Search for Hybrid Baryons and KY Electroproduction at CLAS12

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Outline

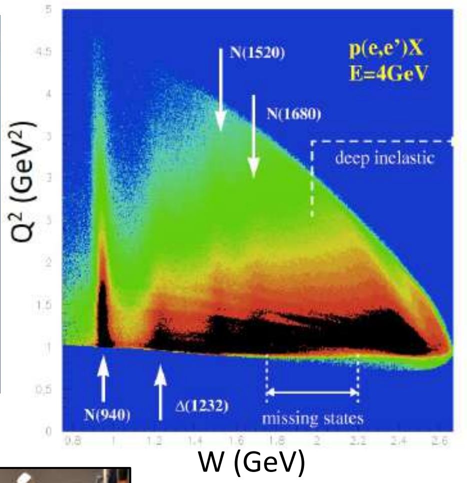
Physics Motivation: Study of the nucleon excitation spectrum to understand the dynamical properties of QCD in the non-perturbative regime.

What is the role of glue?

- Search for new Baryon States -> Hybrid States

How does the role of the active degrees of freedom in the nucleon spectrum evolve with distance scale?

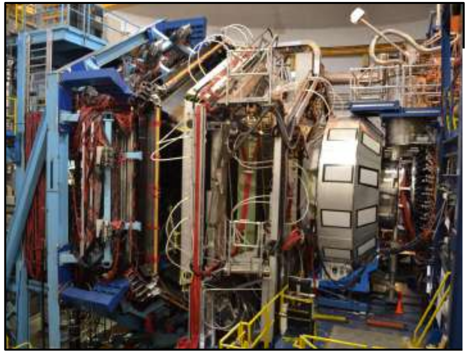
- Probe underlying degrees of freedom and their emergence from QCD via studies of the Q^2 evolution of electroproduction amplitudes



CLAS12 and Forward Tagger (FT) @ JLab: Experimental Setup description.

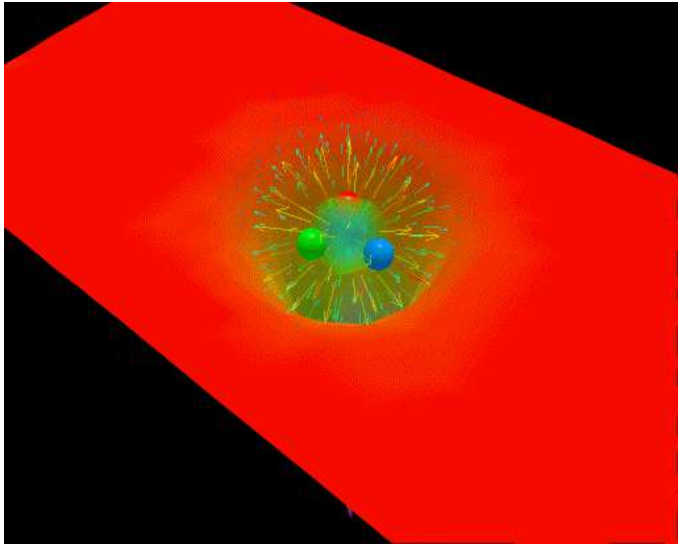
On-going Data Analysis:

- **Results from Physics Runs**: ep -> e'KY channel studied exploiting data from Fall 2018 Physics Runs in Hall B at Jefferson Lab
- **Beam-Recoil Hyperon Transferred Polarization Analysis**



Critical QCD Questions Addressed

- The light N* spectrum: what is the role of glue?



Derek B. Leinweber – University of Adelaide

"Nucleons are the stuff of which our world is made.

As such they must be ***at the center of any discussion of why the world*** *we actually experience* ***has the character it does."***

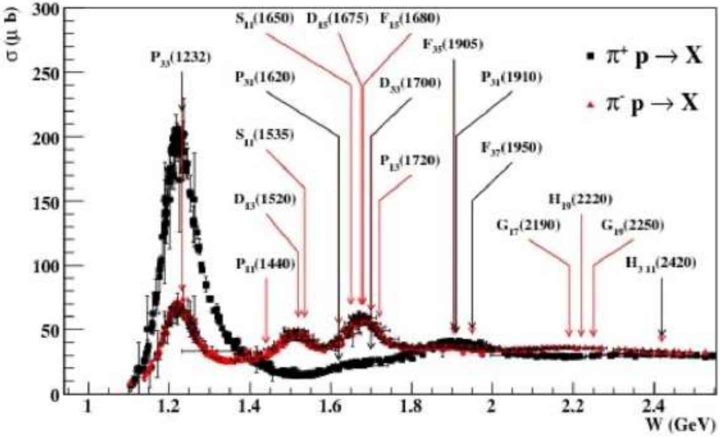
Nathan Isgur, NStar2000, Newport News, Virginia

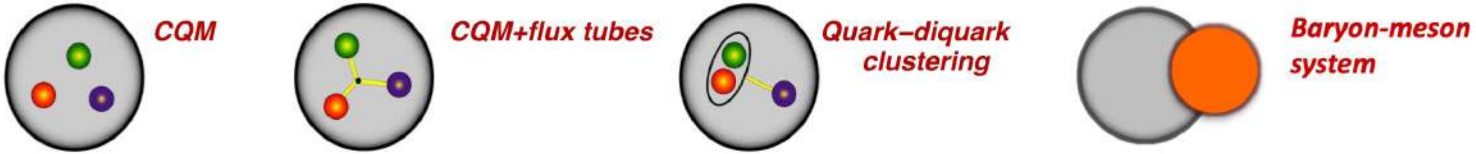
→ **Search for new baryon states**

Why N*? From the N* Spectrum to QCD

- Understanding the proton's ground state requires understanding its excitation spectrum.

- The N* spectrum reflects the effective degrees of freedom and the forces.

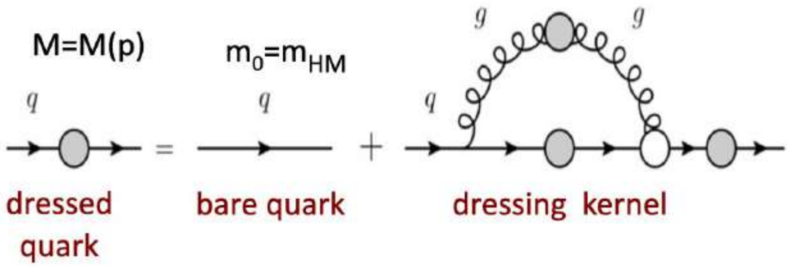




→ From the Constituent Quark model to QCD.

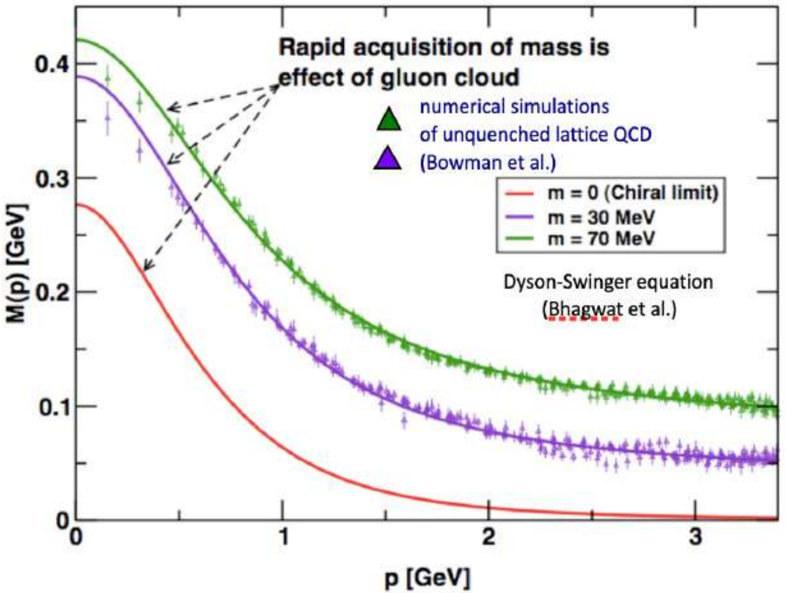
Mass Acquisition

Effective quark mass depends on its momentum



mass composition

<2%	Higgs mechanism
>98%	non-perturbative strong interaction



We need more information about the working of QCD in the non-perturbative regime

Exotic Hadrons

Standard Hadrons come in two varieties: Baryons & Mesons

Exotic Hadrons ⇨ Meson and baryon states whose properties cannot be described in terms of q anti-q or qqq degrees of freedom only

Hybrid mesons/baryons:
qqq or $q\bar{q}$ valence quarks plus a valence gluon

Multiquark states:
- Baryons with more than 3 valence quarks: **pentaquarks or di-baryons**
- Mesons with more than a quark-antiquark pair: **tetraquarks**

Glueballs:
Particles made up of gluonic degrees of freedom only

Molecules…

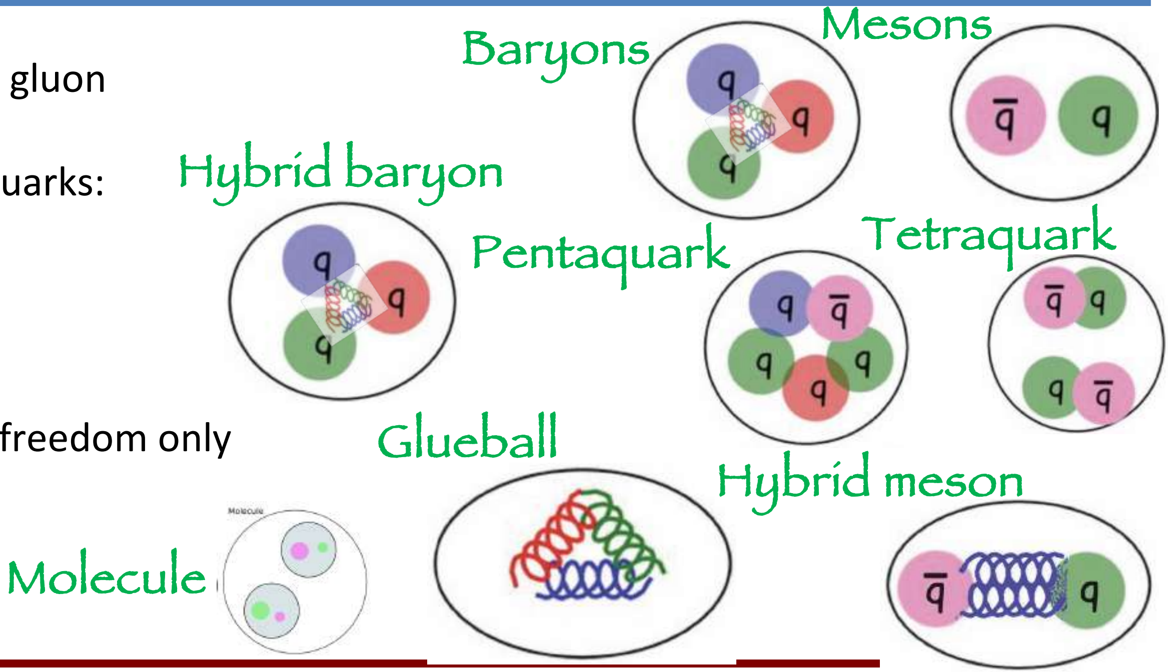


Photo- and Electro- production of mesons on nucleon targets

Meson photo- and electro-production reactions

for

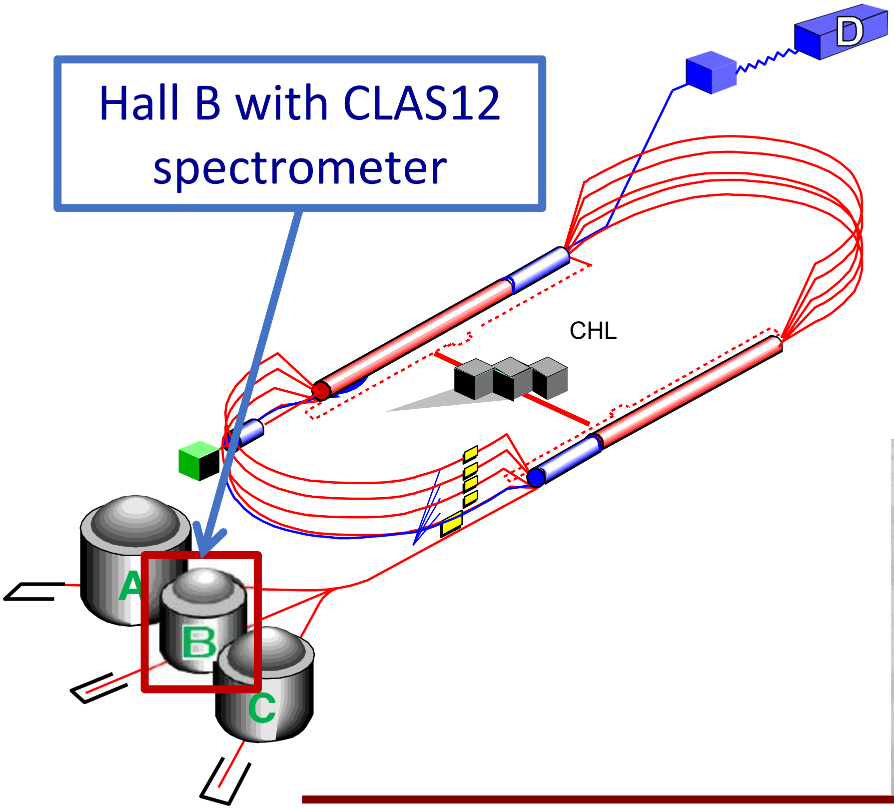
Light quark baryon spectroscopy

Two elements provided a crucial boost in the field:

- advent of large solid angle detectors
- polarized beam and targets → single and double polarization observables

Powerful tool to study the internal structure of the nucleon

CLAS N* Experimental Program



The N* program is one of the Hall B fundamental

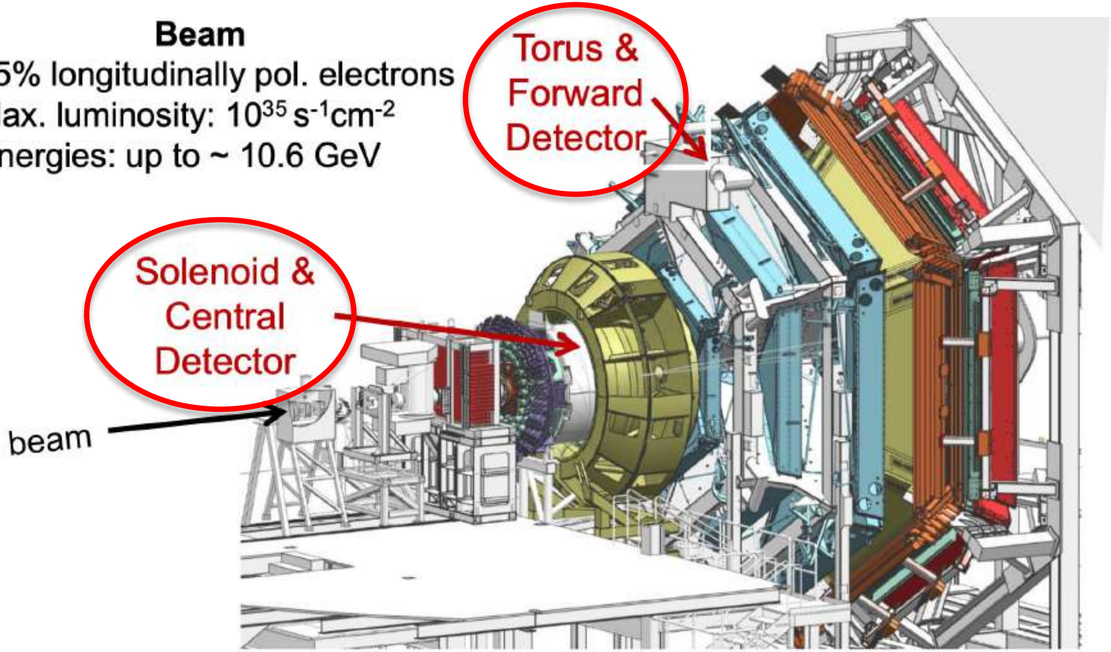
- CLAS & CLAS12 – optimized to study exclusive reaction channels over a broad kinematic range:

pN, ωN, φN, ηN, η'N, $\pi\pi$N, KY, K*Y, KY*

CLAS12

Beam

- 85% longitudinally pol. electrons
- Max. luminosity: $10^{35}\ s^{-1}cm^{-2}$
- Energies: up to ~ 10.6 GeV

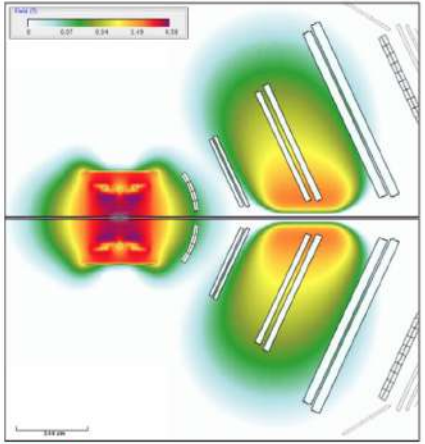


[V.D. Burkert et al., Nucl. Inst. and Meth. A 959, 163419 (2020)]

Targets (org. by Run Groups)

- Proton (RG-A/K)
- Deuteron (RG-B)
- Nuclei (RG-M/D/E)
- Long. pol. NH_3/ND_3 (RG-C)

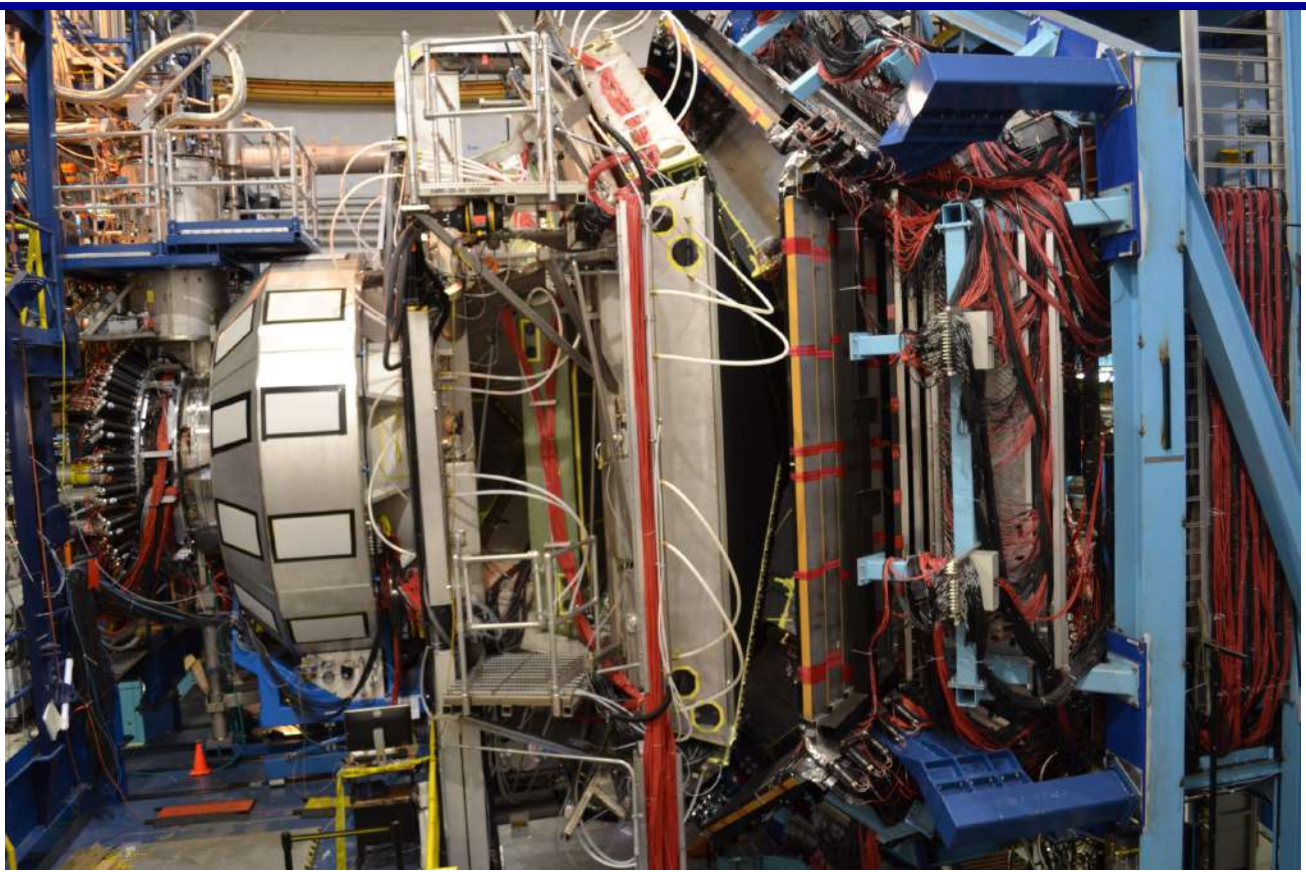
Magnetic Field



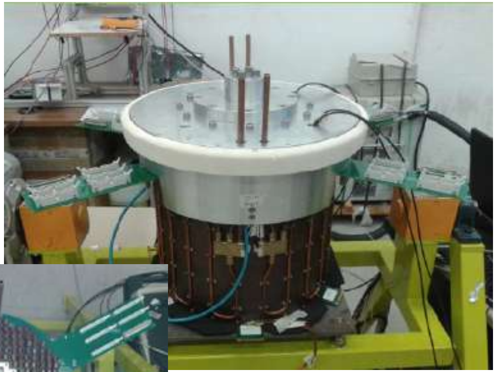
Ideal instrument to study exclusive meson electroproduction in the nucleon resonance region

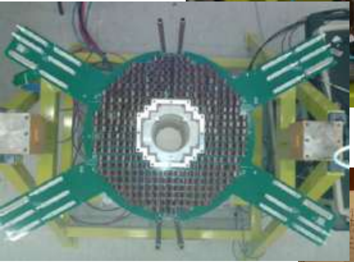
CLAS12 Spectrometer

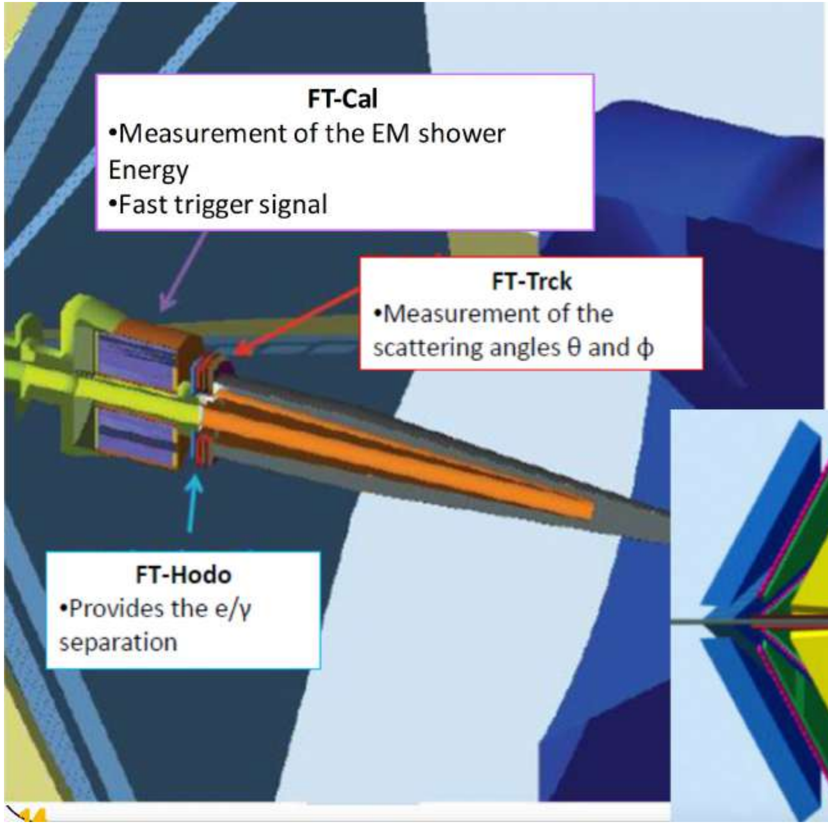
beam

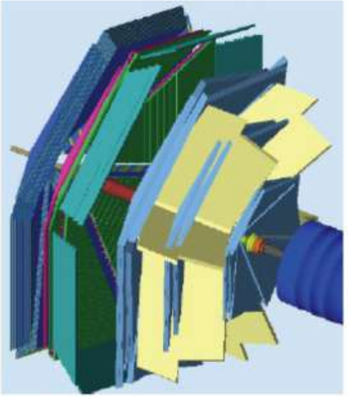


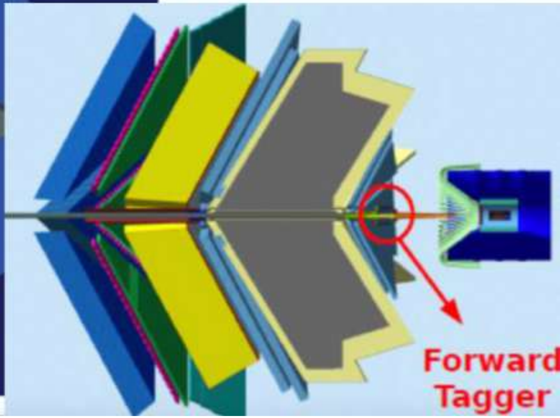
Experimental Setup: Forward Tagger











Electron Beam with CLAS12

Run Group Proposal (RG K) "Color Confinement and Strong QCD":

Search for Hybrid Baryons (qqqg)
KY Electroproduction for the N* study

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RUN CONDITIONS	
Torus Current	100% (3375 A) - negative out-bending
Solenoid	-100 %
FT	**ON @ 7.5 GeV -> OFF @ 6.5 GeV and 8.5 GeV**
Beam/Target	Polarized electrons, un-polarized LH_2 target
Luminosity	• ~ 5 10^{34} $cm^{-2}s^{-1}$ @ 7.5 GeV ~ 0.87 10^{34} $cm^{-2}s^{-1}$ @ 6.5 GeV 0.87 10^{35} $cm^{-2}s^{-1}$ @ 6.4 GeV 10^{35} $cm^{-2}s^{-1}$@8.5 GeV **FULL LUMINOSITY**

Fall 2018: EVENTS 15.6 G

Spring 2024: EVENTS 60 G (Statistics increased by a factor 4)

50% of the total

Hybrid Hadrons

Hybrid hadrons with dominant gluonic contributions are predicted to exist by QCD.

Experimentally:

- **Hybrid mesons** $|q\bar{q}g>$ states may have exotic quantum numbers J^{PC} not available to pure $|q\bar{q}>$ states
  GlueX, MesonEx, COMPASS, PANDA ….

- **Hybrid baryons** |qqqg> have the same quantum numbers J^P as |qqq> electroproduction with CLAS12 (Hall B).

Theoretical predictions:

✧ MIT bag model - T. Barnes and F. Close, Phys. Lett. 123B, 89 (1983).

✧ QCD Sum Rule - L. Kisslinger and Z. Li, Phys. Rev. D 51, R5986 (1995).

✧ Flux Tube model - S. Capstick and P. R. Page, Phys. Rev. C 66, 065204 (2002).

✧ LQCD - J.J. Dudek and R.G. Edwards, PRD85, 054016 (2012).

Hybrid Baryons in LQCD

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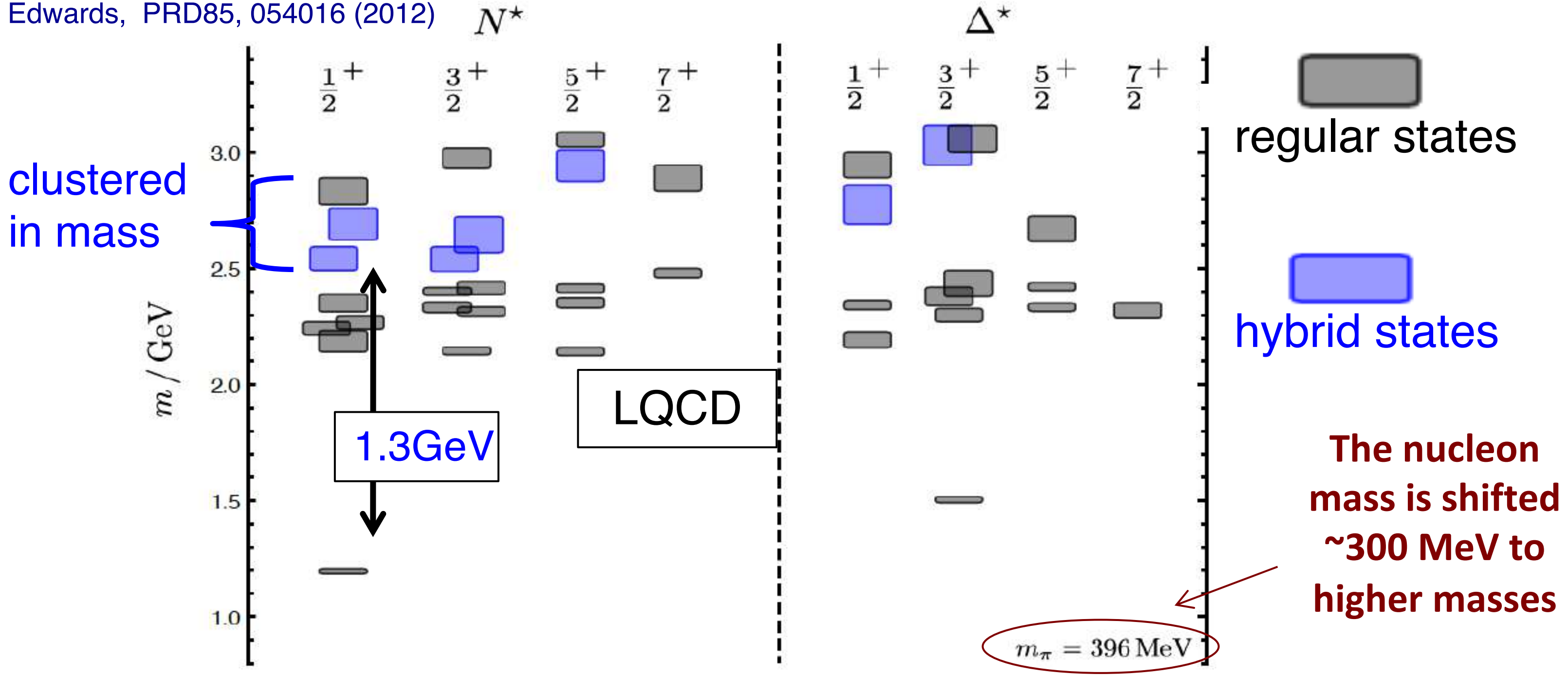


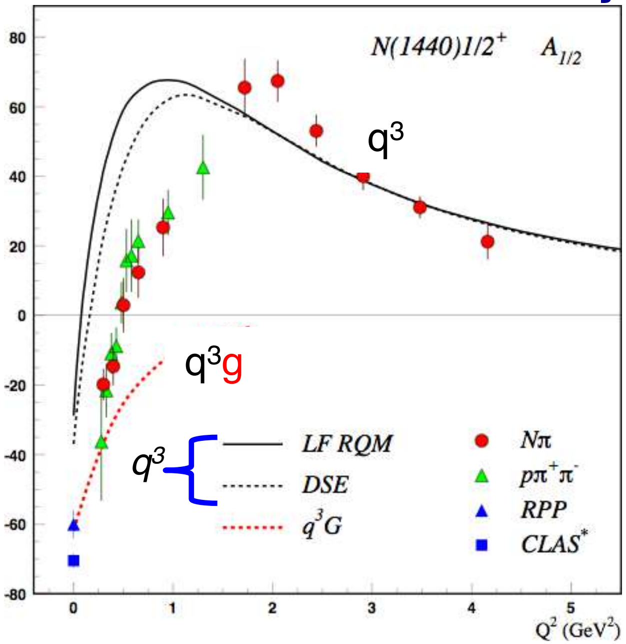
Hybrid states have same J^P values as qqq baryons. How to identify them?

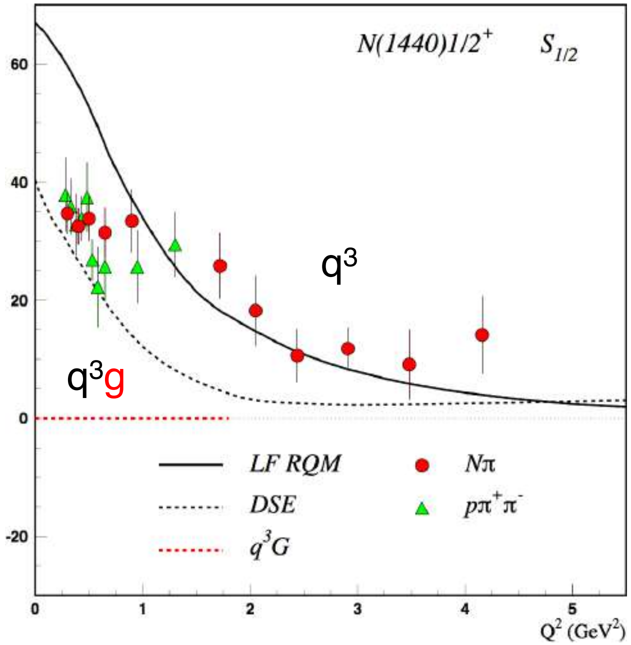
- Overpopulation of N $1/2^+$ and N $3/2^+$ states compared to QM projections.
- **$A_{1/2}$ ($A_{3/2}$) and $S_{1/2}$ show different Q^2 evolution.**

Separating q^3g from q^3 states?

CLAS results on electrocouplings clarified nature of the Roper.

Will CLAS12 data be able to identify gluonic contributions ?





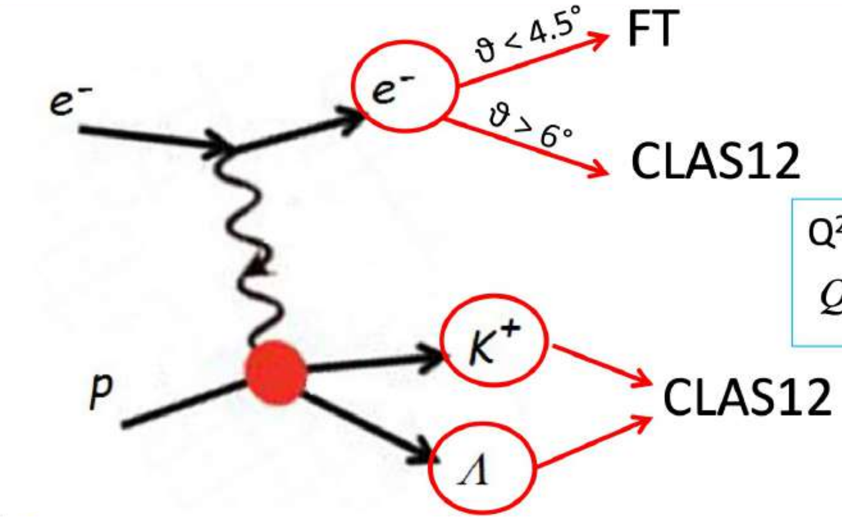
For hybrid "Roper", $A_{1/2}(Q^2)$ drops off faster with Q^2 and $S_{1/2}(Q^2) \sim 0$.

Hybrid Baryons

Data from KY are critical to provide the extraction of the electrocoupling amplitudes:

$$e\,p \rightarrow e'\,K^+\,\Lambda\,,\ \Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$$

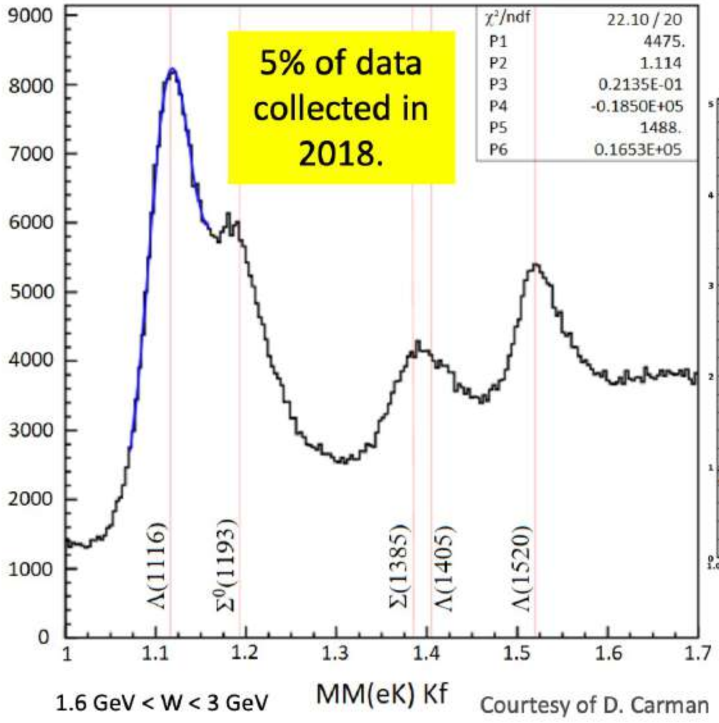
FT allows to probe the **crucial Q^2 range** where hybrid baryons may be identified due to their fast dropping $A_{1/2}(Q^2)$ amplitude and the suppression of the scalar $S_{1/2}\,(Q^2)$ amplitude.

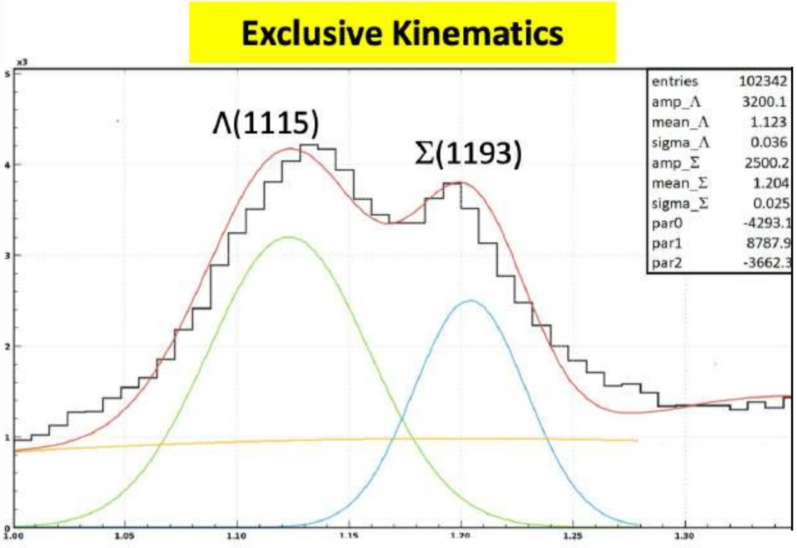


Q^2 range of interest: 0.05 - 2 GeV^2

$$Q^2 = 4E_{Beam}E_{e'}\sin^2\frac{\vartheta}{2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vartheta < 5°$$

Preliminary Results: electron in the FD(CLAS)/FT





Preliminary results obtained with data collected in 2018

p(e,e'K⁺)X

E_{beam} = 7.546 GeV

Beam-Recoil Transferred Polarization in K⁺Y Electroproduction in the Nucleon Resonance Region with CLAS12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Beam-recoil transferred polarization in K^+Y electroproduction in the nucleon resonance region with CLAS12

(CLAS Collaboration)

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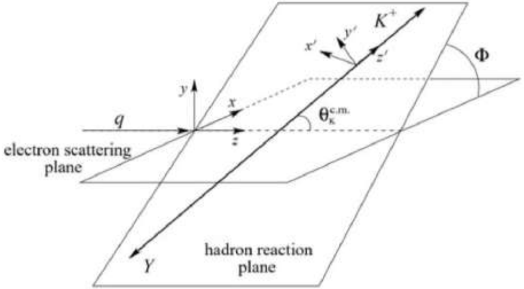
D.S. Carman, A. D'Angelo, L. Lanza, V. Mokeev (CLAS Collaboration)), "Beam-Recoil Transferred Polarization in K⁺Y Electroproduction in the Nucleon Resonance Region with CLAS12", Phys. Rev. C 105, 065201 (2022)



Analysis of CLAS12 RG-K data from Fall 2018

- 6.535 GeV and 7.546 GeV electrons on LH_2 target
- Extract beam-recoil transferred polarization from longitudinally polarized beam electron to final state hyperon vs. Q^2, W, $\cos\theta_K^{c.m.}$

$$A = \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-} = \nu_Y \alpha_\Lambda P_b \mathcal{P}'_Y \cos\theta_p^{RF}$$

$\mathcal{P}'$ = transferred polarization

(x',y',z')

$\mathcal{P}^0$ = recoil polarization

$$\mathcal{P}'_{x'} = K_I\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}R_{TT'}^{x'0}$$
$$\mathcal{P}'_{y'} = 0$$
$$\mathcal{P}'_{z'} = K_I\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}R_{TT'}^{z'0}$$

$\mathcal{P}^0_{x'}$	0
$\mathcal{P}^0_{y'}$	$K_I(R_T^{y'0} + \epsilon R_L^{y'0})$
$\mathcal{P}^0_{z'}$	0

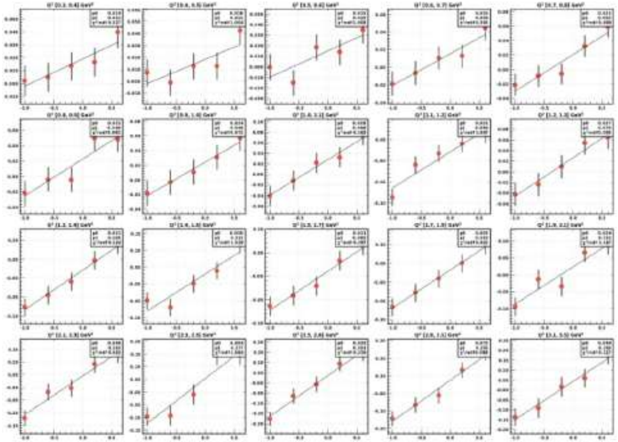
D. Carman's talk

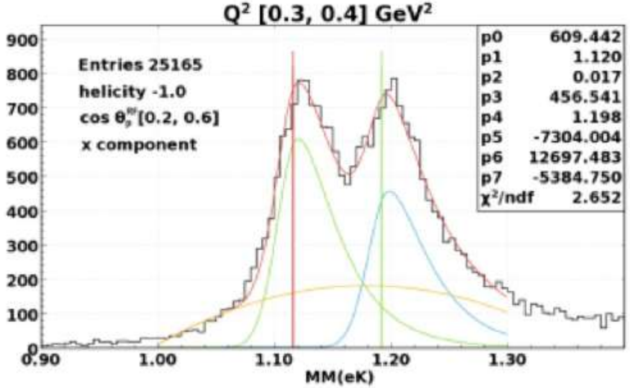
Beam-Recoil Transferred Polarization in K⁺Y Electroproduction in the Nucleon Resonance Region with CLAS12

The **independent analysis** consists of the direct exploitation of equation

$$A = \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-} = \nu_Y \alpha_\Lambda P_b \mathcal{P}'_Y \cos\theta_p^{RF}$$

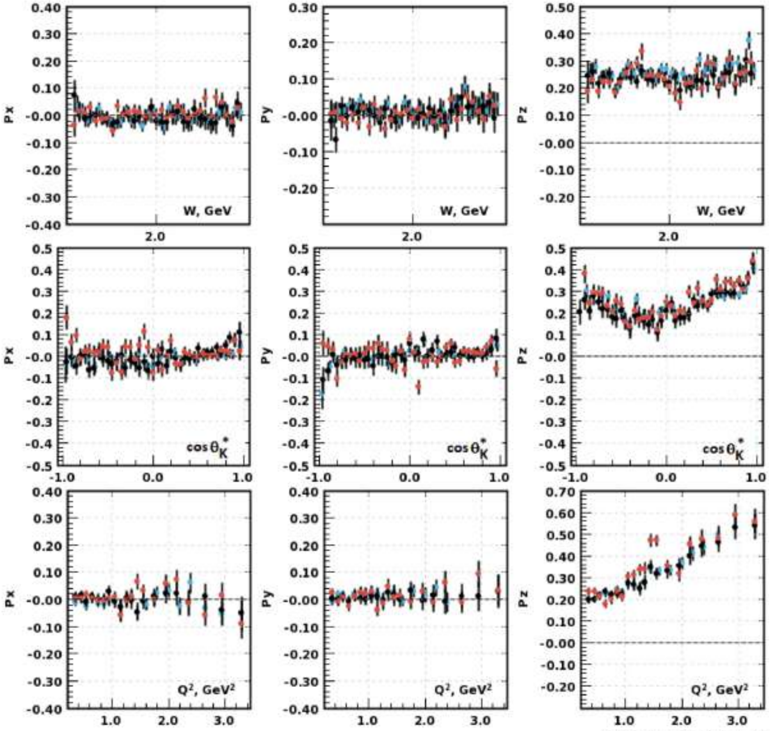
The events in each kinematic bin of Q², W and cos ϑ_K^* were divided into 5 cos ϑ_p^{RF} bins for each beam helicity…



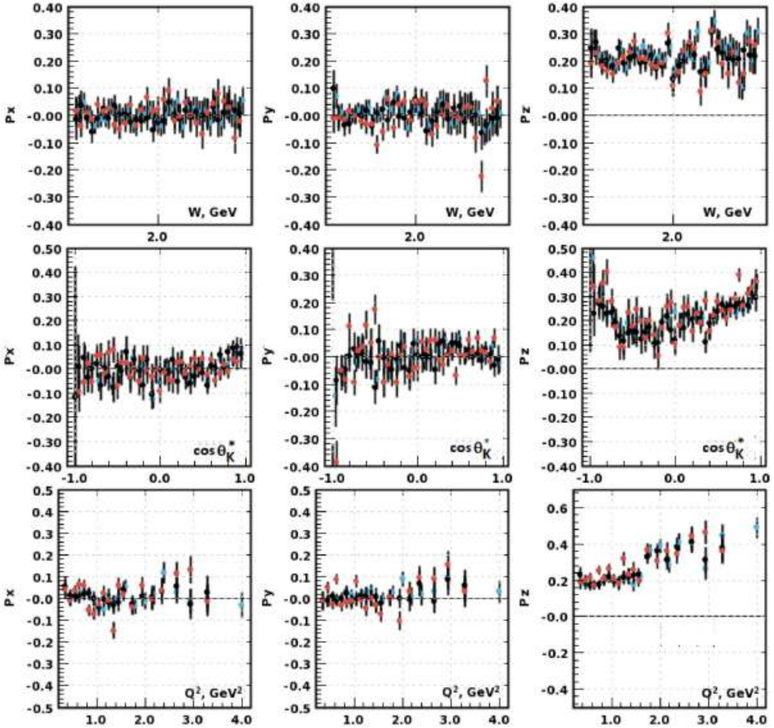


… and the number of Λ events was extracted using a fit of the MM(eK⁺) spectrum

Beam-Recoil Transferred Polarization in K^+Y Electroproduction in the Nucleon Resonance Region with CLAS12



$\mathcal{P}'$



Blue dots : Approach 1

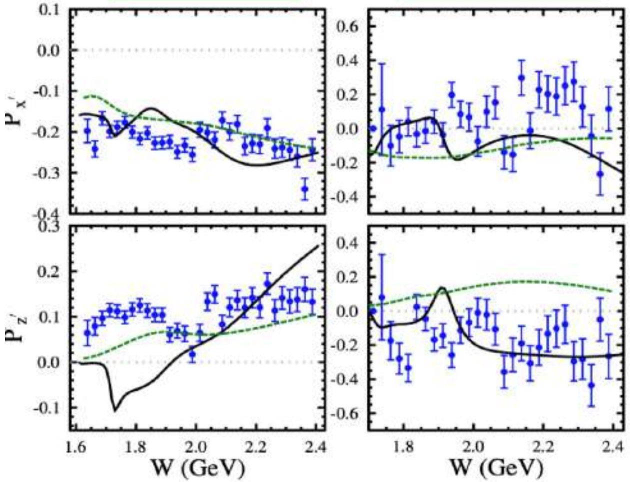
Red dots : Approach 2

Black dots : Approach 1 (different fitting procedure)

K⁺Y Transferred Polarization CLAS12 vs. CLAS

CLAS12 (RG-K)

ep → e'K⁺Λ   ep → e'K⁺Σ⁰



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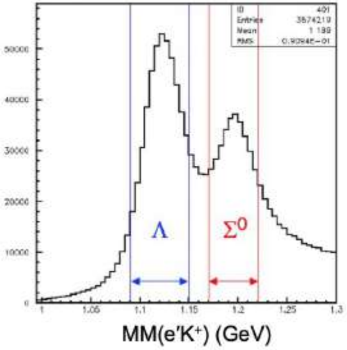
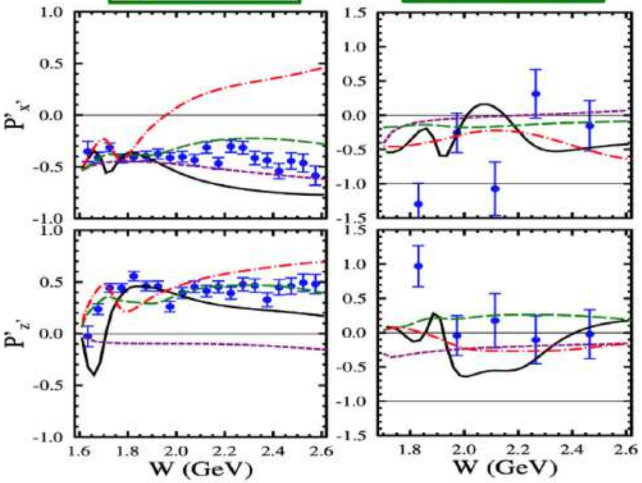
ep → e'K⁺Y



CLAS (e1-6)

ep → e'K⁺Λ   ep → e'K⁺Σ⁰



[D.S. Carman et al., Phys. Rev. C 79, 065205 (2009)]

KAON-MAID
RPR

World data set will get extended by orders of magnitude

Mart/Bennhold   RPR-2
RPR-1   Regge

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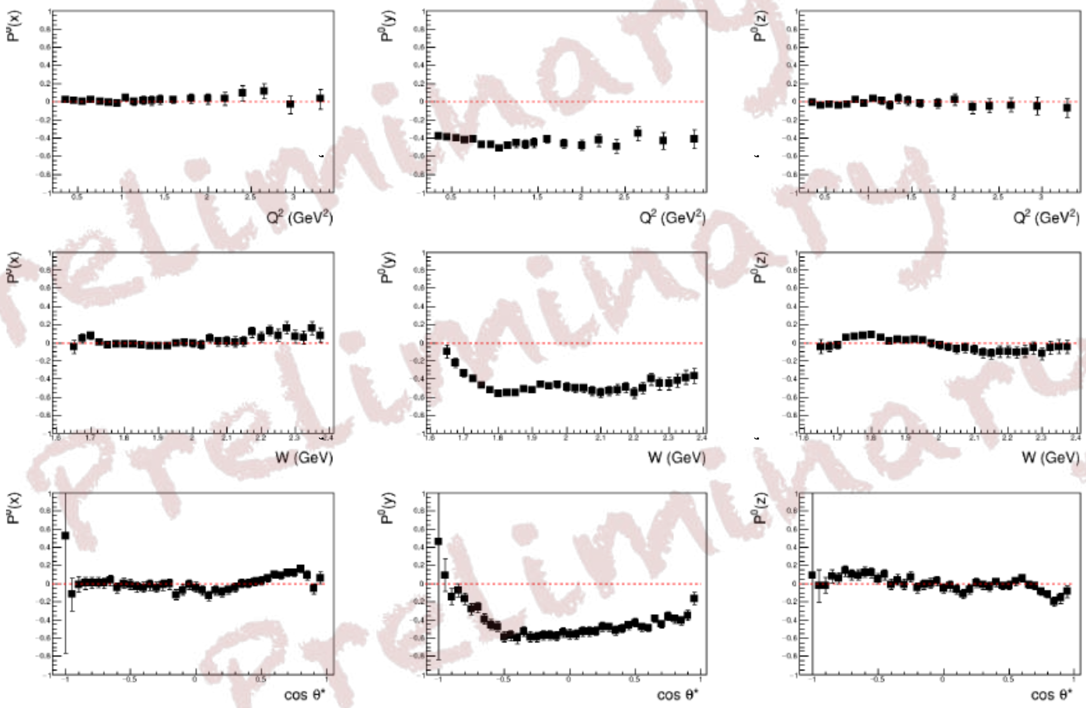
K^+Y Induced Polarization CLAS12

$$\frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-} = \frac{\nu_Y \alpha P_Y}{2}, \nu_Y = 1 \text{ or } \nu_Y = -0.256, \alpha = 0.732$$



x and z components still not fully compatible with 0

as expected from theory

Φ-integrated

(x′,y′,z′)	
$\mathcal{P}^0_{x'}$	0
$\mathcal{P}^0_{y'}$	$K_I(R_T^{y'0} + \epsilon R_L^{y'0})$
$\mathcal{P}^0_{z'}$	0

(x,y,z)	
$\mathcal{P}^0_{x}$	0
$\mathcal{P}^0_{y}$	$\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\epsilon(1+\epsilon)}K_I(R_{LT}^{x'0}\cos\theta_K^{c.m.} + R_{LT}^{y'0} + R_{LT}^{z'0}\sin\theta_K^{c.m.})$
$\mathcal{P}^0_{z}$	0

The analysis will be improved once the **Spring 2024** data will be available for analysis

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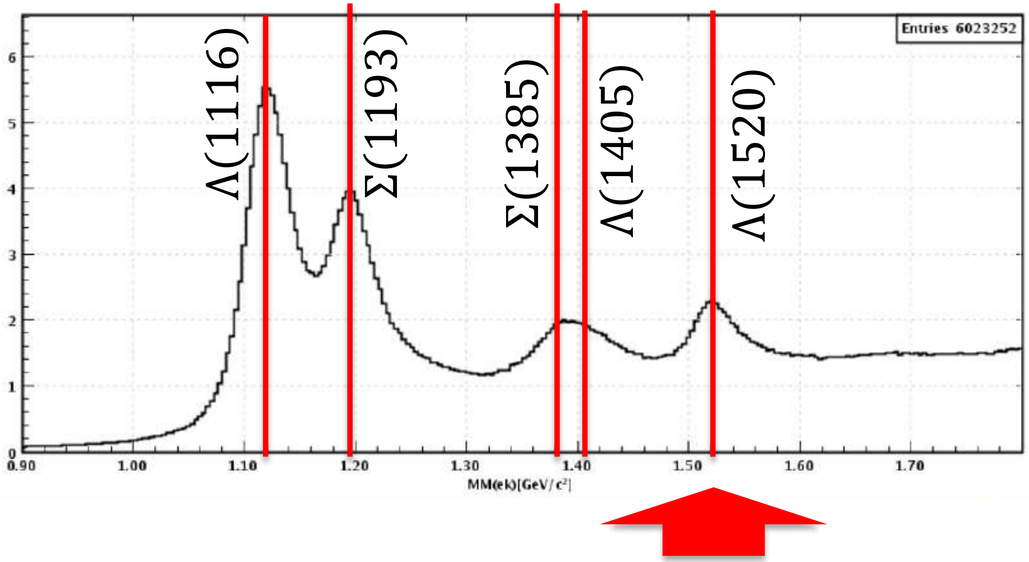
Λ(1520)

Other channels could be exploited as final states for possible new resonances..

$$ep \rightarrow eK^{+}\Lambda(1520) \rightarrow eK^{+}\ K^{-}p$$

The existence of several nonstrange N* resonances with significant (~5%) branching ratios into the decay channel $K^{+}\Lambda(1520)$ has been predicted

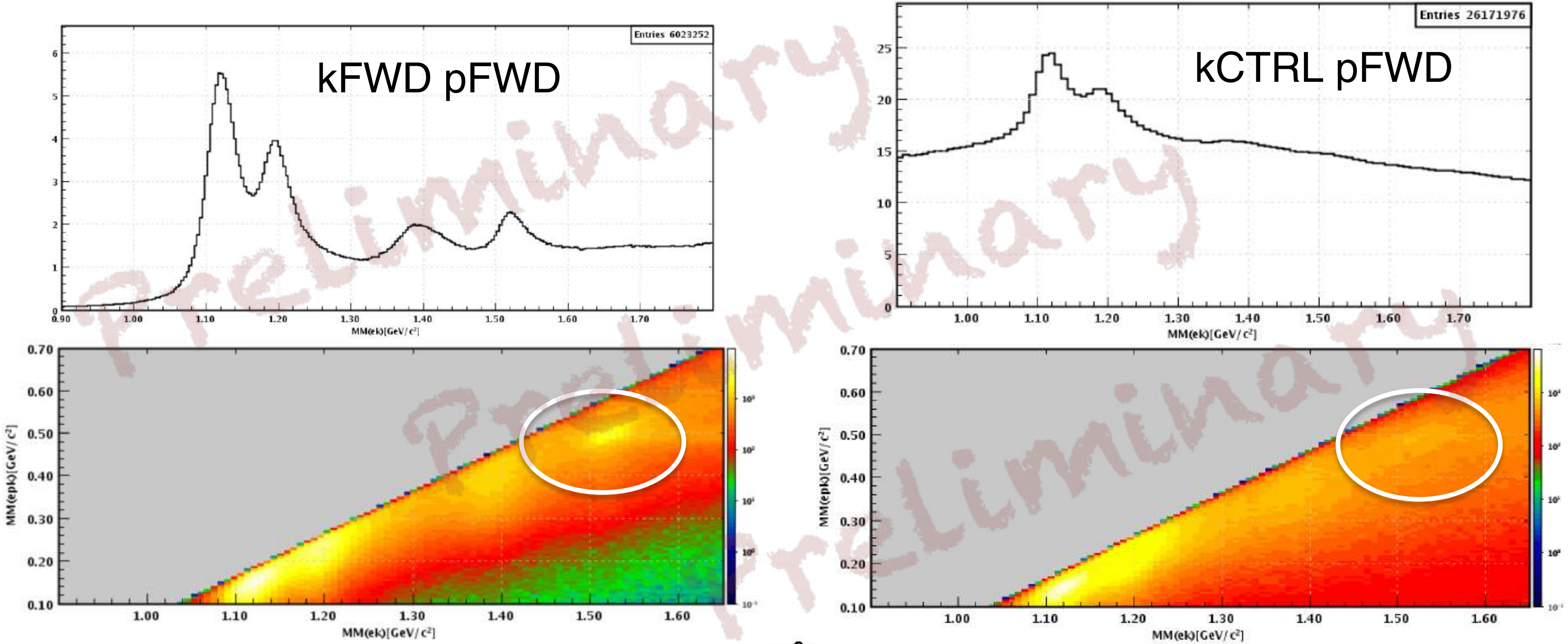
kFWD pFWD



$\Lambda(1520)$ arises as a separate structure

→ S. Barrow et al., CLAS Coll., Phys.Rev.C64:044601,2001
→ Simon Chapstick and W. Roberts, Phys. Rev. D **58** 074011

Λ(1520)

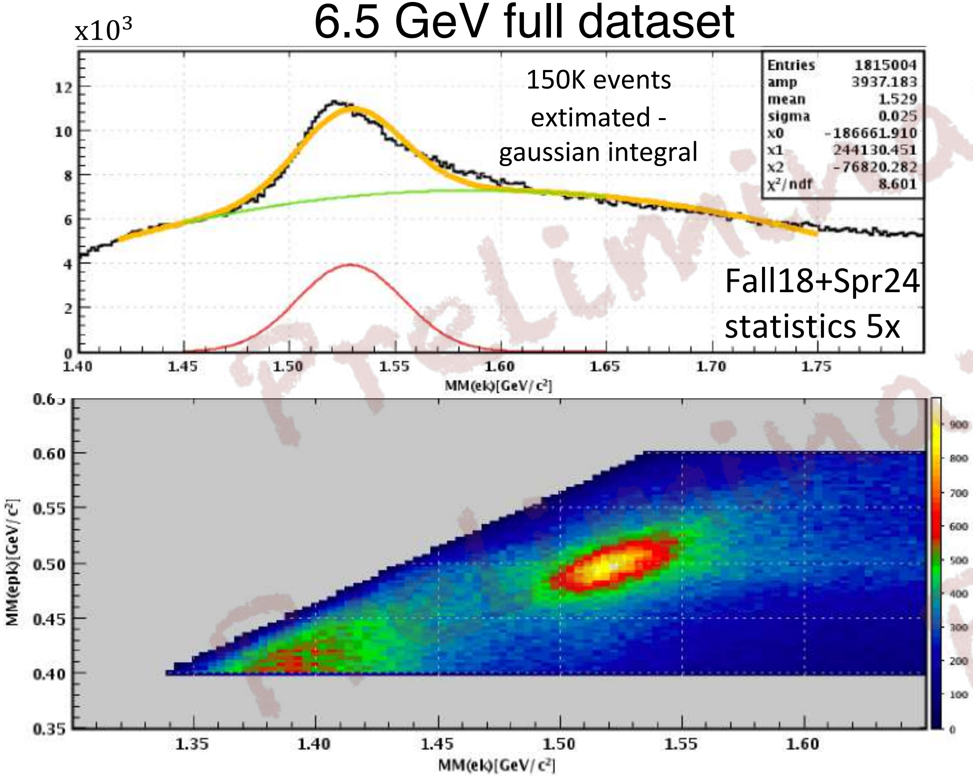


Five structures: $\Lambda(1116)$, $\Sigma^0(1193)$, $\Sigma(1385)$, $\Lambda(1405)$, $\Lambda(1520)$

$$ep \rightarrow eK^+\Lambda(1520) \rightarrow eK^+\,K^-p$$

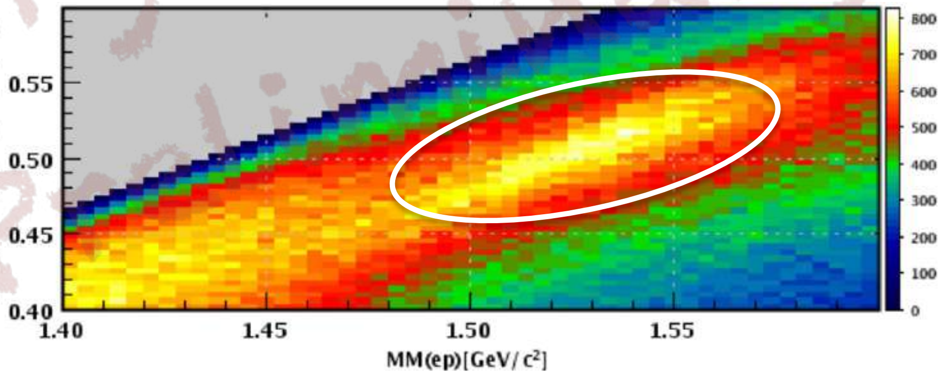
Λ(1520)

6.5 GeV full dataset



It is possible to isolate $\Lambda(1520)$ also in events with an electron detected in the FT

7.5 GeV dataset



$$ep \rightarrow eK^+\Lambda(1520) \rightarrow eK^+\, K^-p$$

Summary and Outlook

Summarizing:

- The study of N* states is one of the crucial topics of the CLAS and CLAS12 physics programs:
  - -CLAS has produced a huge amount of data up to $Q^2 < 5$ GeV^2
  - -CLAS12 was designed to extend these studies for $0.05 < Q^2 < 12$ GeV^2
- The first results of the CLAS12 N* program have been obtained with the analysis of KY polarization transfer data from the RGK Fall 2018 Run
  - -The RGK dataset is 5x larger than the available KY world data in the resonance region
  - -Only 10% of expected statistics has been analyzed.
- On going analyses:
  - -First paper on KY electroproduction has been published on PRC
  - -Other analyses based on the existing RG-K data are in progress
  - -More data have been collected in Spring 2024

And in the future…

- Future work with these data is expected to face up he most challenging problems of the Standard Model on the nature of hadron mass, confinement, and the emergence of N* states from quarks and gluons

Stay tuned for further updates…