

Study of the Initial and Final State Effects through Polarization Observables

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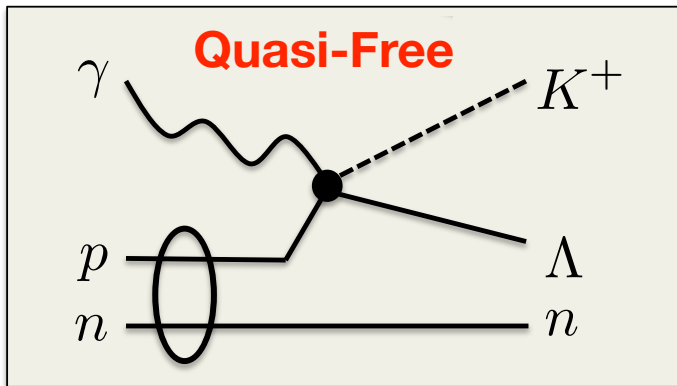
Outline

$$\vec{\gamma}d \rightarrow K^+ \vec{\Lambda}(n)$$

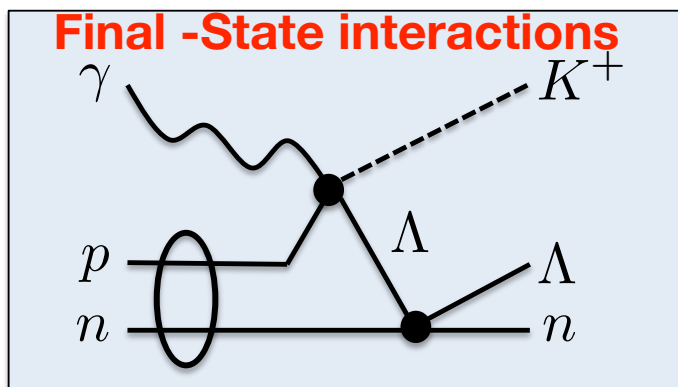
- Initial and final state effects in Exclusive reactions
- Jefferson Lab and the CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer
- Results on polarization observables

Exclusive Reactions

$$\vec{\gamma}d \rightarrow K^+ \vec{\Lambda}(n)$$



- Neutron targets \rightarrow Important information for the search of missing resonances
- Information inferred from bound neutron targets



- Final State Interaction \rightarrow Important information for the Hyperon nucleon interaction

Polarization observables allows us to reduce model dependence on the interpretation of QF and FSI results

Motivation

- Final State Effects:

Study Hyperon-Nucleon Interaction

The understanding of both *nucleon-nucleon* (NN) and *hyperon-nucleon* (YN) potentials is necessary in order to have a comprehensive picture of the strong interaction

- Understand the composition of neutron stars
- Understand hyper-nuclear structure and hyperon matter
- Extend NN to a more unified picture of the baryon-baryon interaction

HOW?

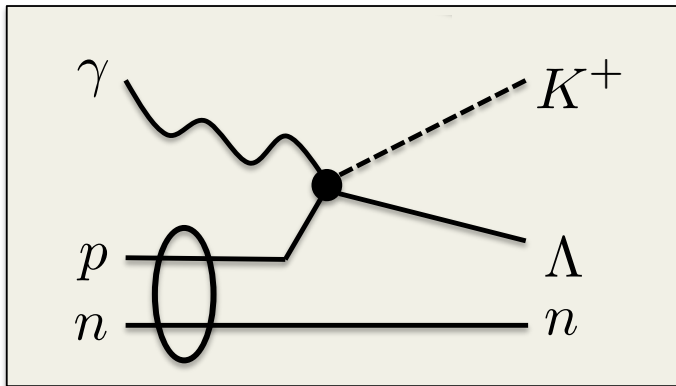
- Elastic YN Scattering

poor database

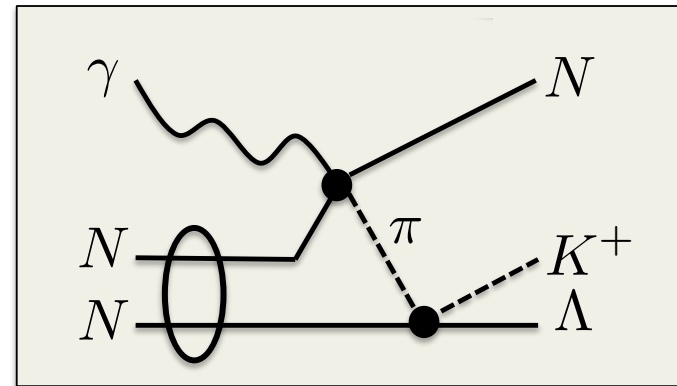
- **Final State Interactions (FSI) in Hyperon Production**

QF and FSI in Exclusive Λ Photoproduction off the deuteron

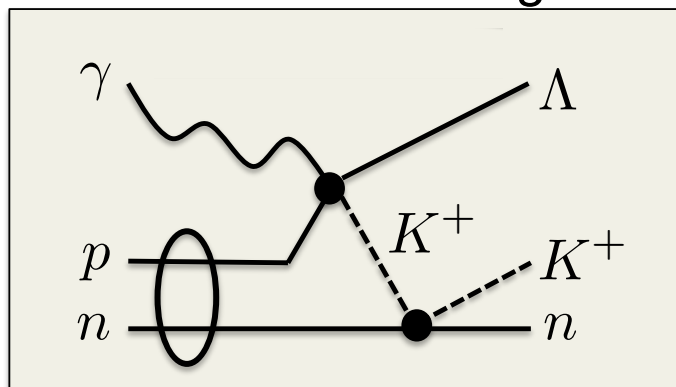
Quasi-free



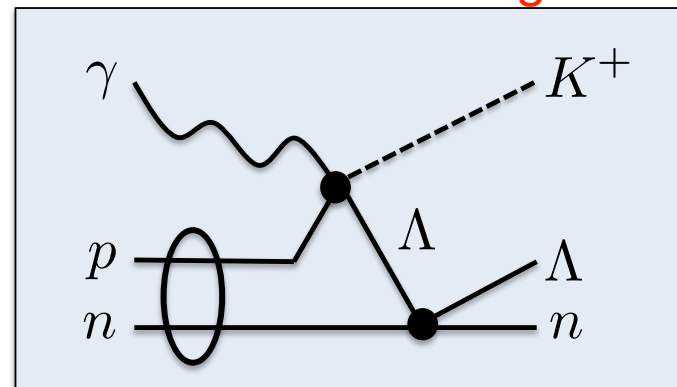
π -mediated



K^+n rescattering



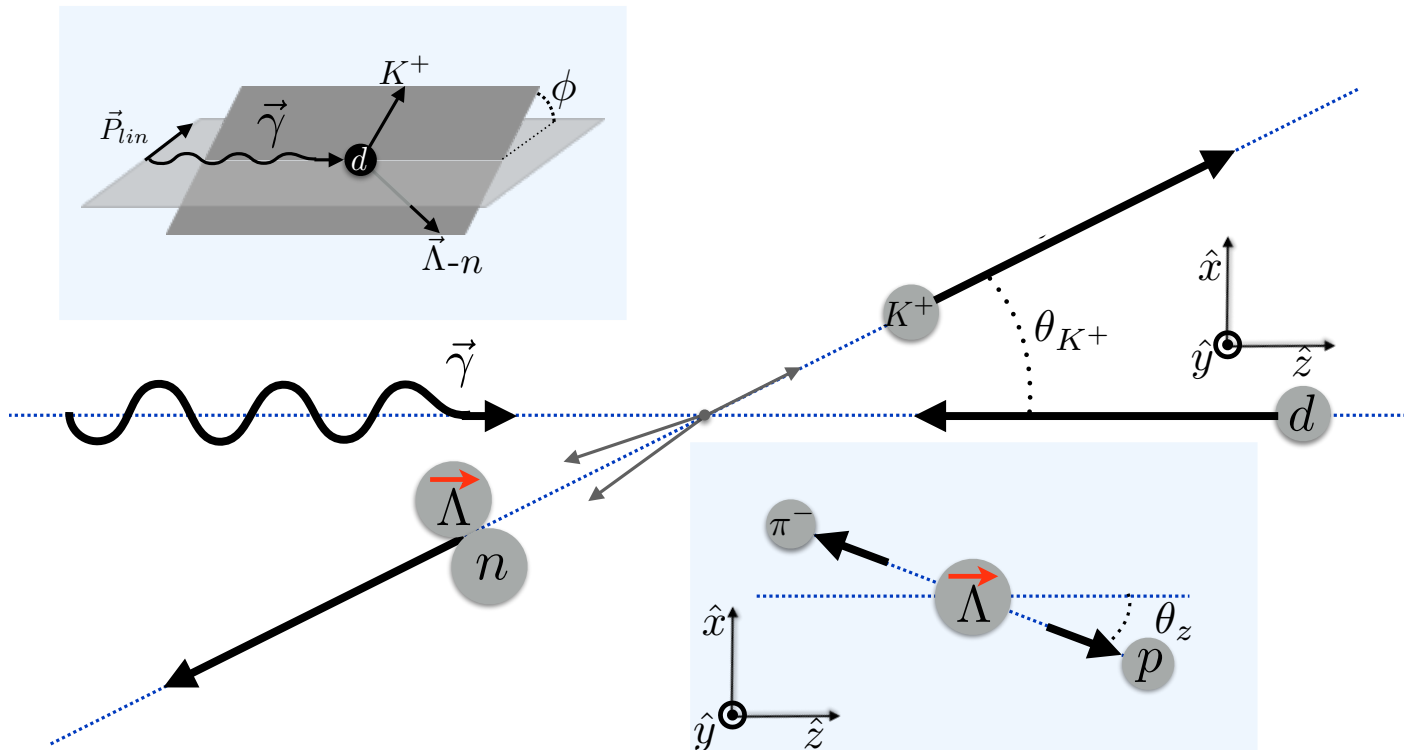
Λn rescattering



The QF events can be significantly reduced or enhanced experimentally, through kinematic constraints

Experimentally Accessible Observables

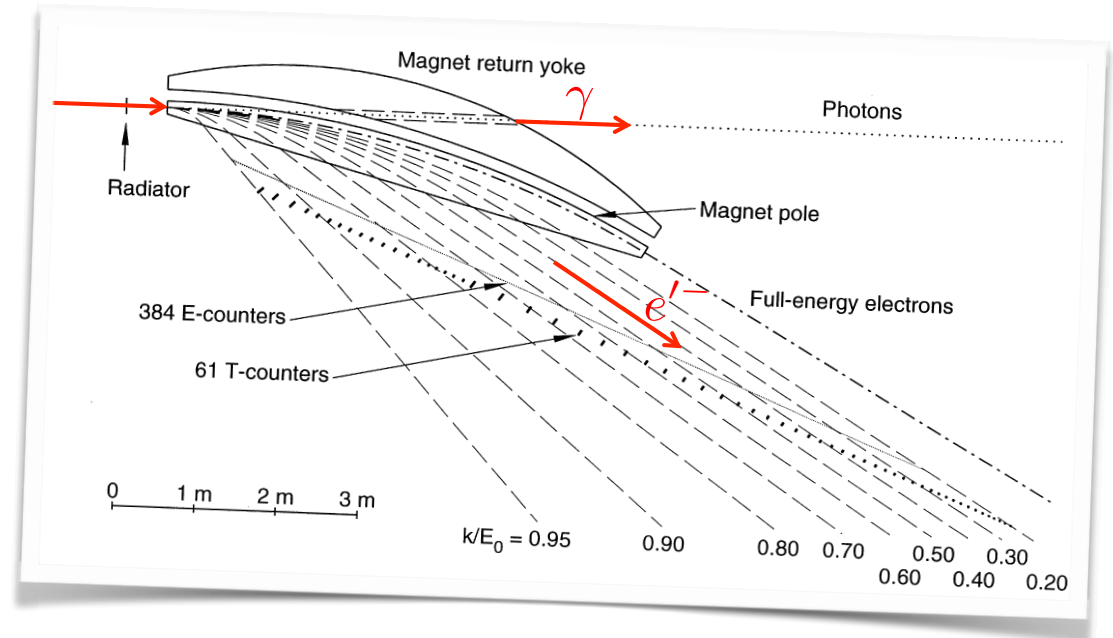
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \sigma_0 \left\{ 1 - P_{lin} \Sigma \cos 2\phi + \alpha \cos \theta_x (-P_{lin} O_x \sin 2\phi - P_{circ} C_x) \right. \\ \left. - \alpha \cos \theta_y (-P_y + P_{lin} T \cos 2\phi) - \alpha \cos \theta_z (P_{lin} O_z \sin 2\phi + P_{circ} C_z) \right\}$$



Beam Polarization
 linearly polarized γ beam
 circularly polarized γ beam

Λ Recoil Polarization
 self-analyzing power
 $\alpha = 0.642$

Jefferson Lab and Hall B



Angular Coverage

$$8^\circ < \theta < 140^\circ$$

$$\phi \sim 1.7\pi$$

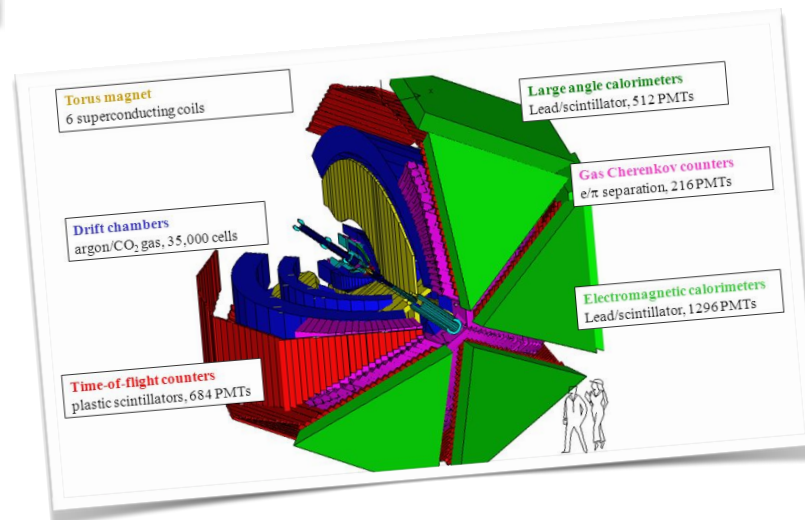
Angular Resolution

$$\sigma_\theta \sim 1 \text{ mrad}$$

$$\sigma_\phi \sim 4 \text{ mrad}$$

Momentum Resolution

$$\sigma_p/p \sim 1\%$$



Efficient detection of charged particles over a large fraction of the full solid angle.

E06-103 Experiment

- Liquid Deuterium Target (40 cm long)
- Tagged photon beam (**linearly** and **circularly** polarized)
- Collected data over a large fraction of the full solid angle using CLAS (2007)



- **Current 10 nA**
- **Eight e-beam energies between 3.30 and 5.16 GeV**
- **~2 mm collimator**
- **Two orientations of linear polarization (*Para & Perp*)**
- **Data obtained at photon energies between 1.1 and 2.3 GeV**
- **~30 billion events collected**

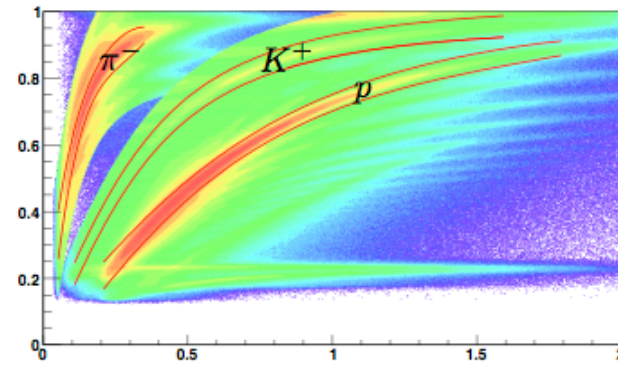
- **Current 40 nA**
- **Two e-beam energies (1.99 and 2.66 GeV)**
- **Two orientation of circular polarization (*+/- helicities*)**
- **Data obtained at photon energies between 0.4 and 2.6 GeV**
- **~20 billion events collected**
 $\bar{P}_e = 80\% \rightarrow \bar{P}_{circ} = 32\% - 80\%$

Analysis

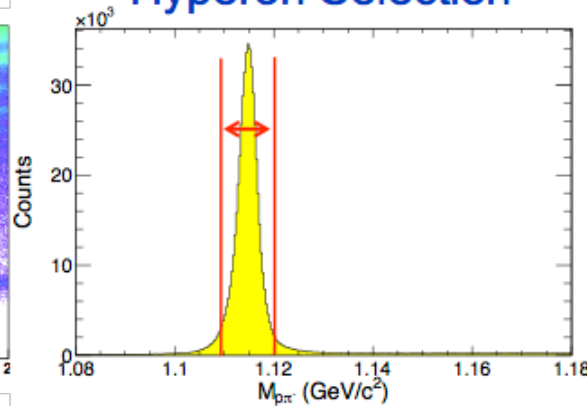
Analysis of $\vec{\gamma}d \rightarrow K^+ \vec{\Lambda}(n)$

$\rightarrow p\pi^-$
(Branching ratio 63.9%)

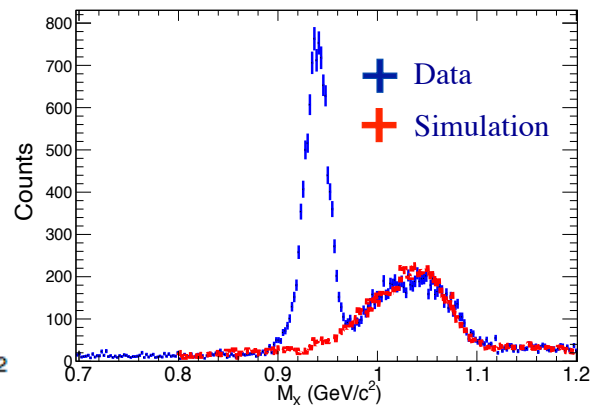
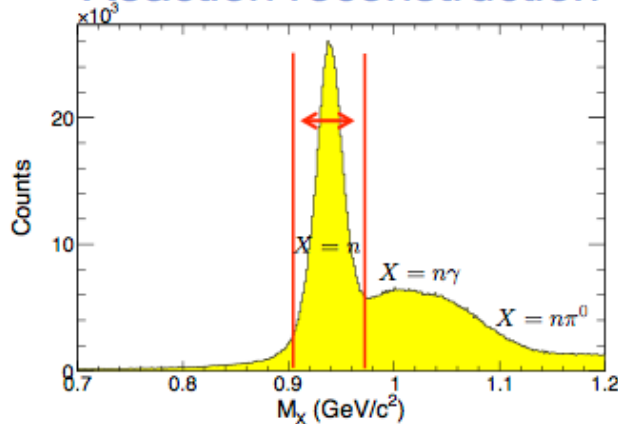
Particle Identification



Hyperon Selection

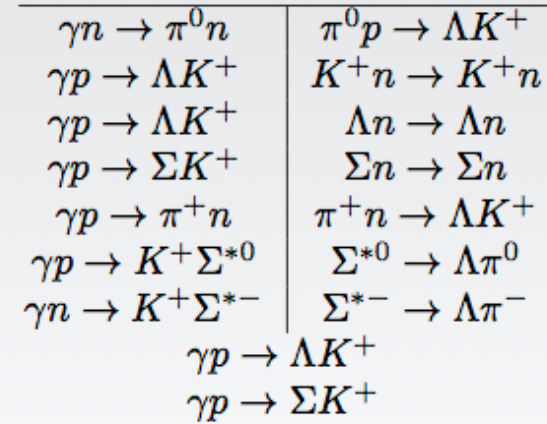


Reaction reconstruction



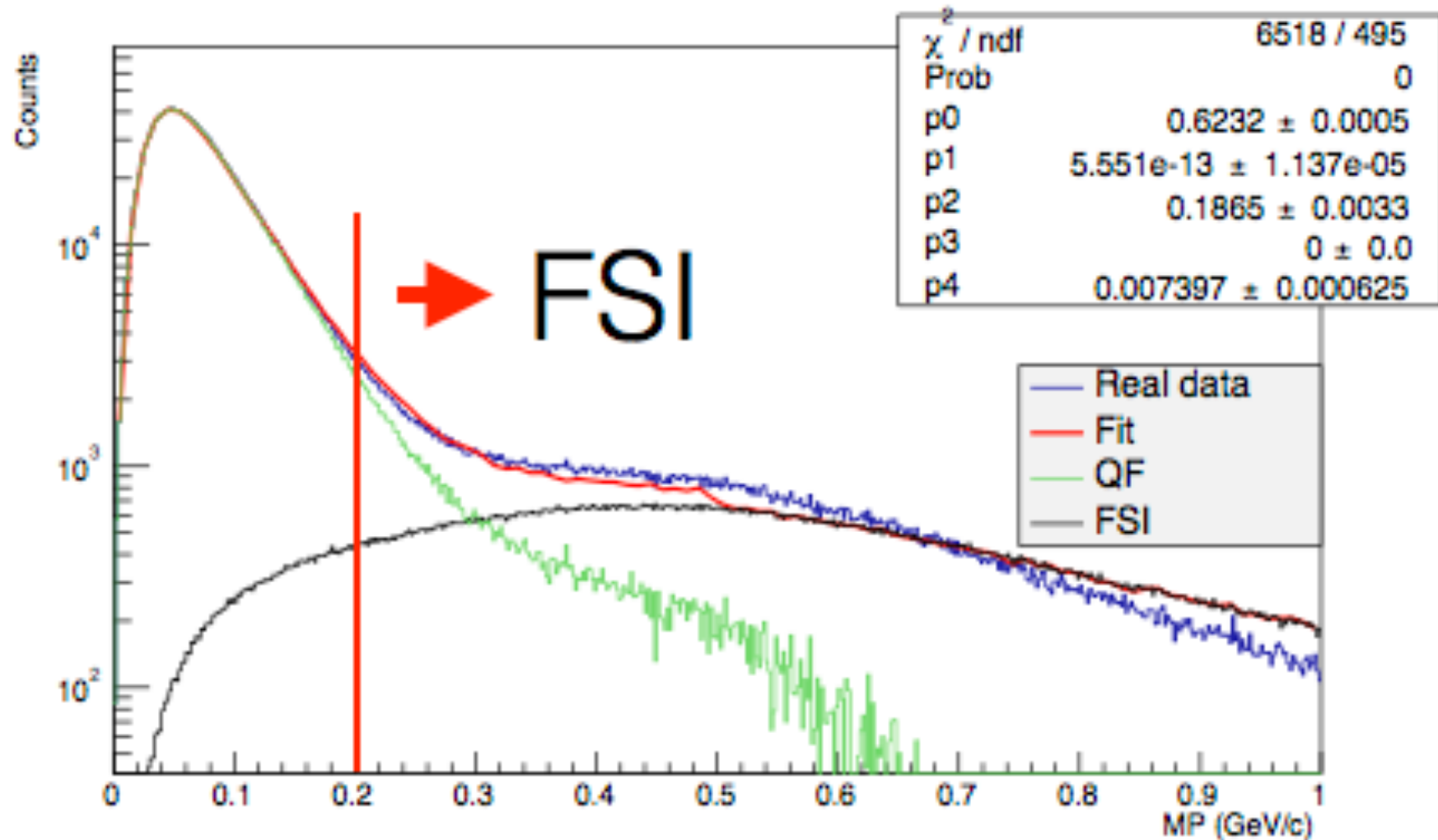
$$\gamma d \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda X$$

Generated Background Reactions



Exclusivity of the Reaction

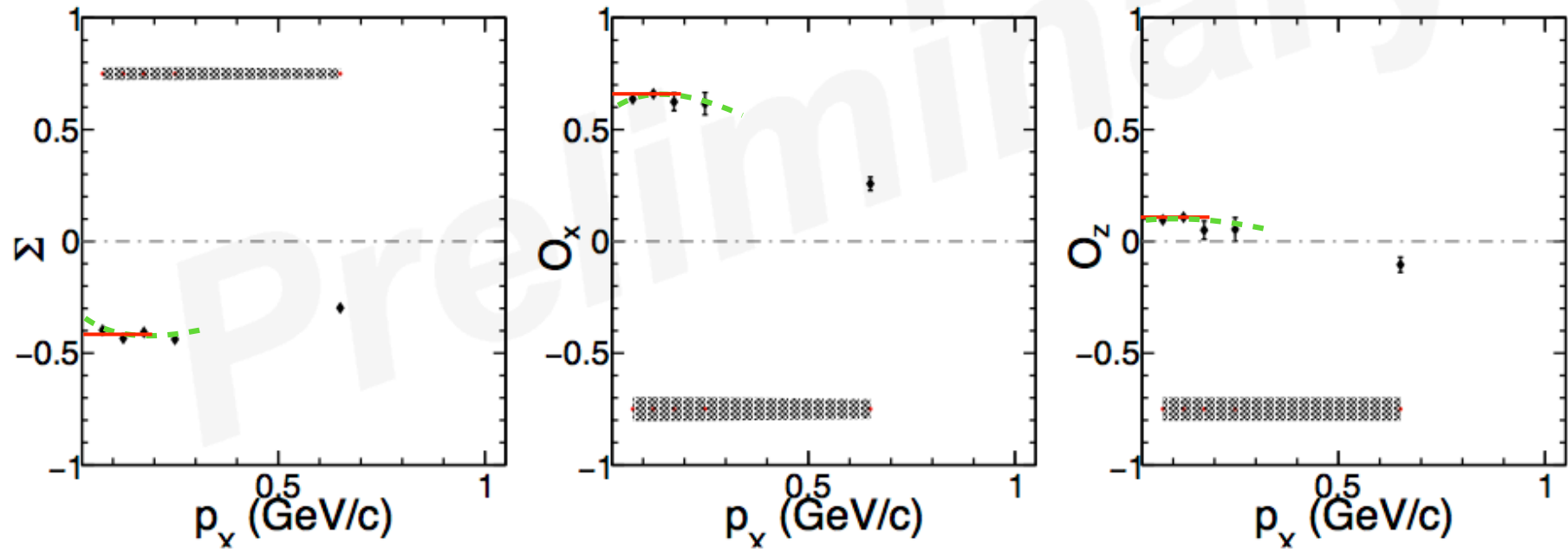
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Initial State Effects

Analysis of $\vec{\gamma}d \rightarrow K^+ \vec{\Lambda}(n)$

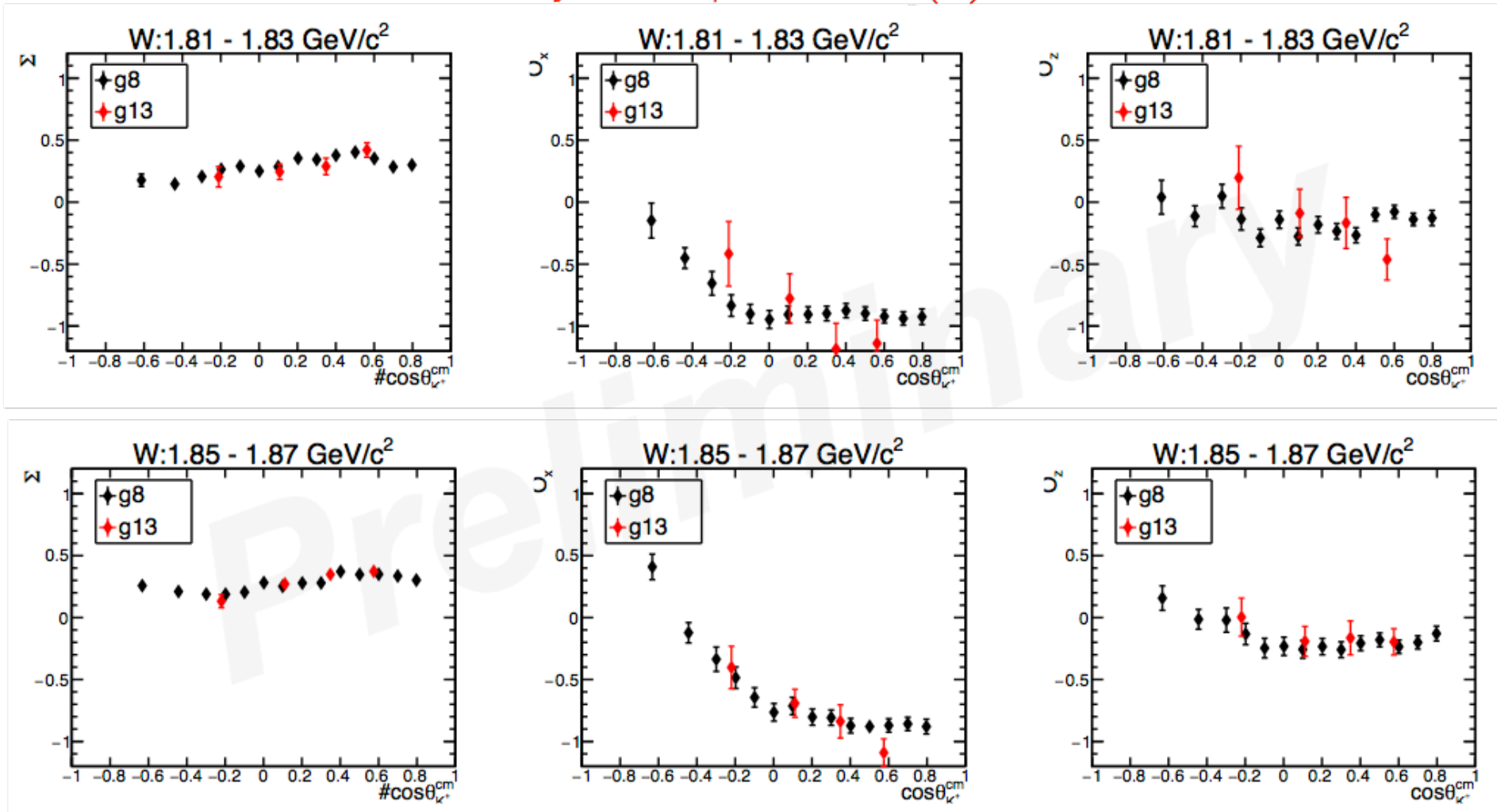
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Initial State Effects

Free Proton target
Bound Proton Target

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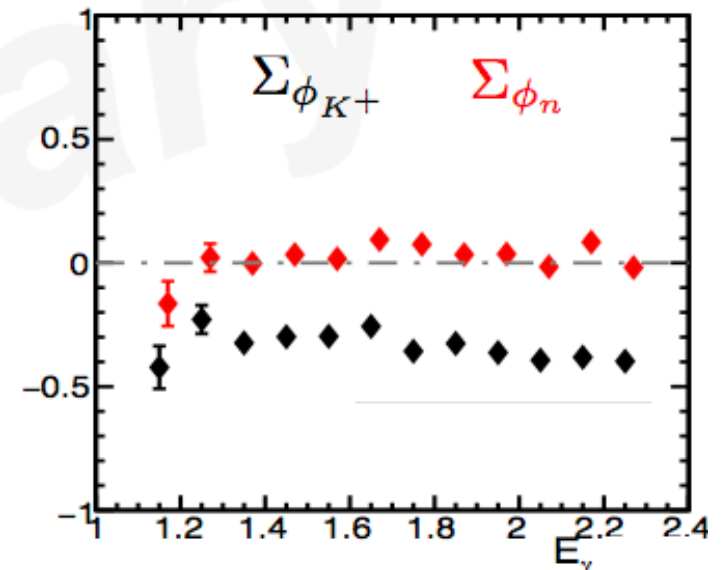
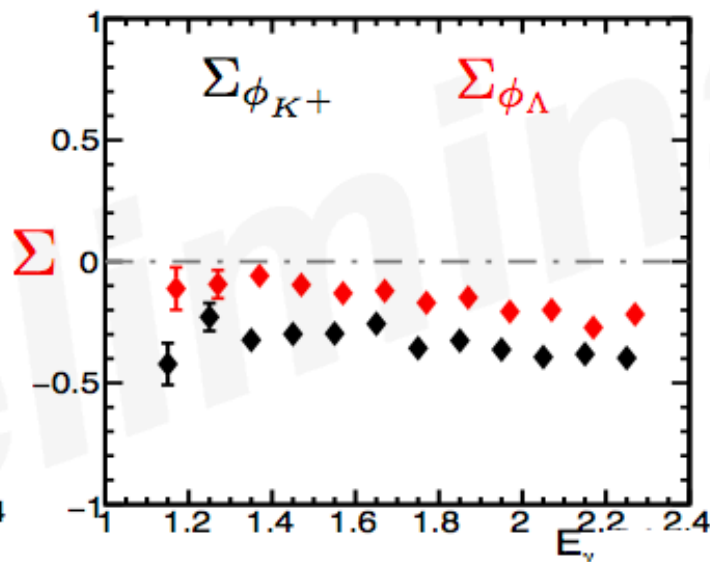
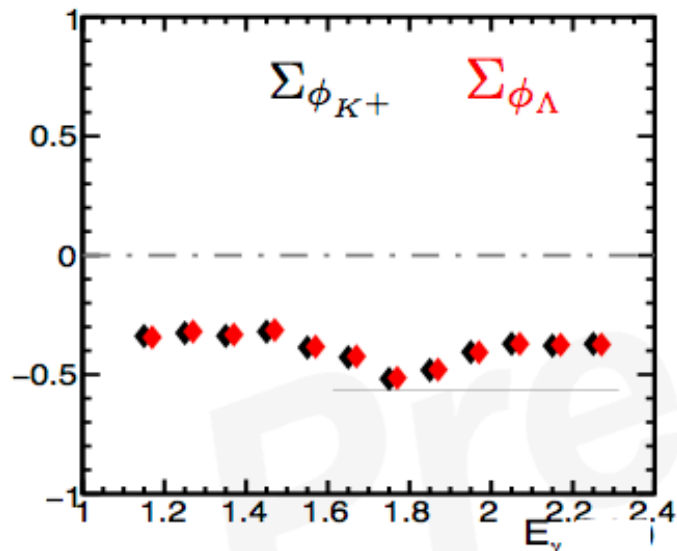


Final State Interactions

Study of the YN Interaction

QuasiFree data

FSI data

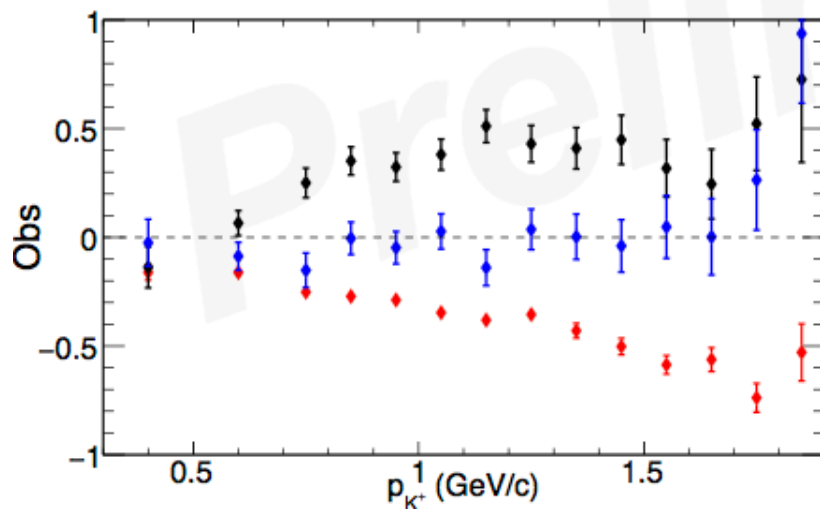
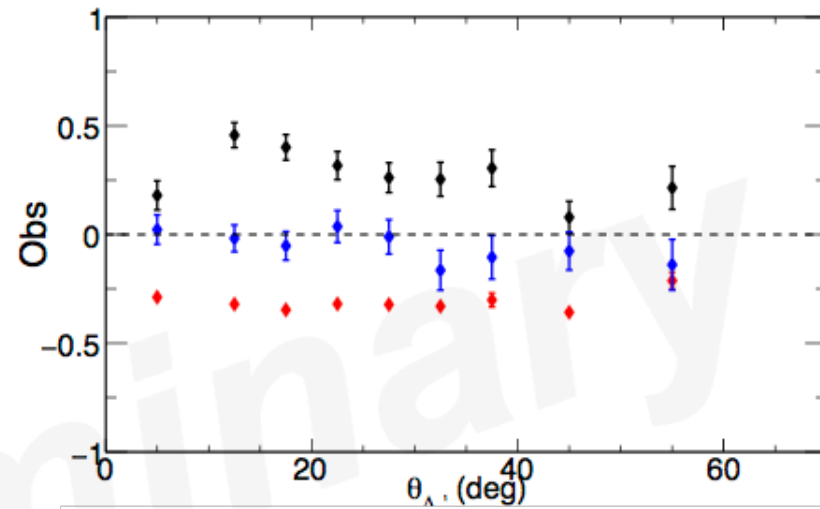
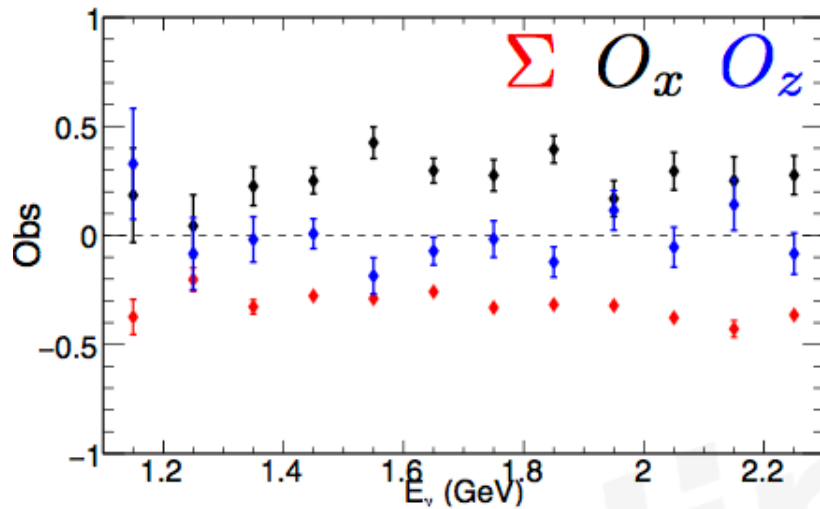


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Final State Interactions

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FSI Results



Summary and Outlook

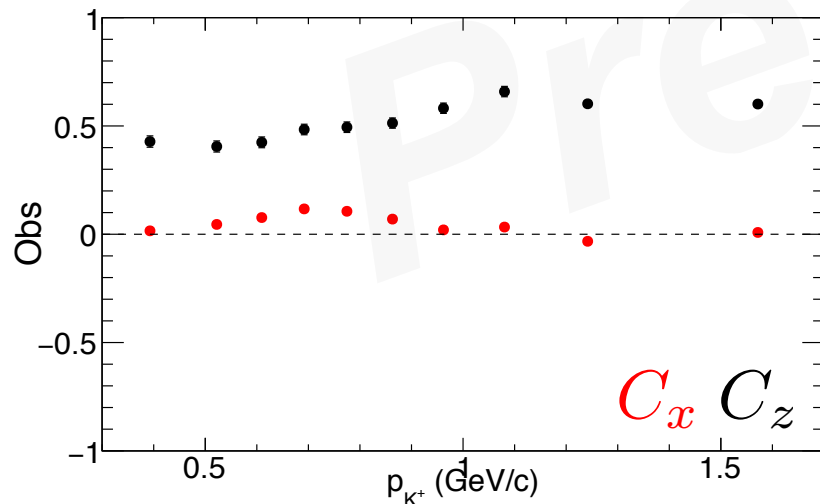
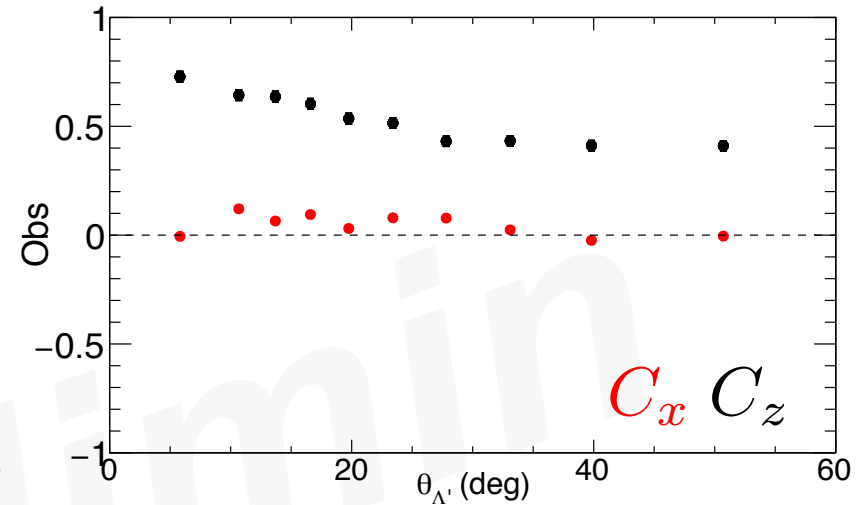
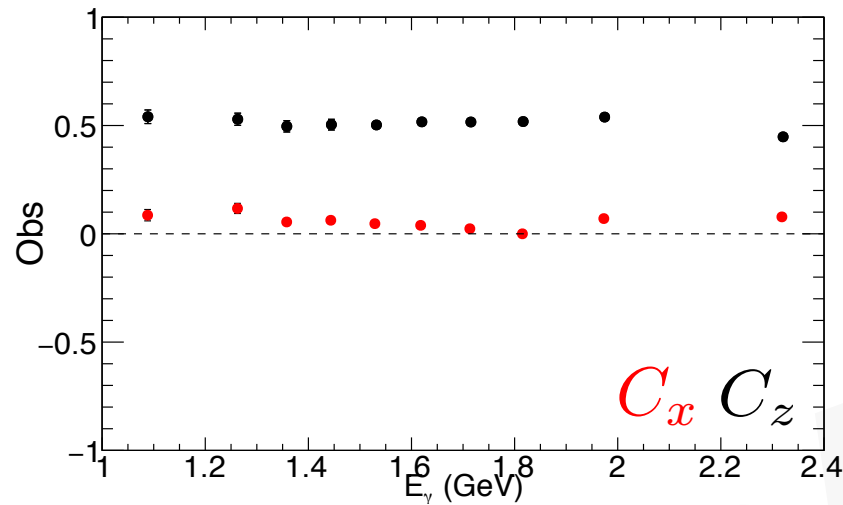
- Determination of observables in high-statistic exclusive reactions of bound nucleons allows us to obtain more accurate estimates for scattering off free nucleons by studying the evolution of the observable with the momentum of the spectator nucleon.
- Polarization observables play a crucial role in identifying the kinematics for specific mechanisms of interest in Final State Interactions; allowing us to study/access reaction processes that are otherwise difficult to perform experimentally.

Thank you

Final State Interactions

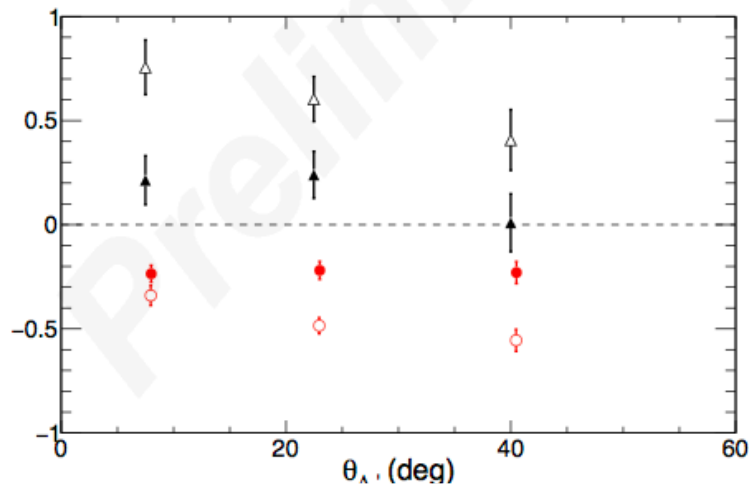
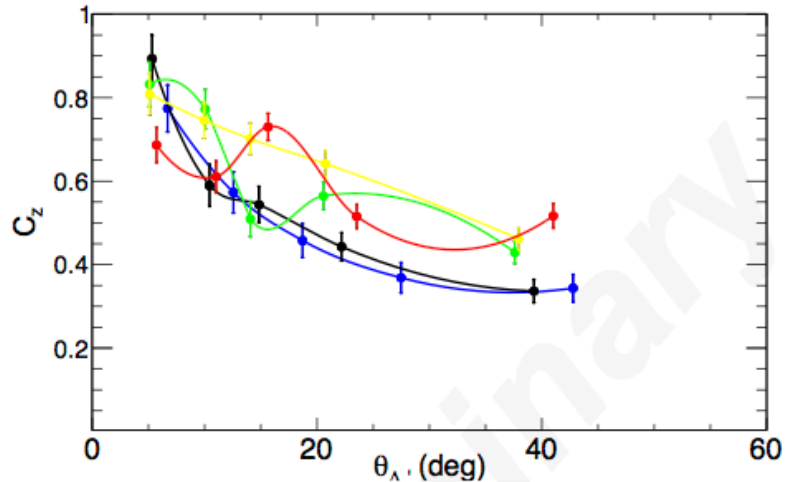
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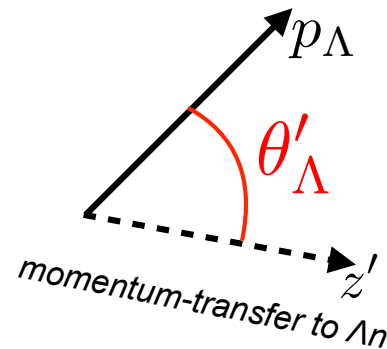
- Adequate statistics for extracting observables 2-fold and 3-fold differential
- Goal is to better tune the free parameters of YN potentials
- Work with theorists to interpret the data

Theoretical Studies

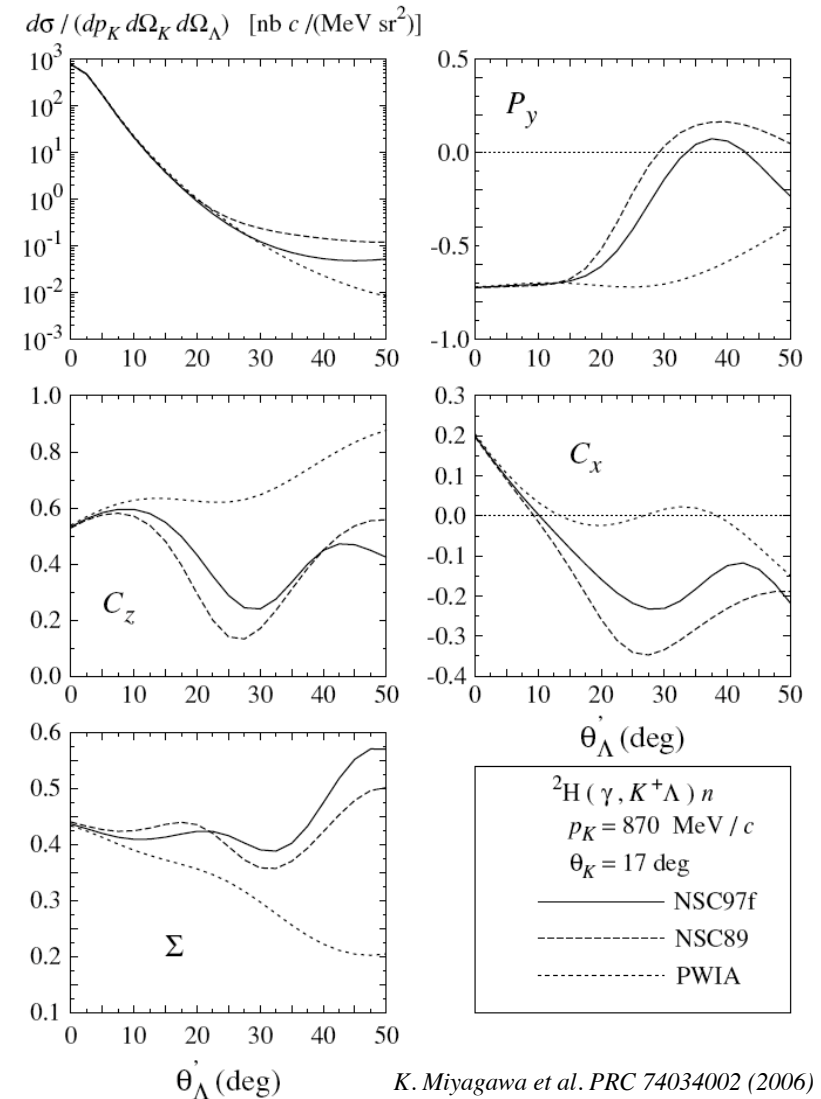
- Existing YN models allow the calculation of single and double polarization observables
- Two YN potentials (NSC97F and NSC89) give the correct hypertriton binding energy
- NSC97F and NSC89 lead to very different predictions of polarization observables at some kinematics

$$\hat{z}' = \frac{\vec{p}_\gamma - \vec{p}_{K^+}}{|\vec{p}_\gamma - \vec{p}_{K^+}|}$$

$$\hat{y}' = \frac{\hat{z}' \times \vec{p}_{K^+}}{|\hat{z}' \times \vec{p}_{K^+}|}$$



Polarization observables are sensitive to θ'_Λ and p_{K^+}



K. Miyagawa et al. PRC 74034002 (2006)

How can we study the YN interaction?

- Extending NN to YN potentials using $SU(3)$ symmetry
free parameters remain
- Elastic YN Scattering
poor database
- Study of Hypernuclei
no direct access on bare YN interaction
- **Final State Interactions (FSI) in Hyperon Production**
simple target
sufficient counting rates in modern accelerators
model-dependent data interpretation

