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E08-014: 3-nucleon correlations

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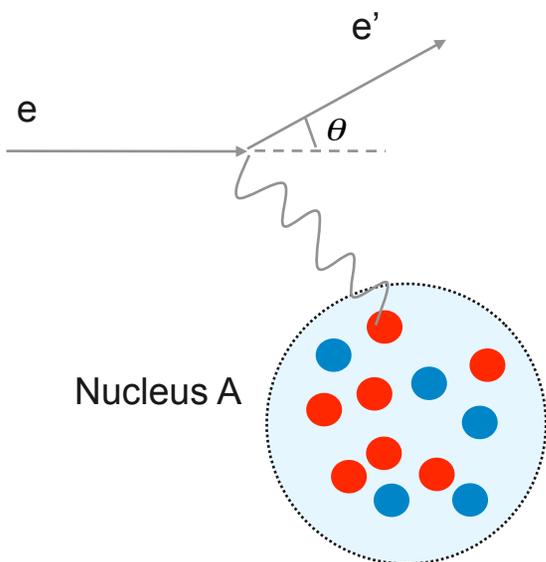
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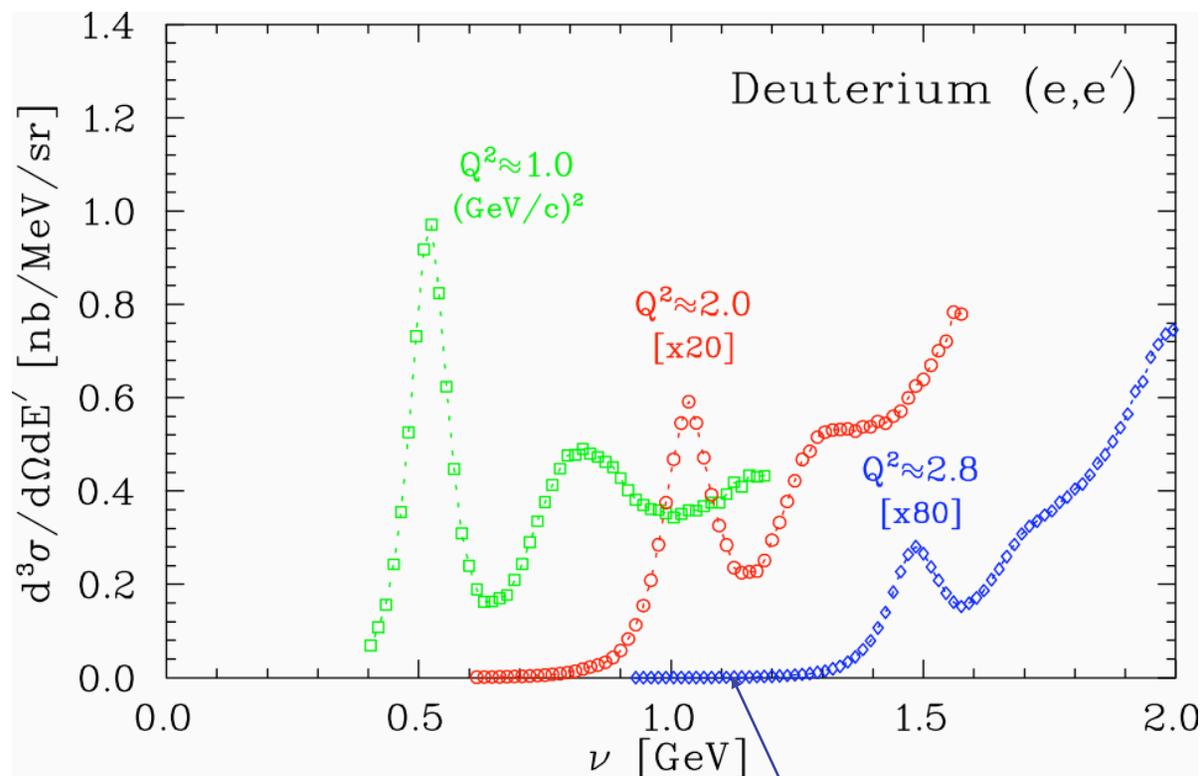
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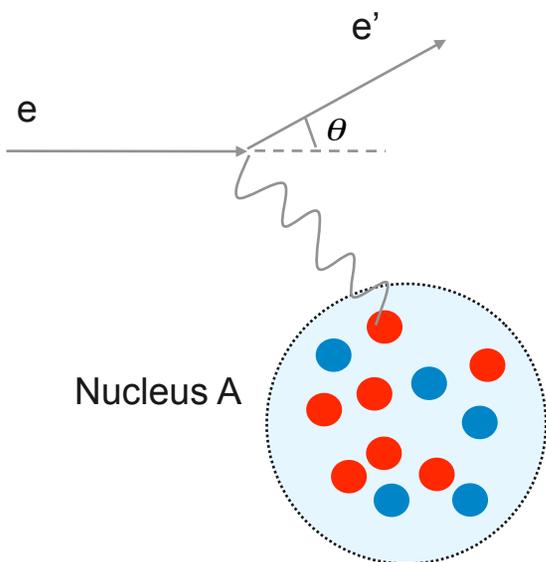
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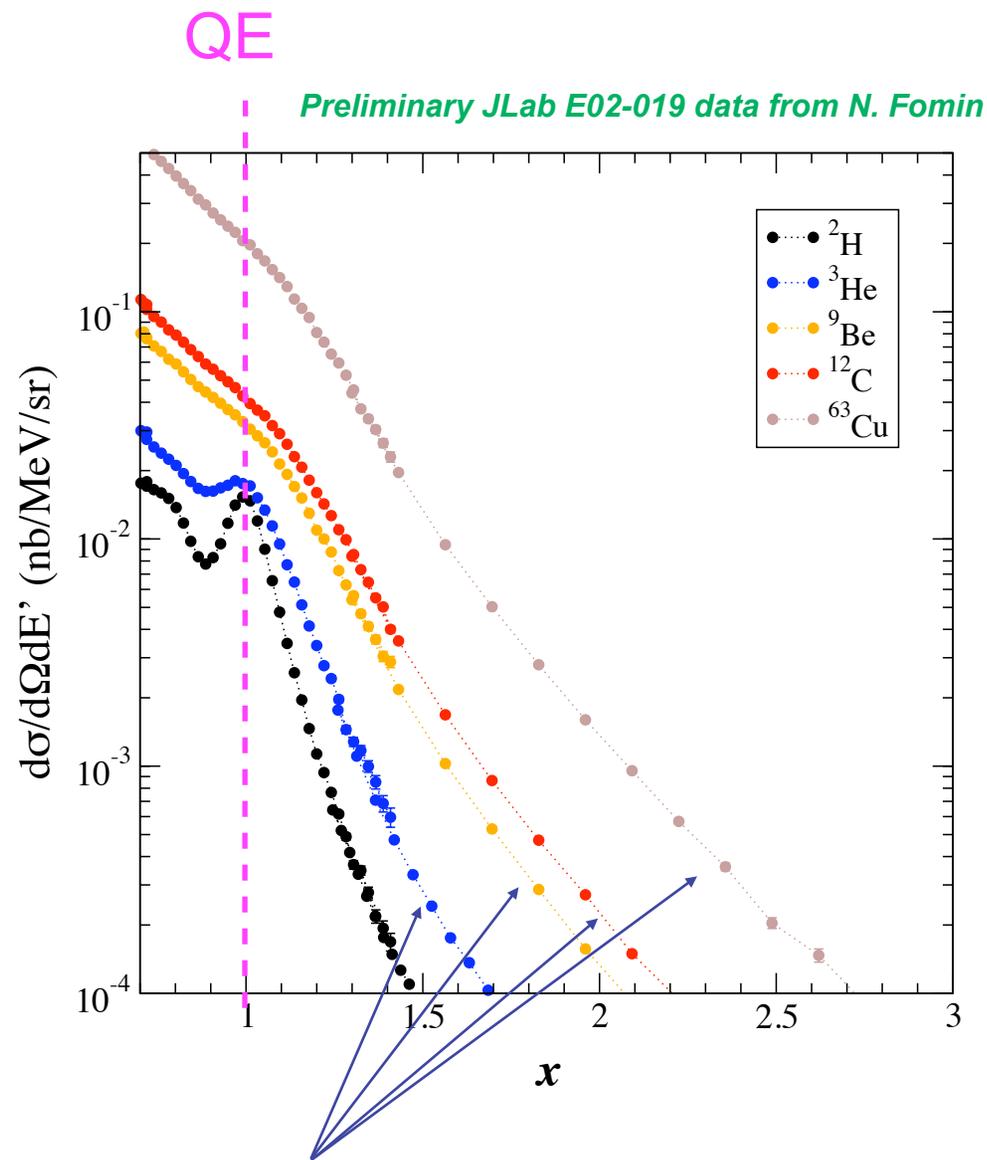


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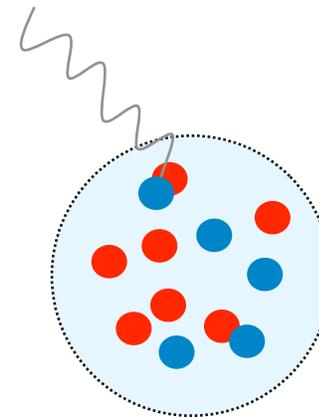
little strength from QE above $x \approx 1.3$



High momentum tails should yield constant ratio if seeing SRC

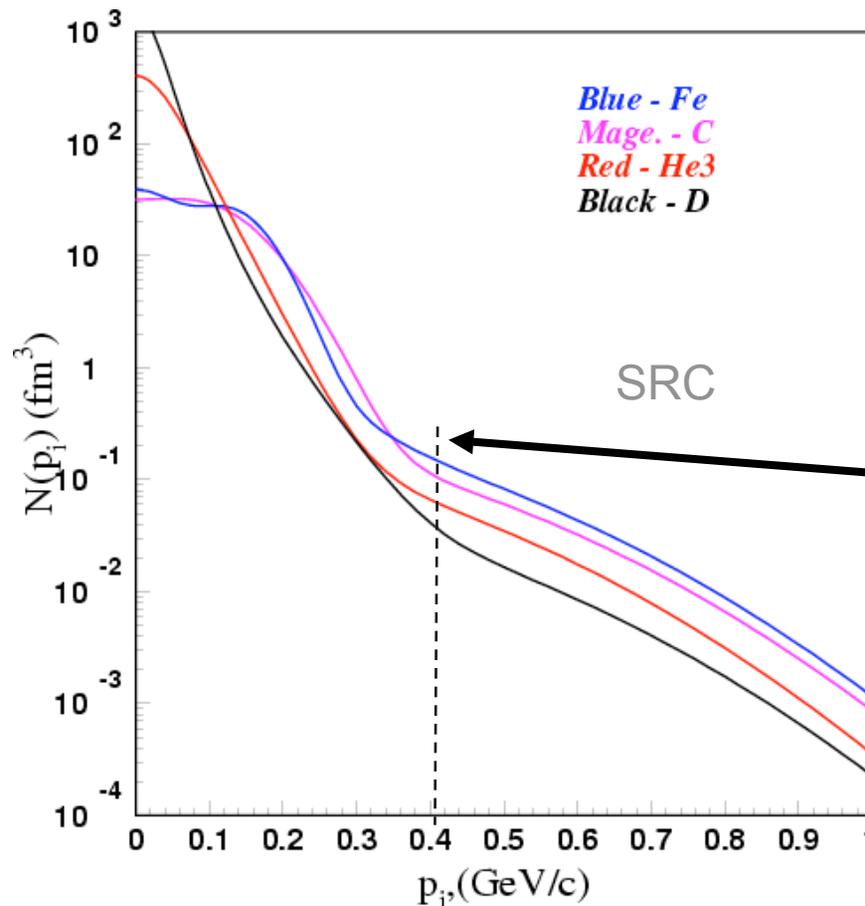
Short range correlations (SRC)

- High-momentum tail dominated by 2N-SRCs
- NN interaction generates high momenta ($k > k_f$)
- Similar shape for $k > k_f$



2N-SRC

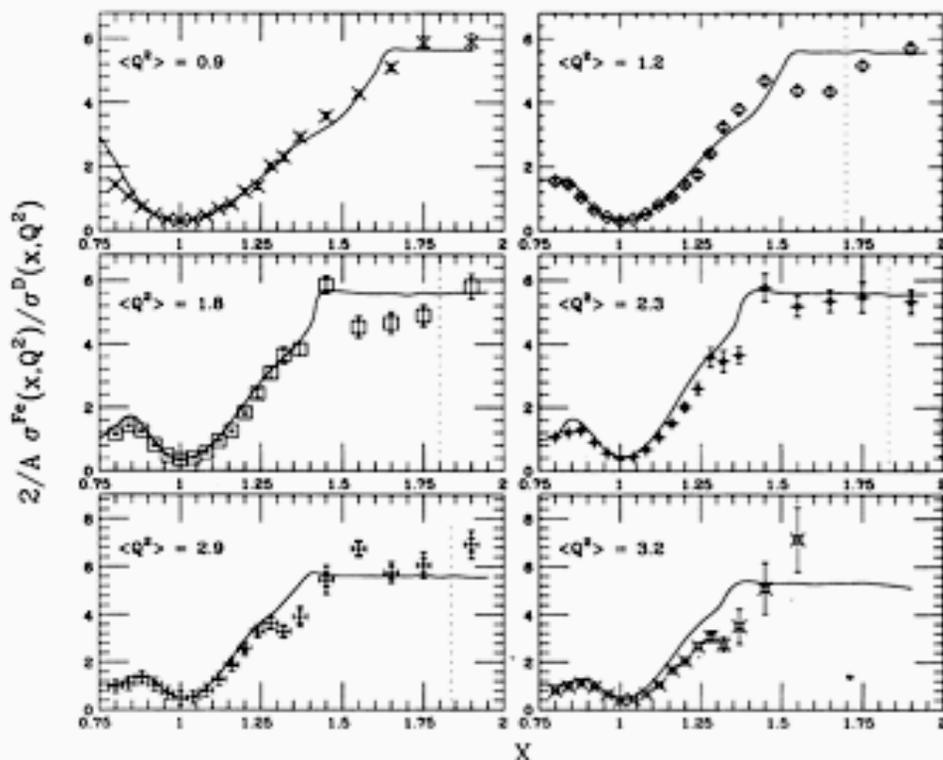
$$1 < x < 2$$



$A(e', e)$ at $x > 1$:
the simplest way to
measure relative
probability of SRC

Cioffi Degli Atti et Simula, PRC53, 1689 (1996)

SRC evidence at SLAC



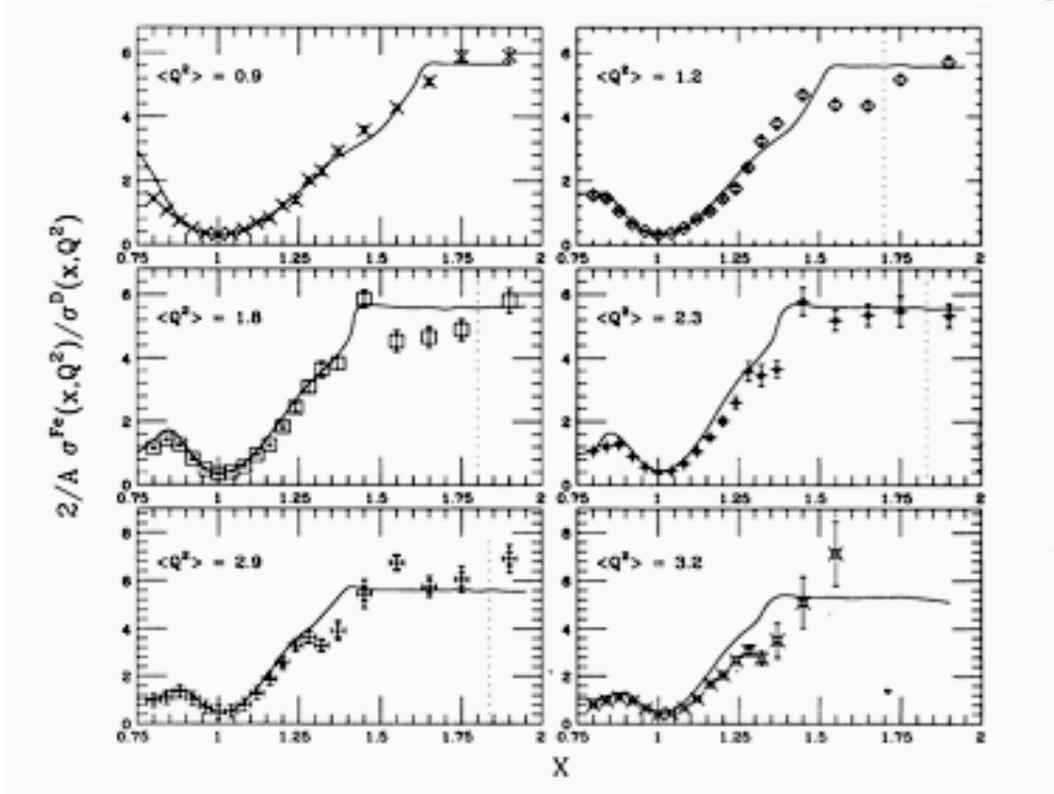
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Ratio in plateau, proportional to the number of 2N SRCs

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_2(^3\text{He}) &= 1.7 \pm 0.3 \\
 a_2(^4\text{He}) &= 3.3 \pm 0.5 \\
 a_2(^{12}\text{C}) &= 5.0 \pm 0.5 \\
 a_2(^{27}\text{Al}) &= 5.3 \pm 0.6 \\
 a_2(^{56}\text{Fe}) &= 5.2 \pm 0.9 \\
 a_2(^{197}\text{Au}) &= 4.8 \pm 0.7
 \end{aligned}$$

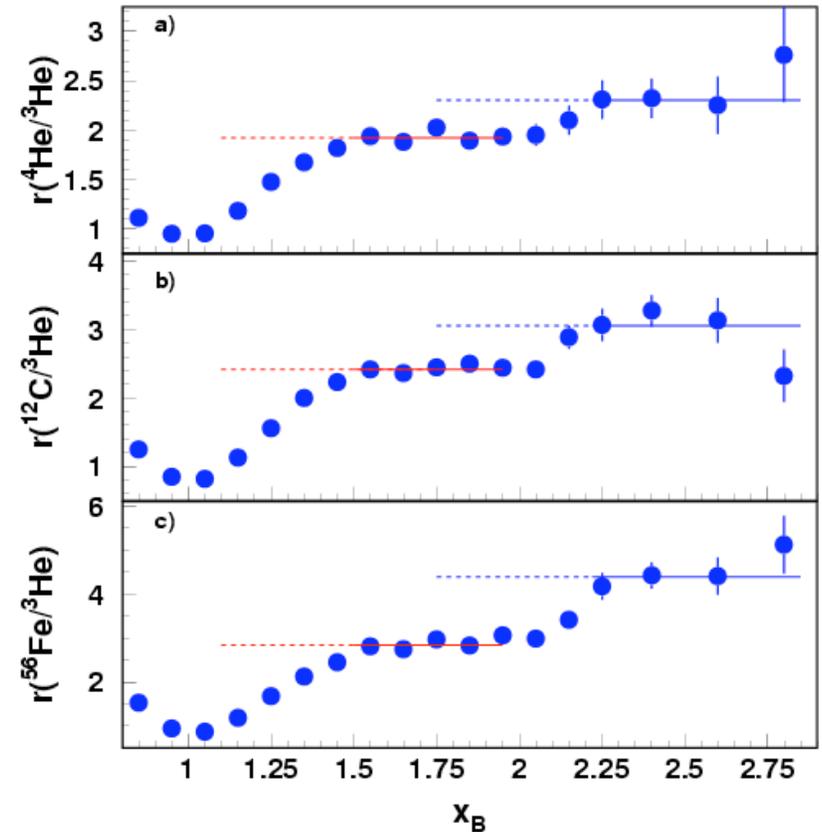
SRC evidence at SLAC, JLab Hall B



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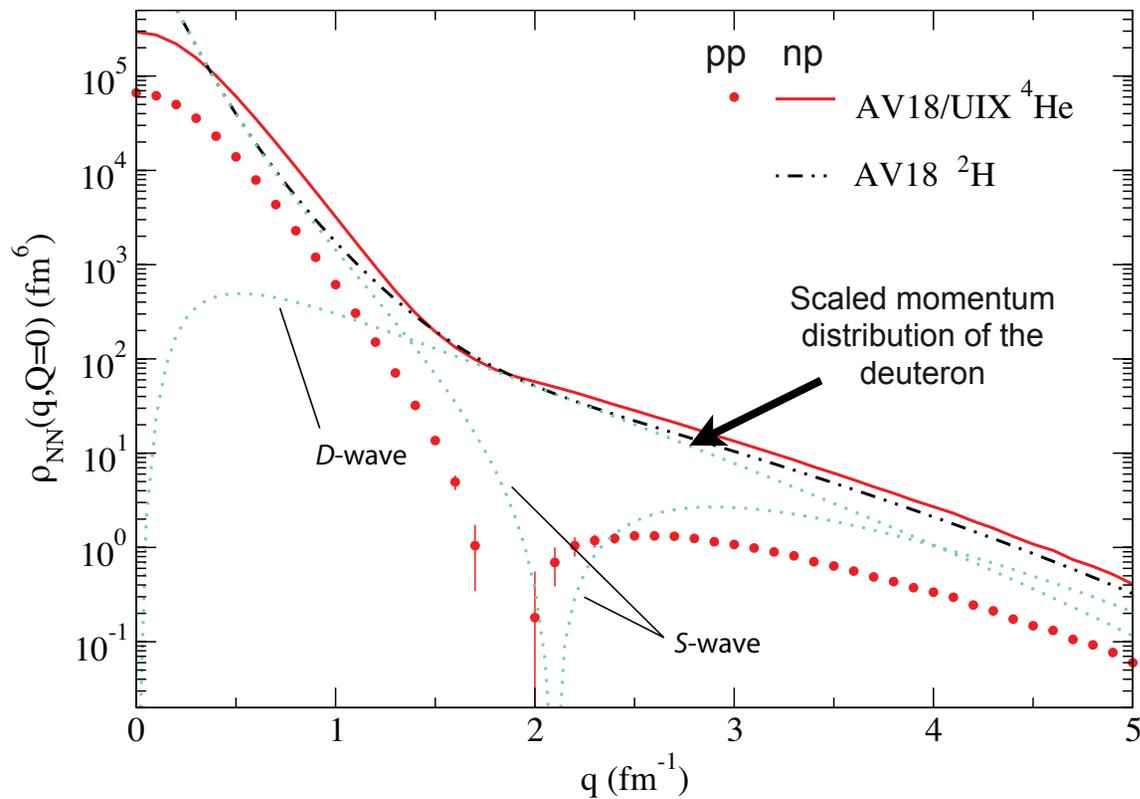
Experimental observations:

- Evidence of 2N-SRC at $x > 1.5$
- Indication of 3N-SRC plateau
- Isospin dependence ?

Dominance of the tensor force

Simple SRC model assumes
isospin independence

R. Schiavilla, R. Wiringa, S. Pieper and J. Carlson,
PRL98, 132501 (2007)

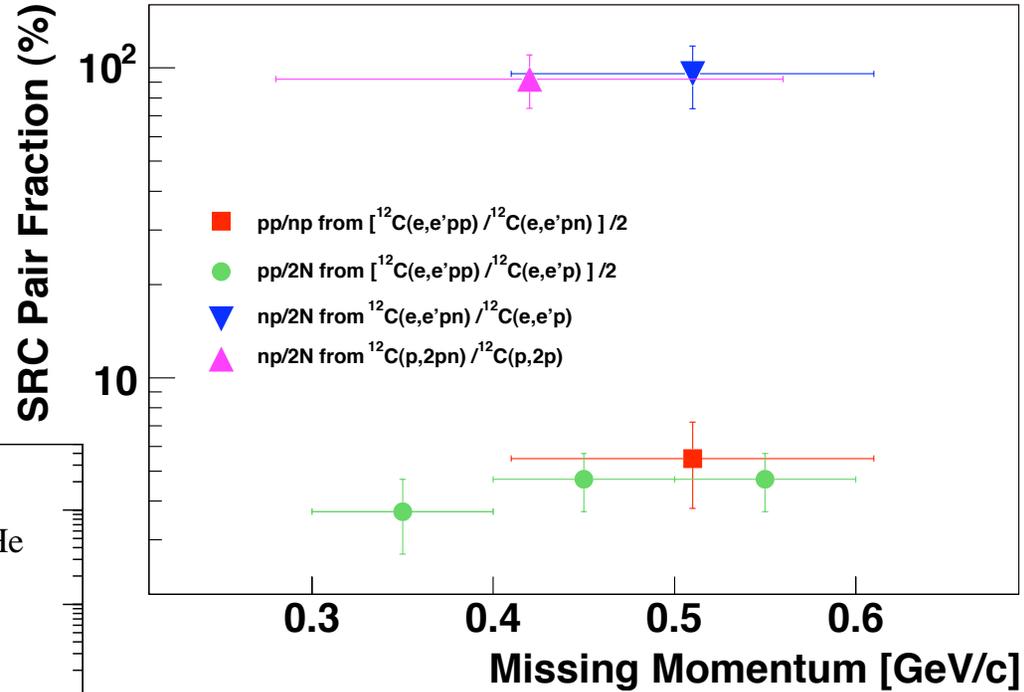
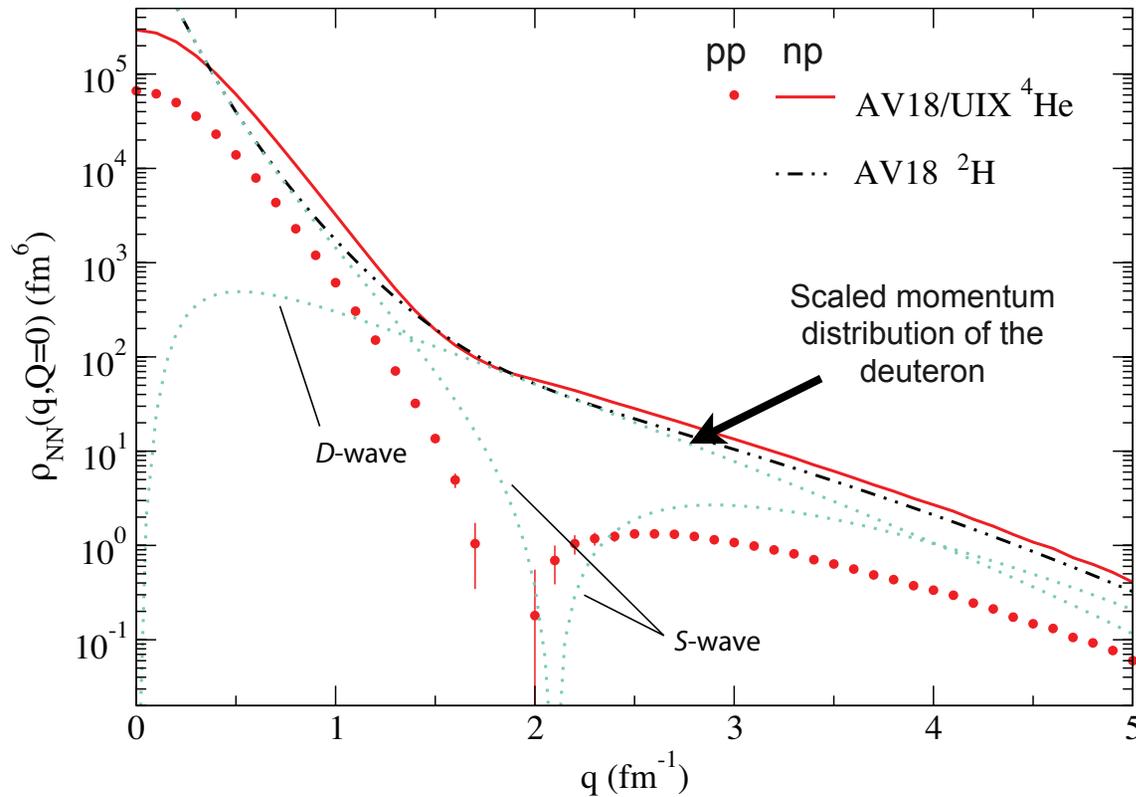


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R. Subedi et al, Science 320, 1476(2008)

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From A(p,ppn) and ¹²C(e,e'pN):
90% are pn 2-body tensor force
leads to dominance of T=0 pairs

SRC isospin study from inclusive scattering

- ⊙ Inclusive ratio is ‘isospin-blind’ (sum of n and p)
- ⊙ **Target** can be isospin sensitive
 - ✓ Compare ^{40}Ca to ^{48}Ca – approved JLab experiment
 - ✓ Compare ^3H to ^3He – proposed JLab experiment, 12 GeV upgrade
- ⊙ n-p pair dominance → equal number of high momentum p, n
- ⊙ Isospin-independent correlations → Z protons, N neutrons at high p

Isospin study of SRC

Simple mean field estimates for 2N-SRC

Isospin independent:

$$\frac{\sigma_{48}/48}{\sigma_{40}/40} = \frac{(20\sigma_p + 28\sigma_n)/48}{(20\sigma_p + 20\sigma_n)/40} \xrightarrow{\sigma_p \approx 3\sigma_n} 0.92$$

n-p (T=0) dominance:

$$\frac{\sigma_{48}/48}{\sigma_{40}/40} = \frac{(20 * 28)/48}{(20 * 20)/40} = 1.17$$

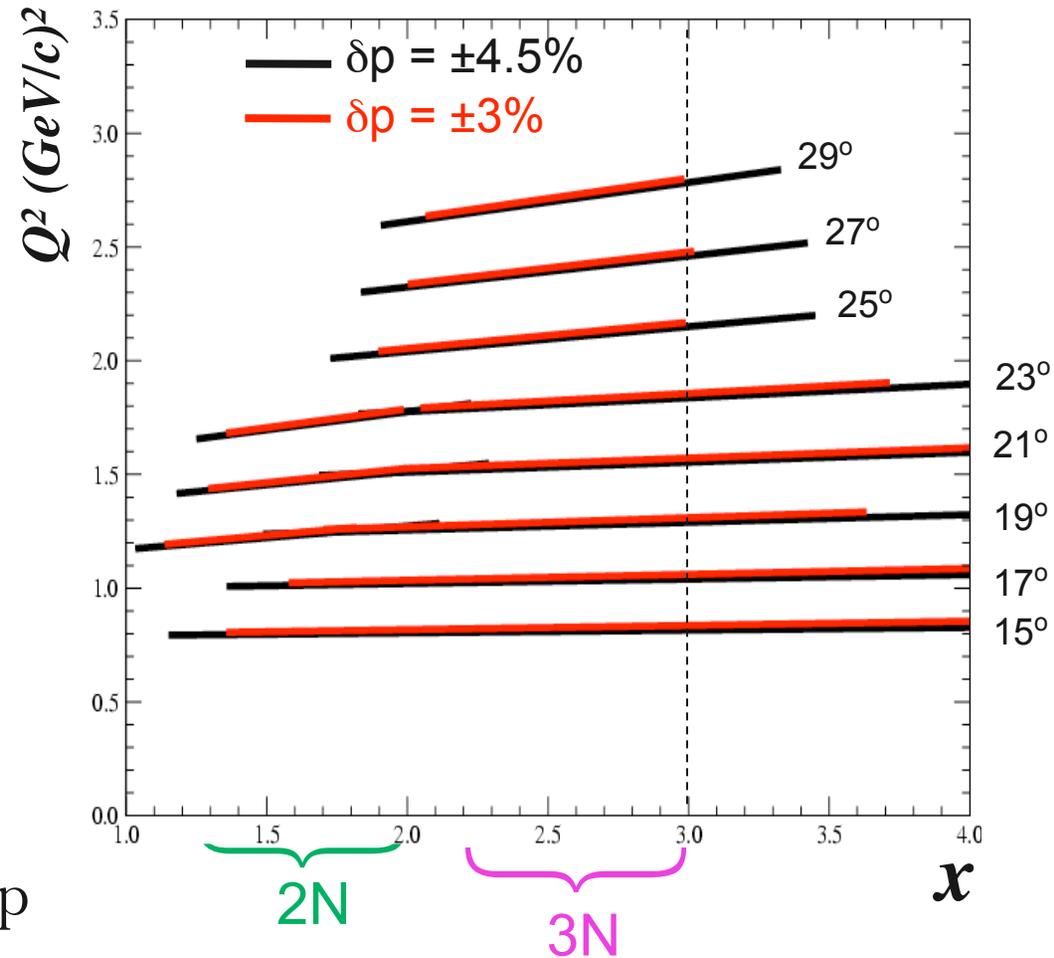
25% difference isospin indep. vs. pn-only (compare to 40% for ${}^3\text{He}/{}^3\text{H}$)

For no extra T=0 pairs with f7/2 neutron:

$$\frac{\sigma_{48}/48}{\sigma_{40}/40} = \frac{\sigma_{40}/48}{\sigma_{40}/40} = 0.83$$

Experiment E08-014

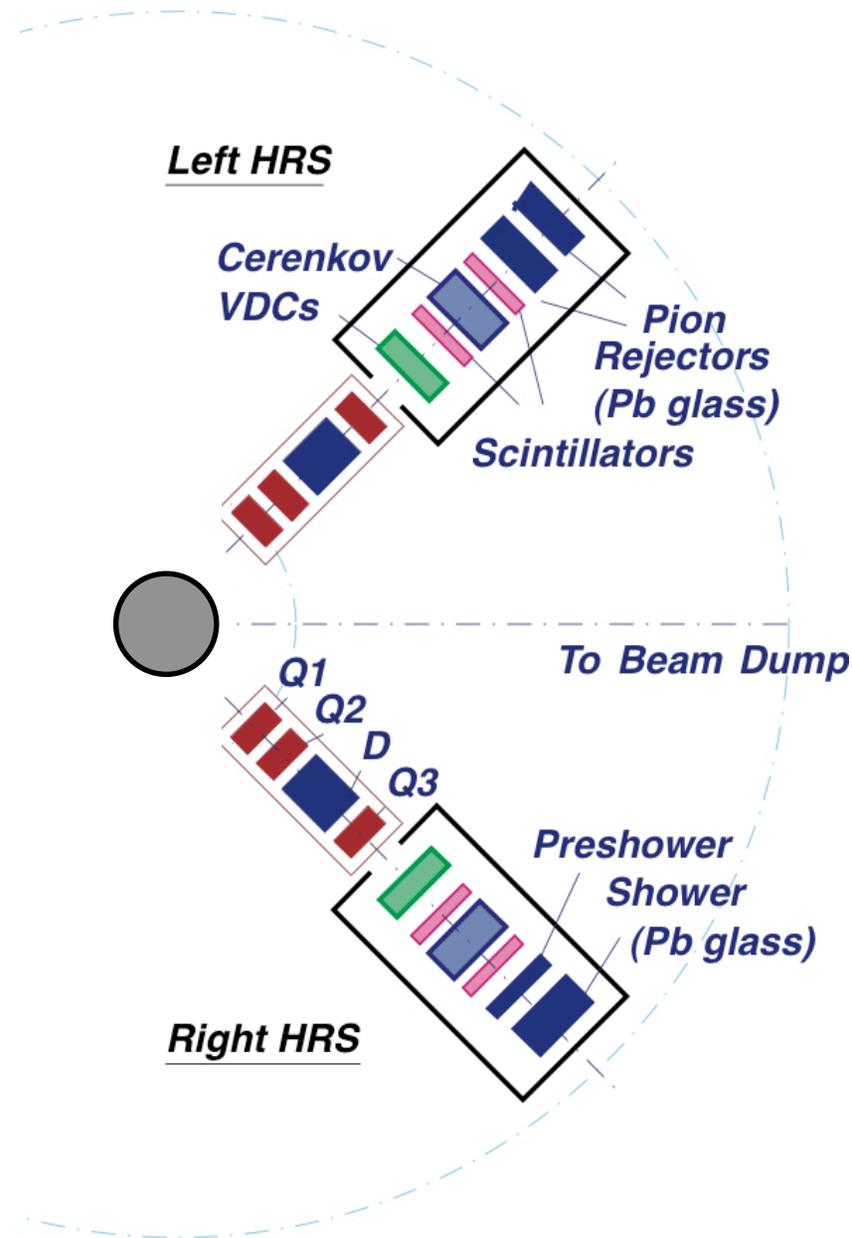
- ❖ Study onset of scaling, ratios as a function of α_{2n} for $1 < x < 2$
- ❖ Verify and define scaling regime for 3N-SRC:
 - 3N-SRC over a range of density: ^{40}Ca , ^{12}C , ^4He ratios
 - Test α_{3n} for $x > 2$
- ❖ Absolute cross sections: test FSI, map out IMF distribution $Q_A(\alpha)$
 - needed for $q_A(x)$ convolution (EMC, hard processes in A-A collisions, ...)
- ❖ Isospin effects on SRCs: ^{48}Ca vs. ^{40}Ca



12 days of beam time in Hall A in standard configuration

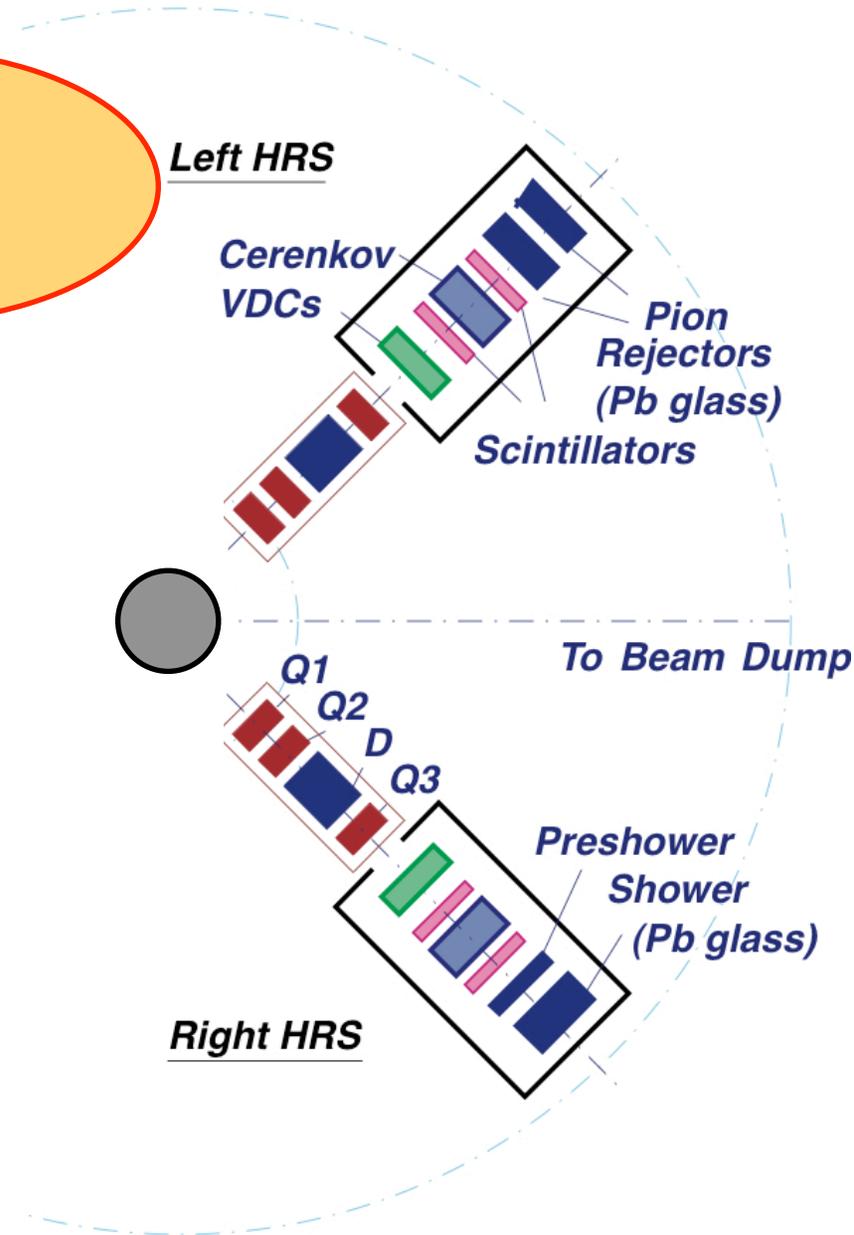
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*very costly
(~150K-250K per gram)
--> need 1g
plan is to borrow it
but need to handle very carefully
--> very efficient glove-box
will be purchased*

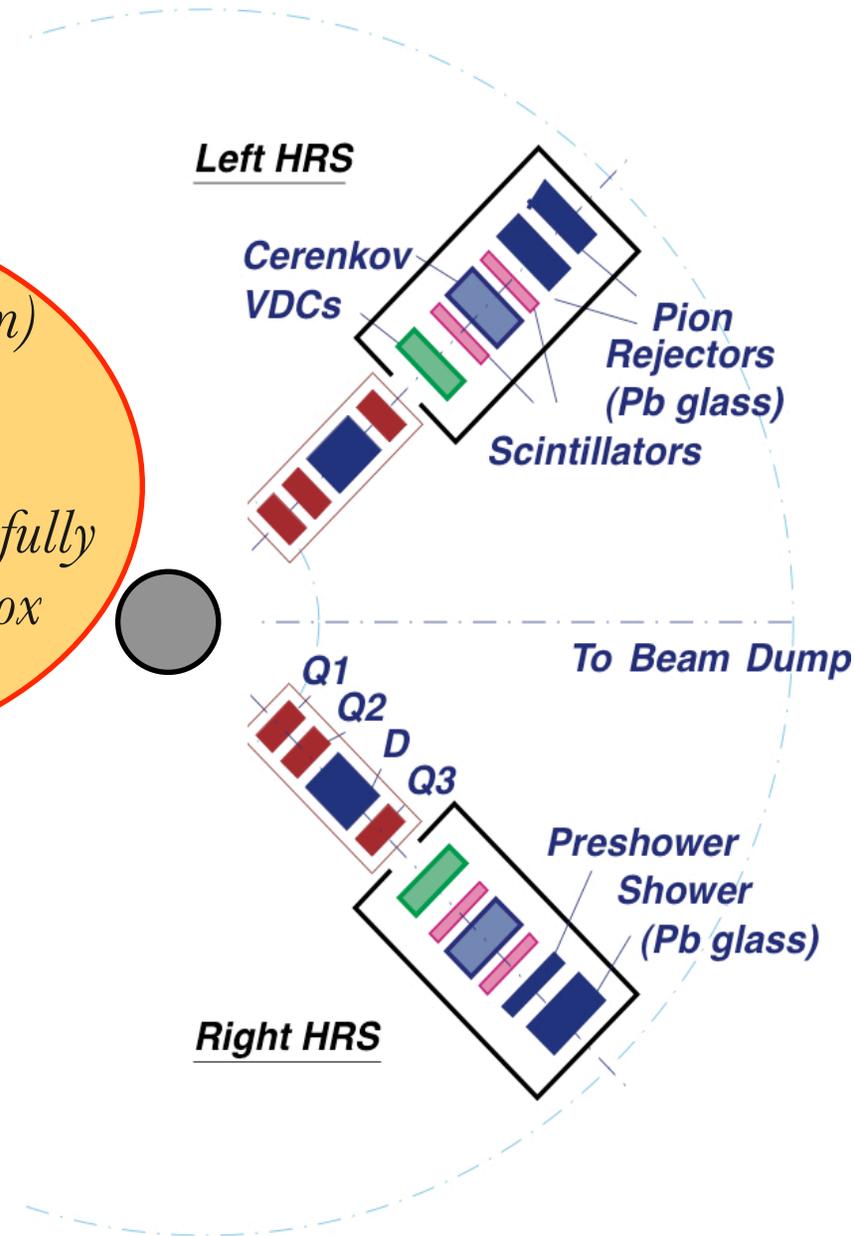
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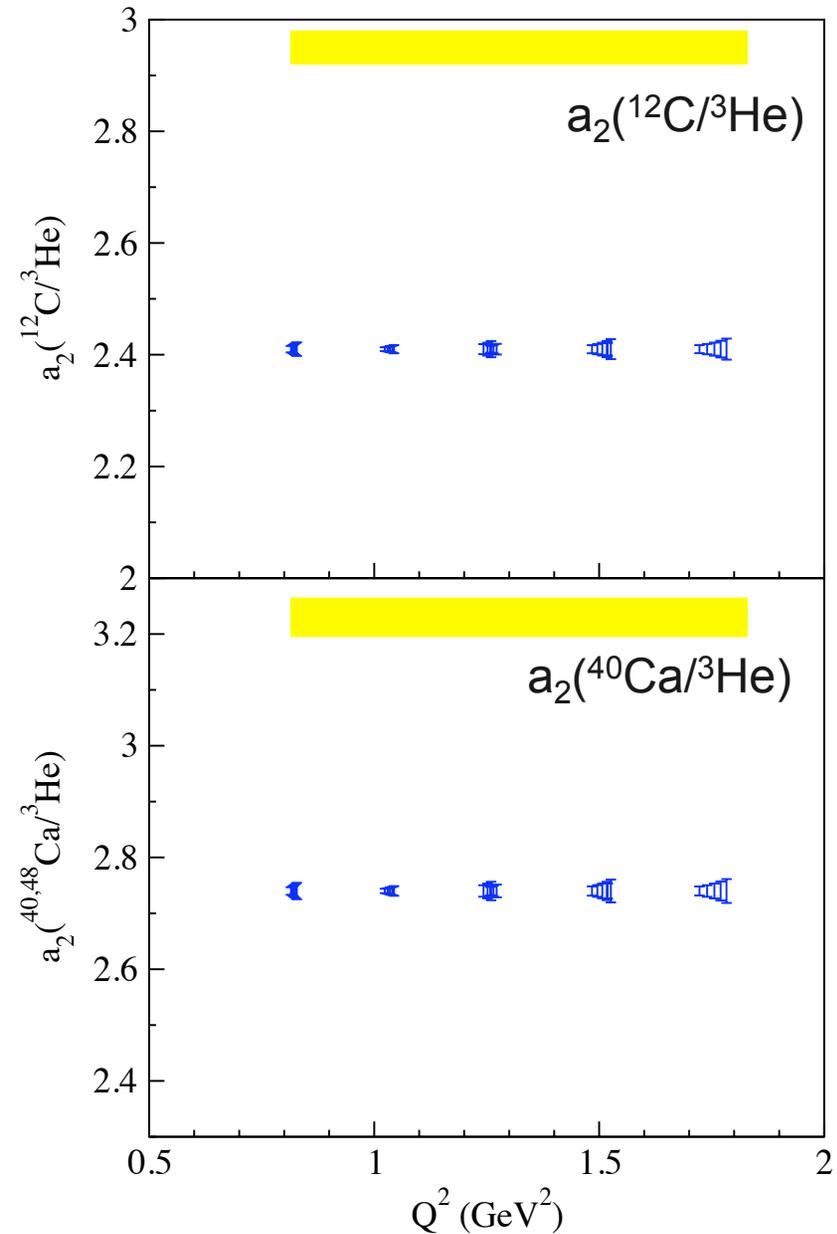
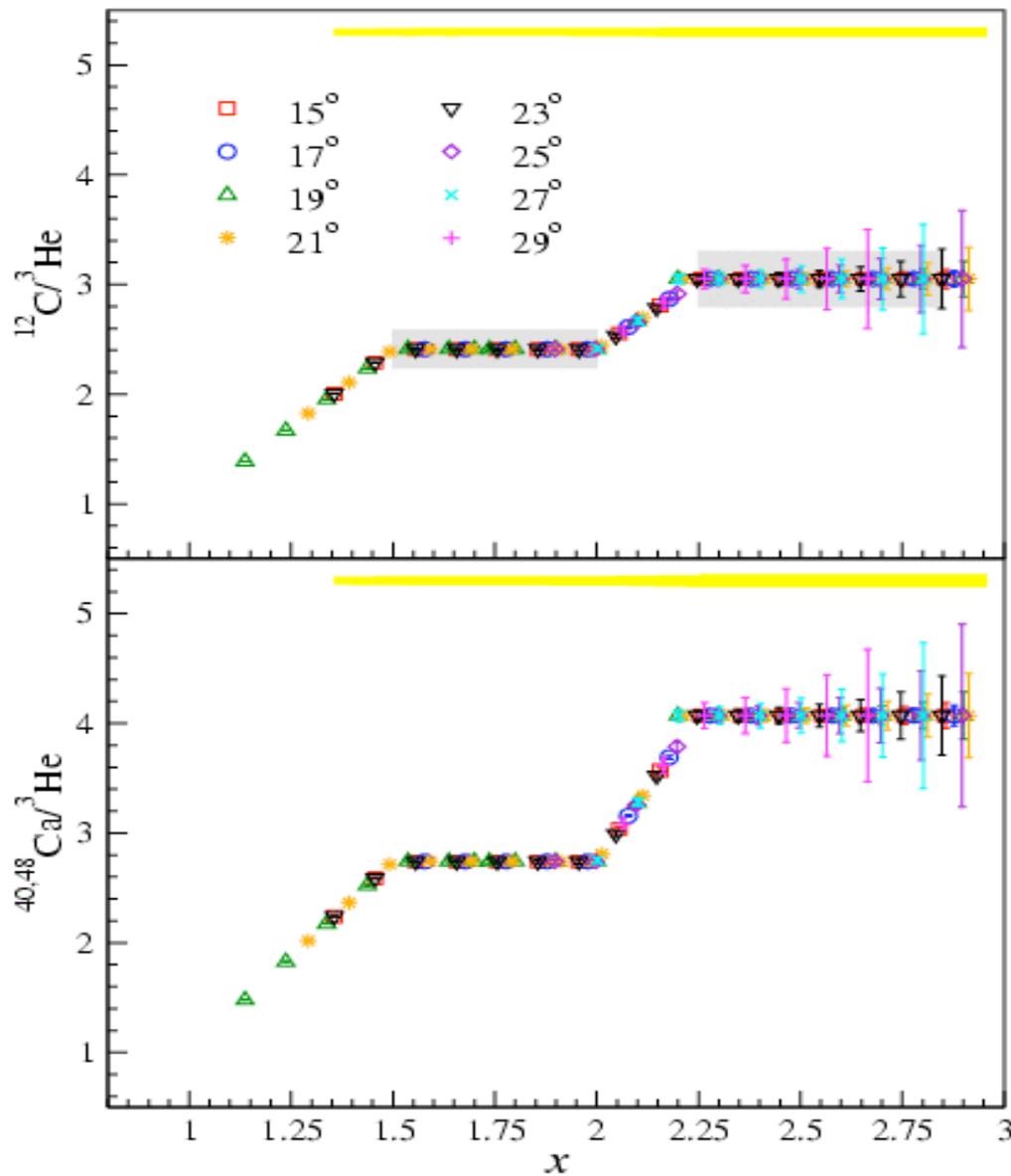
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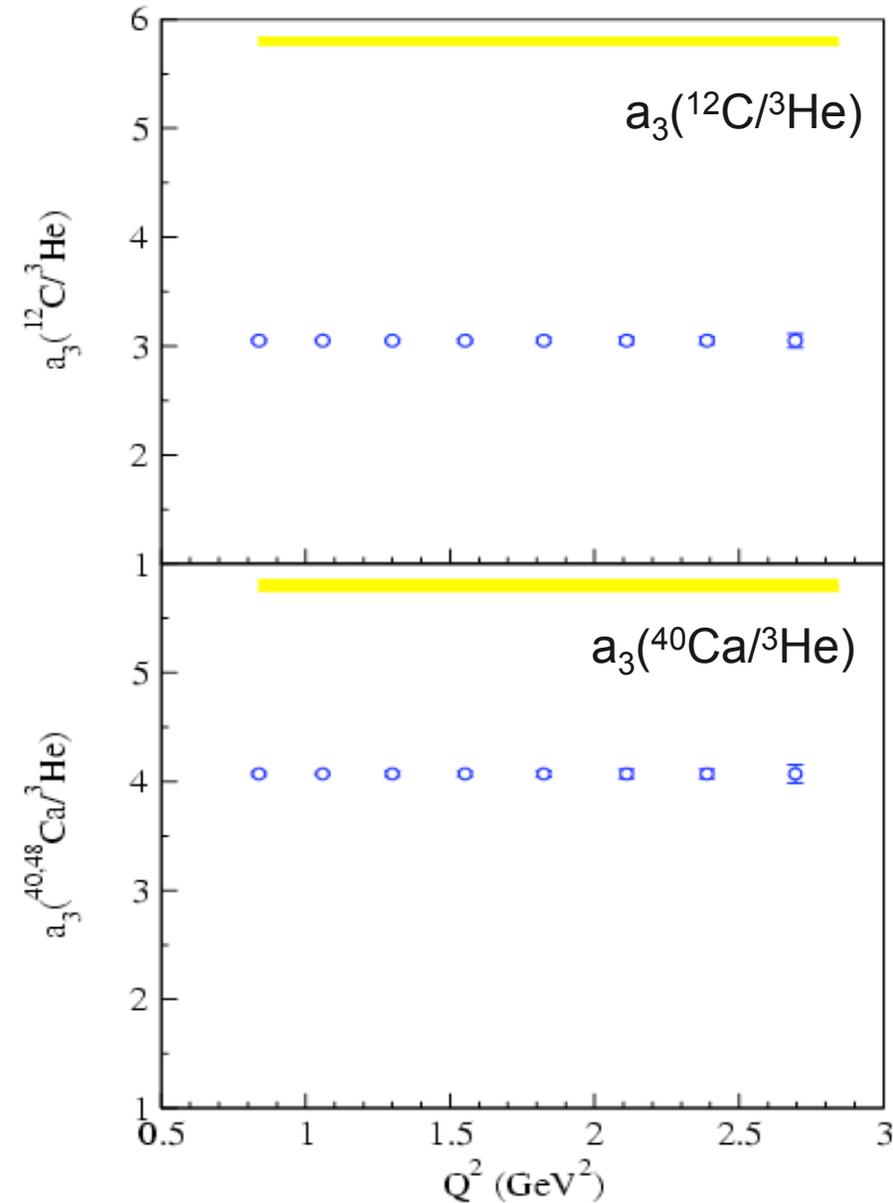
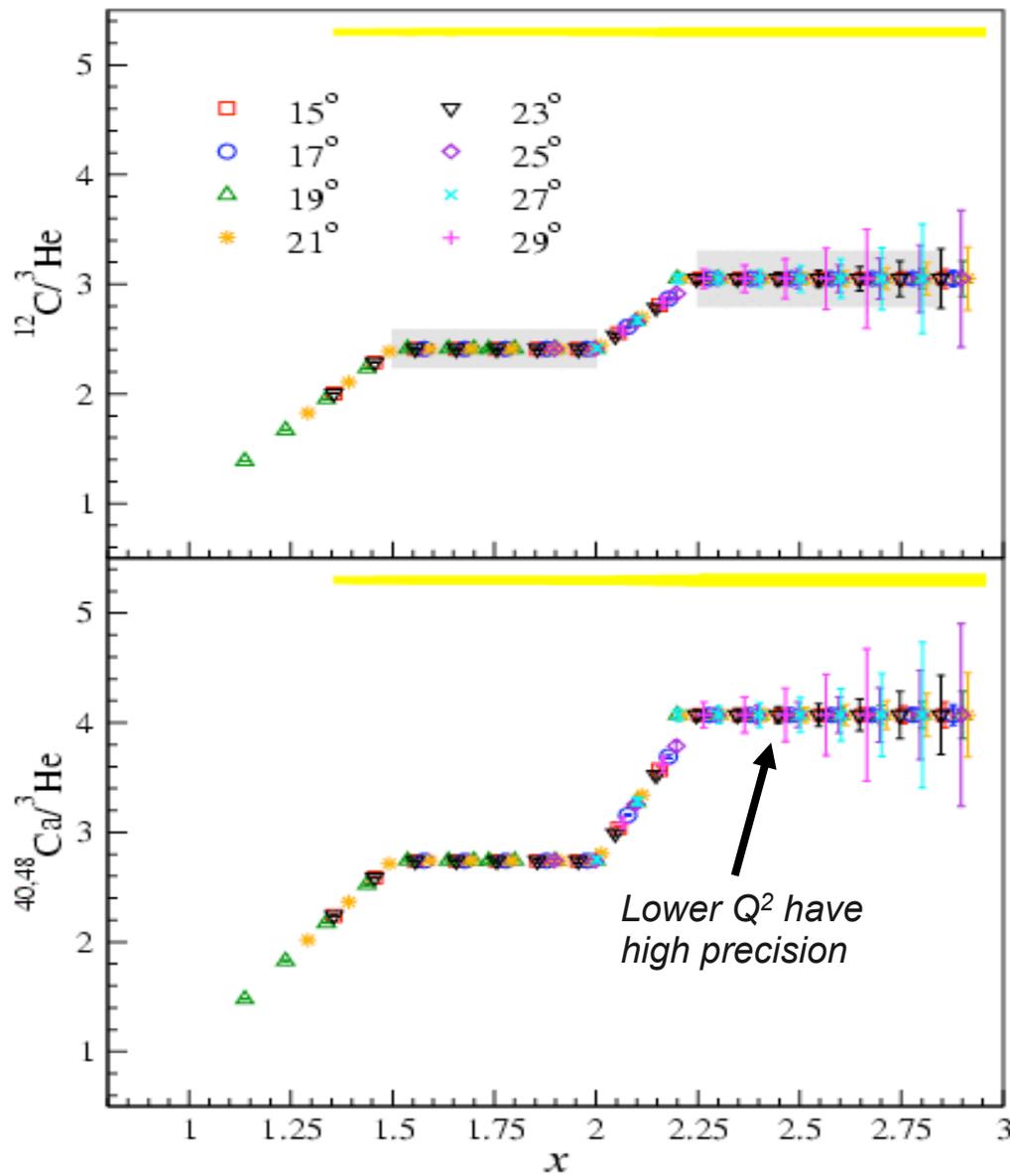
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$A/{}^3\text{He}$ ratios: map out $2N$ scaling region

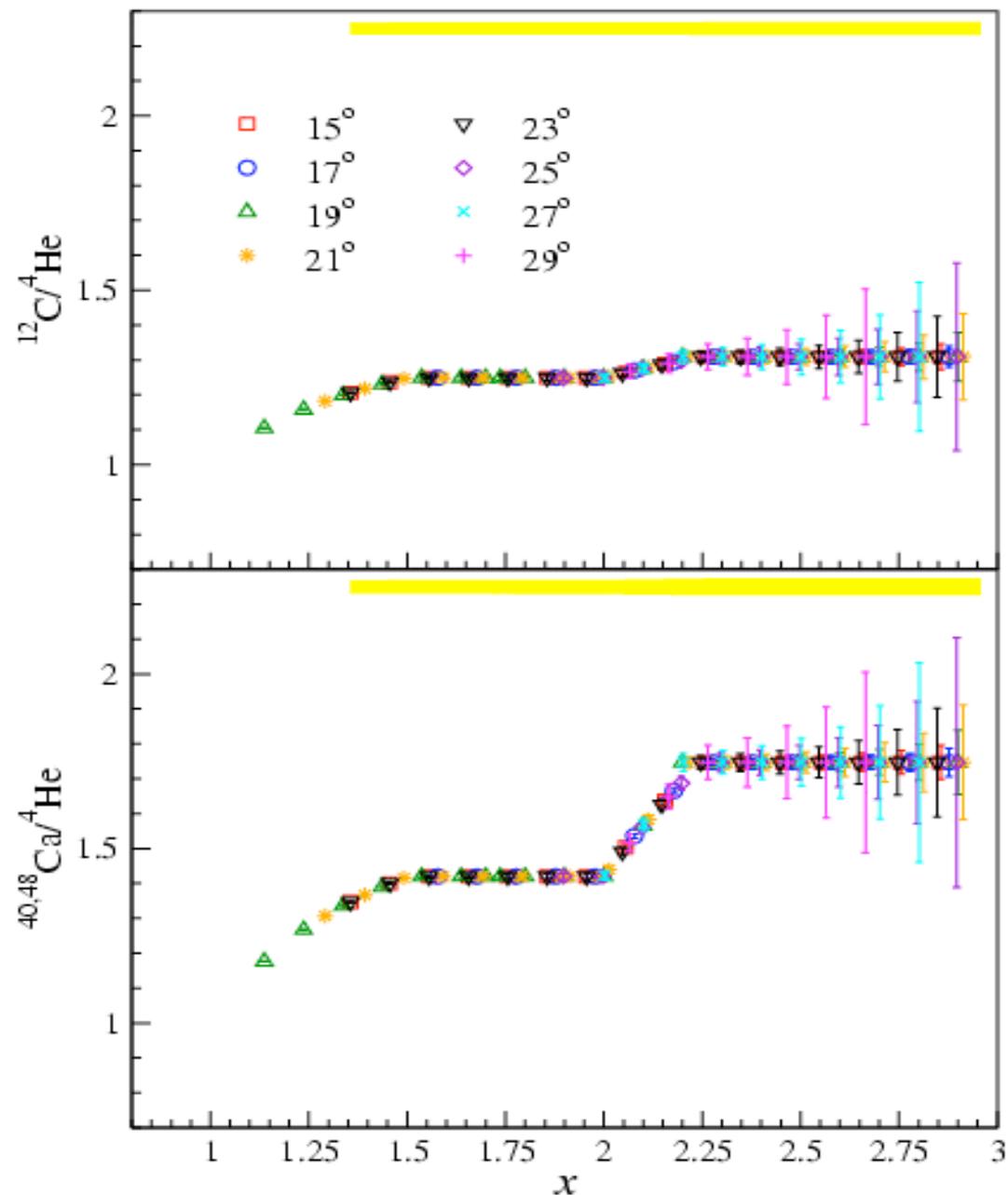


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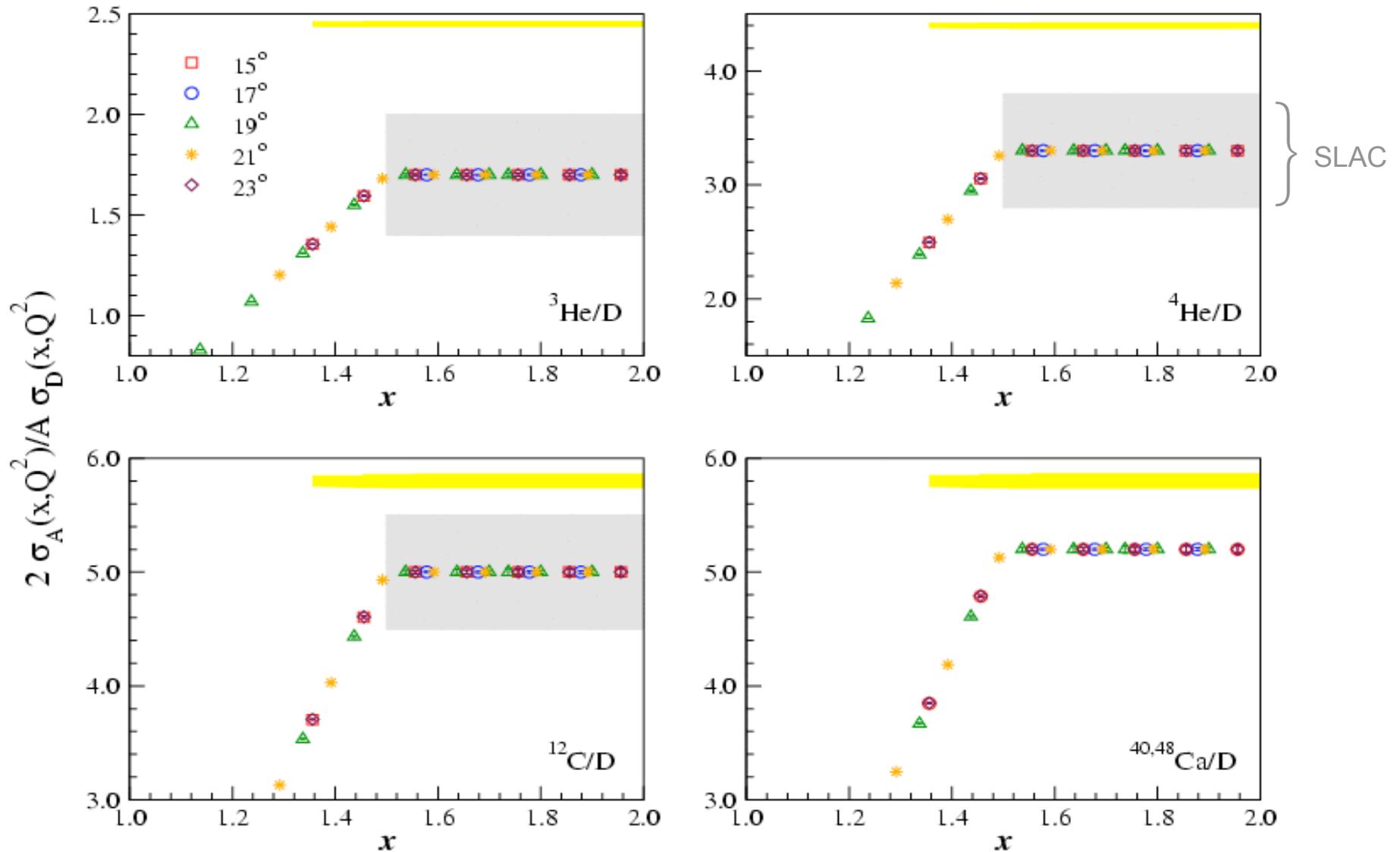


$A/{}^4\text{He}$ ratios: map out $3N$ scaling region

Suppression of the c.m. motion of $3N$ -SRC



A/D ratios: map out scaling onset vs. x , Q^2

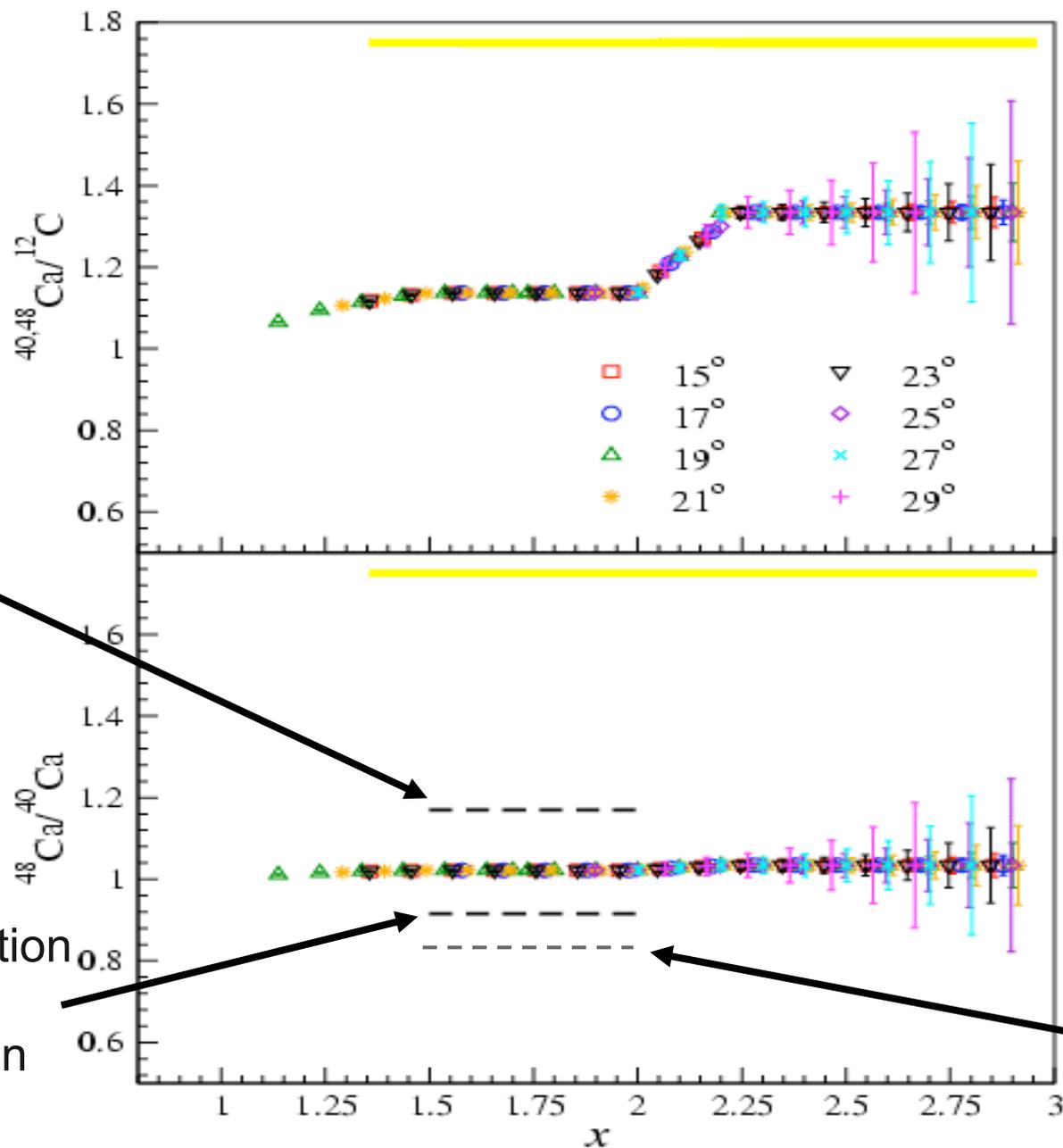


→ Improved test of scaling and a_2 extraction

1.2-2.8% scale uncertainty not shown

→ Add heavy isoscalar study

Isospin study from $^{48}\text{Ca}/^{40}\text{Ca}$ ratio



Mean field prediction for pn-dominance in 2N-SRC

Mean field prediction for isospin independence in 2N-SRC

No extra n-p pair

Isospin study from ${}^3\text{He}/{}^3\text{H}$ ratio

${}^3\text{He}/{}^3\text{H}$ is simple/straightforward case:

Simple mean field estimates for 2N-SRC

Isospin independent:

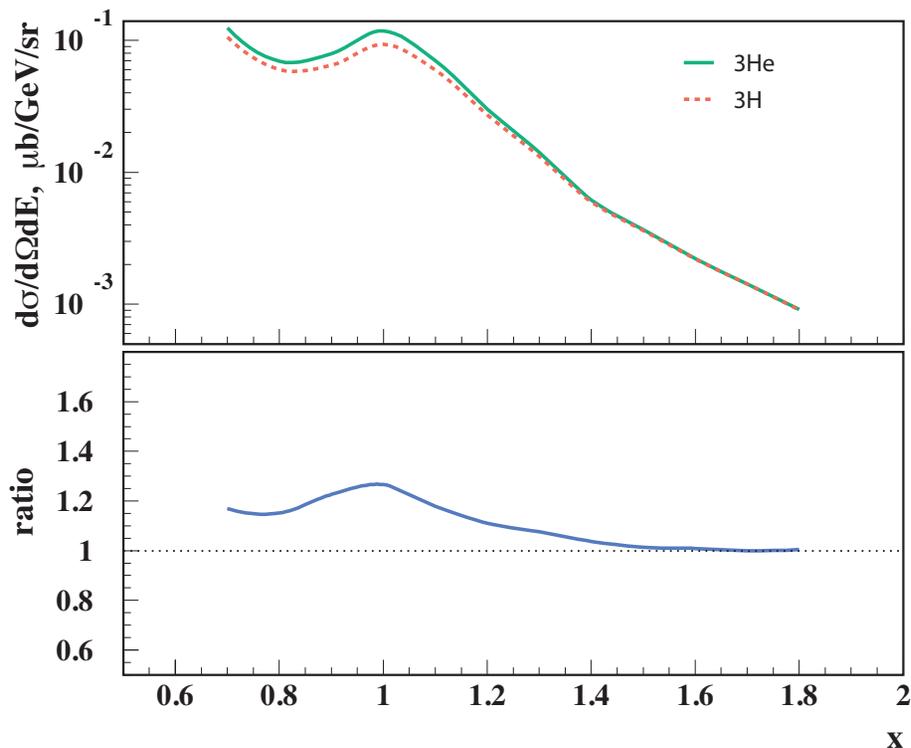
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n-p (T=0) dominance:

$$\frac{\sigma_{{}^3\text{H}}/3}{\sigma_{{}^3\text{He}}/3} = \frac{(2pn + 1nn)/3}{(2pn + 1pp)/3} = 1.0$$

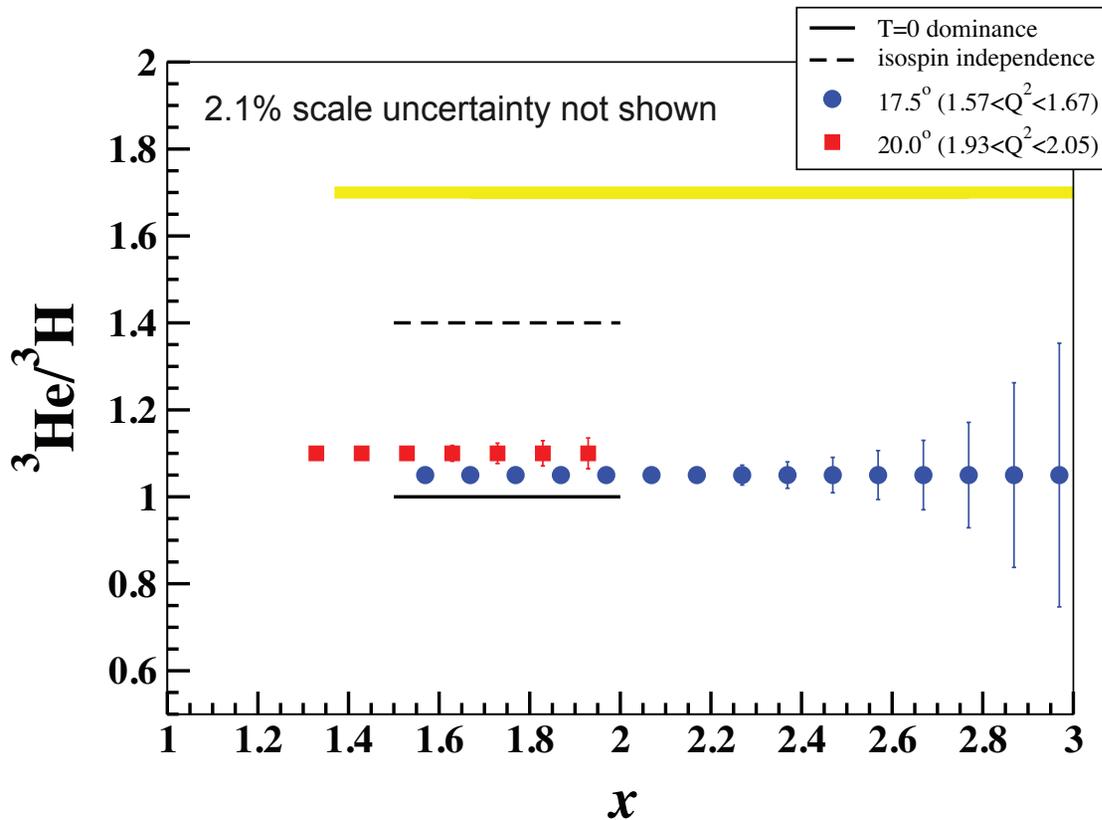
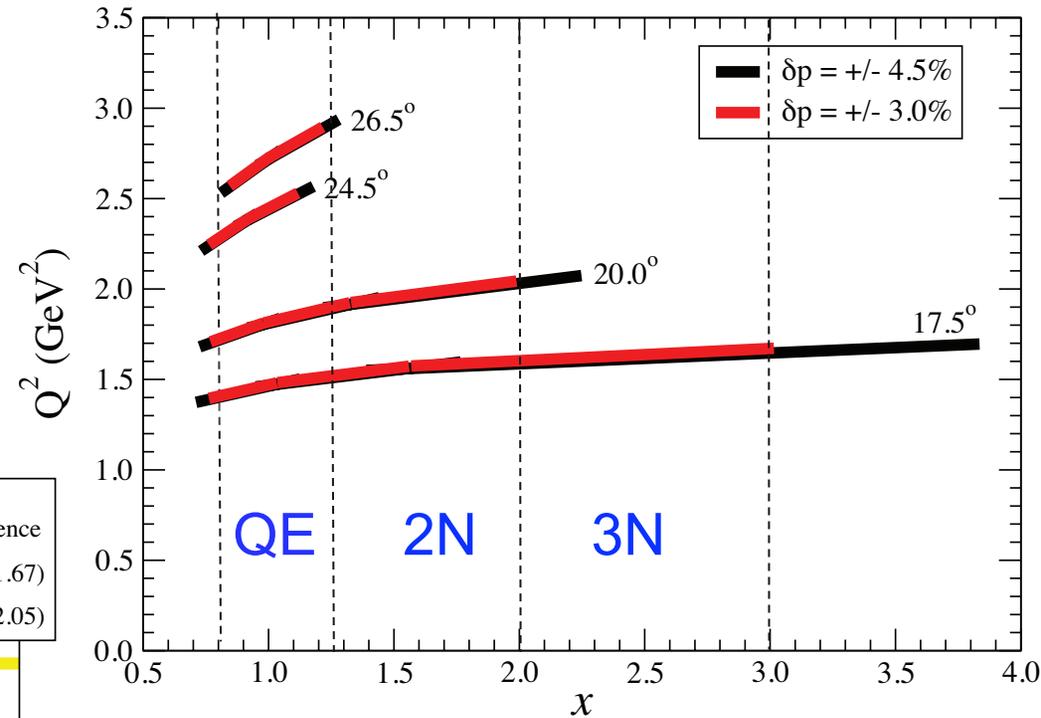
Inclusive cross section calculation from M. Sargsian using AV18/UIX

M. Sargsian, private com.



PR09-010

- ❖ Beam energy: 4.4 GeV (unpolarized)
- ❖ Max. beam current: 30 μA with raster interlock
- ❖ 4 scattering angles



- ❖ Standard Hall A configuration
- ❖ ^3H , ^3He at room temperature, then H and ^2H cryo-targets
- ❖ Empty stainless steel cell for window subtraction
- ❖ Carbon foils for optics
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Summary

Inclusive scattering measurements from E08-014 (and PR09-010) will produce a detailed study of:

- ◉ Q^2 dependence of 2N, 3N-SRC from $A/{}^2\text{H}$, $A/{}^3\text{He}$ and $A/{}^4\text{He}$ ratios
- ◉ Study of isospin dependence of 2N-SRC
- ◉ Look at isospin dependence in 3N-SRC region

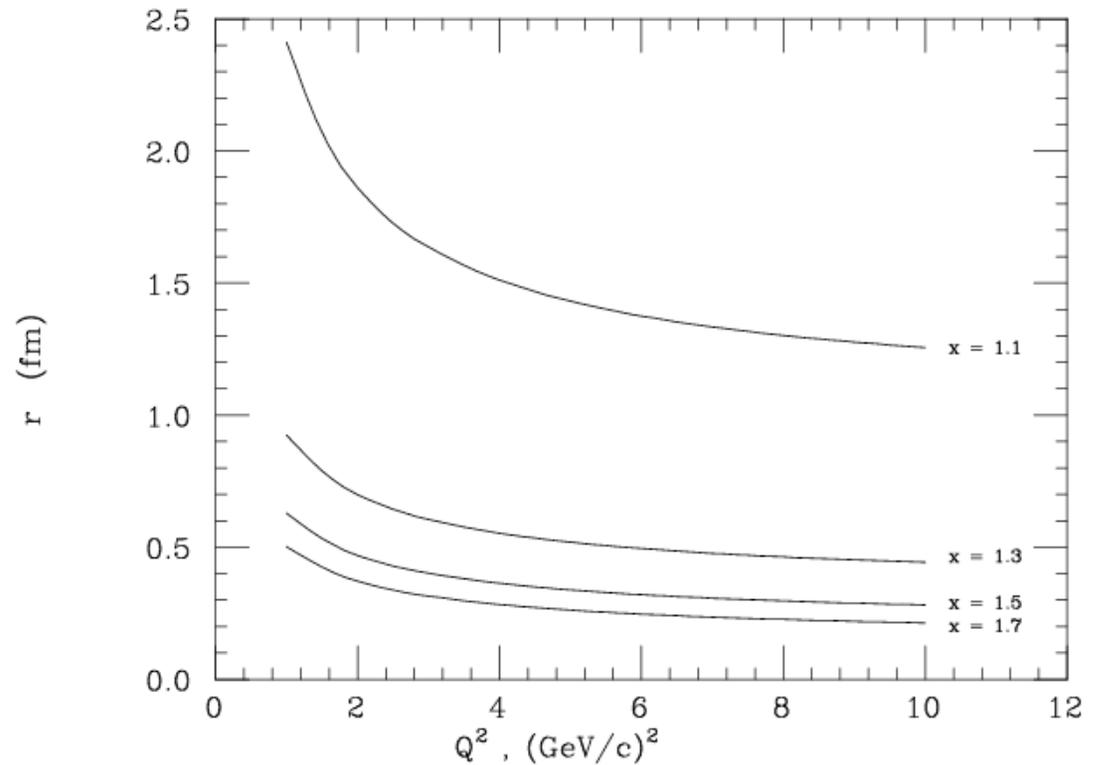
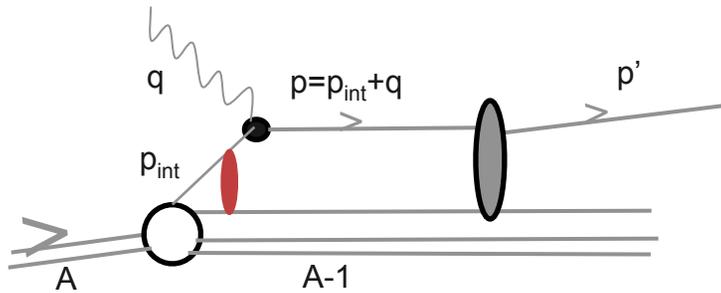
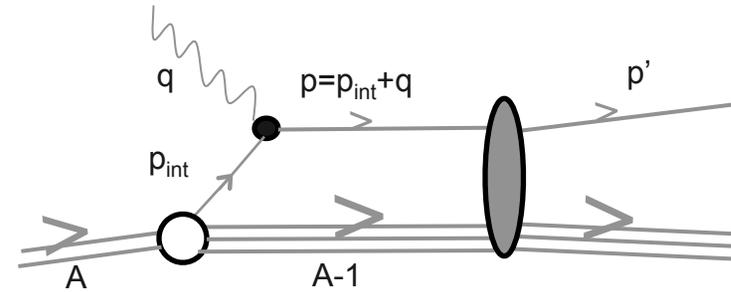
↳ Nice complement to the results of 2N knock-out experiments

E08-014 is scheduled to run in Spring 2011

Back-ups

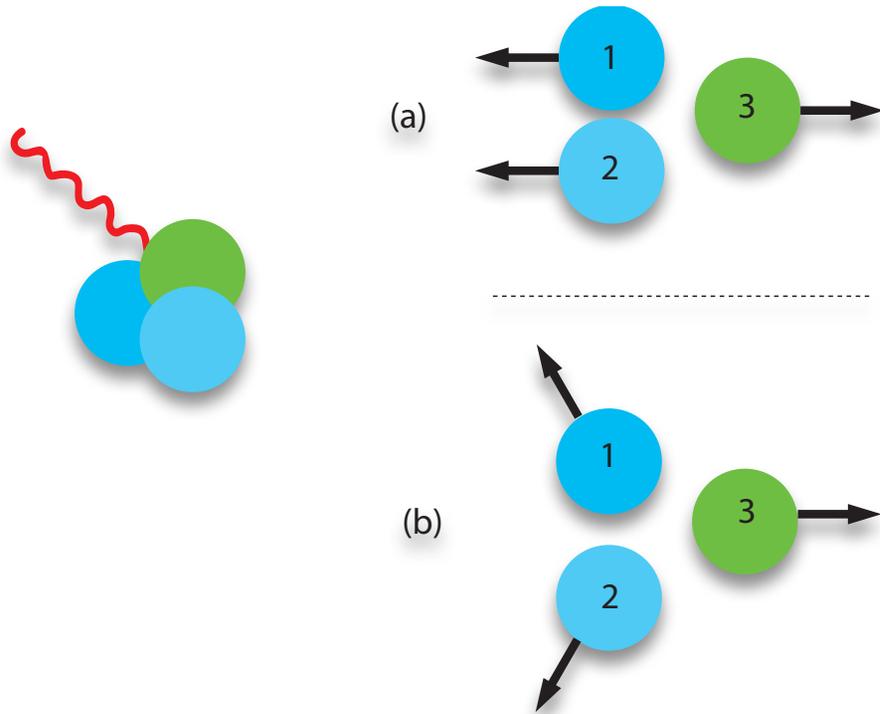
Final state interactions

- GEA very successful in $A(e, e'p)$
- GEA predicts FSI:
 1. small
 2. A-independent
 3. conserve α



Inclusive data in deuterium support FSI small

3N-SRC configurations



$$p_3 = p_1 + p_2$$

extremely large momentum

“Star-configuration”

$$p_1 = p_2 = p_3$$

Inclusive measurement should be able to differentiate between these momentum ranges

E08-014 systematics

	$\delta\sigma/\sigma$	$\delta R/R$ (normalization)	$\delta R/R$ (pt-to-pt)
Acceptance correction	2.0%*	0.5-2.0%	0.0-1.0%
Radiative correction	2.0%*	-	0.3%
Tracking efficiency	1.0%*	-	0.2%
Trigger efficiency	0.5%*	-	0.1%
PID efficiency	1.5%*	-	0.2%
Target thickness	0.5-2.0%	1.1-2.0%	-
Charge measurement	0.5%	-	0.5%
Energy measurement	0.05%	-	-
COMBINED UNCERTAINTY	4.1-4.6%	1.2-2.8%	0.7-1.2%
Uncertainty on a_2, a_3		1.5-3.0%	
CLAS		6.3-8.1%	
SLAC		10-18%	

Most kinematics are systematics dominated

World data limitations

- ❖ SLAC A/D ratios: Frankfurt, Strikman, Day, Sargsian, PRC48, 2451 (1993)
 - interpolations of ^2H data to kinematics of other targets.
 - Limited x coverage at high Q^2
- ❖ JLab E89-008:
 - No ^3He , ^4He
 - Limited x coverage at high Q^2
- ❖ JLab CLAS A/ ^3He ratios: K. Egiyan et al, PRC68, 014313 (2003) and PRL96, 082501 (2006)
 - No deuterium data: rely on SLAC $^3\text{He}/^2\text{H}$ ratios
 - Limited Q^2 range
 - Limited statistics to study x and Q^2 dependence at $x > 2$
- ❖ JLab E02-009 (preliminary): limited statistics for $x > 2.3$ (mainly limited by ^3He)

Experiment flexibility

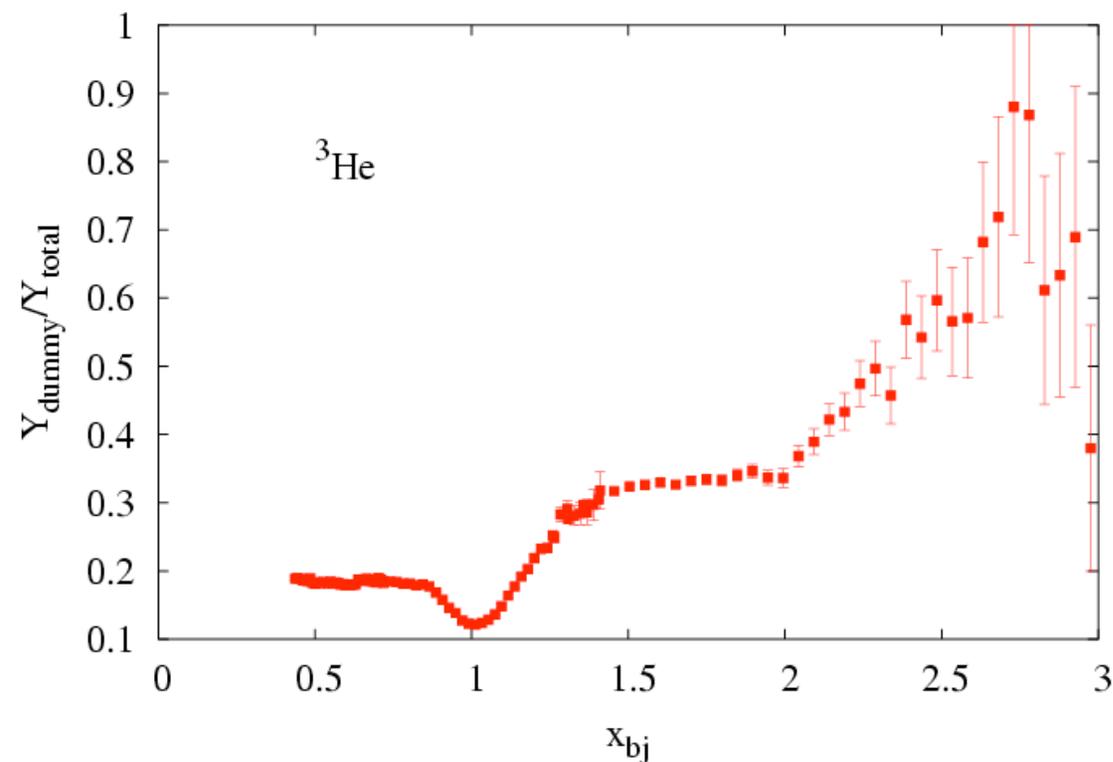
- No special detector configuration needed
- Beam energy: range between ~3.4 to 4.6 GeV
 - $E < 3.6$ GeV → larger angles, slight loss of rates → slight increase in time
 - $E > 4.0$ GeV → better rates but lose right arm running possibility → slight increase in time
- May 08 running:
 - Run at high end of beam energy range

Why at 6 GeV

- Higher energy not needed for this physics
- Higher energy would require running in Hall C
 - Lower $\Delta\Omega$
 - Larger momentum acceptance: large background
- Desirable to have timely measurement to establish scaling region
 - Determine if CLAS ratios can be interpreted as 3N-SRC
 - Optimize 12 GeV studies
 - *Systematic target dependence studies*
 - *$^3\text{He}/^3\text{H}$ ratios: feasible with proposed targets*

Cryo-window contamination

- ❖ E01-019: study of 3N-SRC region limited due to the Al cryo-target window contamination



Advantage of PR08-104:

- Will use 20cm target
- HRS resolution: cut away most of the window contribution
- Empty can running: subtract the remaining contamination

Kinematics

	⁴ He	² H	⁴ He	¹² C	⁴⁰ Ca	⁴⁸ Ca	Total (per kin)
15°	2.0	2.8	1.2	0.8	0.7	0.7	8.2
17°	2.4	1.9	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.6	10.4
19° (2N)	2.4	3.8	1.3	0.9	1.2	1.2	10.8
19° (3N)	3.0	2.4	0.9	0.9	2.0	2.0	11.2
21° (2N)	3.0	2.4	1.1	1.2	2.9	3.1	13.7
21° (3N)	6.0	-	1.8	1.8	3.9	4.1	17.6
23° (2N)	6.0	4.8	2.1	2.3	5.8	6.2	27.2
23° (3N)	12.0	-	3.5	3.7	7.9	8.2	35.3
25°	24.0	-	7.1	7.3	15.7	16.4	70.5
27°	42.0	-	12.4	12.8	27.6	28.6	123.4
29°*	21.0*	-	6.2*	6.4*	13.8*	14.3*	61.7
Total (per tgt)	72.8	10.9	23.4	23.3	46.8	48.5	225.7 (226.0)

9.4 days (data taking) + 2.6 days (calibration + overhead) = 12 days of beam time