

New EMC Ratios in Lighter Nuclei Measured from Hall C JLab

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- Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS)
- The EMC Effect
- Experiment Overview of E12-10-008 at Hall C
- Preliminary Result & Summary

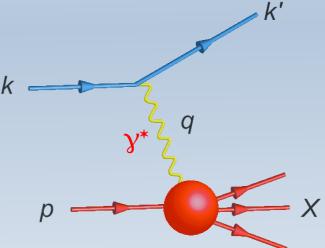
Electron Scattering and Nuclear Physics

Electron scattering is a powerful tool for studying the physics of nucleons in nuclei.

- > EM interaction is much weaker than strong interaction.
- Electron probe the whole volume without bias.
- Interaction describe by the exchange of virtual photons and are precisely calculable in QED.

Electron scattering can be used to study

- 1. Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)
- 2. Modification of Nucleon structure in Nuclei
- 3. Short Range Correlation (SRC)



Electron Scattering Kinematics

Useful quantities

Electron momentum transfer,

 $Q^{2} = -(P_{e} - P_{e}')^{2} = 4 E_{e} E_{e}' \sin^{2}(\vartheta_{e}/2)$ (ignoring lepton mass m_e)

Energy transfer,

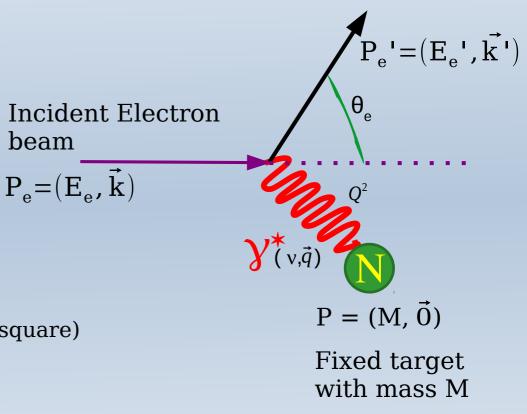
$$v = E_e - E'_e$$

Total Energy in CM

 $W^2 = M^2 + 2M\nu - Q^2$ (Invariant Mass square)

Bjorken Scaling

 $x = \frac{Q^2}{2 M v}$ (fraction of longitudinal momentum carried by struck quark)



Scattered electron

Electron-Nucleus Scattering Spectrum (schematic)

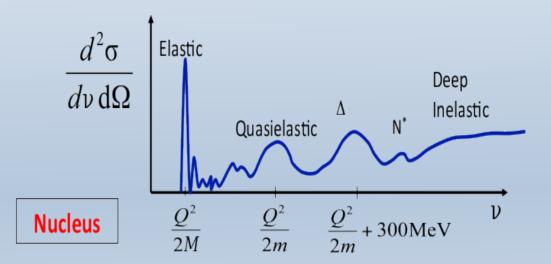
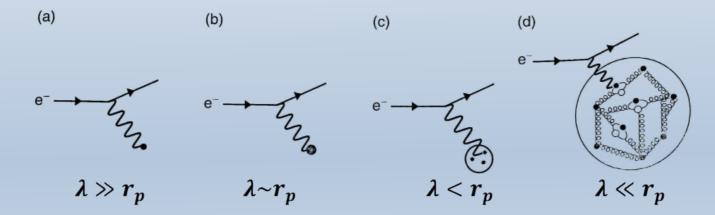


Fig: showing the main features of the excitation spectra for the electron scattering

- Elastic scattering: v = nuclear recoil energy (nucleus remains intact)
- Quasi elastic: v = elastic scattering off single nucleons inside nucleus
- Resonance : v = energy to produce excited states of target nucleus
- Deep Inelastic: v=energy to break up the nucleus

Electron Proton Scattering at high Q²

de Broglie wavelength: $\lambda = h/q$



- At low Q² (momentum carried by photon is low), its wavelength is long compared with the size of the proton. It will see the proton as a point (a)
- At Medium Q², its wavelength is comparable to the size of proton. Photon begins to resolve the finite size of proton (b)
- > At high Q^2 , its wavelength is much shorter than the size of proton. Photon resolve the internal structure of the proton (c & d)

DIS Cross section

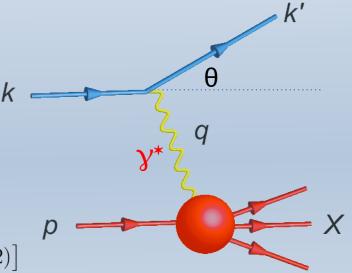
- Study of the partonic structure of the nucleon
- Can be described as inelastic scattering from non interacting, point like constituents in the nucleon

The x-sec for electron-nucleon scattering from the proton: $d^2\sigma = \alpha^2 E'$

$$\frac{d \ 0}{d\Omega dE'} = \frac{\alpha}{Q^4} \frac{E}{E} L_{\mu\nu} W^{\mu\nu}$$

In general, unpolarized differential cross-section in the lab frame can be written as:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \frac{4\alpha^2 E'^2}{Q^4} \left[2W_1(\nu, Q^2) \sin^2(\theta/2) + W_2(\nu, Q^2) \cos^2(\theta/2) \right]$$



 W_1 and W_2 parameterize the (unknown) structure of the proton

In the limit of large Q^2 , structure functions scale

$$2MW_1(x,Q^2) = F_1(x), \quad x \equiv \frac{Q^2}{2(P \cdot q)}$$
$$\nu W_2(x,Q^2) = F_2(x) \qquad = \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu} \text{ (lab frame)}$$

DIS Cross section

The total x-sec : $\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \Gamma\left(\sigma_T(x,Q^2) + \epsilon \sigma_L(x,Q^2)\right) = \Gamma \sigma_T\left(1 + \epsilon R\right), \ R = \sigma_L/\sigma_T.$

The flux of transverse virtual $\Gamma = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi^2 Q^2} \frac{E'}{E} \frac{K}{1-\epsilon}, \quad K = \nu(1-x)$ photons:

Ratio of the longitudinal to transverse virtual photon polarizations:

The structure fns in terms of the experimental xsec:

$$\epsilon = \left[1 + 2\left(1 + \frac{\nu^2}{Q^2}\right)\tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}\right]^{-1}.$$

$$F_1(x,Q^2) = \frac{K}{4\pi^2 \alpha} M \sigma_T(x,Q^2)$$

$$F_2(x,Q^2) = \frac{K}{4\pi^2 \alpha} \frac{\nu}{(1+\nu^2/Q^2)} [\sigma_T(x,Q^2) + \sigma_L(x,Q^2)].$$

Typically, $(\sigma_A/A)/(\sigma_D/2)$ and F_2^A/F_2^D are assumed to be identical that is only true in the limit $\varepsilon = 1$ or $R_A - R_D = 0$: $\frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_D} = \frac{F_2^A(x,Q^2)}{F_2^D(x,Q^2)} \frac{1+R_D}{1+R_A} \frac{1+\epsilon R_A}{1+\epsilon R_D}$; $\sim \frac{F_2^A(x,Q^2)}{F_2^D(x,Q^2)} \left[1 - \frac{\Delta R(1-\epsilon)}{(1+R_D)(1+\epsilon R_D)}\right].$

Nuclear Effects in DIS

Typical nuclear binding energies: MeV DIS scale : GeV

Naive expectation:

$$F_{2}^{A}(x) = ZF_{2}^{p}(x) + (A-1)F_{2}^{n}(x)$$

More sophisticated approach includes effects from Fermi motion

$$F_2^A(x) = \sum_i \int_x^{M_A/m_N} dy f_i(y) F_2^N(x/y)$$

 F_2^{N} is the S.F of nucleon, $f_i(y)$ is the probability (normalized to 1) that a nucleon of mass m_N has a longitudinal momentum fraction $y=(p^0+p^z)/m_N$

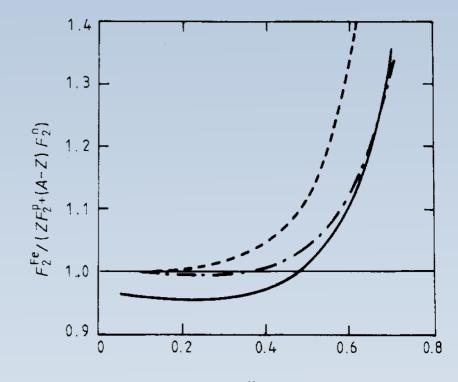


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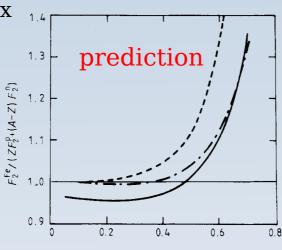
Bodek-Ritchie (1981) predictions for the fermi motion correction to the S.F of Fe.

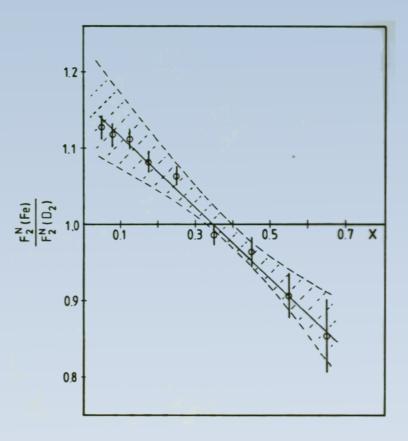
The EMC Effect

First published measurement of nuclear dependence of F_2 by the European Muon collaboration 1983

Observed 2 mysterious effects

- > Significant enhancement at small x
- > Depletion at large x



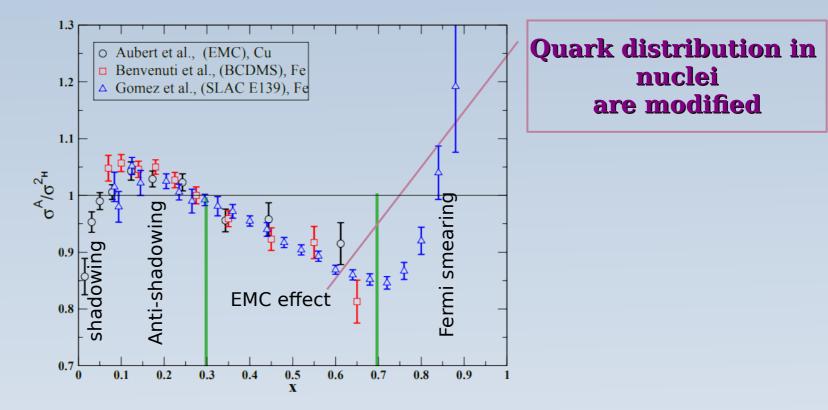


Aubert et. al, Phys Lett. B123, 275 (1983)

Importance of EMC Effect

- Understanding QCD
 - $\, {\scriptstyle \prime }\,$ How does the nucleus emerge from QCD, a theory of quarks and gluons?
 - A goal is to understand the structure of bound nucleons.
- Neutron structure function
 - $\, \cdot \,$ Almost all the information on neutron structure functions comes from deuterium data
 - Nuclear effects in deuterium is relevant for extraction of neutron information
 - ✓ Nuclear effects also matter for purpose of extracting the ratio $\frac{F_2''}{F_2''}$ (³H/³He).

The EMC Effect (subsequent Measurement)



- A program of dedicated measurements conducted at EMC(1983), BCDMS(1987), SLAC(1994).
- The resulting data is remarkably consistent over a large range of beam energies and measurement techniques.

Origins of the EMC Effect

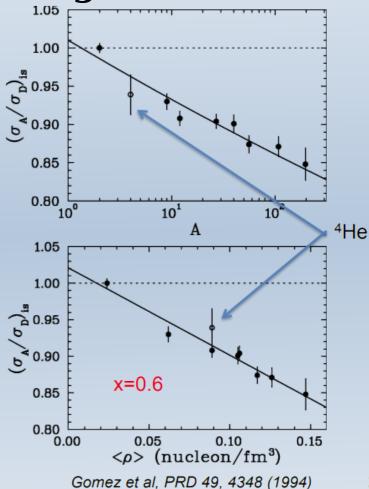
- The EMC effect cannot be described by calculations that include only "conventional" nuclear effects like fermi motion or binding (only when introducing off-shell effects)
- Early calculations using more interesting sources, like <u>multi-quark clusters</u> or <u>dynamical re-scaling</u> often treated the nucleus in a very simple manner (Fermi gas).
- More recent calculations describe the nucleus including QCD from the outset (Quarkmeson coupling)
- The ideal model would include best description of the nucleus, and then incorporate "extra" effects as needed

The EMC Effect: Existing data at large x

SLAC E139 studied the *Nuclear dependence of the EMC effect at fixed x

- SLAC E139
 - Most precise large x-data
 - > Nuclei from A = 4 to 197
- Conclusions from SLAC E139
 - > Q²-independent
 - > Universal x-dependence for all A
 - > A-dependent magnitude
 - Scales with log(A)
 - Scales with average density

*Nuclear dependence is interesting as it helps to provide more information to test models



Motivation: Jlab E03-103

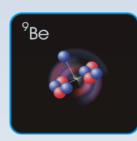
Measured σ_A/σ_D for ³He, ⁴He, Be, C

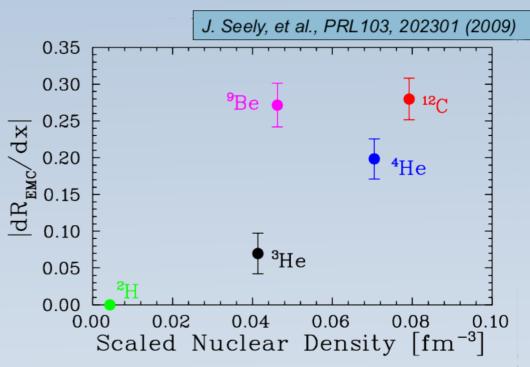
- ³He, ⁴He, C EMC effect scales well with density
- ⁹Be does not fit the trend

Conclusion:

- Both A and ρ dependent fits fail to describe these light nuclei
- Suggest that the EMC Effect does not scale with average nuclear density
- Hints that the effect may be driven by local environment

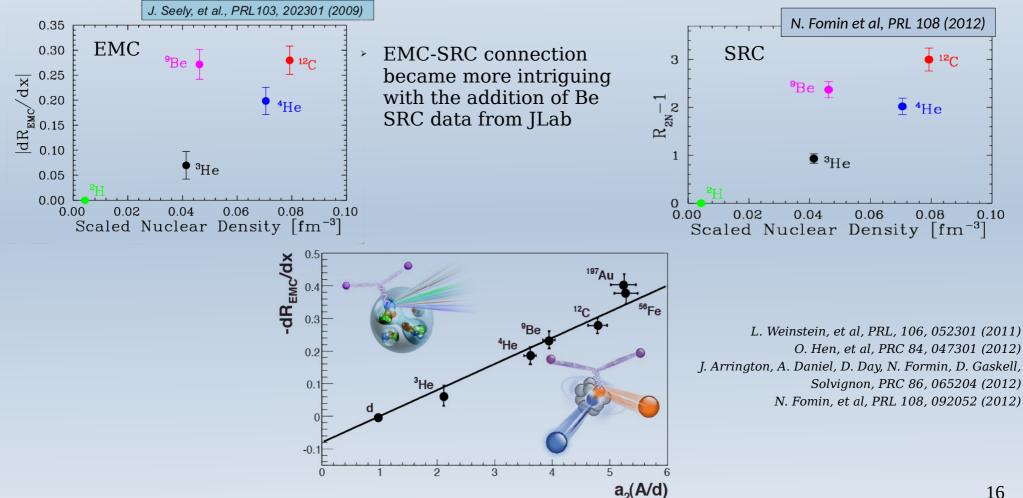






⁹Be structure : $2\alpha + n$

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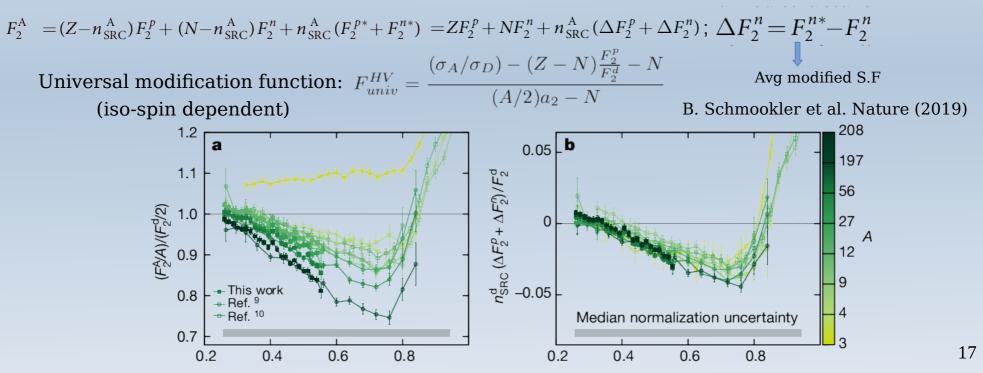
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Motivation: SRC & EMC correlation

Broadly two classes of hypotheses:

- High Virtuality (HV) EMC effect being driven by highly virtual (very off-shell) nucleon
- Local density (LD) EMC effect driven by the presence of nucleons in close proximity

A recent work : model modification of the nuclear S.F $(F_2^{\rm A})$ as entirely due to modification of np-SRC pairs ($n_{\rm SRC}^{\rm A})$

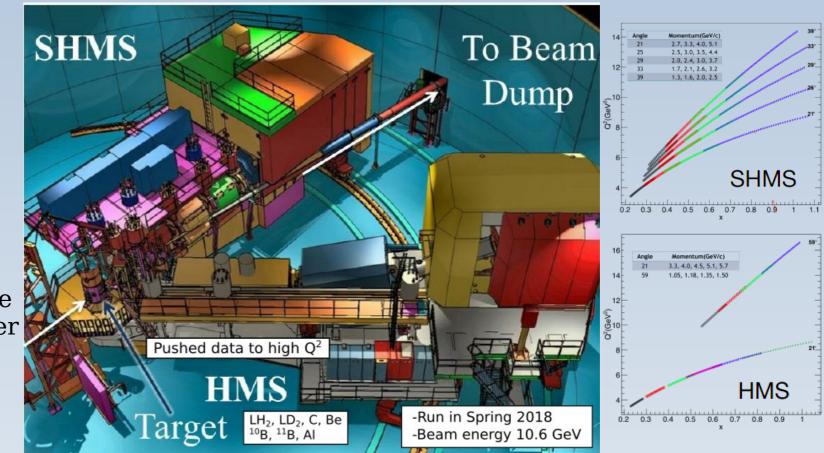


Motivation to E12-10-008

- Pushed to higher Q^2 , expand range in x (both high and low)
- Investigate the influence of local environment on the observed nuclear dependence with additional light nuclei.
- To map out the SRC/EMC connection for the additional light nuclei.

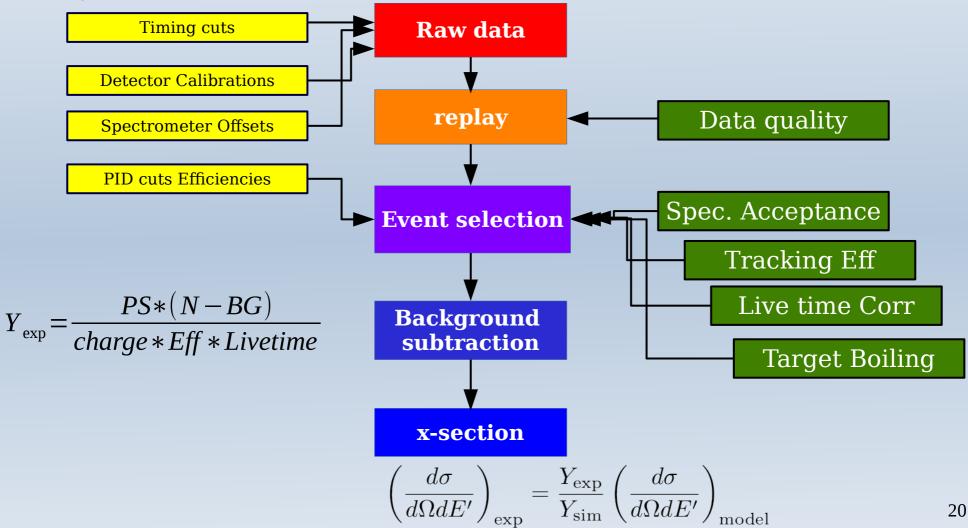
Overview of the Experiment

- Hall C Comissioning experiment
- Electrons detected in both SHMS & HMS
- Detector package
 - Drift Chamber
 - Hodoscopes
 - Cherenkovs
 - Calorimeter

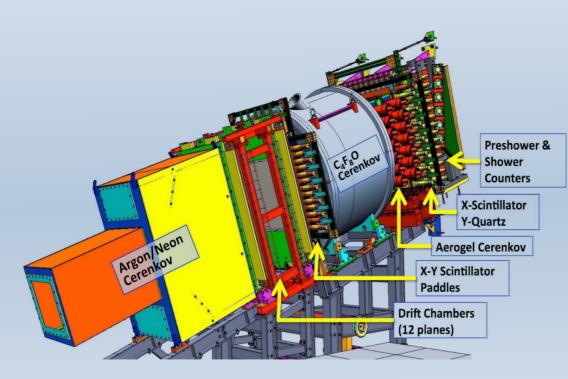


First measurement of EMC ratio in ¹⁰B, ¹¹B

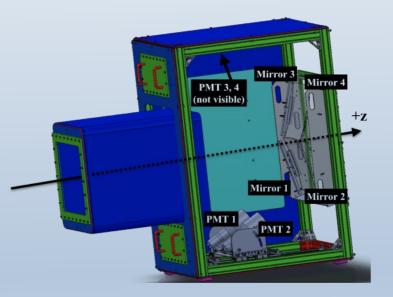
Analysis Workflow



Nobel Gas Cherenkov



SHMS detector stack



- Located in front of drift chamber
- A rectangular tank (2.5m x 0.8m)
- 4 spherical mirrors
- 1 atm pressure
- Filled with CO₂
- Pion threshold of $\sim 4.4 \text{ GeV}$

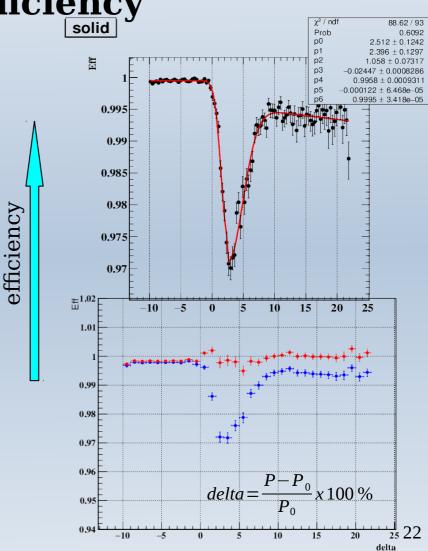
Nobel Gas Cherenkov Cut Efficiency

- $ngcer_{npe} > 2.0$ efficiency is tested
- Some fraction of electron is lost due to this cut and we need to account for that inefficiency
- Pure sample of electrons are prepared without using Cherenkov

$$\epsilon_{\rm eff}^{\rm cut} \!=\! \frac{N_{(all \& (ngcer_{\rm npe} > 2.0))}}{N_{all}}$$

Here, $N_{(all)}$ is total # of electrons passing our nominal cuts.

 Parameterized Cherenkov efficiency (curve) applied to production runs

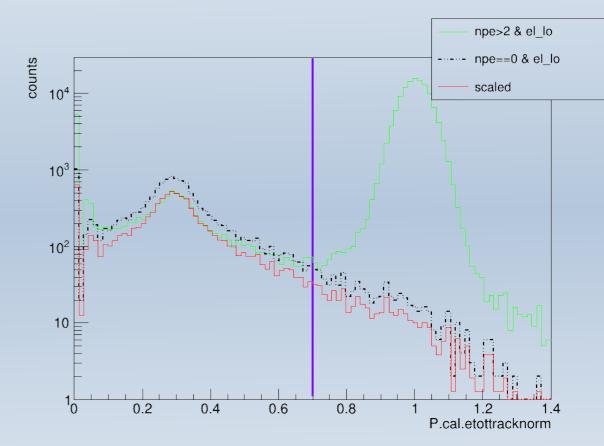


Background Correction: Pion Contamination

- Pions that pass the electron cuts need to be removed from yields
- Green histogram electron distribution
- Black histogram pion distribution
- Red histogram is scaled histogram
- Number of events in the normalized calorimeter distribution that pass

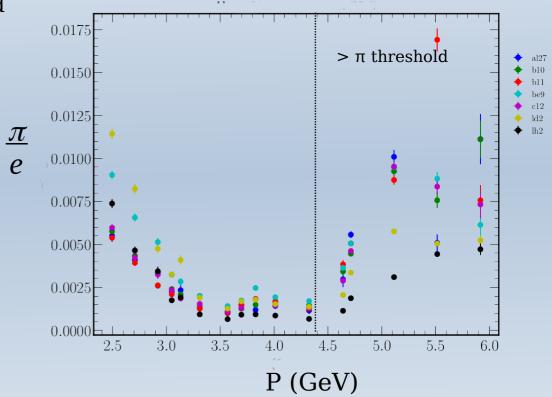
$$\frac{E_{calorimeter}}{E'} > 0.7$$

represents the pion contamination



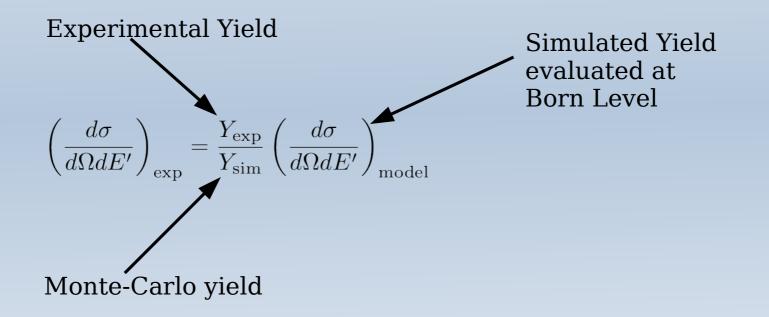
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- π/e ratio was calculated and parameterized as function of E' (P) .
- Analysis was done for each target (point+extended)
- Distribution shows a nice drop as momentum increases
- Increased in pion contamination after 4.5 GeV is due to fact pion threshold for cherenkov is $\sim 4.4~\text{GeV}$



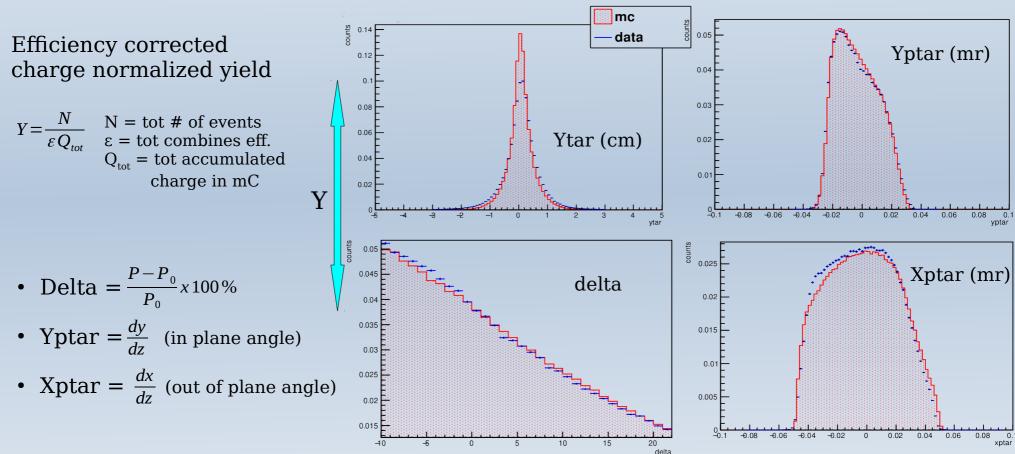
Cross-section extraction

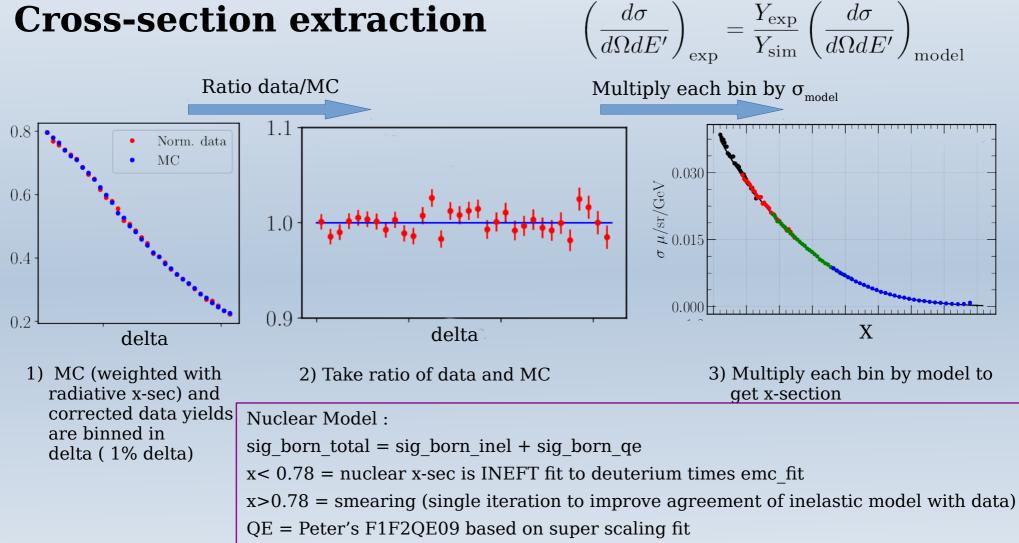
Yield is converted to x-sec via the Monte-Carlo ratio method:



Data VS MC Comparison (SHMS)

Reconstructed variable for Carbon at 4 GeV at 21° is shown.





Systematic uncertainties :

- Point to point (independent of target & x bins)
- x-correlated (vary in size with x, impact all points simultaneously)
- Normalization (contribute to all point collectively, affecting over all scale)

Source	Absolute	Relative	$\delta\sigma/\sigma(\%)$	$\delta R/R(\%)$	$\delta R/R(\%)$	$\delta R/R(\%)$
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SHMS Momentum	0.1 %	0.01 %	0.1 - 2.5 %	-	-	0.1 - 1.0 %
Beam Energy	0.1 %	0.005~%	0.5~%	-	-	0.0 - $0.5~%$
θ	$0.5 \mathrm{mr}$	$0.2 \mathrm{mr}$	0.5 - $3.0~%$	-	-	0.01 - $0.5~%$
charge	0.44 %	0.35~%	0.56~%	0.35~%	-	-
Target Boiling	0.31 %	$0.031 \text{-} 0.063 \ \%$	0.31~%	$0.031 \text{-} 0.063 \ \%$	0.31~%	-
Tracking Efficiency	1.0 %	0.2~%	1.0~%	-	-	-
Trigger Efficiency	-	0.02~%	0.02~%	-	-	-
Electronic Dead Time	0.1 %	(0.02 - 0.04)/(0.11 - 0.18)%	0.1~%	0.15~%	0.14~%	-
Computer Dead Time	-	-	-	-	-	-
CSB	-	$0.1/ \ 0.075 \ \%$	0.1/0.075~%	0.13~%	-	-
Pion Contamination	-	0.1~%	-	-	-	-
Radiative Correction	1.0 %	0.5~%	1.1 %	0.55~%	$0.5 \ \%$	-
Acceptance	1.0 %	0.1~%	0.1~%	-	0.1~%	-
$ au_D$	0.6 %	-	0.6~%	-	0.6~%	-
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${ au}_{B^{10}}$	0.66 %	-	0.66~%	-	0.66~%	-
$- \tau_{B^{11}}$	0.65~%	-	0.65~%	-	0.65~%	-
Acceptance point/extended target	-	_	-	$0.5 \ \%$	-	-
Endcap Subtraction	0.5 %	-	0.5~%	-	$0.5 \ \%$	-
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HMS Comparison	-	-	-	-	$0.5 \ \%$	-
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Uncertainty on charge

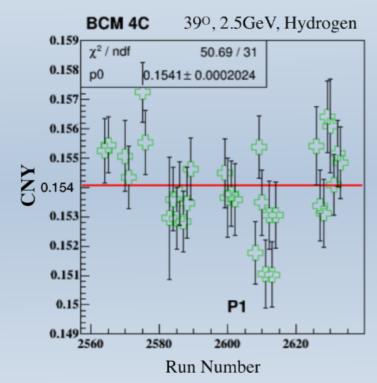
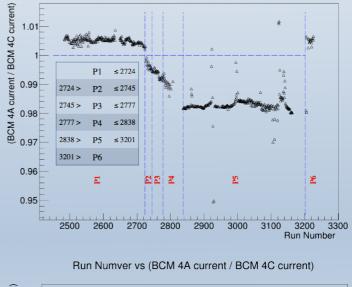
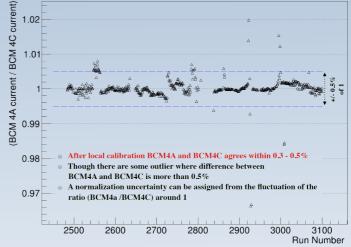


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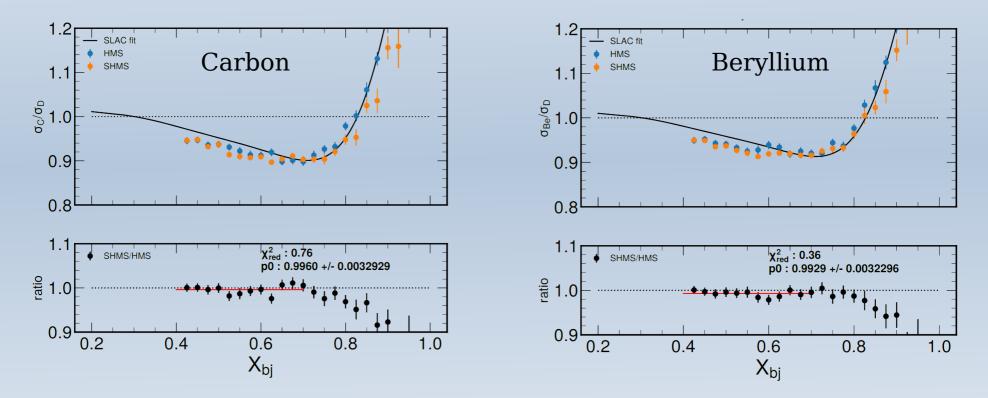
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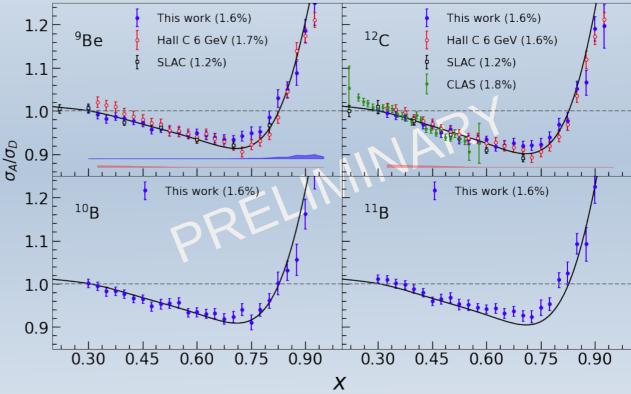
Cross check with HMS – limited x range



Normalization Uncertainty:

- EMC ratio systematically off by 2% than previous measurement
- Exists for all solid targets
- Possibly due to unknown effect with respect to the deuterium (thickness, density)
- From previous data, empirical observation, EMC ratio is 1 at x = 0.3, independent of target
- Used the extracted normalization factor
- Limitation on precision of previous world data at x =0.3, 1% uncertainty is added
- Slope has very small sensitivity to overall normalization of the EMC ratios.

- Ratio of x-sec per nucleon vs x
- Error bars include statistics combined with point-to-point systematic errors.
- The normalization error for each experiment is noted in the label
- The red and blue band denotes x-correlated error the Jlab Hall C 6 GeV and for this experiment.
- The solid black curve is the A-dependent fit of the EMC effect from SLAC 139.



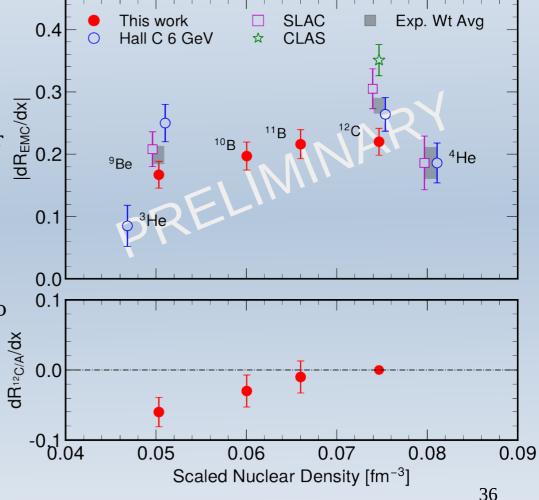
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Top:

- * Size of the EMC effect vs scaled Nuclear density.
- Some points have been offset horizontally for visibility.
- Grey band denotes weighted average for all experiments shown for a given target

Bottom:

- Slope extracted from x-section ratios of ¹²C to ⁹Be, ^{10,11}B from this experiment.
- * Size of the EMC effect: slope from x-sec ratio 0.3 < x < 0.7 scaled Nuclear density = ρ *(A-1)/A





- The First measurements of the EMC effect in ^{10}B and ^{11}B
- New information on the nuclear dependence of the EMC effect
- Strengthen the hypothesis that the EMC effect driven by local density

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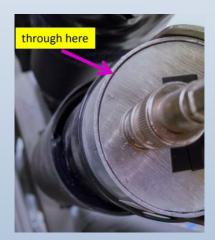
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SHMS scintillators work:

- Light leak
 - 3 Major source
 - Through central hole
 - Through gaps between back plates and walls of base
 - Through gaps in tapping around base







SHMS scintillators work:

- Solution
 - Apply teflon at the cathode
 - Tape over teflon
 - Wrap foam at the ends of the PMT to support
 - Position mu-metal
 - Put on the heat shrink
 - Apply silicone around boundary at the back



SHMS Quartz Bar:

- Problem : gassy PMTs & optical coupling
- Solution : replace PMTS & make thin but strong RTV couplings (~ 50 microns)



Steps :

- Pulled the old PMTs from the bar
- Cleaned the bars
- Made many RTV couplings
- Put together bench tests to check the bars with cosmics
- Tested the new PMTs to get the gain vs voltage curve
- Final assembly of the new PMT on the bars
- Tested all the bars with cosmics on the bench

Large Acceptance Calorimeter

- Identify the bad PMTs
- Replace with new ones



Neutral Particle Spectrometer



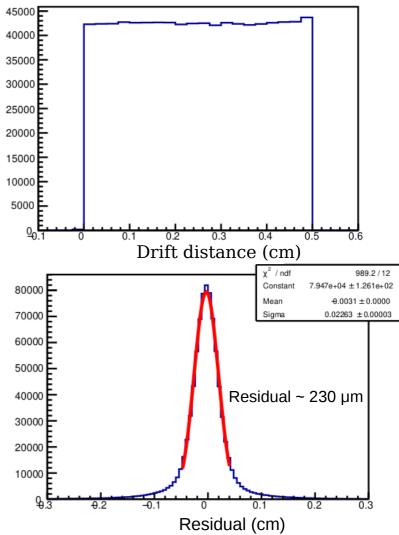
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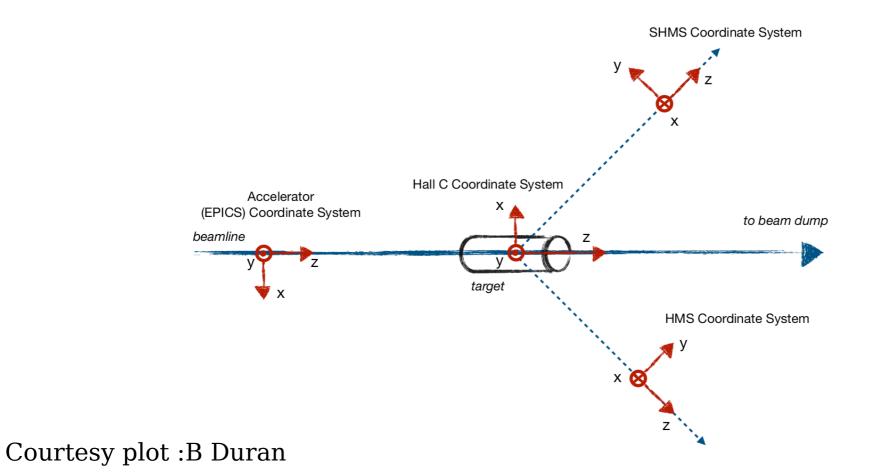
- Cleaning Crystal (PbWO₄)
- Wrapping with reflector
- Wrapping with tedlar

Calibration

Drift Chamber

- TDC values averaged over all wires forms drift time distribution – turned into drift distance
- Calibrations checked against Drift Distance plots and residuals – 'good' calibration produces flat drift distance





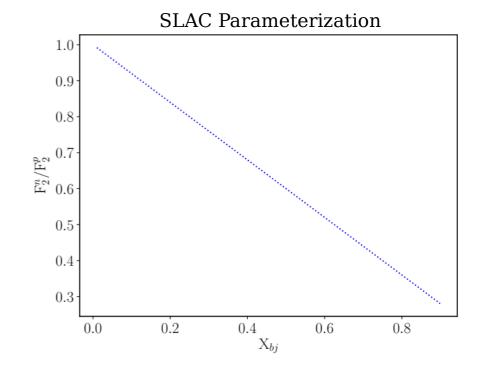
Analysis Status: Isoscalar correction

- Proton and neutron have different x-sections, x-sections for nuclei with $z \neq A/2$ will significantly differ from that of nuclei with z = A/2 (Isoscalar)
- Needs to correct for excess of neutrons or protons. The multiplicative correction factor is,

$$f_{iso}^{A} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + F_{2}^{n} / F_{2}^{p}\right)}{\frac{1}{A} \left(Z + (A - Z)F_{2}^{n} / F_{2}^{p}\right)}$$

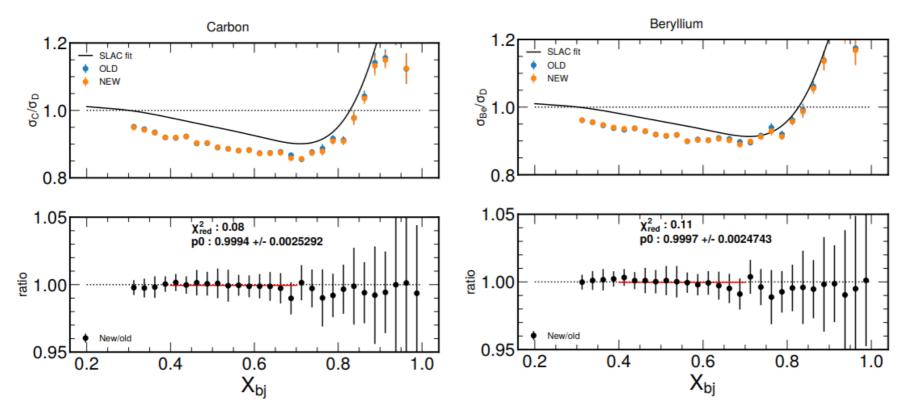
- Since there is no free neutron target, extraction of $F_2{}^{\rm n}\!/F_2{}^{\rm p}$ is always model-dependent
- Currently using SLAC Parameterization:

$$F_2^{n}/F_2^{p} = 1 - 0.8 * X_{Bj}$$

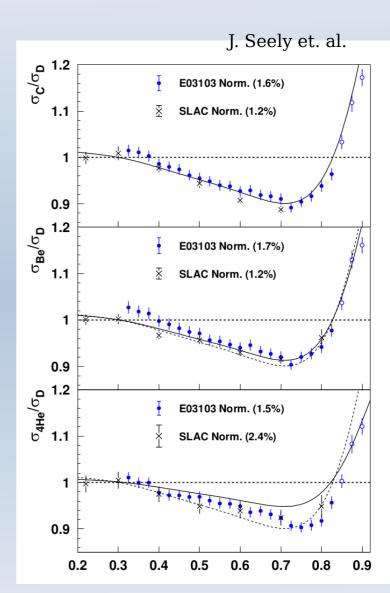


Update

Old = with Cherenkov New = no Cherenkov with cal >0.9



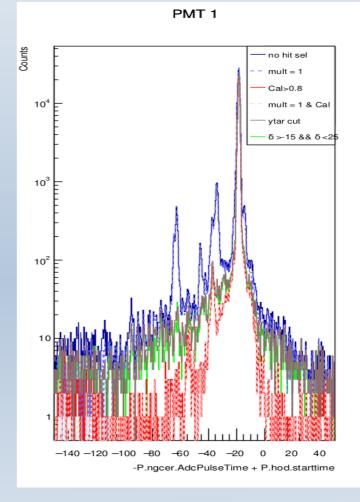
Note: Need to fix the error in the bottom plot, as I was treating them 2 statistically independent data set



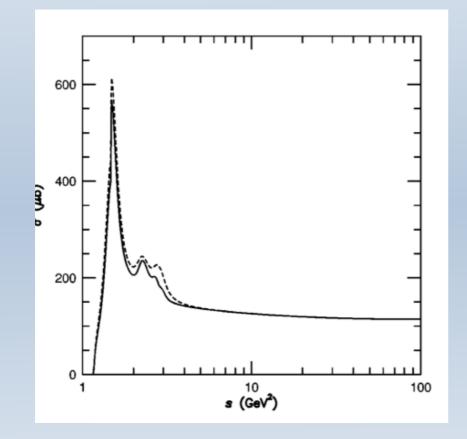
Timing Cuts

Timing window

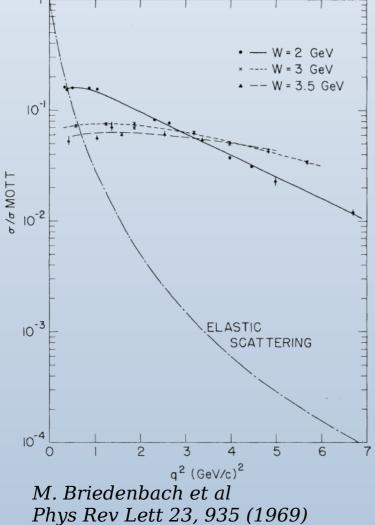
- Choosing appropriate time windows for each detector is important for hit selection
- Want to capture prompt peak signal and minimize background
- Sometimes signal is clean, sometimes window selection is not trivial



Pion Photo production



Scaling Observed in SLAC e-P scattering



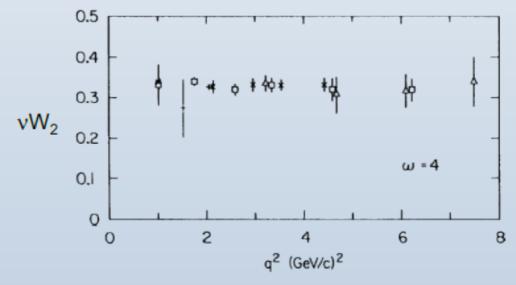
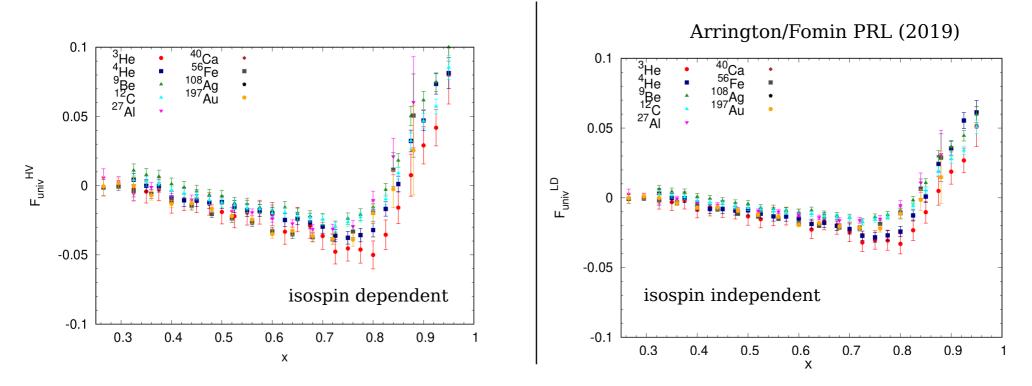


Fig: Quark and Leptons by Halzen & Martin

- > The ratio σ/σ_{mott} : no Q^2 dependence
- > Structure function, νW_2 (F₂) has no Q² dependence
- > What does this mean?
 - Scattering against something point like.

Motivation: SRC & EMC correlation



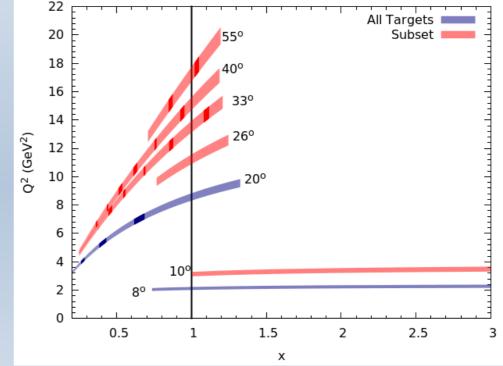
Extract universal functions to test both HV and LD hypotheses

Quantitative understanding requires additional light nuclei

Future Measurement: E12-10-008 Phase - II Kinematic Overview

Spectrometer	Angle	Momentum (GeV/c)	Beam Energy (GeV)
SHMS	8 - 33	1.4 - 10.6	11
HMS	20 - 55	1.4 - 6.4	11

- Runs concurrently with E12-06-105 (x>1)
- Covers range of angles
- HMS and SHMS run in parallel
- 23 PAC days for Phase I and Phase II
 - 2 days completed spring 2018 (Phase I)
- * Running Aug 27, 2022



- Plot shows kinematics coverage for EMC and x>1.
- The lower x represent the EMC effect data

Electron-Nucleon Scattering Spectrum (schematic)

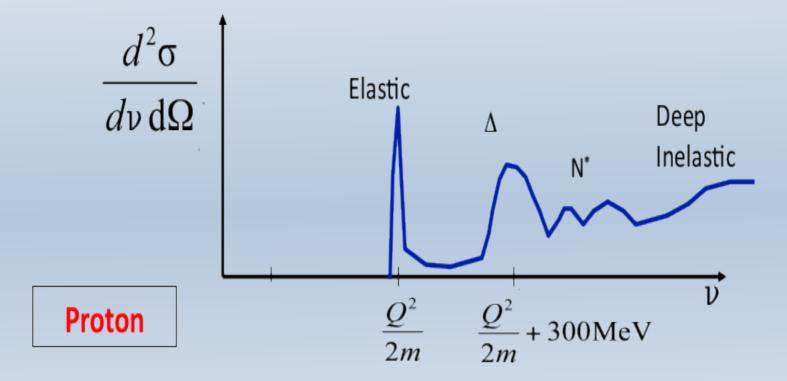


Fig: Schematics showing the main features of the excitation spectra for the electron scattering

Quark-Parton Model

- First proposed by Richard Feynman
- \succ The nucleon is made of point-like free quarks with spin $\frac{1}{2}$
- Scattering off the nucleon is incoherent sum of elastic scattering of quarks
- > The probability, f(x) for a quark to carry momentum fraction x, does not depend on

the process or nucleon energy but it is intrinsic property for high energy nucleon

> This model explains Q² independence in Structure functions ('Bjorken scaling')

Quark-Parton Model

In this model, structure fns F_1 and F_2 are expressed in terms of the quarks and anti-quarks distribution functions as:

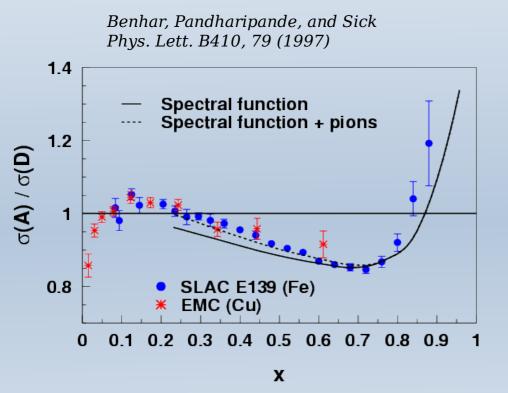
$$F_2(x) = 2xF_1 = x\sum_q e_q^2(q(x) + \bar{q}(x)),$$

where,

 e_a are the quark charges

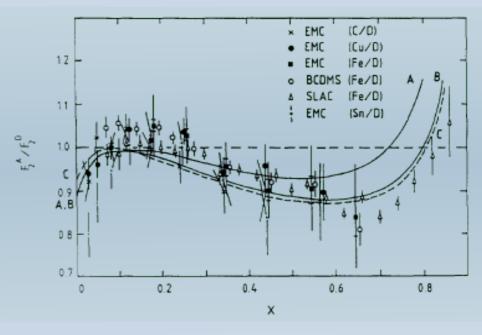
 q_x gives the probability that a quark flavor of q carries momentum lies in the range [x, x+dx] and sum runs over all quark flavor

Calculation of the EMC Effect



Conventional Models

K.E. Lassila and U.P. Sakhatme Phys. Lett. B209, 343 (1988)



Exotic Models (multi-quark cluster)

CEBAF : The Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility



Future Measurement: E12-10-008 Phase - II Kinematic Overview

- Target Choice motivated by physics impact
 - → To study A dependence at fixed N/Z
 - \checkmark To study N/Z dependence at fixed A
- Focus on target ratios
 - Light nuclei: cluster structure (Reliable calculation of nuclear structure)
 - → Heavier nuclei: vary N/Z
- Large range of nuclei will test the proposed universal modification function of SRC-EMC correlation

