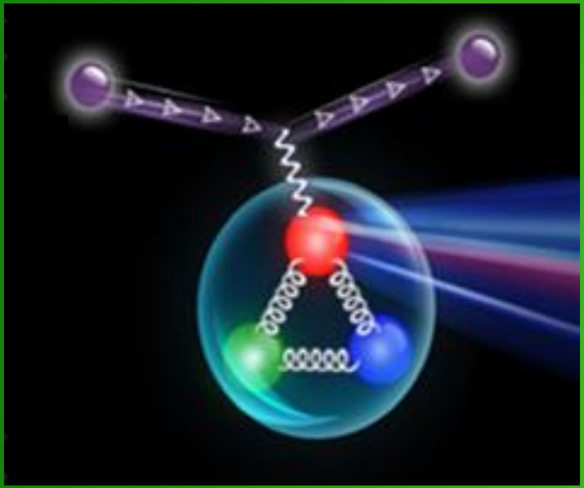
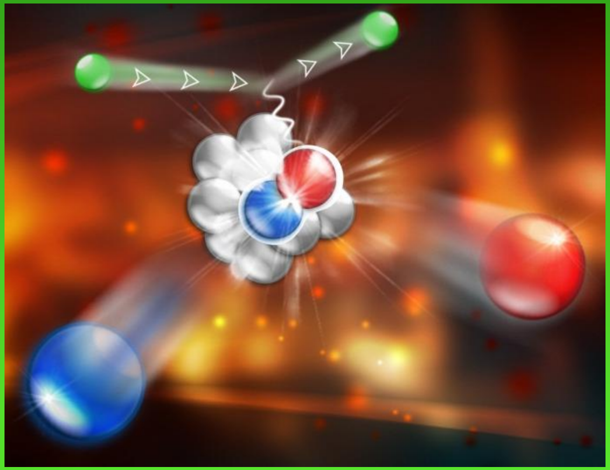
Unlocking what underlies the common nuclear dependence of EMC effect and Short Range Correlations





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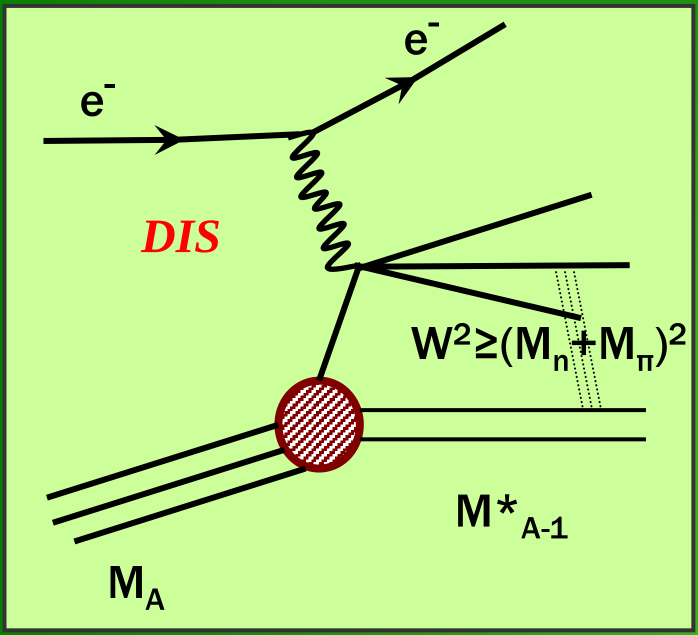
The inclusive reaction



Same initial state

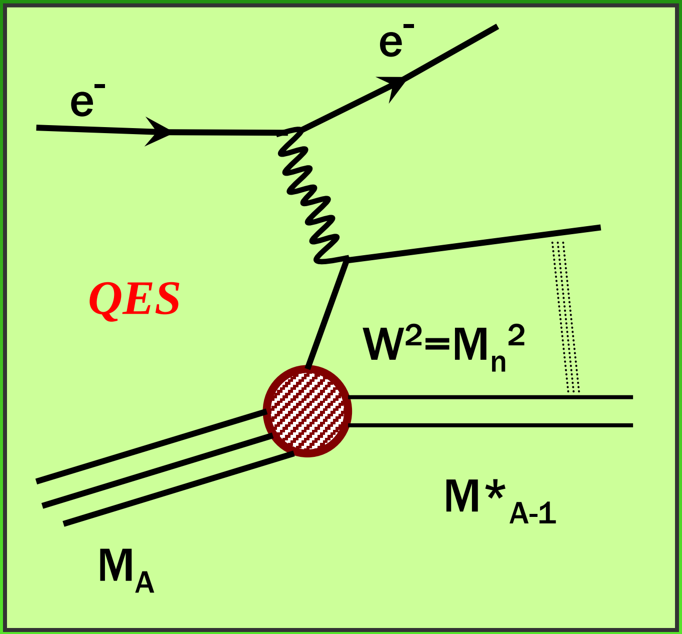
Different Q^2 behavior

$$\nu = E - E'$$

$$Q^2 = -q^2 = \vec{q}^{\,2} - \nu^2$$

$$W^2 = 2M\nu + M^2 - Q^2$$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu}$$

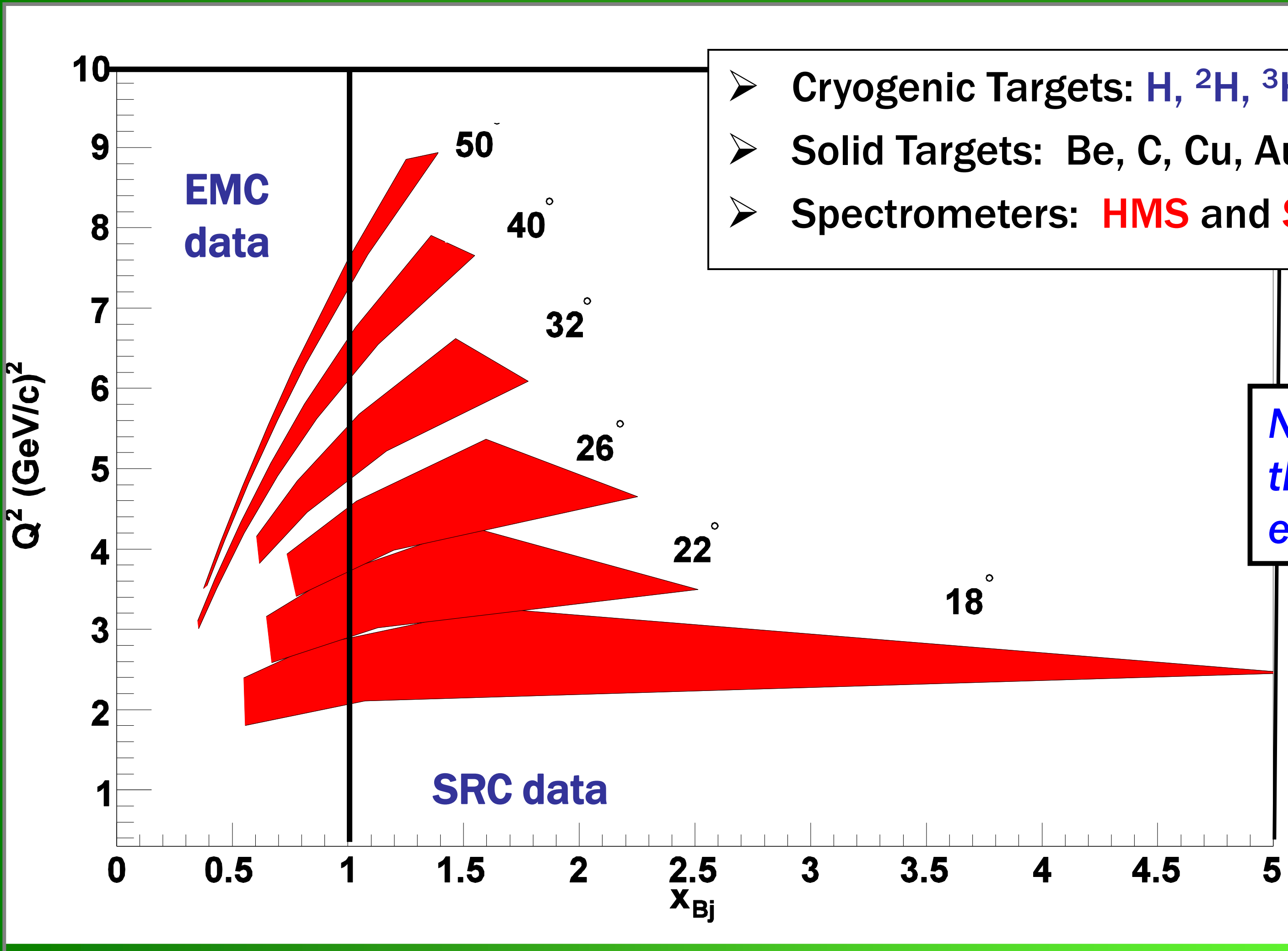


$$F_1(x) = \frac{1}{2}\Sigma e_i^2[q_i^{\uparrow}(x) + q_i^{\downarrow}(x)]$$

$$F_1(x) = \frac{1}{2x}F_2(x)$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE'd\Omega} = \sigma_{mott}[\frac{2}{M}F_1(\nu,Q^2)\tan^2(\theta/2) + \frac{F_2}{\nu}(\nu,Q^2)]$$

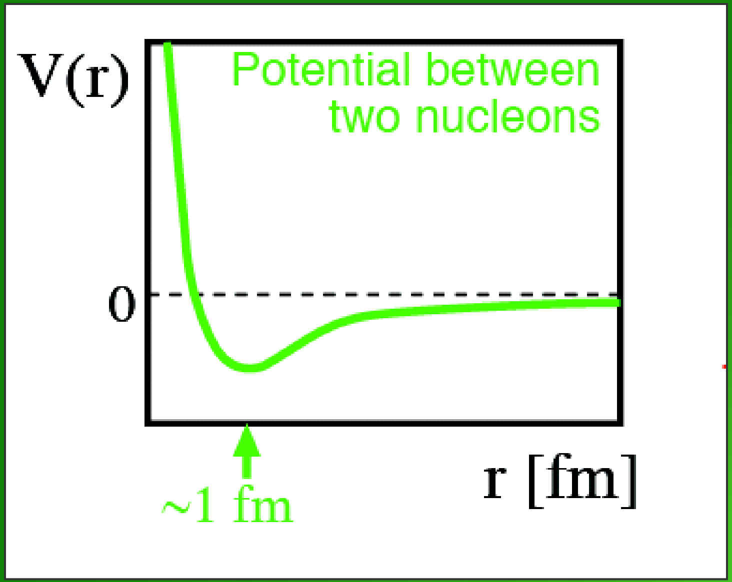
E03-103 (EMC) & E02-019 (x>1) Kinematic Coverage

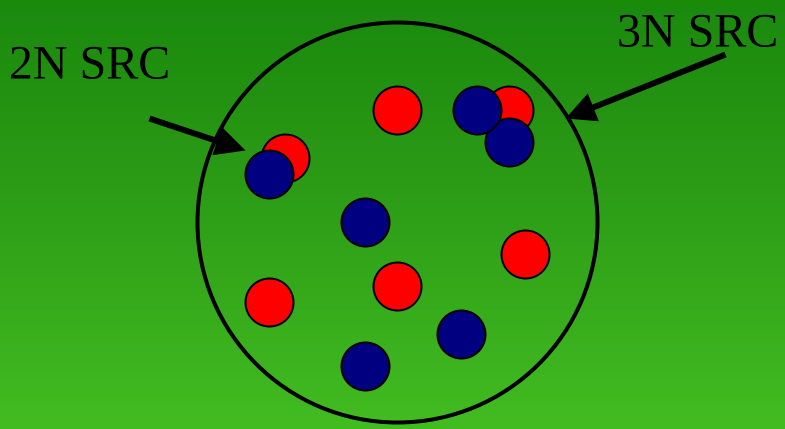


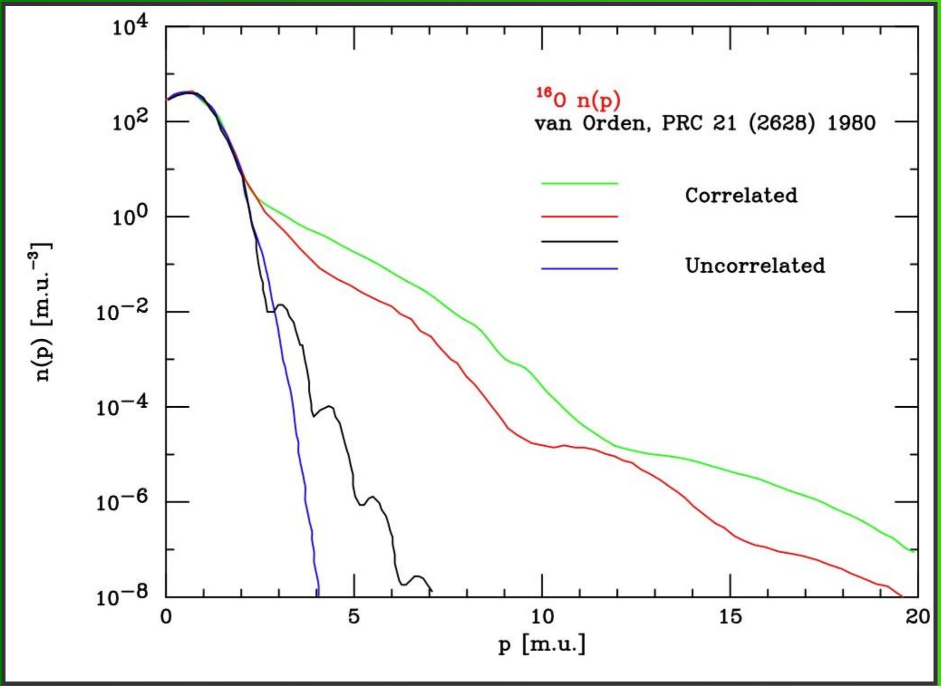
- Cryogenic Targets: H, ^{2}H, ^{3}He, ^{4}He
- Solid Targets: Be, C, Cu, Au.
- Spectrometers: HMS and SOS (mostly HMS)

New data come from these two sister experiments at JLab

High momentum nucleons - Short Range Correlations







Cannot extract momentum distributions directly from inclusive data for A>2

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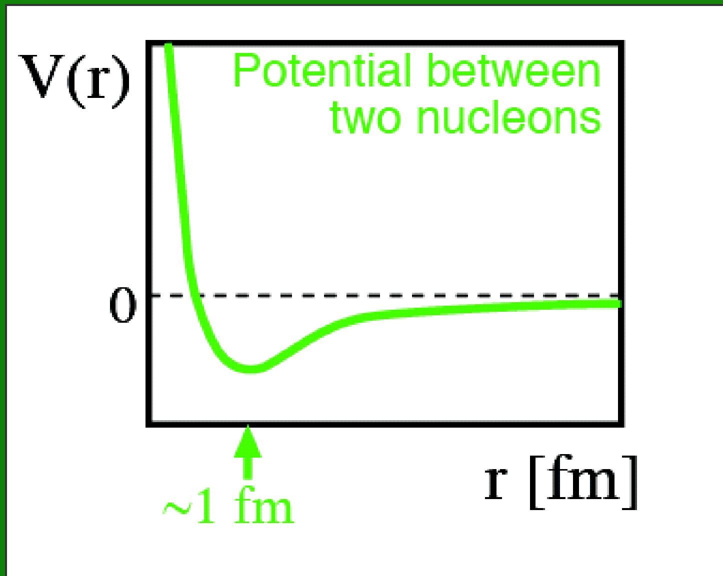
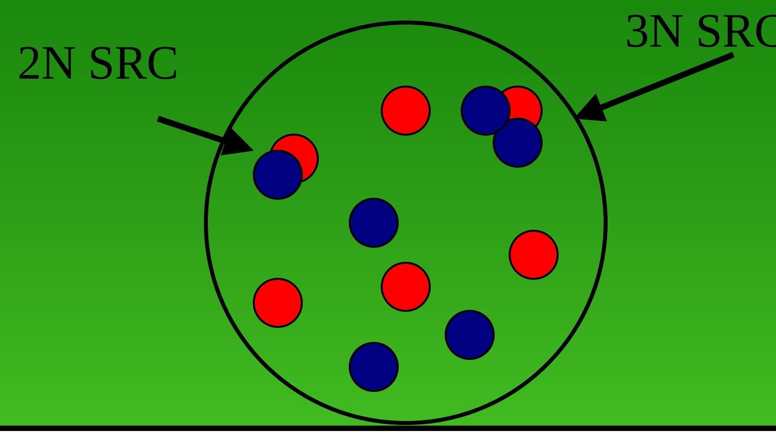




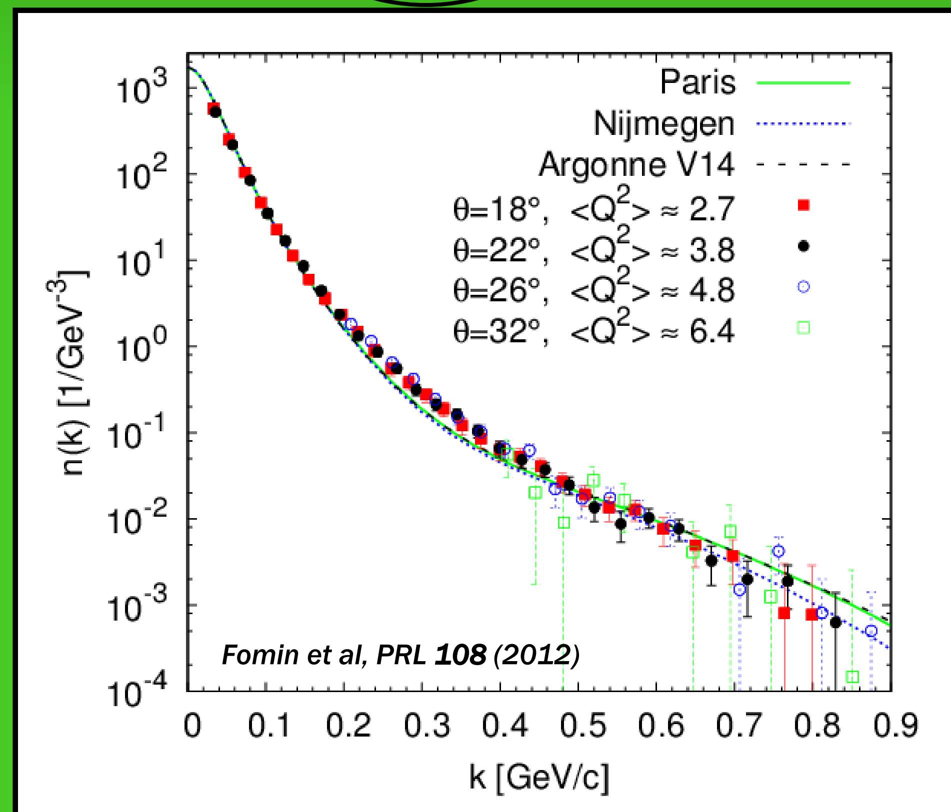
$$\frac{d\sigma^{QE}}{d\Omega dE'} \propto \int d\vec{k} \int dE \sigma_{ei} S_i(k,E)\delta(Arg)$$

$$Arg = \nu + M_A - \sqrt{M^2 + p^2} - \sqrt{M_{A-1}^{*2} + k^2}$$

$$F(y,\mathbf{q}) = \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega d\upsilon} \frac{1}{(Z\overline{\sigma}_p + N\overline{\sigma}_n)} \frac{\mathbf{q}}{\sqrt{M^2+(y+q)^2}}$$

$$= 2\pi \int_{|y|}^{\infty} n(k) k dk$$

Ok for A=2



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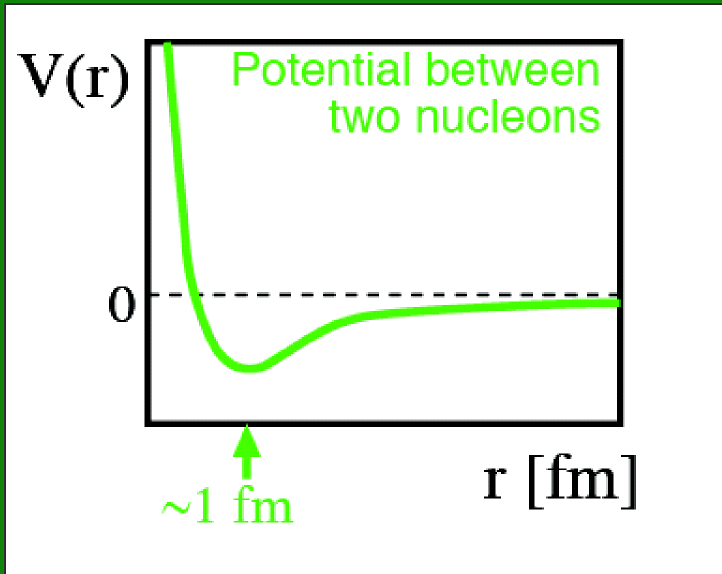

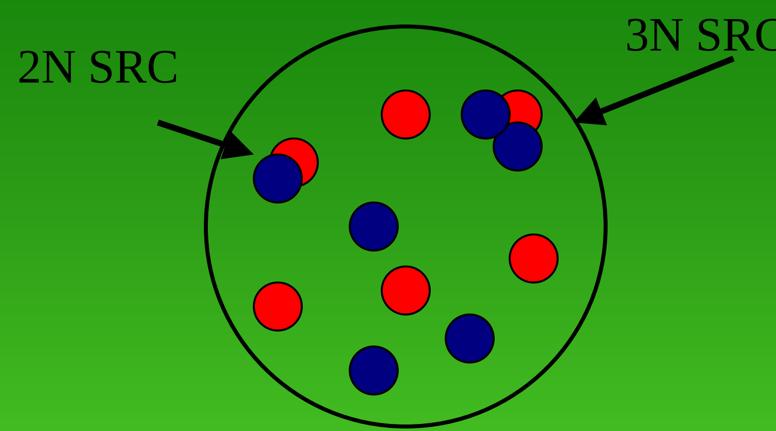

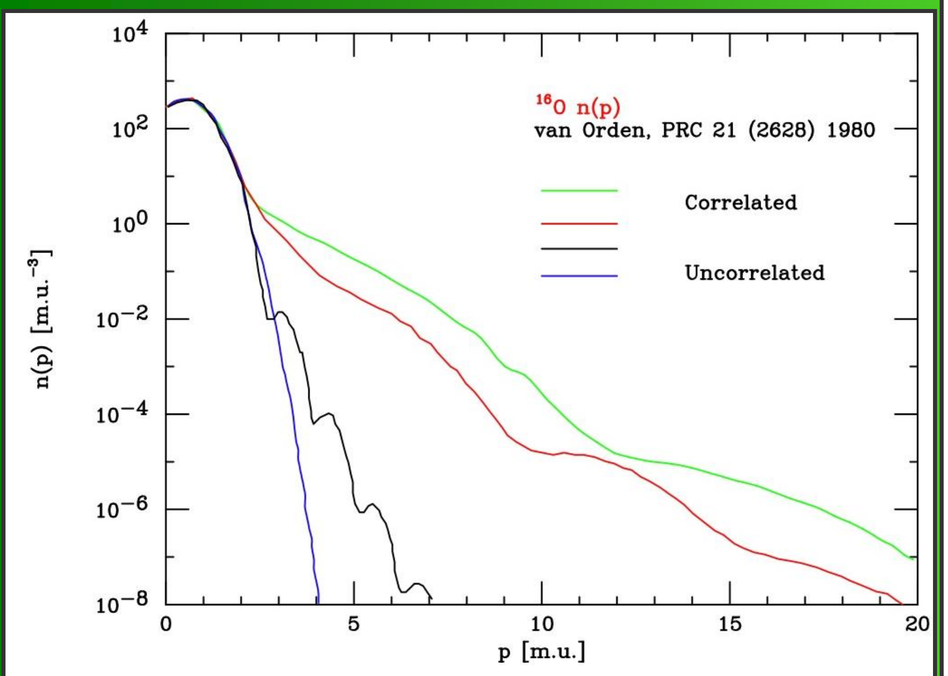

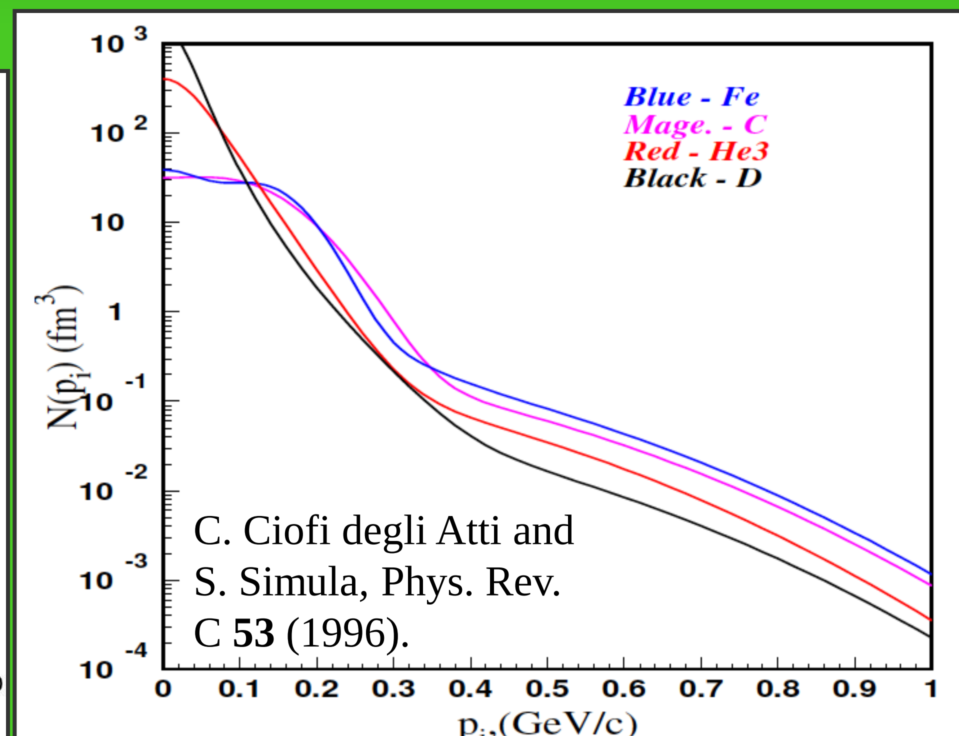

Short Range Correlations

- To experimentally probe SRCs, must be in the high-momentum region (x>1)

- To measure the relative probability of finding a correlation, ratios of heavy to light nuclei are taken

- In the high momentum region, FSIs are thought to be confined to the SRCs and therefore, cancel in the cross section ratios

1.4<x<2 => 2 nucleon correlation

2.4<x<3 => 3 nucleon correlation

- *L. L. Frankfurt and M. I. Strikman, Phys. Rept. 76, 215(1981).*
- *J. Arrington, D. Higinbotham, G. Rosner, and M. Sargsian (2011), arXiv:1104.1196*
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- *C. C. degli Atti and S. Simula, Phys. Lett. B 325, 276 (1994).*
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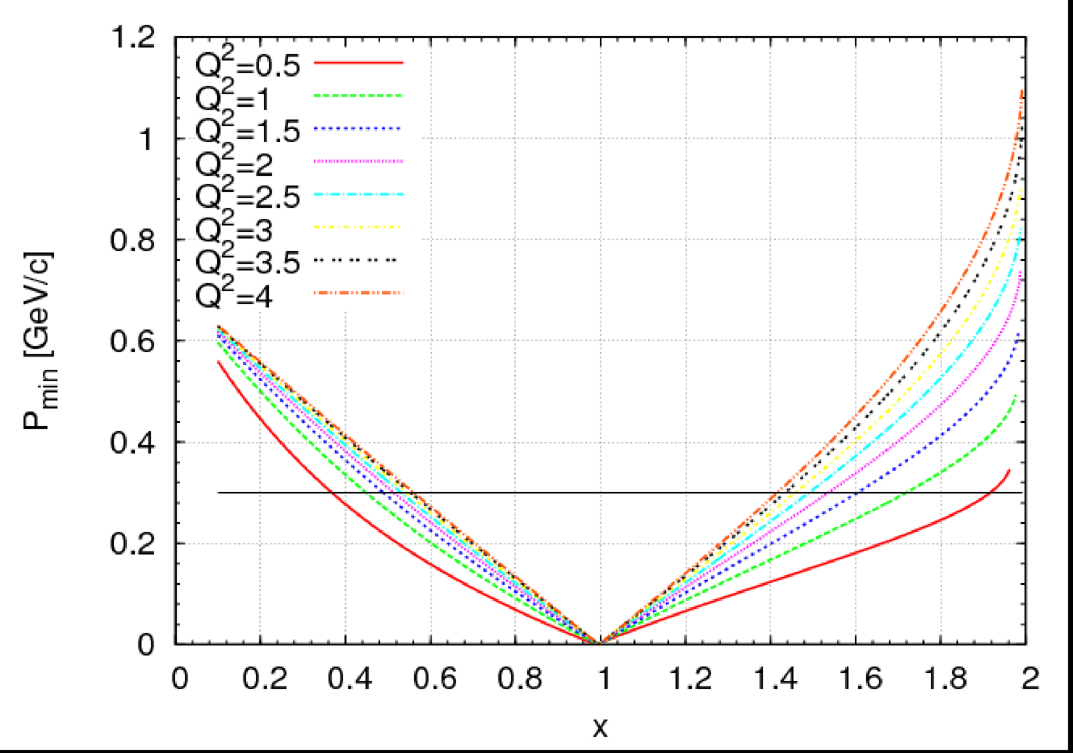
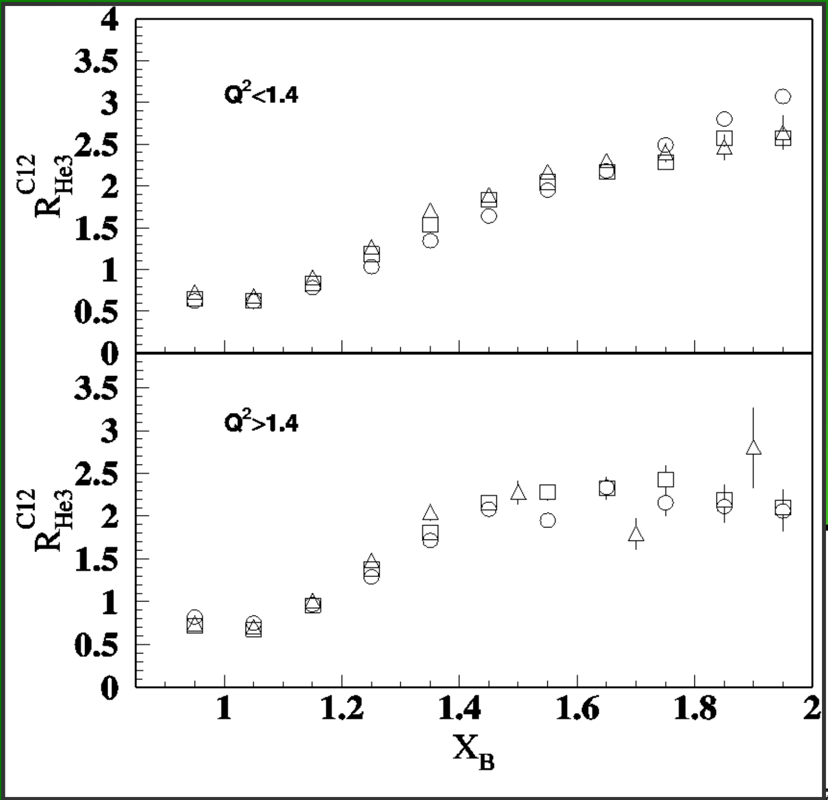
$$\frac{2}{A}\frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_D} = a_2(A)$$



Previous measurements



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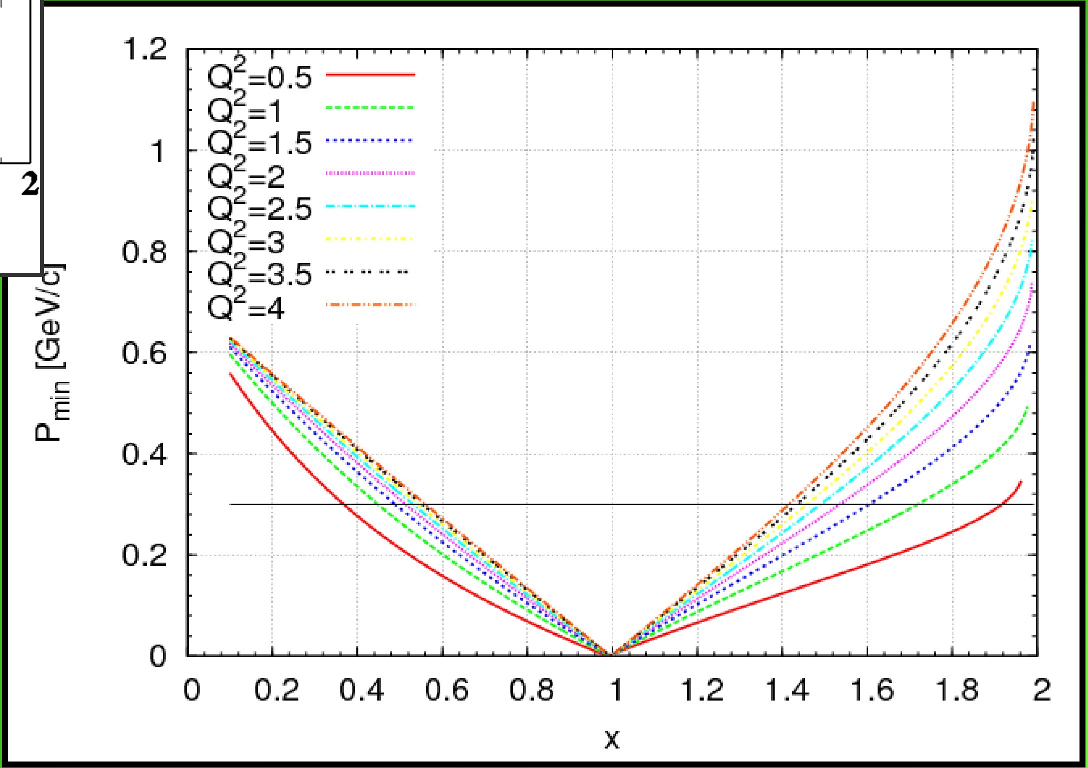
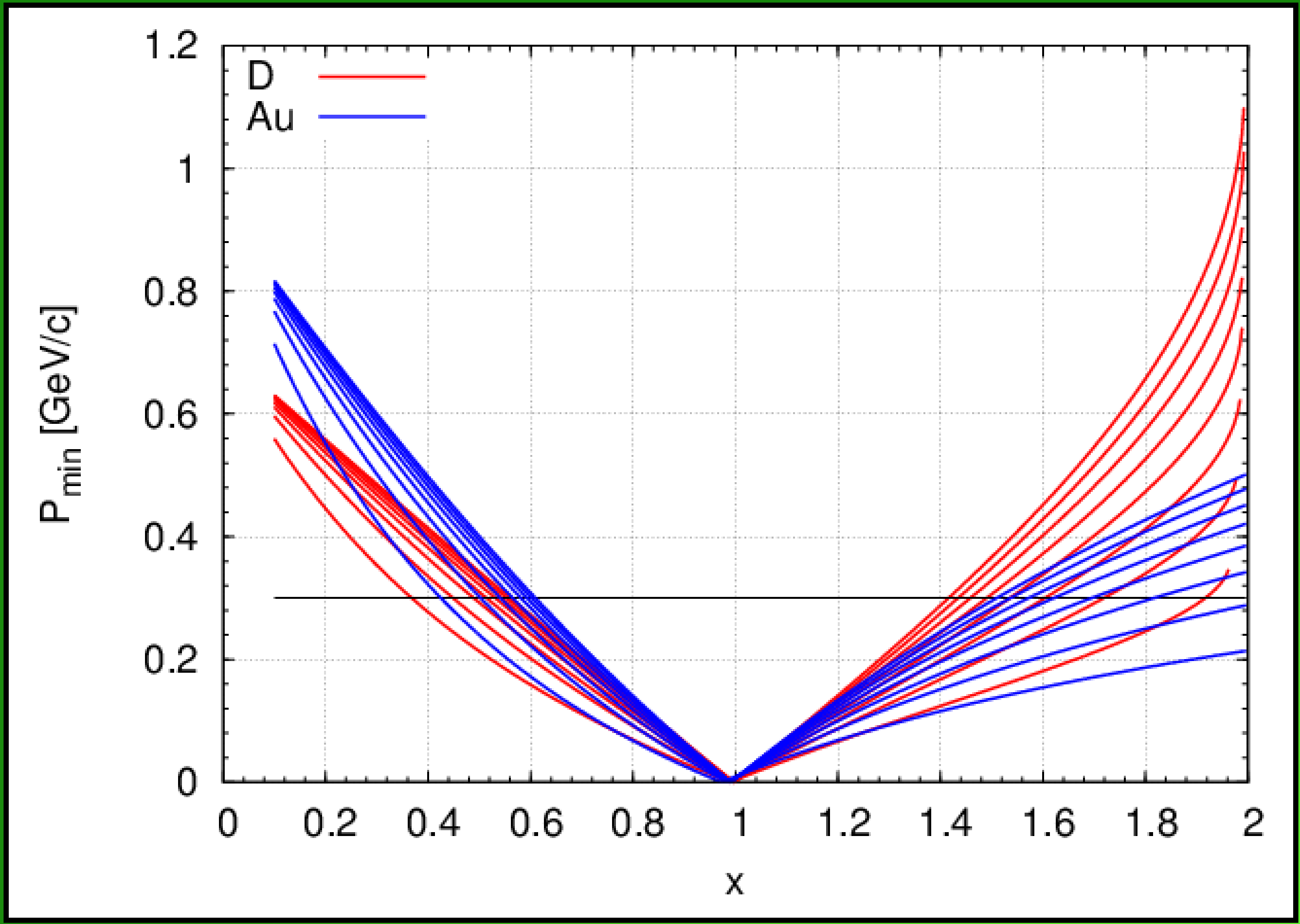


Egiyan et al, Phys.Rev.C68, 2003

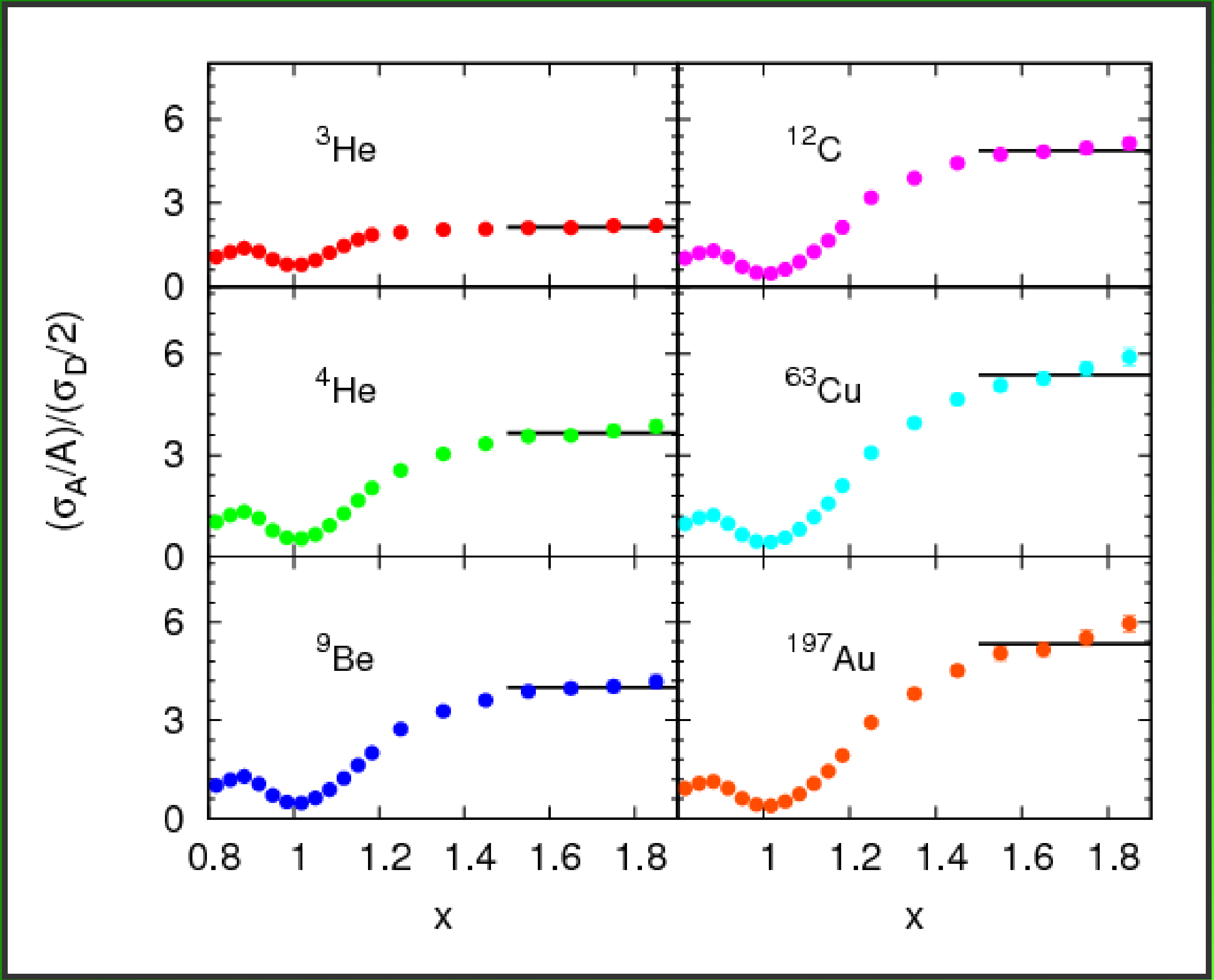
No observation of scaling for Q^2<1.4 GeV^2

Kinematic cutoff is A-dependent



- For heavy nuclei, the minimum momentum changes → heavier recoil system requires less kinetic energy to balance the momentum of the struck nucleon
- Larger fermi momenta for A>2 → MF contribution persists for longer

E02-019: 2N correlations in A/D ratios

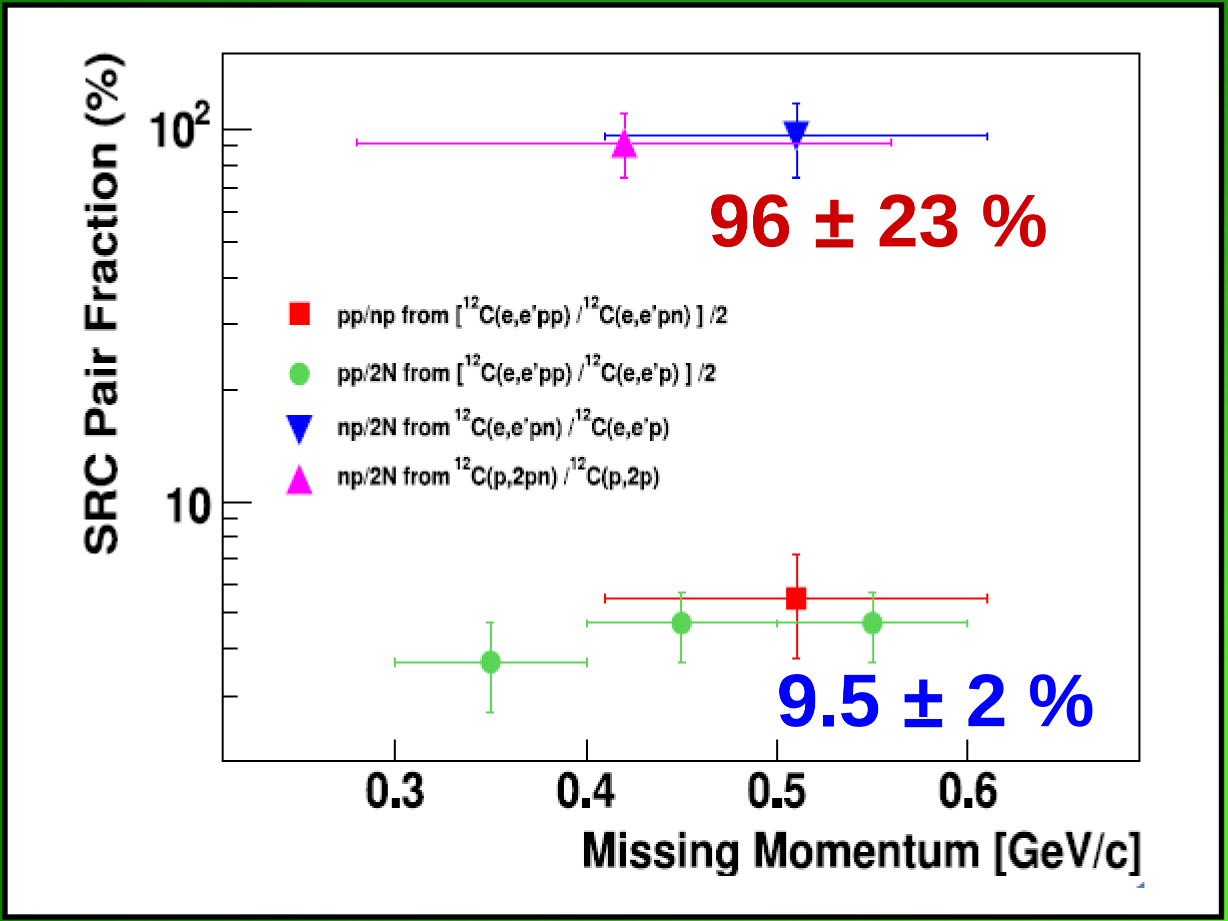


*Fomin et al, PRL **108** (2012)*

Jlab E02-019

$\langle Q^2\rangle = 2.7\ \text{GeV}^2$

NP dominance



R. Subedi et al., Science 320, 1476 (2008)

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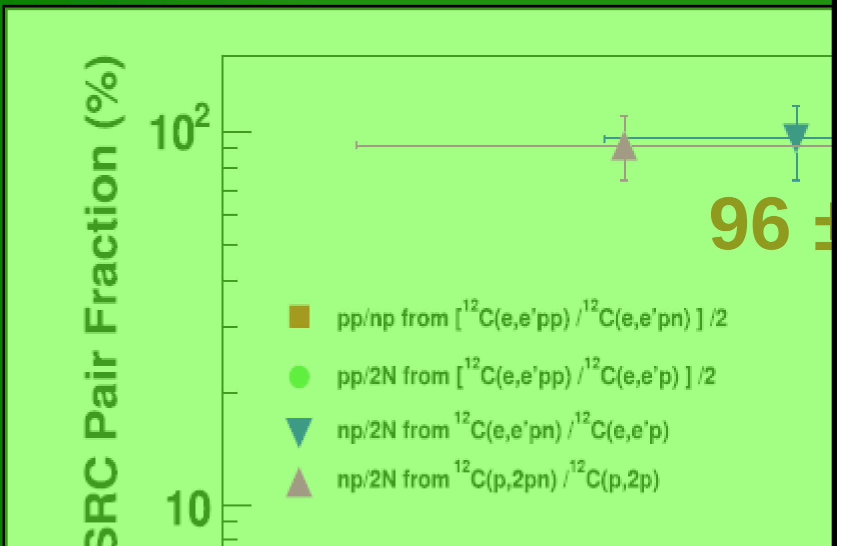
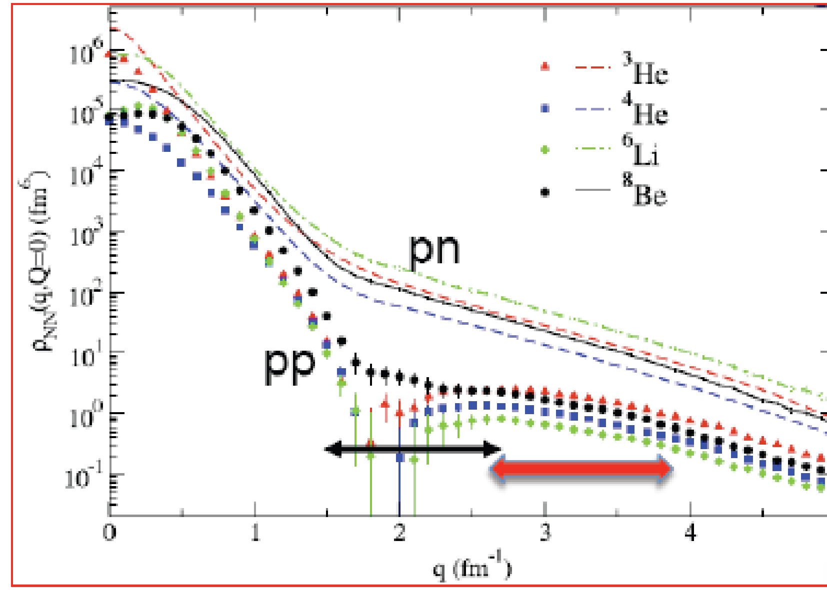
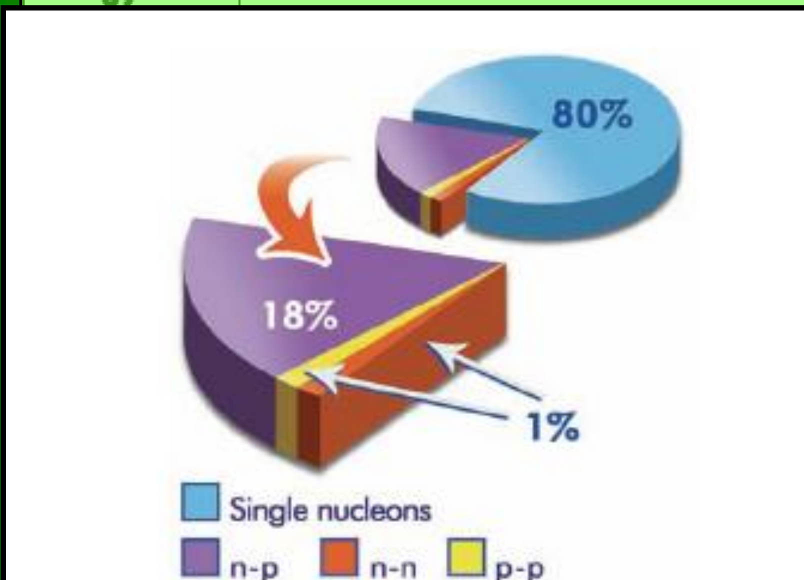




R. Schiavilla, R. B. Wiringa, S. C. Pieper, J. Carlson, Phys. Rev. Lett. **98** (2007) 132501

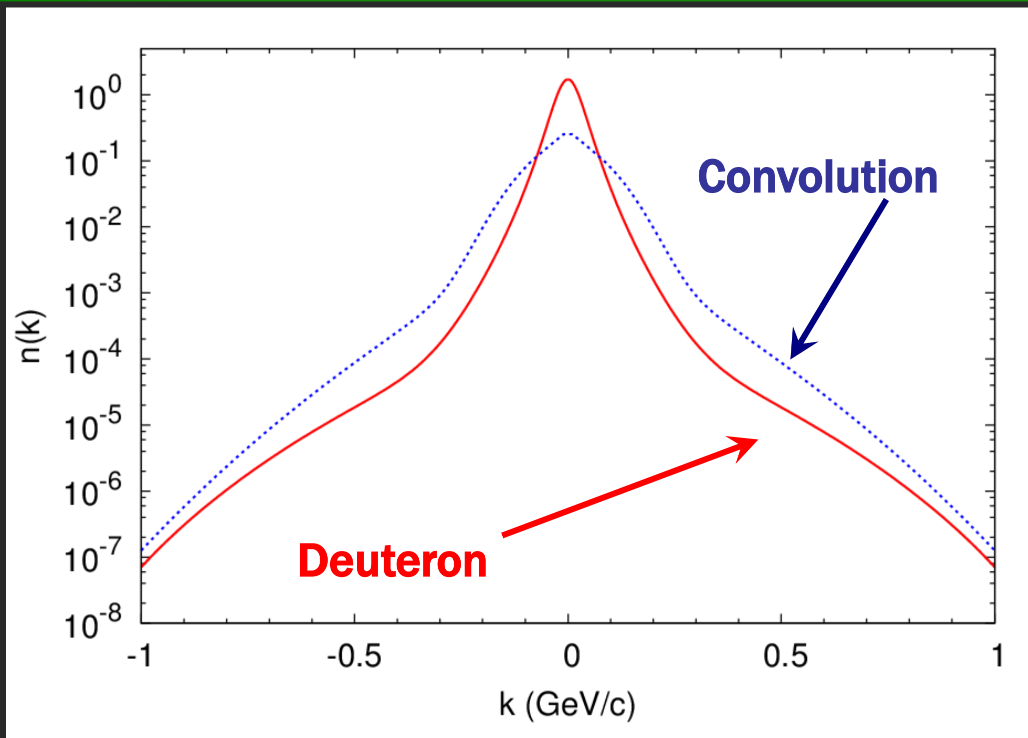


also

→ Ciofi and Alvioli PRL 100, 162503 (2008)

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

($a_2=\sigma_A/\sigma_D$)!= Relative #of SRCs



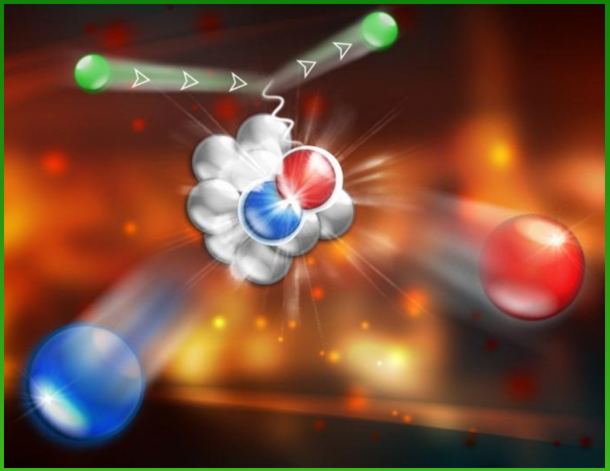
$n_D^{CONV}(k)$ is the convolution of $n_D(k)$ with the CM motion of correlated pairs in iron

Following prescription from C. Ciofi degli Atti and S. Simula, Phys. Rev. C 53 (1996)

	E02-019	SLAC	CLAS	R_{2N}-ALL	a_2-ALL
^{3}He	1.93±0.10	1.8±0.3	–	1.92±0.09	2.13±0.04
^{4}He	3.02±0.17	2.8±0.4	2.80±0.28	2.94±0.14	3.57±0.09
Be	3.37±0.17	–	–	3.37±0.17	3.91±0.12
C	4.00±0.24	4.2±0.5	3.50±0.35	3.89±0.18	4.65±0.14
Al	–	4.4±0.6	–	4.40±0.60	5.30±0.60
Fe	–	4.3±0.8	3.90±0.37	3.97±0.34	4.75±0.29
Cu	4.33±0.28	–	–	4.33±0.28	5.21±0.20
Au	4.26±0.29	4.0±0.6	–	4.21±0.26	5.13±0.21

$a_2=\sigma_A/\sigma_D$ → *relative measure of high momentum nucleons*

R_{2n} → *relative measure of correlated pairs*

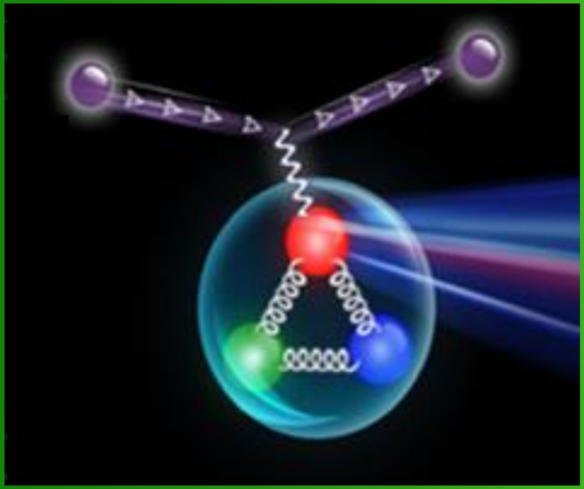


FROM

Quasielastic Scattering at x>1

to

DIS at x<1



Where an unexpected connection is made

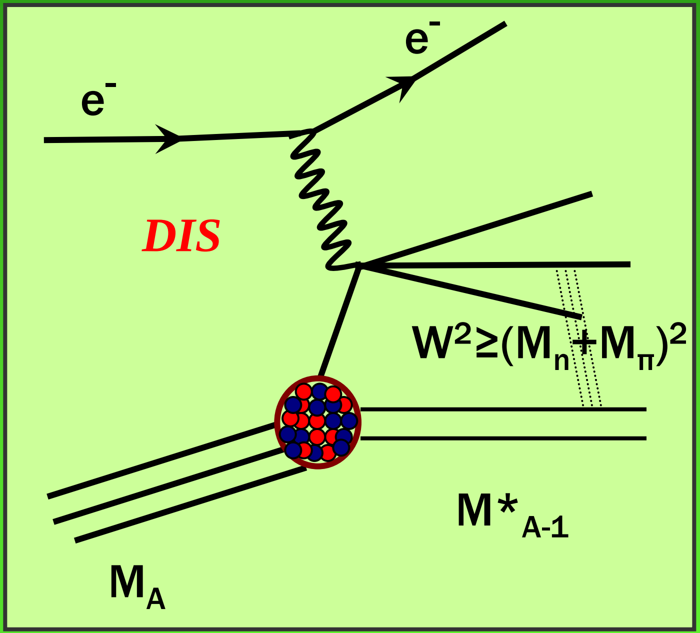
Discovery of the EMC effect

- Goal was a measurement of the lepton-nucleon cross section at high Q^2
  - To achieve statistical precision in a reasonable amount of time, an iron target was used, on the assumption that

$$\frac{\sigma_A / A}{\sigma_D / 2} \approx 1$$

meaning

$$F_2^A(x) = ZF_2^p(x) + NF_2^n(x)$$

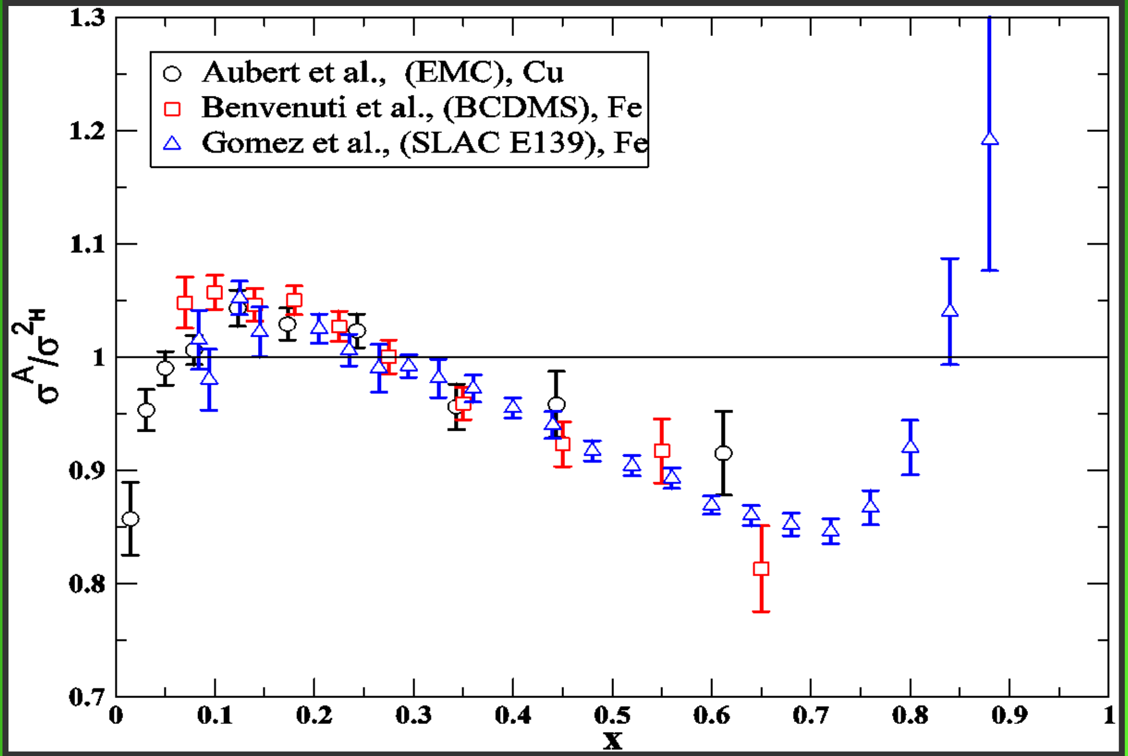


The EMC effect

$$F_2^A(x) \neq ZF_2^p(x) + NF_2^n(x)$$

Nuclear dependence of the structure functions discovered 25 years ago by the European Muon Collaboration (EMC effect)

Nucleon structure functions are modified by the nuclear medium

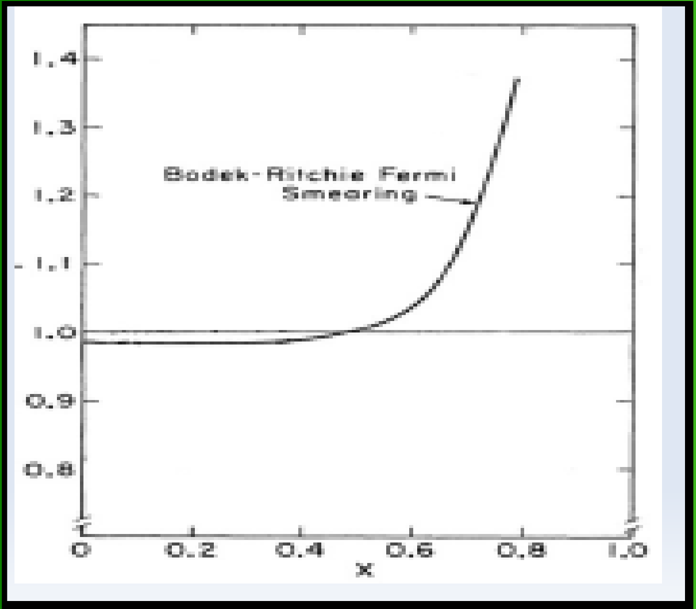


Shadowing

Anti-Shadowing (pion excess)

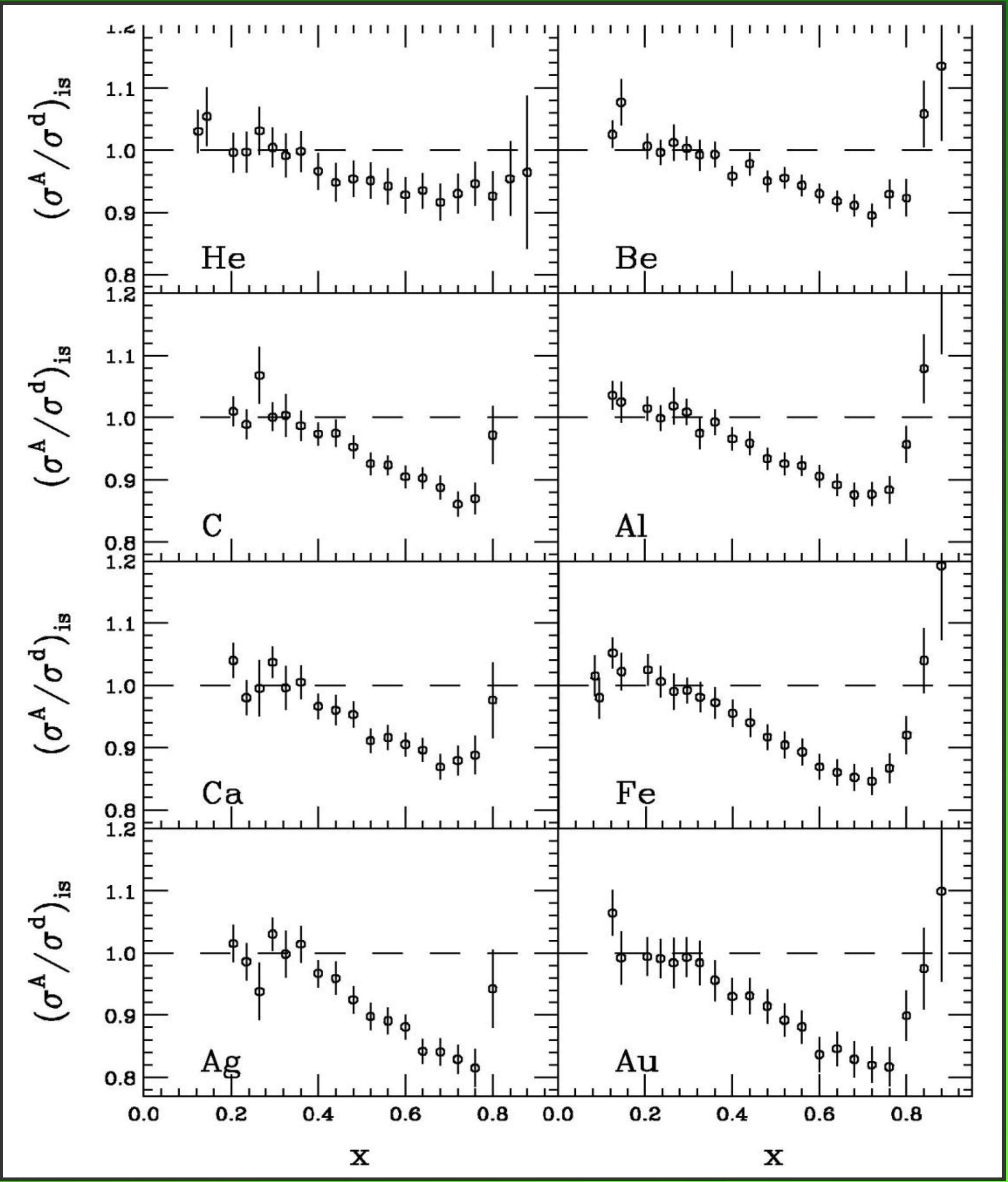
EMC region

Fermi motion effects



Measurements before 2004

- *NMC* – extraction of F_2^n/F_2^p
- *BCDMS* – $50 < Q^2 < 200$ (GeV^2)
- *HERMES* – first measurement on ^{3}He
- *SLAC E139* – most precise large x data
    - Q^2 independent
    - Universal shape
    - Magnitude approximately scales with density



Models of the EMC effect

Nucleon structure is modified ***in the nuclear medium***

- Dynamical rescaling
- Nucleon 'swelling'
- Multiquark clusters (6q, 9q 'bags')

or

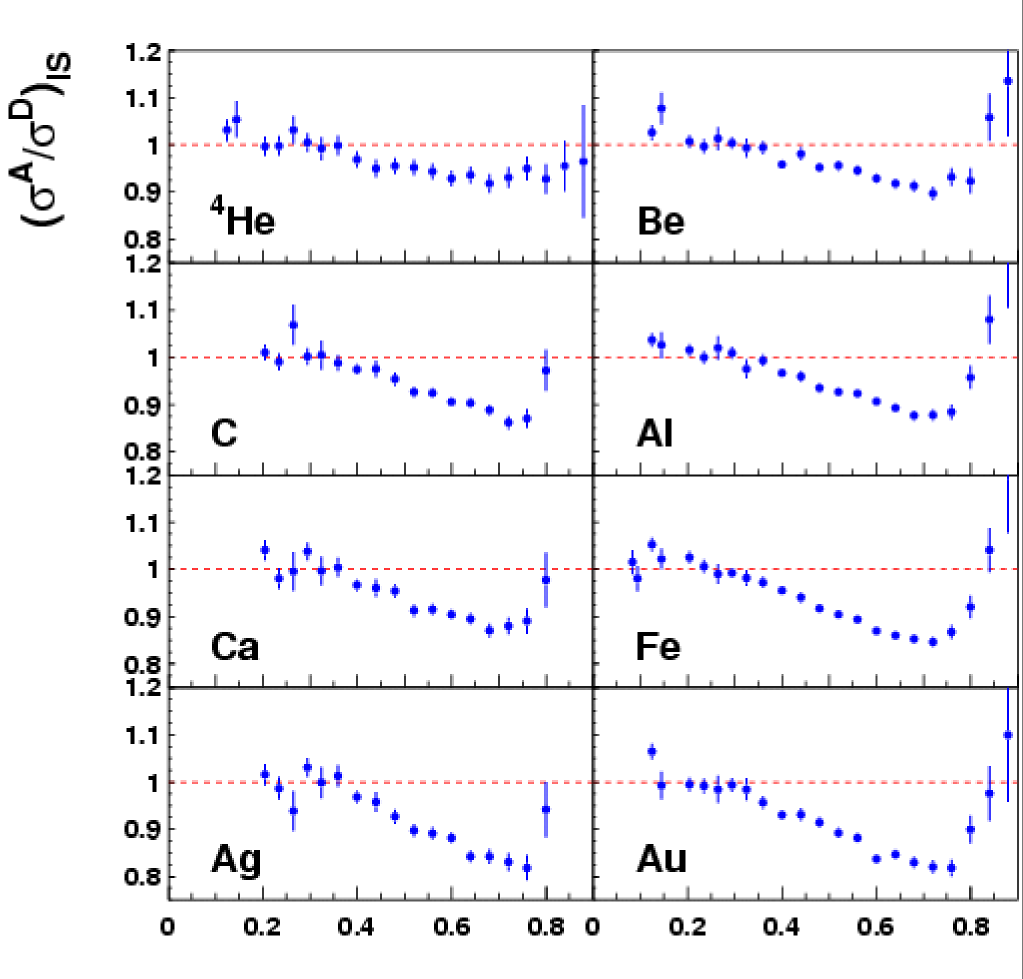
Nuclear structure is modified ***due to hadronic effects***

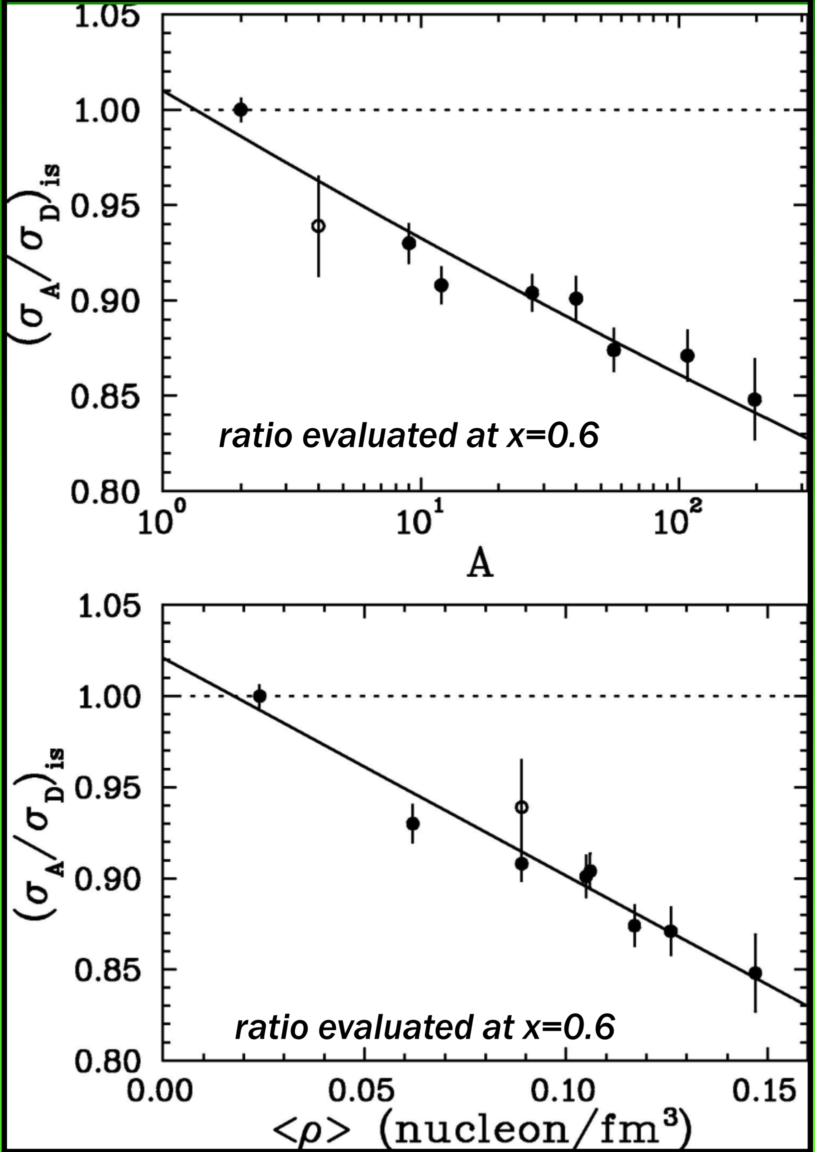
- More detailed binding calculations
    - Fermi motion + binding
    - N-N correlations
- Nuclear pions

Nuclear Dependence of the EMC effect

→ *Quark distributions are modified in nuclei*

→ *Modification scales with A*





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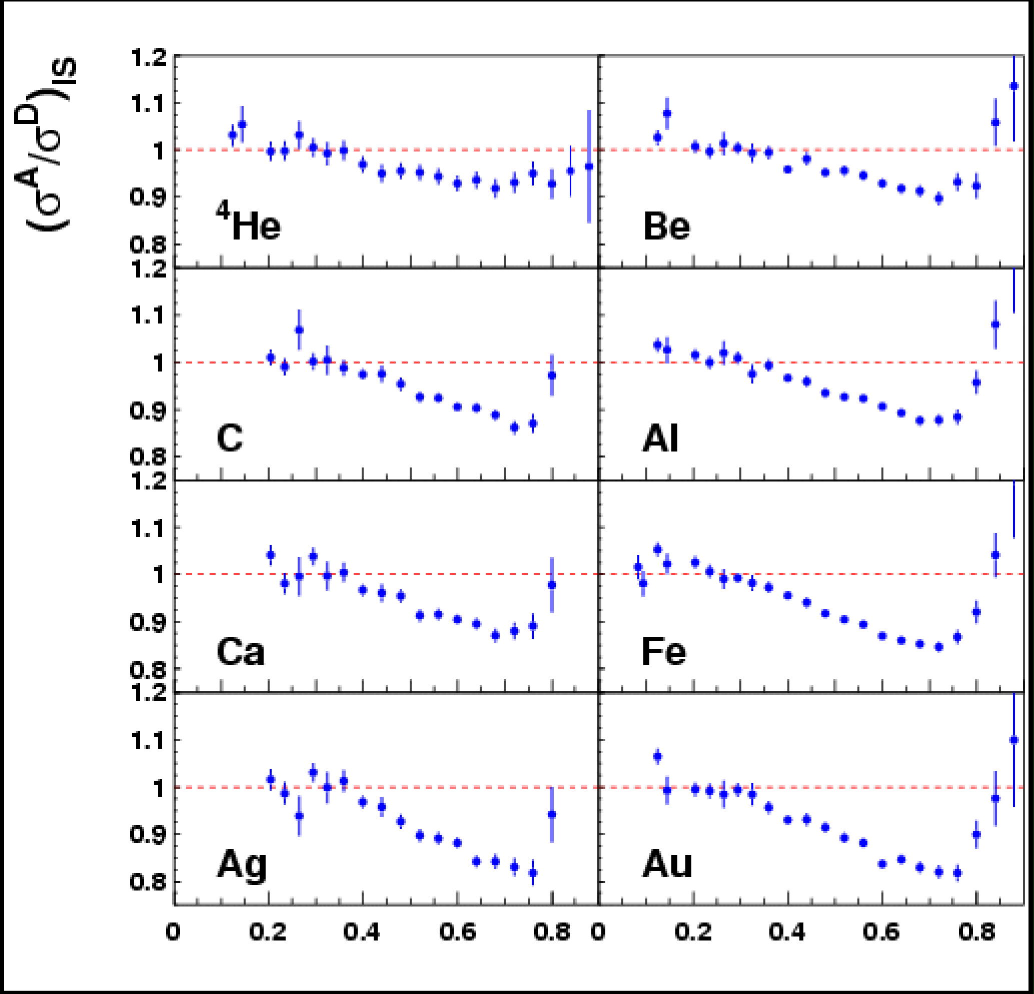
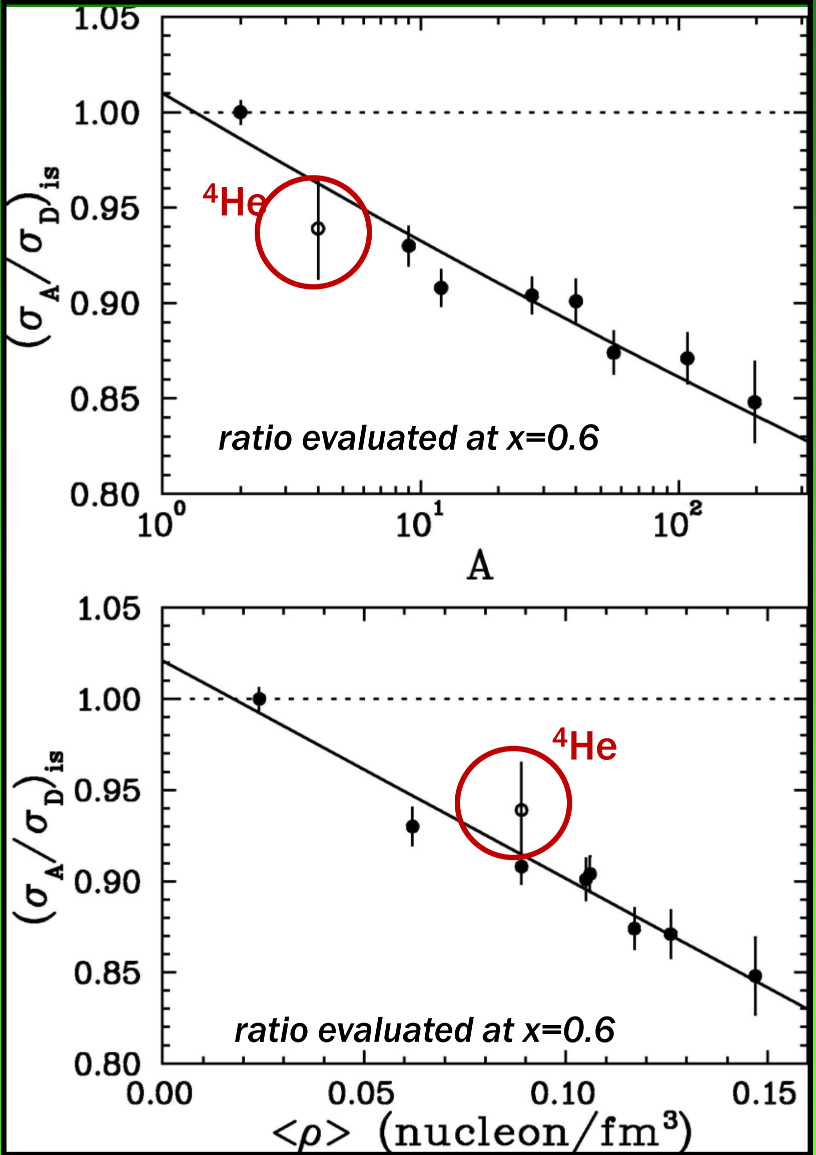
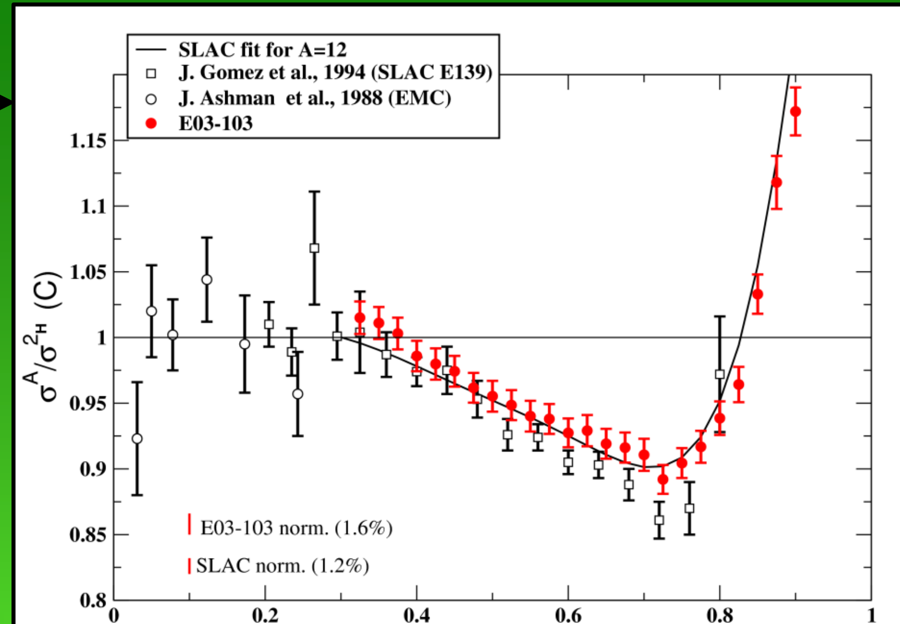




Precision results on light nuclei from JLab E03-103

- *C/D* and *^{4}He/D* ratios – no isoscalar correction necessary
- Consistent with SLAC results, but much higher precision at high x



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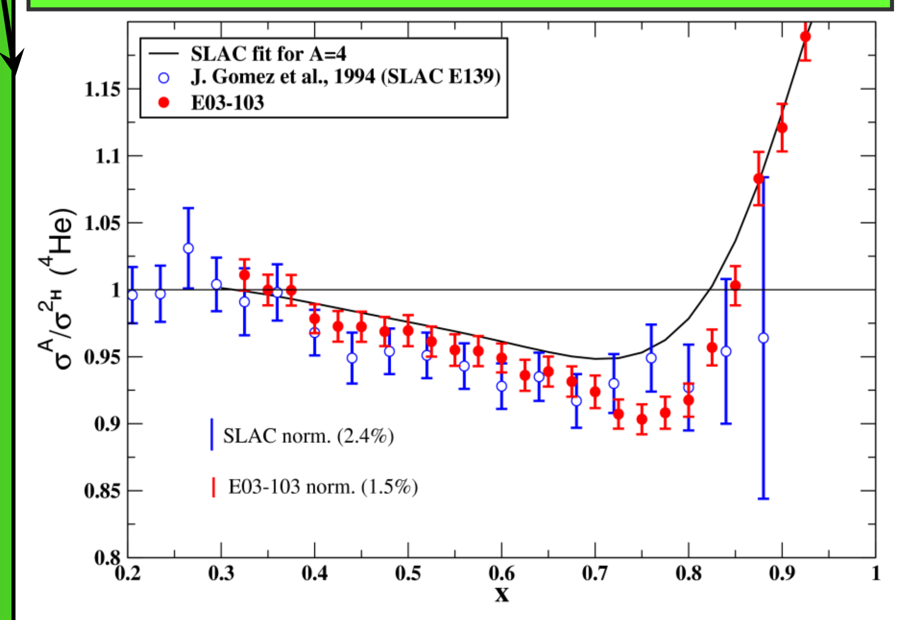
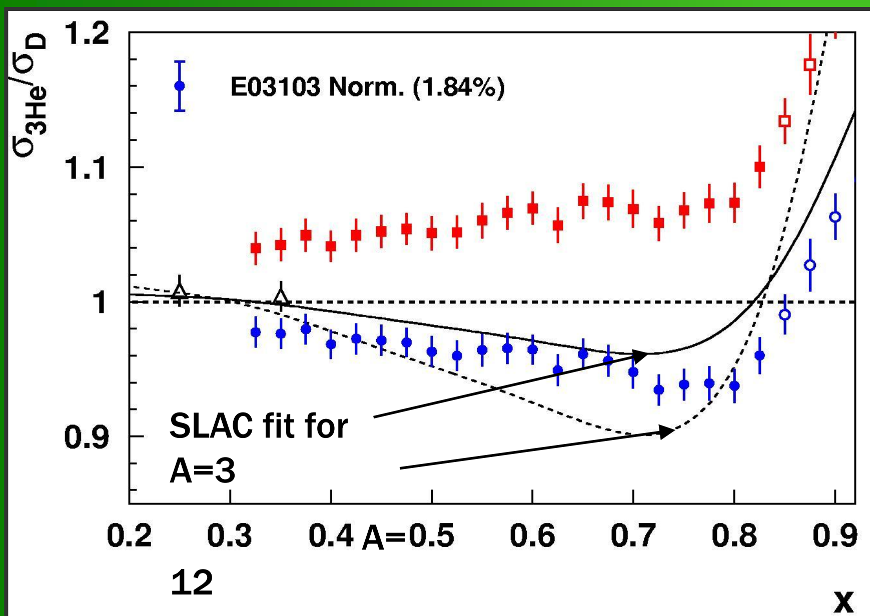
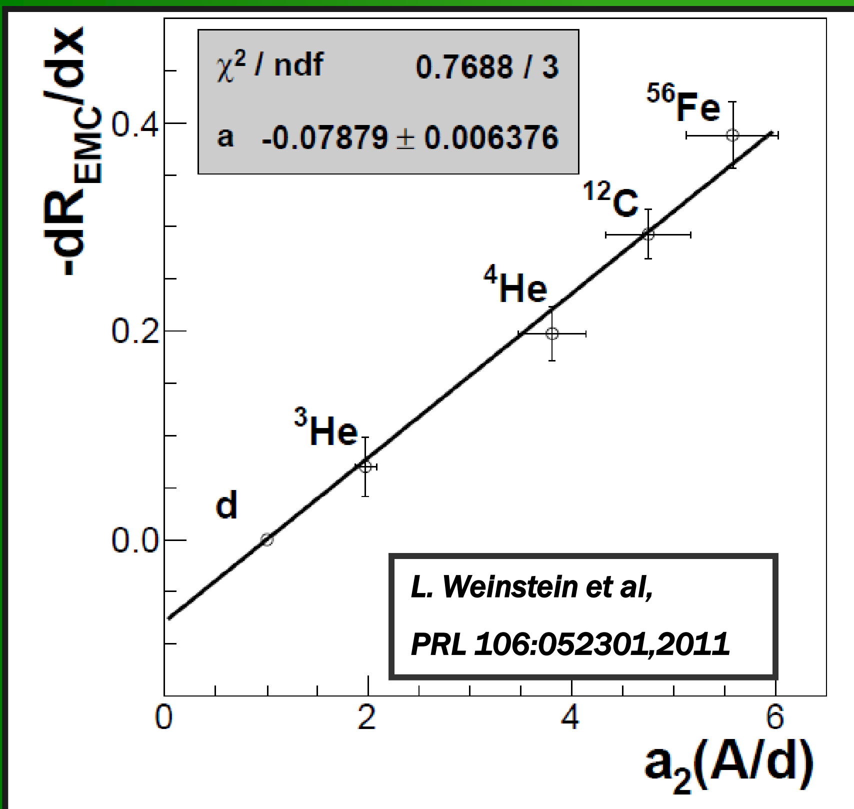


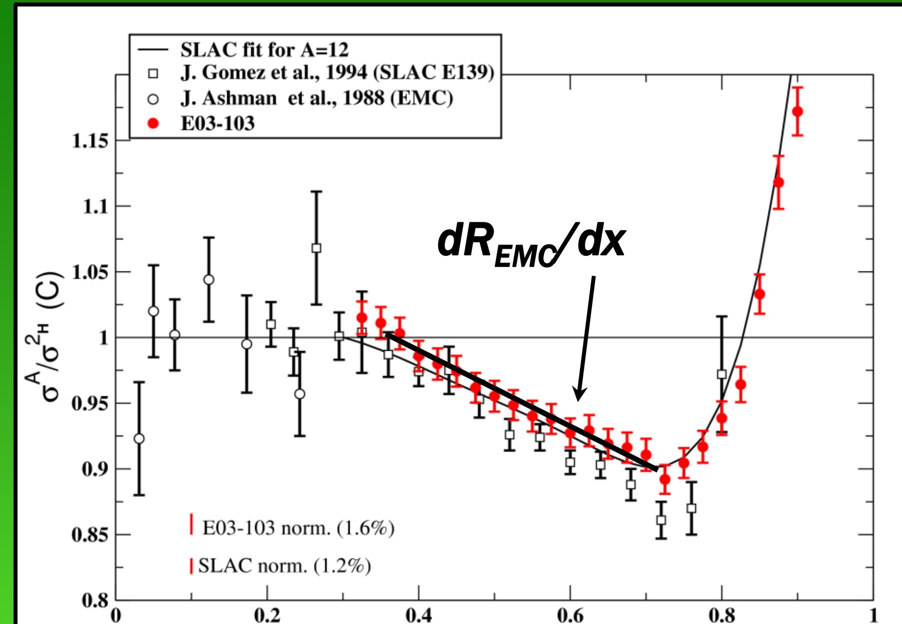


PhD theses: J. Seely, A. Daniel

SRCs and EMC effect share the same nuclear dependence.

a_2 – relative measure of SRCs
dR_{EMC}/dx – slope of the A/D cross section ratio in the 0.35<x<0.7 region





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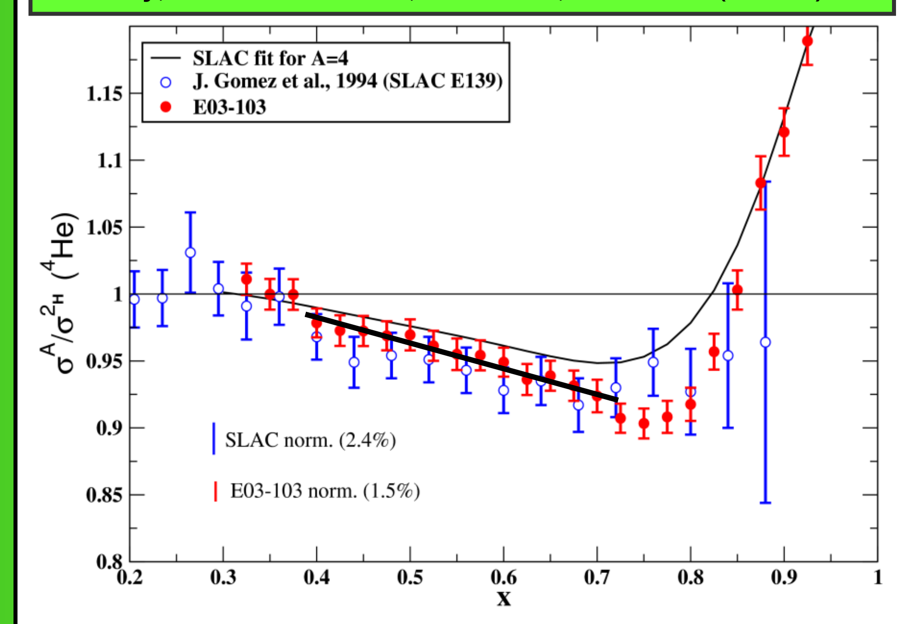
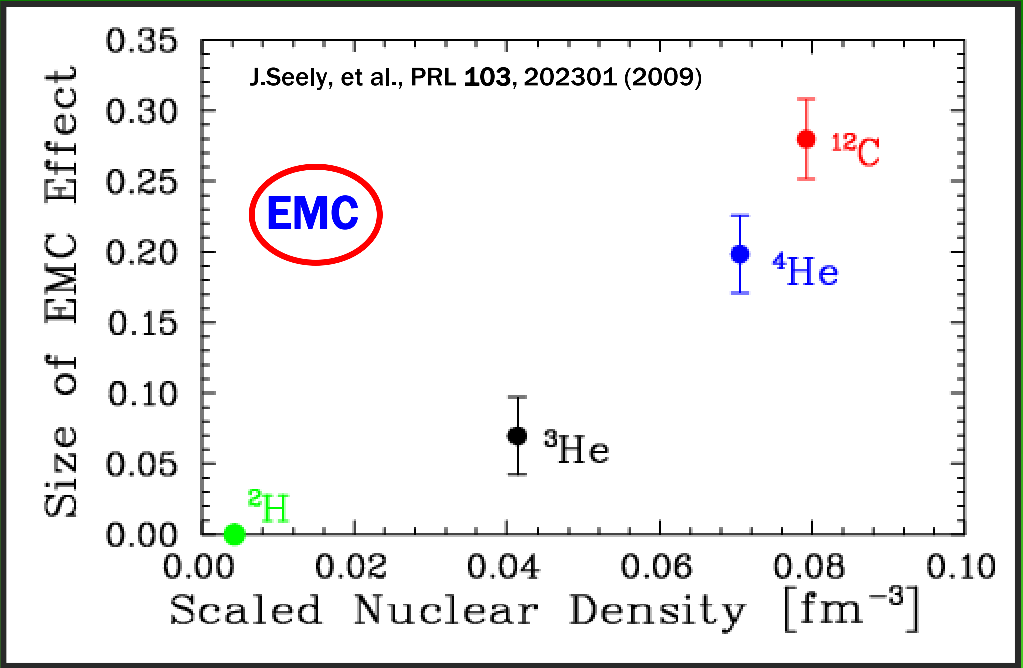
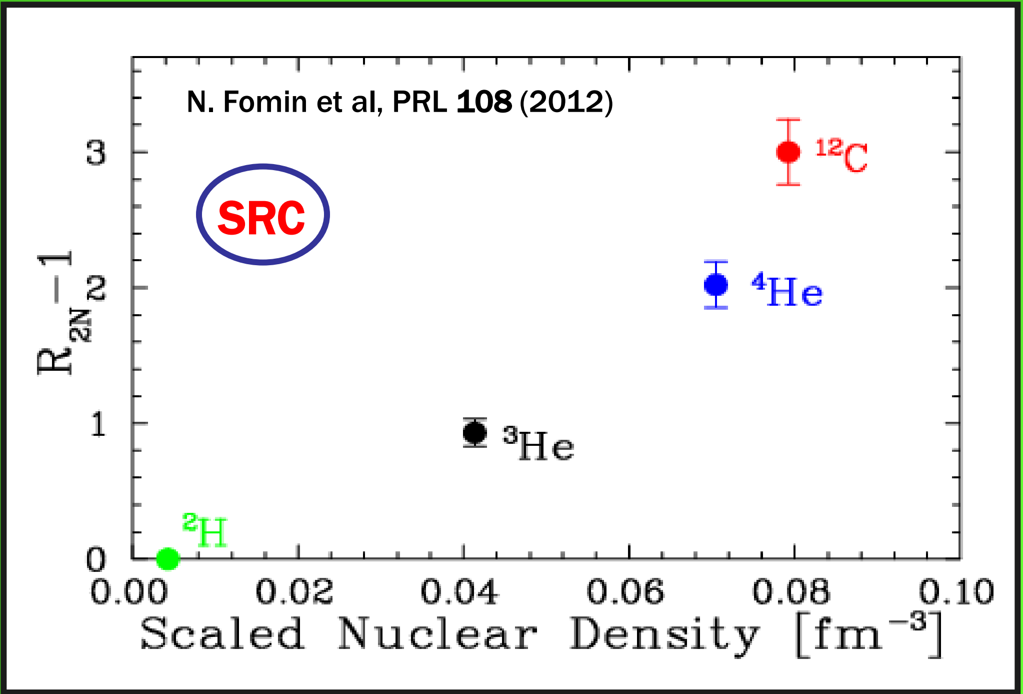


Common Density (or A) dependence
→ linear correlation makes sense





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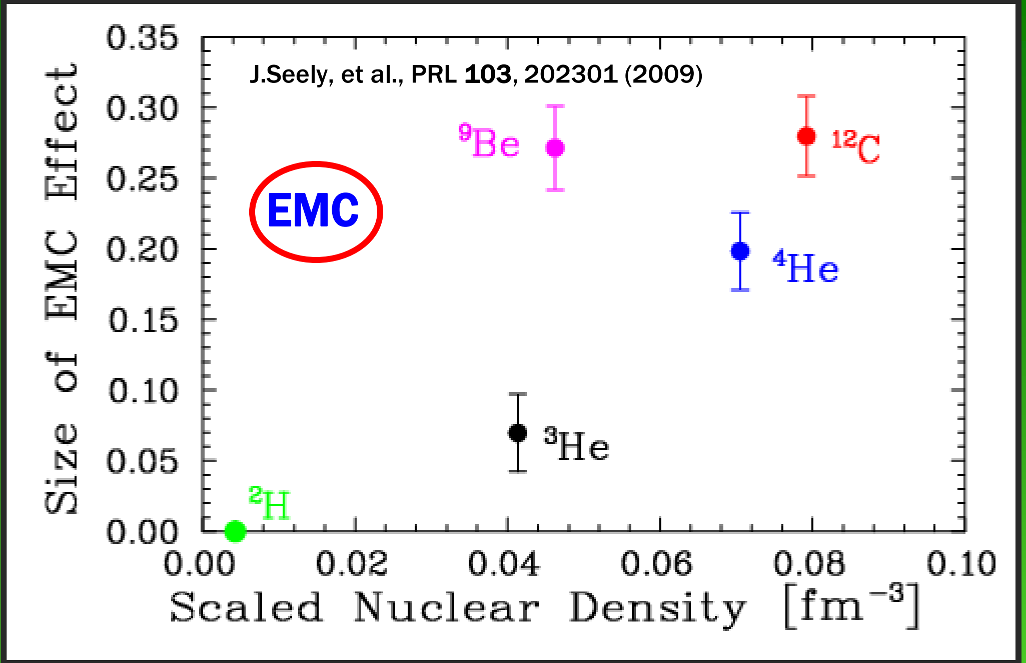

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EMC
Size of EMC Effect
Scaled Nuclear Density [fm^{-3}]
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0.20
0.15
0.10
0.05
0.00
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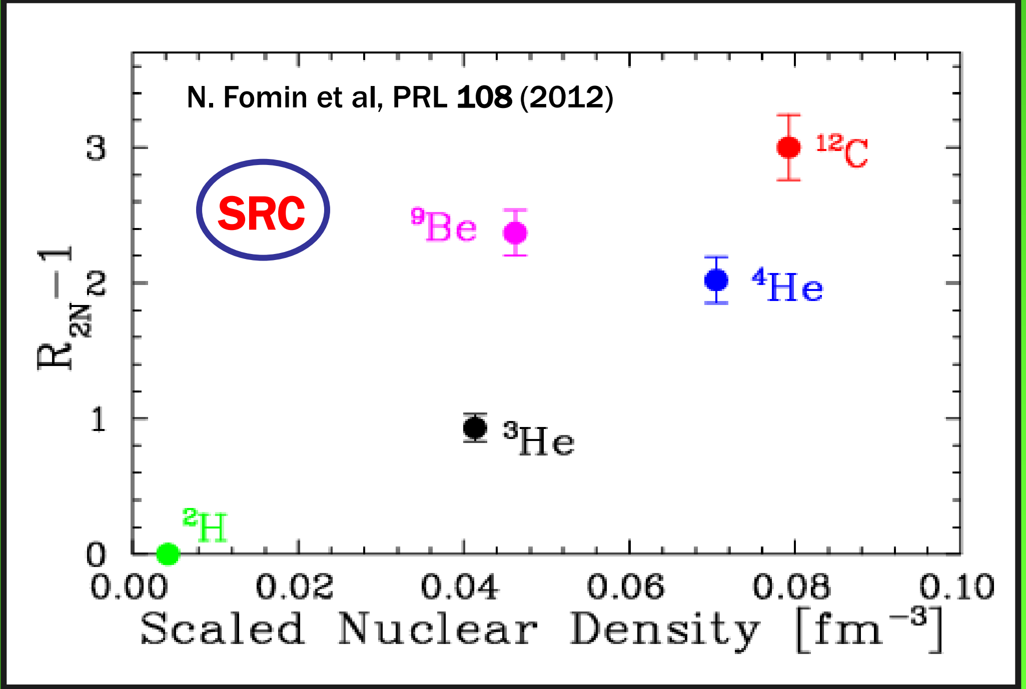

N. Fomin et al, PRL 108 (2012)
SRC
$R_{2N}-1$
Scaled Nuclear Density [fm^{-3}]
3
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^{3}He
^{2}H

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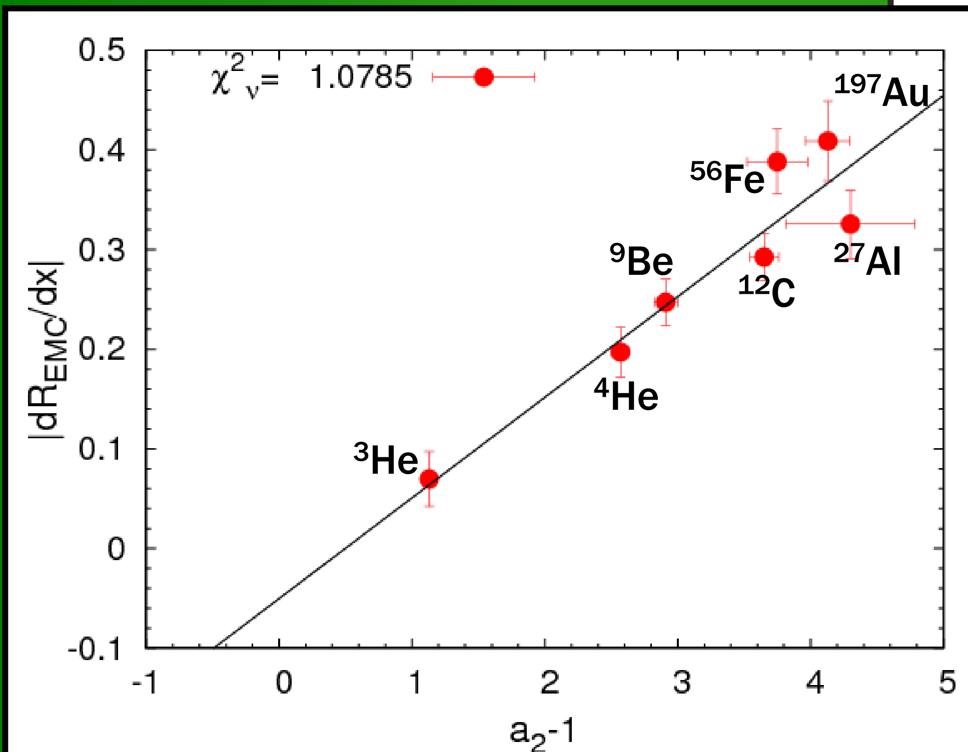
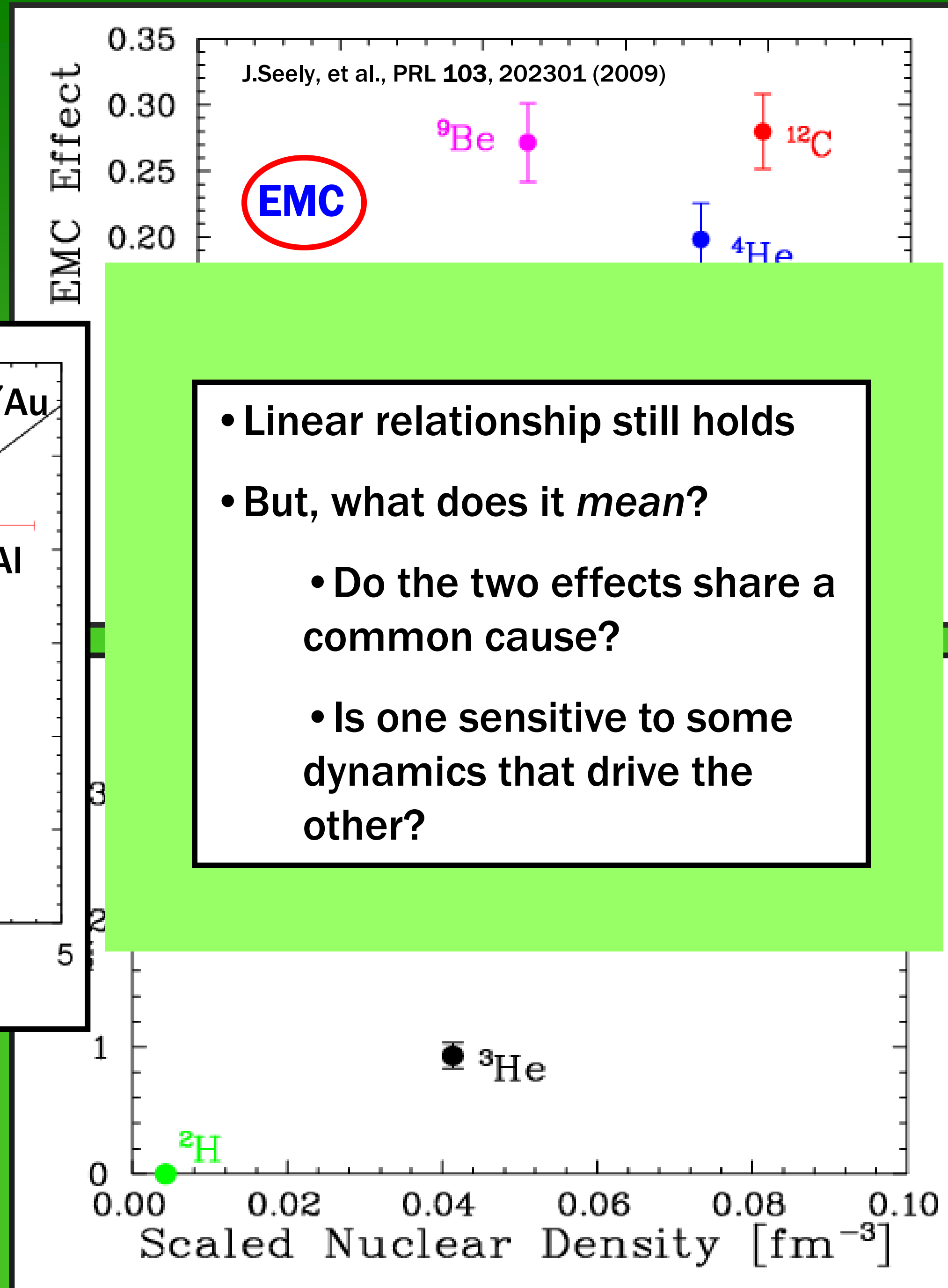


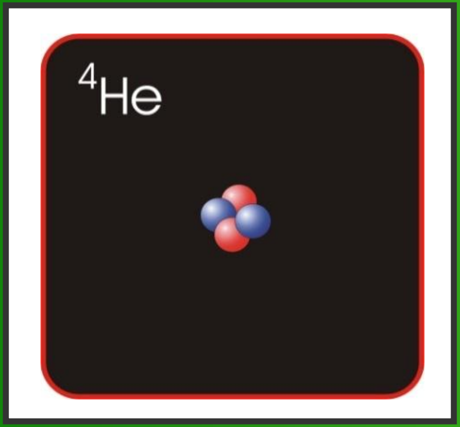


- **Linear relationship still holds**
- **But, what does it *mean*?**
    - **Do the two effects share a common cause?**
    - **Is one sensitive to some dynamics that drive the other?**

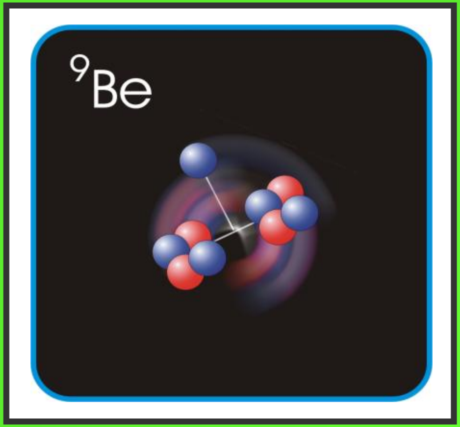
Two Hypotheses

1. Both quantities reflect ***virtuality*** of the nucleons (*L. Weinstein et al, PRL 106:052301,2011*)
   - a_2 measures the relative high momentum tail – good for testing virtuality
   - dR_{EMC}/dx – relevant quantity

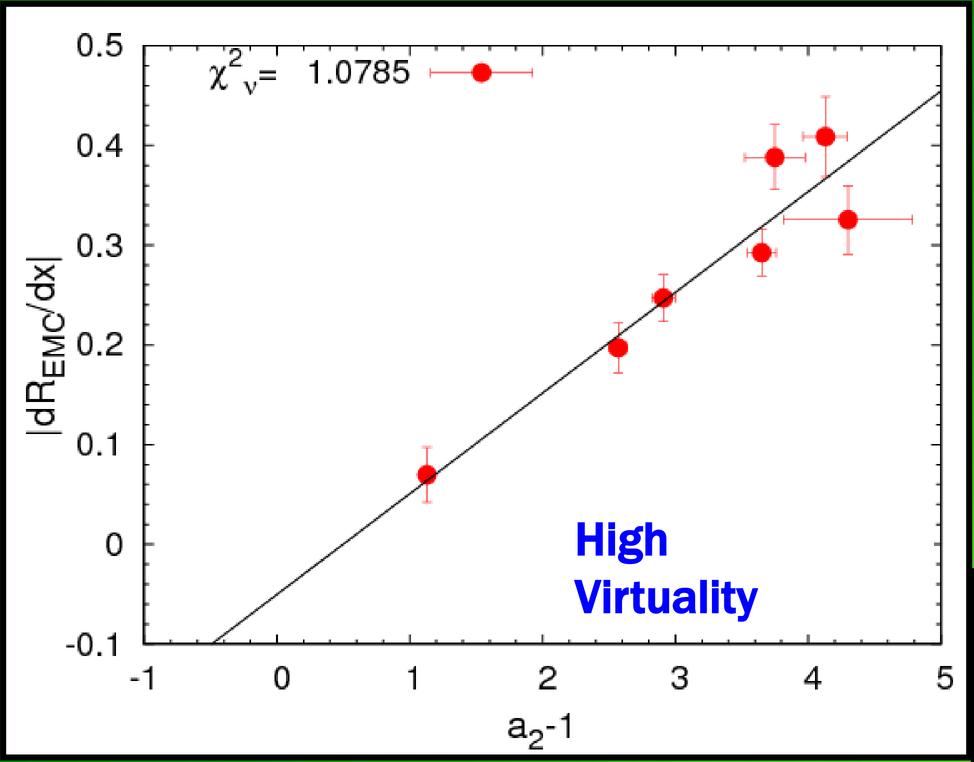
2. EMC effect is driven by ***"local density"***
   - SRCs are sensitive to high density configurations, but MUST remove the center of mass motion smearing to get R_{2N}
     – measure of correlated pairs relative to the deuteron
   - EMC effect samples ***all*** the nucleons, whereas R_{2N} is only sensitive to *np* pairs, a subset of all possible NN configurations
     - If we're going to use SRCs as a measure of local density, must scale R_{2N} by N_{total}/N_{iso}.



Now that we have the relevant quantities, we can test the two hypotheses



Two hypotheses



1. Both quantities reflect ***virtuality*** of the nucleons (*L. Weinstein et al, PRL 106:052301,2011*)
   - ***a_2 is a measure of high momentum nucleons relative to the deuteron***

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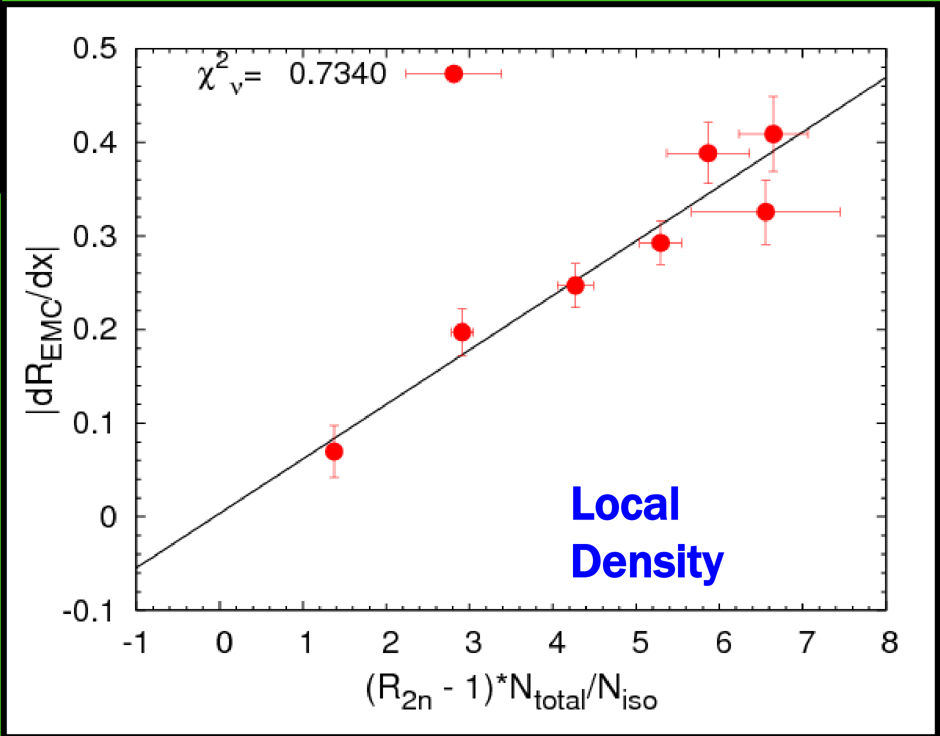

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Each hypothesis is tested with 3 types of fits:

1) 2-parameter linear fit, no deuteron constraint
2) 1-parameter fit, strict deuteron constraint
3) 2–parameter fit, deuteron constraint, partial accounting for correlated errors within a given experiment

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$$\left.\frac{dR_{IMC}}{dx}\right|_D = \left.\frac{dR_{EMC}}{dx}\right|_{a_2 = 0} - \left|\frac{dR_{EMC}}{dx}\right|_D$$

IMC effect → in-medium correction effect, the ratio of the DIS cross section per nucleon bound in a nucleus relative to the free (unbound) pn pair cross section

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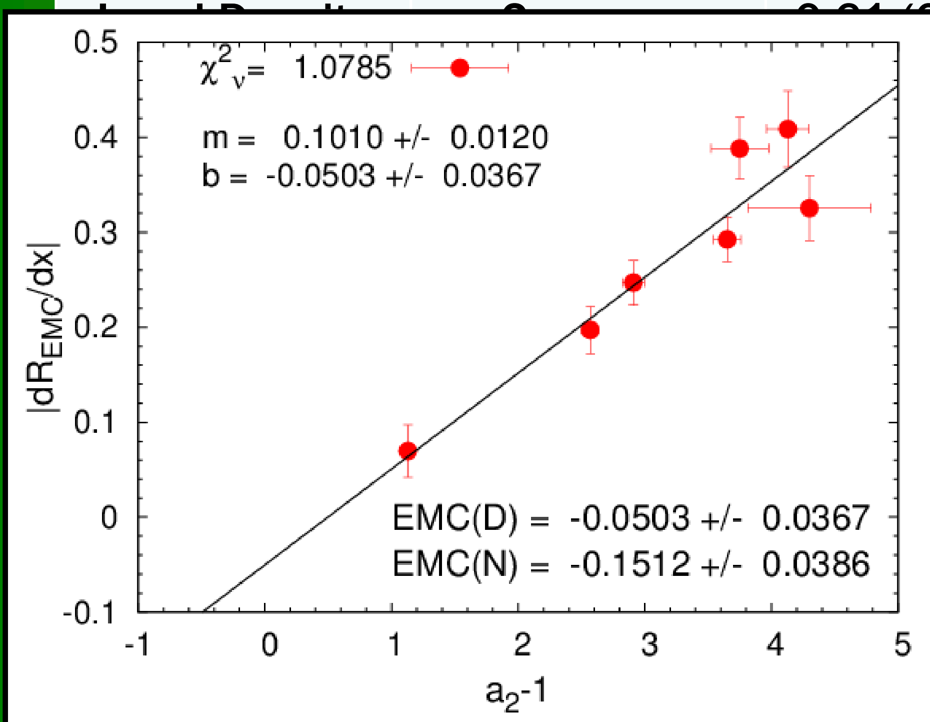

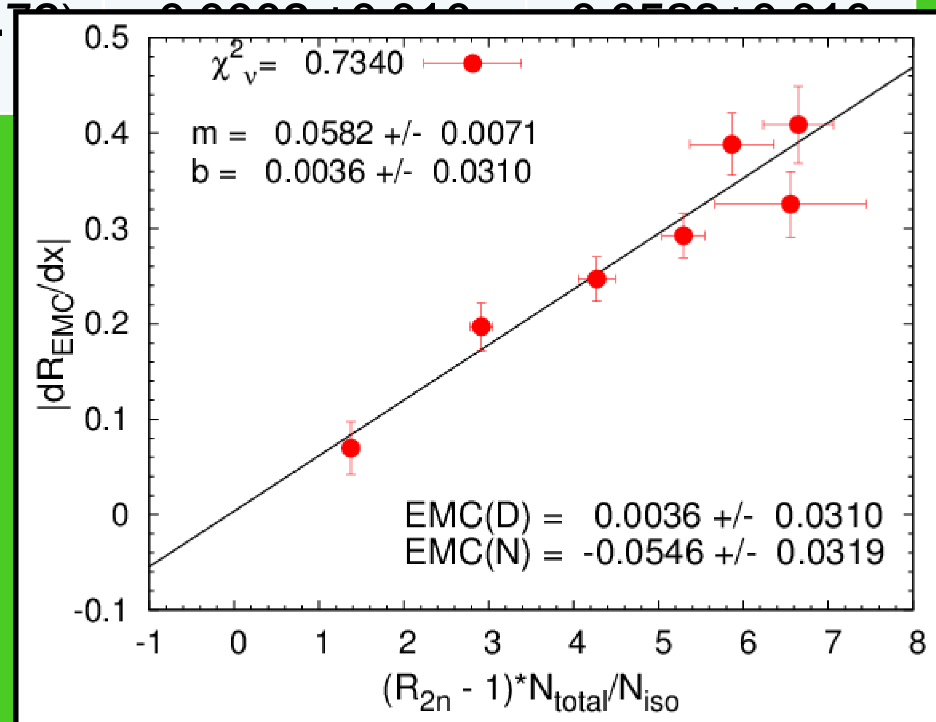

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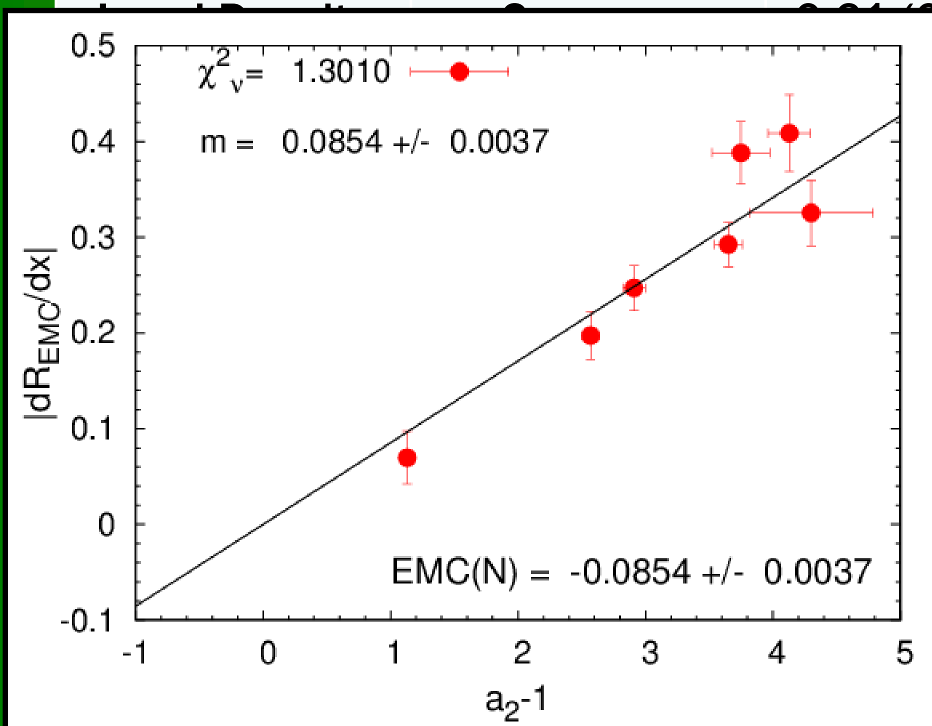

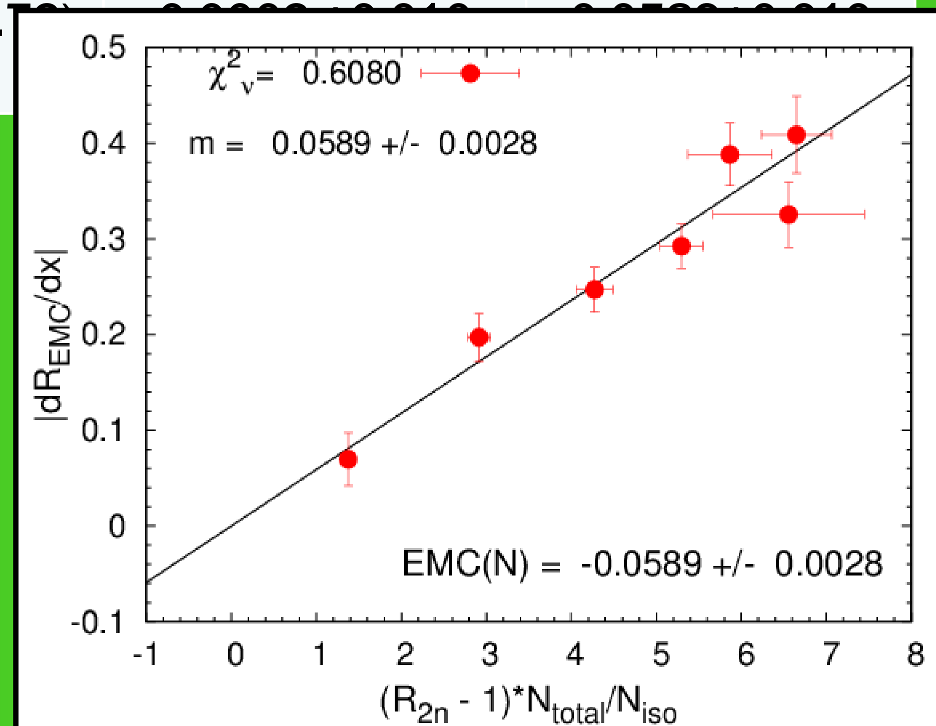

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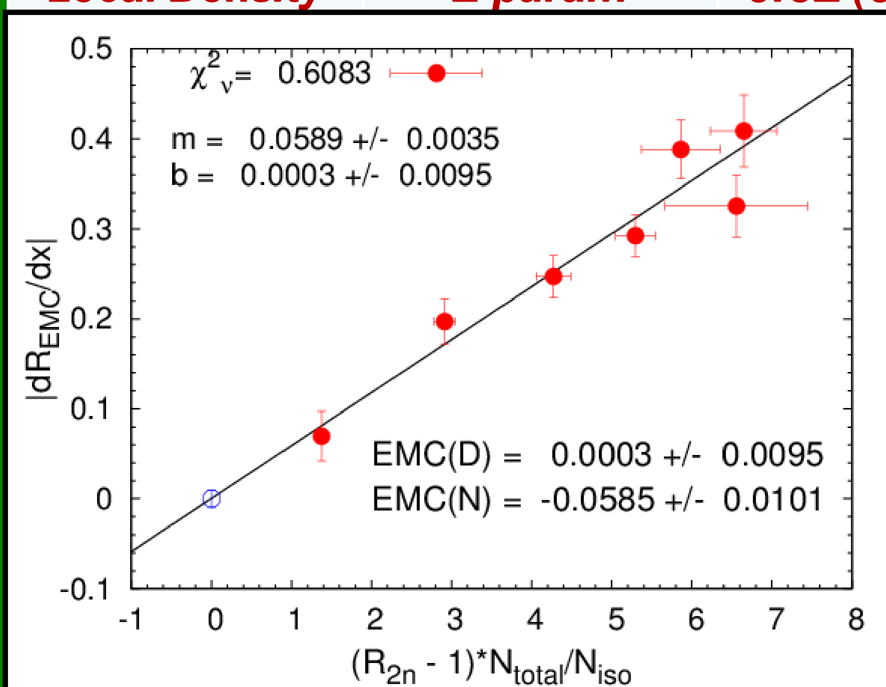

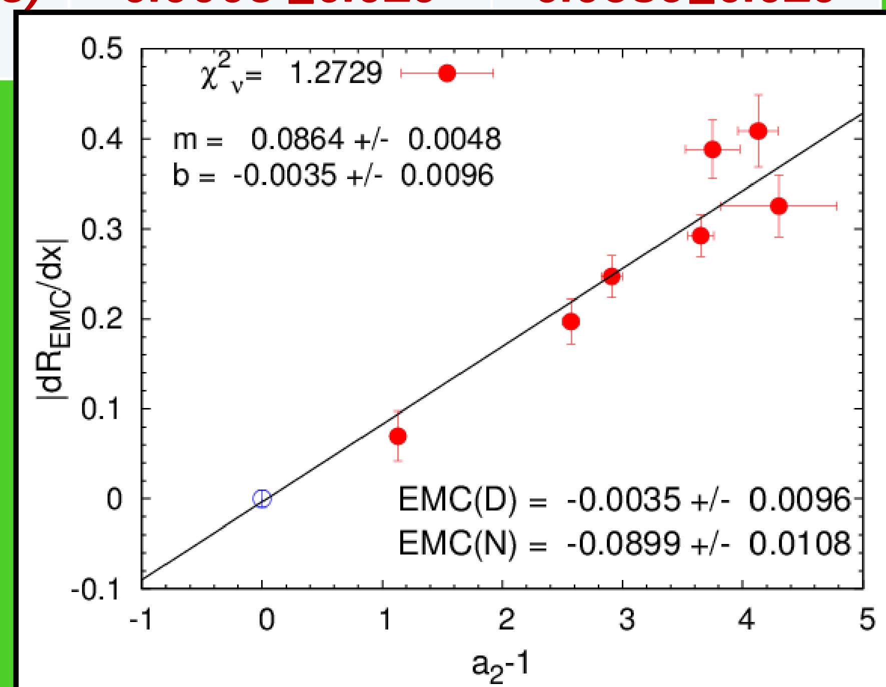

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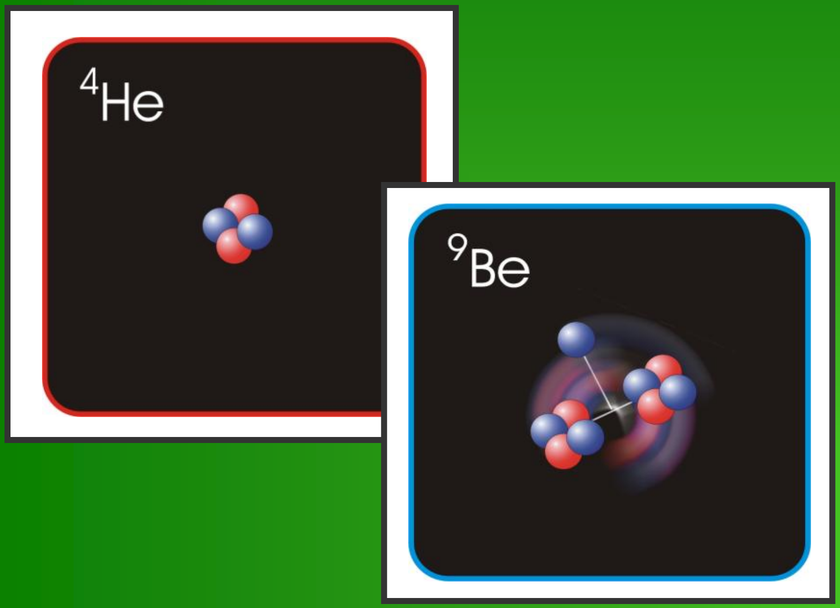

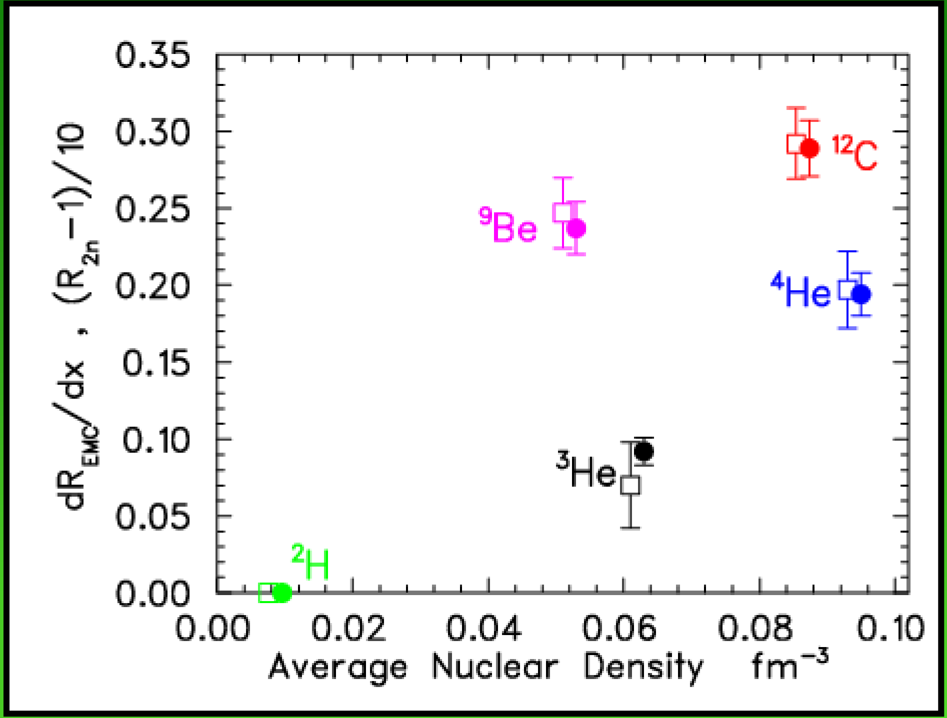

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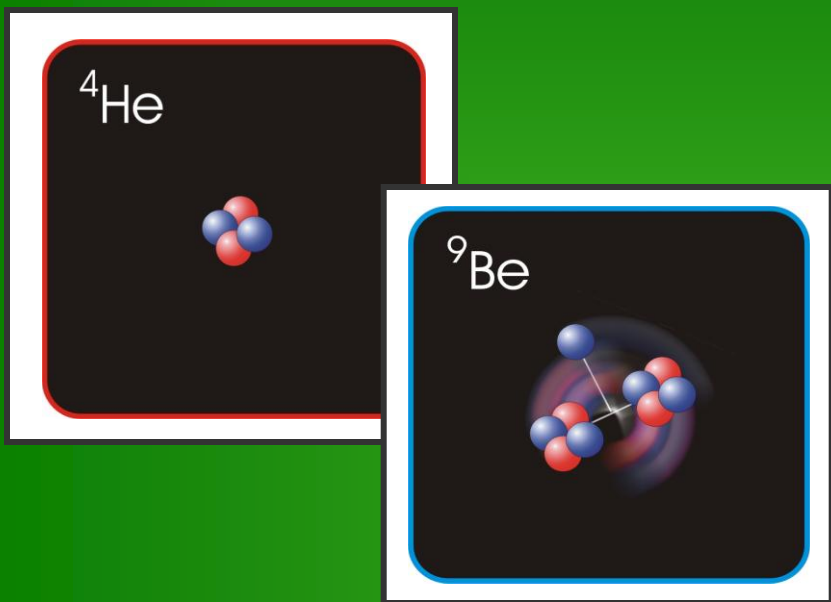

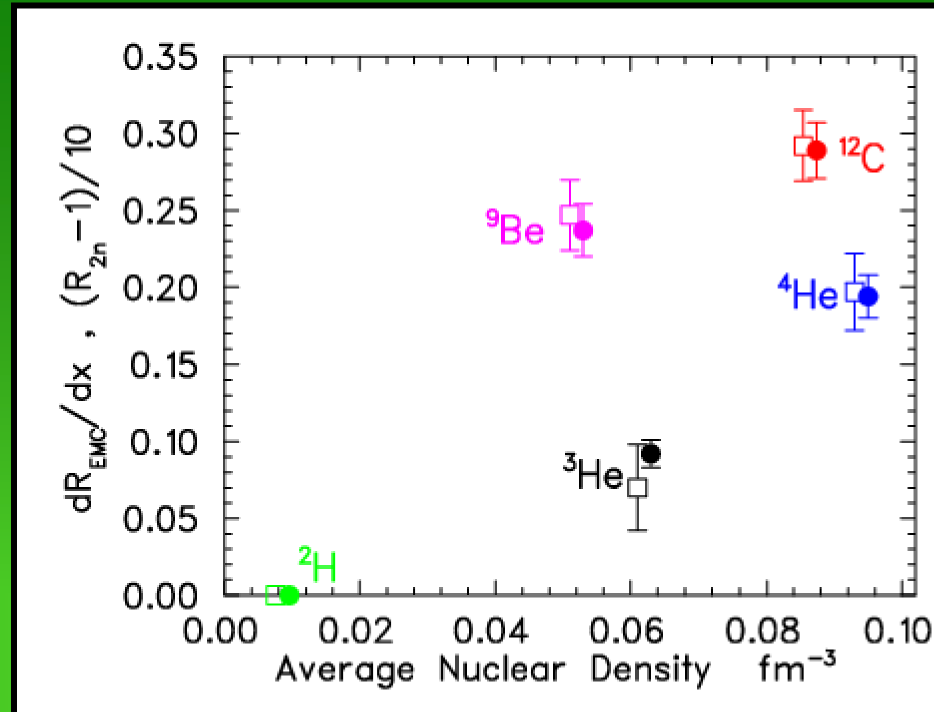

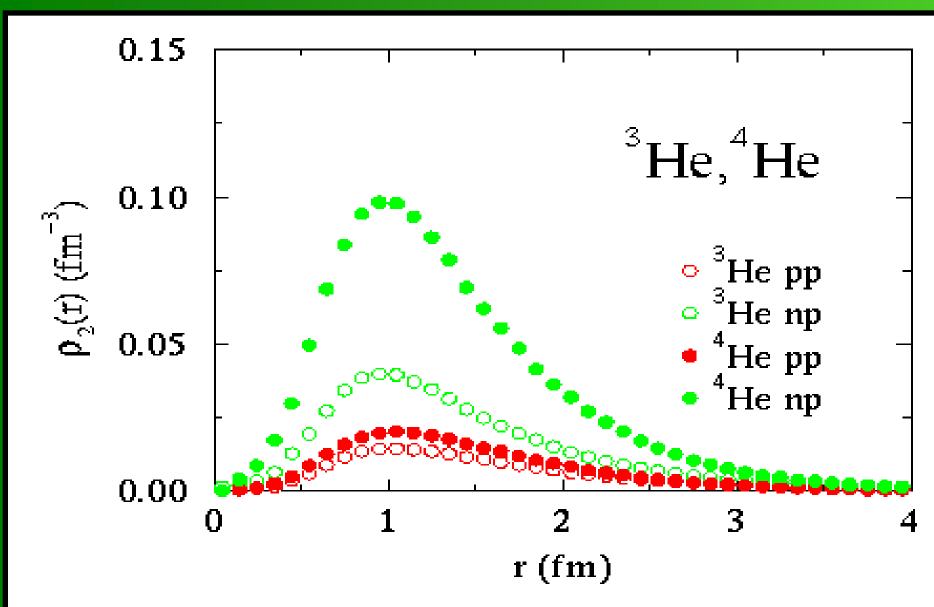

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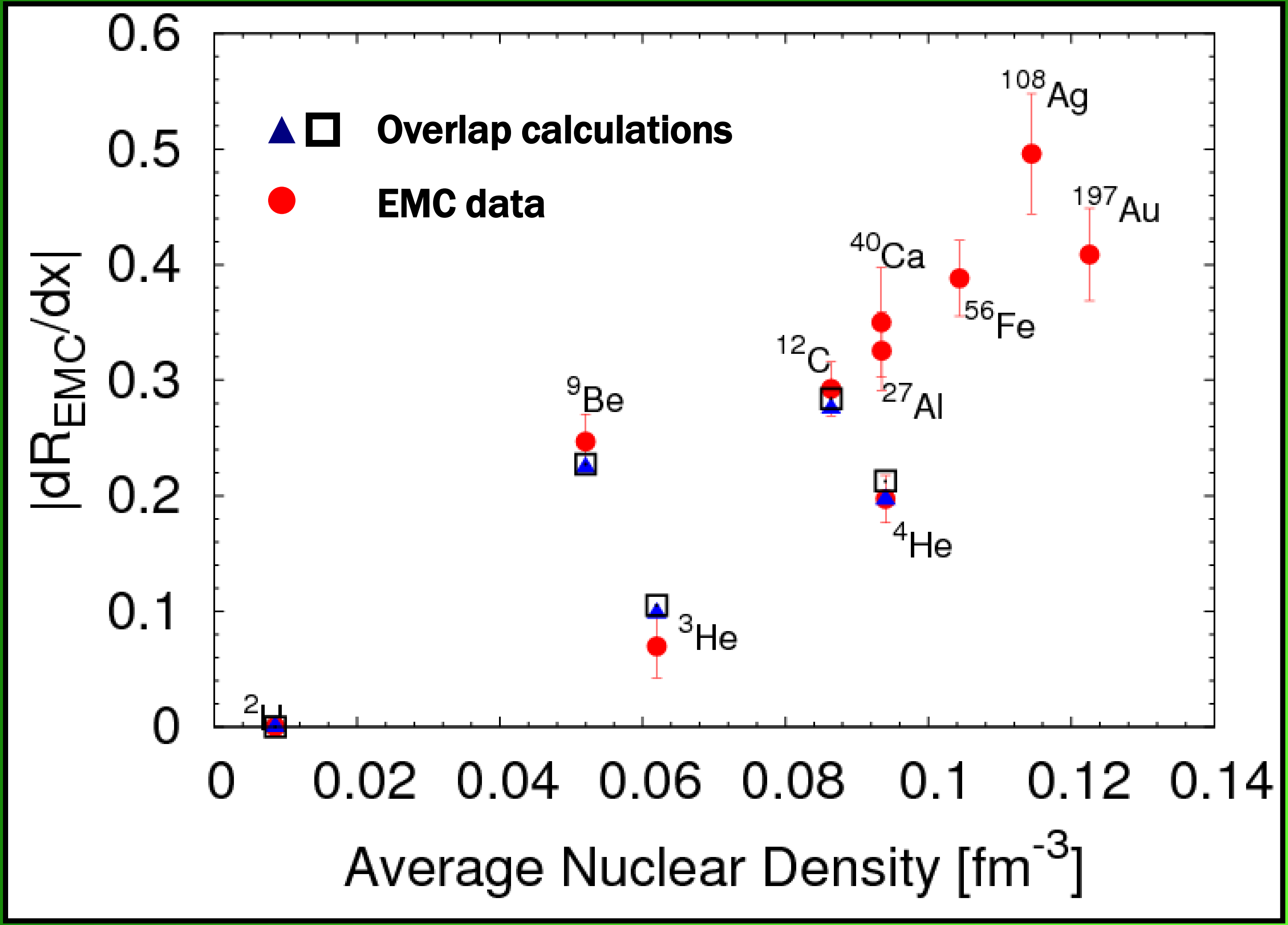
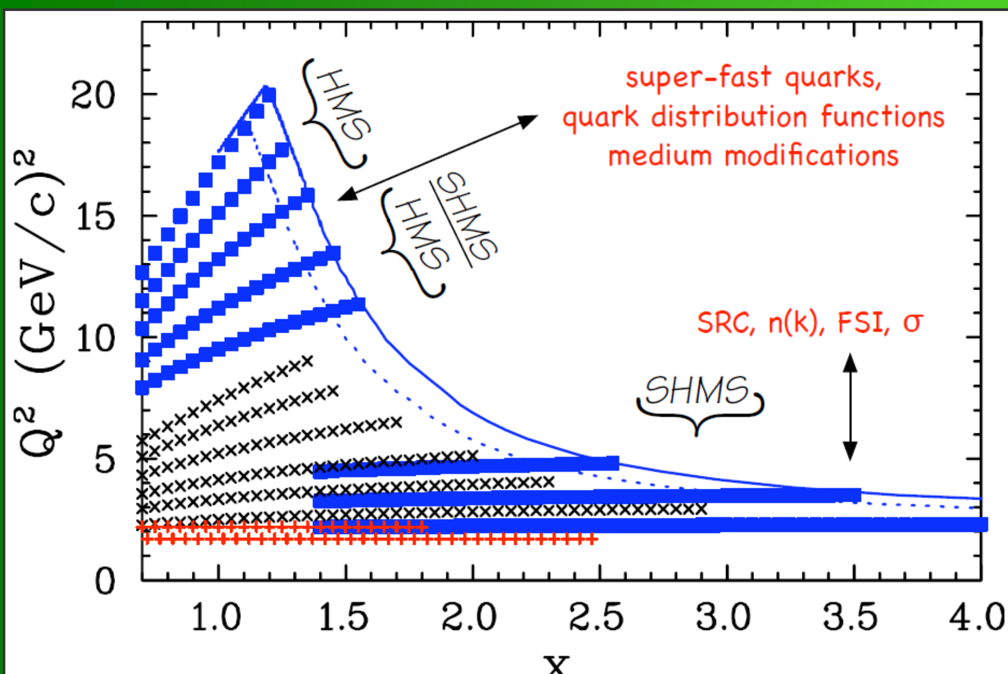
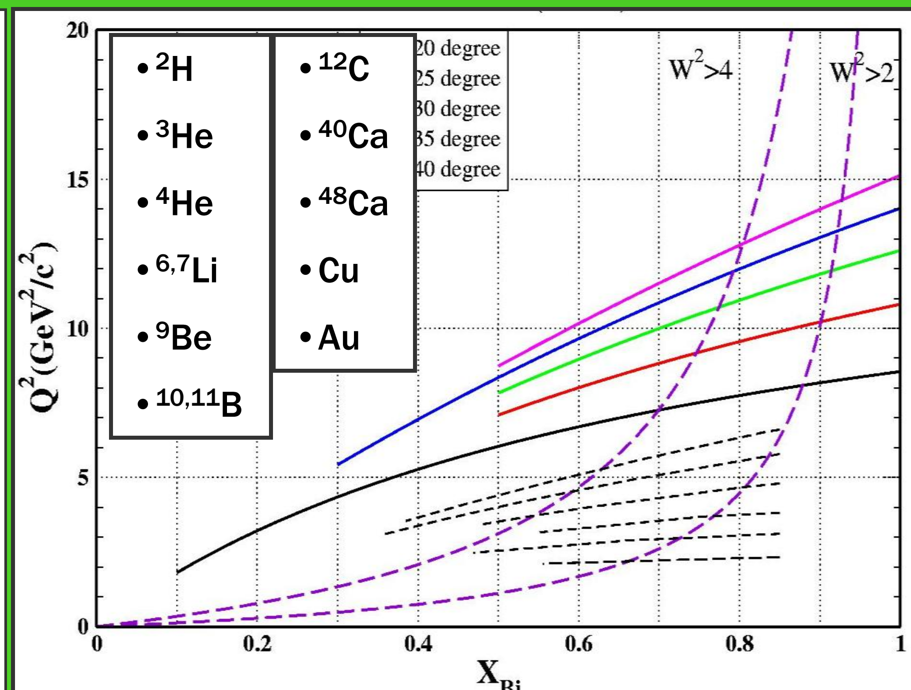
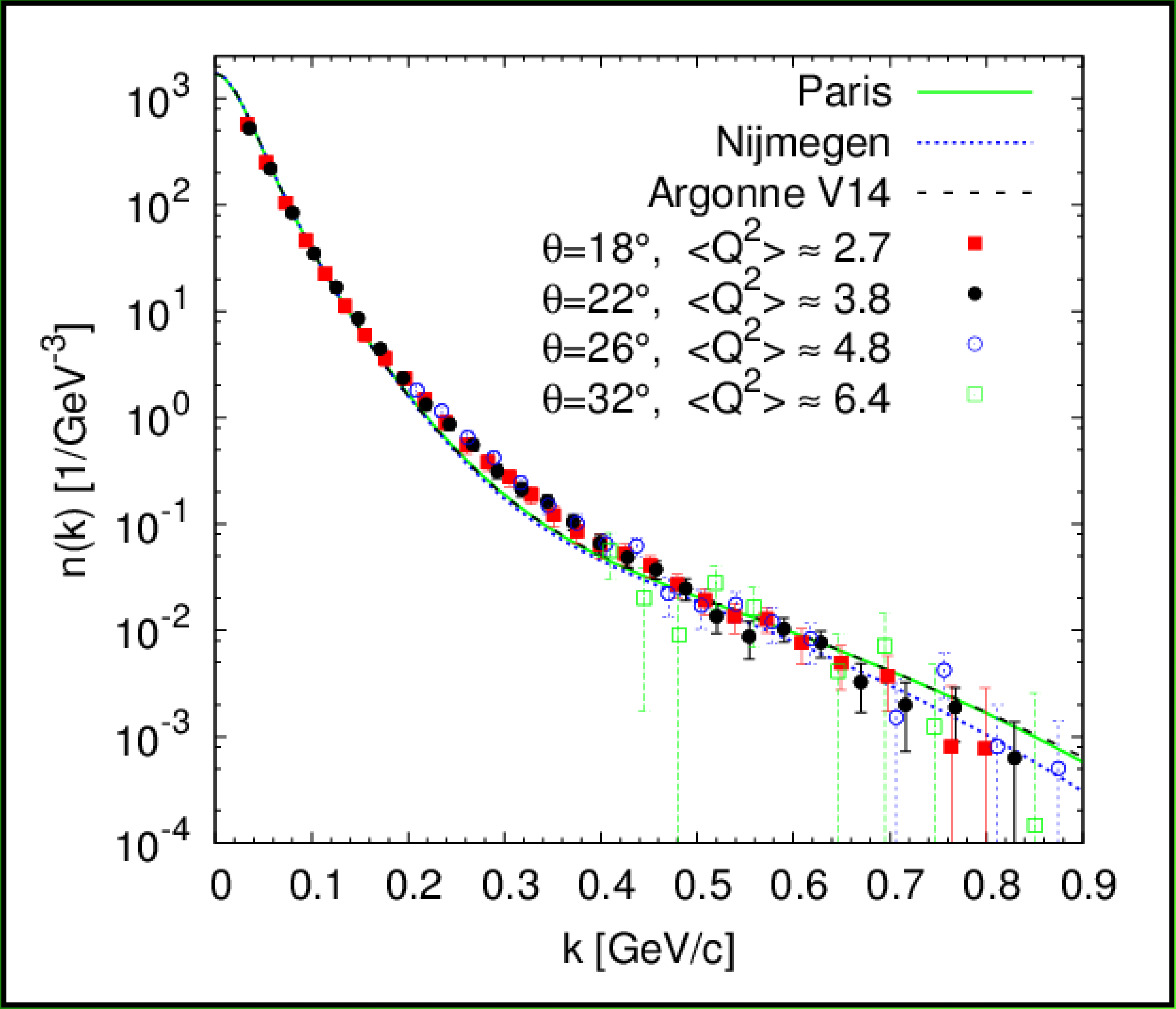


Summary

- New results suggest a local density dependence of the EMC effect as well as SRCs
- These hints and suggestions need to be further investigated with new experiments, focusing on light targets
  - E12-06-105 (x>1) approved at Jlab
  - E12-10-008 (EMC effect) approved at Jlab






Paris
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θ=18°, <Q^2> ≈ 2.7
θ=22°, <Q^2> ≈ 3.8
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θ=32°, <Q^2> ≈ 6.4
n(k) [1/GeV^-3]
k [GeV/c]
10^3
10^2
10^1
10^0
10^-1
10^-2
10^-3
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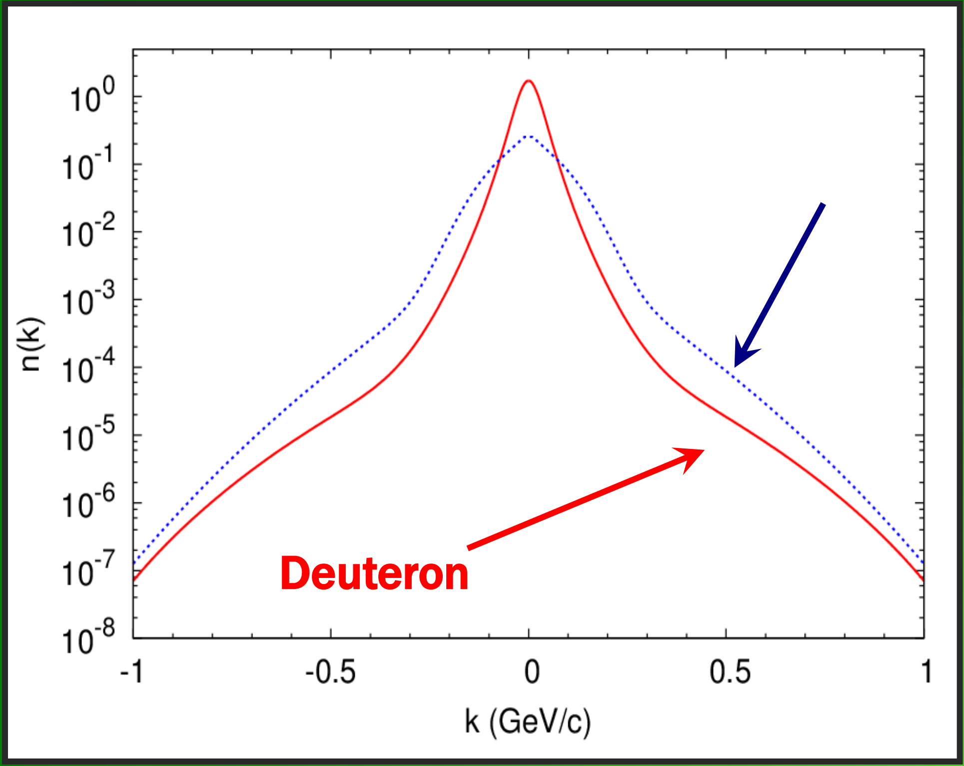

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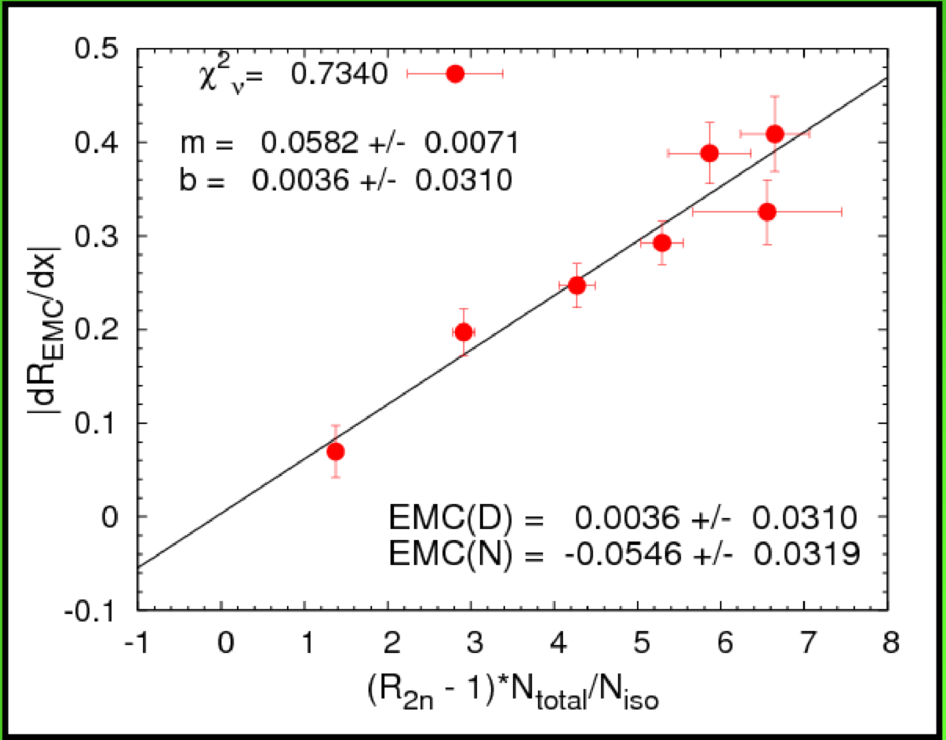
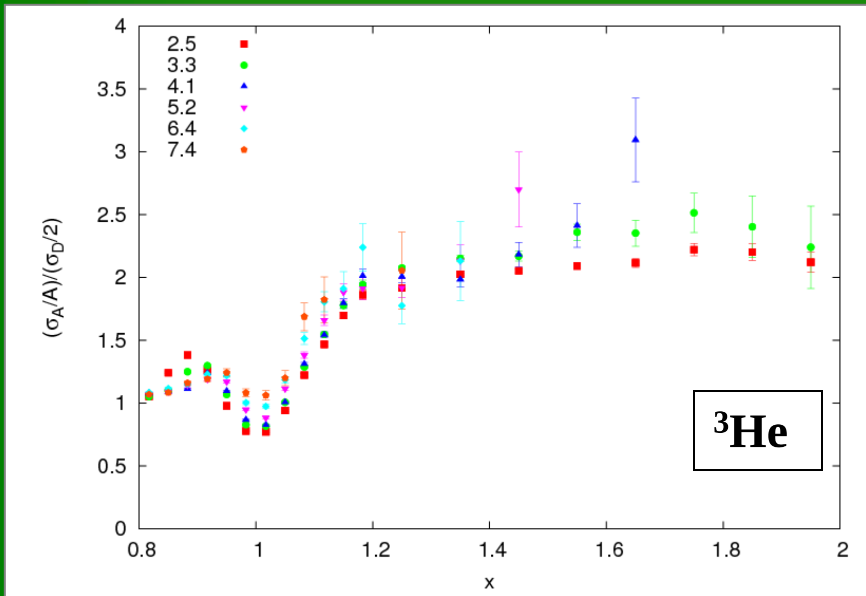
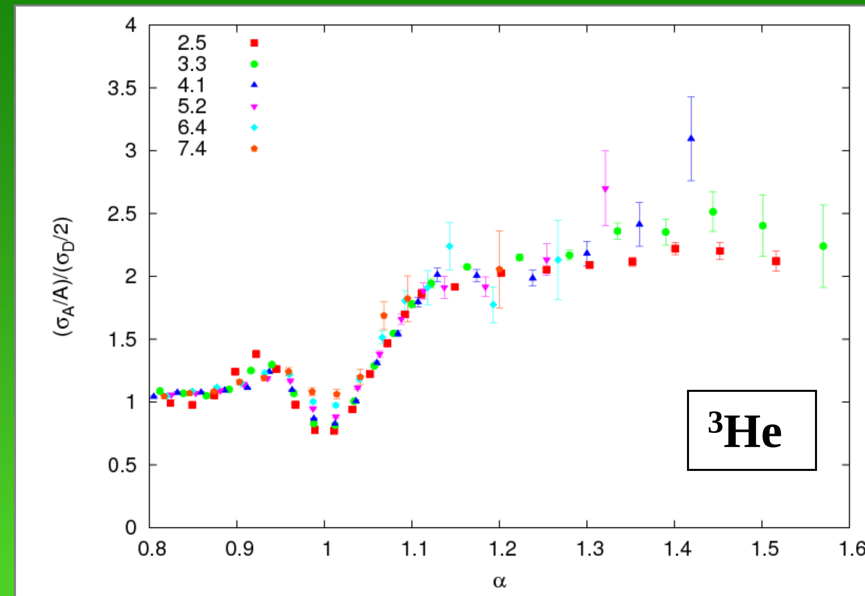
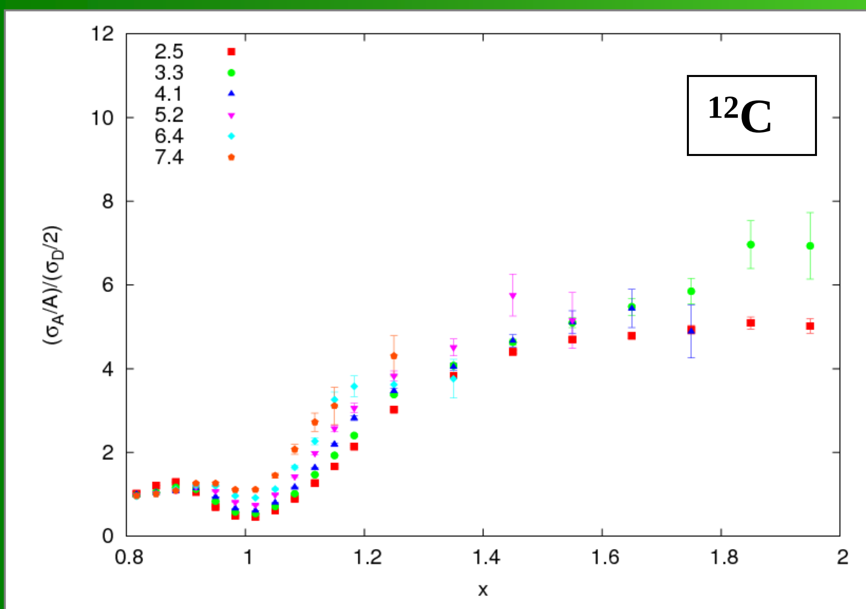


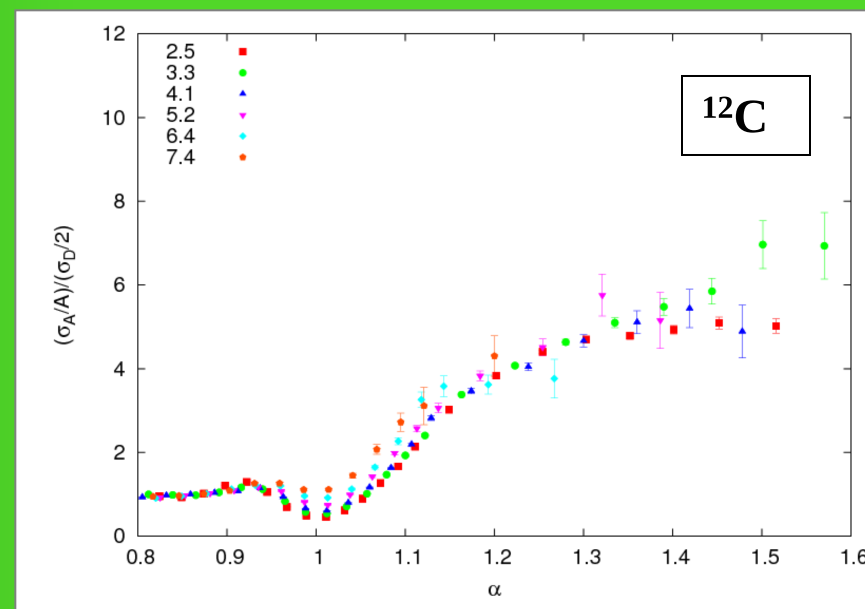
E02-019 2N Ratios

$$\alpha = 2 - \frac{q^{-} + 2M}{2M}\left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{W^2 - 4M^2}}{W}\right)$$

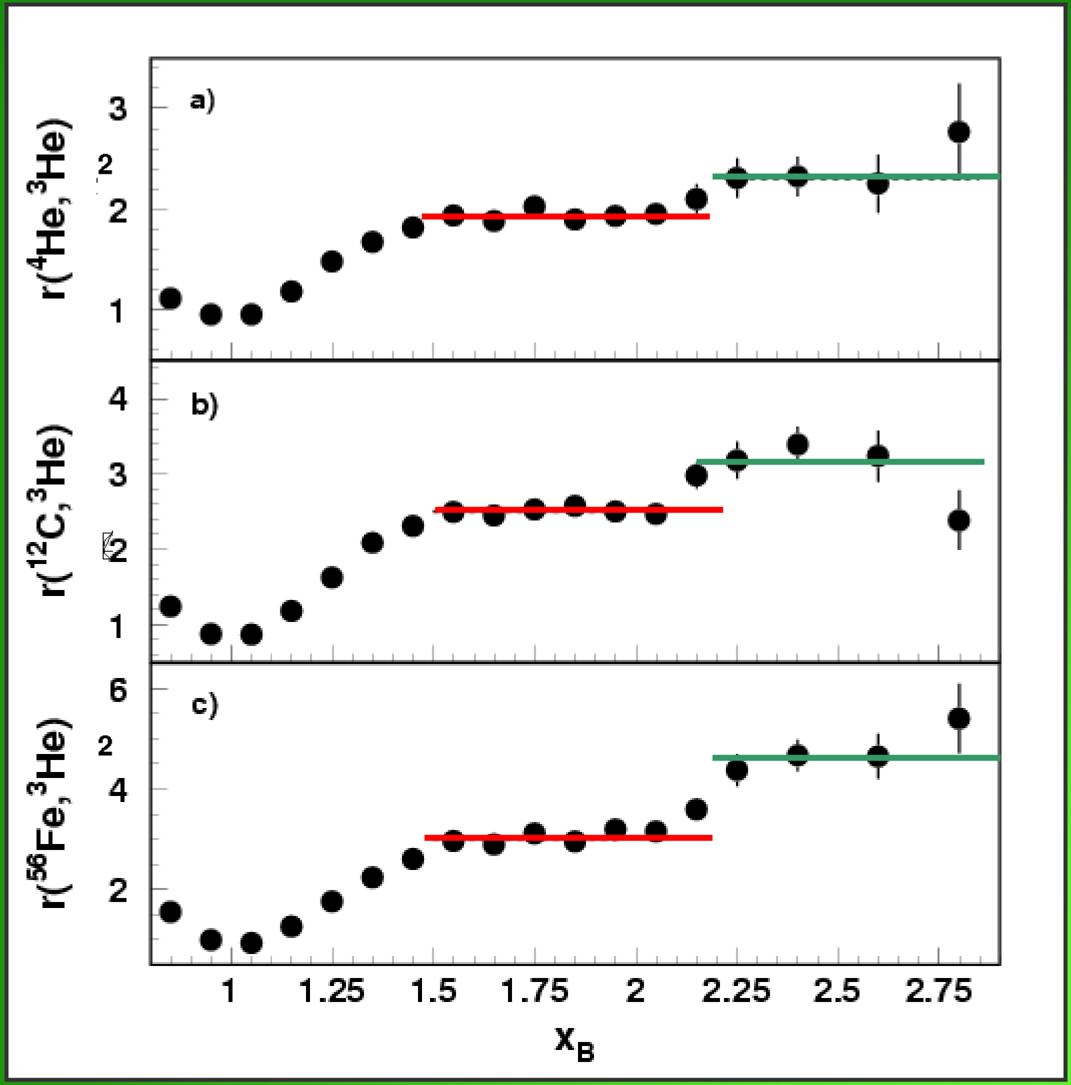








Short Range Correlations – 3N



Egiyan et al, PRL 96, 2006

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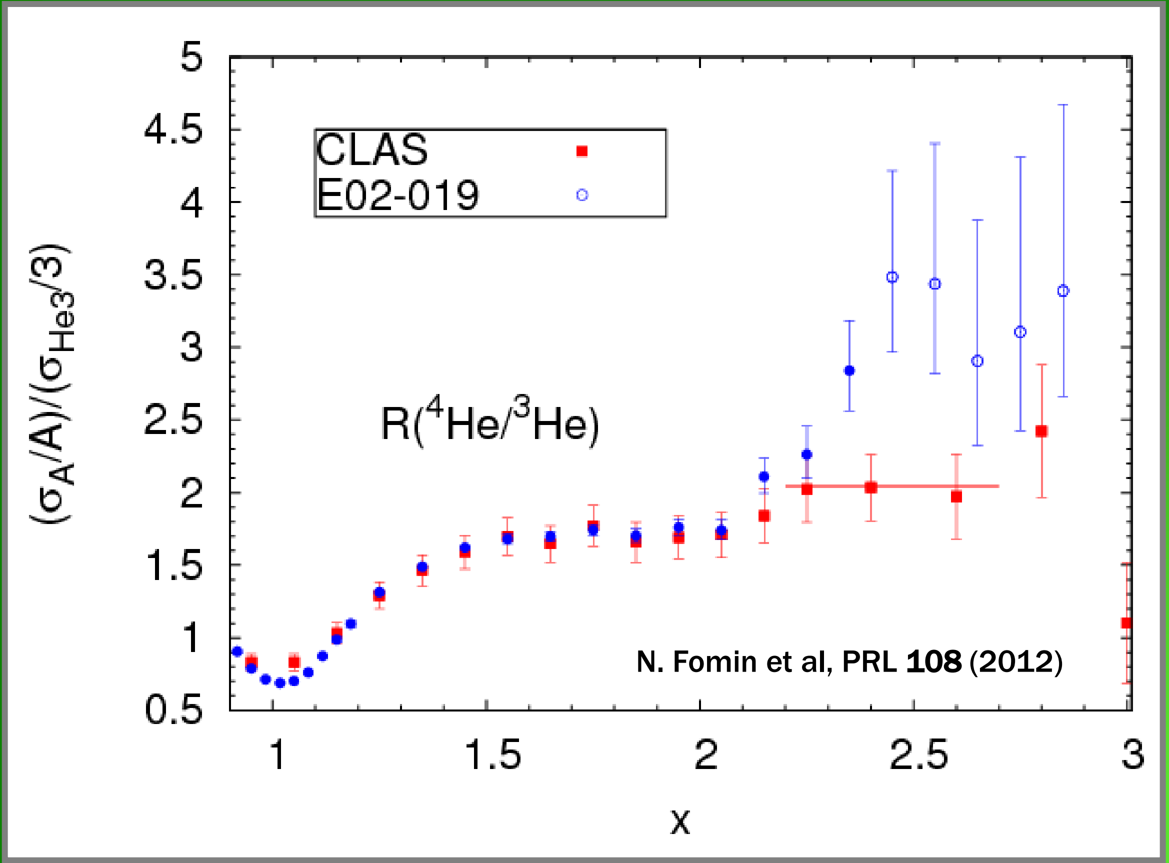
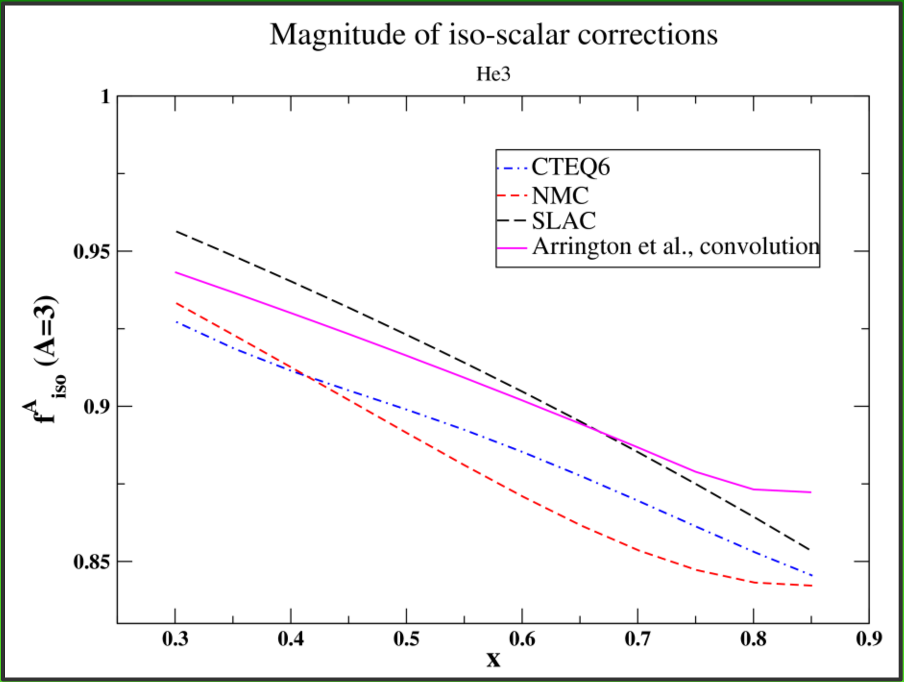


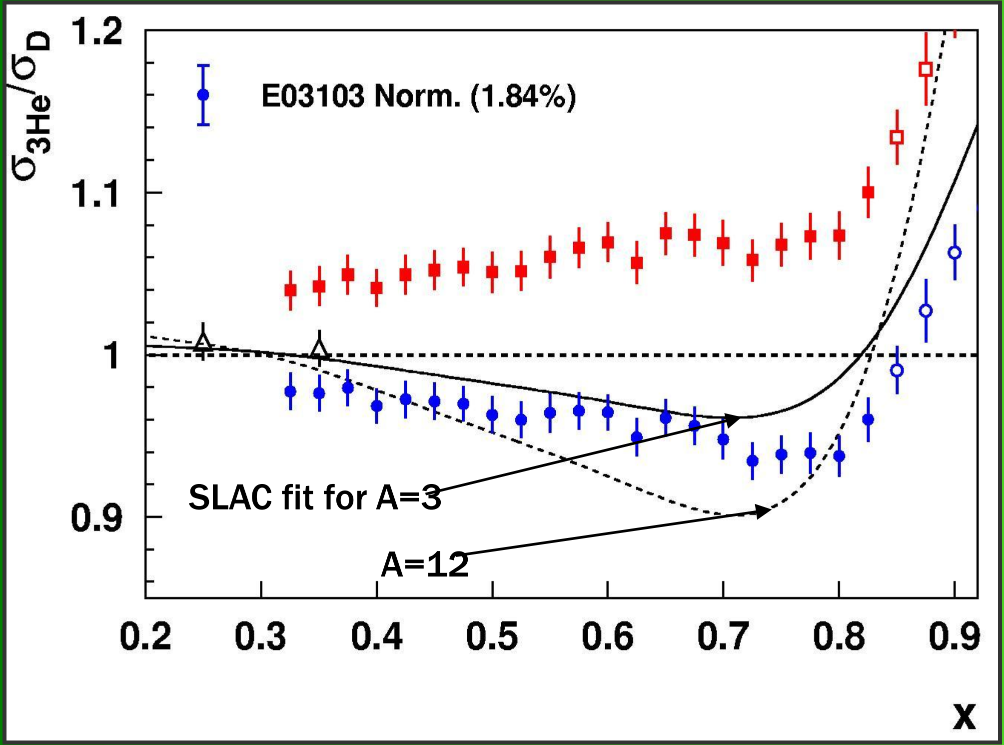
$\langle Q^2 \rangle$ (GeV^2)
CLAS: 1.6
E02-019: 2.7

- Excellent agreement for x≤2
- Very different approaches to 3N plateau, later onset of scaling for E02-019
- Very similar behavior for heavier targets

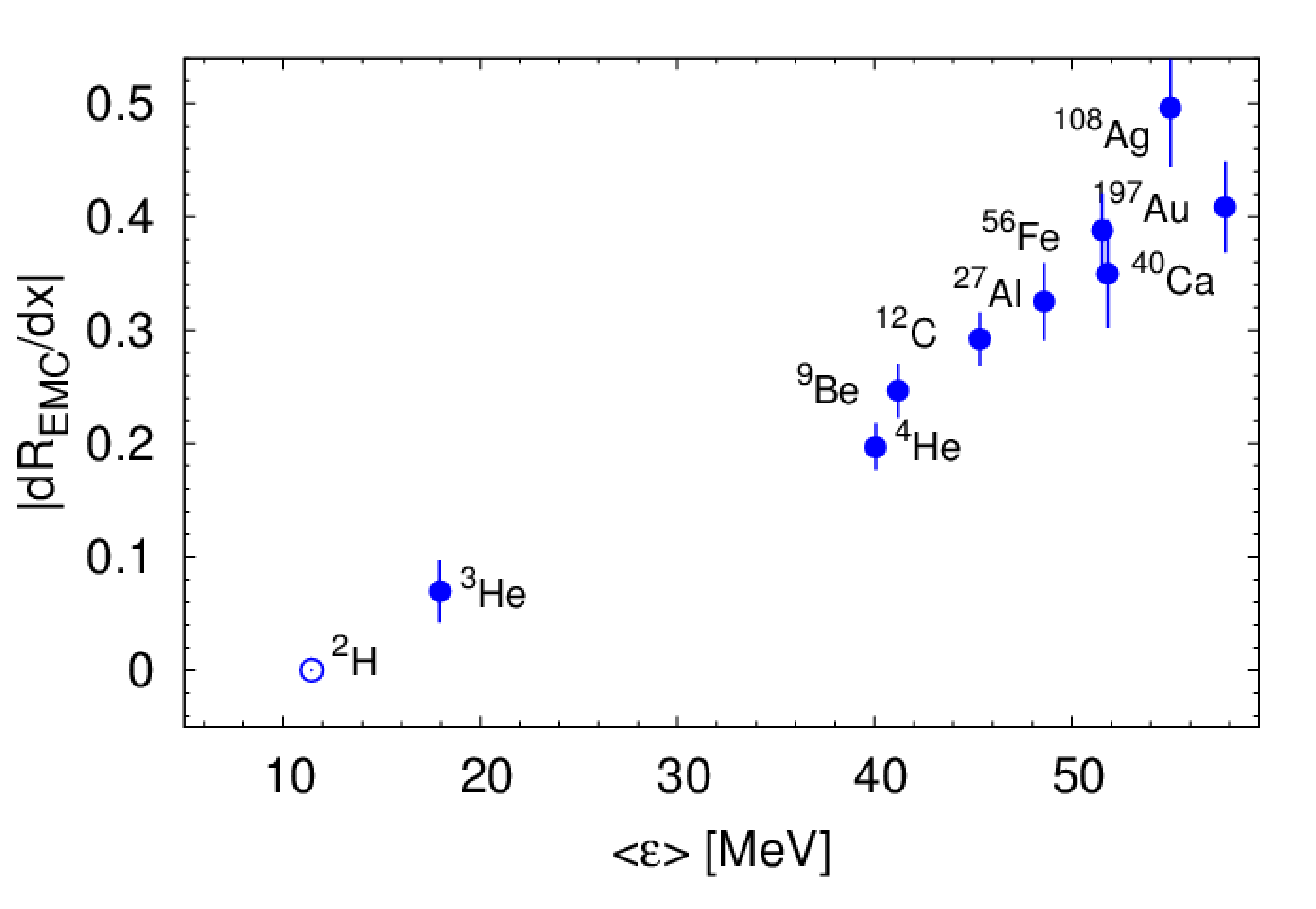
Isoscalar Correction if Z≠P

$$Cor_{iso} = \frac{(Z\sigma_p + N\sigma_n)/A}{(\sigma_p + \sigma_n)/2}$$





- No free neutron target → extraction of F_2^n/F_2^p is model-dependent
- For E03-103, F_2^n/F_2^p for bound nucleons was used



|dR_EMC/dx|
0.5
0.4
0.3
0.2
0.1
0
10
20
30
40
50
<ε> [MeV]
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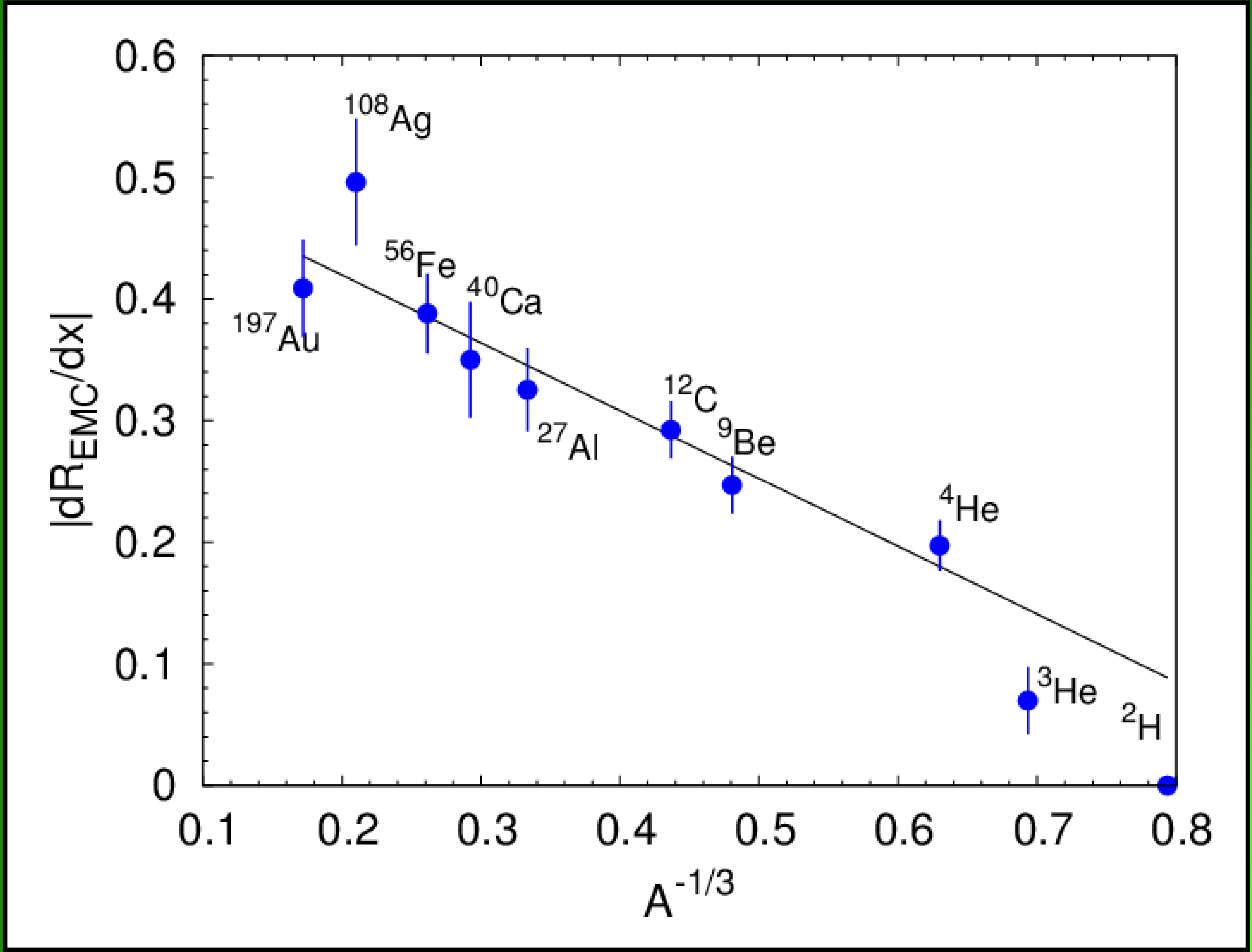
56Fe
40Ca
27Al
12C
9Be
4He
3He
2H



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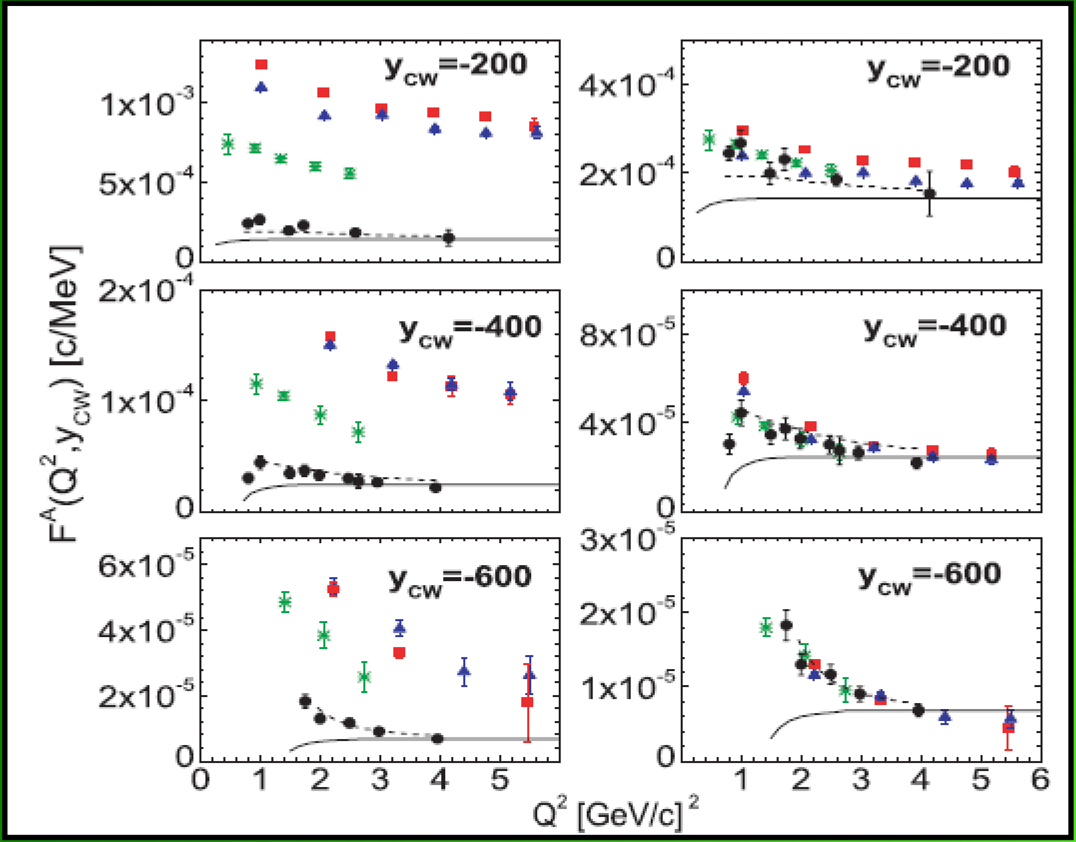
Rescaling of the Deuteron

$F_A(y) = C_n F_D(y)$



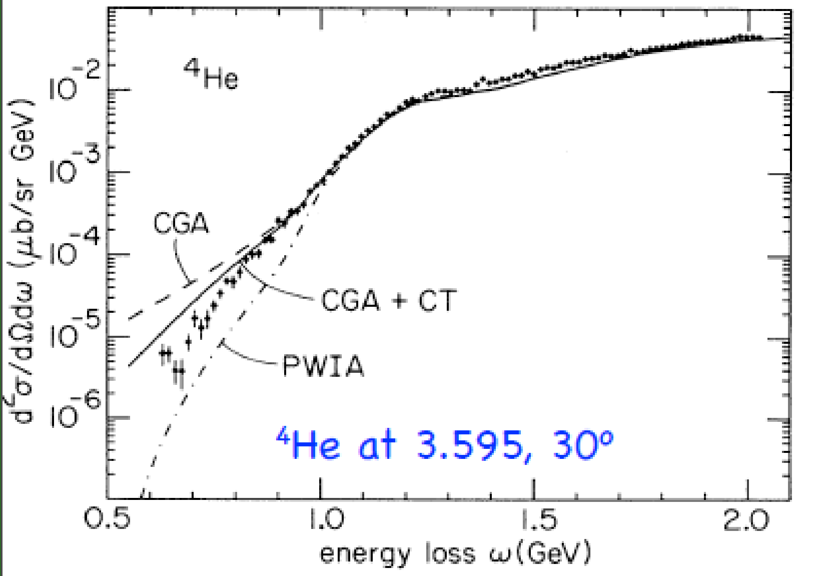
$F_A(y)$

$F_A(y)/C_n$

FSI in A>2 are identical to those in the deuteron, and match calculations

Ciofi degli Atti, Mezzetti, PRC79

Overestimate of cross sections



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