

# Nuclear Forces at Short Distances and Stability of the Neutron Stars

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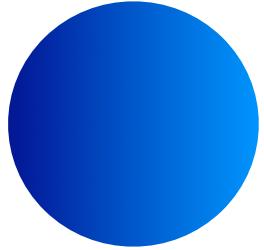
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## ■ High Density Fluctuations in Nuclei

## ■ What they can tell us about structure of Neutron Stars

High Energy Nuclear Physics

# Structure of the Nucleon

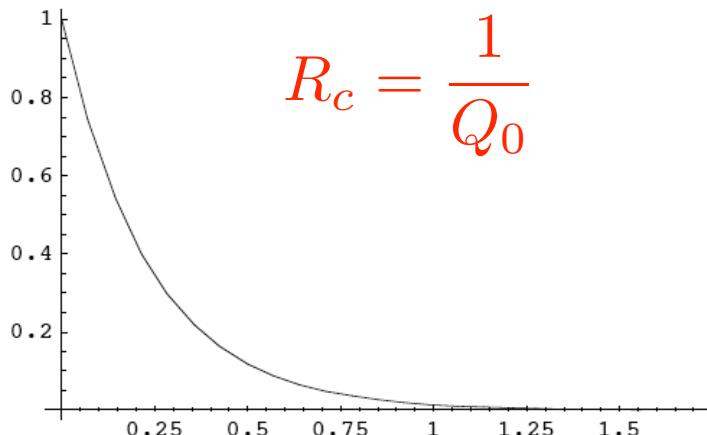


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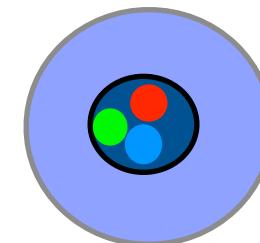
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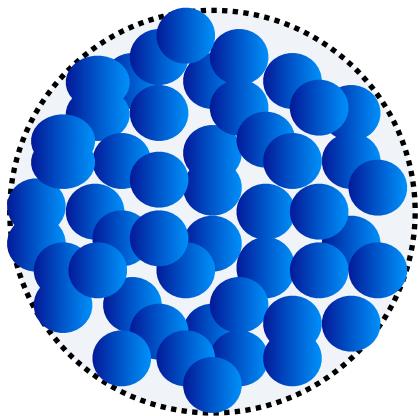
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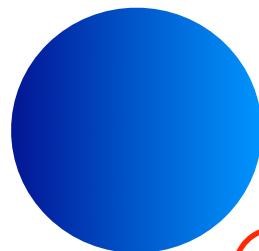


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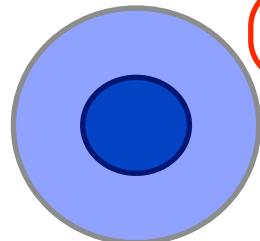
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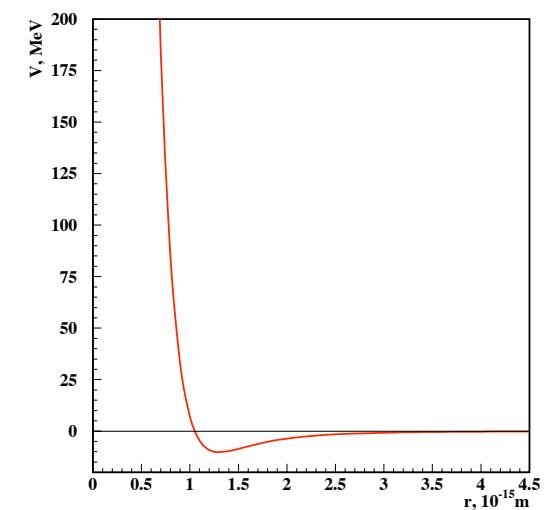
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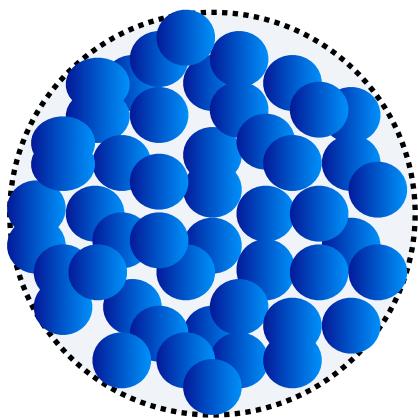


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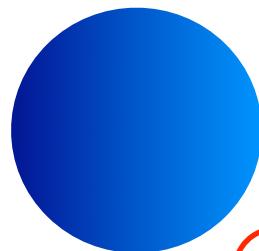


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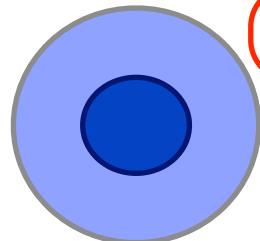
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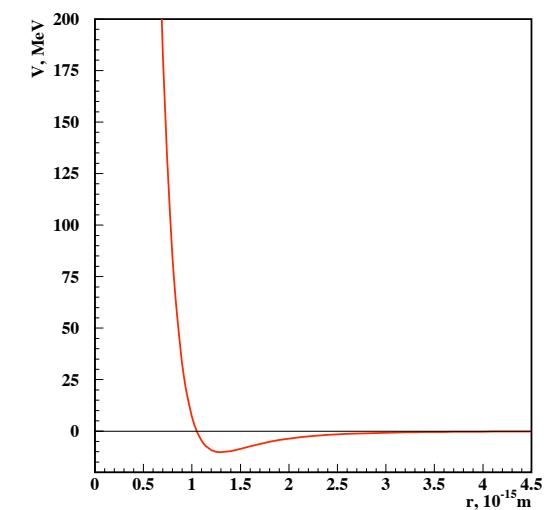
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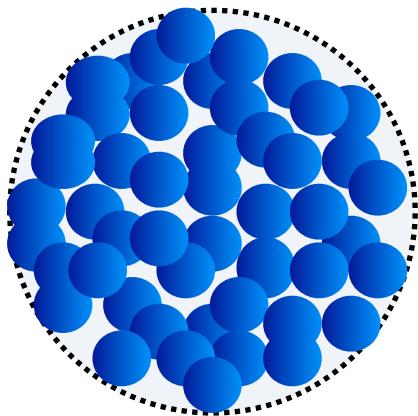


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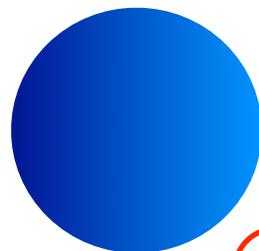


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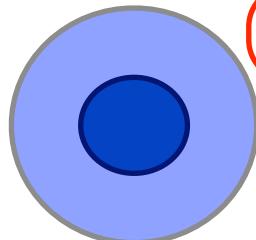
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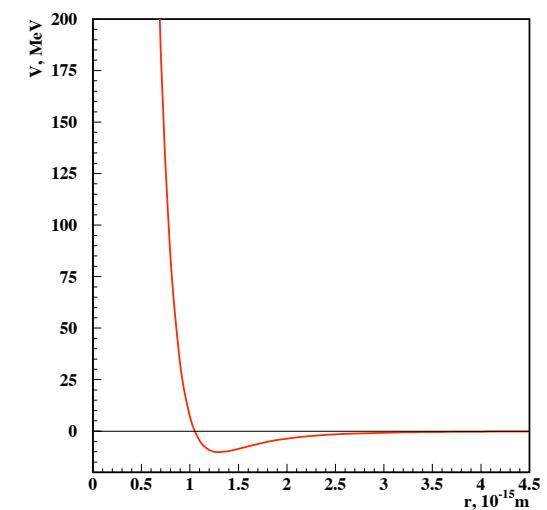
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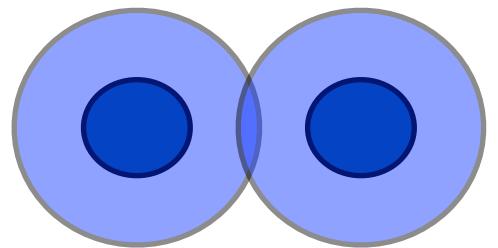
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$$\frac{\rho(r=0.3 fm)}{\rho_0} = 5.1$$

$$\frac{\rho(r=0.68 fm)}{\rho_0} = 1$$

$$\frac{\rho(r=0.84 fm)}{\rho_0} = 0.5$$



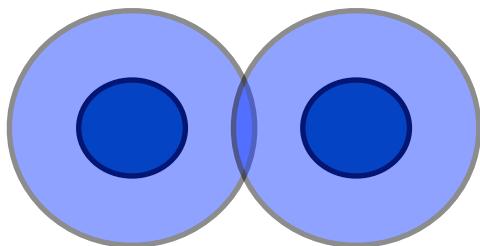
Quark Degrees of Freedom

$$r \sim 0.5 \div 0.3 fm$$

$$\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = 4 - 10$$

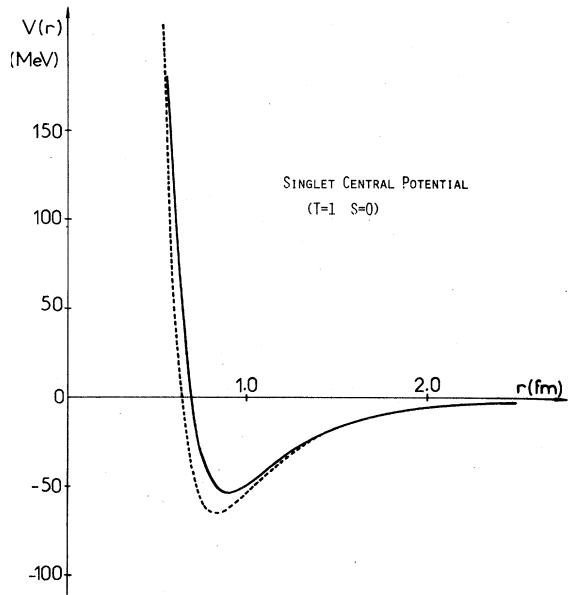
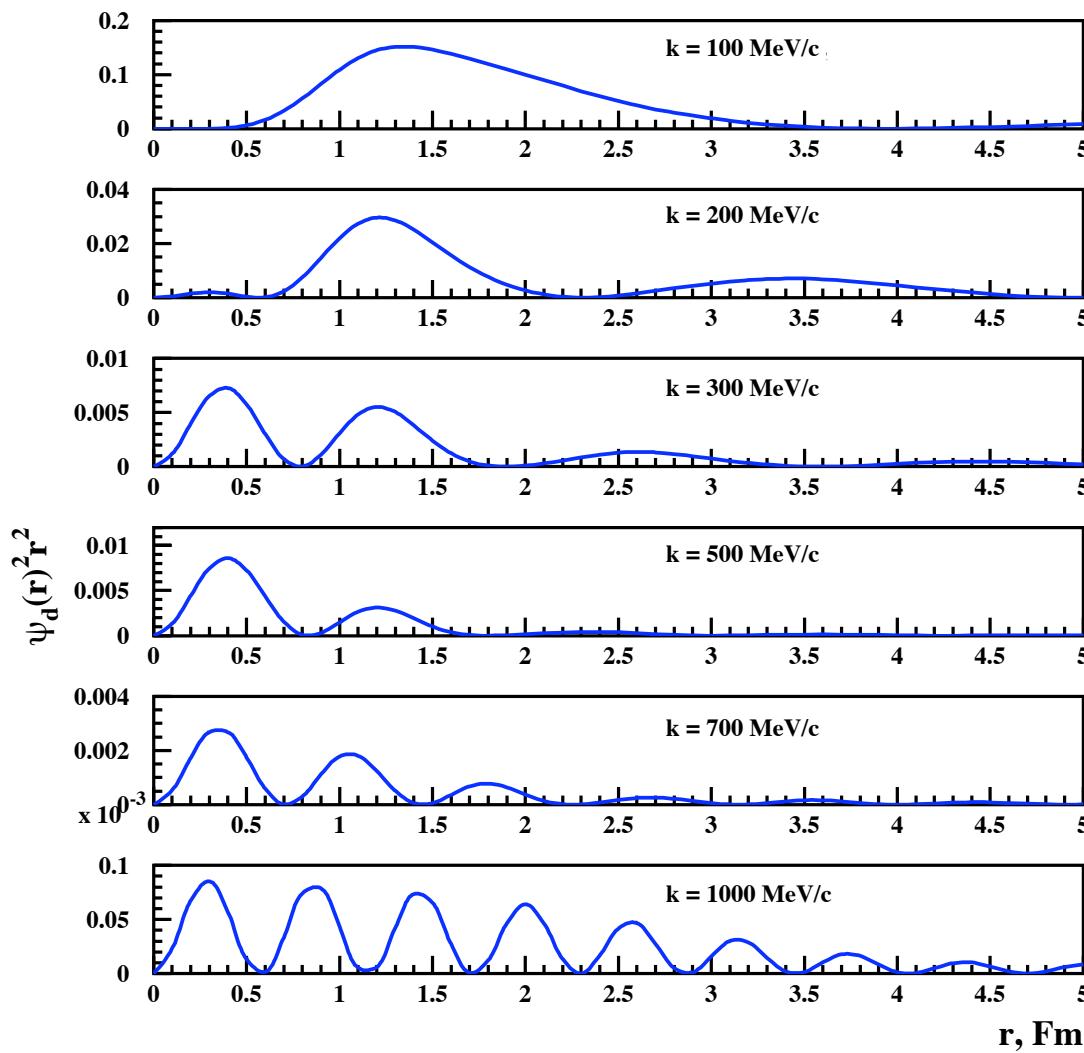
Neutron Stars

# How to get nucleons close together



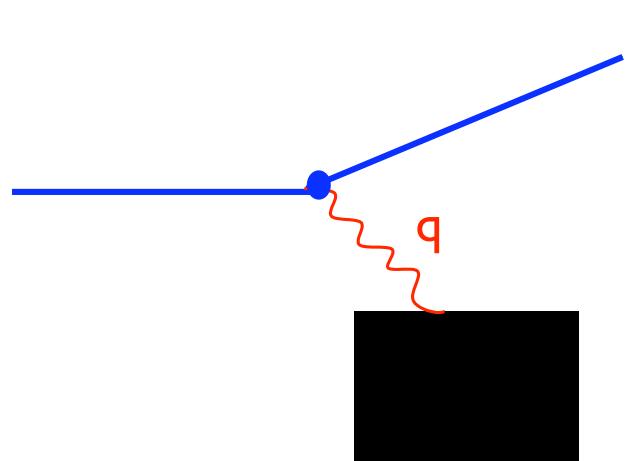
Probing at large relative momenta

$$r \sim \frac{1}{k}$$



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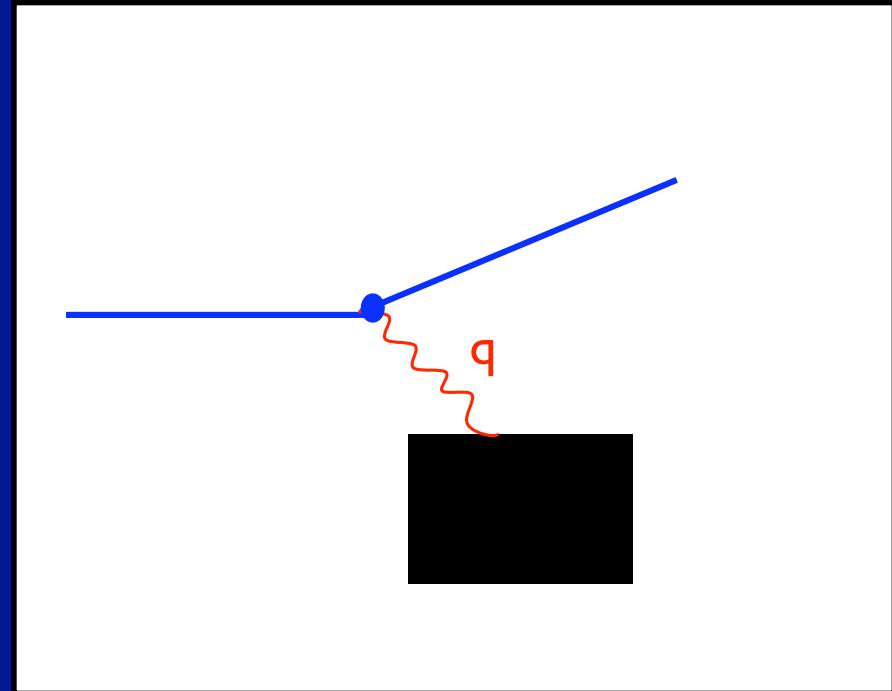
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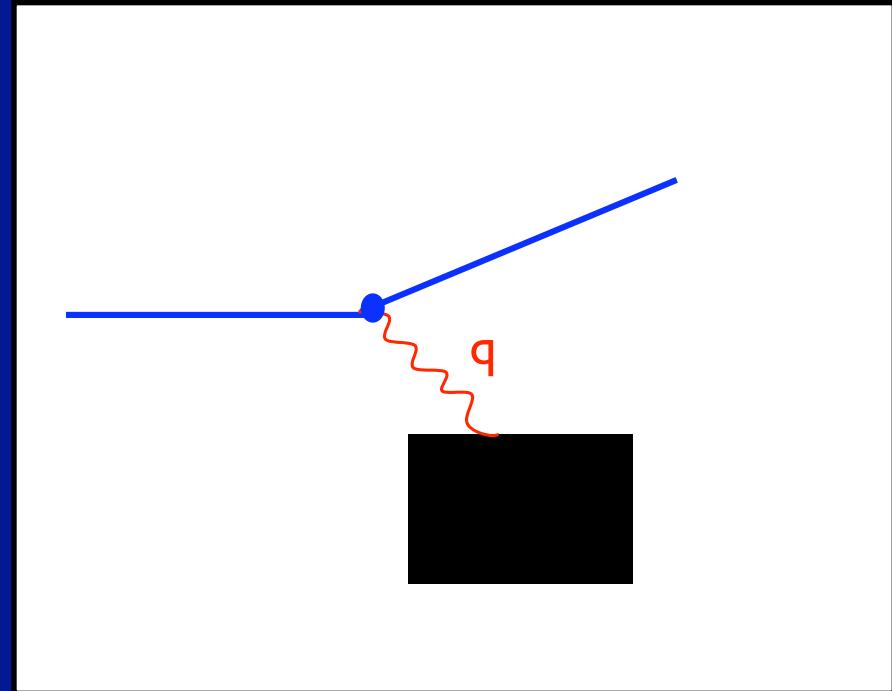


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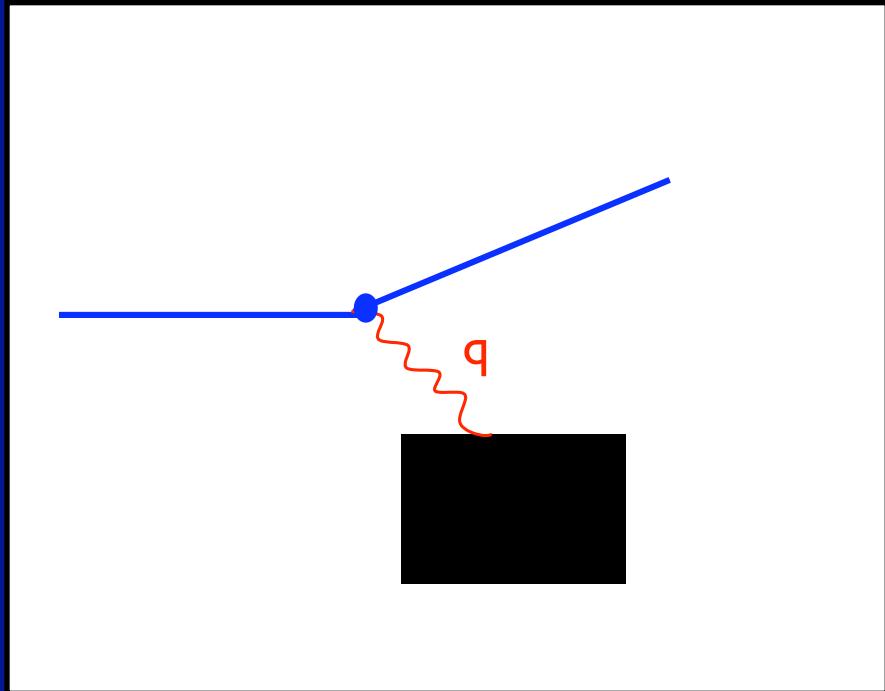


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- Remnant of the BB was a spectator to this action

$$p_i = P_{BB} - P_R$$

$$(q + p_i)^2 = m_c^2$$

$$-Q^2 + 2qp_i + m_i^2 = m_c^2$$

$z||q$

$$p_{i\pm} = E_i \pm p_{iz}$$

$$q_{\pm} = q_0 \pm q$$

$$-Q^2 + q_+ p_{i-} + q_- p_{i+} + m_i^2 = m_c^2$$

$$p_{i-} = \frac{Q^2}{q_+} - \frac{q_-}{q_+} p_{i+} + \frac{m_c^2 - m_i^2}{q_+}$$

$$\frac{Q^2}{q_+} = fixed$$

$$q_0 \rightarrow \infty$$

$$q_+ \rightarrow 2q_0$$

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$$\frac{q_-}{q_+} = -\frac{fixed}{q_+} \rightarrow 0$$

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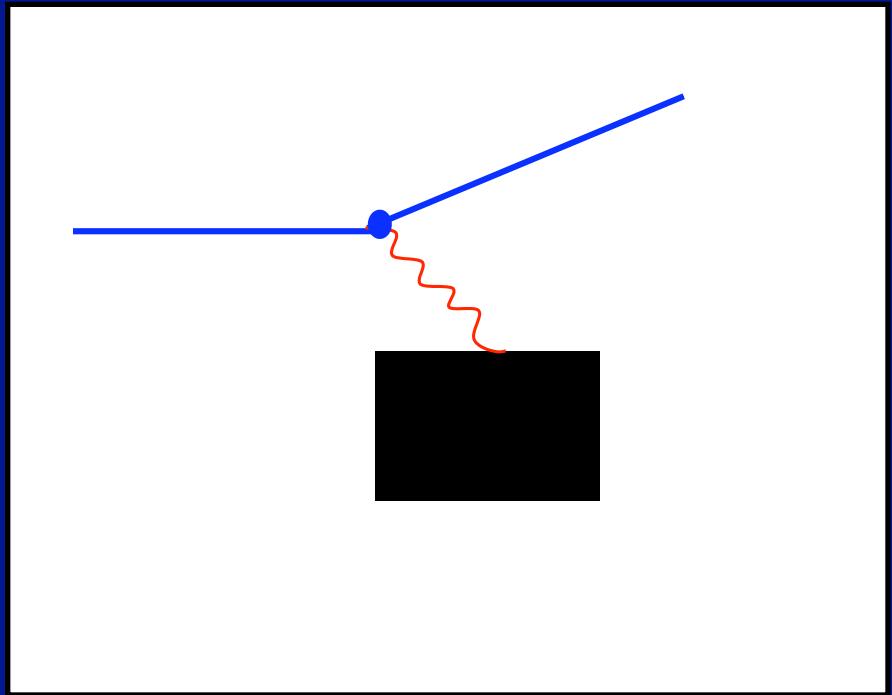
Invariant with respect to  
Lorentz transformation in z

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$$Y = \left( \frac{Q^2}{2q_0 M_{BB}} \right)_{LAB} = \left( \frac{p_{iz}}{P_{BBz}} \right)_{IMF}$$



$$\frac{\sigma_{e,BB}}{\sigma_{e,c}} \sim F(Y)$$

If BB = nucleon  $Y \equiv x_{Bj} = \frac{Q^2}{2mq_0}$

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$$F(Y) = f(x_{Bj})$$

# Quasi-Elastic Scattering

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# Correlation Parameter

$$\alpha_i = A \frac{E_i - p_i^z}{E_A - p_A^z}$$

Momentum Fraction of Nucleus  
carried by the constituent nucleon

$\alpha_i > j$  corresponds to  $j$ -nucleons involved in the scattering

For finite Q2

$$x = \frac{\alpha - \frac{m_N^2 - m_i^2}{2mq_0}}{\left(1 + \frac{p_{i+}}{q_+}\right) \frac{2q_0}{q_+}}$$

## signatures for short range correlations

$x > 1$  at least 2 nucleons are needed

$x > 2$  at least 3 nucleons are needed

$x > j$  at least  $j+1$  nucleons are needed

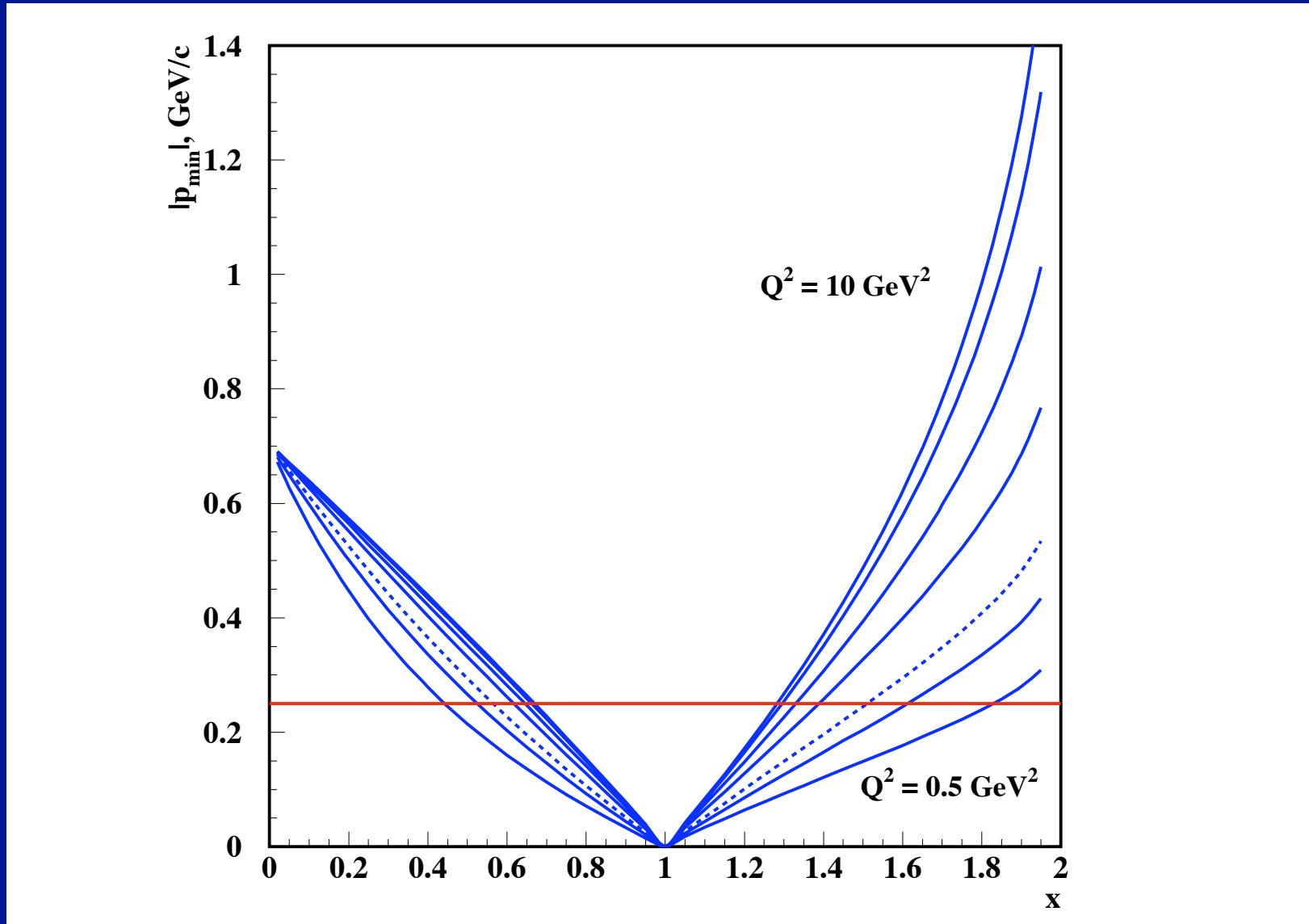
Transverse size of the probe  $\sim 1/\sqrt{Q^2}$  .  $Q^2 \uparrow$

$x > 1$  if only 2 nucleons then  $\frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_D}$  scales

$x > 2$  if only 3 nucleons then  $\frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_{A=3}}$  scales

$x > j$  if only  $j+1$  nucleons then  $\frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_{j+1}}$  scales

$x > 1$  is not automatically means 2N SRC  
one needs also large  $Q^2$



$q_+ \gg q_-$

$$p_1 \geq 300 - 350 MeV/c$$

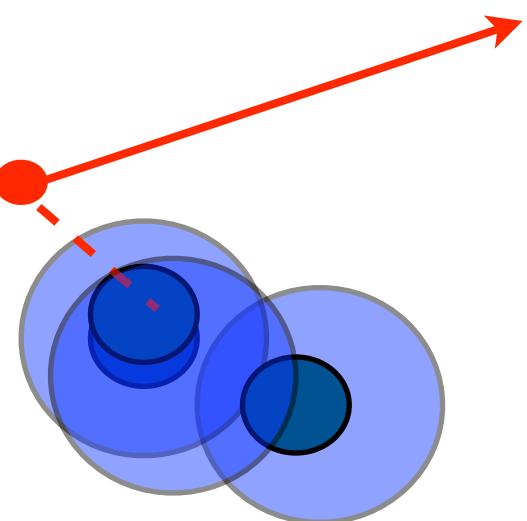
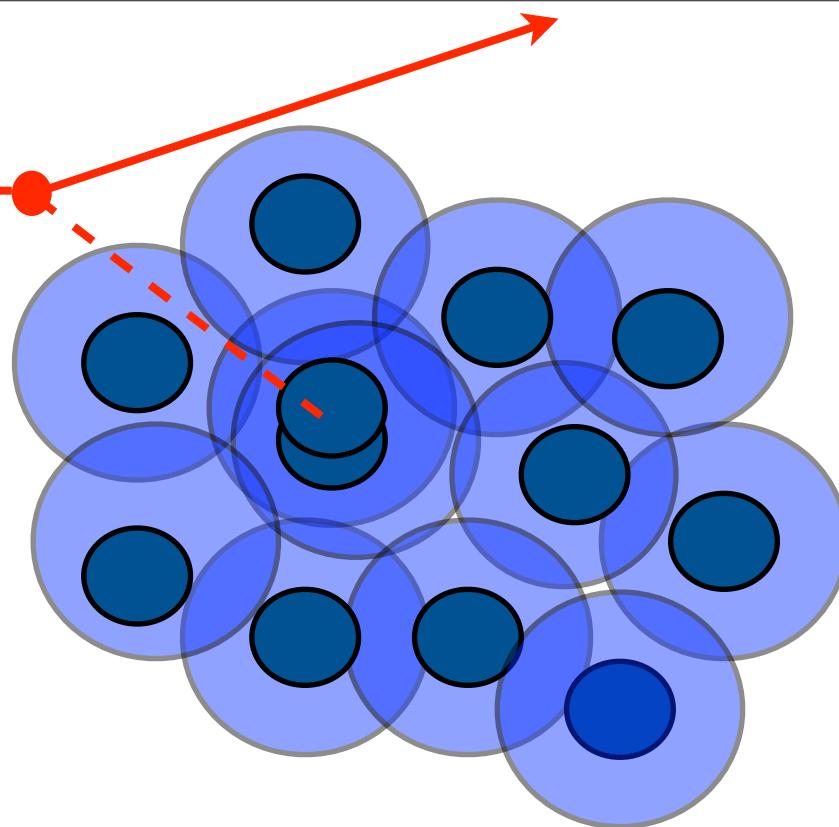
$$x_{Bj} > 1.5 \quad Q^2 \geq 1.4 GeV^2$$



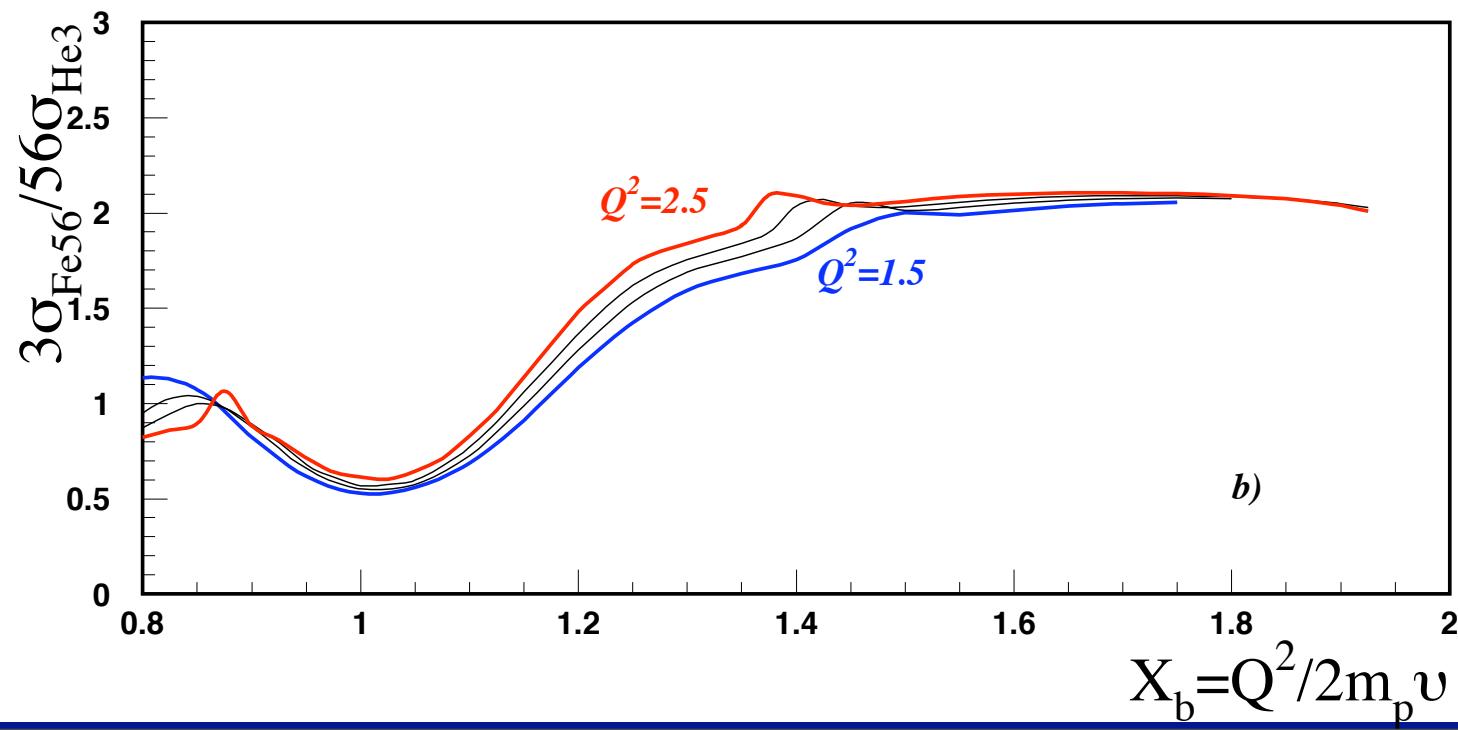
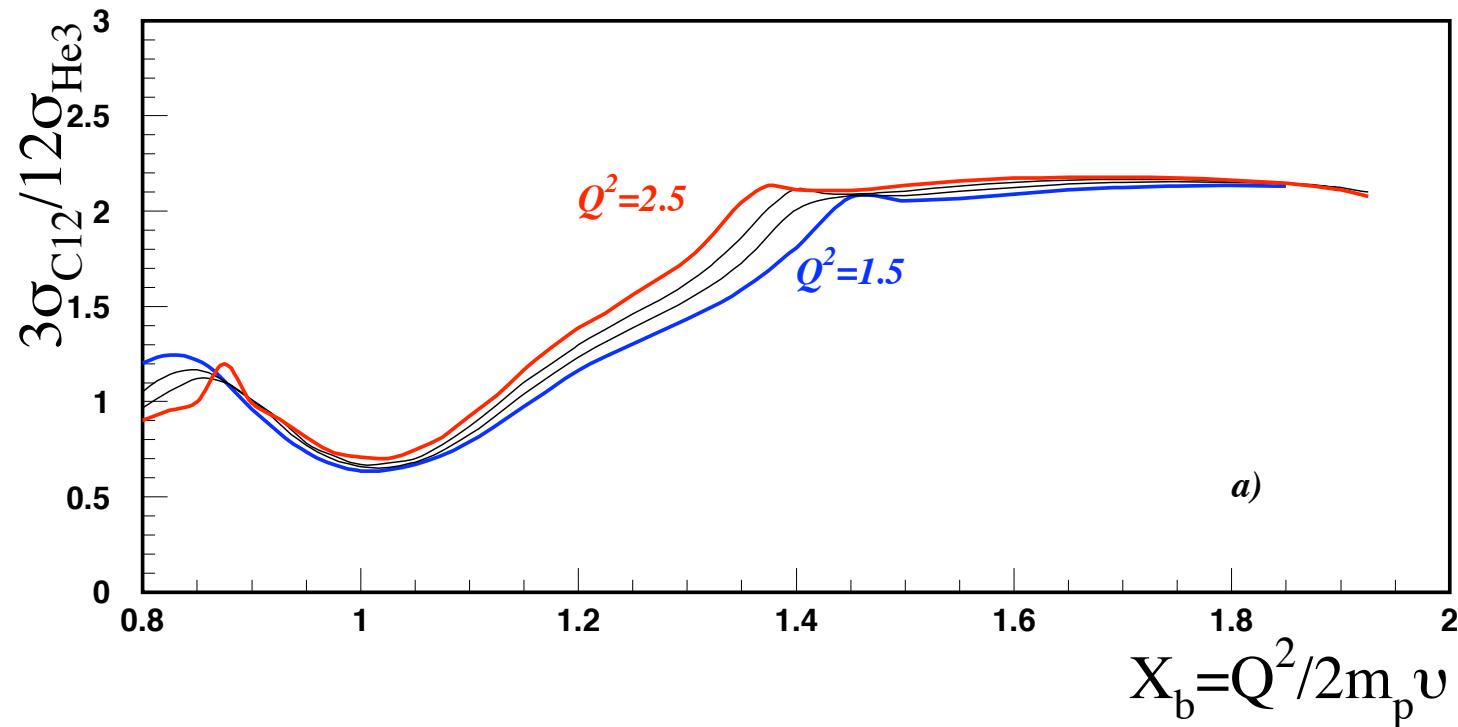
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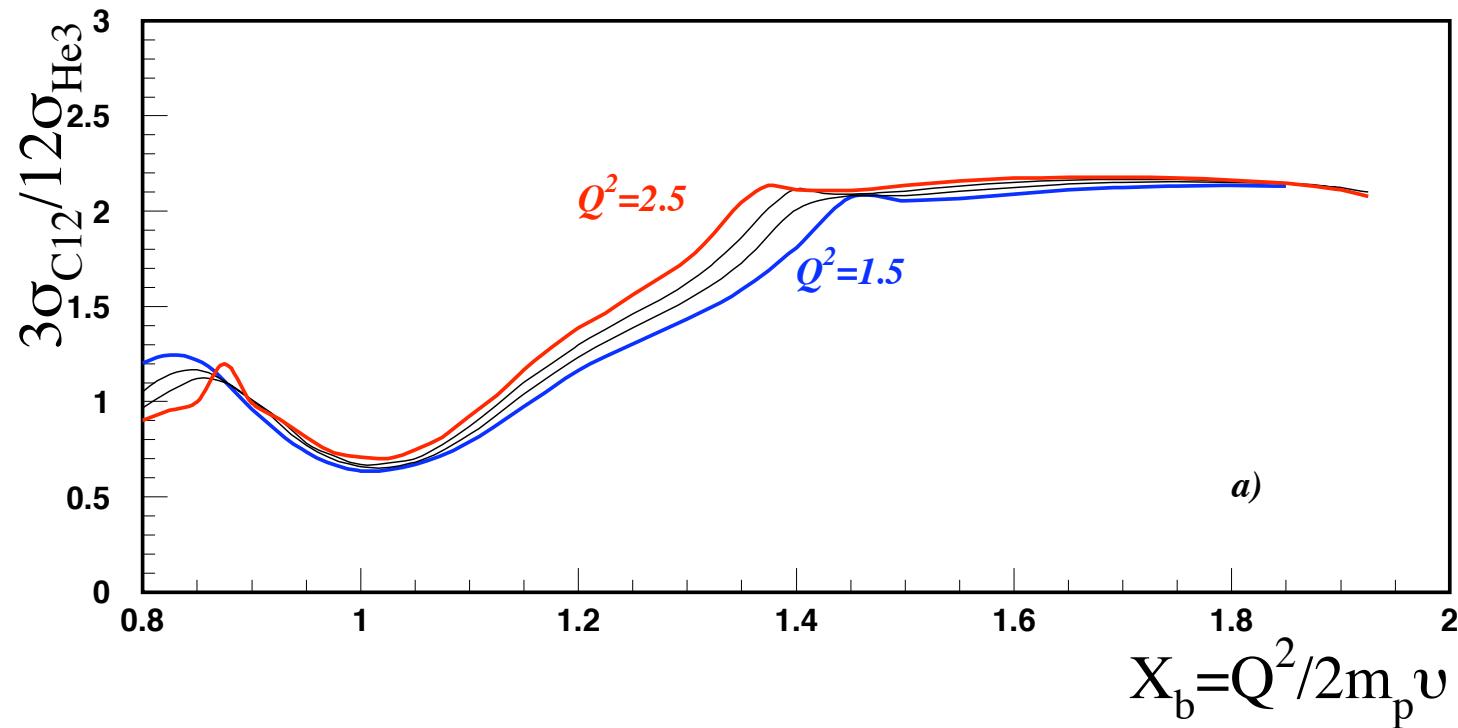
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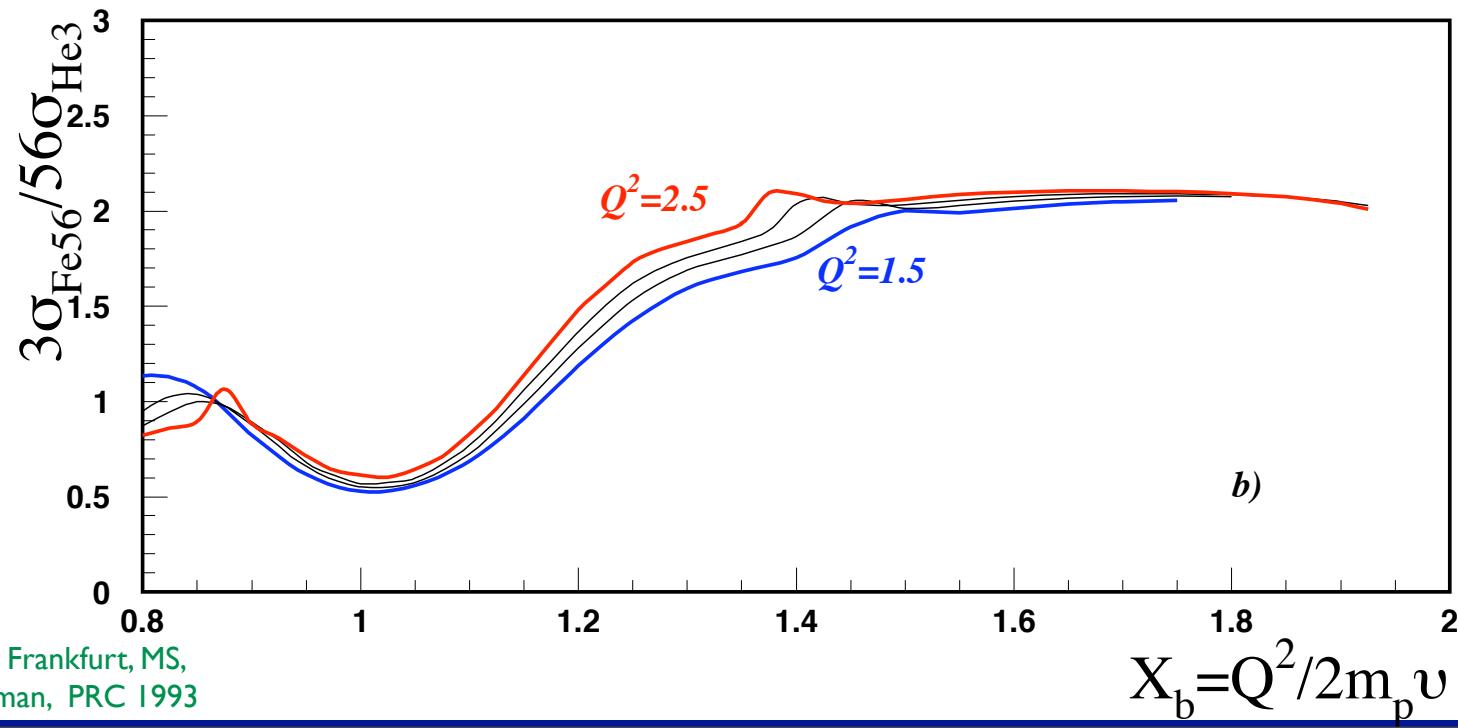


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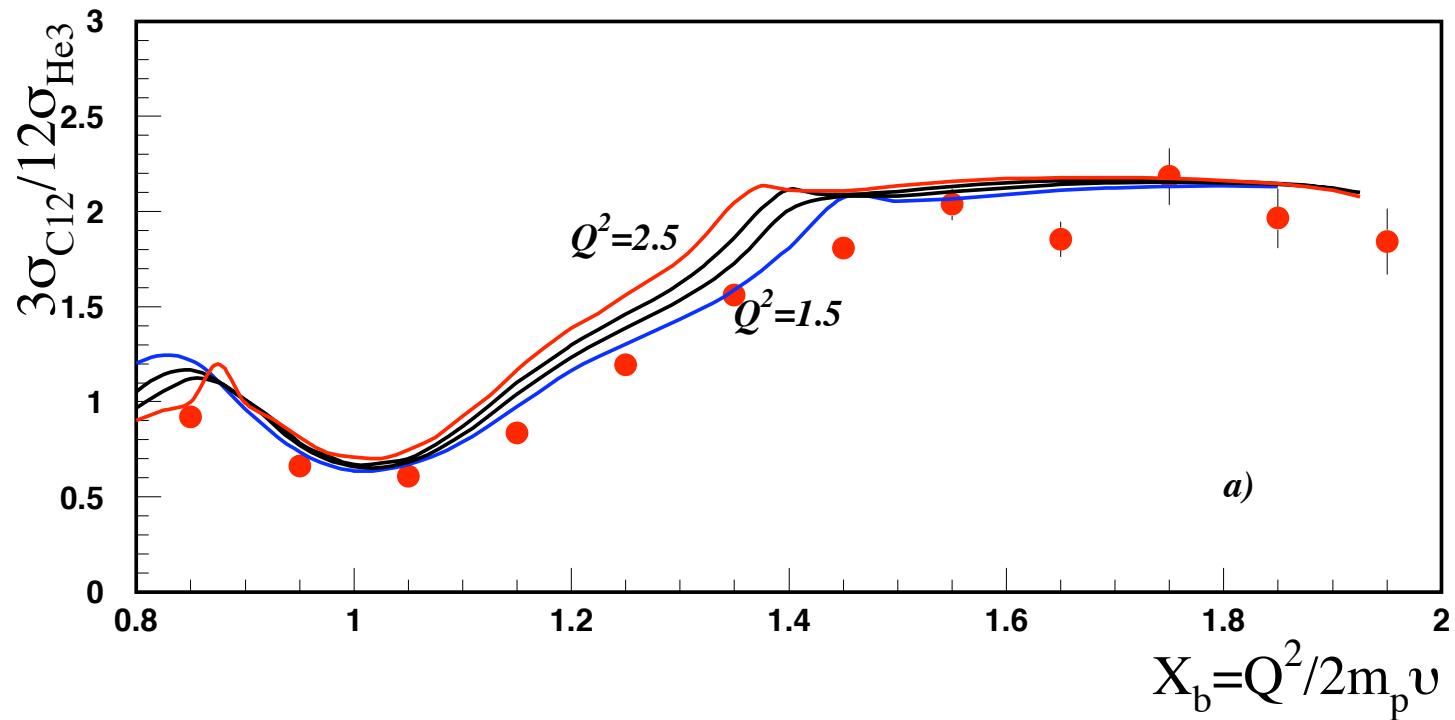
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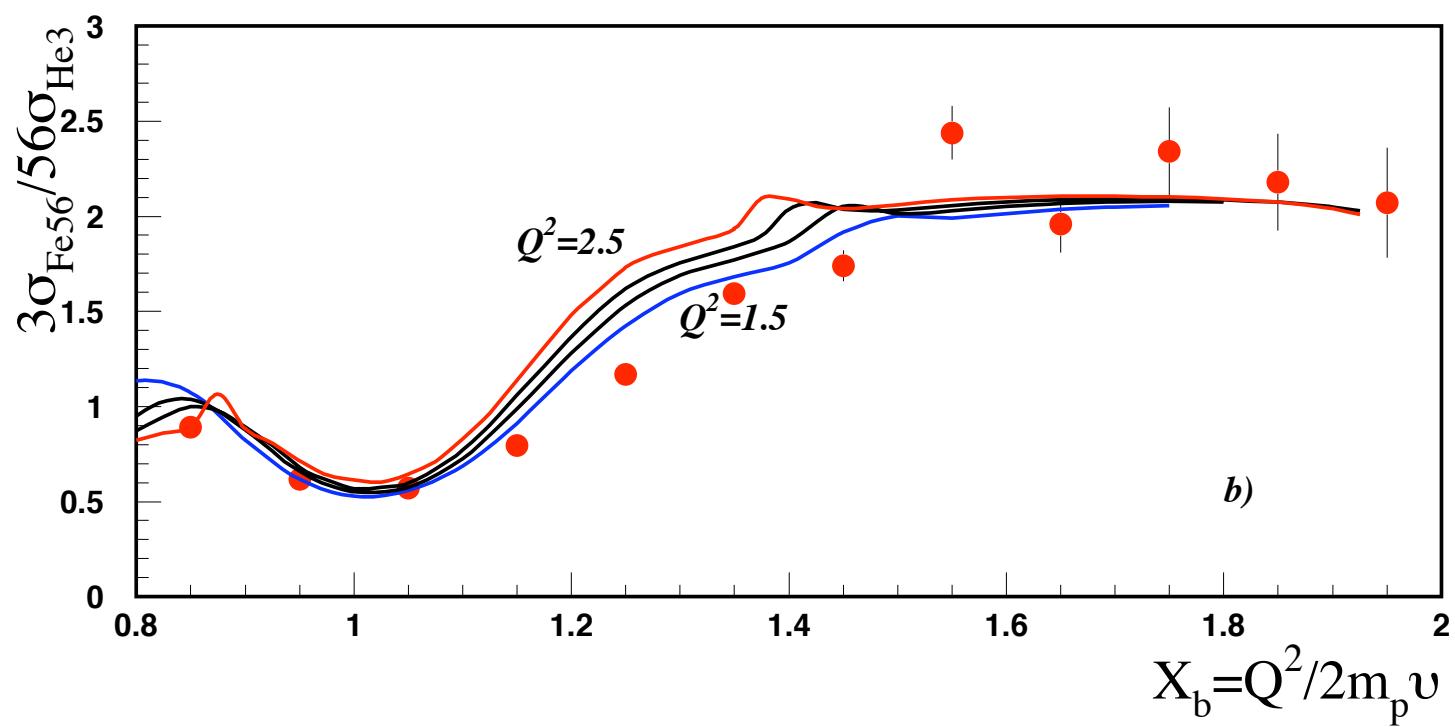


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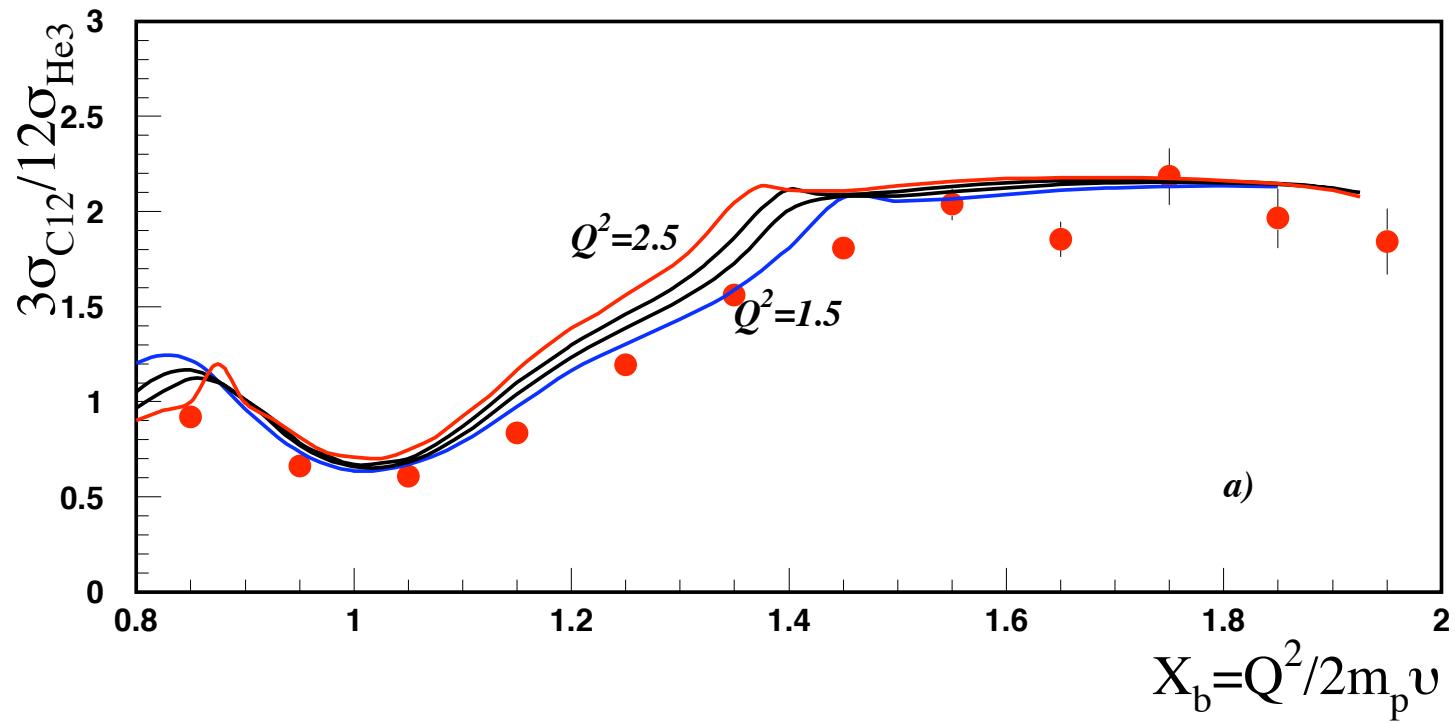
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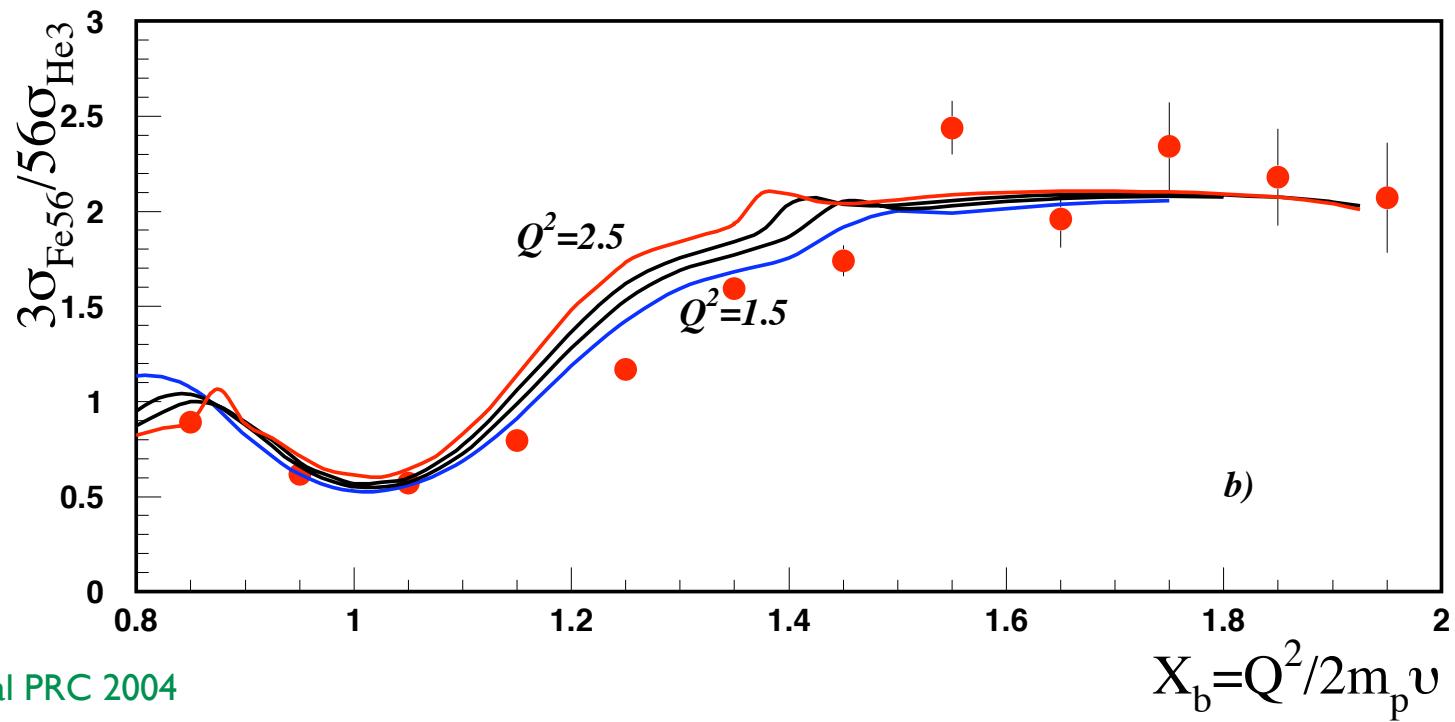


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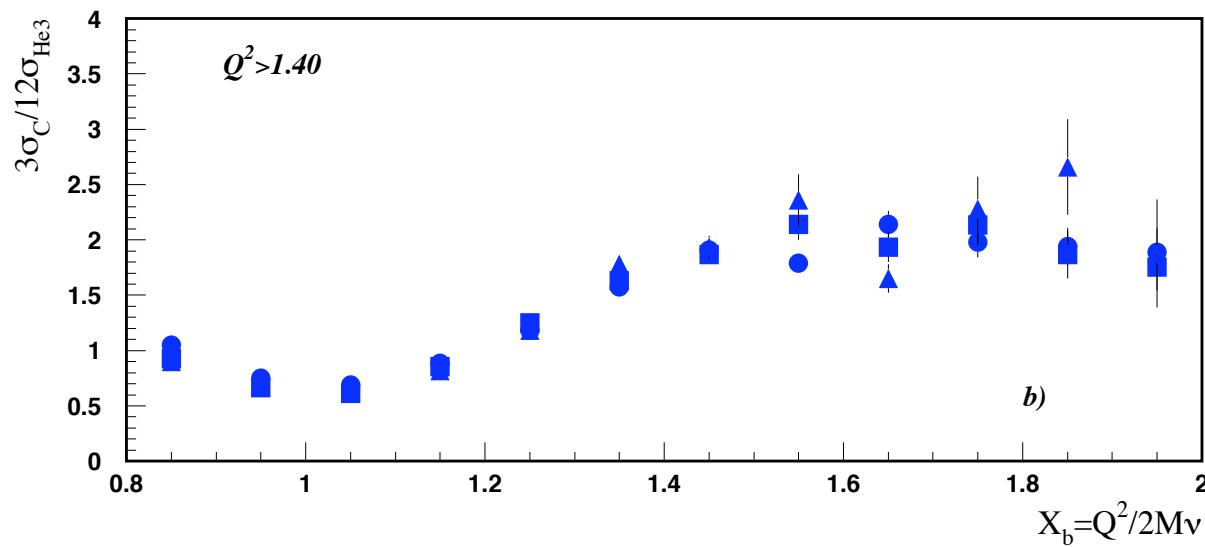
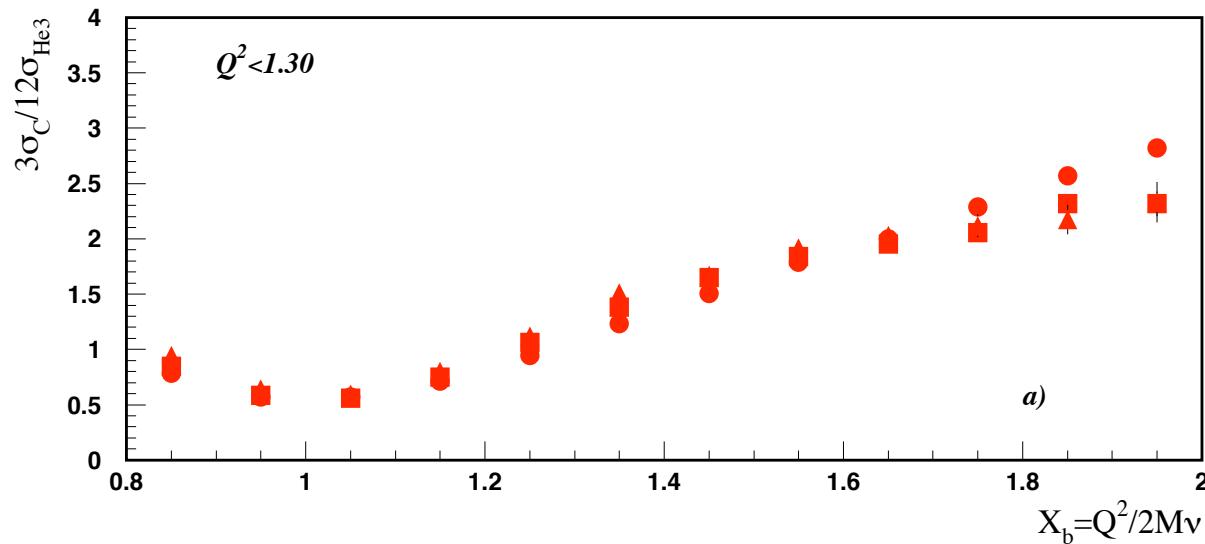
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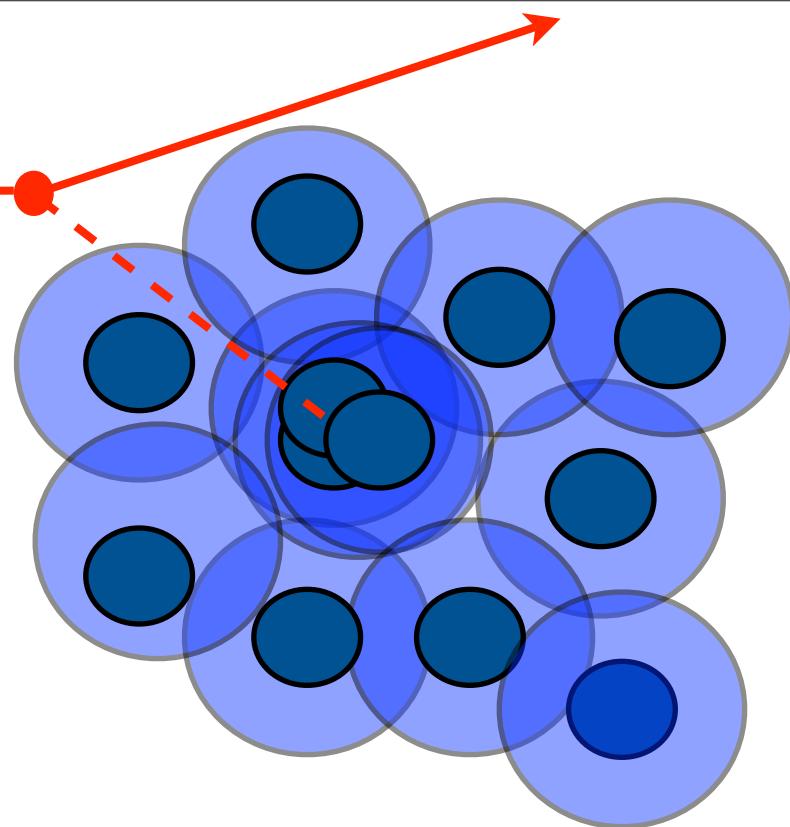


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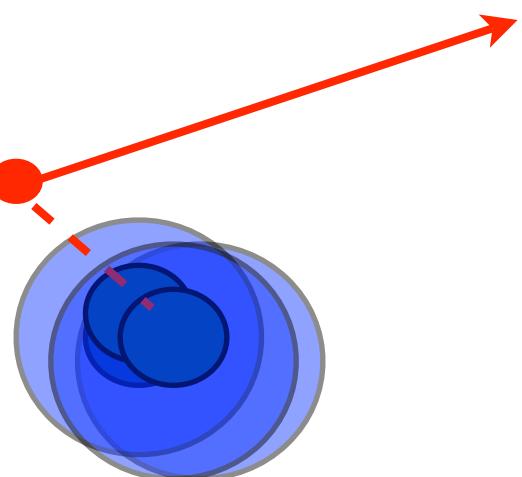




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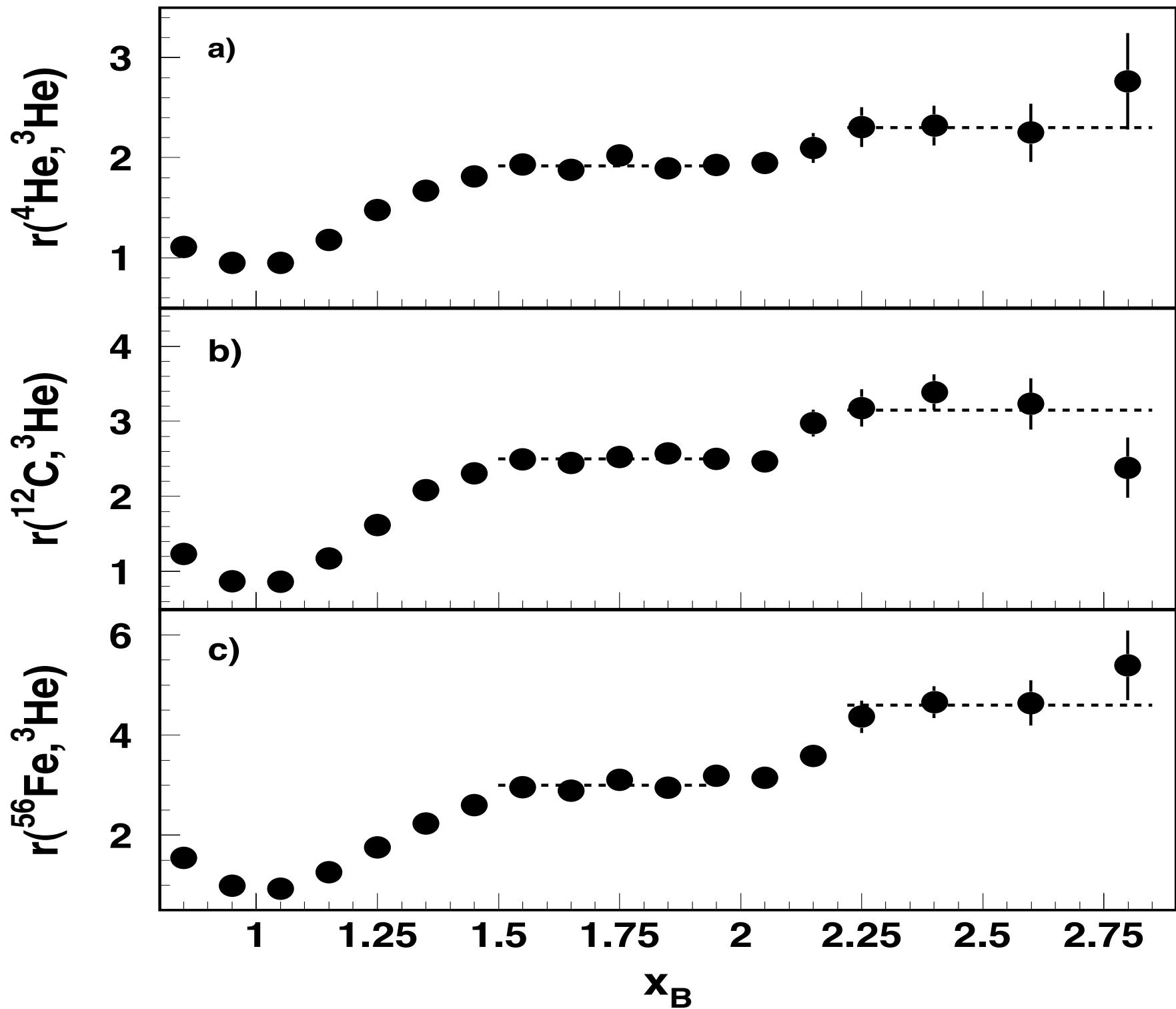


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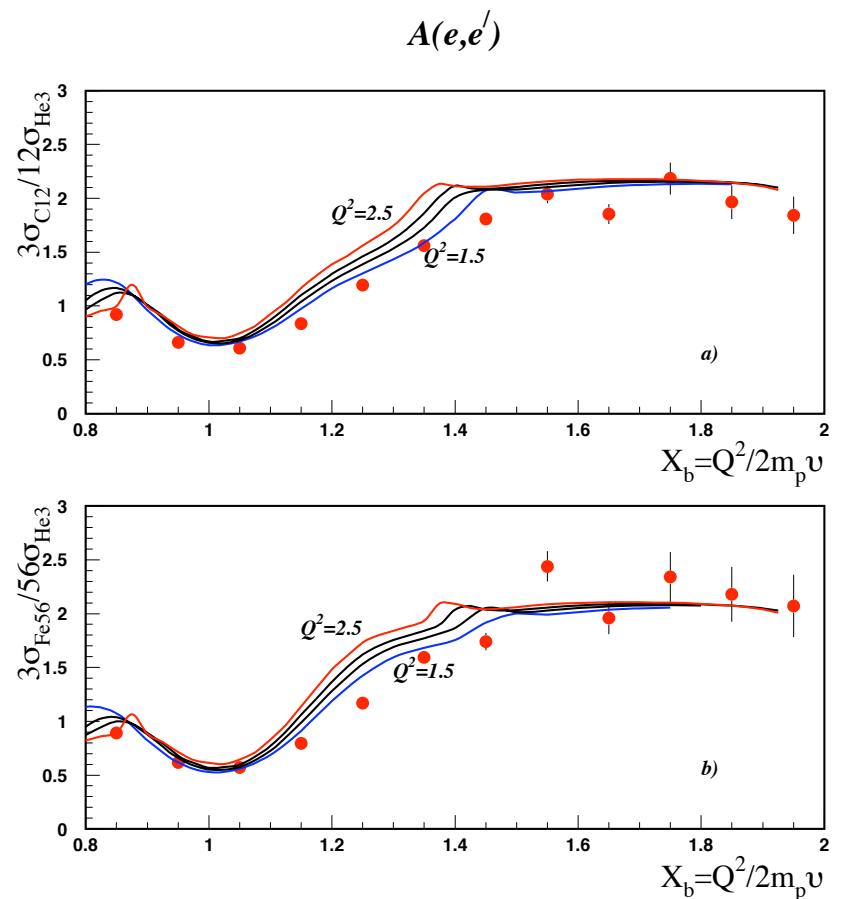


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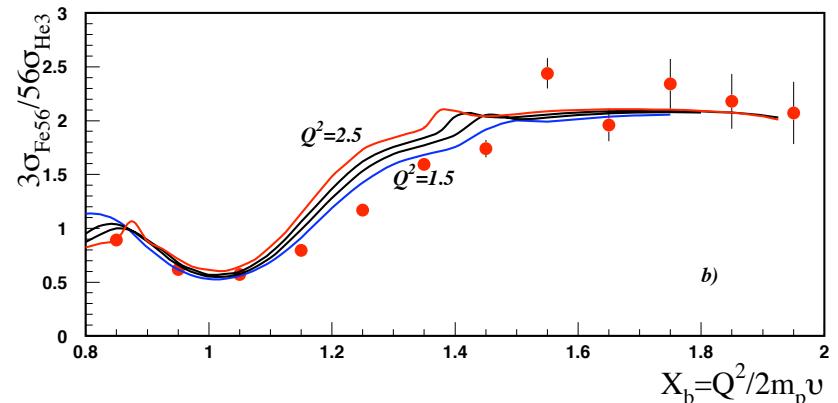
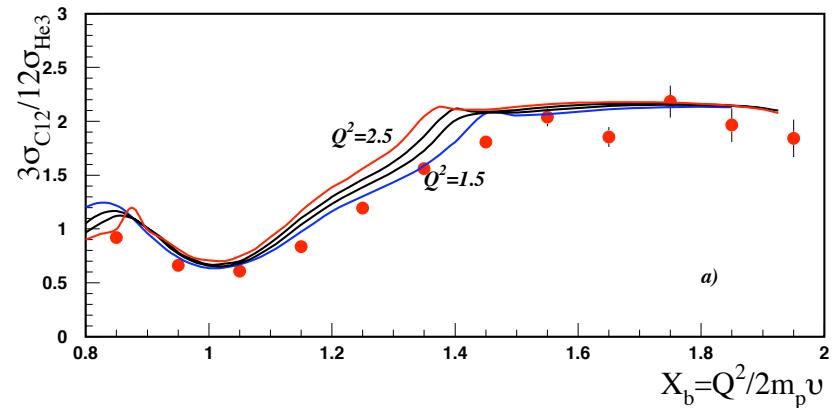
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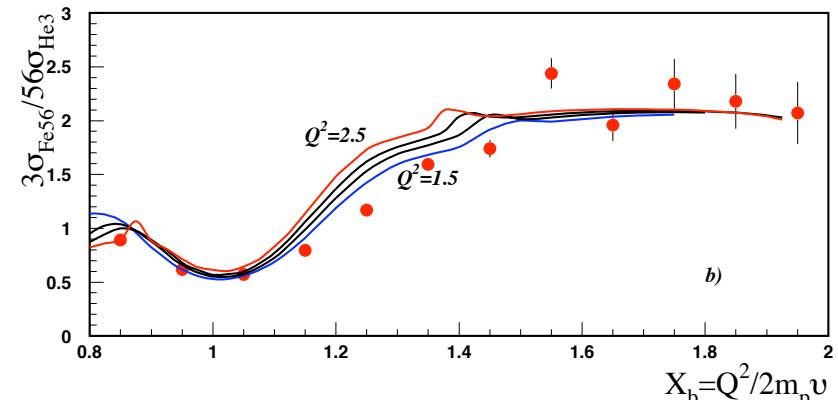
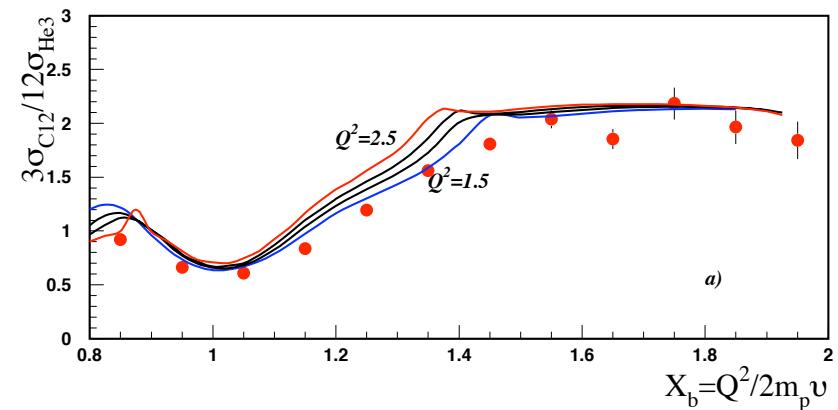
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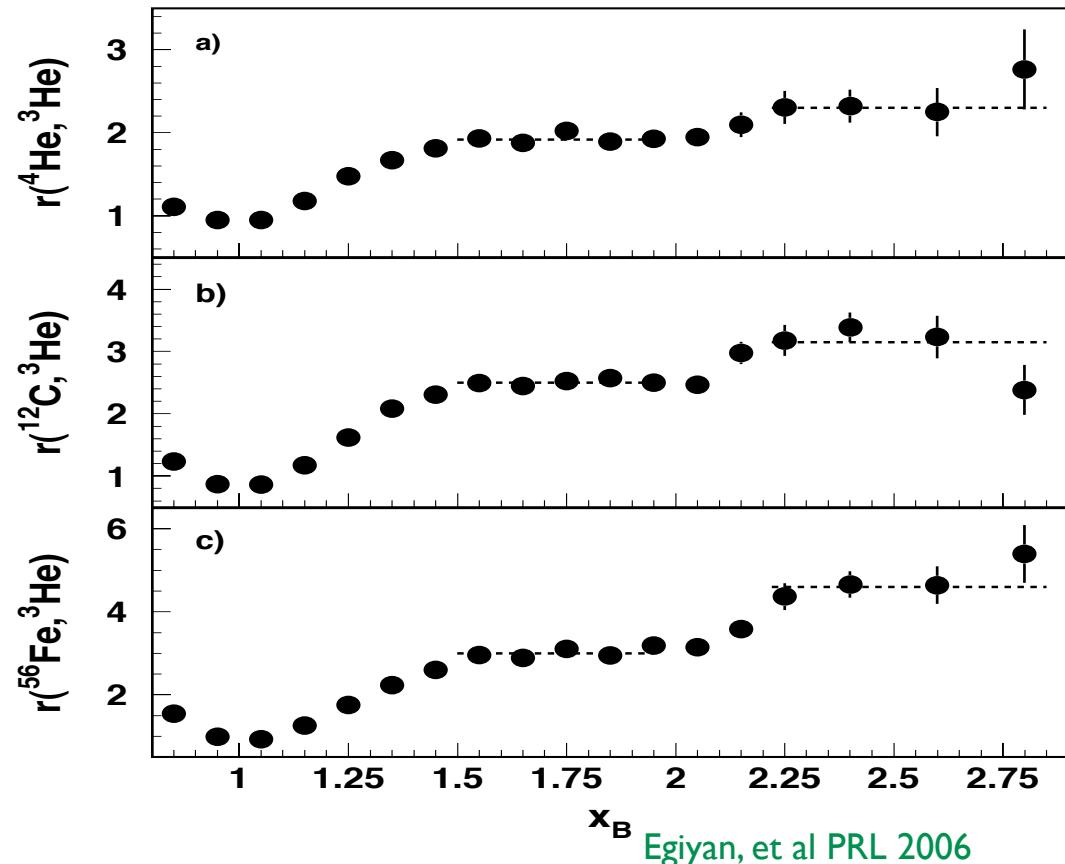
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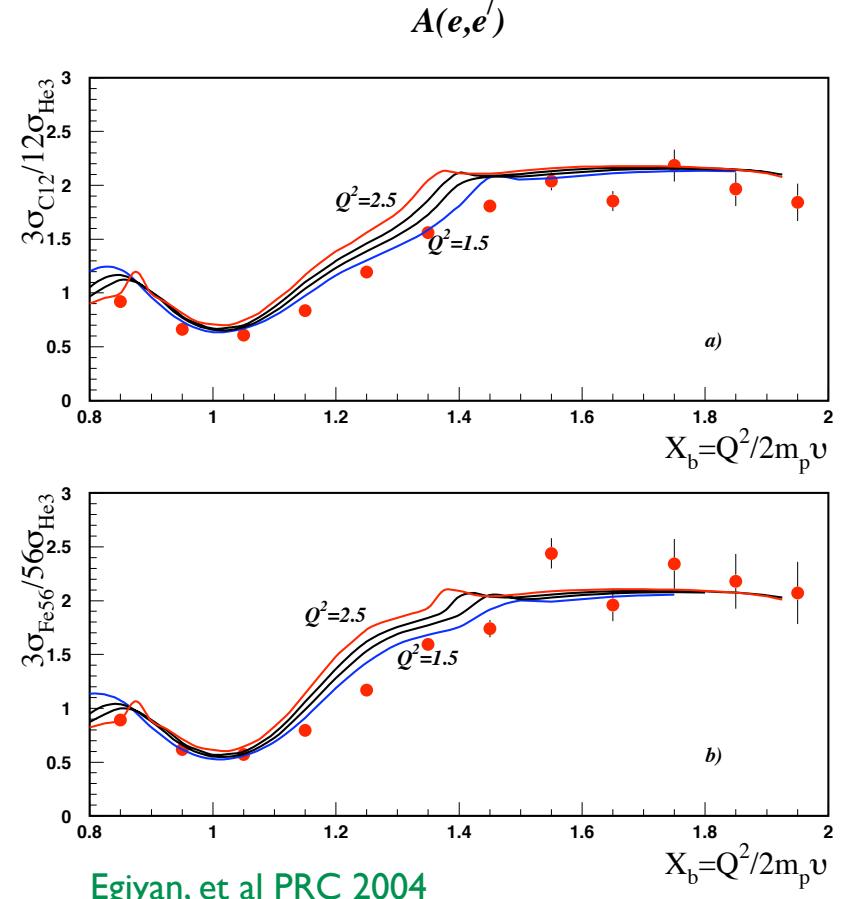
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# What we Learned from $A(e,e')X$ Reactions

	$a_{2N}(A)$
$^3\text{He}$	$0.080 \pm 0.000 \pm 0.004$
$^4\text{He}$	$0.154 \pm 0.002 \pm 0.033$
$^{12}\text{C}$	$0.193 \pm 0.002 \pm 0.041$
$^{56}\text{Fe}$	$0.227 \pm 0.002 \pm 0.047$

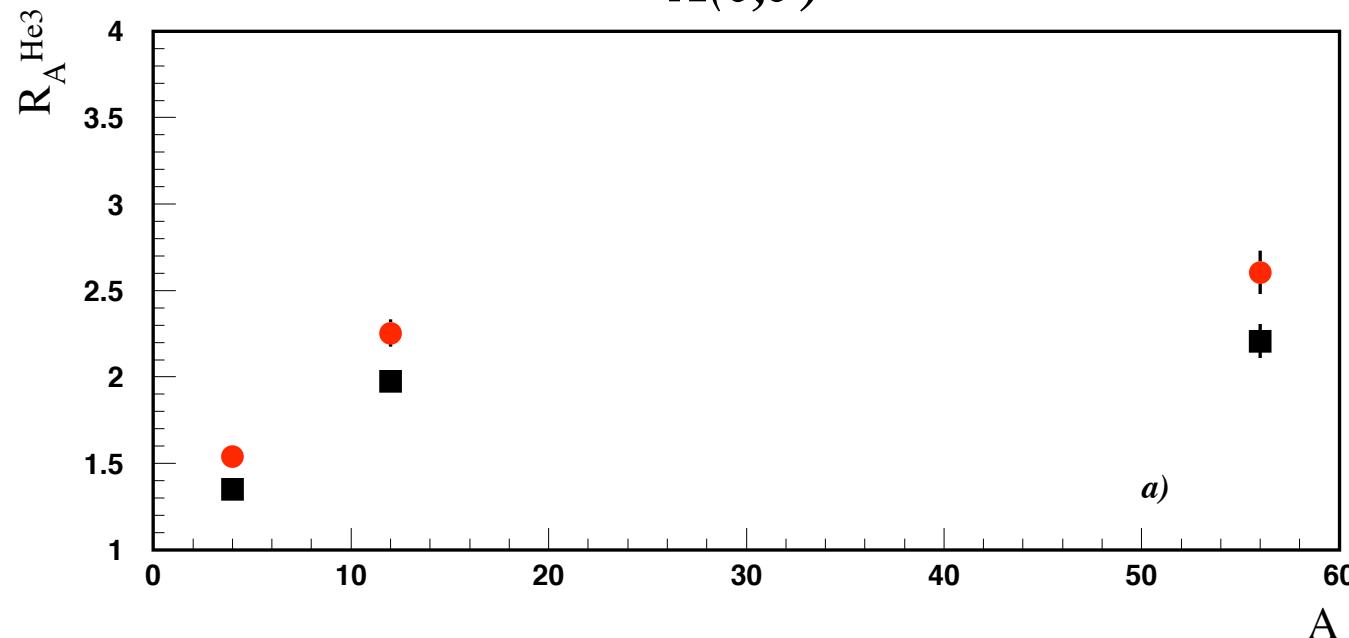
	$a_{3N}(A)$
	$0.0018 \pm 0.0000 \pm 0.0006$
	$0.0042 \pm 0.0002 \pm 0.0014$
	$0.0055 \pm 0.0003 \pm 0.0017$
	$0.0079 \pm 0.0003 \pm 0.0025$

$$a_2(^{12}\text{C}) = 0.194\%$$

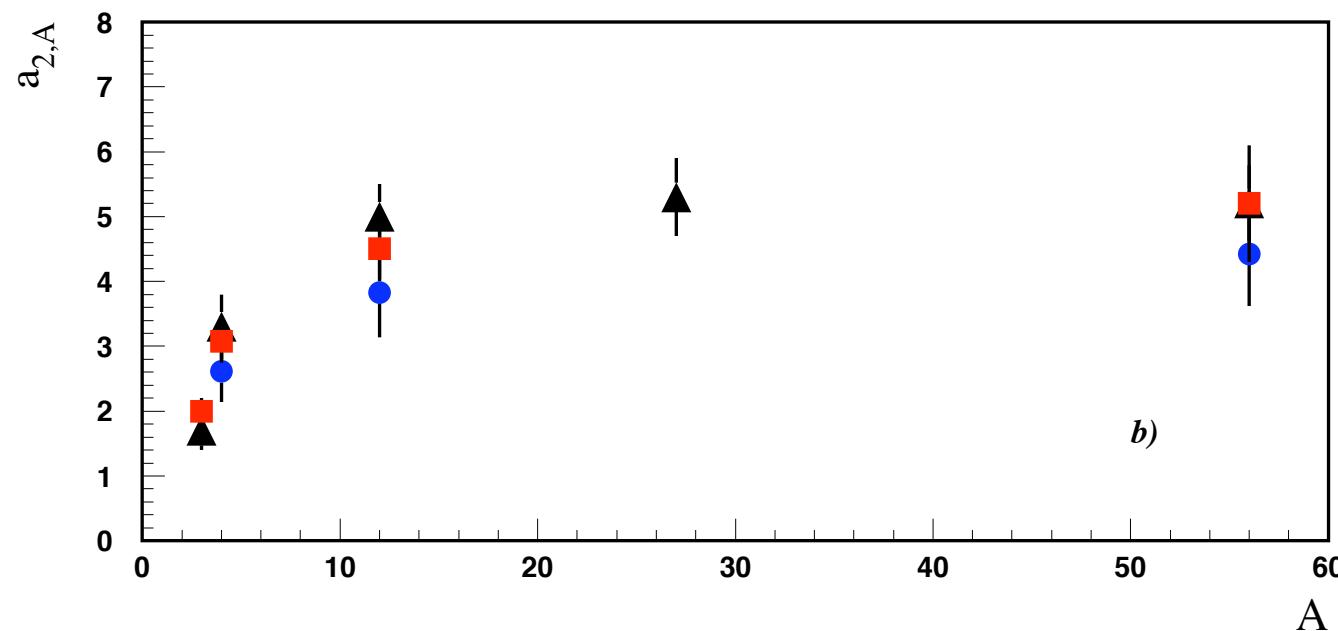
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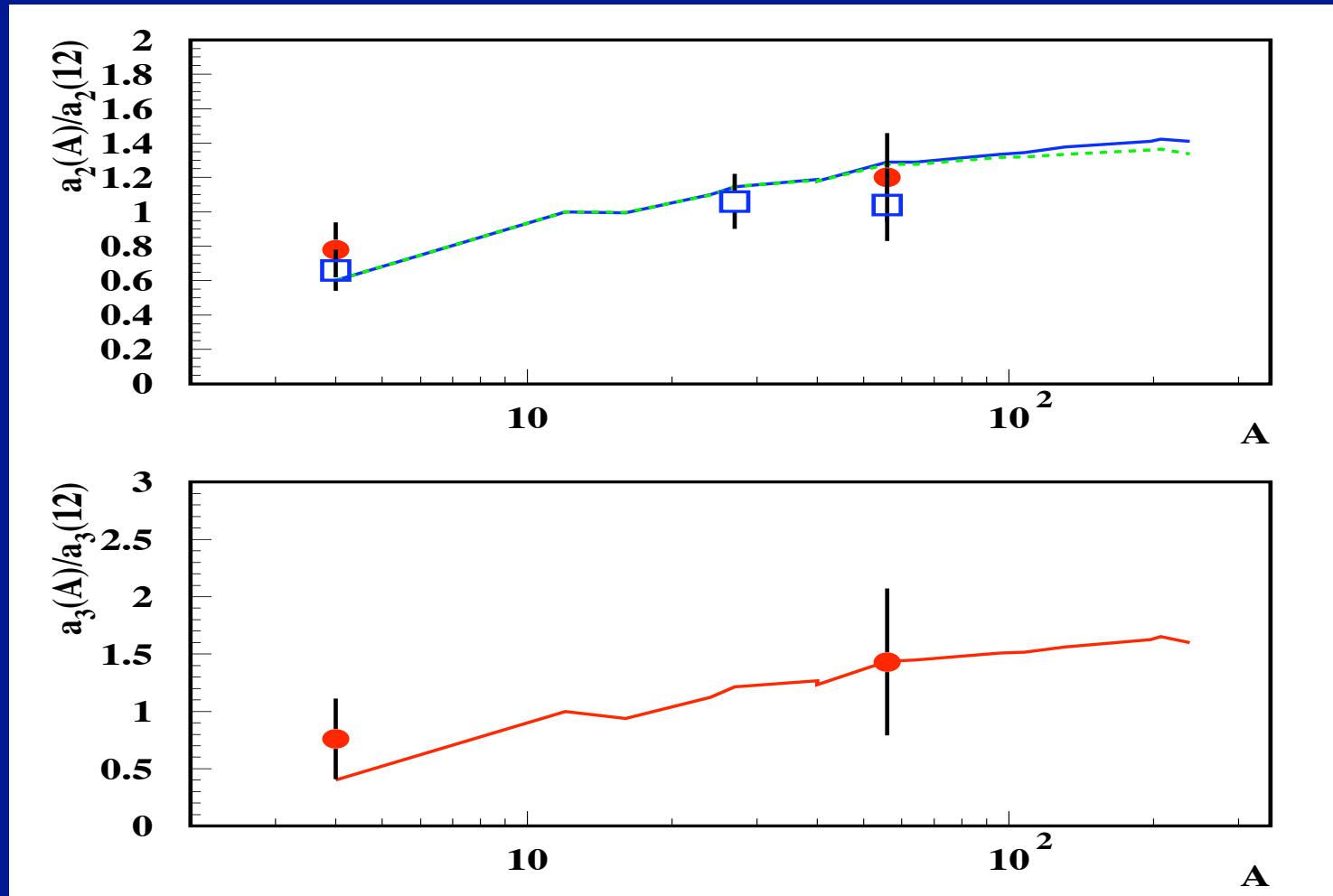
What  $a_2(A)$  and  $a_3(A)$  can tell us

are they really fluctuations?

# Estimating density fluctuations

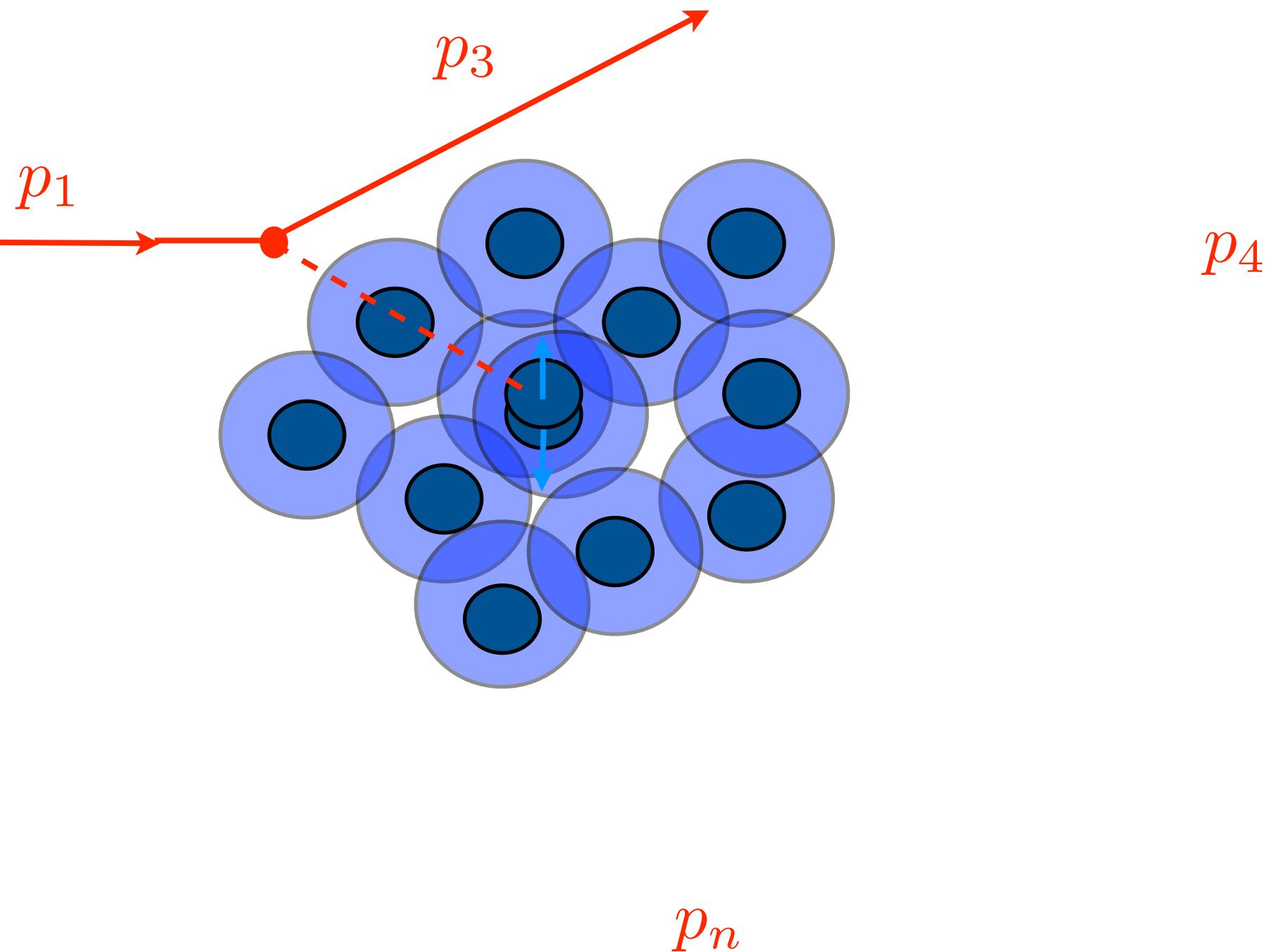
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$$a_j(A) \propto \int \rho_A(r)^j d^3r \approx \int \rho_{A,mf}^j \left(1 + j \frac{\rho_{A,src}}{\rho_{A,mf}}\right) d^3r$$

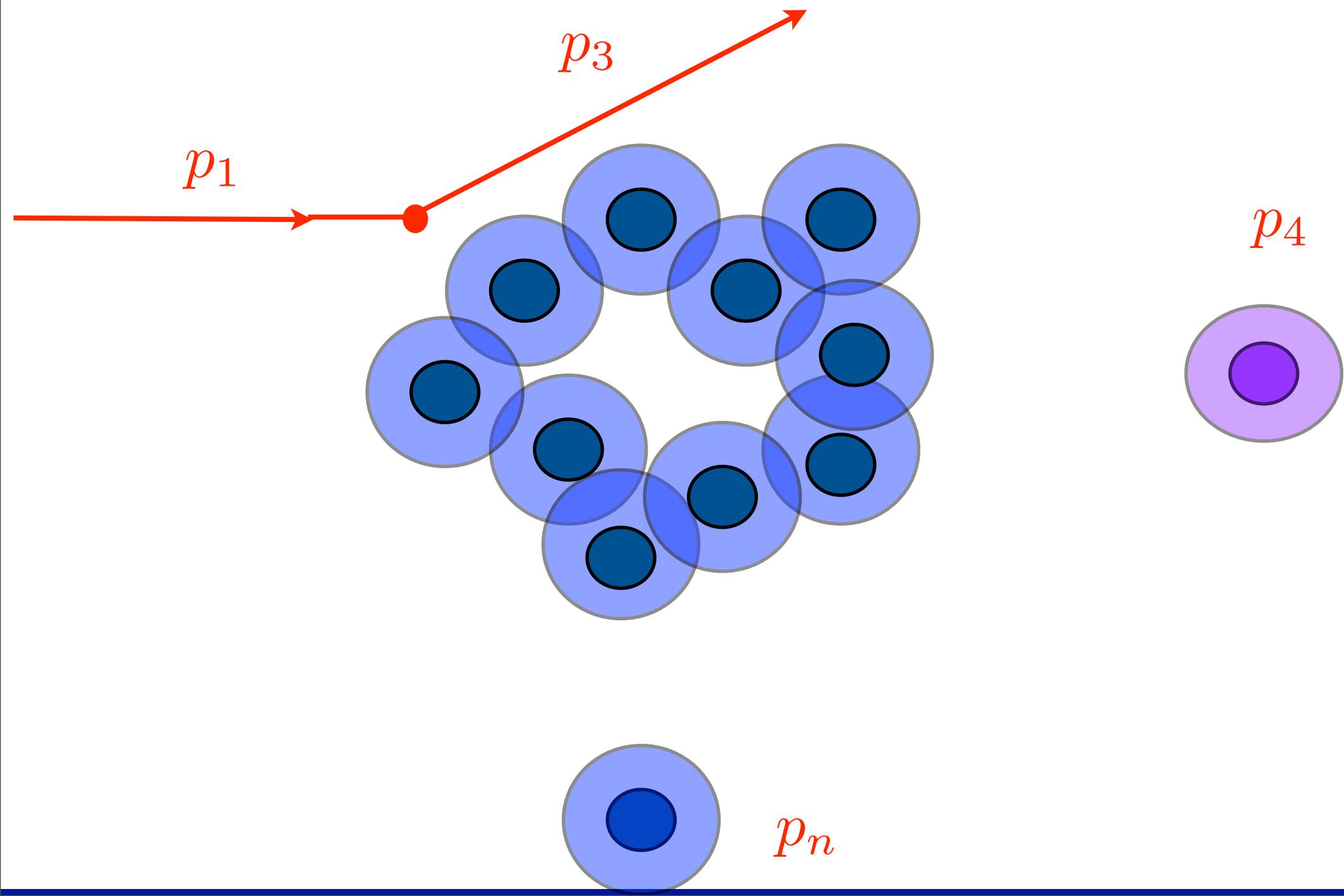


- high energy inclusive probe at  $x>1$  and large  $Q^2$   
can detect high density fluctuations
- and measure their probabilities  $a_2(A)$   $a_3(A)$

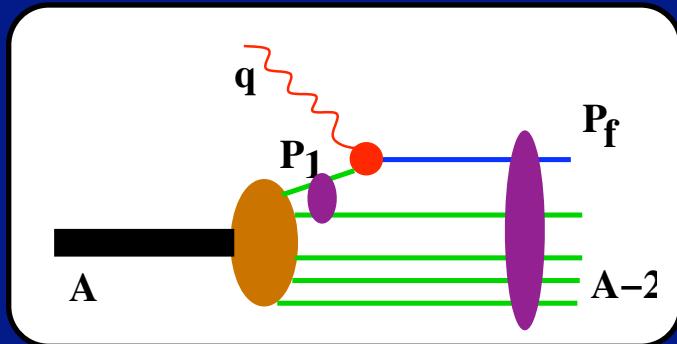
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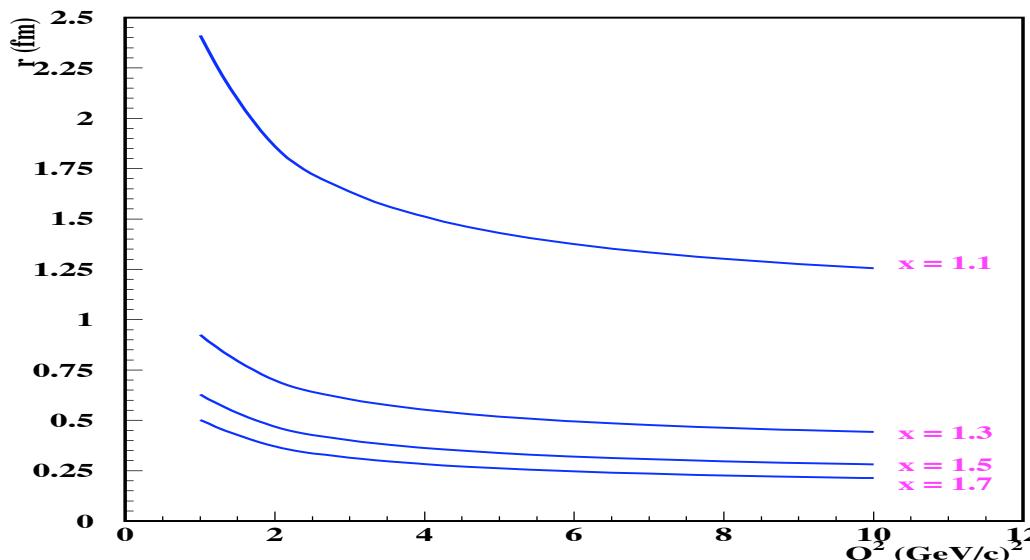


Day, Frankfurt, MS,  
Strikman, PRC 1993

Frankfurt, MS, Strikman  
IJMA review, 2008

$$r \sim \frac{v}{\Delta E}$$

$$\Delta E = -q_0 - M_A + \sqrt{m^2 + (p_i + q)^2} + \sqrt{M_{A-1}^2 + p_i^2}$$

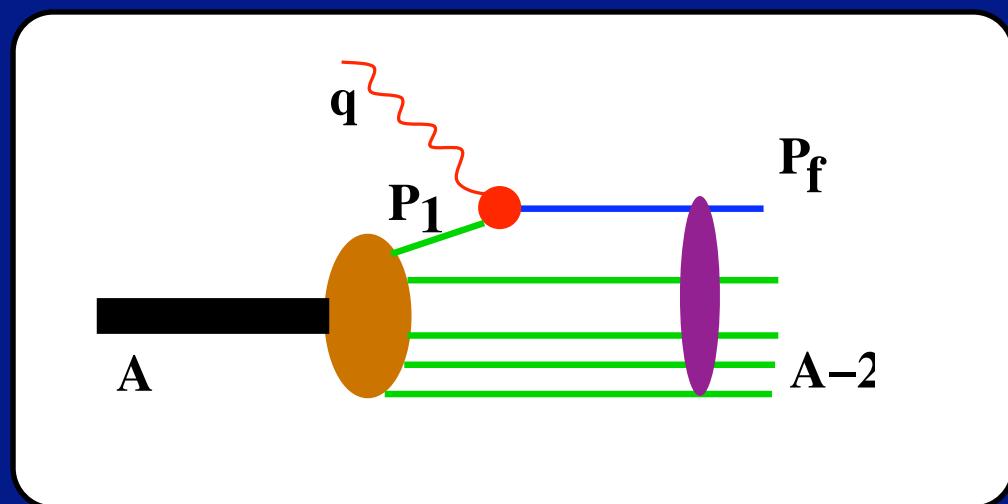


# Generalized Eikonal Approximation

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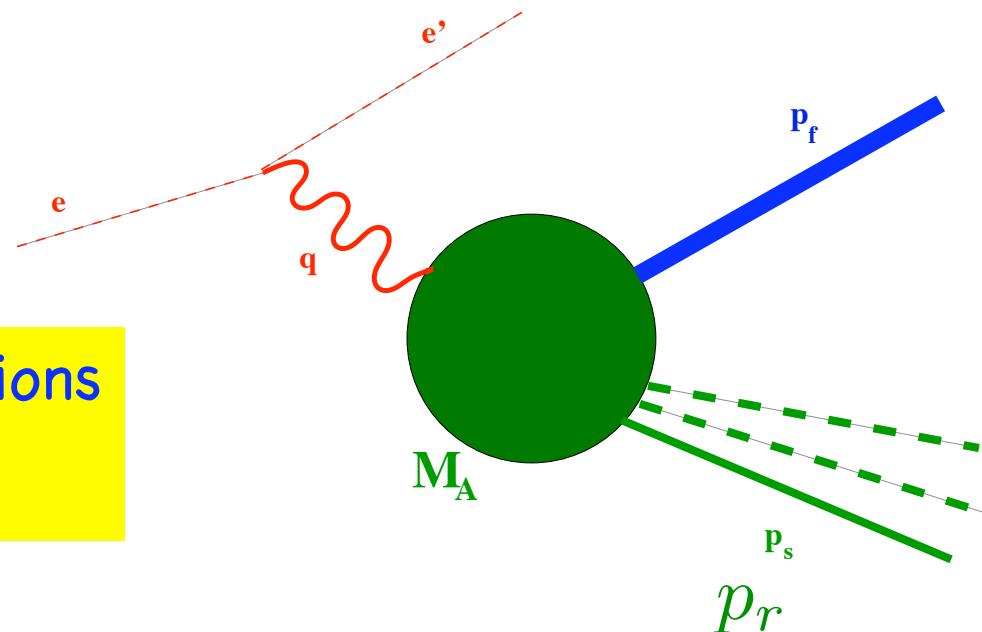


# High Energy Photo/Electro-Nuclear Reactions

## Kinematics

I. Momenta involved in the reactions

$$q \approx p_f > \text{few GeV}/c.$$

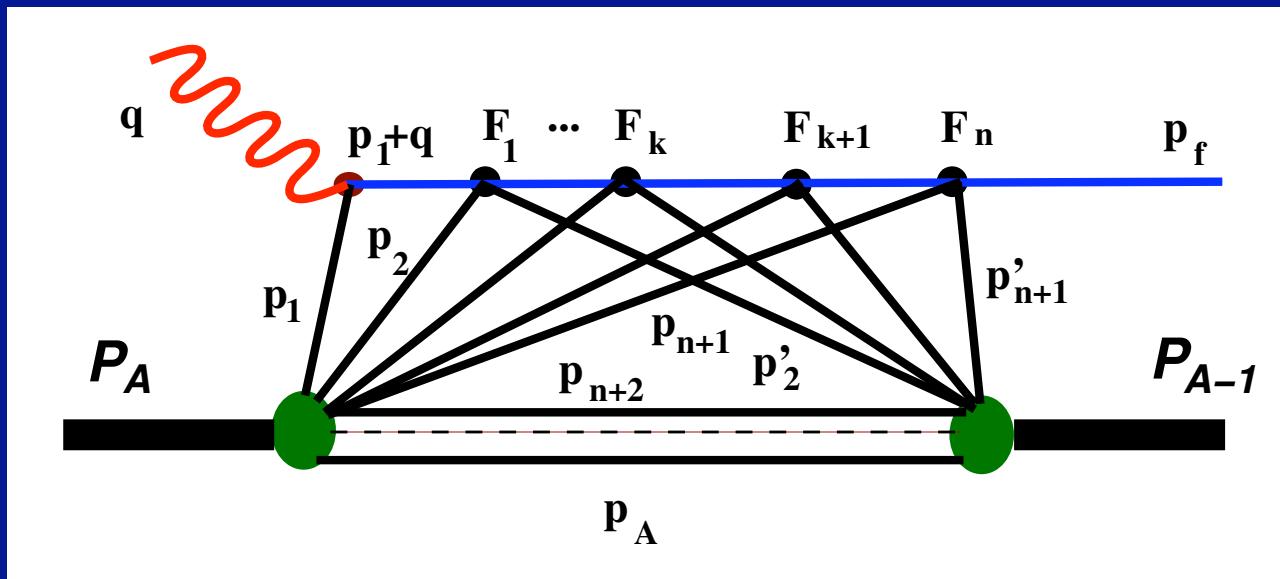
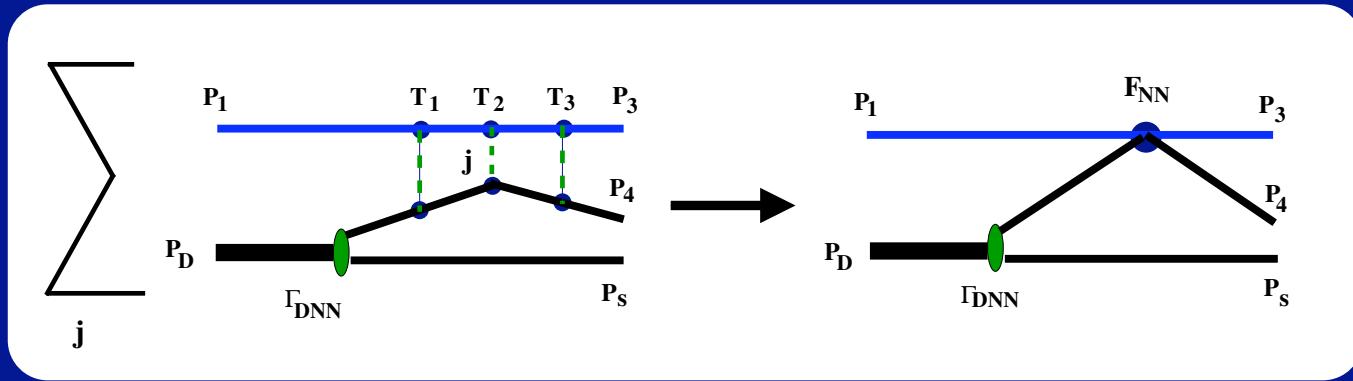


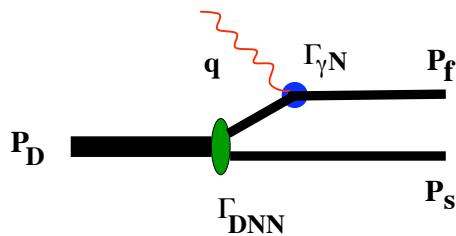
A new small parameter

$$\frac{p_-^f}{p_+^f} \equiv \frac{E^f - p_z^f}{E^f + p_z^f} \approx \frac{m^2}{4p_z^f} \ll 1$$
$$\frac{q_-}{q_+} \approx \frac{x_{Bj}^2 m^2}{Q^2} \ll 1$$

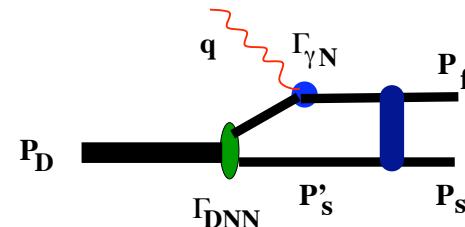
For inclusive  $(e, e')$  reaction

$$\sqrt{\frac{Q^2(2-x)}{x}} \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

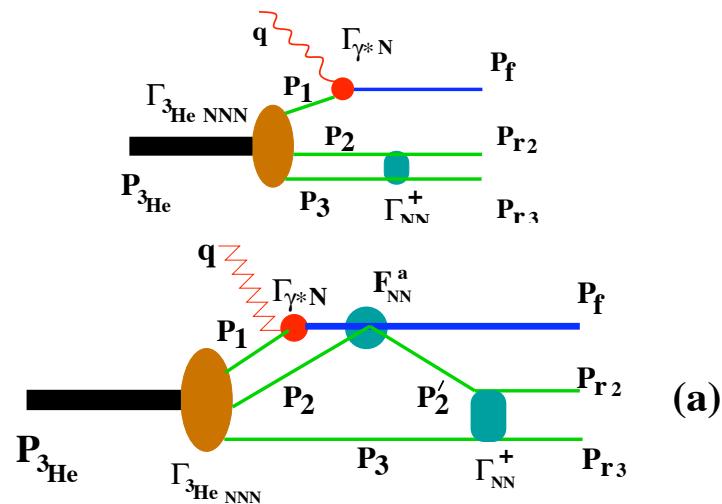




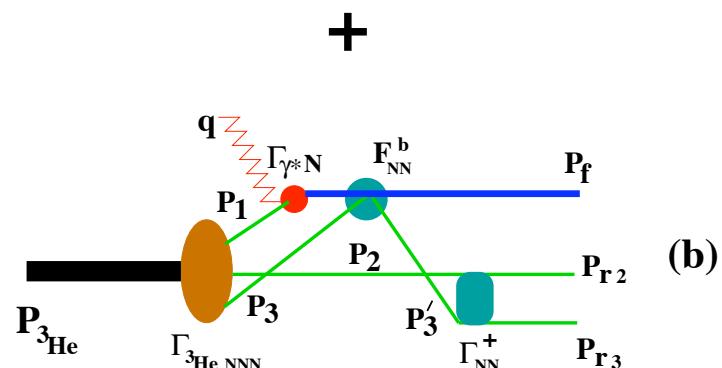
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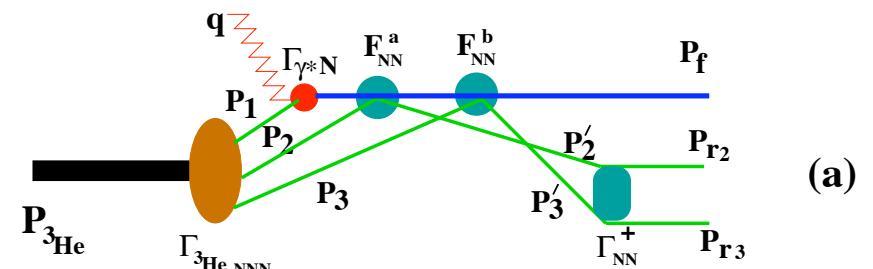
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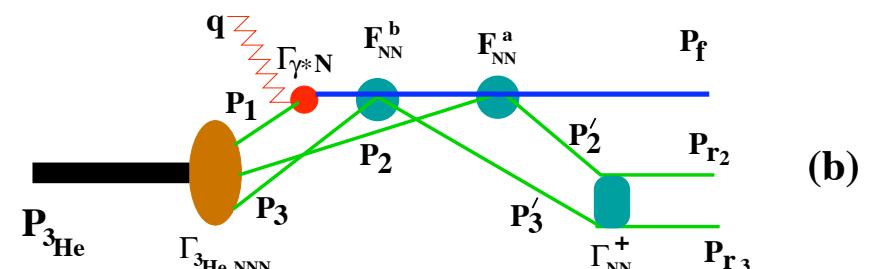
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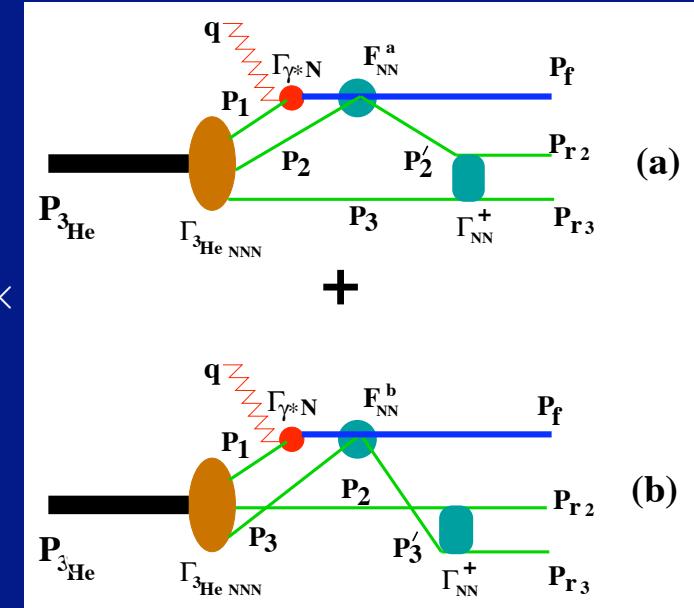
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# Single Rescattering

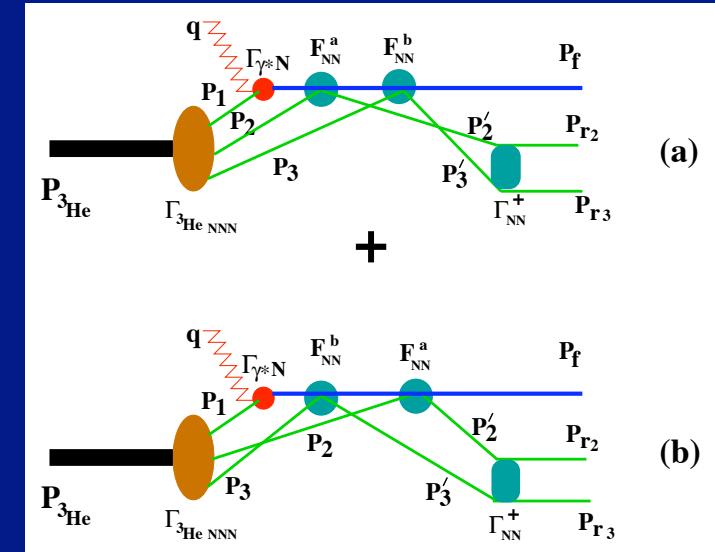
$$\begin{aligned}
A_{1a}^\mu &= - \int \frac{d^4 p_2}{i(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^4 p_3}{i(2\pi)^4} \bar{u}(p_{r3}) \bar{u}(p_{r2}) \bar{u}(p_f) \frac{\Gamma_{NN}^+(p'_2, p_3)(\hat{p}'_2 + m)}{p'^2_2 - m^2 + i\varepsilon} \times \\
&\times \frac{F_{NN}^a(p'_2 - p_2)(\hat{p}_1 + \hat{q} + m)}{(p_1 + q)^2 - m^2 + i\varepsilon} \cdot \Gamma_{\gamma^* N}^\mu \cdot \frac{\hat{p}_3 + m}{p'^2_3 - m^2 + i\varepsilon} \times \\
&\times \frac{\hat{p}_2 + m}{p'^2_2 - m^2 + i\varepsilon} \cdot \frac{\hat{p}_1 + m}{p'^2_1 - m^2 + i\varepsilon} \cdot \Gamma_{^3\text{He}NNN}(p_1, p_2, p_3) \chi^A.
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
A_{1a}^\mu &= -\frac{F}{2} \sum_{s_{1'}, s_{2'}, s_1, s_2, s_3} \sum_{t_1, t_2', t_2, t_3} \int \frac{d^3 p_2}{(2\pi)^3} d^3 p_3 \Psi_{NN}^{\dagger p_{r2}, s_{r2}, t_{r2}; p_{r3}, s_{r3}, t_{r3}}(p'_2, s_{2'}, t_{2'}; p_3, s_3, t_3) \\
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&\times j_{t_1}^\mu(p_1 + q, s_{1'}; p_1, s_1) \cdot \Psi_A^{s_A}(p_1, s_1, t_1; p_2, s_2, t_2; p_3, s_3, t_3).
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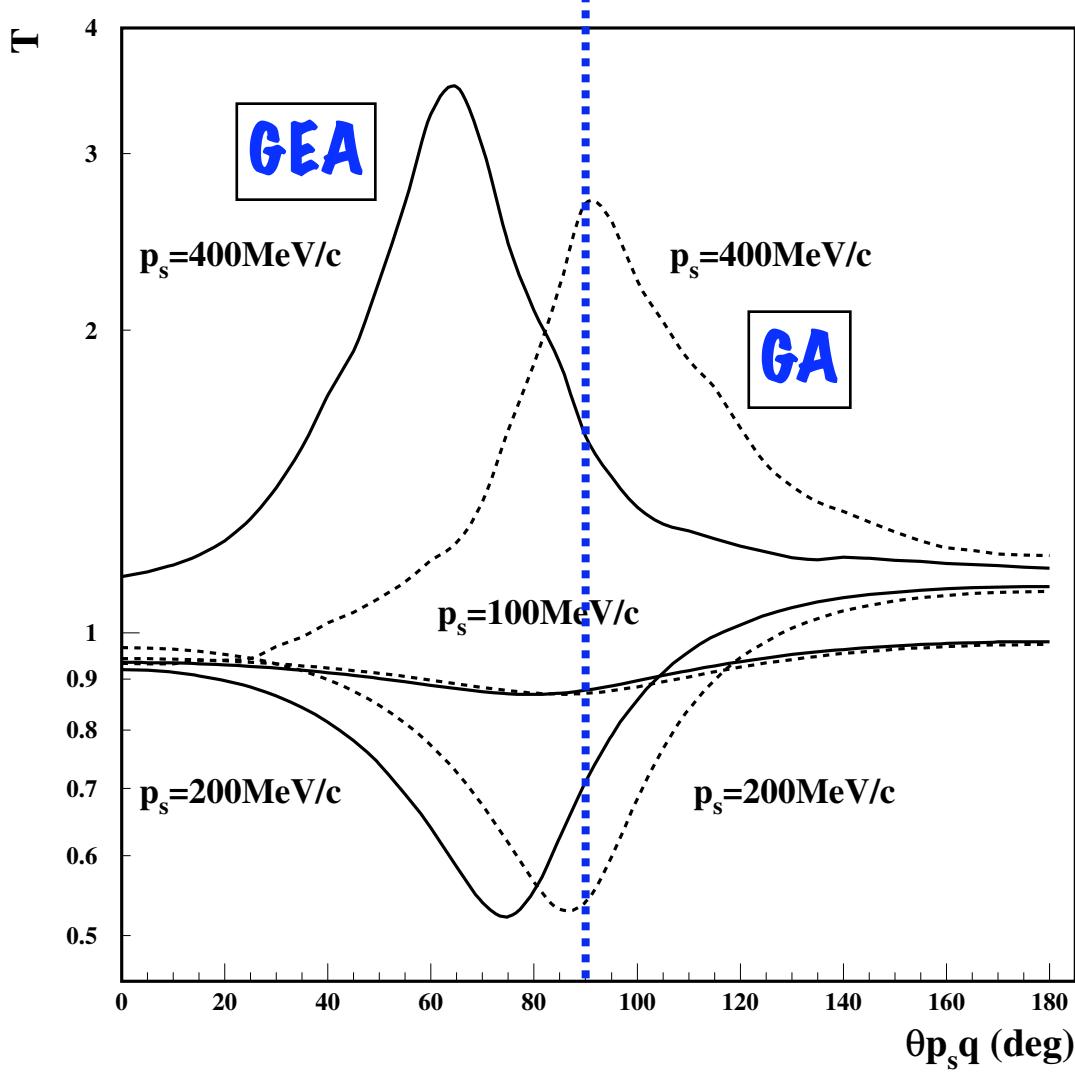
$$\Delta^0 = \frac{q_0}{q} (T_{r2} + T_{r3} + |\epsilon_A|)$$

# Double Rescattering



$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{2a}^\mu = & \frac{F}{4} \sum_{s_1, s_2, s_3} \sum_{t_1, t_2, t_3, t_{1'}, t_{2'}, t_{3'}} \int \frac{d^3 p'_3}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3 p_2}{(2\pi)^3} d^3 p_3 \Psi_{NN}^{\dagger p_{r2}, s_{r2}, t_{r2}; p_{r3}, s_{r3}, t_{r3}}(p'_2, s_2, t_{2'}; p'_3, s_3, t_{3'}) \times \\
 & \times \frac{\chi_2(s_{b3}^{NN}) f_{NN}^{t_{3'}, t_f | t_3, t_{1'}}(p'_{3\perp} - p_{3\perp})}{\Delta_3 + p'_{3z} - p_{3z} + i\varepsilon} \frac{\chi_1(s_{a2}^{NN}) f_{NN}^{t_{2'}, t_{1'} | t_2, t_1}(p'_{2\perp} - p_{2\perp})}{\Delta^0 + p_{mz} - p_{1z} + i\varepsilon} \\
 & \times j_{t1}^\mu(p_1 + q, s_f; p_1, s_1) \cdot \Psi_A^{s_A}(p_1, s_1, t_1; p_2, s_2, t_2; p_3, s_3, t_3),
 \end{aligned}$$

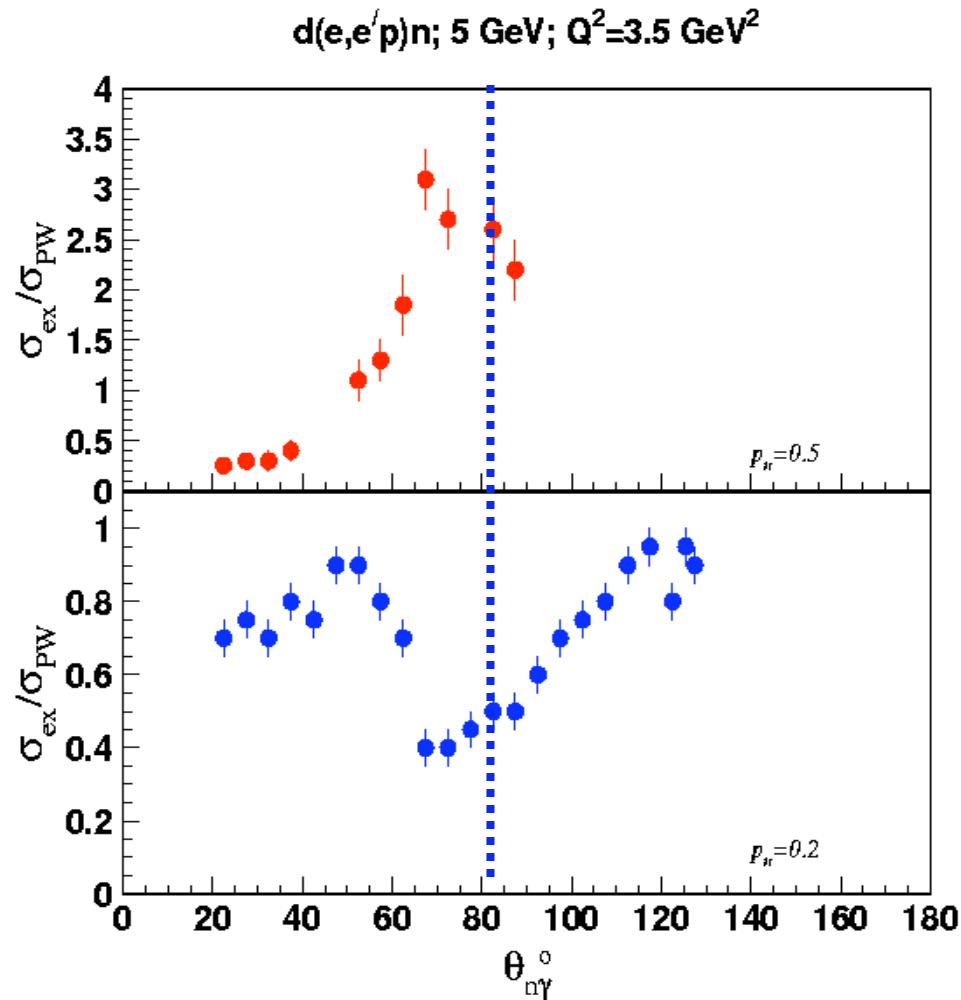
$$\Delta^3 \approx \frac{E_f}{p_{fz}} T_{r3}$$



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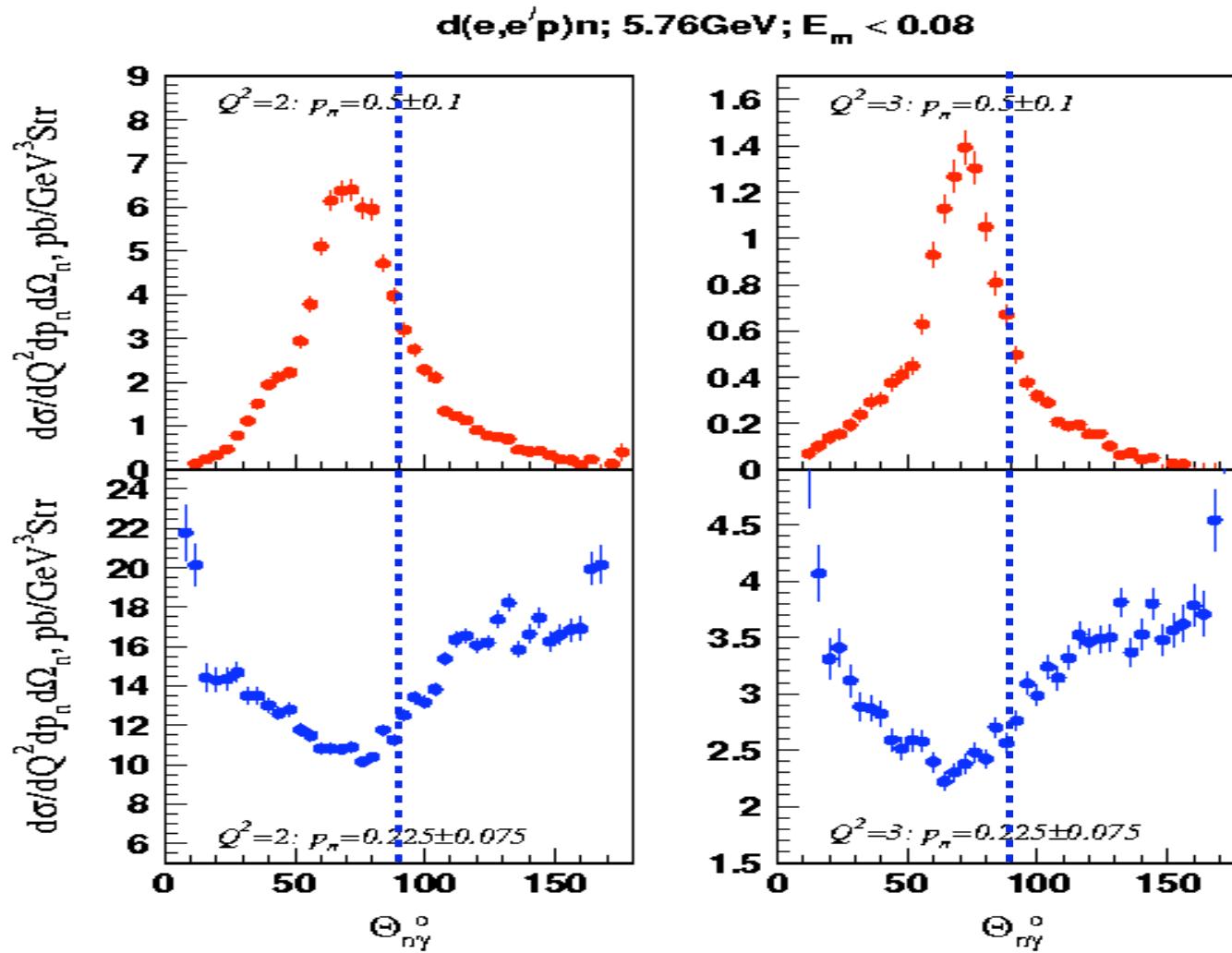
# Recoil-Neutron Angular Distributions; Hall A Exp.

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Luminita Coman, PhD 2007



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# Recoil-Neutron's Angular Distributions - I



# Dynamics of Reinteraction within GEA

Comparing with Glauber theory - Single Rescattering

GEA in coordinate space

$$A_1^\mu \sim \int d^3r \psi_{A-1}^\dagger e^{-ip_i r} \Theta(z) \Gamma_{GEA}^{NN}(\Delta_0, z, b) \Psi_A(r)$$

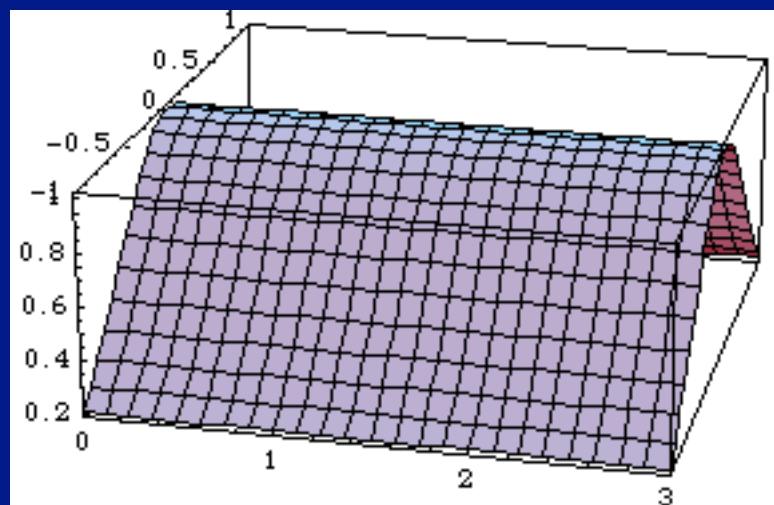
$$\Gamma_{GEA}^{NN}(\Delta_0, z, b) = e^{i\Delta_0 z} \Gamma_{Glauber}^{NN}(z, b)$$

$$\Gamma_{Glauber}^{NN}(z, b) = \frac{1}{2i} \int f^{NN}(k_\perp) e^{-ik_\perp b} \frac{d^2 k_\perp}{(2\pi)^2}$$

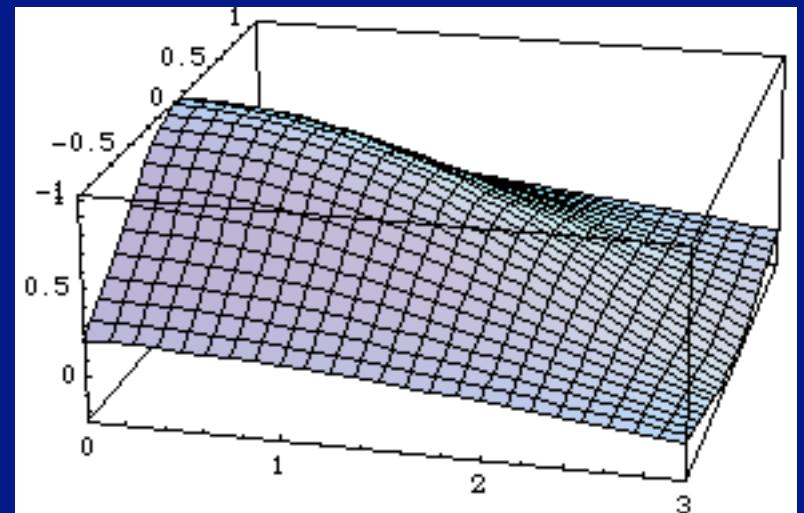
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# Impulse Approximation

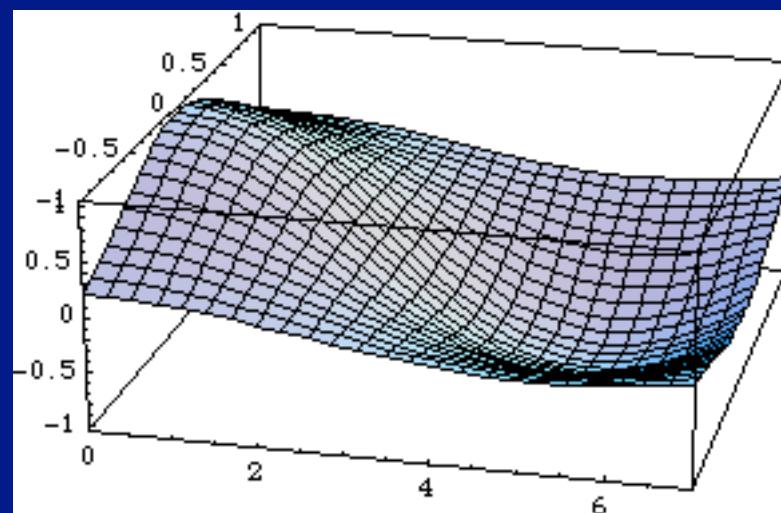
$\Gamma_{Glauber}(z, b)$



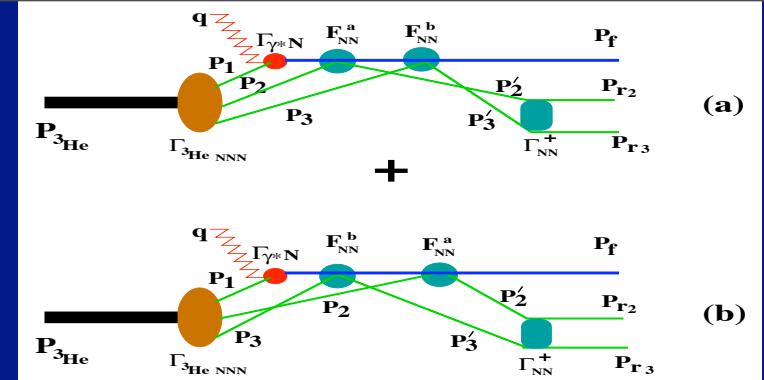
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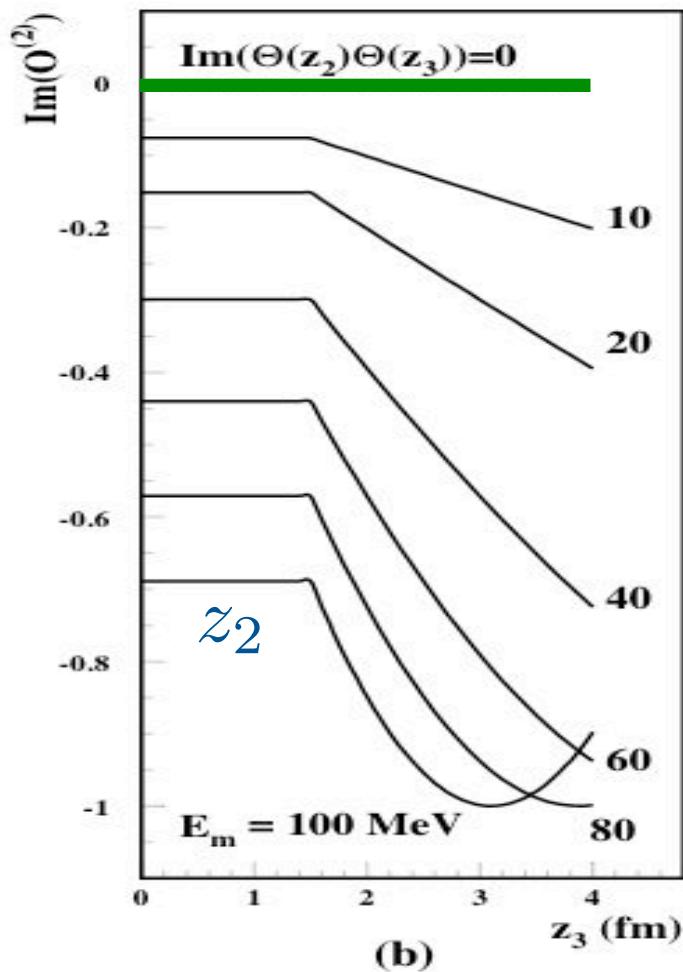
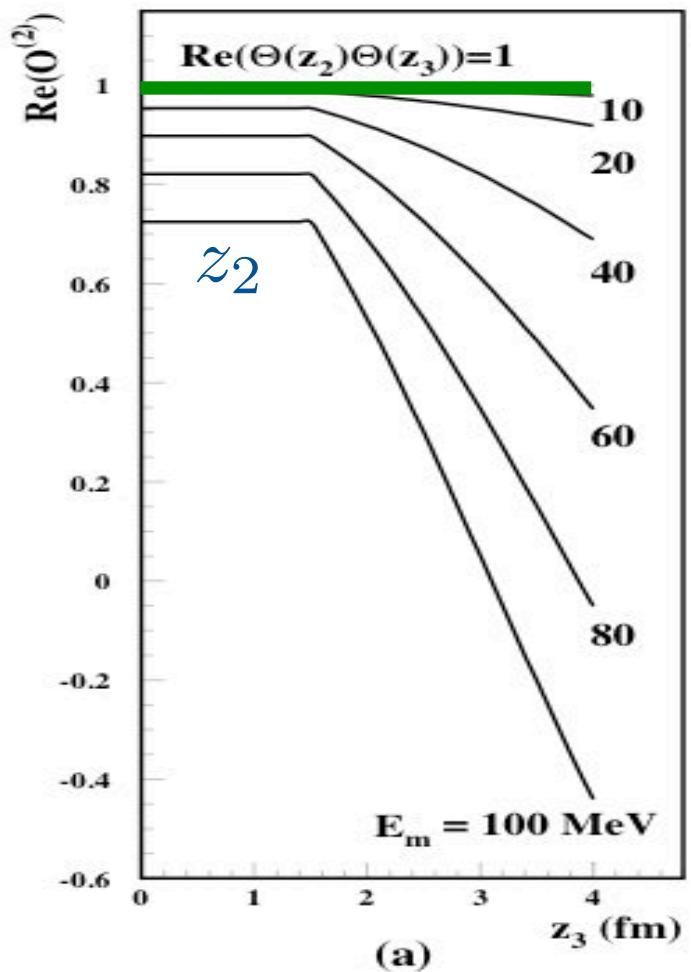


# Double Rescattering



$$\begin{aligned}
 A_2^\mu &\sim \int d^3x_1 d^3x_2 d^3x_3 \psi^\dagger(x_2 - x_3), \mathcal{O}^{(2)}(z_1, z_2, z_3, \Delta_0, \Delta_2, \Delta_3) \\
 &\quad \Gamma^{NN}(x_2 - x_1, \Delta_0) \Gamma^{NN}(x_3 - x_1, \Delta_0) e^{-i\vec{r}_1 \cdot \vec{p}_m} \psi_A(x_1, x_2, x_3) \\
 \mathcal{O}^{(2)}(z_1, z_2, z_3, \Delta_0, \Delta_2, \Delta_3) &= \\
 &\quad \Theta(z_2 - z_1) \Theta(z_3 - z_2) e^{-i\Delta_3(z_2 - z_1)} e^{i(\Delta_3 - \Delta_0)(z_3 - z_1)} \\
 &\quad + \Theta(z_3 - z_1) \Theta(z_2 - z_3) e^{-i\Delta_2(z_3 - z_1)} e^{i(\Delta_2 - \Delta_0)(z_2 - z_1)}. \tag{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{O}|_{\Delta, \Delta_2, \Delta_3 \rightarrow 0} \rightarrow \Theta(z_2 - z_1) \Theta(z_3 - z_1)$$



# FSI Conserves $\alpha$

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\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{[p_z^m + \Delta_0 - p_{1z} + i\epsilon]} = \frac{1}{m[\alpha_1 - \alpha_i - \frac{Q^2}{2q^2} \frac{E_m}{m} + i\epsilon]}.$$

$$\boxed{E_m = q_0 - T_f}$$

$$\boxed{\alpha_i = \alpha_f - \frac{q_-}{m}}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{Q^2}{2|q|^2} \frac{E_m}{m} = \frac{1}{2(1 + \frac{q_0}{2mx})} \frac{E_m}{m} \rightarrow 0}$$

# Conservation of $\alpha$

$$A_1^\mu \sim - \int \psi_A(\alpha_1, p_{1t}, \alpha_2, p_{2t}, \alpha_3, p_{3t}) J_1^{em,\mu}(Q^2) \frac{f^{NN}}{\underbrace{[\alpha_1 - \alpha_m - \frac{Q^2}{2q^2} \frac{E_m}{m} + i\epsilon]}_{\text{red line}}} \\ \psi_{A-1}(\alpha'_2, p'_{2t}, \alpha_3, p_{3t}) \frac{d\alpha_1 d^2 p_{1t}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d\alpha_3 d^2 p_{3t}}{(2\pi)^3}.$$

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## Conservation of $\alpha$

Therefore if the kinematics is chosen such that  $\alpha_i = \alpha_f - \frac{q_-}{m} > j$

The  $\alpha_1$  which enters in FSI amplitude is also  $\alpha_1 \geq j$

and therefore FSI amplitude will be dominated by SRC

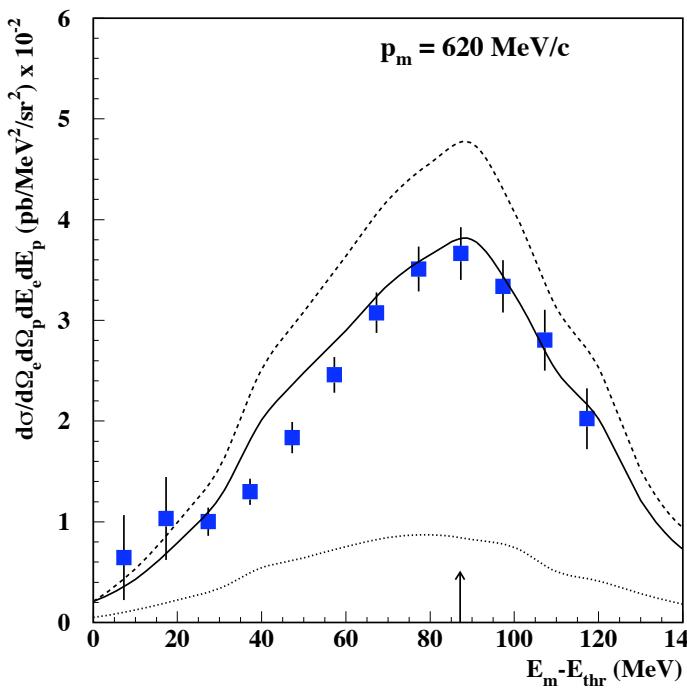
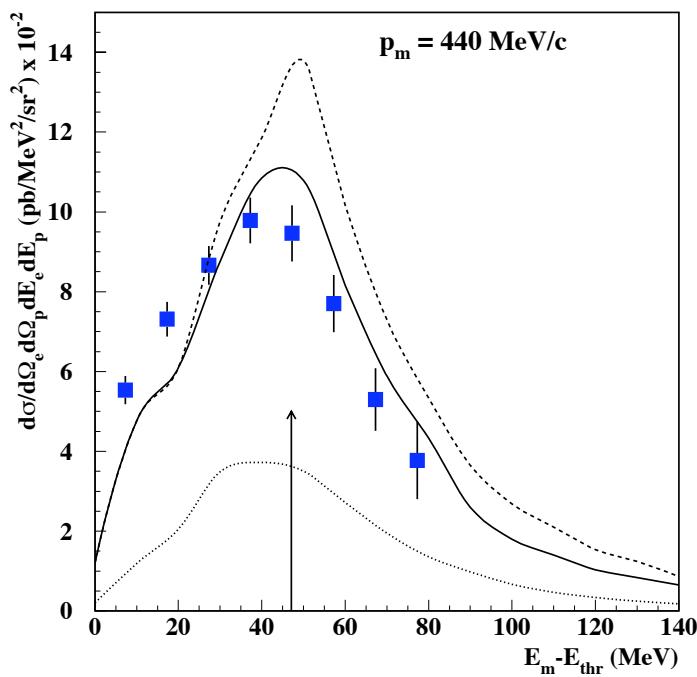
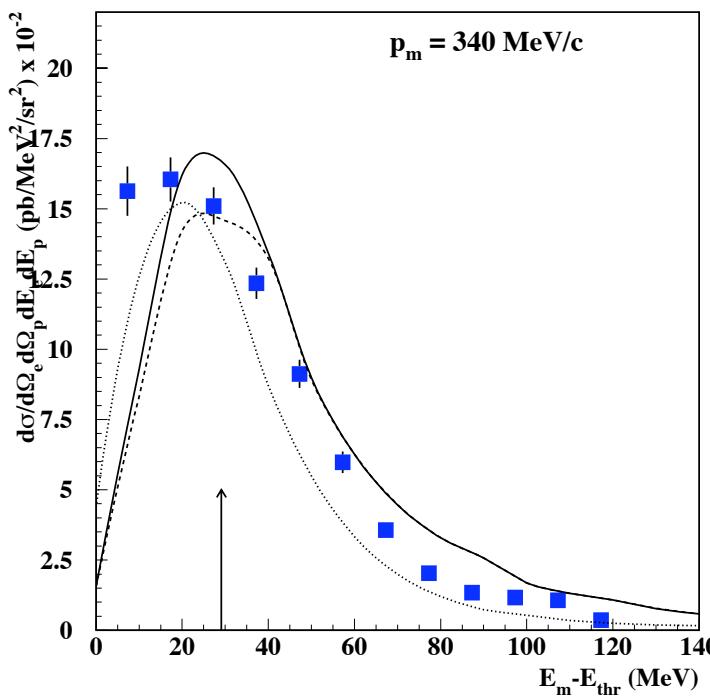
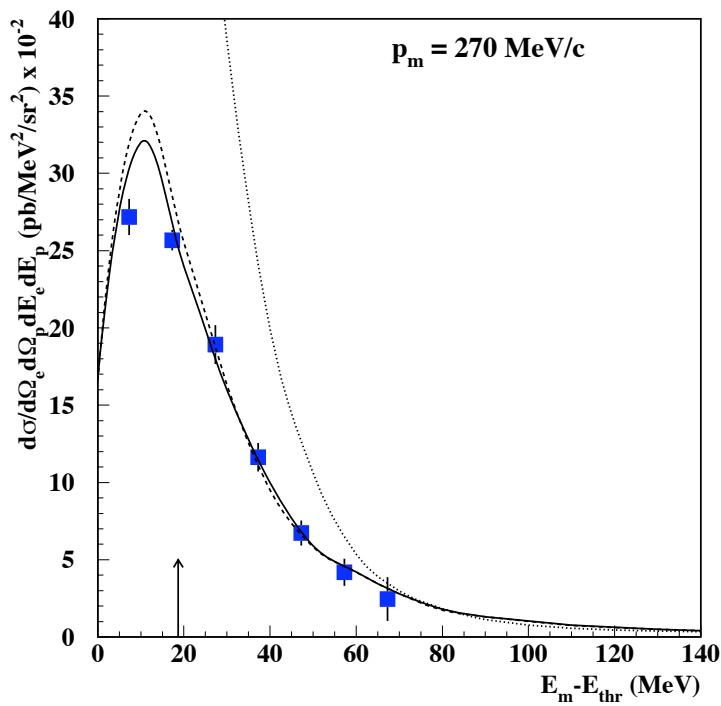
# Which experimental signatures will indicate the suppression of long-range FSI ?

- ★ Naturally will explain the scaling at  $x > 1$
- ★  $E_m \approx \frac{p_m^2}{2m}$  - relation survives FSI
- ★ CM momentum distribution of SRC is not affected by FSI

# Three Body Break-up He3(e,e'p)pn Reaction

$Q^2 = 1.55 \text{ GeV}^2$

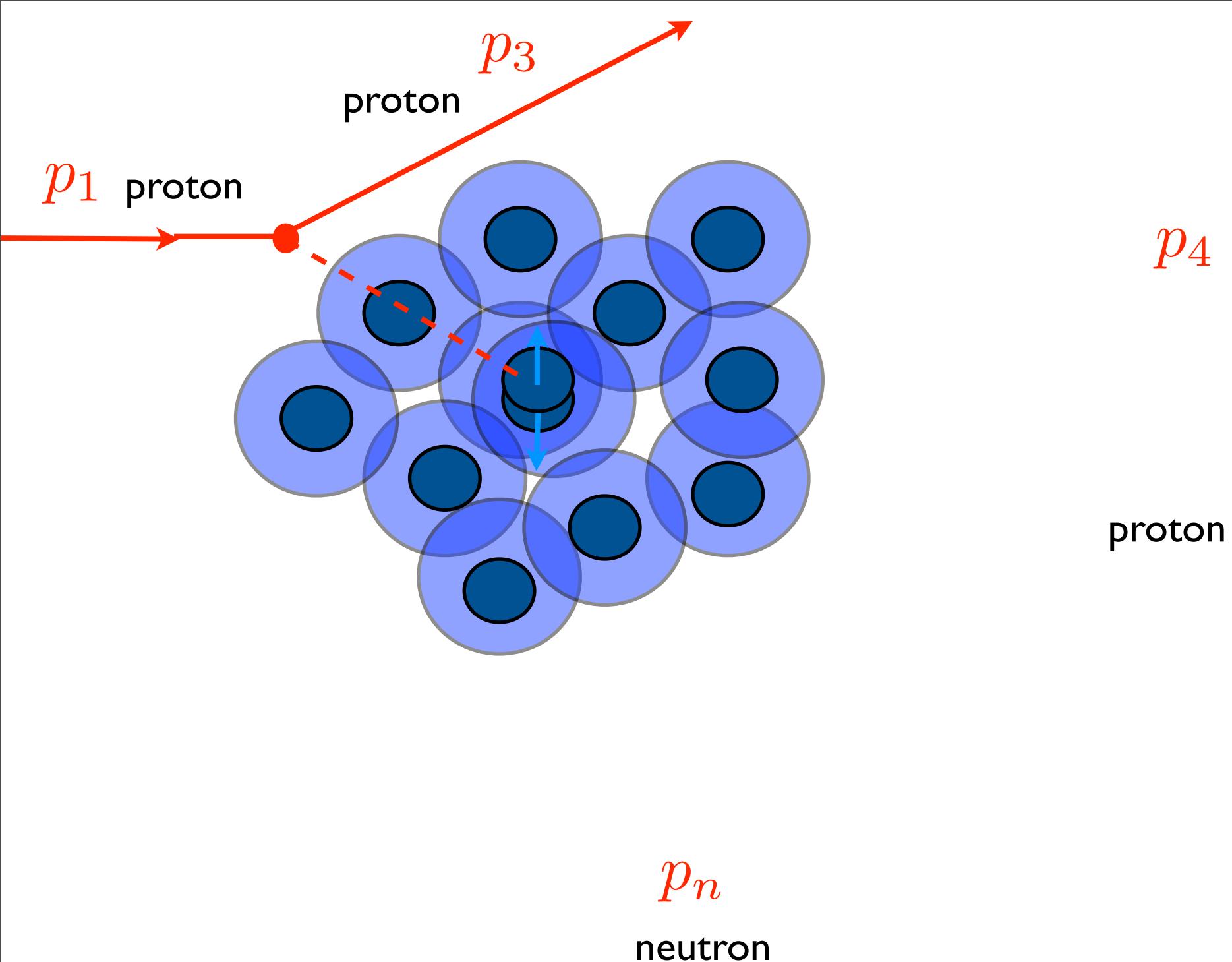
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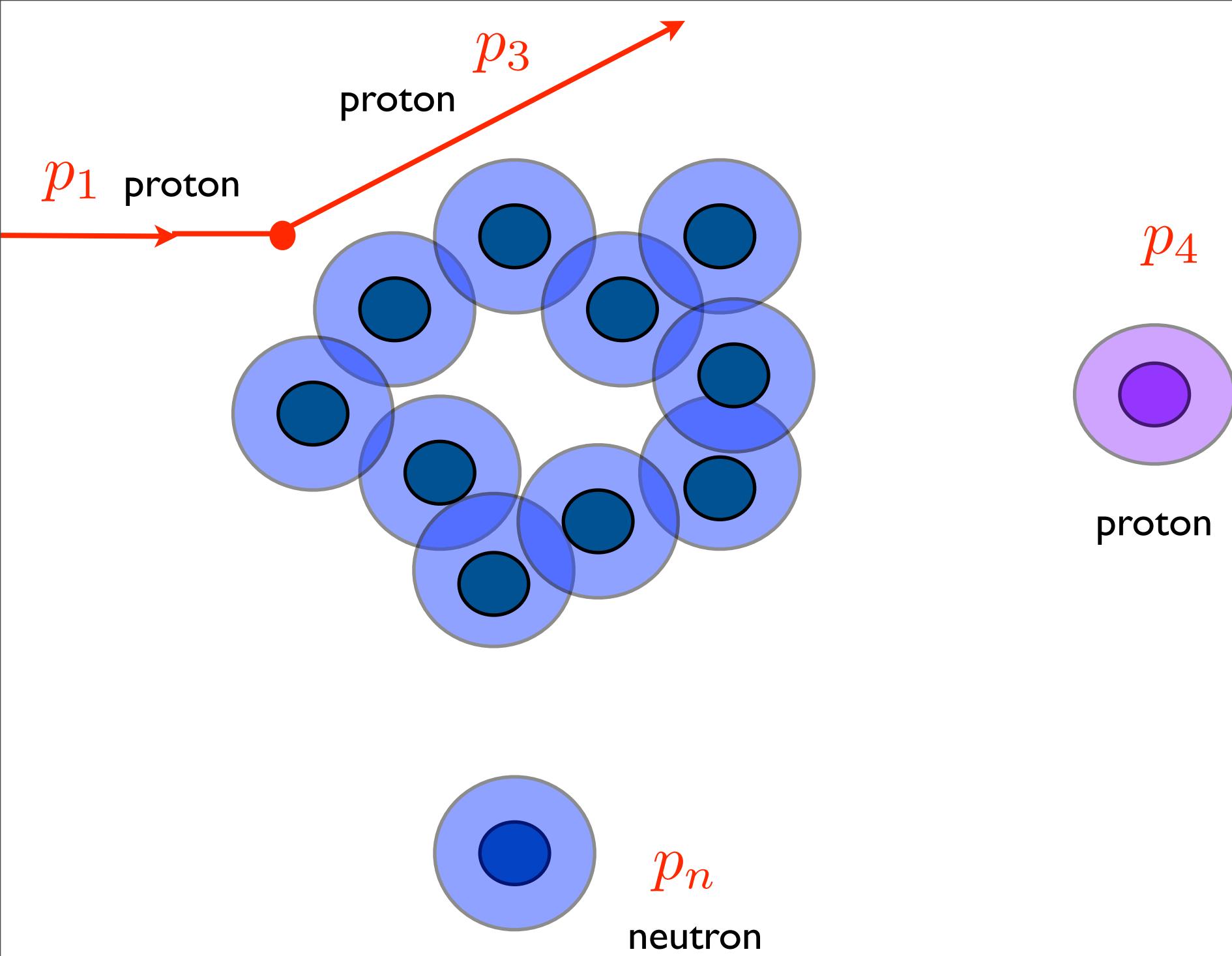


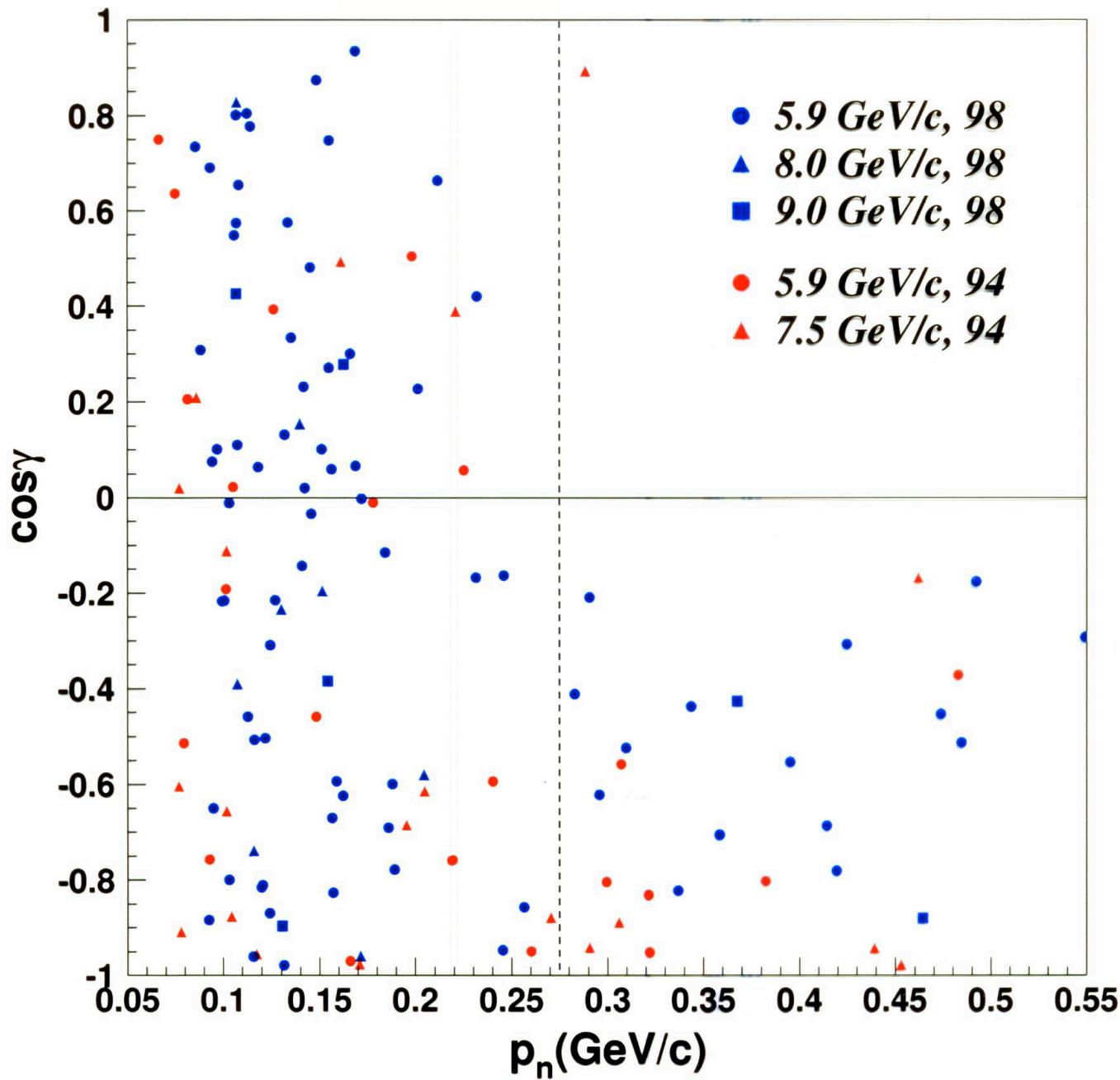
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Strikman, et al PRC 2005

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A.Tang et al, PRL 2003

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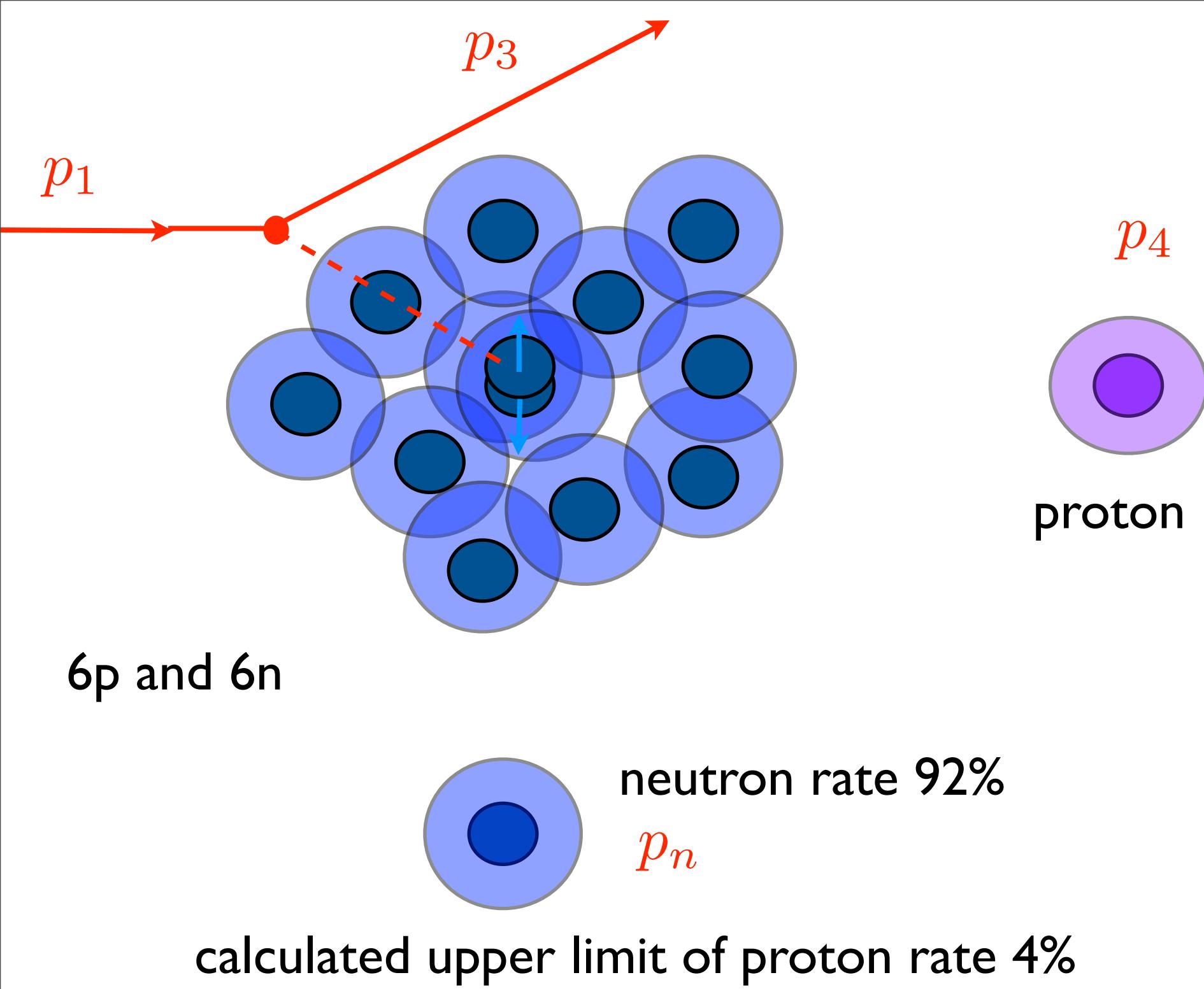
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$$R \equiv \frac{\int\limits_{\alpha_i^{\min}}^{\alpha_i^{\max}} \int\limits_{p_{ti}^{\min}}^{p_{ti}^{\max}} \int\limits_{\alpha_n^{\min}}^{\alpha_n^{\max}} \int\limits_{p_{tn}^{\min}}^{p_{tn}^{\max}} D^{pn}(\alpha_i, p_{ti}, \alpha_n, p_{nt}, P_{R+}) \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} d^2 p_t \frac{d\alpha_n}{\alpha_n} d^2 p_{tn} dP_{R+}}{\int\limits_{\alpha_i^{\min}}^{\alpha_i^{\max}} \int\limits_{p_{ti}^{\min}}^{p_{ti}^{\max}} S^{pn}((\alpha_i, p_{ti}, P_{R+}) \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} d^2 p_t dP_{R+})}.$$

$$P_{pn/pX} = 0.92^{+0.08}_{-0.18}$$

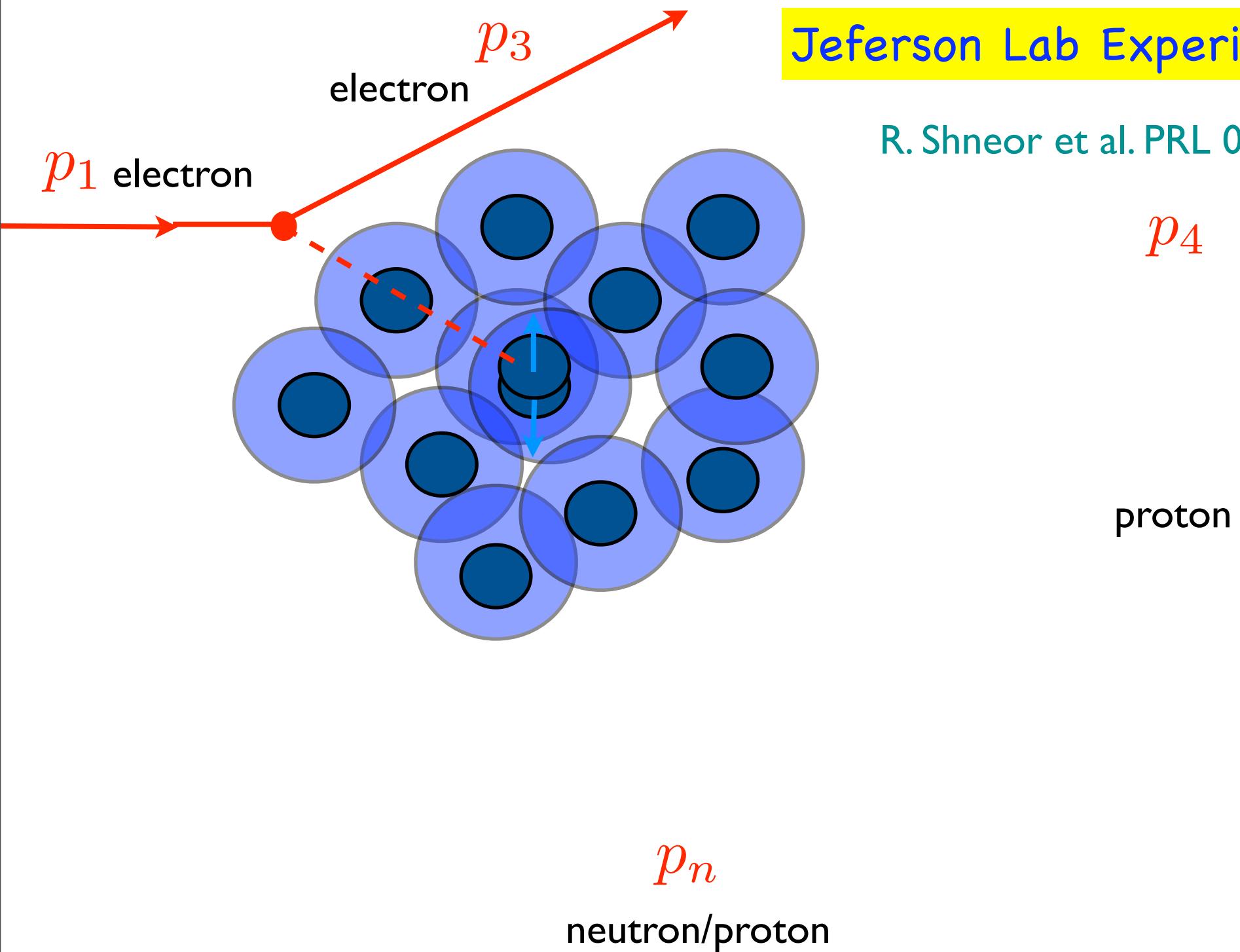
$$\frac{P_{pp}}{P_{pn}} \leq \frac{1}{2}(1 - P_{pn/pX}) = 0.04^{+0.09}_{-0.04}.$$

- 92% of the time two-nucleon high density fluctuations are proton and neutron
- at most 4% of the time proton-proton or neutron-neutron



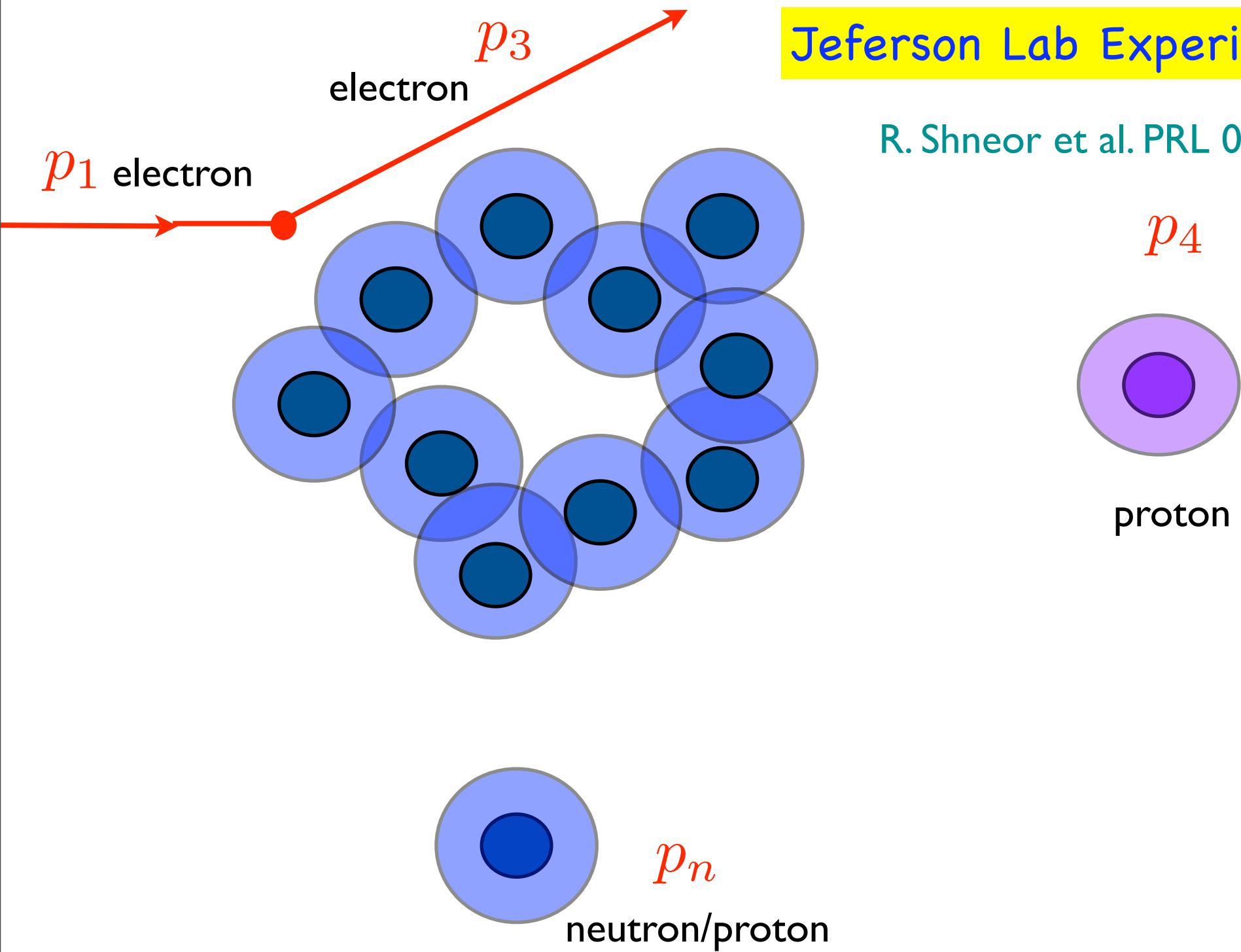
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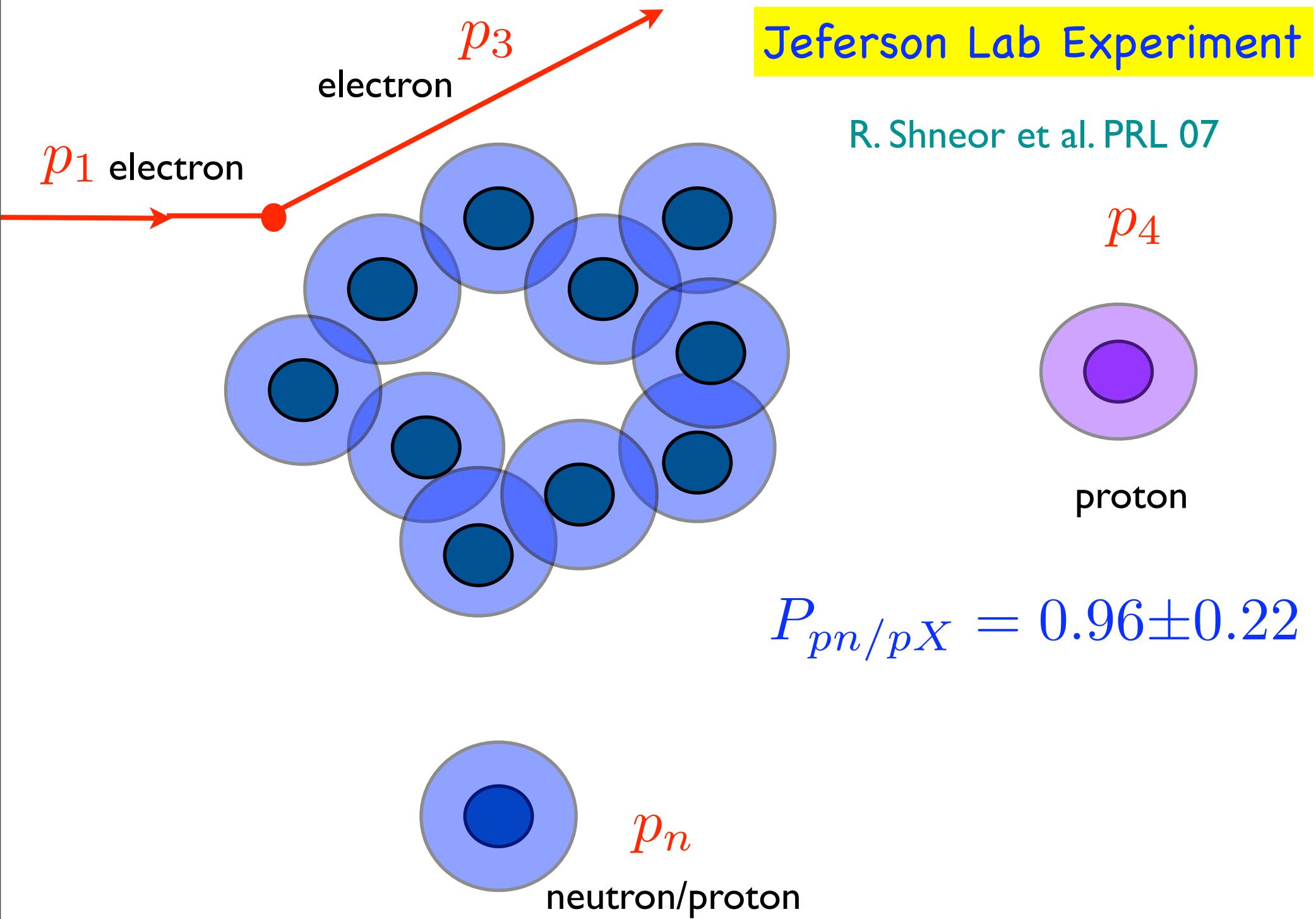


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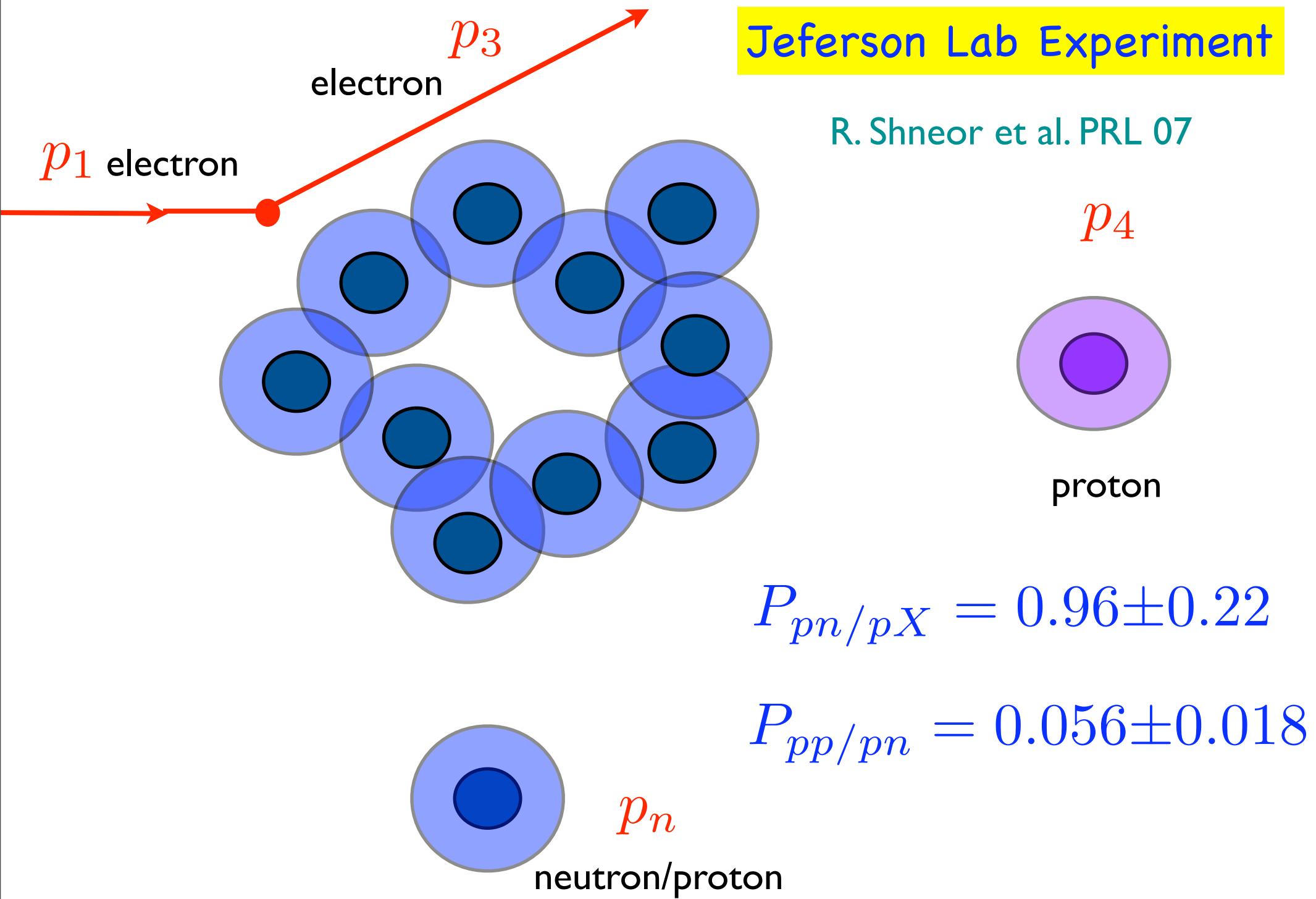


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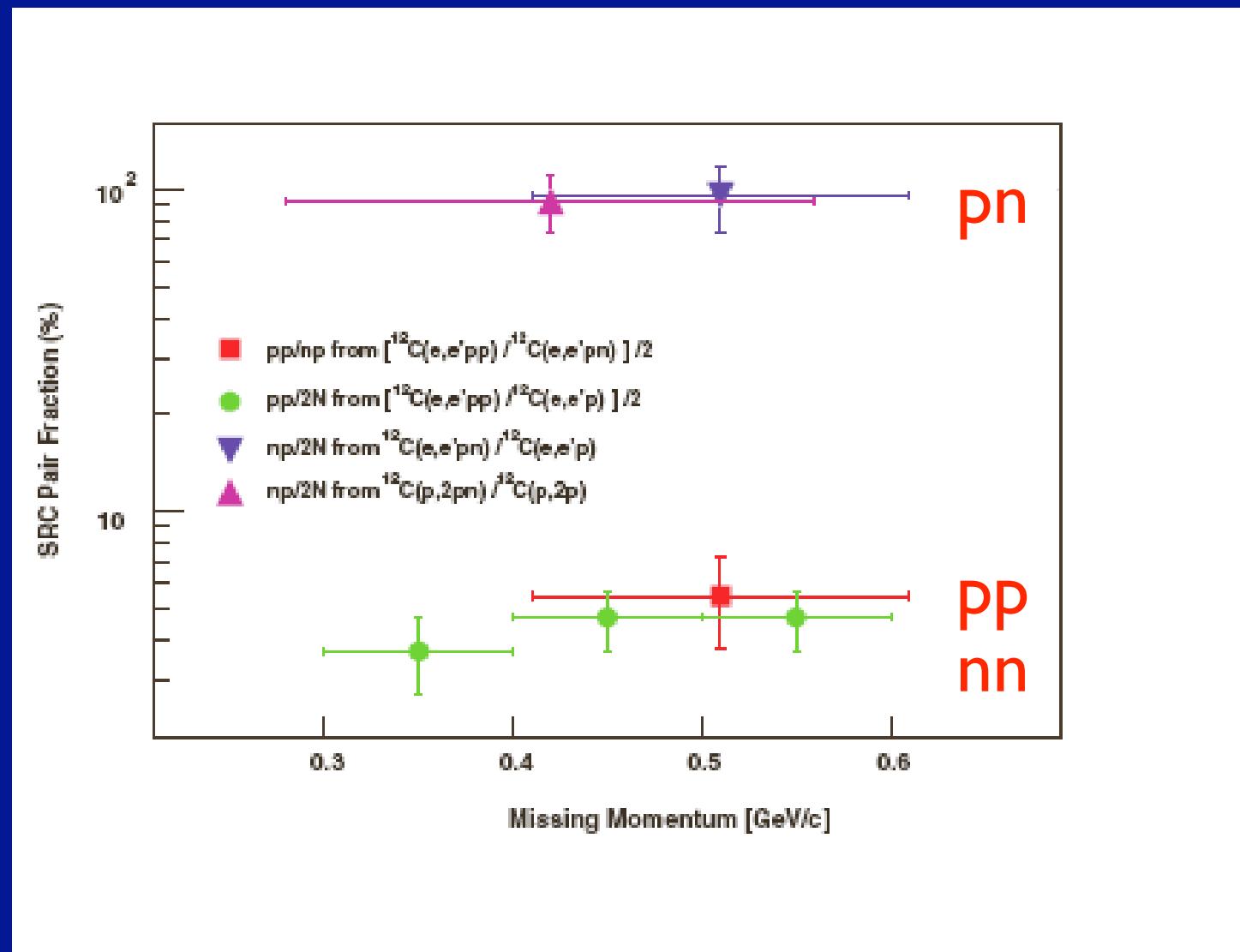


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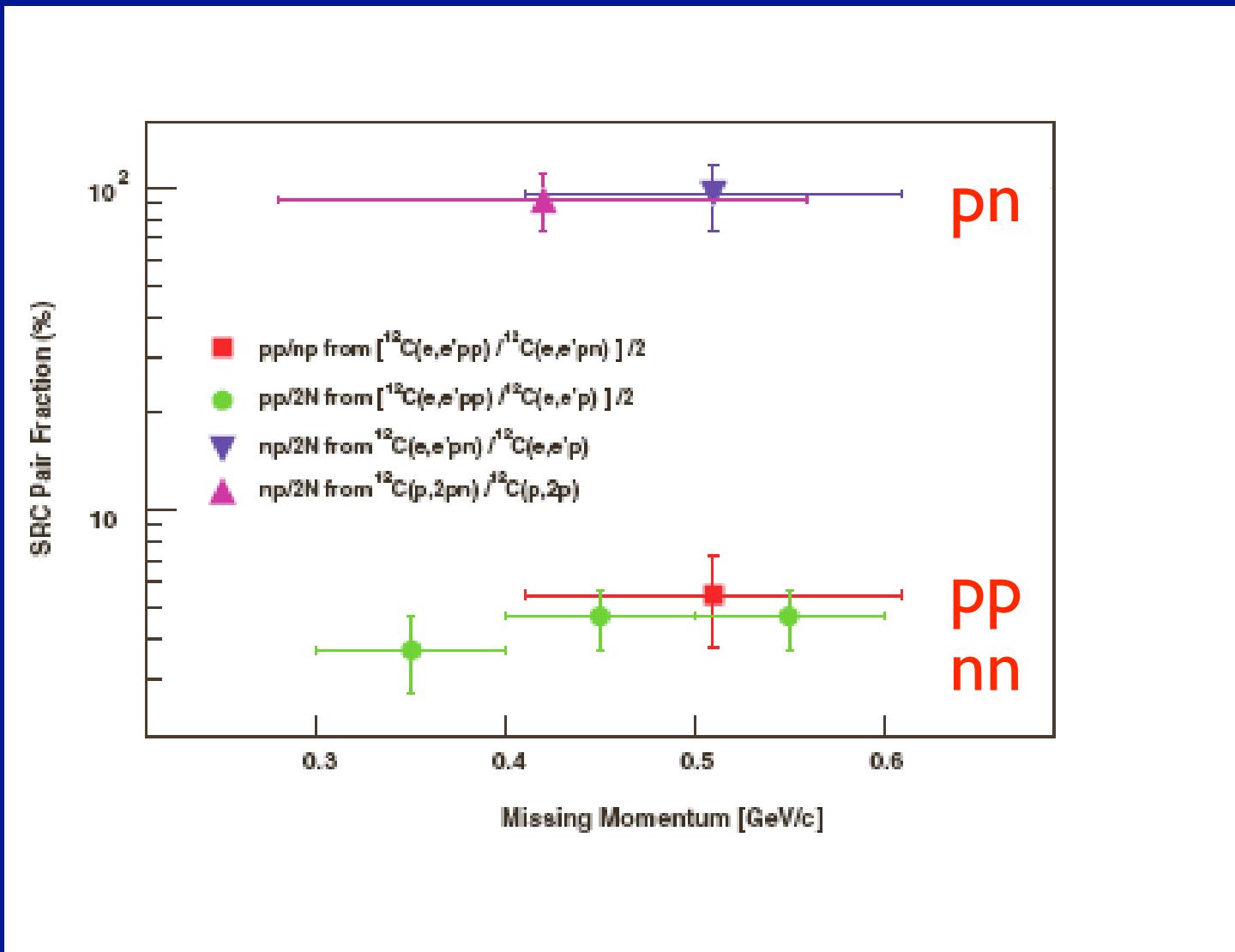


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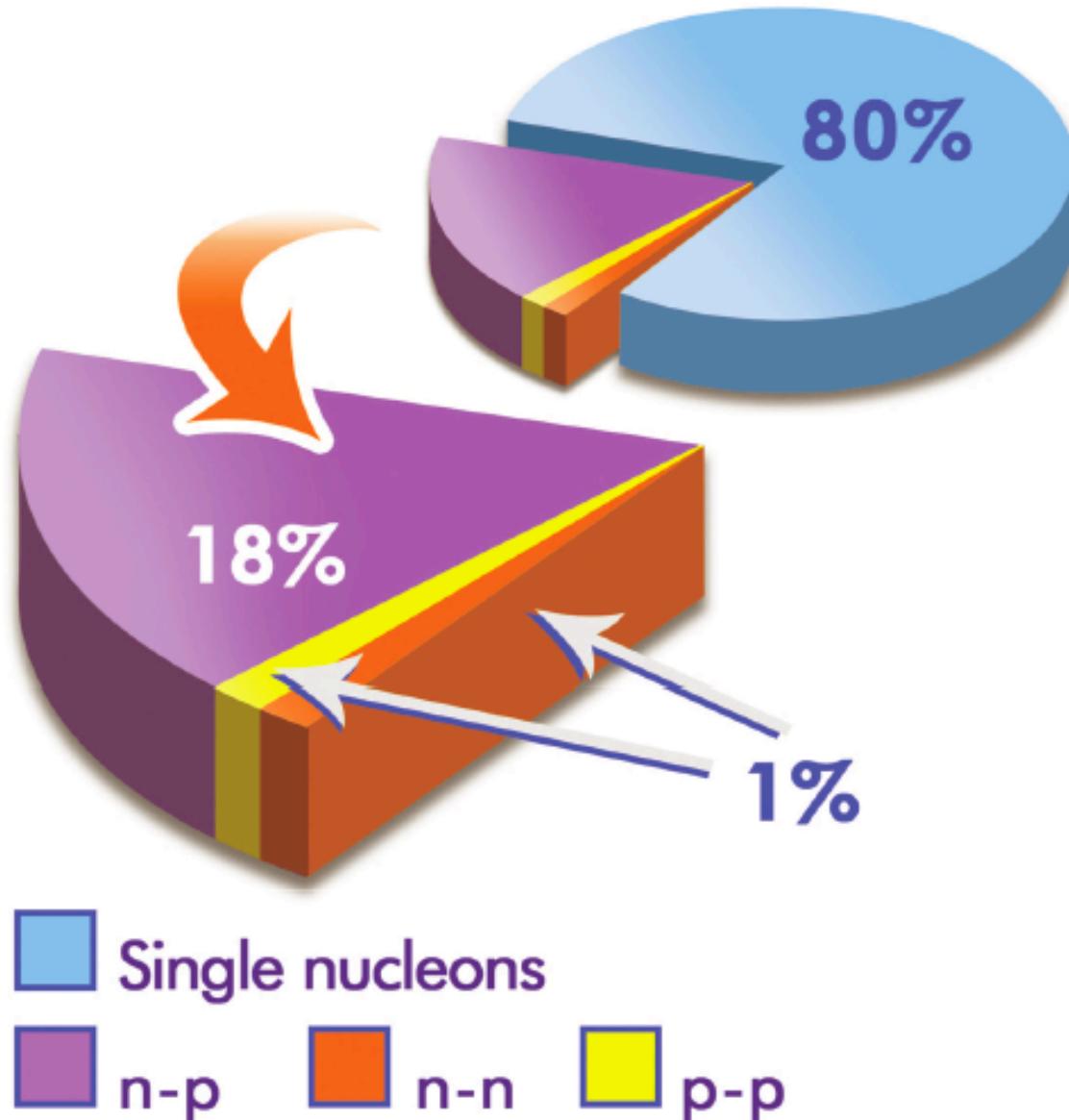


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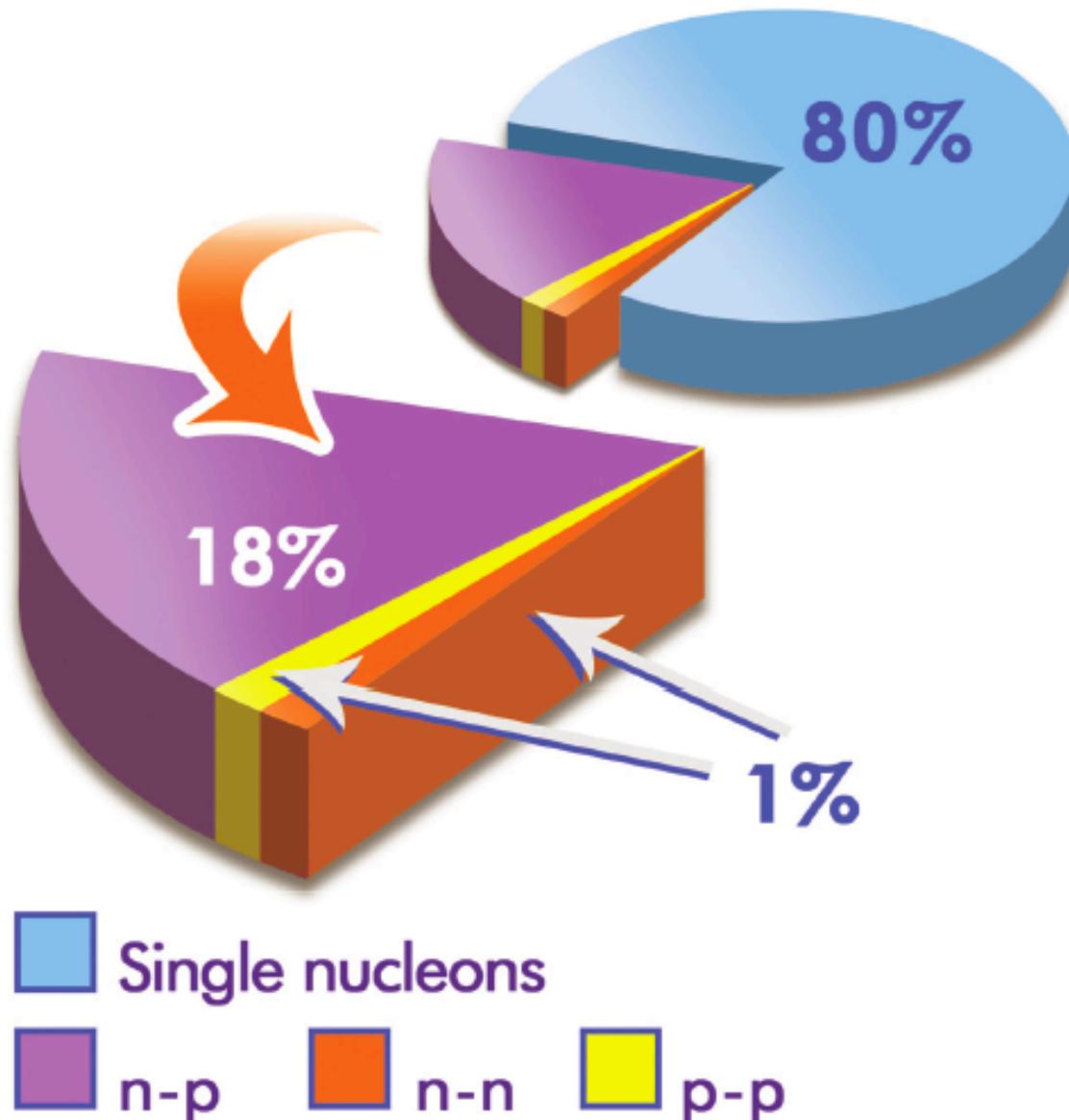


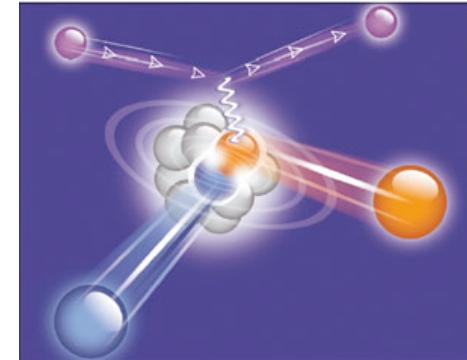
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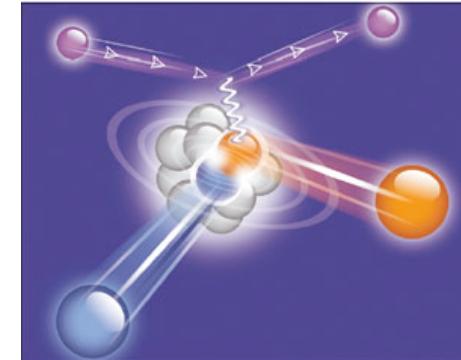
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## Some Conclusions

- We learned to probe directly the short range correlations in nuclei with relative momenta up to 600 MeV/c

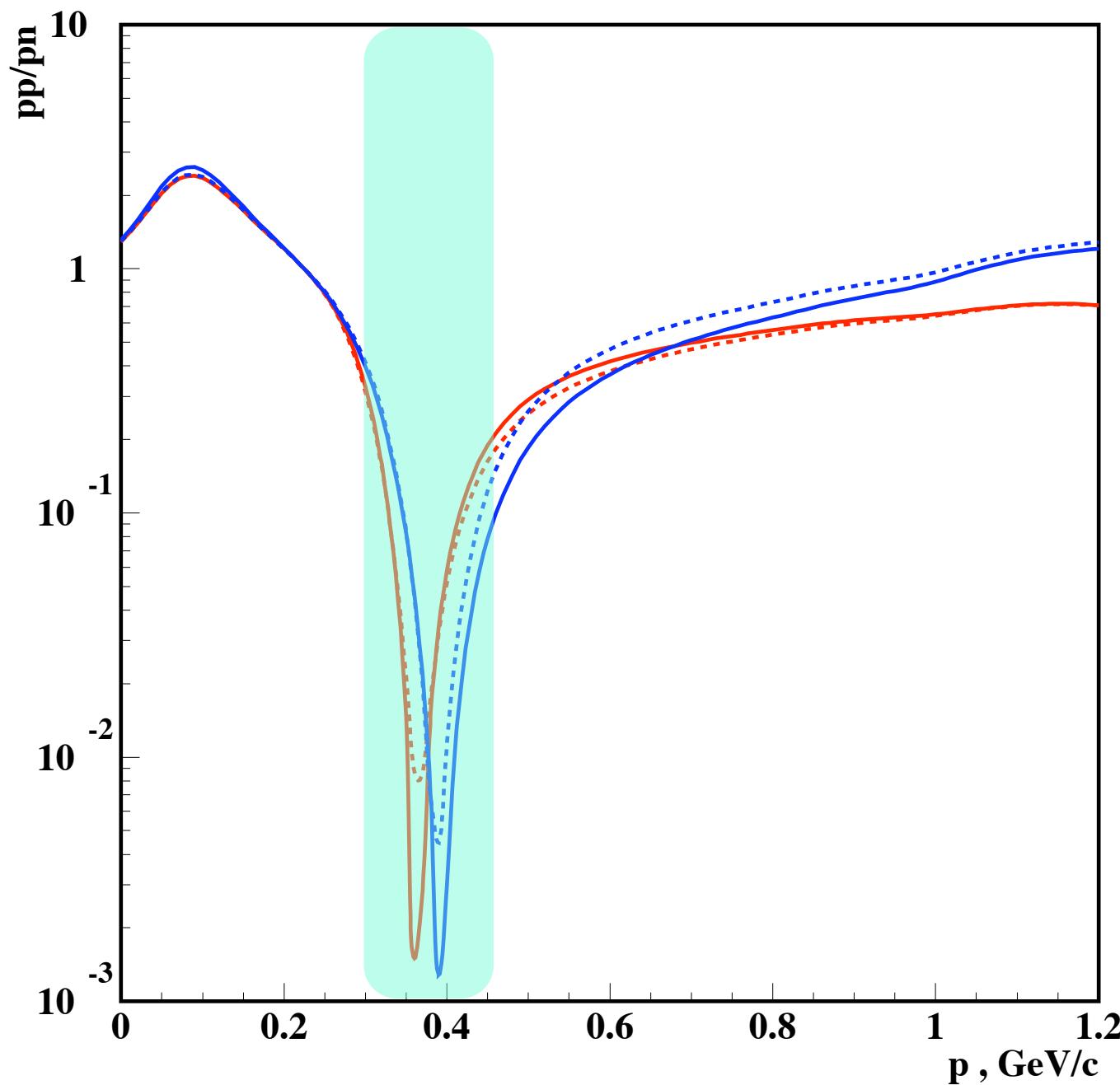
- SRC's are dynamically high-density fluctuations

- Final State Interactions are localized in SRCs

- There is a strong suppression (factor of 20) of pp and nn SRCs as compared to pn SRCs

- this disparity is related to the dominance of the strong tensor force at intermediate to short distances

## Relativism and core of the NN interaction



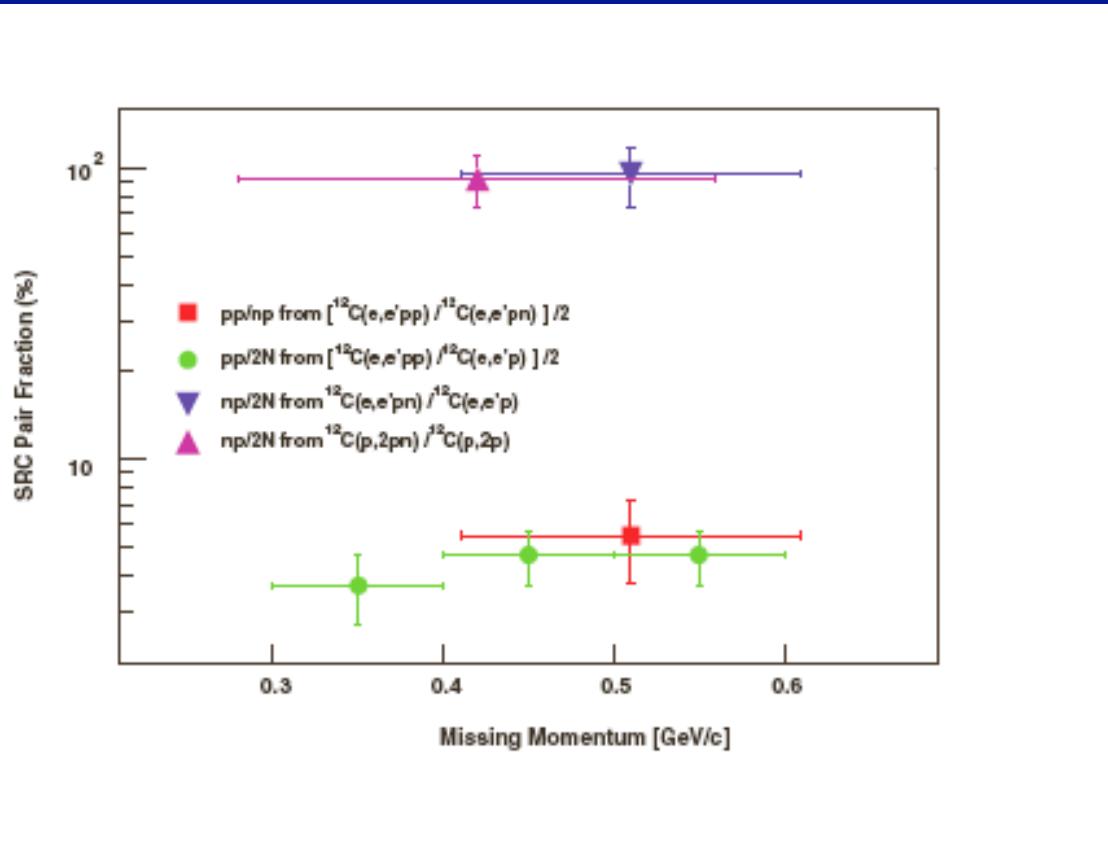
Dominance of  
 $T=0$  channel of  
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# What these studies can tell us about structure of Neutron Stars ?

- Transition from hadronic to quark degrees of freedom in high density nuclear matter
- Role of the protons in highly asymmetric nuclear matter



# Transition from hadronic to quark degrees of freedom in high density nuclear matter



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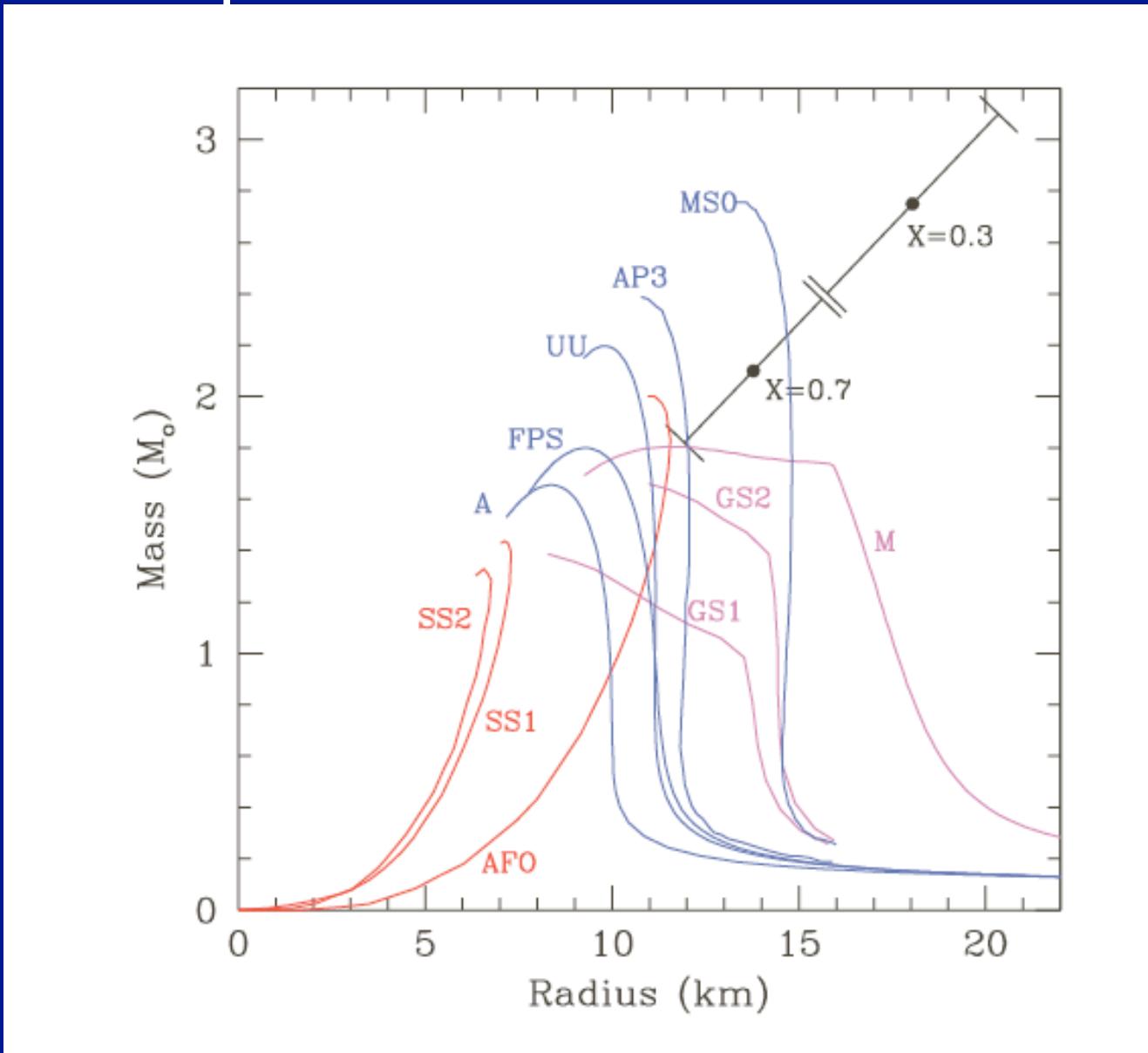
for internal momenta  
up to 600 MeV/c

nucleonic degrees  
freedom are dominant  
for up to  $\sim (4 - 5)\rho_0$

T=0 is dominant: inelasticities appear at  $2(M_\Delta - M_N) \approx 300\text{MeV}$

$$k \sim 700\text{MeV}/c$$

- This may support the phenomenological observation that equation of state is rather stiff



The Mass and Radius estimate of EXO-0748-676 provides the evidence for stiff Equation of State

# Strong Modification of Proton momentum distribution in asymmetric nuclear matter

neutron

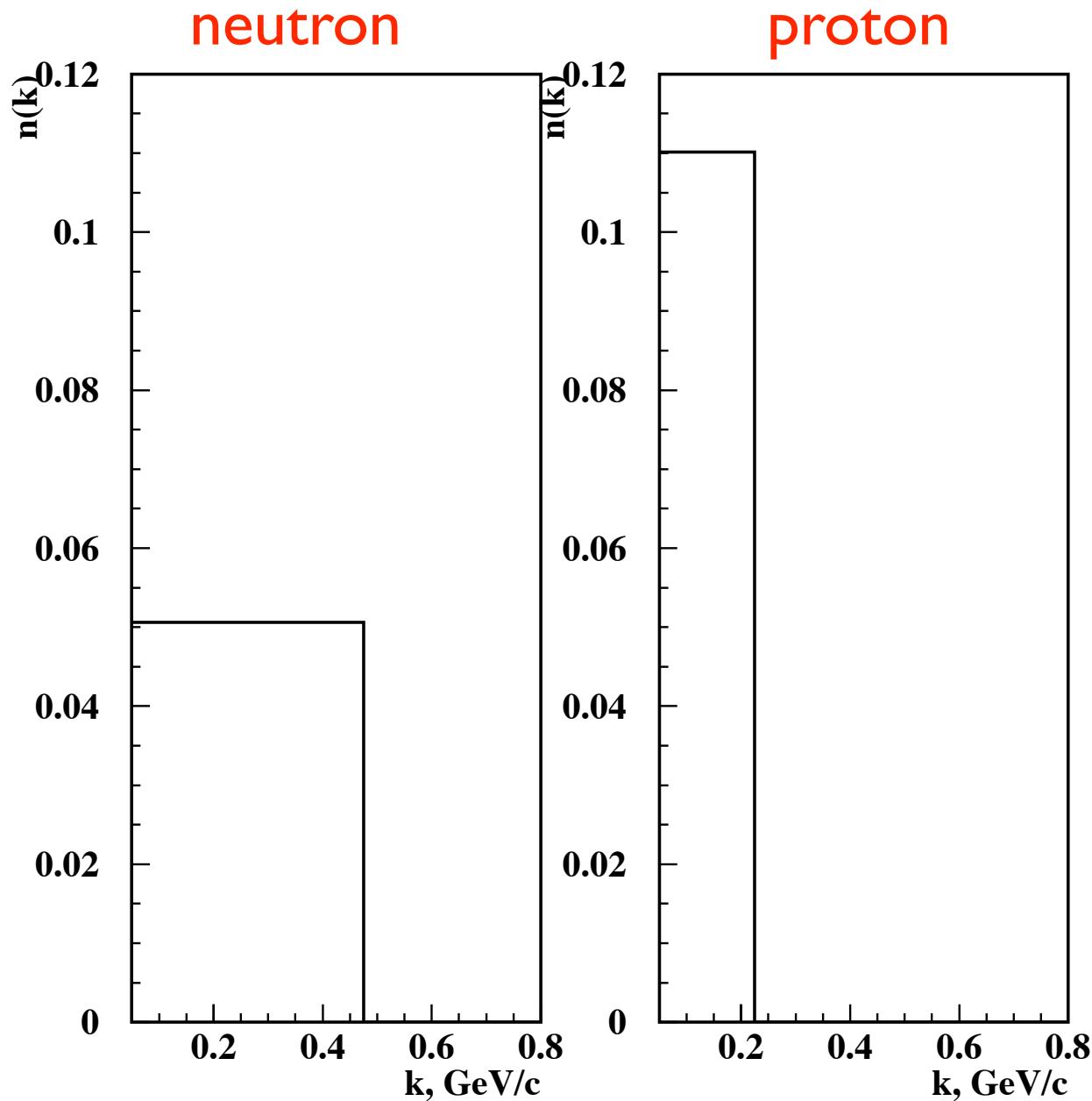
proton

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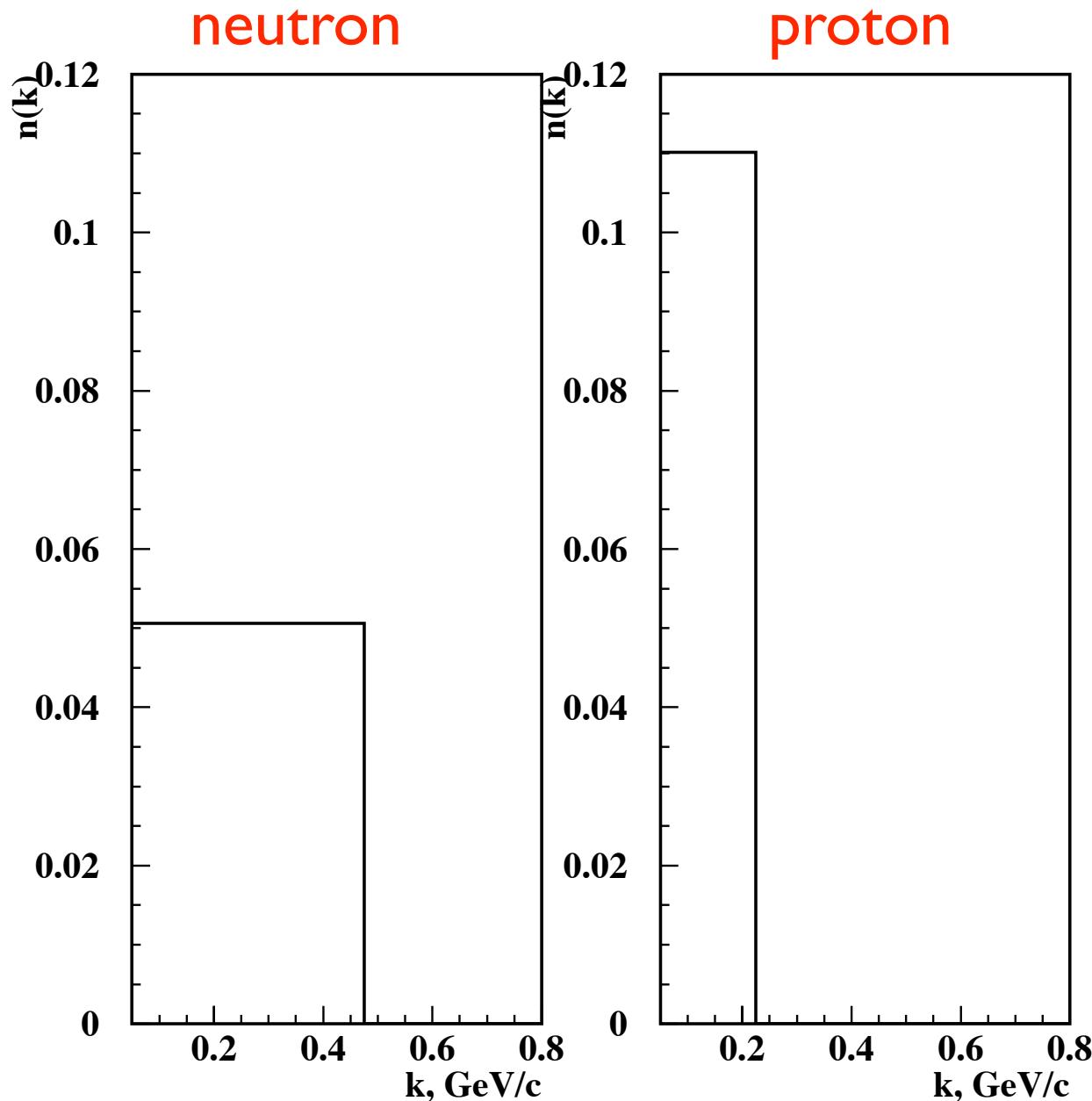


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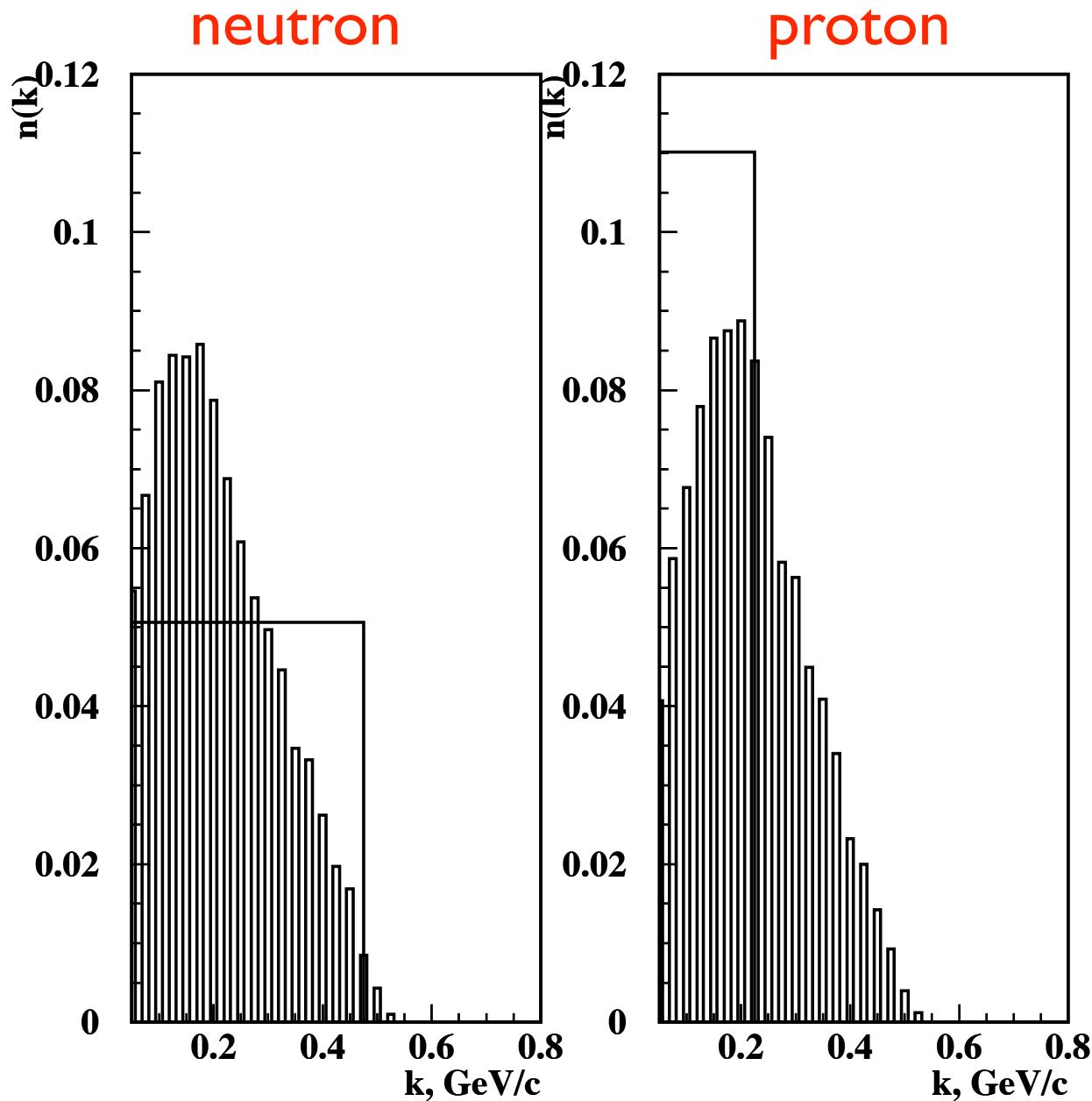
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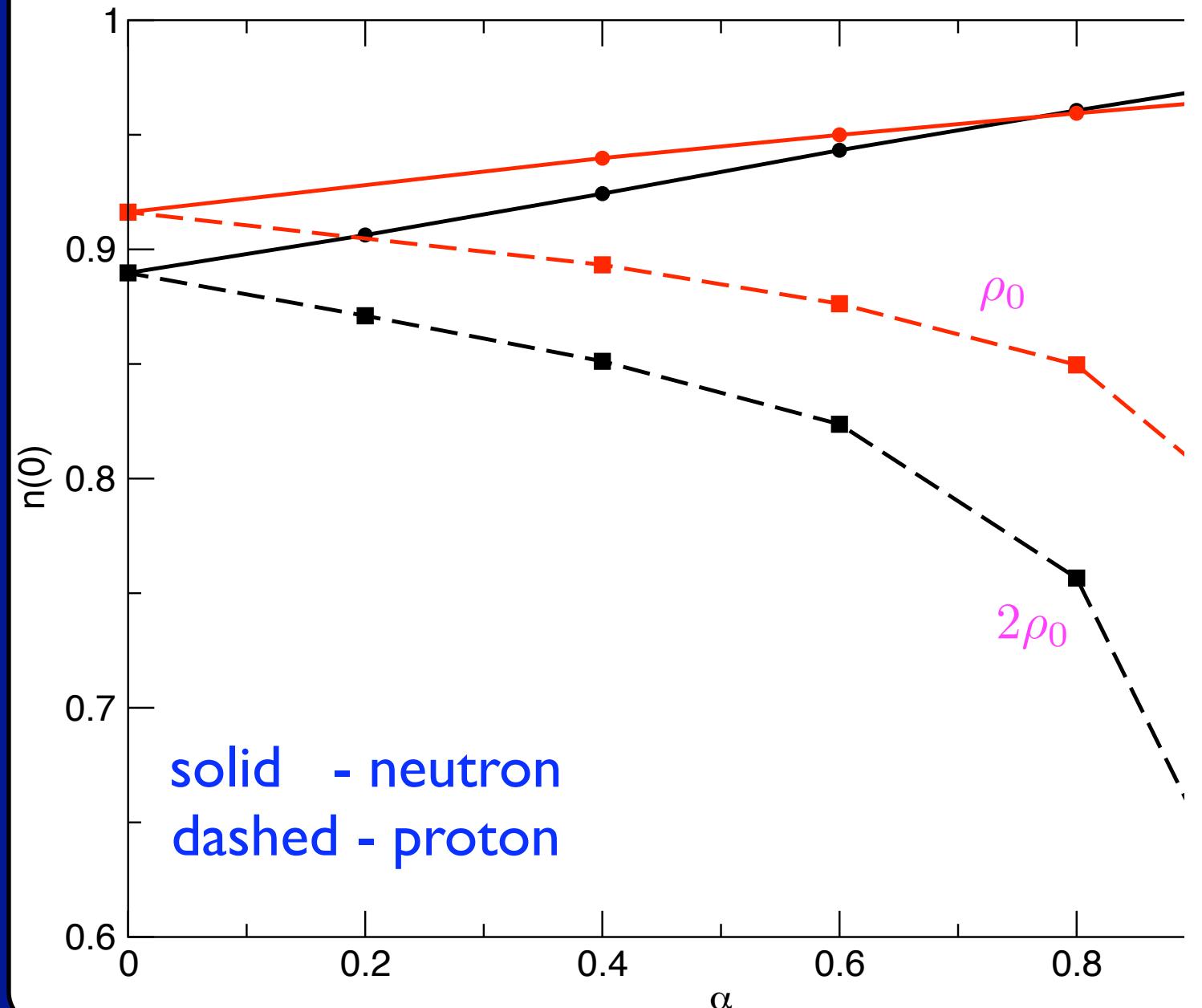
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More realistic case  
Self-Consistent Green-Function Method  
(for finite T= 5MeV)

Frick, Muether, Rios,  
Polls, Ramos  
PRC 2005



## One Possible Effect of Proton Momentum Modification

Continuous cooling of the Neutron Stars due to  
Direct URCA Processes even for  $x_p < \frac{1}{9}$ ,  
which follows from the condition for  $2k_F(p) > k_F(n)$  .  
for noninteracting degenerate gas distributions for p and n

Lattimer,  
Pethic, Prakash,  
Haensel  
PRL 1991



## Conclusions

- High Energy Nuclear Physics may become an earthbound lab for studies several dynamical aspects of dense nuclear matter
- the available data from high-energy nuclear reactions allow to put a limit for quark degrees of freedom for up to 600 MeV/c relative momentum between two nucleons
- Analysis also strongly indicates on the dominance of  $T = 0$  isosinglet states in  $2N$  SRCs in 300-600 MeV/c region
- There is a strong evidence that due to dominant tensor part at short distance, proton spectrum is strongly modified in highly asymmetric nuclear matter