

Short Range Correlations (Hard Nuclear Processes)

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I. Short Range Correlation Studies

1. Outstanding Problems in SRC studies
2. Choosing the probe reaction
3. Probing the deuteron at small distances
4. Probing multi-nucleon SRCs in medium to heavy nuclei

II. Hard Photodisintegration of few-body systems

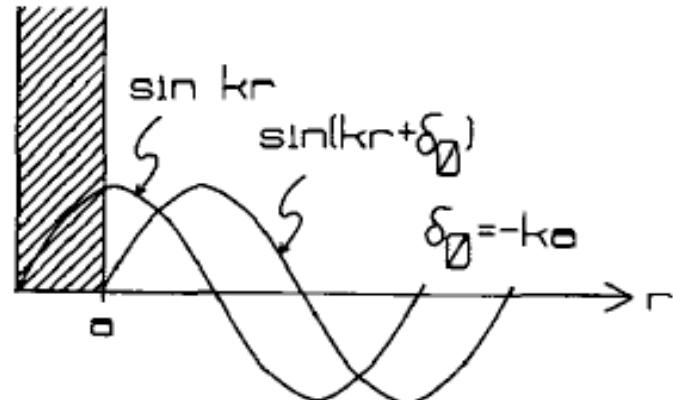
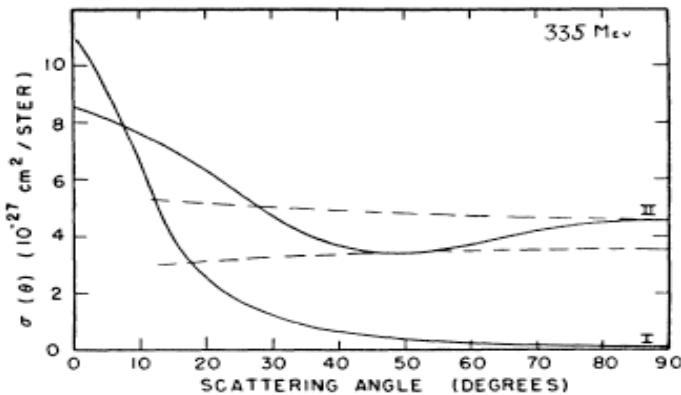
1. Probing the mechanism of hard QCD hadronic interaction
2. Probing Non-nucleonic degrees of freedom/hidden color
3. Extracting J/Psi-N interaction near the threshold

1. Outstanding Problems in SRC studies

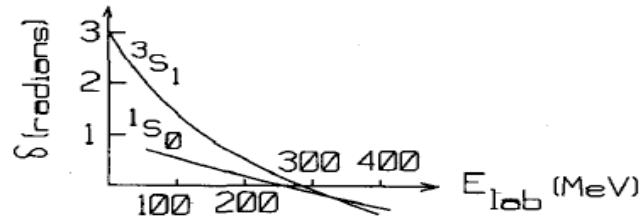
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- Direct Observation of 3N SRCs
- Non-Nucleonic Content of 2N SRCs

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Jastrow 1951 assumed the existence of the hard core to explain the angular distribution of pp cross section at 340 MeV ($r_0=0.6\text{fm}$)



$$r_0 = 0.4\text{fm}$$



Stability Theorem: Nuclei will Collapse without Repulsive interaction 1950s Weisskopf, Blatt

Modern NN Potentials

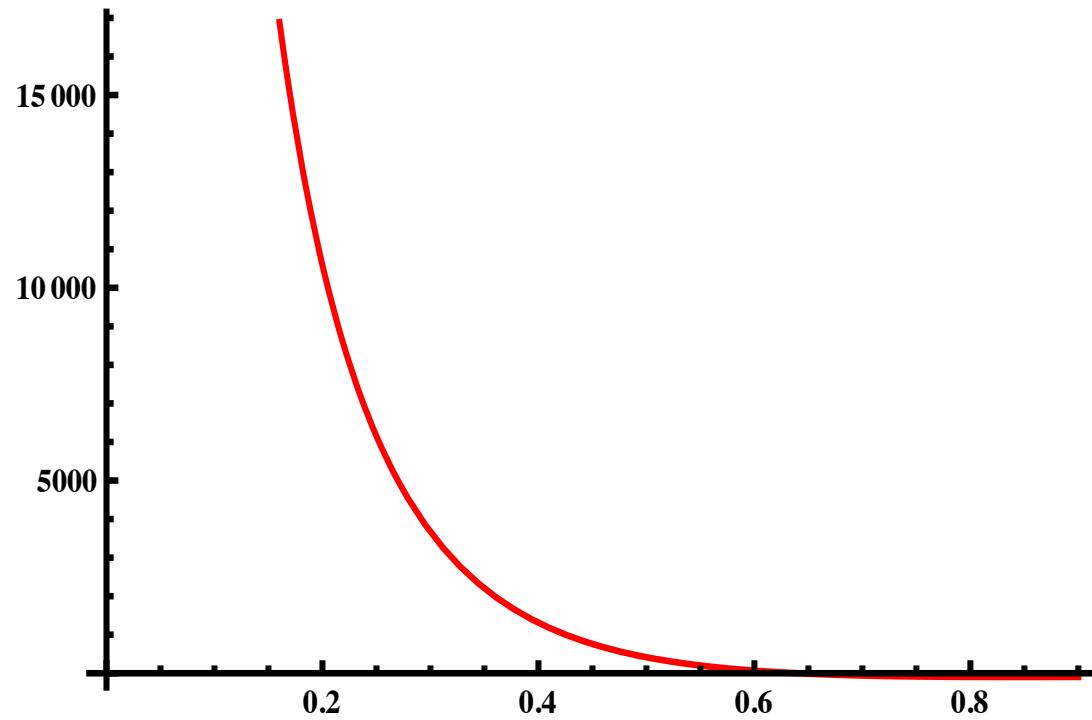
$$V^{2N} = V_{EM}^{2N} + V_\pi^{2N} + V_R^{2N}$$

$$V_R^{2N} = V^c + V^{l2}L^2 + V^tS_{12} + V^{ls}L \cdot S + v^{ls2}(L \cdot S)^2$$

$$V^i = V_{int,R} + V_{core}$$

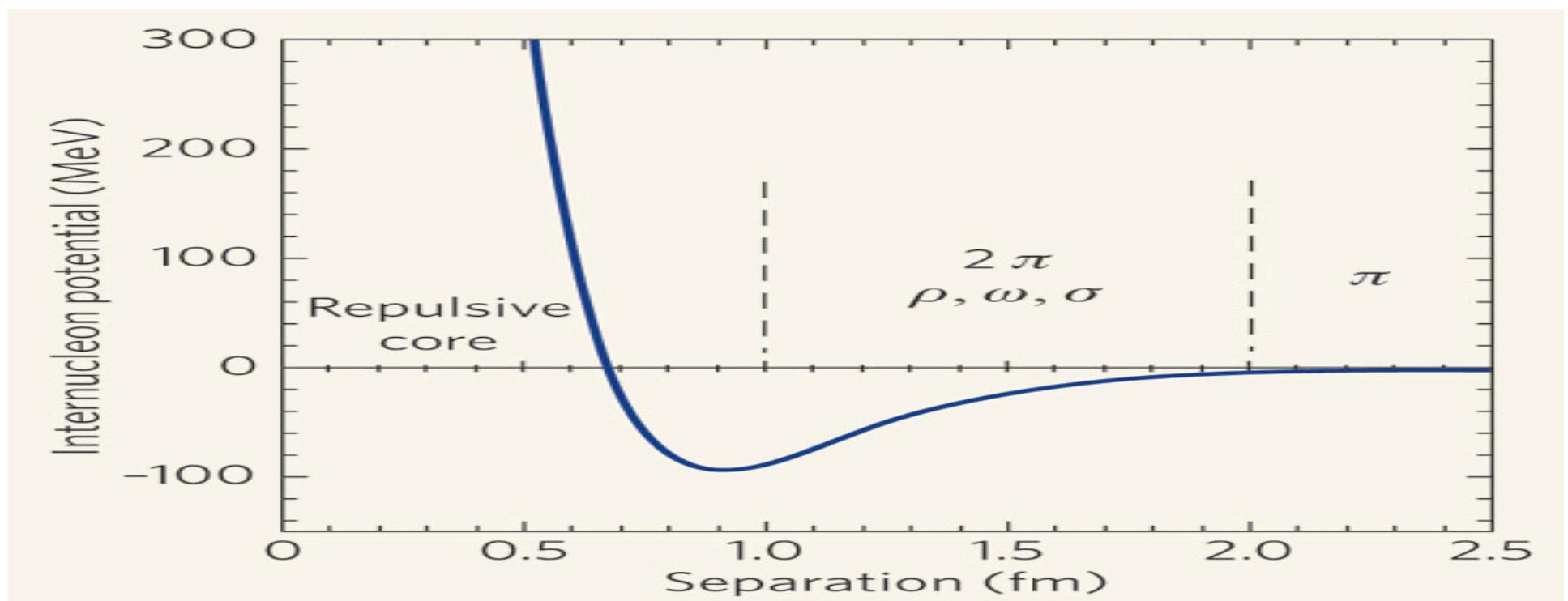
$$V_{core} = \left[1 + e^{\frac{r-r_0}{a}} \right]^{-1}$$

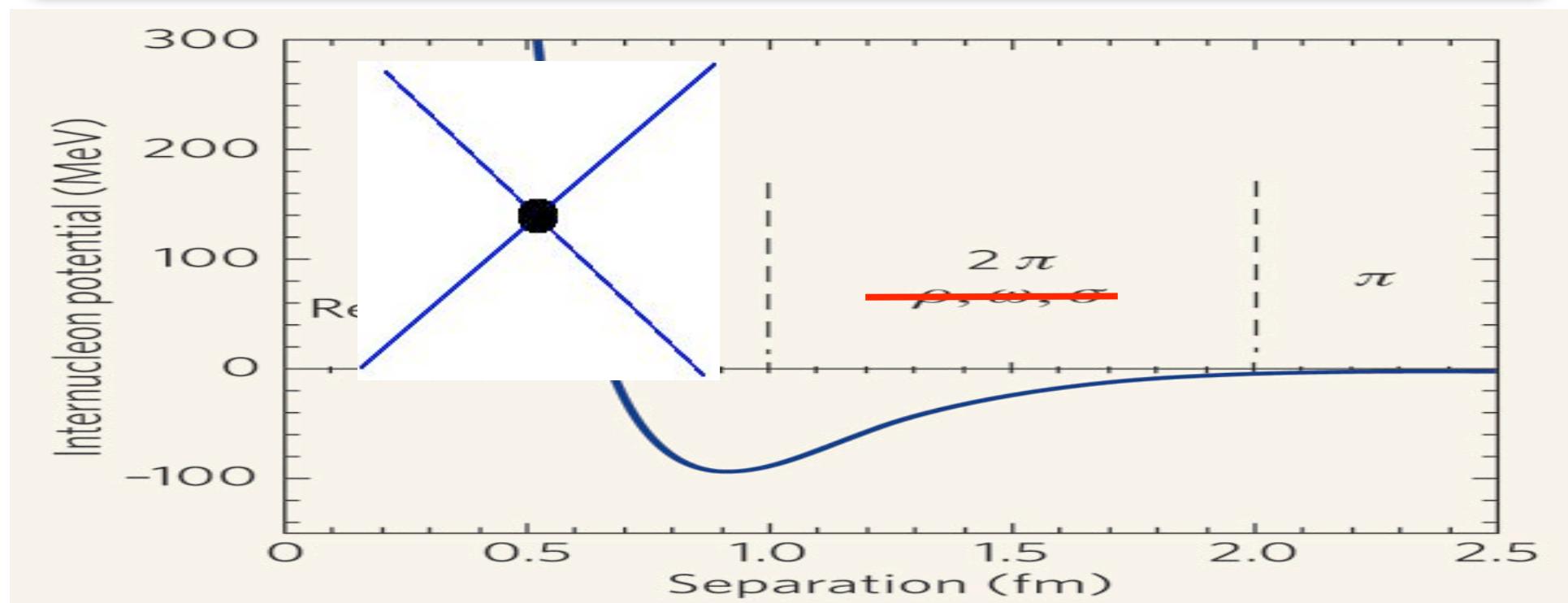
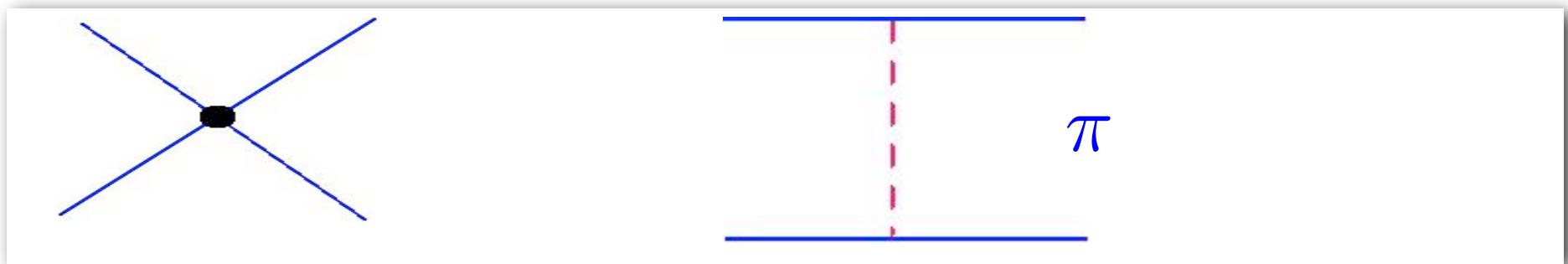
60's



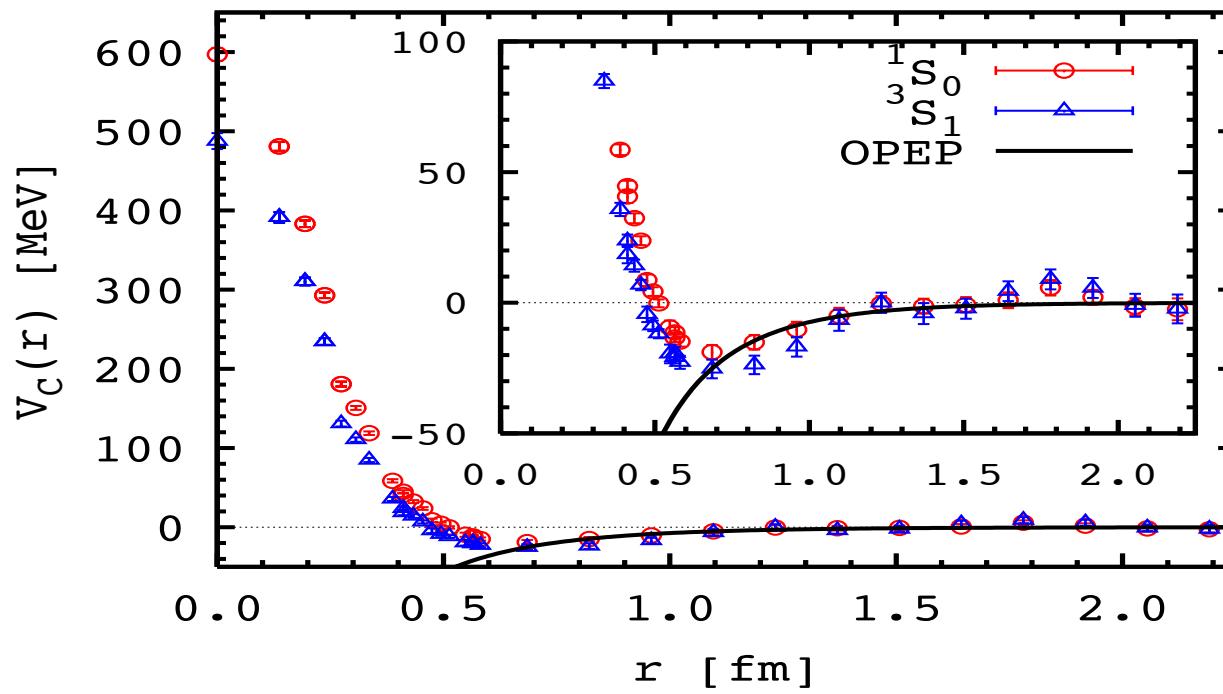


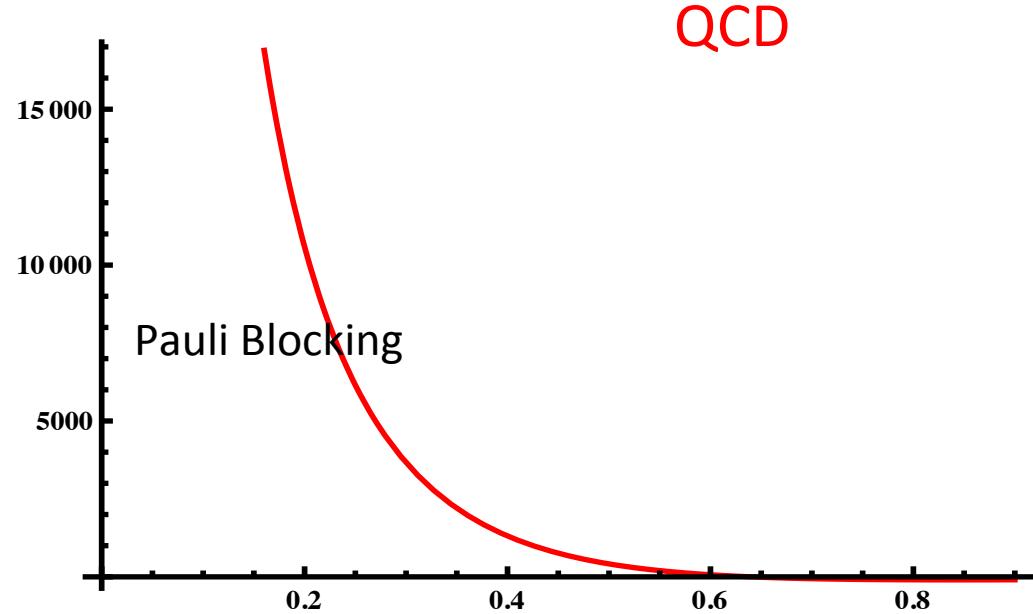
$\sigma, \pi, \rho, \omega, \dots$



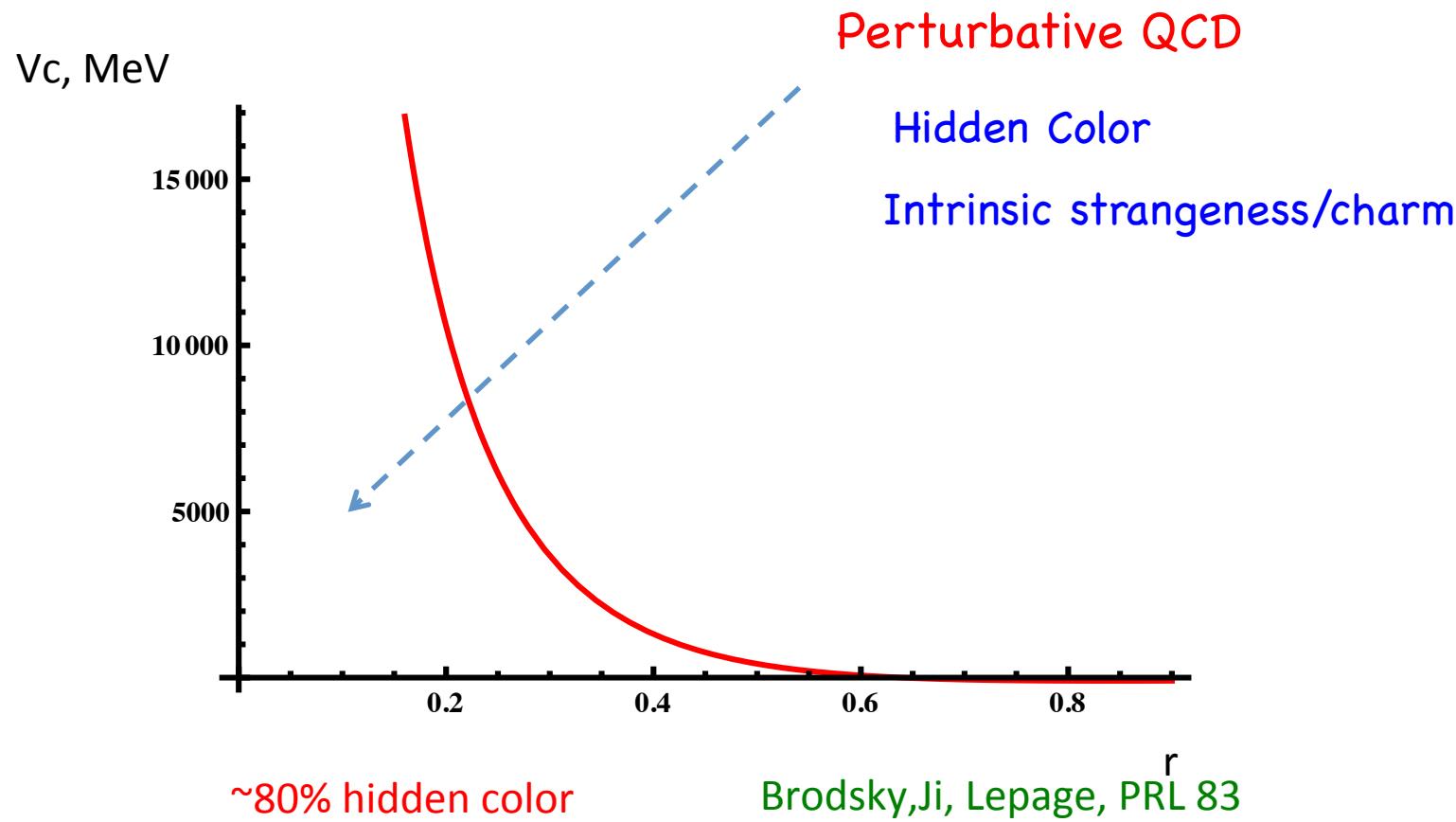


Lattice Calculations





Contradicts Neutron Star Observations:
will predict masses not more than 0.1 - 0.6 Solar mass



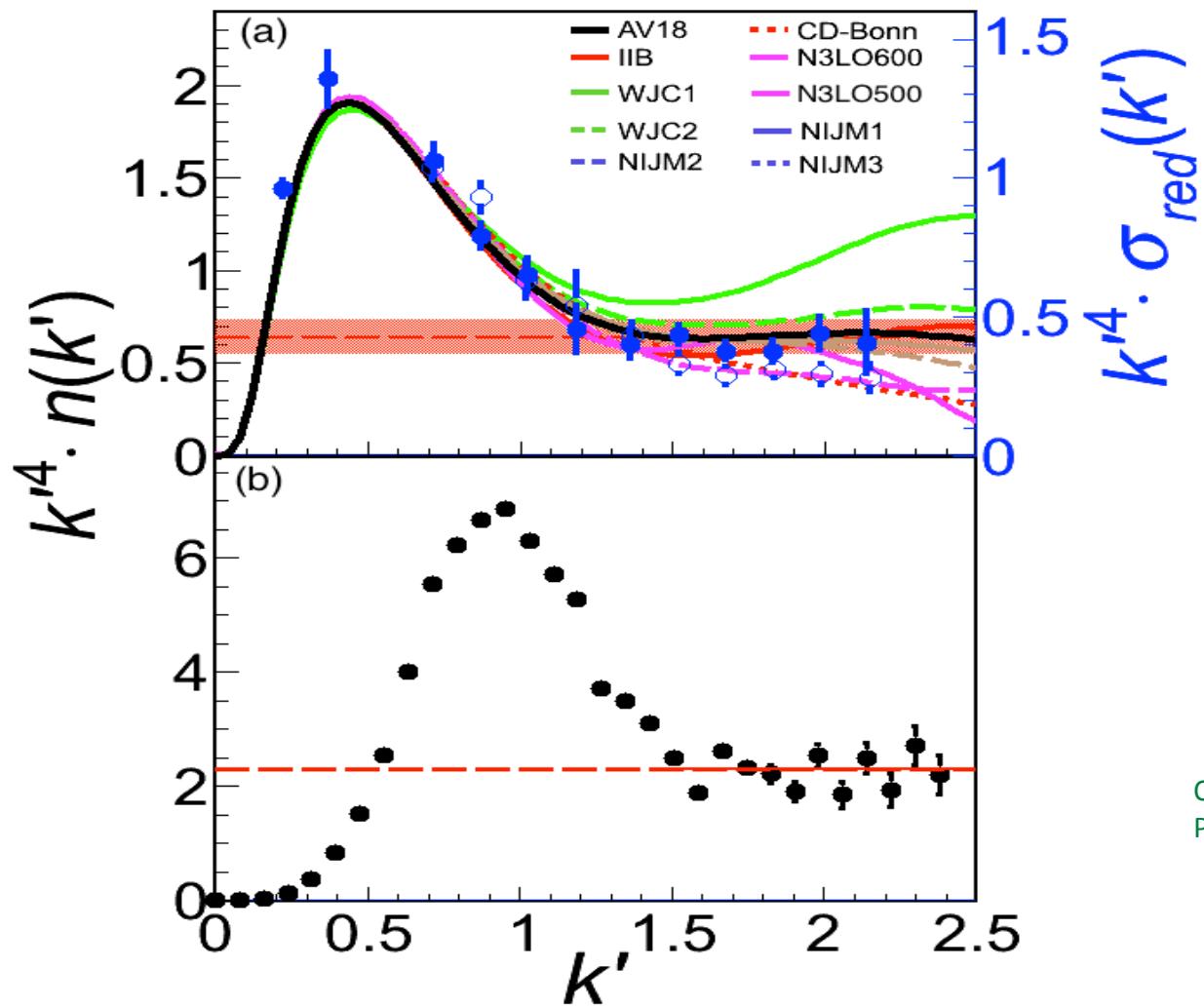
Probing the Deuteron at Short Distances

$$\Psi_d = \Psi_{pn} + \Psi_{\Delta\Delta} + \Psi_{NN^*} + \Psi_{hc} \dots$$

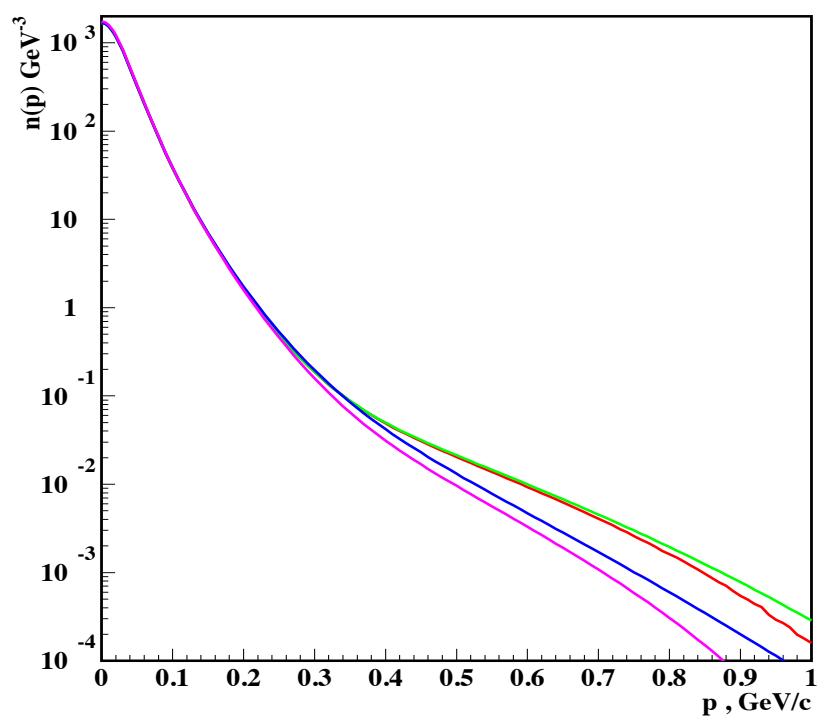
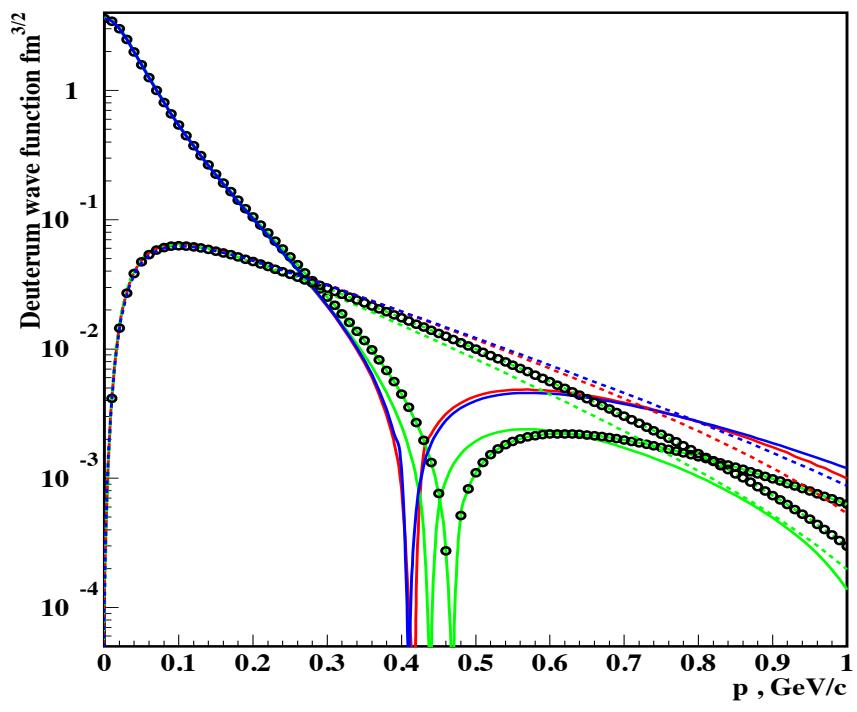
$$\Psi_{hc} = \Psi_{N_c, N_c}$$

The NN core can be due to the orthogonality of

$$\langle \Psi_{N_c, N_c} | \Psi_{N, N} \rangle = 0$$



O.Hen et al
Phys. Rev. C 2014



Probing Polarized Structure of the Deuteron at $x > 1$

- Tensor Polarized Deuteron = Compact Deuteron

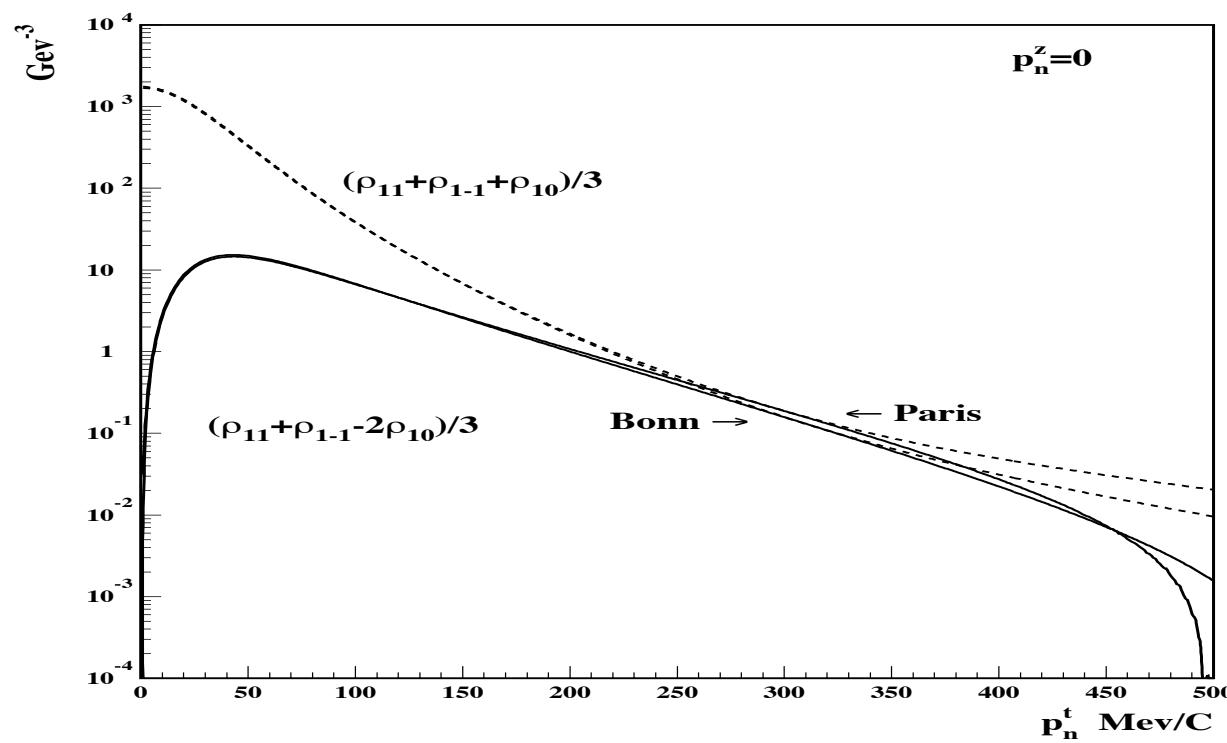
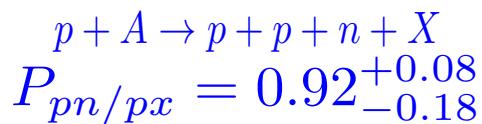


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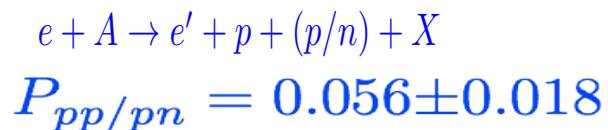
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for large $k > k_{Fermi}$

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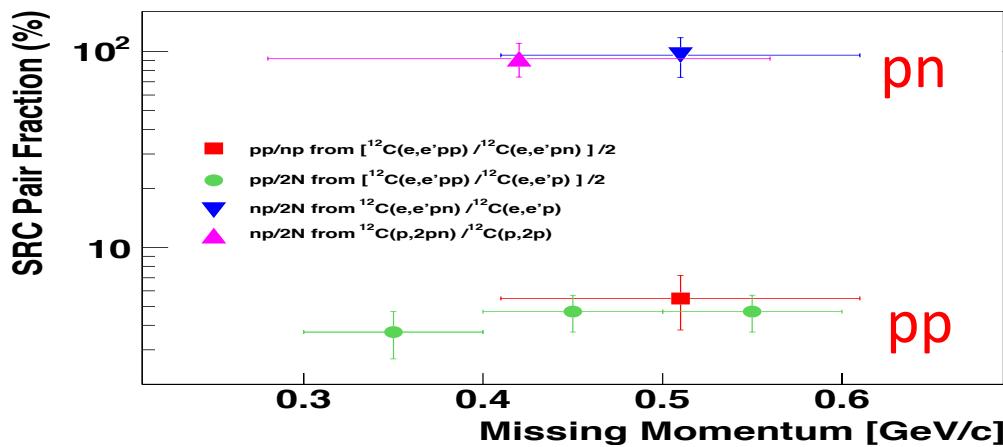


$$\frac{P_{pp}}{P_{pn}} \leq \frac{1}{2}(1 - P_{pn/pX}) = 0.04^{+0.09}_{-0.04}.$$



Direct Measurement at JLab

R.Subdei, et al Science , 2008



Theoretical analysis of BNL Data

E. Piasetzky, MS, L. Frankfurt,
M. Strikman, J. Watson PRL , 2006

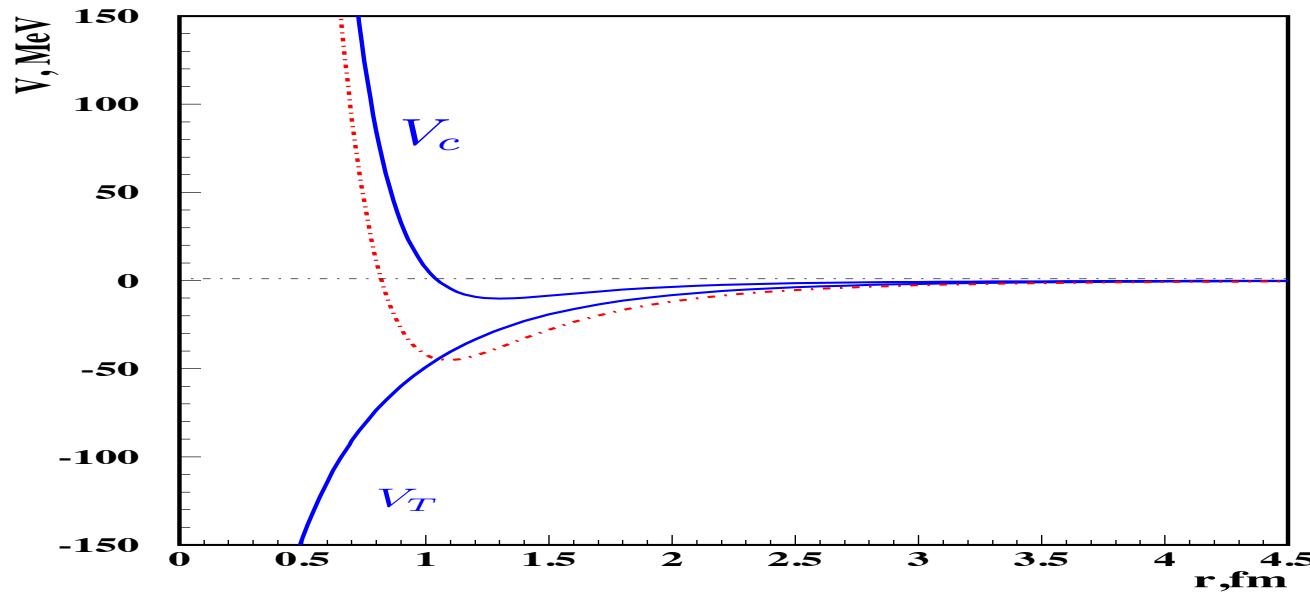
Factor of 20

Expected 4
(Wigner counting)

Theoretical Interpretation

$$\Phi^{(1)}(k_1, \dots, k_c, \dots, -k_c, \dots, k_A) \approx \frac{U_{NN}(k_c)}{k_c^2} F_A(k_1, \dots' \dots', \dots, k_A)$$

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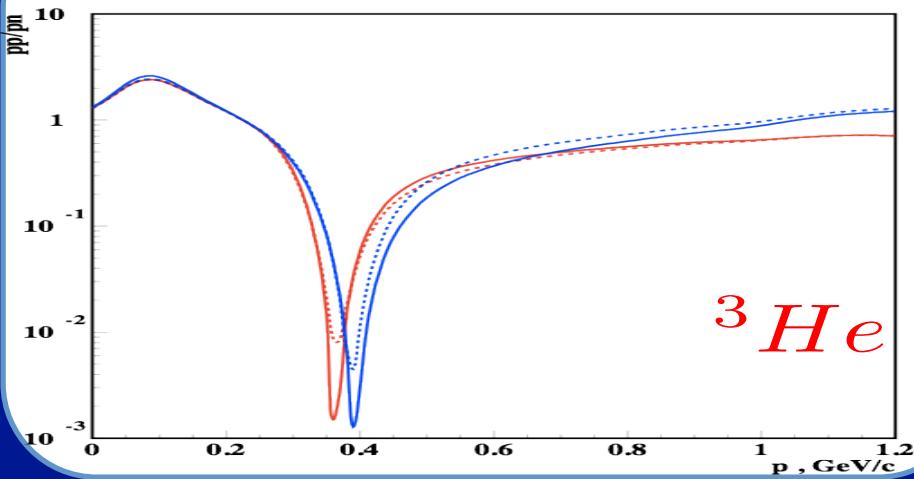


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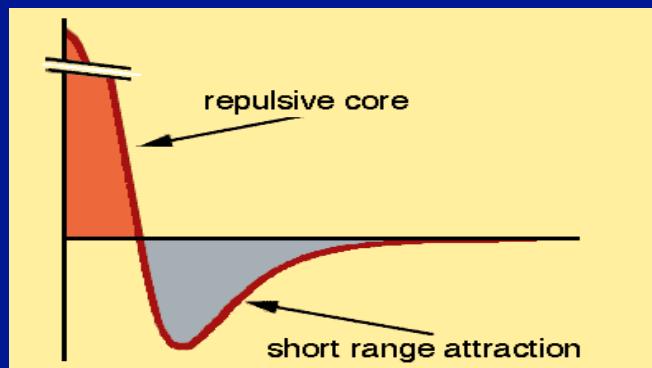
$$V_{NN}(r) \approx V_c(r) + V_t(r) \cdot S_{12}(r) + V_{LS} \cdot \vec{L} \vec{S}$$

$$S_{12} = 3(\sigma_1 \cdot \hat{r})(\sigma_2 \cdot \hat{r}) - \sigma_1 \sigma_2$$

M.S. Abrahamyan, Frankfurt, Strikman PRC, 2005



$S_{12}|pp\rangle = 0$
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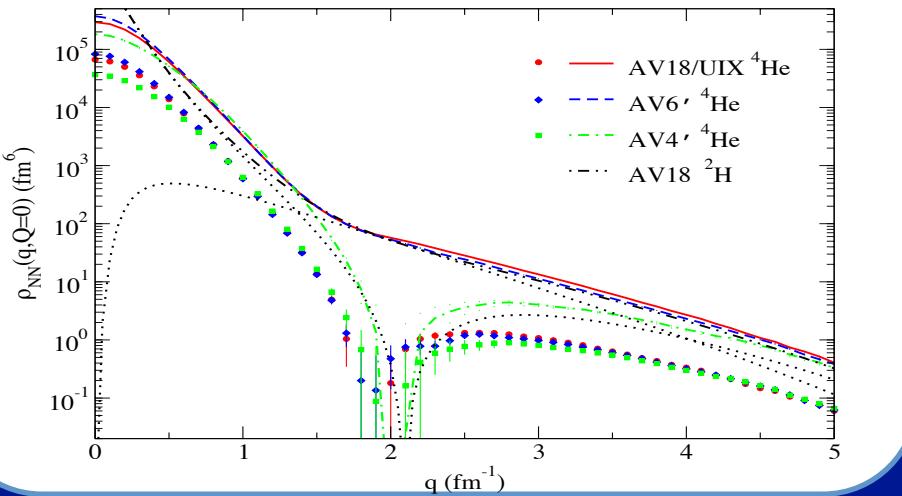


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Sciavilla, Wiringa, Pieper, Carlson PRL,2007

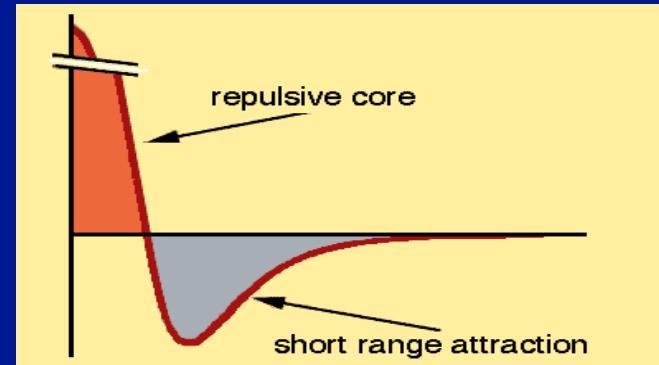


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- *Dominance of pn short range correlations as compared to pp and nn SRCS*
- *Dominance of NN Tensor as compared to the NN Central Forces at $\leq 1fm$*

2006-2008s

- Two New Properties of High Momentum Component
- Energetic Protons in Neutron Rich Nuclei

at $p > k_F$

$$n^A(p) \sim a_{NN}(A) \cdot n_{NN}(p) \quad (1)$$

- Dominance of pn Correlations
(neglecting pp and nn SRCs)

$$n_{NN}(p) \approx n_{pn}(p) \approx n_{(d)}(p) \quad (2)$$

$$n^A(p) \sim a_{pn}(A) \cdot n_d(p)$$

$$a_2(A) \equiv a_{NN}(A) \approx a_{pn}(A)$$

- Define momentum distribution of proton & neutron

$$n^A(p) = \frac{Z}{A} n_p^A(p) + \frac{A - Z}{A} n_n^A(p) \quad (3)$$

$$\int n_{p/n}^A(p) d^3p = 1$$

- Define

$$I_p = \frac{Z}{A} \int_{k_F}^{600} n_p^A(p) d^3p \quad I_n = \frac{A - Z}{A} \int_{k_F}^{600} n_n^A(p) d^3p$$

- and observe that in the limit of no pp and nn SRCs

$$I_p = I_n$$

- Neglecting CM motion of SRCs

$$\frac{Z}{A} n_p^A(p) \approx \frac{A - Z}{A} n_n^A(p)$$

First Property: Approximate Scaling Relation

-if contributions by pp and nn SRCs are neglected and
the pn SRC is assumed at rest

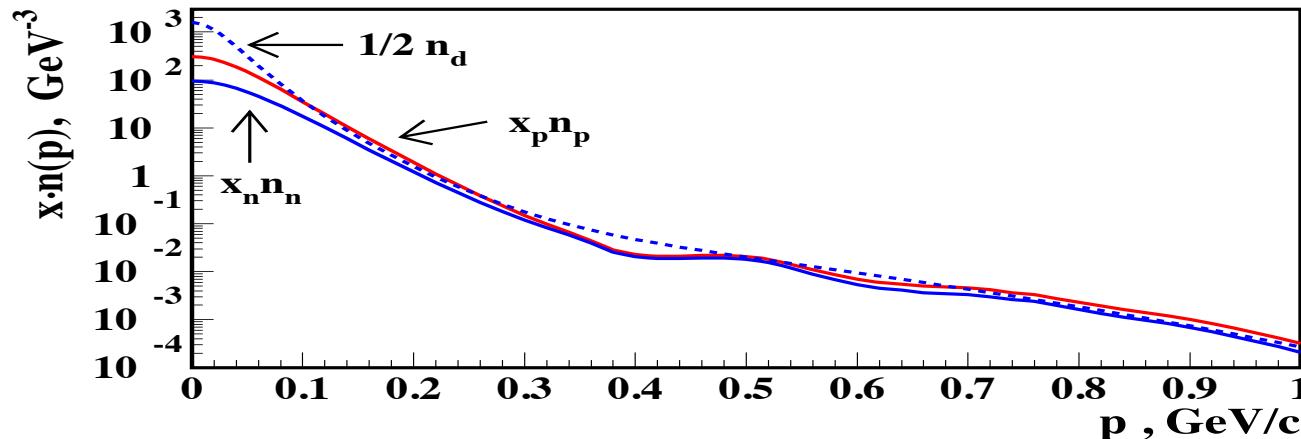
MS,arXiv:1210.3280
Phys. Rev. C 2014

- for $\sim k_F - 600$ MeV/c region:

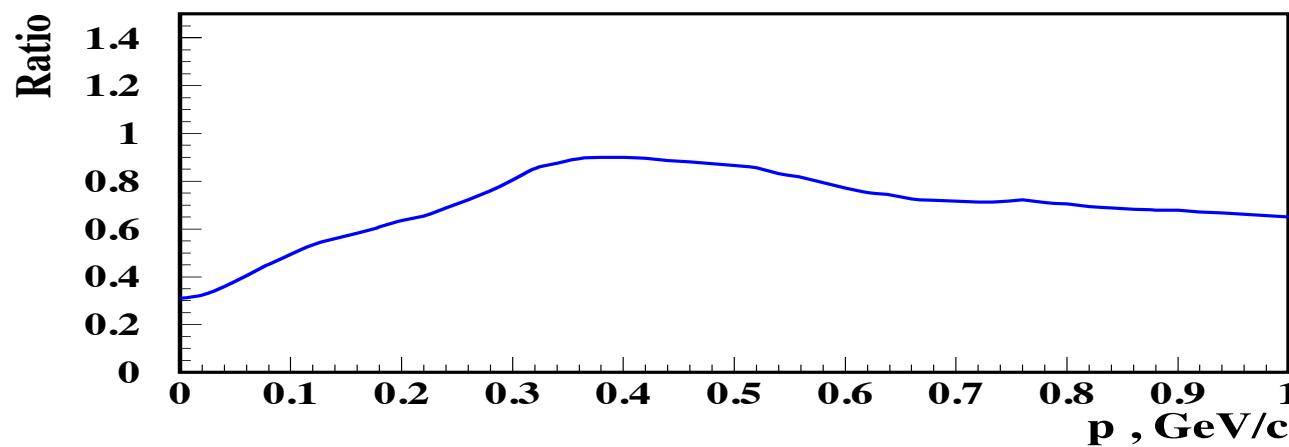
$$x_p \cdot n_p^A(p) \approx x_n \cdot n_n^A(p)$$

where $x_p = \frac{Z}{A}$ and $x_n = \frac{A-Z}{A}$.

Realistic ^3He Wave Function: Faddeev Equation

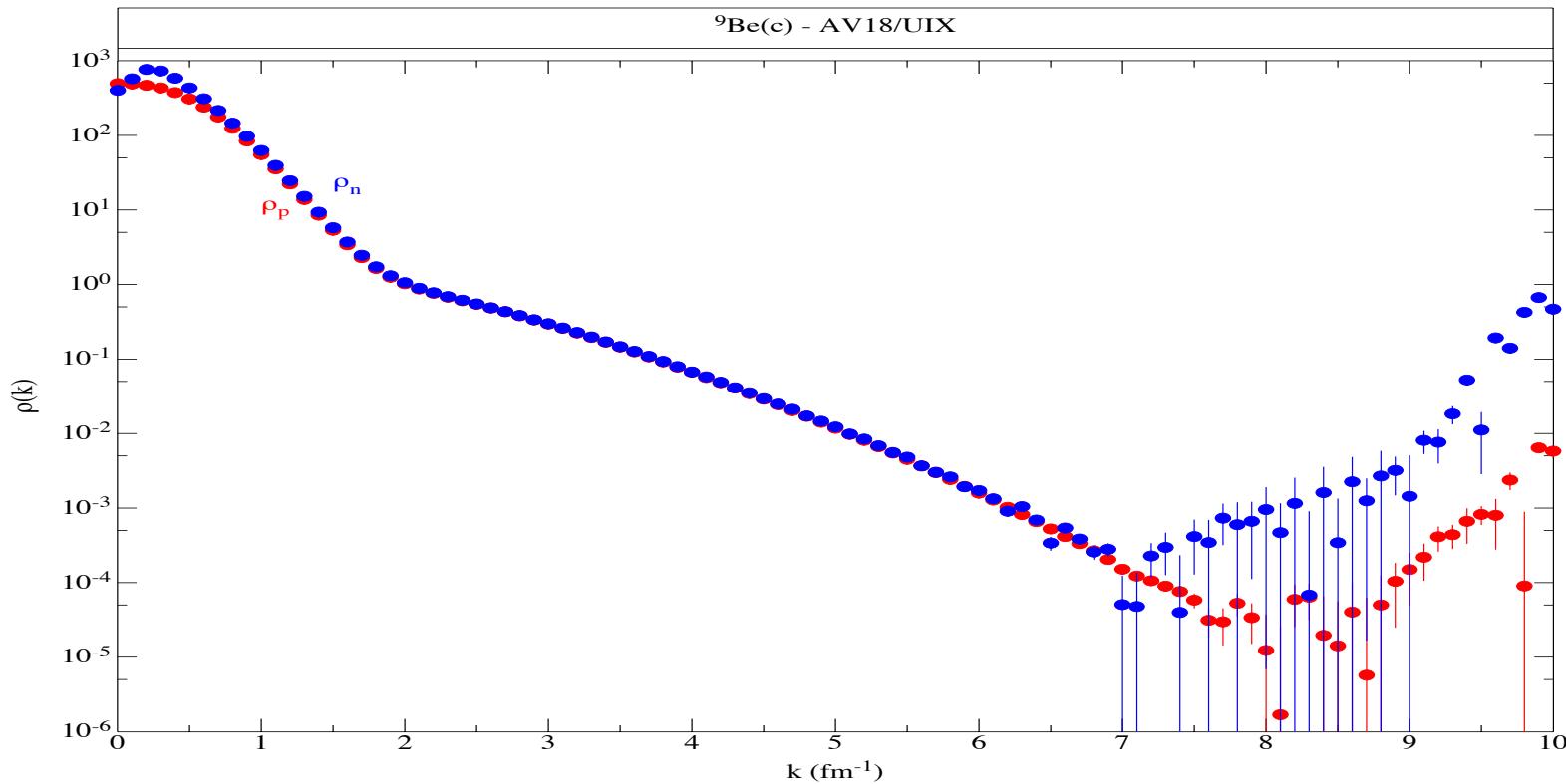


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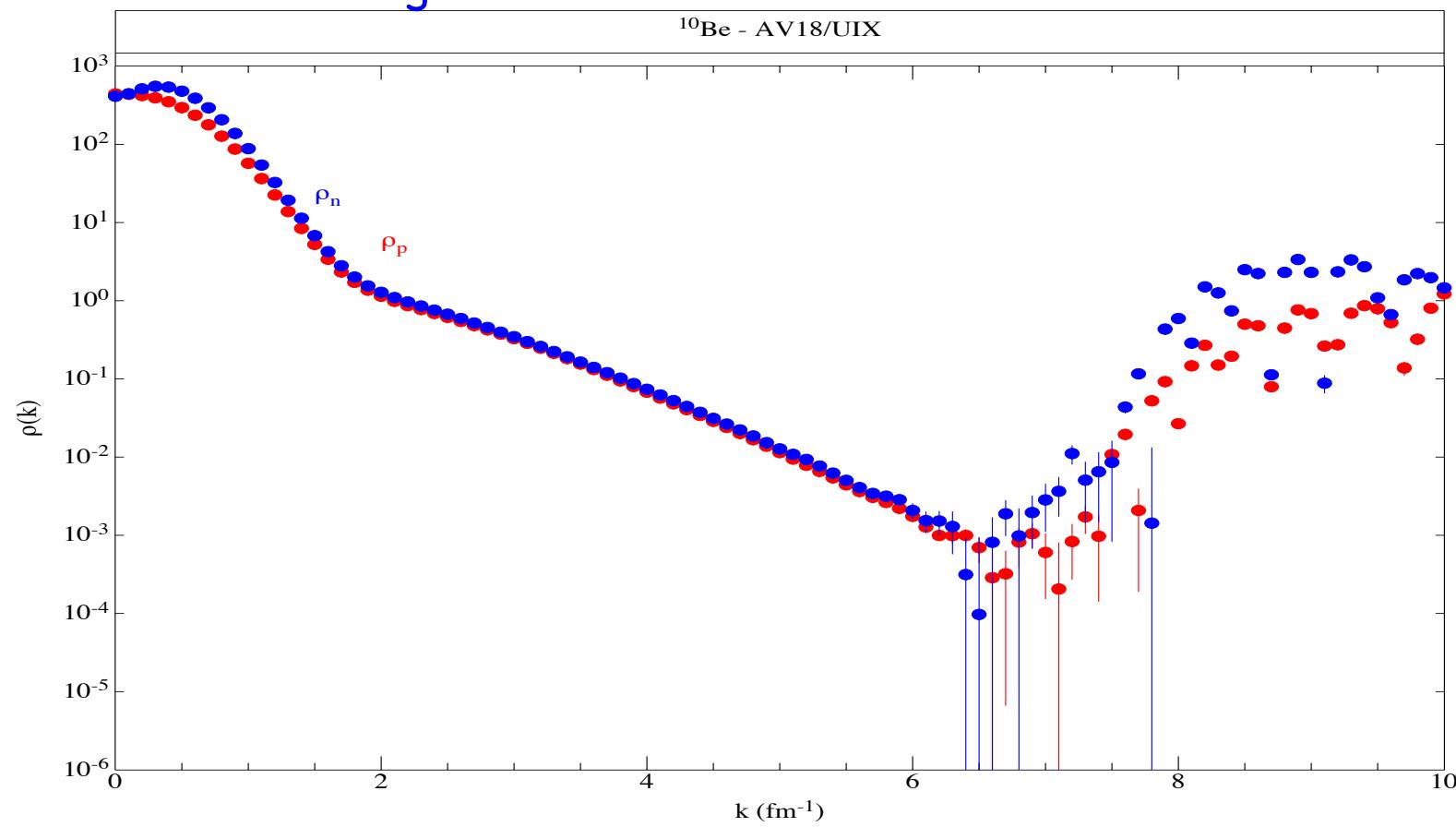
Be9 Variational Monte Carlo Calculation:

Robert Wiringa 2013 <http://www.phy.anl.gov/theory/research/momenta/>



B10 Variational Monte Carlo Calculation:

Robert Wiringa



Second Property:

MS,arXiv:1210.3280
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Using Definition: $n^A(p) = \frac{Z}{A} n_p^A(p) + \frac{A-Z}{A} n_n^A(p)$

Approximations: $n^A(p) \sim a_{NN}(A) \cdot n_{NN}(p)$

$$n_{NN}(p) \approx n_{pn}(p) \approx n_{(d)}(p)$$

And: $I_p = I_n \quad I_p + I_n = 2I_N = a_{pn}(A) \int_0^{600} n_d(p) d^3p$

One Obtains:

$$x_p \cdot n_p^A(p) \approx x_n \cdot n_n^A(p) \approx \frac{1}{2} a_{NN}(A, y) n_d(p)$$

where $y = |1 - 2x_p| = |x_n - x_p|$

- $a_{NN}(A, 0)$ corresponds to the probability of pn SRC in symmetric nuclei
- $a_{NN}(A, 1) = 0$ according to our approximation of neglecting pp/nn SRCs

Second Property: Fractional Dependence of High Momentum Component

$$a_{NN}(A, y) \approx a_{NN}(A, 0) \cdot f(y) \quad \text{with } f(0) = 1 \text{ and } f(1) = 0$$

$$f(|x_p - x_n|) = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^n b_i |x_p - x_x|^i \quad \text{with } \sum_{j=1}^n b_i = 0$$

In the limit $\sum_{j=1}^n b_i |x_p - x_x|^i \ll 1$ Momentum distributions of p & n are inverse proportional to their fractions

$$n_{p/n}^A(p) \approx \frac{1}{2x_{p/n}} a_2(A, y) \cdot n_d(p)$$

$$x_{p/n} = \frac{Z/N}{A}$$

Observations: High Momentum Fractions

MS,arXiv:1210.3280
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$$P_{p/n}(A, y) = \frac{1}{2x_{p/n}} a_2(A, y) \int_{k_F}^{\infty} n_d(p) d^3 p$$

A	Pp(%)	Pn(%)
12	20	20
27	23	22
56	27	23
197	31	20

Requires dominance of pn SRCs
in heavy neutron reach nuclei

O. Hen, M.S. L. Weinstein, et.al.
Science, 2014

Is the total kinetic energy inversion possible?

Checking for He3

Energetic Neutron

$$E_{kin}^p = 14 \text{ MeV} \quad (p = 157 \text{ MeV}/c)$$

$$E_{kin}^n = 19 \text{ MeV} \quad (p = 182 \text{ MeV}/c)$$

Energetic Neutron
(Neff & Horiuchi)

$$E_{kin}^p = 13.97 \text{ MeV}$$

$$E_{kin}^n = 18.74 \text{ MeV}$$

VMC Estimates: Robert Wiringa

MS,arXiv:1210.3280
Phys. Rev. C 2014

Table 1: Kinetic energies (in MeV) of proton and neutron

A	y	E_{kin}^p	E_{kin}^n	$E_{kin}^p - E_{kin}^n$
^8He	0.50	30.13	18.60	11.53
^6He	0.33	27.66	19.06	8.60
^9Li	0.33	31.39	24.91	6.48
^3He	0.33	14.71	19.35	-4.64
^3H	0.33	19.61	14.96	4.65
^8Li	0.25	28.95	23.98	4.97
^{10}Be	0.2	30.20	25.95	4.25
^7Li	0.14	26.88	24.54	2.34
^9Be	0.11	29.82	27.09	2.73
^{11}B	0.09	33.40	31.75	1.65

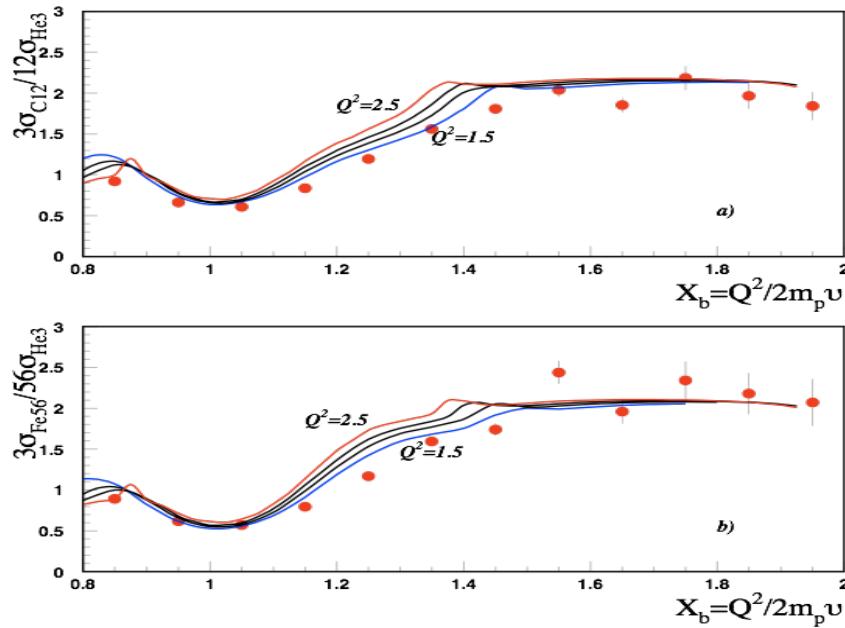
Heavy Nuclei ?

- Three Nucleon Short Range Correlations:

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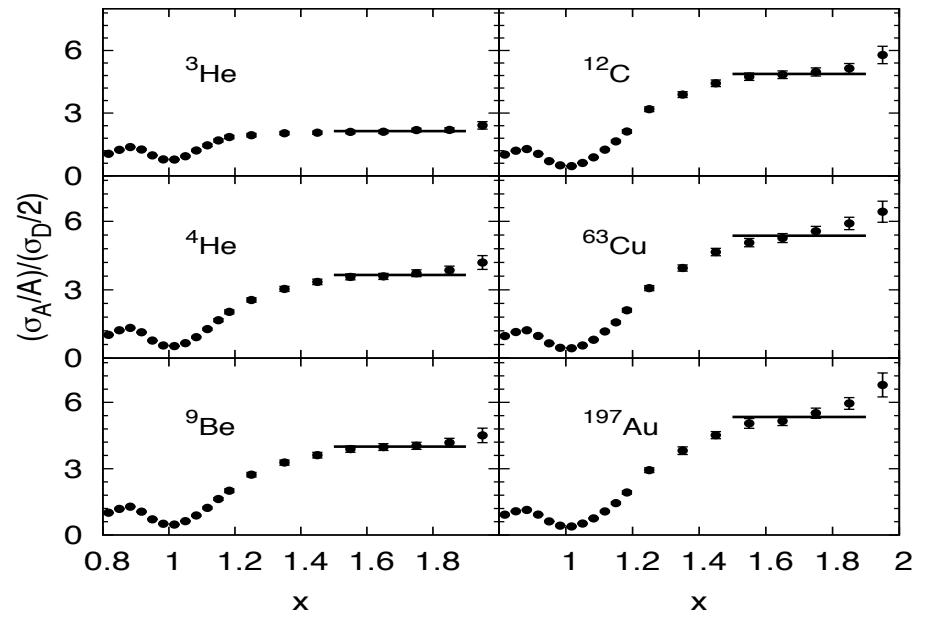
Factorization of 2N SRC distribution in nuclei

$A(e,e')$



Egiyan, et al PRC 2004

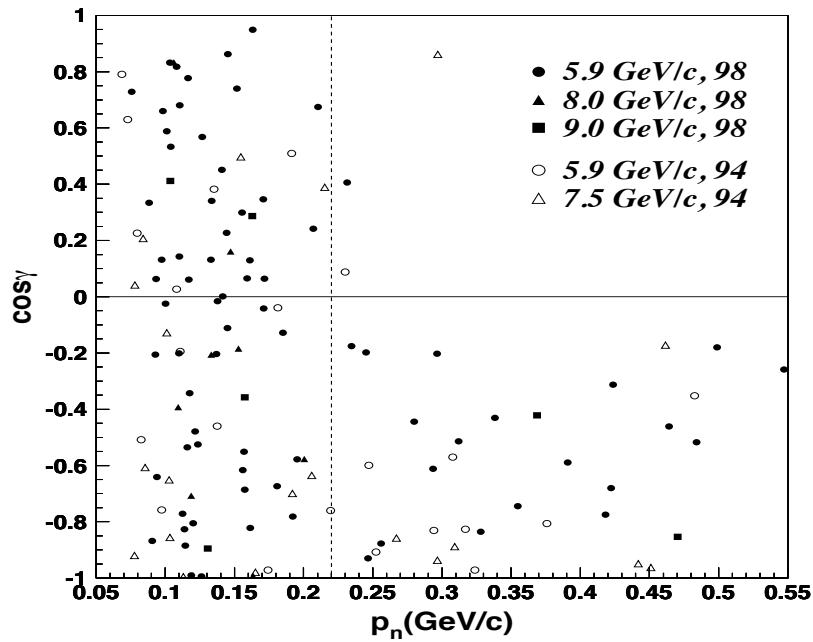
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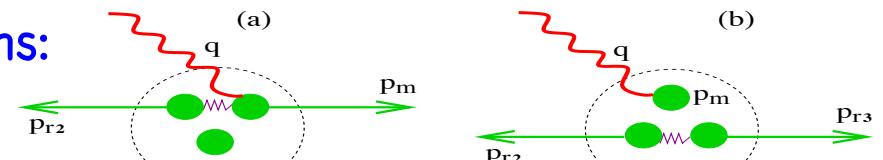
Fomin et al PRL 2011

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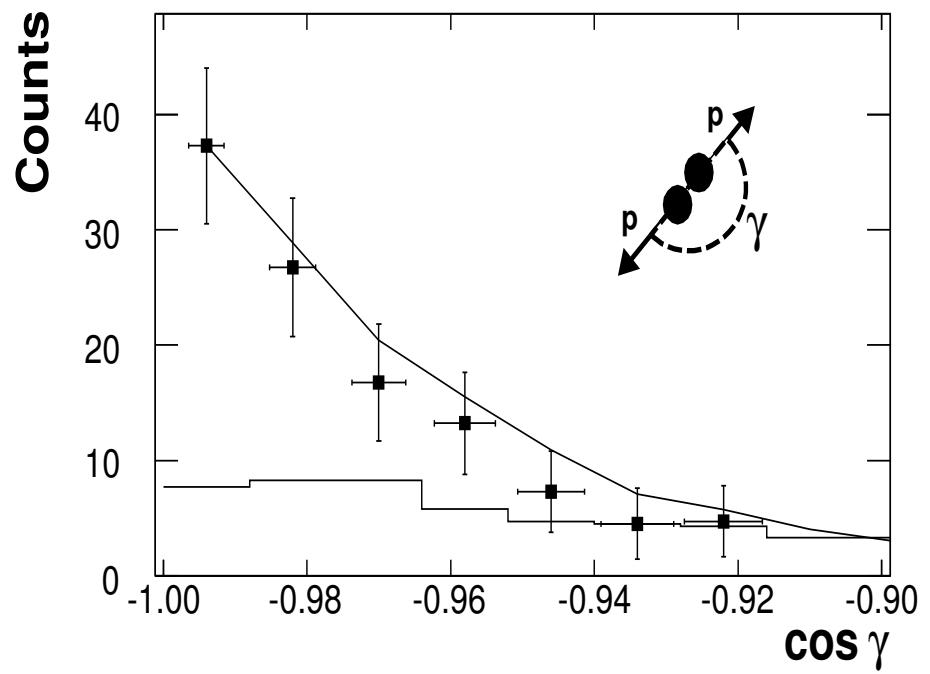
$$p + A \rightarrow p + p + n + X$$



Tang et al PRL 2002



$$e + A \rightarrow e' + p_f + p_b + X$$



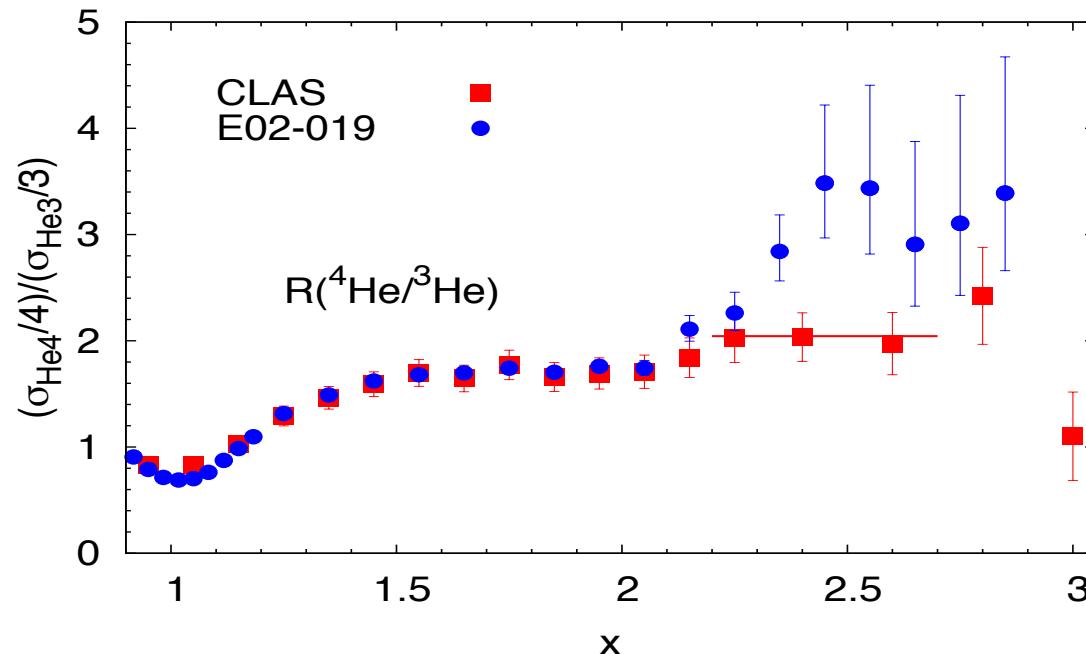
Subedi et al Science 2006

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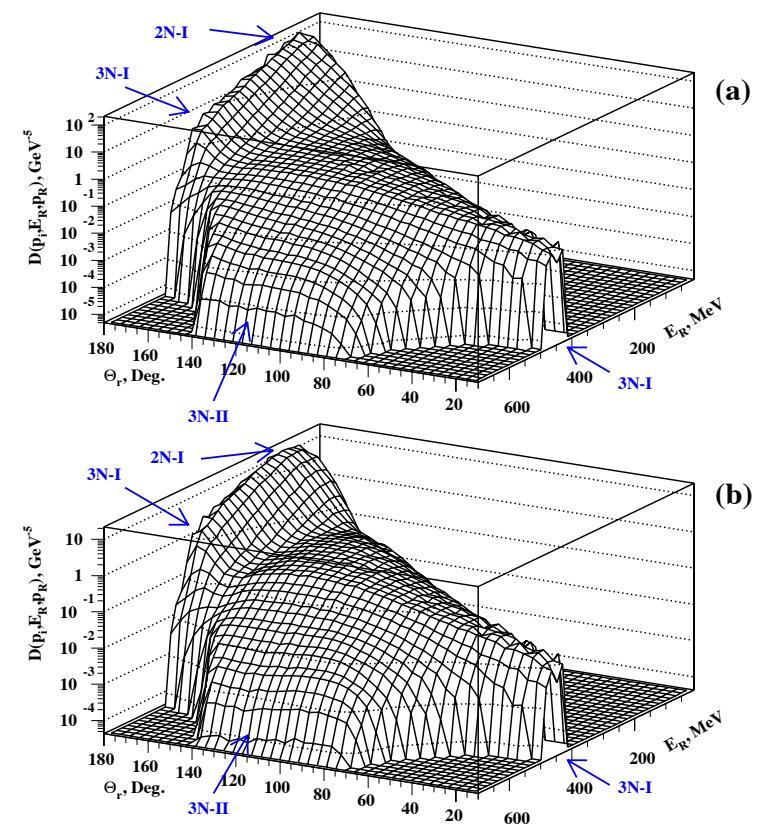
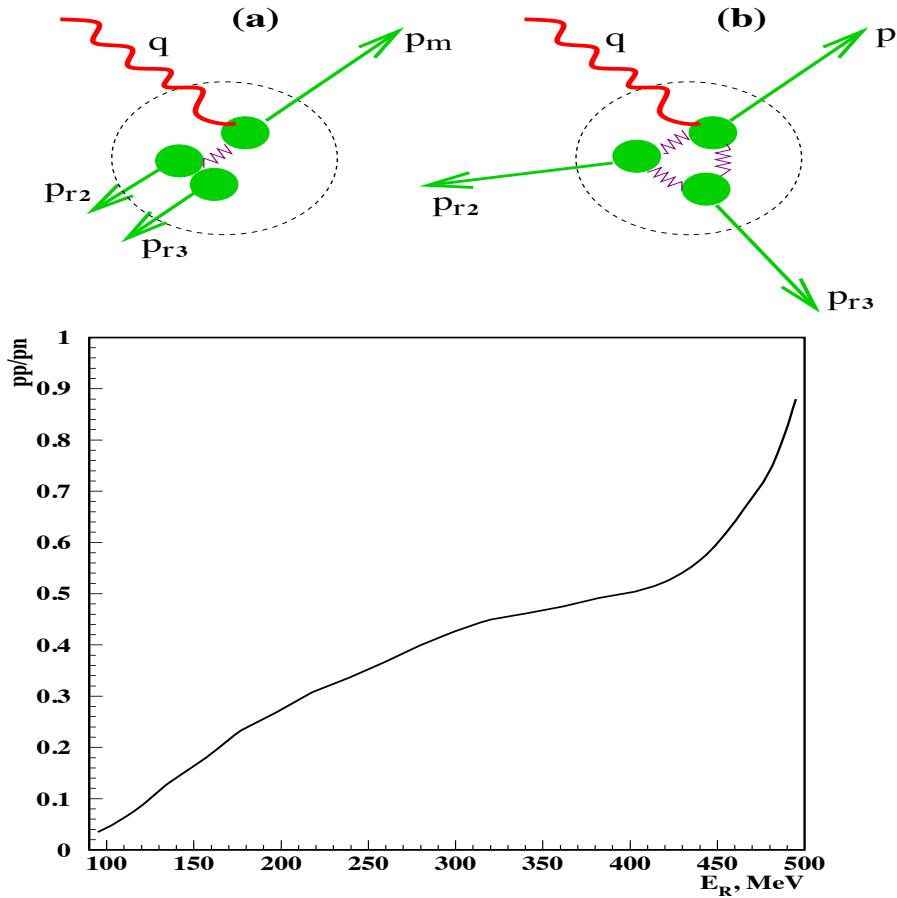
For $2 < x < 3$ $R \approx \frac{a_3(A_1)}{a_3(A_2)}$



Egiyan, et al PRL 2006

Fomin et al PRL 2011

- Three Nucleon Short Range Correlations: New Signatures of 3N SRCs



- Non-Nucleonic Content of 2N SRCs
- No non-nuclonic component is observed for pn system up to 650 MeV/c
- The relative momenta in the NN system which will be sensitive to the core dynamics can be estimated based on the threshold of inelastic N-Delta transition

$$\sqrt{M_N^2 + p^2} - M_N > M_\Delta - M_N$$

$$p \geq 800 \text{ MeV/c}$$

- Outstanding Problems in SRC studies

1. Deuteron 500 - 800 MeV/c
2. Protons in neutron rich nuclei
3. Deuteron > 800 MeV/c (core physics)
4. Observation and systematic studies of 3N SRCs

2. Choosing the probe

$$\gamma + A \rightarrow N_f + \pi + N_r + X$$

$$\gamma + N_i \rightarrow N_f + \pi \quad \text{at fixed and large } \theta_{cm} \sim 90^\circ$$

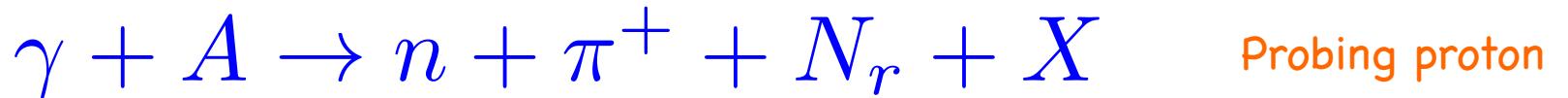
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \sim \frac{f(\theta_{cm})}{s^7} \text{ for } E_\gamma > 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$s_i = s_0 \cdot \alpha_i \quad \text{Reaction chooses } \alpha_i < 1!$$

Frankfurt, Liu, Strikman, Farrar PRL 1989

$$\alpha_i = \frac{E_i - p_i^z}{M_N}$$

- External probe selects a bound nucleon moving in the probes direction



Probing proton



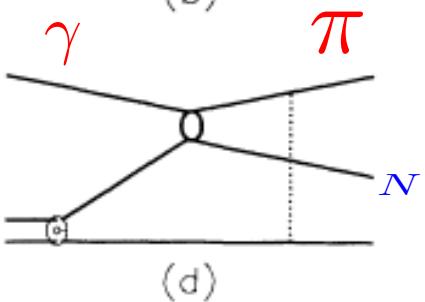
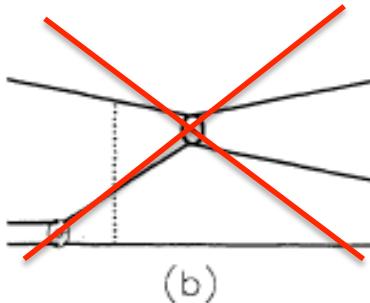
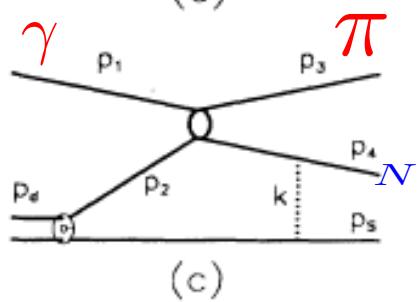
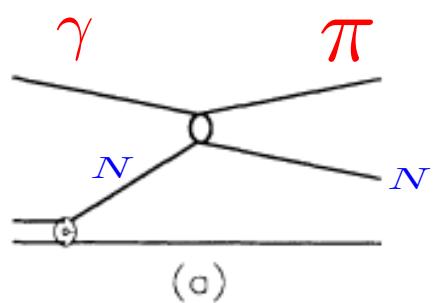
Probing neutron



Probing proton

Maria Patsyuk's talk

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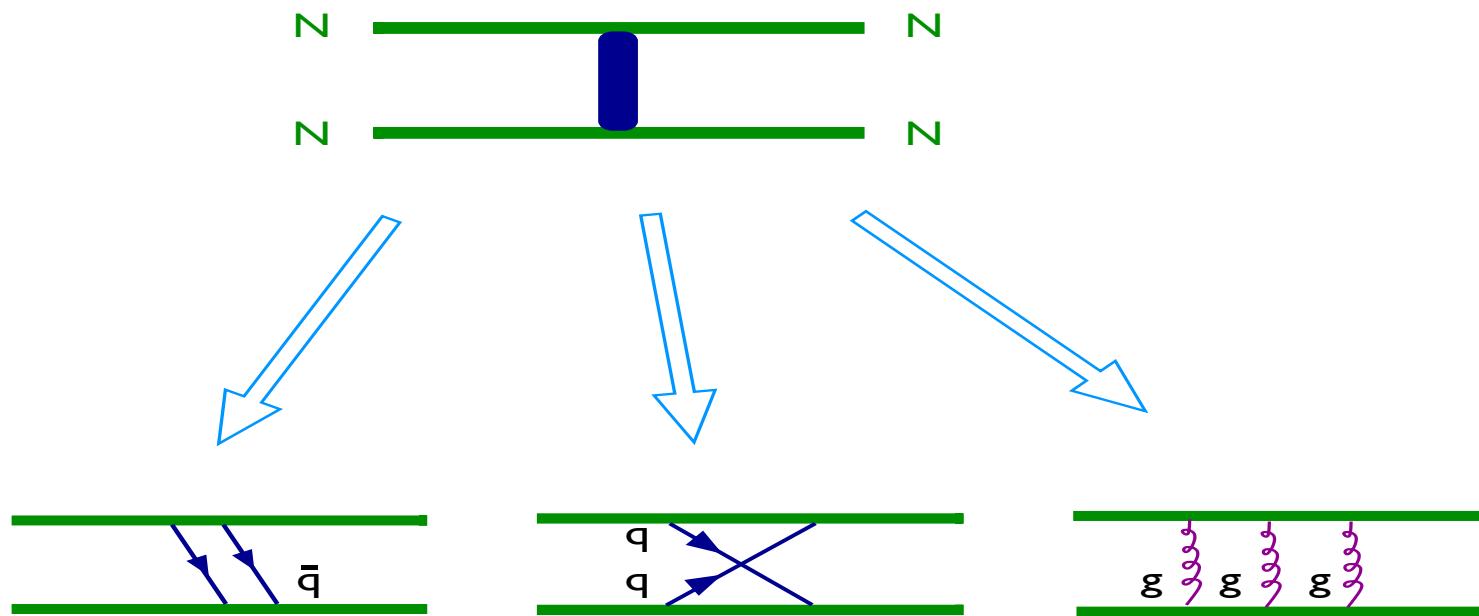


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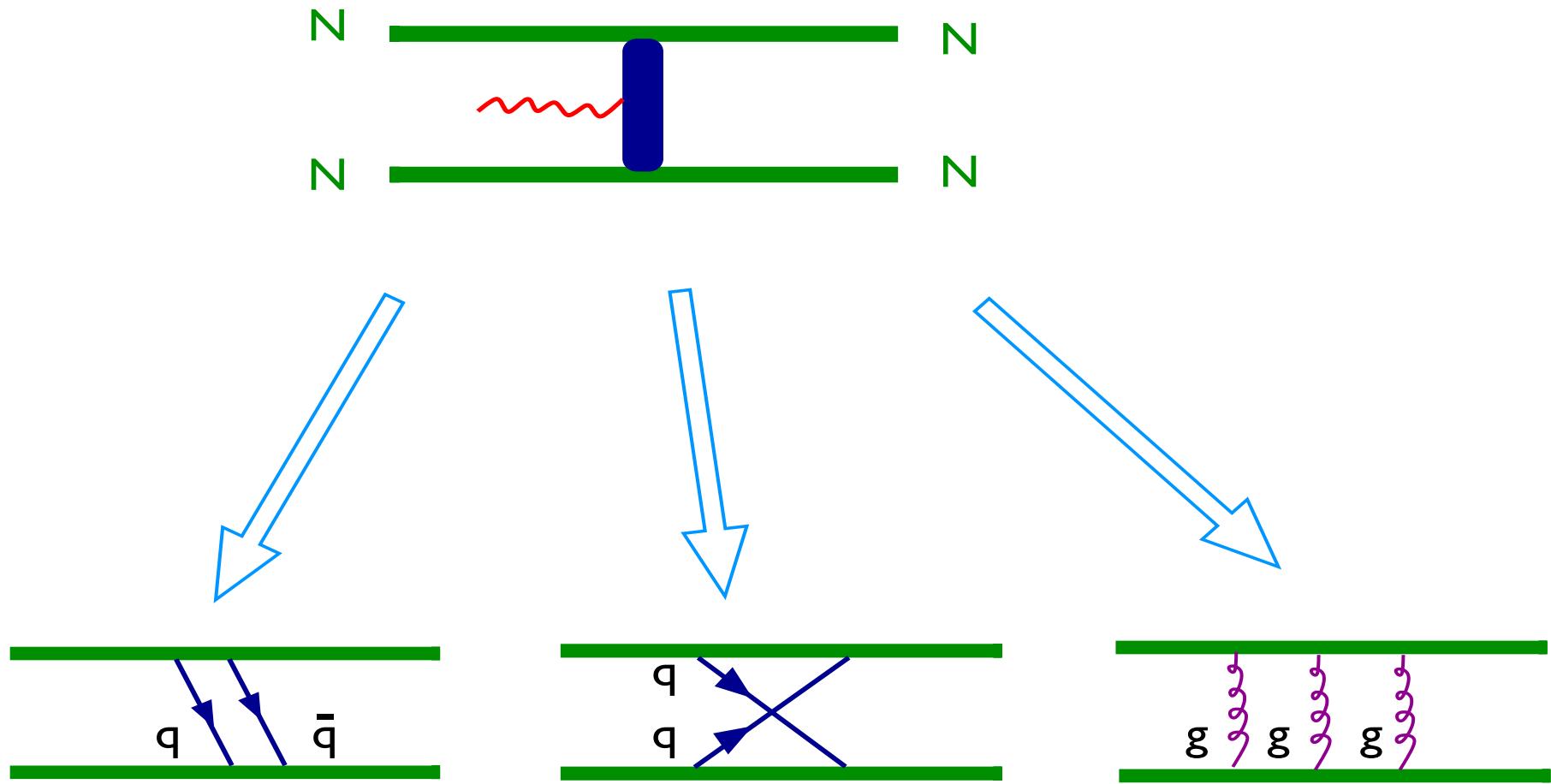
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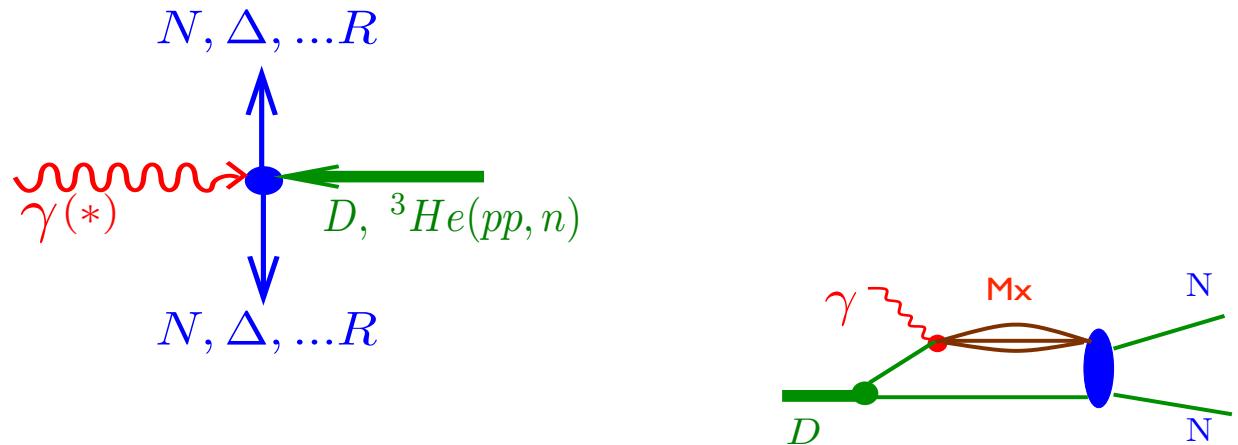
1. Probing the mechanism of hard QCD hadronic interaction



-Can be Studied in Hard Exclusive NN Scattering Reactions

-Last Experiments were done at early 90's at AGS, BNL





$$s = (k_\gamma + p_d)^2 = 2M_d E_\gamma + M_d^2$$

Brodsky, Chertock, 1976

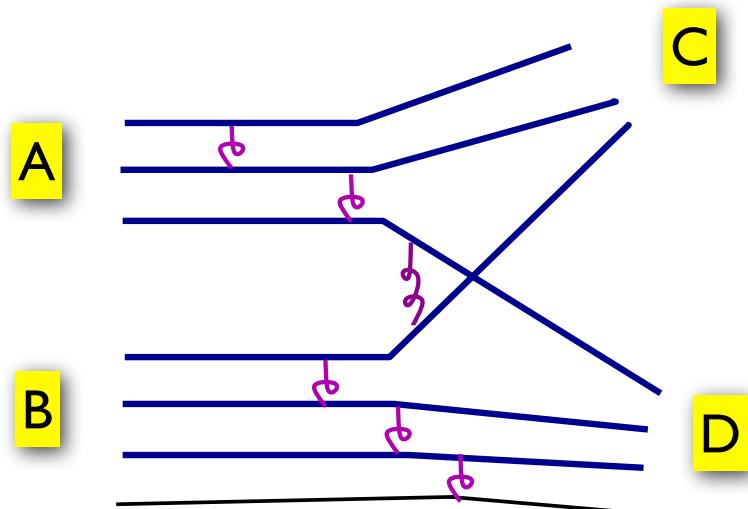
Holt, 1990

Gilman, Gross, 2002

$$t = (k_\gamma - p_N)^2 = [\cos\theta_{cm} - 1] \frac{s - M_d^2}{2}$$

$$E_\gamma = 2 \text{ GeV}, s = 12 \text{ GeV}^2, t|_{90^\circ} \approx -4 \text{ GeV}^2, M_x = 2 \text{ GeV}$$

$$E_\gamma = 12 \text{ GeV}, s = 41 \text{ GeV}^2, t|_{90^\circ} \approx -18.7 \text{ GeV}^2, M_x = 4.4 \text{ GeV}$$



additional $\frac{1}{s}$

$$A \sim F\left(\frac{t}{s}\right) \frac{1}{s^{\frac{n_A+n_B+n_C+n_D}{2}-2}}$$

Two Feynman diagrams for the t-channel exchange of a scalar particle. The top diagram shows a horizontal line with a vertical loop attached, leading to a right-pointing arrow and the expression $f\left(\frac{t}{s}\right)$. The bottom diagram shows a horizontal line with a vertical loop attached, leading to a right-pointing arrow and the expression $\frac{1}{s}$.

Brodsky, Farrar 1975
Matveev, Muradyan, Takhvelidze, 1975

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \approx \frac{|A|^2}{s^2} = F^2\left(\frac{t}{s}\right) \frac{1}{s^{n_A+n_B+n_C+n_D-2}}$$



Exclusive large-momentum-transfer scattering

• Dimensional counting rule:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt}_{AB \rightarrow CD} \propto S^{-(N=n_A+n_B+n_C+n_D-2)} f(\frac{t}{s})$$

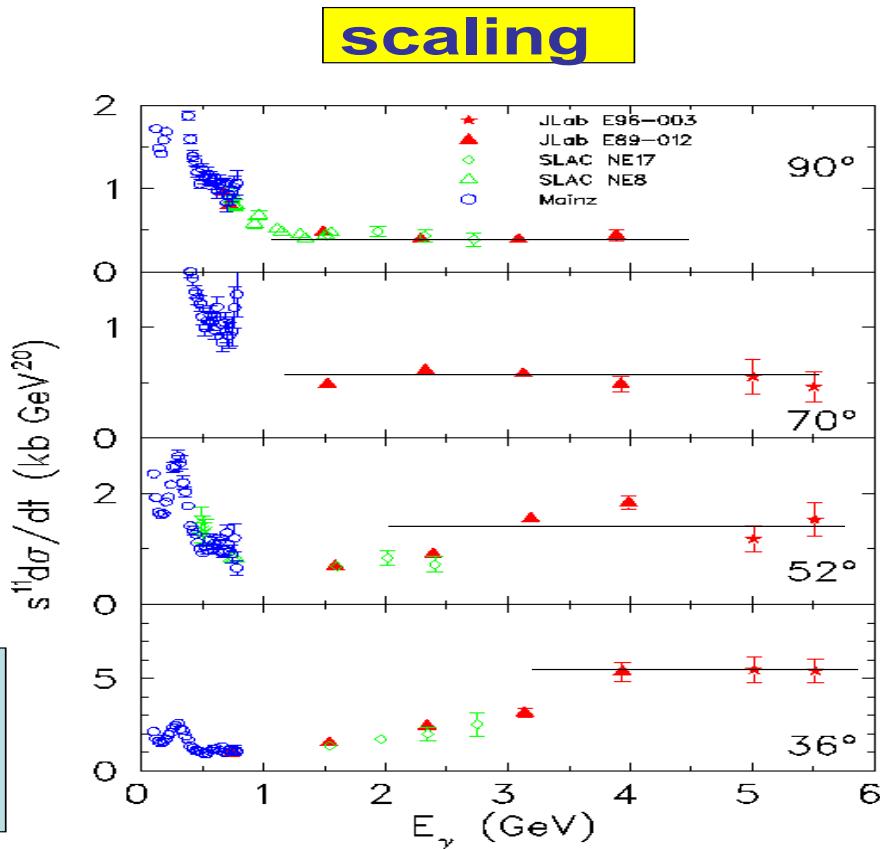
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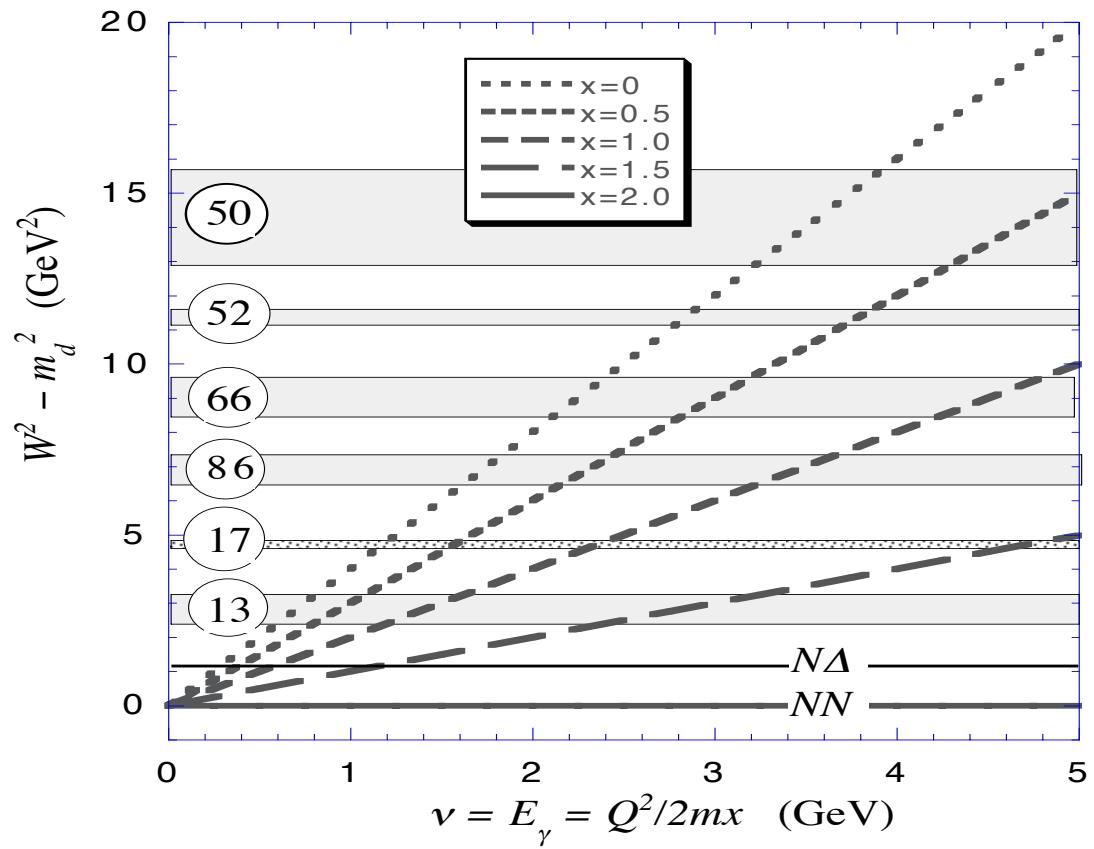
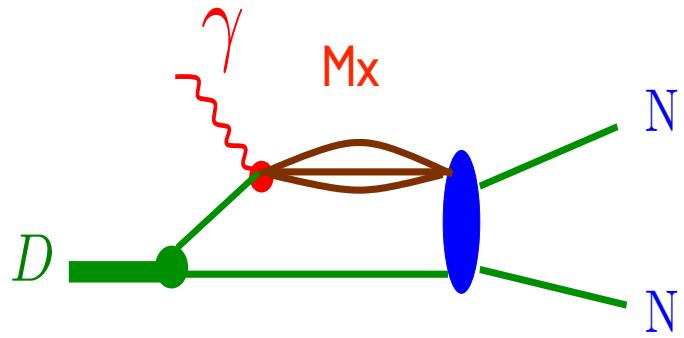
$\gamma d \rightarrow p$ (high p_t) + n (high p_t)

$$N = 1 + 6 + 3 + 3 - 2 = 11$$

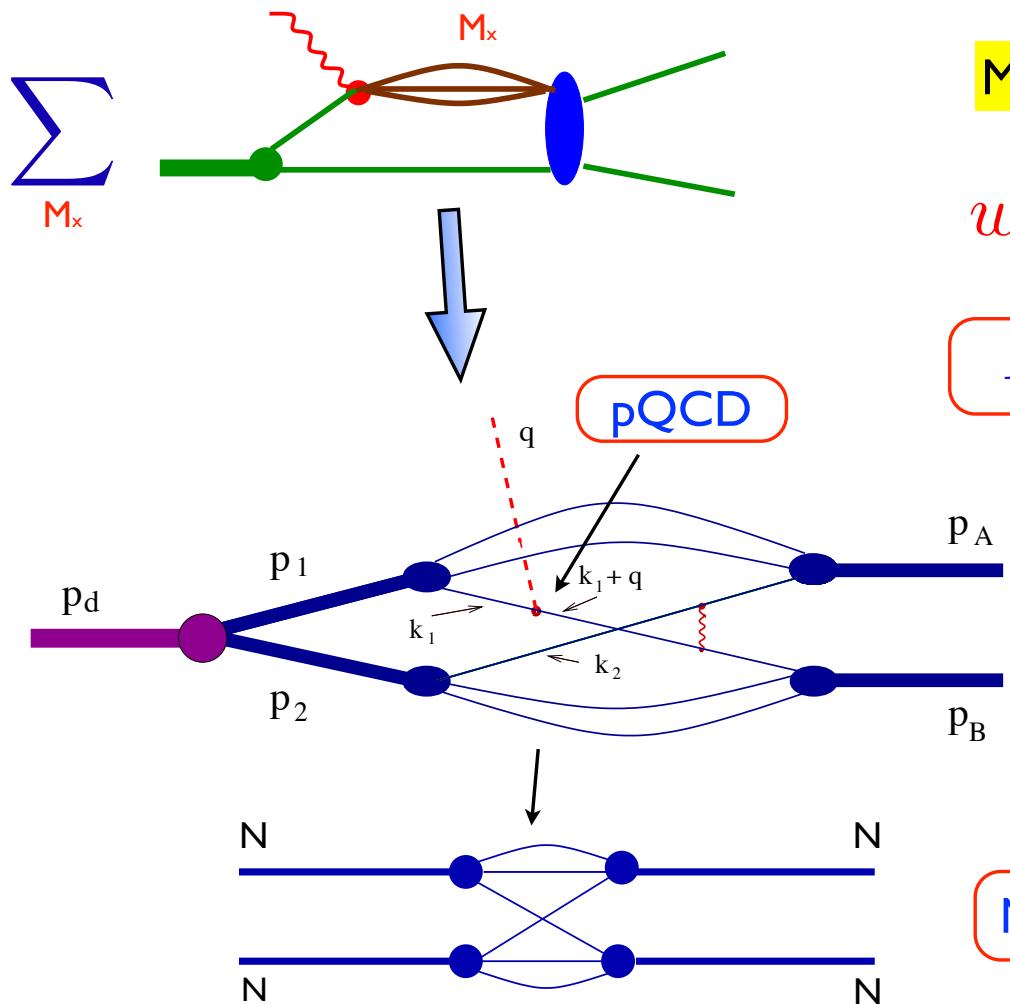
Notice:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(E_\gamma = 1 \text{ GeV}/c) / \frac{d\sigma}{dt}(E_\gamma = 4 \text{ GeV}/c) \approx 10^4$$





Gilman & Gross 2002



$$M_{\max} = w > 2 \text{ GeV}$$

$$w \sim \sqrt{2E_\gamma m_N}$$

$$E_\gamma \geq 2.5 \text{ GeV}$$

Frankfurt, Miller, MS, Striman
Phys. Rev. Lett. 2000

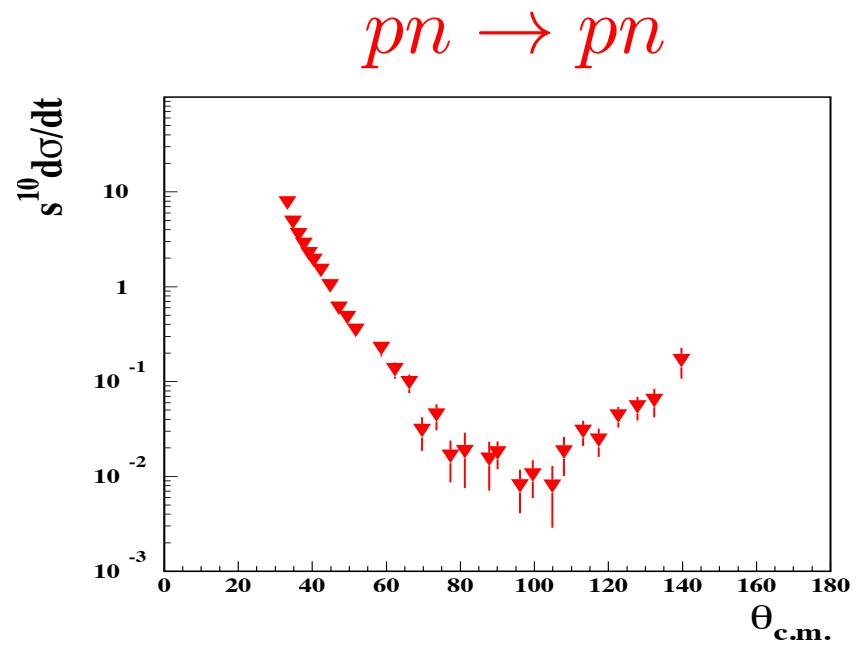
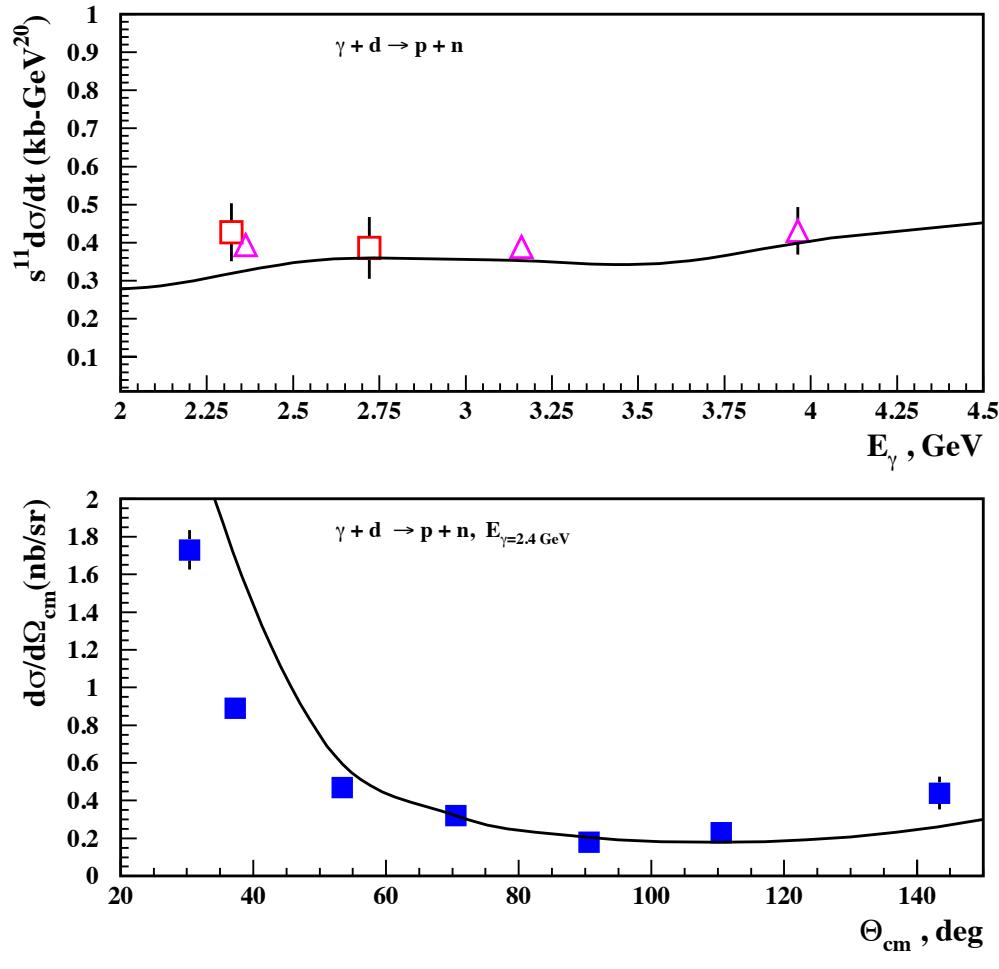
NN -amplitude

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p_{\lambda_A}, n_{\lambda_B} \mid A \mid \lambda_\gamma, \lambda_D \rangle &= \sum_{\lambda_2} \frac{f(\theta_{cm})}{3\sqrt{2s'}} \times \\ &\left(\langle p_{\lambda_A}, n_{\lambda_B} | A_{pn}(s, t_n) | p_{\lambda_\gamma}, n_{\lambda_2} \rangle - \langle p_{\lambda_A}, n_{\lambda_B} | A_{pn}(s, u_n) | n_{\lambda_\gamma} p_{\lambda_2} \rangle \right) \\ &\int \Psi^{\lambda_D, \lambda_\gamma, \lambda_2}(\alpha_c, p_\perp) \frac{d^2 p_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

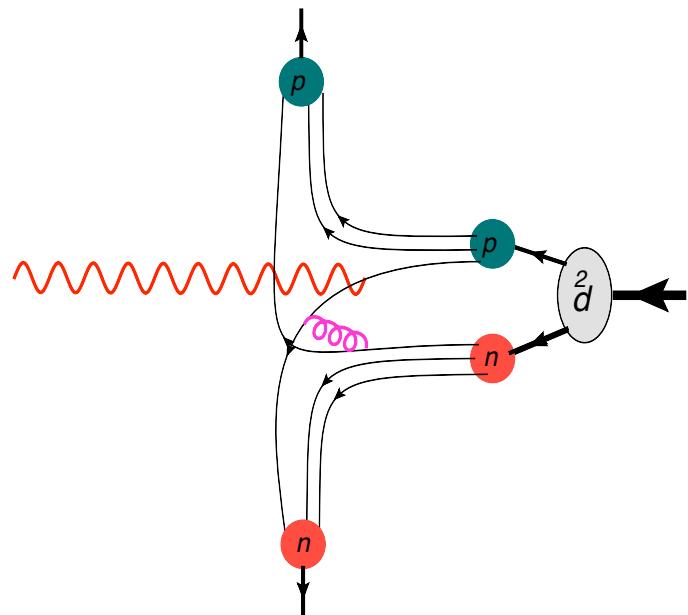
$$\Psi^{\lambda_D,\lambda_1\lambda_2}=(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}\Psi^{J_D,\lambda_1,\lambda_2}_{NR}\sqrt{m}=[u(k)+w(k)\sqrt{\tfrac{1}{8}}S_{12}]\xi^{\lambda_D,\lambda_1,\lambda_2}_1$$

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\gamma d \rightarrow pn}}{dt} = \frac{8\alpha}{9}\pi^4 \cdot \frac{1}{s'} C\Big(\frac{\tilde{t}}{s}\Big) \frac{d\sigma^{pn \rightarrow pn}(s,\tilde{t})}{dt} \left|\int \Psi_d^{NR}(p_z=0,p_\perp) \sqrt{m_N} \frac{d^2 p_\perp}{(2\pi)^2}\right|^2,$$

$$C(\tfrac{\tilde{t}}{s})\mid_{\theta_{cm}=90}=1$$

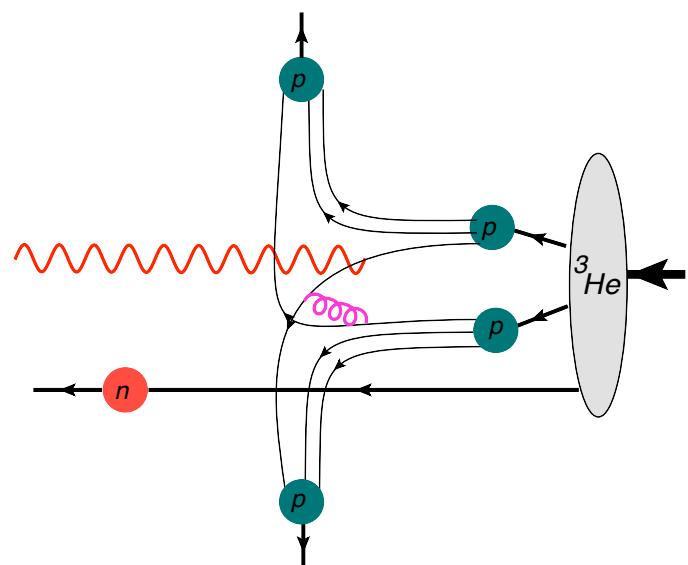


Break up of pn from the deuteron



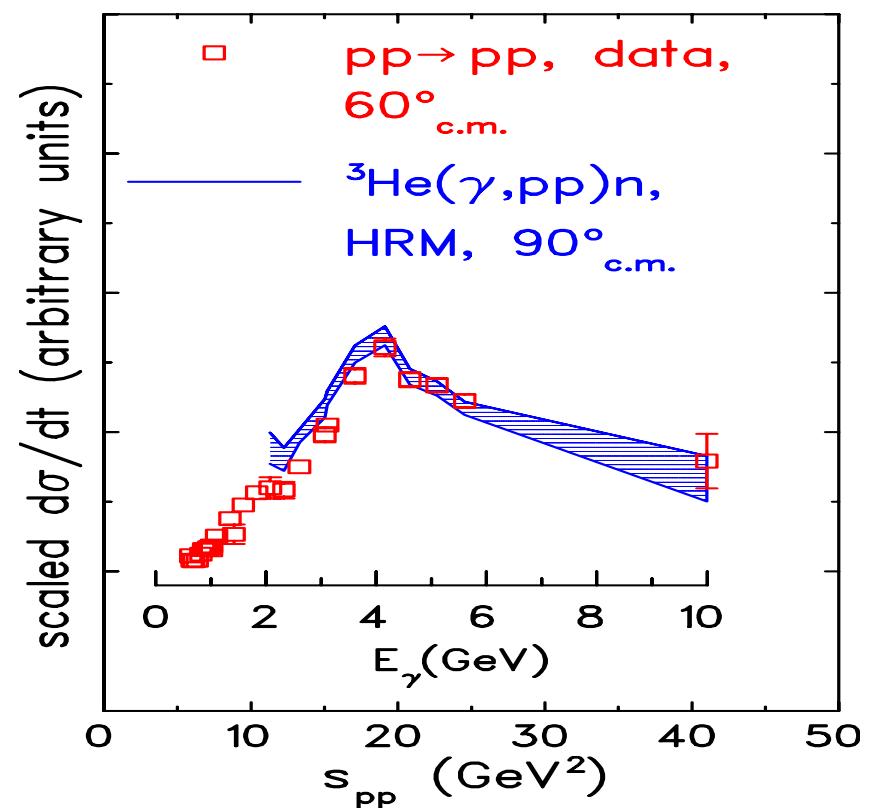
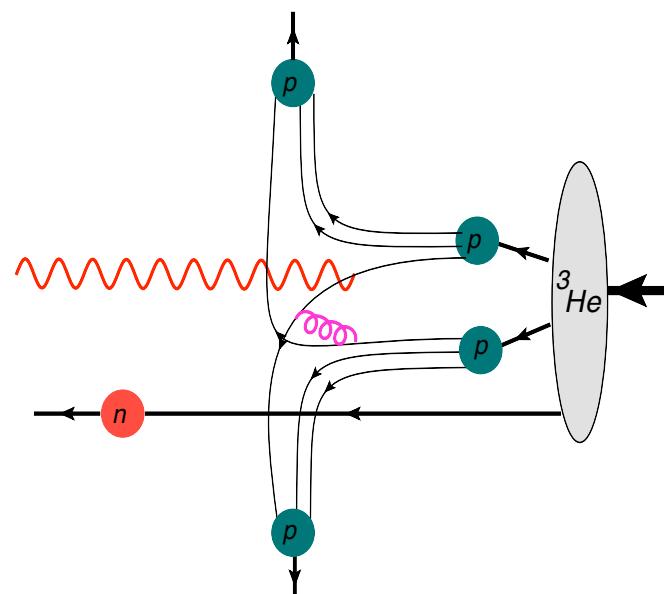
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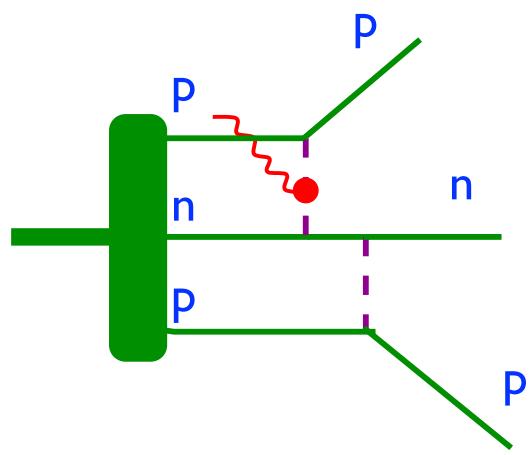
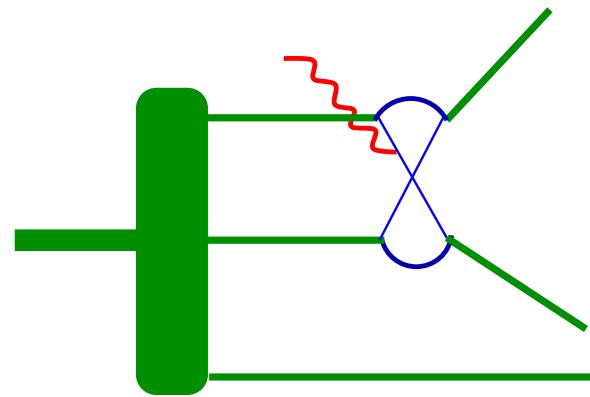
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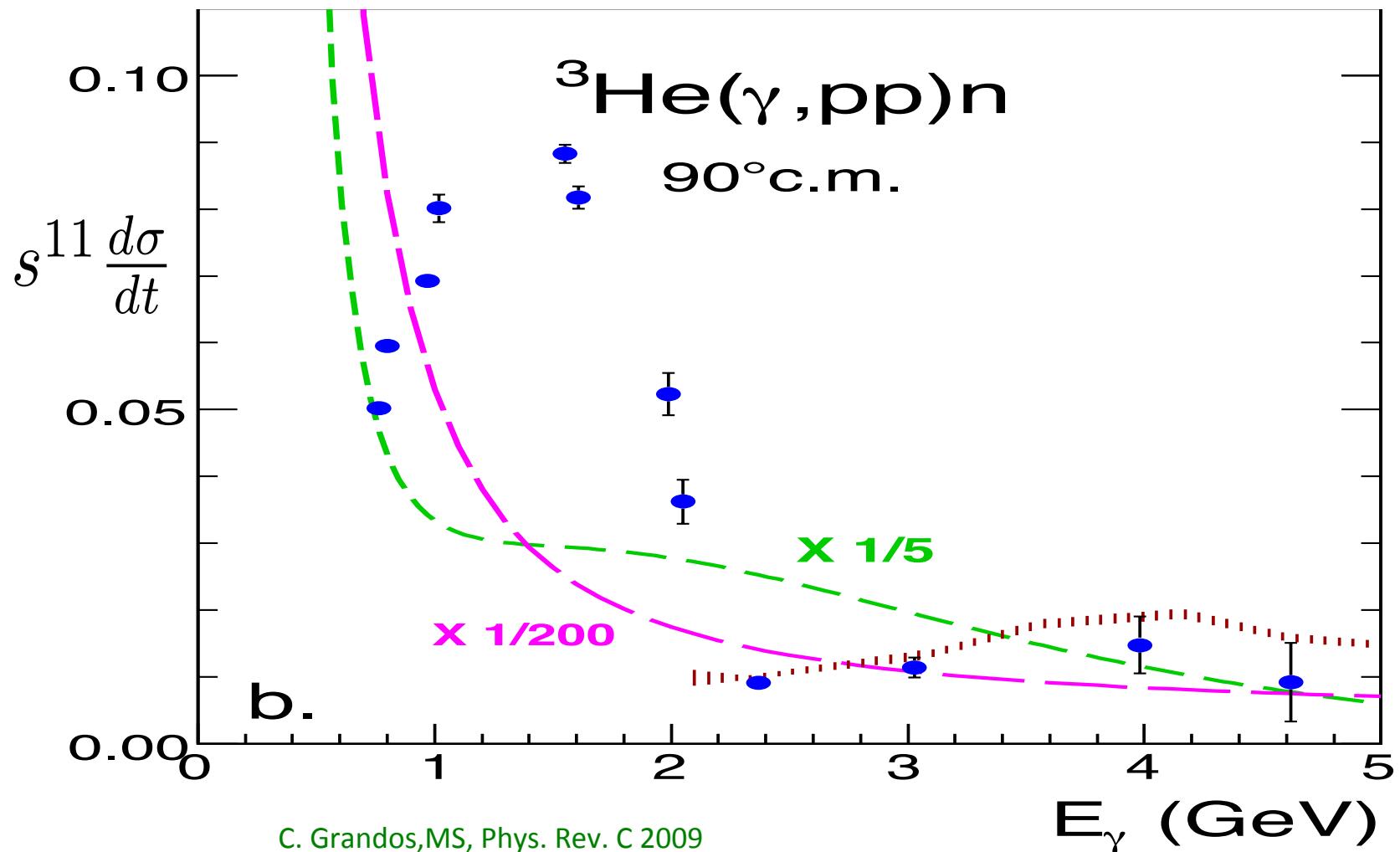


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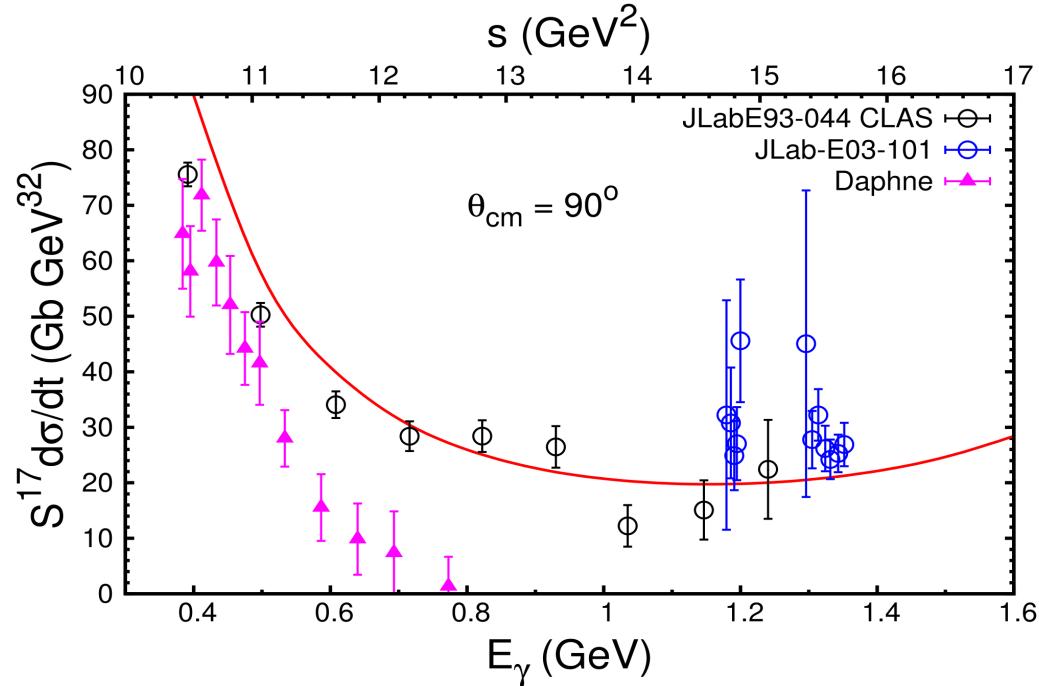

$$\sim s^{-13}$$

$$\sim s^{-11}$$



Photodisintegration of ^3He : $\gamma + ^3\text{He} \rightarrow p + d$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(s, t) = \frac{2\pi^4 \alpha}{3s'_{^3\text{He}}} \left(\frac{s'_N}{s'_{^3\text{He}}} \right) \frac{d\sigma_{pd}}{dt}(s, t_{pd}) \cdot m_N S_{^3\text{He}/d}^{NR}(p_{1z} = 0)$$

D. Maheswari, MS, 2017
Phys. Rev. C in press



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Phys. Rev. Lett. 2013

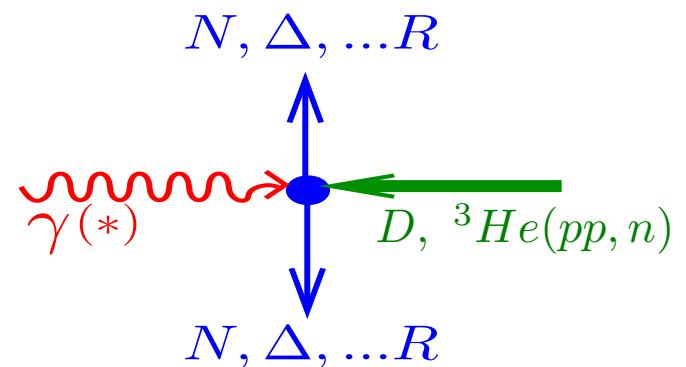
What's Next:

1. Studying Hard Hadronic Processes

Break - up reactions to the deuteron break-up
of other 2Baryons

$$\gamma + d \rightarrow \Delta + \Delta$$

M. S., and C.Granados
Phys. Rev. C 2011



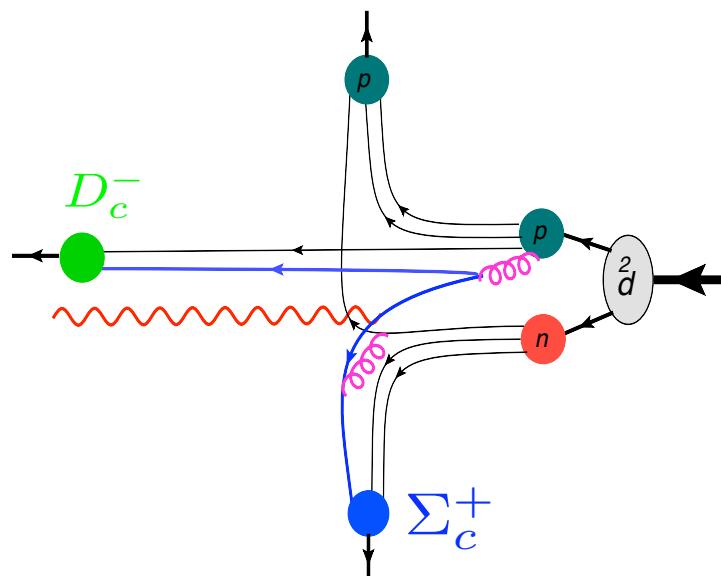
Extraction of hard Baryonic Helicity Amplitudes from
Polarized measurement

2. Probing ($s\bar{s}$) or ($c\bar{c}$) component of the nucleon

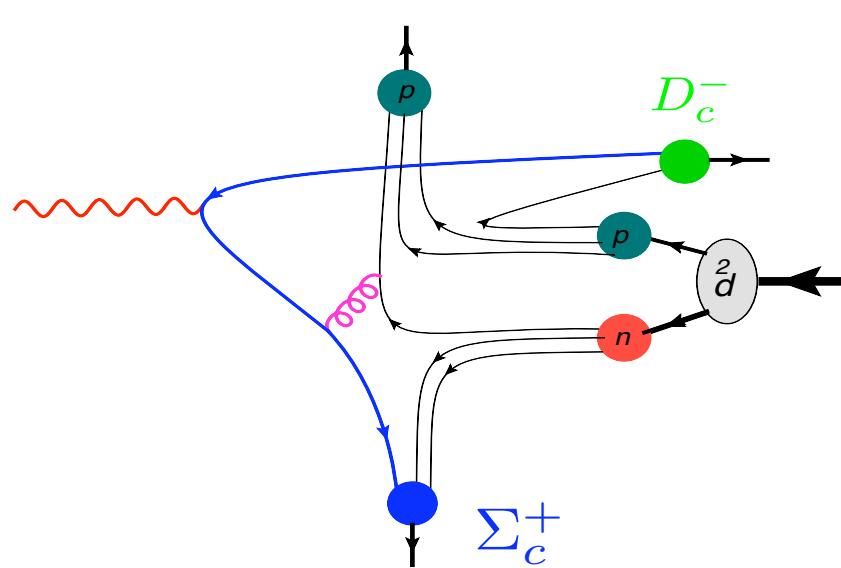
Studying $c\bar{c}$ component in the deuteron



Intrinsic



Produced



Outlook

- (JLAB 4-6 GeV) : Experimentally established adequacy of QCD degrees of freedom in hard break-up of light nuclei
- (JLAB 4-6 GeV) : Hard Rescattering Mechanism consistent with major observations of the break-up reaction
- (JLAB 12 GeV) : Studying Hard Rescattering Mechanism of break up of light nuclei into baryonic resonances (including strangeness production)

III. Extracting J/Psi-N interaction near the threshold

- Vector meson photoproduction can be used to extract VN scattering cross section
- Experience from coherent vector meson photoproduction $\gamma + d \rightarrow V + d'$

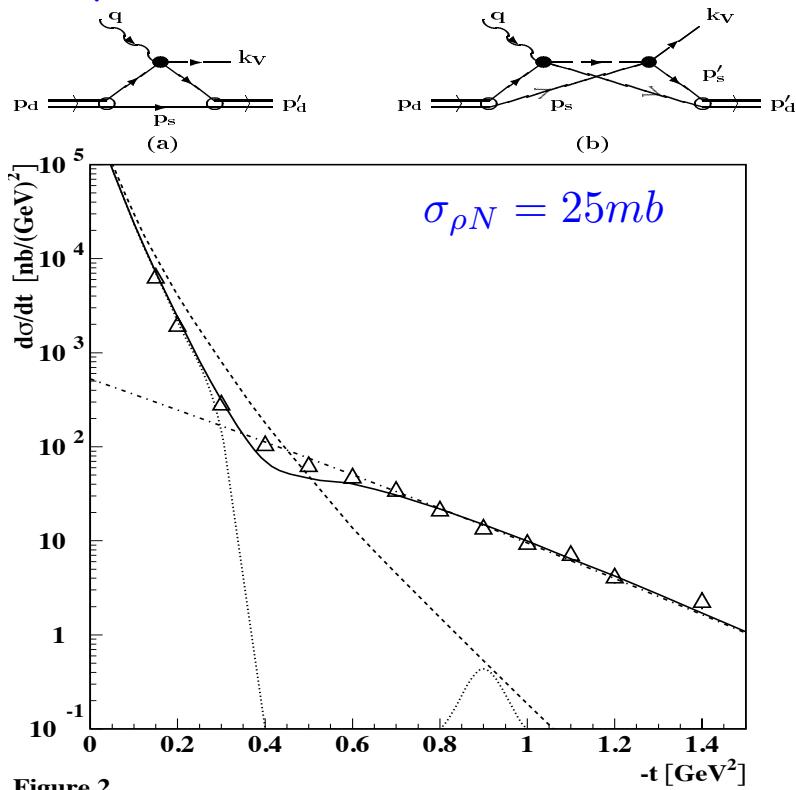
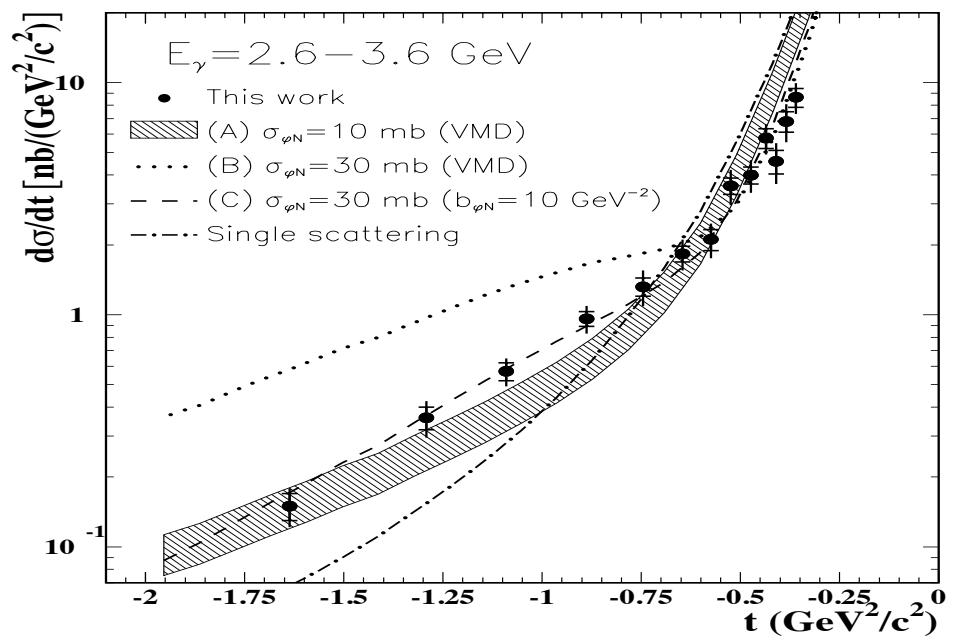


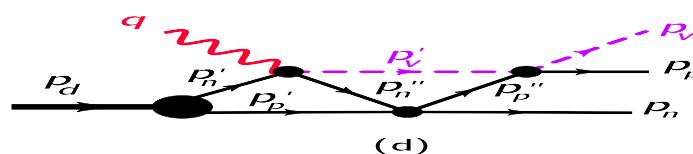
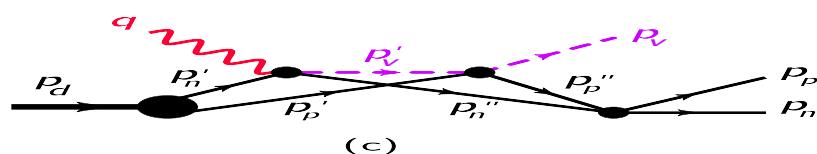
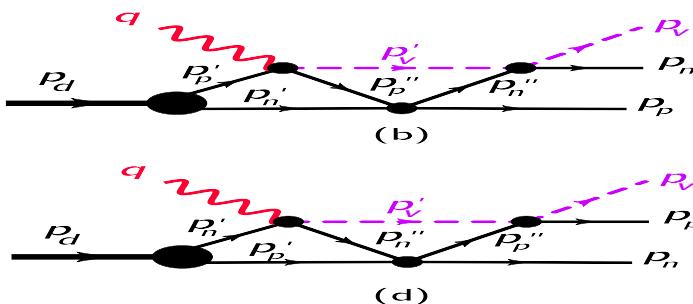
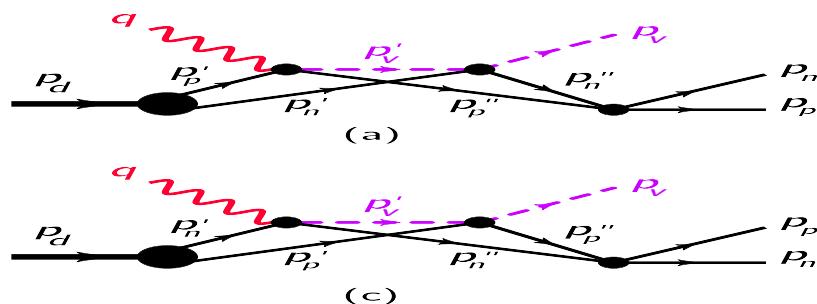
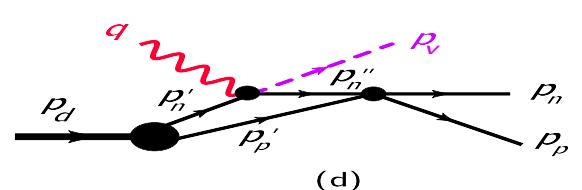
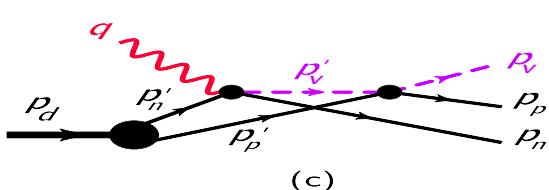
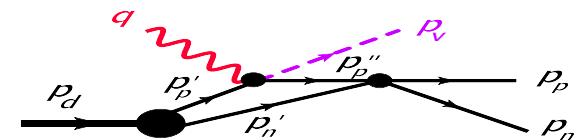
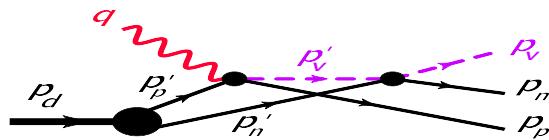
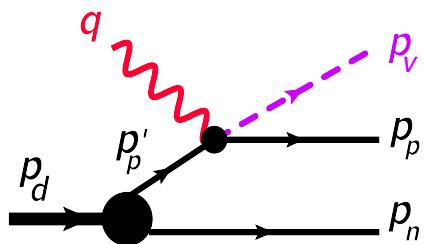
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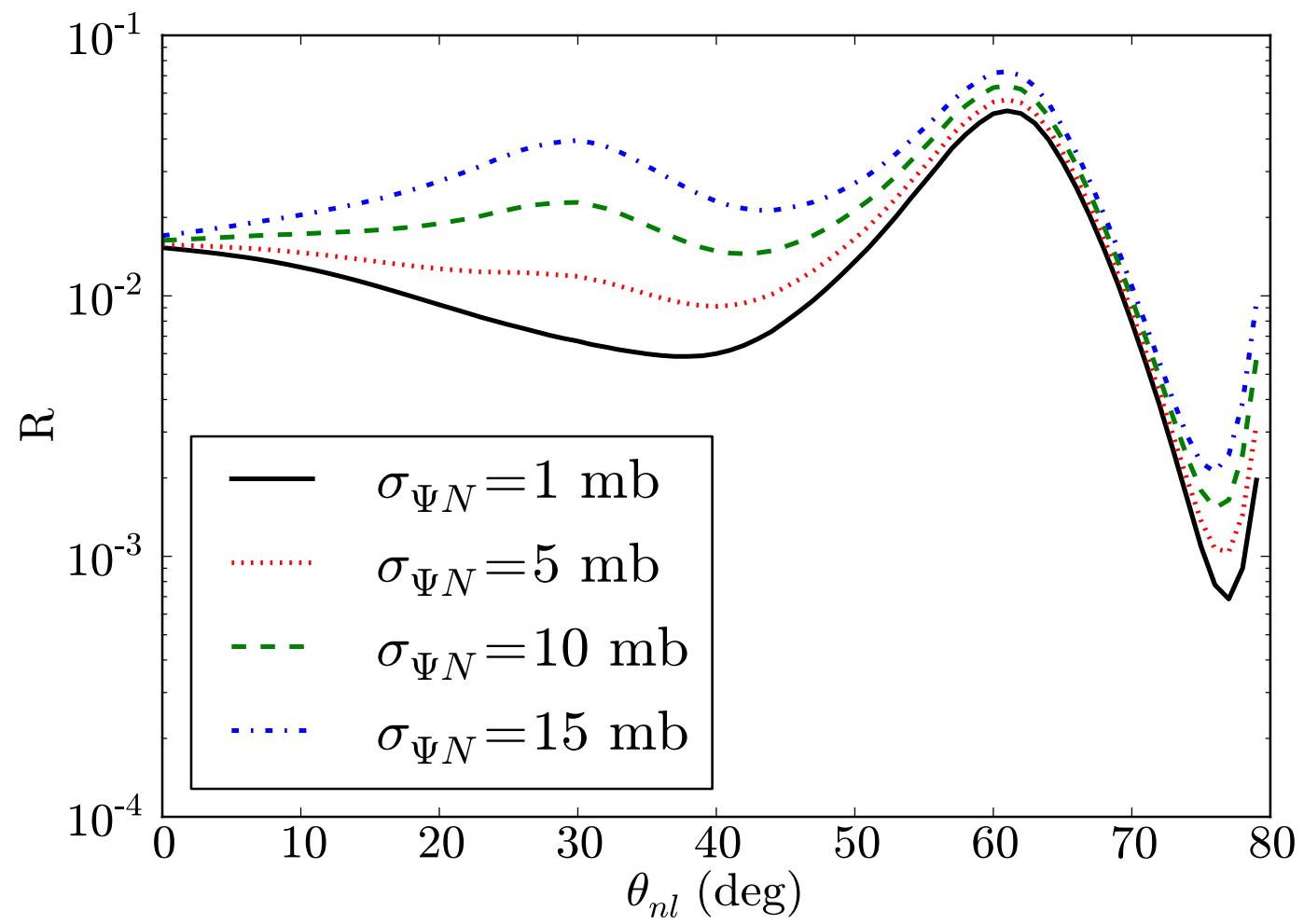


III. Extracting J/Psi-N interaction near the threshold



Adam Freese, MS, PRC 2013





Outlook

- Vector Meson Production with deuteron break-up is an effective tools for extracting VN scattering cross section

