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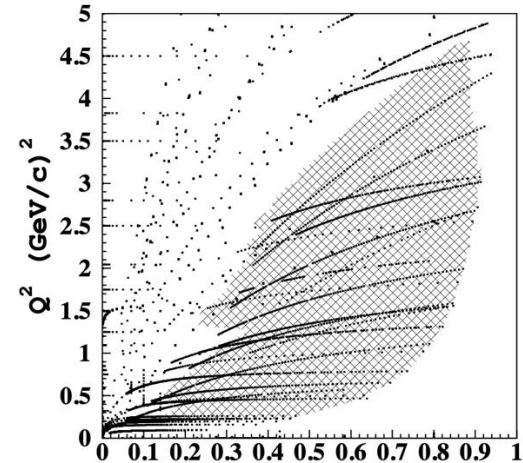
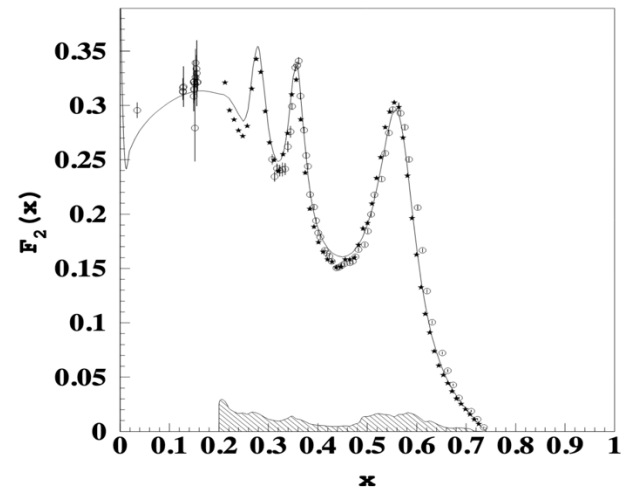
INCLUSIVE CROSS SECTION RESULTS WITH CLAS12



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CLAS RESULTS

- CLAS measured the inclusive cross section up to $x = 0.9$ and Q^2 from 0.25 to 4.5 GeV^2
- Owing to large acceptance of CLAS, the information on inclusive structure function F_2 can be obtained within a wide range of W from pion threshold to maximal kinematically allowed W -values in any given bin of Q^2 covered in the measurements



World data used for moment evaluations of F_2 . Shaded area corresponds to CLAS.

Stars: M. Osipenko et al., *Phys. Rev. D* 67 (2003), 092001, [hep-ph 0301204]
Other points: world data, see above paper

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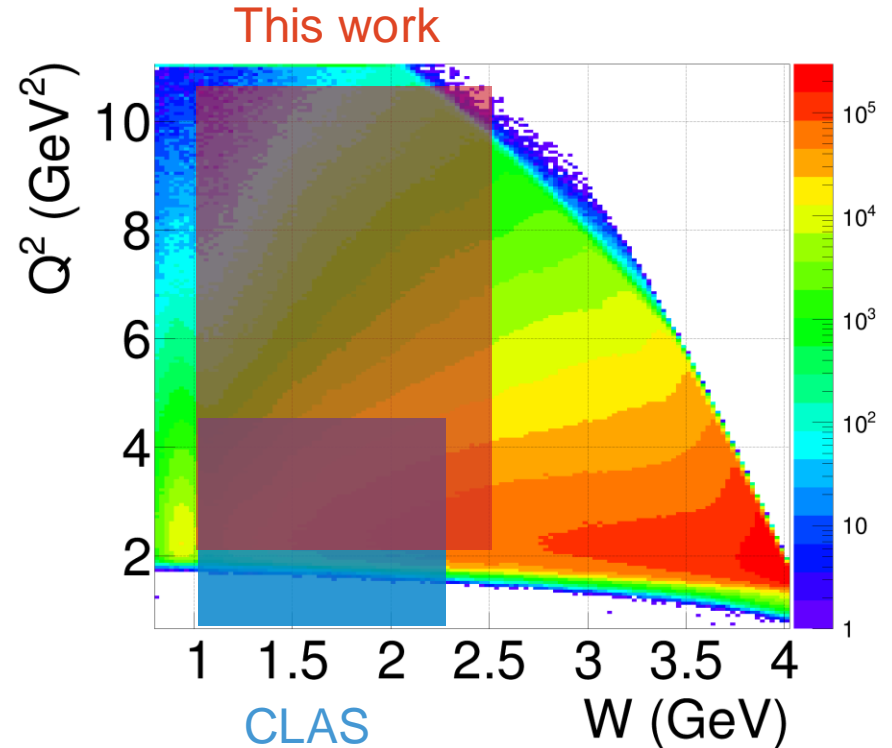
CROSS SECTION EXTRACTION

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2 dW} = \frac{1}{\Delta Q^2 \Delta W} \cdot \frac{N}{\eta \cdot R \cdot B \cdot N_0} \cdot \frac{1}{N_A \rho t / A_\omega}$$

- Q^2 - four-momentum transfer squared
- W - invariant mass of the final hadron system
- R - radiative correction factor
- B - bin size correction
- N - bin event yield
- η - is the product of geometrical acceptance and electron detection efficiency
- N_A - Avogadro's number
- ρ - target density
- t - target length
- A_ω - atomic weight of the target
- N_0 - live-time corrected incident electron flux summed over all data runs

ELECTRON PID

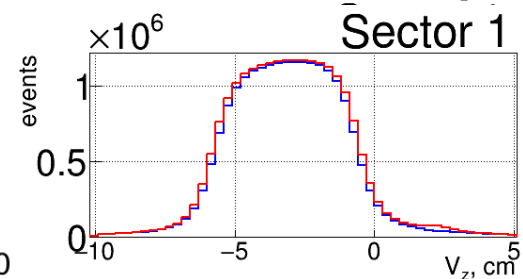
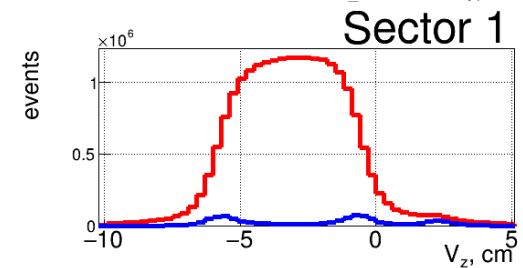
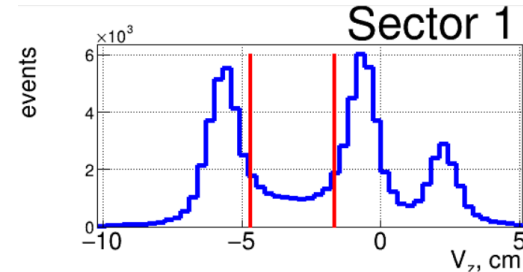
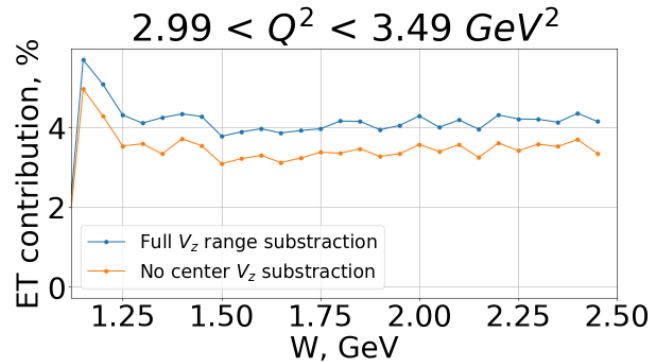
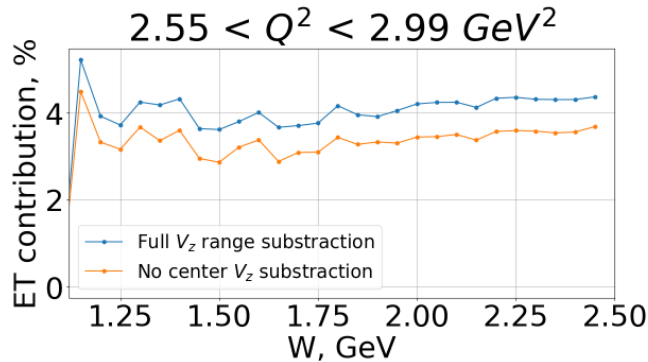
- Limited to Forward Detector (5 - 35° coverage in polar angle)
- Event Builder ID
- DC and PCAL Fiducial cuts
- $-8 < \text{Vertex } Z < 2 \text{ cm}$
- 3.5- σ cuts on a parameterized momentum-dependent sampling fraction.
- Electron/pion separation (triangular cut)



EMPTY TARGET CONTRIBUTION

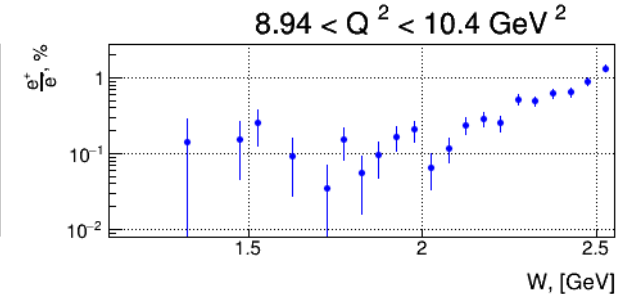
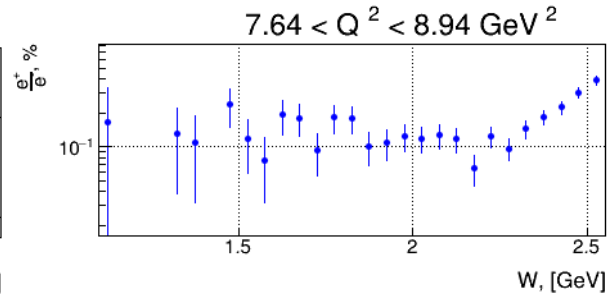
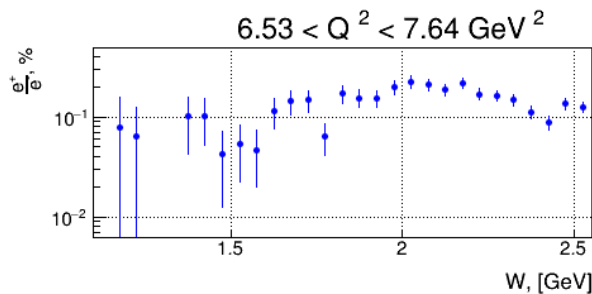
$$yield_{hydrogen} = yield_{Full\ Target} - yield_{empty} * \frac{Q_{Full\ Target}}{Q_{Empty}}$$

Empty target contribution for a few Q^2 bins



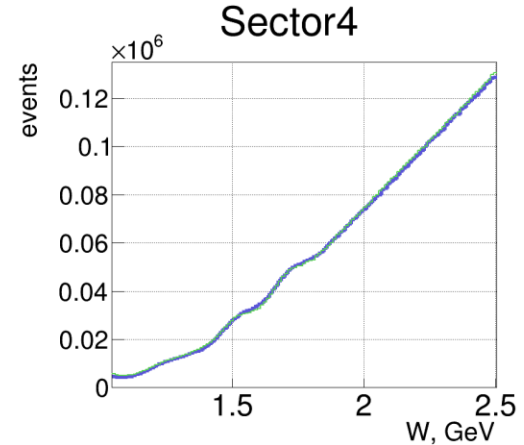
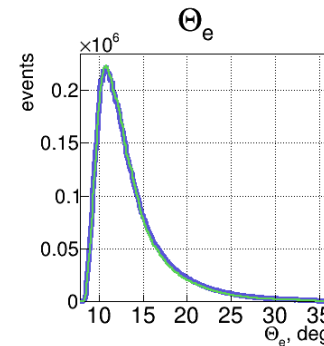
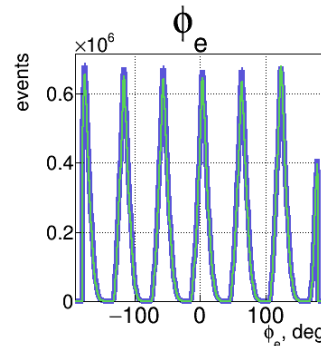
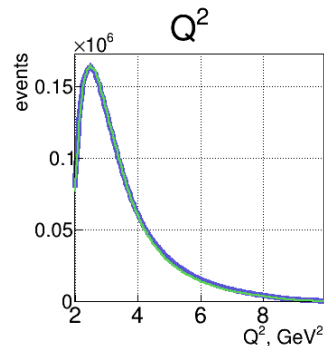
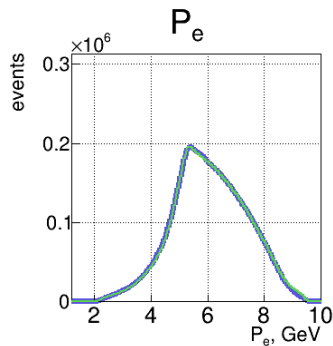
CHARGE SYMMETRIC BACKGROUND

- The positrons in outbending data should behave like the charge symmetric background electrons in inbending data
- We looked at e^+X and e^-X signals in outbending and inbending data using similar ID as we have in inbending data
- The ratio is below 0.5%



SIMULATION

- Inclusive EG: M. Sargsyan, CLAS-NOTE 90-007 (1990).
- Elastic rad + Elastic tail + Inelastic rad.
- Kinematic range:
 - Theta range 5 - 36°
 - Scattered electron momentum 1.4 – 10 GeV
 - Full Q^2 coverage.
 - Additional kinematic smearing to match the resolution of reconstructed data.



Green – Data
Blue – SIM reconstructed

ACCEPTANCE CORRECTIONS

- Measurement is distorted and transformed by various effects such as finite resolution, limited acceptance of the detector, and detection efficiency so a correction is required
- Basic method for acceptance correction is **bin-by-bin** method

$$Acceptance = \frac{\# \text{ Events Reconstructed}}{\# \text{ Events Generated}}$$

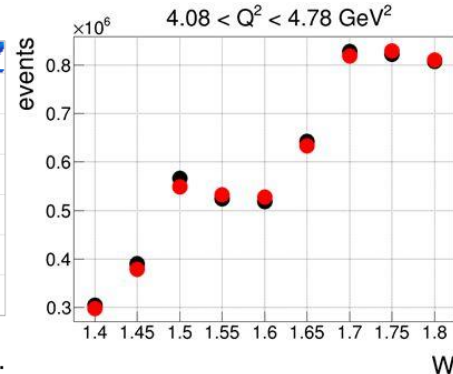
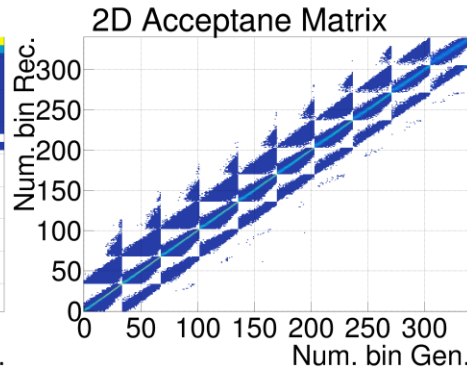
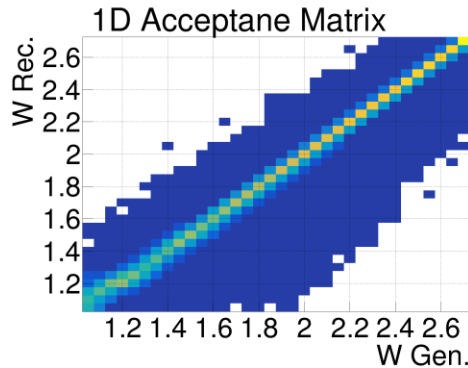
- However, it does not take into account the connection between generated and reconstructed events, so it has a potentially large bias by relying on truth MC.

MATRIX DECONVOLUTION

- Acceptance Matrix: $A_{(i,j)}$ describes both acceptance (geometrical acceptance and detector efficiency) and bin migration:

$$A_{(i,j)} = \frac{\# \text{ Events Generated in bin } j \text{ but Reconstructed in bin } i}{\text{Total number of Events Generated in the } j\text{th bin}}$$

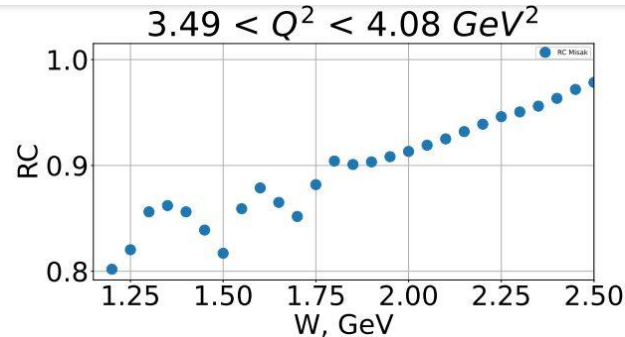
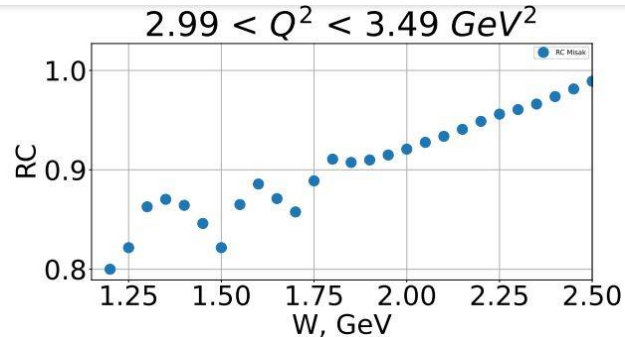
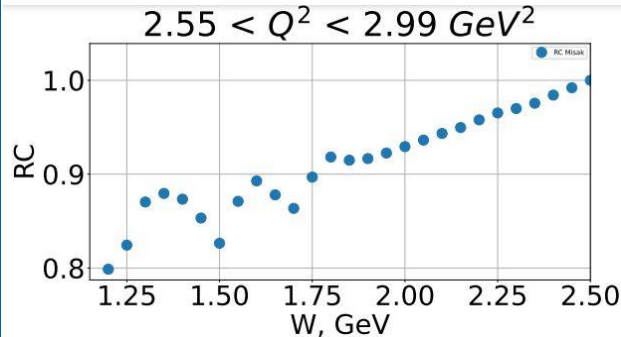
- Acceptance unfolding: $Y_i = A_{(i,j)} X_j \Rightarrow X_j = A^{-1}_{(i,j)} Y_i$ where Y_i number of measured events in i -th bin, X_j is number of acceptance corrected events in j -th bin



CERN RooUnfold package was used: <https://gitlab.cern.ch/RooUnfold/RooUnfold>

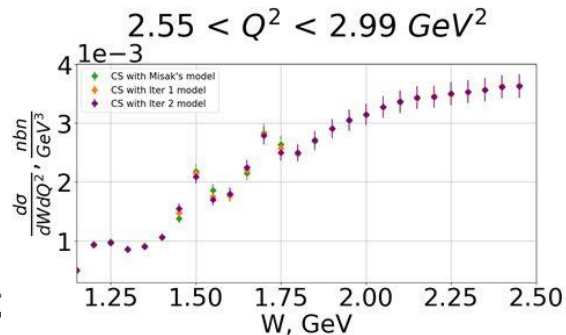
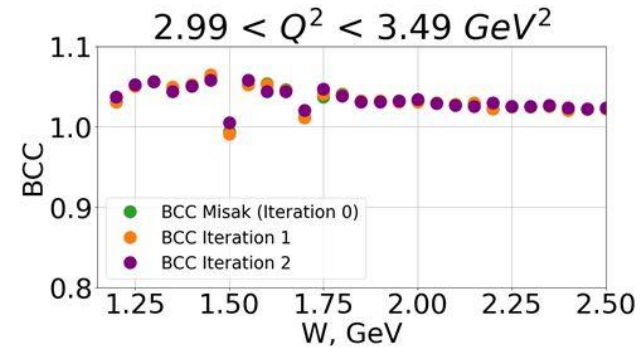
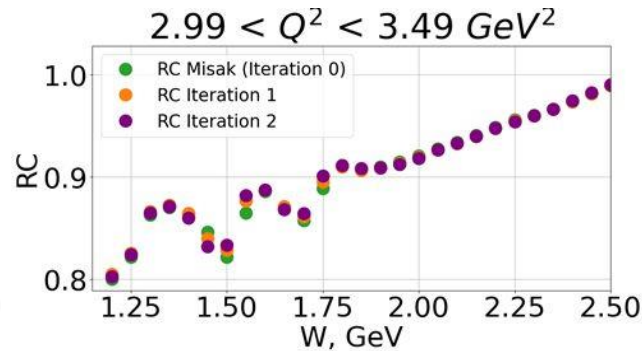
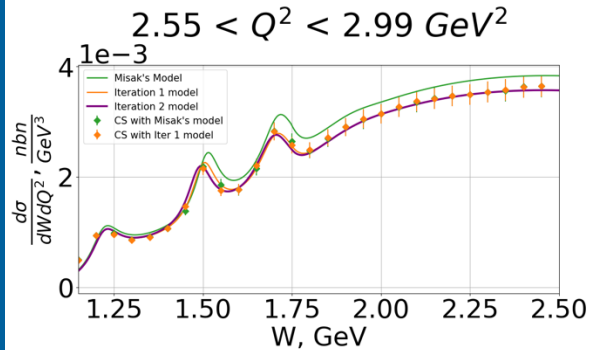
RADIATIVE CORRECTIONS

- Each (Q^2, W) bin was divided into 21×11 sub bins
- Cross Sections with rad. effects on and off were calculated in every sub bin
- Radiative Correction factor: $\frac{\text{Mean Cross Section (Rad)}}{\text{Mean Cross Section (No Rad)}}$



INCLUSIVE CROSS SECTIONS VIA CONVERGED ITERATIONS

- The preliminary inclusive cross section can be used as a base for new event generator and as a new model for RC and BC estimation.



Cross Section with three models:

Green – Cross Sections with initial model

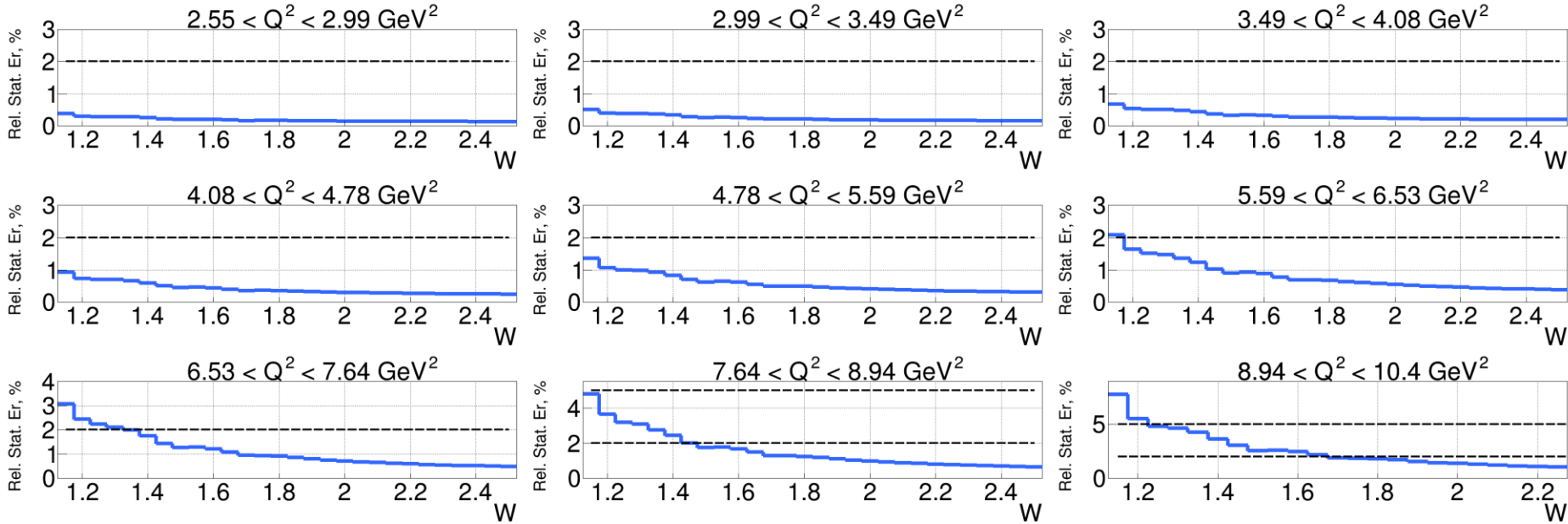
Orange - Cross Sections with iteration 1 model

Purple - Cross Sections with iteration 2 model

There is small peak shift. Peaks become narrower with iterations number.

STATISTICAL UNCERTAINTY

- 1% on average



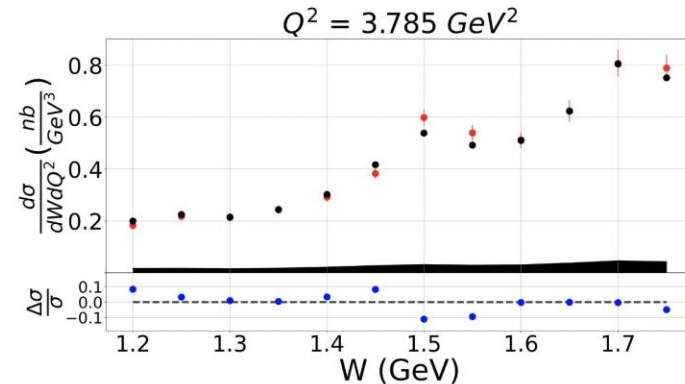
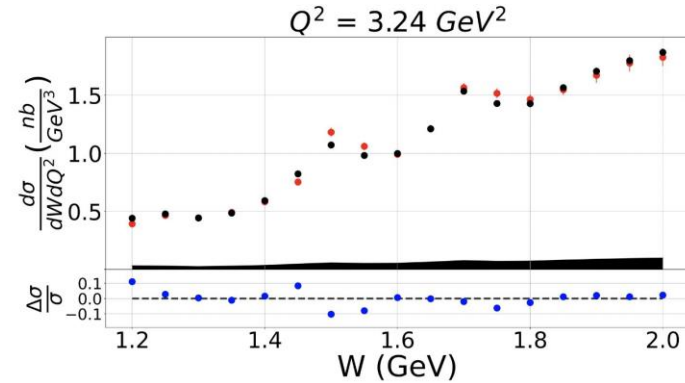
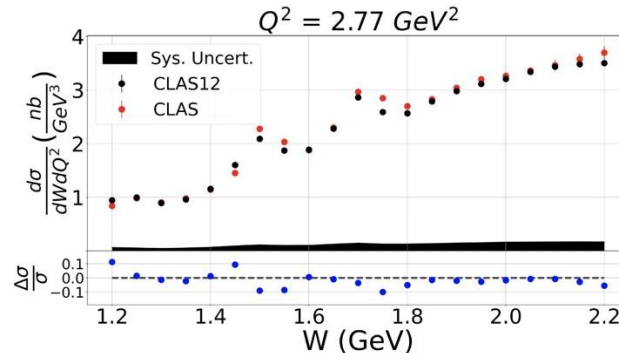
SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES

- 7% on average

Average Systematic Uncertainty	
Bin-by-Bin Sources	Uncertainty [%]
Sampling fraction cut	0.02
Pion contamination	0.1
PCAL fiducial cut	0.12
Momentum smearing	0.28
Bin-centering corrections	0.32
Empty target subtraction	0.33
Radiative corrections	0.36
Momentum corrections	0.46
Charge symmetric background	0.5
Deconvolution method	0.55
Vertex-z cut	0.57
DC fiducial cut	0.72
Electron pion separation cut	0.79
Torus field map	3.0
Sector dependence	4.41
Total Bin-by-Bin	5.8
Scale Type Sources	Uncertainty [%]
Beam charge uncertainty	1.2
Target thickness uncertainty	1.8
Background merging	3.0
Total Scale	3.7
Total Bin-by-Bin and Scale	6.9

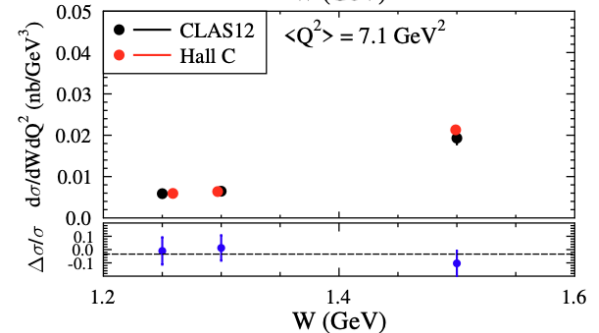
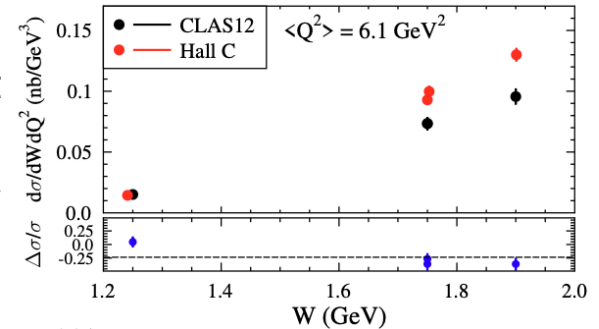
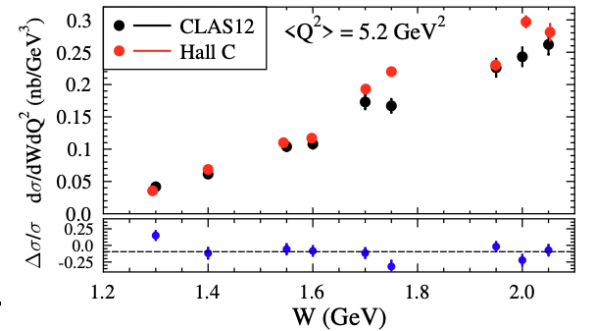
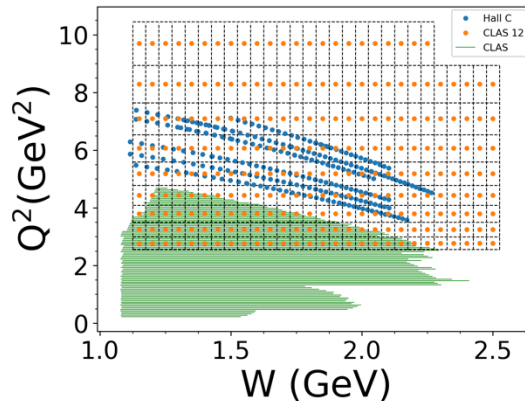
CLAS12 VS CLAS

- CLAS12 measurements
- CLAS data (after interpolation into the grid of our experiment), Phys. Rev. D67, 092001 (2003)
- The bottom plots associated with each Q^2 plot show the relative cross section difference, $(\text{CLAS12}-\text{CLAS})/\text{CLAS12}$, between the two measurements. The dashed horizontal line on each plot is at zero relative difference.



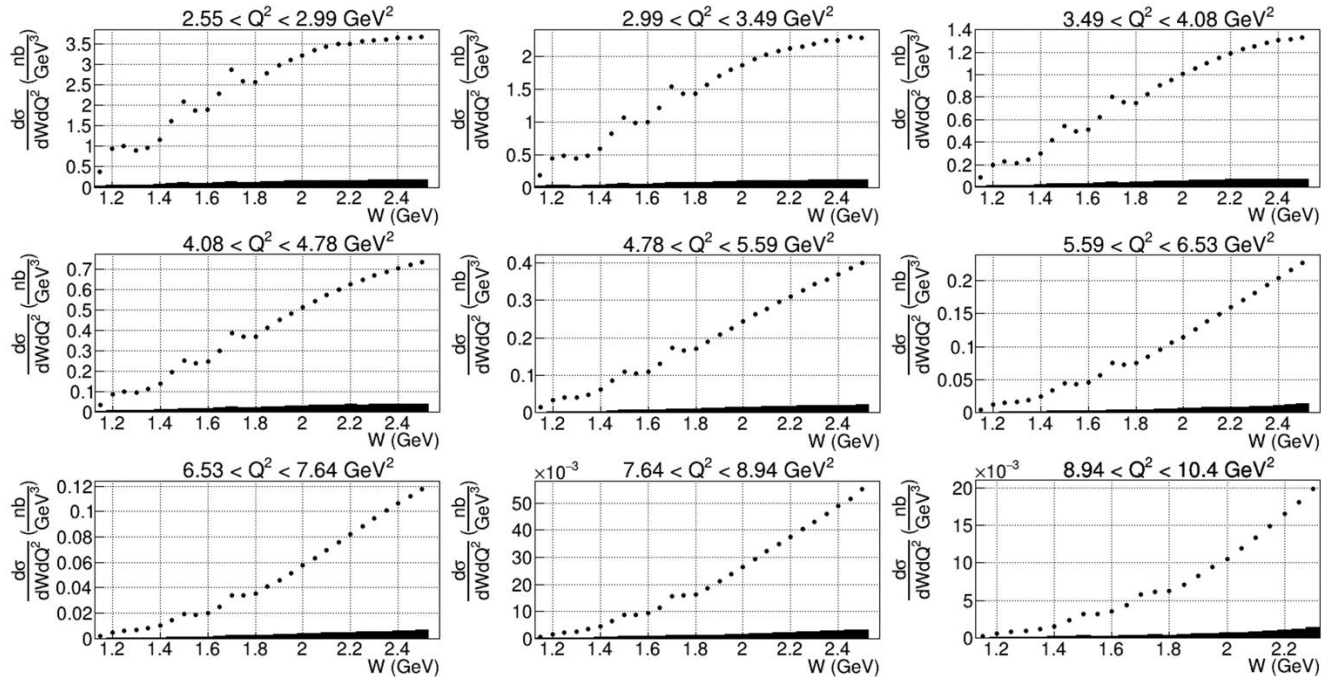
CLAS12 VS HALL C

- Because of the small acceptance of the Hall C spectrometer, inclusive cross sections are only available within bins for highly correlated values of W and Q^2
- In total there are 16 data points for which a direct comparison between the two datasets can be made.
- The average relative difference in the CLAS12 and Hall C datasets is about 10 %



RESULTS

- The systematic uncertainty is shown by the filled area at the bottom of each plot



CONCLUSIONS

- The first results on inclusive electron scattering cross sections from CLAS12 are available from CLAS12 in the kinematic range of $1.15 < W < 2.5$ GeV and $2.55 < Q^2 < 10.4$ GeV². Our new measurements show reasonable agreements with world data in overlapping Q^2 regions.
- Evaluation of the resonant contributions from exclusive meson electroproduction data will pave the way to extend knowledge on the nucleon PDF at large x in the resonance region.
- The $(e,e'X)$ data from CLAS12 offer an opportunity to explore the evolution of the inclusive structure function F_2 within the range of distances where the transition from strongly coupled to pQCD regimes is anticipated.



BACK UP



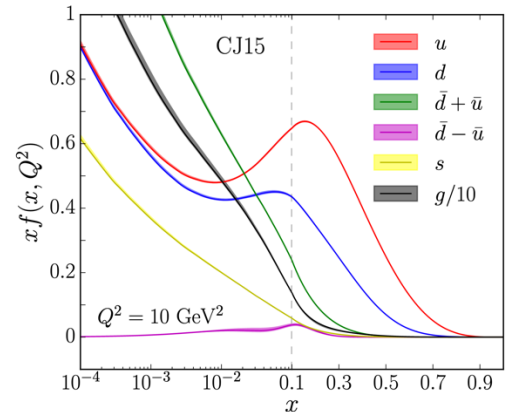
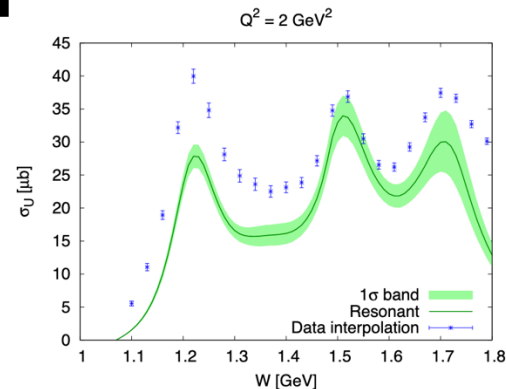
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EXTENDING KNOWLEDGE OF THE NUCLEON PDF IN THE RESONANCE REGION

- Global QCD analyses have provided detailed information on the nucleon PDFs in a wide range of parton fractional longitudinal momentum, x , from 10^{-4} to 0.9
- At large x , in the nucleon resonance region $W < 2.5$ GeV, the PDFs are significantly less explored.
- Extractions in this region require accounting for higher twist effects, target-mass corrections and evaluation from the nucleon resonance electroexcitations

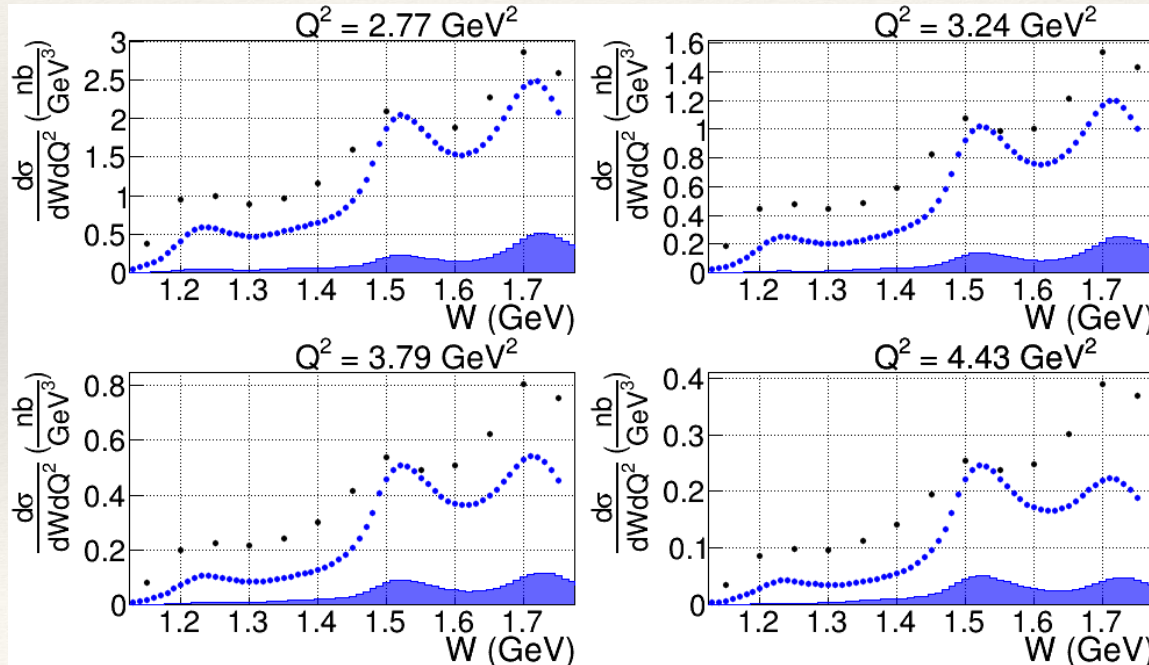


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Resonant Contributions

- The blue points represent the computed resonant contributions from the experimental results on the resonance electrocouplings from the studies of πN , ηN , $\pi^+\pi^-p$ electroproduction off protons with CLAS. The shadow areas at the bottom of each plot show the systematic uncertainties for the evaluation of the resonant contributions
- The resonant amplitudes were computed within the Breit-Wigner ansatz with the $\gamma_p N$ electrocouplings available from the studies of meson electroproduction data in the resonance region.

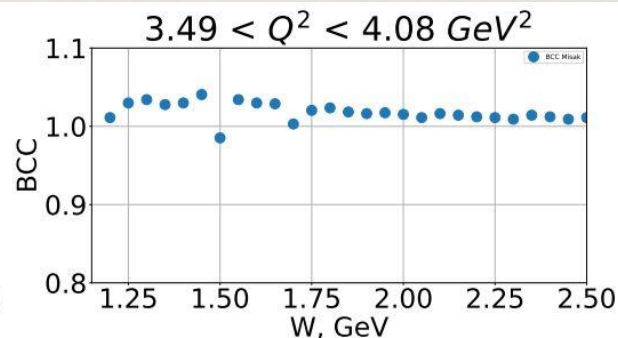
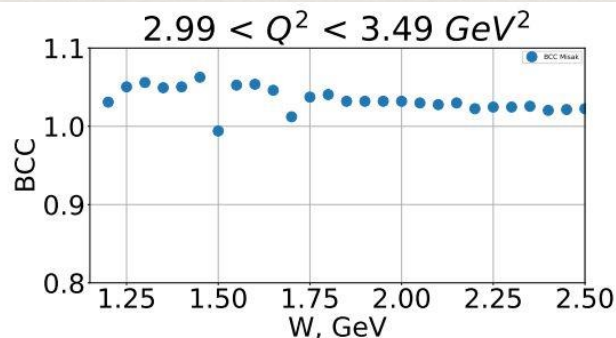
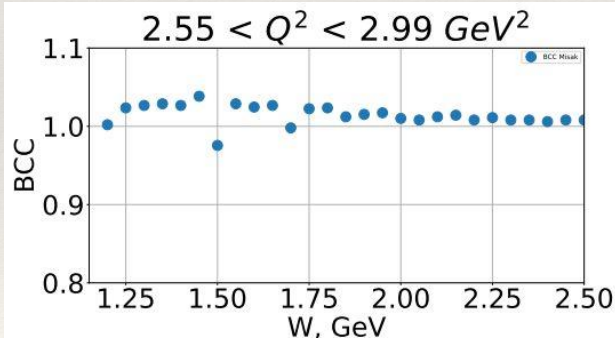


Bin Size Corrections

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Each (Q^2, W) bin was divided into (the same) 21x11 sub bins.

$$B = \frac{\text{Cross Section (No Rad) in the central point}}{\text{Mean Cross Section (No Rad)}}$$

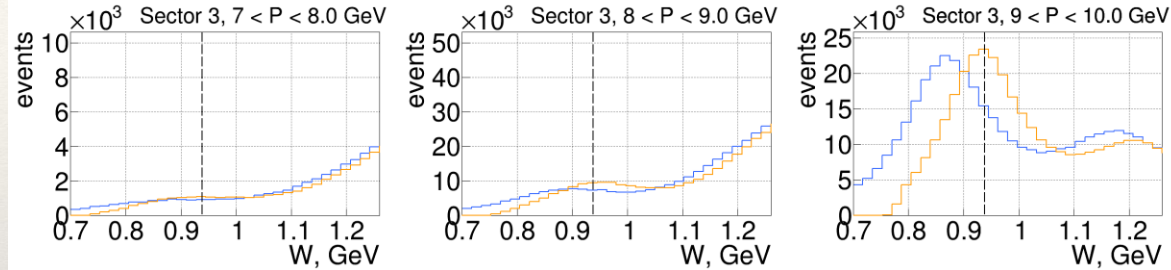


Momentum Corrections

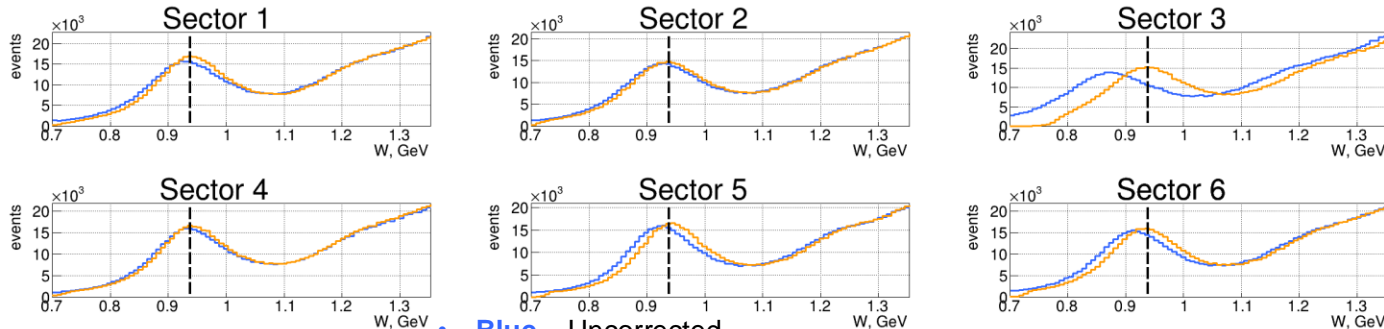
- Momentum correction obtained from Momentum Correction Task Force

- Elastic peak is only clearly visible in the highest momentum bin (lowest Q^2)

W spectrum in momentum before and after corrections

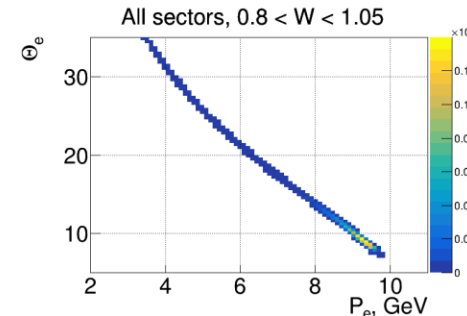


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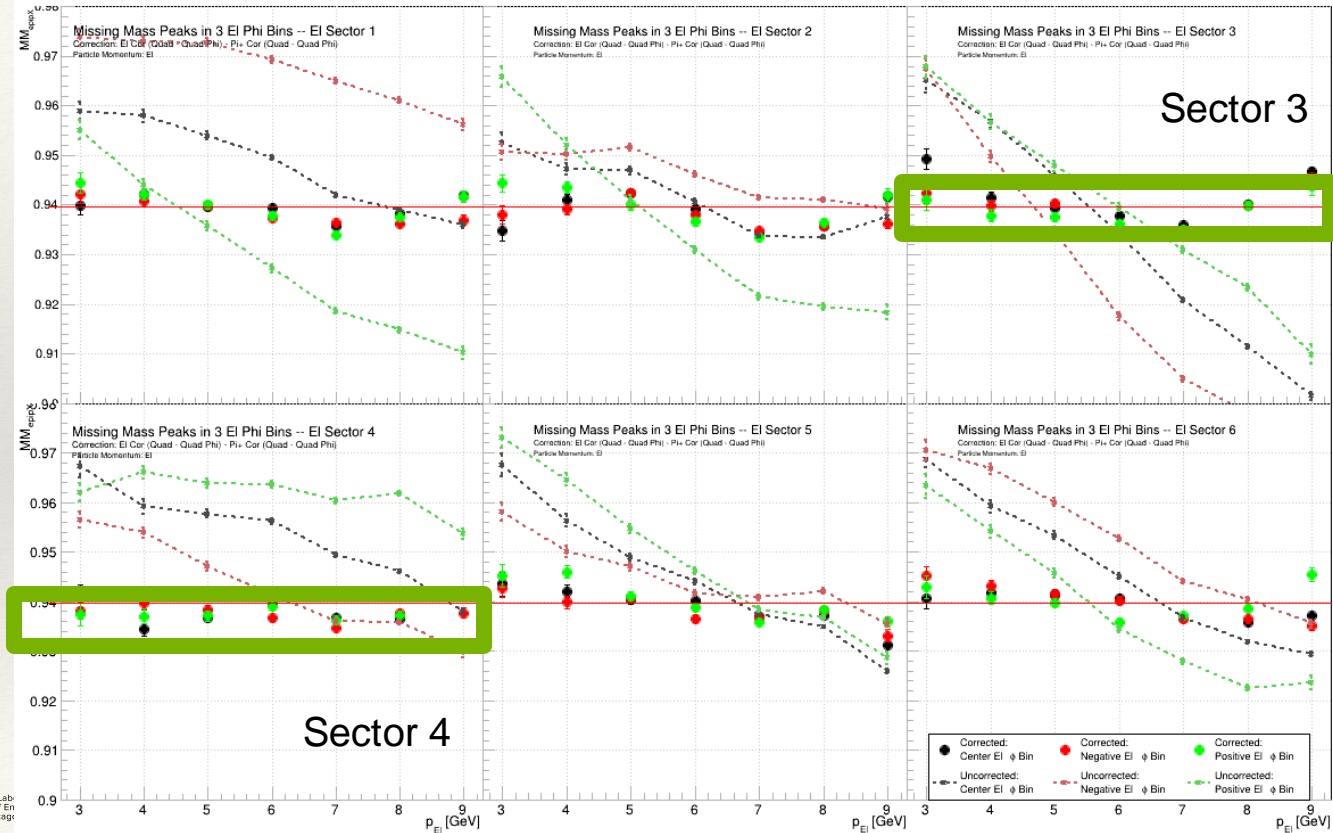
- Blue – Uncorrected
- Orange – Corrected

Kinematic coverage

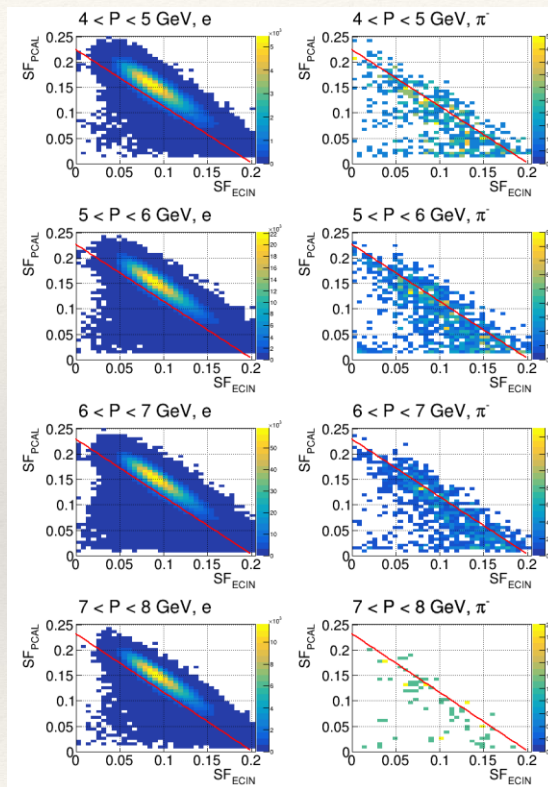


Momentum Corrections

MM($e\pi^+X$) neutron peak position as a function of P_e for all sectors

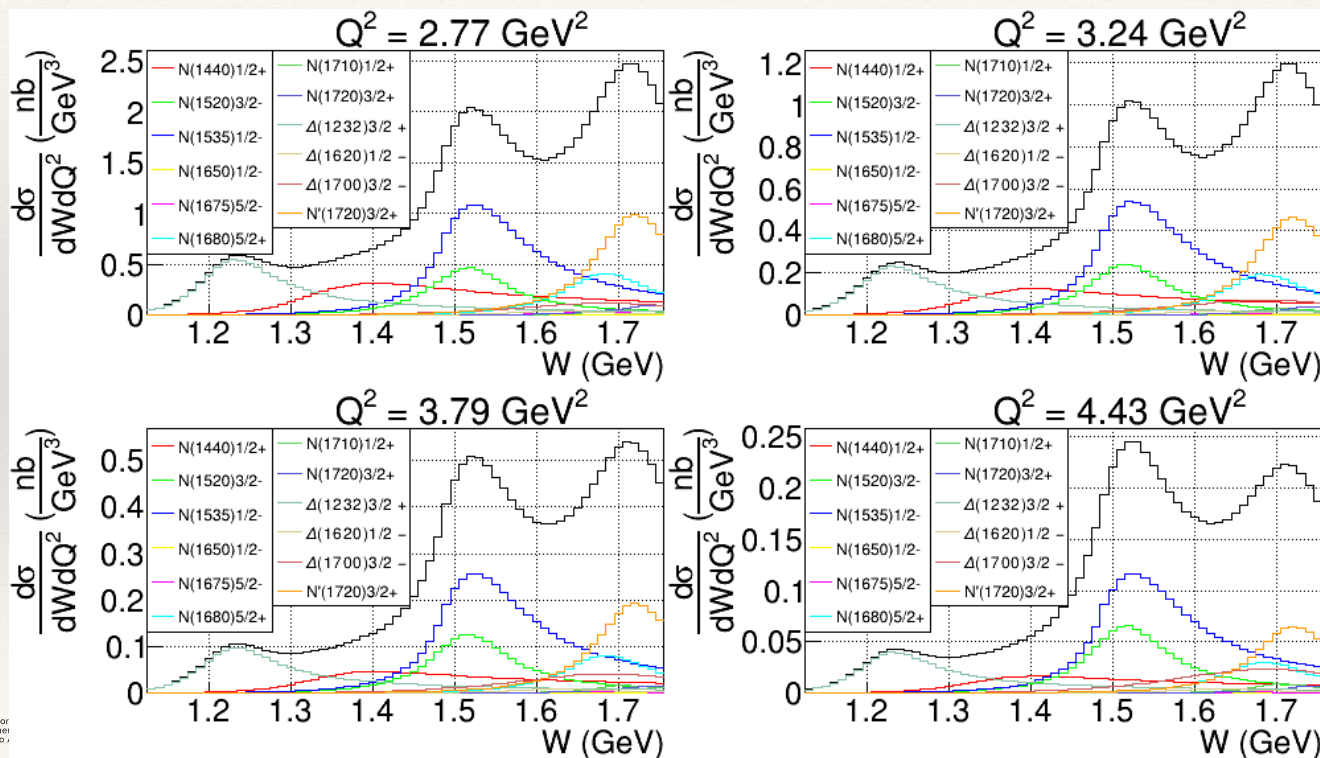


Pion Contamination



Decomposition of the Resonant Contributions

- Each of the three resonance region maxima seen in our data arise from several excited states of the nucleon





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