

SEARCH FOR THE ONSET OF COLOR
TRANSPARENCY
THROUGH ρ^0 ELECTROPRODUCTION ON NUCLEI

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EG2 experiment using the CLAS detector at Jefferson Lab

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An approximation of scattering through Quantum Mechanics

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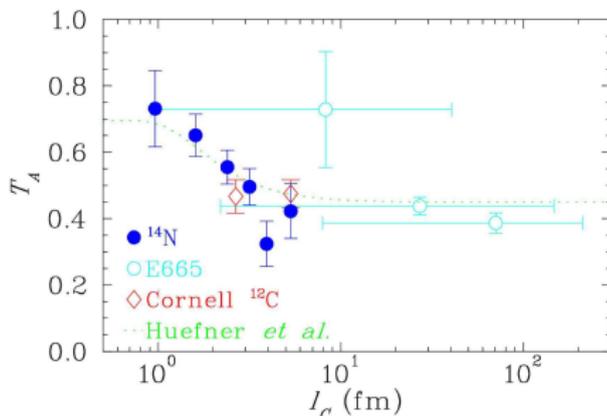
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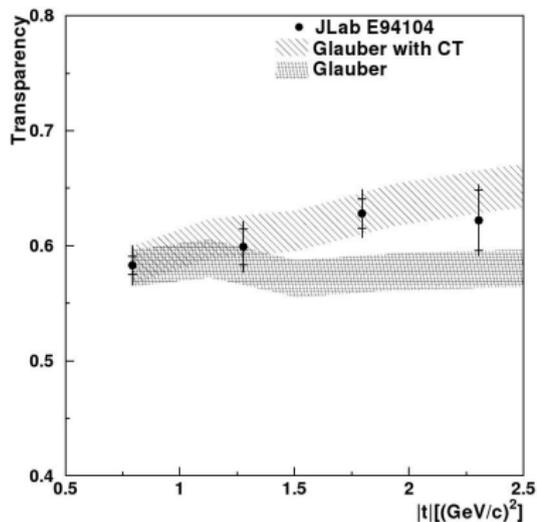
A lot of EXPERIMENTS since 1988

- Quasi-elastic $A(p,2p)$ [Brookhaven]
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- Di-jets diffractive dissociation. [Fermilab]
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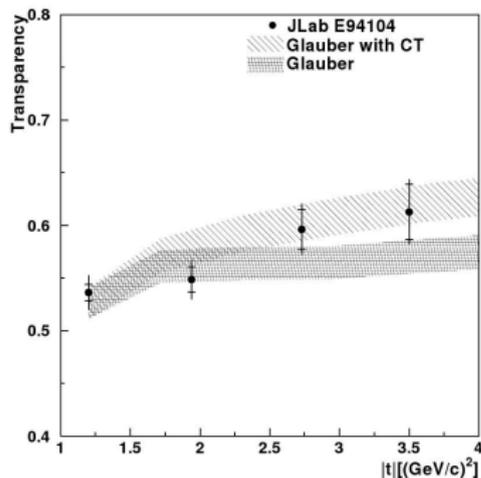
OTHER EXPERIMENTS, Thomas Jefferson Lab: Hall A

D. Dutta, PRC 68, 021001 (2003)

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at $\theta_{cm}^\pi = 70^\circ$



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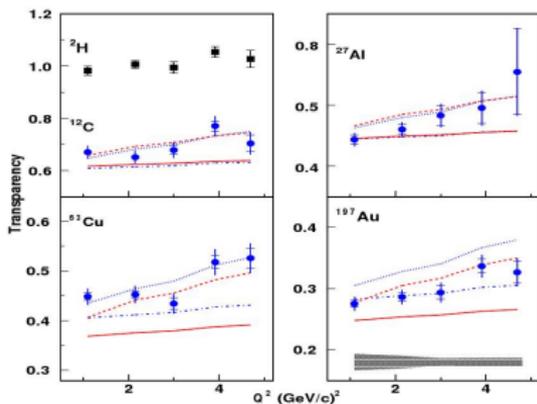
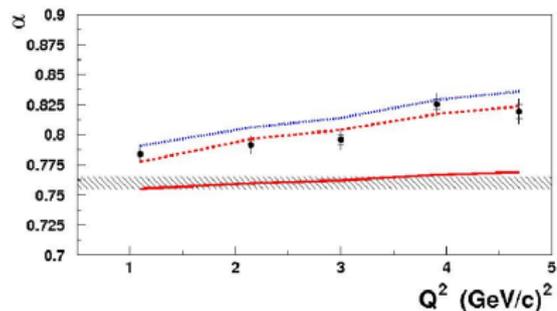
Thomas Jefferson Lab: Hall C

B. Clasie, PRL 99, 242502 (2007)

Pion e-production on $^2H, ^{12}C, ^{27}Al, ^{63}Cu$ and ^{197}Au ,

$(\gamma^* p \rightarrow n \pi^+)$

$$T = \frac{(\frac{\tilde{Y}}{Y_{MC}})_A}{(\frac{\tilde{Y}}{Y_{MC}})_H}$$



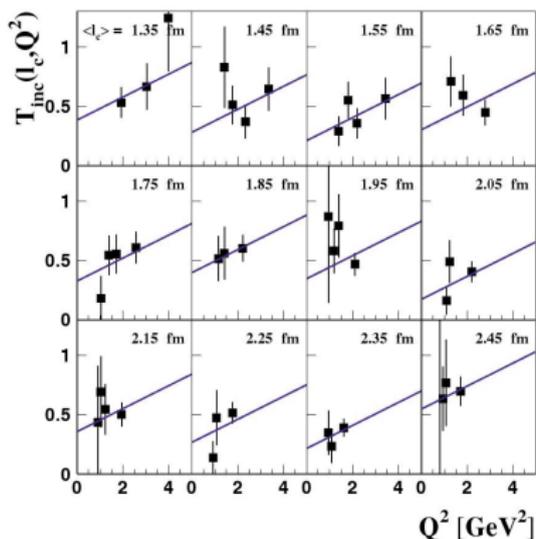
$$T = A^{\alpha-1}, \text{ with } \alpha \sim 0.76$$

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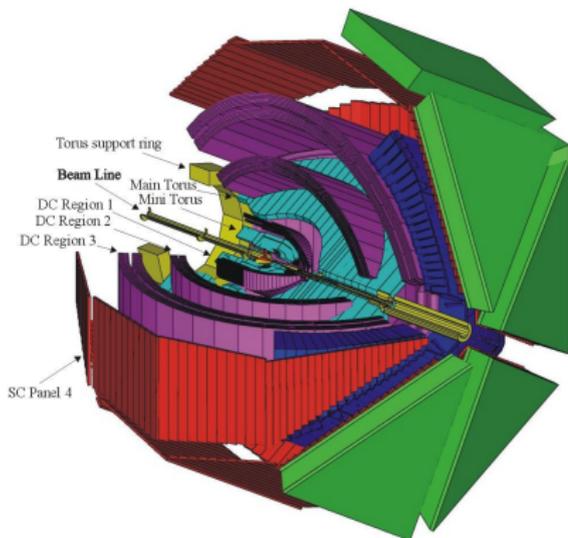
Measurement of the Nuclear Transparency, incoherent ρ^0 prod.

$T_A = P_0 + P_1 Q^2$, with $P_1 = (0.089 \pm 0.046 \pm 0.020) \text{GeV}^{-2}$

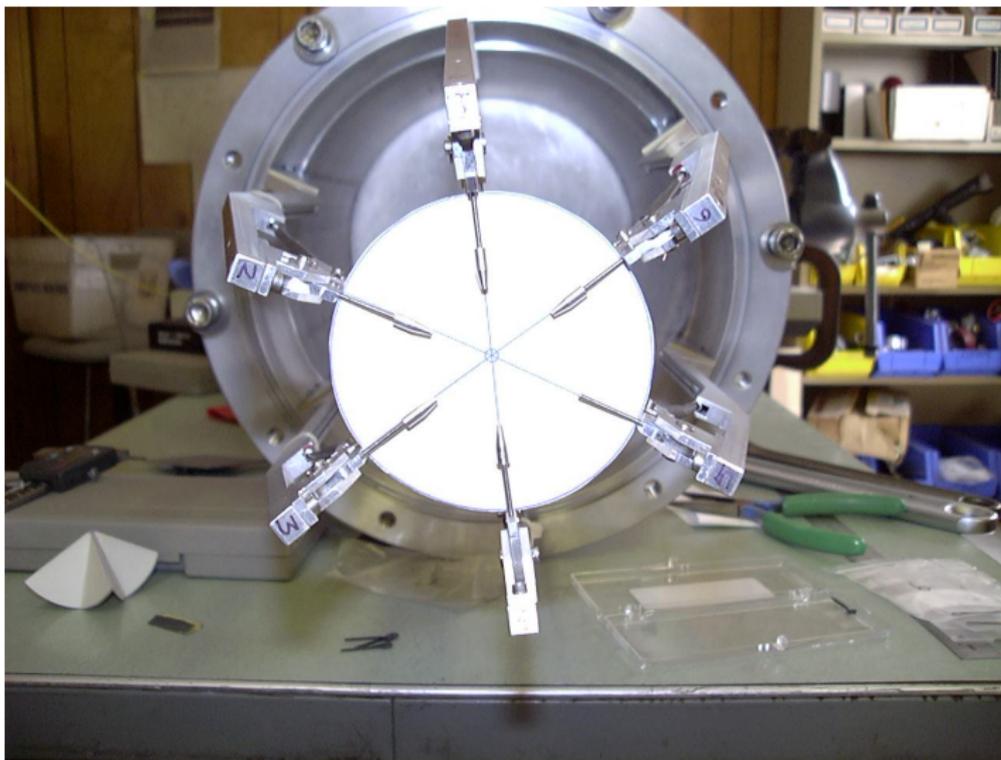


Thomas Jefferson Lab: CLAS EG2 experiment

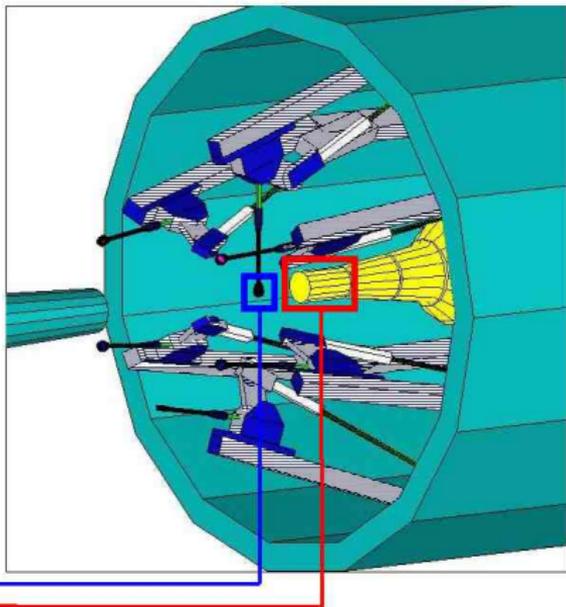
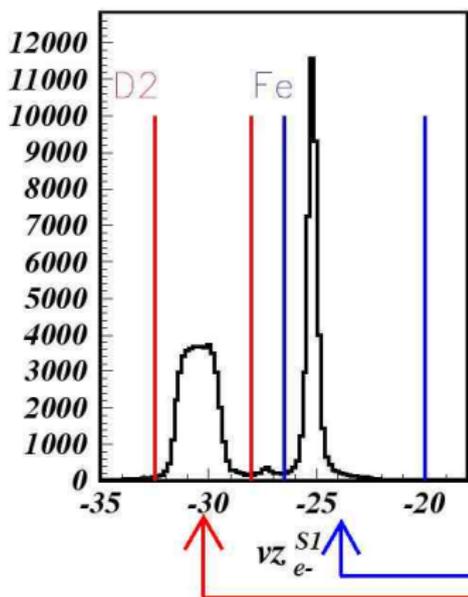
- Electron Beam 5GeV (50 days) & 4GeV (7days)
- Targets: D&Fe, D&C, D&Pb
- Luminosity $\sim 2 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$



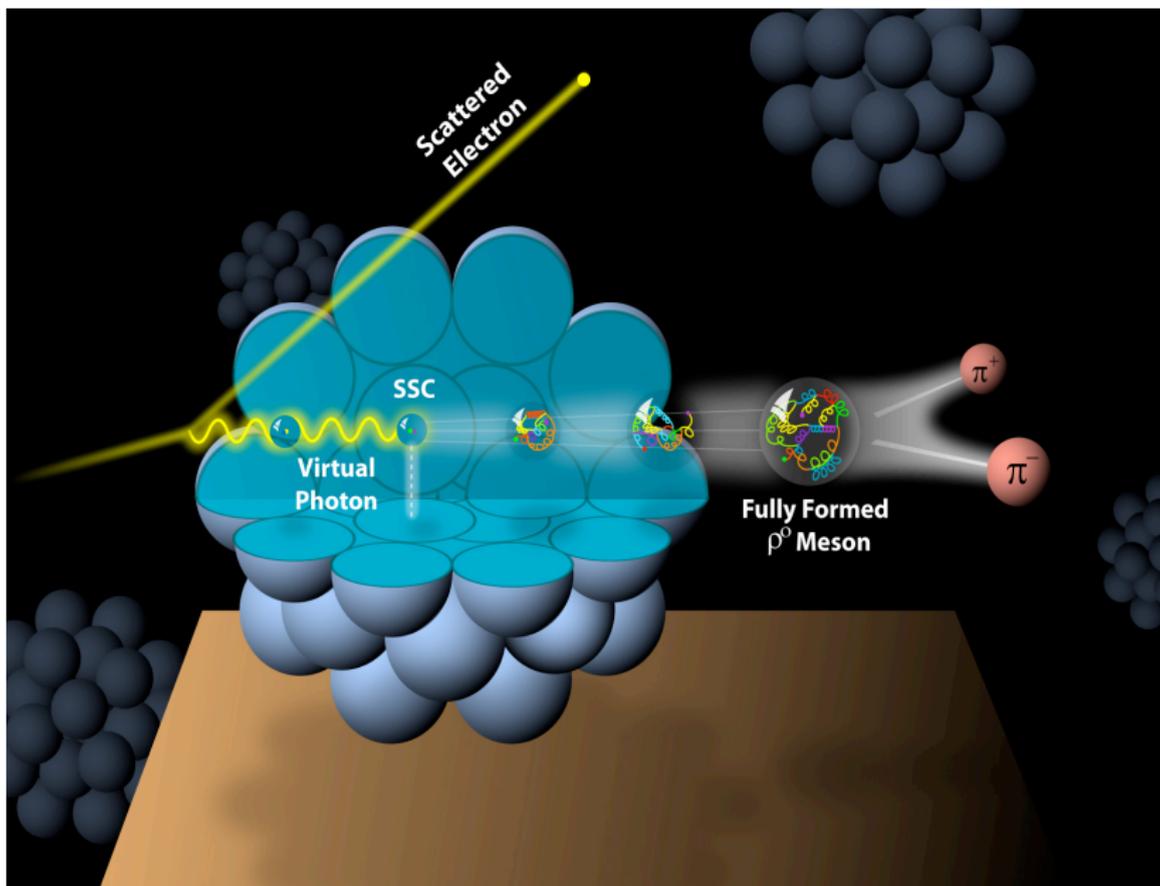
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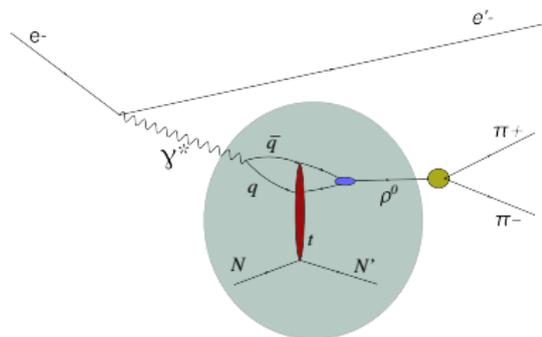
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Reaction



Reaction Variables and kinematical cuts



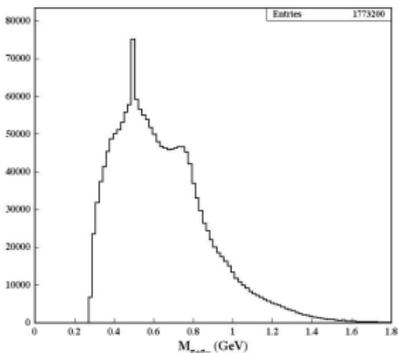
- $Q^2 = -(q_{\gamma^*}^\mu)^2 \sim 4E_e E_{e'} \sin^2(\frac{\theta}{2})$
- $\nu = E_e - E_{e'}$
- $t = (q_{\gamma^*}^\mu - p_{\rho^0}^\mu)^2$
- $W^2 = (q_{\gamma^*}^\mu + p_N^\mu)^2 \sim -Q^2 + M_p^2 + 2M_p\nu$

Data Selection:

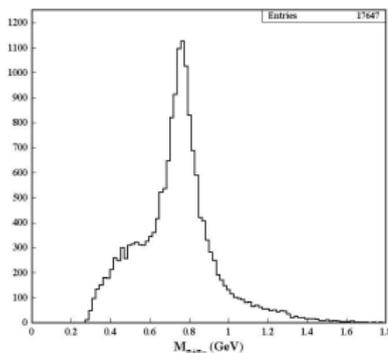
- $W > 2\text{GeV}$, to avoid the resonance region
- $-t > 0.1\text{GeV}^2$ to exclude coherent production off the nucleus
- $-t < 0.4\text{GeV}^2$ to be in the diffractive region
- $z = \frac{E_{\rho}}{\nu} > 0.9$ to select the elastic process

$M_{\pi\pi}$ invariant mass, showing ρ^0 peak

After w cut



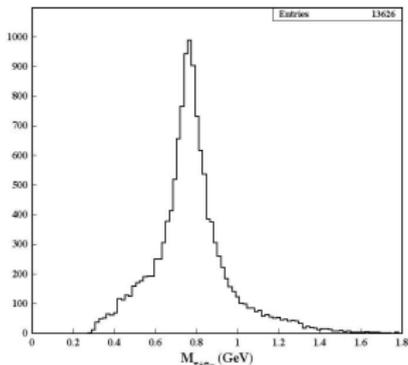
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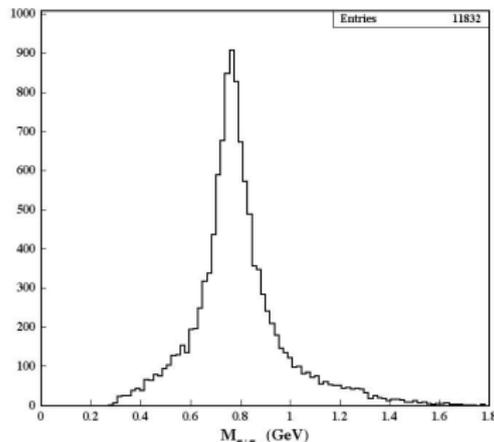
Kinematical cuts:

- Select the physics of interest
- Enhance the ρ^0 peak
- Cut a lot of data

After w and t cuts

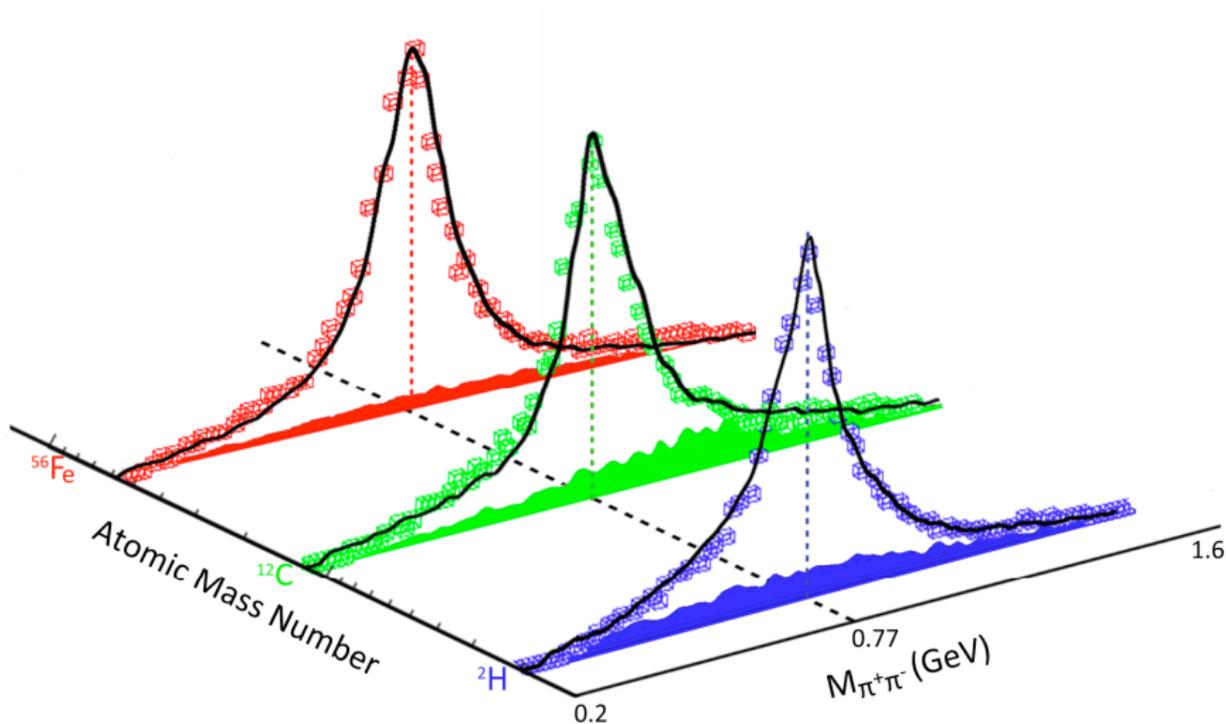


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Invariant mass for H_2 , C and Fe



Extraction of the Nuclear Transparency

- The goal of the experiment is to determine the Nuclear Transparency $T_A^{\rho^0}$ as a function of Q^2 and l_c

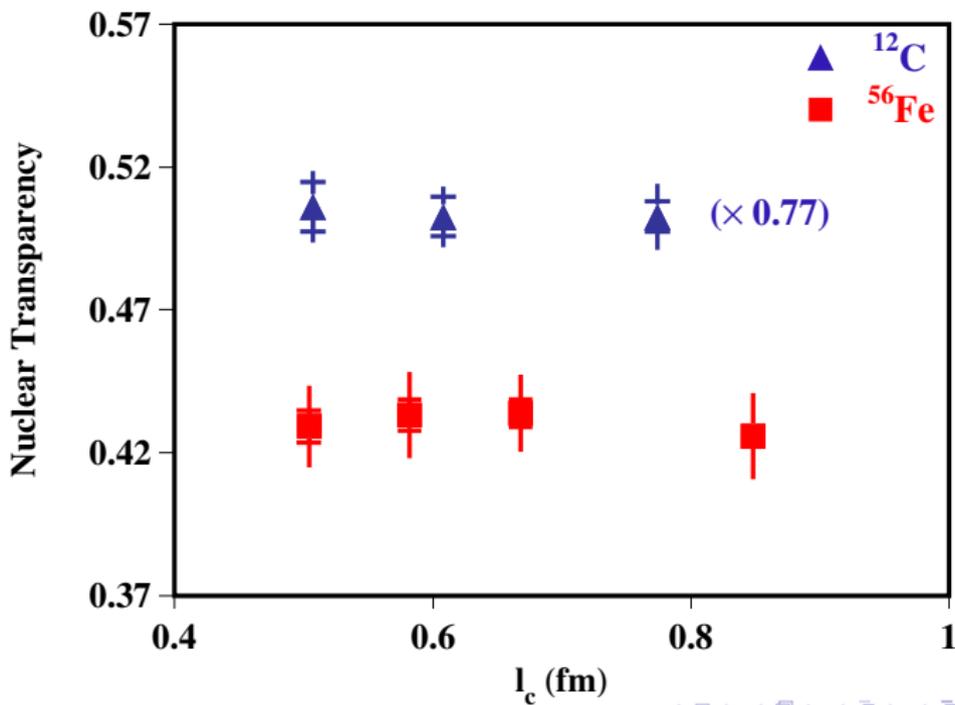
$$T_A^{\rho^0} = \frac{\left(\frac{N_A^{\rho^0}}{L_A^{int}}\right)}{\left(\frac{N_D^{\rho^0}}{L_D^{int}}\right)}$$

- where L_A^{int} is the integrated luminosity for the target A

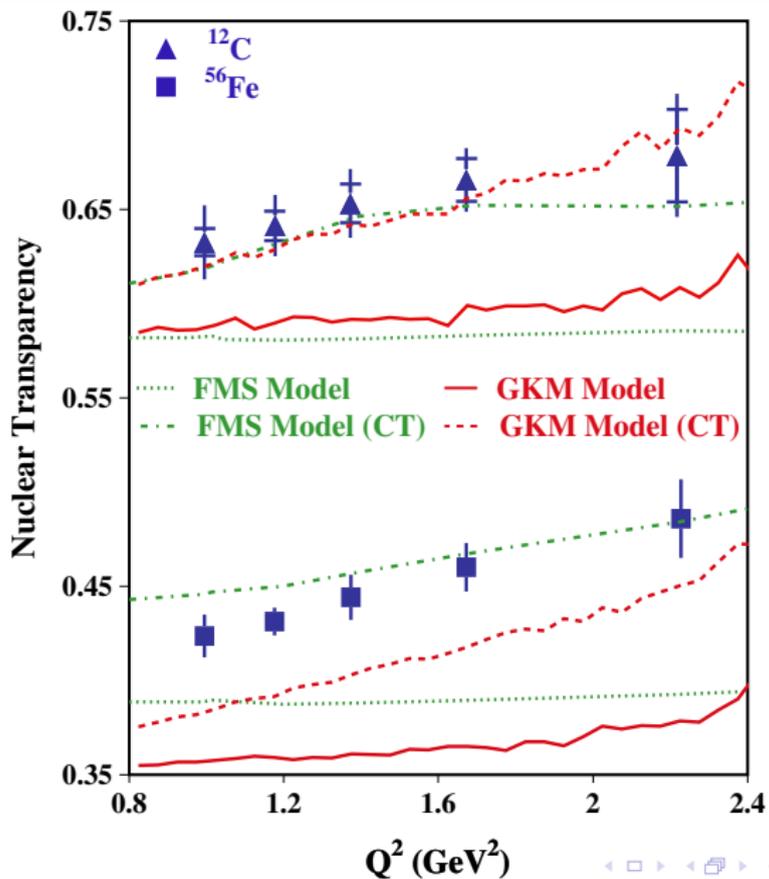
$$L_A^{int} = n_A^{nucleons} \frac{Q_{int}}{q_e}$$

Nuclear Transparency for Iron and Carbon

l_c dependence of Nuclear Transparency



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Nucleus	Measured Slopes	Model Predictions		
	GeV^{-2}	KNS	GKM	FMS
C	$0.044 \pm 0.015_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.019_{\text{syst}}$	0.06	0.06	0.025
Fe	$0.053 \pm 0.008_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.013_{\text{syst}}$	0.047	0.047	0.032

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- Thank you for your time

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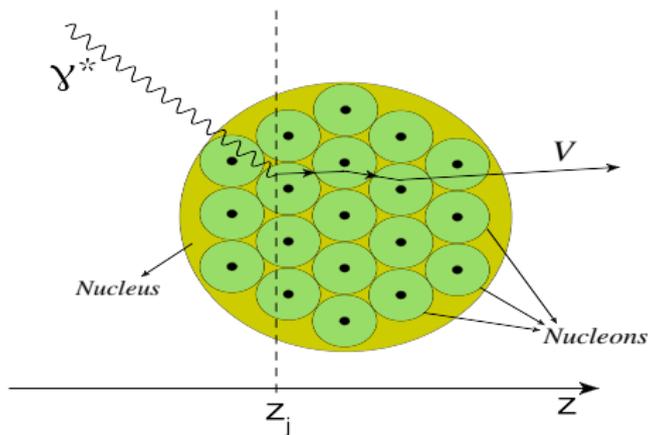
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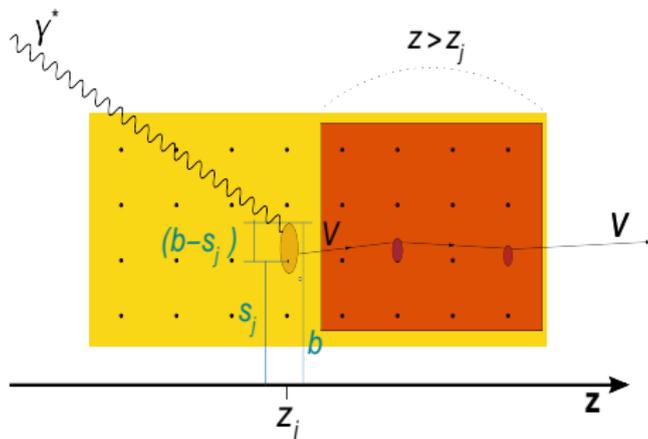
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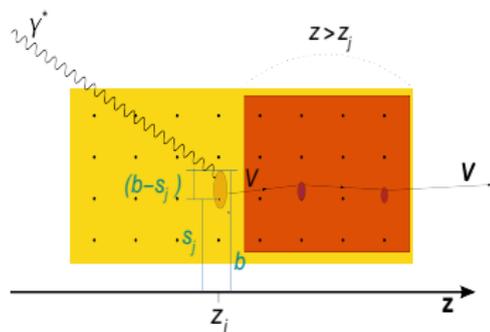
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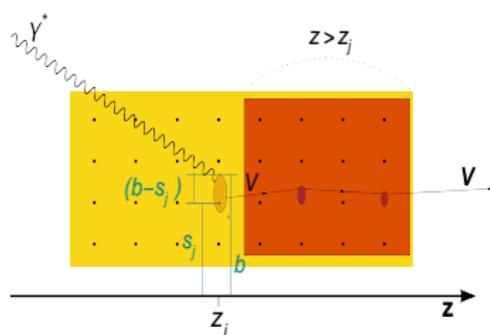


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(b)

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- The γ^* interacts simultaneously with all the target nucleons within a distance l_c

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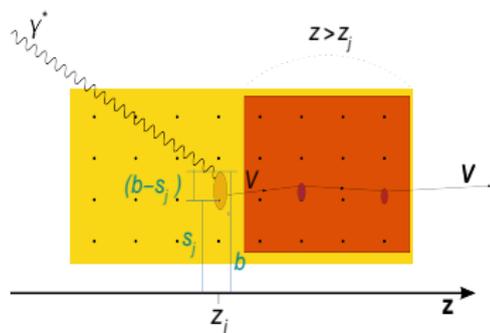
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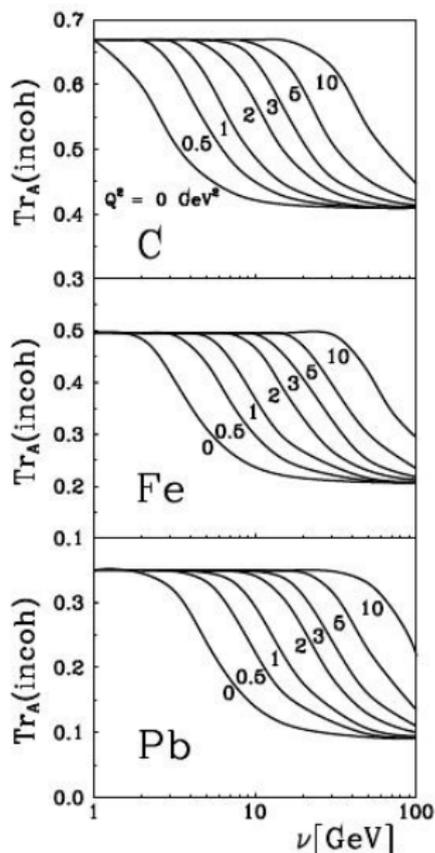
- small scattering ($\vec{k} \sim \vec{k}'$) on the nuclei with $z_k > z_j$
- $\vec{k} \sim \vec{k}' \sim \parallel \hat{z} \implies (\vec{k} - \vec{k}') \sim \perp \hat{z}$
- $\Gamma(\vec{b}) = (e^{i\chi(\vec{b})} - 1)$ and $\chi_{tot}^{VV} = \sum_m \chi_m^{VV}(\vec{b} - \vec{s}_m)$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$e^{i \sum_m \chi_m^{VV}(\vec{b} - \vec{s}_m)} = \prod_m (1 - \Gamma_m^{VV}(\vec{b} - \vec{s}_m))$$



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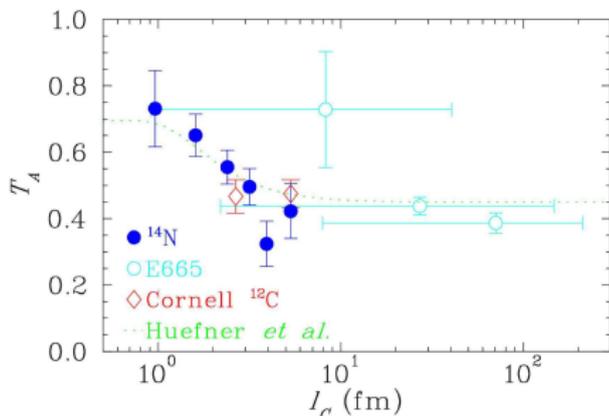
- with this easy model (J.Hüfner and oth., arXiv:nucl-th 9605007) were able to parameterize the Q^2 and ν dependence of the Nuclear Transparency due to Coherence length effect

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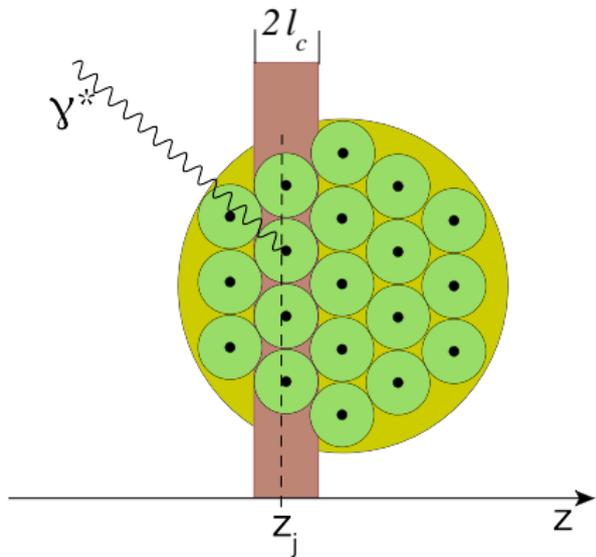


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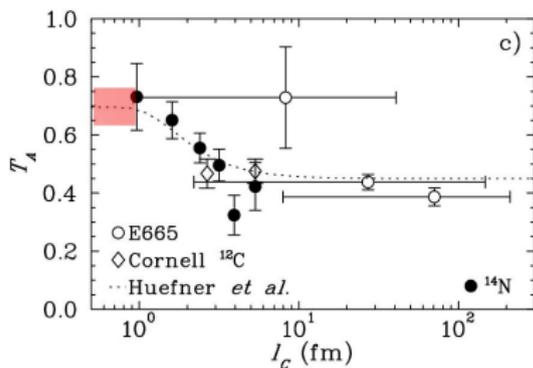


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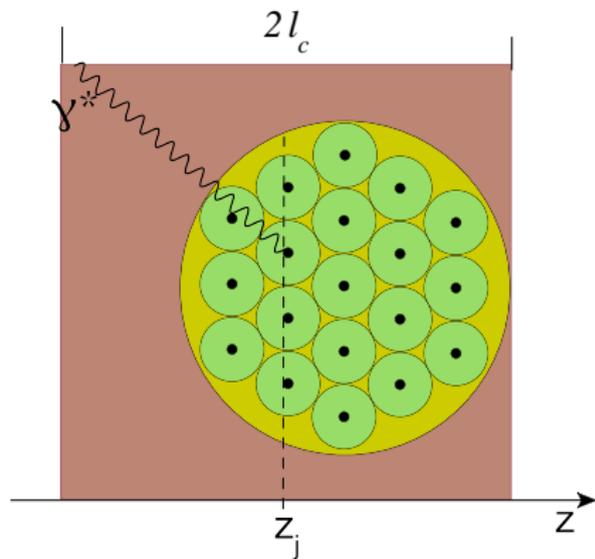


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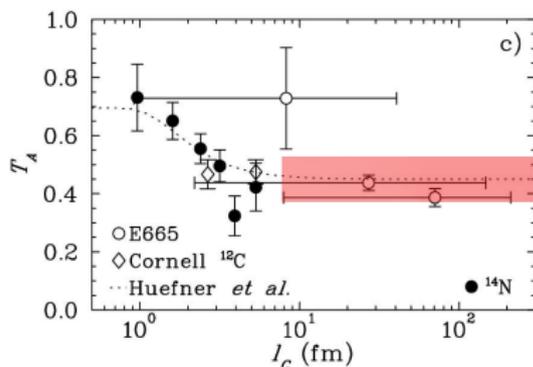


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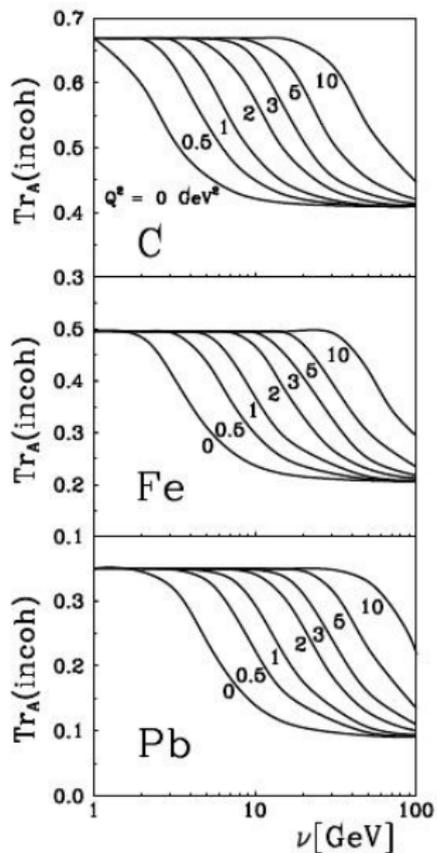
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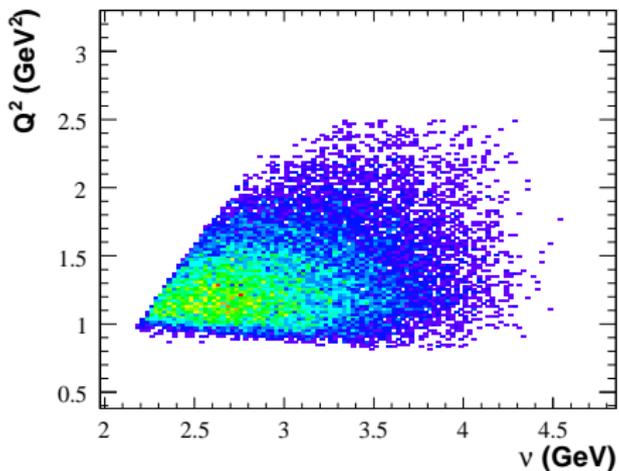
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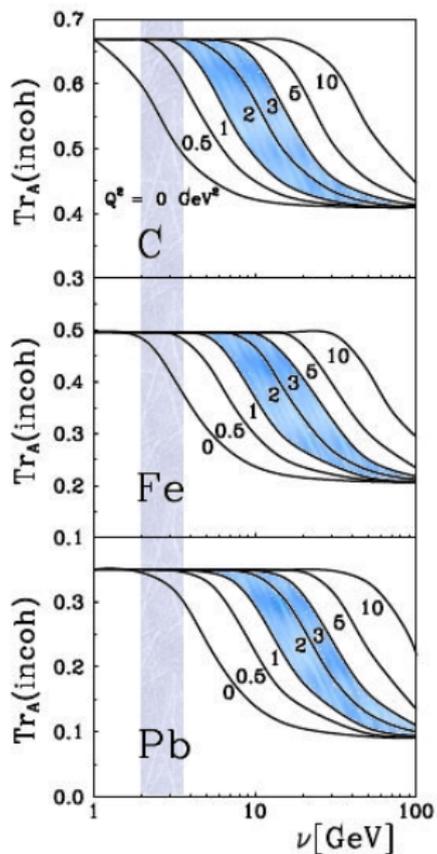
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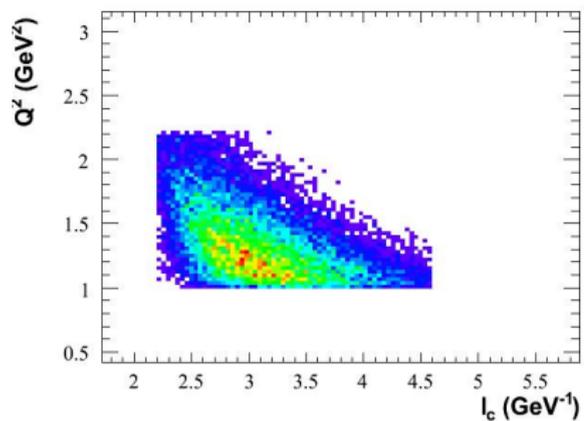
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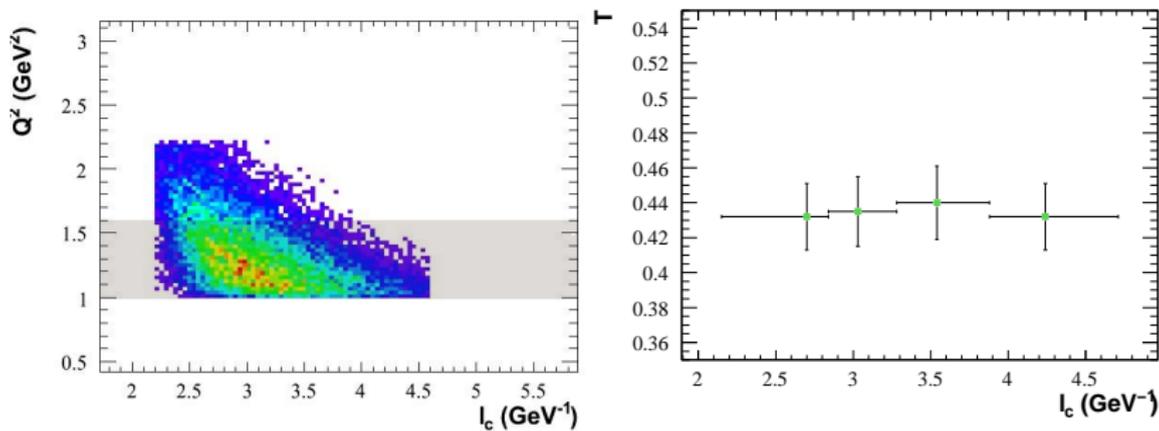


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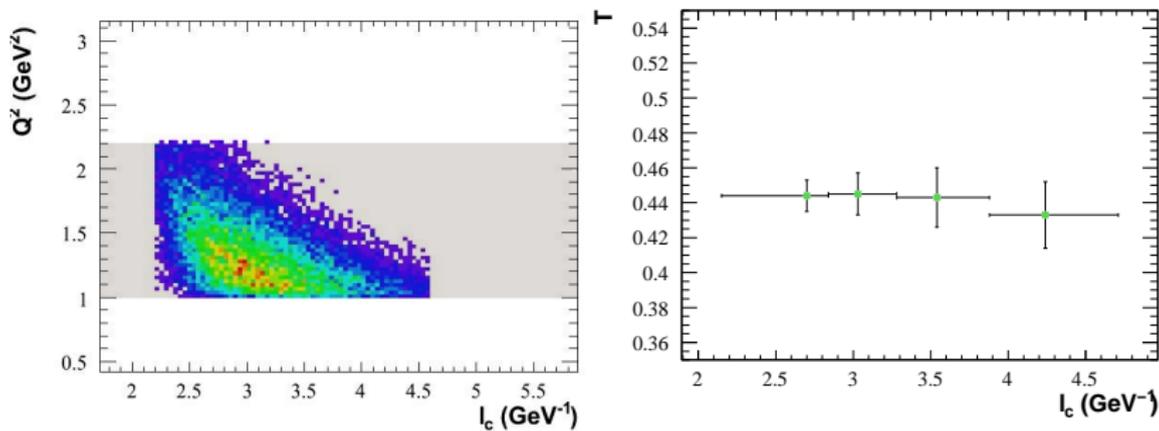
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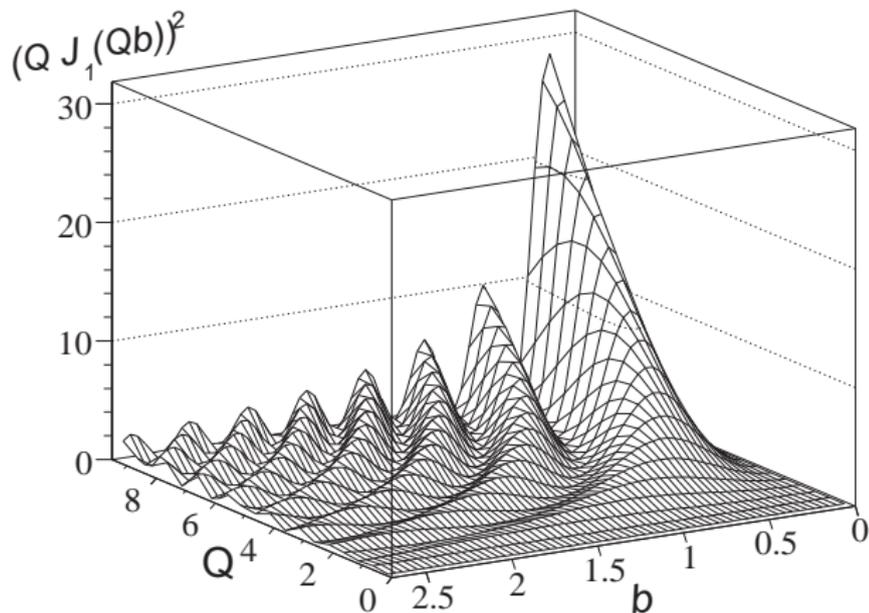
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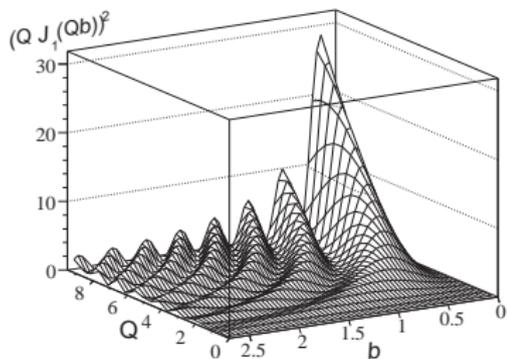
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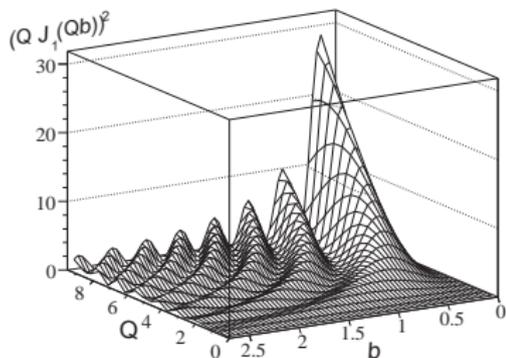
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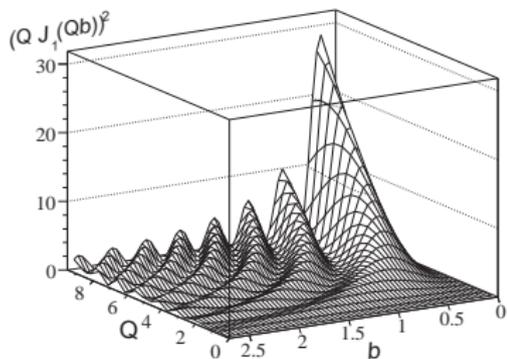
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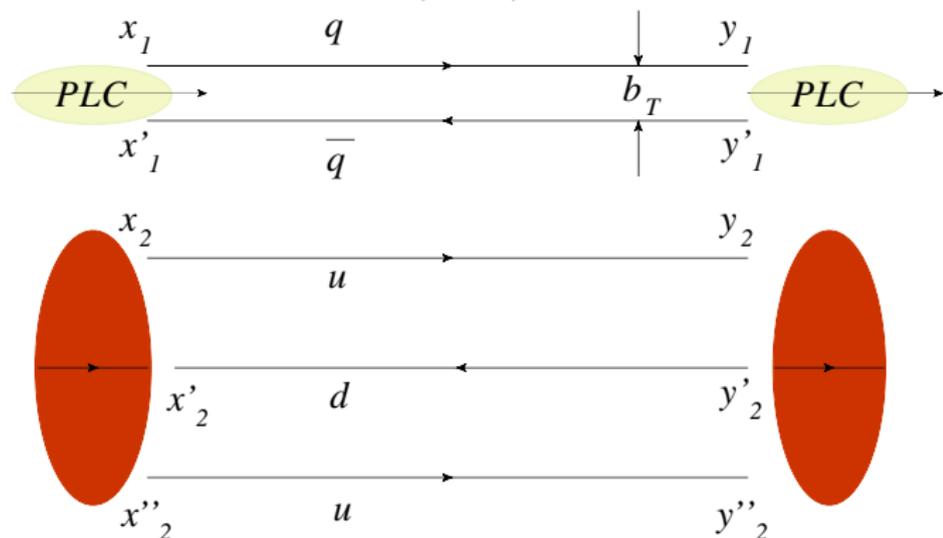
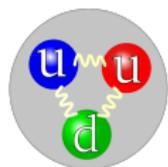
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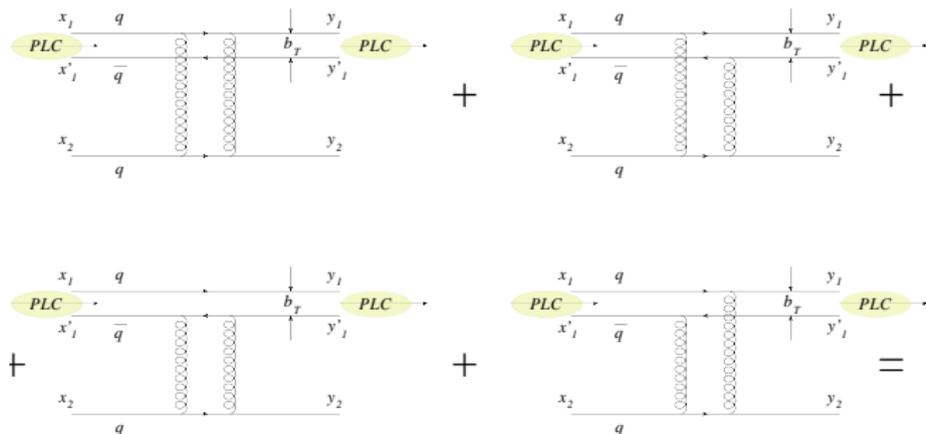
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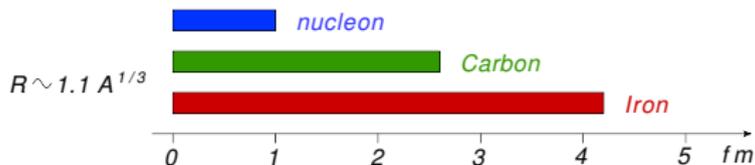
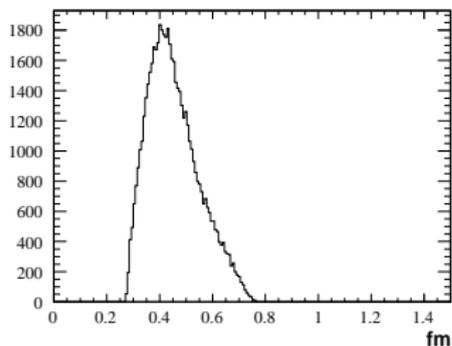
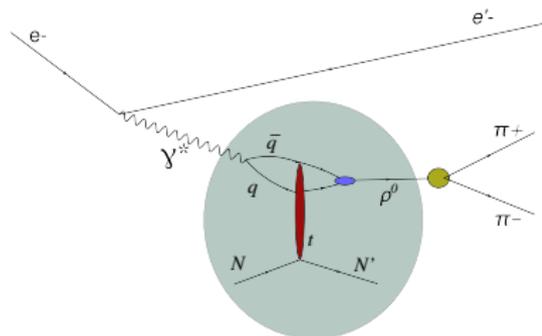
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A signature of Color Transparency will be an increase in nuclear transparency T_A with an increase in the hardness of the reaction, driven by Q^2

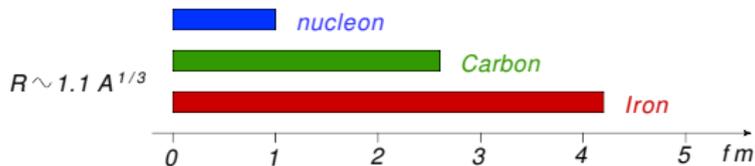
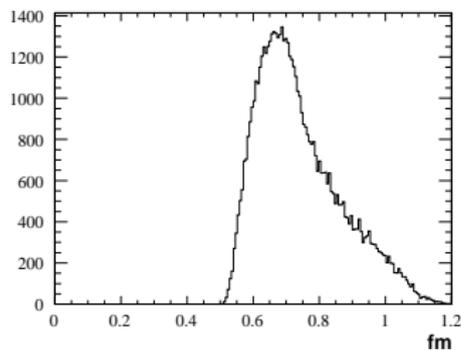
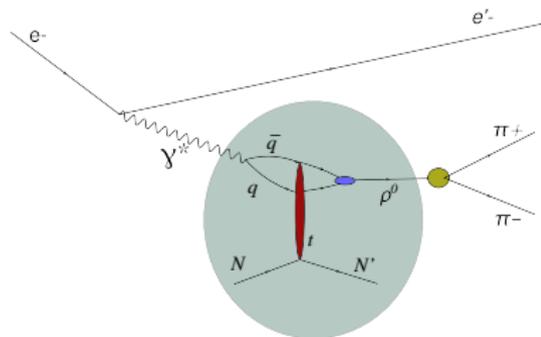
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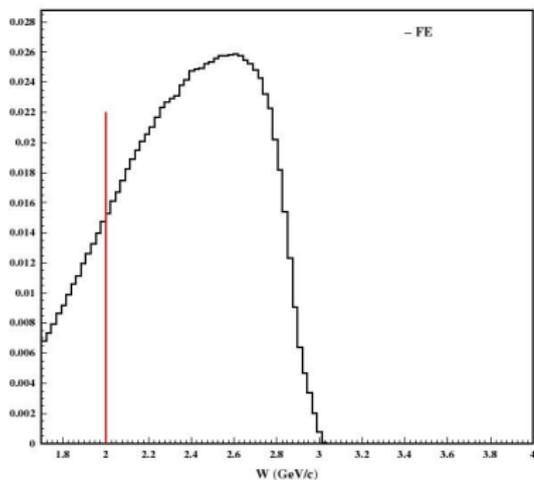


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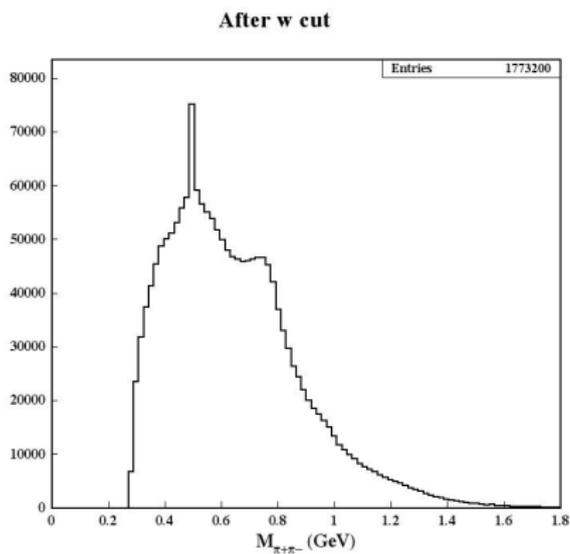


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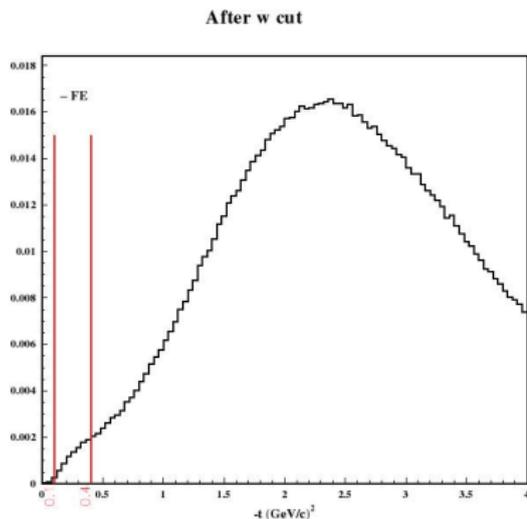
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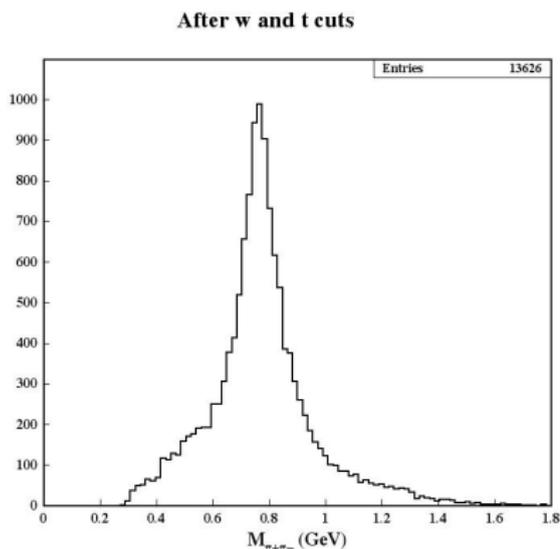
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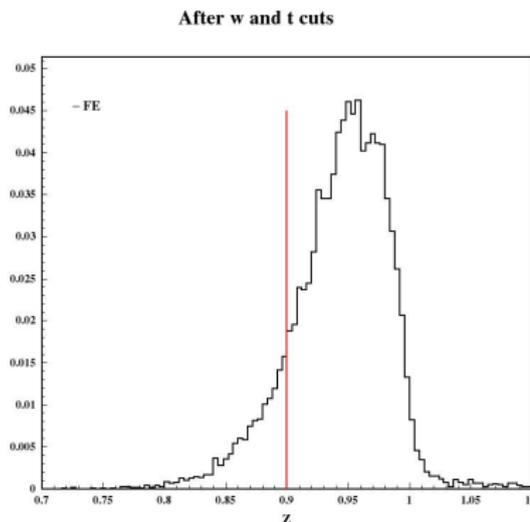
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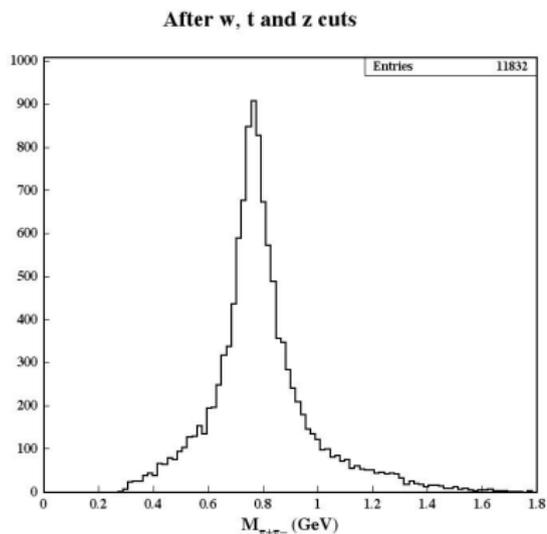
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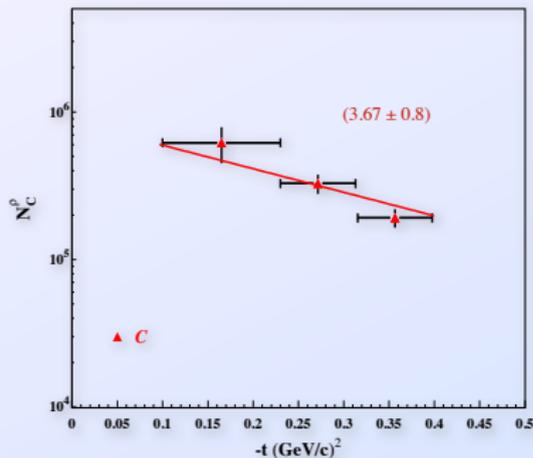
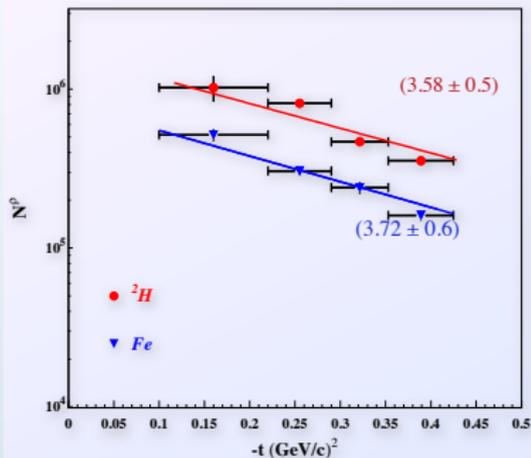
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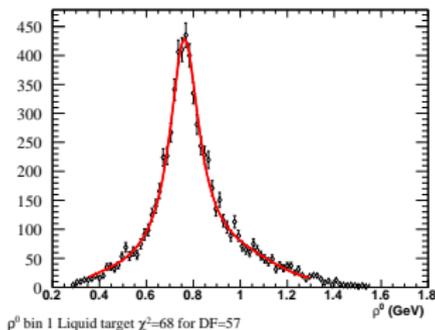
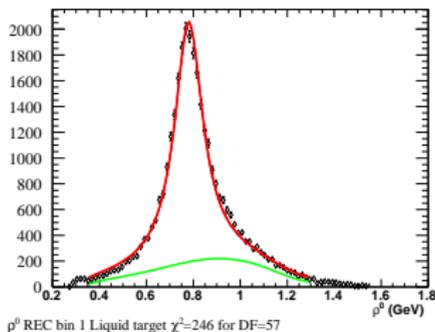
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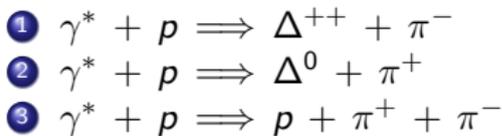
$-t$ dependence show the rapid fall expected for incoherent diffractive ρ^0 production, consistent with CLAS data: (2.63 ± 0.44)

Morrow JLAB-PHY-08-831, arXiv:0807.3834

Background Study and Simulation



- As event generator used the one implemented by B. Mustapha (ANL)
- Tune to the Eg2 experiment configurations
- Radiative Effects, Fermi motion of target
- Possibility of using experimental cross section (D.Cassel, Physical Review D, 24 (1981)) for tuning the different contributions in our kinematics
- Background assumed composition:

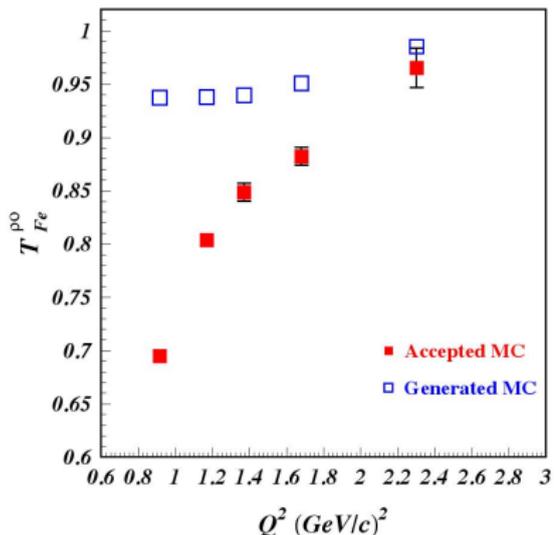


Acceptance correction

In CLAS comprehensive of:

- Acceptance: Geometry of CLAS is not 4π
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 - 2 Reconstruction protocol
 - 3 Analysis

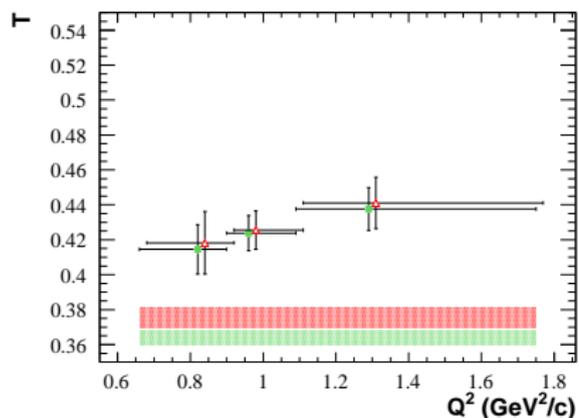
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- Unexpectedly large effect of acceptance
- Due to:
 - 1 tight kinematic cuts,
 - 2 complicated detector
 - 3 targets not at identical location (5 cm from each other)

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Iron at 4GeV



- Determined the correction with 2 methods
 - 1 green: bin to bin
 - 2 red: bin to migration
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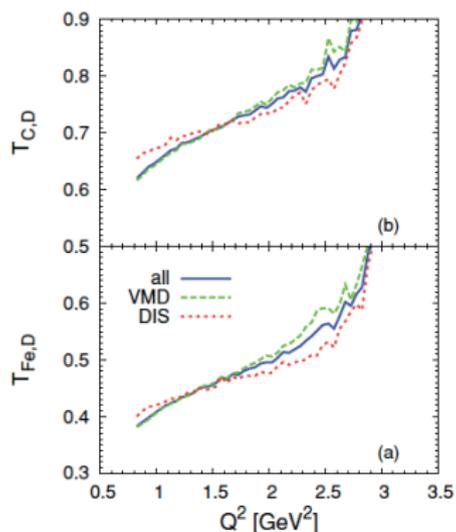
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- Vector meson interaction + decay
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GKM Model

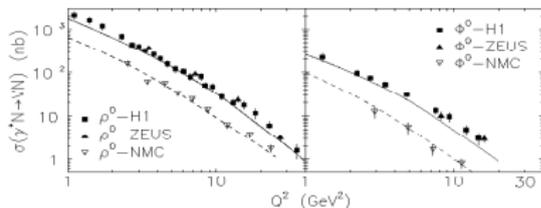
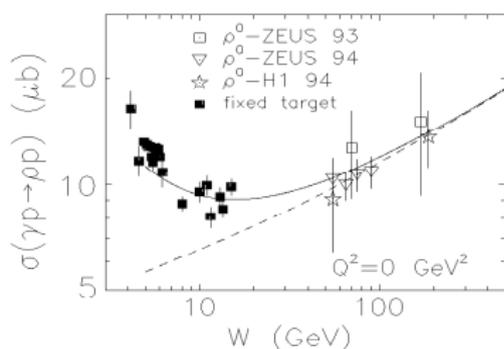
- Gallmeister, Kaskulov, Mosel .
PRC **83**, 015201 (2011)
- Coupled channel Giessen Boltzmann-Uehling-Uhlenbeck (GiBUU) transport equation.
- Includes rho decay and subsequent pion absorption.
- Includes experimental cuts and acceptance.
- With and without CT effects.



KNS Model

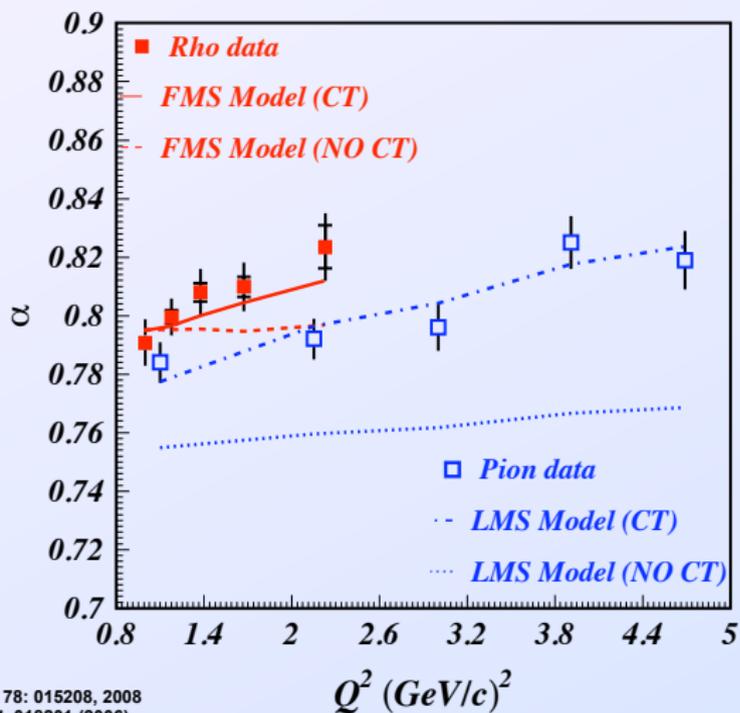
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- Light Cone QCD Formalism for q q -bar dipole.
- $\sigma(qq)$ - Universal dipole cross section for q q -bar interaction with a nucleon, fit to proton structure functions over a large range of x , Q^2 .
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Comparison ρ^0 data and π data (FMS)

Using the same ingredients the FSM (LSM) model agrees well with both data sets.



FMS: Frankfurt, Miller and Strikman, PRC 78: 015208, 2008

LSM: Larson, Miller and Strikman, PRC 74, 018201 (2006)