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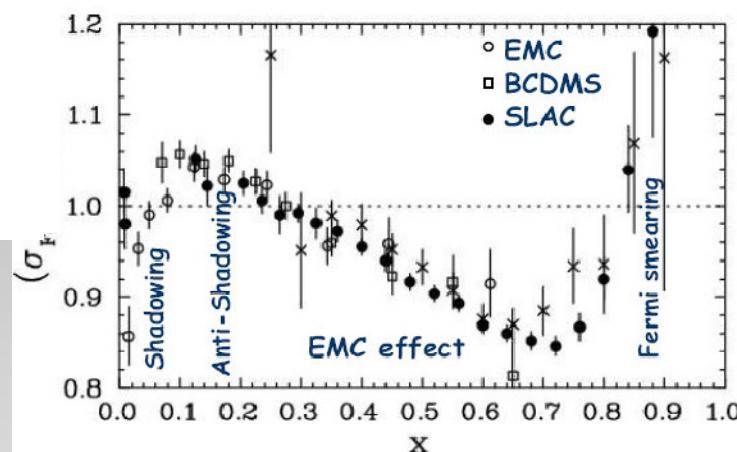
# The EMC effect and Short Range Correlation in nuclei (extracting the Free neutron structure function)



The EMC effect is 30 years old

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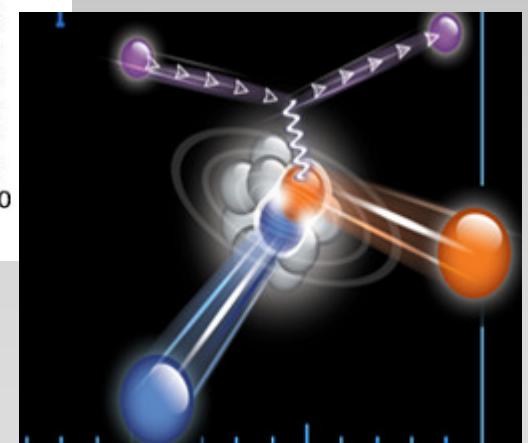
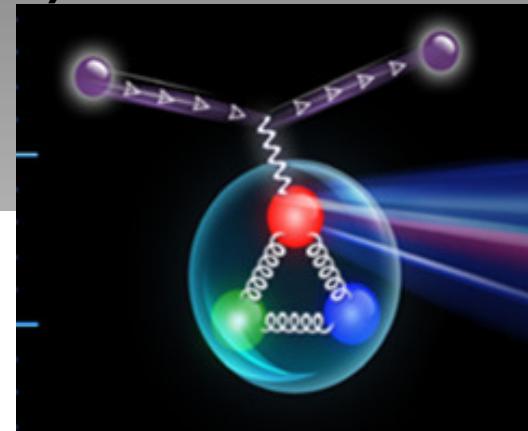
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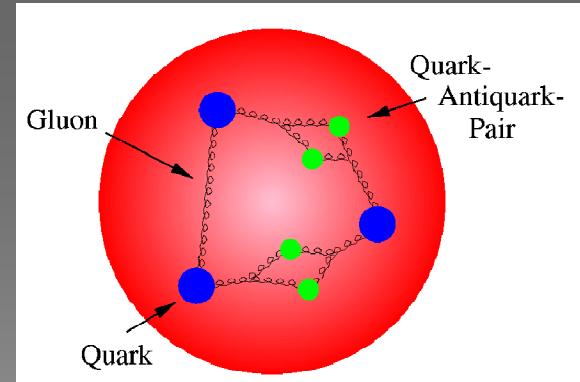
Track: Structure functions and Parton Densities



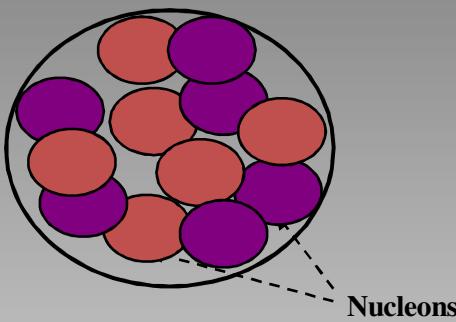
# Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS)



DIS scale: several tens of GeV



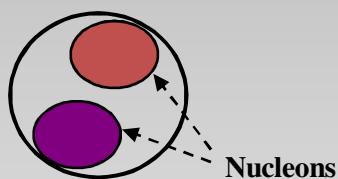
Nucleon in nuclei are bound by ~MeV



Naive expectations :

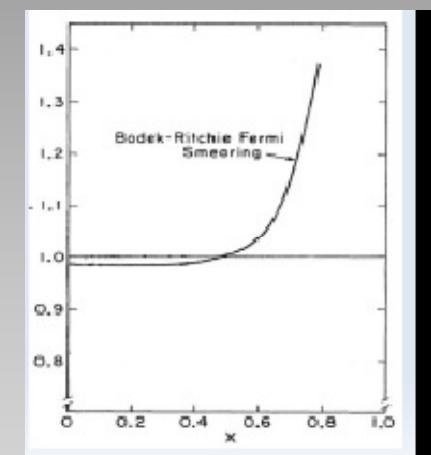
DIS off a bound nucleon = DIS off a free nucleon

(Except for small Fermi momentum corrections)



Deuteron: binding energy ~2 MeV

Average nucleons separation ~2 fm



DIS off a deuteron = DIS off a free proton neutron pair

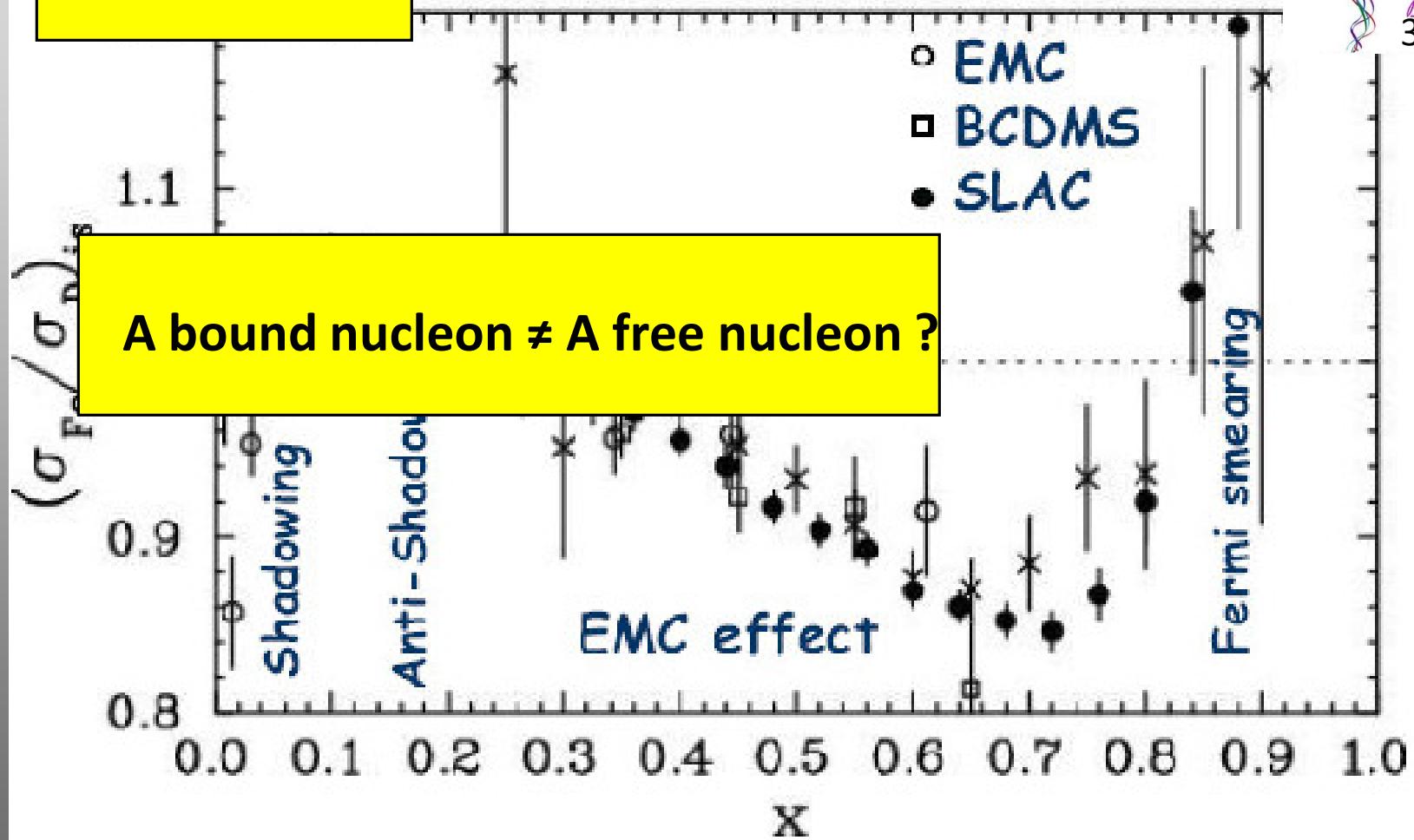
# The European Muon Collaboration (EMC) effect



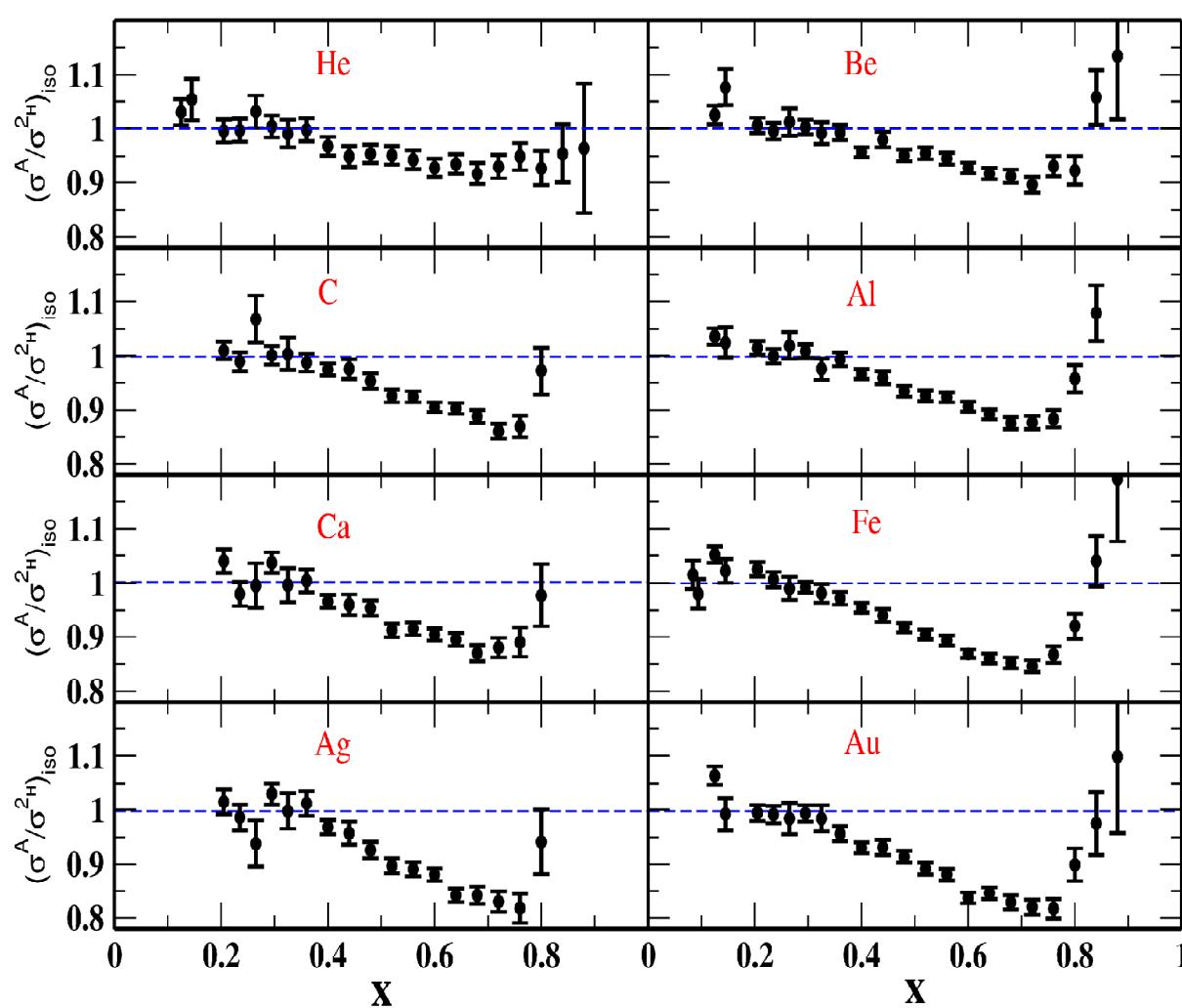
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Question :



$\sigma^{DIS}$  per nucleon in nuclei  $\neq$   $\sigma^{DIS}$  per nucleon in deuteron



universal x-dependence shape

$Q^2$  independence

magnitude varies with A

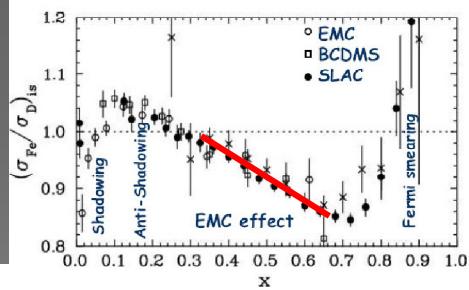
effect scale with the  
average nuclear density

Data from CERN SLAC JLab  
1983- 2009

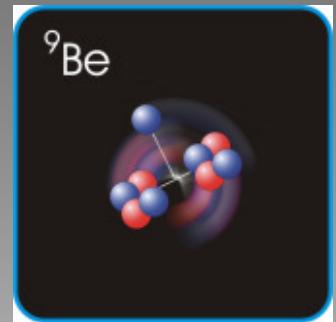
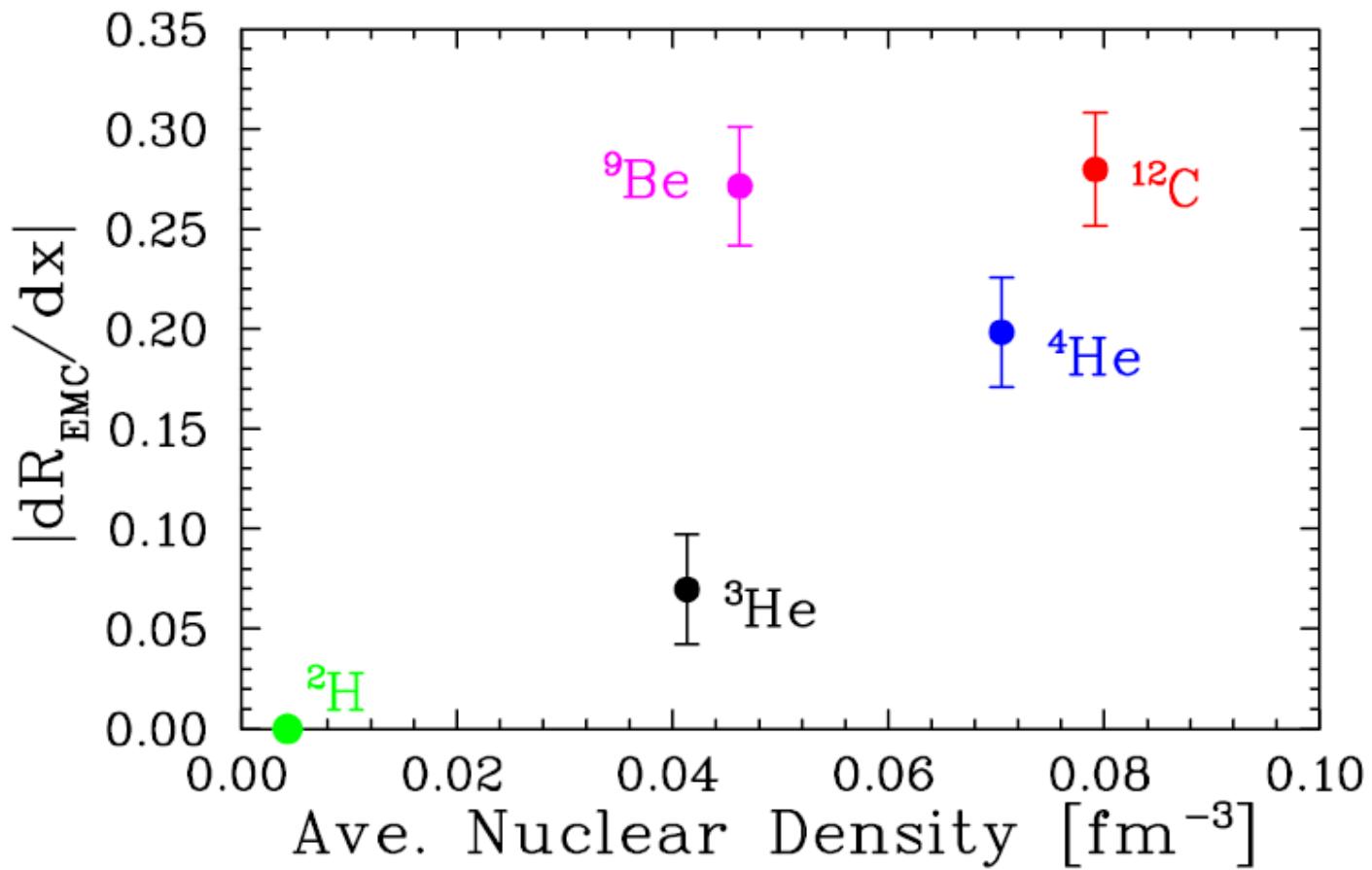
EMC collaboration, Aubert et al. PL B 123,275 (1983)

SLAC Gomez et al., Phys Rev. D49,4348 (1994)

A review of data collected during first decade, Arneodo, Phys. Rep. 240,301(1994)



EMC is not a bulk property of nuclear medium



JLab / Hall C

. Seely et al. PRL 103, 202301 (2009)

Scaled nuclear density =  $(A-1)/A \langle \rho \rangle$   
 → remove contribution from struck nucleon

$\langle \rho \rangle$  from ab initio few-body calculations  
 → [S.C. Pieper and R.B. Wiringa, Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci 51, 53 (2001)]

# The European Muon Collaboration (EMC) effect



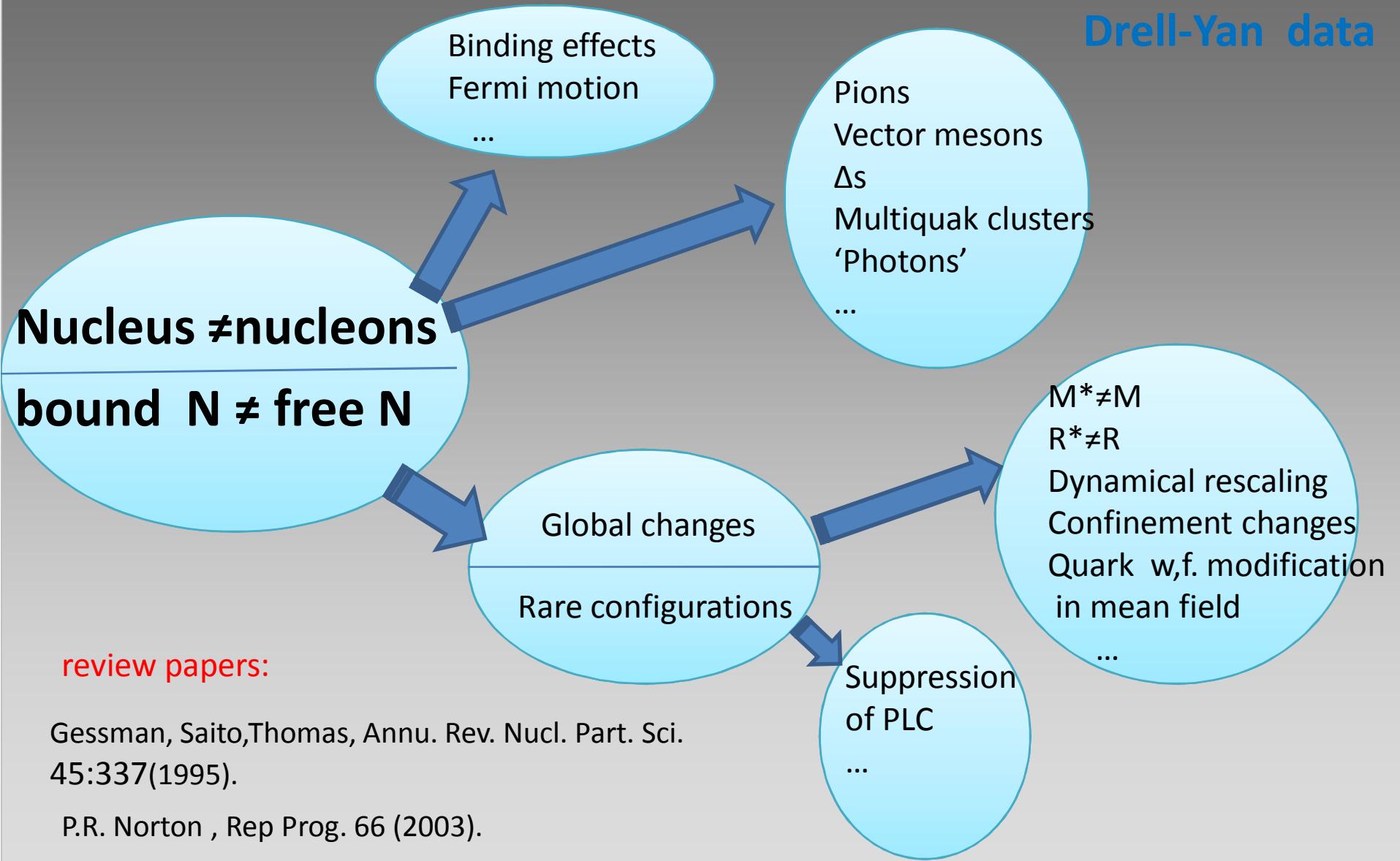
**Well established measured effect  
with no consensus as to its origin**



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## Models of the EMC effect

Drell-Yan data



# What are 2N-SRC in nuclei ?

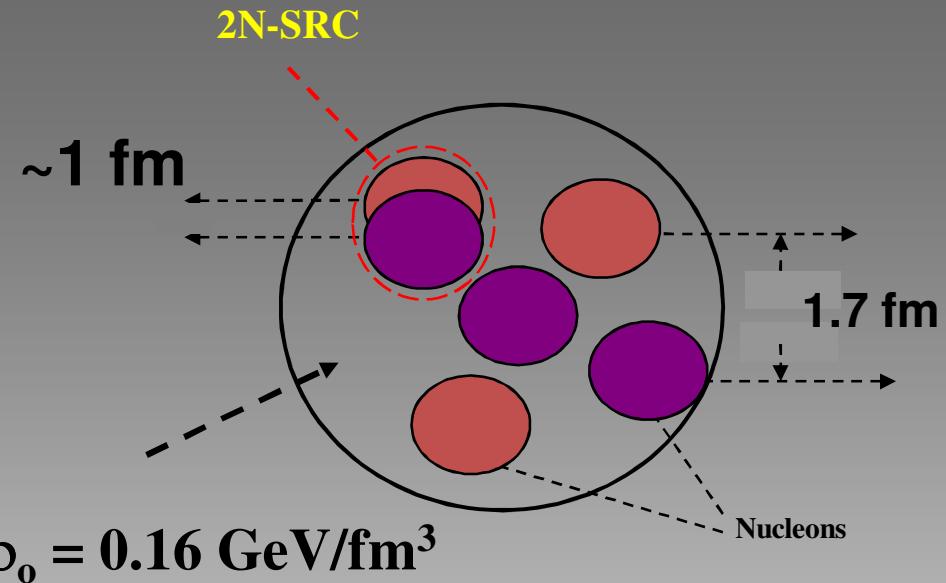


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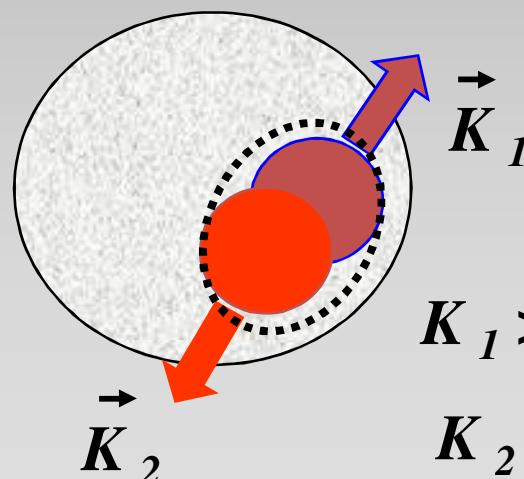
In coordinate space:

$$\text{SRC} \sim R_N$$

$$\text{LRC} \sim R_A$$



In momentum space:

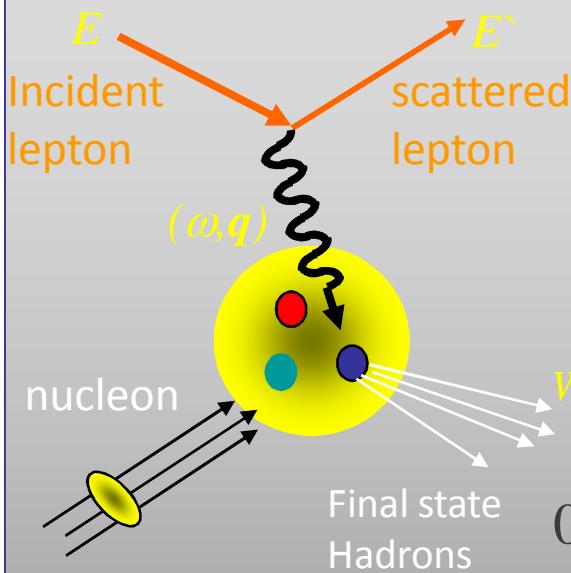


large relative momentum  
small CM momentum.

$$\vec{K}_1 \cong \vec{K}_2$$
$$K_1 > K_F, \quad K_2 > K_F \quad K_F \sim 250 \text{ MeV}/c$$

## Inclusive electron scattering $A(e,e')$

DIS off nucleons



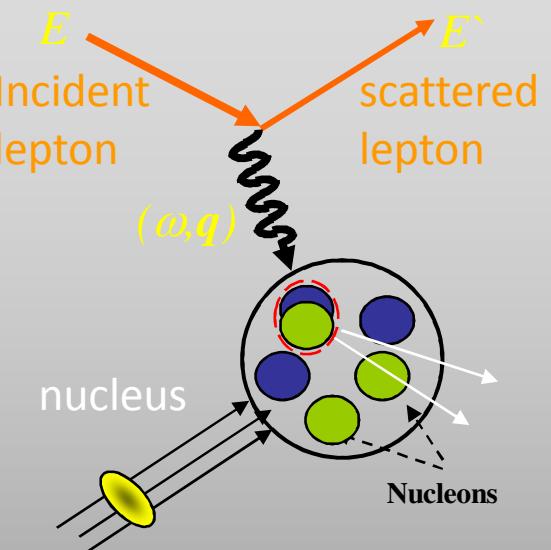
$$Q^2 = -q_\mu q^\mu = q^2 - \omega^2$$

$$\omega = E' - E$$

$$x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2m\omega} \quad (x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2(q \cdot p_T)})$$

$$0 \leq x_B \leq 1$$

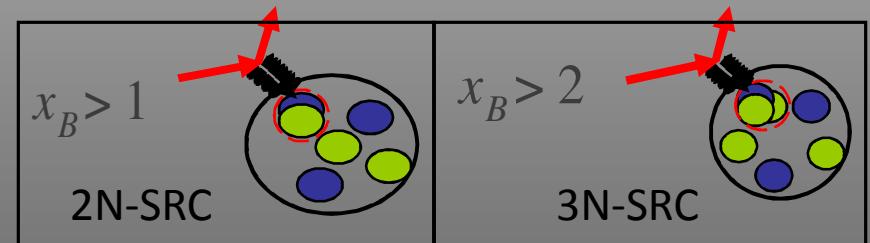
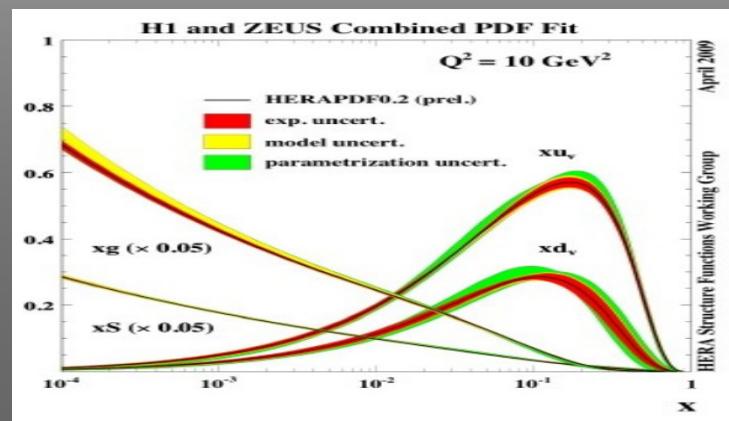
DIS off nuclei



$$0 \leq x_B \leq A$$

$x_B$  gives the fraction of nucleon momentum carried by the struck parton

$x_B$  counts the number of nucleons involved



--> scaling

--> Counting the number of SRC clusters in nuclei

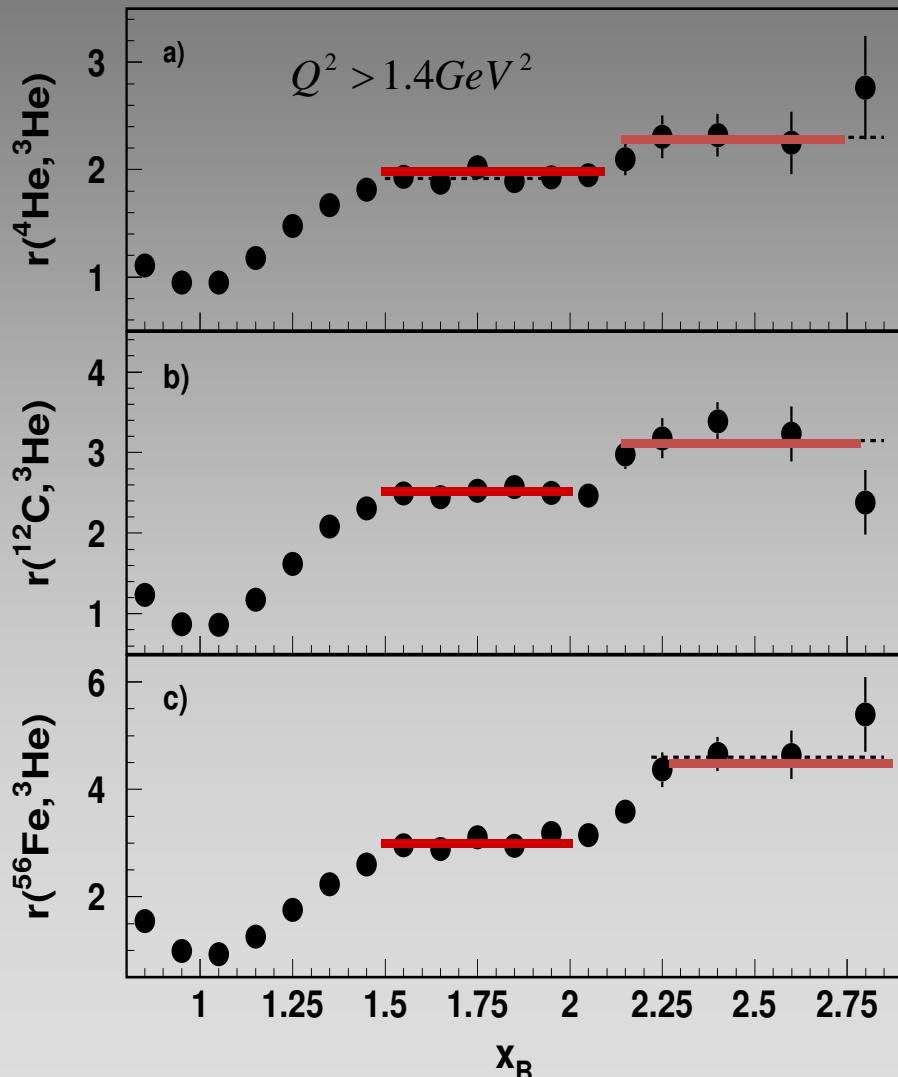


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## JLab. CLAS A( $e, e'$ ) Result

K. Sh. Egiyan et al. PRC 68, 014313 (2003)

K. Sh. Egiyan et al. PRL. 96, 082501 (2006)



The observed “scaling” means that the electrons probe the high-momentum nucleons in the 2(3)-nucleon phase, and the scaling factors determine the per-nucleon probability of the 2(3) N-SRC phase in nuclei with  $A>3$  relative to  $^3\text{He}$ .

For  $^{12}\text{C}$  2N-SRC (np, pp, nn) =  $20 \pm 4.5\%$ .

The probabilities for 3-nucleon SRC are smaller by one order of magnitude relative to the 2N SRC.

More  $r(A,d)$  data:  
SLAC D. Day et al. PRL 59,427(1987)  
JLab. Hall C E02-019

N. Fomin et al. PRL 108:092502, 2012.

Deep Inelastic Scattering

→ Partonic (quark) Structure of Hadrons

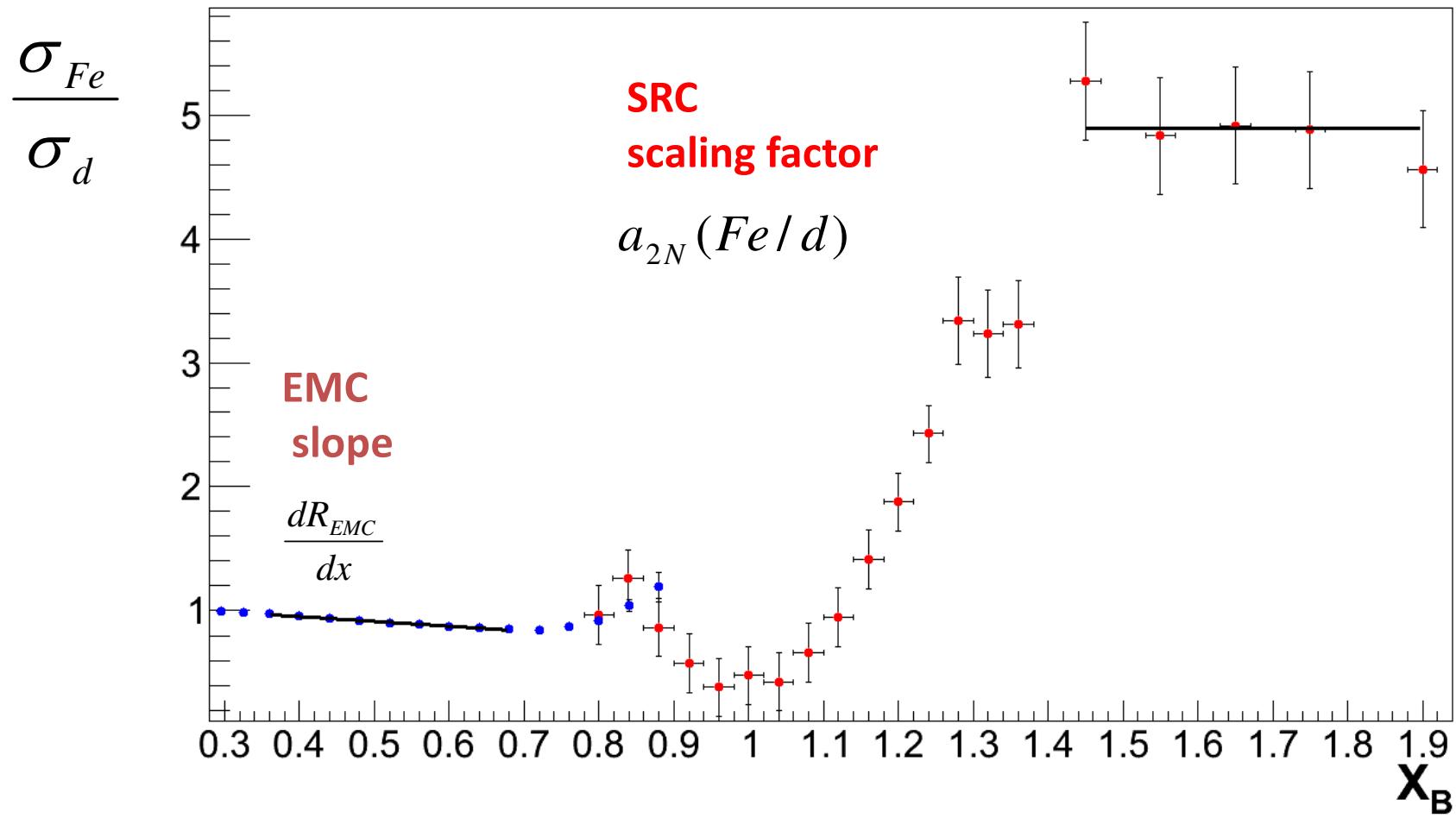
Inclusive Scattering at  $X_B > 1$   $A(e,e')$

→ Partonic (nucleon) Structure of Nucleus

# Comparing magnitude of EMC effect and SRC scaling factors



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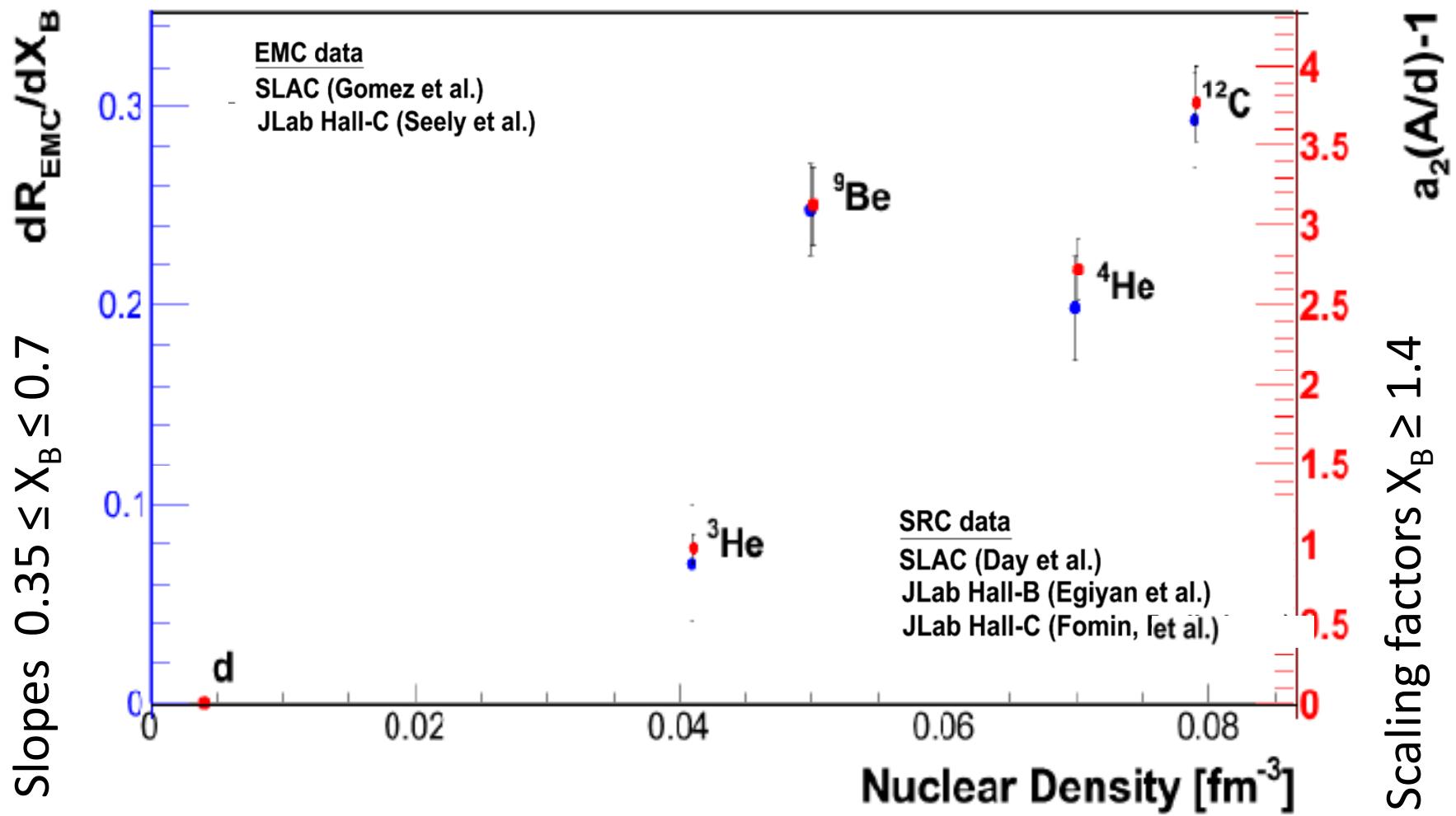


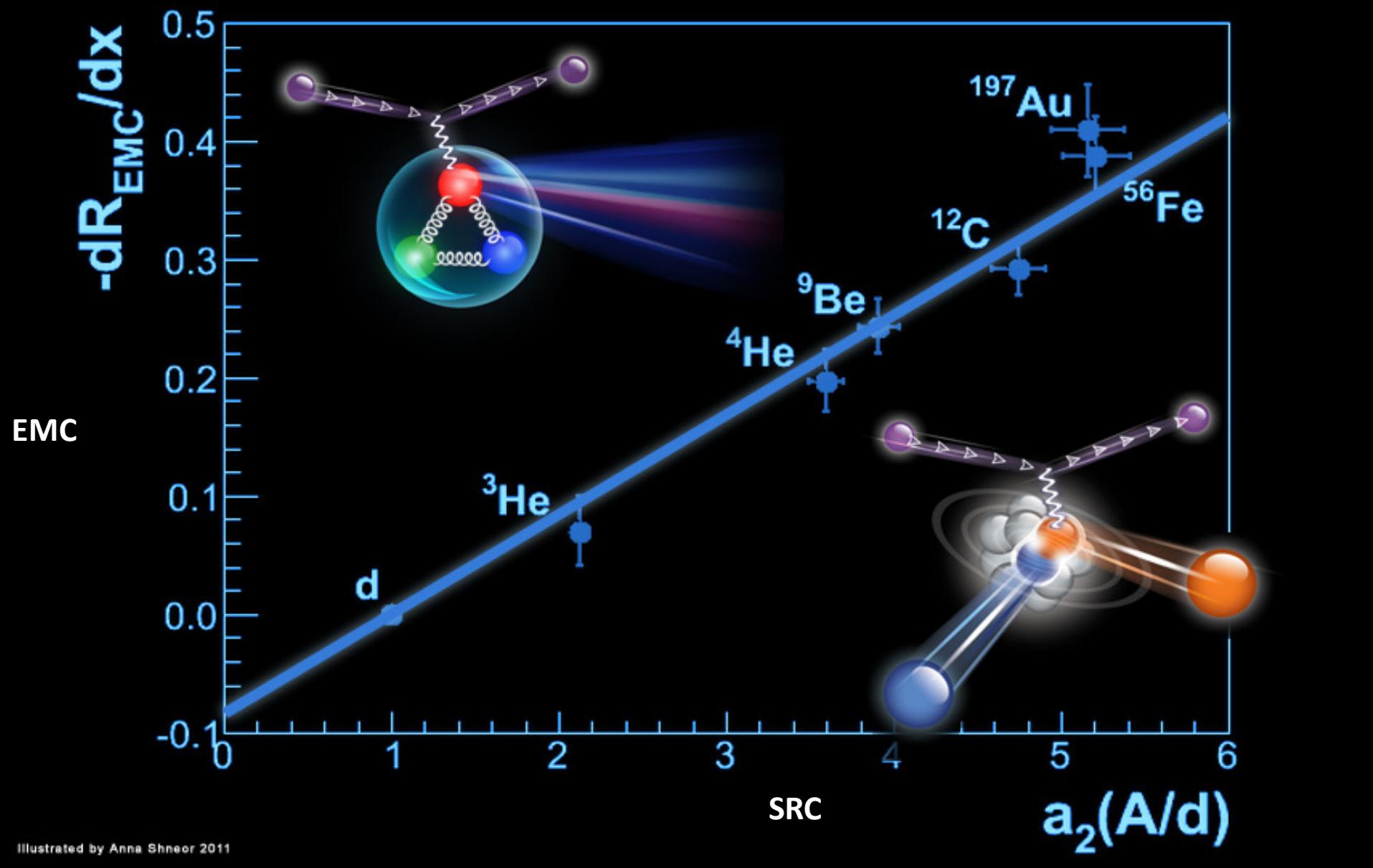
**SLAC data:**

Gomez et al., Phys. Rev. D49, 4348 (1983).  
 $Q^2=2, 5, 10, 15 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  (averaged)

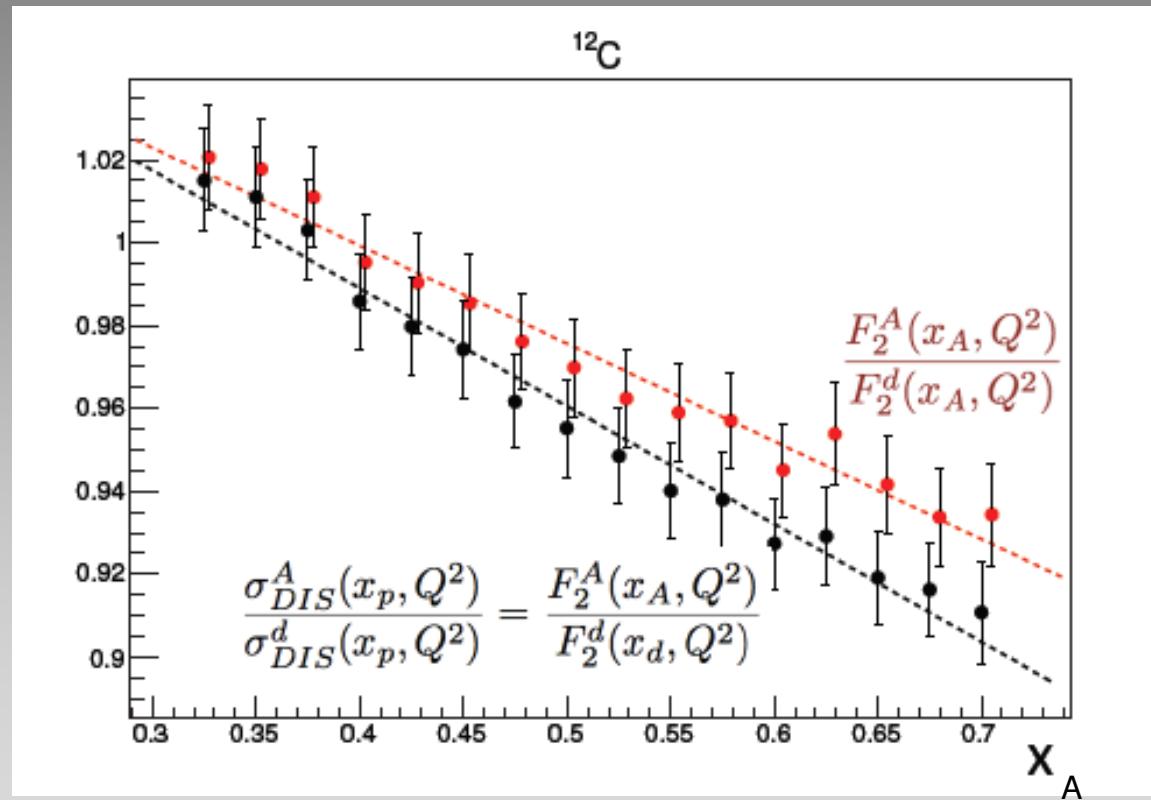
Frankfurt, Strikman, Day, Sargsyan,  
 Phys. Rev. C48 (1993) 2451.

$Q^2=2.3 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



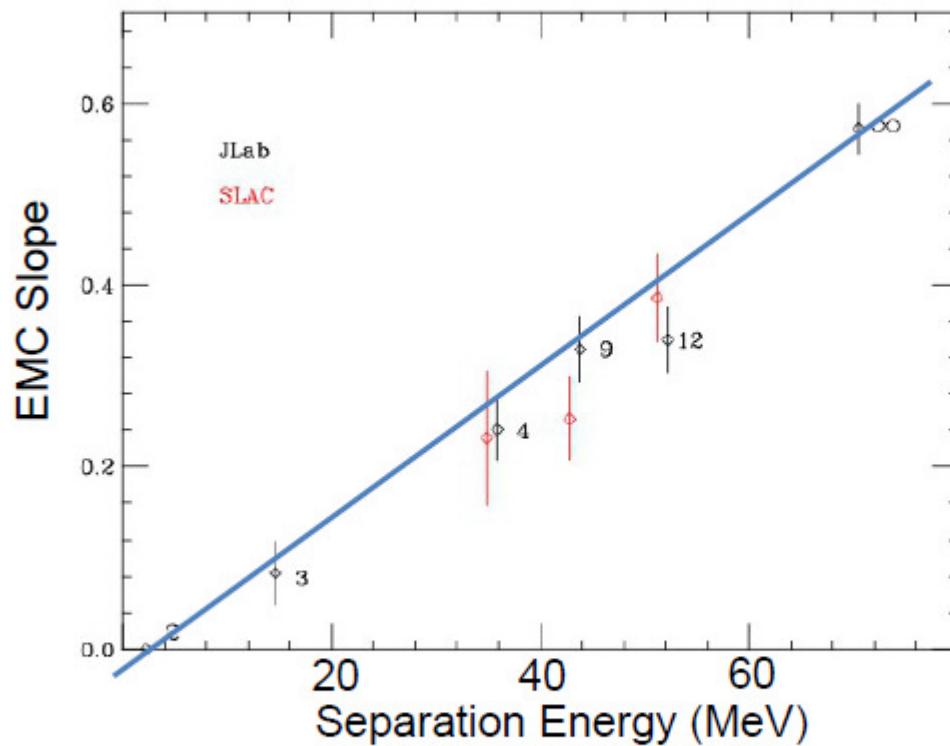


$$x_A = \frac{Q^2}{2q \cdot P_A/A} = \frac{AQ^2}{2\omega m_A} = x_p \cdot \frac{Am_p}{m_A}$$



**The EMC Effect and High Momentum Nucleons in Nuclei,** [O. Hen](#), [D. W. Higinbotham](#), [G. A. Miller](#), [E. Piasetzky](#), [L. B. Weinstein](#), arXiv:1304.2813 [nucl-th]

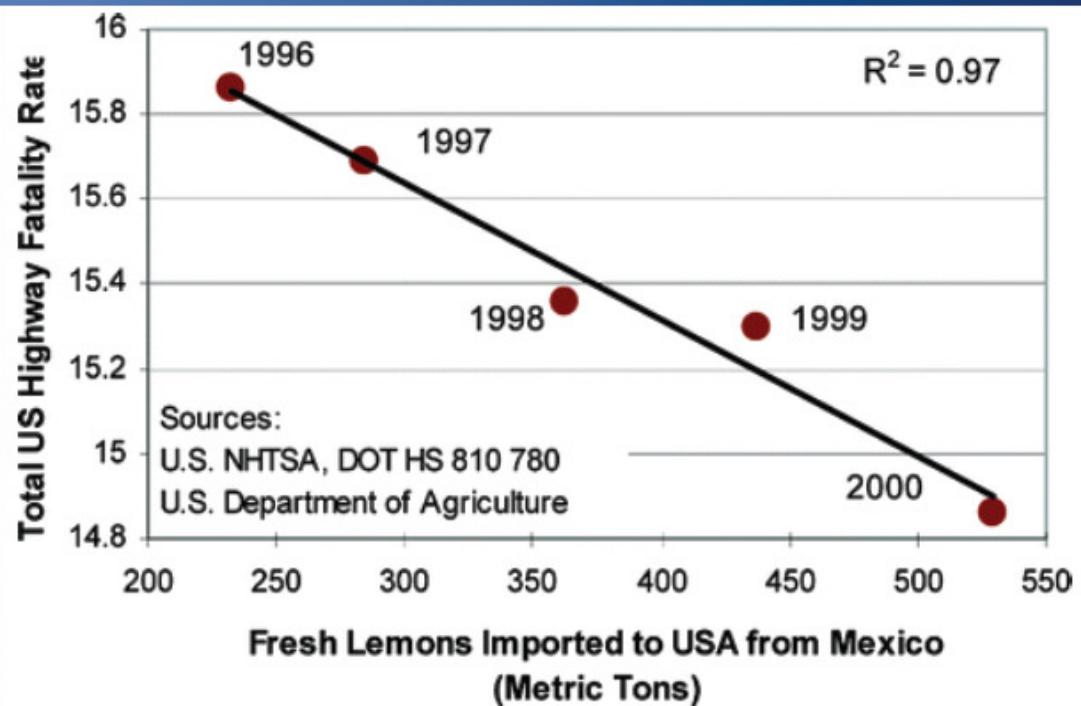
# EMC and Separation Energy



Benhar and Sick,  
ArXiv 1207:4595

$$\bar{E} = \bar{T} \frac{A-2}{A-1} - 2 \frac{E_0}{A}$$

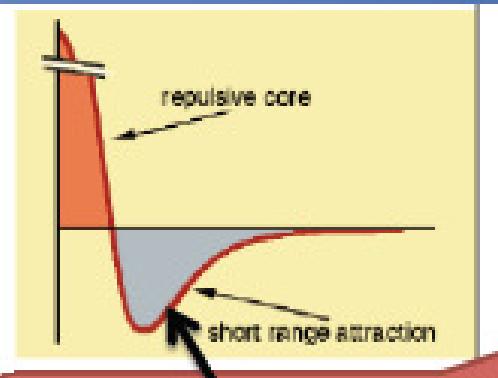
- Average kinetic energy calculated using GFMC wave functions is much larger than previous calculations and/or ( $e, e'p$ ) measurements.
- Not bad, but since the average separation energy is just proportional to the average nucleon virtuality.



## Mexican Lemonade Saves Lives!



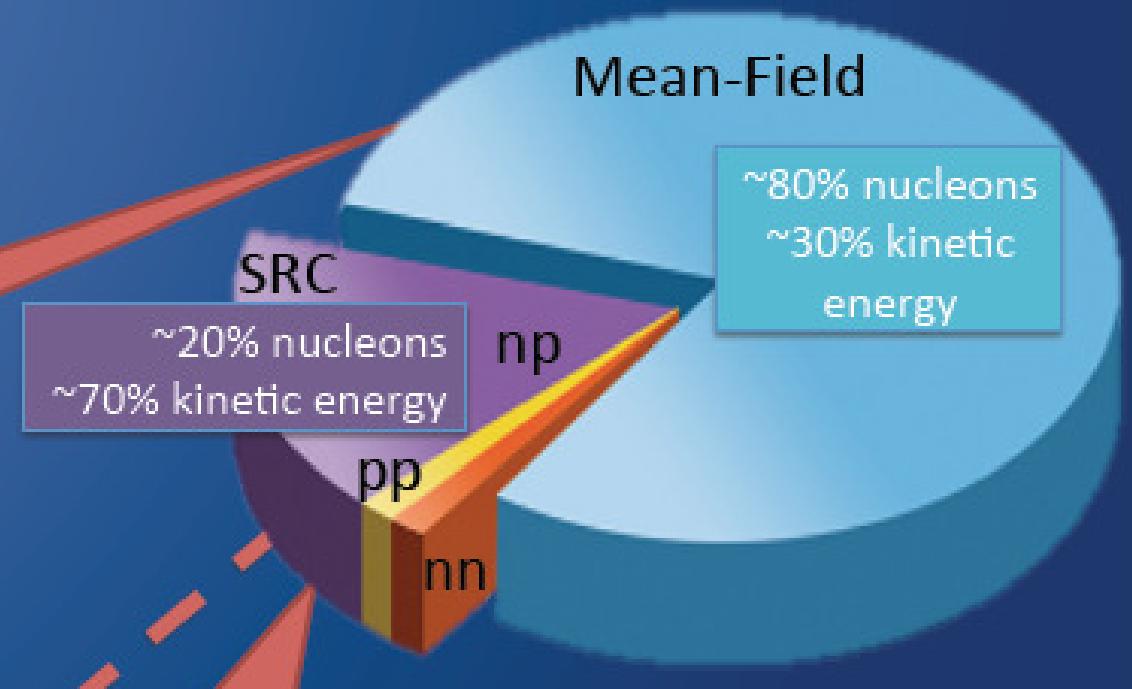
# Where is the EMC Effect?



Largest attractive force

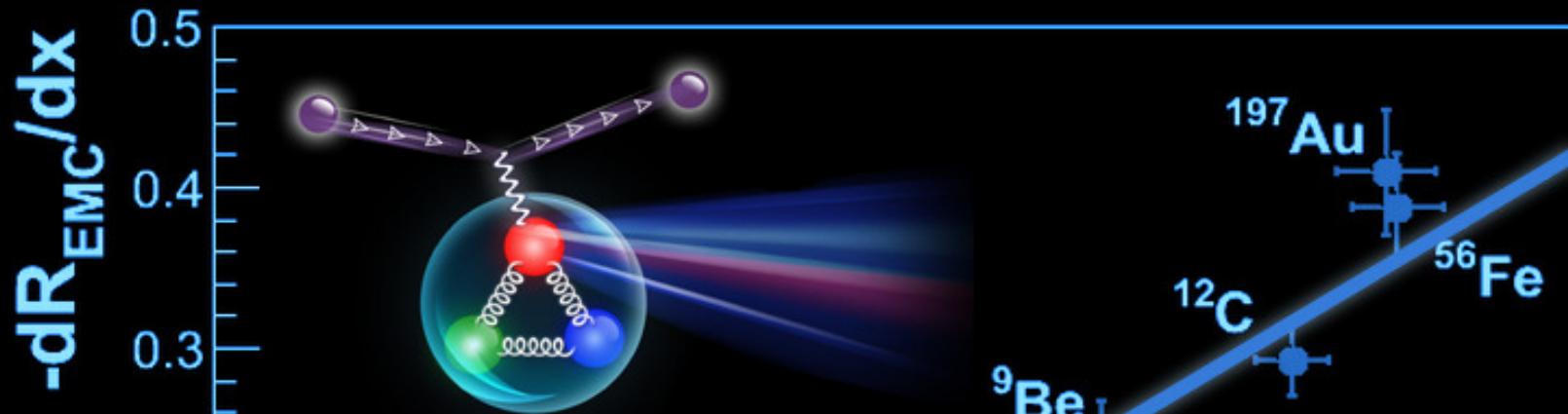
Mean-Field

High local nuclear matter density, large momentum, large off shell, large virtuality

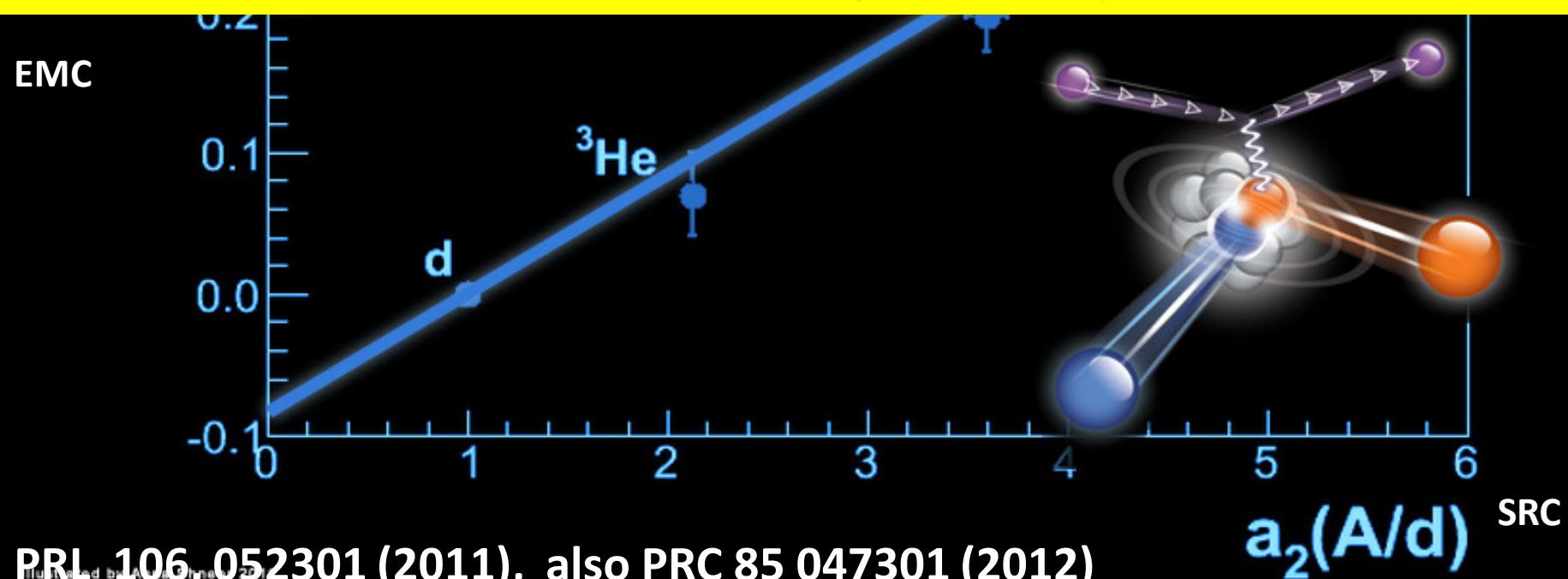


SRC

$$v = p^2 - m^2$$



the EMC effect is associated with large virtuality ( $v = p^2 - m^2$ )



# Convolution Model



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$$\frac{1}{A} F_2^A(x_A, Q^2) = \int_0^A \alpha \rho_A(\alpha) F_2^N(x_A/\alpha, Q^2) d\alpha,$$

Frankfurt and Strikman  
PL B183 (1987) 254.

$$n_A(k) = n_A^{(0)}(k) + n_A^{(1)}(k),$$

Mean-Field  
Part

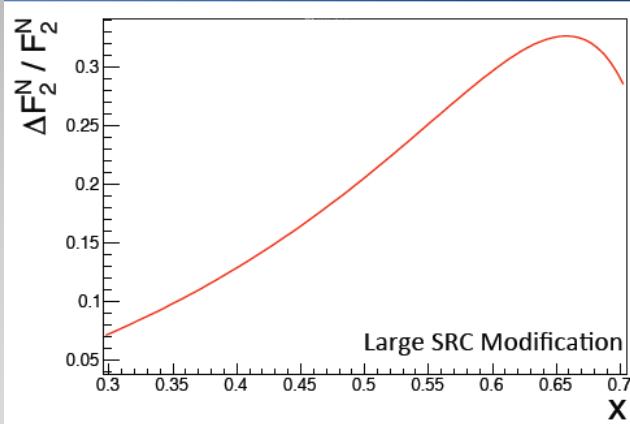
Correlated  
Part

$$F_2^N(x_A)$$

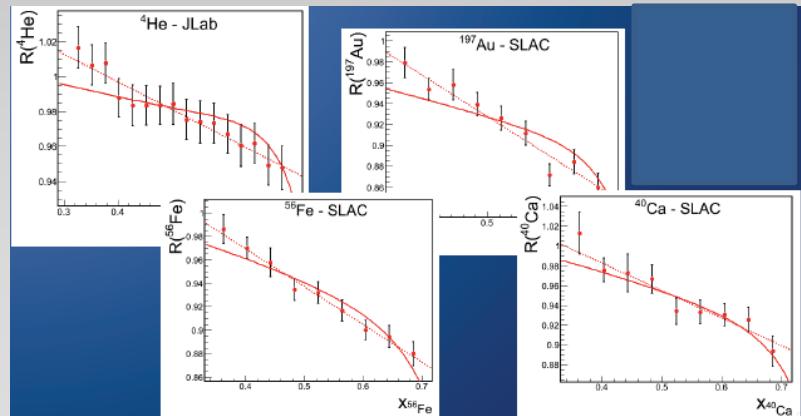
$$\tilde{F}_2^N(x_A)$$

Ciofi and Simula PRC 53 (1996) 1689.

$$\Delta F_2^N(x_A) = \tilde{F}_2^N(x_A) - F_2^N(x_A).$$



Assuming  $\Delta F$  is a second order polynomial in  $x$   
and fitting it to the EMC data



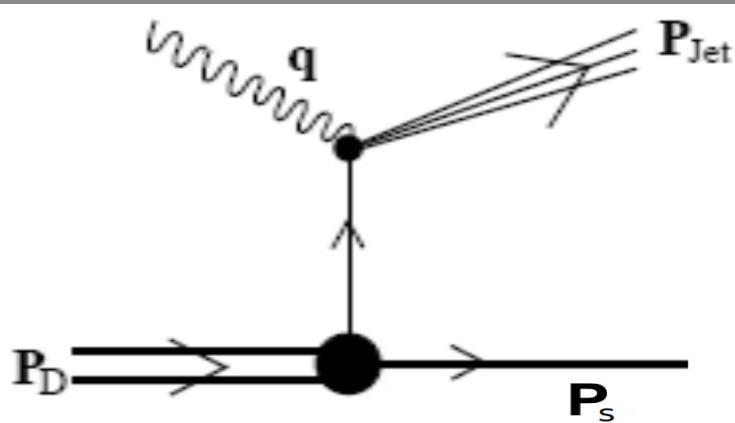
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Hypothesis can be checked by measuring DIS off Deuteron tagged with high momentum recoil nucleon



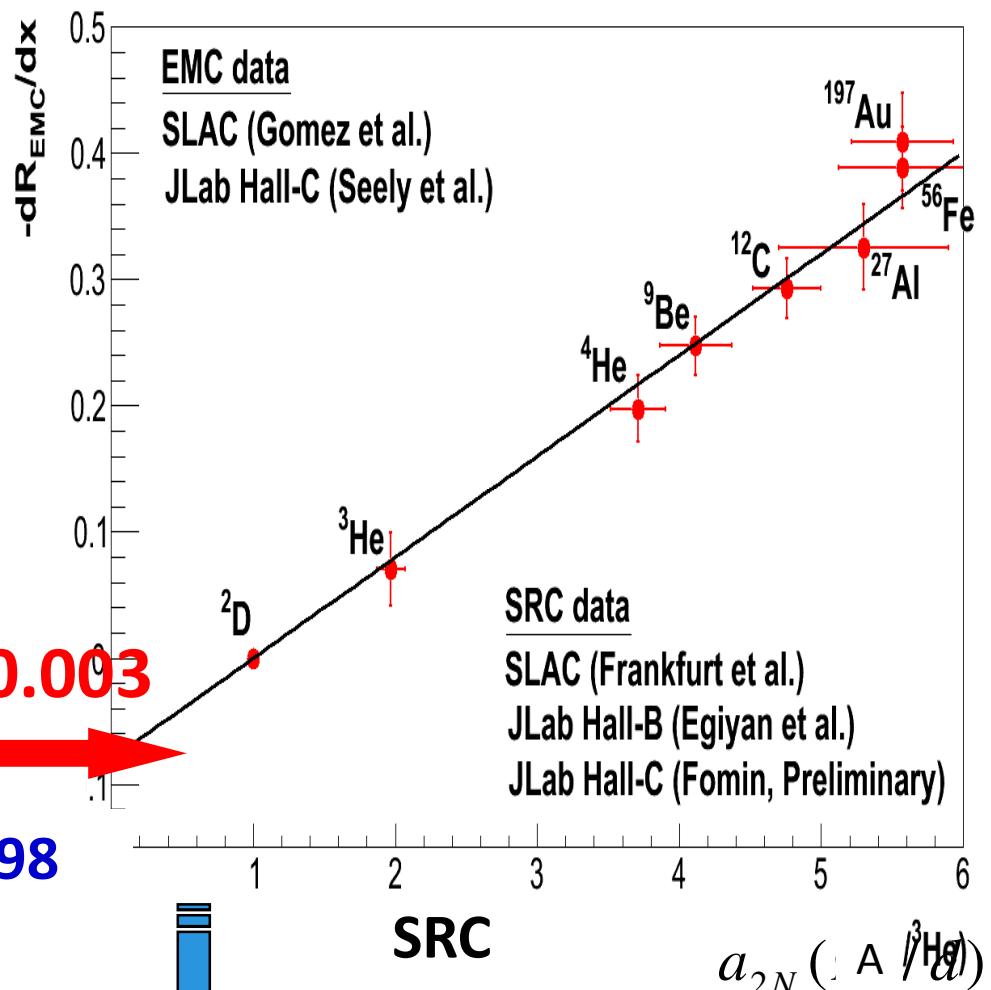
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# large effect



$$\frac{\sigma_d}{\sigma_p + \sigma_n} =$$

$$1 - (0.070 \pm 0.003)(0.6 - 0.34 \pm 0.02) \approx \textcolor{red}{0.98}$$

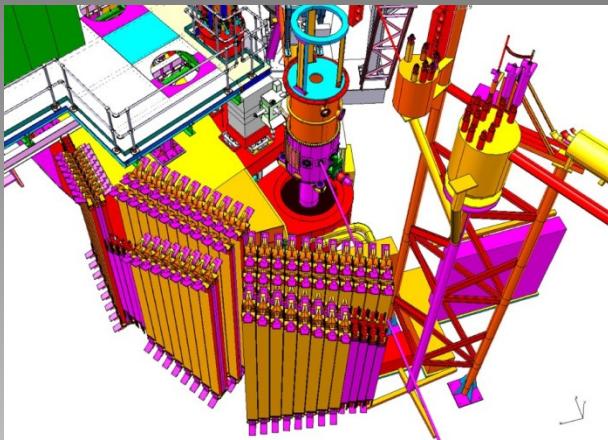


$$\frac{\sigma_p^*}{\sigma_p} \approx \frac{\sigma_n^*}{\sigma_n} \approx \frac{2-4\%}{5-10\%} \approx 30-50\%$$

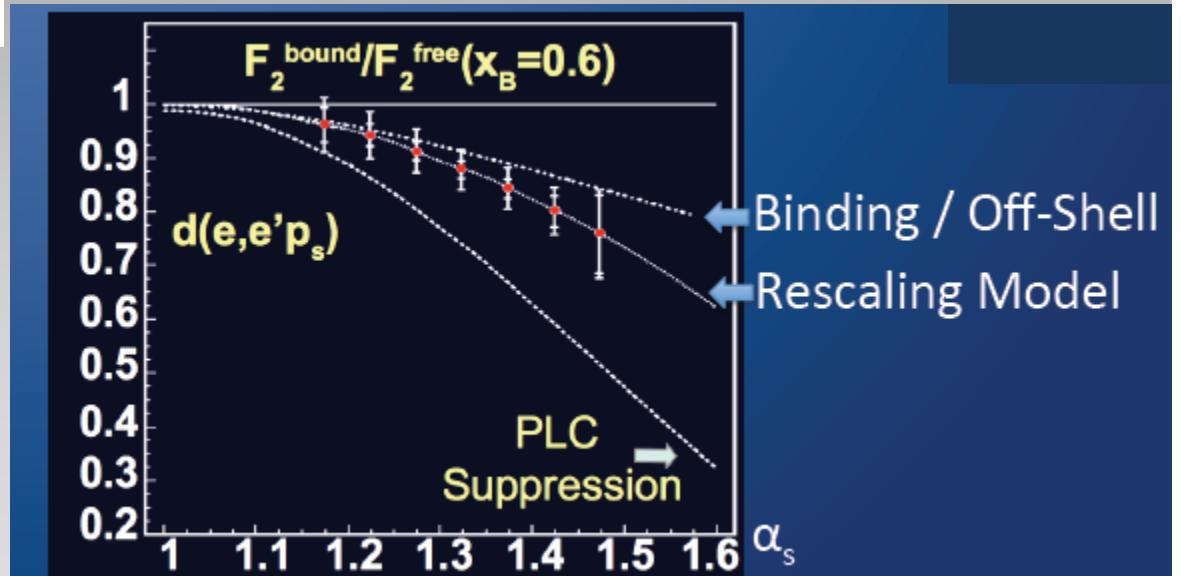
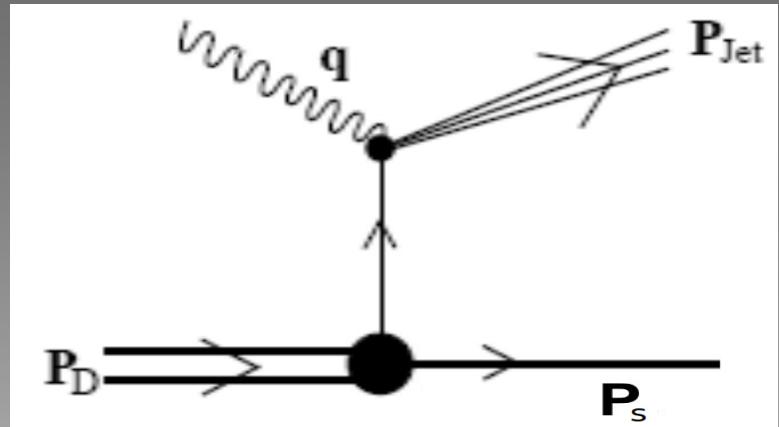
## SRC=0 free nucleons

## 1. Spectator Tagging:

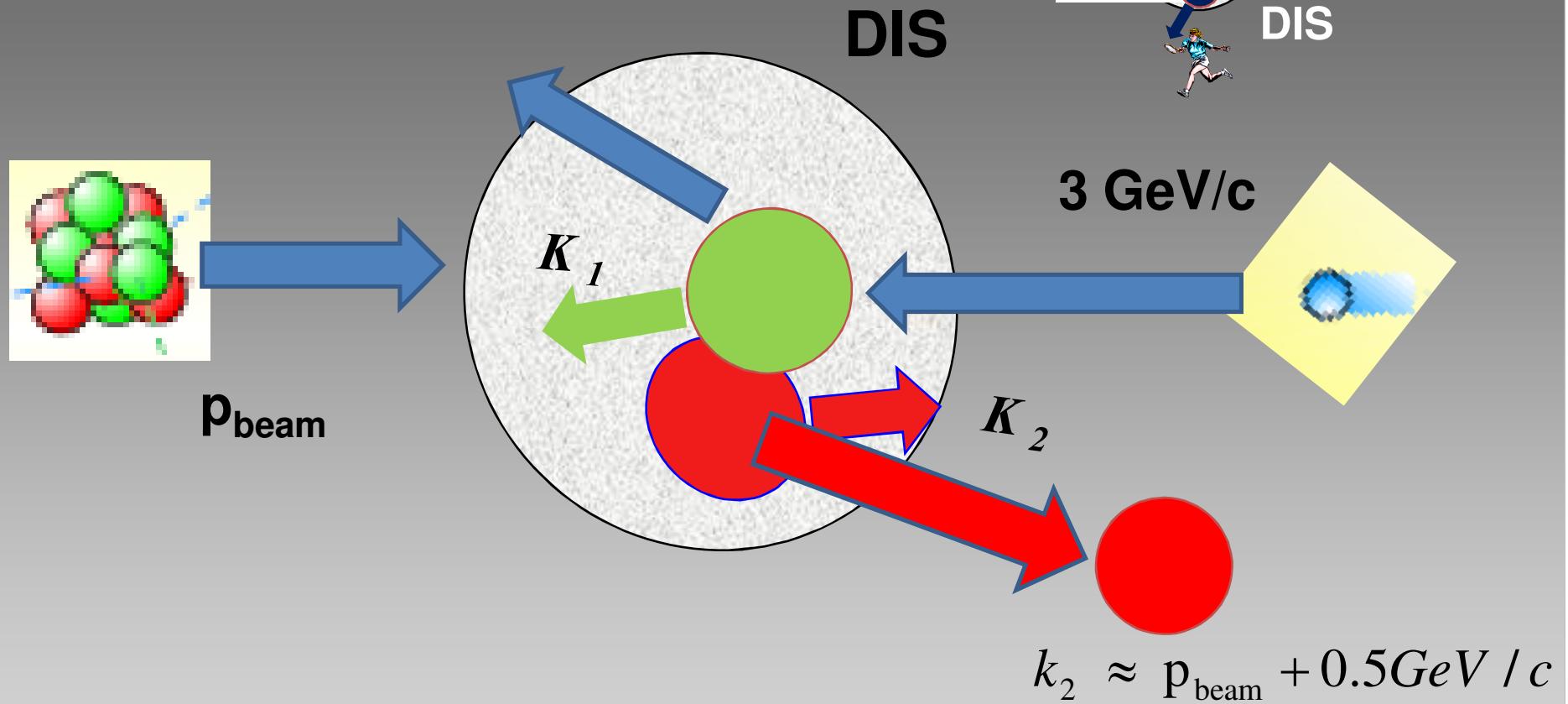
→ Selects DIS off high momentum  
(high virtuality) nucleons



133 scintillators  
22cm X 5cm X 2-4m  
80°-180°@4m from target



can also be study with EIC



**Study the EMC effect on SRC pair as  
a function of the virtuality**

**Tagged DIS with recoil nucleon with  $p > p_{\text{beam}}$**

# Deuteron is not a free np pair

$$\sigma_d \neq$$

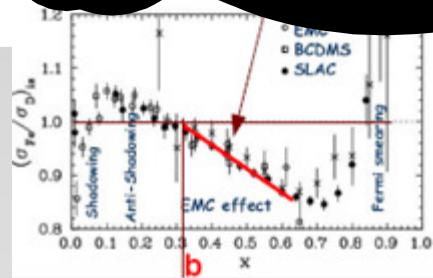
Conclusions:

(ratio to deuterium)  $\rightarrow$   
IMC- In-Medium Correction

ratio to free (unbound) pn pair)

One should not neglect the IMC effect using deuteron and proton data to extract free neutron properties

$$1 - (0.$$



SRC

$a_{2N}(\cdot, A/d)$

SRC=0 free nucleons

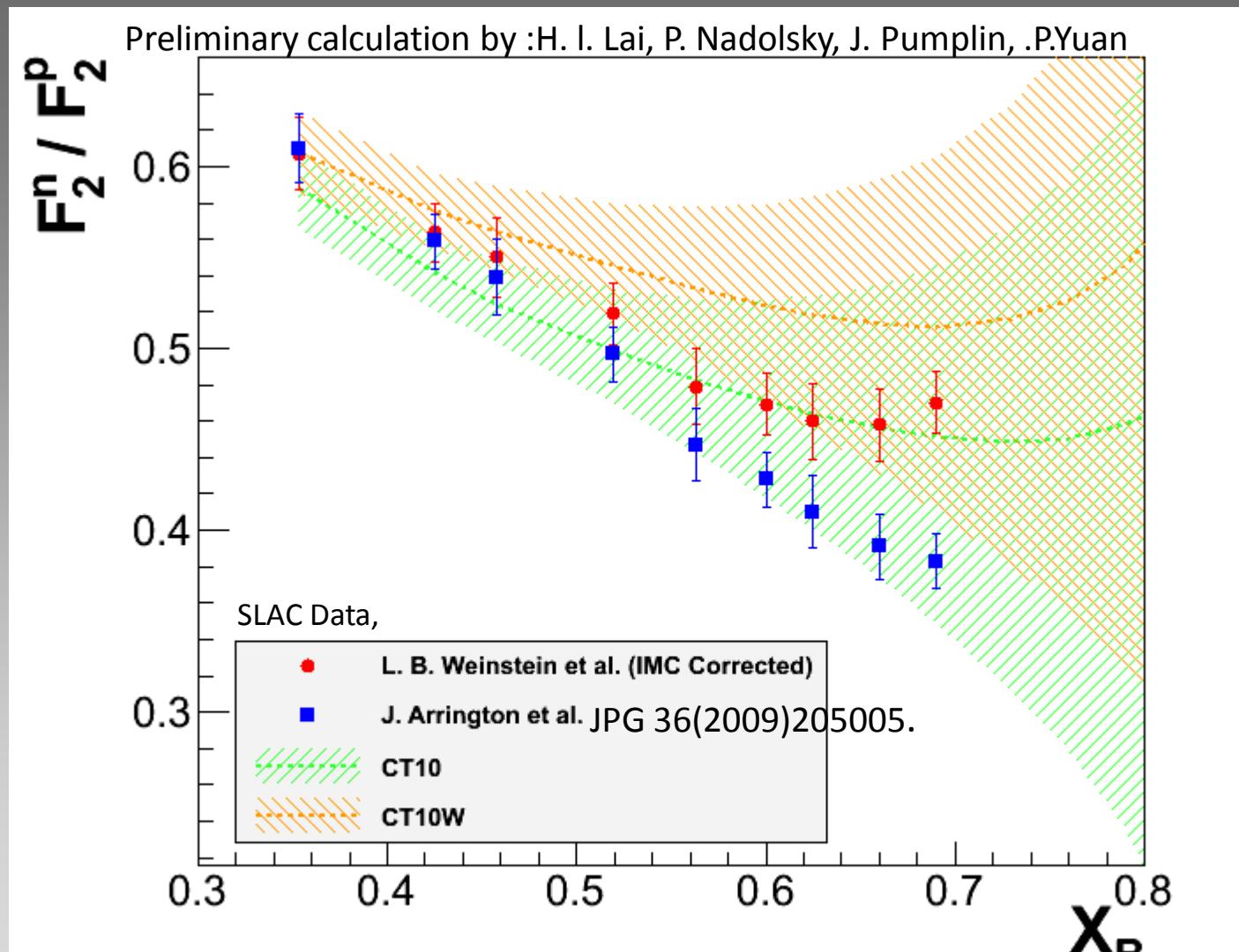


data

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JLab Hall-B  
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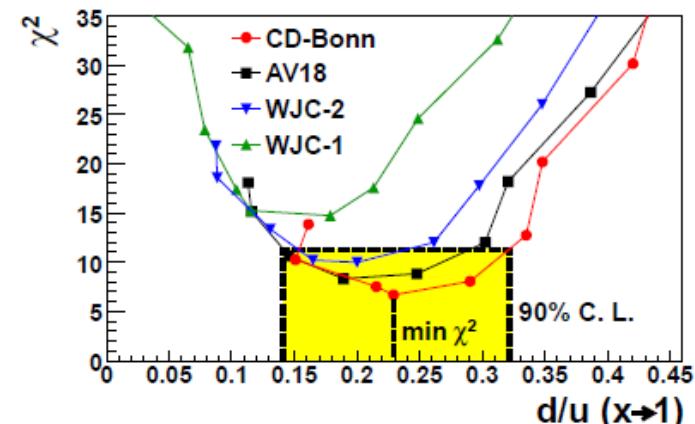
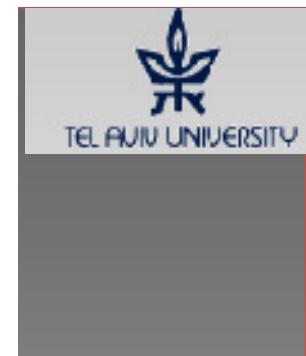
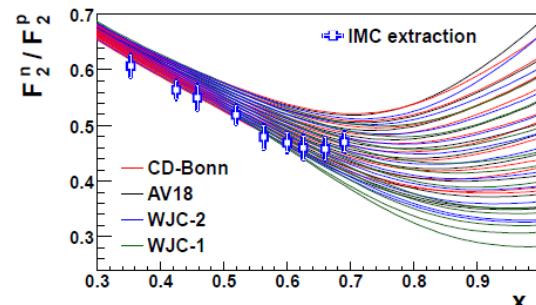
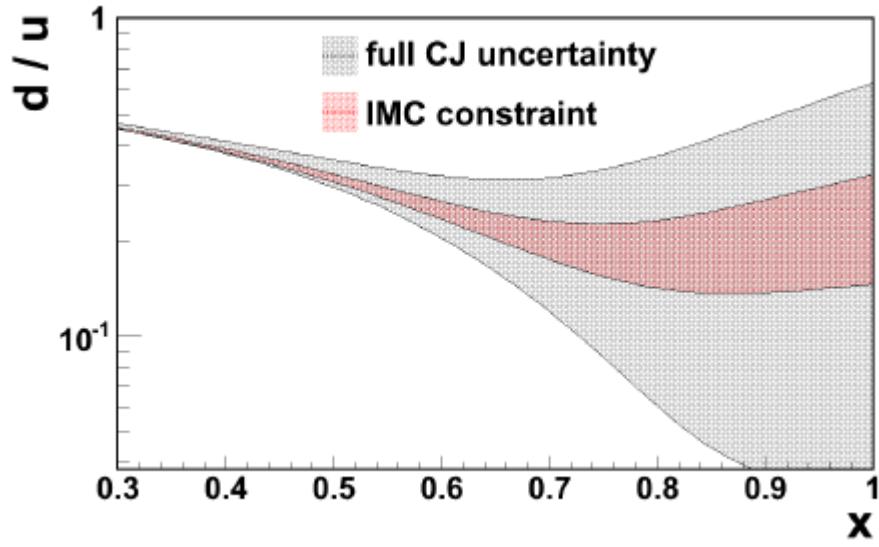
# The **free** neutron structure function

Compared to CTEQ calculations



CT10W W asymmetry and W-lepton asymmetry data

# INC constrained d/u $x \rightarrow 1$ ratio



The IMC (at a 90% C.L.):

$$d/u \rightarrow 0.23 \pm 0.09$$

Excludes models based on

- SU(6) symmetry
- Scalar di-quark dominance

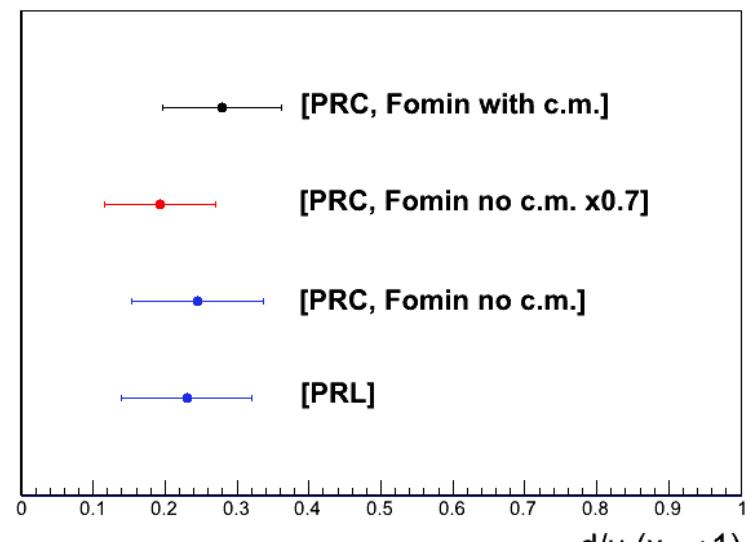
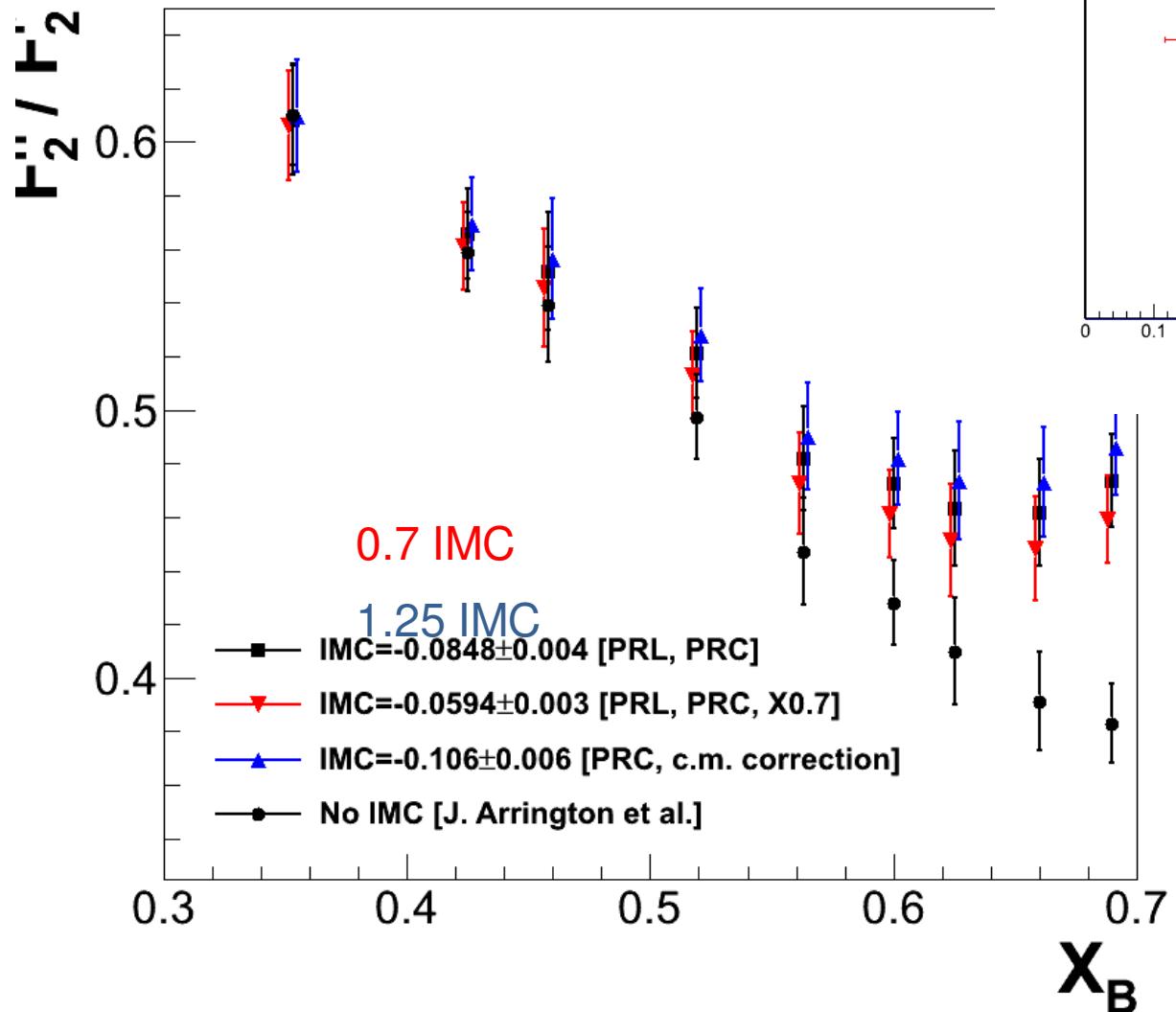
Nucleon Model	$F_2^n/F_2^p$	d/u
SU(6)	2/3	1/2
Scalar diquark	1/4	0
pQCD (p↑ q↑)	3/7	1/5

Constraints on the large- $x$  d/u ratio from electron-nucleus scattering at  $x > 1$

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Phys. Rev. D84 117501 (2011).

# Robustness



7	$3.60 \pm 0.10$	$3.3 \pm 0.5$
7	$3.91 \pm 0.12$	$-0.243 \pm 0.023$
1	$4.75 \pm 0.16$	$5.0 \pm 0.5$
3	$5.21 \pm 0.20$	$5.2 \pm 0.9$
1	$5.16 \pm 0.22$	$4.8 \pm 0.7$
06	$0.084 \pm 0.004$	
06	$1.034 \pm 0.004$	
	$4.895/5$	

ed primarily from the calculated ratio of the  
ld ( $p_{thresh} = 0.275 \pm 0.025$  GeV/c).  
s at different kinematics. They interpolated  
measured for heavier nuclei and have larger  
cluded here for completeness.

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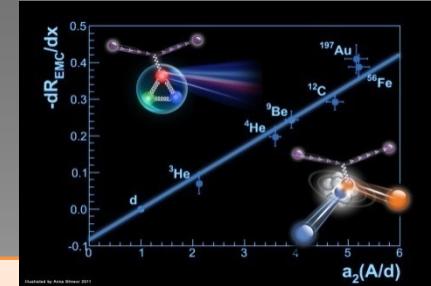
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## Summary

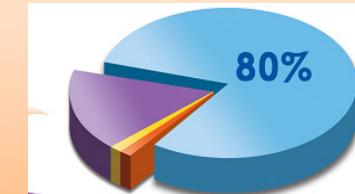


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SRC and EMC are linearly correlated.

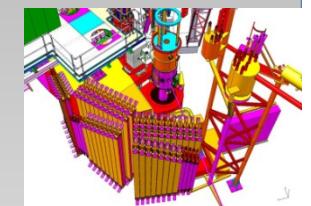


We suggest that this correlation occurs because both phenomena are related to high-momentum (large virtuality) nucleons.

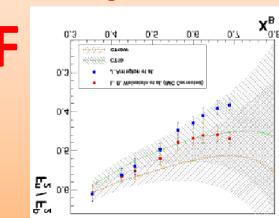
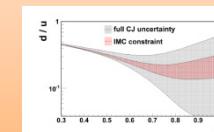


Can be verify by measuring DIS tagged by a high momentum recoil spectator.

An approved experiment at 12 GeV JLab. / EIC possibility



Based on the EMC/SRC correlation, we claim an 'EMC like' (IMC) effect also in deuteron, which impacts extraction of free neutron SF and proton d/u ratio at large x.



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