

KY Electroproduction at CLAS12

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Outline

Physics motivation: Study of the nucleon excitation spectrum to understand its ground state.

Search for Hybrid Baryons contributions in the low Q^2 evolution of the cross section for $K^+\Lambda$ electroproduction with CLAS12.

- Endorsement of a LoI by the Program Advisory Committee, PAC43.
- PAC44 Proposal Approved with A- rating – 100 days assigned
- **CLAS12 and Forward Tagger (FT) @ JLAB:** Experimental setup description.
- **Simulation and Reconstruction** of $K^+\Lambda$ electroproduction events in CLAS12
- **Preliminary Results from Physics Runs:** KY channel studied exploiting a subset of data from Fall 2018 Physics Runs in Hall B at Jefferson Lab.

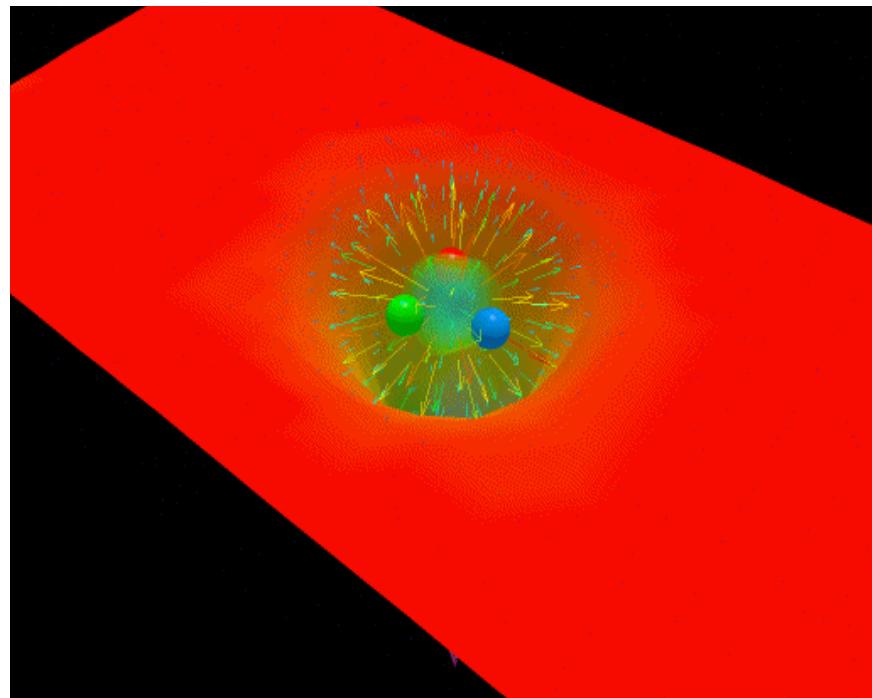
Why N* ?

Baryon Spectroscopy Reveals the Workings of QCD

"Nucleons are the stuff of which our world is made.

As such they must be at the center of any discussion of why the world we actually experience has the character it does."

Nathan Isgur, NStar2000, Newport News, Virginia

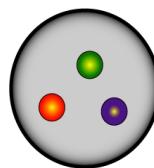


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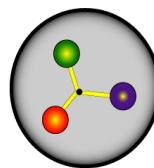
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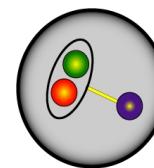
- Understanding the proton's ground state requires understanding its excitation spectrum.
- The N* spectrum reflects the effective degrees of freedom and the forces.



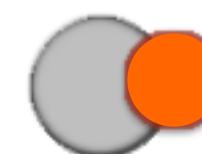
CQM



CQM+flux tubes

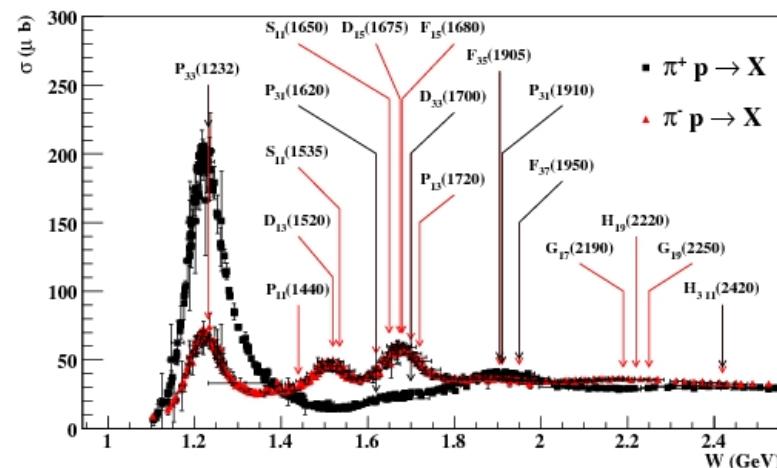


Quark-diquark clustering



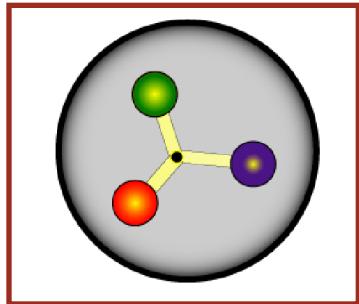
Baryon-meson system

→ From the Constituent Quark model to QCD.



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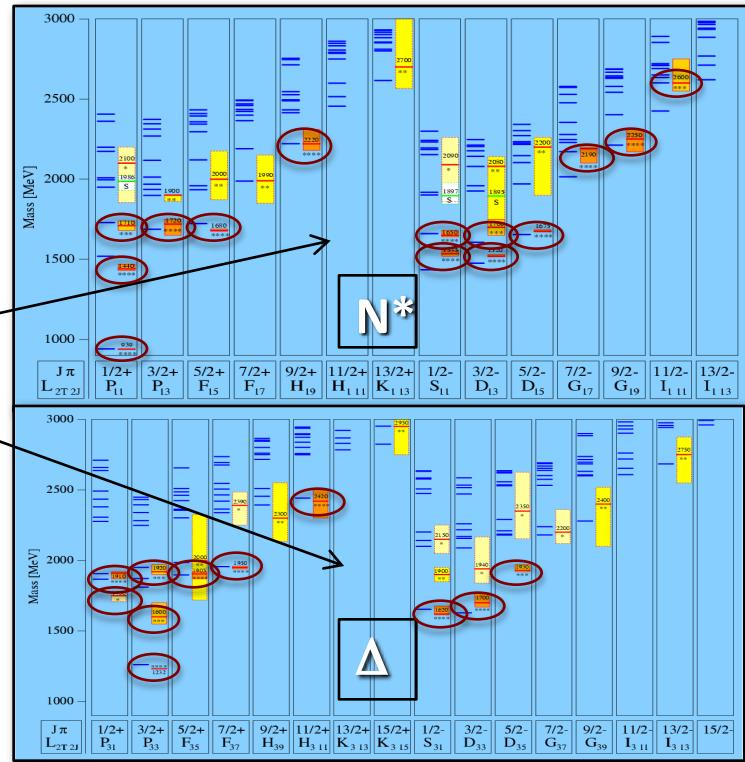


Thick segments:
Theoretical
predictions

Shaded boxes:
experimental
results

Findings:

- Linear Regge trajectories
- Only lowest few in each band seen with 4★ or 3★ status
- $g(\pi N)$ couplings predicted to decrease rapidly with mass in each oscillator band
- Higher levels predicted to have larger couplings to $K\Lambda$, $K\Sigma$, $\pi\pi N$, ...



U. Löring, B. Metsch, H. Petry, Eur. Phys. J. A 10, 395 (2001).

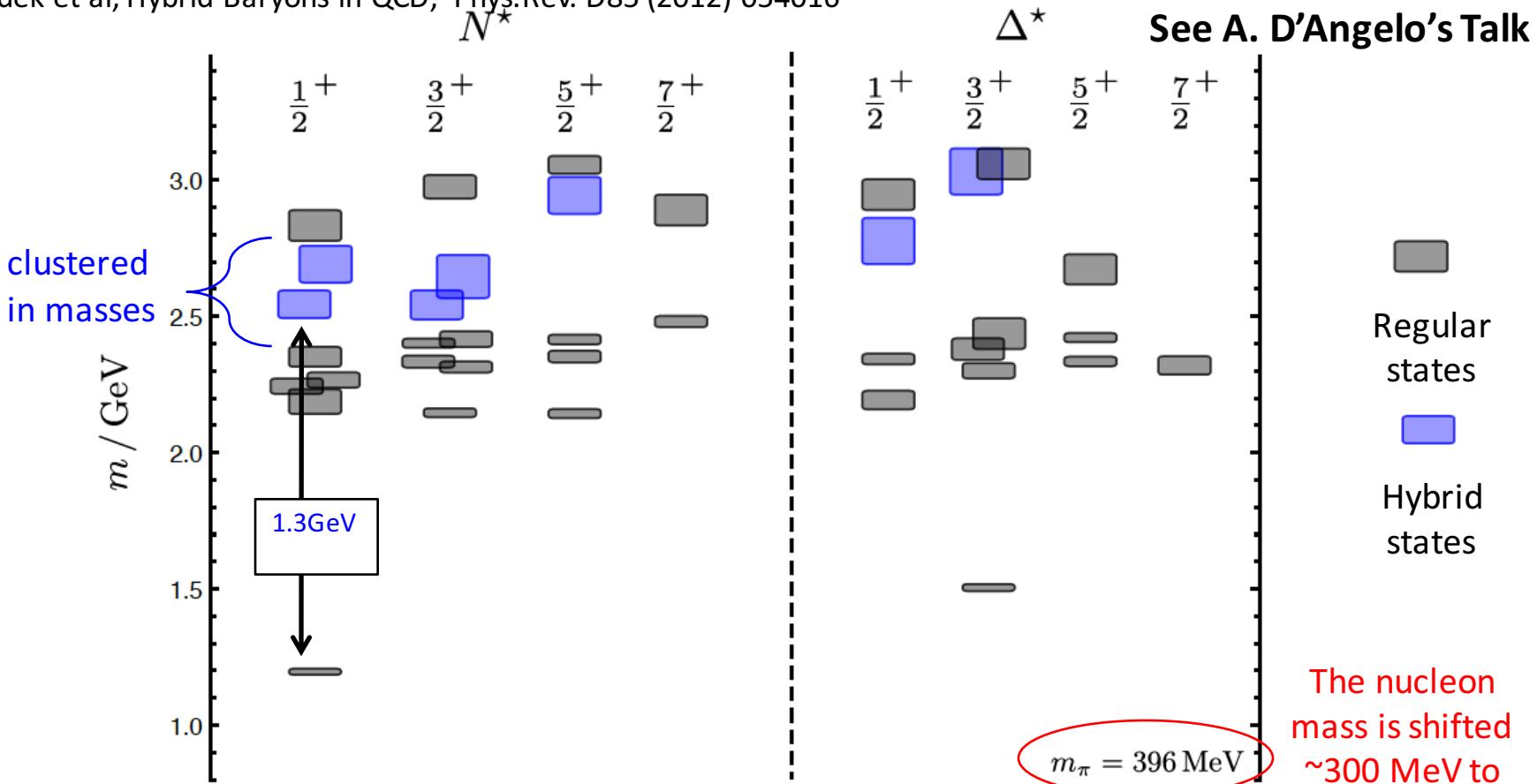
Hybrid baryons emerge as gluonic excitations of the nucleon to states where a constituent gluon combines with three quarks

Hybrid Baryons in LQCD

QCD allows for the existence of Hybrid Baryons.

LQCD predicts several hybrid baryon states.

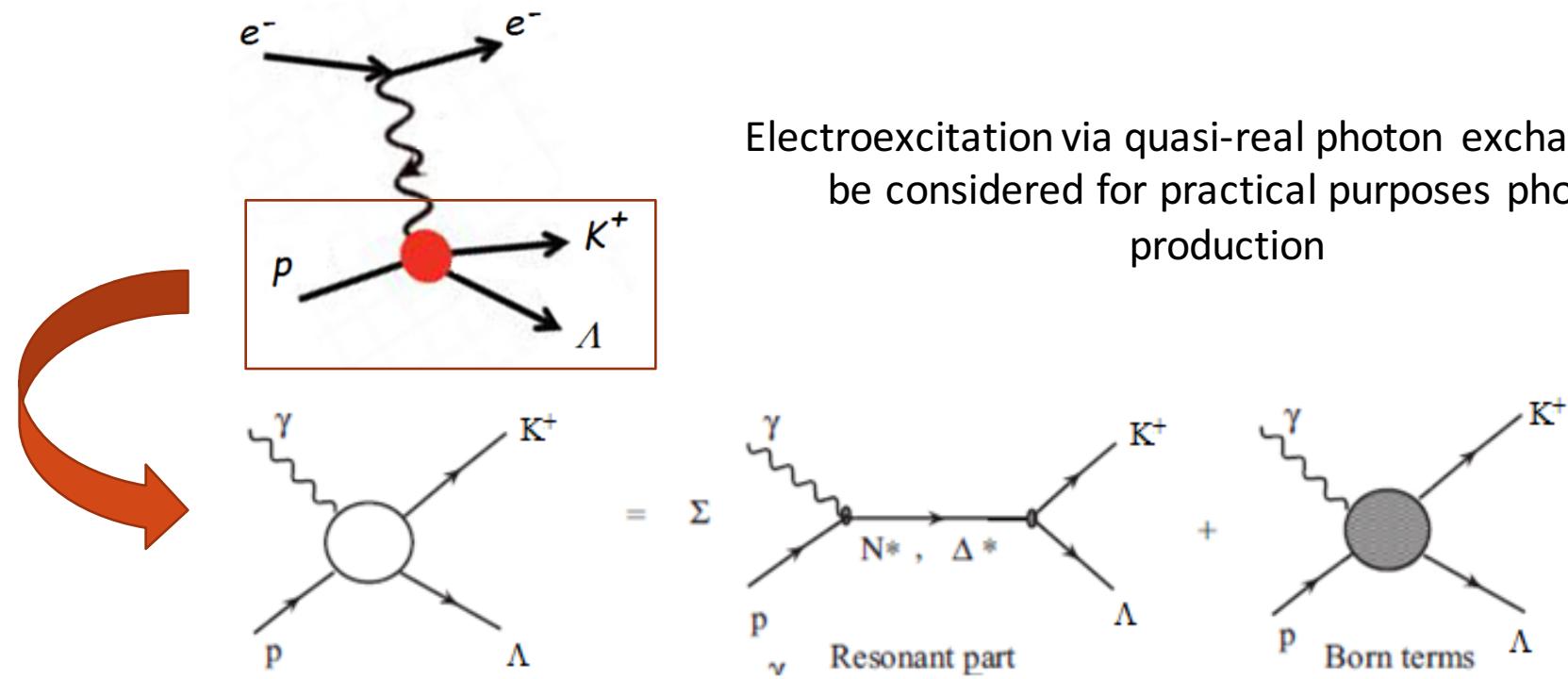
J. Dudek et al, Hybrid Baryons in QCD, Phys. Rev. D85 (2012) 054016



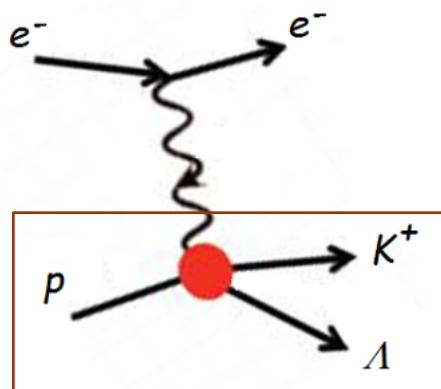
Differently from the case of hybrid mesons, hybrid baryons are predicted to have **same quantum numbers** of N^* resonances

Separating $Q^3\mathbf{G}$ from Q^3 states: $A_{1/2, 3/2}(Q^2)$ and $S_{1/2}(Q^2)$

Transverse helicity amplitudes $A_{1/2}(Q^2)$, $A_{3/2}(Q^2)$ and longitudinal helicity amplitude $S_{1/2}(Q^2)$ allow to distinguish $Q^3\mathbf{G}$ from Q^3 states



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Hybrid resonance contribution in the helicity representation

Helicities of final state hadrons Helicities of γ and p

$$\langle \lambda_f | T_r | \lambda_\gamma \lambda_p \rangle = \sum_{N^*} \frac{\langle \lambda_f | T_{dec} | \lambda_R \rangle \langle \lambda_R | T_{em} | \lambda_\gamma \lambda_p \rangle}{M_r^2 - W^2 - i \Gamma_r(W) M_r}$$

Resonance mass Invariant mass Energy dependent total width

where N^* helicity = $\lambda_\gamma - \lambda_p$

The resonance electroexcitation amplitudes can be related to the $\gamma_N NN^*$ electrocouplings $A_{1/2}$, $A_{3/2}$, and $S_{1/2}$ for nucleons

$$\langle \lambda_R | T_{em} | \lambda_\gamma \lambda_p \rangle = \frac{W}{M_r} \sqrt{\frac{8 M_N M_r q_{\gamma_r}}{4\pi\alpha}} \sqrt{\frac{q_{\gamma_r}}{q_\gamma}} A_{1/2,3/2}(Q^2) \quad \text{with} \quad |\lambda_\gamma - \lambda_p| = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{for transverse photons,}$$

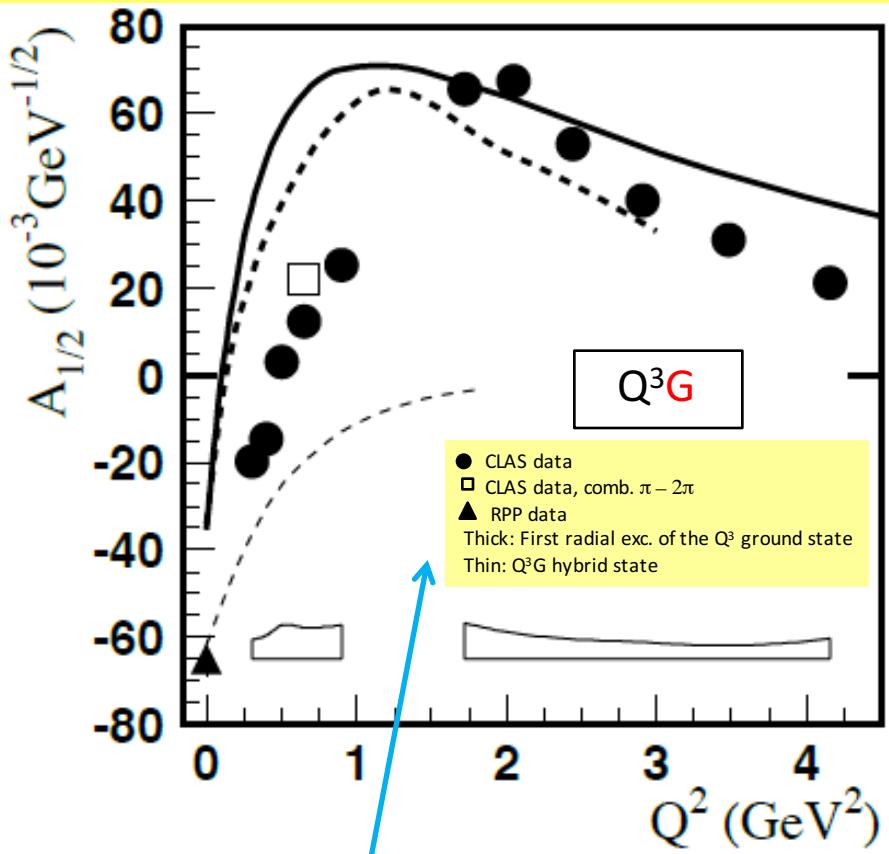
$$\langle \lambda_R | T_{em} | \lambda_\gamma \lambda_p \rangle = \frac{W}{M_r} \sqrt{\frac{16 M_N M_r q_{\gamma_r}}{4\pi\alpha}} \sqrt{\frac{q_{\gamma_r}}{q_\gamma}} S_{1/2}(Q^2) \text{ for longitudinal photons}$$

The N^* hadronic decay amplitudes can be expanded in partial waves of total momentum J

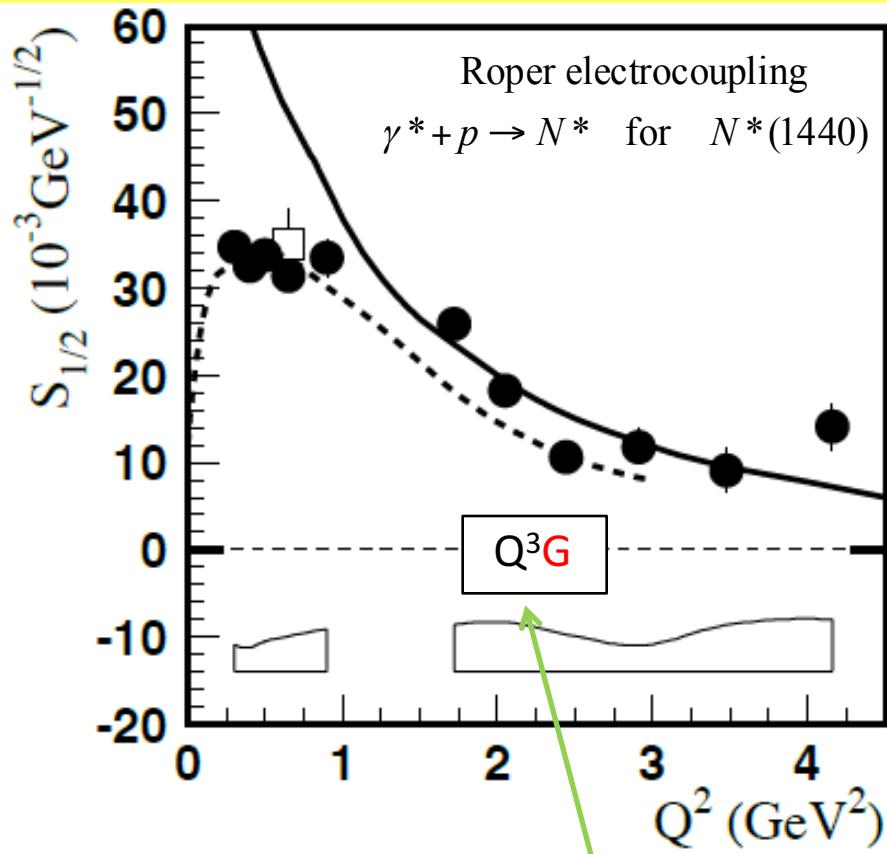
$$\langle \lambda_f | T_{dec} | \lambda_R \rangle = \langle \lambda_f | T_{dec}^{J_r} | \lambda_R \rangle d_{\mu\nu}^{J_r}(\cos \theta^*) e^{i\mu\phi^*} \quad \text{where} \quad \langle \lambda_f | T_{dec}^{J_r} | \lambda_R \rangle = \frac{2\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{2J_r+1}M_r\sqrt{\Gamma_{\lambda_f}}}{\sqrt{\langle p_i^r \rangle}} \sqrt{\frac{\langle p_i^r \rangle}{\langle p_i \rangle}}$$

Separating Q^3G from Q^3 states

Transverse helicity amplitude $A_{1/2}(Q^2)$ and longitudinal helicity amplitude $S_{1/2}(Q^2)$ allow to distinguish Q^3G from Q^3 states



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A suppressed longitudinal amplitude $S_{1/2}(Q^2)$ in comparison with transverse electro-excitation amplitude

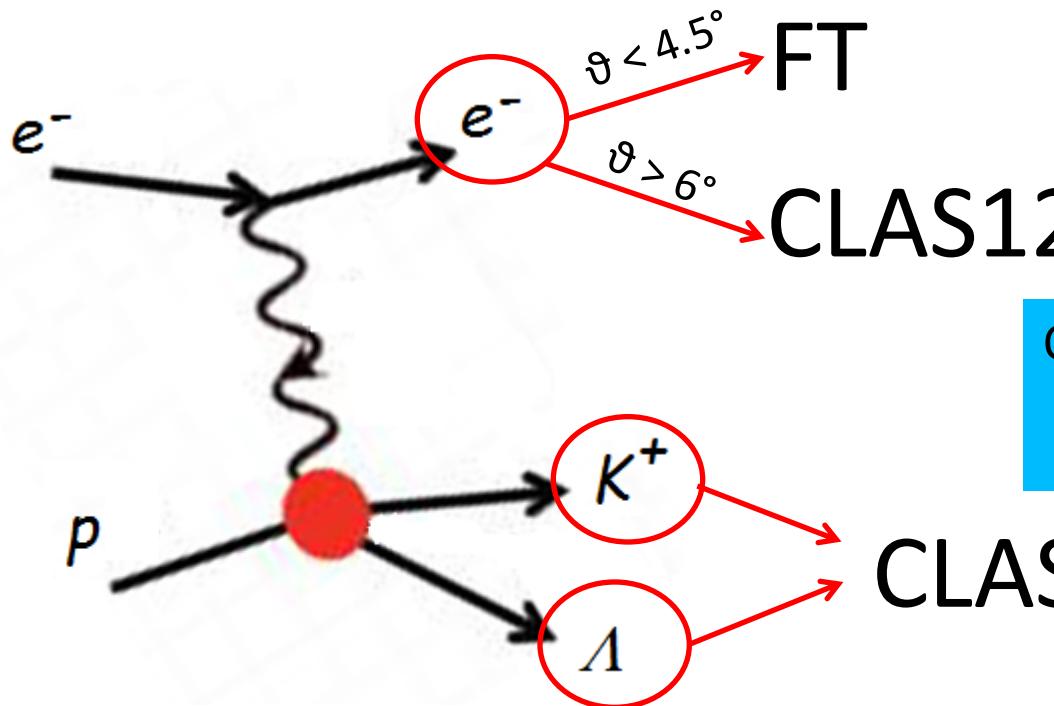
Signature

Based on available knowledge, the *signature* for hybrid baryons may consist of :

- Extra resonances with $J^p=1/2^+$ and $J^p=3/2^+$, with masses from 1.8 GeV to 2.5 GeV and decays to $N\pi\pi$ or KY final states
- A drop of the transverse helicity amplitudes $A_{1/2}(Q^2)$ and $A_{3/2}(Q^2)$ faster than for ordinary three quark states, because of extra glue-component in valence structure
- A suppressed longitudinal amplitude $S_{1/2}(Q^2)$ in comparison with transverse electro-excitation amplitude

Experiment

Scattered electrons are detected in Forward Tagger for angles from 2.5° to 4.5° . FT allows to probe the **crucial Q^2 range** where hybrid baryons may be identified due to their fast dropping $A_{1/2}(Q^2)$ amplitude and the suppression of the scalar $S_{1/2}(Q^2)$ amplitude.



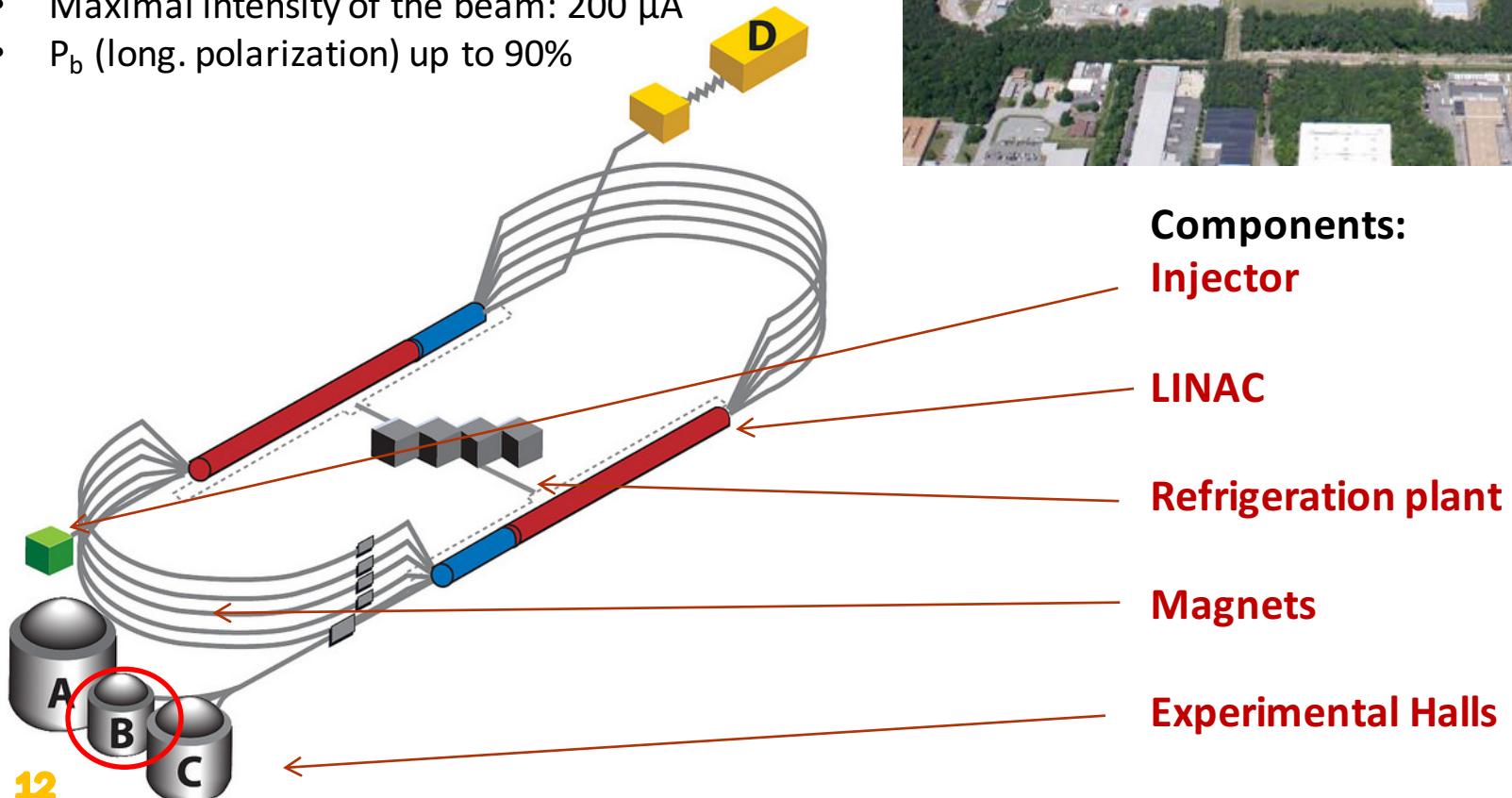
$$Q^2 \text{ range of interest: } 0.05 - 2 \text{ GeV}^2$$
$$Q^2 = 4E_{\text{Beam}} E_{e^-} \sin^2 \frac{\vartheta}{2} \Rightarrow \vartheta < 5^\circ$$

Scattered electrons are detected in the Forward Detector of CLAS12 for scattering angles greater than about 6° . Charged hadrons will be measured in the full range from 6° to 130° .

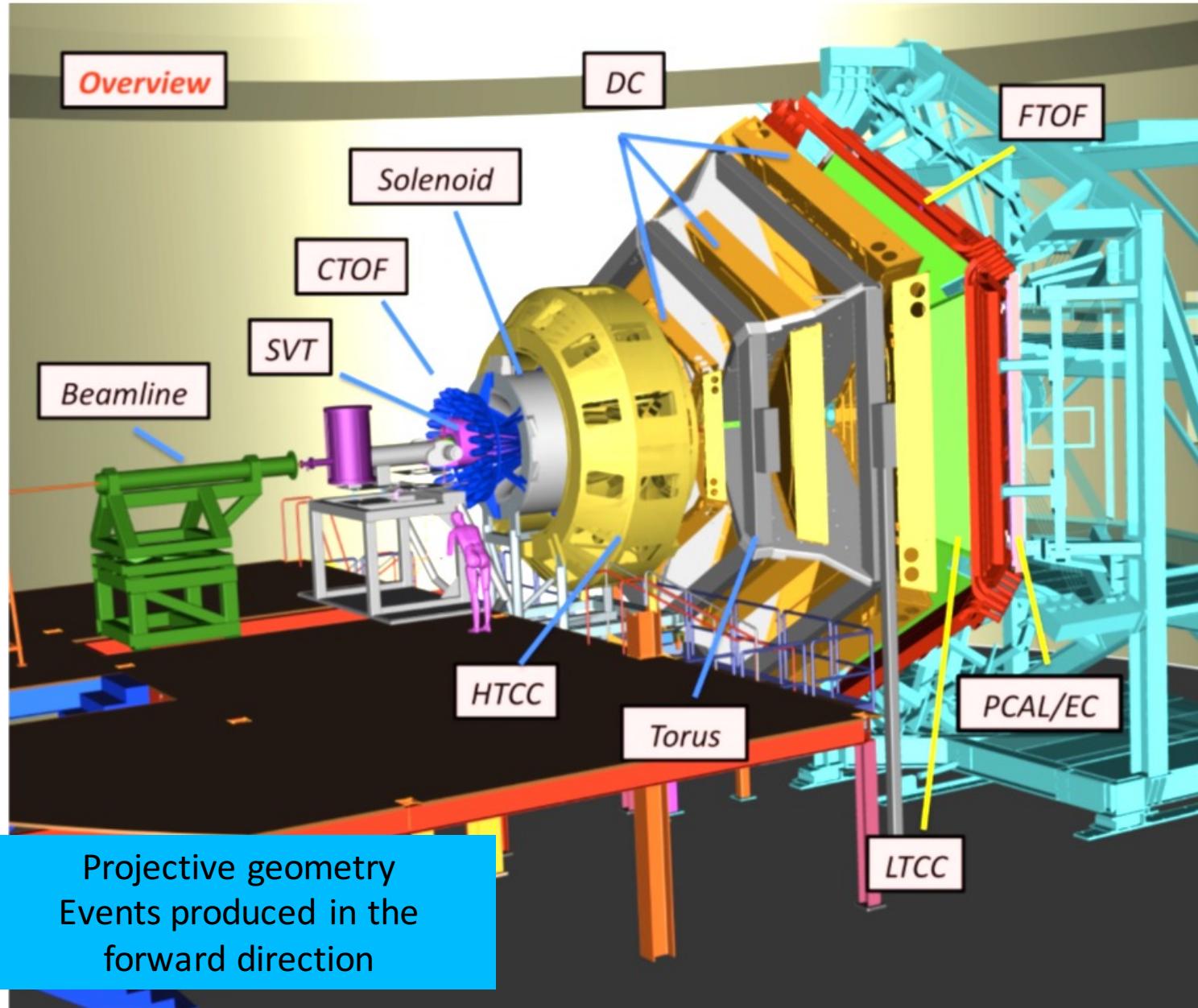
Experimental Setup: CEBAF

Important parameters:

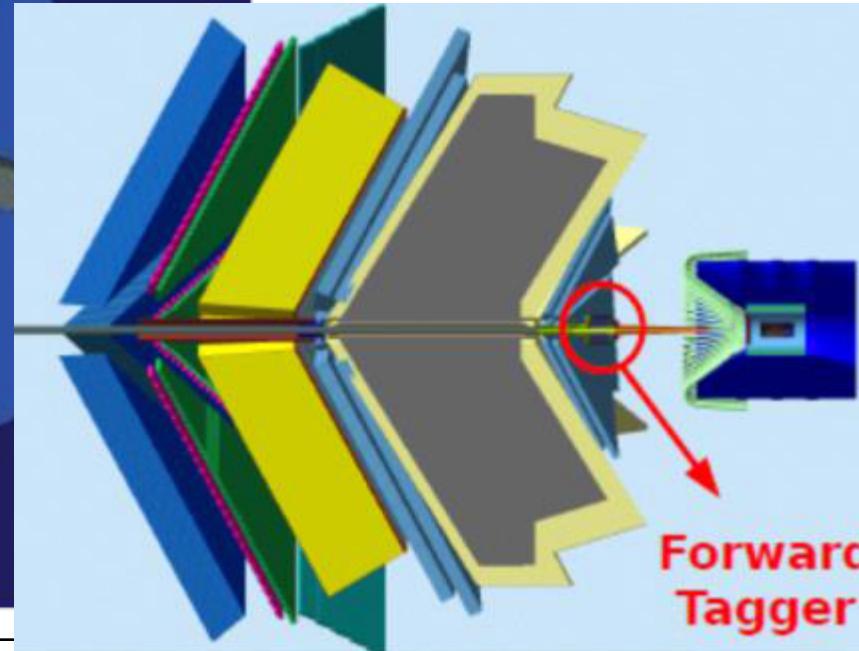
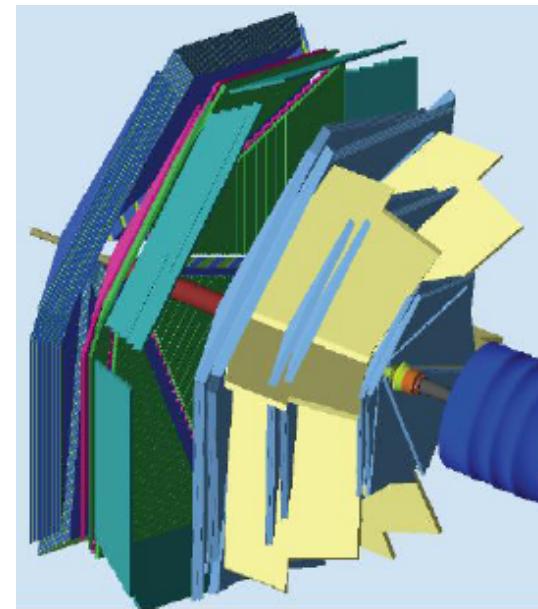
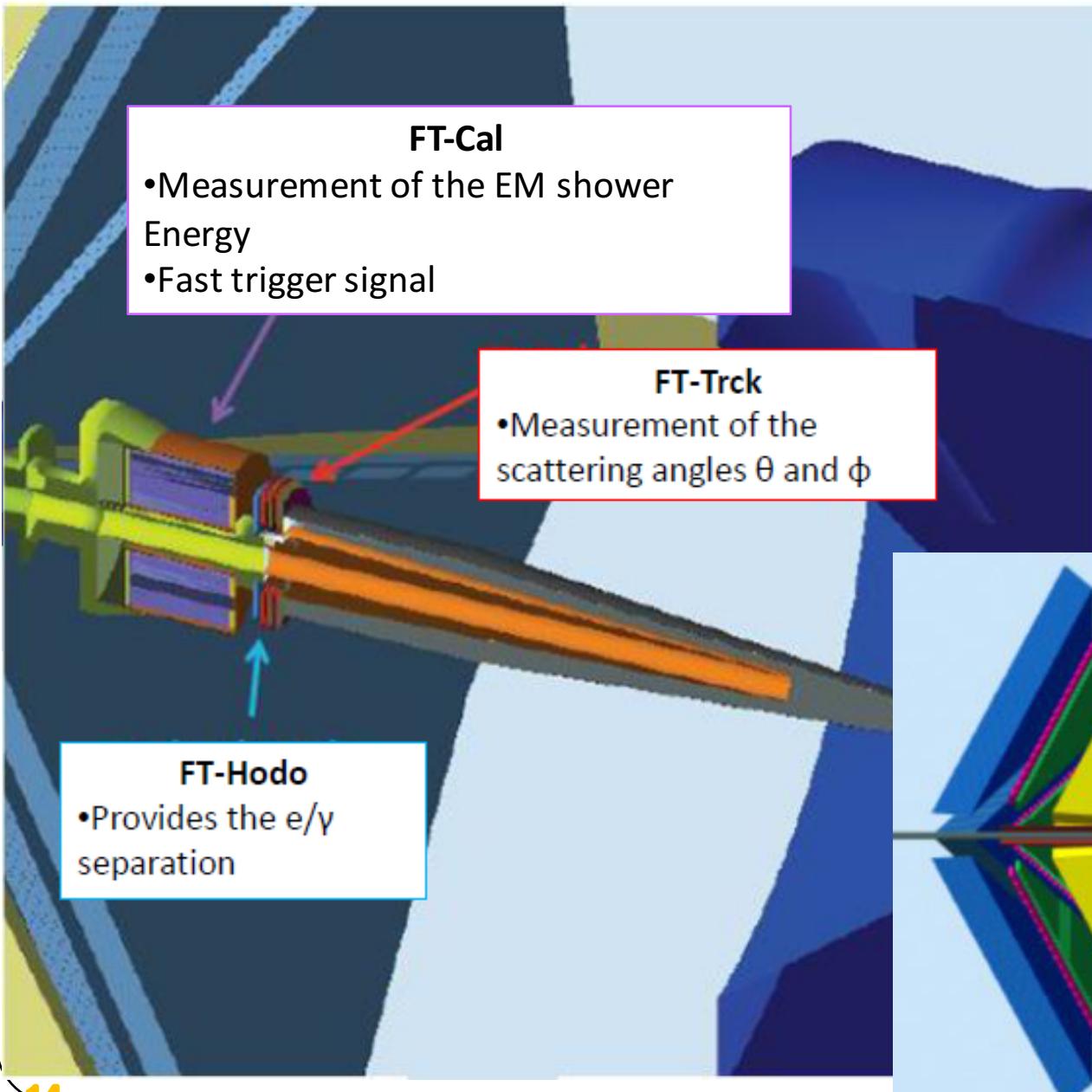
- Injector energy: **45 MeV**
- Temporal separation of the bunches 0,7 ns
- 1200 MeV each loop
- Halls A, B, C receive a **11 GeV electron beam**, Hall D a 12 GeV electron with a 2 ns time interval
- High work frequency: almost continuum beam
- Maximal intensity of the beam: $200 \mu\text{A}$
- P_b (long. polarization) up to 90%



Experimental Setup: CLAS12



Experimental Setup: Forward Tagger (FT)



Simulation and FASTMC Reconstruction of $K^+\Lambda$ Electroproduction Events in CLAS12 using the Ghent RPR-2011 Model

How to determine the best run conditions for the experiment?

Simulations

Simulations have been performed using:

- Event Generator based on the Ghent RPR-2011 Model to produce electroproduction events and a
- FASTMC to simulate CLAS12 acceptance effects.

Available data on “Strange Calc” web site

StrangeCalc

<http://rprmodel.ugent.be/calc/>

Reaction type: Electroproduction ▾

Reaction: $p(e, e' K^+) \Lambda$ $p(e, e' \pi^+) n$
 $p(e, e' K^+) \Sigma^0$ $n(e, e' \pi^-) p$
 $p(e, e' K^0) \Sigma^+$

Non-interference cross sections: $d\sigma_0$ $d\sigma_L$ $d\sigma_T$

Interference cross sections: $d\sigma_{LT}$ $d\sigma_{TT}$ $d\sigma_{LT'}$ $d\sigma_{TT'}$

Induced recoil polarization: $P_{y''}^0$
 P_n^0

Transferred recoil polarization: $P_{x''}^t$ $P_{z''}^t$
 P_l^t P_t^t

Energy variable: W s $E_{\gamma, \text{c.m.}}$ $E_{\gamma, \text{lab}}$
 Fixed Range List
 GeV

Angular variable: $\cos \theta_{\text{c.m.}}$ $-t$ $-u$
 Fixed Range List

Photon virtuality (Q^2): Fixed Range List
 GeV²

Model: RPR-2011
 RPR-2007
 VR
 No resonance contributions

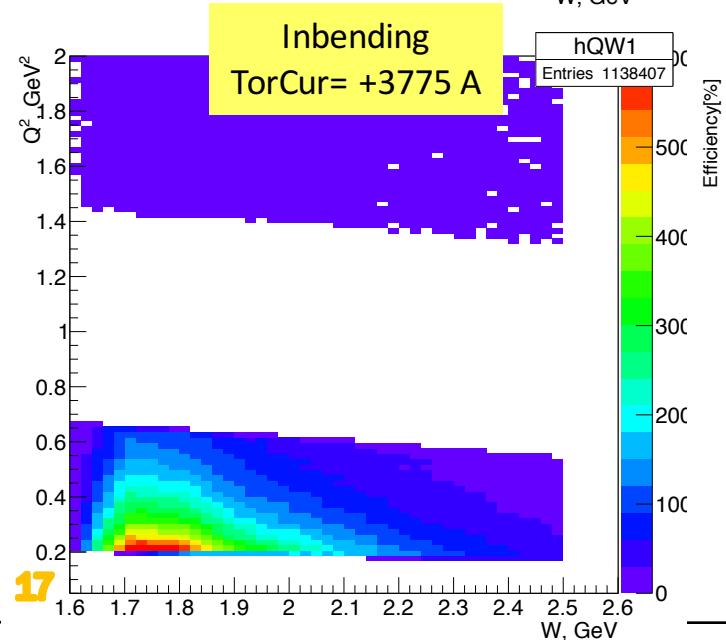
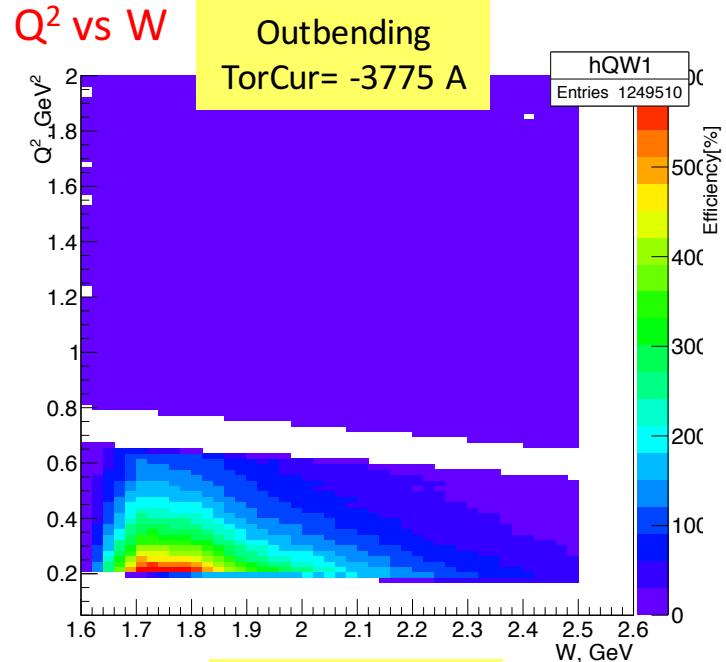
$x''y''z''$ -frame: The z'' -axis is along the virtual photon's three-momentum, the $x''z''$ -plane is the electron plane, and the x'' -axis' direction is such that the final electron's x'' -component is positive.

ntl -frame: The t -axis is along the final baryon's three-momentum, the tl -plane is the hadron plane, and the t -axis' direction is such that the virtual photon's t -component is positive.

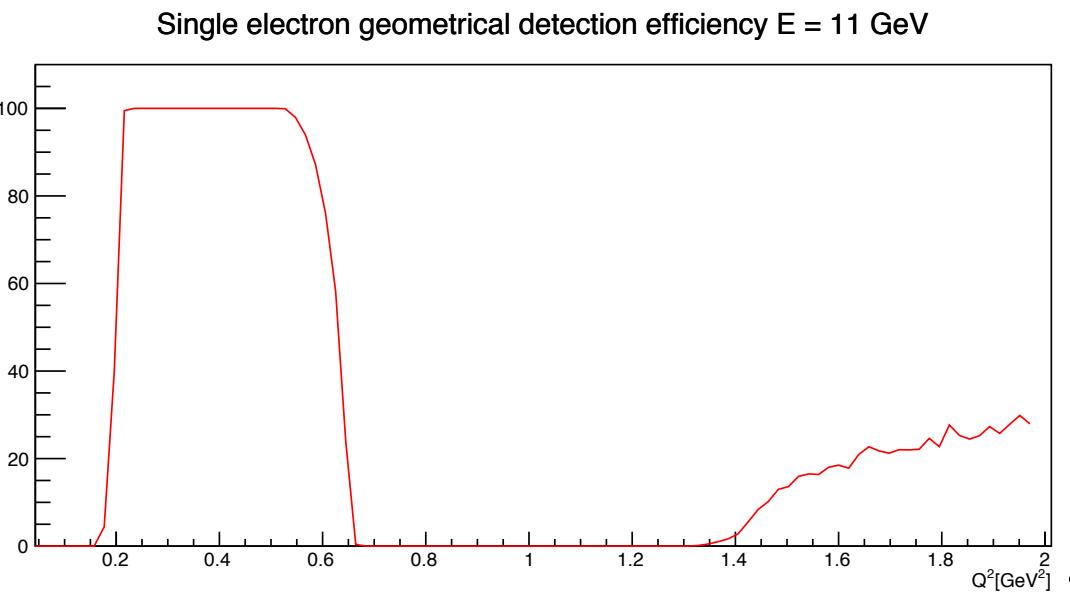
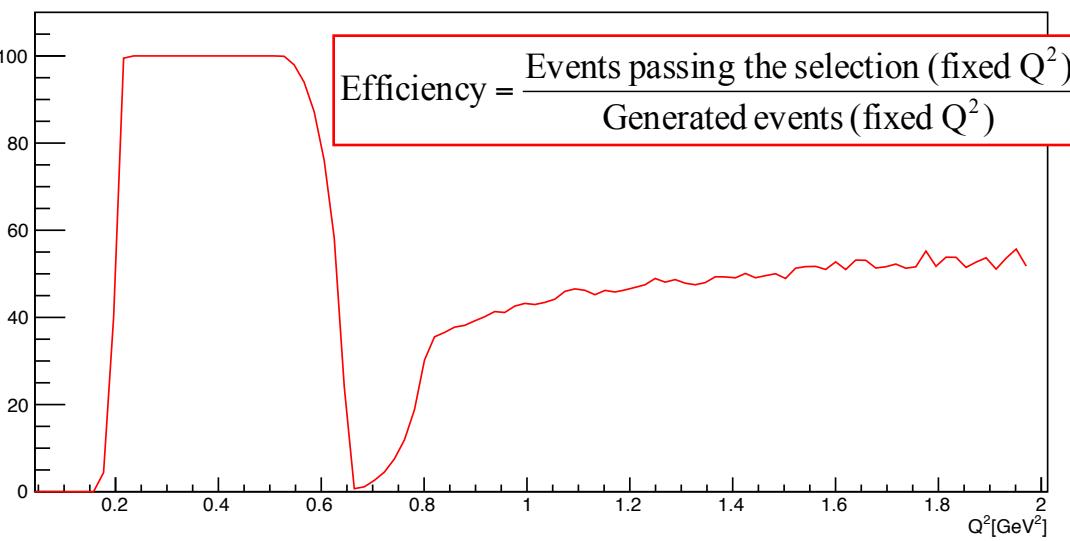
For the options 'Fixed' and 'Range', unphysical entries will be corrected if the variable's minimum/maximum value is not fixed.
E.g.: $W = 0$ GeV will be corrected to $W = W_0$, with W_0 being the threshold energy, and $-t = 0$ GeV² will be corrected to $-t = -t_0$, with $-t_0$ being the minimum value of $-t$.

StrangeCalc data have been used for the Event Generator.

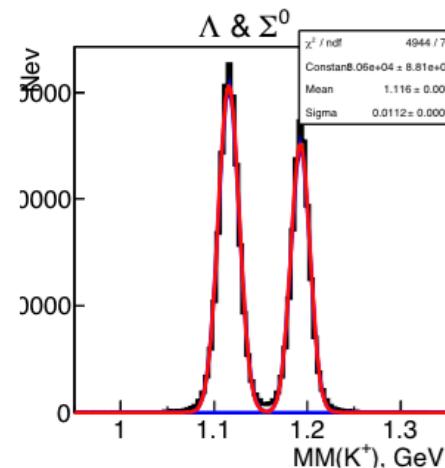
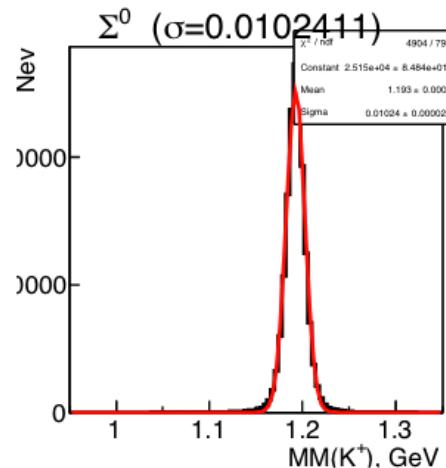
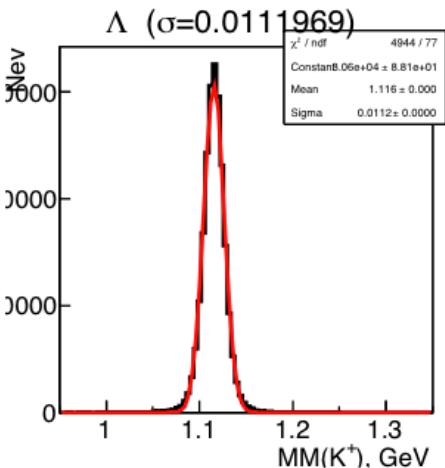
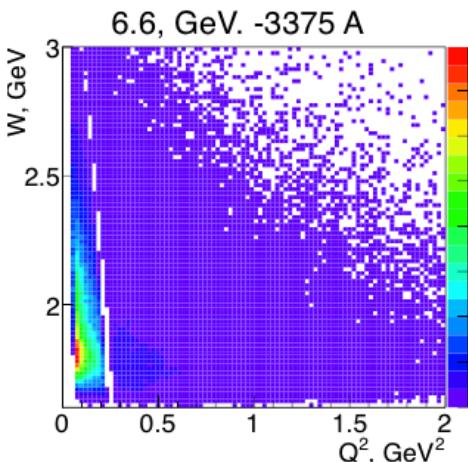
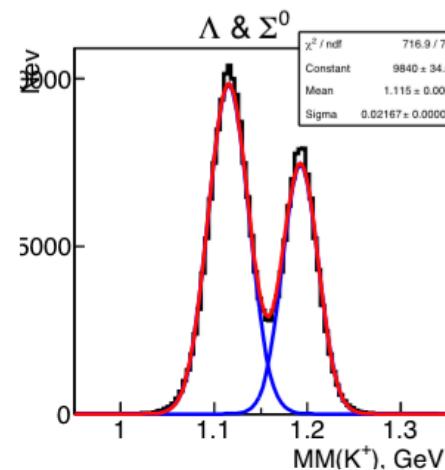
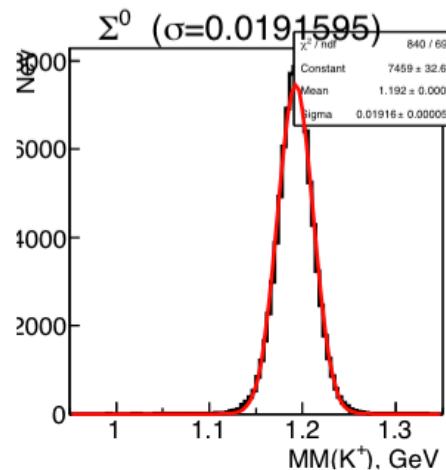
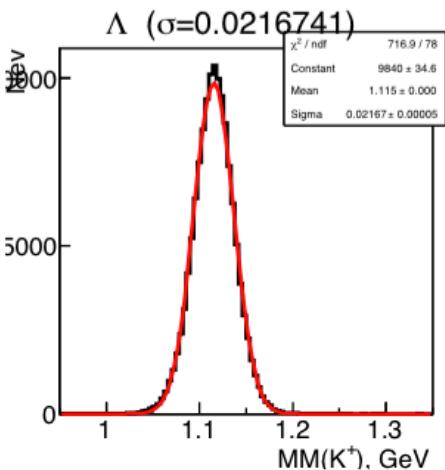
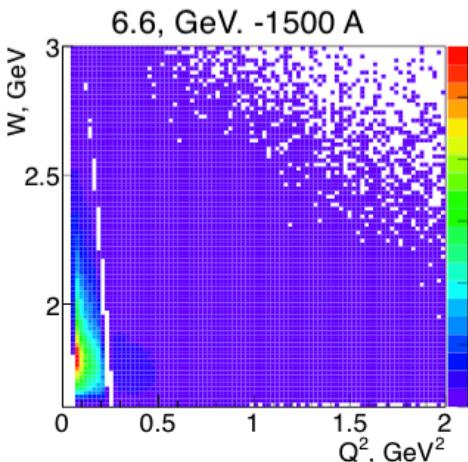
Magnetic field: inbending or outbending?



Efficiency curve
Single electron geometrical detection efficiency $E = 11$ GeV



Strength of Torus current



e'K⁺ missing mass
to reconstruct Λ

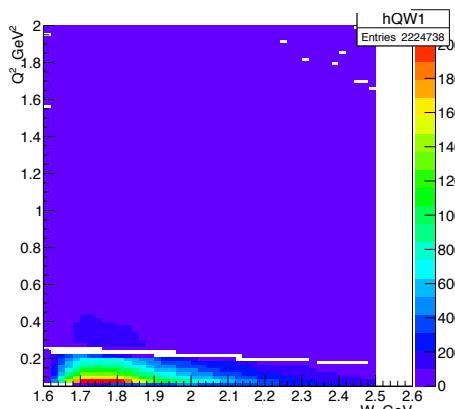
e'K⁺ missing mass to
reconstruct Σ^0

K⁺ Λ and K⁺ Σ^0 overlap
histograms
↓
Advantage of high
CLAS12 torus currents

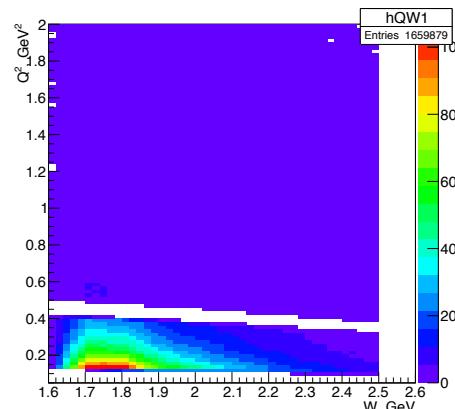
Covering the whole Q^2 range

Q^2 vs W

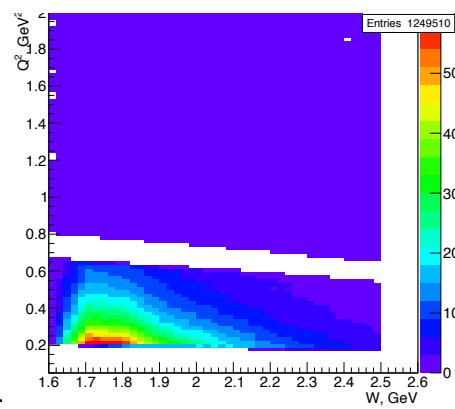
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TorCur= -3775 A



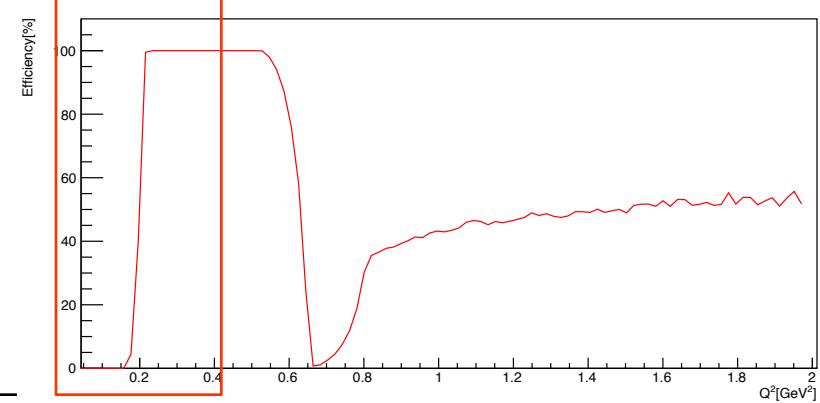
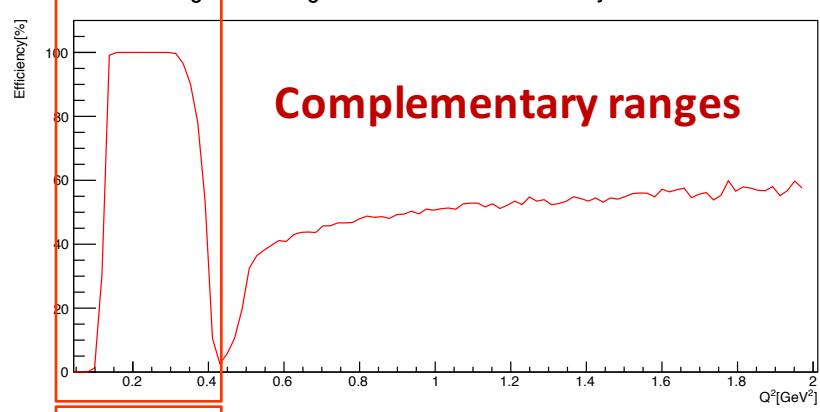
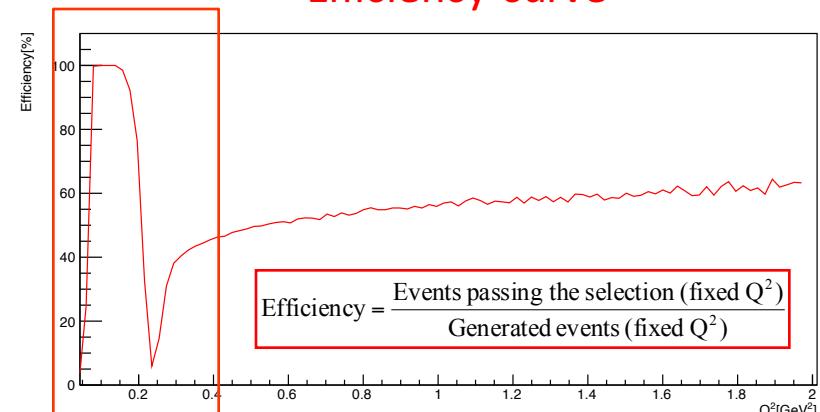
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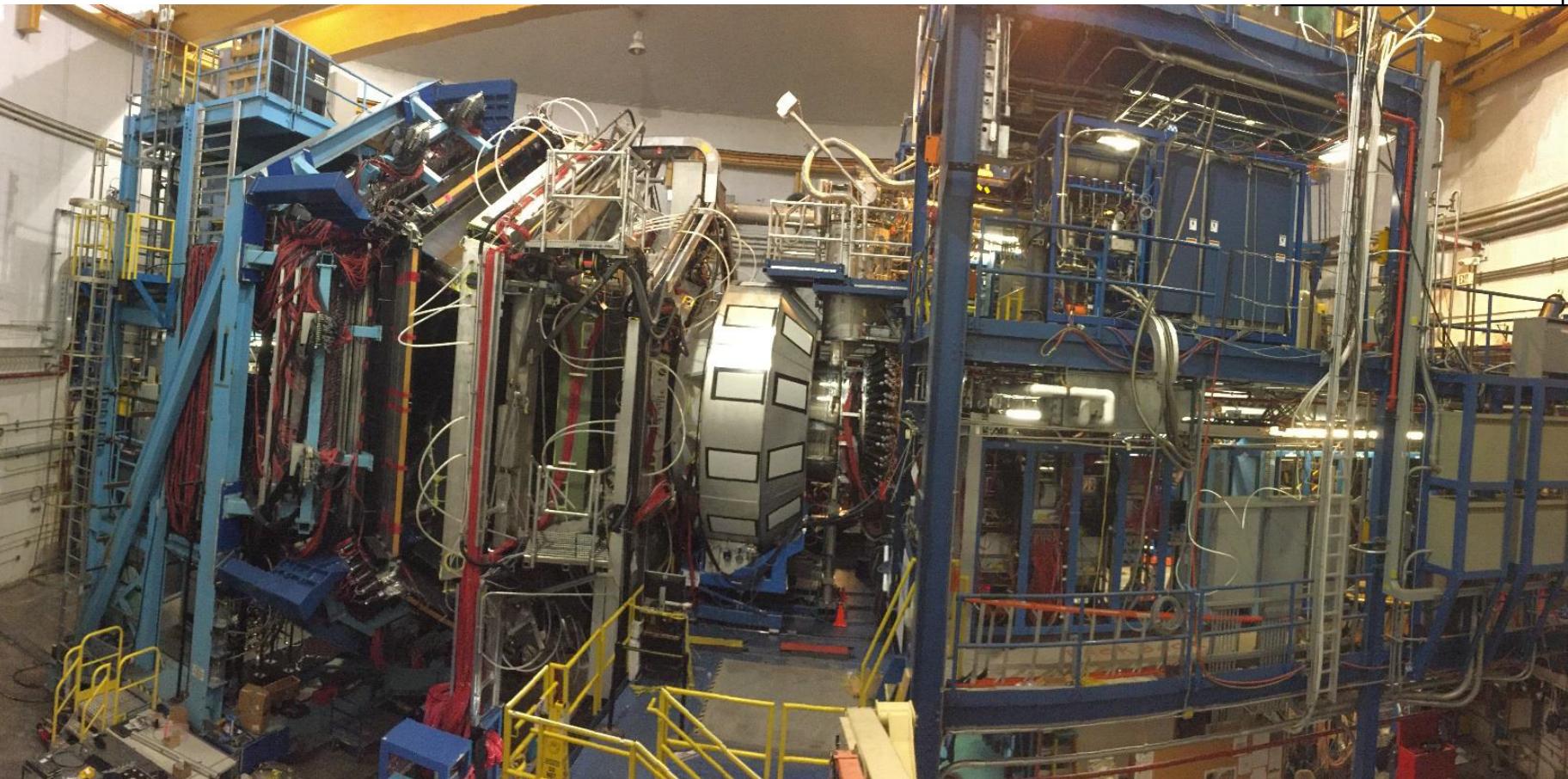
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Efficiency curve



12 GeV electron with CLAS12



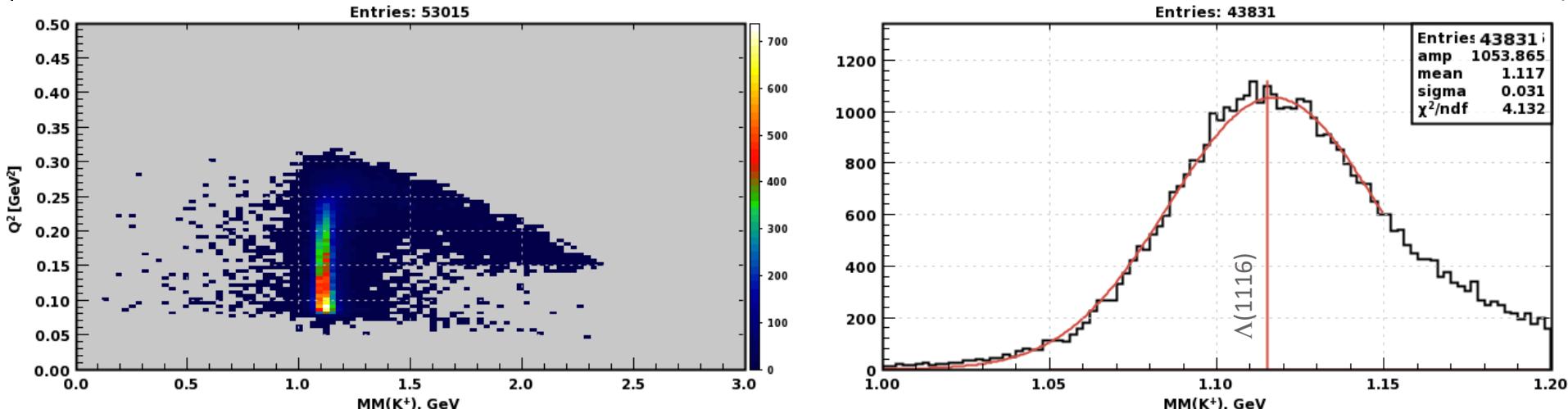
Physics Run started in February 2018.

RGK dedicated Run took data during Fall 2018.

Upgraded Simulation and Reconstruction of $K^+\Lambda$ Electroproduction Events in CLAS12 using the RPR-2011 Model, GEMC and CLARA

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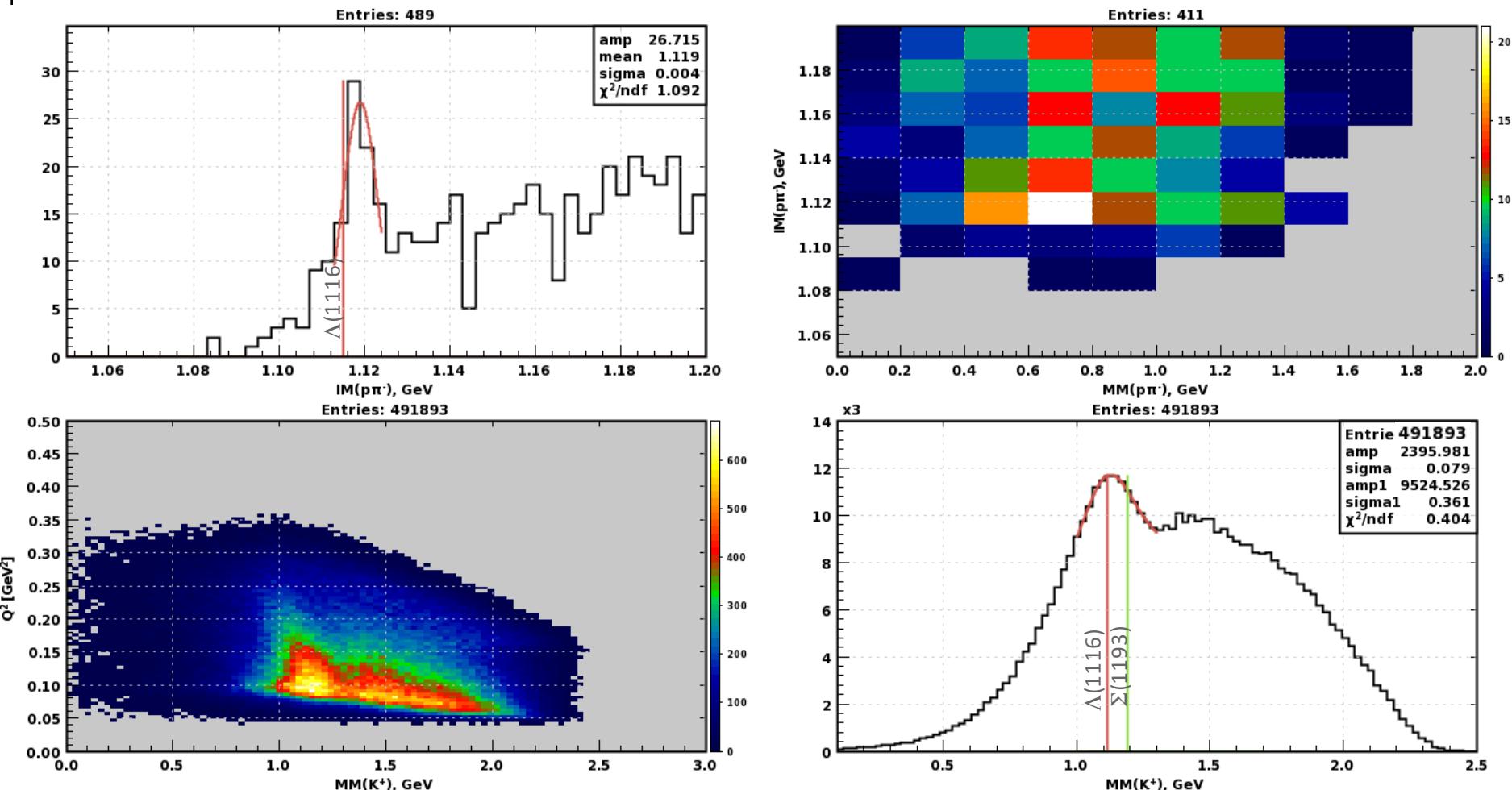
- $1.6 \text{ GeV} < W < 3 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_{\text{beam}} = 7.5 \text{ GeV}$
- Torus/Solenoid current: 100% / -100%
- 529948 $K\Lambda$ Events analyzed

Preliminary Results from 5700 Run

5700 Run Conditions:

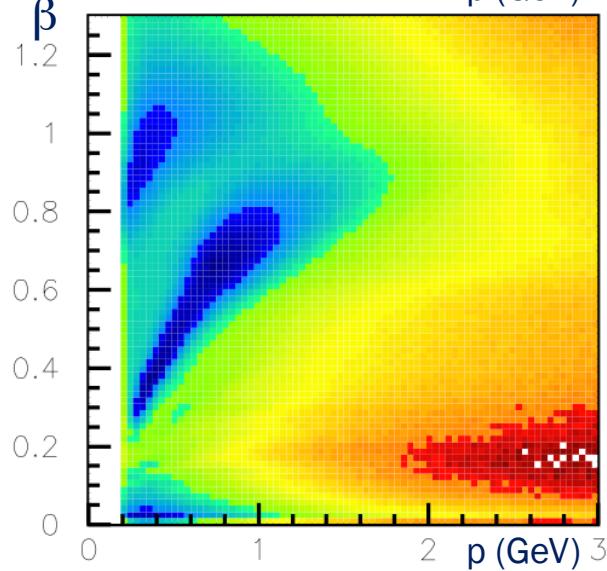
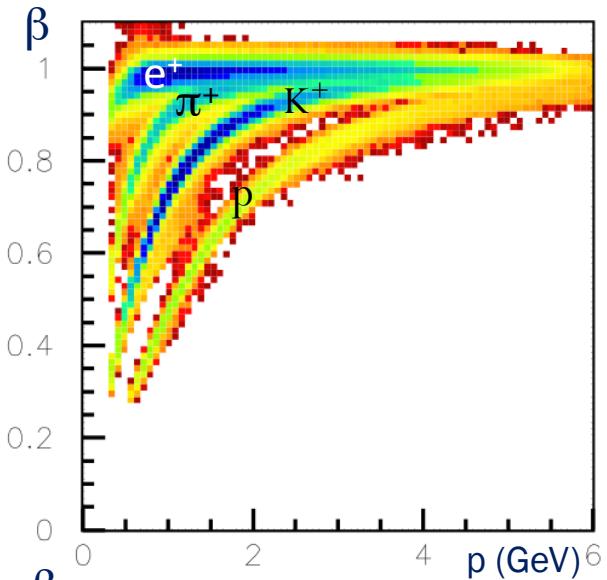
- E_{beam} = 7.546 GeV
- Total Events: ~ 100 M
- Current: 30 nA
- Trigger Config: rgk v2.cnf1 e^- in CLAS with PCAL+ECAL ≥ 300 MeV
 $1 e^-$ in FT and 1 charged fwd
- Torus/Solenoid current: 100% / -100% (Negative Outbending, -3775)
- Target: LH₂

5700 e⁻K⁺: electron in FT

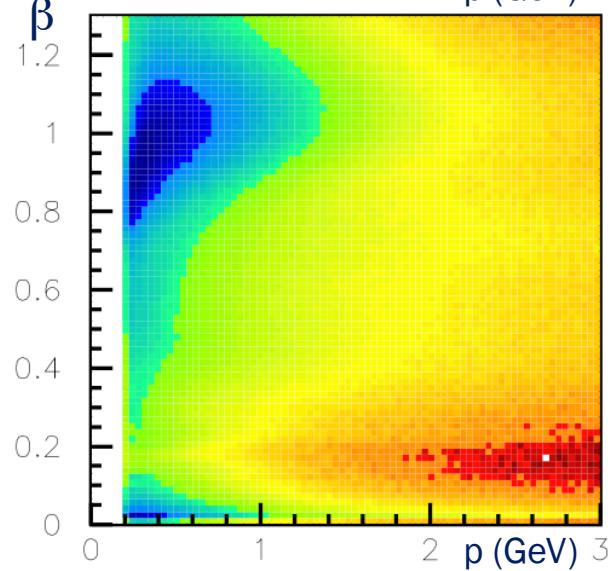
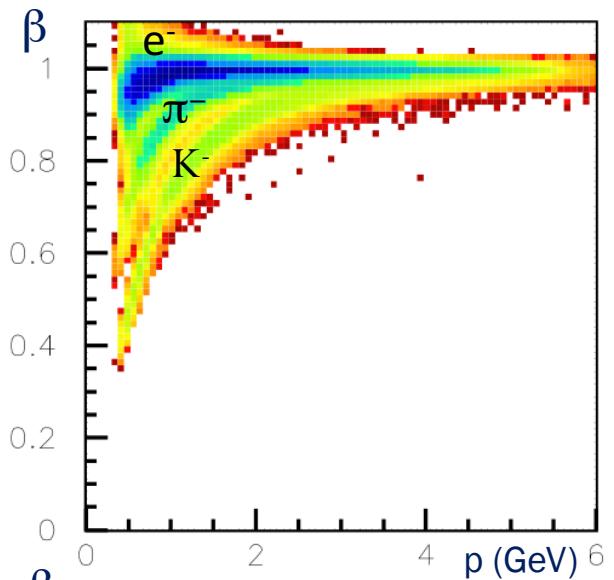


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Particle ID: electron in CLAS



Positive particles



Negative particles

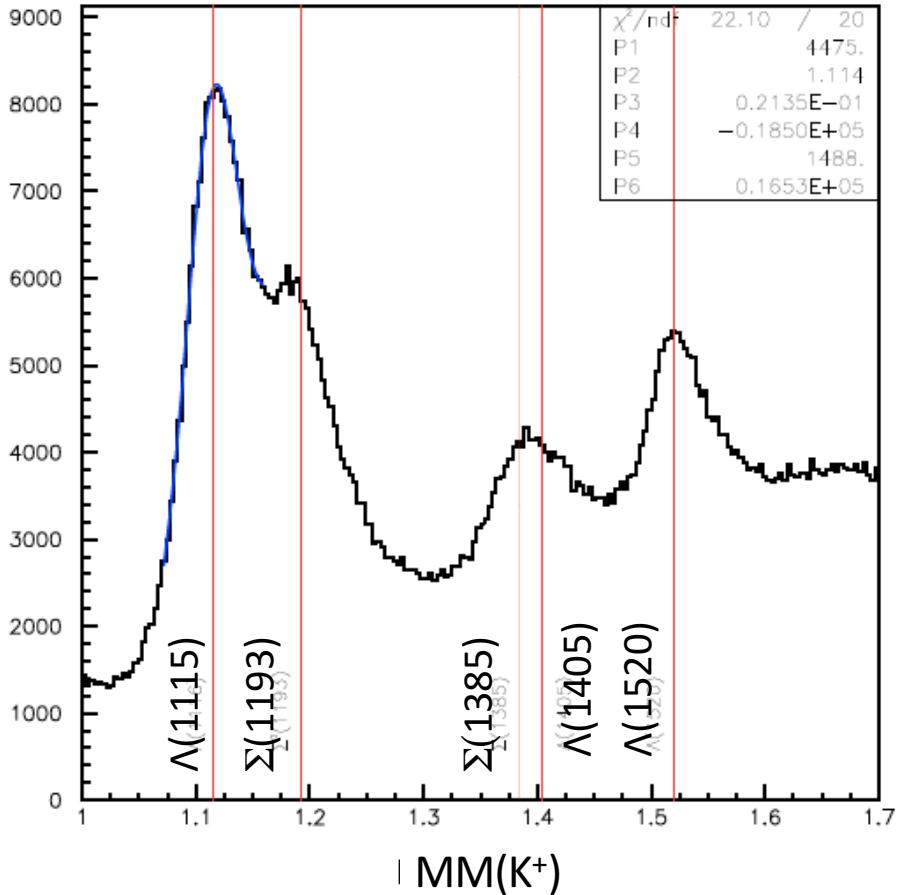
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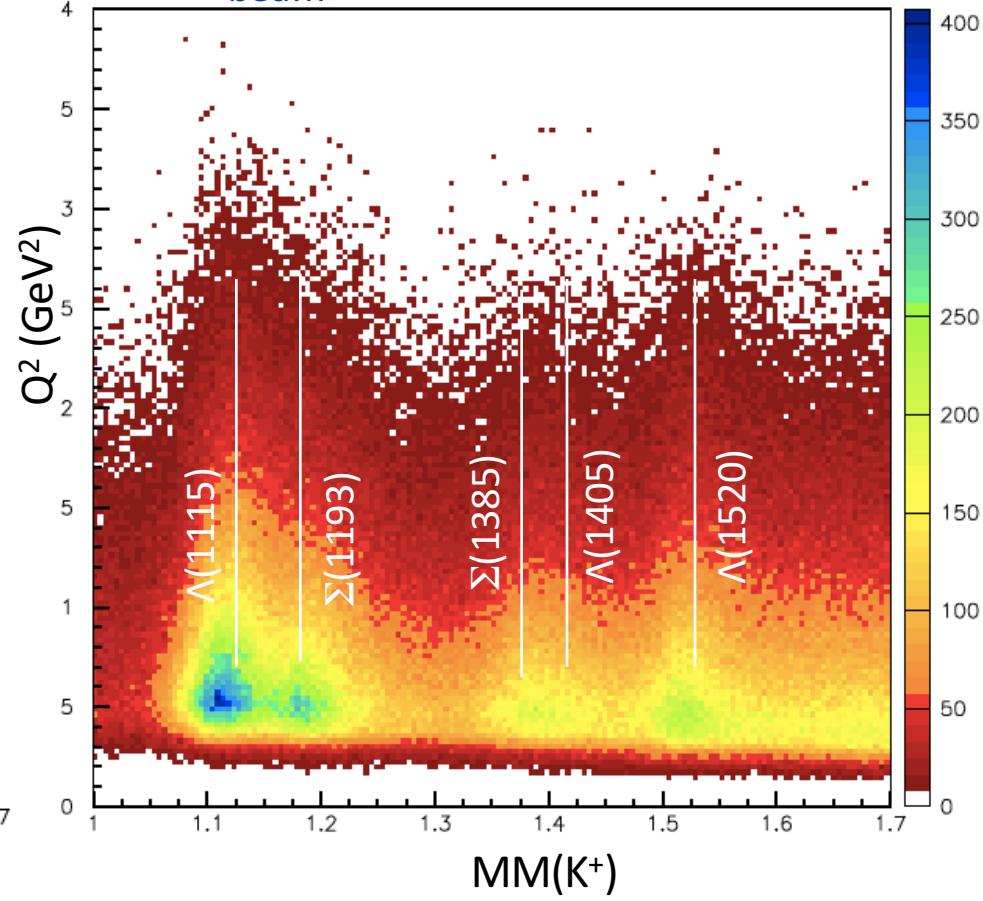
Courtesy of D. Carman

First Results: electron in CLAS

$p(e, e' K^+) X$



$E_{beam} = 7.546 \text{ GeV}$



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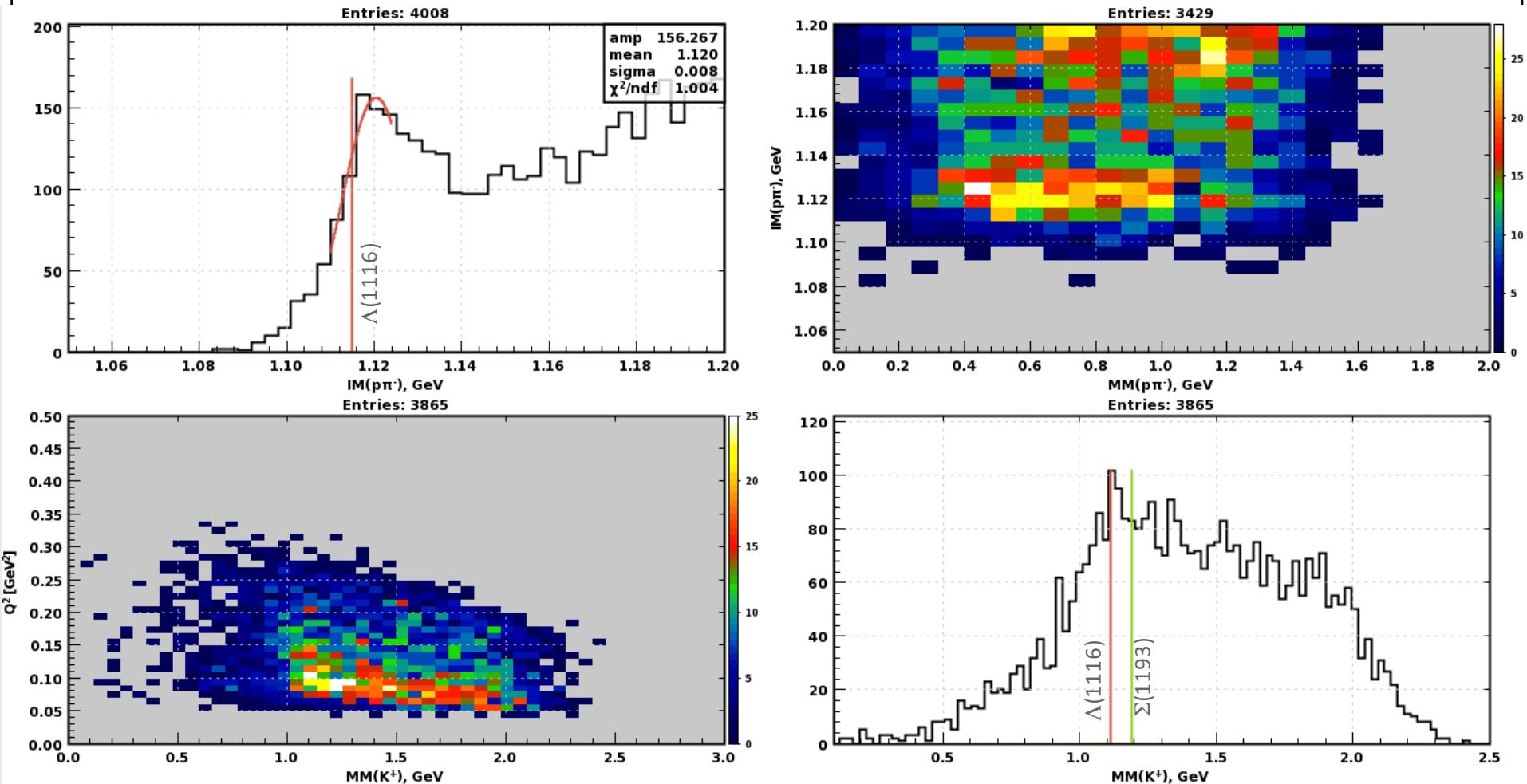
MESONEX-VERYSTRANGE Trains

- e^- in FT + (F+F- or F+F+ or F+C+ or F-C+ or C+C+ or F+C- or C-C+ or F+C- or C+C-)
- Runs: 5681, 5682, 5683, 5684, 5700, 5701, 5702, 5703, 5704, 5705, 5706, 5707, 5708, 5771, 5772
- 7.5 GeV period (FT-on)
- Torus/Solenoid Scale: 1/-1
- Torus/Solenoid Current: -3770.0 A (negative outbending)/ 2416.0 A
- Target: LH₂

Selection:

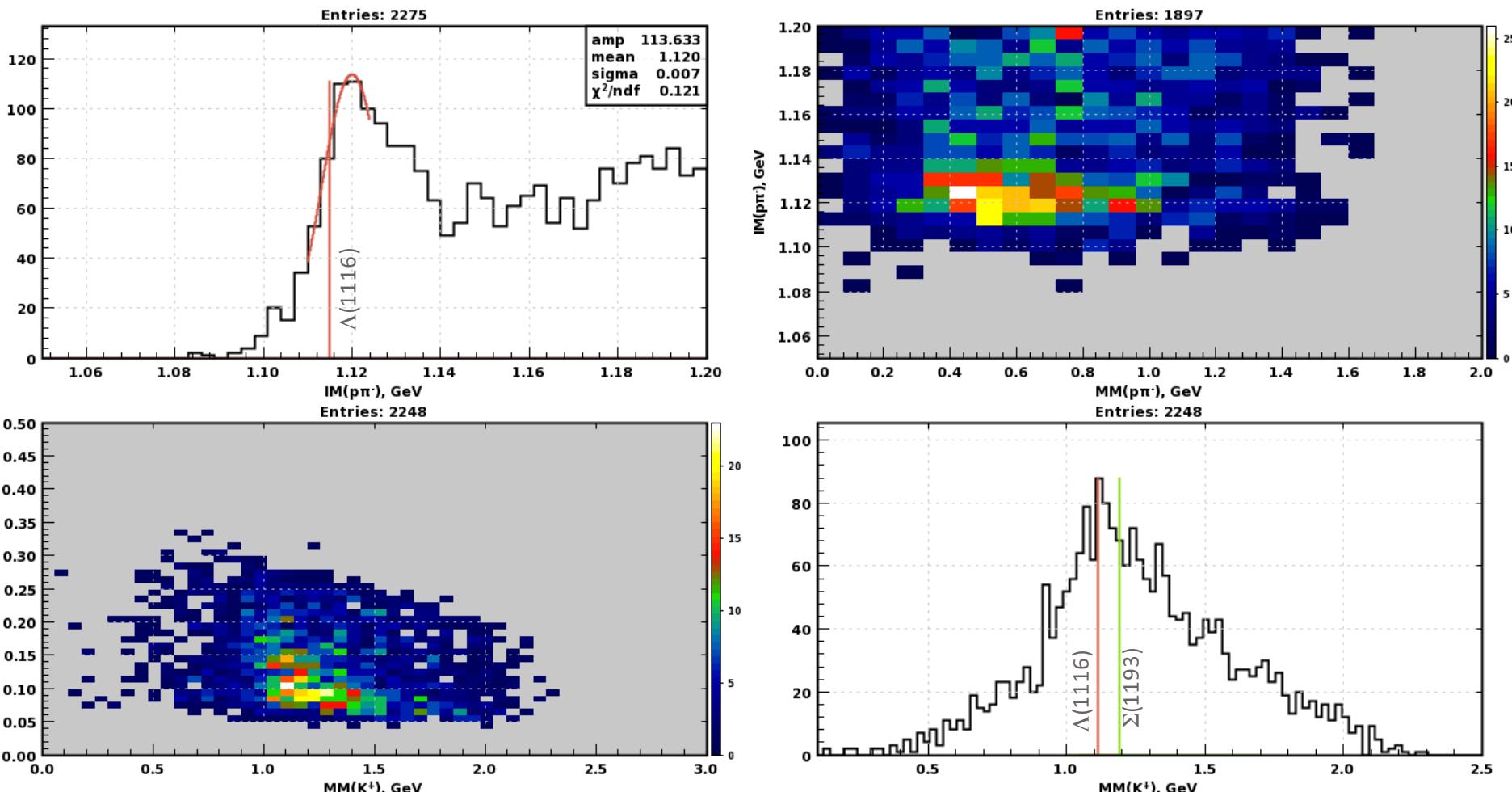
- Study of Exclusive channel: final state with $e^- p \pi^- K^+$
- $|p_x(e^- p \pi^- K^+)| < 0.2$ GeV and $|p_y(e^- p \pi^- K^+)| < 0.2$ GeV
- ~ 186 M events analized

Trains Exclusive Channel: electron in FT



$1.6 \text{ GeV} < W < 3 \text{ GeV}$

Trains Exclusive Channel without $|p_{x,y}(e^- p \pi^- K^+)| < 0.2$ GeV selection: electron in FT



$1.6 \text{ GeV} < W < 3 \text{ GeV}$

Conclusions and Outlook

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- Full implementation in CLAS12 simulation and reconstruction
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