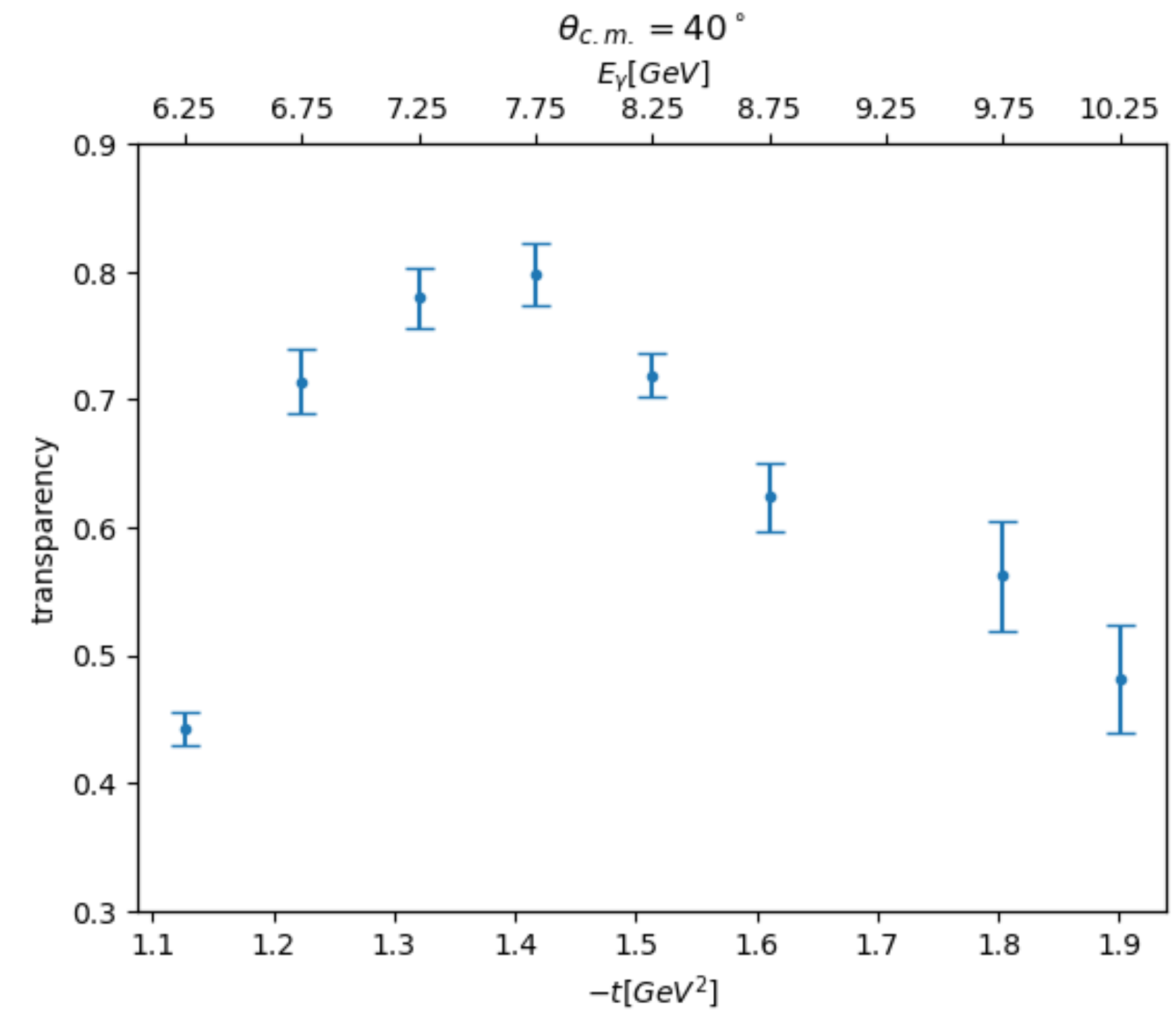
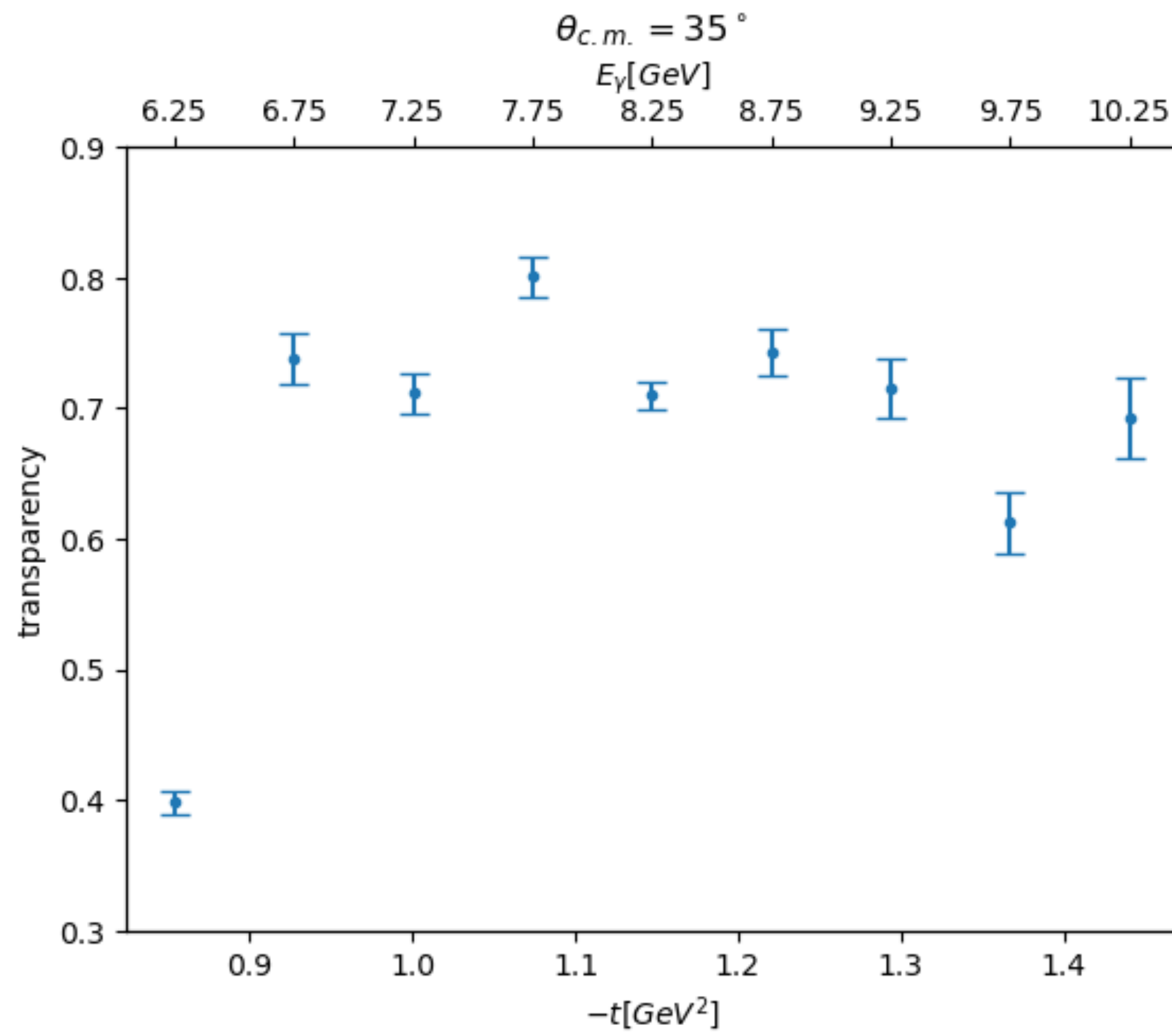


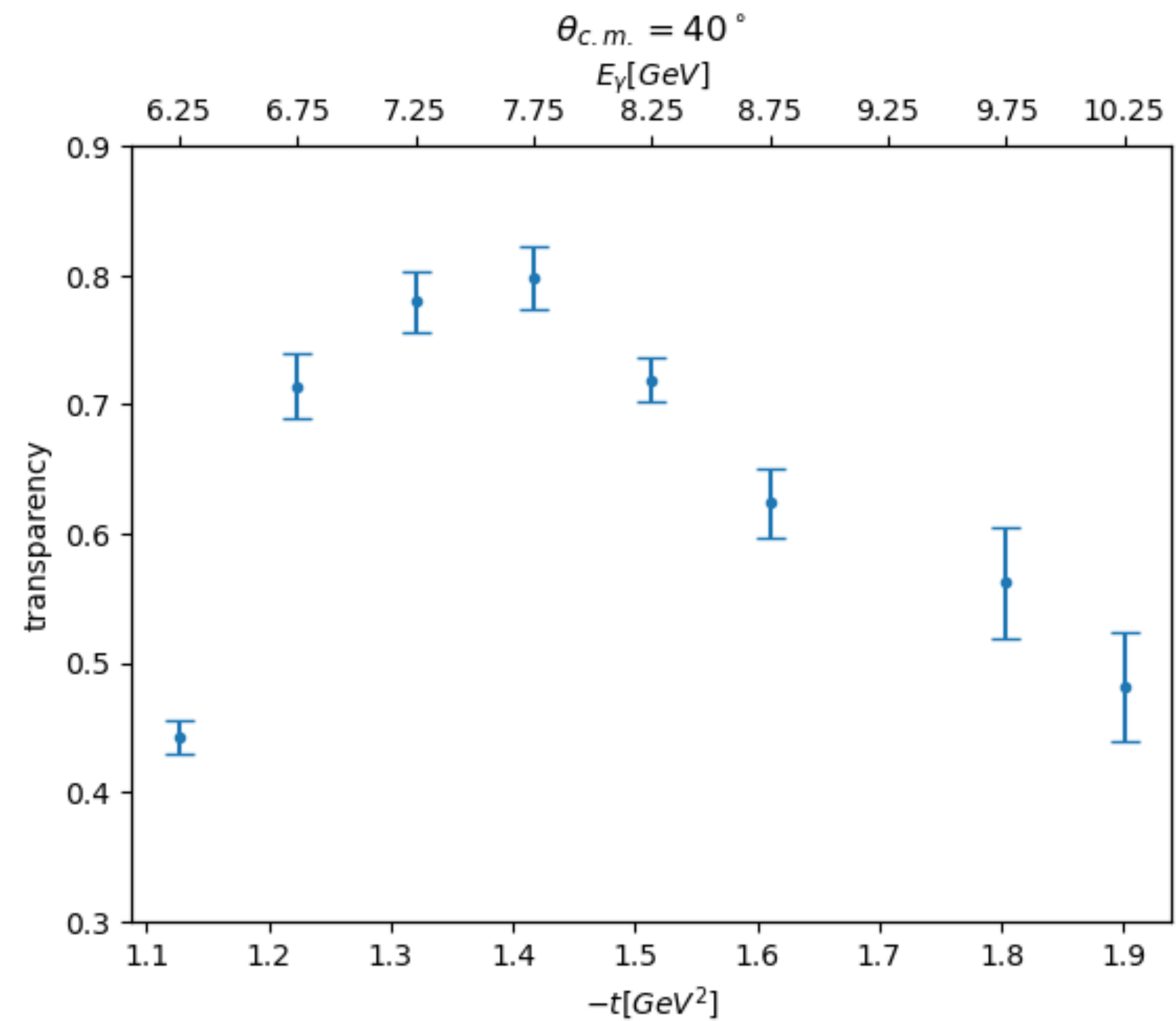
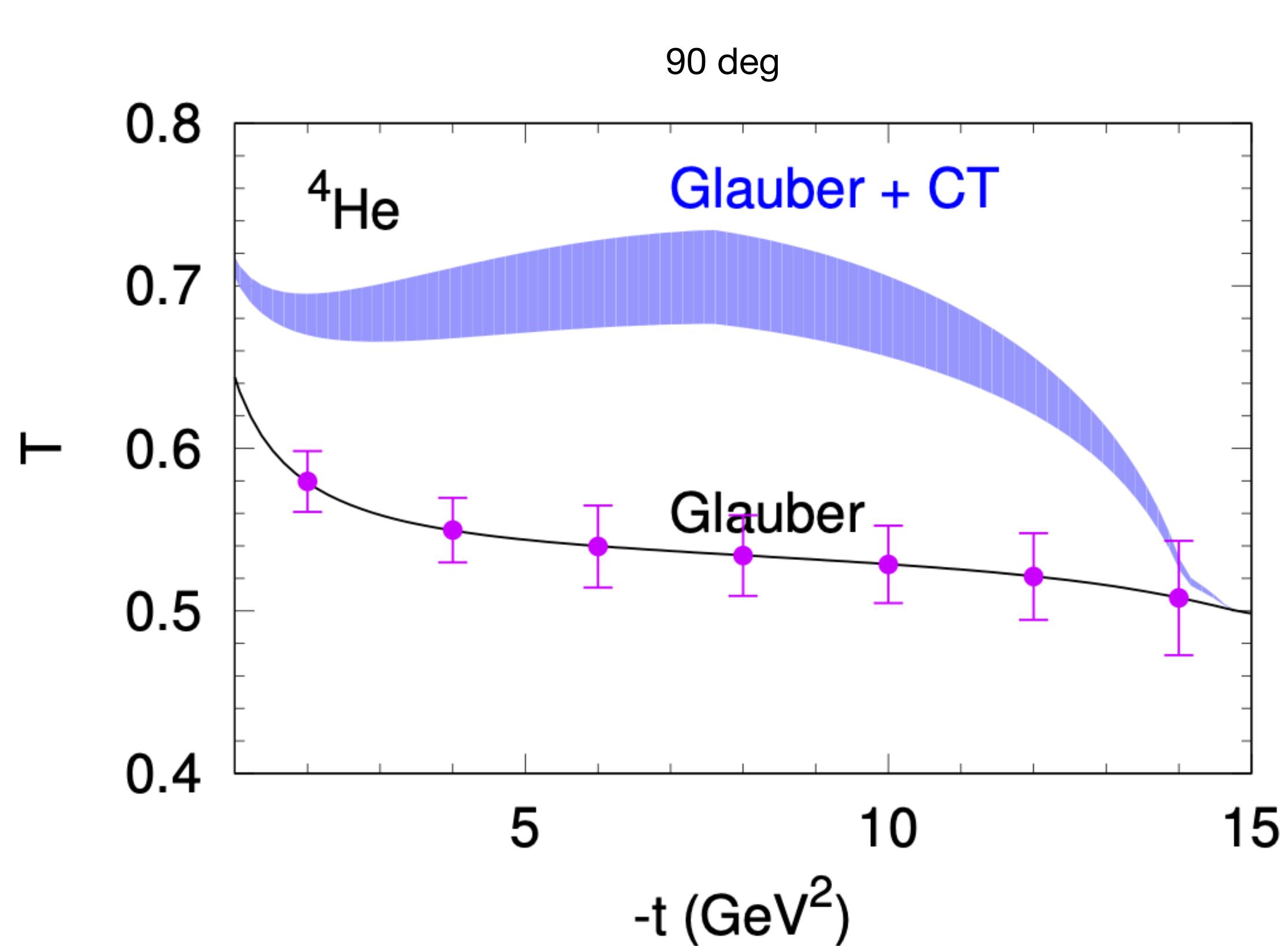
# Nuclear transparency with $\gamma n \rightarrow \pi^- p$ channel

- Transparency on helium at larger angles
- Fitting converged by tweaking the fitting process
- First data point at 6.25 GeV is systematically deviating



# Nuclear transparency with $\gamma n \rightarrow \pi^- p$ channel

- Compared with theoretical calculations in the proposal

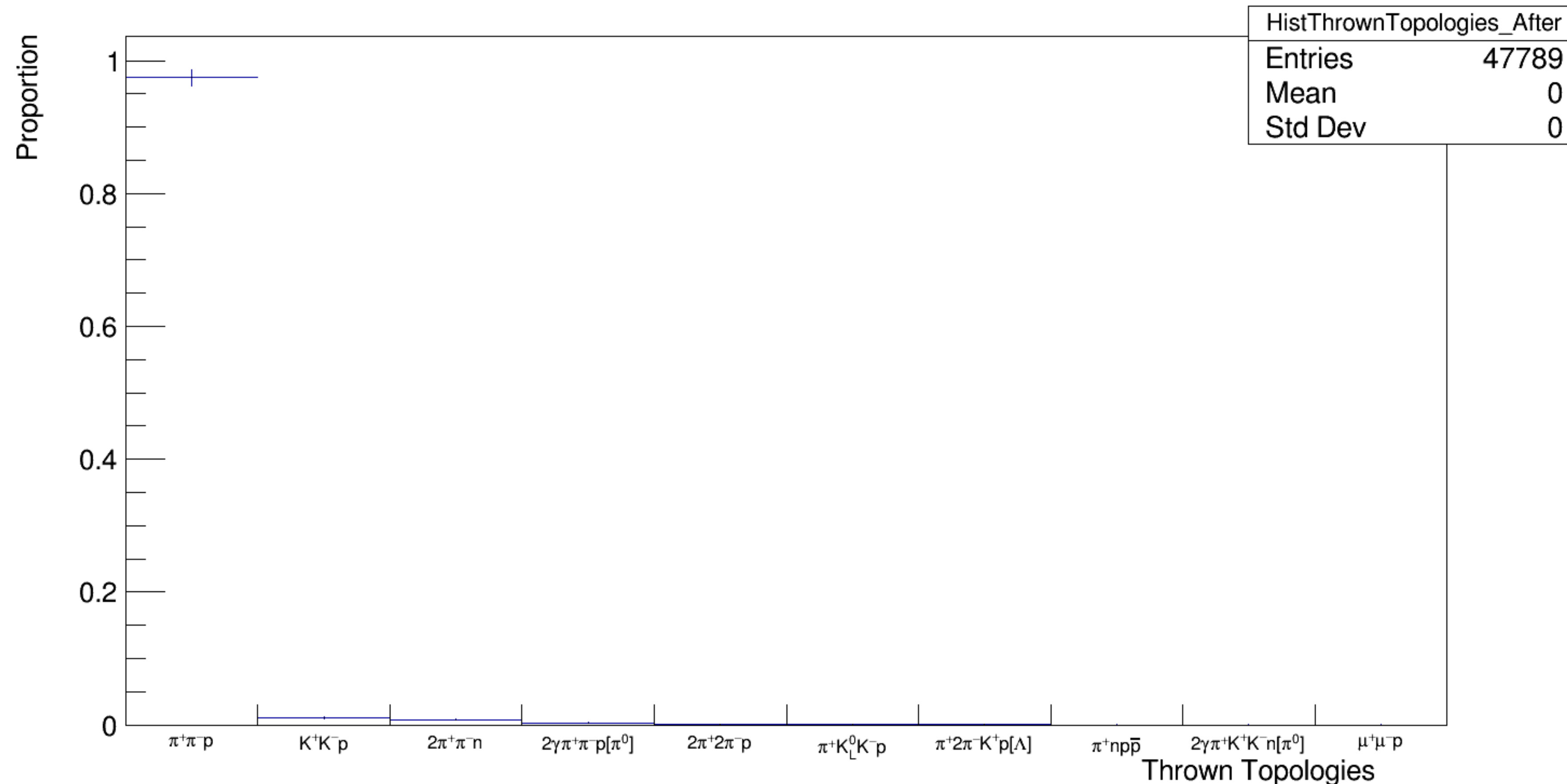


# Background simulation study

- Bggen event generator from GlueX simulation package
- Simulation of photoproduction of hadronic background based on Pythia
- Simulated events processed with the same cuts as the data
- Currently showing simulation on protons in He-4

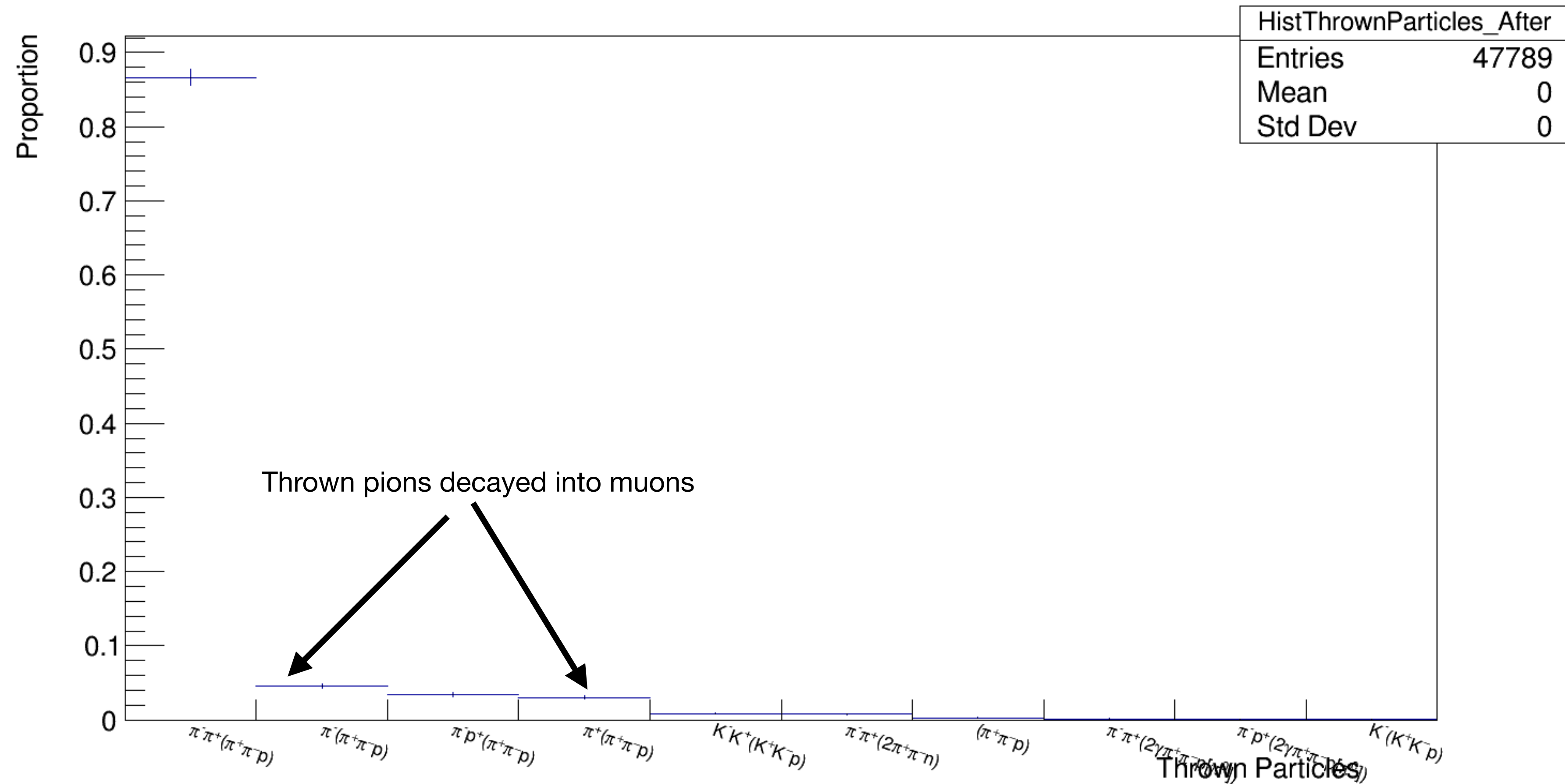
# Thrown topology of survived events

- Signal channel is  $\gamma n \rightarrow \pi^- p$
- Dominant background is  $\gamma p \rightarrow \rho^0 p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- p$



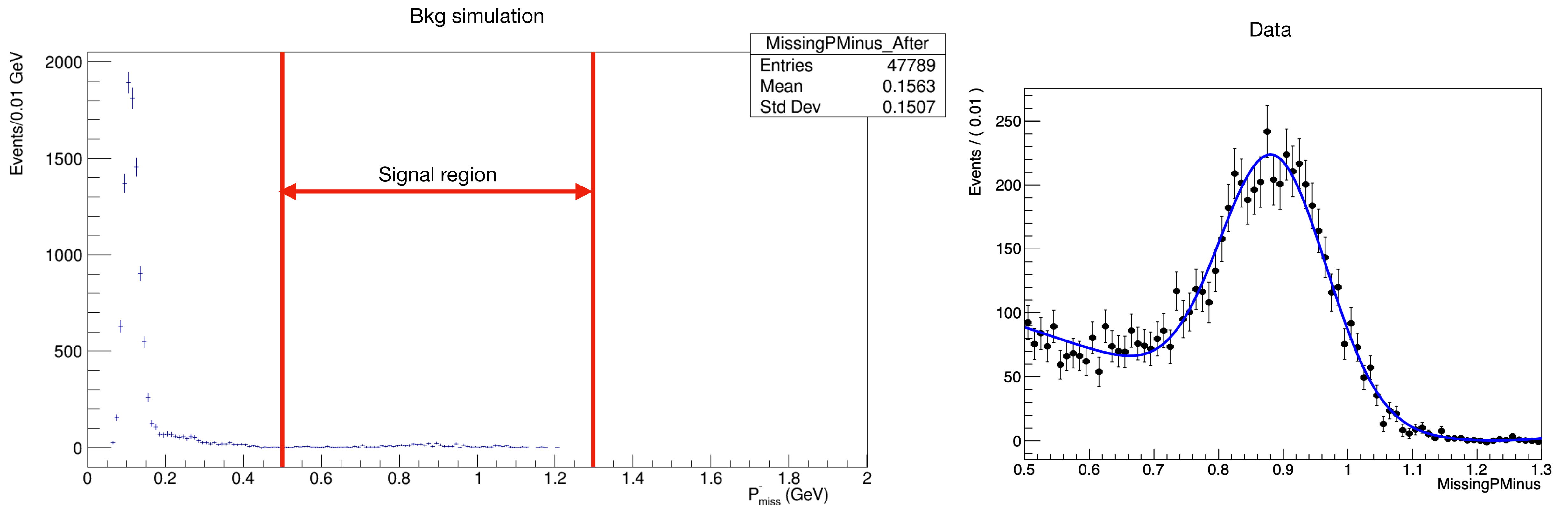
# Thrown PID of survived events

- Misidentification of  $\pi^+$  as  $p$  dominates
- Spectator  $p$  goes undetected



# Distribution of the observable $P_{miss}^-$

- Contributes to the background tail in the signal region
- Simulated events are dominantly in the low  $t$  region



# Invariant mass with $\pi^- \pi^+$ hypotheses

- Peaked around  $m_{\rho^0} = 775$  MeV

