



# **SRC Studies using Triple Coincidence A(e,e'pp) & A(e,e'np) reactions**

**A data-mining project using CLAS EG2 data**

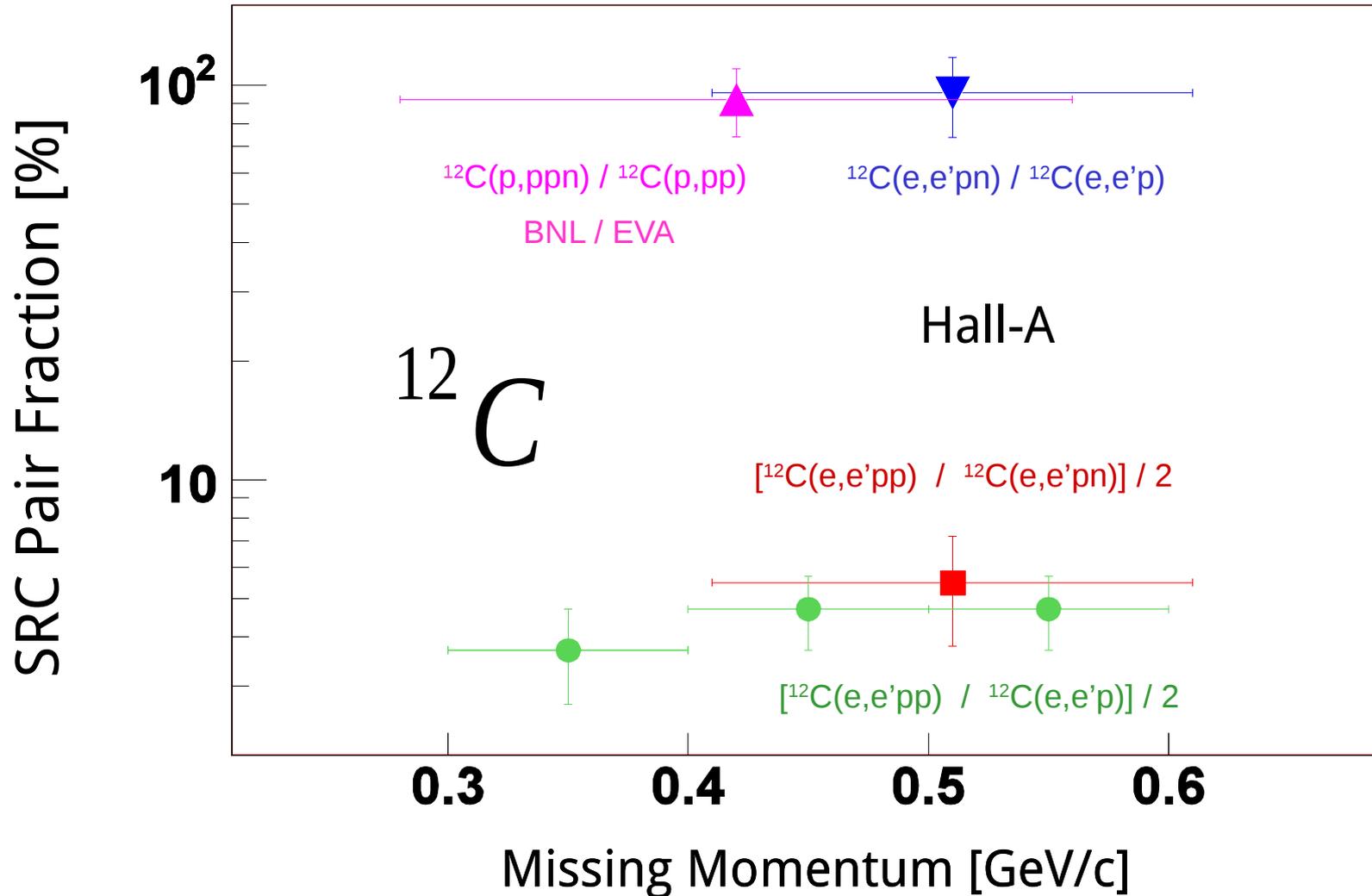
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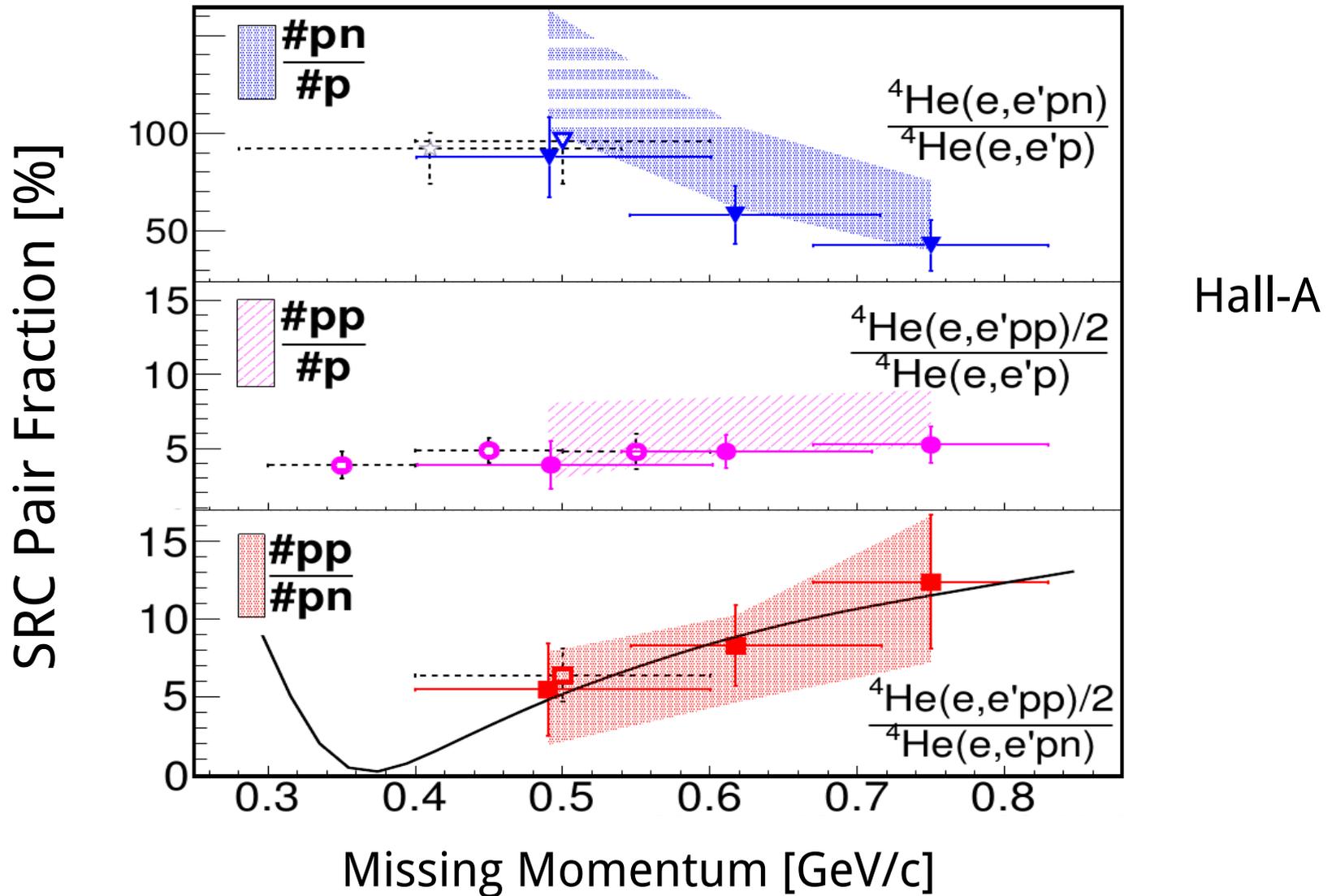
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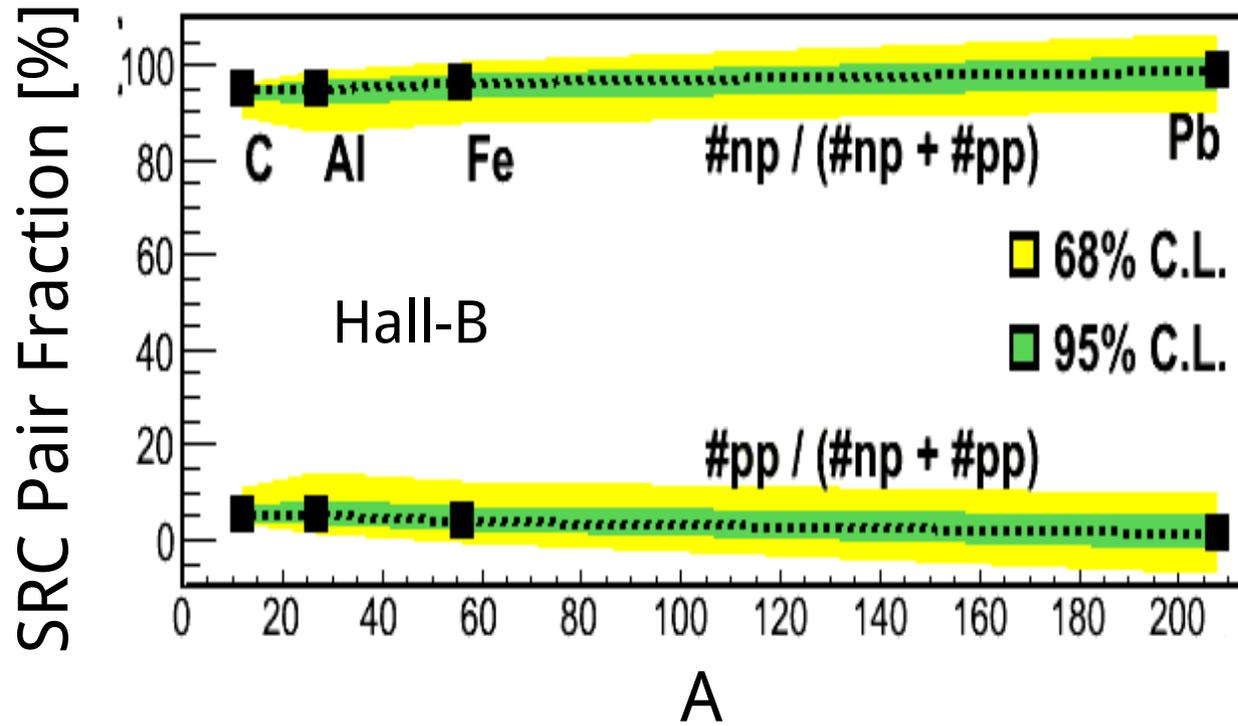
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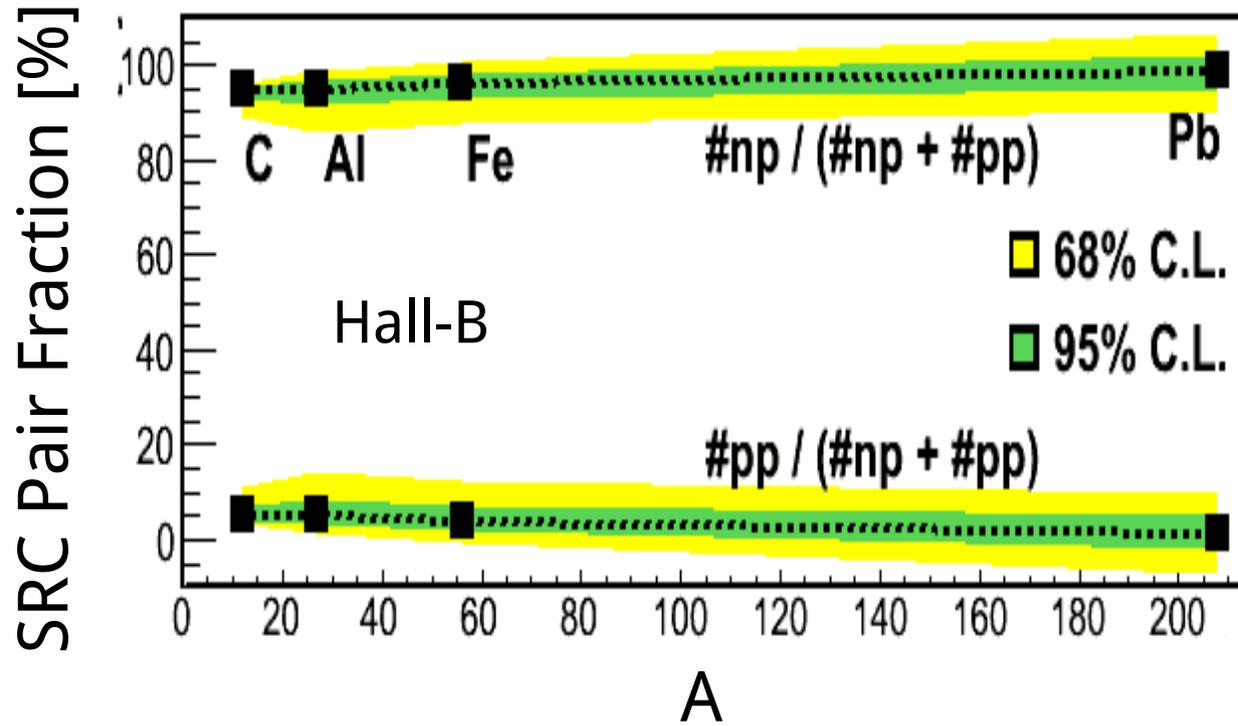


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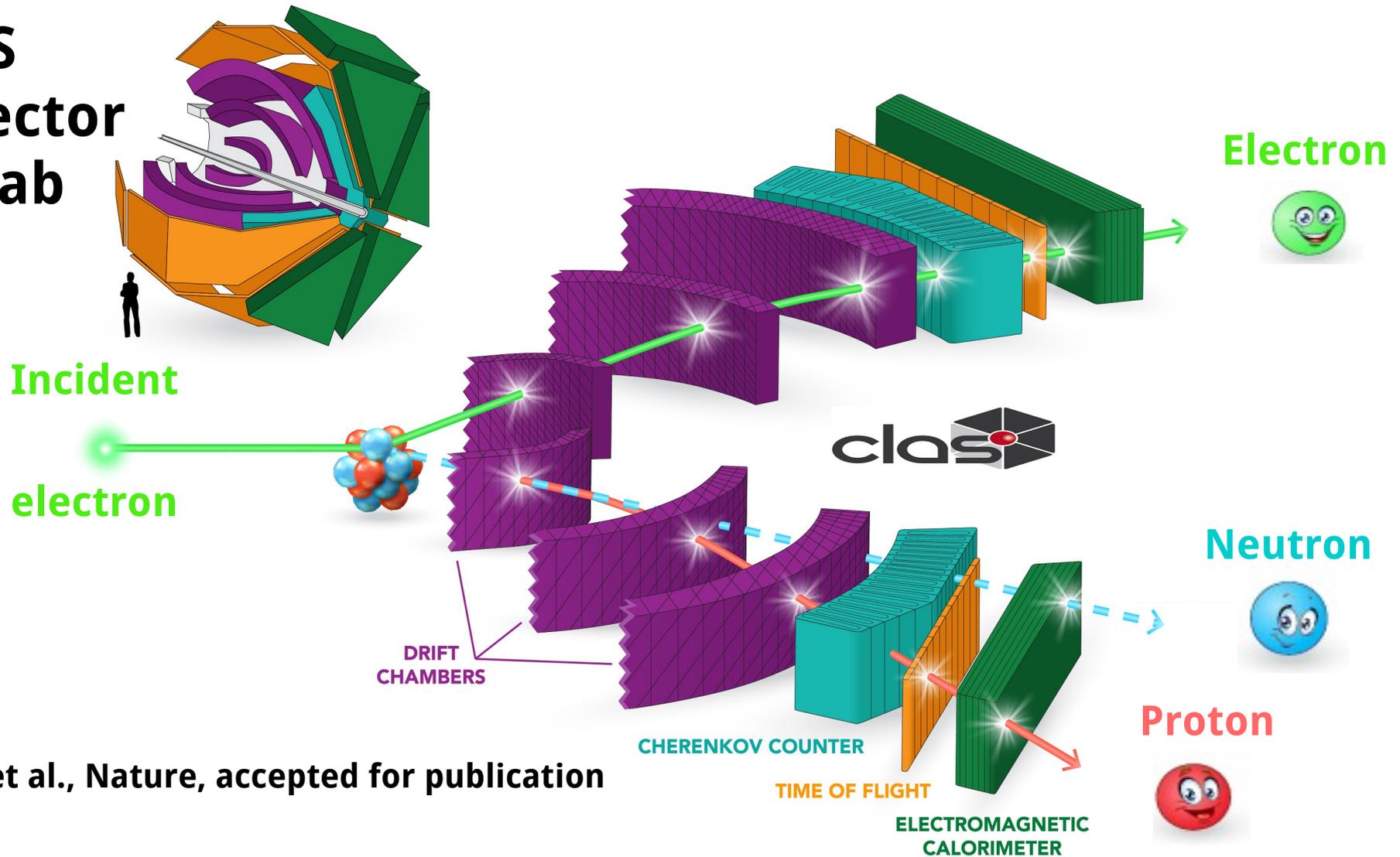
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np fractions extracted from (e,e'p) & (e,e'pp) events

**No neutrons detection**

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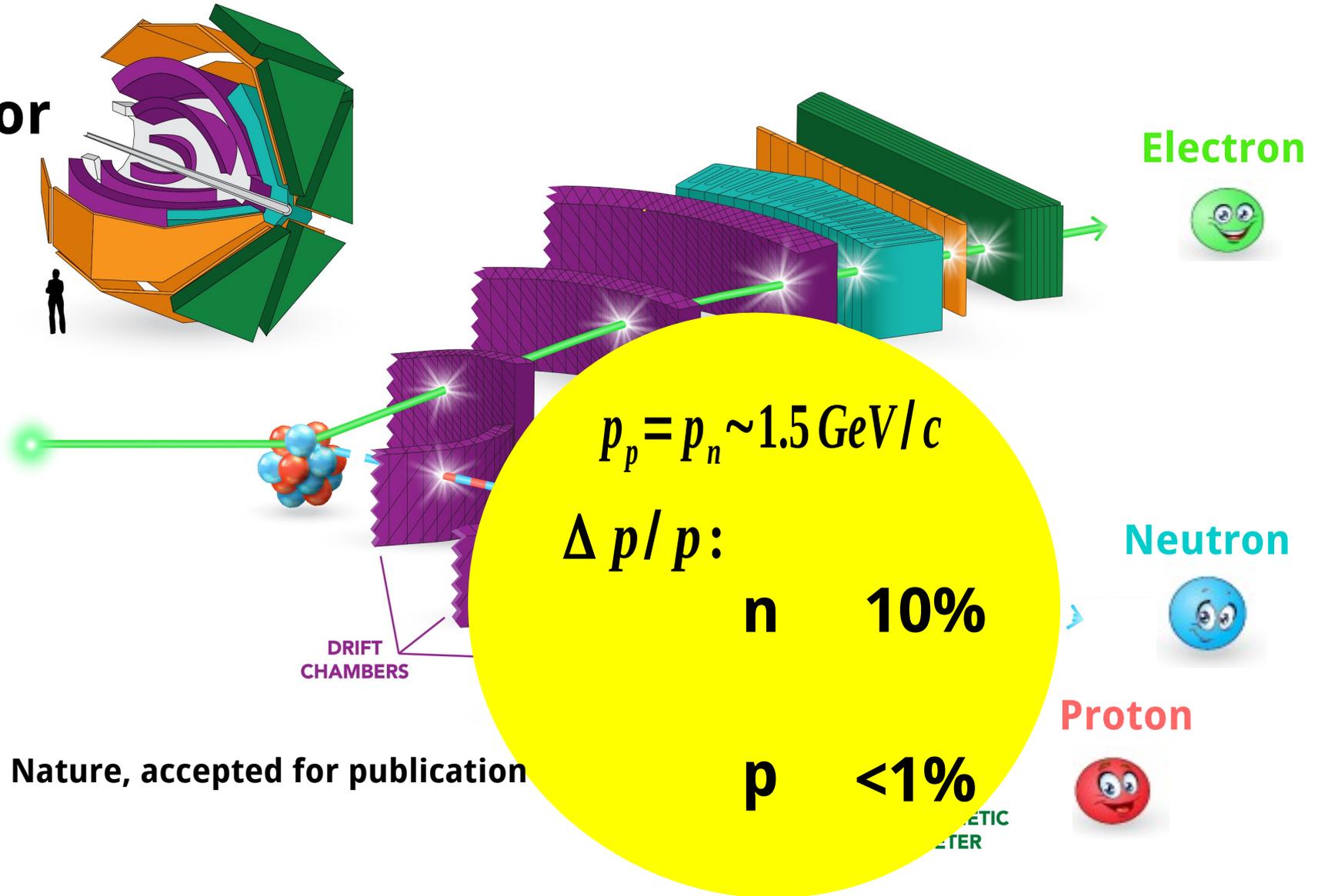
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# Probing high-momentum protons and neutrons in asymmetric nuclei

Using (e,e'p) & (e,e'n) reactions

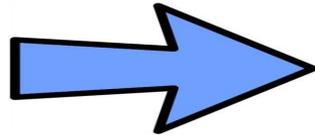
The selected cuts:

$$x_B > 1.1, \quad 0.62 \leq |\vec{P}_N|/|\vec{q}| \leq 1.1, \quad \theta_{Nq} \leq 25^\circ,$$

$$0.4 \leq P_{miss} \leq 1 \text{ GeV}/c, \quad M_{miss} \leq 1.175 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

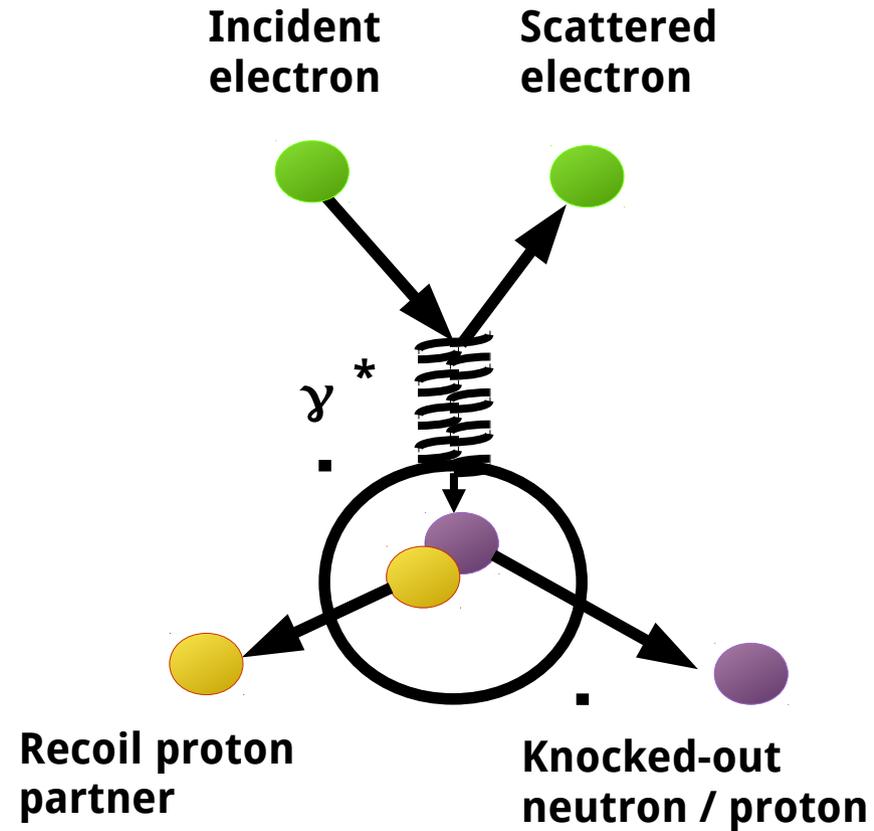
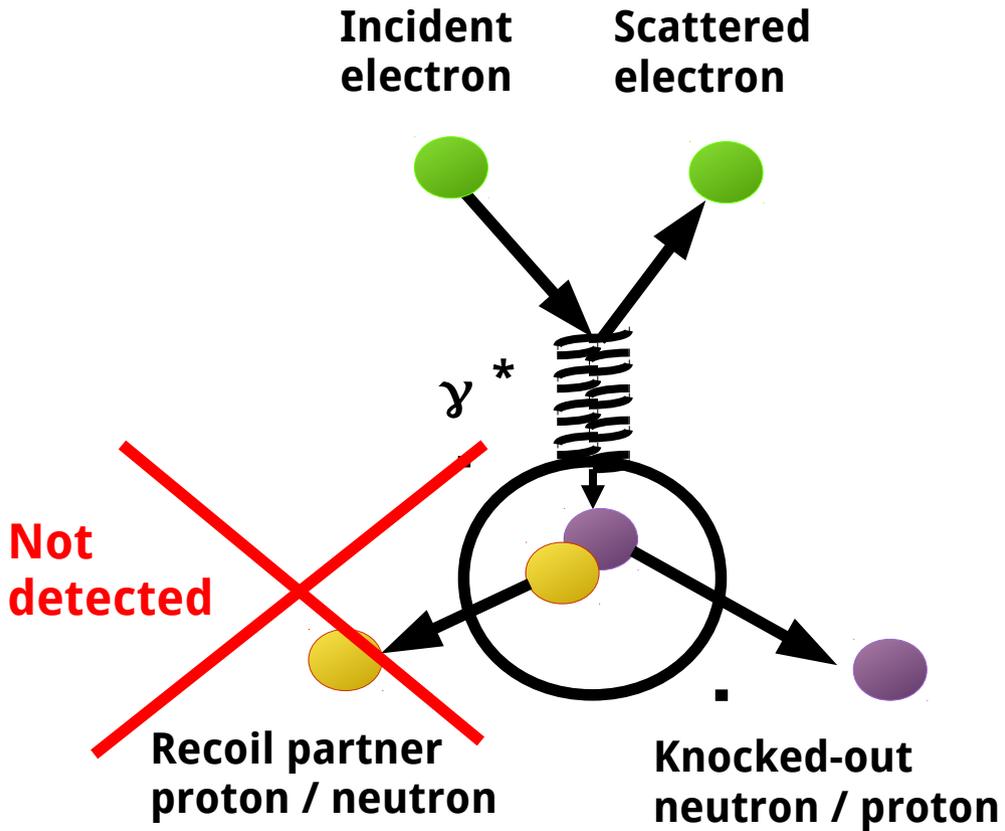
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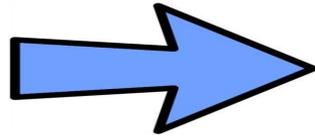
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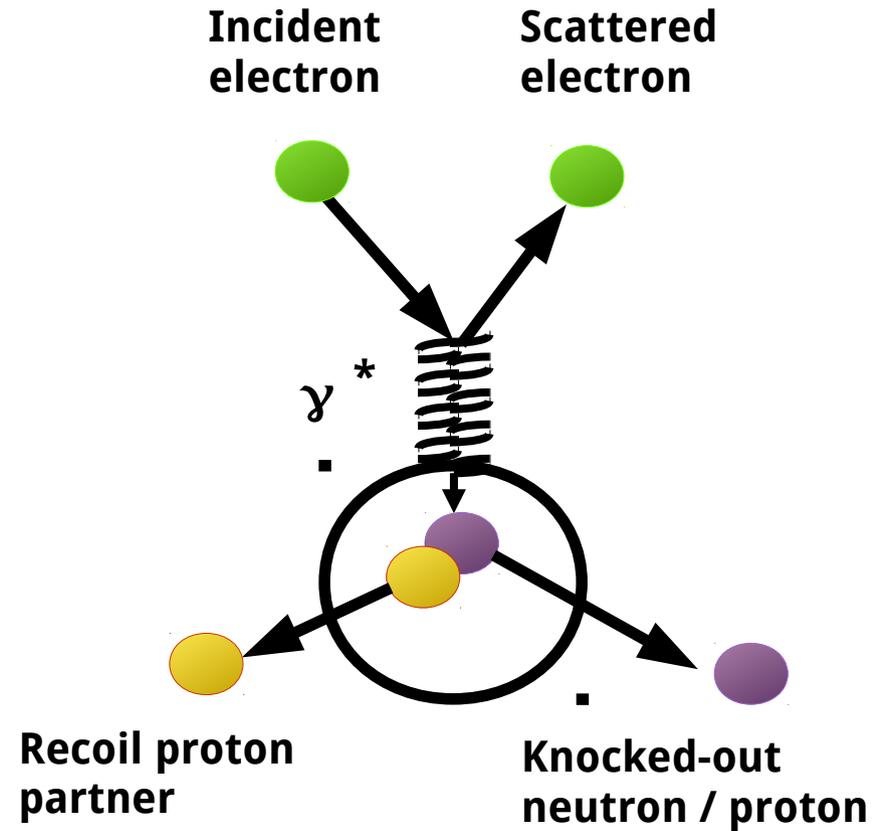
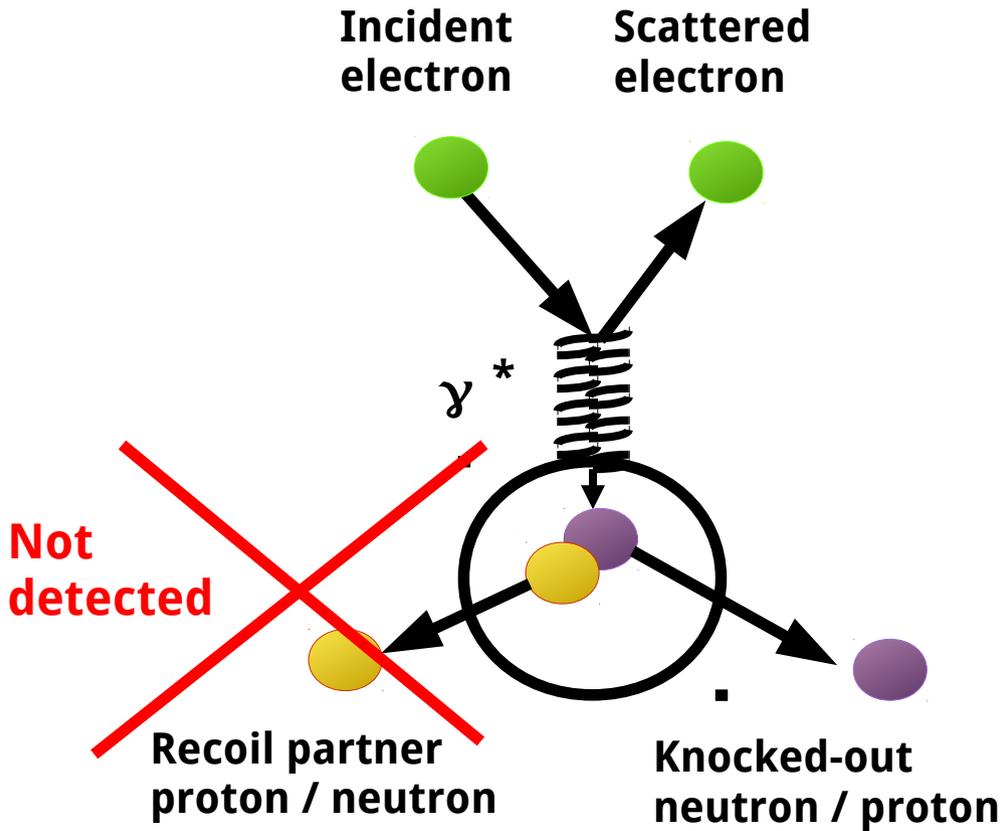
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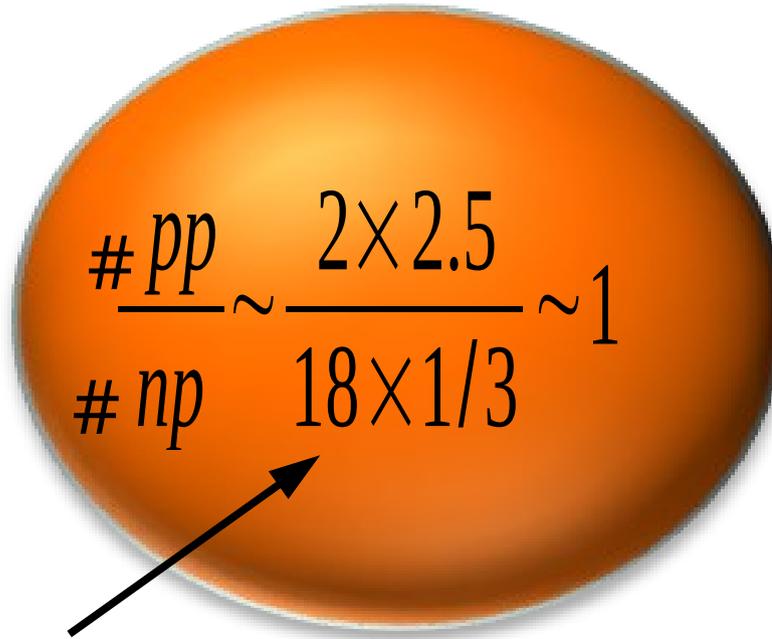
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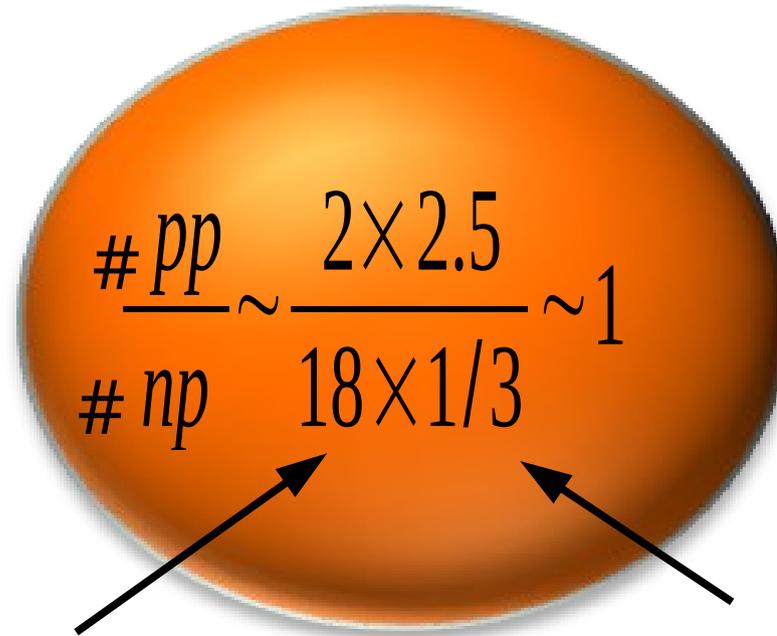
$(e, e'np)$  &  $(e, e'pp)$ : all cuts used for  $(e, e'n)$  &  $(e, e'p)$  +  
high momentum recoil proton ( $|\vec{P}_{recoil}| > 0.35 \text{ GeV}/c$ )  
and energy deposit cut on it

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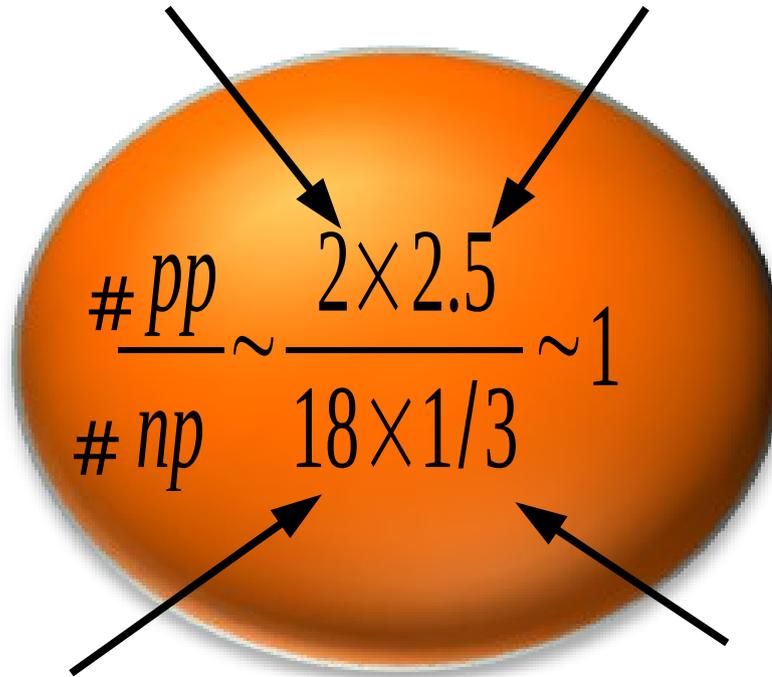
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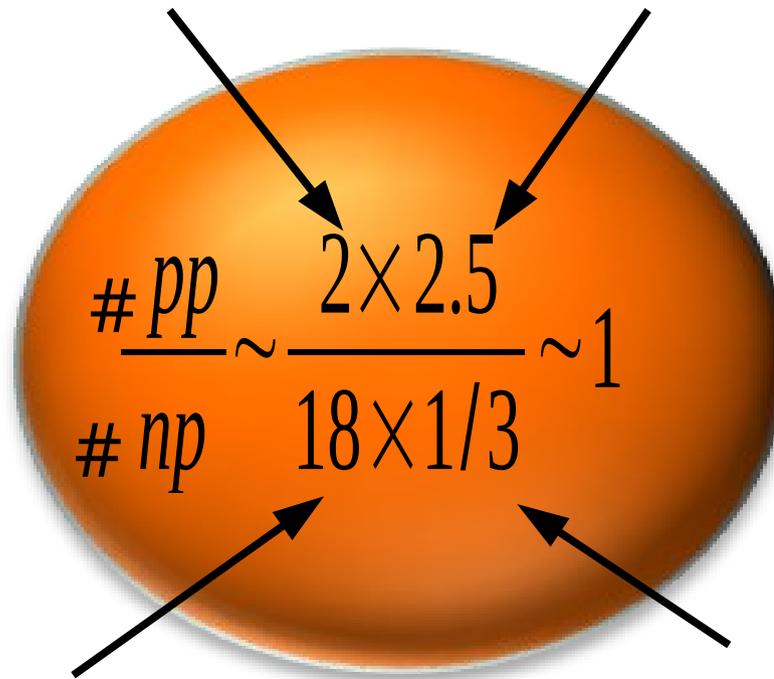
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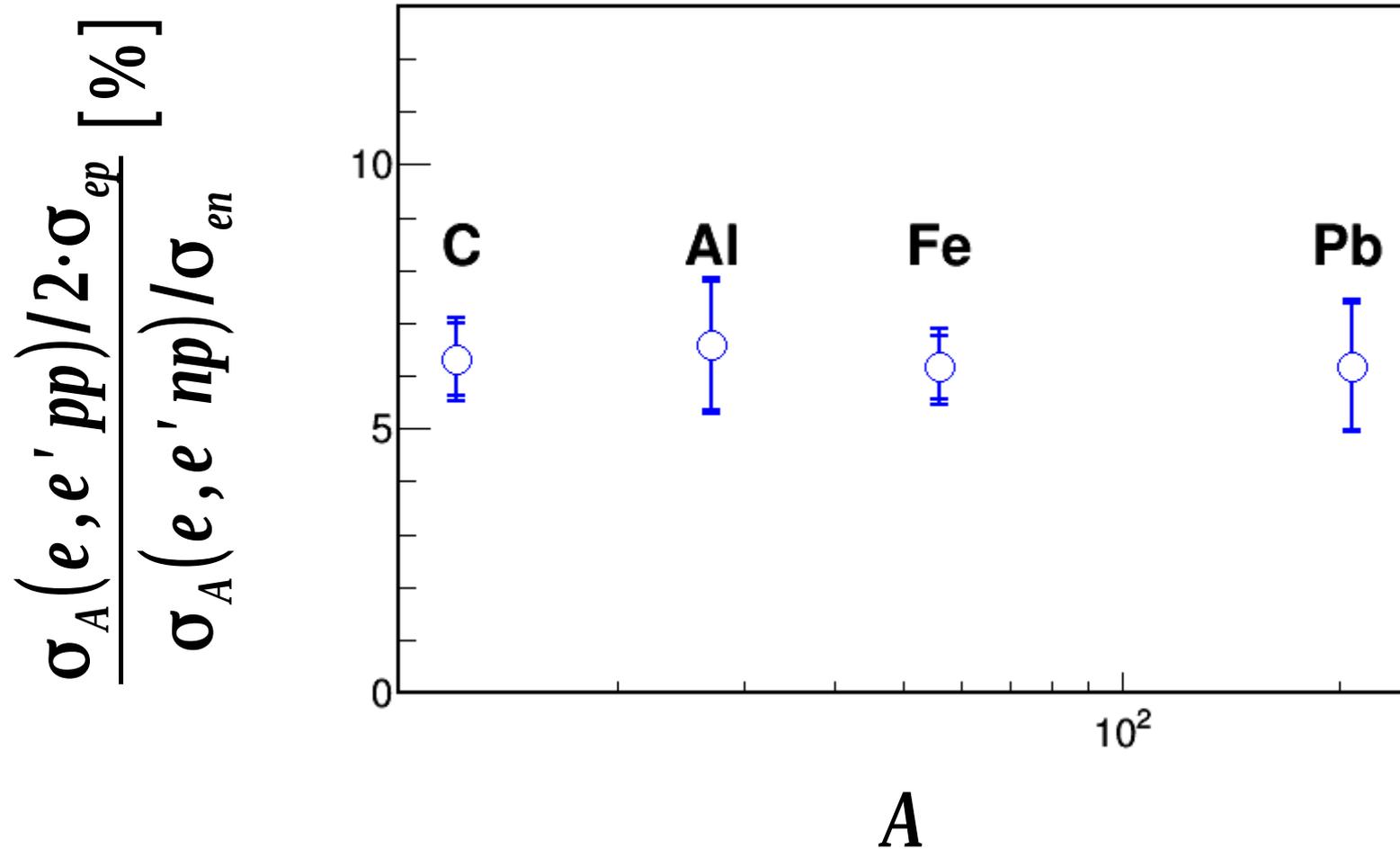


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← uncertainties →

Nuclei	pp/np [%]	Stat	ES	$\epsilon_n$	$\epsilon_p$	T
C	6.31±0.79	0.67	0.33	0.24	0.10	--
Al	6.57±1.29	1.21	0.41	0.18	0.10	--
Fe	6.17±0.72	0.60	0.32	0.20	0.10	--
Pb	6.19±1.26	1.20	0.33	0.19	0.10	0.06

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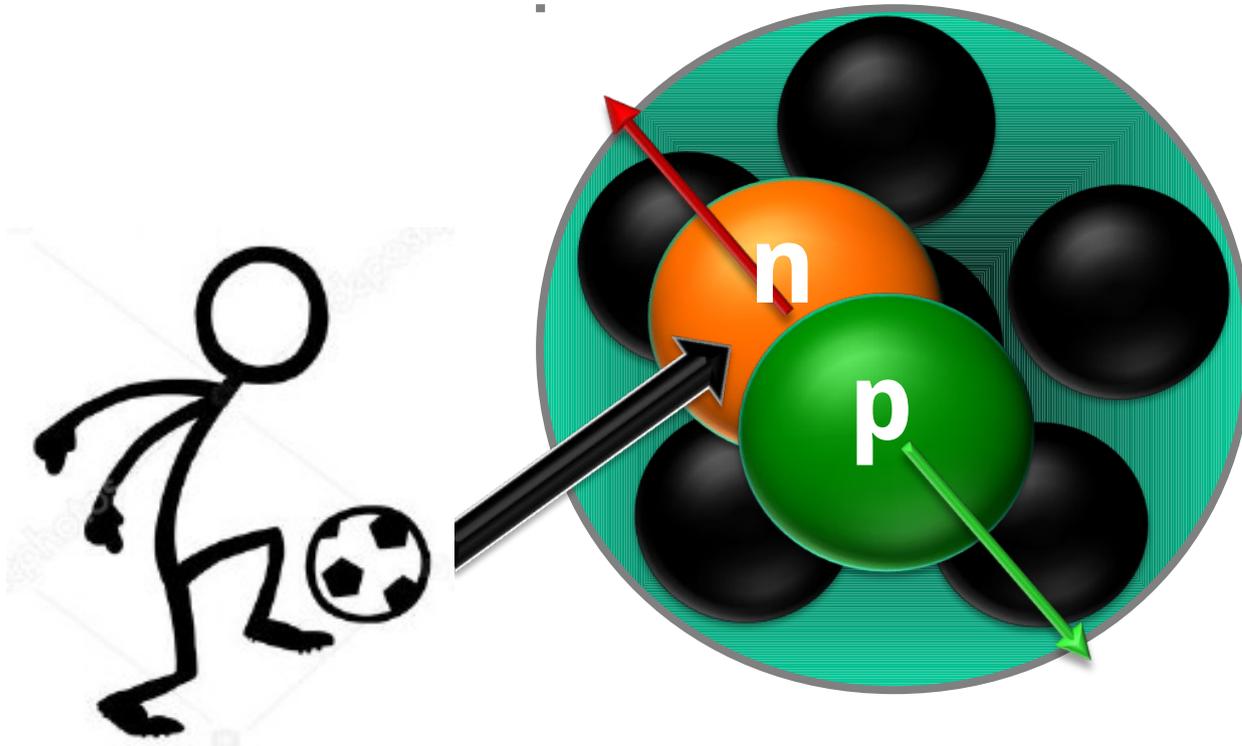
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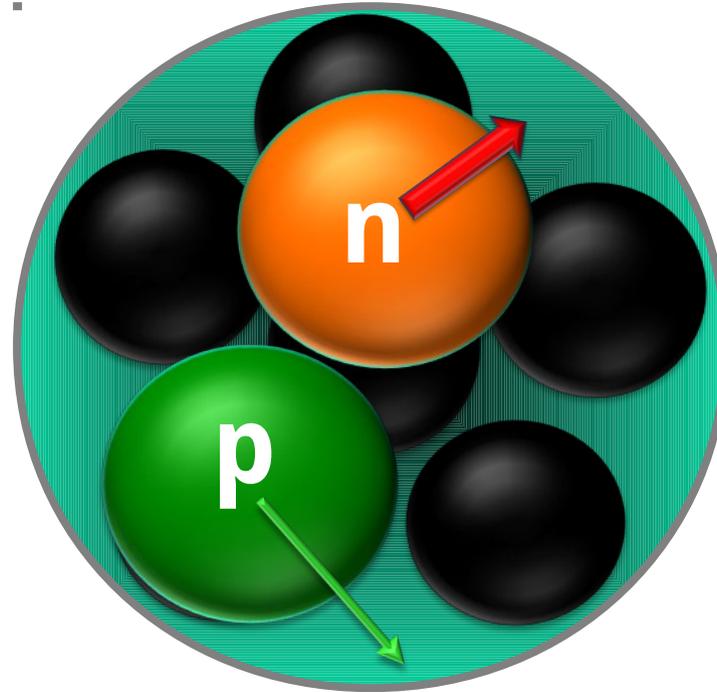
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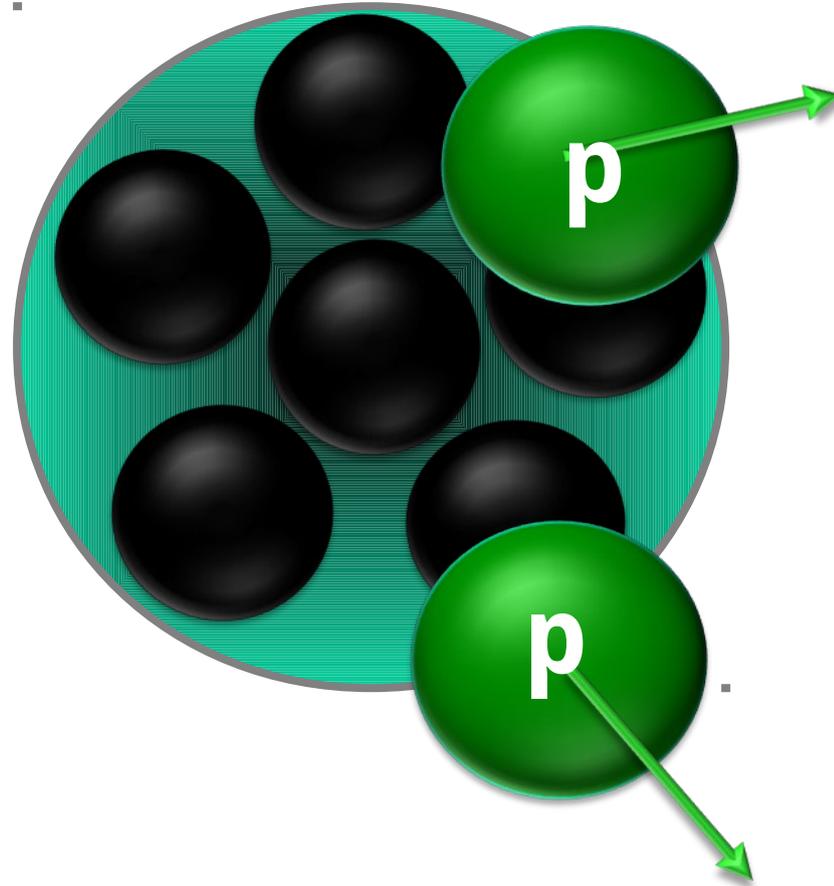
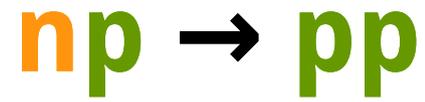
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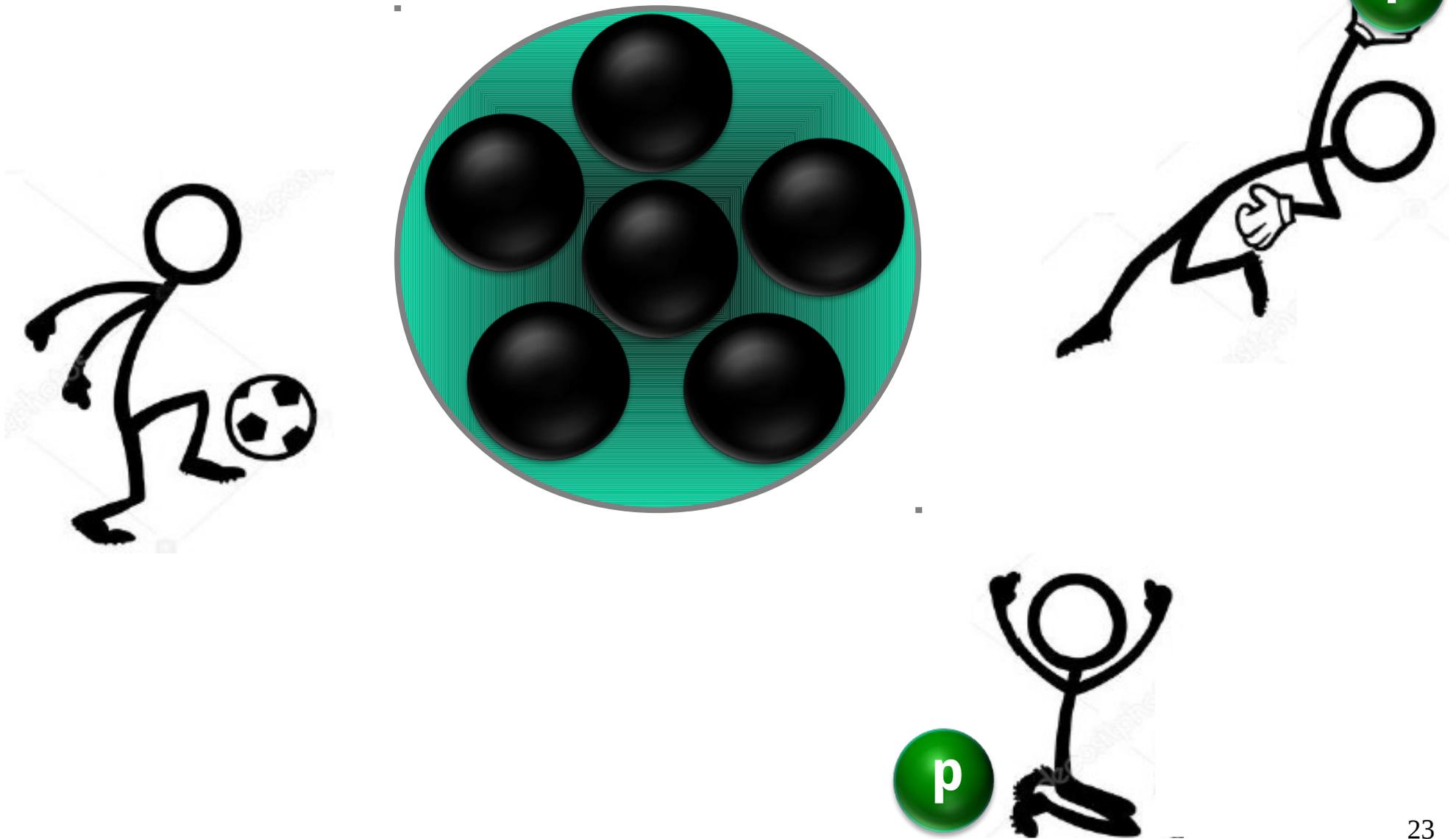
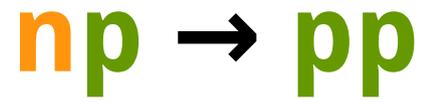
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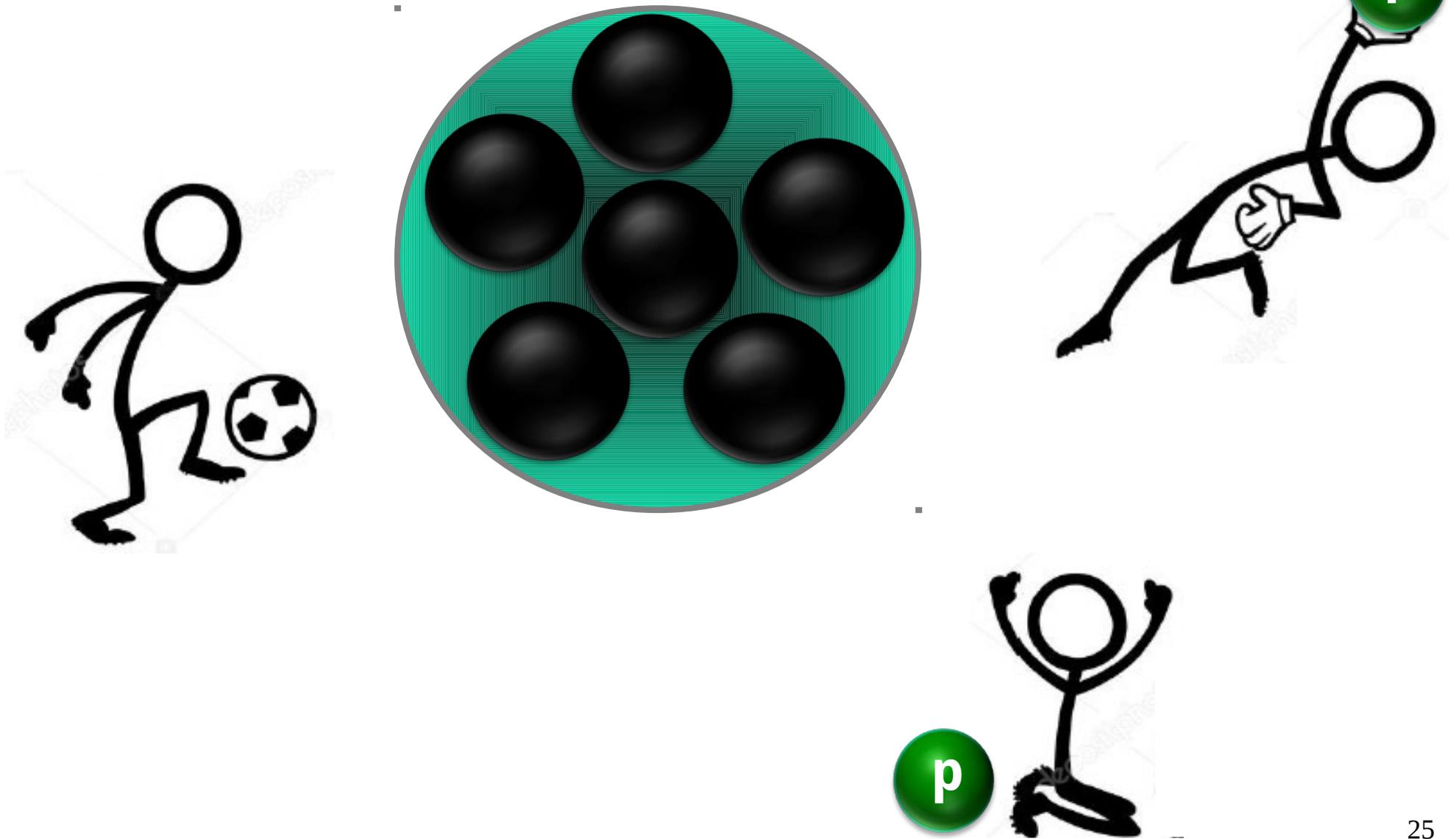
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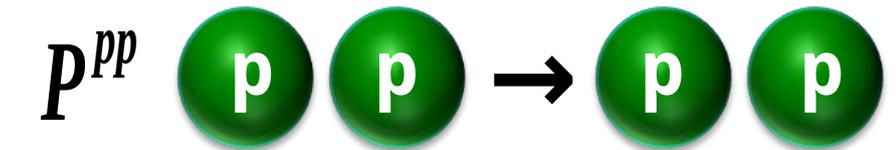
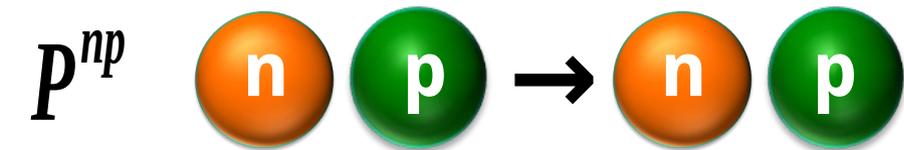
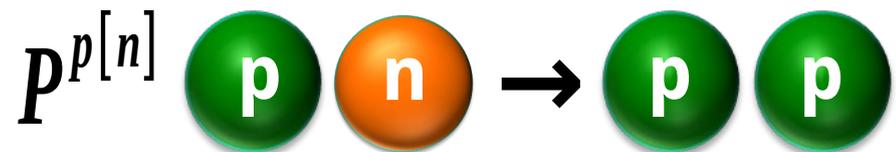
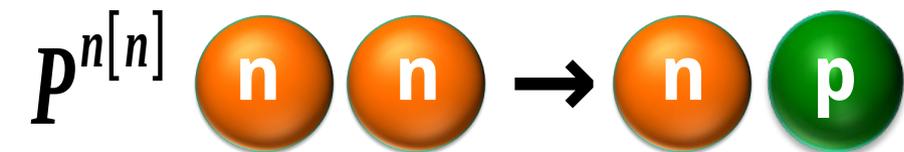
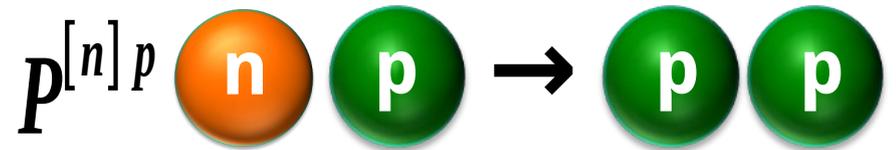
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np

pp



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$$\# pp < \# nn < \frac{N(N-1)}{Z(Z-1)} \cdot \# pp$$

(Combinatorial ratio)

# Extracting pp/np ratios

$$\frac{\# pp}{\# np} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2 \cdot R \cdot P^{np} - P^{[n]p} - P^{p[n]} / \sigma_{p/n}}{P^{pp} - 2 \cdot \sigma_{p/n} \cdot R \cdot P^{[p]p} - 2 \cdot R \cdot \eta \cdot P^{n[n]}}$$

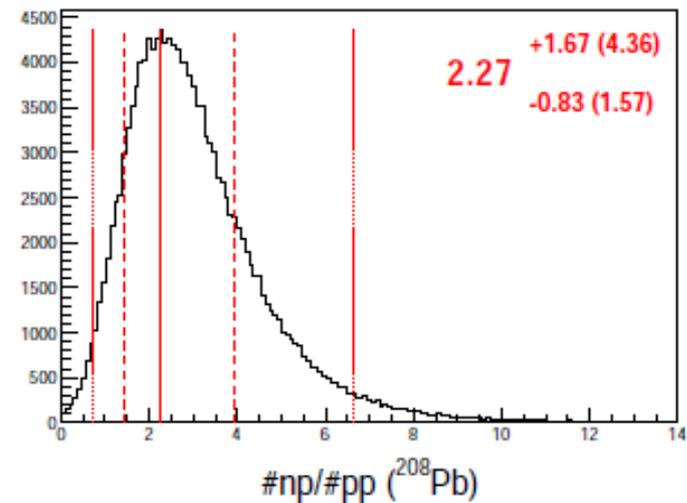
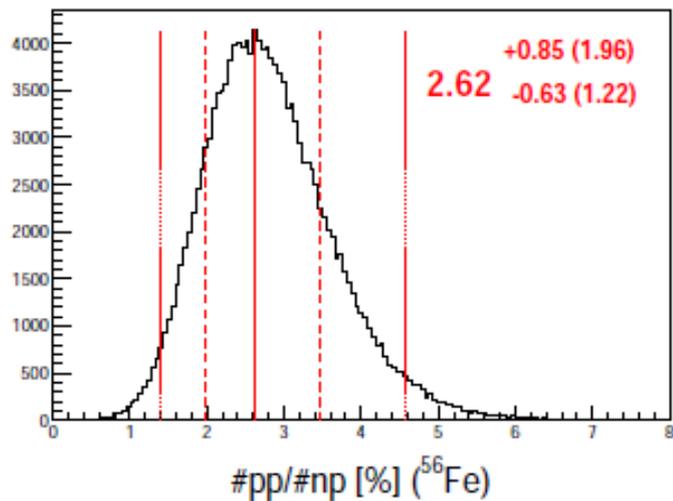
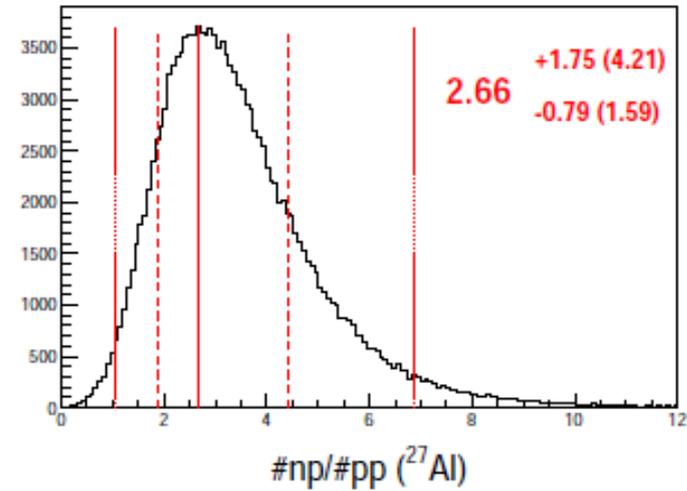
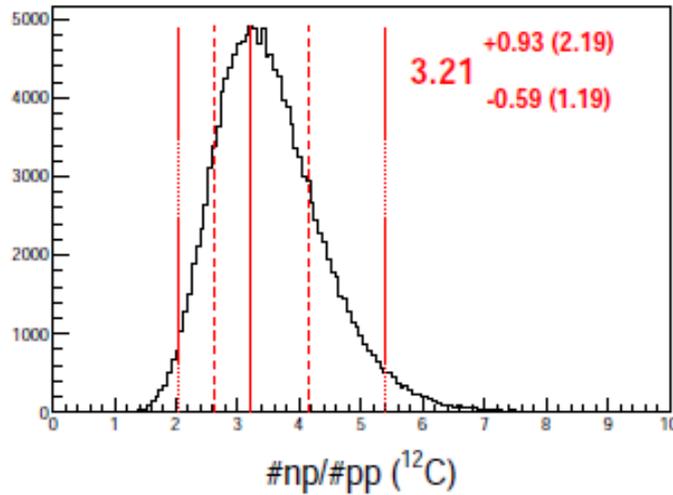
$\sigma_{p/n} = \frac{\sigma_{ep}}{\sigma_{en}}$

$R = \frac{A(e, e' pp) / 2 \cdot \sigma_{ep}}{A(e, e' np) / \sigma_{en}}$

$\eta = \frac{\# nn}{\# pp}$

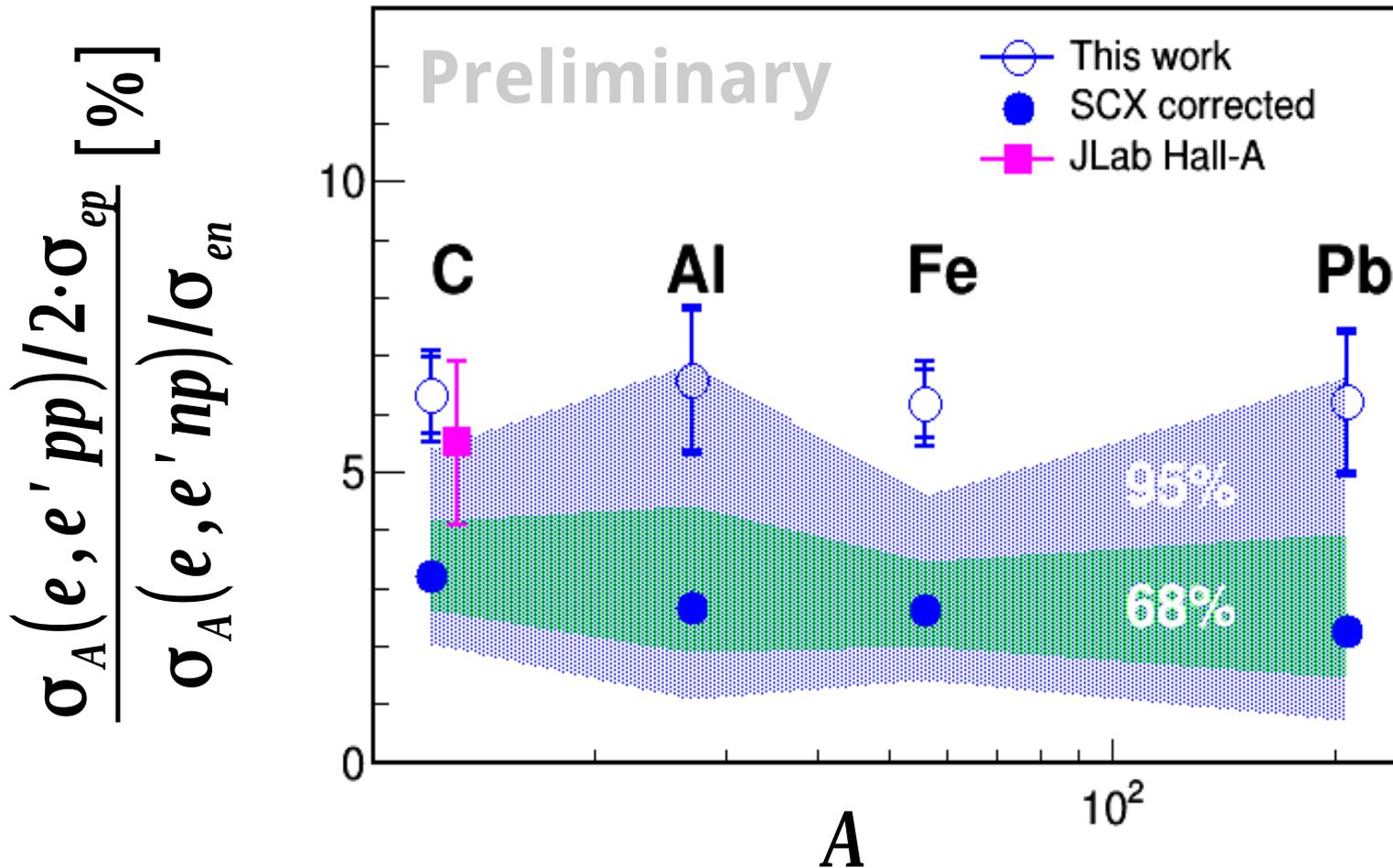
**SCX probabilities, Ref. [1], change between  
~ 3 – 7 % from C to Pb**

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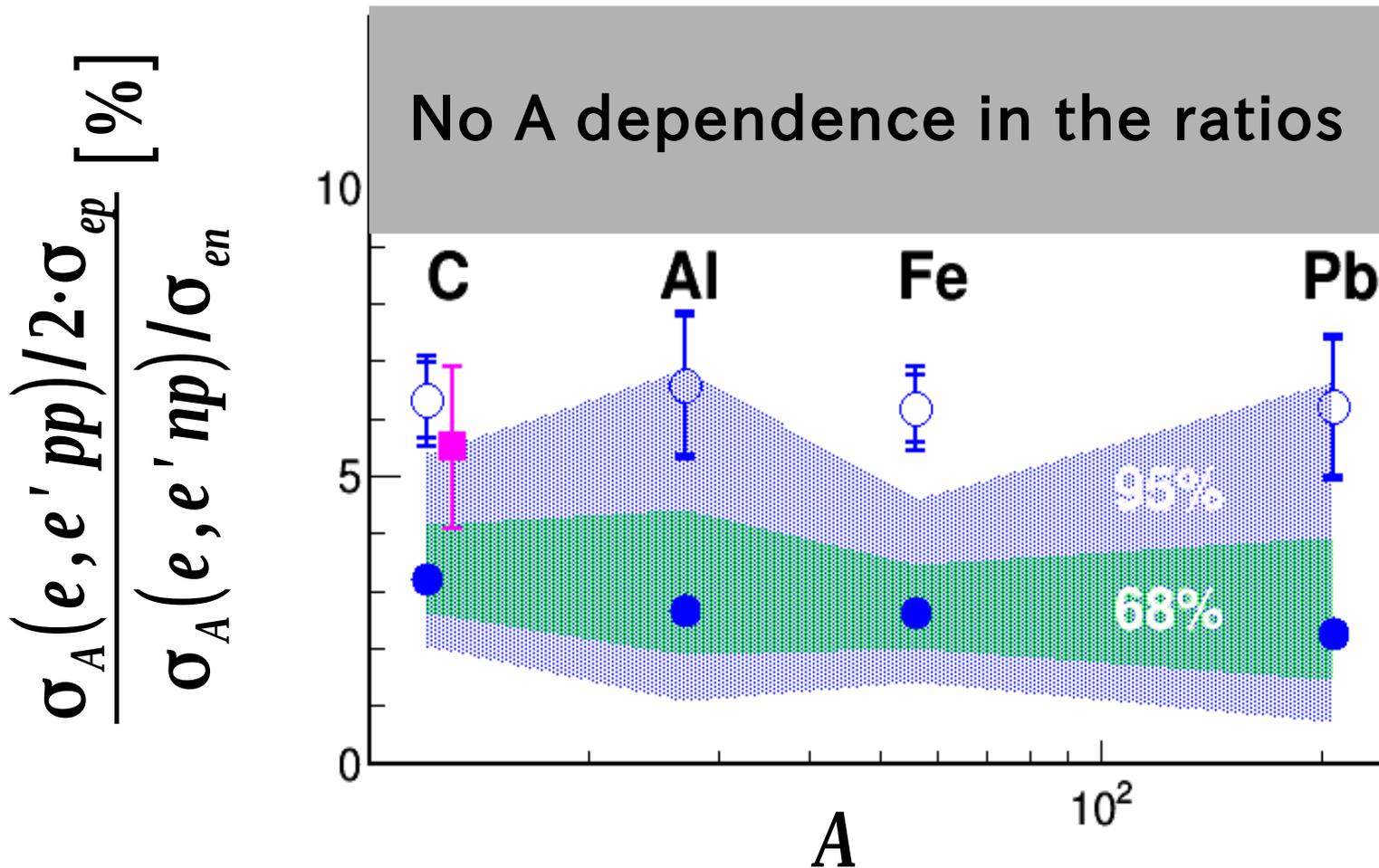


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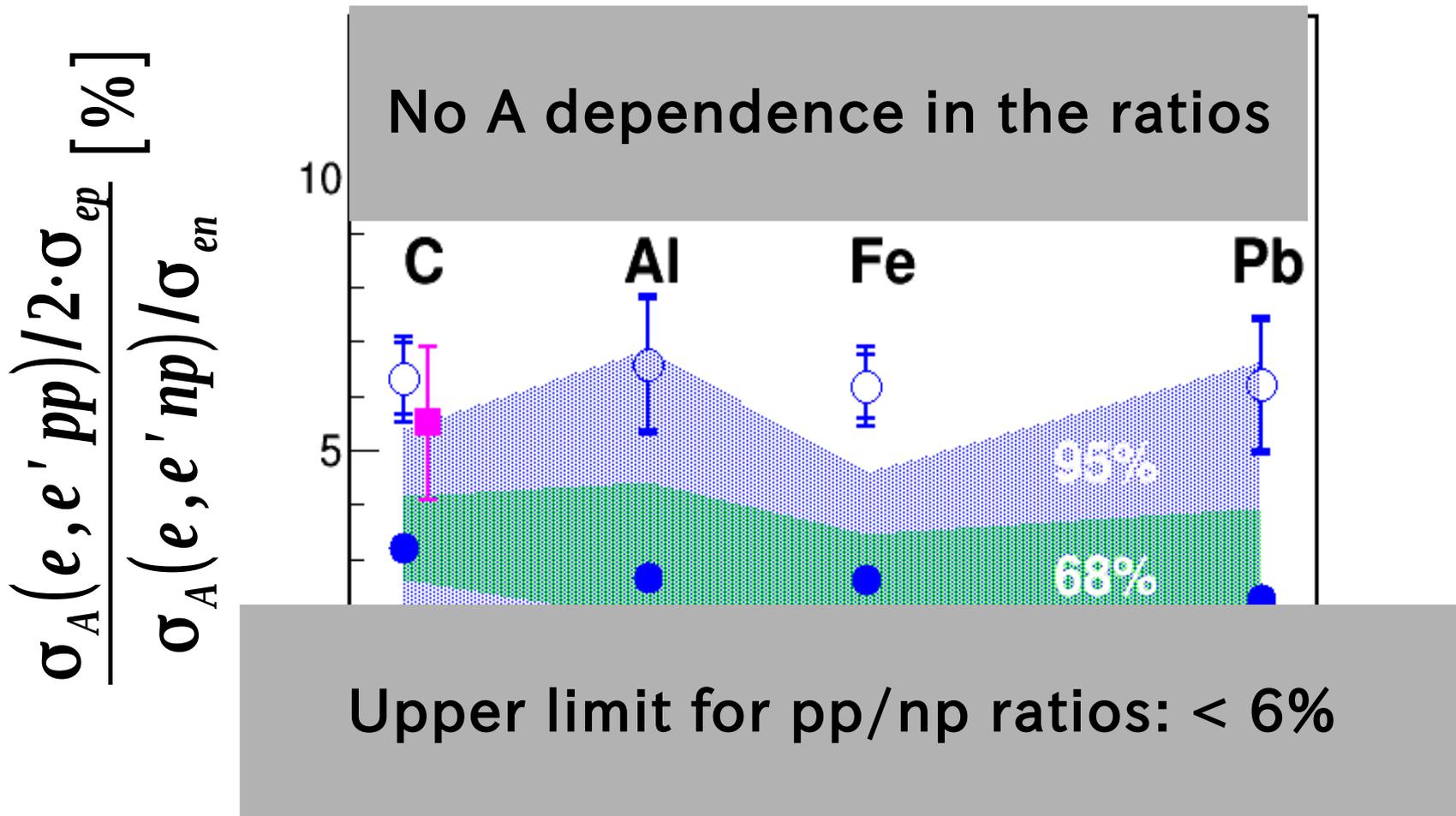


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# Analysis Status

Analysis review committee - Done

Paper draft (to be submitted for PRL)

Observation of Proton-Neutron Short-Range Correlation Dominance in Heavy Nuclei  
via  $A(e, e'np)$  and  $A(e, e'pp)$  Reactions

or

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We measured the triple coincidence  $A(e, e'np)$  and  $A(e, e'pp)$  reactions on carbon, aluminum, iron, and lead targets using a 5.01 GeV electron beam and the CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer (CLAS) at the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility. The measurement was done at  $Q^2 > 1.5$  (GeV/c)<sup>2</sup>,  $x_B > 1$  and missing-momentum  $> 350$  MeV/c, corresponding to the hard breakup of two-nucleon short-range correlated pairs (2N-SRC). The knocked-out neutrons or protons and scattered electrons were detected in coincidence with a proton recoiling almost back to back to the missing momentum, leaving the residual  $A - 2$  system at low momentum. Using these data we directly verified, for the first time on neutron rich nuclei, that the number of proton-proton SRC pairs is smaller than the number of neutron-proton SRC pairs by about a factor of 20, independent of the neutron excess in the nucleus.

Ad-hoc committee for the paper – Pending

# Thank you!



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# Backup Slides

# Momentum sharing in asymmetric nuclei

**Pauli principle**

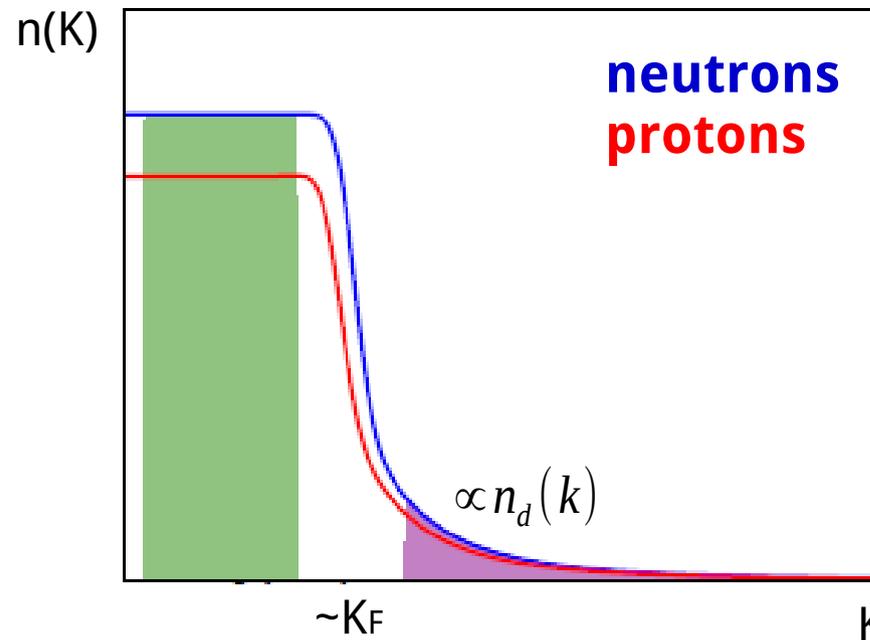


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**SRC (np-dominance)**



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$$\langle E_{p(n)}^{kin} \rangle = \int n_{p(n)} \cdot \frac{k^2}{2m} \cdot d^3 k$$

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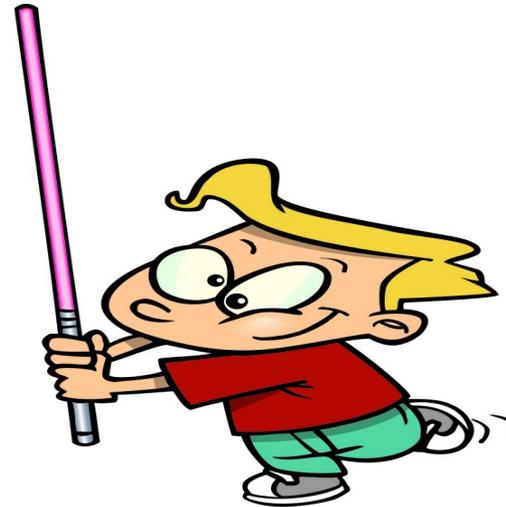


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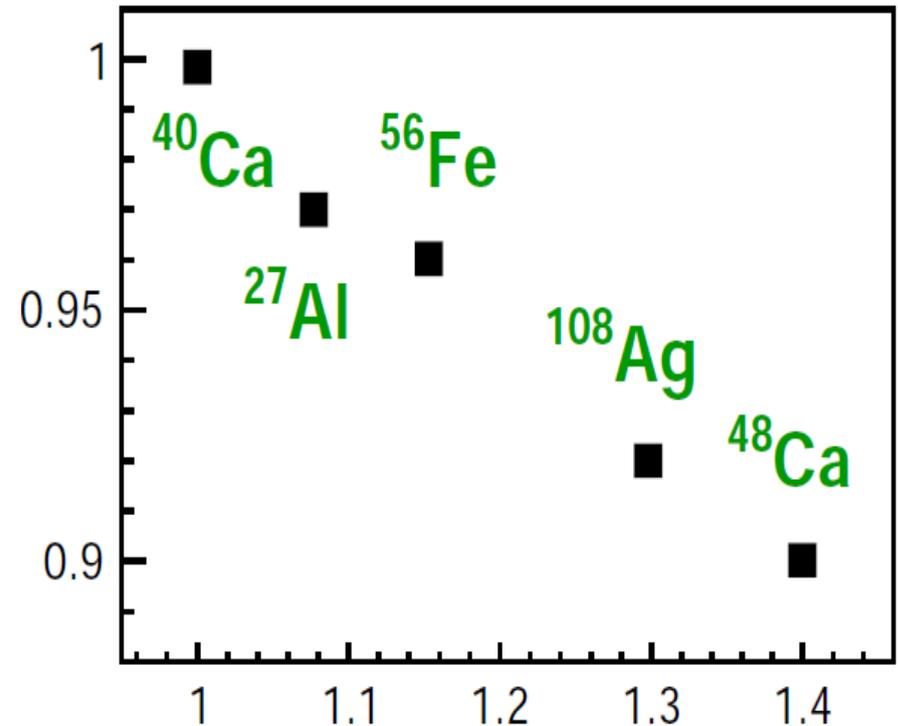
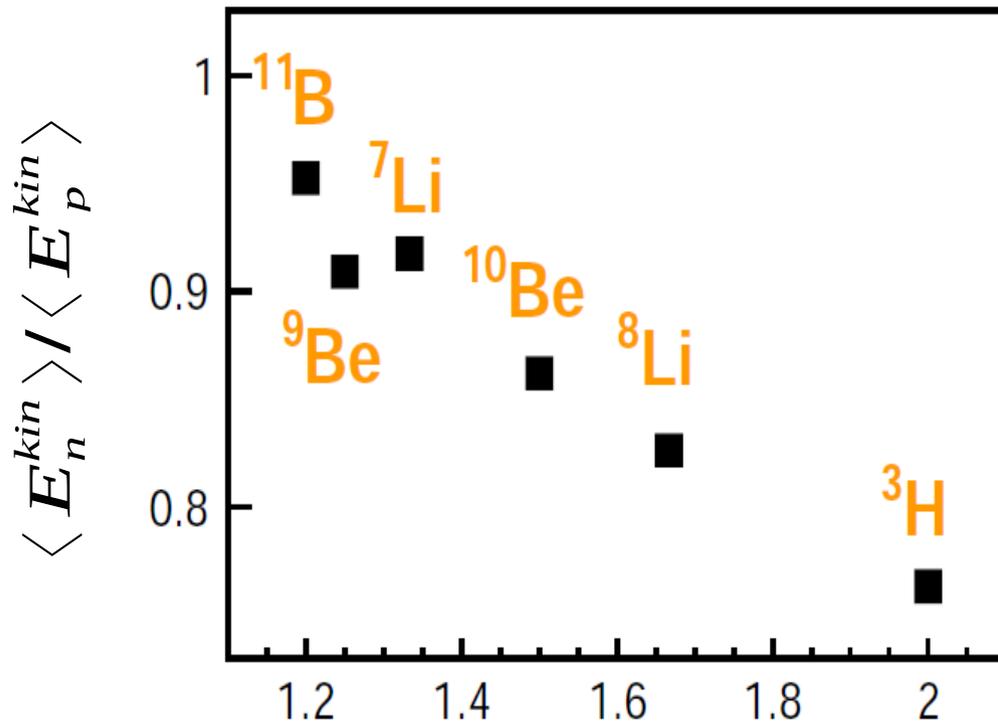
Who wins?

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# Theoretical predictions (N>Z)

Light nuclei (A<12)

Heavy nuclei (A>12)



Neutron Excess [N/Z]

Z>N:

$^3\text{He}$  N/Z = 1/2  $\langle E_n^{kin} \rangle / \langle E_p^{kin} \rangle = 1.31$

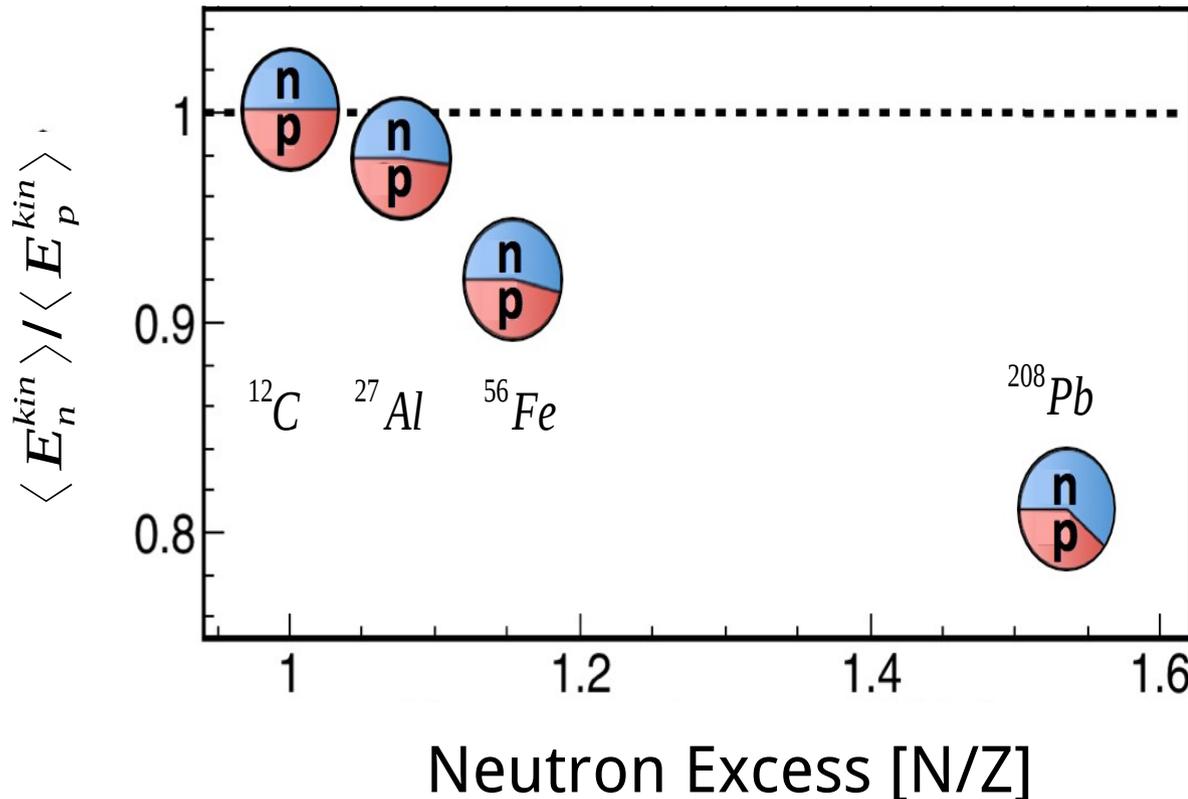
# Simple np-dominance model

$$n_p(k) = \begin{cases} \eta \cdot n_p^{M.F.}(k) & k < k_0 \\ \frac{A}{2Z} \cdot a_2(A/d) \cdot n_d(k) & k > k_0 \end{cases} \quad \text{(for neutrons: } Z \rightarrow N\text{)}$$

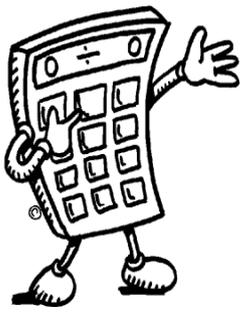
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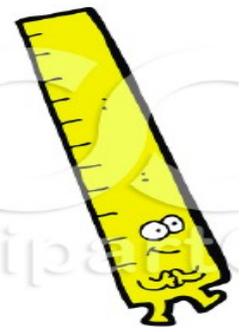
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$k_0$ : 300 MeV/c,  $k_F$   
 $n^{M.F.}(k)$ : Wood-Saxon  
 Serot- Walecka  
 Ciofi & Simula  
 $n_d(k)$ : AV18 NN potential  
 $a_2(A/d)$ : Scaling factor  
 $\eta$  determined by:  $\int n_{p(n)}(k) d^3k = 1$



# Calculation → Measurement

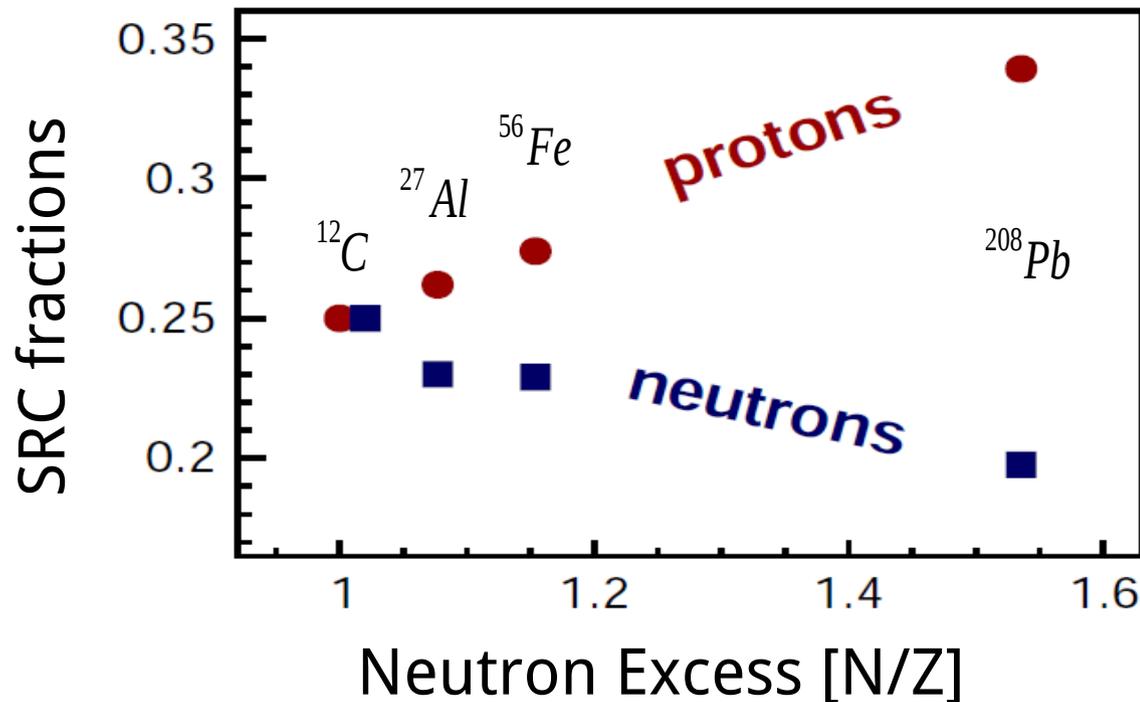


## Simple estimate based on np-dominance

$^{208}\text{Pb}$ :  $Z=82$   $N=126$  **SRC=20%**

$$R_p = \frac{\text{protons}_{k>k_F}}{\text{protons}_{k<k_F}} \approx \frac{20}{82-20} = 0.32$$

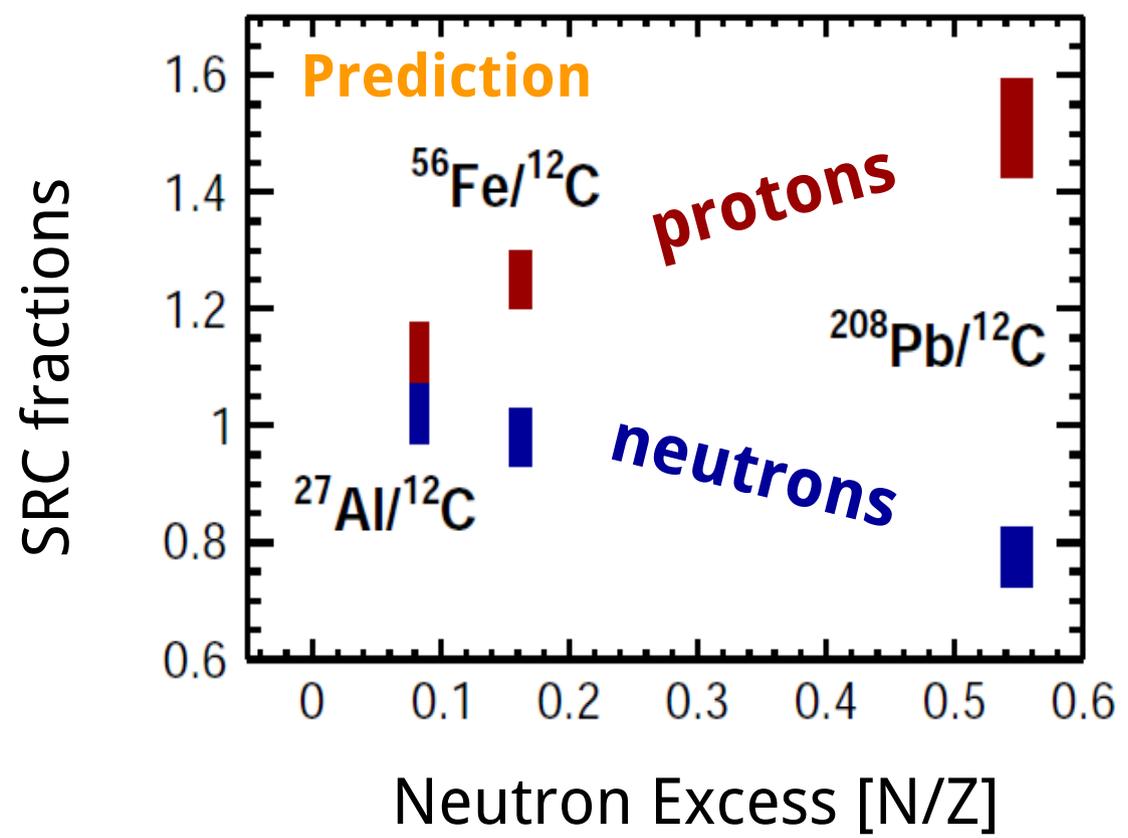
$$R_n = \frac{\text{neutrons}_{k>k_F}}{\text{neutrons}_{k<k_F}} \approx \frac{20}{126-20} = 0.19$$



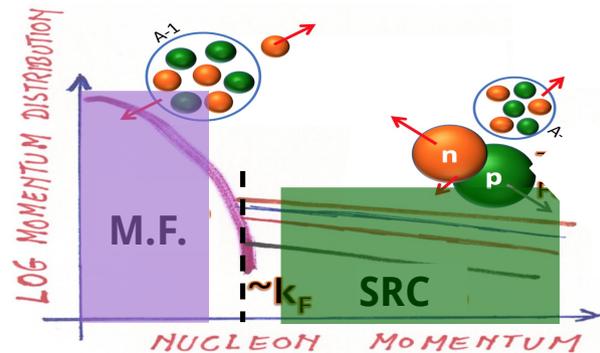


# The goal:

Extracting  $\frac{A(e, e' N) \text{ high/low}}{^{12}\text{C}(e, e' N) \text{ high/low}}$  ratios ( $N=n/p$ )



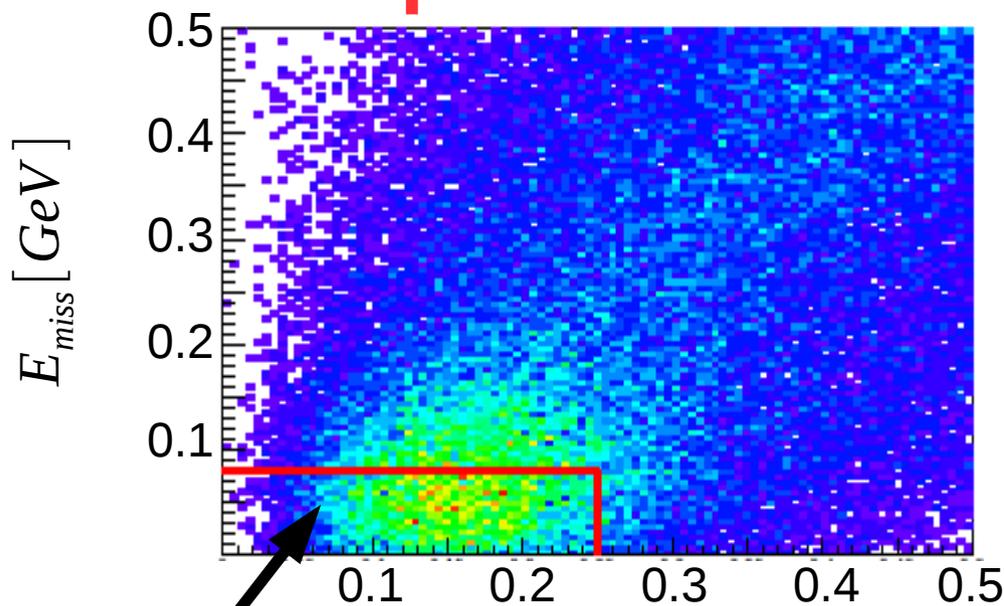
# Selecting M.F. QE events



$$\vec{p}_{miss} = \vec{p}_N - \vec{q}$$

$$E_{miss} = \omega - T_N - T_B$$

**protons**

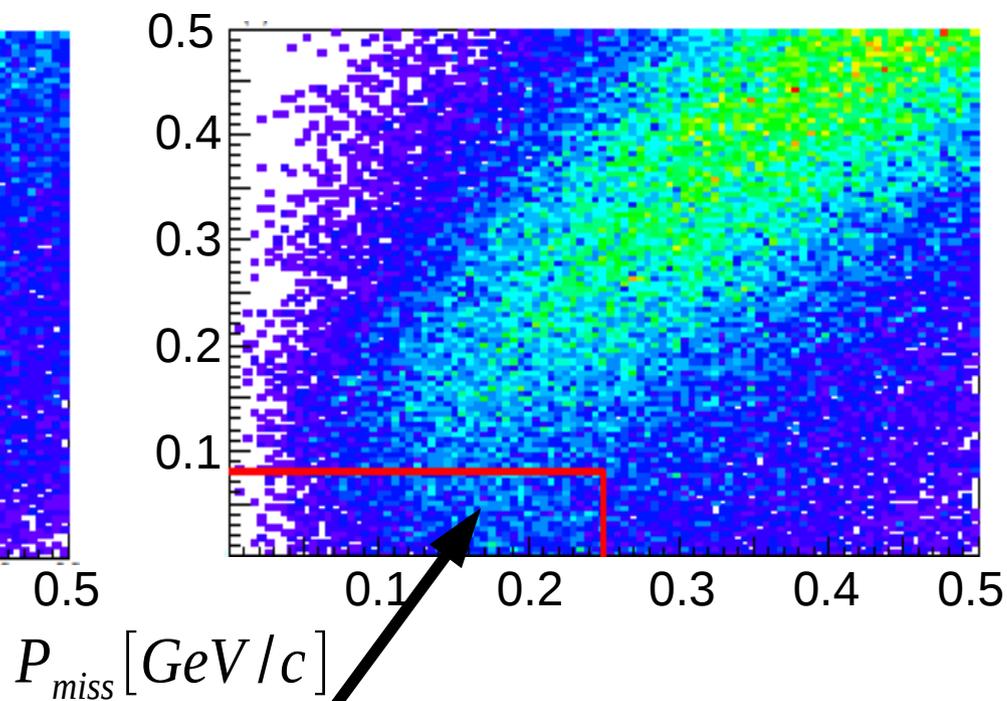


**QE peak:**

$$P_{miss} < 0.25 \text{ GeV}/c$$

$$E_{miss} < 0.08 \text{ GeV}$$

**neutrons**

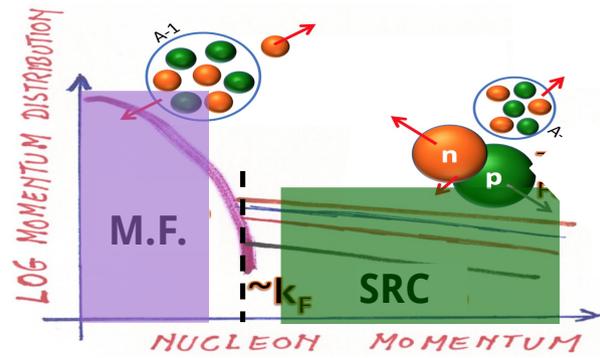


**Problem:**

**Poor resolution in the EC -**

$$\Delta P \approx 0.1 \text{ GeV}/c$$

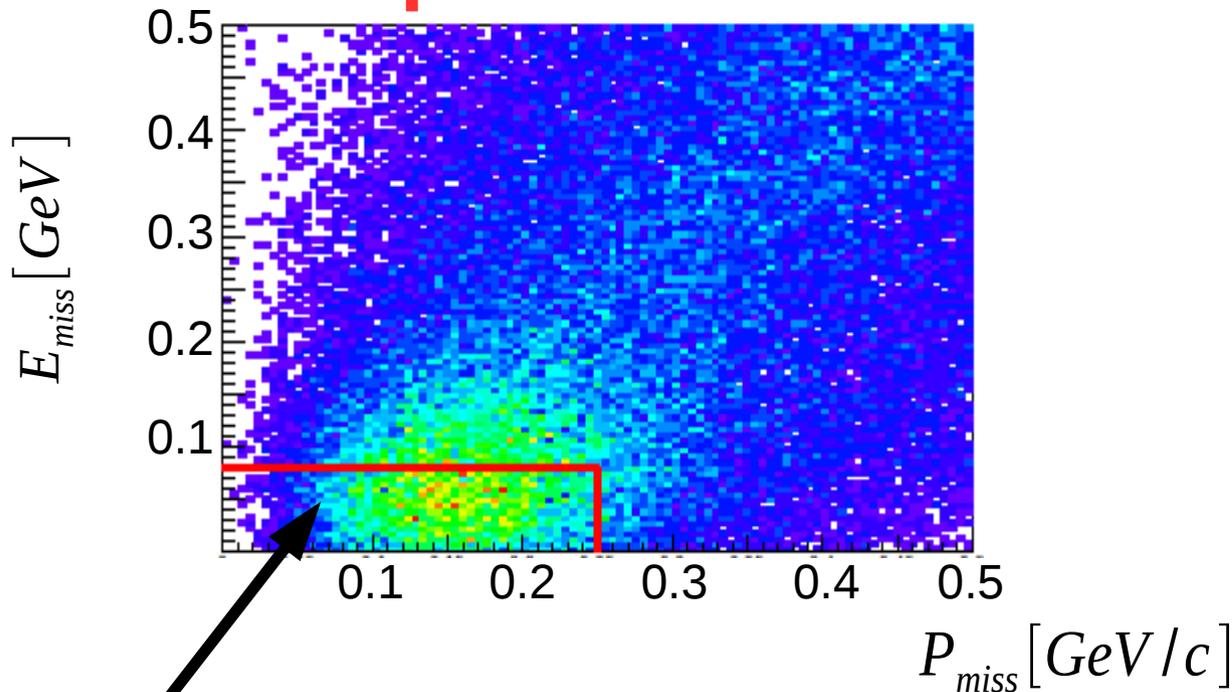
# Selecting M.F. QE events



$$\vec{p}_{miss} = \vec{p}_N - \vec{q}$$

$$E_{miss} = \omega - T_N - T_B$$

**protons**



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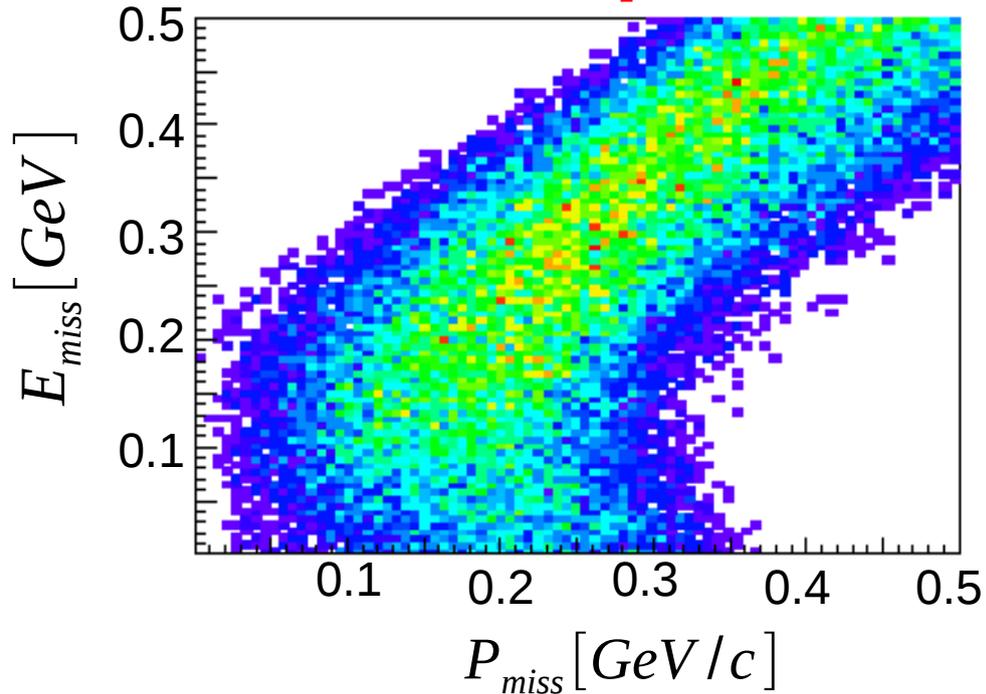


# Solution

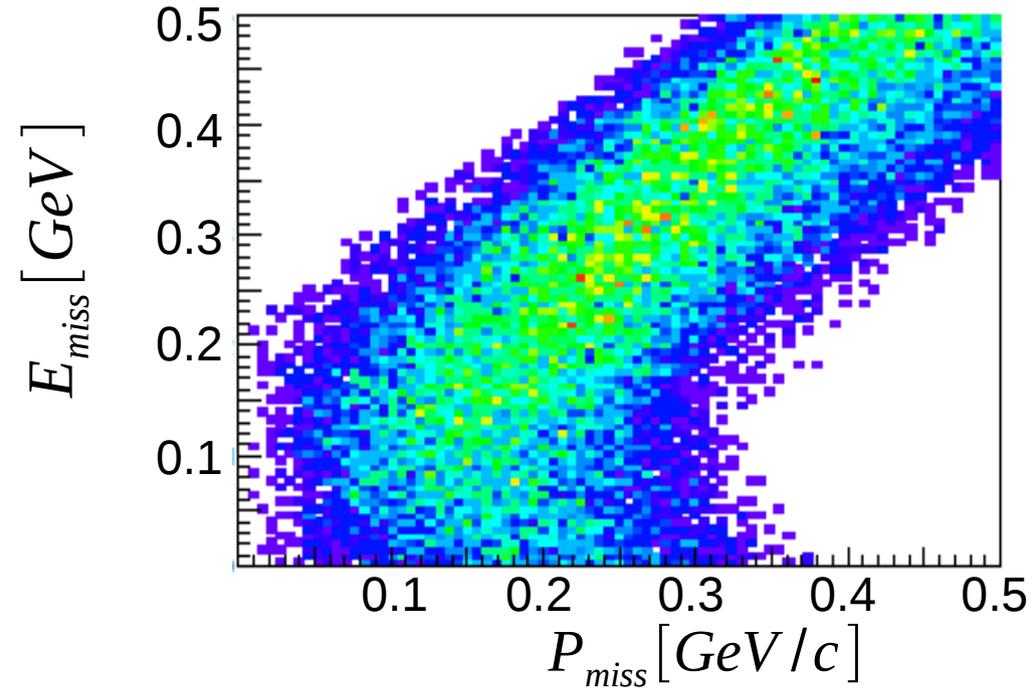
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**smeared protons**



**neutrons**

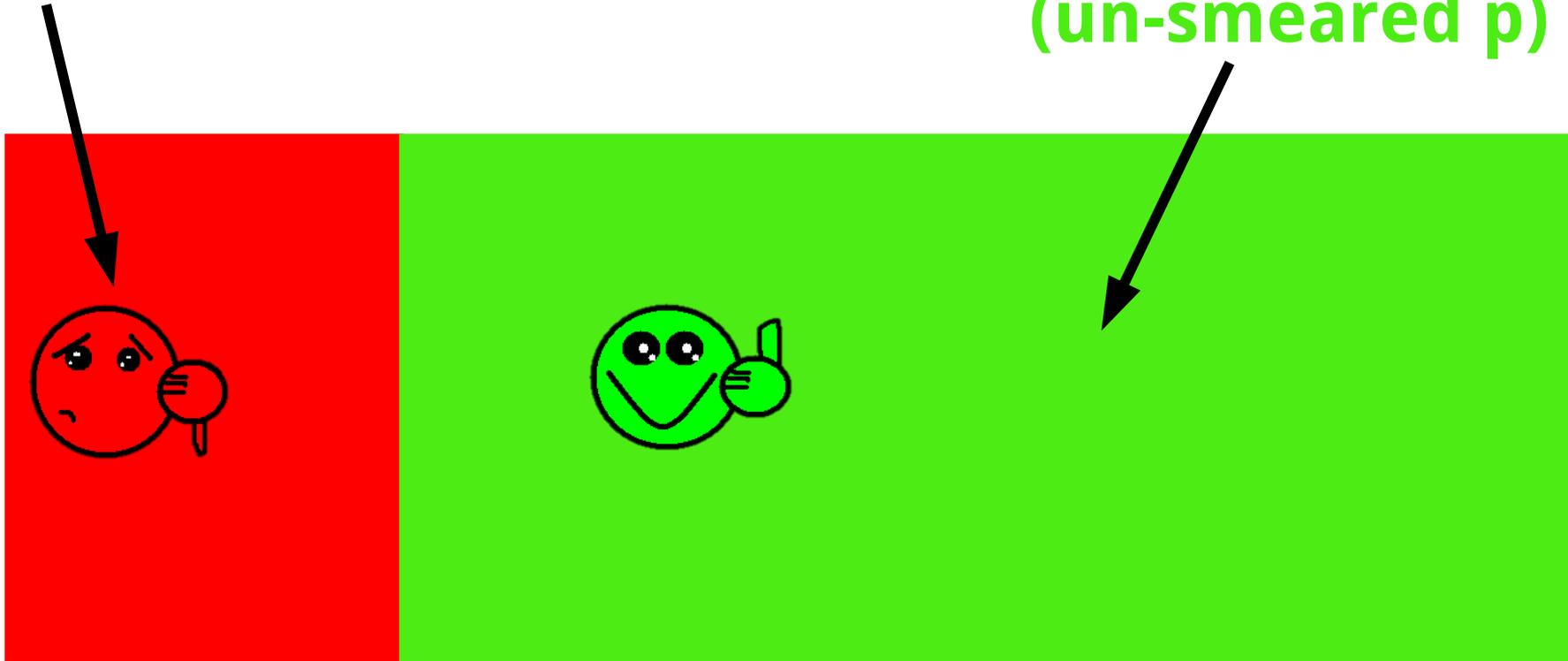


With cuts:  $-0.05 < y < 0.25$   $0.95 < \omega < 1.7 \text{ GeV}$   $\theta_{pq} < 8^\circ$

# False Positive & Negative probabilities

**bad event**

**good event  
(un-smearred p)**

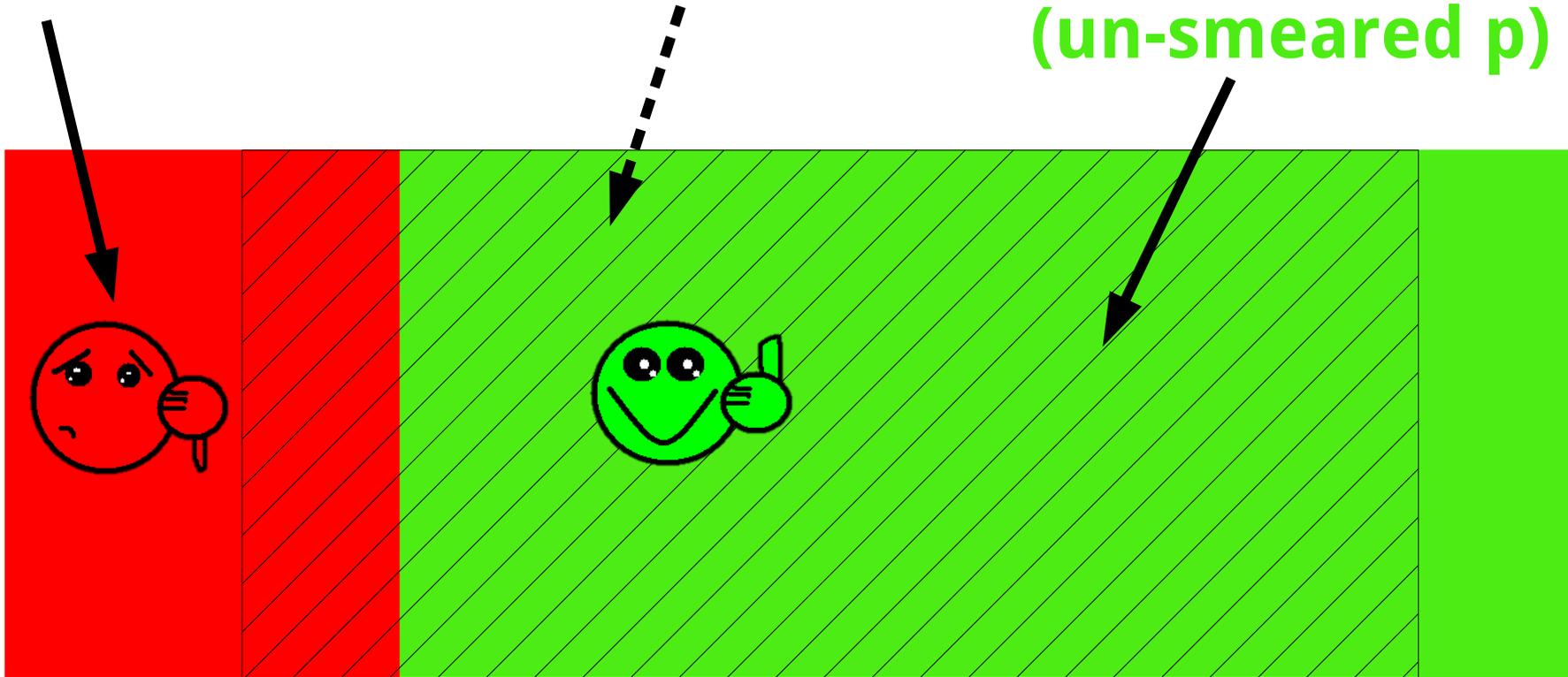


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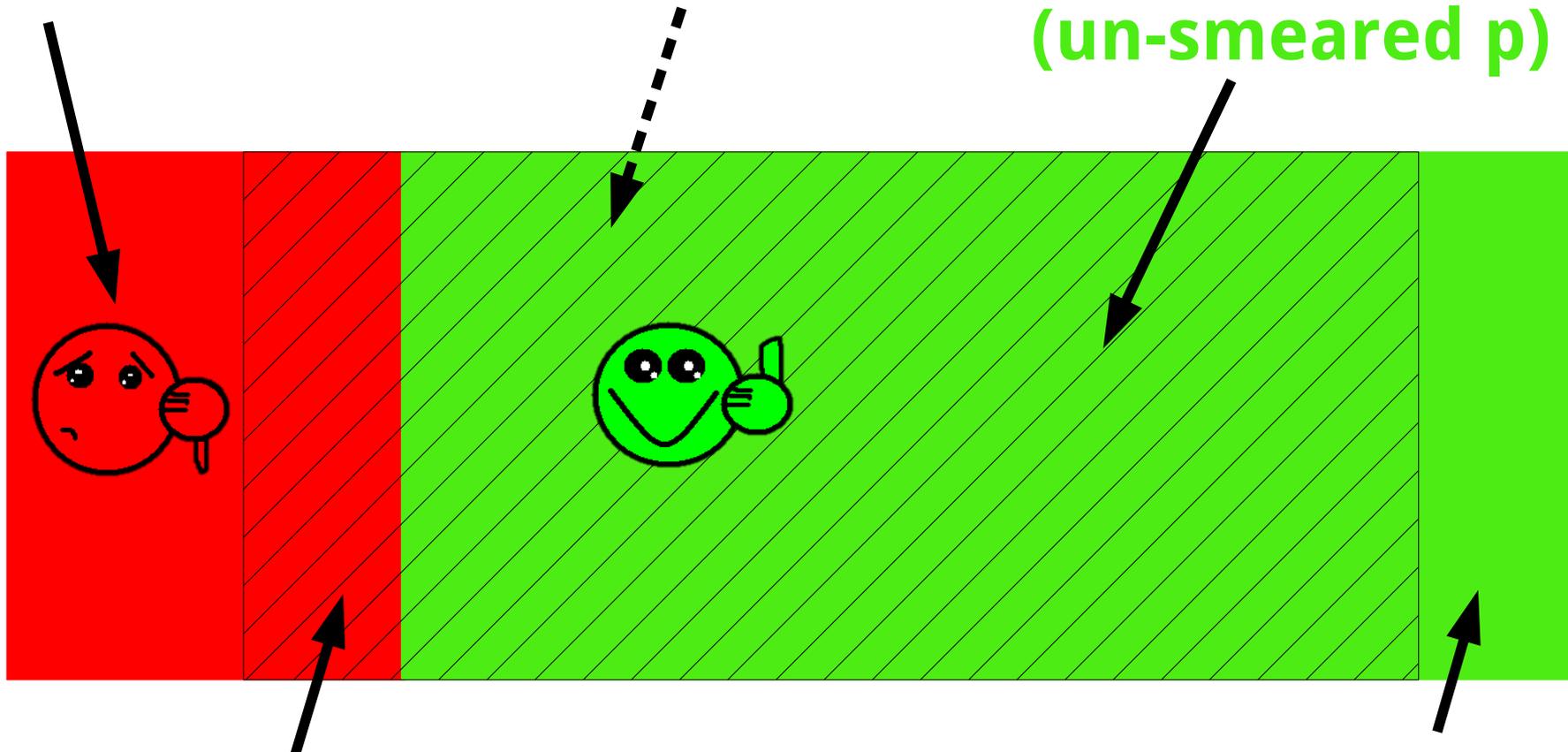


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**False positive**

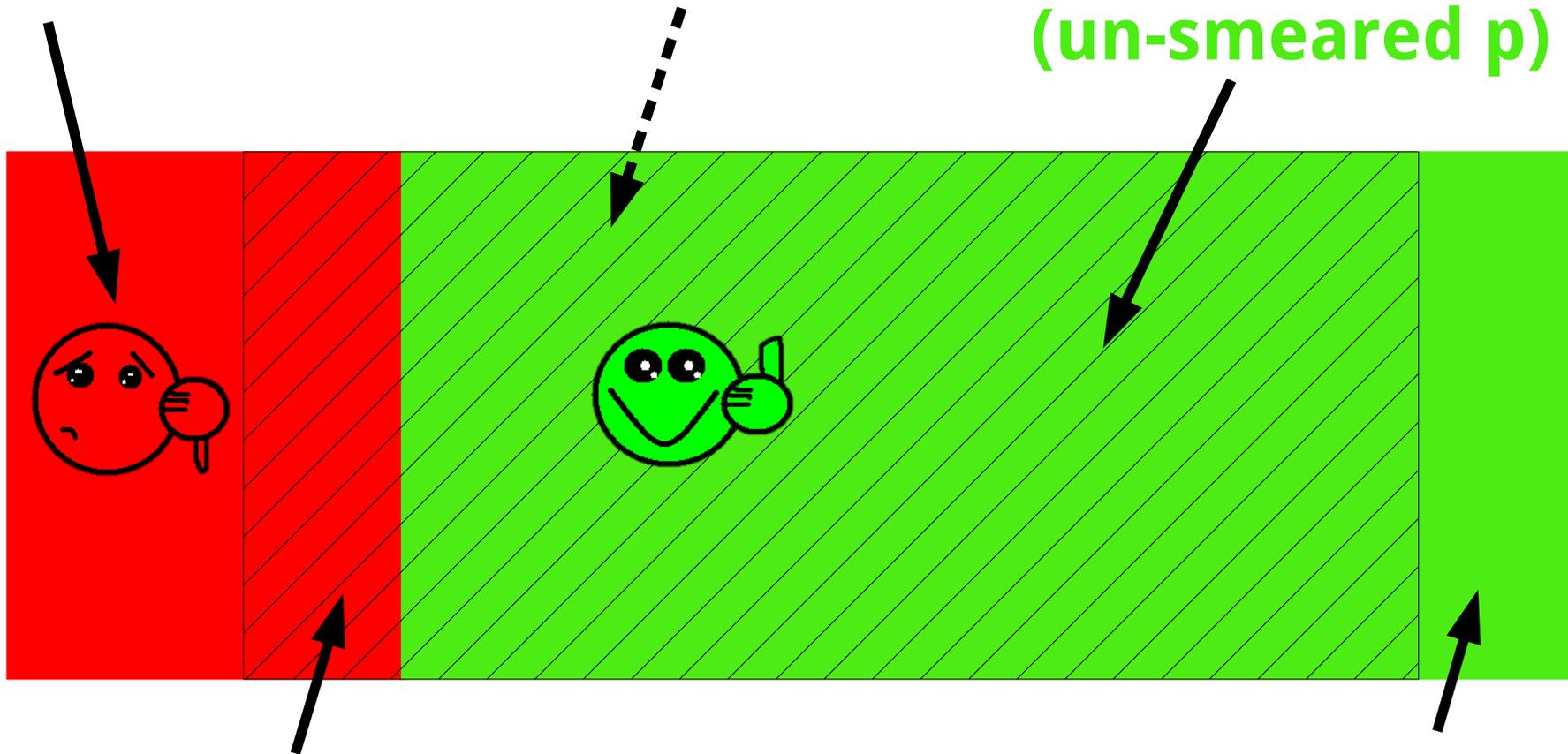
**False negative**

# False Positive & Negative probabilities

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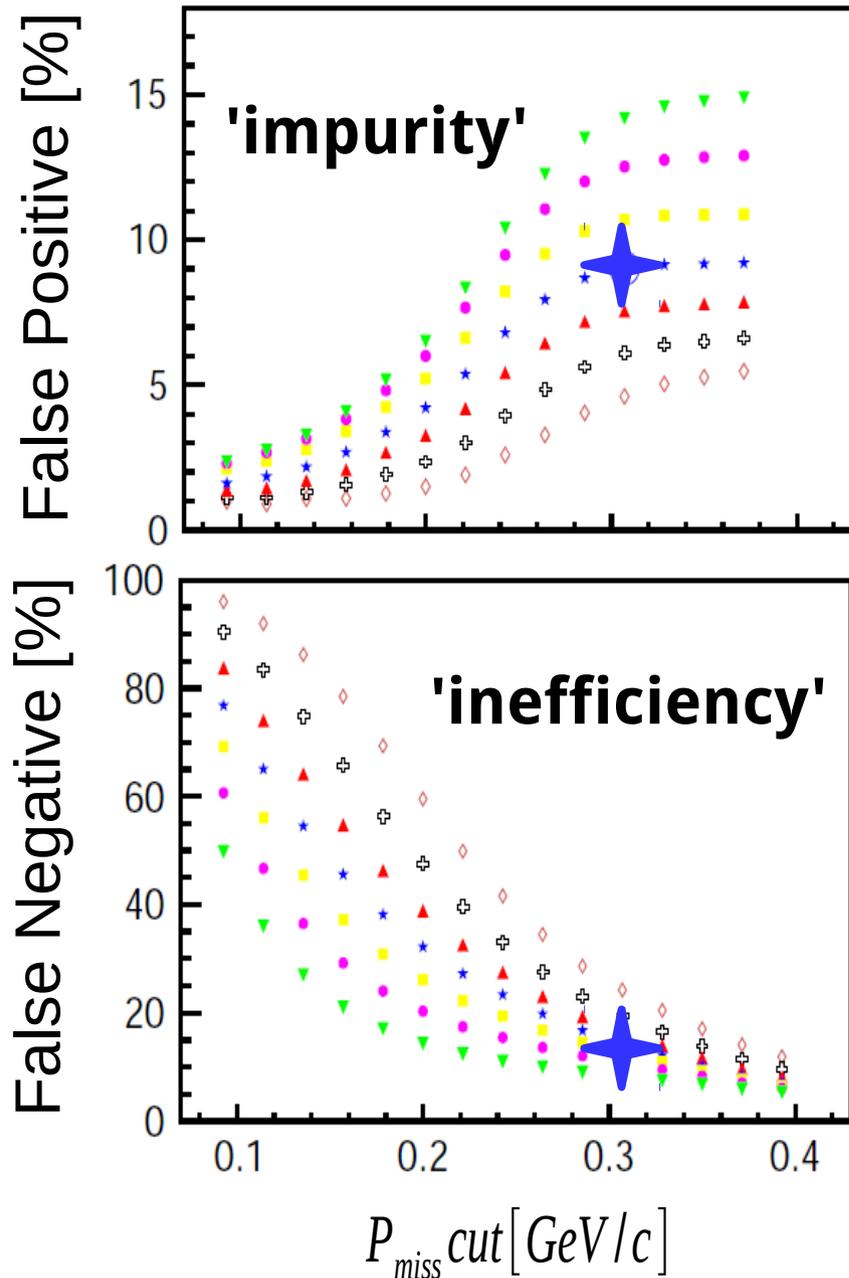


False positive

False negative

**Goal: Find cuts that minimize  
false positive & negative**

# False Positive & Negative probabilities



$E_{miss} < [GeV]$

- ◇ 0.04
- ⊕ 0.09
- ▲ 0.14
- ★ 0.19
- 0.24
- 0.29
- ▼ 0.34

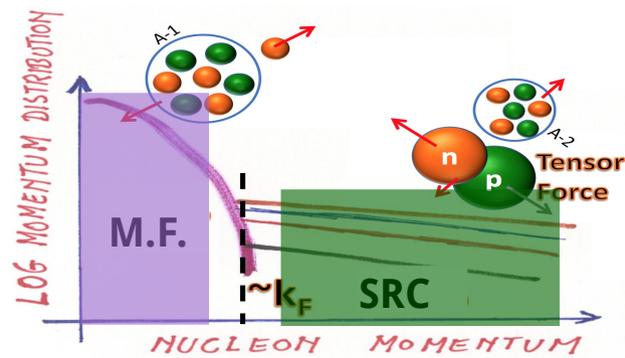
**smearred p/n cuts:**

$$P_{miss} < 0.3 GeV/c, E_{miss} < 0.19 GeV$$

**un-smearred p cuts:**

$$P_{miss} < 0.25 GeV/c, E_{miss} < 0.08 GeV$$

*False Positive  $\simeq$  False Negative  $\simeq$  10 %*



# High-momentum QE events

(Same procedure as M.F.)

The selected cuts:

$$x_B > 1.1$$

$$0.62 < \vec{p} / \vec{q} < 1.1$$

$$\theta_{pq} < 25^\circ$$

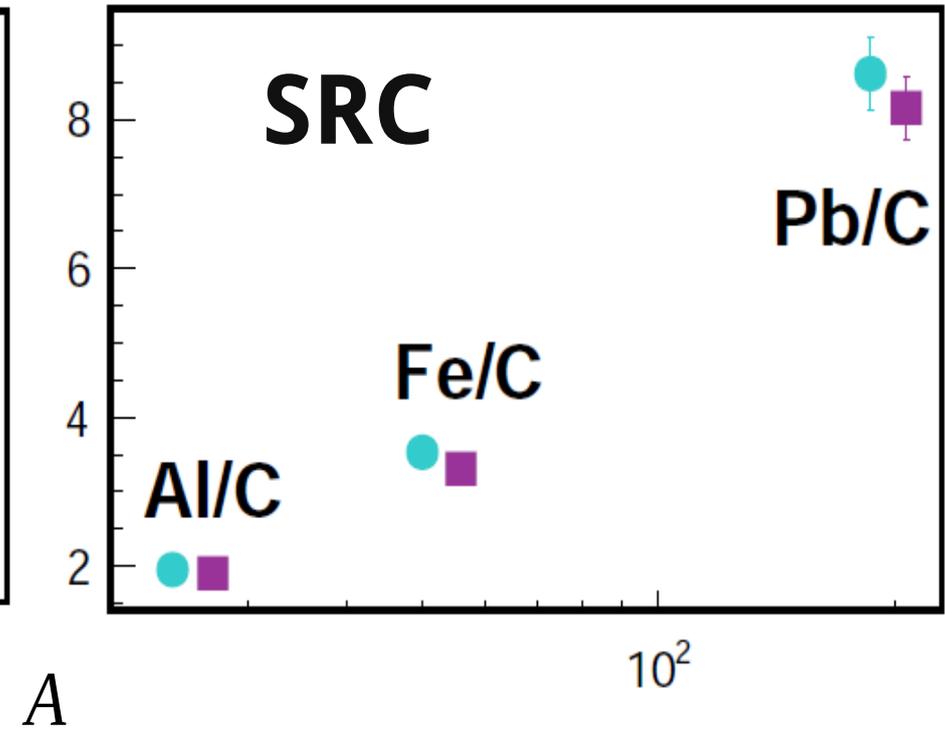
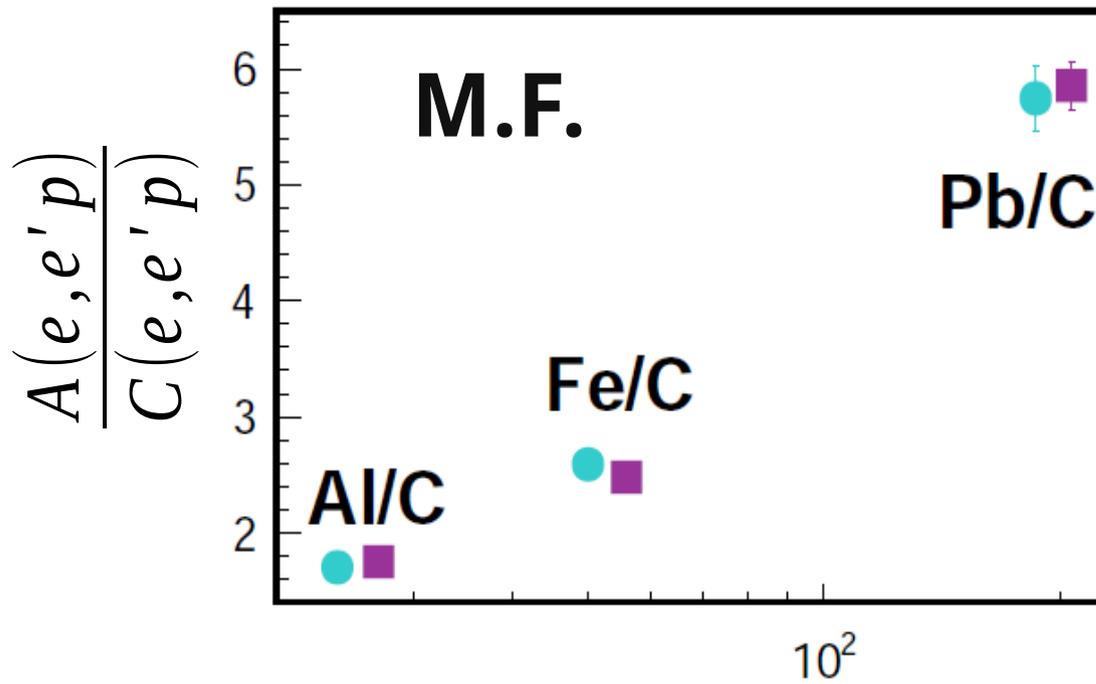
$$0.4 < P_{miss} < 1 \text{ GeV}/c$$

$$M_{miss} < 1.175 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

# Compare smeared & un-smeared protons

smeared protons

un-smeared protons

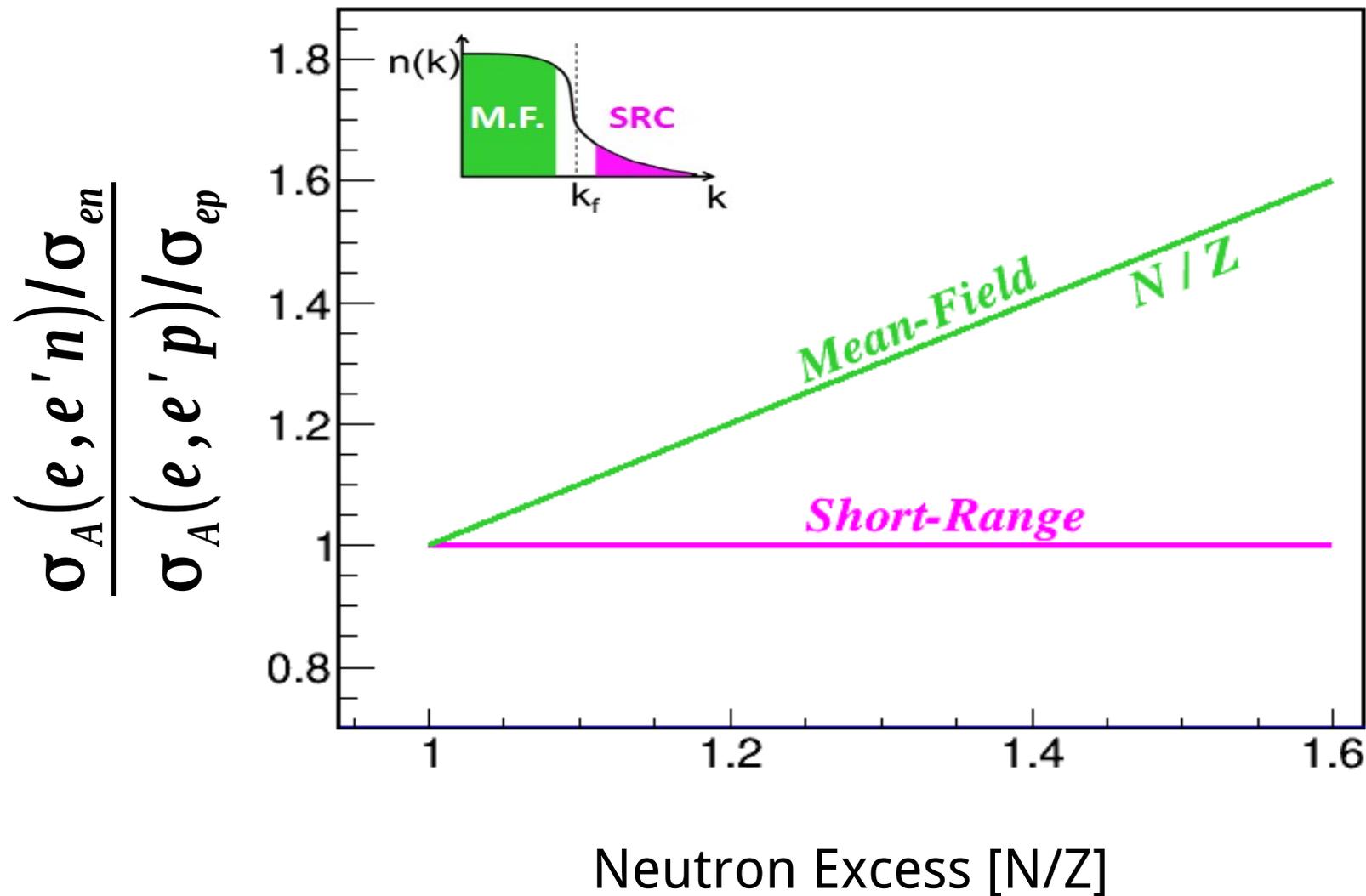


Next step:

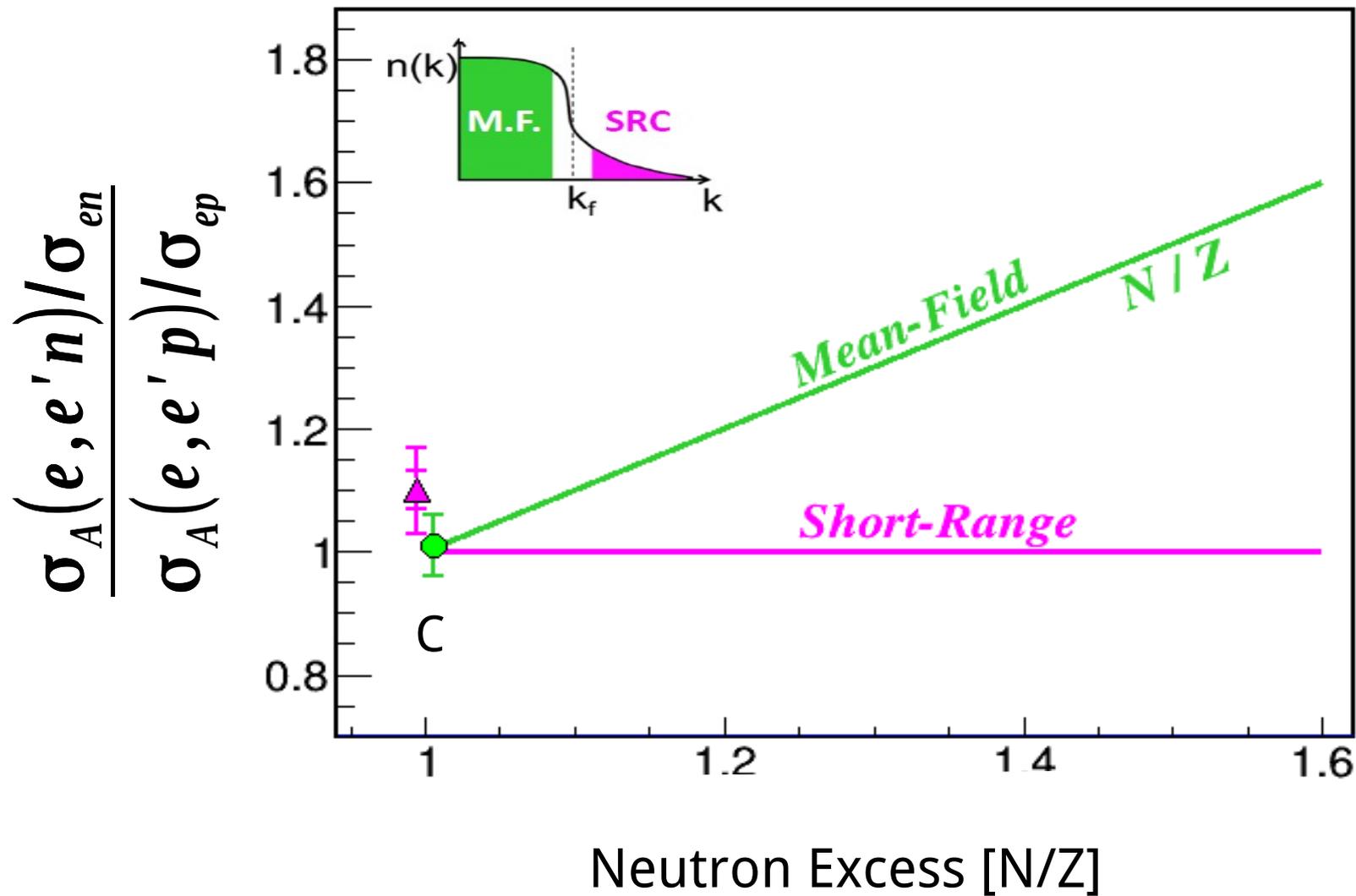
Blind analysis for neutrons



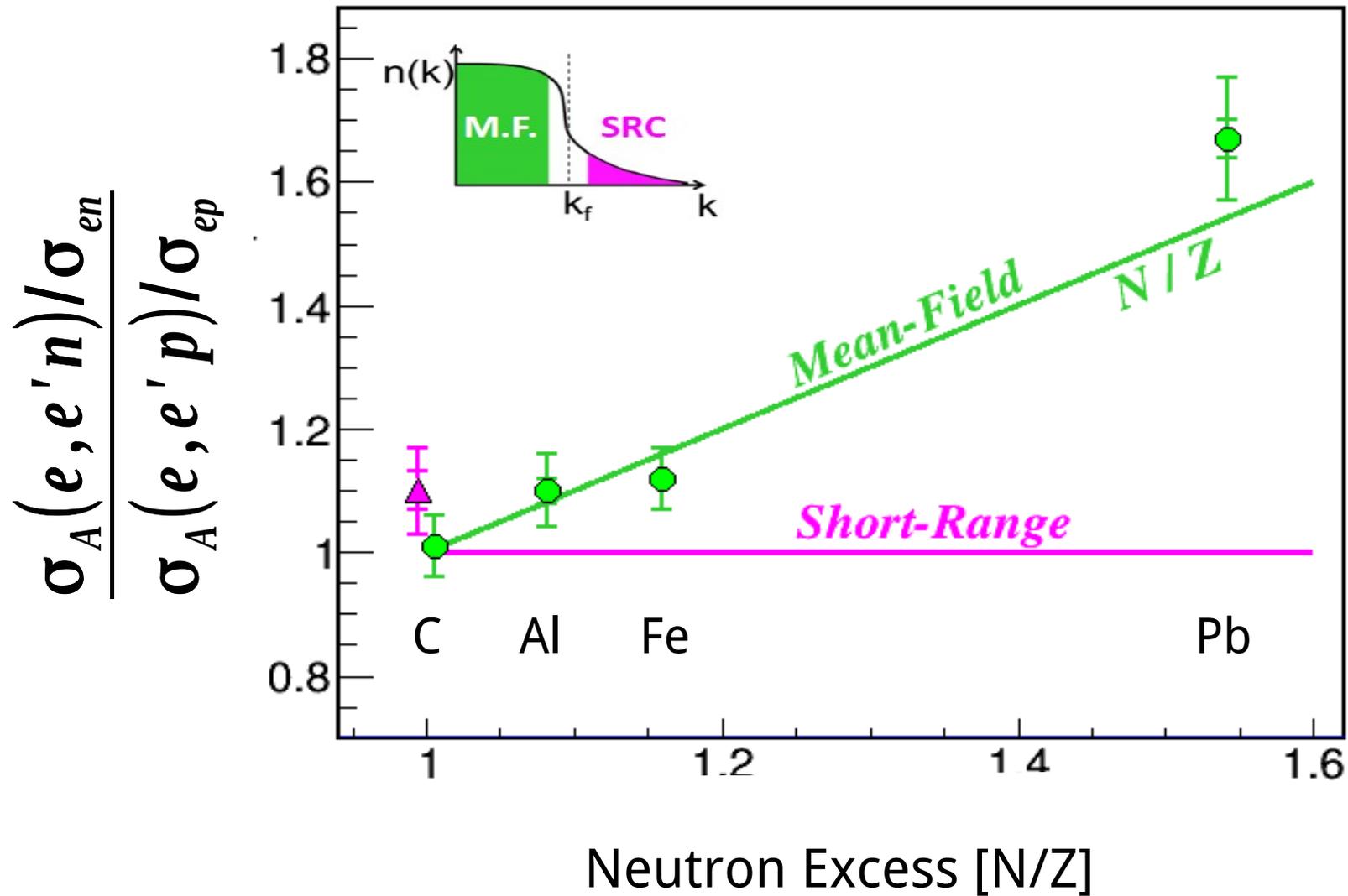
# $A(e,e'n)/A(e,e'p)$ ratios



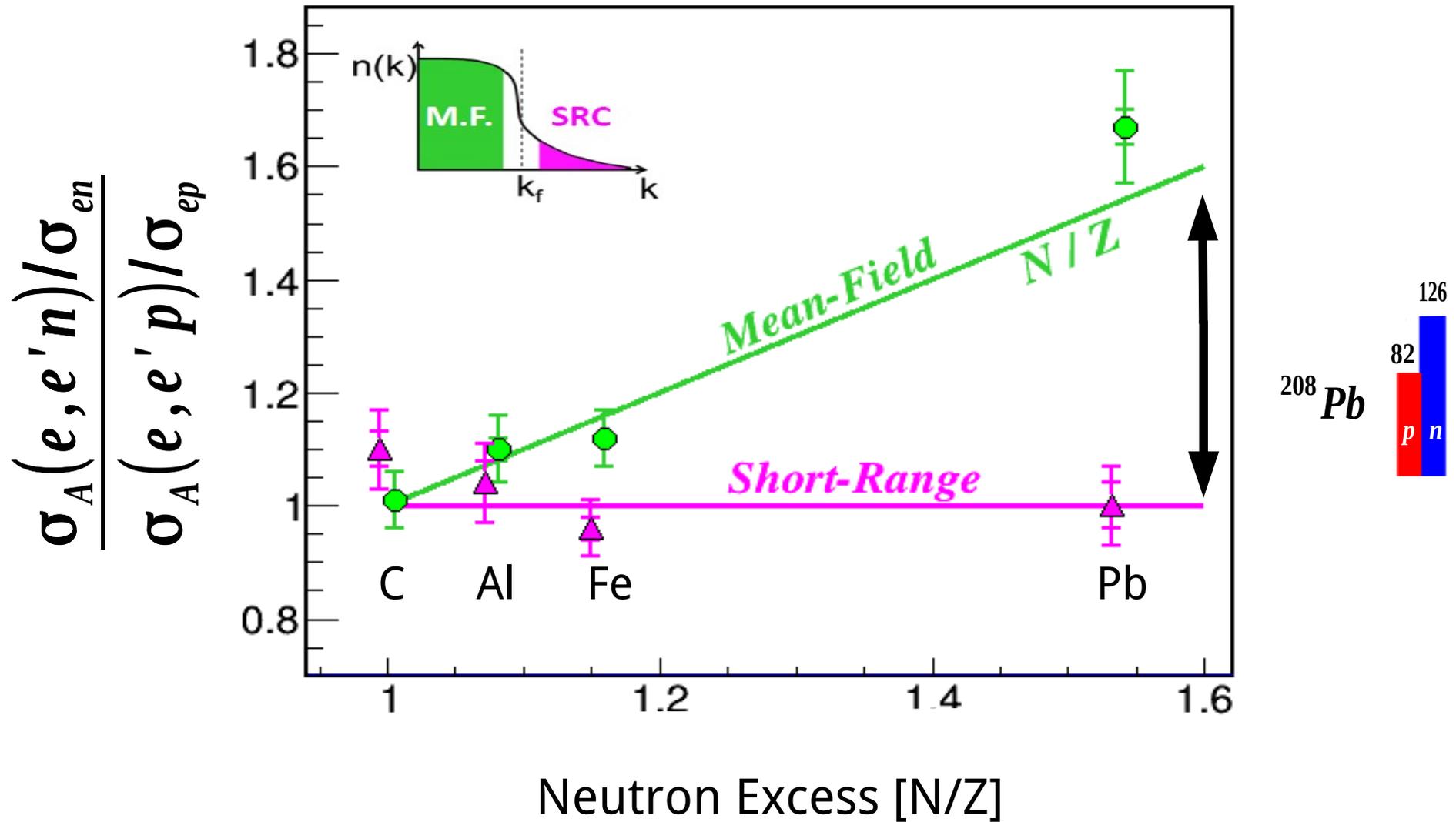
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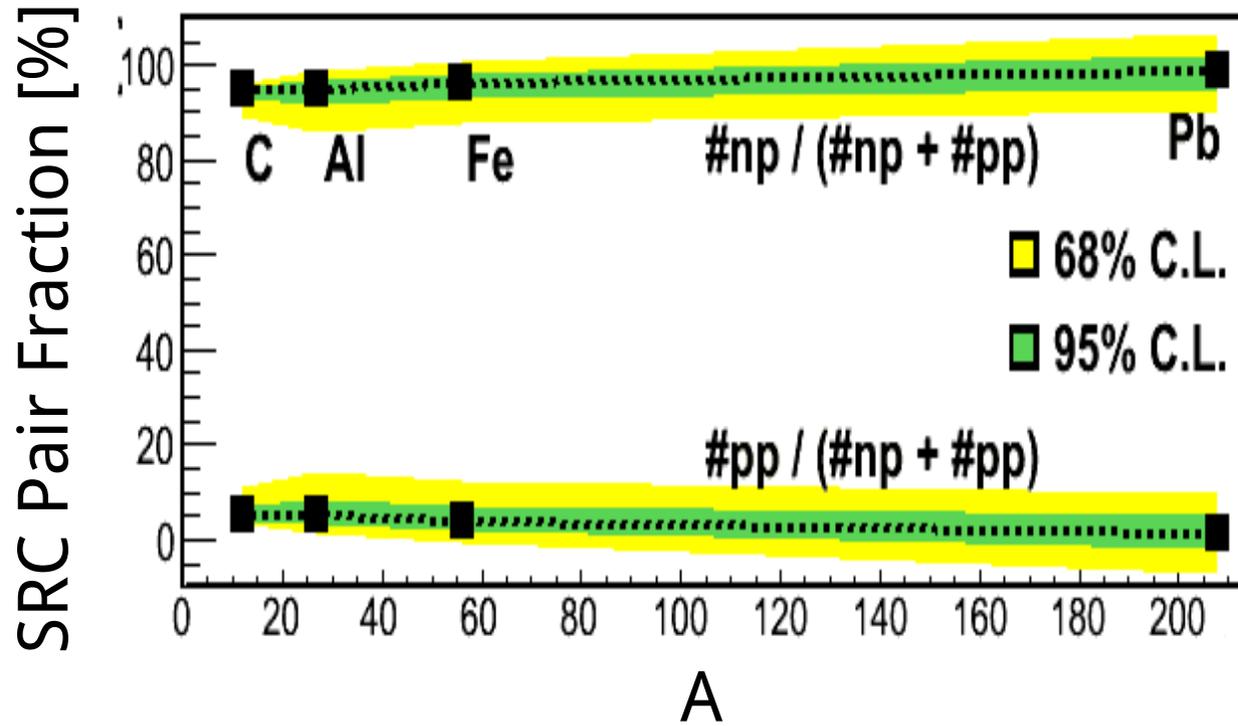
# $A(e,e'n)/A(e,e'p)$ ratios



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# np-dominance in 2N-SRC



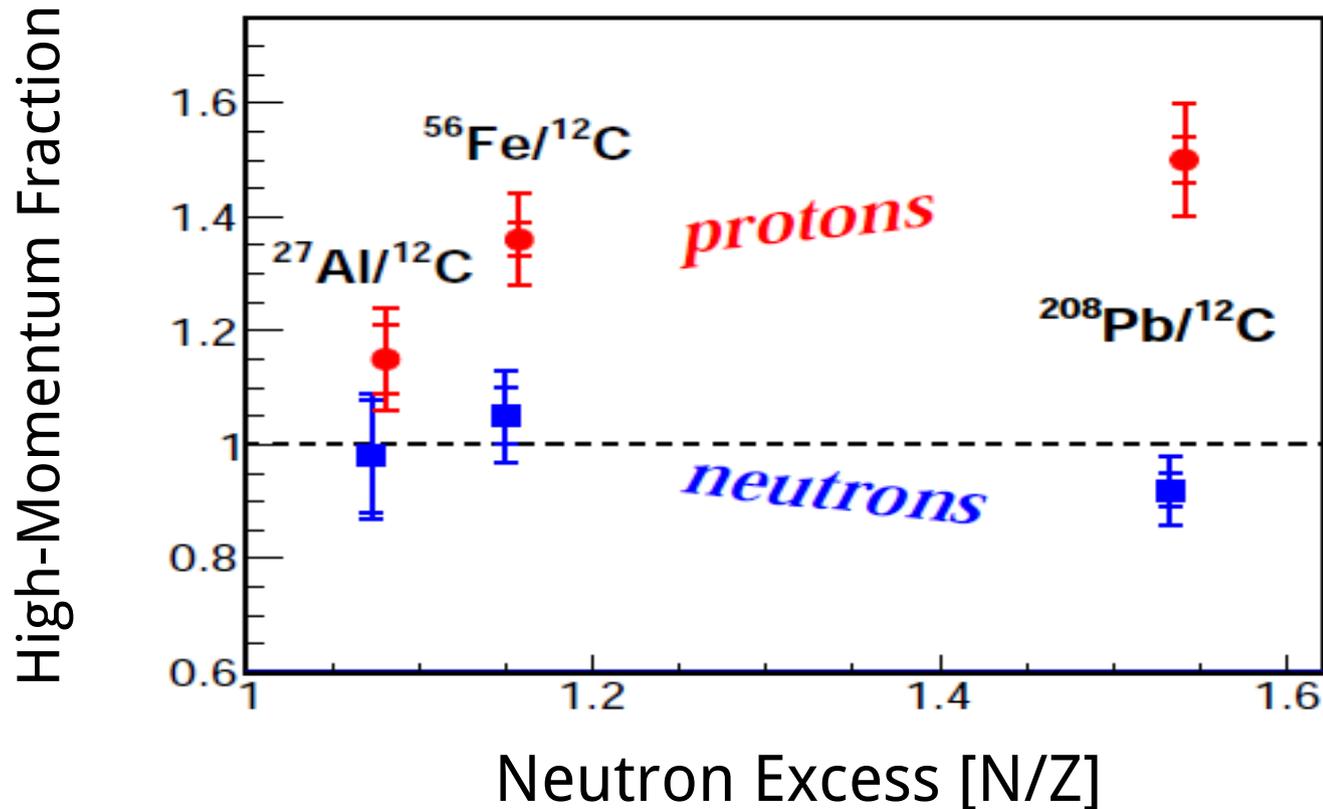
O. Hen et al., Science 346, 614 (2014)

np fractions extracted from (e,e'p) & (e,e'pp) events

**No neutrons detection**

# Protons and neutrons super ratios

$$\frac{A(e, e' N)_{high} / A(e, e' N)_{low}}{^{12}\text{C}(e, e' N)_{high} / ^{12}\text{C}(e, e' N)_{low}}$$



**More Neutrons => More Correlated Protons**

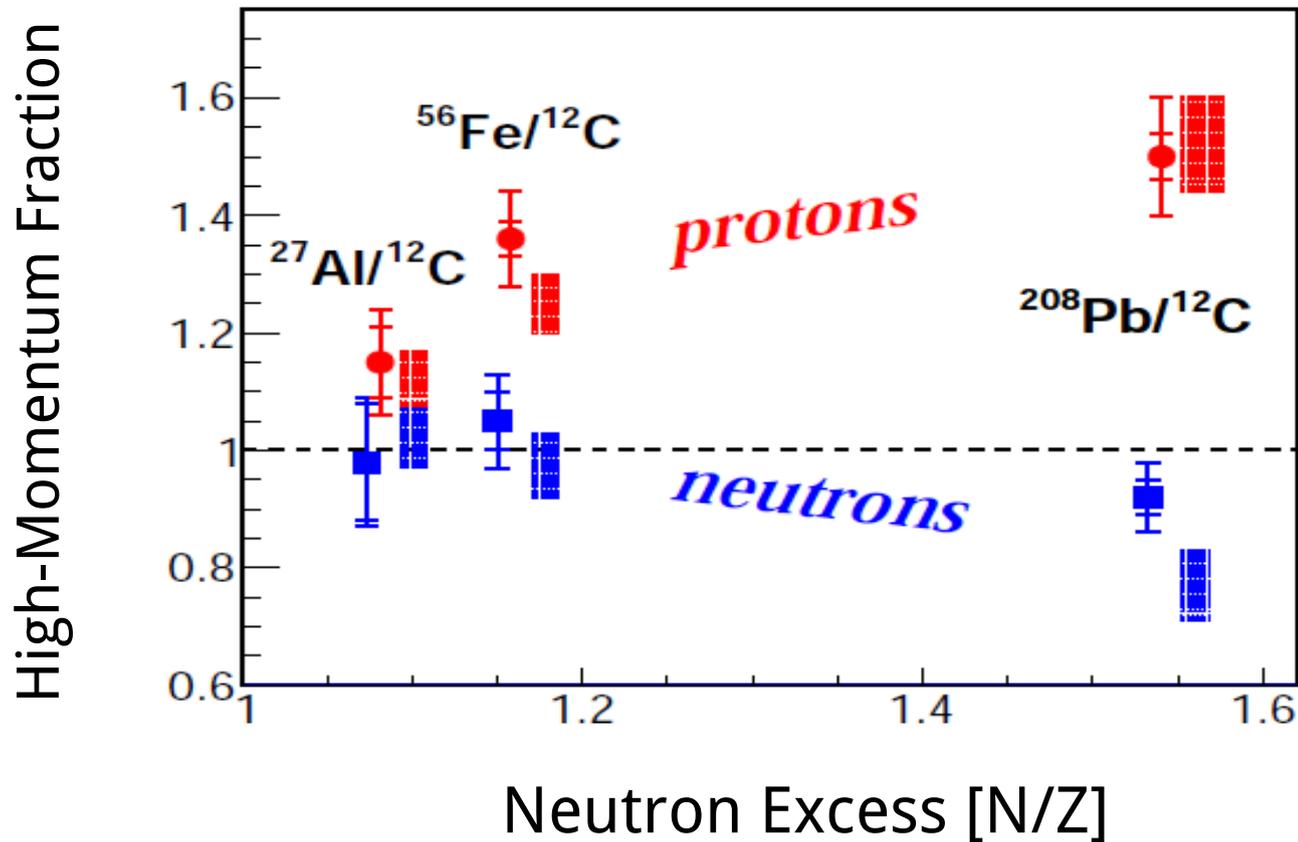
# “Building” nuclei from C to Pb

Adding more **neutrons** increases the fraction of high momentum (correlated) **protons**.



# Protons and neutrons super ratios

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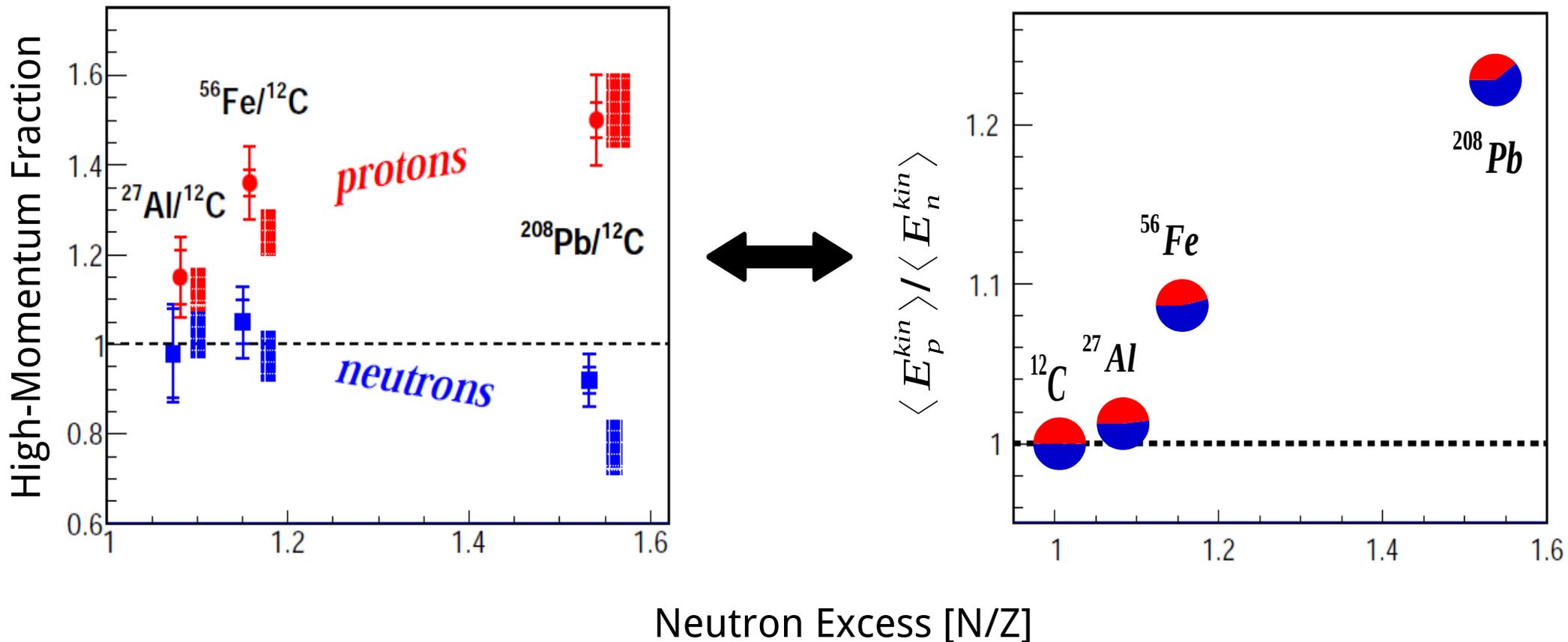


**Our simple model works**

Duer et al., Nature, accepted for publication

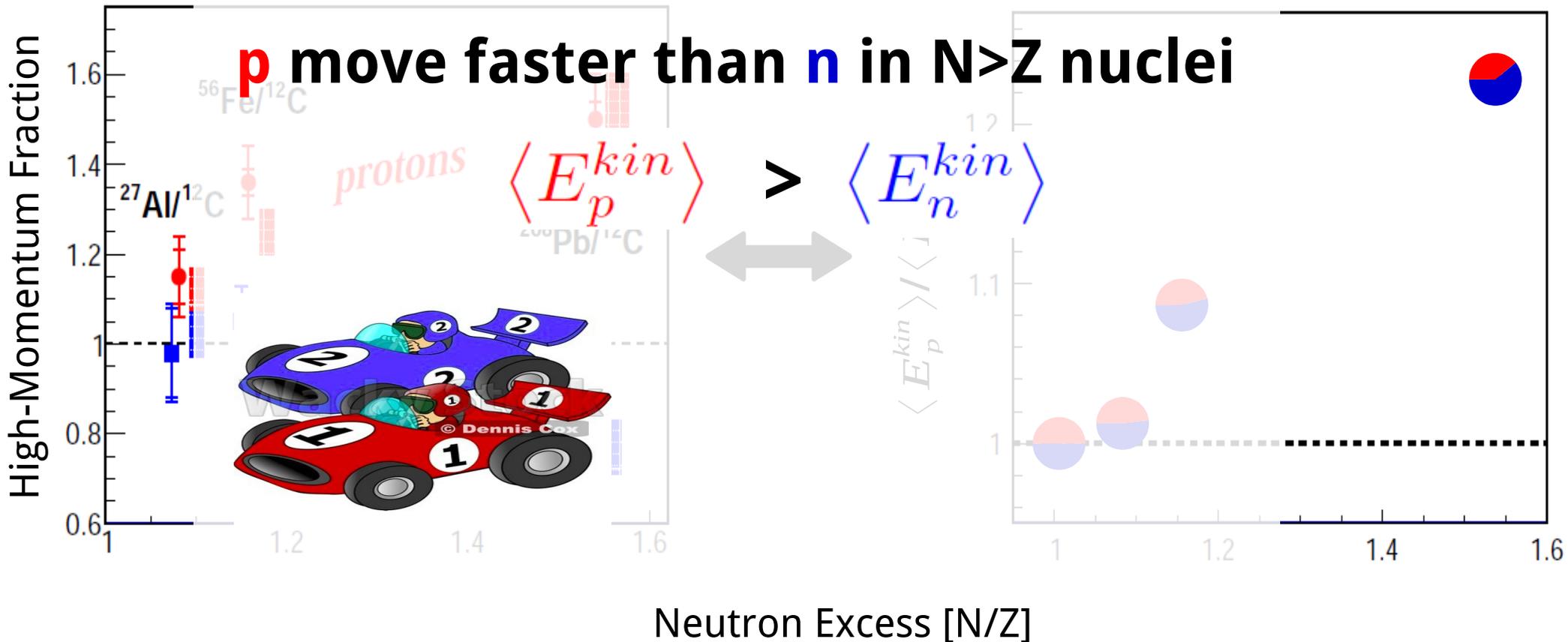
# Kinetic Energy Sharing

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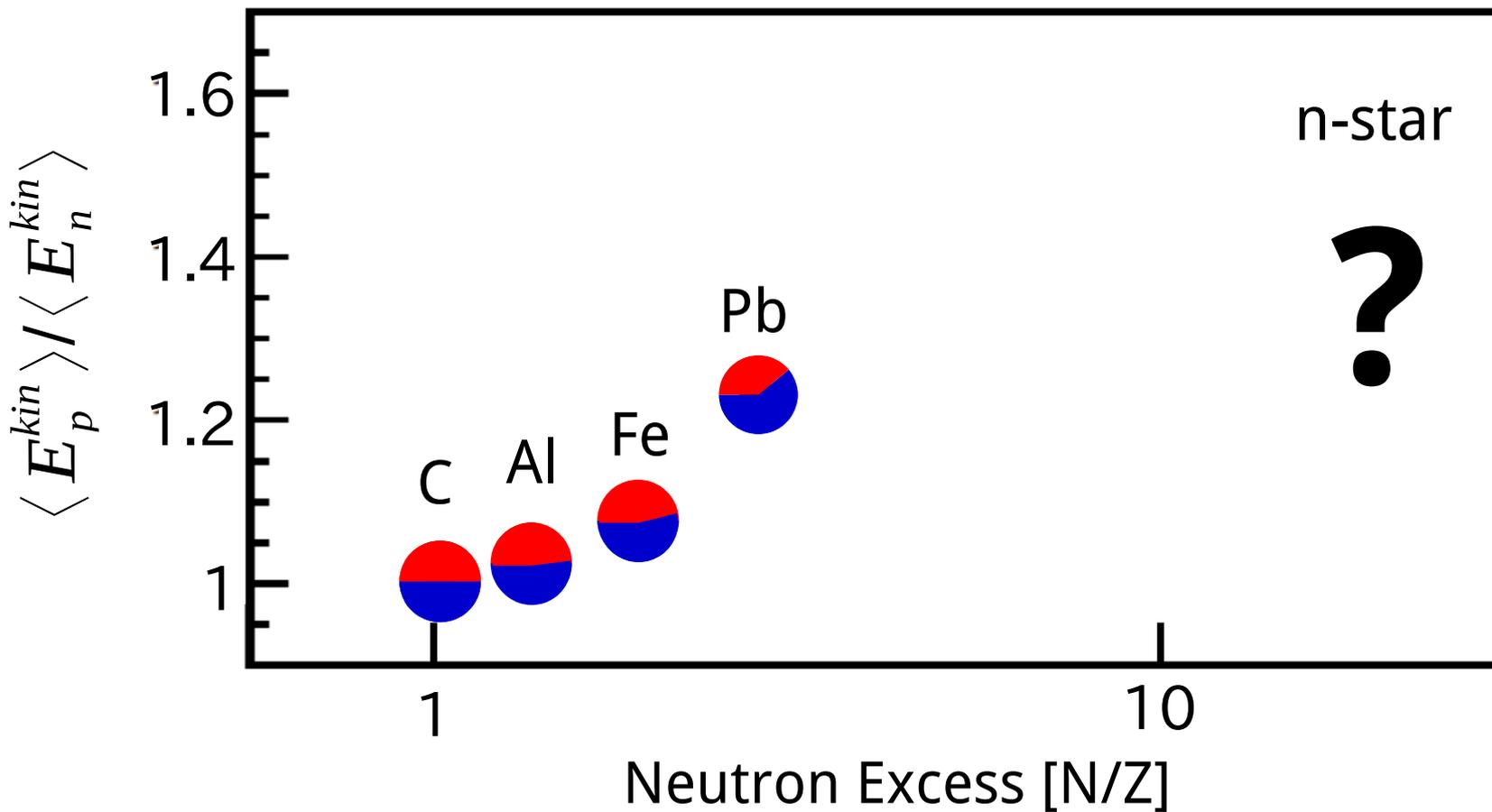
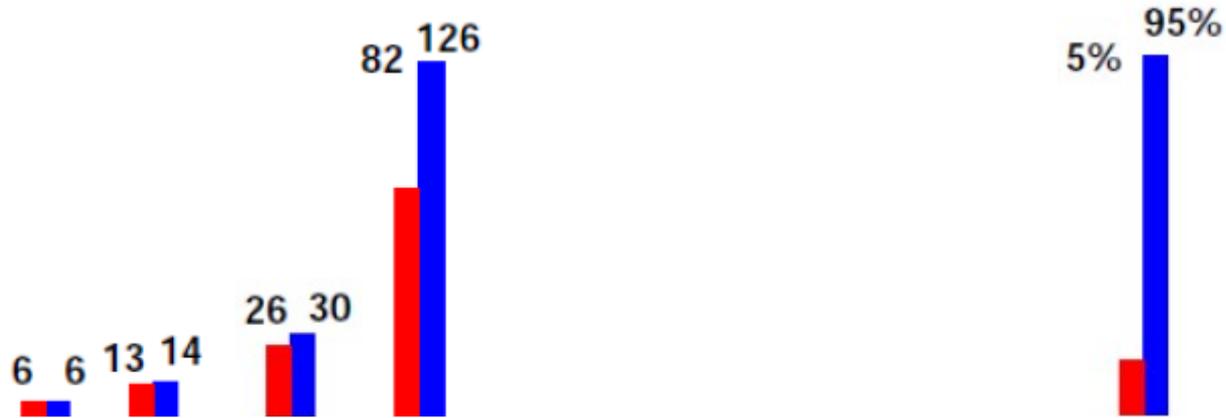


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# What happens in $N \gg Z$ ?



# Detecting neutrons in CLAS

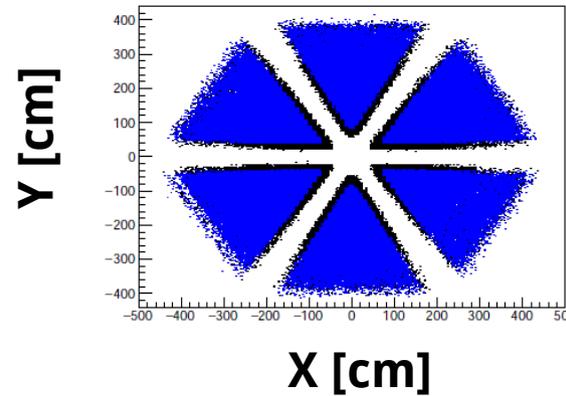
$$8^\circ \leq \theta \leq 45^\circ$$

\* No signals from Drift-Chambers & Time-Of-Flight Counters

\* Hit inside the EC fiducial cut



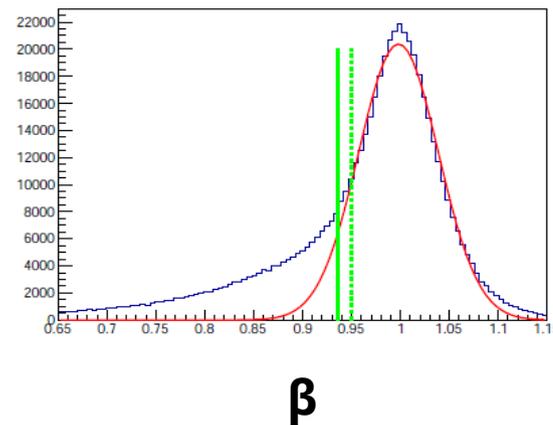
Neutral particle



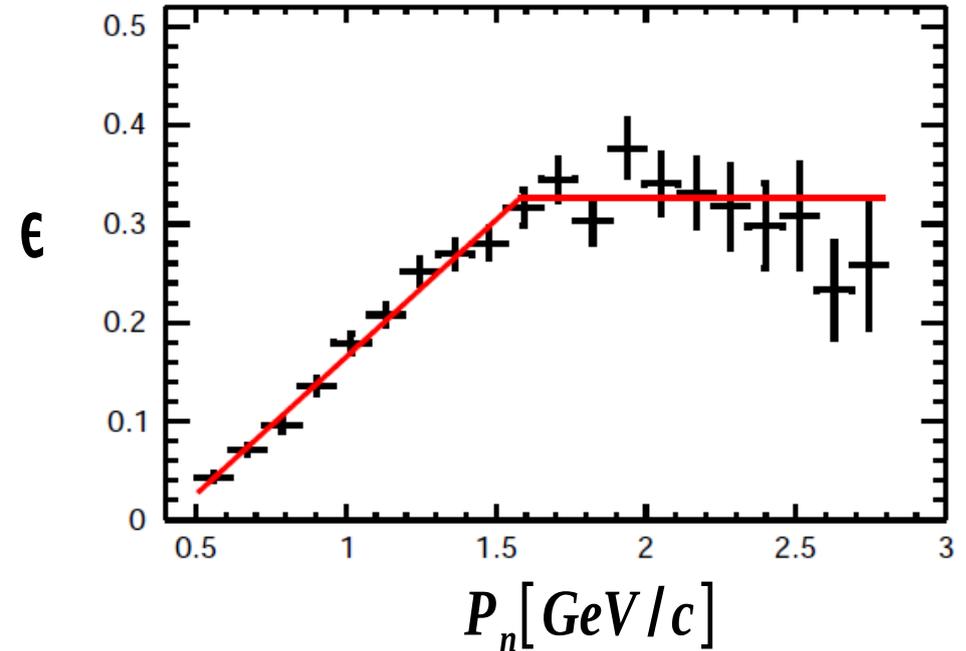
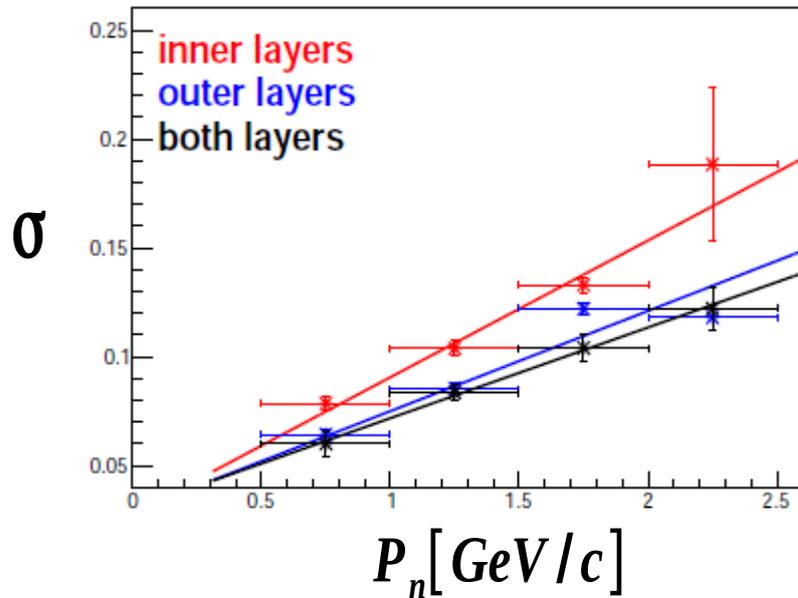
\* n/γ separation:  $\beta < 0.95$  ( $\beta < 0.936$ )



Neutron



# Neutron resolution & detection efficiency



$$\epsilon = \frac{d(e, e' p \pi^+ \pi^- n)}{d(e, e' p \pi^+ \pi^-) n}$$

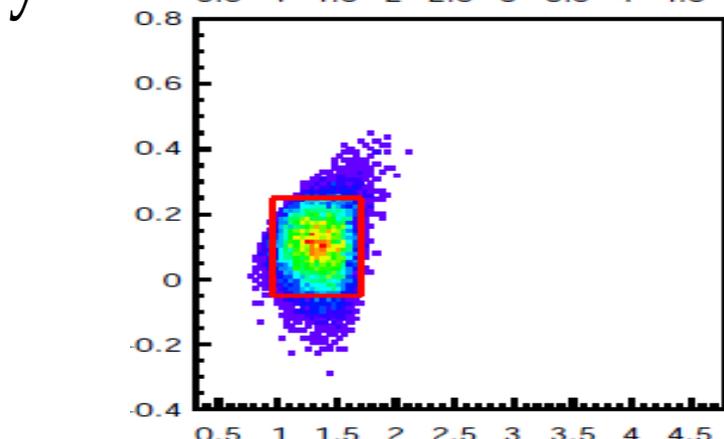
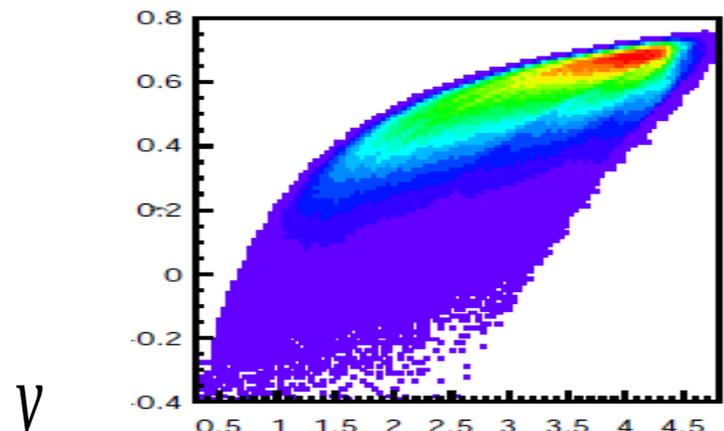
Using an exclusive reaction  $d(e, e' p \pi^+ \pi^- n)$



# Solution I

Using electron & nucleon angular cuts

Protons QE cuts:  $P_{\text{miss}} < 0.25 \text{ GeV}/c$   $E_{\text{emiss}} < 0.08 \text{ GeV}$



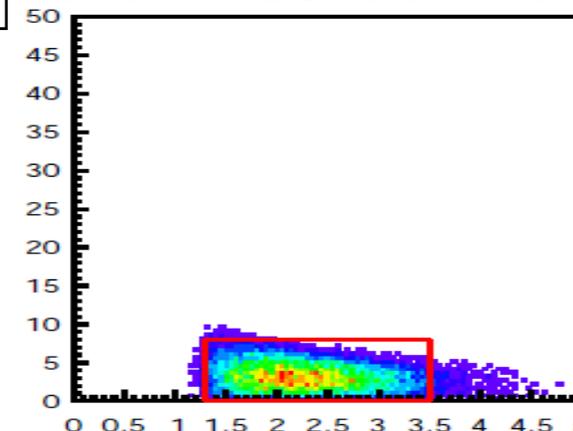
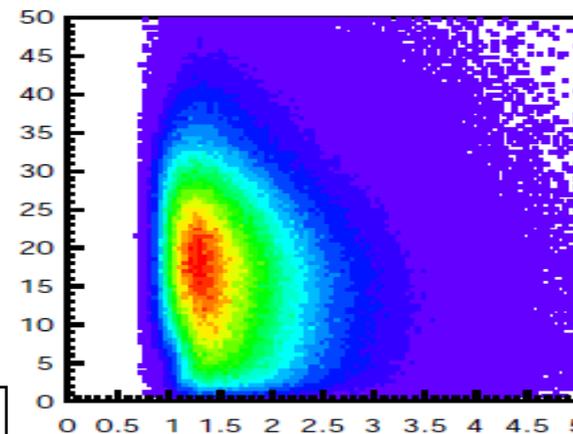
$\omega [GeV]$

$$-0.05 < y < 0.25$$

Before the  
QE cuts

After the  
QE cuts

$\theta_{pq} [deg.]$



$Q^2 [GeV^2/c^2]$

$$\theta_{pq} < 8^\circ$$

$$0.95 < \omega < 1.7 \text{ GeV}$$

$$y \equiv [(M_A + \omega)^2 \sqrt{\lambda^2 - M_{A-1}^2} - W^2 - |\vec{q}| \lambda] / W^2$$

$$W = \sqrt{(M_A + \omega)^2 - |\vec{q}|^2}$$

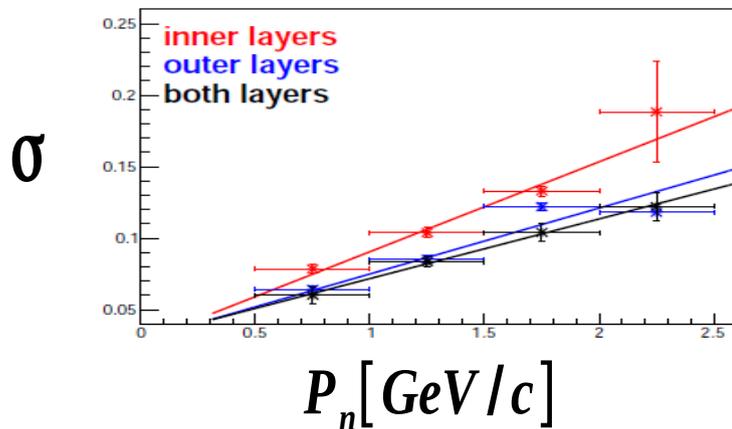
$$\lambda = (M_{A-1}^2 - M_N^2 + \omega^2) / 2$$



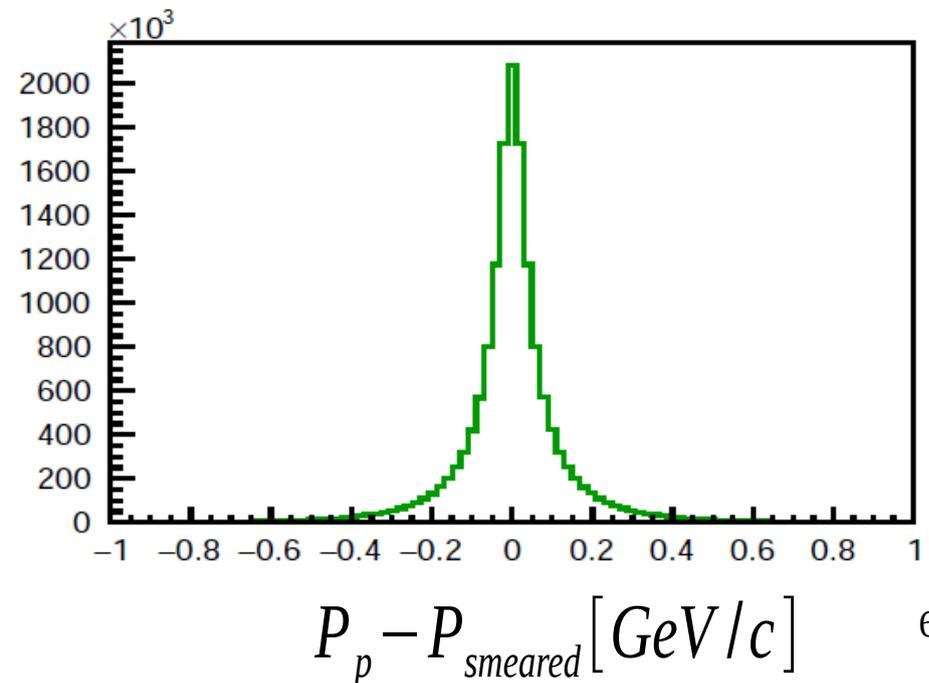
# Solution II

Using smeared protons to:

- \* Define and test the cuts
- \* Study bin migration



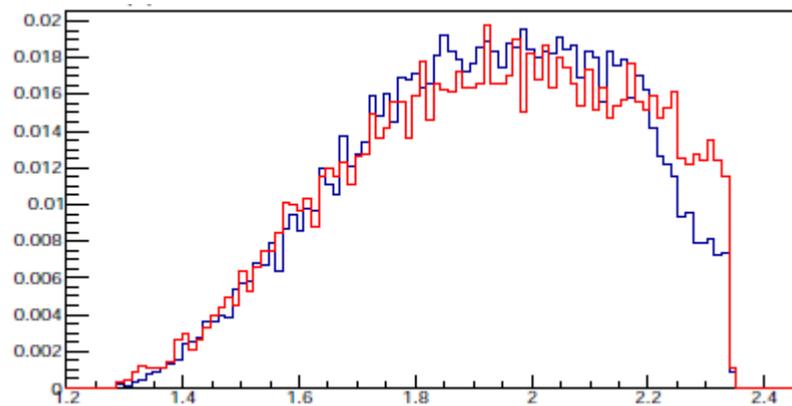
$$P_p \rightarrow P_{\text{smeared}} = \sum \text{Gauss}(P_p, \sigma)$$



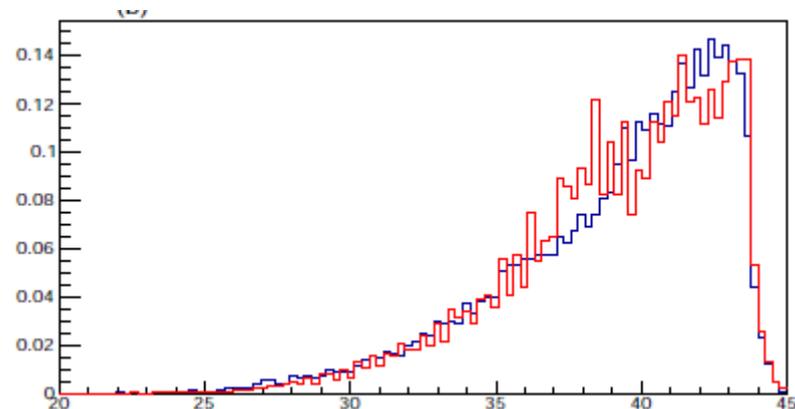
# Comparing the smeared protons and neutrons

smeared protons

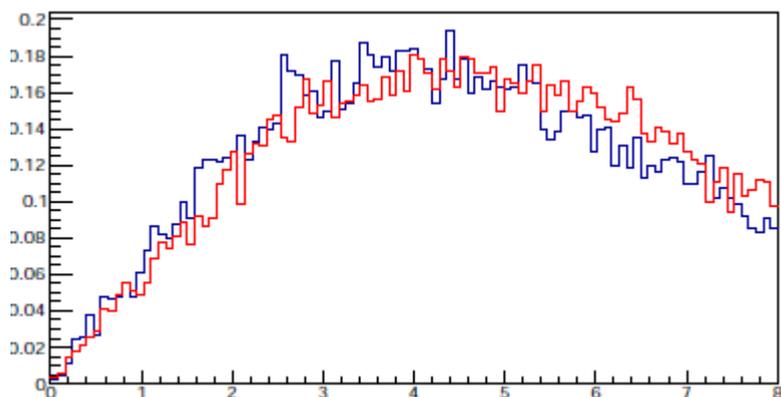
neutrons



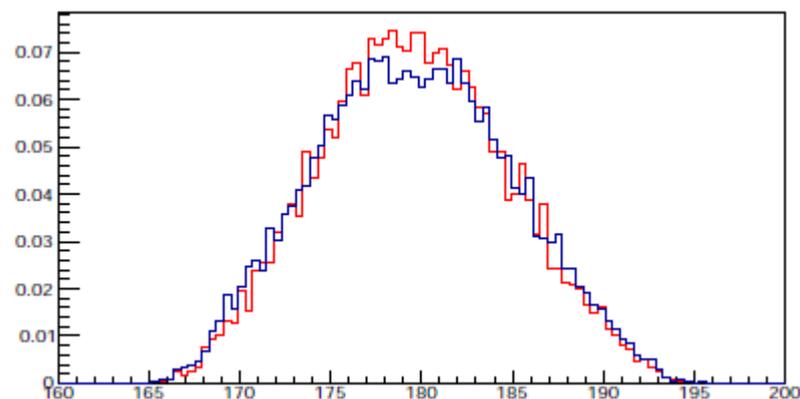
$P_{p/n} [GeV/c]$



$\theta_{p/n} [deg.]$



$\theta_{pq/nq} [deg.]$



$|\varphi_{p/n} - \varphi_e| [deg.]$

# Applying corrections

## protons

- \* Coulomb correction
- \* Detection efficiency
- \* Acceptance correction

## neutrons

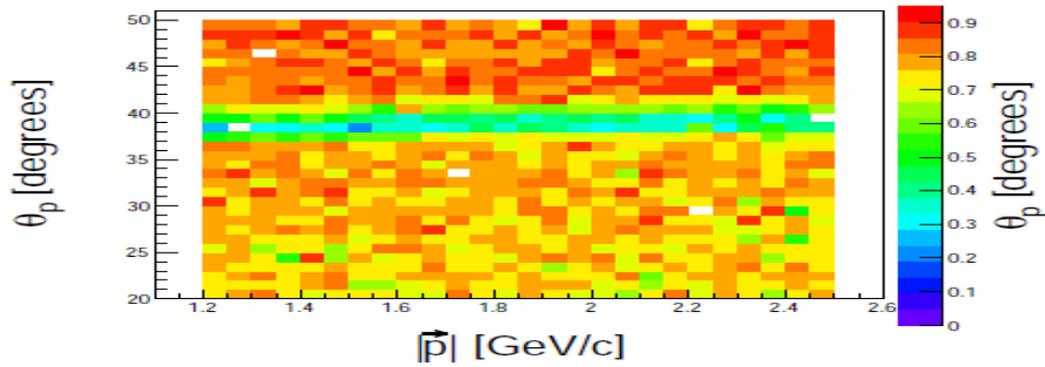
- \* Detection efficiency
- \* Acceptance correction

# Protons simulation

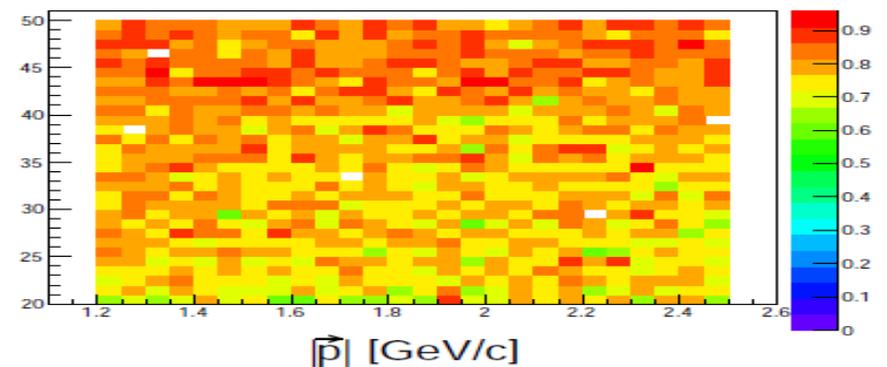
- \* 10,000 electrons from the data.
- \* Proton momentum & scattering angle uniformly distributed.
- \*  $100^\circ$  angle uniformly distributed.
- \* Running through CLAS MC simulation.
- \* Dividing event by event by the ratio of reconstructed/generated.

# Protons simulation - results

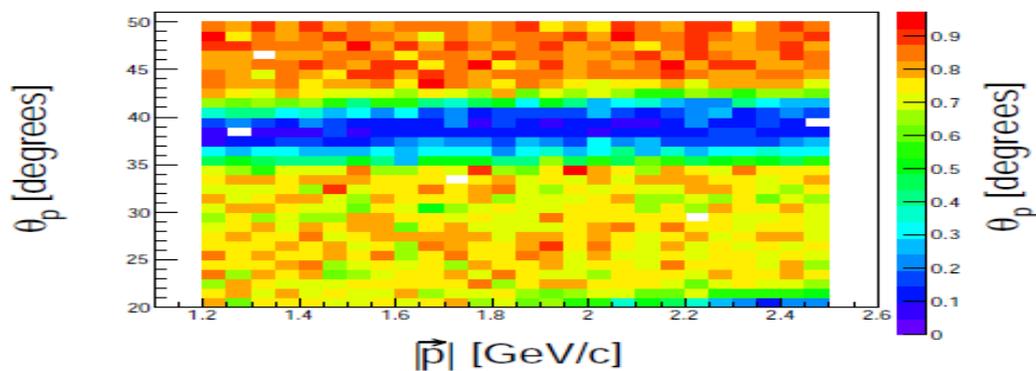
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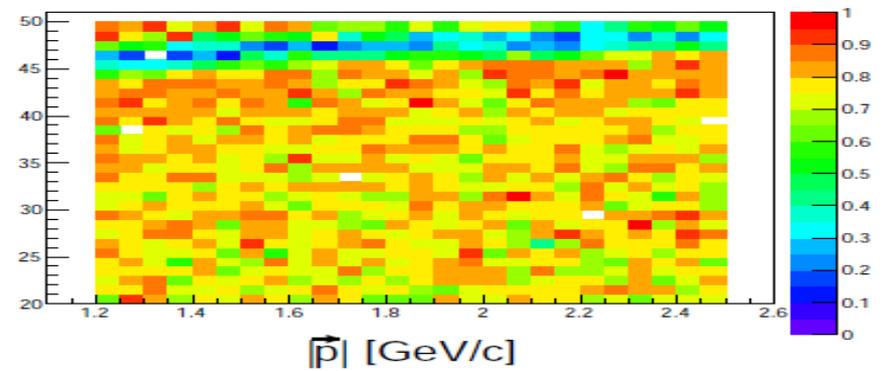
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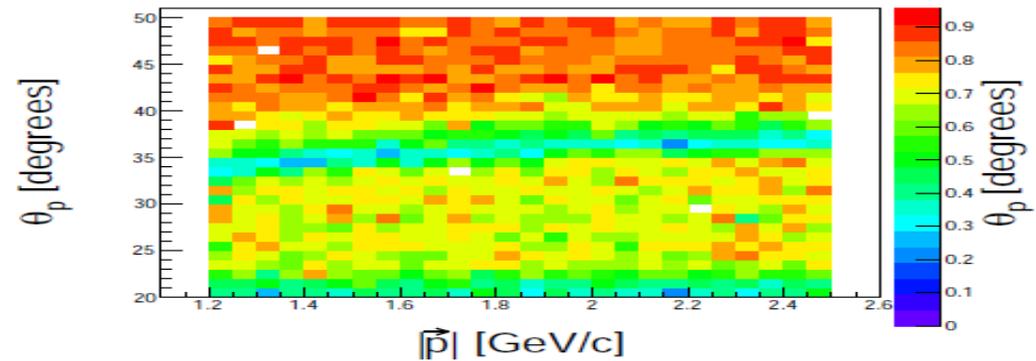
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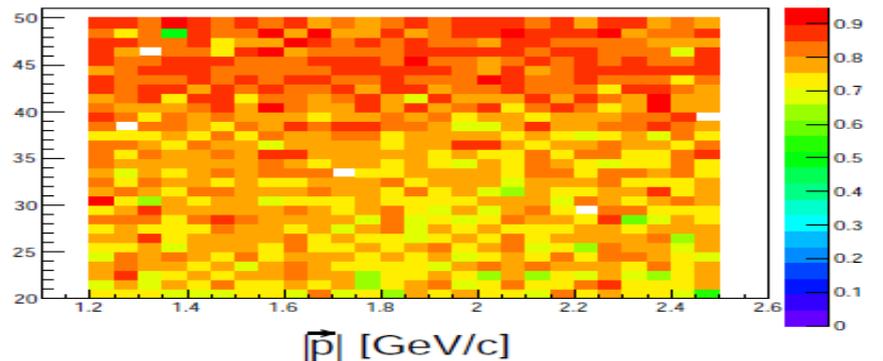
## Sector #4



## Sector #5



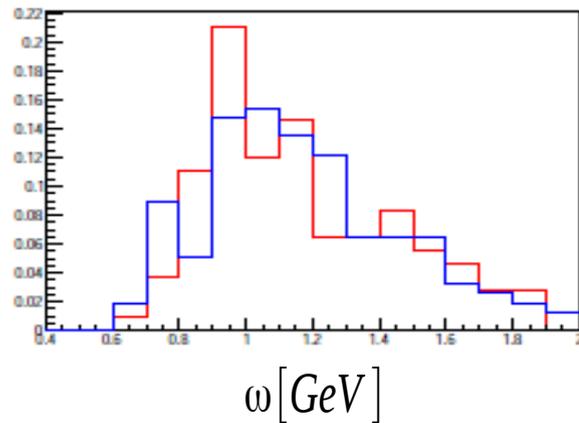
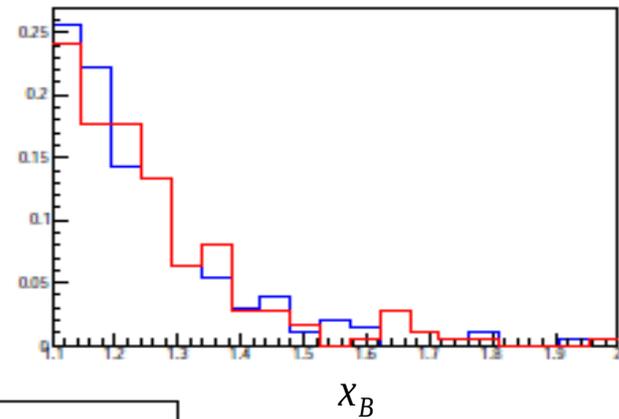
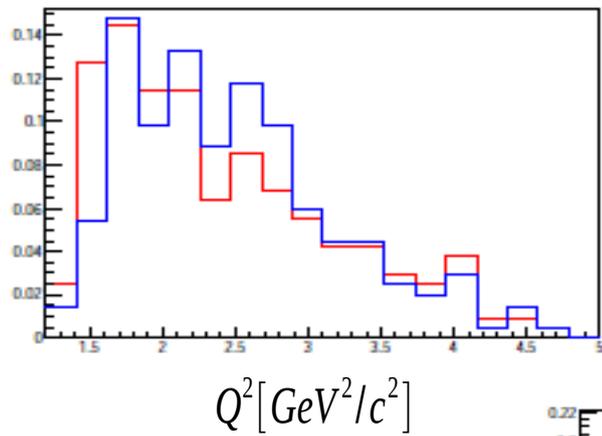
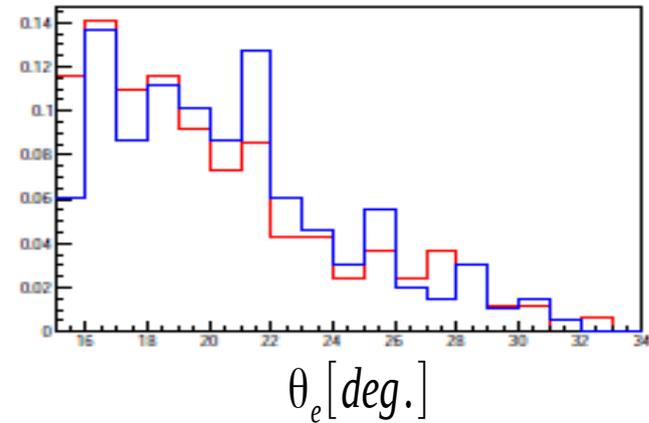
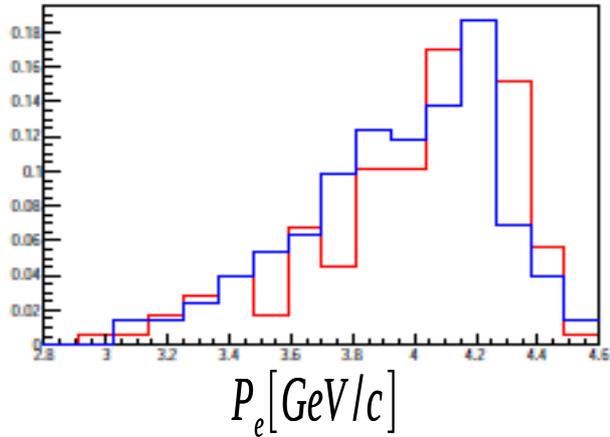
## Sector #6



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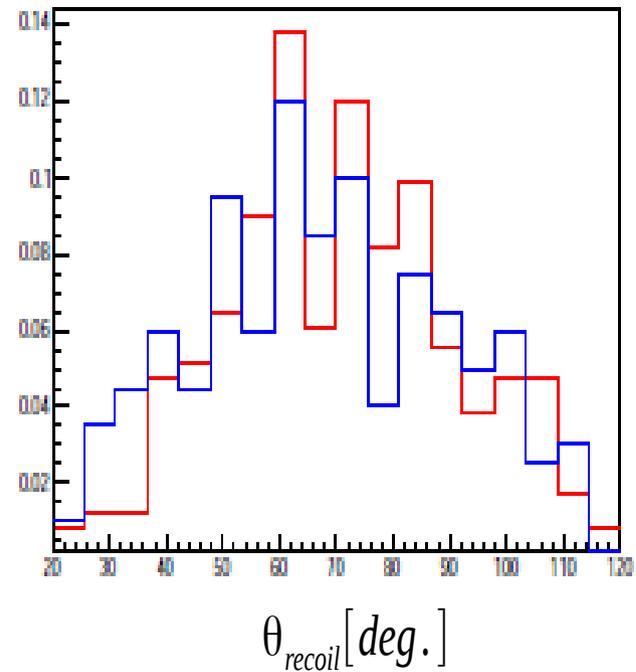
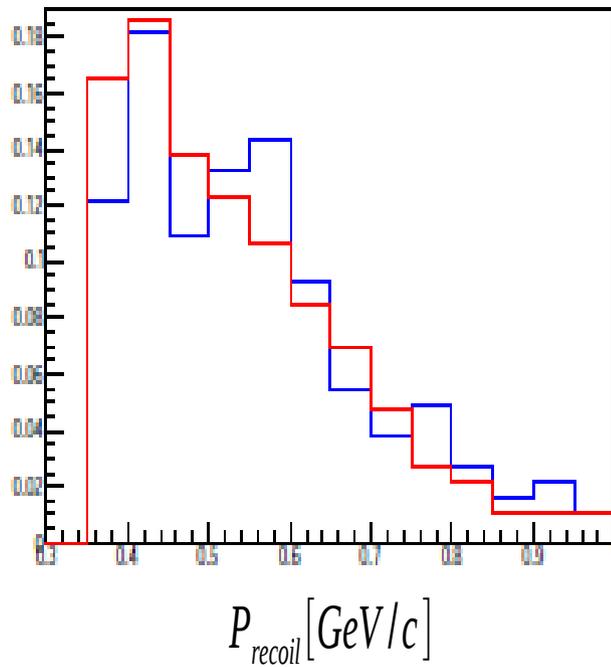
smearing protons

neutrons



# Recoil proton kinematics

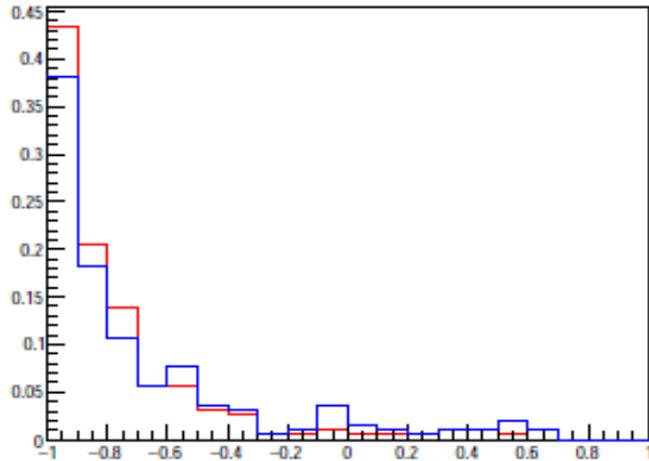
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# Opening angle distribution

smearred protons

neutrons



$$\cos(\theta_{P_{miss}, P_{recoil}})$$

