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Study of Short-Range Correlations (SRC) in exotic nuclei

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# Outline



# Introduction

- Short Range Correlations (SRCs);
- Quenching of the Spectroscopic Factors;
- EMC effect;
- How to probe SRCs;

# JINR Experimental Program Dubna (JINR) test experiment;

- (p,2p) analysis.
- Derivation of observables to isolate SRC physics.

# R3B Experimental Program

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ONGOING ANALYSIS

# **FAIR First Physics Program**

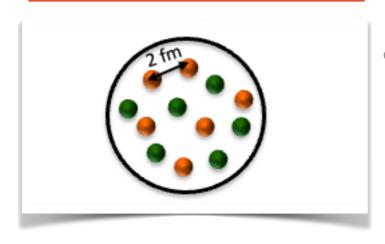




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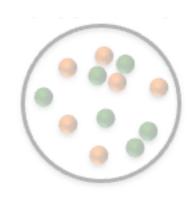


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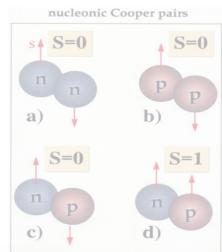


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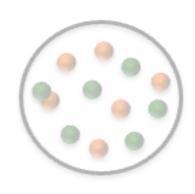
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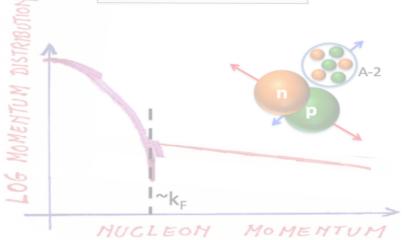
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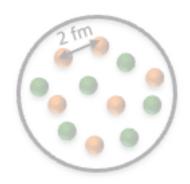
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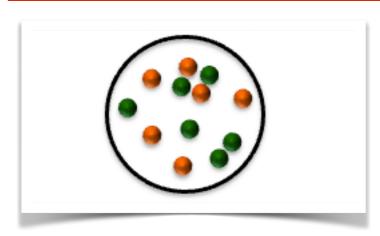


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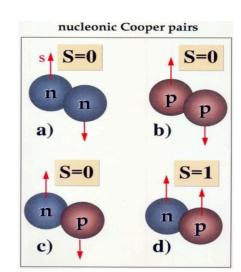


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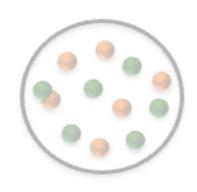
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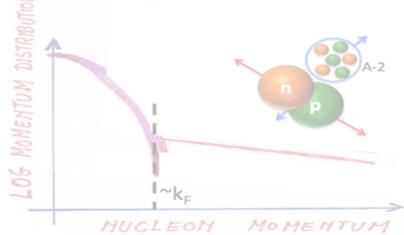
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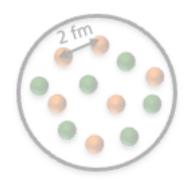
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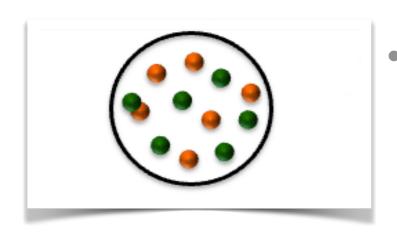
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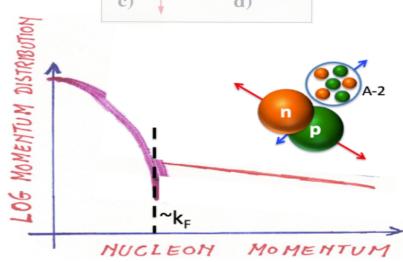
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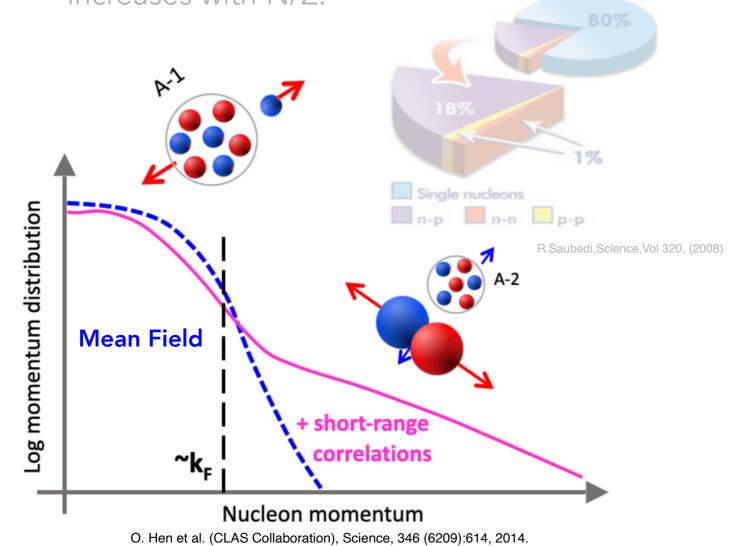




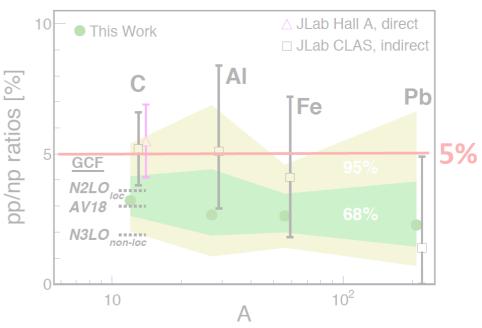


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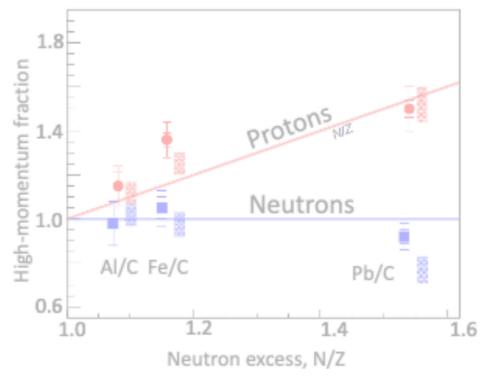
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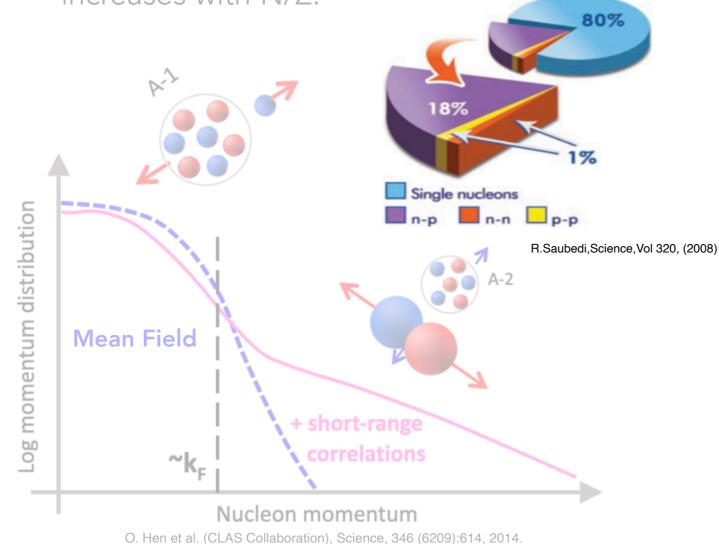
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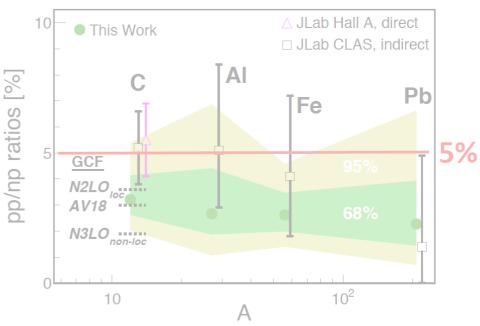


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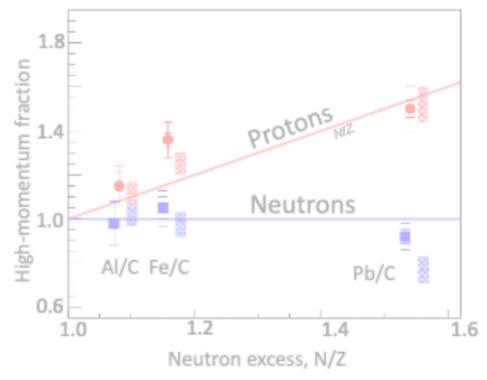
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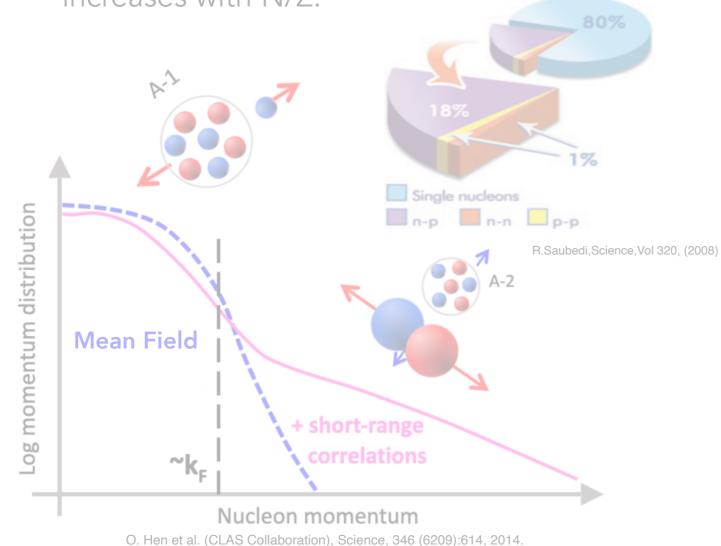
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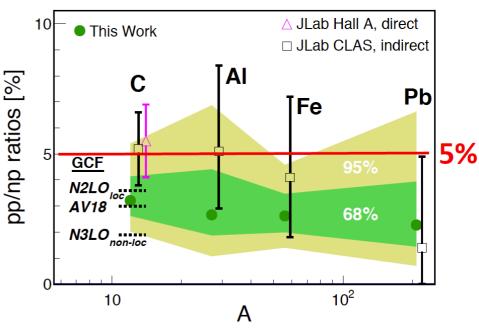


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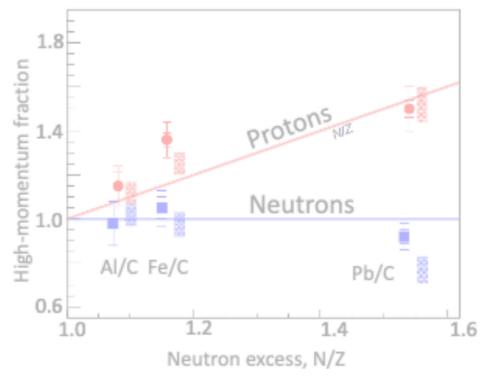
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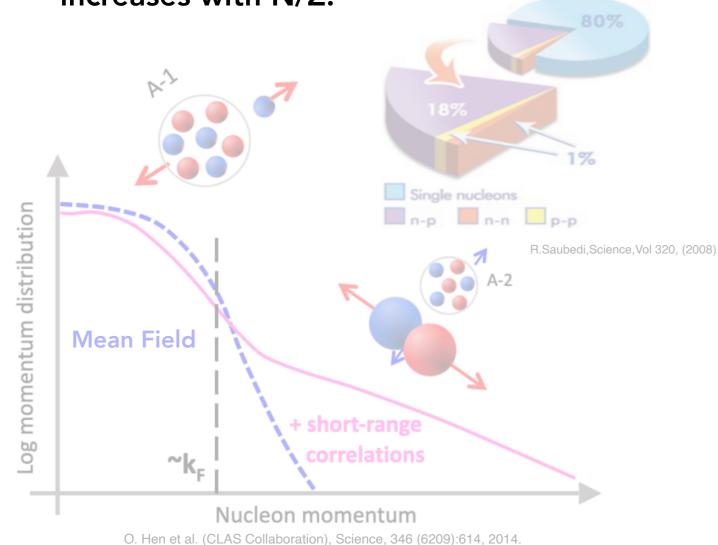




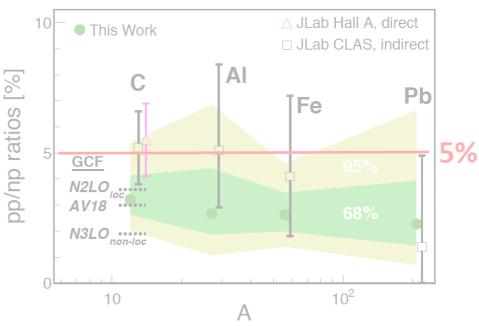
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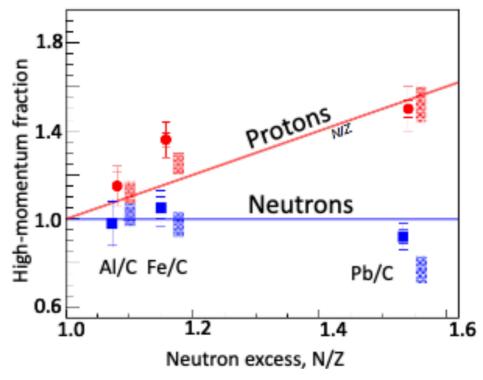
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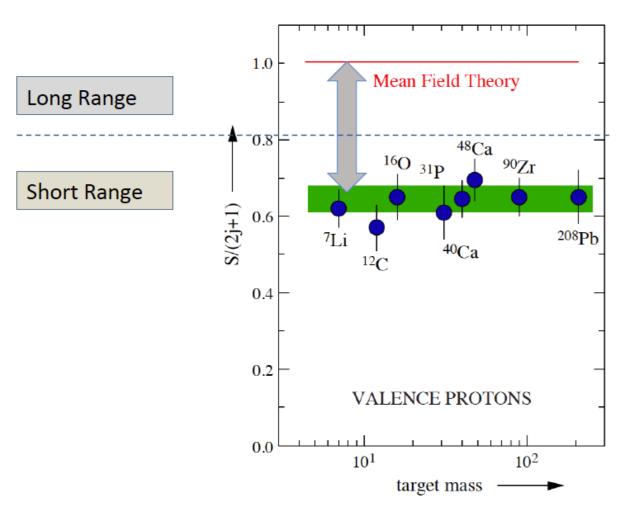
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Reduction of measured nucleon removal cross section with respect to the prediction of the mean-field theories

W.H. Dickhoff, C. Barbieri / Progress in Particle and Nuclear Physics 52 (2004) 377-496



- Correlations between nucleons modify the mean-field approximation;
- About 30% 40% of the nucleons participate in NN correlations, which are distinguished into long-range (LRC) and short-range (SRC);
- Are thought to be the reason for the quenching of SF observed in (e,e'p), (p,2p) and transfer reactions.
- Depletion of the single particle states below the Fermi momentum.



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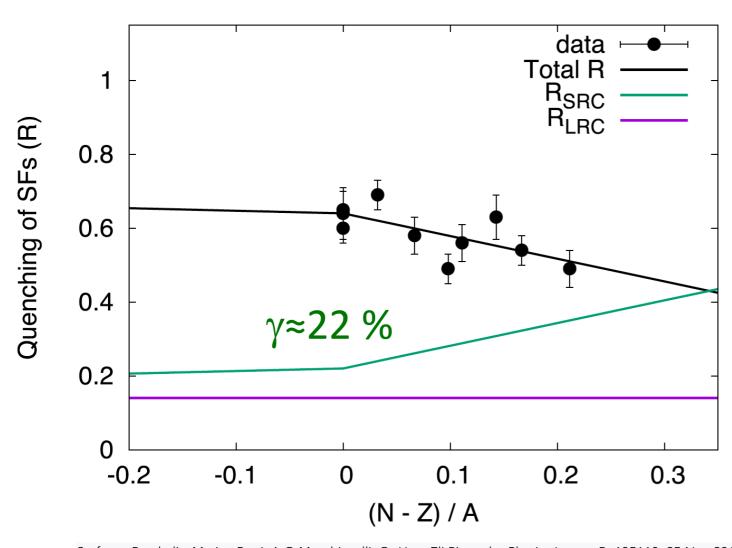
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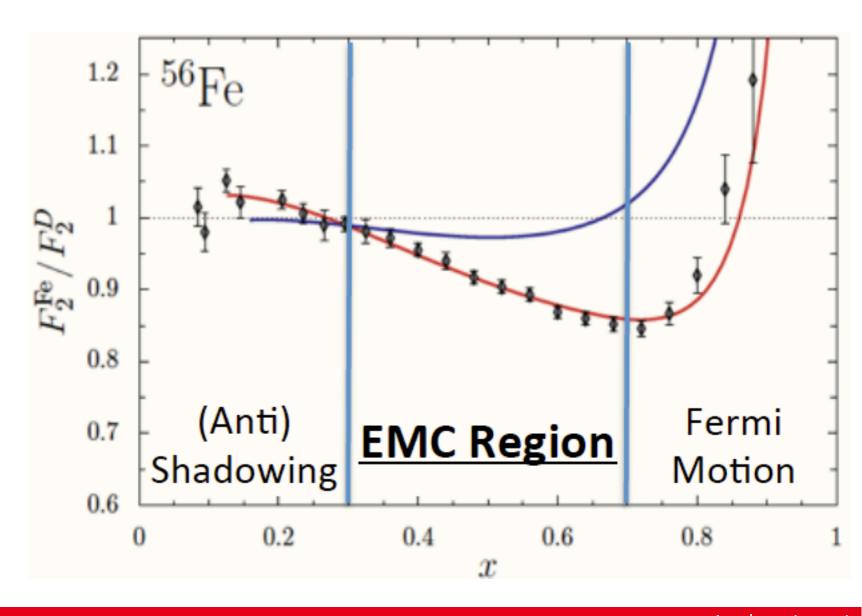
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# EMC effect

The European Muon Collaboration (EMC) at CERN observed a decrease of per-nucleon electron deep inelastic cross-section in nuclei with A>2 compared to the deuteron.

- Deviation of the per-nucleon DIS cross section ratio of nuclei relative to deuterium from unity.
- Universal shape for 0.3<x<0.7 and 3<A<197.</li>
- No fully accepted theoretical explanation.

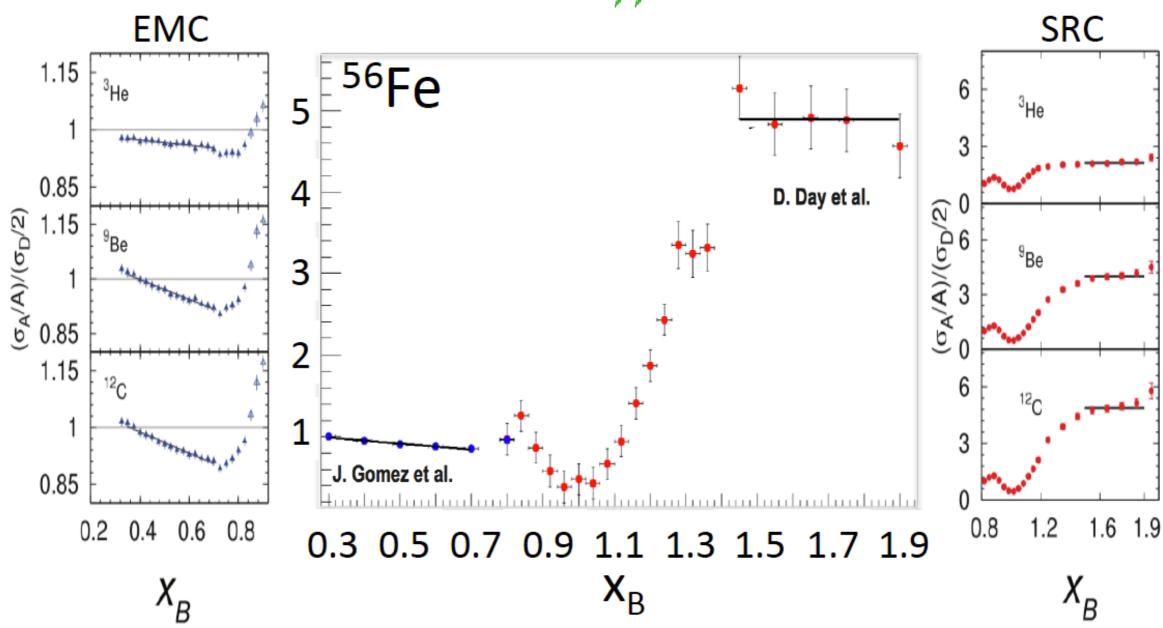


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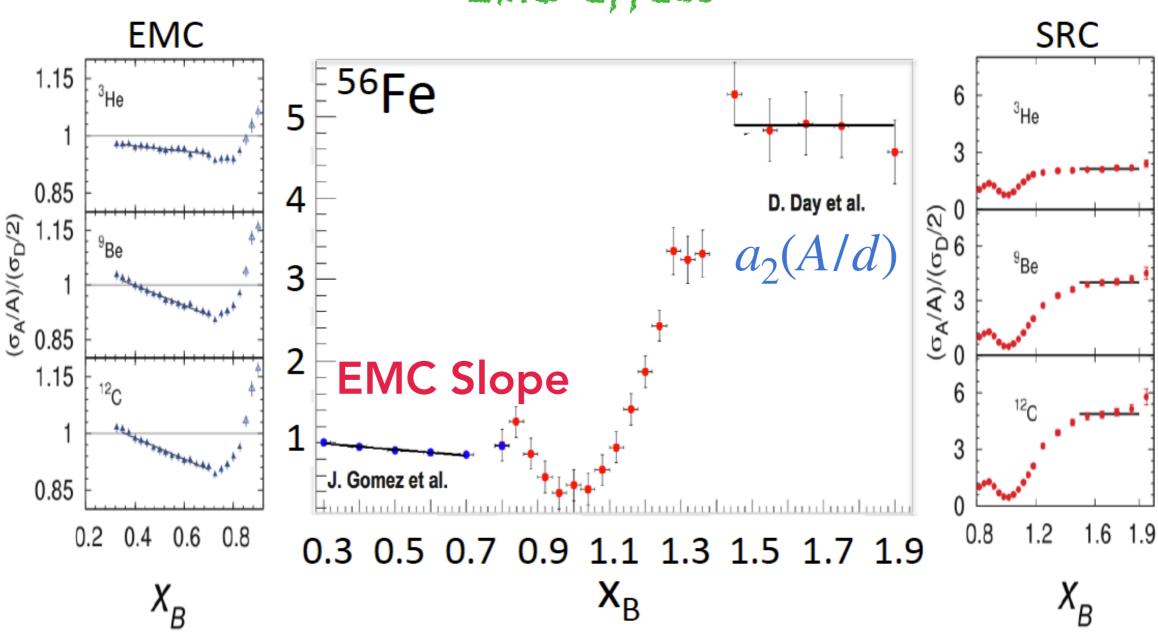
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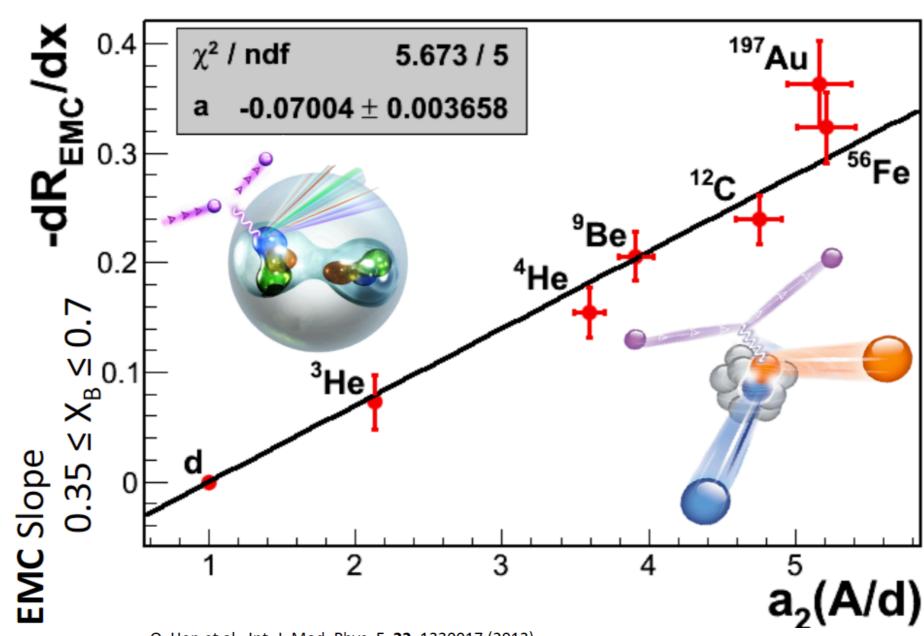
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EMC slopes versus the SRC scale factors. The two values are strongly linearly correlated.



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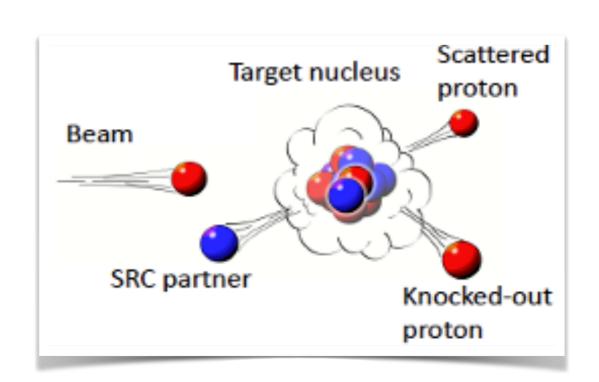






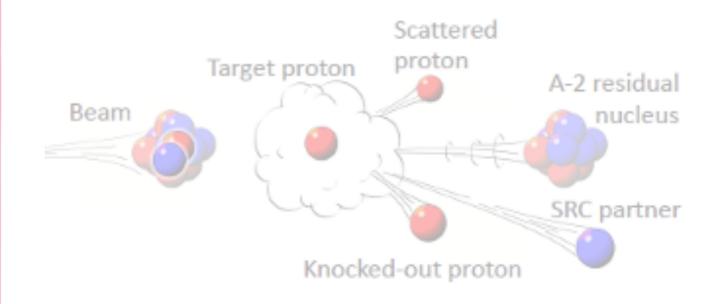
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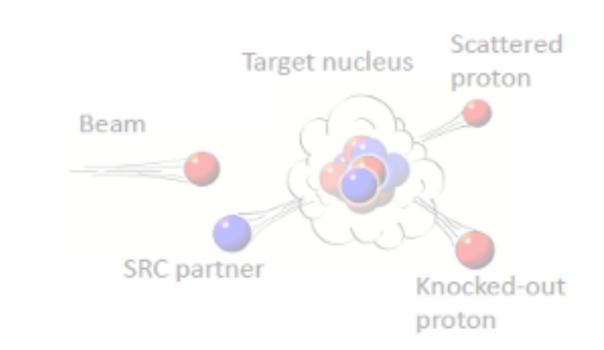






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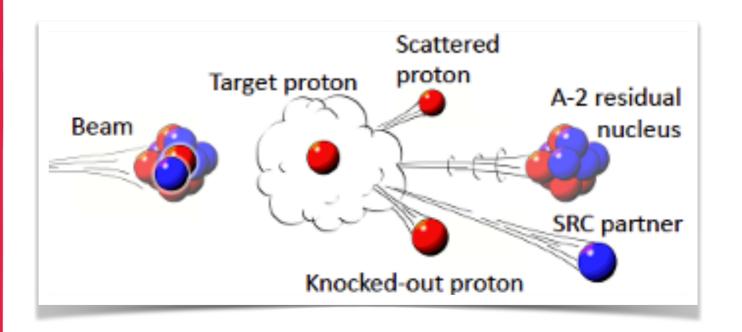
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#### Proton scattering experiments

- BM@N (JINR) pilot experiment (2018);
- $R^3B$  (GSI) Experiment (May 2022);
  - Probe SRC in an exotic nucleus for the first time;
- FAIR First Physics Lol.



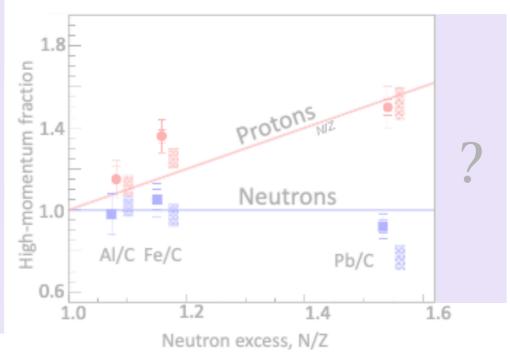






### Motivations R3B Experiment

- Existing trend based on a few points;
- behaviour can depend on shell structure (open/closed shell effects);
- mass and N/Z excess cannot be disentangled with stable nuclei.
- New measurement at N/Z = 1.67 ( $^{16}C$ ), above the largest available N/Z and at a much smaller mass.



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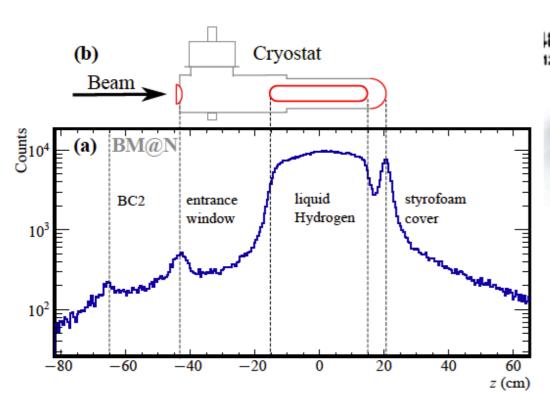


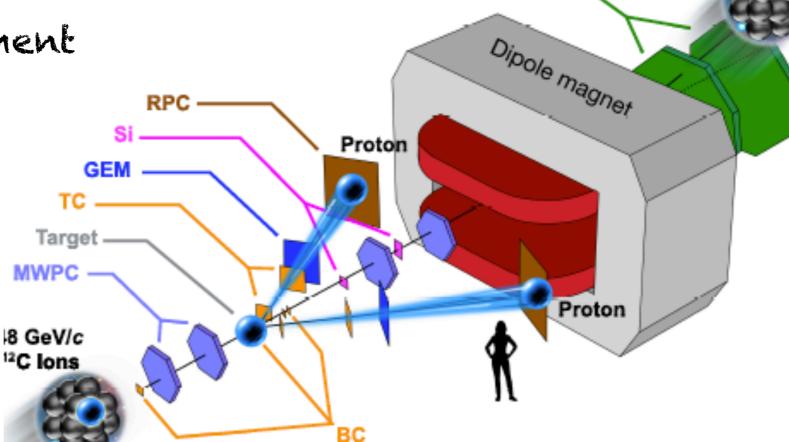
 $^{12}C(p,2pN)$ 

Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINR), 4 GeV/c/u Carbon beam

### Motivations JINR Experiment

- Test experiment;
- Test if SRCs are accessible in proton scattering in inverse kinematics;
- Study sensitivity to ISI/FSI induced distortions.





- tracking and momentum of the two scattered protons under large laboratory angles with two-arm spectrometer (TAS);
- pair-recoil nucleon (n or p) momentum;

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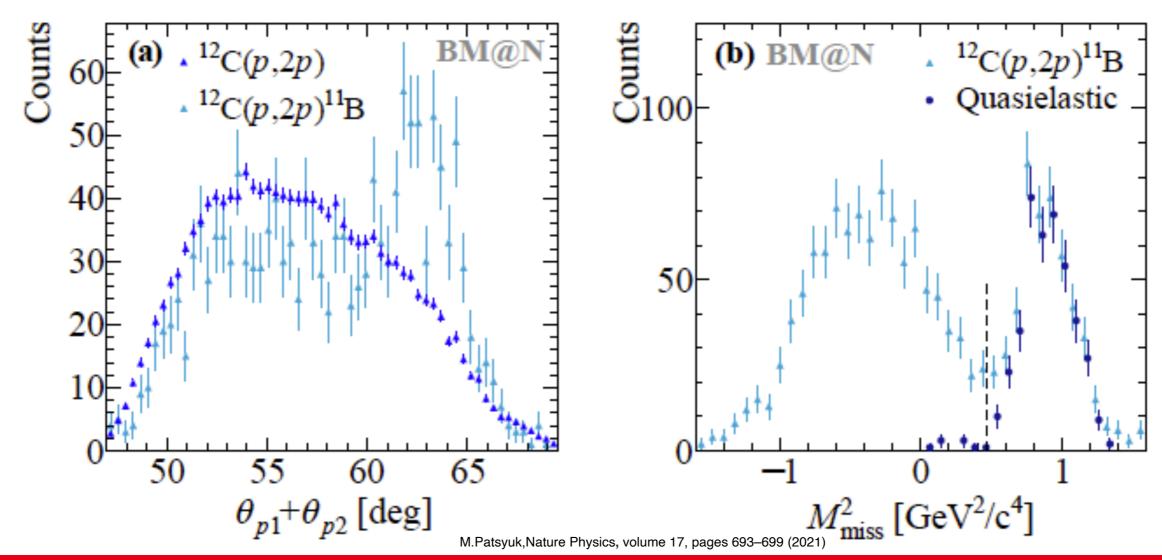
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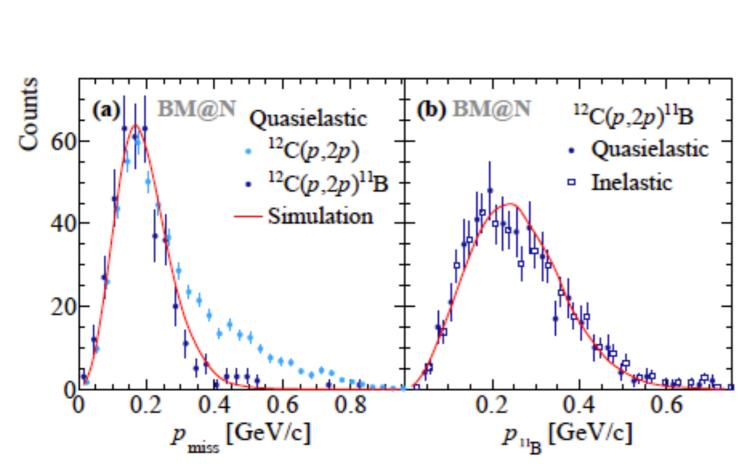


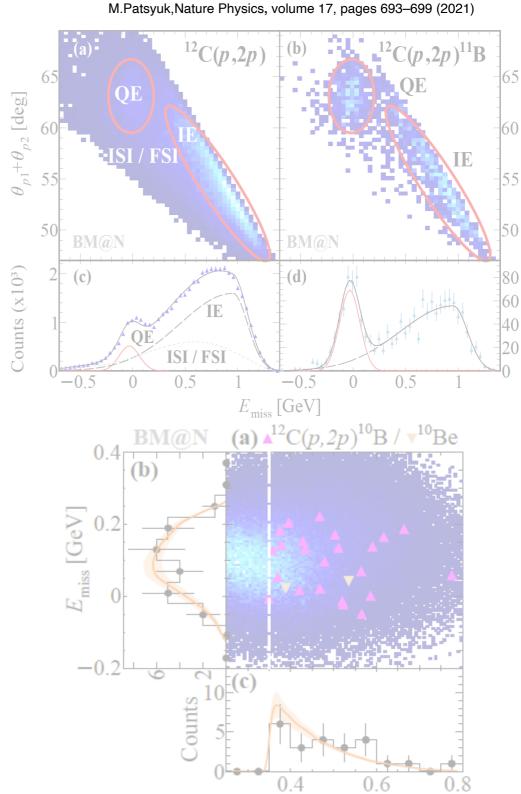


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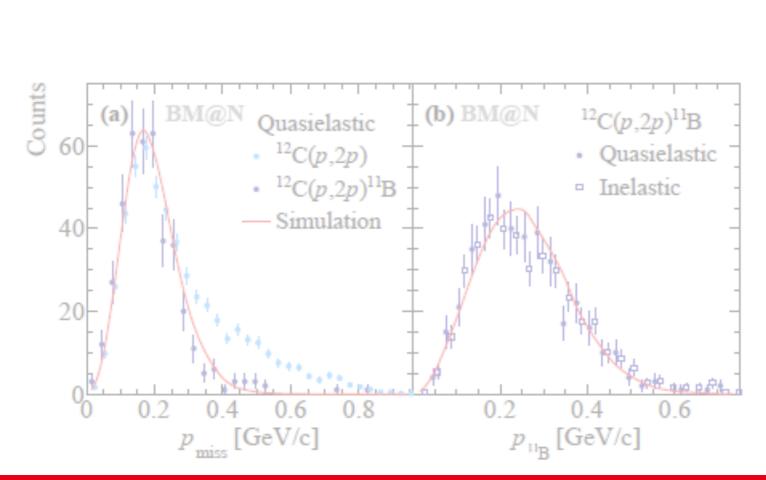


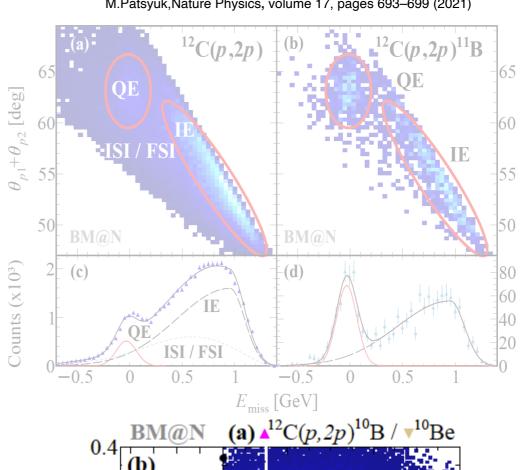
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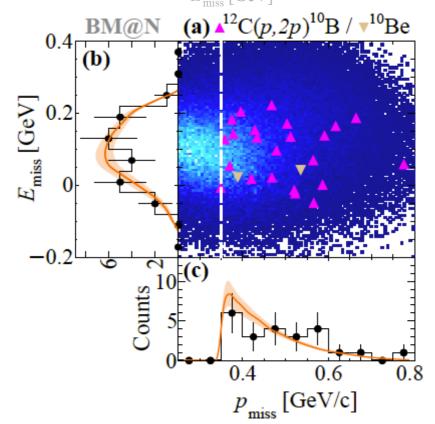


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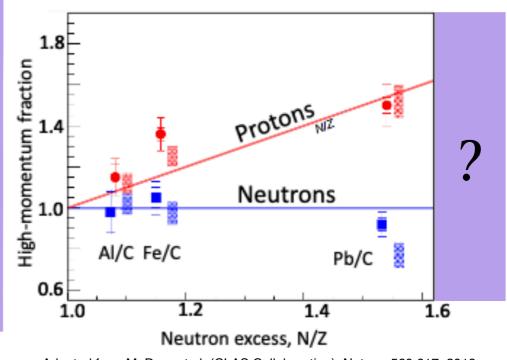






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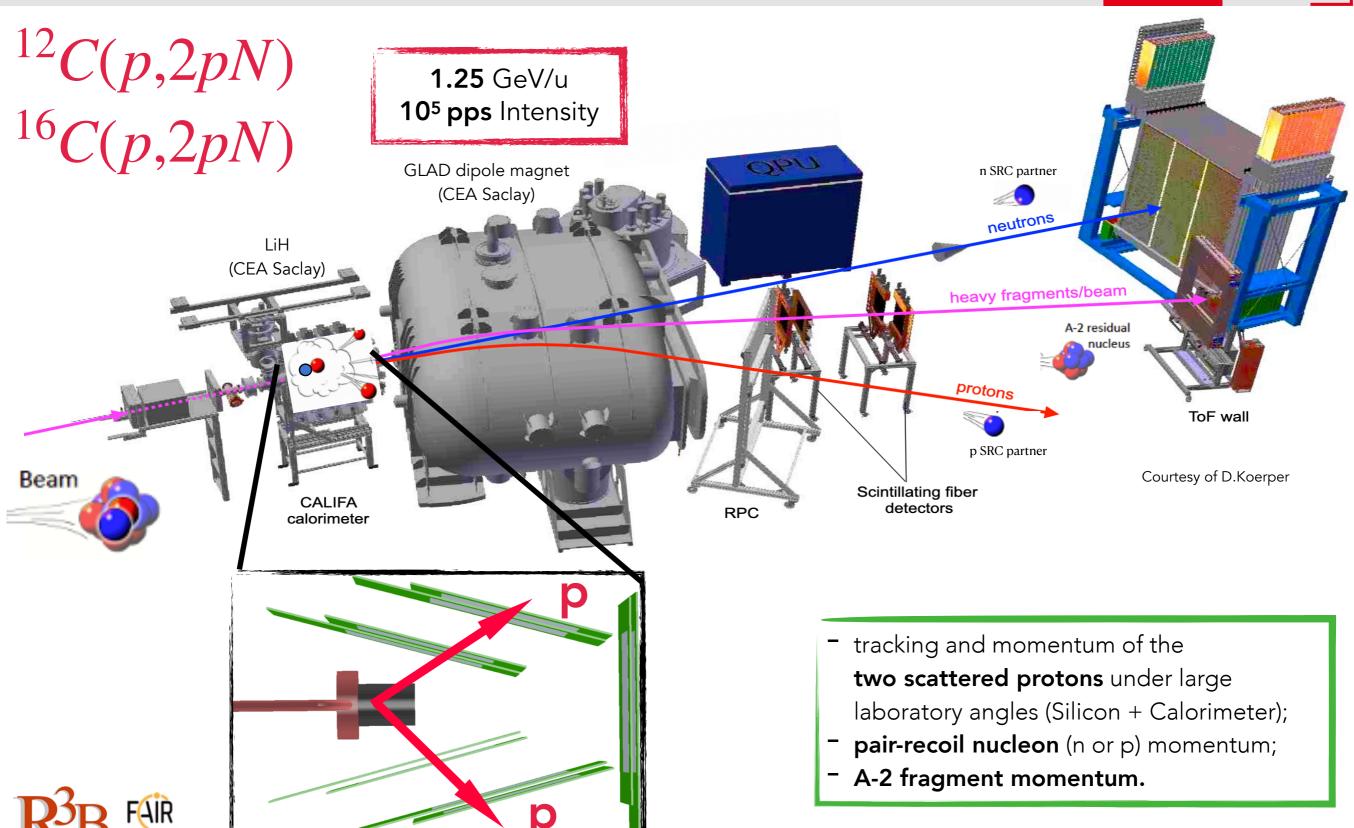
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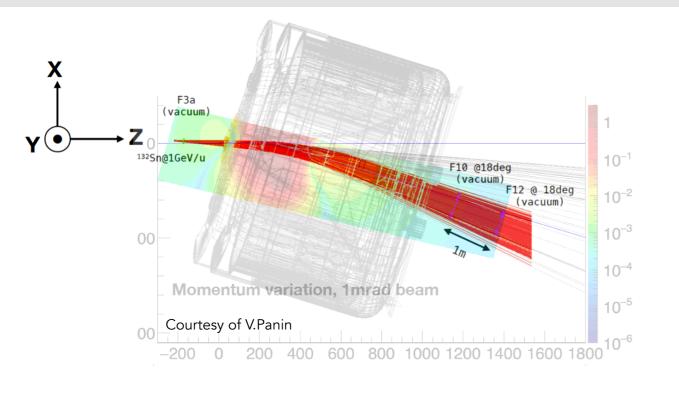




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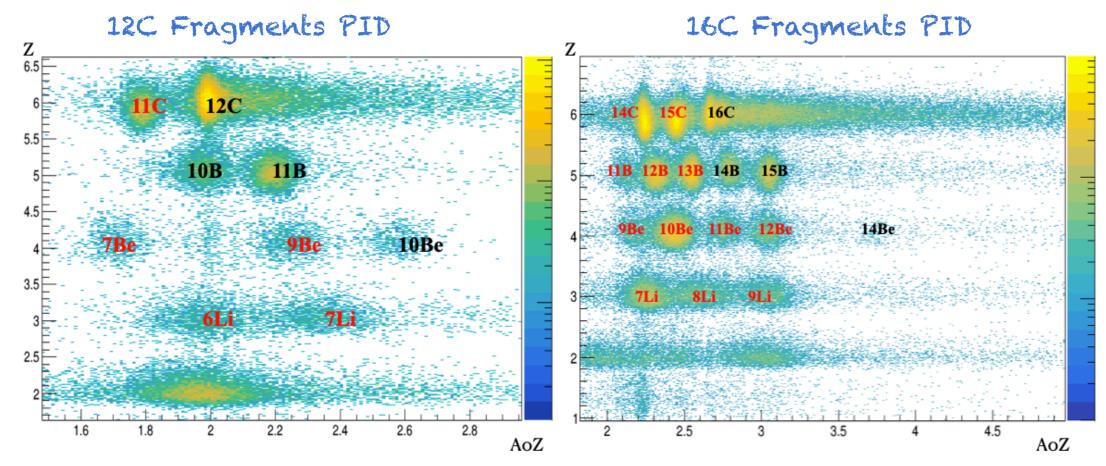






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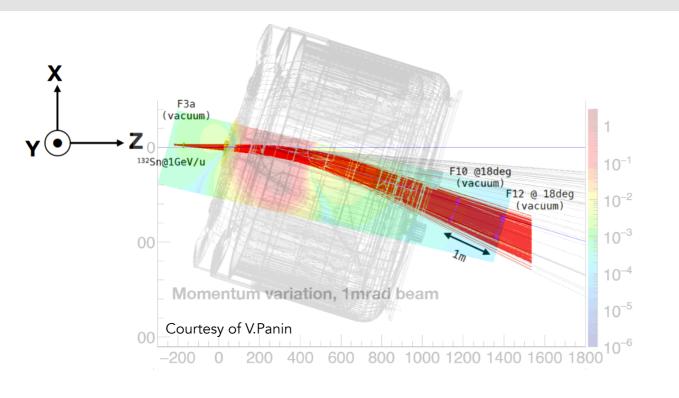




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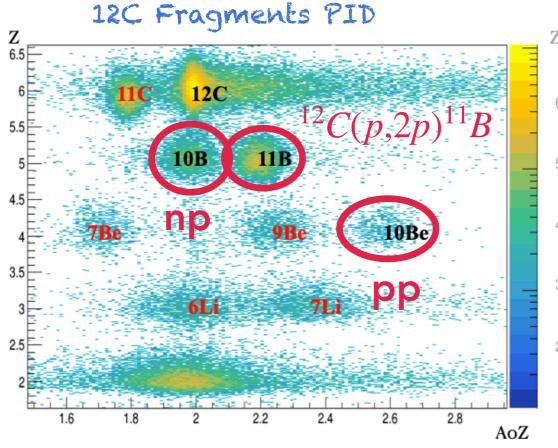




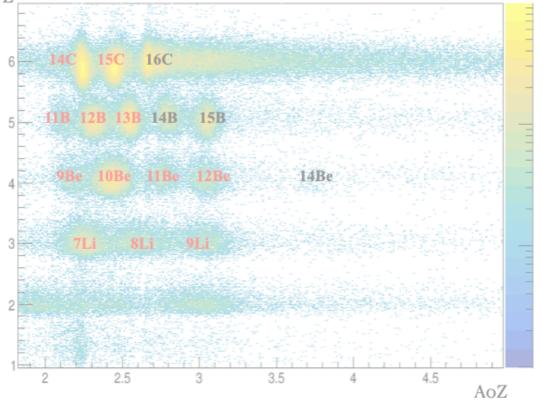


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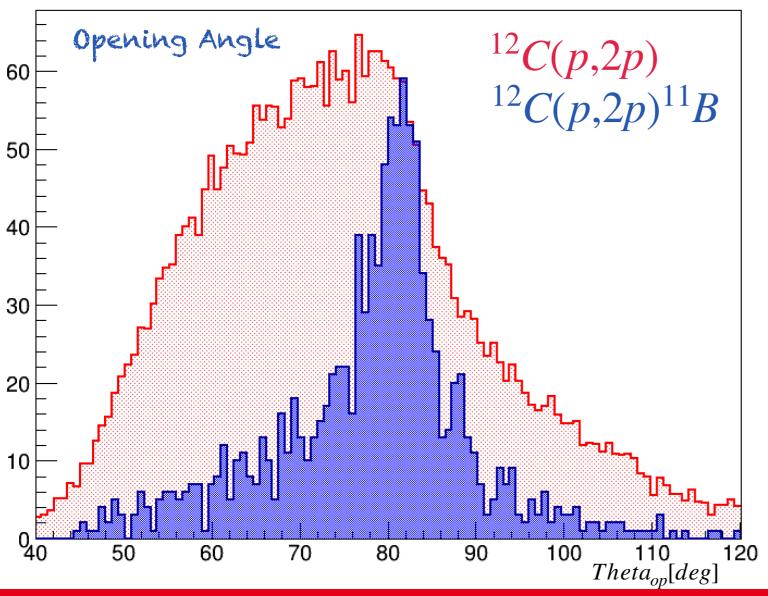


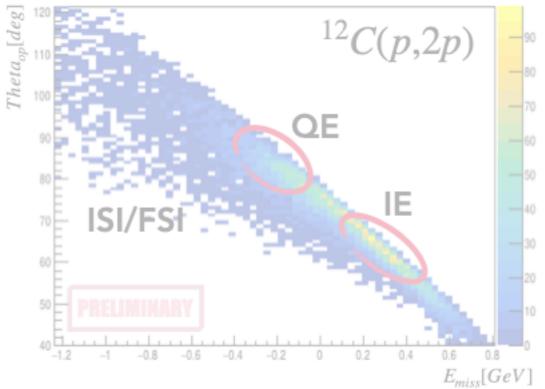


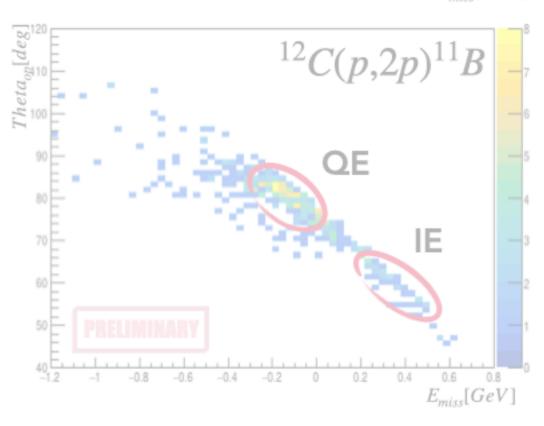
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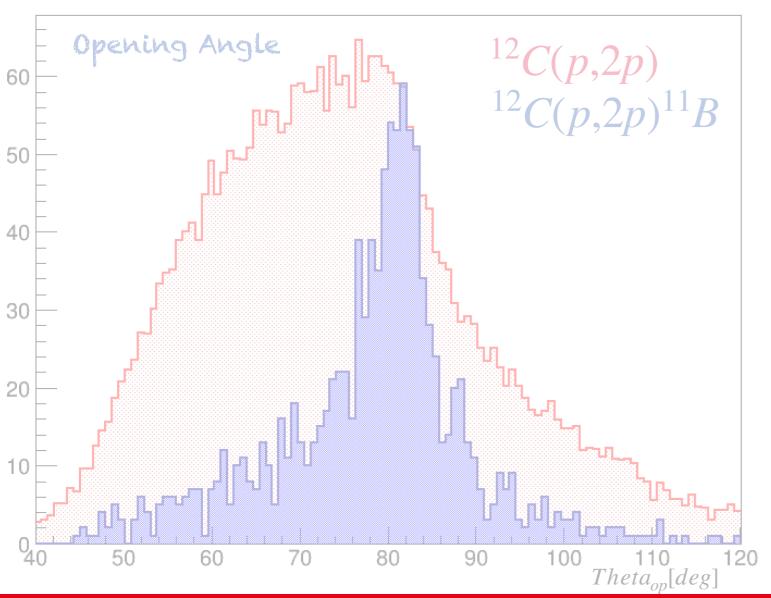


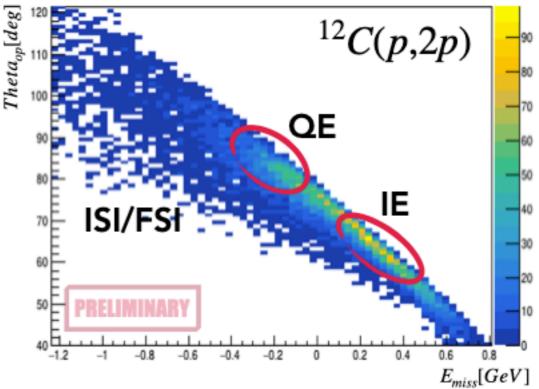


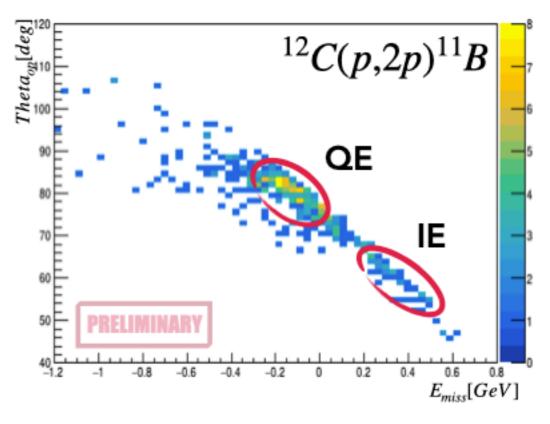
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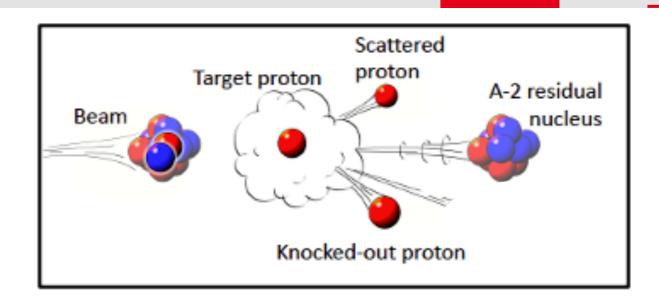


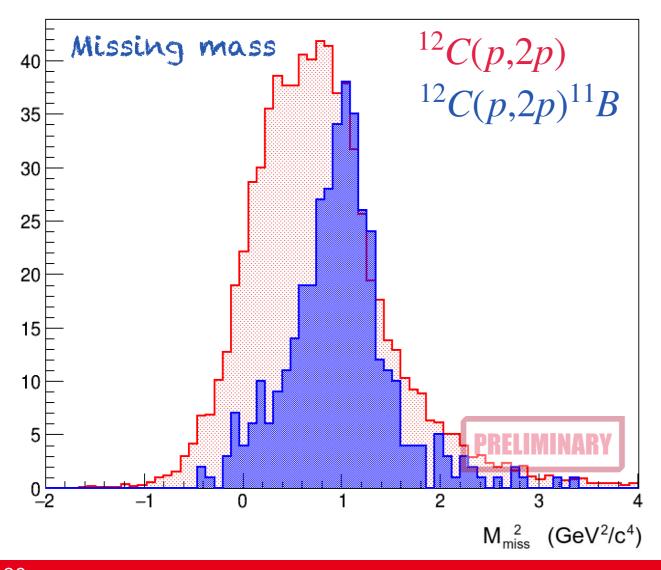
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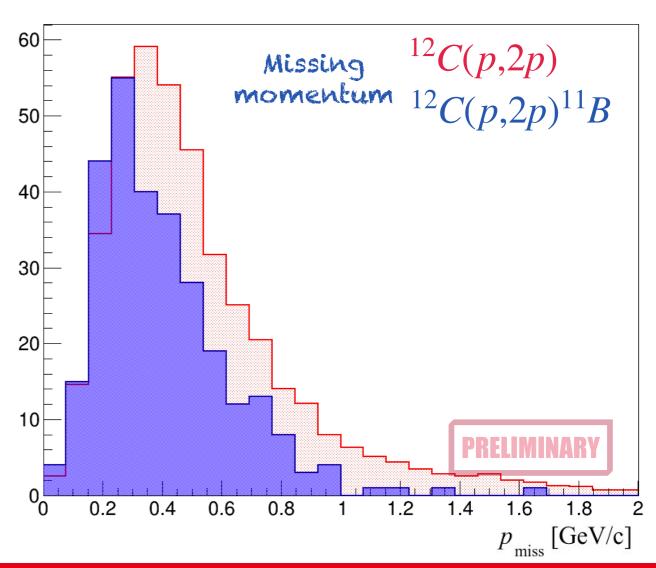
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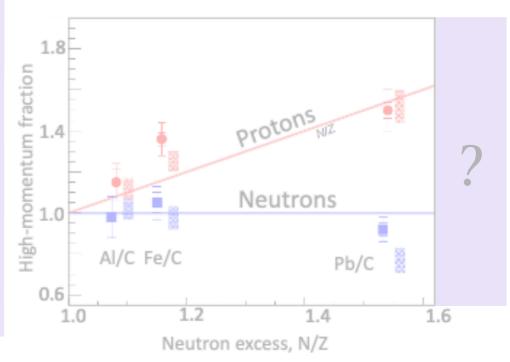






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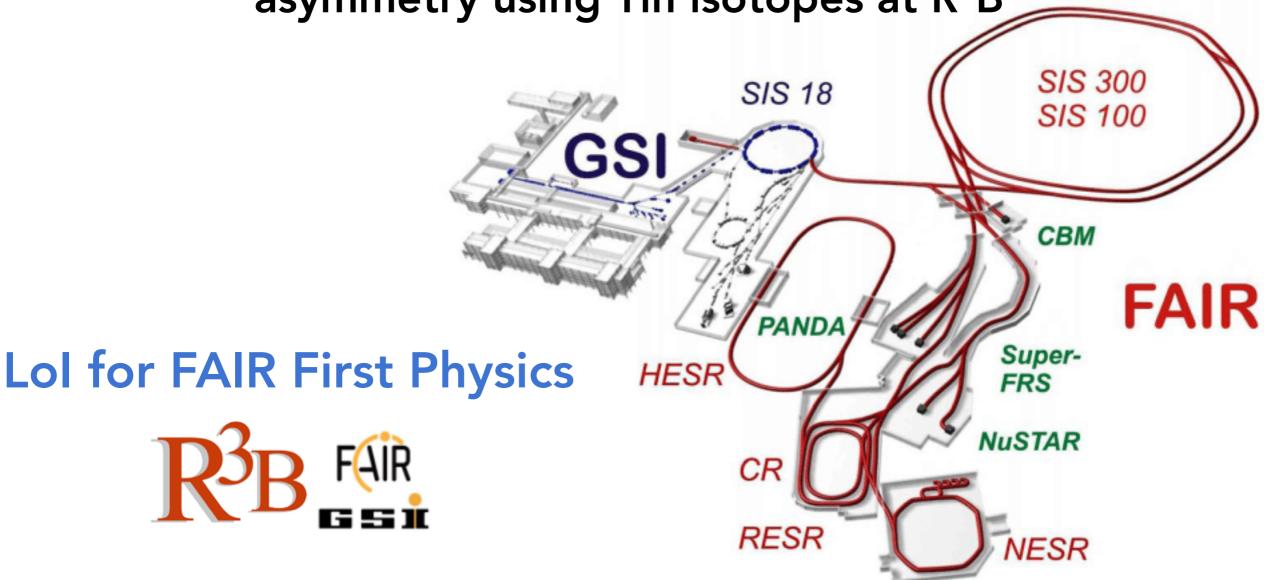
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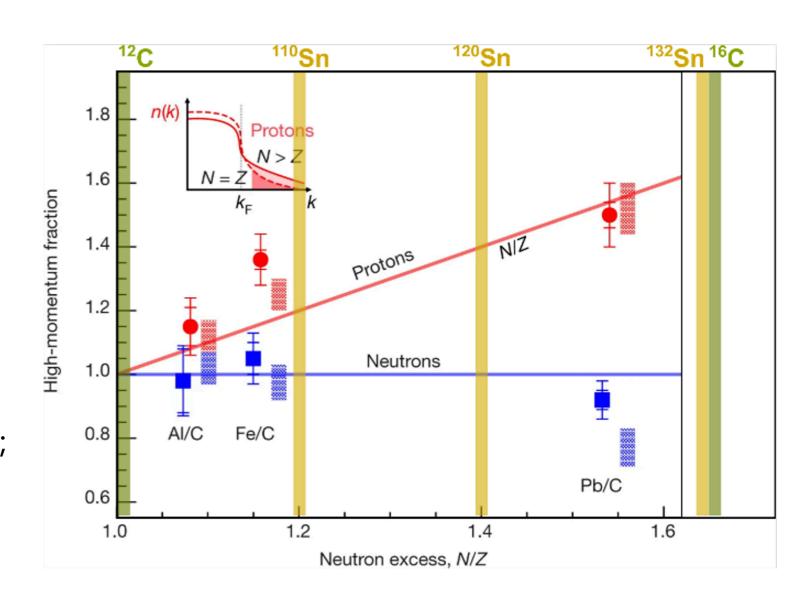
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