

Spectroscopy with Quasi-real Photoproduction at the EIC

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Exotic heavy meson spectroscopy
and structure with the EIC

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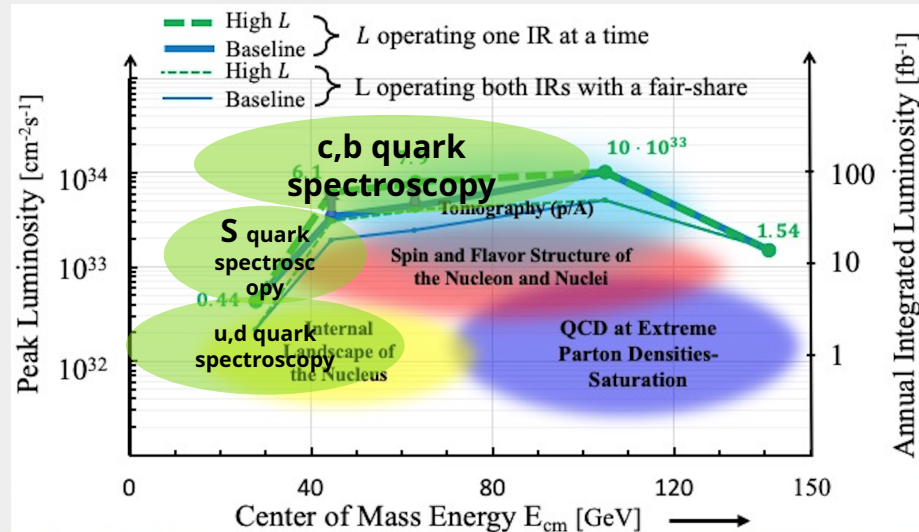
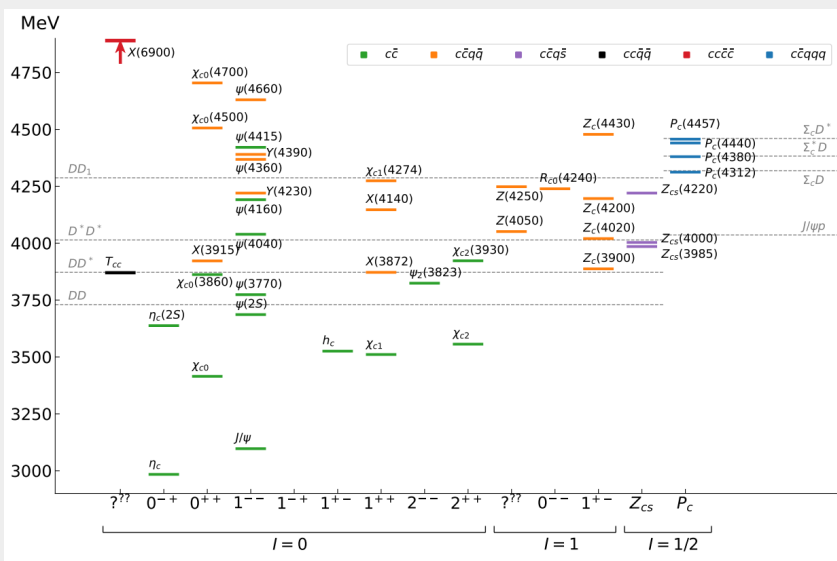
Why Quasi-real Photoproduction?

- 1) Identify photoproduction of the narrow XYZ states. Typically these have only been seen in 1 production mechanism and photoproduction offers a clean mechanism whereby any resonance should be able to be photoproduced and therefore we would validate if these are real poles.
- 2) As photoproduction can produce any state we may see states that haven't been produced in other mechanisms. For example no "exotic" tensor mesons have been identified yet.
- 3) Photoproduction offers a means to determine quantum numbers of produced states, in particular we may search for broader overlapping states. Polarised beams give us a greater handle on this.
- 4) The nature of the observed states is a matter of great discussion. How these states behave in different production mechanism can help us understand the underlying dynamics (tetraquark, molecules, hybrids). Things like photocouplings, polarisations or even Q² dependences can be helpful here.

Charmonium-like Spectroscopy & EIC

Many interesting states found

These states should be produced at EIC



Precision studies of QCD in the low energy domain of the EIC

Production rate estimates only

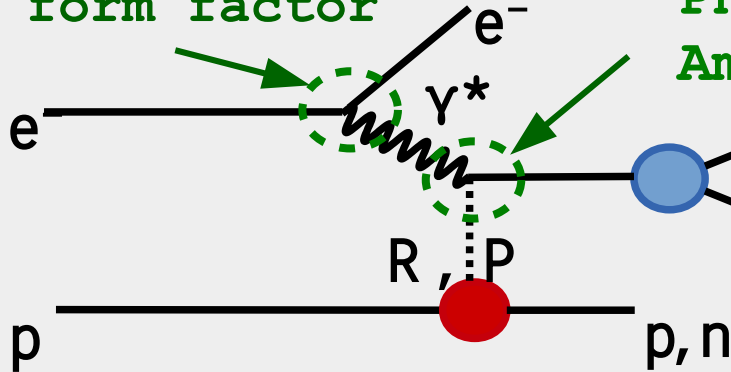
Detection not included

TABLE II. Summary of results for production of some states of interest at the EIC electron and proton beam momentum $5 \times 100(\text{GeV}/c)$ (for electron x proton). Columns show : the meson name; our estimate of the total cross section; production rate per day, assuming a luminosity of $6.1 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$; the decay branch to a particular measurable final state; its ratio; the rate per day of the meson decaying to the given final state.

Meson	Cross Section (nb)	Production rate (per day)	Decay Branch	Branch Ratio (%)	Events (per day)
$\chi_{c1}(3872)$	2.3	2.0 M	$J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$	5	6.1 k
$Y(4260)$	2.3	2.0 M	$J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$	1	1.2 k
$Z_c(3900)$	0.3	0.26 M	$J/\psi \pi^+$	10	1.6 k
$X(6900)$	0.015	0.013 M	$J/\psi J/\psi$	100	46
$Z_{cs}(4000)$	0.23	0.20 M	$J/\psi K^+$	10	1.2 k
$Z_b(10610)$	0.04	0.034 M	$\Upsilon(2S) \pi^+$	3.6	24

Quasi-real Photoproduction

Virtual photon flux
+ form factor



Photoproduction → from jpacPhoto
Amplitudes
based on
Regge exchanges
and VMD

$$\frac{d^4 \sigma}{ds dQ^2 d\phi dt} = \frac{d^2 \sigma_{e, \gamma^* e'}}{ds dQ^2} \cdot \frac{d^2 \sigma_{\gamma^* + p \rightarrow V + p}(s, Q^2)}{d\phi dt}$$

$$L = \frac{1 + (1-y)^2}{y} - \frac{2m_e^2 y}{Q^2}$$

$$K = \frac{W^2 - M^2}{2M} = v(1-x) = Ey(1-x) = v - \frac{Q^2}{2M}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{e, \gamma^* e'}}{ds dQ^2} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{K \cdot L}{E} \cdot \frac{1}{Q^2} \cdot \frac{1}{(s - M^2 + Q^2)}$$

Photon flux rises rapidly as :
 $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$; $W = \sqrt{s} \rightarrow M(\text{proton})$

Leads to high production rates

Inclusive elSpectro algorithm

Specify meson - baryon final state e.g. $\rho + \text{proton}$; $Z_c + \Delta$

Use PDG to define decay branches of meson and baryon

Use JPACPhoto to define photoproduction amplitude

Numerically Integrate 2D xsection (t) to get function of s: $XS_i(s)$

Use integration samples for initial sampling envelope in t SE(t:s)

Integrate 3D xsection (s,t,Q2) TotXS_i, for reaction rate

Choose meson - baryon final state i based on TotXS_i(s)

Sample (s, Q2) from virtual photon flux

Accept/Reject event on $XS_i(s) * F(Q2)$, where $F(Q2) \rightarrow H1$ param.

Choose decay channels for all subsequent meson/baryon decays, based on branch ratios

Sample intermediate masses, and N-body mass phase space

Sample t from sampling envelope SE(t:s) at current s, save sample weight SW

Calculate XS(s,t,Mmeson,Mbaryon,Q2) Accept/Reject accounting for SW

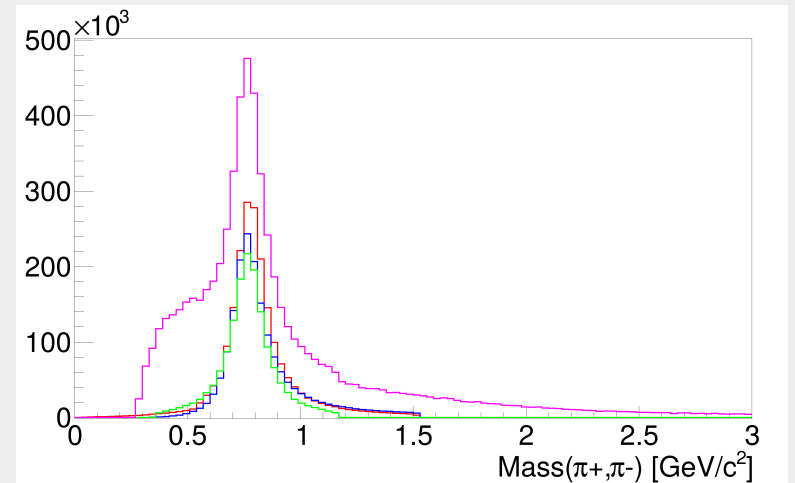
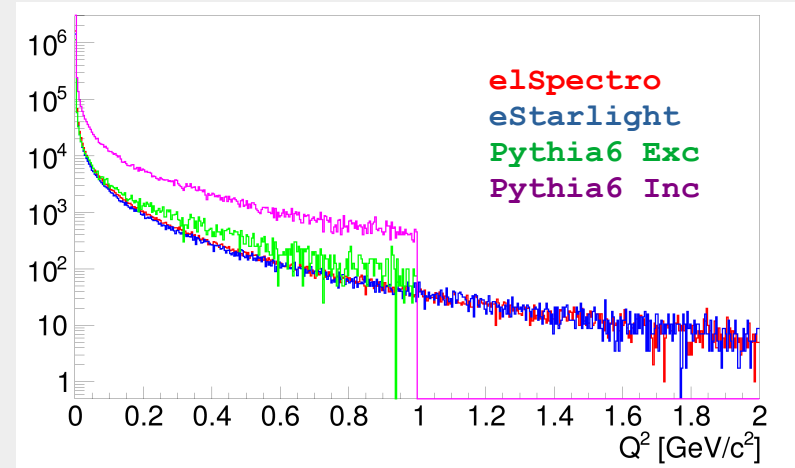
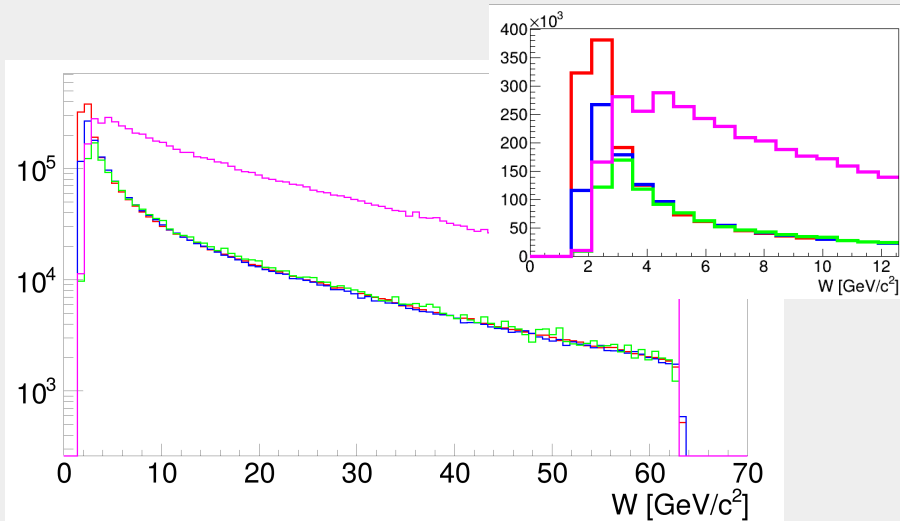
Fully decay meson and baryon final states

ρ Quasi-real Photoproduction

Benchmark elSpectro 10x100 versus :
eStarlight
EIC Pythia6 (SIDIS/pythia-eic/1.0.0)

Relative Scaling arbitrary,
elSpectro normalised to 1 minute@ 6.1×10^{33}

elSpectro cross section 1.3x larger
than eStarlight, mostly at low W .
- effect of f_2 exchanges in JPAC model



Generator has all X Decays

$\chi_{c1}(3872)$

$$\pi^+\pi^-J/\psi(1S) \quad (3.5 \pm 0.9)\%$$

$$\omega J/\psi(1S) \quad (4.1 \pm 1.4)\%$$

$J/\psi(1S)$

$$e^+e^- \quad (5.971 \pm 0.032)\%$$

$$\mu^+\mu^- \quad (5.961 \pm 0.033)\%$$

$\omega(782)$

$$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0 \quad (89.2 \pm 0.7)\%$$

$$\pi^0\gamma \quad (8.35 \pm 0.27)\%$$

$\chi_{c1}(3872)$

$$D^0\bar{D}^0\pi^0 \quad (45 \pm 21)\%$$

$$\bar{D}^{*0}D^0 \quad (34 \pm 12)\%$$

D^0

$$K^-\pi^+ \quad (3.947 \pm 0.030)\%$$

$$K^-\pi^+\pi^0 \quad ^{[5]} (14.4 \pm 0.6)\%$$

Branching Ratios to detectable final states

$$X \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^- = 0.0021$$

$$X \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0 = 0.0022$$

$$X \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0 = 0.0007$$

$$X \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0 = 0.0048$$

$$X \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0\pi^0 = 0.0088$$

Requires detection of 10 particles + e⁻, p⁺

Virtual Photon Polarisation

Photon density matrix as $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$

$$\rho_\gamma(\Phi) = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \epsilon \cos 2\Phi \sigma_x - \epsilon \sin 2\Phi \sigma_y - P_{beam} \sqrt{1 - \epsilon^2} \sigma_z \right)$$

ϵ = degree of virtual photon polarisation

P_{beam} = degree of longitudinal e- beam polarisation

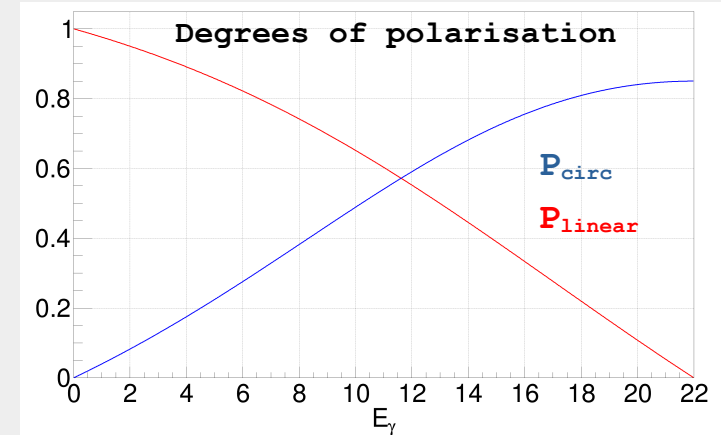
Φ = angle between scattering and production planes

Very similar to real photon

Requires determination of ϵ ($E_{e'}$, θ_e) and Φ

i.e. full scattered e- momentum

Get event-by-event polarisation



Production Amplitudes

$$\mathcal{I}(\Omega, \Phi) = \mathcal{I}^0(\Omega) - \mathcal{P}.\mathcal{I}^1(\Omega) \cos 2\Phi - \mathcal{P}.\mathcal{I}^2(\Omega) \sin 2\Phi.$$

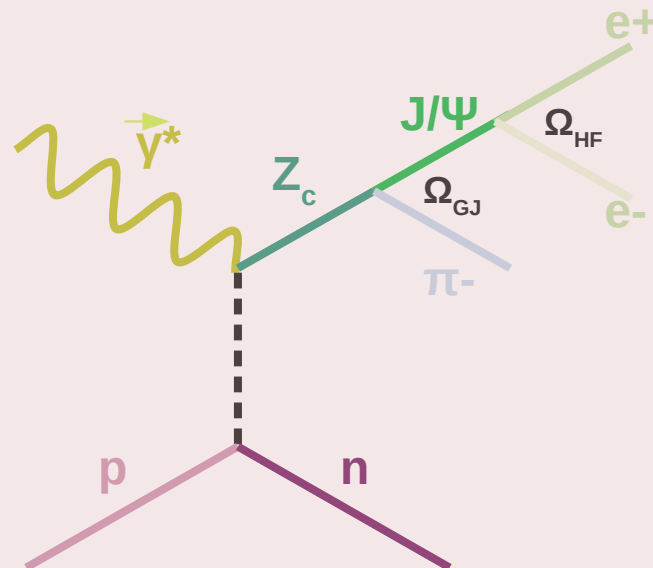
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}^\alpha(\Omega, \Phi) = & \sum_{r,r'} \sum_{m,m'} \sum_{\lambda,\lambda'} \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{4\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{2s+1}{4\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{2l'+1}{4\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{2s'+1}{4\pi}} \\ & \times (l, 0; s, \lambda | j, \lambda) (l', 0; s', \lambda' | j', \lambda') \\ & \times D_{m,\lambda}^j(\phi_{GJ}, \theta_{GJ}, 0) D_{\lambda,0}^s(\phi_{HF}, \theta_{HF}, 0) R_{Yi}(m_Y) \\ & \times D_{m',\lambda'}^{j'*}(\phi_{GJ}, \theta_{GJ}, 0) D_{\lambda',0}^{s'*}(\phi_{HF}, \theta_{HF}, 0) R_{Yi'}^*(m_Y) \times \rho_{rr',mm'}^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho_{rr',mm'}^0 = \sum_k T_{r,m}^{k,\eta} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta} + T_{r,m}^{k,\eta'} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta'},$$

$$\rho_{rr',mm'}^1 = \sum_k T_{r,m}^{k,\eta'} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta} + T_{r,m}^{k,\eta} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta'},$$

$$\rho_{rr',mm'}^2 = i \sum_k -T_{r,m}^{k,\eta'} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta} + T_{r,m}^{k,\eta} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta'},$$

$\mathbf{r} = \{j, l, s\} = \{j=1, l=(0,2), s=1\}$
 And $m = -1, 0, 1$ for $Z \rightarrow J/\Psi + \pi$
 k = spin of proton
 η = photon helicity



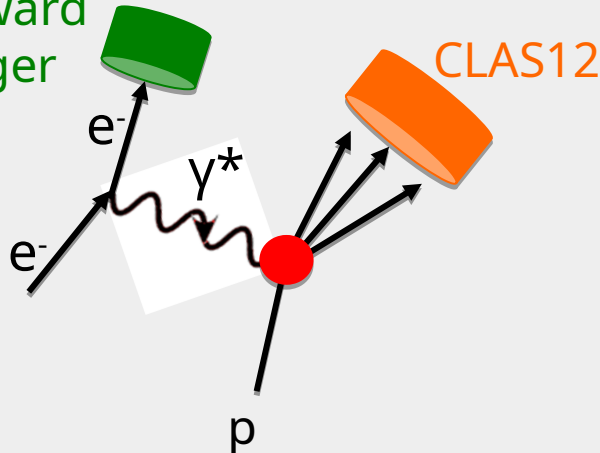
Could determine production amplitudes for partial waves in terms of J,L,S,M,P of resonance, photon helicity

Can this give any information on structure/nature ?

e.g $T_s/T_D \rightarrow 0$ "if molecular", large "if tetraquark"
 $|T^{\eta=+1}_{m=1} - T^{\eta=-1}_{m=-1}| \rightarrow 0$ "if tetraquark"

Quasi-real photoproduction - CLAS12

Forward
Tagger

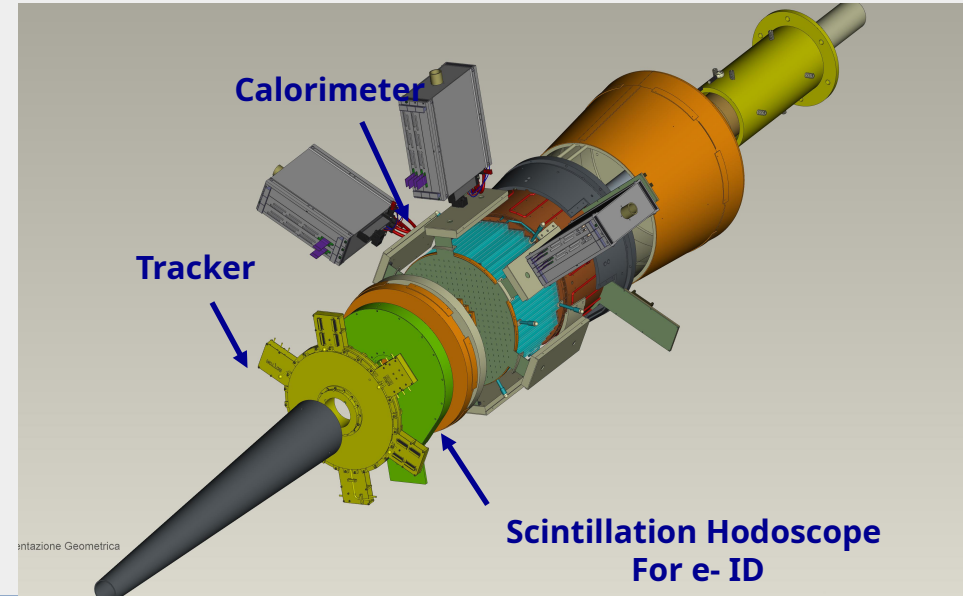


Quasi-real photoproduction:

- Detection of multiparticle final state from meson decay in the large acceptance spectrometer CLAS
- Detection of the scattered electron for the tagging of the quasi-real photon in the CLAS12 FT
- PbW Calorimeter $\rightarrow$ e^- momentum
- Scintillation Hodoscope $\rightarrow$ PID

Forward Tagger

E'	0.5-4.5 GeV
ν	6-10 GeV
θ	2.5-4.5 deg
Q^2	0.007 - 0.3 GeV ²
W	3.6-4.5 GeV
Photon Flux	$5 \times 10^7 \gamma/s$ @ $L_e=10^{35}$



CLAS12 – MesonEx

- Quasi-real photoproduction provides high flux of meson resonance production
- Tagging the photon with the Forward Tagger provides exclusive reactions
- Quasi-real photon has linear and circular polarisation, essential for Partial Wave Analysis
- Many reactions possible, currently studying : $\pi^+\pi^-$; $\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$; K^+K^- ; $K^+K^-\pi^+$.
- Example distributions from $\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$:

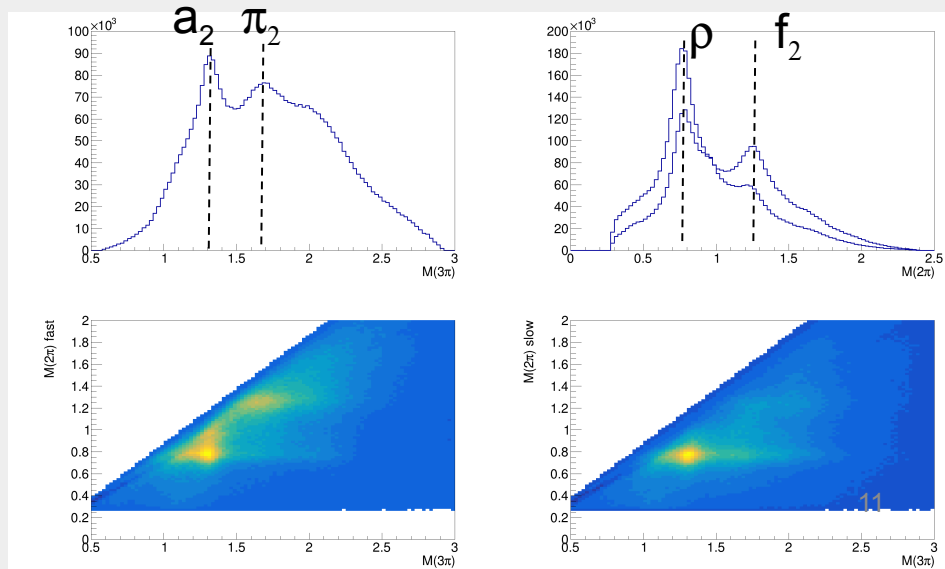


Fig. Mass distributions for $\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$ final state.

Top Left : Total 3 π mass distribution

Top Right : 2 π mass distributions

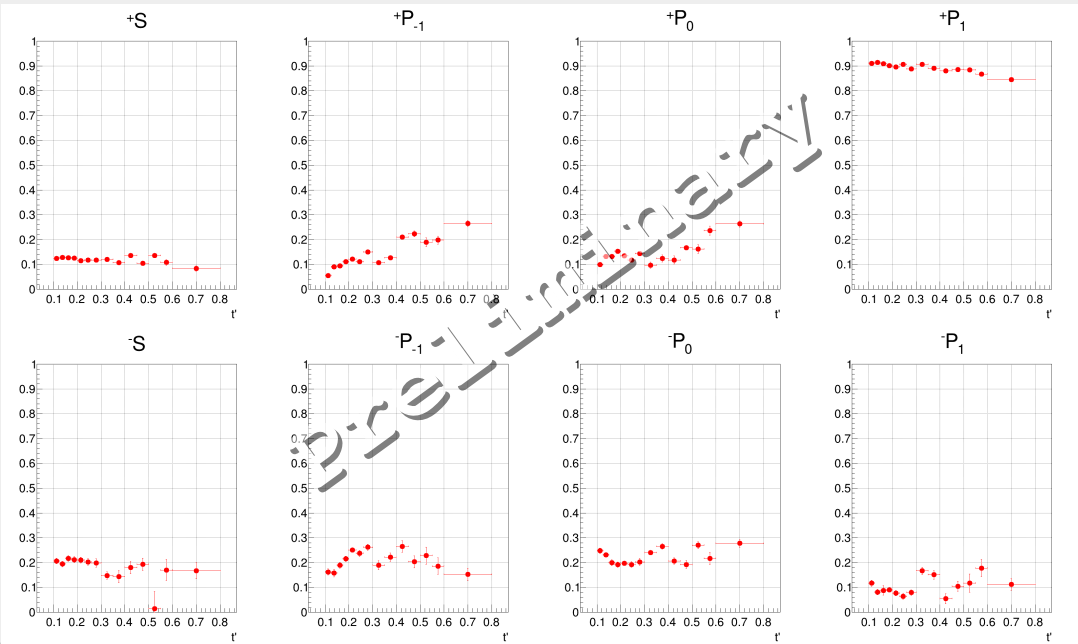
Bottom : 2D, 2 π versus 3 π mass distributions

Left : Fast 2 π mass.

Right: Slow 2 π mass

MesonEx Transition Amplitudes

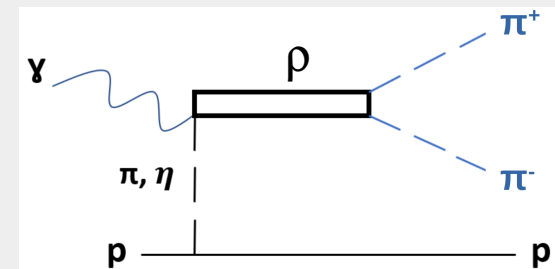
- Amplitude analysis allows us to determine quantum numbers of contributing resonances
- Photon polarization provides a means of filtering smaller contributions (reflectivity waves)
- First results on $\pi^+\pi^-$ partial waves in the ρ resonance region below



Magnitudes of contributing partial waves in the ρ resonance region. (S, P_{-1}, P_0, P_{+1})

Top : +ve reflectivity

Bot : -ve reflectivity



Quasi-real photoproduction: COMPASS

Such production experiments have been done for exotics with mixed results

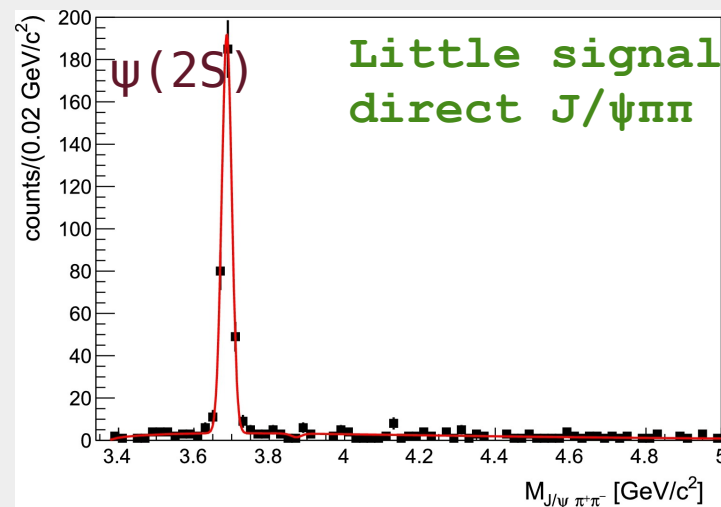
Relatively low integrated luminosity



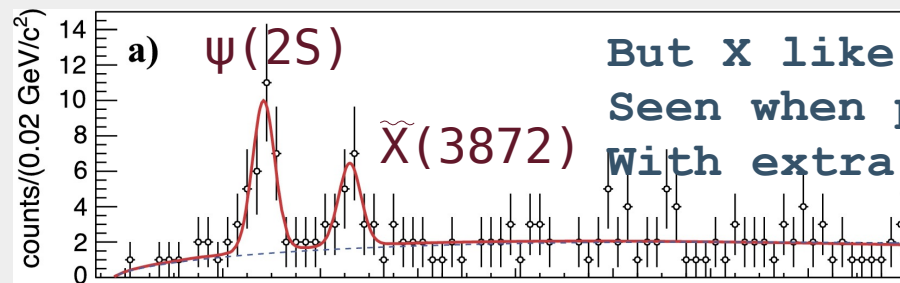
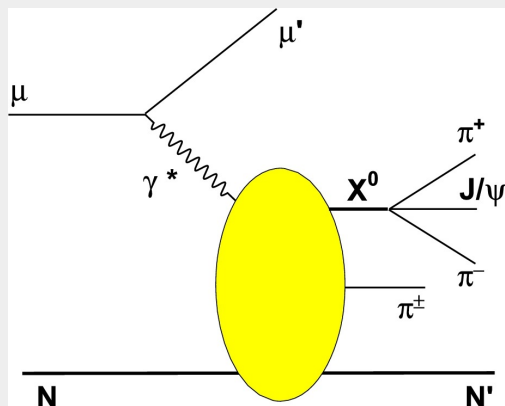
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Search for muoproduction of $X(3872)$ at COMPASS and indication of a new state $\tilde{X}(3872)$



Similar production mechanism



But X like peak
Seen when produced
With extra pion

??????

Suggest a $1+-$ state instead of $1++$...

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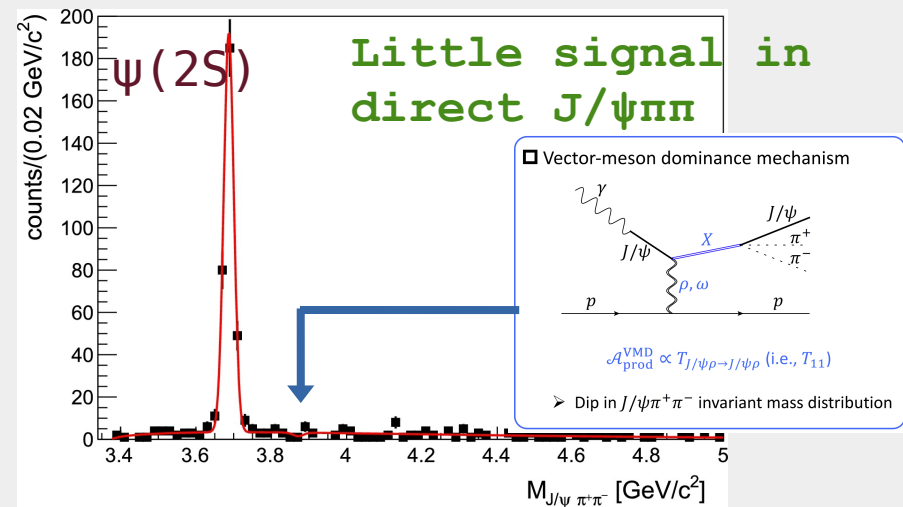
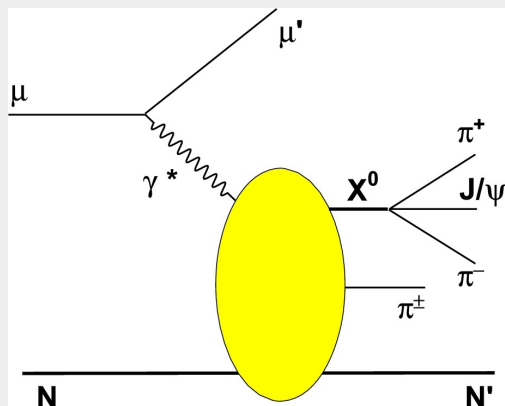


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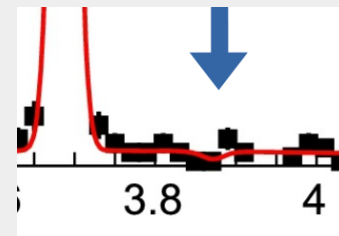


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Similar production mechanism



See Feng-Kun Guo Moday 9.30am :Exotic heavy quarkonium structure and production from a hadronic perspective



X Photoproduction at EIC

XYZ spectroscopy at electron-hadron facilities: Exclusive processes

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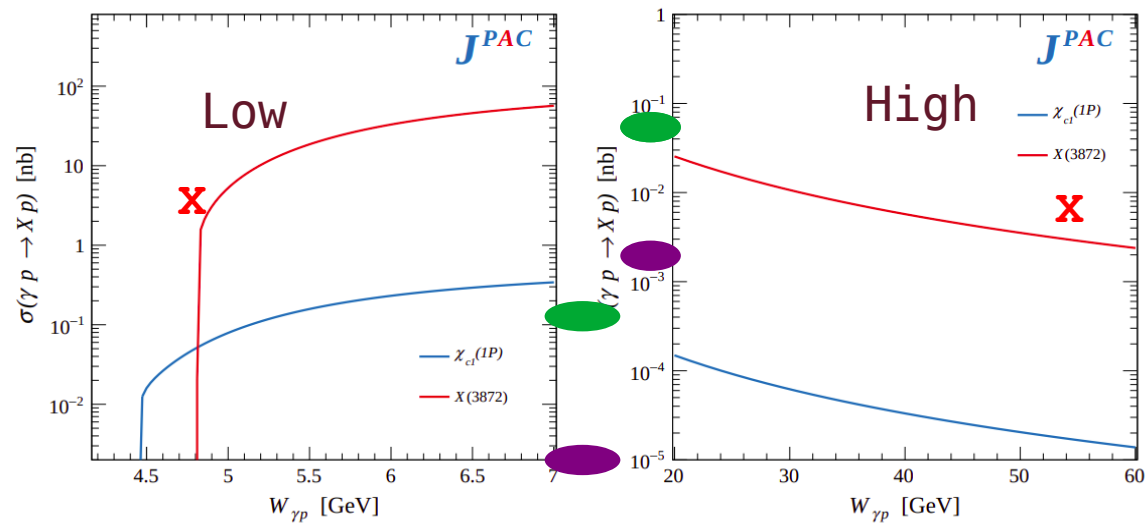
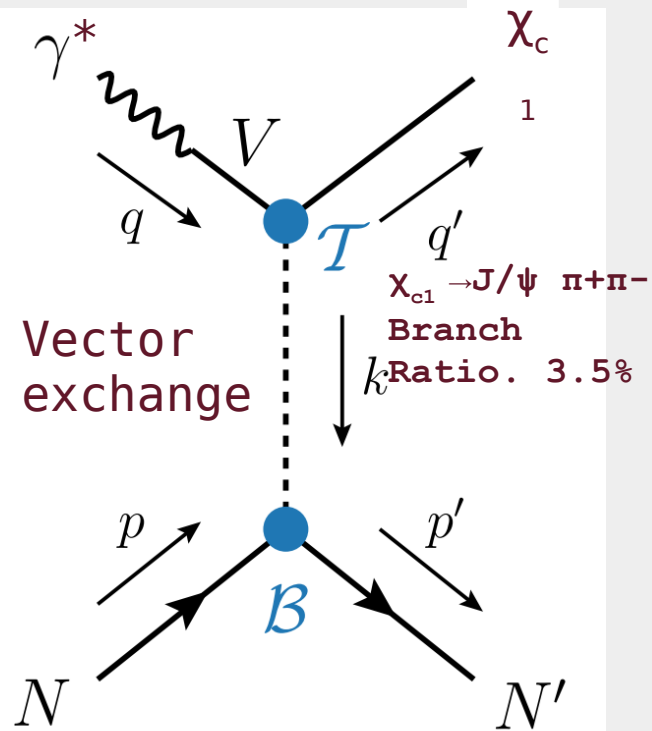


FIG. 3. Integrated cross sections for the axial $\chi_{c1}(1P)$ and $X(3872)$. Left panel: predictions for fixed-spin exchange, valid at low energies. Right panel: predictions for Regge exchange, valid at high energies.

From COMPASS $W=13.7$ GeV

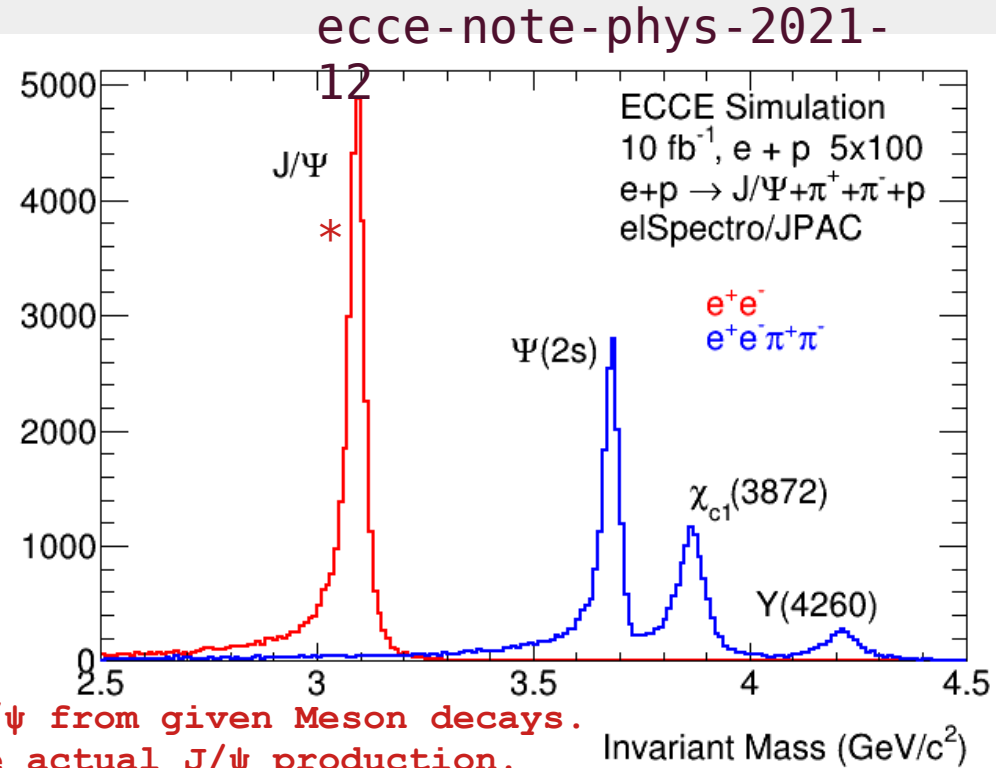
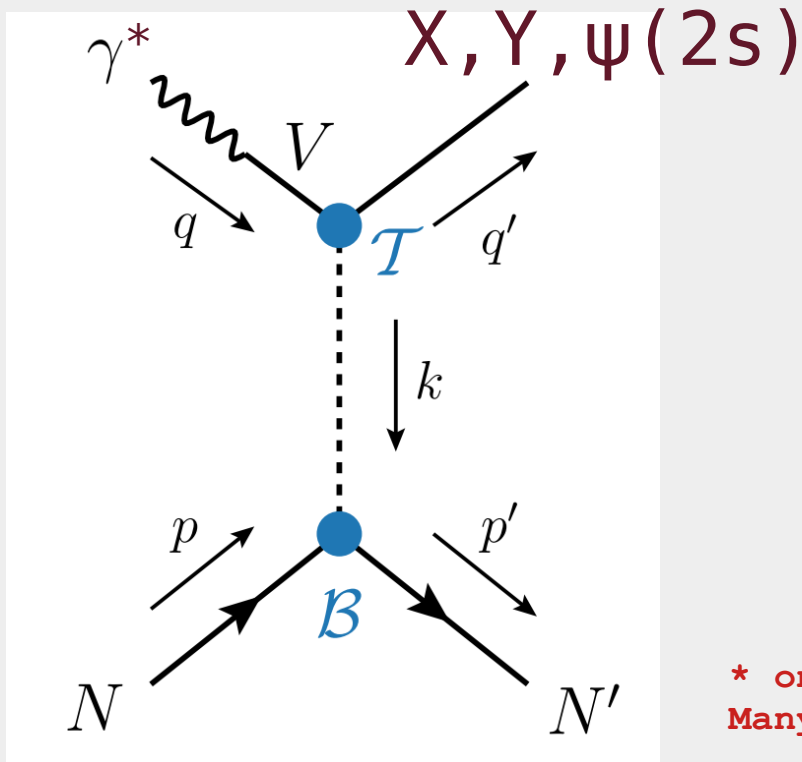
● $\tilde{X}(3872)$ cross section
● $X(3872)$ upper limit



Exotics with EIC : ECCE

ePIC design/simulation/reconstruction in progress.

Can consider previous studies instead



* COMPASS measured 314 $\psi(2s)$

ep Luminosity for Phase-1

High Divergence	Lumi per Fill (5 h)	Lumi per Year	Low Divergence	Lumi per Fill (5 h)	Lumi per Year
5 GeV e x 250 GeV p	9.26 pb ⁻¹	6.48 fb ⁻¹	5 GeV e x 250 GeV p	6.81 pb ⁻¹	4.78 fb ⁻¹
10 GeV e x 250 GeV p	13.12 pb ⁻¹	9.18 fb ⁻¹	10 GeV e x 250 GeV p	8.8 pb ⁻¹	6.19 fb ⁻¹
5 GeV e x 130 GeV p	6.3 pb ⁻¹	4.36 fb ⁻¹	5 GeV e x 130 GeV p	5.8 pb ⁻¹	4.1 fb ⁻¹
10 GeV e x 130 GeV p	7.6 pb ⁻¹	5.33 fb ⁻¹	10 GeV e x 130 GeV p	7.1 pb ⁻¹	4.95 fb ⁻¹

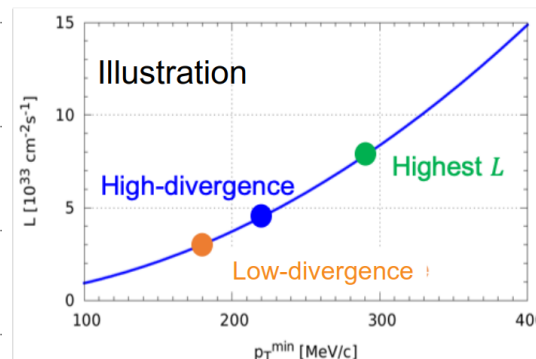
Compare to HERA integrated luminosity 1992 – 2007: 0.6 fb⁻¹

Remember:

high divergence: higher lumi, but reduced acceptance for low forward particle $p_{T, \min}$

low divergence: lower lumi, but increased acceptance for low forward particle $p_{T, \min}$

→ important for exclusive processes



ePIC Simulations : X(3872)

$X \rightarrow J/\psi \rho$ 10x100 2hour @ $6.11 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$

Integrated Luminosity = 0.04 fb^{-1}

Combined Branch ratio = 0.0021

Generated events = 265

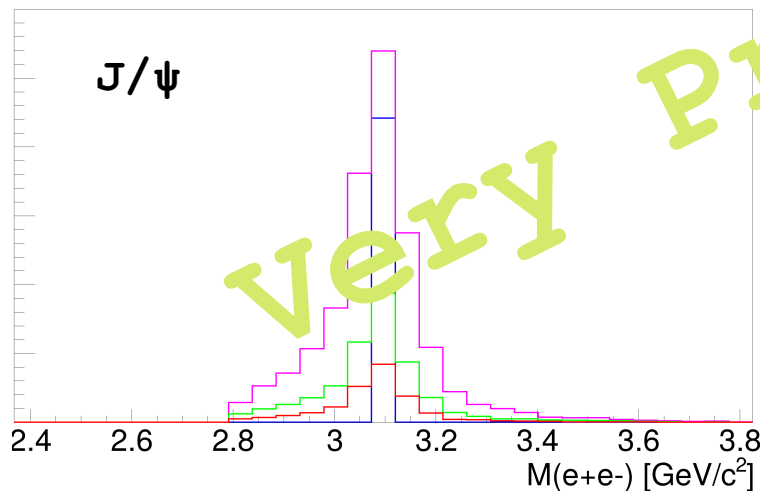
Reconstructed inclusive $e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^-$ = 1115

Includes background

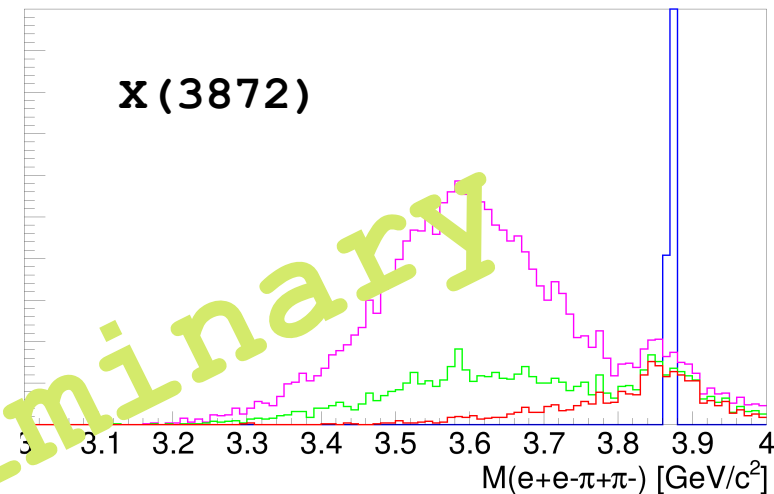
Reconstructed $e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^-$ + veto γ s = 375

Reconstructed $e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^-$ + true = 157

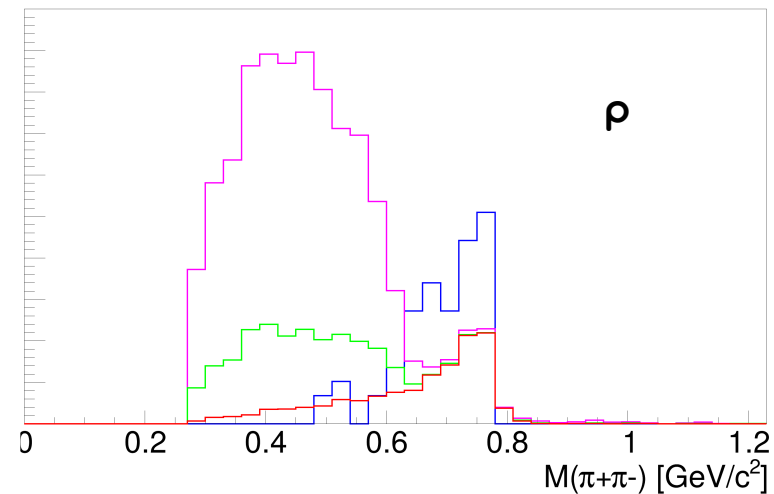
J/ψ



X(3872)



ρ



ePIC Simulations : X(3872)

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Integrated Luminosity = 0.04 fb^{-1}

Combined Branch ratio = 0.0024

Generated

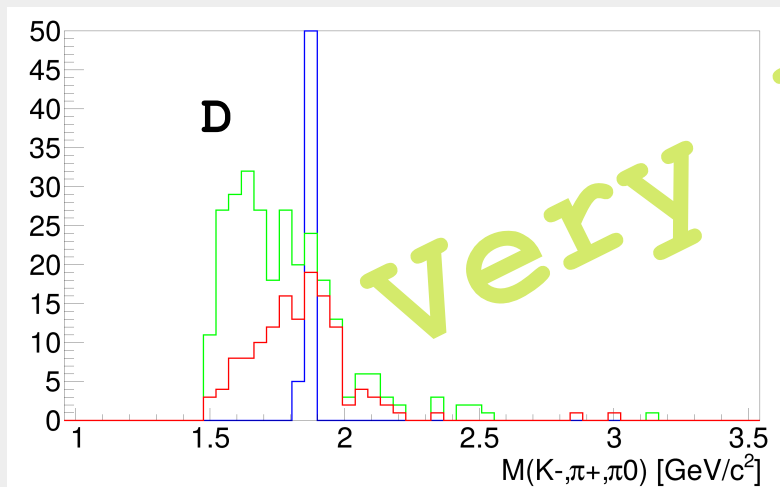
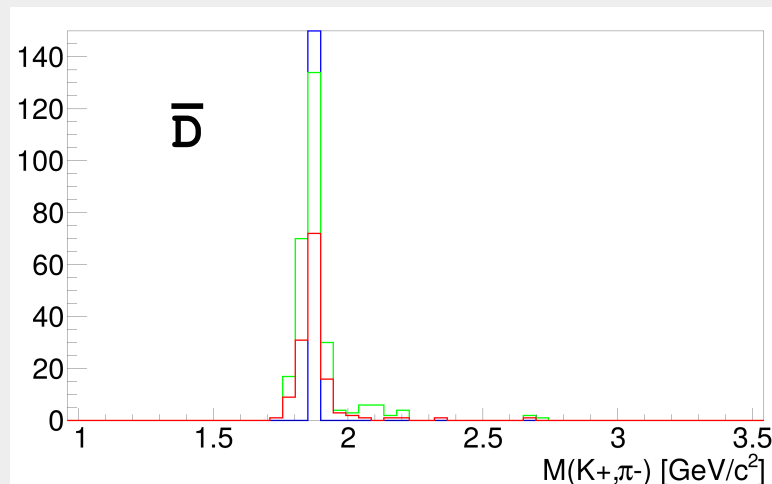
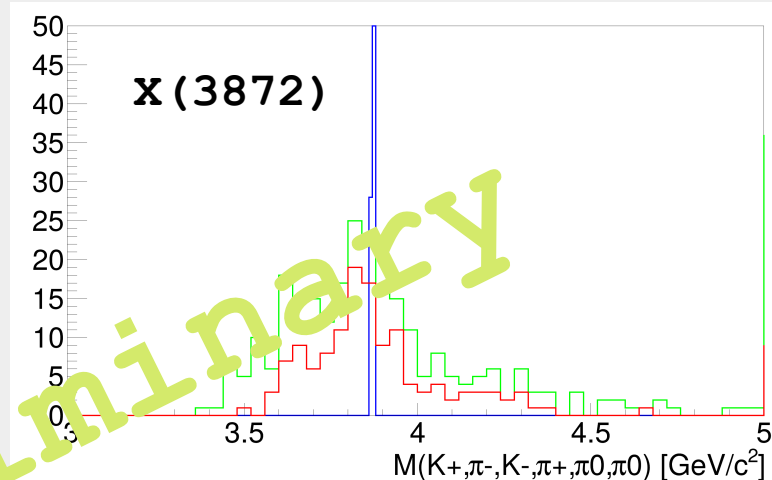
$D(K-\pi+\pi^0)\bar{D}(K+\pi-)\pi^0$ events = 550

All Reconstructed (includes combi BG)

$D(K-\pi+\pi^0)\bar{D}(K+\pi-)\pi^0$ events = 290

True Reconstructed

$D(K-\pi+\pi^0)\bar{D}(K+\pi-)\pi^0$ events = 140



+ same again for other π^0 combi D

ePIC Simulations : $\Upsilon(4230)$

$\Upsilon \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$

Expected 10days 18x275

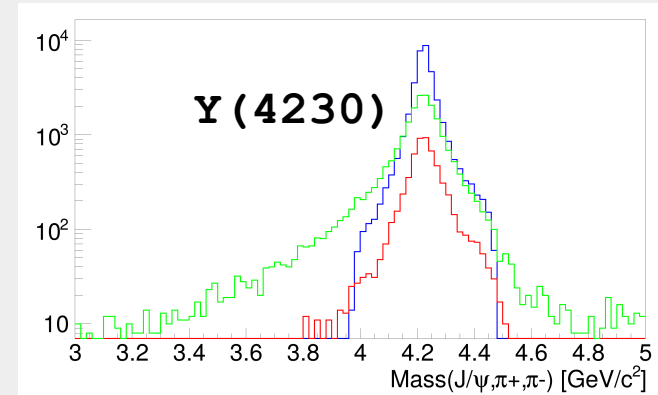
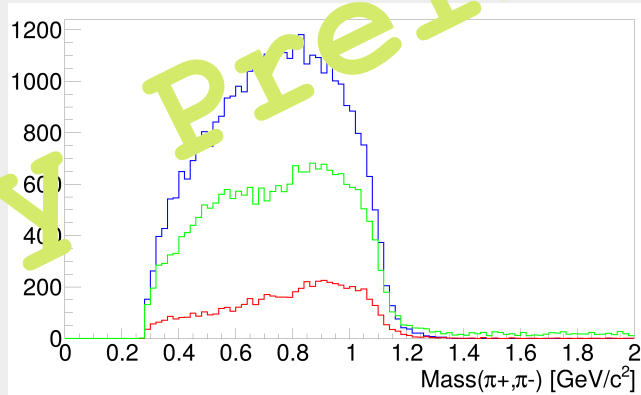
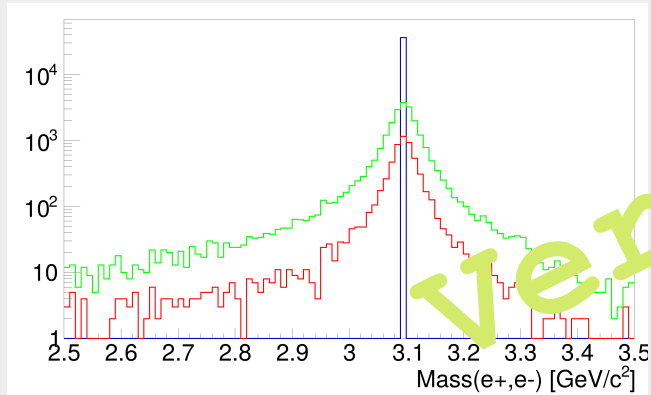
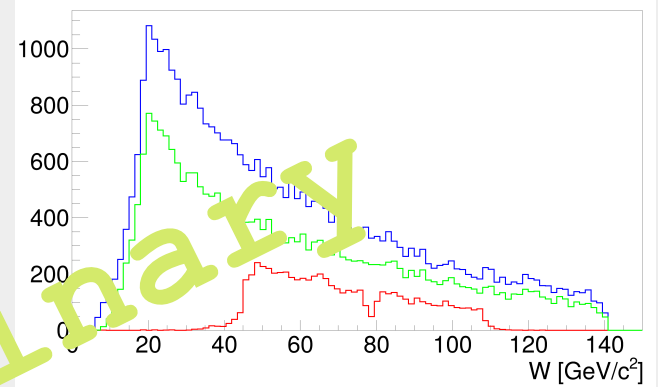
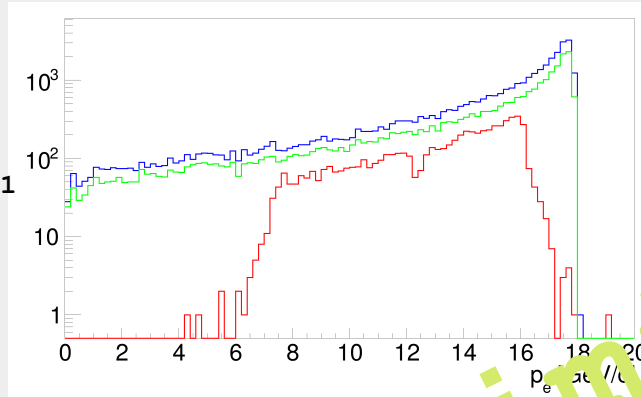
Luminosity $6.1 \times 10^{33} \text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$

Int. Luminosity $= 5.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

~18,000 $e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^-$ decays

~12,000 $e^+e^-\pi^+\pi^-$ recon

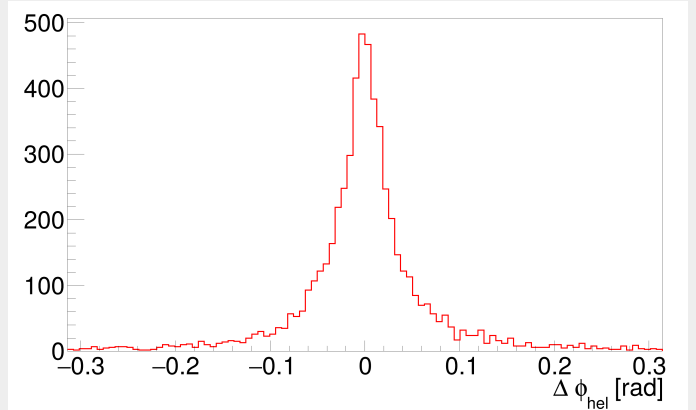
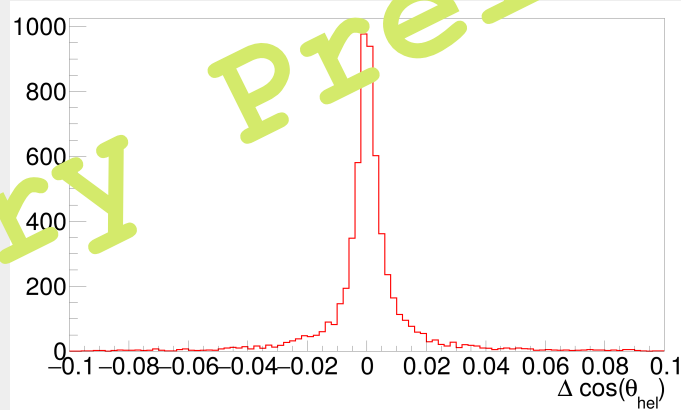
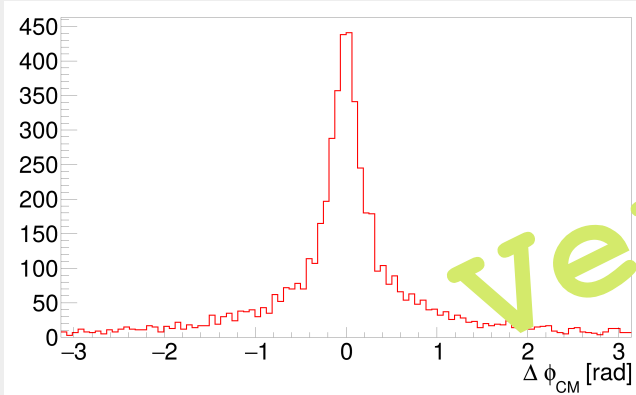
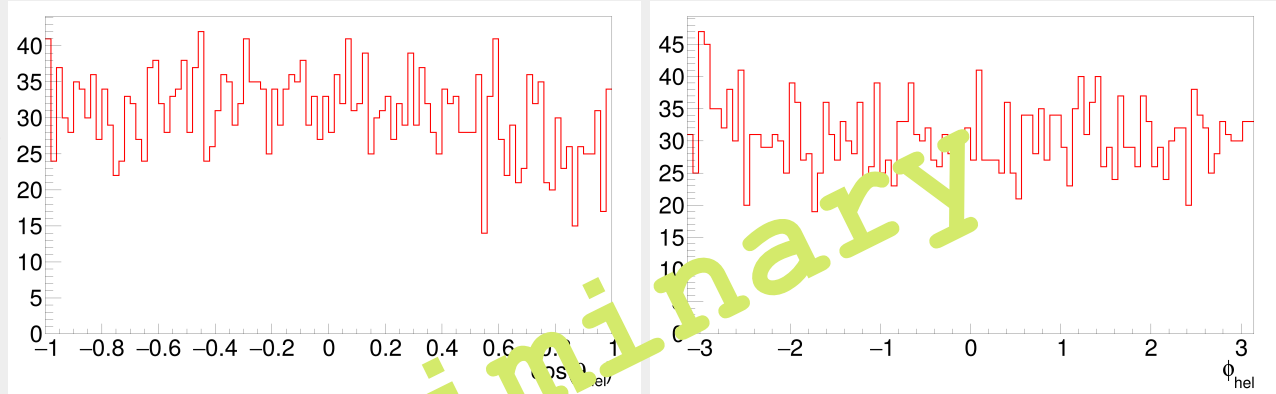
~3,000 recon + lowQ2 e^-



ePIC Simulations : Y(4230)

Physics with LowQ2

Production and decay angles
- required for PWA



Semi-Inclusive Z production @EIC

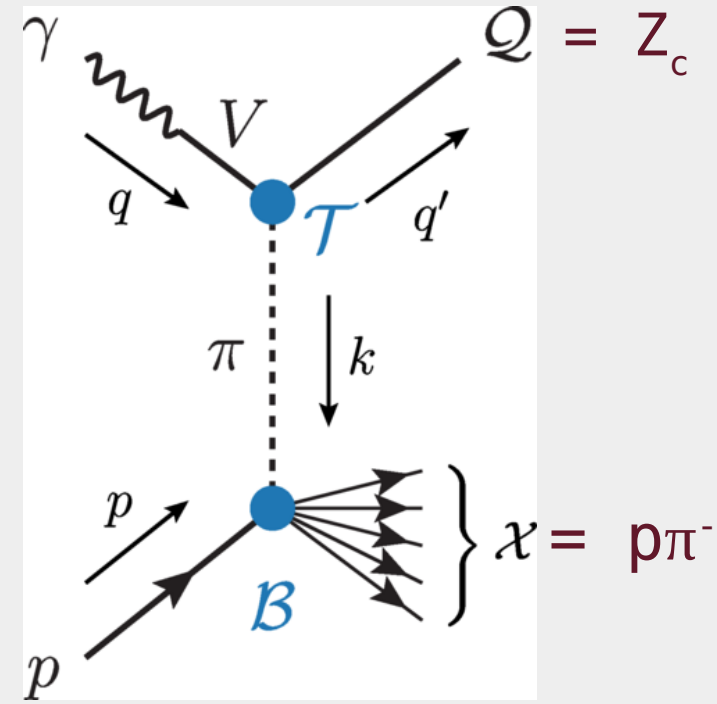
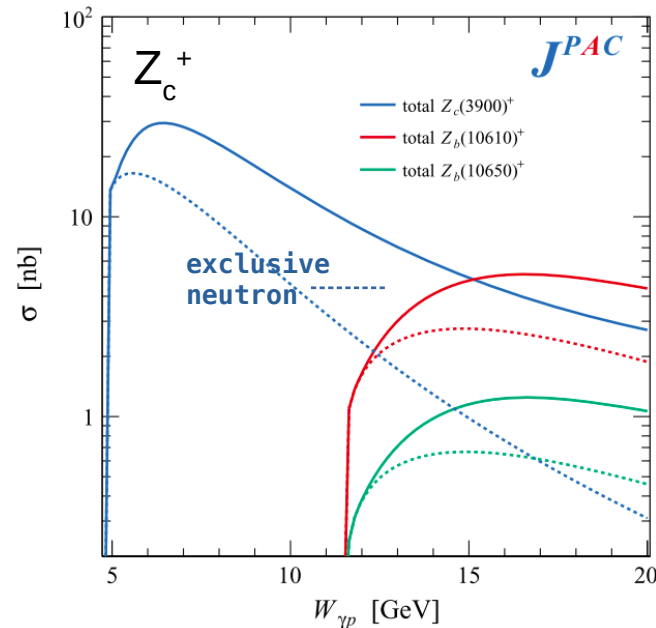
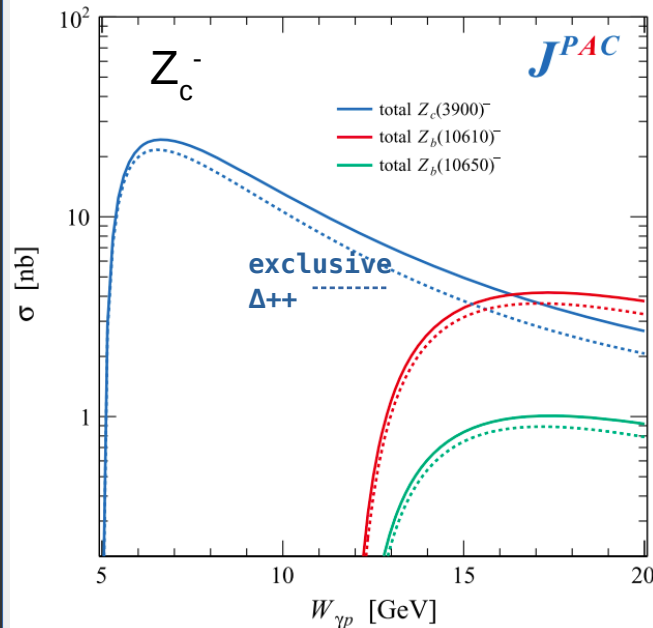
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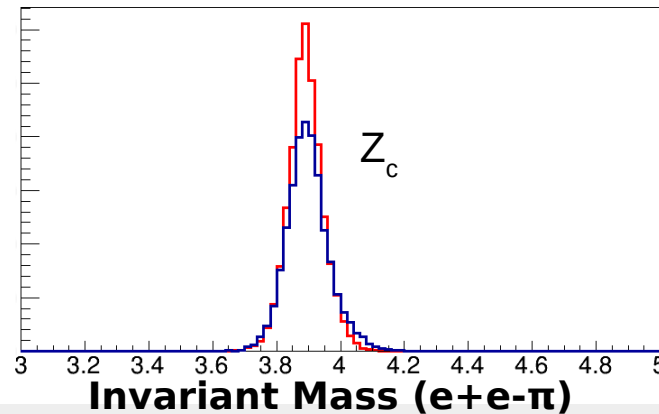
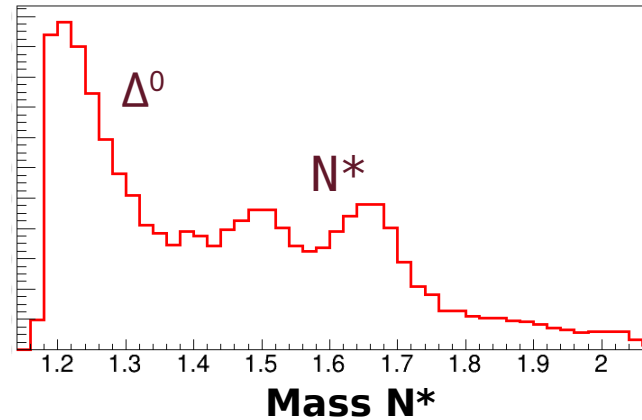
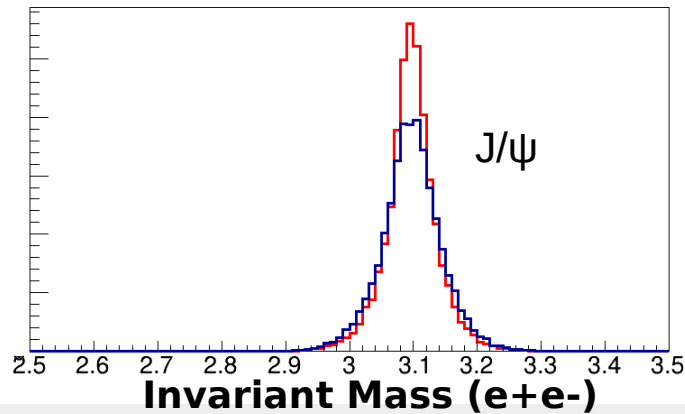
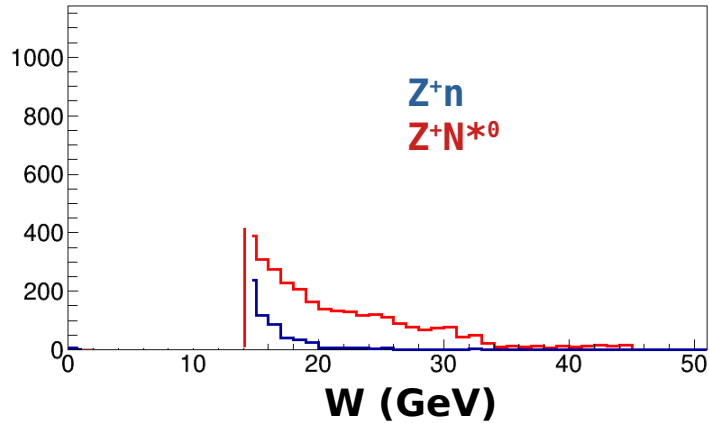
$$E_Q \frac{d^3\sigma}{d^3q_f} = \frac{K}{16\pi^3} |T_\pi(t) \mathcal{P}_\pi|^2 \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\pi^* N},$$

Bottom vertex => SAID pion scattering



Inclusive higher at high W =>
Better meson detection
 - more transverse momentum
Better e^- detection
 - higher acceptance at lower $P_{e'}$

Z_c^+ beams : 5 x 100 GeV



Require e^-' detection
Quasi-real tagger
 $0.45 E_0 < E < 0.9 E_0$
 $\theta < 6$ mrad, $\sigma_E = 1\%$

"Simulations" with
Eic-smear fastmc
10fb-1 (~2 weeks)

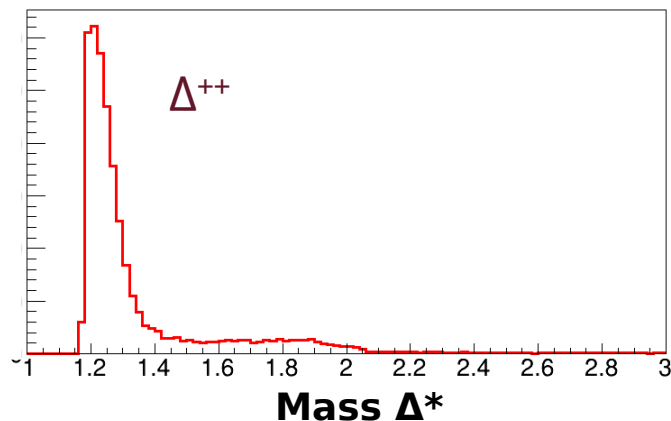
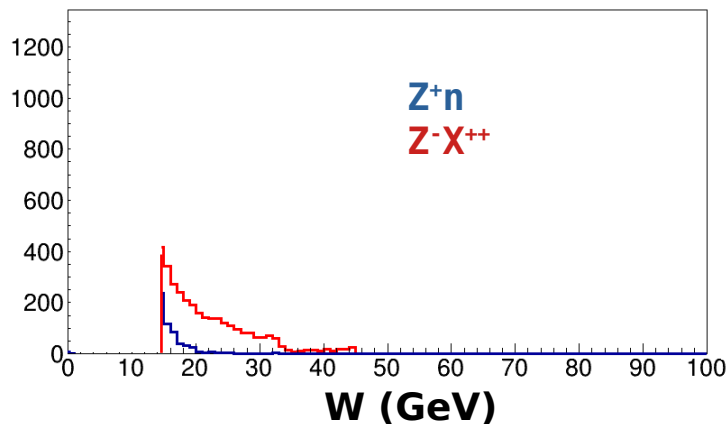
Semi-inc σ 30% lower

But weighted to high W

=> better e^- acceptance
better Z^+ acceptance

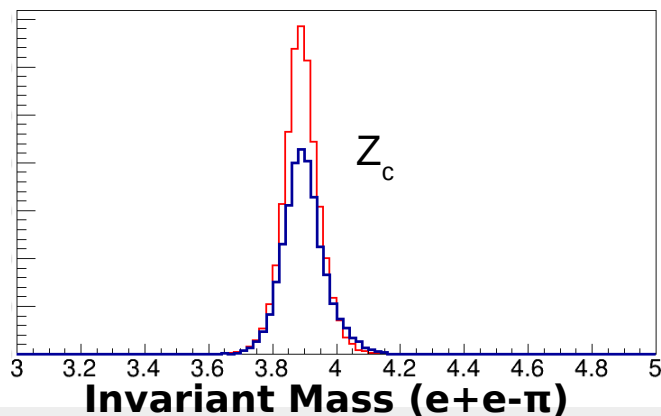
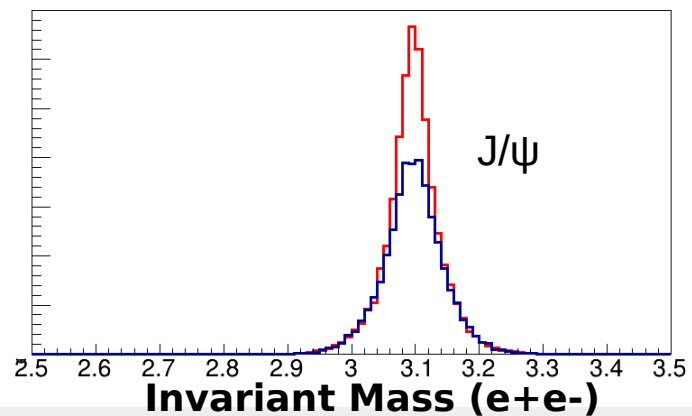
Do not detect Δ^0

Z_c^- beams : 5 x 100 GeV



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Eic-smear fastmc



Semi-inc σ similar

Weighted to high W

=> better e^- acceptance
better Z^+ acceptance

Do not detect Δ^{++}

Production Amplitudes

$$\mathcal{I}(\Omega, \Phi) = \mathcal{I}^0(\Omega) - \mathcal{P}.\mathcal{I}^1(\Omega) \cos 2\Phi - \mathcal{P}.\mathcal{I}^2(\Omega) \sin 2\Phi.$$

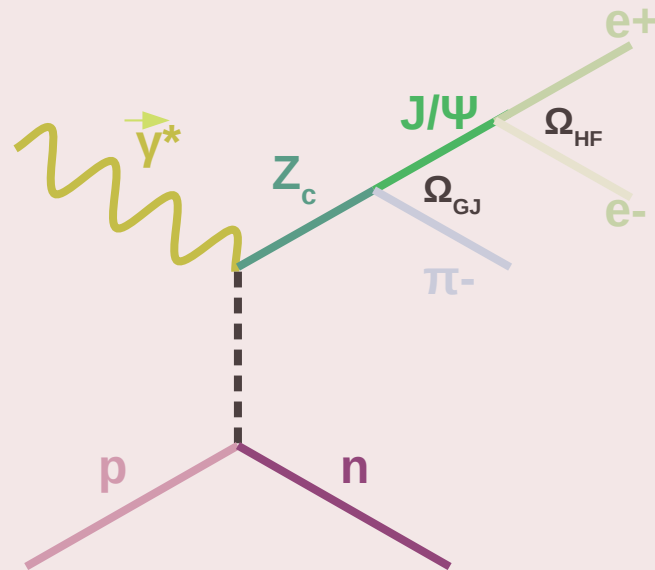
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}^\alpha(\Omega, \Phi) = & \sum_{r,r'} \sum_{m,m'} \sum_{\lambda,\lambda'} \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{4\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{2s+1}{4\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{2l'+1}{4\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{2s'+1}{4\pi}} \\ & \times (l, 0; s, \lambda | j, \lambda) (l', 0; s', \lambda' | j', \lambda') \\ & \times D_{m,\lambda}^j(\phi_{GJ}, \theta_{GJ}, 0) D_{\lambda,0}^s(\phi_{HF}, \theta_{HF}, 0) R_{Yi}(m_Y) \\ & \times D_{m',\lambda'}^{j'*}(\phi_{GJ}, \theta_{GJ}, 0) D_{\lambda',0}^{s'*}(\phi_{HF}, \theta_{HF}, 0) R_{Yi'}^*(m_Y) \times \rho_{rr',mm'}^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho_{rr',mm'}^0 = \sum_k T_{r,m}^{k,\eta} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta} + T_{r,m}^{k,\eta'} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta'},$$

$$\rho_{rr',mm'}^1 = \sum_k T_{r,m}^{k,\eta'} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta} + T_{r,m}^{k,\eta} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta'},$$

$$\rho_{rr',mm'}^2 = i \sum_k -T_{r,m}^{k,\eta'} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta} + T_{r,m}^{k,\eta} T_{r',m'}^{k,\eta'},$$

$\mathbf{r} = \{j, l, s\} = \{j=1, l=(0,2), s=1\}$
 And $m = -1, 0, 1$ for $Z \rightarrow J/\Psi + \pi$
 k = spin of proton
 η = photon helicity



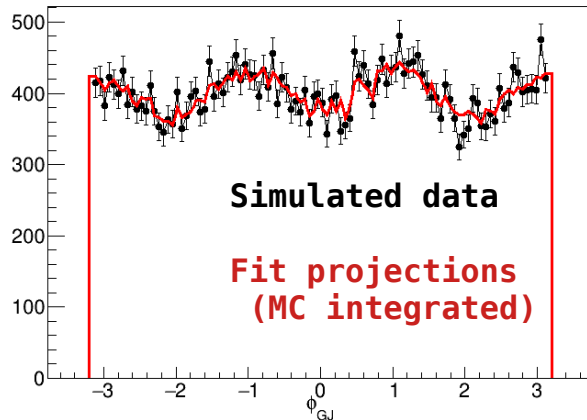
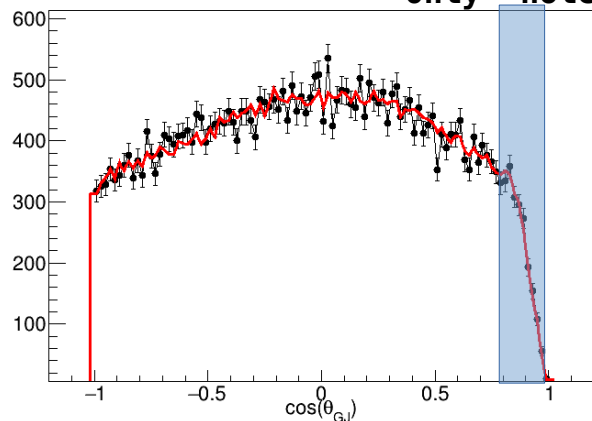
Could determine production amplitudes for partial waves in terms of J,L,S,M,P of resonance, photon helicity

Can this give any information on structure/nature ?

e.g $T_s/T_D \rightarrow 0$ "if molecular", large "if tetraquark"
 $|T^{\eta=+1}_{m=1} - T^{\eta=-1}_{m=-1}| \rightarrow 0$ "if tetraquark"

Toy Amplitude Analysis @ EIC

Only “hole”



Generate data with given
Transition amplitudes.

Fit model on simulated data

$j < 3, |m| < j, \ell < 4, s=1, \eta = \pm 1$

$|T_{j\ell sm}^\eta|$ $T_{1011}^+ = 0.34 \pm 0.01$ (0.35)

$T_{101-1}^+ = 0.43 \pm 0.01$ (0.45)

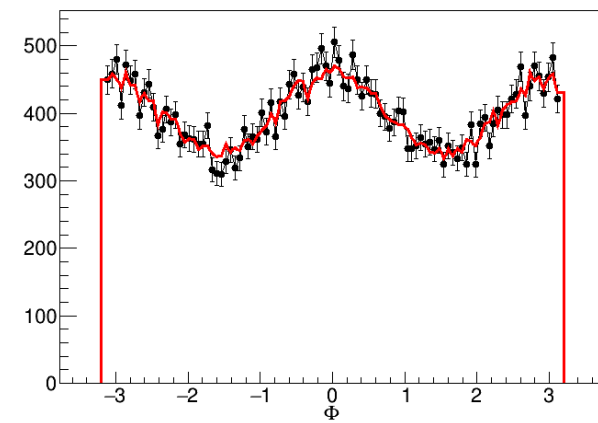
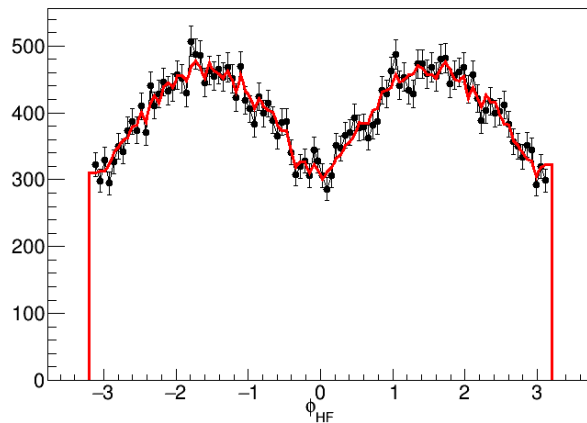
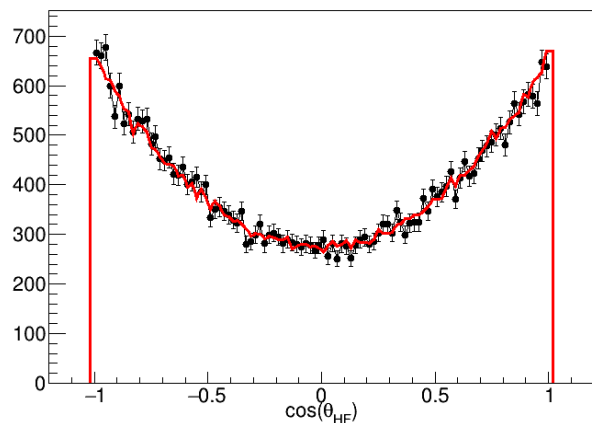
$T_{1210}^+ = 0.55 \pm 0.01$ (0.55)

$\phi_{j\ell sm}^\eta$ $\phi_{1011}^+ = 0.04 \pm 0.04$ (0.04)

$\phi_{101-1}^+ = 1.24 \pm 0.04$ (1.20)

$\phi_{1210}^+ = 2.20 \pm 0.04$ (2.20)

All other amplitudes consistent with 0



Summary

Photoproduction provides a means of producing hadron resonances

If charmonium-like states are real resonances they should be produced
This is an intriguing topic in hadron physics

With the EIC we could produce 1000s exotic mesons per day and
reconstruct a large fraction of these

With LowQ2 tagger for intermediate W events we could provide exclusivity
constraints and perform partial wave analysis with well reconstructed
decay angles

But cross section and branching ratios are small. Backgrounds will be
large. Detailed studies now need done.

Low Q2 tagger likely to miss most exclusive X and Z production, but well
suited for Y (pomeron exchange) production

To aid with this, currently developing inclusive event generator and
analysis framework (see interactive session)

Summary

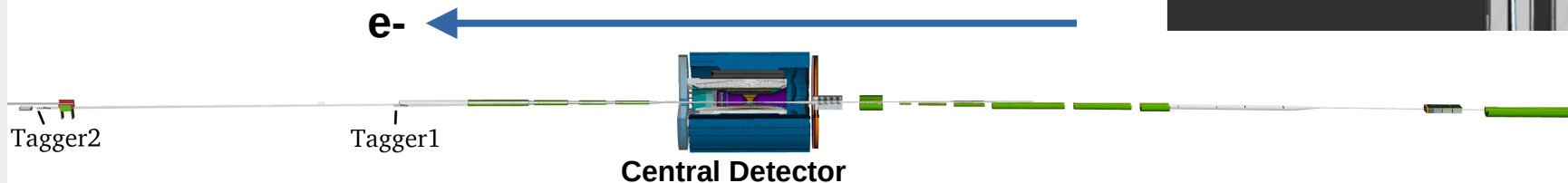
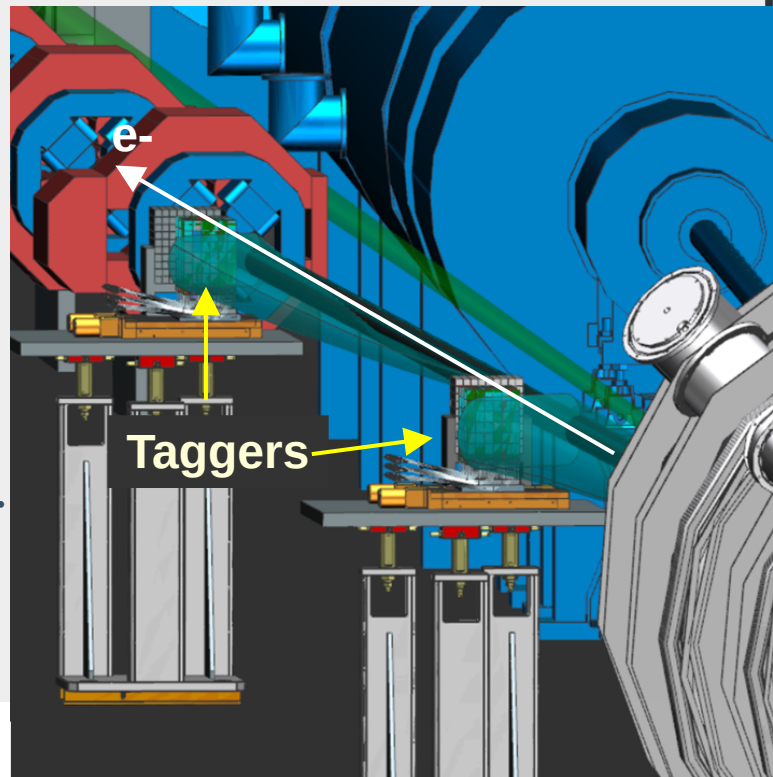
EIC Low Q^2 Tagger – Glasgow University

The ePIC Low- Q^2 Tagger extends the reach of the central detector down to effectively $Q^2=0$.

Located after the first group of beamline steering and focusing magnets.

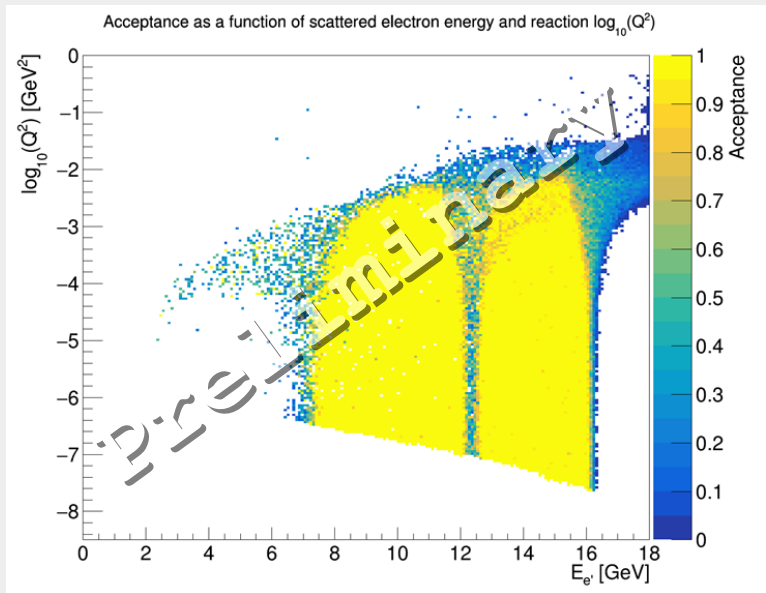
Scattered electrons follow deflected through the magnetic optics into tagger facilitating momentum reconstruction through tagger tracks.

Trackers consisting of 4 layers of Timepix4 pixel detectors (50 μm pitch).



Idealistic Proposed Tagger

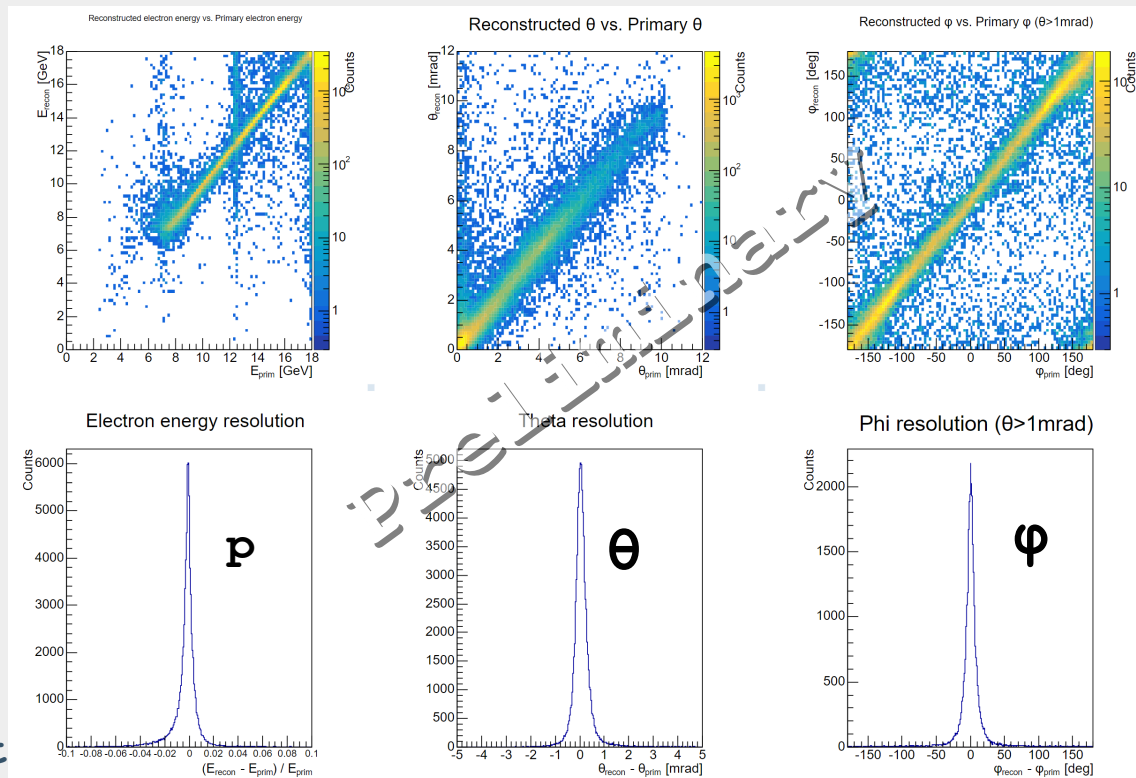
Acceptance



Low e- Energy acceptance limit
by magnets

High e- Energy acceptance limit
by beam

Resolutions



* Final design/performance dependent on beam pipe/vacuum/integration

Z_c Photoproduction

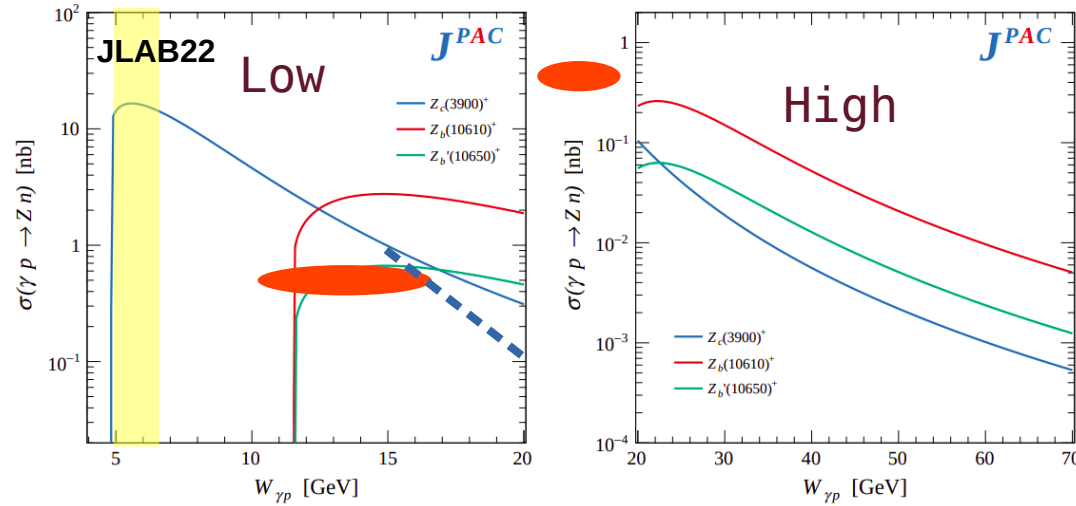


FIG. 2. Integrated cross sections for the three Z_c states considered. Left panel: predictions for fixed-spin exchange, which we expect to be valid up to approximately 10 GeV above each threshold. Right panel: predictions for Regge exchange, valid at high energies.

- JPAC model for Z_c
 - - - Interpolation from low to high
 - COMPASS upper limit PLB 742,300 2015
- Suggest estimates could be high by order of magnitude at $W \sim 10$ GeV
- May relate to single/multi-spin Regge mechanisms

