

# Pion Photoproduction in the Region of the Delta Resonance

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Goal: Examination of  $\gamma$  D observables in order to develop a means of extracting free neutron observables

## Outline:

- Experimental Overview
- Cross Sections
- Beam Asymmetries
- Comparison to Theory
- Conclusions

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## Overview of Experiment:

Linearly Polarized Photons  
Laser-Electron Gamma Source (LEGS)  
(NSLS, BNL)



Liquid H<sub>2</sub>, Liquid D<sub>2</sub>, Solid HD targets



Spin ASYmmetry (SASY)  
Large Solid-Angle Detector Array



Cross Sections, Beam asymmetries for pion  
photoproduction in the region of the Delta resonance

\*\*\* Preliminary Data \*\*\*

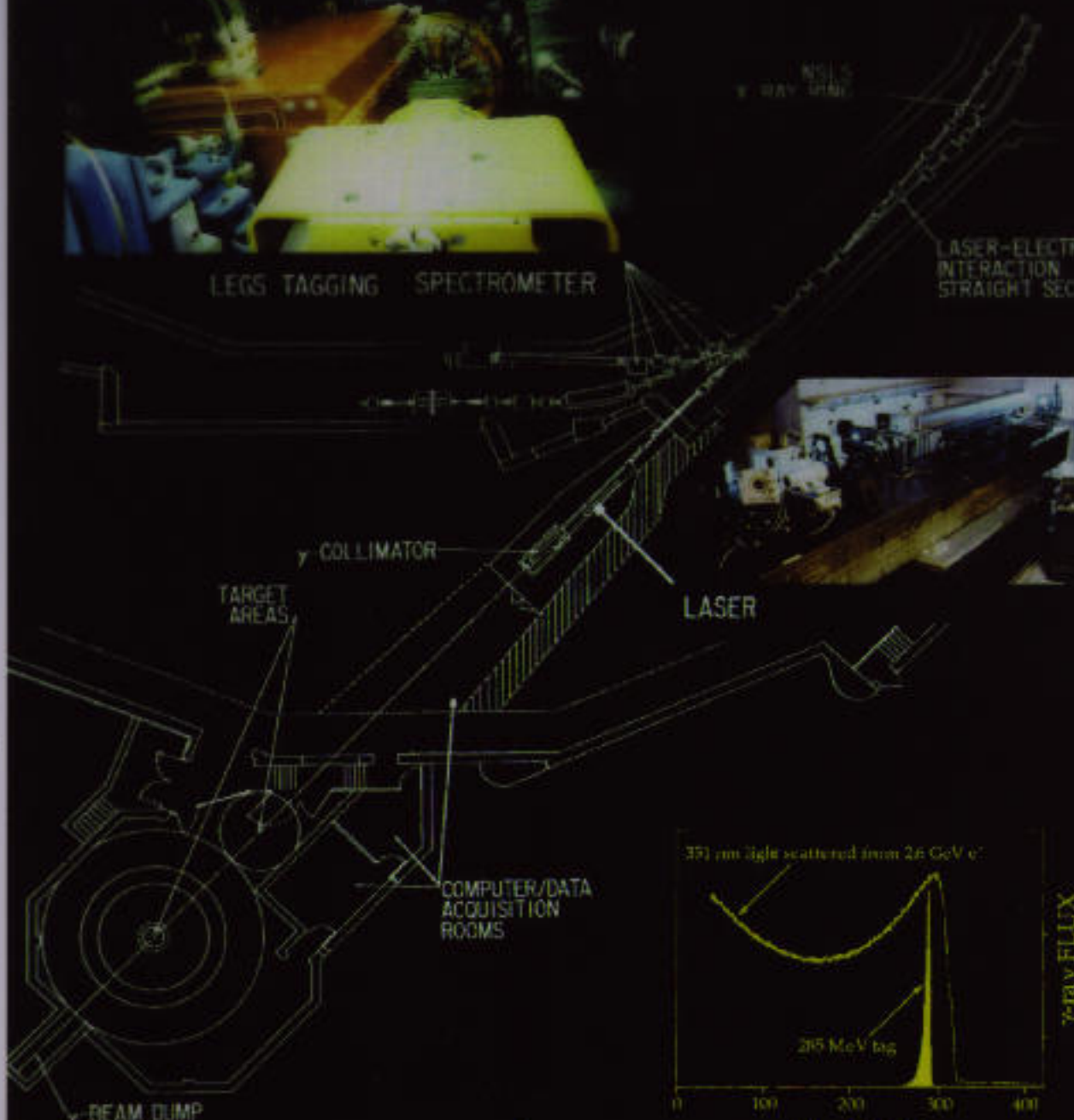
Will focus on  $d(\vec{\gamma}, \pi^0)X$



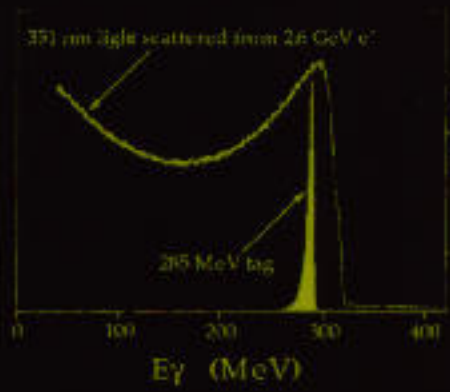
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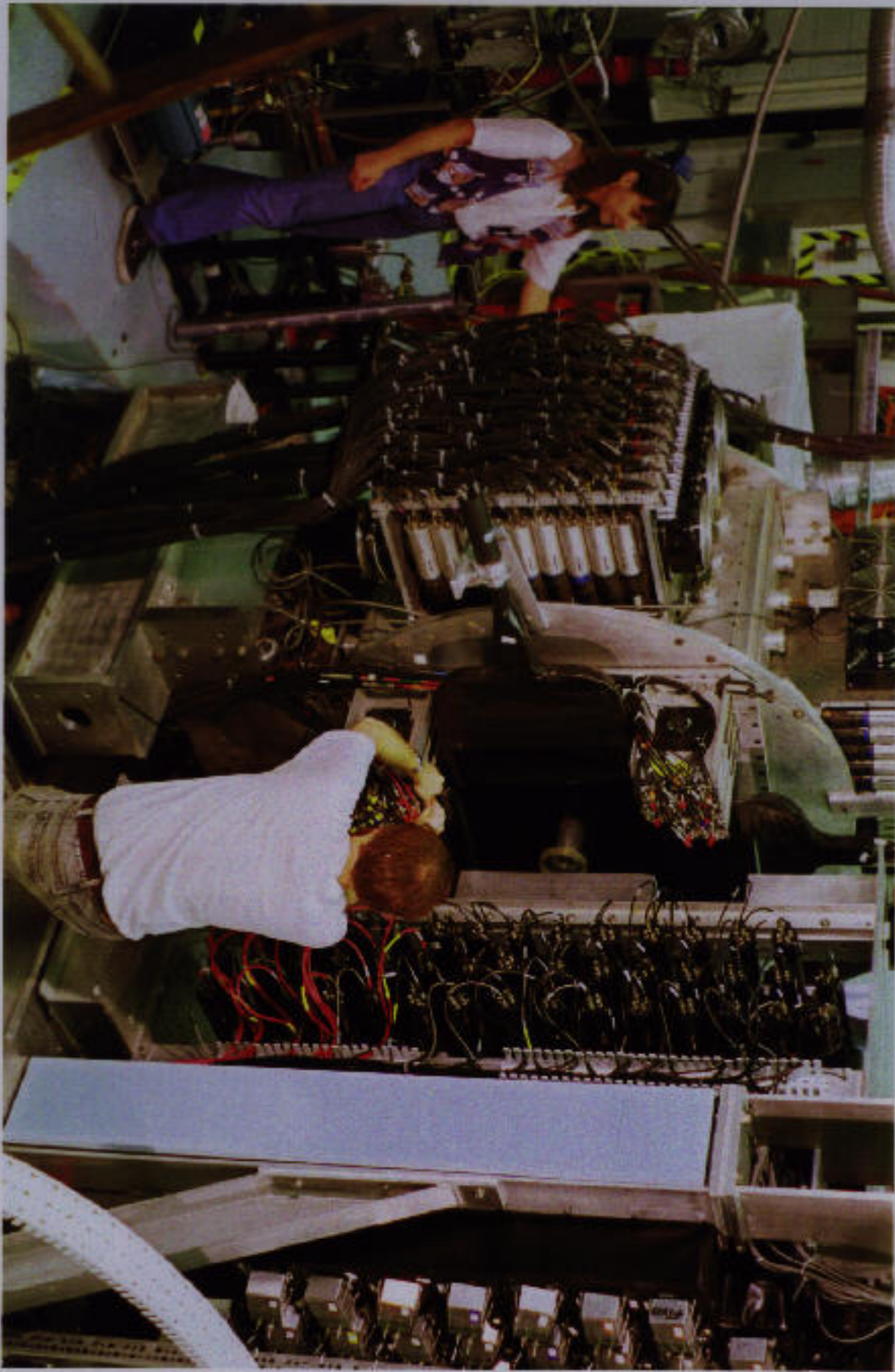
NSLS 5-WAY WING

LASER-ELECTRON INTERACTION STRAIGHT SECTION

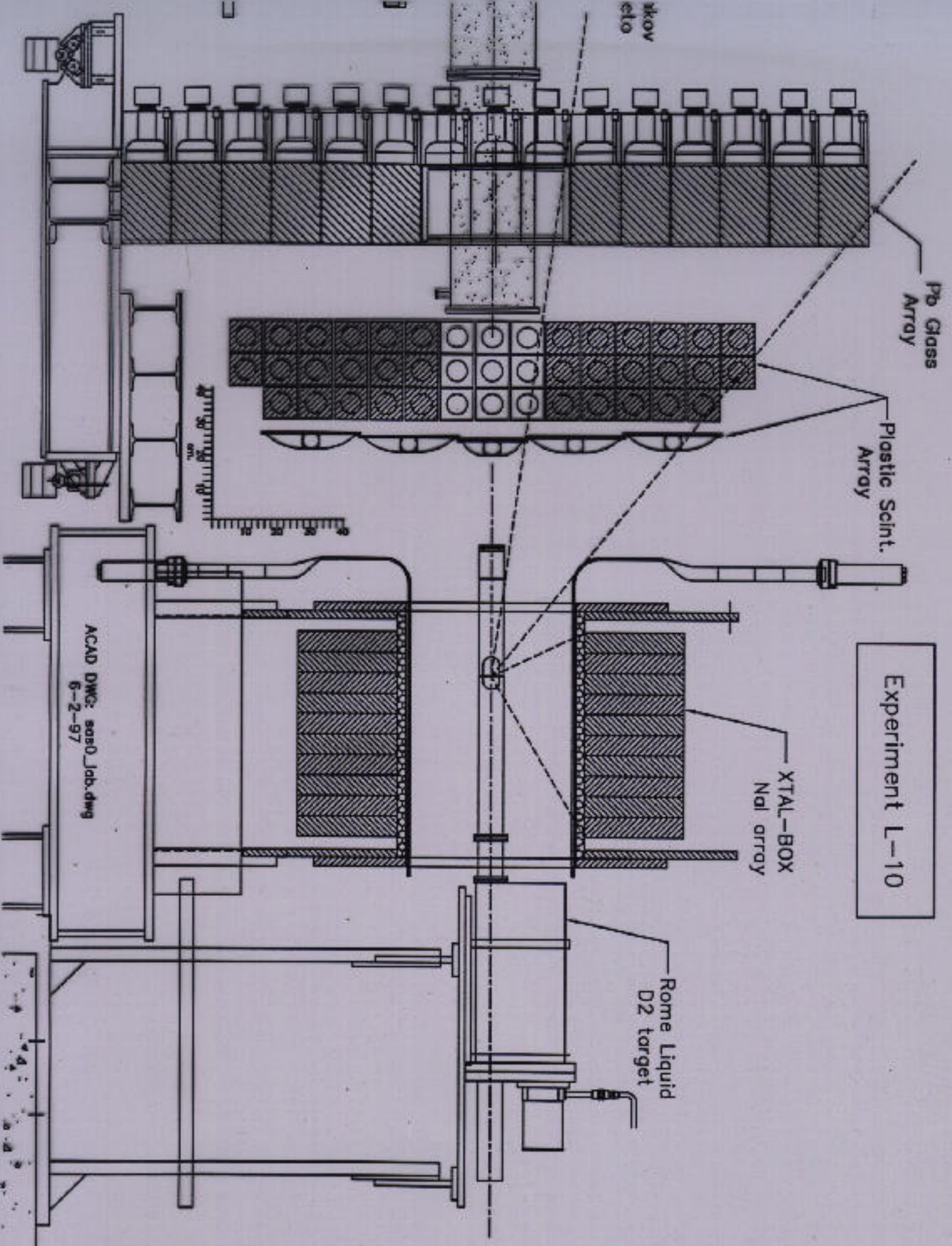


LASER

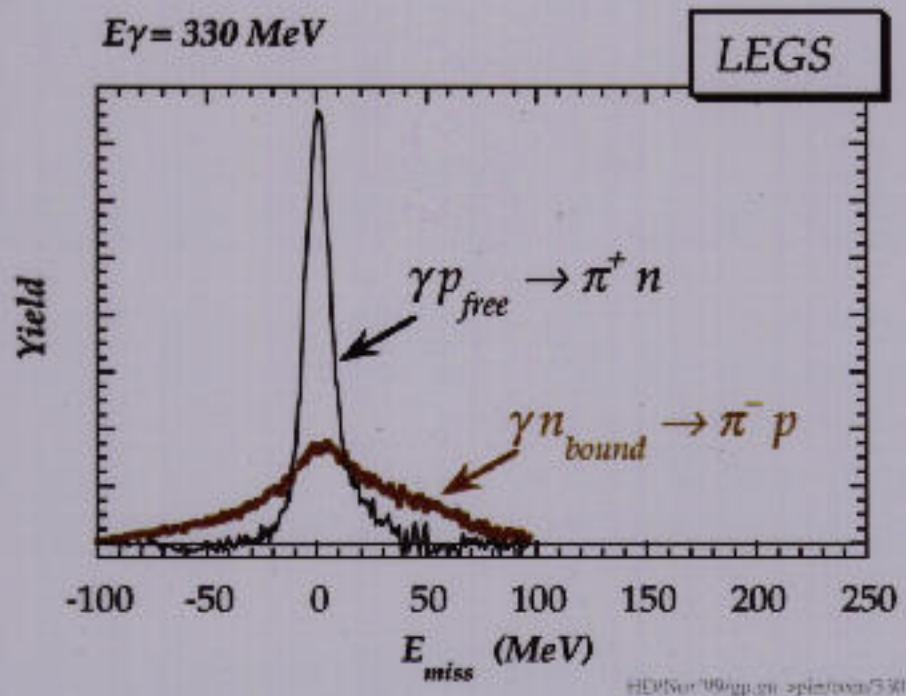
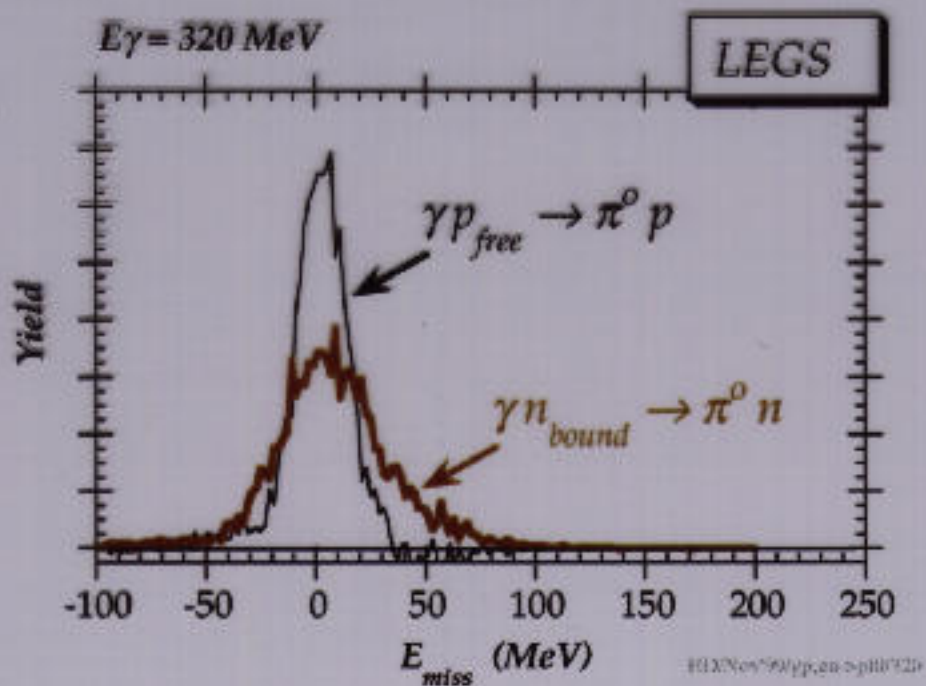




Experiment L-10



# Reconstruction of exclusive $\pi^0 / \pi^\pm$ channels

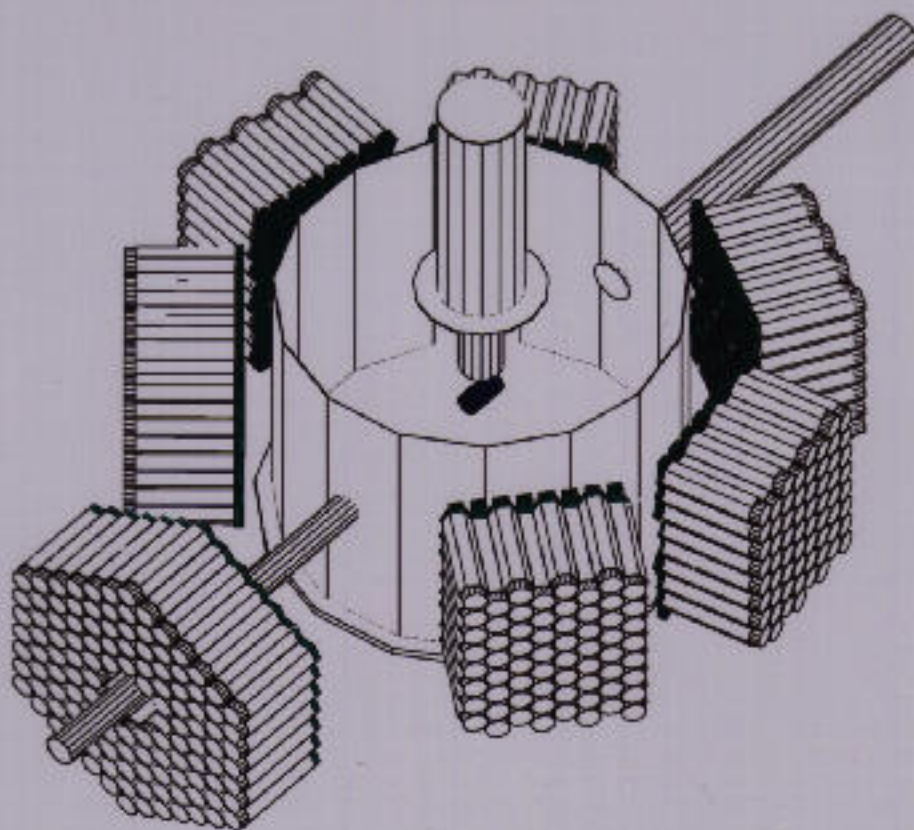


# Mainz Inclusive $d(\gamma, \pi^0)X$

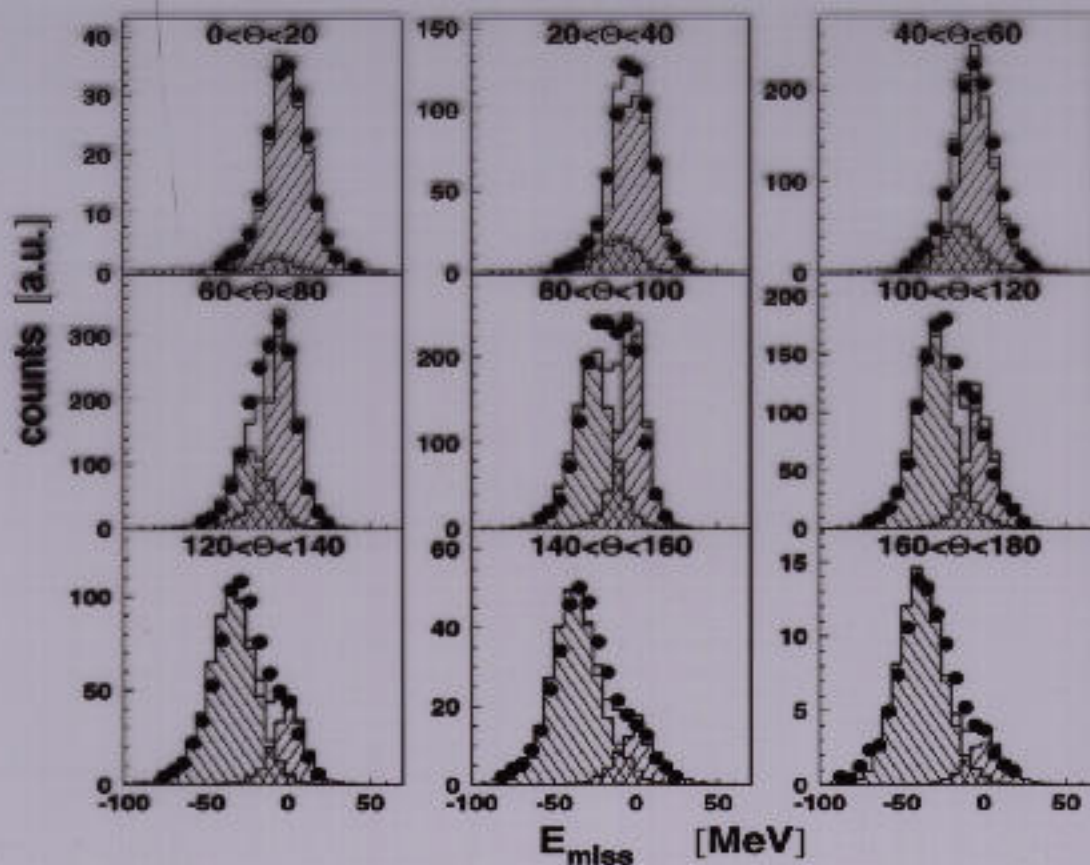
Coherent and Incoherent  $\pi^0$  Photoproduction from the Deuteron  
Eur. Phys. J. A10(2001), 365-371

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<http://www.w210.ub.uni-tuebingen.de/dbt/volltexte/2001/213>

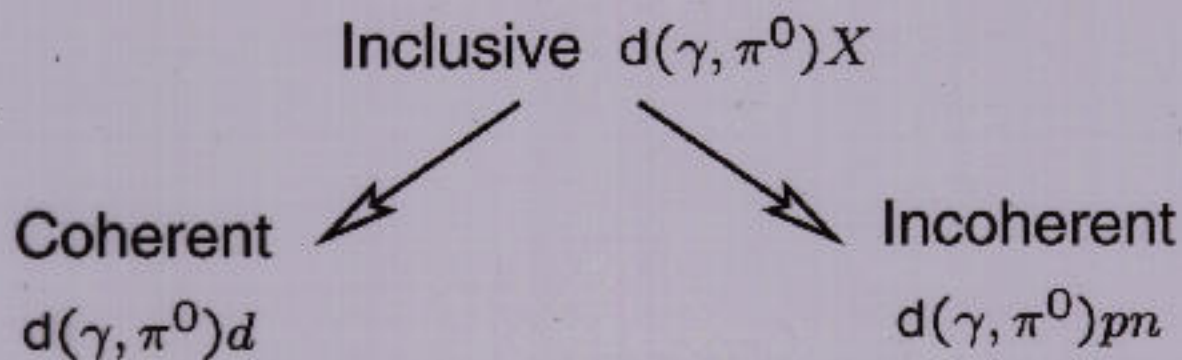
$$140 \text{ MeV} < E_\gamma < 306 \text{ MeV}$$



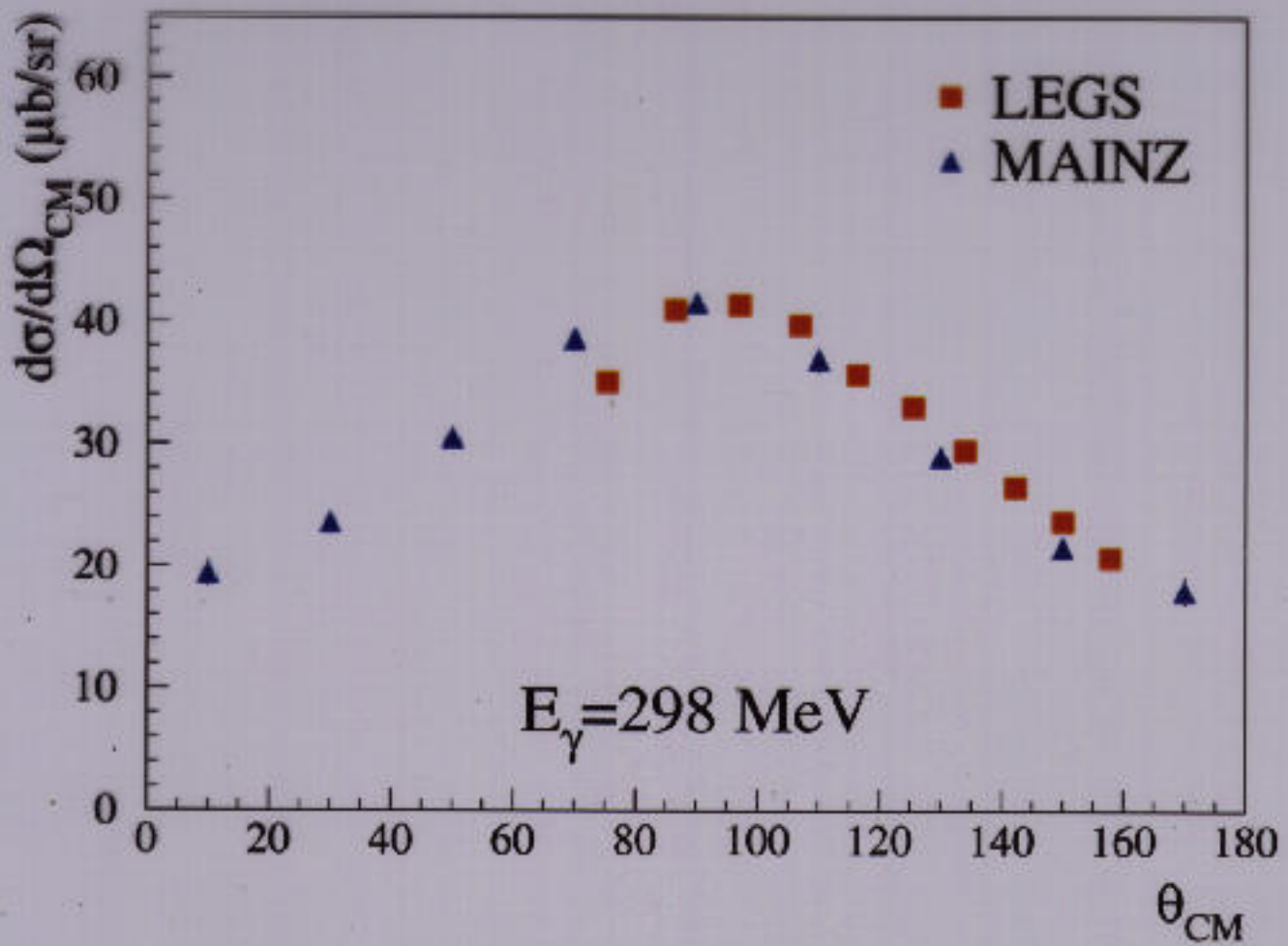


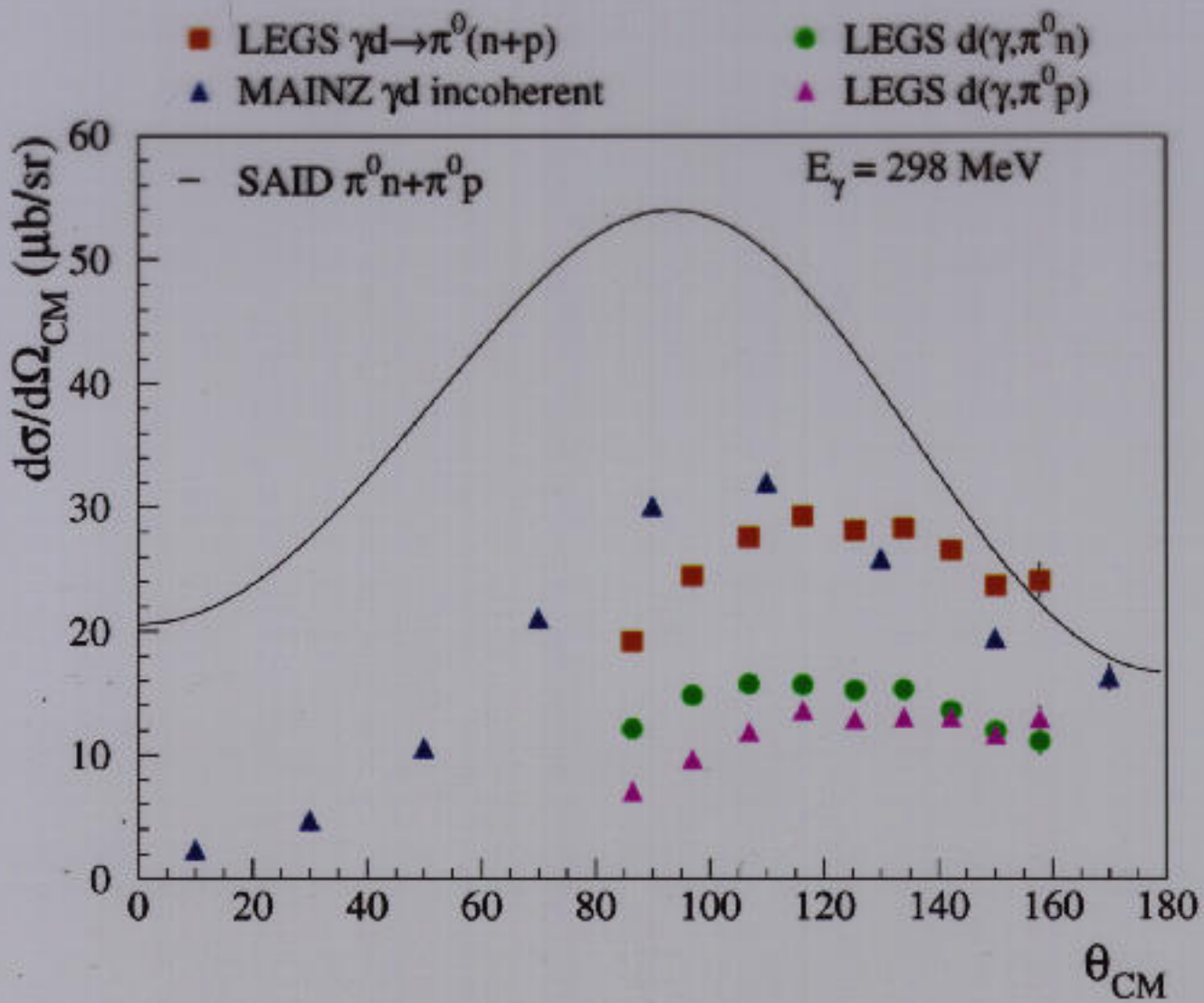


Fit of missing mass using  $\pi^0$



# Inclusive Reaction - $d(\vec{\gamma}, \pi^0)X$





## Differential Cross sections (C.S.):

LEGS Preliminary and Mainz 2001

Inclusive C.S. very consistent

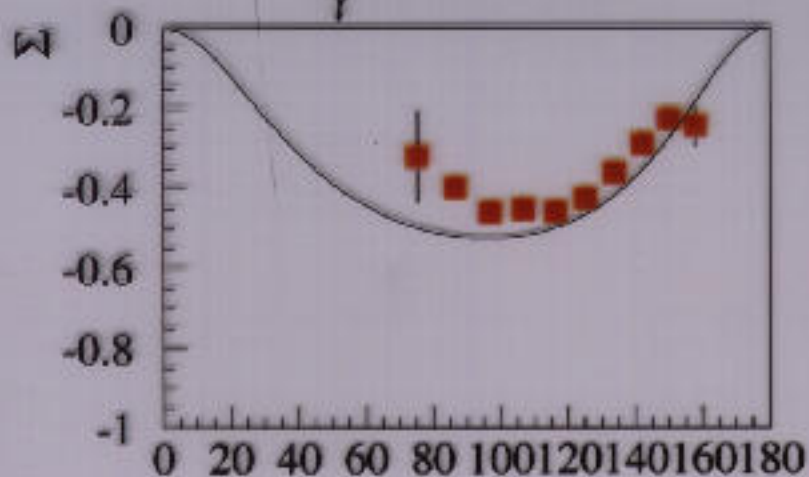
Sum of LEGS exclusive channels confirms incoherent results from Mainz

Both support large deviations from free behavior in incoherent C.S.

# $\Sigma \vec{\gamma}d$ - Beam Asymmetries

$E_\gamma = 298 \text{ MeV}$

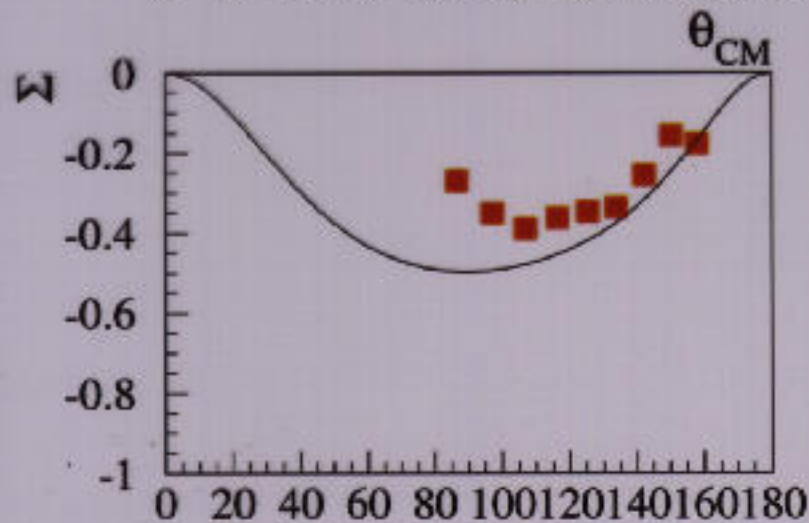
$$\Sigma = \frac{\sigma_{\text{par}} - \sigma_{\text{per}}}{\sigma_{\text{par}} + \sigma_{\text{per}}}$$



$$\Sigma d(\vec{\gamma}, \pi^0 n)$$

■ LEGS

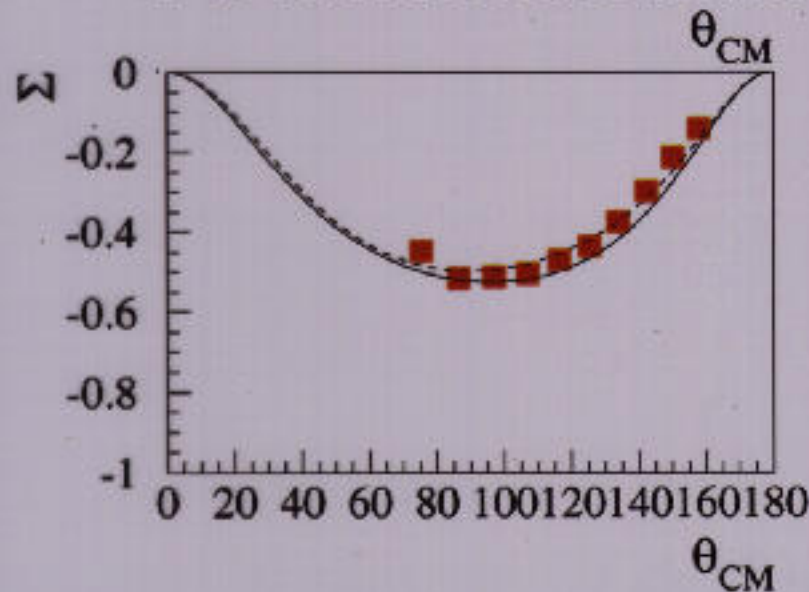
— SAID(SM01K)  $\pi^0 n$



$$\Sigma d(\vec{\gamma}, \pi^0 p)$$

■ LEGS

— SAID(BNL)  $\pi^0 p$

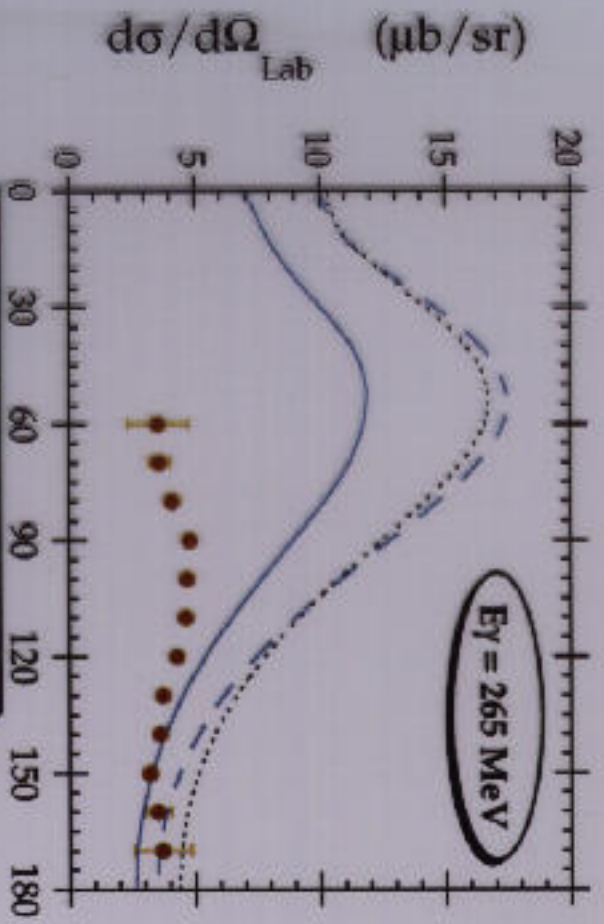


$$\Sigma d(\vec{\gamma}, \pi^0)X$$

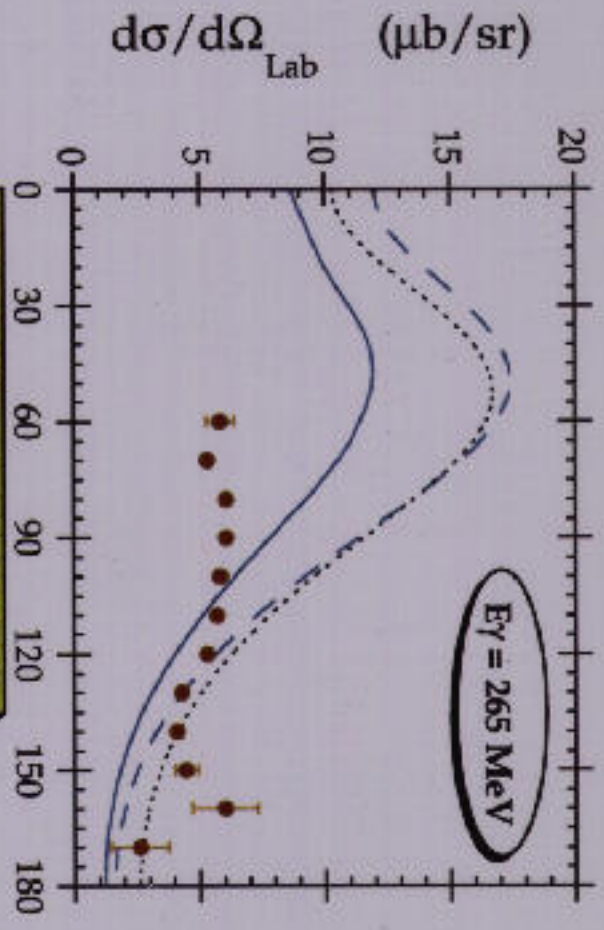
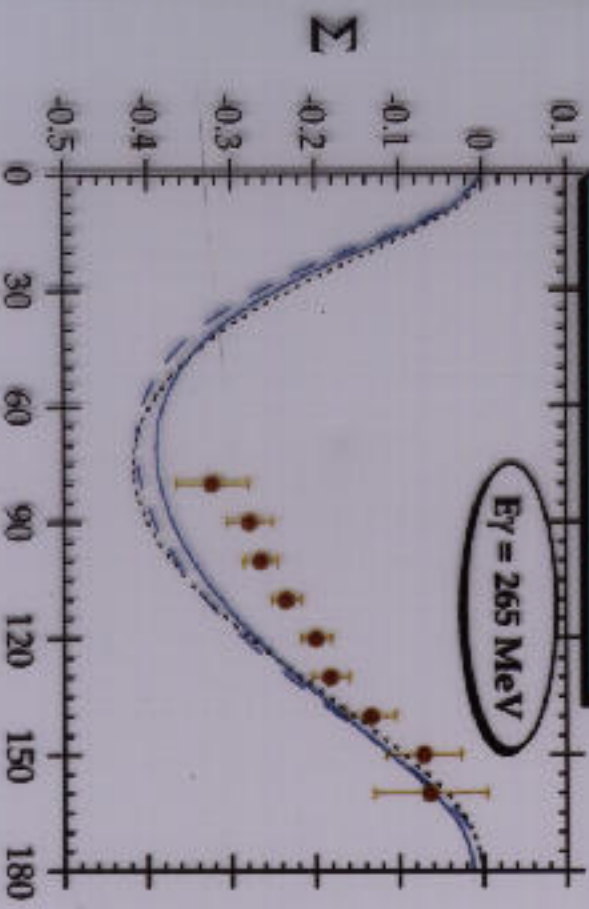
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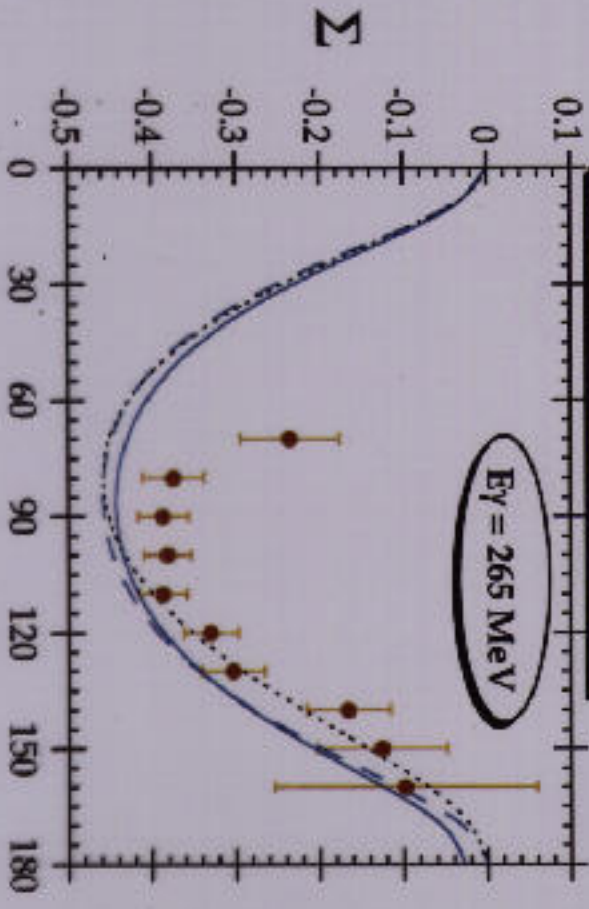
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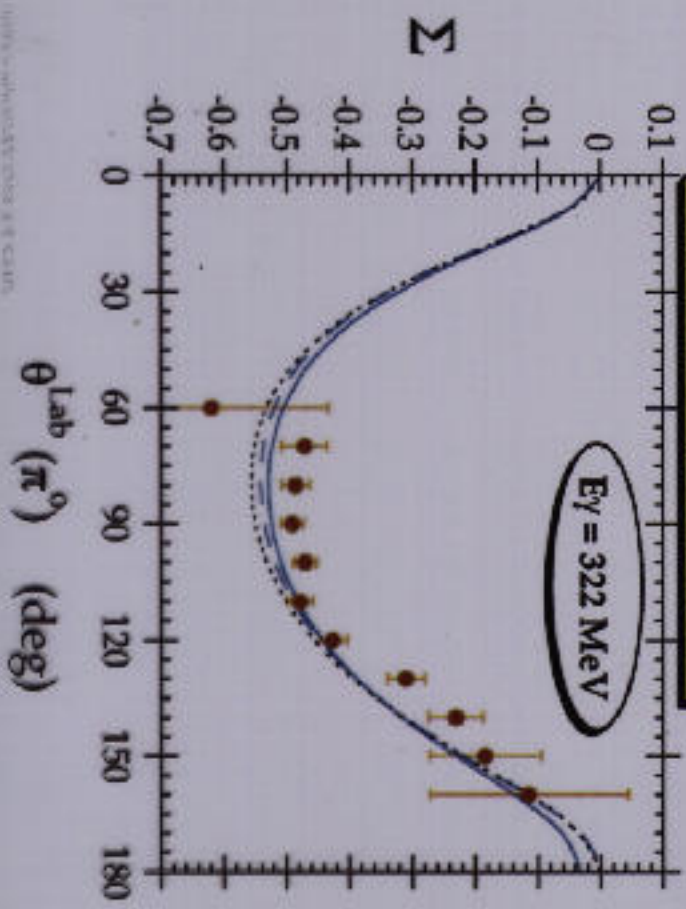
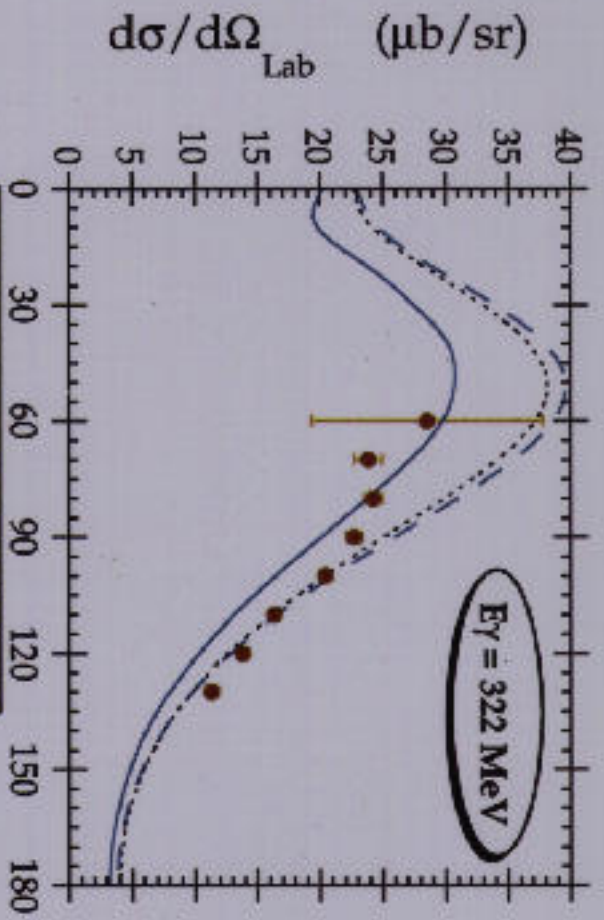
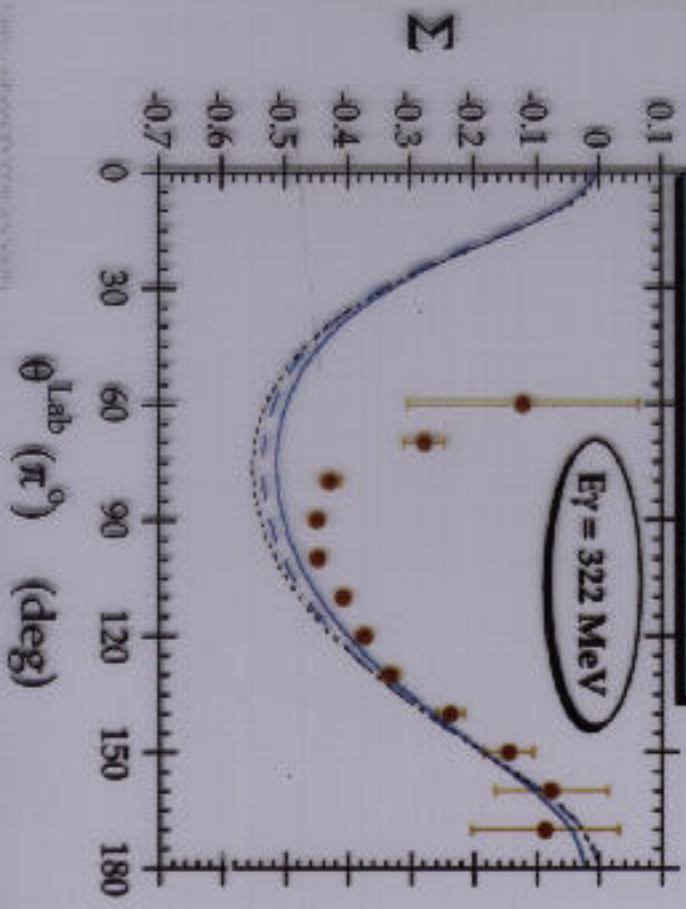
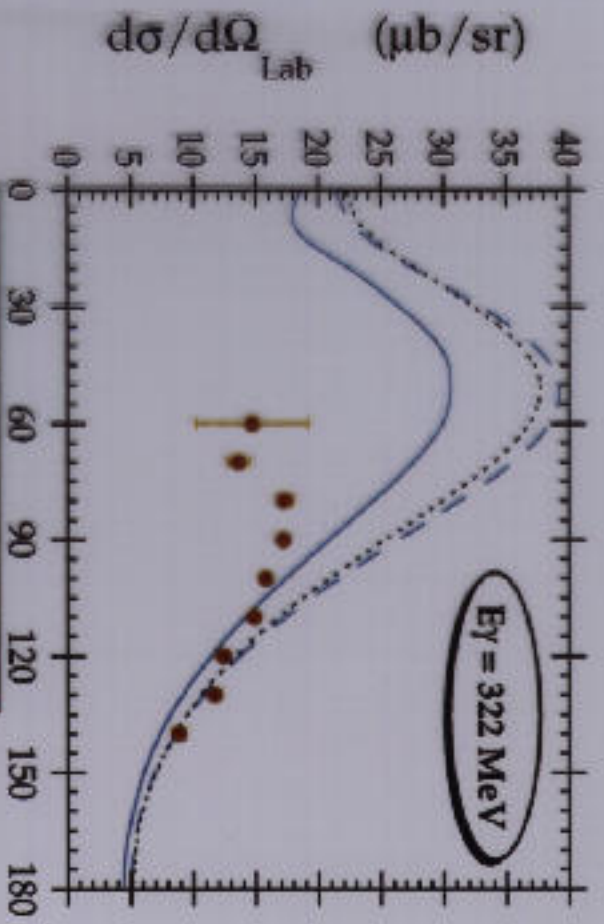


○ LEGS  $D(\gamma\pi^0 p)$   
 — Lee & Sato  $D(\gamma\pi^0 p)$   
 - - Lee & Sato  $p(\gamma\pi^0 p)$   
 ..... SAID[SM01k]  $p(\gamma\pi^0 p)$

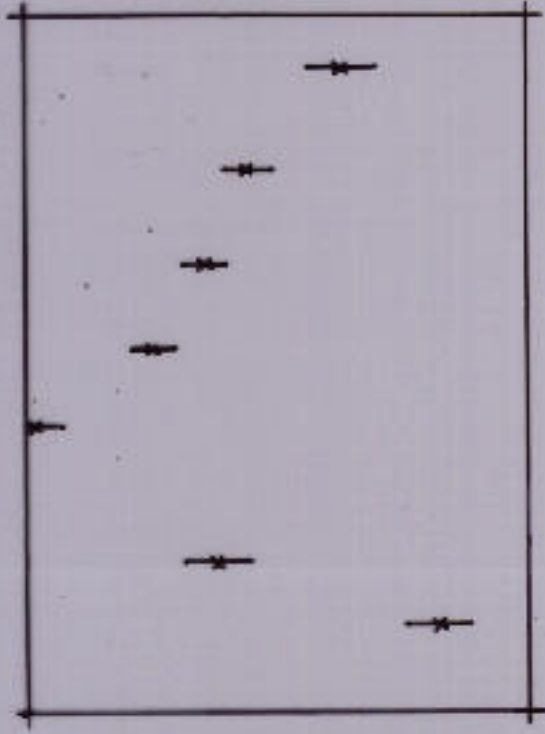


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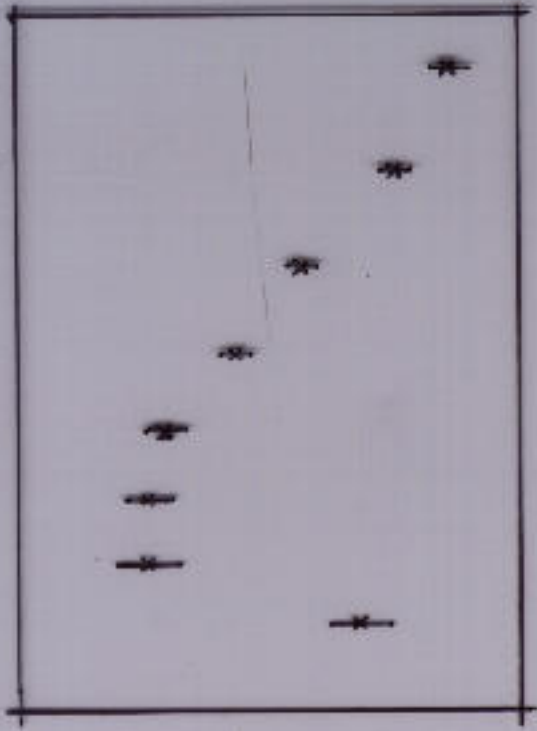




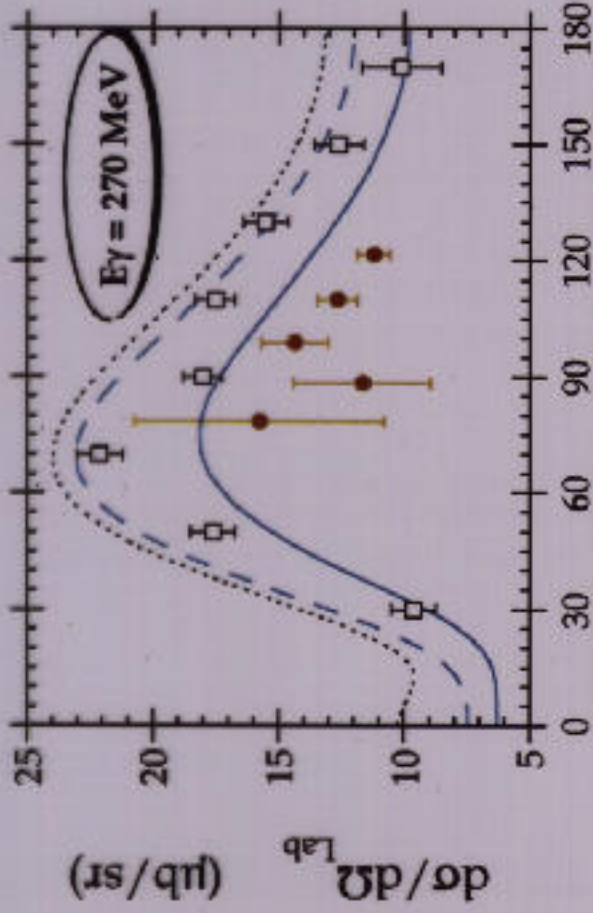
x DESY  $\rightarrow n(\nu, \bar{\nu}^* p)$



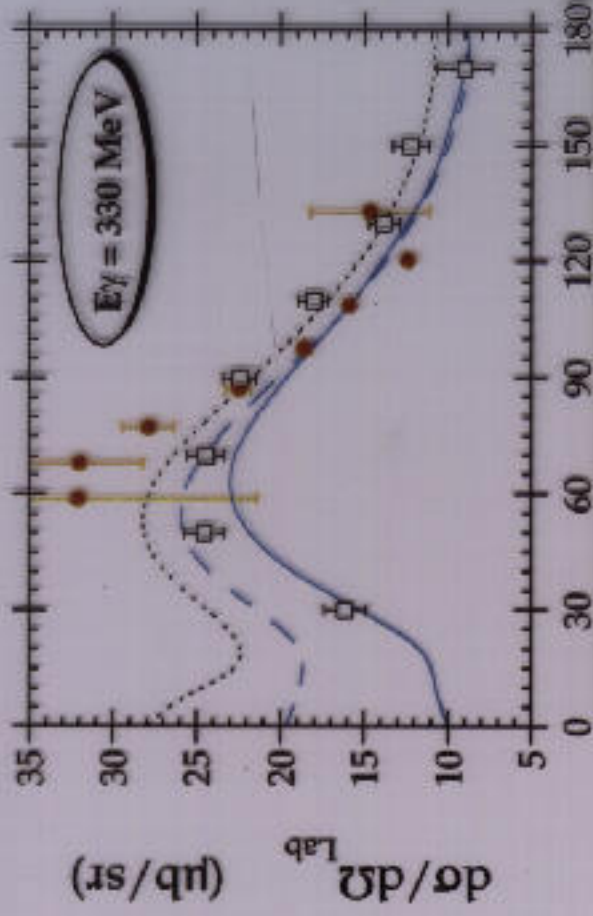
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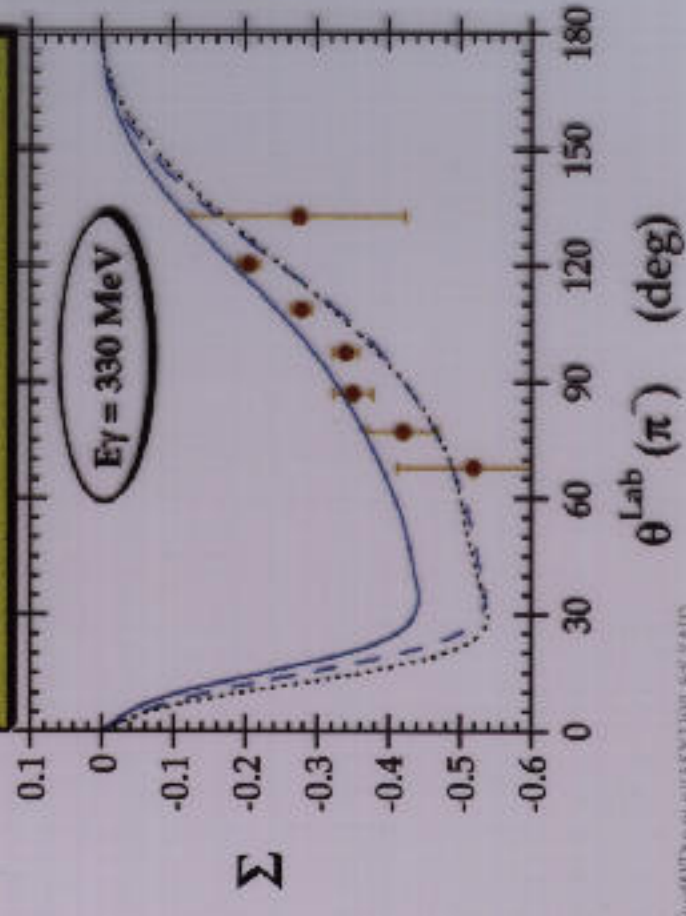
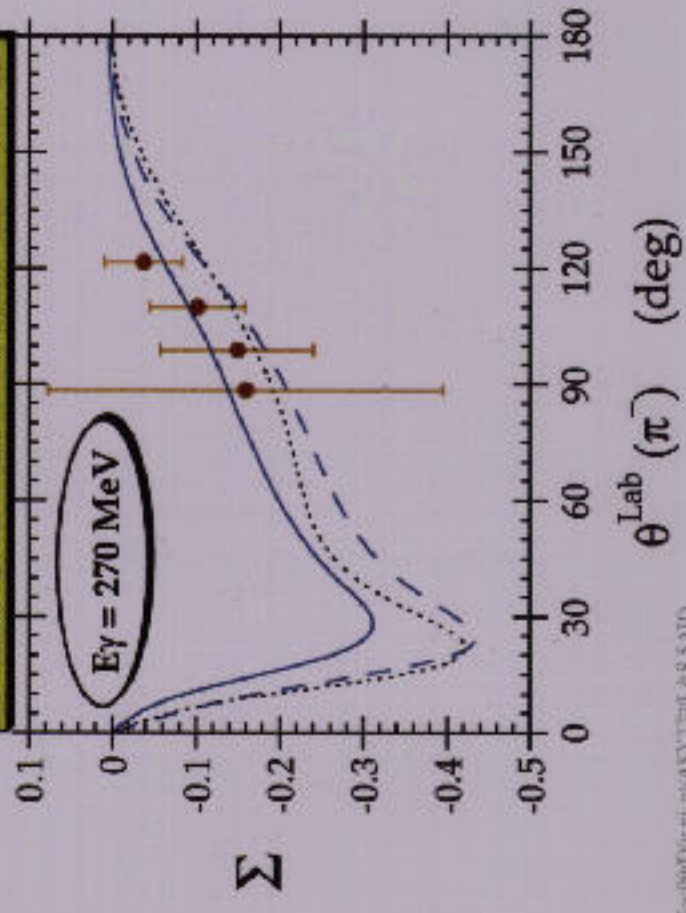




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## Conclusions:

$d(\gamma, \pi^0)X$  LEGS and  $d(\gamma, \pi^0)X$  Mainz consistent

Sum of LEGS exclusive (Preliminary) and Mainz incoherent consistent

## Exclusive $\pi^0$ channels:

$d(\vec{\gamma}, \pi^0 p)$  and  $d(\vec{\gamma}, \pi^0 n)$  are dramatically different than free  $p(\vec{\gamma}, \pi^0 p)$  and  $n(\vec{\gamma}, \pi^0 n)$  and still different from full 3-body calculations

Smaller but significant deviations in Asymmetries between  $p \pi^0$  data and both the full 3-body calculation and the free asymmetry

## Exclusive $p\pi^-$ channels:

Difference from free calculations

Better agreement w/full 3-body

POTENTIAL SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON NEUTRON MULTIPLES

Extraction of free-neutron observables will require strong theoretical support

Wonderful opportunity for intense collaboration between theory and experiment!