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JOINT INT/JLAB WORKSHOP ON

Nuclear Structure & Dynamics

at SHORT DISTANCES



Probing Protons in Asymmetric Nuclei

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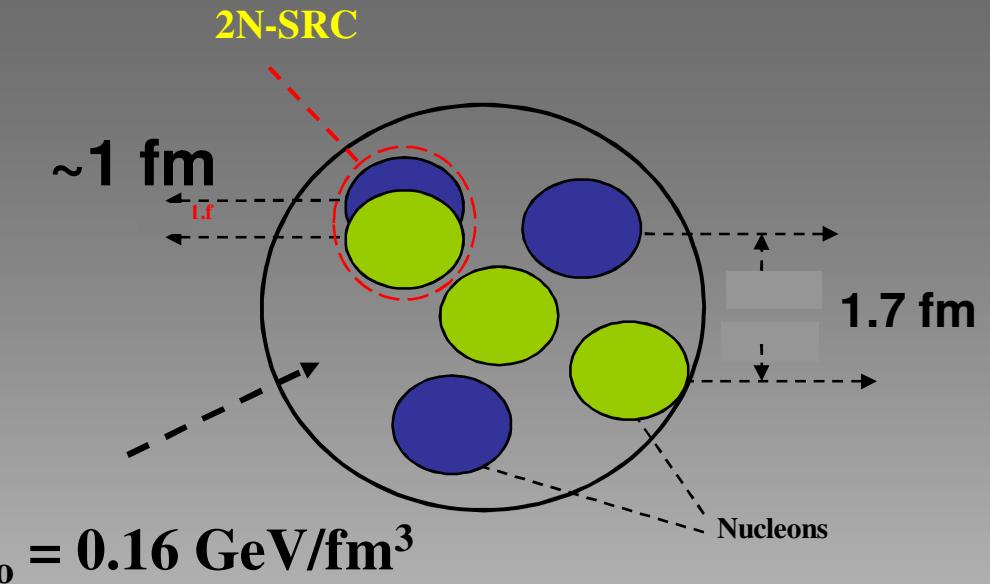
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What are 2N-SRC in nuclei ?

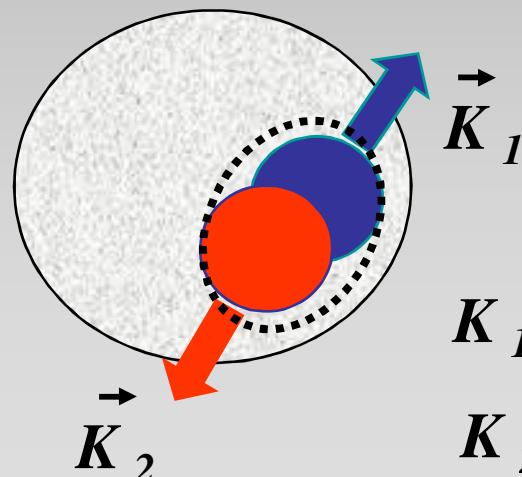


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In coordinate space:



In momentum space:



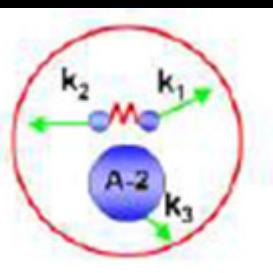
large relative momentum
small CM momentum.

$$\vec{K}_1 \approx \vec{K}_2 \\ K_1 > K_F, \\ K_2 > K_F \quad K_F \sim 250 \text{ MeV}/c$$

Triple – coincidence measurements:



Incident
H.E. projectile



Recoil
correlated partner

Scattered
projectile

Knock-out
nucleon



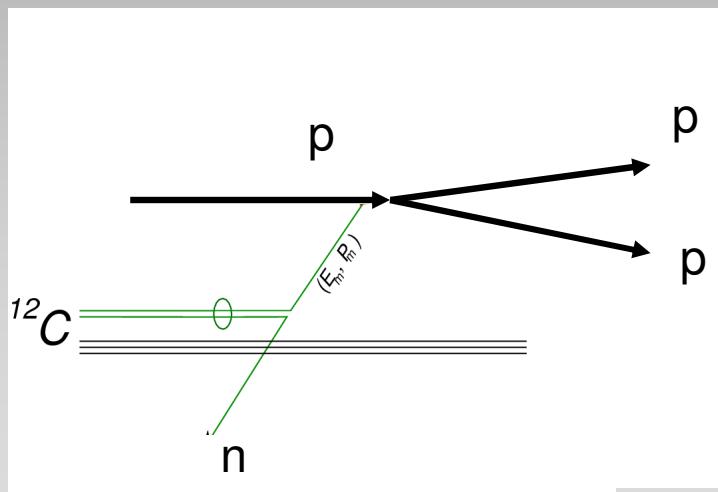
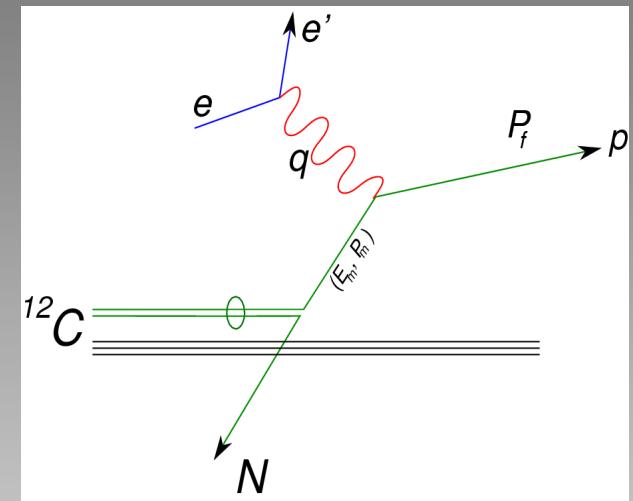
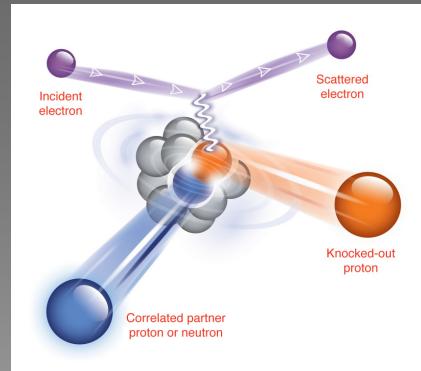
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Triple – coincidence measurements:



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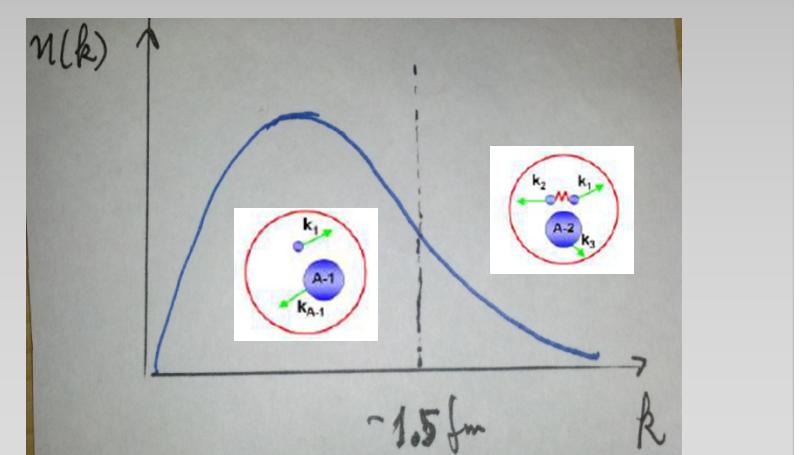
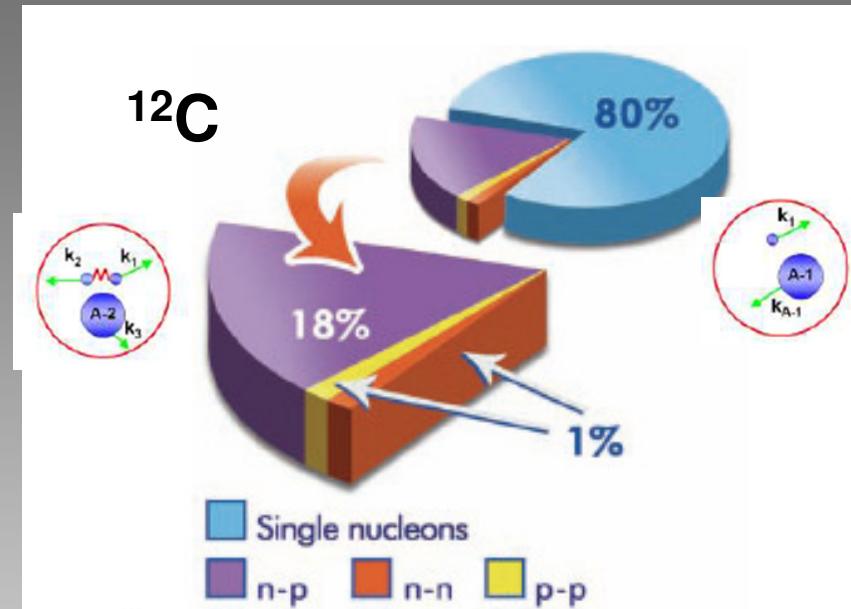
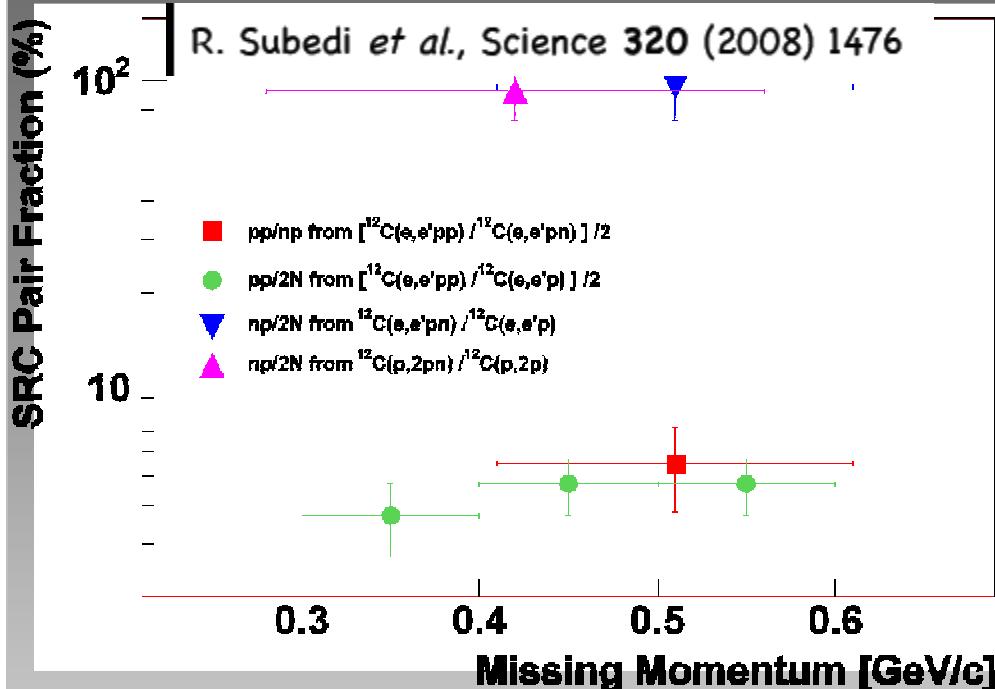
(4-5 GeV electron)



EVA / BNL

(6-10 GeV/c protons)

Triple Coincident $^{12}\text{C}(\text{p},\text{ppn})$, $^{12}\text{C}(\text{e},\text{e}'\text{pp})$, $^{12}\text{C}(\text{e},\text{e}'\text{pn})$



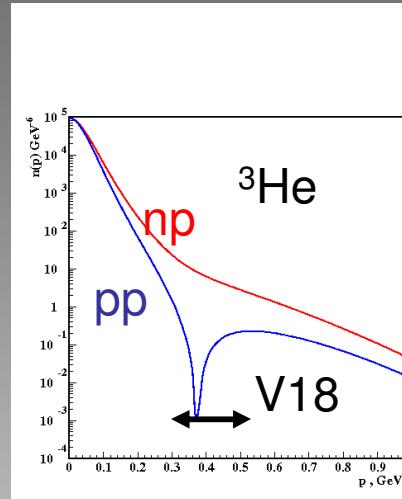
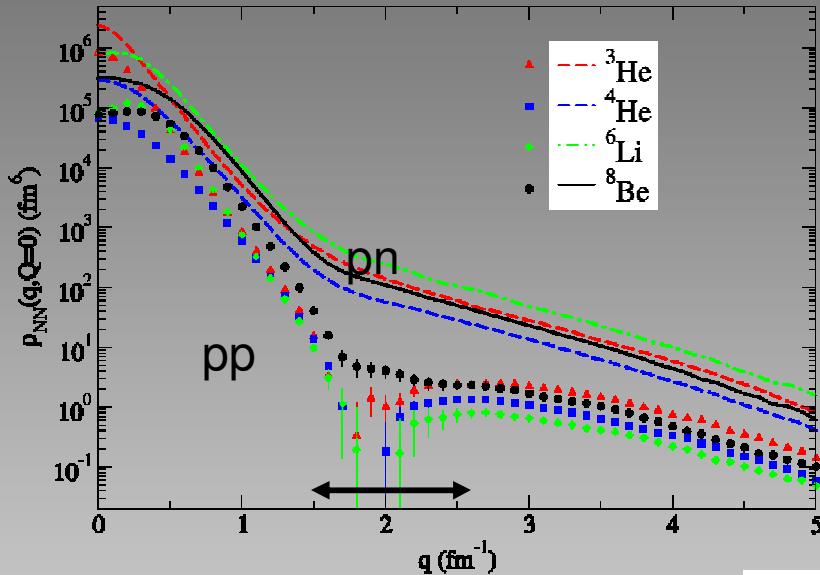
More than ~90% of all nucleons with momentum $\geq 300 \text{ MeV} / c$ belong to 2N-SRC.

Probability for a nucleon with momentum 300-600 MeV / c to belong to np-SRC is ~18 times larger than to belong to pp-SRC.

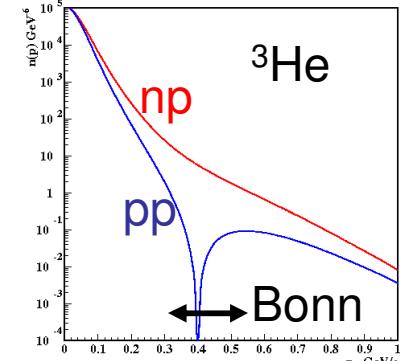


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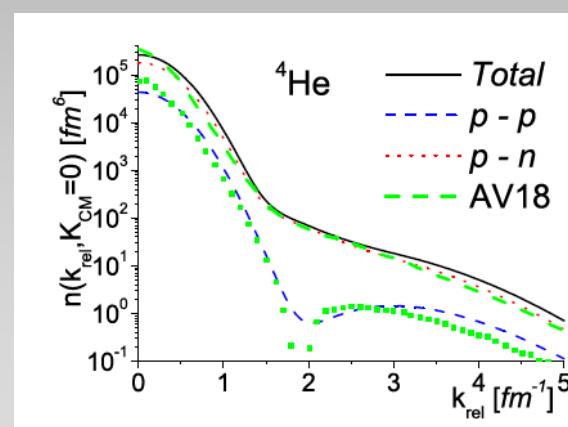
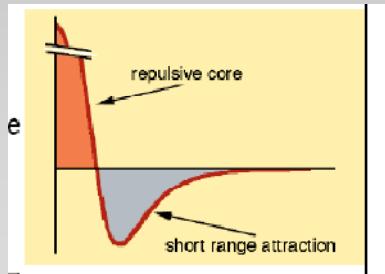
At 300-600 MeV/c there is an excess strength in the np momentum distribution due to the strong correlations induced by the tensor NN potential.



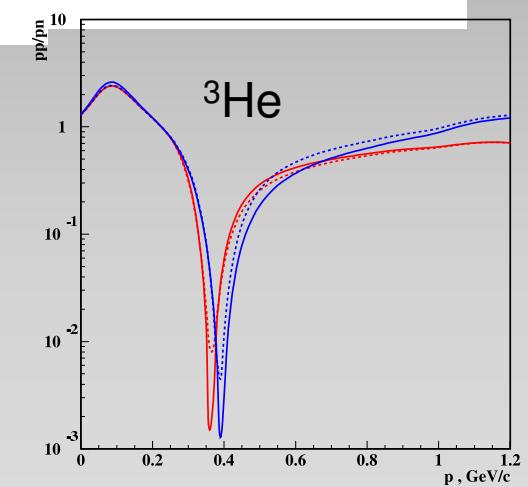
pp/np



Schiavilla, Wiringa, Pieper,
Carson, PRL 98,132501 (2007).

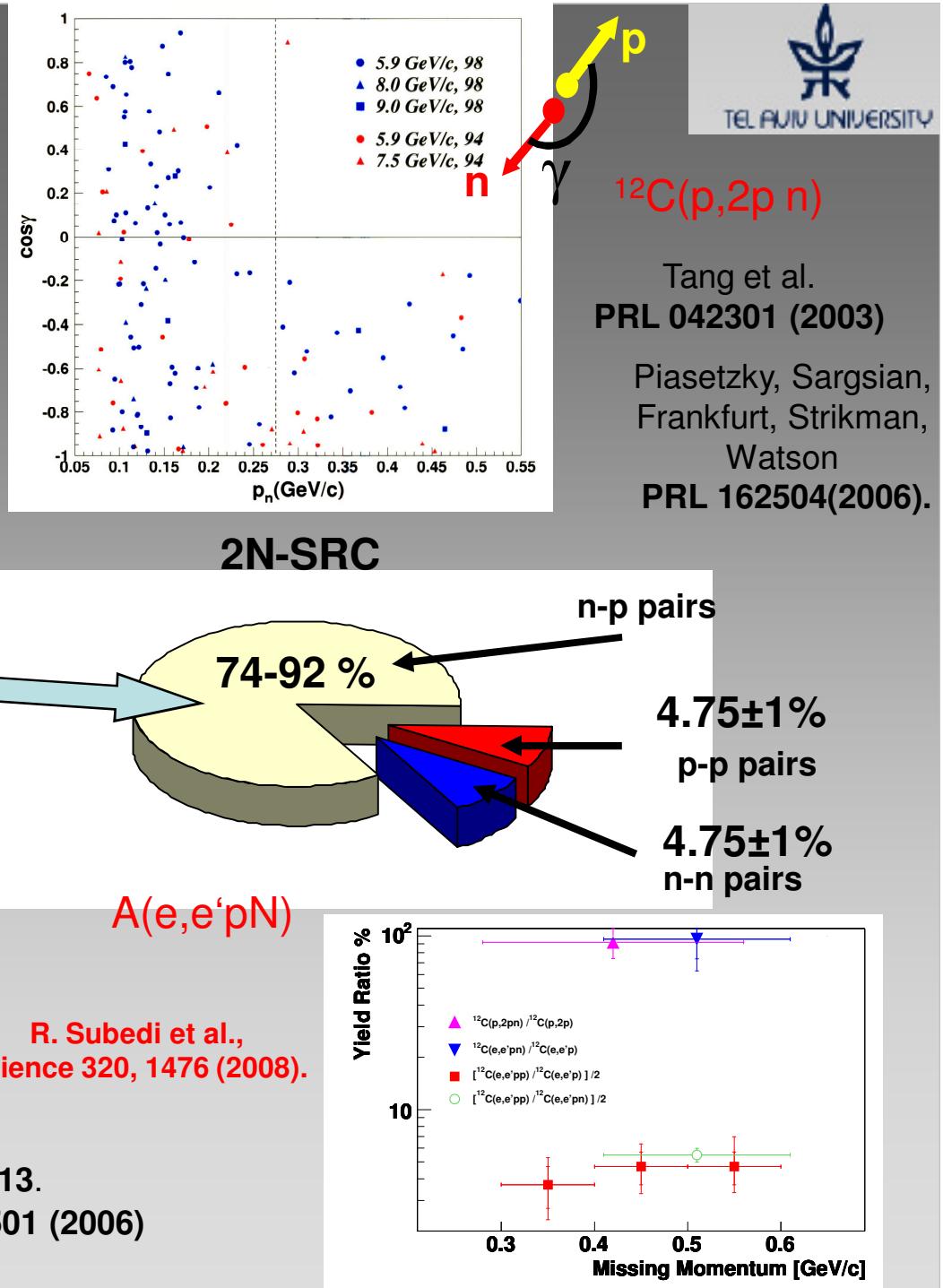
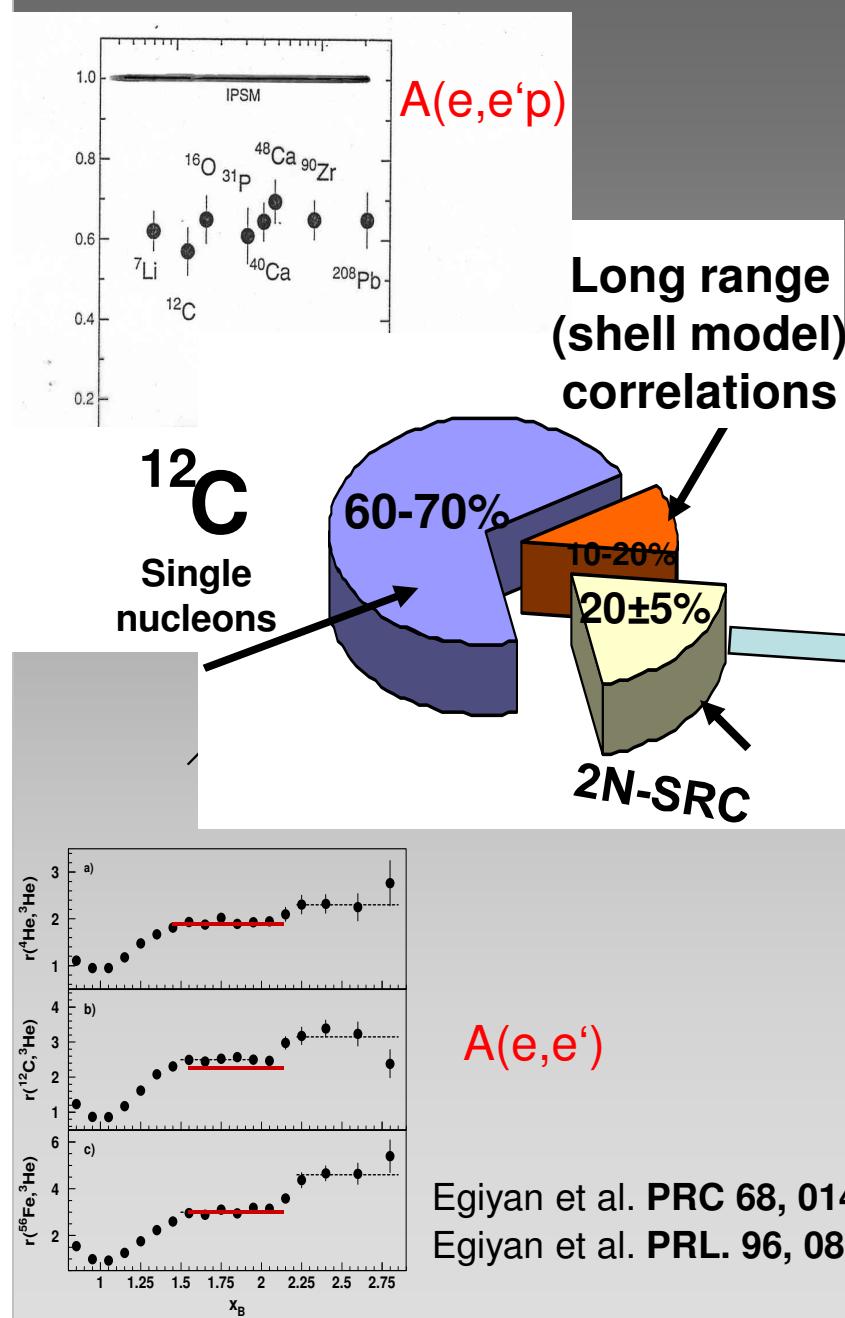


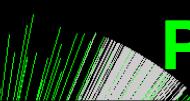
Ciofi and Alvioli
PRL 100, 162503 (2008).



Sargsian, Abrahamyan, Strikman,
Frankfurt PR C71 044615 (2005).

Summary of Results



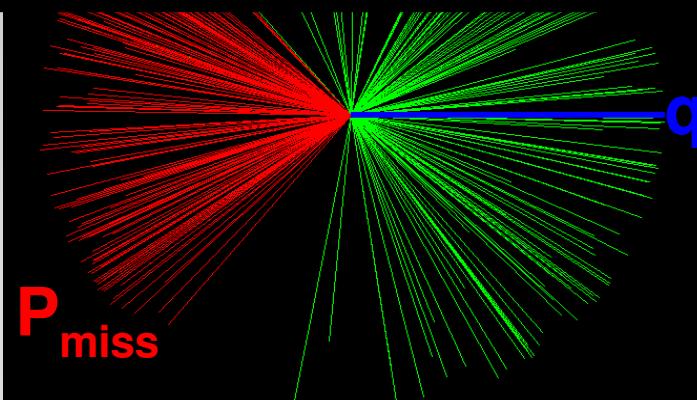
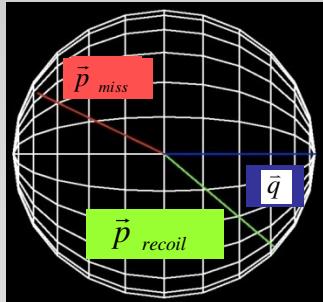
$^{12}\text{C}(\text{e}, \text{e}'\text{pp})$  $\mathbf{P}_{\text{recoil}}$

$^{56}\text{Fe}(\text{e}, \text{e}'\text{pp})$  \mathbf{P}_{coil}

Universality:

Identified triple coincidence SRC pairs in:

\mathbf{P} ($^{3}\text{He},$) $^{4}\text{He},$ $^{12}\text{C},$ $^{27}\text{Al},$ $^{56}\text{Fe},$ and ^{208}Pb



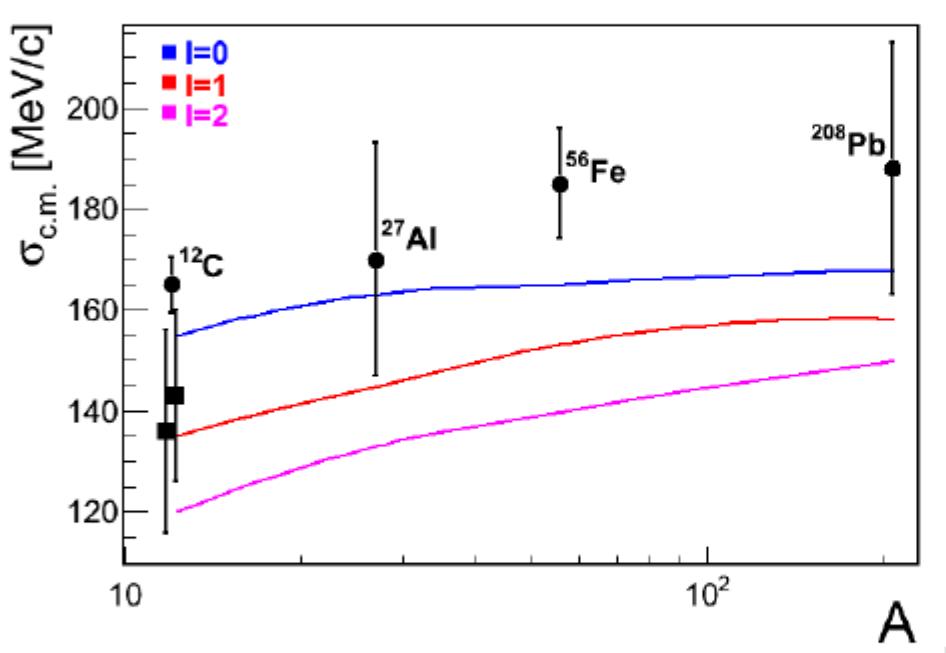
pp-SRC events

$E_{\text{in}} = 5.014 \text{ GeV}$

$Q^2 > 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ $X > 1.2$

C.m. motion of correlated pp pairs

DATA IS PRELIMINARY! (COURTESY OF O. HEN AND E. PIASETZKY)



- analysis of exclusive $A(e, e'pp)$ for ^{12}C , ^{27}Al , ^{56}Fe , ^{208}Pb
- distribution of events against P is fairly Gaussian
- $\sigma_{c.m.}$: Gaussian widths from a fit to measured c.m. distributions
- theory lines: Gaussian fits to computed c.m. distributions for $I = 0, 1, 2$

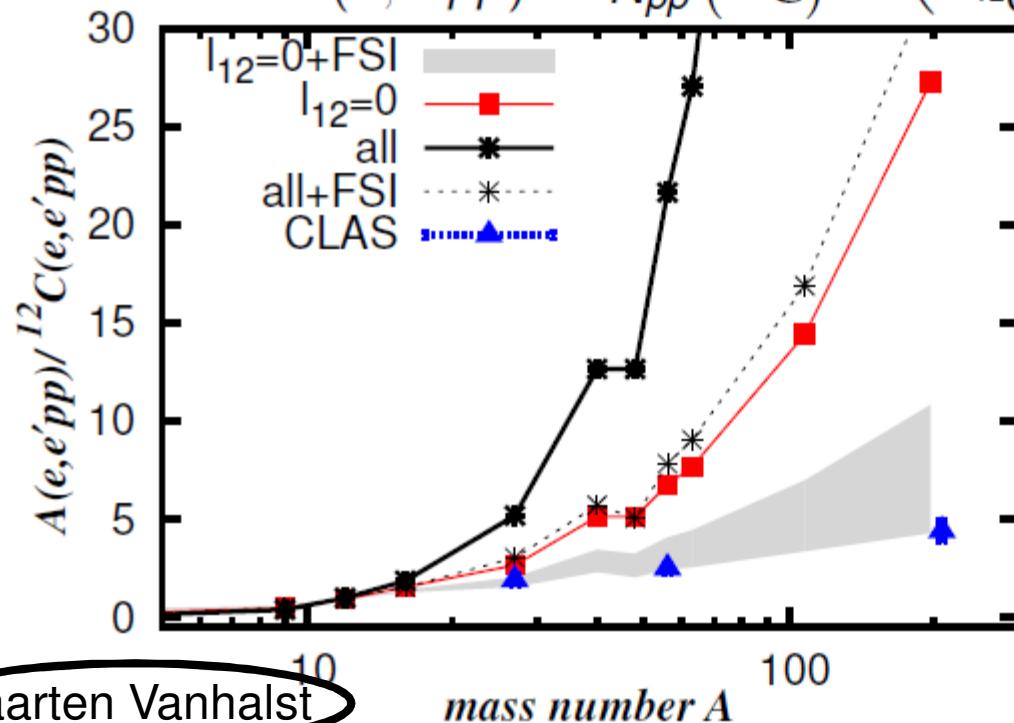
More on the $A(e, e'pp)$ results from CLAS Data Mining: O. Hen (Expt), M. Vanhalst (MC simulations) (Wed, Feb. 20)

Mass dependence of the $A(e, e'pp)$ cross sections

PREDICTION: A dependence of $A(e, e'pp)$ c.s. is soft

(much softer than predicted by naive $Z(Z - 1)$ counting)

$$\frac{A(e, e'pp)}{{}^{12}\text{C}(e, e'pp)} \approx \frac{N_{pp}(A)}{N_{pp}({}^{12}\text{C})} \times \left(\frac{T_A(e, e'p)}{T_{{}^{12}\text{C}}(e, e'p)} \right)^{1-2}$$



PRELIMINARY DATA
(COURTESY OF
O. HEN AND
E. PIASETZKY)
COMPATIBLE WITH
ABSORPTION ON
 $l_{12} = 0$ PAIRS!

For asymmetric ($N>Z$) nuclei:

A direct consequence of np-dominance

Protons move faster than neutrons

Lead, $N=126$, $Z=82$

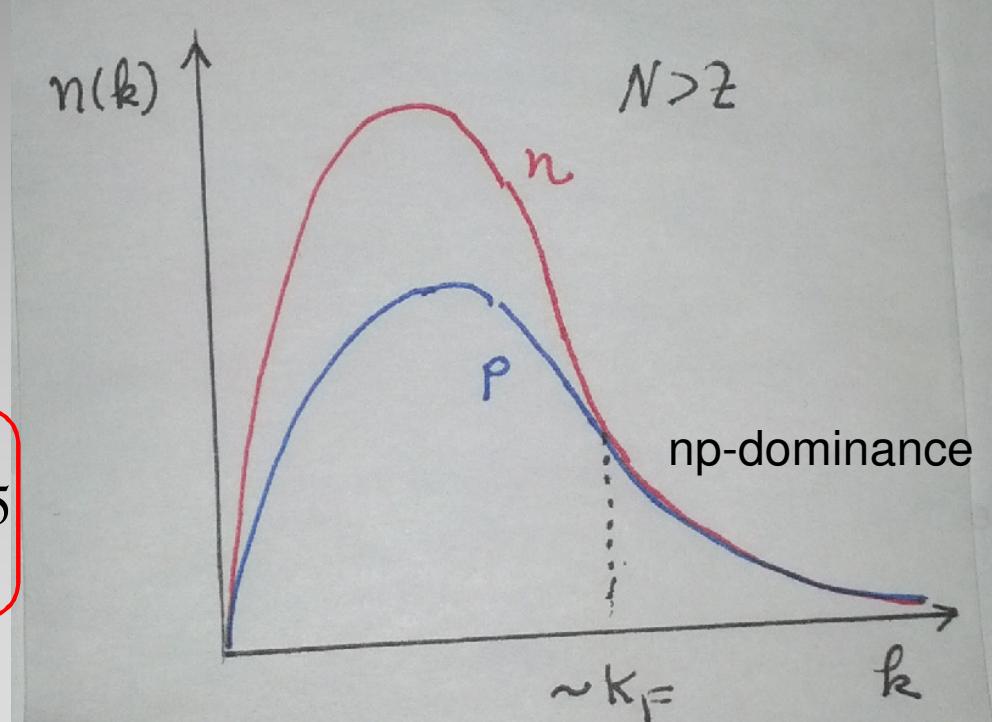
Assuming about (20-25)% of the protons above $k=K_F$

$$R_p \equiv \frac{\# \text{protons} \Big|_{k>K_F}}{\# \text{protons} \Big|_{k<K_F}} \approx \frac{16}{82-16} \approx 0.25$$

$$R_n \equiv \frac{\# \text{neutrons} \Big|_{k>K_F}}{\# \text{neutrons} \Big|_{k<K_F}} \approx \frac{16}{126-16} \approx 0.15$$

$$\frac{R_p}{R_n} \approx \frac{0.25}{0.15} \approx 1.7$$

$$\langle k_p \rangle > \langle k_n \rangle \quad \langle T_p \rangle > \langle T_n \rangle$$



See talk by Misak Sargsian

How to check this hypothesis experimentally ?



Problem: One body momentum distributions are not observables.

1) Define proxy which is :

Reflect well the difference between proton and neutron momentum distributions .

Can be well determined experimentally

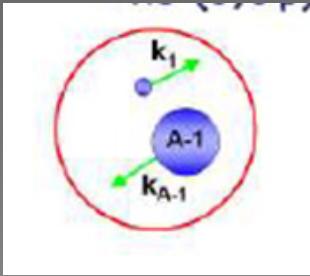
2) Compare the experimental observable to calculation.

Semi exclusive one-body knockout reaction



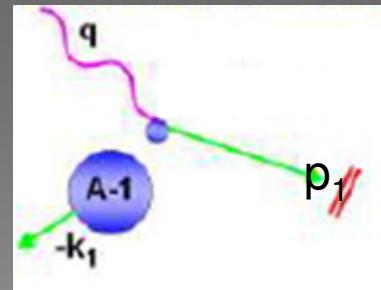
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$$A(e, e' p)$$

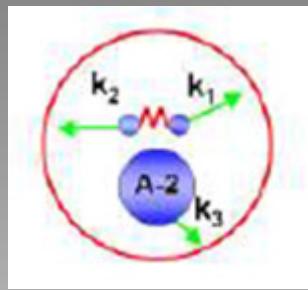


Mean Field:

$$k_1 + k_{A-1} = 0$$



detector

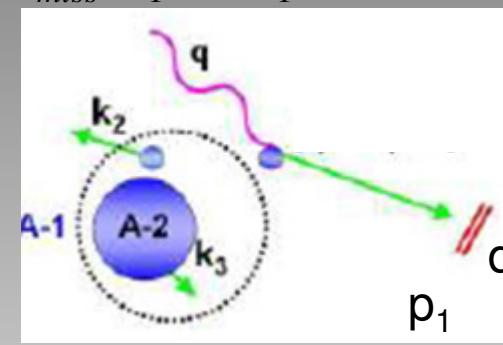


Correlations:

$$k_1 + k_2 + k_3 = 0$$

$$k_2 \simeq -k_1 \quad k_3 \simeq 0$$

$$p_{miss} \equiv p_1 - q \approx k_1$$



detector

$$\frac{\# events(e, e' p) \Big|_{p_{miss} > k_2} \Big|_A}{\# events(e, e' p) \Big|_{p_{miss} < k_1} \Big|_A}$$

$$\sigma(e, e' p) = K \cdot \sigma_{ep} \cdot S(E_{miss}, \vec{p}_{miss}) \cdot T$$

$$k_1 \leq k_F \leq k_2$$

Or even better experimentally:

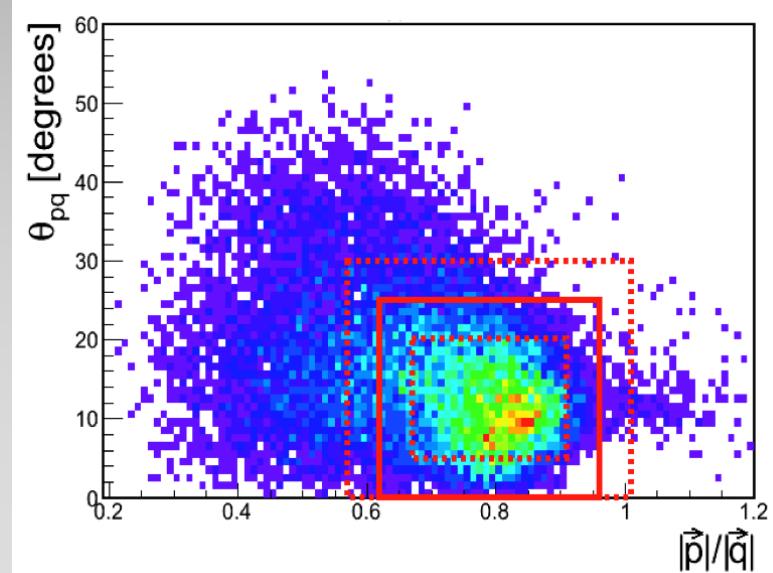
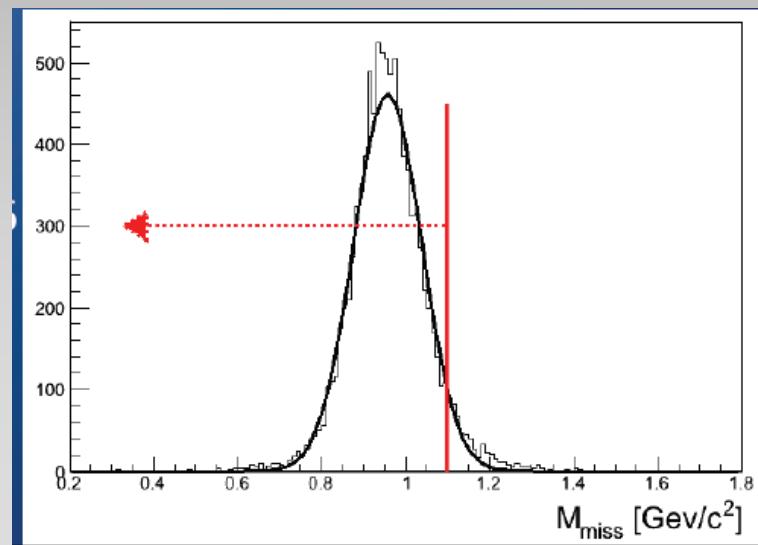
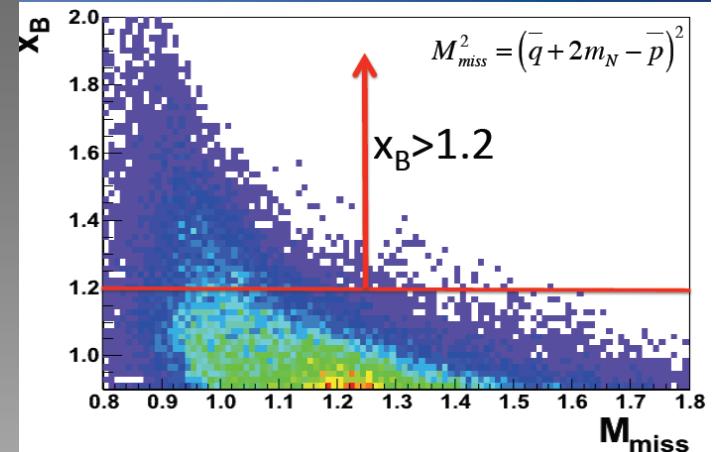
$$\left/ \frac{\# events(e, e' p) \Big|_{p_{miss} > k_2} \Big|_A}{\# events(e, e' p) \Big|_{p_{miss} < k_1} \Big|_A} \right/ \left/ \frac{\# events(e, e' p) \Big|_{p_{miss} > k_2} \Big|_{^{12}C}}{\# events(e, e' p) \Big|_{p_{miss} < k_1} \Big|_{^{12}C}}$$

(e, e' p) SRC event selection



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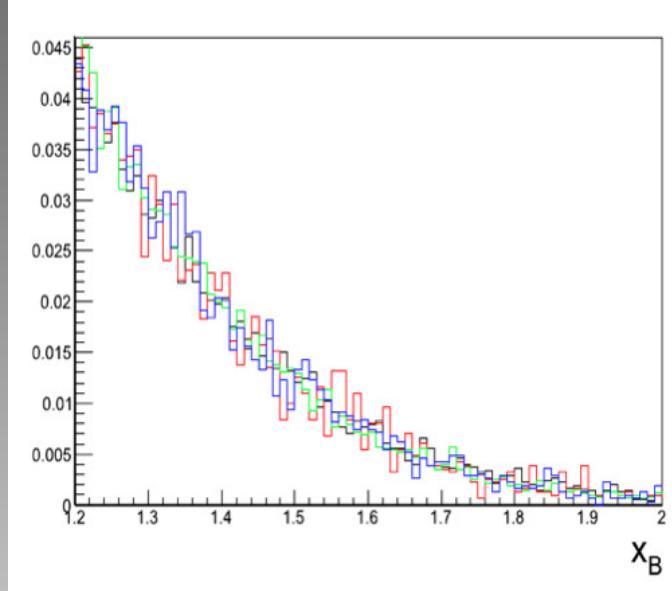
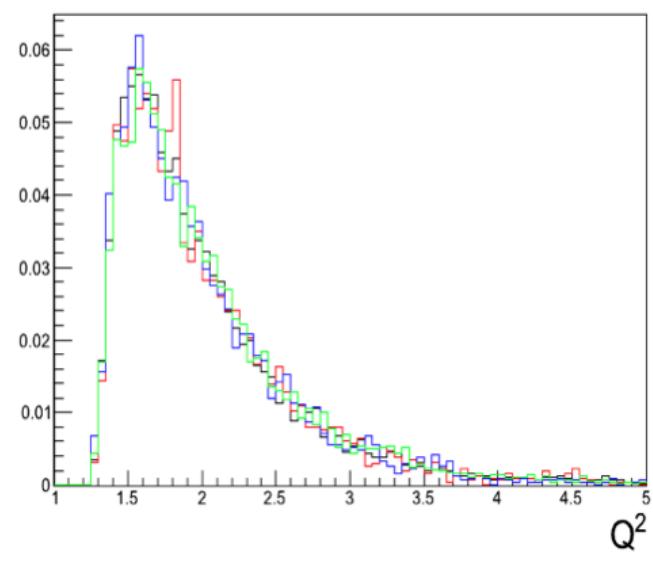
- $x_B > 1.2$
- $300 < |P_{\text{miss}}| < 600 \text{ MeV}/c$
- $\Theta_{pq} < 25^\circ$
- $0.62 < |P|/|q| < 0.96$
- $M_{\text{miss}} < 1.1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



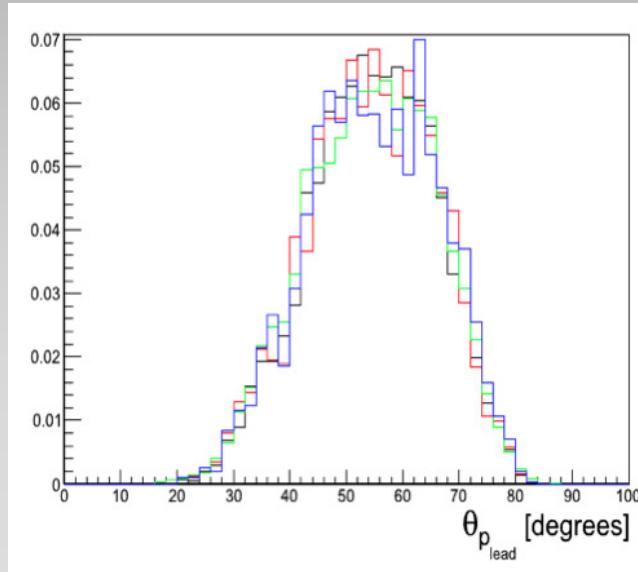
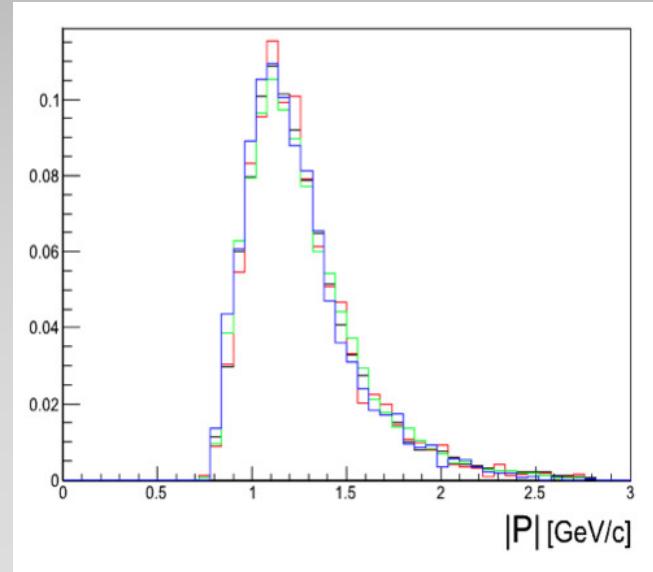
No acceptance correction is required in the supper ratio of A / C



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electrons



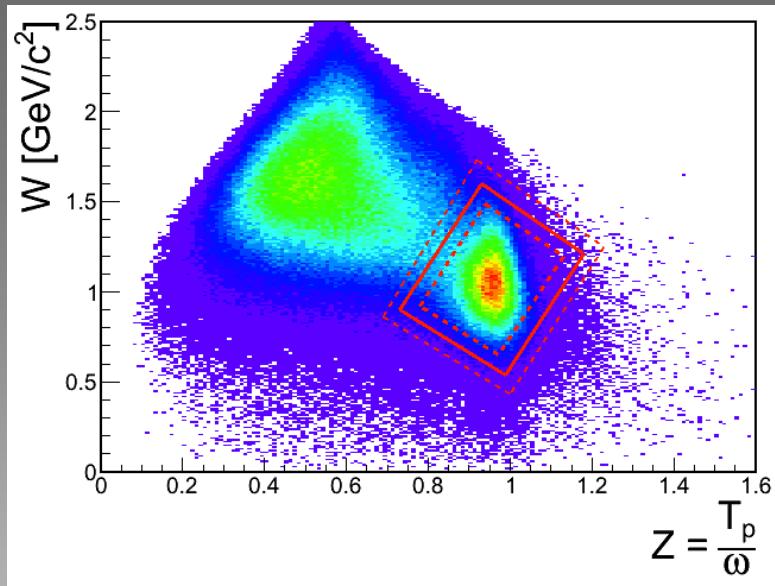
protons

Different color
– different
nuclei – same
acceptance

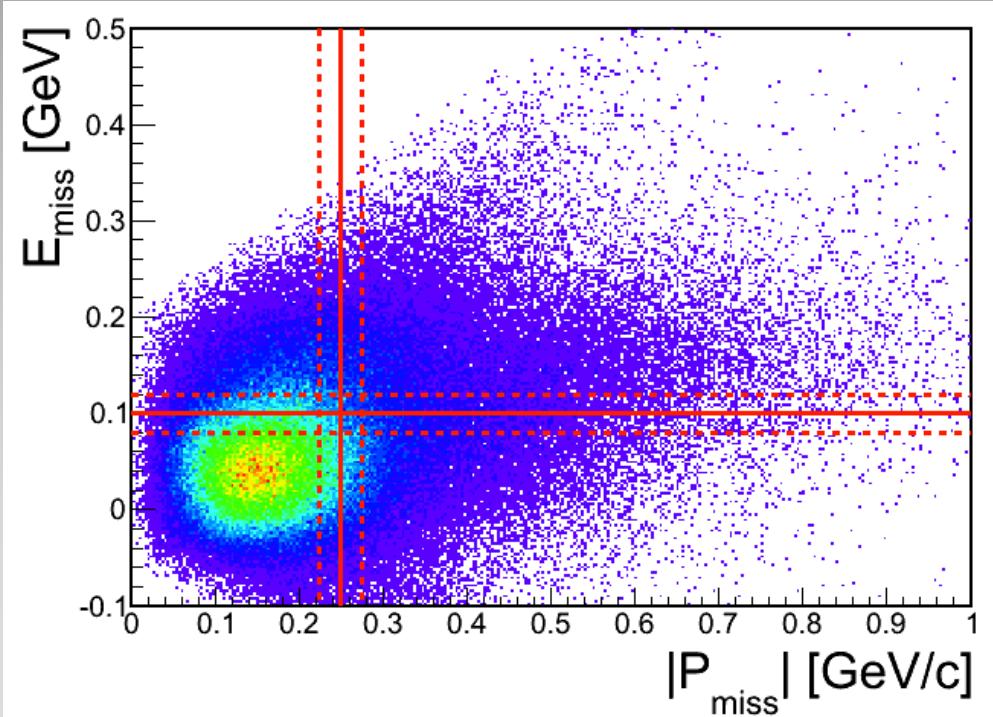
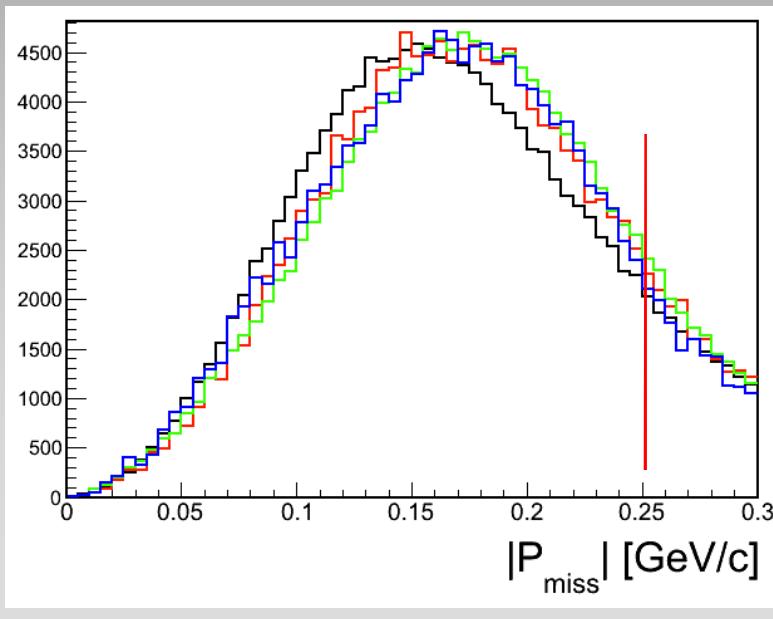
Mean Field (MF) Event selection



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W vs. Z



E_{miss} vs. P_{miss}

Compare the experimental observable to calculations



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$$n_p(k) = \begin{cases} \eta \cdot n_{MF}(k) & k \leq k_0 \\ \frac{a2(A) \cdot n_d(k)}{2 \cdot Z/A} & k \geq k_0 \end{cases}$$

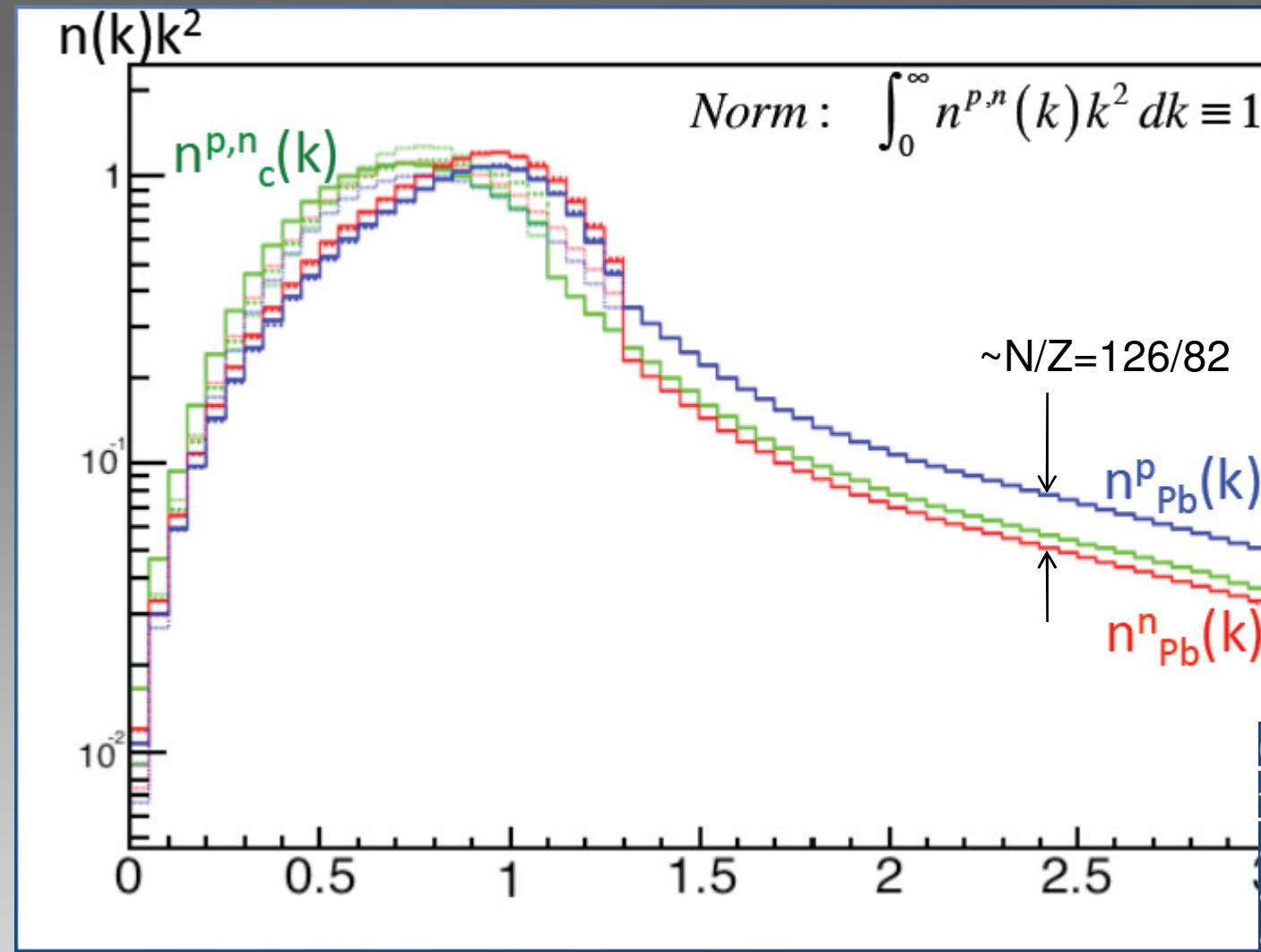
$$n_n(k) = \begin{cases} \eta \cdot n_{MF}(k) & k \leq k_0 \\ \frac{a2(A) \cdot n_d(k)}{2 \cdot N/A} & k \geq k_0 \end{cases}$$

η is determined by requesting:

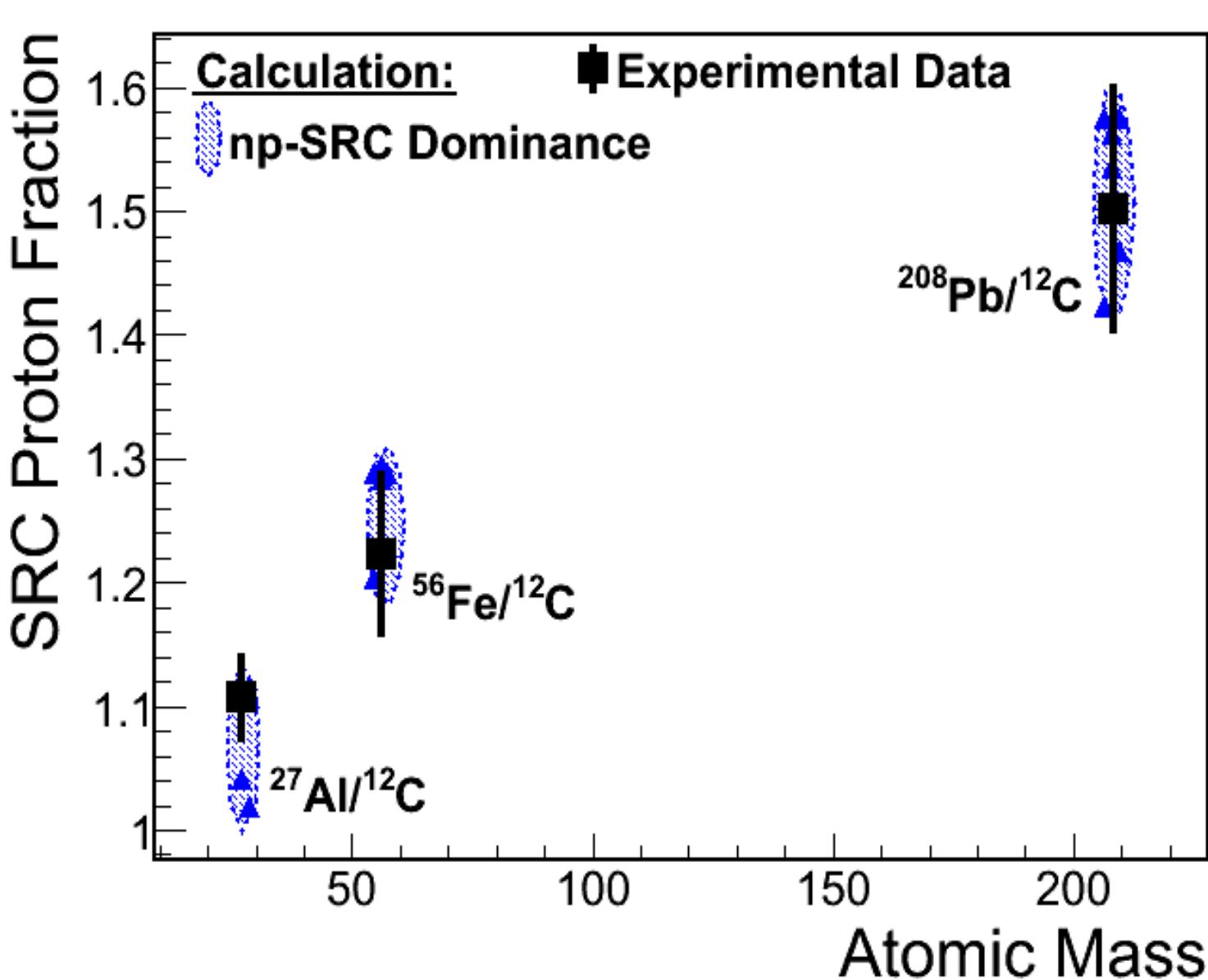
$$\int_0^\infty n(k) k^2 dk = 1$$



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3 models for $n(k)_{MF}$ X 2 SRC / MF change
over points

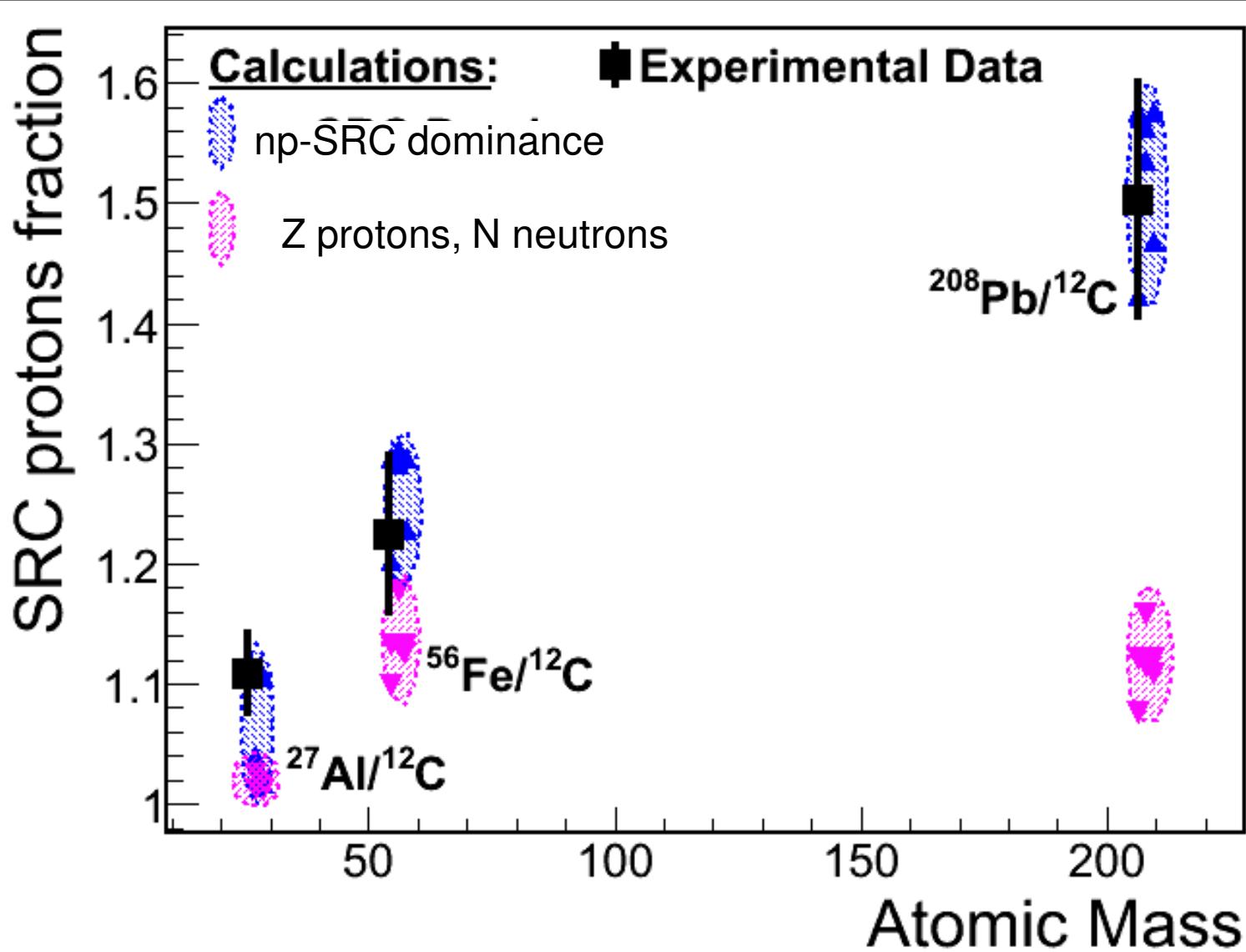


3 models
for $n^{\text{M.F.}}(k)$:

- Ciofi and Simula
- Wood-Saxon
- Serot-Walecka

2 values
for k_0 :

- k_F
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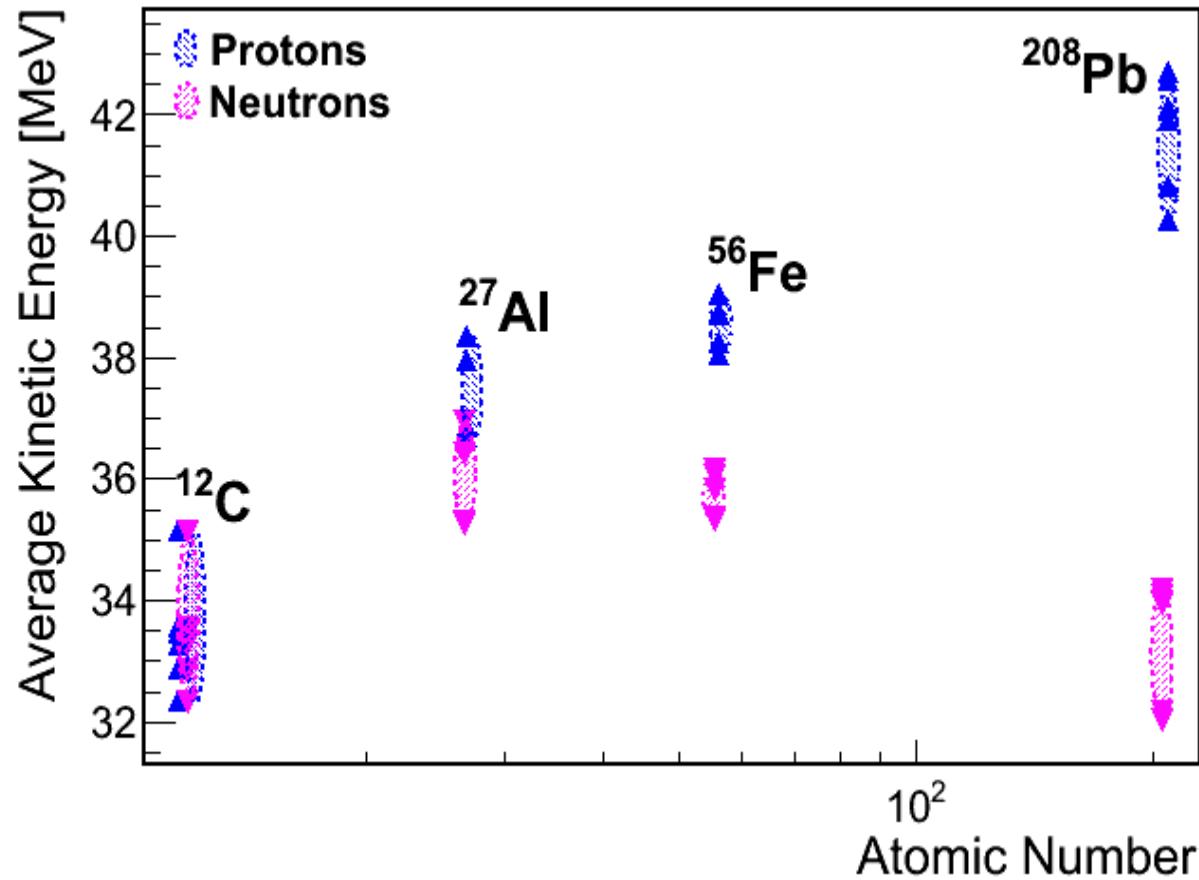


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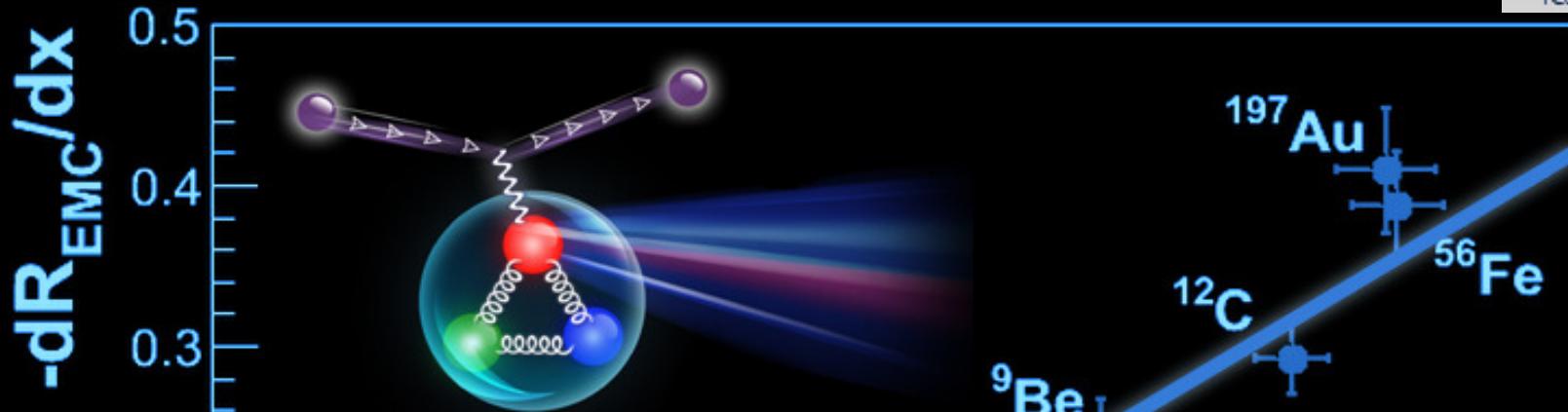
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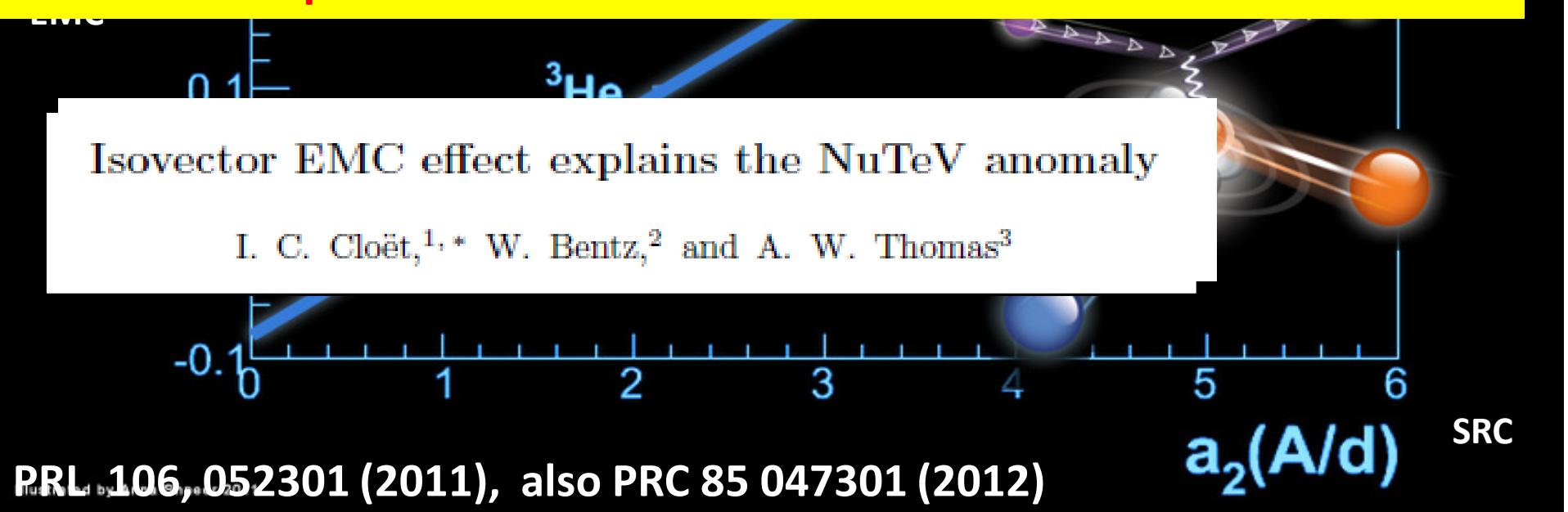
consequences: isospin dependence of the EMC effect



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If the EMC effect is associated with large virtuality ($v = p^2 - m^2$)
A proton will contribute more than a neutron.



Isovector EMC effect explains the NuTeV anomaly

I. C. Cloët,^{1,*} W. Bentz,² and A. W. Thomas³

$$R_{PW} = \frac{\sigma_{NC}^{\nu A} - \sigma_{NC}^{\bar{\nu} A}}{\sigma_{CC}^{\nu A} - \sigma_{CC}^{\bar{\nu} A}}, \quad (1)$$

where A represents the target, NC indicates weak neutral current and CC weak charged current interaction.

$$R_{PW} \xrightarrow{N=Z} \frac{1}{2} - \sin^2 \Theta_W.$$

NuTev collaboration extracted fro iron:

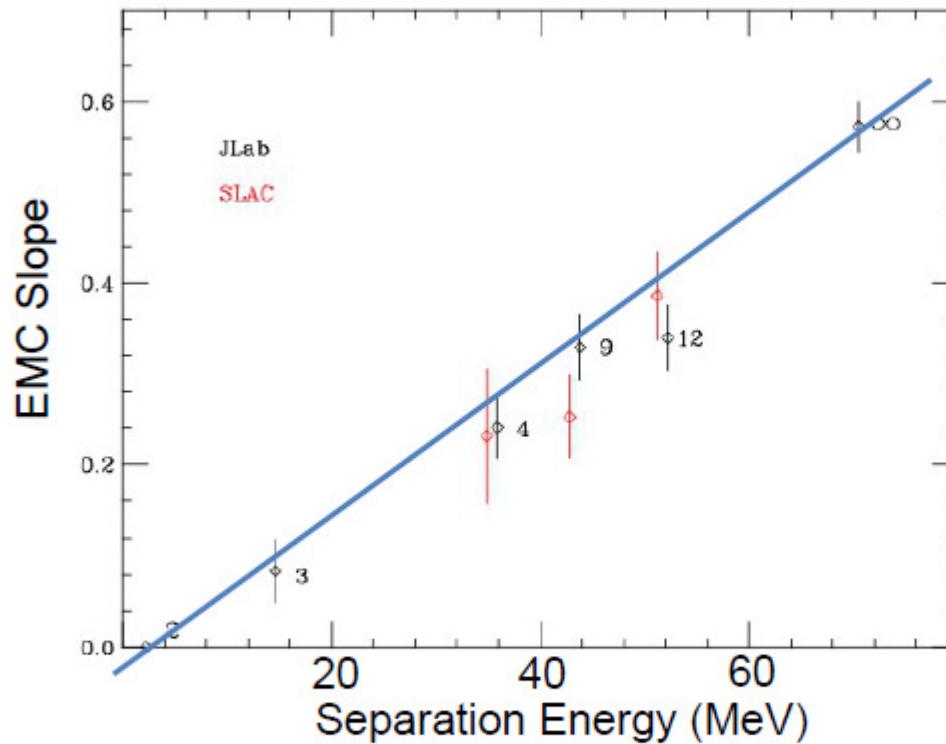
$$\sin^2 \Theta_W = 0.2277 \pm 0.0013(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.0009(\text{syst.}).$$

Which is 3σ different from the word average.

Work above claimed that an isospin-dependent EMC effect, larger for u-quark than for d-quark can solve this discrepancy.

consequences: isospin dependence of the EMC effect

EMC and Separation Energy



How do we know the
EMC slope for
nuclear matter?

Benhar and Sick,
ArXiv 1207:4595

$$\bar{E} = \bar{T} \frac{A-2}{A-1} - 2 \frac{E_0}{A}$$

A red circle highlights the term \bar{T} in the equation. Red arrows point from the labels T_p and T_n to the \bar{T} term.

- Average kinetic energy calculated using GFMC wave functions is much larger than previous calculations and/or ($e, e'p$) measurements.
- Not bad, but since the average separation energy is just proportional to the average nucleon virtuality.

Protons \neq neutrons

consequences: implication for neutron stars

- At the core of neutron stars, most accepted models assume :

~95% neutrons, ~5% protons and ~5% electrons (β -stability).

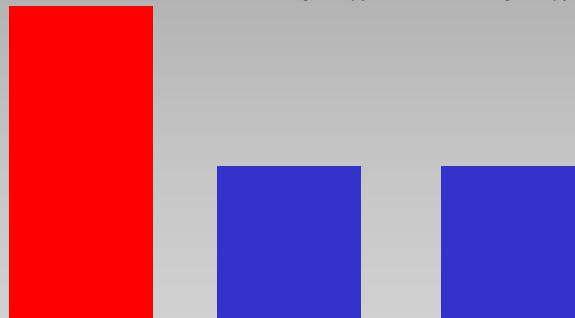
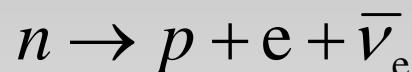


- Neglecting the np-SRC interactions, one can assume three separate Fermi gases (n p and e).

$$\text{At } T=0 \quad k_{Fermi}^n = k_{Fermi}^p + k_{Fermi}^e \quad k_{Fermi}^p = k_{Fermi}^e = \left(\frac{N_p}{N_n}\right)^{1/3} k_{Fermi}^n$$

For $\rho = 5\rho_0$, $k_{Fermi}^n \approx 500 \text{ MeV/c}$, $k_{Fermi}^p = k_{Fermi}^e \approx 250 \text{ MeV/c}$

Pauli blocking prevent
direct n decay



$$k_{Fermi}^n \quad k_{Fermi}^p \quad k_{Fermi}^e$$

What happen at $T \neq 0$ with a strong SR np interaction ?



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consequences: Asymmetric ultracold Fermi gas mixtures in traps

Allow “quantum simulation” of
asymmetric nuclei and neutron stars
With a control over the asymmetry
level ,and the interaction strength.

I thanks the organizers for a great workshop at a wonderful location

