

# Search for Deeply-bound $K$ - $pp$ States in ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$ Reaction - Recent Results from J-PARC E15 Experiment

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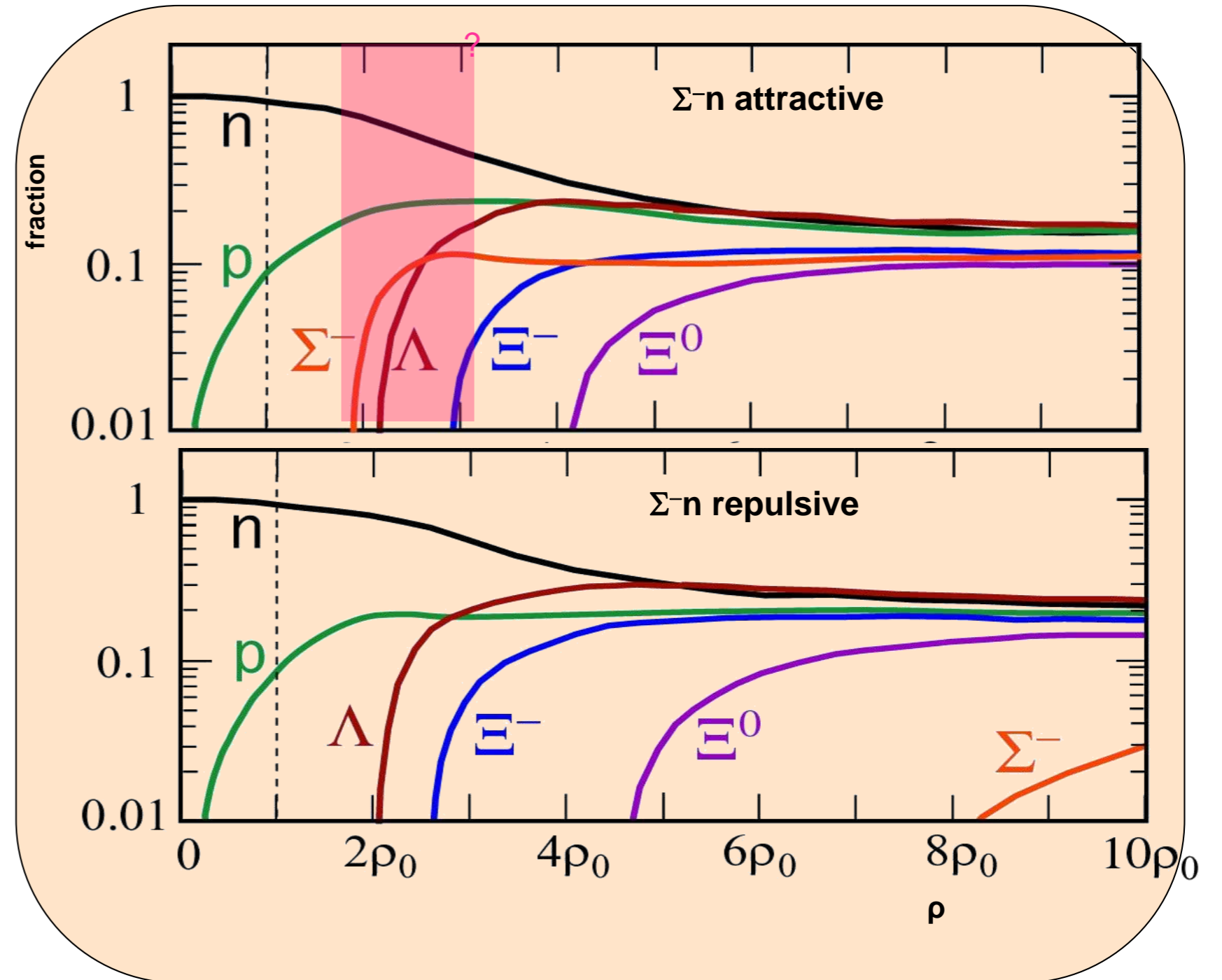
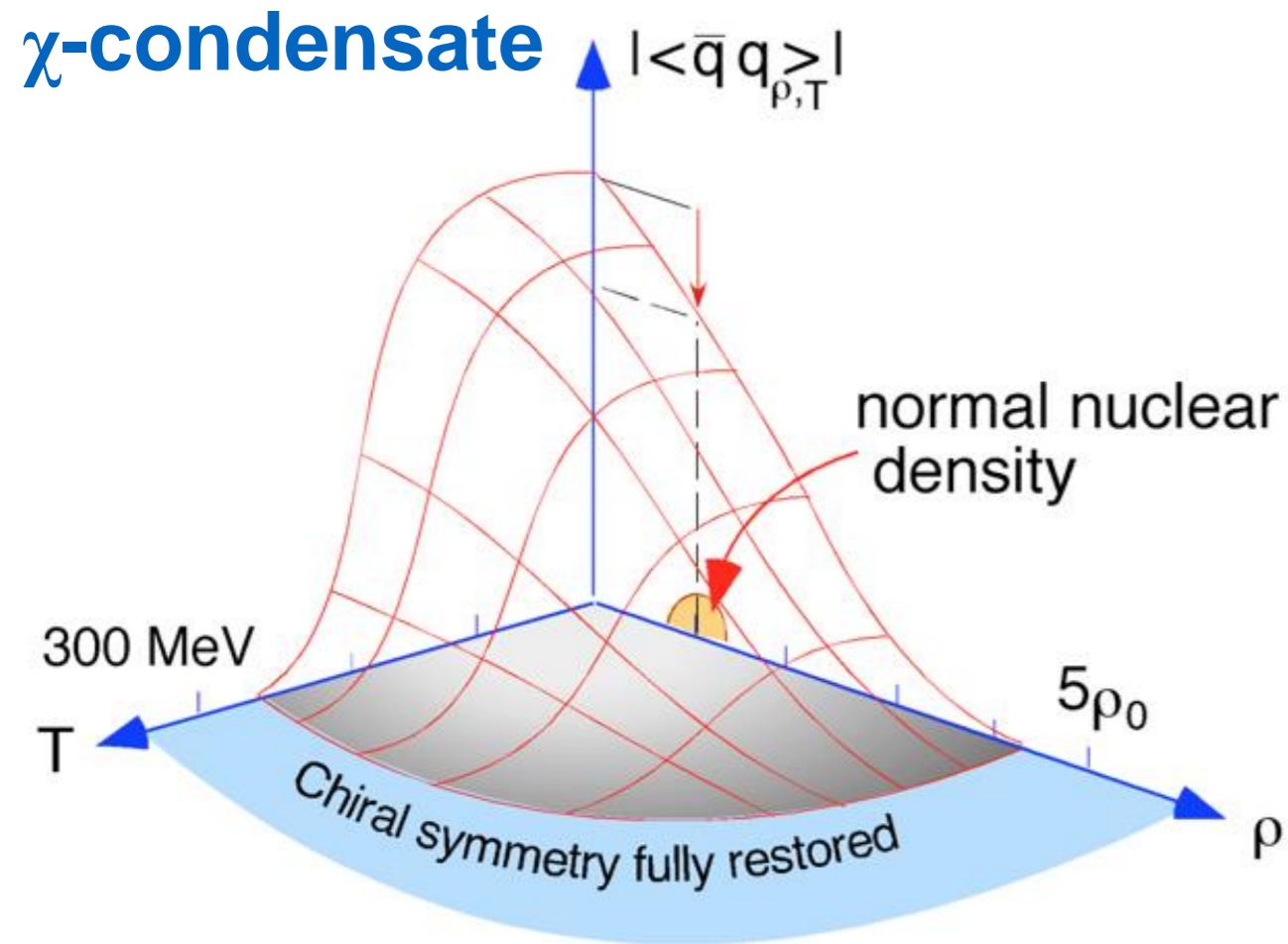


# Objectives

Key questions :

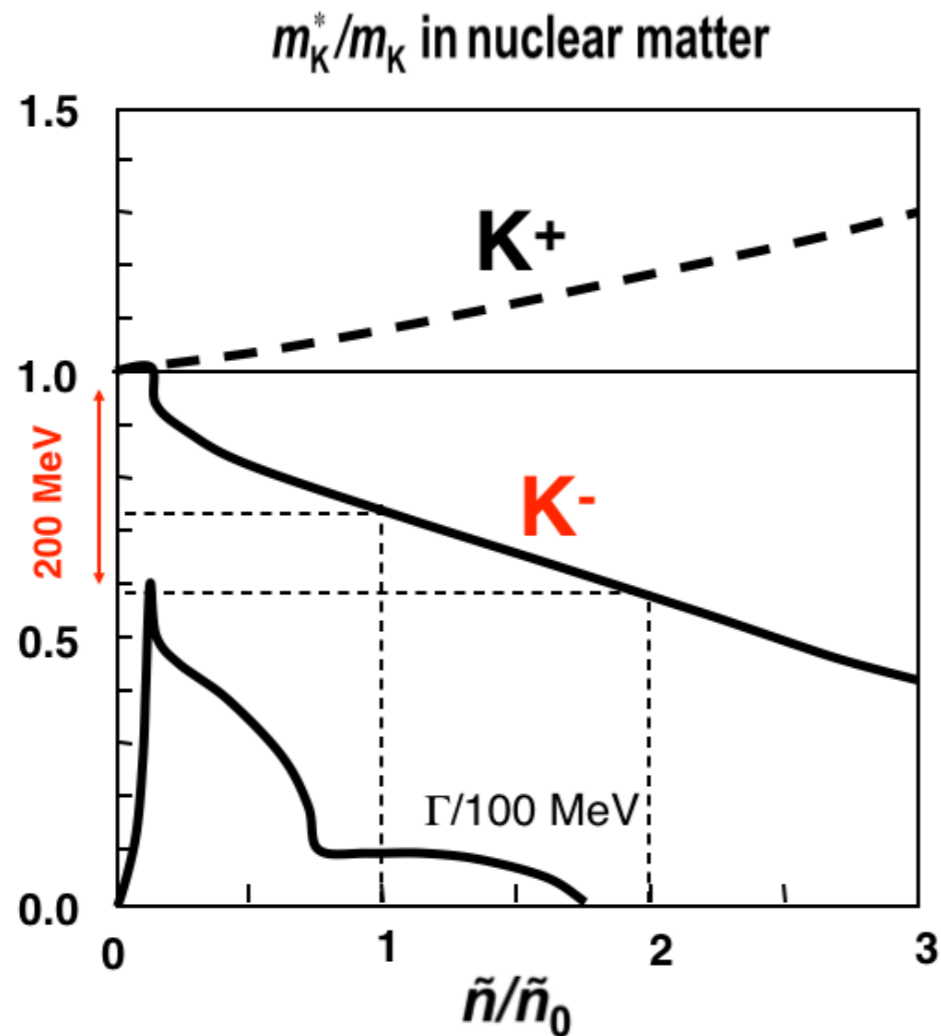
## Hadron masses and $\chi$ -symmetry

- Can kaon be a member of nuclei?
- Kaon properties change in nuclear media?
- Kaon condensation in neutron star ?



# Search for Kaonic nuclear states

assuming  $\Lambda(1405) = K^-p$  bound state ...



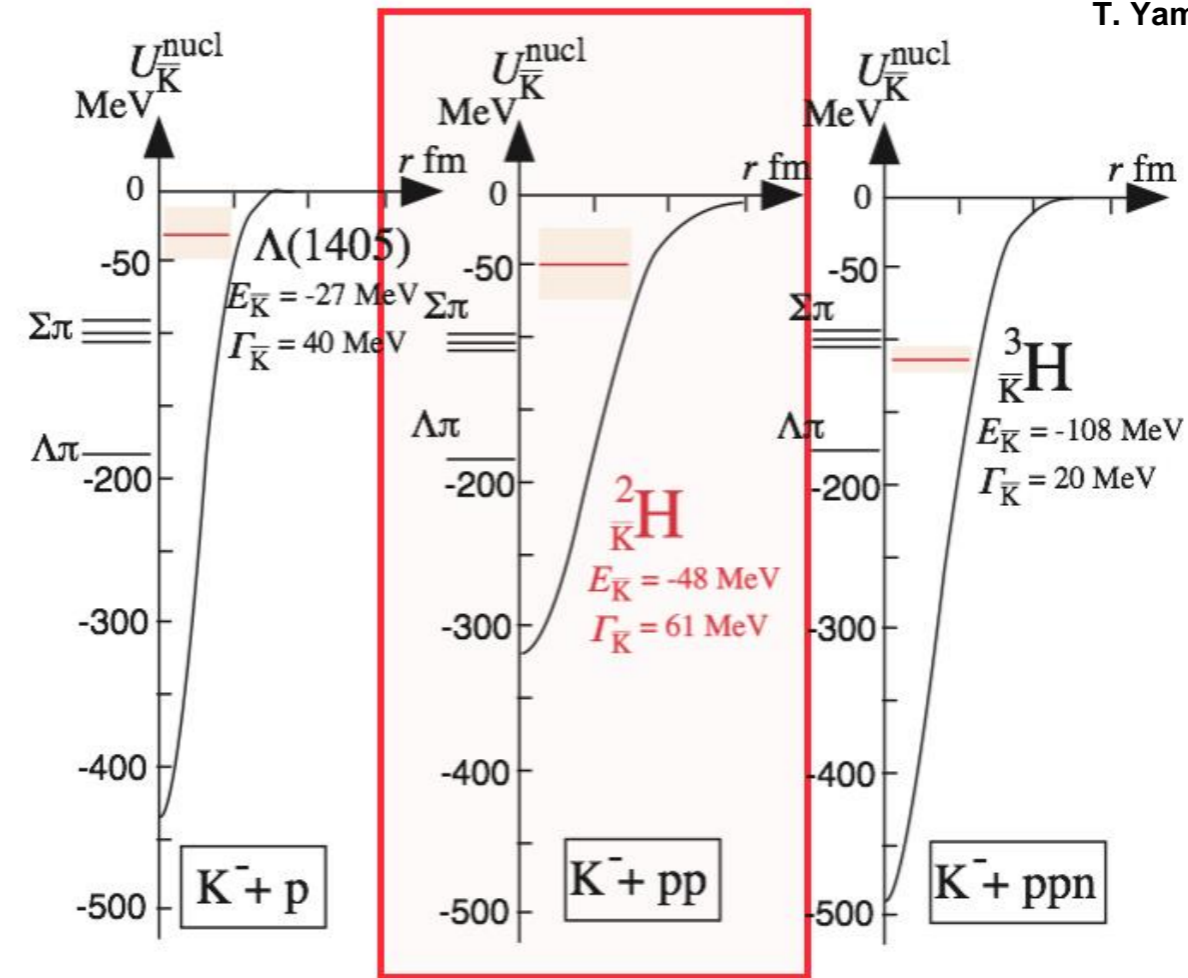
T. Waas, N. Kaiser & W. Weise, Phys. Lett. B379 (1996) 34.

strongly attractive in  $I=0$  channel

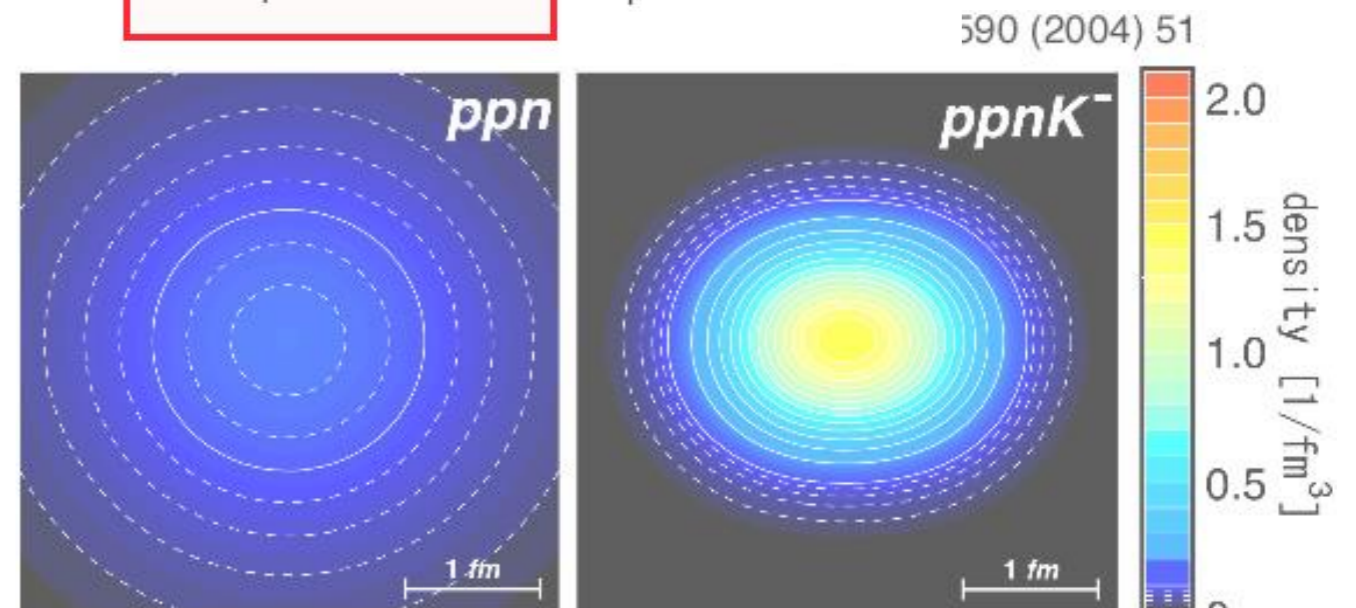
nuclear state search

$K^-pp$  • simplest system

${}^3\text{He}(K^-, n)$  @ 1 GeV/c



T. Yamazaki & Y. Akaishi, PLB 535 (2002) 70

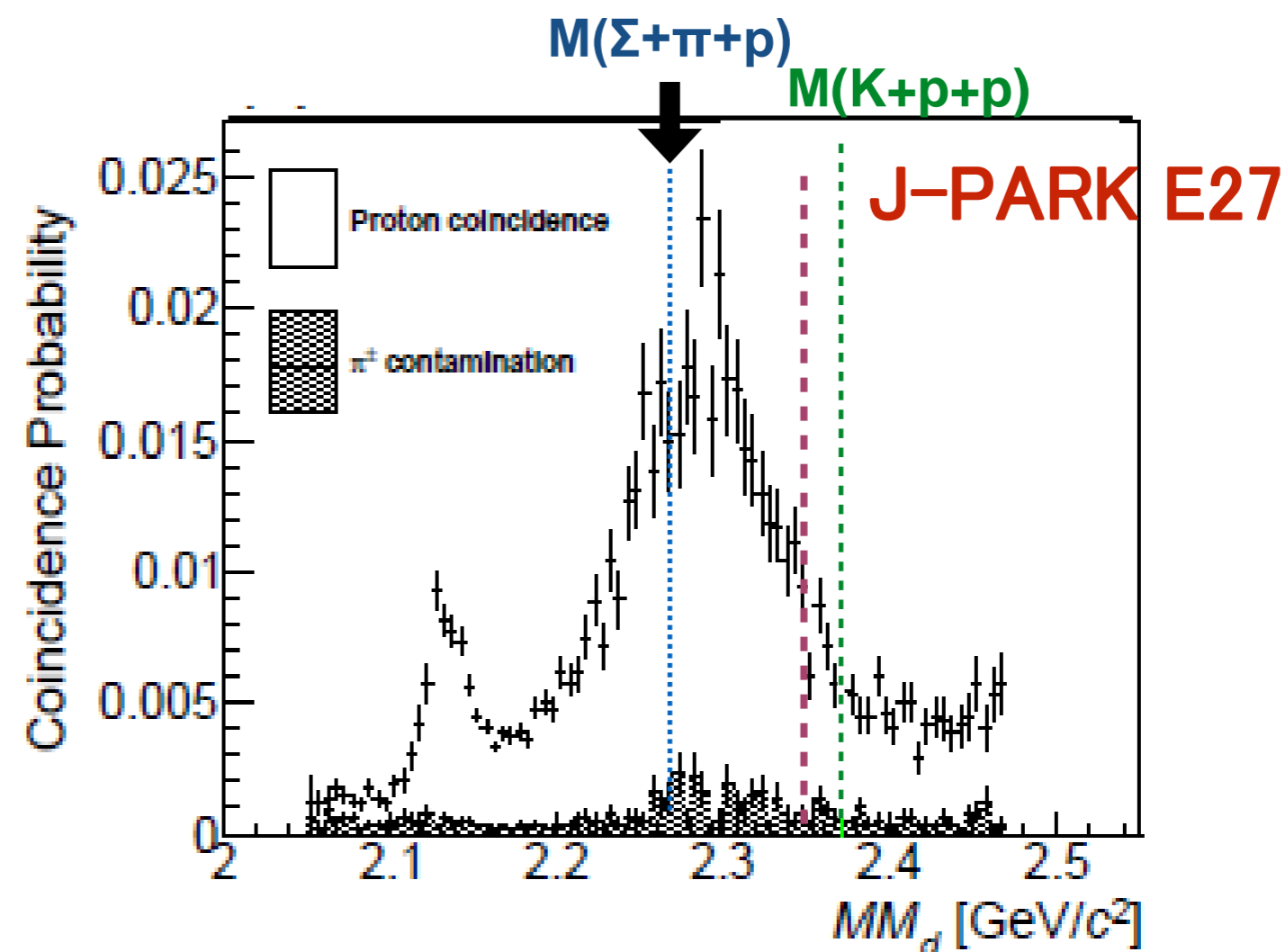
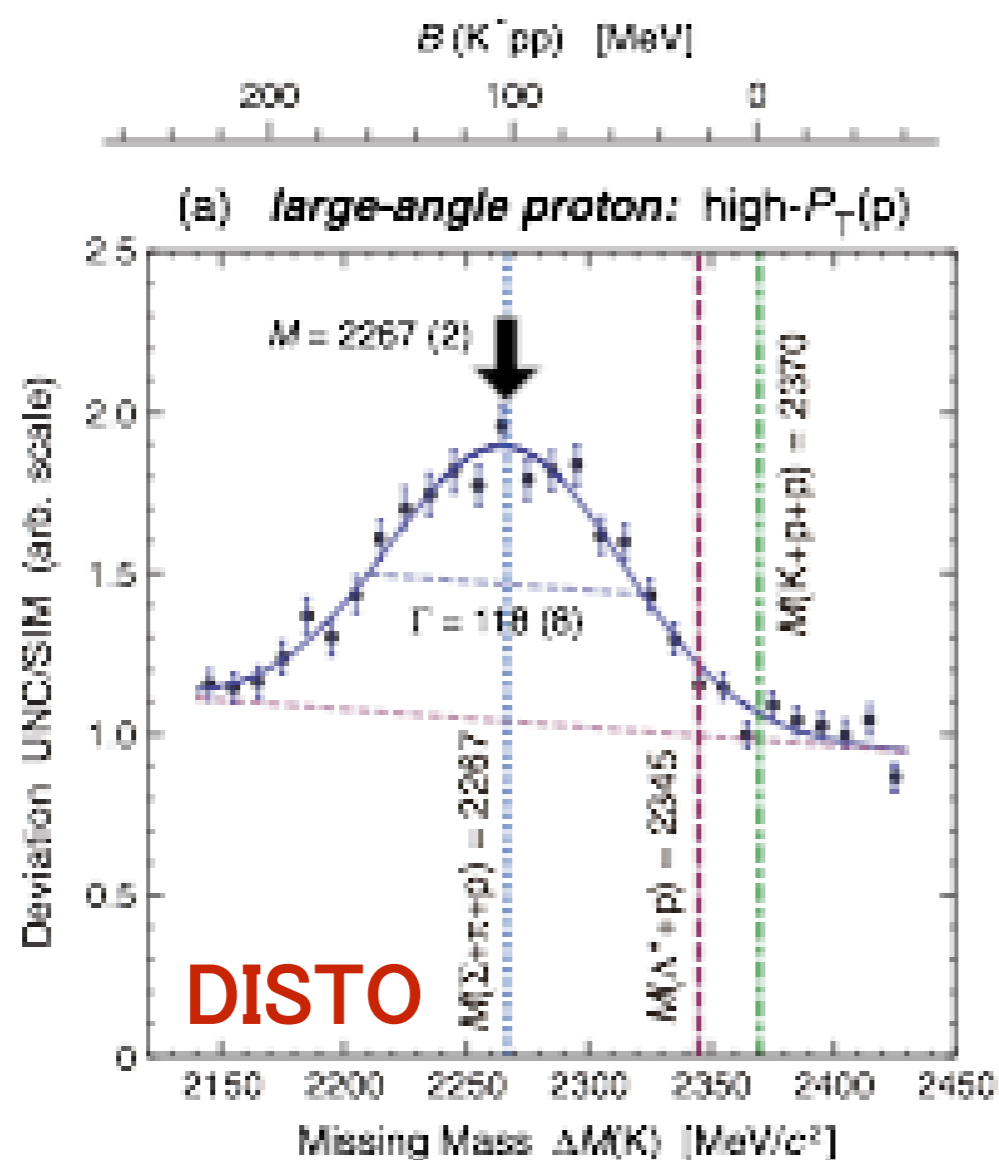


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formation of high density matter?

# Present "Kpp" Candidates @ $B_K \sim 100$ MeV

very deep ??



Many objections exist, though...

why no threshold ( $\Sigma\pi p$ ) effect seen?

why no quasi-elastic K seen?

# Situation of $K^-pp$ bound state

## ► Theoretical calc.

Bound state exists

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  $K^-$ ,  $\Lambda p$ )

NO structure

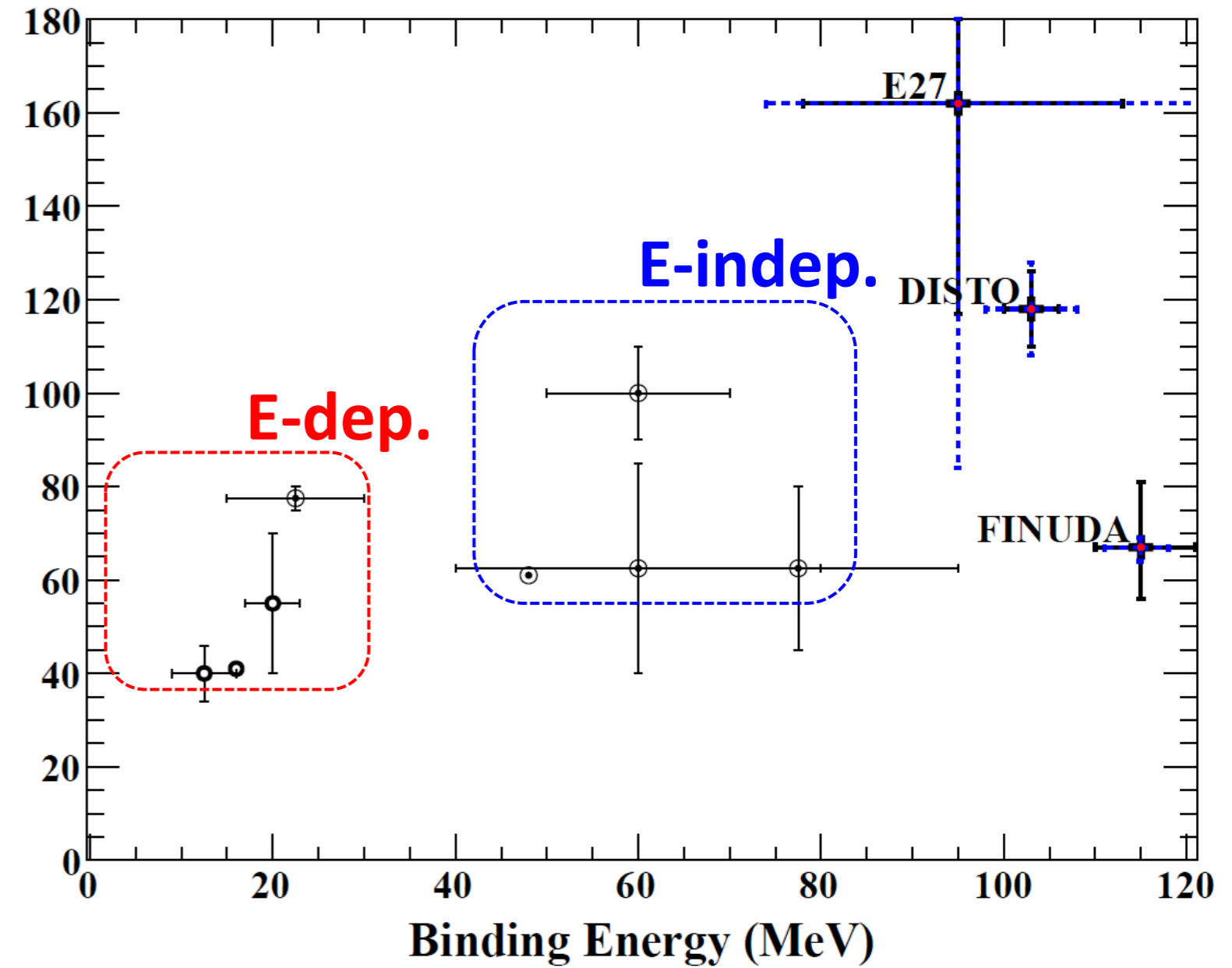
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$p(\gamma, \pi^- K^+)X$

**HADES**

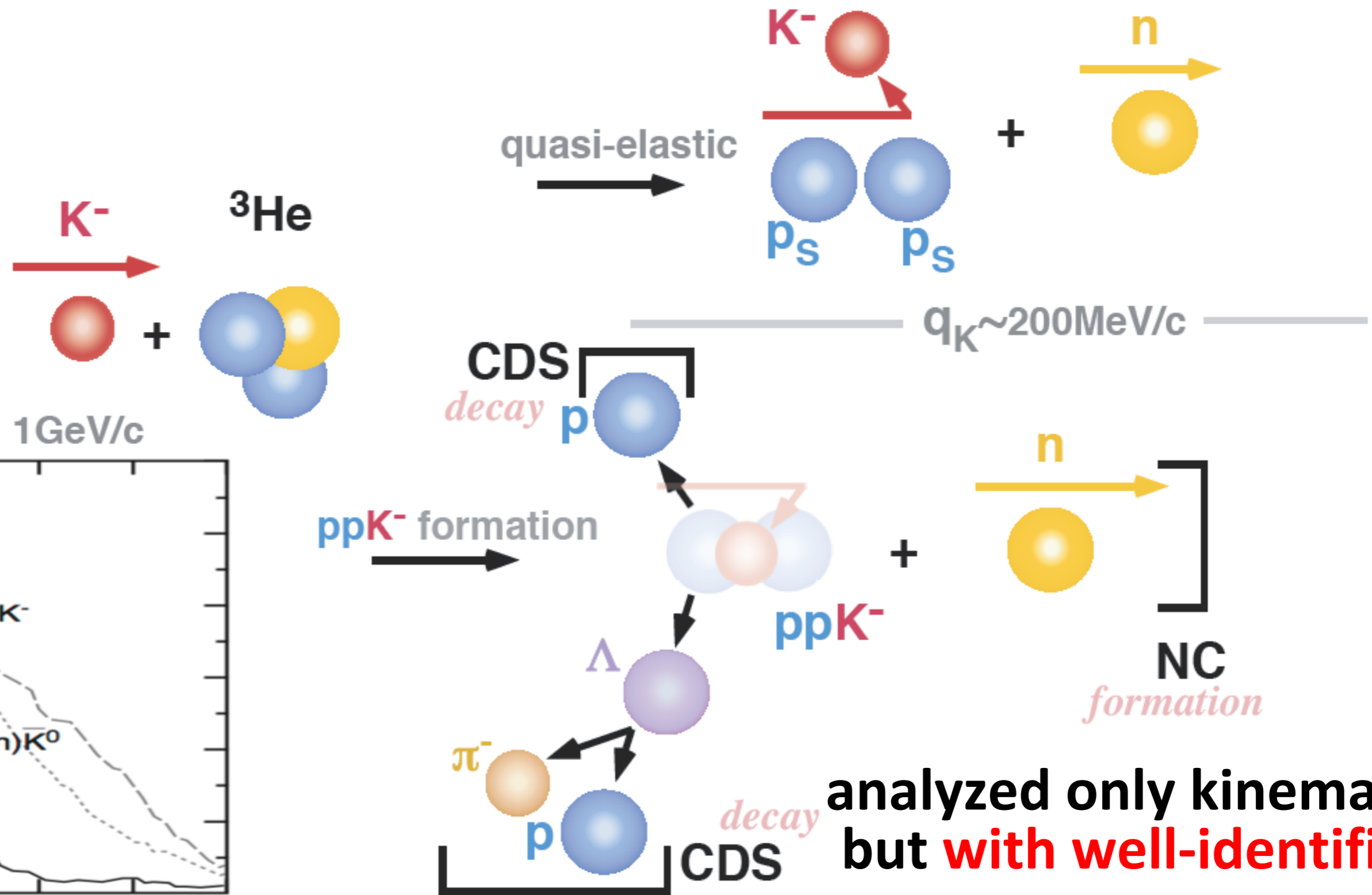
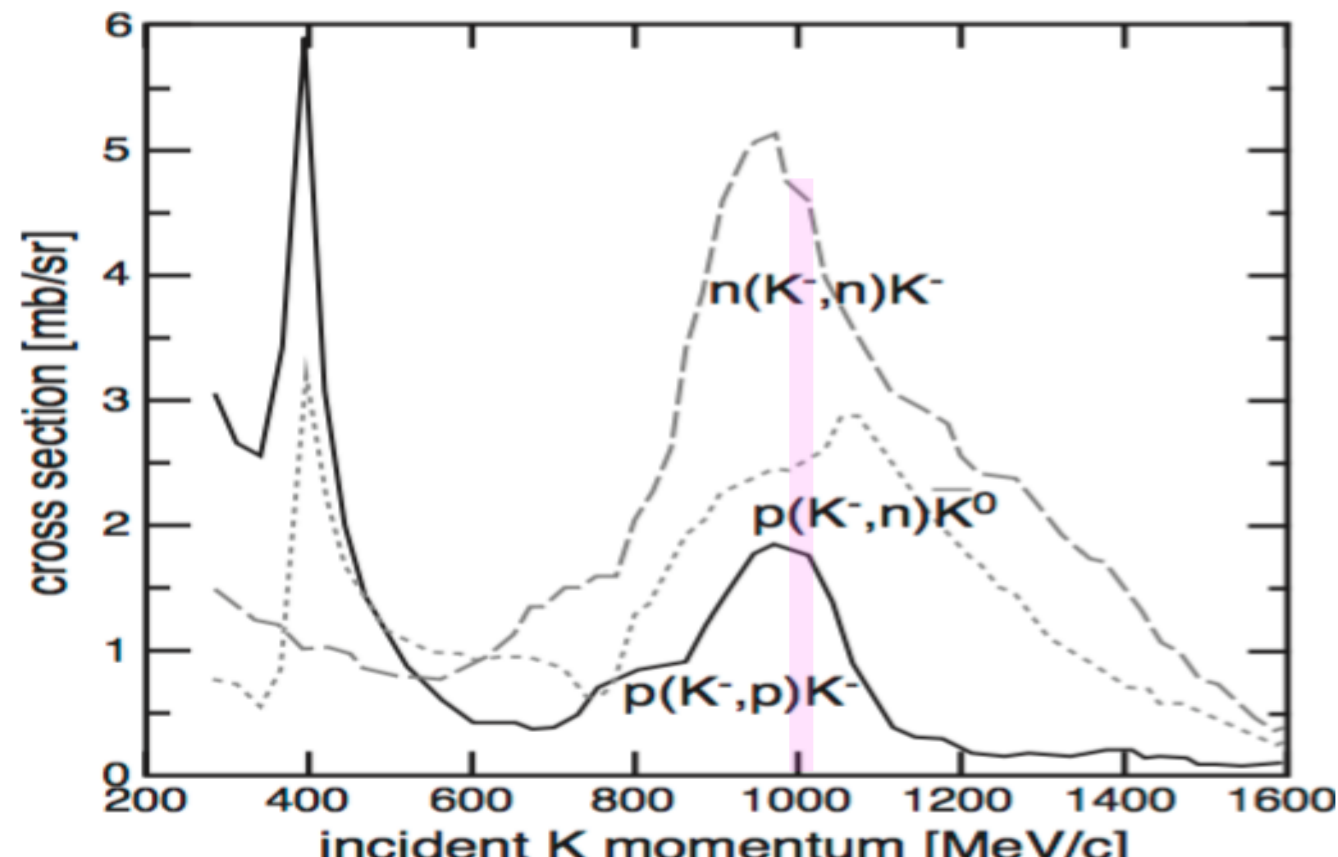
$pp \rightarrow \Lambda p K^+$

Width (MeV)



# "K<sup>-</sup>pp" search via <sup>3</sup>He(K<sup>-</sup>,n) @ p<sub>K</sub>=1GeV/c

for efficient "ppK" formation  $q_K \sim 200 \text{ MeV}/c$



analyzed only kinematically  
but with well-identified FS

# Published E15<sup>1st</sup> data

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Letter

**$^3\text{He}(K^-, n)$  — semi-inclusive**

**Search for the deeply bound  $K^- pp$  state from the semi-inclusive forward-neutron spectrum in the in-flight  $K^-$  reaction on helium-3**

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*with new data!*

**Only 3 days!**

**(suspended by the earthquake)**

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**$^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p) n$  — exclusive**

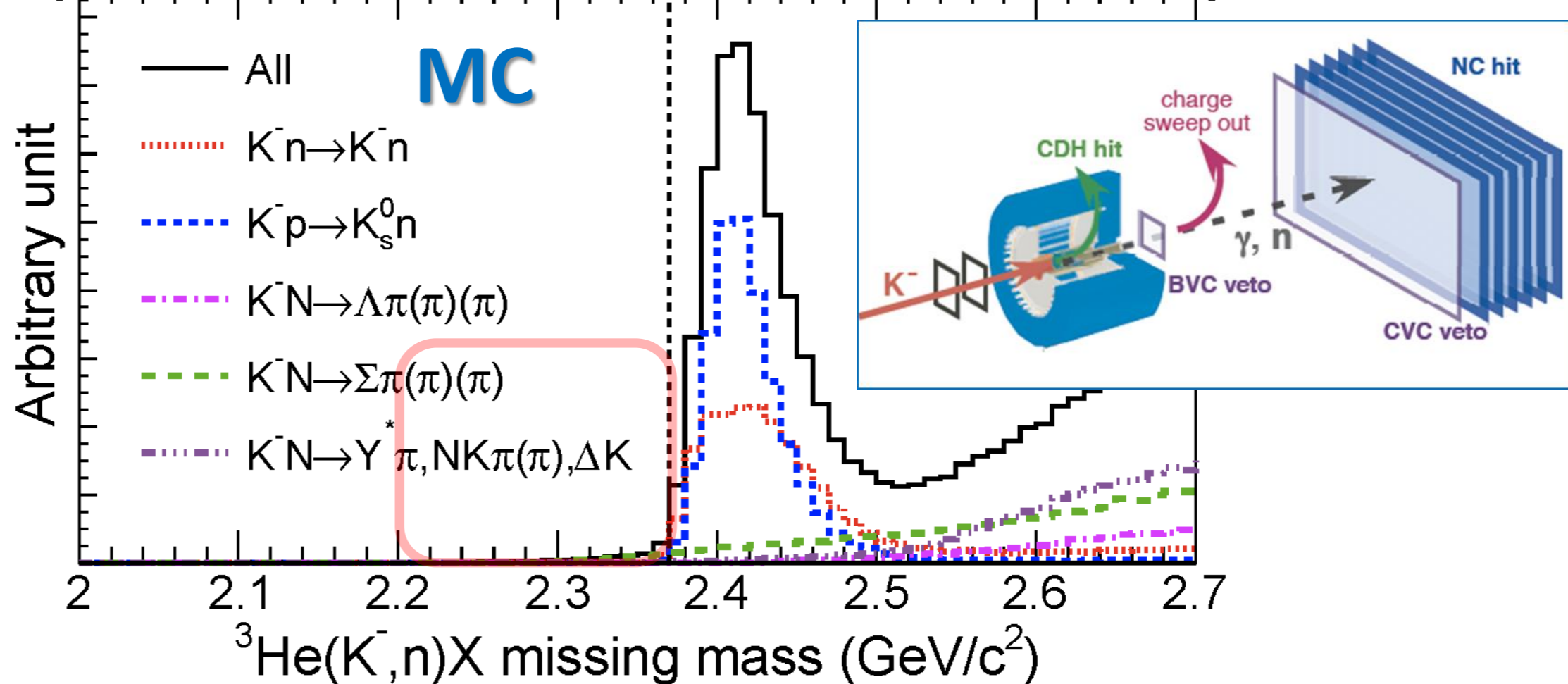
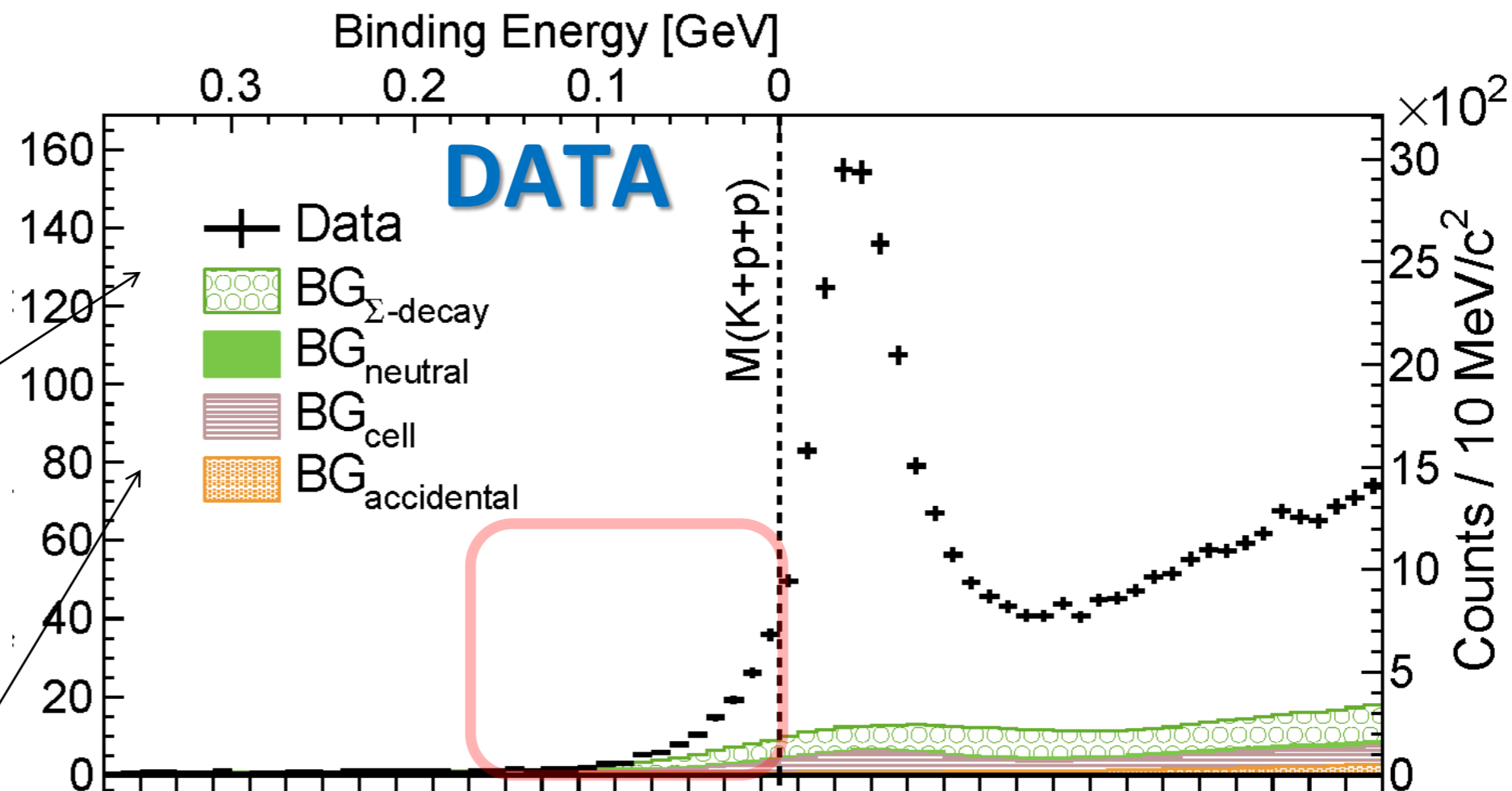
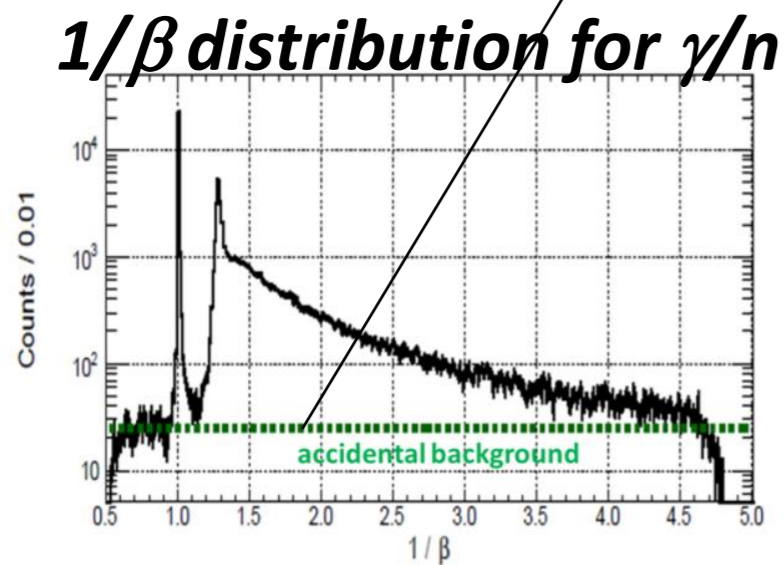
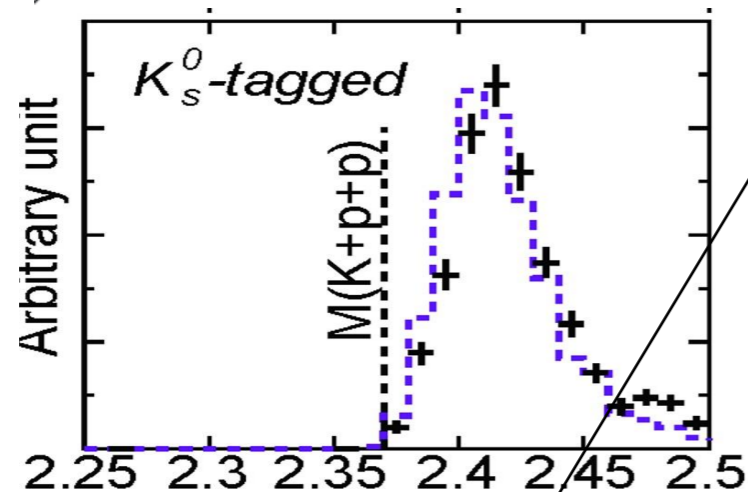
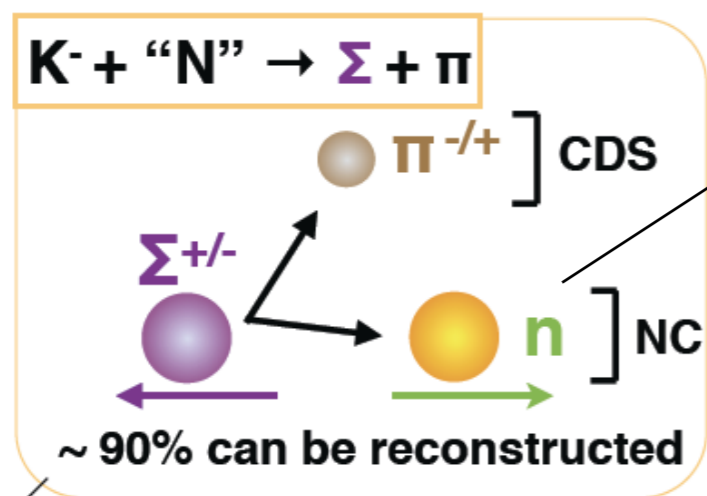
**Structure near the  $K^- + p + p$  threshold in the in-flight  $^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$  reaction**

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# E15

## ${}^3\text{He}(K^-,n)X$





# Improving statistics via E15<sup>2nd</sup> data

What is the structure found in E15<sup>1st</sup> data?

E15<sup>1st</sup>

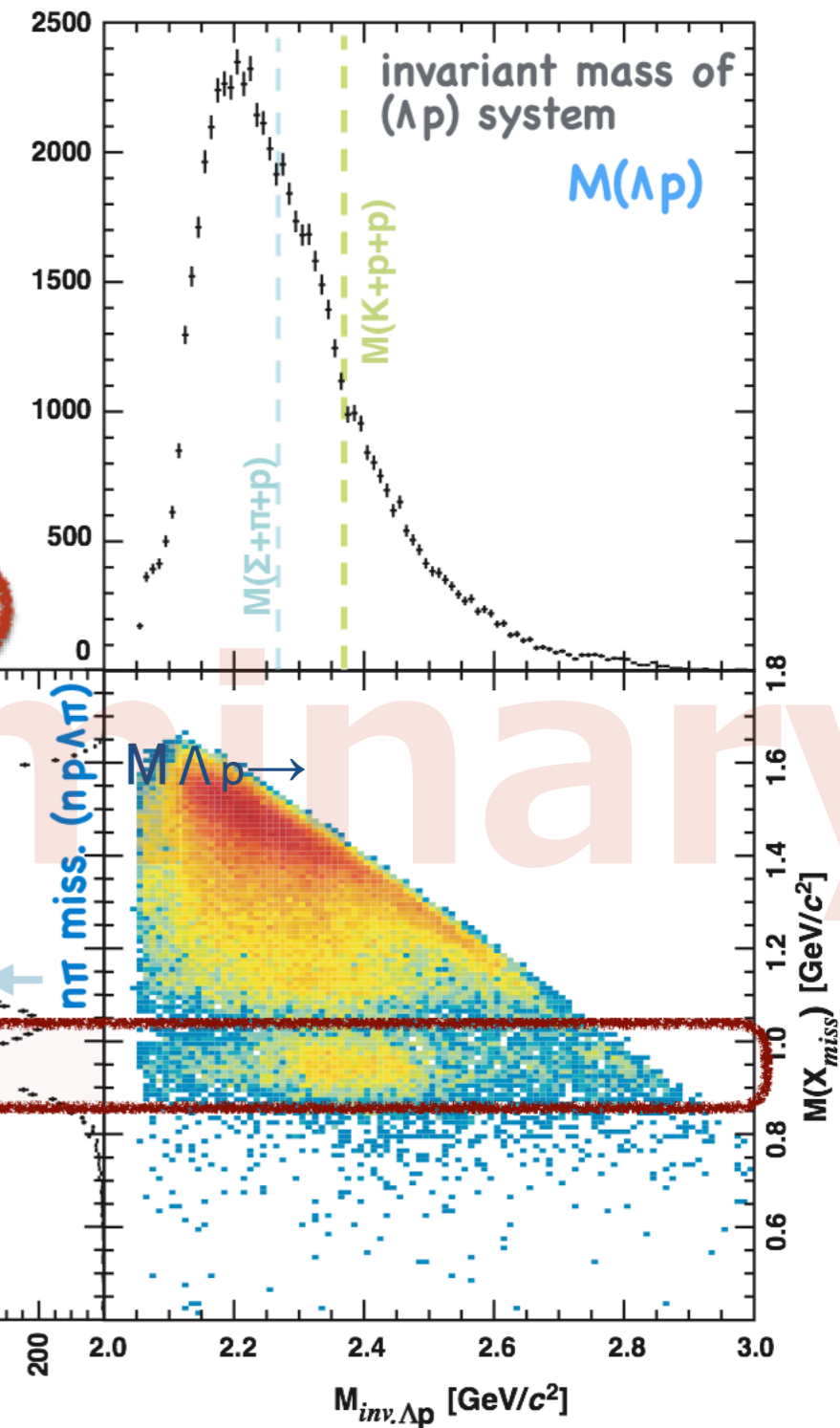
E15<sup>2nd</sup>

3 days → 3 weeks w/ higher priority to  $\Lambda p$  in CDS



~ 6 times more data for forward neutron

~ 30 times more data for  $\Lambda p n$  final state



mass of missing particle

$n$ -window

$n\pi$  miss. ( $n p \Sigma^0$ )

$n$  miss. ( $n p \Lambda$ )

$n\pi$  miss. ( $n p \Lambda \pi$ )

$M_{\Lambda p}$

$M(X_{\text{mis}})$

1800

1600

1400

1200

1000

800

600

400

200

10

2.0

2.2

2.4

2.6

2.8

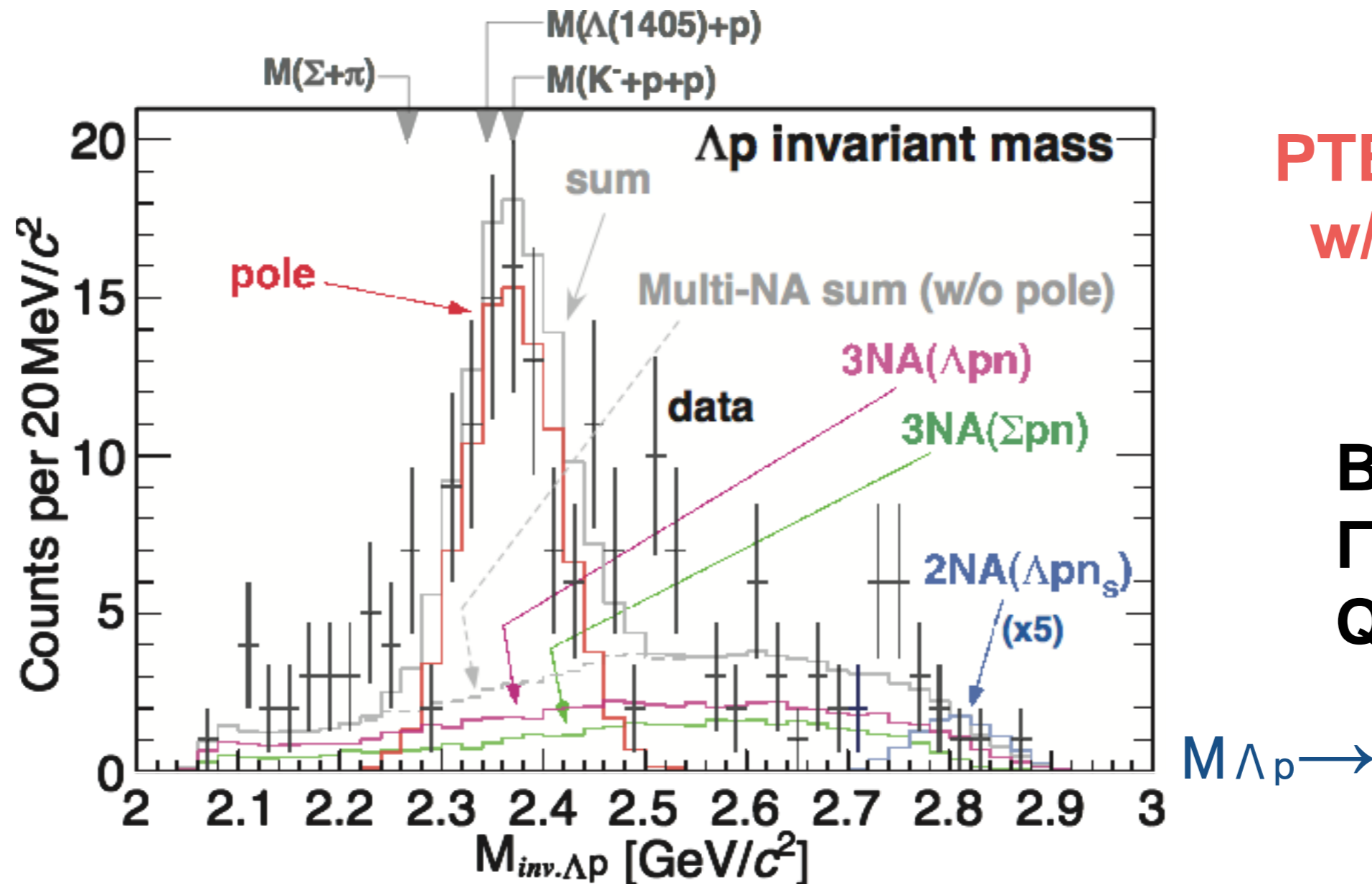
3.0

$M_{inv,\Lambda p}$  [GeV/c<sup>2</sup>]

$M(X_{\text{miss}})$  [GeV/c<sup>2</sup>]

# E15<sup>1st</sup> and E15<sup>2nd</sup> spectra consistent?

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_X}{dM_{inv.\Lambda p}dq} \propto \rho_3(\Lambda pn) \times \frac{(\Gamma_X/2)^2}{(M_{inv.\Lambda p} - M_X)^2 + (\Gamma_X/2)^2} \times |\exp(-q^2/2Q_X^2)|^2,$$

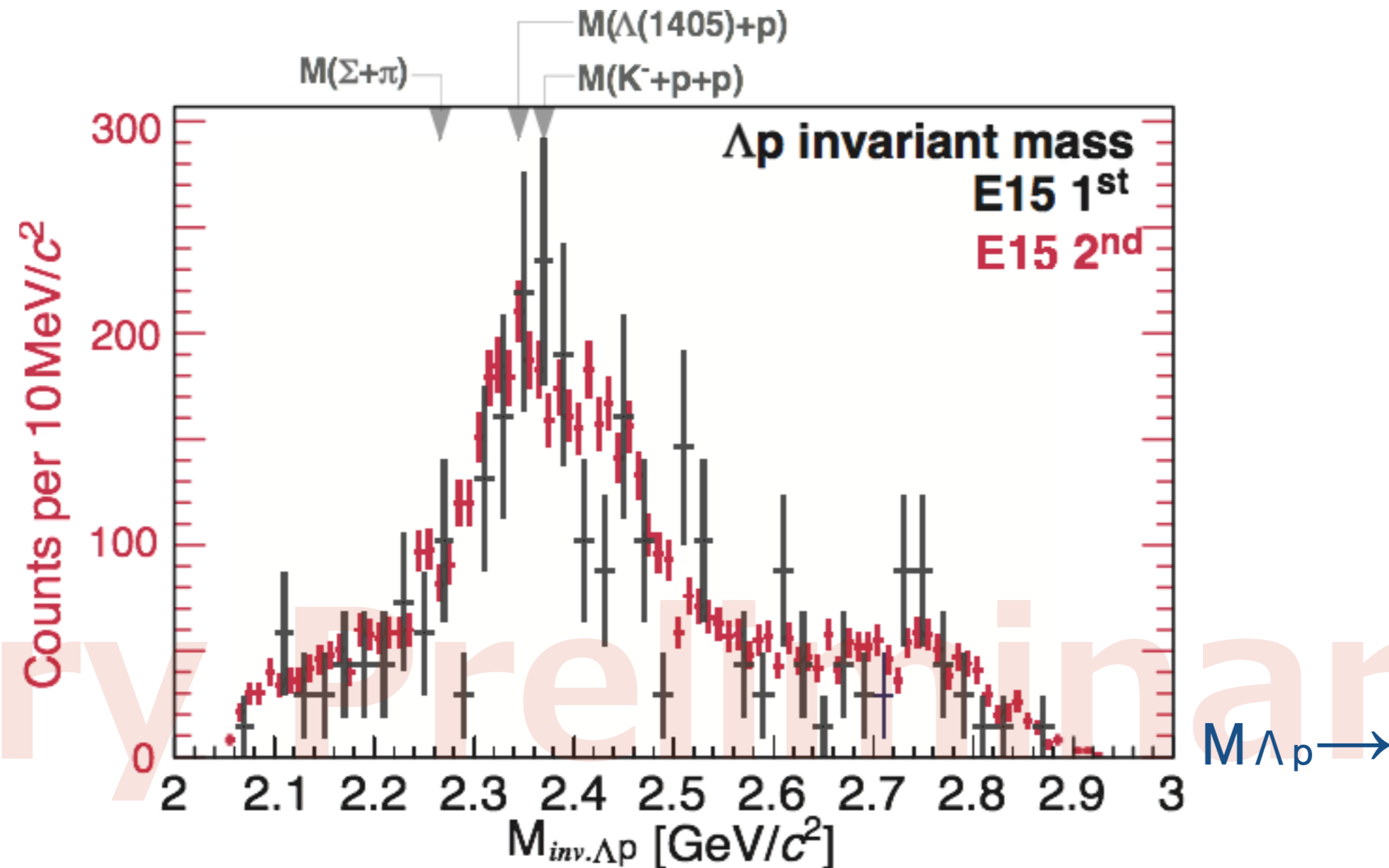


**PTEP(2016) fit  
w/ “single” peak**

**B(X) ~ 15 MeV  
Γ(X) ~ 110 MeV  
Q(X) ~ 400 MeV/c**

# E15<sup>1st</sup> and E15<sup>2nd</sup> spectra consistent?

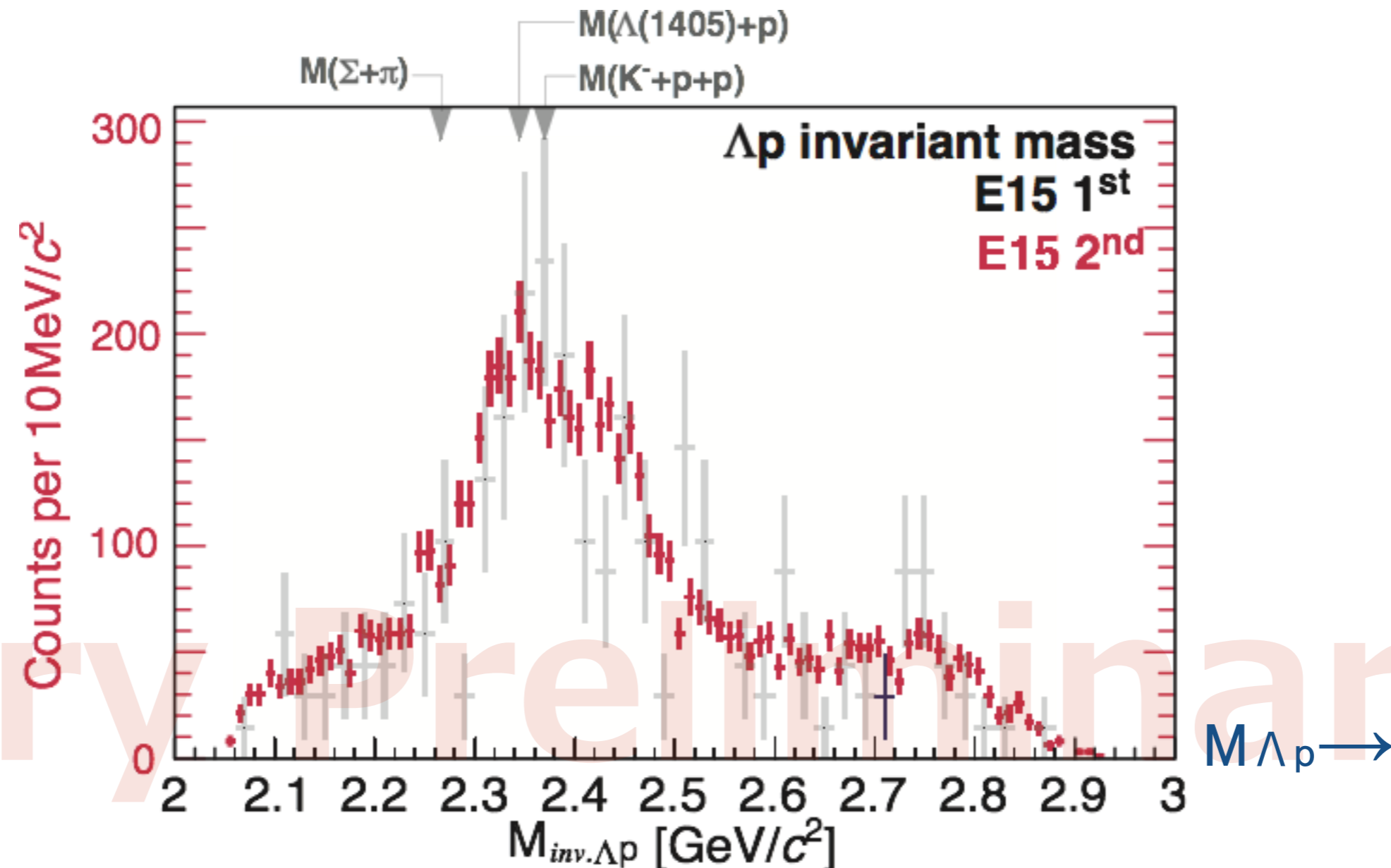
**YES! They are consistent!**



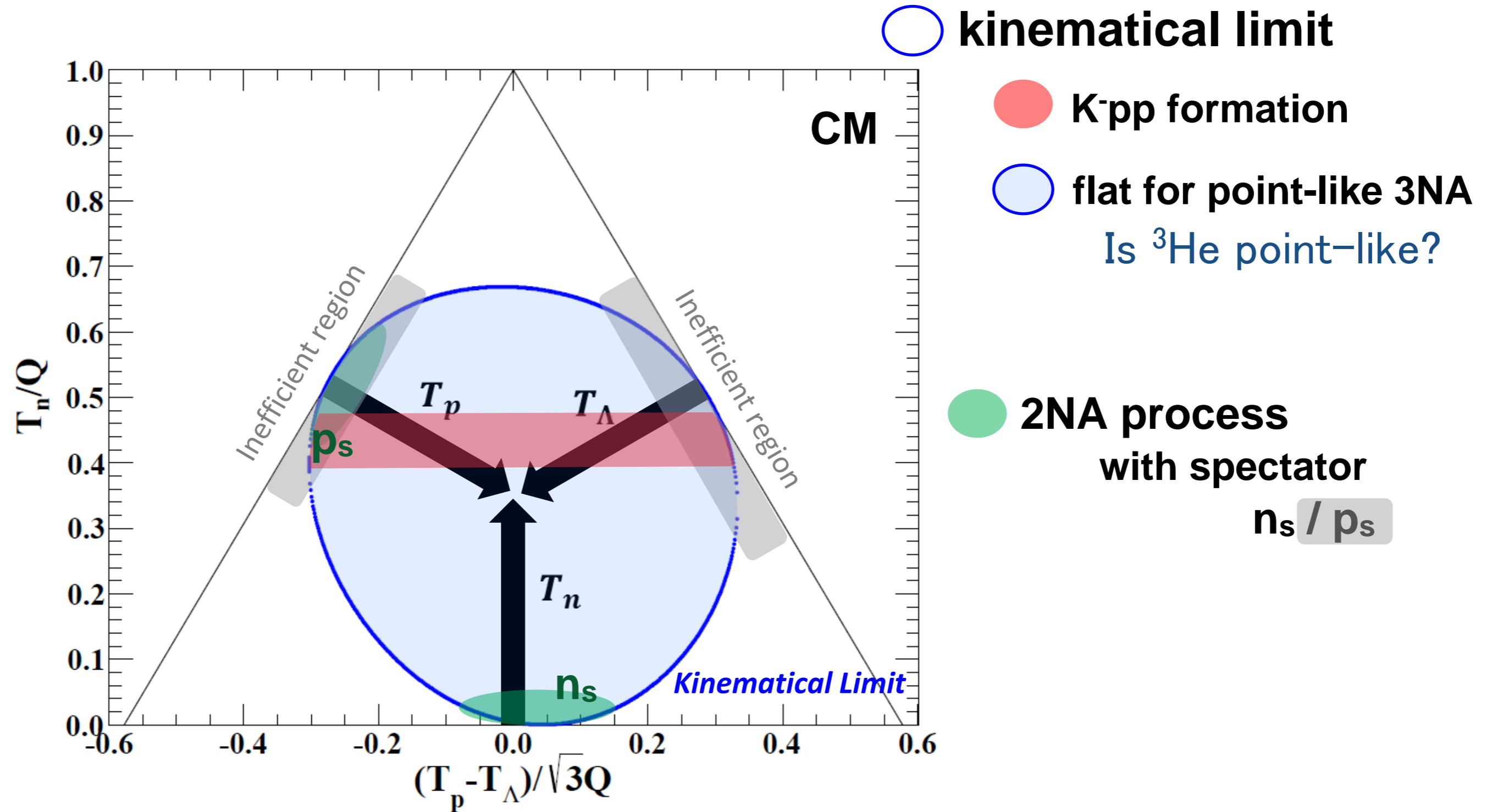
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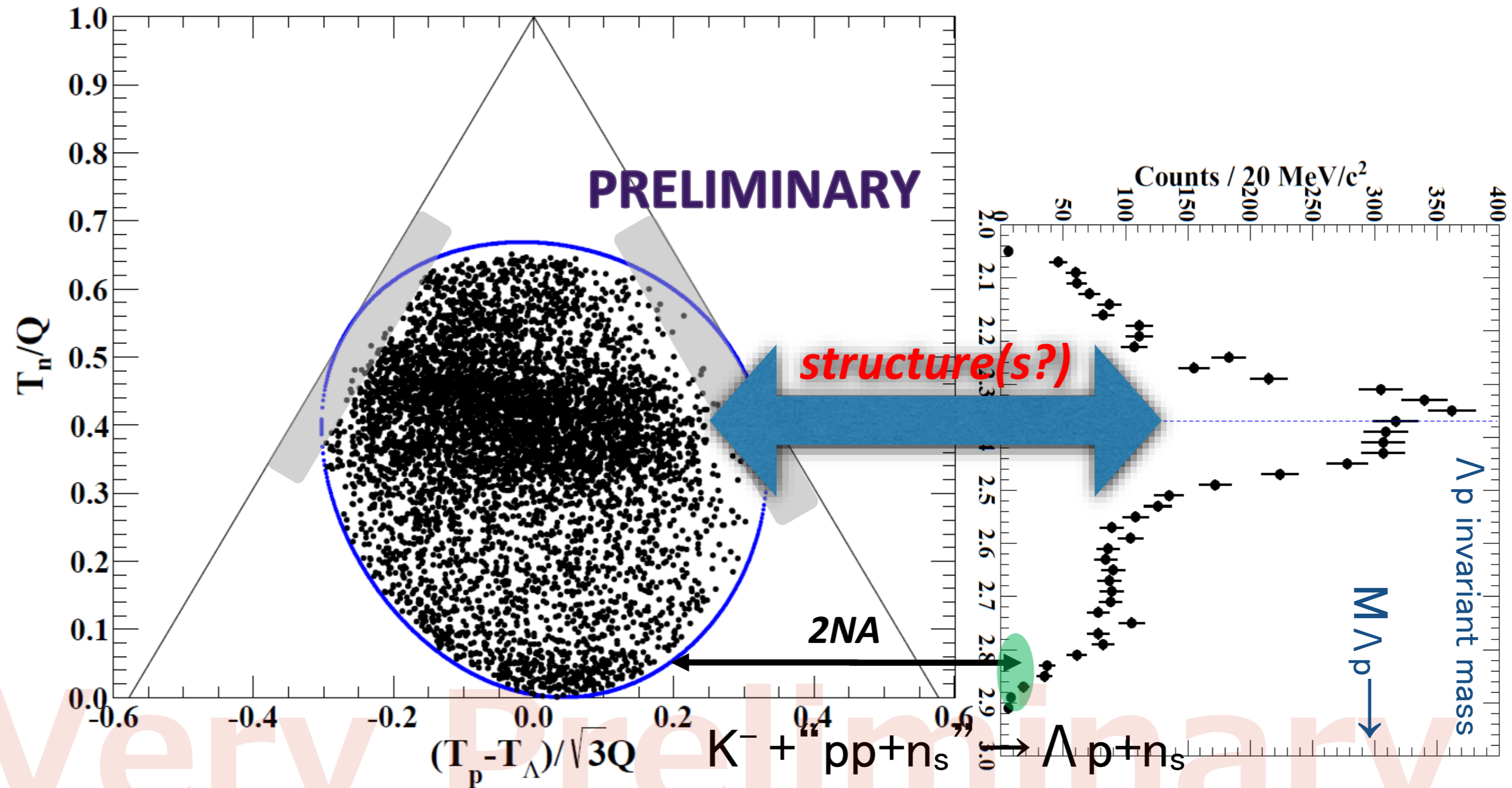
**E15<sup>2nd</sup> spectrum does not allow single pole assumption**



# Dalitz Plot of $\Lambda pn$



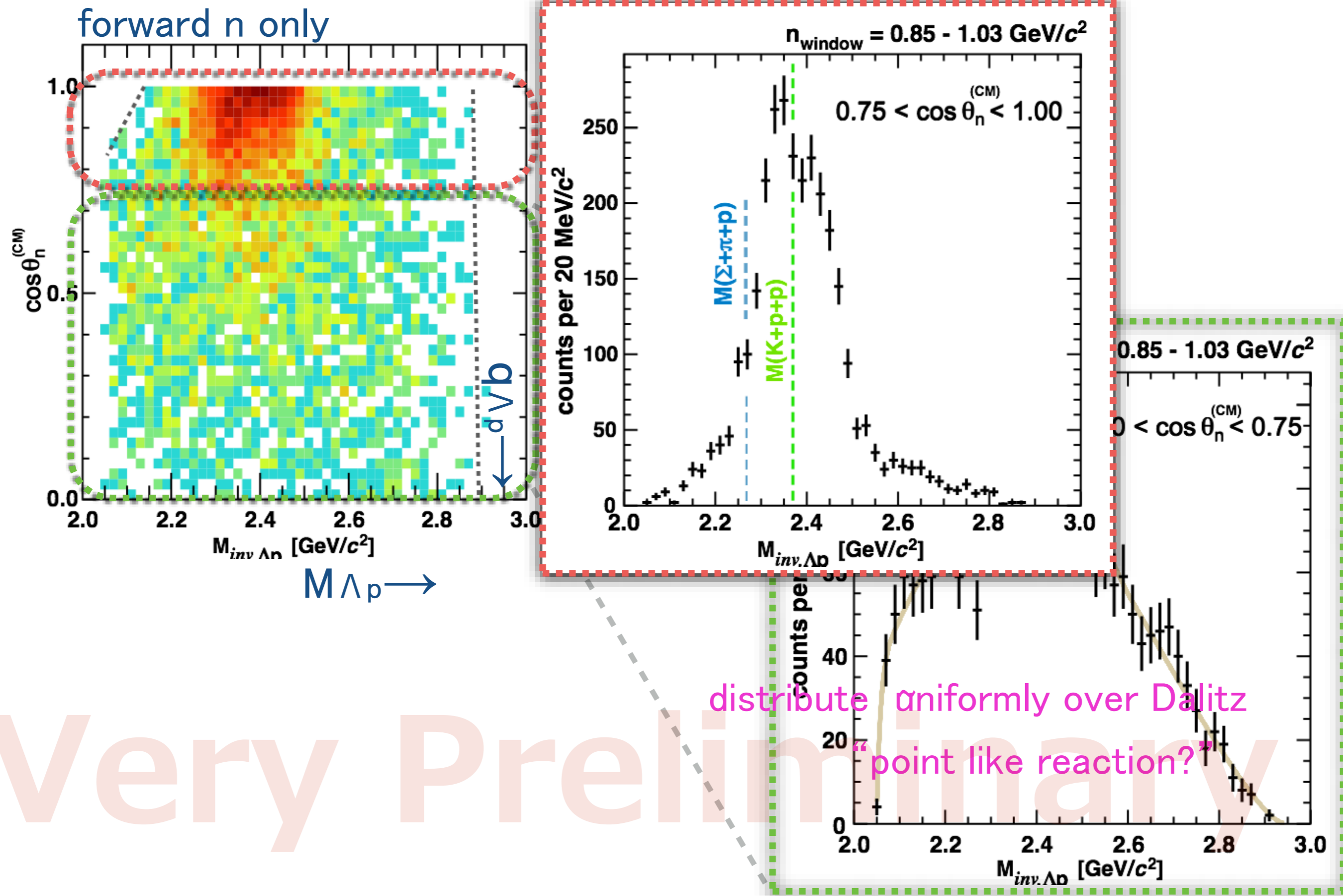
# Dalitz Plot of $\Lambda pn$



**${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n:$**

**Angular Dependence of n in CM**

# ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$ : Angular Dependence





${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n:$

Angular Dependence of  $n$  in CM

**in more detail  
as a clue to understand**

${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n:$

Angular Dependence of  $n$  in CM

**two components exist?**

**if that is the case,**

**bound region :**  
**forward peaking**

weakly depend to  $\cos \theta$

**unbound region :**  
**very forward peaking**

bit strongly depend to  $\cos \theta$

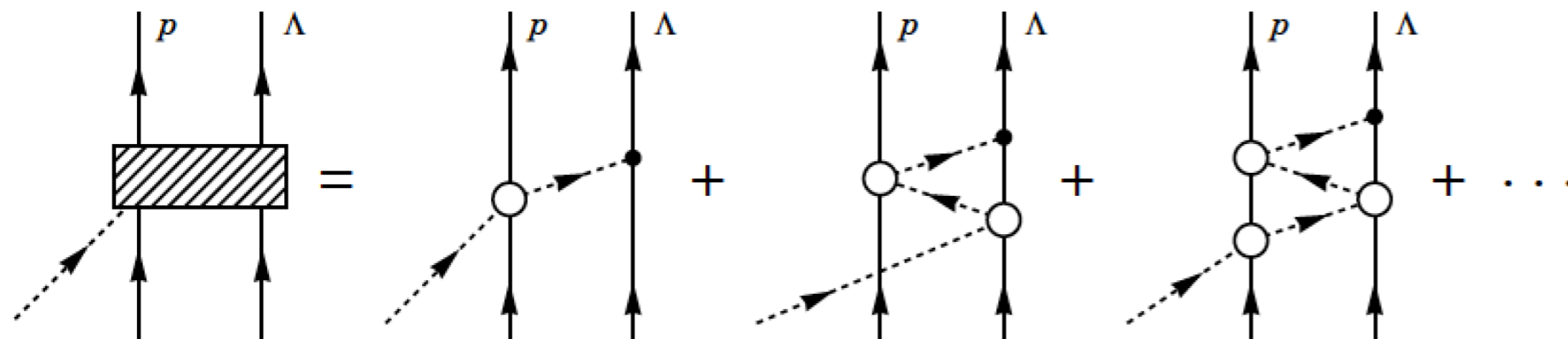
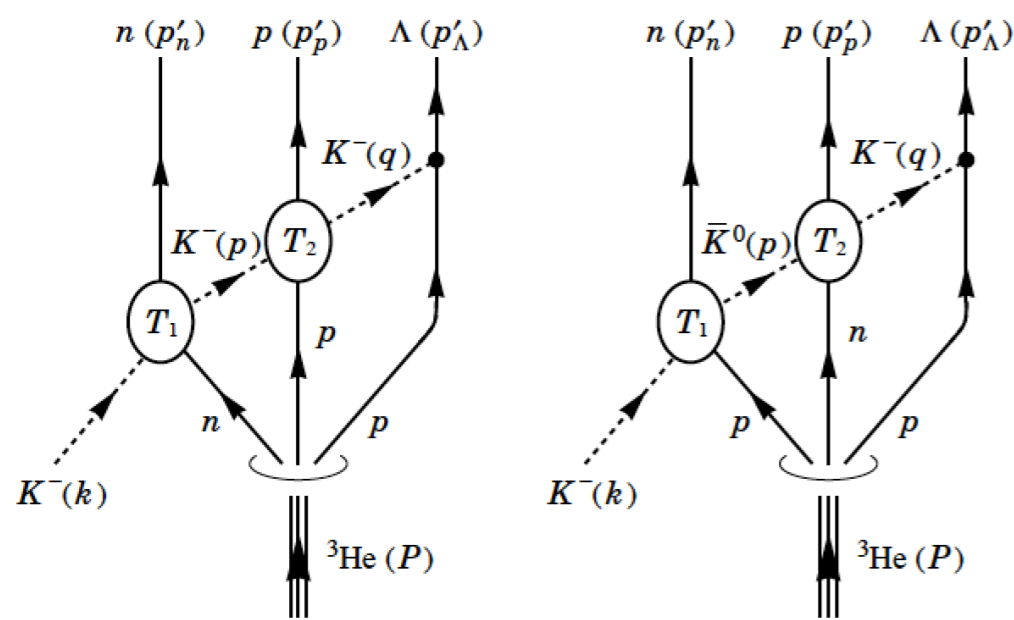
lower  $Q_K$  preferred

# ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$ :

Not like semi-inclusive spectrum,  
 “quasi-free K” excluded by the final state:  $\Lambda pn$ ,  
 but still need to ask ...

Structure can be explained with quasi-elastic K scattering

through uncorrelated  $\Lambda(1405)p$  channel



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## On the structure observed in the in-flight ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$ reaction at J-PARC

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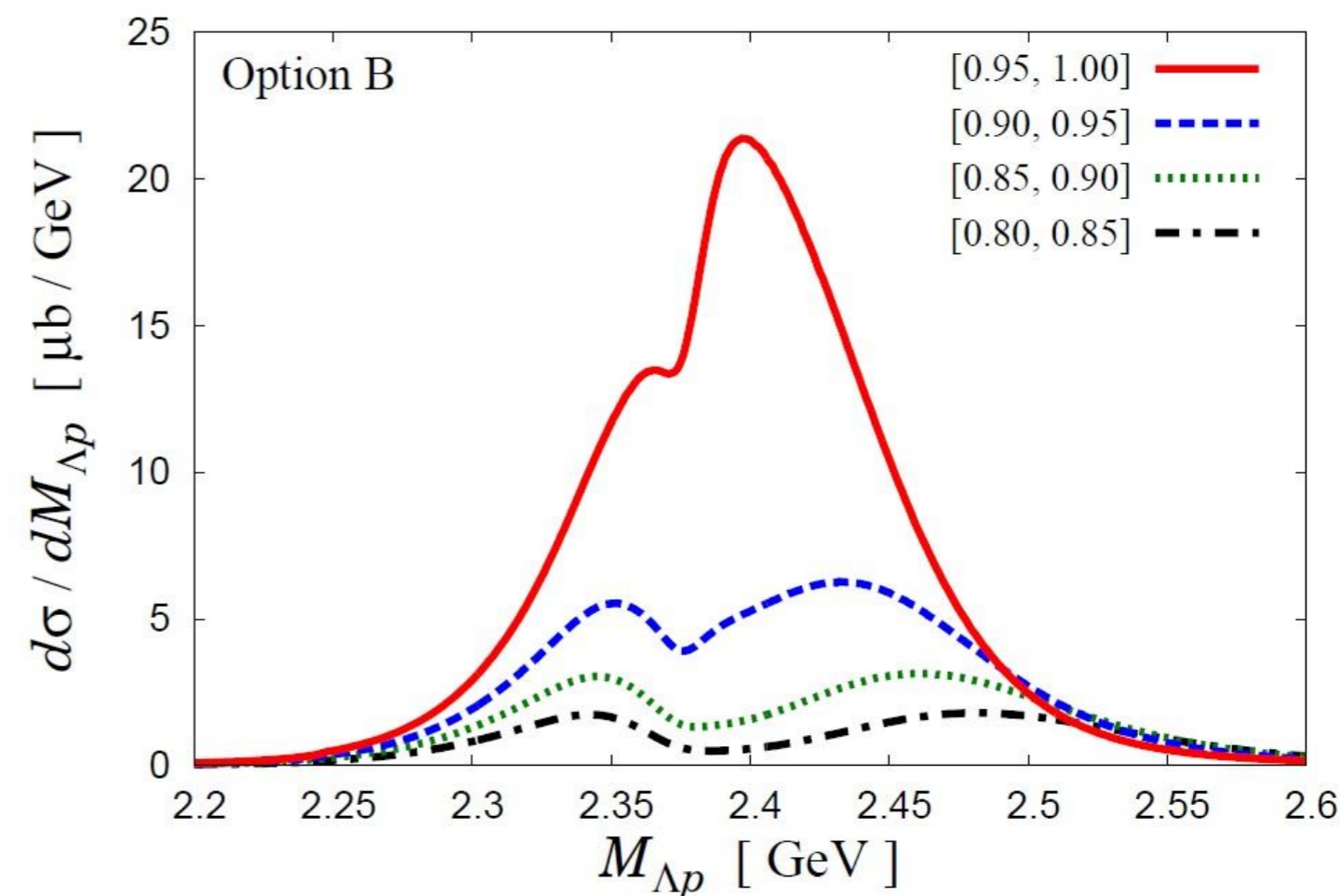
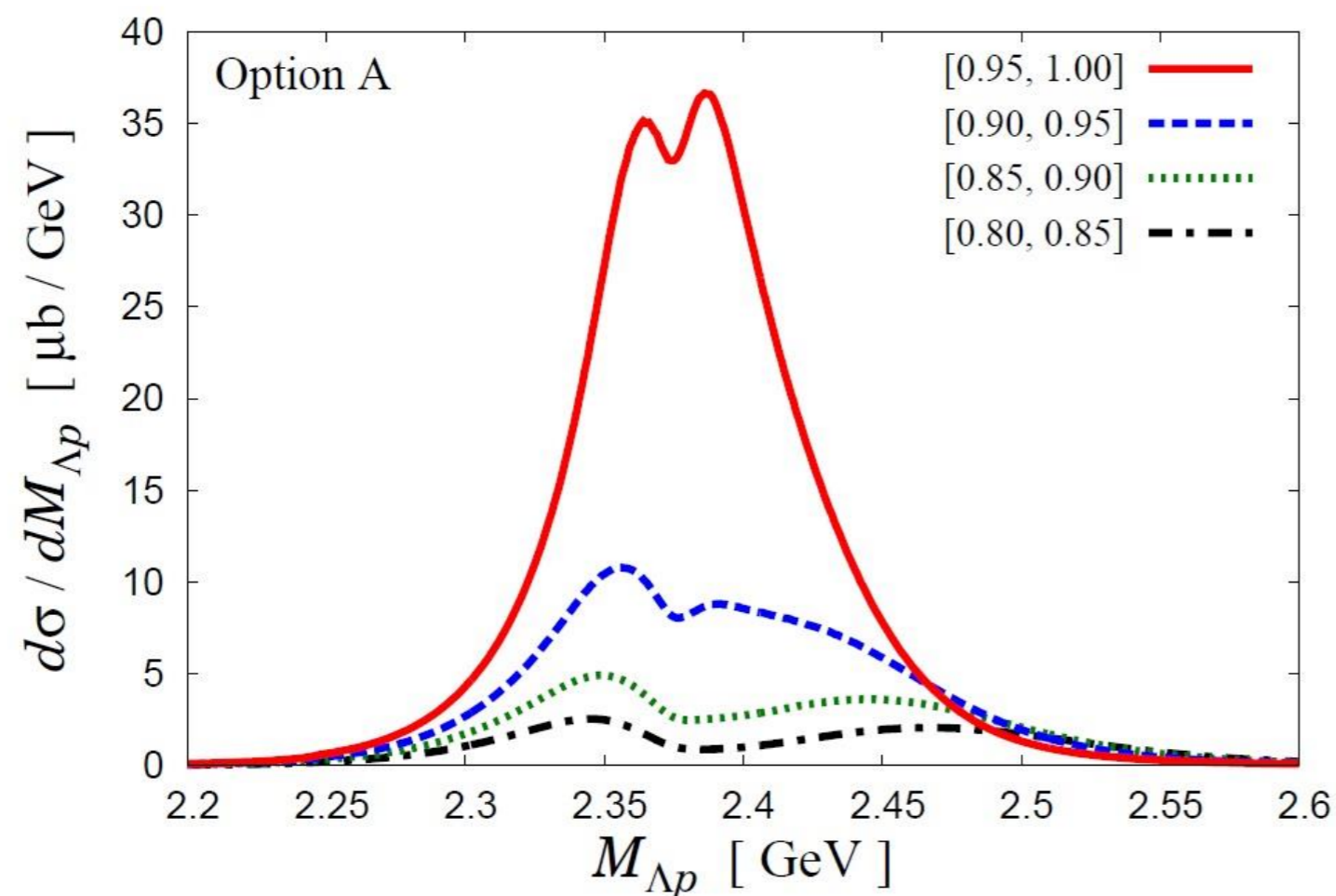
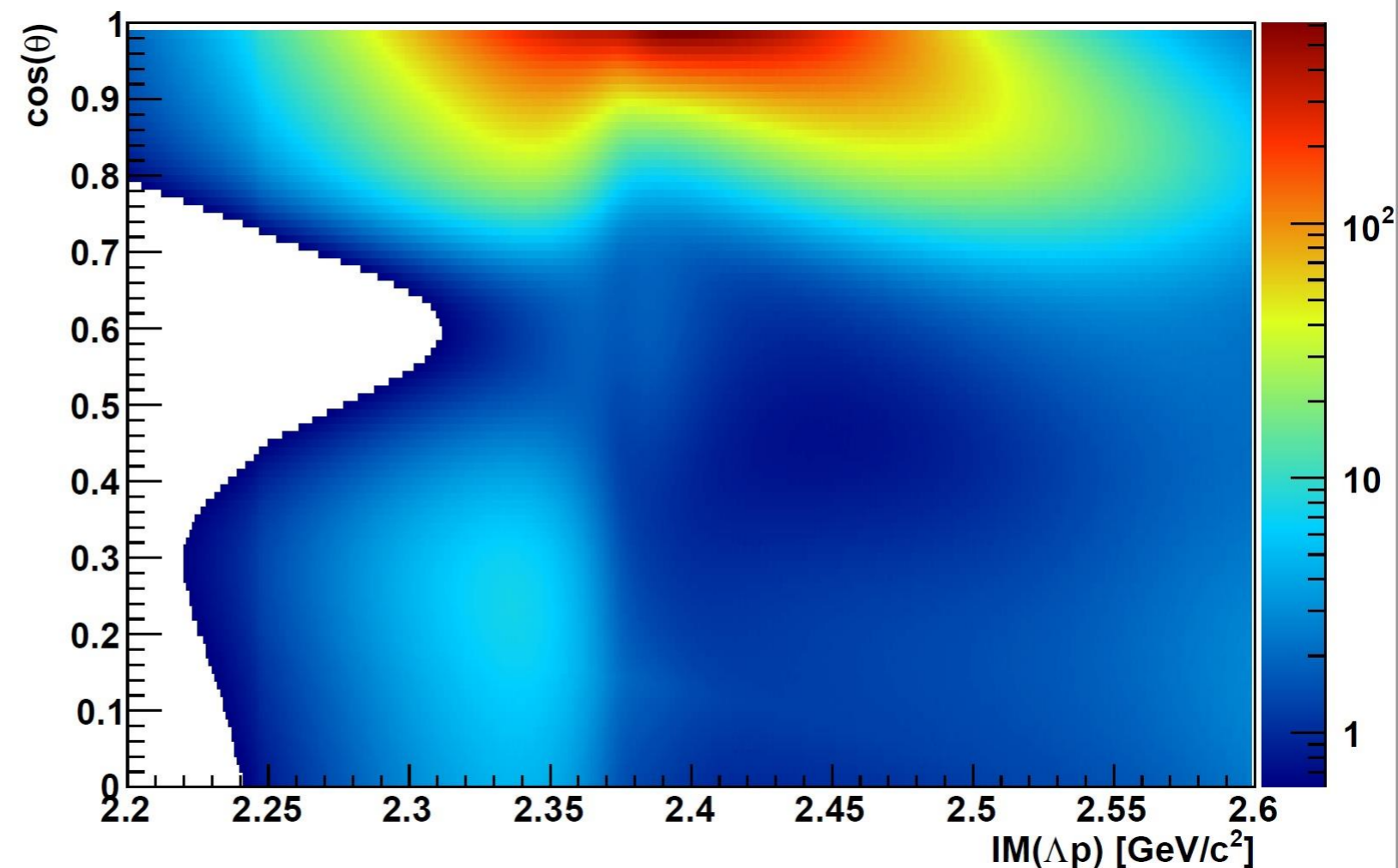
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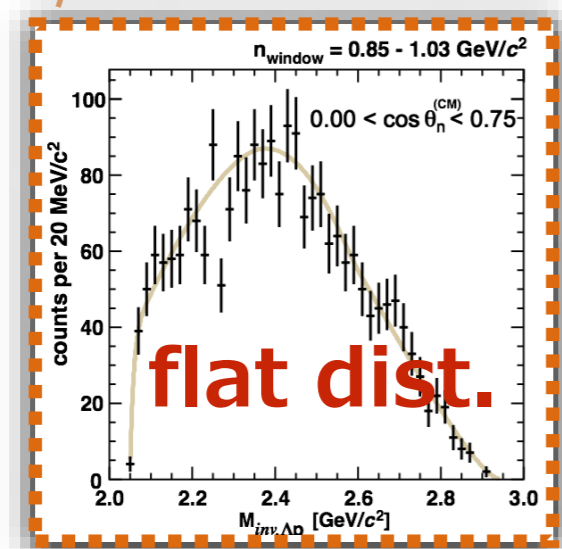
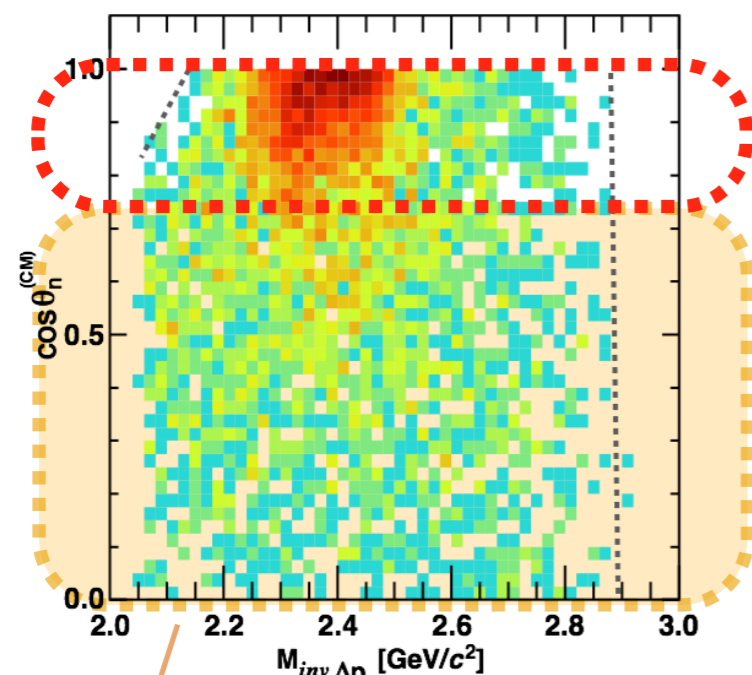
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Sekihara's calculation with QF-K and K-pp explains well the E15  $\cos\theta_{\text{cm}}$  distributions

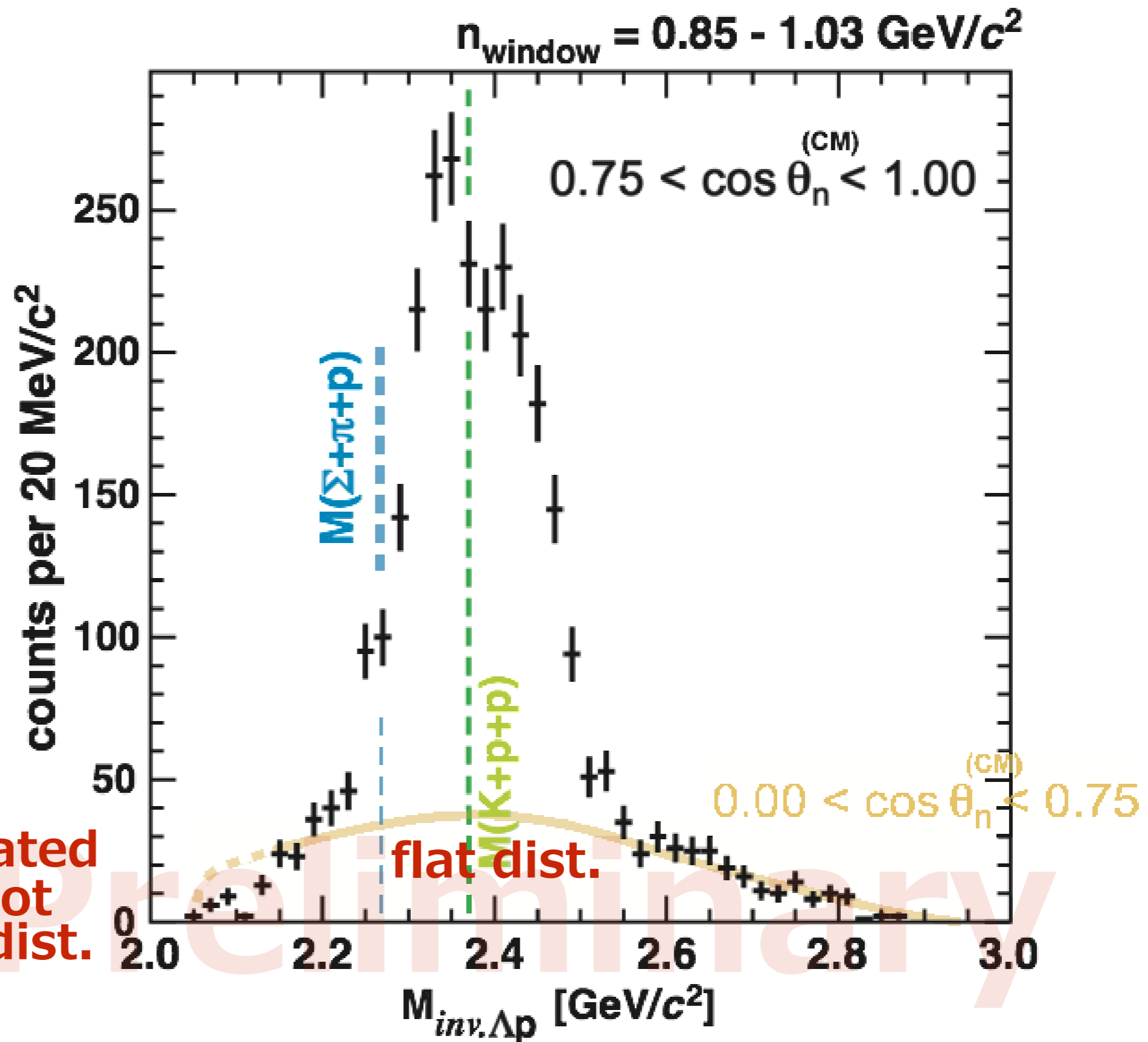
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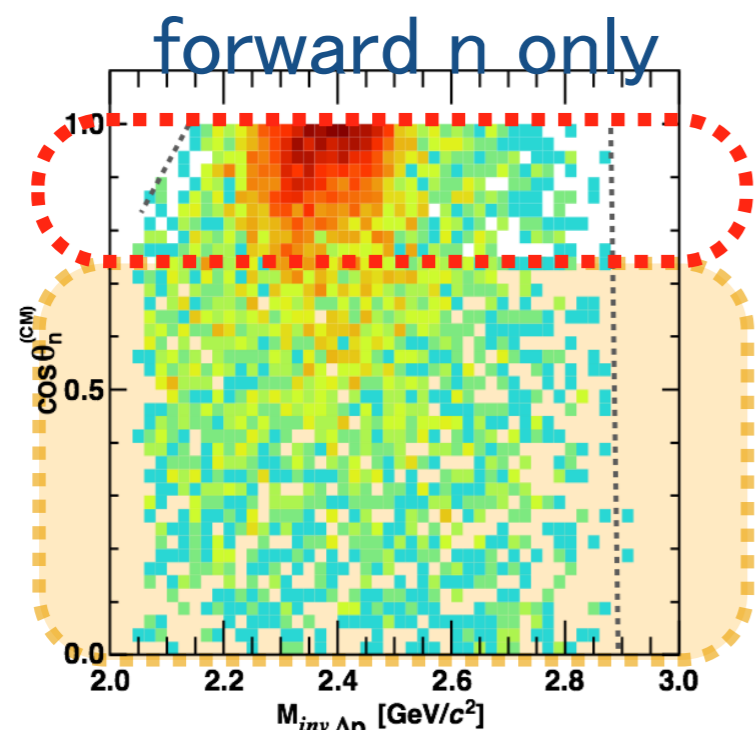
# ${}^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n:$



assuming uncorrelated  
 $\Lambda * p$  channel do not  
interfere with flat dist.

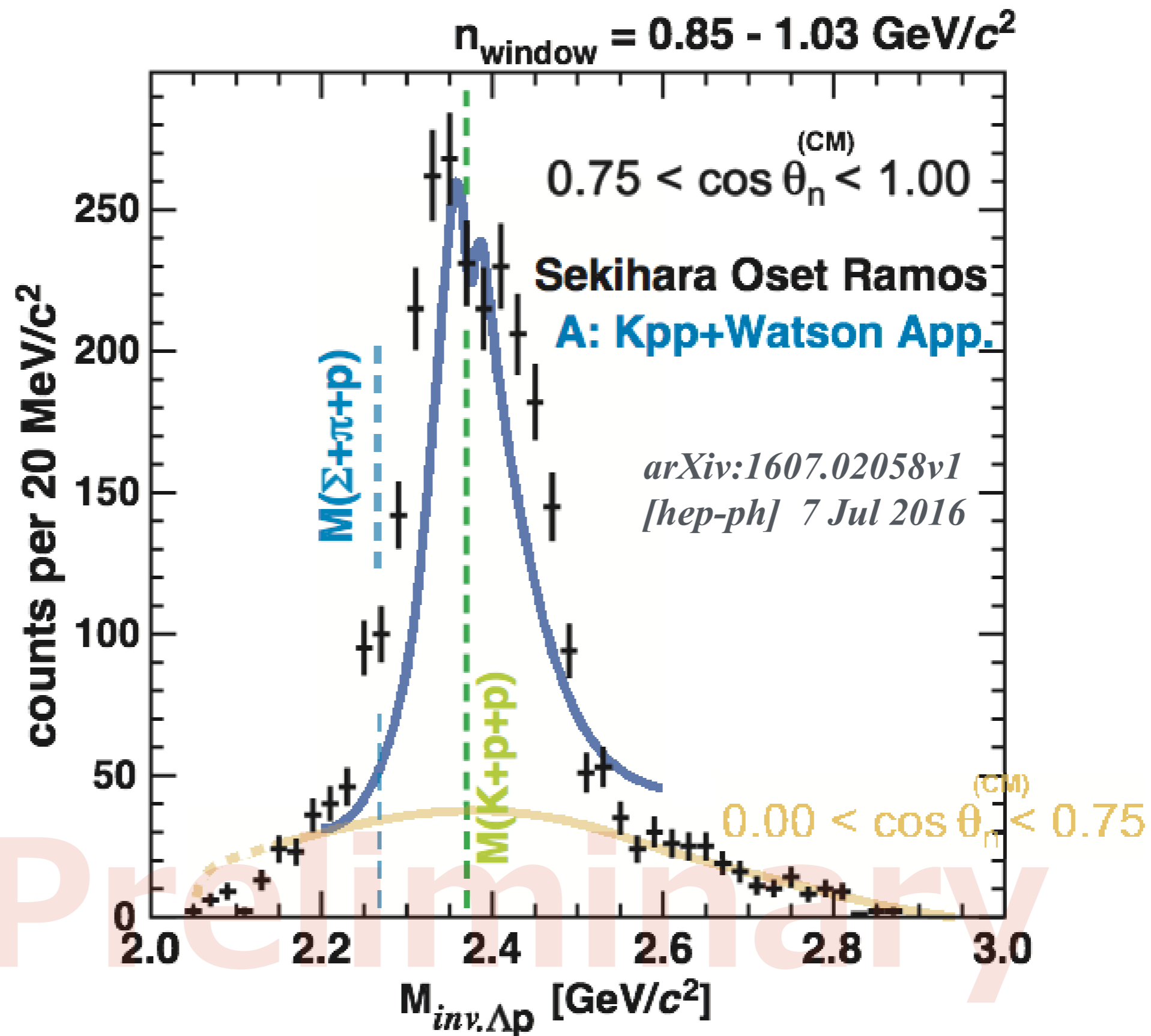


# $^3\text{He}(K^-, \Lambda p)n$ : comparison



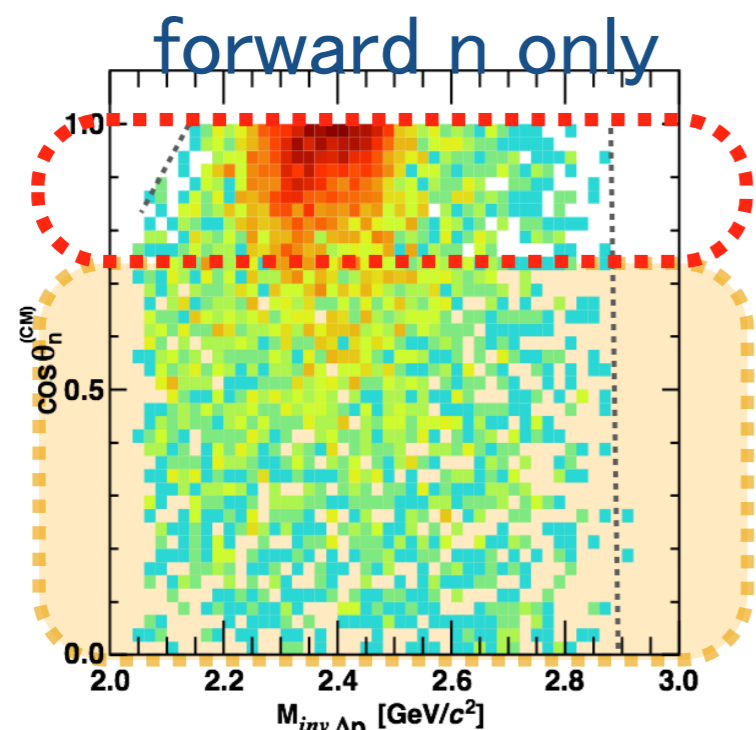
QE + “Kpp”

K multiple scattering

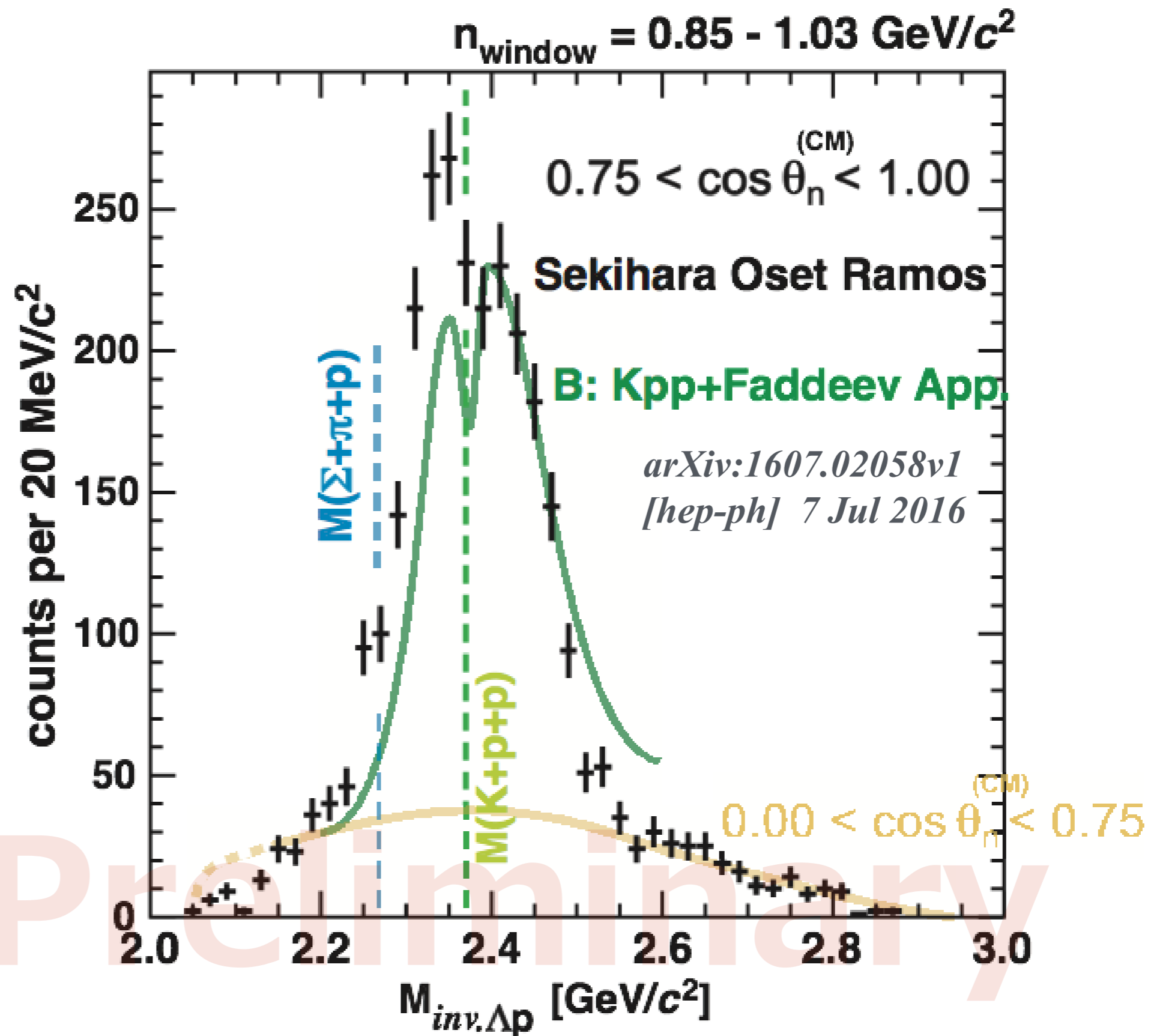


Very Preliminary

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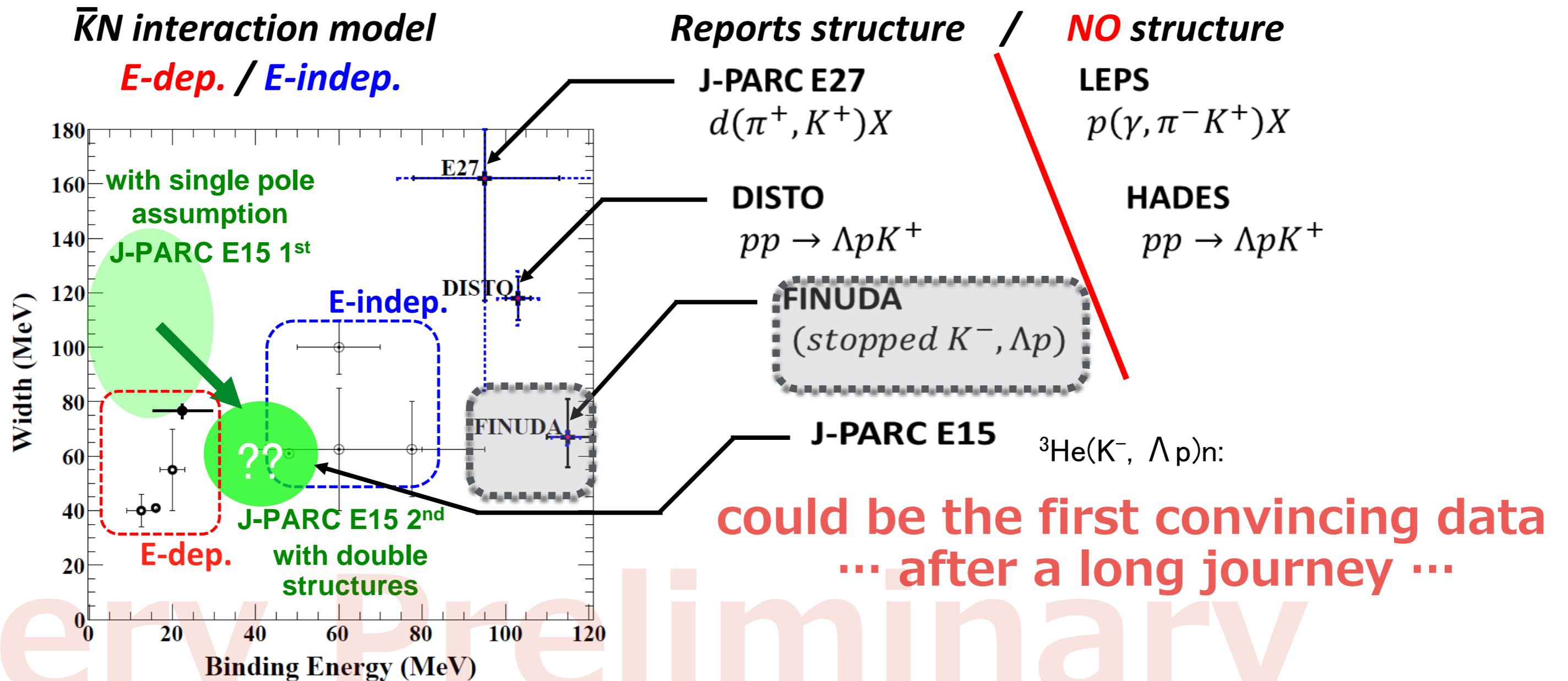
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# Recent status of $K^-pp$ bound state

## Recent results

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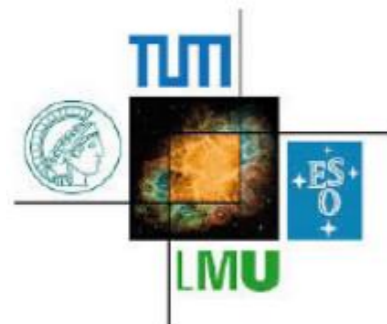
### ► Experiments







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# THANKS

