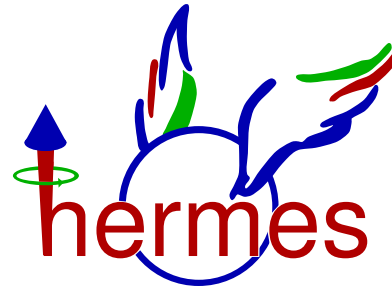


Electroproduction of Exclusive $\pi^+\pi^-$ at



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- ◆ Hard Exclusive Production of $\pi^+\pi^-$ and GPDs
- ◆ Legendre Moments
- ◆ Measurements vs $m_{\pi\pi}$ and x
- ◆ Conclusions and Outlook

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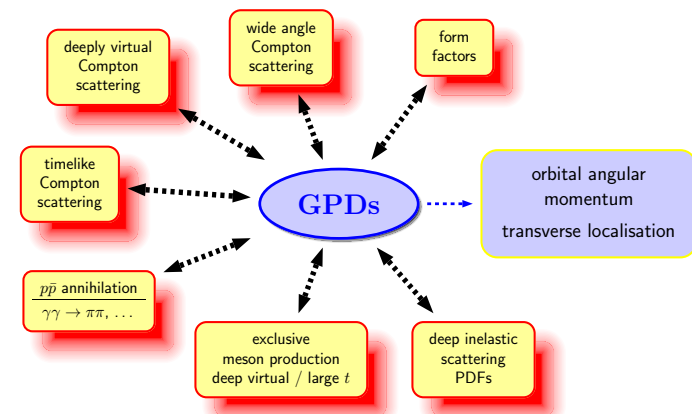
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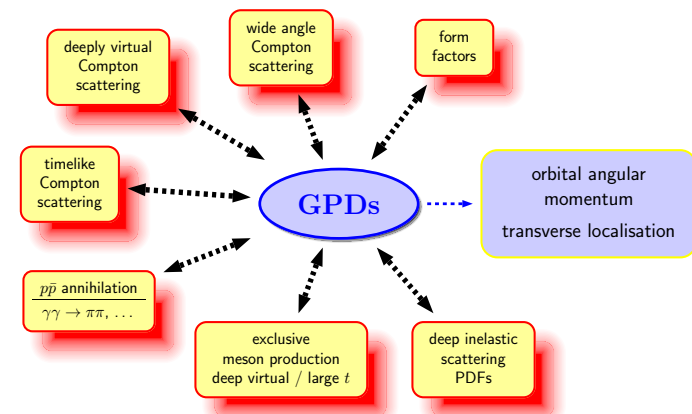
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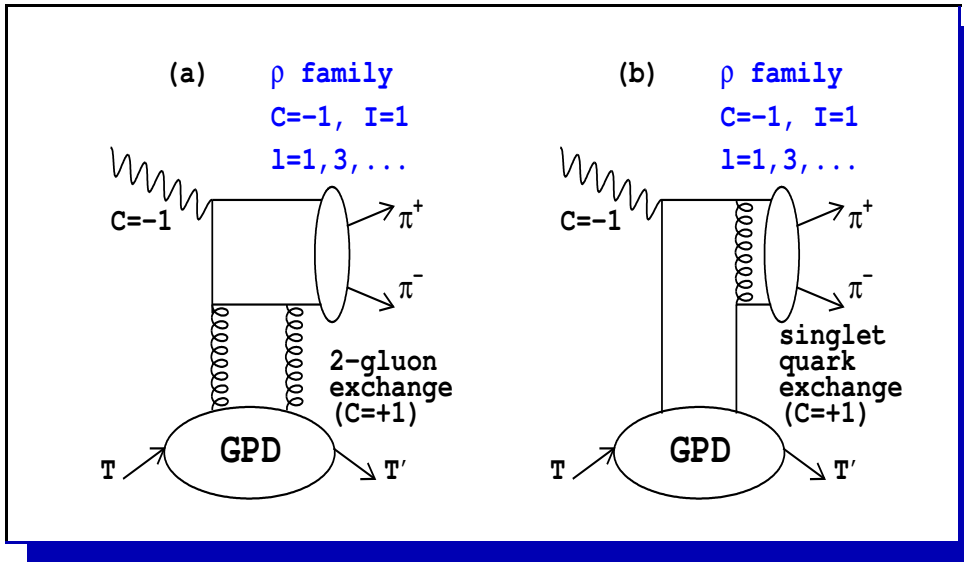
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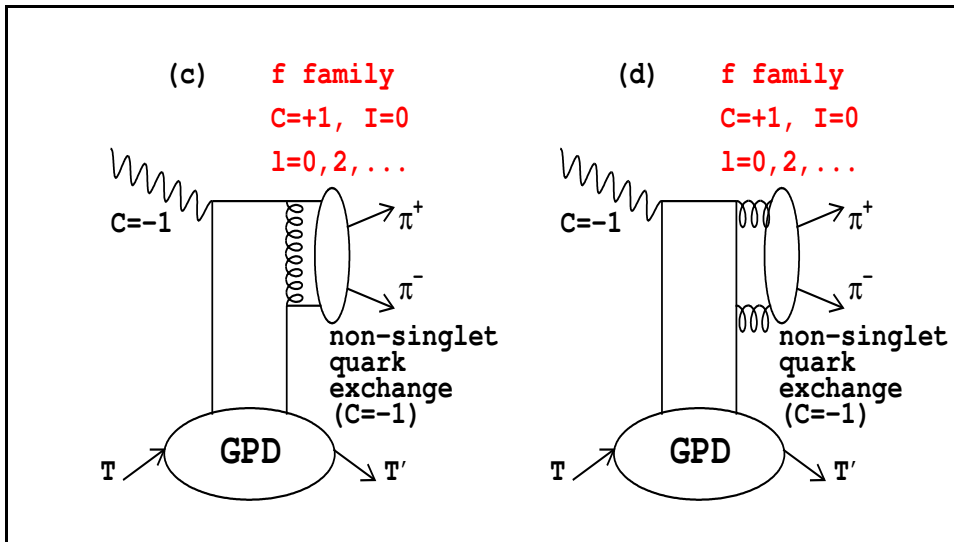
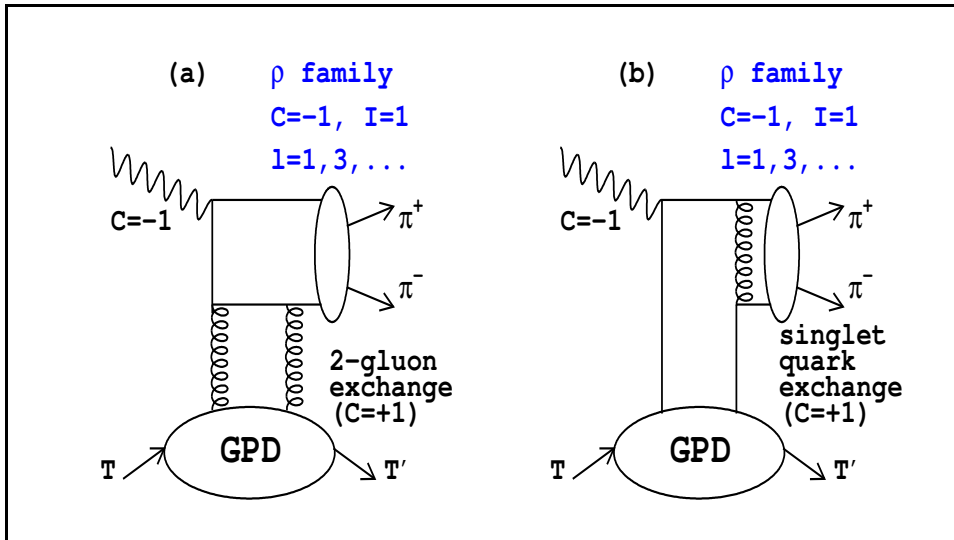
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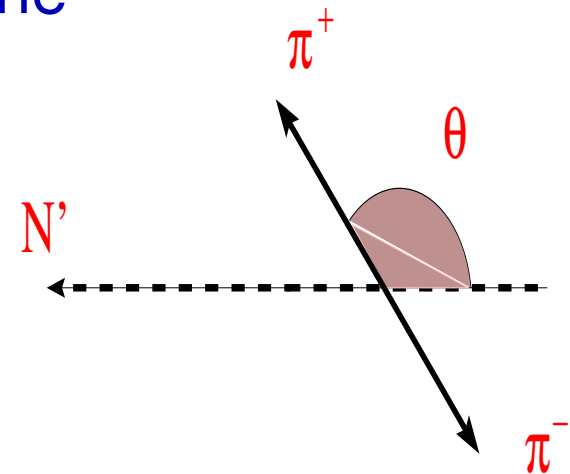
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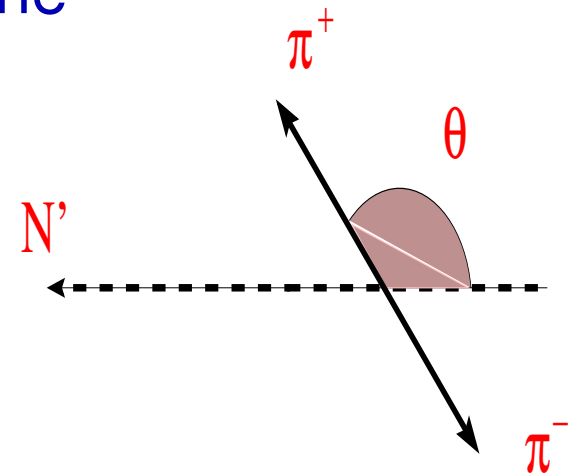
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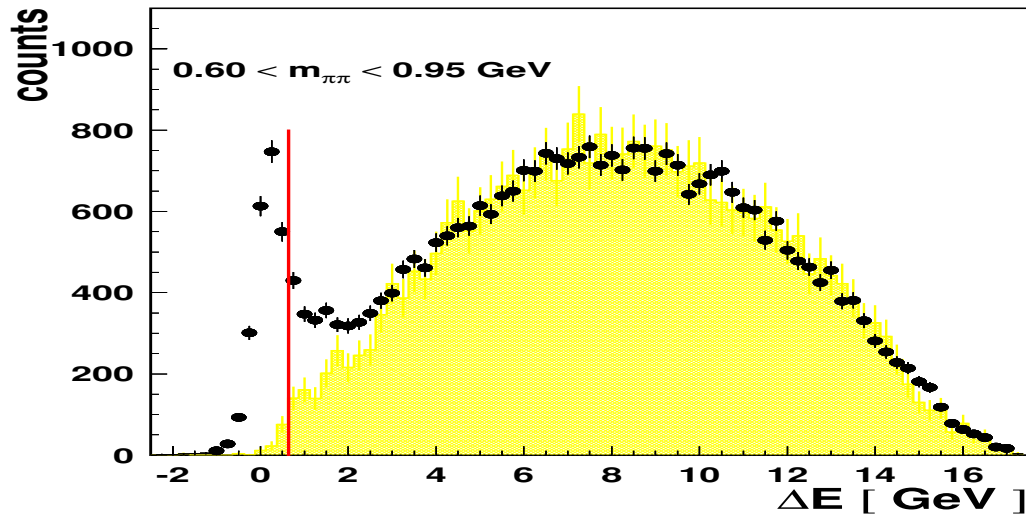
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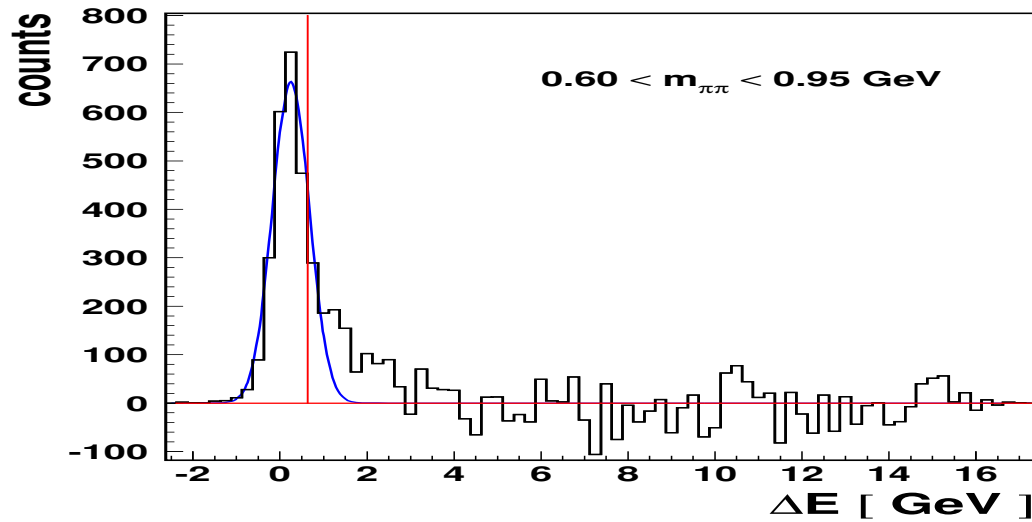


Through angular asymmetries, weak channels as f_0 and f_2 dominated by ρ production can be highlighted.

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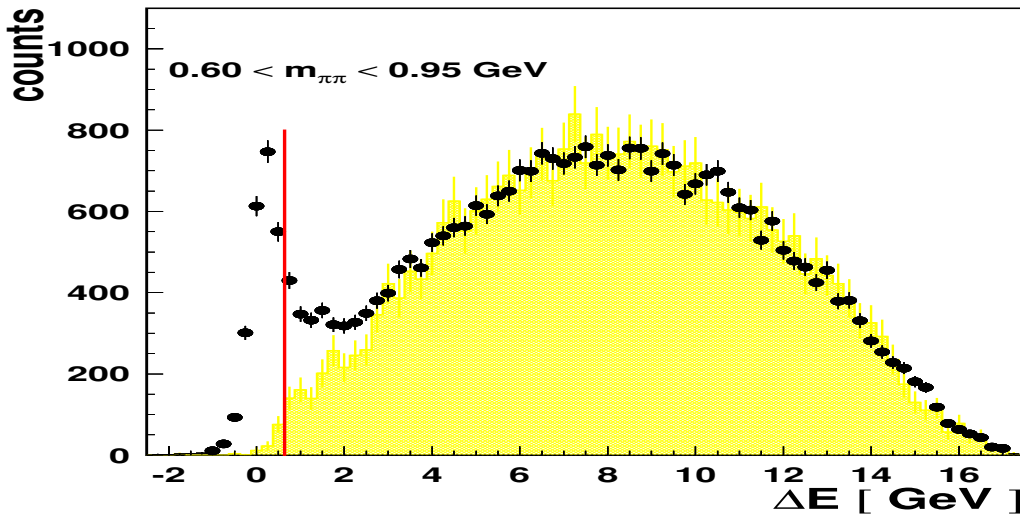


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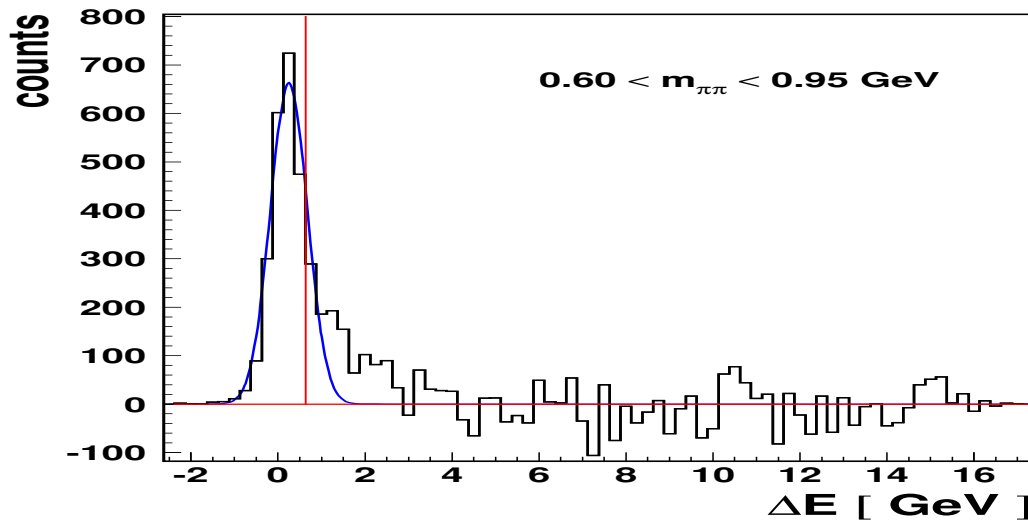


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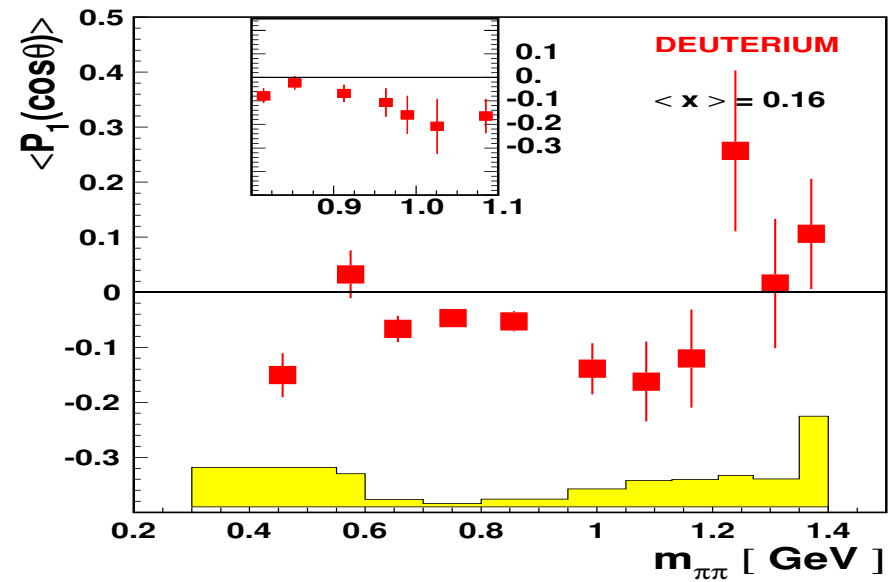
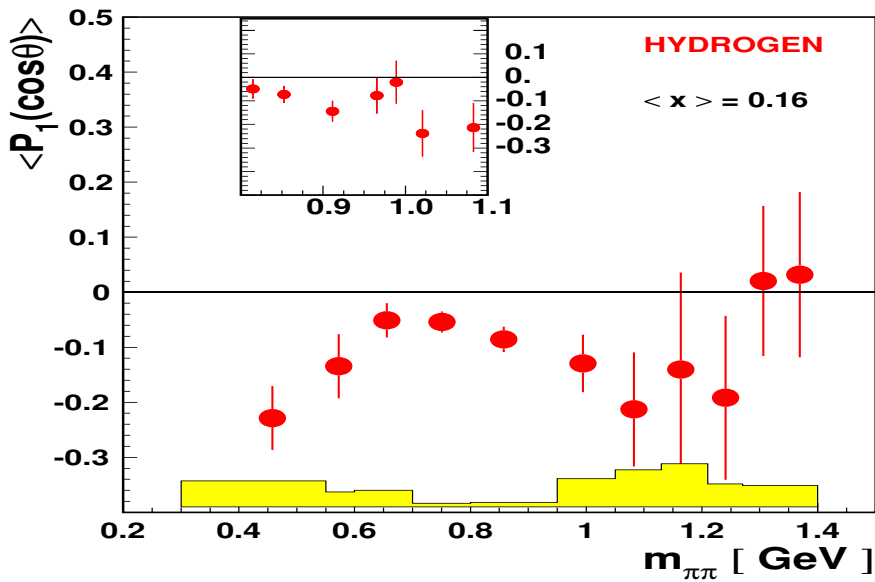


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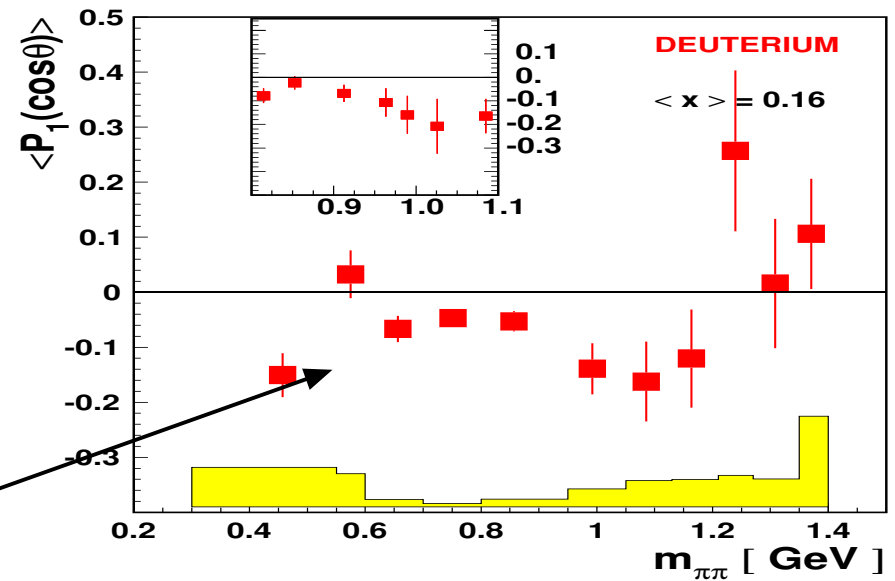
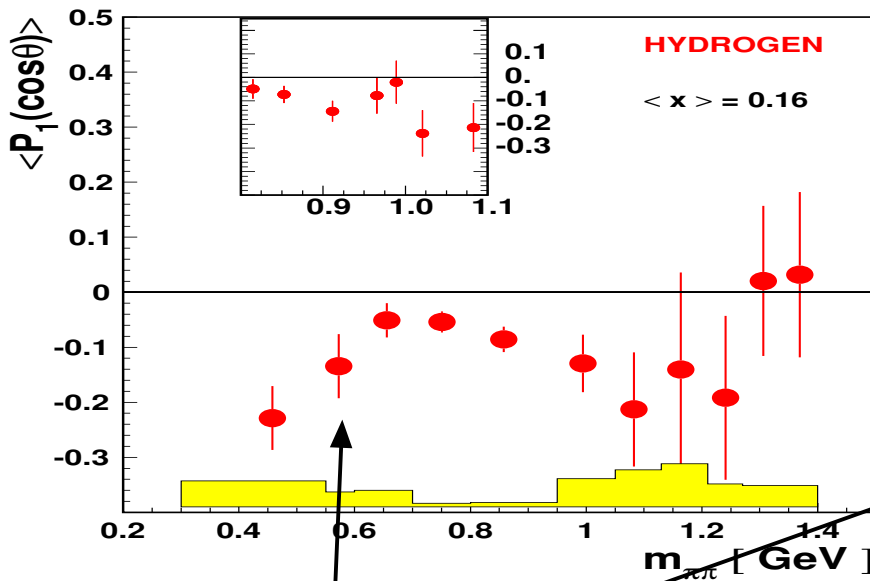
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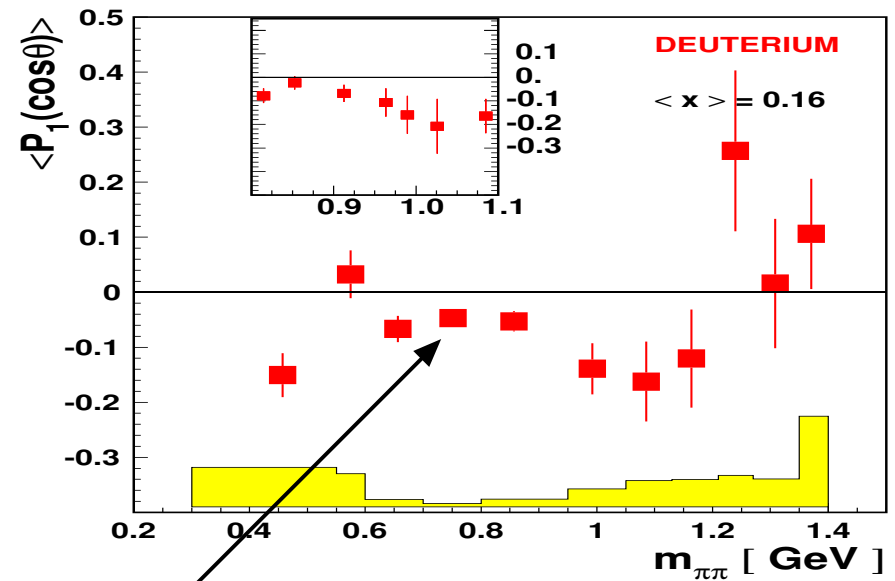
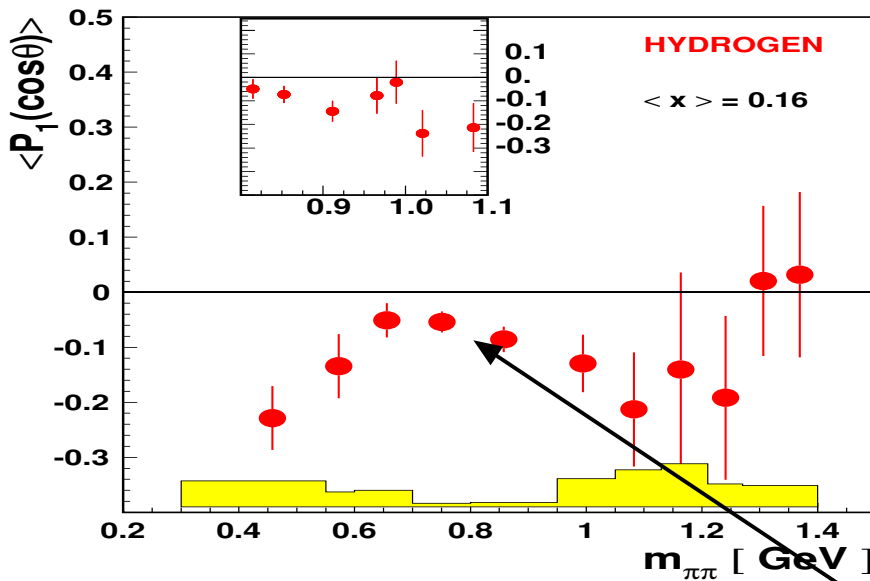
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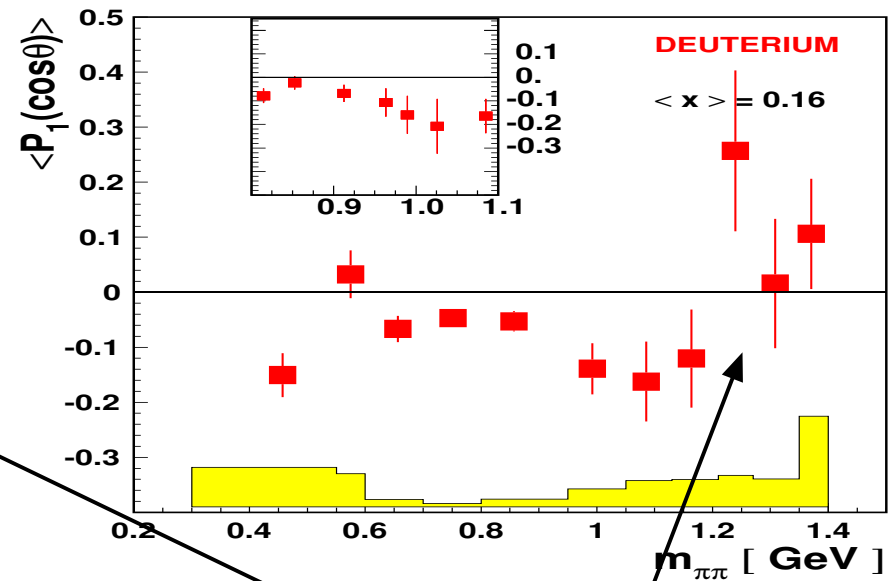
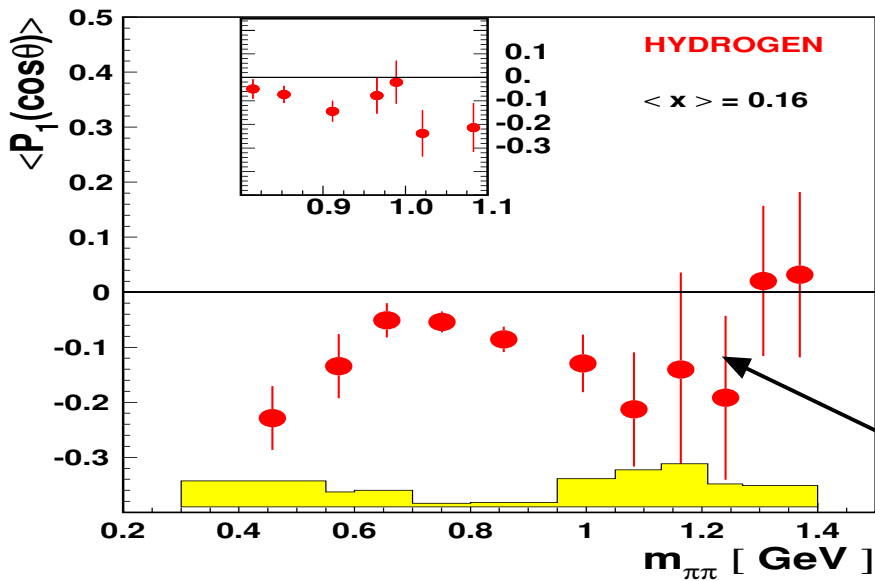
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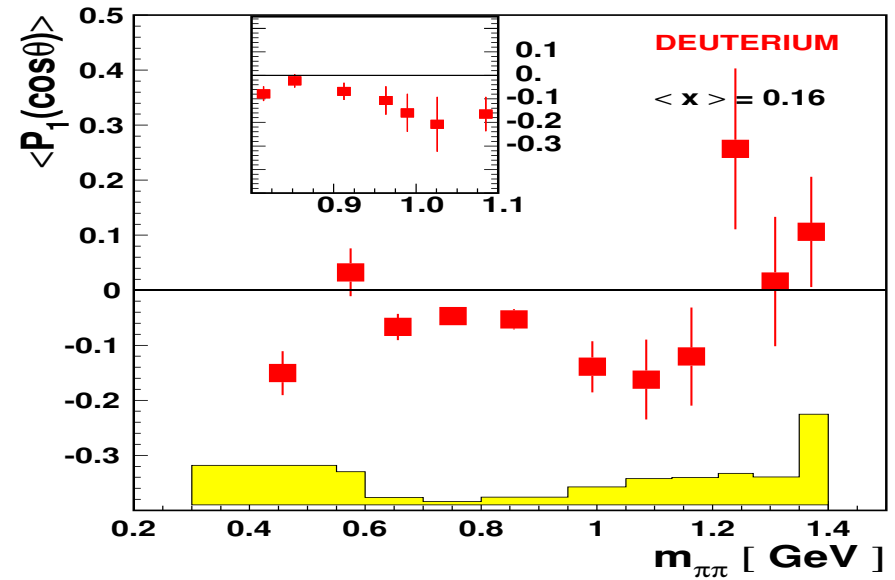
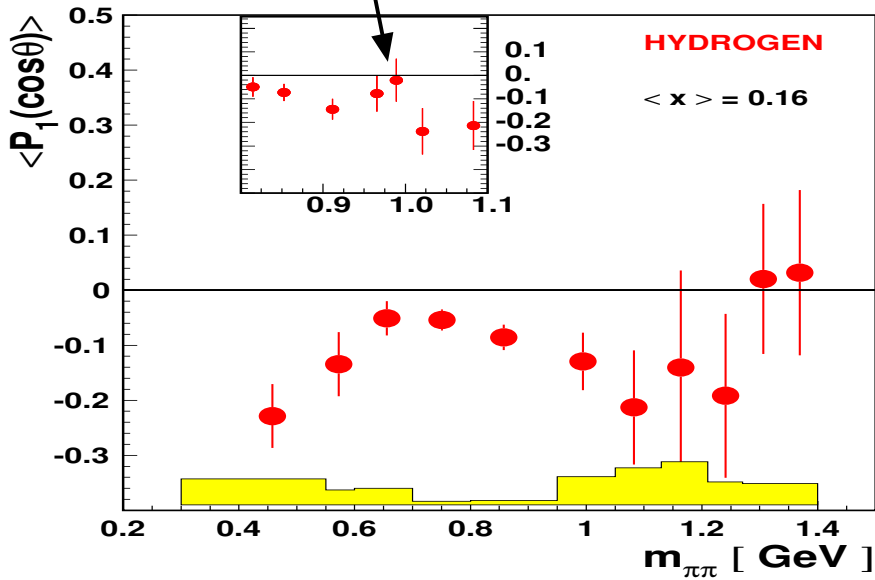
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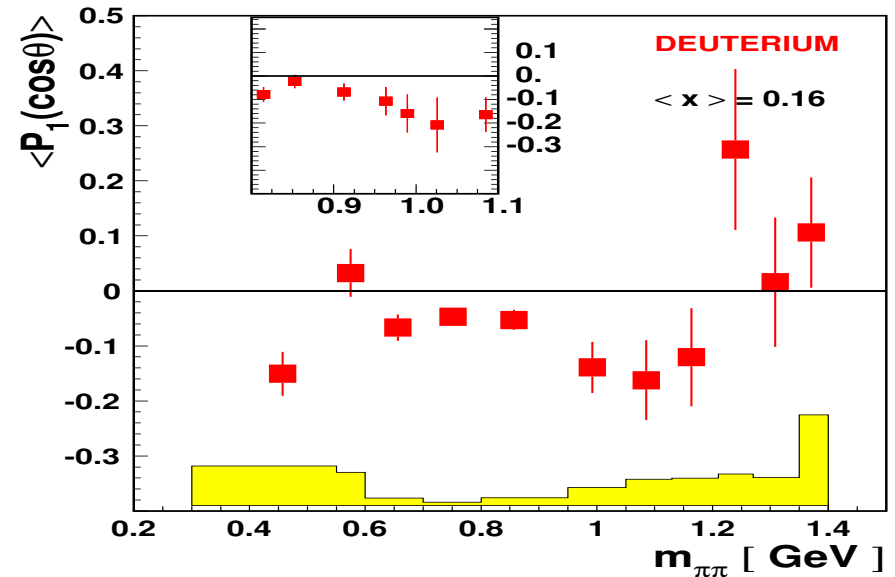
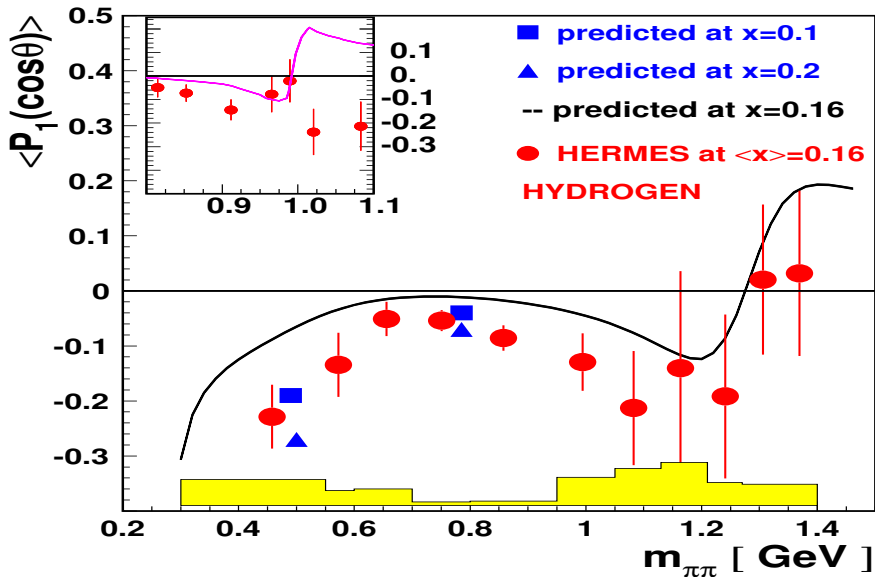
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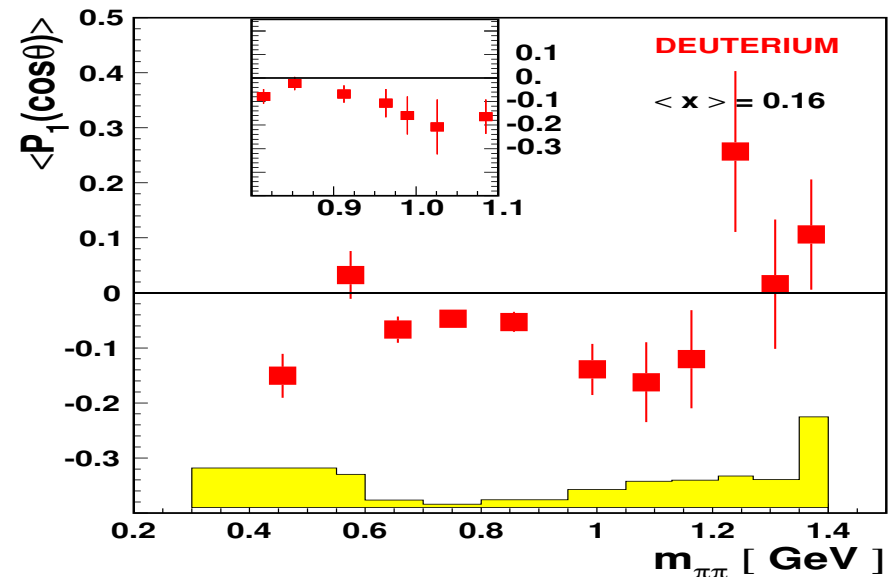
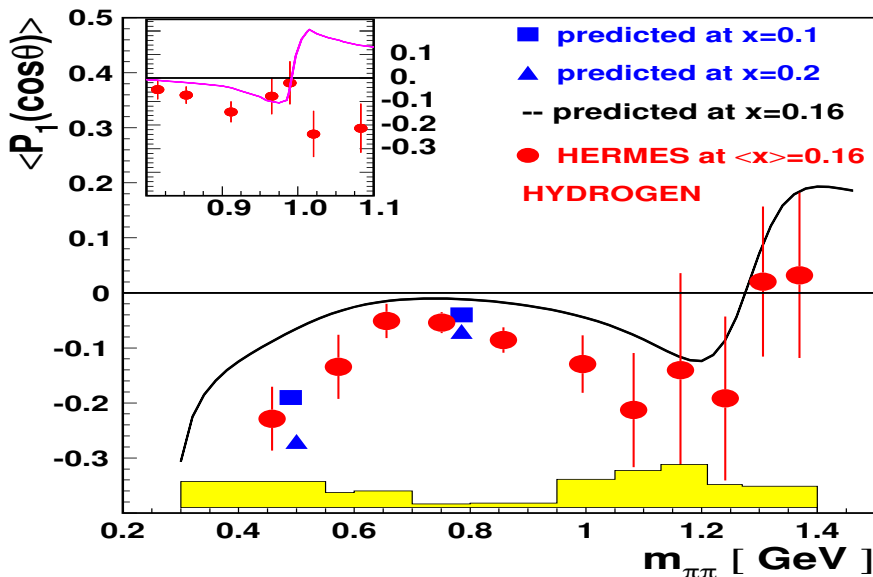
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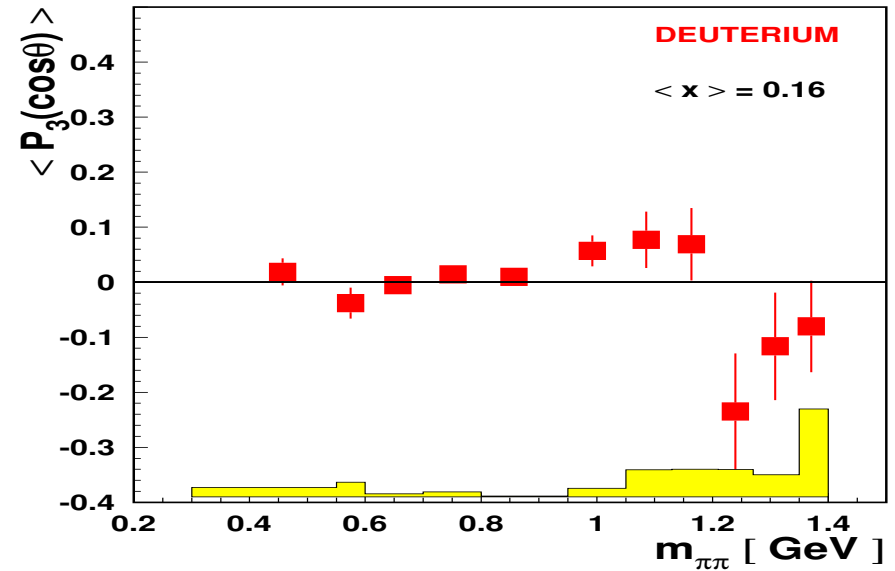
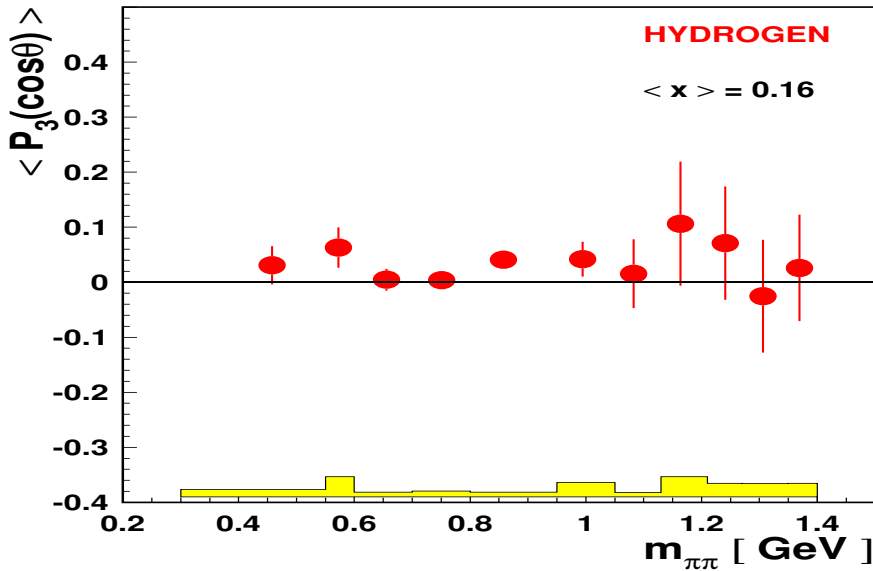
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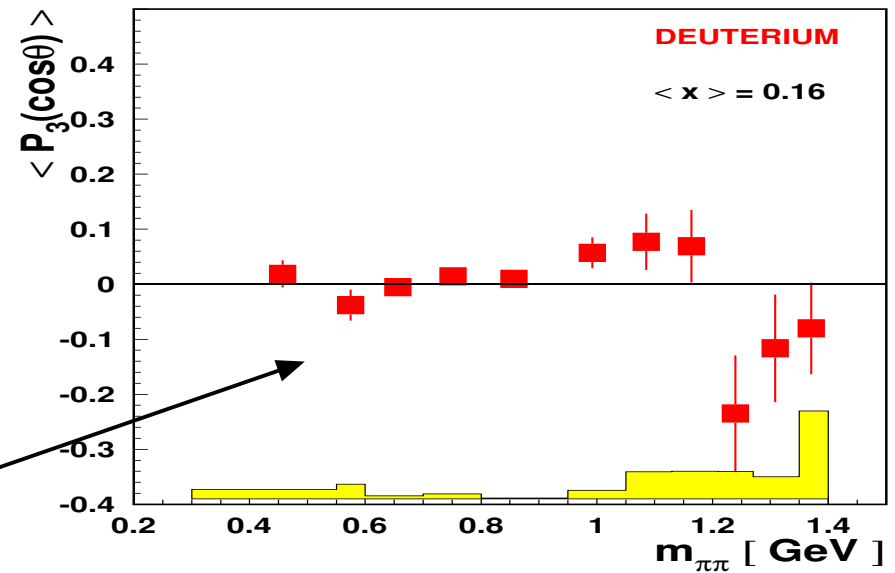
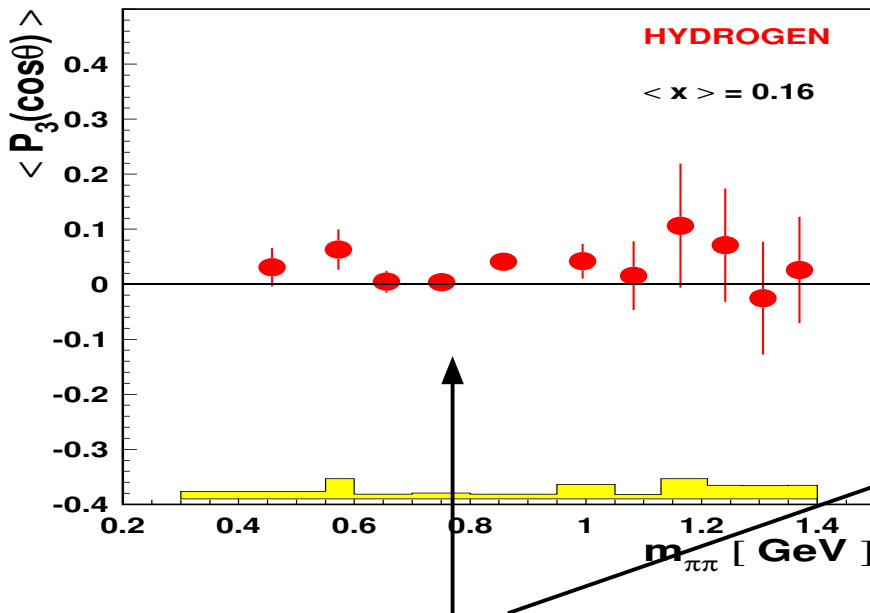
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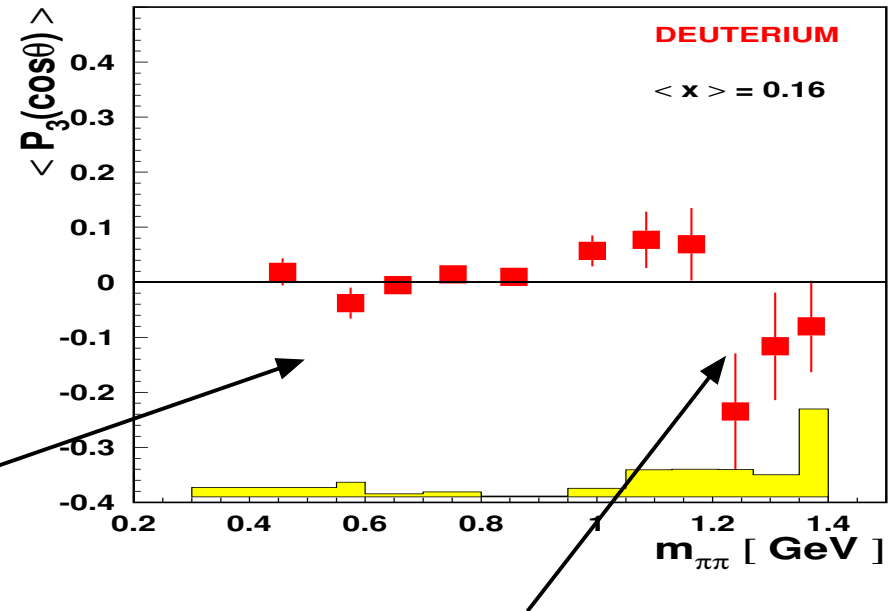
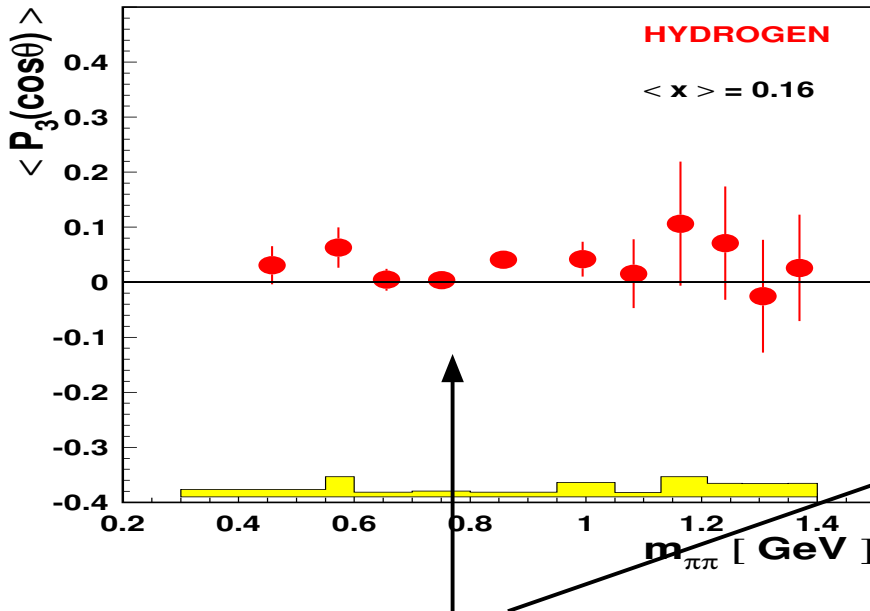
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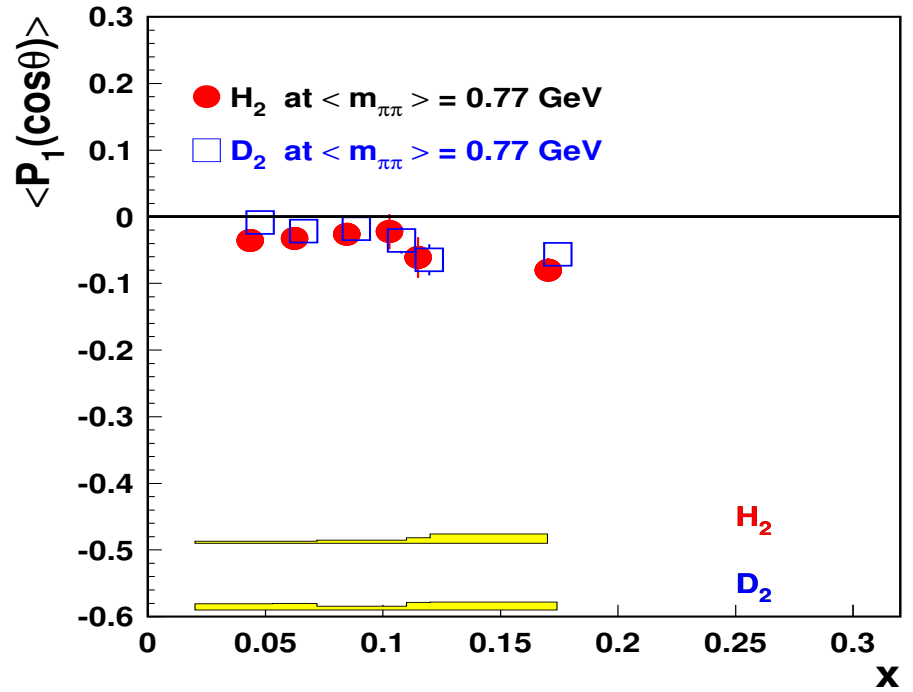
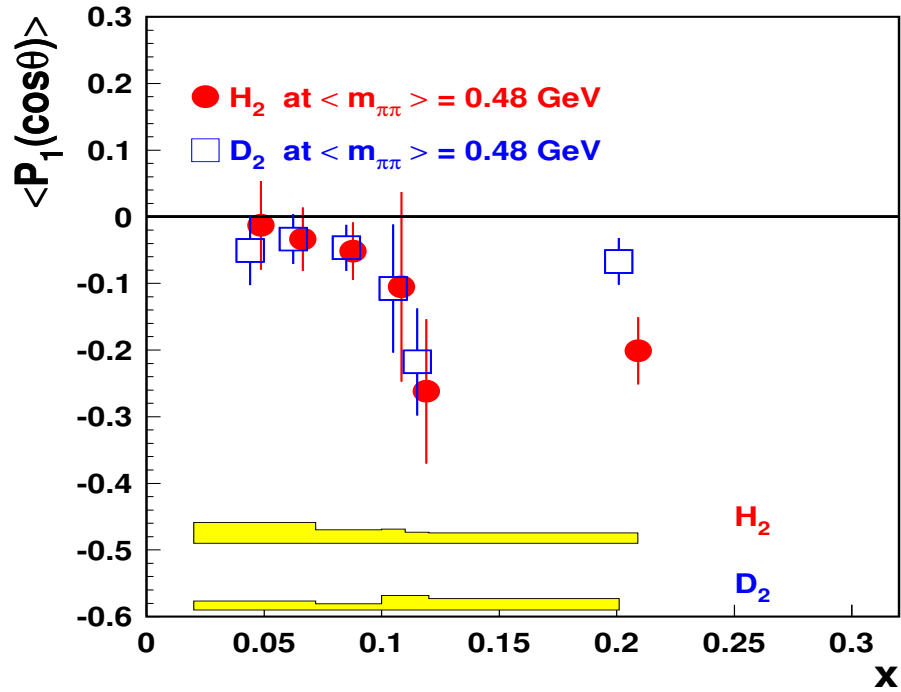
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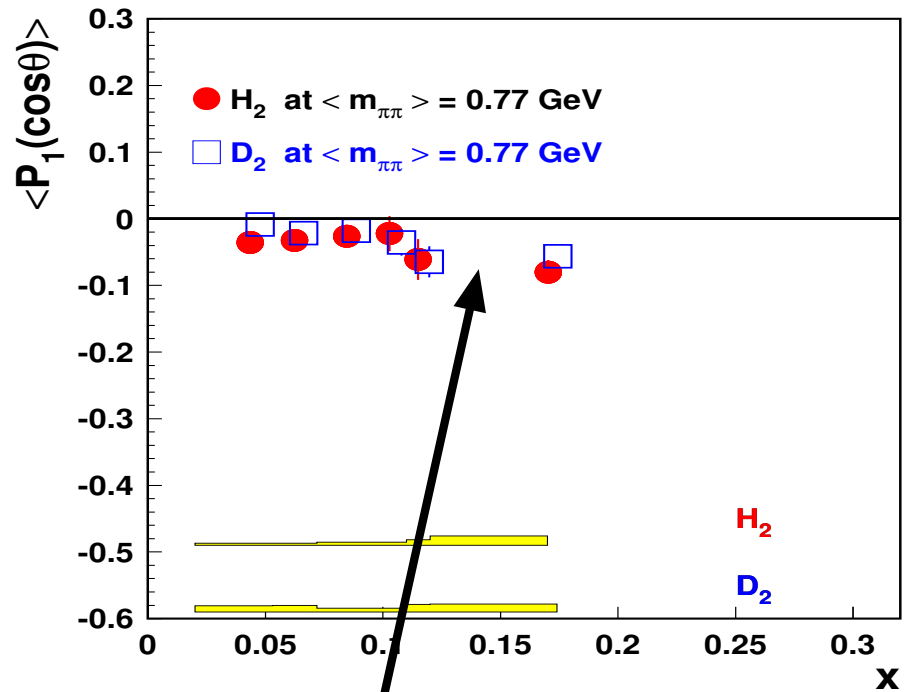
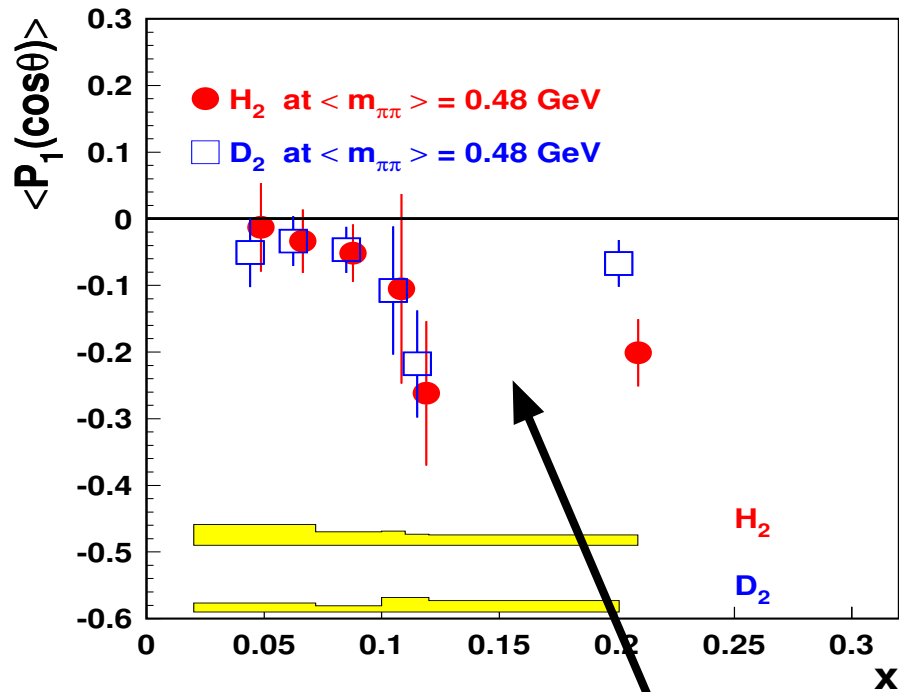
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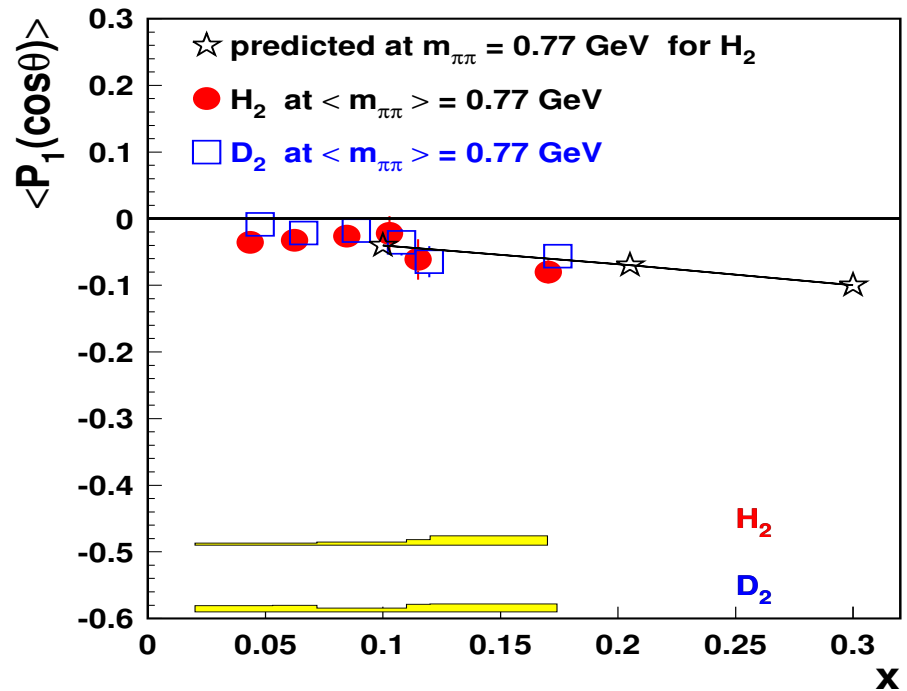
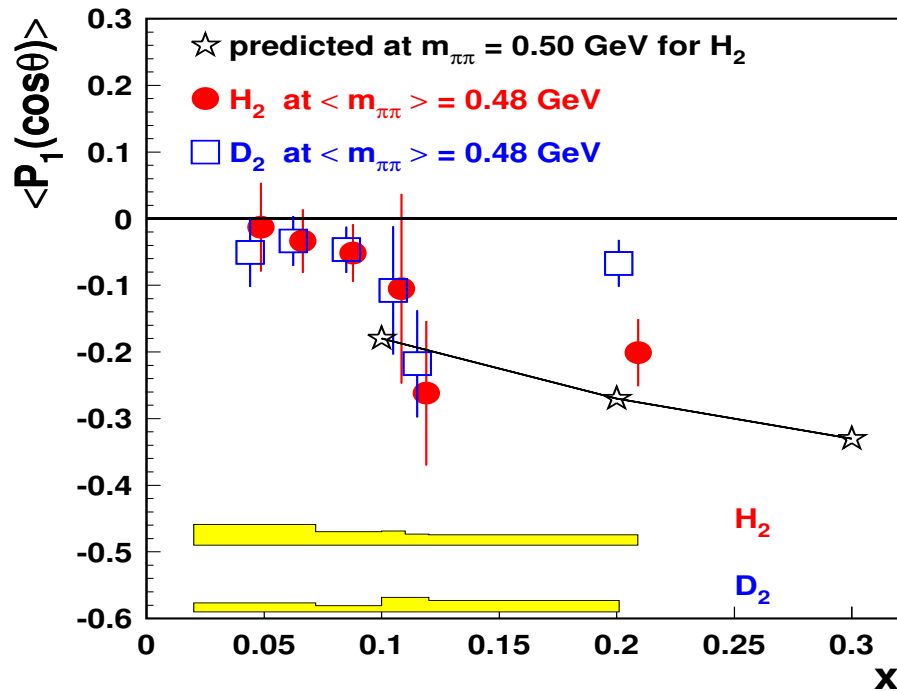


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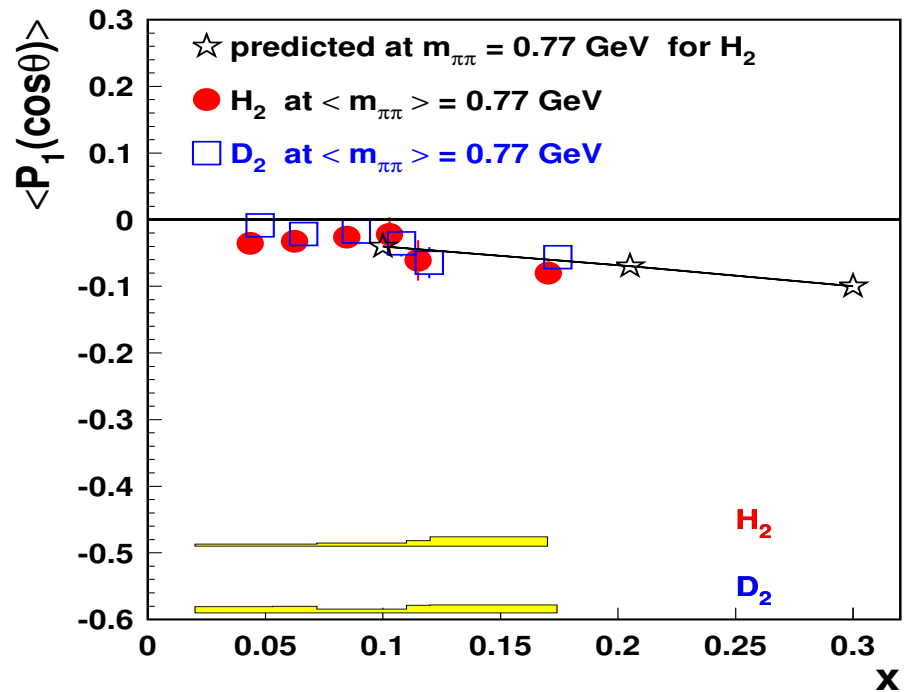
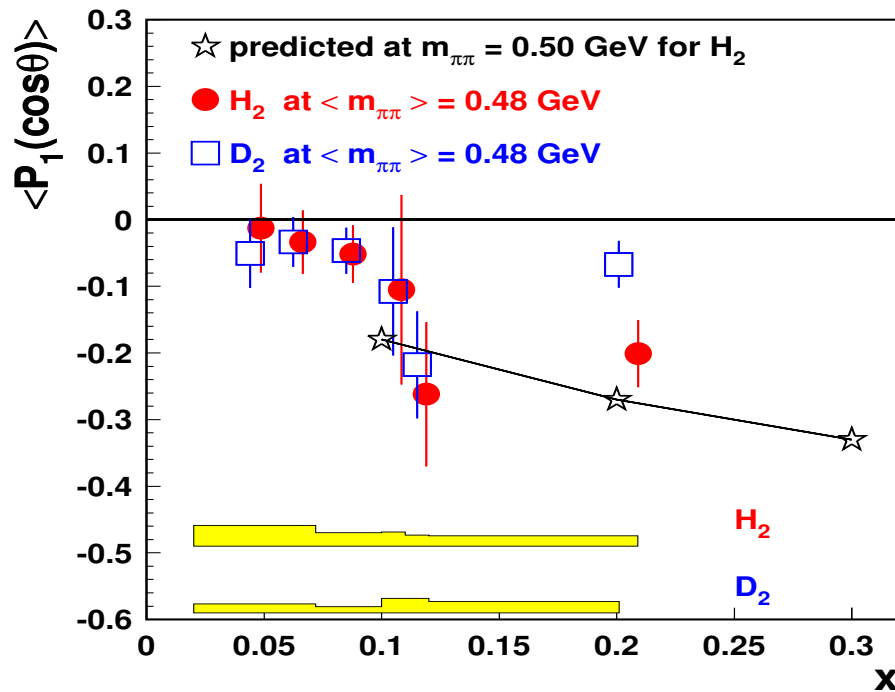


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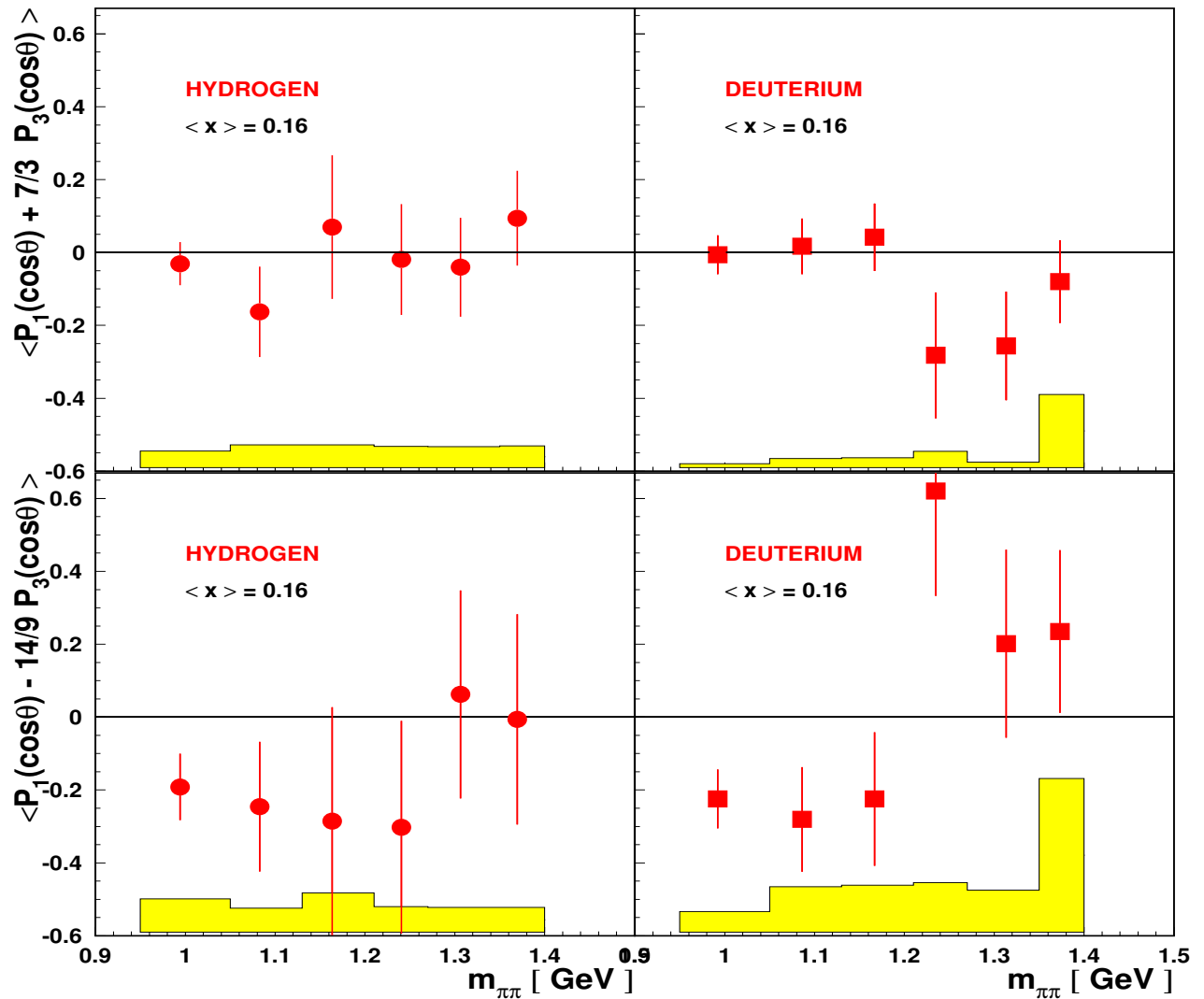
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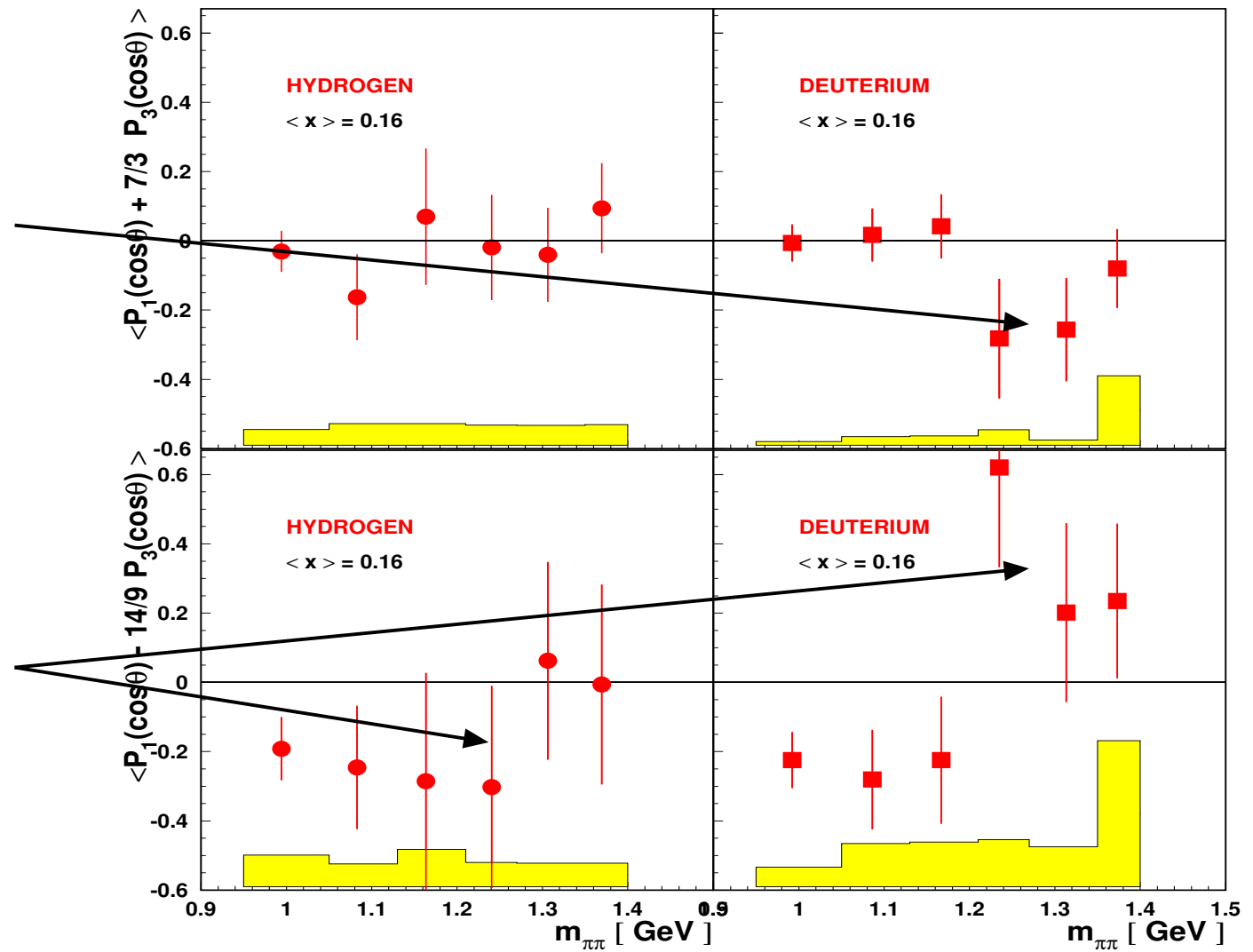
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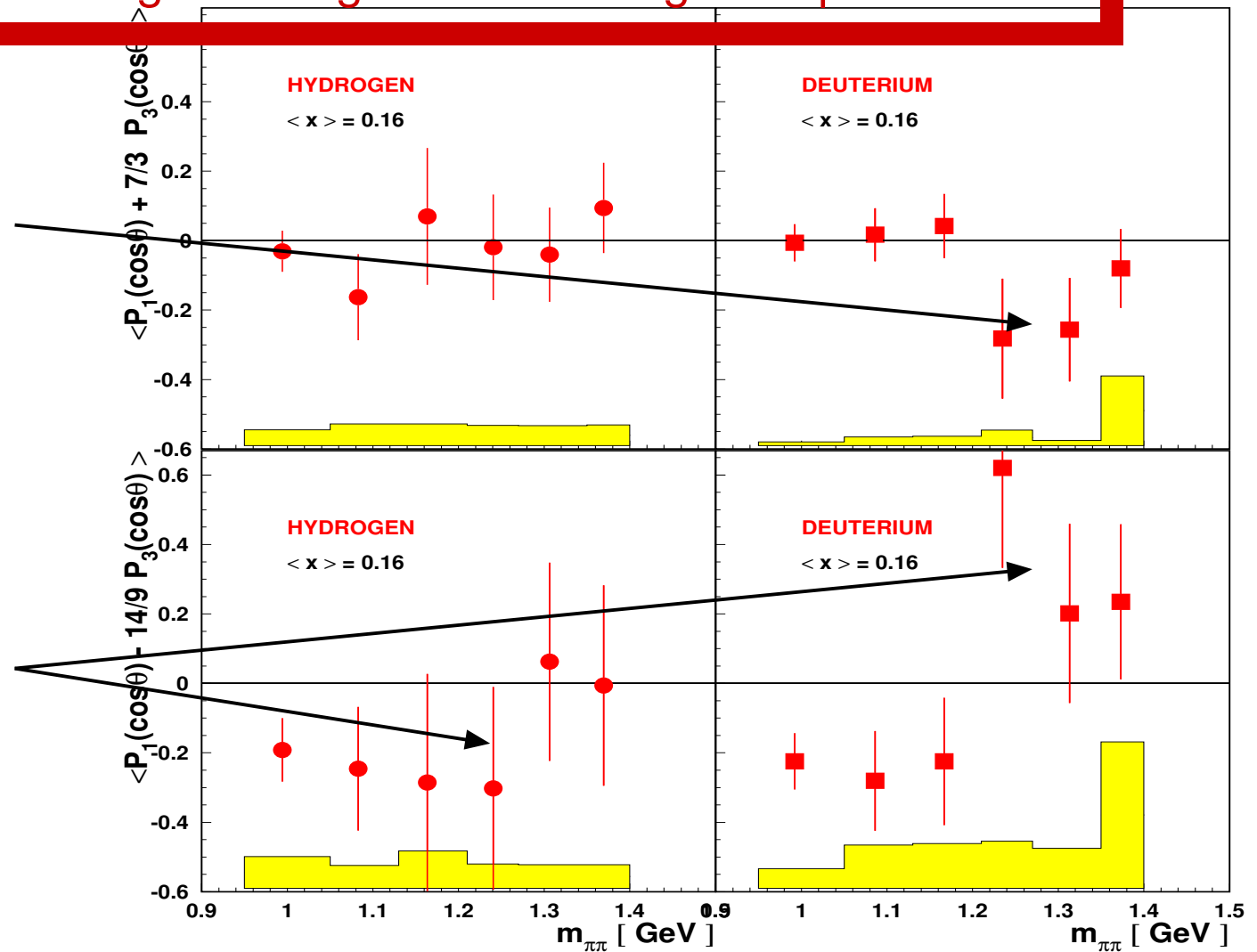


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