

Suppression of π^0 electroproduction in eA from CLAS

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Important contribution to Hadronization programm @ CLAS and CLAS12

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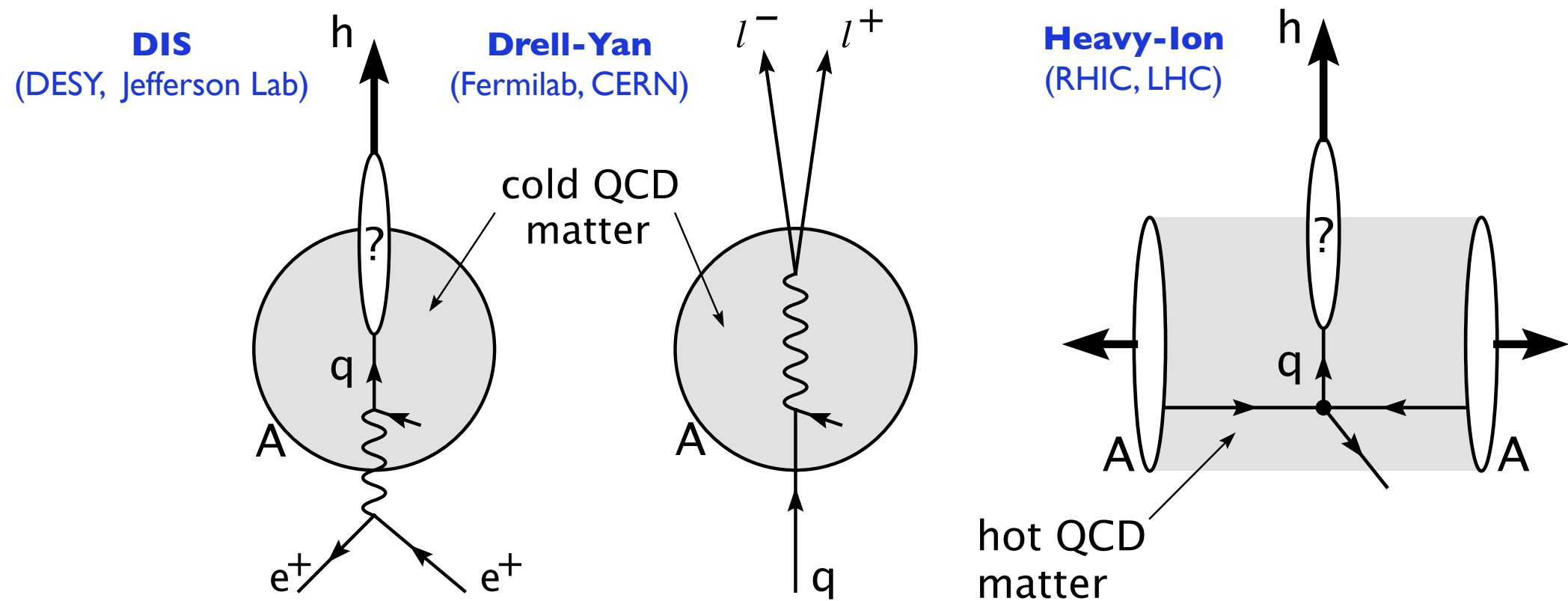
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Color propagation and hadron formation

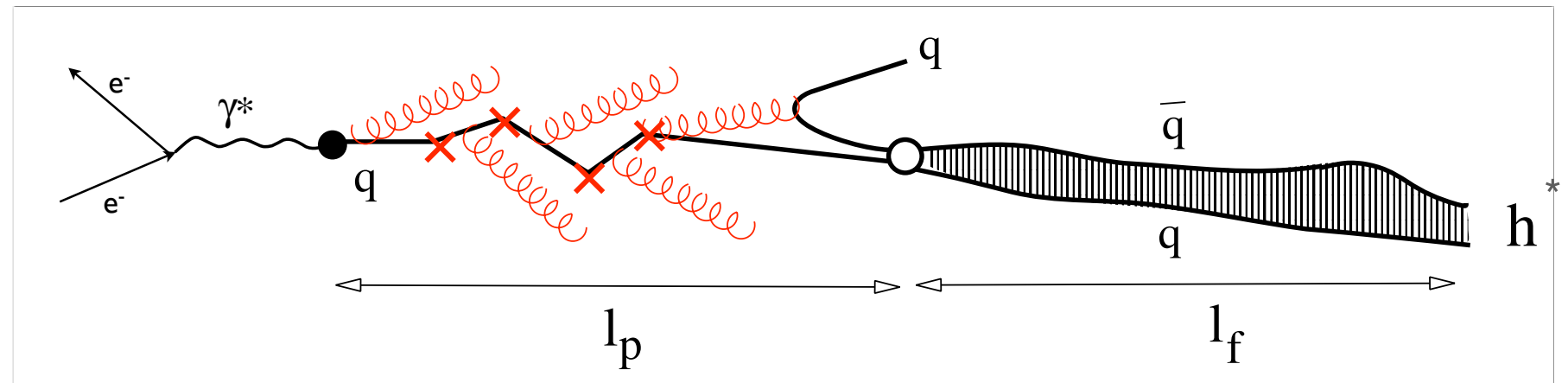
Access to microscopic information at the fm scale



Accardi, Arleo, Brooks, d'Enterria, Muccifora Riv.Nuovo Cim.032:439553,2010 [arXiv:0907.3534]

Space-time view of hadronization in DIS

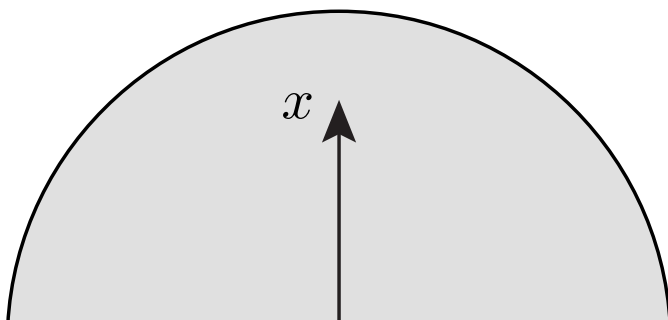
In vacuum



Path of (struck) quark is divided into
“**partonic phase**” and “**hadronic phase**”

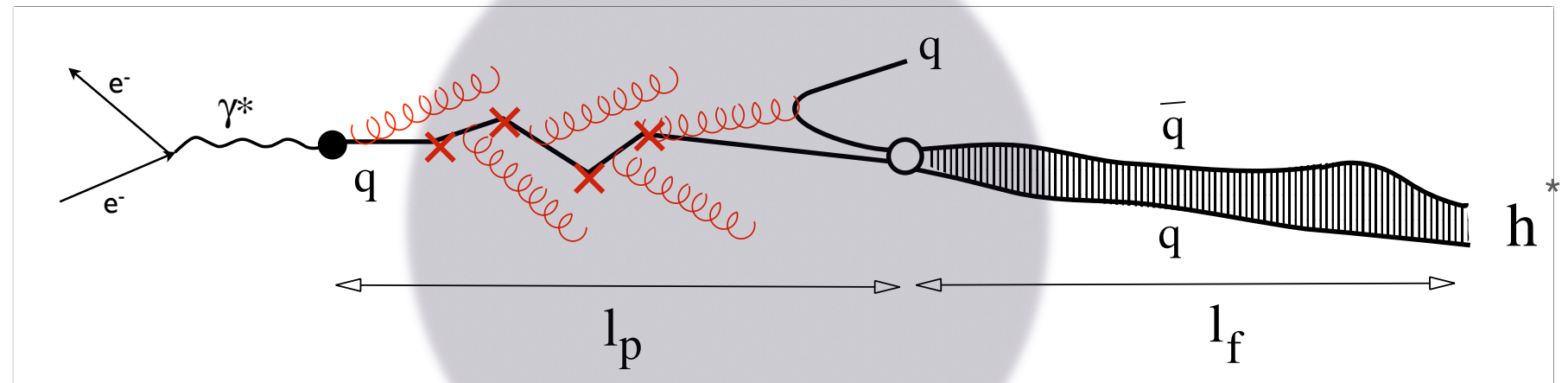


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 p_T broadening via $\hat{q}$, and **partonic energy loss** ΔE_q , occur
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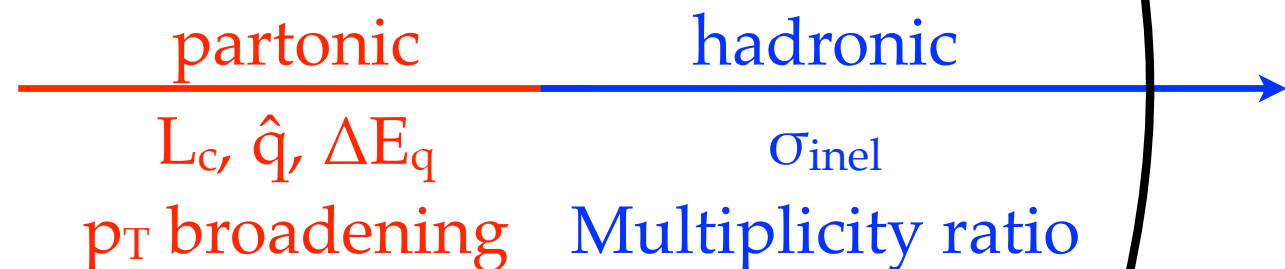


Space-time view of hadronization in DIS

In medium A



Path of (struck) quark is divided into “partonic phase” and “hadronic phase”

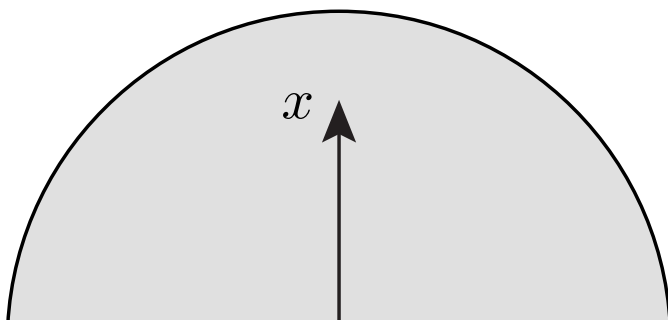


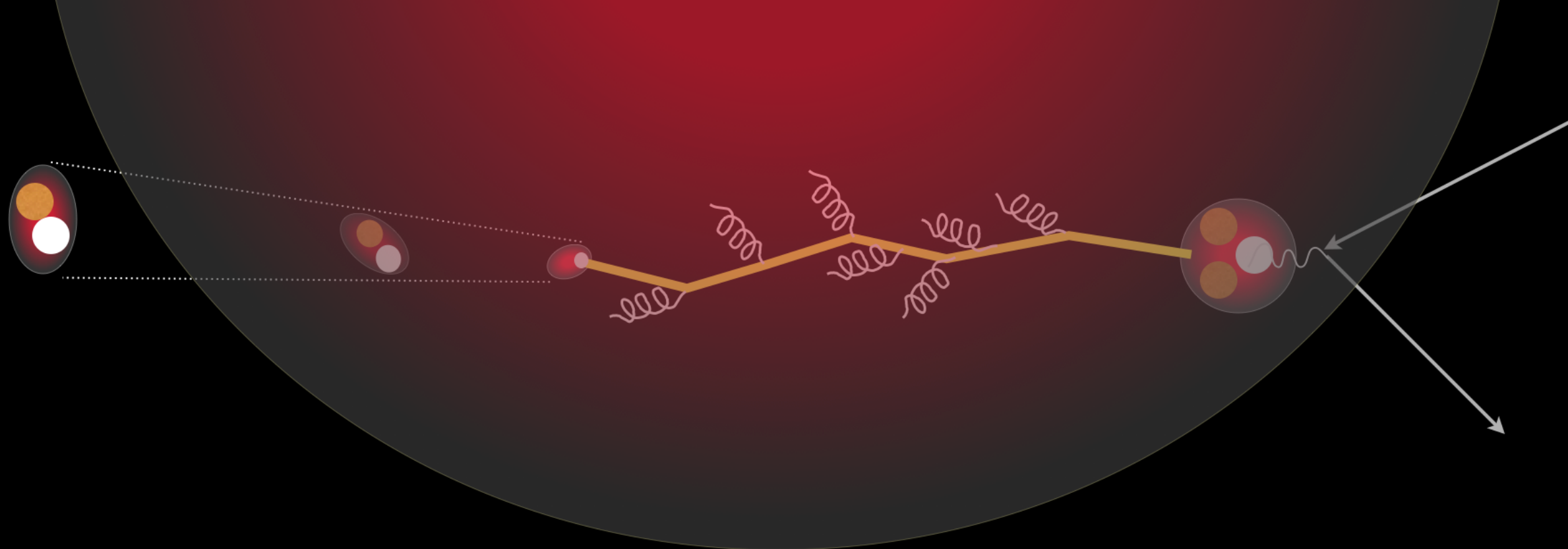
Partonic energy losses

Increase of transverse momentum

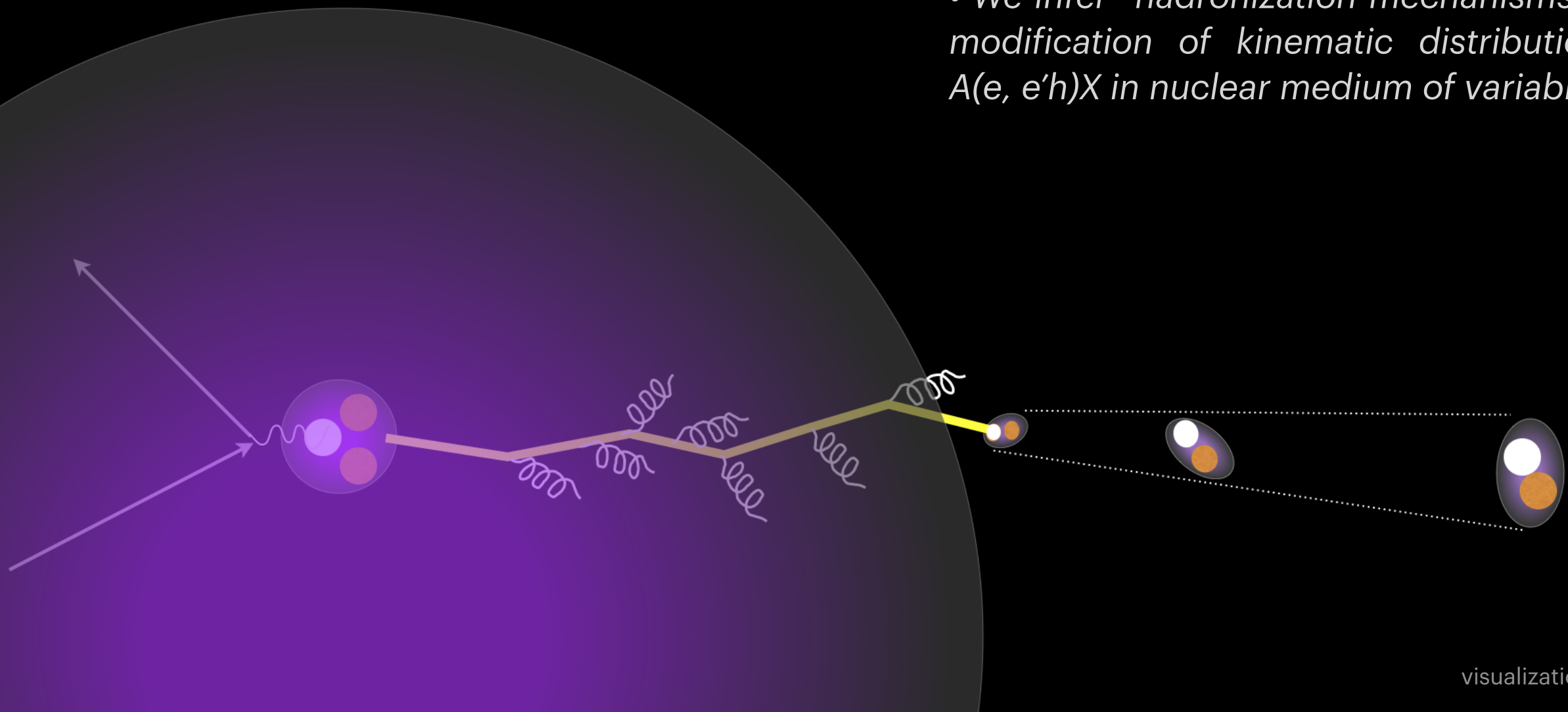


The partonic phase persists for a distance L_c , over which p_T broadening via $\hat{q}$, and partonic energy loss ΔE_q occur. Hadron inelastic scattering. Decrease of the number of observed hadrons





- We infer hadronization mechanisms from modification of kinematic distributions in $A(e, e'h)X$ in nuclear medium of variable size



Observables

Transverse momentum broadening

Connects to color lifetime τ_p , quark k_T ,
transport coefficient $\hat{q}$ and quark E_{loss}

$$\Delta \langle p_T^2 \rangle = \langle p_T^2 \rangle_A - \langle p_T^2 \rangle_p$$

$\Delta \langle p_T^2 \rangle [\text{GeV}^2]$

Hadronic Multiplicity ratio

Connects to hadron formation phase
In-medium interaction of forming hadron

$$R_A^h(\nu, Q^2, z, p_T) = \frac{\left. \frac{N_h(\nu, Q^2, z, p_T)}{N_e(\nu, Q^2)} \right|_A}{\left. \frac{N_h(\nu, Q^2, z, p_T)}{N_e(\nu, Q^2)} \right|_D} \frac{A}{4}$$

$$R_M^h = \frac{N_h(Q^2, \nu, z, p_T)/N_e(Q^2, \nu)|_p}{N_h(Q^2, \nu, z, p_T)/N_e(Q^2, \nu)|_D}$$

R_m

Simultaneous

Extraction of color lifetime Brooks-Lopez model



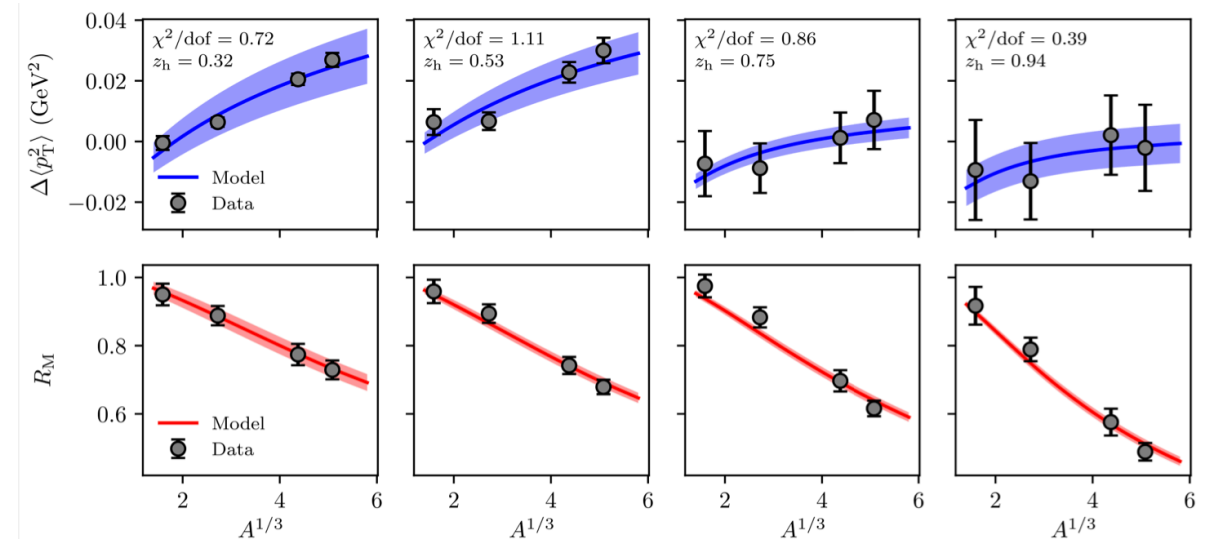
Estimating the color lifetime of energetic quarks

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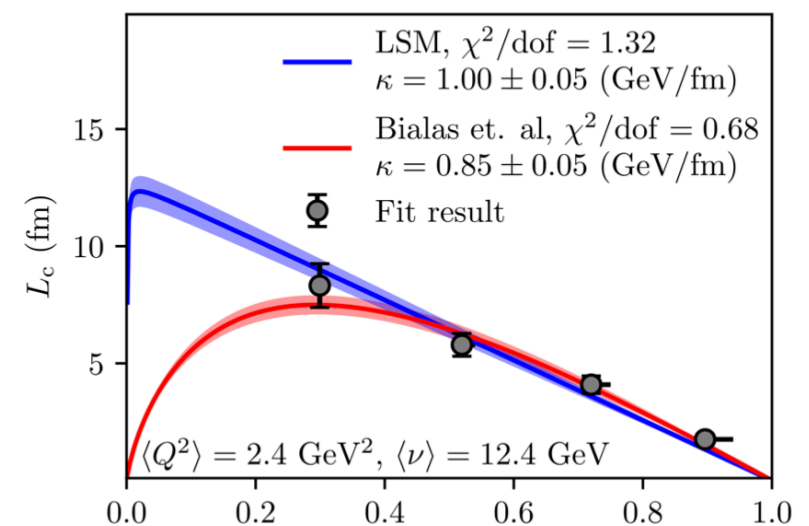
•The **color lifetime** was estimated using two observables in the L_c HERMES data with a space-time model that is consistent with, but independent of, Lund string fragmentation.

•The answer depends on the kinematics and ranges from **2 to 8 fm/c**.

Simultaneous fit to two observables, Δp_T^2 and R for charged pions



The values of the color length L_c resulting from simultaneous fit to p_T^2 and R



<https://arxiv.org/abs/2004.07236>

EG2 experiment @ 5 GEV

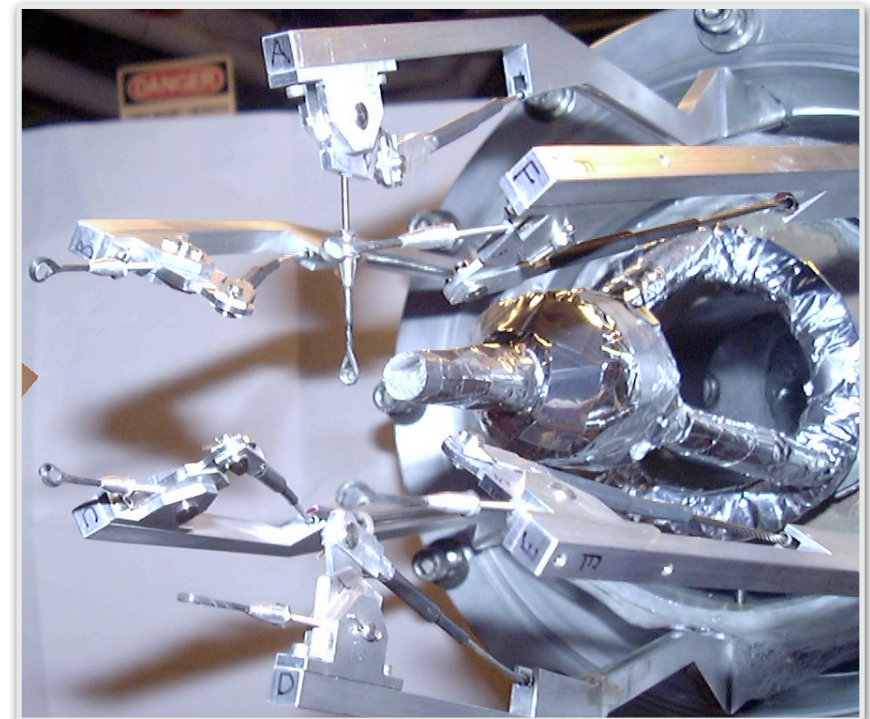


By using dual target approach, EG2 experiment makes a *precise* comparison of observables in a large nucleus A with respect to a small D

EG2 experiment running conditions

- Electron beam 5.014 GeV
- Targets ^2H , ^{12}C , ^{56}Fe , ^{207}Pb (Al, Sn)
- Luminosity $2 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ 1/(s} \cdot \text{cm}^2)$

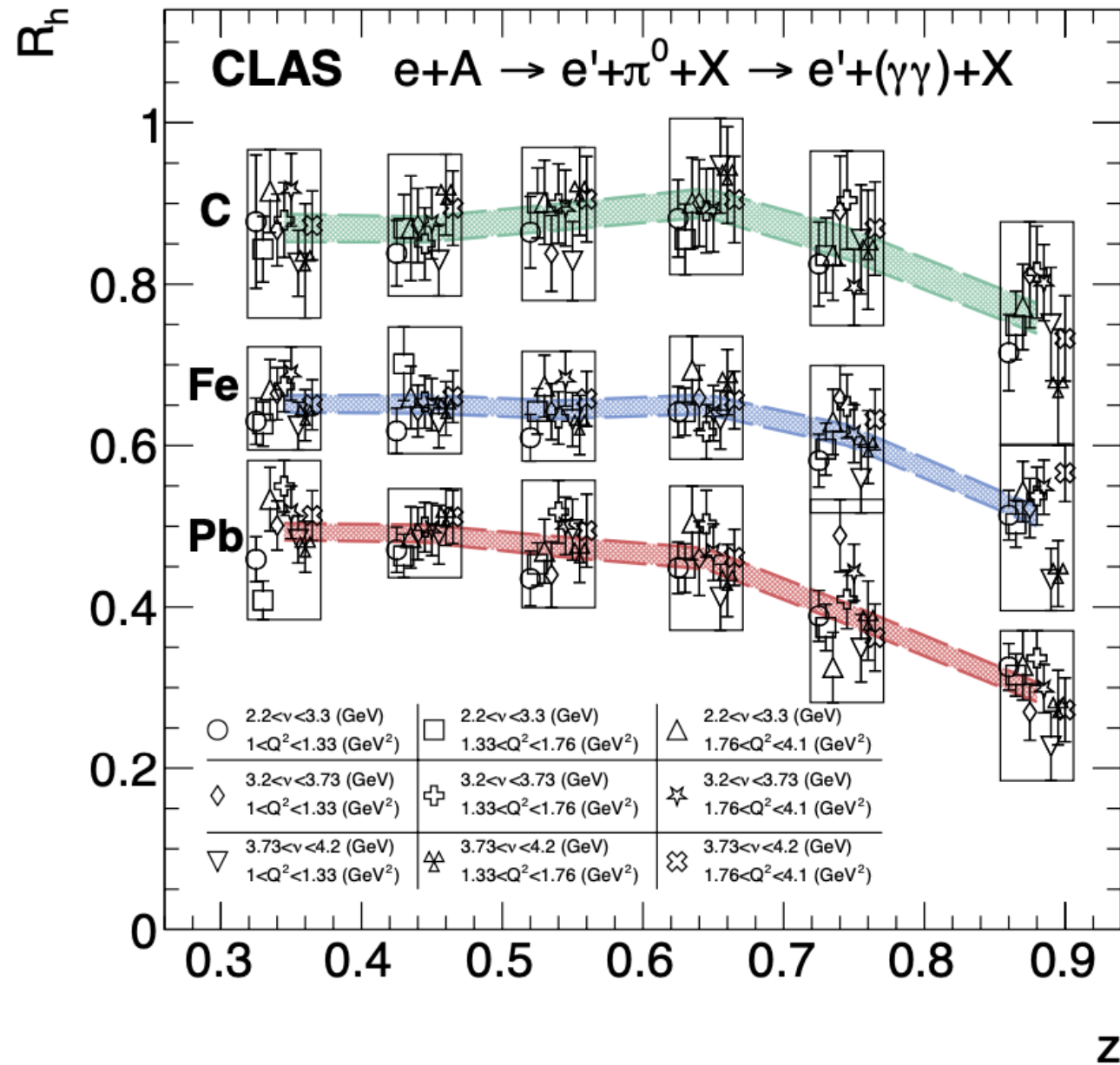
“A double-target system for precision measurements of nuclear medium effects,” H. Hakobyan et al. NIMA 592 (2008) 218– 223



Interpreting Nuclear DIS Data: π^0 multiplicity ratios

3D Multiplicities $R_{\pi^0}(Q^2, \nu, z)$ on ^{12}C , ^{56}Fe , ^{207}Pb to D

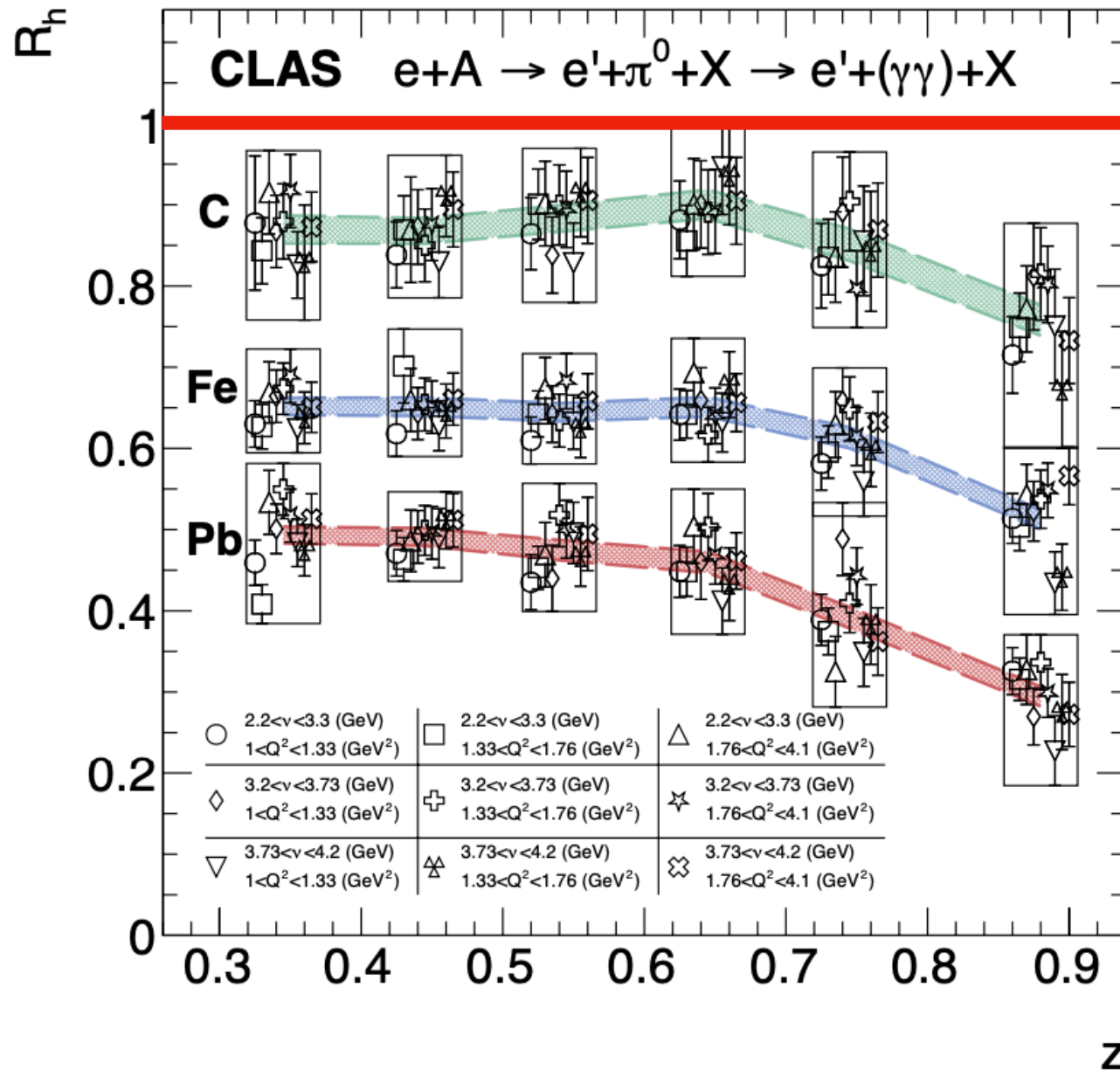
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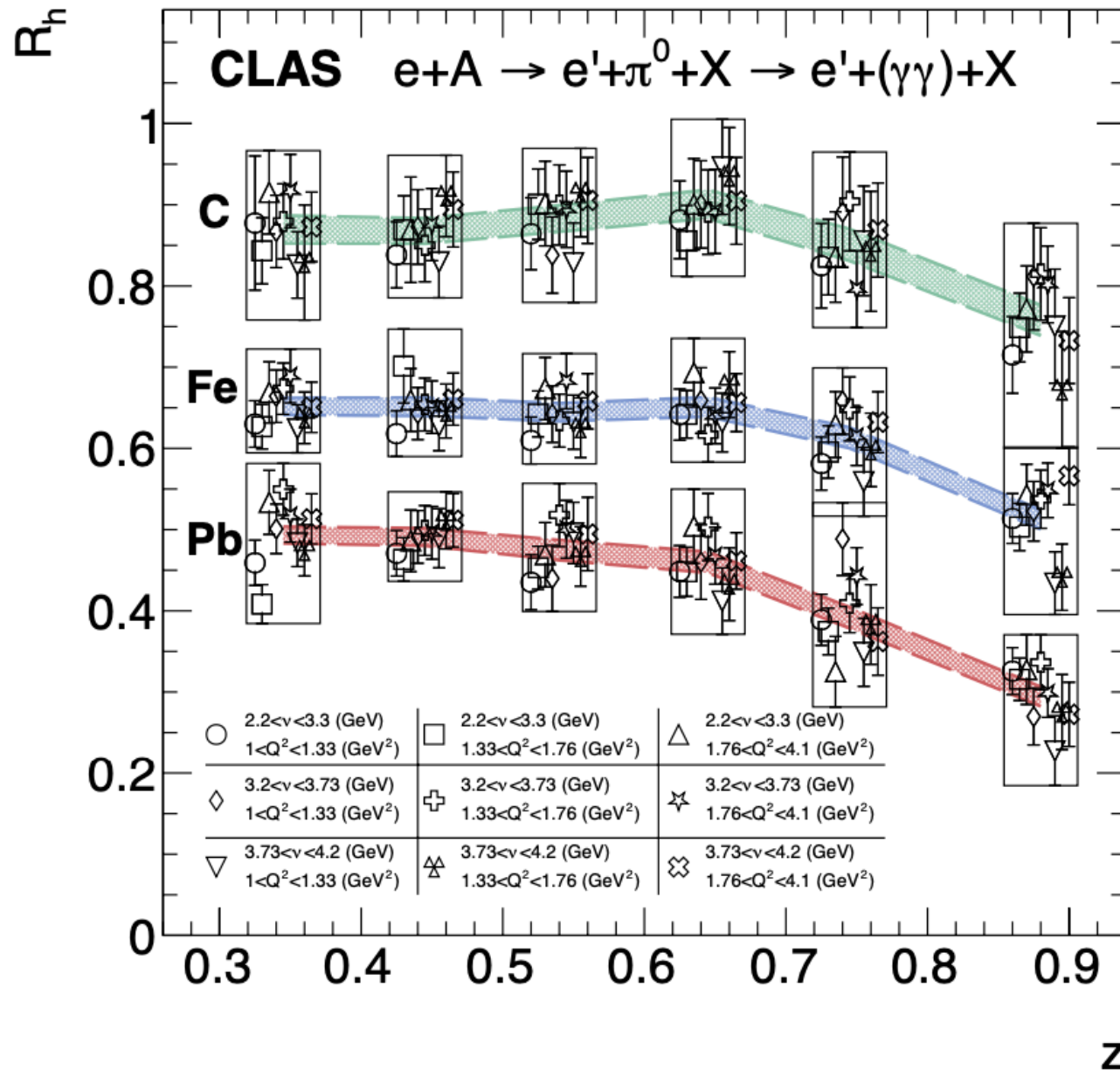


In the absence of any nuclear effects this observable is equal to unity

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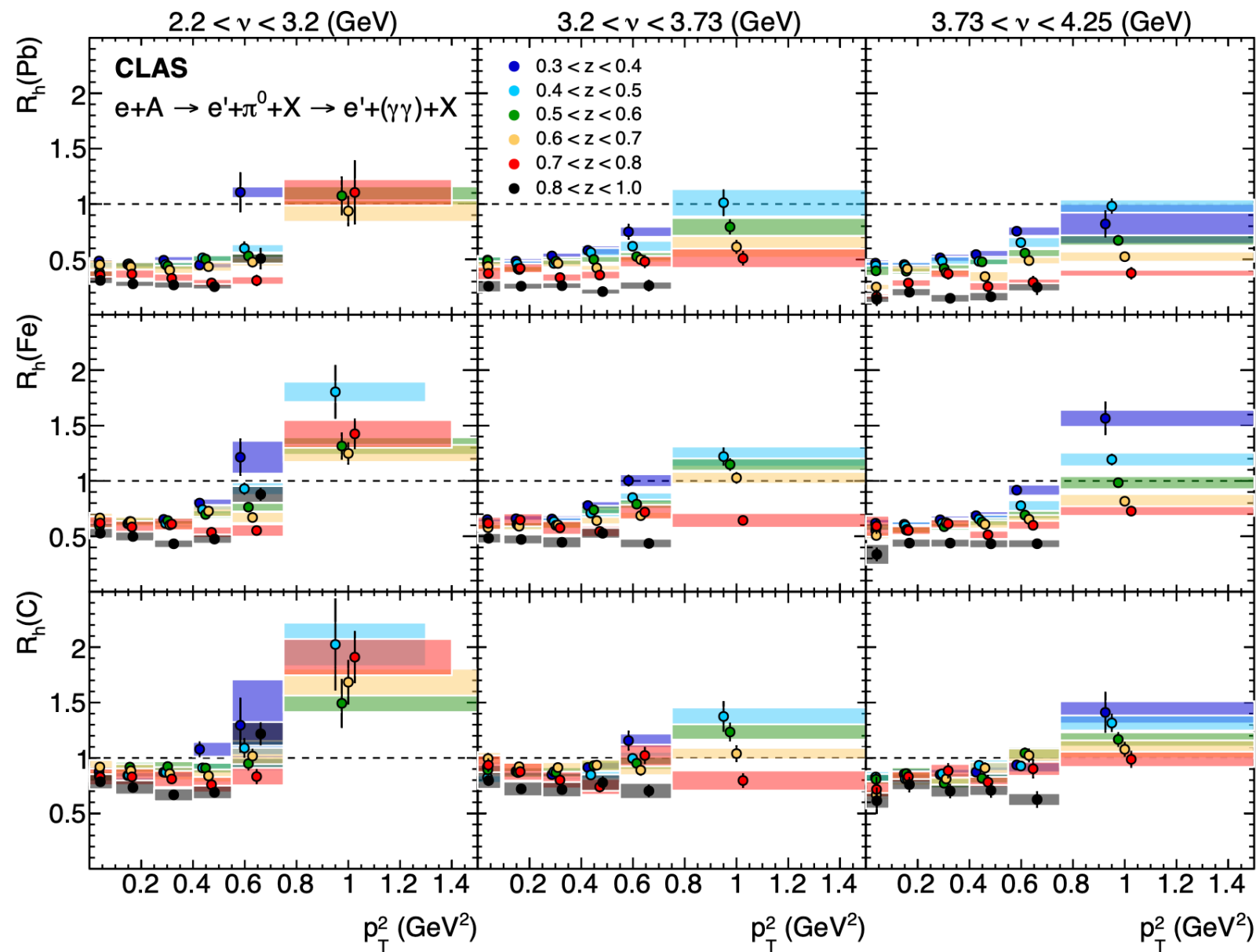


- Attenuation depends on nuclear size A
- Maximally suppressed for leading hadrons: from 25% on C to 75% on Pb
- No dependence on Q^2 and ν observed
- Quantitative behavior compatible with Hermes

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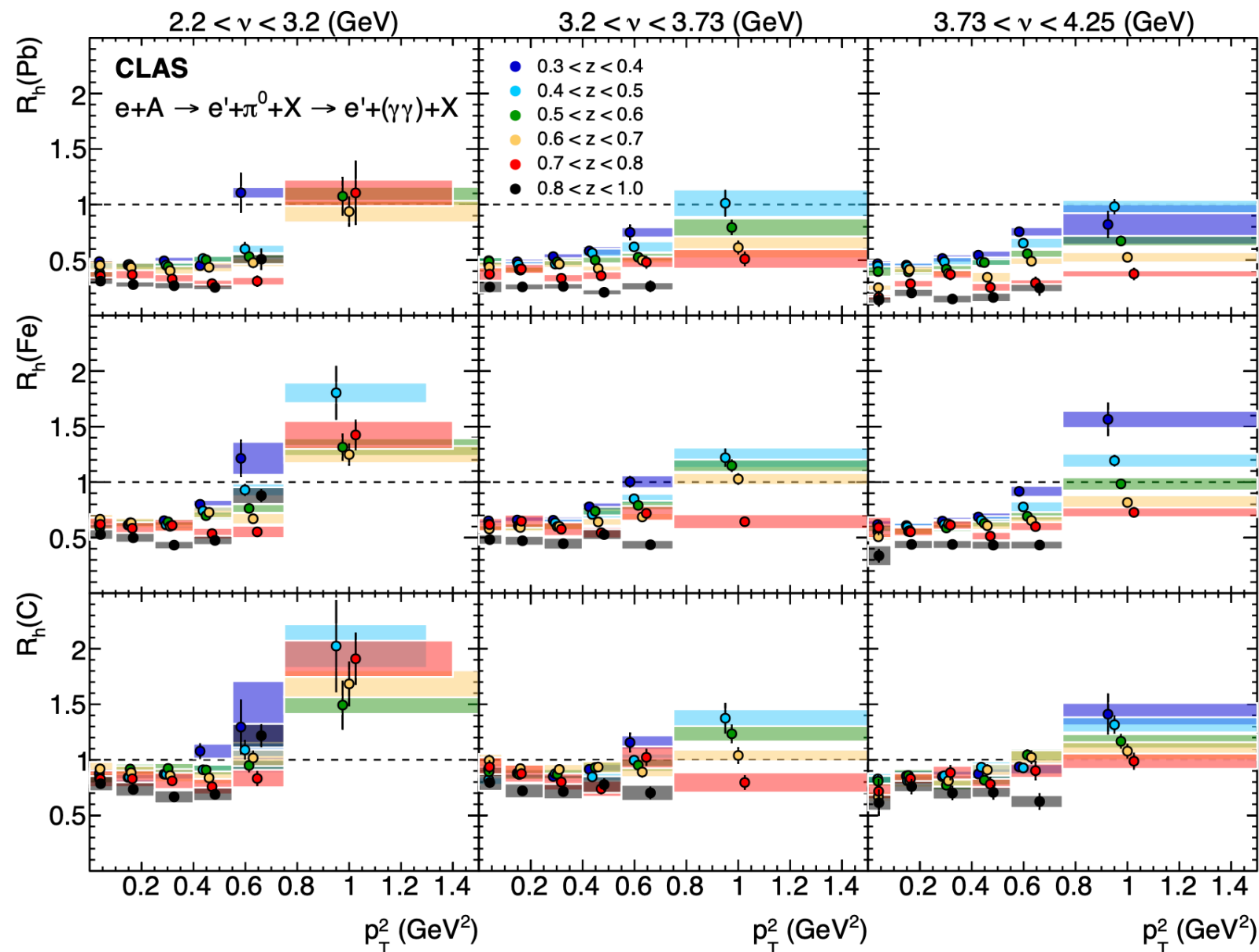
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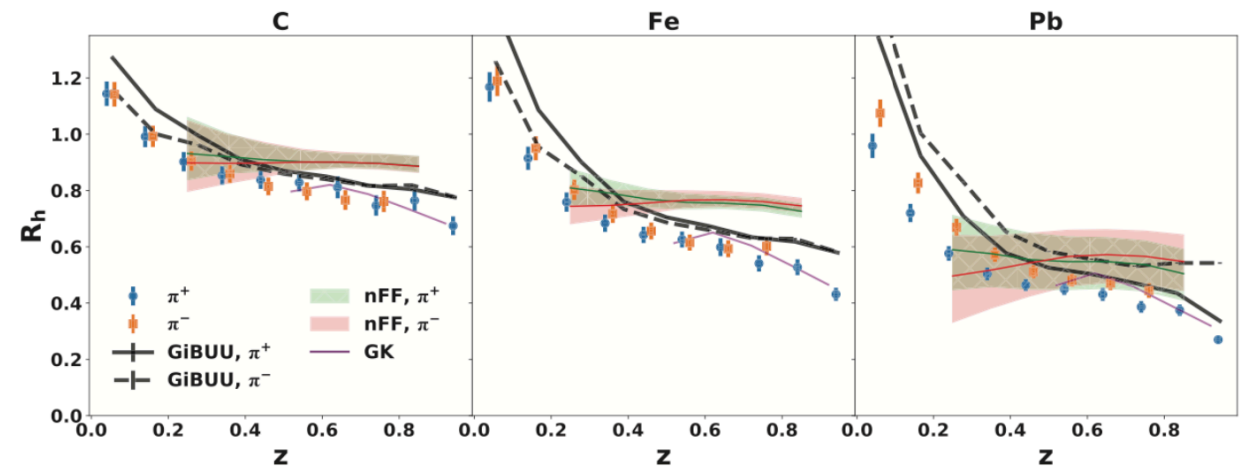
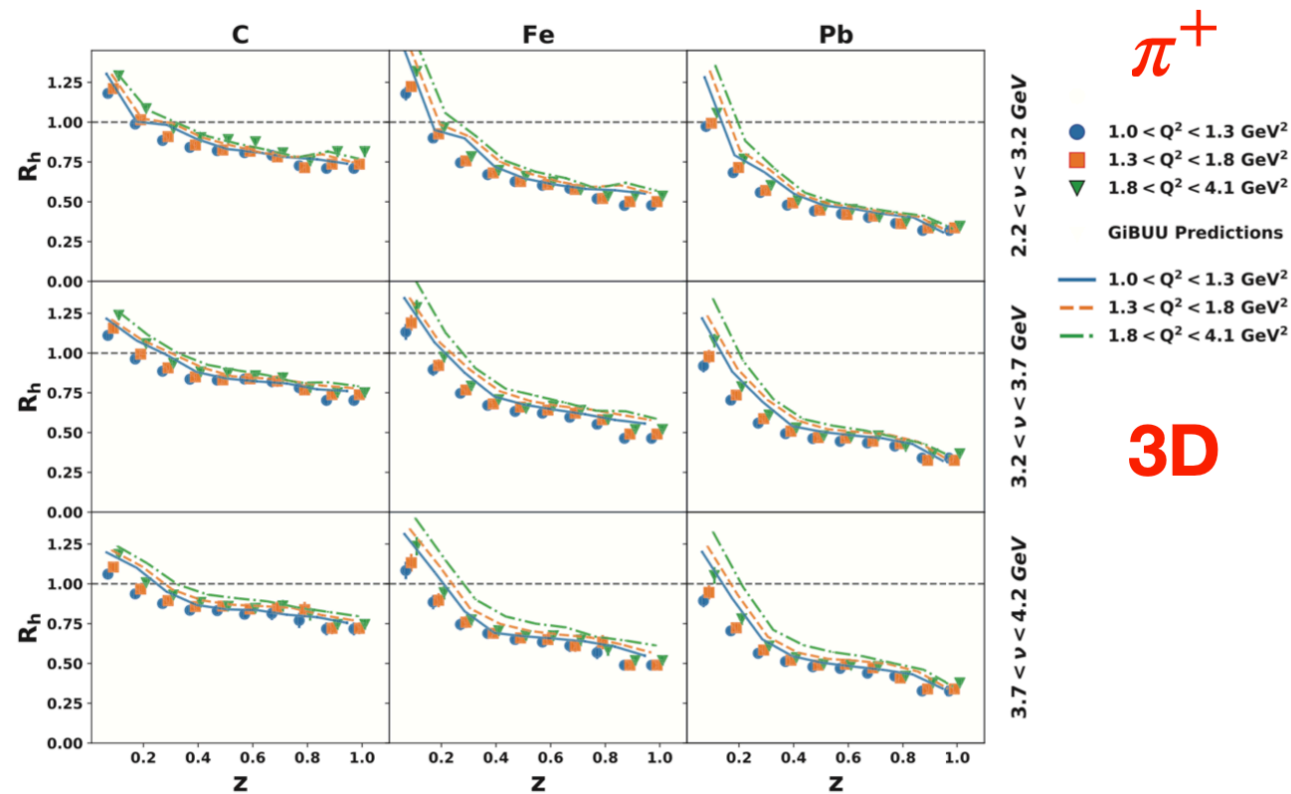
- Enhancement of R_{π^0} at low z and high on p_T^2
- Largest enhancement at high p_T^2 for C, lowest - for Pb
- Opposite to CLAS and HERMES data on charged pions

Interpreting Nuclear DIS Data: π^+ and π^- multiplicity ratios

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Measurement of charged-pion production in deep-inelastic scattering off nuclei with the CLAS detector

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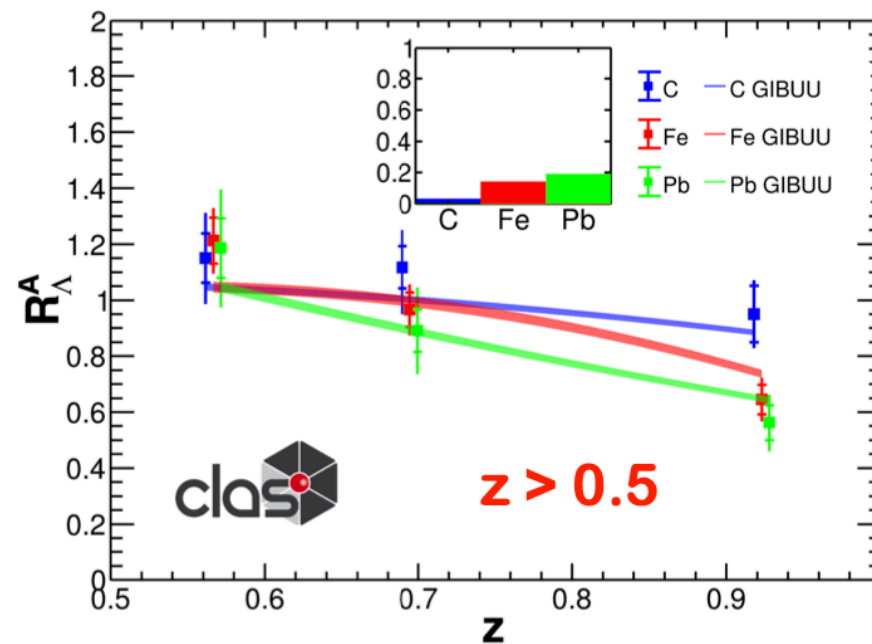
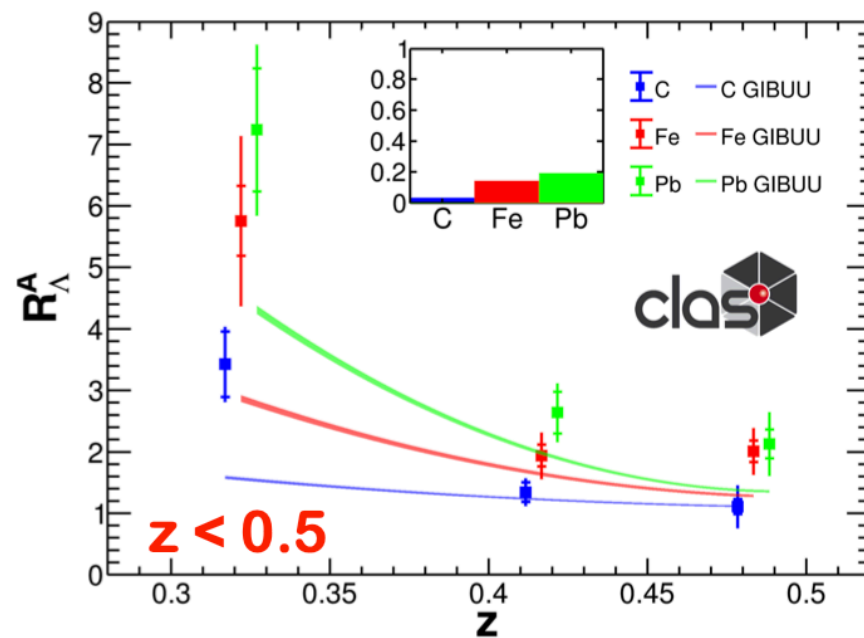


High-precision three-dimensional data is compared to the model predictions; GiBUU and Guiot-Kopeliovich models find semi-qualitative agreement

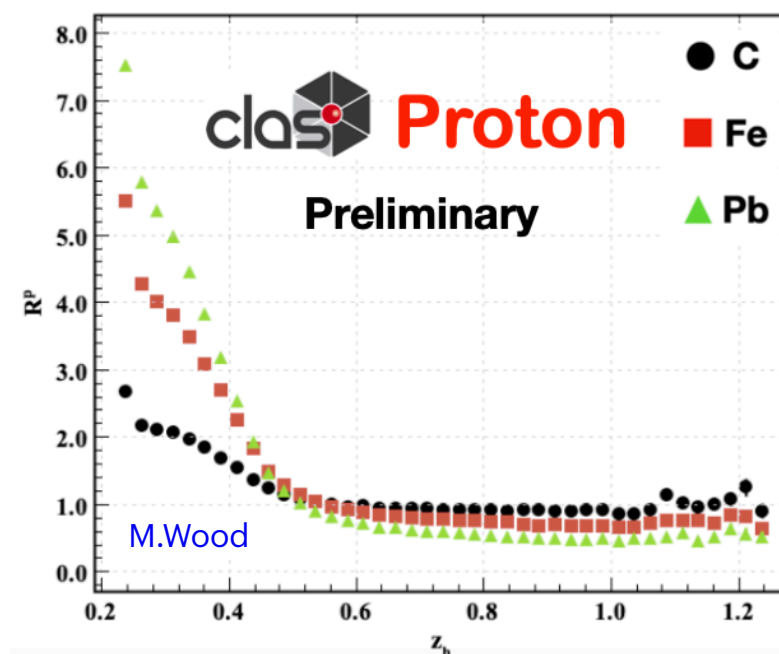
Results from EG2: Λ and p multiplicities

“First Measurement of Λ Electroproduction off Nuclei in the Current and Target Fragmentation Regions”

T. Chetry, L. El Fassi, W.K. Brooks, R. Dupré, A. El Alaoui, K. Hafidi et al (CLAS Collaboration) <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2210.13691>



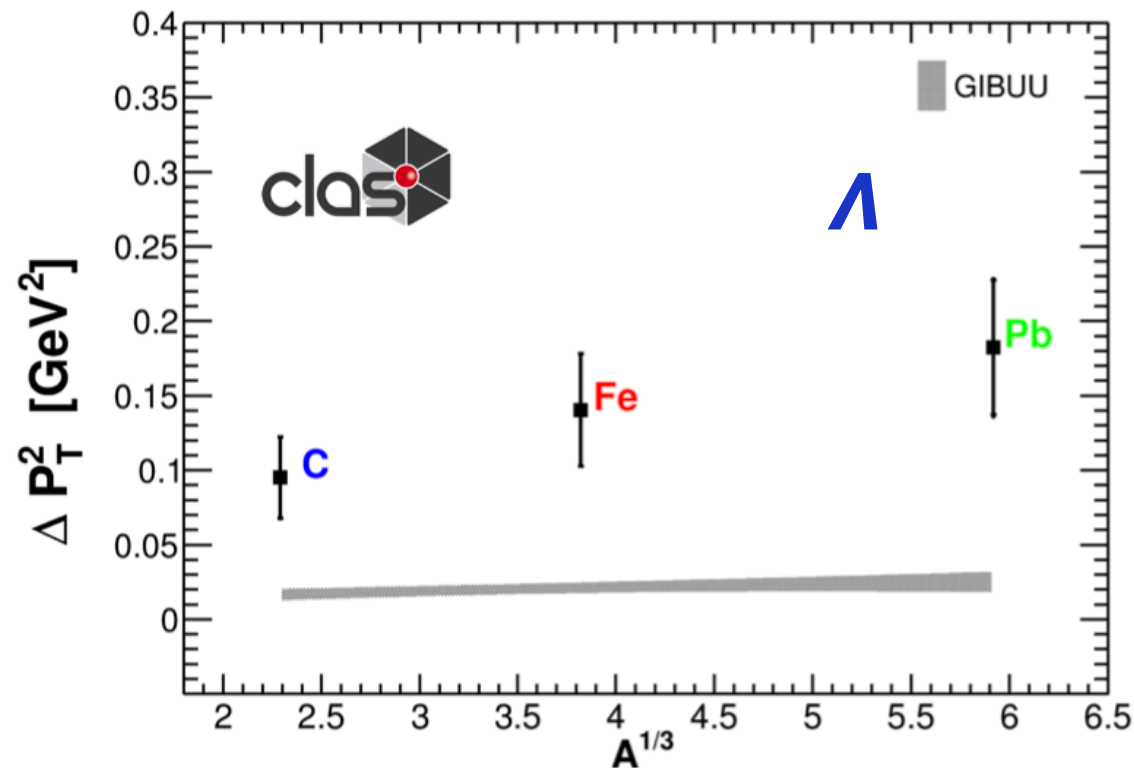
- At low- z there is a “pile up” of events 7 times more than for pion! Underpredicted by GiBUU.
- At high- z there is little attenuation compared to that on the pion. Agrees with GiBUU.



- The multiplicity ratio for the Λ and the proton have the same magnitude and the same pattern of ordering

Results from EG2 $\Delta \langle p_T^2 \rangle$

T. Chetry et al.

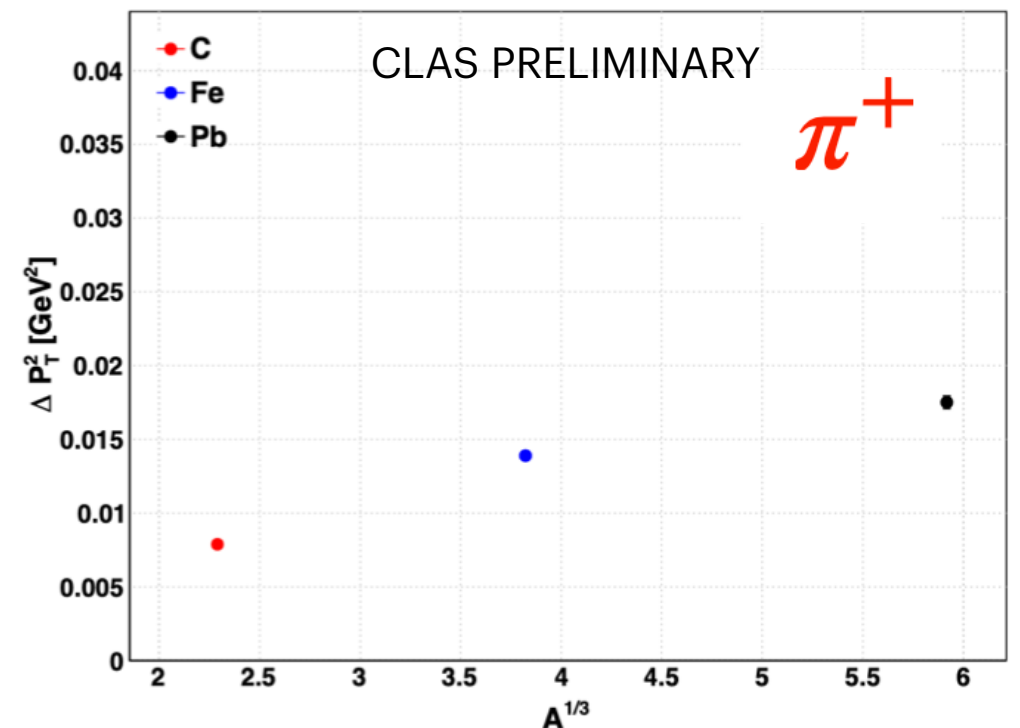


Maximum for Λ is 0.3 GeV²

- GiBUU cannot predict this observable. We apparently do not have the correct physical picture in the case of baryon hadronization

E.Molina Thesis

<https://repositorio.usm.cl/handle/11673/53373>



Maximum for pions of 0.03 GeV²

$$R_M = \frac{N_h(Q^2, \nu, z)}{N_h(Q^2, \nu, z)}$$

Simulta

Quark Propagation and Hadronization at CLAS12

Approved experiment Run Group E (E-12-06-117) to start in Jan, 2024

PAC rating of the experiment = **A-**, reaffirmed at Jeopardy Review in PAC 48

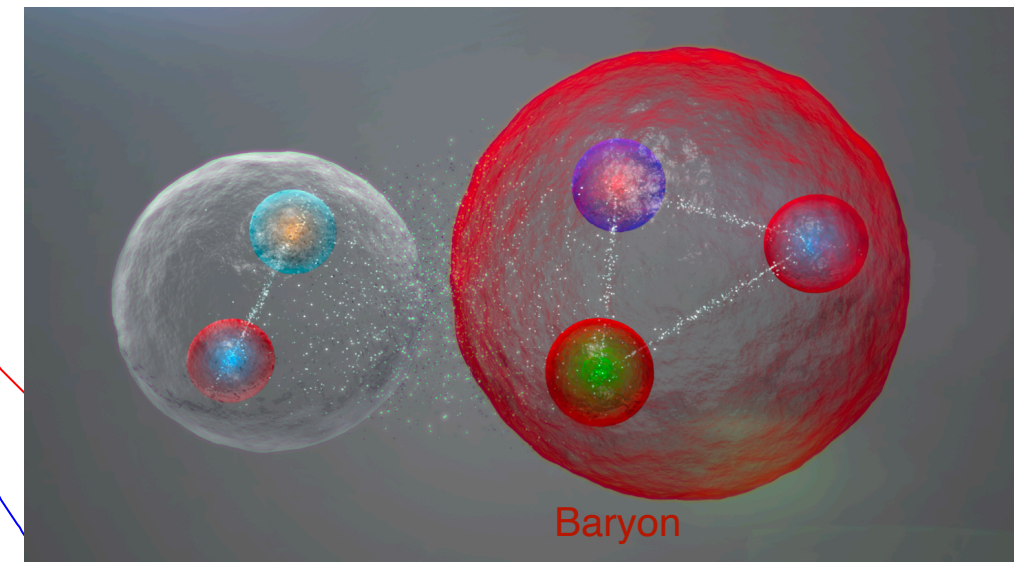
Number of PAC days granted = **60 PAC days**, reaffirmed at JR in PAC 48.

see H.Hakobyan talk on RG-E update

Quark Propagation and Hadronization at CLAS12

More Luminosity More Acceptance Better Particle ID

<i>hadron</i>	$c\tau$	mass	flavor content	limiting error (60 PAC days)
π^0	25 nm	0.13	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}$	5.7% (sys)
π^+, π^-	7.8 m	0.14	$u\bar{d}, d\bar{u}$	3.2% (sys)
η	170 pm	0.55	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}s\bar{s}$	6.2% (sys)
ω	23 fm	0.78	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}s\bar{s}$	6.7% (sys)
η'	0.98 pm	0.96	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}s\bar{s}$	8.5% (sys)
ϕ	44 fm	1	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}s\bar{s}$	5.0% (stat)*
f_1	8 fm	1.3	$u\bar{u}d\bar{d}s\bar{s}$	-
K^0	27 mm	0.5	$d\bar{s}$	4.7% (sys)
K^+, K^-	3.7 m	0.49	$u\bar{s}, \bar{u}s$	4.4% (sys)
p	stable	0.94	uud	3.2% (sys)
$\bar{p}$	stable	0.94	$\bar{u}\bar{u}\bar{d}$	5.9% (stat)**
Λ	79 mm	1.1	uds	4.1% (sys)
$\Lambda(1520)$	13 fm	1.5	uds	8.8% (sys)
Σ^+	24 mm	1.2	uus	6.6% (sys)
Σ^-	44 mm	1.2	dds	7.9% (sys)
Σ^0	22 pm	1.2	uds	6.9% (sys)
Ξ^0	87 mm	1.3	uss	16% (stat)*
Ξ^-	49 mm	1.3	dss	7.8% (stat)*



First look at GeV-scale meson formation!

Measurements of baryon formation!

Z_h

Z_h

eA kinematics: past & future

CLAS @ 5 GeV: $\sqrt{s} = 3.2$ GeV

CLAS @11 GeV: $\sqrt{s} = 4.6$ GeV

CLAS @ 22 GeV: $\sqrt{s} = 6.4$ GeV

EIC eRHIC: $\sqrt{s} = 20 - 140$ GeV

HERMES @27 GeV: $\sqrt{s} = 7.2$ GeV

Summary

- The microscopic information on space-time dynamics of hadronization can be accessed in DIS using nuclear medium A of increasing size
- Transverse momentum broadening and hadronic multiplicity ratio observables provide insight on the lifetime of 'free' quark and formation of hadrons
- Extraction of 'free' quark lifetime in Brooks-Lopez geometrical model based on simultaneous fit to multiplicity ratios and Δp_T^2 to HERMES data
- CLAS at 6 GeV high luminosity data on ^2H , ^{12}C , ^{56}Fe , ^{207}Pb :
 - CLAS committee approved paper on three-dimensional π^0 multiplicity ratios
 - Published results on multi-dimensional π^+ and π^- multiplicities (S.Morán et al.)
 - Published results on Λ multiplicity ratios and Δp_T^2 (T.Chetry et al.)
 - In process: proton multiplicities (M.Wood), Δp_T^2 for π^+ (E.Molina), Δp_T^2 for double pion production (M.Barria), π^+ azimuthal dependencies (C. San Martin), ω and η multiplicities (A.Borguez, O.Soto), Bose-Einstein correlations (A.Radic)
- CLAS at 11 GeV: approved CLAS12 experiment (E12-06-117) will provide higher statistics and enable extraction of 4D multiplicities for a large spectrum of hadrons.

Merci !

Backup slides

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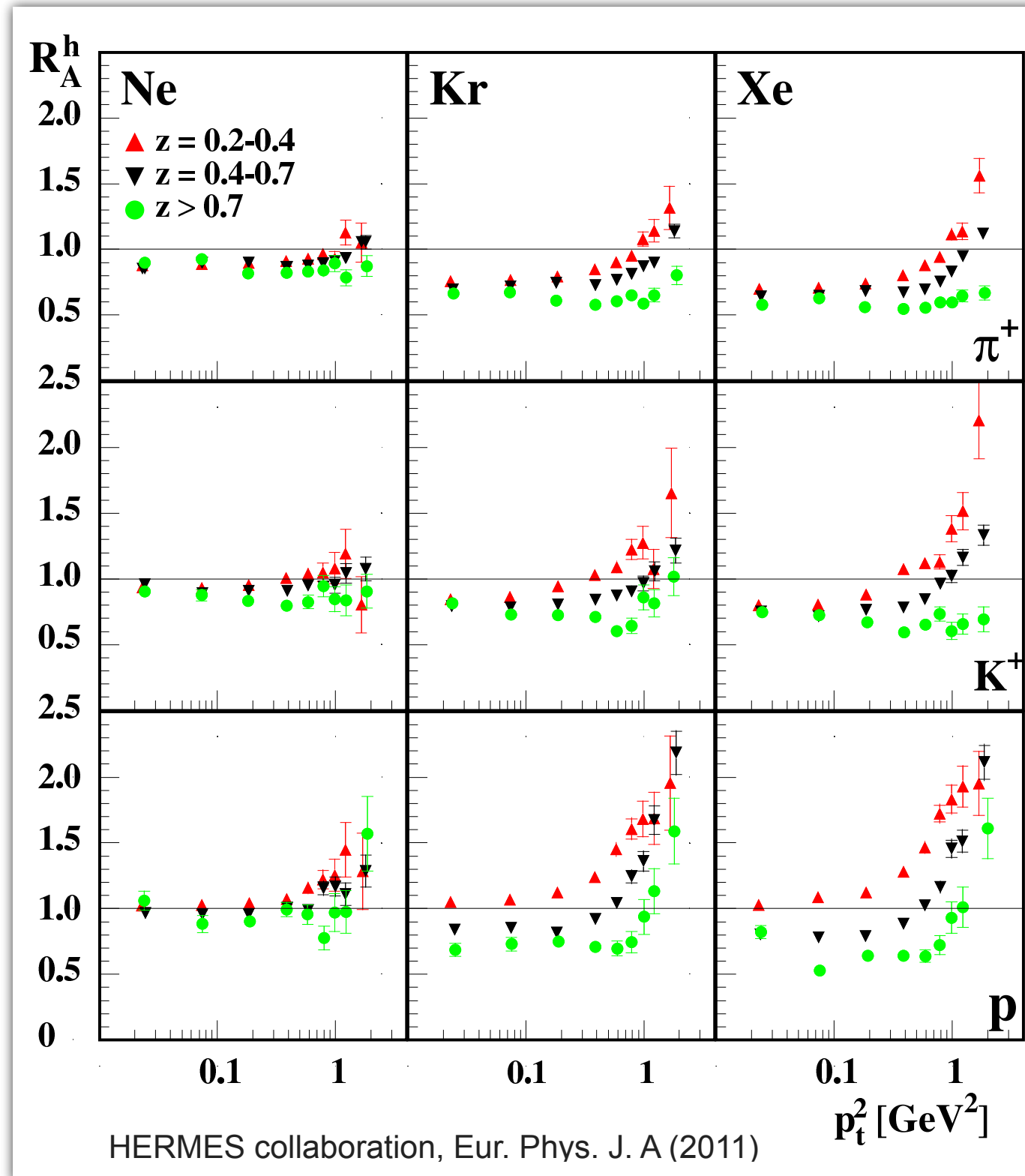
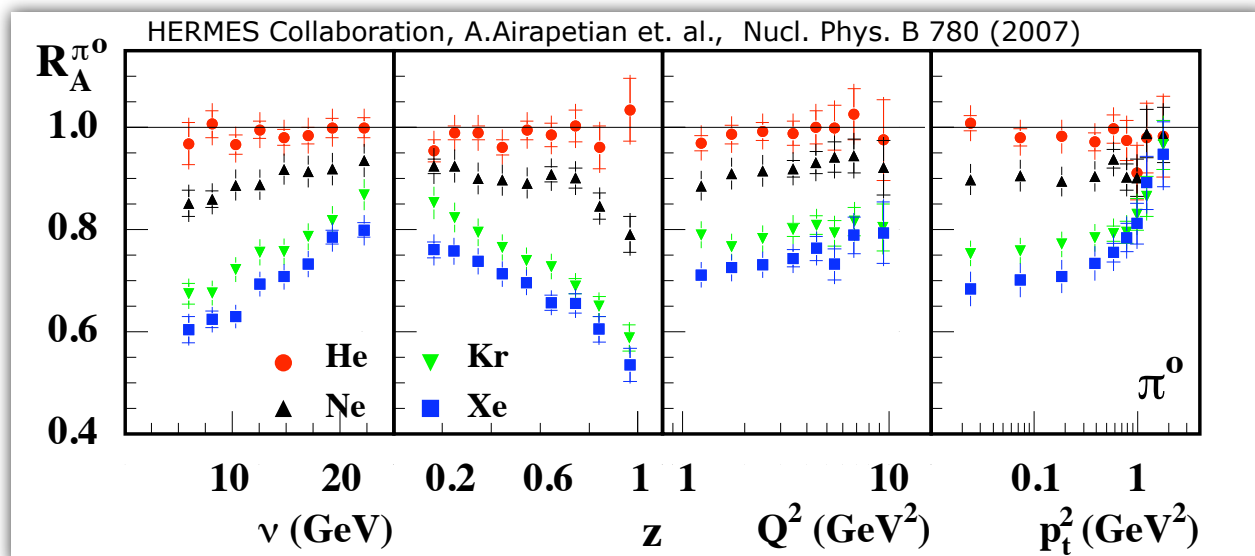
HERMES published results

multiplicities $R(z, pT^2)$
integrated over ν , Q^2

Flavor separation: $\pi^{+/-}$, $K^{+/-}$ and p/p

2D distributions for charged hadrons

1D extraction of multiplicities for π^0

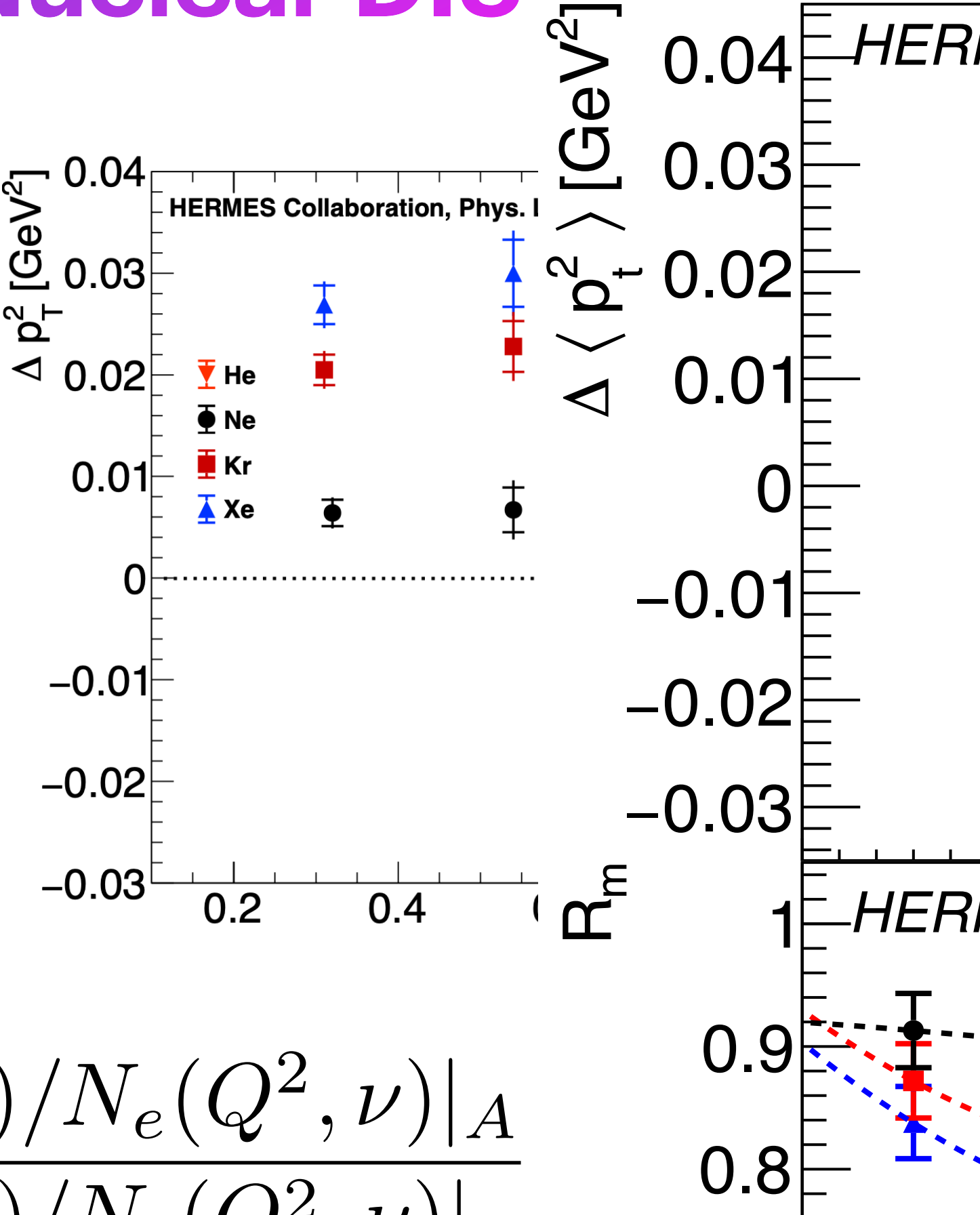


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HERMES published results

$$\Delta \langle p_T^2 \rangle$$

Maximum for pions of 0.03 GeV²



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