

# Nuclear $p_t$ -broadening at HERMES

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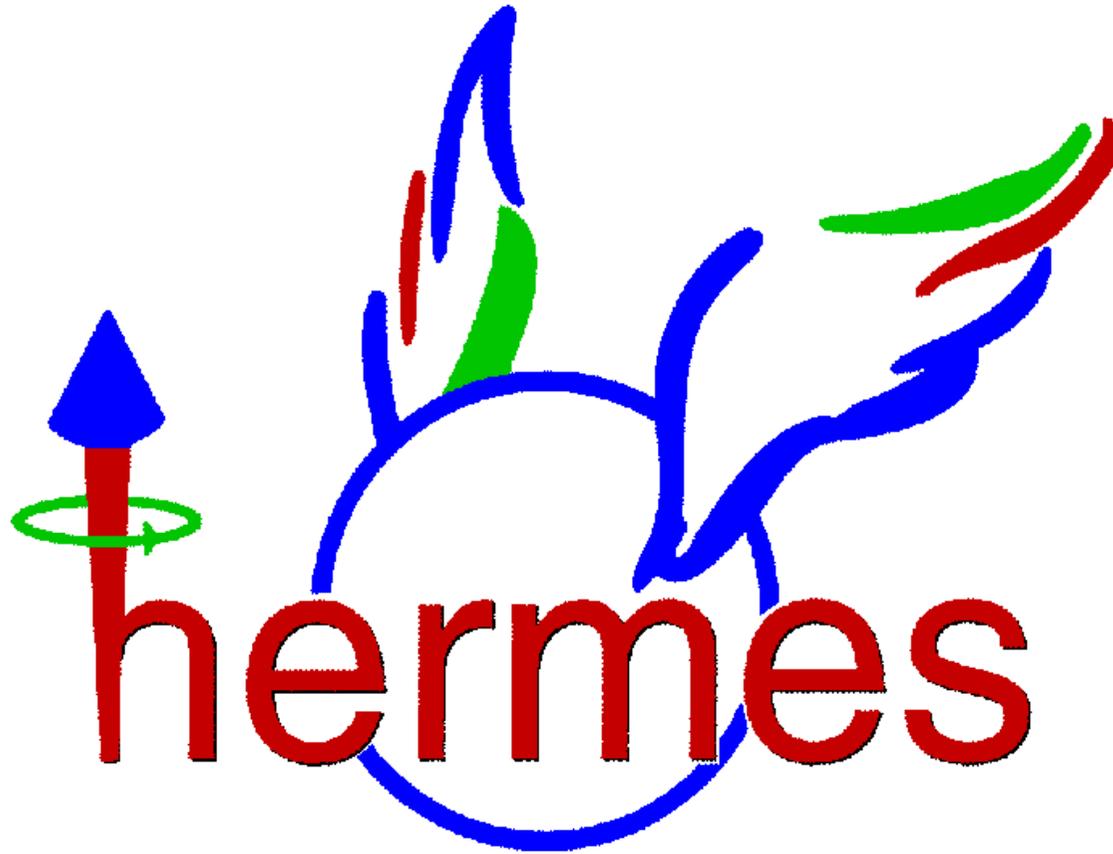
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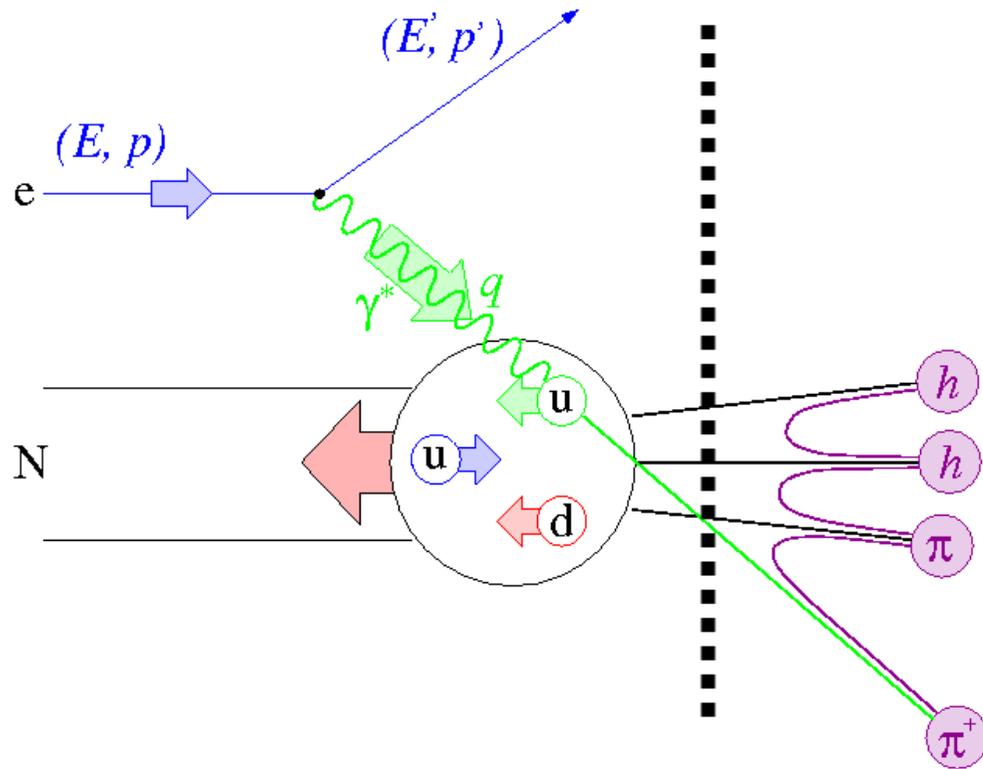
# Outline

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- Nuclear  $p_t$ -broadening
  - ⇒ (nuclear) SIDIS
  - ⇒ Nuclear  $p_t$ -broadening
  - ⇒ HERMES spectrometer
  - ⇒ Results

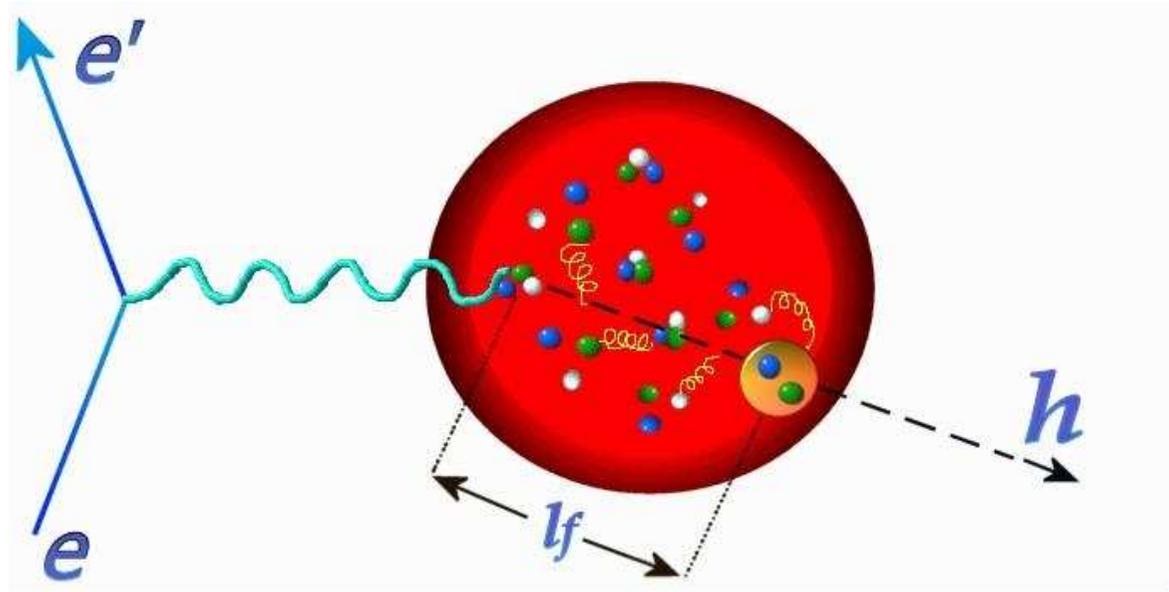
# Semi Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering (SIDIS)



- $e^\pm + N \rightarrow e^\pm + h + X$
- $q^2 = -Q^2$ : squared 4-momentum transfer
- $\nu = E_{\gamma^*} = E - E'$  (target rest frame)
- $W^2 = (N + q)^2$ : squared invariant mass  $\gamma^* N$
- $x_{bj} = \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu}$
- $z = \frac{E_h}{\nu}$
- $p_t$ : transverse  $p$  of hadron to  $\gamma^*$

$$d\sigma \propto \sum_f e_f^2 \cdot q_f(x_{bj}, Q^2) \cdot \sigma \cdot D_f^h(z, Q^2)$$

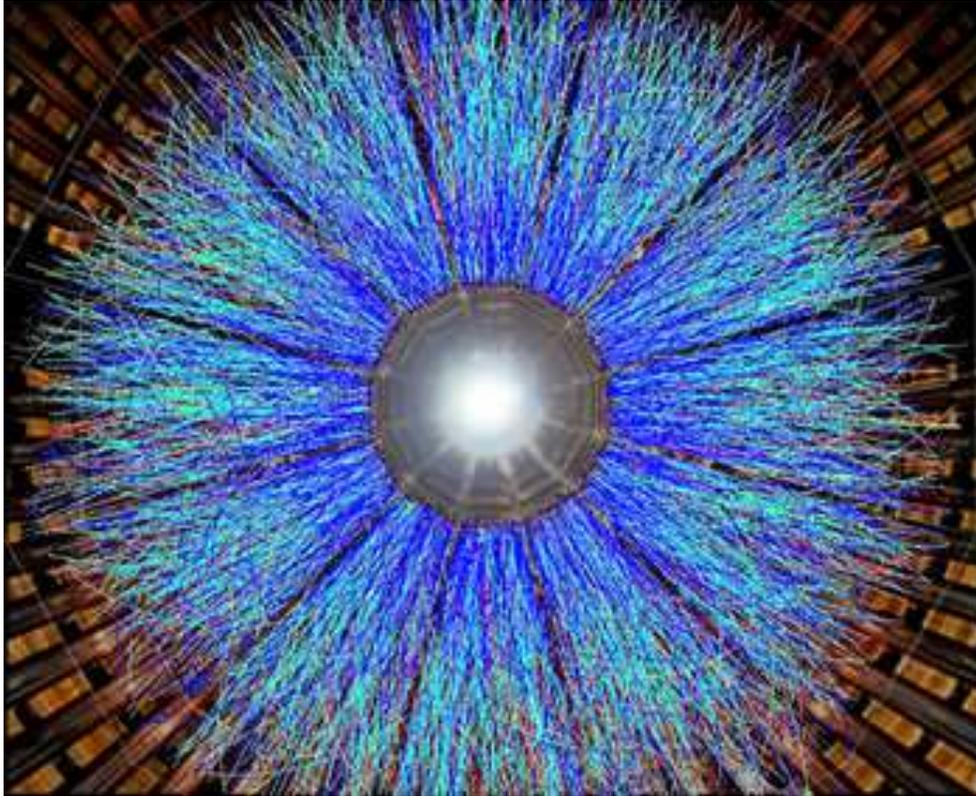
# Nuclear SIDIS as hadronization laboratory



- Hadronization likely inside nucleus
- Nano lab to **study hadronization**
  - ⇒ Multiple scattering centers (1-2 fm)
- Nuclear effects like:
  - ⇒ EMC effect:  $\frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_N}(x_{bj}) \neq 1$
  - ⇒ Nuclear attenuation:  $\frac{\frac{\#had}{\#DIS_A}}{\frac{\#had}{\#DIS_D}} \neq 1$
  - ⇒  **$p_t$ -broadening**

## Why nuclear SIDIS?

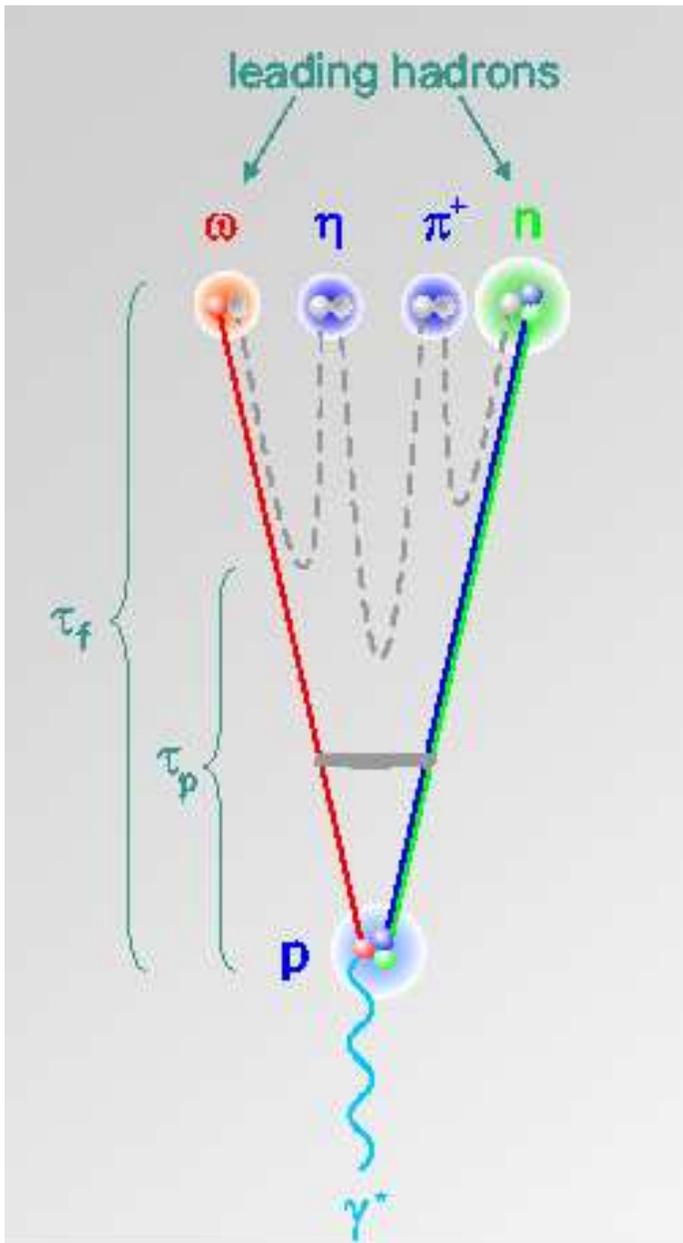
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Gold-gold collision at RHIC  
~ 6000 tracks

- No Initial State Interactions  
⇒ Relatively clean
- At HERMES no jets  
→  $\langle 1 \text{ event} \rangle$ : 3.5 tracks
- Helps understanding ion-ion collisions

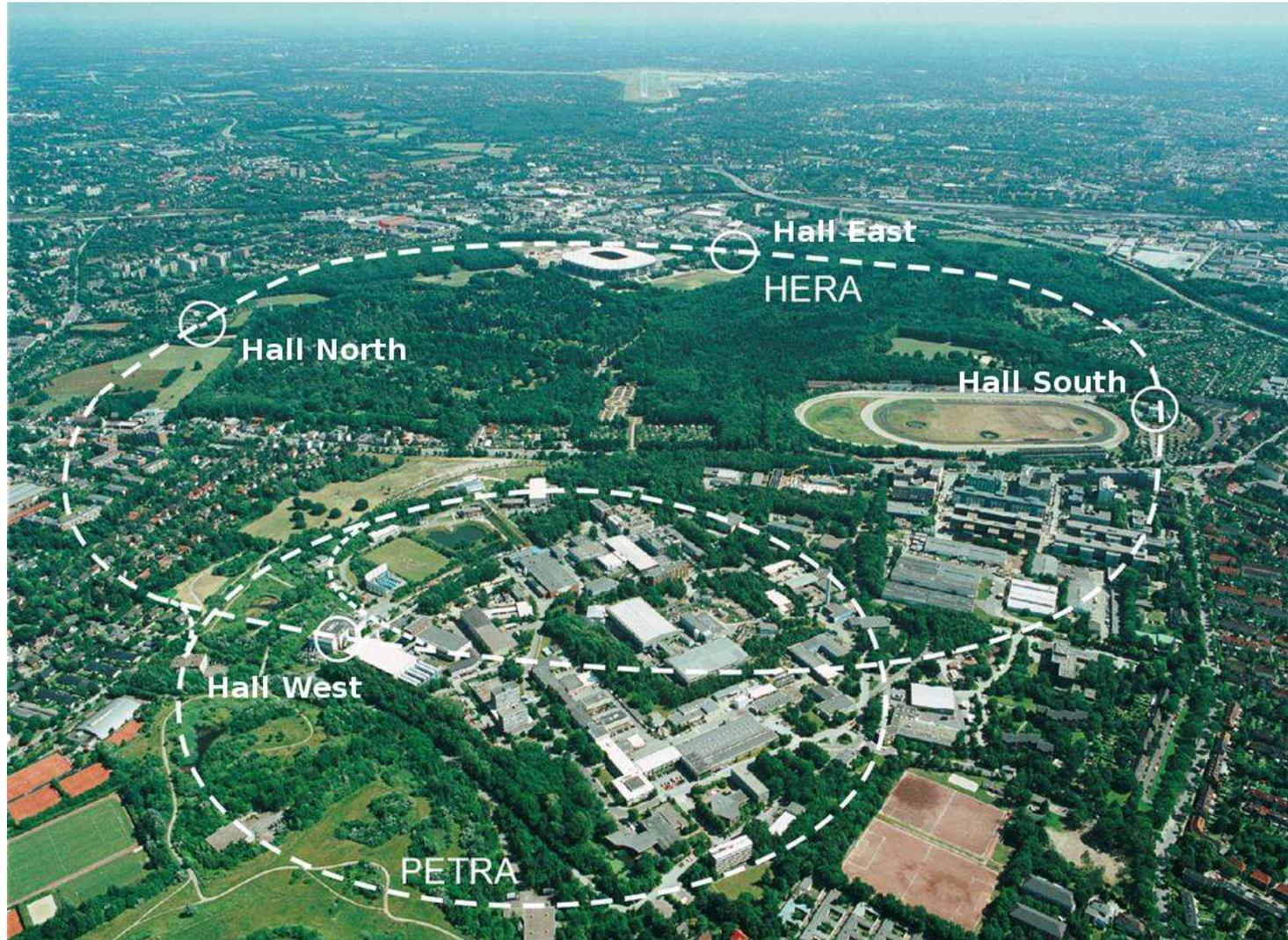
# $\Delta \langle p_t^2 \rangle^h$ and production time/length

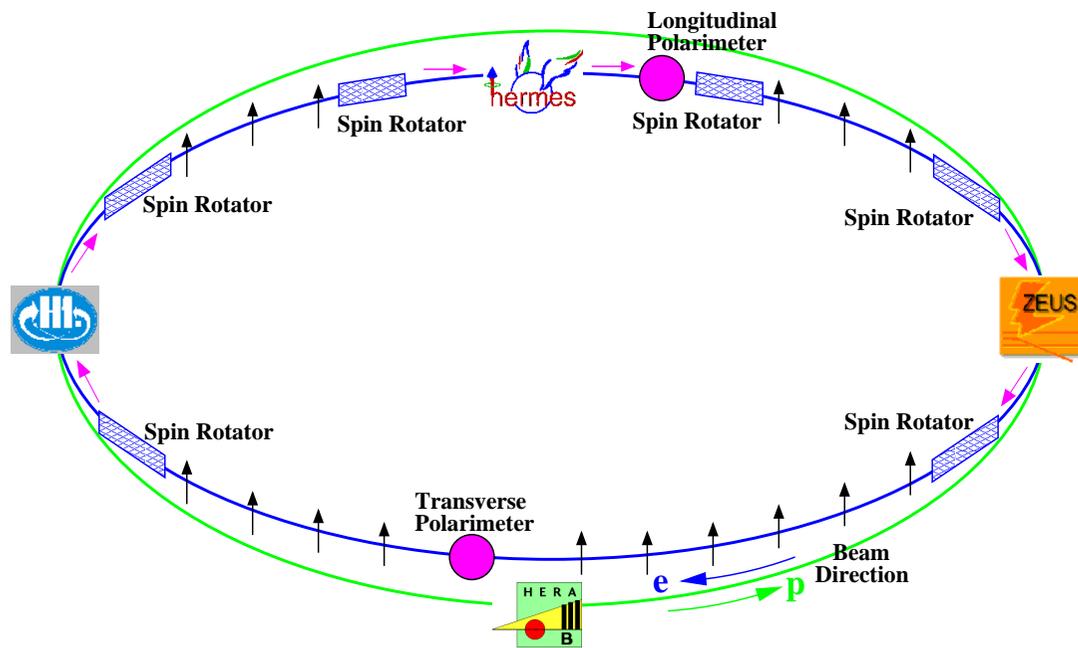


- $\Delta \langle p_t^2 \rangle^h = \langle p_t^2 \rangle_A^h - \langle p_t^2 \rangle_D^h$ 
  - $\Rightarrow$  Called  $p_t$ -broadening
  - $\Rightarrow$  Measure production time ( $t_p$ )
    - \* Space-time evolution of hadronization
- $\Delta \langle p_t^2 \rangle \sim t_p$  *Nucl. Phys. A740, 211*
  - $\Rightarrow t > t_p$  no broadening occurs
    - \* Inelastic scattering suppressed (fast hadrons)
    - \*  $\sigma_{elastic}$  very small
      - Pions mfp  $> 20$  fm

# HERMES spectrometer to measure $p_t$ -broadening

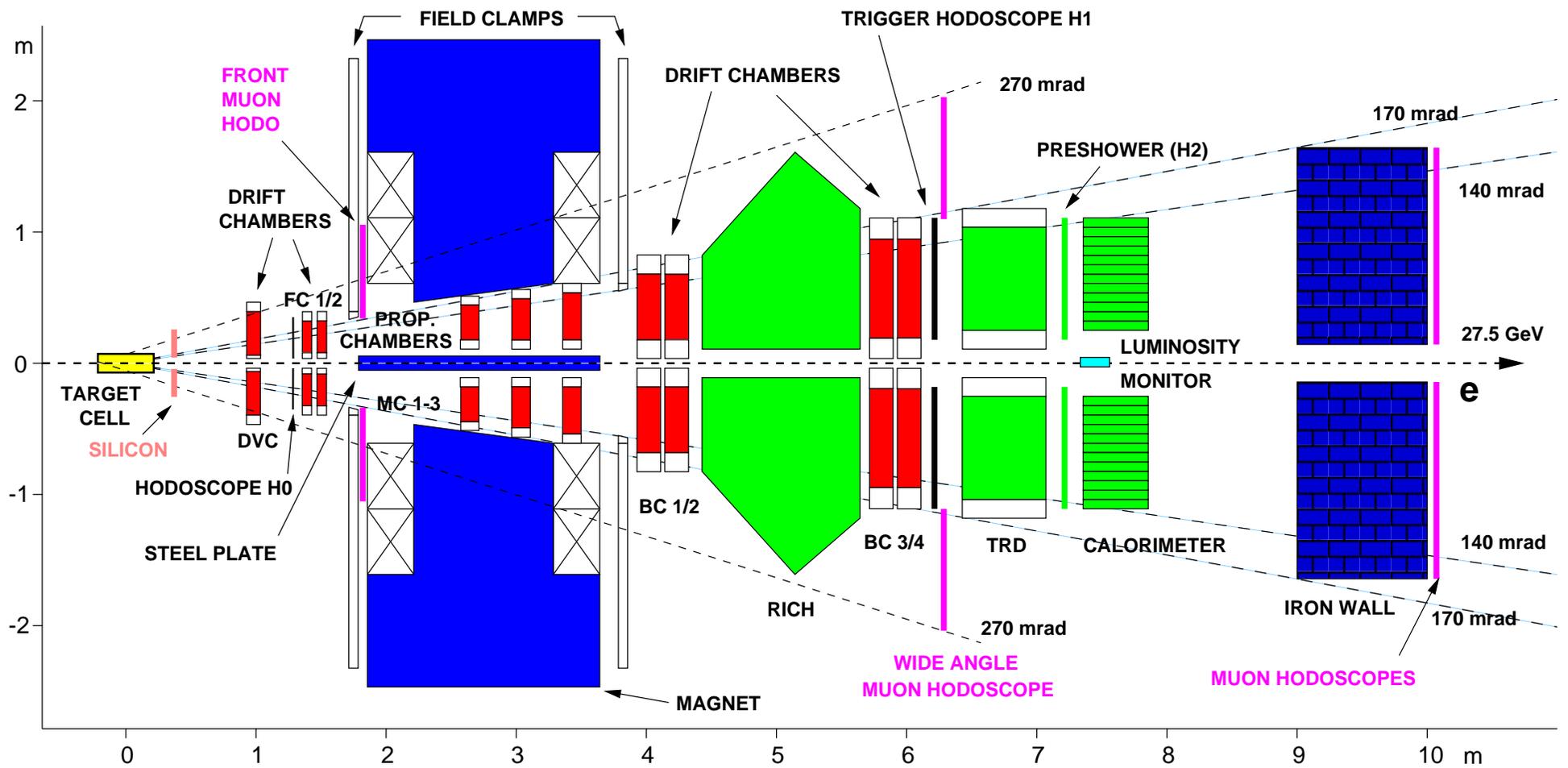
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- HERA storage ring:
  - ⇒ 27.6 GeV/c e<sup>±</sup> beam (polarized)
    - \* (Sokolov-Ternov effect)
  - ⇒ 920 GeV/c proton beam
- HERMES: e<sup>±</sup> on “fixed” gas target
  - ⇒ H, D, <sup>3</sup>He, <sup>4</sup>He, N, Ne, Kr, Xe
- Operational till July 2, 2007, 10:00 am

# Side view of the HERMES spectrometer



Tracking

Momentum measurement

Particle identification ( $I/h > 98\%$ )

32.8 ft. long / 13.1 ft. wide

## Extract $\Delta \langle p_t^2 \rangle^h$

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- $\langle p_t^2 \rangle_{\text{D, Ne, Kr, Xe}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (p_t^2)_i$
  - $\Delta \langle p_t^2 \rangle_{\text{Ne, Kr, Xe}} = \langle p_t^2 \rangle_{\text{Ne, Kr, Xe}} - \langle p_t^2 \rangle_{\text{D}}$
- ⇒ Corrections:
- \* Acceptance/smearing
  - \* Radiative effects
  - \* Exclusive  $\rho^0$  decay  $\pi^\pm$
- As function of  $\nu$ ,  $Q^2$ ,  $z$ , and A
  - For  $\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $K^+$
  - Apply kinematic cuts

# Kinematic cuts

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- Inclusive

⇒  $1 < Q^2 < 10 \text{ GeV}^2$

\* spatial scale  $\sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{Q^2}}$

\*  $Q^2 > 1 \rightarrow$  partons

⇒  $W > 2 \text{ GeV}$

\* No resonances

⇒  $\nu < 23 \text{ GeV}$

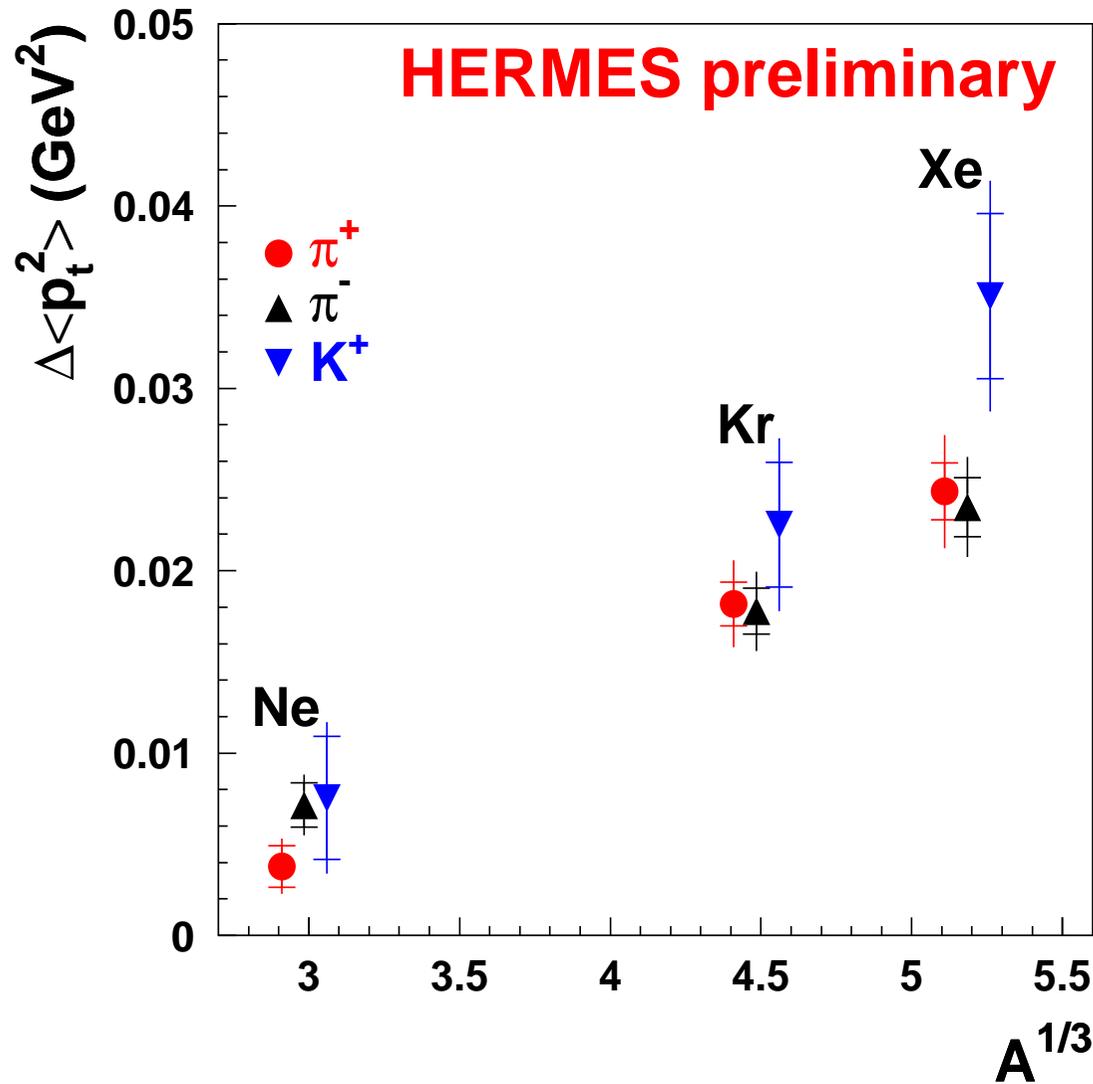
\* Radiative effects

- Semi Inclusive

⇒  $0.2 < z < 1.0$

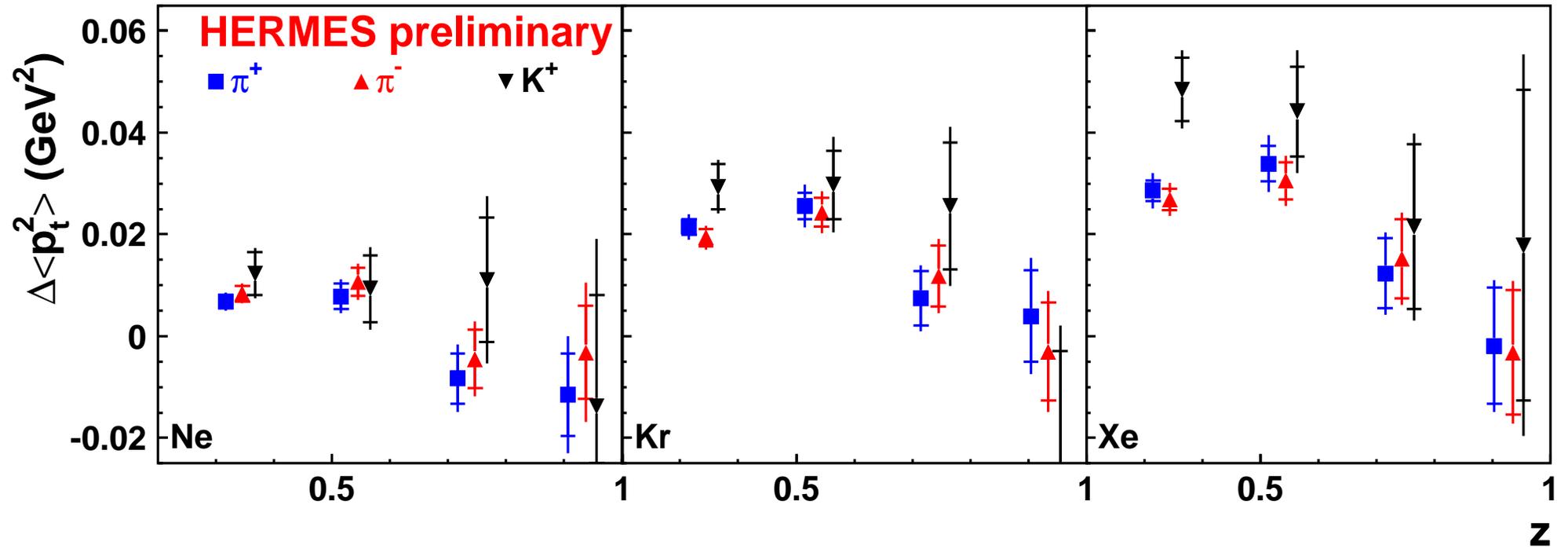
⇒  $2 < p^{\pi, K} < 15 \text{ GeV}$

# Results: A-dependence



- Linear vs  $A^{1/3}$
- $\langle p_t^2 \rangle$  around 0.25 GeV<sup>2</sup>  
large effect
- Direct evidence of  $p_t^-$  broadening in leptonproduction

# Results: $z$ -dependence

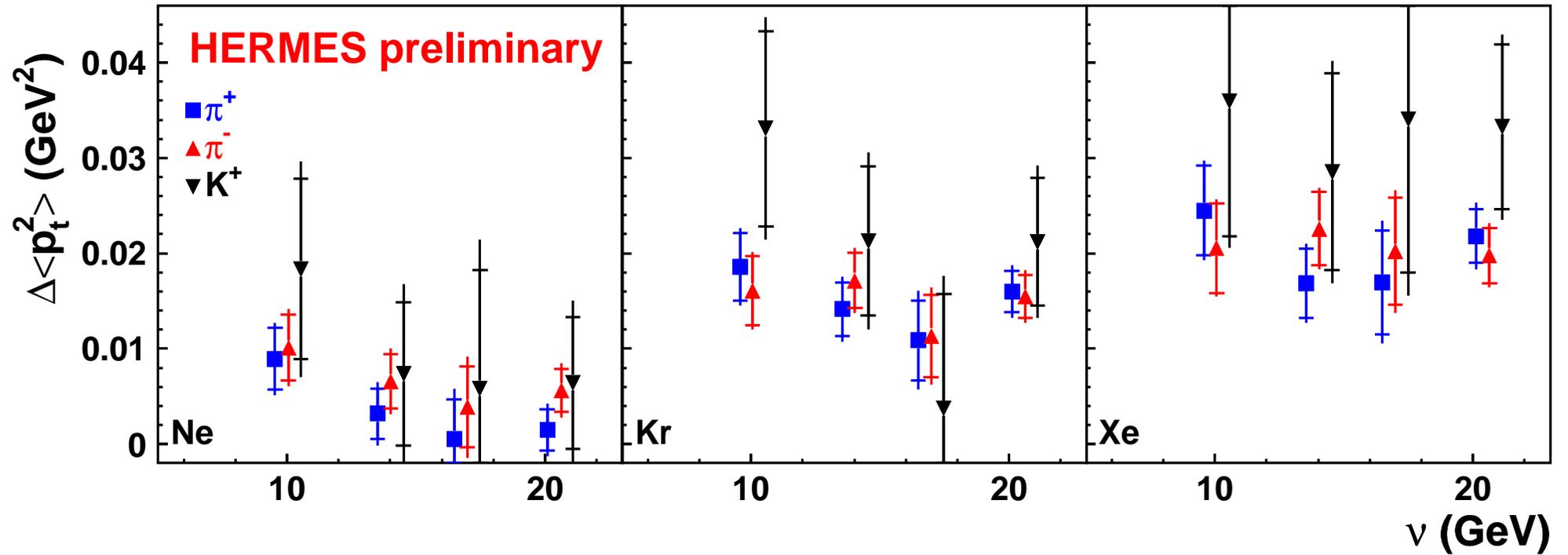


- Clear A-dependence

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{E_h}{\nu}$$

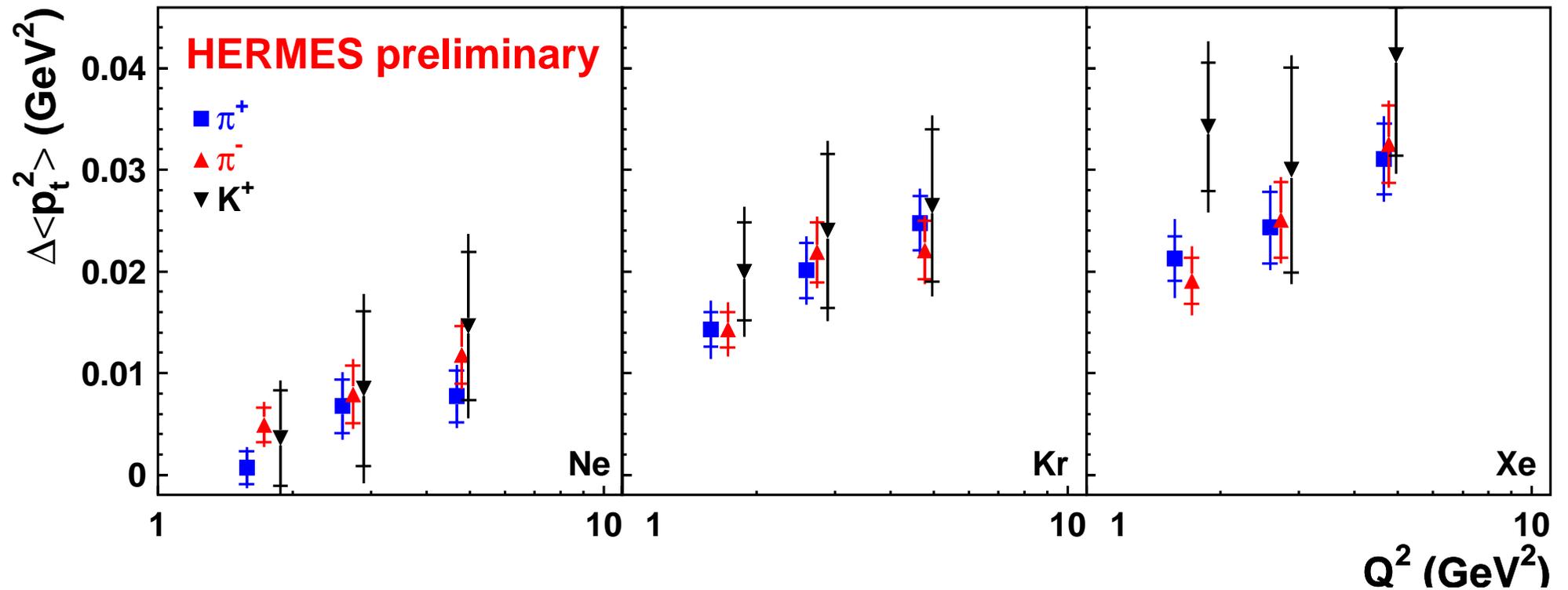
$$\Rightarrow \text{pre-hadron } t_p \rightarrow 0$$

# Results: $\nu$ -dependence



- Clear A-dependence
- Broadening goes (slightly) down with increasing  $\nu$

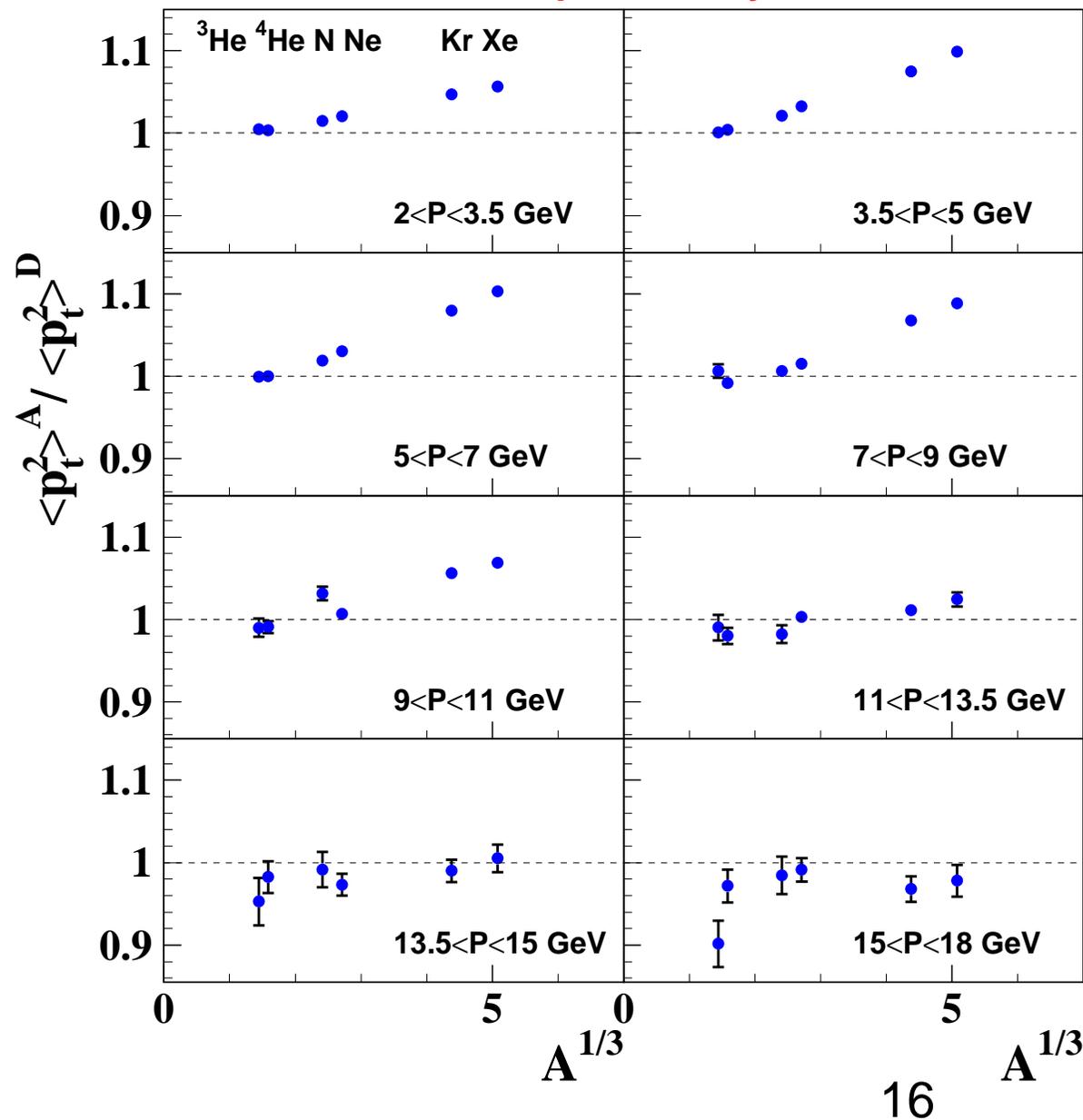
## Results: $Q^2$ -dependence



- Clear A-dependence
- Broadening goes up with  $Q^2$  - hint of saturation

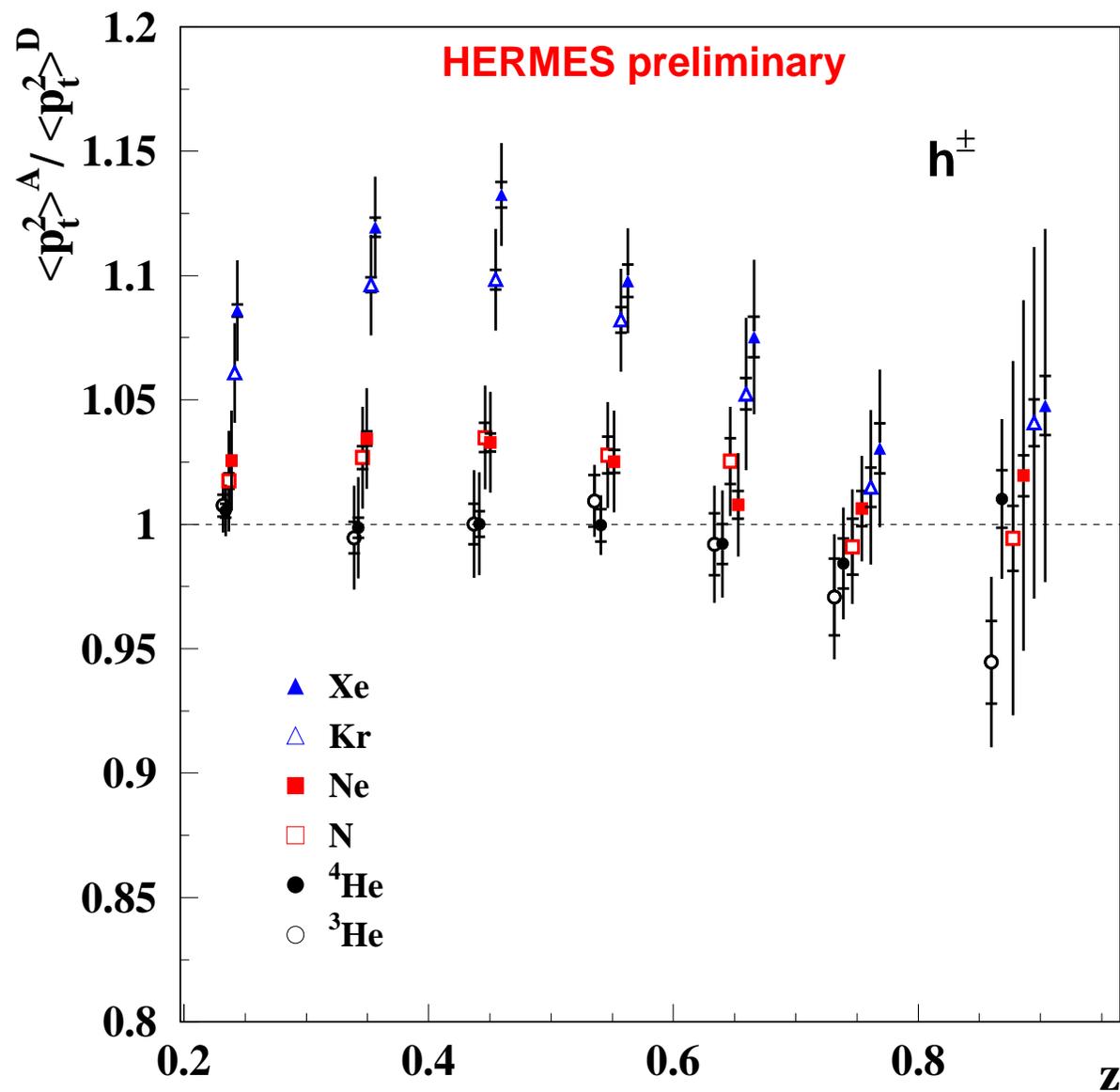
# Results: $p_t$ -ratio vs $A^{1/3}$

HERMES preliminary



- Small nuclei:  
 $\Rightarrow$  size  $< l_p$
- High  $P$  = high  $z$

## Results: $p_t$ -ratio versus $z$



- Clear A-dependence
- High  $z \rightarrow 1$
- All available targets

# Conclusions

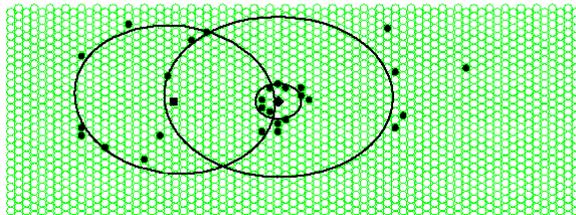
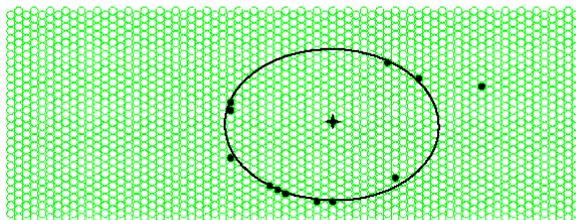
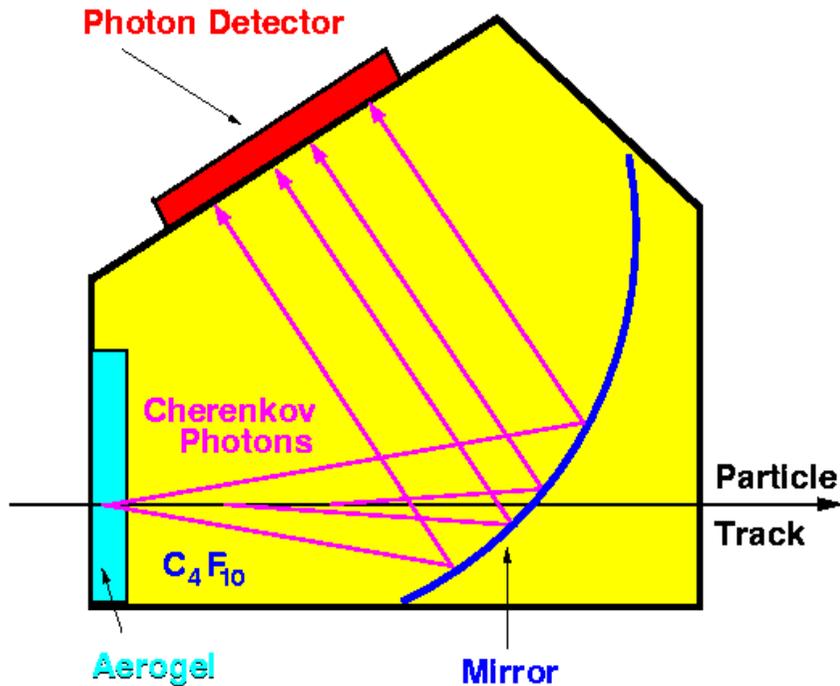
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- **New HERMES results** on nuclear effects in hadronization:
  - ⇒  $p_t$ -ratios:
    - \* For all available targets
    - \* All charged hadrons
  - ⇒ First absolute measurement of  $p_t$ -broadening in lepto-production:
    - \* On Ne, Kr, and Xe
    - \* Different hadron types
    - \* Versus several kinematic variables
    - \* A clear signal of broadening is observed
      - Constraint on pre-hadron mechanism
- Together with nuclear attenuation:  
**Most extended data set on space-time evolution of hadronization!**

## Additional slides

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# RICH unfolding = correction for hadron misidentification



- P-matrices (Mont Carlo produced)

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_\pi \\ I_K \\ I_P \\ I_X \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} P_\pi^\pi & P_\pi^K & P_\pi^P \\ P_K^\pi & P_K^K & P_K^P \\ P_P^\pi & P_P^K & P_P^P \\ P_X^\pi & P_X^K & P_X^P \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} N_\pi \\ N_K \\ N_P \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{N} = P_{trunc}^{-1} \cdot \vec{I}_{trunc}$$

- Impact on statistics:

- ⇒  $\pi^+$ : -0.4 %
- ⇒  $\pi^-$ : +1.3 %
- ⇒  $K^+$ : -4.4 %

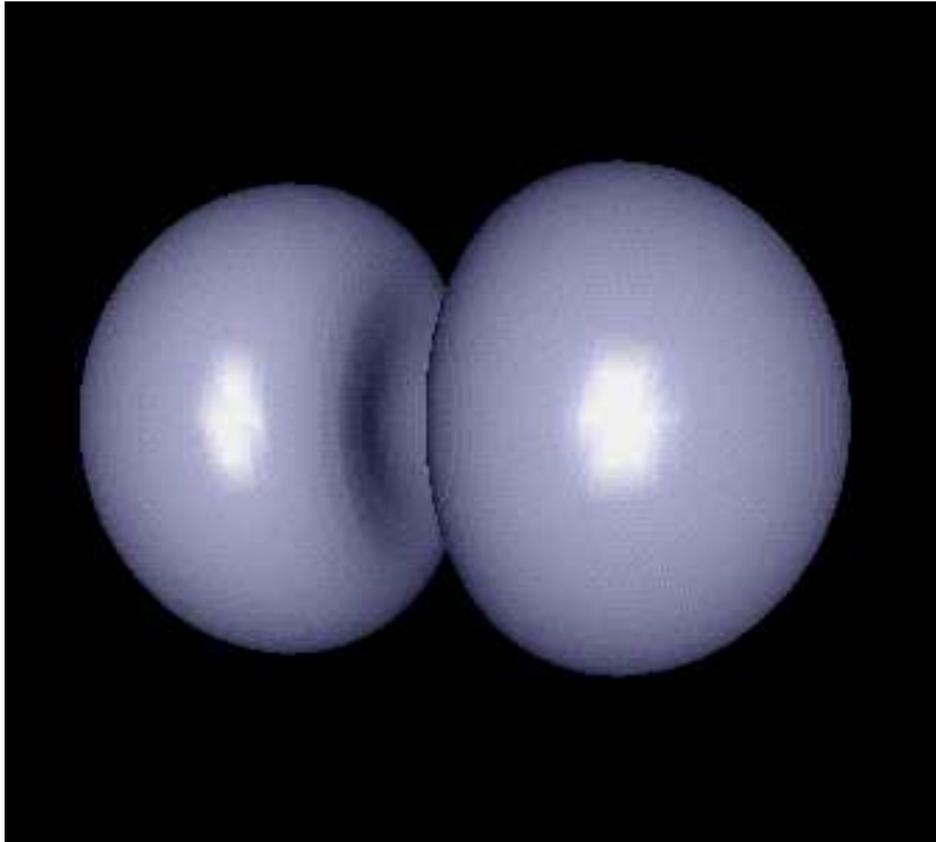
- No impact on  $\Delta\langle p_t^2 \rangle$  behavior

- RICH efficiencies:

- ⇒  $\pi$ : 98%
- ⇒  $K$ : 88%

## Exclusive $\rho^0$ correction

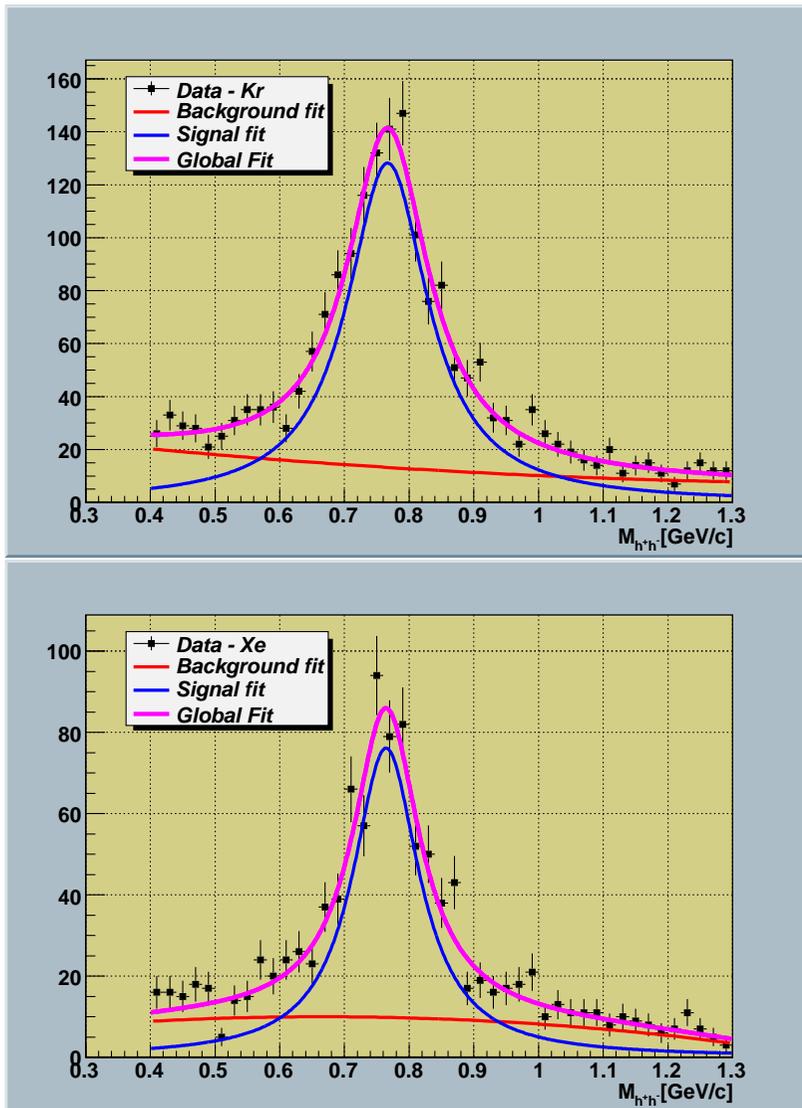
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↑ Depiction of a  $\rho^0$  decay ↑

- Vector Meson Dominance model:
  - ⇒  $\gamma^*$  fluctuates in  $\rho^0$
  - ⇒ scatters off nucleon (incoherent)
  - ⇒ scatters off nucleus (coherent)
- **Not hadronization**

# Exclusive $\rho^0$ s from data



- Cuts used:

- ⇒ SIDIS cuts

- ⇒  $0.6 < M_{h^+h^-} < 1.0$  GeV

- ⇒ Hadron multiplicity = 2

- ⇒  $-t' < 0.4$  GeV<sup>2</sup>

- \* (4-mom.)<sup>2</sup> transfer to target

- ⇒  $\Delta E < 0.6$  GeV

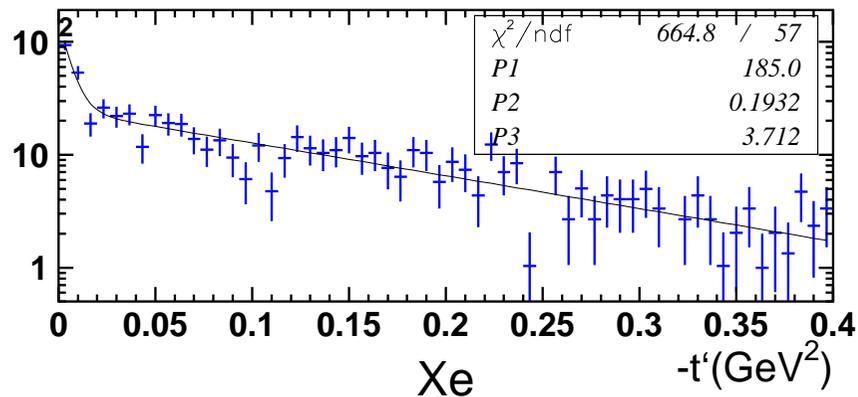
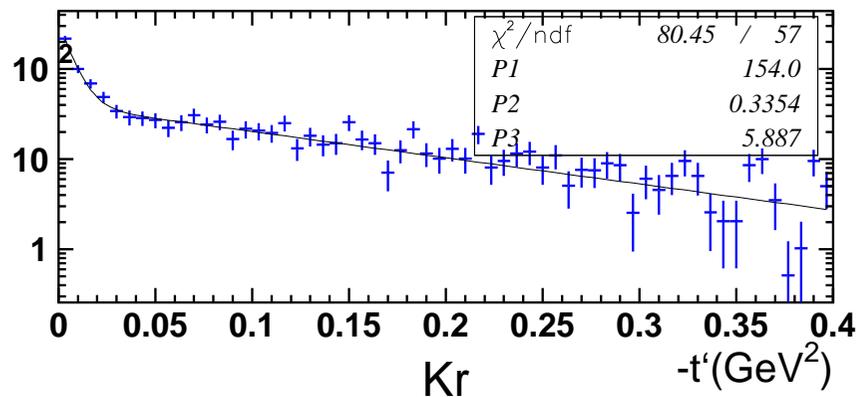
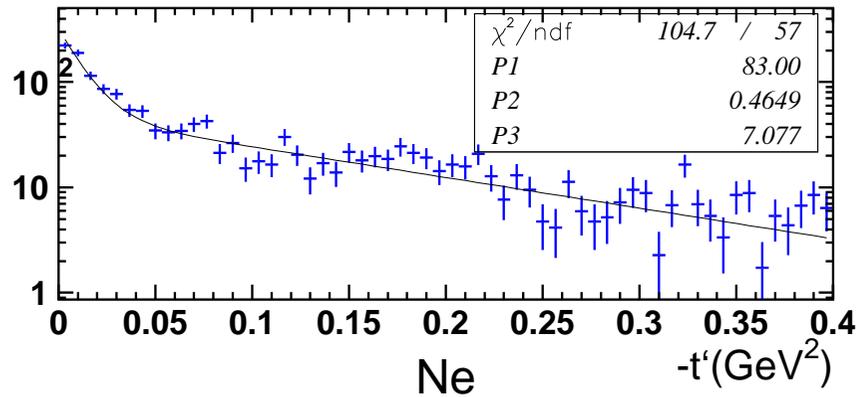
- \* 
$$\Delta E = \frac{M_x^2 - M_{targ}^2}{2M_{targ}}$$

- Fit:

- ⇒ Breit Wigner + Background

- ⇒ Background correction

# Exclusive $\rho^0$ : $-t'$ spectrum



- $-t'$  Background corrected

$\Rightarrow$  (4-mom.)<sup>2</sup> transfer to target

- $f(-t') = a_n(b_{inc}e^{b_{inc}\cdot t'} + a_0\cdot b_{coh}\cdot e^{b_{coh}\cdot t'})$   
PRL 82 (1999) 3025

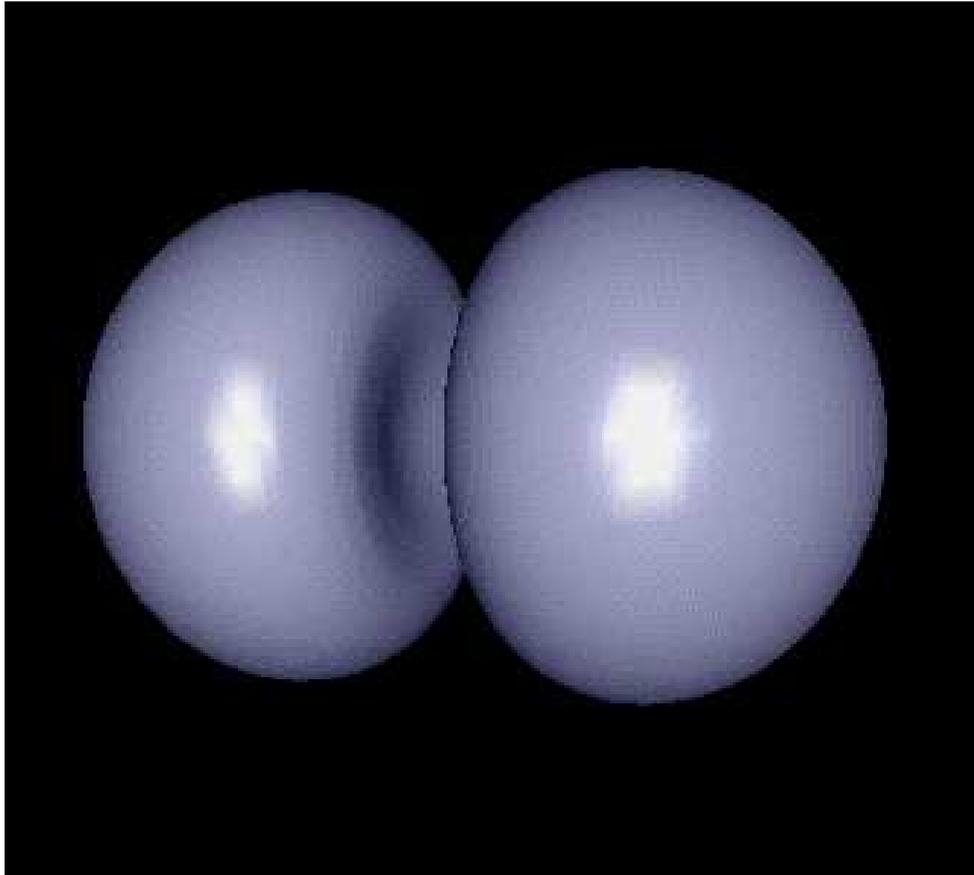
$\Rightarrow b_{inc}$  incoherent slope

$\Rightarrow b_{coh}$  coherent slope

$\Rightarrow a_0$  relative weight:  
coherent to incoherent

## Exclusive $\rho^0$ : MC

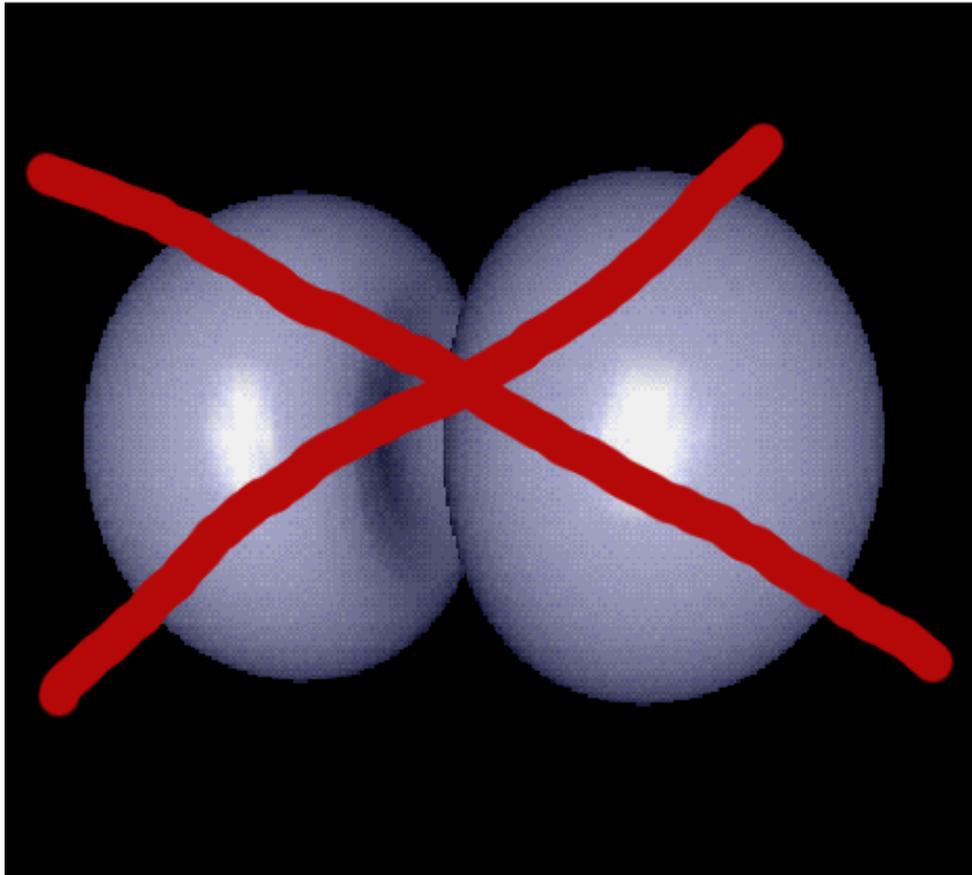
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  - $\Rightarrow$  Use  $b_{inc}$ ,  $b_{coh}$ , and  $a_0$
  - $\Rightarrow$  Nuclear  $\rho$ -MC
- Normalize nuclear  $\rho$ -MC to  $\#\rho^0$  in data

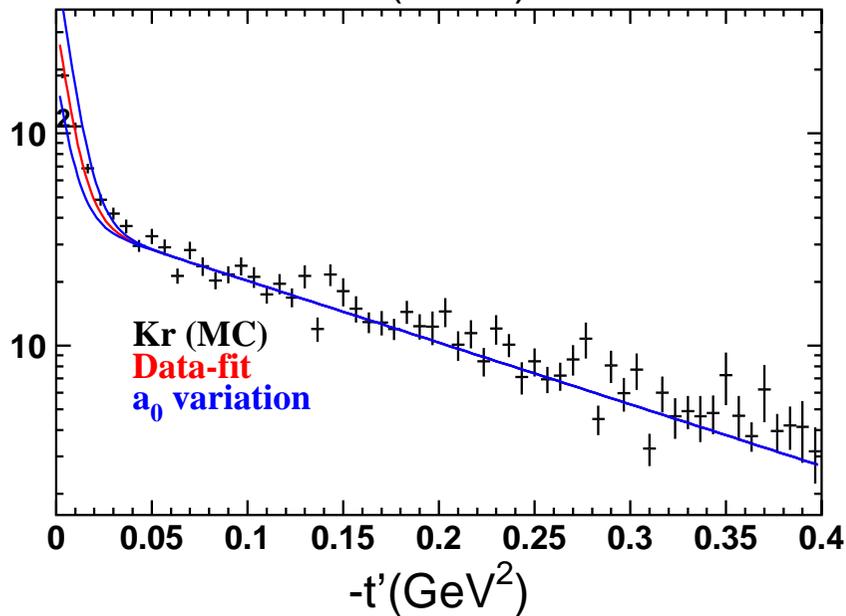
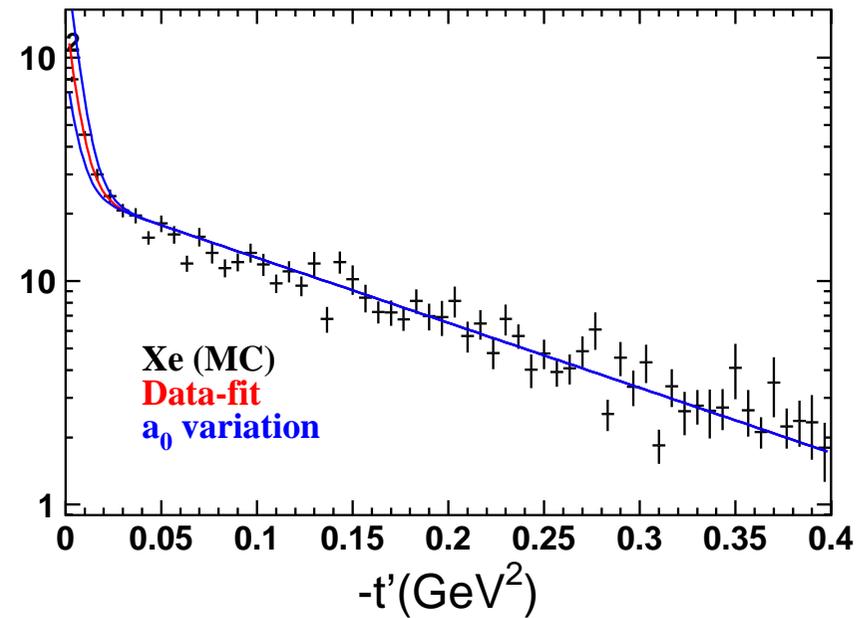
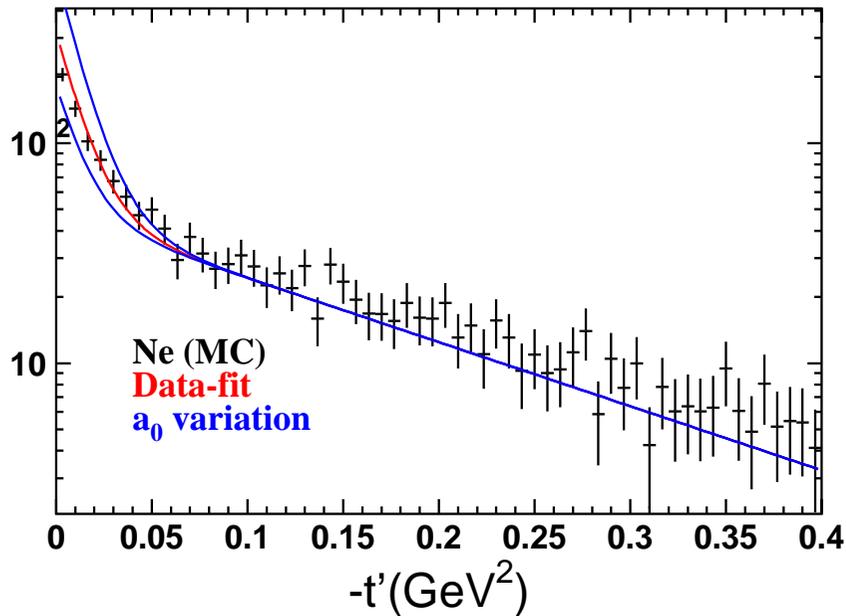
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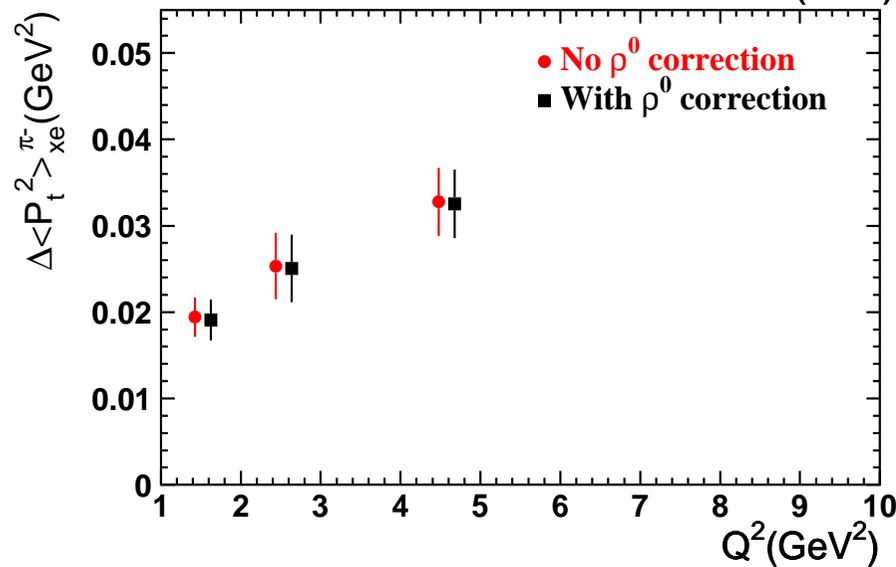
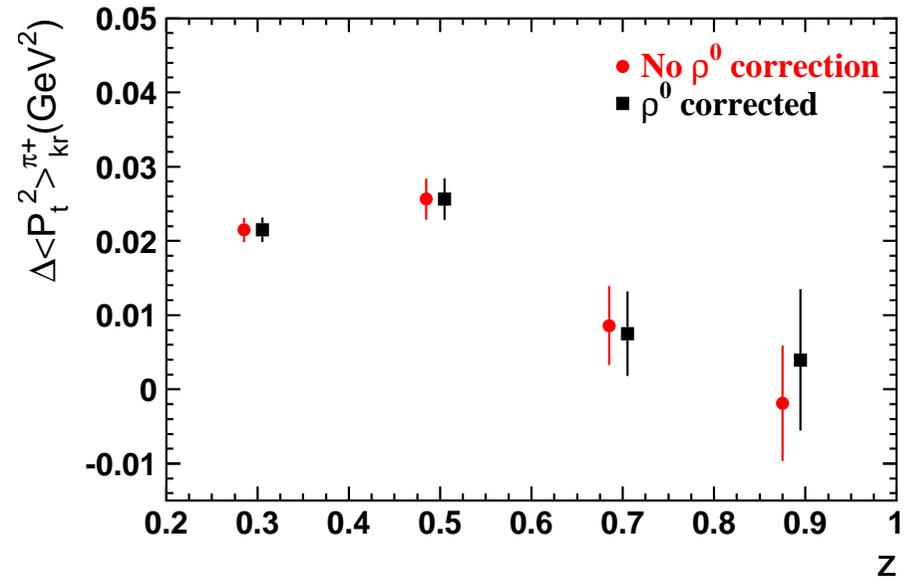
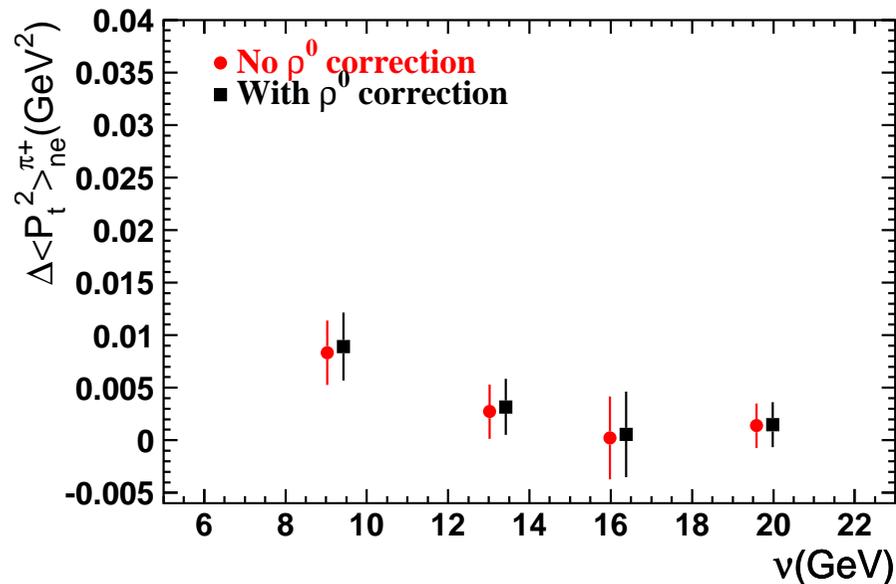
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  - $\Rightarrow$  Nuclear  $\rho$ -MC
- Normalize nuclear  $\rho$ -MC to  $\#\rho^0$  in data
- Subtract  $\rho^0$ -pions (MC) from data
  - $\rightarrow$  bin per bin

# Exclusive $\rho^0$ : MC - data



- $\chi^2 = 0.98(\text{Ne}) - 2.58(\text{Kr}) - 2.73(\text{Xe})$
  - $a_0$  variation
- $\Rightarrow$  Systematic error

# Impact $\rho^0$ correction on $p_t$ - broadening

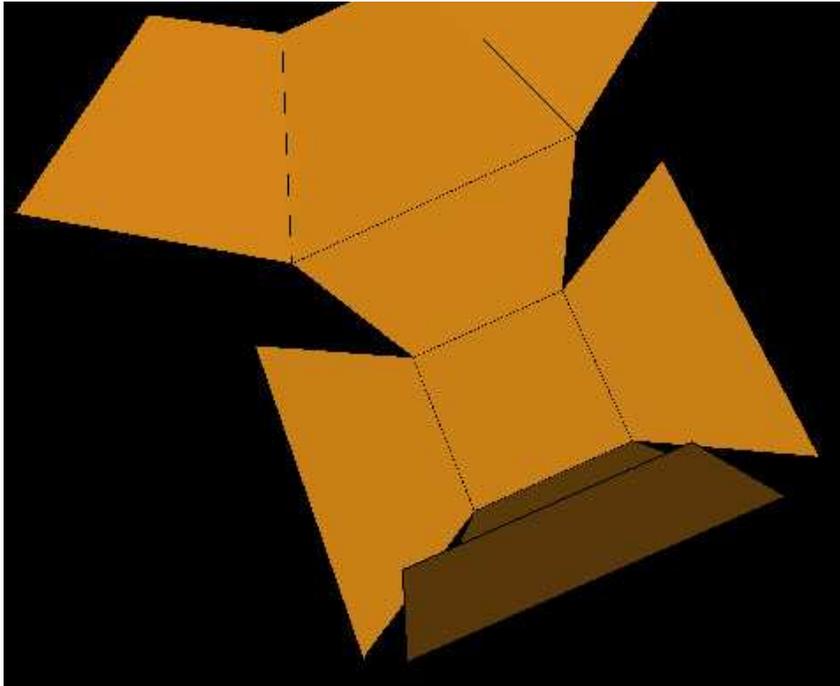


- Only effect in highest z-bin

⇒ > 50 % contribution

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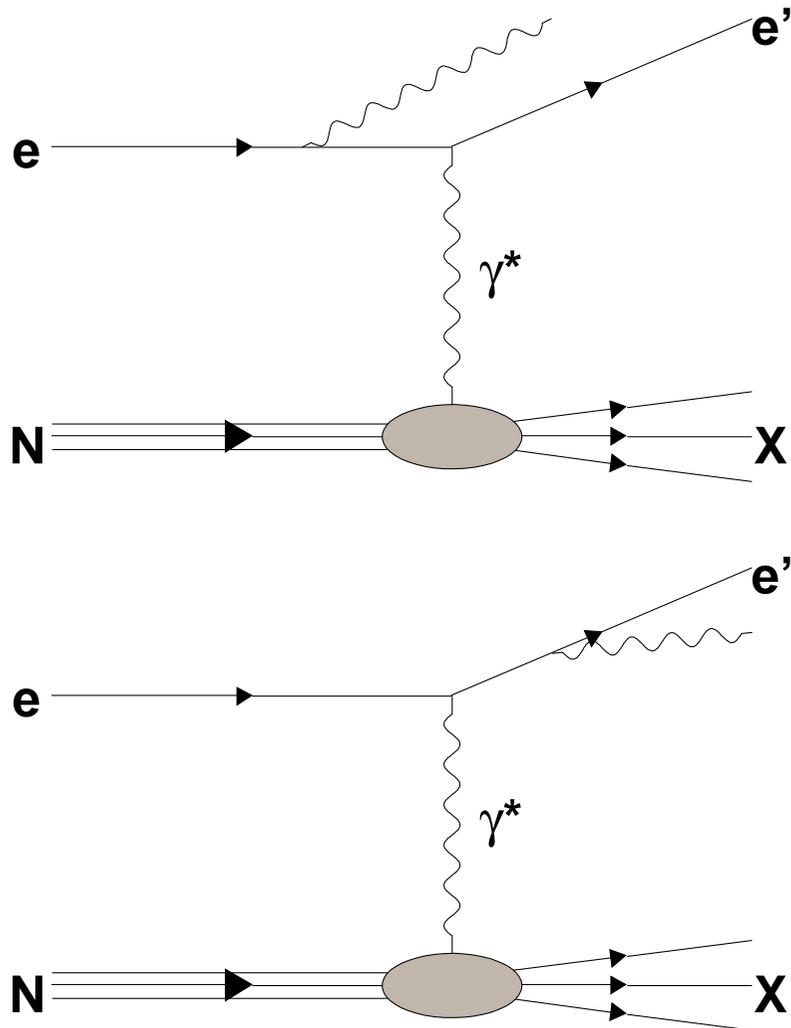
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- Correct for acceptance/smearing:  
⇒ HMC spectrometer simulation  
(GEANT3)

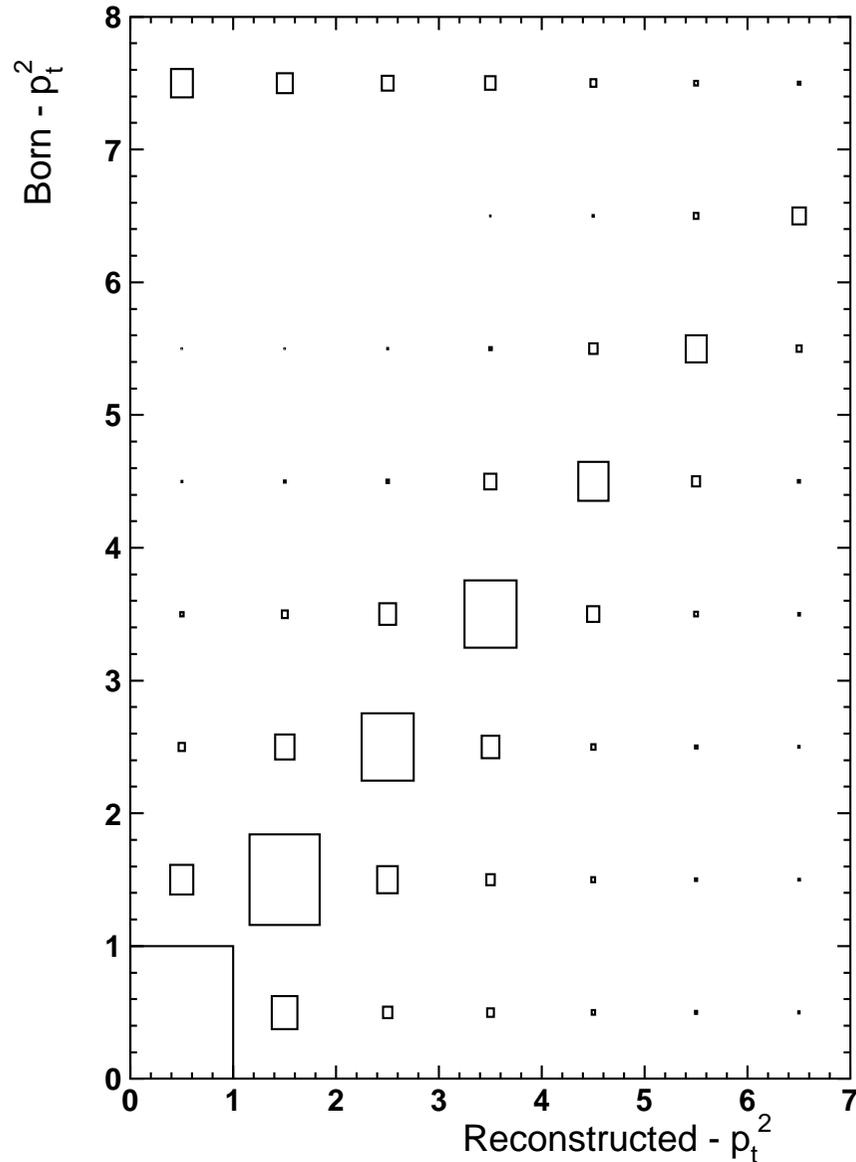
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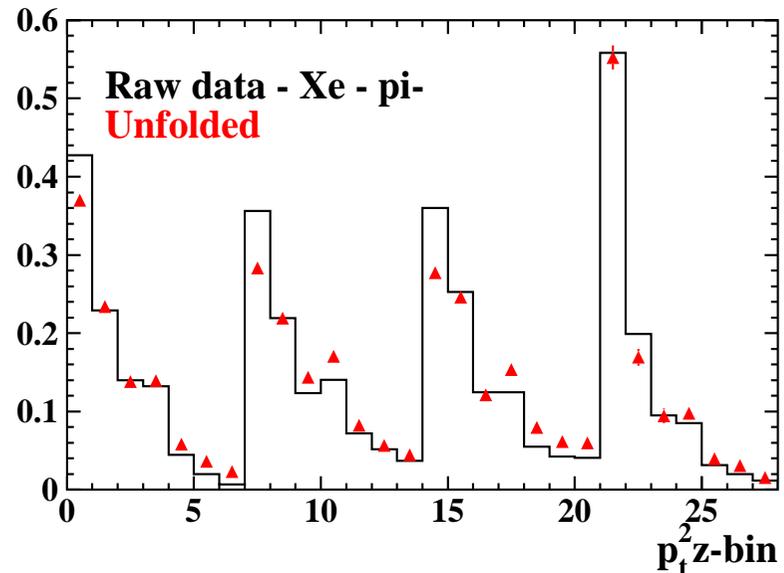
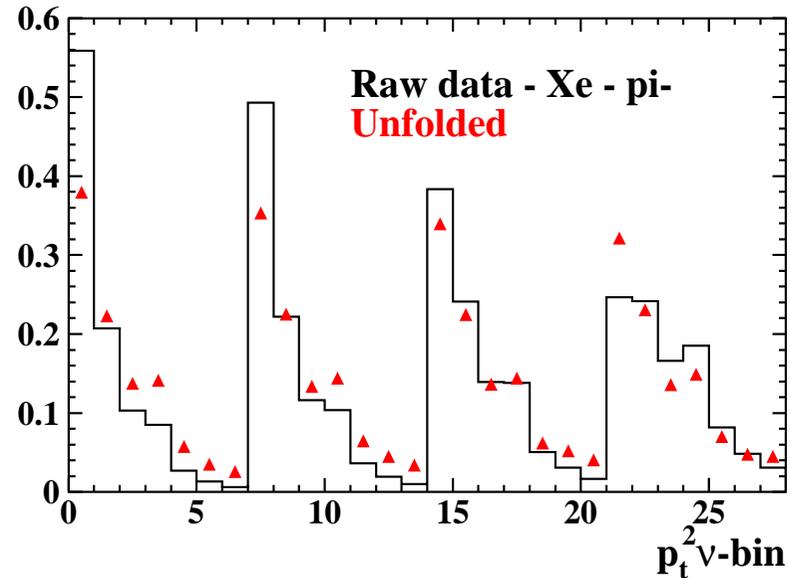
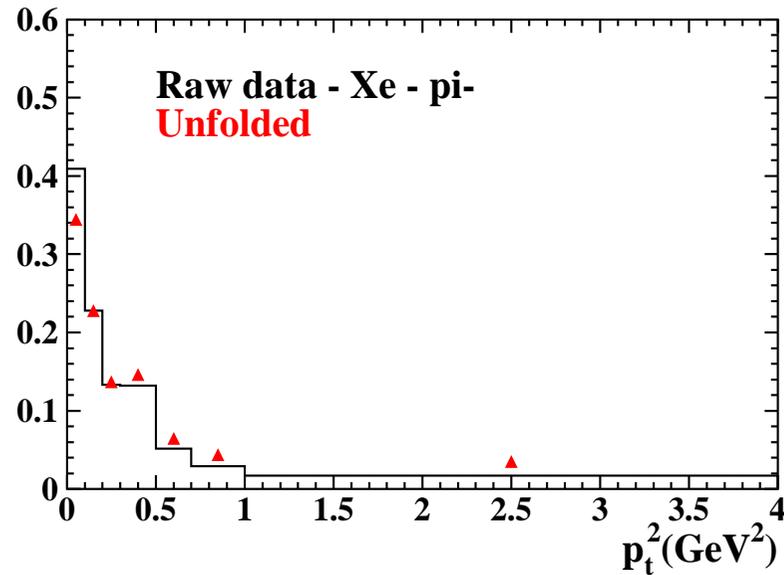
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- Correct for QED radiation.  
⇒ RADGEN

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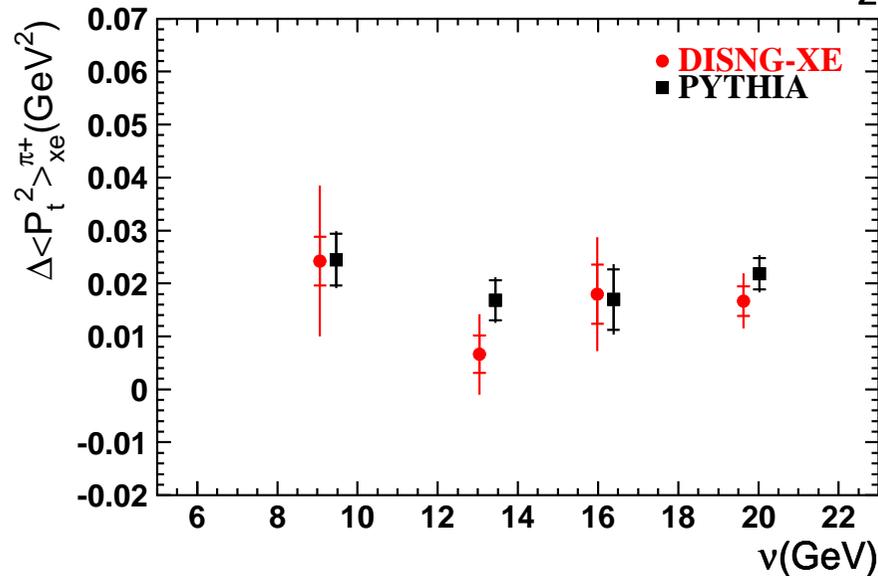
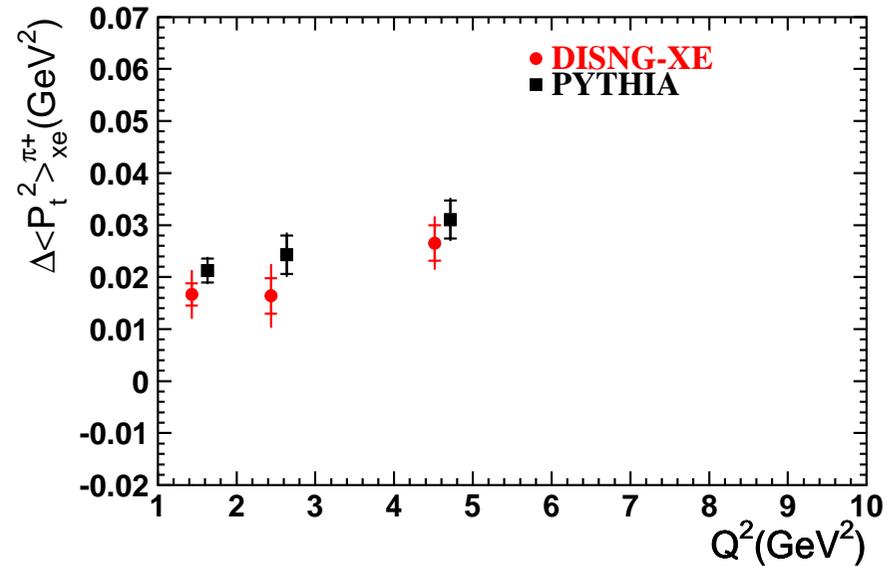
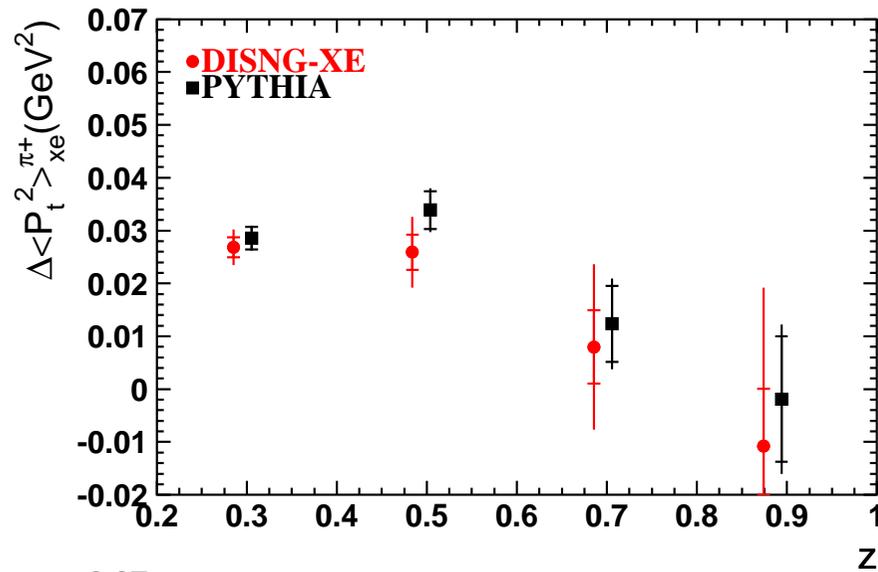
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- Correct for 1<sup>st</sup> order QED radiation.  
⇒ RADGEN
- Tuned PYTHIA + RADGEN + HMC  
⇒ Unfold data: smearing matrices  
⇒ Not so model dependent  
\* In systematic error

# Impact unfolding on $p_t^2$ spectra



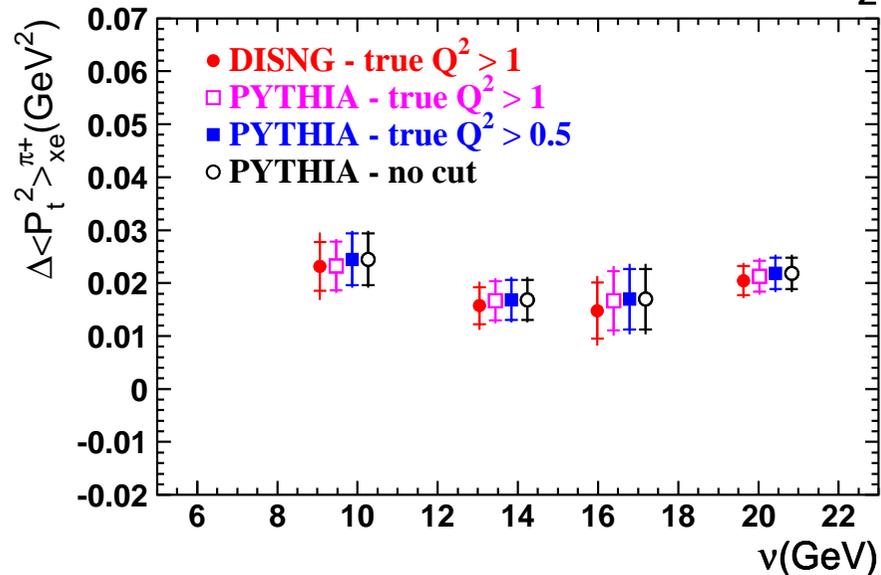
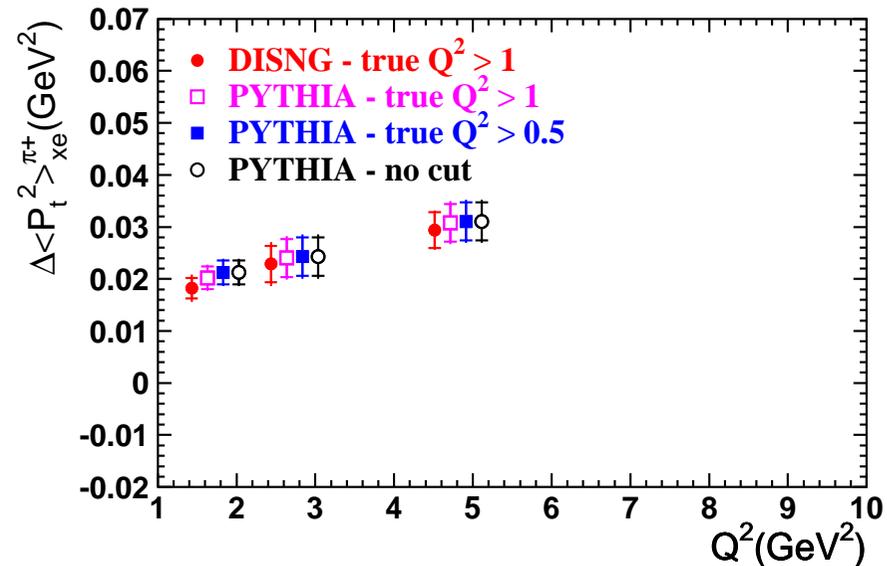
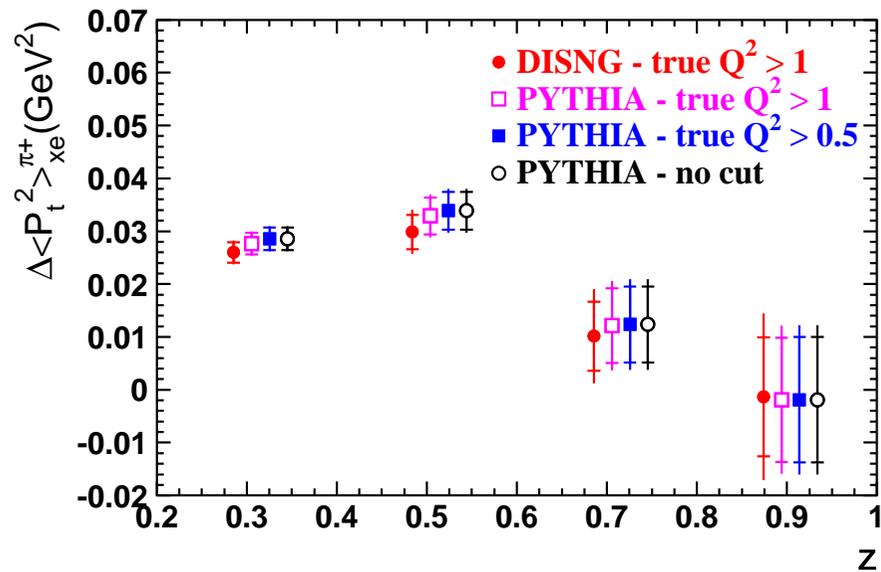
- $p_t^2$ -binning ( $\text{GeV}^2$ ):  
0 - 0.1 - 0.2 - 0.3 - 0.5 - 0.7 - 1.0 - 4.0
- **Normalized values!** (to total #events in z,  $\nu$ , or  $Q^2$  bin)
- Decrease in lowest  $p_t^2$  bins
- Slight increase in highest  $p_t^2$  bins

# Nuclear dependence of radiative effects



- D2  $\rightarrow$  PYTHIA-D ( $Q_{true}^2 > 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
- Xe  $\rightarrow$  PYTHIA-D ( $Q_{true}^2 > 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
- Xe  $\rightarrow$  DISNG-Xe ( $\text{lep}Q_{true}^2 > 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
- Consistent - but more stat. needed (wip)

# Monte Carlo dependence of the unfolding



- Difference due to diff. generator and background ( $Q_{true}^2, W_{true}^2$  cut)
- Added to systematic error