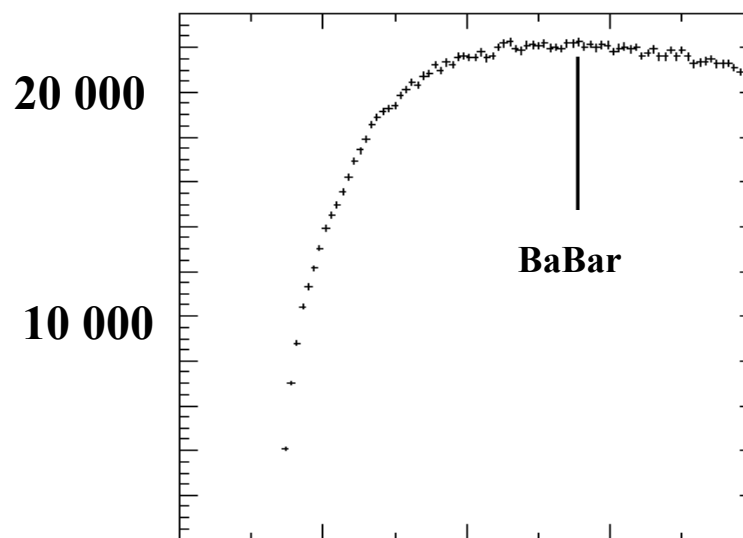
The strongest
non-sighting

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BaBar



no evidence for Θ^+ -state;
22 000 events per 2 MeV.

BaBar as a specific example

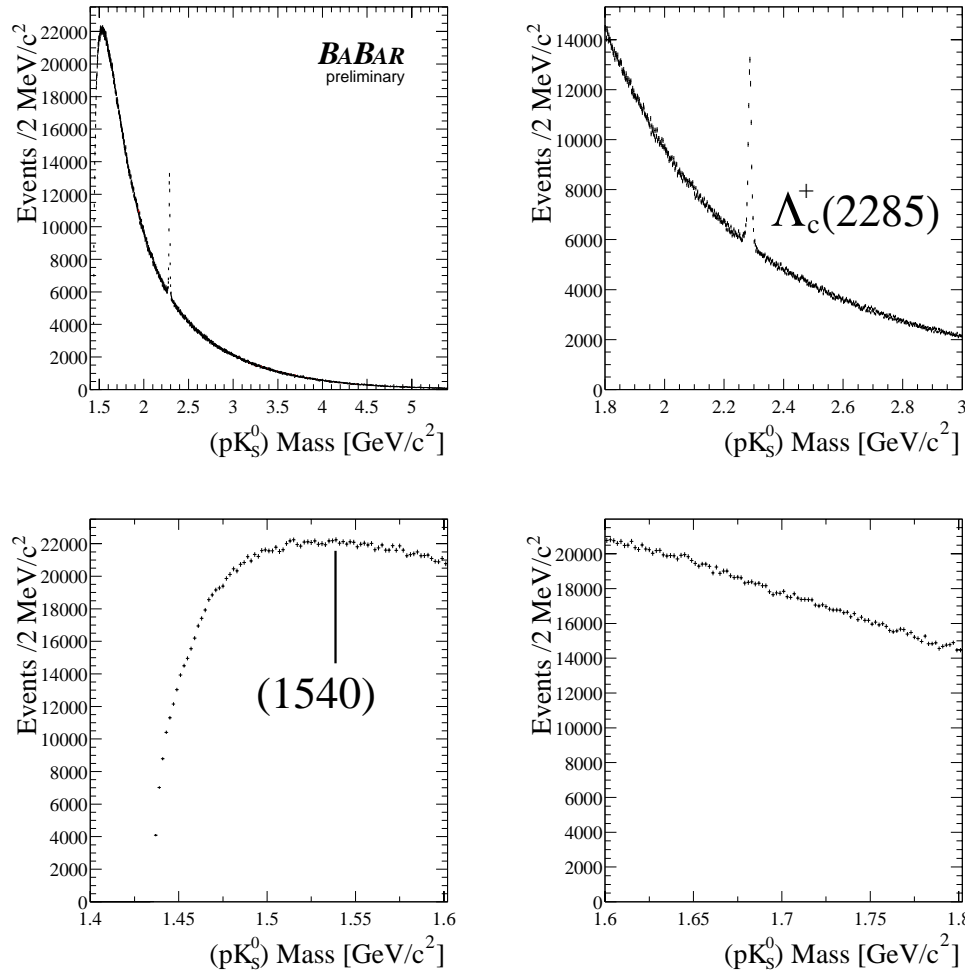


Figure 2: Distribution of the pK_s^0 invariant mass for combinations satisfying all the criteria described in the text. The same data are plotted four times in different pK_s^0 mass regions.

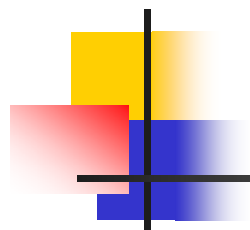
- Note: $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K_s$;
- BR $\sim 2.5\%$;
- at 1.54 GeV/c^2 :
- $> 20\,000$ evts/2 MeV/c²;



BaBar as a specific example:

- $e^+ e^-$ collision ,
 - \rightarrow no bias in production process.
- very high statistics;
- very clean events.

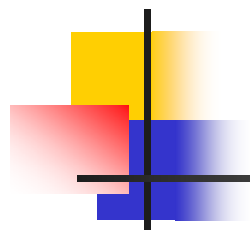
- very strong Λ_c^+ signal: $\sim 50\,000$ events
- no sign of Θ^+
 - in spite of favourable BR $\text{BR}(\Theta^+/\Lambda_c^+) \approx 10$
- no signal appears when strangeness compensating particle required (or similar conditions).



Sensitivity of non-Sightings


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Assignment of Sensitivity somewhat unclear,

based on “hand waving arguments” (no good calculation yet) :

- **”must get the 5 quarks localized in space with small velocity.”**

However,

- COSY (p-A) good,
→ but all other hadronic interactions bad?
- BaBar produces Λ_c^+ with BR 10 smaller,
and studied hadronic IA as well ...

Unknown



PHENIX

(RHIC)

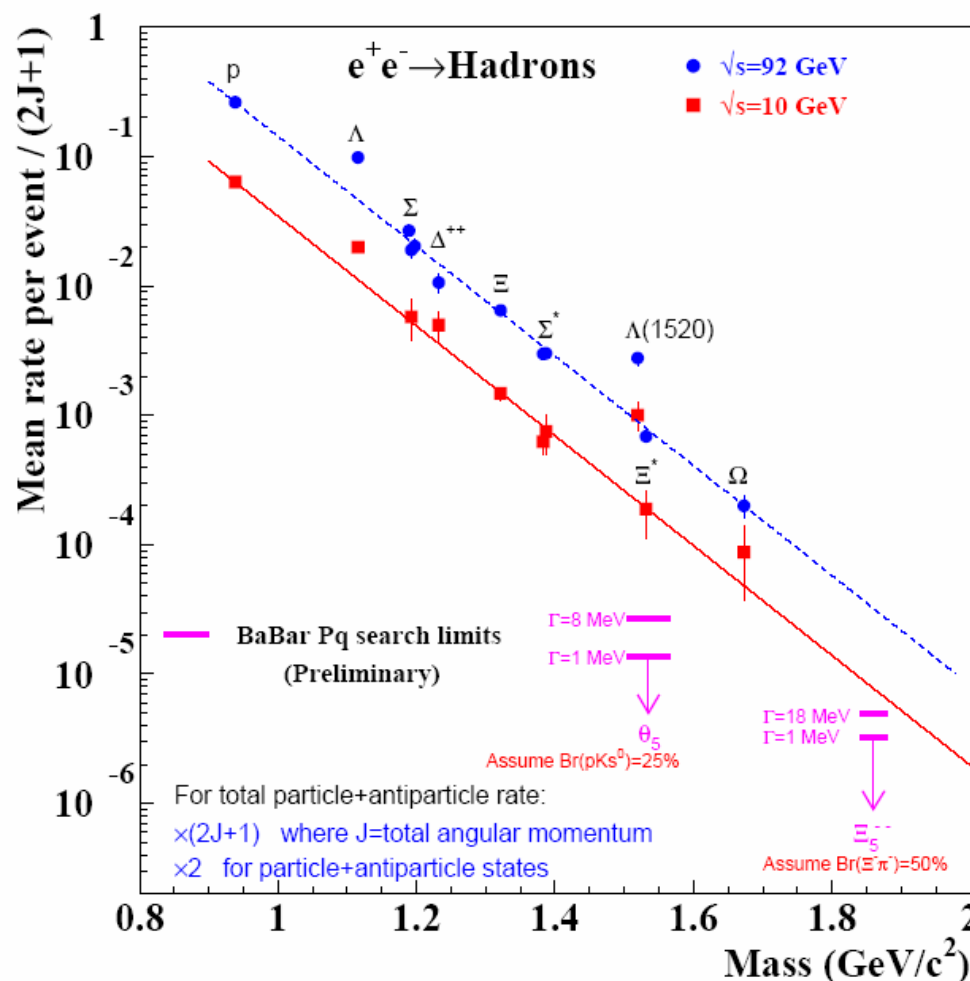
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Hadron production in e^+e^-

**Taken from
M. Amarian**



Slope:

Pseudoscalar mesons:

$\sim 10^{-2}/\text{GeV}/c^2$ (need to generate one $q\bar{q}$ pair)

Baryons:

$\sim 10^{-4} / \text{GeV}/c^2$
(need to generate two pairs)

Pentaquarks:

$\sim 10^{-8} / \text{GeV}/c^2$ (?) (need to generate 4 pairs)

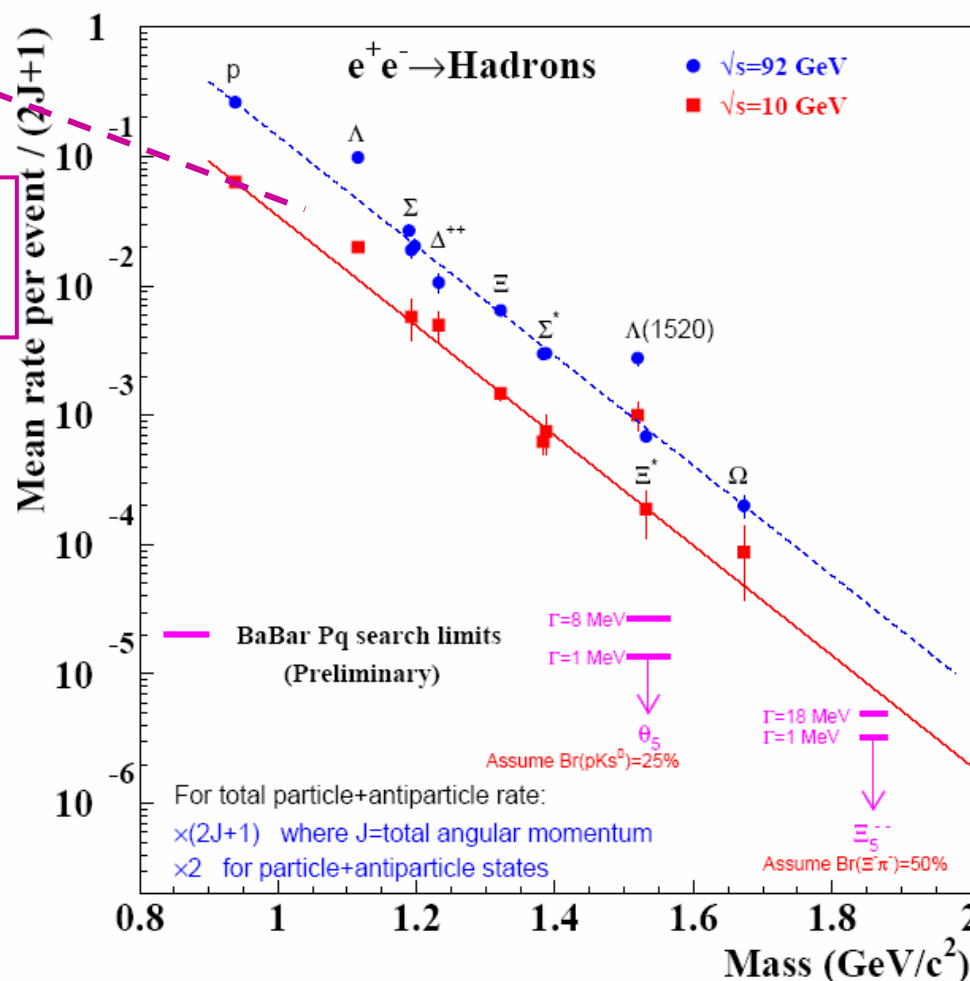
Pentaquark production in direct e^+e^- collisions likely requires orders of magnitudes higher rates than available.



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Slope for p.s.
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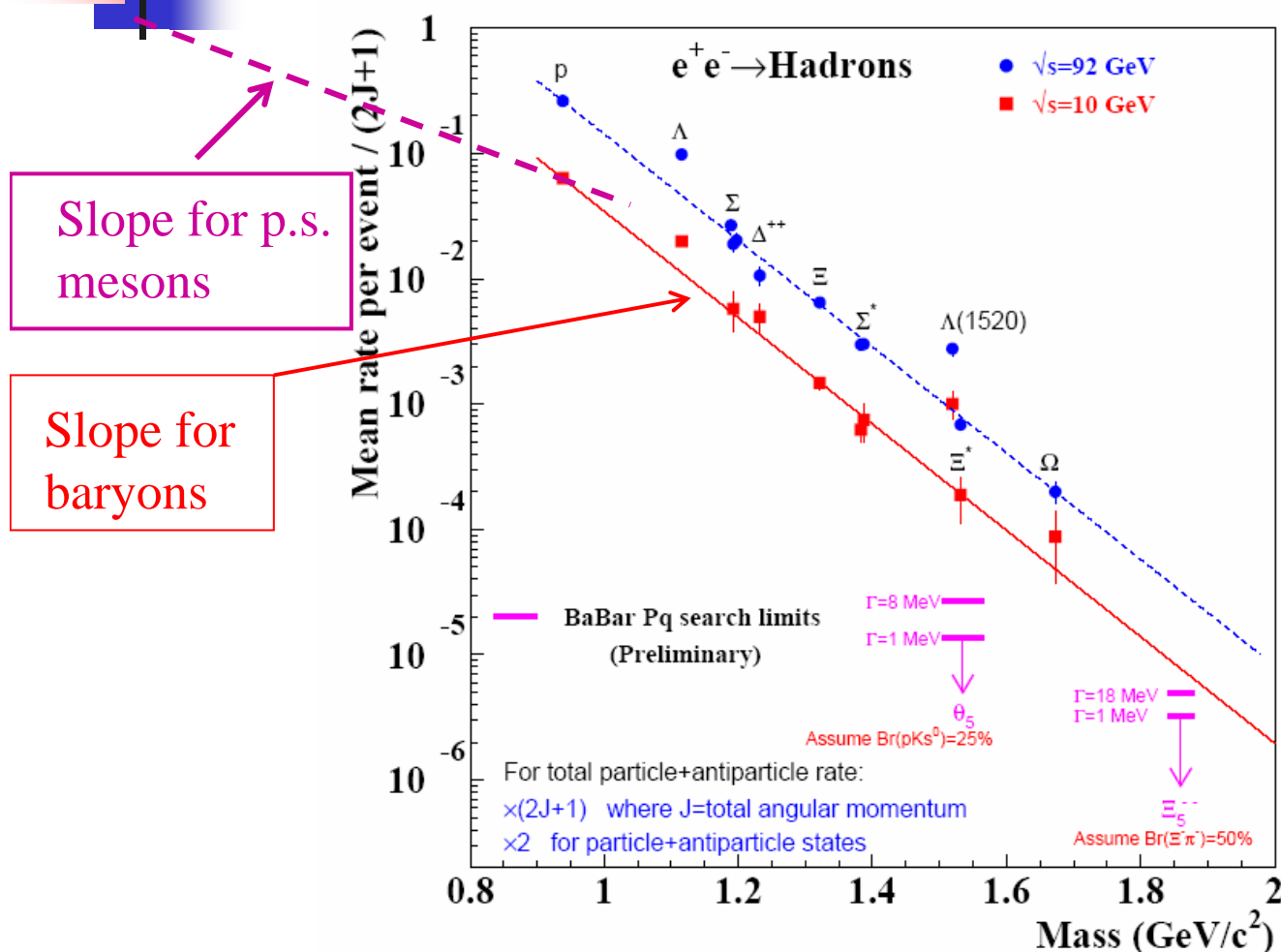
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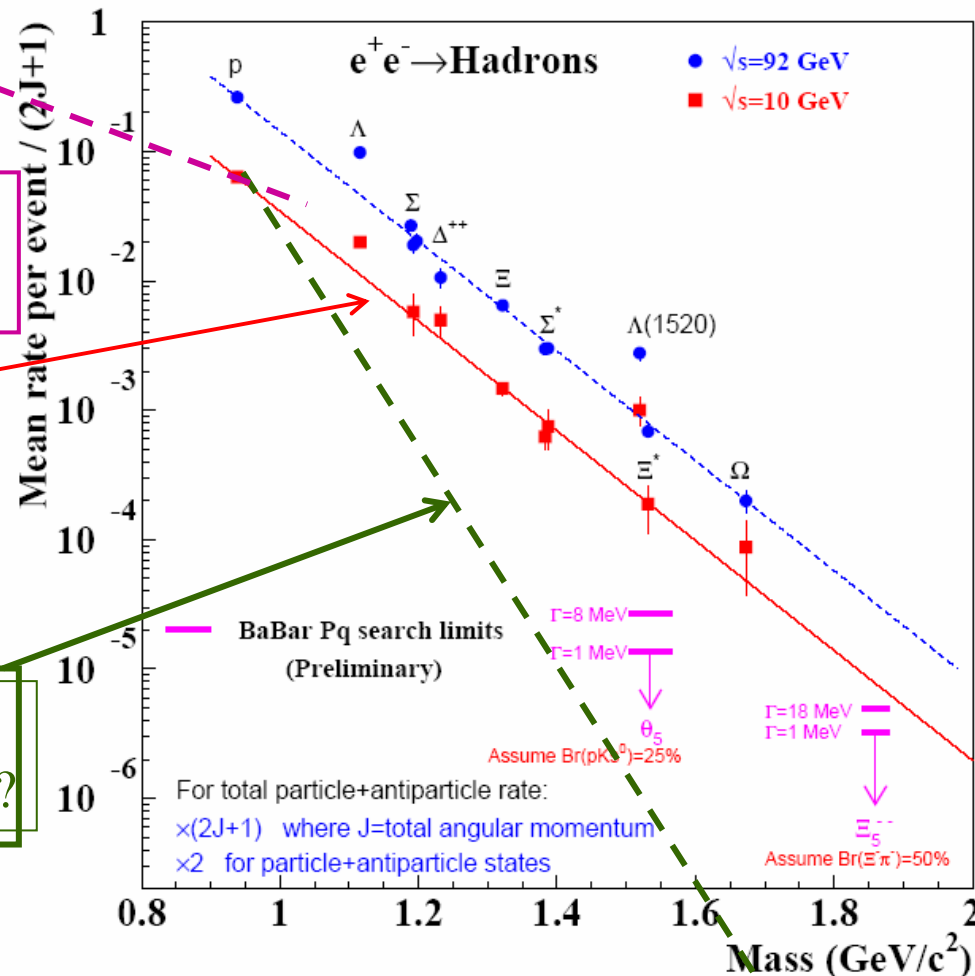
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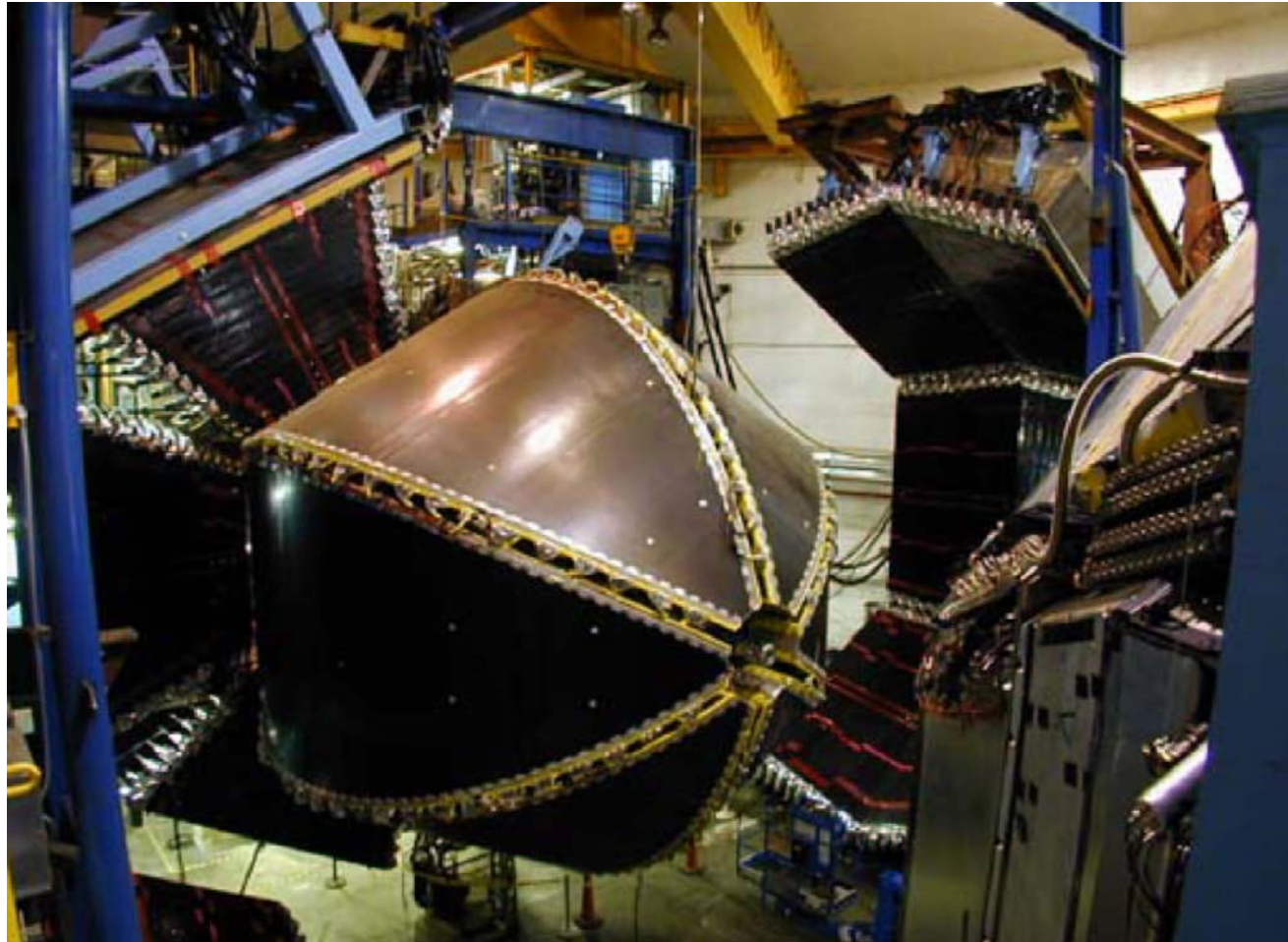
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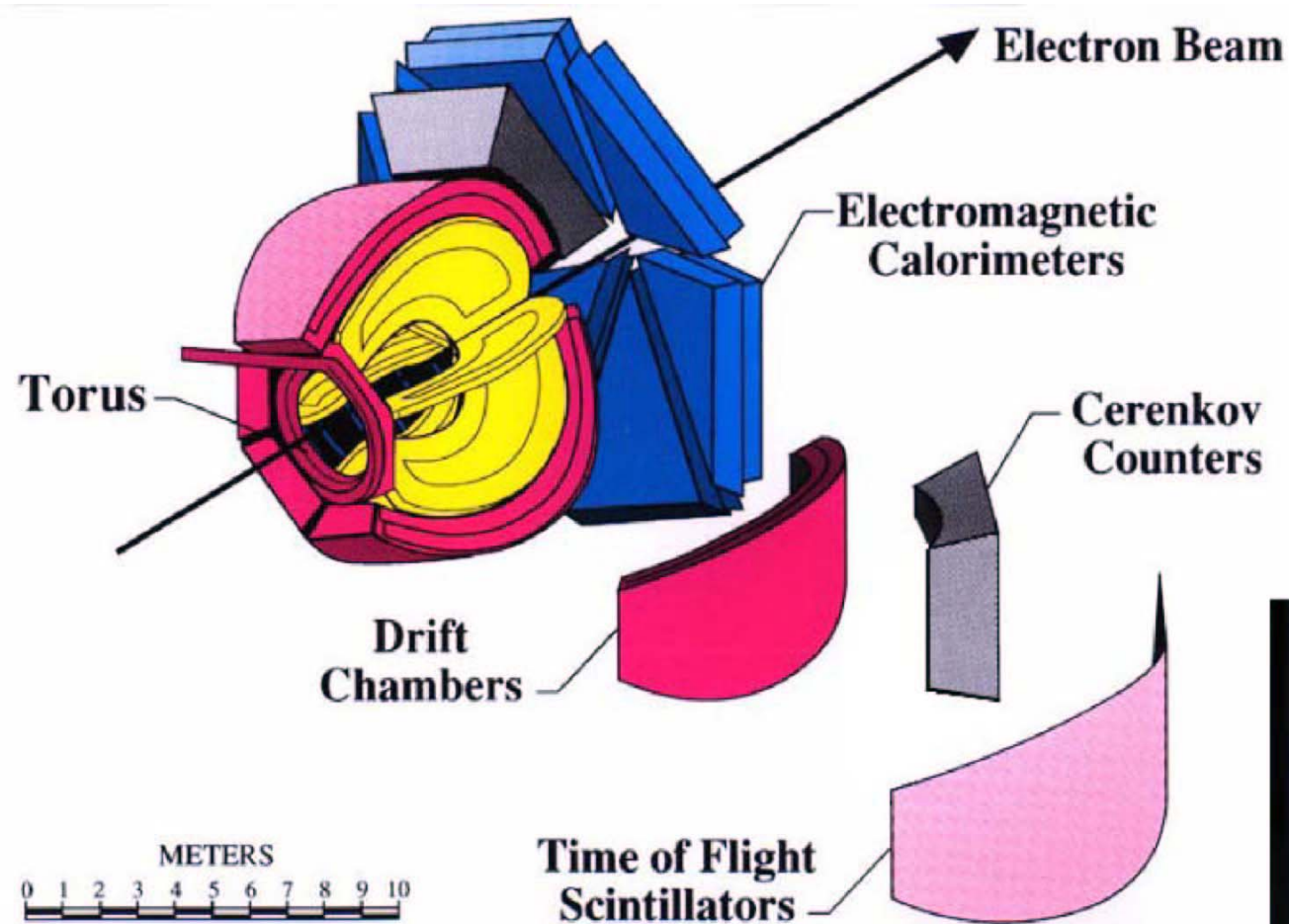
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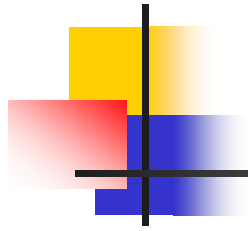
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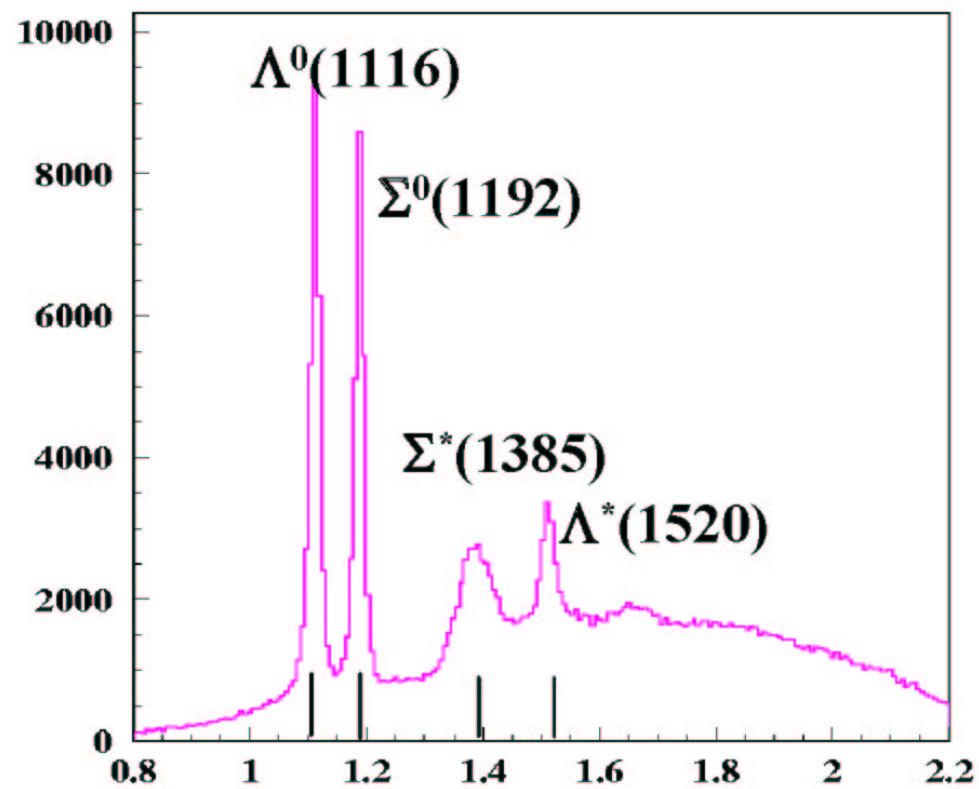
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$(\gamma + {}^2\text{D}, \gamma + {}^1\text{H})$

Some salient features:

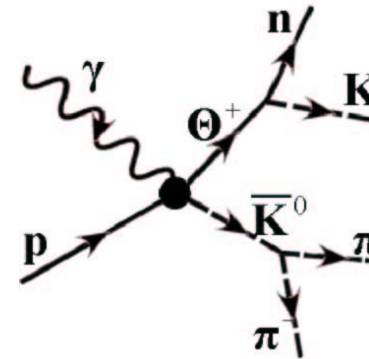
- Large acceptance experiment, several years of operation;
- domain: Baryon resonances;
- $E_\gamma < 2.9 \text{ GeV}$ and $< 5 \text{ GeV}$, (respectively)
- H_2 target and ${}^2\text{D}$ target ;
- PID through ToF and magnetic field;
- Correction for Fermi-motion (when needed).

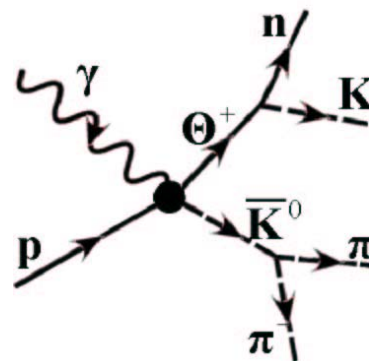
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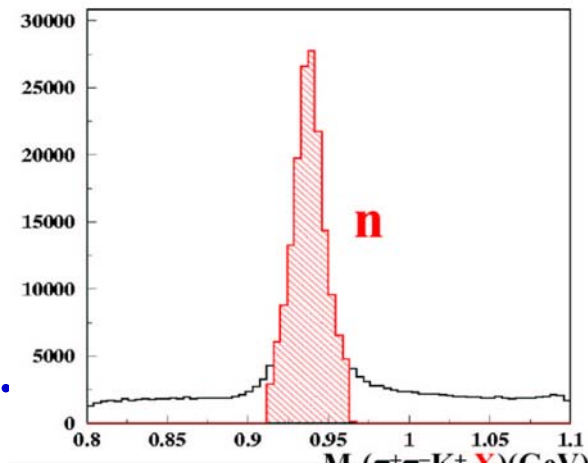
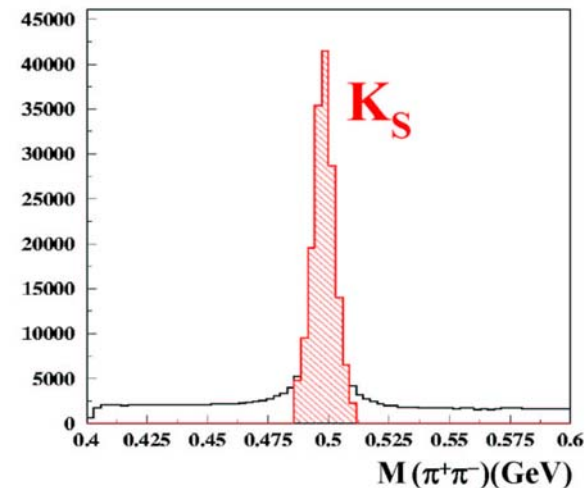
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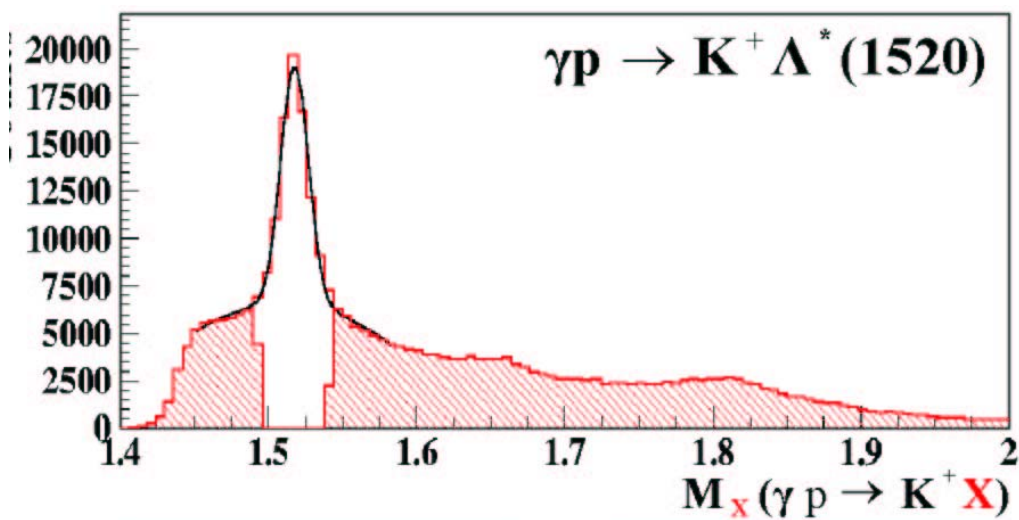
- 7 * 10⁹ events recorded
- Luminosity ~ 70 pb⁻¹
- 10 times more statistics than previous run.





- K^0 via K_S ;
- final state through missing mass;
- strangeness tagging via K^+ ;
- Full statistics \rightarrow 120 000 evts.

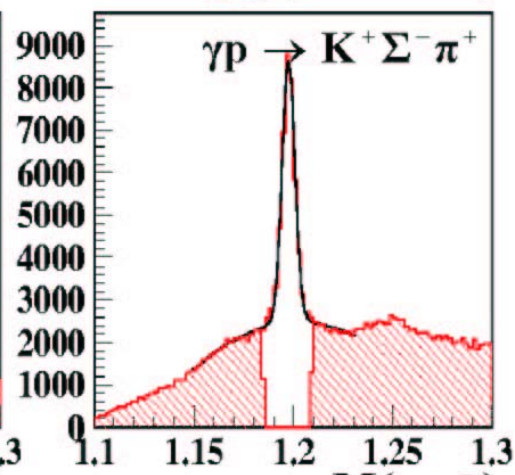
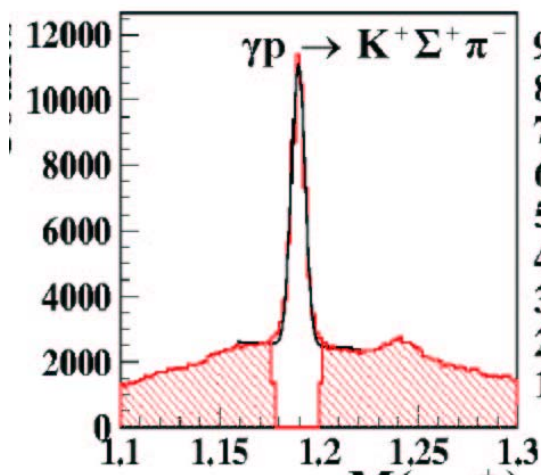




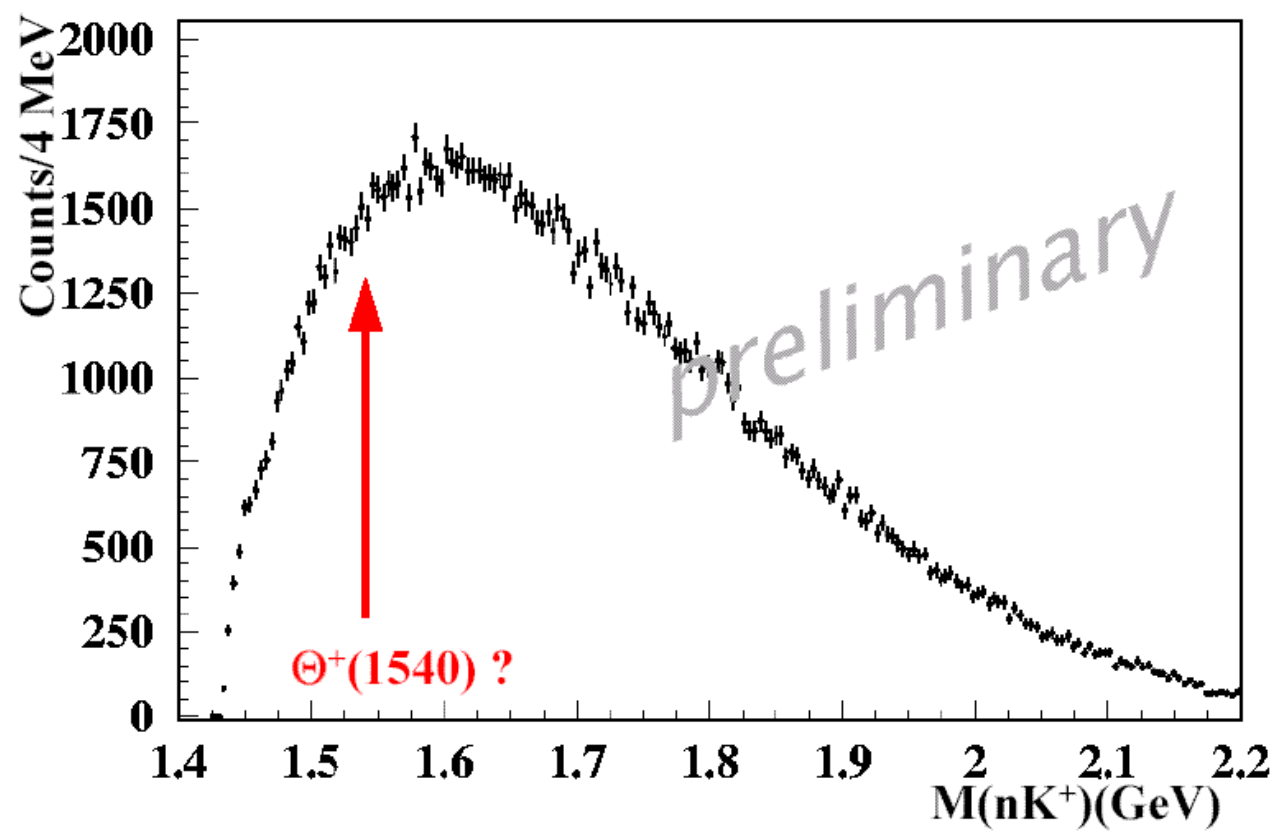
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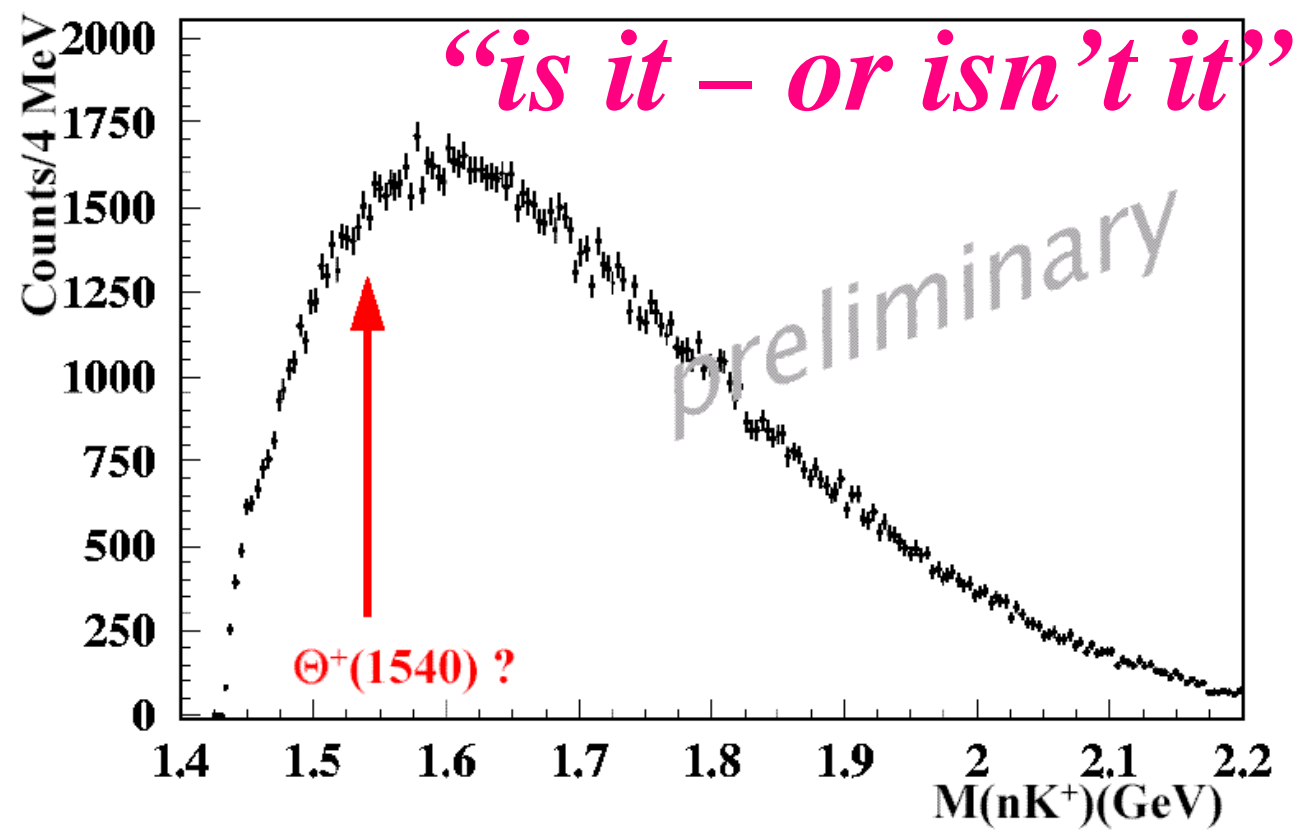
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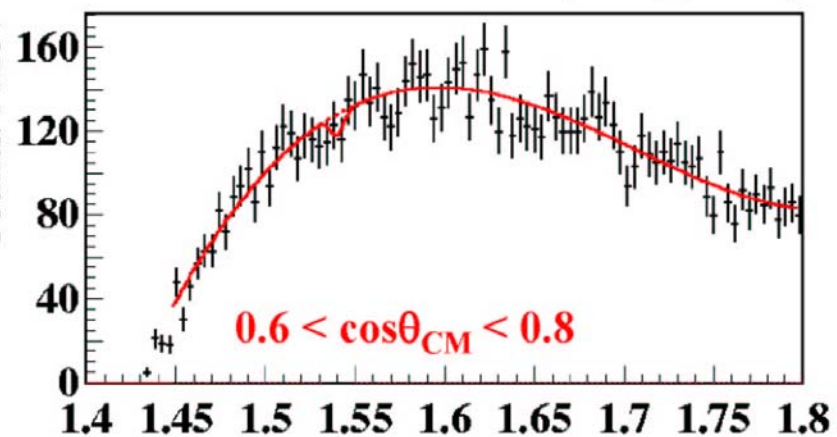
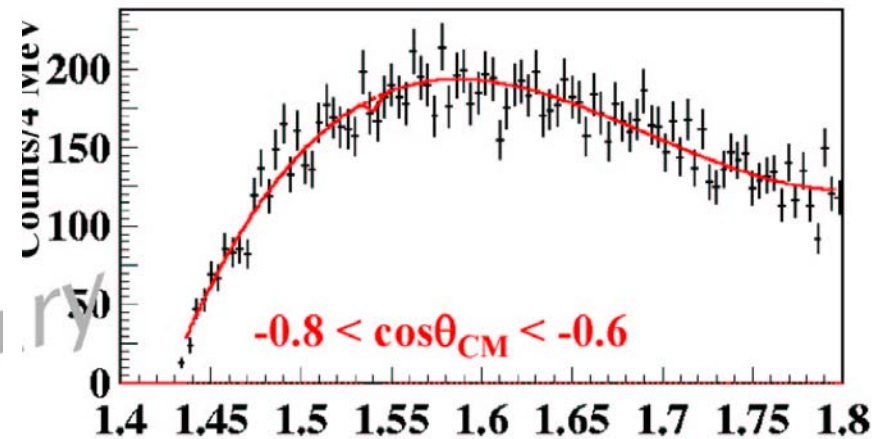
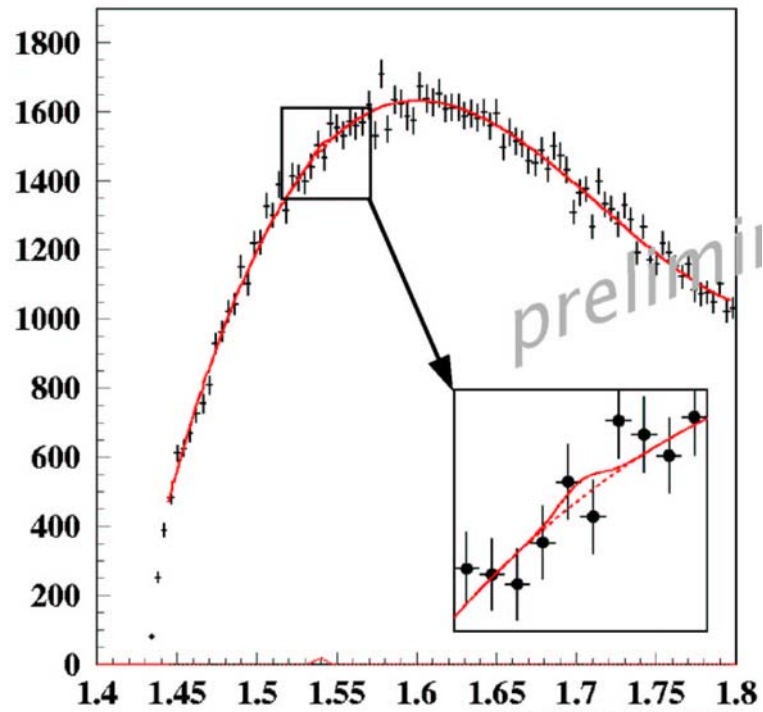


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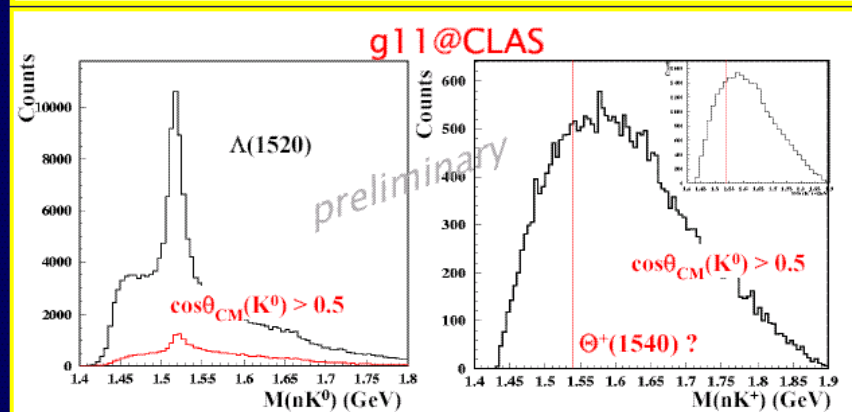
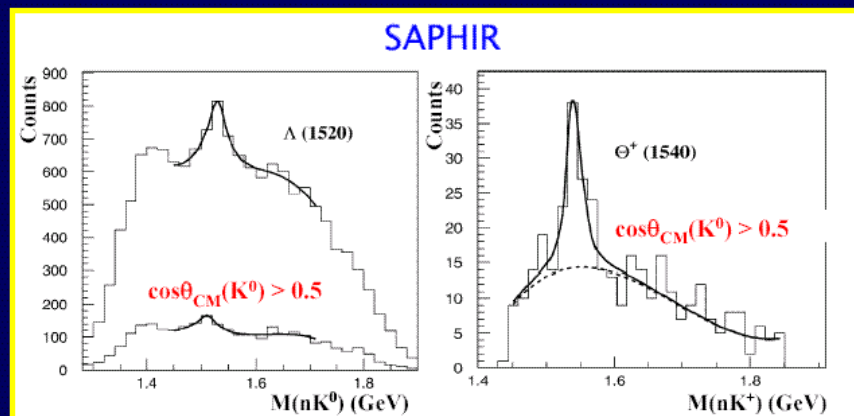
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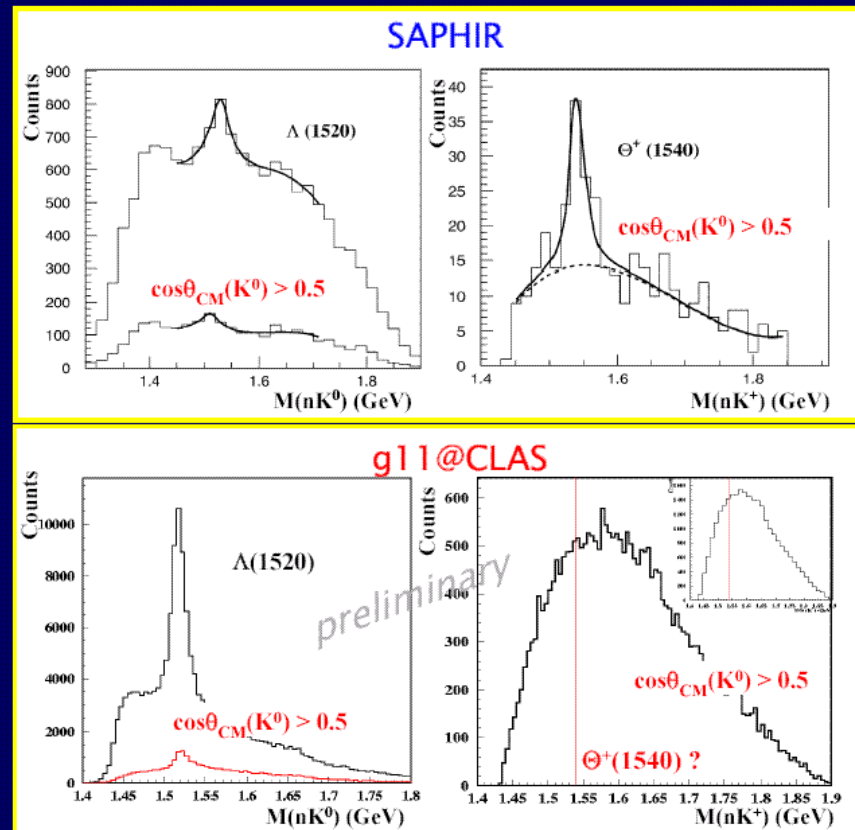
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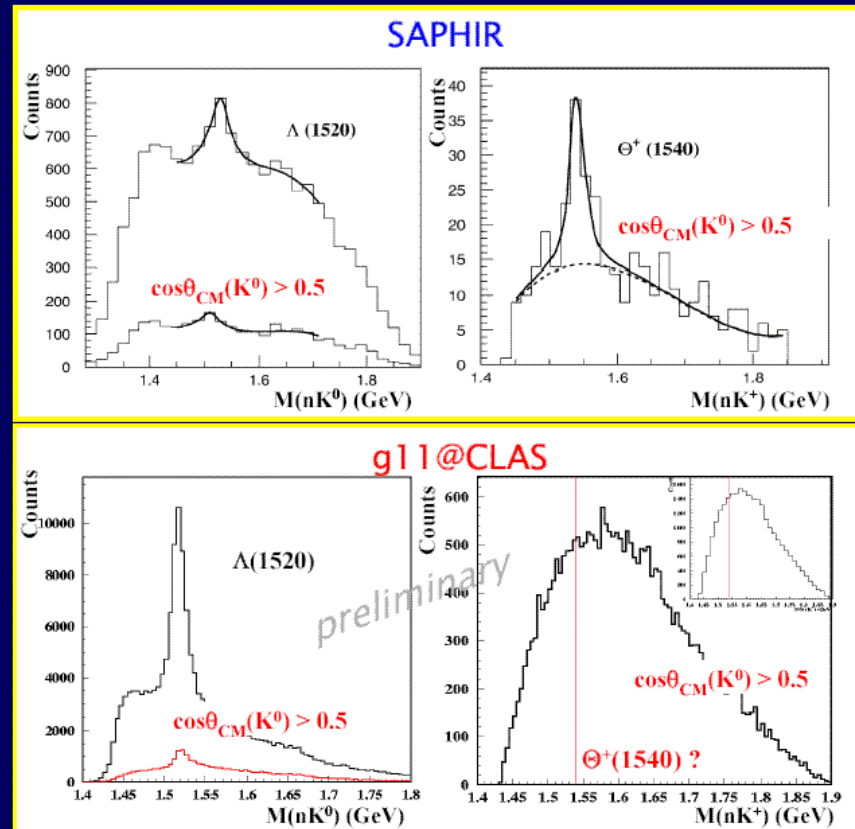
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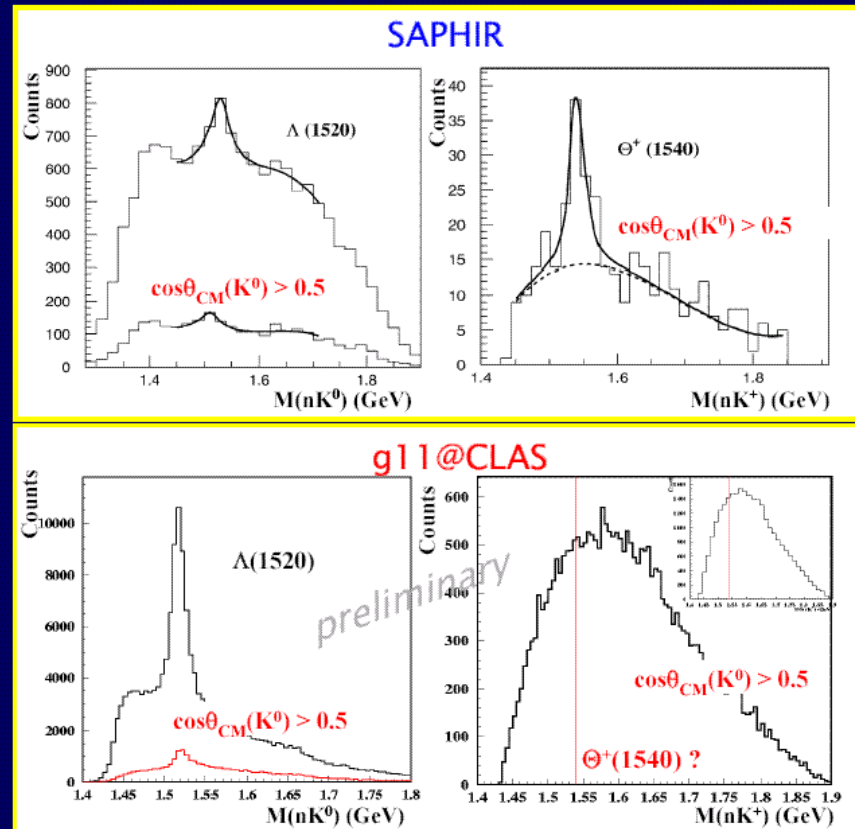
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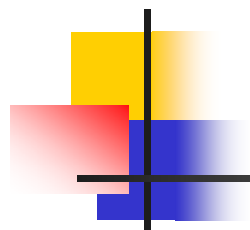
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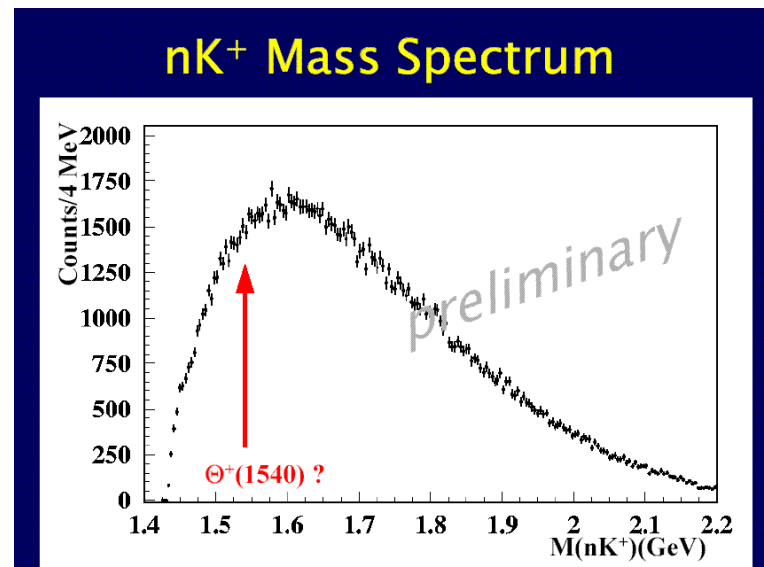
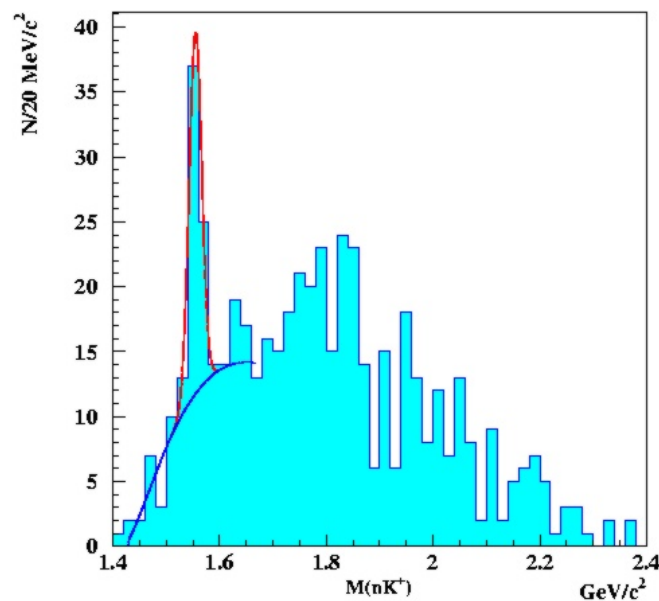
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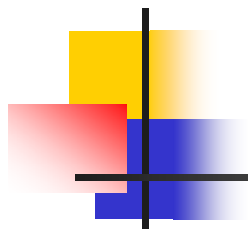
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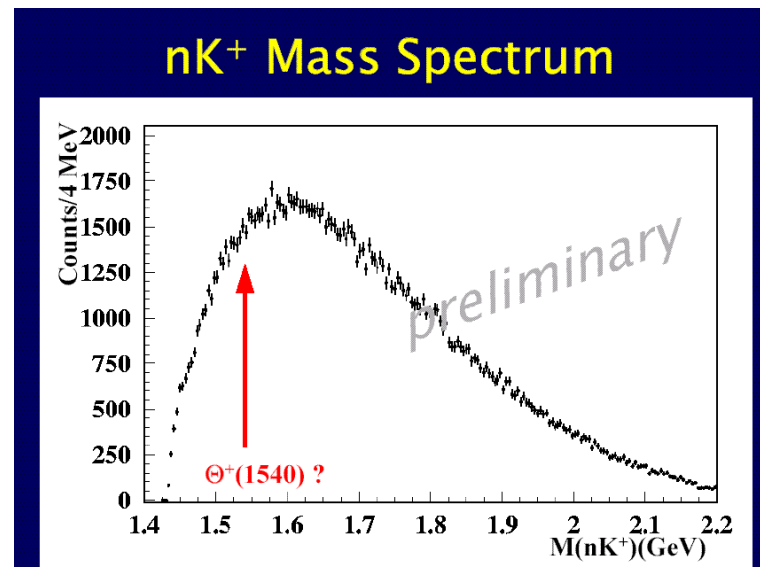
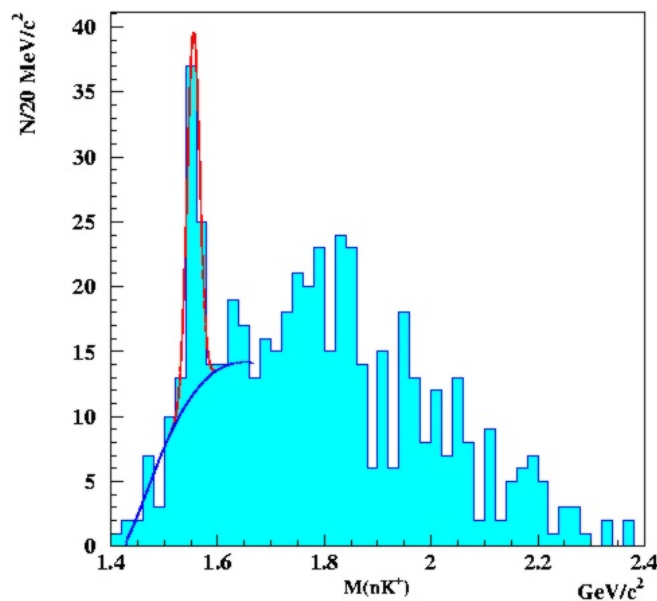


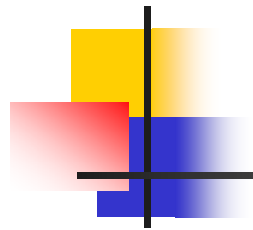


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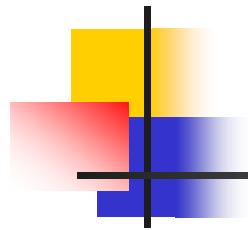


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Finding the formula for freak waves

20 June 2001

Freak waves are a major threat to ships and offshore structures such as oilrigs, but they are notoriously difficult to predict. This could be set to change following simulations of water wave dynamics by physicists at the University of Torino in Italy. Miguel Onorato and colleagues adapted the Schrödinger equation - which usually describes the wave-like properties of quantum particles - to establish the sea conditions that give rise to rogue waves (M Onorato *et al* 2001 *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 86 5831).

Random conditions in the ocean occasionally produce mammoth waves. A wave must be at least 2.2 times the height of the so-called significant wave

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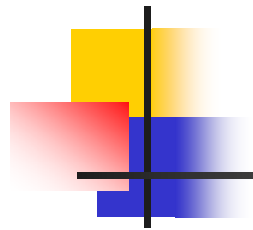


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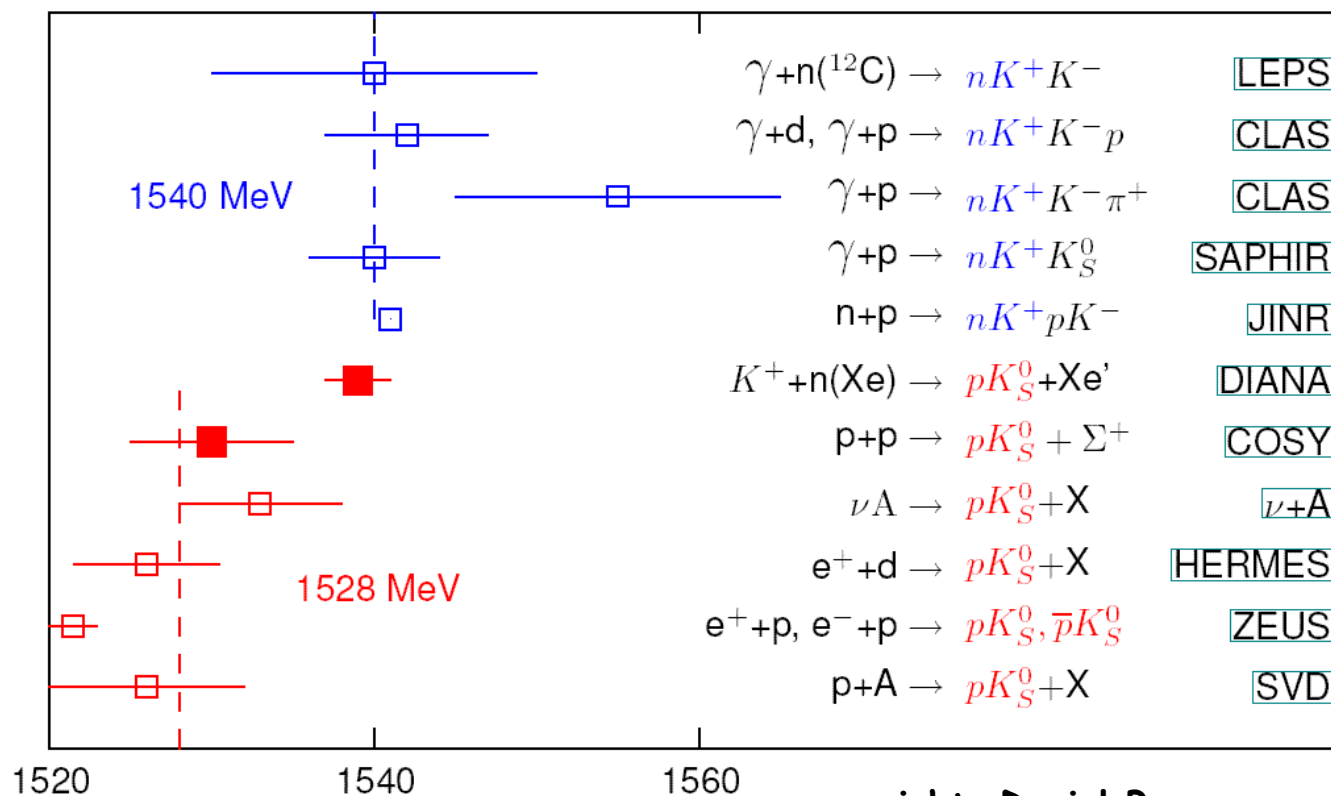


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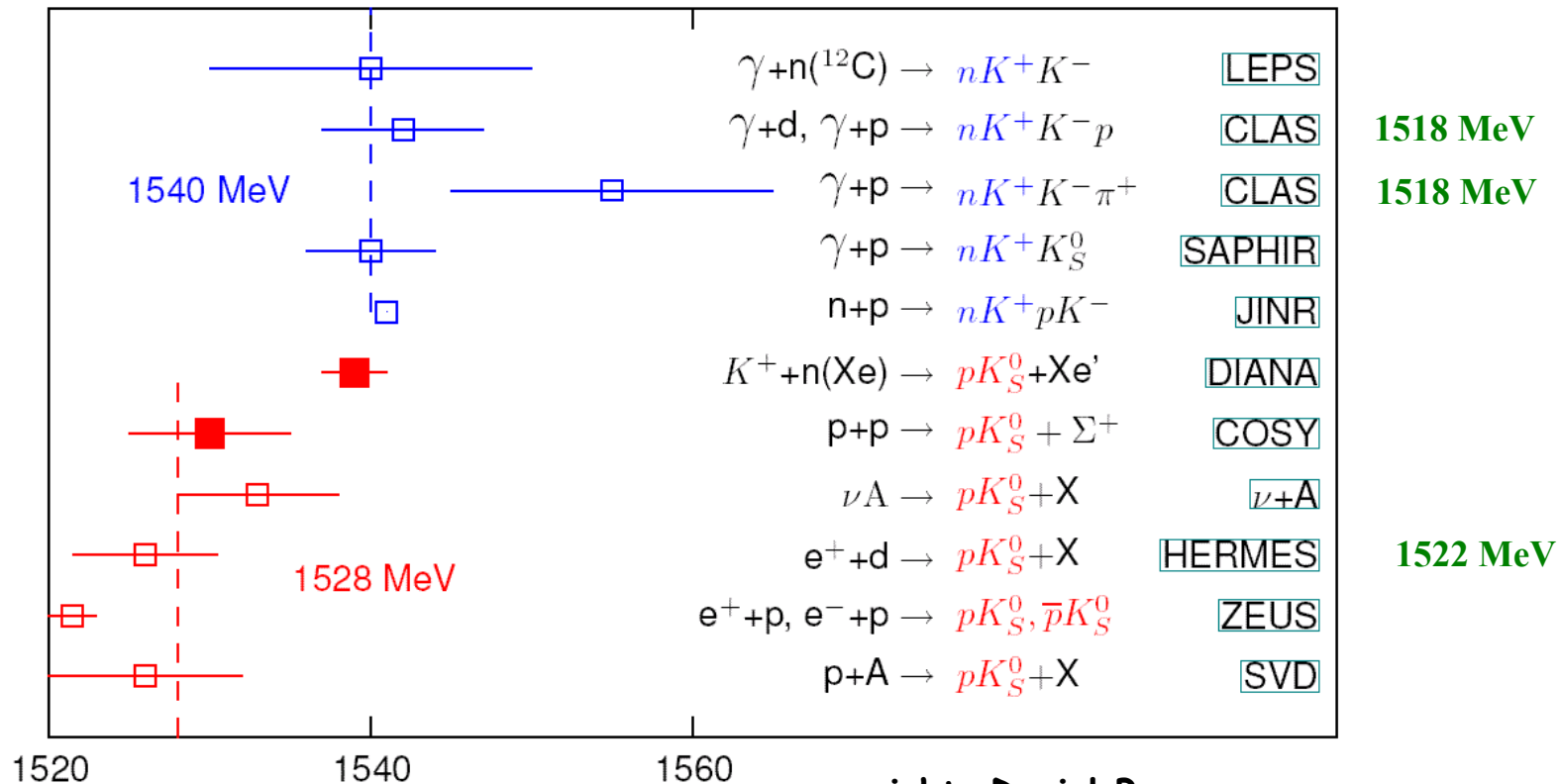
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**“It is difficult to see how the
ZEUS peak can be the Θ^+
unless many other experiments
are wrong.” (K. Hicks)**



Should we trust Theory?

● well ...

● QCD is a recognized theory

● but ...

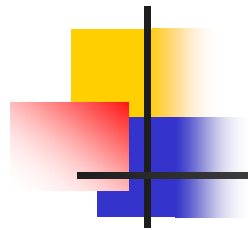
no exact calculations yet for fragmentation processes.

● Lattice calculations start to emerge, but with contradicting results.

● **More:** quark model calculations and Lattice calculations do not agree wrt. parity.

● This applies also to cross section predictions...

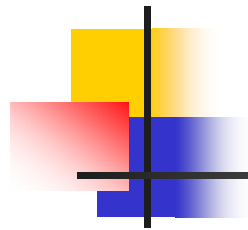
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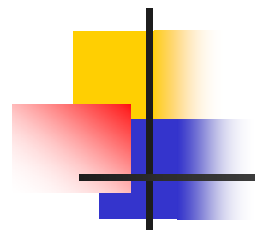
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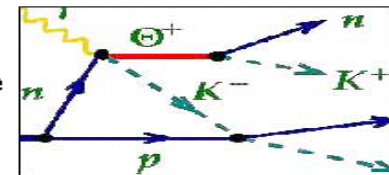
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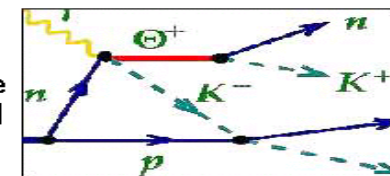
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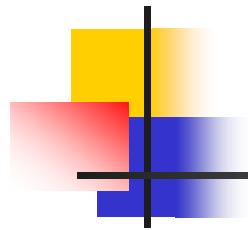
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What if the Θ^+ doesn't exist?

Then we are back to the real problem:

”Why only mesons and hadrons?”

Note: if Nature doesn't realize all the previsions of our theory, then theory (most likely) is the culprit.

Most likely reason:

Some fundamentals not yet implemented.

Therefore: **the non-existence of PQ's is more exciting than their existence.**



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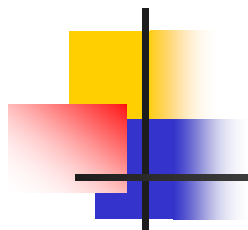
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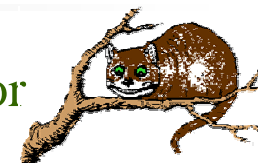
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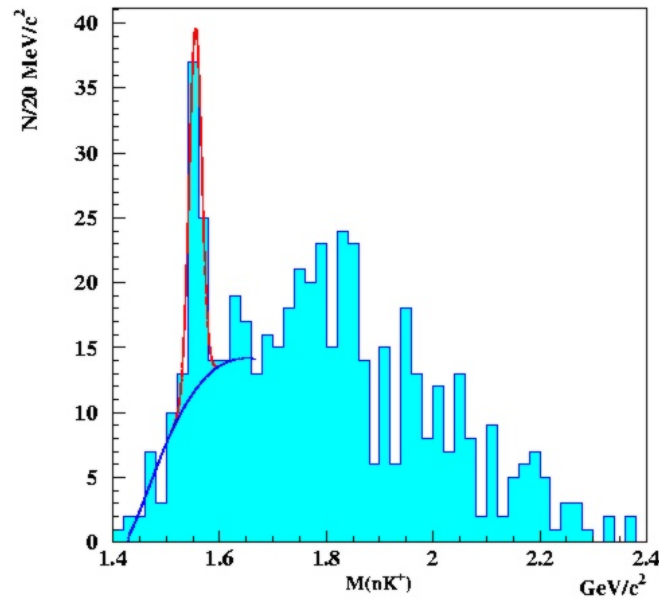


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but are at variance with established resonances;
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 - Masses disagree by many σ ;
 - Cross sections differ by orders of magnitude;
 - Pairs of experiments mutually exclude each other;
 - ...

Is it – or isn't it ?

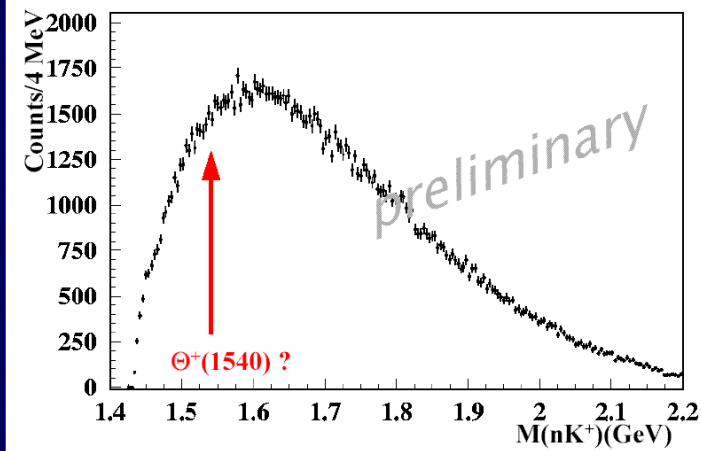


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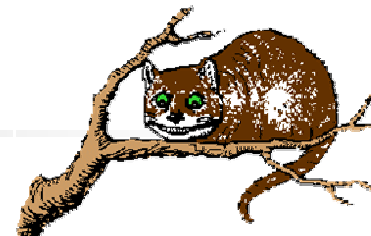
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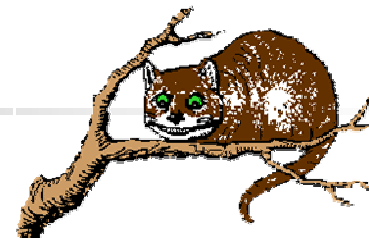


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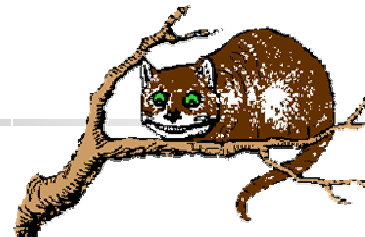


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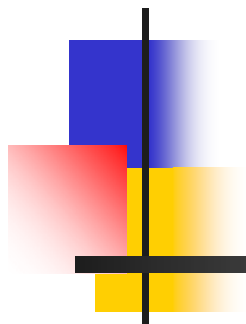


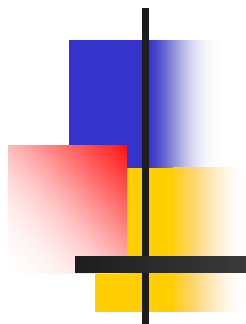
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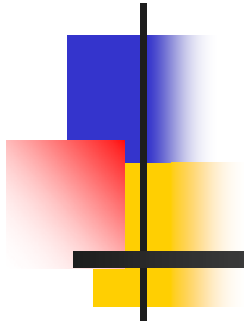
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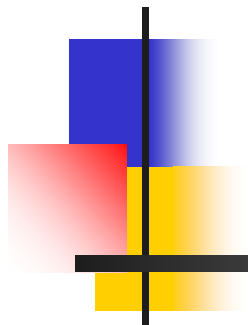


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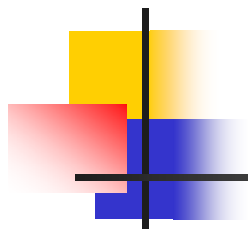


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“All right,” said the PQ; and this time it vanished quite slowly, beginning with the end of the tail, and ending with a cynical grin, which remained some time after the rest of it had gone.



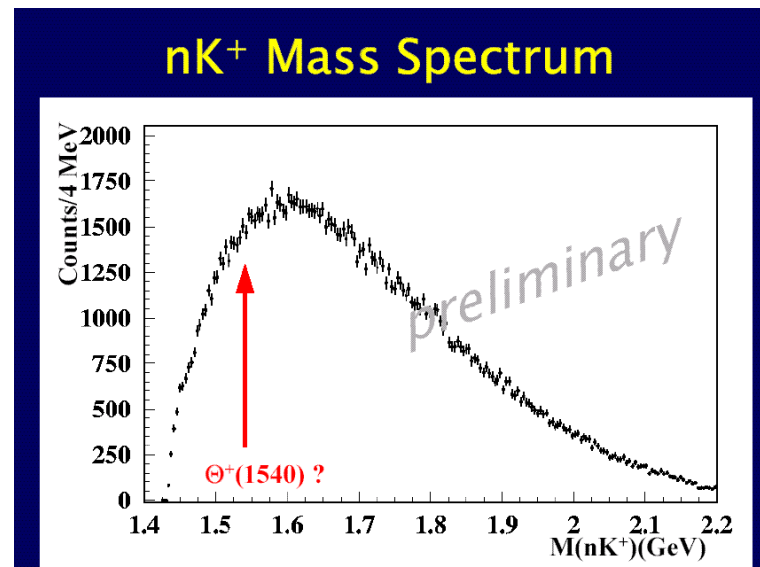
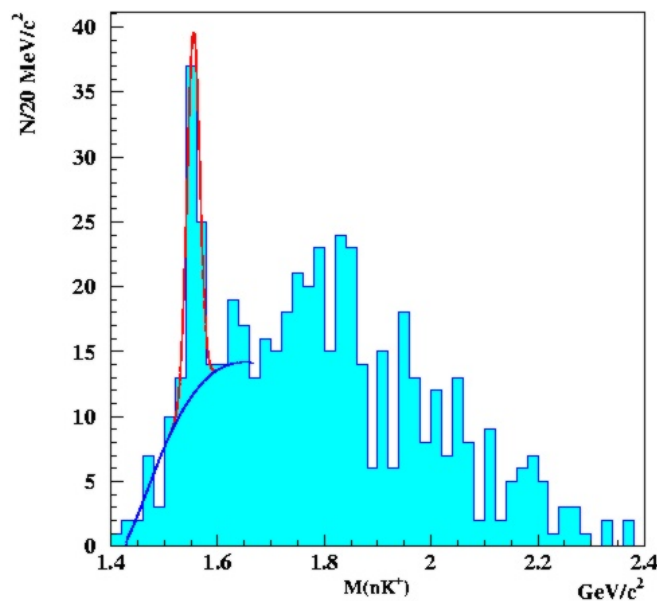
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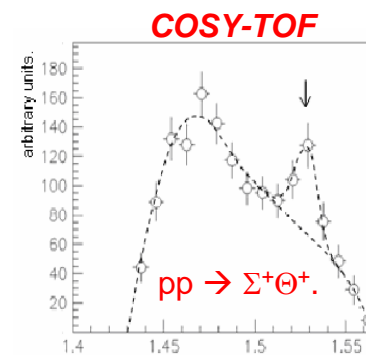
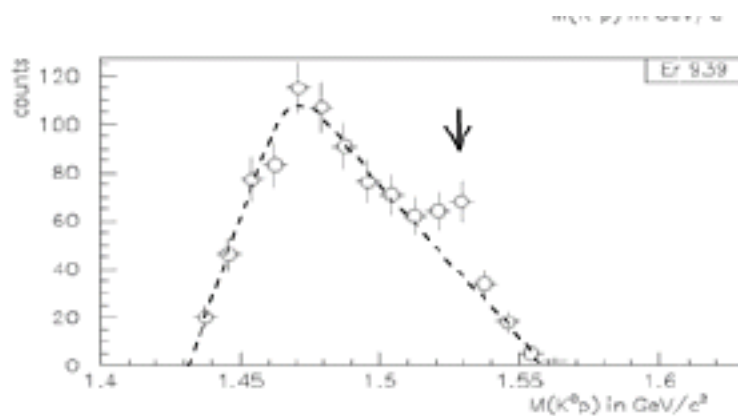
CLAS – comparison with CLAS



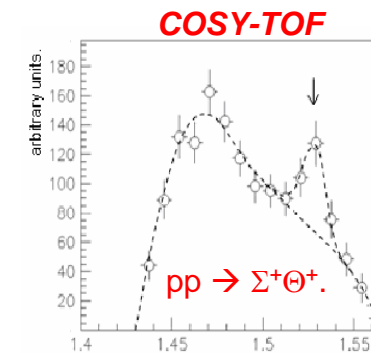
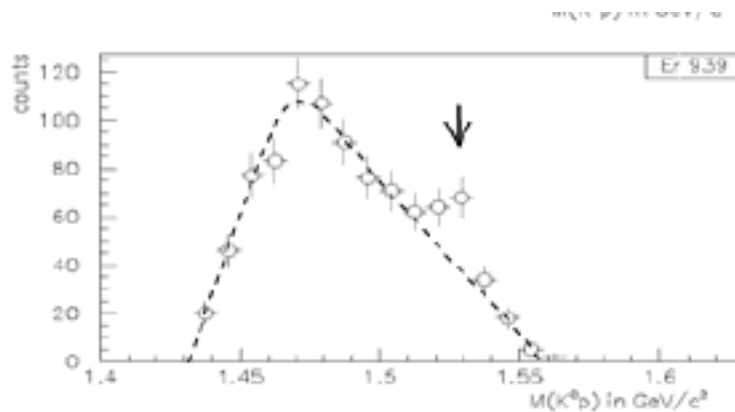
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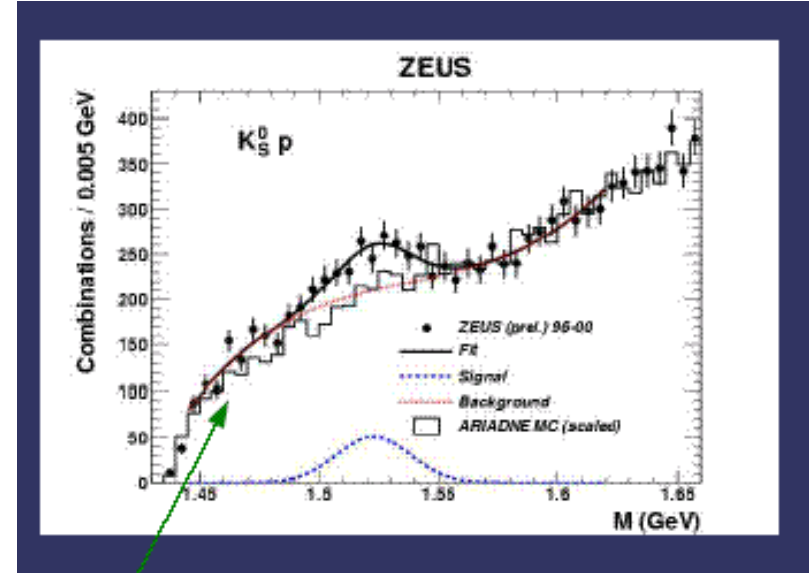
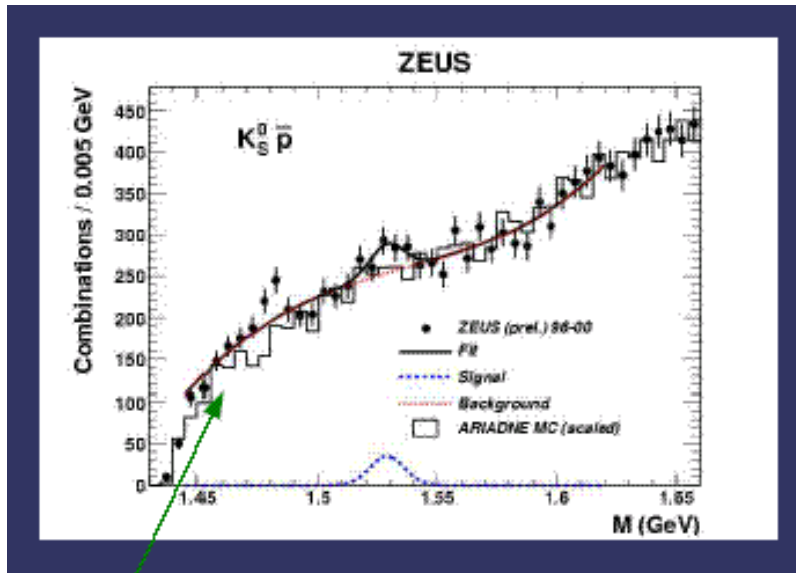
Hadronic



Hadronic interactions are no good



ZEUS (HERA)



- anti-p channel << p-channel;
- Sum of 2 channels < p-channel ...