

# Dilepton production in relativistic energies

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- Motivation
- Transport equations for spectral functions
- $\pi A$  reactions and quantum interference in nuclear matter
- $\bar{p}A$  reaction (PANDA)
- Summary

## Why dileptons

- measured (DLS, HADES, CERES, NA60, STAR, ALICE)
- without final state interaction
- vector mesons decay to dileptons → vector mesons in matter
- much better than photons:  
mass can be used to distinguish between the different sources
- interesting results for p-nucleus (KEK) and nucleus-nucleus (SPS,RHIC,LHC) collisions

# Dilepton production in NN

- Direct decay of vector mesons and  $\eta$

- Dalitz-decay of  $\pi$ ,  $\eta$  and  $\omega$

- Dalitz-decay of baryon resonances

Zetenyi, Wolf, Phys. Rev, C67 (2003) 044002;

Heavy Ion Phys. 17 (2003) 27

- pn bremsstrahlung not negligible

- Drell-Yan

- Open charm

- Charmonium decay

- Boltzmann-Ühling-Uhlenbeck equation

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{x}} - \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{p}} = \mathcal{C}, \quad H = \sqrt{(m_0 + U(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}))^2 + \mathbf{p}^2}$$

- potential: momentum dependent, soft: K=215 MeV

$$U^{nr} = A \frac{n}{n_0} + B \left( \frac{n}{n_0} \right)^\tau + C \frac{2}{n_0} \int \frac{d^3 p'}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{f_N(x, p')}{1 + \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}'}{\Lambda} \right)^2},$$

S. Teis, W. Cassing, M. Effenberger, A. Hombach, U. Mosel, Gy. Wolf, Z. Phys. A359 (1997) 297-304,  
 Gy. Wolf et al., Phys.Atom.Nucl. 75 (2012) 718-720

- testparticle method

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{test}} \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i(t)) \delta^{(4)}(p - p_i(t)).$$

## Collision term

- $NN \leftrightarrow NR, NN \leftrightarrow \Delta\Delta$
- baryon resonance can decay via 9 channels  
 $R \leftrightarrow N\pi, N\eta, N\sigma, N\rho, N\omega, \Delta\pi, N(1440)\pi, K\Lambda, K\Sigma$
- 24 baryon resonances +  $\Lambda$  and  $\Sigma$  baryons  
 $\pi, \eta, \sigma, \rho, \omega$  and kaons
- $\pi\pi \leftrightarrow \rho, \pi\pi \leftrightarrow \sigma, \pi\rho \leftrightarrow \omega$
- for resonances: energy dependent with
- $\frac{d\sigma^{X \rightarrow NR}}{dM_R} \sim A(M_R) \lambda^{0.5}(s, M_R^2, M_N^2)$

## Spectral equilibration

- medium effects on the spectrum of hadrons (vector mesons)
- how they get on-shell (energy-momentum conservation)
- Field theoretical method (Kadanoff-Baym equation)  
B. Schenke, C. Greiner, Phys.Rev.C73:034909,2006
- Off-shell transport  
W. Cassing, S. Juchem, Nucl.Phys. A672 (2000) 417  
S. Leupold, Nucl.Phys. A672 (2000) 475
- Spectral equilibration: Markov or memory effect

## Off-shell transport

- Kadanoff-Baym equation for retarded Green-function  
Wigner-transformation, gradient expansion

- transport equation for  $F_\alpha = f_\alpha(x, p, t)A_\alpha$   
$$A(p) = -2ImG^{ret} = \frac{\hat{\Gamma}}{(E^2 - \mathbf{p}^2 - m_0^2 - \text{Re}\Sigma^{ret})^2 + \frac{1}{4}\hat{\Gamma}^2},$$

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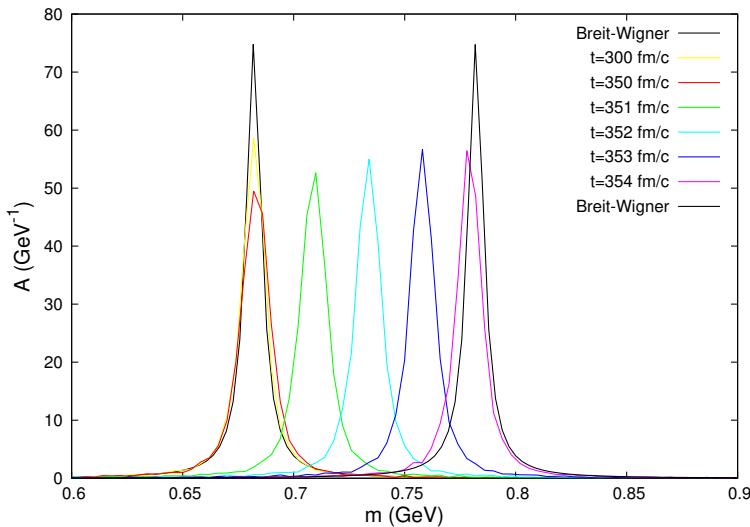
- testparticle approximation

# Transport equations

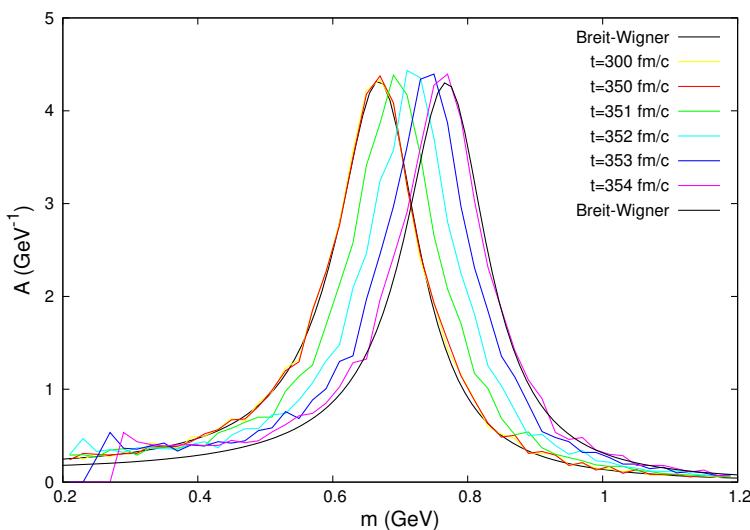
- $\frac{d\vec{X}_i}{dt} = \frac{1}{1-C_{(i)}} \frac{1}{2\epsilon_i} \left[ 2 \vec{P}_i + \vec{\nabla}_{P_i} Re\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret} + \frac{\epsilon_i^2 - \vec{P}_i^2 - M_0^2 - Re\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{Im\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}} \vec{\nabla}_{P_i} Im\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret} \right]$
- $\frac{d\vec{P}_i}{dt} = -\frac{1}{1-C_{(i)}} \frac{1}{2\epsilon_i} \left[ \vec{\nabla}_{X_i} Re\Sigma_i^{ret} + \frac{\epsilon_i^2 - \vec{P}_i^2 - M_0^2 - Re\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{Im\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}} \vec{\nabla}_{X_i} Im\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret} \right]$
- $\frac{d\epsilon_i}{dt} = \frac{1}{1-C_{(i)}} \frac{1}{2\epsilon_i} \left[ \frac{\partial Re\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{\partial t} + \frac{\epsilon_i^2 - \vec{P}_i^2 - M_0^2 - Re\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{Im\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}} \frac{\partial Im\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{\partial t} \right]$
- where  $C_{(i)}$  renormalization factor
- $C_{(i)} = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_i} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_i} Re\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret} + \frac{\epsilon_i^2 - \vec{P}_i^2 - M_0^2 - Re\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{Im\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_i} Im\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret} \right]$
- the last equation for homogenous system can be rewritten as
- $$\frac{dM_i^2}{dt} = \frac{d(\epsilon_i^2 - P_i^2)}{dt} = \frac{dRe\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{dt} + \frac{M_i^2 - M_0^2 - Re\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{Im\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}} \frac{dIm\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{dt}$$

# Evolution of mass distribution in a box

the vector meson masses are shifted linearly with density, and change the density linearly from  $\rho_0$  to 0 in 4 fm/c:



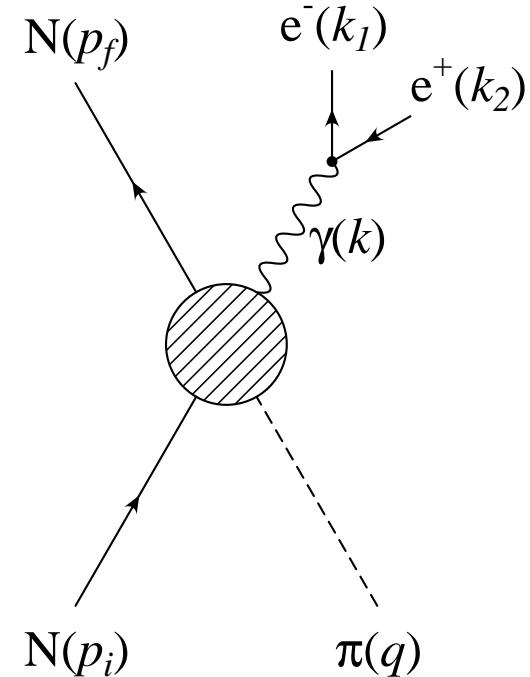
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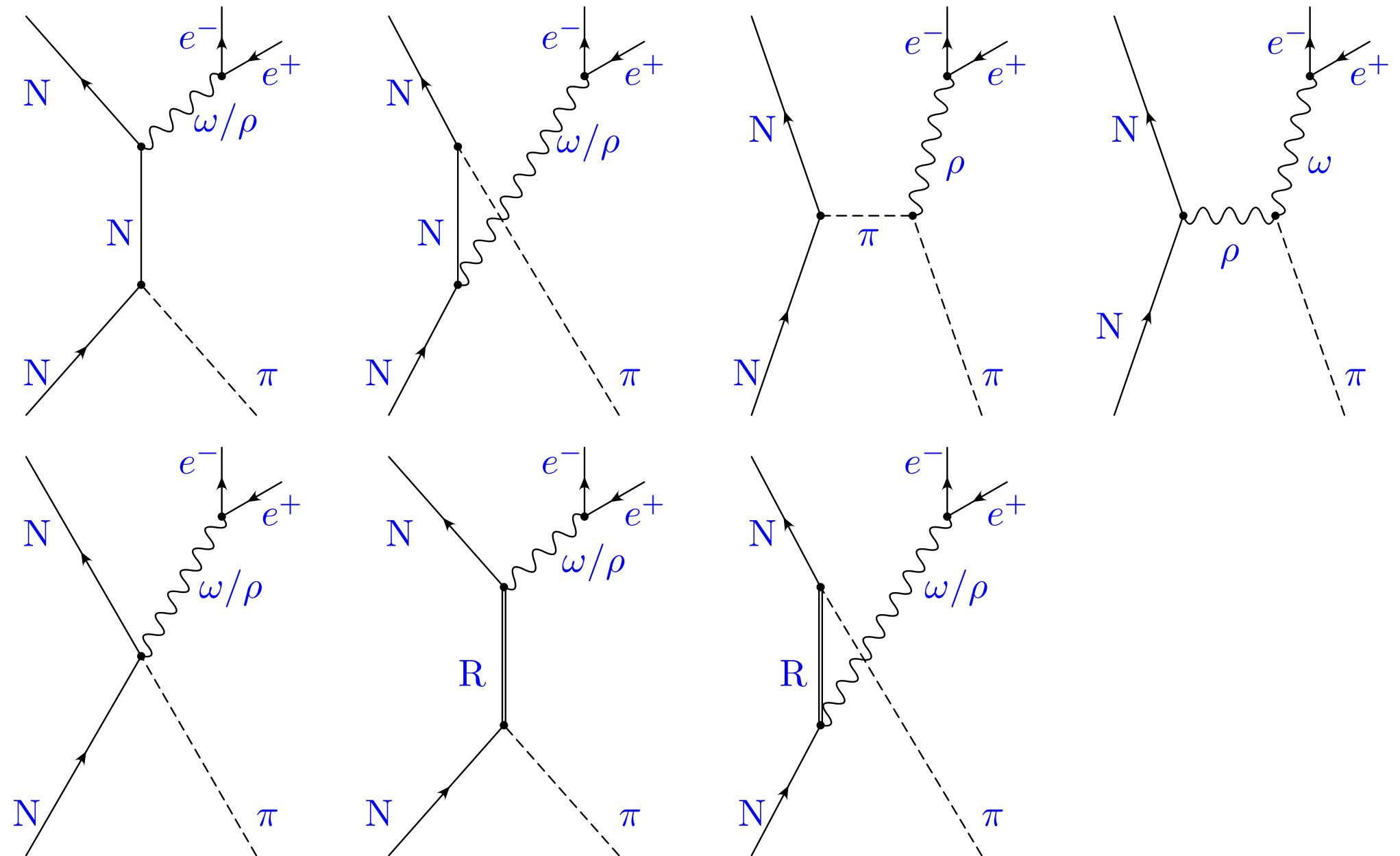
$\rho$

$$\pi + N \rightarrow N + e^+ e^-$$

- Coupled-channel approaches  
K-matrix: Post-Mosel  
Bethe-Salpeter: Lutz-Wolf-Friman
- Effective field theory:  
Zétényi, Wolf,  
Phys. Rev. C86 (2012) 065209



# Feynman diagrams for $\pi + N \rightarrow N + e^+e^-$



## Effective Field Theory for $\pi + N \rightarrow N + e^+e^-$

$$\mathcal{L}_{NN\pi} = -\frac{f_{NN\pi}}{m_\pi} \bar{\psi}_N \gamma_5 \gamma^\mu \vec{\tau} \psi_N \cdot \partial_\mu \vec{\pi}.$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega\rho\pi} = \frac{g_{\omega\rho\pi}}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \partial_\mu \omega_\nu \text{Tr} ((\partial_\alpha \vec{\rho}_\beta \cdot \vec{\tau})(\vec{\pi} \cdot \vec{\tau}))$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{NN\rho} = g_\rho \bar{\psi}_N \left( \vec{\rho} - \kappa_\rho \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu}}{4m_N} \vec{\rho}^{\mu\nu} \right) \cdot \vec{\tau} \psi_N, \quad \mathcal{L}_{NN\omega} = g_\omega \bar{\psi}_N \left( \omega - \kappa_\omega \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu}}{4m_N} \omega^{\mu\nu} \right) \psi_N.$$

$\rho_0$  couples to  $\bar{\psi}_N \tau_0 \psi_N$  so to p and to n with different signs, while  $\omega$  with the same sign

Considering  $\pi^- p \rightarrow n e^+ e^-$  and  $\pi^+ n \rightarrow p e^+ e^-$  in one channel constructive and in the other channel destructive interference

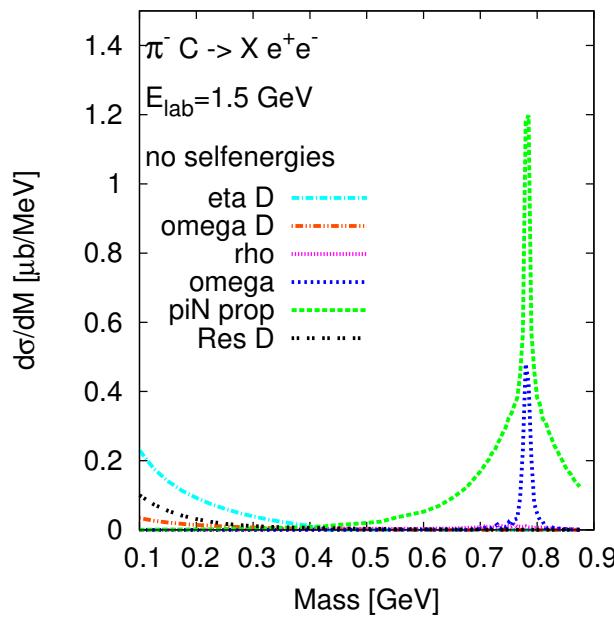
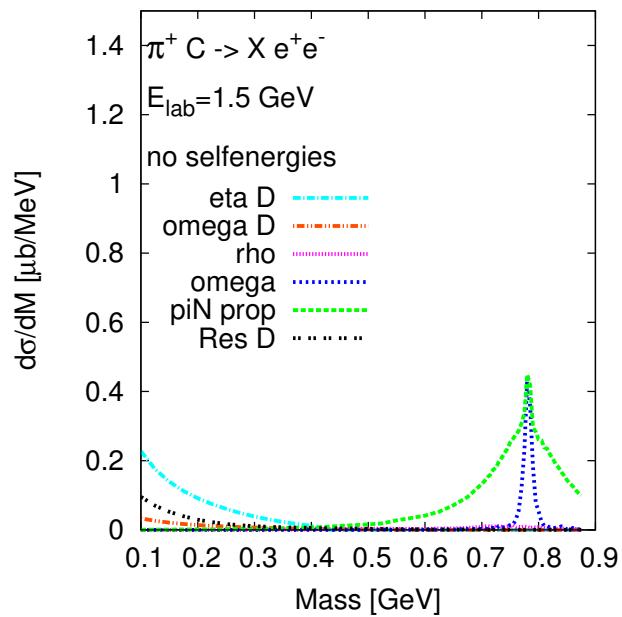
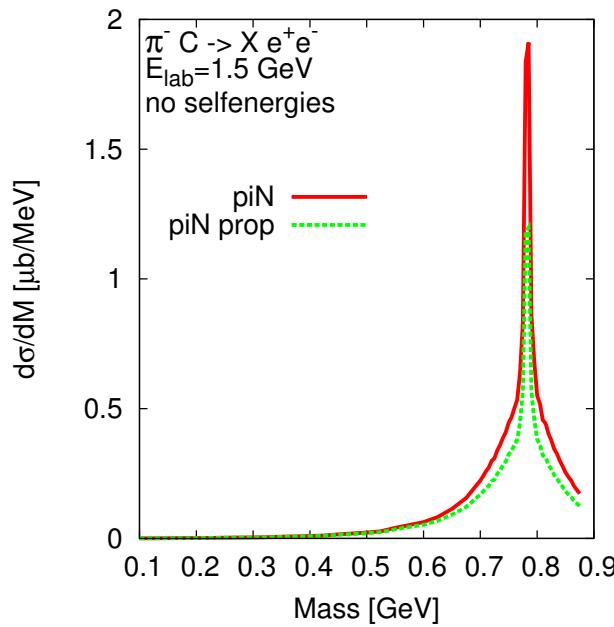
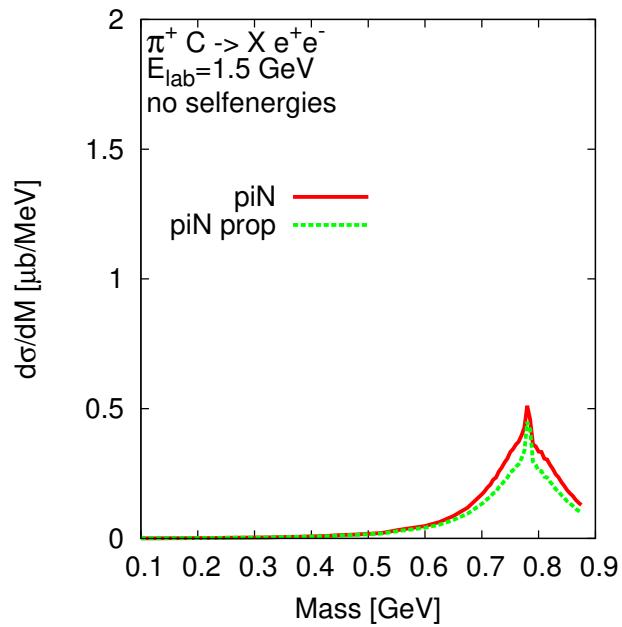
# Dileptons in pion-nucleus collisions

- $\frac{\frac{d\sigma}{dM} \pi^- p \rightarrow n e^+ e^- (m_\omega)}{\frac{d\sigma}{dM} \pi^+ n \rightarrow p e^+ e^- (m_\omega)} \approx 4$  because of the interference
- The effect is strong if cross section through  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  are similar
- coupling constants of  $\omega$  were taken from the literature, we plan to make our fit
- The same problem was studied in M.F.M. Lutz, B. Friman, M. Soyeur, Nucl. Phys. A713 (2003) 97 and A.I. Titov, B Kämpfer, EPJ A 12 (2001) 217. They had smaller  $\rho$  cross section, so the effect was strong at lower  $\sqrt{s}$
- How much of this coherence survive in a nucleus?
- In a nucleus coherence is lost if one of the vector meson collides
- Quantum measurement: collisional broadening for those  $\omega$ 's which will interfere with a  $\rho$ ?

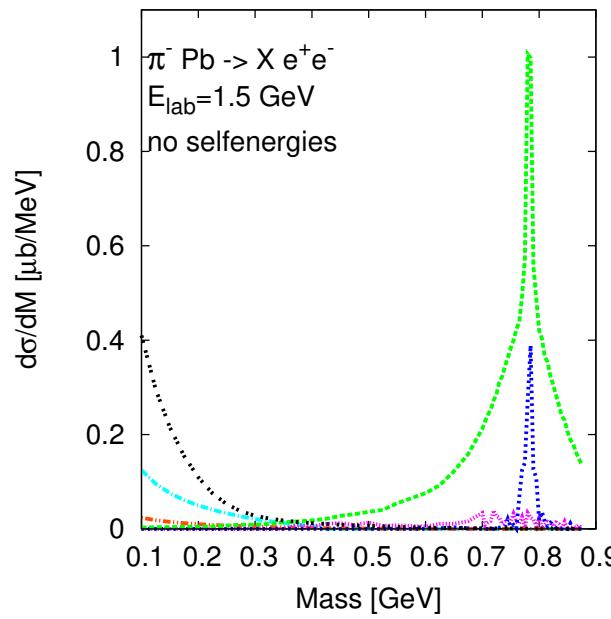
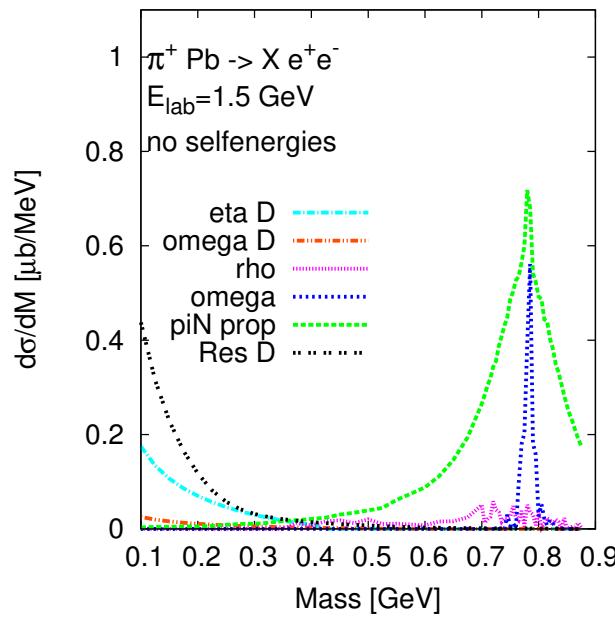
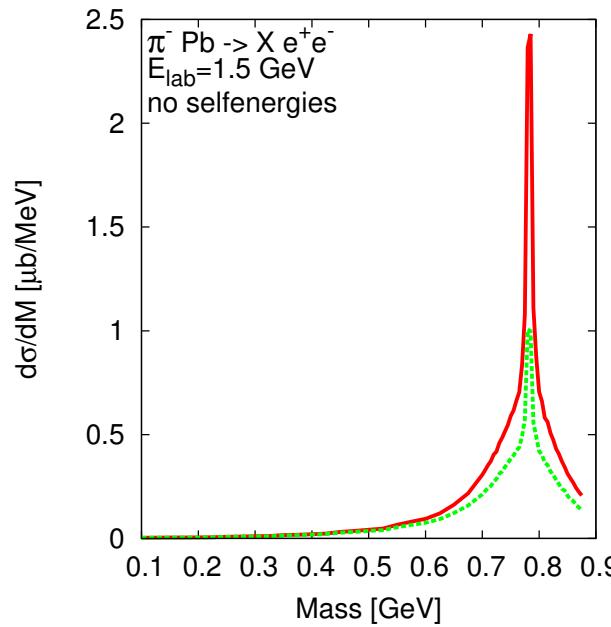
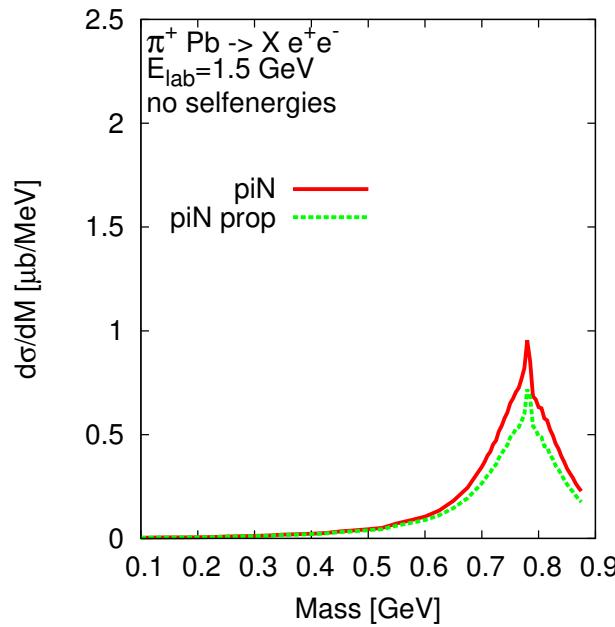
## Simulation of $\pi$ A collisions

- Same as usually except for  $\pi N \rightarrow Ne^+e^-$
- in case of a  $\pi N$  collision several “doublets” are created.  
(The original  $\pi$  and  $N$  do not change their state.)  
A doublet consists of 2 perturbative particles  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  with their cross sections and the “cross section” of the interference term.  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  are created with the same position, momentum and mass.
- They propagate, decay and can be absorbed. The interference term contribute only if none of them collide or is absorbed.
- Propagation: perturbative  $\rho$ 's and  $\omega$ 's propagate in the surrounding medium
- Absorption:  $\rho$ 's and  $\omega$ 's can be absorbed by a nucleon

# $\pi^-$ C, 1.5 GeV, no selfenergies, Preliminary results



# $\pi$ Pb, 1.5 GeV, no selfenergies, Preliminary results



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- $\frac{\frac{d\sigma}{dM} \pi^- p \rightarrow n e^+ e^- (m_\omega)}{\frac{d\sigma}{dM} \pi^+ n \rightarrow p e^+ e^- (m_\omega)} \approx 4$
- $\frac{\frac{d\sigma}{dM} \pi^- C^{12} \rightarrow X e^+ e^- (m_\omega)}{\frac{d\sigma}{dM} \pi^+ C^{12} \rightarrow X e^+ e^- (m_\omega)} \approx 2.9$
- $\frac{\frac{d\sigma}{dM} \pi^- Pb^{207} \rightarrow X e^+ e^- (m_\omega) / N_p}{\frac{d\sigma}{dM} \pi^+ Pb^{207} \rightarrow X e^+ e^- (m_\omega) / N_n} \approx 2.0$

In case of complete decoherence these ratios should be 1.

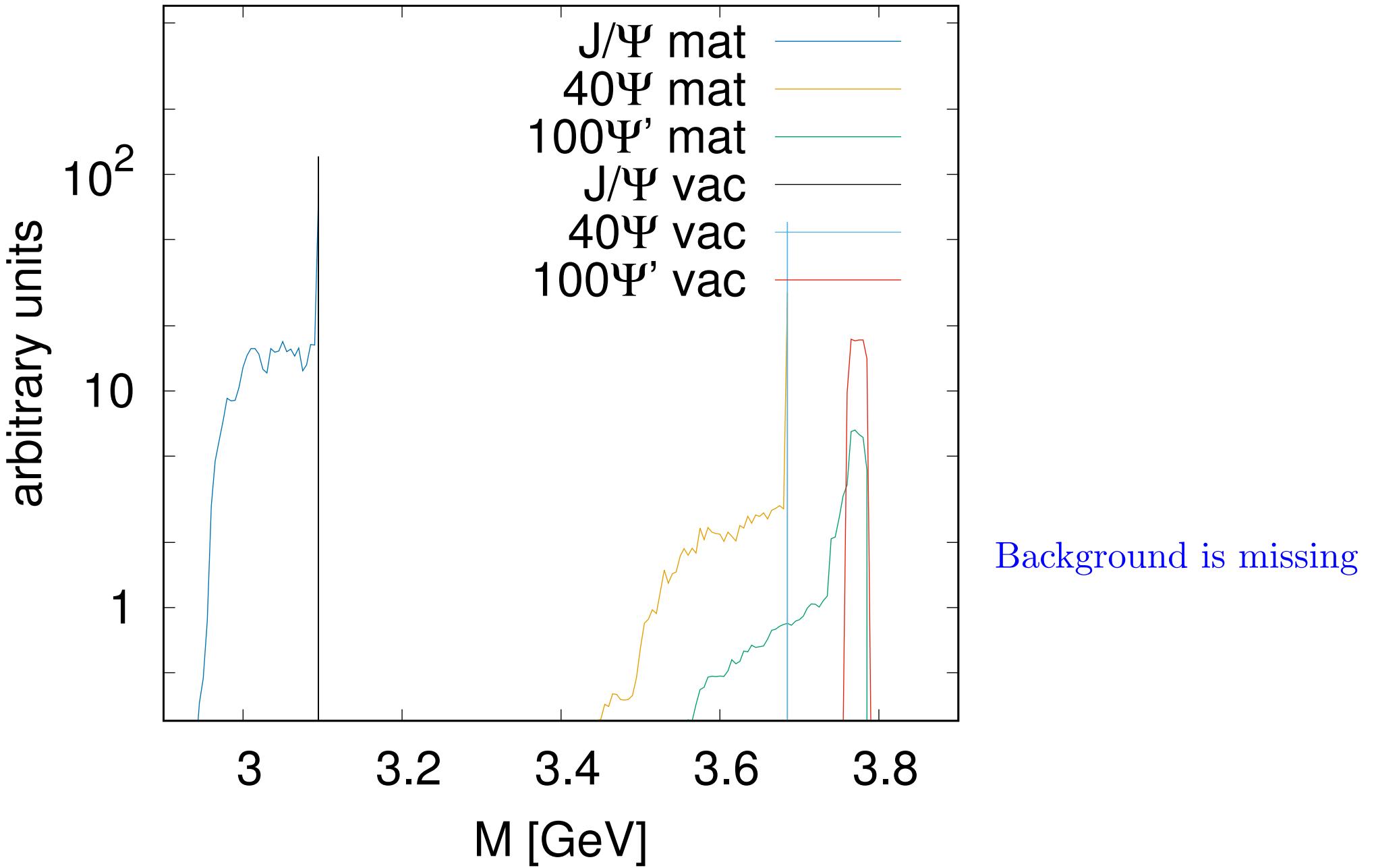
- Experimentally the decoherence can be observed in strongly interacting matter.
- Is an interference with its pair a measurement? Collisional broadening?

## $\bar{p}A$ at PANDA energies

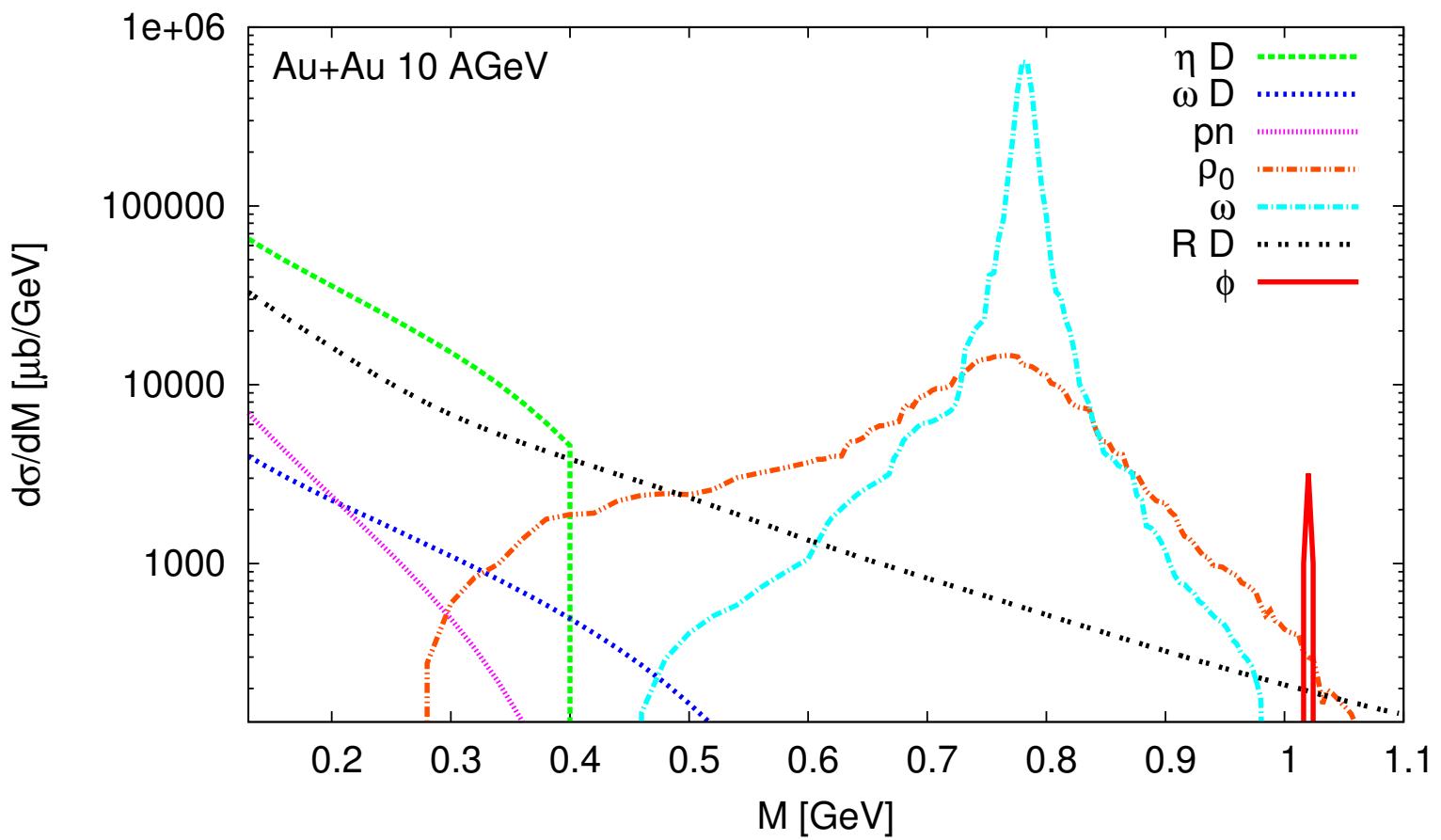
- J/ $\Psi$ ,  $\Psi(3686)$ ,  $\Psi(3770)$
- mass and width linearly depend on density:  
S.H. Lee, nucl-th/0310080  
at normal nuclear density:

Charmonium	Mass shift	width
J/ $\Psi$	-15 MeV	$\Gamma_0 + 20$ MeV
$\Psi(3686)$	-100 MeV	$\Gamma_0 + 20$ MeV
$\Psi(3770)$	-140 MeV	$\Gamma_0 + 20$ MeV

# $\bar{p}$ Au at 10 GeV/c (preliminary)



# Au+Au at 10 AGeV/c (CBM, NICA)



No in-medium effects

## Summary

- Dilepton production in  $\pi N$  and  $\pi A$  an unique way to study quantum interference inside strongly interacting matter by measuring on nucleon, on light and on heavy nuclei.
- Dilepton production in  $\bar{p}A$  provides us the possibility to study charmonium spectral function in matter.
- Calculation of the background is missing
- special kinematics can enhance the effect

# Dilepton production in Heavy ion Collisions

Sources of low mass dileptons

- $NN \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow NN e^+ e^-$  (measurable)
- vector meson decay (can be created also in  $\pi^+ \pi^-$  annihilation)
- other secondaries ( $\pi N$ , or  $N\Delta(\text{NR}) \rightarrow NN e^+ e^-$ )

Strategy 1: put the measured  $NN \rightarrow NN e^+ e^-$ ,  $\rho(\omega.\phi) \rightarrow e^+ e^-$  and the estimated cross section for the secondaries to a transport and obtain the HIC result.

Problem:

Hunted in-medium effects are buried in the  $NN \rightarrow NN e^+ e^-$  cross section and in the properties of the vector mesons.

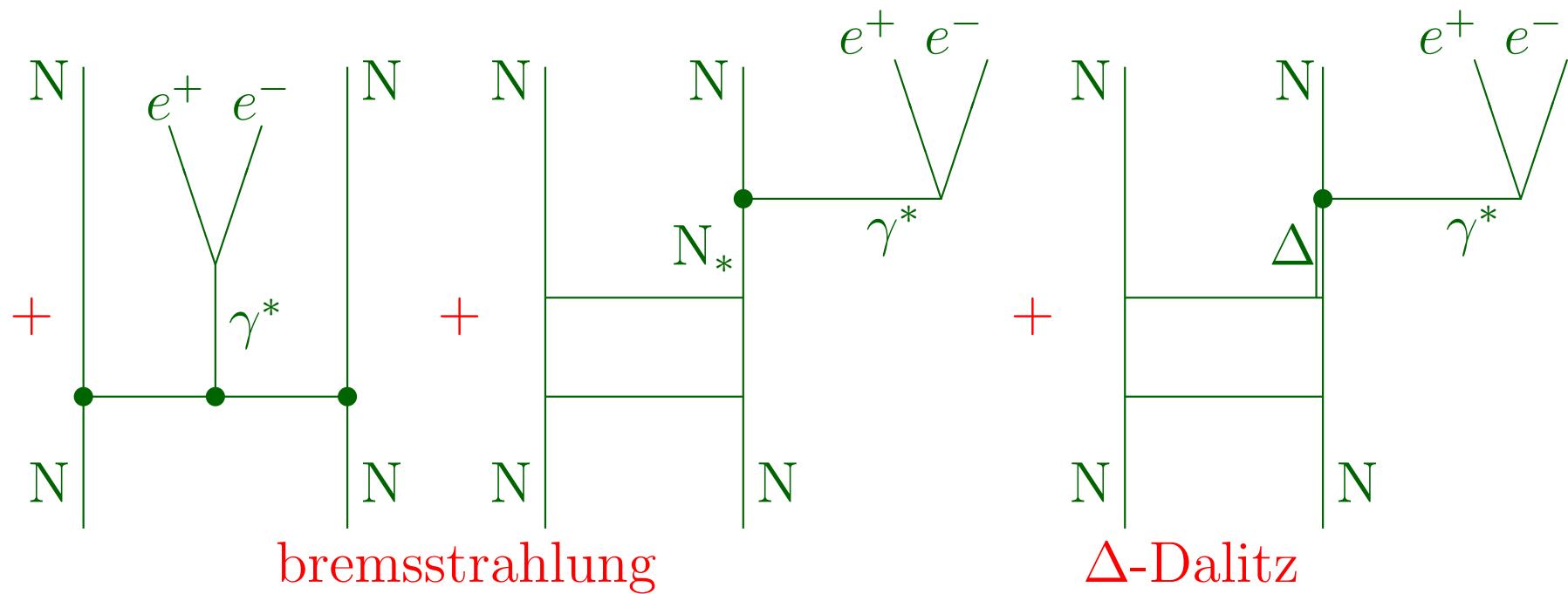
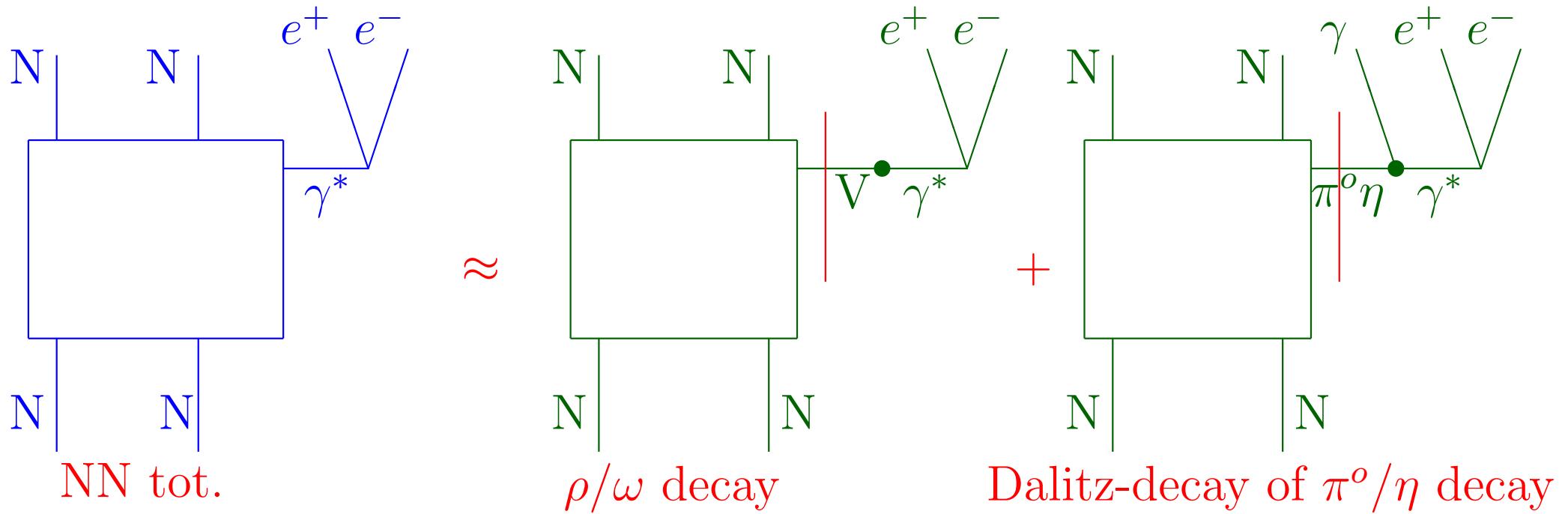
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- pn bremsstrahlung not negligible

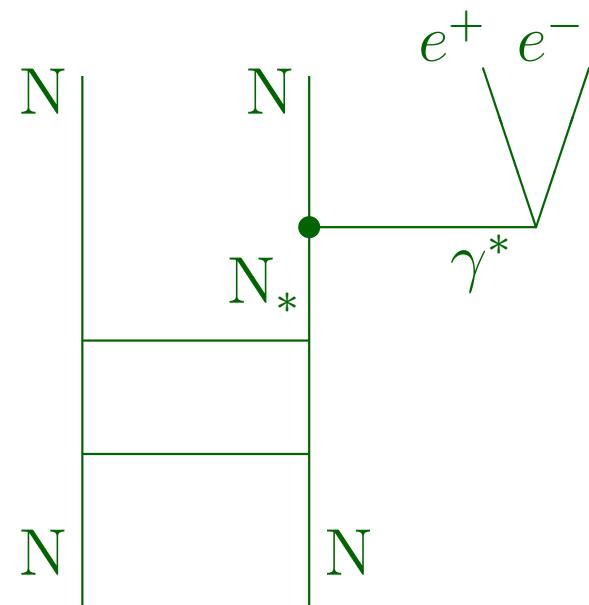
# Dilepton Channels in NN



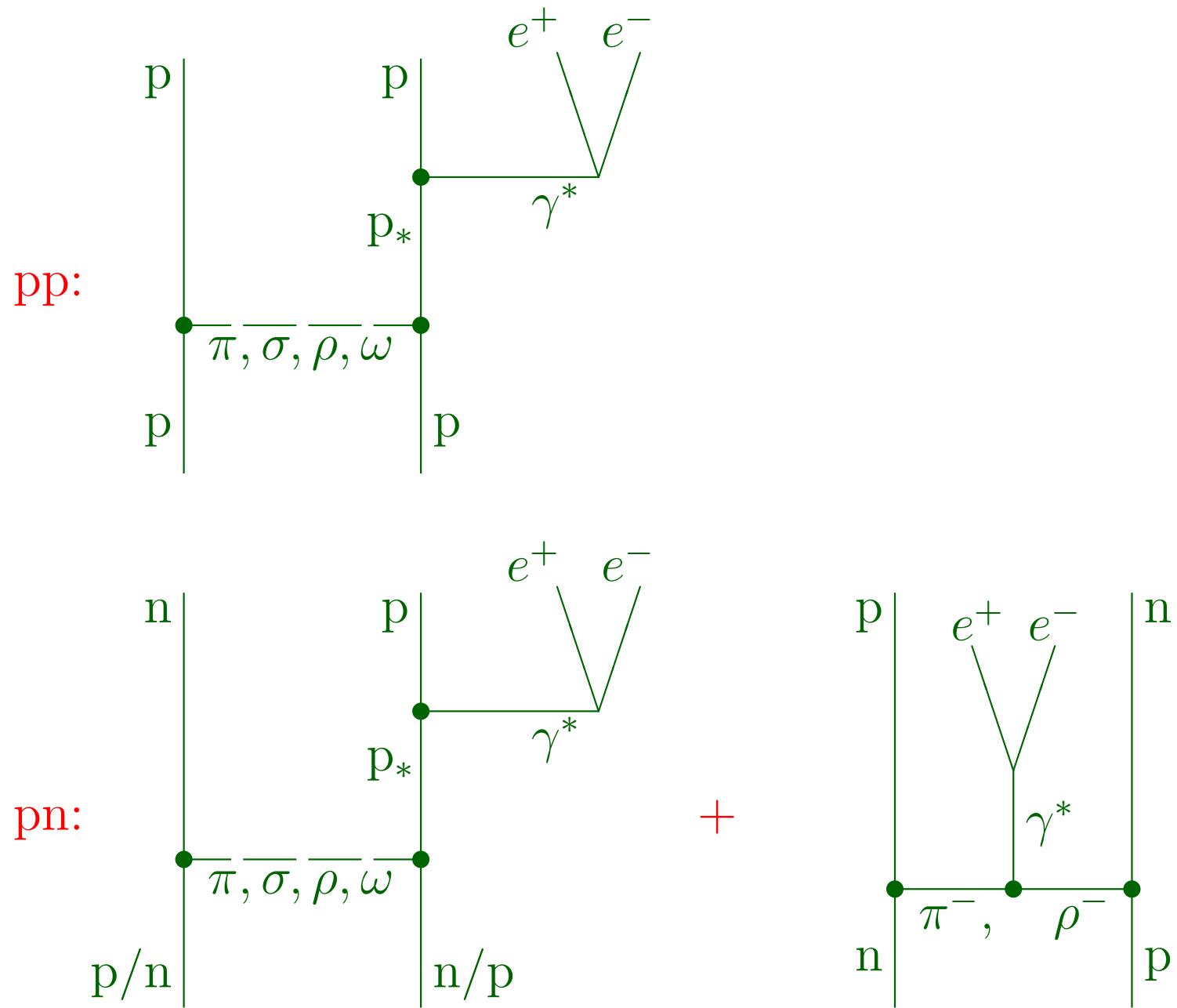
# Bremsstrahlung calculations

Soft photon approximation

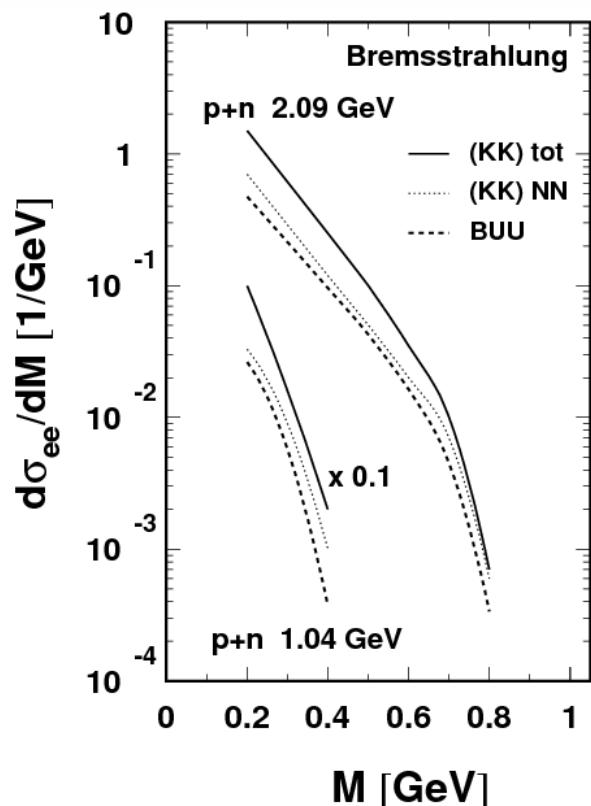
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dM} = \frac{\sigma}{M} \frac{\alpha^2}{6\pi^3} \int \frac{d^3q}{q_0^3} \frac{R_2(\bar{s})}{R_2(s)}.$$



# T-matrix calculations



- L.P. Kaptari, B. Kämpfer, Nucl. Phys. A **764** (2006) 338.
- R (2009) 035203



## Dalitz-decay of baryon resonances

$$\text{QED: } \frac{d\Gamma_{R \rightarrow N e^+ e^-}}{dM^2} = \frac{\alpha}{3\pi} \frac{1}{M^2} \Gamma_{R \rightarrow N \gamma}(M).$$

$$\Gamma_{R \rightarrow N \gamma}(M) = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda(m_*^2, m^2, M^2)}}{16\pi m_*^3} \frac{1}{n_{pol,R}} \sum_{pol} |\langle N \gamma | T | R \rangle|^2,$$

- spin- $J$  fermion,  $J \geq 3/2$ : Rarita-Schwinger spinor-tensor field

$$u^{\cdots \rho_i \cdots \rho_k \cdots}(p_*, \lambda_*) = u^{\cdots \rho_k \cdots \rho_i \cdots}(p_*, \lambda_*),$$

$$u^{\cdots \sigma \cdots}{}_\sigma^{\cdots}(p_*, \lambda_*) = u^{\cdots \sigma \cdots}(p_*, \lambda_*) p_{*\sigma} = u^{\cdots \sigma \cdots}(p_*, \lambda_*) \gamma_\sigma = 0,$$

## EM coupling of baryon resonances

- There are 3 independent tensor structures (for  $S \geq 3/2$ ) for coupling of nucleon and Rarita-Schwinger spinors ( $G = 1$  or  $\gamma_5$ ):

$$\Gamma_{\mu\rho_1 \cdots \rho_n} = \sum_{i=1}^3 f_i(q^2 = M^2) \chi_{\mu\rho_1}^i p_{\rho_2} \cdots p_{\rho_n} G,$$

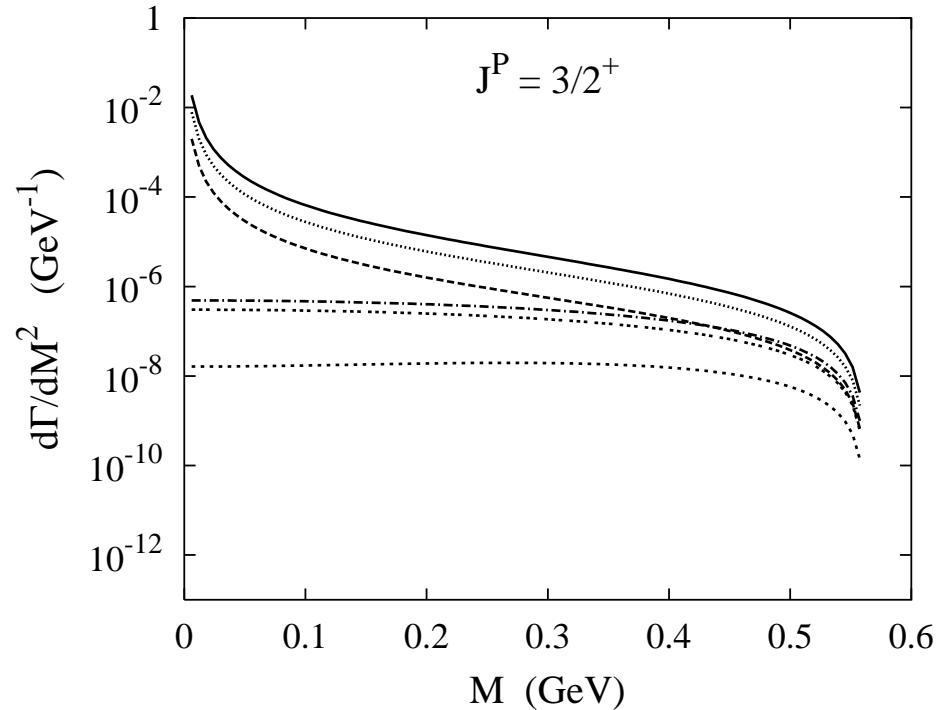
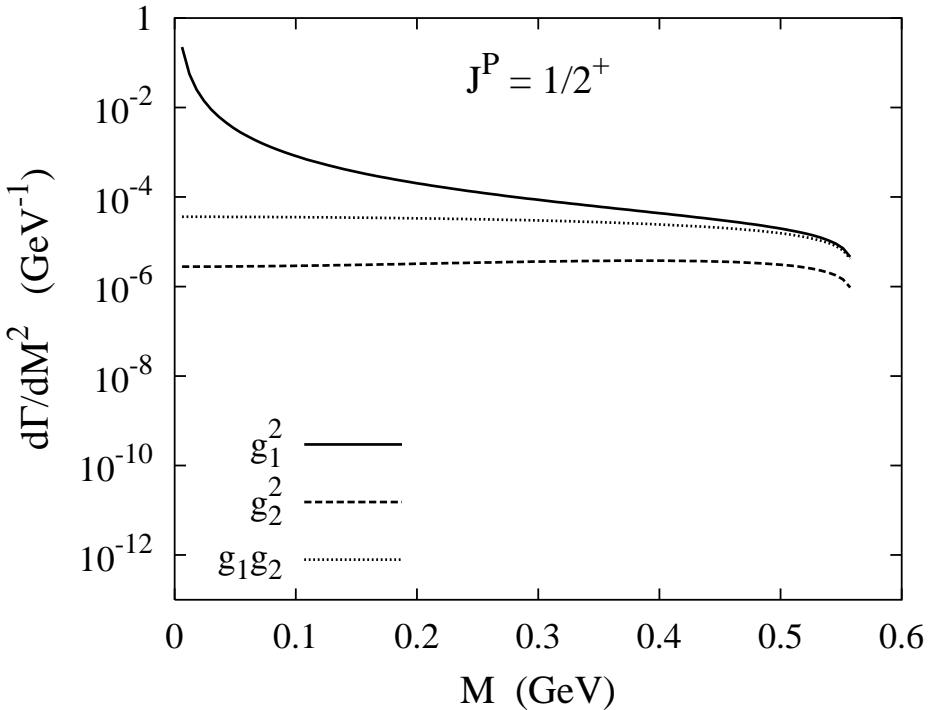
with

$$\chi_{\mu\rho}^1 = \gamma_\mu q_\rho - \not{q} g_{\mu\rho},$$

$$\chi_{\mu\rho}^2 = P_\mu q_\rho - (P \cdot q) g_{\mu\rho},$$

$$\chi_{\mu\rho}^3 = q_\mu q_\rho - q^2 g_{\mu\rho},$$

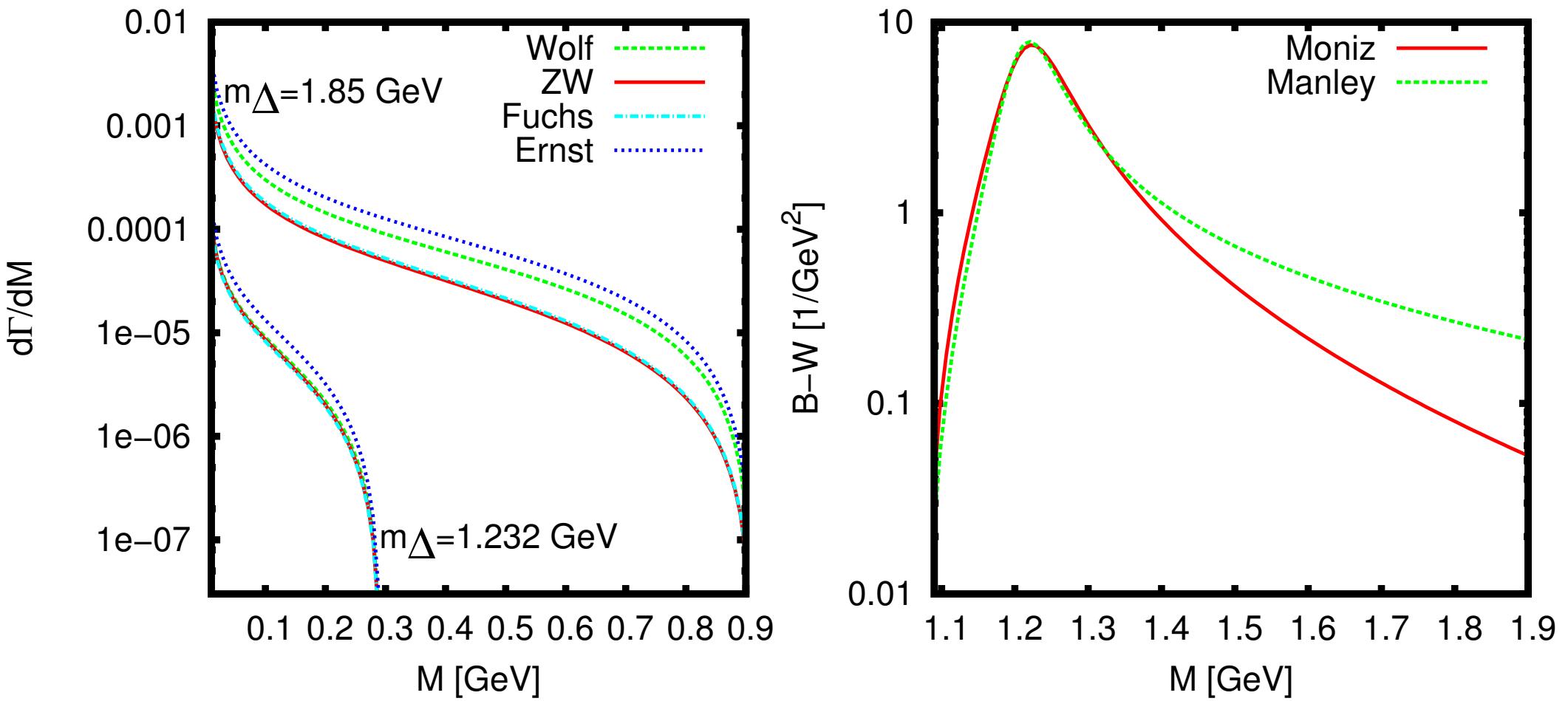
# Dalitz-decay contributions



$m_* = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$ . Dimensionless coupling constants are set to 1.

In the  $S=1/2$  case  $g_2$  and in the  $S \geq 3/2$  case  $g_3$  cannot be fixed at  $M=0$ , since their contributions there are identically 0.

# $\Delta(1232)$



$\Delta$  properties are fixed around the resonance region, but because of its very strong electromagnetic coupling it dominates the Dalitz-decay spectrum at high masses ( $\sim 1.7 \text{ GeV}$ ), although for pion production its effect already negligible.

## Summary of elementary dilepton production

- There is no good bremsstrahlung calculation (describes pp and pn at the same time).
- Delta-Dalitz decay contribution is very uncertain, too
- Complete  $NN \rightarrow NN e^+ e^-$  calculation is needed with angular dependence and compare with experimental data for pp and pn. Deduce the relative strengths. Then put into transport.

## Cross sections

Elastic baryon-baryon cross section is fitted to the elastic pp data  
Meson absorption cross sections are given by

$$\sigma_{\pi N \rightarrow R} = \frac{4\pi}{p^2} (\text{spin factors}) \frac{\Gamma_{in} \Gamma_{tot}}{(s - m_R^2) + s \Gamma_{tot}^2}$$

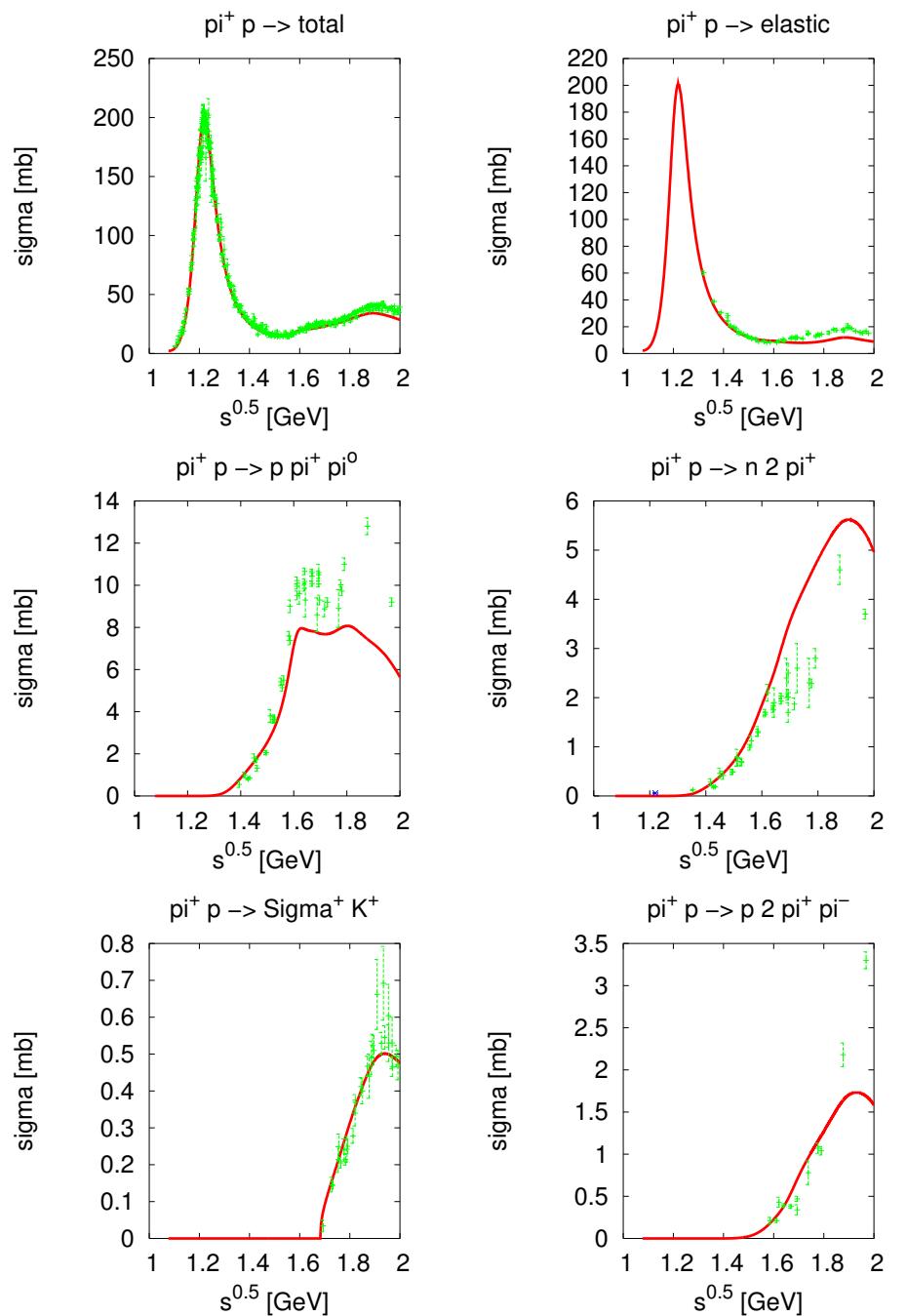
Baryon resonance parameters: mass, width, branching ratios are fitted by describing the meson production channels in  $\pi N$  collisions:

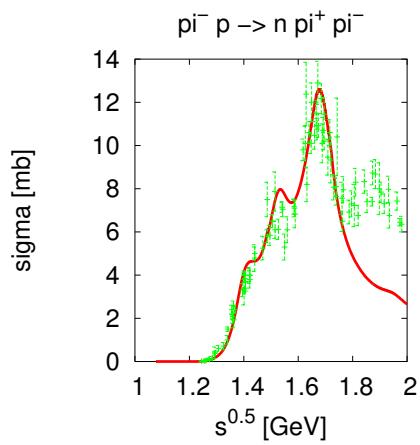
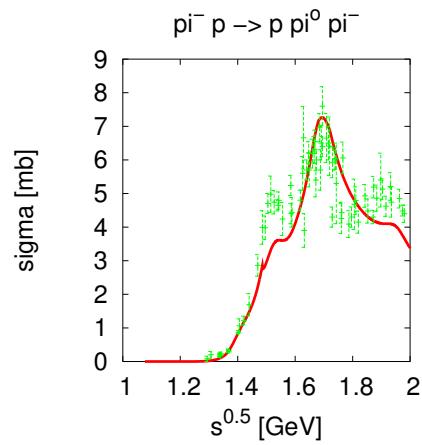
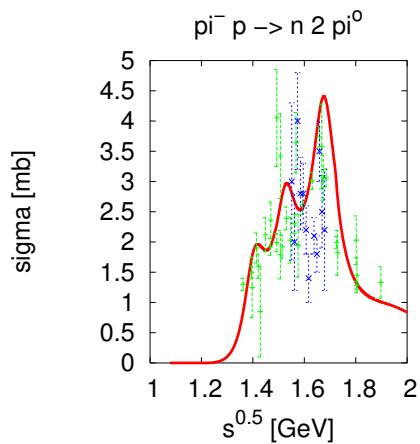
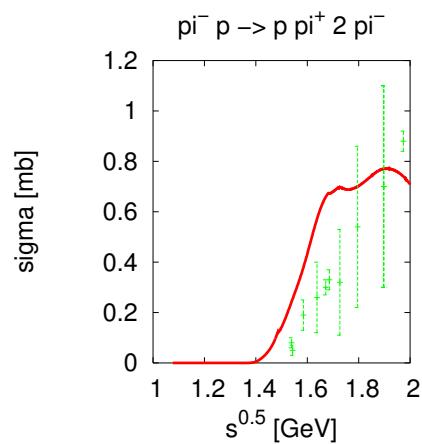
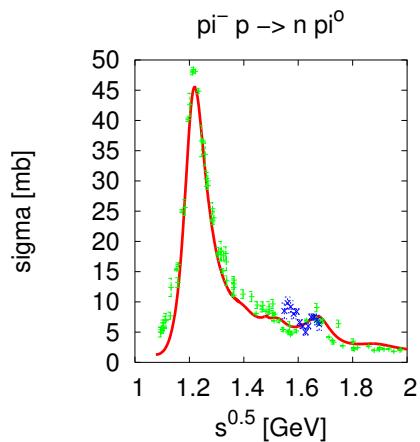
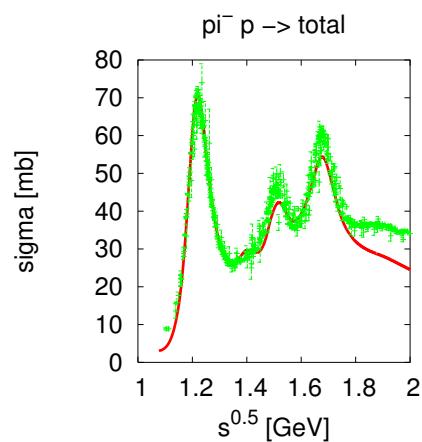
$$\sigma_{\pi N \rightarrow NM} = \sum_R \sigma_{\pi N \rightarrow R} \frac{\Gamma_{R \rightarrow NM}}{\Gamma_{tot}}$$

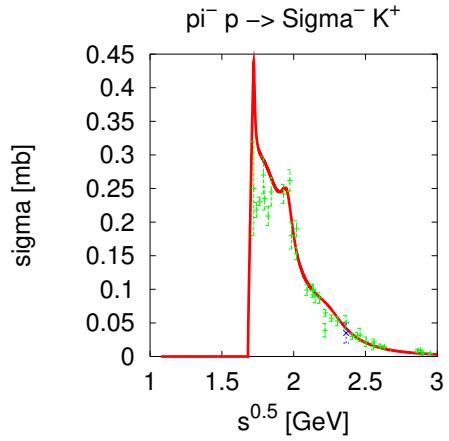
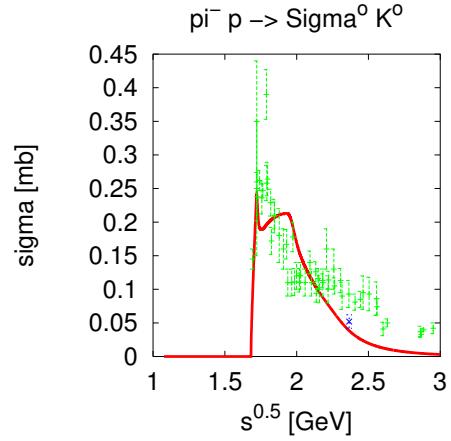
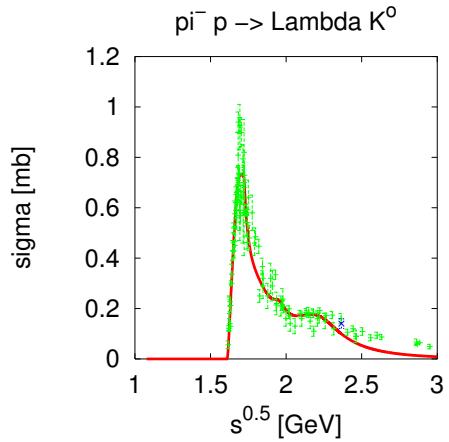
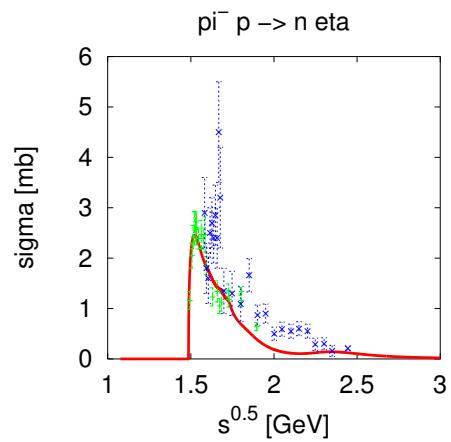
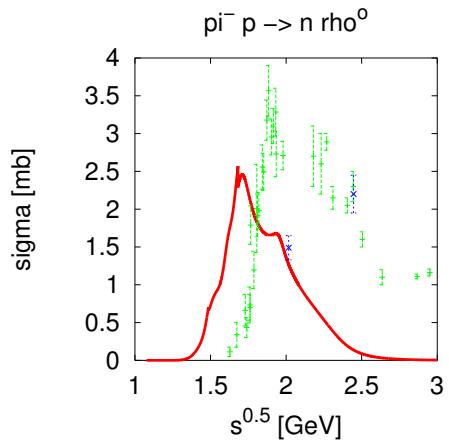
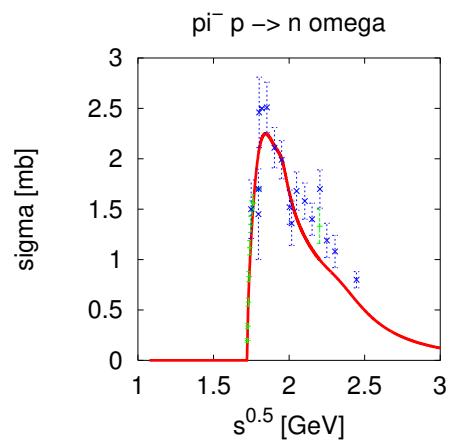
Resonance production cross section  $NN \rightarrow NR$  is given by the fit of

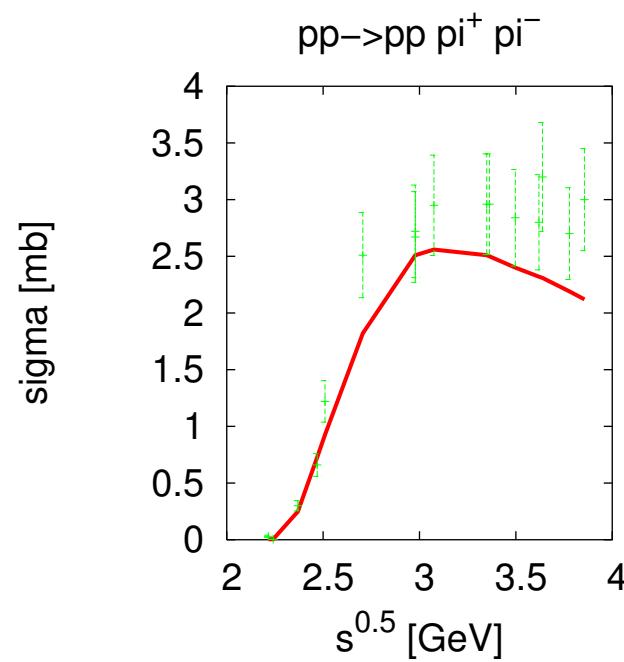
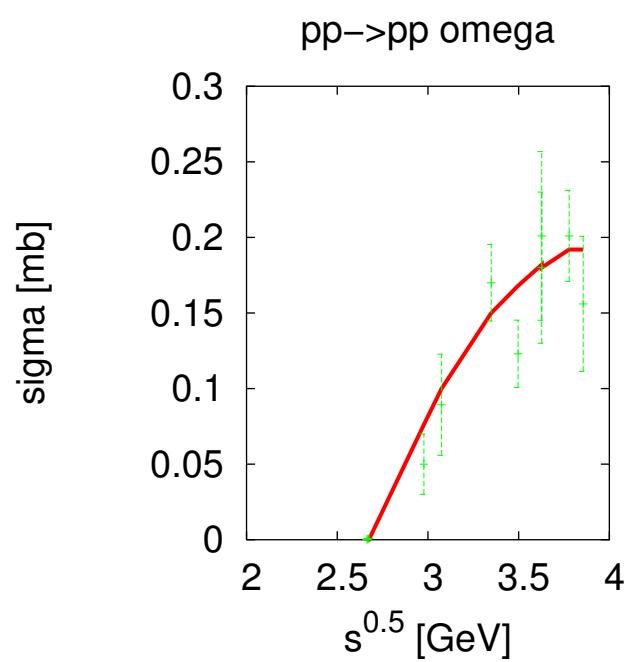
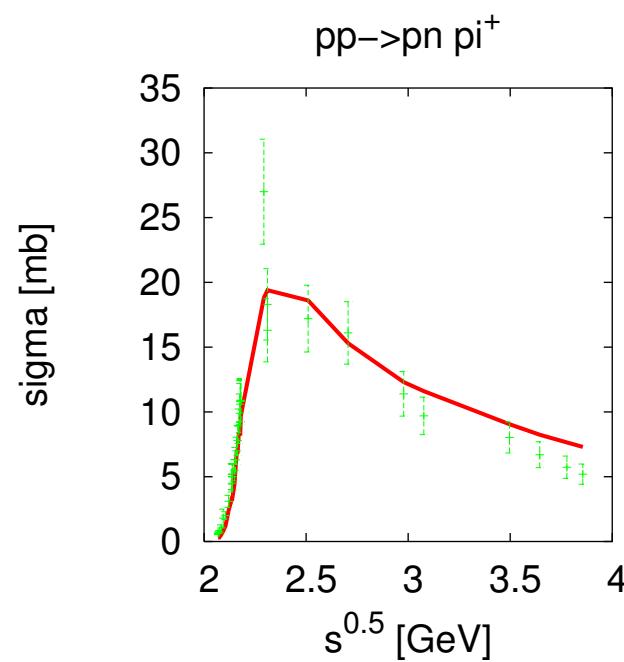
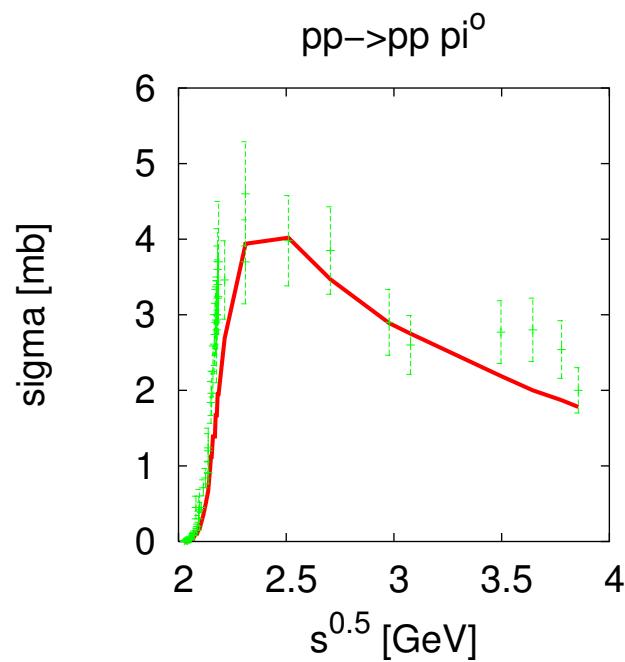
$$\sigma_{NN \rightarrow NM} = \sum_R \sigma_{NN \rightarrow NR} \frac{\Gamma_{R \rightarrow NM}}{\Gamma_{tot}}$$

27 baryons, 6 mesons. Fit is done by the Minuit package (CERN)









# Kadanoff-Baym Equation

Schwinger-Dyson equation:

$$G = G_0 + G_0 \Sigma G$$

$$G^{11}(1, 2) = G^T(1, 2) = \langle T(\phi(1)\phi(2)) \rangle$$

$$G^{22}(1, 2) = G^{AT}(1, 2) = \langle \tilde{T}(\phi(1)\phi(2)) \rangle$$

$$G^{21}(1, 2) = G^<(1, 2) = \langle \phi(2)\phi(1) \rangle$$

$$G^{12}(1, 2) = G^>(1, 2) = \langle \phi(1)\phi(2) \rangle$$

$$G^r(1, 2) = \theta(t_1 - t_2)(G^>(x_1, t_1; x_2, t_2) - G^<(x_1, t_1; x_2, t_2))$$

$$G^a(1, 2) = \theta(t_2 - t_1)(G^<(x_1, t_1; x_2, t_2) - G^>(x_1, t_1; x_2, t_2))$$

After some manipulation: *Kadanoff-Baym equation*:

$$(i\hbar\partial_{t1} - H_0(1))G^<(1, 2) = \int d3 \Sigma^r(1, 3)G^<(3, 2) + \int d3 \Sigma^<(1, 3)G^a(3, 2)$$

$$(i\hbar\partial_{t1} - H_0(1))G^r(1, 2) = \delta^4(1, 2) + \int d3 \Sigma^r(1, 3)G^r(3, 2)$$

# Wigner-transformation

- Retarded propagator is not a distribution function
- Wigner transform:

$$r = x_1 - x_2 \quad , \quad R = x_1 + x_2$$

R (center of mass) dependence of propagators and selfenergies are weaker than the r dependence

$$G^r(R, P) = \int d^4r G^r(X + r, X - r)$$

- Gradient expansion in  $r$ . Neglect all terms with more than one derivative in  $R$
- transport equation for  $F_\alpha = iG^<(R, P) = f_\alpha(x, p, t)A_\alpha$   
$$A(p) = -2ImG^r = \frac{\hat{\Gamma}}{(E^2 - \mathbf{p}^2 - m_0^2 - \text{Re}\Sigma^r)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\hat{\Gamma}^2},$$
- Cassing, Juchem (2000) and Leupold (2000)
- testparticle approximation