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# *K<sup>-</sup>pp* search experiments at J-PARC

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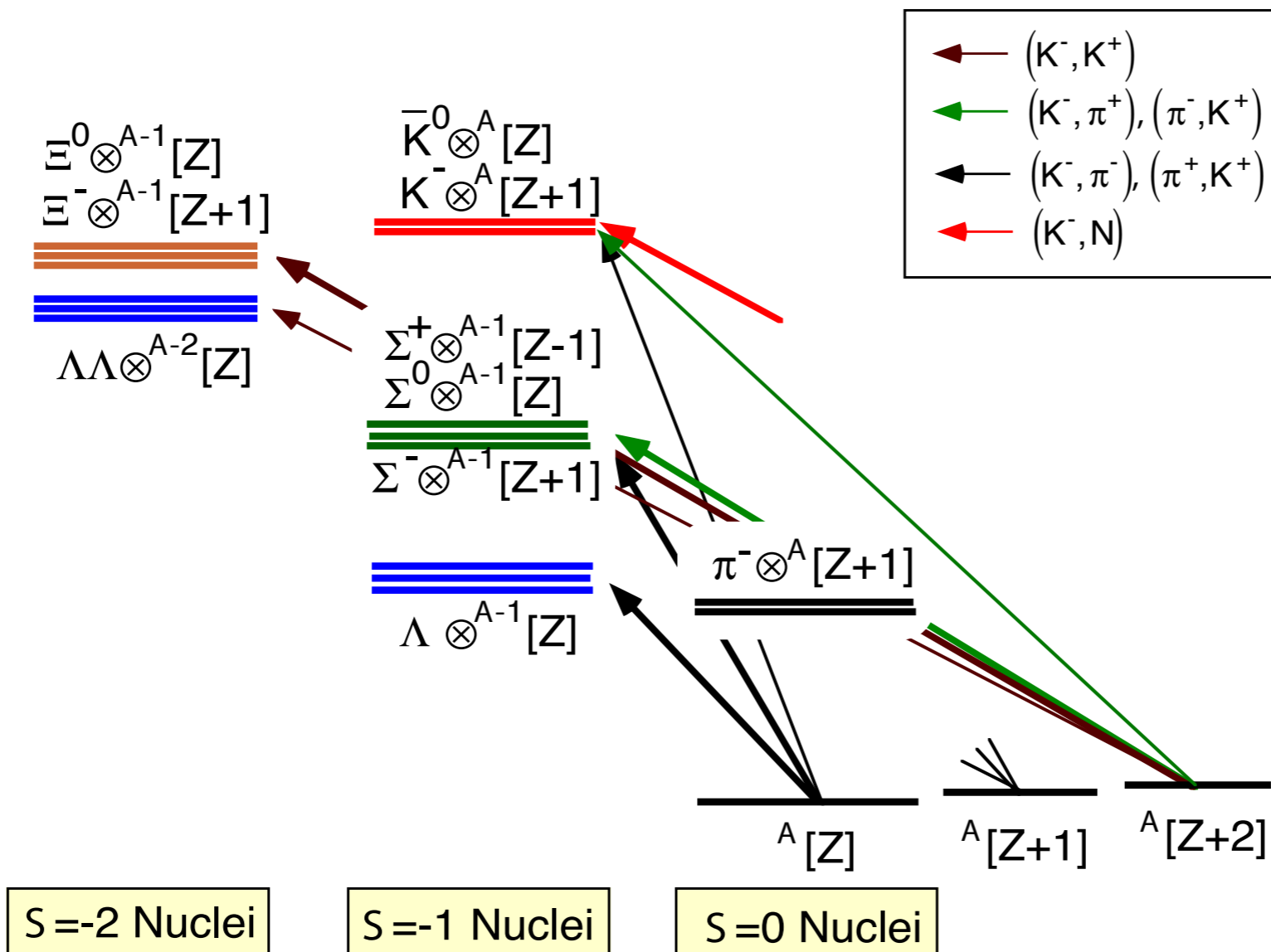
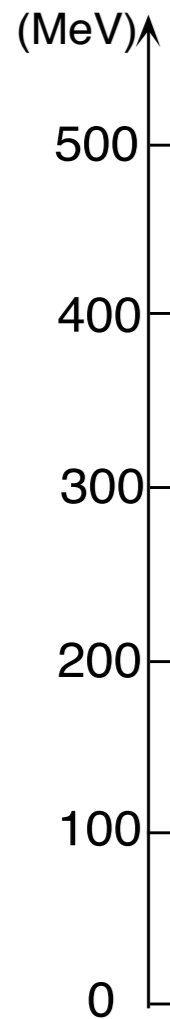
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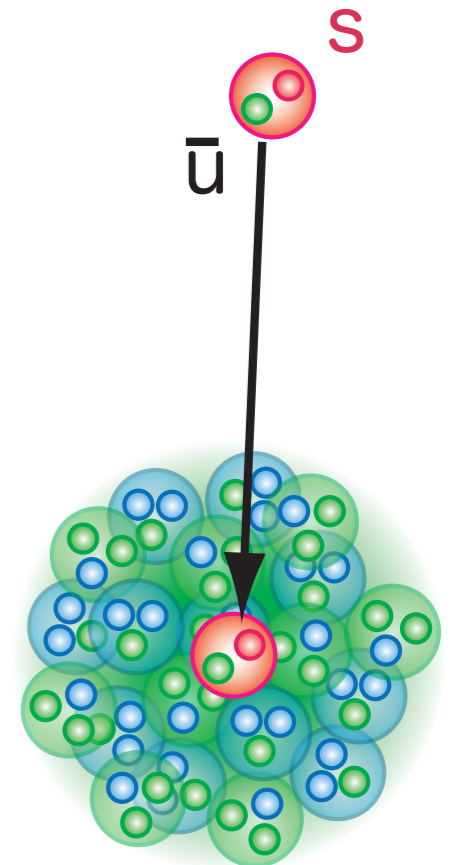
# New type of Strange matter

- Strange Mesons ( $\bar{K}$ ,  $K^-$ ) in nuclei

Excitation Energy (MeV)



$K^-$  Meson



Kaonic Nuclei

# $K^-pp$

- ✦  $\overline{KN}$  : attraction in Isospin=0
  - ✦ Kaonic hydrogen X-ray ; SIDDHARTA, M.Bazzi et al., NPA 881 (2012) 88-97.
  - ✦ Low-energy scattering measurements
  - ✦  $\Lambda(1405)$  below the  $K^-p$  threshold
- ✦  $K^-pp$  :  $Y=1, I=1/2, J^\pi=0^-$

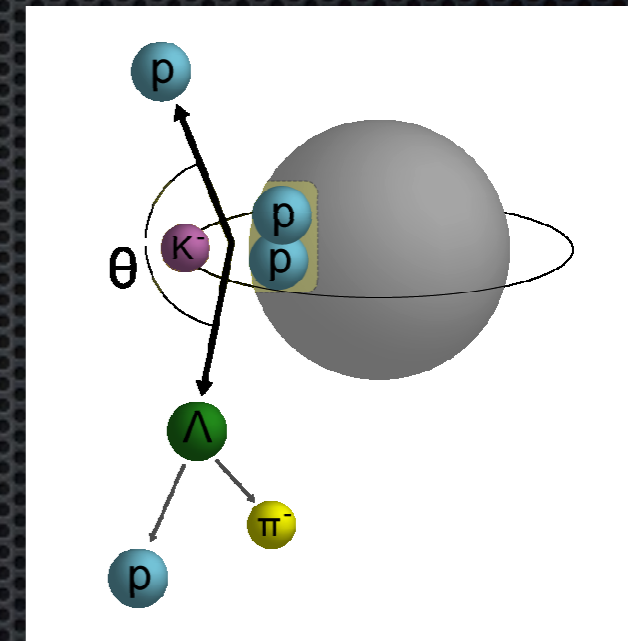
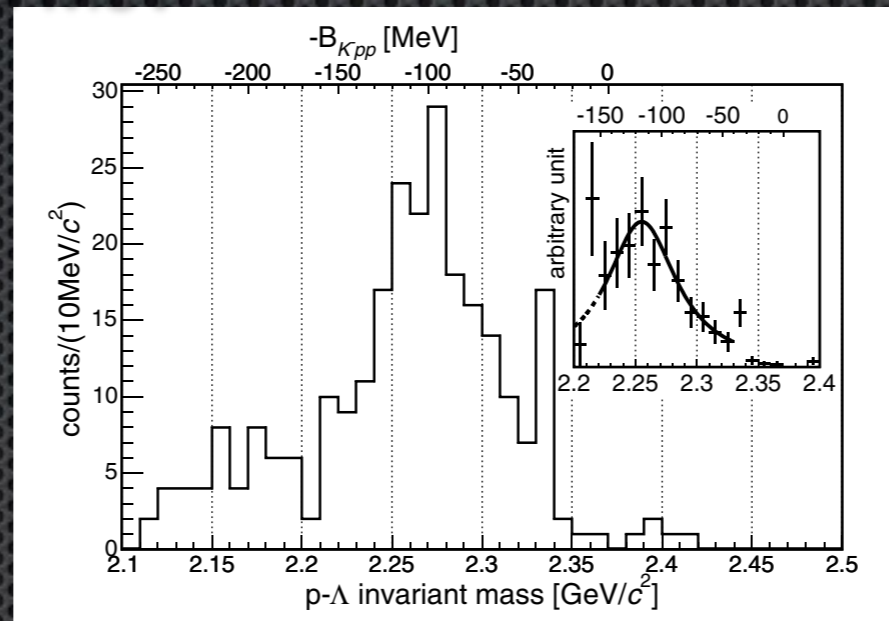
# Experiments on $K^-pp$

- First evidence of  $K^-pp$  with  ${}^6\text{Li}+{}^7\text{Li}+{}^{12}\text{C}$  by FINUDA

M. Agnello et al., PRL94, (2005) 212303

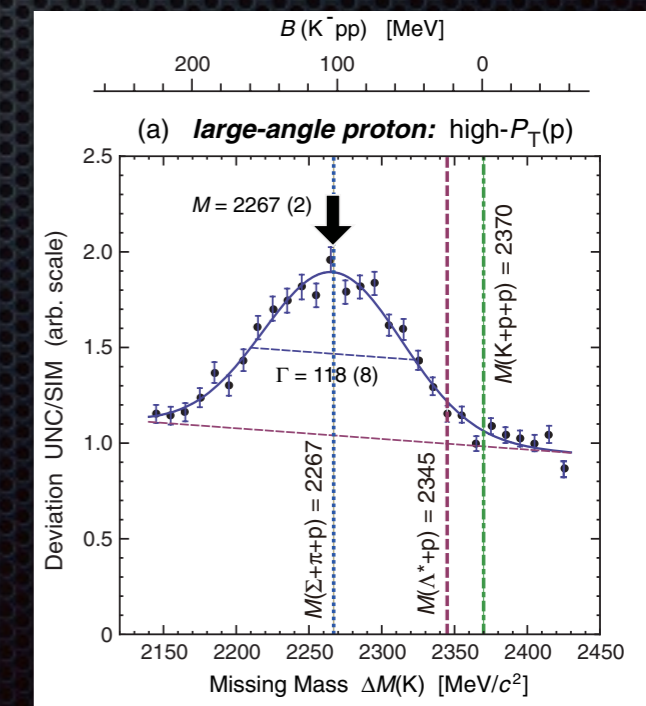
$$B = 115^{+6}_{-5} + 3_{-4} \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma = 67^{+14}_{-11} + 2_{-3} \text{ MeV}$$



- DISTO data:  $p+p \rightarrow K^-pp + K^+$  at 2.85 GeV
  - $M = 2267 \pm 3 \pm 5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
  - $\Gamma = 118 \pm 8 \pm 10 \text{ MeV}$

T. Yamazaki et al., PRL 104 (2010) 132502.  
 P. Kienle et al., Eur. Phys. J. A 48 (2012) 183.



# Theoretical work on $K^-pp$

- $K^-pp$  does exist !!

...but maybe broad (consistent with EXPs)

(MeV)	ATMS Yamazaki & Akaishi, PLB535 (2002) 70.	Faddeev Shevchenko, Gal, Mares, PRL98 (2007) 082301.	Faddeev Ikeda & Sato, PRC79 (2009) 035201.	Variational Wycech & Green, PRC79 (2009) 014001.	Faddeev, Maeda, Akaishi, Yamazaki, Proc. Jpn. Acad., B, 89 (2013) 418.	Variational Dote, Hyodo, Weise, PRC79 (2009) 014003.	Faddeev Ikeda, Kamano, Sato, PTP124 (2010) 533.	Faddeev Barnea, Gal, Liverts, PLB 712 (2012) 132.
B	48	50-70	60-95	40-80	51.5	17-23	9-16	16
$\Gamma$	61	90-110	45-80	40-85	61	40-70	34-46	41

- FSI effects ? ; V.K. Magas et al., PRC 74 (2006) 025206.

- $\Lambda^*N$  bound state ? ; T. Uchino et al., NPA 868-869 (2011) 53.



# $K^-pp$ Searches at J-PARC

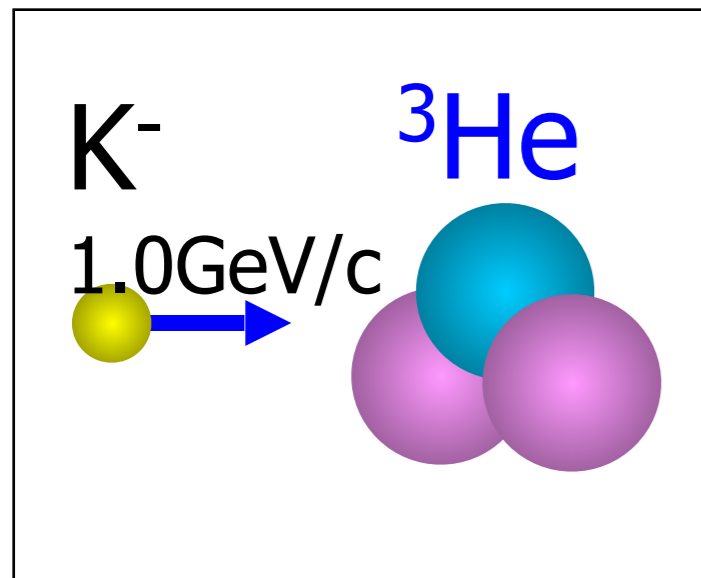
- E15 :  ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, n/p)K^-pp$ , " $K^-pp$ "  $\rightarrow \Lambda p, \Sigma^0 p$  at 1 GeV/c
  - $K^-n \rightarrow n+K^-$ , " $K^-+pp$ "  $\rightarrow K^-pp$
  - Exclusive measurement
    - $K^-pp \rightarrow \Lambda p, \Sigma^0 p$
  - Isospin dependence
- E27 :  $d(\pi^+, K^+)$  with proton(s) coin. at 1.69 GeV/c
  - $\Lambda(1405)$  as a doorway;  $\pi^+n \rightarrow K^+\Lambda^*(1405)$ ,  $\Lambda^*p \rightarrow K^-pp$
  - Semi-exclusive
    - $K^-pp \rightarrow p+\Upsilon, p+p+\pi+(\gamma, \pi)$

# E15 Experiment

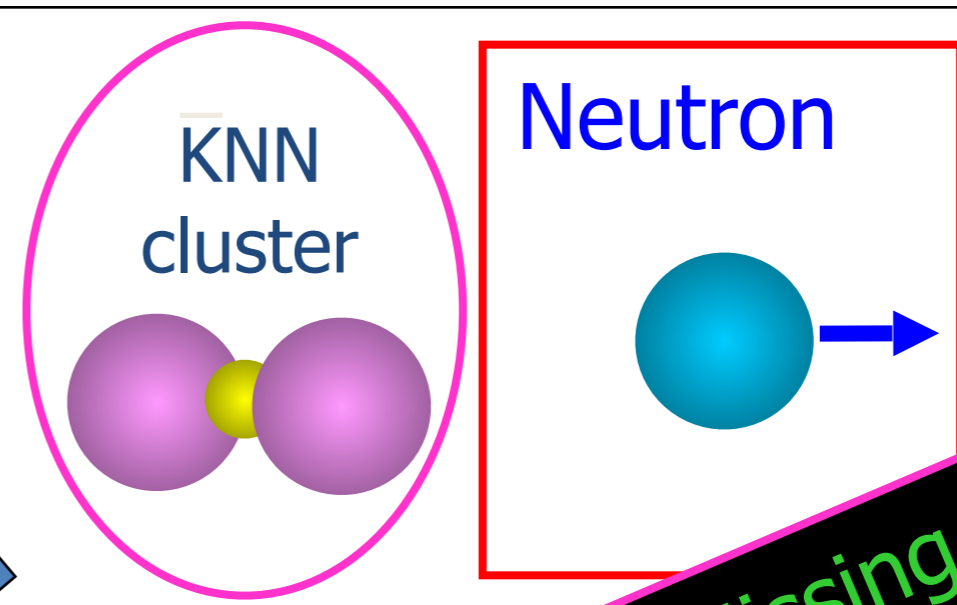
*Y. Sada on June 2 (A3)*

in-flight  ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, n)$  reaction & its exclusive measurement

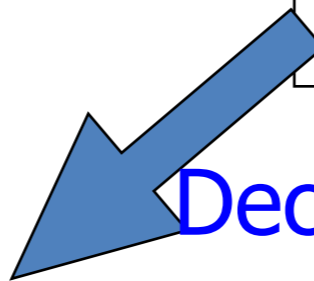
→ Search for KNN bound states both via formation & Decay



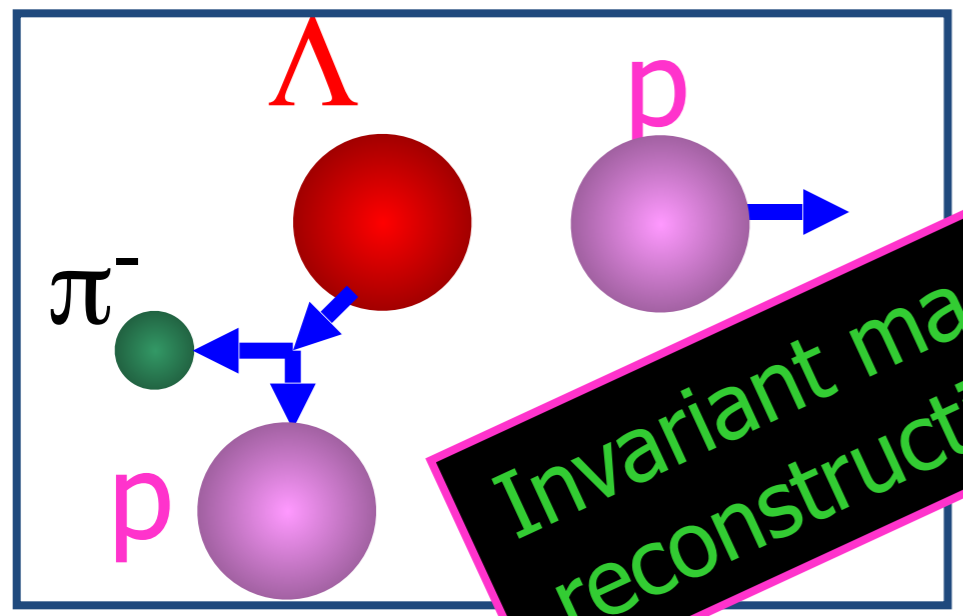
Formation



Decay



Mode to decay charged particles

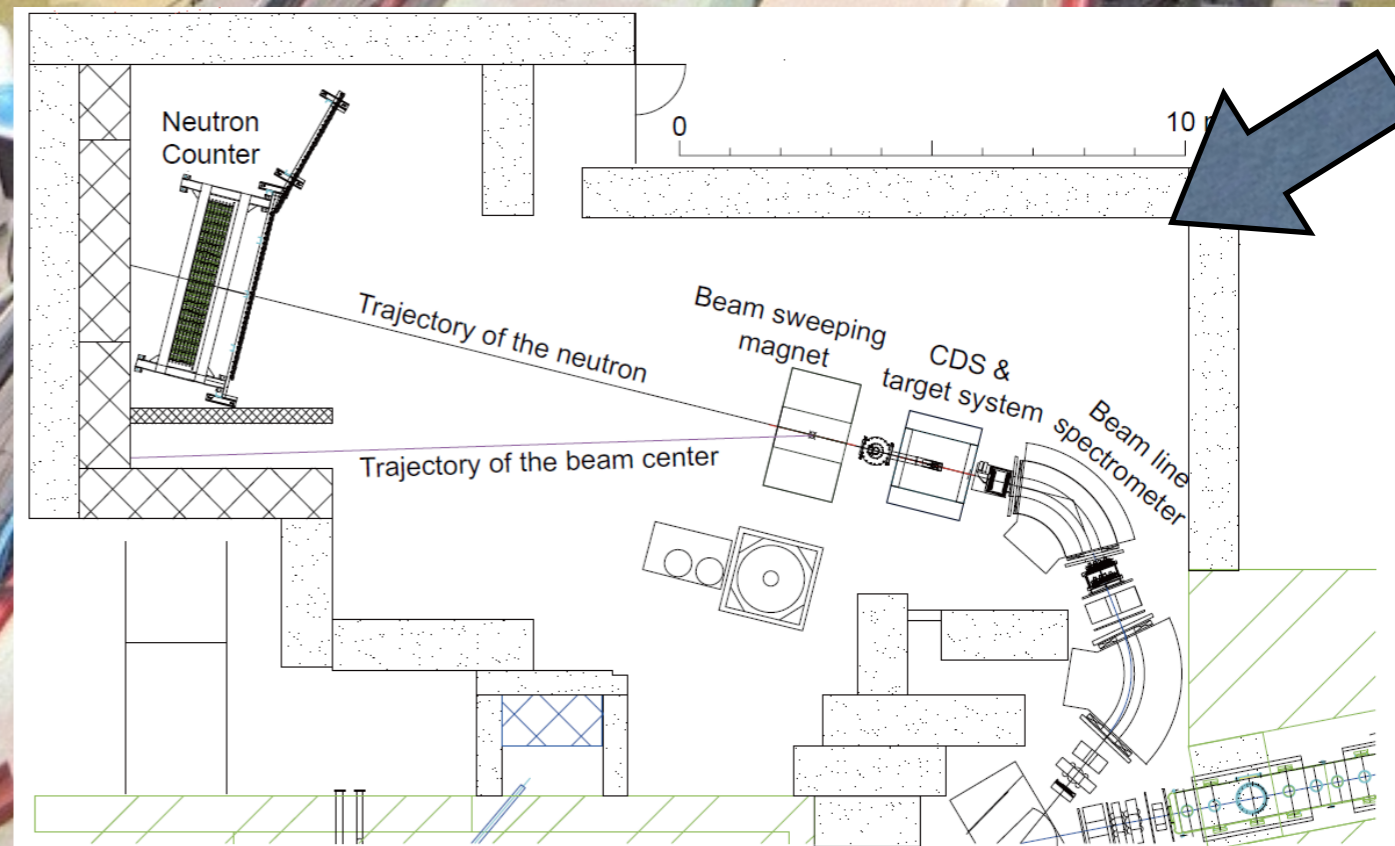
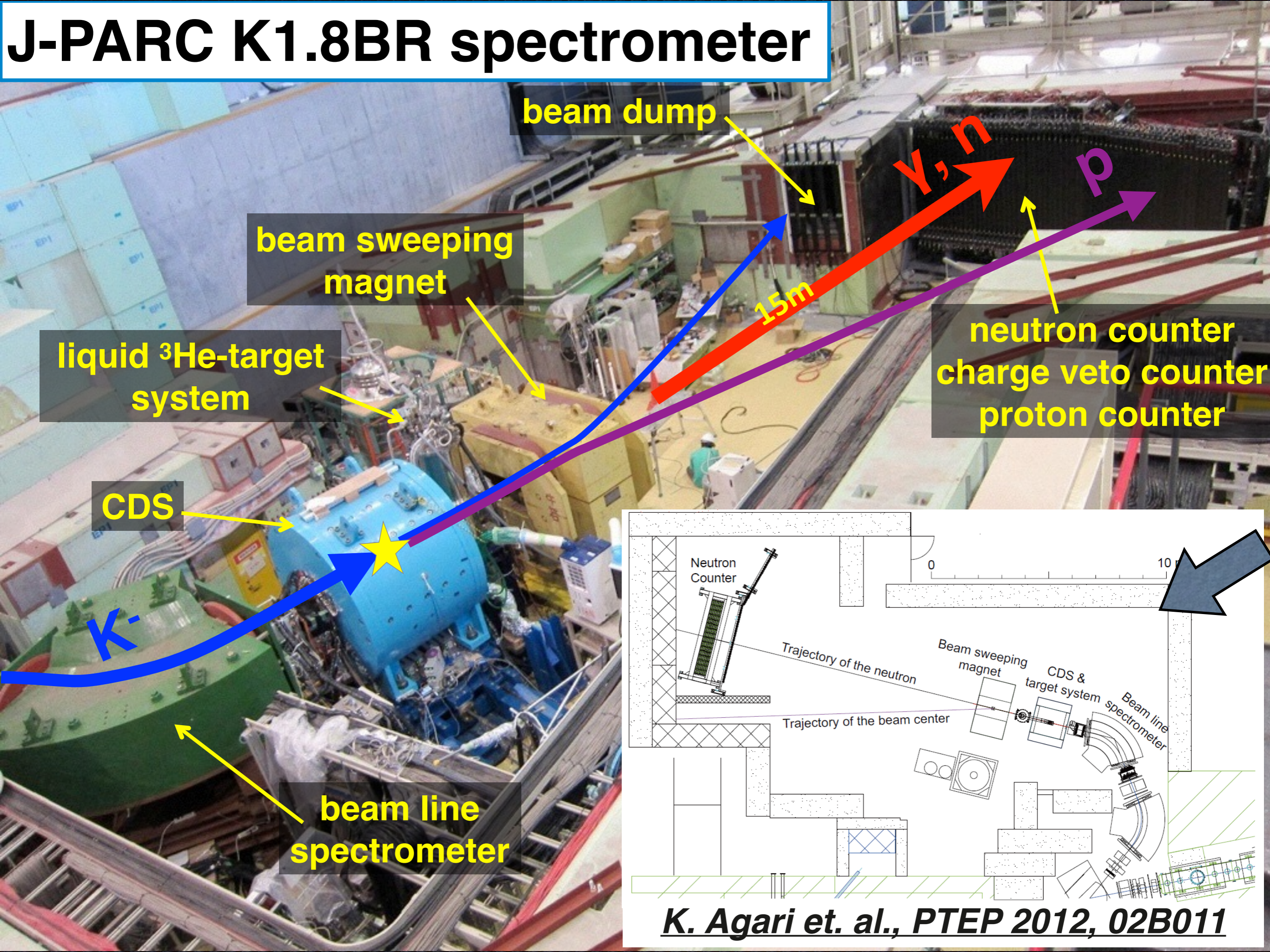


**Invariant mass reconstruction**

**Missing mass Spectroscopy via neutron**

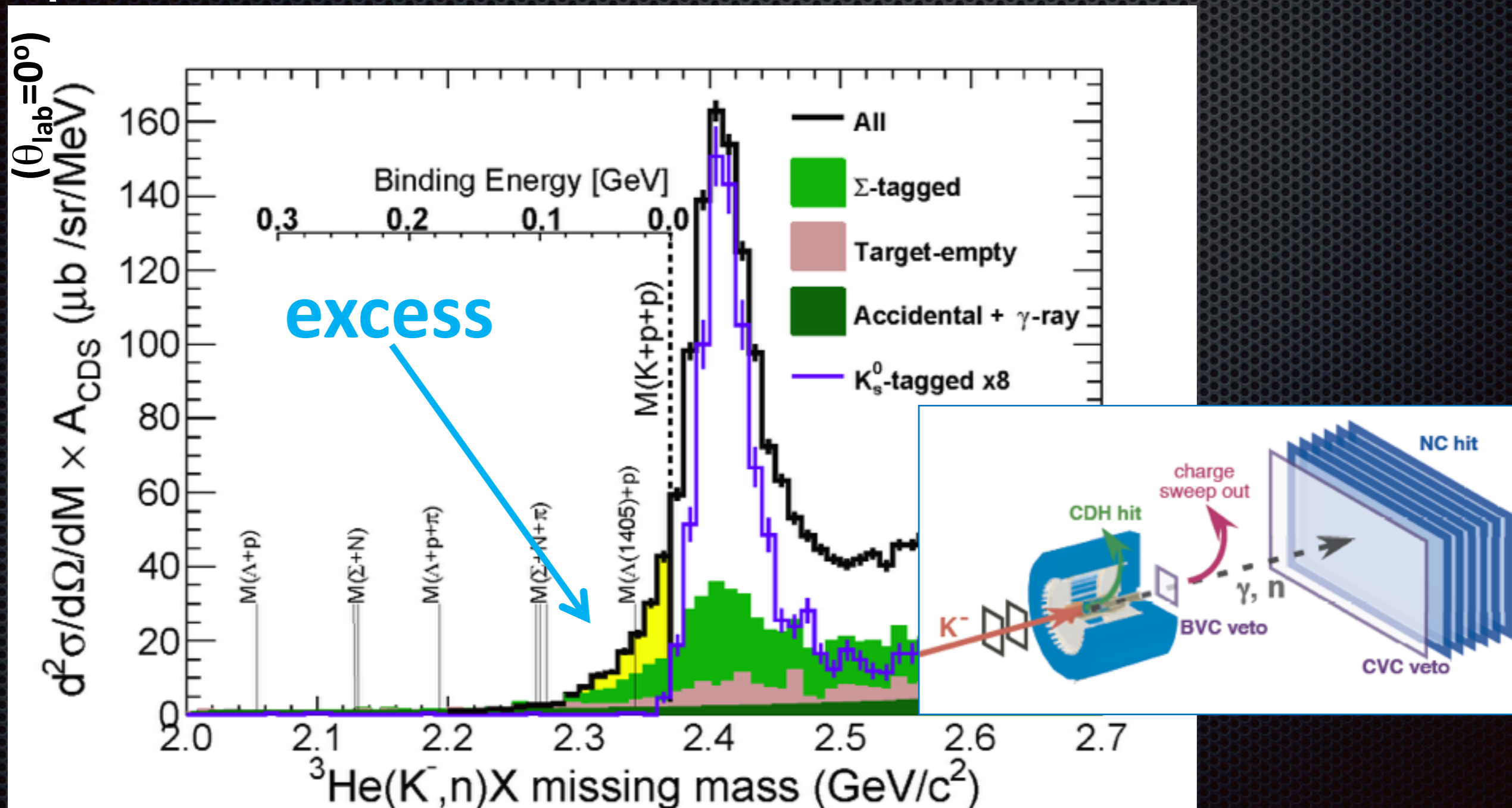
	Primary-beam intensity	Duration	Kaons on target (w/ tgt selection)
<b>March, 2013</b> <i>(Run#47)</i>	14.5 kW <i>(18 Tppp, 6s)</i>	30 h	1.1 x 10
<b>May, 2013</b> <i>(Run#49c)</i>	24 kW <i>(30 Tppp, 6s)</i>	88 h	5.1 x 10

# J-PARC K1.8BR spectrometer



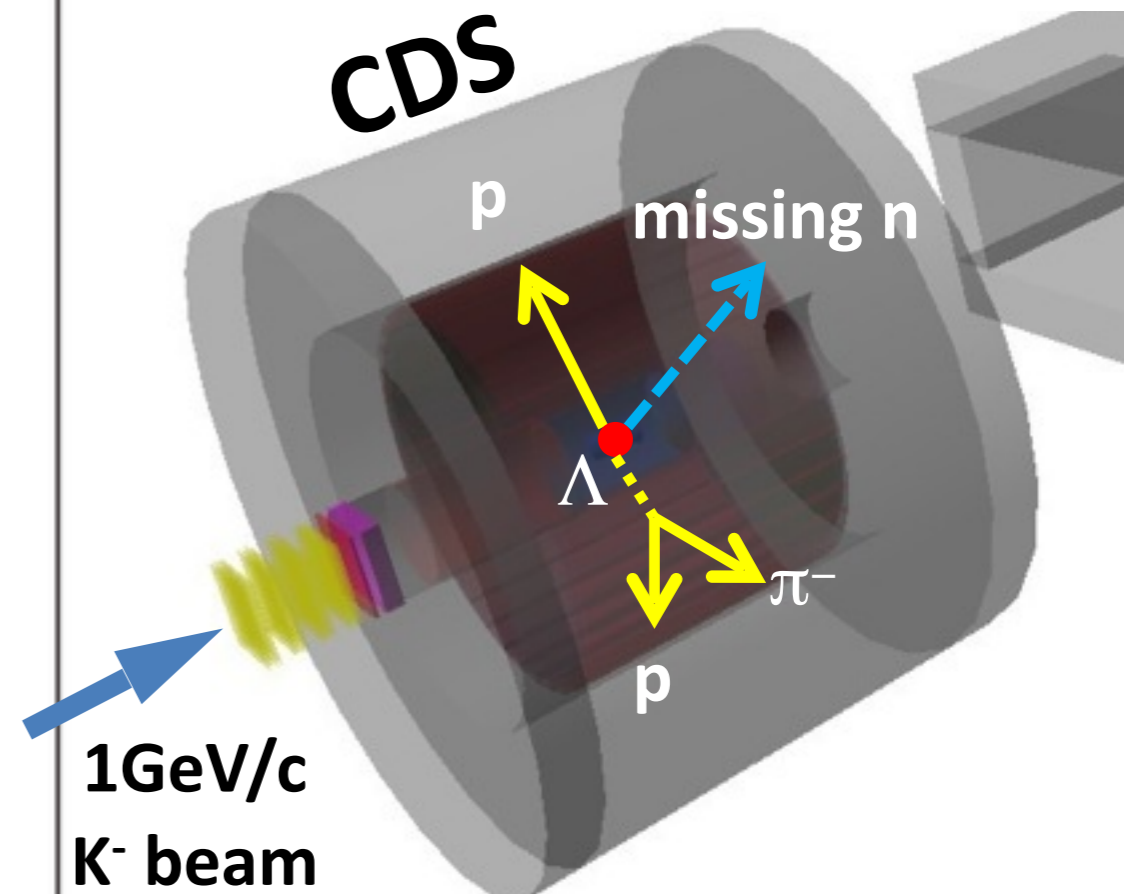
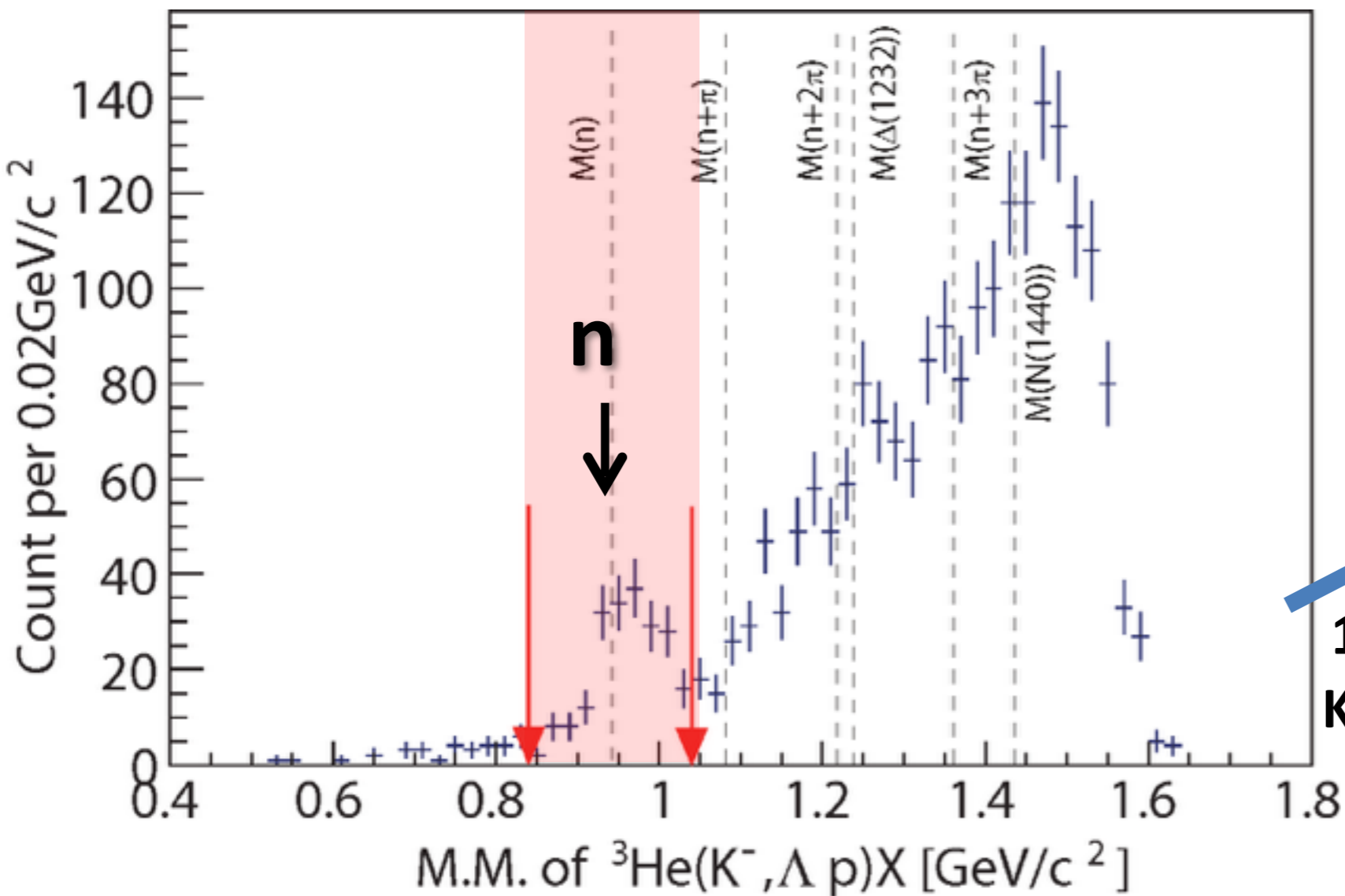
*K. Agari et. al., PTEP 2012, 02B011*

# Semi-inclusive ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, n)X$ M.M. spectrum



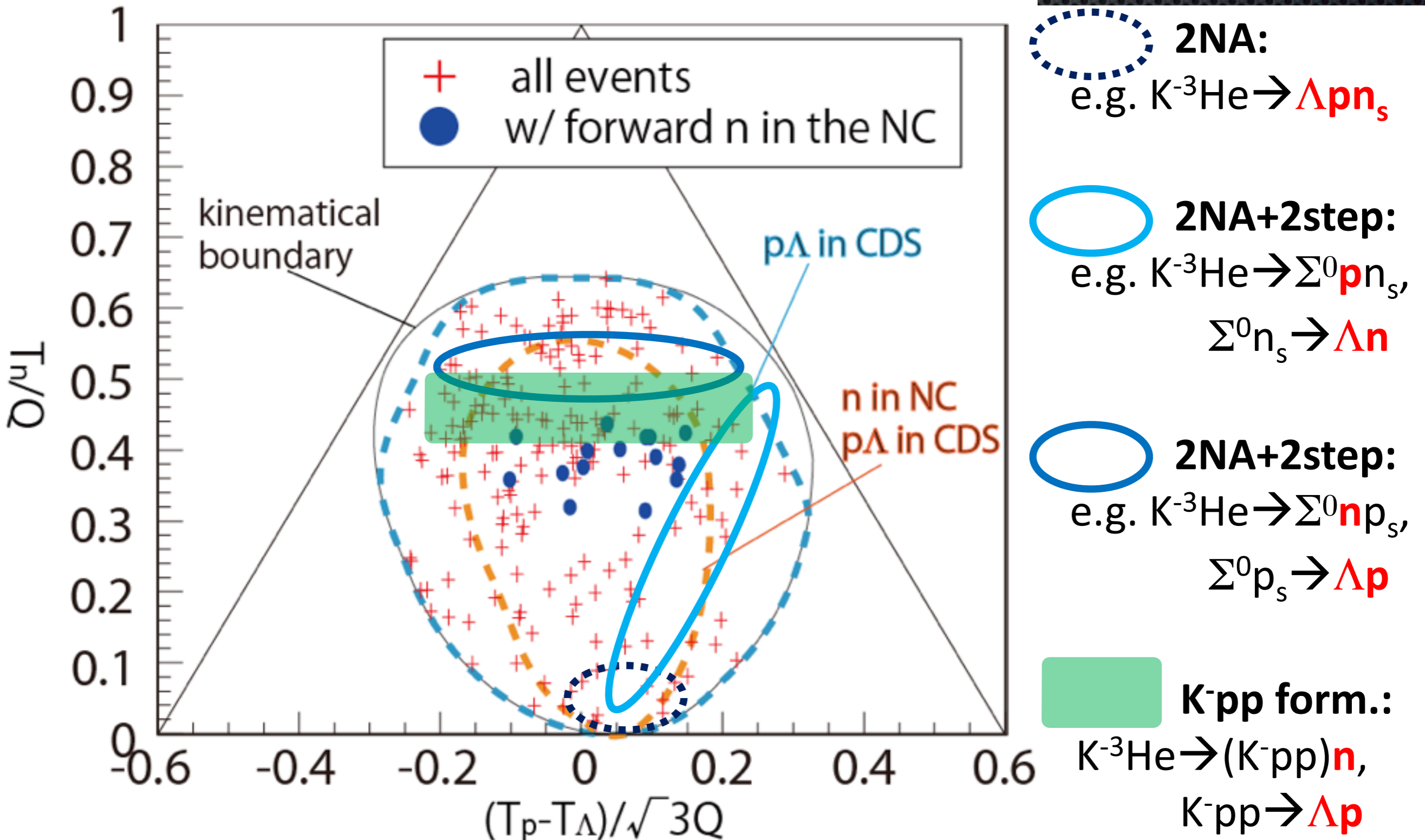
- ✦ CANNOT be explained by any experimental effects nor well-known elementary processes

# Exclusive ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$ events



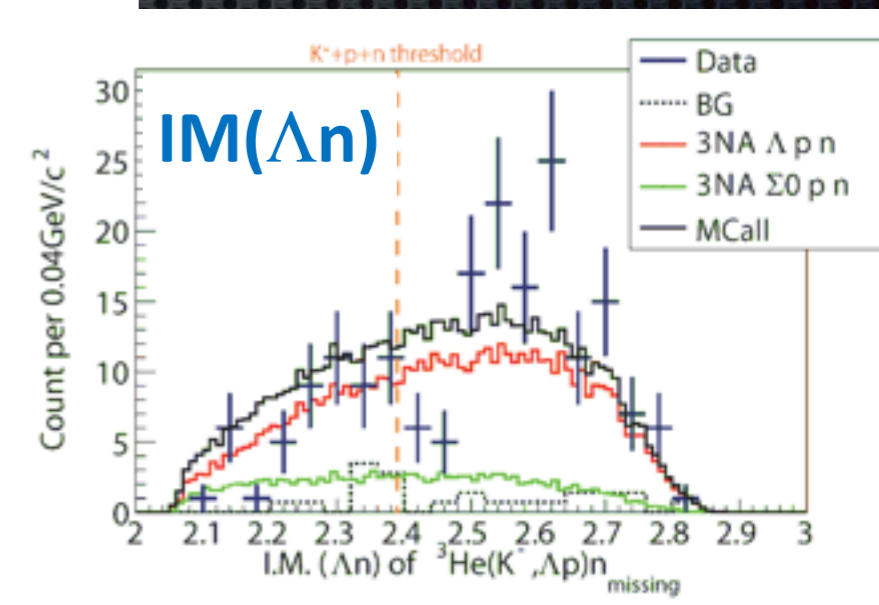
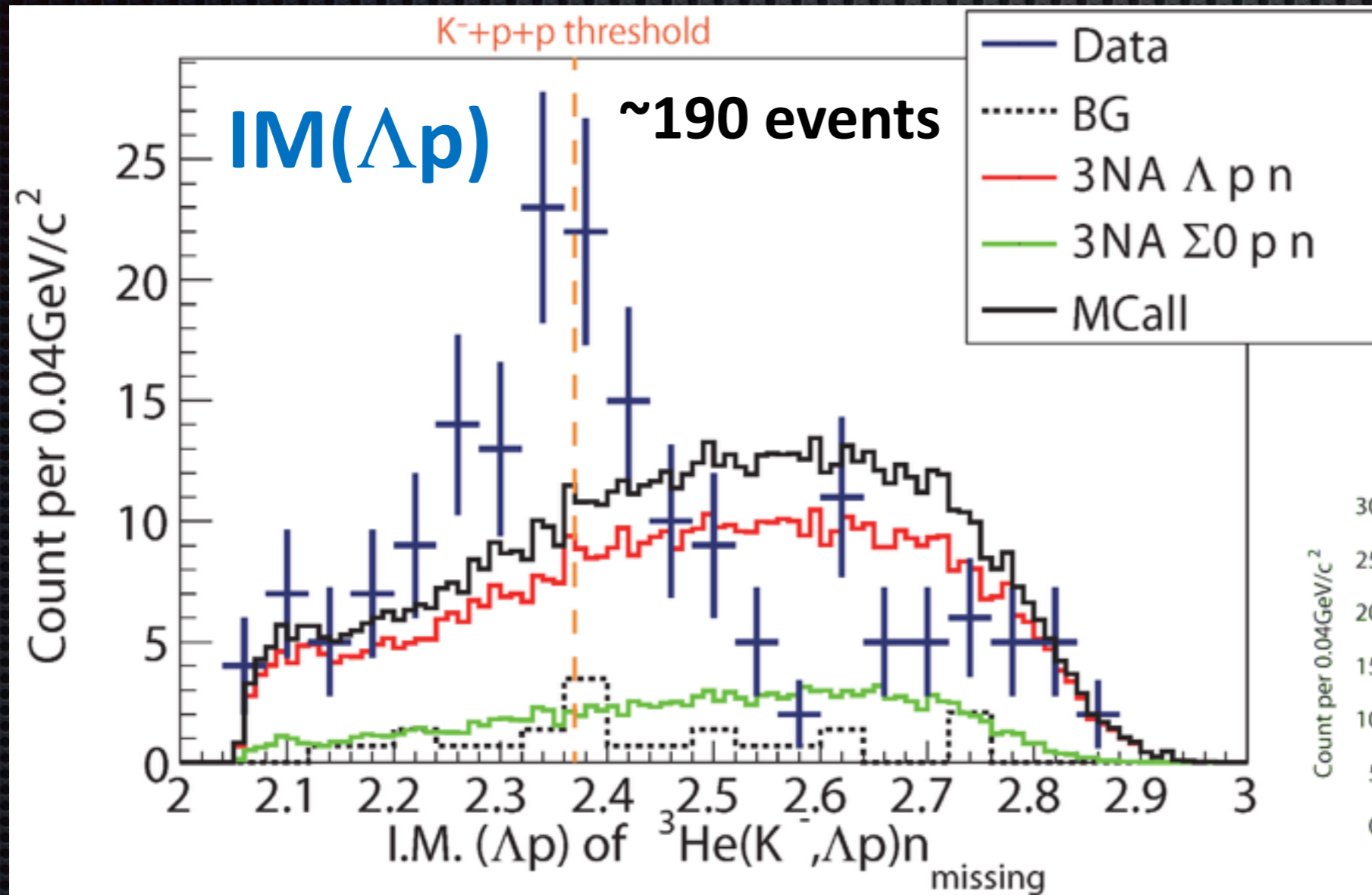
- ✦  $K^-{}^3\text{He} \rightarrow \Lambda(\Sigma^0)pn$  events are exclusively identified  $\sim 190$  events
- ✦  $\Sigma^0 pn$  contamination  $\sim 20\%$

# ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$ ; Dalitz plot



□ Events are widely scattered in phase-space( $\Lambda$ - $p$ - $n$ )

# ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$ ; Invariant mass



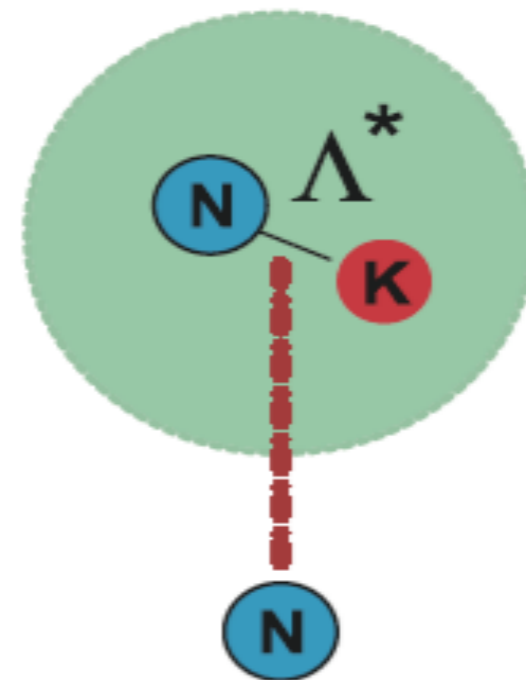
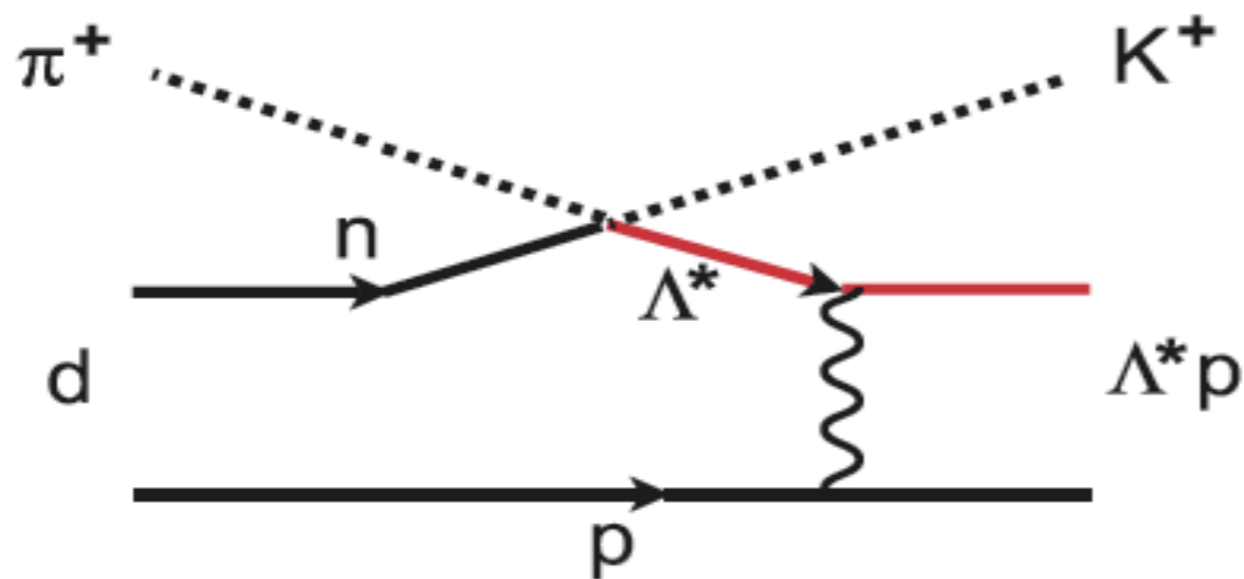
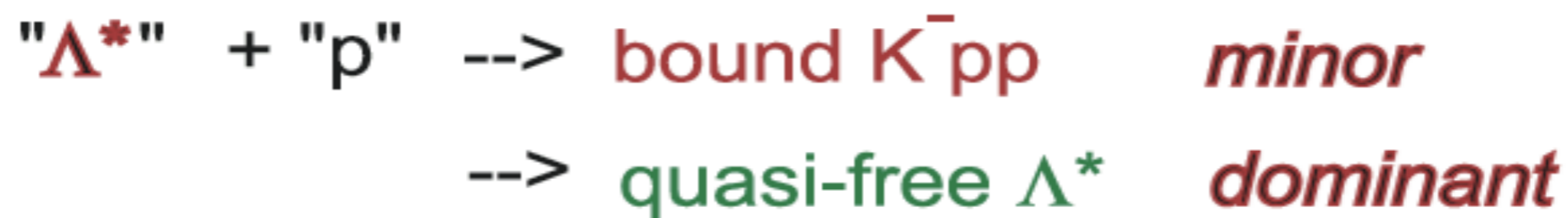
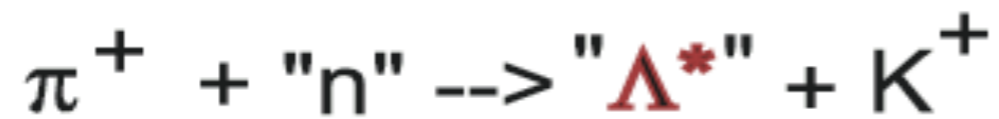
- Total CS :  $\sim 200 \mu\text{b}$  (assuming phase-space distrib.)  
( $\sim 0.1\%$  of total cross section of  $K^-{}^3\text{He}$ )

# E15 Summary

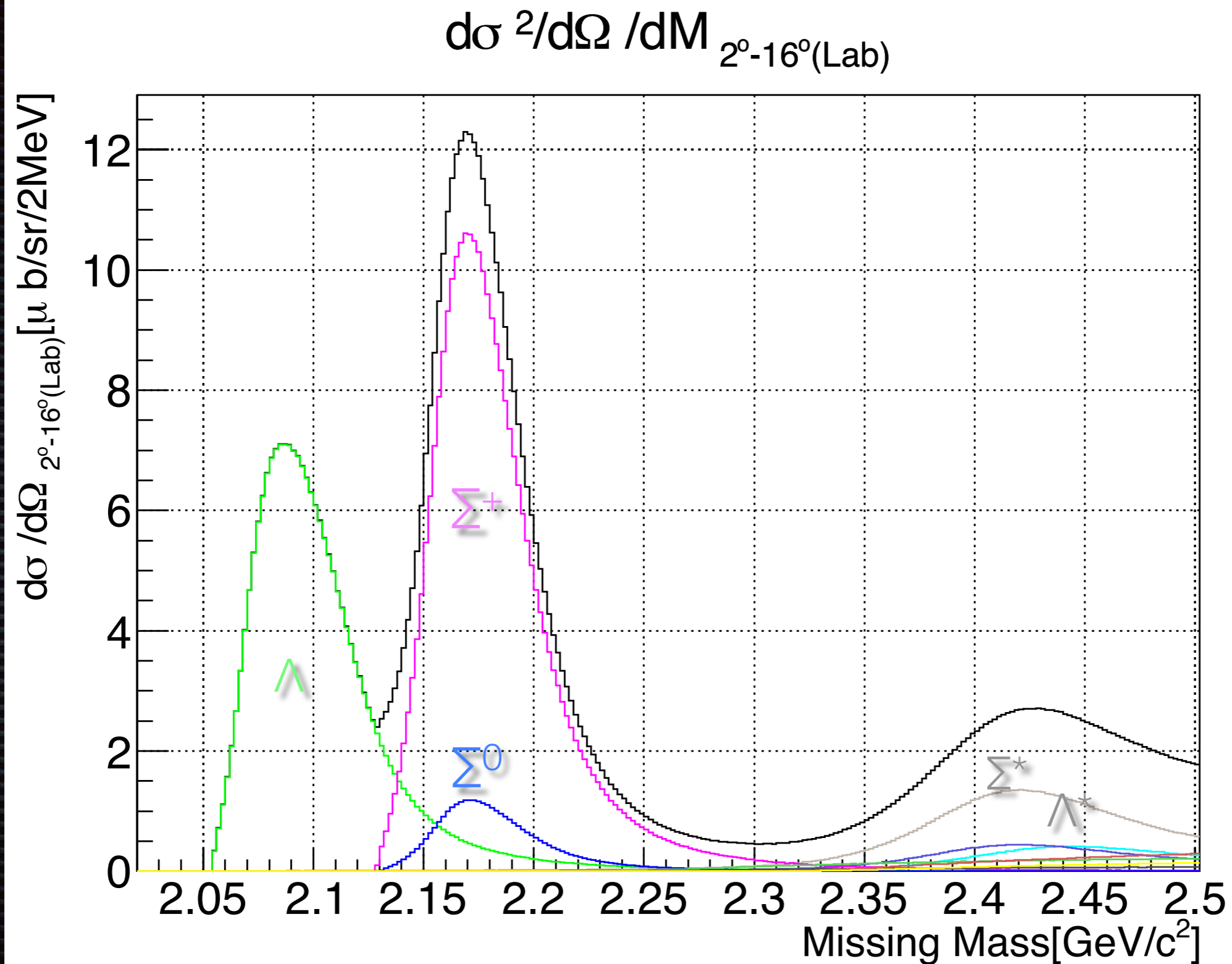
- ✦  $K^-$ - $^3\text{He}$  reaction at 1 GeV/c : 4-days data taking was successful.
  - ✦ Excess below the  $K^-pp$  threshold in  $(K^-,n)$  spectrum.
  - ✦  $^3\text{He}(K^-,\Lambda p)n$  exclusive process (3-nucleon abs.?) was observed.
- ✦ Next physics data taking in 2015 : 10 times more data !



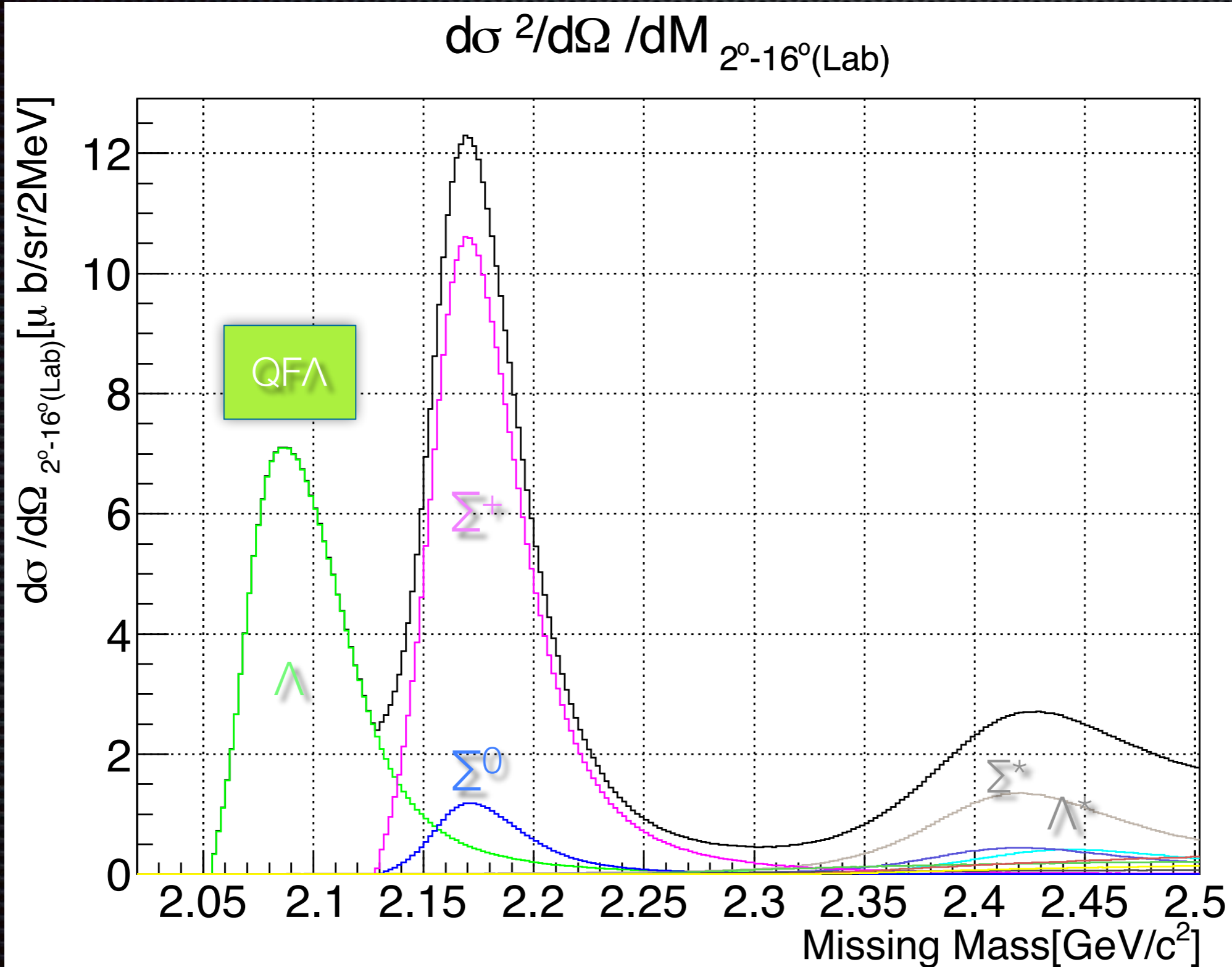
# E27: $d(\pi^+, K^+)$ reaction



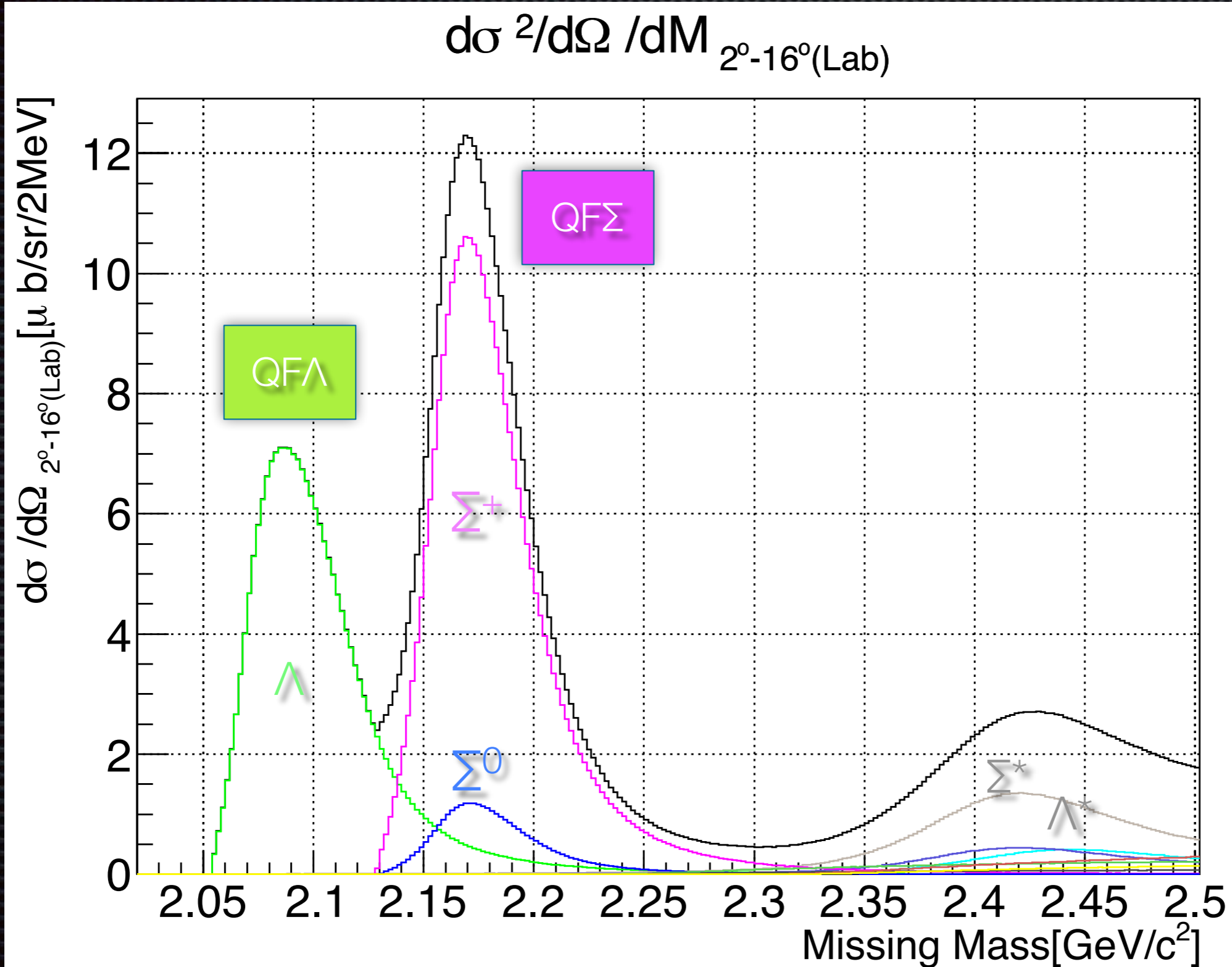
# $d(\pi^+, K^+)$ inclusive spectrum; in simulation



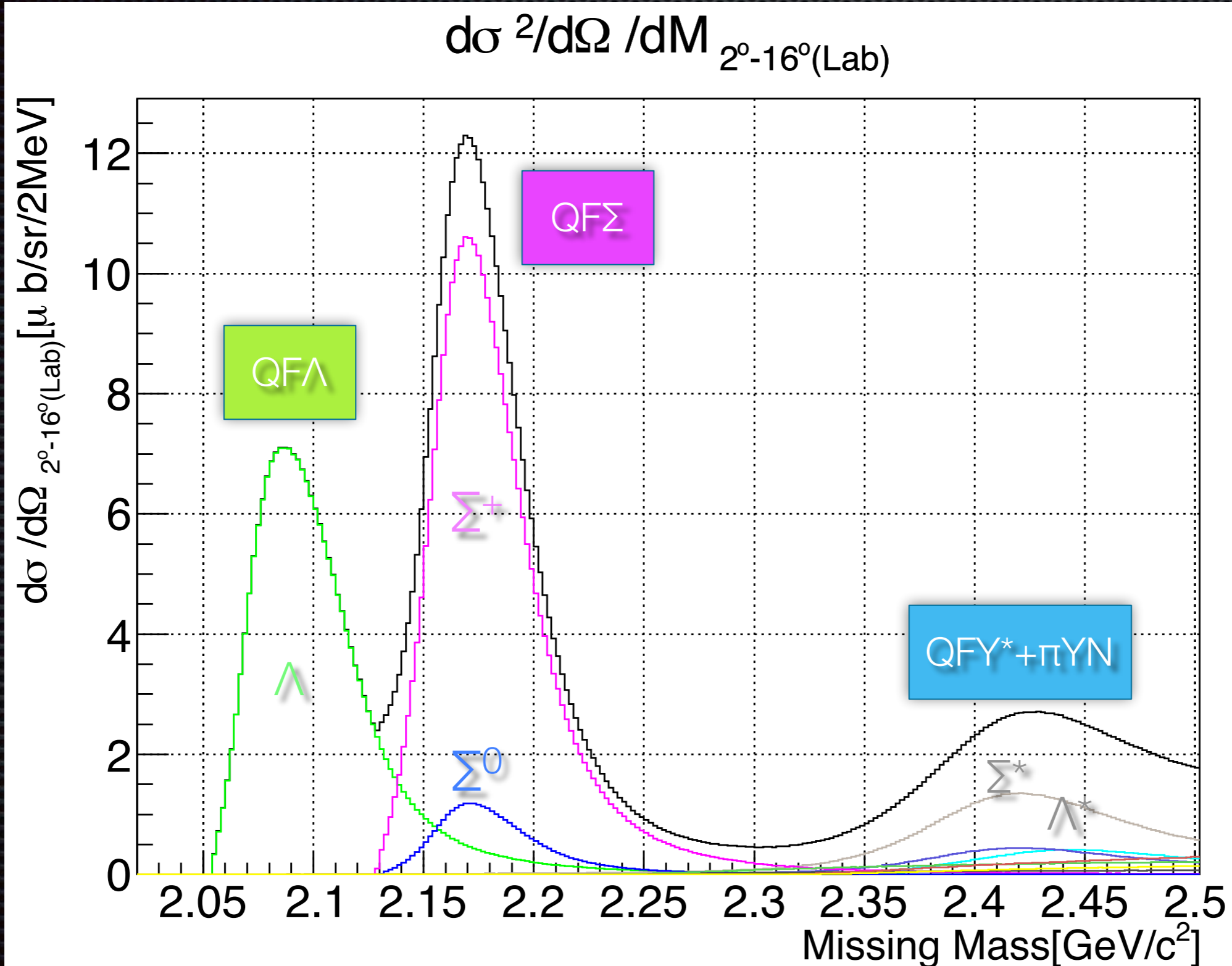
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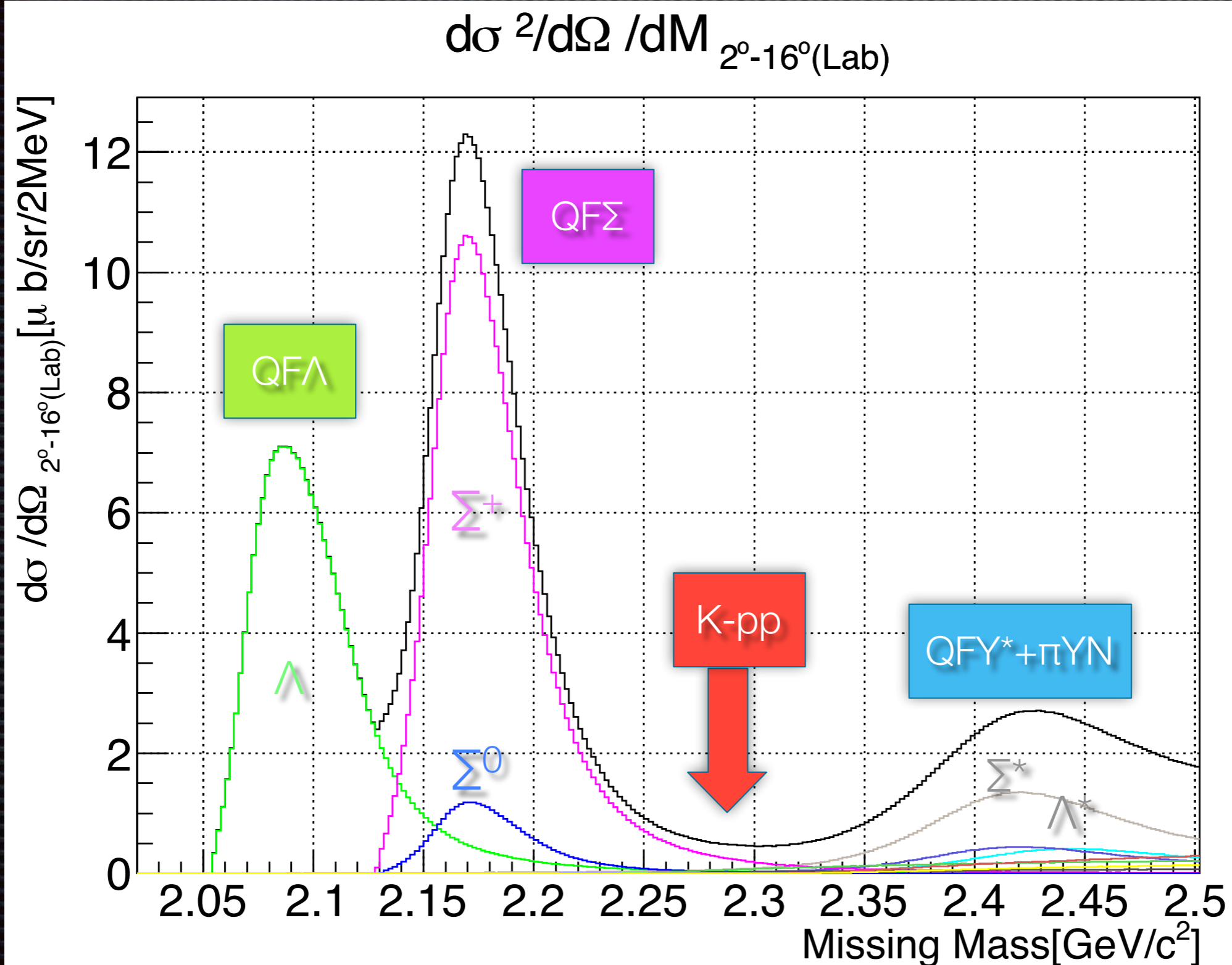
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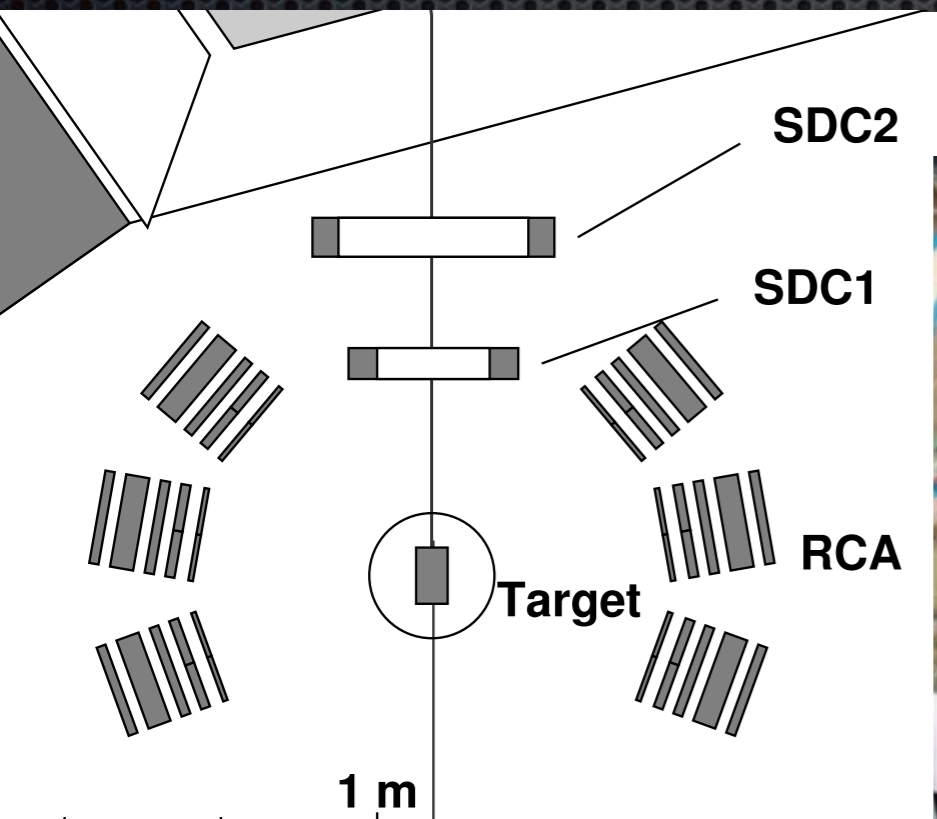
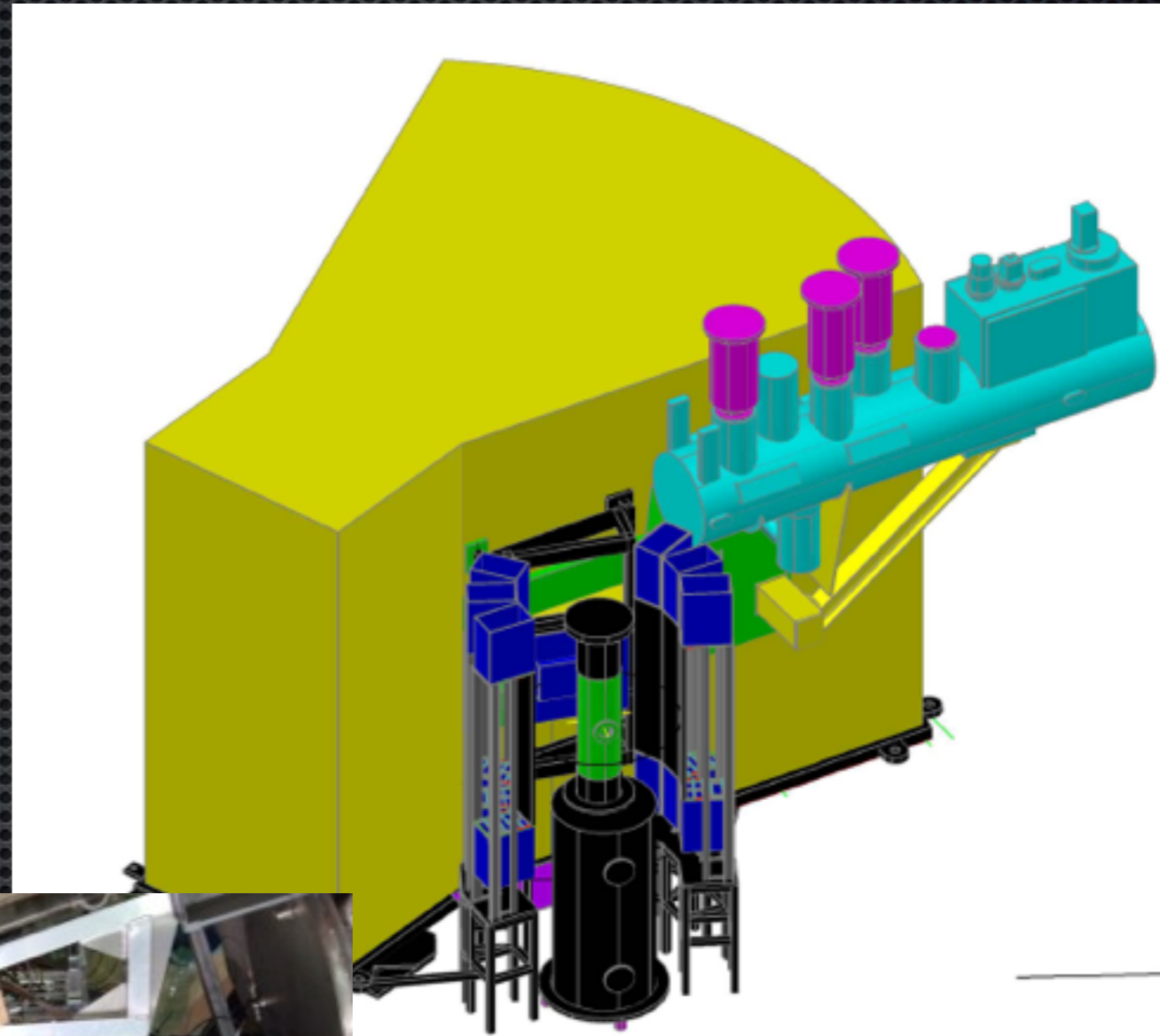


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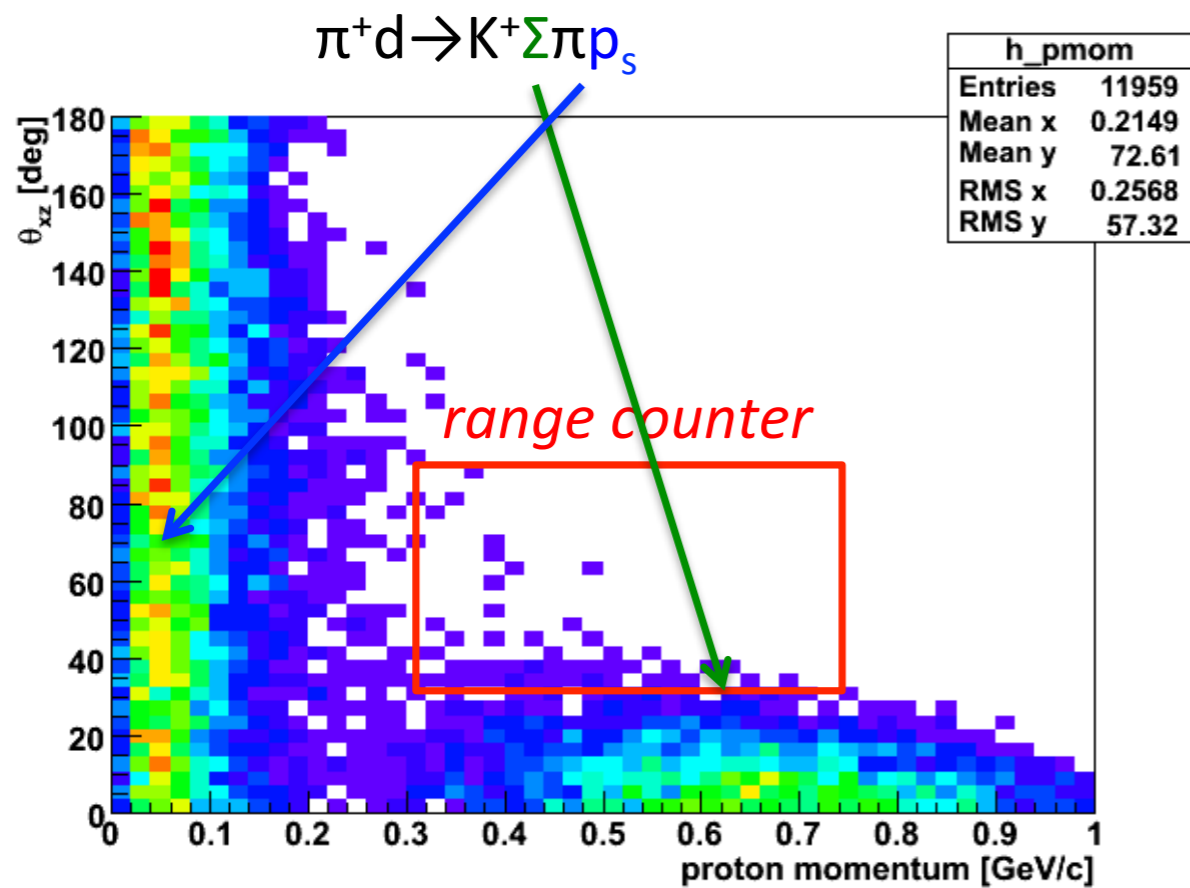
# Range Counter System for E27

- ✦ 5 layers (1+2+2+5+2cm) of plastic scinti.
- ✦ 39 - 122 deg. (L+R)
- ✦ 50 cm TOF

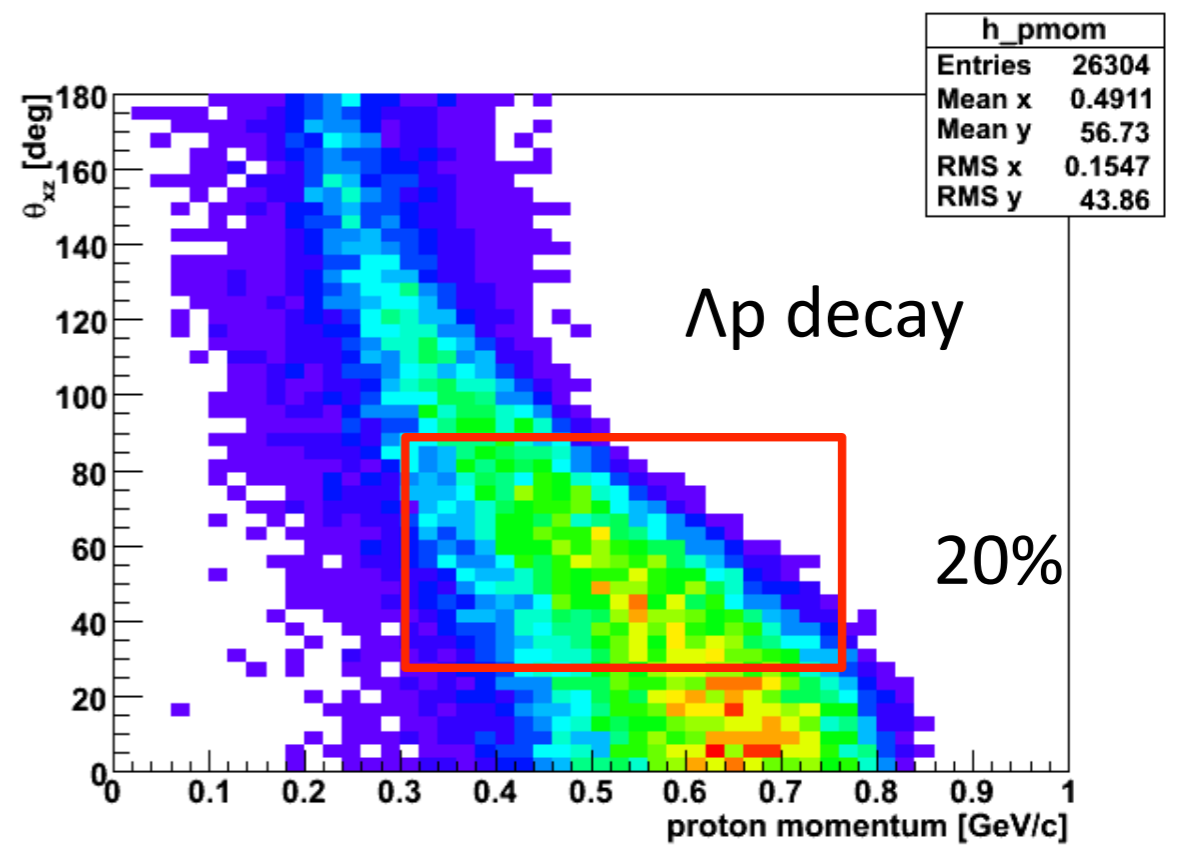


# One-proton tagging

Quasifree  $\Upsilon$  productions

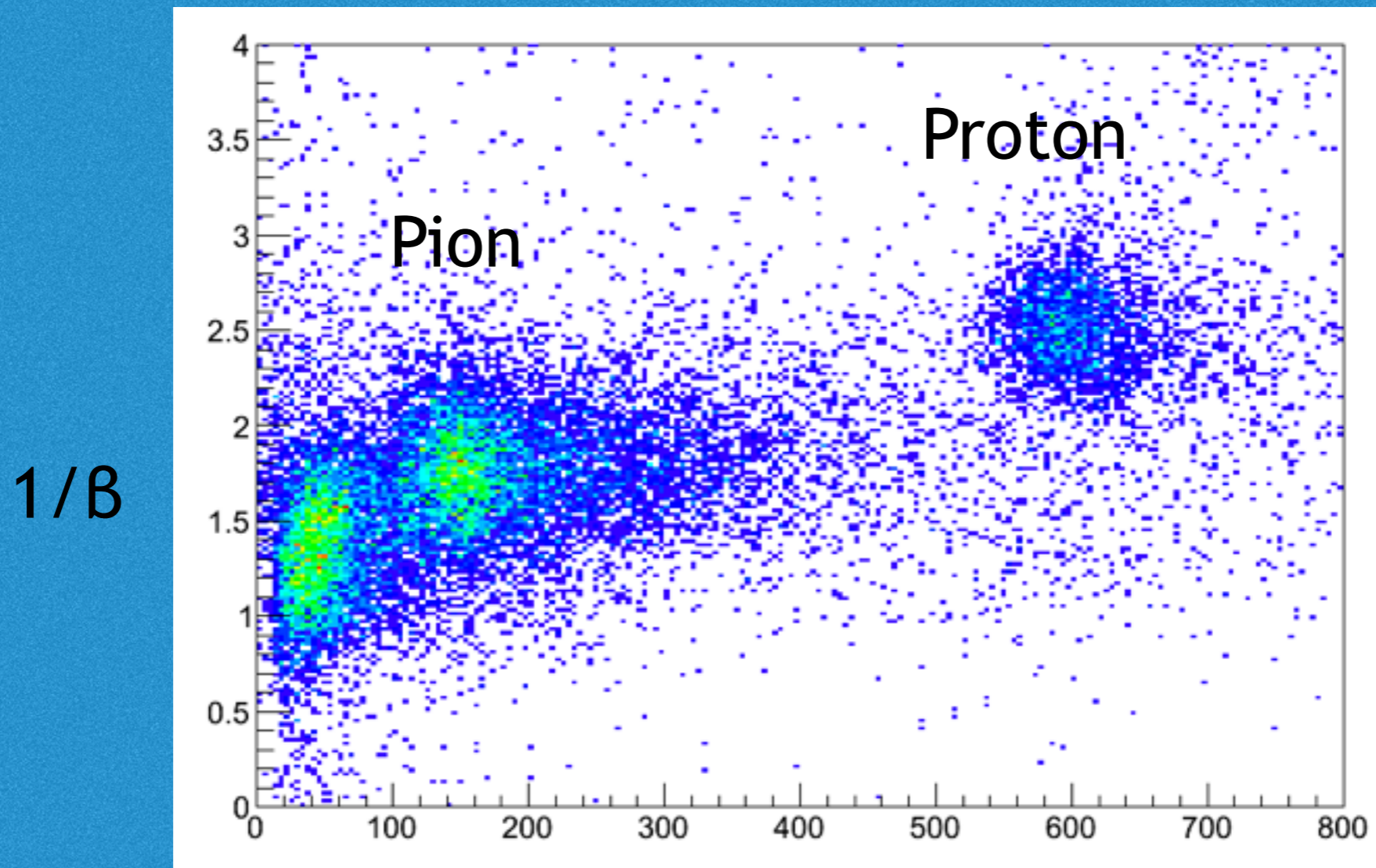


Non-mesonic decay from K-pp





# Particle Identification in Range Counter



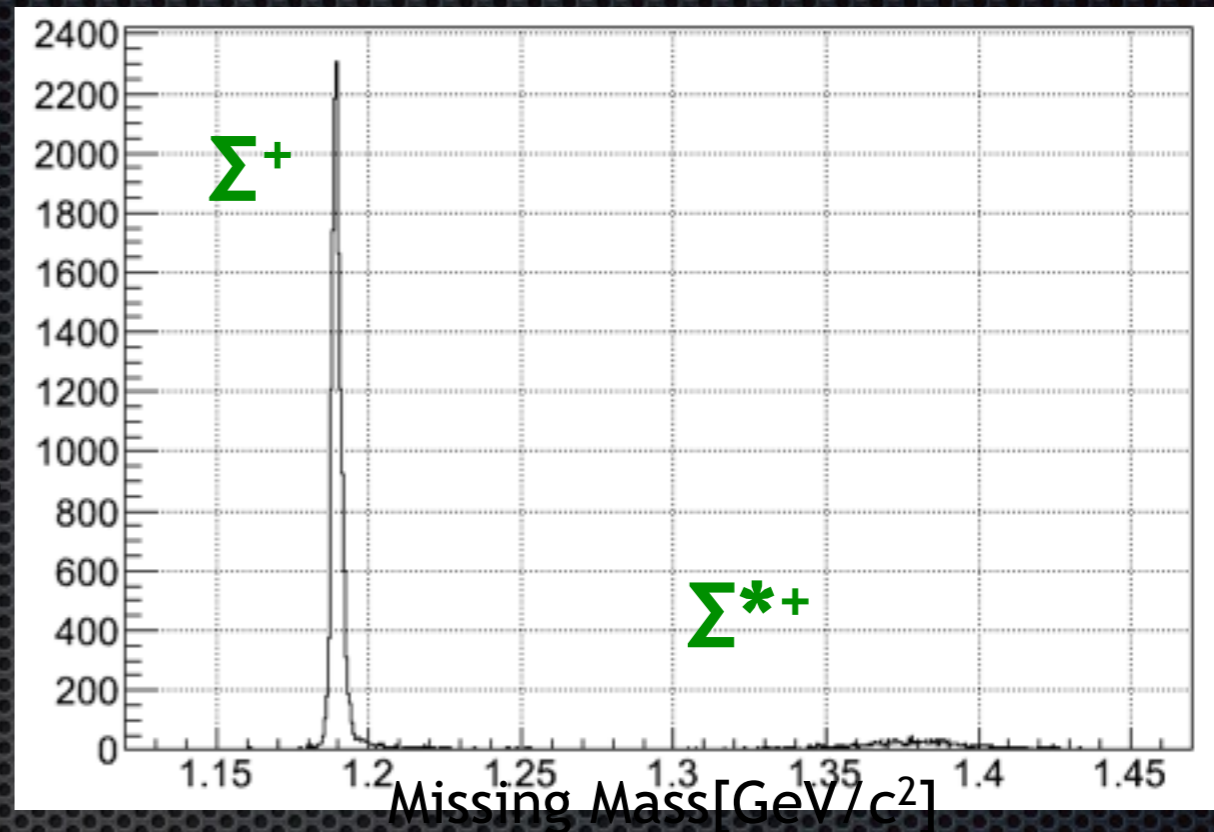
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Range Information

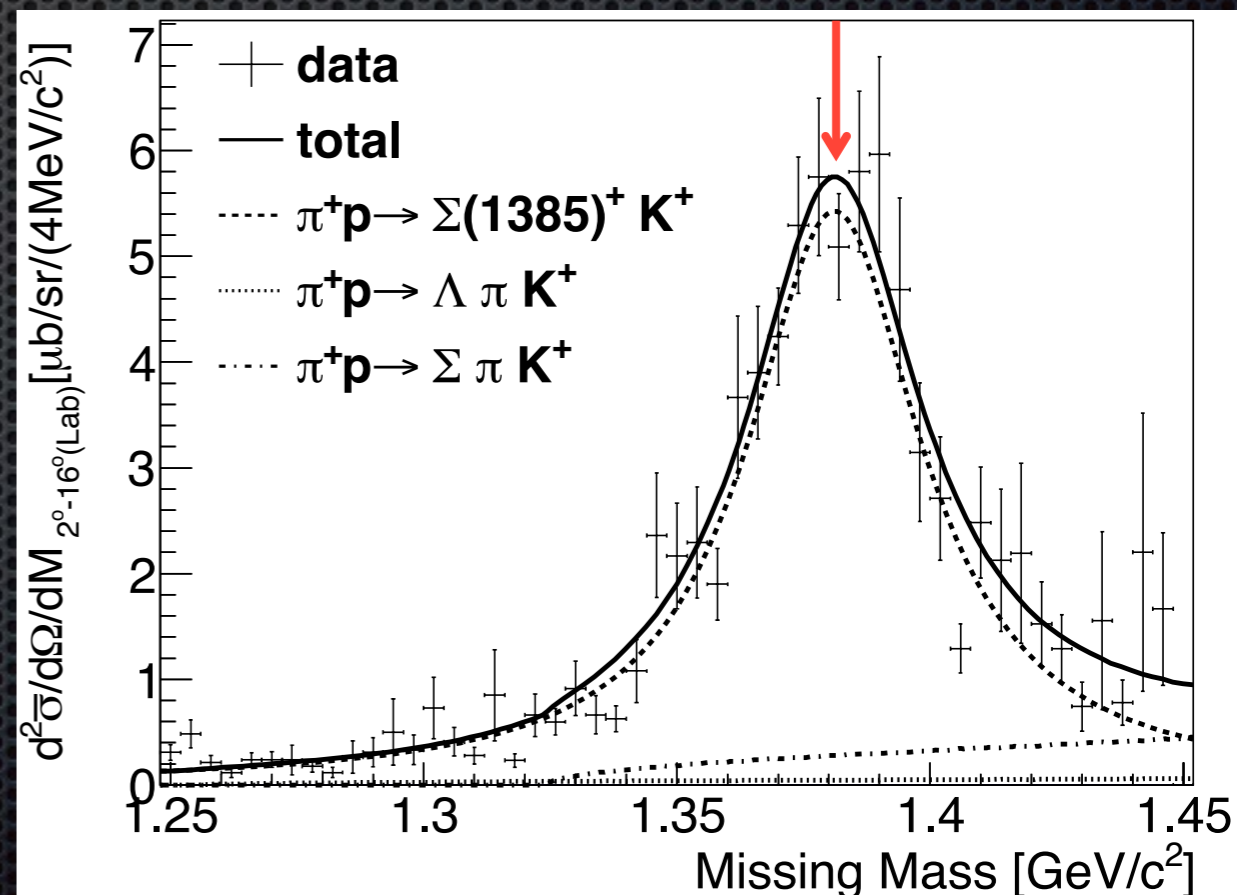
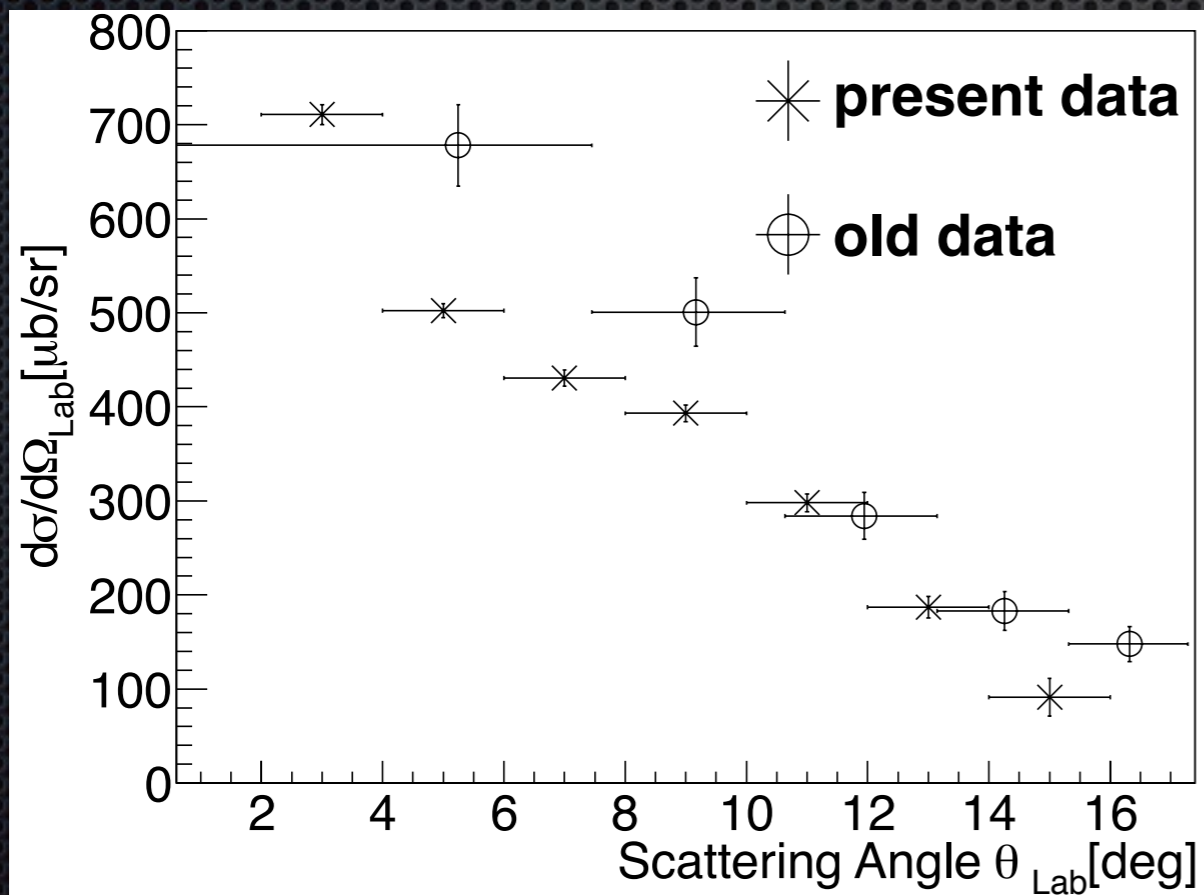
# $\rho(\pi^+, K^+) 1.69 \text{ GeV}/c$

- $\Sigma^+$  production
  - $\Delta M = 3.2 \text{ MeV (FWHM)}$
  - Mass = 1188.92 MeV
- $\Sigma^+(1385)$  production
- $Y\pi$  production

Counts / 1MeV



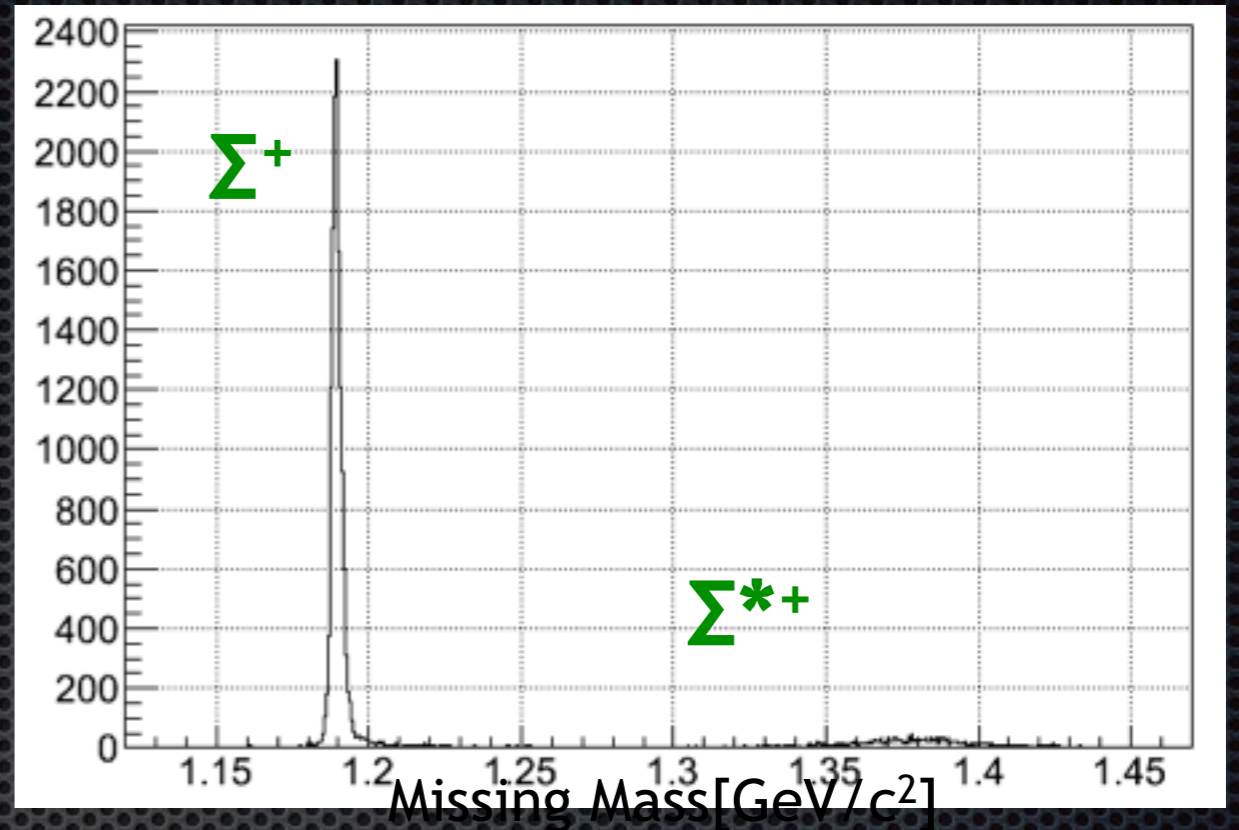
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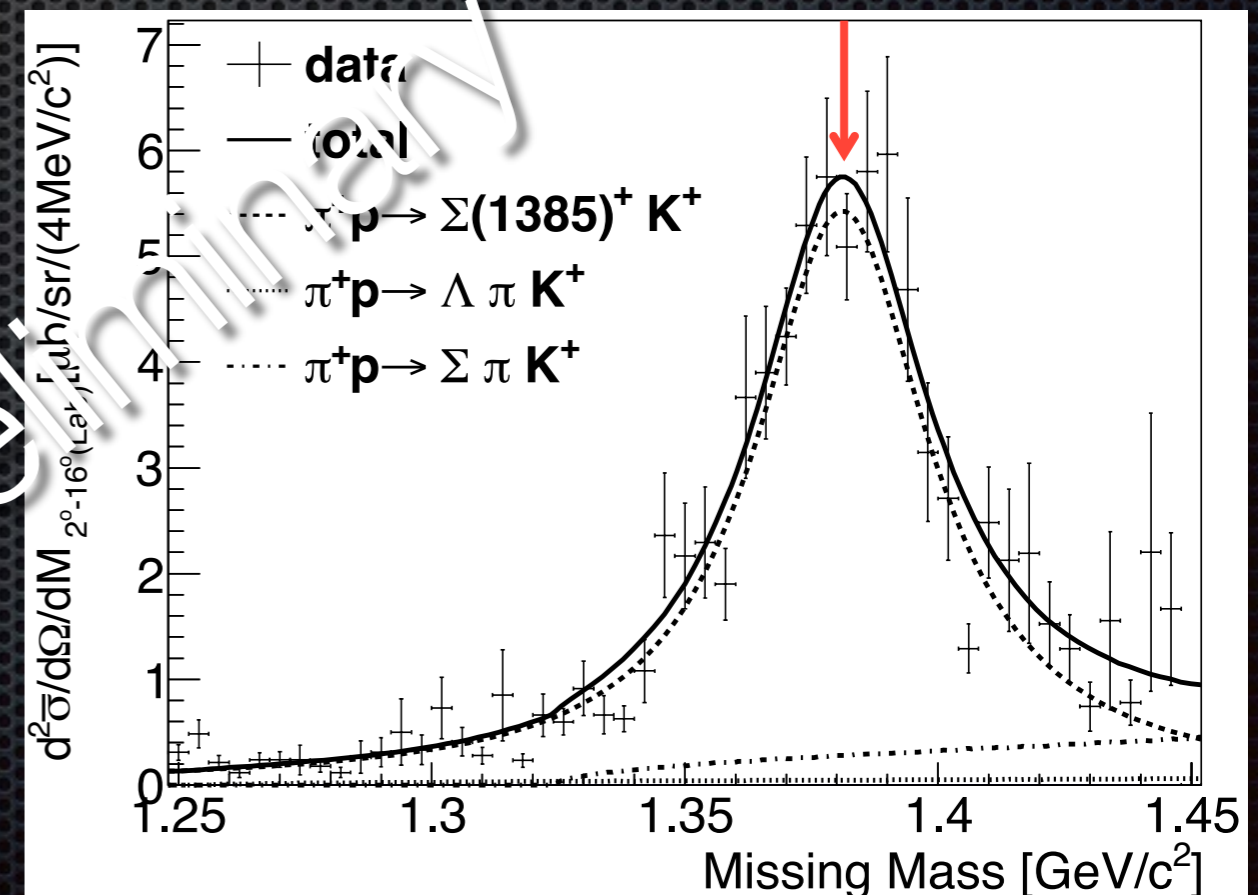
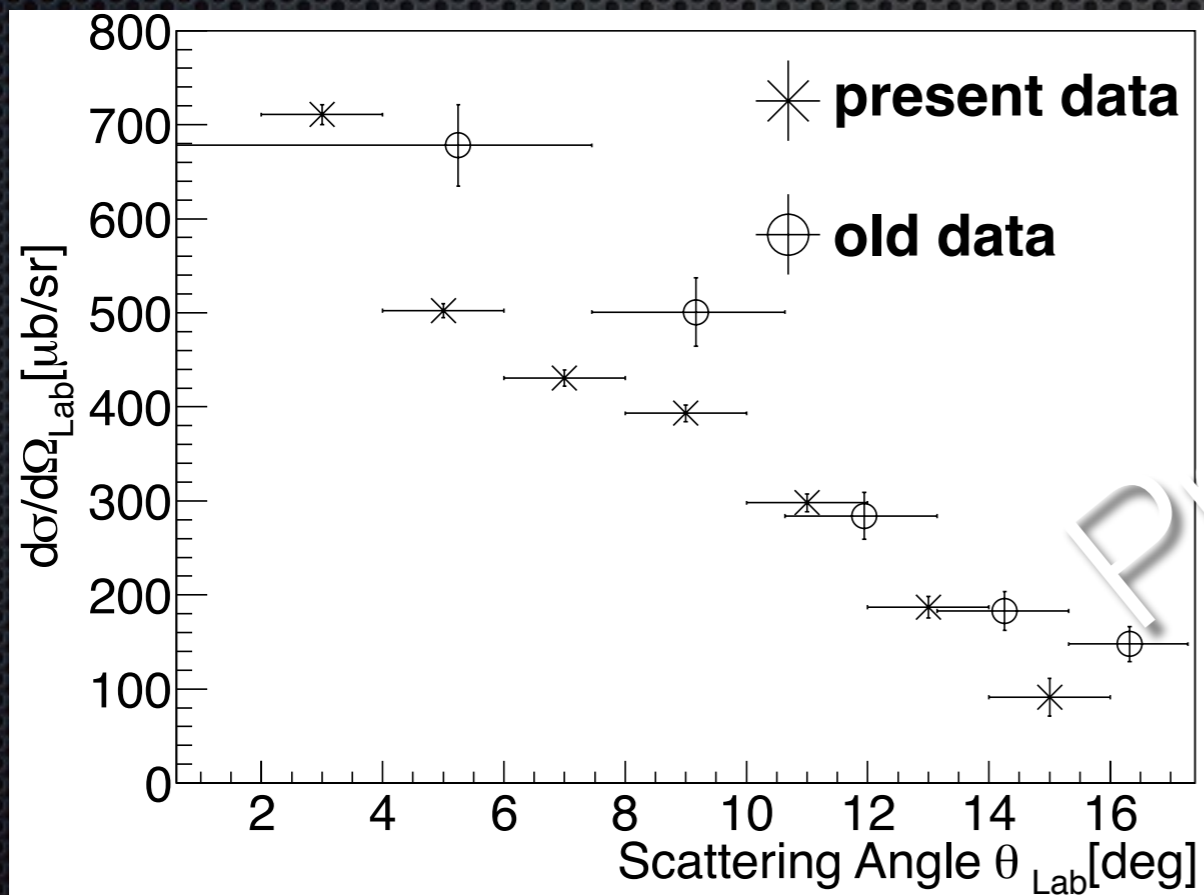
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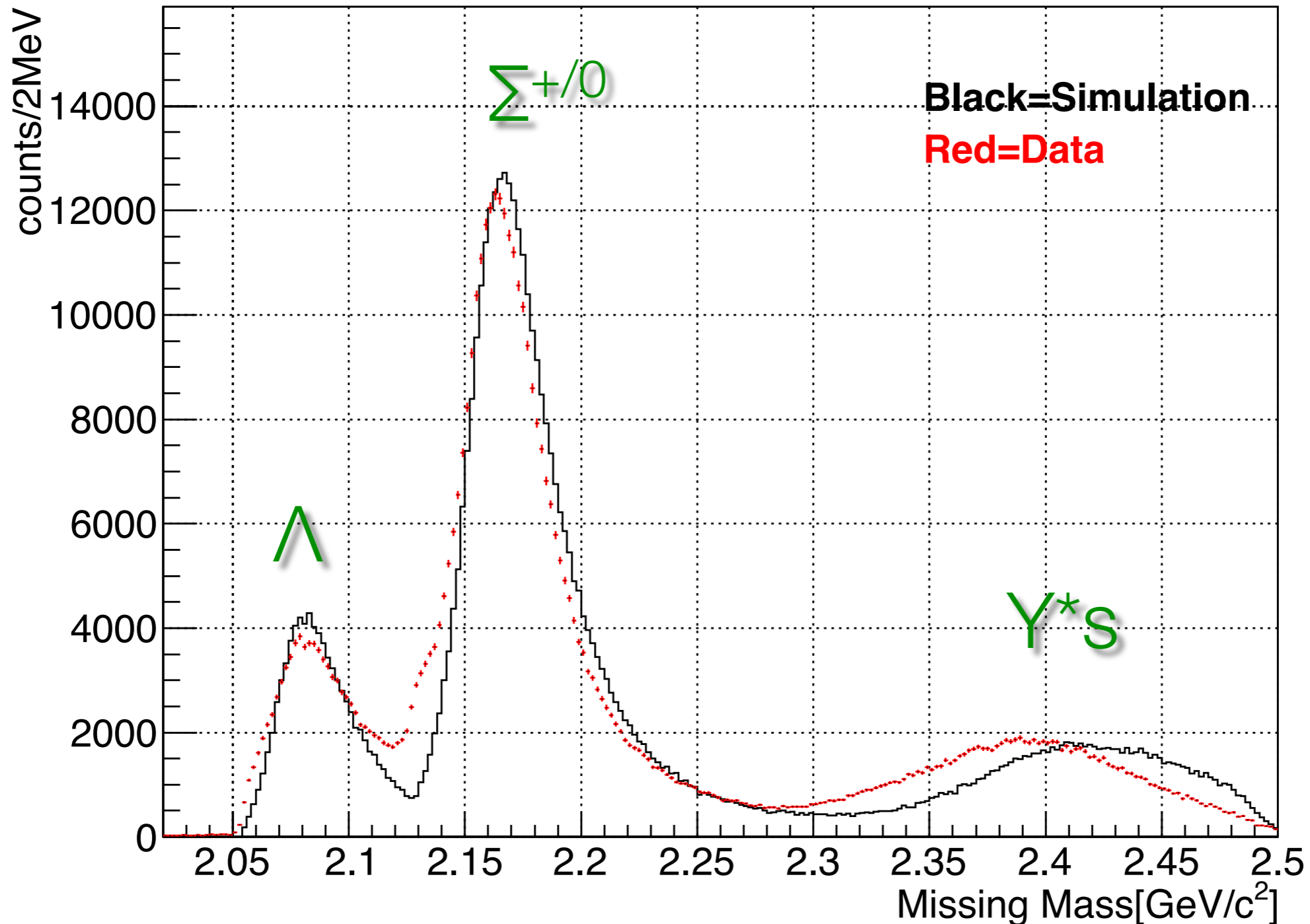


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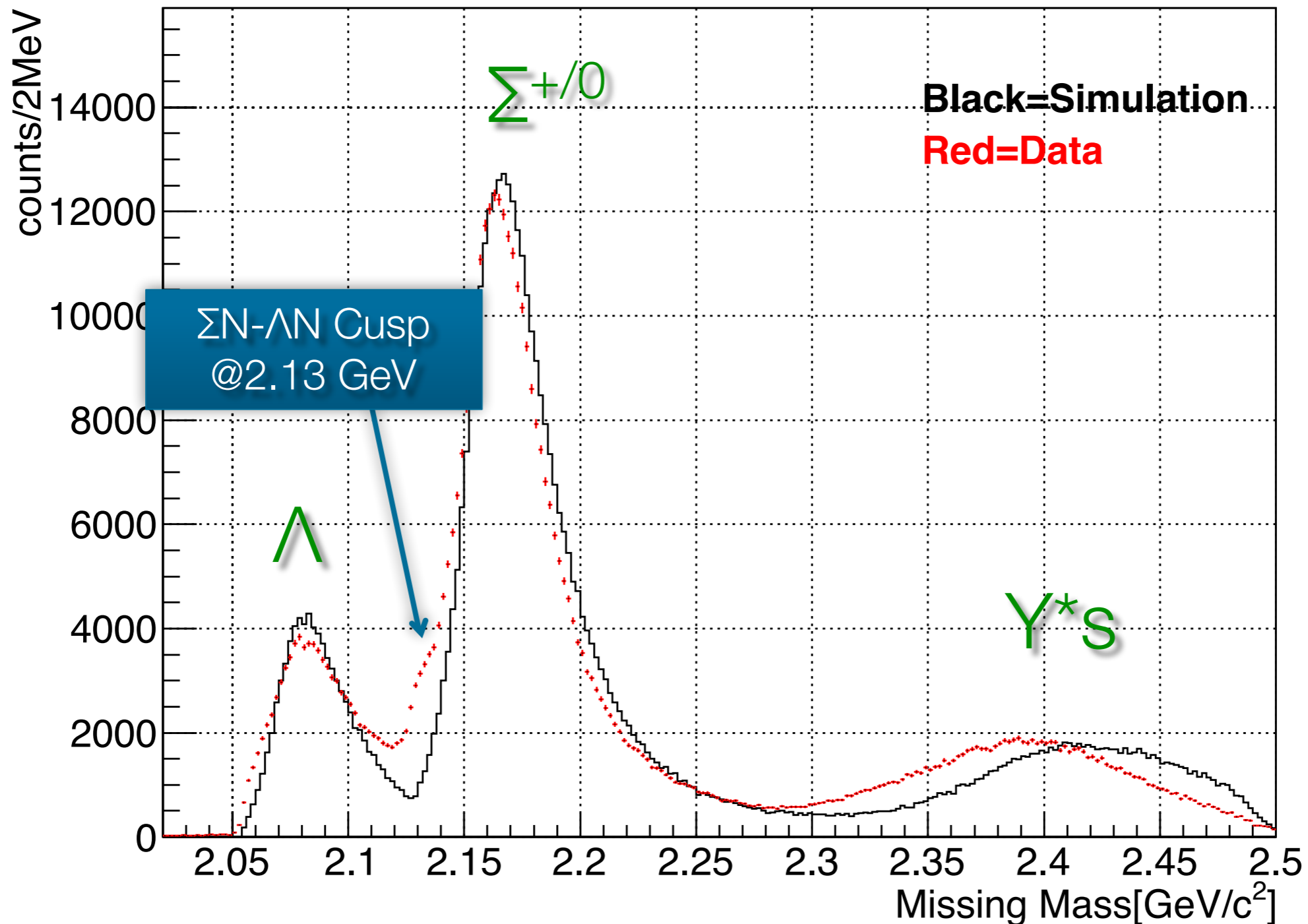
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Missing Mass ( $\theta_{\text{piK(Lab)}} = 2^\circ - 16^\circ$ )



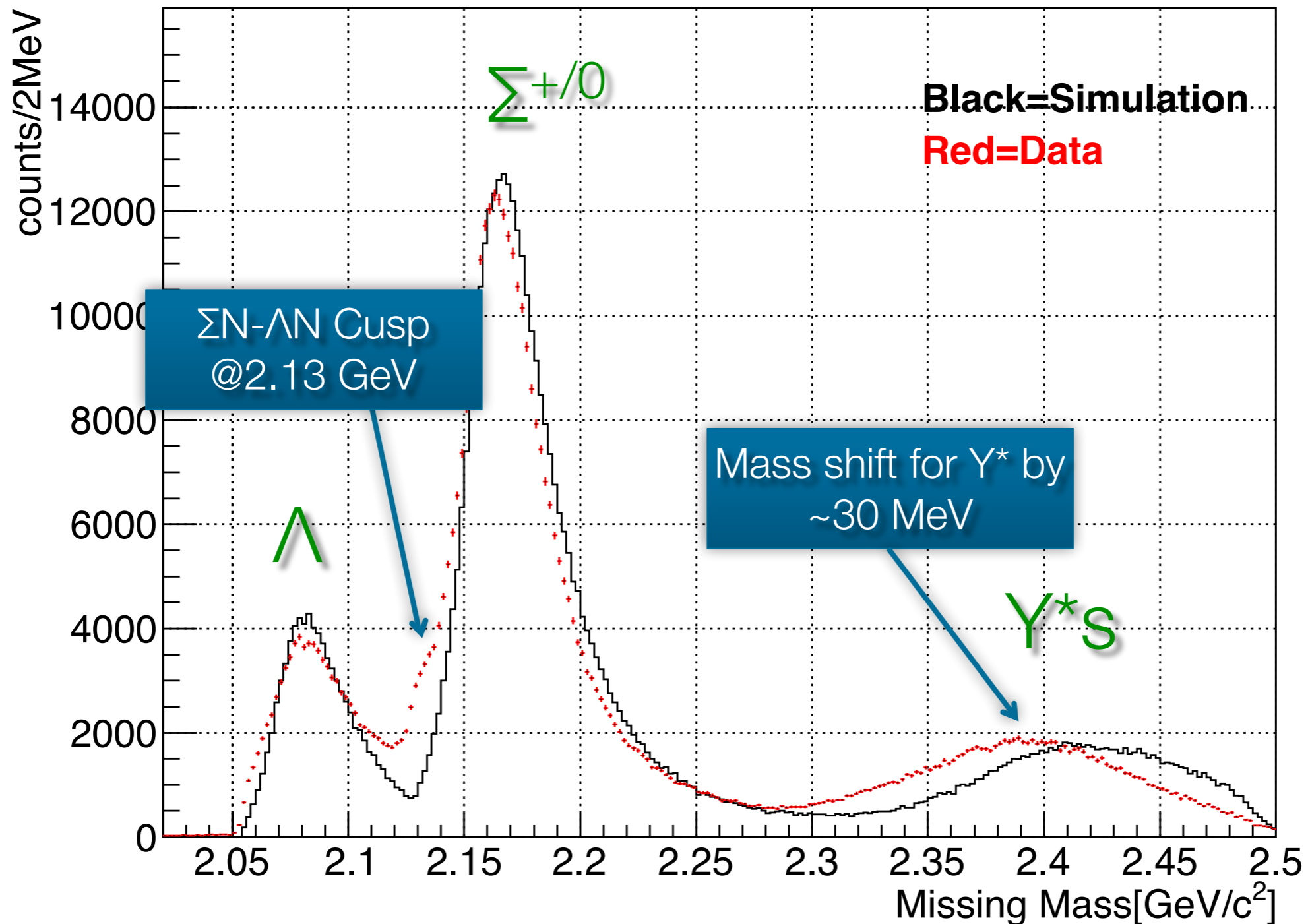
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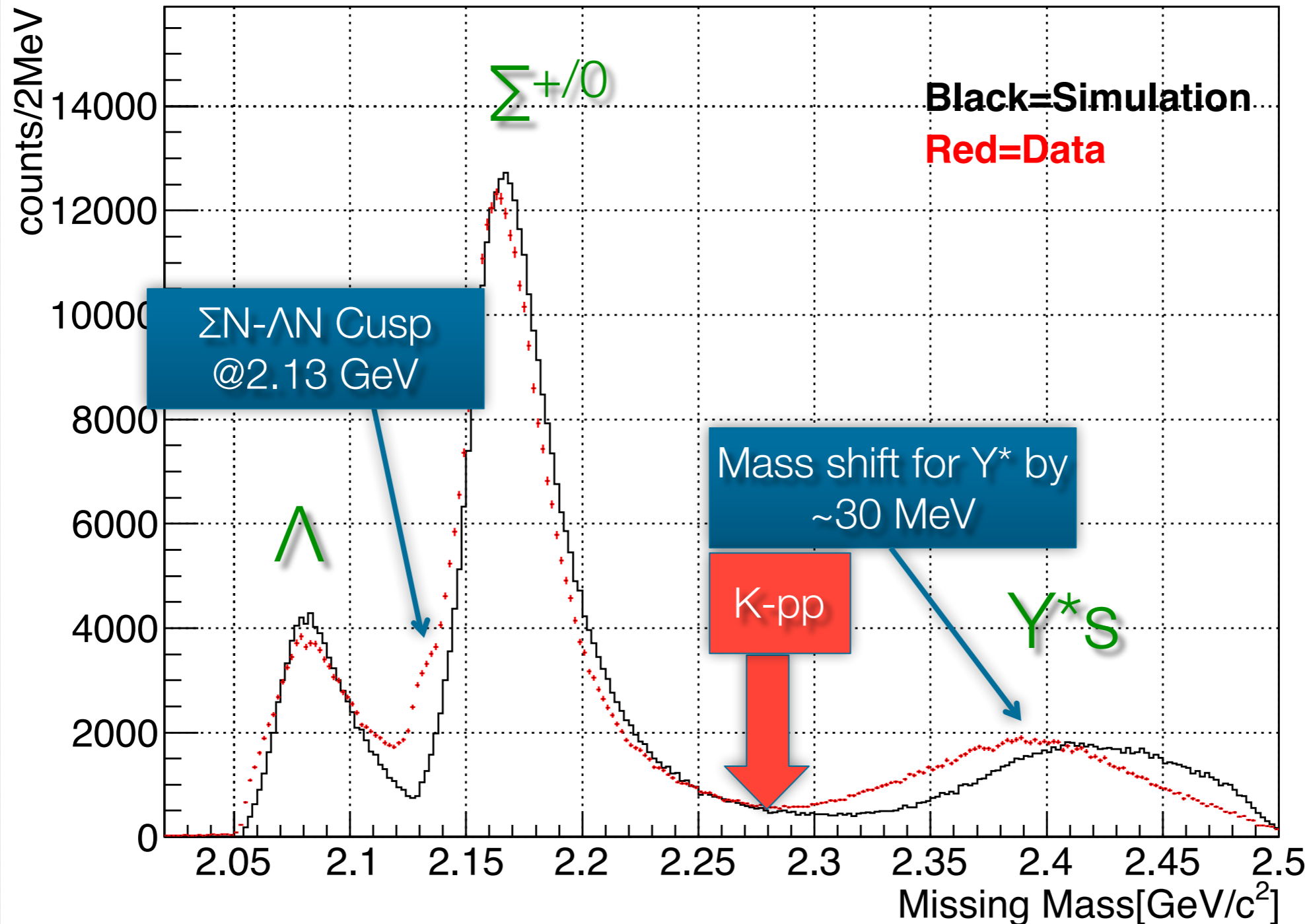
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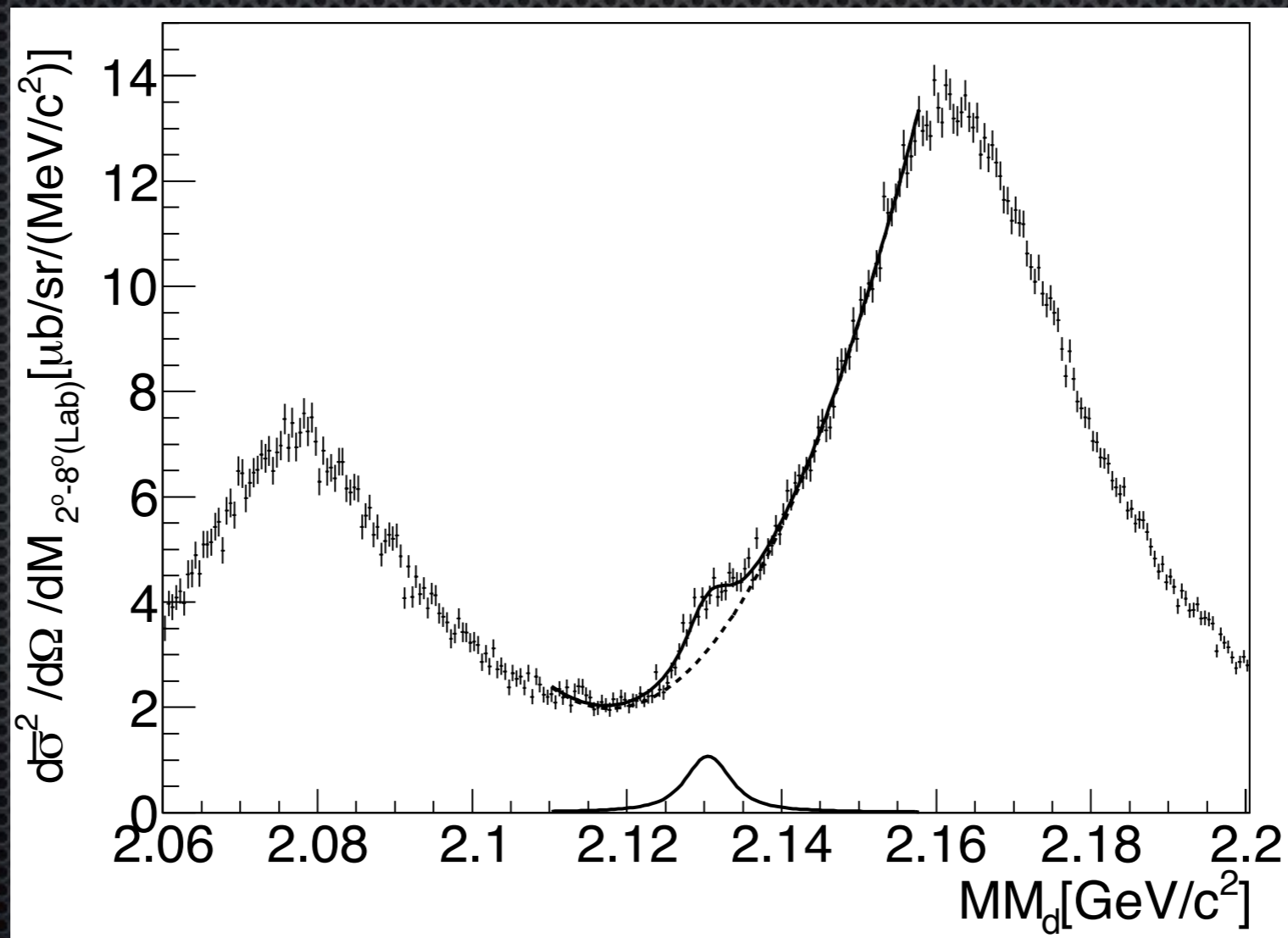
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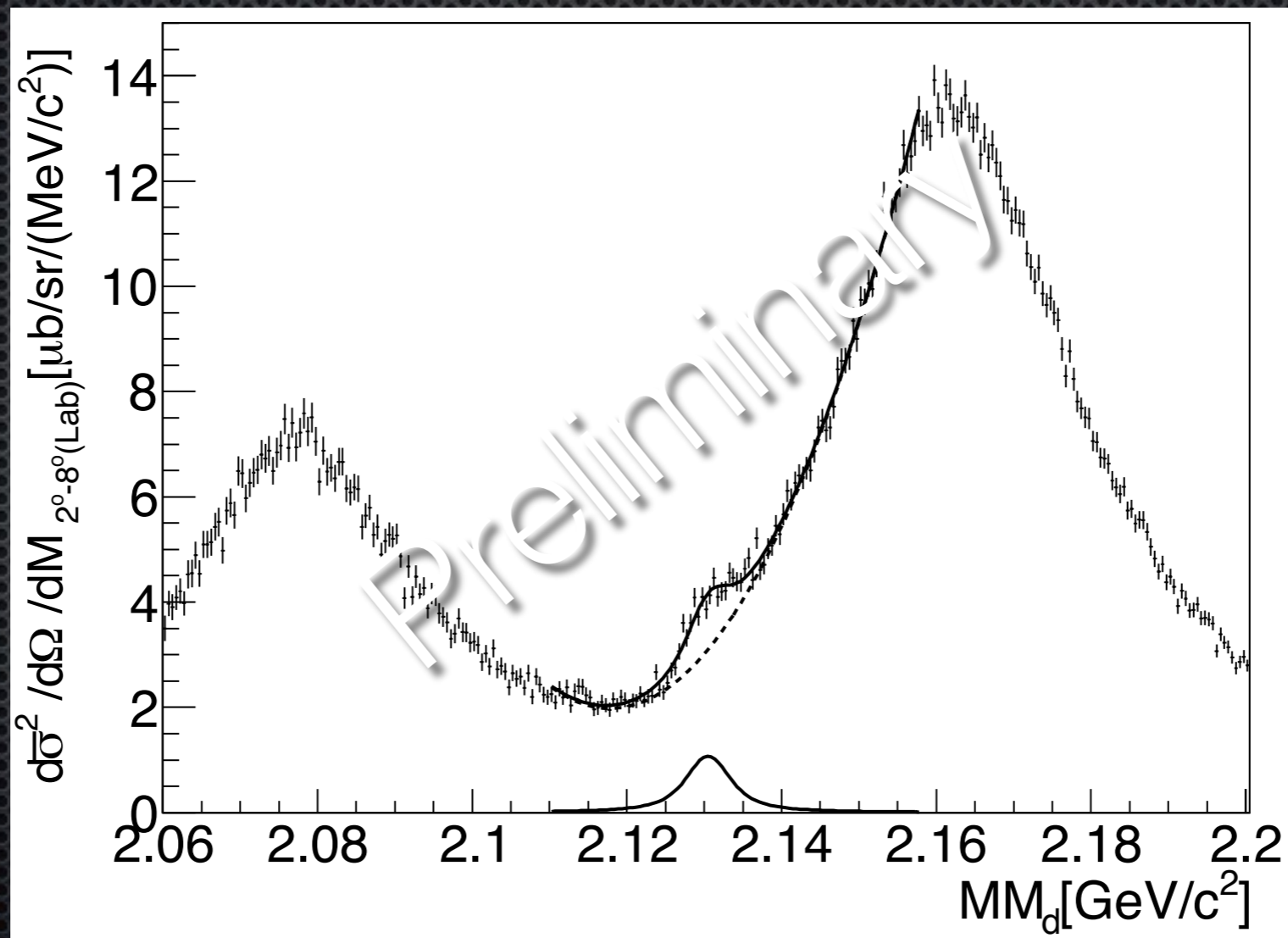
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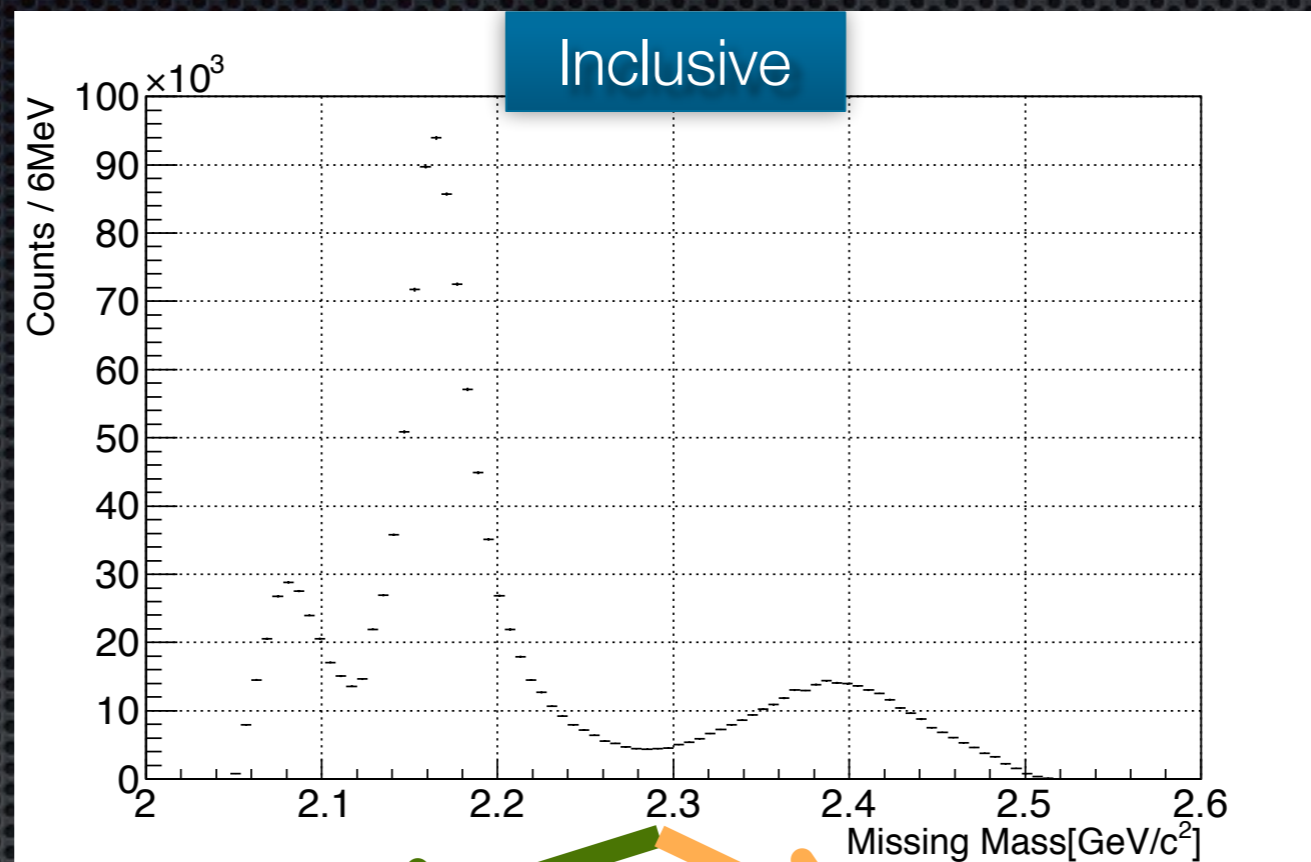


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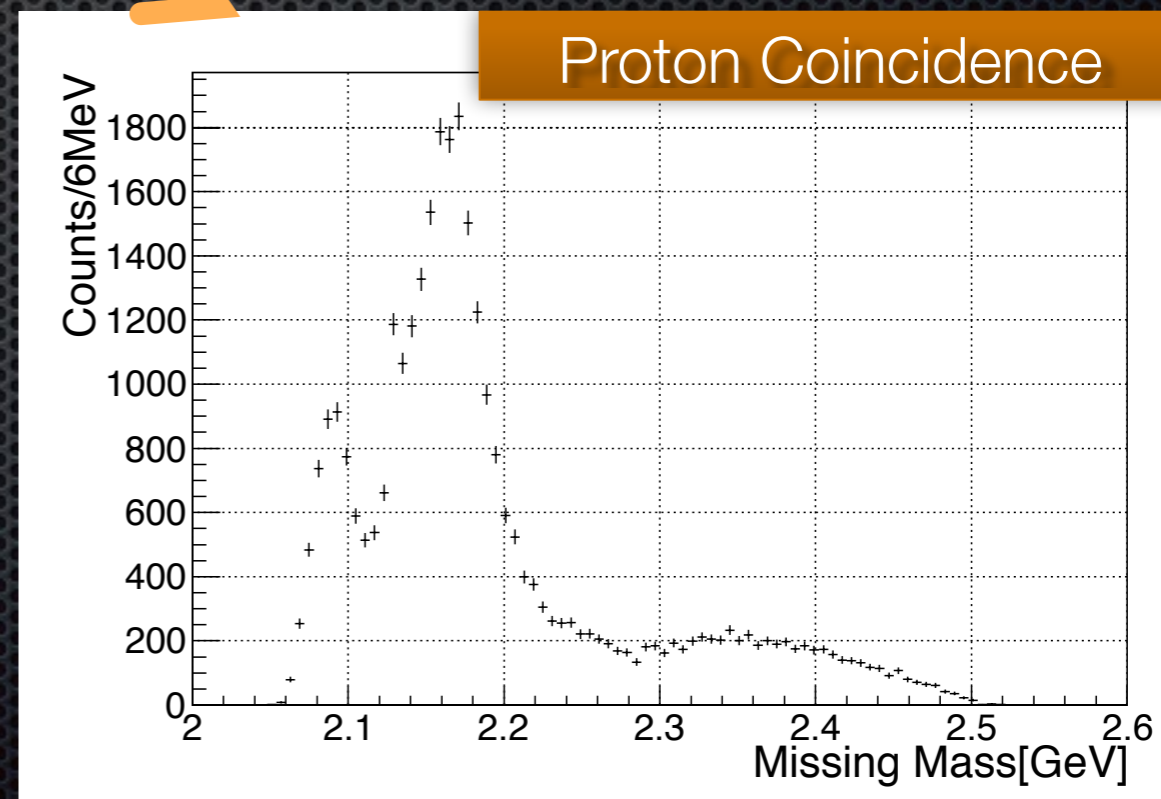
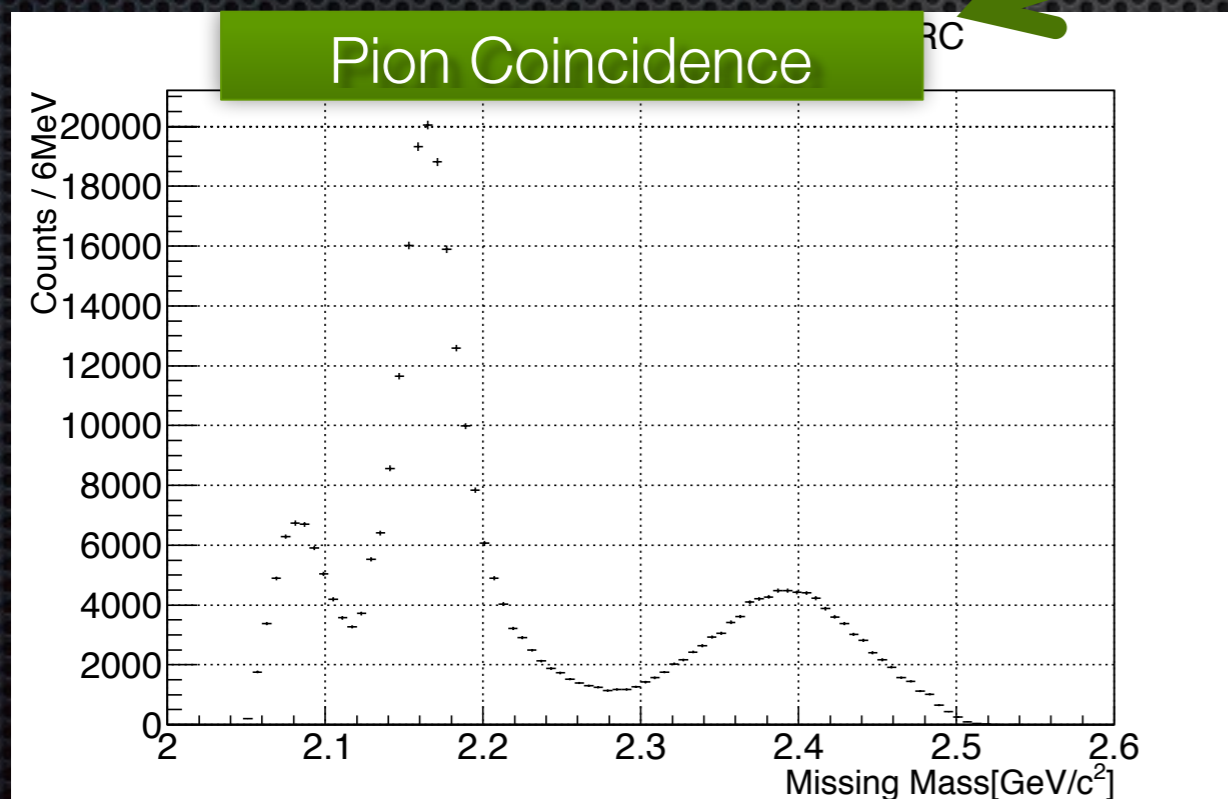


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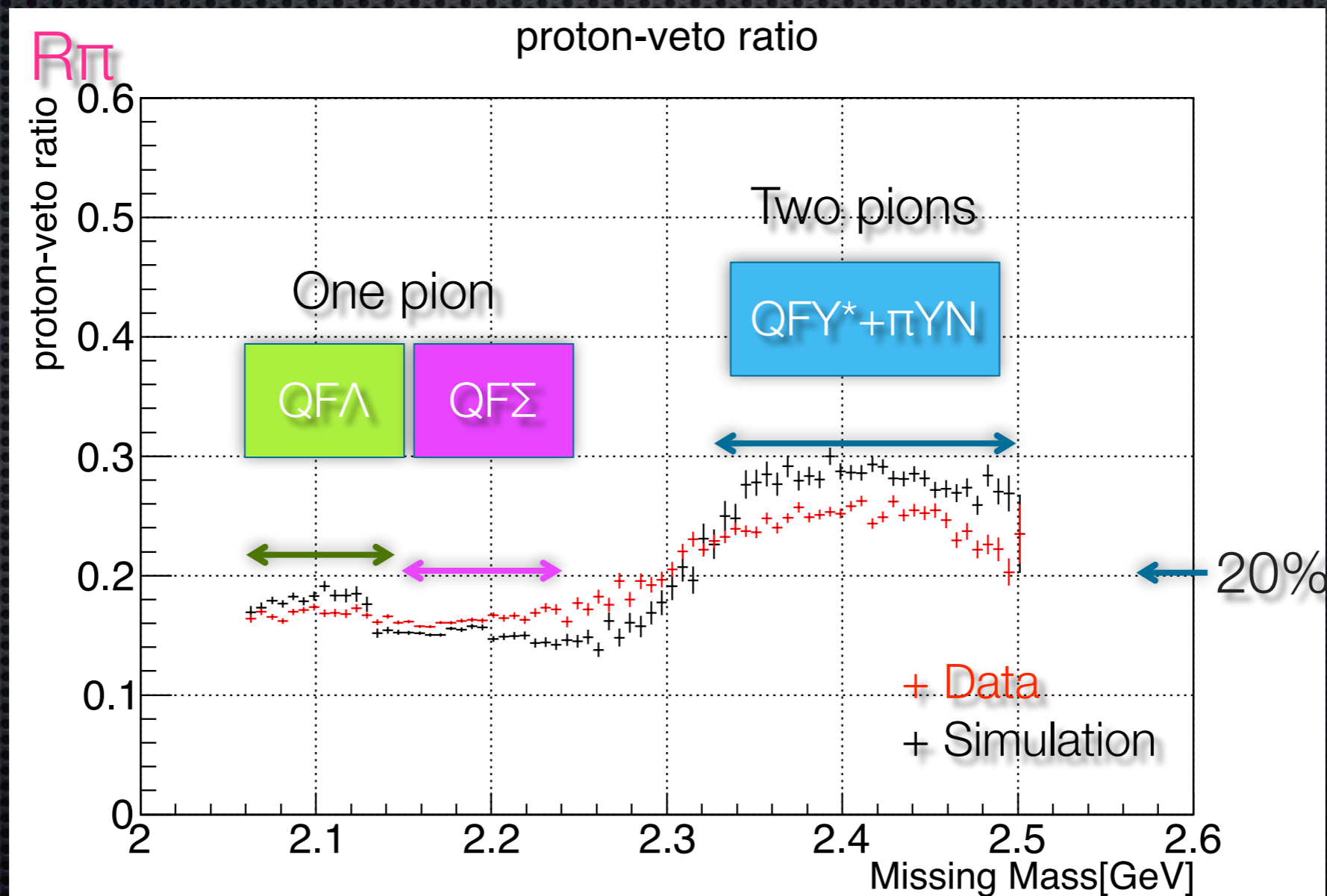
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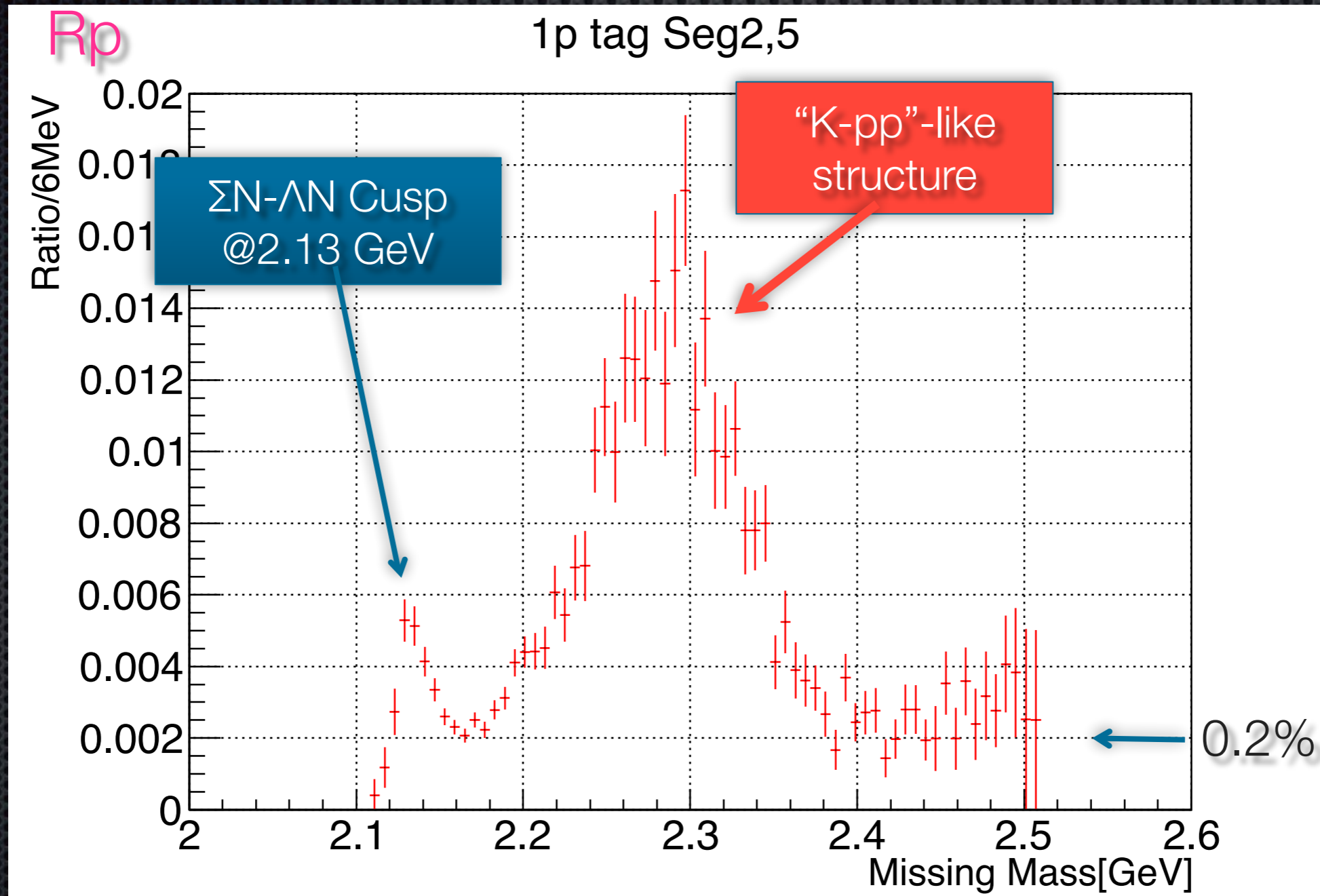


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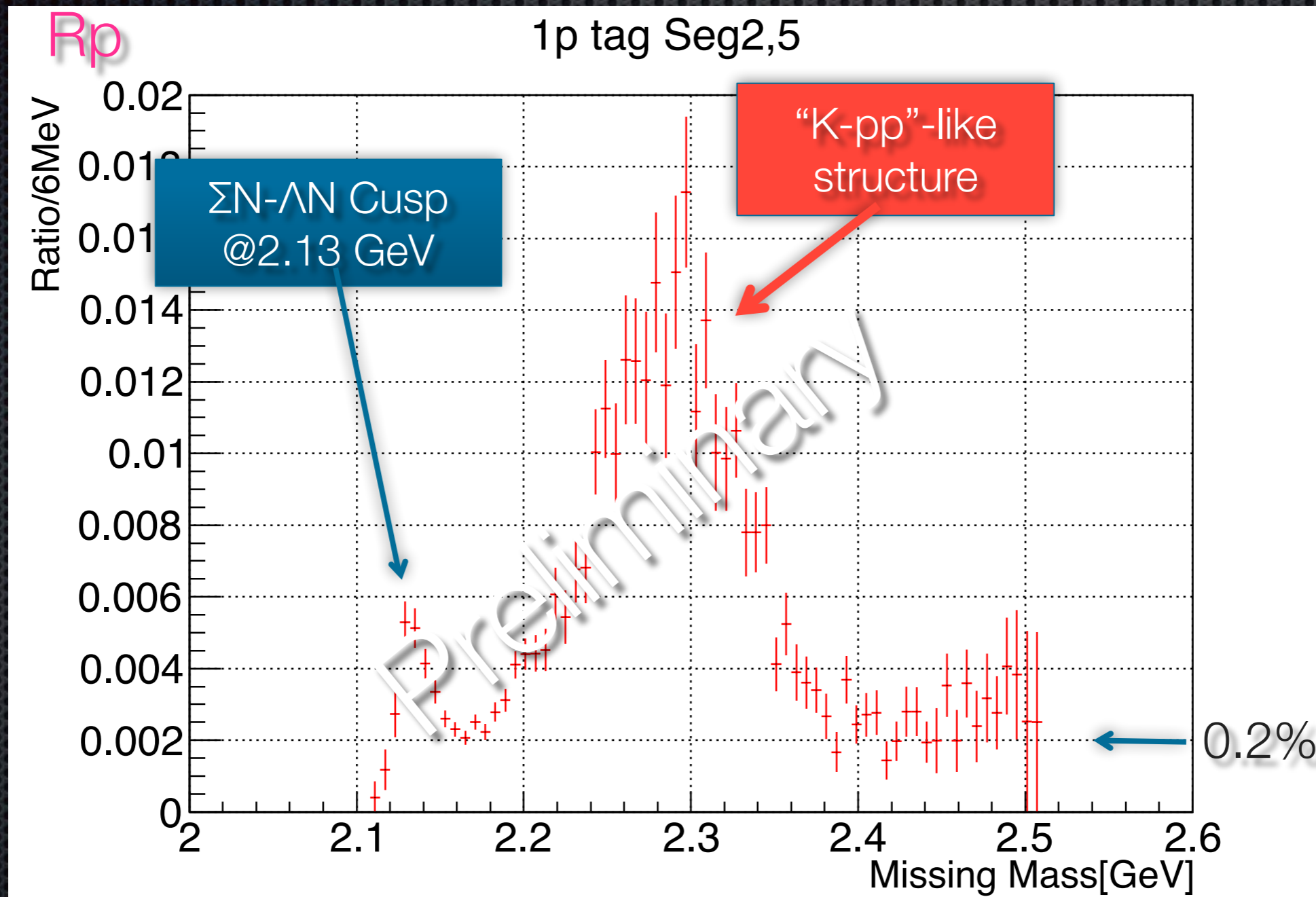
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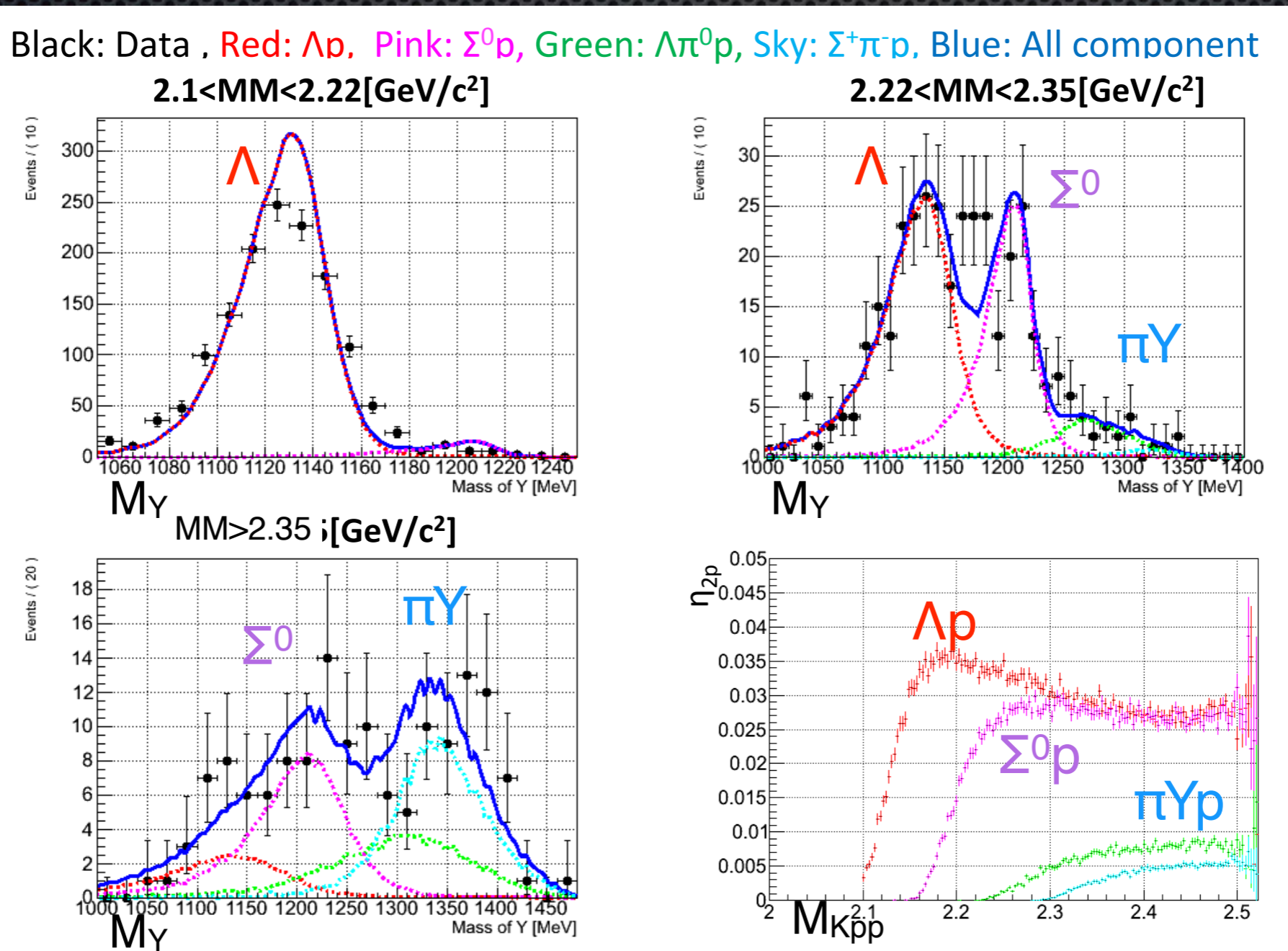
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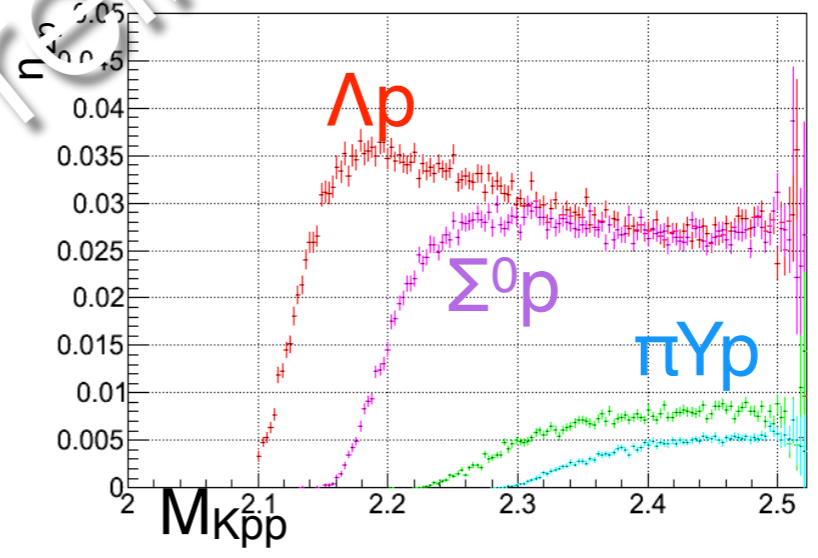
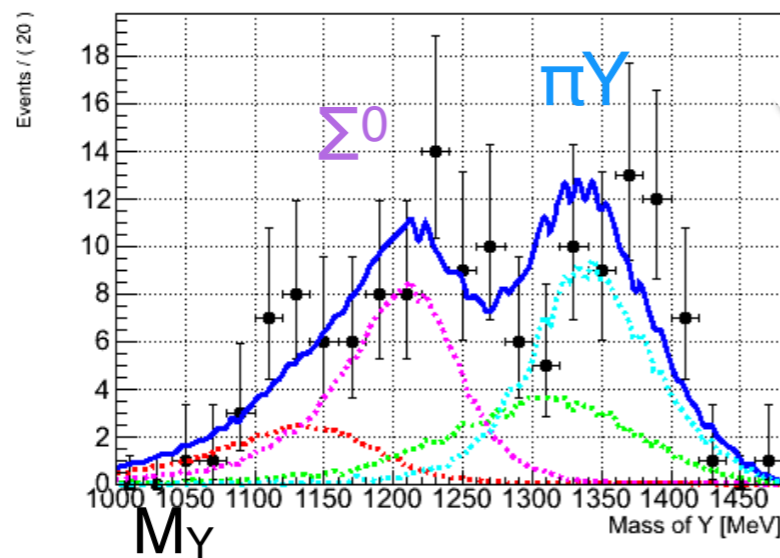
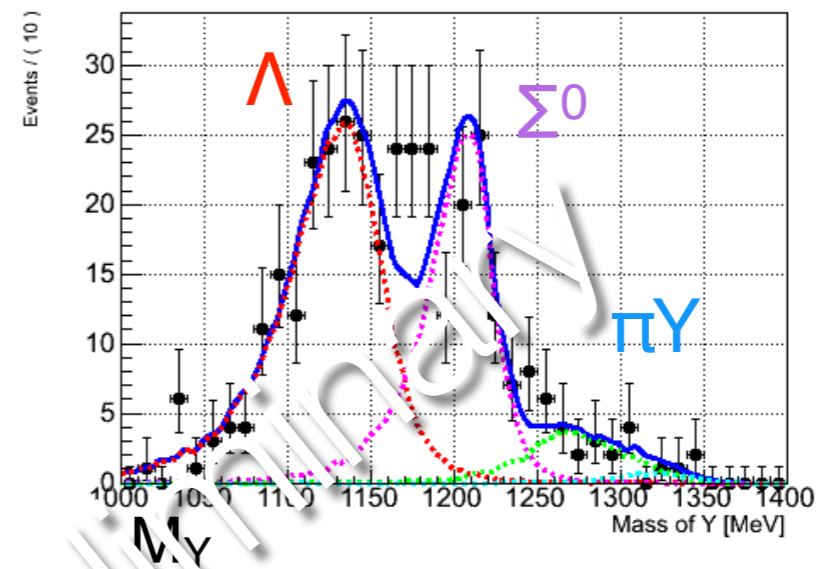
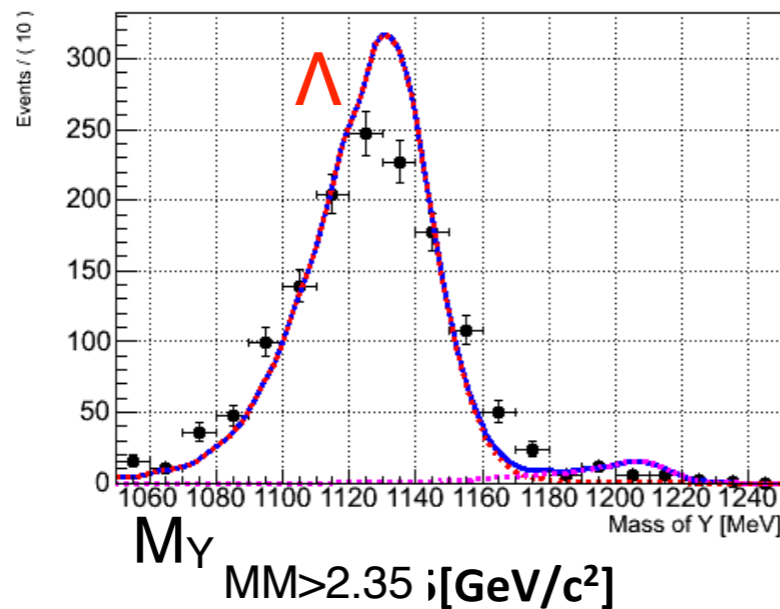


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