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# Inclusive studies at 6 & 12 GeV: x-, $Q^2-$ , and isotope-dependence

#### 6 GeV proposal:

Verify x-, Q<sup>2</sup>-dependence of ratios in 2N, 3N plateau regions

#### E02-109 results:

<sup>3</sup>He/<sup>2</sup>H and <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>2</sup>H ratios for 1.5<x<2

Isospin dependence in 3N region: <sup>3</sup>He/<sup>3</sup>H ratios at x>2 3-body breakup for <sup>3</sup>He, <sup>3</sup>H

#### **Other options? Needs?**

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# SLAC A/D ratios

2/Α σ <sub>Fe</sub> (x,Q <sup>2</sup> )/σ <sub>D</sub> (x,Q <sup>2</sup> )	<q<sup>2&gt; = 0.9</q<sup>	<q<sup>2&gt; = 1.2</q<sup>	Global analysis of SLAC measurements on <sup>2</sup> H and A>2 Frankfurt,Strikman,Day,Sargsian, PRC 48,2451 (1993)
	<q<sup>2&gt; = 1.8</q<sup>	<q<sup>2&gt; = 2.3</q<sup>	<ul> <li>σ decomposed into 1N, 2N, 3N, components, predicts ratio for 1.5<x<2 by<br="" dominated="">2N-SRC for all nuclei</x<2></li> </ul>
	<q<sup>2&gt; = 2.9</q<sup>	<q<sup>2&gt; = 3.2</q<sup>	Ratios for A=3,4,12,27,56,197 give idea of relative number of 2N-SRCs.
	1 1.5	<sup>2</sup> 1 1.5 X	<ul> <li>Limitations: Interpolate <sup>2</sup>H data to kinematics for other targets. Limited x coverage at high Q<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>



### CLAS A/<sup>3</sup>He ratios

K. Egiyan, et al., PRC 68, 014313 (2003)
 Better systematic uncertainties (data taken at one time)
 Limited Q<sup>2</sup> range. No deuterium → rely on SLAC <sup>3</sup>He/<sup>2</sup>H ratios



## JLab E89-008

- Inclusive scattering at 4GeV
  - Ratios go to higher Q<sup>2</sup>
  - All data taken at one time
  - No <sup>3</sup>He, <sup>4</sup>He

**SLAC** 

**CLAS** 

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1

2

3

4

Q<sup>2</sup>

- Limited x coverage at high Q<sup>2</sup>





0

 $F_{a}(x)/A [F_{a}(x)/A]$ 

Jo 2

Ratio 1

## CLAS results, $A/^{3}He$ , up to x=3

K. Egyian, et al., PRL 96, 082501 (2005)

- Improved ratios in 2N-SRC region
- Extend ratios to 3N-SRC region (first direct measurement for x>2)
- No deuterium data
- Limited statistics to study x, Q<sup>2</sup> dependence for x>2





# Q<sup>2</sup> dependence of the plateau

- For x<2, have data over range in Q<sup>2</sup>
- For x>3, very limited Q<sup>2</sup> range some hint that Q<sup>2</sup> not high enough





#### E02-019 preliminary ratios



Absolute cross sections and ratios for A=2,3,4,9,12,...

Higher Q<sup>2</sup> for x>1.5 and x>2.3

Limited statistics for x>2.3 (mainly limited by <sup>3</sup>He)

$$\frac{2}{A}\frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{A}}{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{D}} = a_{2}(A)$$

$$\frac{3}{A}\frac{\sigma_{A}}{\sigma_{3_{He}}} = a_{3}(A)$$



# Isospin dependence?

- Some details discussed in Mark's seminar, other talks during workshop
- What can we learn from inclusive scattering?
- Sample case: 2N SRCs in <sup>3</sup>He
  - No correlations: Expect p/n = 2 at for all x (all nucleon momenta)
  - SRCs isospin independent: Each nucleon can be part of a 2N SRC with the other 2 nucleons  $\rightarrow p/n = 2$  in the correlation tail.
  - SRCs entirely dominated by n-p pairs: Every high-momentum proton has associated high-momentum neutron  $\rightarrow$  p/n=1 in tail
  - Measure of p/n in tail → sensitive to pp vs. pn contributions
     measure in 3H → sensitive to pn vs. nn contributions



## 3He momentum distribution (Wiringa, et al.)





# **Current limitations**

#### 2N SRCs

- Want single measurement with ratios to deuterium [E02-019]
- Want range in N/Z [E02-019: 3He and 4He, need more?]
- Want detailed measure of Q<sup>2</sup>, x dependence in plateau region (examine onset to scaling, verify x, Q<sup>2</sup> independence, etc...)

#### 3N SRCs

- Want to verify Q<sup>2</sup> sufficient for scaling [Plan for PAC33]
- Want better statistics, x-coverage [12 GeV expt. in Hall C]
- Want range of nuclei [Good start with CLAS, more with 12 GeV]
- Want information on isospin dependence
  - All ratios taken relative to <sup>3</sup>He. <sup>3</sup>H would be best case.
  - Is <sup>40</sup>Ca vs. <sup>48</sup>Ca useful for studying neutron excess in denser system? Does it add to <sup>3</sup>H/<sup>3</sup>He? Can it be interpreted well enough?



# PAC33: Q<sup>2</sup> dependence, high statistics, x>2.2

E = 3.6 GeV



