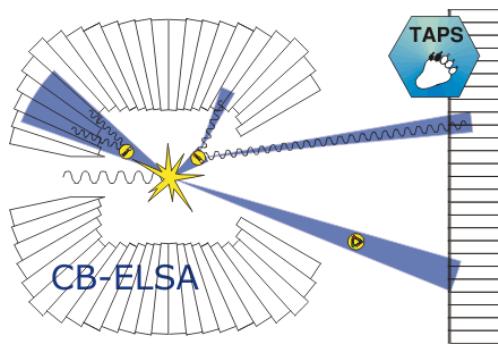
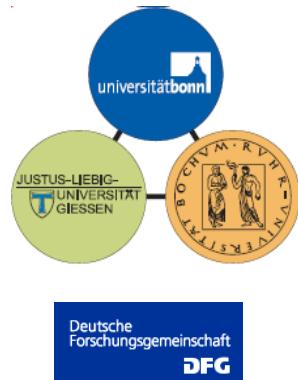


# Measurement of polarization observables $I^s$ and $I^c$ in the reaction $\vec{\gamma} p \rightarrow p\pi^0\pi^0$ with the CBELSA/TAPS experiment

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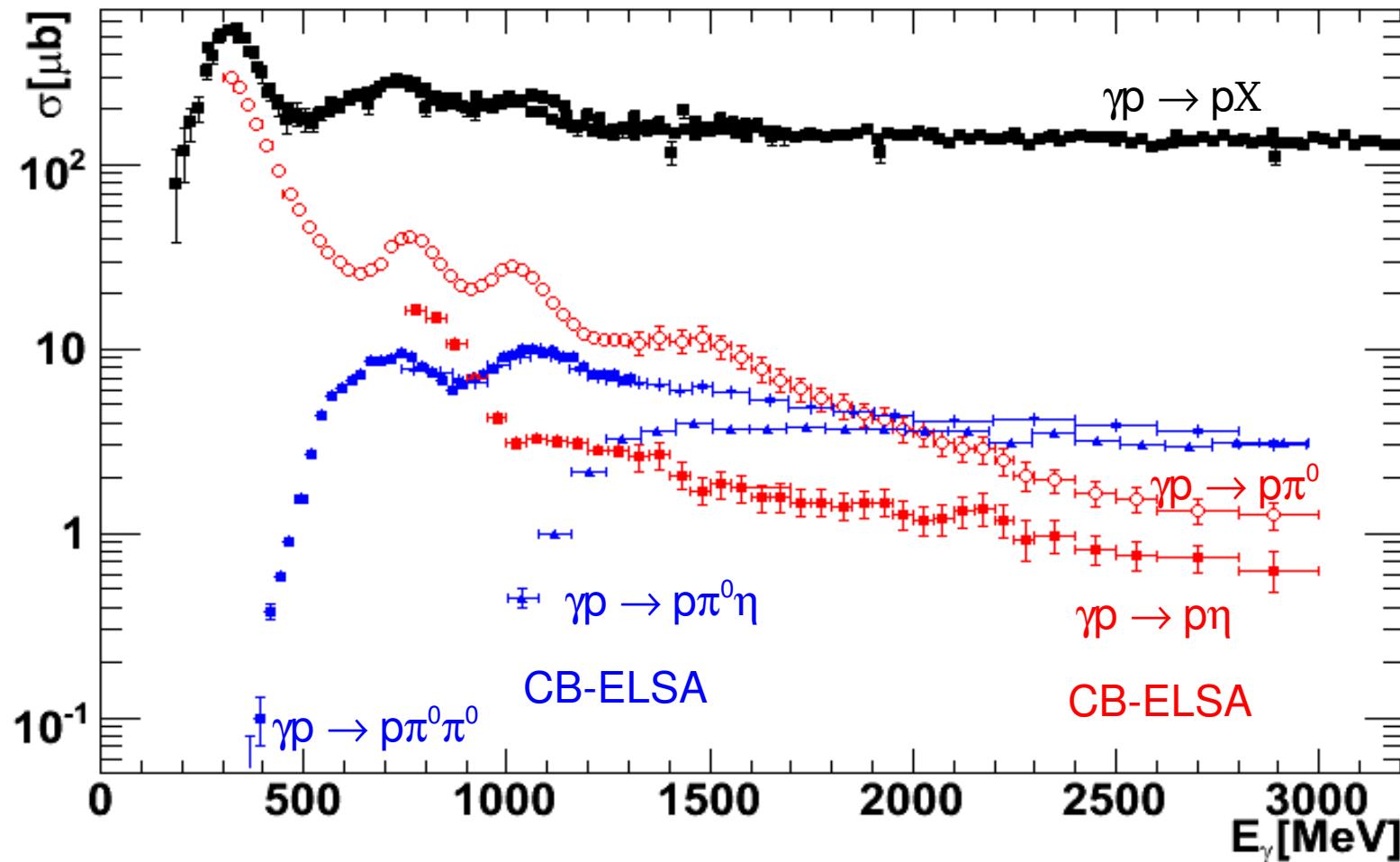
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# Introduction

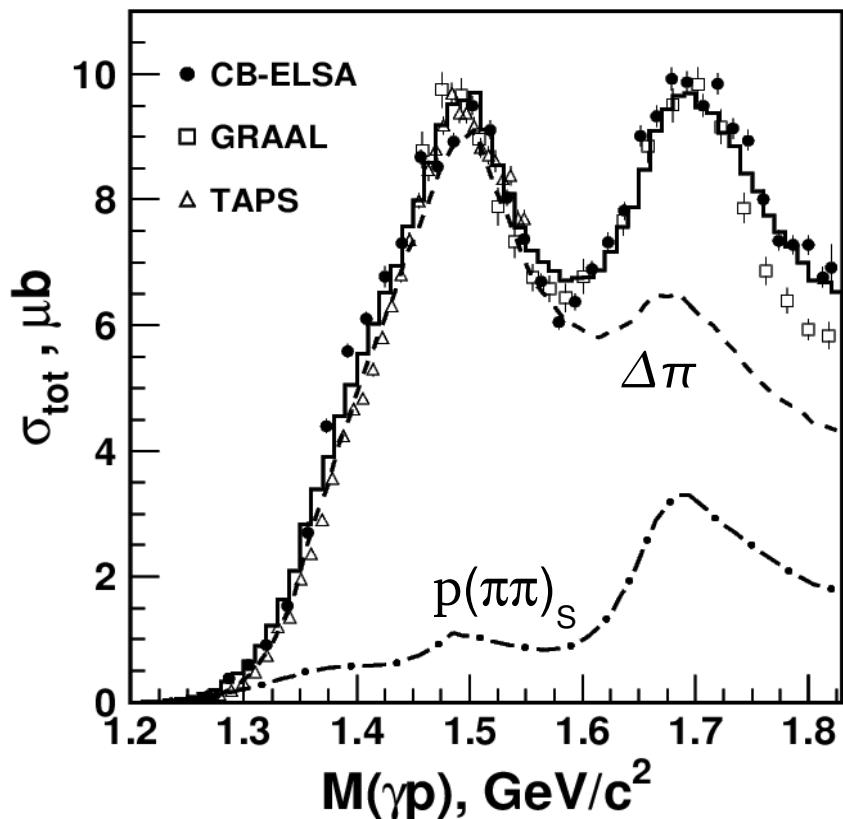
Goal: Gain a good understanding of the spectrum and properties of baryon resonances



At high energies:

Multi-meson final states play a role of increasing importance!

# Introduction



CB-ELSA fit (BnGa-PWA)  
including additional data from:  
single-meson production,  
 $\pi^- p \rightarrow n 2\pi^0$  (Crystal Ball),  
 $P_{11}^-$ ,  $S_{11}^-$ ,  $P_{33}^-$ ,  $D_{33}^-$  -  $\pi N$   
partial waves

event-based  
maximum-likelihood fit

⇒ Determination of resonance properties:  
 $m, \Gamma_i(\Delta\pi^0, N(\pi\pi)_S, P_{11}\pi, D_{13}\pi, \dots)$

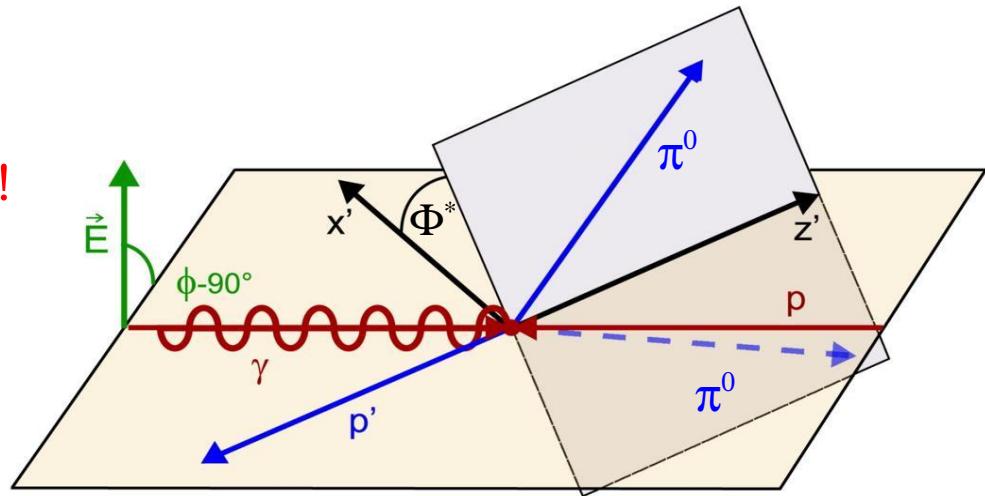
Measurement of polarization observables necessary !

For a complete experiment, 15 observables are needed!

W. Roberts and T. Oed, Phys. Rev. C 71, 055201 (2005)

# Introduction

- Three-particle final state: additional plane !
- Additional polarization observables in comparison to single meson final state

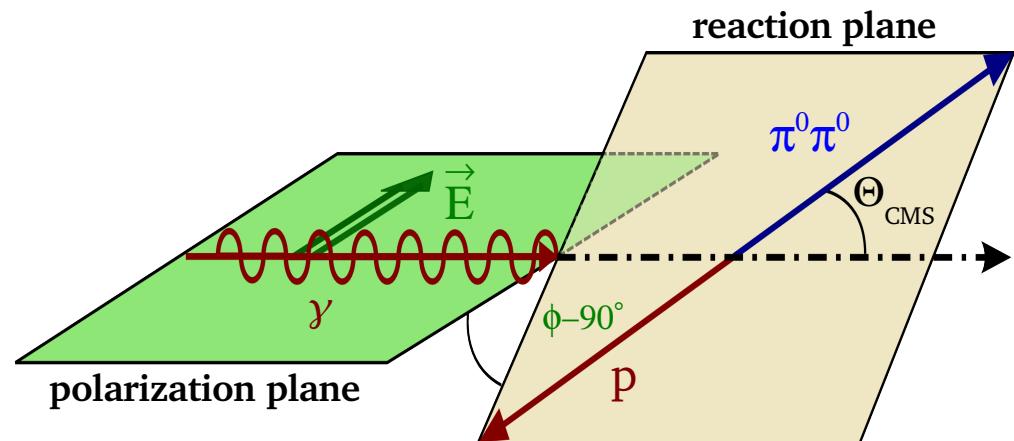


Linearly polarized photon beam, unpolarized target:

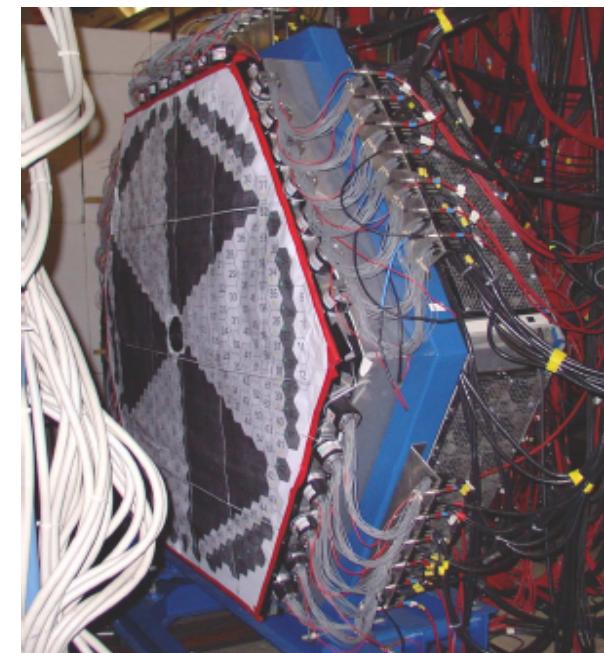
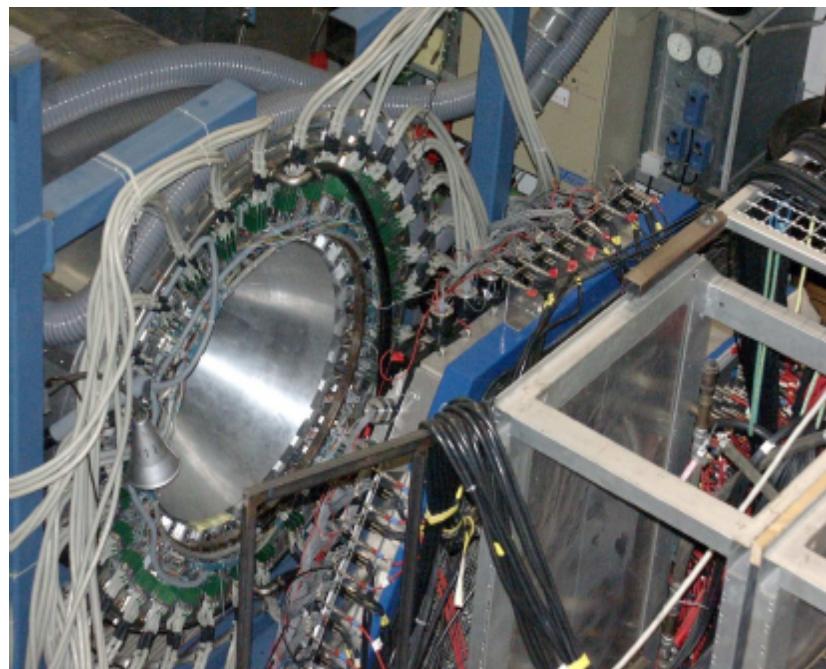
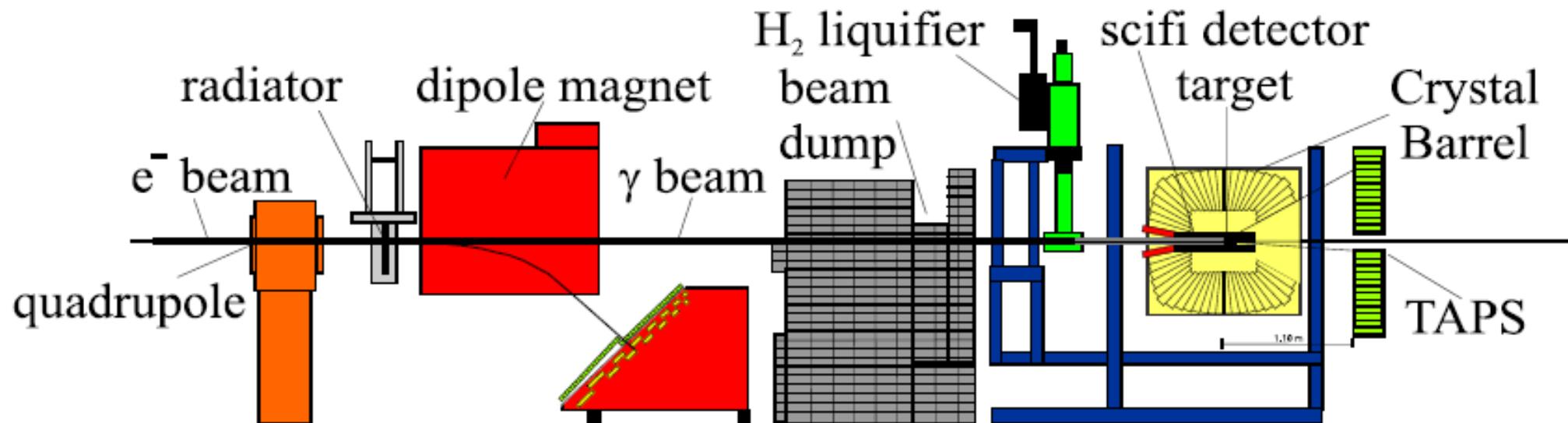
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_0 \{1 + \delta_I [I^s \sin(2\phi) + I^c \cos(2\phi)]\}$$

Quasi two-body consideration:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_0 [1 + \delta_I \Sigma \cos(2\phi)]$$



# The CBELSA/TAPS experiment



# The data

CBELSA/TAPS:

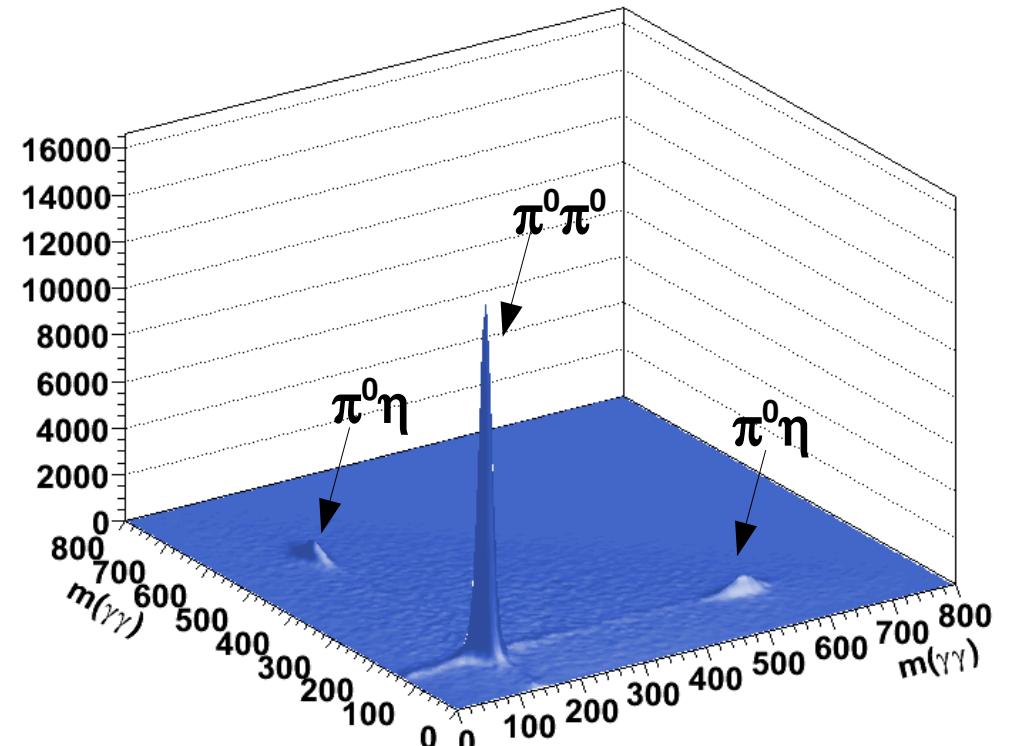
A:  $\text{Pol}_{\text{max}} = 49.2\% @ E_{\gamma} = 1300 \text{ MeV}$

B:  $\text{Pol}_{\text{max}} = 38.7\% @ E_{\gamma} = 1600 \text{ MeV}$

- Produced via coherent bremsstrahlung at a diamond crystal
- Liquid hydrogen as target material

Data selected for  $4\gamma$  (+proton) events

$\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^0 \pi^0$  clearly observed!

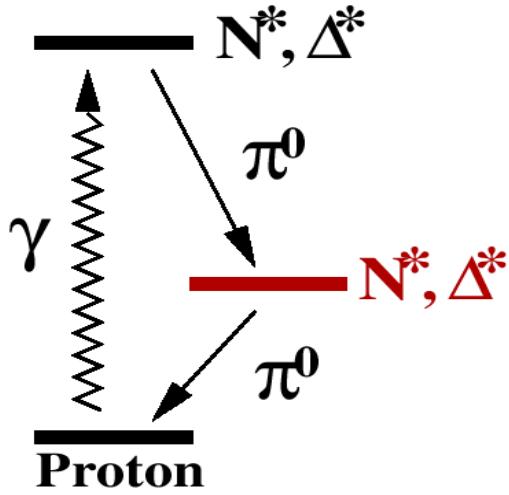


- Preselection on invariant mass, coplanarity, missing mass
- Kinematic fit:  $\text{Cl}_{\pi\pi} > \text{Cl}_{\pi\eta}$  and  $\text{Cl}_{\pi\pi} > 10\%$

**560,000 events** used for determination of polarization observables ( $E_{\gamma} = 970 - 1650 \text{ MeV}$ )

**After cuts: background contamination < 1%**

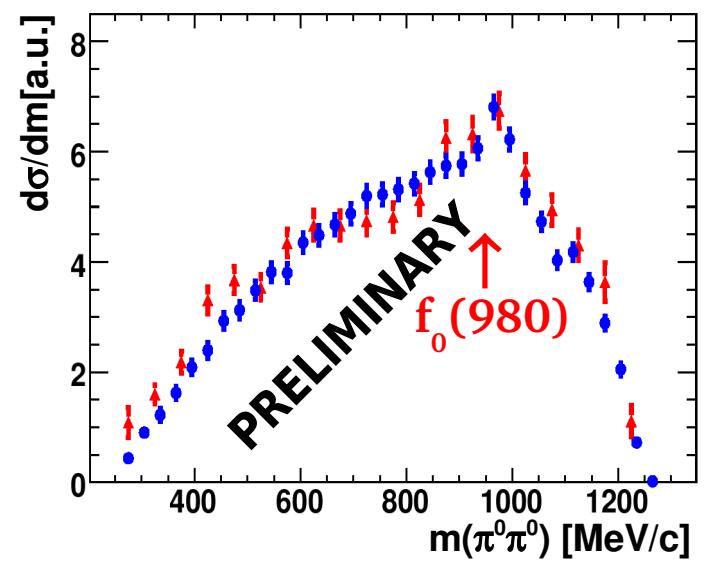
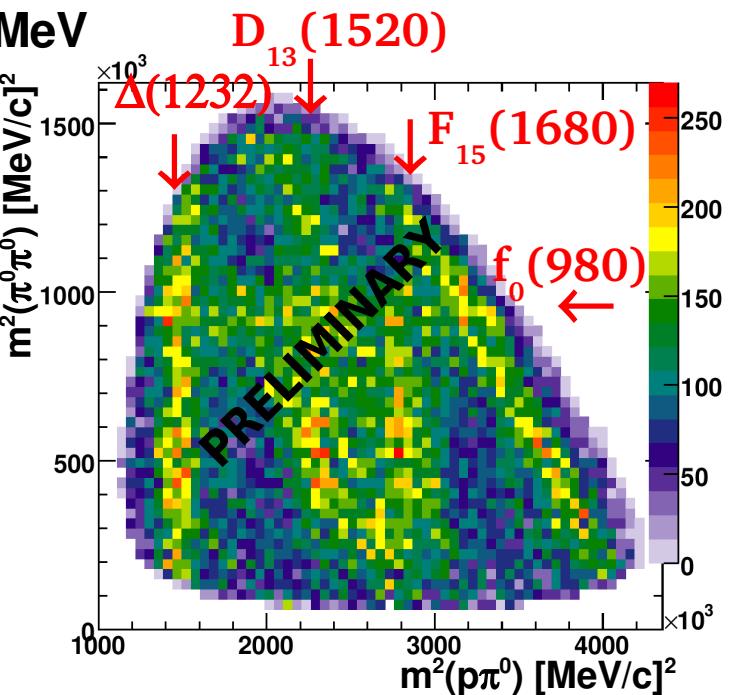
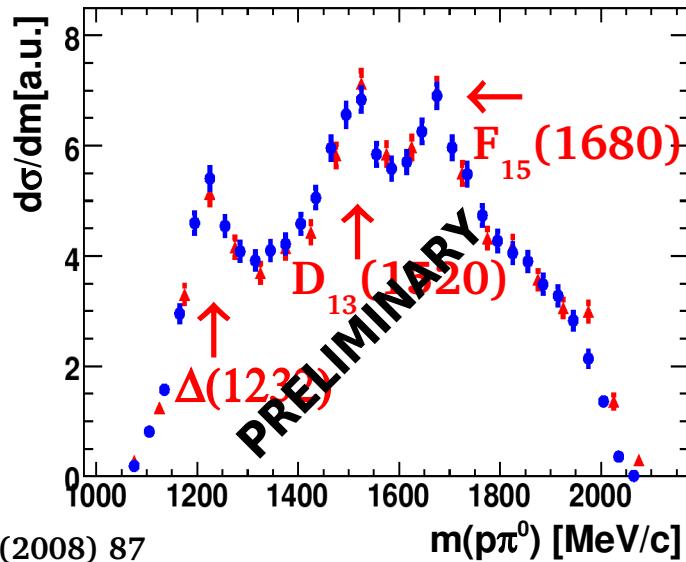
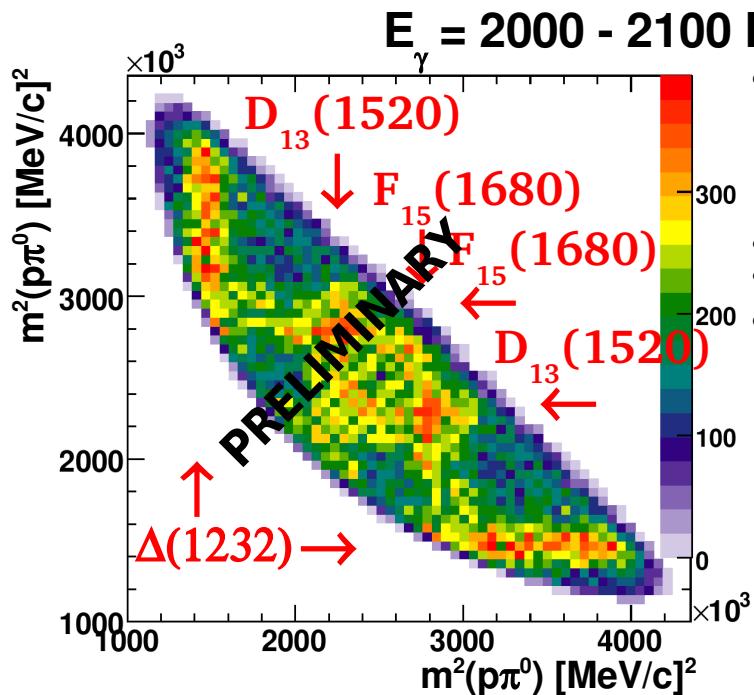
# Sequential decays



# CB-ELSA data

$E_\gamma = 2000 - 2200 \text{ MeV}$

U. Thoma, M. Fuchs et al., PLB 659 (2008) 87

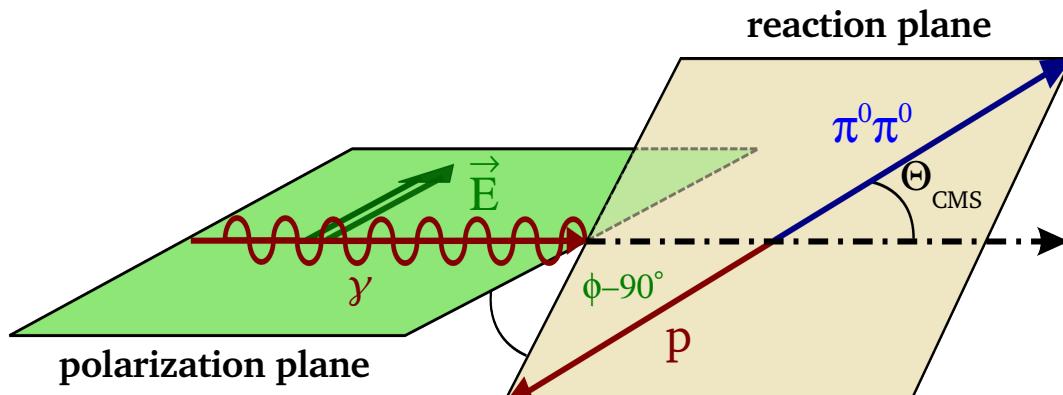


# Clear observation of cascade decays

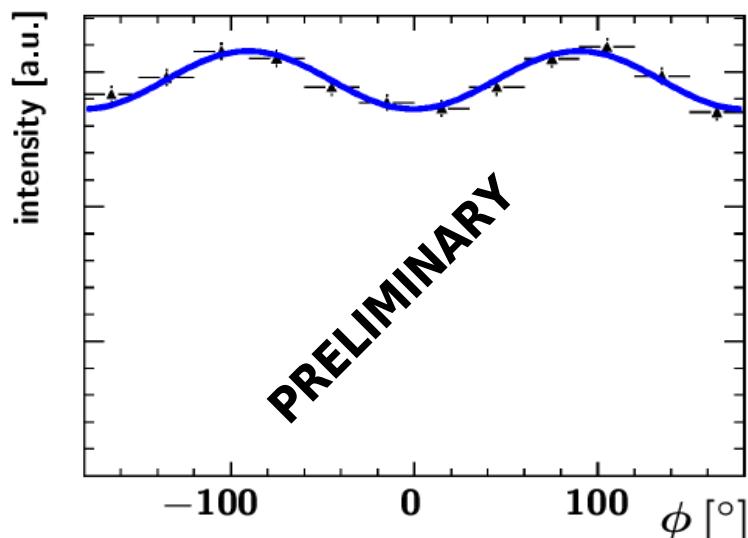
# Polarization observable $\Sigma$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_0 [1 + \delta_I \Sigma \cos(2\phi)]$$

Quasi two-body consideration:

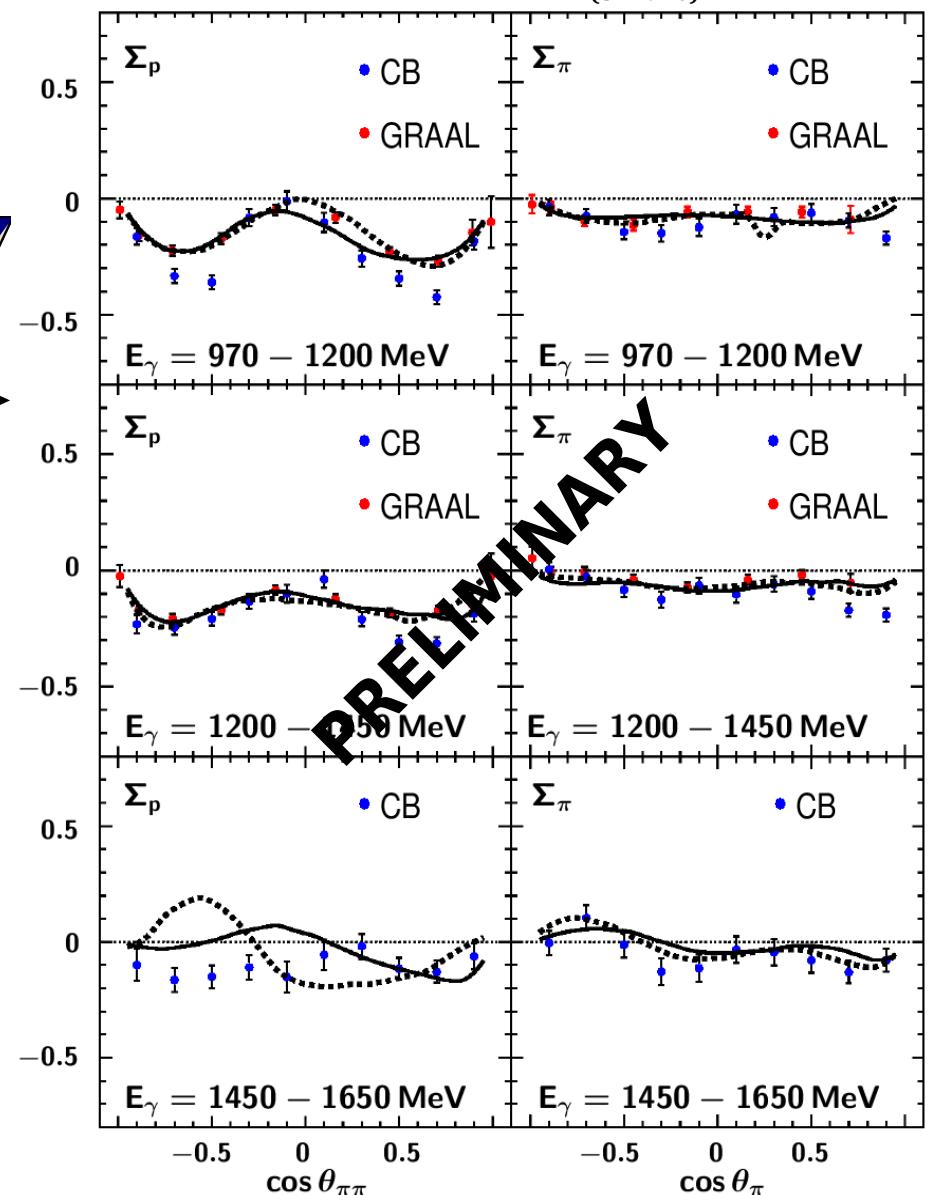


$$f(\phi) = A + B \cos 2\phi$$



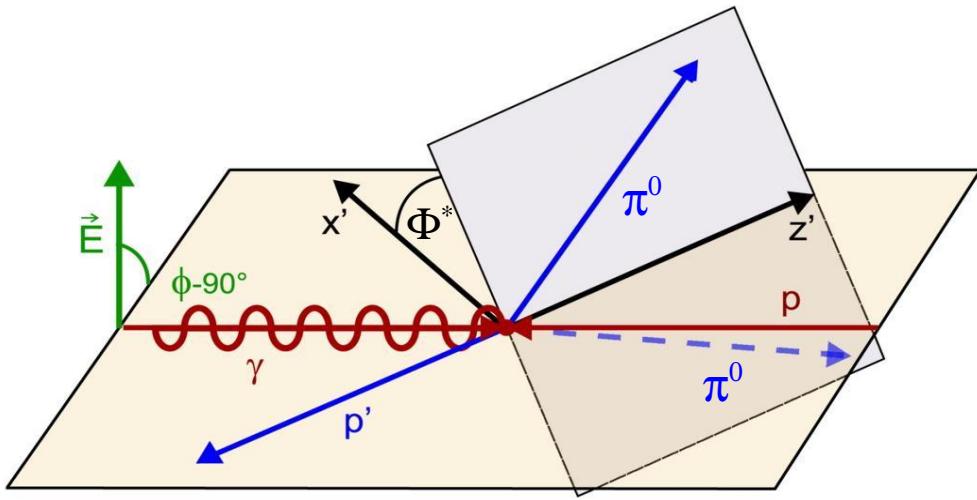
Solid:  $D_{33}(1700) \rightarrow \Delta\pi_{(D\text{-wave})}$  dominant

Dashed:  $D_{33}(1700) \rightarrow \Delta\pi_{(S\text{-wave})}$  dominant



# Polarization observables $I^s$ and $I^c$

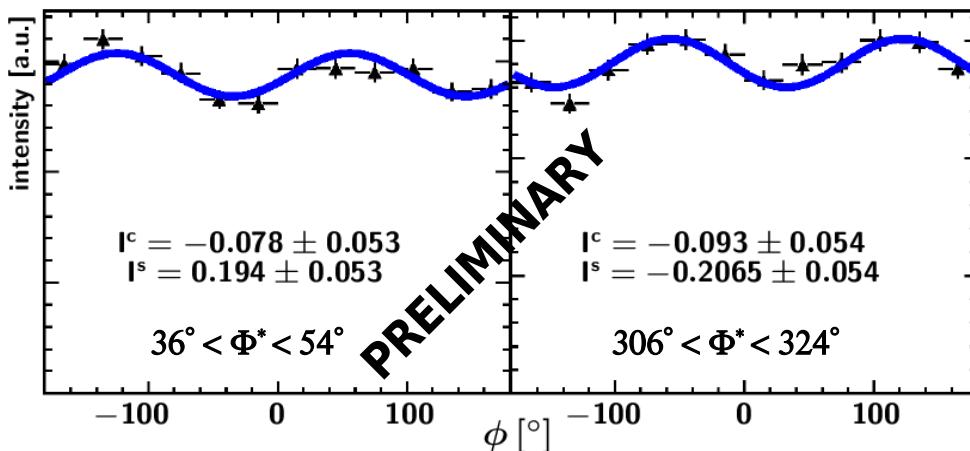
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_0 \{1 + \delta_I [I^s \sin(2\phi) + I^c \cos(2\phi)]\}$$



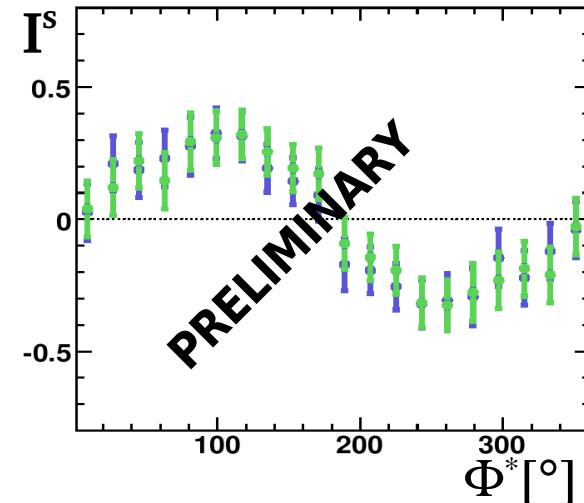
$$I^c(\Phi^*) = I^c(2\pi - \Phi^*)$$

$$I^s(\Phi^*) = -I^s(2\pi - \Phi^*)$$

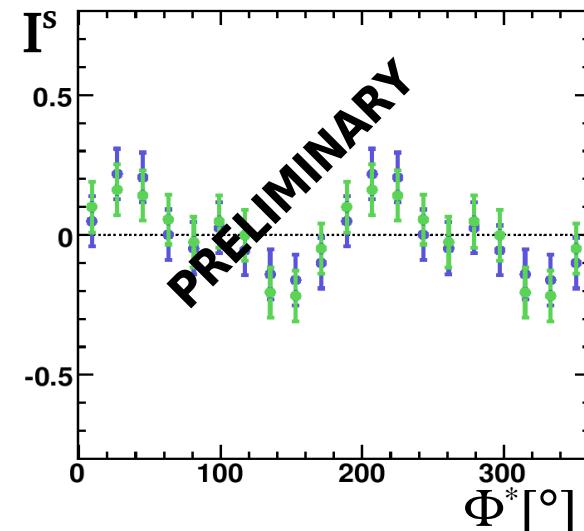
$$f(\phi) = A + B \sin 2\phi + C \cos 2\phi$$



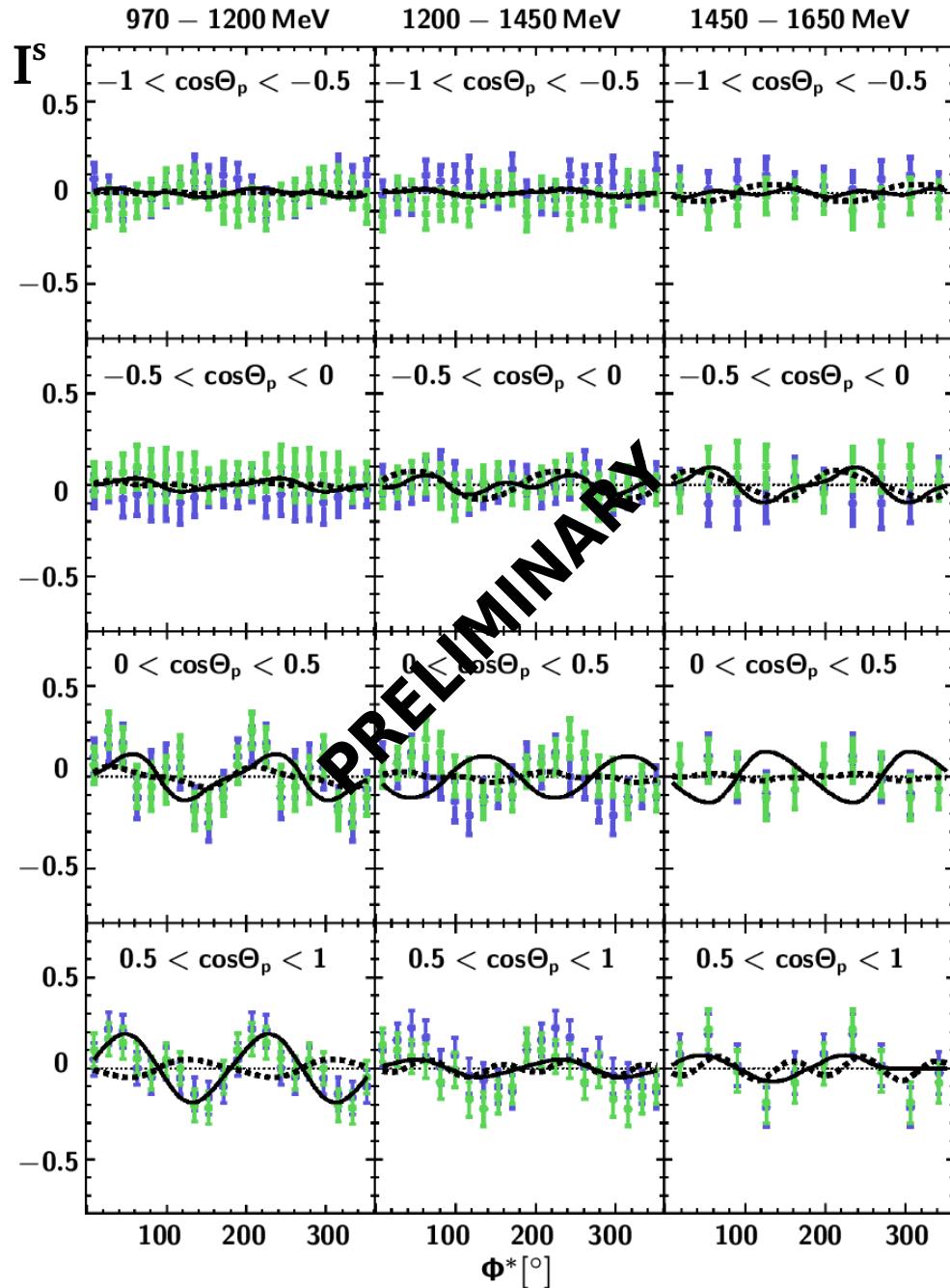
$\pi^0$  in the production plane



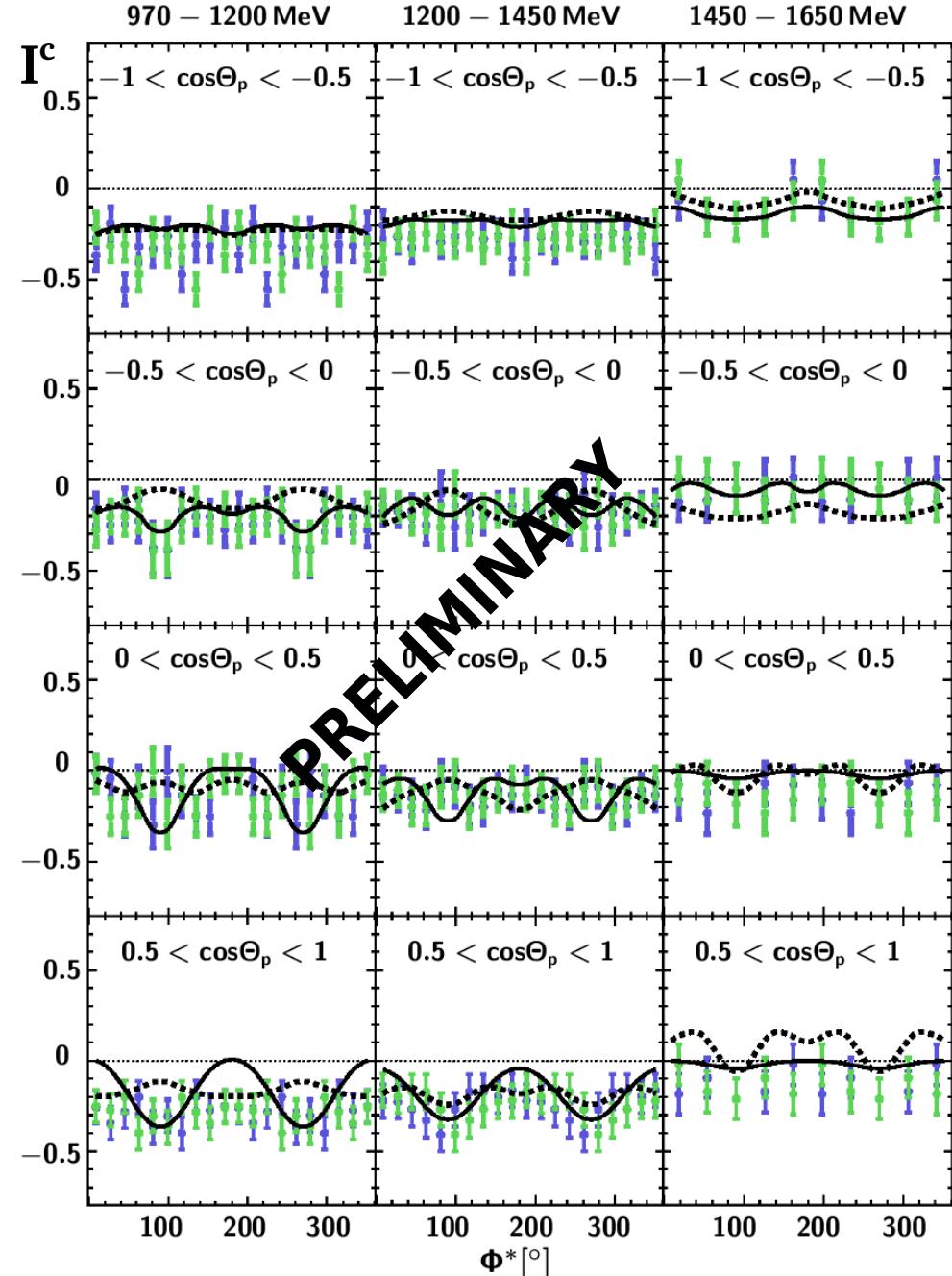
$I^{s(c)}(\Phi^*) = I^{s(c)}(\Phi^* + \pi)$   
 proton in the production plane



$$I^s(\Phi^*) = -I^s(2\pi - \Phi^*)$$

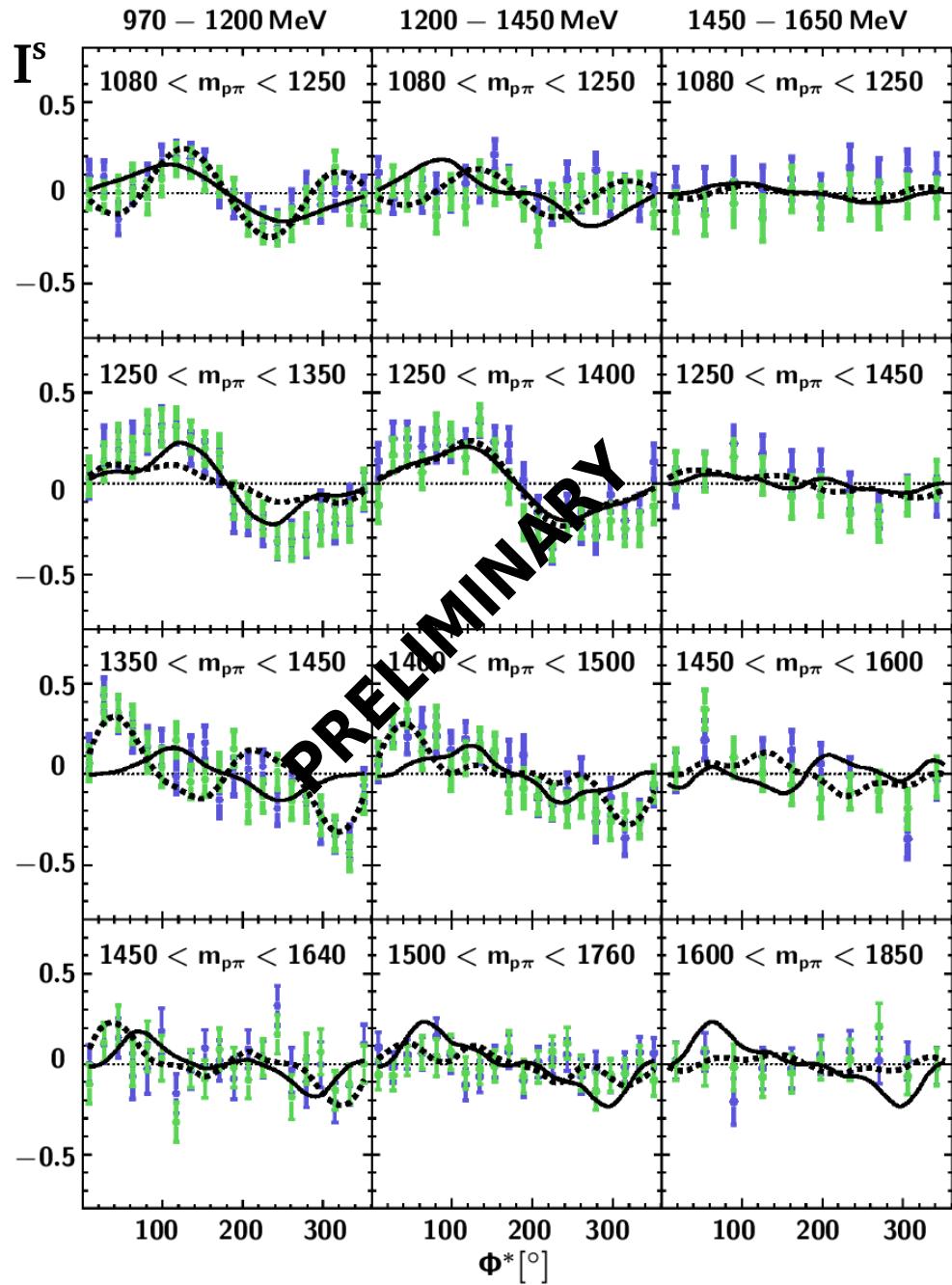


$$I^c(\Phi^*) = I^c(2\pi - \Phi^*)$$

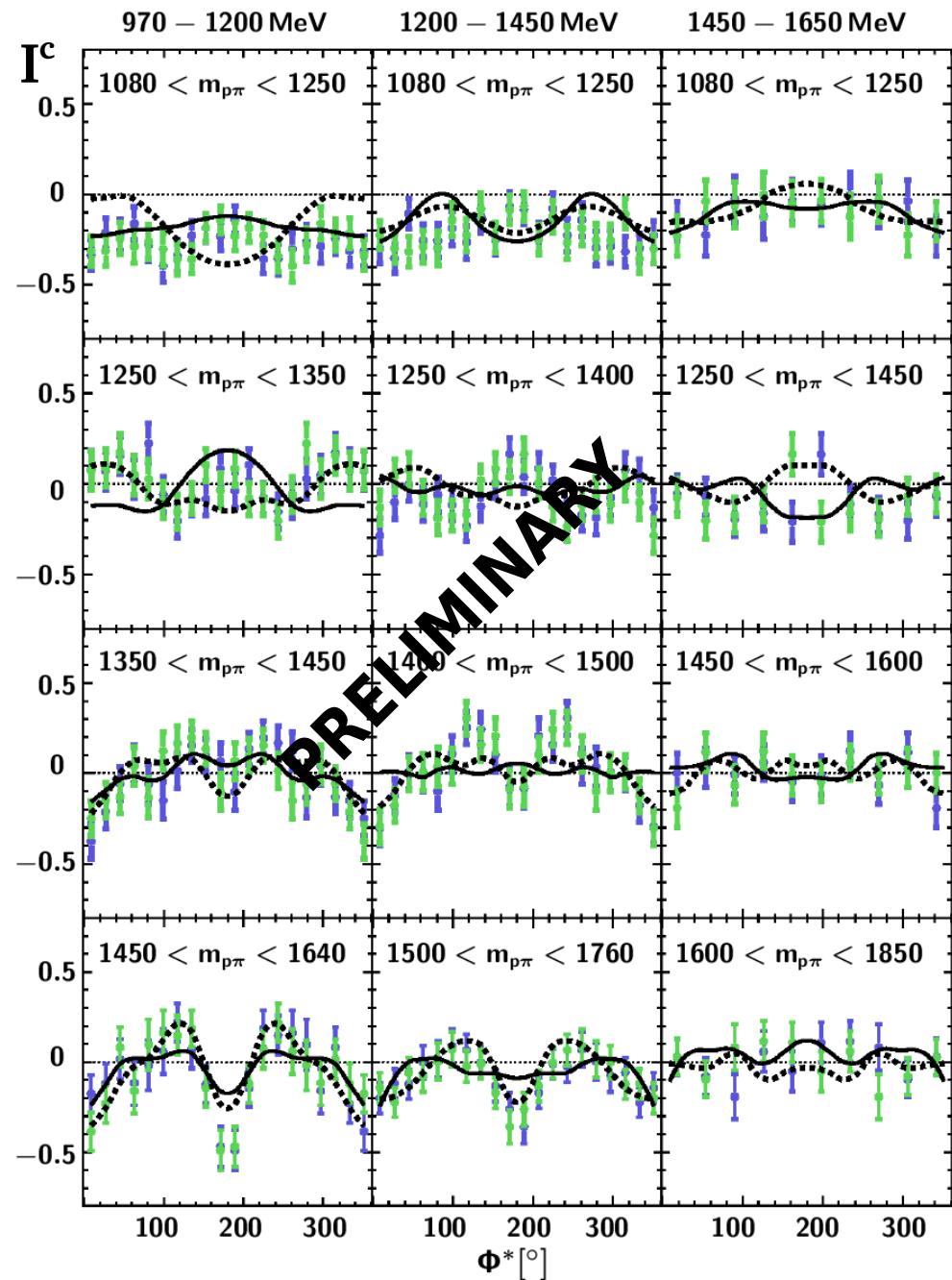


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$$I^s(\Phi^*) = -I^s(2\pi - \Phi^*)$$



$$I^c(\Phi^*) = I^c(2\pi - \Phi^*)$$



Solid: D<sub>33</sub>(1700) → Δπ<sub>(D-wave)</sub> dominant  
Dashed: D<sub>33</sub>(1700) → Δπ<sub>(S-wave)</sub> dominant

# Summary

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- Sequential decays observed:  $\gamma p \rightarrow N^*/\Delta^* \rightarrow \Delta\pi$ ,  $D_{13}(1520)\pi$ ,  $F_{15}(1680)\pi$
- Determination of the polarization observable  $\Sigma$
- First measurement of the observables  $I^S$  and  $I^C$  in  $\vec{\gamma} p \rightarrow p \pi^0\pi^0$
- New constraints for the PWA