

# Space-time evolution of hadronization

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## ★ Hadronization in nuclear matter

- small systems:  $e^+e^-$ ,  $e+p$ ,  $p+p$
- nuclear targets: nDIS vs. Heavy-Ion Collisions

## ★ Hadron formation time

- prehadron vs. hadron – energy loss vs. absorption
- hadron attenuation in nDIS

## ★ Can we distinguish energy loss from absorption?

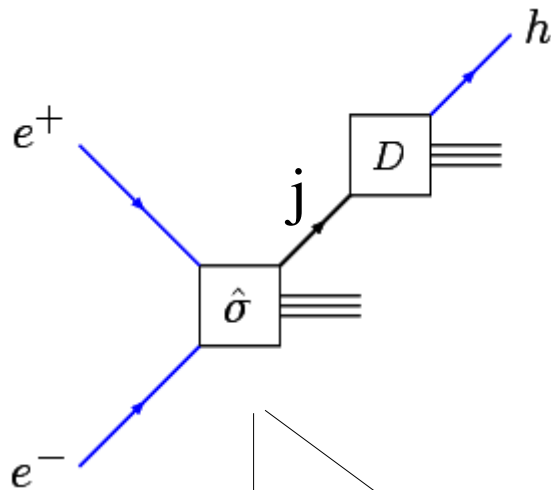
- The " $A^{2/3}$  power law"
- $cA^\alpha$  fits - power law breaking

## ★ Conclusions and perspectives

Based in part on work in collaboration with D.Gruenewald, V.Muccifora, H.J.Pirner

# I. Hadronization in nuclear matter

# Hadronization in elementary collisions



## ★ pQCD factorization

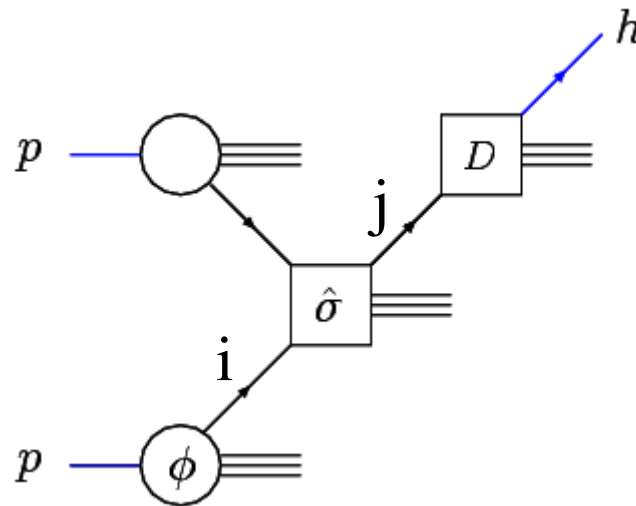
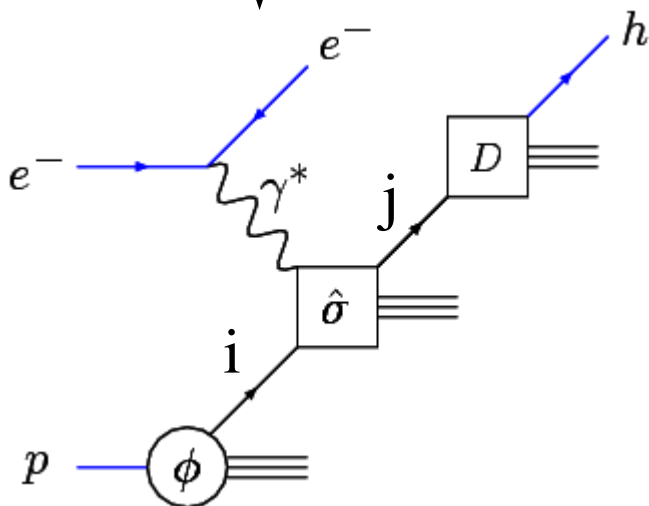
of short and long distance physics

$$d\sigma_{\text{hadronic}} = \prod_i \phi_i \otimes \hat{\sigma}_j^{\text{partonic}} \otimes D_{j|h}$$

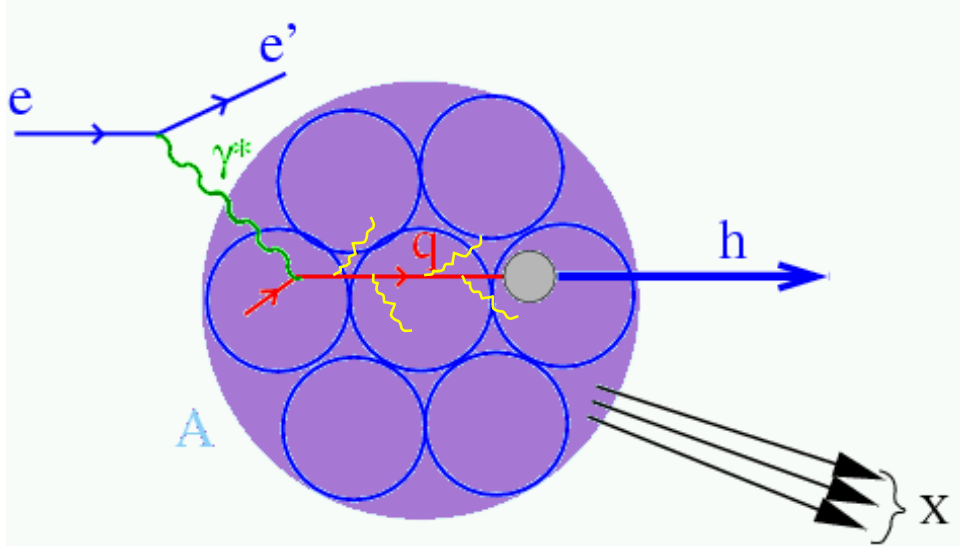
Parton Distribution Fns  
(from inclusive DIS)

Fragmentation Fns  
(from  $e^+e^- \rightarrow h+X$ )

★ **Universality:** Fragn. Fns. from  $e^+e^- \rightarrow h+X$  describe hadronization in DIS and  $p+p \rightarrow h+X$

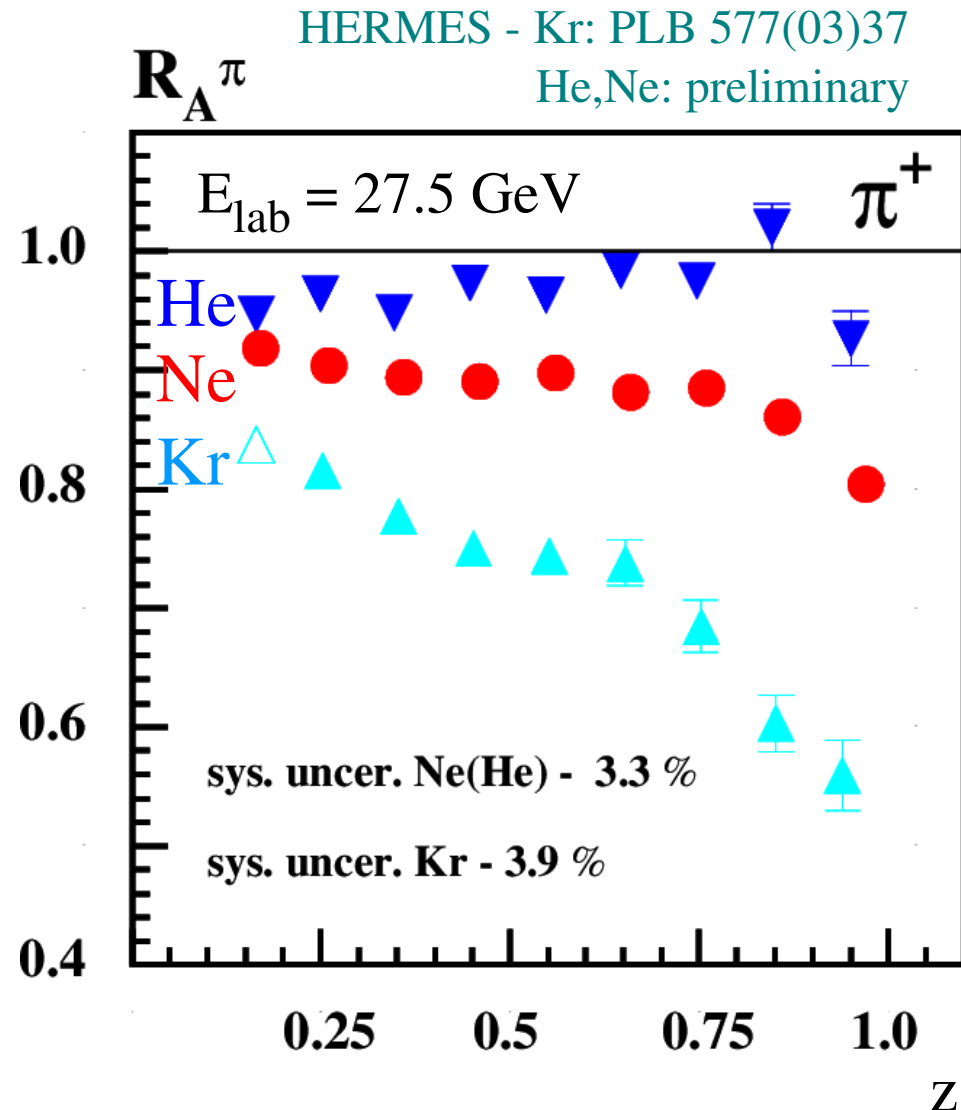


# Nuclear collisions 1 – nuclear DIS



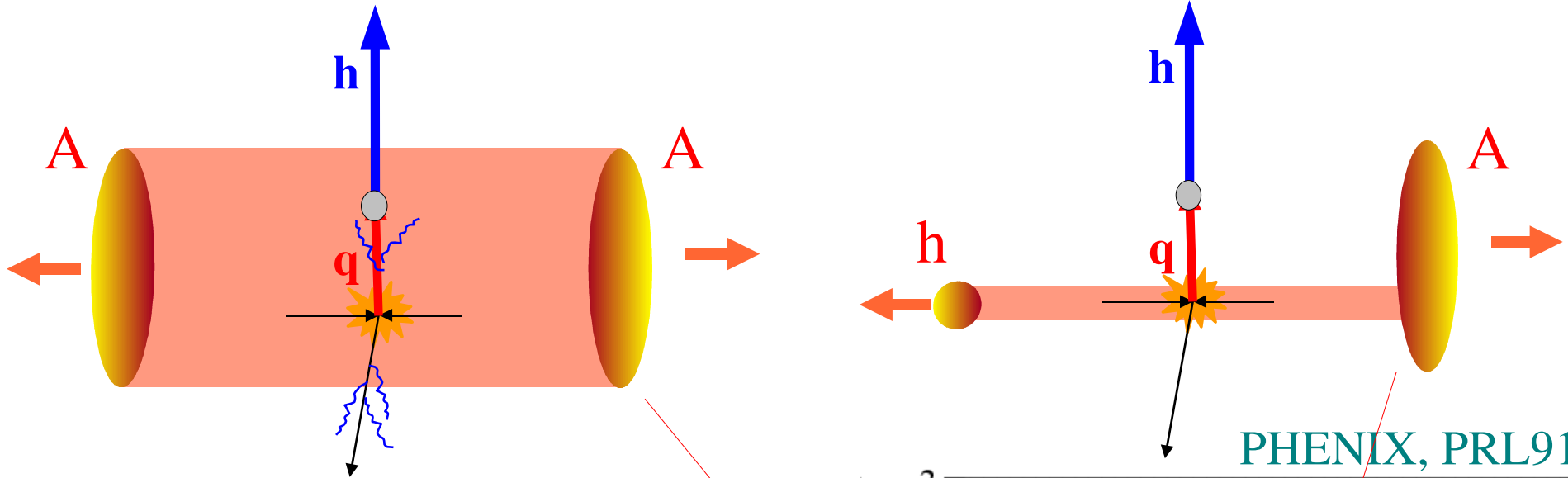
$$R_M^h(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{N_A^{DIS}} \frac{dN_A^h(z)}{dz}}{\frac{1}{N_D^{DIS}} \frac{dN_D^h(z)}{dz}}$$

- ★ Nuclear effects on PDF cancel in ratios
- ★ Exposes modifications of hadronization



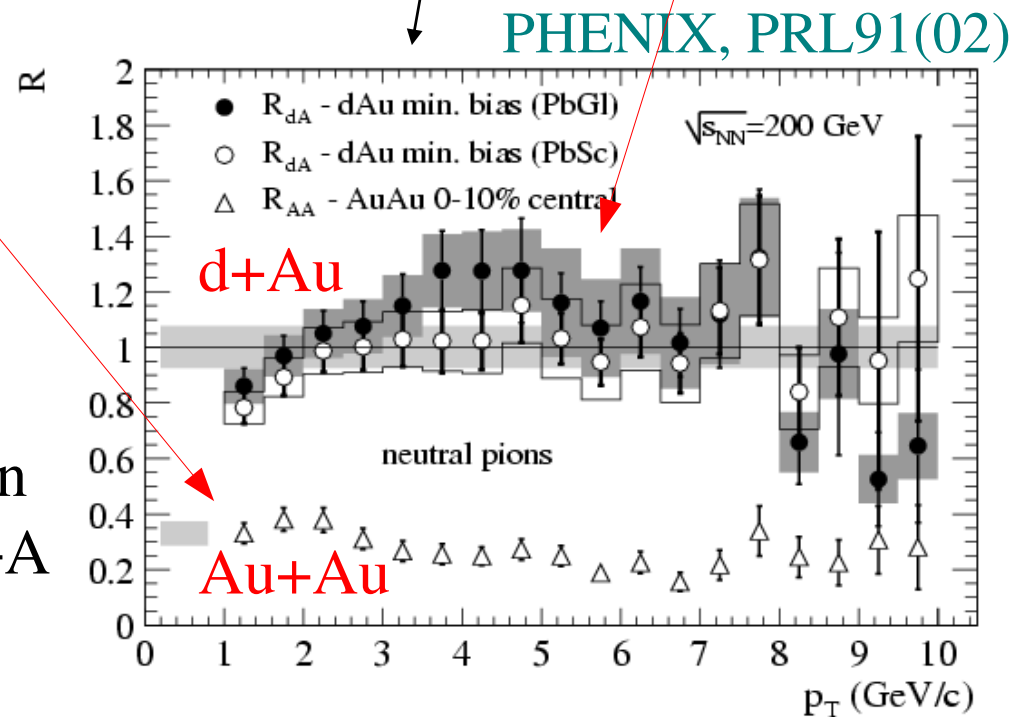
$R_M < 1 \Rightarrow$  hadron attenuation in cold nuclear matter

# Nuclear collisions 2 – Heavy Ion Collisions



$$R_{AB} = \frac{(dN^h/d^2p_T)_{A+B}}{T_{BA}(b) (d\sigma^h/d^2p_T)_{p+p}}$$

★ Medium modifications of hadronization isolated by comparison of h+A and A+A



$R_{AuAu} < 1$  &  $R_{dAu} > 1 \Rightarrow$  hadron attenuation in hot nuclear matter

# Breaking of universality on nuclei

★ Hadron attenuation data show a remarkable breaking of universality (hadronization is no more process-independent)

★ Among possible causes:

➔ struck quark interactions with the medium

➔ (pre)hadron interactions with the medium

This talk: space-time evolution of hadroniz.

( ➔ other medium nuclear, e.g., partial deconfinement [Dias de Deus '87] )

➔ in-medium modifications of parton showers [Borghini, Wiedemann '05]

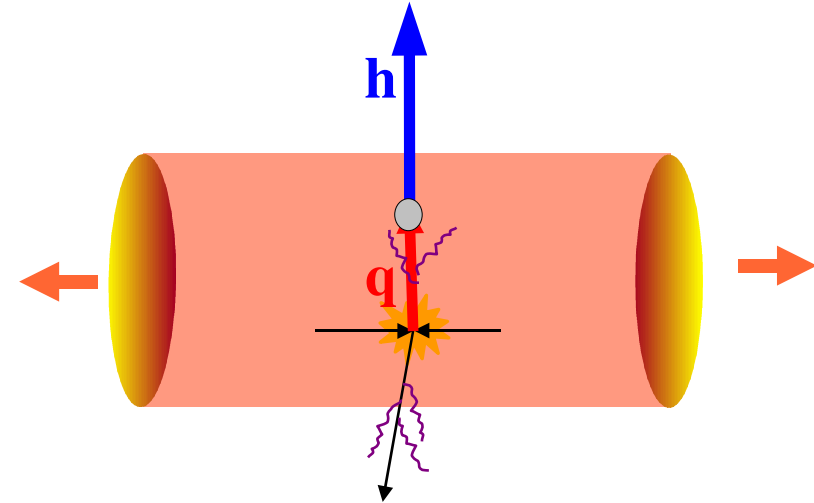
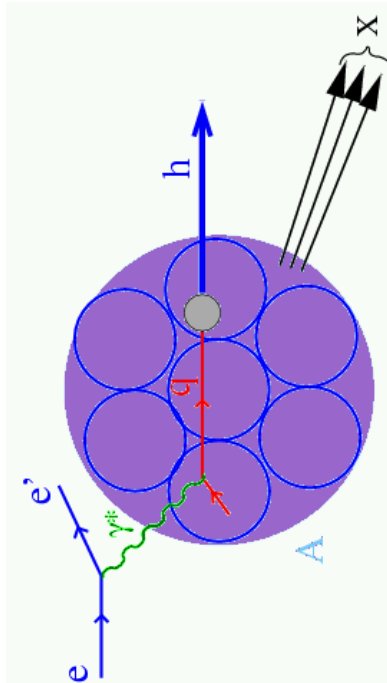
➔ breakdown of factorization [for nuclear PDF, see Qiu, Sterman '02]

★ **space-time evolution of hadronization is necessary for correct interpretation of attenuation data**

# nDIS

vs.

# A+A collisions



★ nDIS is a clean environment for  
**(1) space-time evolution of fragmentation**

- nucleons as micro-detectors
- medium rather well known

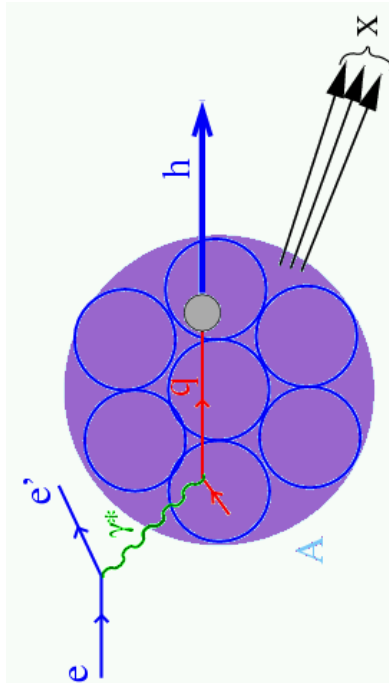
**(2) Cold nuclear matter effects**

- quark energy loss
- nuclear modifications of FF

Jet-quenching in A+A

properties of hot nuclear matter

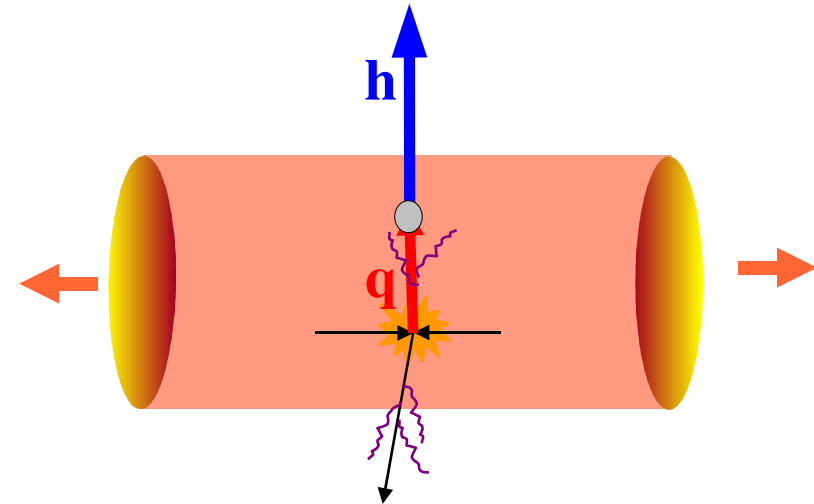
# Similarities and differences



$$E_q = \nu = E_e - E_{e'} \approx 2-25 \text{ GeV}$$

at HERMES

$$E_h = z \nu \approx \mathbf{2 - 20 \text{ GeV}}$$



$$E_q = p_T / z$$

$$E_h = p_T \approx \mathbf{2 - 20 \text{ GeV}}$$

★ HERMES kinematics is relevant to RHIC mid-rapidity

**...but beware the virtuality...**

$Q^2 = -q^2$  is measured

$$Q^2 \equiv E_q^2 \propto (p_T/z)^2$$

**...and the rapidity...**

always forward rapidity

rapidity can change



# Hadron attenuation – 2 frameworks

- HERMES, PLB 577(03)37
- Accardi *et al.*, NPA 720(03)131
- - - Wang *et al.*, PRL 82(02)162301

## ★ Energy loss (gluon brehmsstrahlung)

(Arleo;  
Wang *et al.*)

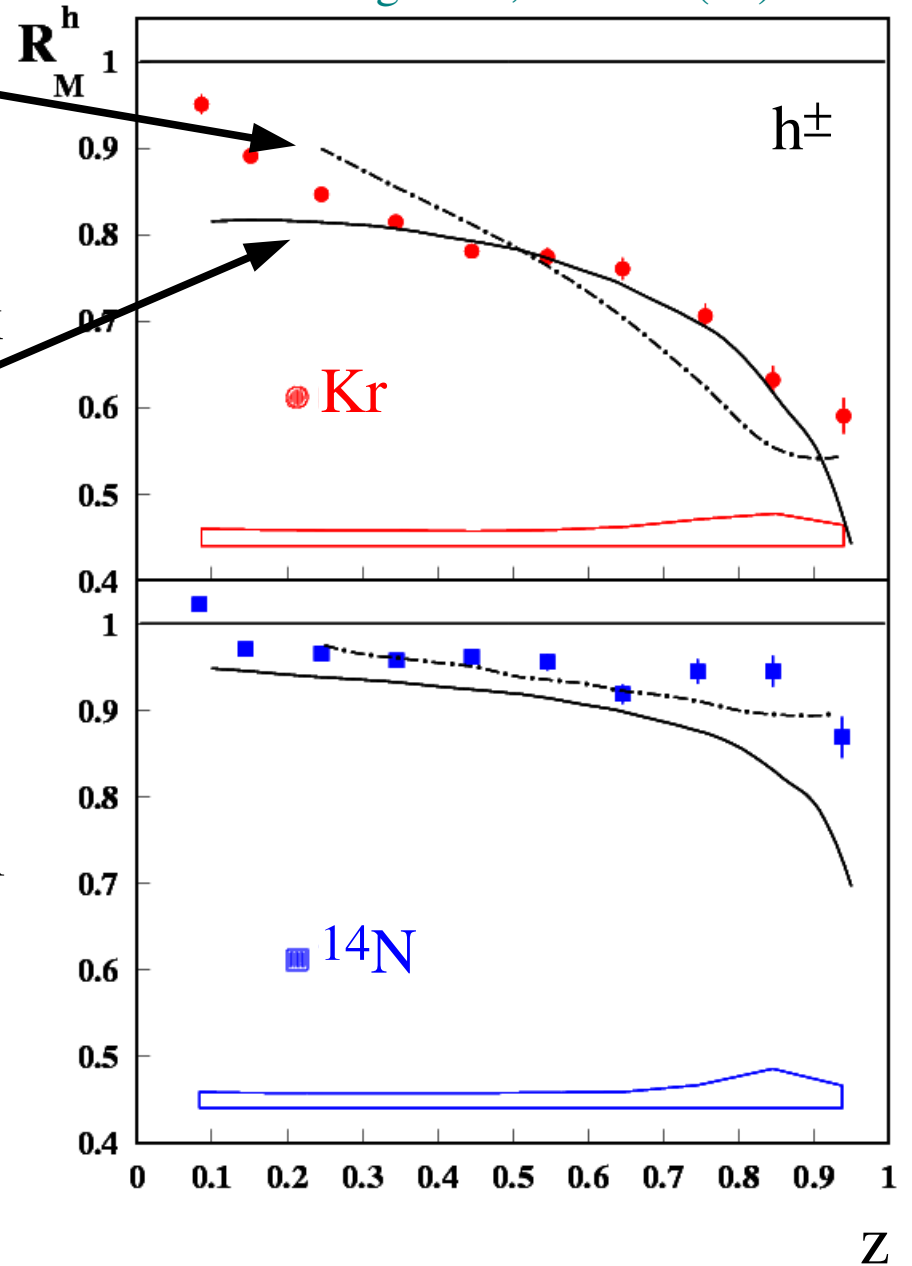
- hadronization outside the medium
- gluon brehmsstrahlung off struck quark
- "parton attenuation"

## ★ Hadron absorption

(Accardi *et al.*;  
Falter *et al.*;  
Kopeliovich, *et al.*)

includes also en.loss

- color neutralization inside the medium
- prehadron-nucleon scatterings
- hadron attenuation



# Interplay of nDIS and A+A : an example

animation: P. Di Nezza

★ Consider energy loss model of  
Wang *et al.*, PRL 82(02)162301

➔ fit HERMES  $e^+ + N \rightarrow h^\pm + X$   
 $(dE/dx)_{\text{cold}} = 0.5 \text{ GeV/fm}$

➔ fit PHENIX Au + Au  $\rightarrow h^\pm + X$   
 $(dE/dx)_{\text{medium}} = 7.3 \text{ GeV/fm}$

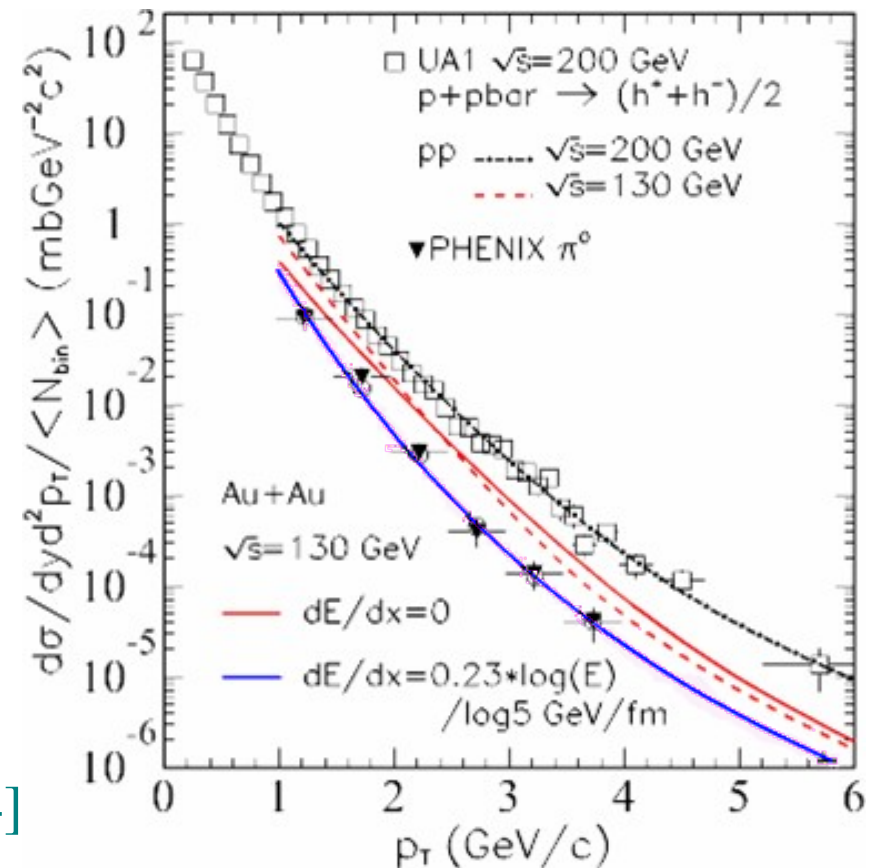
★ Convert to medium temperature [Vitev '04]

$$T_{\text{medium}} \approx 400 \text{ MeV} \gg T_{\text{crit}} \approx 170 \text{ MeV}$$

★ But remember the **assumption**:

partons travel through all medium and hadronize well outside

➔ is it correct?

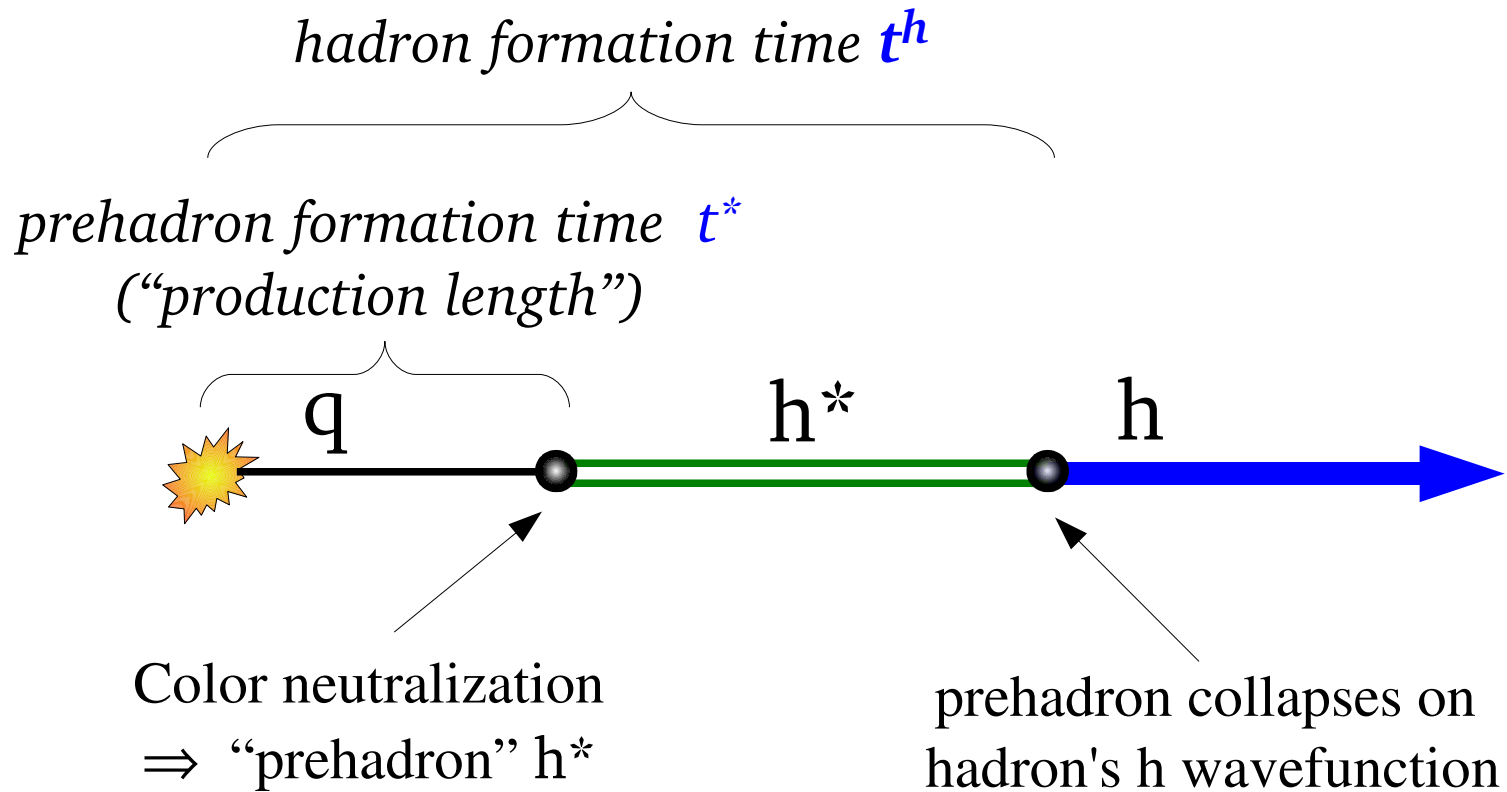


## II. Hadron formation time

# Space-time evolution of hadronization

★ A non perturbative process  $\Rightarrow$  (many) models

★ General features:



★ NOTE:

➔ It's tricky to rigorously define  $t^*$ ,  $t^h$ : consider them as working tools

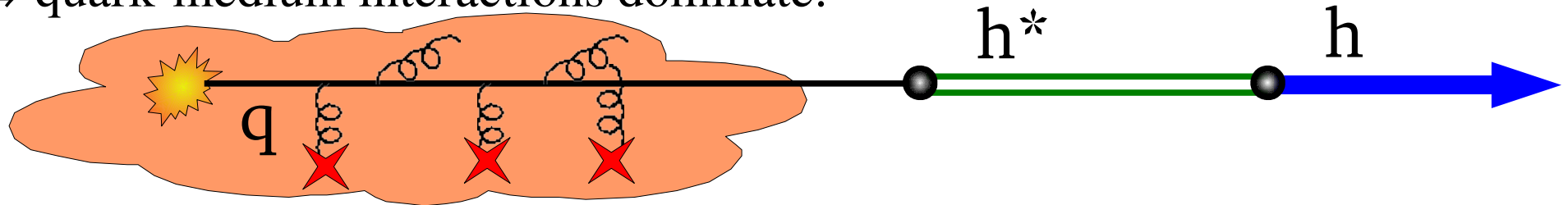
➔ factorization theorems with nuclear targets are not guaranteed

[Sternan, Qiu '02]

# Space-time evolution of hadronization

★ If parton is long lived, with  $t^* \gg L_{medium}$

⇒ quark-medium interactions dominate:

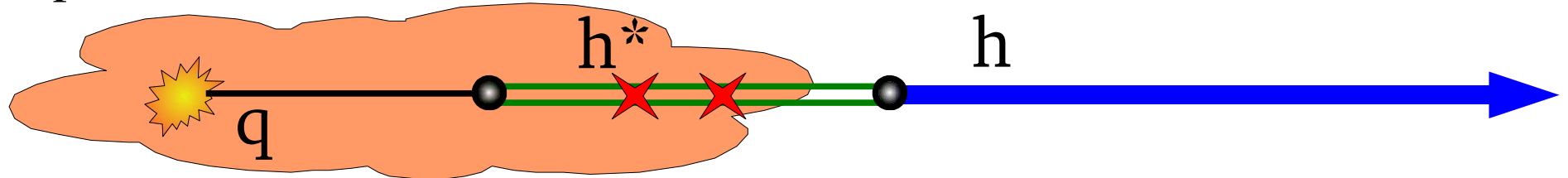


➔ quark multiscattering – Cronin effect

➔ gluon bremsstrahlung – parton energy loss

★ If color neutralization is inside the medium,  $t^* < L_{medium}$

⇒ (pre)hadron-medium interactions must be taken into account



➔ gluon bremsstrahlung stops (small color neutral object)

➔ inelastic scatterings – prehadron is destroyed (dominant)

➔ elastic scatterings – elastic energy loss

➔ “missed hadronization” in deconfined medium

# Formation time estimates 1

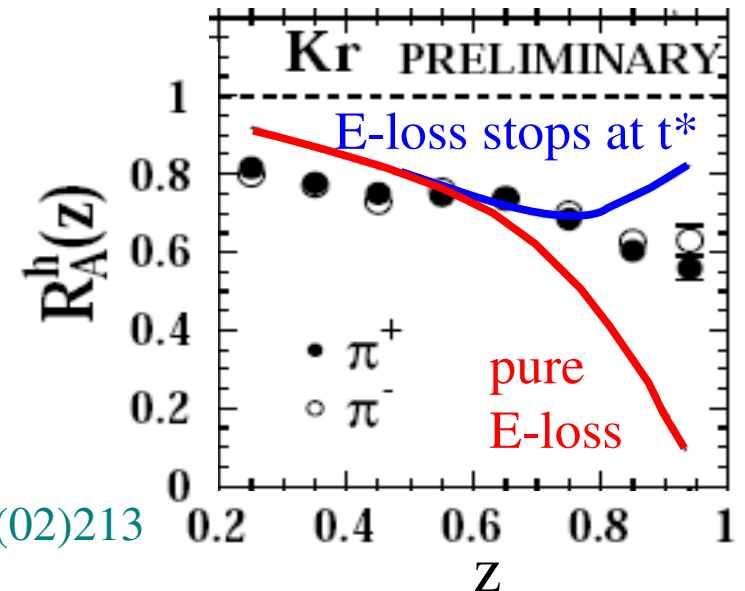
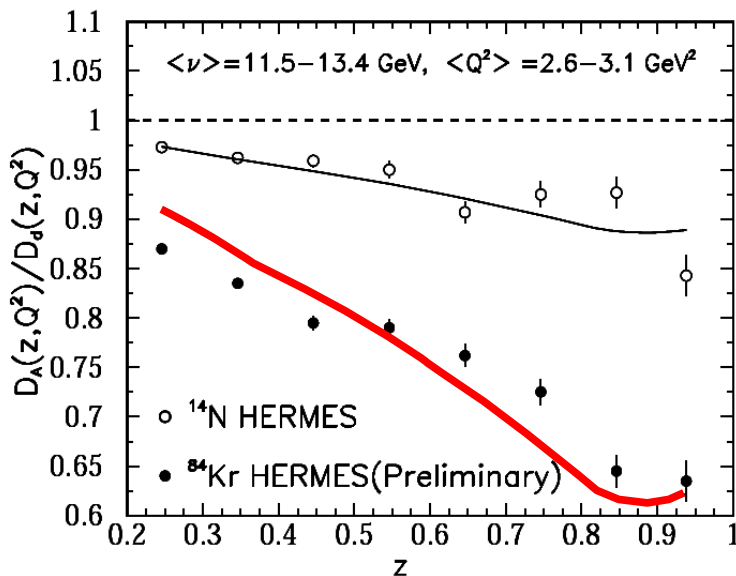
★ Hadron formation time = time for partons to build up a color field and develop hadron wave function

→ hadron's rest frame:  $\tau^h \sim R_h$   
 → lab frame:  $t^h \sim R_h \frac{E_h}{m_h}$  (in DIS  $t^h \sim R_h \frac{zV}{m_h}$ )

boost factor

★ For a 10 GeV pion at Hermes  $t^h \sim 45 \text{ fm} \gg R_A$

★ This is used in energy loss models to justify the assumptions, but **neglects interactions of the forming color field with the medium**



# Formation time estimates 2 – Lund model

★ Prehadrons and hadrons are identified as follows [Bialas-Gyulassy '87]

➔ Prehadron formed at  $q\bar{q}$  creation (string breaking) –  $C_i$

➔ Hadron  $h_i$  formed when  $q$  and  $\bar{q}$  meet –  $P_i$

★ Average formation times analytically computable

➔ At large  $z \rightarrow 1$

$E_h \rightarrow v \Rightarrow$  string breaks early to leave

all energy to the hadron:  $t^* \rightarrow 0$

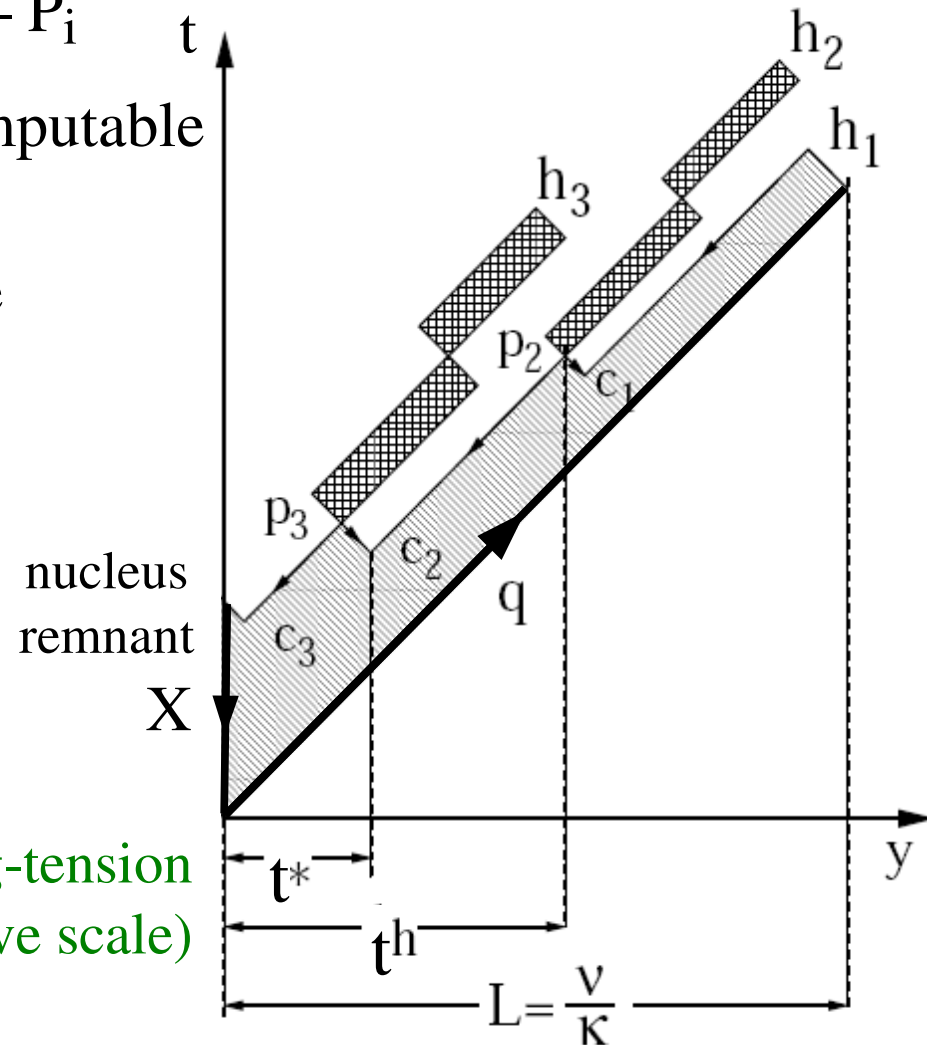
➔ At small  $z \rightarrow 0$

hadron created at high rank after

many string breakings:  $t^* \rightarrow 0$

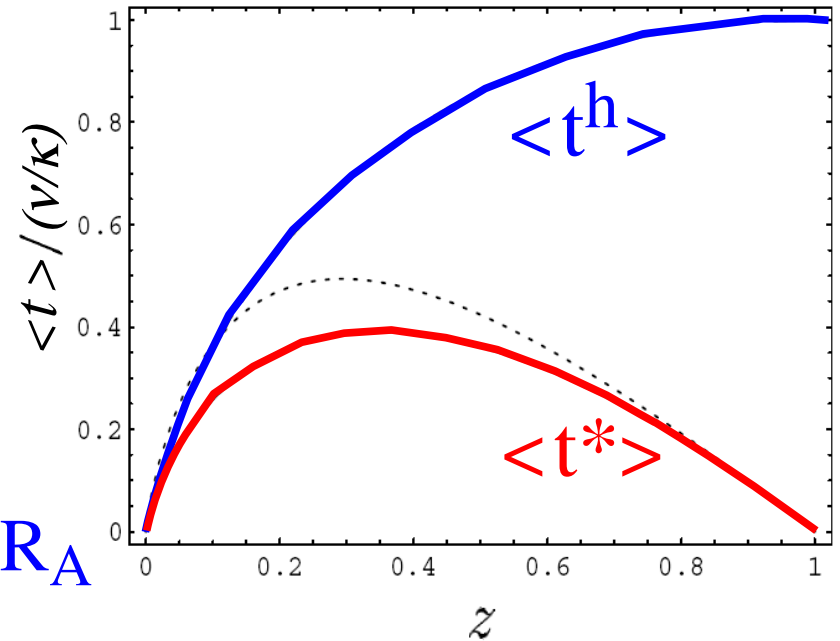
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \langle t^* \rangle = f(z) (1-z) \frac{zV}{K} \\ \langle t^h \rangle = \langle t^* \rangle + \frac{zV}{K} \end{array} \right.$$

K ← string-tension  
(non perturbative scale)  
energy conservation



# Formation time estimates 2 – Lund model

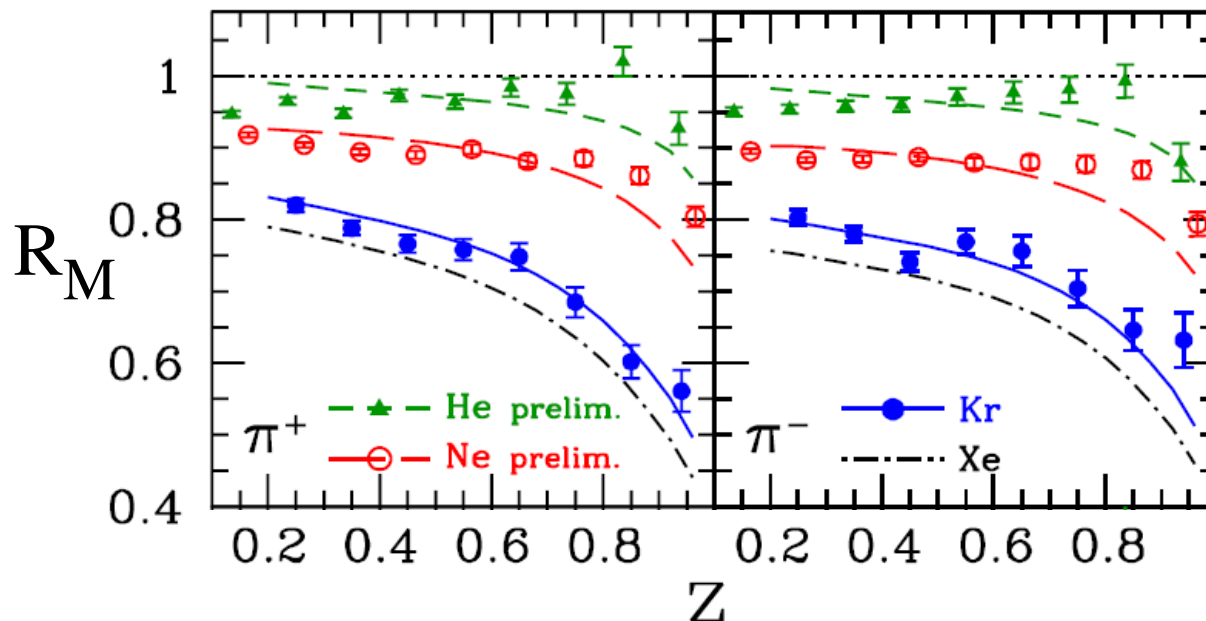
$$\begin{cases} \langle t^* \rangle = f(z) (1-z) \frac{zV}{K} \\ \langle t^h \rangle = t^* + \frac{zV}{K} \end{cases}$$



★ For a 10 GeV pion at Hermes

$$t^* < 4 \text{ fm} \sim O(R_A) \quad t^h = 6-10 \text{ fm} > R_A$$

★ Prehadron absorption with this estimate [A.A. et al., NPA 761(05)67]



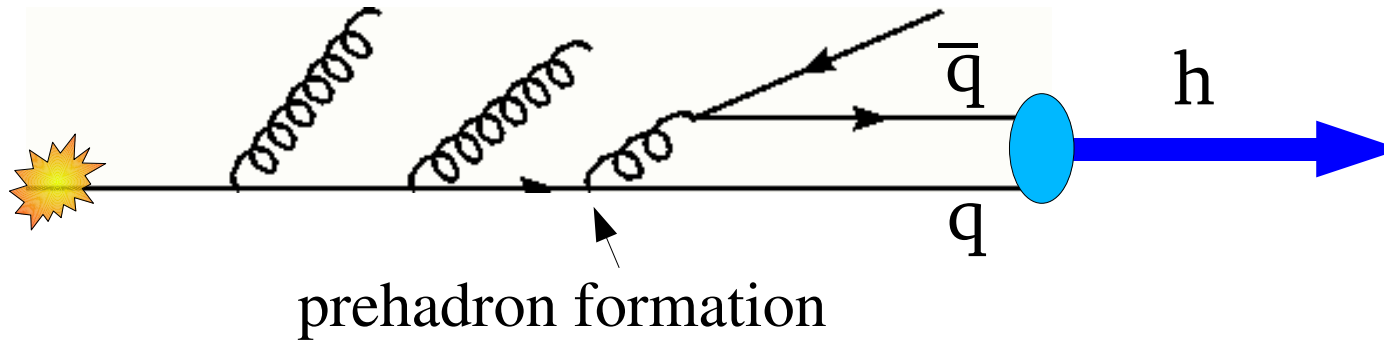
see also:

Falter, Gallmeister, nucl-th/0512104  
for similar ideas in a transport model



# Formation time estimates 3 – Dipole model

- ★ Leading hadron formation ( $z > 0.5$ ) [Kopeliovich et al., NPA 740(04)211]



- ★ Prehadron formation time  $t^*$  = time necessary to radiate  $\Delta E = v - E_{q\bar{q}}$

➔ At large  $z \rightarrow 1$

$E_h \rightarrow v \Rightarrow$  quark must be short-lived

(it can radiate only a few soft gluons)

$$\langle t^* \rangle \propto (1-z) \frac{z v}{Q^2}$$

energy conservation
boost
virtuality (perturbative scale)

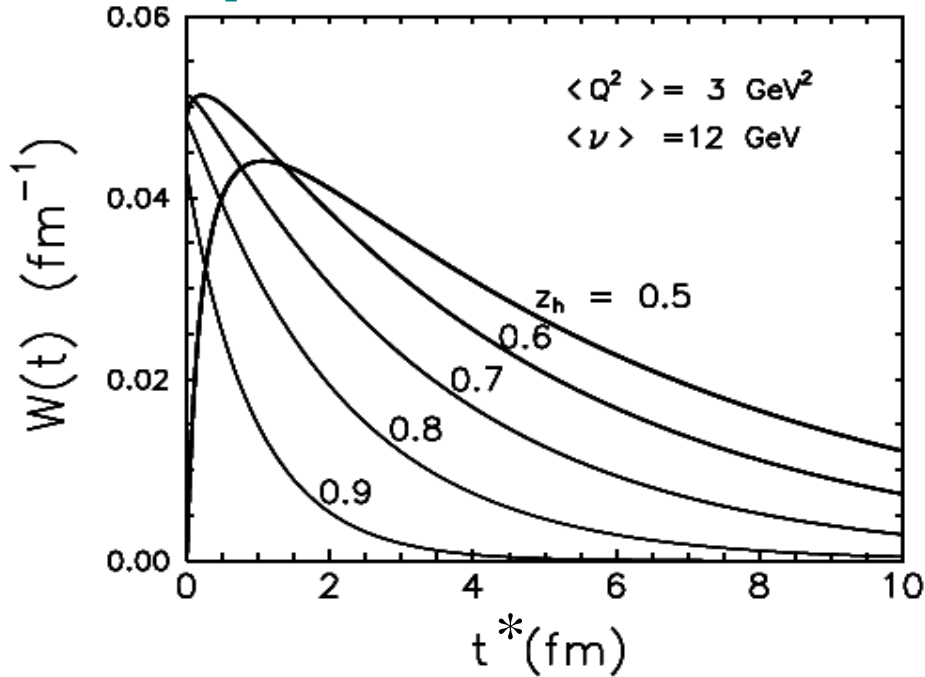
- ★ Evolution into hadron by path-integral formalism

➔ usually  $\langle t^h \rangle \gg R_A$

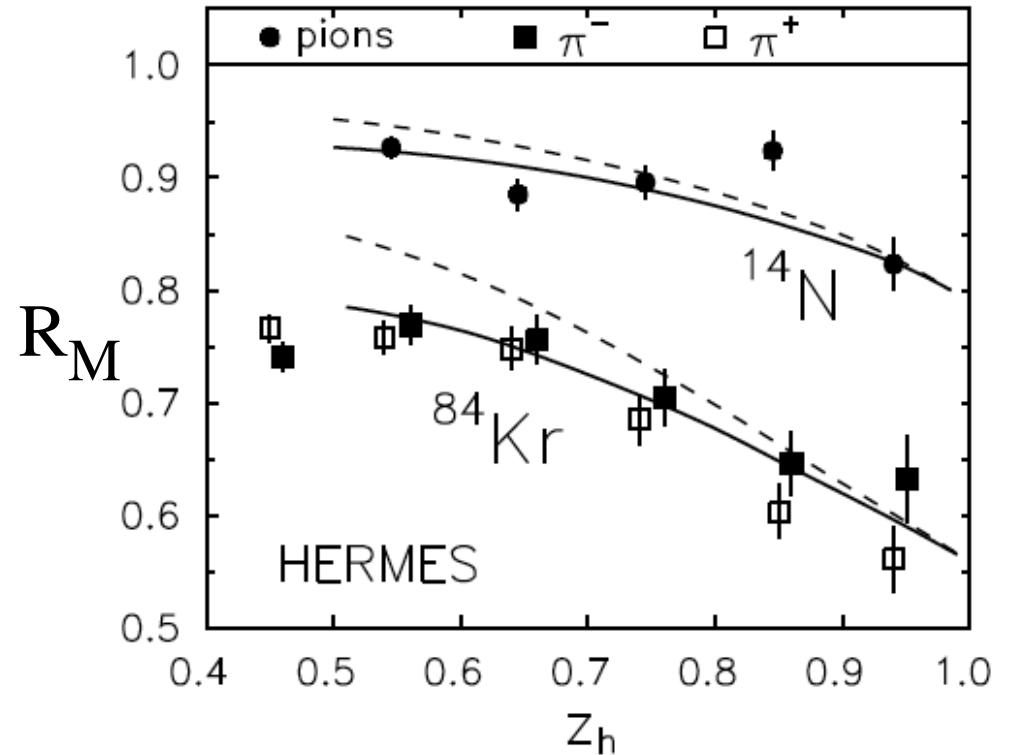
# Formation time estimates 3 – Dipole model

probability distribution in  $t^*$

[Kopeliovich et al., NPA 740(04)211]



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$$\langle t^* \rangle \propto (1-z) \frac{z\nu}{Q^2} < 5 \text{ fm} \quad (\text{at } z < 0.5)$$

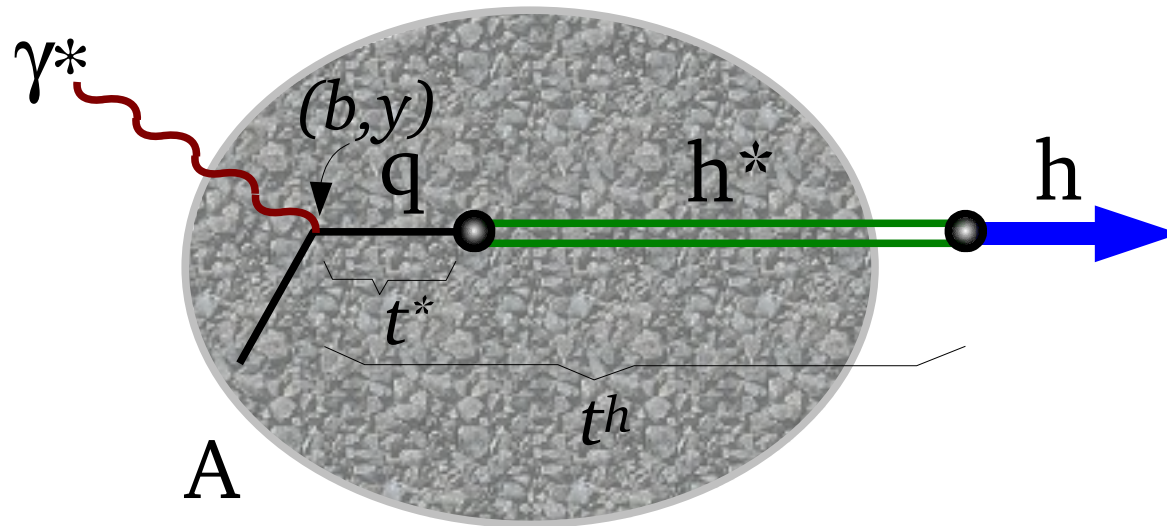
**Note:** computation of  $R_M$  includes: 1) prehadron absorption (dominant effect)  
2) quark energy loss (subdominant)

III. Can we distinguish energy loss  
from prehadron absorption?

## III.1 Hadron absorption model

# Hadron absorption model

A.A. et al., NPA 761(05)67



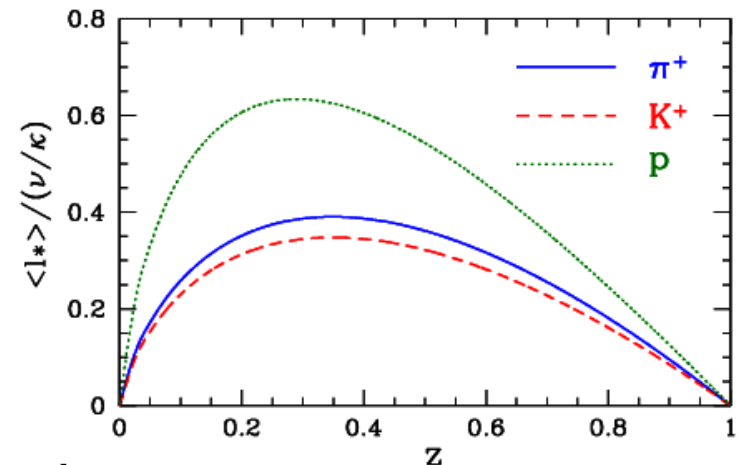
★ Two-step hadronization inside the nucleus:

- 1) quark  $q$  neutralizes color  $\Rightarrow$  **prehadron  $h^*$**
- 2) **hadron  $h$ 's** wavefunction fully develops

★ Average formation lengths

$\langle t^* \rangle(z, v)$ ,  $\langle t^h \rangle(z, v)$  from Lund model

“production length”      “formation length”



# Hadron absorption model - 2

A.A. et al., NPA 761(05)67

★ (Pre)hadron survival probability  $S_A$  by transport diff. eqns.

★ (Pre)hadron-nucleon cross sections:

$\sigma_* = 2/3 \sigma_h$  - fitted to  $e^+ + \text{Kr} \rightarrow \pi^+ + X$

$\sigma_h$  - from Particle Data Group

$$S_{f,h}^A = \int d^2b dy \rho_A(b,y) \int_y^\infty dx' \int_y^{x'} dx \frac{e^{-\frac{x-y}{\langle l^* \rangle}}}{\langle l^* \rangle} e^{-\sigma_* \int_x^{x'} ds A \rho_A(b,s)} \frac{e^{-\frac{x'-x}{\langle \Delta l \rangle}}}{\langle \Delta l \rangle} e^{-\sigma_h \int_{x'}^\infty ds A \rho_A(b,s)}$$

prob. that  $h^*$  is formed at  $x$

absorption of  $h^*$  up to  $x'$

prob. that  $h$  is formed at  $x'$

absorption of  $h$  from  $x'$  to  $\infty$

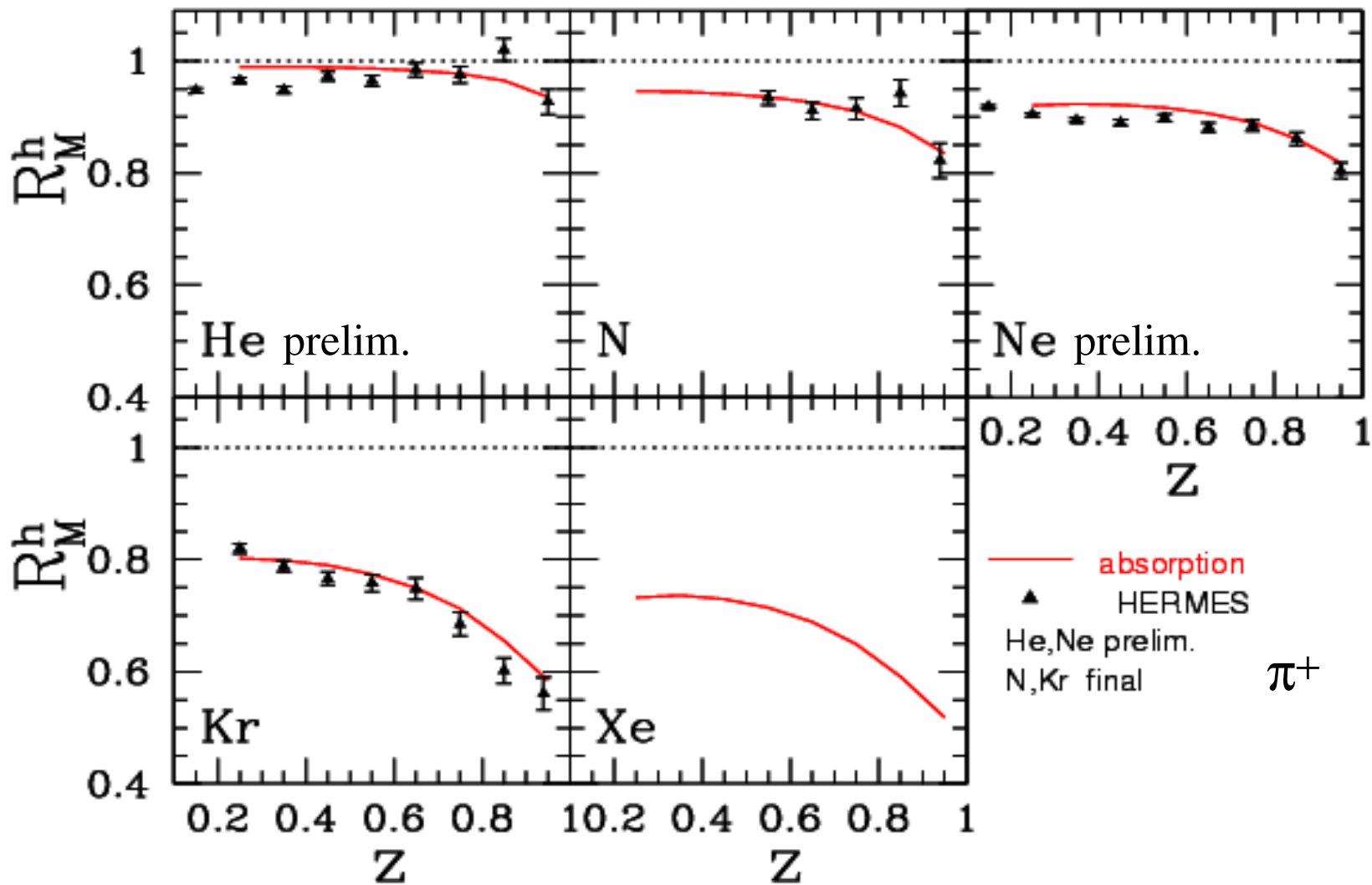
★ Full integration over  $\gamma^*q$  interaction point  $(b,y)$

$$\frac{1}{N_A^{DIS}} \frac{dN_A^h(z)}{dz} = \frac{1}{\sigma^{lA}} \int dx d\nu \sum_f e_f^2 q_f(x, Q^2) \frac{d\sigma^{lq}}{dx d\nu} S_{f,h}^A(z, \nu) D_f^h(z, Q^2)$$

exp. cuts

# Hadron absorption model - results

A.A. et al., NPA 761(05)67

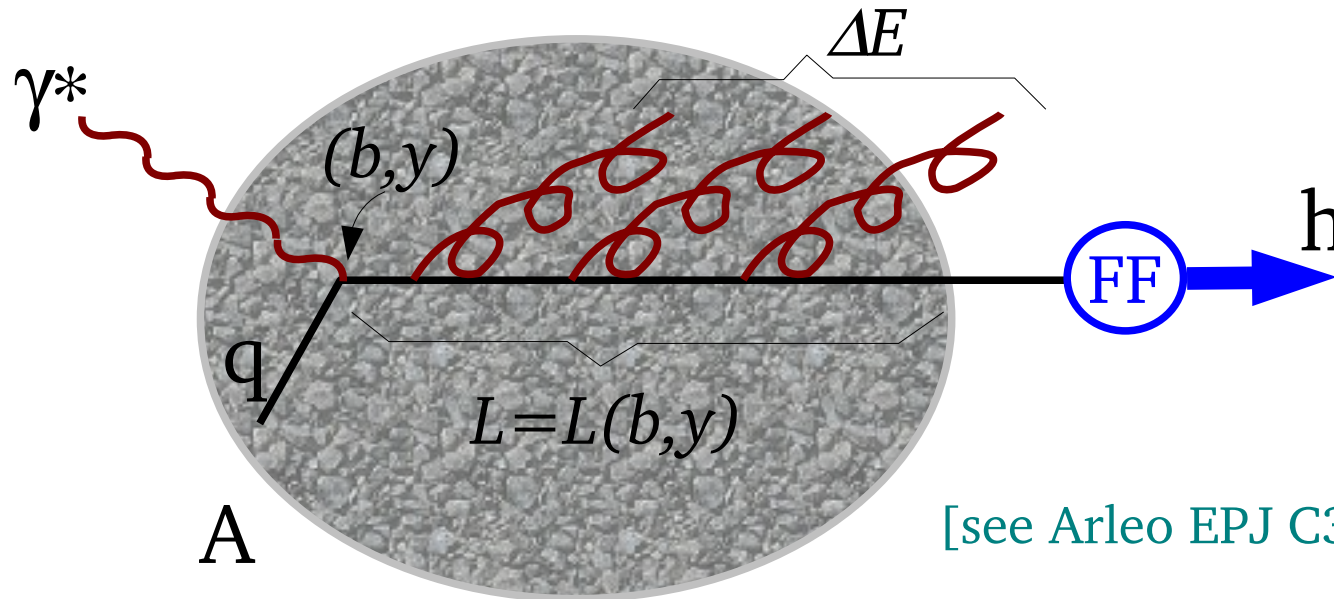


Note: in ref. above, curves differ by inclusion of  $Q^2$ -rescaling due to additional hypothesis of partial deconfinement in nuclei

## III.2 Energy loss model



# Energy loss model



- ★ The quark hadronizes outside the nucleus
- ★ Gluon bremsstrahlung  $\Rightarrow \Delta E \Rightarrow$  modified fragment. funct.

$$D_q^h(z, Q^2) \longrightarrow \frac{1}{1 - \Delta z} D_q^h\left(\frac{z}{1 - \Delta z}, Q^2\right) \quad ; \quad \Delta z = \Delta E/\nu$$

- ★ New: use quenching weights  $P(\Delta z, L)$  with corrections for finite in-medium path  $L=L(b, y)$  [Salgado-Wiedemann, PRD68(03)162301]

$$\tilde{D}_f^h(z, Q^2; L) = \int_0^{(1-z)} d\Delta z \underbrace{\mathcal{P}(\Delta z; \hat{q}, L)}_{\text{prob. of radiating } \Delta z} \frac{1}{1 - \Delta z} D_f^h\left(\frac{z}{1 - \Delta z}, Q^2\right) + \underbrace{p_0(\hat{q}, L)}_{\text{prob. of radiating no gluons}} D_f^h(z, Q^2)$$

# Energy loss model - realistic geometry

★ New: Full integration over  $\gamma^*q$  interaction point  $(b,y)$

$$\frac{1}{N_A^{DIS}} \frac{dN_A^h(z)}{dz} = \frac{1}{\sigma^{lA}} \int d^2b dy \rho_A(b,y) \int_{\text{exp. cuts}} dx d\nu \sum_f e_f^2 q_f(x, Q^2) \frac{d\sigma^{lq}}{dx d\nu} \tilde{D}_f^h(z, Q^2; L(b,y))$$

★ Realistic nuclear density: Woods-Saxon parametrization for  $A > 2$

Reid's soft-core for 2D

$$L(b,y) = 2 \int_y^\infty dz (z-y) \rho(b,z) \Big/ \int_y^\infty dz \rho(b,z) \quad (= R(b) - y \text{ for Hard-Sphere})$$

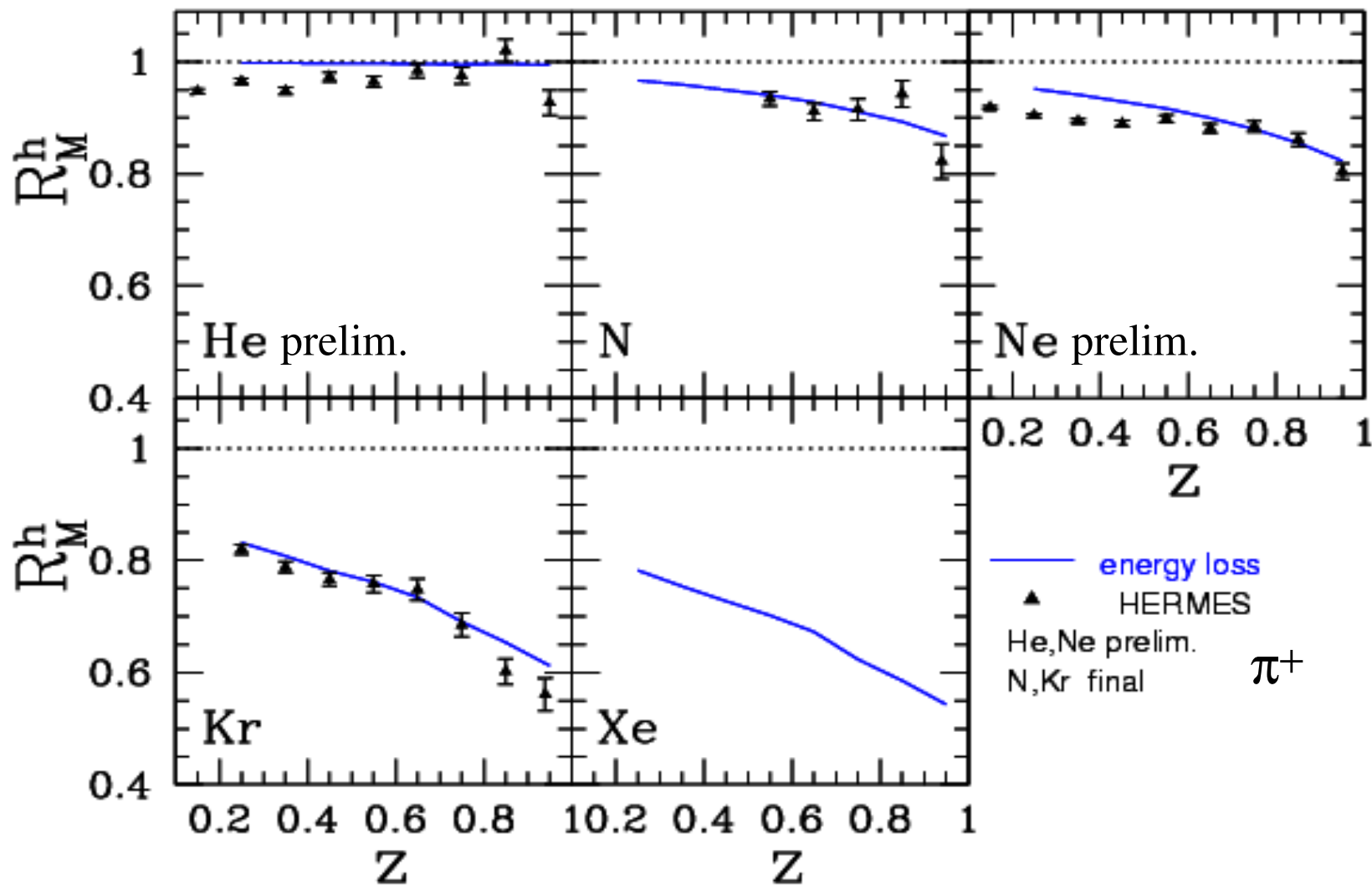
$$\langle \rho \rangle(b,y) = \int_y^\infty dz \rho(b,z) \Big/ L(b,y) \quad (= \rho_{HS} \text{ for Hard-Sphere})$$

★ Transport coefficient

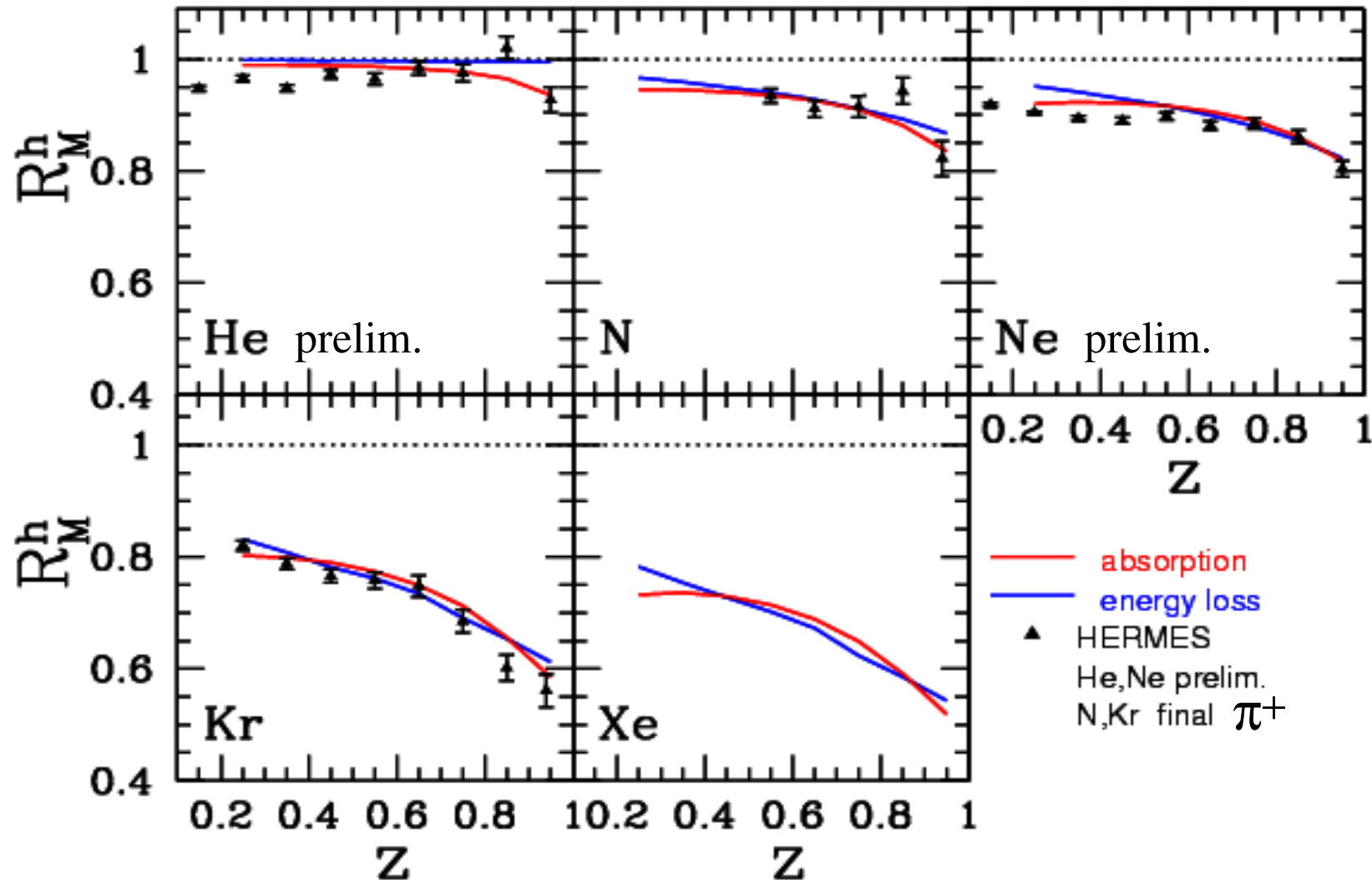
$$\langle \hat{q} \rangle(b,y) = \hat{q}_0 \frac{\langle \rho \rangle(b,y)}{\rho(0,0)} \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{q}_0 = \langle \hat{q} \rangle(0,0)$$

with  $\hat{q}_0 = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$  - fitted to  $e^+ + \text{Kr} \rightarrow \pi^+ + X$

# Energy loss model - results



# Energy loss vs. absorption



- ★ Both models account well for HERMES  $R_M$  data
- ★ Surprisingly similar up to heavy nuclei

## III.3 The " $A^{2/3}$ power law"

# A-dependence - naïve argument

At first order – i.e., for light nuclei:

a) Energy loss (LPM effect):

$$1-R_M \sim \langle \Delta z \rangle \sim L^2 \sim A^{2/3}$$

very naive,  
incorrect,  
but not too wrong...

b) Hadron absorption:

~~$$1-R_M \sim \langle \text{no. of rescatterings} \rangle \sim L \sim A^{1/3}$$~~

**WRONG!**

~~⇒ a simple fit of  $1-R_M$  to  $A^\alpha$  should discriminate the 2 models~~

# Let's really expand in powers of $A^{1/3}$

★ Approximations for analytic formulae:

➔ hard-sphere nuclei ( $R_A = r_0 A^{1/3}$ )

➔ neglect nuclear effects on  ${}^2\text{H}$

★ **Energy loss model**

➔ neglect finite size corrections

➔ large  $v \Rightarrow$  neglect boundary in  $\int_0^{1-z} d\Delta z$  - no energy conservation!

$$1 - R_M^{\text{en.loss}} = \underbrace{\frac{C_F \alpha_s r_0^2 \hat{q}}{5 \nu} \left[ -1 - z \frac{\partial_z D(z)}{D(z)} \right]}_{\text{coefficient is } z\text{-dependent}} A^{2/3} + \text{h.o.t.}$$

coefficient is  $z$ -dependent  
 $\Rightarrow$  fragmentation dynamics

Energy loss yields  $A^{2/3}$  as expected at leading order

where do h.o.t. begin to break  $A^{2/3}$  ?

# Let's really expand in powers of $A^{1/3}$

## ★ Hadron absorption model

- prehadron formed inside  $A$ , hadron outside  
(it's a good approximation, see A.A. et al. NPA720(03)13)

$$1 - R_M^{\text{abs.}} = \underbrace{\frac{2\rho_0 r_0^2}{5} \frac{\sigma_*}{\langle l^* \rangle(z)}}_{\text{fragmentation dynamics}} A^{2/3} + \text{h.o.t.}$$

!!!

**Hadron absorption follows  $A^{2/3}$  law, as well!**

## ★ to distinguish energy loss and absorption:

- 1) check breaking of  $A^{2/3}$  law
- 2) don't forget the coefficient: it contains dynamics



# Why $A^{2/3}$ also for absorption?

- ★ Absorption can, quite generally, be approximated in terms of

$$1 - R_M \approx \frac{\pi \rho_0}{A} \int_0^{R^2} db^2 \int_{-R(b)}^{R(b)} dy \int_y^\infty dx \underbrace{\mathcal{P}_*(x-y)}_{\substack{\text{prob. distrib. for } h^* \\ \text{production length}}} \left[ 1 - e^{-\rho_0 \sigma_* \int_x^\infty ds \Theta(R(b)-|s|)} \right]$$

- ★ If  $\mathcal{P}_*(x-y) = \delta(x-y) \Rightarrow 1 - R_M = c A^{1/3}$  (e.g. Falter's et al. leading  $h_*$ )

- ★ If not, we have a dimensionful scale  $\langle l_* \rangle = \int_0^\infty dx x \mathcal{P}_*(x)$

- ★ After all integrations we obtain an extra power of A:  $\left( \frac{R_A}{\langle l_* \rangle} \right)^n \propto A^{n/3}$

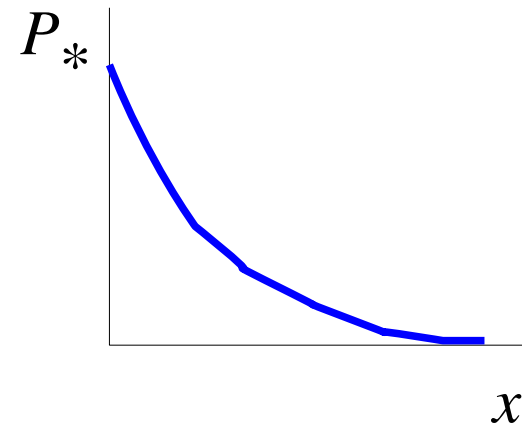
- ★ Theorem: if  $\mathcal{P}_*$  is normalizable  $\Rightarrow n > 0$

# Why $A^{2/3}$ also for absorption?

## ★ Special cases

$$1) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{P}_*(x) = k \neq 0 \implies 1 - R_M = c A^{2/3} + \text{h.o.t.}$$

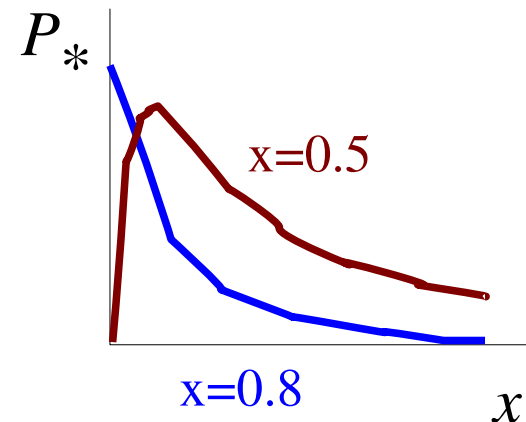
[e.g., the absorption model  
A.A. et al. NPA '05]



$$2) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{P}_*(x) = 0 \implies 1 - R_M = c A^\alpha + \text{h.o.t.}$$

[e.g., Kopeliovich et al. NPA...]

Not too different from case 1)



## III.4 $cA^\alpha$ fits

# $cA^\alpha$ fits

◆ to distinguish energy loss and absorption:

1) check breaking of  $A^{2/3}$  law

2) don't forget the coefficient: it contains dynamics

◆ the simplest option:

i) choose a set of nuclei  $\{A_1, A_1, \dots, A_N\}$

ii) fit  $1-R_M(z) = c(z) A^{\alpha(z)}$  as a function of A

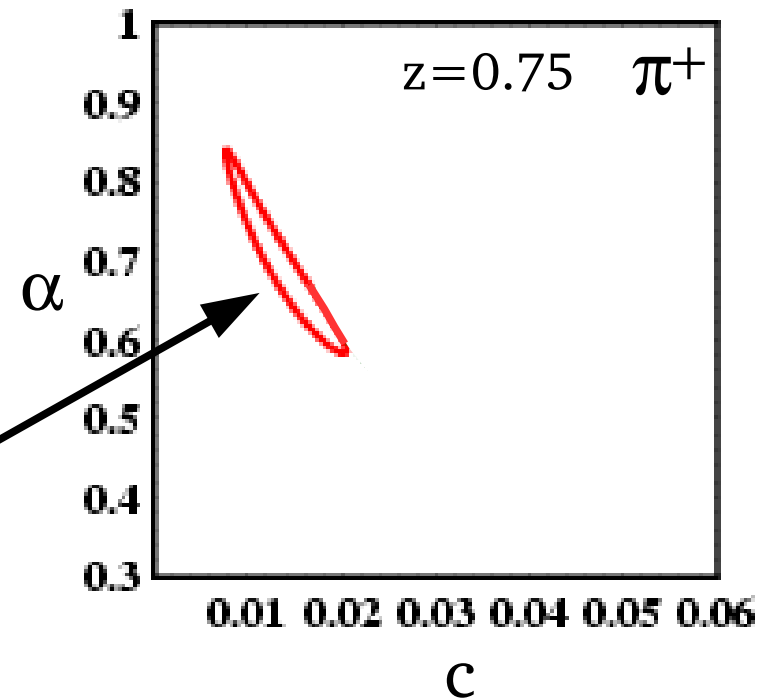
→ at fixed  $z$  (or  $v$  or  $Q^2$ )

→ with  $c$  and  $\alpha$  as free parameters

iii) draw a  $2\sigma$  confidence contour

in the  $(c, \alpha)$  plane

★ Example: absorption model at  $z = 0.75$   
with  $\{\text{He, N, Ne, Kr}\}$  included in the fit

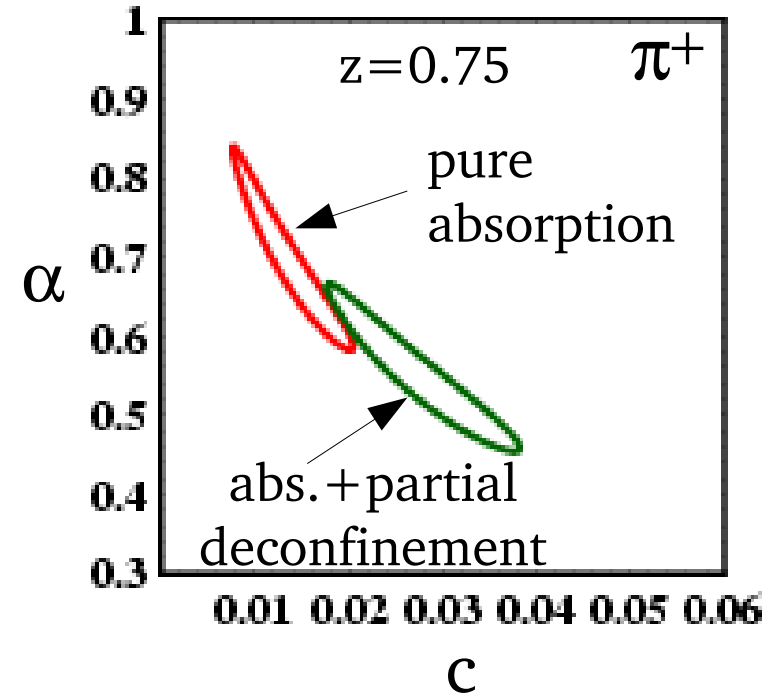


# The power of $cA^\alpha$ fits

## ◆ sensitive to model assumptions

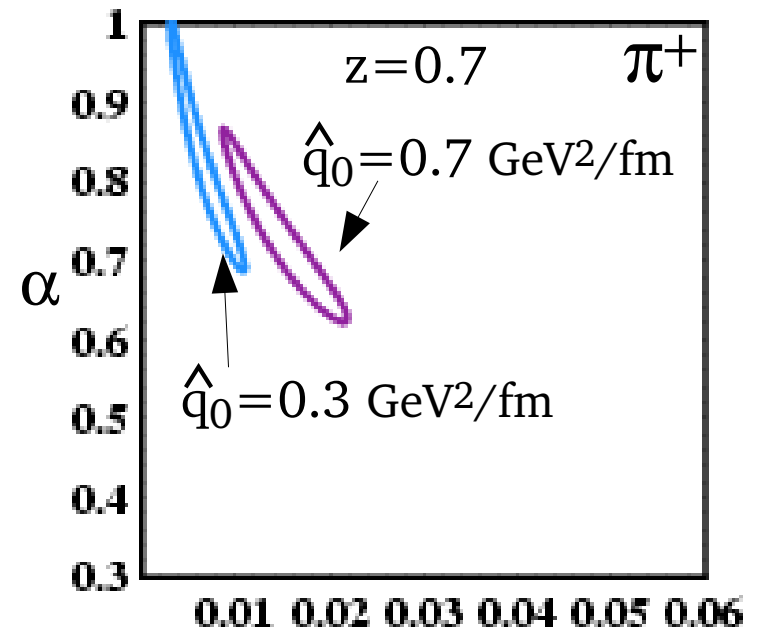
E.g., pure absorption vs. absorption plus partial quark deconfinement:

$$Q^2 \rightarrow \xi(A, Q^2) \times Q^2$$

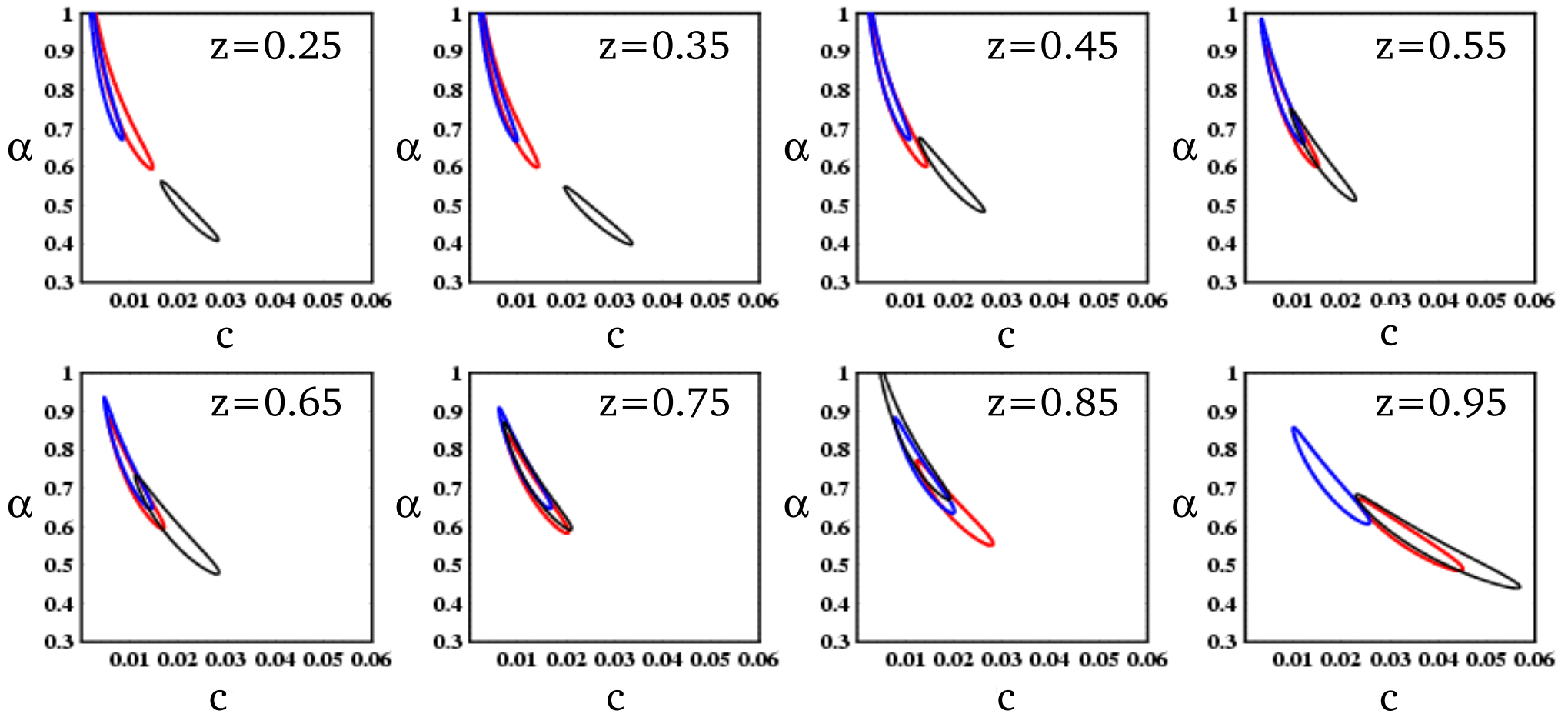


## ◆ sensitive to model parameters

E.g., energy loss with  $\hat{q}_0 = 0.3 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$  vs.  $\hat{q}_0 = 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$



# HERMES vs. theory - $\pi^+$



Nuclei included in the fit: He, N, Ne, Kr

- absorption model -  $\sigma_* = 2/3 \sigma_h$
- energy loss model -  $\hat{q} = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$
- HERMES data

# HERMES vs. theory - $\pi^+$

- ◆ **Data and absorption are consistent with  $A^{2/3}$  - en.loss only partially**
- ◆ **Absorption and struck quark en.loss mimic each other**
  - not possible to distinguish (separate) the 2 mechanisms even using heavy nuclei
- ◆  **$cA^\alpha$  fits are powerful: may distinguish other models**
  - other implementations of energy loss
  - additional effects (e.g.  $Q^2$  rescaling and partial deconfinement)

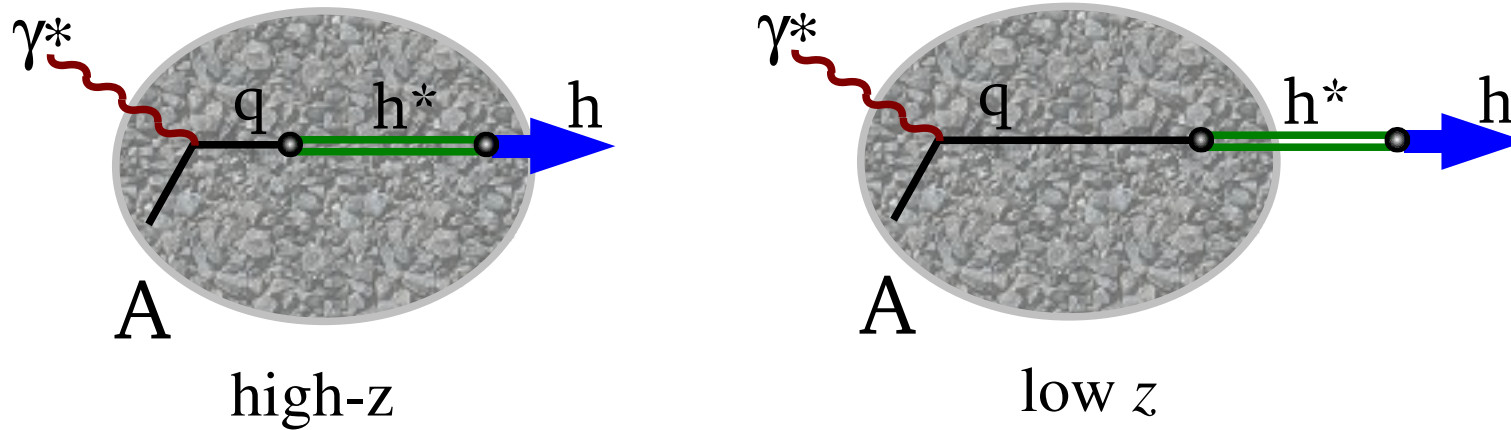
**A-dependence of RM cannot be conclusively used to test dominance of partonic or prehadronic physics**

**Need for more exclusive observables and data on different hadron flavors**

## III.5 More exclusive observables



# More exclusive observables



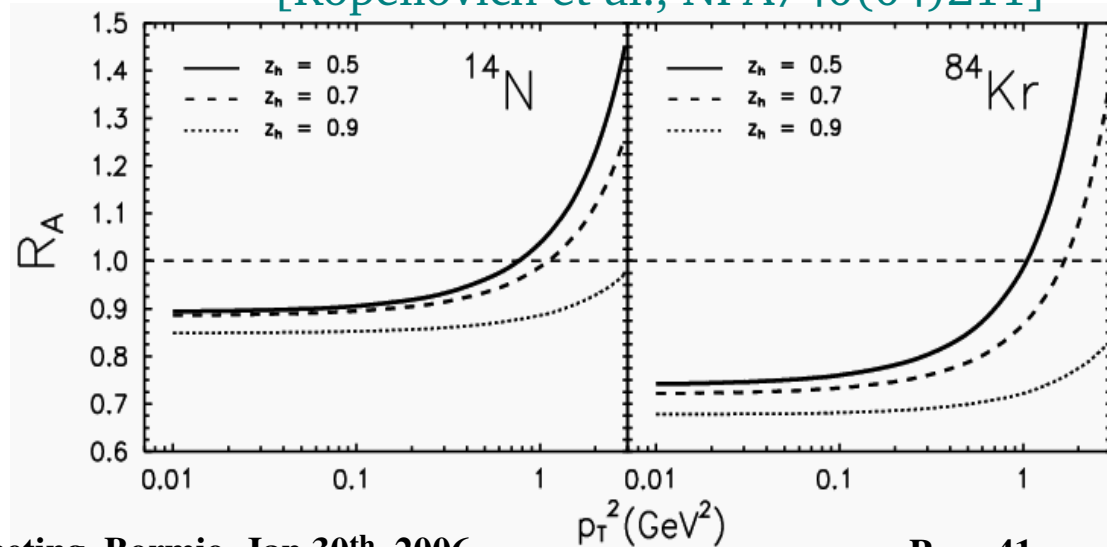
## ◆ $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$ broadening

- 1) Directly proportional to quark's in-medium path
- 2) Can measure production time  $t_p$
- 3) Detect hadronization inside or outside the nucleus

## ◆ $p_T$ distributions - Cronin effect

- 1)  $z$ -,  $v$ -,  $Q^2$ -dependence of Cronin effect

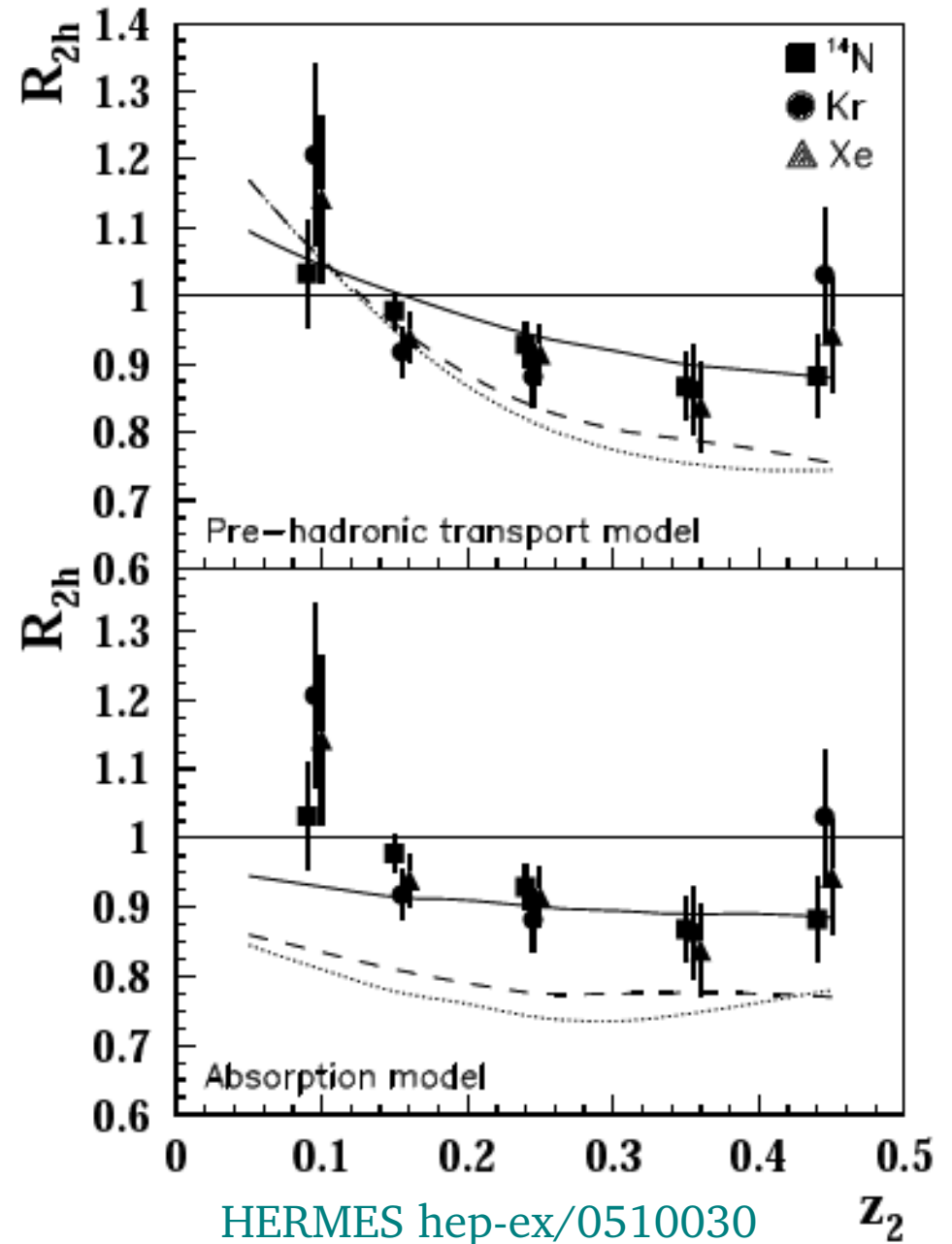
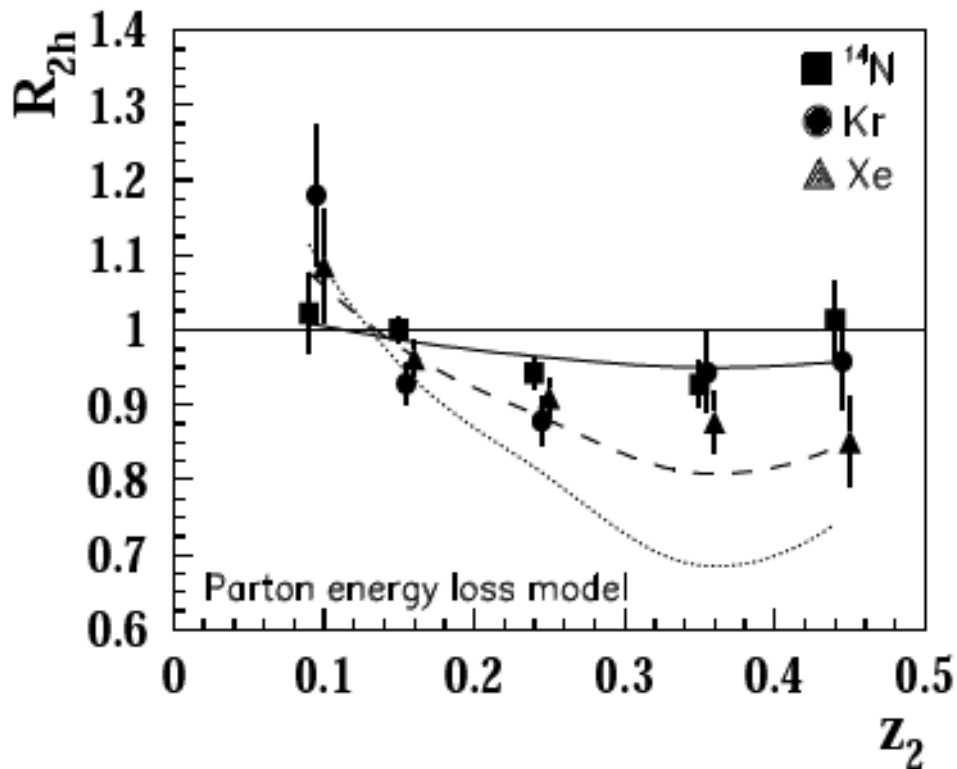
[Kopeliovich et al., NPA740(04)211]



# More exclusive observables

## ◆ double hadron attenuation

$$R_2(z_2) = \frac{\frac{N_2(z_2)}{N_1} \Big|_A}{\frac{N_2(z_2)}{N_1} \Big|_D}$$



# Conclusions

- ★ **It's not easy to separate absorption from energy loss effects, even in DIS**
  - Hadron absorption predicts  $R_M \sim A^{2/3}$  as well
  - Very important for accurately measuring QGP properties
- ★  **$cA^\alpha$  fits are powerful - A-dependence of  $R_M$  but will not solve the issue**
  - meaningful test of theory models – allows to study  $\alpha=\alpha(A)$
- ★ **For future experiments [JLAB, a few runs at HERMES]**
  - Use a few more targets to complete the light-to-heavy scan and allow precise  $cA^\alpha$  fits
  - Concentrate resources on collecting high statistics to access
    - 1) more exclusive observables (pT-broadening, Cronin vs.  $z$ , 2PC)
    - 2) heavy unflavored mesons ( $\phi, \eta, \omega$ )
    - 3) other baryons ( $\Lambda$ ) → light on baryon anomaly
    - 4) charmed mesons (D) → help for charm/bottom puzzle at RHIC
- ★ **On the theory side, need of studying**
  - in-medium modifications of DGLAP – breakdown of factorization at small  $t^*$  -- NLO contributions ( $\sim 1/2$  of the cross-section)

# Backup Slides

# An absorption+transport model for Au+Au

Falter et al., PRC 70(04)054609 – Greiner et al., NPA 735(04)277

★ Formation times:  $t_* = 0$  fm and  $t_h = (E_h/m_h) \tau_F$  with  $\tau_F = 0.5$  fm

Cross sections: leading h:  $\sigma_* = 1/2 \sigma_h$  (mesons)  $1/3 \sigma_h$  (barions)

subleading h:  $\sigma_* = 0$  mbarn

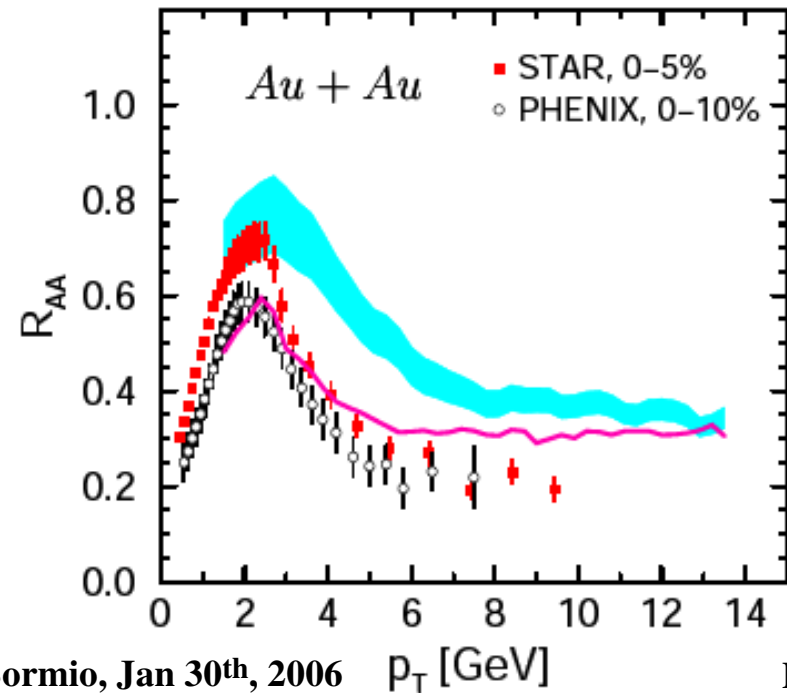
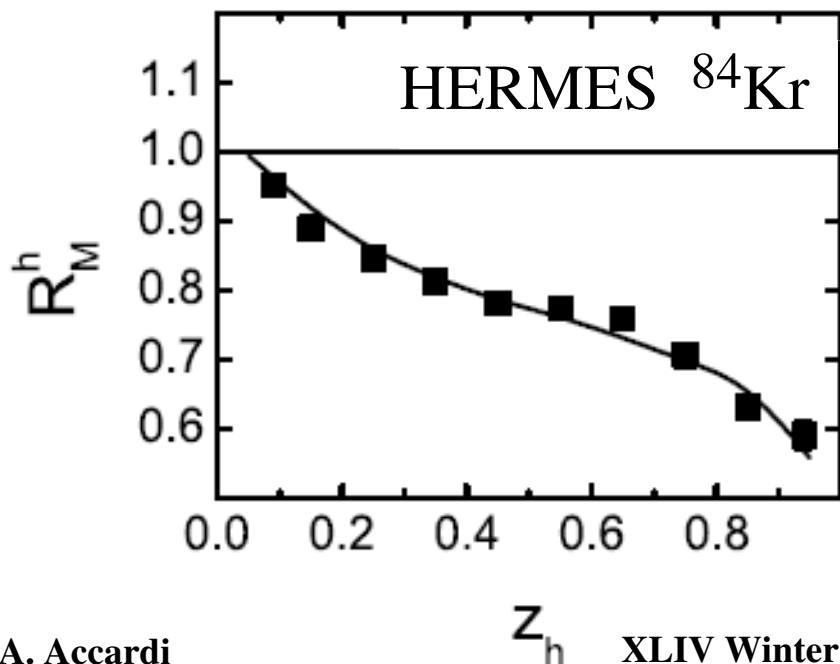
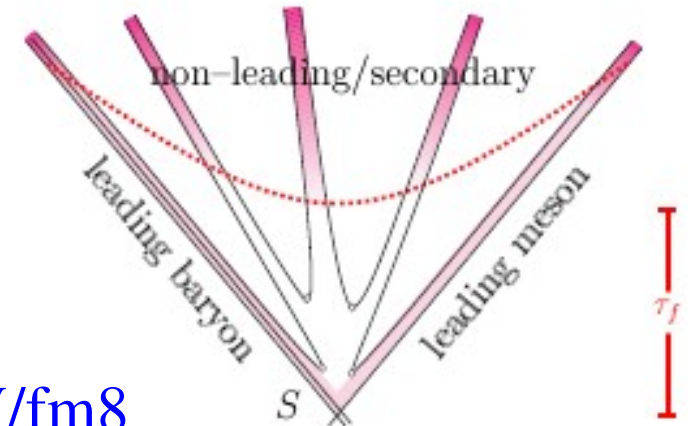
★ Final state X

➔ by PYTHIA and FRITJOF

➔ Fermi motion, Pauli blocking, shadowing

➔ evolved by BUU transport equations

★ In A+A: no hadron formation above  $\epsilon_{crit} = 1$  GeV/fm<sup>3</sup>



# IV. Perspectives

# The future: HERMES + JLAB

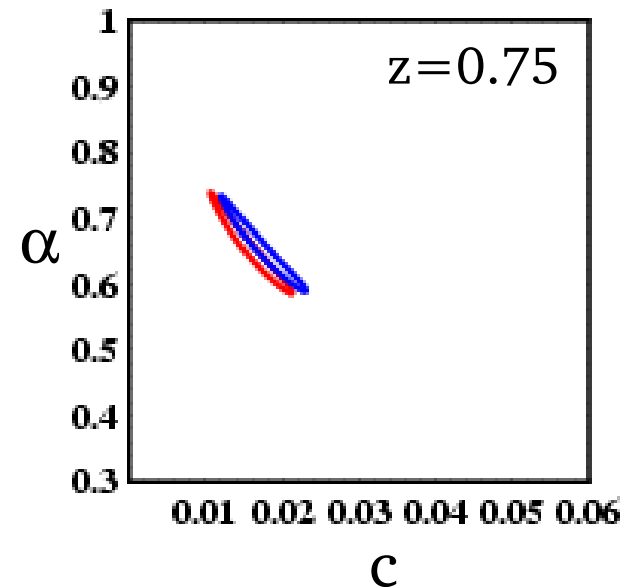
◆ Let's imagine to have many more targets:

- N,Ne,Kr,Xe from HERMES
- C,Fe,Sn,W,Au,Pb from JLAB

◆ Full set of targets

- shrinks contours
- constant  $\alpha$  is good

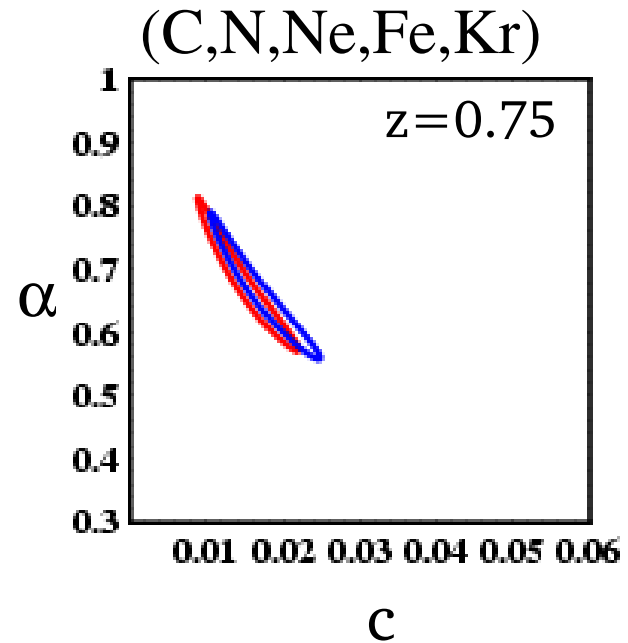
(C,N,Ne,Fe,Kr,Sn,Xe,W,Au,Pb)



# The future: HERMES + JLAB

## ◆ Only light nuclei

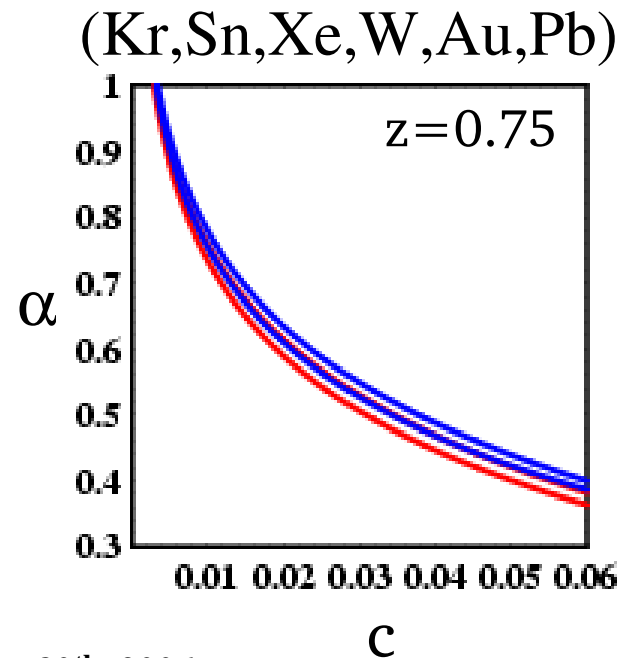
- ➔ contours bigger than full set; comparable to HERMES alone
- ➔ constant  $\alpha$  is a good assumption



## ◆ Only heavy nuclei

- ➔ elongated contours
- ➔ signal of  $\alpha=\alpha(A)$

Evidence for a running  
 $\alpha=\alpha(A)$  at large A





# What about $\omega$ , $\eta$ , $\phi$ ?

- ◆ What about heavier mesons -  $\omega$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\phi$  ?
  
- ◆ **Energy loss with hadronization outside**
  - 1) similar quark content as  $\pi$ :  $\omega, \eta, \phi = c_1(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}) + c_2(s\bar{s})$
  - 2) s quark is subdominant in HERMES and JLAB kinematics
  - 3)  $\Rightarrow$  similar attenuation to  $\pi$  (but beware the fragm. fn.)
  
- ◆ **Absorption point of view:**
  - 1) heavy  $\Rightarrow$  produced earlier than  $\pi \Rightarrow$  longer in-medium path
  - 2) earlier breakdown of  $A^{2/3}$  (extreme:  $\langle l^* \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow A^{1/3}$ )
  - 3) However...  $\phi$  has small hadronic cross-sections  
 $\Rightarrow$  smaller attenuation, compensates for 1) and 2)

# What about $\omega$ , $\eta$ , $\phi$ ?

◆ Can  $\omega$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\phi$  be measured at JLAB?

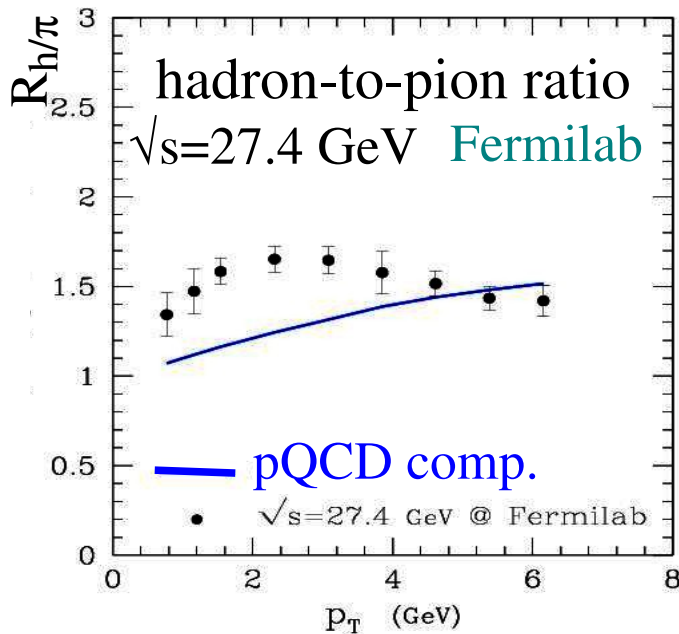
CLAS++ detector [W.Brooks, FizikaB13(04)321]

hadron	$c\tau$	mass (GeV)	flavor content	detection channel	production rate per 1k DIS events
$\pi^0$	25 nm	0.13	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}$	$\gamma\gamma$	1100
$\pi^+$	7.8 m	0.14	$ud$	direct	1000
$\pi^-$	7.8 m	0.14	$d\bar{u}$	direct	1000
$\eta$	0.17 nm	0.55	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}s\bar{s}$	$\gamma\gamma$	120
$\omega$	23 fm	0.78	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}s\bar{s}$	$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	170
$\eta'$	0.98 pm	0.96	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}s\bar{s}$	$\pi^+\pi^-\eta$	27
$\phi$	44 fm	1.0	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}s\bar{s}$	$K^+K^-$	0.8
$K^+$	3.7 m	0.49	$u\bar{s}$	direct	75
$K^-$	3.7 m	0.49	$\bar{u}s$	direct	25
$K^0$	27 mm	0.50	$d\bar{s}$	$\pi^+\pi^-$	42

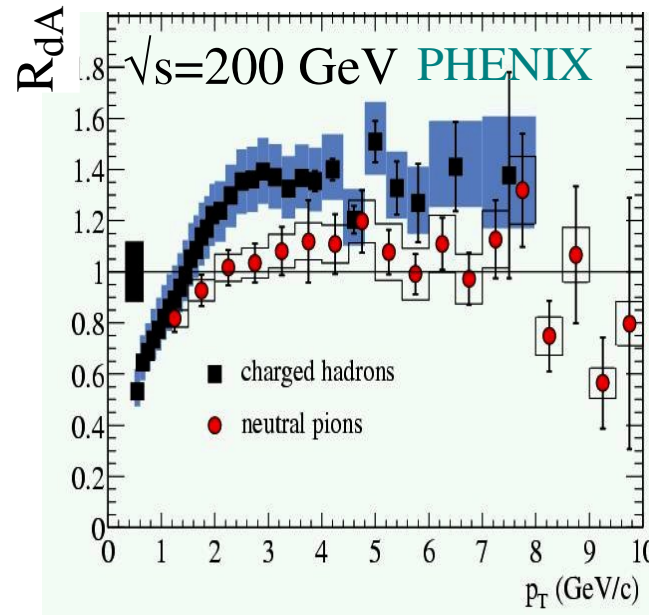
# Baryon sector

"Baryon anomaly" = difference between mesons and baryons production not understood in conventional models (e.g., pQCD)

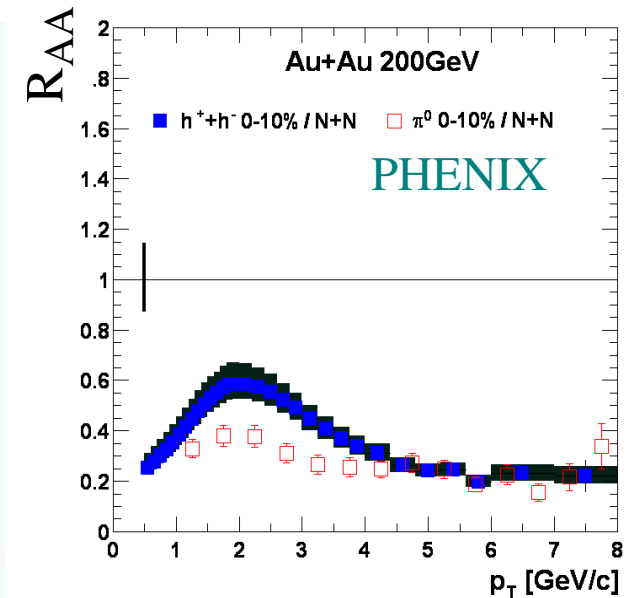
in p+p



in h+A



in A+A



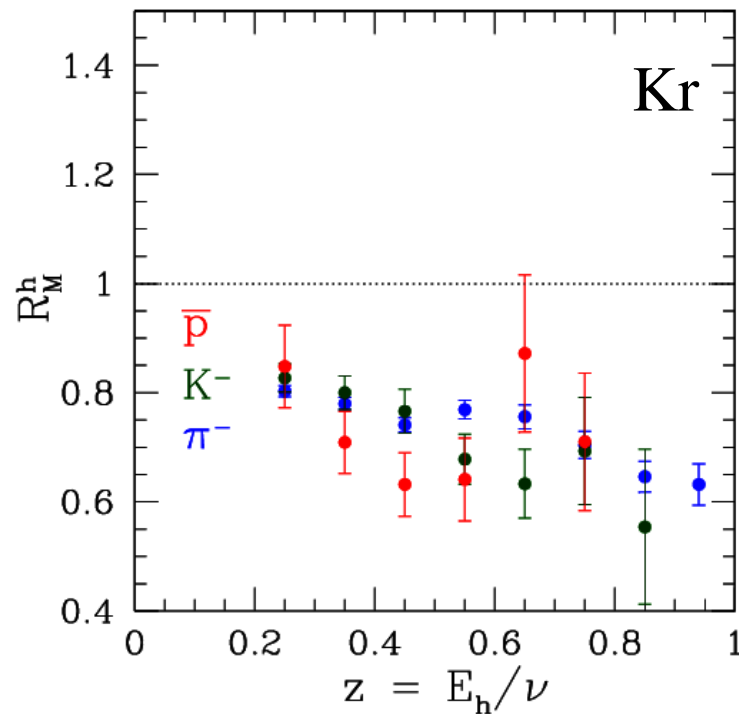
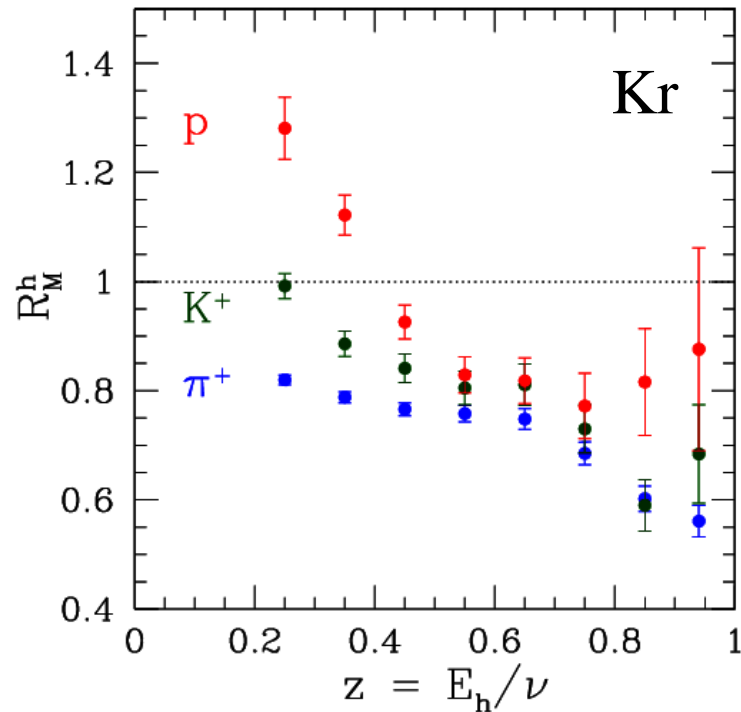
$$R_{h/\pi} = \frac{dN^h/d^2p_T}{dN^\pi/d^2p_T}$$

$$R_{BA} = \frac{1}{T_{BA}(b)} \frac{(dN^h/d^2p_T)_{d+A}}{(d\sigma^h/d^2p_T)_{p+p}}$$

# Baryon sector

- Almost no model is able to reproduce the proton's rise at low- $z$   
 $\Rightarrow$  **baryon anomaly also in nDIS!** (what about antibaryons?)

HERMES  $E_{\text{lab}}=27$  GeV - Phys.Lett.B577(03)37



**What is nDIS teaching us about the baryon anomaly?**  
 $\rightarrow$  same mechanism in nDIS and  $h(A)+A$  ?

(Baryon stopping? - String flip?)

# Baryon sector

- ◆ Baryon vs. antibaryons
- ◆ Is the baryon anomaly in nDIS only for protons?  $\Rightarrow$  measure  $\Lambda$ !  
(at RHIC  $R_{dAu}$  and  $R_{AuAu}$  similar for p and  $\Lambda$ )
- ◆  $\Lambda$  is accessible at HERMES - what about JLAB?

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$\Lambda$	79 mm	1.1	$uds$	$p\pi^-$	72
$\Lambda(1520)$	13 fm	1.5	$uds$	$p\pi^-$	-
$\Sigma^+$	24 mm	1.2	$us$	$p\pi^0$	6
$\Sigma^0$	22 pm	1.2	$uds$	$\Lambda\gamma$	11
$\Xi^0$	87 mm	1.3	$us$	$\Lambda\pi^0$	0.6
$\Xi^-$	49 mm	1.3	$ds$	$\Lambda\pi^-$	0.9



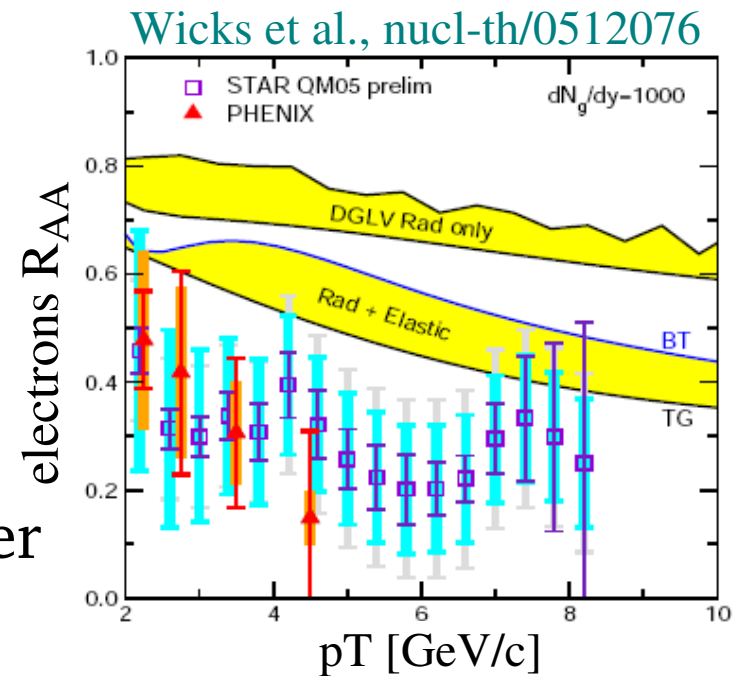
# Heavy flavours ?

- ◆ Heavy flavour puzzle at RHIC [QM2005, STAR, Djordjevic, Armesto]
  - ➡ single non-photonic  $e^-$  as much suppressed as  $\pi$
  - ➡  $e^-$  comes from  $D$  and  $B$  mesons  $\Rightarrow c$  and  $b$ -quarks
  - ➡ use NLO pQCD rates for  $c$  and  $b$  + heavy quark energy loss theory  $\Rightarrow$  *theory gives half of the observed suppression!*  
(*but compatible with c-quark suppression only...*)

- ◆ "If STAR  $R_{AA}(e^-)$  is confirmed, it will be a theoretical challenge to devise novel energy loss mechanisms able to explain these data."

M.Djordjevic, QM2005

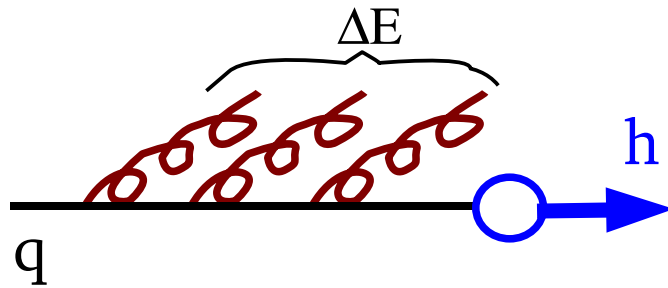
- ◆ Can JLAB measure identified  $D$  mesons?
  - ➡ study of  $c$ -quark attenuation in cold matter
  - ➡ help in solving heavy flavour puzzle



# A note on "energy loss"

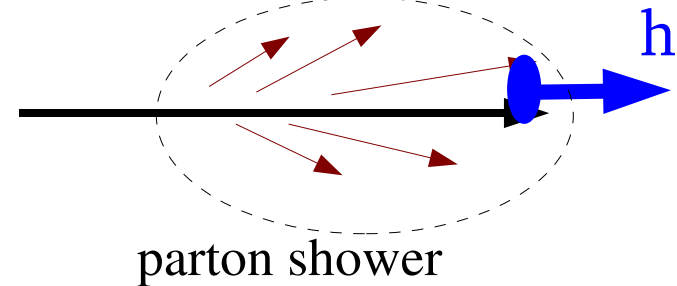
Many phenomena, the same name,  
the same effect (hadron attenuation at high- $z$ )

★ Gluon bremsstrahlung

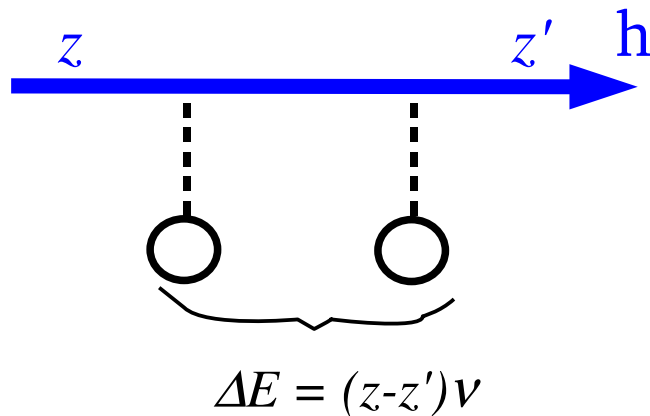


★ "Missed" hadronization  
in a colour screening medium

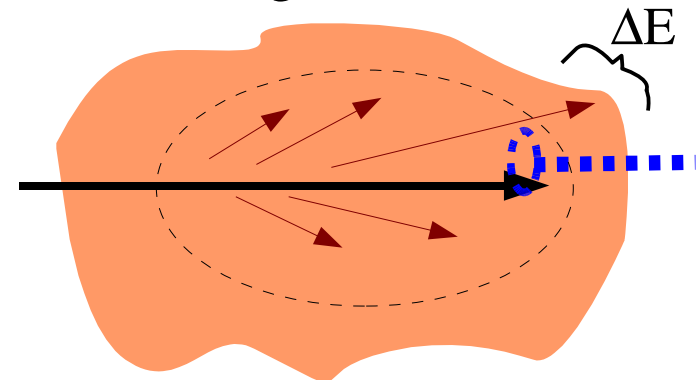
a) vacuum



★ Hadron-nucleon rescatterings



b) screening medium



The end