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Recent results from the WASA-at-COSY experiment

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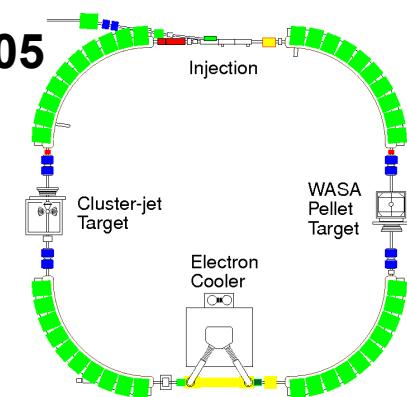
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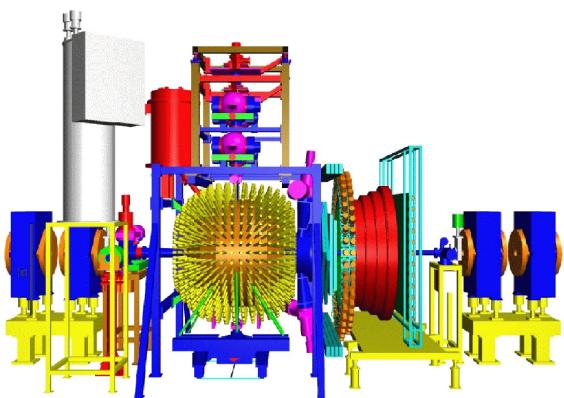
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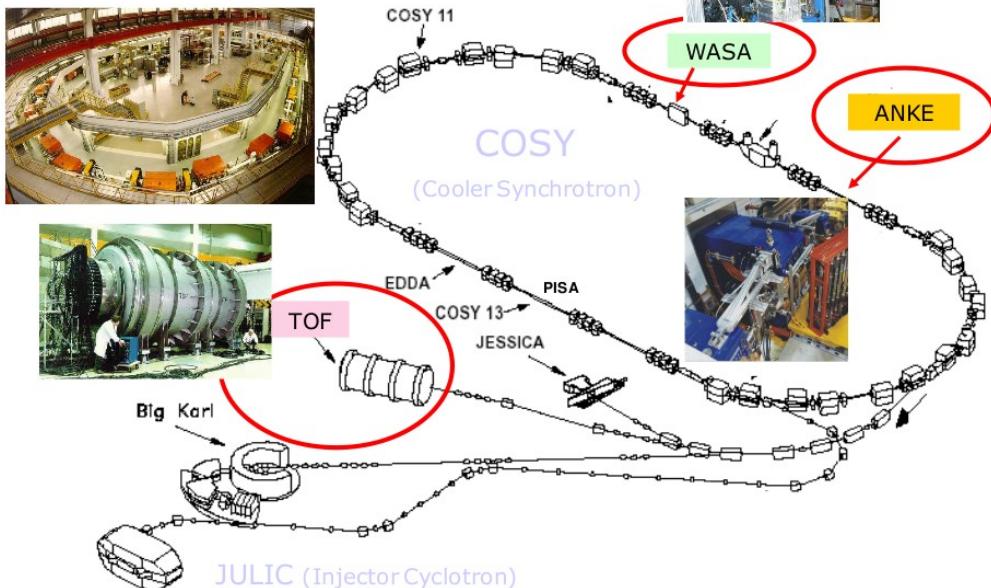
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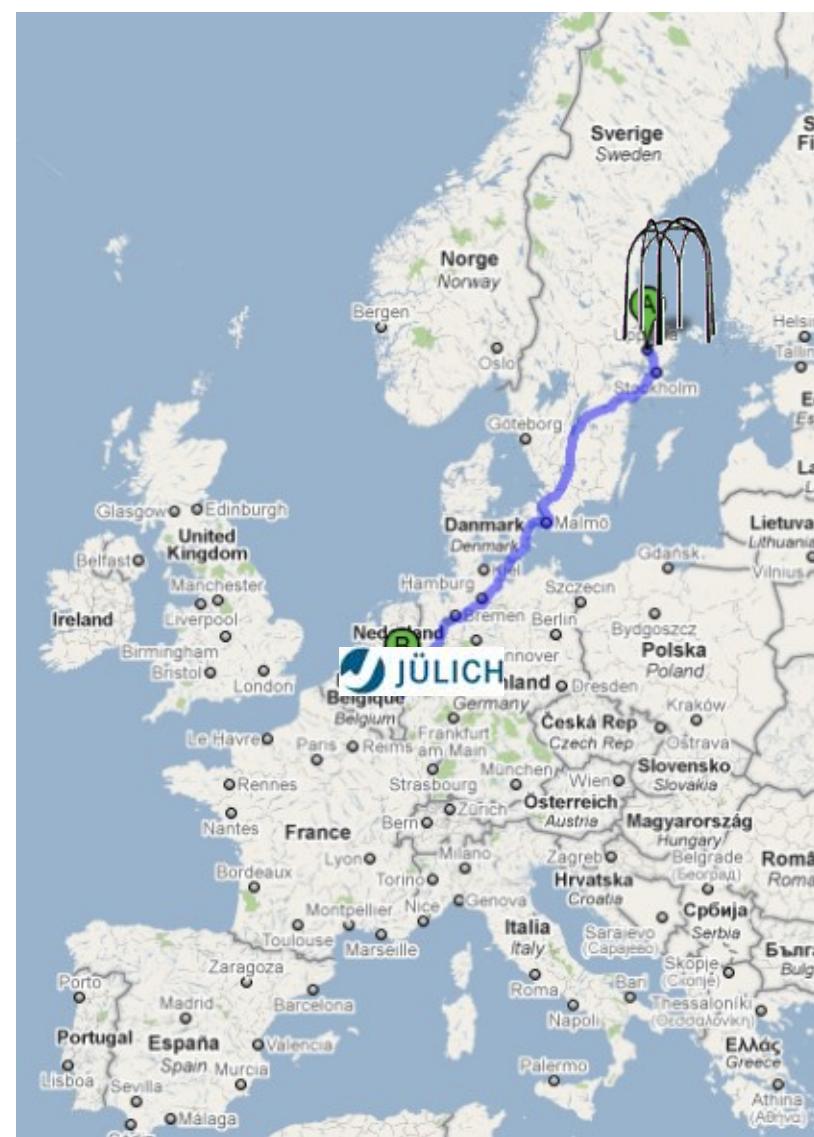
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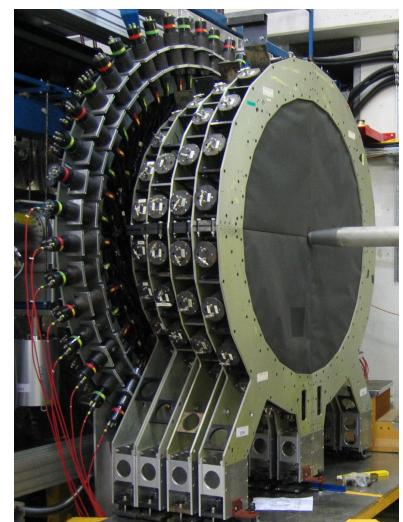
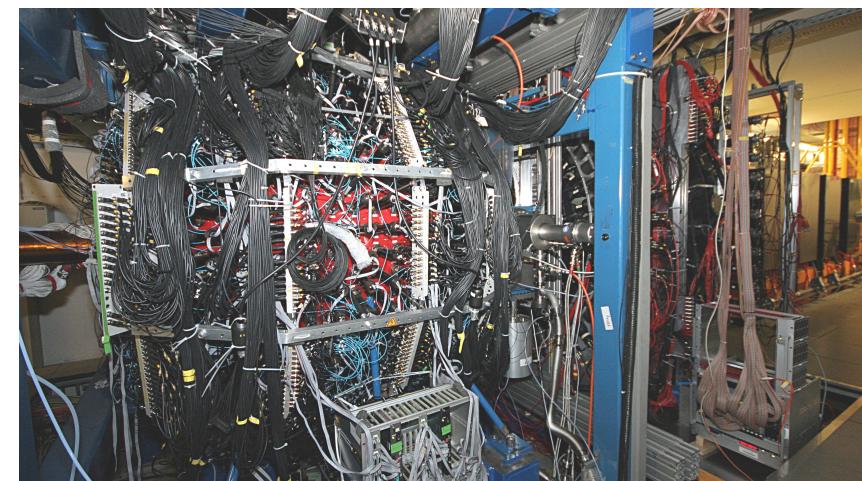
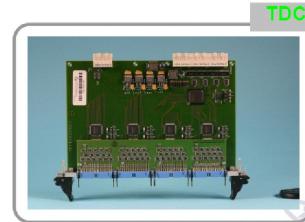
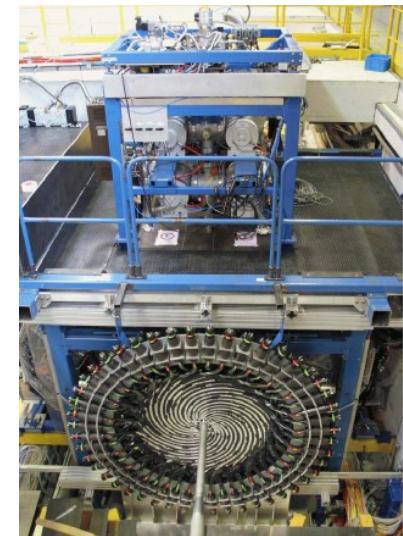
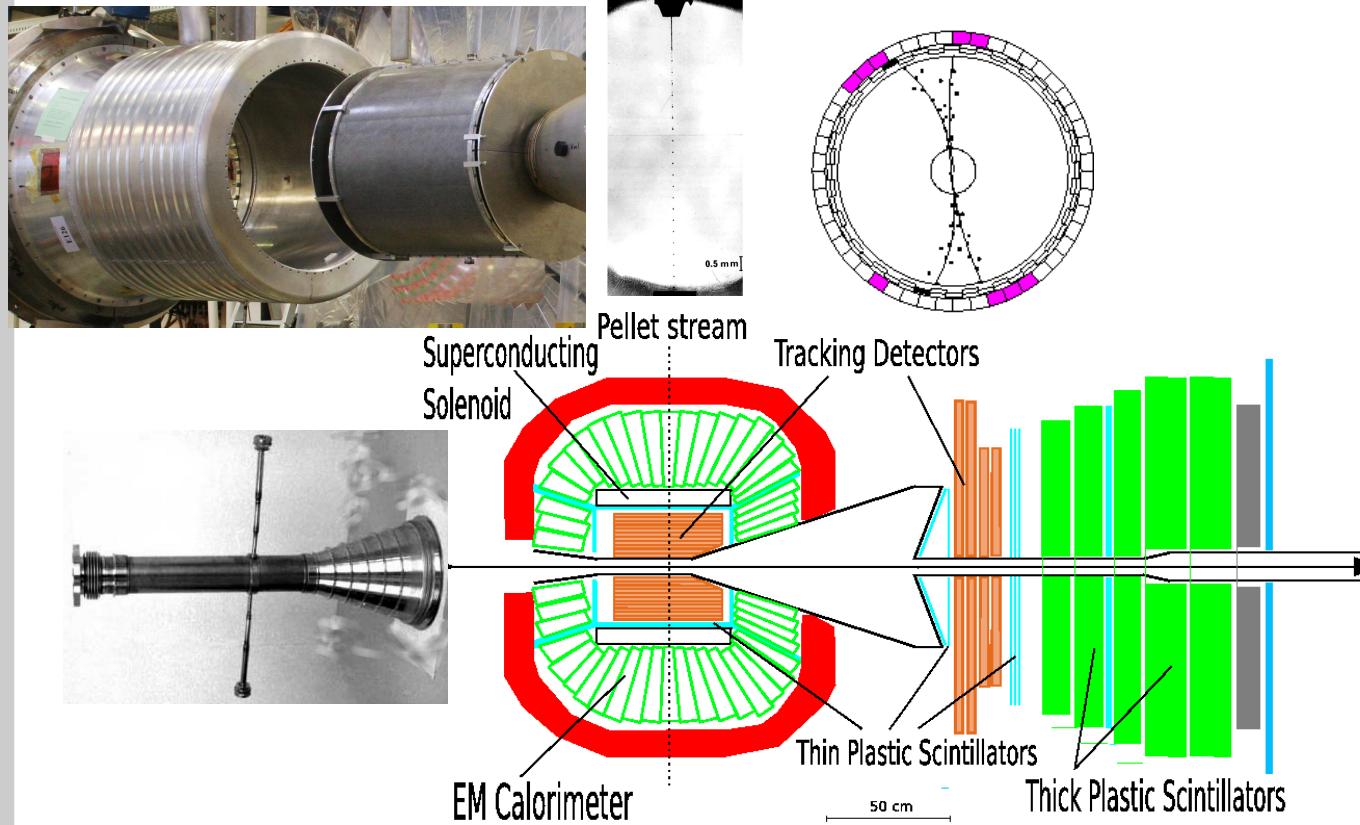




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WASA detector



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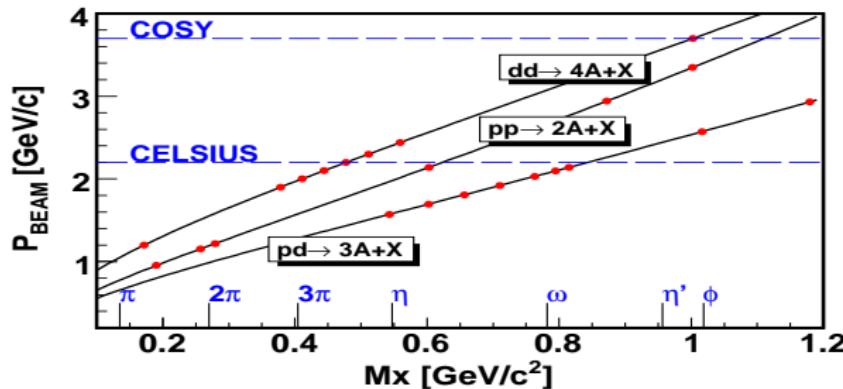
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Experimental programme



Goals:

- Symmetries and Symmetry Breaking
 - Isospin, Chiral symmetry, Fundamental symmetries
- (crypto) exotic hadrons



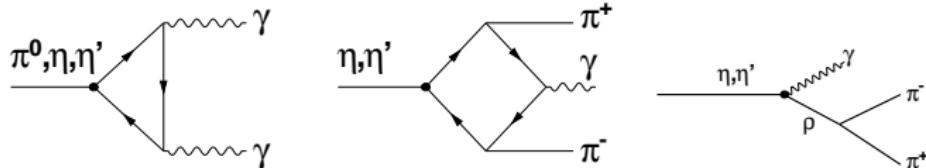
- Charge Symmetry Breaking in $dd \rightarrow \alpha\pi^0$
 V. Hejny (talk overview) $dd \rightarrow \alpha\pi^0$
 P. Podkopał (talk) $dd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}\eta\pi^0$
 W. Weglorz $dd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}\eta\pi^-$
- ABC effect
 T. Skorodko (talk) $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^0\pi^0$
 M. Bashkanov $pn \rightarrow d\pi^0\pi^0$
 A. Pricking (talk) $dd \rightarrow \alpha\pi\pi$
- ${}^4\text{He}\eta / {}^3\text{He}\eta$ bound states \Rightarrow workshop 16th June
- Decays (production) of light mesons $\pi^0, \eta, \omega, \eta'$
 P. Adlarson, M. Zieliński $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$
 C.F. Redmer (talk) $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\gamma$
 M. Hodana $\eta \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$
 M. Berłowski $\eta \rightarrow e^+e^-$
 H. Petrén $pp \rightarrow pp\eta$
 B.R. Jany $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^0\pi^0\pi^0$
 A. Jany $pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}X$



η decays: physics motivation

- Radiative decays

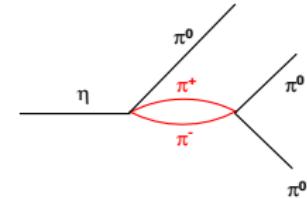
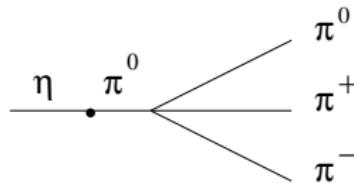
Chiral anomaly vs Vector Meson Dominance



- Hadronic decays

$$\eta \rightarrow 3\pi \quad (m_d - m_u)$$

$\pi - \pi$ interactions, cusp



- SM tests:

Rare decays eg. $\pi^0, \eta \rightarrow e^+ e^-$, $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$

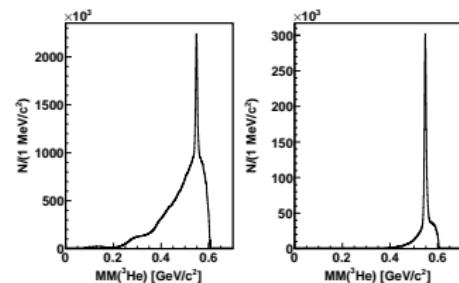
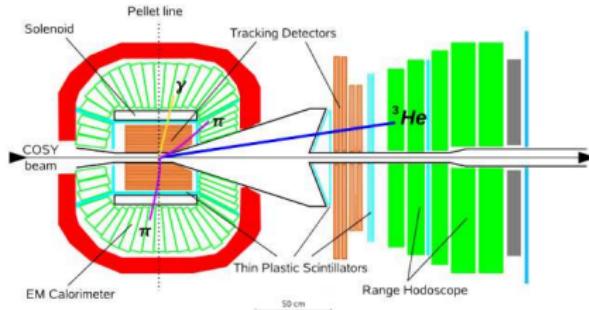
Symmetries of the decays distributions eg.

$\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$ (CP), $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ (C)



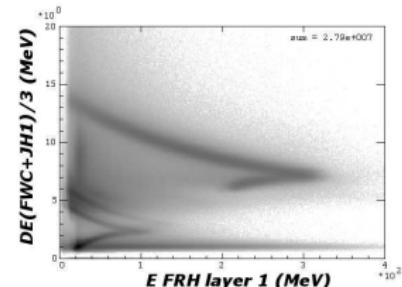
Sources of the mesons

- Close threshold $pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}X$ and $pp \rightarrow ppX$ reactions
- ${}^3\text{He}$ or p in FD: $3^\circ < \theta < 18^\circ$
- Precise $MM({}^3\text{He}) / MM(pp)$ ($\Delta MM < \Delta IM$)



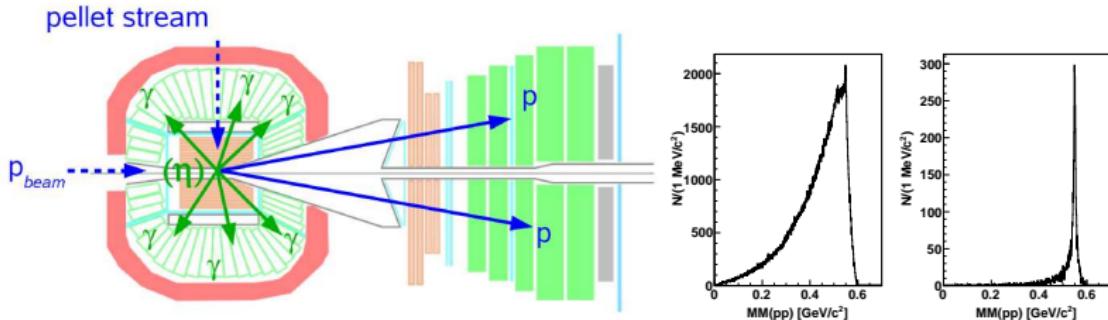
$pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}X$

- + Clean trigger – ${}^3\text{He}$ only
- + $\Delta E({}^3\text{He})$ good for heavier mesons
- Low cross section
- ⇒ For exploratory/precision studies



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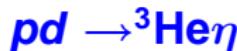


$pp \rightarrow ppX$

- Trigger: conditions for decay mode
- $\Delta E(p)$ only up to η (TOF, DIRC?)
- + Larger cross section
- ⇒ For rare decays with simple signature



Collected data



$T_p = 1.0 \text{ GeV}$

$10 \eta/\text{s} (0.4\mu\text{b})$

$3 \times 10^7 \eta \text{ decays}$

Beam energy

Yield/ cross section

Collected data

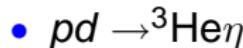


$T_p = 1.4 \text{ GeV}$

$\geq 100 \eta/\text{s} (10\mu\text{b})$

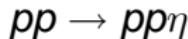
$> 10^8 \eta \text{ decays}$

Main data sets:



⇒ (2008) – $1.1 \times 10^7 \eta\text{s}$

• (2009) – $2.0 \times 10^7 \eta\text{s}$



⇒ 4 weeks (2007)+(2008)

8 weeks (2010)



Status of the analysis

	BR
$\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$	33%
$\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	23%
$\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$	5%
$\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$	7×10^{-3}
$\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$	4×10^{-4}
$\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+ e^-$	$\approx 2 \times 10^{-5}$
$(\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma)$	$\approx 3 \times 10^{-4}$

- Rare decays: $\eta, \pi^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-$, $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$
- Towards ω and η' decays

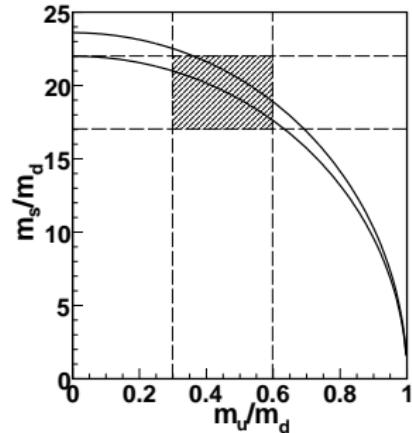


$$\Gamma_{exp} = \left(\frac{Q_D}{Q} \right)^4 \Gamma_{th}$$

$$Q^{-2} \approx \frac{m_d^2 - m_u^2}{m_s^2}$$

⇒ constraints for m_s/m_d , m_u/m_d
Leutwyler 1996

- $Q_D = 24.1$ (Dashen limit)
- Γ_{th} from ChPT
- $\Gamma(\gamma\gamma) \Rightarrow$ GlueX, KLOE2



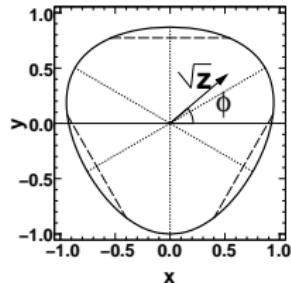
Test of ChPT calculations

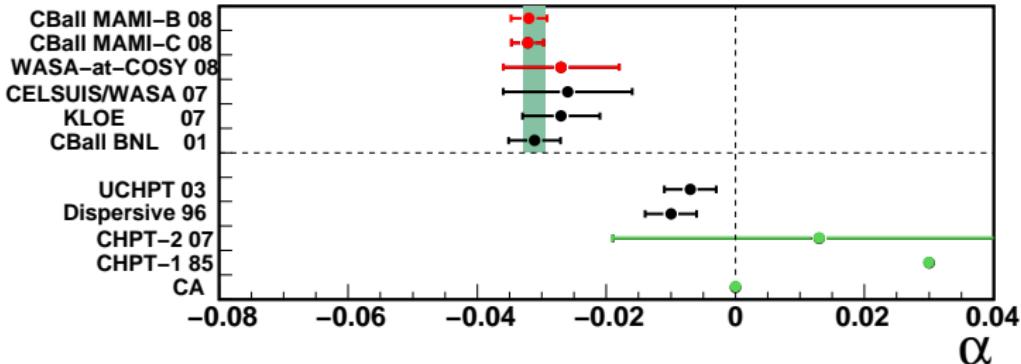
⇒ $\frac{d\Gamma}{dxdy}_{exp}$ vs $\frac{\Gamma}{dxdy}_{th}$

$$x = (T_+ - T_-)/\sqrt{3}\langle T \rangle$$

$$y = T_0/\langle T \rangle - 1$$

$$z = x^2 + y^2$$

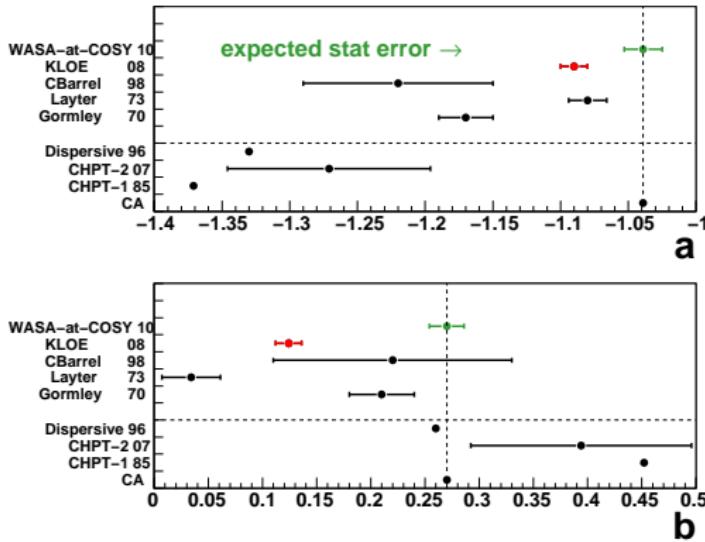


Status of $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$ Dalitz plotDalitz plot for $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$

- $|\mathcal{A}_{000}(z, \phi)|^2 \propto 1 + 2 \alpha z + \dots$
- Experiments: weighted average $\alpha = -0.0312 \pm 0.0017$
- ChPT LO: $\alpha = 0$, NLO, NNLO $\alpha > 0$

CELSIUS/WASA: 75k events, PRC76,048201(07)

WASA-at-COSY: 120k events $pp \rightarrow pp\eta$ PLB667,24(09)

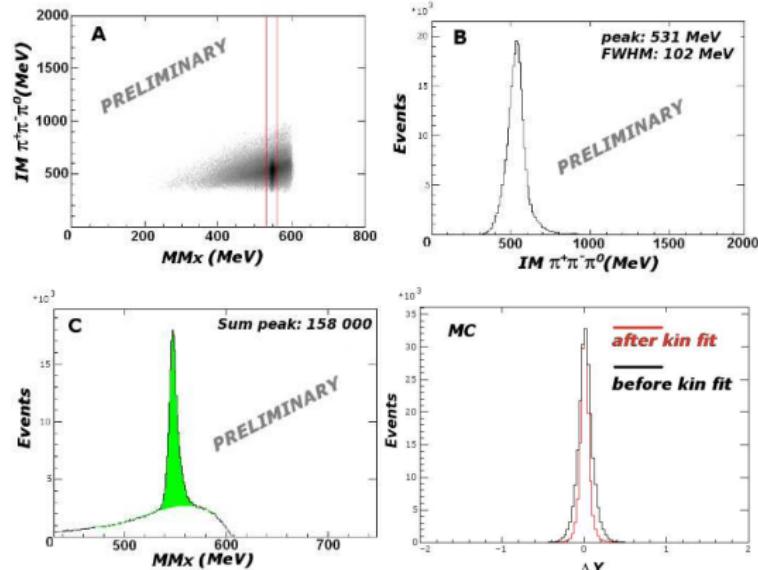
Status of $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ Dalitz plot

$$|\mathcal{A}_{+-0}(x, y)|^2 \propto 1 + \textcolor{red}{a}y + \textcolor{blue}{b}y^2 + \textcolor{red}{d}x^2 + \textcolor{red}{f}y^3 + \dots$$

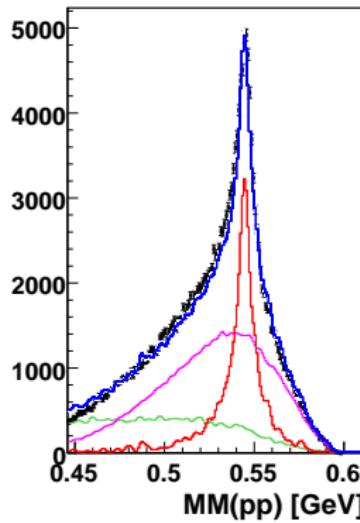
- Recent precise data KLOE 1.3×10^6 JHEP 0805:006(08)
- a, b, f do not agree with NNLO ChPT Bijnens, Ghobani JHEP11:030(07)
- WASA-at-COSY two independent measurements



$\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ in $pd \rightarrow {}^3 \text{He} \eta$



- 2008 data $1 - 2 \times 10^5 \eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ in the Dalitz plot
- background $pd \rightarrow {}^3 \text{He} \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$

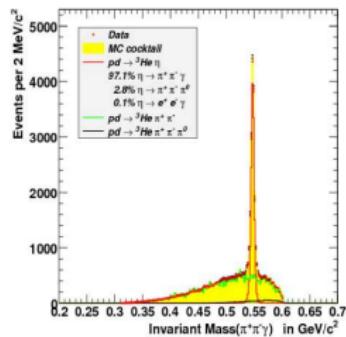
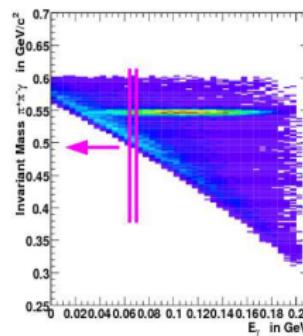
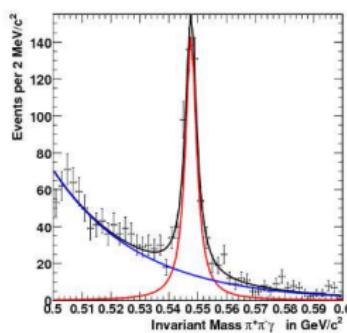
 $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ in $pp \rightarrow pp\eta$ 

- 2-3 $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ /s
- Run finished last Monday:
 $\approx 10^7 \eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$
- Trigger accepts all decays with charged particles



$$\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$$

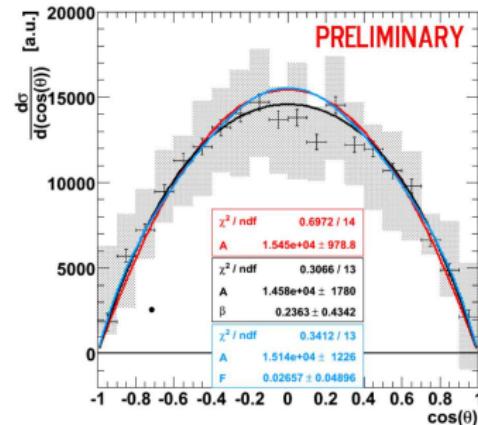
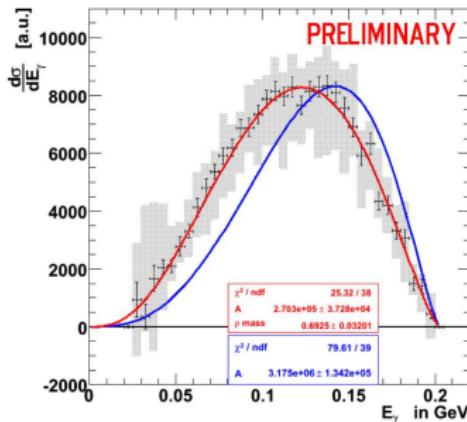
- Goal: measure E_γ distribution:
VMD vs box anomaly
- Main background: $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$, $pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} \pi^+ \pi^-$
- Kinematical 4C fit $pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$
- Sample 13750 ± 150 events



Analysis Ch. F. Redmer



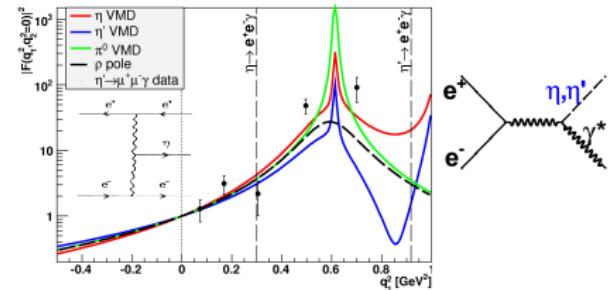
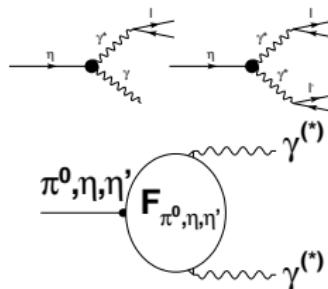
- Second variable θ_π (π^+ angle in di-pion CMS)
- $|\mathcal{A}(E_\gamma, \cos \theta_\pi)|^2 \propto \sin^2 \theta_\pi$



- simplest matrix element does not describe data (blue)
- good agreement with VMD (red)
- p – wave interaction
- *higher partial wave contributions negligible*

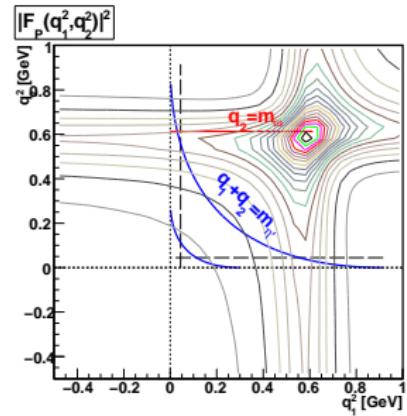


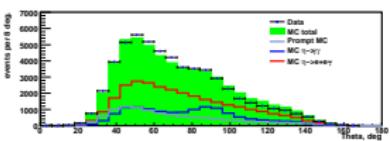
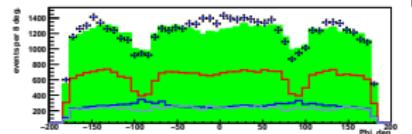
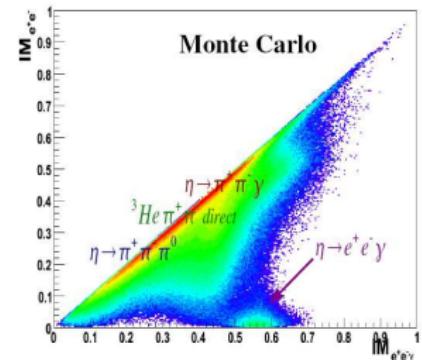
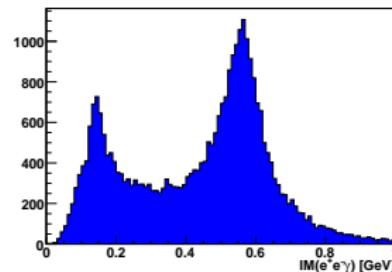
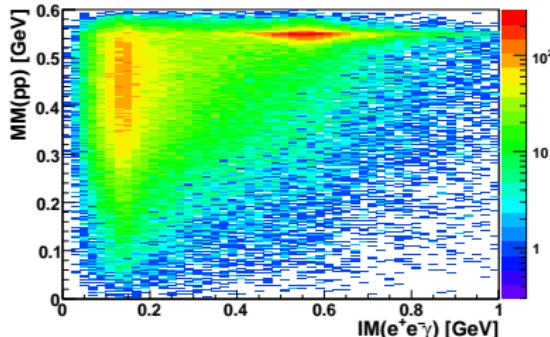
Conversion decays



Double off shell form factors:

- Test VMD
- Give SM contribution to
 - ... $\mathcal{P} \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
 - ... muon $g - 2$
- Decays of interest:
 - $\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+ e^-$
 - $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^- \dots$



 $\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$ 

- Background $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (conversion in the detector)
- Direct $\pi^+\pi^-$ production

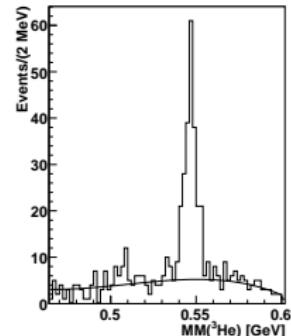


$$\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- \pi^+ \pi^- / \eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+ e^-$$

Exploratory analysis of the 2008 pd data

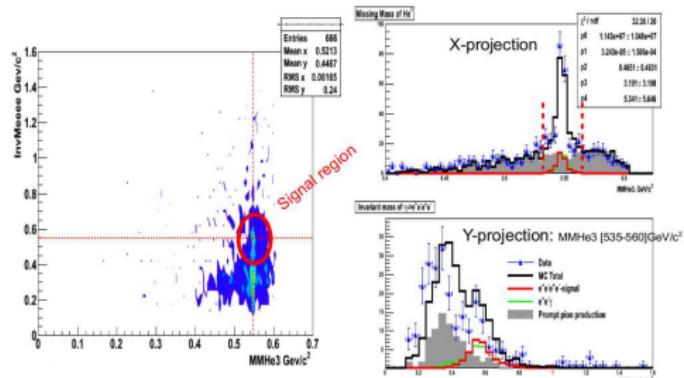
$$\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- \pi^+ \pi^-$$

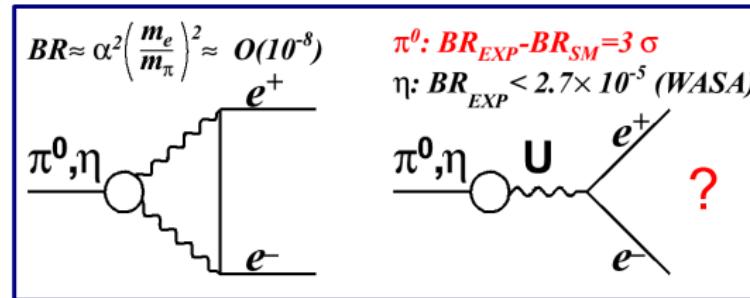
- 150 – 200 events
- S/B $\sim 2.5:1$
- acceptance ca. 7%
- Normalization to $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi_D^0$



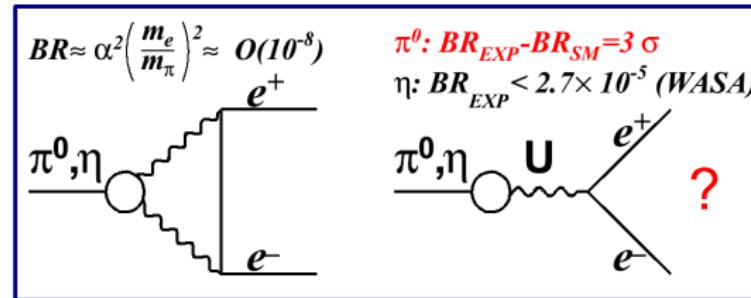
$$\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+ e^-$$

- 15 – 30 candidates
- acceptance ca. 5%
- S:B $\sim 1:1$



Rare decays: $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$ 

- Exp $BR_{\text{no-rad}} = (7.48 \pm 0.29_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.25_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-8}$
KTeV (794 events) PRD75:012004, 2007
- $BR^{\text{SM}}(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-) = (6.23 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-8}$
Dorokhov et al., PRD75:114007, 2007
- $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^0$ $T_p = 0.55$ GeV (1.3 mb) below $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$
- background ($\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma, \dots$) studied in 2010 test run:
reconstructed $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$ 9/s (total 4.5×10^6)
Expect about 100 $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$

Rare decays: $\eta \rightarrow e^+e^-$ 

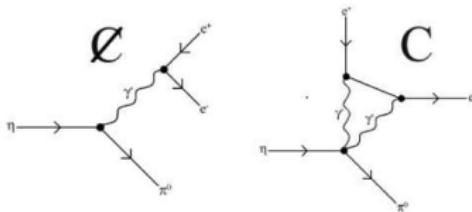
- 2008 $pp \rightarrow pp\eta$ data with 4.4×10^7 η s:
- Goal improve BR limit

CELSIUS/WASA PRD77:032004(08)

acceptance 5%

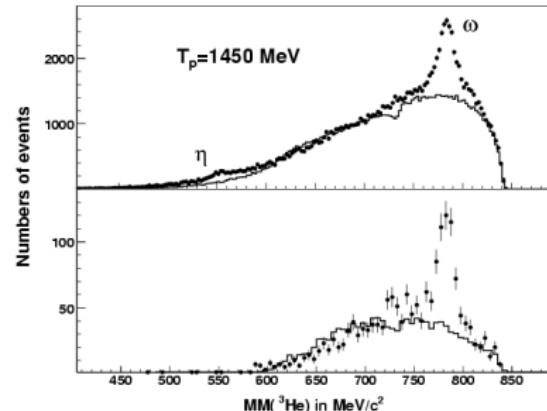
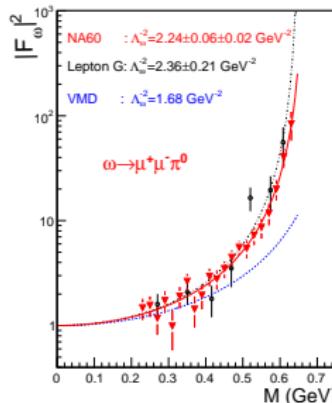
background $\eta \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$, $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$, ...

Analysis: M. Berlowski

Rare decays: $\eta \rightarrow e^+ e^- \pi^0$ 

- PDG $BR < 4 \times 10^{-5}$
- Test C up to $BR \approx 10^{-8}$ (decay via $\pi^0 \gamma^* \gamma^*$)
- Analysis of 2008 $pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} \eta$ data
 - Goal: improve BR limit
 - Background $pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} \pi^0 \pi^0$
 - Acceptance $\approx 1\%$
- Continue with $pp \rightarrow pp \eta$ data

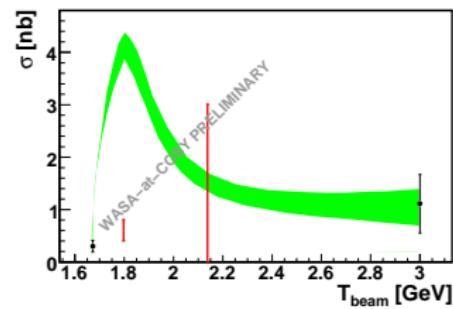
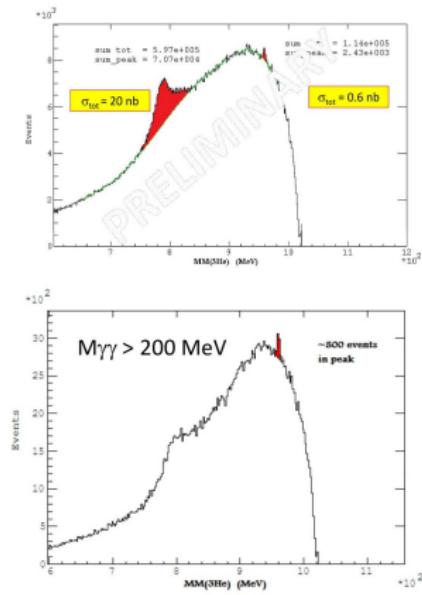
Analysis: A. Winnemöller

Towards ω decaysGoal $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$ form factor

- $pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}\omega$ at 1.45 GeV
- $\sigma = 85 \text{ nb}$ CELSIUS/WASA PLB668:258,08
- $2 \times 10^6 \omega/\text{month}$ (from $pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}\eta$)
- $pp \rightarrow pp\omega$ at $Q = 60 - 90 \text{ MeV}$ ($2.85 - 2.95 \text{ GeV}/c$)
- $\sigma = 6 - 10 \mu\text{b}$



Towards η' decays



green: nucl-th/9510010

black points: PRD9,1917(74),
PRLB374,283(96)

- Estimate of $\sigma(pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}\eta')$ at $T_p = 1.80, 2.14$ GeV
 ≈ 1 nb too low for decays
- $pp \rightarrow pp\eta'$ $T_p = 2.54$ GeV 300 nb (COSY-11)
- ... fast protons



- Analysis of 2008 pd data nearly ready
 - Second generation analysis of 2009 pd data
 - Analysis of new large statistics $pp \rightarrow pp\eta$ data
 - Starting ω decay programme
 - $\sigma(pd \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}\eta') = \mathcal{O}(\text{nb})$ too low for decays
⇒ try $pp \rightarrow pp\eta'$
 - byproduct: meson production dynamics
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- Other results: ABC effect, CSB $dd \rightarrow \alpha\pi^0$, search for η -mesic nuclei ...