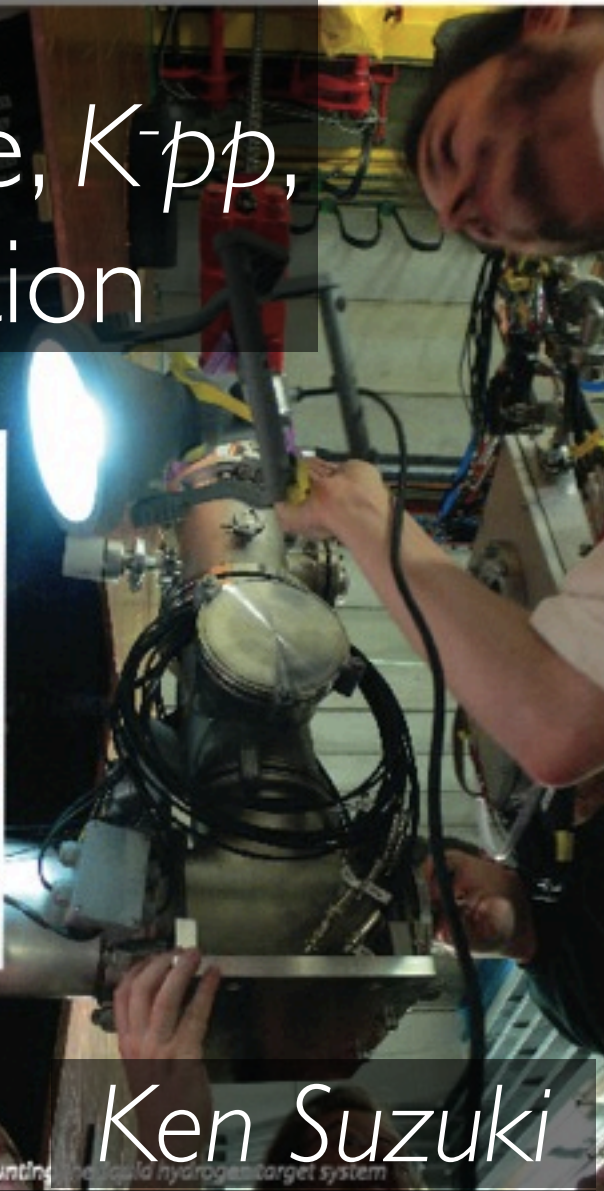
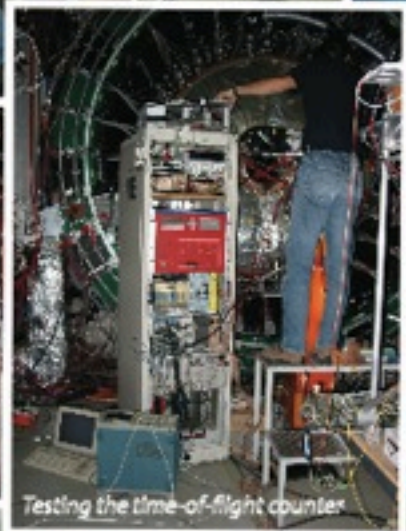


# Experimental Search for the kaonic nuclear state, $K^-pp$ , in proton induced reaction



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topic continues from the  
previous talk

# **Kaonic Nucl. Search**

**- E15@J-PARC**  
previous talk

**- FOPI experiment**  
K. Suzuki et al., NPA827 (2009) 312

Experiment (-September 2009), Analysis in progress

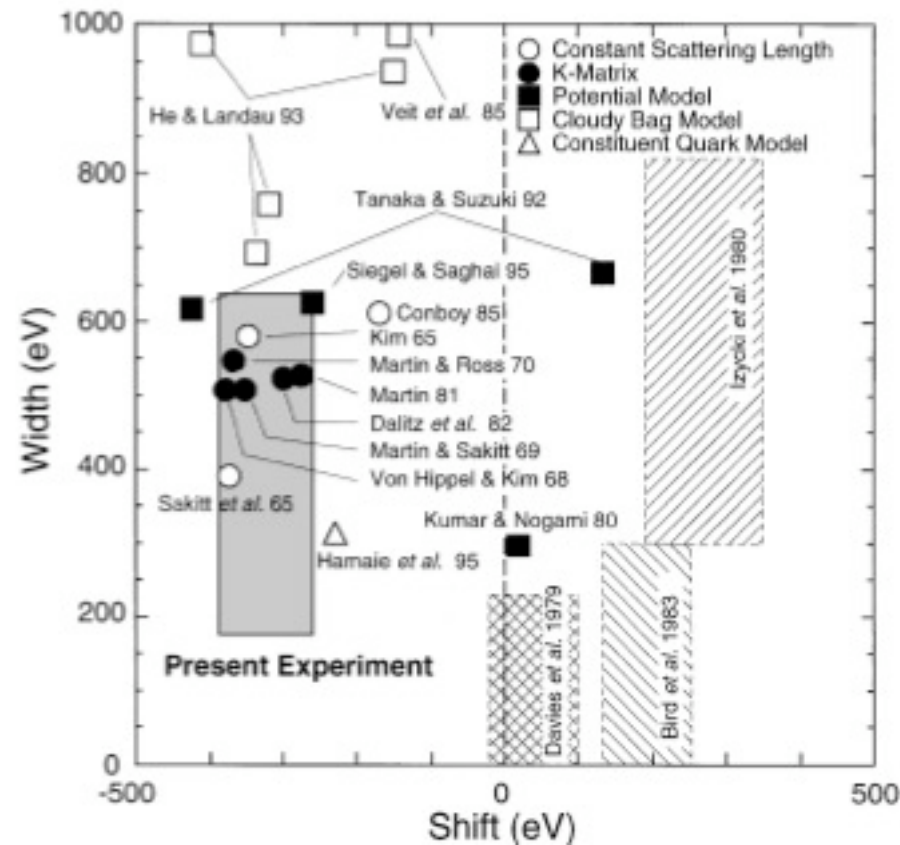
**- DISTO experiment**

T. Yamazaki et al., PRL104 (2010) 132502

**- AMADEUS experiment**

talk by J. Zmeskal

Kaonic hydrogen puzzle, just ~10 years ago  
key ingredient:  $K^{\text{bar}}N$  interaction

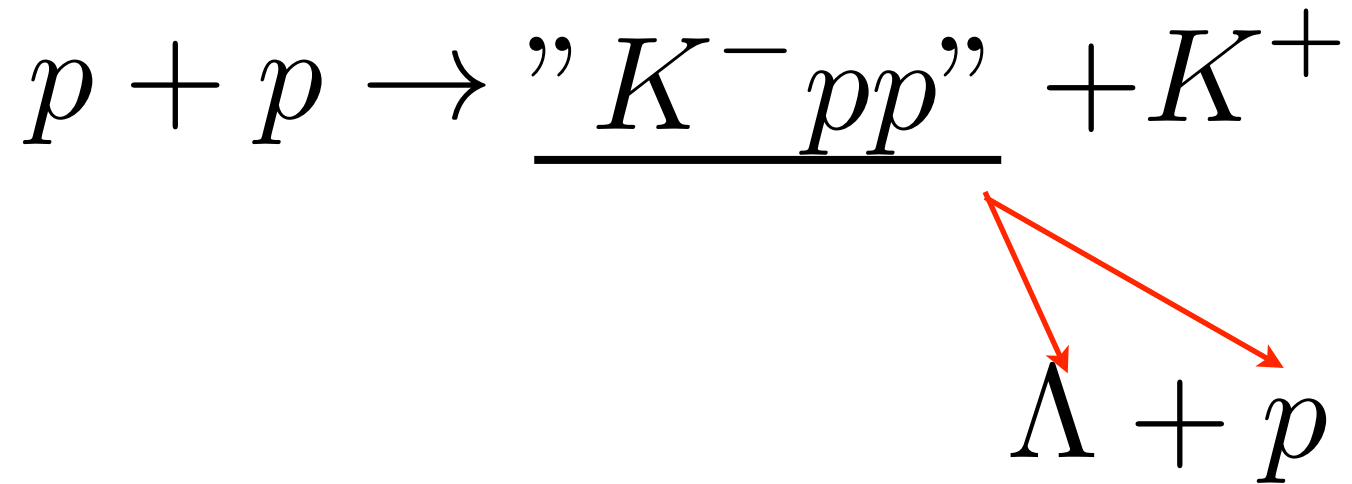


*M. Iwasaki et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 78 (1997) 3067*

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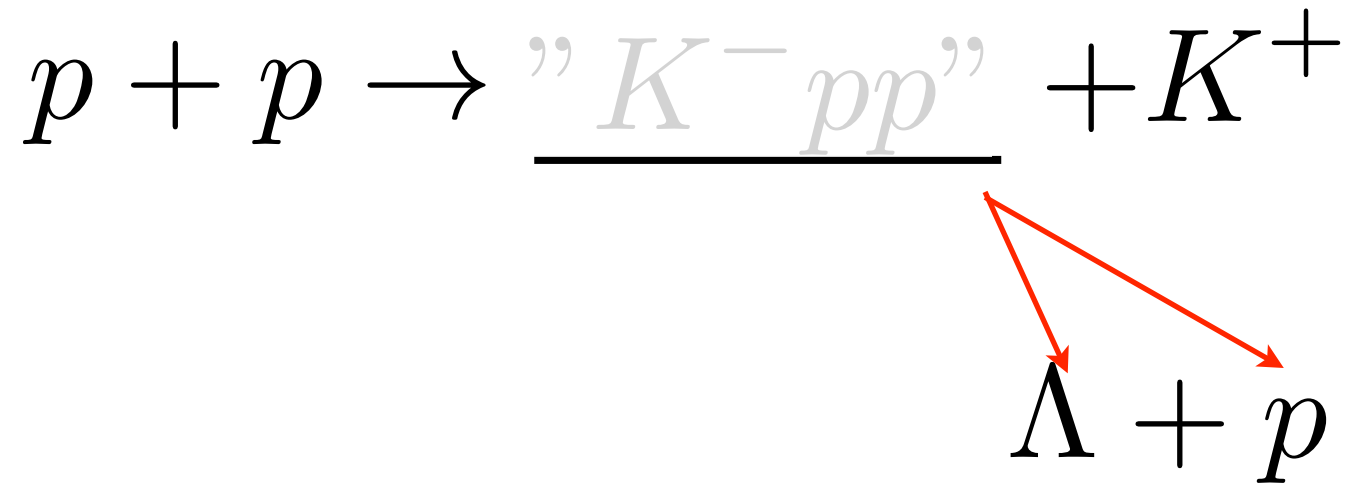


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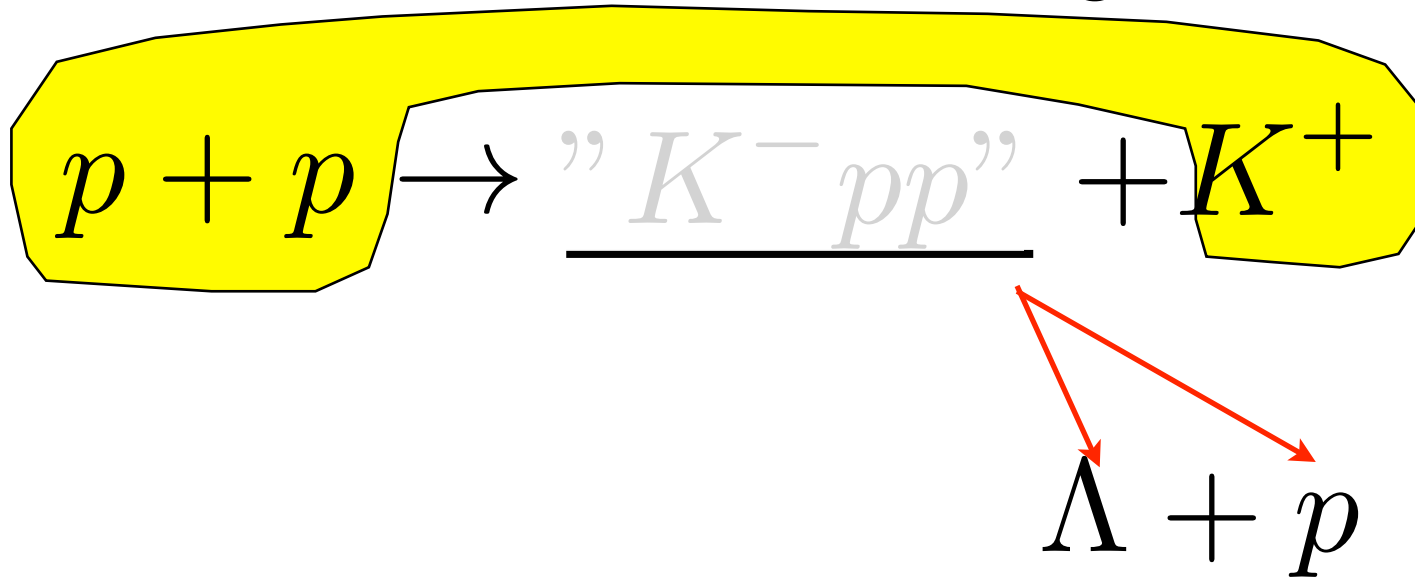
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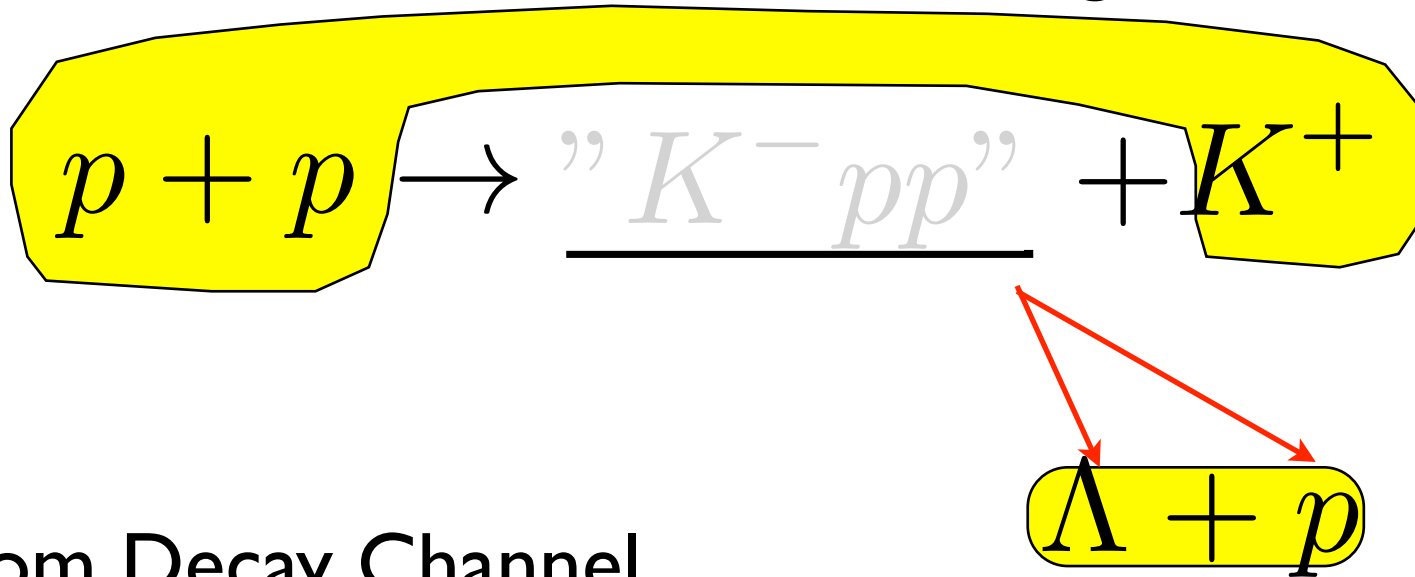
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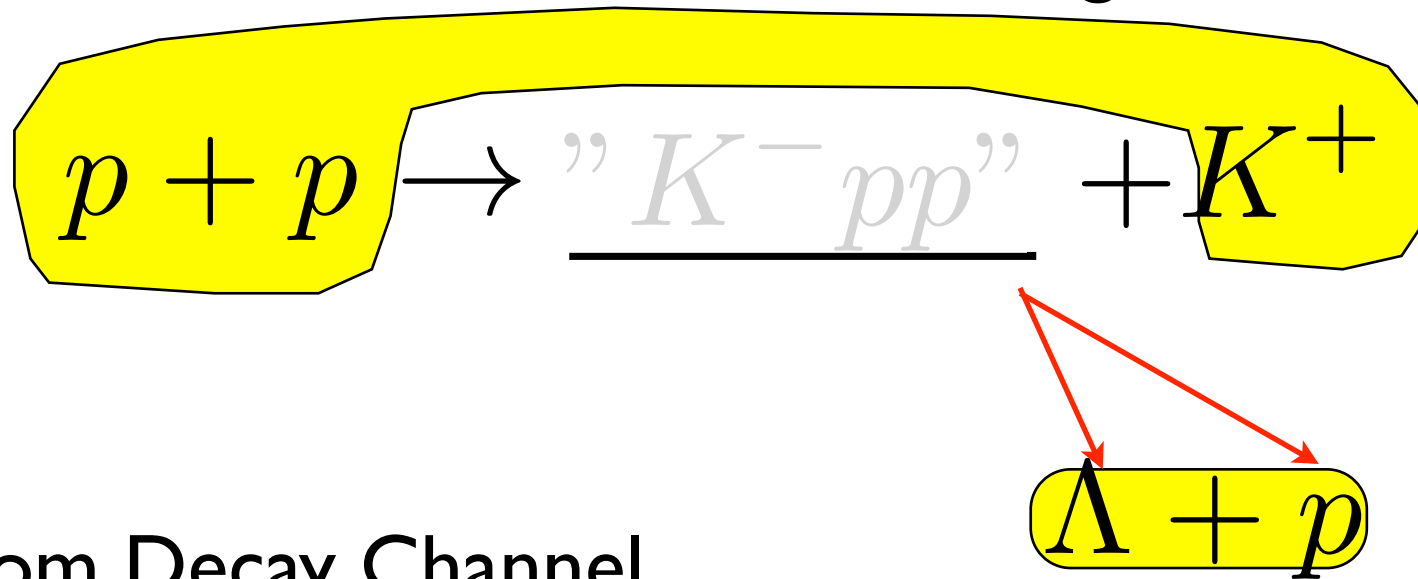
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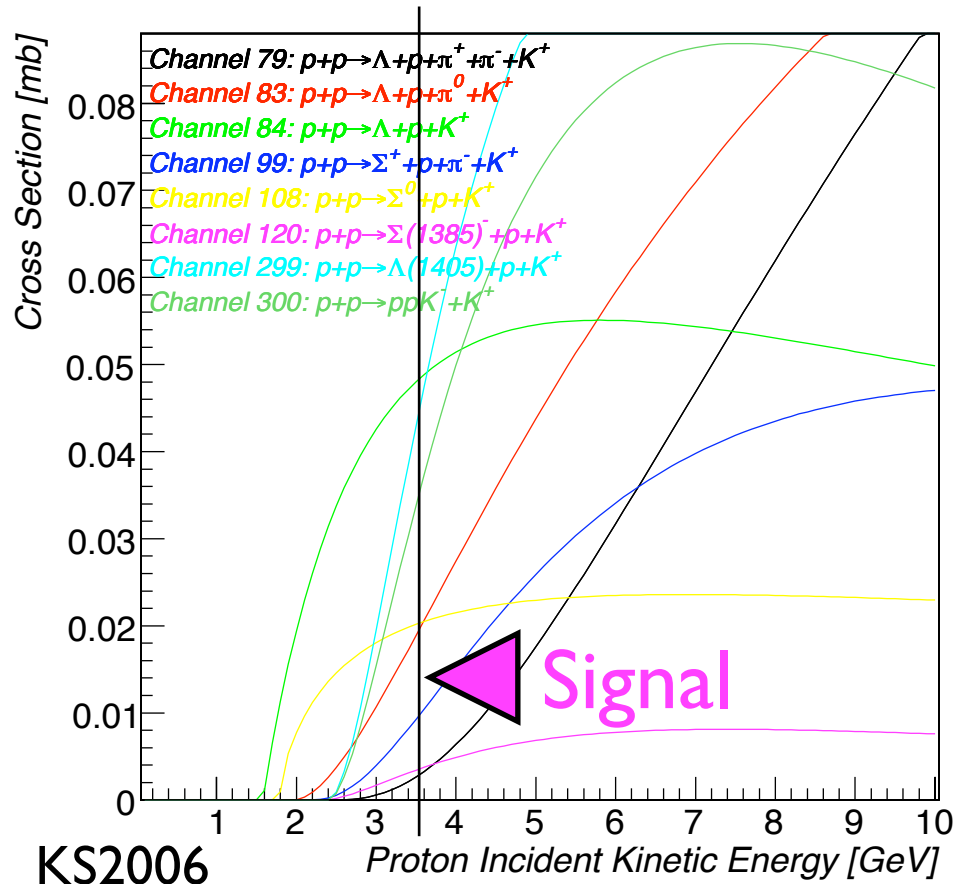


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Exclusive measurement  
with a large acceptance detector

# Background Suppression

Channels which can have same event topology as signal  
: 2 proton, 1  $\pi^-$  and 1  $K^+$  in backward



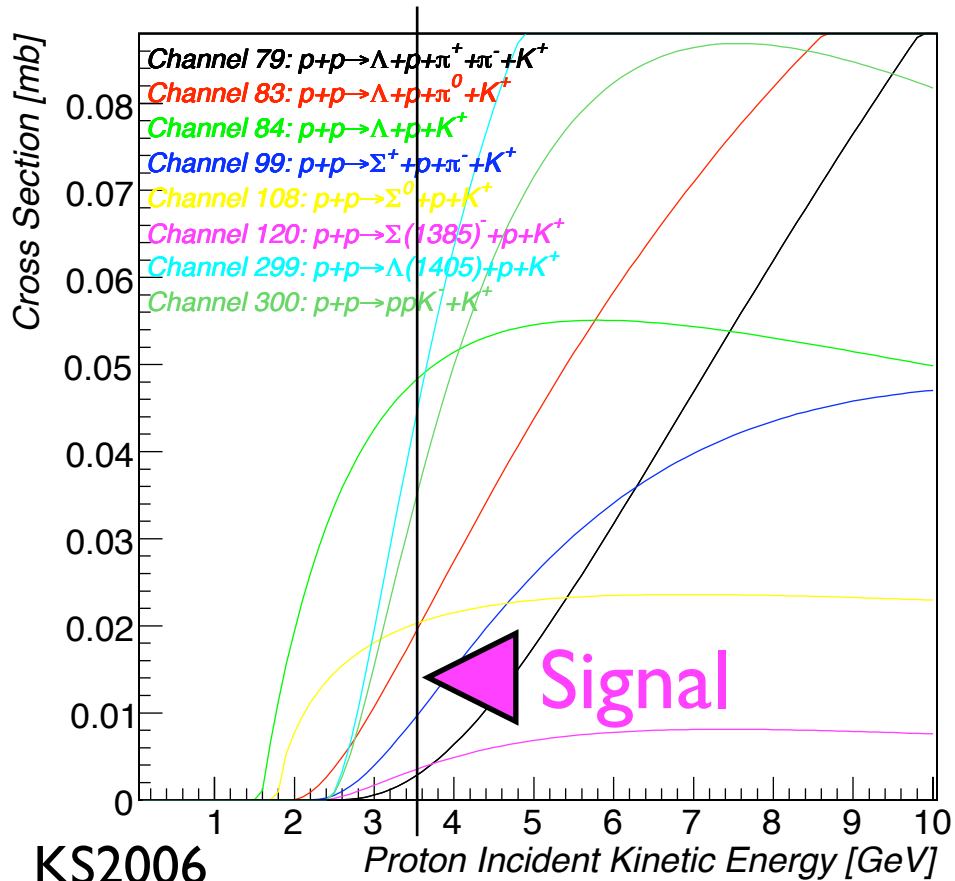
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83	1.958	$\Lambda+p+\pi^0+K^+$	96
84	1.582	$\Lambda+p+K^+$	339
97	2.592	$\Sigma^++p+\pi^0+\pi^-+K^+$	2
99	2.185	$\Sigma^++p+\pi^-+K^+$	52
106	2.616	$\Sigma^0+p+\pi^++\pi^-+K^+$	3
108	1.794	$\Sigma^0+p+K^+$	123
120	2.348	$\Sigma(1385)^-+p+K^+$	6
195	2.943	$p+p+\pi^-+K^+ +K^0$	1
299	2.415	$\Lambda(1405)+p+K^+$	25
300	2.412	$ppK^-+K^+$	61

signal on the „physics background“,  $p\Lambda K^+$  dalitz decay

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full kinematics information

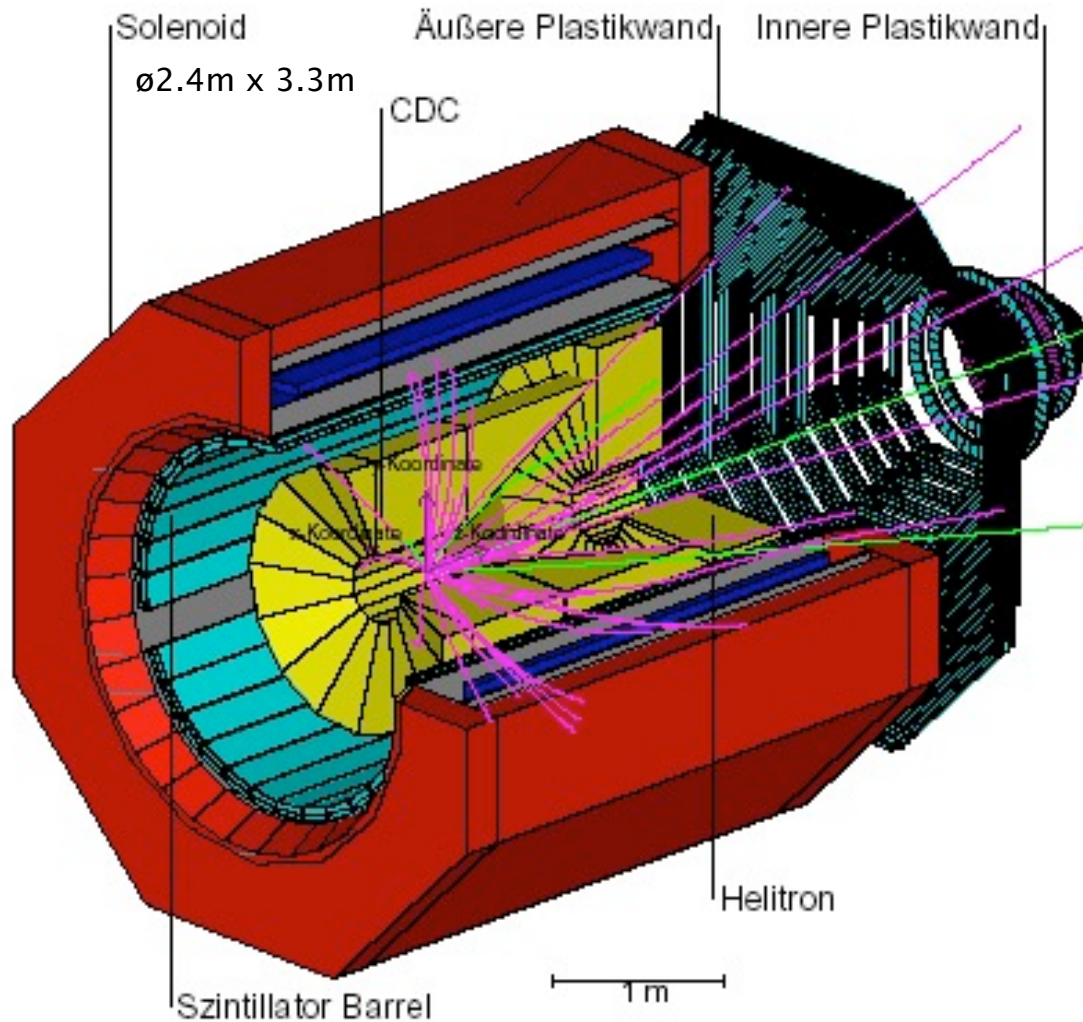


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# FOPi Apparatus

Fixed target experiment designed for heavy-ion-collision study



Magnetic Field: 0.6T  
 Trigger Rate: 200~500Hz  
 Particle/event: ~100

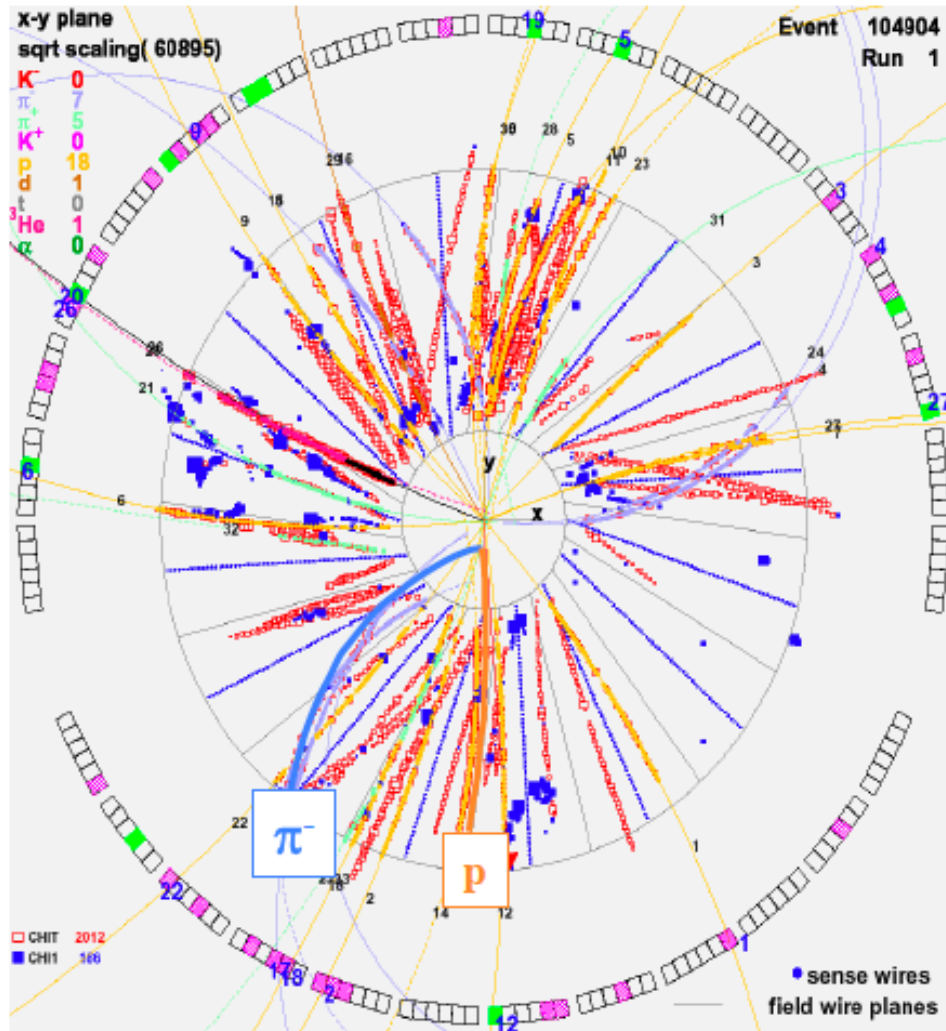
$\theta_{\text{lab}}$	Tracking	TOF
35-150	CDC	Sci. Barrel
7.5-35	Helitron	PLAWA
1.2-7.5		ZD

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 K. Wisniewski Ph.D.Thesis

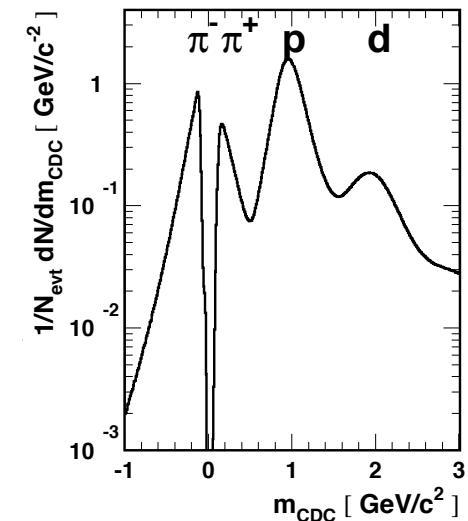
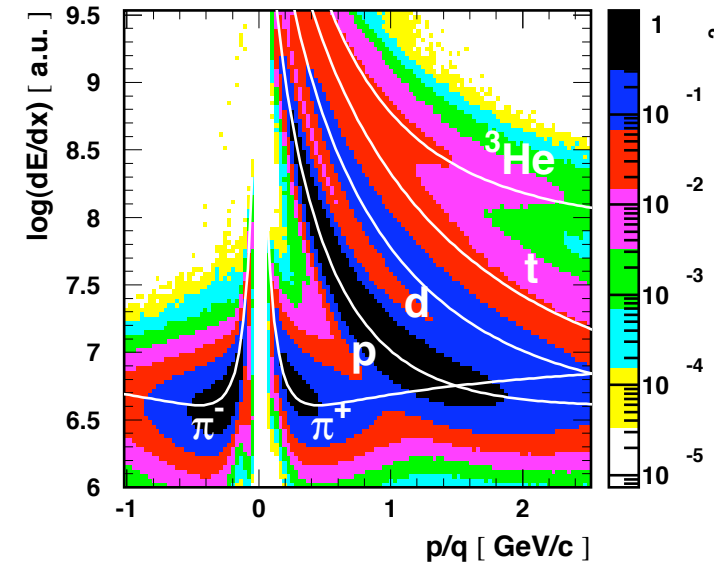
# FOPI performance: charged particle

ex. event monitor

Ni+Ni @ 1.93 AGeV (2003)



ex. particle id

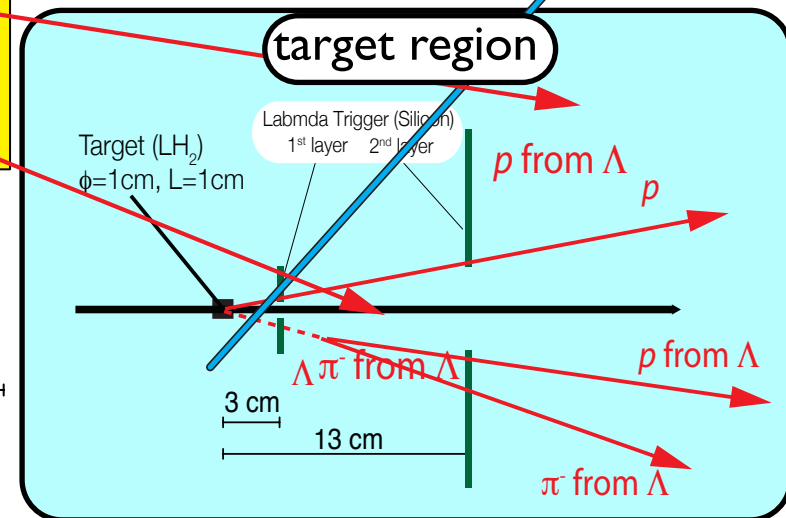
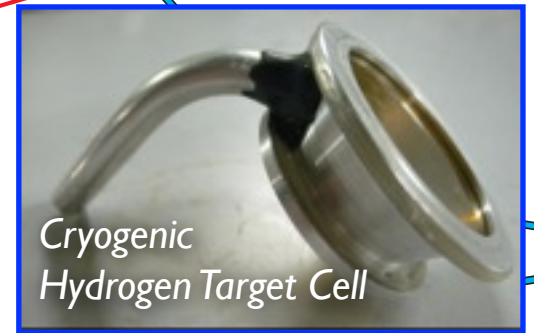
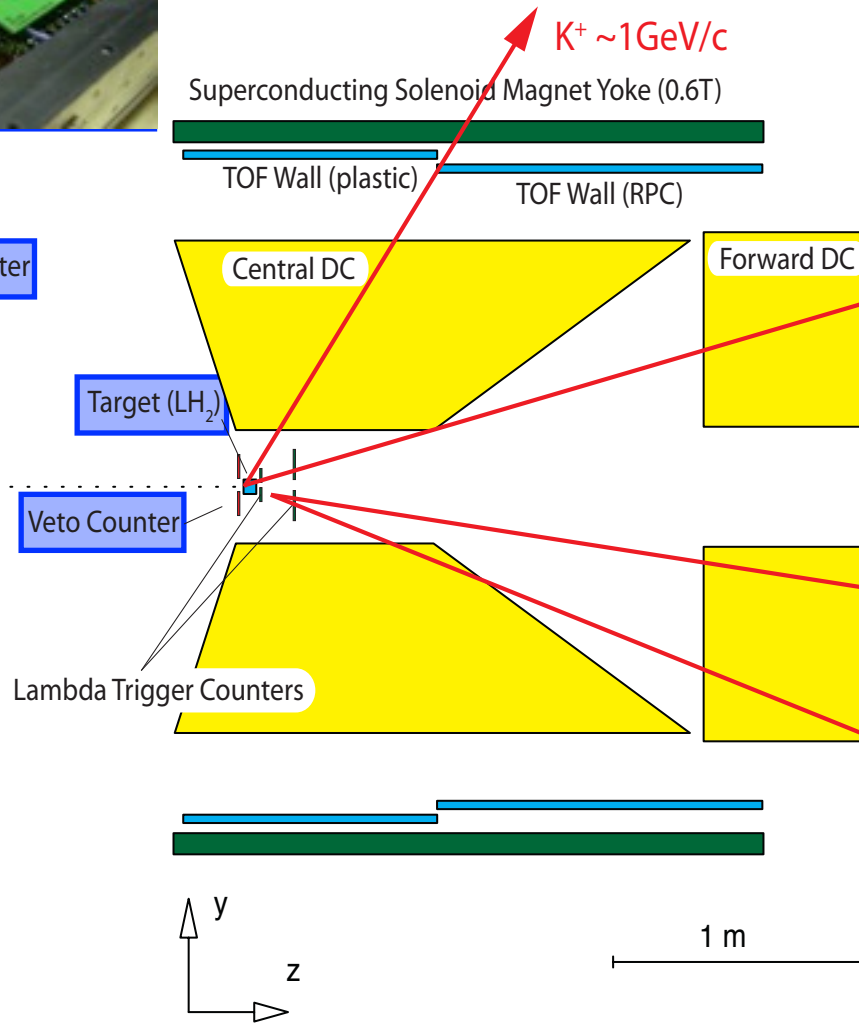




# Experimental Setup at FOPI

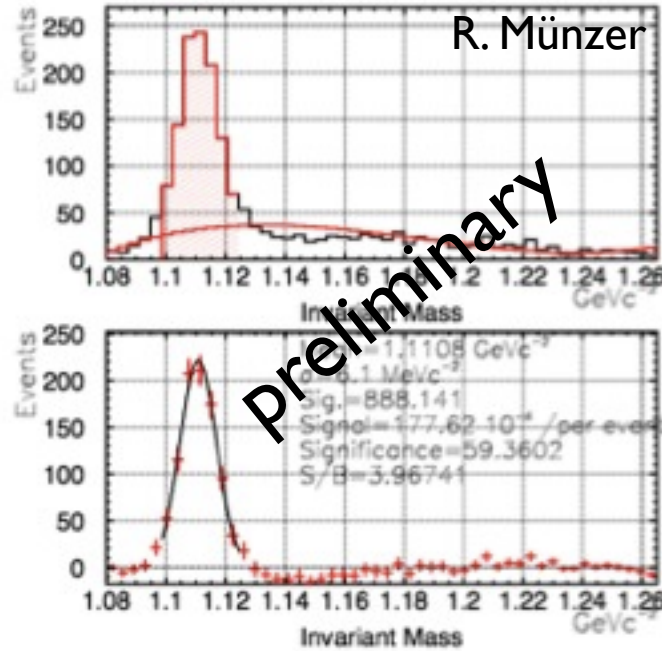
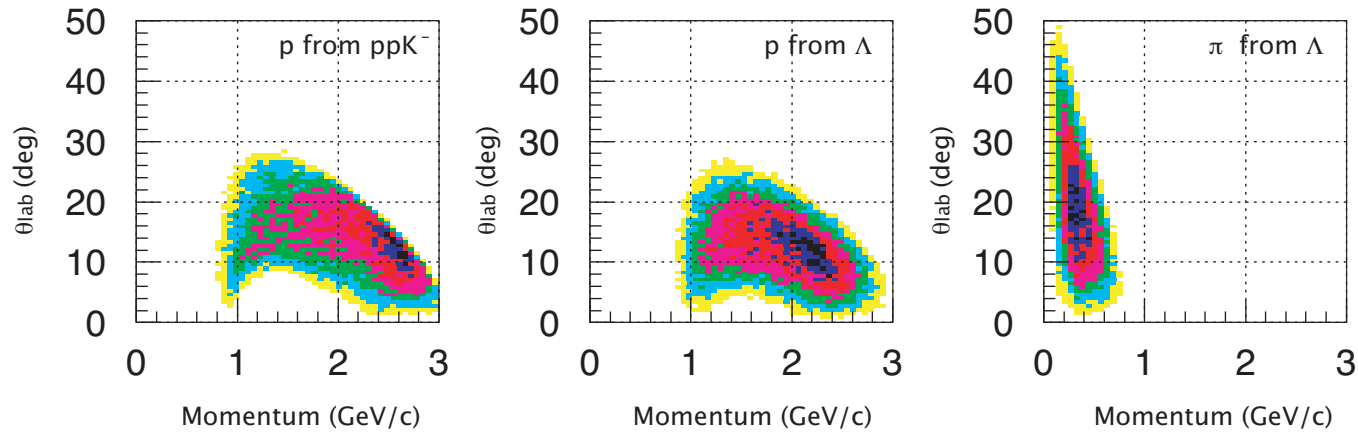
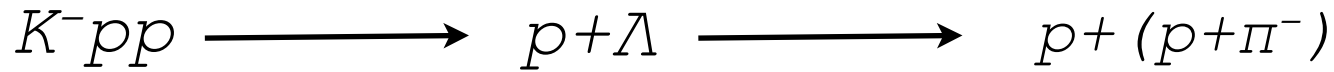


Beam Profile Monitor  
Start Counter



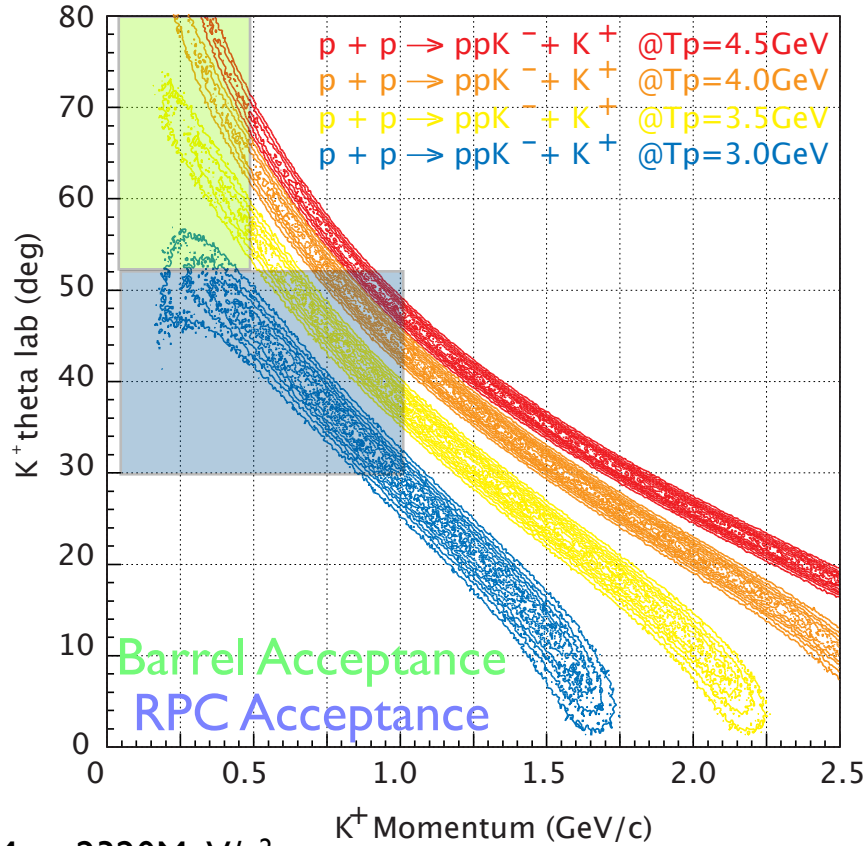
- *-September 2009 (effectively ~2wks data taking)*
- *$T_p=3.1$  GeV, 10-15 M /spill, spill cycle=10 s*
- *LH<sub>2</sub> target (2 cm = ~0.4 %)*
- *~80 M „Lambda-Trigger“ events*

# IM ( $K^-pp$ decay products)



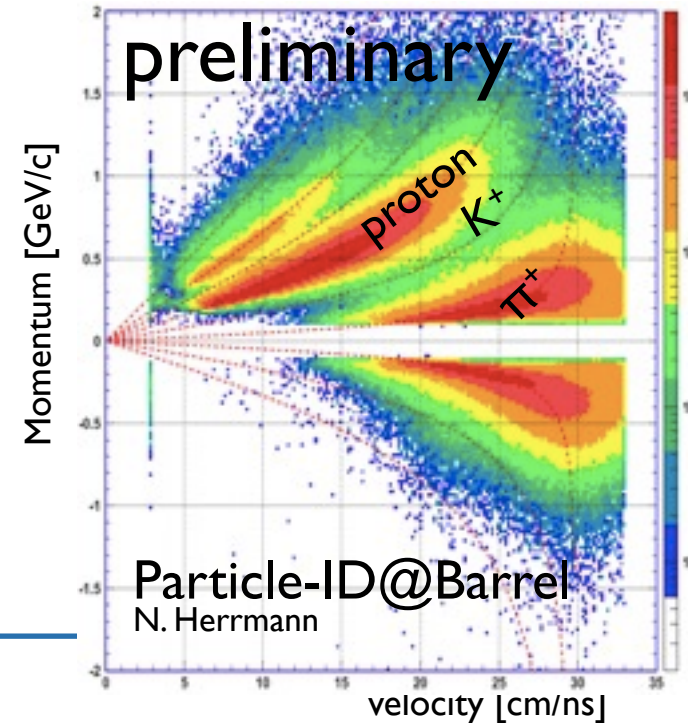
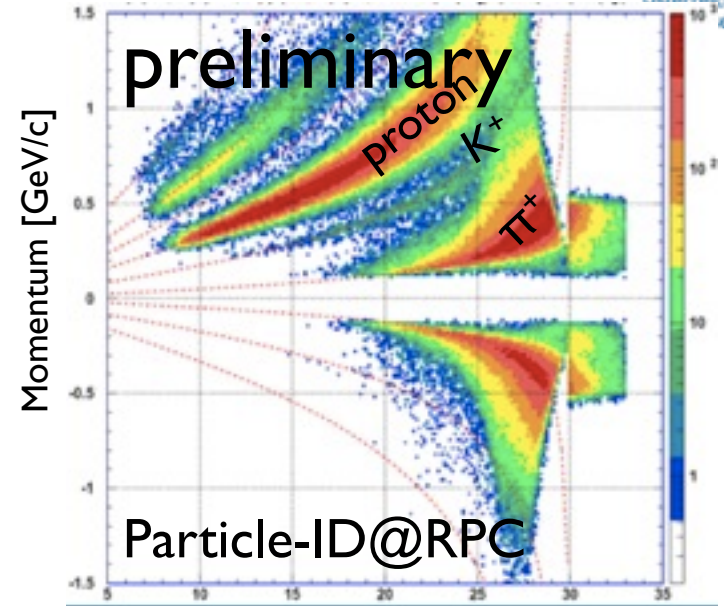
$M_{ppK^-} = 2279 \text{ MeV}/c^2$   
@ $T_p = 3.0 \text{ GeV}$

# $K^+$ analysis



Mass  $2320\text{MeV}/c^2$   
width  $60\text{MeV}/c^2$

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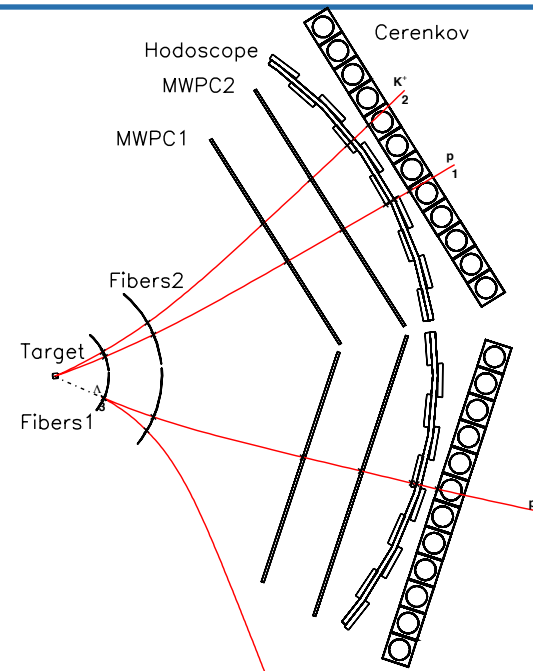
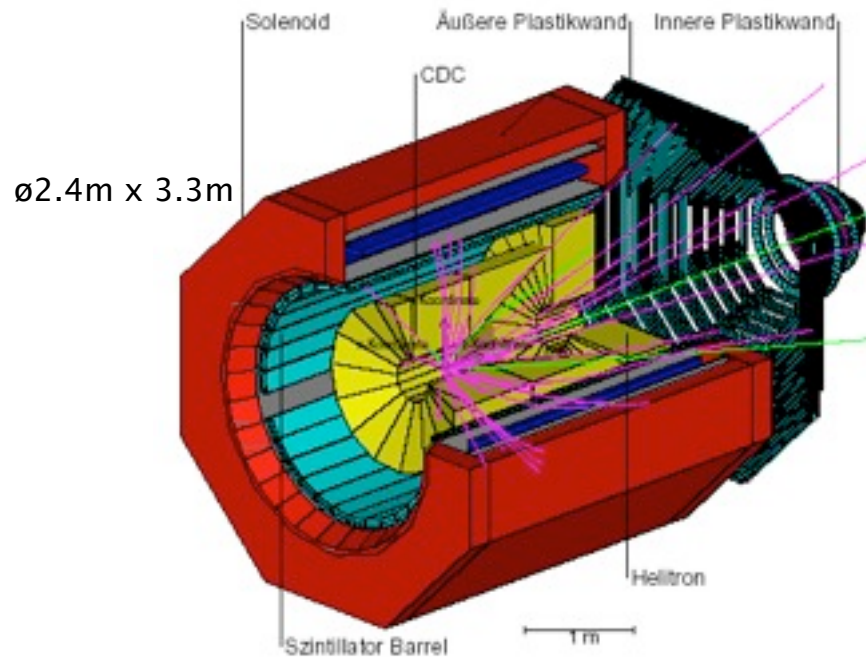


# *(DISTO) Analysis Strategy*

1. *Selection of exclusive  $p+p \rightarrow p+\Lambda+K^+$  final state events (Ordinary+Exotic process)*
2. *„Acceptance Correction“*
3. *Look for a binary process:  $p+p \rightarrow "K^-pp"+K^+$  (Exotic Process) as a deviation from the ordinary process,*
4. *Analyze the binary process*
  1. *Consistency check with production ch. (MM) and decay ch. (Minv)*
  2. *Kinematics*
  3. *Further cross checks (high momentum transfer)*
5. *Interpretation*

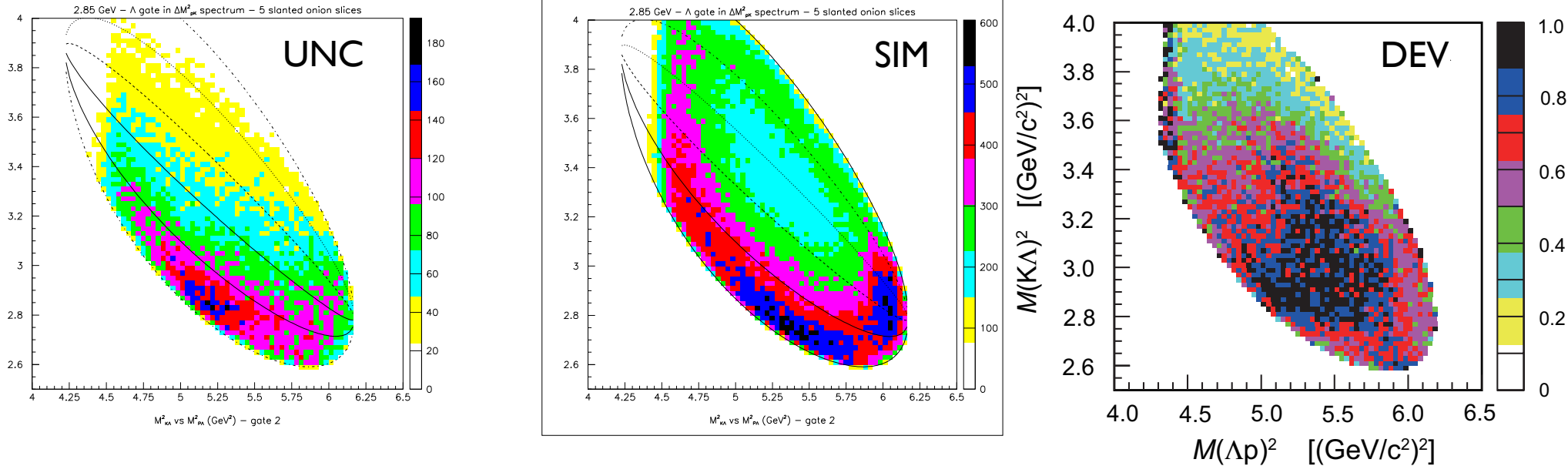


# Comparison: FOPI DISTO



<i>Beam Energy</i>	<i>3.1 GeV</i>	<i>2.15, 2.5, 2.85 GeV</i>
<i>Prim. Det. Design</i>	<i>Heavy-Ion-Collision</i>	<i>hyperon spin physics</i>
<i>Magnet</i>	<i>Cylindrical</i>	<i>Dipole</i>
<i><math>\Lambda</math> Trigger</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Direct <math>K^\pm</math> ID</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Venue</i>	<i>GSI, Darmstadt</i>	<i>Saclay, Paris</i>
<i>Statistics</i>		<i>177k pNK events</i>

# Acceptance Correction



UNC: Acceptance non-corrected data

SIM: „ordinary“  $pp \rightarrow p\Lambda K$  events with flat phase space assumption

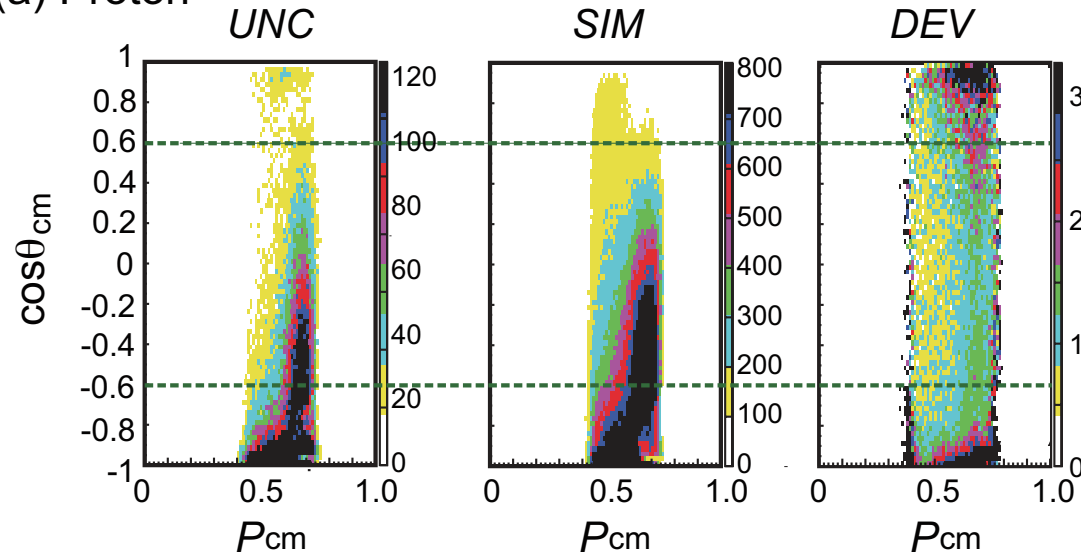
DEV: UNC/SIM (bin by bin), deviation from flat distribution

Powerful technique which works only with this specific case

Valid if the event sample is only  $p\Lambda K$  final state. Purity ~ a few %

# $\cos\theta_{cm}$ vs $P_{cm}$

(a) Proton

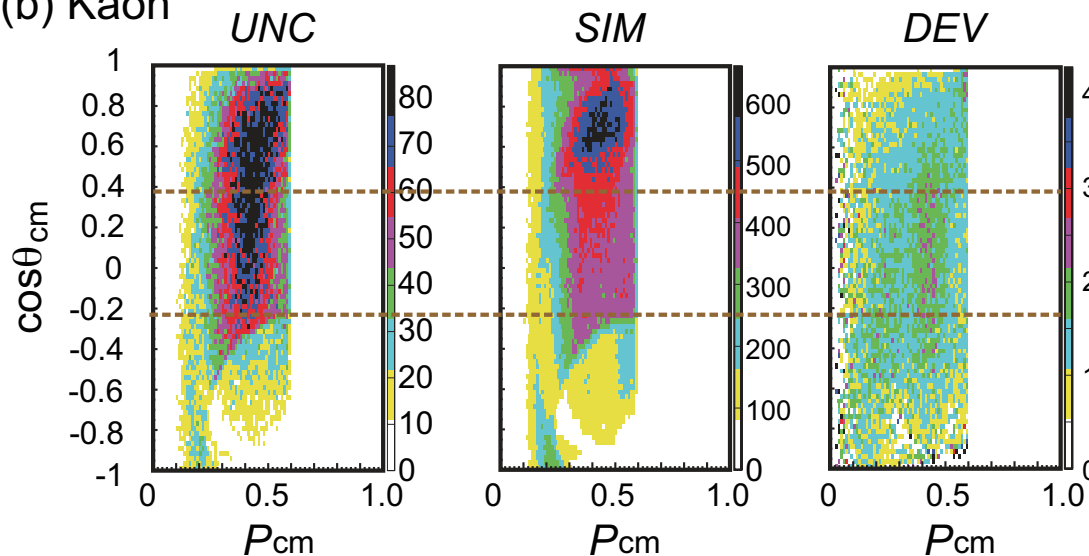


Very backward peaked proton  
(UNC)

Higher acceptance of  
Lambda in forward

Symmetric  $pp$  scattering in  
CM (DEV)

(b) Kaon

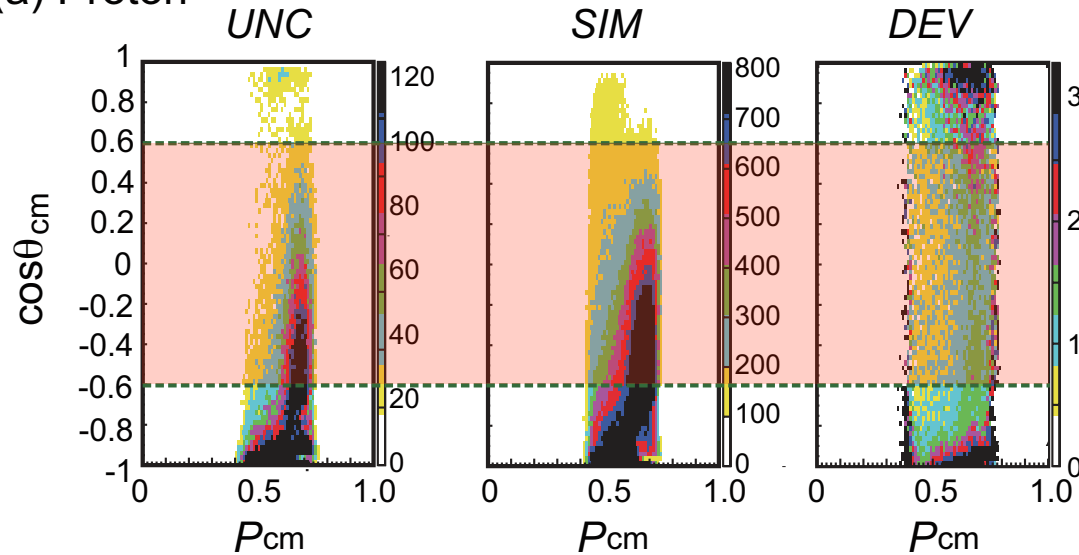


Monoenergetic kaon  
component at  $P_{cm} \sim 0.4 \text{ GeV}/c$

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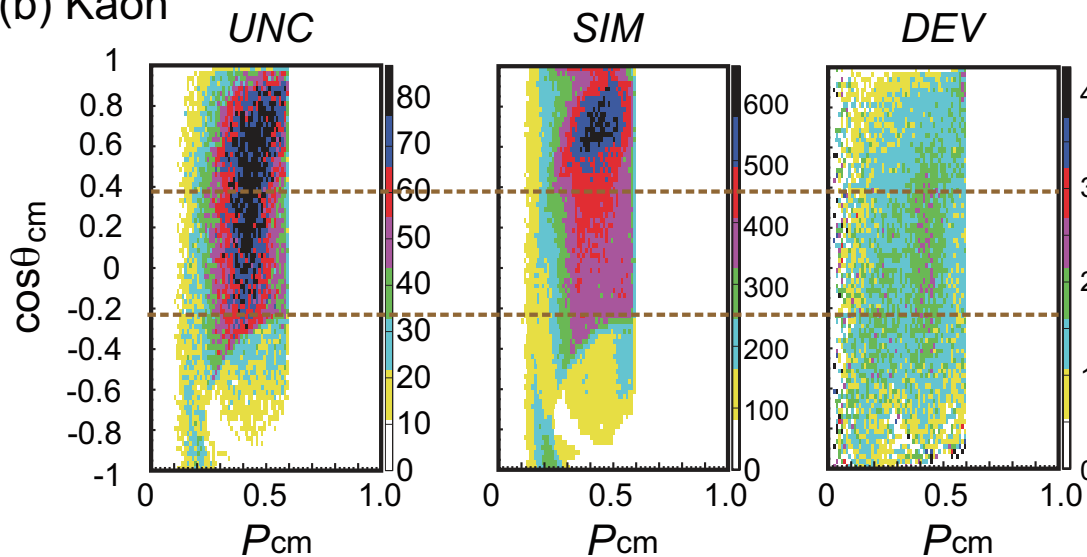


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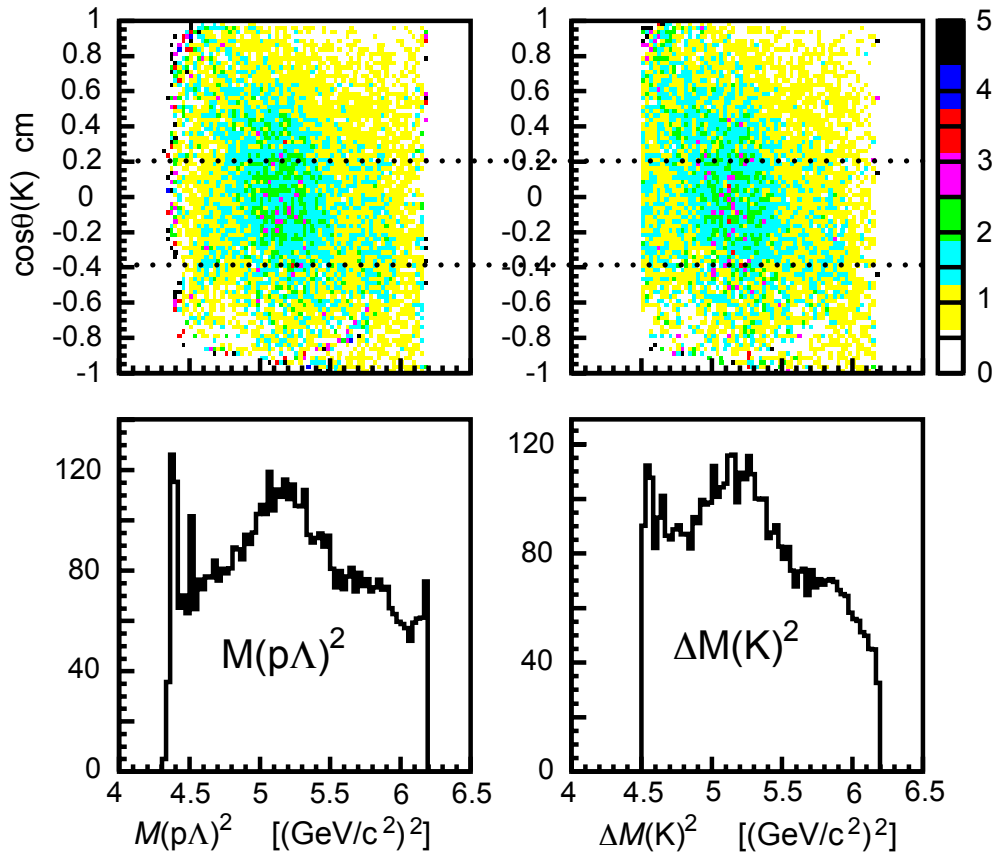
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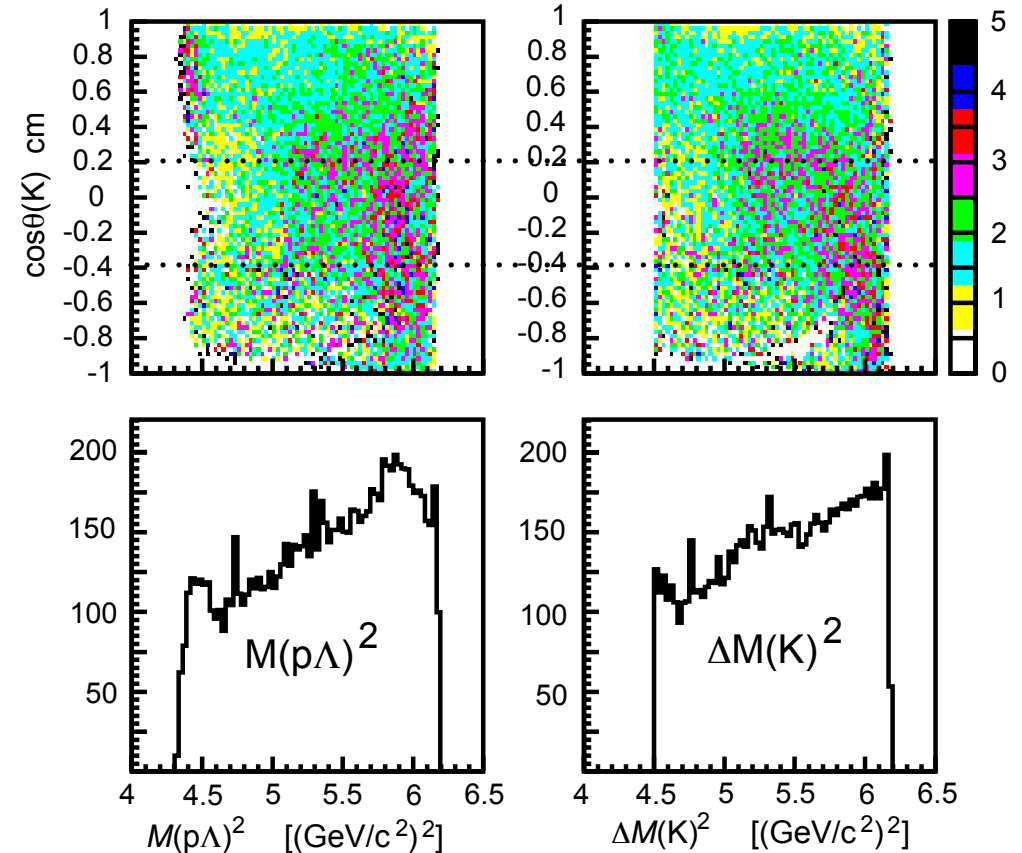
Large Angle Proton

# Large/Small Proton Angle Cut

(a) proton cut: large angle

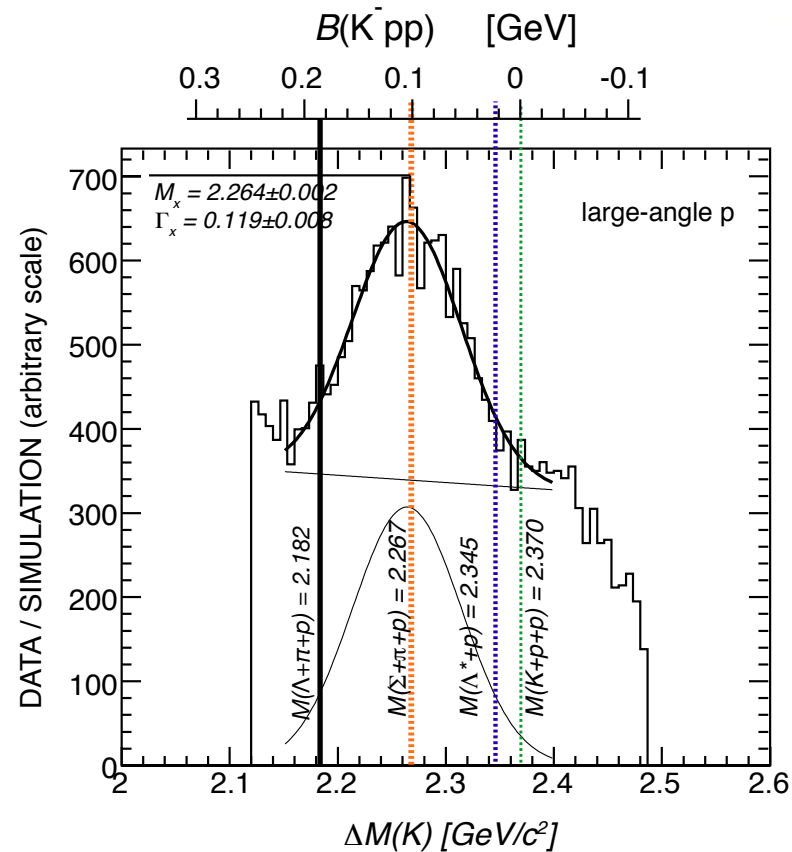
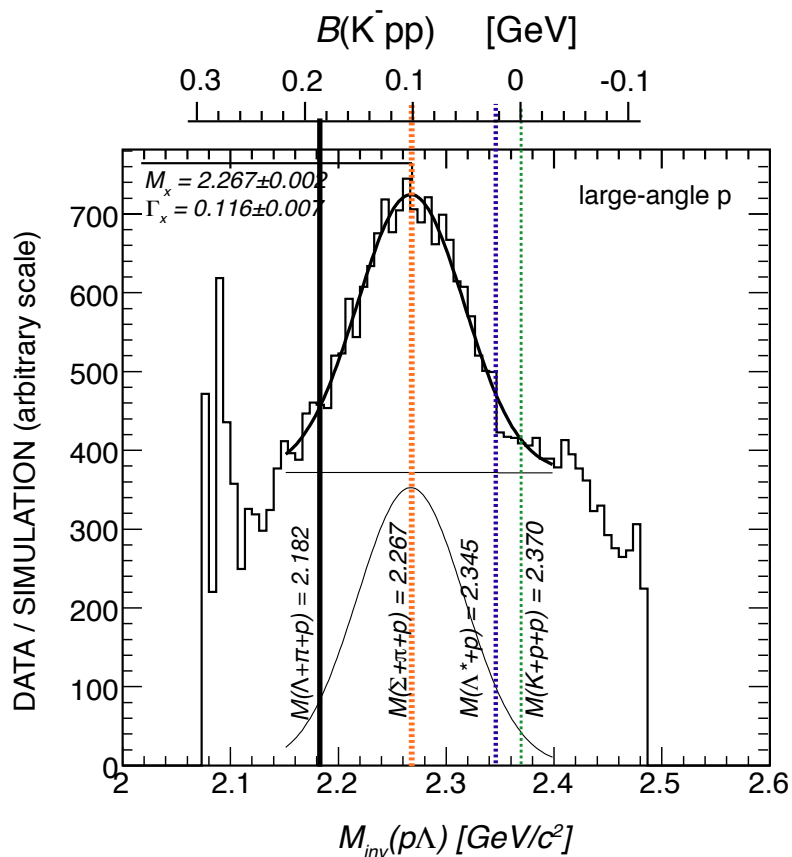


(b) proton cut: small angle

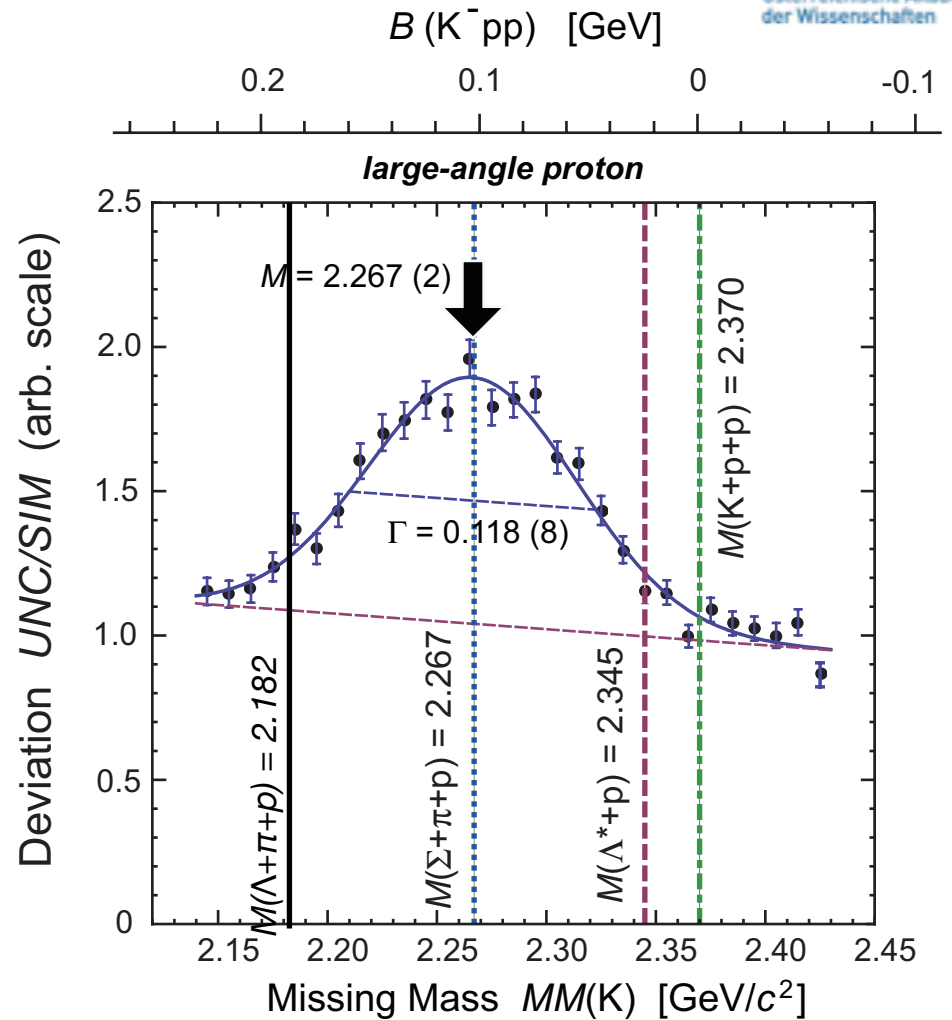
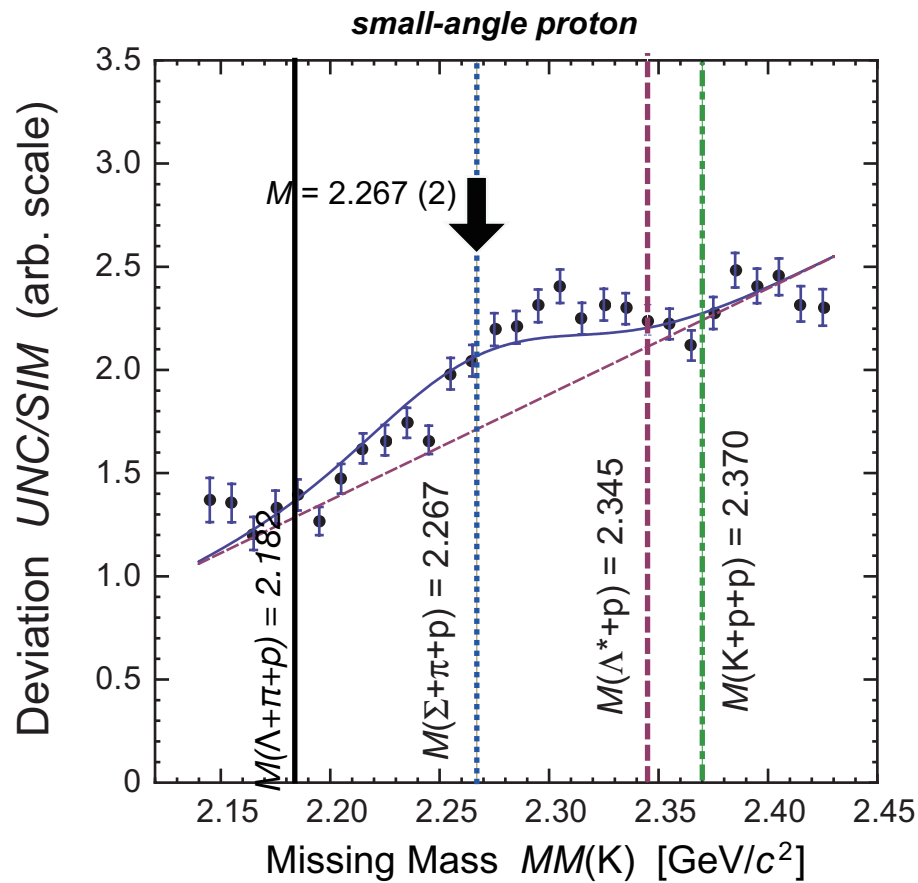




# $MM / M_{inv}$ spectrum

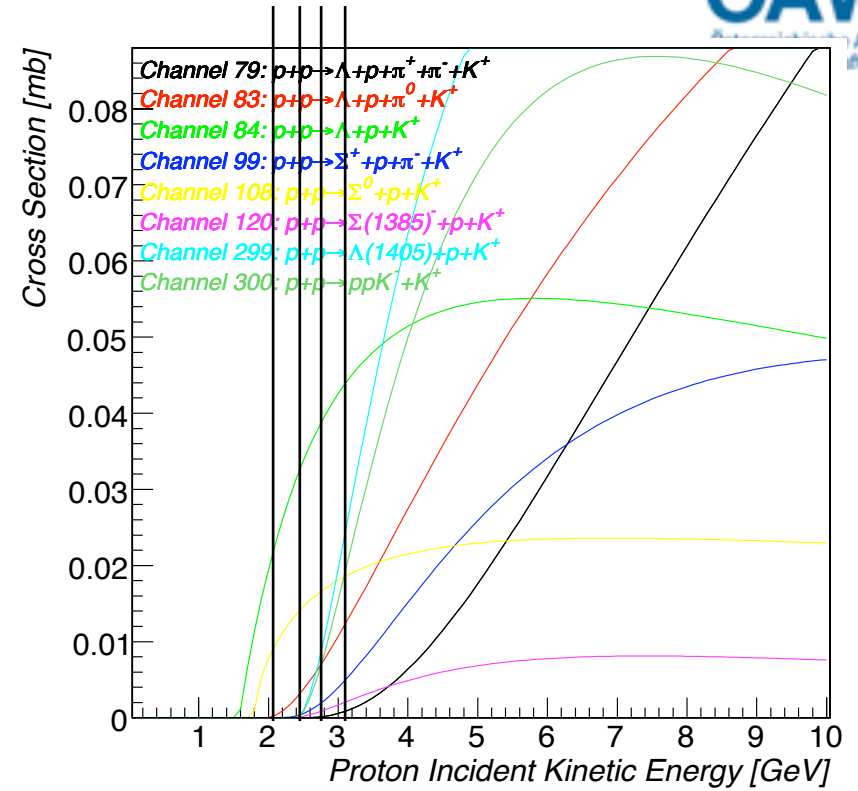
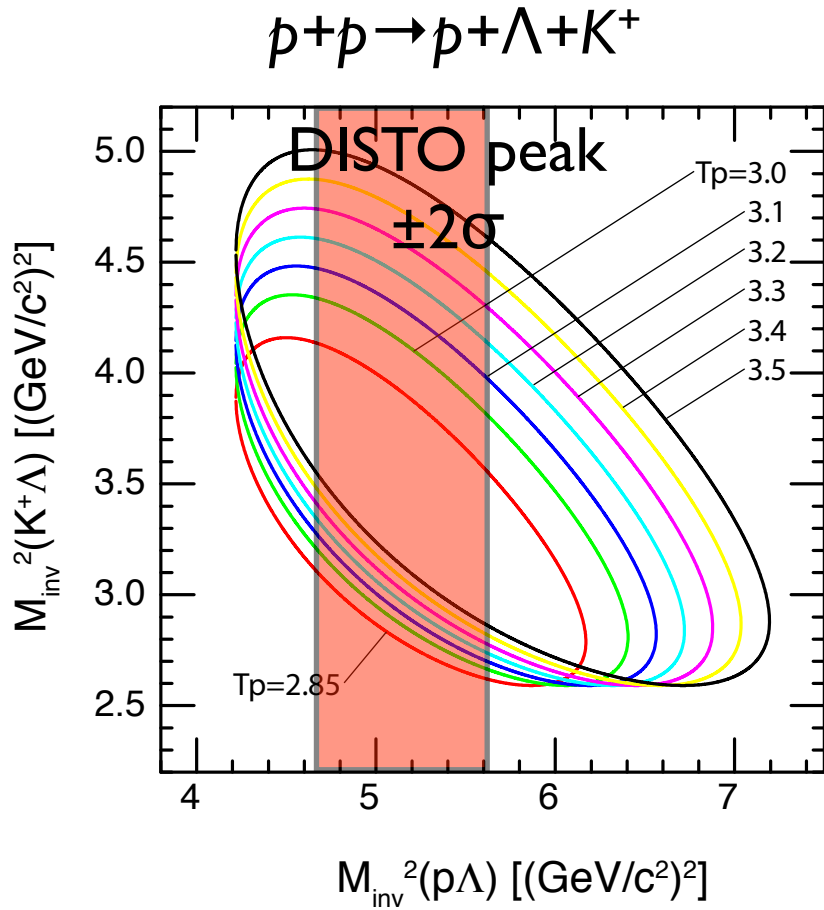


- $X$  component consistent in both cases,
  - symmetric shape
  - background description still primitive

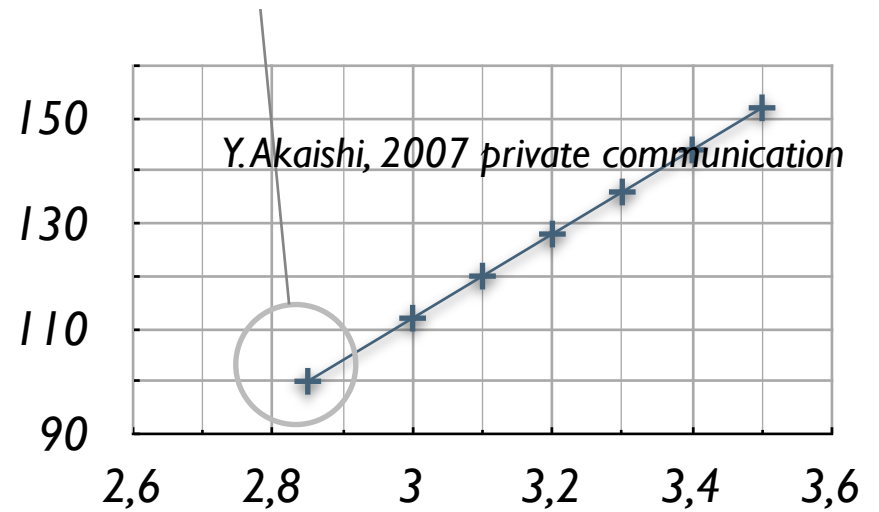


- *Binding energy and width does not much with any theory*

# Beam Energy Dependence



Relative range  $M_{inv}^2(p\Lambda)$



- *Exclusive measurement of  $pp \rightarrow p\Lambda K^+$  reaction, to the question of an existence of kaonic nuclear states at FOPI and DISTO*
- *DISTO sees  $pp \rightarrow K^+X$  process which fulfills a certain (but not full) picture of  $K^-pp$  production („Indication“: PRL104 2010 132502)*
  - *Mid. July DISTO analysis week*
- *FOPI analysis in progress*
- *Energy dependence study: lower (less/no knucl.) energy (DISTO, COSY?), higher (more optimal) energy (FOPI).*

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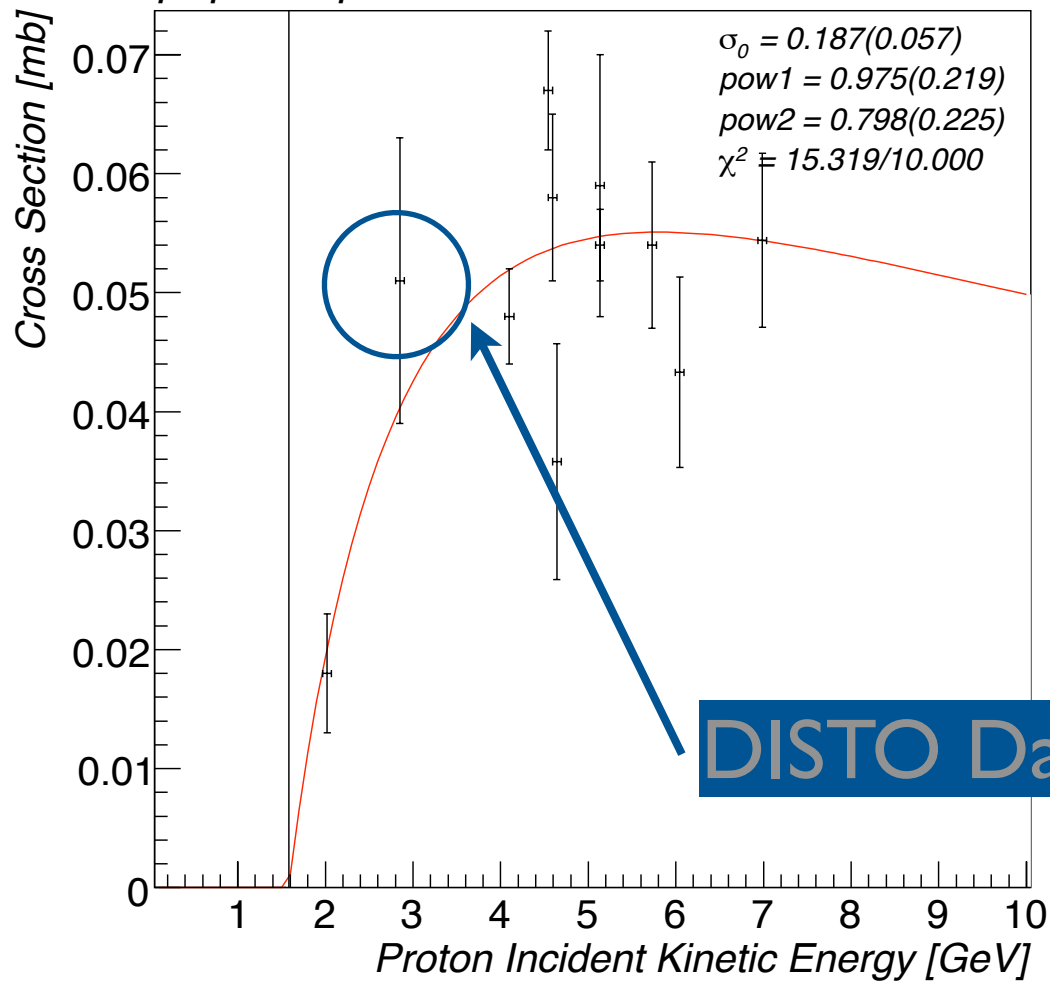
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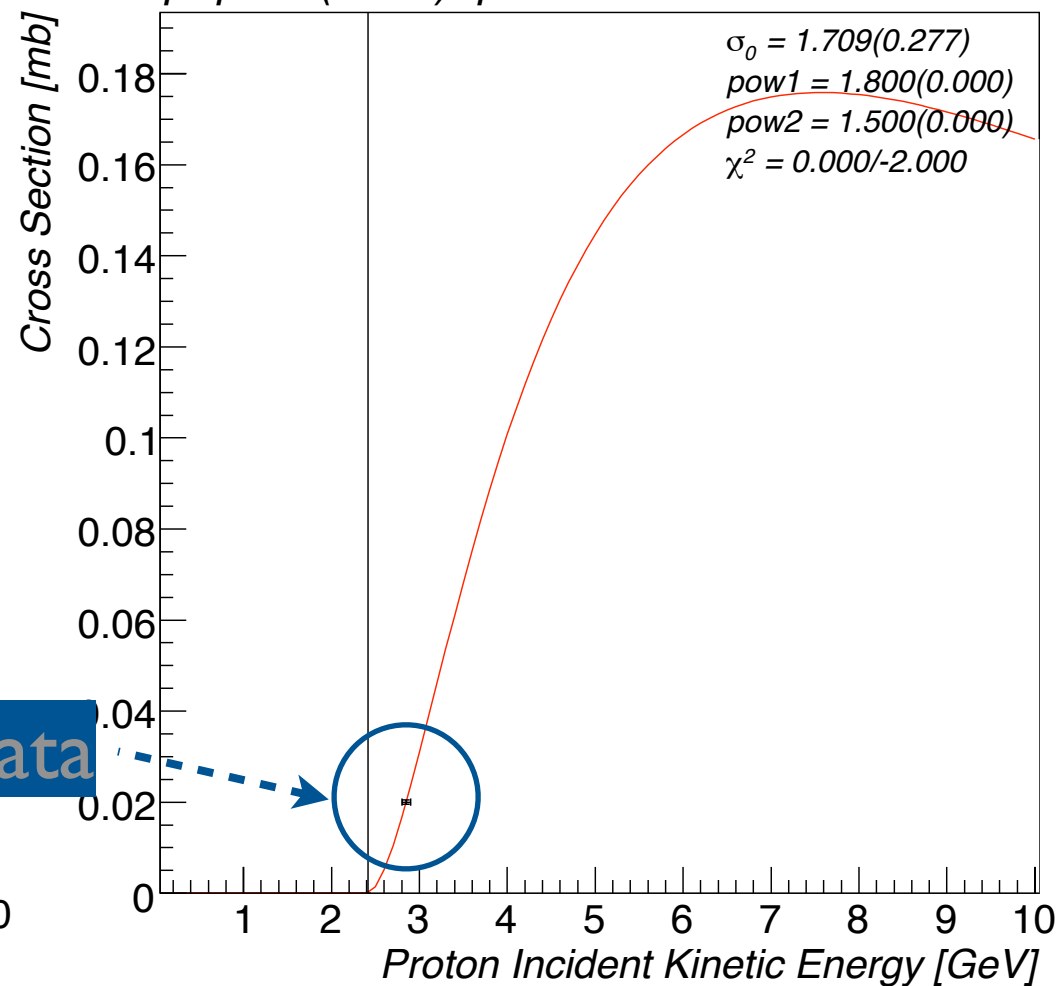
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# DISTO Data

Channel 84:  
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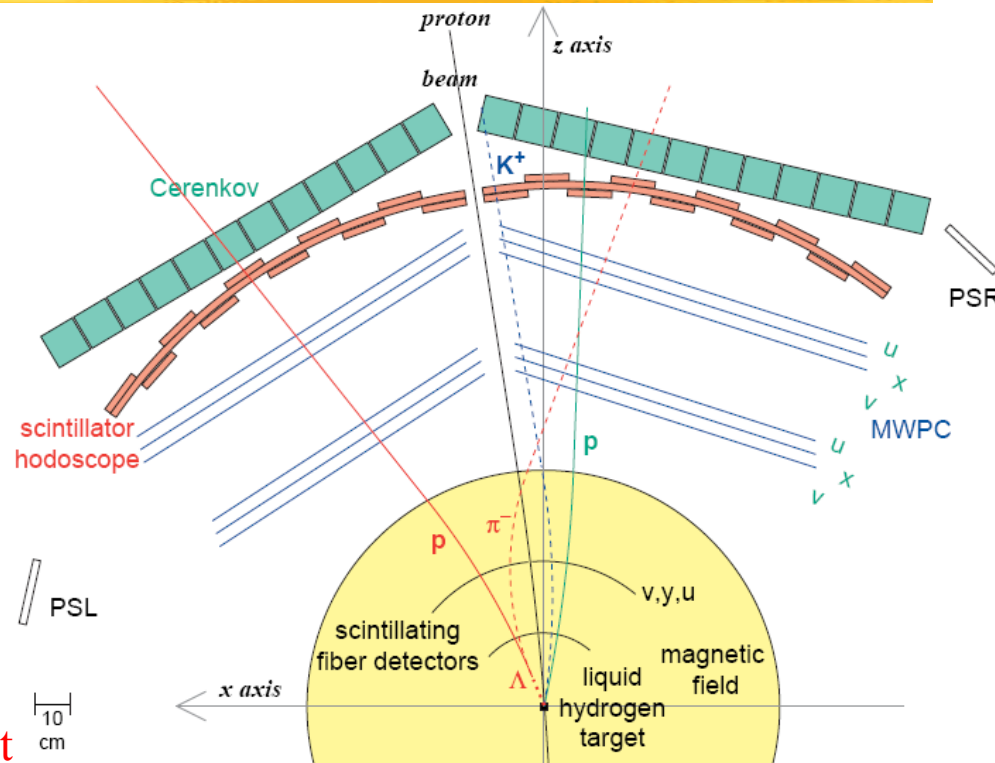
Channel 299:  
 $p+p \rightarrow \Lambda(1405) + p + K^+$



# DISTO Experiment

DISTO @ Saturne: polarised proton beam up to  $T = 2.9$  GeV

Acceptance:  
 $\Delta\phi = \pm 15.5^\circ$   
 $\Delta\theta = \pm 45^\circ$



- 2-cm thick unpolarised  $\text{LH}_2$  target
- **S170 magnet** ( $< 14.7$  KGauss,  $\Delta\theta = \pm 120^\circ$ ,  $\Delta\phi = \pm 20^\circ$ )
- semi-cylindrical 1mm-square **scintillating fibers** triplets inside magnet
- **MWPC** planar triplets outside magnet
- **scintillator hodoscopes** vertically and horizontally segmented
- **scintillator hodoscopes** as polarimeter slabs
- doped water **Cerenkov counters**

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# $pp \rightarrow p\Lambda K(x)$

## Hyperon production @ DISTO

Reaction	$T_{thr}$	Detected Prongs
$\vec{p} p \rightarrow p K^+ \vec{\Lambda}$	1.58	$p K^+ (p \pi^-)$
$\vec{p} p \rightarrow p K^+ \vec{\Sigma}^0$ $\vec{\Sigma}^0 \rightarrow \vec{\Lambda} \gamma$	1.79	$p K^+ (p \pi^-)$
$\vec{p} p \rightarrow p K^+ \Sigma_{(1385)}^{*0}$	2.34	$p K^+ (p \pi^-)$ from $\Lambda \pi^0$ or $\Sigma^0 \pi^0$ $p K^+ \pi^+ (\pi^-)$ from $\Sigma^- \pi^+$ $p K^+ \pi^- (p)$ or $(\pi^+)$ from $\Sigma^+ \pi^-$
$\vec{p} p \rightarrow p K^+ \Lambda_{(1405)}^*$	2.40	$p K^+ \pi^+ (\pi^-)$ from $\Sigma^- \pi^+$ $p K^+ (p \pi^-)$ from $\Sigma^0 \pi^0$ $p K^+ \pi^- (p)$ or $(\pi^+)$ from $\Sigma^+ \pi^-$

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Lambda Gate on $\Delta M_{pK_{thr}}$		Detected Prongs
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