



# CLAS

## Meson Photoproduction Experiments on Protons

- Introduction
- Single meson photoproduction data
- Double pion photoproduction data
- Upcoming frozen-spin target program

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# Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility

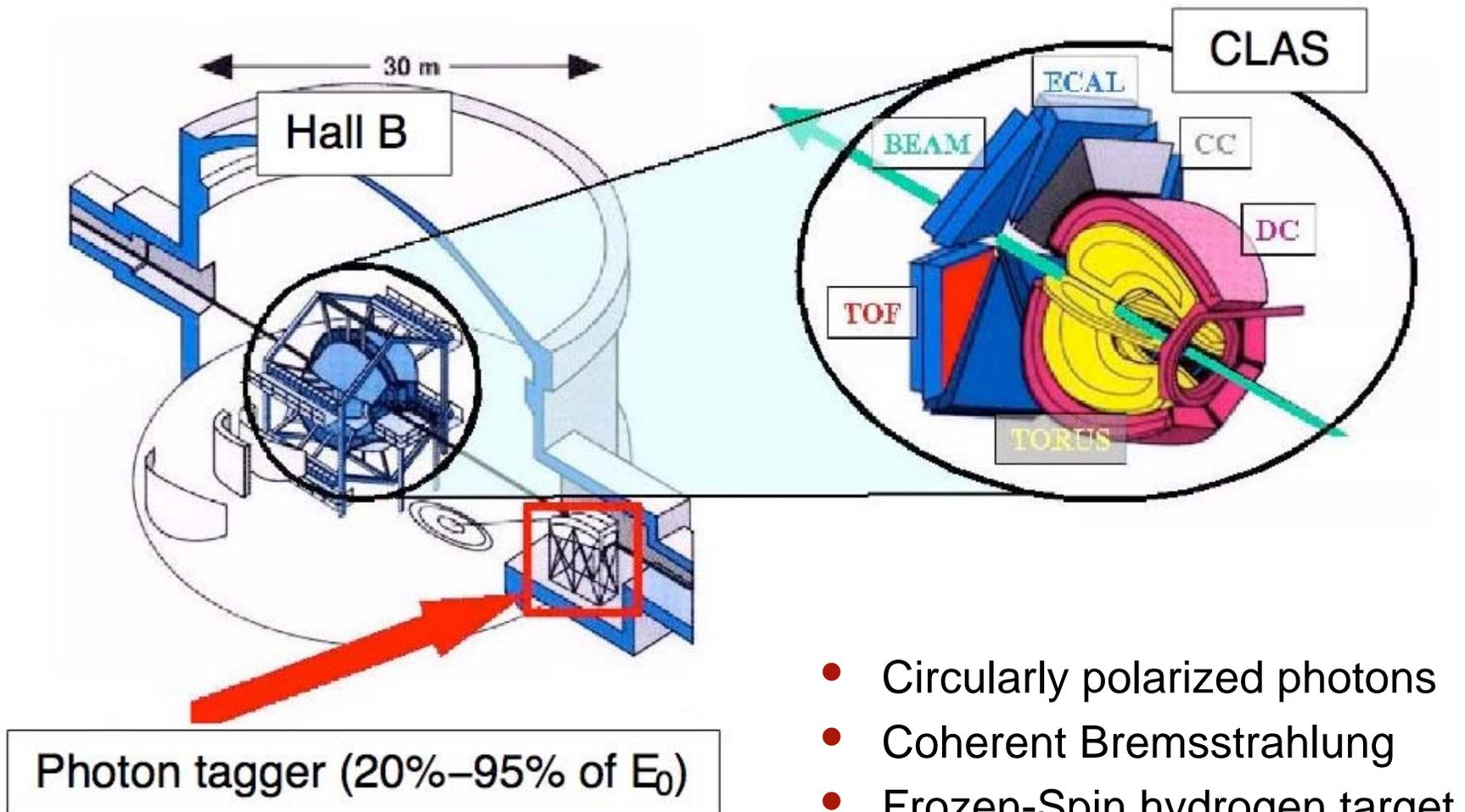


JLab in Newport News, VA

- Electron-beam accelerator
- Polarized electron beam
- Beam energies up to  $E_0 = 6 \text{ GeV}$
- Three experimental Halls A, B, and C

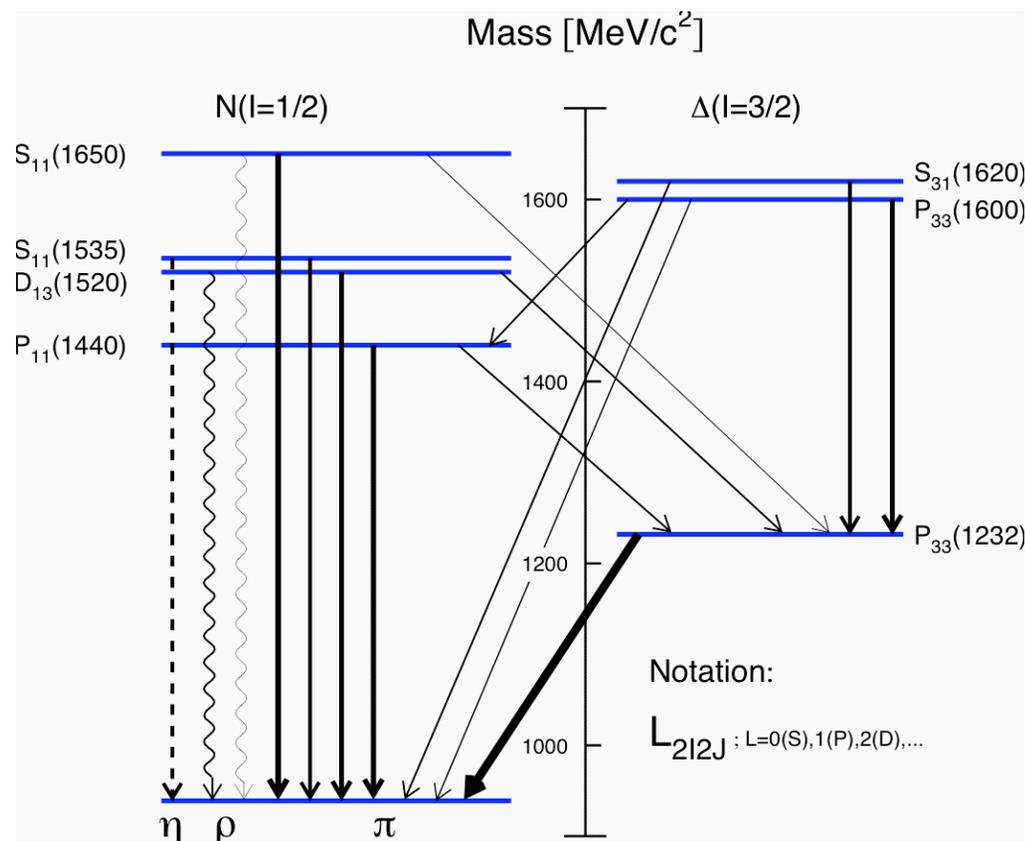


# The CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer





# Studying the Excited States of the Nucleon

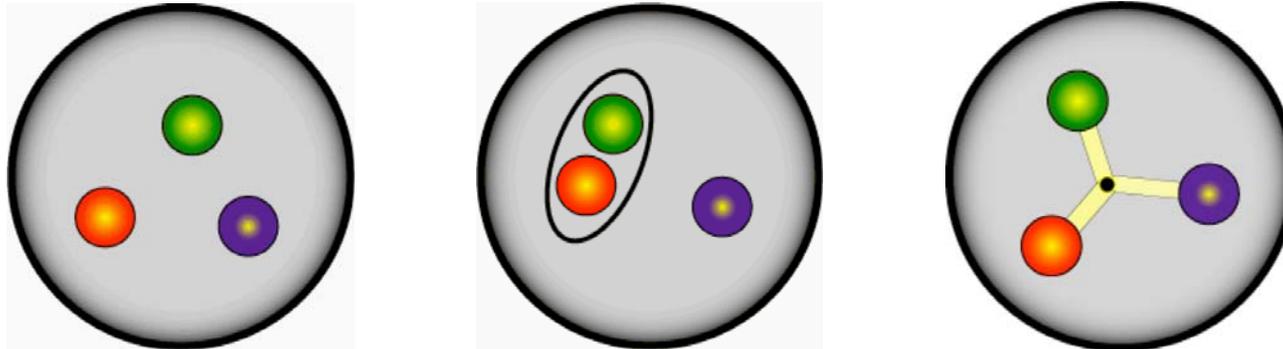


- The **location** and **properties** of excited states reflect the **dynamics** and **relevant degrees-of-freedom** within the nucleons.

Figure from: B. Krusche and S. Schadmand, Prog. Nucl. Phys. **51**, 399 (2003)



# Effective Degrees Of Freedom

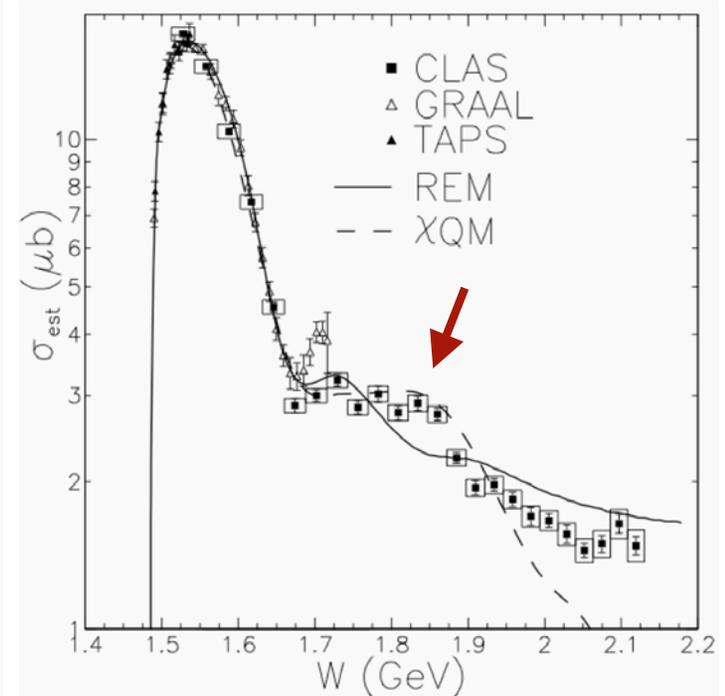
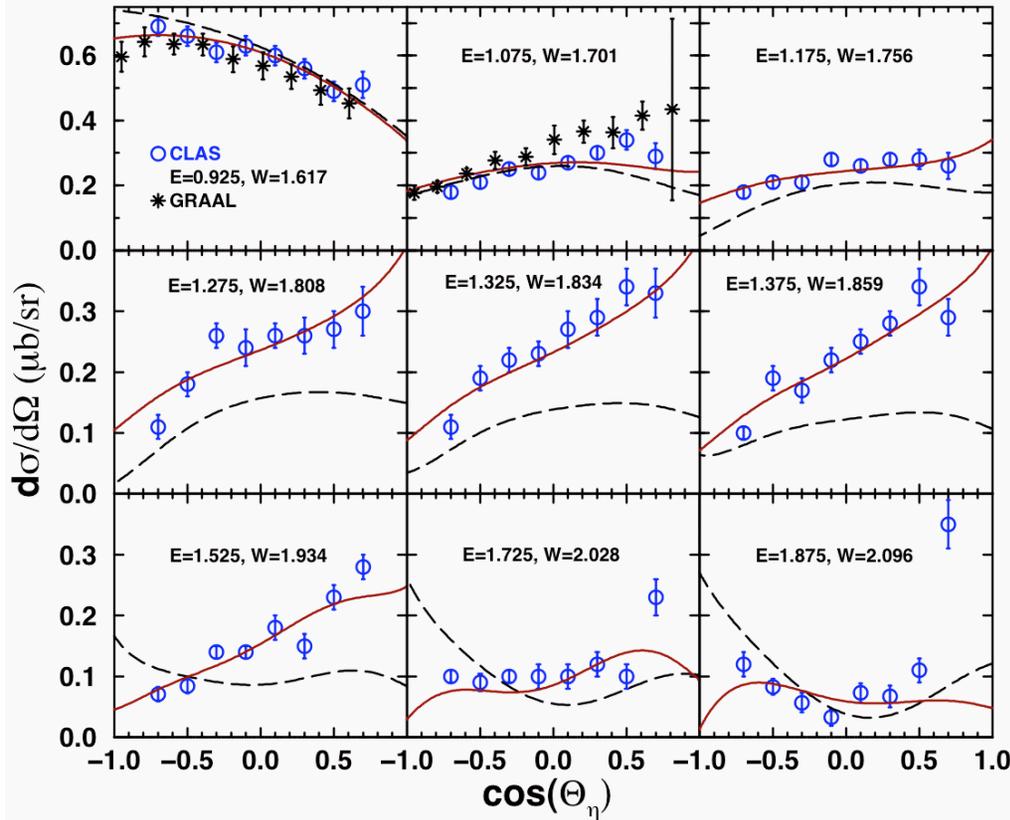


## Quark Models

- **Symmetric Constituent Quark Models** predict overabundance of excited states (“missing” resonance problem)
- **Quark-Diquark Models** predict fewer states
- **Quark and Flux-Tube Models** predict increased number of states



# $\gamma p \rightarrow \eta p$ : Cross Sections



- $\eta N$  final states can originate only from isospin  $I = 1/2$  systems (**isospin filter**)
- Chiral constituent quark formalism [Saghai]: Possible contribution from an **additional (3<sup>rd</sup>)  $S_{11}$  resonance** with  $M \approx 1.8$  GeV and  $\Gamma \approx 250$  MeV

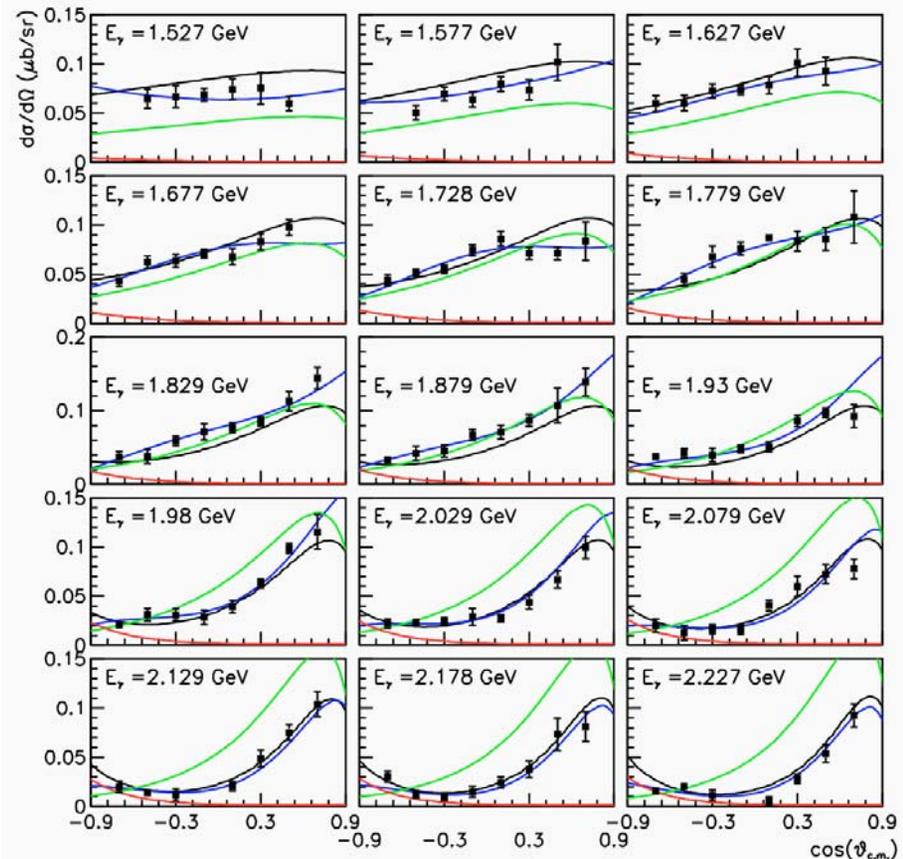
M. Dugger, B. G. Ritchie *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **89**, 222002 (2002)  
B. Saghai, Proc. of NSTAR 2004 Workshop; nucl-th/0408054



# $\gamma p \rightarrow \eta' p$ : Differential Cross Sections

- CLAS: first high quality data for the  $\gamma p \rightarrow \eta' p$  reaction
- Analysis of data suggests contributions from both the  $S_{11}(1535)$  and  $P_{11}(1710)$  nucleon resonances to the  $\eta' N$  channel in photoproduction.
- $\eta'$ -nucleon-nucleon coupling constant:

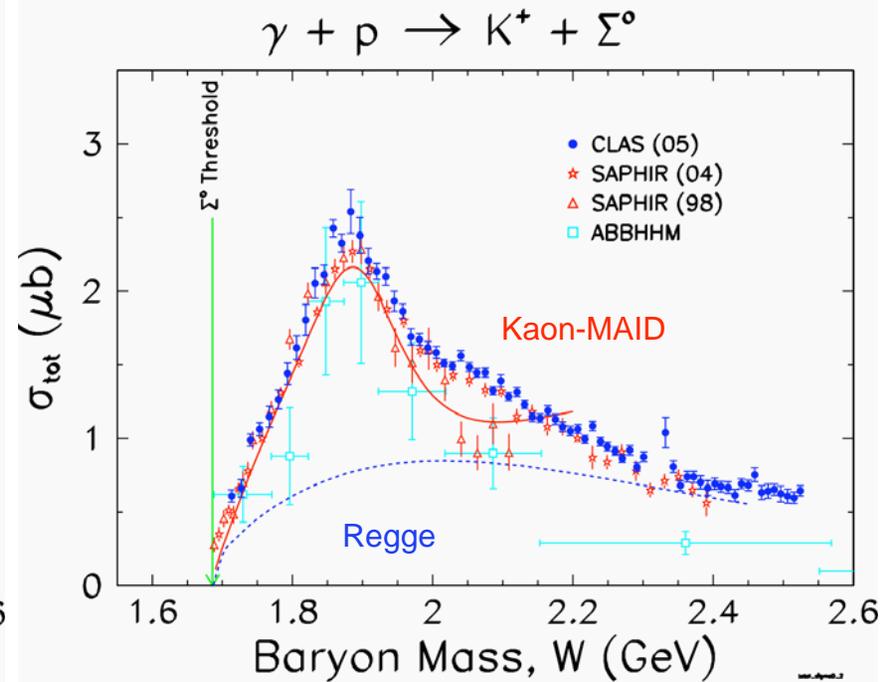
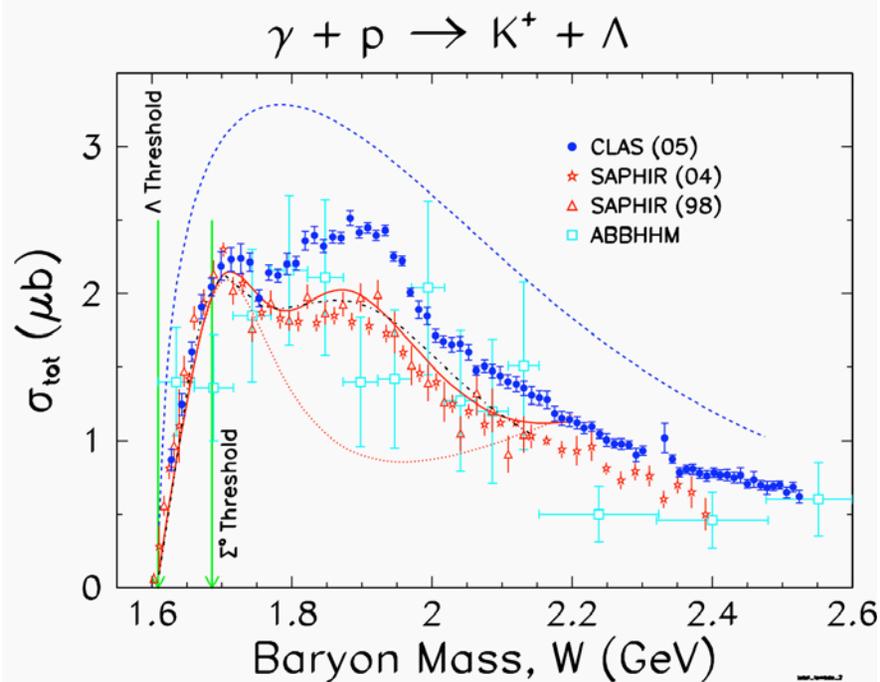
$$g_{\eta' NN} = 1.3 - 1.5$$



Nakayama & Haberzettl: u-channel, t-channel, full (s,u, & t)  
Sibirtsev: full



# $K^+\Lambda$ and $K^+\Sigma^0$ : Cross Sections



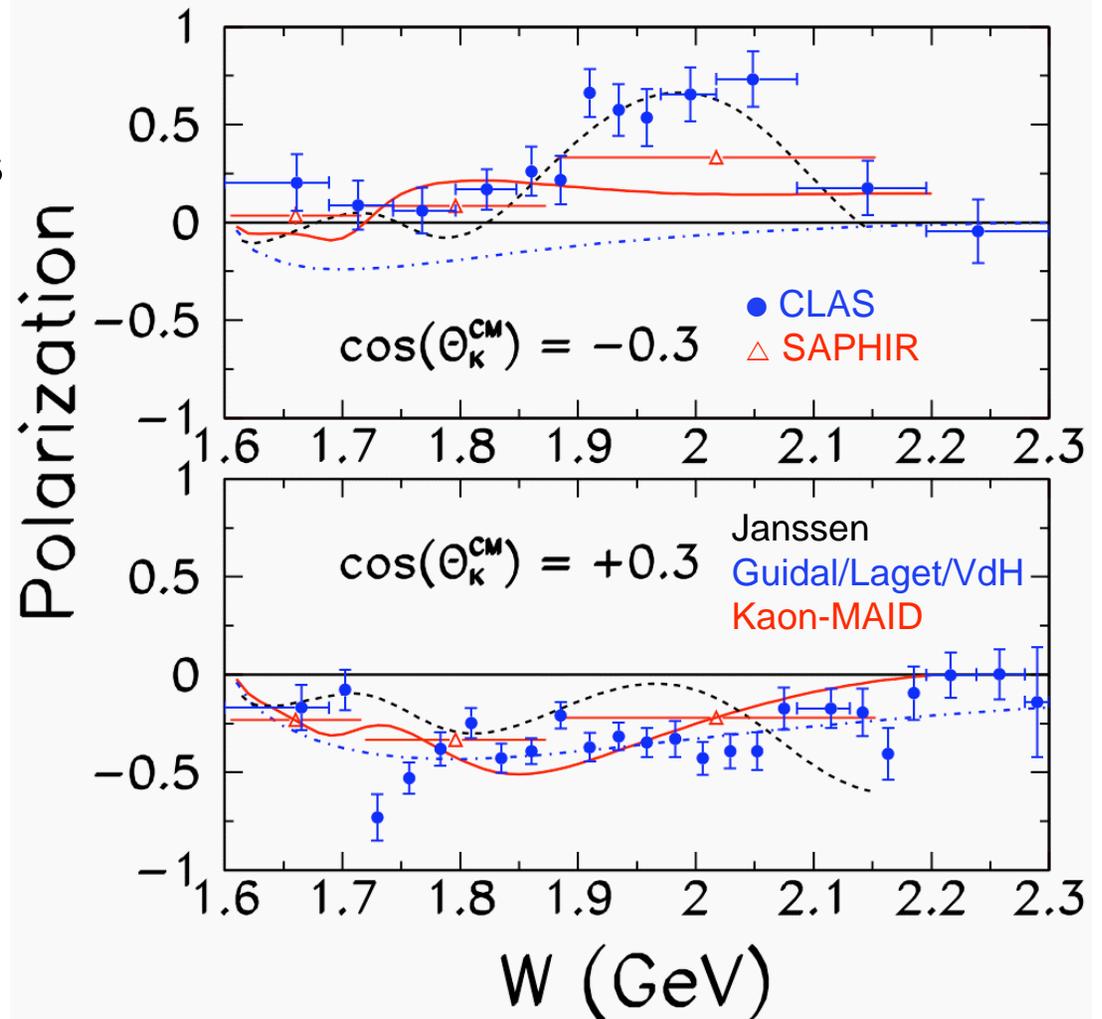
- Peak at  $W = 1.7$  GeV from  $P_{11}(1710)$  and  $P_{13}(1720)$
- Peak at  $W = 1.9$  GeV shifts with c.m. angle, **several resonant structures present**

- Peak at  $W = 1.88$  GeV consistent with the mass of several well-established  $\Delta$  resonances
- Shoulder at  $W = 2.05$  GeV



# $K^+\Lambda$ : Induced Recoil Polarization

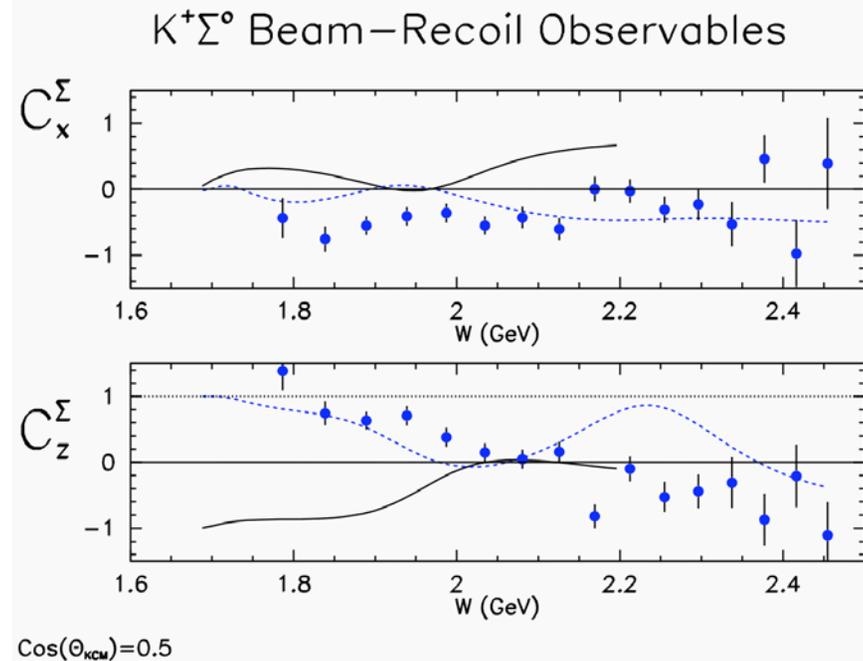
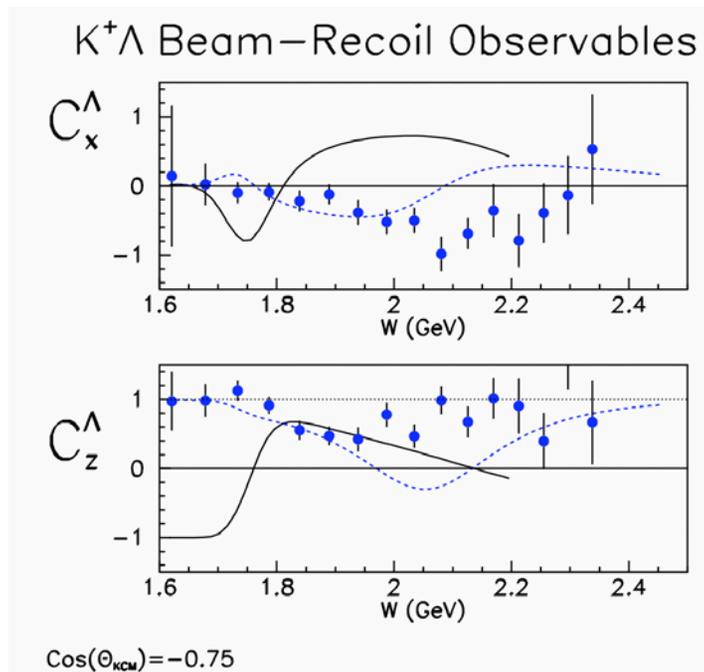
- Janssen *et al.* prediction:  $u$ -channel  $Y^*$  contributions added to  $D_{13}(1895)$   $s$ -channel component.
- $P_y$  sensitive to interference between resonances and background





# $K^+\Lambda$ and $K^+\Sigma^0$ : Beam-Recoil Observables

- Nine bins in  $\cos(\Theta_{K,cm})$  for  $K^+\Lambda$  and six bins for  $K^+\Sigma^0$ ; Examples:



- $\Lambda$  nearly maximally polarized along the direction of incident photon's polarization for forward-going kaons (not shown)
- Isobar models: Kaon MAID (—), Janssen (...)

R. Bradford and R. A. Schumacher, Proc. of NSTAR 2005 Workshop, nucl-ex/0602004;  
R. A. Schumacher, Proc. of HYP 2006, nucl-ex/0611035.



# Bonn Partial Wave Analysis

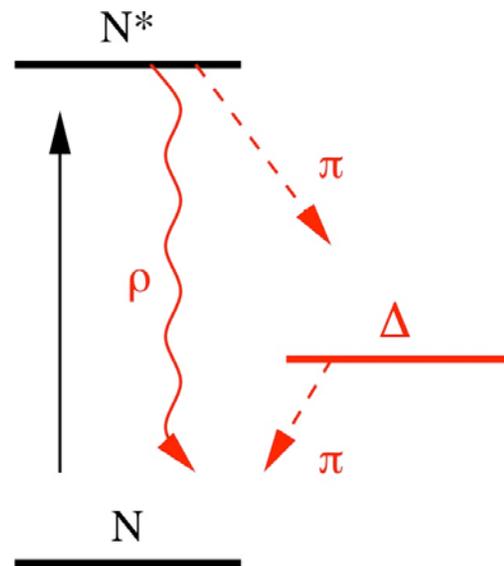
- Combined analysis of  $\sigma$ ,  $\Sigma$ , and  $P_y$  for  $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+\Lambda$ ,  $K^+\Sigma^0$ , and  $K^0\Sigma^+$  from CLAS, SAPHIR, and LEPS and  $\pi$  and  $\eta$  photoproduction data; energy range: 1.6 GeV to 2.3 GeV
- Evidence for **new baryon resonances**:
  - new  $P_{11}$  state at 1840 MeV with  $\Gamma = 140$  MeV
  - two  $D_{13}$  states at 1870 MeV and 2170 MeV
- $S_{11}$  two lowest mass states observed, no need for additional  $S_{11}$  states

V. Sarantsev *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. A **25**, 441 (2005);  
other PWA, e.g., from SAID: R.A. Arndt *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **74**, 045205 (2006).



# Double-Pion Photoproduction: $\gamma N \rightarrow \pi\pi N$

- Dominant nucleon-resonance decay channels above  $W = 1.6$  GeV with  $\pi\pi N$  final states



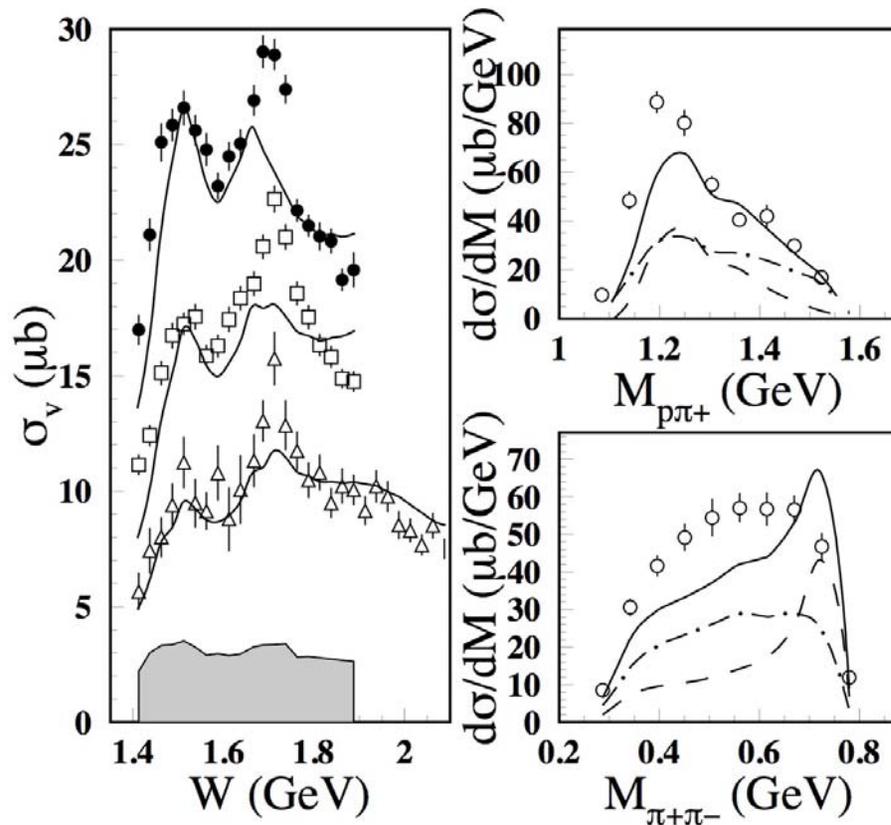
$$N^* \rightarrow \rho N \rightarrow \pi\pi N$$

$$N^* \rightarrow \pi\Delta \rightarrow \pi\pi N$$

- Many “missing” states are predicted to couple strongly to the  $\pi\pi N$  channels



# CLAS Measurement of $ep \rightarrow e' \pi^+ \pi^- p$



$$0.5 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2 < Q^2 < 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2$$

- Comparison of data and phenomenological predictions using available information on  $N^*$  and  $\Delta$  states shows discrepancy.
- Hints for new  $3/2^+(1720)$  baryon state from CLAS real- and virtual-photon cross-section data



# Polarization Observables for Two-Pion Production off the Nucleon

- Eight transversity **amplitudes** for the  $\gamma N \rightarrow \pi\pi N$
- **Unpolarized cross section**

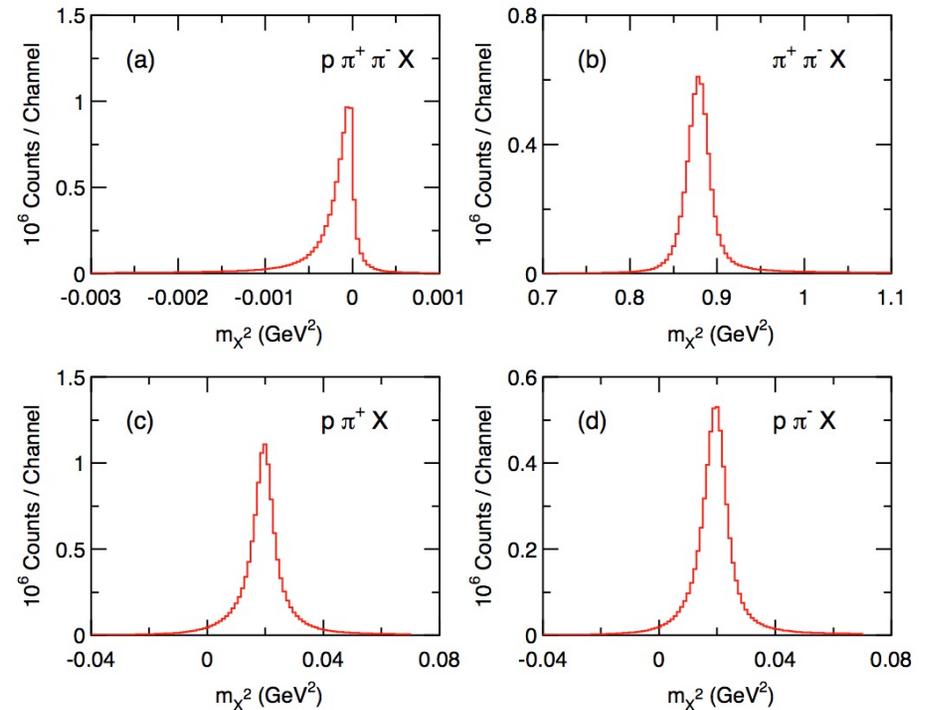
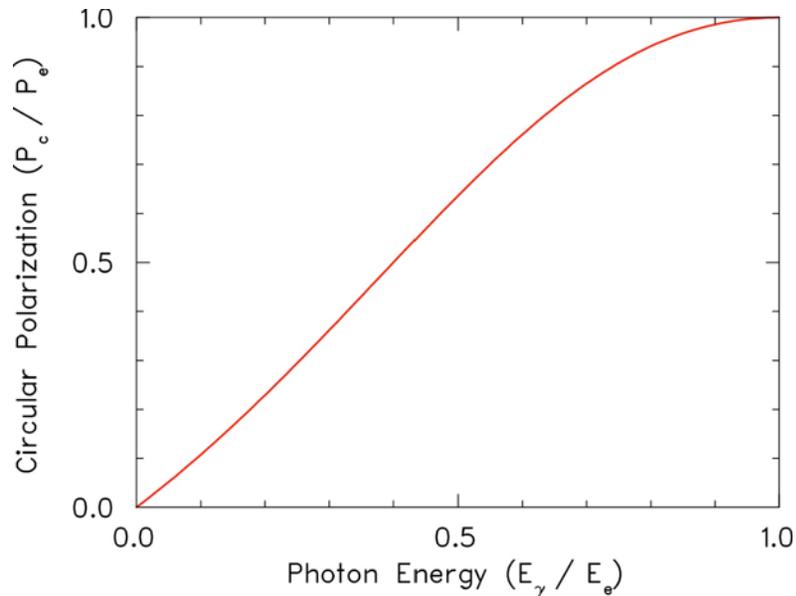
$$I_0 = \sum_{i=1,4} |b_i^+|^2 + \sum_{i=1,4} |b_i^-|^2$$

- Polarization observables allow extraction of more information, including phases.
- Complete set requires additional single-, double- and triple- polarization observables
- Photon **polarization asymmetry**

$$I_0 I^{\otimes} = \sum_{i=1,4} |b_i^+|^2 - \sum_{i=1,4} |b_i^-|^2$$



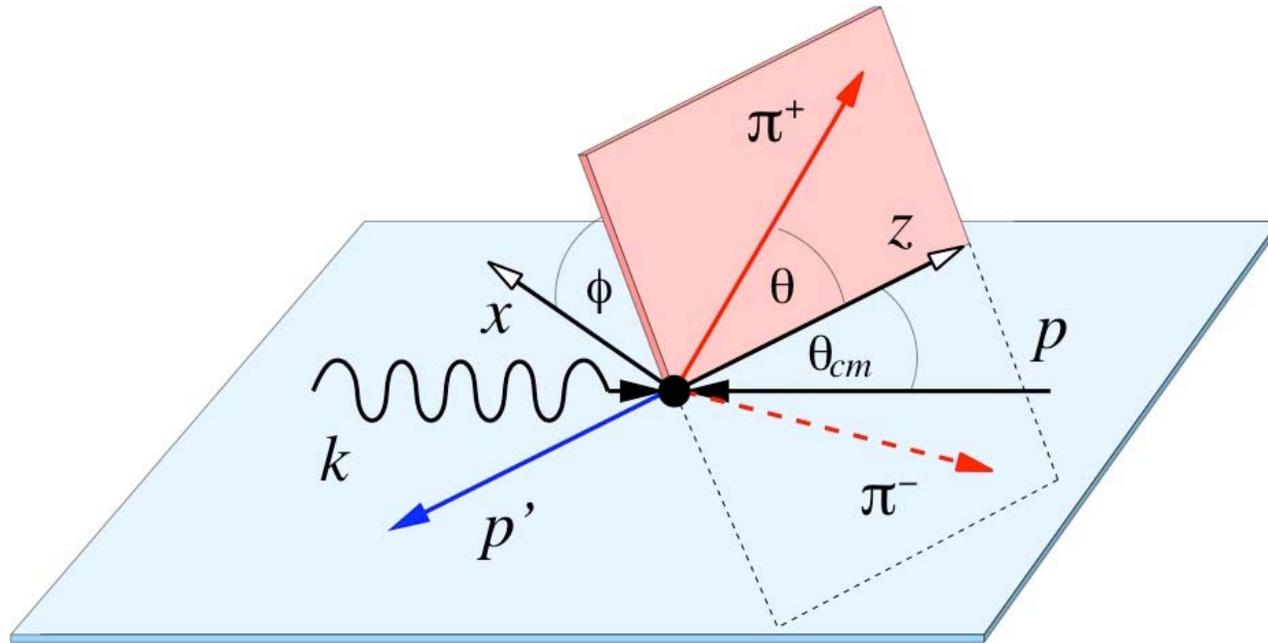
# CLAS $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- p$ Experiment



- Circularly polarized photon,  $E_\lambda = 0.5 \text{ GeV} - 2.4 \text{ GeV}$
- Channel identification by missing mass
- $3 \times 10^7$  events with  $W = 1.35 \text{ GeV} - 2.35 \text{ GeV}$



# Experimental Beam-Helicity Asymmetry



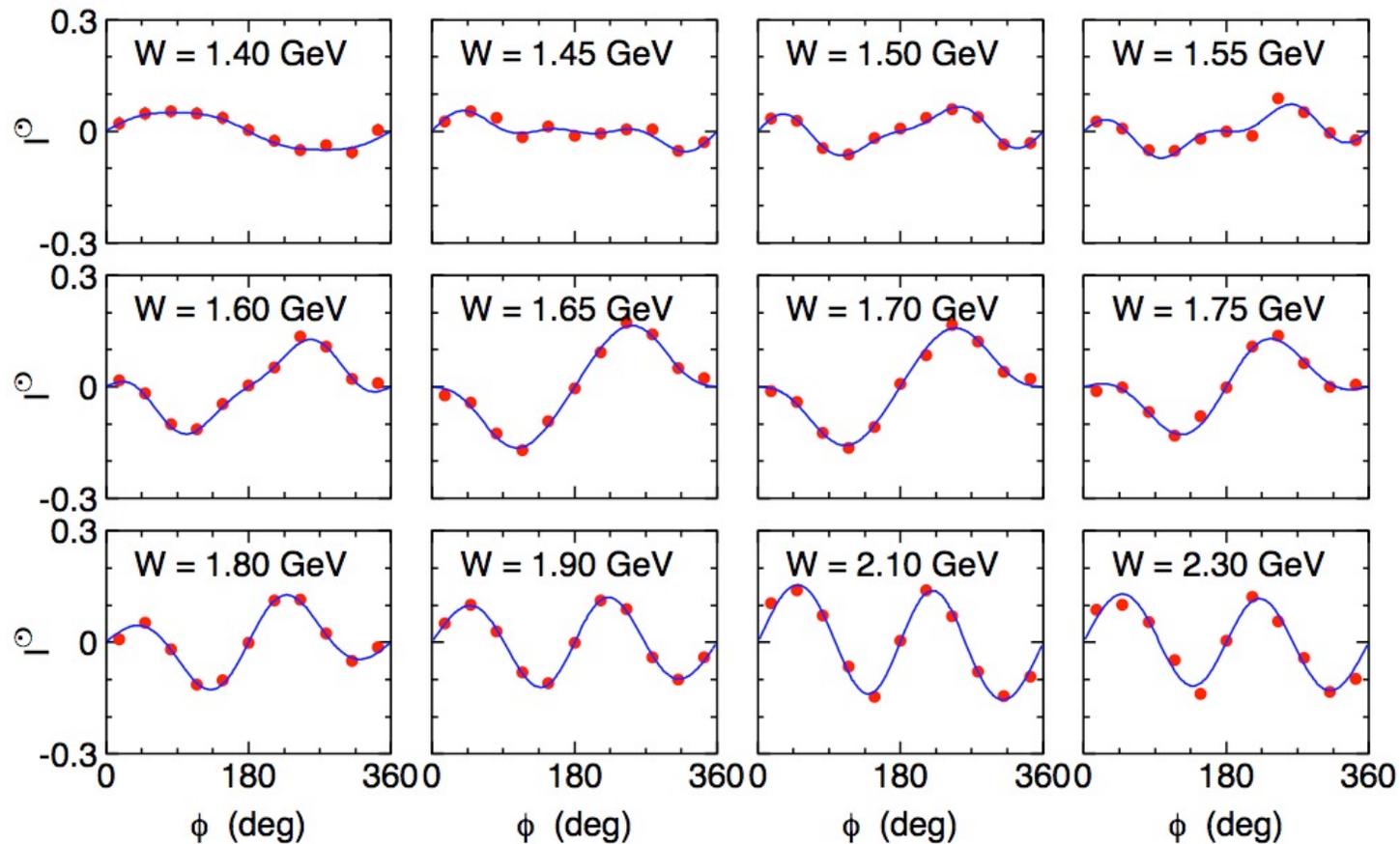
- Asymmetry and Fourier Decomposition

$$I^{\otimes}(\phi) = \frac{1}{P} \frac{N(\lambda = +) - N(\lambda = -)}{N(\lambda = +) + N(\lambda = -)} \approx \sum a_k \sin k\phi$$

- $3 \times 10^7$  events with  $W = 1.35$  to  $2.35$  GeV



# Beam-Helicity Asymmetries



- $I^{\otimes}$  observable is odd under  $\phi$  transformation (parity conservation)

$$I^{\otimes}(\phi) = -I^{\otimes}(2\pi - \phi), \quad I^{\otimes}(0) = I^{\otimes}(\pi) = 0$$



# Phenomenological Models

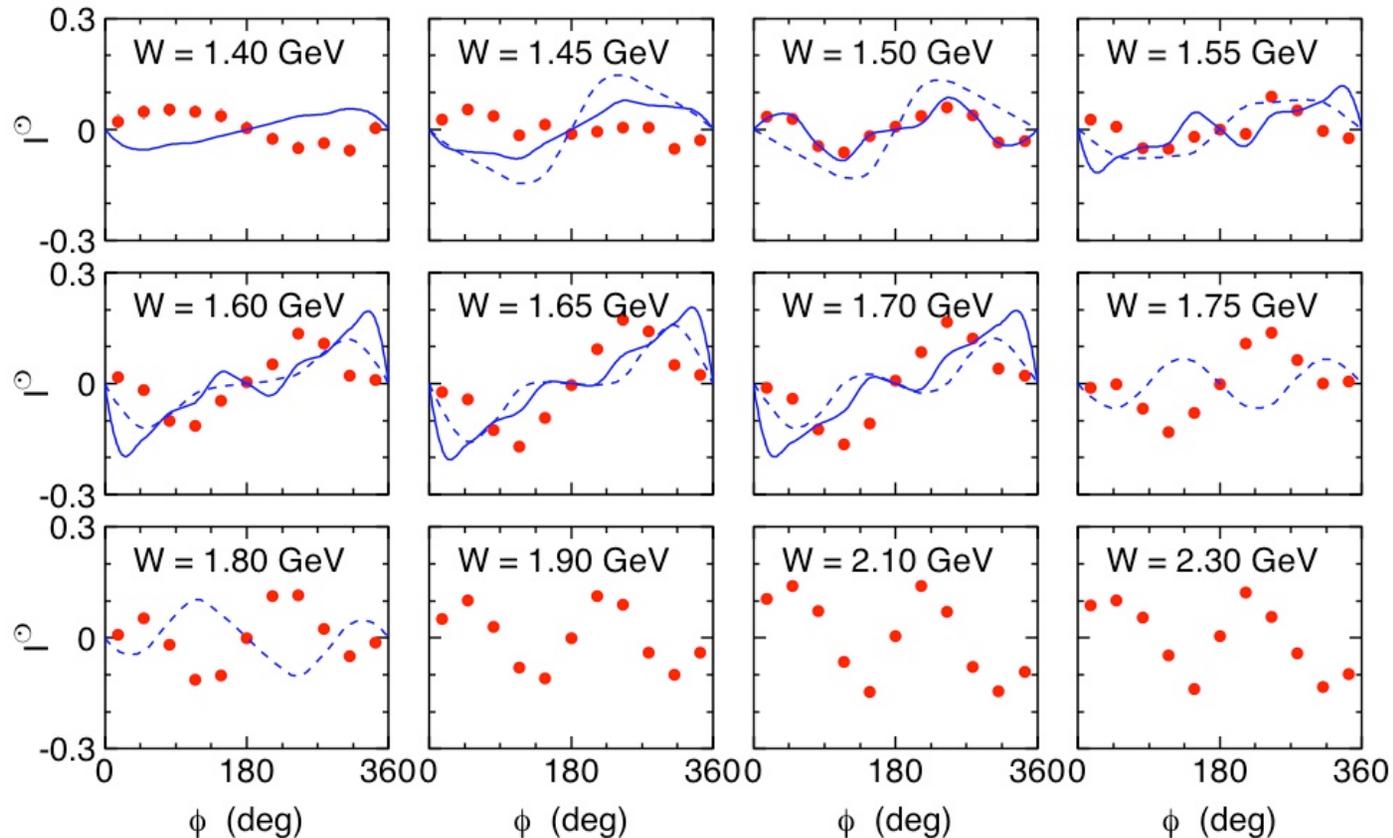
- **Groups:**
  - W. Roberts and T. Oed, V. Mokeev, L. Roca, and A. Fix and H. Arenhövel
- Models constructed according to the same scheme — **effective Lagrangian densities**
- **Parameters for resonant and background mechanisms** taken from experiments or treated as free parameters
- **Differences**
  - Wide variations in the corresponding **coupling constants** allowed by the Particle-Data Group listing
  - Treatment of the **background**, which appears to be very complicated in the effective Lagrangian approach for double-pion photoproduction

W. Roberts and T. Oed, Phys. Rev. C **71**, 055201 (2005); V.I. Mokeev *et al.*, Yad. Fiz. **64**, 1368 (2001); [Phys. At. Nucl. **64**, 1292 (2001)]; L. Roca, Nucl. Phys. A **748**, 192 (2005); A. Fix and H. Arenhövel, Eur. Phys. J. A **25**, 115 (2005)



# Model Calculations

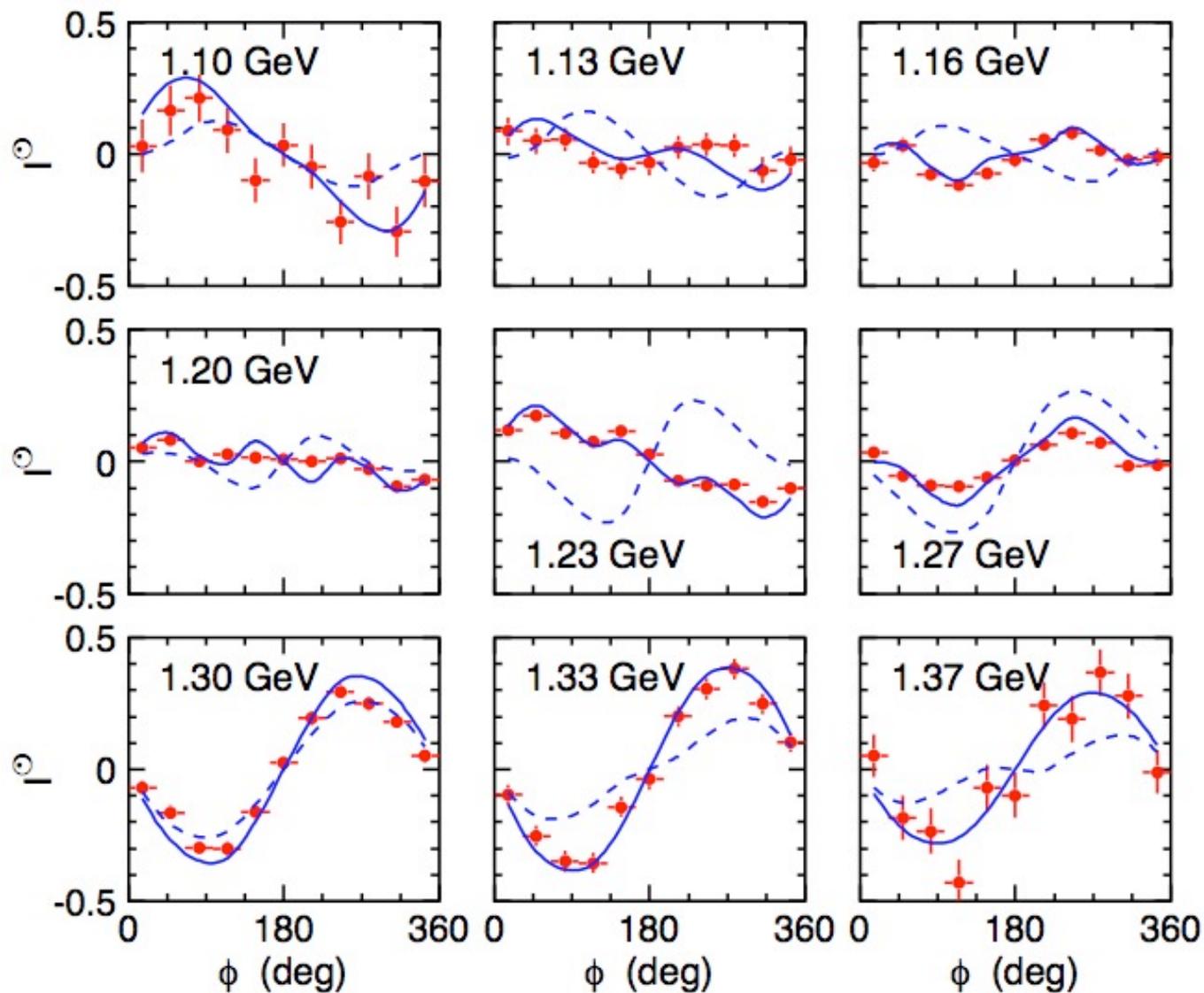
Calculations from [Mokeep](#) (dashed) and [Fix](#) (solid)



- Model predictions agree remarkably well for certain conditions, for other conditions they are much worse and out of phase entirely.

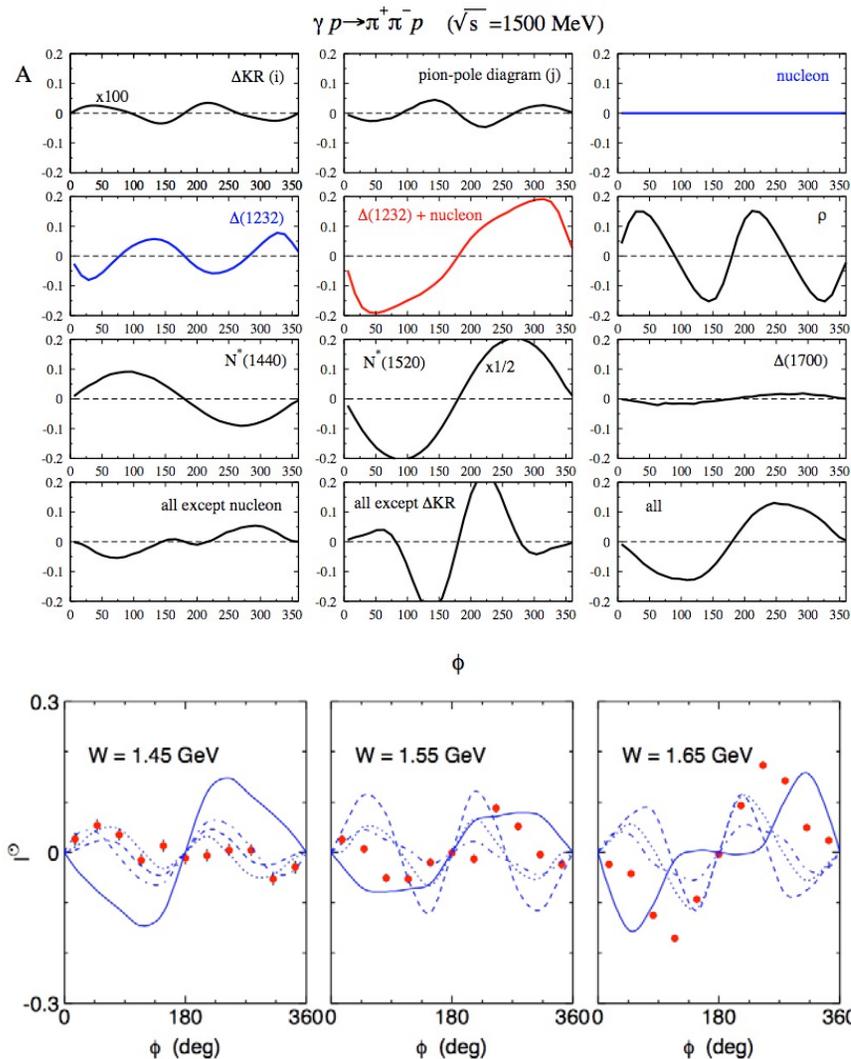


## $M(\rho\pi^+)$ Distribution at $W = 1.5$ GeV





# Crucial Role of Interferences



- Intermediate-nucleon mechanisms and  $\Delta(1232)$  mechanisms, and **interference** of both.

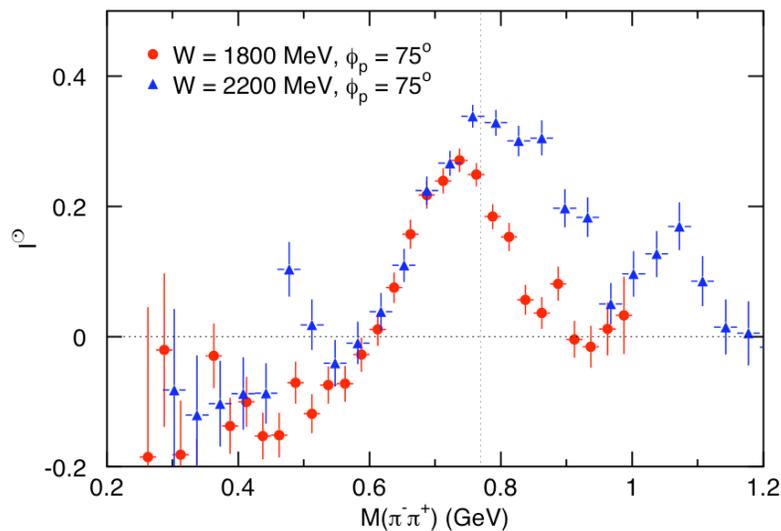
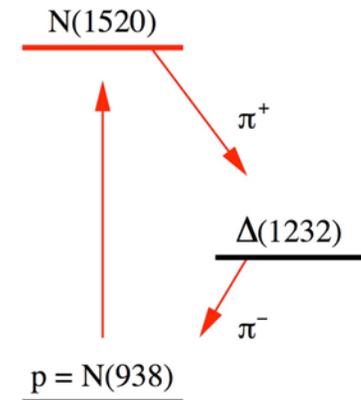
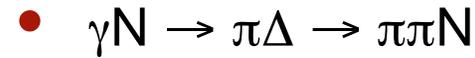
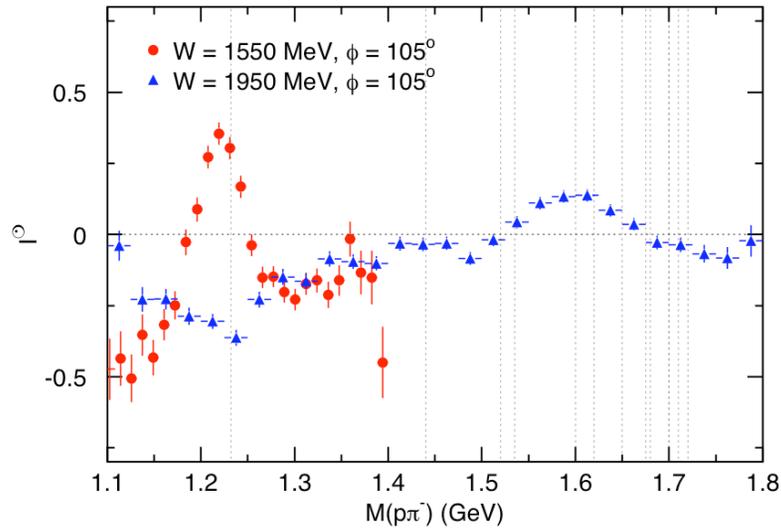
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- Calculations with **relative phases** of  $0^\circ$ ,  $90^\circ$ ,  $180^\circ$ , and  $270^\circ$  between the **background-** and  **$\pi\Delta$  sub-channel** amplitudes

V. Moiseev, private communication



# Sequential Decay



- Helicity asymmetries allow detailed study of the  $\gamma N \rightarrow \pi\pi N$  reaction (e.g., **sequential decay**)



# CLAS Polarized-Target Program

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E01-104 Helicity Structure of **Pion Photoproduction**

$$\vec{\gamma}p \rightarrow \pi^0 p, \vec{\gamma}p \rightarrow \pi^+ n$$

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E02-112 Search for Missing Nucleon Resonances in  
**Hyperon Photoproduction**

$$\vec{\gamma}p \rightarrow K\Lambda, \vec{\gamma}p \rightarrow K\Sigma$$

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E03-105 **Pion Photoproduction** from a Polarized Target

$$\vec{\gamma}p \rightarrow \pi^0 p, \vec{\gamma}p \rightarrow \pi^+ n$$

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E05-012 Measurement of Polarization Observables in  
 **$\eta$  Photoproduction** with CLAS

$$\vec{\gamma}p \rightarrow \eta p$$

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E06-013 Measurement of  **$\pi^+\pi^-$  Photoproduction** in Double-  
Polarization Experiments using CLAS

$$\vec{\gamma}p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- p$$

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# FROST Single-Pion Photoproduction

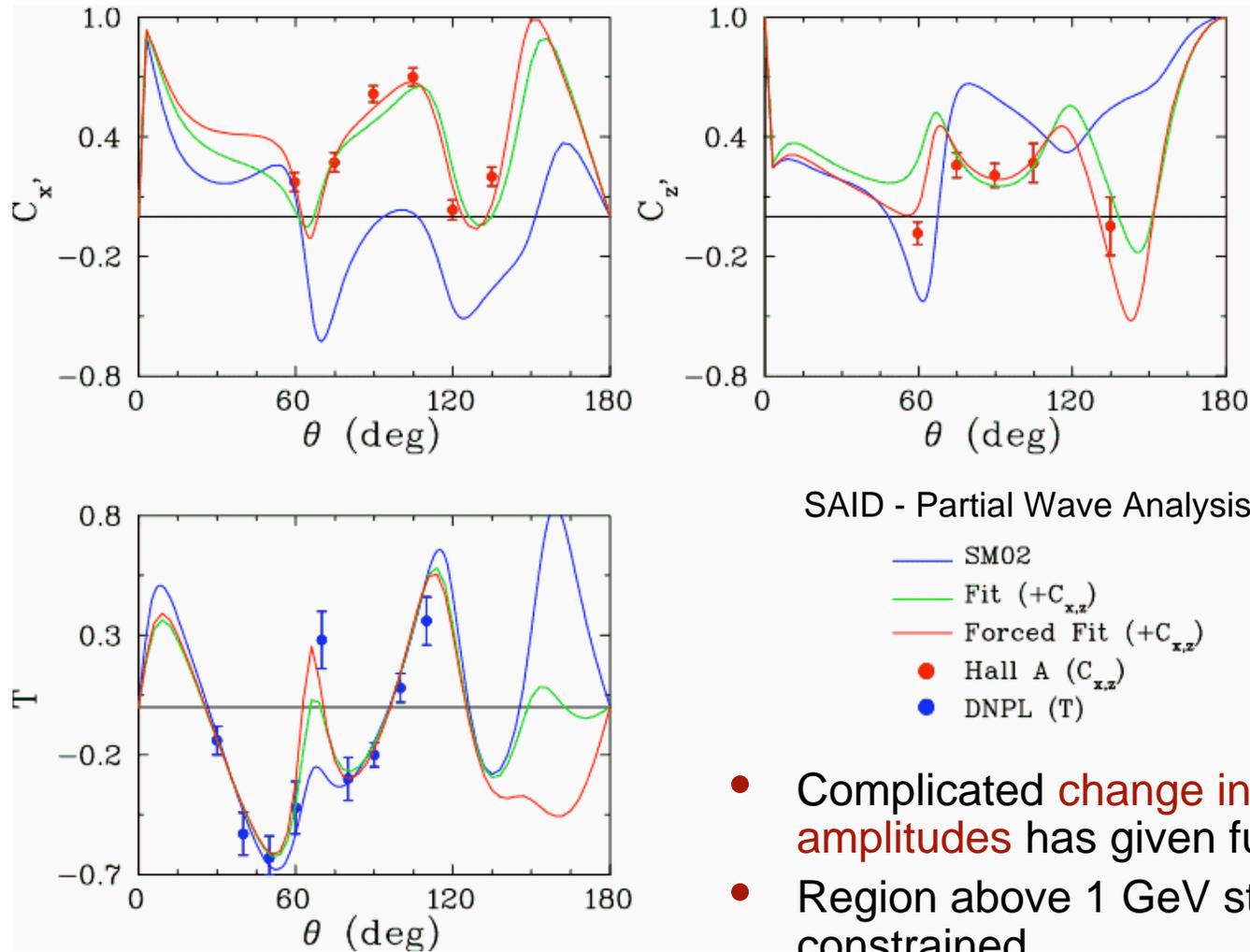
- **Constrain partial-wave analyses** and reduce model-dependent uncertainties in the **extraction of nucleon resonance properties**

| Setting | Polarization |              | $E_\lambda$ (GeV) | Observable |
|---------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
|         | Beam         | Target       |                   |            |
| A       | circular     | longitudinal | 0.6 - 2.0         | $E$        |
| B       | linear       | longitudinal | 0.4 - 2.0         | $G$        |
| C       | circular     | transverse   | 0.6 - 2.0         | $F, T$     |
| D       | linear       | transverse   | 0.4 - 2.0         | $H, P, T$  |

- Four independent complex amplitudes ( $\gamma N \rightarrow \pi N$ )
- $\theta_{\text{cm}} = 15^\circ - 155^\circ$ ;  $\Delta E_\lambda \leq 50$  MeV,  $\Delta \theta_{\text{cm}} = 10^\circ$
- More than 5000 data points with one detector system; improvements: **single-pol. obs.** 2x, **double-pol. obs.** 8x



# $C_x$ , and $C_z$ , in $p(\vec{\gamma}, \vec{p})\pi^0$ at $E_\lambda = 1900$ MeV

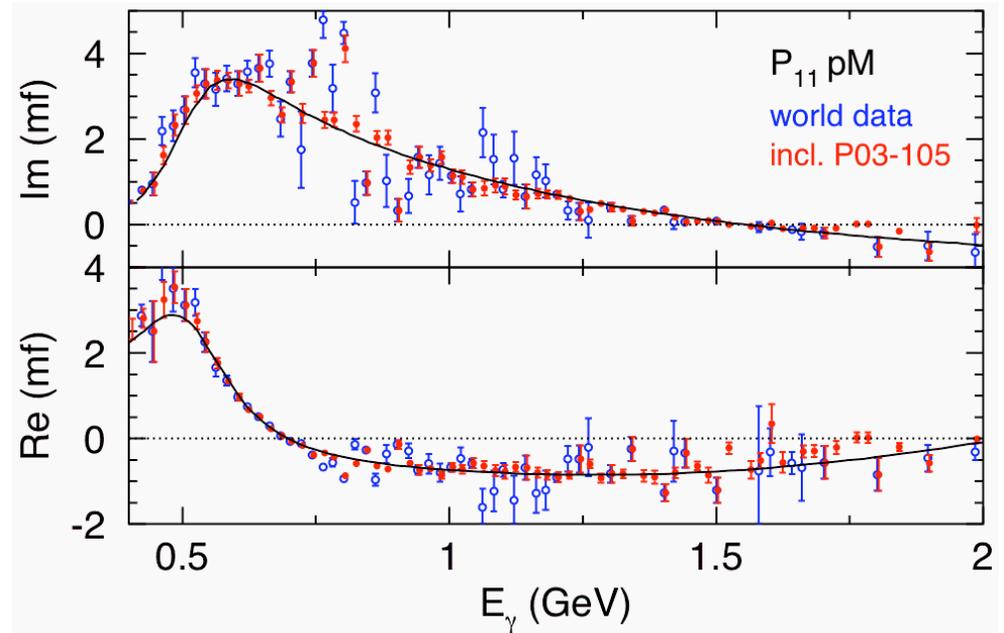
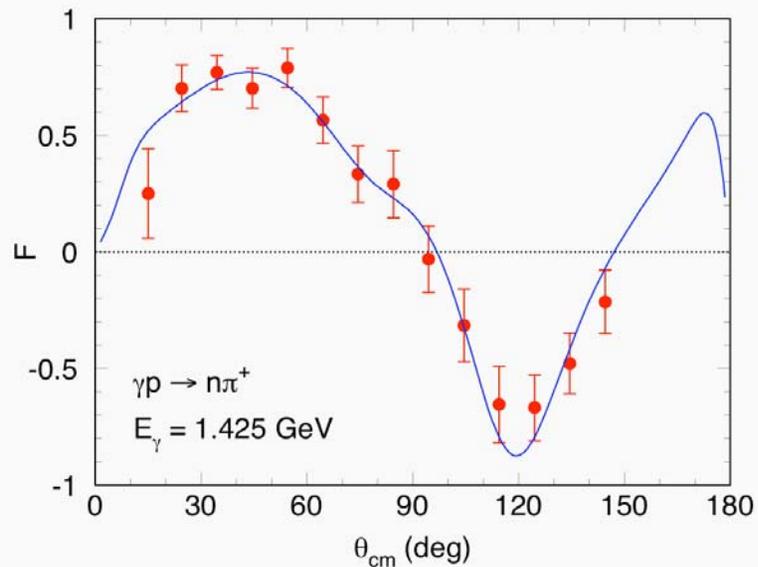


- Complicated **change in several amplitudes** has given full result
- Region above 1 GeV still under-constrained



# SAID Single-Energy Solutions

- Examples: Polarization data and multipole amplitudes (simulated data)



- Reduction of **uncertainties** in single-energy solutions
- Increase of the **number** of single-energy solutions



# FROST Double-Pion Photoproduction

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_f I = & I_0 \left\{ \left( 1 + \vec{\Lambda}_i \cdot \vec{P} + \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{P}' + \Lambda_i^\alpha \sigma^{\beta'} \mathcal{O}_{\alpha\beta'} \right) \right. \\ & + \delta_\odot \left( I^\odot + \vec{\Lambda}_i \cdot \vec{P}^\odot + \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{P}^{\odot'} + \Lambda_i^\alpha \sigma^{\beta'} \mathcal{O}_{\alpha\beta'}^\odot \right) \\ & + \delta_\ell \left[ \sin 2\beta \left( I^s + \vec{\Lambda}_i \cdot \vec{P}^s + \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{P}^{s'} + \Lambda_i^\alpha \sigma^{\beta'} \mathcal{O}_{\alpha\beta'}^s \right) \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \cos 2\beta \left( I^c + \vec{\Lambda}_i \cdot \vec{P}^c + \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{P}^{c'} + \Lambda_i^\alpha \sigma^{\beta'} \mathcal{O}_{\alpha\beta'}^c \right) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

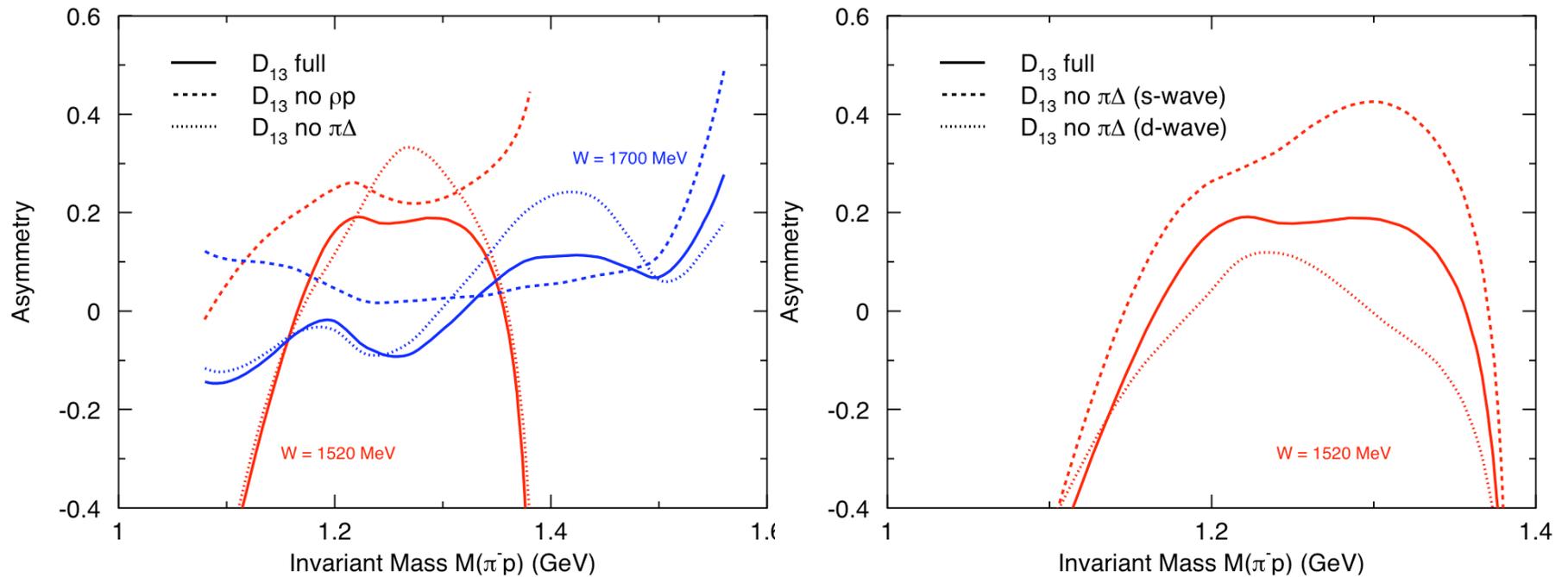
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- Known:  $I_0$ ,  $P_z^\otimes$  (GDH sum rule); new from CLAS:  $I^\otimes$
- Polarized beam-target experiments with frozen-spin target at CLAS will make available:  $P_x^\otimes, P_y^\otimes, P_z^\otimes, I^s, P_x^s, P_y^s, P_z^s, I^c, P_x^c, P_y^c, P_z^c$



# Predictions for $P_z^\otimes$

Model of A. Fix and H. Arenhövel



- Example of possible studies:  $D_{13}(1520)$  decay modes



# Summary

- CLAS meson photoproduction data:

$$\gamma p \rightarrow \eta p, \eta' p, K^+ \Lambda, K^+ \Sigma^0, K^0 \Sigma^+, \pi^+ \pi^- p$$

- New Resonances?

- third  $S_{11}$  state with  $m \approx 1800$  MeV and  $\Gamma = 250$  MeV seen in  $\eta N$  ( $\chi$ QM); not seen in Bonn-PWA
- new  $P_{11}$  state,  $m = 1840$  MeV and  $\Gamma = 140$  MeV (PWA)
- two  $D_{13}$  states at 1870 MeV and 2170 MeV (PWA)

- Differential cross sections do not provide sufficient constraints for models; **spin observables are essential** to resolve these issues:

⇒ helicity asymmetry in  $\pi^+ \pi^- p$ , FROST