

# PHOTOPRODUCTION OF 2 $\pi^0$ AND $\omega$ MESONS AT GRAAL

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## GENERAL PROCEDURE

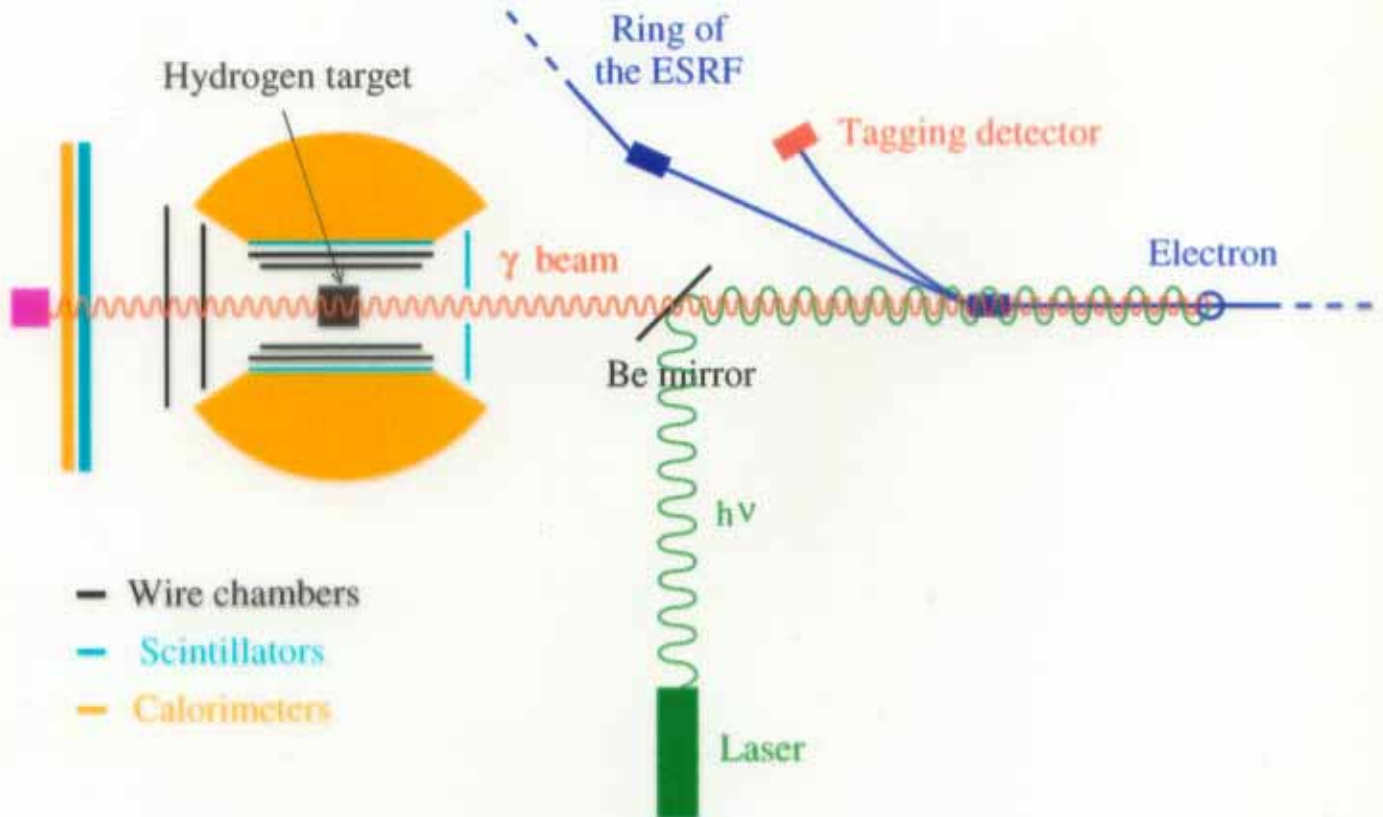
1- Two sets of data corresponding to 2 periods of measurement:

- January 2000: UV lines  $\rightarrow E_\gamma = 700-1500$  MeV
- October 2000: green line  $\rightarrow E_\gamma = 650-1100$  MeV

2- Analysis of several channels with the 2 sets and as far as possible with the same programs:

- to check the quality and the consistency of the 2 sets
- to validate our programs of simulation and analysis by comparing our results with previous known ones.
- to extract with the same conditions the channels under study

## Setup of GRAAL



**CENTRAL ASSEMBLY:**  $25 \leq \theta \leq 155$

- BGO ball as calorimeter:  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  and  $E_\gamma$
- barrel of scintillators:  $t$  and  $\Delta E$
- two cylindrical wire chambers.

**FORWARD ASSEMBLY:**  $1 \leq \theta \leq 25$

- shower wall: ( $n$  and  $\gamma$ ) and tof of  $n$
- double wall of scintillators:  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  and tof
- two planar wire chambers

## PHOTOPRODUCTION OF 2 $\pi^0$

### 1) Configurations of the events:

- The proton in forward wall or in the BGO ball
- 4  $\gamma$  in the BGO or 3  $\gamma$  in the BGO and 1  $\gamma$  in the shower wall

### 2) Identification of the events:

- 4 conservation laws to deduce the energies of the proton and 1  $\gamma$  when in the shower wall and to filter the events.

- control of the time and the  $\Delta E$  of the proton by the scintillator walls or the barrel

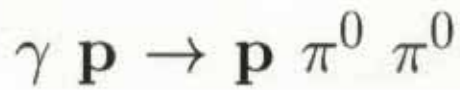
- control of the contamination by  $\gamma p \rightarrow p \eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$

### 3) Two parametrisations:

- grouping the proton and 1  $\pi^0$ :  $\gamma p \rightarrow (p \pi^0) \pi^0$
- grouping the 2  $\pi^0$ :  $\gamma p \rightarrow p (\pi^0 \pi^0)$

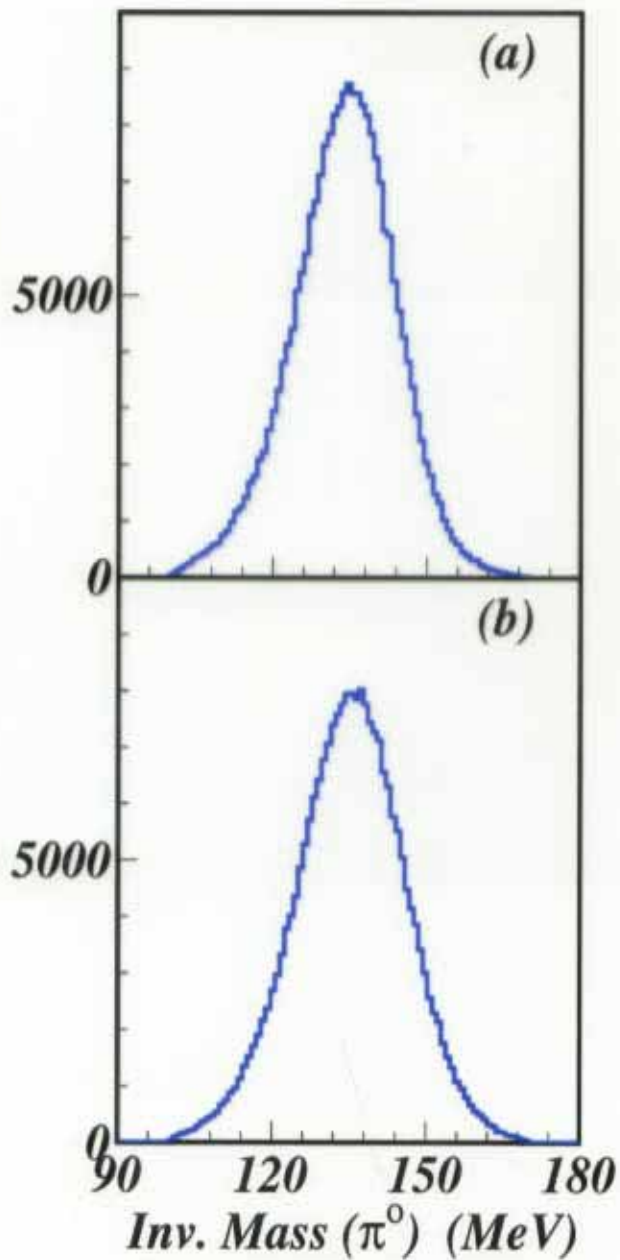
### 4) efficiency:

- variables:  $E_\gamma$ ,  $\theta(\pi^0 \pi^0)$ ,  $P(\pi^0 \pi^0)$
- event generators:  $\gamma p \rightarrow \Delta^+ \pi^0$ ,  $\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^0 \pi^0$

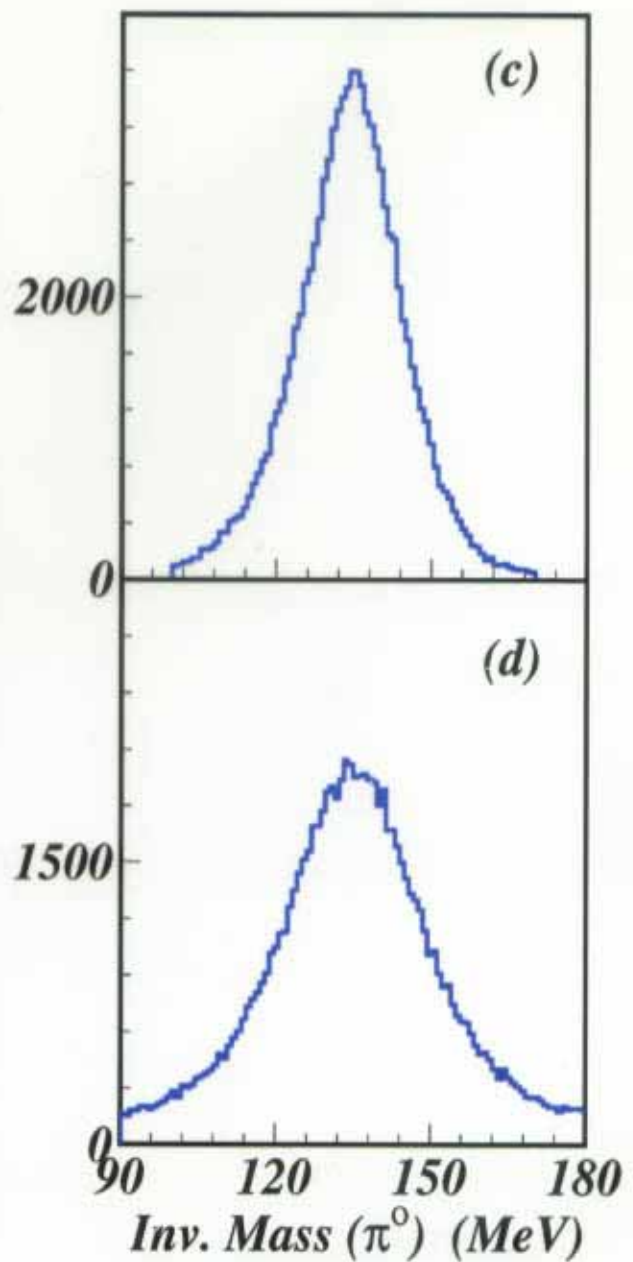


( Reconstruction of Inv. Mass of  $\pi^0$  from  $2\gamma$  )

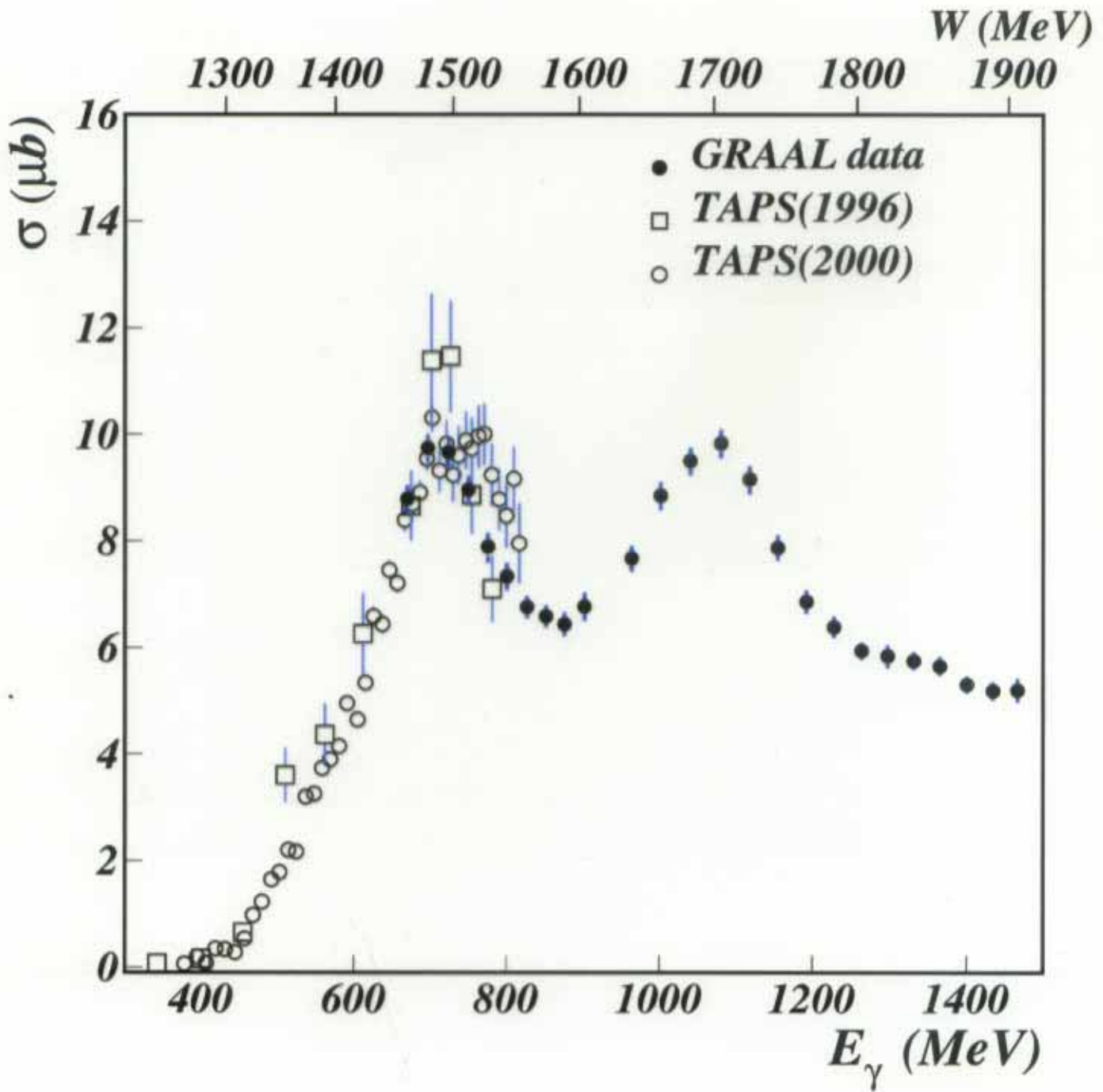
*4  $\gamma$  in BGO*



*3  $\gamma$  in BGO*

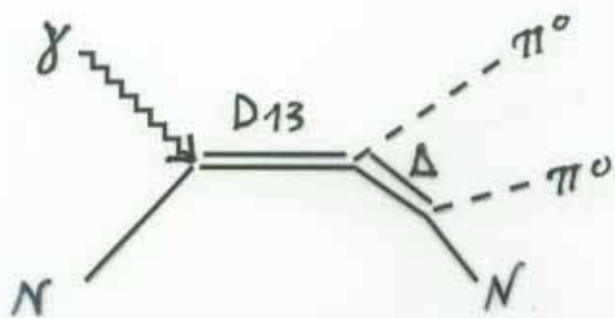


$$\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^+ \pi^0$$

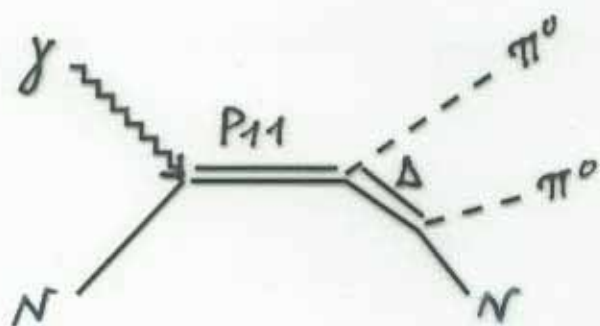


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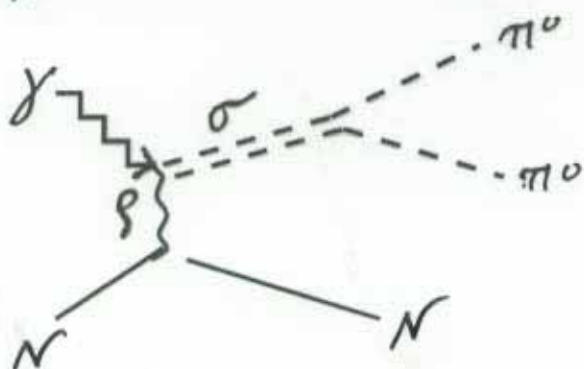
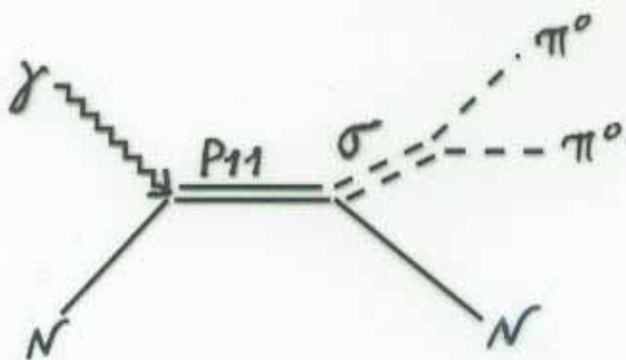
# Diagrams in Laget Model



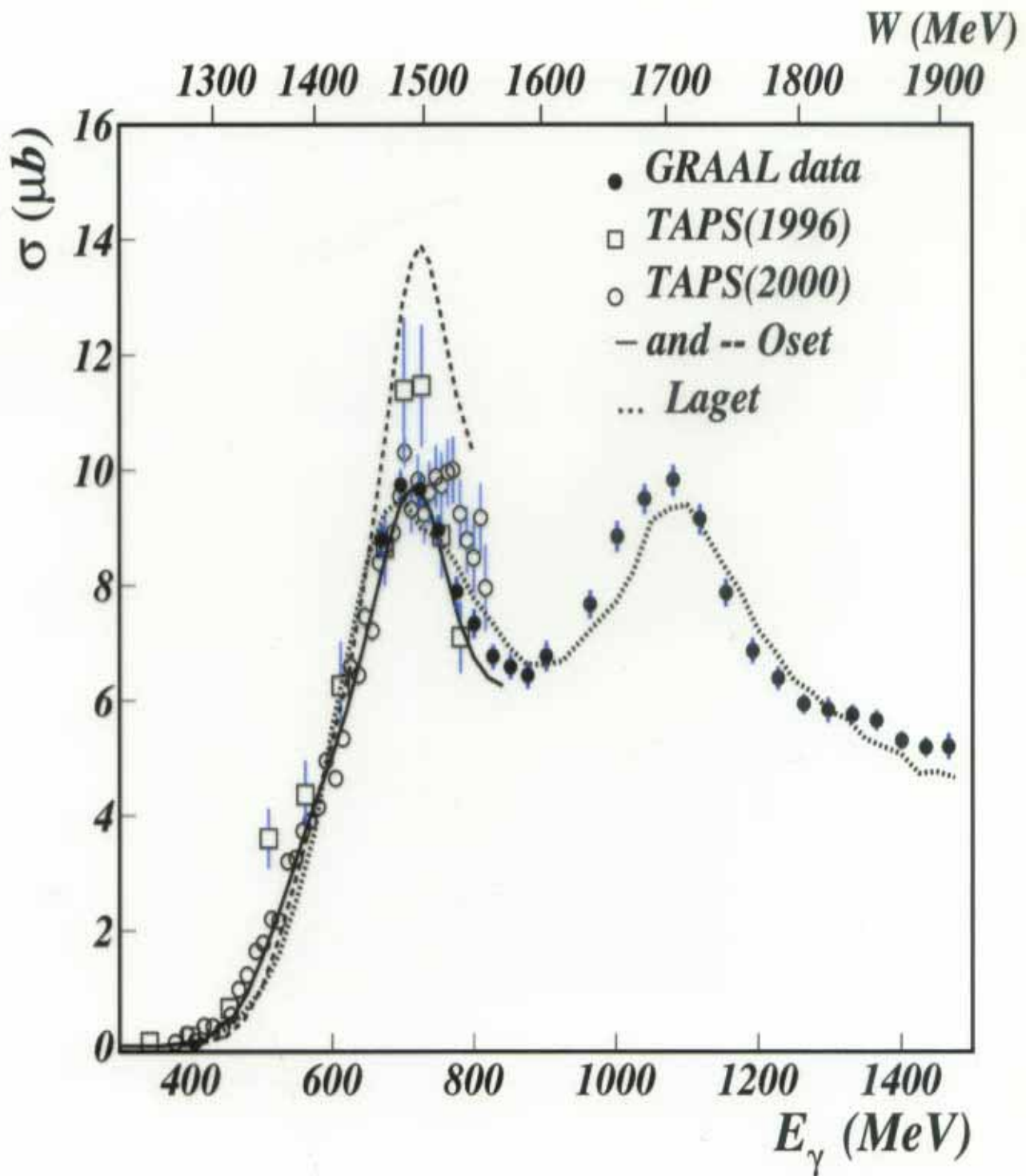
$D_{13}(1520)$   
 $D_{13}(1710)$



$P_{11}(1440)$   
 $P_{11}(1710)$



# Total cross section of $\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^0 \pi^0$



# Differential cross sections of $\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^0 \pi^0$

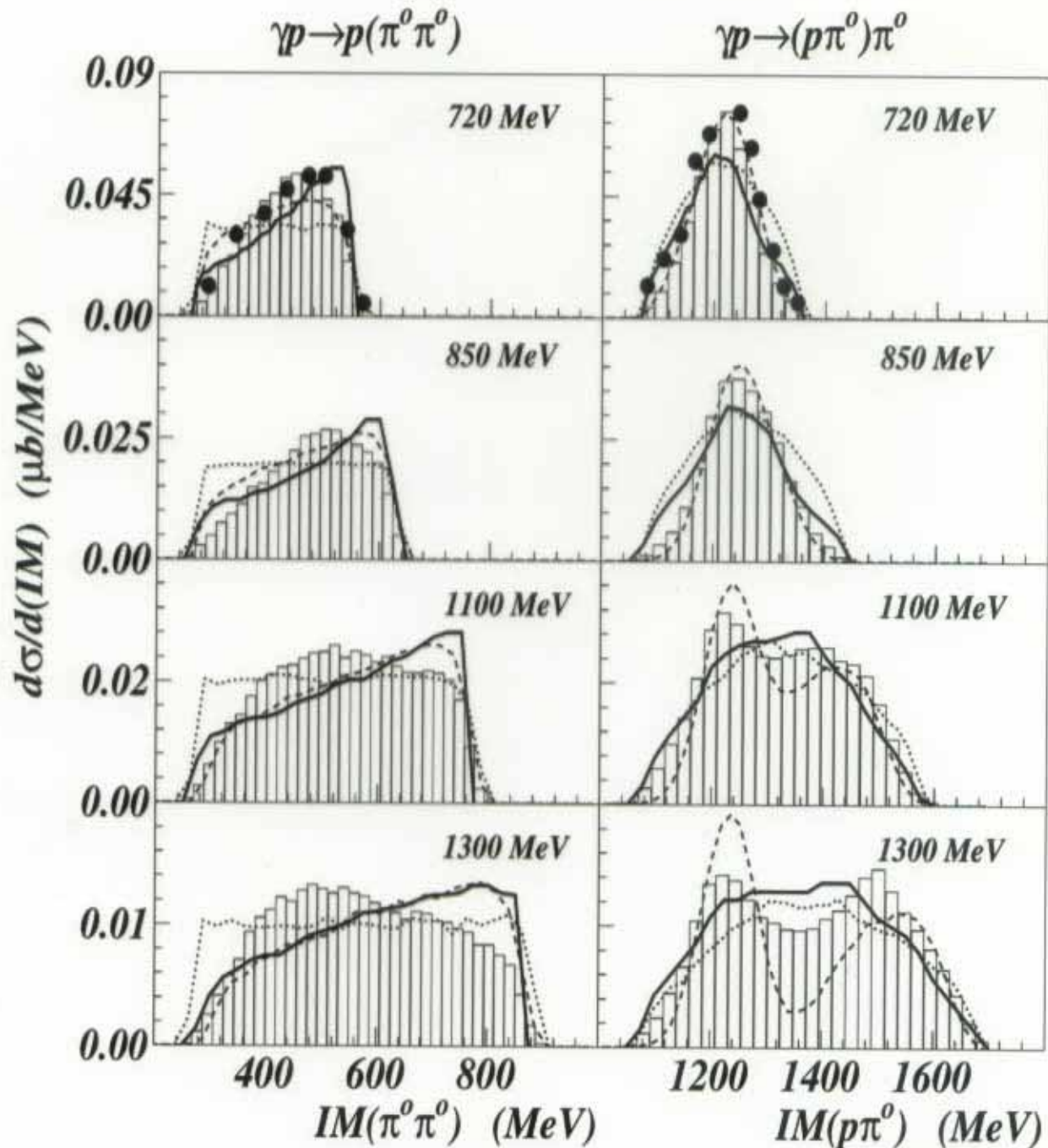
Histograms: GRAAL data

Dots at 720 MeV: from TAPS

Continuous line: Laget model

Dashed line: phase space calculation for  $\gamma p \rightarrow (p\pi^0)\pi^0$

Dotted line: phase space calculation for  $\gamma p \rightarrow p\pi^0\pi^0$

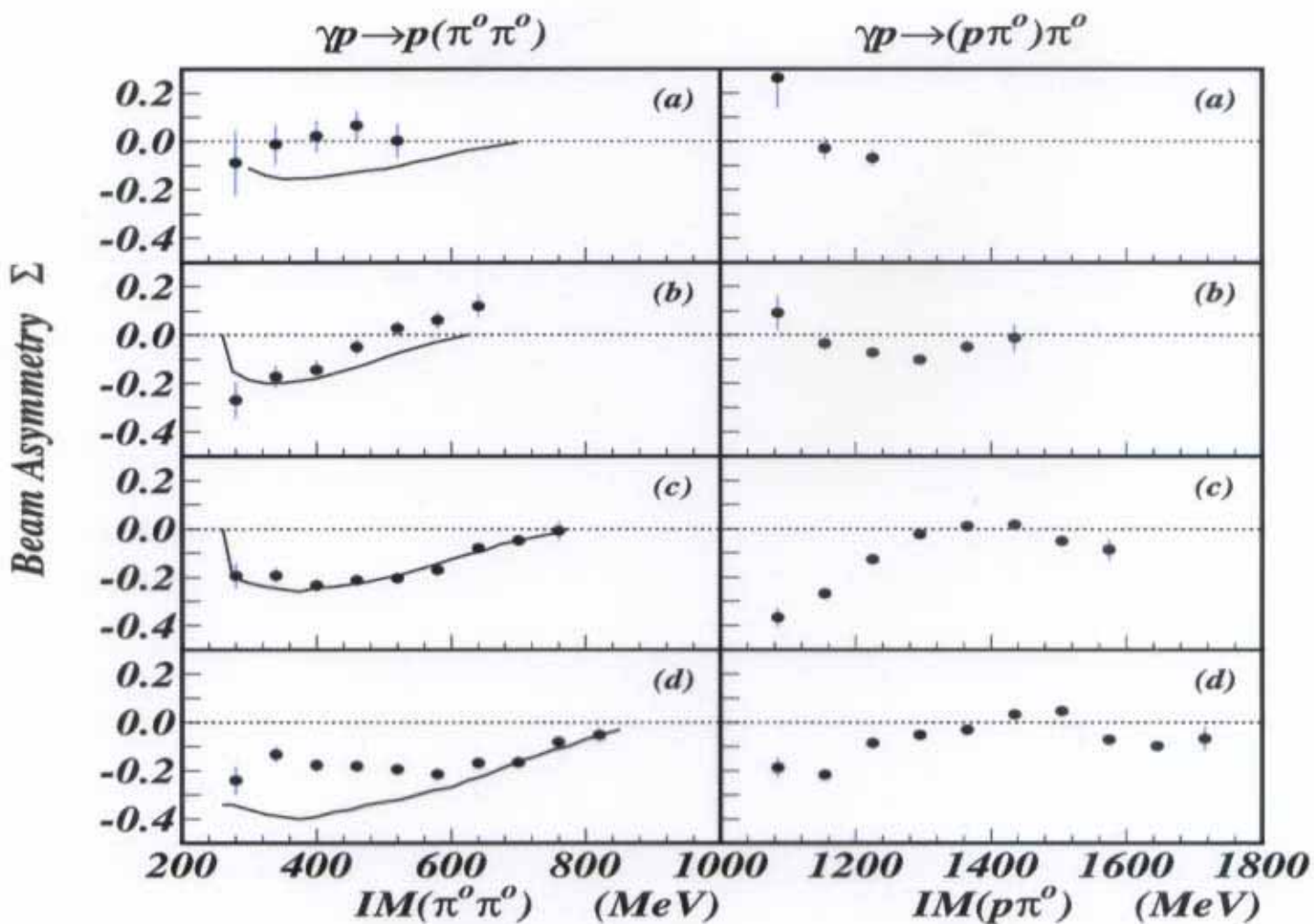




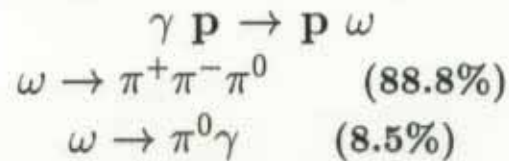
# Beam asymmetry $\Sigma$ of $\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^0 \pi^0$

( Comparison with Laget model )

- (a)  $E_\gamma = 650-780$  MeV
- (b)  $E_\gamma = 780-970$  MeV
- (c)  $E_\gamma = 970-1200$  MeV
- (d)  $E_\gamma = 1200-1450$  MeV



## PHOTOPRODUCTION OF $\omega$ MESONS



### CHARACTERISTICS

- Mass:  $782 \pm 8$  MeV
- Threshold in photoproduction: 1100 MeV
- Isospin=0  $\rightarrow$  excitation of  $I=1/2$  resonances
- Spin=1  $\rightarrow$  polarization, measurable with the angular distribution of its decay products.

### DOUBLE POLARIZATION: beam-recoil

Formalism for  $\gamma p \rightarrow p \omega$  when  $\omega \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$   
 by K. Schilling et al. NP B15(1970)397, B18(1970)332  
 for a linear polarization of the photon beam

$$W(\cos\theta, \phi, \Phi) = W^0(\cos\theta, \phi) - P_\gamma \cdot \cos(2\Phi) \cdot W^1(\cos\theta, \phi) - P_\gamma \cdot \sin(2\Phi) \cdot W^2(\cos\theta, \phi)$$

\*  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  are the angles of the unit vector of the normal to the decay plane in the rest frame of  $\omega$ .

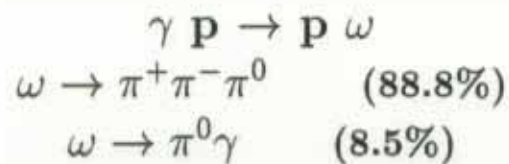
\*  $\Phi$  is the azimuthal angle between the production plane of  $\omega$  and the polarization  $P_\gamma$  of the beam.

\*  $W^0$ ,  $W^1$  and  $W^2$  depend on 9 spin-density matrix elements  $\rho_{ij}^\alpha$

### BEAM ASYMMETRY $\Sigma$ : integration on $\theta$ and $\phi$

$$W(\Phi) = K(1 + P_\gamma \underbrace{\frac{2\rho_{11}^1 + \rho_{00}^1}{2\rho_{11}^0 + \rho_{00}^0}}_{\Sigma} \cdot \cos(2\Phi))$$

## PHOTOPRODUCTION OF $\omega$ MESONS AT GRAAL



### 1) Advantages of the charged mode ( $\omega \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ ):

- Higher branching ratio (measured at SAPHIR and TJLAB)
- Formalism of Double Polarization written by Schilling
- At GRAAL: larger covering of the phase space and better control of the background.

### 2) Analysis

#### a) Charged:

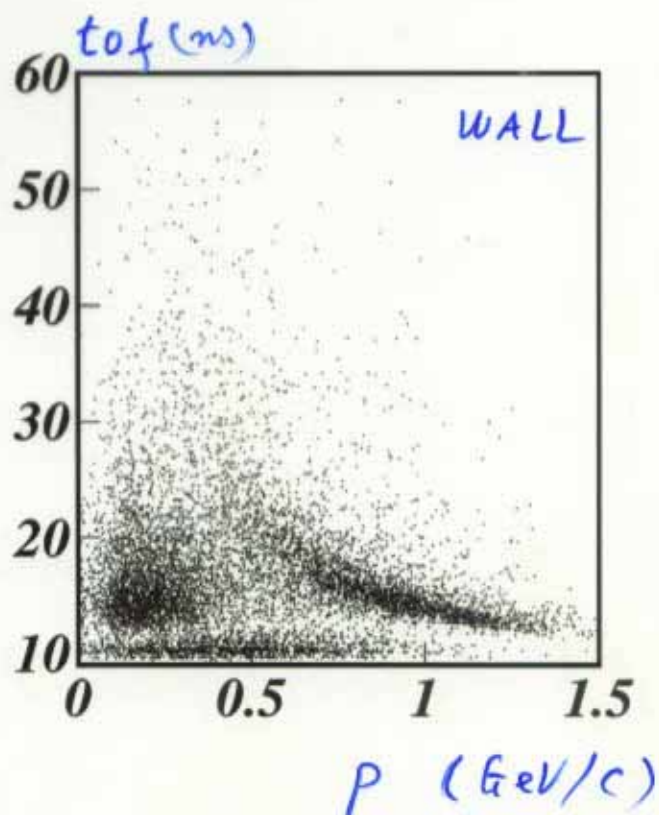
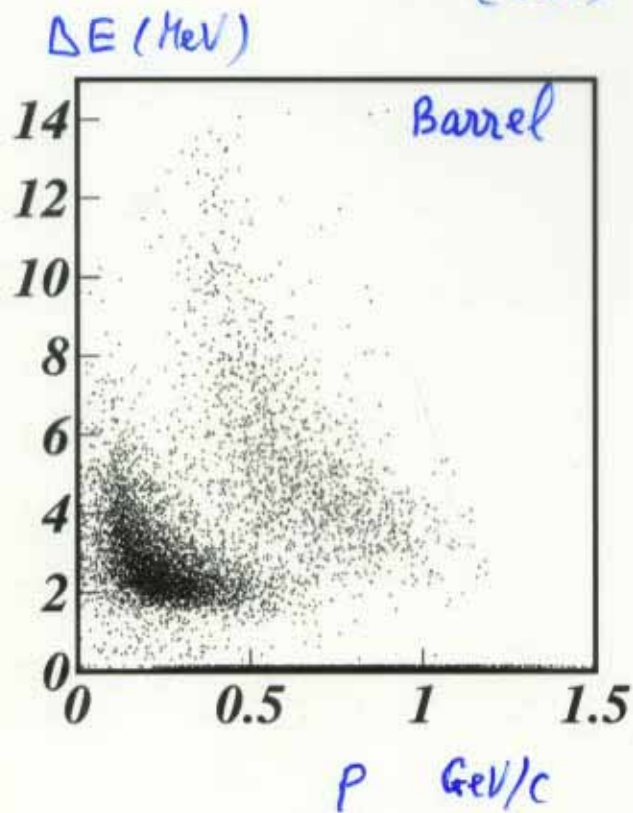
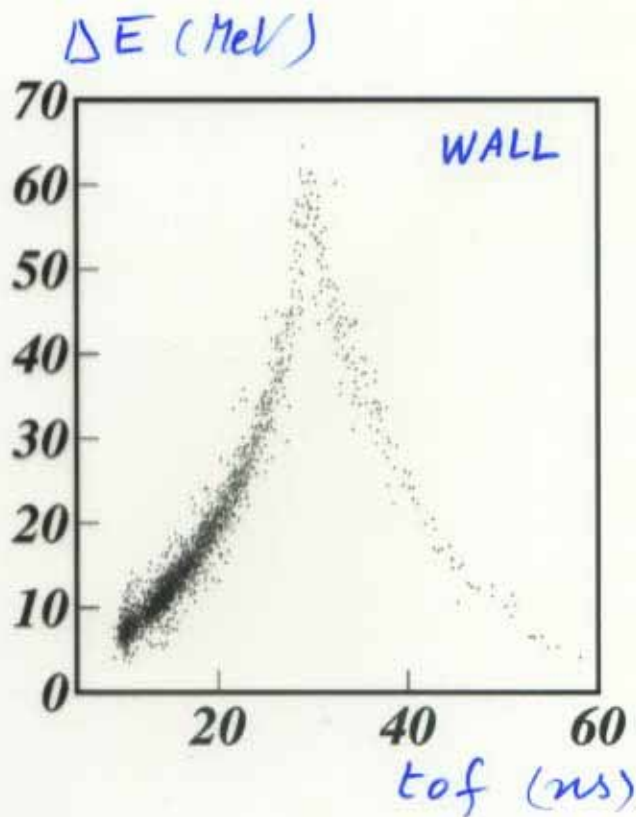
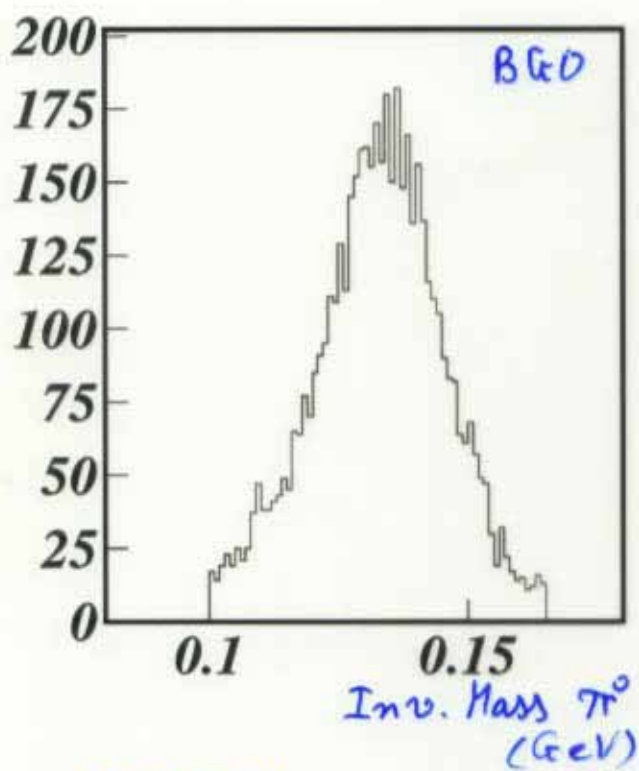
- $\pi^0$  reconstructed in the central calorimeter
- $\theta$  and  $\phi$  angles of  $p$ ,  $\pi^+$  and  $\pi^-$  measured
- conservation laws  $\rightarrow$  magnitudes of  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$  and  $p_3$
- identification of the  $p$  and charged pions.
- the background comes from  $\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$

#### b) Neutral:

- $\pi^0$  and  $\gamma$  measured in the central calorimeter
- the proton in the central or forward parts.
- The background comes from  $\gamma p \rightarrow p \pi^0 \pi^0$

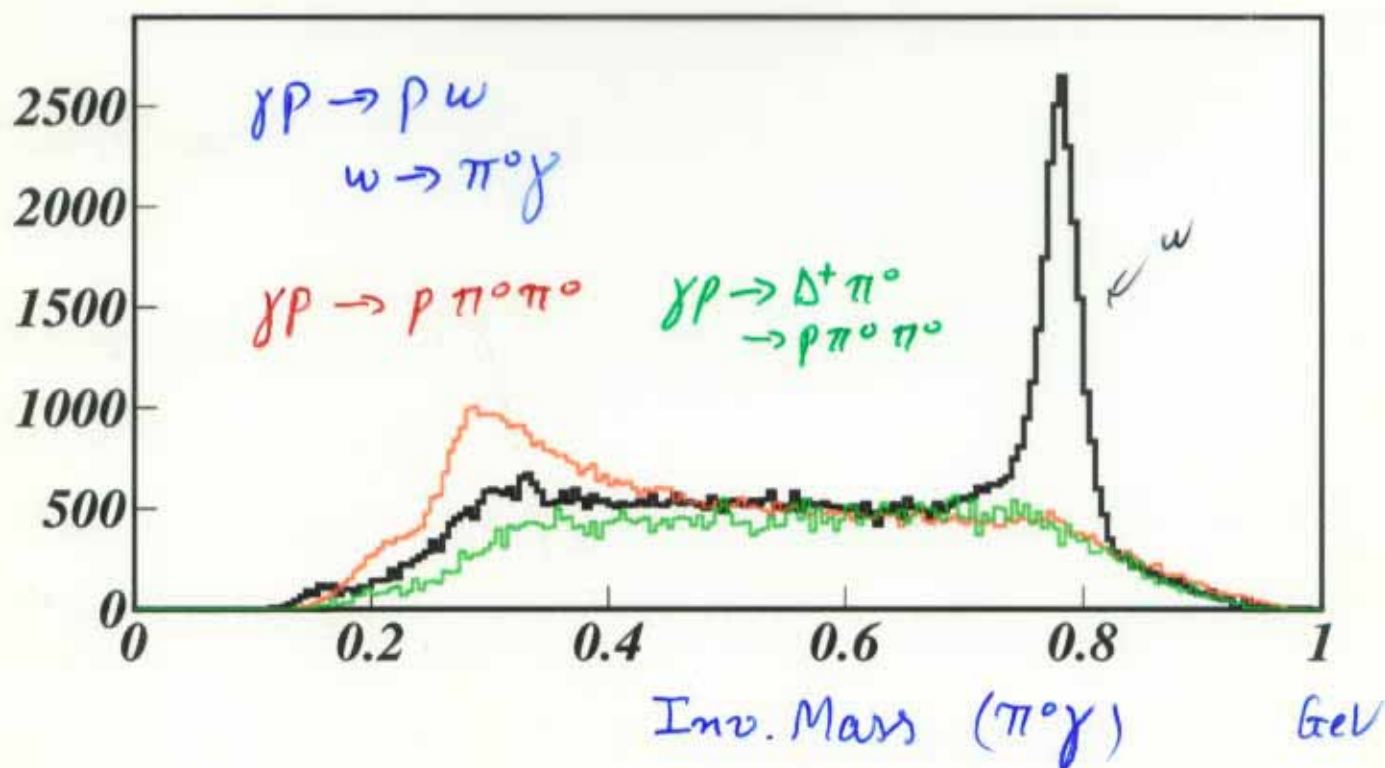
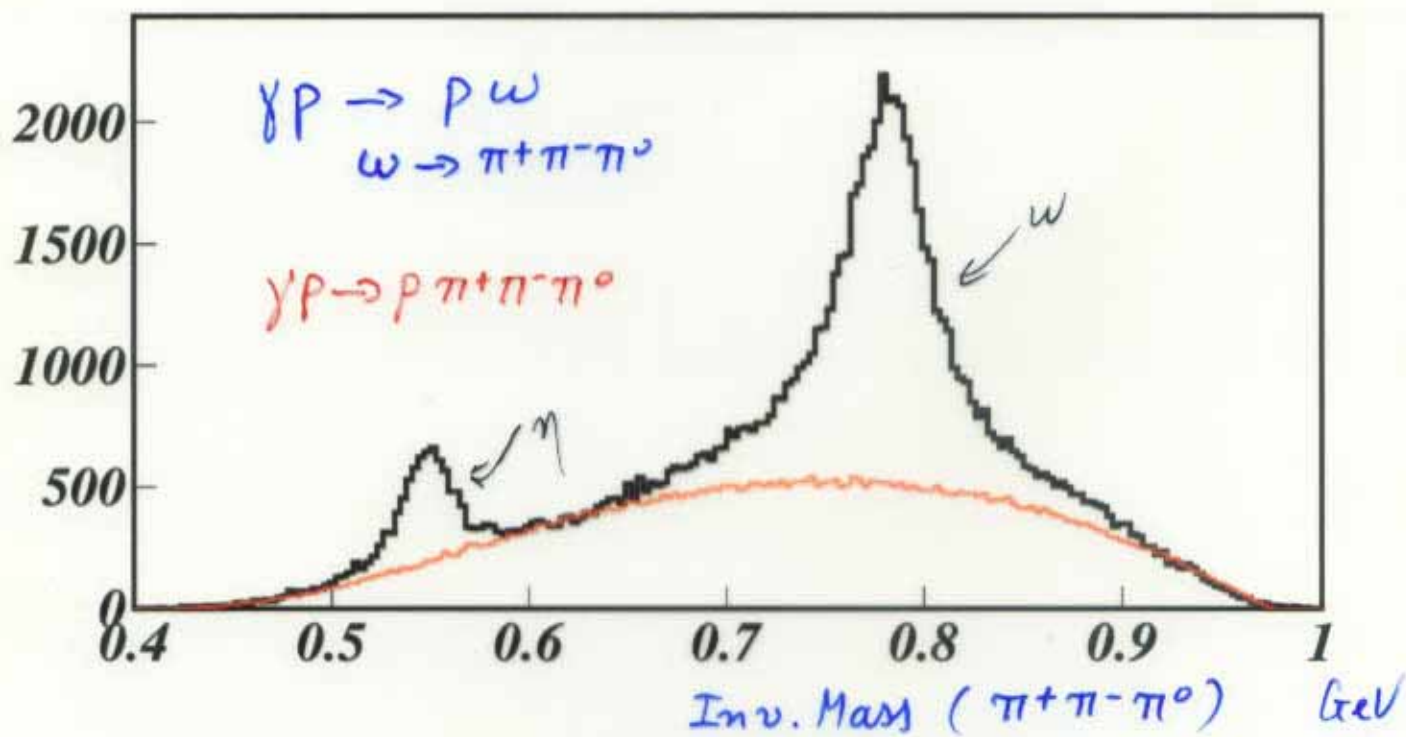


### Identification Spectra



## Invariant Mass Spectra

- in black : experimental data
- in colour : background simulated



## Spectral Decomposition

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma p &\rightarrow p\omega \\ \omega &\rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\end{aligned}$$

### 1) Decomposition of the Invariant Mass Spectra of $\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$

- (a)- Simulation of  $\gamma p \rightarrow p\omega \rightarrow p\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$
- (b)- Simulation of  $\gamma p \rightarrow p\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$  4-body process
- (c)- fit of the experimental spectrum with (a) + (b)  
→ the fraction of  $\gamma p \rightarrow p\omega$  events in the exp. spec.

### 2) Decomposition after binning

i) differential cross section  $d\sigma/dt$

11 bins in  $E_\gamma$  and 30 bins in  $t = -(K_\gamma - K_\omega)^2$   
→ 330 spectra to be decomposed

ii) beam asymmetry  $\Sigma$

4 bins in  $E_\gamma$ , 7 bins in  $\theta_{CM}(\omega)$  and 12 bins in  $\phi(\omega)$   
→ 336 spectra

### 3) Efficiency correction

The fraction of  $\gamma p \rightarrow p\omega$  events extracted from each spectrum is then corrected from efficiency before use.

# Quark Model Approach of Q. Zhao

$$\gamma p \rightarrow p \omega$$

## NUCLEON RESONANCES:

- Nucleon: 3 constituent quarks and  $SU(6) \otimes O(3)$  symmetry.
- Resonances associated to excited states of this model
- Resonances used:  
S11(1535), D13(1520), P13(1720), F15(1680), P11(1440),  
P11(1710), P13(1900), F15(2000)

## REACTION MECHANISM:

- s- and u- channels: contribution of the resonances  
Effective Lagrangien for quark-meson interaction.

$$L_{eff} = -\bar{\psi} \gamma_{\mu} p^{\mu} \psi + \bar{\psi} \gamma_{\mu} e_q A^{\mu} \psi + \bar{\psi} (a \gamma_{\mu} + \frac{ib \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^{\nu}}{2m_q}) \Phi_m^{\mu} \psi$$

$$a=4, b=0.$$

- t- channel: diffractive phenomenon

Pomeron exchange, exchange of natural parity:  $\beta_0 = 0.00127$

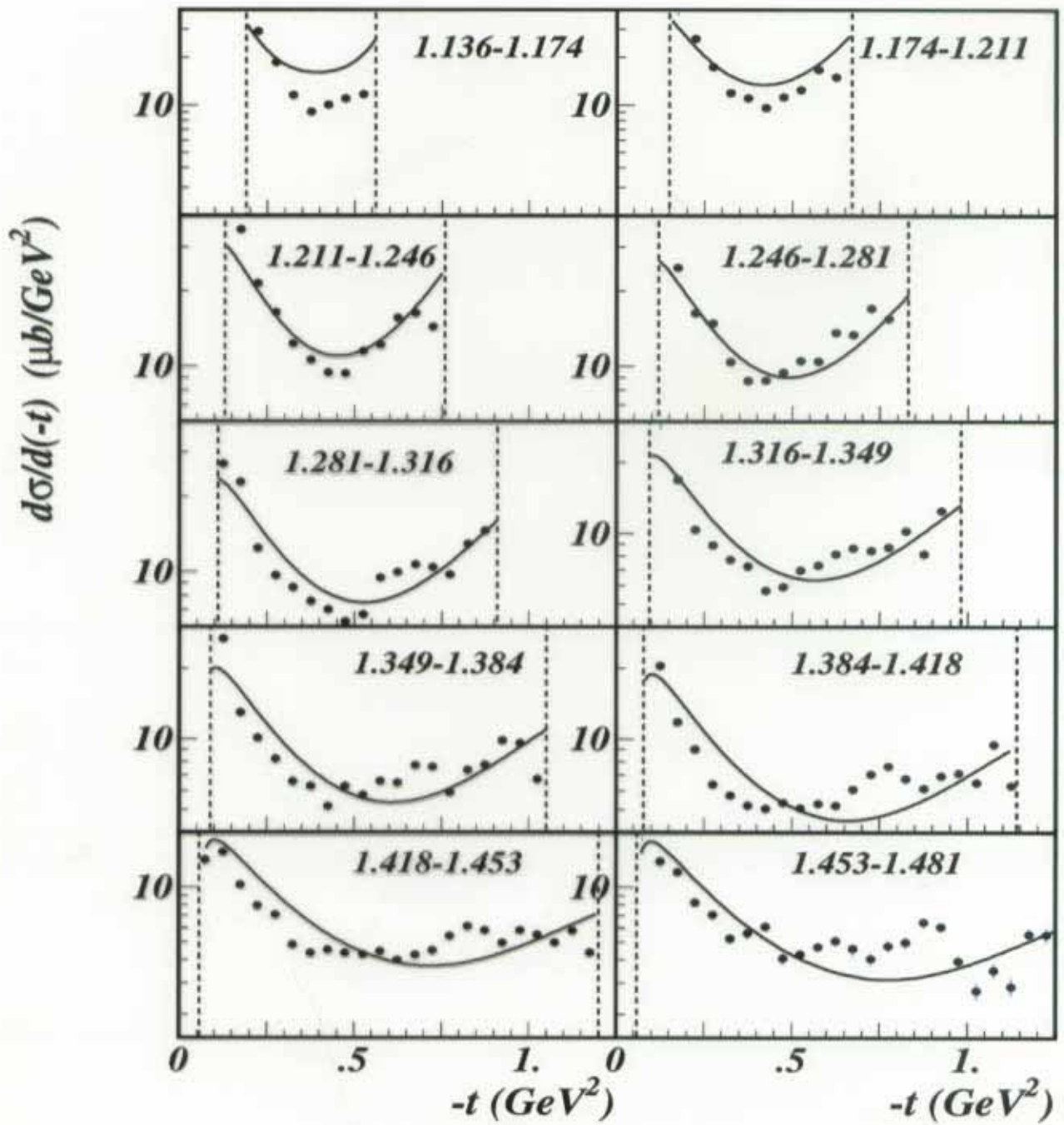
$\pi^0$  exchange, exchange of non natural parity:  $\alpha_{\pi} = 270$  MeV

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Q. Zhao et al. P.R.C 58 (1998)2393

Q. Zhao Nucl. Phys. A675 (2000) 217

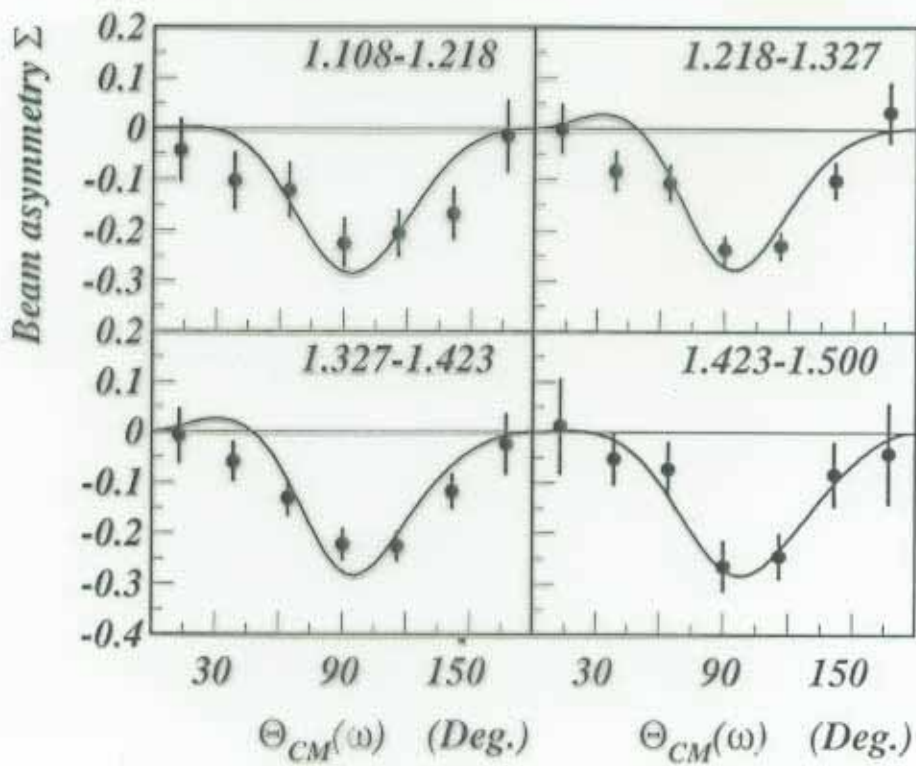
# Differential cross sections of $\gamma p \rightarrow p \omega$ ( $\omega \rightarrow p \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ )



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$\gamma p \rightarrow p w$



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## Summary

We analysed the  $2\pi^0$  and  $\omega$  photoproduction channels in GRAAL data.

- The  $2\pi^0$  channel shows an important excitation of resonances located at 1700 MeV
- The  $\omega$  channel shows:
  - a significant contribution from the resonances.
  - the model of Zhao infers the excitation of P13(1900) and F15(2000).

### Checks of analysis:

- $\gamma p \rightarrow p\pi^0\pi^0$  by  $\gamma p \rightarrow p\eta$  ( $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ).
- $\gamma p \rightarrow p\omega$  ( $\omega \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ ) by  $\gamma p \rightarrow p\pi^+\pi^-$  and  $\gamma p \rightarrow p\eta$  ( $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ )

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