



Σ^0 Production in p + Nb Reactions at E = 3.5 GeV

A large, complex, blue-tinted 3D rendering of the HADES detector structure, showing various components and a central detector volume.

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$$m_{\Sigma^0} = 1192.642 \pm 0.07 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$I(J^P) = 1(1/2^+)$$

$$c\tau = 2.2 \cdot 10^{-11} \text{ m}$$

$$\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda^0 \gamma \quad (99.0 \%)$$

$$\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda^0 e^+ e^- \quad (0.5 \%)$$

Σ^0

Can we detect Σ^0 in HADES?

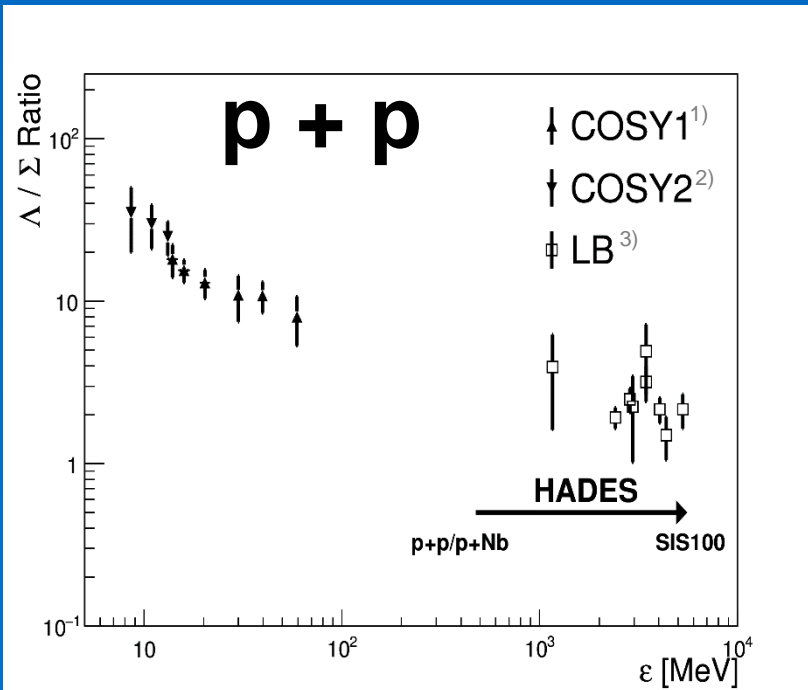
$K^0, K^*, K^\pm, \Lambda, \Sigma^+, \Xi$ production in
 $p + p, p + A, A + A$

Hypernuclei for Λ but not for Σ^0 ?

Hyperon transition form factors?

Σ -N Interaction

No $\frac{\Lambda}{\Sigma^0}$ data available for $p + A$



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Role of the Σ^0 Hyperon

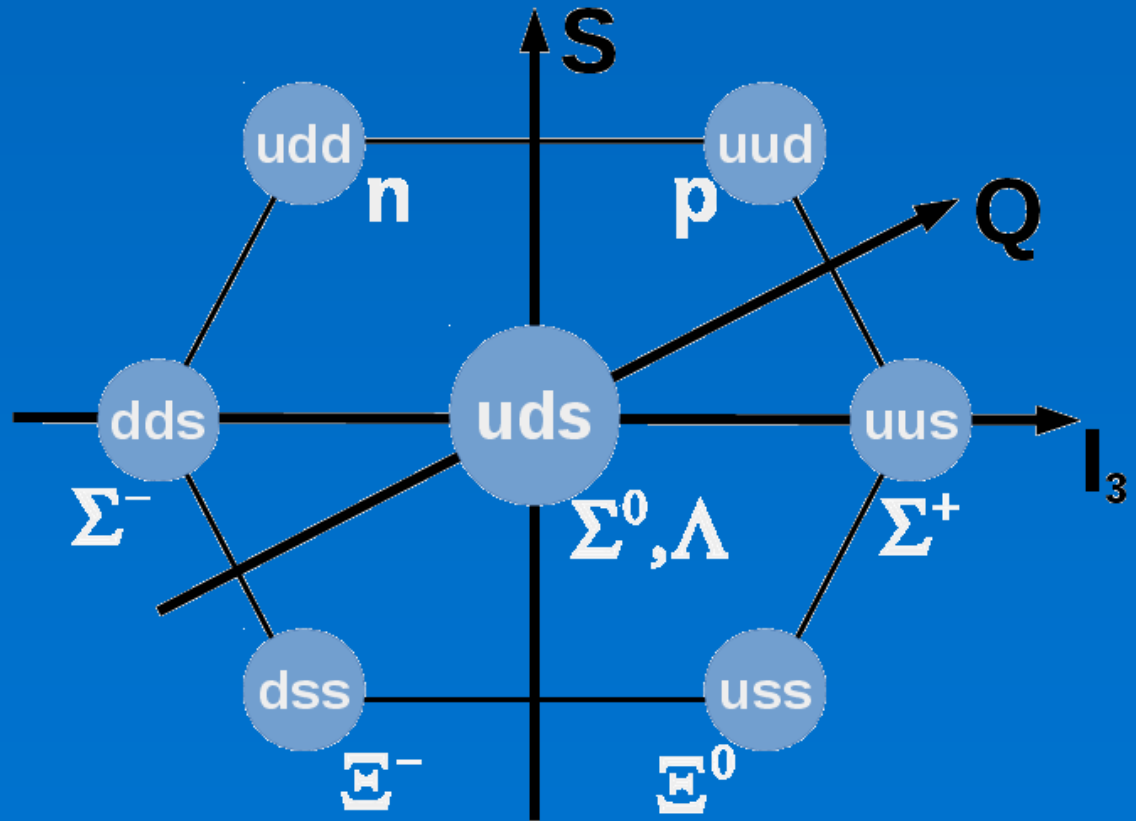
Λ_{dir} : Direct production

Λ_{Σ^0} : Λ originating from Σ^0 decays

UrQMD
GiBUU

THERMUS

Data for
 $p + p$

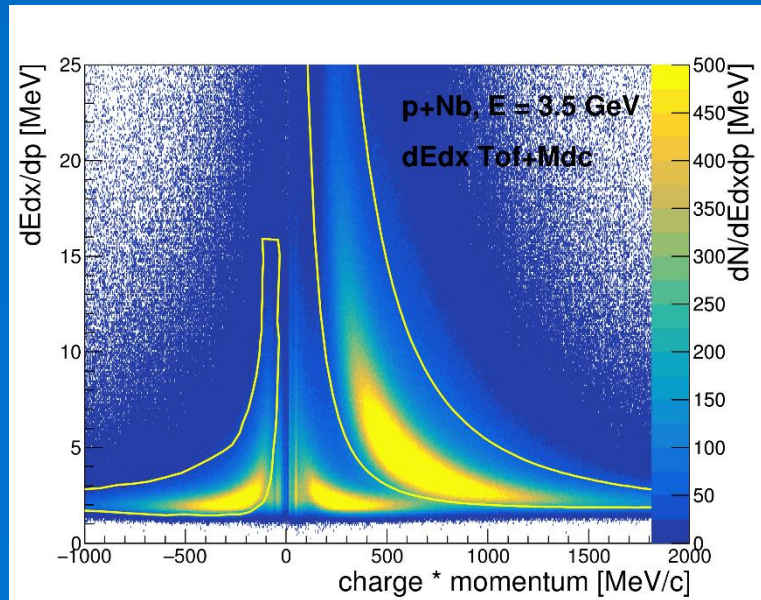
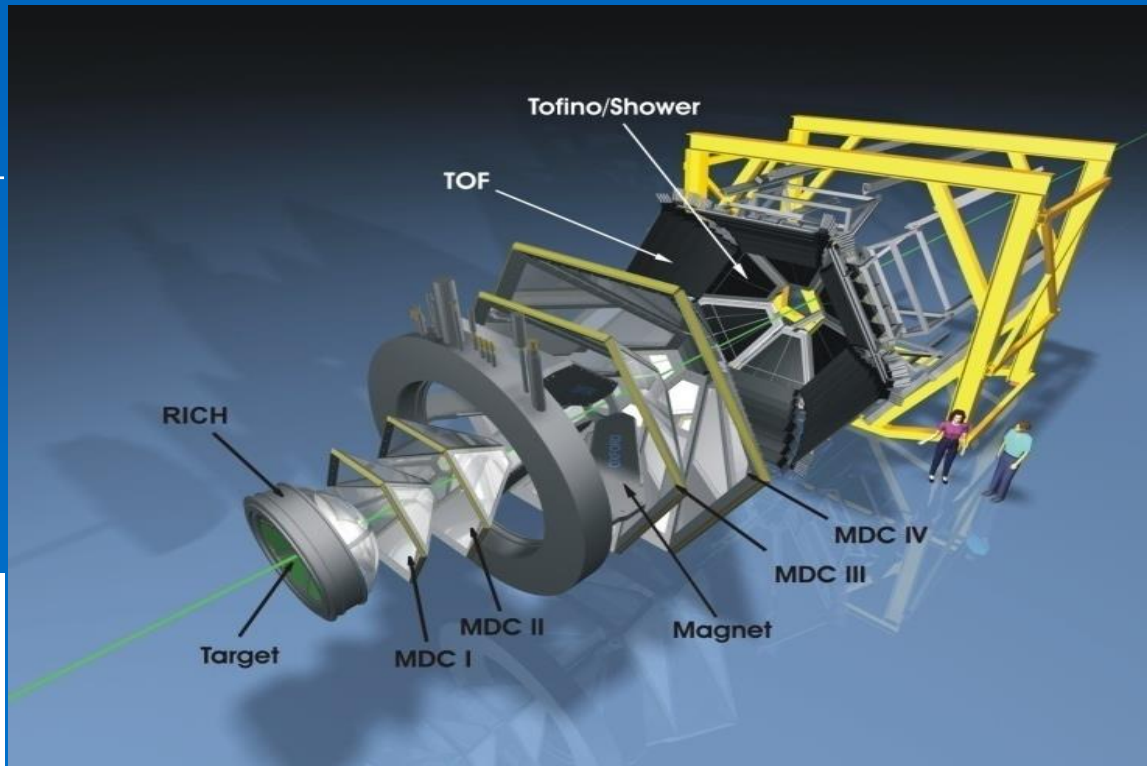




The HADES Experiment



Observable	Detector
p	MDC (Magnet)
β	TOF(ino)
dE/dx	MDC / TOF(ino)
e^+/e^-	RICH / Pre-Shower

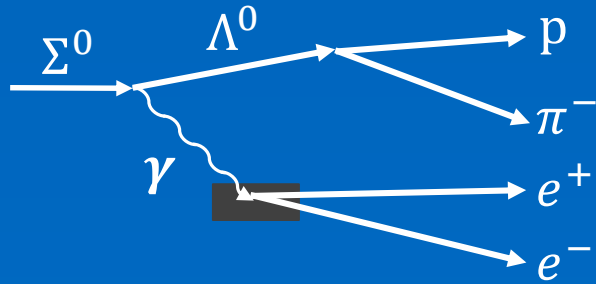


p + Nb, $E_{kin} = 3.5$ GeV
reconstructed

$N = 4.21 \cdot 10^9$ evt
 $N = 1.3 \cdot 10^6$ Λ

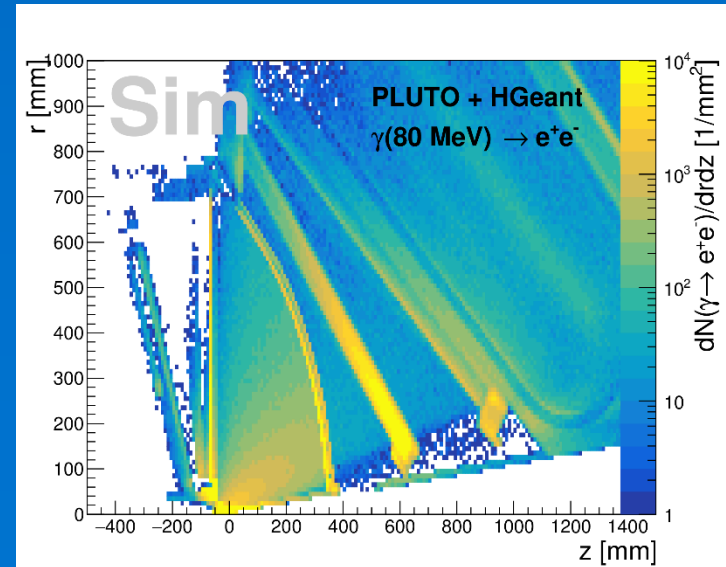
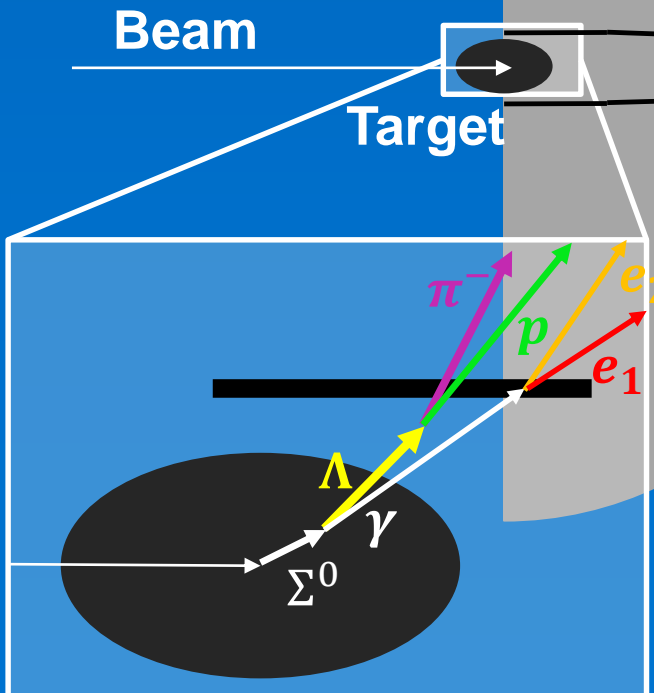
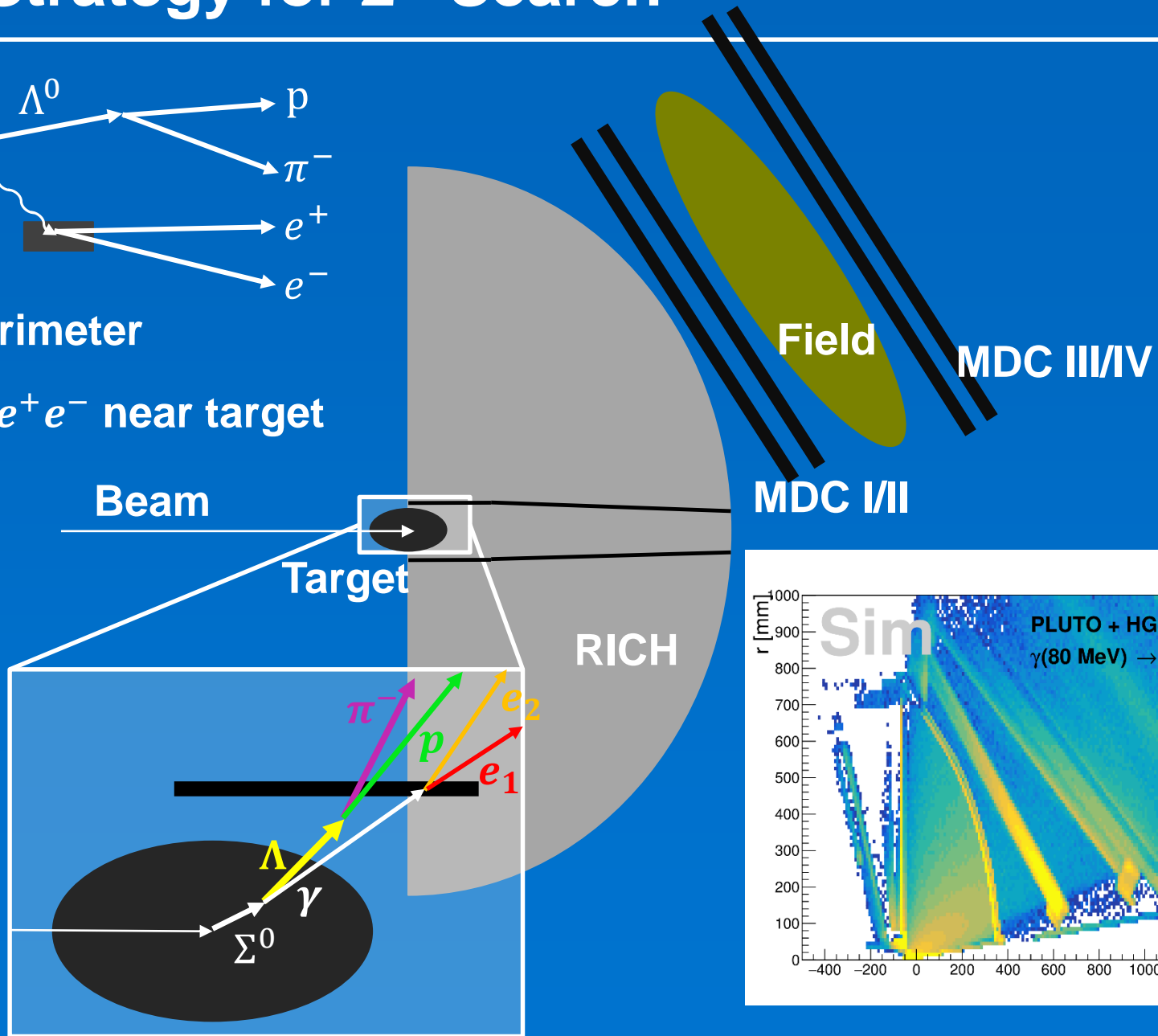


Strategy for Σ^0 Search



No Calorimeter

3% $\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$ near target

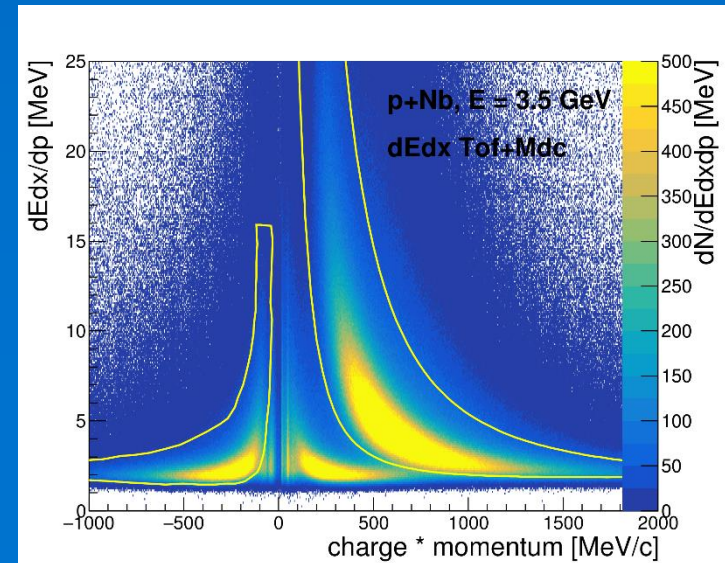
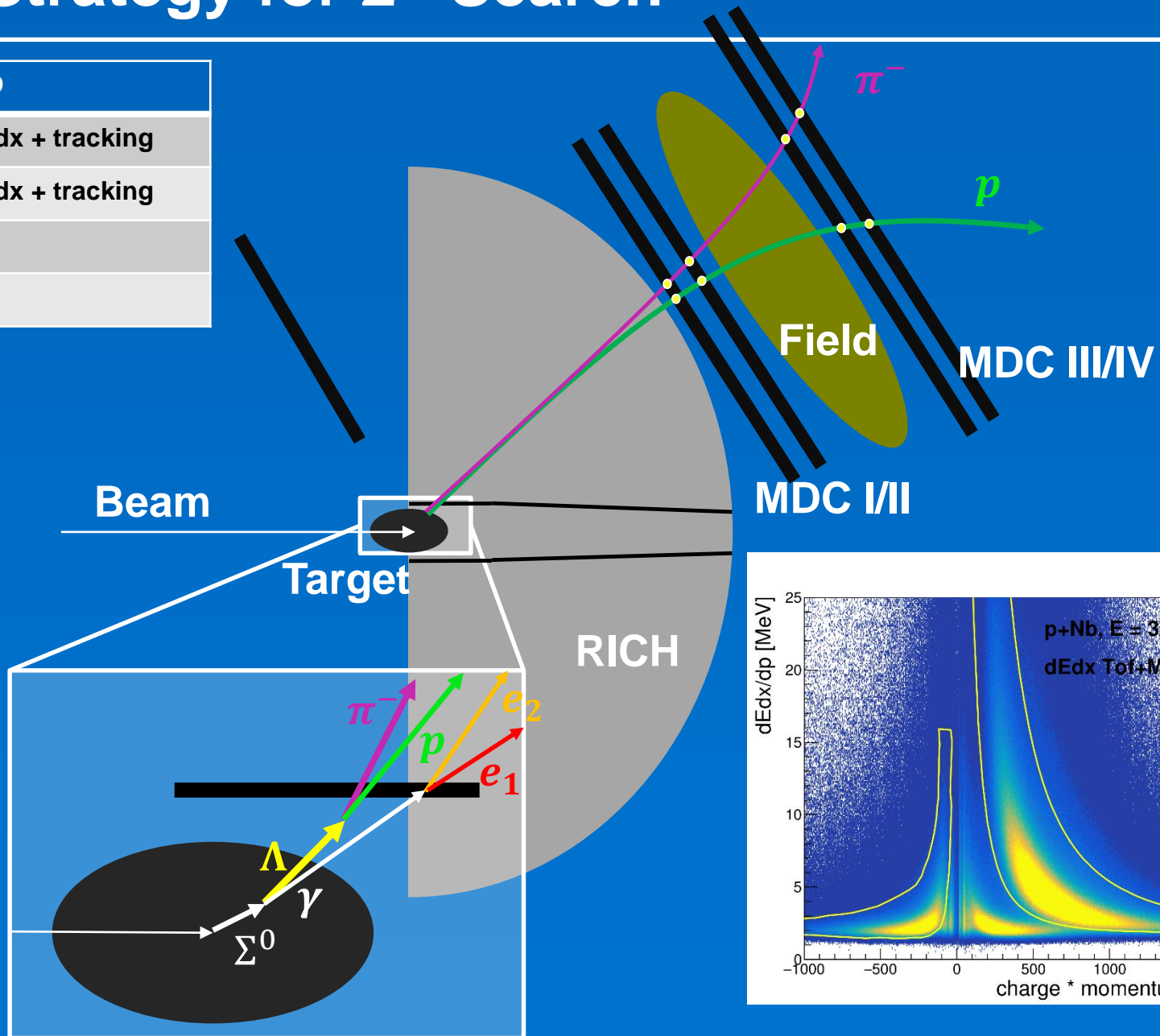




Strategy for Σ^0 Search



Particle	PID
p	dEdx + tracking
π^-	dEdx + tracking

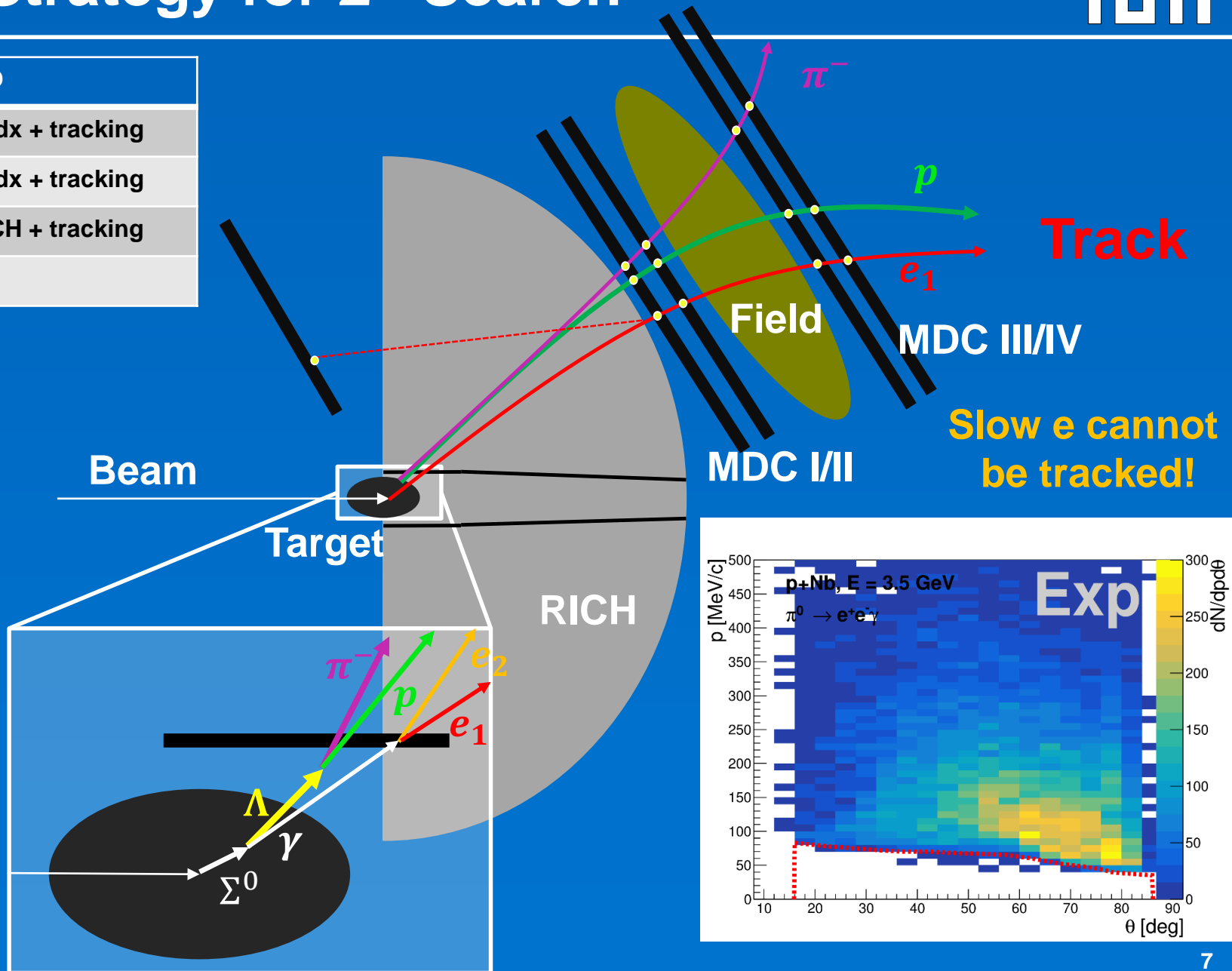




Strategy for Σ^0 Search



Particle	PID
p	dEdx + tracking
π^-	dEdx + tracking
e_1	RICH + tracking





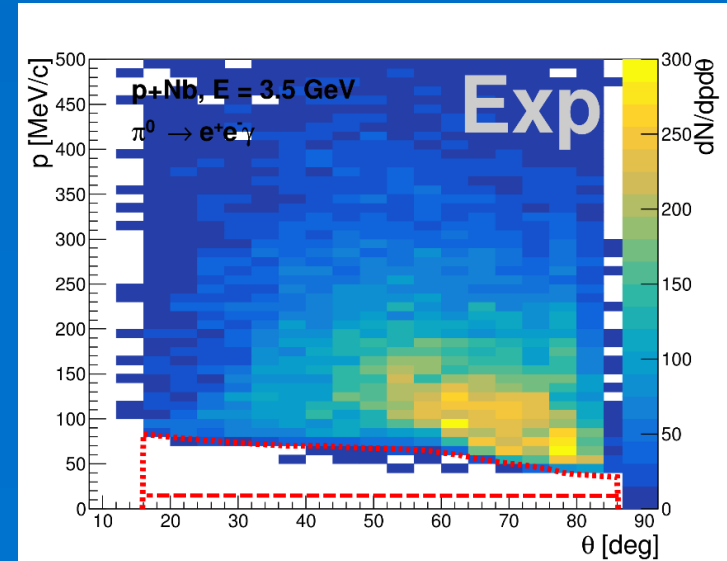
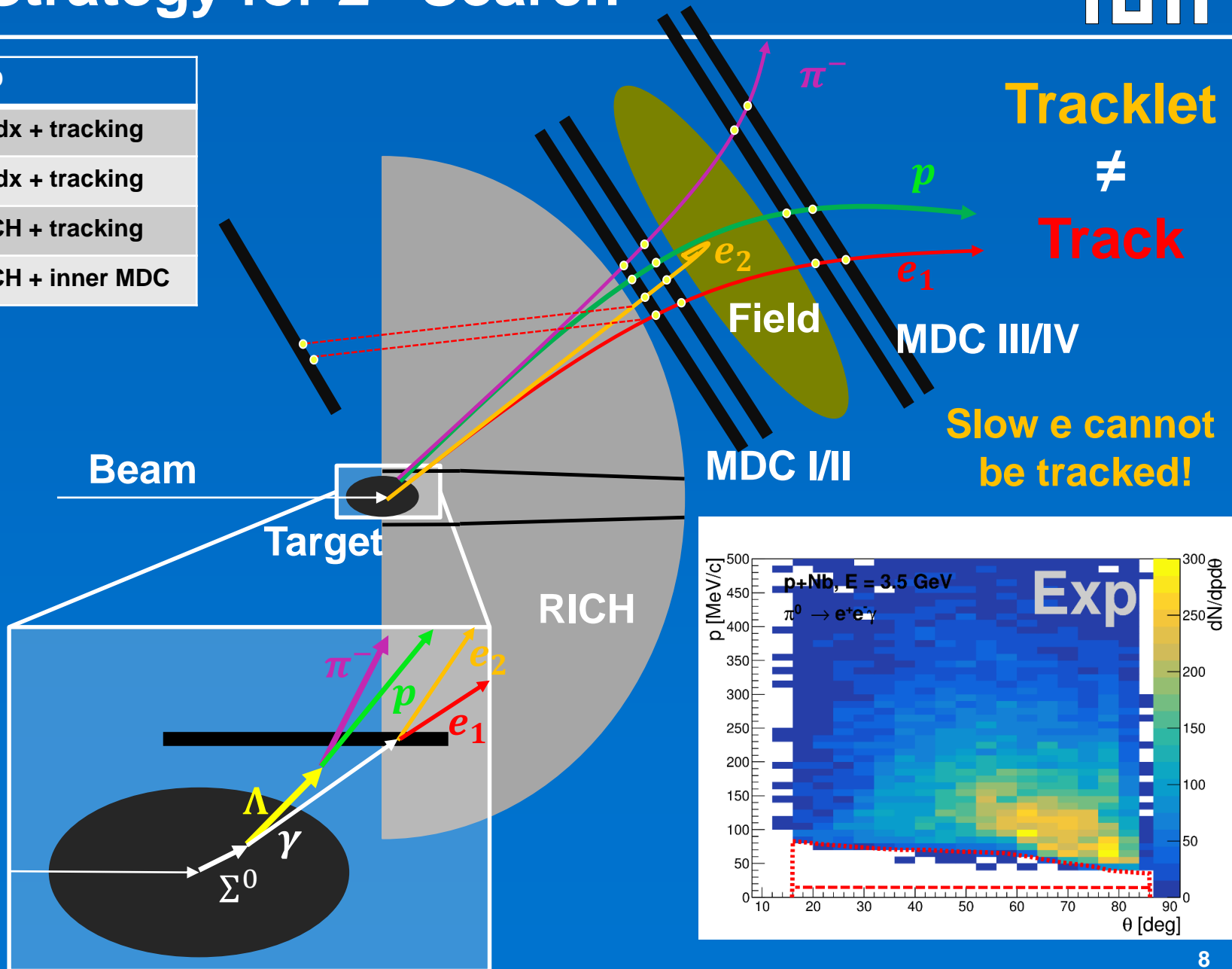
Strategy for Σ^0 Search



Tracklet
 \neq
Track

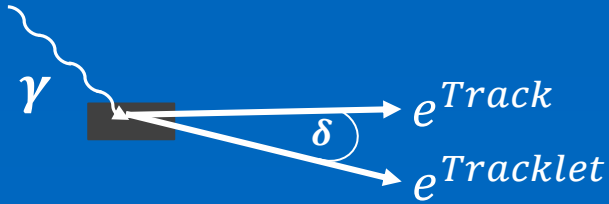
Slow e cannot be tracked!

Particle	PID
p	dEdx + tracking
π^-	dEdx + tracking
e_1	RICH + tracking
e_2	RICH + inner MDC





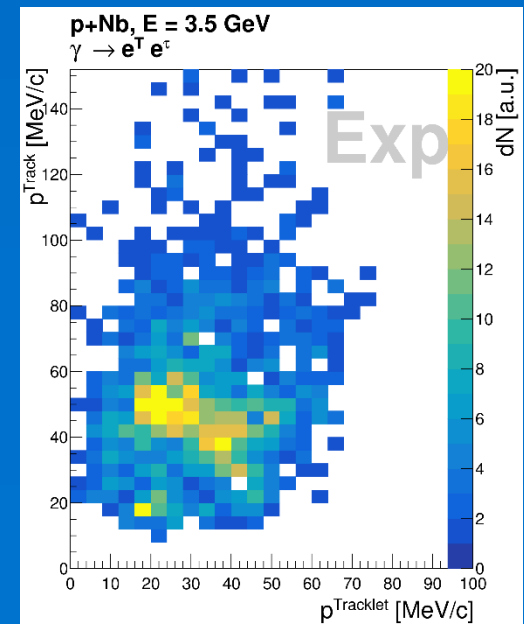
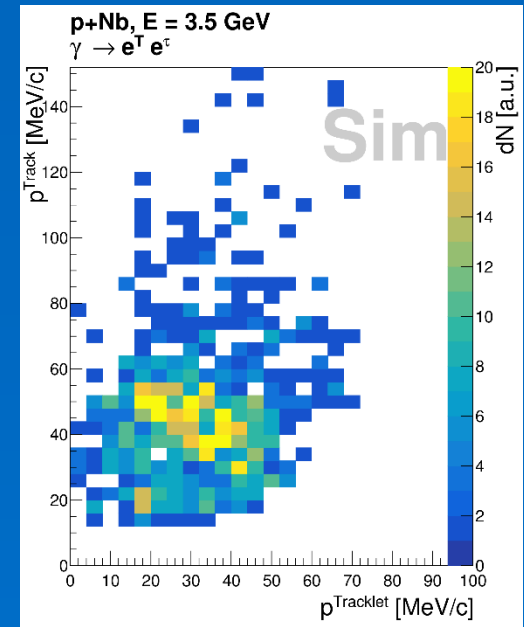
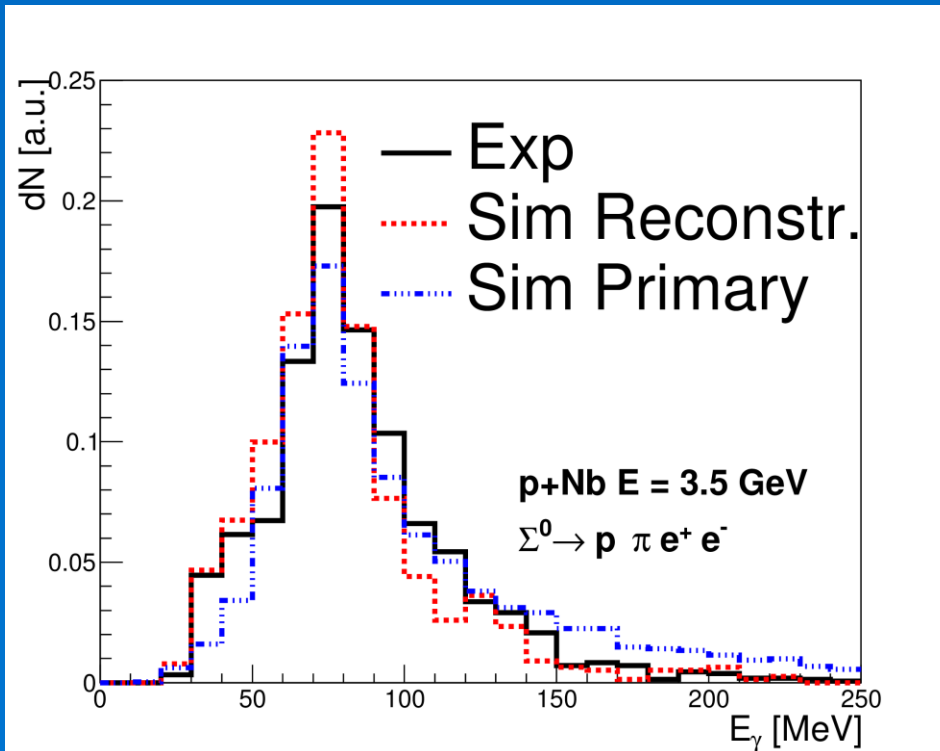
Track/Tracklet reconstruction

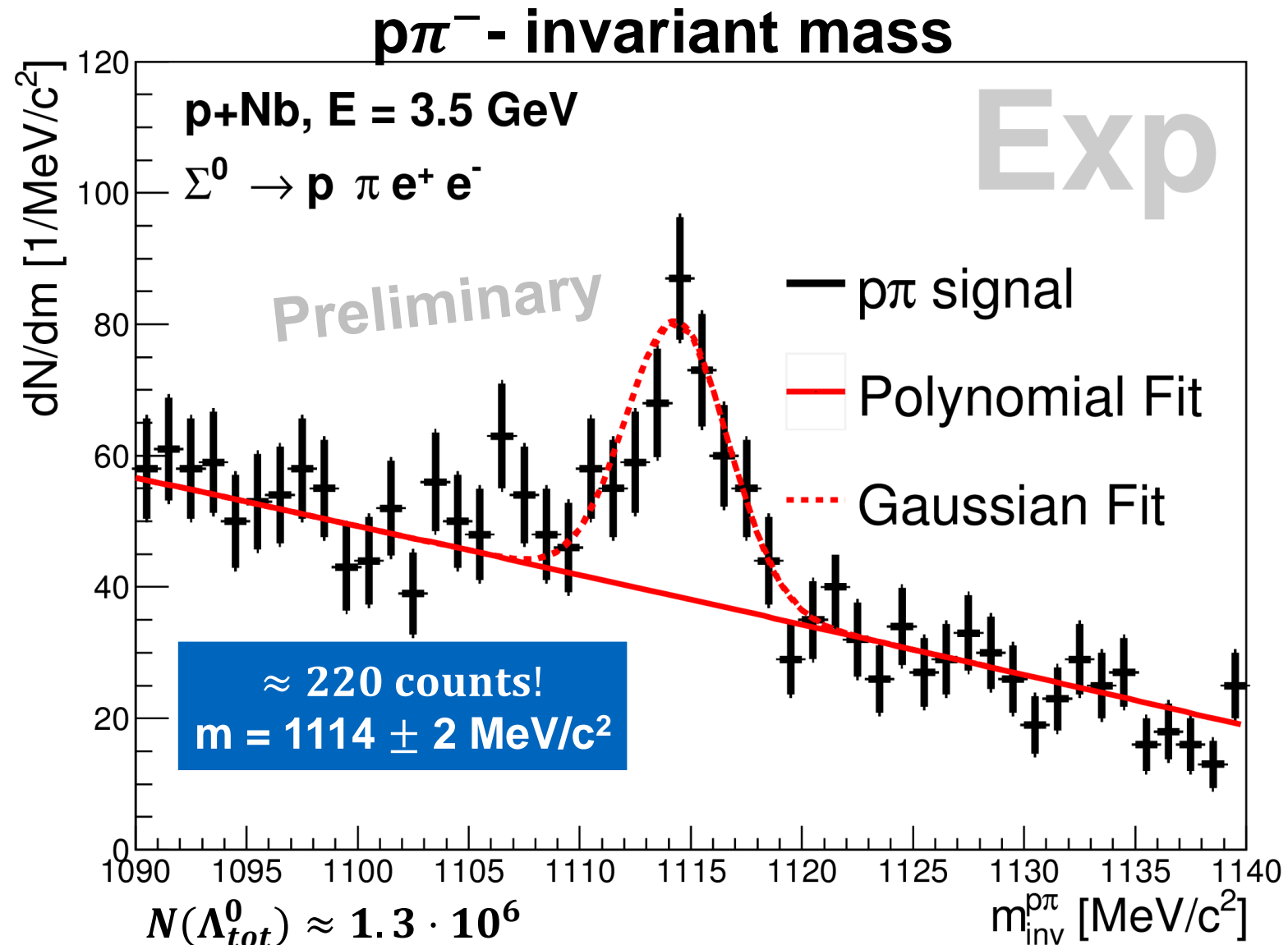


e^{Track} : θ, ϕ, p, E
 $e^{Tracklet}$: θ, ϕ
 Opening Angle δ

Event Hypothesis: $E_\gamma \approx 77 \text{ MeV}, e^{Track}, e^{Tracklet}, \delta$

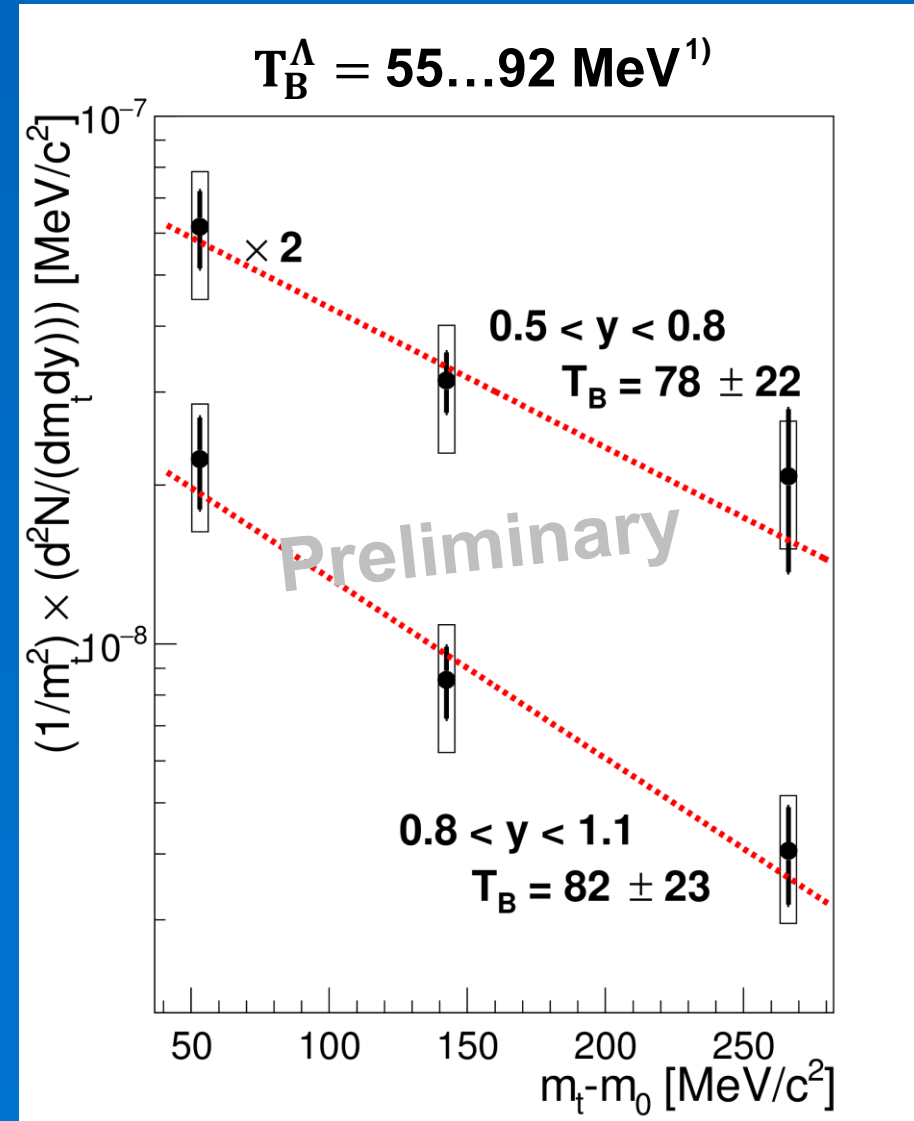
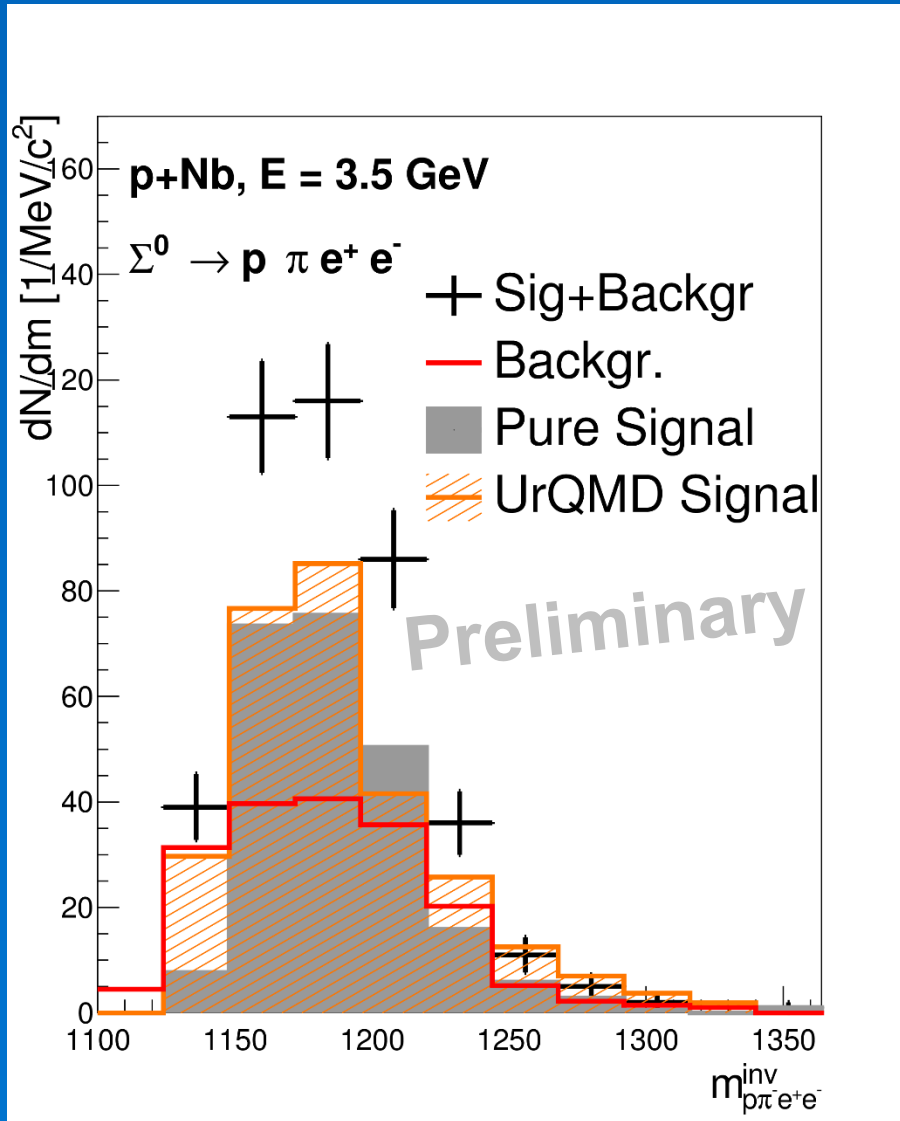
→ Calculate $p^{Tracklet}$

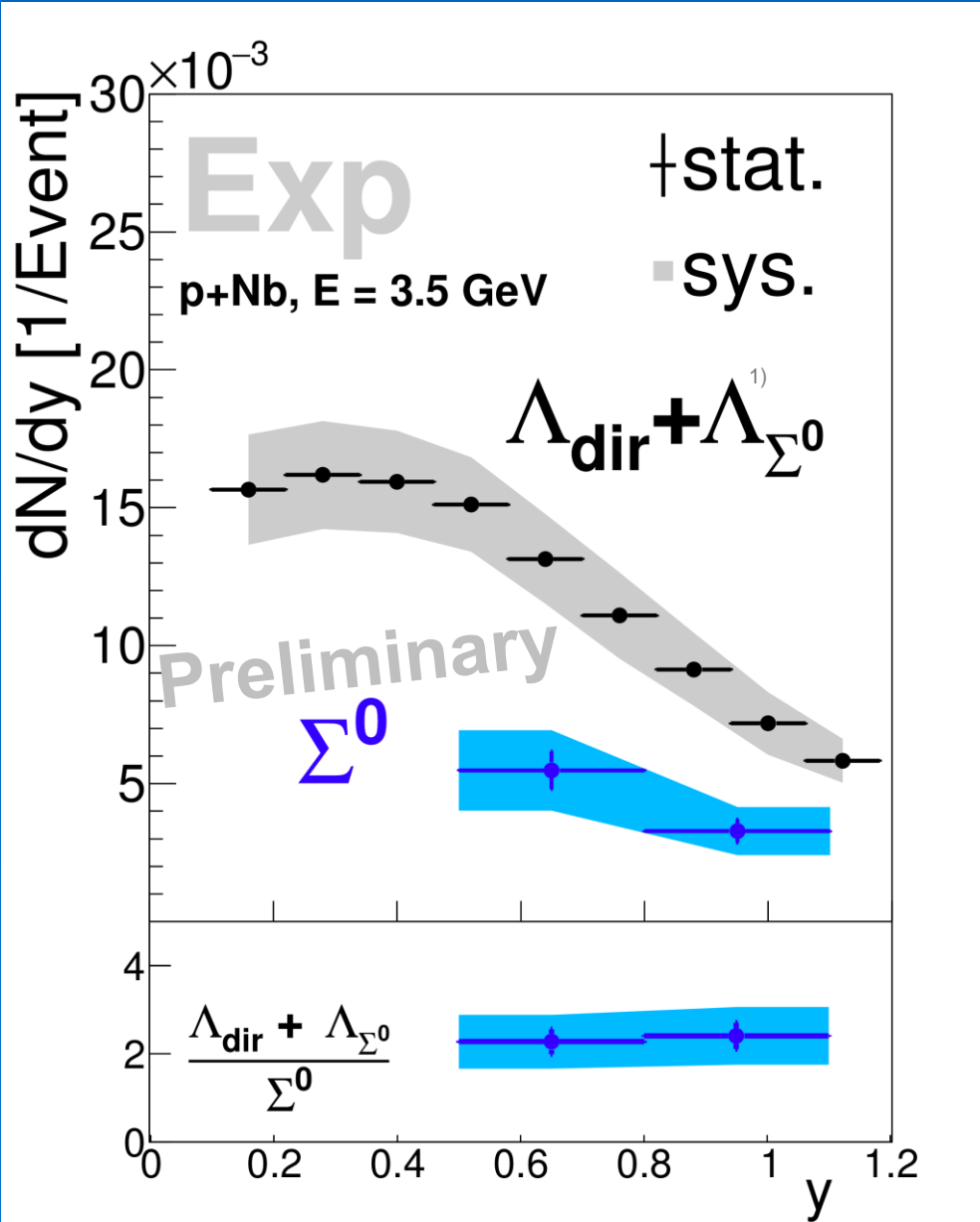






Σ^0 Signal





Measured in acceptance:

$$\frac{\Lambda_{\text{dir}} + \Lambda_{\Sigma^0}}{\Sigma^0} = 2.3$$

$\pm(0.2)^{\text{stat}}$

$\pm(0.7)^{\text{sys}}$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(\Sigma^0) = 2.3$$

$\pm(0.2)^{\text{stat}}$

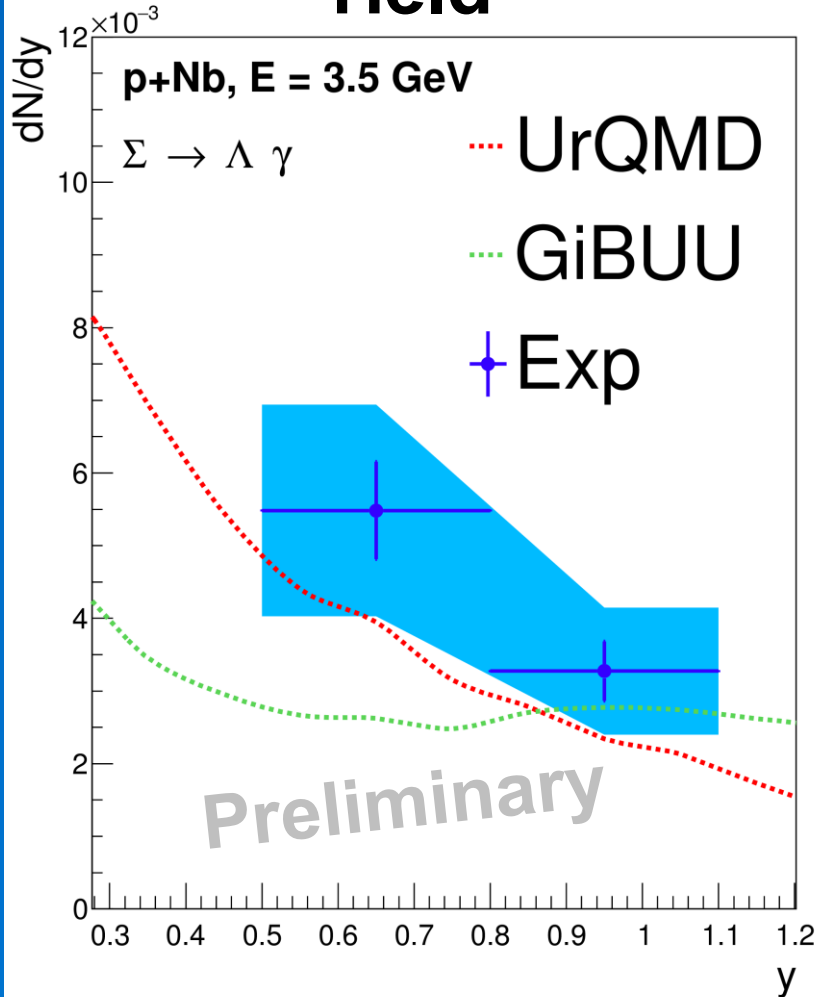
$\pm(0.6)^{\text{sys}}$

$\pm(0.2)^{\text{norm}}$

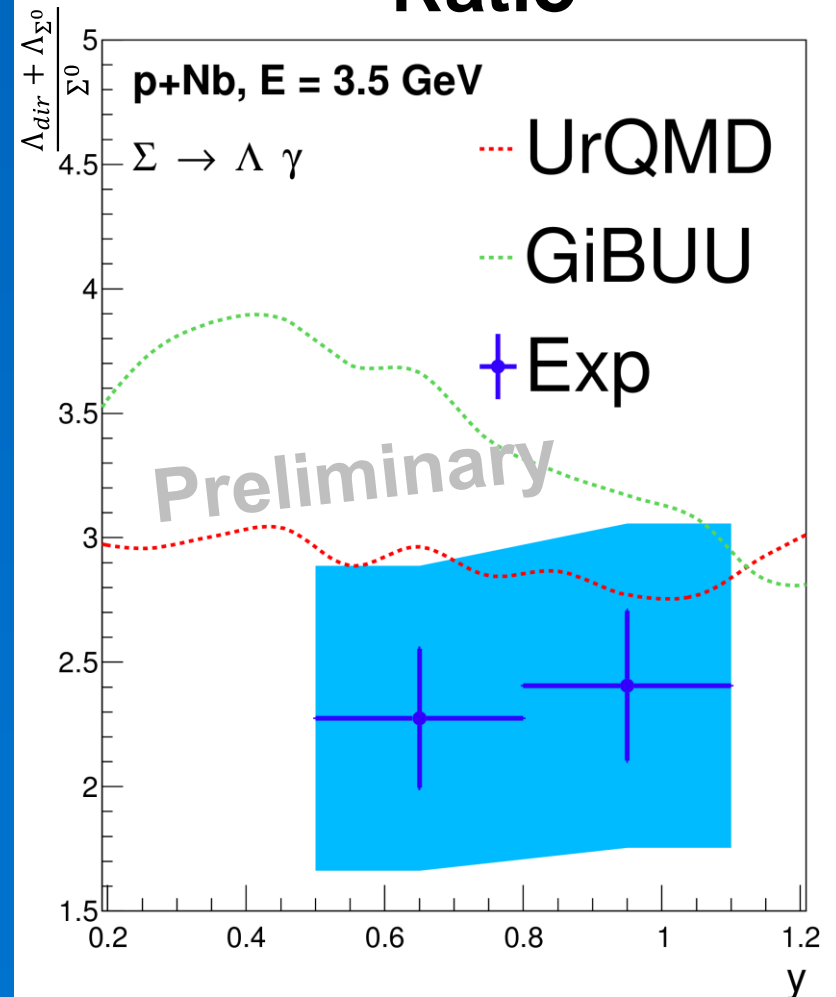
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Yield

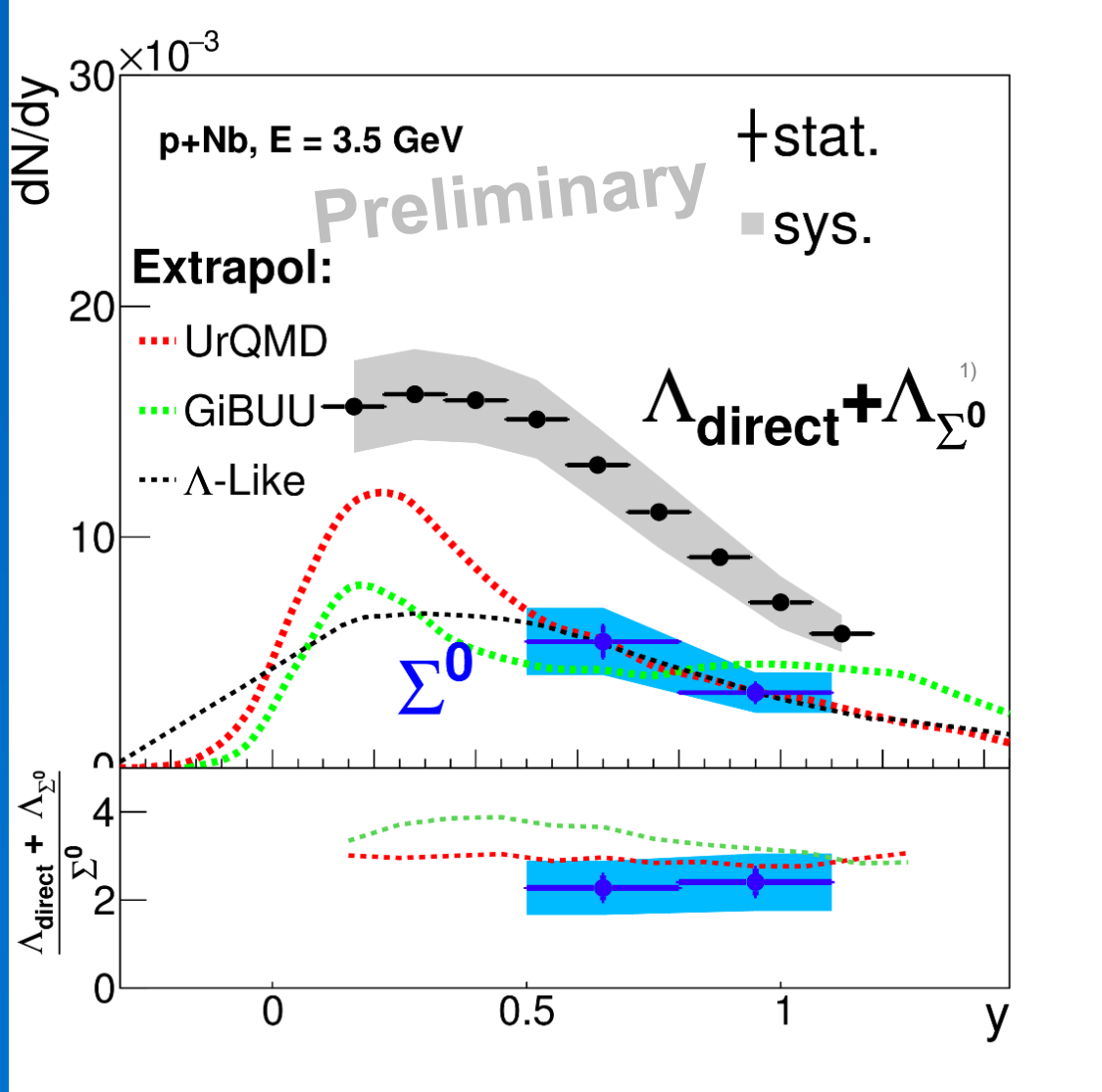


Ratio





Extrapolation



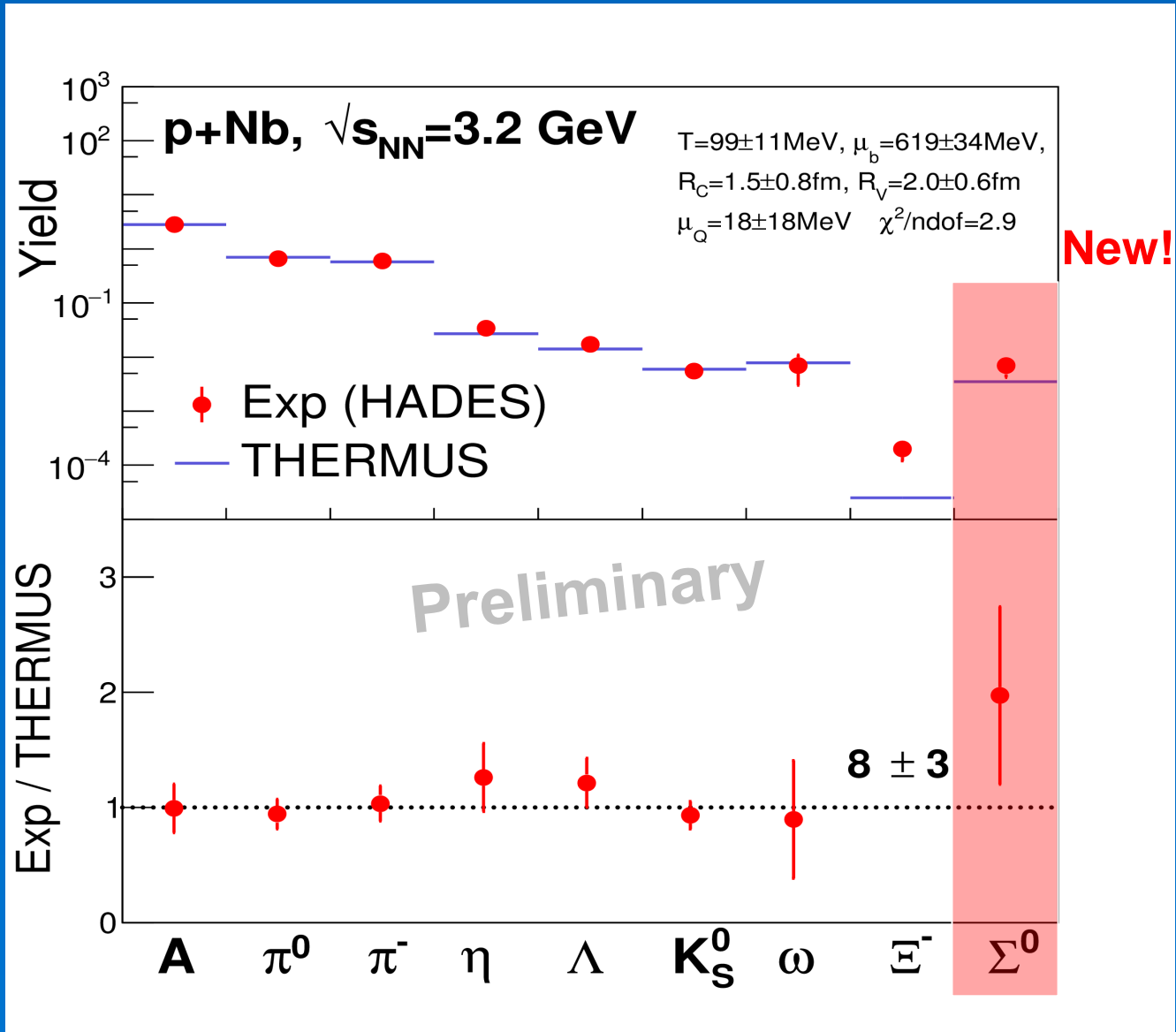
χ^2 -Fit for different shapes to Exp

	Yield / 10^3	Scaling
UrQMD	8.6	1.4
GiBUU	7.3	1.6
Λ-Like	5.2	0.4

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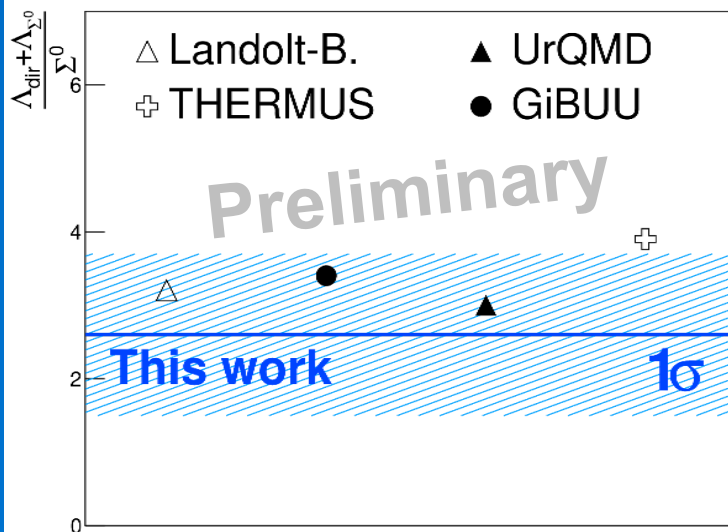


Compare to THERMUS





	$0.5 < y < 1.1$	Full y
Yield / 10^3	2.7 ± 0.7	6.2 ± 2.5
$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(\Sigma^0)$ [mb]	2.3 ± 1.2	5.8 ± 2.3
Ratio $\frac{\Lambda_{\text{dir}} + \Lambda_{\Sigma^0}}{\Sigma^0}$	2.3 ± 0.6	2.6 ± 1.1

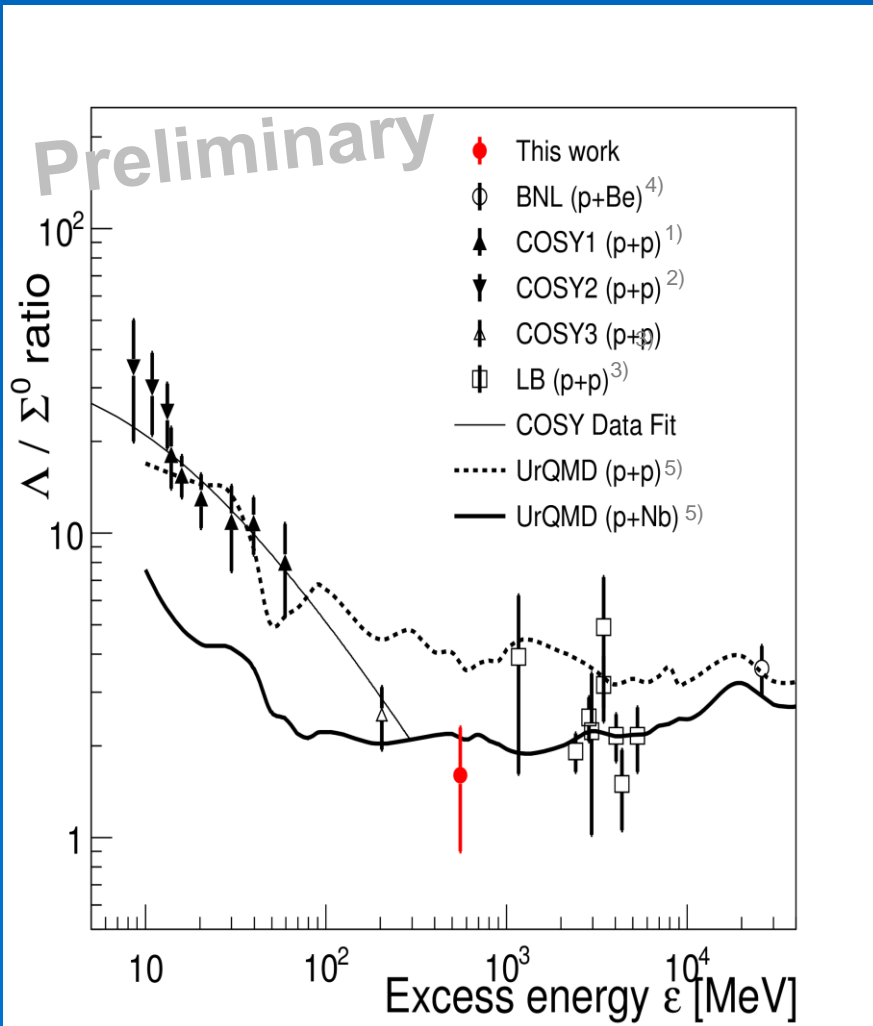


UrQMD ¹⁾	$\frac{\Lambda_{\text{dir}} + \Lambda_{\Sigma^0}}{\Sigma^0} = 3.0$
GiBUU ²⁾	$\frac{\Lambda_{\text{dir}} + \Lambda_{\Sigma^0}}{\Sigma^0} = 3.4$
THERMUS ³⁾	$\frac{\Lambda_{\text{dir}} + \Lambda_{\Sigma^0}}{\Sigma^0} = 3.9$

1) S. A. Bass et al. Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys., 41:255–369, 1998

2) O. Buss et al., Phys. Rept., 512:1–124, 2012

3) S. Wheaton et al., Co. Phys. Com., 180:84–106, 2009



$N(\Sigma^0)$ reconstructed: ≈ 220

$$\sigma_{p+A}^{tot}(\Sigma^0) = 5.8 \pm 2.3 \text{ mb}$$

$$\frac{\Lambda_{\text{dir}}}{\Sigma^0} = 1.6 \pm 0.7$$

New data point for p + A!

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Photon detector for RICH

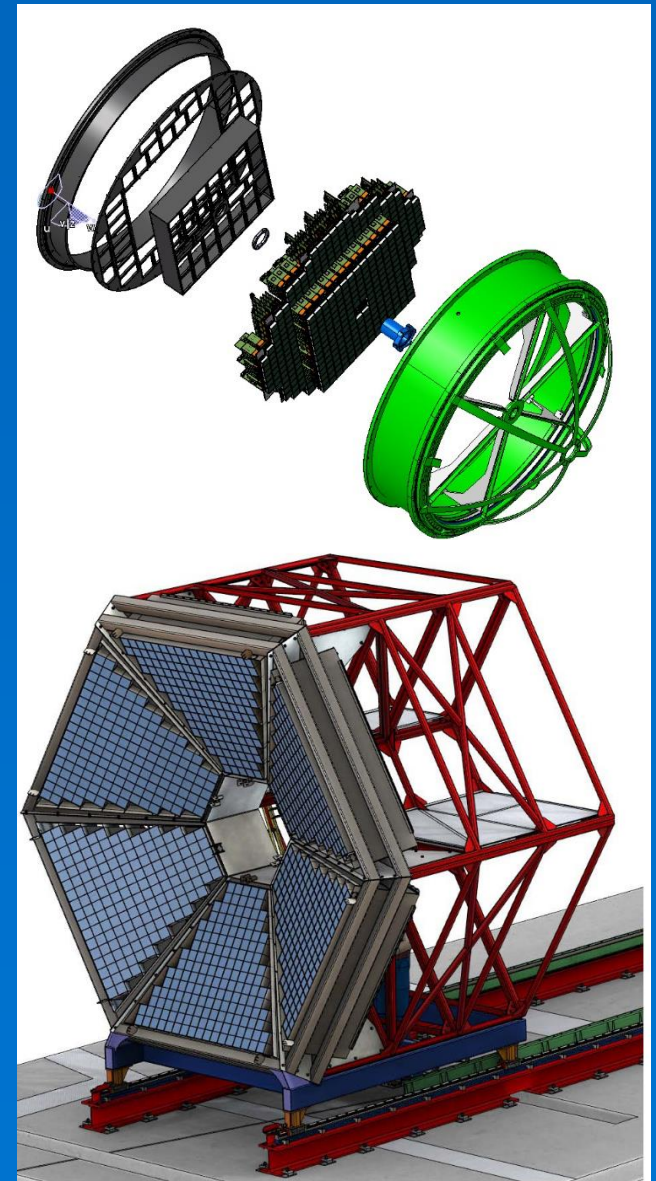
- MAPMTs
- Close pair eff. ↗
- Single e eff. ↗

Electromagnetic Calorimeter

- Direct detection of $\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$

Forward Straw Tube Tracker

- Bigger acceptance for Λ





Thank you for your attention

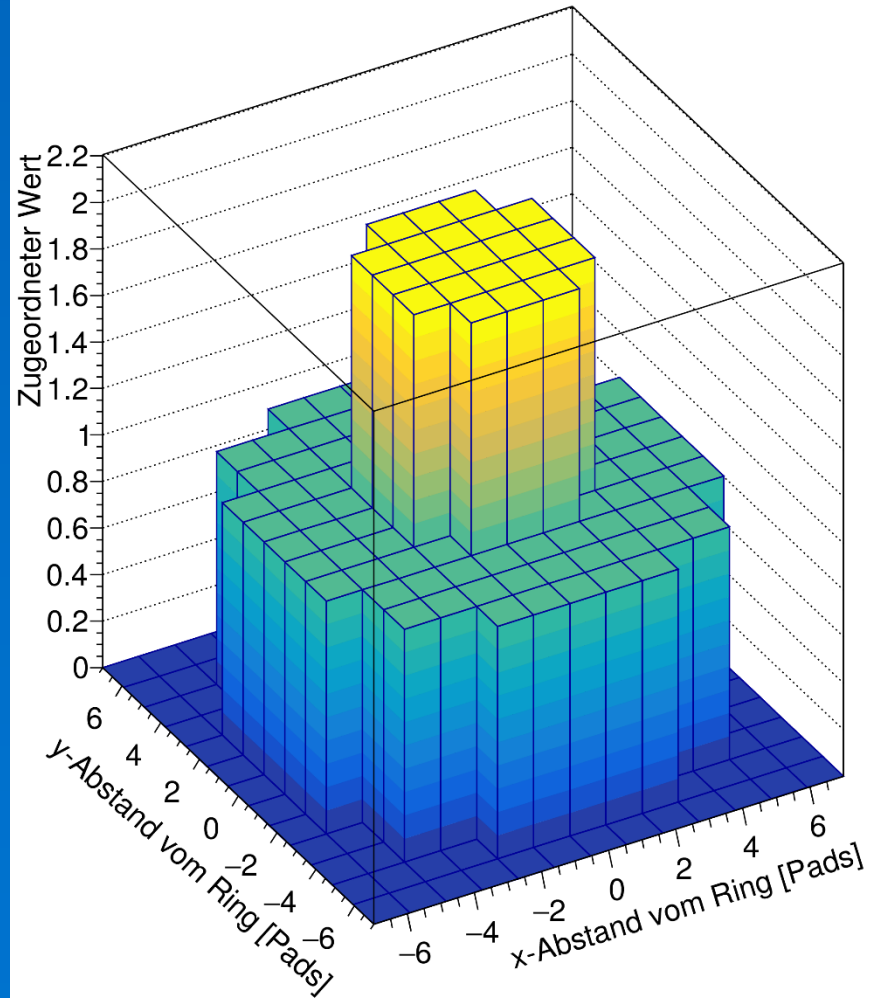
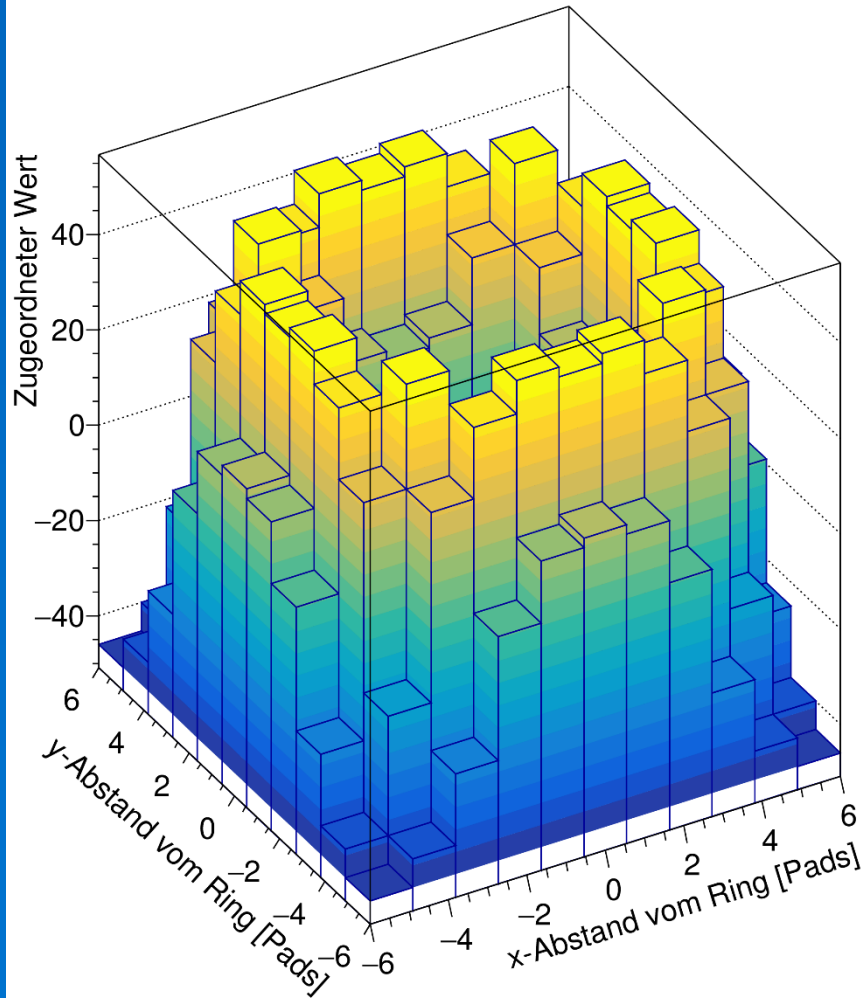




Errors	Value [%]
Normalization	11.2
e^+ / e^- ID ¹⁾	25
Λ ID ²⁾	4.4 - 4.9
Backgr. subtr.	7.7
Extrapolation	28.1
Statistical	8.6

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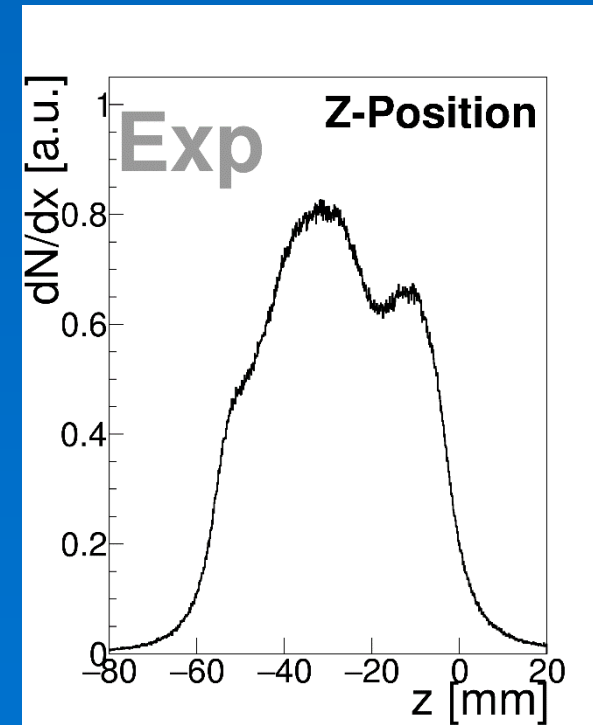
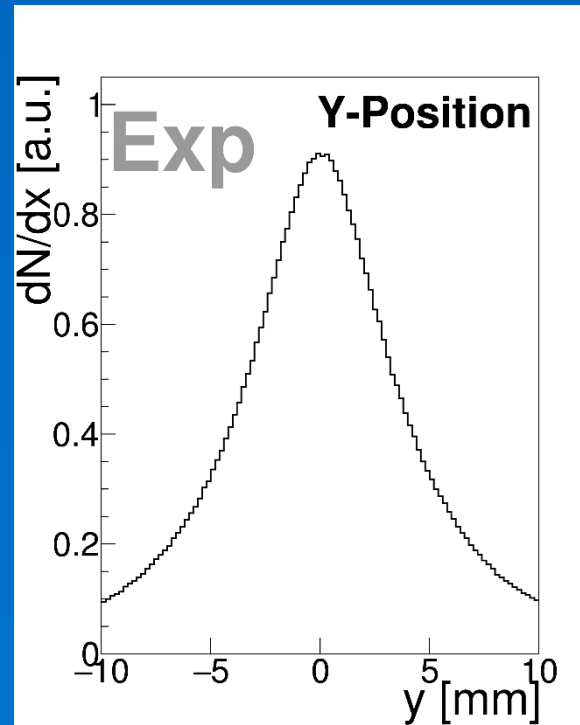
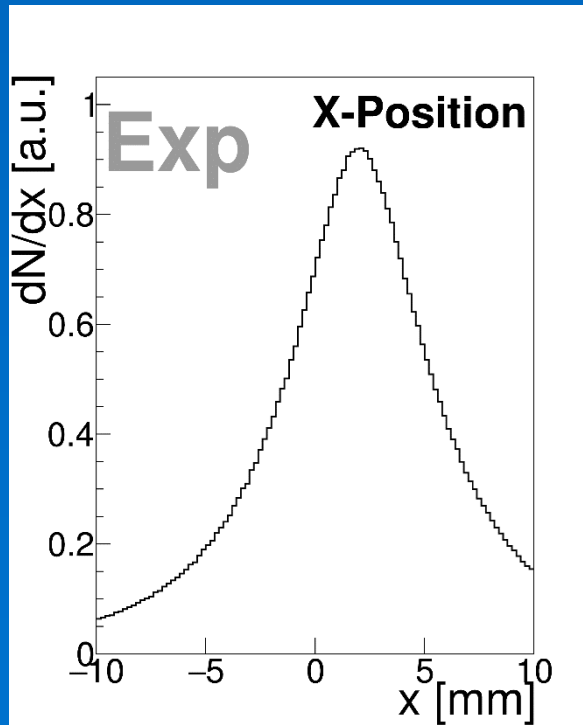


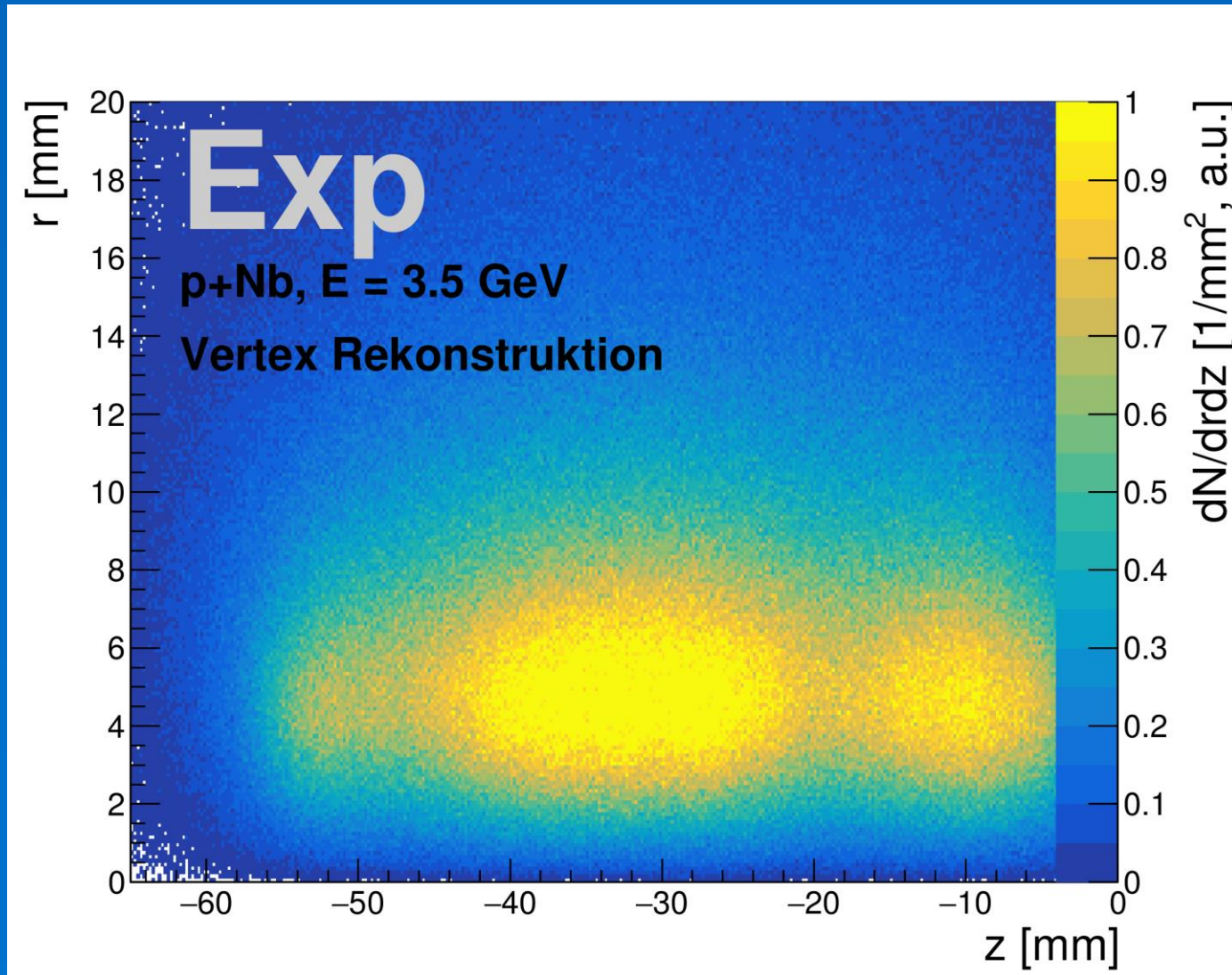


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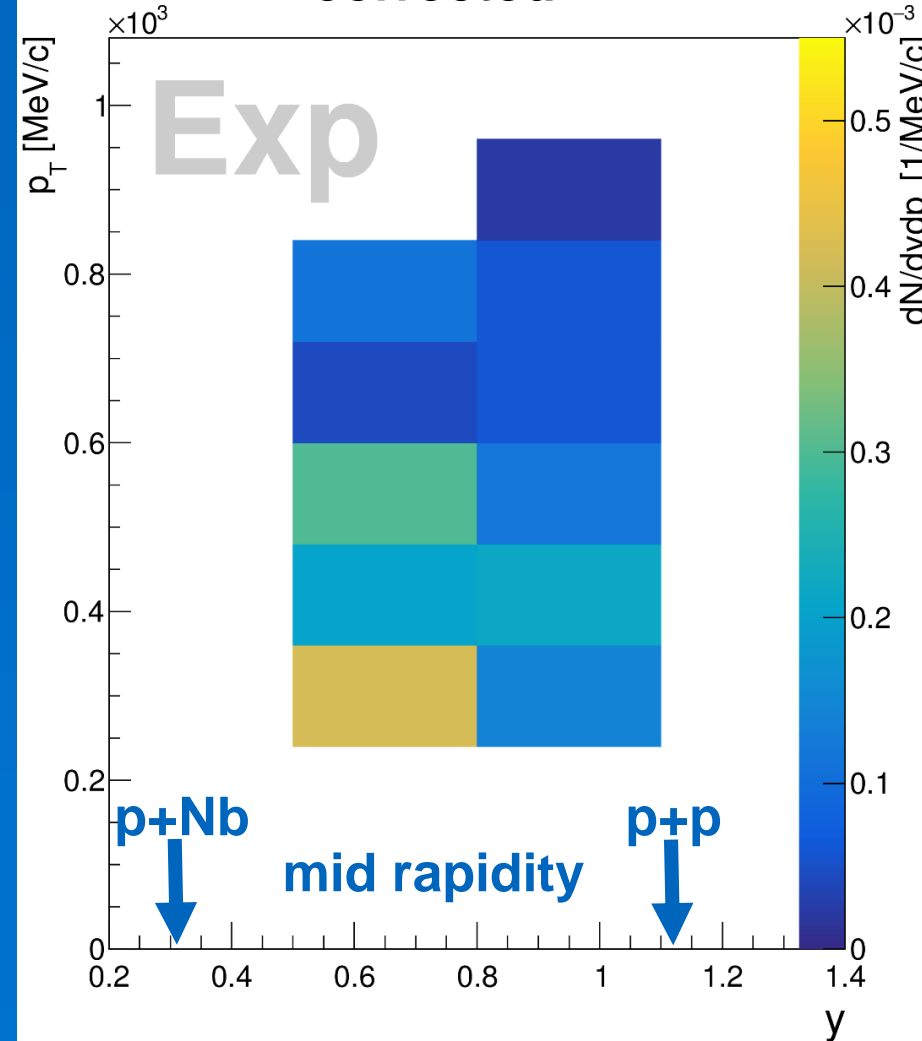




Σ^0 Signal



corrected



$(1/m_t^2) \times (d^2N/(dm dy))$ [MeV/c²]

