Extraction of the $\pi^+\pi^-$ Subsystem in Diffractively Produced $\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$ at COMPASS

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The COMPASS experiment





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Narrow bins in m_{X⁻} = m_{3π}:
 No assumptions on shape of X⁻







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- L: Orbital angular momentum between isobar and bachelor pion



- Intensity $|\mathcal{T}|^2$ plotted
- Each point is an independent fit
- Two 3π channels agree nicely







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- Freed isobar PWA: Two-dimensional result: $T_i(m_{3\pi}, m_{\pi^+\pi^-})$
- First analysis: 3 waves with freed isobars:
 - $0^{-+}0^{+}[\pi\pi]_{0^{++}}\pi S$
 - $1^{++}0^+[\pi\pi]_{0^{++}}\pi P$
 - $2^{-+}0^{+}[\pi\pi]_{0^{++}}\pi D$

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- Other waves still with fixed isobar amplitudes: $\rho(770)$, $f_2(1270)$, $\rho_3(1690)$
 - ► In principle also possible for 1⁻⁻, 2⁺⁺, ... isobars

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