



Cross sections for $ep \rightarrow ep f_0/f_2$

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- I. Data analysis and comparison with previous results
- II. f_0/f_2 differential cross sections vs. t
- III. Partial Waves Analysis on the data

f_0 (980+/-10) MeV

$JPC=0^{++}$

Γ = From 40 to 100 MeV

$\pi\pi$	Dominant
KK	Observed
$\gamma\gamma$	Observed

f_2 (1270+/-1.2) MeV

$JPC=2^{++}$

Γ = 185.1 MeV

$\pi\pi$	84.8 %
$\pi^+ \pi^- 2\pi^0$	7.1 %
KK	4.6 %

Particle Data Group (2010)

Cross sections for f_0 et f_2 electroproduction have never been measured so far

Spectroscopy

Q^2 , t dependence of differential cross section may shed light on mesons' nature

- f_0 : Standard meson ? 4-quarks state ? $K\bar{K}$ molecule?
- f_2 : Resonance produced in vector meson-vector meson interactions?



Access to GPDs

f_0 and some helicity states of f_2 might be sensitive to the GPDs H and E.

The $ep \rightarrow ep\pi^+\pi^-$ channel

The channel is described by 7 kinematic variables :

Q^2 Virtual photon (γ^*) squared mass

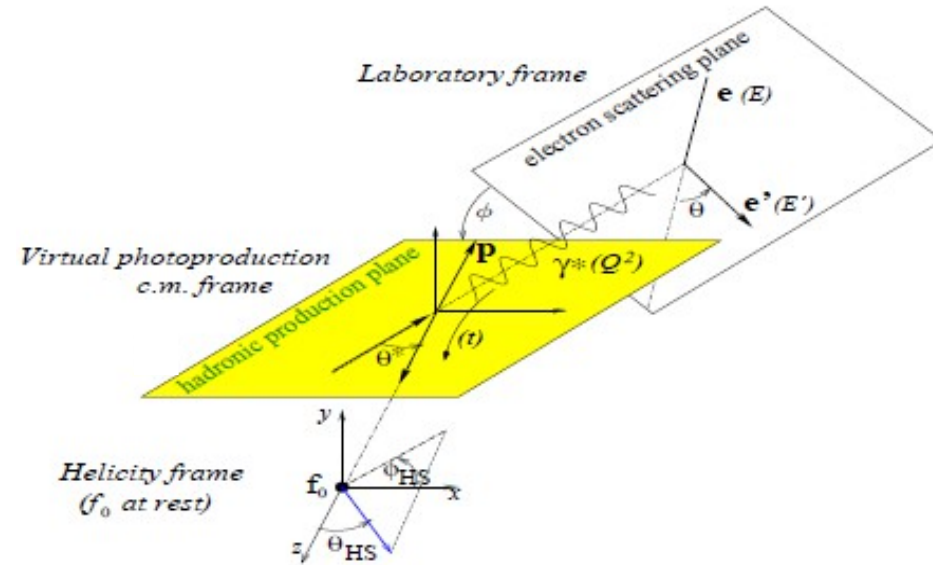
\mathbf{x}_B

t Momentum transfer to the nucleon

Φ Azimuthal angle between leptonic (γ^*, e') and hadronic plane (γ^*, p')

$\text{Cos}(\theta_{\text{HS}})$, Φ_{HS} Decay angles of $\pi^+\pi^-$

$M_{\pi\pi}$ Invariant mass of $\pi^+\pi^-$



N-fold differential Born reduced cross section ($N < 7$)

$$\frac{d^N \sigma_{\gamma^* p \pi \pi}}{dV} = \frac{n_w}{L_{\text{integrated}} * \Delta V * HF(V)}$$

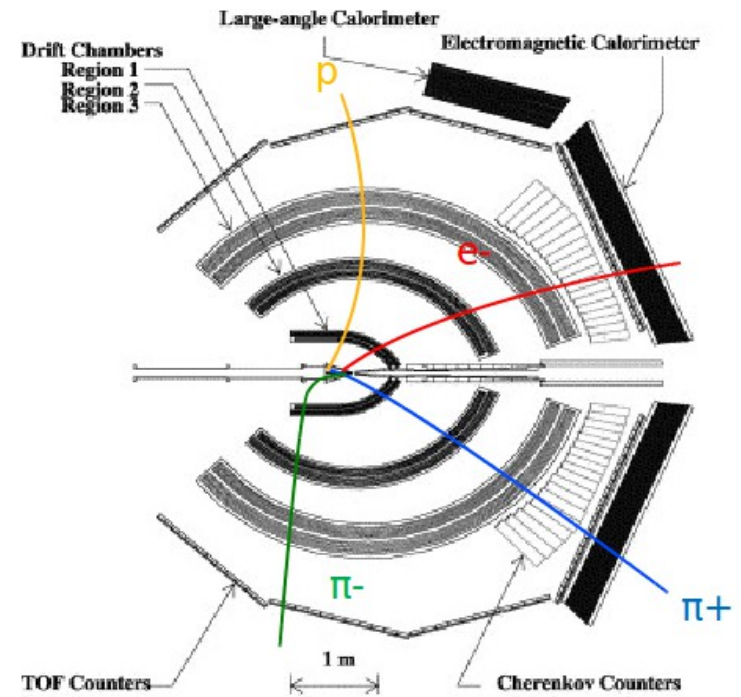
- $L_{\text{integrated}}$ Integrated Luminosity
- N dimensional ΔV Bin volume.
- $HF(V)$ Hole Factor : Correction factor to 7D acceptance calculation.

With

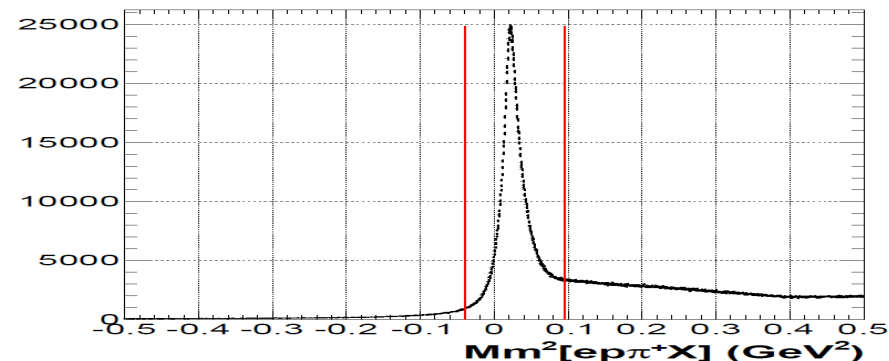
$$n_w = \frac{N_{\text{measured}}}{\Gamma_V * \text{Acc}_{\text{RAD}}(7\text{D})}$$

- Number of weighted events in **7D bin**.
- Γ_V virtual photon flux (Hand convention)
- Acc_{RAD} Acceptance with radiative corrections.

- Electron selection
 - Sector dependent Z Vertex cuts
 - CC and EC fiducial cuts
 - E_{tot}/p and $E_{\text{Inner}} > 60$ MeV cuts
 - Track matching with CC data
- Proton/ π^+ selection
 - DC Fiducial cuts
 - 2.5σ cut on $\Delta\beta$
- $e p \pi^+ \pi^-$
 - $-0.05 < M_{\text{mm}^2}[e p \pi^+ X] < 0.08$ GeV²
 - Additional CC cuts
 - Δv^Z_{e-p} and $\Delta v^Z_{e-\pi^+}$ 3σ cuts



CLAS detector
Data analysis of CLAS e1-6
 e^- beam scattering off LH_2 @ 5.7 GeV
Integrated luminosity $\sim 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

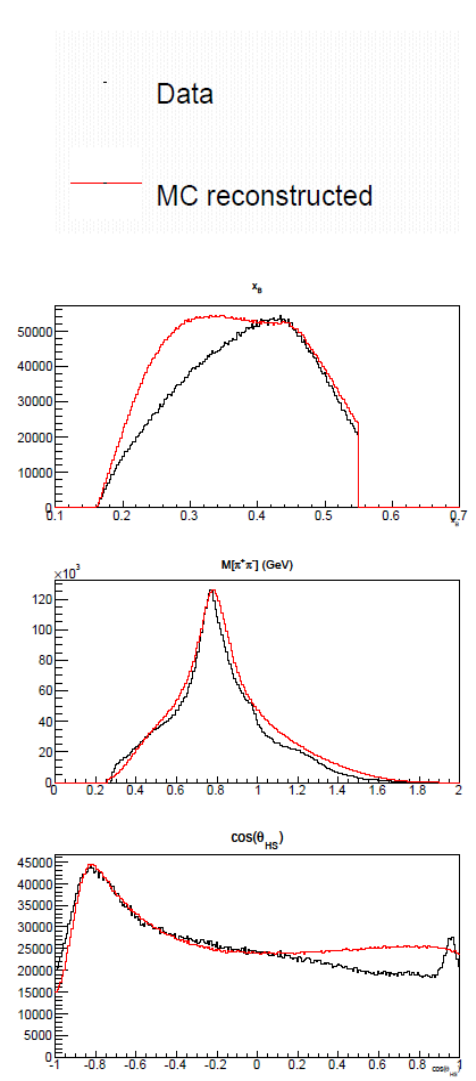


Acceptance and radiative corrections

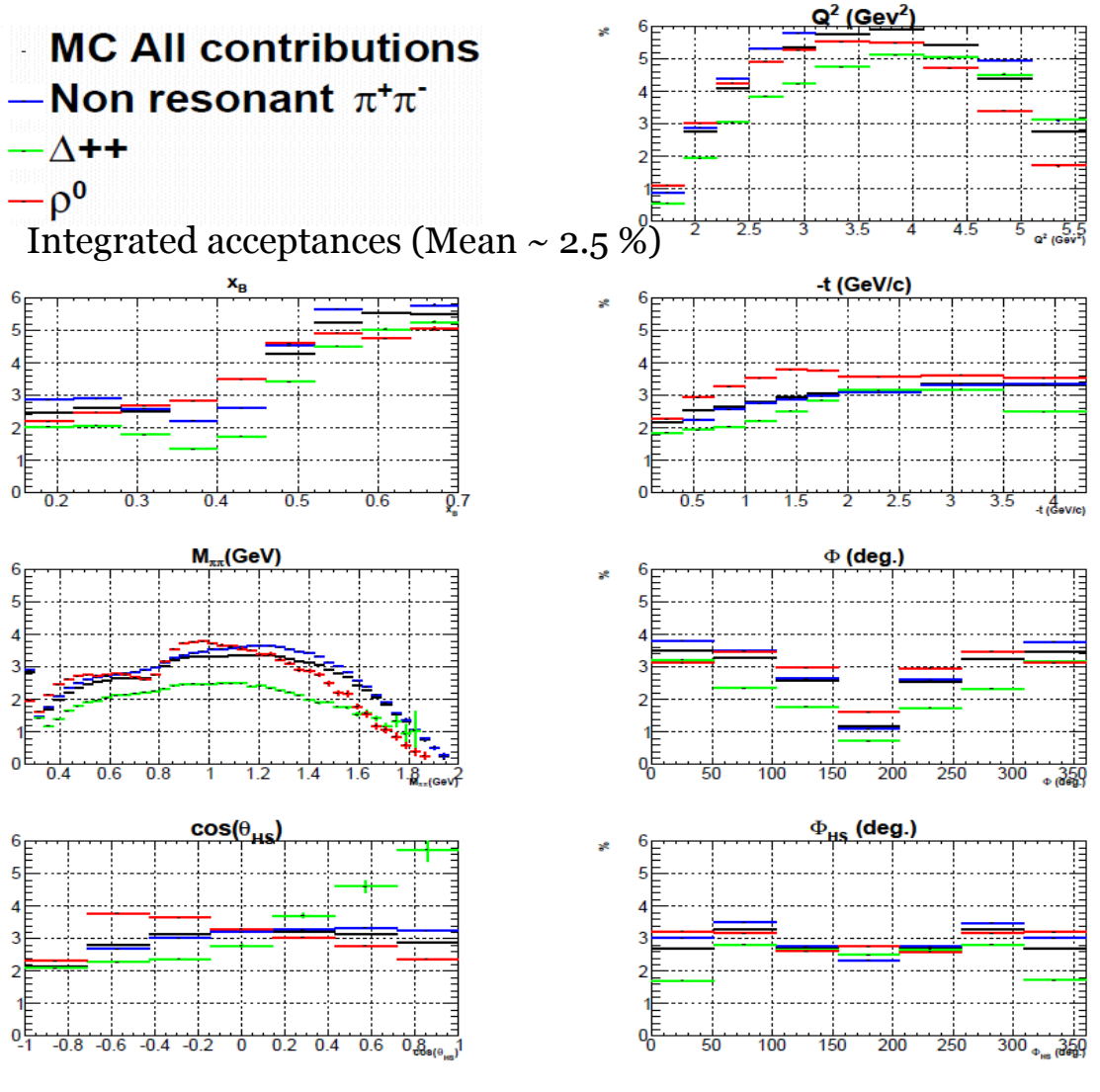
$$\sigma_{\gamma p \pi^+ \pi^-} = \frac{N_{\gamma p \pi^+ \pi^-} * F_{RAD}}{L_{intg} * \Delta^7 \Gamma * \text{Acceptance} * \text{Eff}_{cuts}} \rightarrow \frac{F_{RAD}}{Acc} = \frac{N_{GEN}^{No Rad}}{N_{REC}^{RAD-soft}}$$

The radiative correction (Mo-Tsai) is embedded in the Monte Carlo simulation.

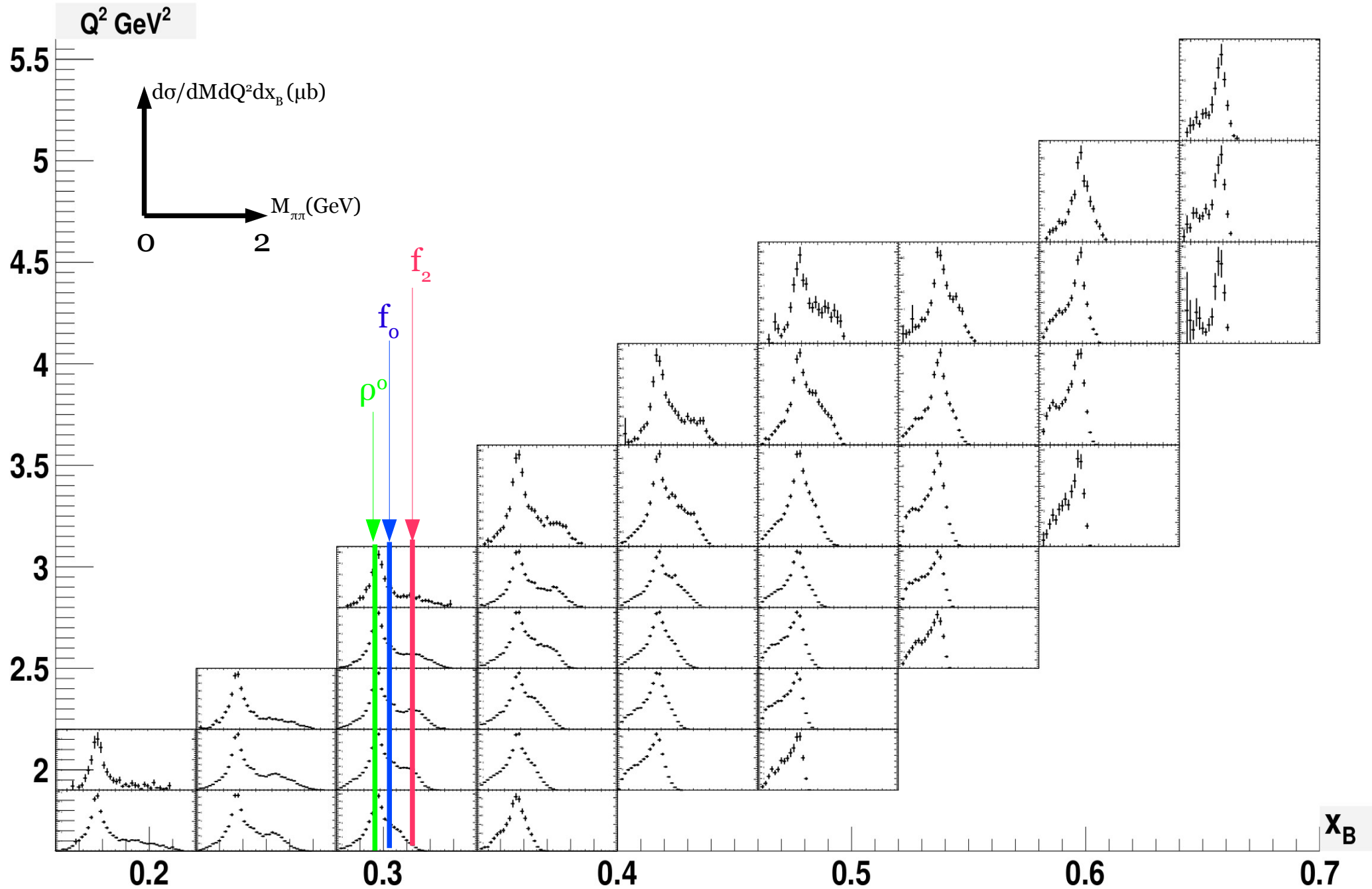
Cross section



MC All contributions
 — Non resonant $\pi^+\pi^-$
 — Δ^{++}
 — ρ^0
 Integrated acceptances (Mean ~ 2.5 %)

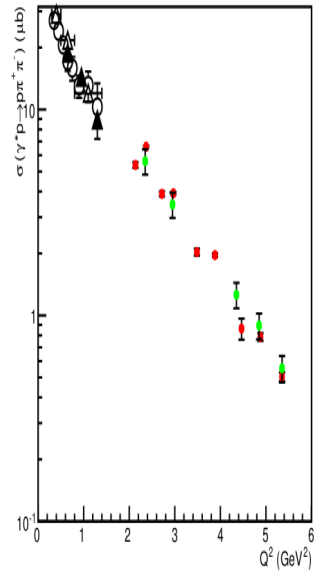


$\gamma^*p \rightarrow p\pi^+\pi^-$ spectra

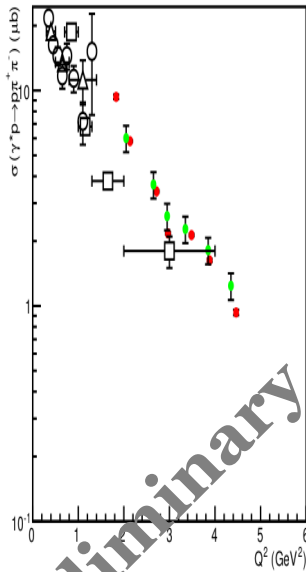


$\gamma^*p \rightarrow p\pi^+\pi^-$ cross sections

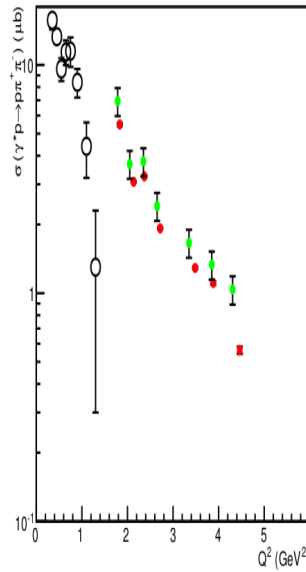
1.80 < W (GeV) < 2.00



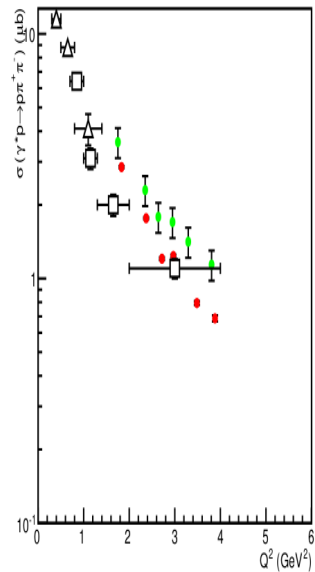
2.00 < W (GeV) < 2.20



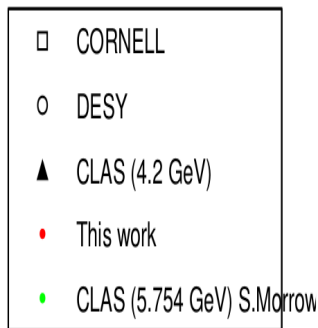
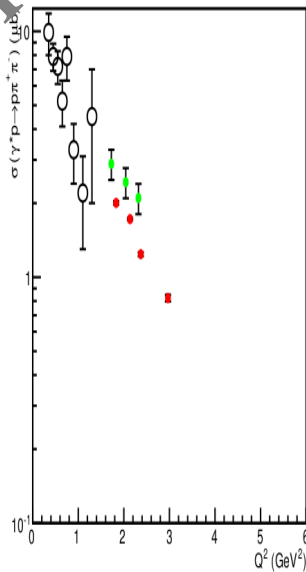
2.20 < W (GeV) < 2.40



2.40 < W (GeV) < 2.60



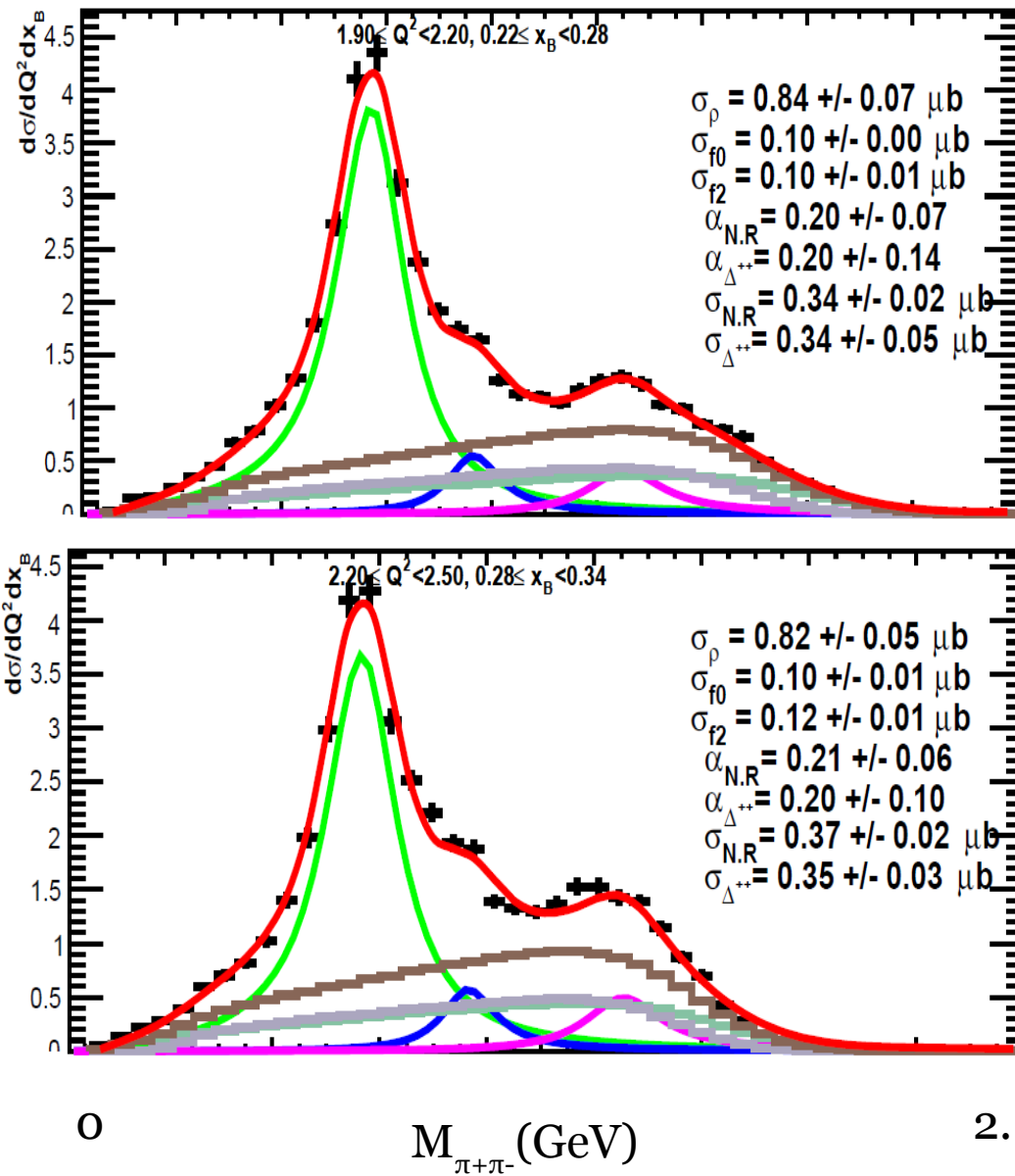
2.60 < W (GeV) < 2.80



$\gamma^*p \rightarrow p\pi^+\pi^-$ cross sections = Integral of $\pi^+\pi^-$ spectrum in (Q^2, x_B) bins.

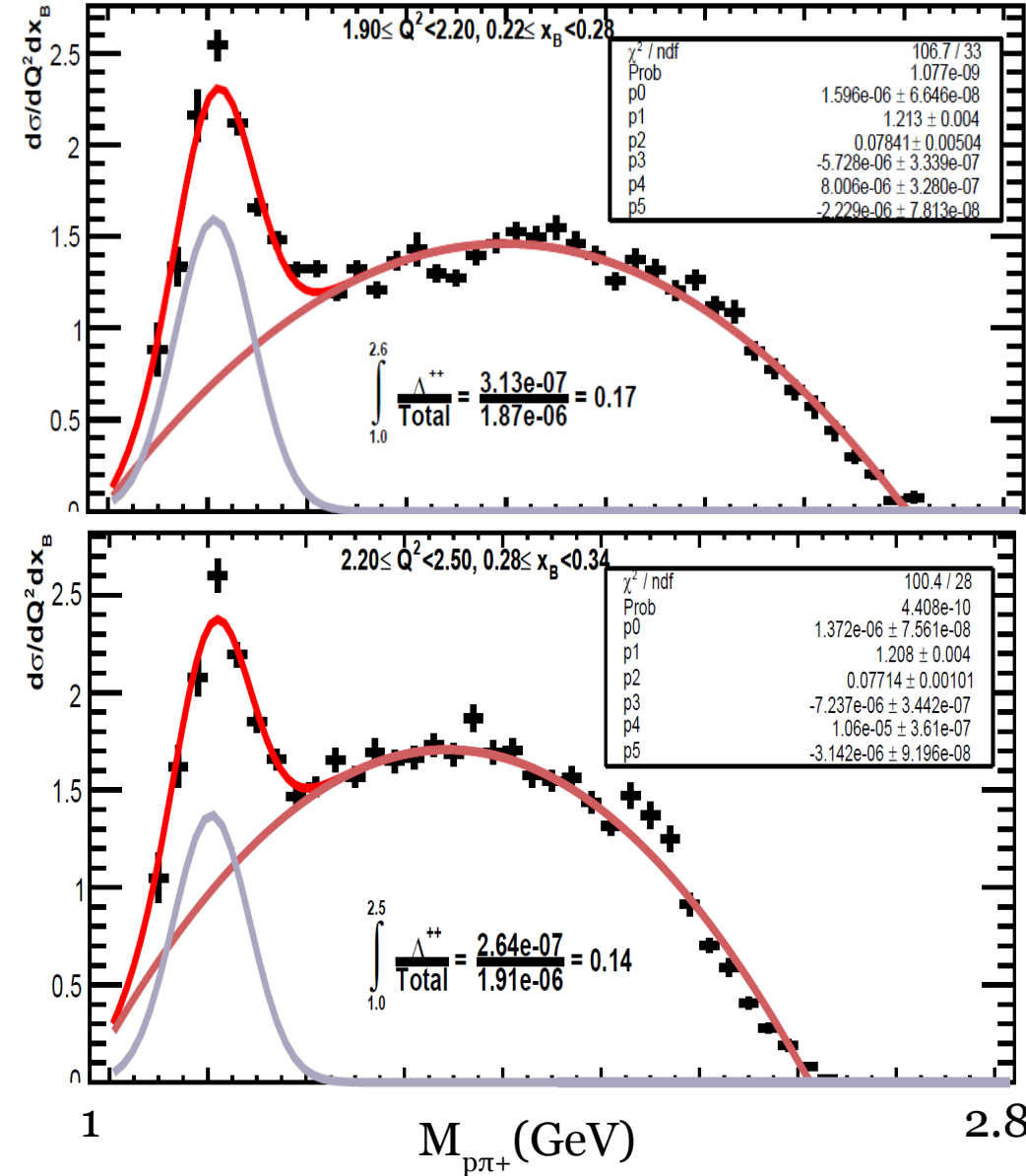
- W computed using (Q^2, x_B) bin centering from [1].
- For most W bins, agreement with previous results.
- Maximal discrepancy for high W (low x_B) ~50 %

[1] *Eur.Phys. Journal A Volume 39, pp 5-31* (S.Morrow et al. (2009))



- Fit with several contributions :
 - Skewed BW for ρ, f_0, f_2 (4 parameters each)
 - Scale parameters for Background MC non radiative **non resonant** $\pi\pi$ and Δ^{++} channels (Generated with Genev)

Background histograms normalized to data integrated cross section in the corresponding $\pi\pi$ spectrum.



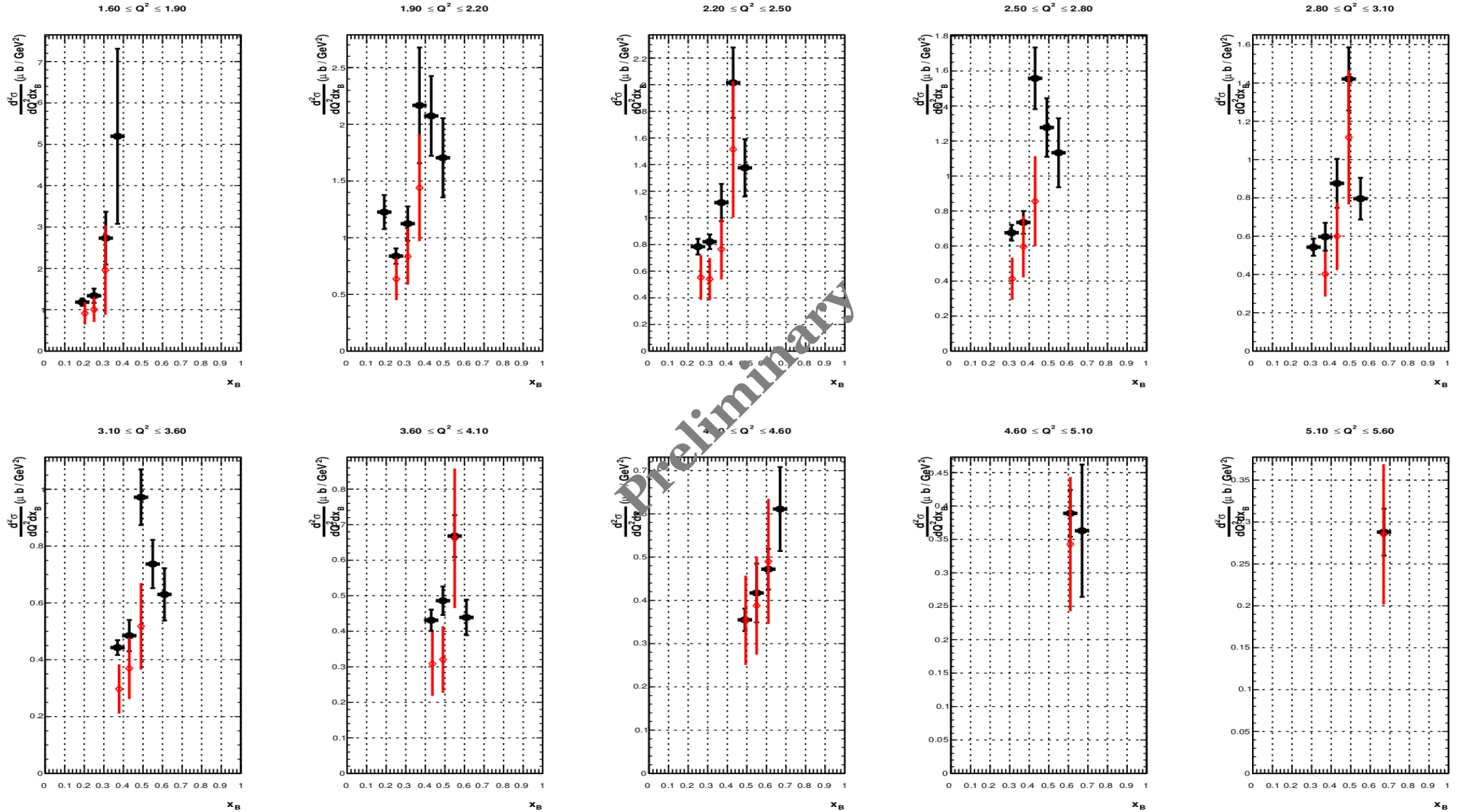
- $p\pi^+$ cross section spectrum calculated from a $p\pi^+$ acceptance table .
- $p\pi^+$ fit : gaussian (Δ^{++} signal)+2nd order polynomials (background)
- Contribution of Δ^{++} to the $p\pi^+$ cross section : less than 20 % for $Q^2 < 4 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Constraint on $\Delta^{++}(M_{\pi^+\pi^-})$ background :
 $\alpha_{\Delta^{++}} < 0.2$

Side note : In a given (Q^2, x_B) bin,

$$\frac{d\sigma(M_{p\pi^+})}{dx_B Q^2} = \frac{d\sigma(M_{\pi^+\pi^-})}{dx_B Q^2} \pm 5-10\%$$

→ Systematic error on acceptance calculation.

$\gamma^*p \rightarrow p\rho^0$ cross sections



- ρ^0 CLAS paper (stat.²+syst.²)
- This work (stat. only)

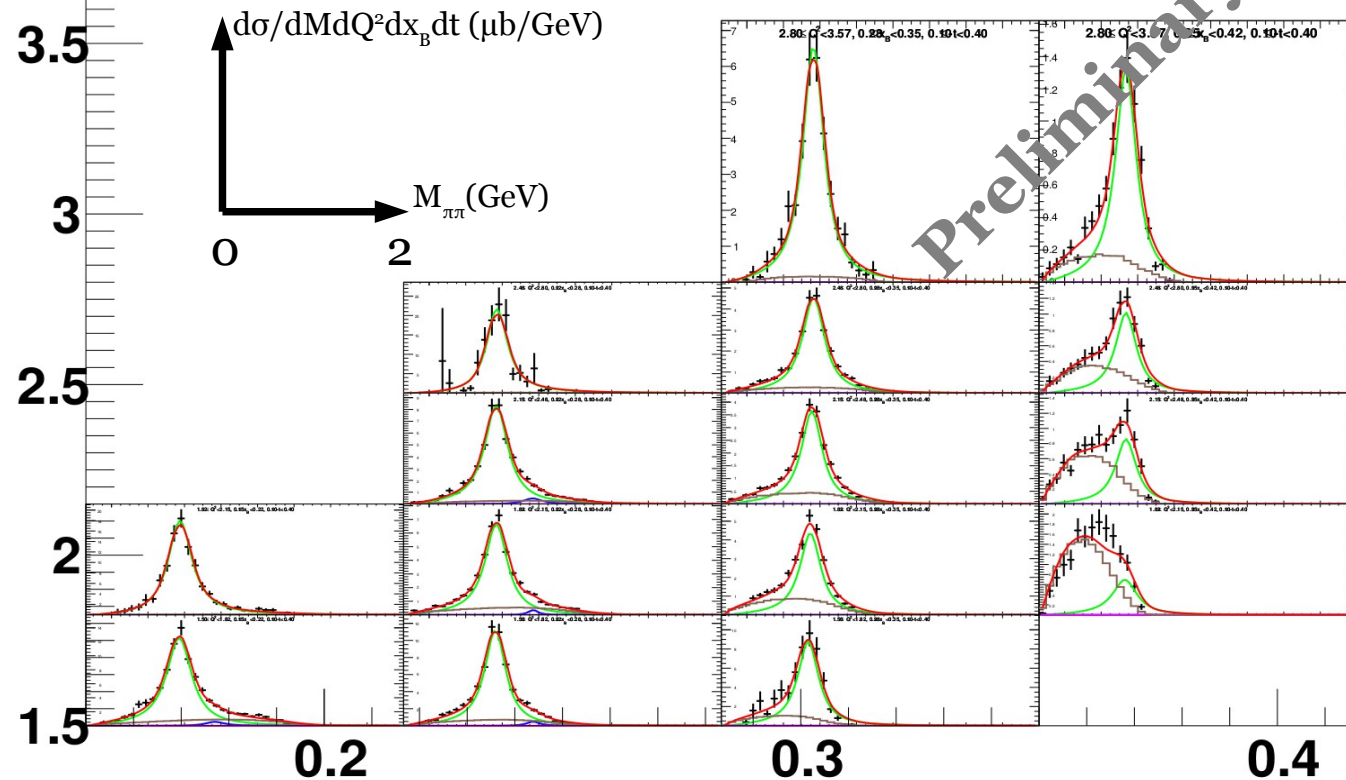
Most cross sections points are **within systematics** of the previous measurements.

$Q^2 \text{ GeV}^2$

$0.10 \leq -t < 0.40 \text{ GeV}^2/c$

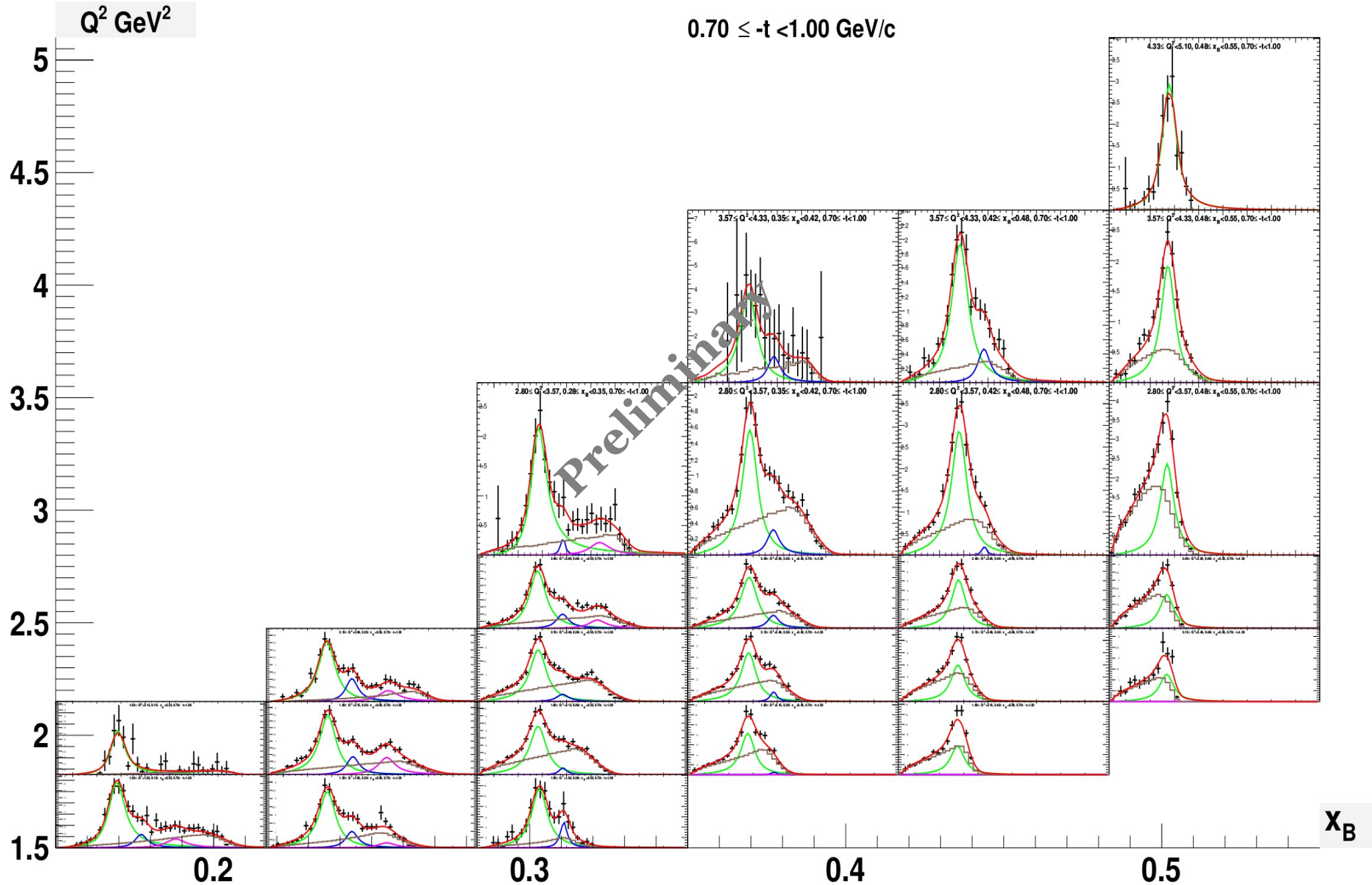
- $M_{\pi\pi}$ spectrum fitted with :
 - Skewed Breit Wigner for ρ^0, f_0 and f_2 (4 parameters each).
 - Scaling factor for MC Phase Space

- ρ^0 (770)
- f_0 (980)
- f_2 (1270)
- MC Background



Relative contribution of ρ^0 to the total cross section dominates at lower t .

(Q^2, x_B, t) fits

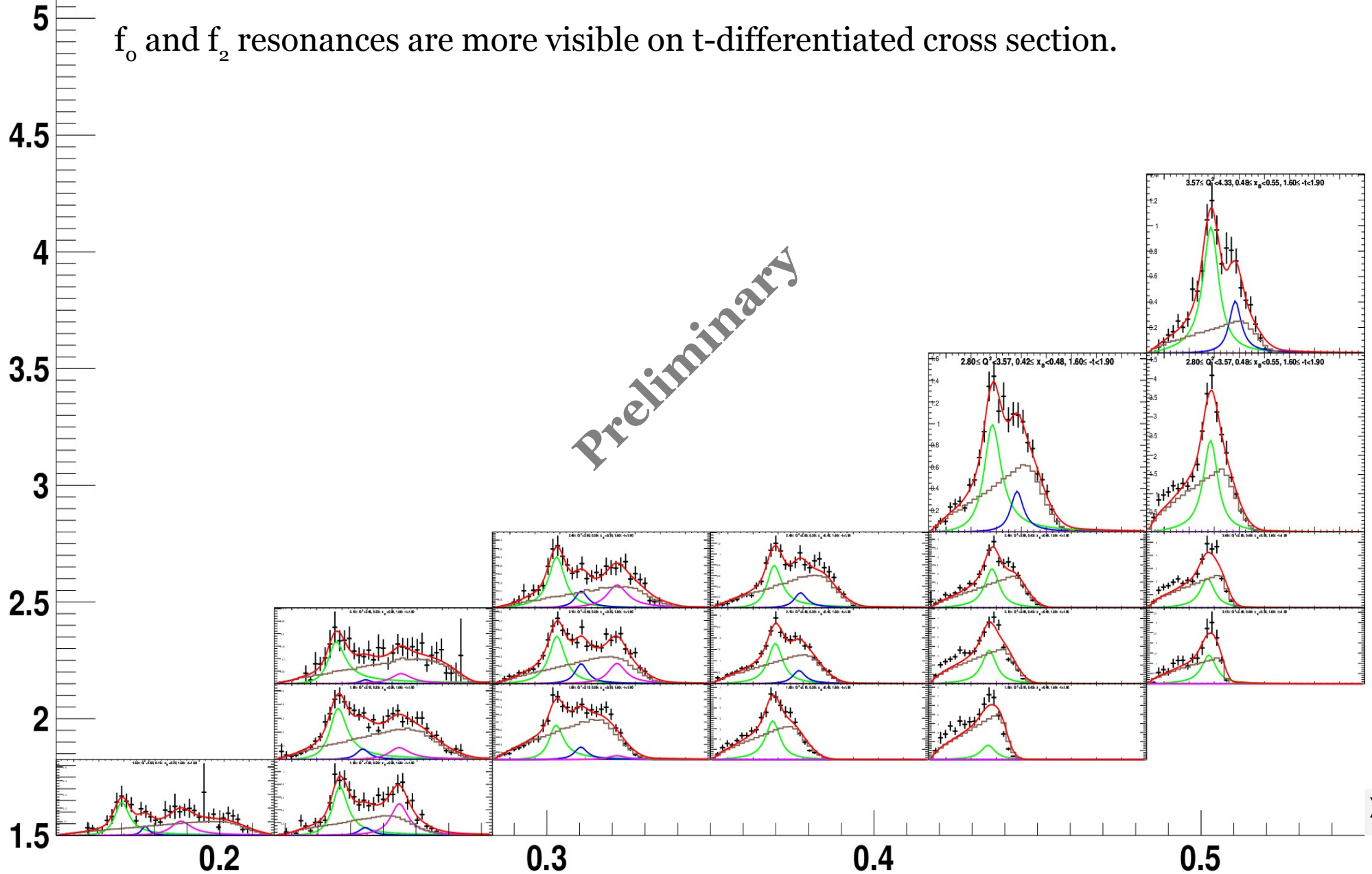


(Q^2, x_B, t) fits

$Q^2 \text{ GeV}^2$

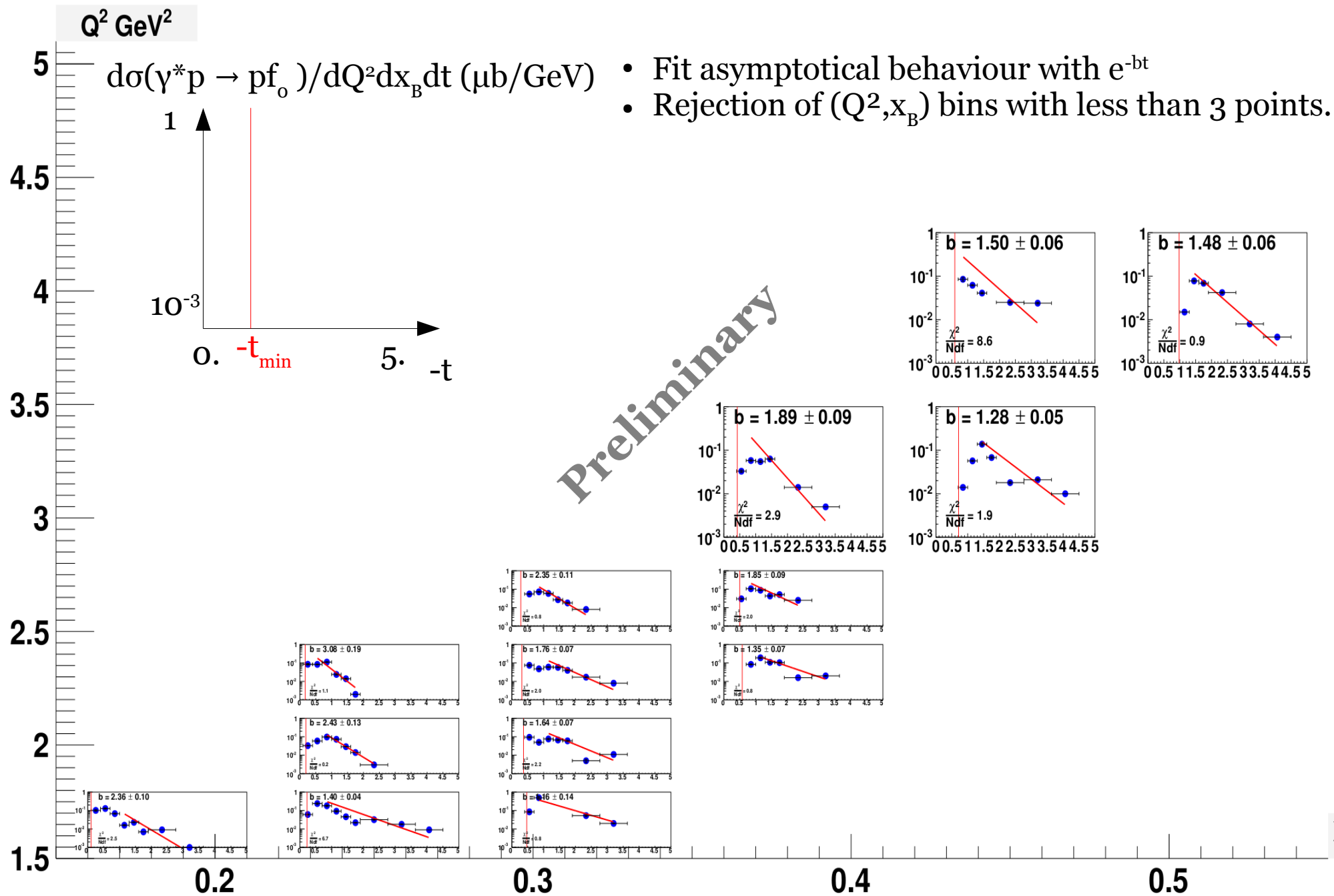
$1.60 \leq -t < 1.90 \text{ GeV}/c$

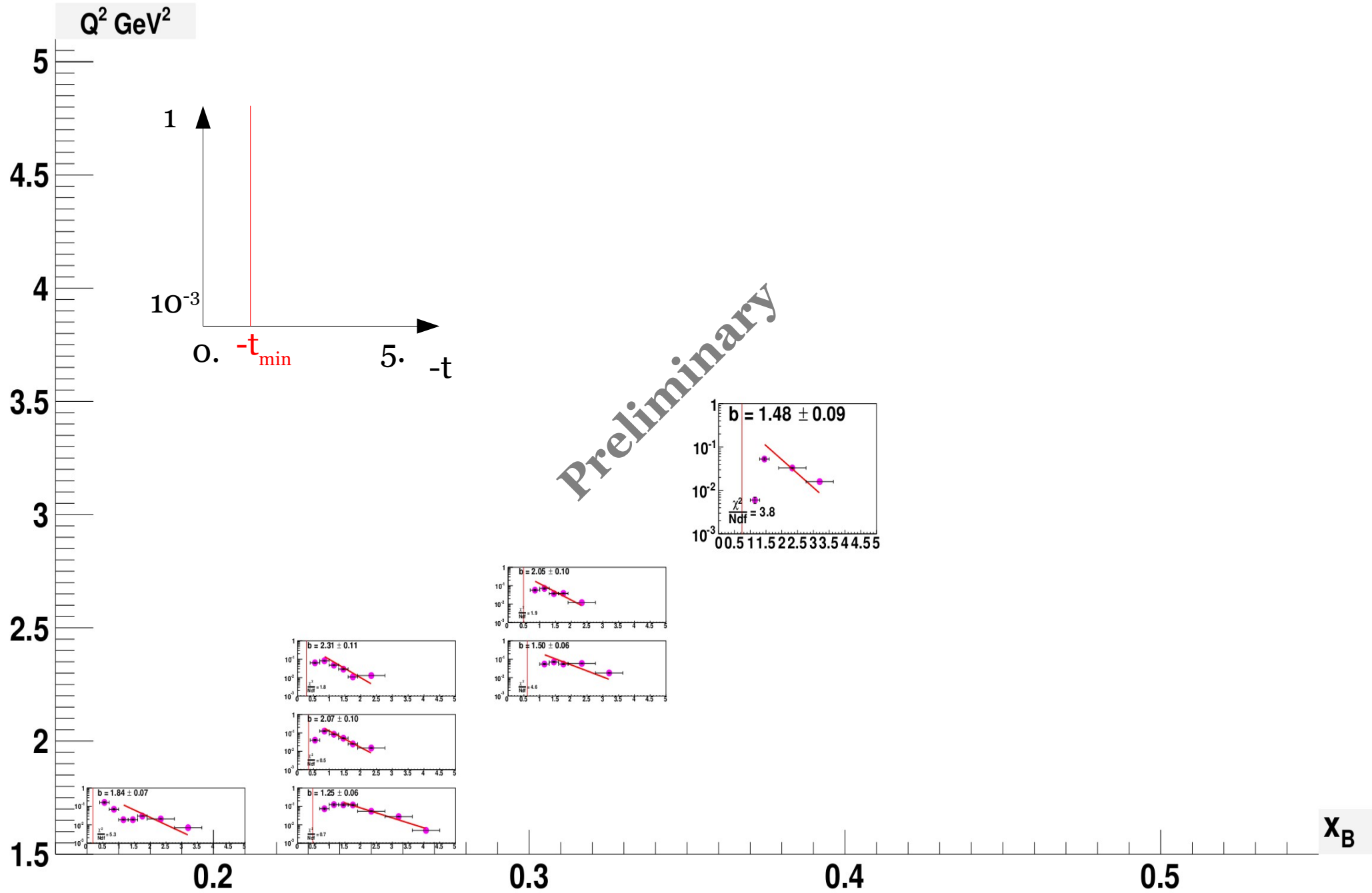
f_0 and f_2 resonances are more visible on t -differentiated cross section.



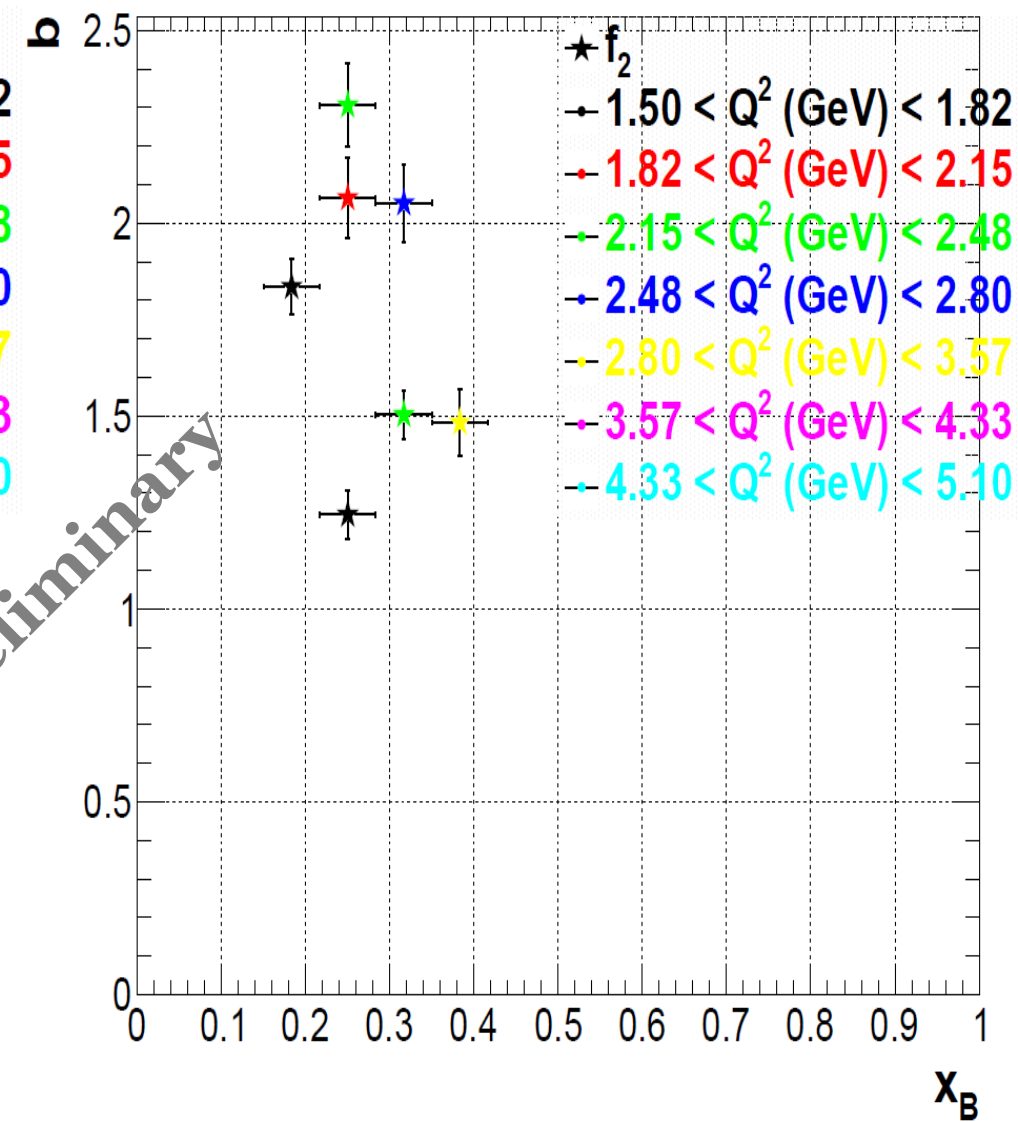
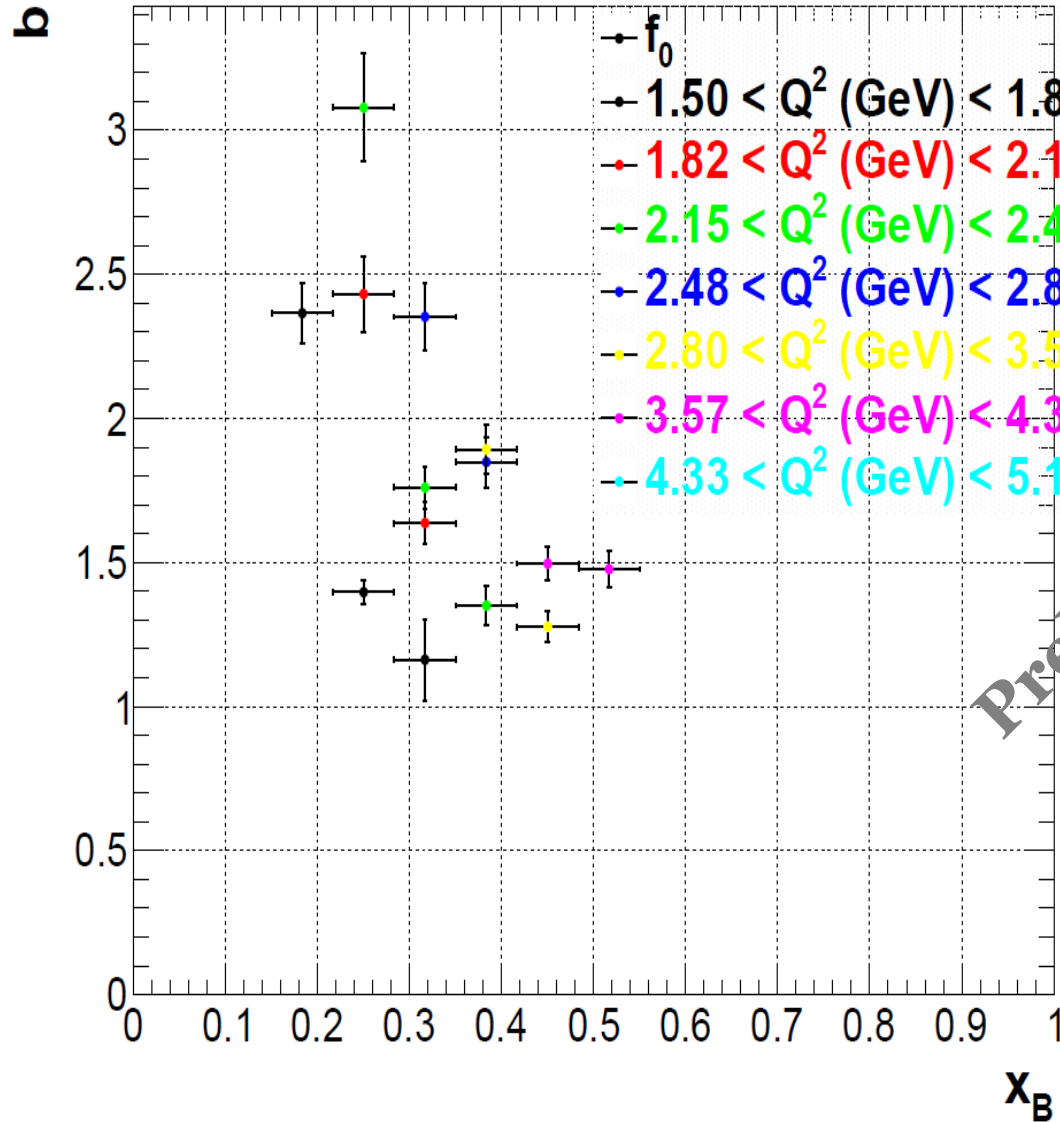
x_B

t-distributions in (Q^2, x_B) bins for f_0





b slope in (Q^2, x_B) bins



b decreases as x_B increases at fixed Q^2 for f_0 and f_2 .

Step 1 : Fit the amplitude

Production amplitude are fitted to the data by maximizing a likelihood L :

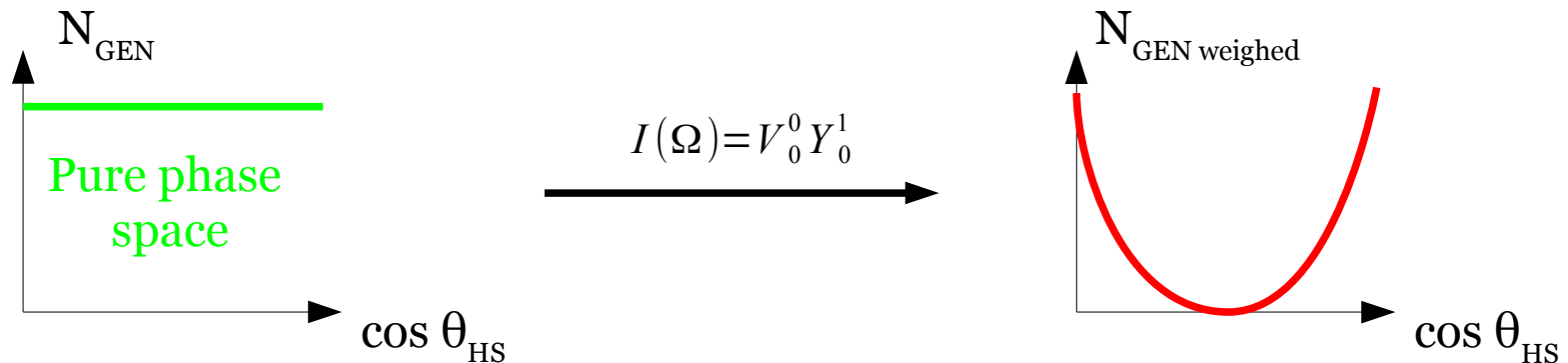
$$-\ln L = - \underbrace{\left(\sum_i^n \ln (I (\tau_i, \vec{x})) \right)}_{\text{Experimental data}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{N^{GEN}} \sum_{k=1}^{NREC} I (\tau_i)}_{\text{Acceptance term. Calculated with MC phase space}}$$

Step 2 : Extract the physical distribution predicted by the fitted amplitude

After the fit, the intensity is **fully determined** and its parameters V_i are such that :

$$\frac{1}{N^{GEN}} \sum_{k=1}^{NREC} I_{fitted} (\tau_i) = N_{acceptance\ corrected}$$

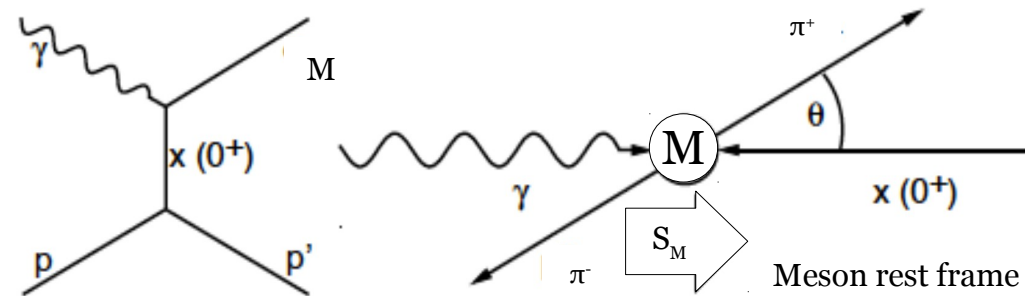
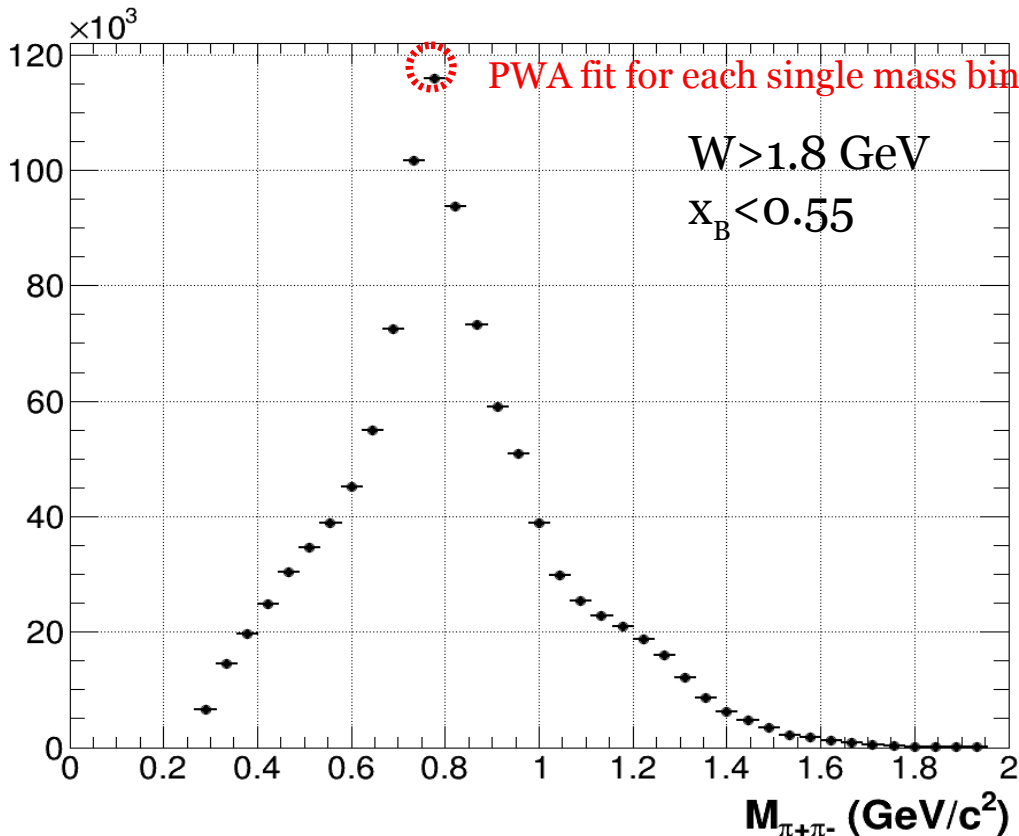
Each generated MC phase space event is weighed according to the fitted partial waves.



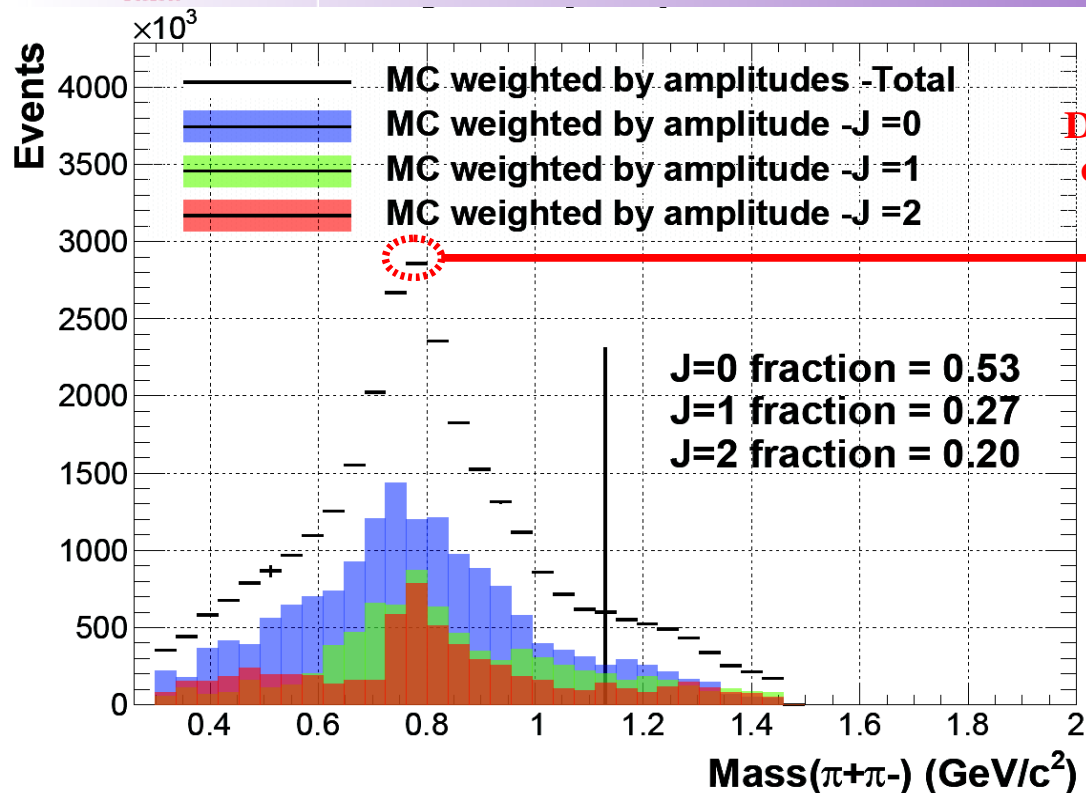
« S-Wave » **Intensity to fit :**

$$I(\Theta, \Phi) = \underbrace{|V_0^0 Y_0^0|^2}_{\text{« S-Wave »}} + \underbrace{|V_{-1}^1 Y_{-1}^1 + V_0^1 Y_0^1 + V_1^1 Y_1^1|^2}_{\text{« P-Wave »}} + \underbrace{|V_{-1}^2 Y_{-1}^2 + V_0^2 Y_0^2 + V_1^2 Y_1^2|^2}_{\text{« D-Wave »}}$$

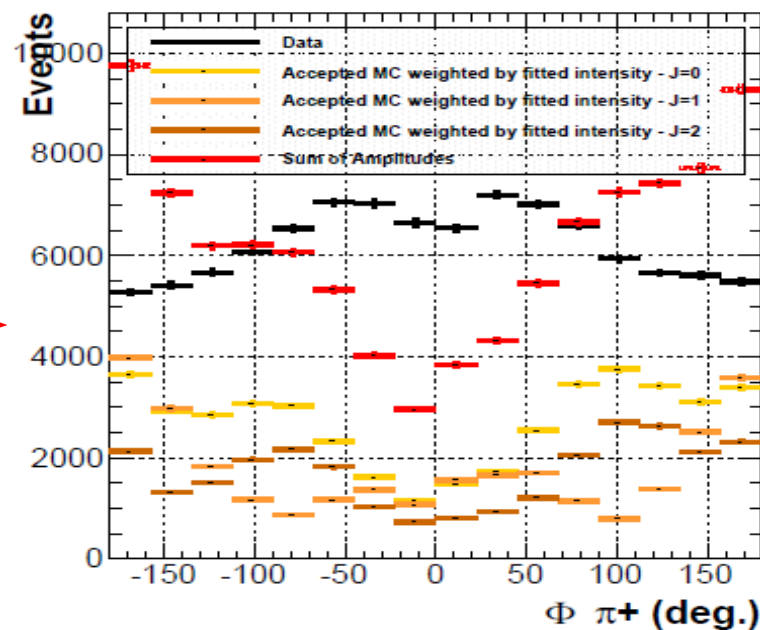
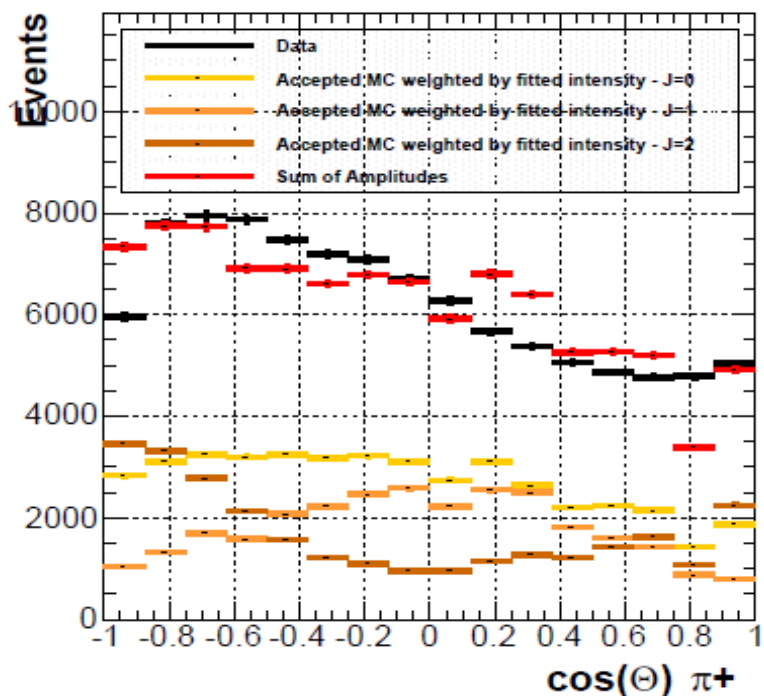
Y_M^J spherical harmonics. V_M^J production amplitude.
 Θ, Φ : Decay angles of the π^+ in **Gottfried Jackson** frame
 Incoherent sum on J of spherical harmonics :
 J=0,1,2 (truncated to $|M| \leq 1$)



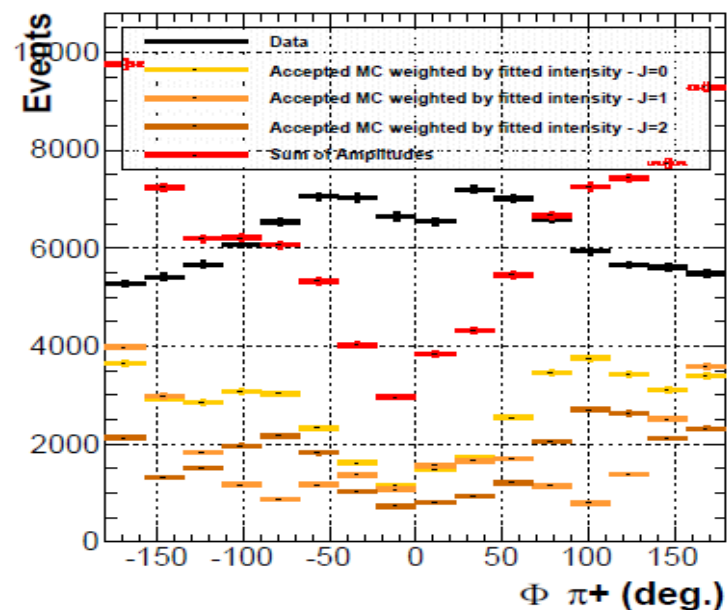
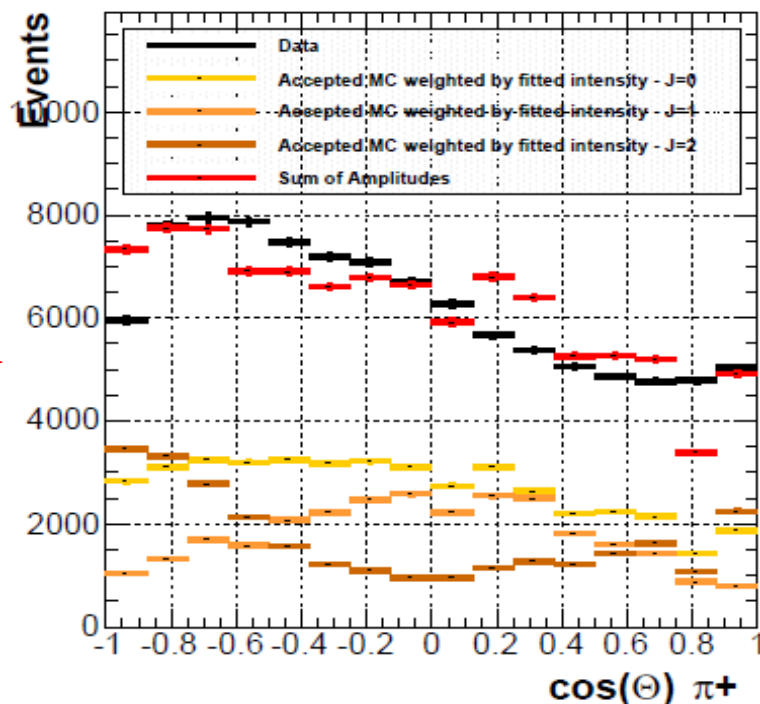
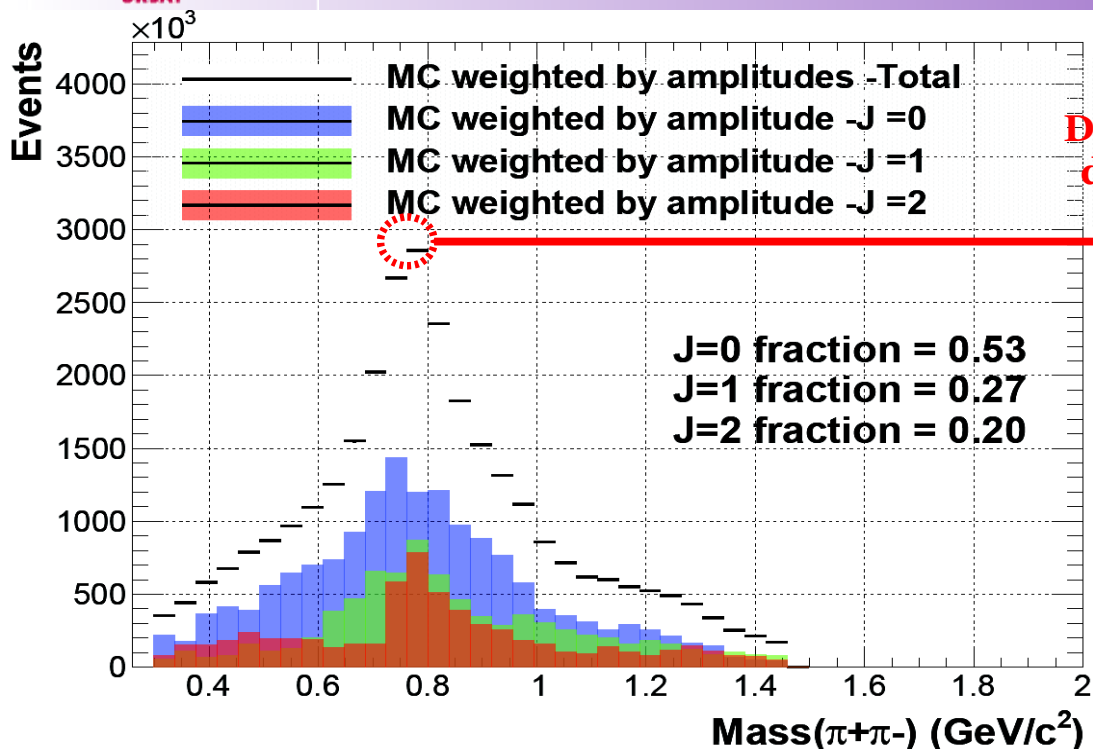
Fit for each single mass bin on integrated dataset at the moment.
 (statistical limitation on MC)



Decay angular distributions



- For each mass bin, 5 fit tries with random parameters+1 fit wit all parameters to 0 then keep the fit with best likelihood.
- Same contribution for P and D-Wave in rho region.
→ Truncation to $|m| < 2$?
- Phi angular distribution from data not well reproduced by accepted MC weighed by fitted partial waves.
→ Pure spherical harmonics partial waves inappropriate ?
Looking into the wrong frame ?



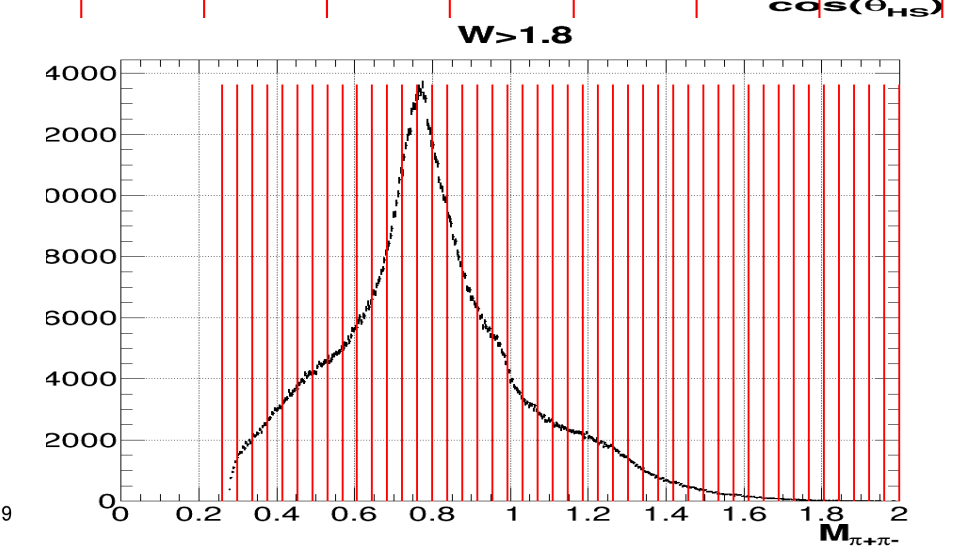
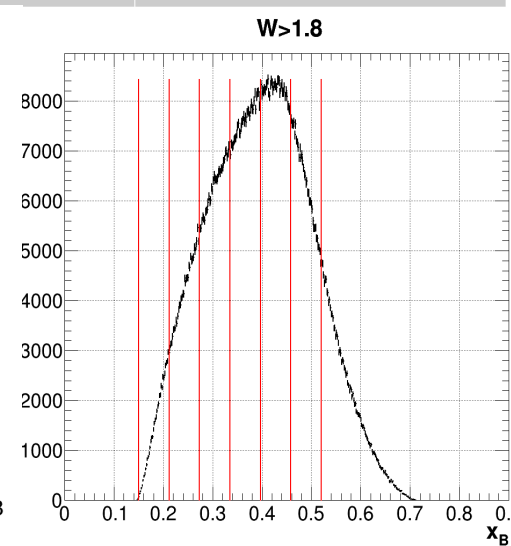
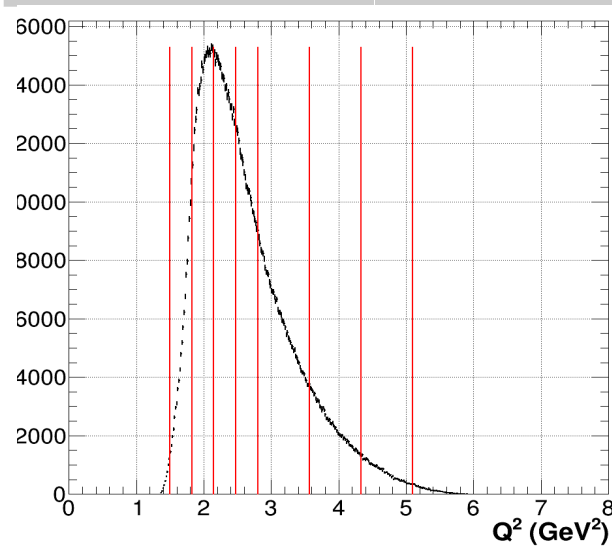
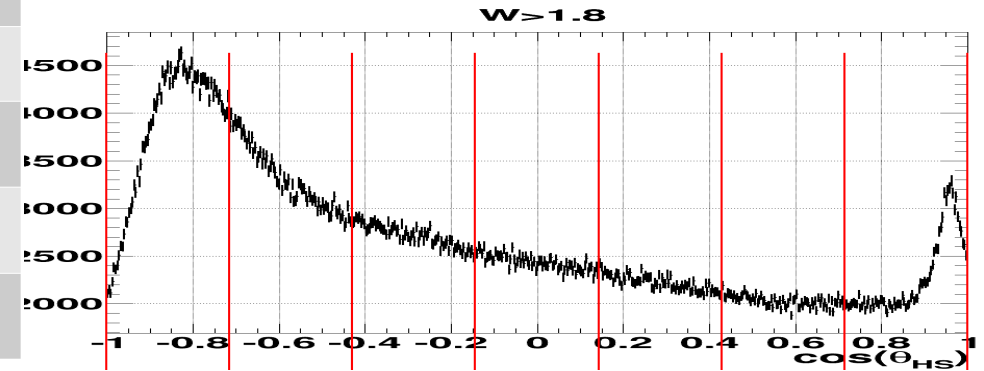
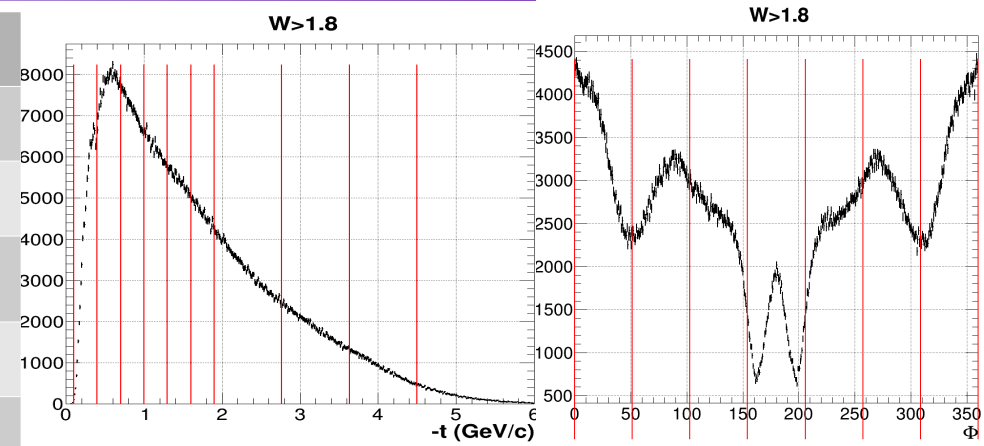
- For each mass bin, 4 fits with predefined parameters values :
 - All parameters to 0
 - Parameters from one wave set to 1000, 0 otherwise.
- Best likelihood with this procedure = Best likelihood with random fitting
- Same wave contribution as in random fitting procedure
- **BUT fitted parameters for each Y_M^L are different in the two methods !**
- **No significant resonances with this partial wave decomposition.**

- First time extraction of cross sections for $ep \rightarrow e'p'f_0/f_2$
- Refinement of previous $ep \rightarrow ep\pi^+\pi^-$ CLAS analysis.
- $\pi^+\pi^-$ and ρ^0 cross sections : Good agreement with previous analysis.
- Expected b slope behaviour vs. x_B for f_0 and f_2
- No clear resonances in unbinned partial wave decomposition in GJ frame so far:
 - PWA fit in helicity frame ongoing.
 - Fully coherent amplitude basis ?
 - Different amplitude basis to match phi angular distribution ?
 - MC Phase Space : radiative effects ?

Thanks for your attention

Binning for f_0/f_2 analysis

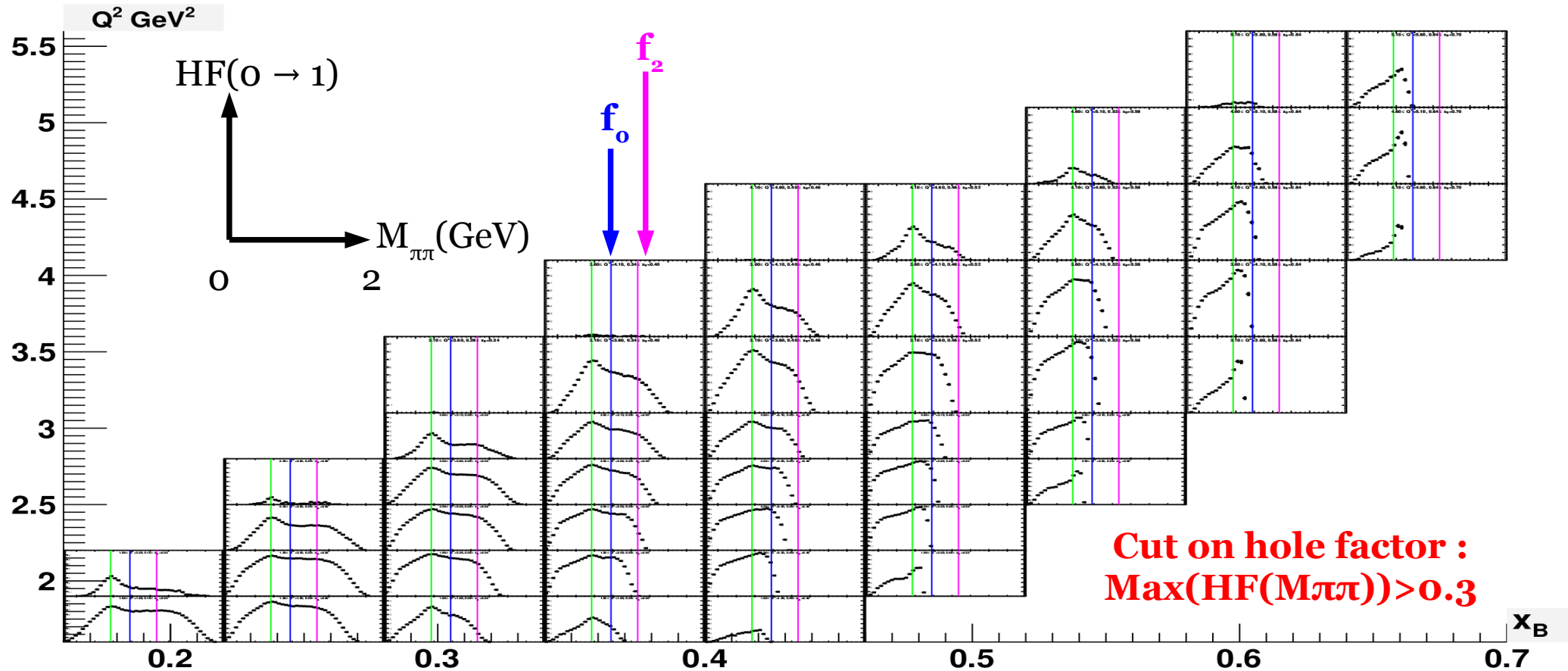
Variable	Number of bins	Range
Q^2	4	1.5-2.8
	3	2.8-5.1
x_B	6	0.15-0.55
	3	4.5-1.9
Φ	7	0-360
	7	-1-1
Φ_{HS}	7	0-360
	7	-1-1
$M_{\pi\pi}$	45	0.26-2.



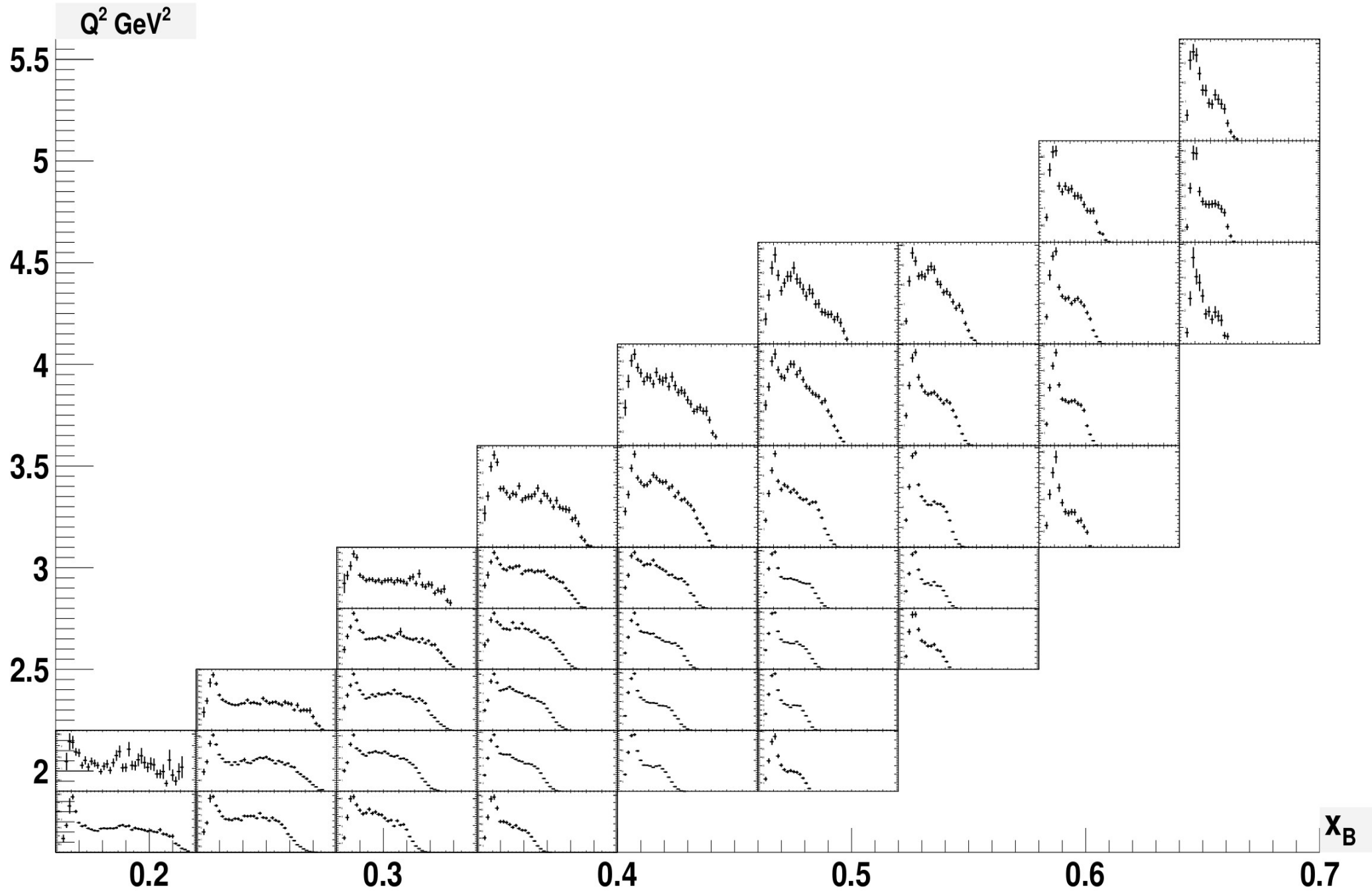
Hole Factor ($Q^2, x_B, M_{\pi\pi}$)

- Differential cross section studied on $N < 7$ dimension.
- Due to statistical effect, some 7D bins are not filled and generated events are not fully recovered by acceptance correction on an integrated bin V (dimension $N < 7$).
- A **model dependent** correction term called « **hole factor** » is used to retrieve generated events :

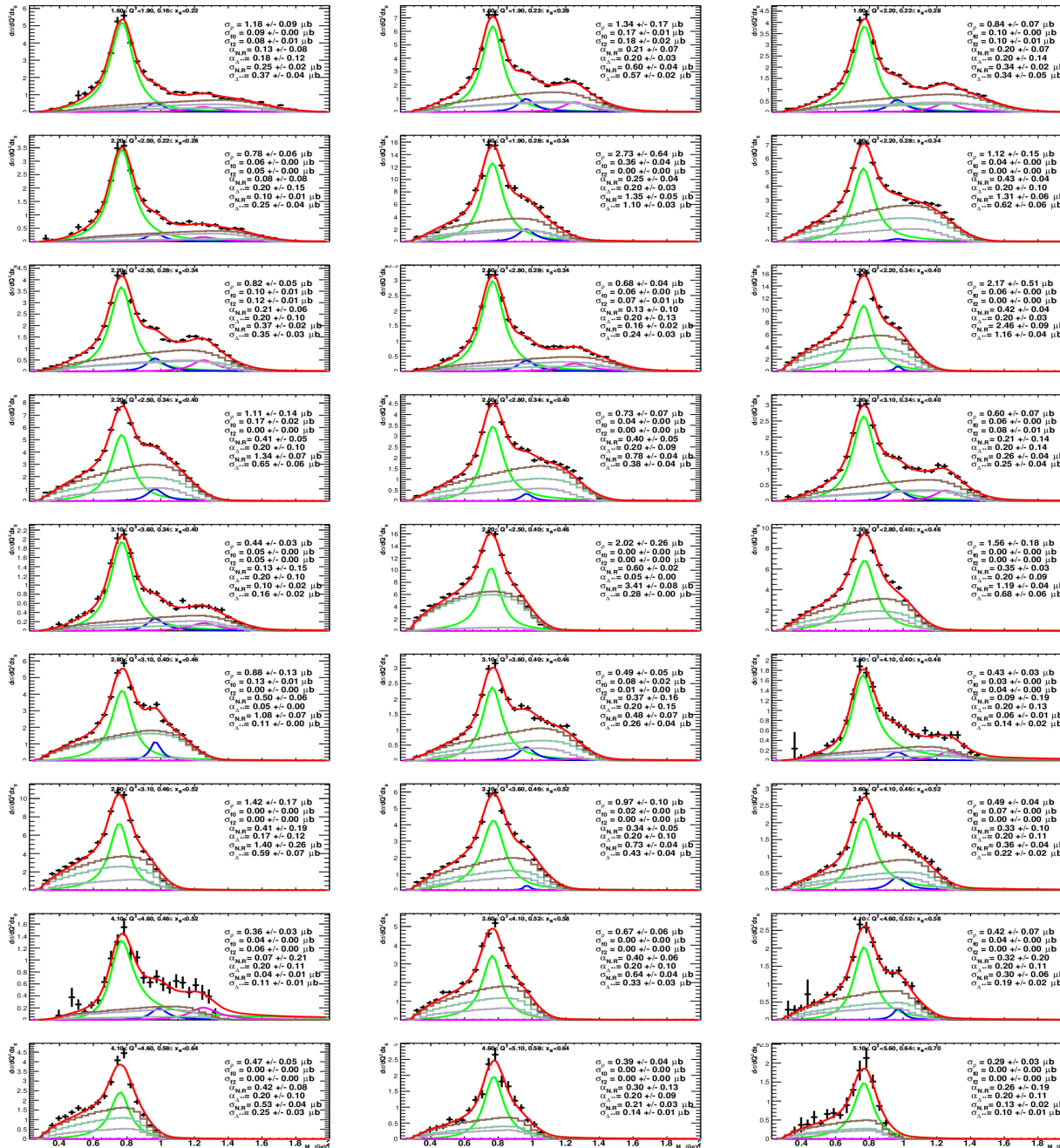
$$HF(V) = \frac{\int \frac{REC}{Acc}(V, x, y, z, \dots) * dx * dy * dz * \dots}{\int GEN(V, x, y, z, \dots) * dx * dy * dz * \dots}$$



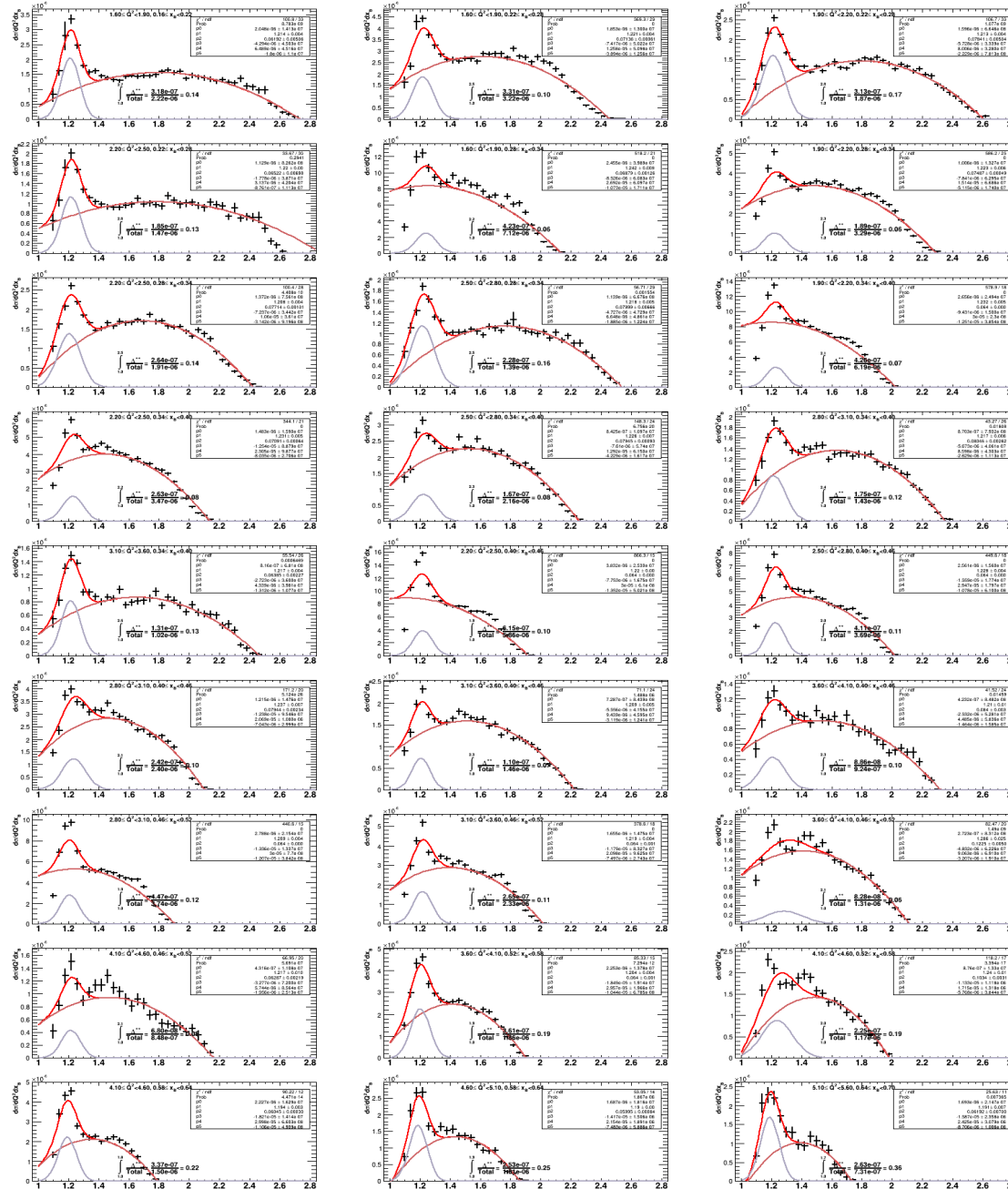
$\gamma^*p \rightarrow p\pi^+$ spectra



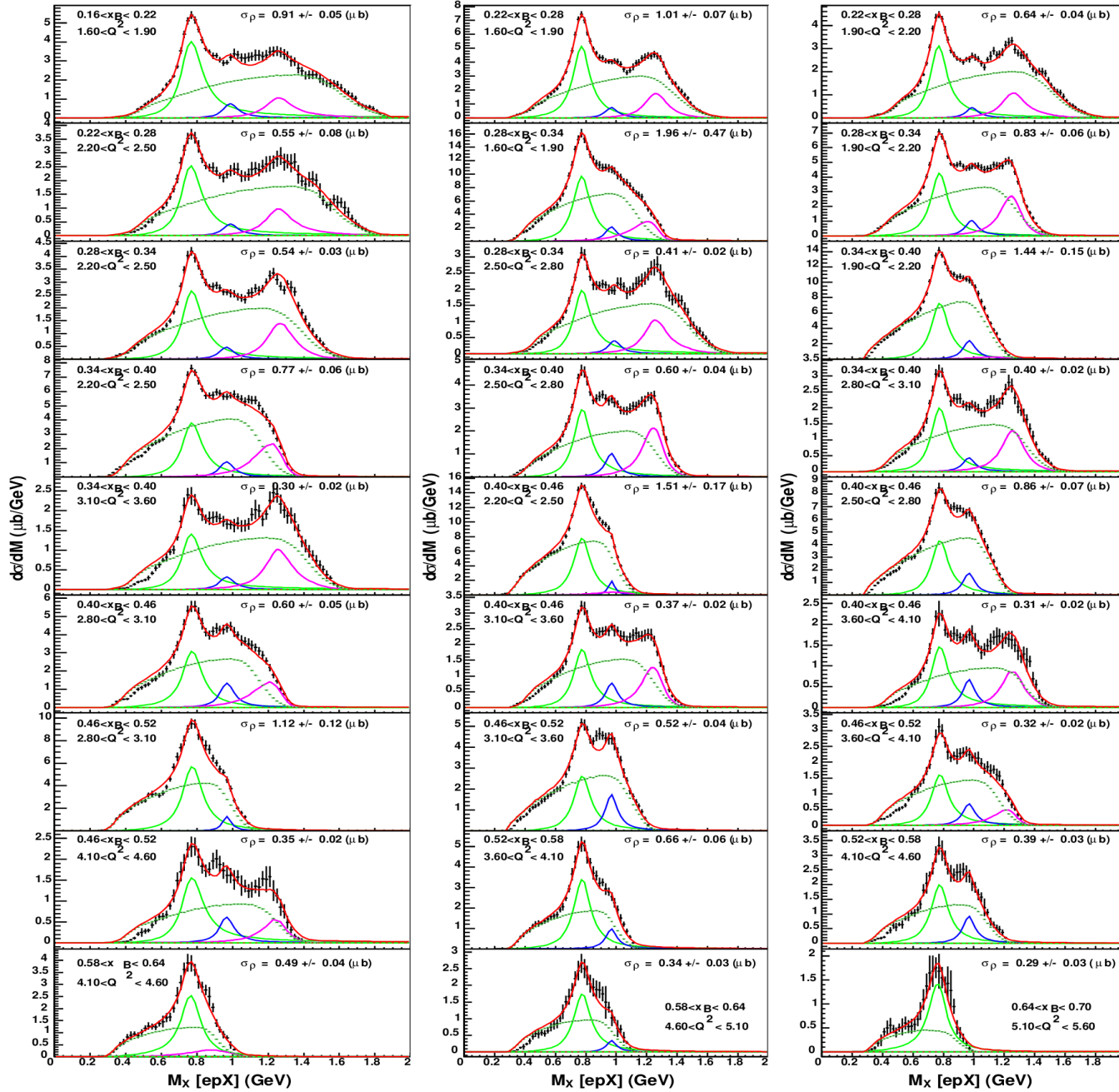
Fit results in (Q^2, x_B) bins



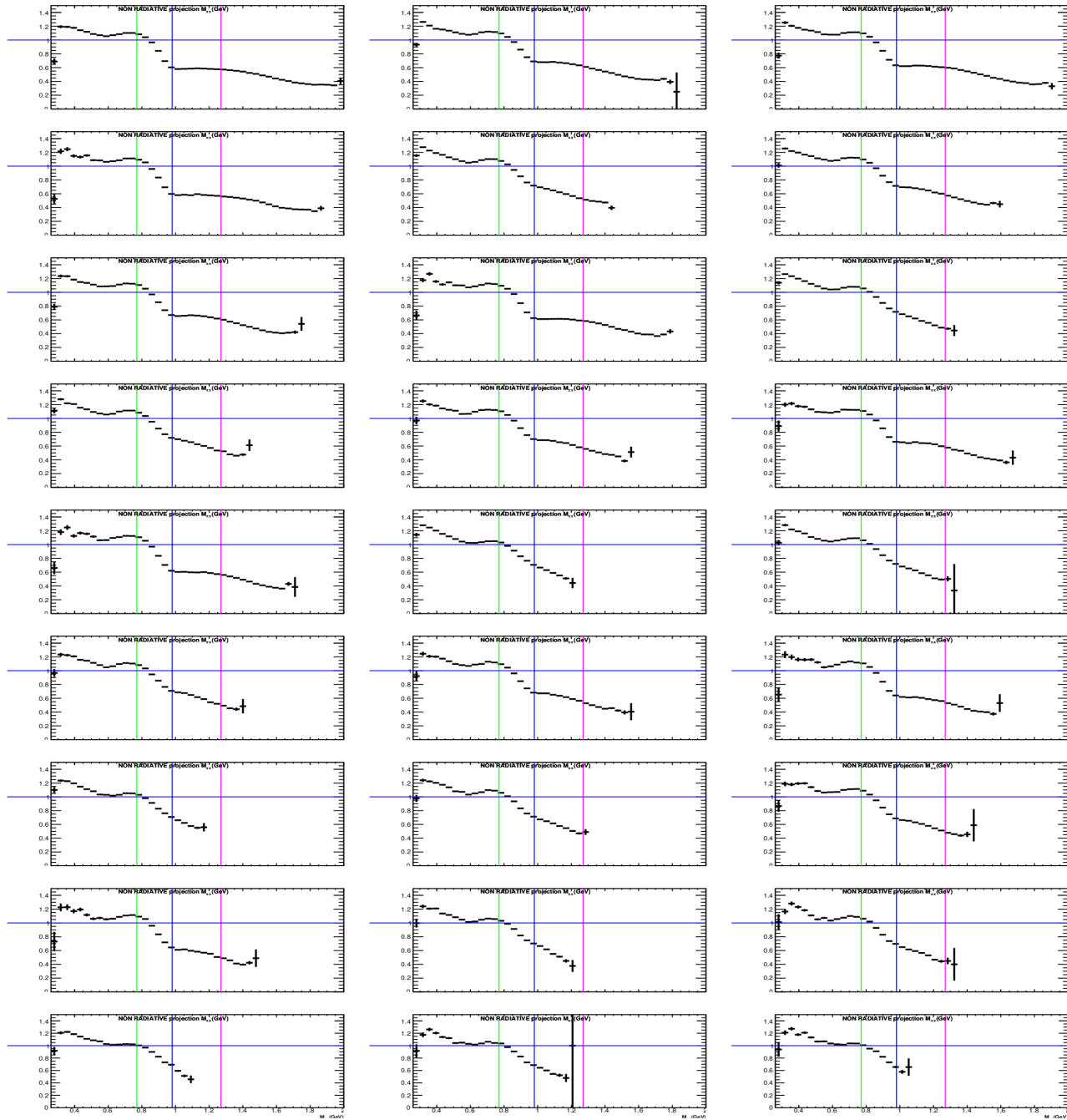
Δ^{++} contribution in (Q^2, x_B) bin



Fit results in (Q^2, x_B) (ρ^0 analysis)

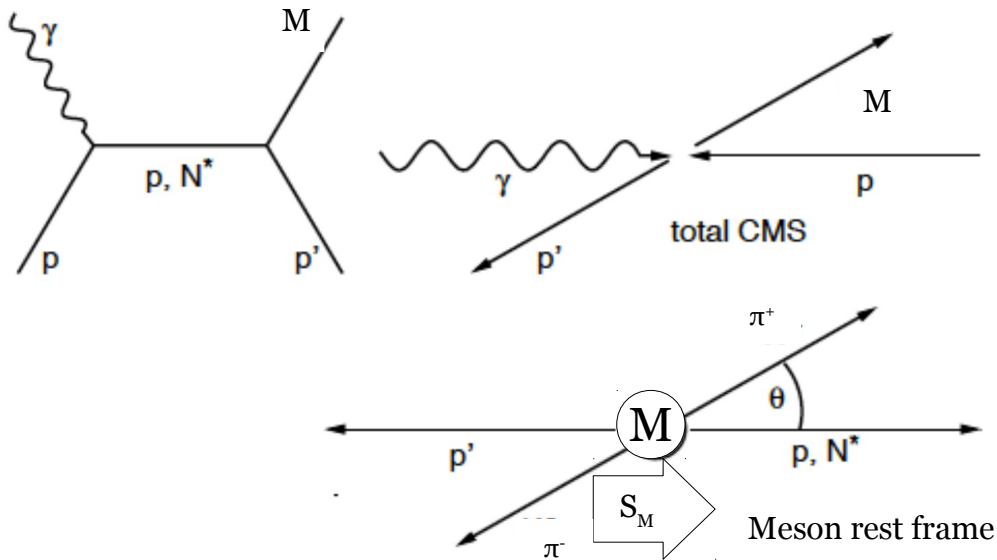


$F_{\text{RAD}}(M_{\text{epX}})$ in (Q^2, x_B) bins

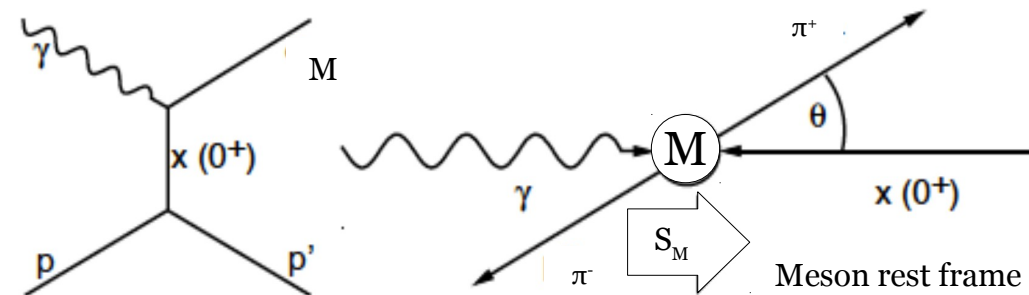


Decay meson frames

Helicity frame



Gottfried Jackson frame



The quantization axis z points into the direction of the meson M in the (γ^*, p) system.

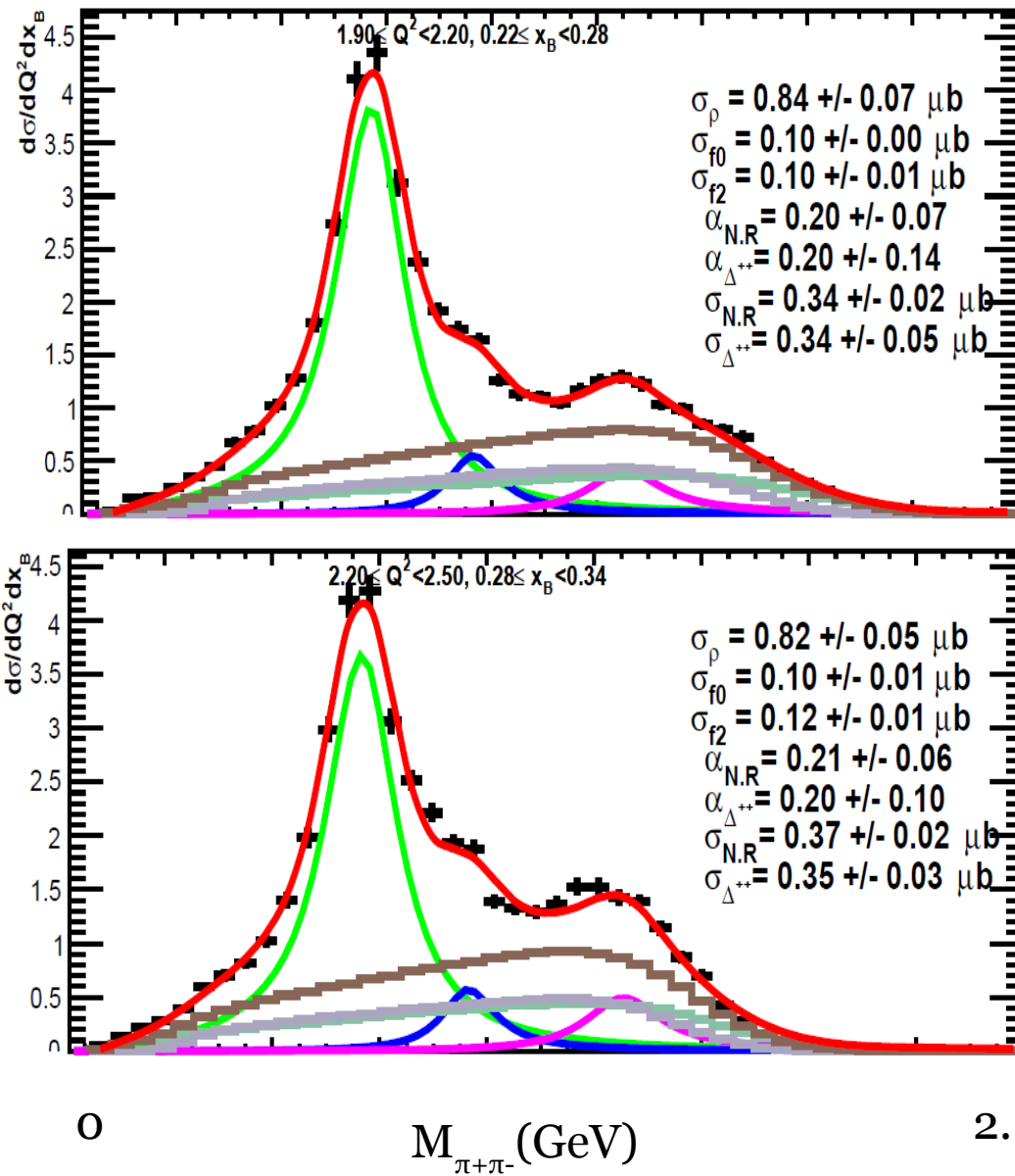
2 Lorentz boost performed :

- 1/ Boost from laboratory to (γ^*, p) CDM
- 2/ Boost from CDM to meson rest frame

The quantization axis z points into the direction of the virtual photon in the meson M rest frame

Lorentz boost from laboratory to meson rest frame.

Fit results in (Q^2, x_B) bins



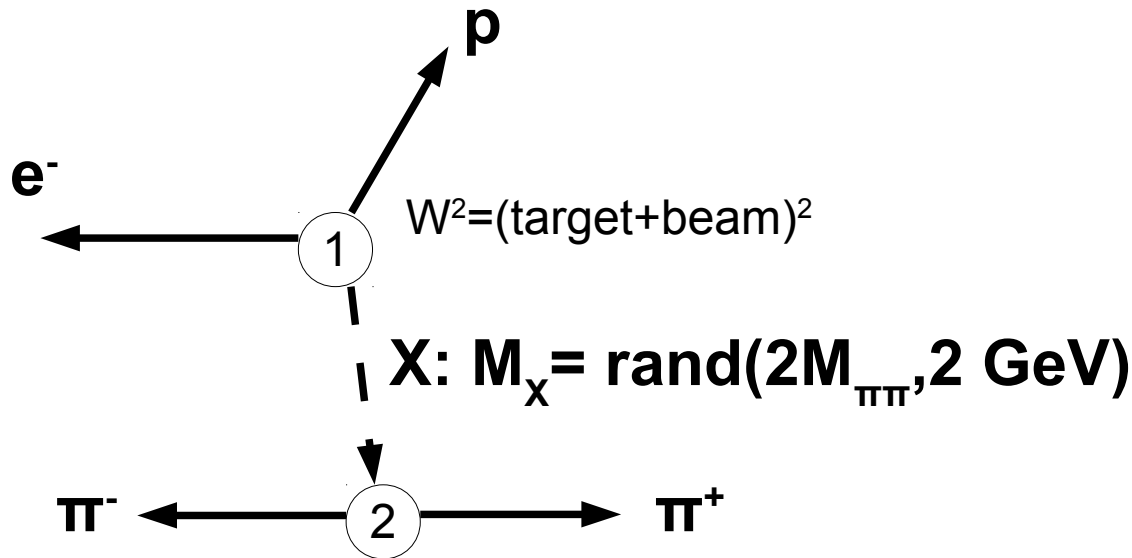
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 - Scale parameters for Background MC non radiative **non resonant $\pi\pi$** and **Δ^{++} channels** (Generated with Genev)

Background histograms normalized to data cross section in the corresponding $\pi\pi$ spectrum.
 → Scale parameters for background are defined such that :

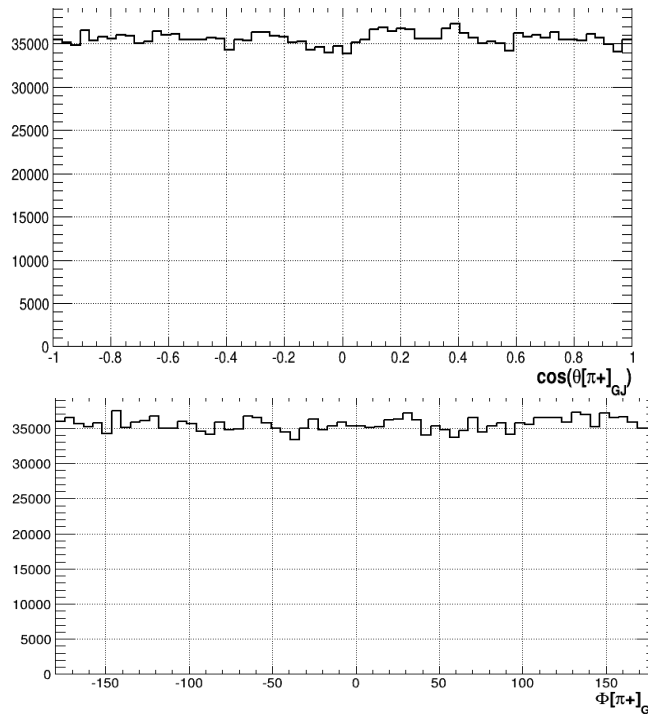
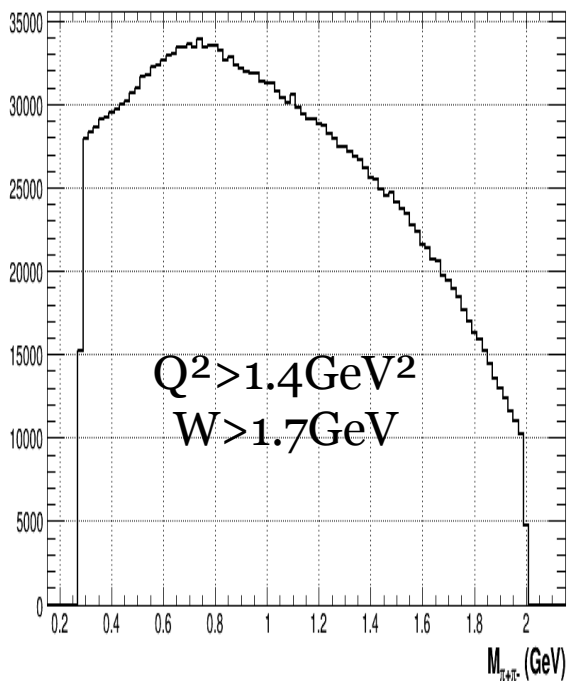
$$\alpha_{NR} = \frac{\int MC_{NR}(M_{\pi^+\pi^-}) dM_{\pi^+\pi^-}}{\int \frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2 dx_B dM_{\pi^+\pi^-}}(M_{\pi^+\pi^-}) dM_{\pi^+\pi^-}}$$

$$\alpha_{\Delta^{++}} = \frac{\int MC_{\Delta^{++}}(M_{\pi^+\pi^-}) dM_{\pi^+\pi^-}}{\int \frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2 dx_B dM_{\pi^+\pi^-}}(M_{\pi^+\pi^-}) dM_{\pi^+\pi^-}}$$

Toy phase space MC

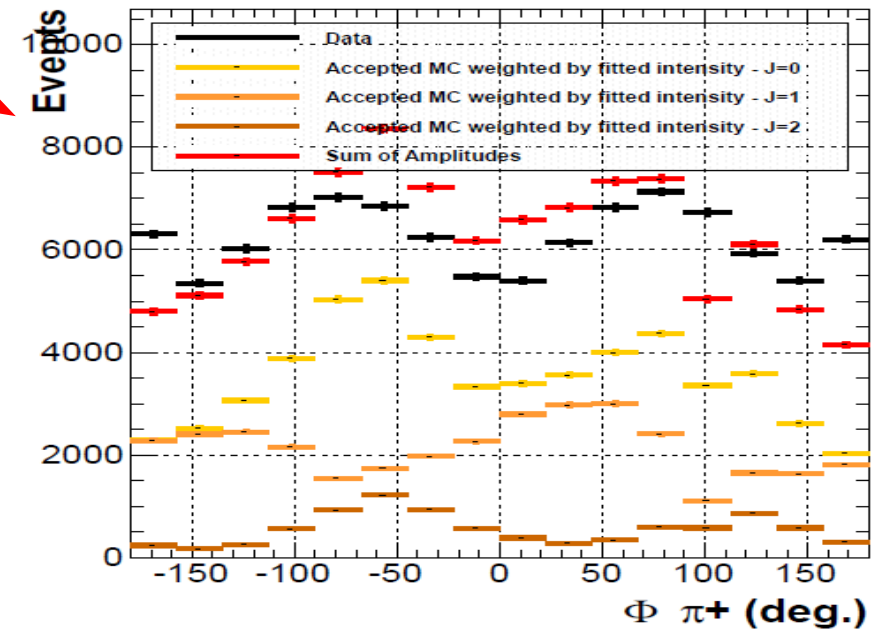
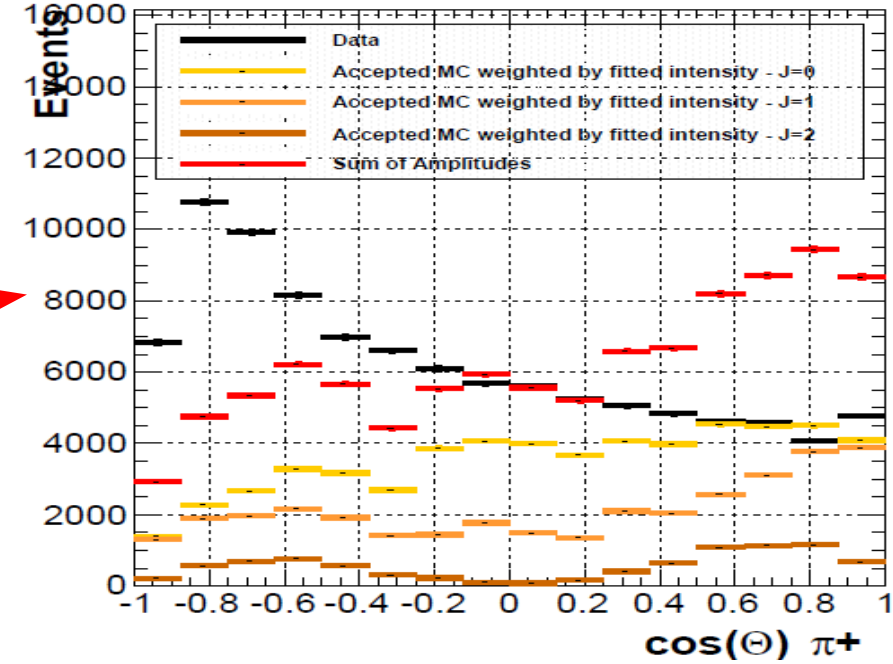
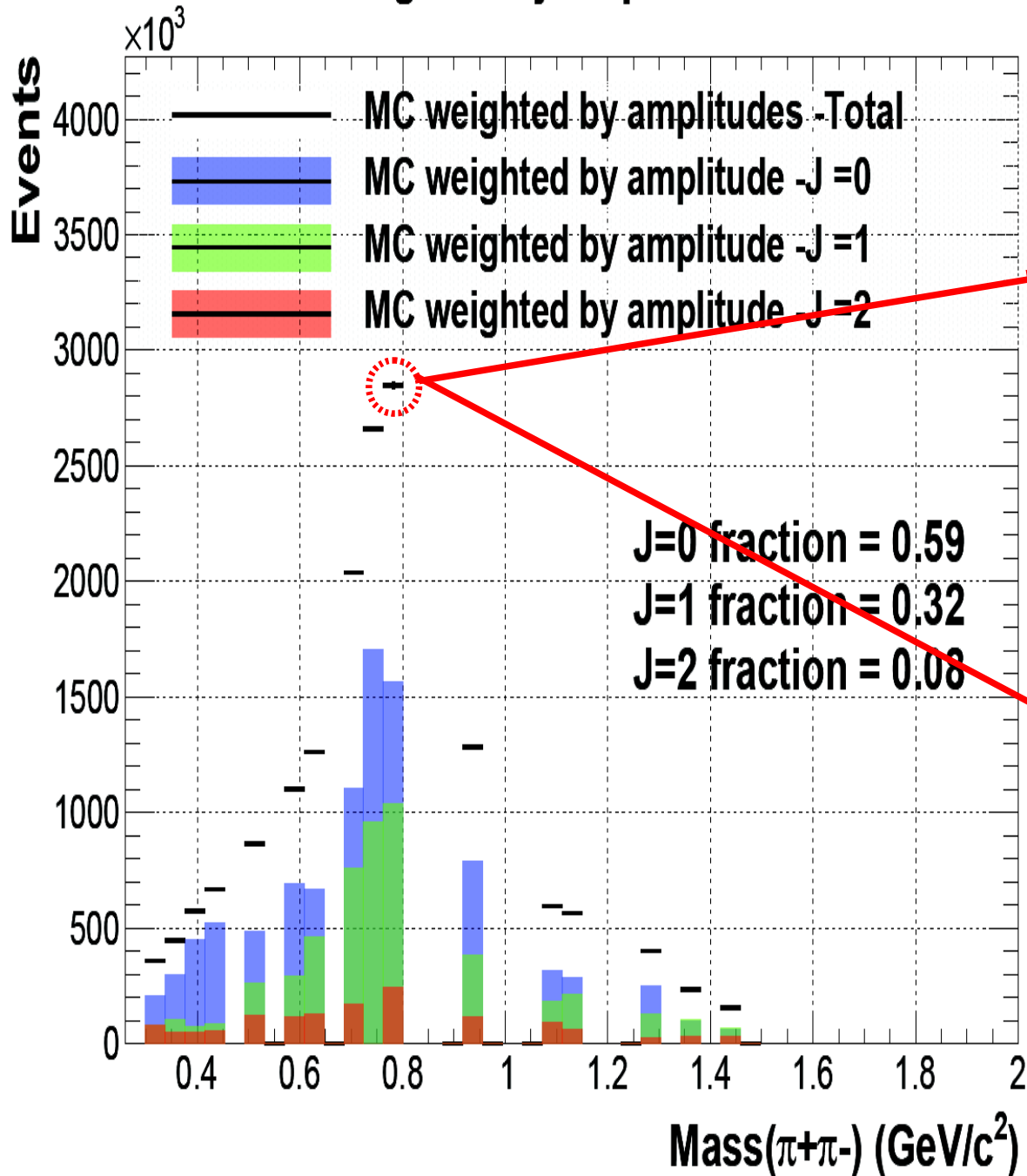


- 3 requirements :
 - Whole phase space covered
 - Uniform decay angular distribution for pion in dipion rest frame
 - Particles generated according to phase space only.



Note : No radiative effects are considered

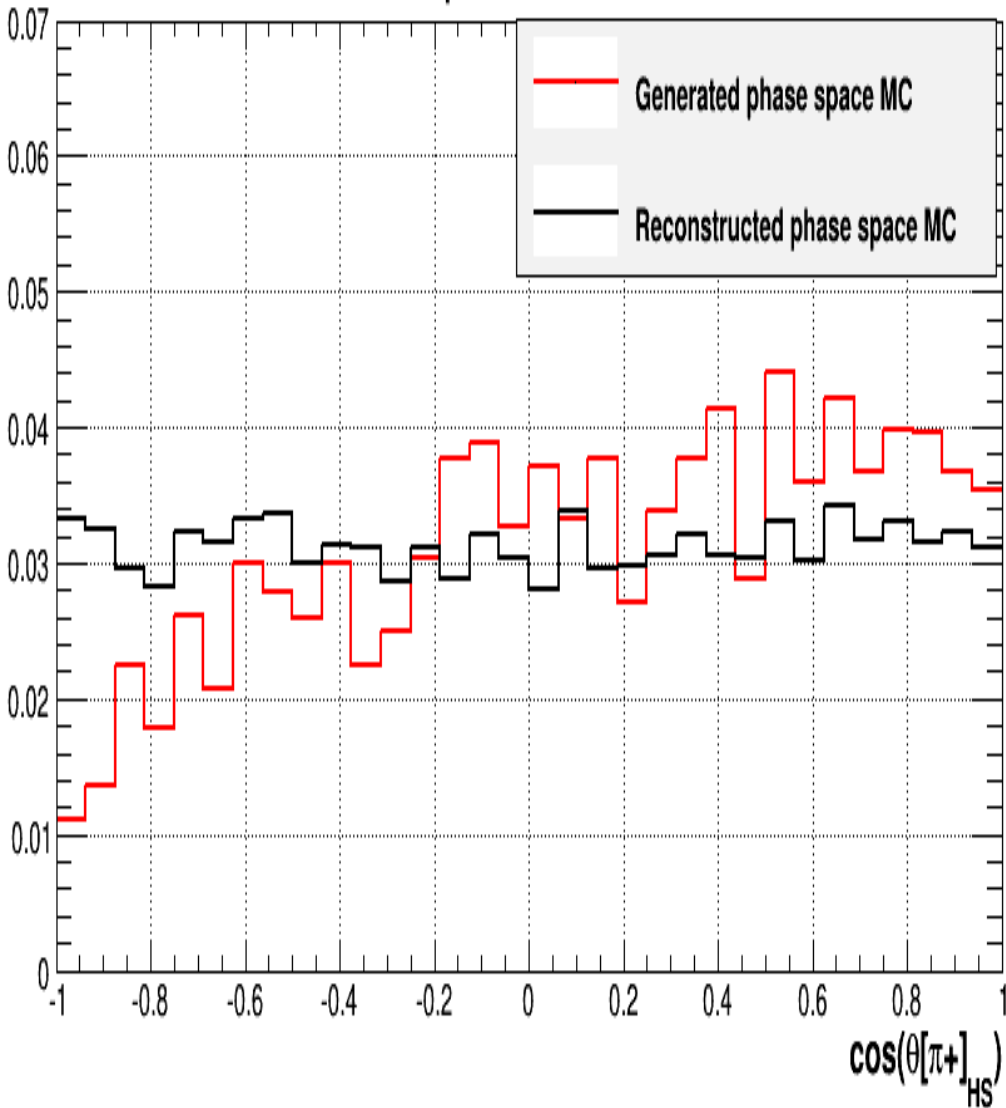
Fit in helicity frame



Acceptance for decay angles

Helicity frame

$0.76 < M_{\pi^+\pi^-} \text{ (GeV)} < 0.80$



Gottfried-Jackson frame

$0.76 < M_{\pi^+\pi^-} \text{ (GeV)} < 0.80$

