

**Recent result of an exclusive measurement
of ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$ reaction
to search for $\bar{K}NN$ bound state at J-PARC**

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INTRODUCTION

Recent status of $\bar{K}NN$ bound state searching

Result of E15-1st

Kaonic Nuclei and $\bar{K}NN$ bound state

◆ Kaonic nuclei

▶ What's this?

- Bound state of anti-kaon and nucleus

▶ What's interest?

- $\bar{K}N$ interaction in the sub-threshold region

◆ $\bar{K}NN$ bound state

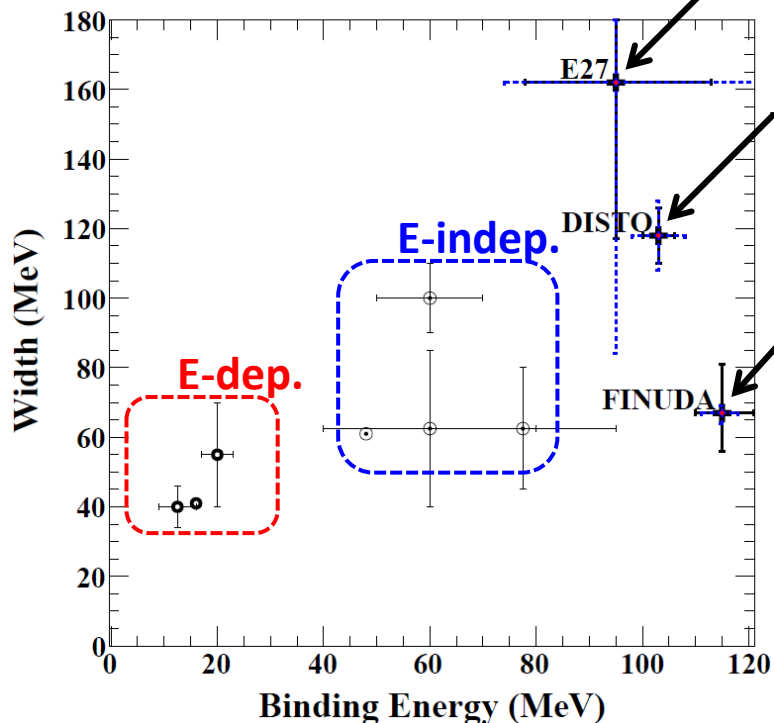
- The simplest kaonic nucleus
 - » So-called K^-pp bound state

Recent status of K^-pp bound state

Recent results

Theoretical calc.

KbarN interaction model
E-dep. / E-indep.



Experiments

Reports structure

J-PARC E27
 $d(\pi^+, K^+)X$

DISTO
 $pp \rightarrow \Lambda p K^+$

FINUDA
 (stopped K^- , Λp)

NO structure

LEPS
 $p(\gamma, \pi^- K^+)X$

HADES
 $pp \rightarrow \Lambda p K^+$

K^-pp is still subject to refined experiments.

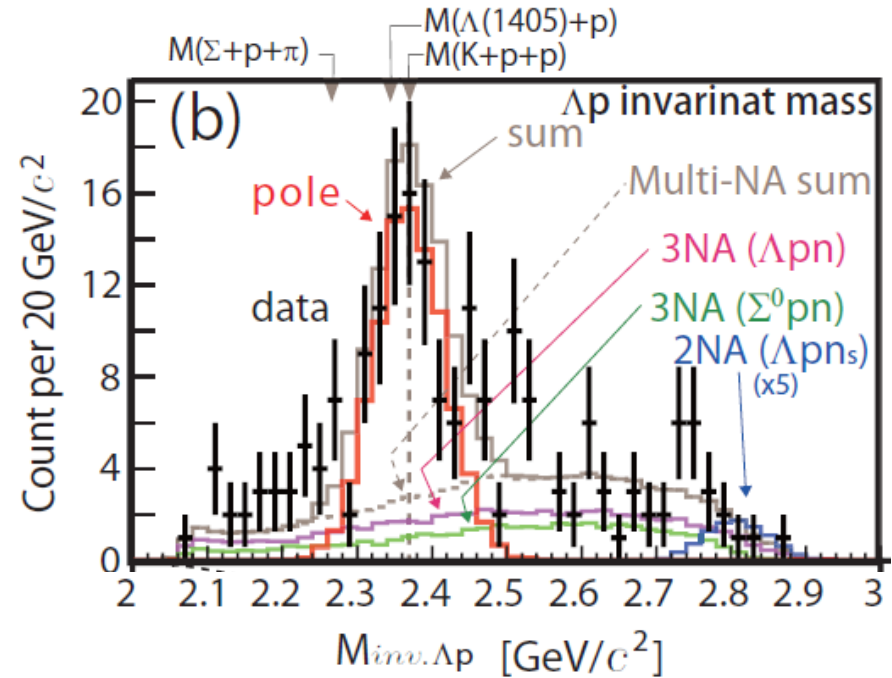
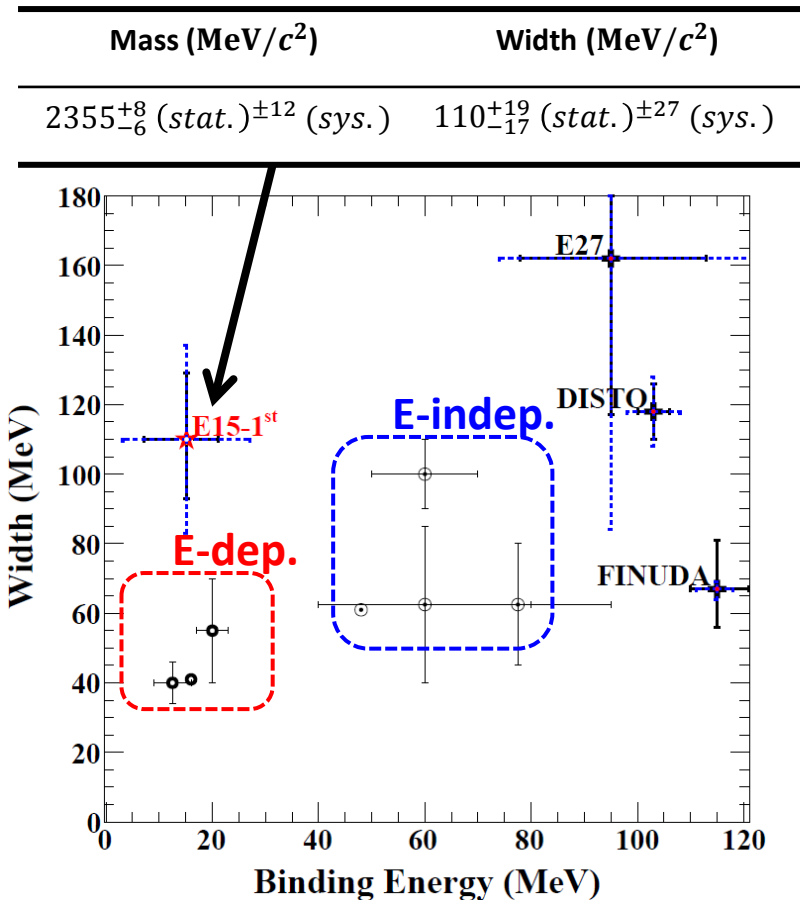
J-PARC E15

Using (in-flight K^- , n) reaction

Recent status of K^-pp bound state

Recent results including E15

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► E15-1st experiment

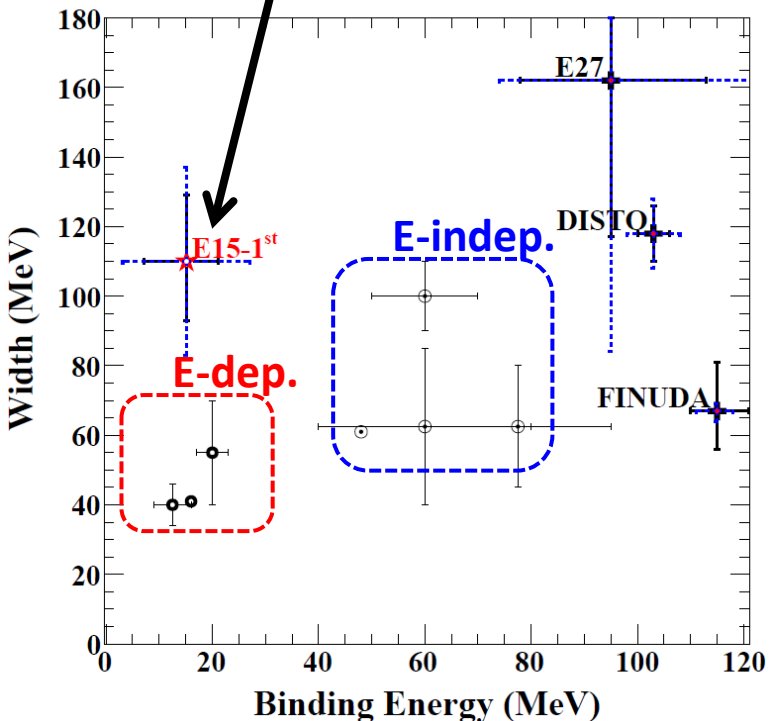
- Λp invariant mass analysis in ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p) n$
- Assuming simple Breit-Wigner

Recent status of K^-pp bound state

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Mass (MeV/ c^2)	Width (MeV/ c^2)
2355_{-6}^{+8} (stat.) $^{+12}$ (sys.)	110_{-17}^{+19} (stat.) $^{+27}$ (sys.)



► E15-1st experiment

- Lack of statistics
- Assuming 1-pole structure



► E15-2nd experiment

- 8-times more K^- -beam
- Dedicated trigger condition
 - » Statistics becomes larger.

More detail analysis can be performed.

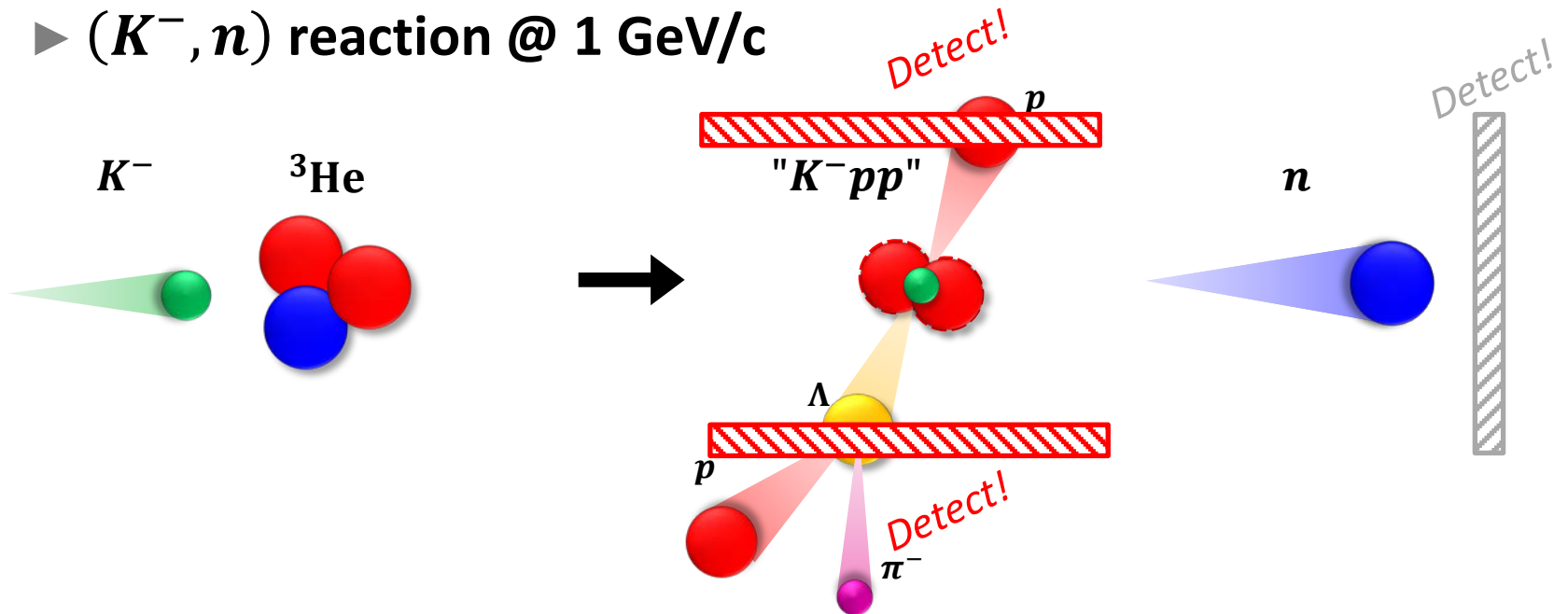
EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

Overview of the J-PARC E15 Experiment

J-PARC E15 Experiment

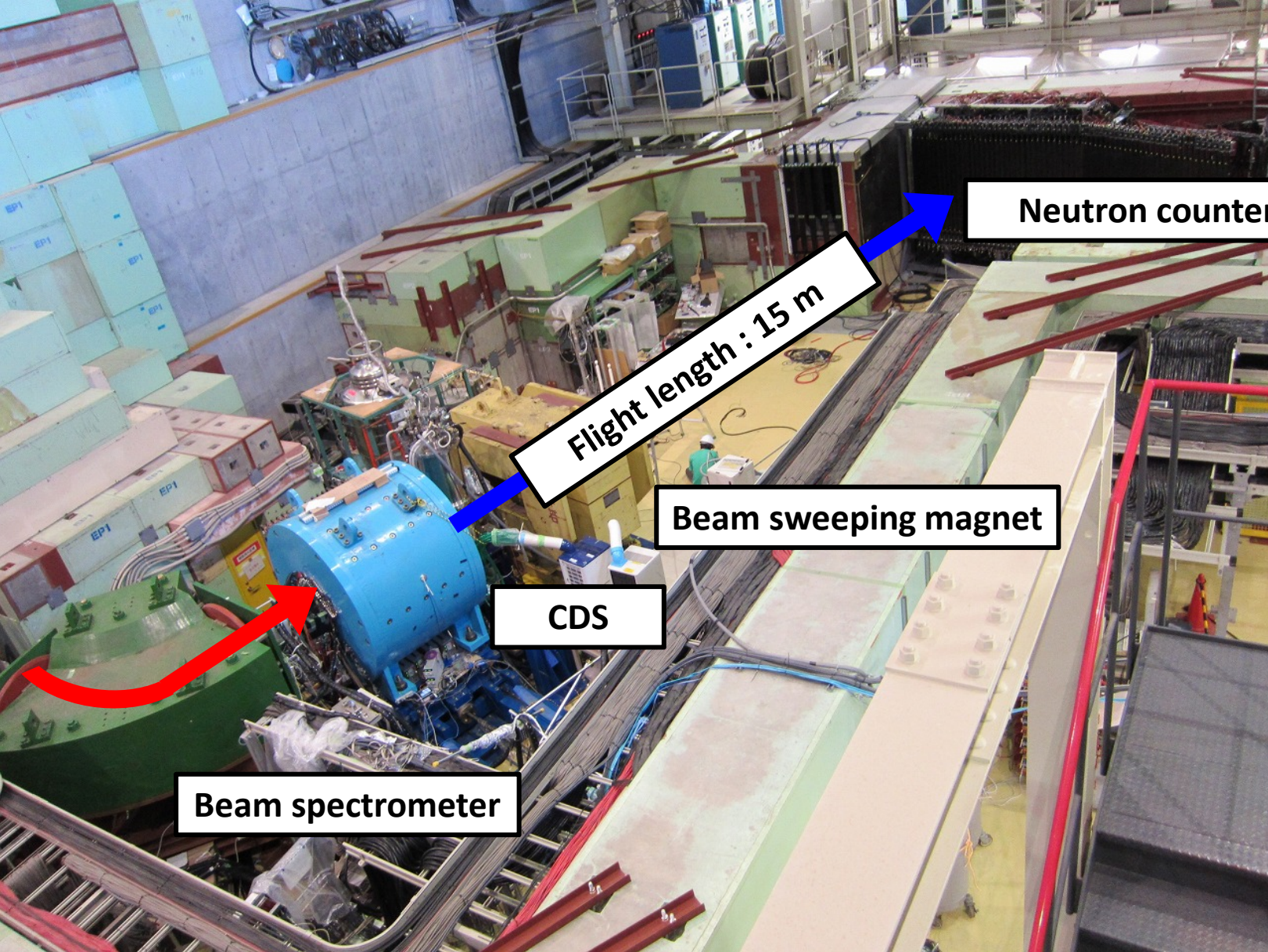
◆ Searching for $K^- pp$

- ▶ (K^-, n) reaction @ 1 GeV/c



- ▶ **Detector for decay particles**
- ▶ Detector for neutron

J-PARC E15 Experiment

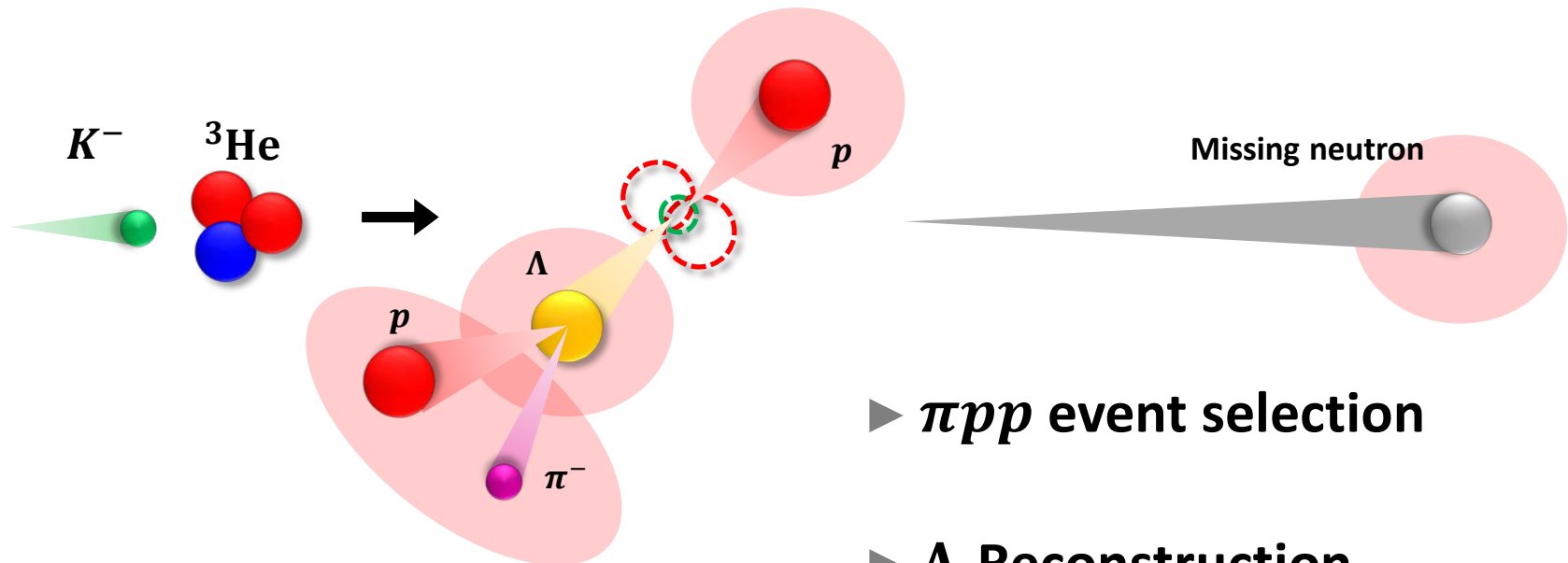


ANALYSIS METHOD

Procedure of the exclusive ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$ analysis

Analysis Overview

◆ Λp invariant mass spectroscopy in ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p) "n"$ reaction

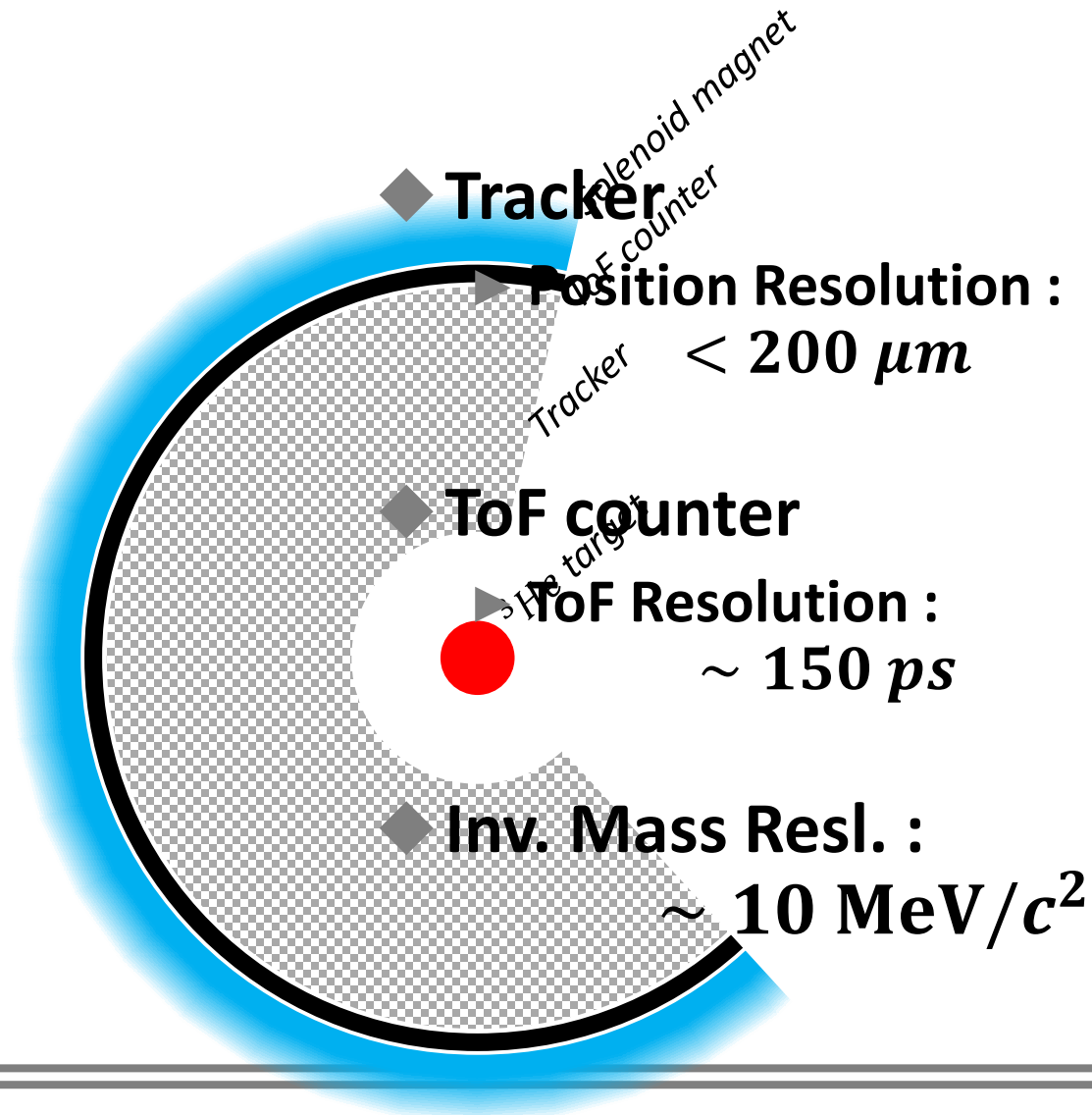


▶ $\pi p p$ event selection

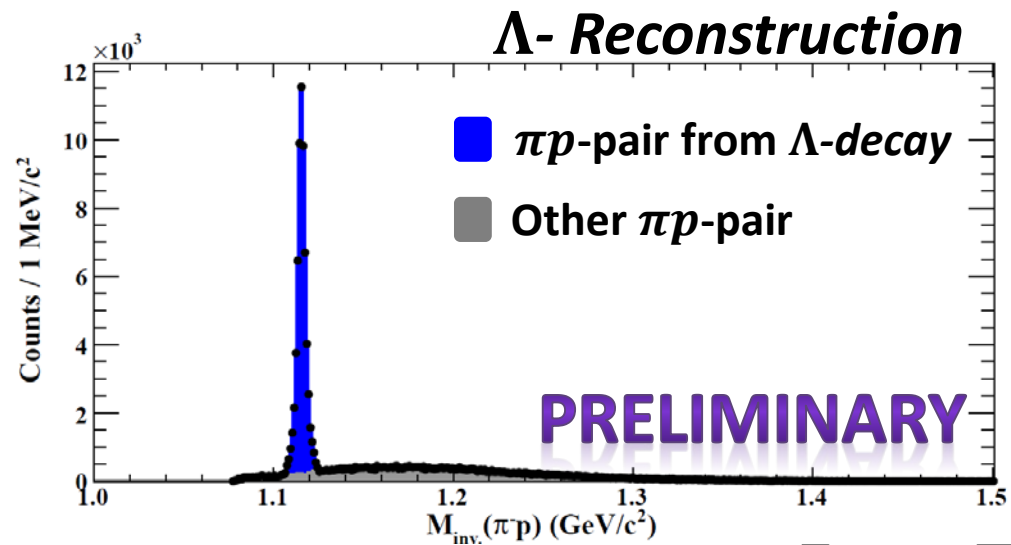
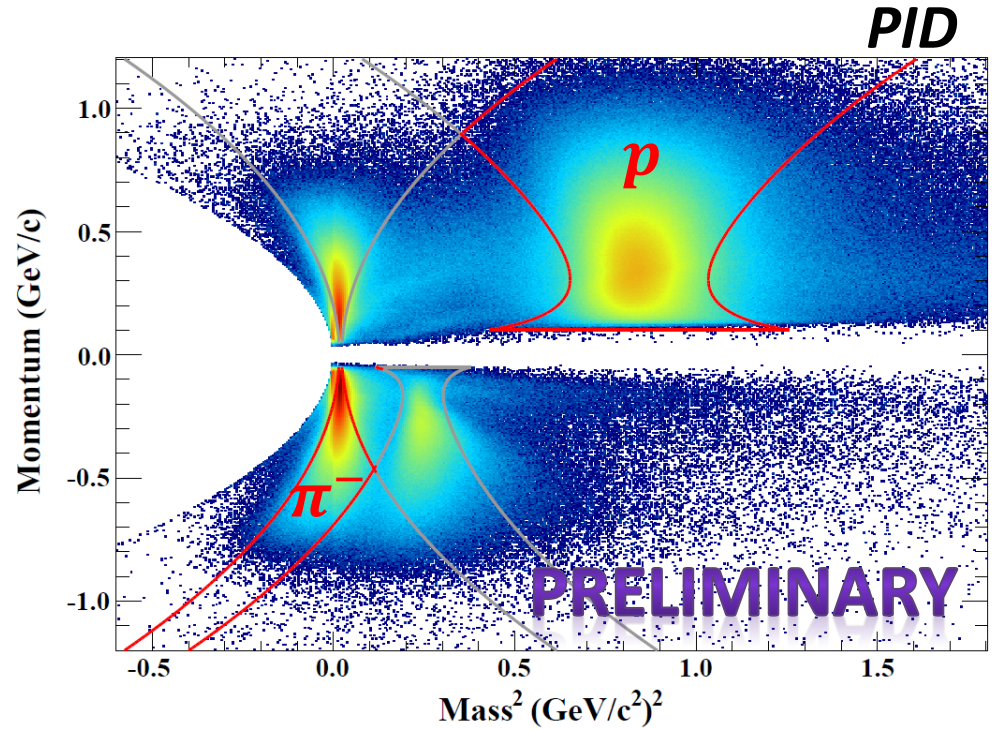
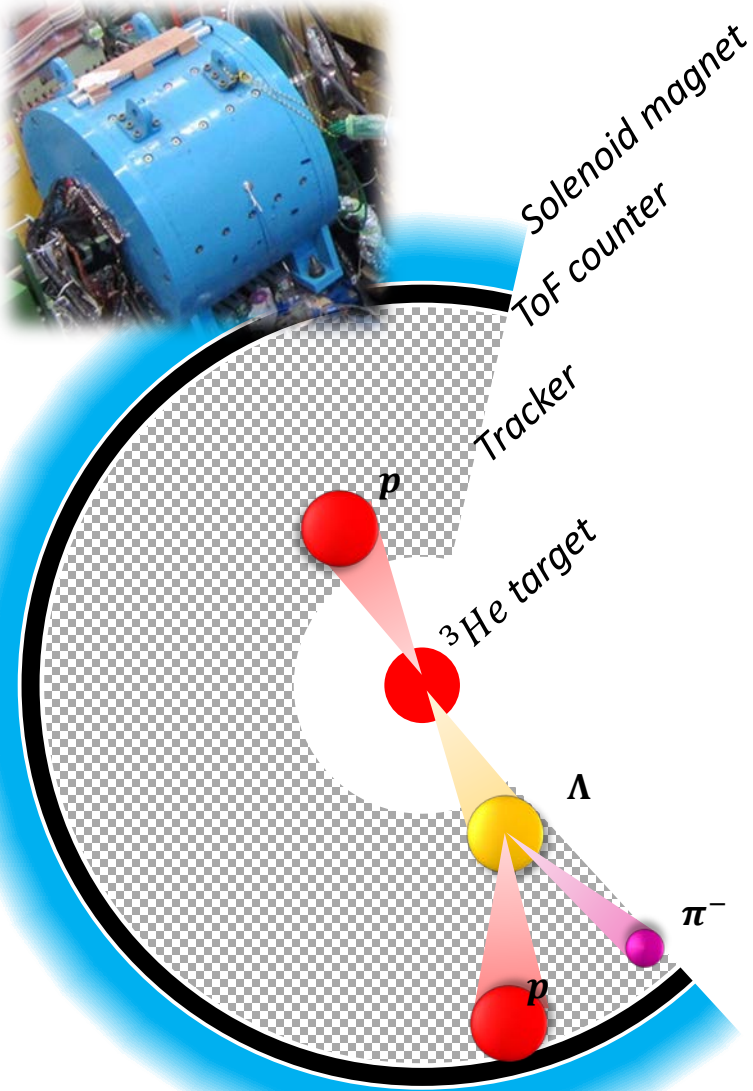
▶ Λ -Reconstruction

▶ Missing neutron selection

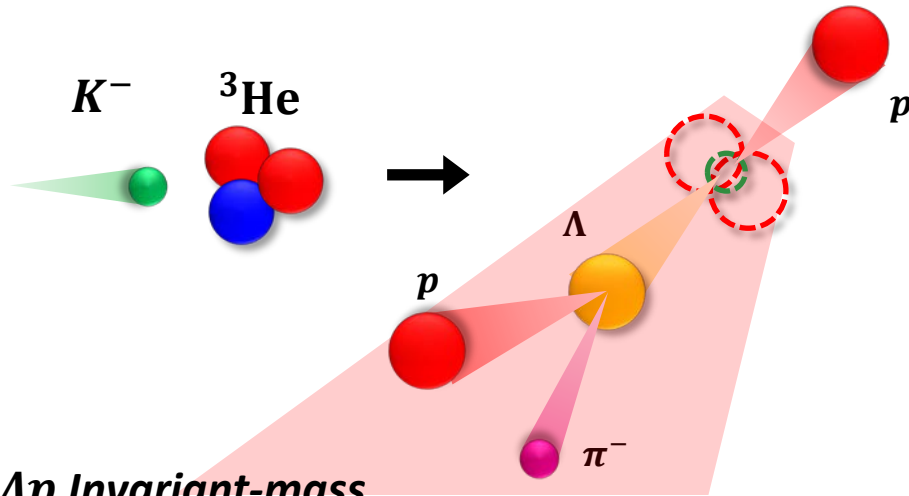
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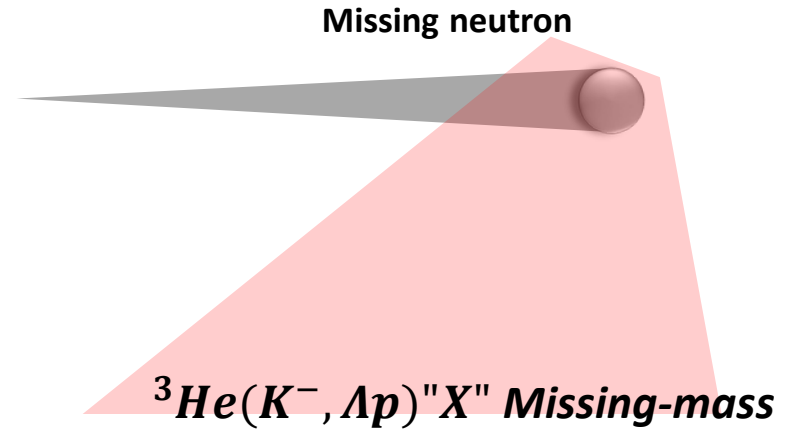
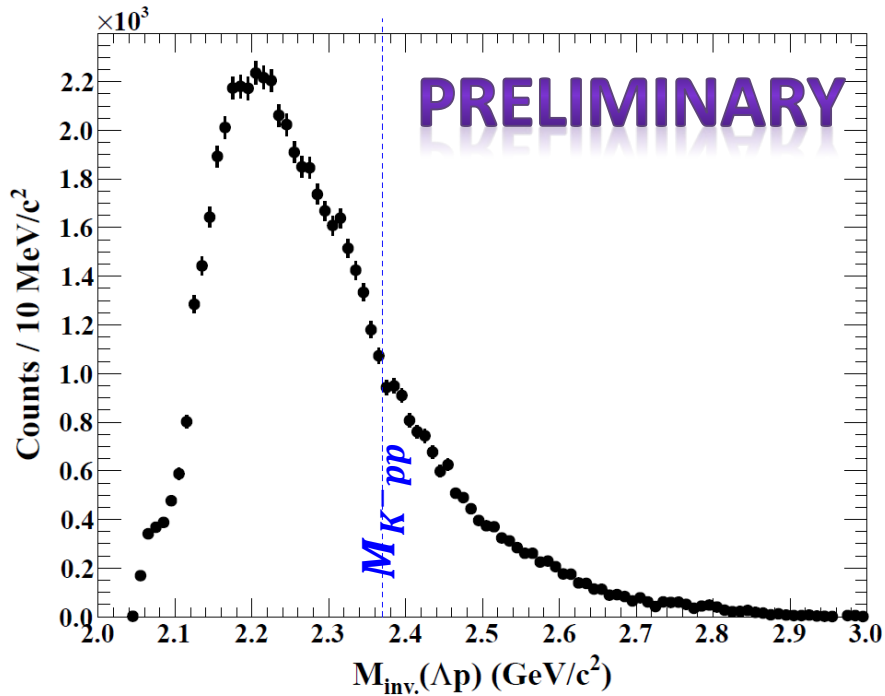
CDS Analysis



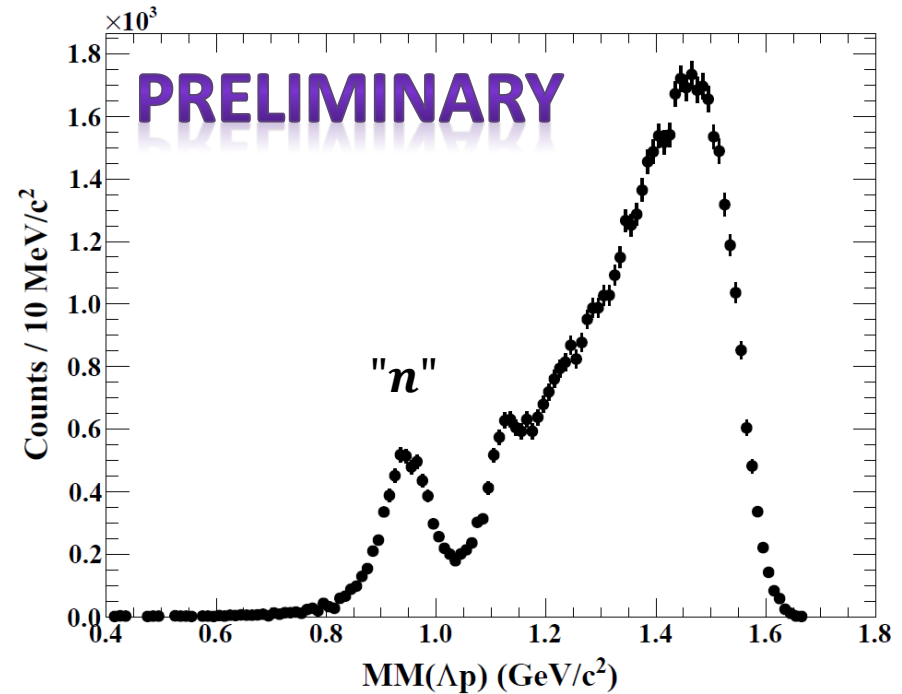
Analyzed Spectrum



Λp Invariant-mass



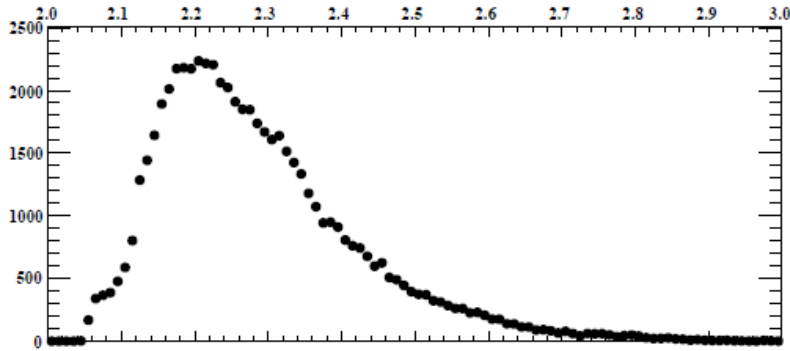
${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p) \text{ "X"}$ Missing-mass



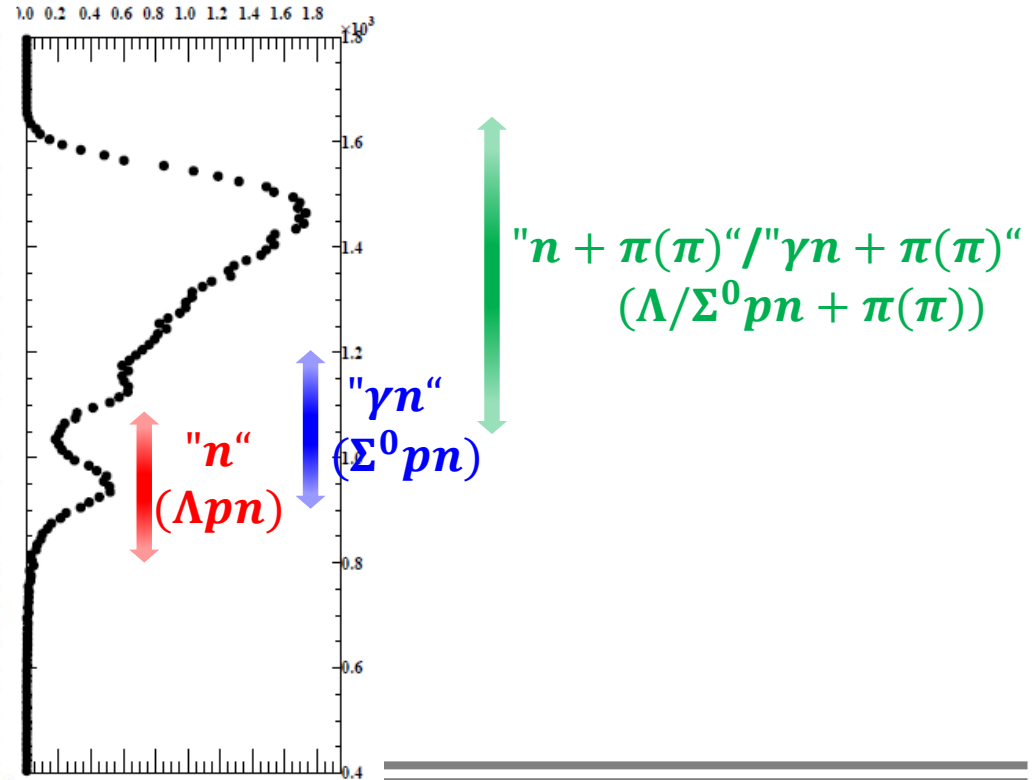
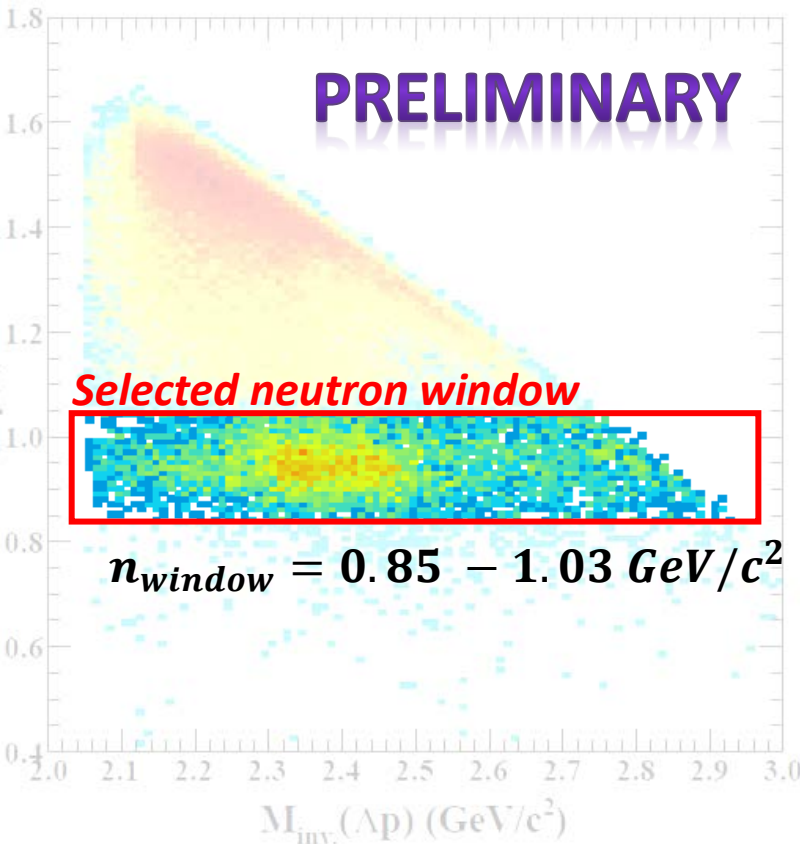
RESULTS

*Results based on E15-2nd physics data taking
About 30 times larger events than E15-1st*

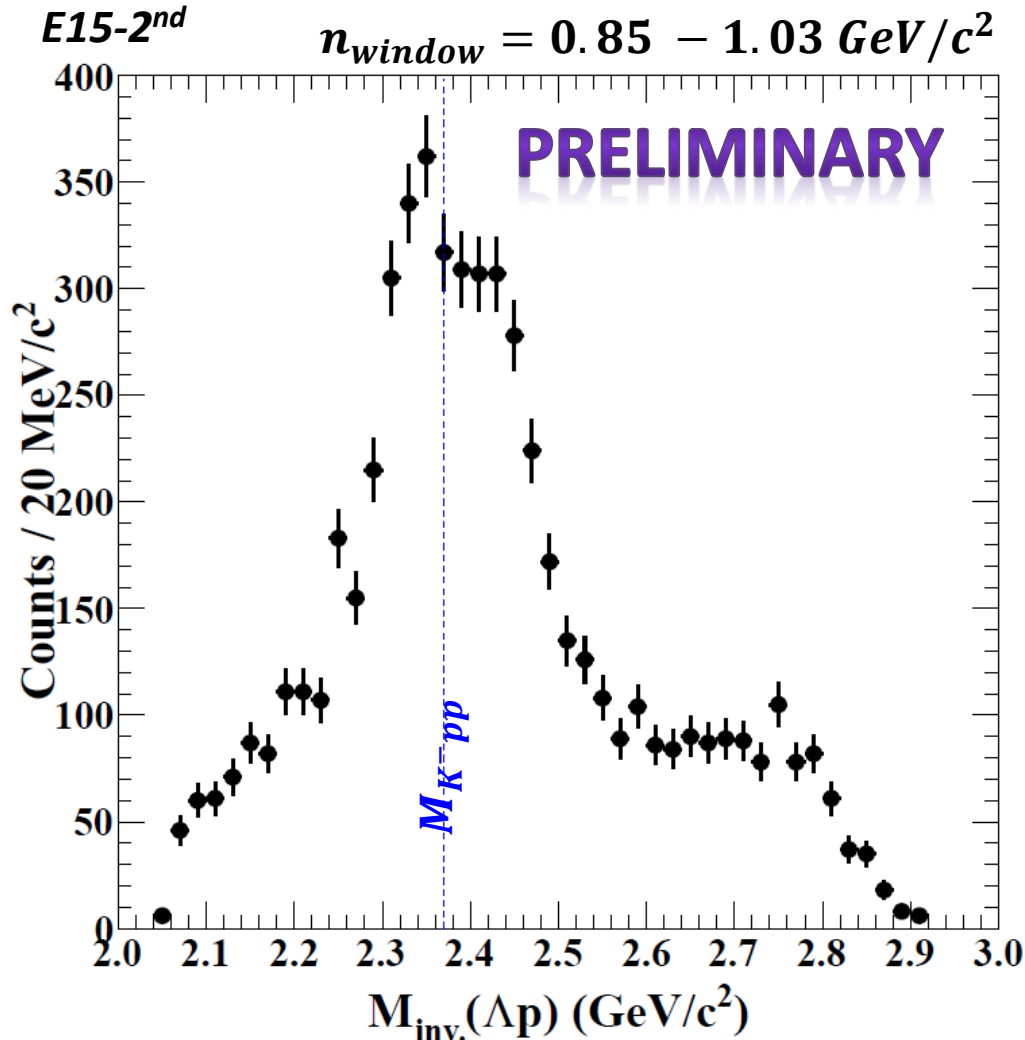
Λp IM vs. MM Plot



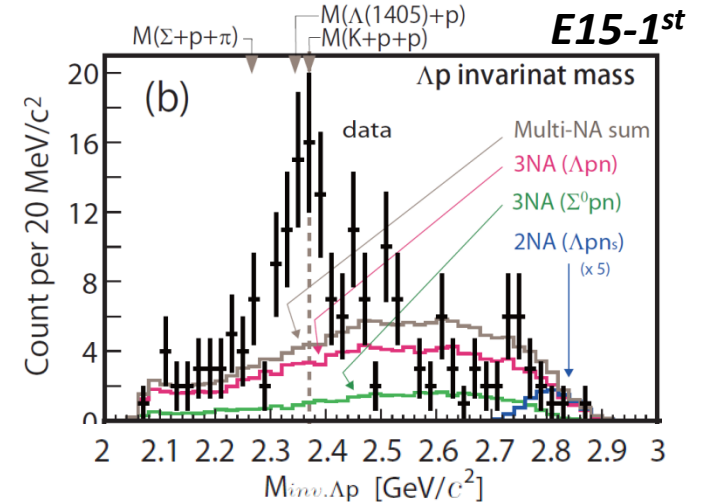
- ◆ Final state identification
 - ▶ Selecting $\Lambda p n$ final state



$IM(\Lambda p)$ in Λpn Final State



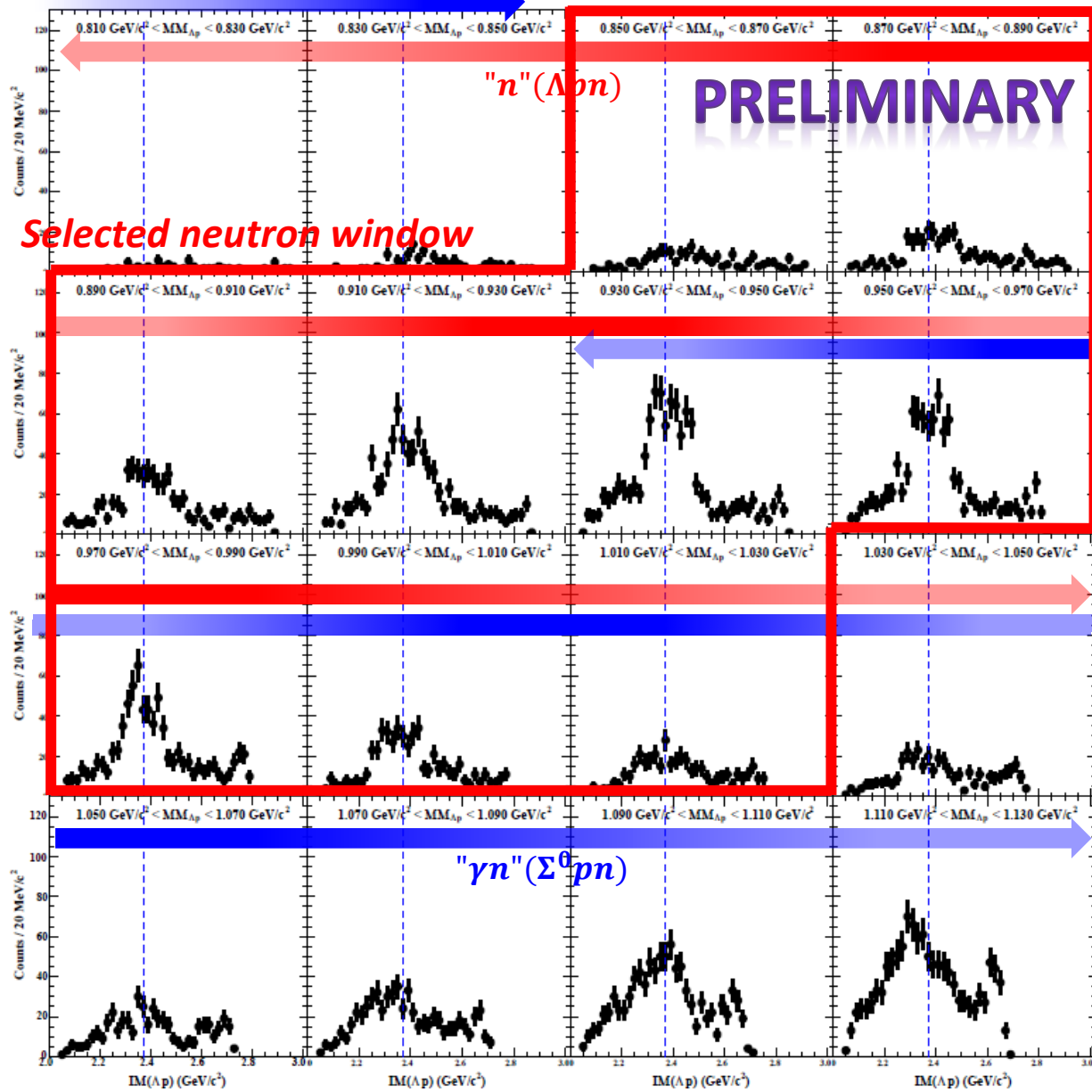
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- ◆ Consistent with the E15-1st result
 - ▶ With in statistics
- ◆ Structure around M_{K^-pp}

$MM(\Lambda p)$ Slice around "n" Region

Lower



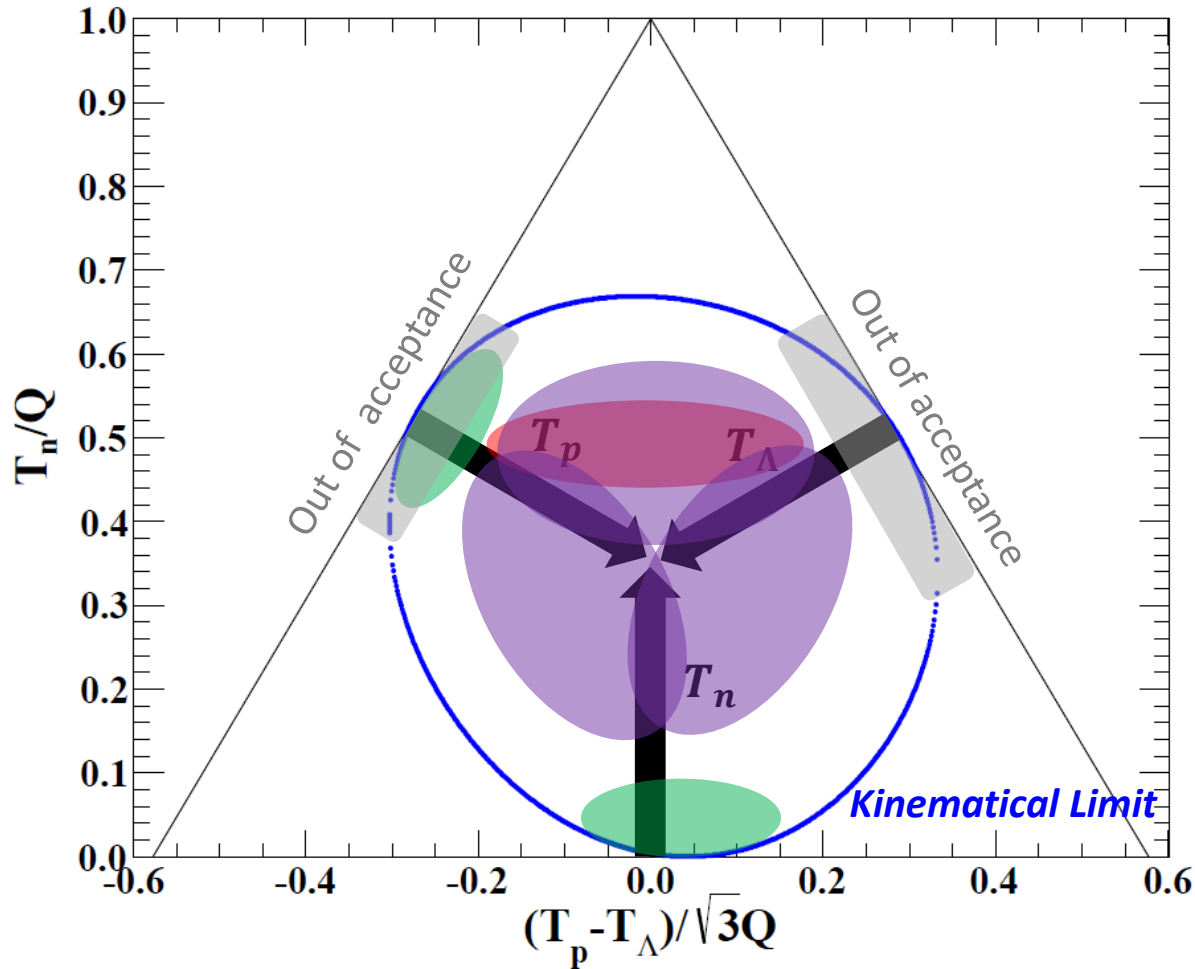
*Sliced with 0.02 GeV/c² bin

◆ Structure around

$$M_{K^- pp}$$

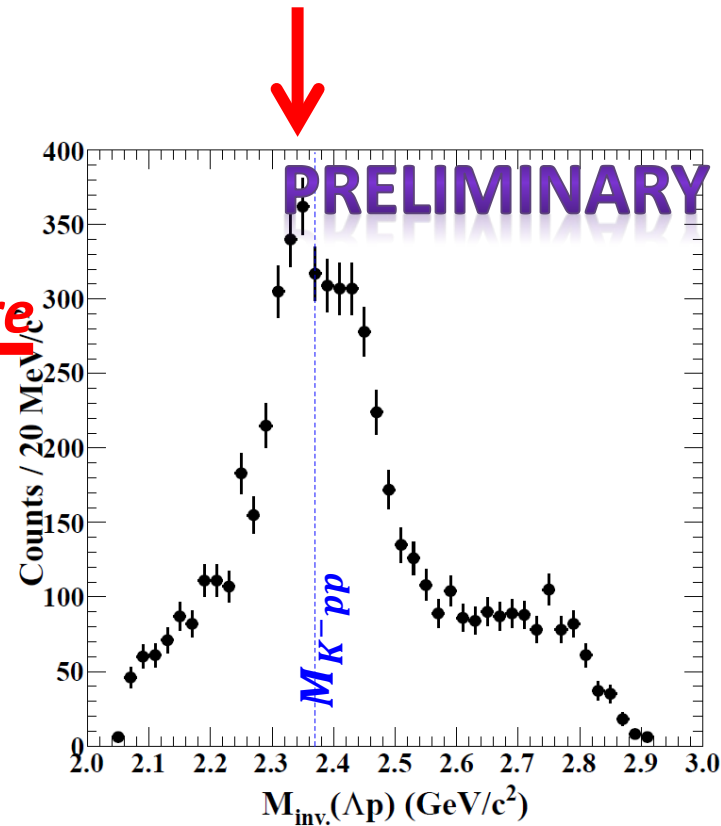
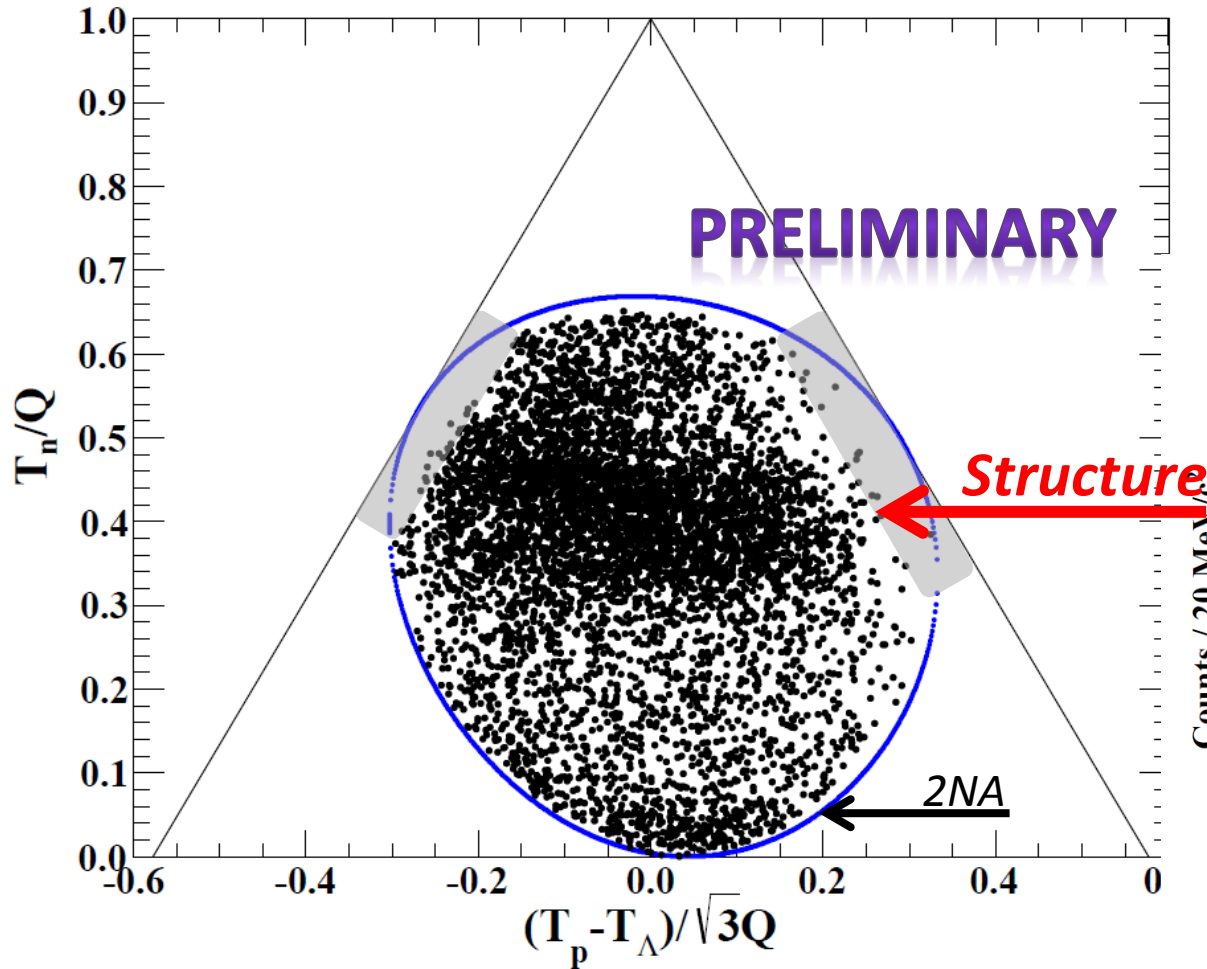
▶ 0.9 – 1.0 GeV/c²

Dalitz Plot of Λpn

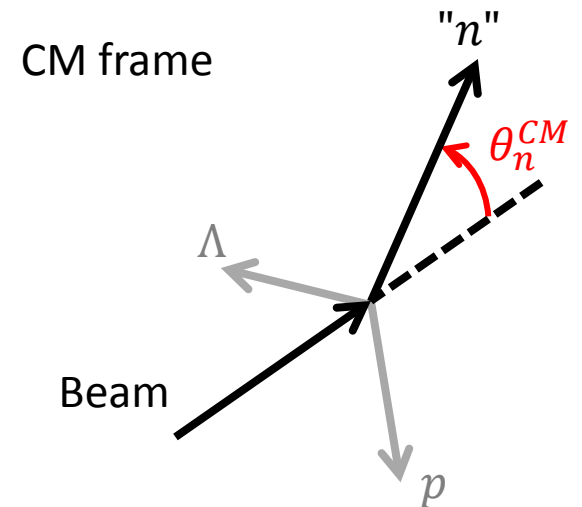
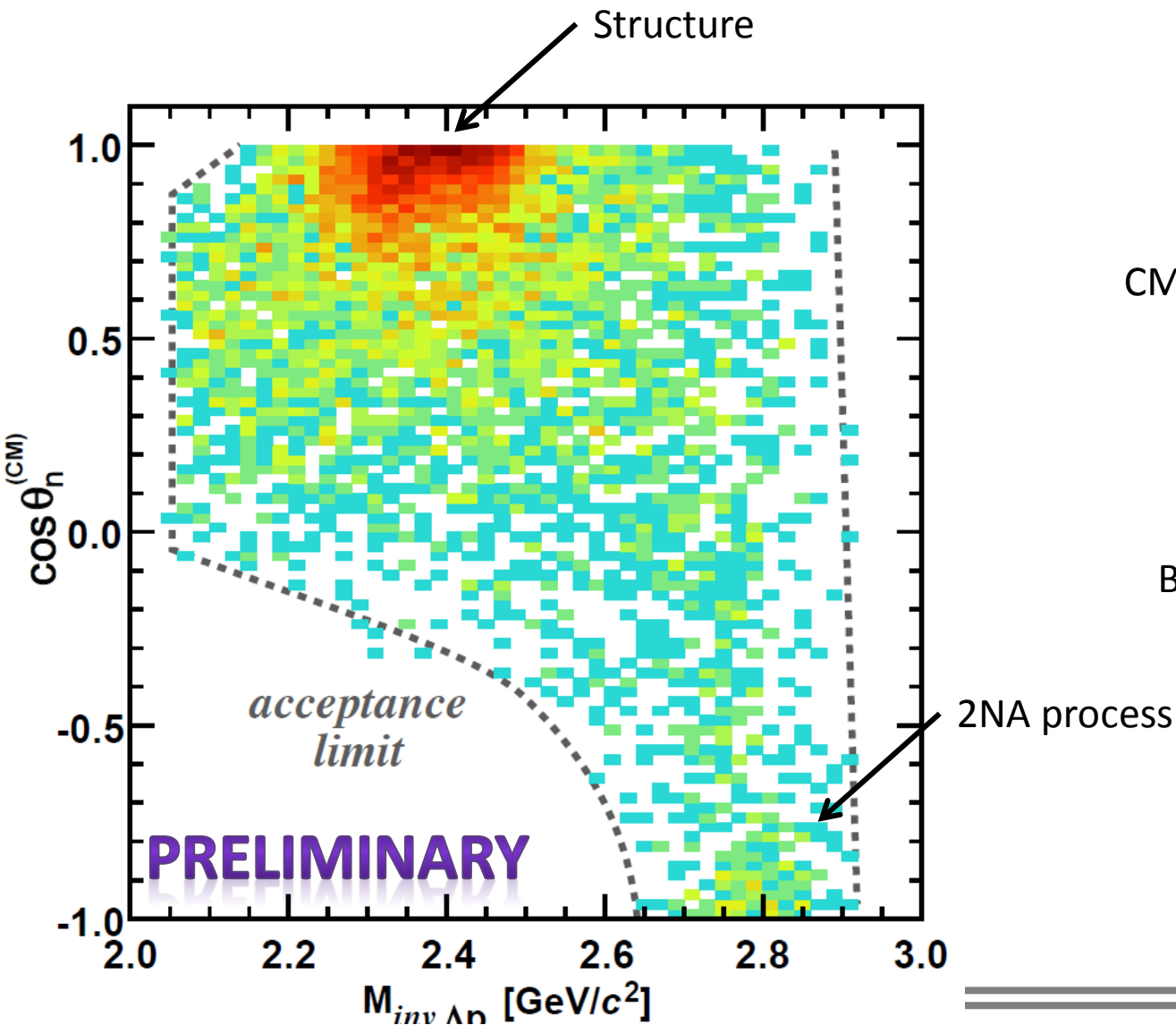


- 3NA process
- $K^- pp$ formation
- 2NA process
- One spectator
- n_{spec} / p_{spec}
- 2-step process

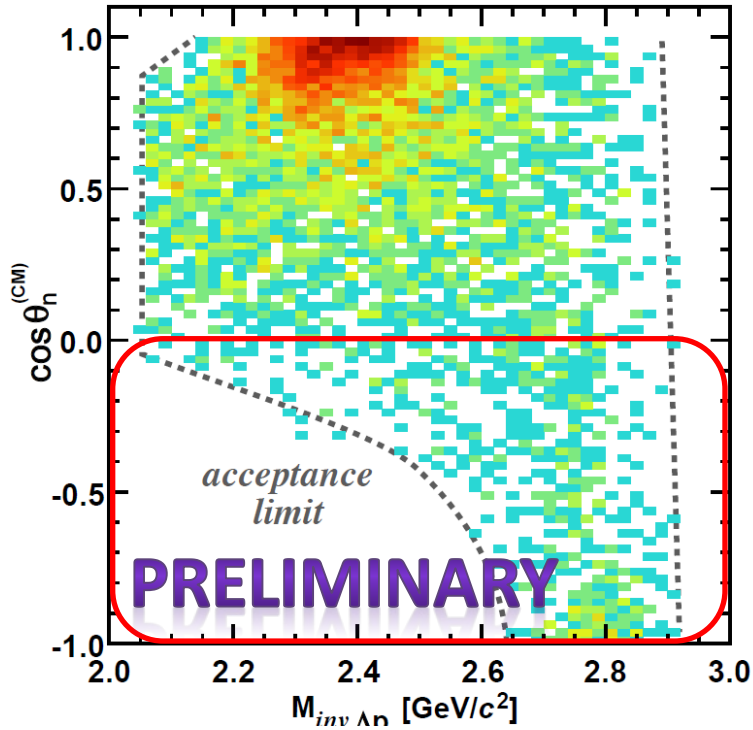
Dalitz Plot of Λpn



$IM(\Lambda p)$ vs. $\cos \theta_n^{CM}$ Plot

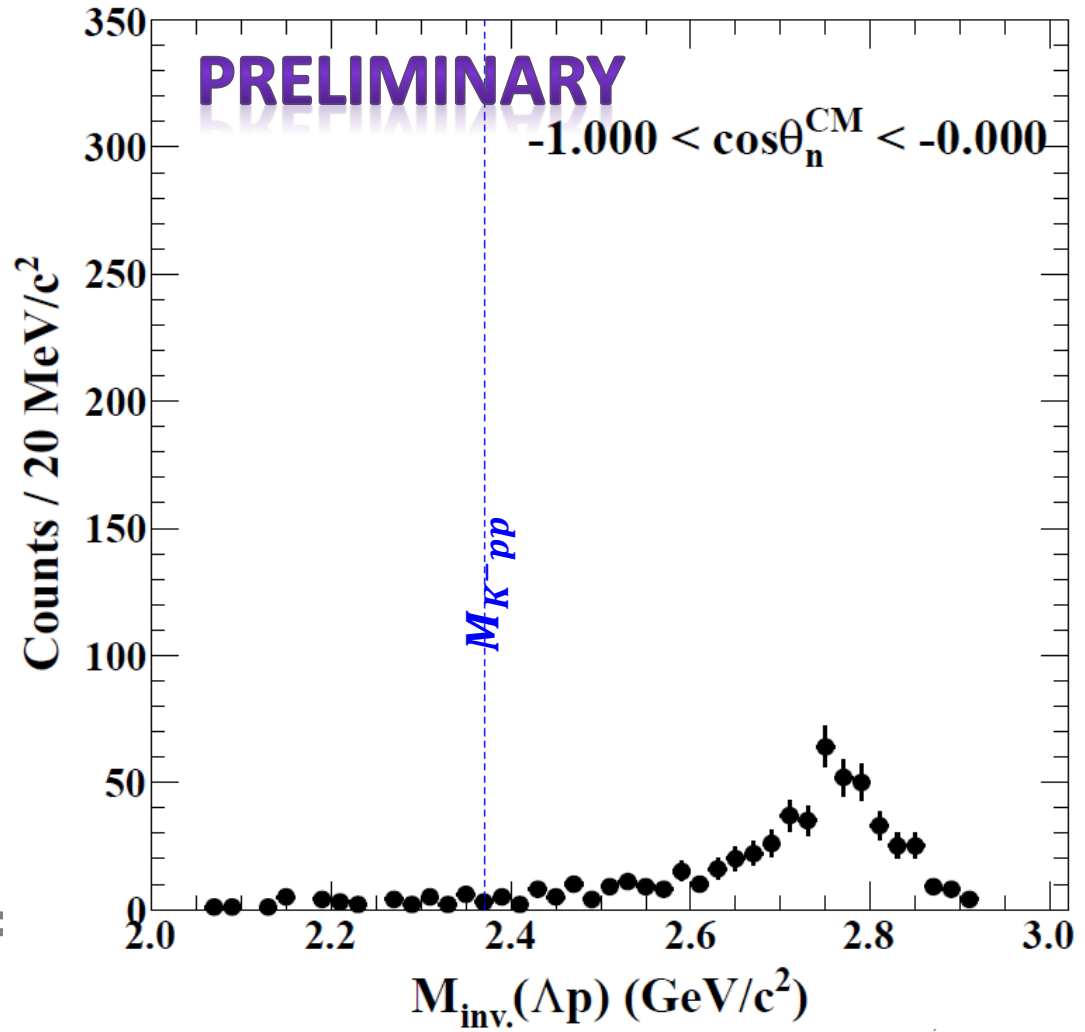


$\cos \theta_n^{CM}$ Sliced $IM(\Lambda p)$

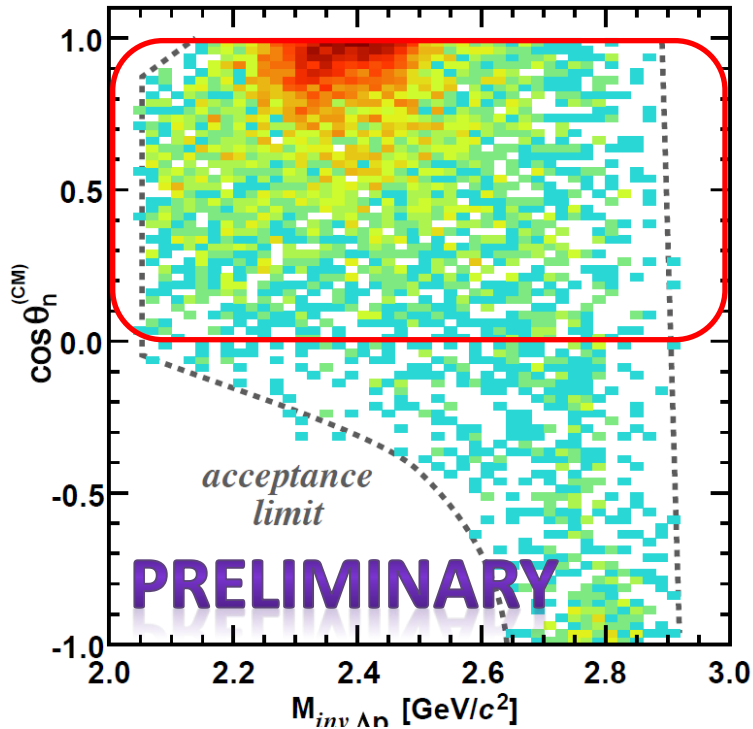


◆ $-1.0 < \cos \theta_n^{CM} < 0.0$

► 2NA process



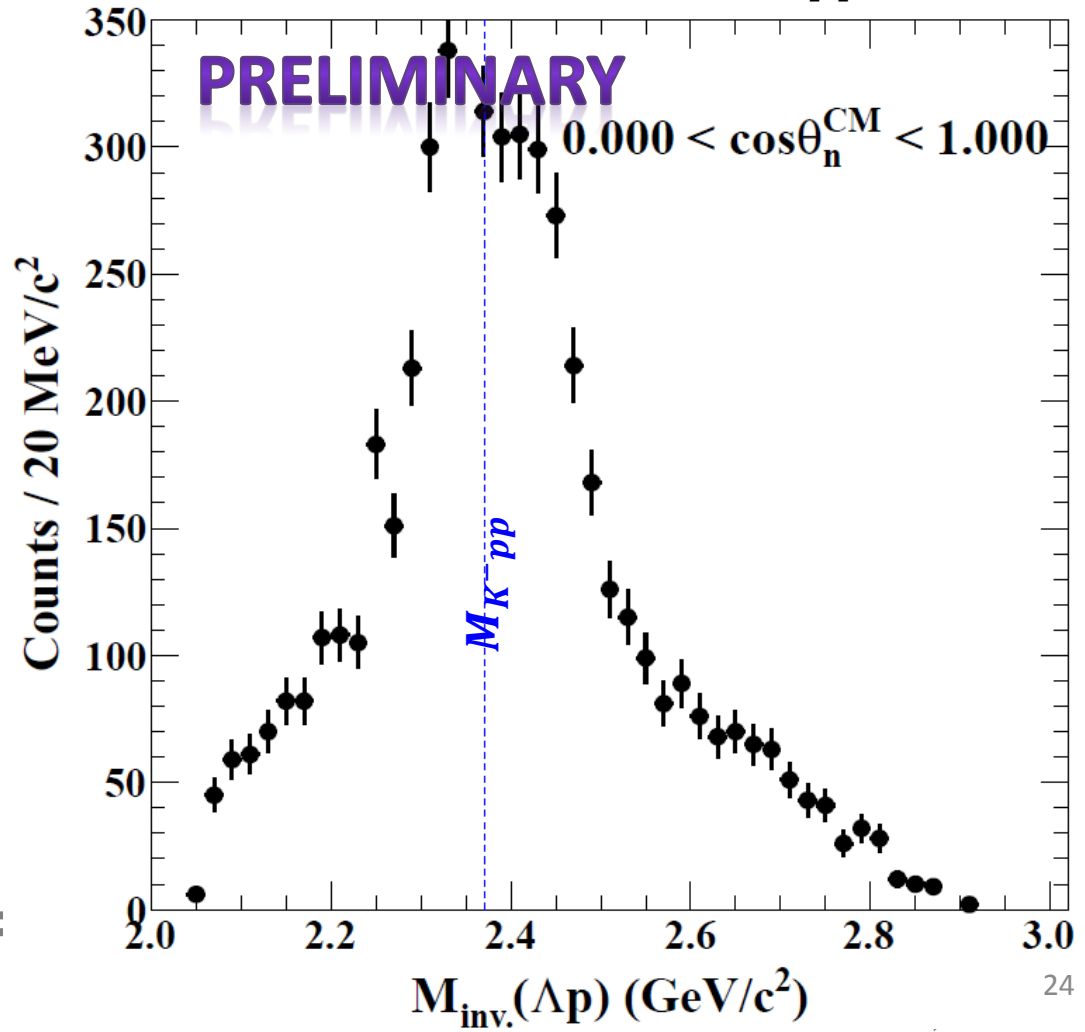
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► To be sliced

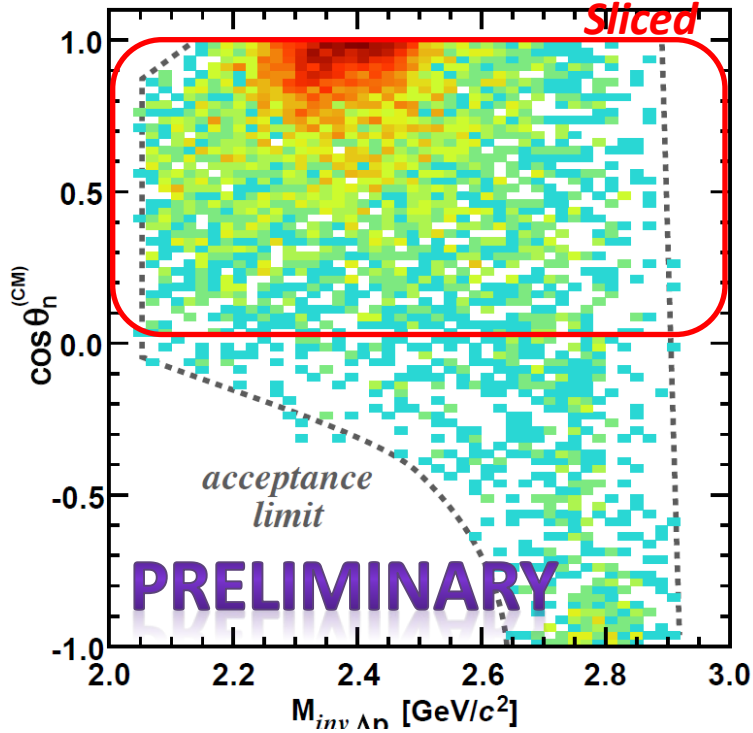
◆ $0.0 < \cos \theta_n^{CM} < 1.0$

► Structure around M_{K^-pp}



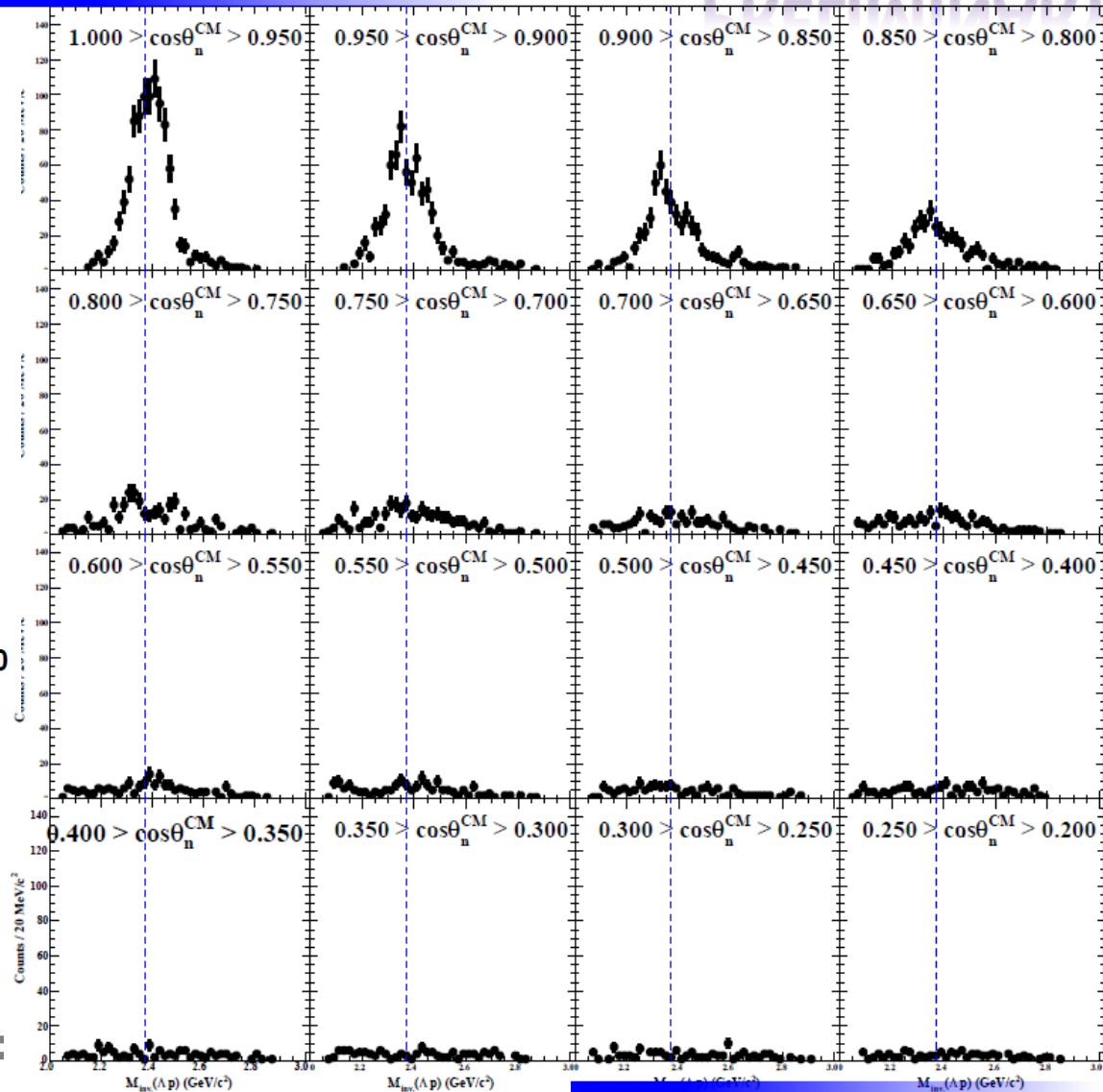
$\cos \theta_n^{CM}$ Sliced $IM(\Lambda p)$

*Sliced with 0.05 bin

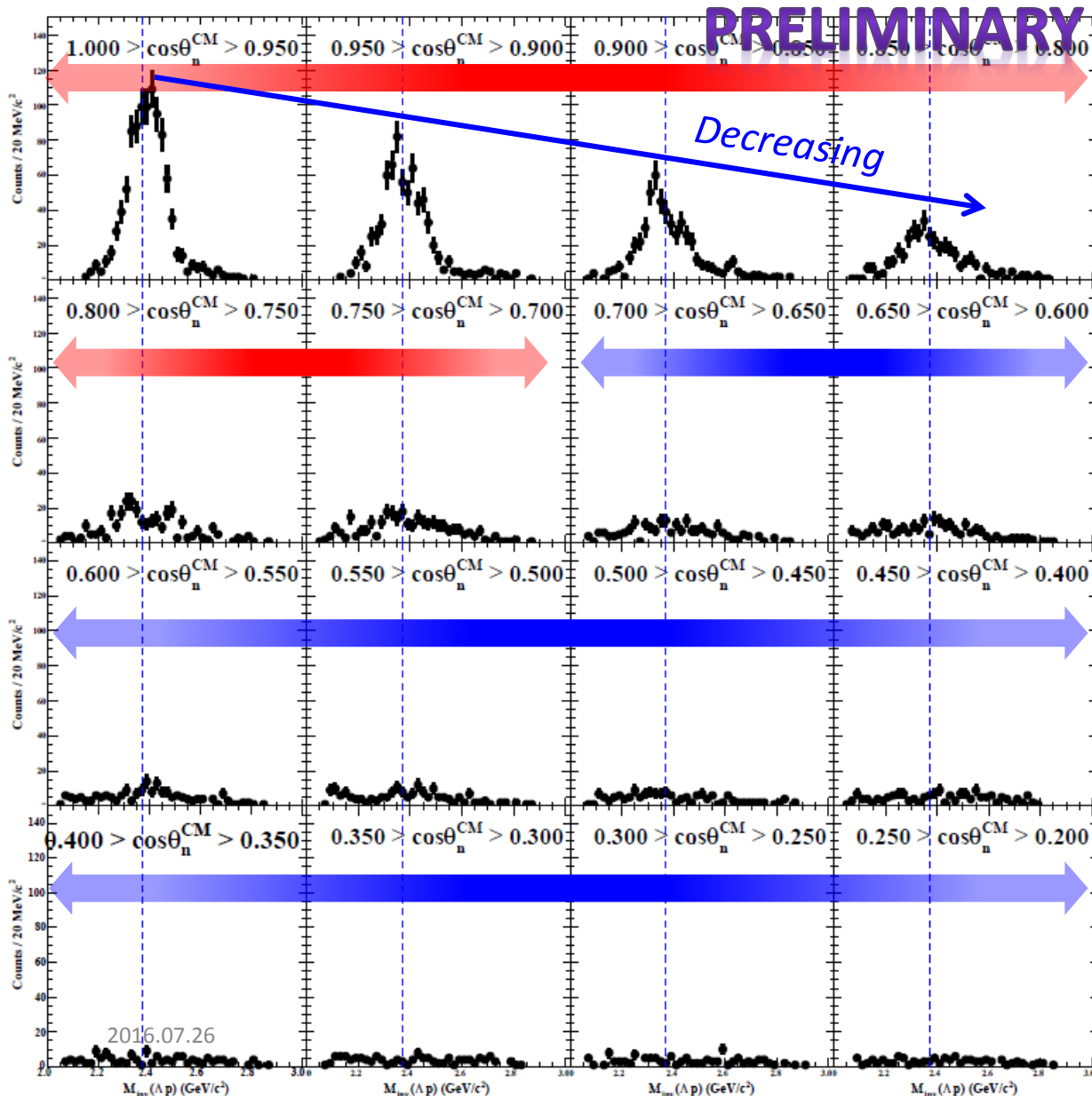


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$\cos \theta_n^{CM}$ Sliced $IM(\Lambda p)$



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◆ Higher Opening angle

- 0.75 – 1.0

▶ Structure observed

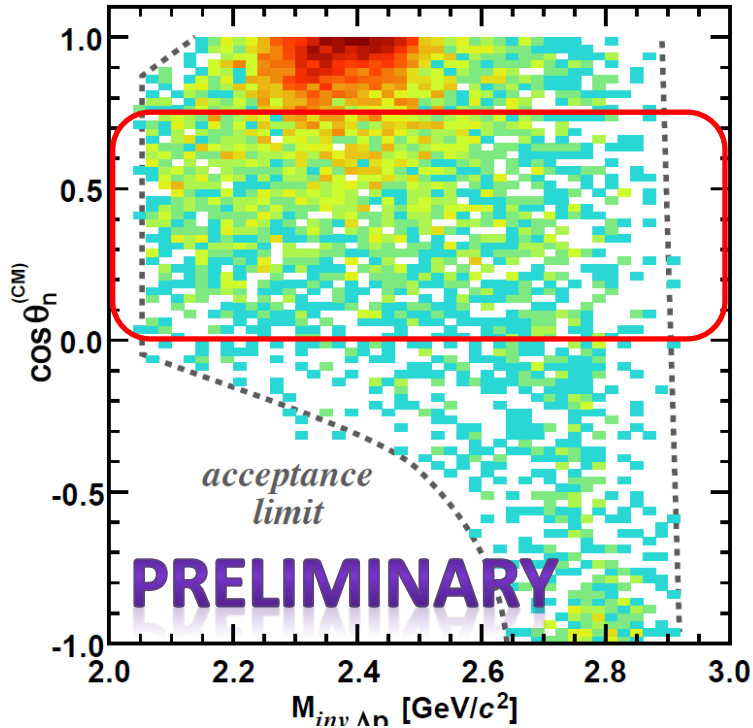
◆ Lower O.A.

- 0 – 0.75

▶ No structure

▶ Small event

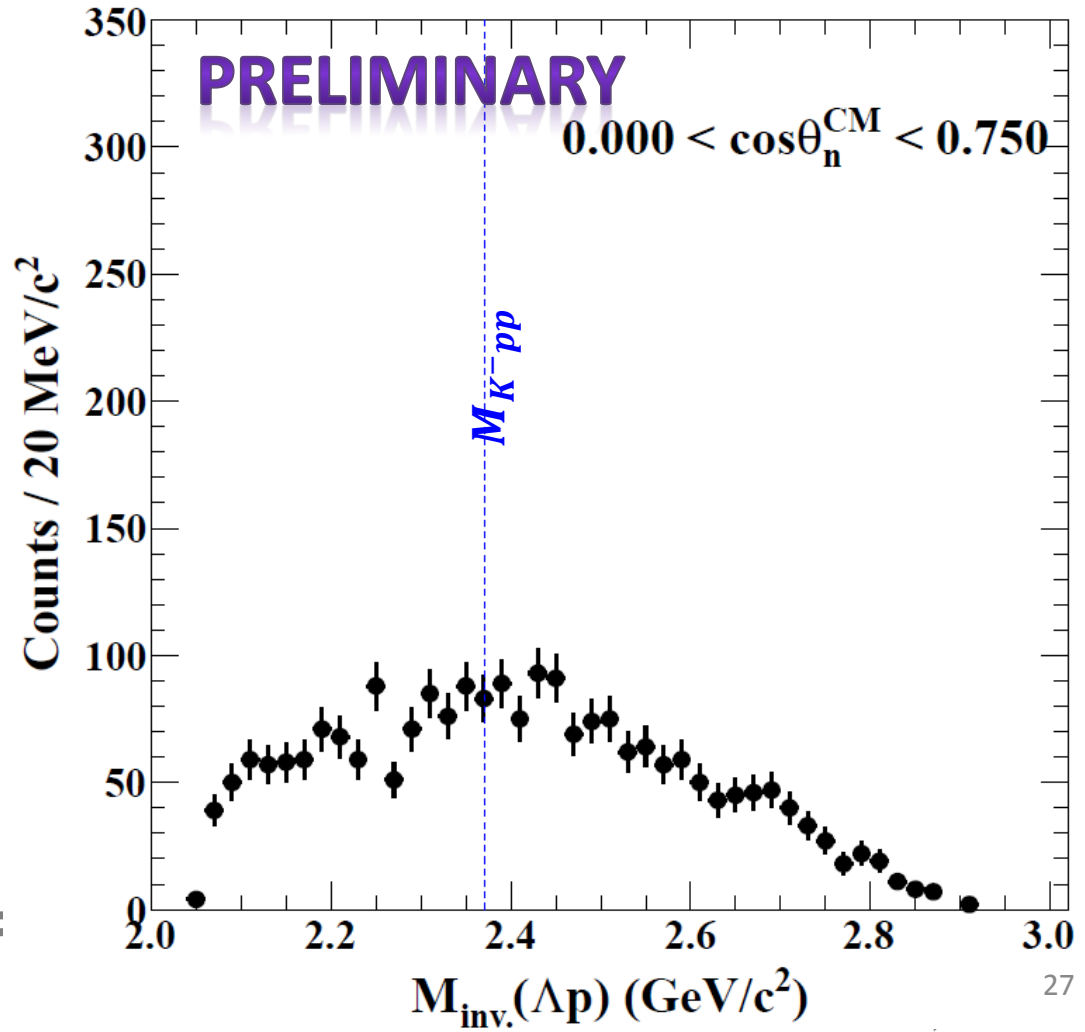
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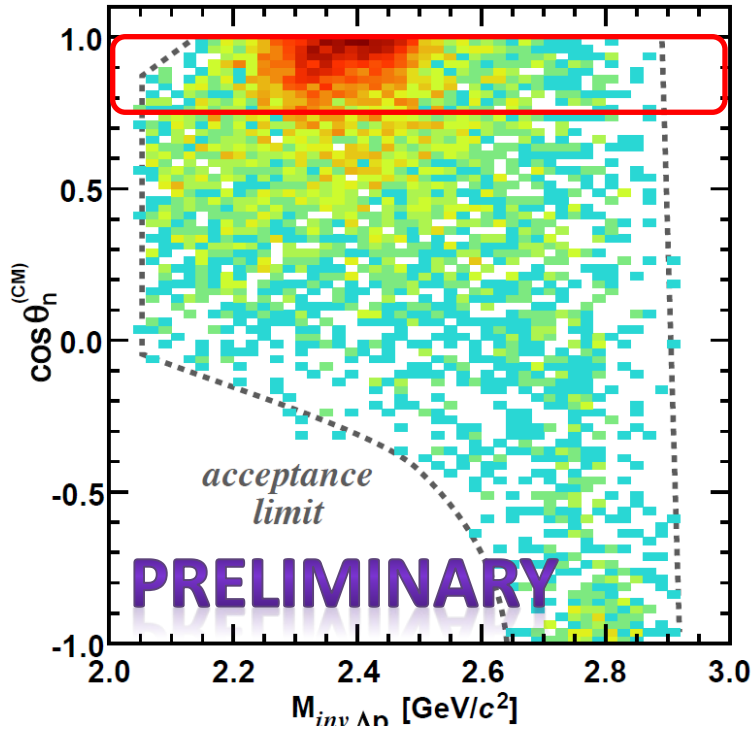
► No Structure

◆ $0.0 < \cos \theta_n^{CM} < 0.75$

► 3NA



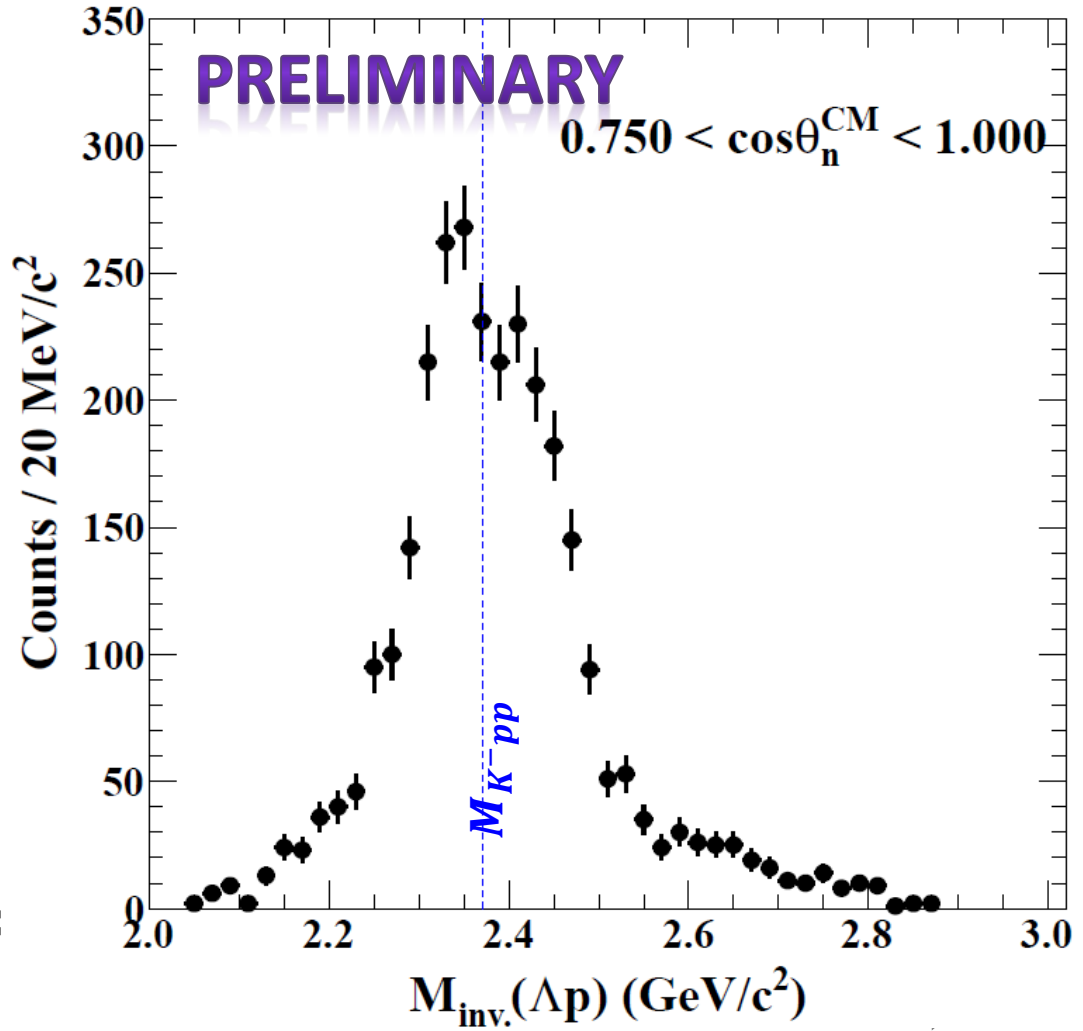
$\cos \theta_n^{CM}$ Sliced $IM(\Lambda p)$



► Structure enhanced

◆ $0.75 < \cos \theta_n^{CM} < 1.0$

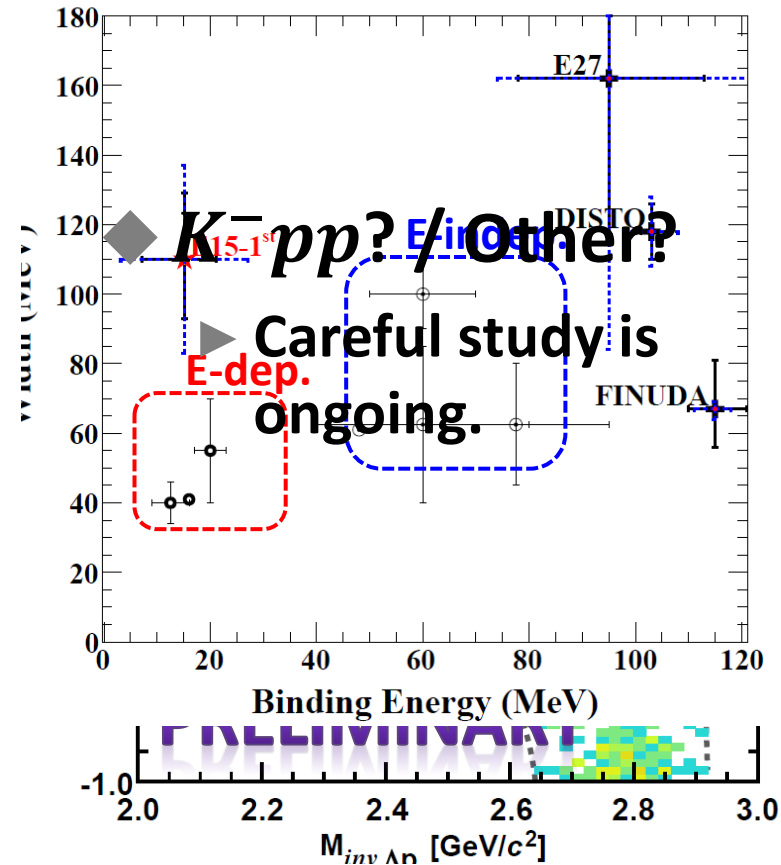
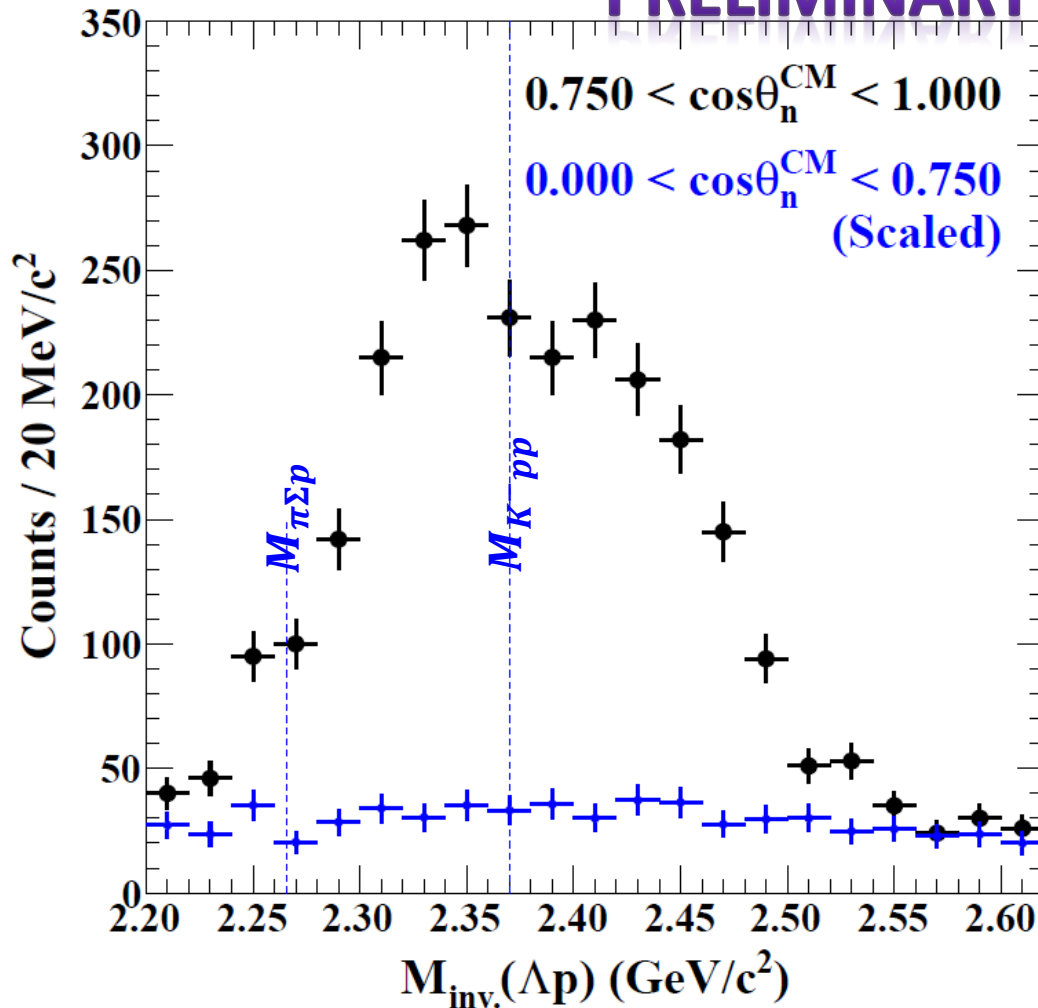
► Structure + 3NA



$\cos \theta_n^{CM}$ Sliced $IM(\Lambda p)$

*Acceptance **NOT** Corrected

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Summary

- ◆ **First preliminary results are presented based on high statistic data of the E15-2nd run.**
 - ▶ **Totally consistent with the results obtained from the E15-1st run**

- ◆ **Structures below and above the K^-pp mass threshold are observed.**
 - ▶ **Located in the region of $\cos \theta_n^{CM} > 0.75$**
 - ▶ **Is it the K^-pp state?**

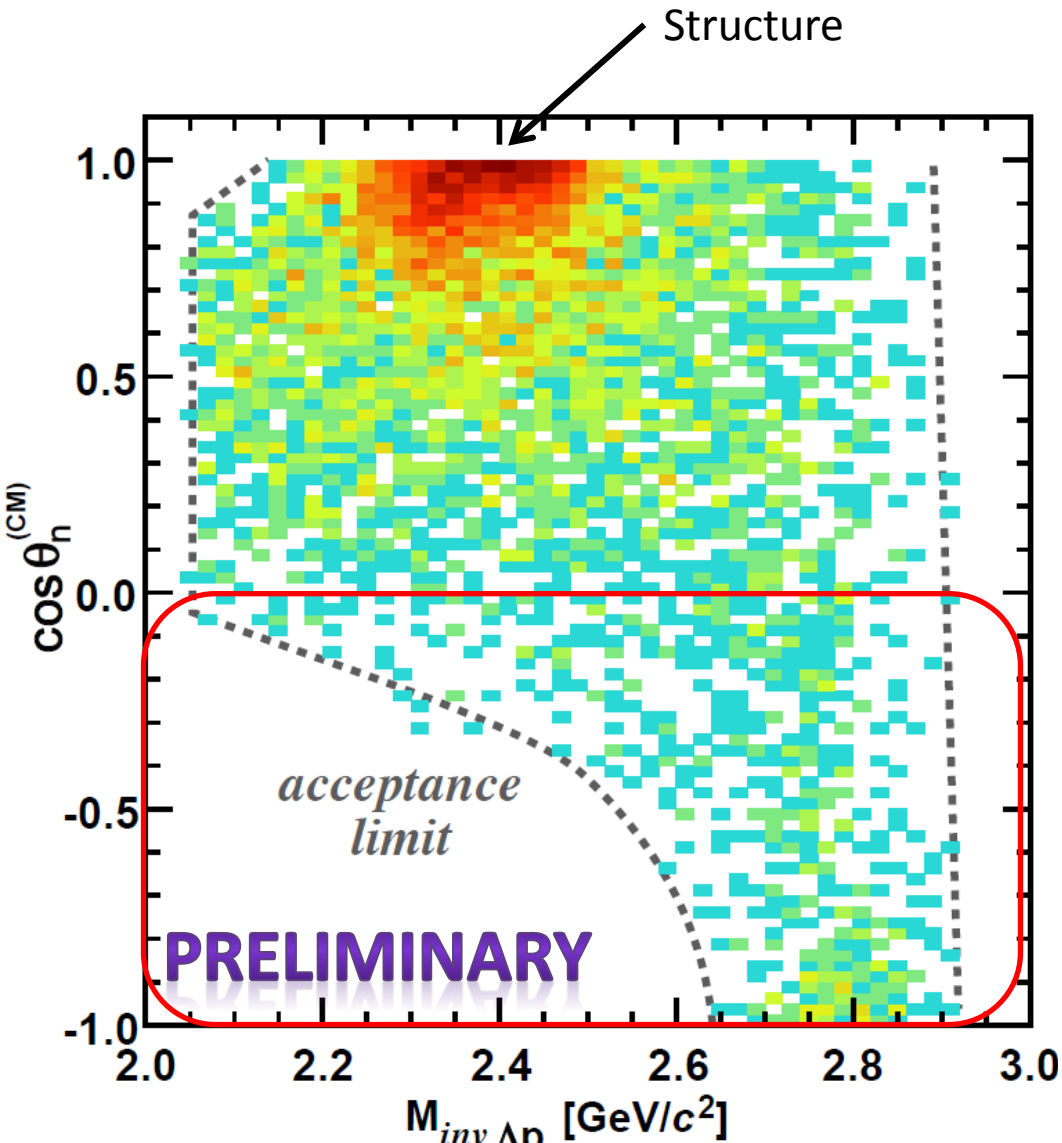
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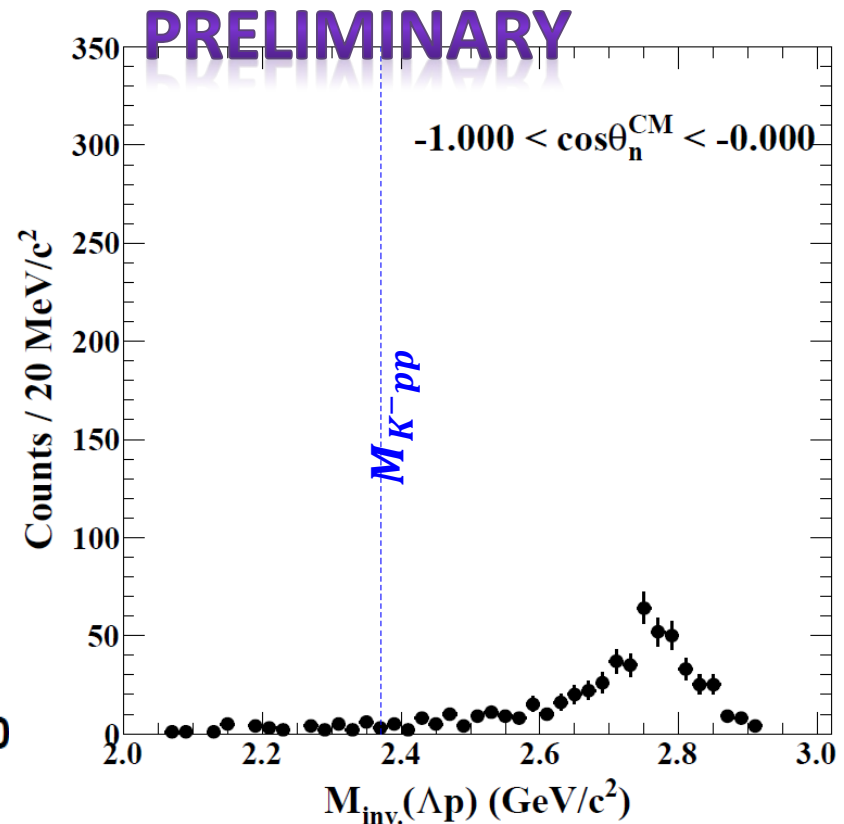
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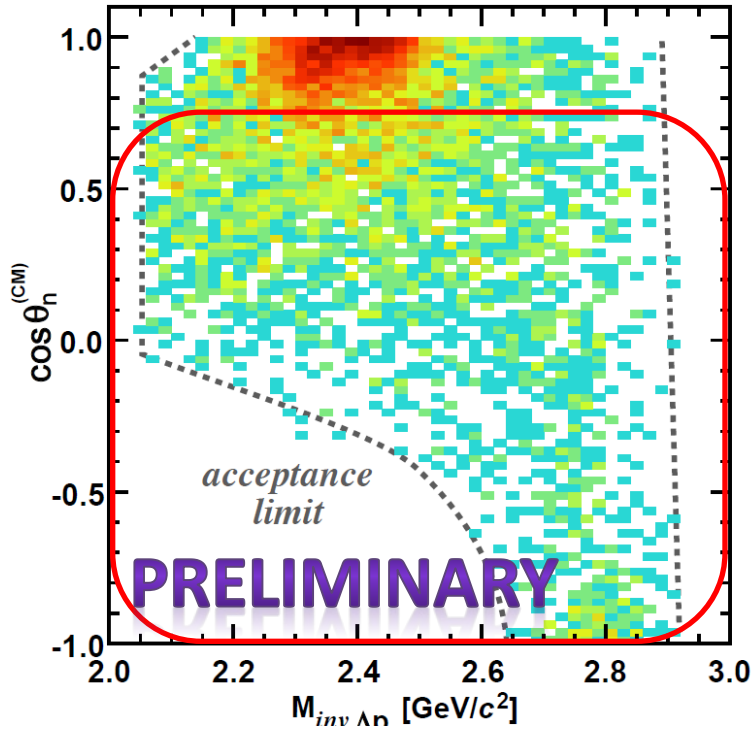


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► 2NA process



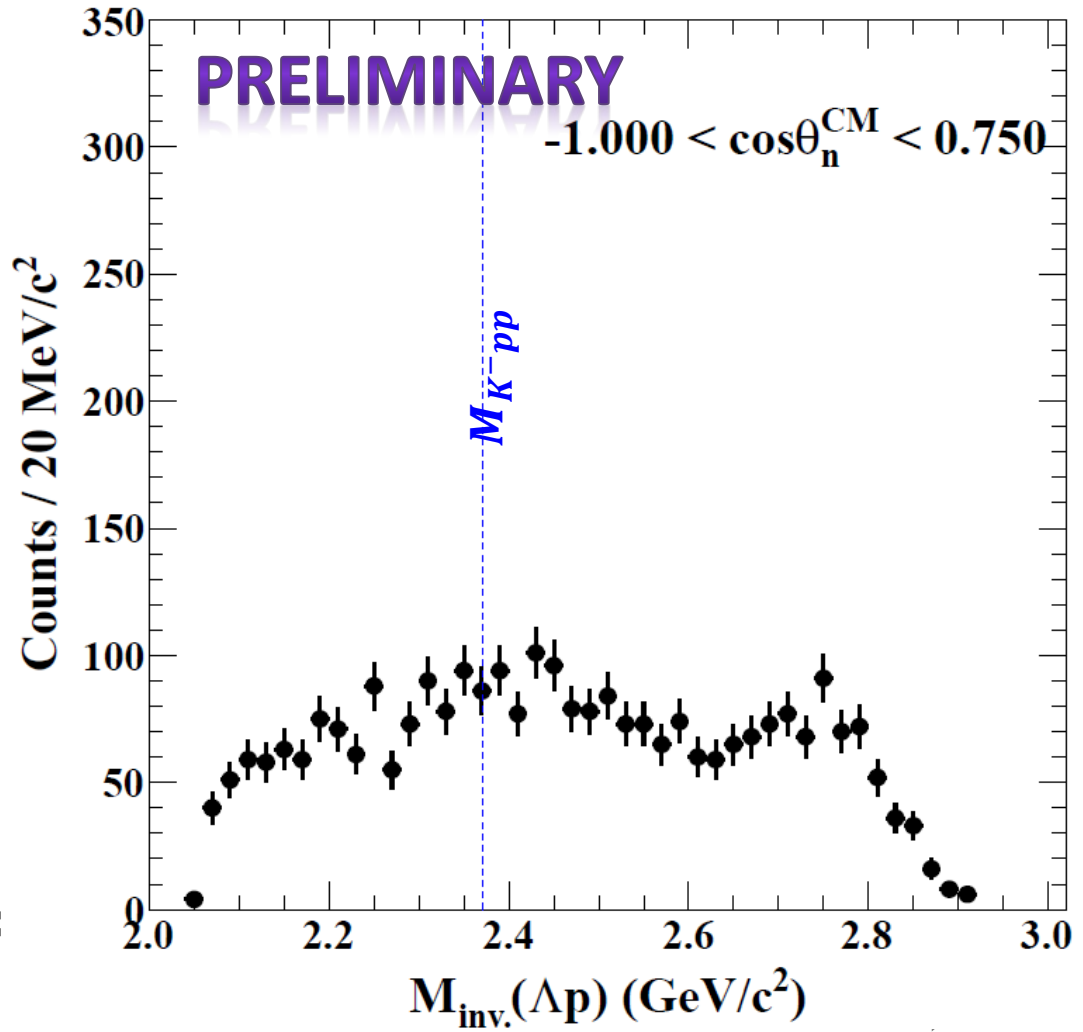
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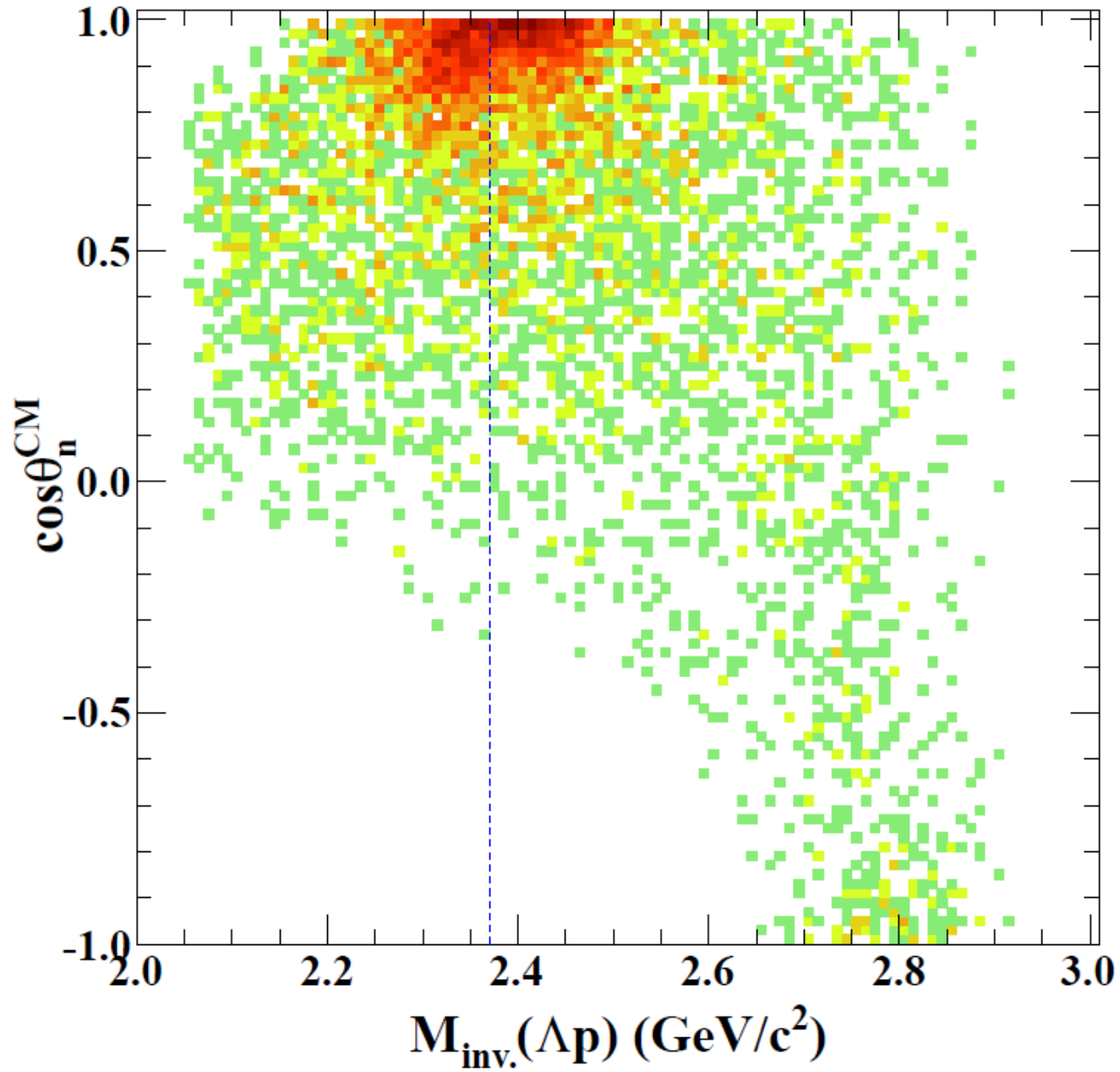


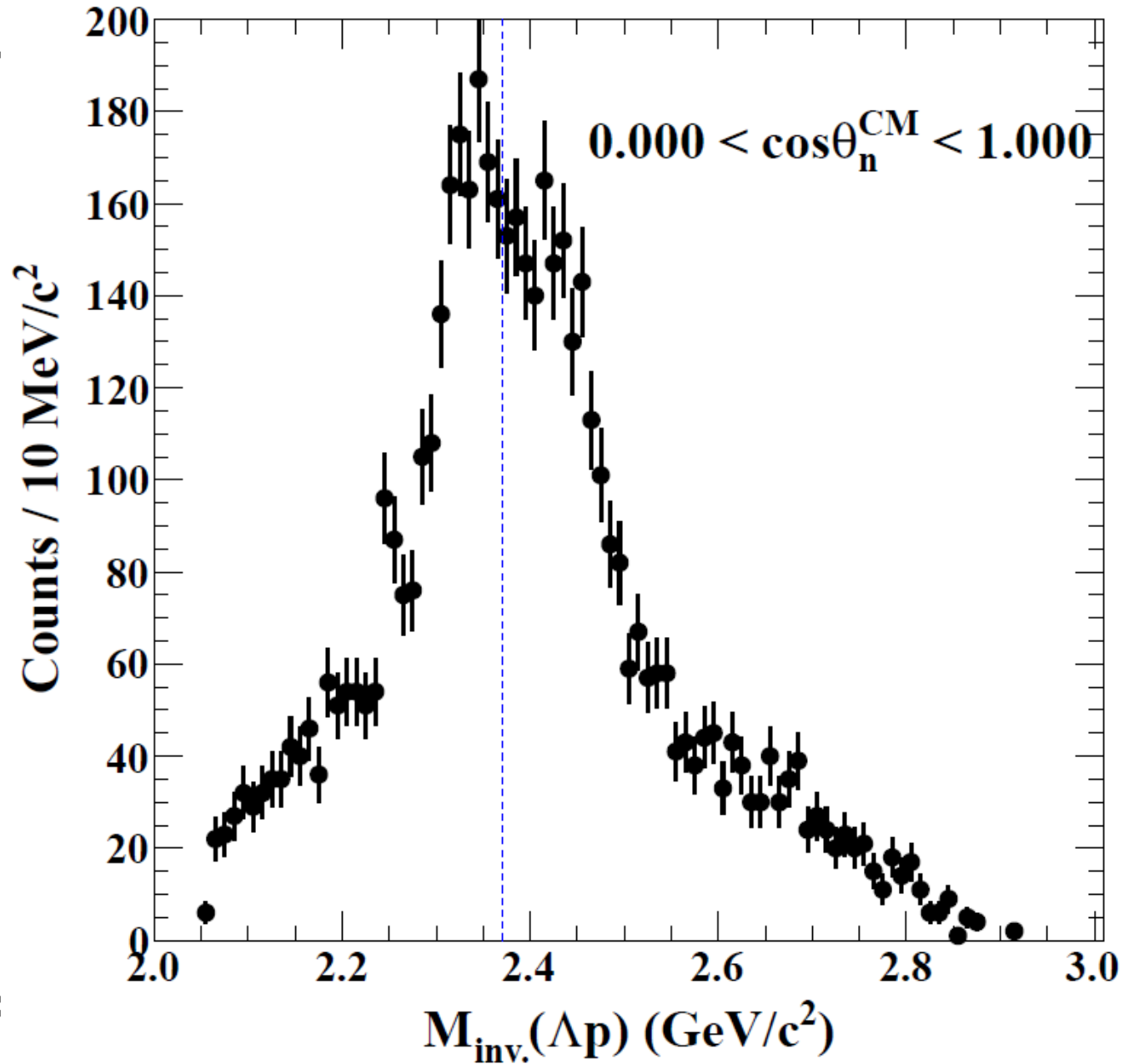
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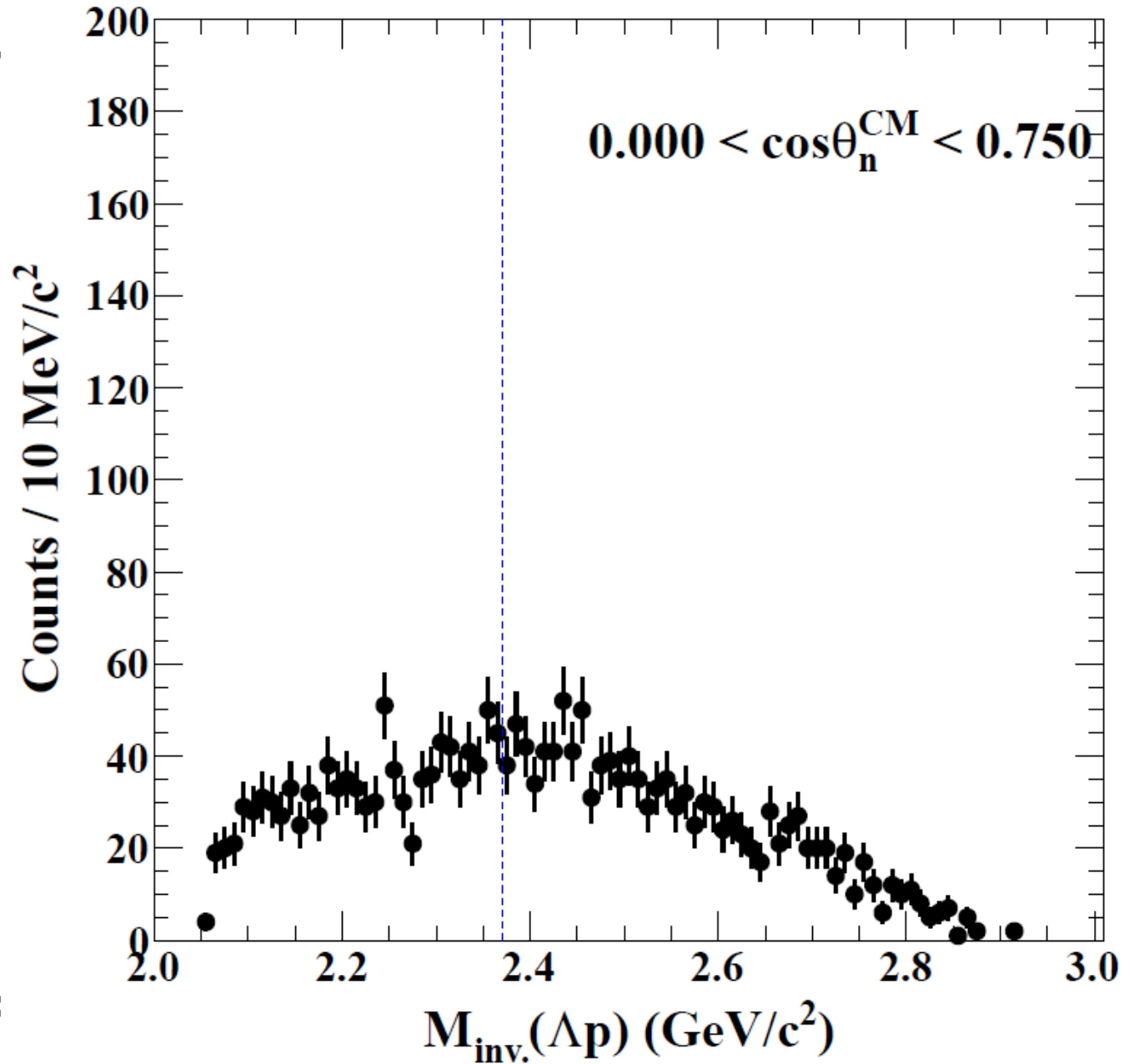
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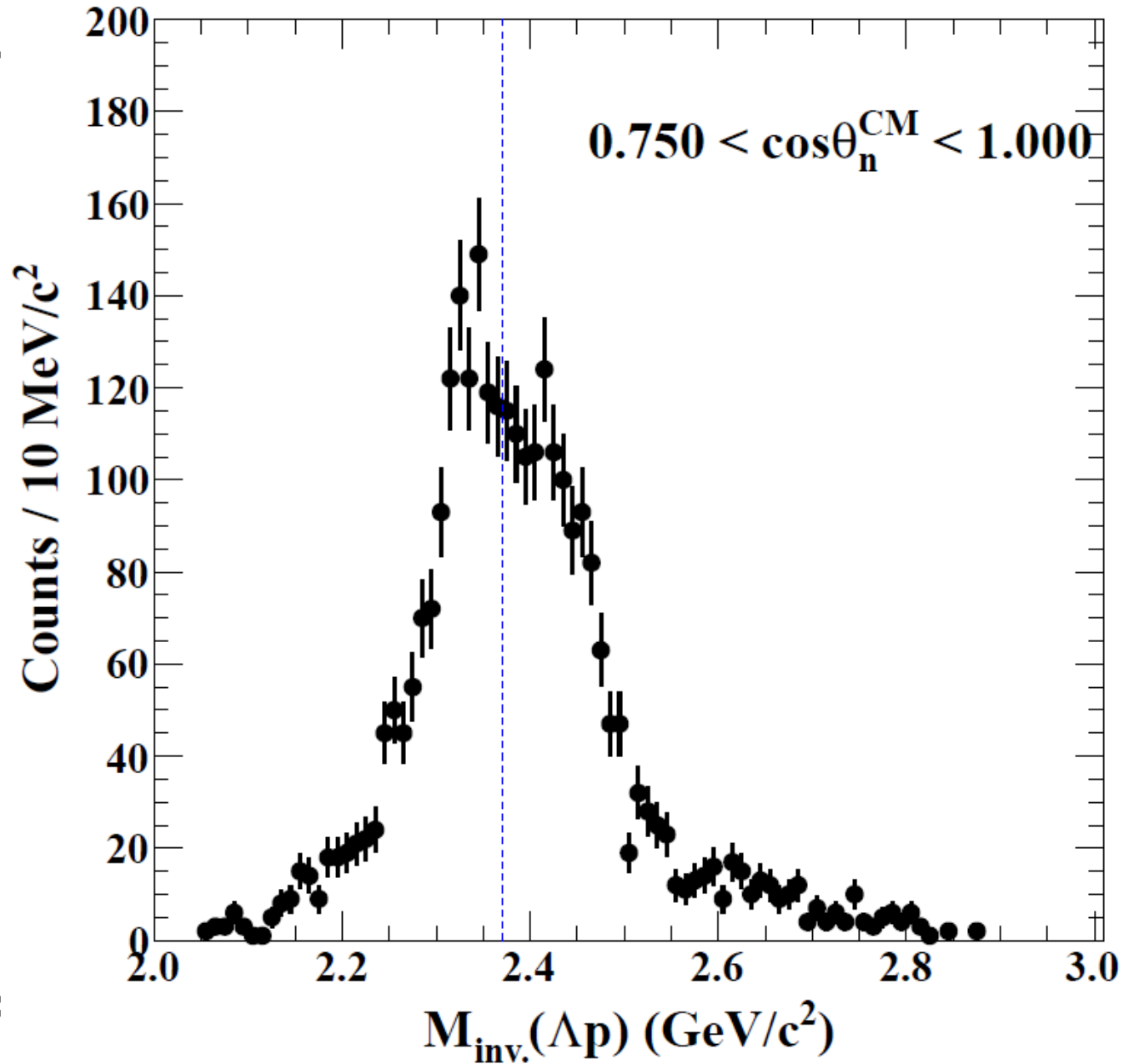
► 3NA + 2NA



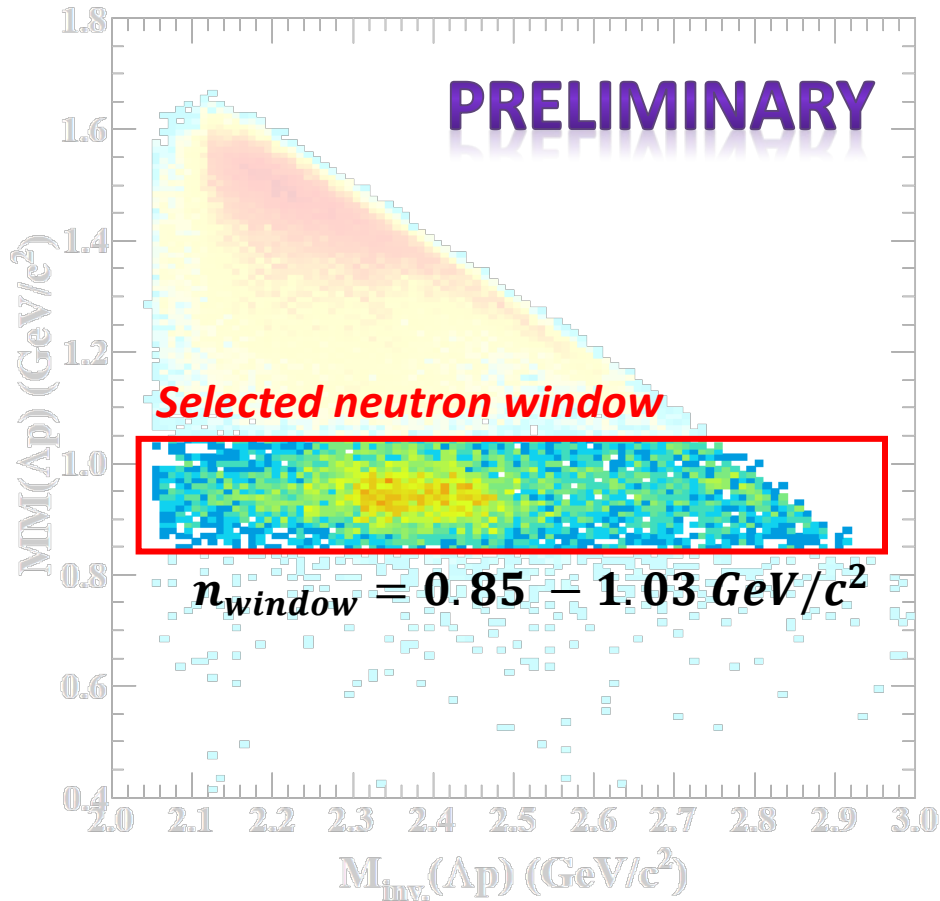




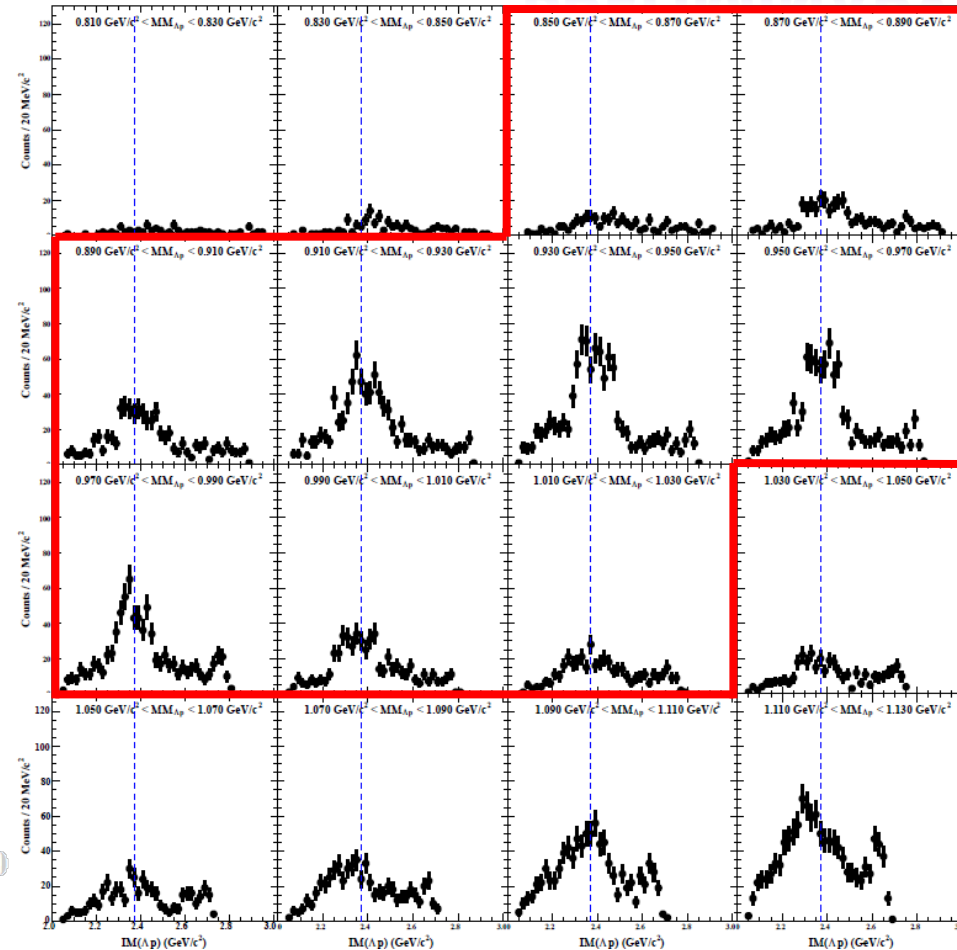




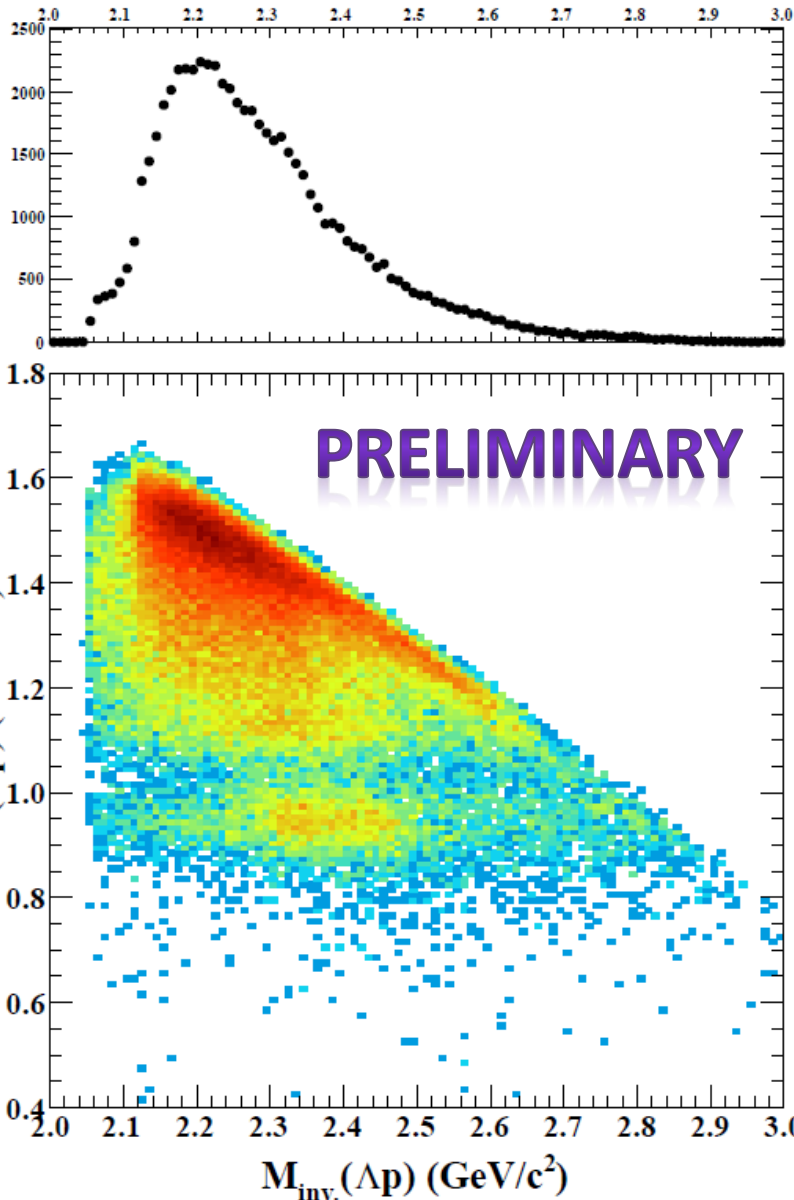
Neutron Window for $\Lambda p n$ Selection



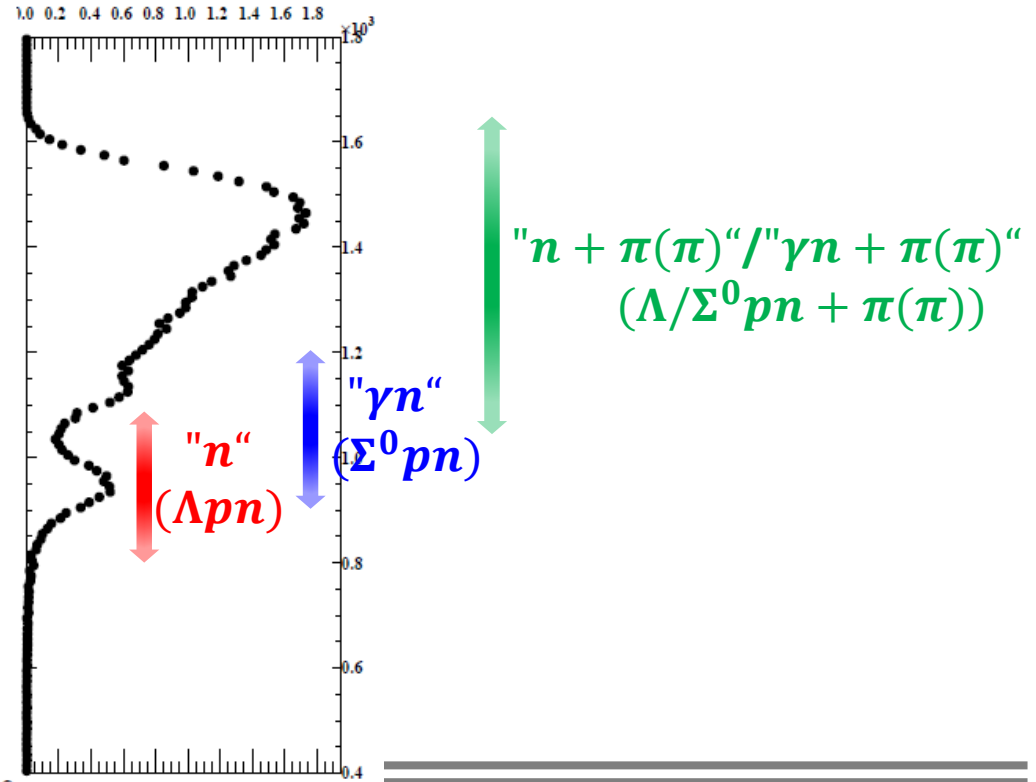
Lower

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Λp IM vs. MM Plot

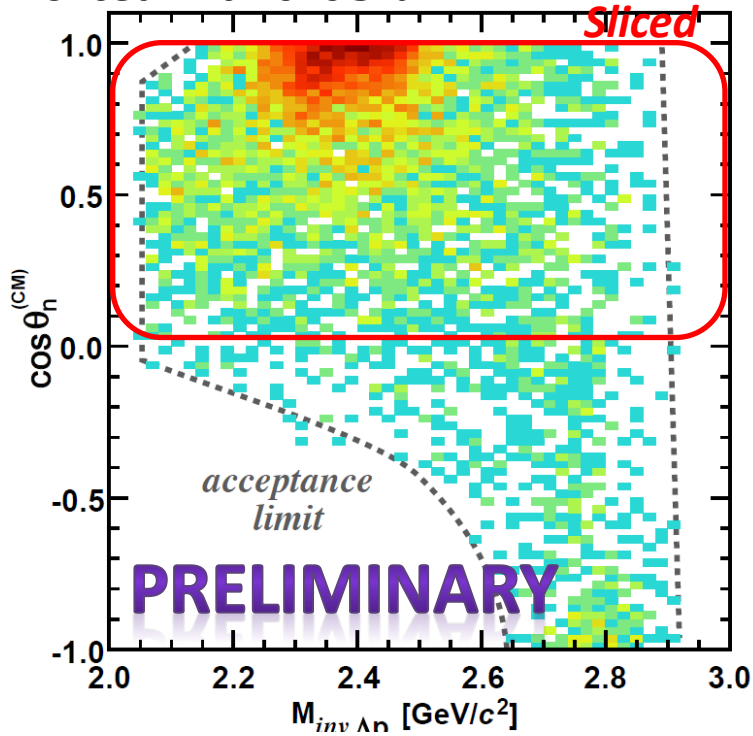


- ◆ Final state identification
 - ▶ Selecting $\Lambda p n$ final state

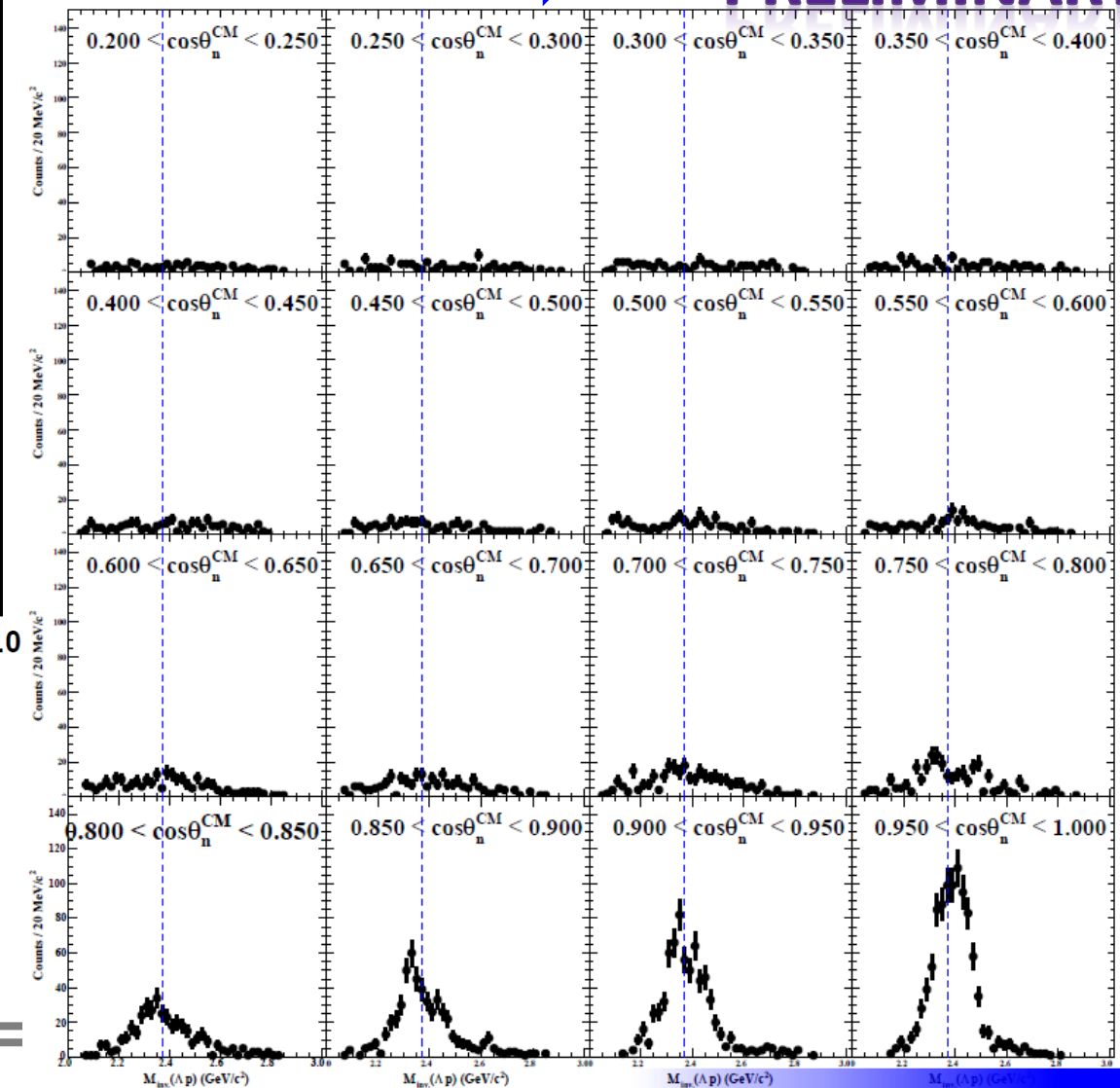


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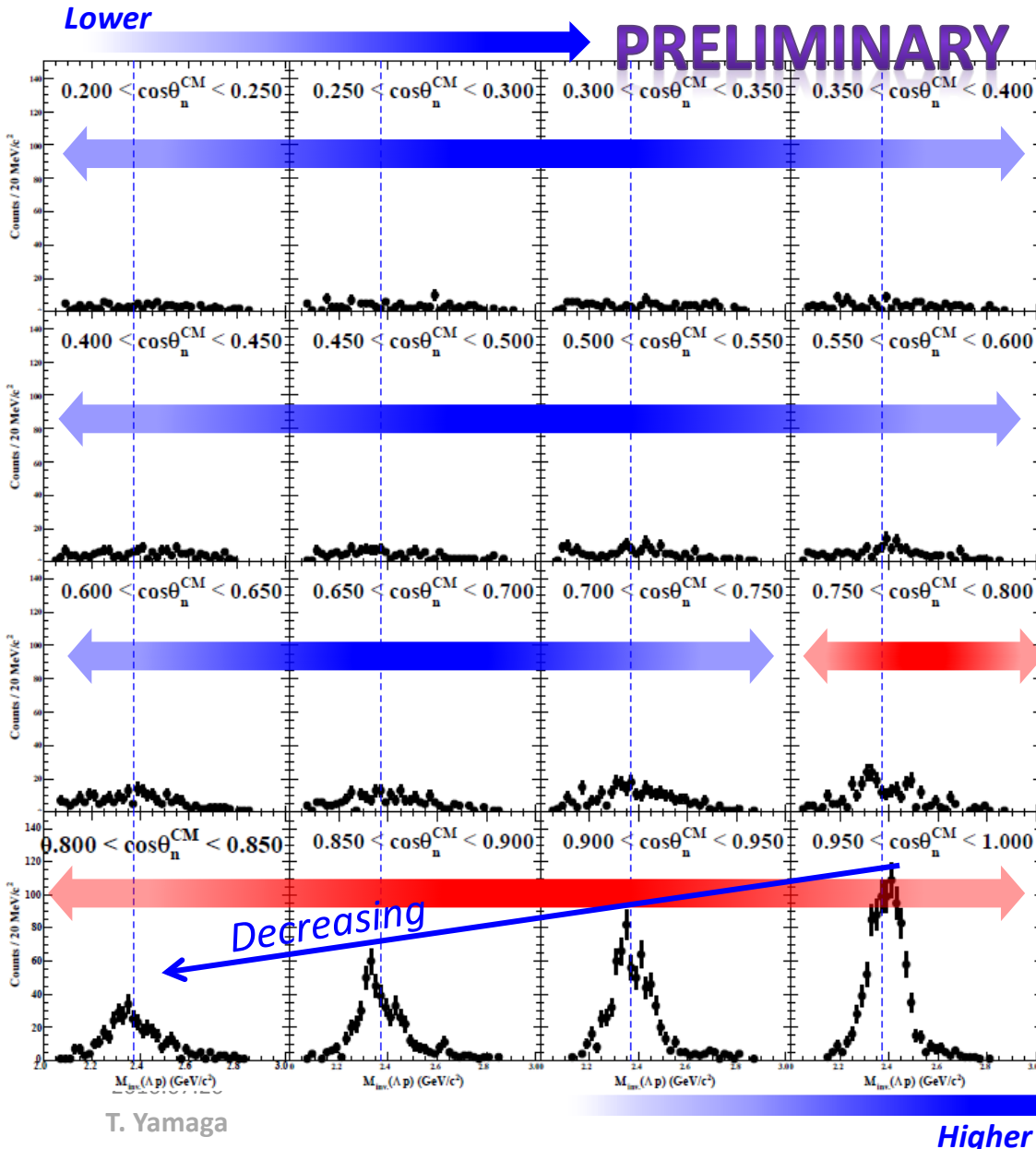
*Sliced with 0.05 bin



Lower



$\cos \theta_n^{CM}$ Sliced $IM(\Lambda p)$



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◆ Lower Opening Angle

- 0 – 0.75

▶ No structure

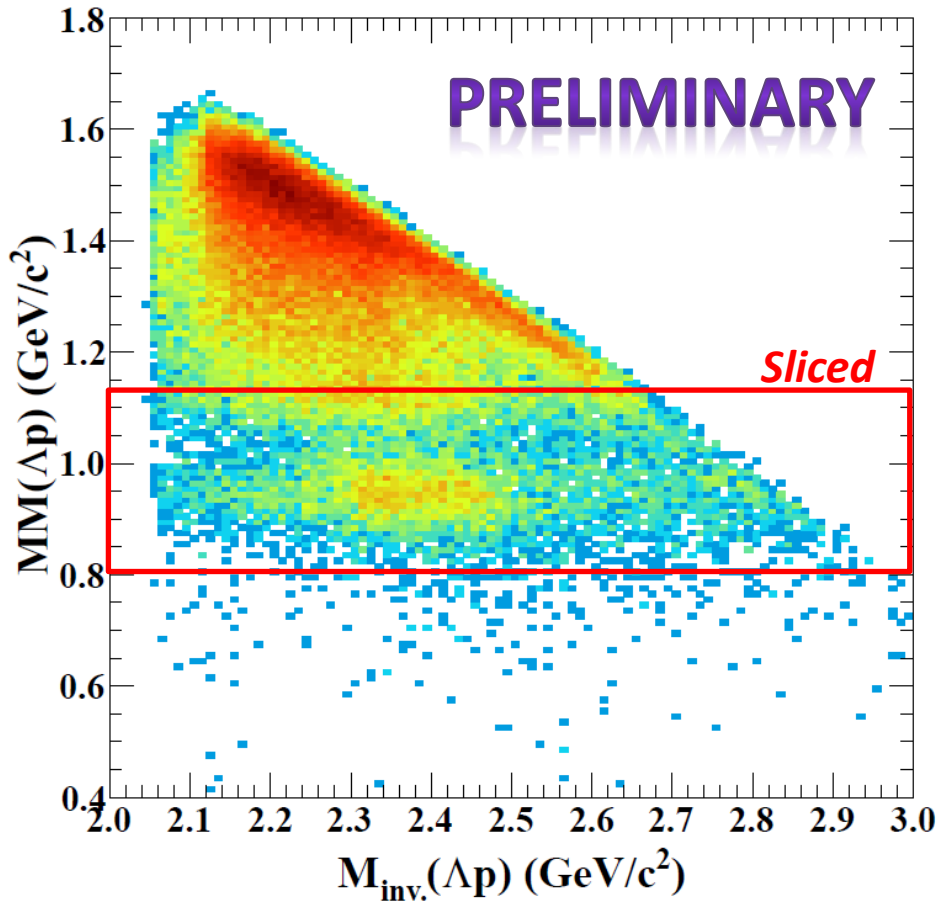
▶ Small event

◆ Higher O.A.

- 0.75 – 1.0

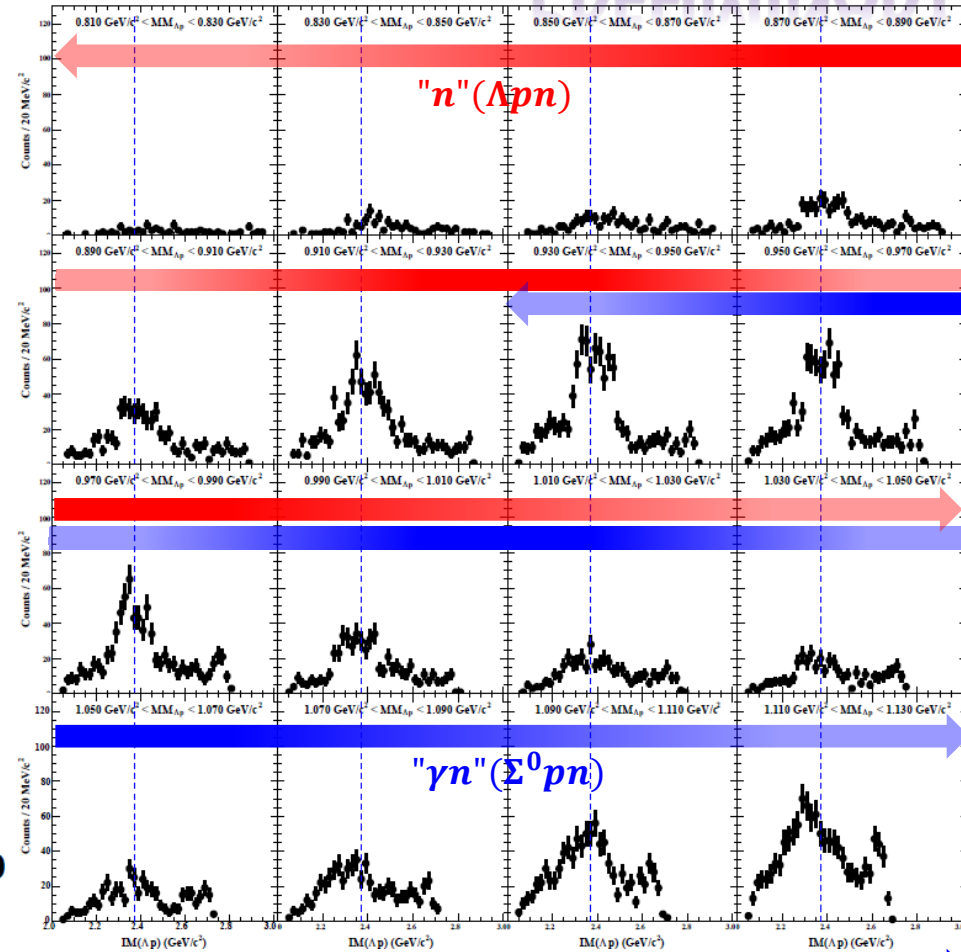
▶ Structure observed

$MM(\Lambda p)$ Slice around "n" Region



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Higher