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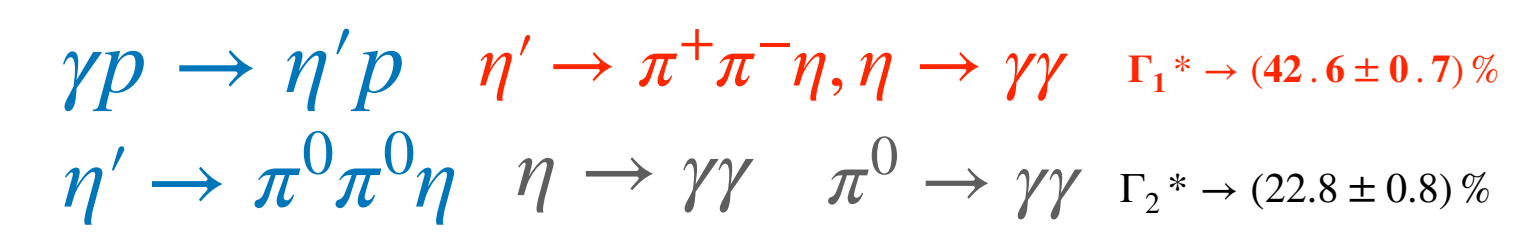
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For the GlueX Collaboration

## Meson Photoproduction & Beam Asymmetry

- Meson photo production plays crucial role in the studies of hadron spectrum and searches for exotic mesons.
- In order to hunt for new resonances, it requires to know quantum numbers first, which essentially constrains both decays and production mechanisms.
- Beam Asymmetry ( $\Sigma_{\eta'}$ ) =  $\frac{d\sigma_{\perp} - d\sigma_{\parallel}}{d\sigma_{\perp} + d\sigma_{\parallel}}$ ,  $d\sigma_{\perp, \parallel} \equiv \frac{d\sigma_{\perp, \parallel}}{dt}(s, t)$  differential cross sections for photons polarized perpendicular or parallel to the reaction plane, s & t are Mandelstam variables.
- Beam Asymmetry is such an observable which helps to study production mechanism.
- Access of beam asymmetry at higher  $-t$  allows to identify whether  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  mesons are still the dominant exchange mechanism during  $\eta'$  photo production process.

## (Reaction Channels, $\eta'$ decay modes for $\Sigma_{\eta'}$ )

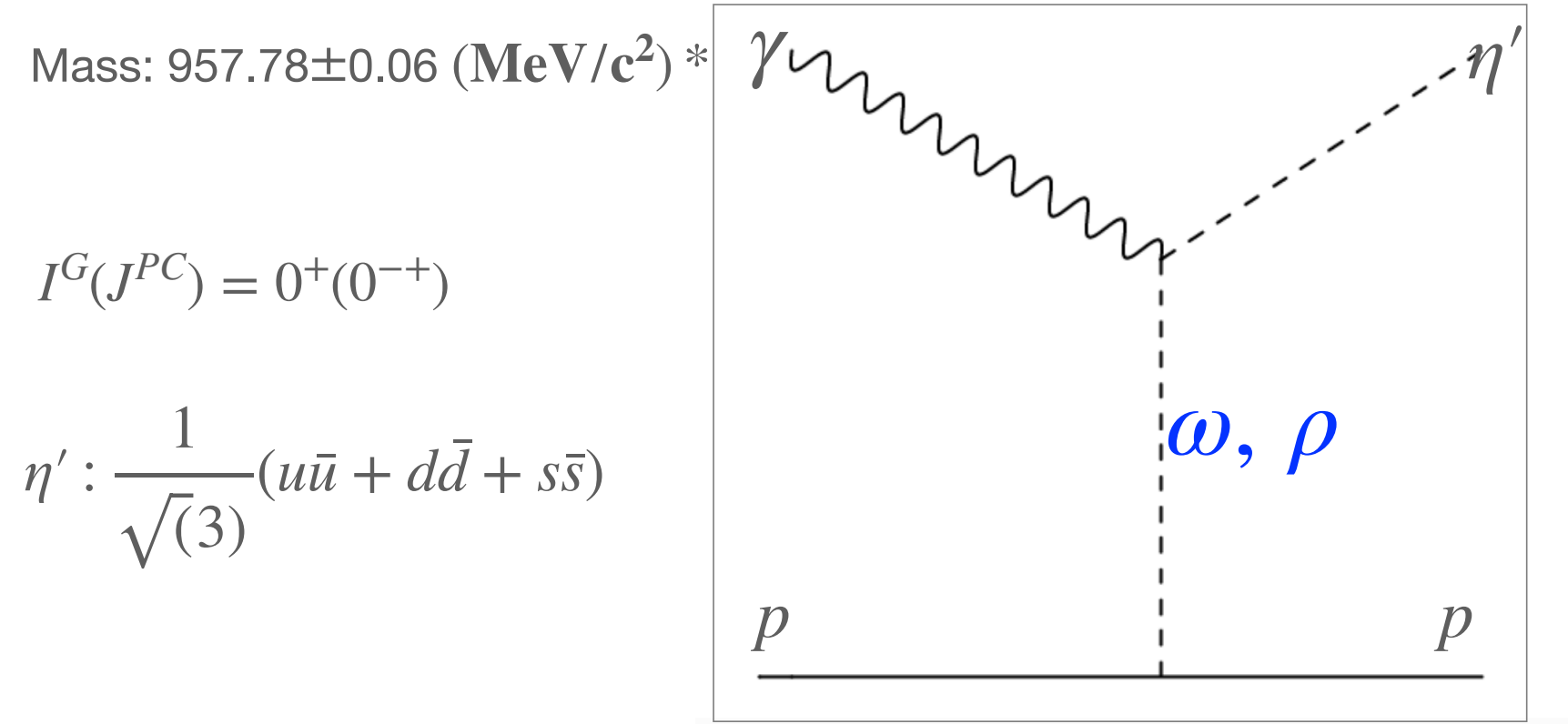


Natural Parity Exchange

Unnatural Parity Exchange

$$\Sigma = \frac{|\omega + \rho|^2}{|\omega + \rho|^2 + |h + b|^2}$$

$\Sigma = \pm 1$  indicates vector meson/axial vector meson dominance

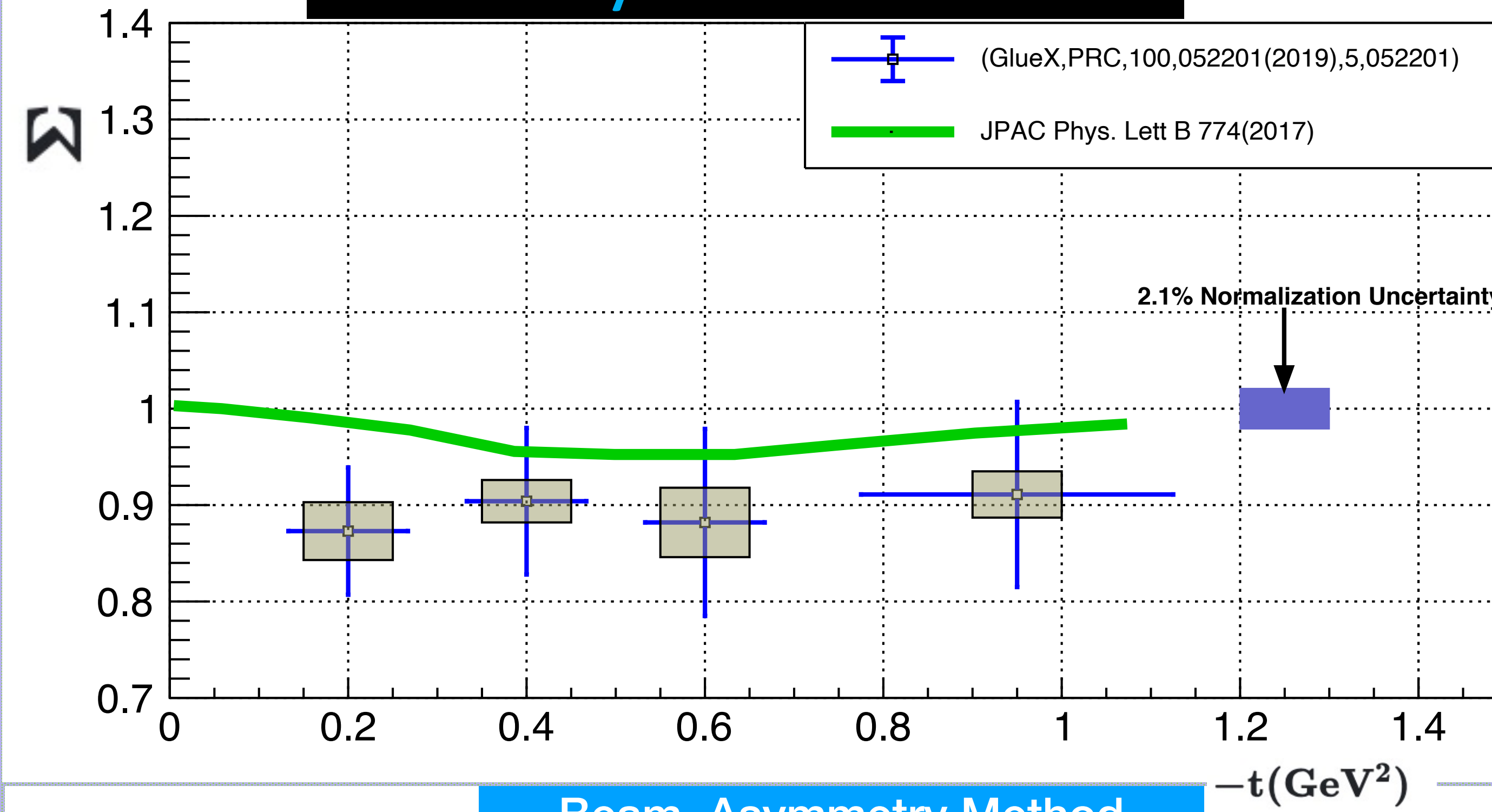


$I^G(J^{PC}) = 0^+(0^{-+})$

$\eta' : \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d} + s\bar{s})$

\*M. Tanabashi et al. (Particle Data Group). Phys. Rev. D 98, 030001 (2018)

## Past Analysis and Models:



## Beam Asymmetry Method

Photoproduction of pseudoscalar mesons: Linearly polarized photon beam and an unpolarized target, the polarized cross-section  $\sigma_{pol}$  is related to the beam asymmetry via the following equation:

$$\sigma_{pol}(\phi, \phi_\gamma) = \sigma_{unpol}[1 - P_\gamma \Sigma \cos(2(\phi - \phi_\gamma))]$$

$$\Sigma = \frac{\sigma_{\perp} - \sigma_{\parallel}}{\sigma_{\perp} + \sigma_{\parallel}}$$

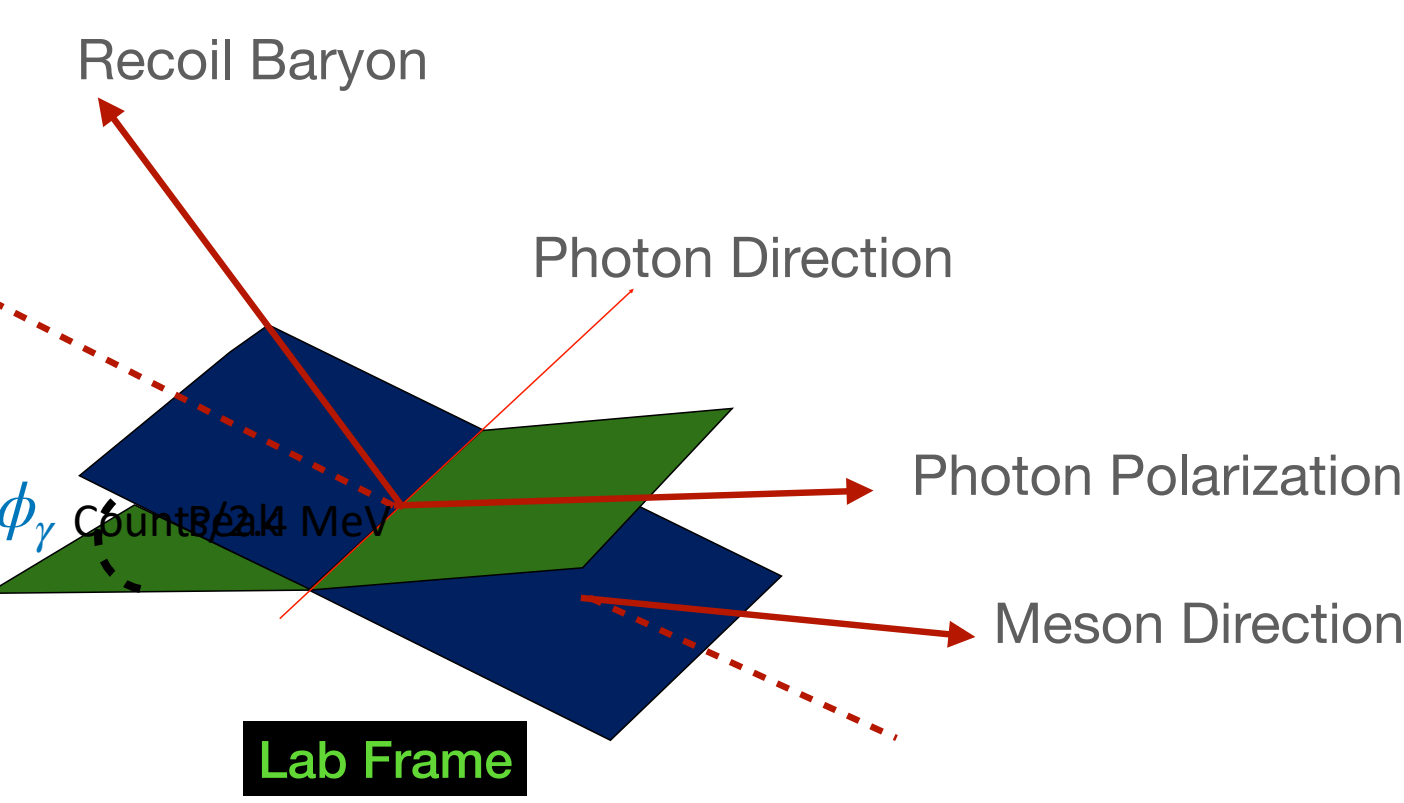
$$Y_{\parallel}(\phi, \phi_\gamma = 0) \propto N_{\parallel}[\sigma_0 A(\phi)(1 - P_{\parallel} \Sigma \cos 2\phi)]$$

$$Y_{\perp}(\phi, \phi_\gamma = 90) \propto N_{\perp}[\sigma_0 A(\phi)(1 + P_{\perp} \Sigma \cos 2\phi)]$$

$$\text{Yield Asymmetry (YA)} = \frac{Y_{\perp} - F_R Y_{\parallel}}{Y_{\perp} + F_R Y_{\parallel}} = \frac{(P_{\perp} + P_{\parallel}) \Sigma \cos 2(\phi - \phi_0)}{2 + (P_{\perp} - P_{\parallel}) \Sigma \cos 2(\phi - \phi_0)}$$

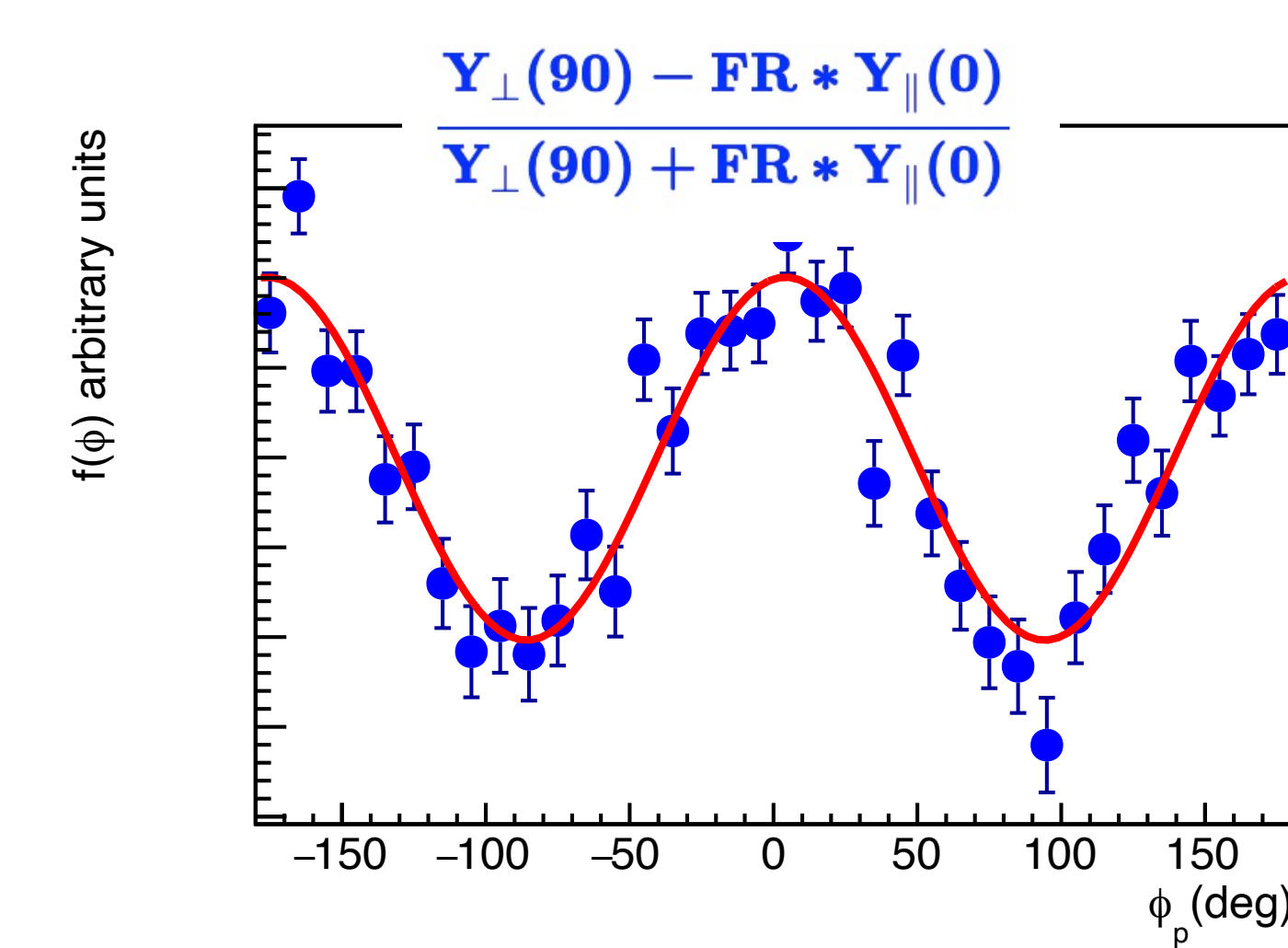
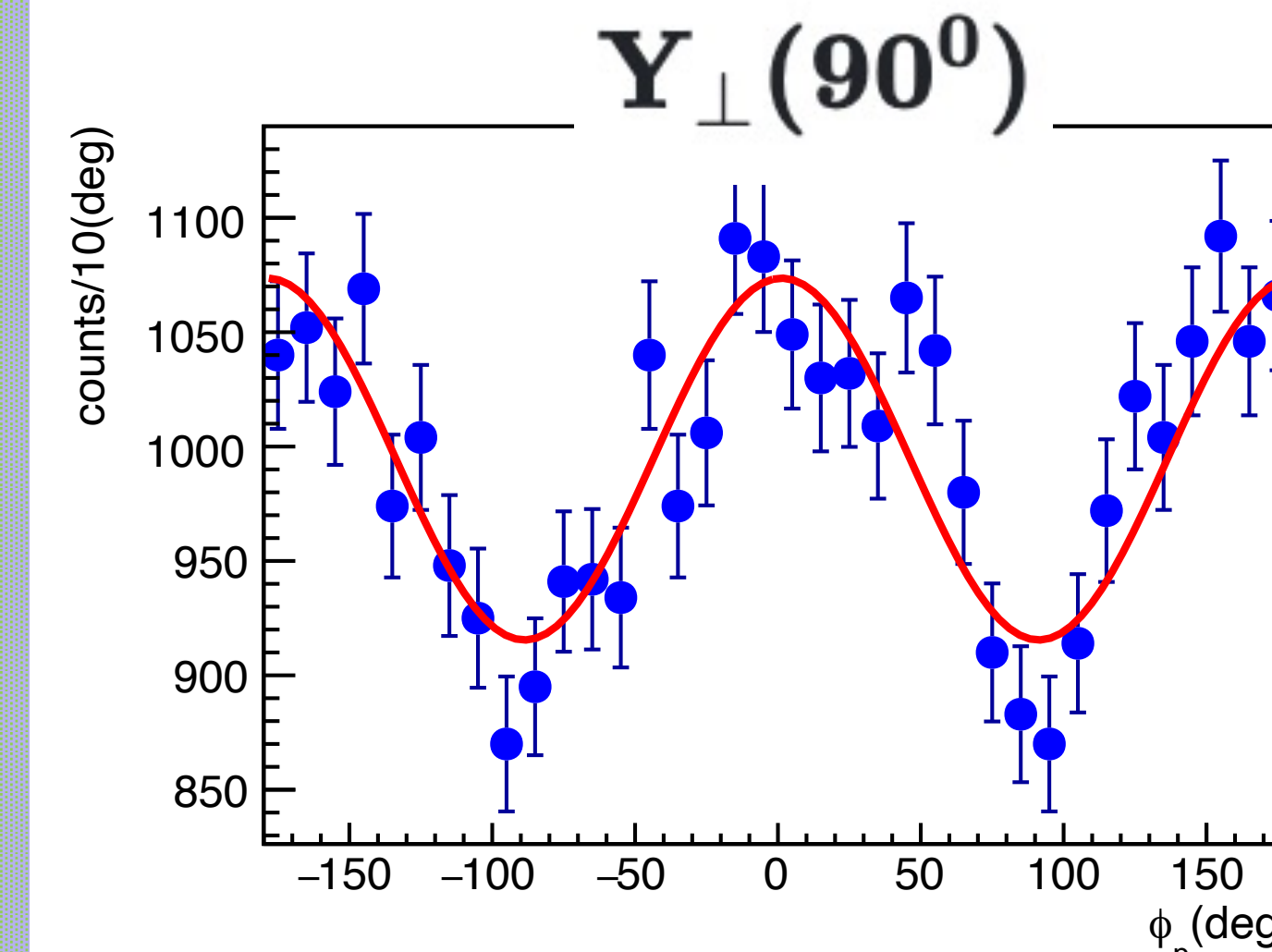
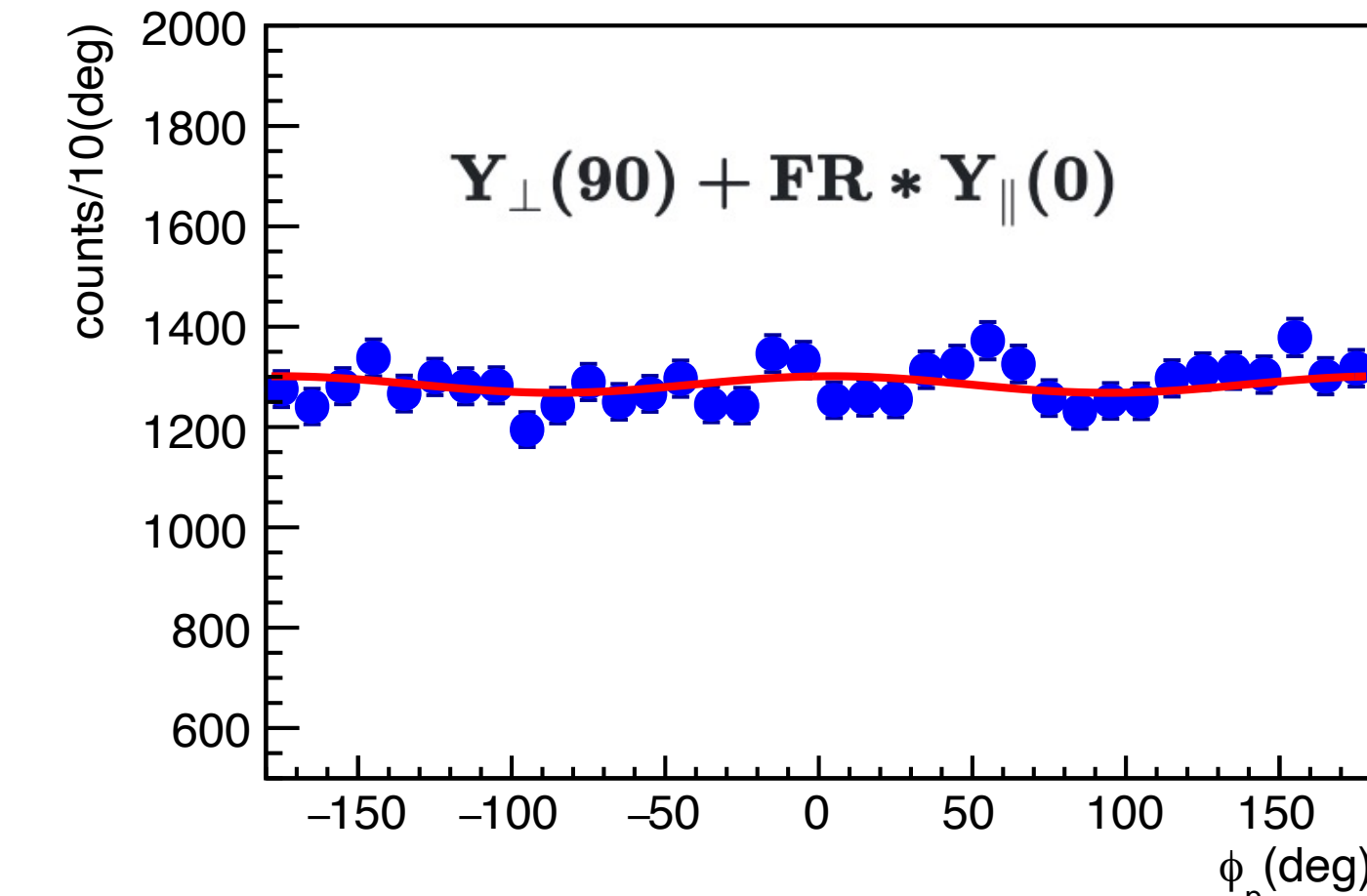
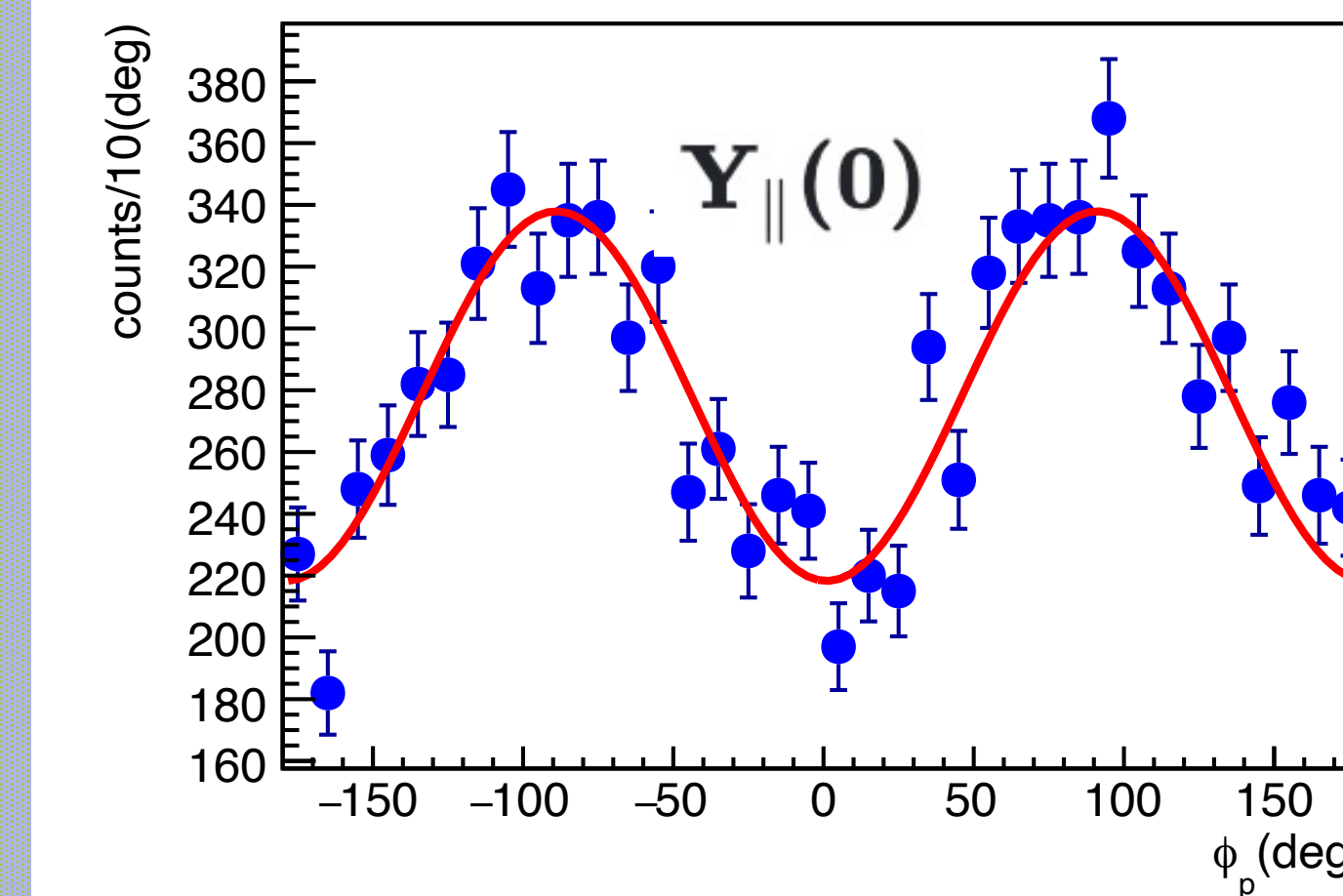
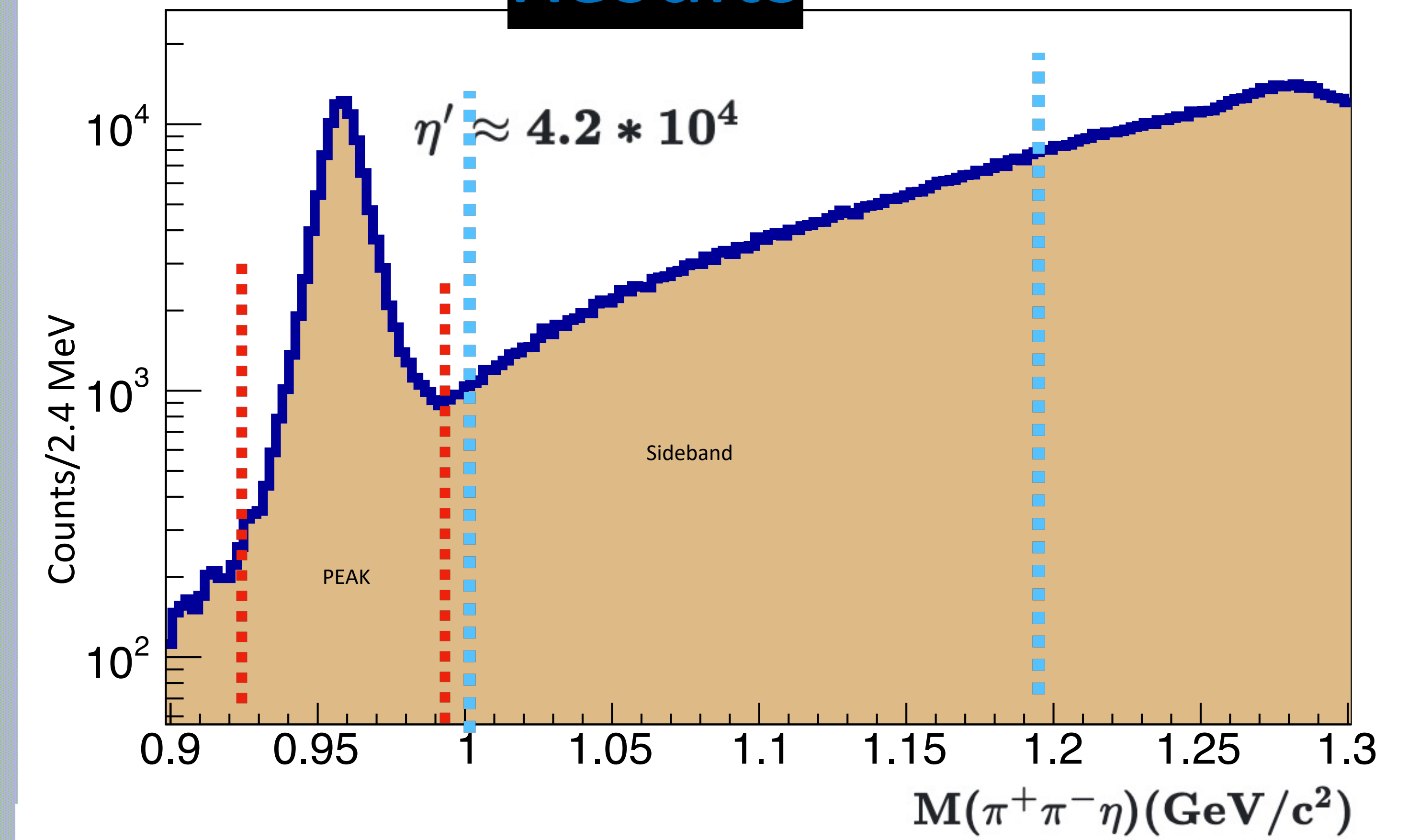
$F_R = \frac{N_{\perp}}{N_{\parallel}}$

$\phi_0$  is the diamond misalignment offset



Two orthogonal polarizations combined appropriately result in a cancellation of acceptance & detector inefficiencies in principle

## Results



## Polarization

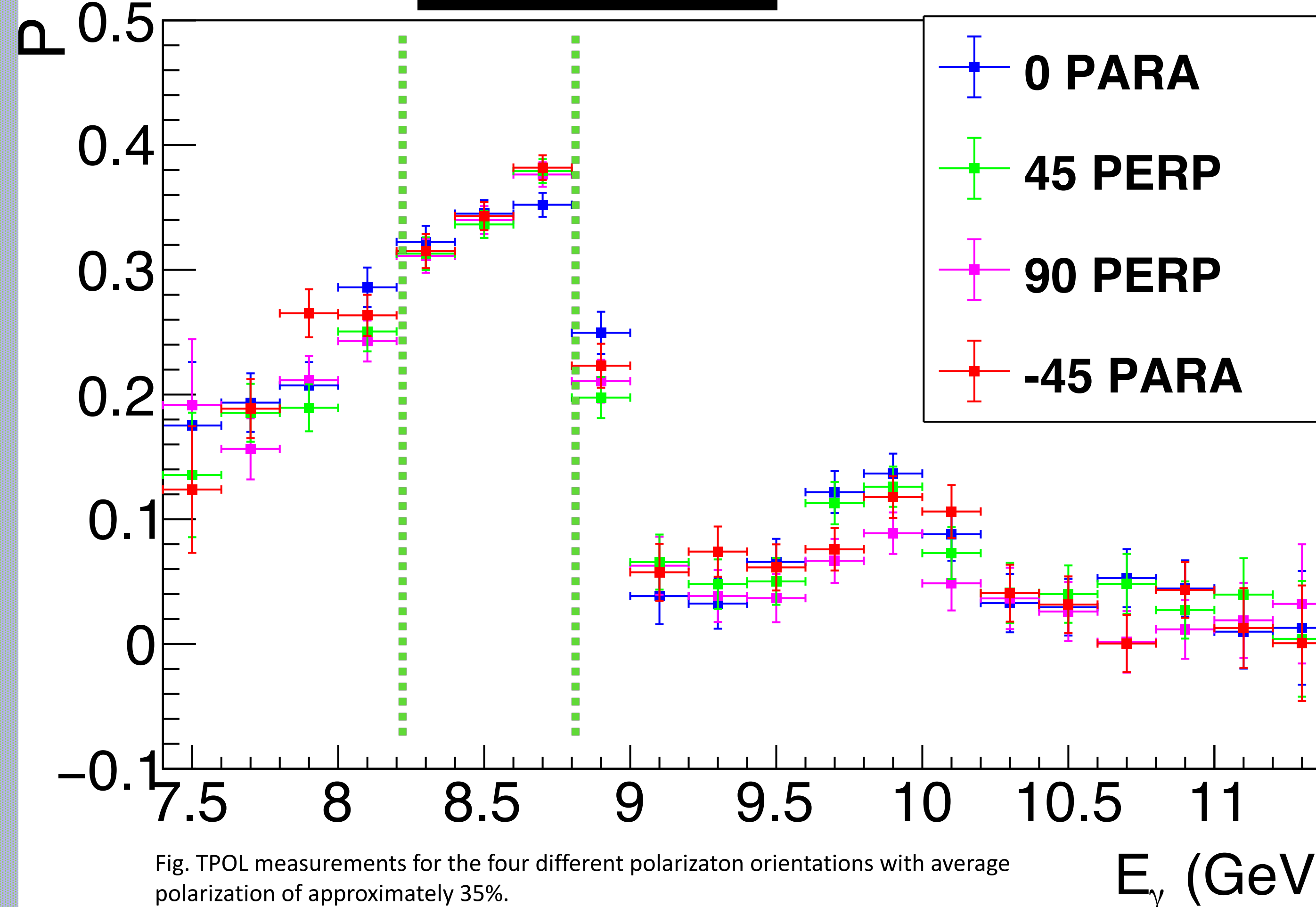
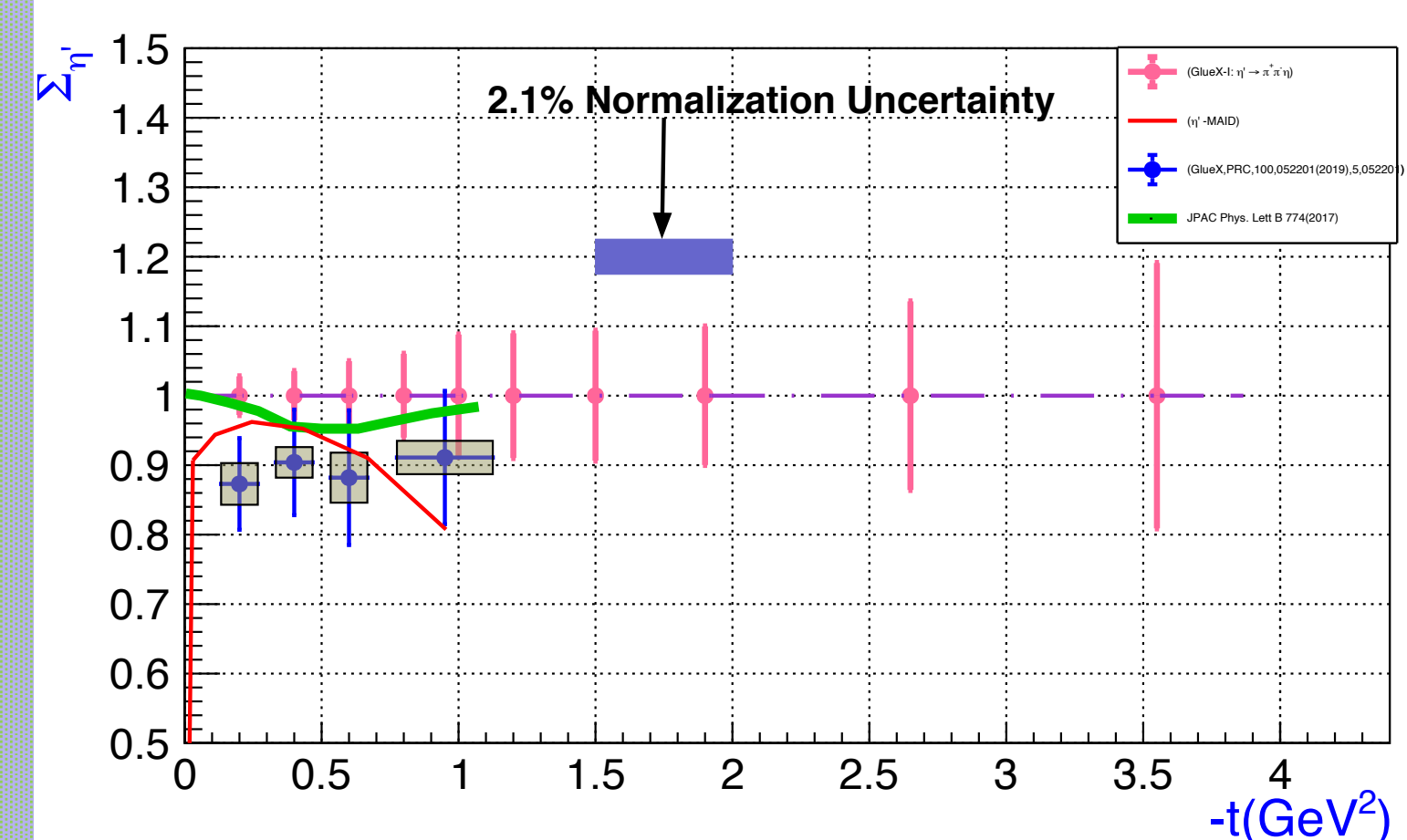
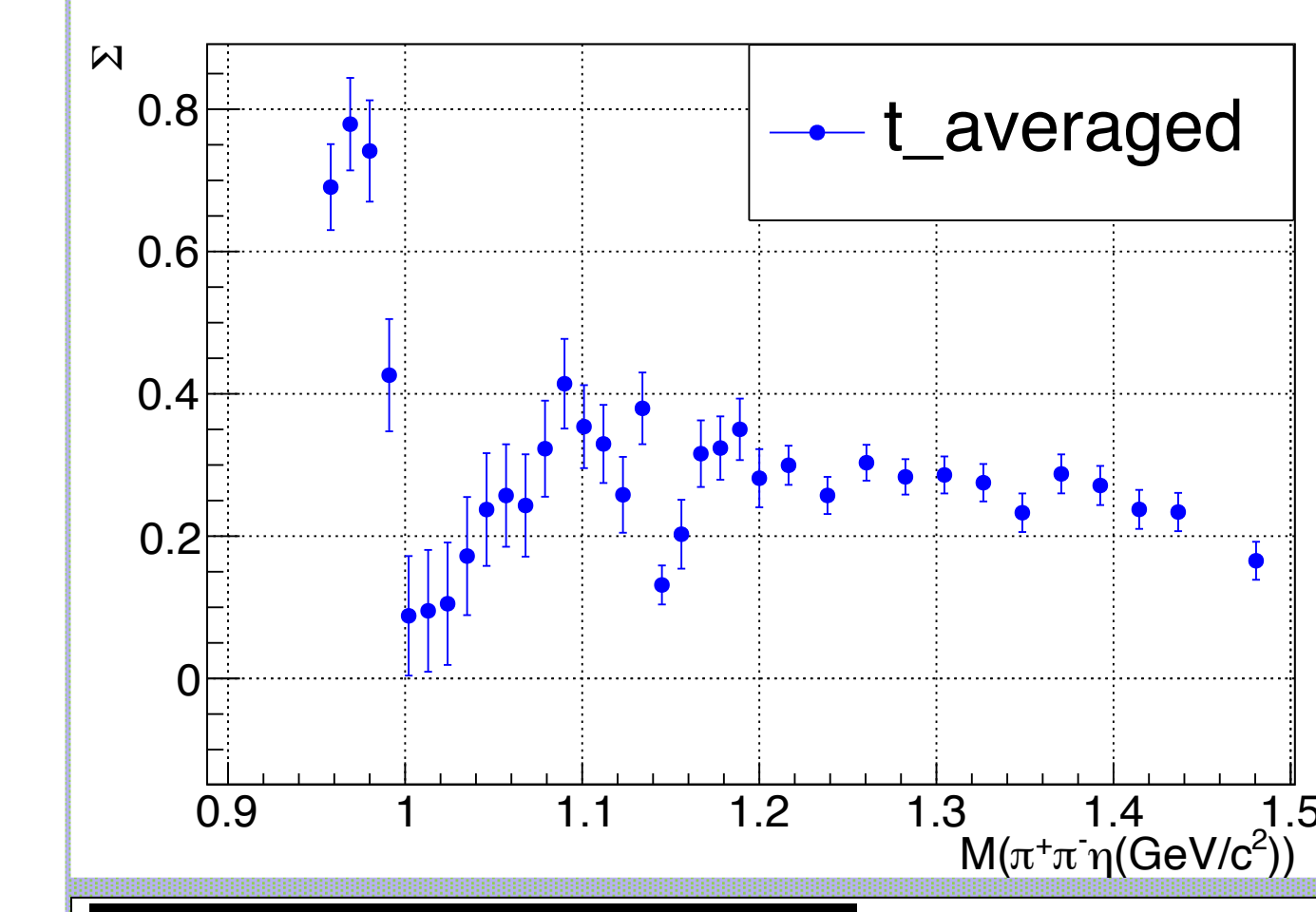
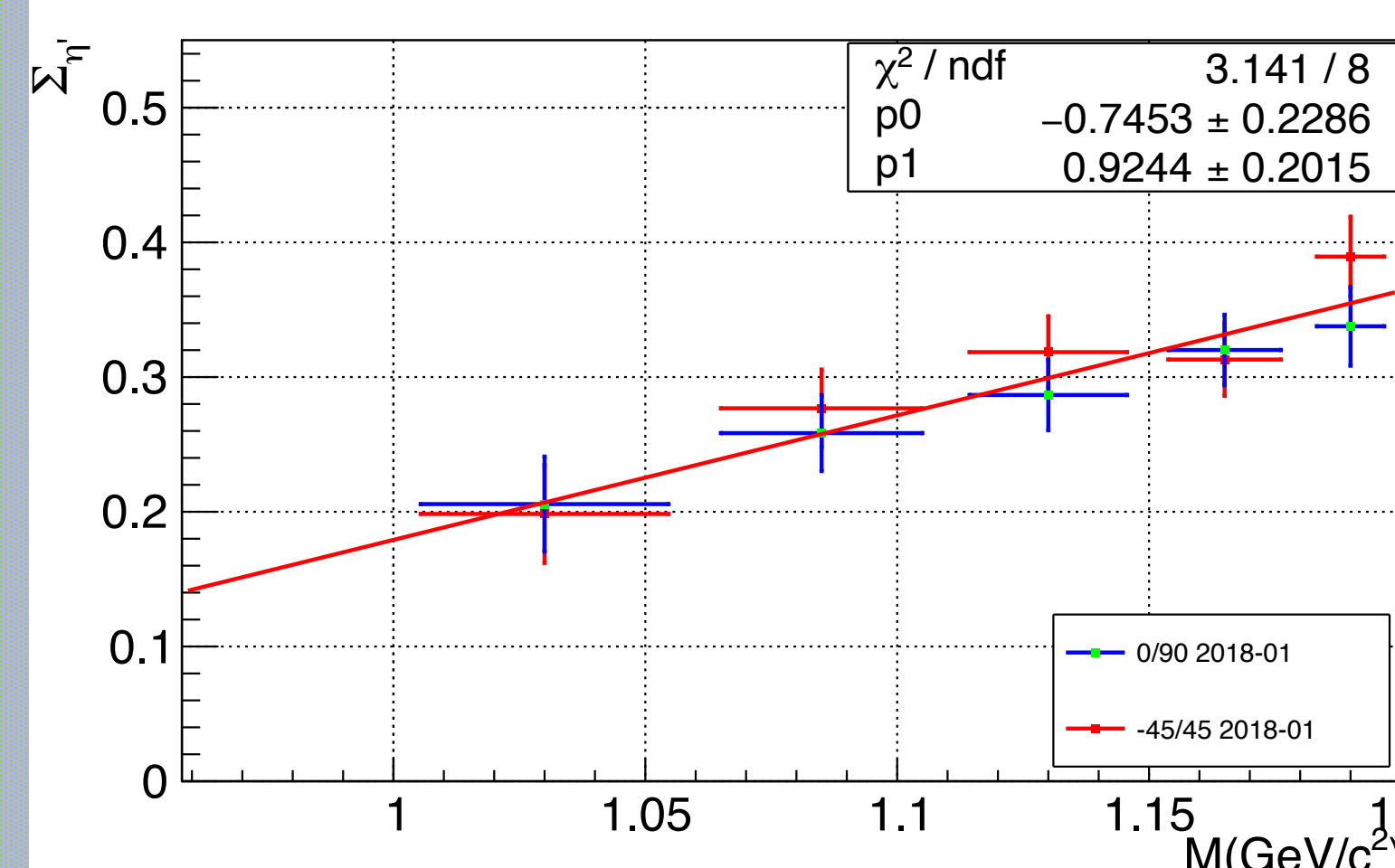
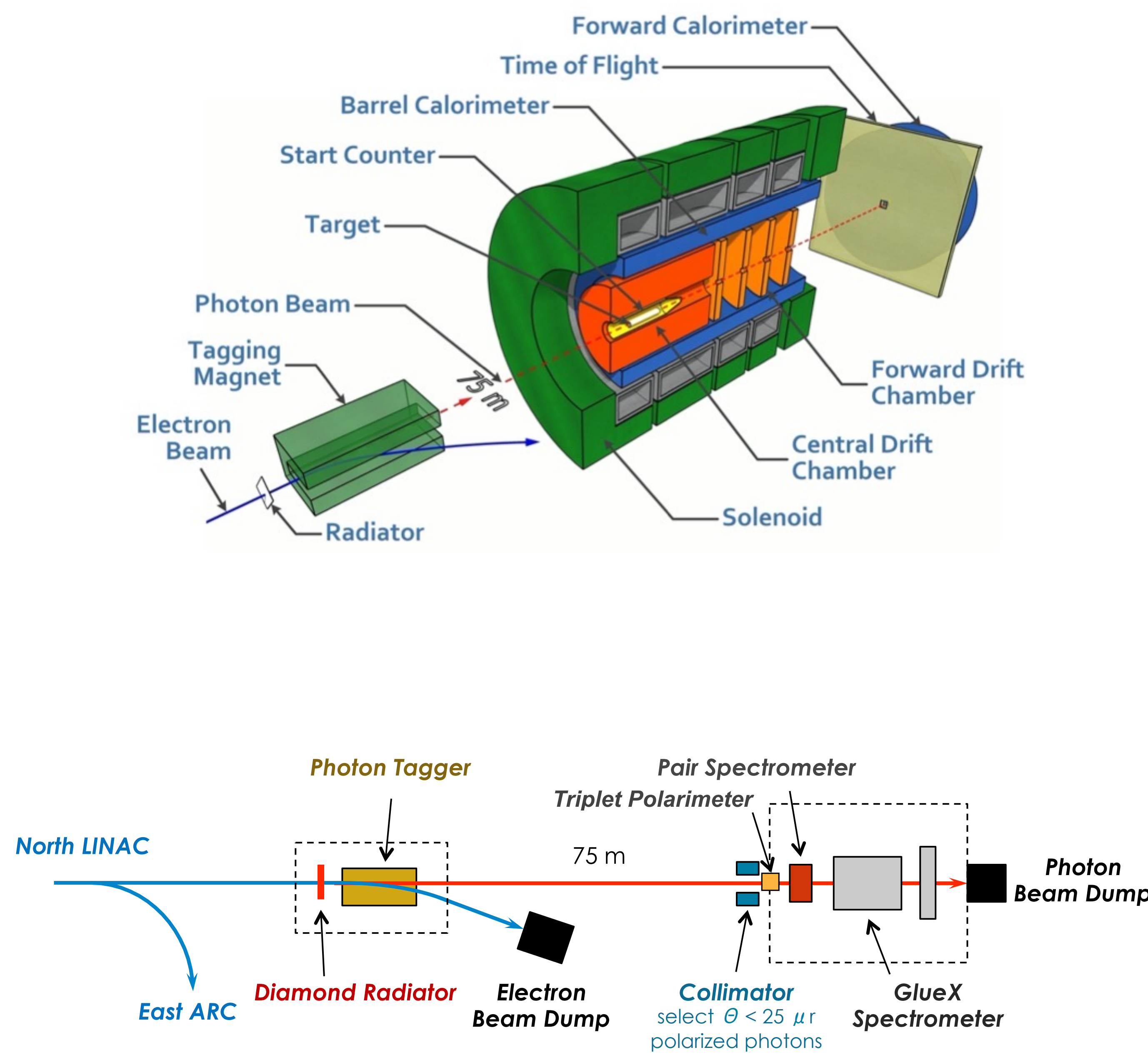


Fig. TPOL measurements for the four different polarization orientations with average polarization of approximately 35%.

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## GlueX Detector and Beamline Setup



## Next Steps:

- 1) Extraction of Dilution factor
- 2) Sideband and Background corrected asymmetries
- 3) Systematic studies
- 4) Bggen MC study for background reactions channels