

# Exploring Light Resonances in Two-Pion Photoproduction: A Regge Formalism Analysis

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  - Kinematics
  - CLAS6 Measurements
  - Model description:
    - Resonance Production
    - Non-resonant Production: Deck Mechanism
  - Results
- Conclusions and Further Work

## Understanding the Significance

- Access to Previous CLAS6 Measurements: Building upon prior research.
- Model Challenges: Addressing limitations of earlier models at high momentum transfer.
- Upcoming CLAS12 and GlueX Measurements: Anticipating new data for validation.
- Exploring  $\pi^- \eta \Delta^{++}$  Exotic Channel: Expanding the scope of applicability.
- Relevance to Two-Pion Electroproduction: Implications for broader studies.

# Two-Pion Photoproduction: Kinematics

## Process:

$$\gamma(q, \lambda_\gamma) + p(p_1, \lambda_1) \rightarrow \pi^+(k_1) + \pi^-(k_2) + p(p_2, \lambda_2)$$

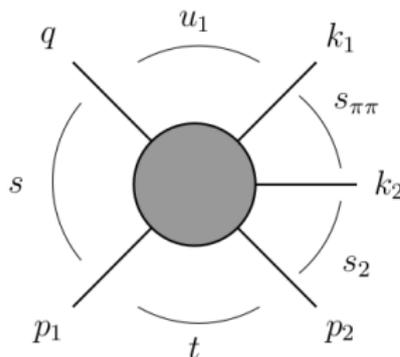
## Kinematic Variables:

$$s = (p_1 + q)^2$$

$$s_i = (k_i + p_2)^2$$

$$t = (p_1 - p_2)^2$$

$$s_{12} = s_{\pi\pi} = (k_1 + k_2)^2 = m_{12}^2 = m_{\pi\pi}^2$$



# Two-Pion Photoproduction: Helicity Frame

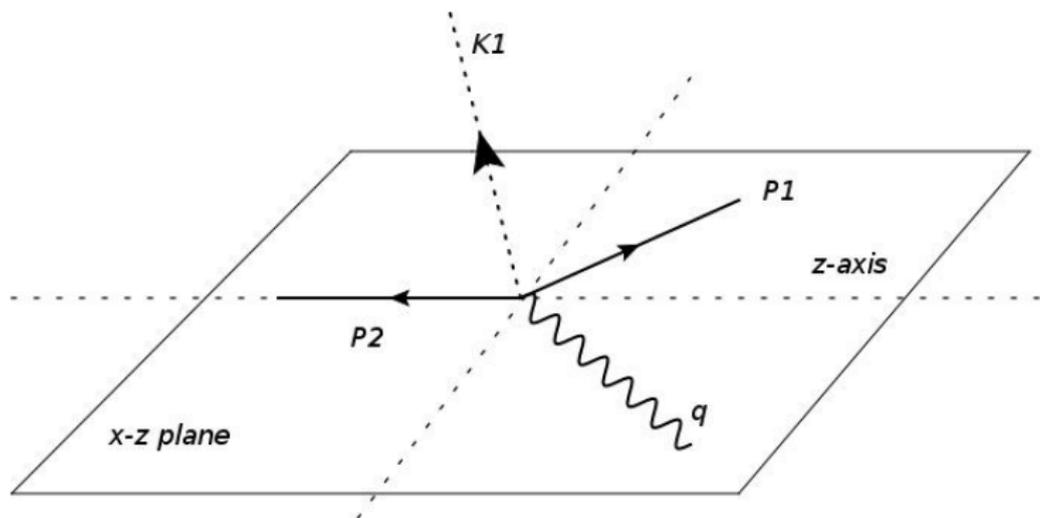
**Helicity Frame:**  $\Omega^H(\theta^H, \phi^H)$

$$\mathbf{p}_1^H = |\vec{p}_1|(\sin \theta_1, 0, \cos \theta_1)$$

$$\mathbf{p}_2^H = |\vec{p}_2|(0, 0, -1)$$

$$\mathbf{q}^H = |\vec{q}|(-\sin \theta_q, 0, \cos \theta_q)$$

$$\mathbf{k}_1^H = |\vec{k}_1|(\sin \theta^H \cos \phi^H, \sin \theta^H \sin \phi^H, \cos \theta^H) = -\mathbf{k}_2^H$$



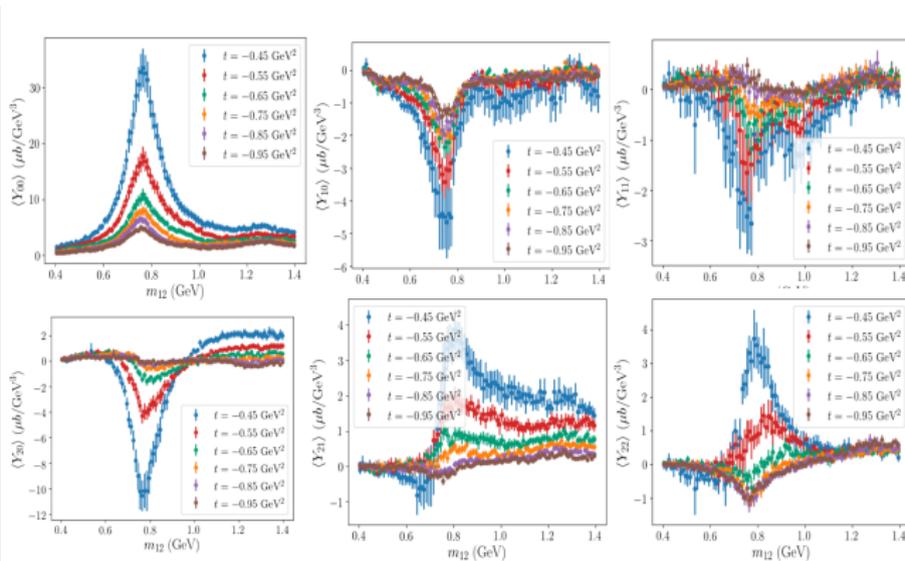
# Two-Pion Photoproduction: CLAS6 Measurements

$$E_\gamma = [3.0, 3.8] \text{ GeV}, t = [-0.45, -0.95] \text{ GeV}^2$$

[Phys.Rev.D 80 (2009) 072005]

$$\langle Y_{LM} \rangle = \sqrt{4\pi} \int d\Omega^H \frac{d\sigma}{dt dm_{12} d\Omega^H} \text{Re} Y_{LM}(\Omega^H)$$

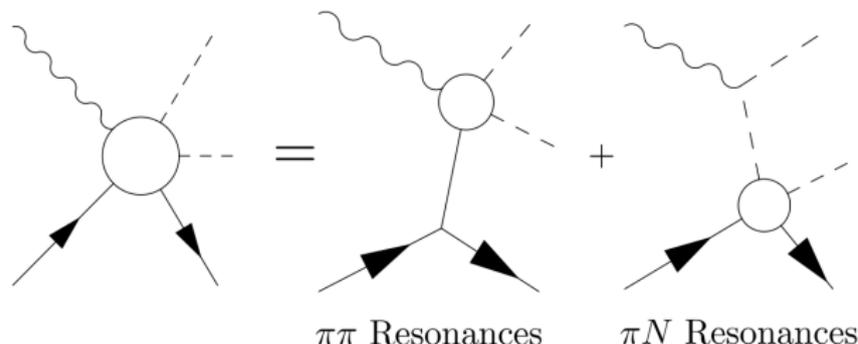
$$\langle Y_{00} \rangle = \frac{d\sigma}{dt dm_{12}}$$



For the process  $\gamma(q, \lambda_\gamma) + p(p_1, \lambda_1) \rightarrow \pi^+(k_1) + \pi^-(k_2) + p(p_2, \lambda_2)$ , we consider

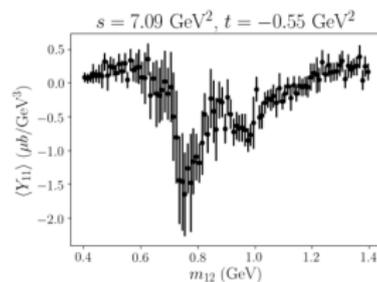
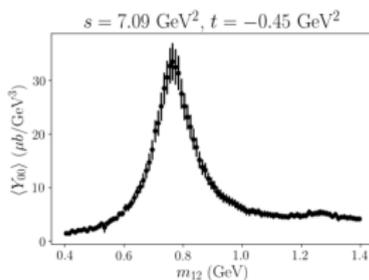
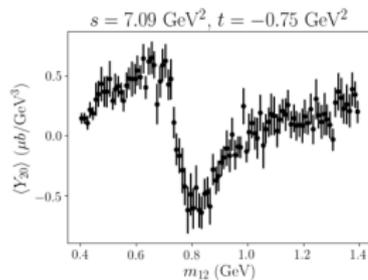
## 2 $\rightarrow$ 3 Dynamics

Built from known dynamics in 2  $\rightarrow$  2 subchannels:



- $\pi\pi$  resonances are directly implemented in our model.
- $\pi N$  resonances are embedded in the Deck mechanism.

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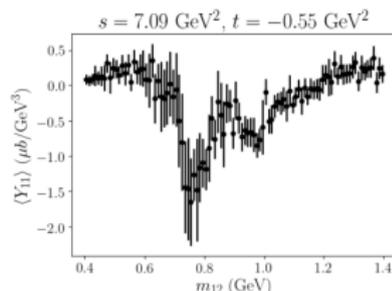
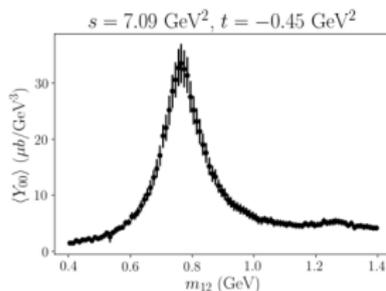
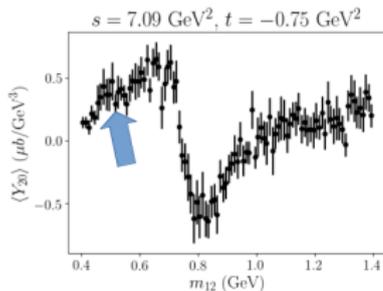
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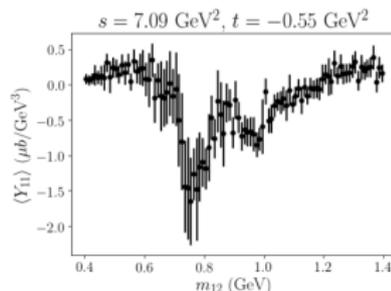
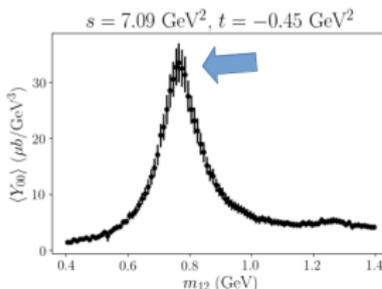
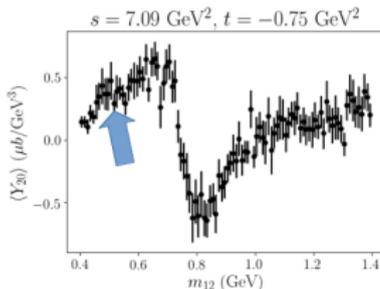
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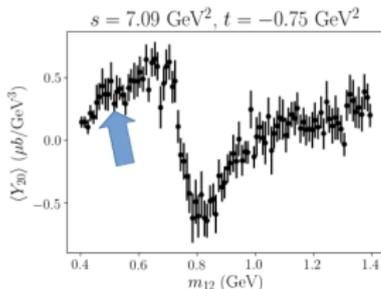
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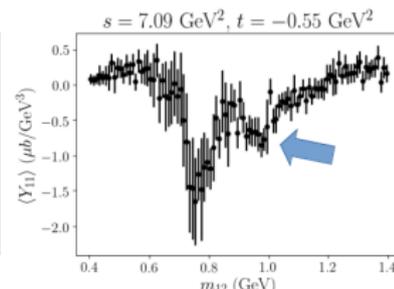
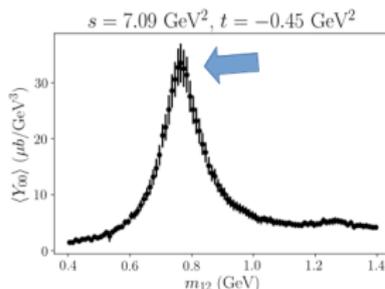
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T-matrix pole  $\sqrt{s} = (980-1010) - i(20-35) \text{ MeV}^{[A]}$

Mass (Breit-Wigner) = 990  $\pm$  20 MeV  $^{[A]}$

Full width (Breit-Wigner) = 10 to 100 MeV  $^{[A]}$



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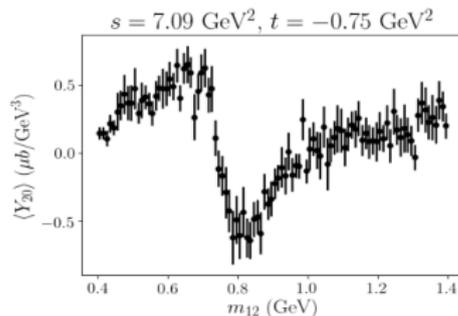
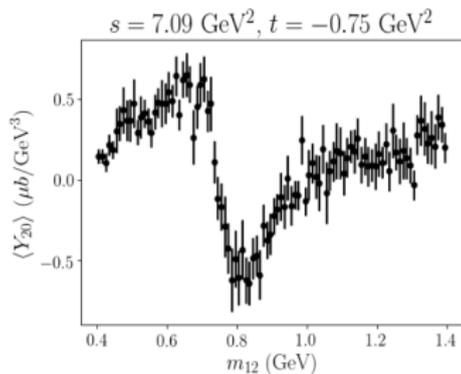
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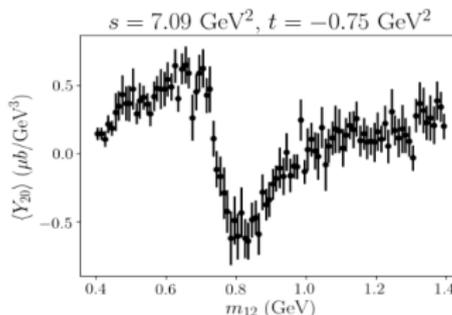
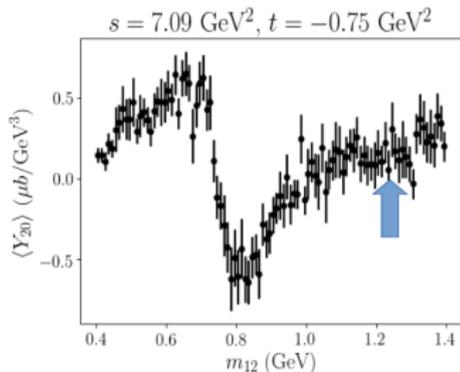
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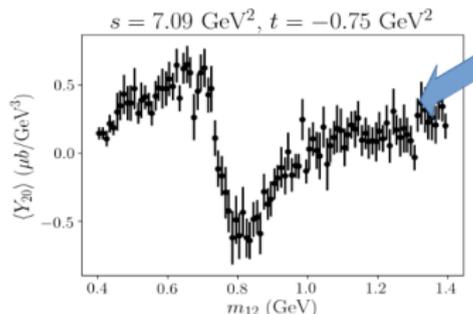
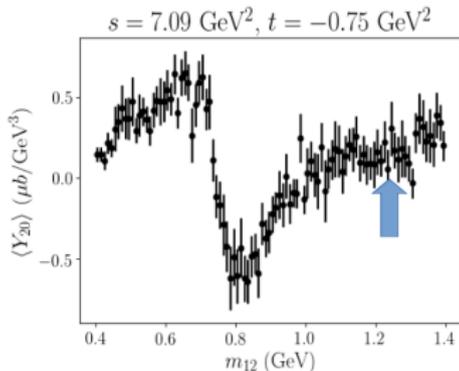
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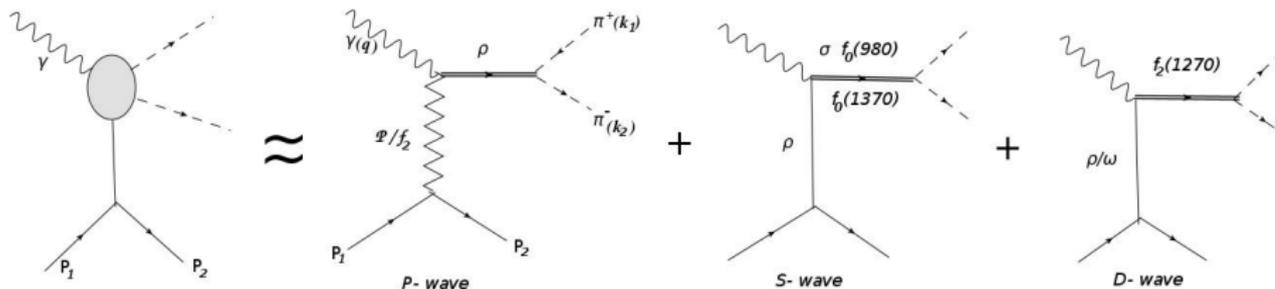
# Resonant Production

- Effective Lagrangian: One particle exchange model
- “Reggeize”:

$$R_N(s, t) = \frac{1 + e^{i\pi\alpha_N(t)}}{\sin(\pi\alpha(t))} \left(\frac{s}{s_0}\right)^{\alpha_N(t)}$$

- “Breit-Wignerize”: [Phys. Rev. D 98, 030001 (2018)]

$$\text{BW}^{\text{dep}}(s, l) = \frac{n(s)}{m_{\text{BW}}^2 - s - im_{\text{BW}}\Gamma_{\text{tot}}(s)}, \text{ where } n(s) = \left(\frac{q}{q_0}\right)^l F_l(q, q_0)$$



$$\mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_q}(s, t, s_{\pi\pi}, \Omega_H) = \sum_{lm} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_q}^{lm}(s, t, s_{\pi\pi}, \Omega_H) Y_{lm}(\Omega_H)$$

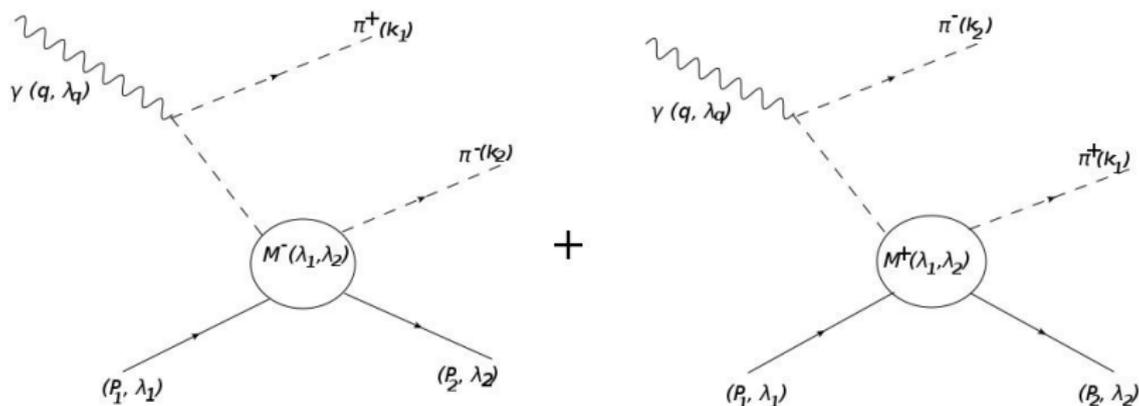
$$\mathcal{M}_{-\lambda_1, -\lambda_2, -\lambda_q}^{l-m} = (-1)^{m-\lambda_2-\lambda_q+\lambda_1} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_q}^{lm}$$

- The model's rigidity hinders its ability to accurately describe the data.
- To address this, we introduce free parameters to redefine the  $t$ -dependence  $g^{lm}$  in the resonant components, while keeping Deck and  $\rho$  production via pomeron components fixed:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_q}(s, t, s_{\pi\pi}, \Omega_H) = \sum_{lm} g^{lm} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_q}^{lm}(s, t, s_{\pi\pi}, \Omega_H) Y_{lm}(\Omega_H)$$

- In total, we have 30 free parameters: 2 for  $f_0(500)$ ,  $f_0(980)$ ,  $f_0(1375)$ , and background, 6 for  $\rho$  via  $f_2$  and background, and 10 for  $f_2(1270)$ .

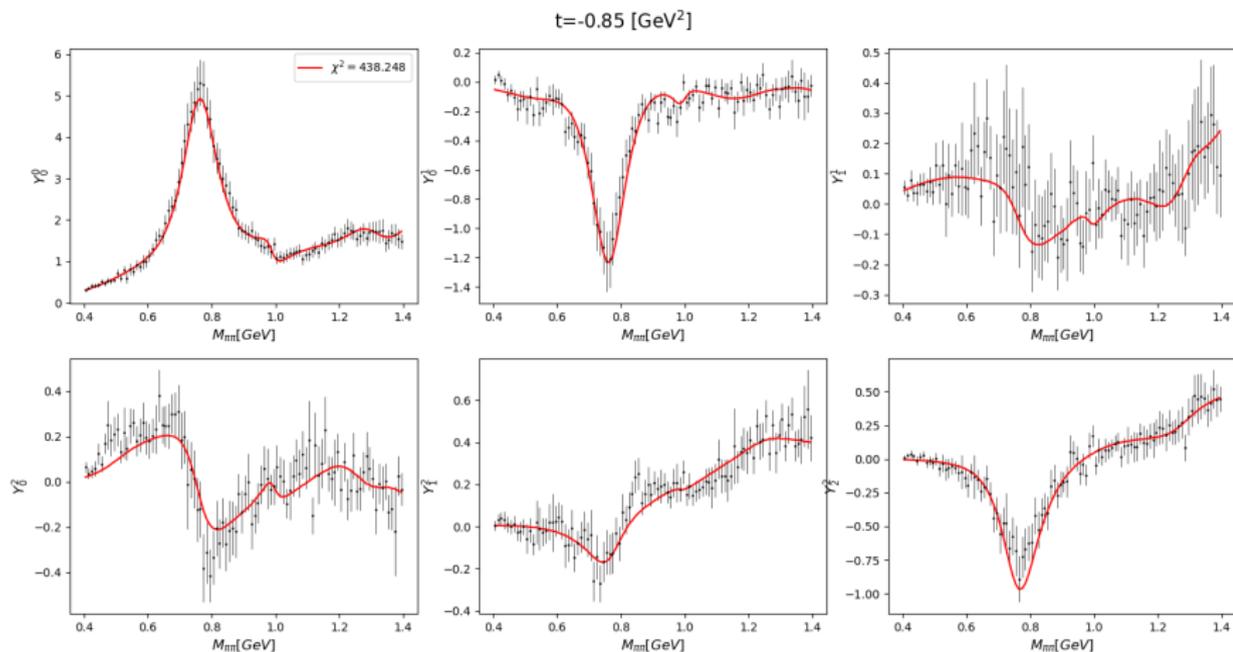
# Non Resonant Production: Deck Mechanism



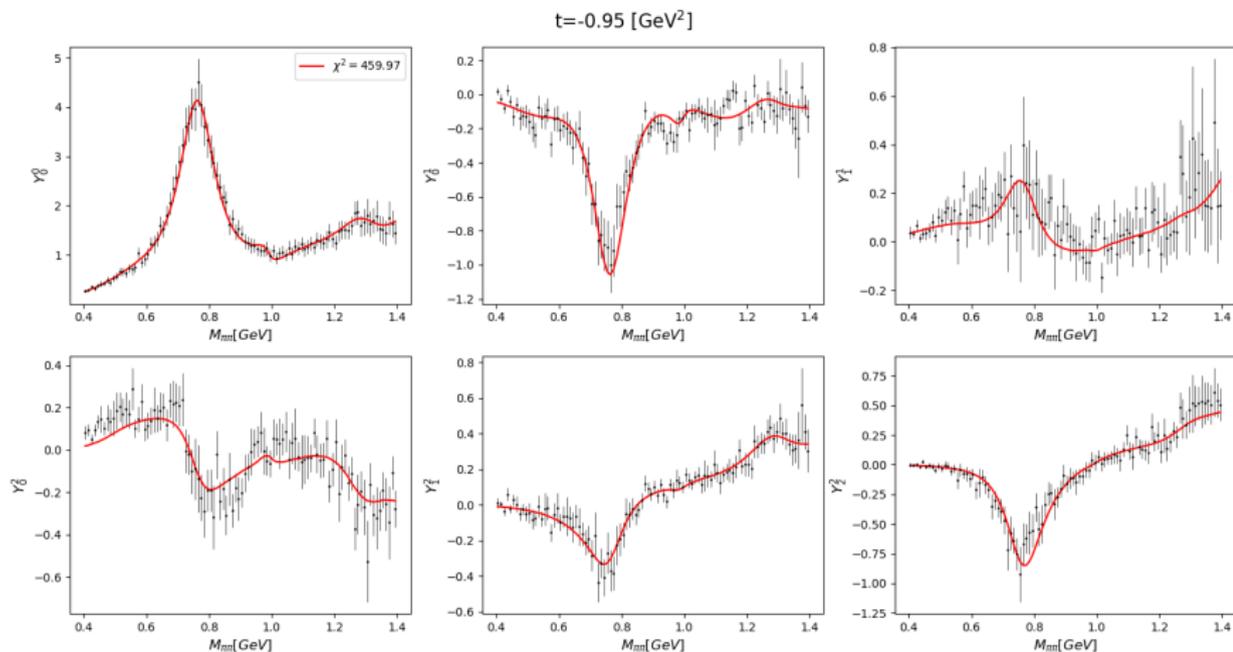
The Deck Mechanism describes non-resonant production with the following equation:

$$\mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_q}^{\text{Deck, Gl}}(s, t, s_{12}, \Omega) = e \left[ - \frac{\epsilon(q, \lambda_q) \cdot k_2}{q \cdot k_2} \beta(t_2) \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}^+(s_1, t; t_2) + \frac{\epsilon(q, \lambda_q) \cdot k_1}{q \cdot k_1} \beta(t_1) \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}^-(s_2, t; t_1) \right]$$

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# Conclusions and Further Work

- The presented global analysis has demonstrated strong performance.
  - ➔ Can we streamline empirical parameterizations for couplings and prune redundant ones?
- Future work includes extending our analysis to predict angular moments at different  $E_\gamma$  values, particularly for the upcoming CLAS12 experiment.
- Investigating angular moments at  $m_{\pi N}$  for further insights.
- Expanding the Deck mechanism to encompass other final states, such as  $\pi^- \eta \Delta^{++}$ , opens new opportunities for investigation.
- Exploring SDMEs for particles like  $\rho$  and  $\Delta$ .
- Potential research in two-pion electroproduction for  $F_\pi(Q^2)$  determination.

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The Deck Model amplitude can be written as:

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Where  $\beta(t_i) = \exp((t_\pi - t_i^{\min})/\Lambda_\pi^2)$ ,  $\Lambda_\pi = 0.9 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $t_\pi = (q - k_i)^2$  and

$$t_1^{\min} = m_\pi^2 - \frac{1}{2s} \left[ (s - m_p^2)(s - s_2 + m_\pi^2) - \lambda^{1/2}(s, 0, m_p^2) \lambda^{1/2}(s, s_2, m_\pi^2) \right], \quad (2)$$

$$t_2^{\min} = m_\pi^2 - \frac{1}{2s} \left[ (s - m_p^2)(s - s_1 + m_\pi^2) - \lambda^{1/2}(s, 0, m_p^2) \lambda^{1/2}(s, s_1, m_\pi^2) \right] \quad (3)$$

where  $\lambda(a, b, c) = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2(ab + bc + ca)$ .

# Pion-proton Scattering:

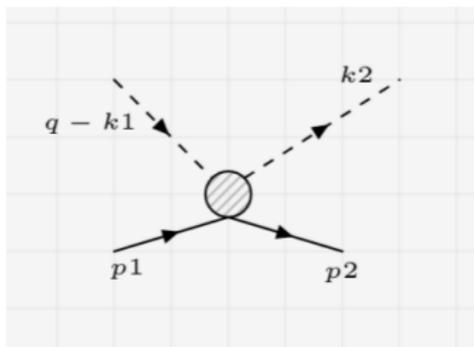


Figure: Feynman diagram for  $\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^- p$

Assuming that the intermediate pion is **offshell**, then the pion-proton scattering amplitude will read:

$$\mathcal{M}_\lambda^- = \bar{u}_\lambda(p_2) \left[ A^-(s, t, t_\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \gamma_\mu (q - k_1 + k_2)^\mu B^-(s, t, t_\pi) \right] u_\lambda(p_1), \quad (4)$$

where  $t_\pi = (q - k_1)$

Similarly for the positive exchanged pion:

$$\mathcal{M}_\lambda^+ = \bar{u}_\lambda(p_2) \left[ A^+(s, t, t_\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \gamma_\mu (q - k_2 + k_1)^\mu B^+(s, t, t_\pi) \right] u_\lambda(p_1), \quad (5)$$

where  $t_\pi = (q - k_2)$ .

In the  $\pi N$  center of mass frame the t-channel  $A$  and  $B$  defined as follows:

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} A^\pm = \frac{\sqrt{s} + m_p}{Z_1^+ Z_2^+} f_1^\pm - \frac{\sqrt{s} - m_p}{Z_1^- Z_2^-} f_2^\pm, \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} B^\pm = \frac{1}{Z_1^+ Z_2^+} f_1^\pm - \frac{1}{Z_1^- Z_2^-} f_2^\pm. \quad (7)$$

Where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are called the reduced helicity amplitudes,  $Z_i^\pm = \sqrt{E_i \pm m_p}$ .

The partial wave decomposition:

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{p}_1||\mathbf{p}_2|}} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} f_{l+}(s) P'_{l+1}(\cos \theta) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{p}_1||\mathbf{p}_2|}} \sum_{l=2}^{\infty} f_{l-}(s) P'_{l-1}(\cos \theta), \quad (8)$$

$$f_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{p}_1||\mathbf{p}_2|}} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} [f_{l-}(s) - f_{l+}(s)] P'_l(\cos \theta). \quad (9)$$

The scalar functions  $A$  and  $B$  in our case depends on the pion virtuality, in which it enters in  $Z_1$  and hence  $P_1$  since

$$E_1 = \frac{s_i - t_\pi + m_p^2}{2\sqrt{s_i}} \quad (10)$$

Also our scattering angle is proportional to the virtuality as follows:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{2s_i(t - 2m_p^2) + (s_i - t_\pi + m_p^2)(s_i - m_\pi^2 + m_p^2)}{\sqrt{\lambda(s_i, t_\pi, m_p^2)} \sqrt{\lambda(s_i, m_\pi^2, m_p^2)}}. \quad (11)$$

The differential cross section is given as:

$$\frac{d^5\sigma}{dtd\sqrt{s_{12}}d\Omega d\Phi} = I(\Omega, \Phi) = I^0(\Omega) + \mathbf{I}(\Omega) \cdot P_\gamma(\Phi) \quad (12)$$

where  $\Omega = (\theta, \phi)$  and the intensity vector is defined as:

$$I^0(\Omega) = \frac{\kappa}{2} \sum_{\lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda; \lambda_1 \lambda_2}(\Omega) \mathcal{M}_{\lambda; \lambda_1 \lambda_2}^*(\Omega) \quad (13)$$

$$I^1(\Omega) = \frac{\kappa}{2} \sum_{\lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2} \mathcal{M}_{-\lambda; \lambda_1 \lambda_2}(\Omega) \mathcal{M}_{\lambda; \lambda_1 \lambda_2}^*(\Omega) \quad (14)$$

$$I^2(\Omega) = i \frac{\kappa}{2} \sum_{\lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2} \lambda \mathcal{M}_{-\lambda; \lambda_1 \lambda_2}(\Omega) \mathcal{M}_{\lambda; \lambda_1 \lambda_2}^*(\Omega) \quad (15)$$

where  $0 < P_\gamma < 1$  is the degree of linear polarization of the photon beam.

Model parameters not fit from data:

$$m_\sigma = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Gamma_\sigma = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_\rho = 0.775 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Gamma_\rho = 0.149 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_{f_0} = 0.99 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{f_0} = 0.2 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\alpha_0^{\mathbb{P}} = 1.08$$

$$\alpha_1^{\mathbb{P}} = 0.2 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$\alpha_0^{f_2} = 0.5$$

$$\alpha_1^{f_2} = 0.9 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$\alpha_0^\rho = 0.55$$

$$\alpha_1^\rho = 0.8 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

# Angular Moments and Partial Waves

$$\begin{aligned}\langle Y_{00} \rangle &= |S|^2 + |P_-|^2 + |P_0|^2 + |P_+|^2 + |D_-|^2 + |D_0|^2 + |D_+|^2 + |F_-|^2 + |F_0|^2 + |F_+|^2 \\ \langle Y_{10} \rangle &= SP_0^* + P_0S^* + \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}(P_-D_-^* + P_-^*D_- + P_+D_+^* + D_+P_+^*) + \sqrt{\frac{4}{5}}(P_0D_0^* + D_0P_0^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{24}{35}}(D_-F_-^* + F_-D_-^* + D_+F_+^* + F_+D_+^*) + \sqrt{\frac{216}{280}}(D_0F_0^* + F_0D_0^*) \\ \langle Y_{11} \rangle &= (-P_-S^* - SP_-^* + P_+S^* + SP_+^*) + \sqrt{\frac{1}{20}}(P_-D_0^* + D_0P_-^* - P_+D_0^* - D_0P_+^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{3}{20}}(-P_0D_-^* - D_-P_0^* + P_0D_+^* + D_+P_0^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{9}{140}}(D_-F_0^* + F_0D_-^* - D_+F_0^* - F_0D_+^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{9}{70}}(-D_0F_-^* - F_-D_0^* + D_0F_+^* + F_+D_0^*)\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\langle Y_{20} \rangle &= SD_0^* + D_0 S^* + \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} (2|P_0|^2 - |P_-|^2 - |P_+|^2 + |F_-|^2 + |F_+|^2) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{18}{35}} (P_- F_-^* + F_- P_-^* + P_+ F_+^* + F_+ P_+^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{27}{35}} (P_0 F_0^* + F_0 P_0^*) + \sqrt{\frac{5}{49}} (|D_-|^2 + |D_+|^2) + \sqrt{\frac{20}{49}} |D_0|^2 + \sqrt{\frac{16}{45}} |F_0|^2 \\ \langle Y_{21} \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} (SD_+^* + D_+ S^* - SD_-^* - D_- S^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{3}{20}} (P_0 P_+^* + P_+ P_0^* - P_- P_0^* - P_0 P_-^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{9}{140}} (P_- F_0^* + F_0 P_-^* - P_+ F_0^* - F_0 P_+^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{6}{35}} (P_0 F_+^* + F_+ P_0^* - P_0 F_-^* - F_- P_0^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{5}{196}} (D_0 D_+^* + D_+ D_0^* - D_0 D_-^* - D_- D_0^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{1}{90}} (F_0 F_+^* + F_+ F_0^* - F_0 F_-^* - F_- F_0^*) \\ \langle Y_{22} \rangle &= \sqrt{\frac{3}{10}} (P_- P_+^* + P_+ P_-^*) + \sqrt{\frac{3}{140}} (P_- F_+^* + F_+ P_-^* + P_+ F_-^* + F_- P_+^*) \\ &+ \sqrt{\frac{4}{30}} (-F_+ F_-^* - F_- F_+^*) + \sqrt{\frac{3}{196}} (-D_- D_+^* - D_+ D_-^*)\end{aligned}$$

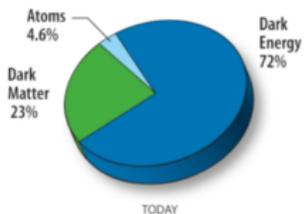
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## Standard Model of Elementary Particles

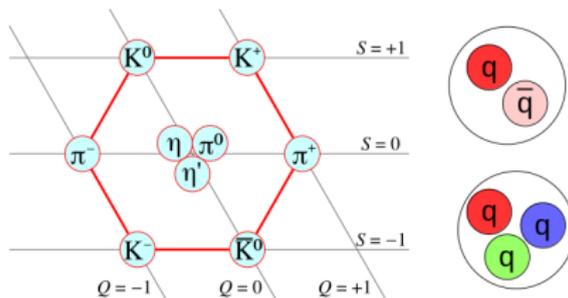
three generations of matter (fermions)			interactions / force carriers (bosons)	
I	II	III		
main charge spin				
$+2/3$ $1/2$	$+2/3$ $1/2$	$+2/3$ $1/2$	$0$ $1$	$+124.87$ GeV/c <sup>2</sup> $0$ $0$
<b>u</b> up	<b>c</b> charm	<b>t</b> top	<b>g</b> gluon	<b>H</b> higgs
$-1/3$ $1/2$	$-1/3$ $1/2$	$-1/3$ $1/2$	$0$ $1$	
<b>d</b> down	<b>s</b> strange	<b>b</b> bottom	<b>γ</b> photon	
$-1/2$ $1/2$	$-1/2$ $1/2$	$-1/2$ $1/2$	$0$ $1$	
<b>e</b> electron	<b>μ</b> muon	<b>τ</b> tau	<b>Z</b> Z boson	
$-1$ $1/2$	$-1$ $1/2$	$-1$ $1/2$	$0$ $1$	
<b>ν<sub>e</sub></b> electron neutrino	<b>ν<sub>μ</sub></b> muon neutrino	<b>ν<sub>τ</sub></b> tau neutrino	<b>W</b> W boson	
$+1/2$ $1/2$	$+1/2$ $1/2$	$+1/2$ $1/2$	$\pm 80.386$ GeV/c <sup>2</sup> $\pm 1$ $1$	

**QUARKS** (left side)  
**LEPTONS** (left side)  
**SCALAR BOSONS** (right side)  
**GAUGE BOSONS** (right side)  
**VECTOR BOSONS** (right side)

## Beyond the Standard Model



## Standard (Quark) Model



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