

The Light-Meson Spectra from COMPASS and The Outlook for ALICE

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for the
COMPASS [‡] and ALICE ^α Collaborations

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Light-Meson Spectroscopy

Partial-wave Analysis

COMPASS Summary

ALICE



Light-Meson Spectroscopy



=

 $(q\bar{q})_0$

+

 $(q\bar{q})(q\bar{q})$

+

 $(q\bar{q})_8g$

Hybrid

+

 gg

Glueball

+ ...

Constituent Quark Model (CQM)

- Bound state of $q\bar{q}$
- Quantum numbers: $I^G(J^{PC})$

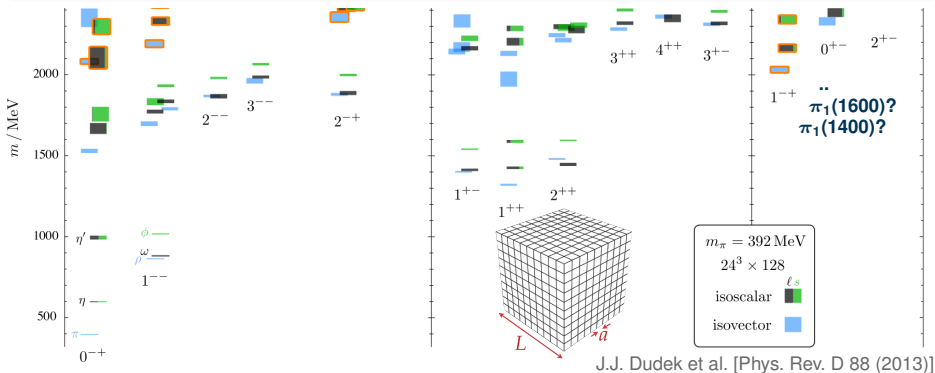
Light Meson Spectroscopy

- Many missing and disputed states
- Broad and overlapping resonances
- **Exotic quantum numbers**
($0^{--}, 0^{+-}, 1^{-+}, \dots$)
forbidden by NR QM

⇒ Study spectrum and properties
(width, decay, ...) of mesons



Light Mesons on the Lattice



- Tremendous progress in recent years
- Excited states, spin-identified spectra
- Resonance parameters and decay modes not (yet) accessible
- Experimental results need to reach equivalent precision



$$p p \rightarrow p_{\text{fast}} X p_{\text{slow}}$$

- Proton beam impinging on proton target, both **stay intact** and are detected
- Double-Pomeron production of meson system (**gluon-rich environment**)
- Decay into two pseudoscalar mesons ($\pi^+\pi^-$, $\pi^0\pi^0$, K^+K^- , $\eta\eta$, ..)
- 50×10^6 $\pi^+\pi^-$ events; 1.6×10^6 $\pi^0\pi^0$ events; 0.4×10^6 K^+K^- events



Central Production at CERN



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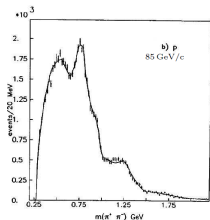
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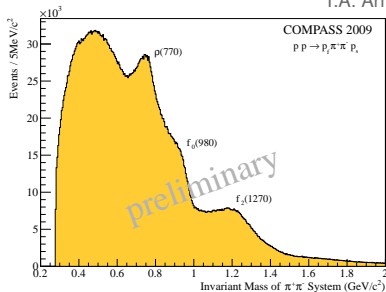


Study of the centrally produced $\pi\pi$ and $K\bar{K}$ systems at 85 and 300 GeV/c
T.A. Armstrong et al. [Z. Phys. C51 (1991)]



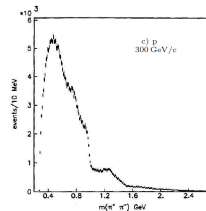
$$\sqrt{s} = 12.7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

(WA76)



$$\sqrt{s} = 18.9 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

(COMPASS)



$$\sqrt{s} = 23.7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

(WA91)

- Production of $\rho(770)$ disappears rapidly with increasing \sqrt{s}
- Low-mass enhancement and $f_0(980)$ remain practically unchanged
→ characteristic for s -independent Pomeron-Pomeron scattering
- Kinematic selection cannot single out pure DPE sample



Introduction to Ambiguities:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dz} = |f_2(z)|^2 \quad \text{for a complex amplitude } f_2(z)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(z) &= az^2 + bz + c \\ &= a(x - x_1)(x - x_2), \quad x_1, x_2 = \text{complex} \end{aligned}$$

Note we obtain different functions for

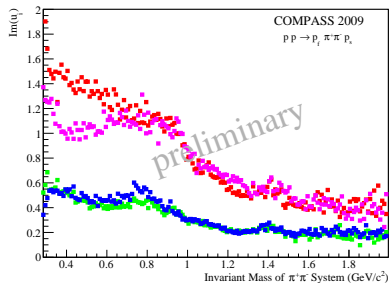
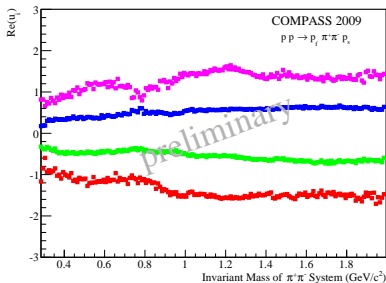
$$(x_1, x_2)$$



Ambiguities

- 8 mathematically ambiguous solutions result in the same angular distribution
- Analytical computation via method of **Barrelet Zeros**

S.-U. Chung, [Phys. Rev. D 56 (1997), 7299]



- Real (left) and imaginary (right) part of polynomial roots
 - Well separated, imaginary parts do not cross the real axis
- ⇒ Solutions can be uniquely identified and linked from mass bin to mass bin



Ambiguities in the $\pi\pi$ Systems

$\pi^+\pi^-$ System

- **8 different solutions** can be calculated analytically
- Differentiation requires additional input (e.g. behaviour at threshold, physics content)

$\pi^0\pi^0$ System

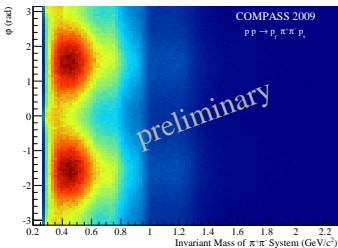
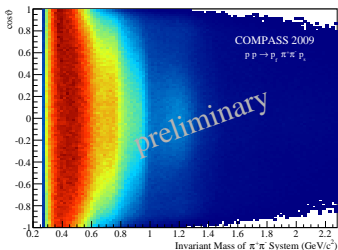
- Identical particles, only even waves allowed
- Reduces number of **ambiguities to 2**

Combination of $\pi\pi$ Systems

- Consistent picture of the reaction, measured with different parts of experimental setup

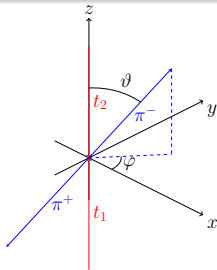


Partial-Wave Analysis



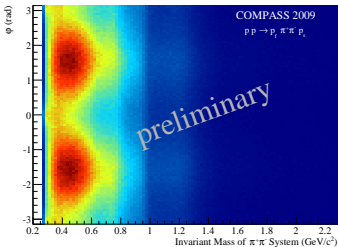
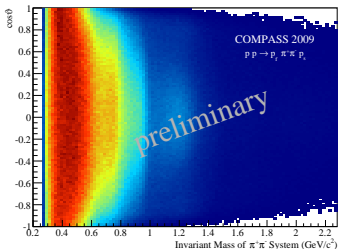
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$$\ell = 0$$



$$\cos(m\phi) P_\ell^m(\cos \theta)$$

$$\ell = 1$$



$$\ell = 2$$



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Partial-Wave Decomposition

Expand intensity $I(\vartheta, \varphi)$ into partial-wave amplitudes in narrow mass bins (10 MeV/ c^2):

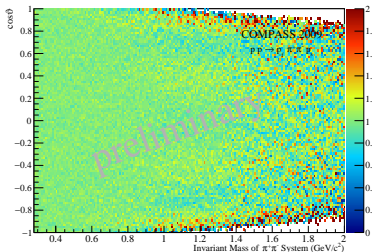
$$I(\vartheta, \varphi) = \sum \left| \sum_{LM} T_{LM} Y_M^L(\vartheta, \varphi) \right|^2$$

- Quantum-mechanical interference between amplitudes with same $|i\rangle$ and $|f\rangle$
- **Complex-valued transition amplitudes T_{LM}** , no assumption on mass-dependence
- Significant contributions only from $L = S, P, D$ and $M \leq 1$

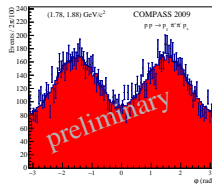
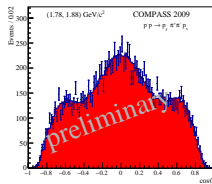
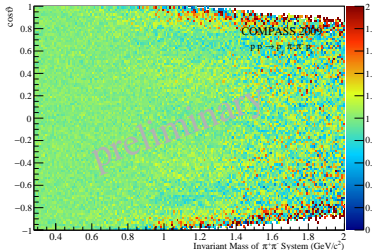
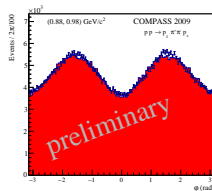
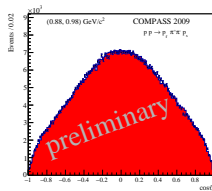
⇒ **Maximum Likelihood Fit in Mass Bins**



Evaluation of the Fit Quality

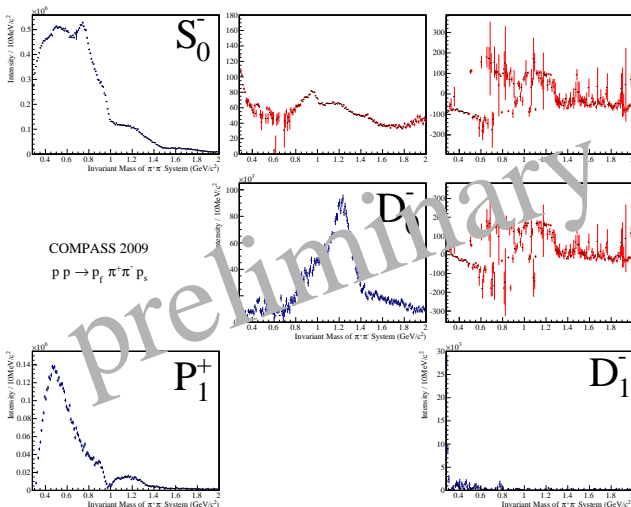


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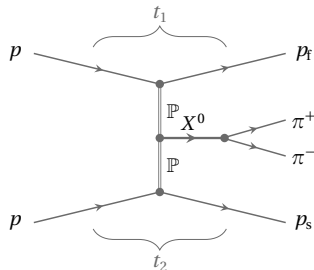
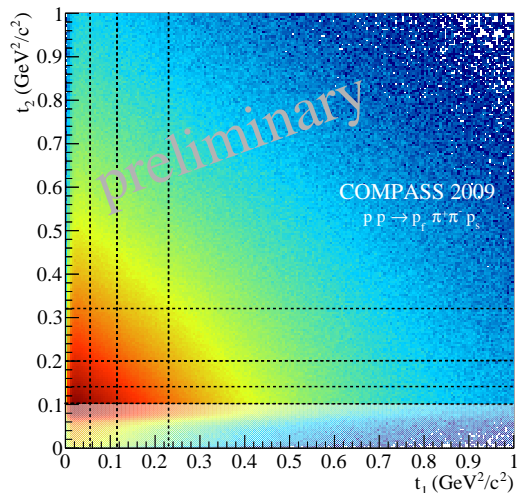


Fit to the $\pi\pi$ System: Physical Solution





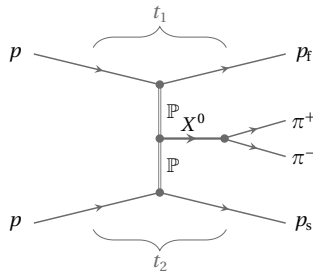
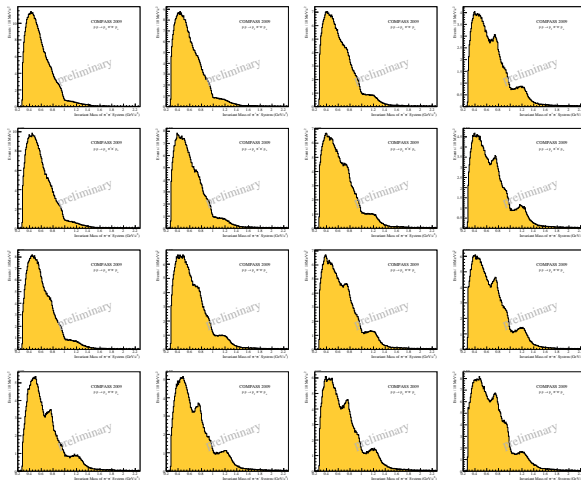
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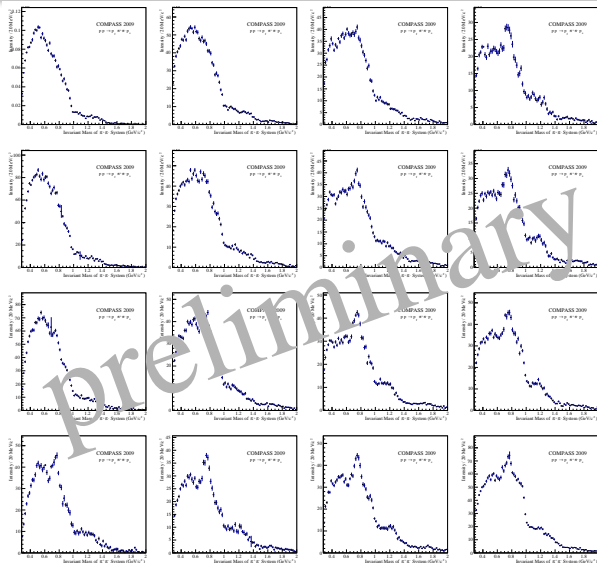
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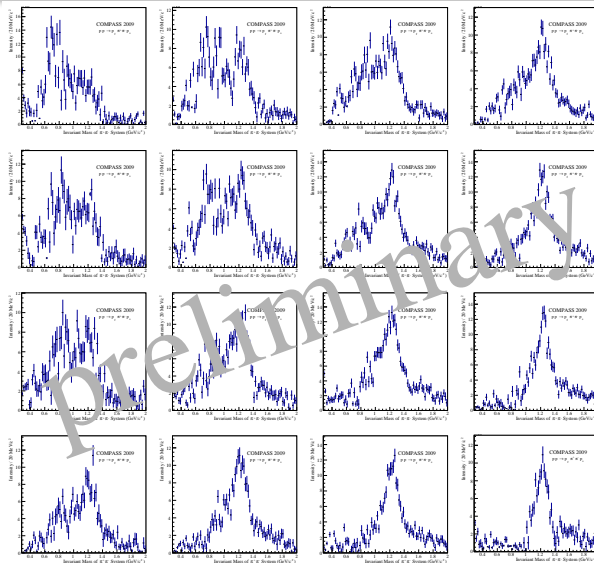


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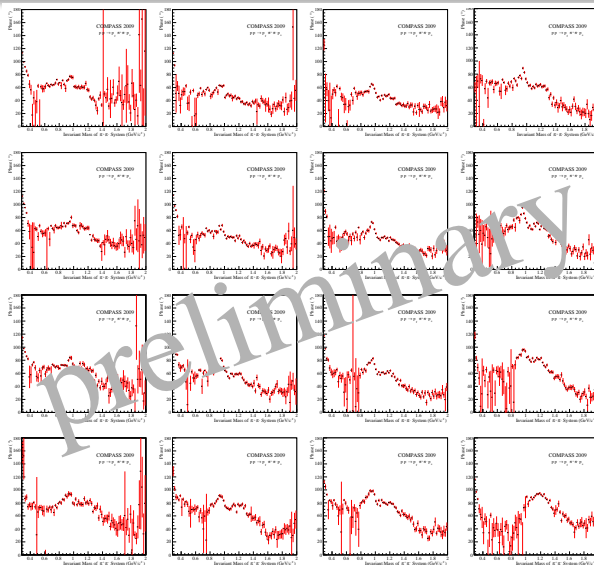
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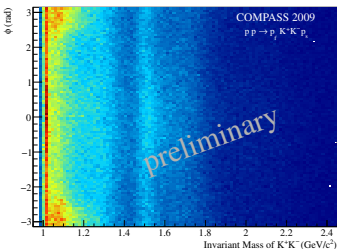
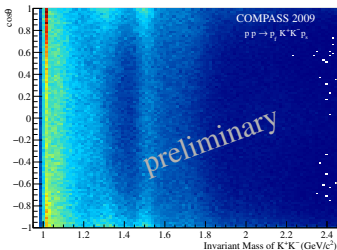
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 $S_0^- - D_0^-$


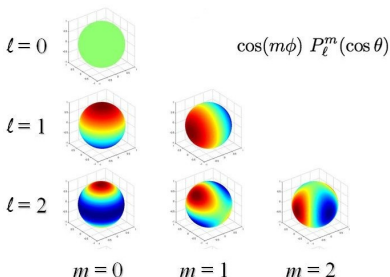


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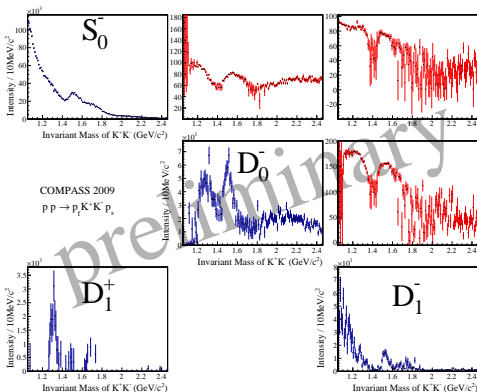
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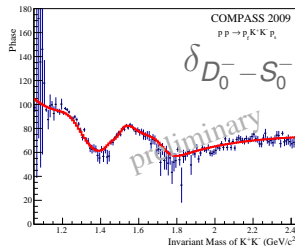
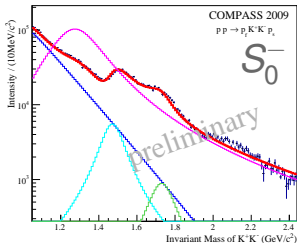


- Similar partial-wave analysis of K^+K^- -system
- Odd waves do not play a significant role above the $\phi(1020)$ -mass
 \Rightarrow Reduction of ambiguities



Mass-Dependence of K^+K^-

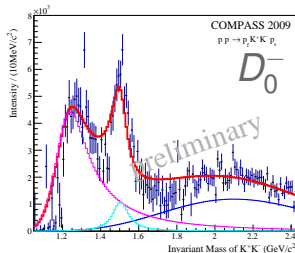
$f_0(1370)$
 $f_0(1500)$
 $f_0(1710)$



BW contributions
 non-resonant contribution
 coherent sum

Interference of S and D

distinguish resonances from
 non-resonant contribution



$f_2(1270)$
 $f_2'(1525)$



COMPASS is a unique experiment to study
light-quark hadron spectroscopy

- **Large samples** and **precision data** outperform previous experiments
- **Novel analysis schemes** provide insight in hadron dynamics



$I^G(J^{PC})$ (R1/2) ^a	ℓ^b	$I^G(J^{PC})$ (R2/1) ^a	$I^G(J^{PC})$ (Final State) ^c
$\rho 1^+(1^{--})$	0 0 1 1	$\mathbb{P} 0^+(2^{++})$	$\pi\pi \rightarrow 1^+(1^{--}, 3^{--})$ $4\pi \rightarrow 1^+(1^{+-}, 2^{+-}, 3^{+-})$ $\ell = 1$ does not couple to $\pi\pi$ $4\pi \rightarrow 1^+(0^{+-}, 1^{+-}, 2^{+-}, 3^{+-}, 4^{+-})$
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$b_1(1235)$ $1^+(1^{+-})$	0 0 1 1	\mathbb{P} $0^+(2^{++})$	$\ell = 0$ does not couple to $\pi\pi$ $4\pi \rightarrow 1^+(1^{+-}, 2^{+-}, 3^{+-})$ $\pi\pi \rightarrow 1^+(1^{--}, 3^{--})$ $4\pi \rightarrow 1^+(0^{--}, 1^{--}, 3^{--}, 4^{--})$



Regge-domain formula for $a + b \rightarrow 1 + 3 + 2$:

$$s_{13} s_{23} = s w_3^2 \quad \text{where } \sqrt{s_{13}} = \sqrt{s_{23}} \text{ and } w_3 = 2.0 \text{ GeV.}$$

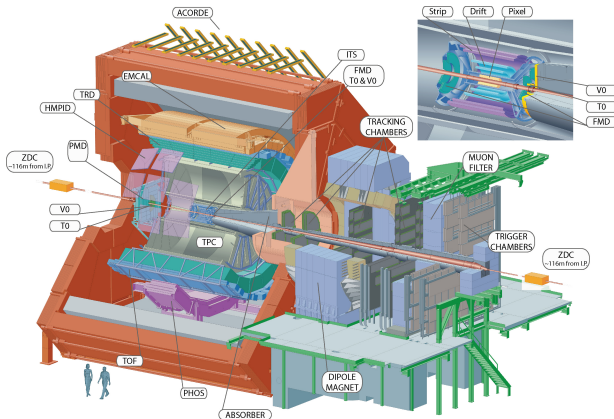
$$R = \sigma_{\text{tot}}[\rho(770)]/\sigma_{\text{tot}}(\text{Pomeron})$$

Experiment	Beam	Target Beam	p_{beam} (GeV/c)	\sqrt{s} (GeV)	R (%)	$\sqrt{s_{13}}$ (GeV)
COMPASS[b]	p	p	190	18.9	2.9	6.15
ALICE[e]	p	p	3500×3500	7000	2.5×10^{-3}	118

[b] A. Austregesilo, (The COMPASS Collaboration), Blois 2013.

[e] Taesoo Kim/Yonsei Univeristy, Seoul, Korea (not released).

See also the talk of [Mike Albrow](#) for his work at FermiLab

Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A 766 (2014):
pages 19 – 21; pages 259 – 262; pages 288 – 291; pages 292 – 295

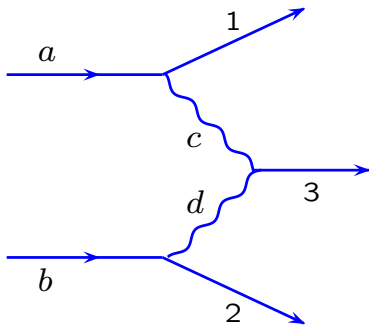
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$$a + b \rightarrow 1 + 3 + 2$$



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- Introduction:

$pp \rightarrow p + (\pi^+\pi^-) + p$ at 7 TeV 46,000 events (2010 data)

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$pp \rightarrow p + (\pi^+\pi^-) + p$ at 13–14 TeV (More data from 2015 and beyond)

- No Roman pots for ALICE

Assume equal momentum transfers, i.e. $-t_c = -t_d$, with exponential distributions and fix the one unknown parameter so as to maximize the probability of observation.

Now, in fact, we have all the momenta for $a + b \rightarrow 1 + 3 + 2$

ALICE Let $\vec{\kappa}$ be the 2-dimensional vector perpendicular to the beam axis and set

$$-t_c = \kappa_1^2 \quad \text{and} \quad -t_d = \kappa_2^2$$

$$\vec{\kappa}_1 = -\frac{1}{2} \vec{\kappa}_3, \quad \vec{\kappa}_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \vec{\kappa}_3 \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{\kappa}_1 + \vec{\kappa}_2 + \vec{\kappa}_3 = 0$$



- Since we have all the momenta in the problem, we can reliably choose the **quantization axis** to be the **exchange axis** in the 3RF; this is the proper quantization axis and the correct rest-frame (RF) for **double-Pomeron** exchange processes.
- Events with double-gap topology are contained in the data sample taken with a minimum bias trigger. Double-gap events can hence be analyzed offline from the minimum bias data sample.
- Work is ongoing in ALICE to test the implementation of a hardware double-gap trigger at L0 level. This trigger requires minimum activity in the SPD (Silicon Pixel Detector) in the central barrel, and no activity in the detectors V0 (A and C) and AD (A and C).



Thank you for your attention