



Apparatus for Meson and Baryon  
Experimental Research

## **Status and long-range plans**

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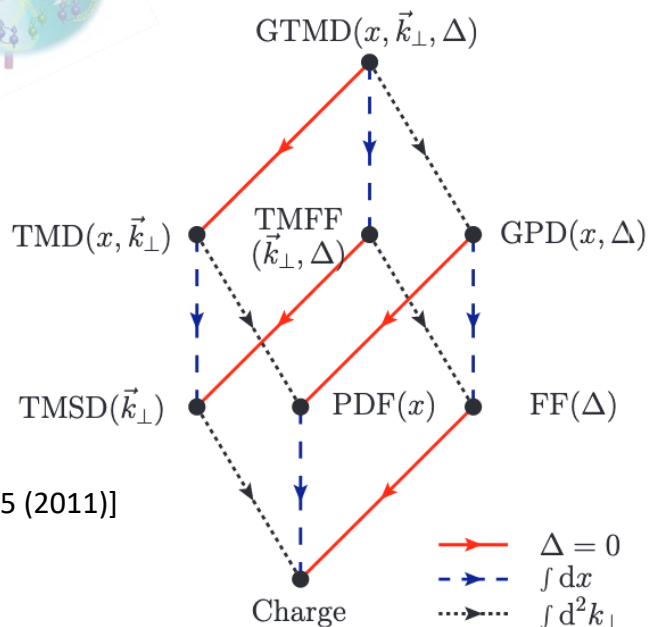
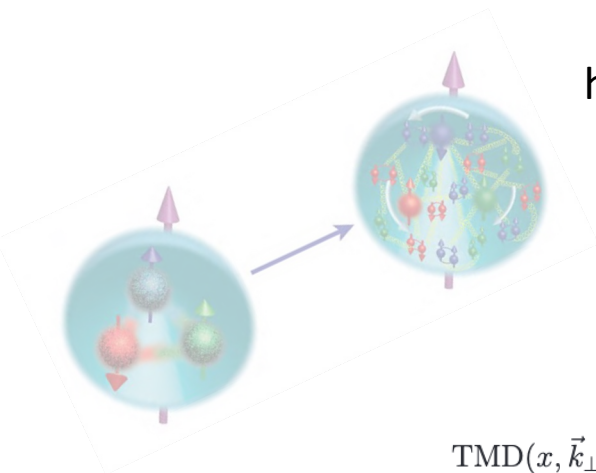
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9. December 2022

# Open fundamental questions in QCD

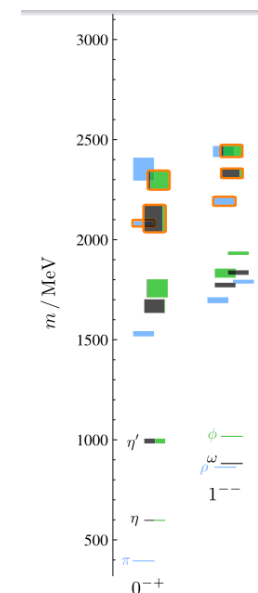
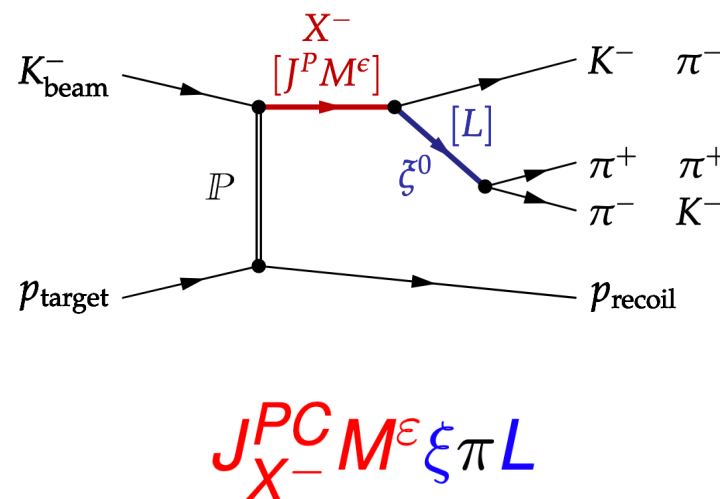
QCD **partons** in  
hadronic systems



[from: Lorcé, Pasquini,  
Vanderhaeghen, JHEP05 (2011)]

The complete picture:  
Wigner distributions

The **excitation** scheme  
of hadronic systems



[from: B. Grube, EHM  
workshop (2020)]

Measurable quantities: (iso)spin-parity,  
masses, couplings and decay widths

# Masses of the light hadrons

Pion



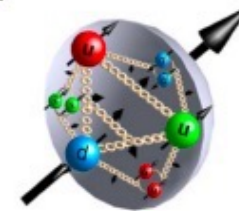
- $M_\pi \sim 140\text{MeV}$
- Spin 0
- 2 light valence quarks

Kaon



- $M_K \sim 490\text{MeV}$
- Spin 0
- 1 light and 1 “heavy” valence quarks

Proton

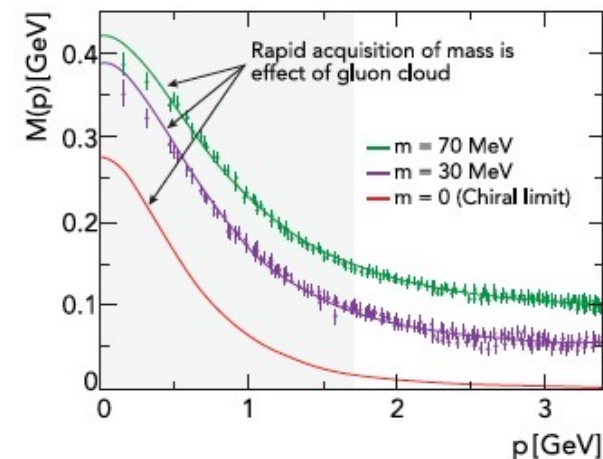
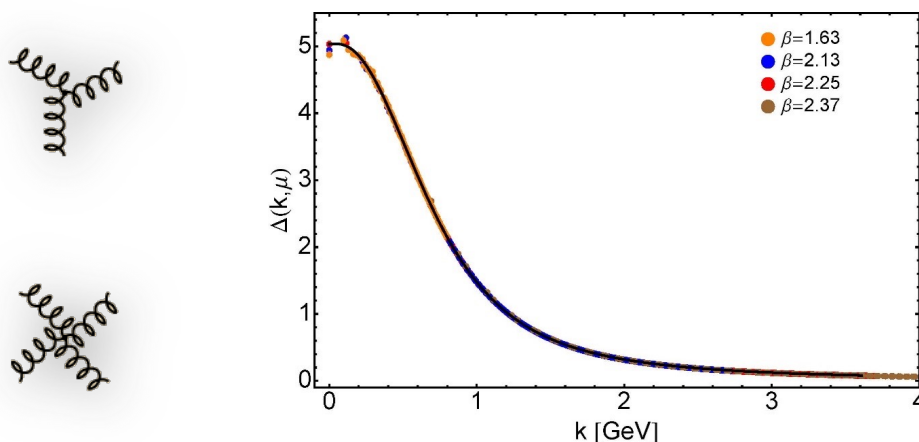


- $M_p \sim 940\text{MeV}$
- Spin 1/2
- 3 light valence quarks

- As composite systems, we want to **understand hadrons in terms of their constituents**: the QCD quarks and gluons
- The **Higgs mass** of the valence quarks contributes **only little** to the physical hadron masses
- **Pion-to-proton mass ratio 1/7** much different from the constituent-quark inspired value of 2/3

# Emergent Hadron Mass

- Dynamic generation of mass in continuum QCD
- Gluon self-interaction in the infra-red leads to gluon “self-mass generation”

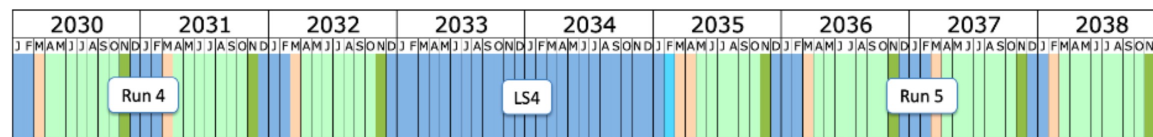
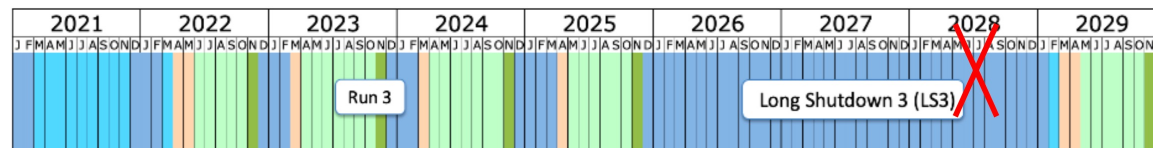
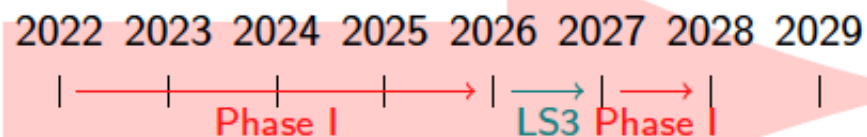
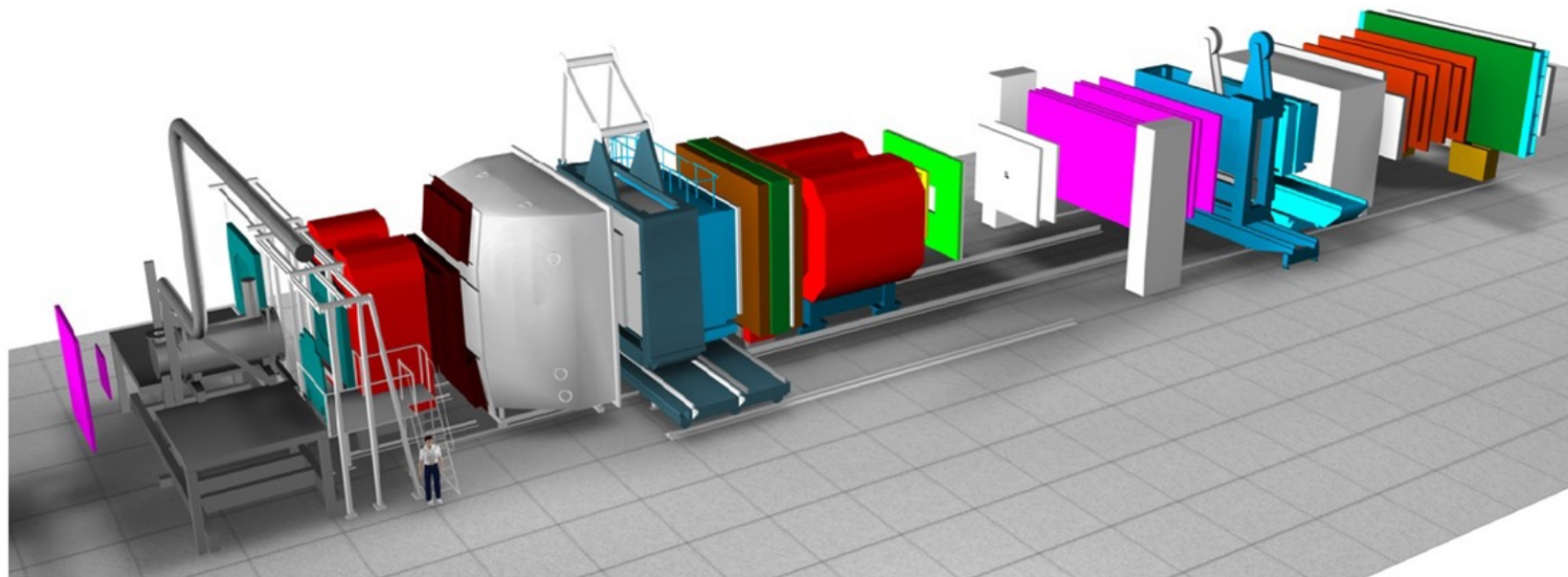


- Emergence of Hadron Mass is to some extent understood within continuum and lattice QCD calculations
- Prove and provide more input by measurement of

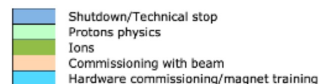
- Quark and gluon PDFs of pion, kaon and proton
- Hadron radii as consequence of confinement
- Mass spectra of excited mesons

# AMBER Collaboration and timelines

- Successor of *COMPASS*
- with appropriate extensions and modernisations
- at the CERN M2 beamline
- ~200 physicists from 34 institutes



Last updated: January 2022



- Letter of Intent 2018 as COMPASS++/AMBER ([arXiv:1808.00848](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.00848)) for upgrades and extensions of the setup
- Use of conventional and radio-frequency (RF) separated beams

- 1) Proton radius by high-energy muon scattering
- 2) Pion PDFs with Drell-Yan processes
- 3) Antiproton production cross-sections for DM searches

- Proposal in two Phases
- Phase-1 approved by SPSC in December 2020
- Phase-2 in drafting stage, plan to submit in 2023
- MoU draft close to final, signatures expected by end of 2022

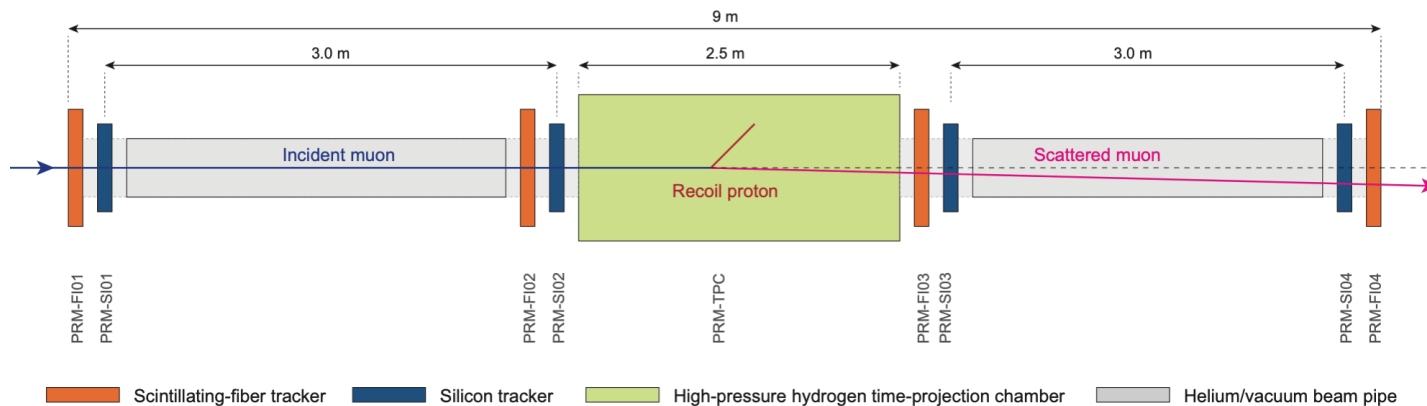
- Gluon PDFs of mesons
- Spectroscopy of strange mesons
- Meson charge radii
- Meson-photon reactions in Primakoff kinematics: polarisabilities, chiral couplings

Phase-1  
with conventional  
hadron and muon  
beams  
2022 → 2028

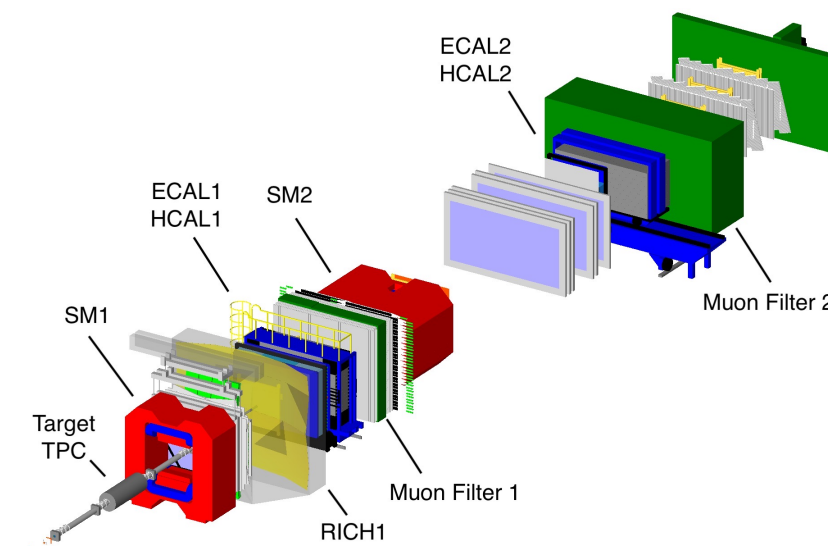
Phase-2  
with conventional  
(or rf-separated)  
beams  
2029 and beyond



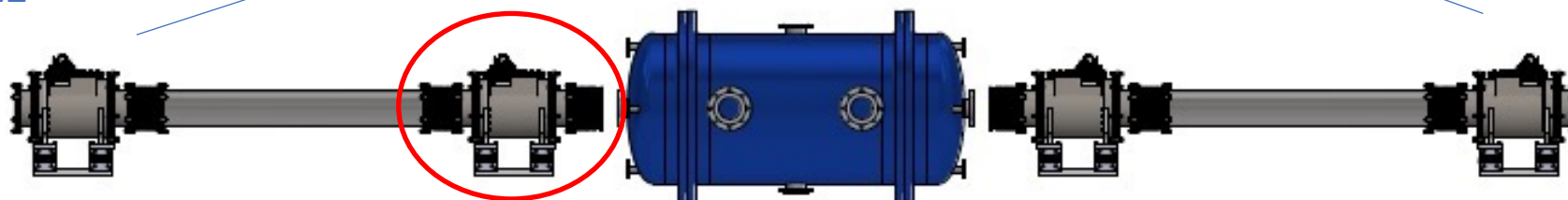
# Proton radius



- 100 GeV muon beam
- Active-target TPC with high-pressure  $H_2$
- goal: 70 million elastic scattering events in the  $10^{-3} < Q^2 < 4 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ GeV}^2$  range
- Precision on the proton radius  $\sim 0.01 \text{ fm}$
- Test run with small IKAR TPC in 2021, [tracking detector tests in 2022](#)
- Pilot run in 2023



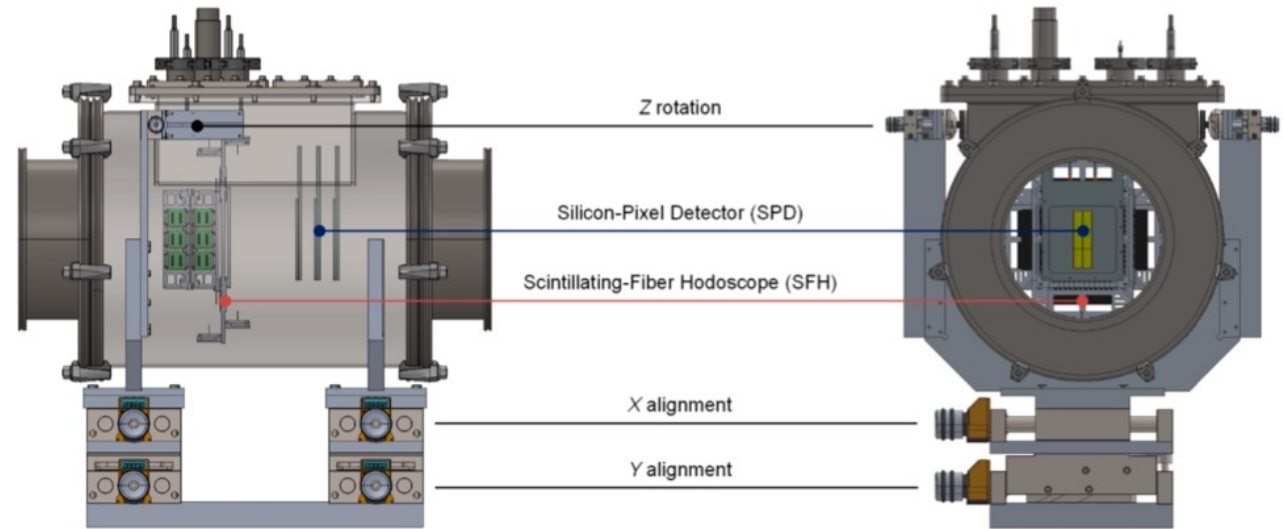
**New device: Unified Tracking station**



# Unified Tracking Station

Scintillating Fiber Hodoscope  
*for precise timing  $< 1$  ns*

Silicon-pixel detectors (ALPIDE)  
*for high spatial resolution  $\sim 10$   $\mu\text{m}$*



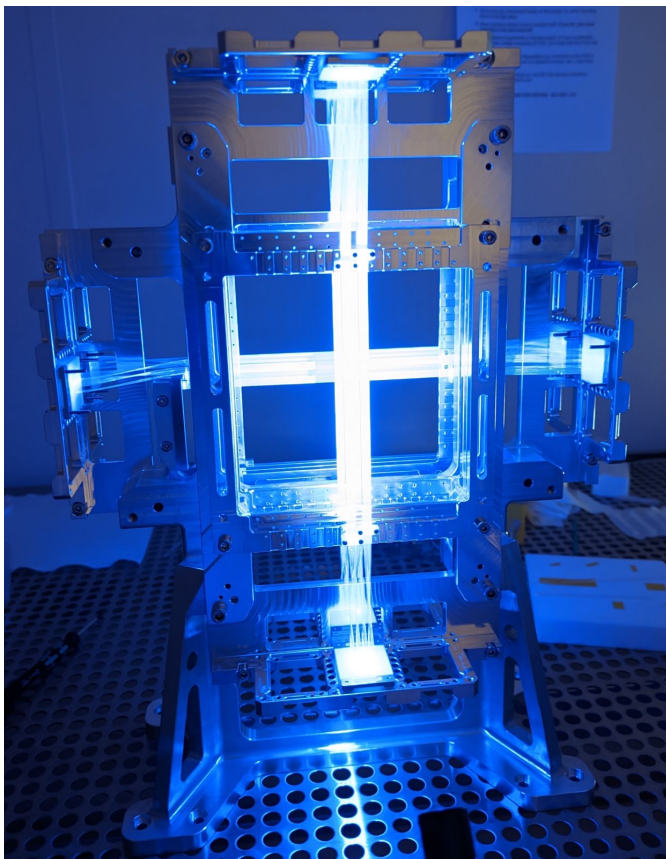
UTS design and  
construction at TUM

Installation near the target  
position during the last  
weeks of COMPASS run 2022

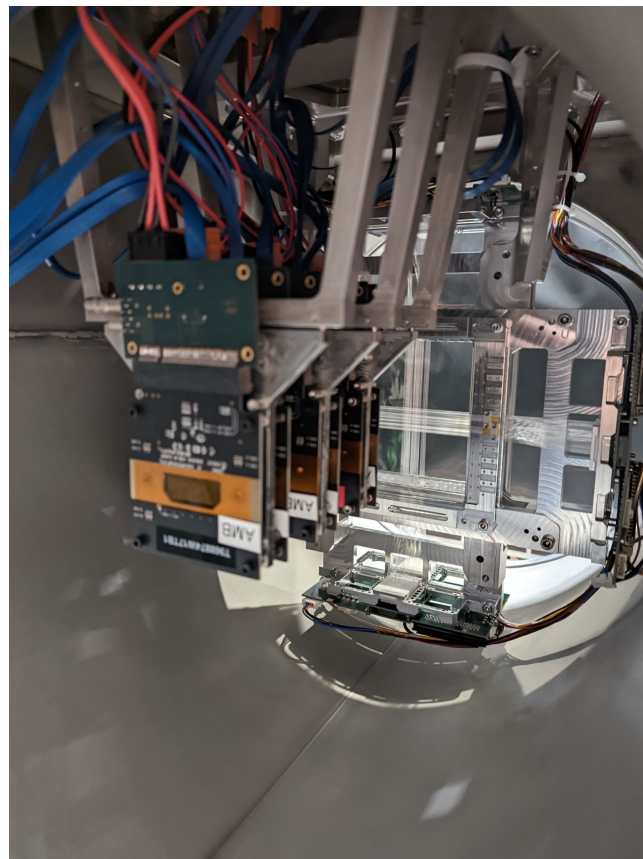




# UTS – first test results

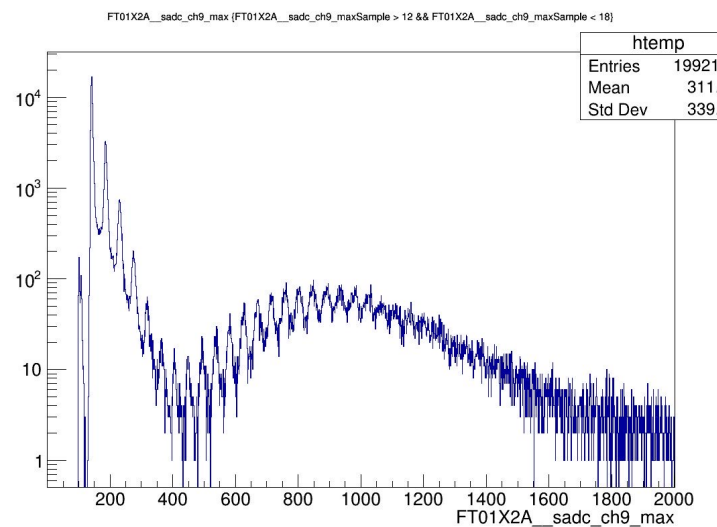


SFH (partly equipped)  
standing in lab



ALPIDEs and SFH  
hanging in UTS

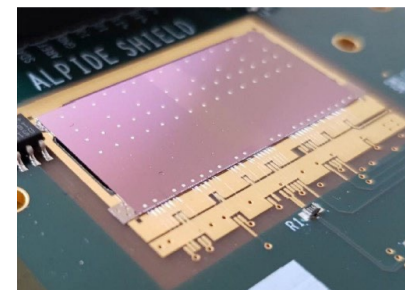
Successful operation of the  
tracking prototype detectors  
in November 2022



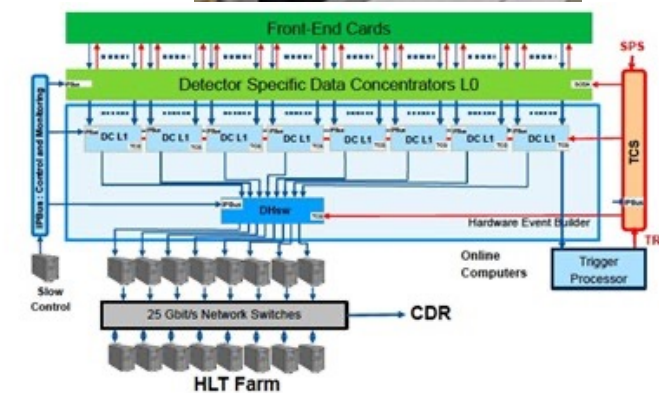
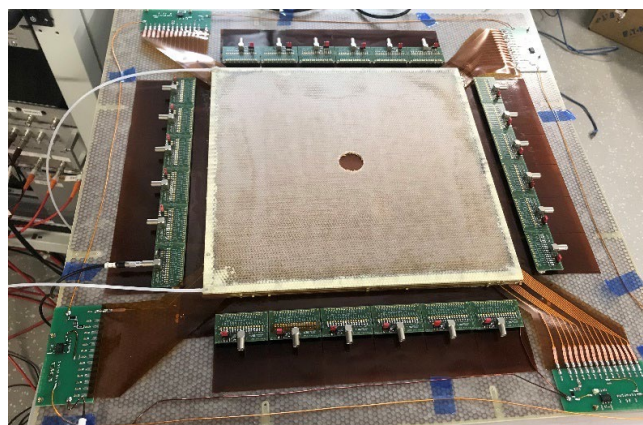
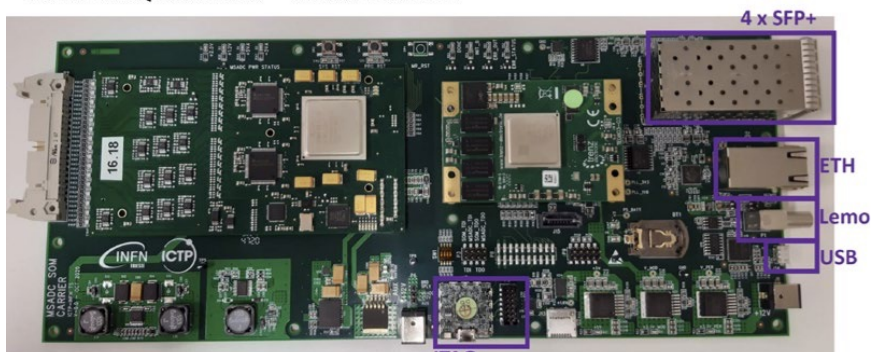
Promising online control of  
the SFH data

# New hardware for Phase-1

- Triggerless DAQ and HLT (**Freiburg**, **Mainz**, **Munich**, Prague, Toms, Warsaw)
- High-pressure hydrogen TPC (**GSI**, PNPI, Glasgow)
- C/W, LH2, LHe target (Lisbon, CERN, Prague, Virginia, Yamagata)
- SciFi/Silicon Pixel tracking stations (**Freiburg**, **Munich**, Torino)
- DY vertex detector (Argonne, Illinois, Los Alamos, Torino)
- Large-area MPGD detectors with self-triggering readout (**Bonn**, CERN EP-DT, Torino, JINR)
- Self-triggered electronics for ECAL (**Munich**, Trieste, Warsaw)
- Upgrade CEDAR electronics for high rates (CERN, Warsaw)



ECAL2 DAQ Hardware – Carrier Board III

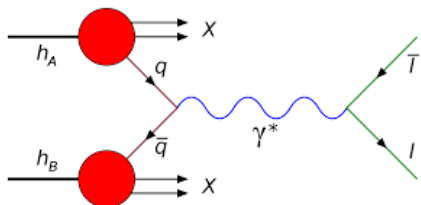




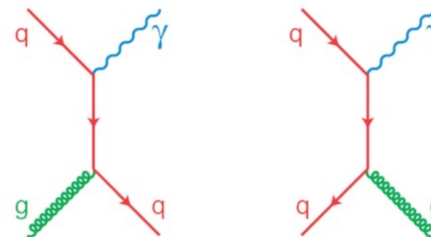
# German interest in AMBER

- The engagement of the German groups focuses on the parts of the program where **long-term expertise is proven**, concerning hardware and analysis (proton radius, in phase-2: meson spectroscopy, low-energy constants, meson radii)
- Envisaged German contribution to AMBER investments (phase-1): about 25% (<1 M€)
- About **500 k€** have been **contributed already** from own institutional resources (TPC, GEM, UTS)
- Most **new detectors developments** have been **successfully tested as prototypes**
- Many of the BMBF investments into COMPASS that was made over the past 2 decades will be further of use for science

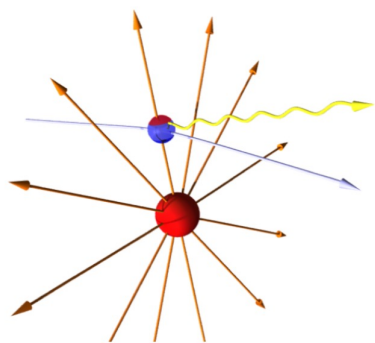
# Physics ideas of the Phase-2 proposal



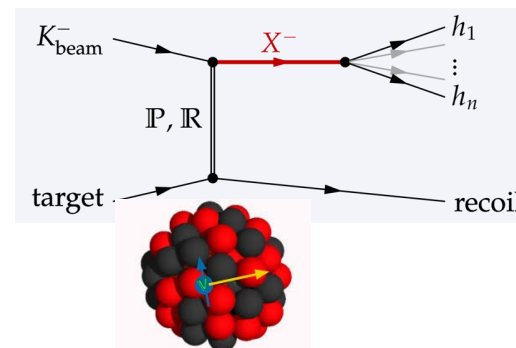
- Kaon structure via the Drell-Yan process



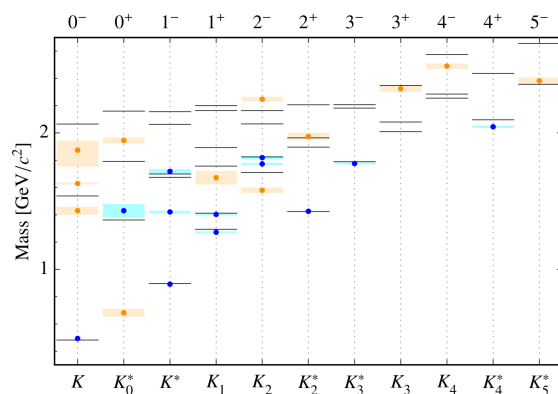
- Gluon structure of pions and kaons via prompt photons



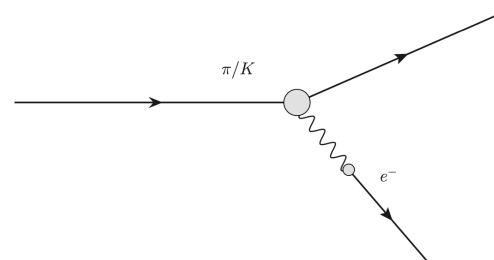
- Primakoff reactions to investigate kaon-photon coupling: kaon polarisability,  $F_{KK\pi}$



- Diffractive production of vector mesons and di-jets to study distribution amplitudes



- Spectroscopy of mesons with strangeness



- Meson charge radii via electron scattering in inverse kinematics

*Interested? We are open for more ideas, and people entering for analysis (also of existing data), simulation,...*

# Primakoff reactions of Kaon beams

COMPASS legacy: Measurements of fundamental **pion properties** relevant in Chiral Perturbation Theory

- Pion polarisability in  $\pi\gamma \rightarrow \pi\gamma$  (PRL 114, 062002, 2015)

$$\alpha_\pi = (2.0 \pm 0.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.7_{\text{syst}}) \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3$$

- Chiral dynamics in  $\pi\gamma \rightarrow 3\pi$  (PRL 108, 192001, 2012)

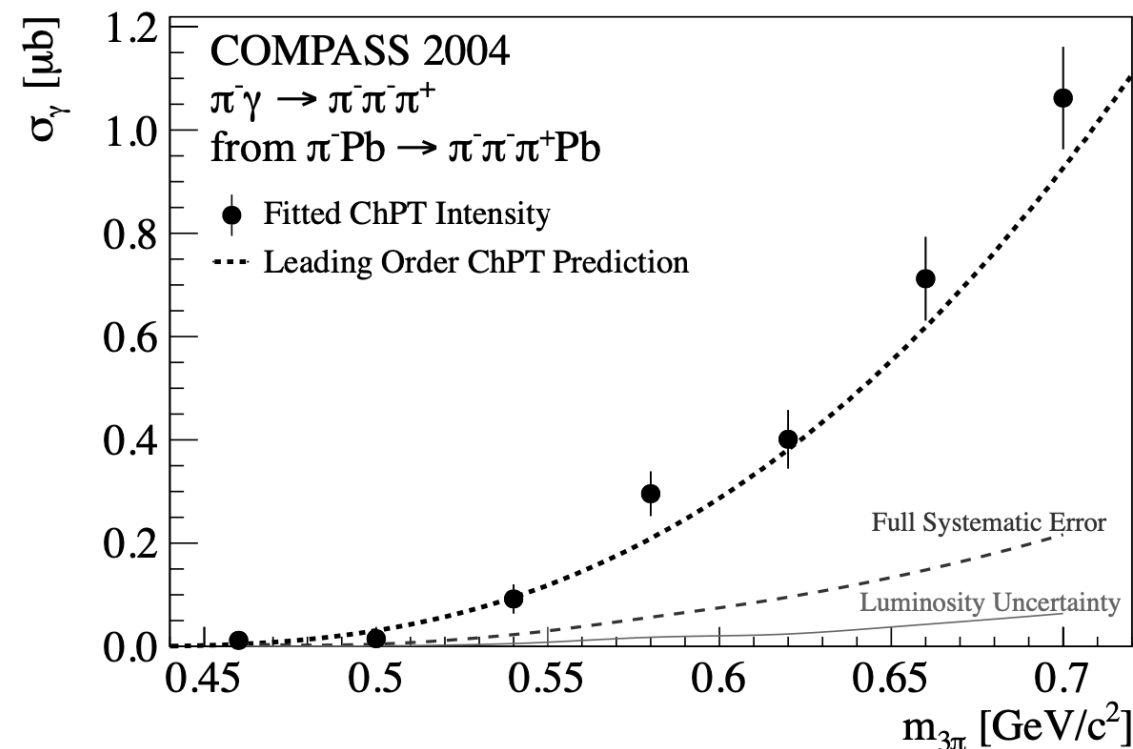
- Chiral anomaly in  $\pi\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi^0$

$$F_{3\pi}^{\text{COMPASS,prelim}} = (10.3 \pm 0.1_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.6_{\text{syst}}) \text{ GeV}^{-3}$$

**AMBER**: explore equivalent properties **for Kaons**

- Chiral anomaly in  $K\gamma \rightarrow K\pi^0$

Theory framework:



Eur. Phys. J. C (2021) 81:221  
<https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-021-08951-x>

Regular Article - Theoretical Physics

**Dispersive analysis of the Primakoff reaction  $\gamma K \rightarrow K\pi$**

Maximilian Dax<sup>1,a</sup>, Dominik Stamen<sup>1,b</sup>, Bastian Kubis<sup>1,c</sup>

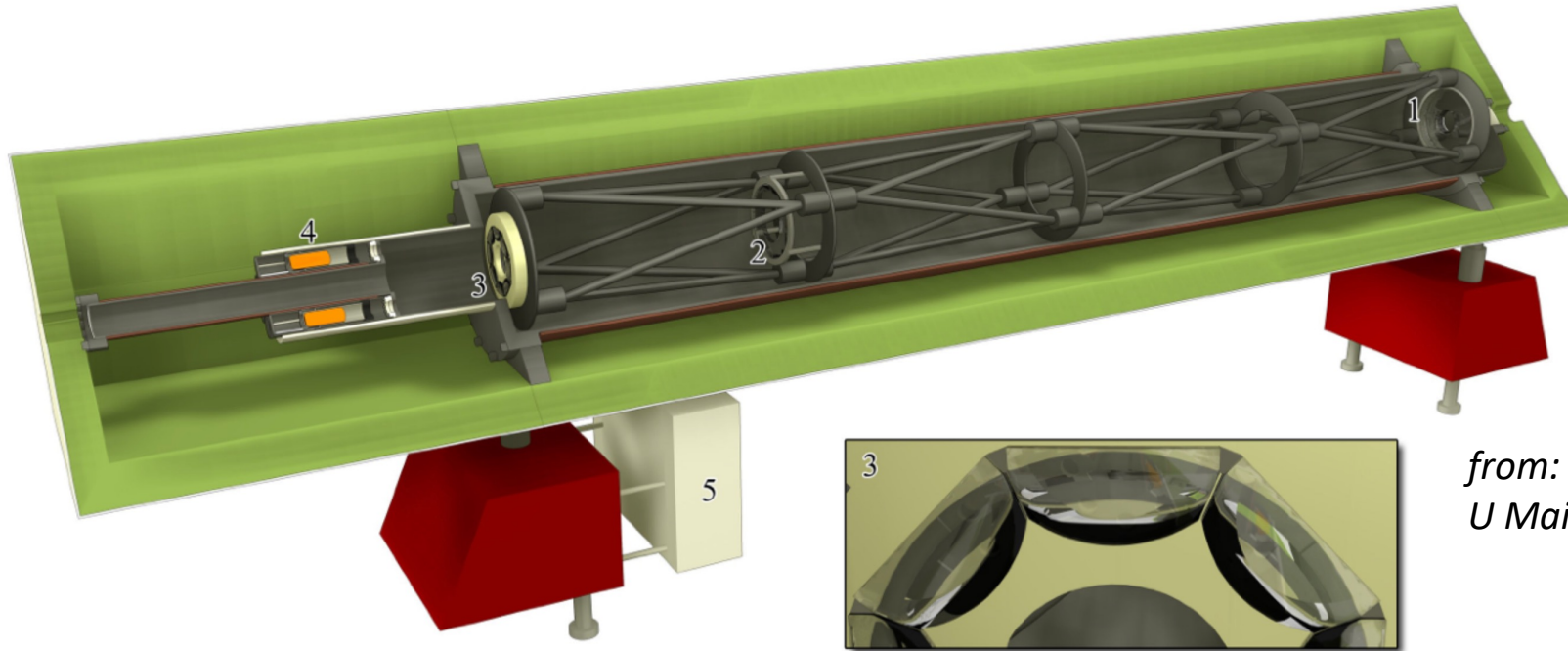
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# Beam PID by CEDARs

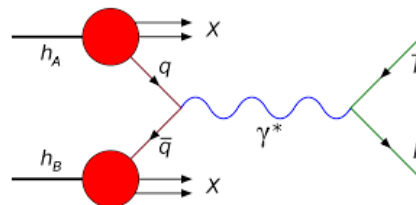


*from: P. Jasinski, PhD thesis  
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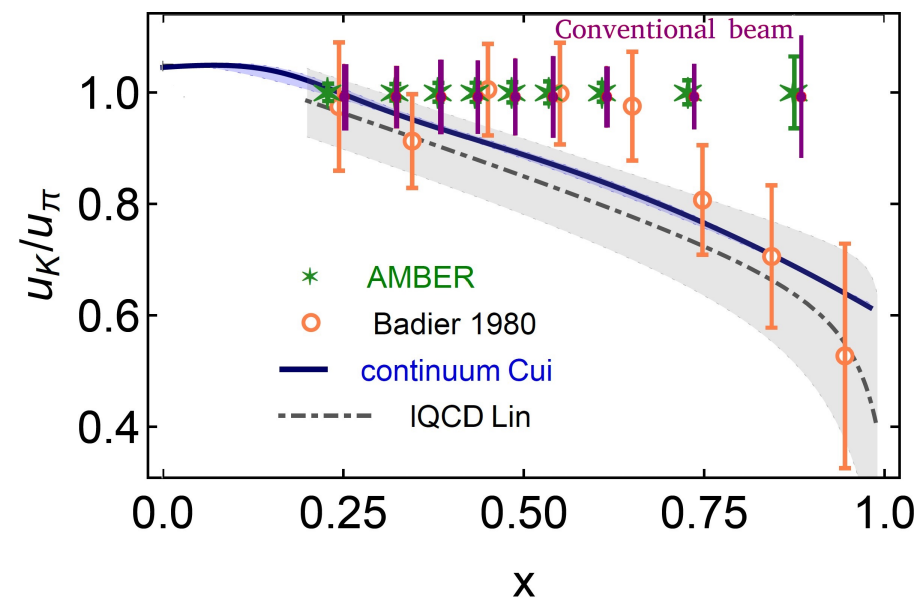
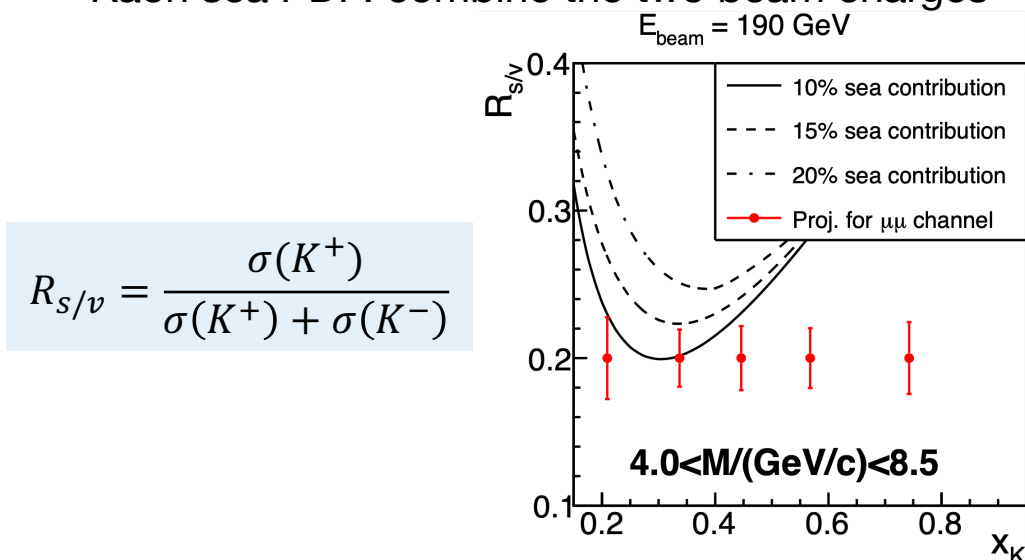
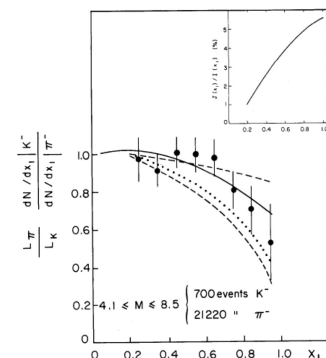
- High-efficiency and high-purity beam particle identification is of key importance in all scenarios of hadron beams
- Optimum operation not only concerns mechanics and optics (temperature stabilization, photon detection), but as well parallelism of the incoming beam → material budget of the beamline

# Kaon structure via the Drell-Yan process

- Available data
  - Only 700 events from NA3
  - The kaon valence distributions are practically unknown
  - There is no data on kaon sea and gluon content
- Prospects for AMBER measurements
  - Kaon valence PDF: can be addressed with negative kaon beam
  - Kaon sea PDF: combine the two beam charges



NA3: PLB 93 (1980) 354



# Exotic mesons

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \text{Oval with } J^{PC} & = & \text{Diagram 1} & + & \text{Diagram 2} & + & \text{Diagram 3} & + & \text{Diagram 4} & + & \text{Diagram 5} & + & \dots \\
 & & (q\bar{q}) & & (qq)(\bar{q}\bar{q}) & & (q\bar{q})(q\bar{q}) & & (q\bar{q})g & & (gg) & & \\
 & & & & \text{Tetraquark} & & \text{Molecule} & & \text{Hybrid} & & \text{Glueball} & & 
 \end{array}$$

## How to identify them?

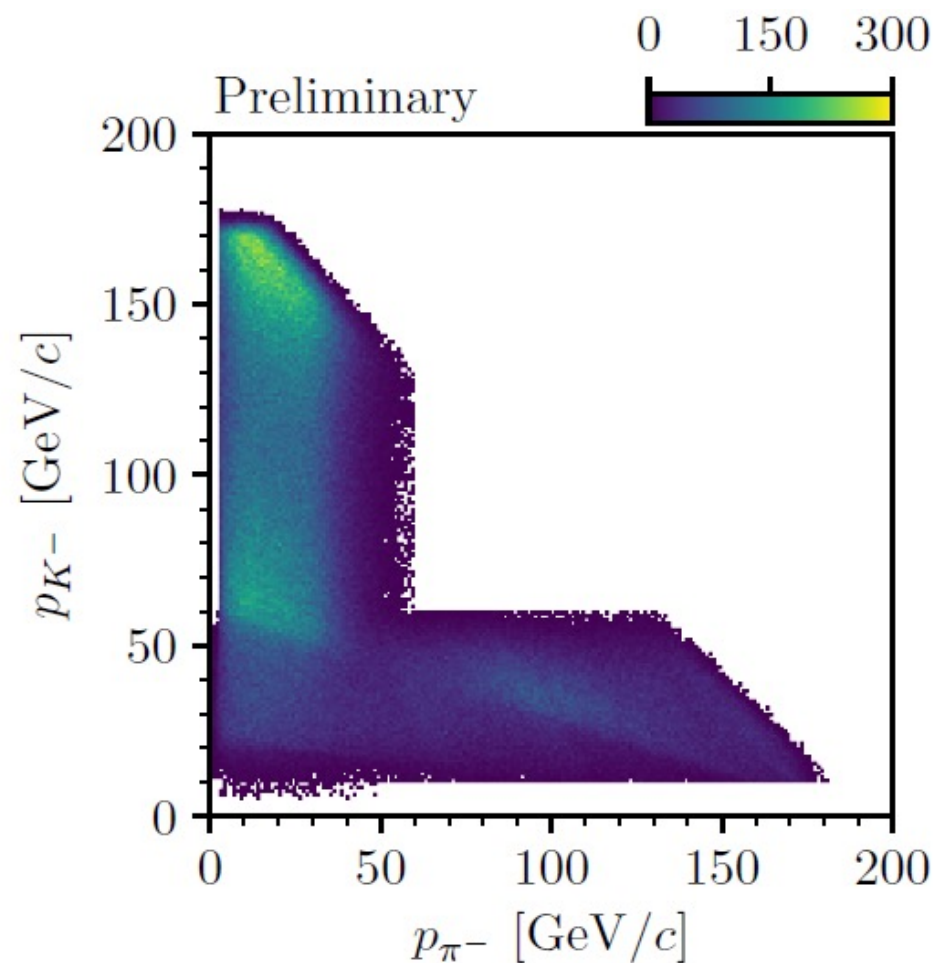
- Spin-exotic:  $J^{PC} = 0^{--}, 0^{+-}, 1^{-+}, \dots$
- Supernumerary states
- Flavor-exotic:  $|Q|, |I_3|, |S|, |C| \geq 2$
- Comparison with models, lattice

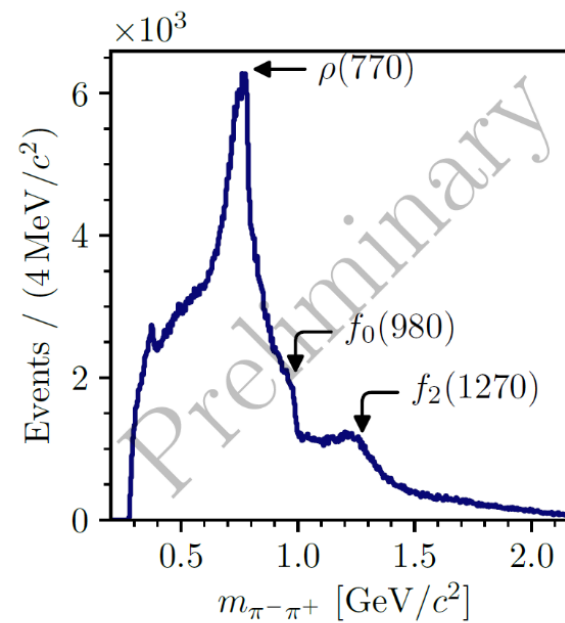
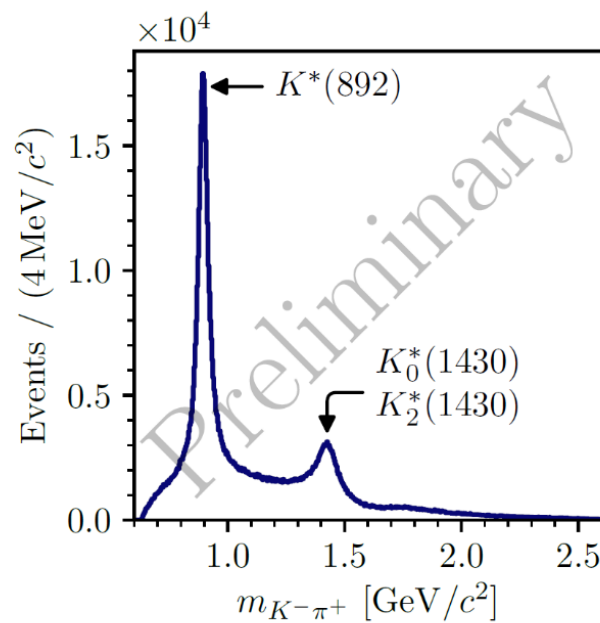
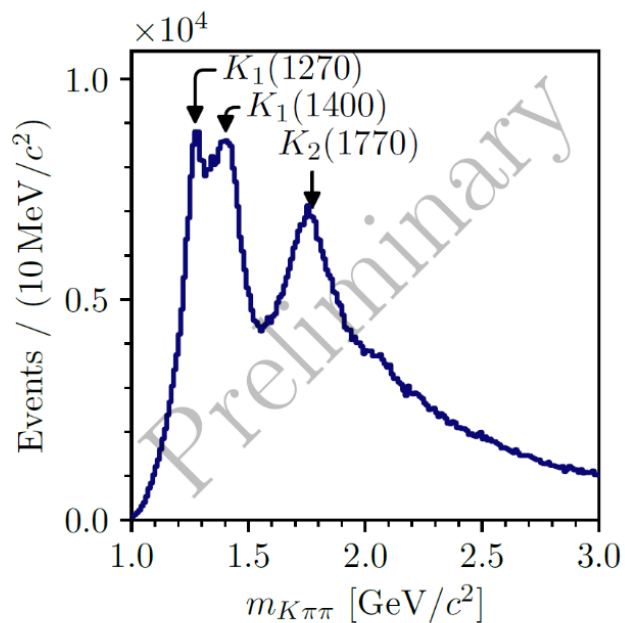
## Need:

- Large data sets with small statistical uncertainties
  - Complementary experiments – production mechanisms – final states
  - Advanced analysis methods
- reaction models theoretical constraints

# Limitations at COMPASS

- For e.g. the  $K^-\pi^-\pi^+$  final state in diffractive scattering, the two negative particles have to be distinguished
- RICH detector has a blind kinematic corner (for 190 GeV beam)
- Difficult to take into account in a PWA





Study reaction  $K^- + p \rightarrow K^- \pi^- \pi^+ + p$  by tagging beam kaons (2.4%)

$\Rightarrow$  access to all kaon states:  $K_J, K_J^*$

$\Rightarrow$  world's largest data set so far: 720 000 exclusive events (ACCMOR: 200k ev.)

Goal for AMBER: collect  $10 - 20 \times 10^6$  exclusive  $K^- \pi^- \pi^+$  events



# Conclusions

- NA66/AMBER at CERN has **started its Phase-1** of a broad hadron physics programme at the M2 beamline
- The physics cases of **Phase-2** are being worked on for a **proposal to SPSC in 2023**
- The German AMBER groups intend to apply for funding in the coming BMBF period

## NuPECC LRP2024 Community input

30 May 2022 to 30 October 2022

### 125. [AMBER at CERN](#)

The AMBER collaboration, approved by the CERN SPS Committee as north-area experiment NA66, pursues a broad programme in hadron structure and hadron spectroscopy using a versatile spectrometer setup at the CERN SPS M2 beam-line.

<https://home.cern/news/news/physics/meet-amber>

## Meet AMBER

The next-generation successor of the COMPASS experiment will measure fundamental properties of the proton and its relatives

8 MARCH, 2021 | By [Ana Lopes](#)

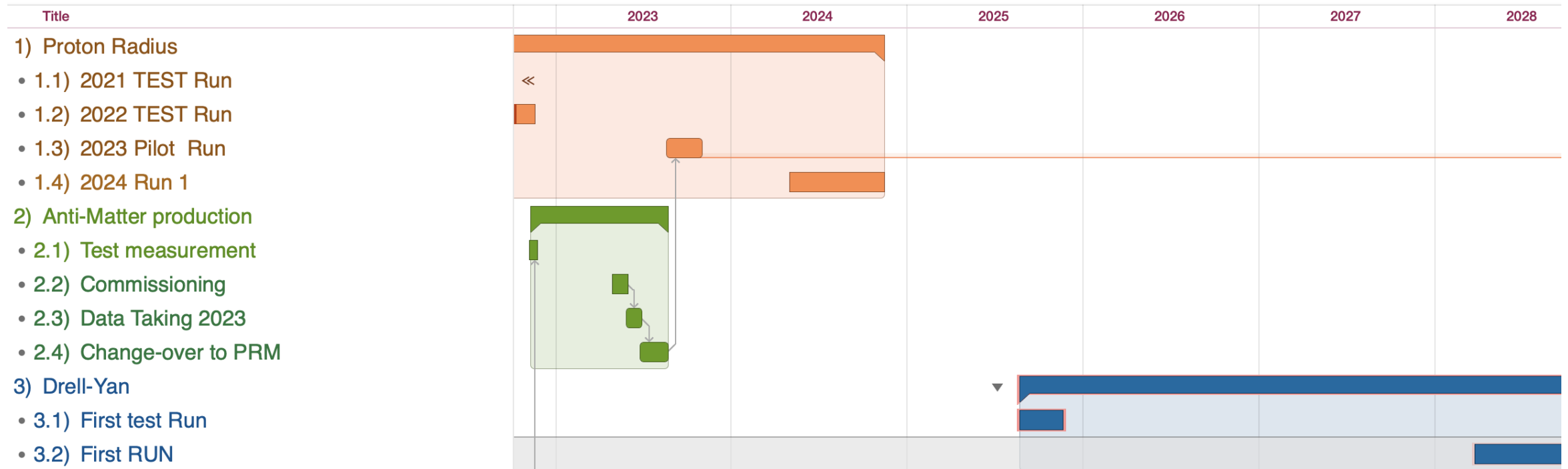


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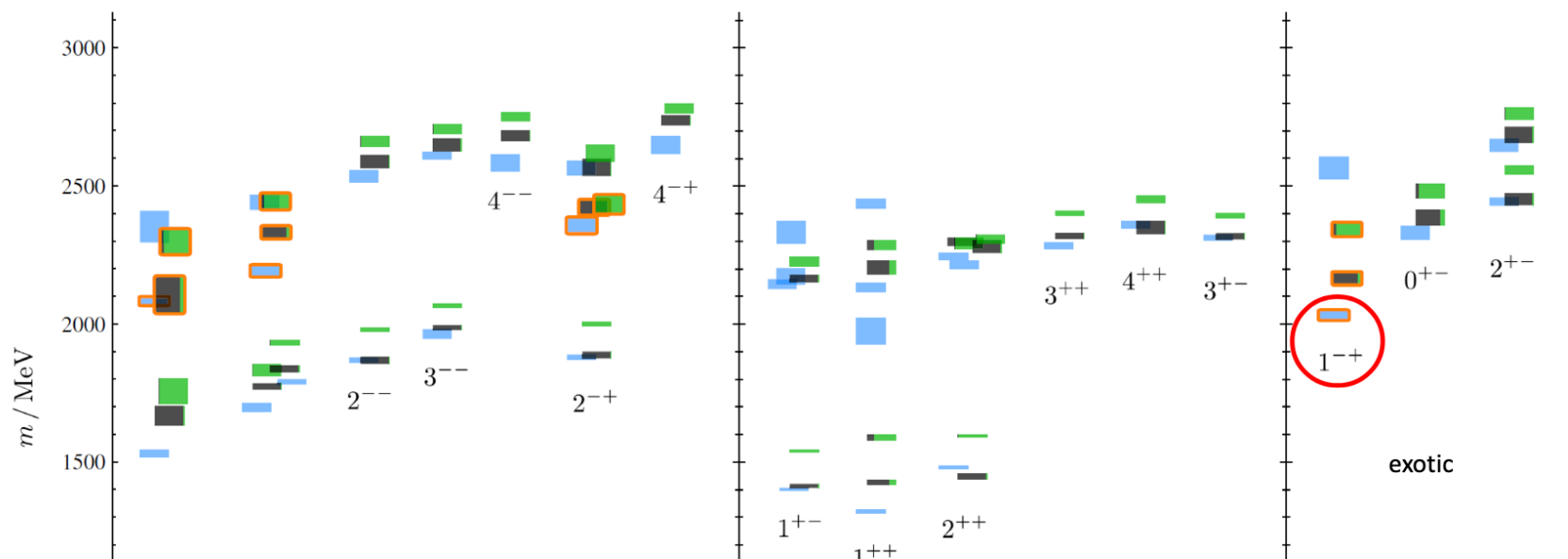


# Backup





# Hybrids: Lattice QCD



## Hybrids:

- excitation of gluonic degrees of freedom
- angular momentum in flux tube
- lightest hybrid predicted to have  $J^{PC} = 1^{-+}$



[J. Dudek et al., Hadron Spectrum Collaboration, Phys. Rev. D 88, 094505 (2013)]

# Limitations at COMPASS

- ▶ Only about 2.4 %  $K^-$  in negative hadron beam
  - ➔ Low number of kaons  
(Sample for strange-mesons about 150-times smaller than sample for non-strange mesons)
- ▶ About  $35\times$  more  $\pi^-$  in negative hadron beam
  - ➔ Background from  $\pi^-$  diffraction

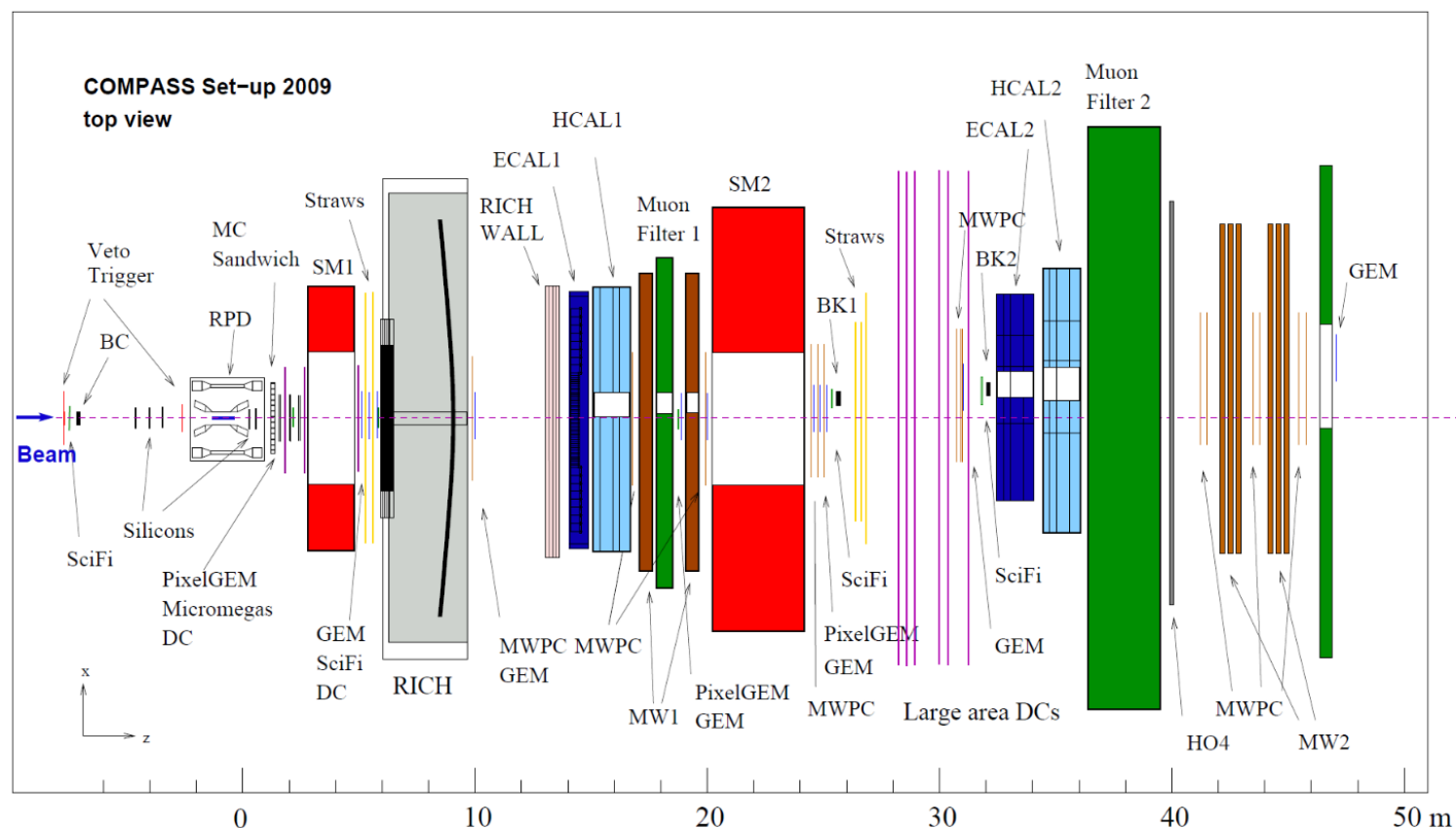
## Likelihood-based CEDAR PID

- ▶ Finite beam inclination at CEDAR position limits CEDAR PID
- ▶ Use information from precisely measured inclination of the beam-particle track
  - ▶ Spatial position of beam particle precisely measured at COMPASS target
  - ▶ Spatial position at COMPASS target related to beam inclination at CEDAR position by beam optics
- ▶ High efficiency of about 85 % and low  $\pi^-$  impurity of about 3 %



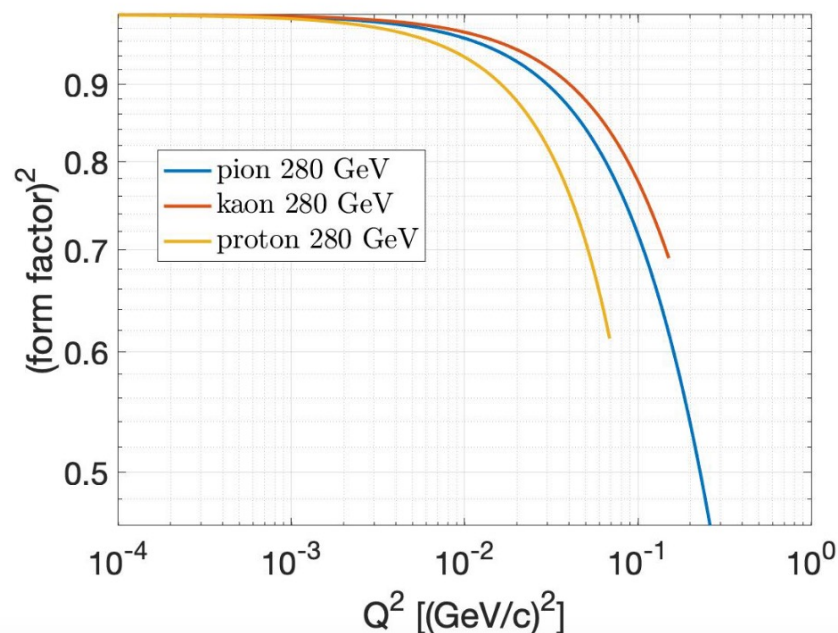
# Setup for strange-meson spectroscopy

- hadron BMS
- CEDARs
- 2-stage spectrometer
- IH2 target
- RPD
- Si trackers
- ECAL 0, 1, 2
- RICH-0, RICH-1, RICH-2



# Q<sup>2</sup> range and radius effect

- large values of Q<sup>2</sup>: higher sensitivity to charge distribution  $\rightarrow \langle r_E^2 \rangle$
- small values of Q<sup>2</sup>: smaller extrapolation uncertainties to Q<sup>2</sup> = 0 and  $\left. \frac{dF(Q^2)}{dQ^2} \right|_{Q^2=0}$



Beam	E <sub>beam</sub> [GeV]	Q <sup>2</sup> <sub>max</sub> [GeV <sup>2</sup> ]	Relative charge-radius effect on σ(Q <sup>2</sup> )
π	280	0,268	~54%
K	280	0,15	~30%
K	80	0,021	~5%
K	50	0,009	~2-3%
p	280	0,070	~28%

# Hadron charge radii

Protons in hydrogen target (or other stable nuclei):  
Measurement via elastic electron or muon scattering

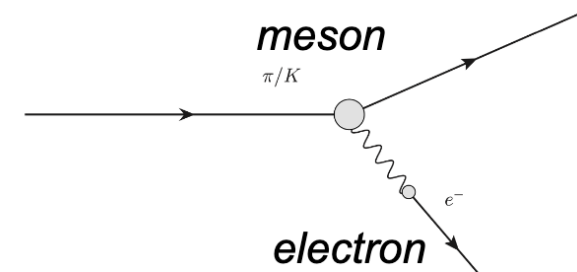
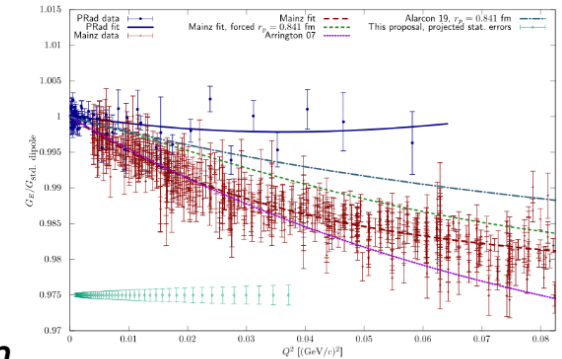
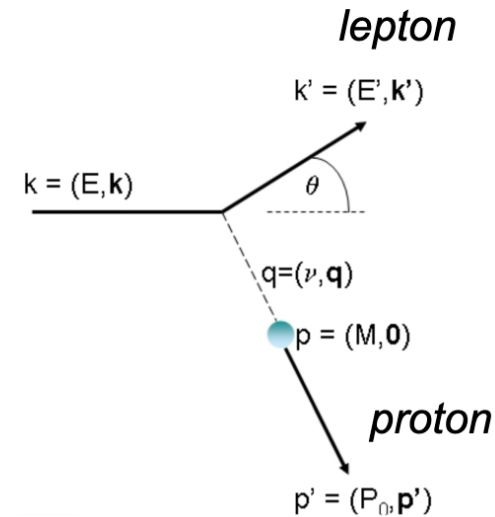
Cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} R \left( \varepsilon G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2 \right)$$

Charge radius from the slope of  $G_E$

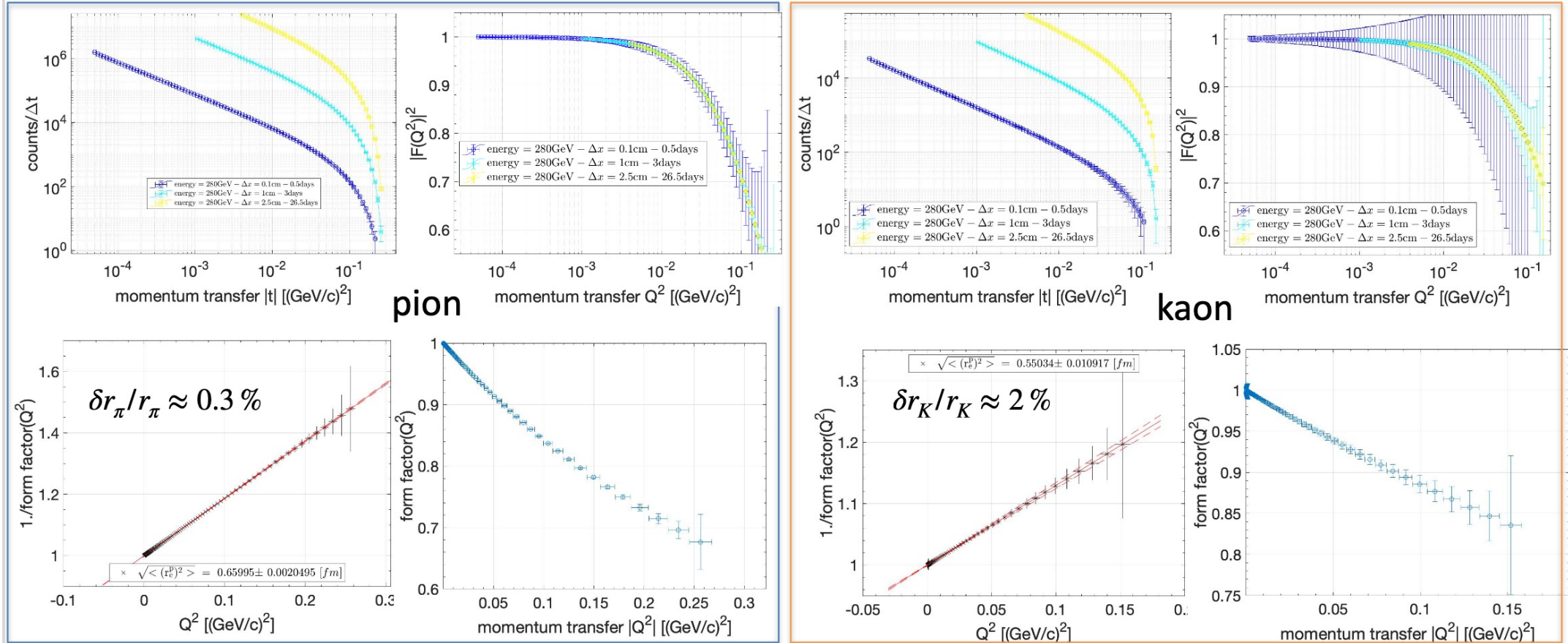
$$\langle r_E^2 \rangle = -6\hbar^2 \left. \frac{dG_E(Q^2)}{dQ^2} \right|_{Q^2 \rightarrow 0}$$

For unstable particles, electron scattering can only be realised  
in *inverse kinematics*



# Simulations for pions and kaons

- Assume 30 days of beam time (100% efficiency) - use pole description for FF



# Gluon PDF of the pion

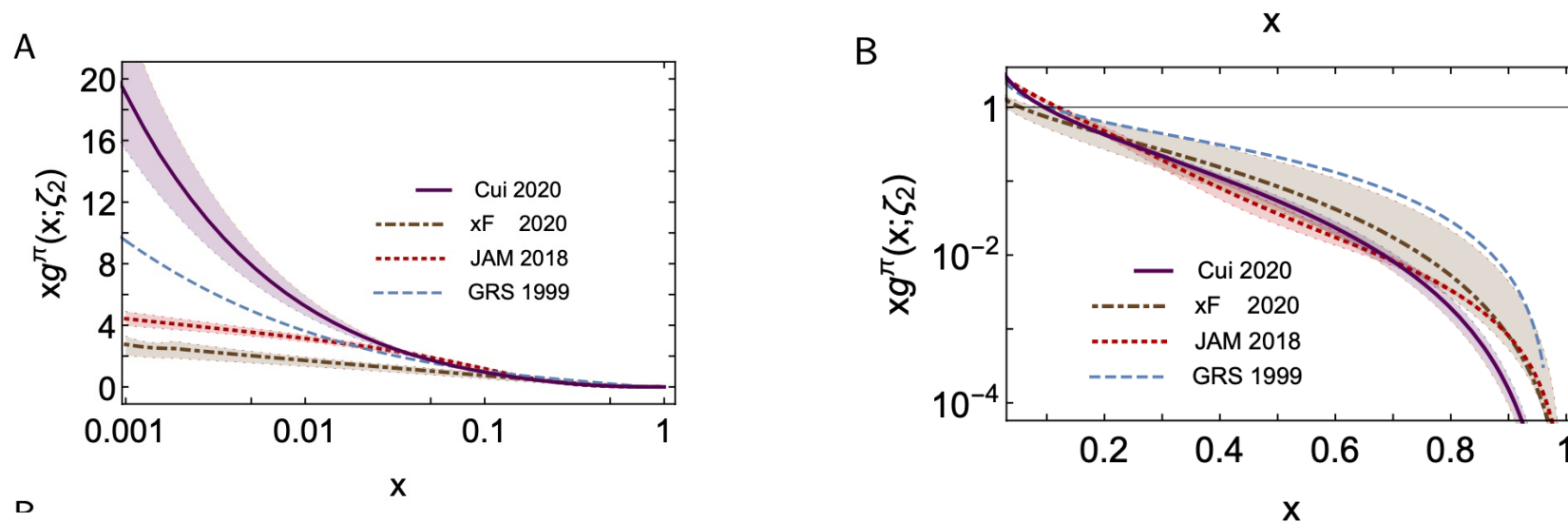


FIG. 4. Glue distribution,  $xg^\pi(x, \zeta_2 = 2 \text{ GeV})$ : solid purple curve, prediction from Ref. [43]. Panel A highlights low- $x$  and Panel B, large- $x$ . The band surrounding this curve expresses a conservative estimate of uncertainty in the prediction, obtained by varying  $\zeta_H$  by  $\pm 10\%$ . Comparisons are selected fits to data: dashed blue curve, [32]; dotted red curve and associated band, [33]; dot-dashed brown curve and band, [34].



# Antiproton production cross-sections

Ways to search  
for DM

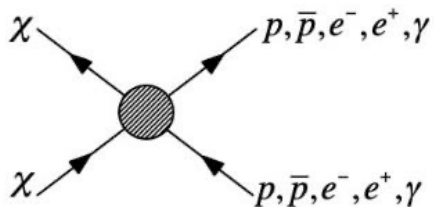
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XENON T  
CDMS II  
...

Scattering

$$\chi + p \rightarrow \chi + p$$

AMS, FERMI  
Annihilation

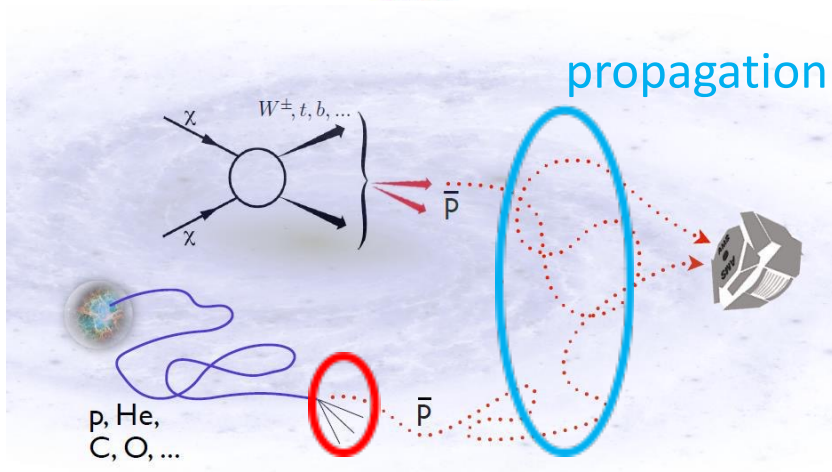
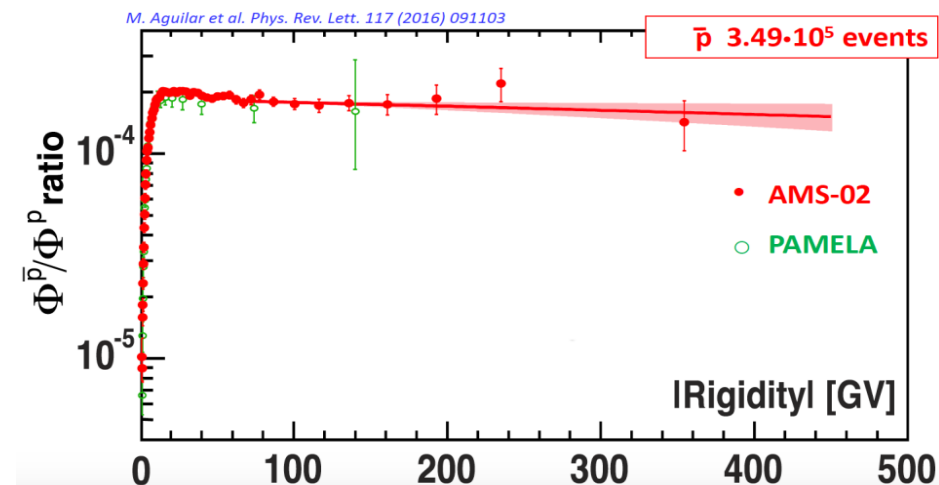
$$\chi + \chi \rightarrow p, \bar{p}, e^-, e^+, \gamma$$



$$\chi + \chi \leftarrow p + p$$

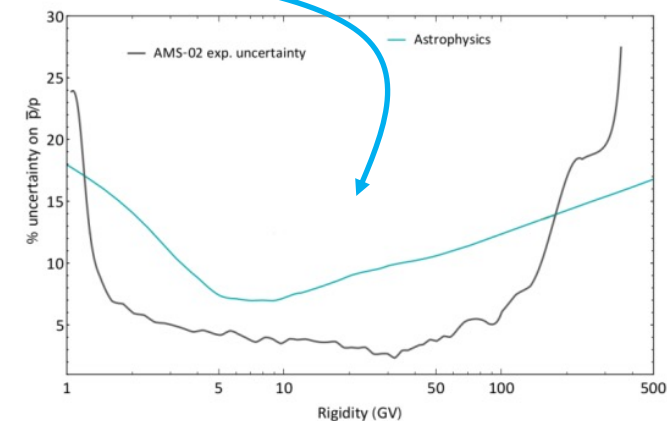
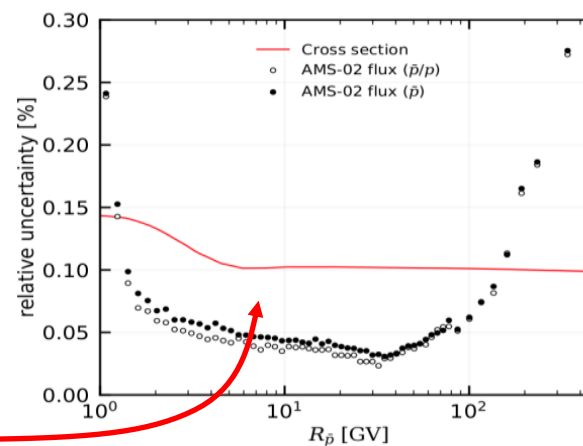
Production

LHC



cross section

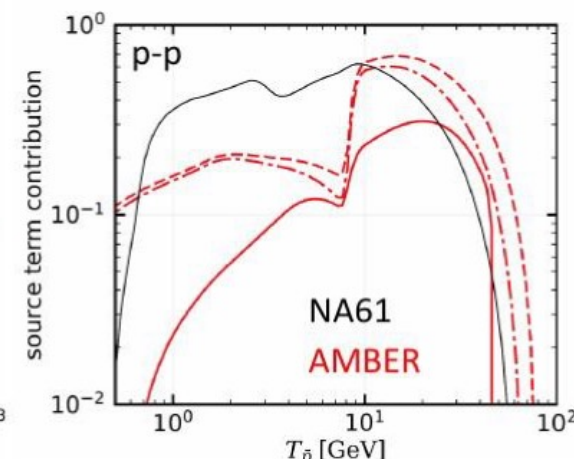
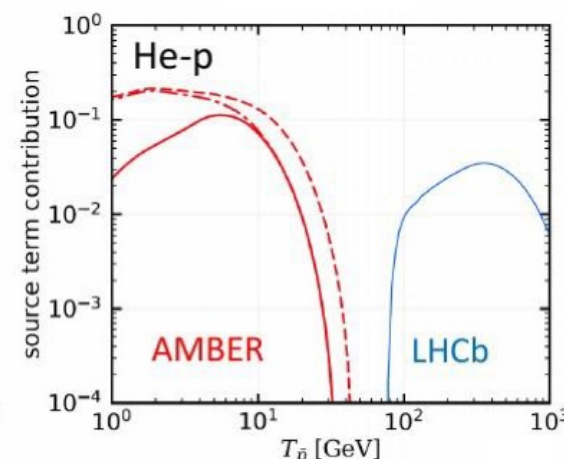
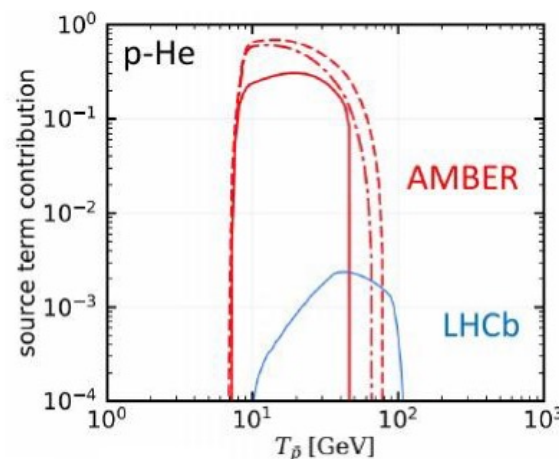
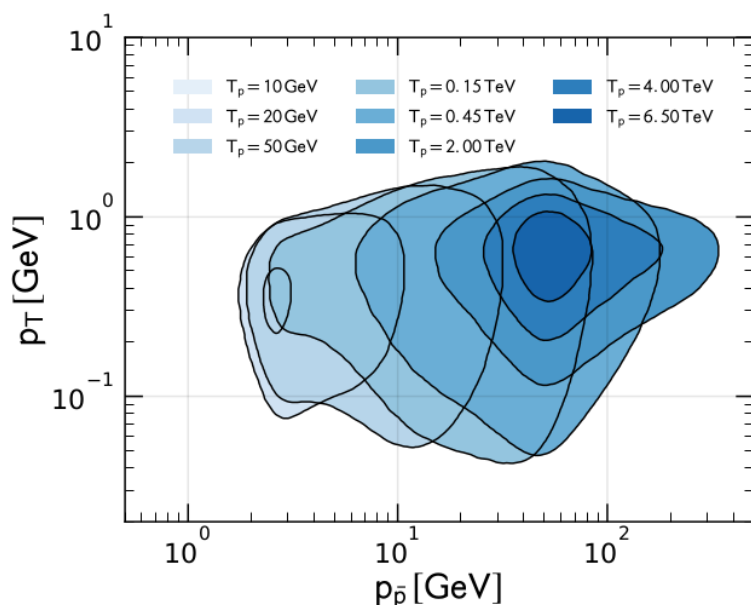
propagation



# Antiproton measurements at AMBER

Plots: impact of measurements on constraining the production of  $\bar{p}$  (fraction of total source term constrained by phase space of experiment)

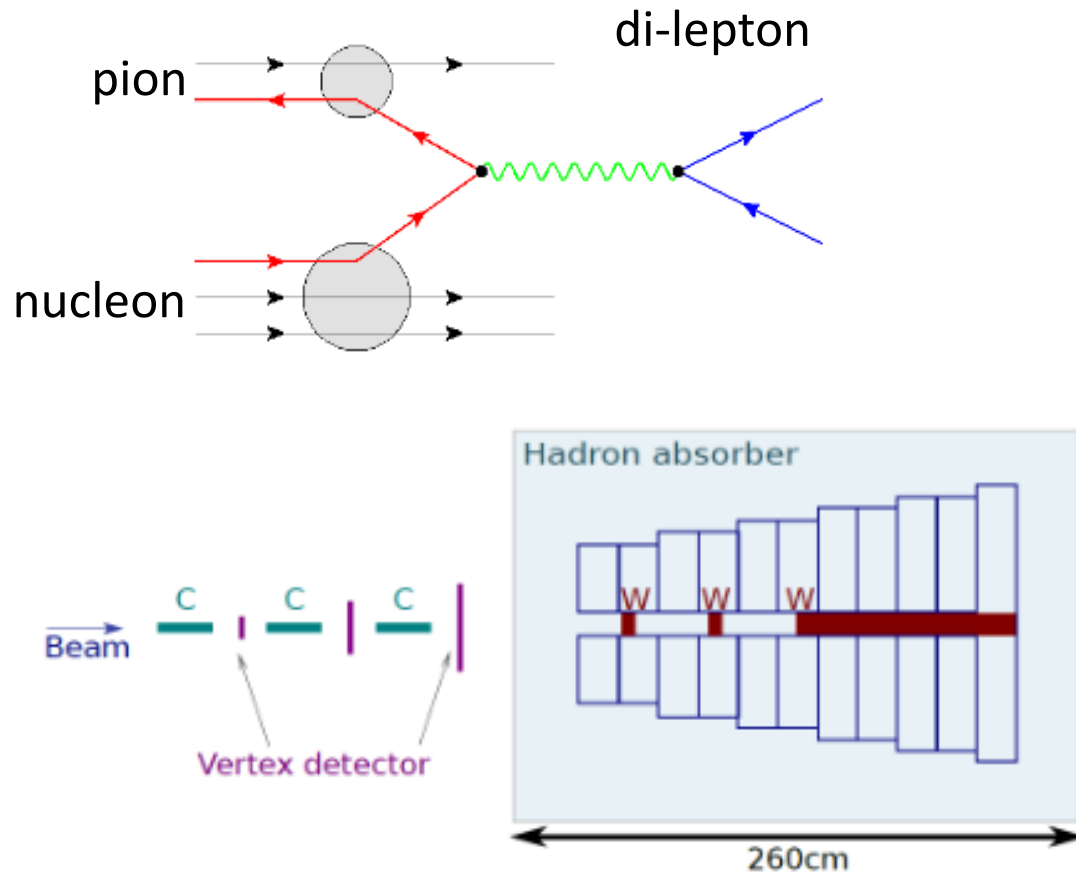
--- 50-250 GeV  
- - - 50-190 GeV  
— 100-190 GeV



- Parameter space for the p-He channel corresponding to an exemplary fixed target experiment
- 3% relative uncertainty within the blue regions (30% outside)

- Secondary  $p$  beam with 50, 100, 150, 200, 280 GeV
- Liquid  $H_2$  and He target
- Minimum bias trigger allowing beam intensity of  $5 \cdot 10^5 \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Beam proton ID in CEDARs, antiproton ID in RICH
- Measure differential cross section in 10 bins in  $p_p$  &  $\eta$
- $2.4 < \eta < 5.6$
- Statistical uncertainty  $\approx 0.5 - 1\%$  per data point
- Total systematic uncertainty  $\approx 5\%$  (efficiencies, dead time)
- AMBER pilot run for antiproton production measurements is scheduled in the end of 2022 (LD target, setup tests, rates)
- Main run is planned to 2023

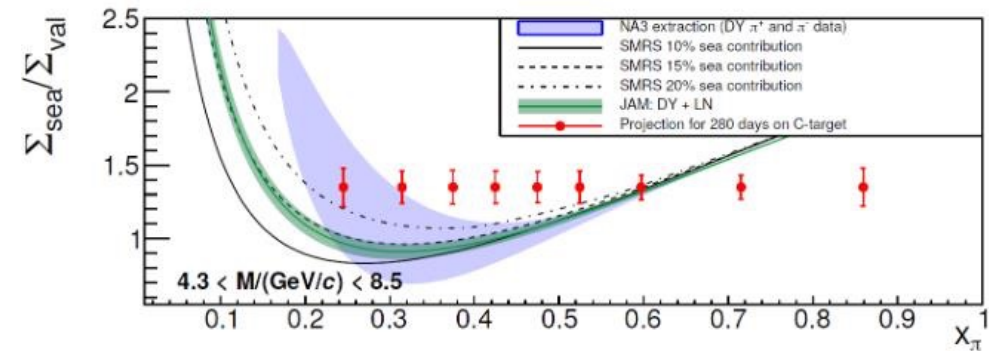
# Drell-Yan and pion PDFs at AMBER



- Iso-scalar target ( $^{12}\text{C}$ ) to minimize nuclear effects

- Beams of positively and negatively charged pions to separate valence and sea contribution:

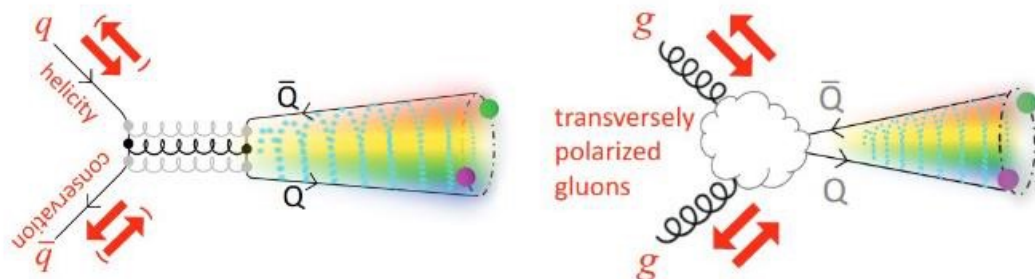
$$\frac{\Sigma_{\text{sea}}}{\Sigma_{\text{val}}} = \frac{4\sigma^{\pi^+C} - \sigma^{\pi^-C}}{-\sigma^{\pi^+C} + \sigma^{\pi^-C}}$$



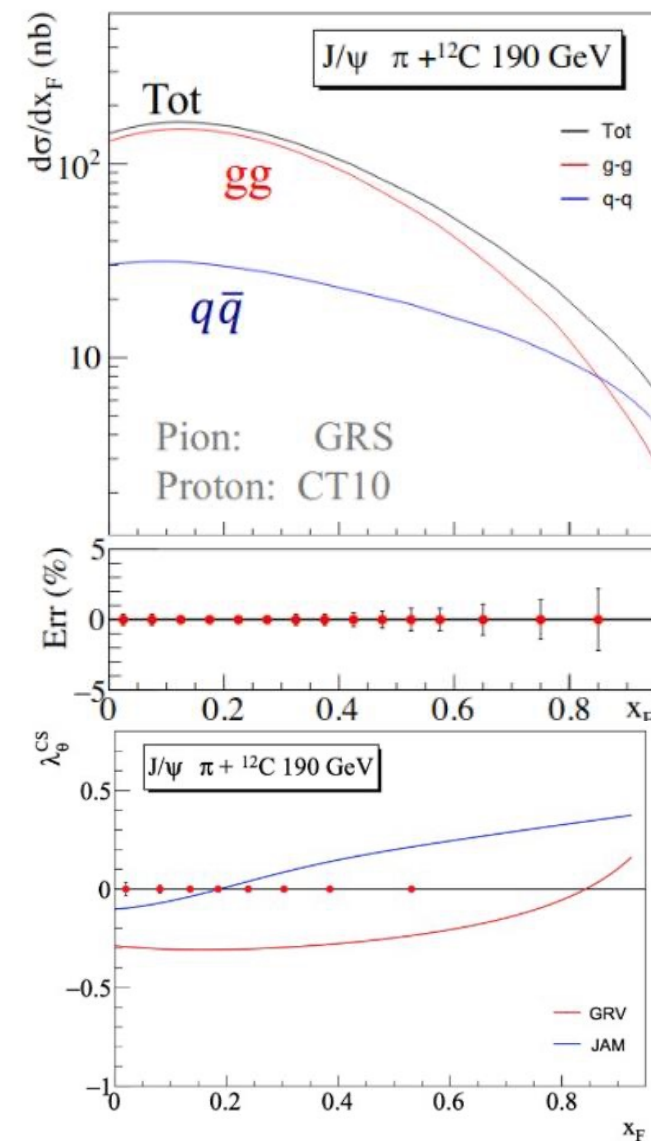
$$\sigma_{\text{DY}}^{\pi^+A} \propto \sum_i (e_i)^2 \left[ \bar{q}_i^{\pi^+} q_i^A + q_i^{\pi^+} \bar{q}_i^A \right]$$

- 250k DY events expected (current available statistics 25k events)
- **First precise and direct measurement of the sea quark distribution in the pion**
- 190 GeV pion beam
- Target / vertex detector / hadron absorber
- Radiation protection
- Di-muon mass resolution of 100 MeV

# $J/\psi$ production at AMBER



- Large statistics on  $J/\psi$  production at dimuon channel (30-50x 'DY clean region')
- Inclusive measurements: due to the hadron
- absorber prompt production from the rest can't be separated
- Expected significant feed-down:  $\psi(2S)$ ,  $\chi_{c1}$ ,  $\chi_{c2}$
- Expected to have dominant contribution from  $2 \rightarrow 1$  processes
- Use  $J/\psi$  polarization to distinguish production mechanism: polarization is sensitive to relative contributions of quark- and gluon-induced productions



- Angular distribution

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} \propto 1 + \lambda \cos^2\theta$$

$$\lambda = +1 \Leftrightarrow J_z = \pm 1$$

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow J/\psi$$

$$\lambda = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{unpolarised}$$

$$\lambda = -1 \Leftrightarrow J_z = 0$$

$$gg \rightarrow J/\psi$$