

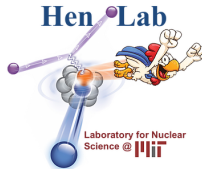
# Contact extraction from fitting

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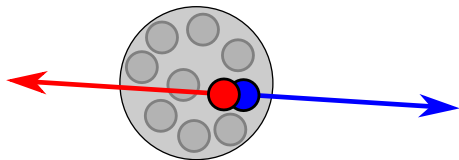
- Review this work, Contact Model
- How can we extend it to infer model parameters
  - → Looking for your feedback

# Use short-range correlated nucleons to constrain the $NN$ interaction

- What are short-range correlated nucleons?
- What do we want to learn about the  $NN$  interaction?
  - Repulsive core
- How do we connect the two?
  - Generalized contact formalism (GCF)

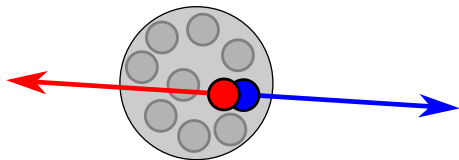
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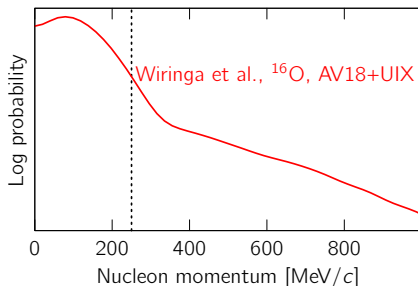
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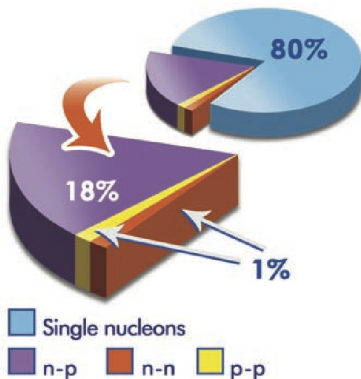
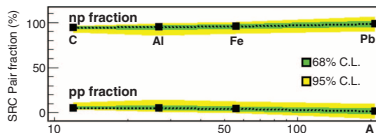
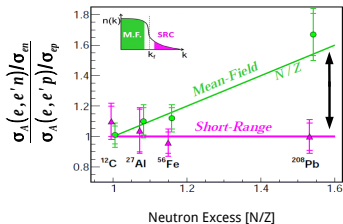
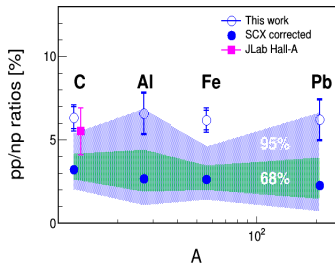


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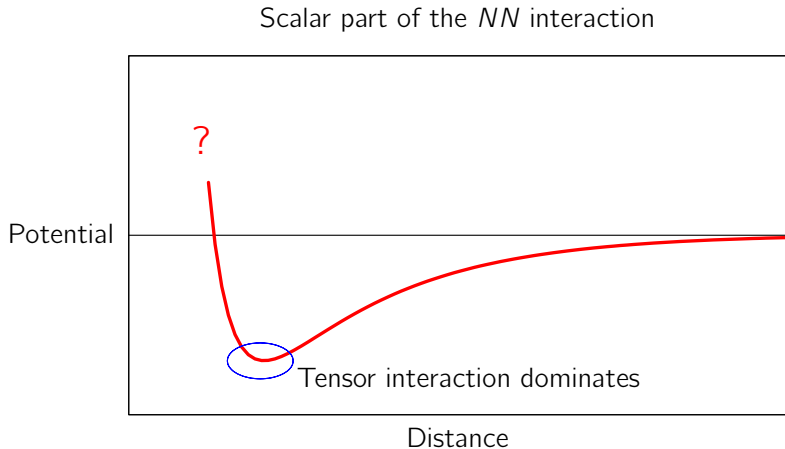


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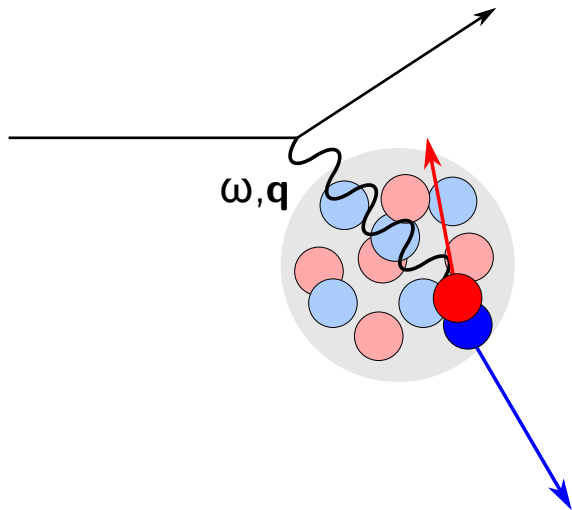




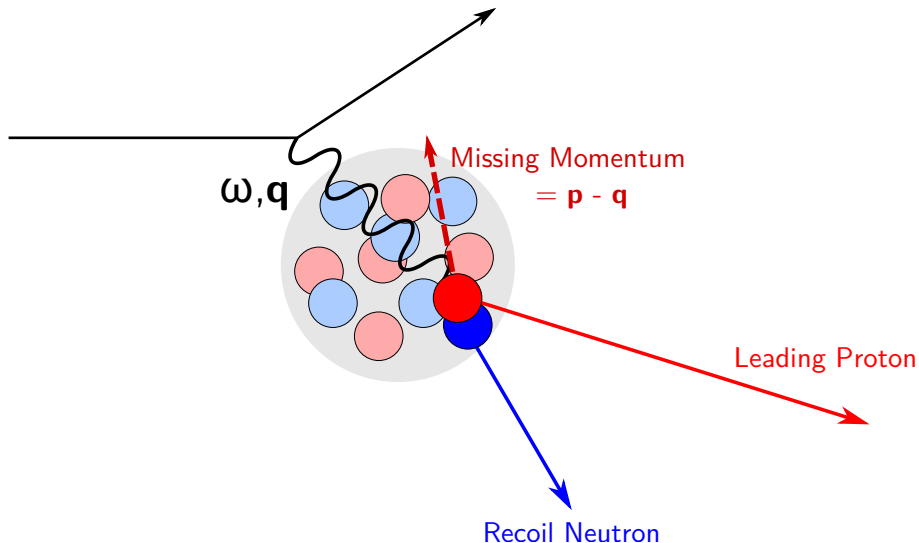
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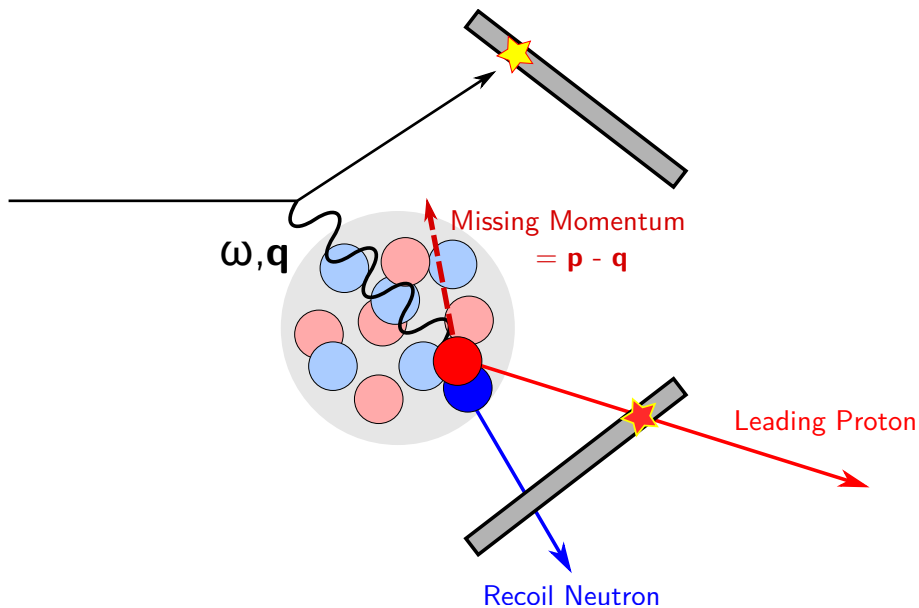
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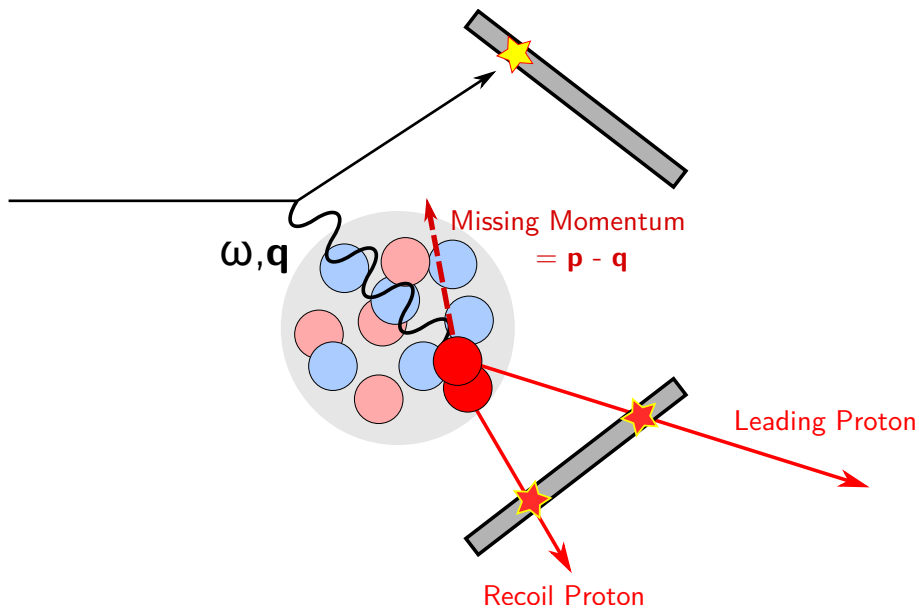
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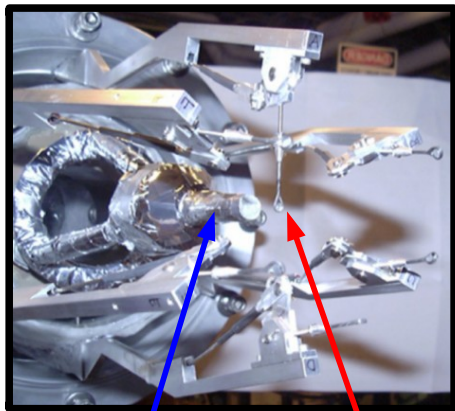
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- Or Hen (2012):  
 $(e, e'pp)/(e, e'p)$  confirms  $np$ -dominance in heavy nuclei
- Meytal Duer (2017):  
Direct confirmation of  $np$ -dominance by detecting neutrons in ECal
- Erez Cohen (2018):  
CM motion in  $pp$  pairs is Gaussian,  $\sigma \approx 150 \text{ MeV}/c$
- Igor Korover (*next talk!*):  
Detection of recoil neutrons in ToFs

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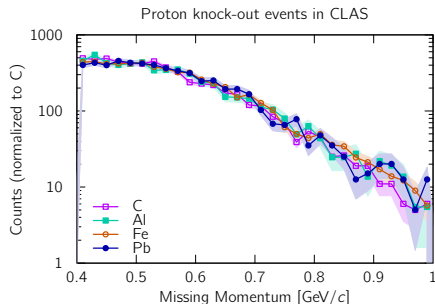
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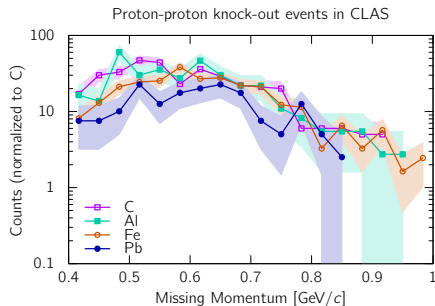




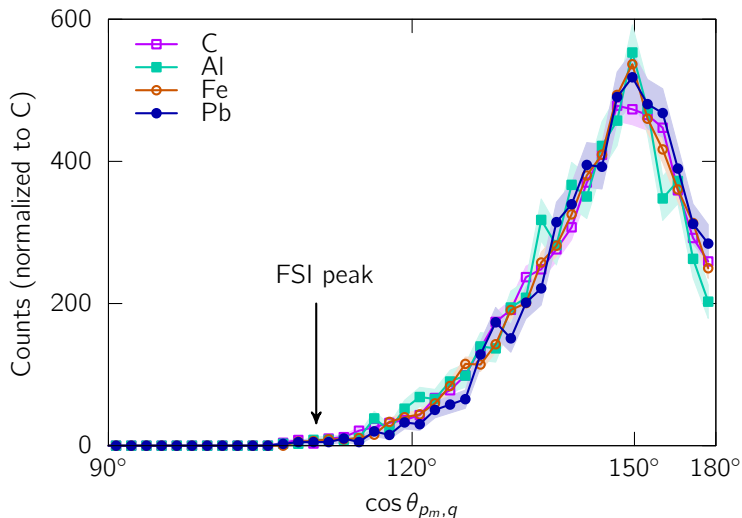
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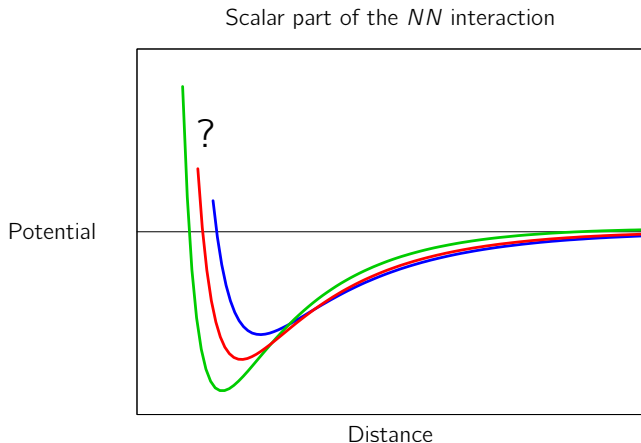


Similar distributions from C to Pb  
show that FSIs are suppressed.



The  $NN$  interaction is poorly constrained at short-distance.

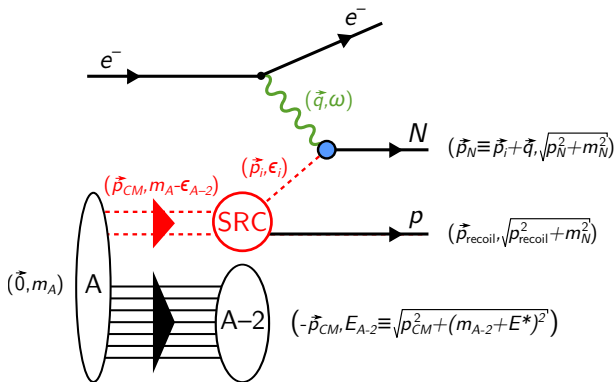
$\pi$ -production complicates the interpretation of phase-shifts at high-momentum.



## Generalized Contact Formalism:

Use scale separation to calculate PWIA cross section

For pairs with high relative momenta:



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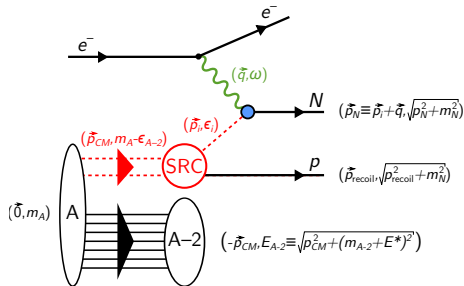
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- + several other nuisance (and expt.) parameters.

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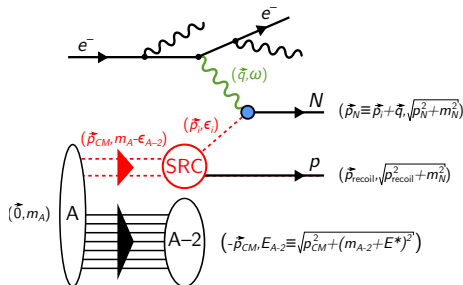
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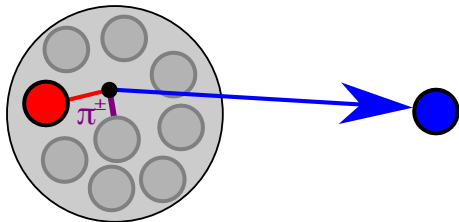
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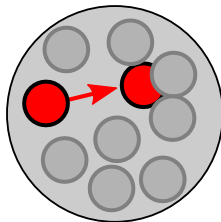
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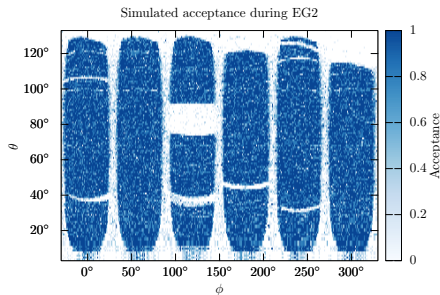
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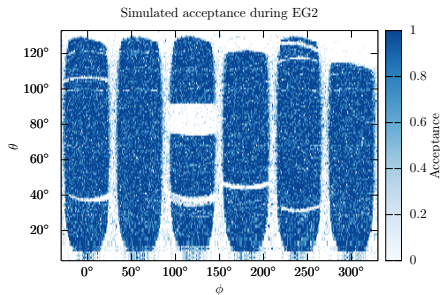
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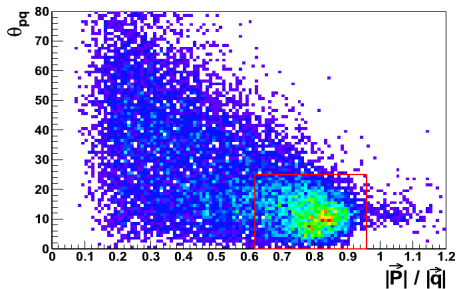
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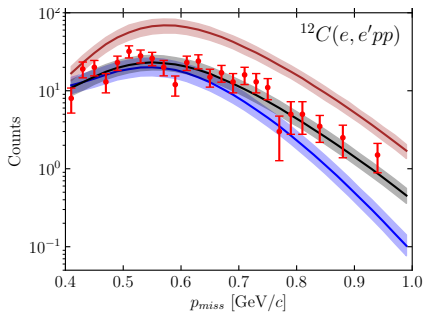
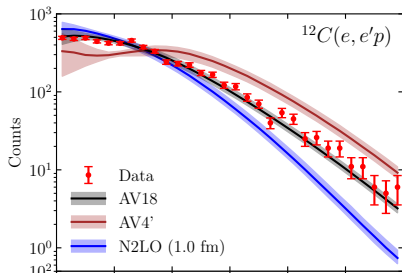
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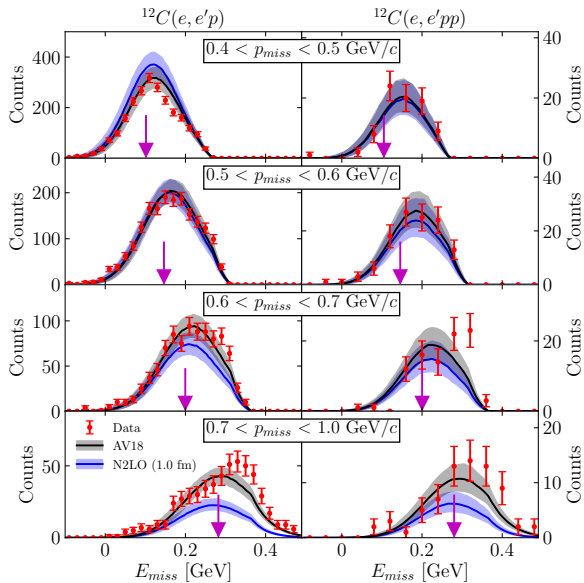
In the following plots:

- Comparisons to carbon data:  $C(e, e'p)$  and  $C(e, e'pp)$  reactions
  - Contacts ( $C_\alpha$ ) extracted from ab initio calculations
- Three model  $NN$  interactions
  - AV18: top-of-the-line phenomenological potential
  - AV4', simplified, *no tensor*
  - $\chi$ EFT N2LO (1.0 fm cut-off)

# Missing momentum distribution

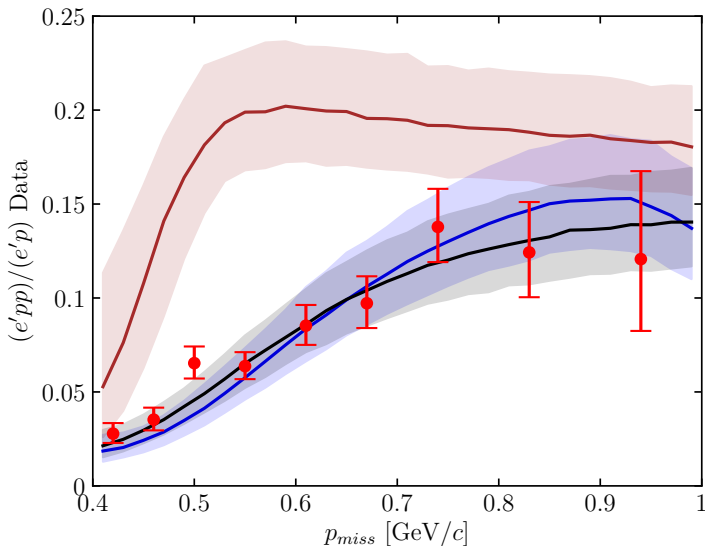


# $E_{\text{miss}}-p_{\text{miss}}$ correlations





$C(e, e'pp)/C(e, e'p)$ : tensor to scalar transition



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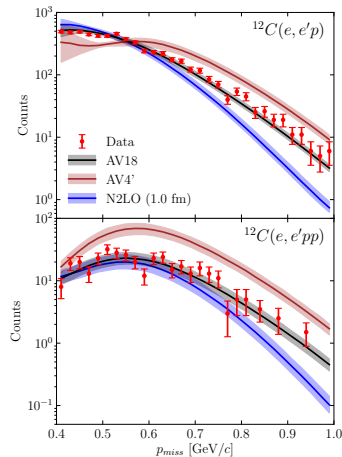
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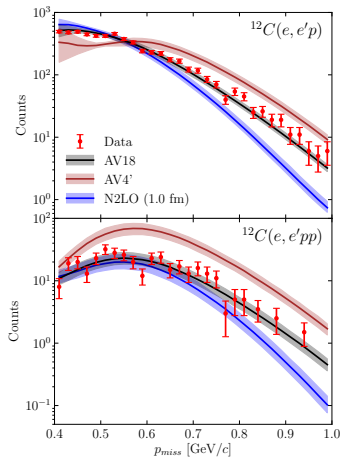
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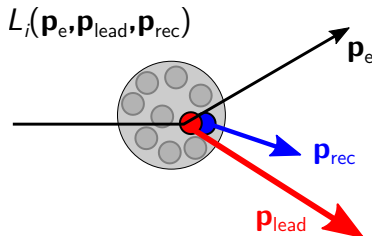
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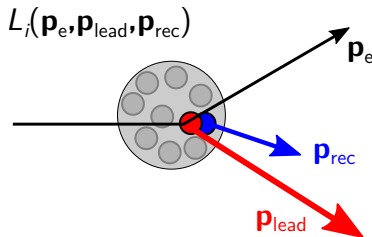
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# Unbinned Likelihood

$$\log \mathcal{L} = \sum_i \log L_i$$

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These are very different integrals than  $d^8 \sigma$ !



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This method:

- Normalization: 1M samples
- Likelihood: 10k events  $\times$  10k samples = 100M total

We may even get a speed-up!

Each  $L_i$  can be evaluated in parallel

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- Single charge exchange

- $\longrightarrow$  Sum all contributing channels:
- $\longrightarrow \sigma_{pp} = \sigma_{pp}(1 - P_{\text{SCX}}) + \sigma_{pn}P_{\text{SCX}} + \sigma_{np}P_{\text{SCX}} + \dots$

# Method to exploring likelihood space will depend on speed and dimensionality.

Some options:

- Metropolis-Hastings MCMC

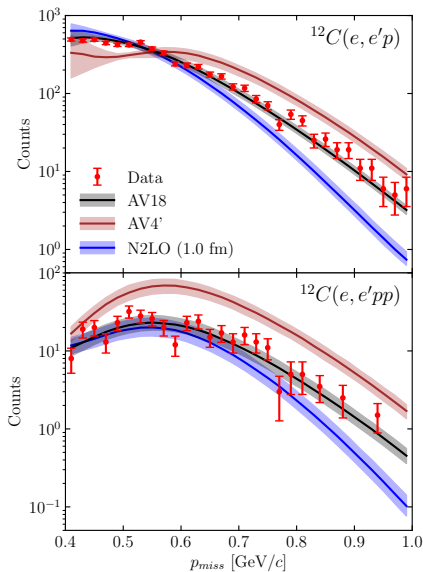
- Explore *entire* space using random walk
- Good for complicated topologies
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- Maximum-Likelihood Estimation

- Find most-likely parameters (e.g. with gradient descent)
- Explore space around maximum, parameterize curvature
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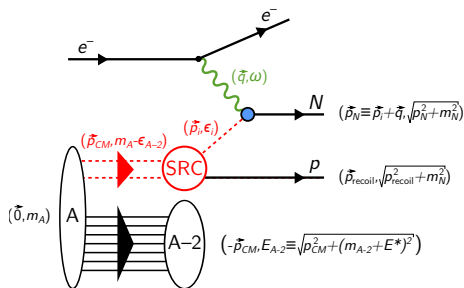
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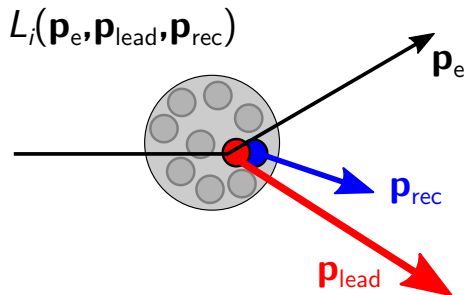
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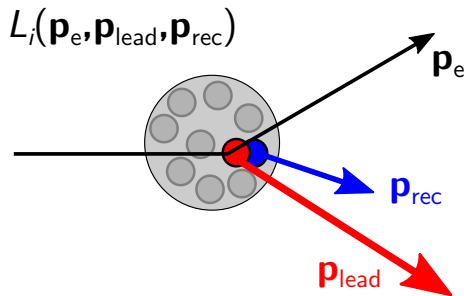
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