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**First Cross Section Results of $D(e,e'p)n$ at Very
High Recoil Momenta**

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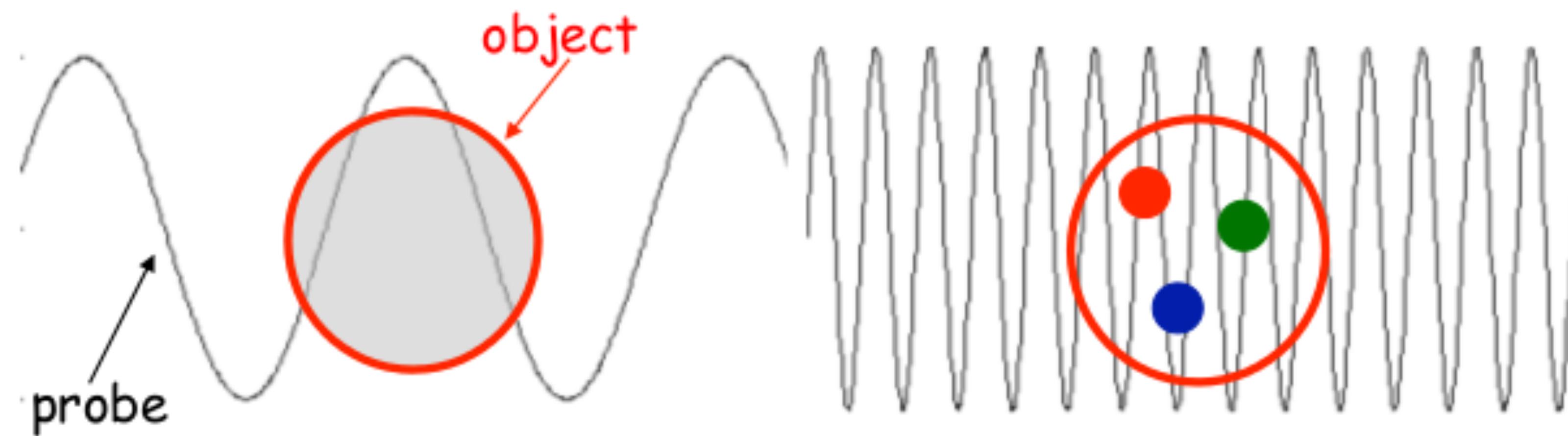
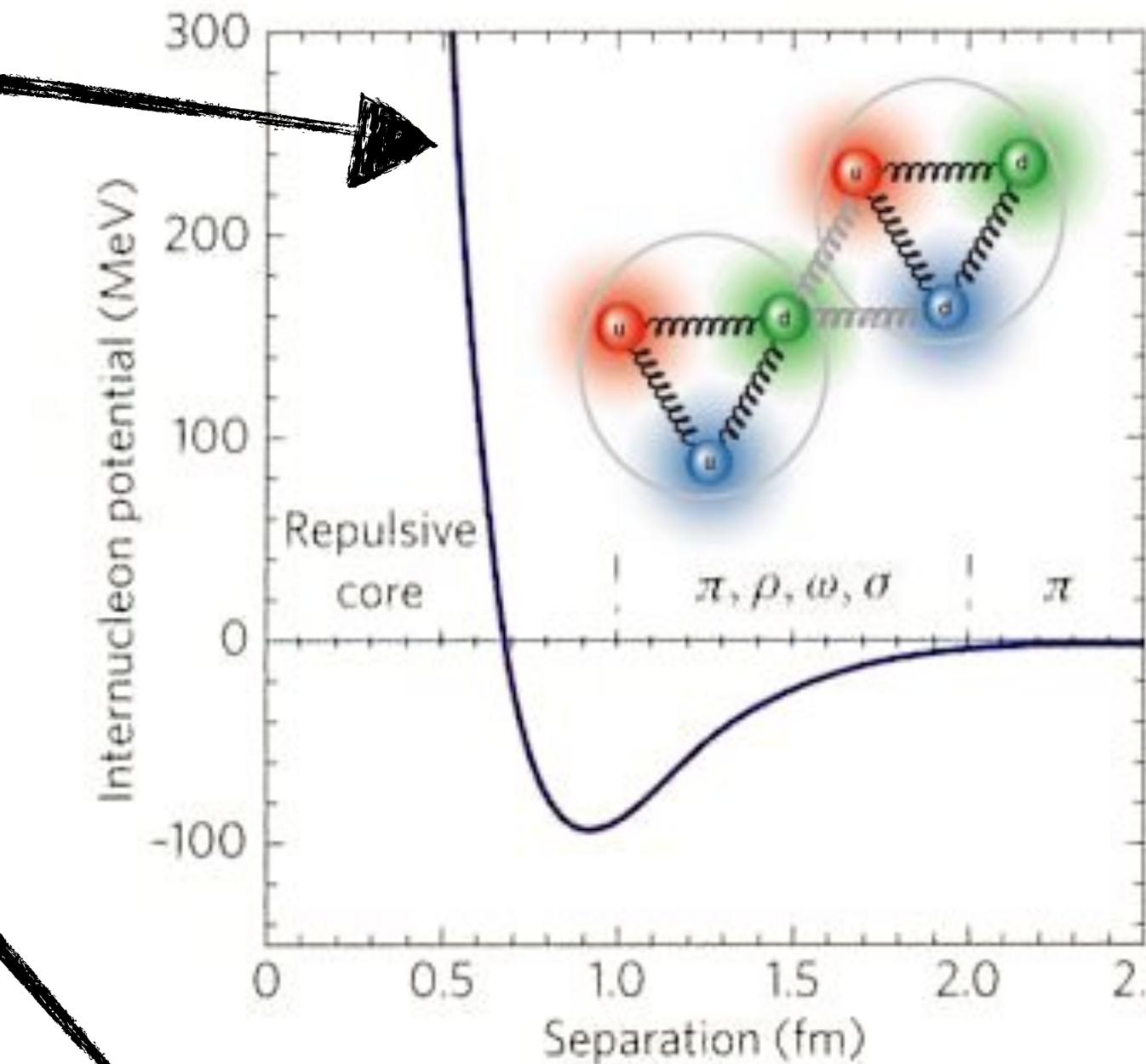
Motivation

Short-range structure of the deuteron is currently not well understood.

Most direct way to study the short-range structure of the deuteron is by probing its high momentum tails via $D(e,e'p)n$ reaction at large momentum and energy transfers

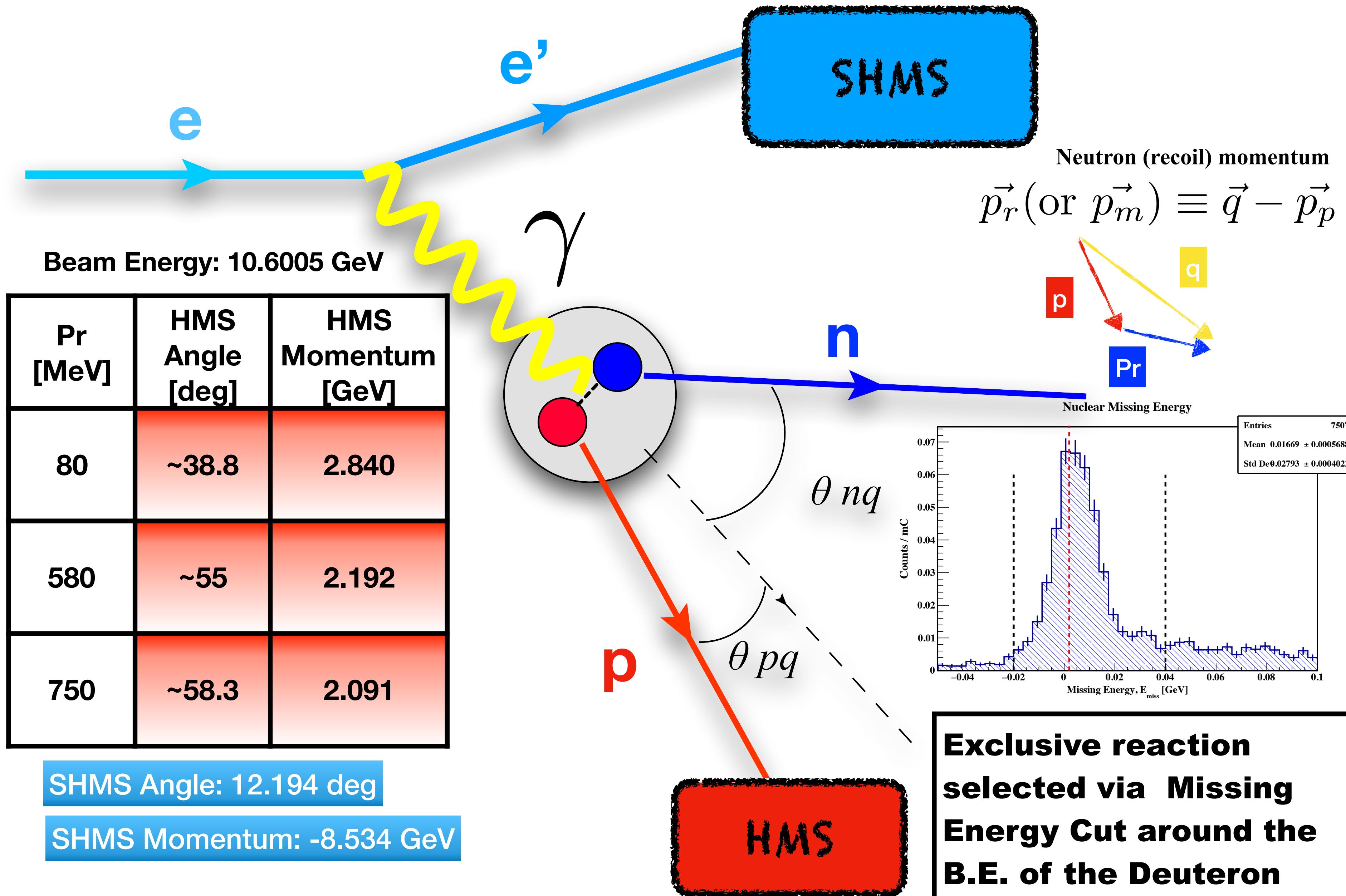
Extract momentum distributions from measured cross sections beyond 500 MeV/c recoil momentum at PWIA kinematics

Illustrative NN Potential

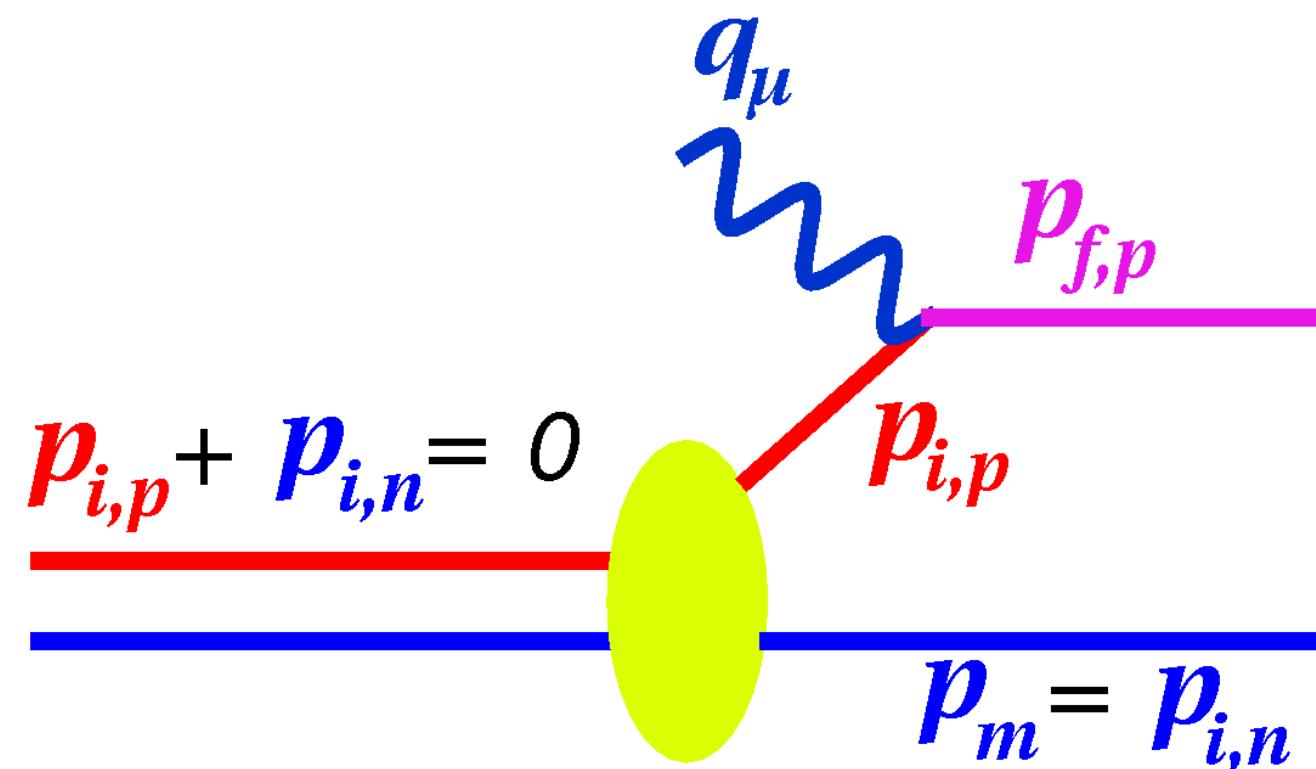


Illustrative figure of low and high energy probe on an object

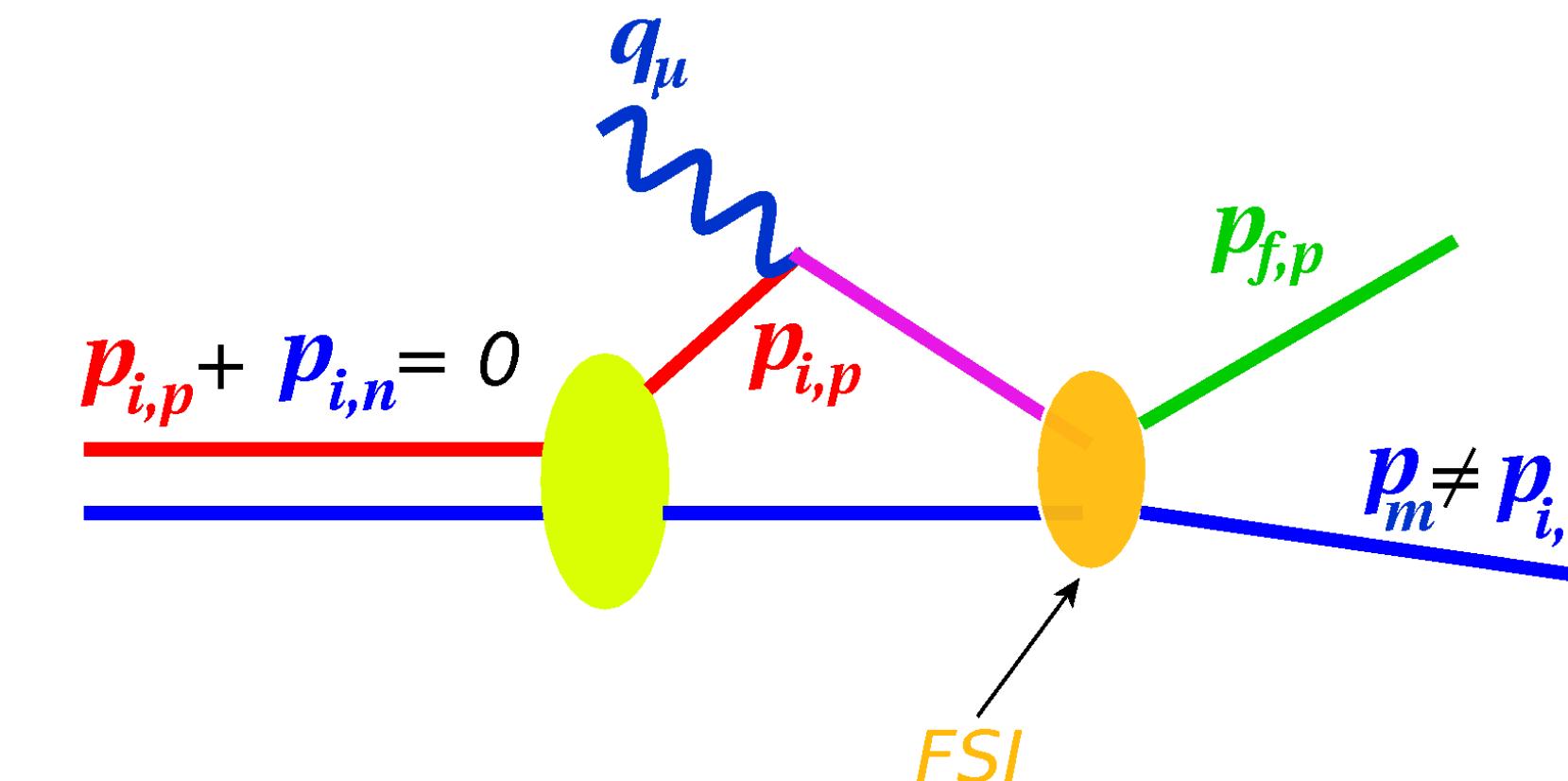
D(e,e'p)n Kinematics



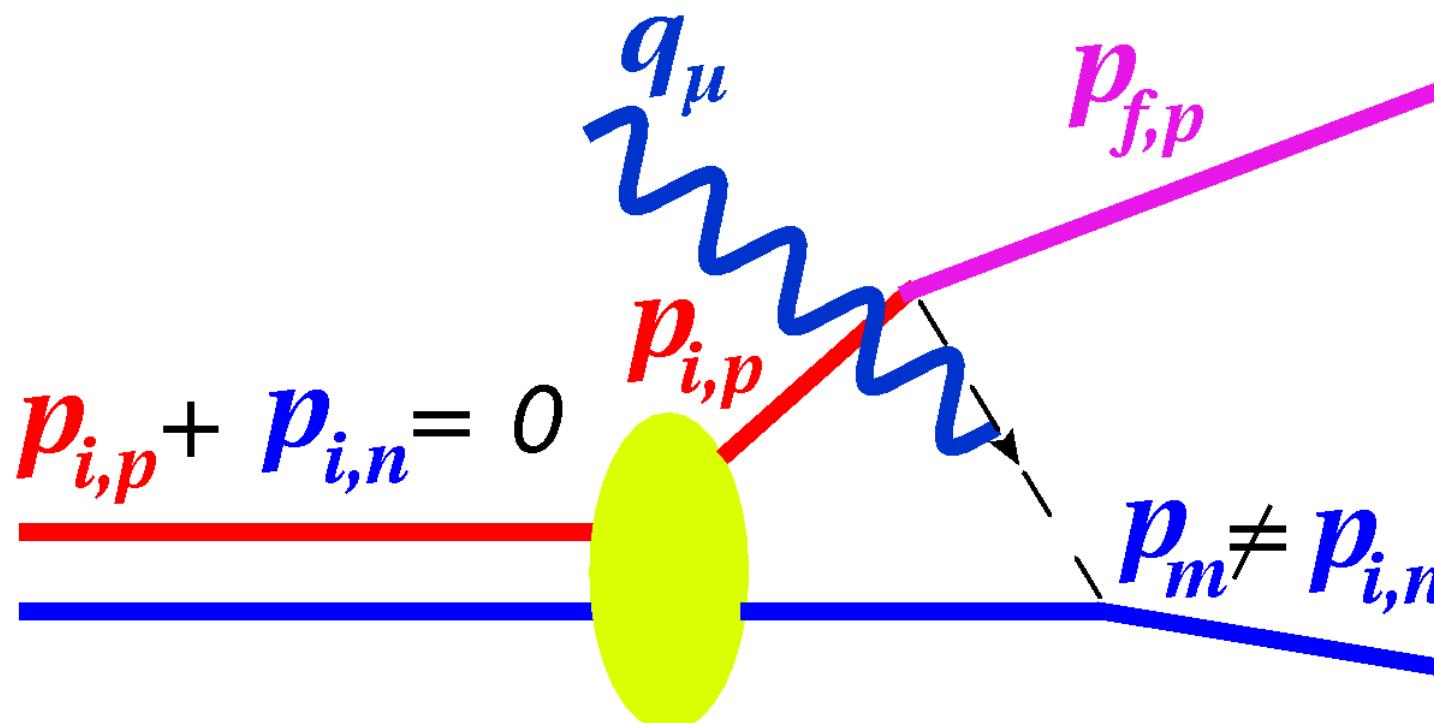
D(e,e'p)n Feynman Diagrams



**Plane Wave Impulse Approximation
(PWIA)**

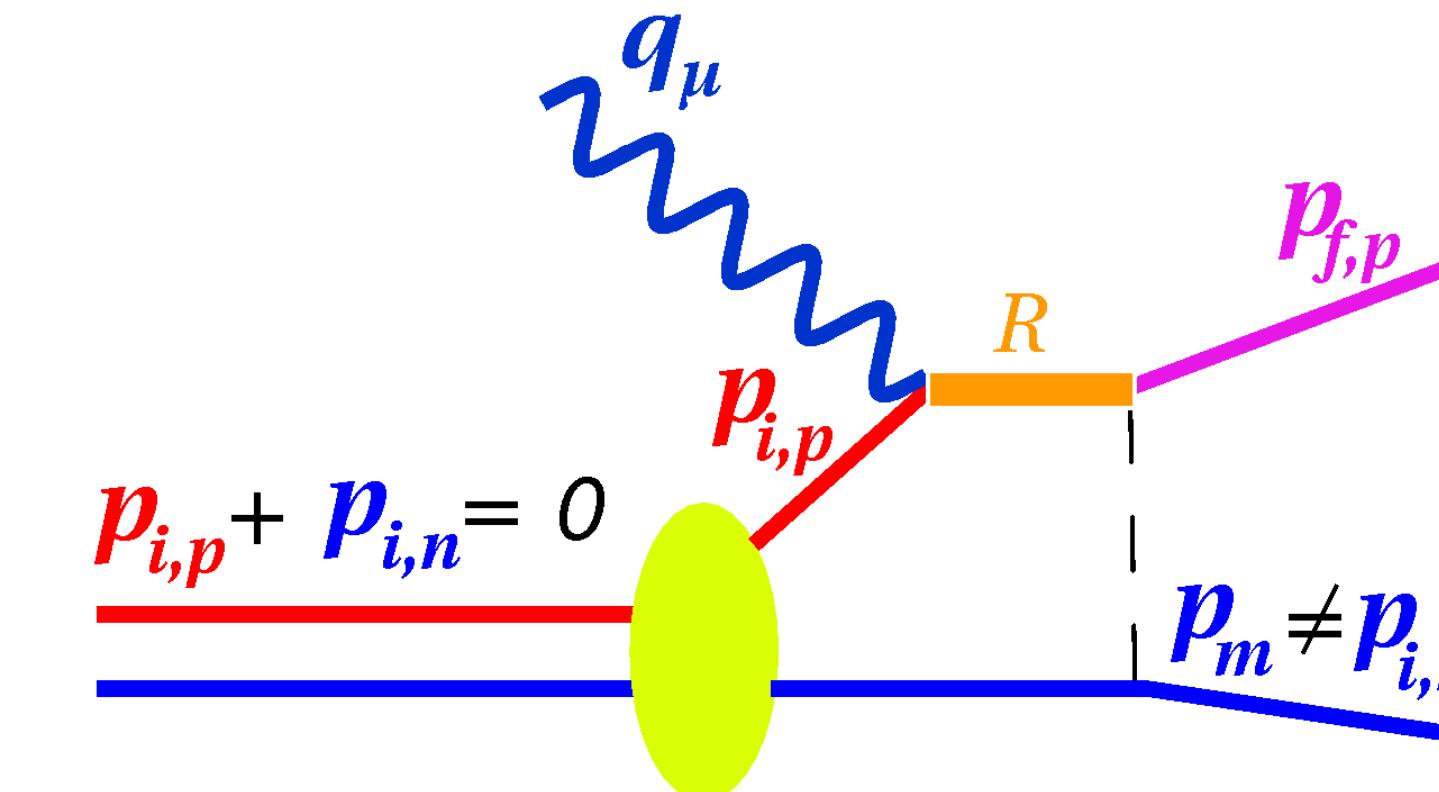


Final State Interactions (FSI)



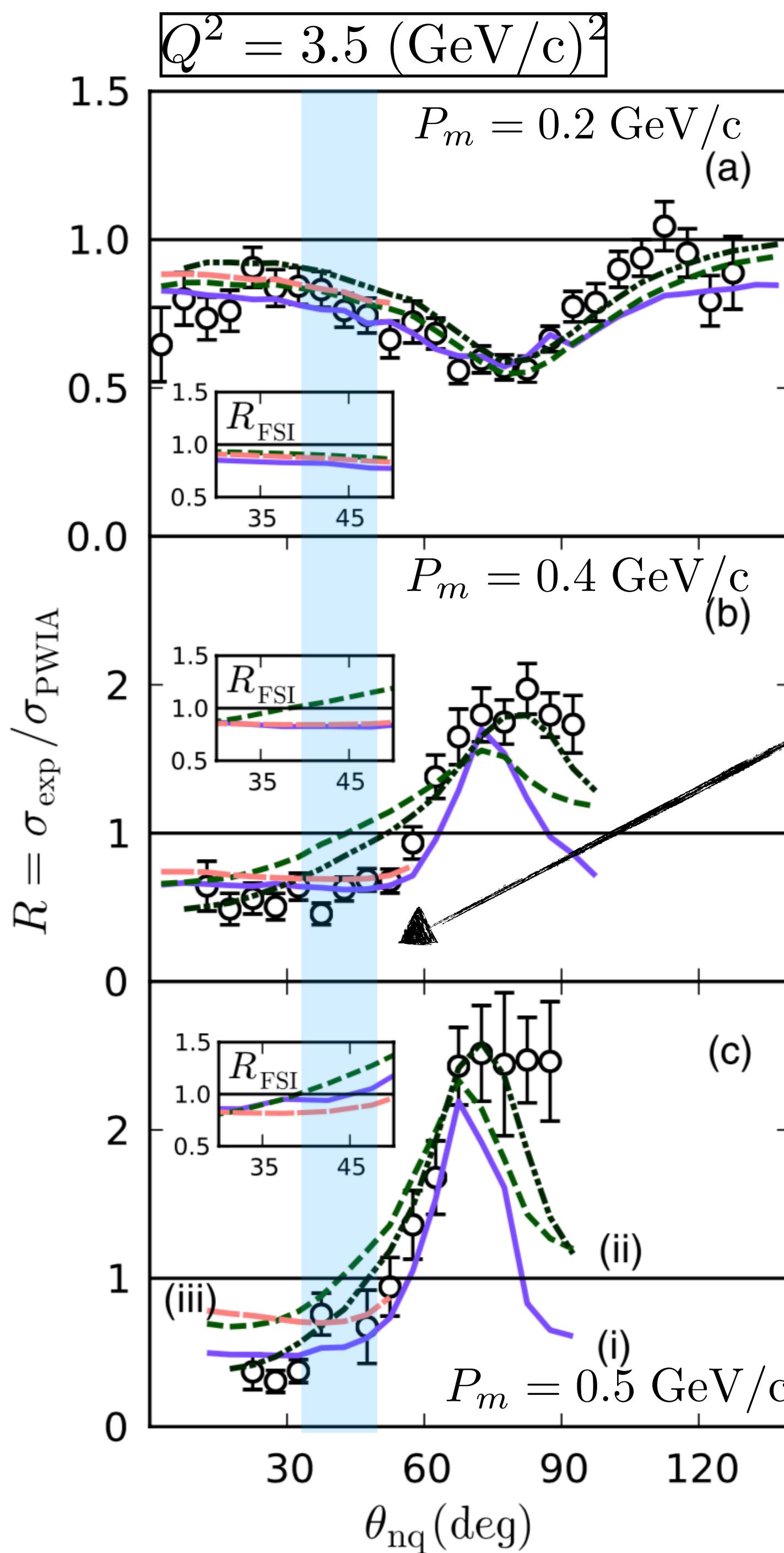
Meson-Exchange Currents (MEC)

**Suppressed at
Large Q²**



Isobar Configurations (IC)

**Suppressed at
x-Bjorken > 1**



Previous Hall A D(e,e'p)n Experiment

- The onset of GEA is established at large Q^2 and recoil momenta, which predicts a strong angular dependence of FSI on recoil angles was verified experimentally
- Theory and data agree at recoil angles $\theta_{\text{nq}} \sim 40 \text{ deg}$, where the contribution of FSI to the cross section is reduced.

	DATA
	CD-Bonn FSI (M. Sargsian)
	JVO Model (J. Van Orden)
	Paris FSI (J.M. Laget)
	Paris FSI+MEC+IC(J.M. Laget)

Deuteron Momentum Distribution

Experiment

$$\sigma_{exp} \equiv \frac{d^5\sigma}{d\omega d\Omega_e d\Omega_p} \approx K \cdot \sigma_{ep} \cdot S(p_m)$$

Theory

$$S(p_m) \approx \sigma_{red} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{exp}}{K\sigma_{ep}}$$

Factorization **ONLY**
possible in PWIA

ep off-shell cross section

electron scatters off a bound proton within the nucleus; usually,
de Forest σ_{cc1} or σ_{cc2} is prescribed

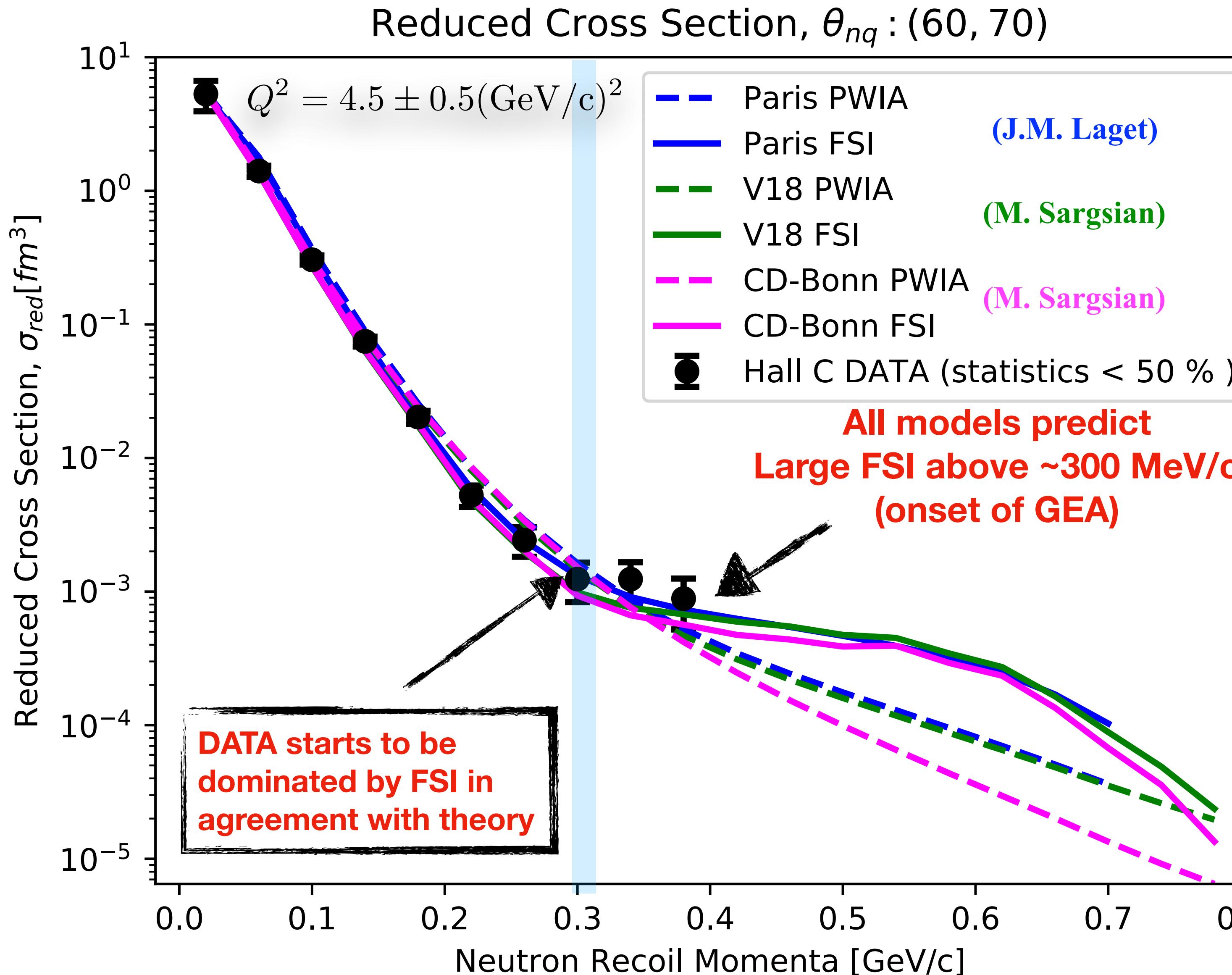
Spectral Function, $S(p_m)$

the momentum distribution inside the deuteron is interpreted as
the probability density of finding a bound proton with
momentum p_i

Reduced Cross Sections for This Experiment (Hall C)

Neutron Recoil Angles: (60, 70) deg

- DATA is well described by the FSI theory curves, which shows FSI is modeled correctly.

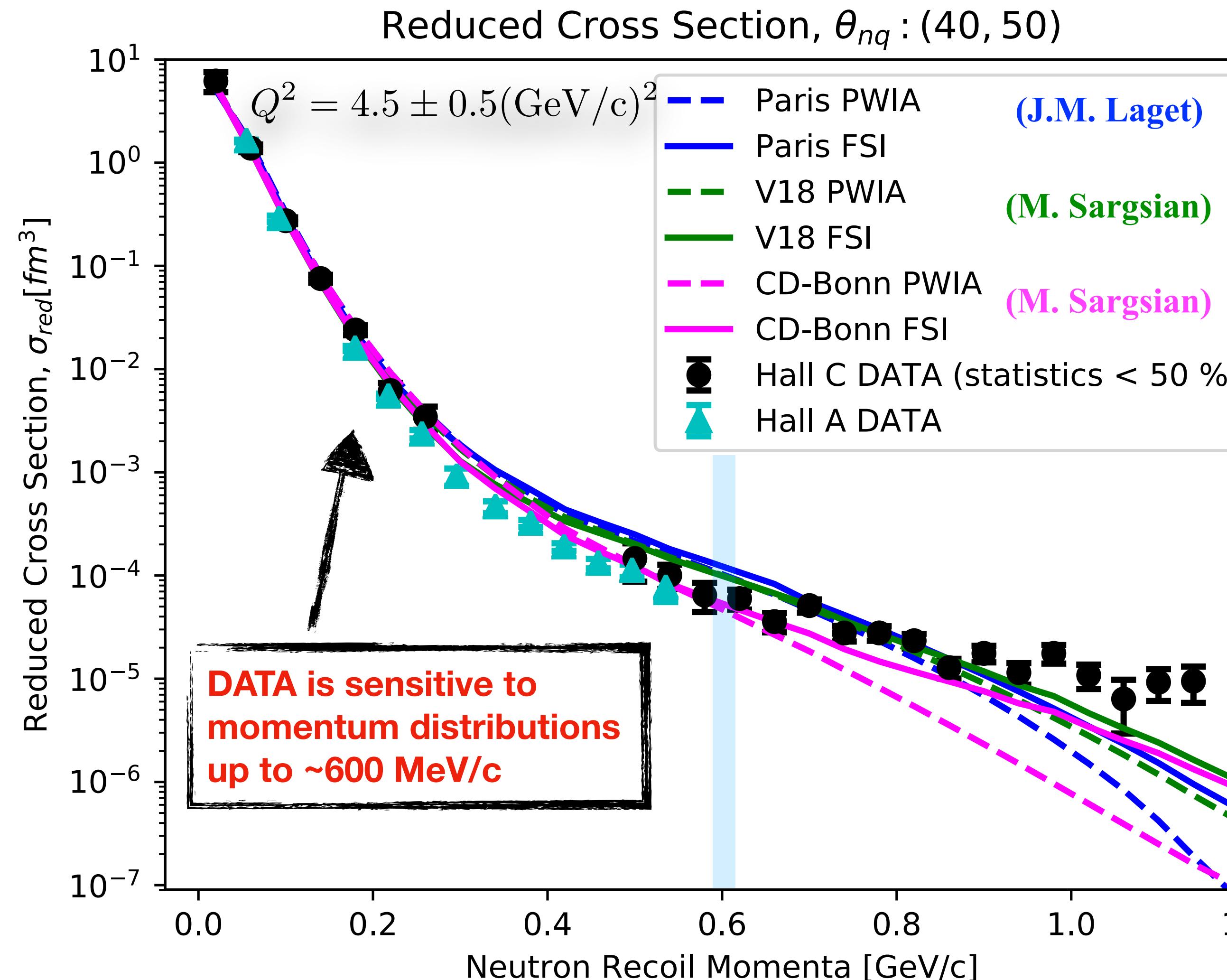


Reduced Cross Sections for This Experiment (Hall C)

Neutron Recoil Angles: (40, 50) deg

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- The CD-Bonn potential starts to deviate from the V18 and Paris at ~ 300 MeV/c, and FSI start to dominate earlier, at ~ 600 MeV/c
- Data is better described by CD-Bonn as compared to the Paris or V18 over a wider range in recoil momenta, however it flattens out above 900 MeV/c

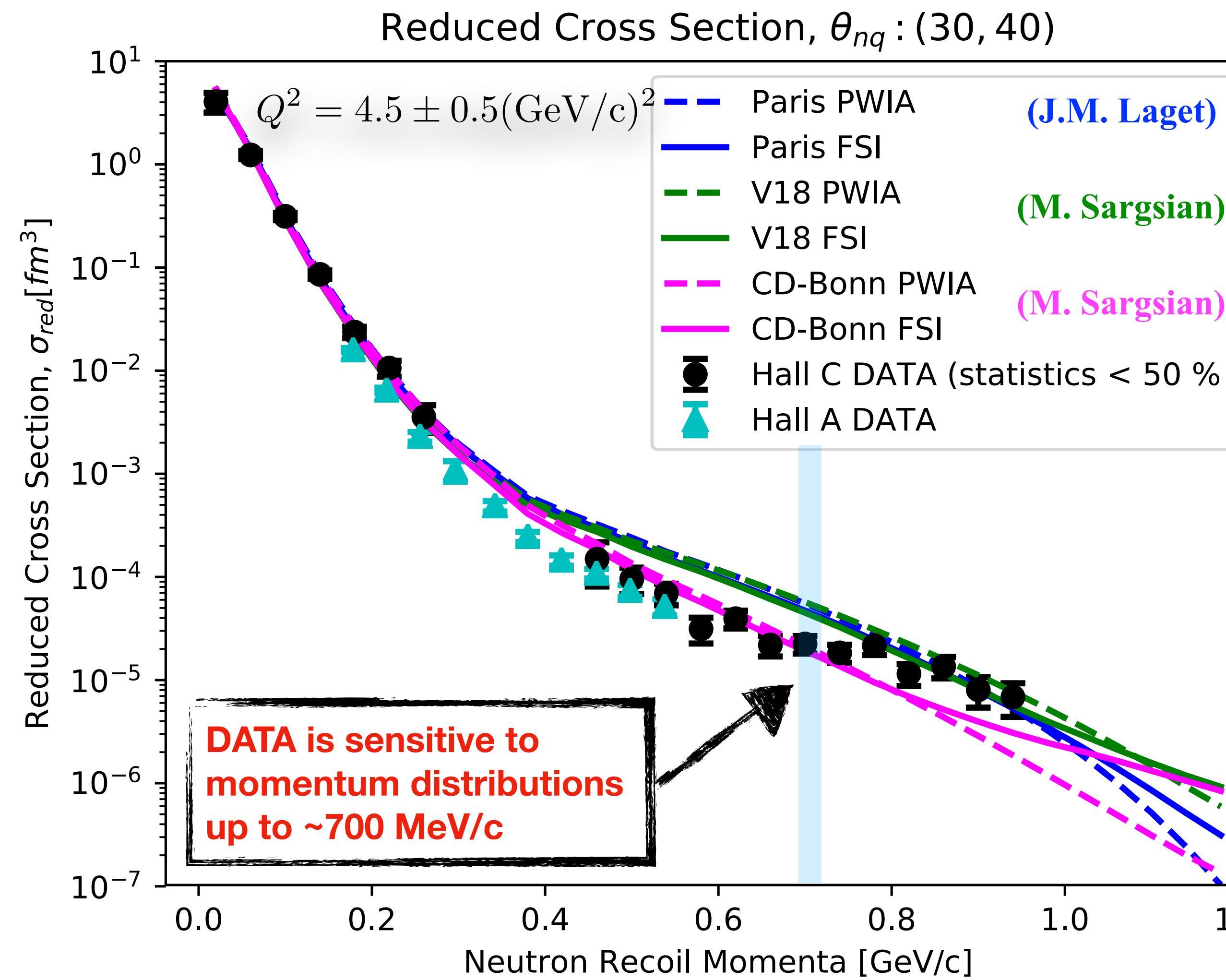


Reduced Cross Sections for This Experiment (Hall C)

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Neutron Recoil Angles: (30, 40) deg

- Momentum distributions are more sensitive to different models at smaller recoil angles, where FSI are small.
- DATA is NOT described by ANY model beyond 700 MeV/c recoil momentum



SUMMARY

- The experiment measured cross sections for the exclusive $D(e,e'p)n$ reaction at $Q^2 = 4.5 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$ for neutron recoil momentum between 0.4 to 1.0 GeV/c and neutron recoil angles between 30 to 70 deg
- At recoil angles between 30-50 deg and neutron recoil momentum $< 0.7 \text{ GeV/c}$, theories predict a reduced sensitivity to FSI and an enhanced sensitivity to the NN potential. The data agrees best with the GEA model using the CD-Bonn potential
- DATA was best described by CD-Bonn potential at smaller recoil angles and recoil momenta up to ~700 MeV/c

Overall, given that this was a 6-day commissioning and statistically limited experiment, it has very interesting results, as no model seems to describe the data above recoil momenta of 700 MeV/c . This discrepancy is worth exploring further in the full experiment.

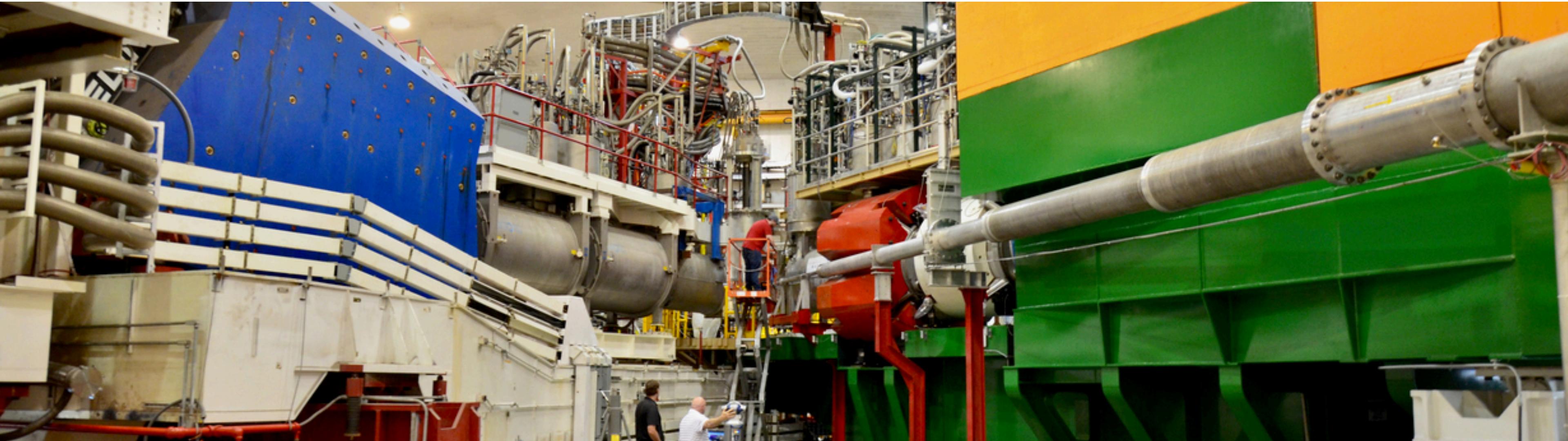
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