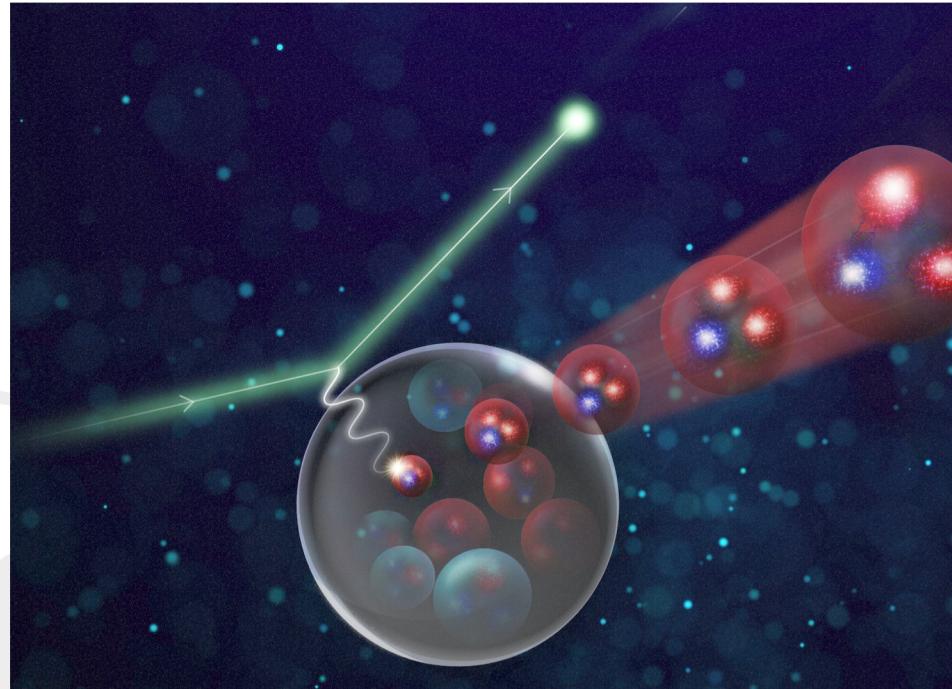


# *Color transparency in JLab experiments and different reaction mechanisms*



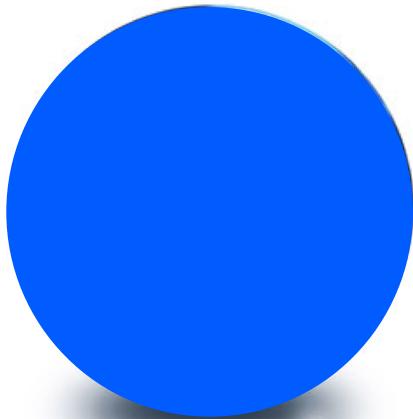
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nucleons & nuclei

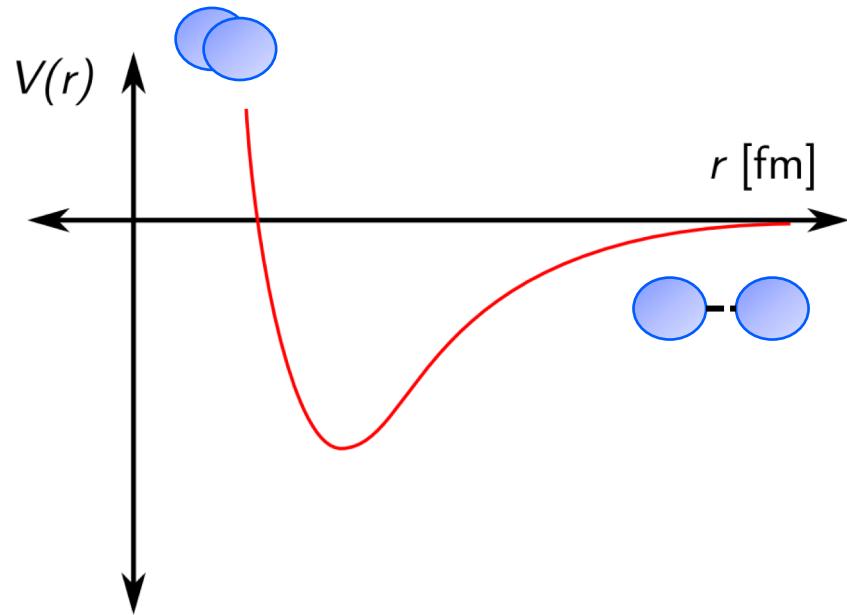


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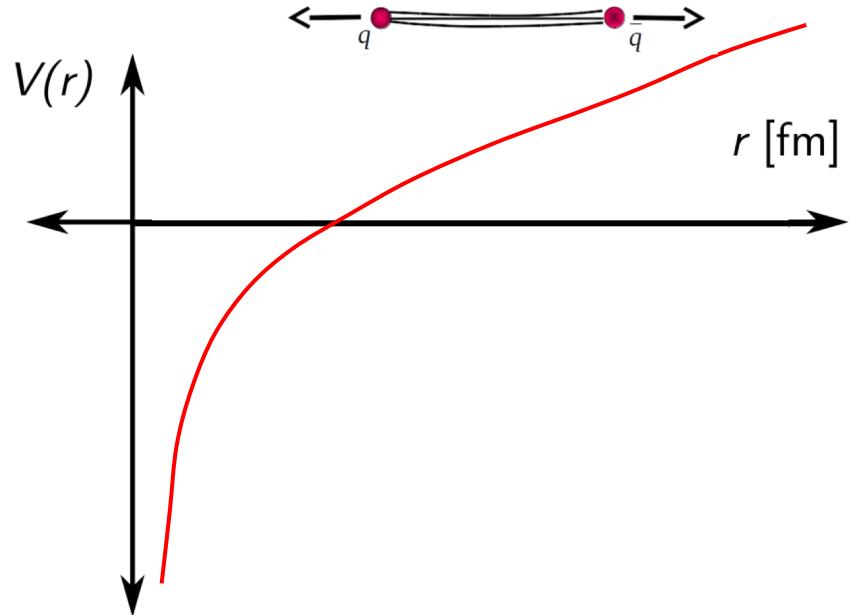
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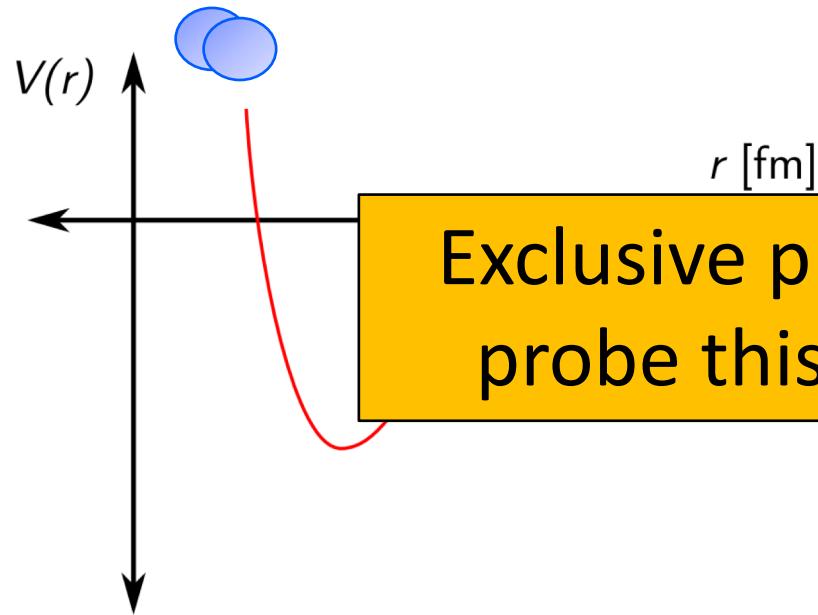
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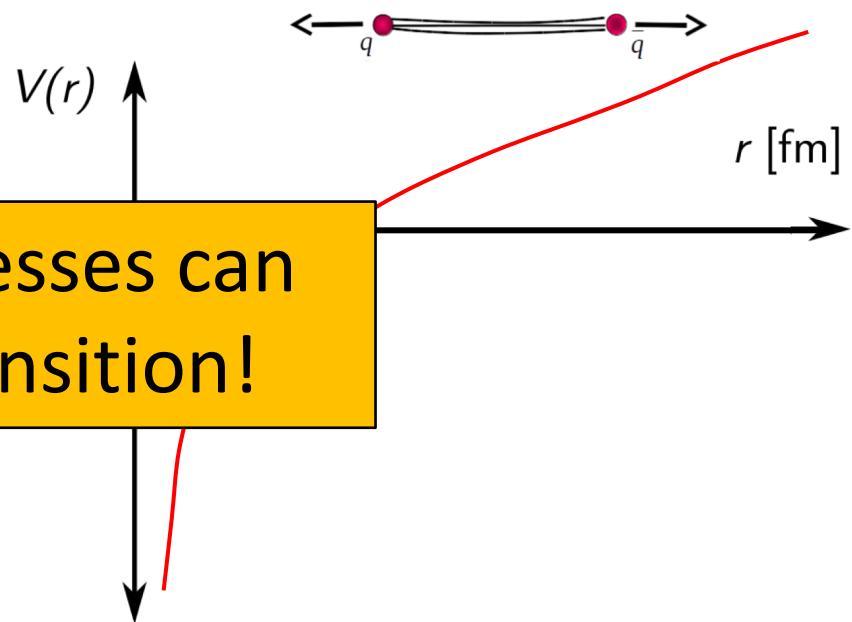
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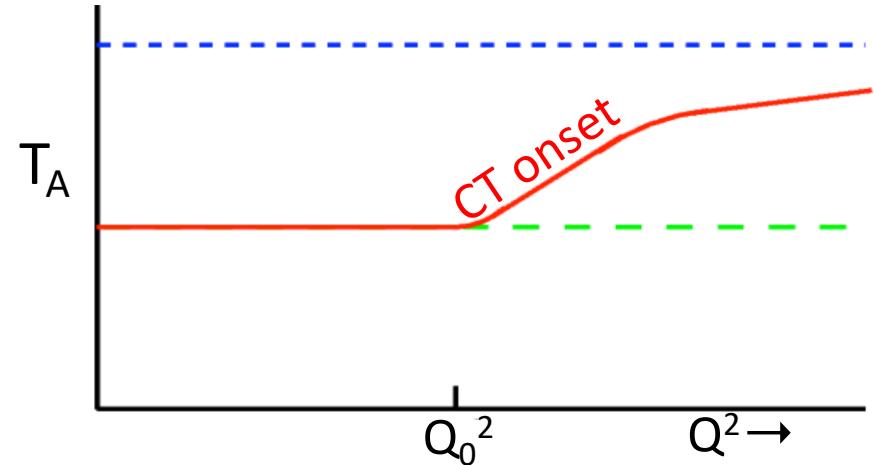
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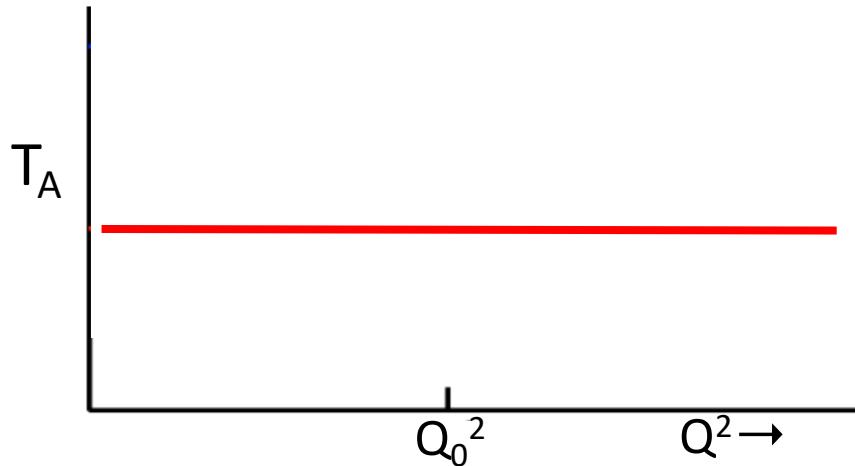
# Nuclear transparency

Probability knocked out proton in scattering to be deflected or absorbed.

$$T_A = \frac{\sigma_A}{A \sigma_N} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{(nuclear cross section)} \\ \text{(free nucleon cross section)} \end{array}$$

$$\sigma_A = \sigma_N A^\alpha$$

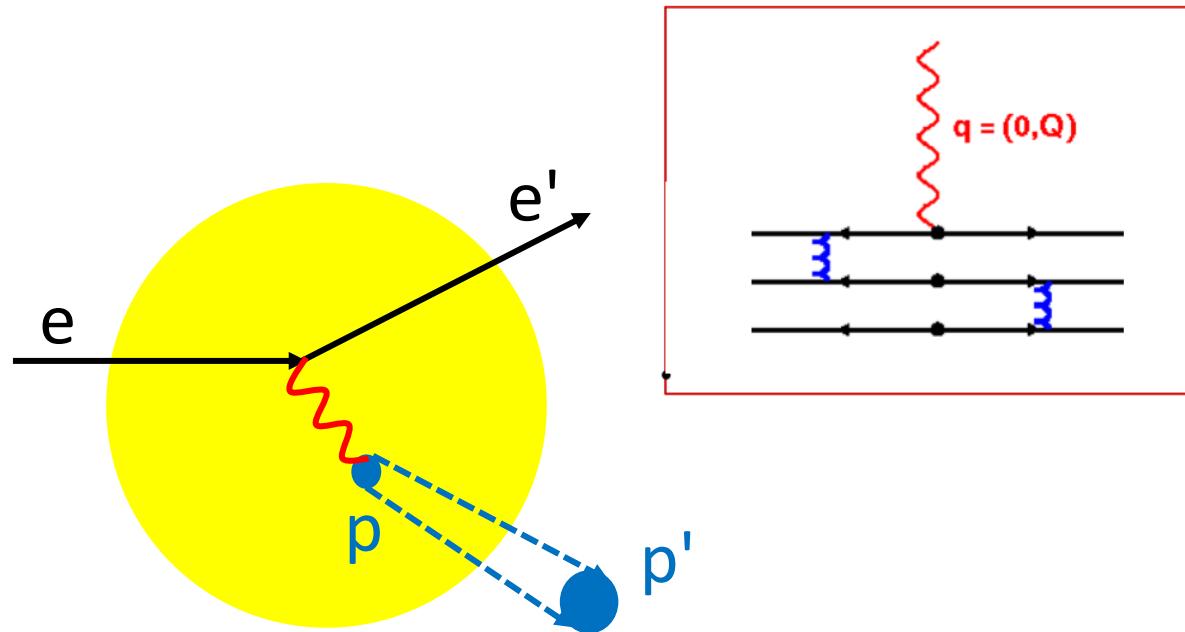
# Traditional nuclear physics calculations predict energy independent transparency



Transparency:

- scattering cross section
- Glauber multiple scattering
- Correlations and Final State Interaction (FSI) effects

# Color transparency fundamental prediction of QCD

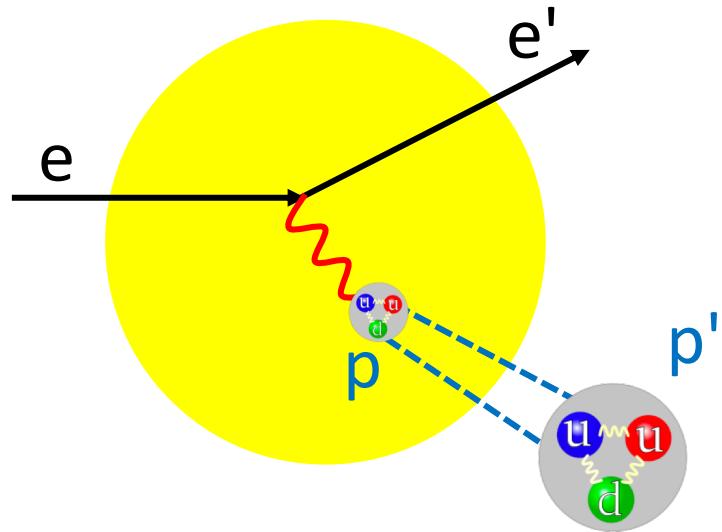


Introduced by Mueller and Brodsky, 1982

Vanishing of initial/final state interaction of hadrons with nuclear medium in exclusive processes at high momentum transfer

# Color transparency fundamental prediction of QCD

Quantum mechanics:  
Hadrons fluctuate to  
small transverse size  
(*squeezing, transferred  
momentum*)



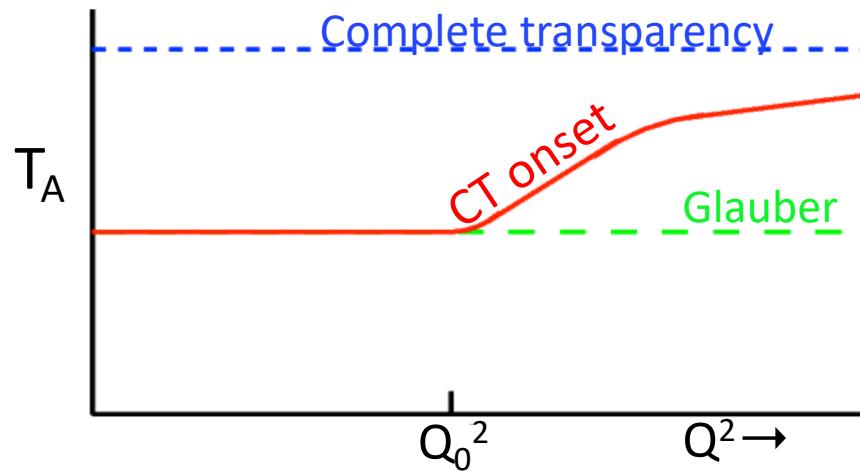
## Relativity:

Maintains this small  
size as it propagates  
out of the nucleus  
(*freezing, transferred  
energy*)

Strong force:  
Experience reduced  
attenuation in the nucleus,  
color screened

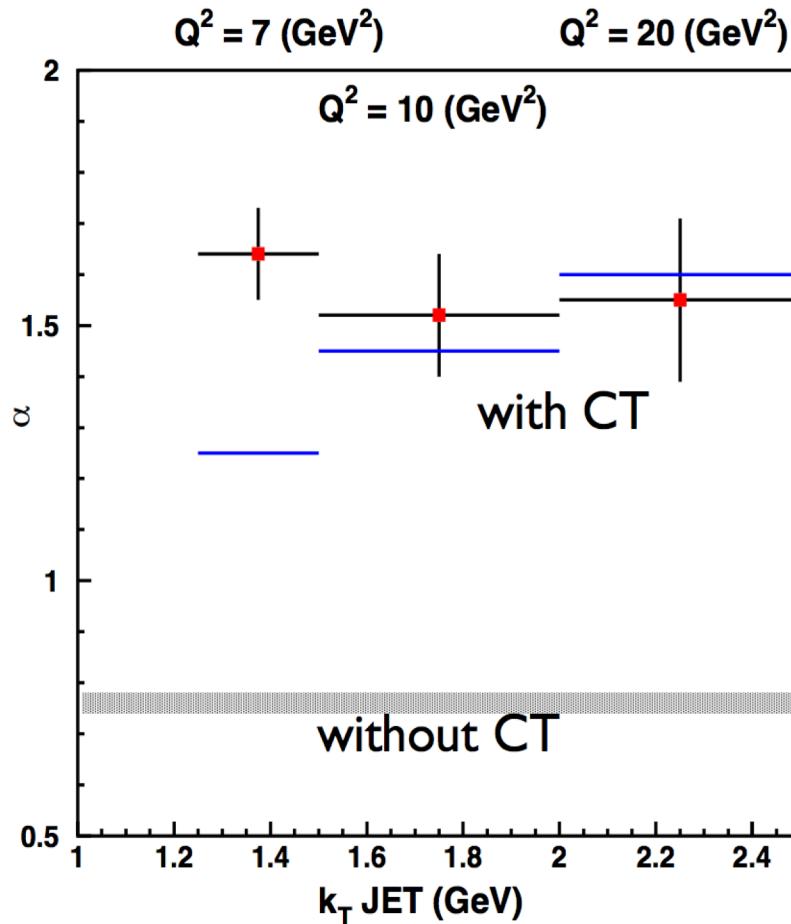
# Color transparency fundamental prediction of QCD

- Not predicted by strongly interacting hadronic picture → arises in picture of quark-gluon interactions
- QCD: color field of singlet objects vanishes as size is reduced
- Signature is a rise in nuclear transparency,  $T_A$ , as a function of the momentum transfer,  $Q^2$



# CT at high energies

Coherent diffractive dissociation of 500 GeV/c pions on C and Pt

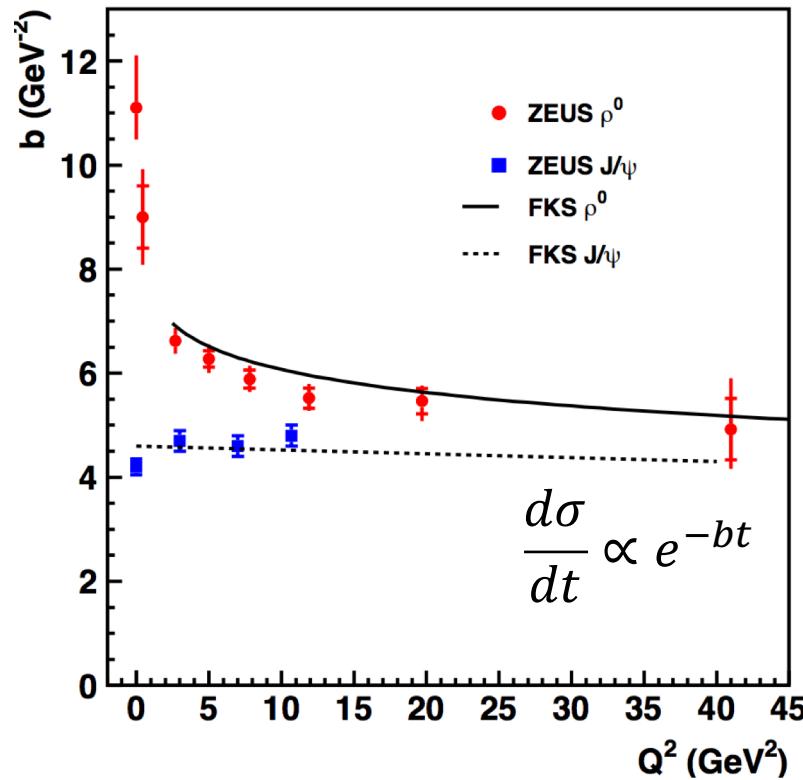


- Fit to  $\sigma = \sigma_0 A^\alpha$
- Pion-nucleus total cross section,  $\alpha=1.6$

CT predictions by L. L. Frankfurt,  
G. A. Miller, and M. Strikman,  
Phys. Lett. B304, 1 (1993)

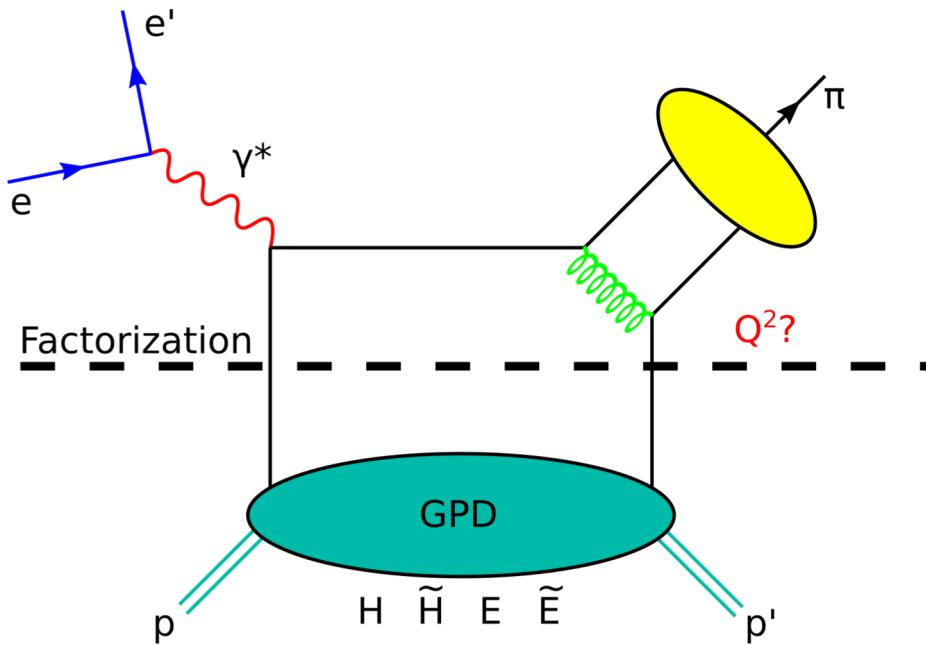
# CT at high energies

Vector meson production at HERA



Convergence of t-slope at large  $Q^2$  is seen to be related to presence of small configuration qq-bar

# CT relates to factorization

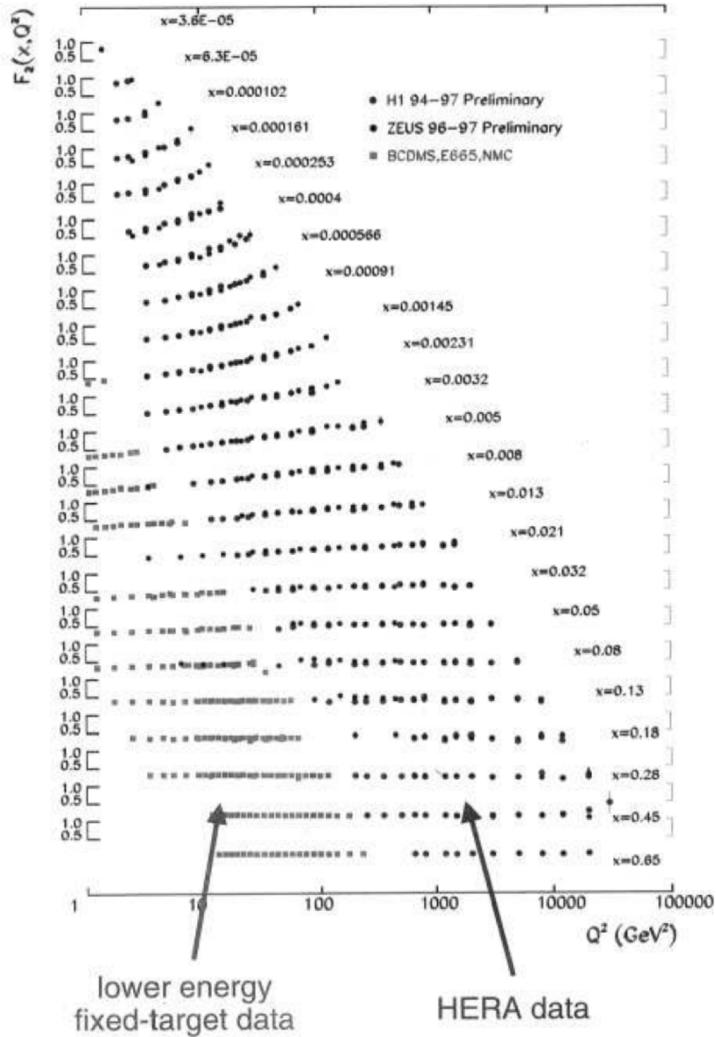


Color cancellation needed for **factorization**:

- > small objects
- > at high  $Q^2$ , small size object moves through nucleus

# CT at high energies

## $F_2(x, q^2)$ from HERA



DIS from heavy targets at high energies shows Bjorken scaling

evidence of no FSI  $\rightarrow$  CT?

# CT experiments

## CT experiments

### Baryon

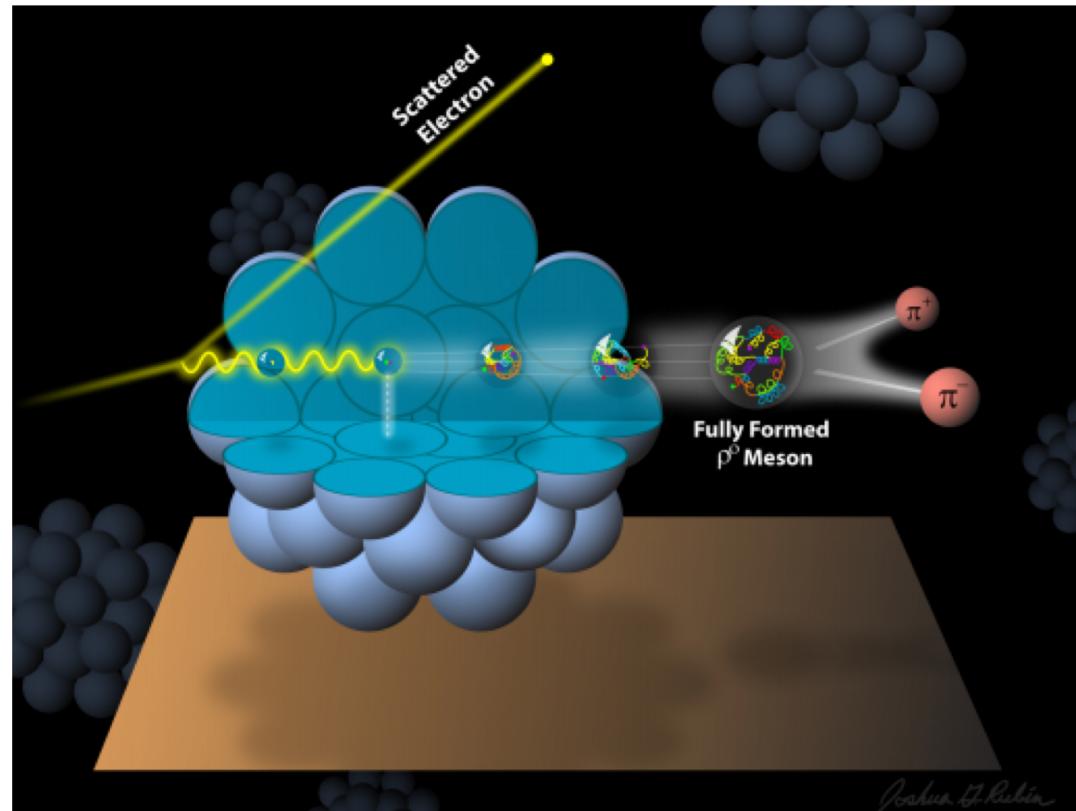


$A(p, 2p)$ : BNL  
 $A(e, e'p)$ : SLAC, JLab

### Meson



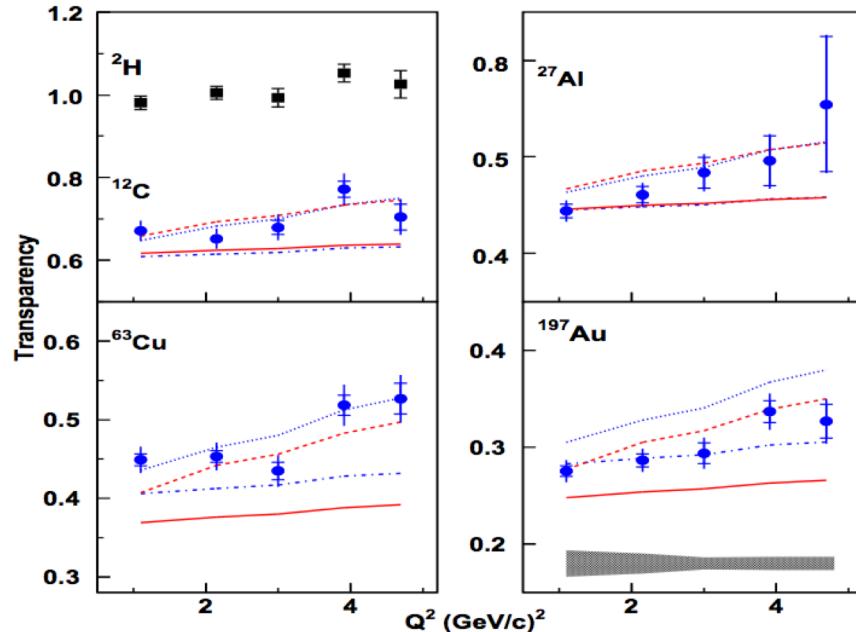
$A(\pi, \text{di-jet})$ : FNAL  
 $A(\gamma, \pi^- p)$ : JLab  
 $A(e, e'\pi^+)$ : JLab  
 $A(e, e'\rho^0)$ : DESY & JLab



# Previous Measurements: Mesons

Enhancements consistent with CT (increasing with  $Q^2$  and A) observed

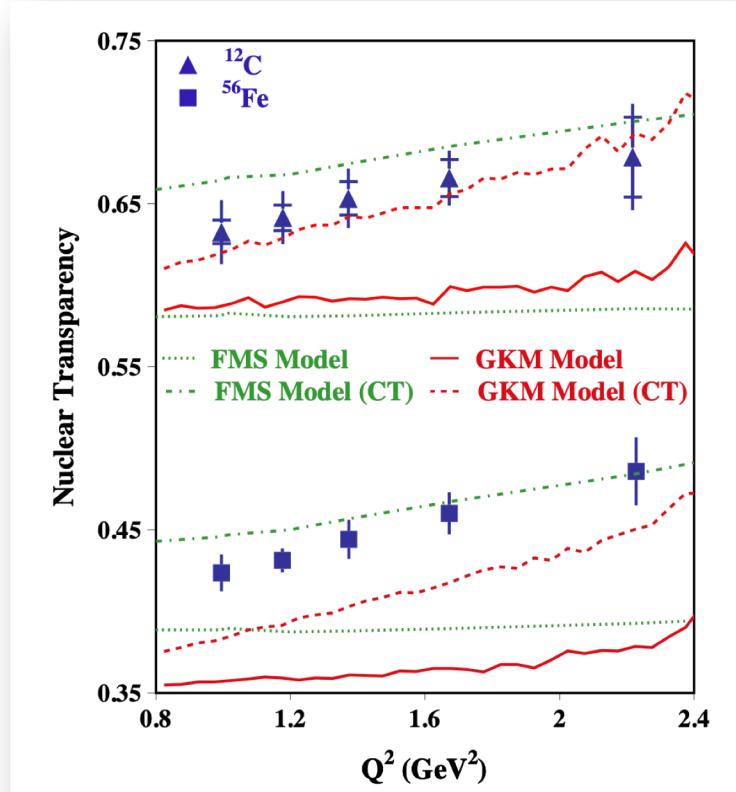
Hall C E01-107 pion electro-production  
 $A(e,e'\pi^+)$



B.Clasie *et al.* PRL 99:242502 (2007)

X. Qian *et al.* PRC81:055209 (2010)

CLAS E02-110 rho electro-production  
 $A(e,e'\rho^0)$

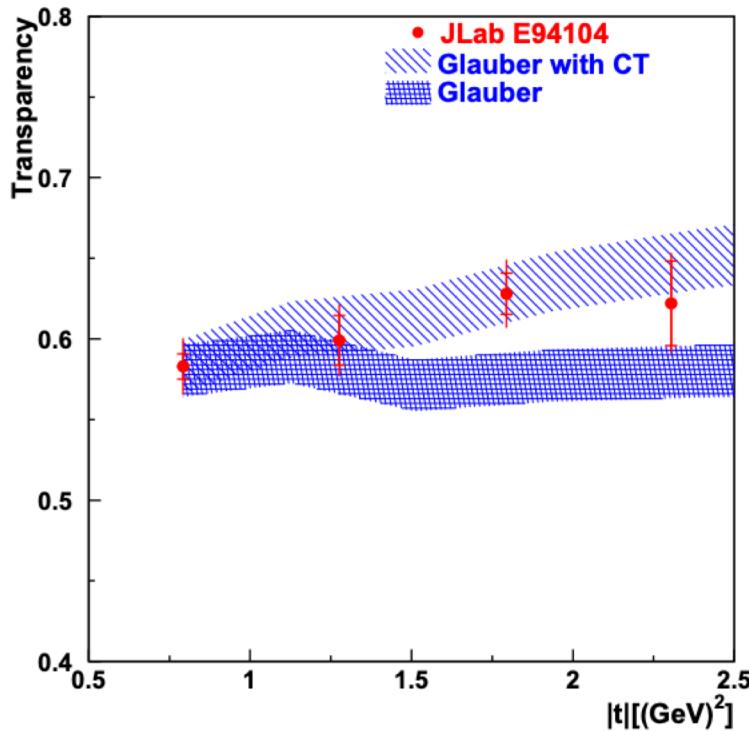


L. El Fassi *et al.* PLB 712,326 (2012)

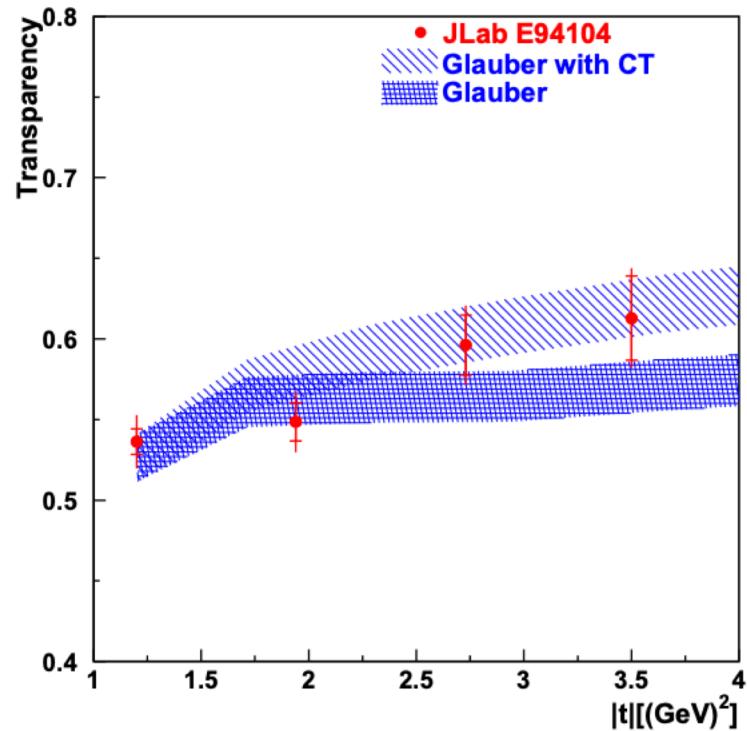
# Previous Measurements: Testing pion photoproduction

$\gamma n \rightarrow \pi^- p$  in 4He in Hall A

70° c.m. scattering

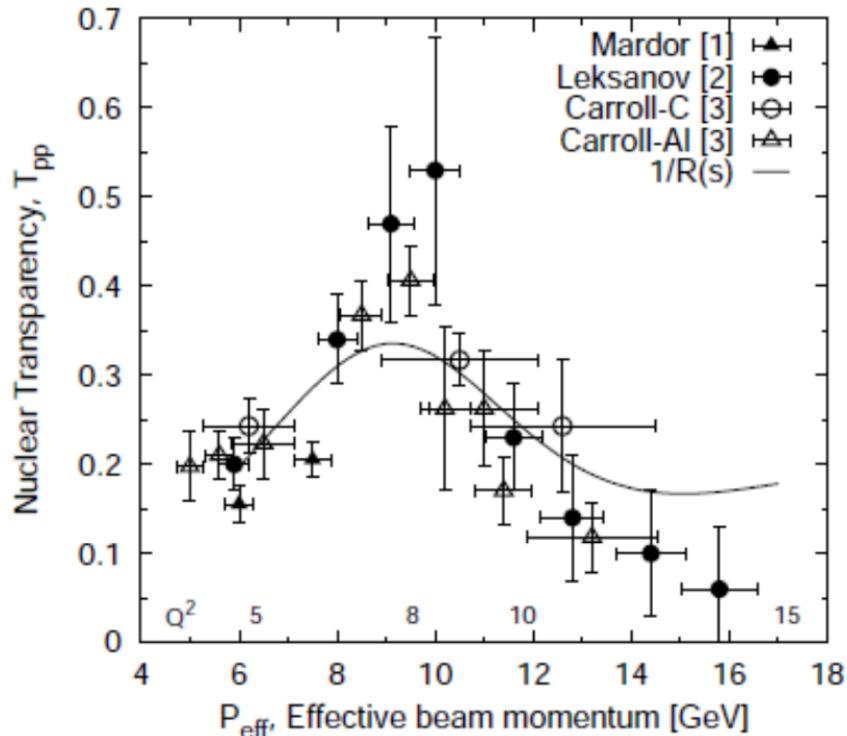


90° c.m. scattering



D. Dutta *et al.* PRC 68.021001 (2003)

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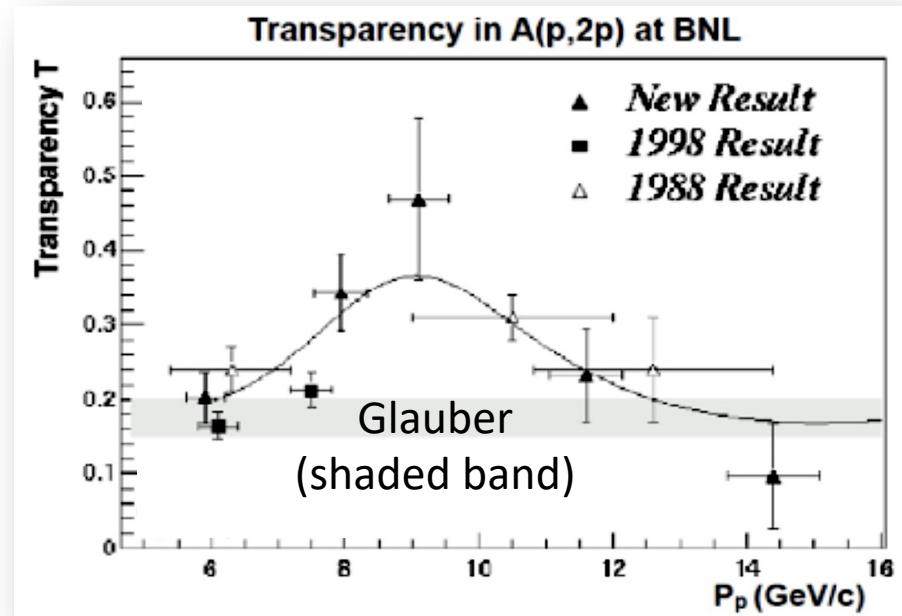


A. Leksanov et al. PRL 87 (2001)

J. L. S. Aclander et al., PRC 70 (2004)

Transparency in  $A(p,2p)$  experiment at Brookhaven:

- observed enhancement in transparency
- inconsistent with CT only
- could be explained by including nuclear filtering or charm resonance



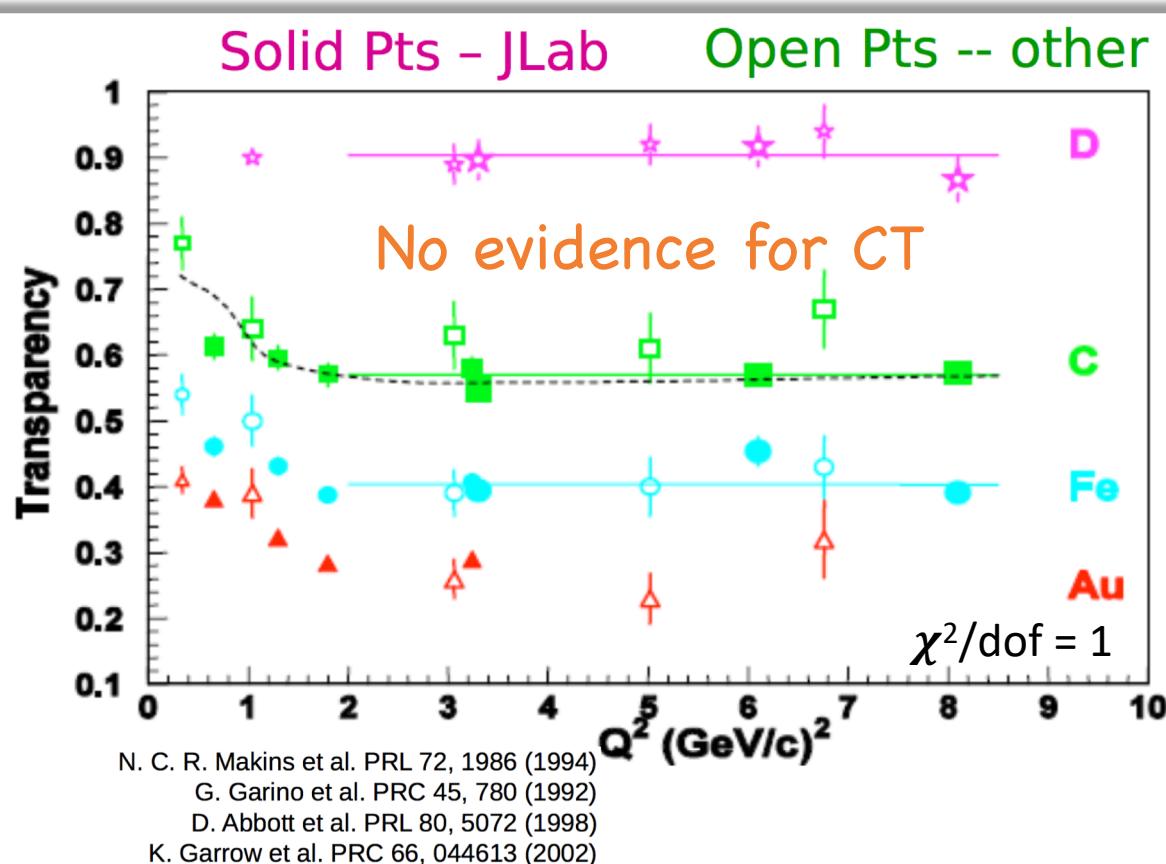
PRL 87, 212301 (2001)

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# Previous Measurements: Baryons

$A(e,e'p)$  results consistent with standard nuclear physics



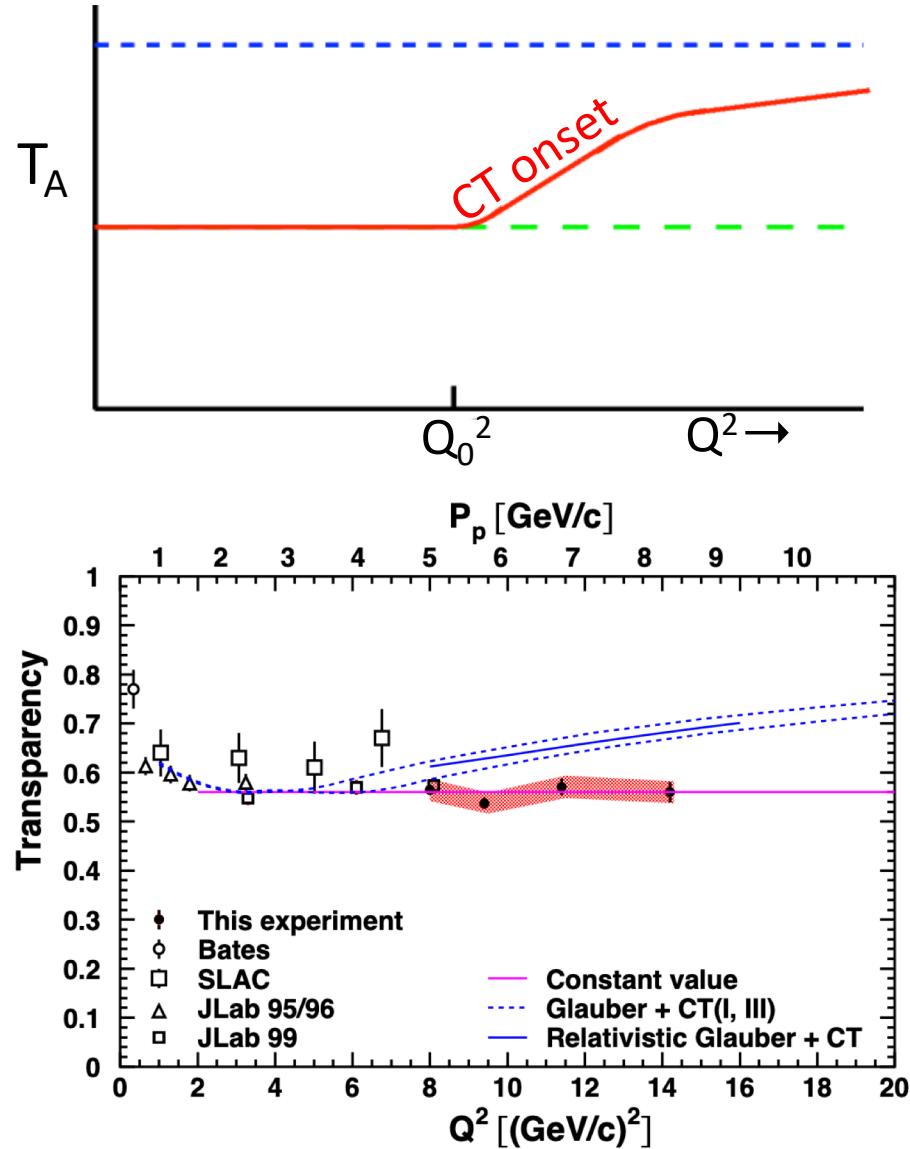
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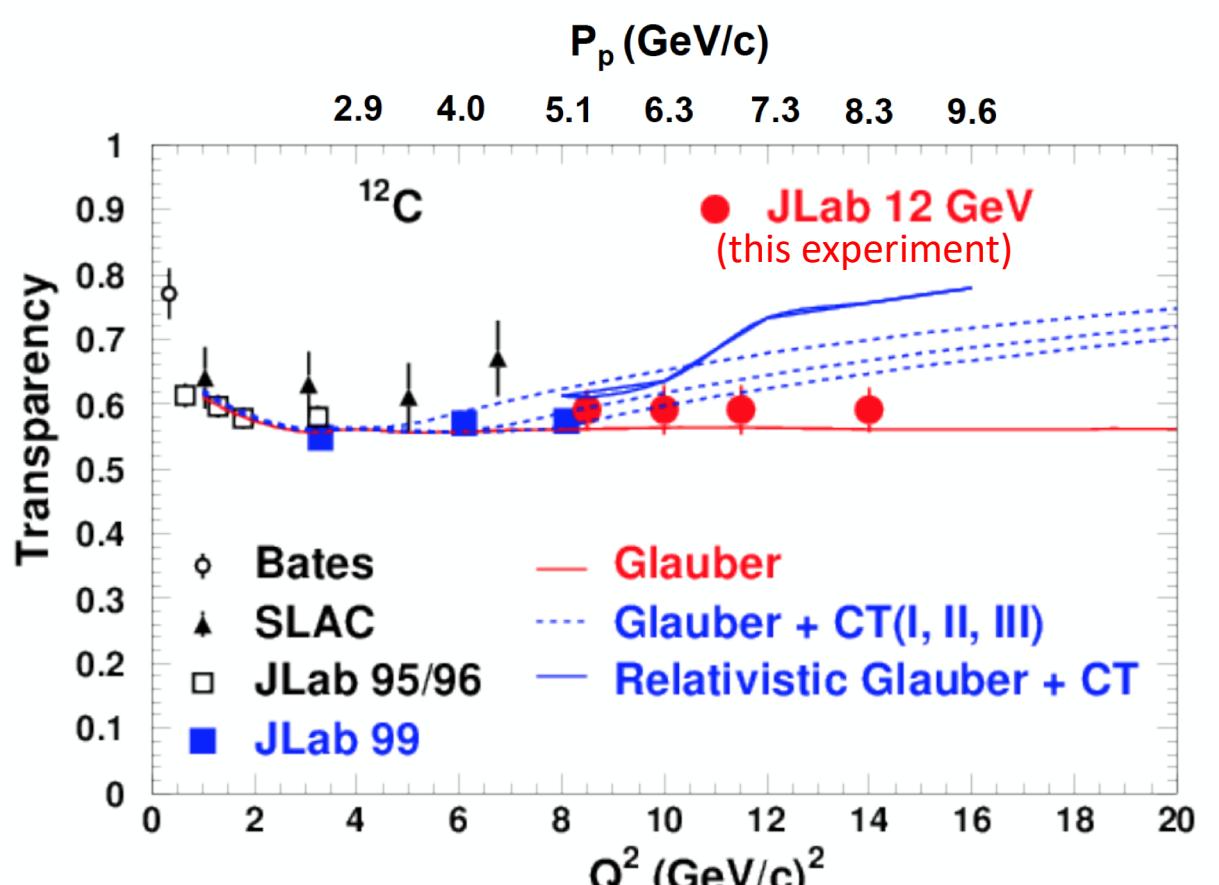
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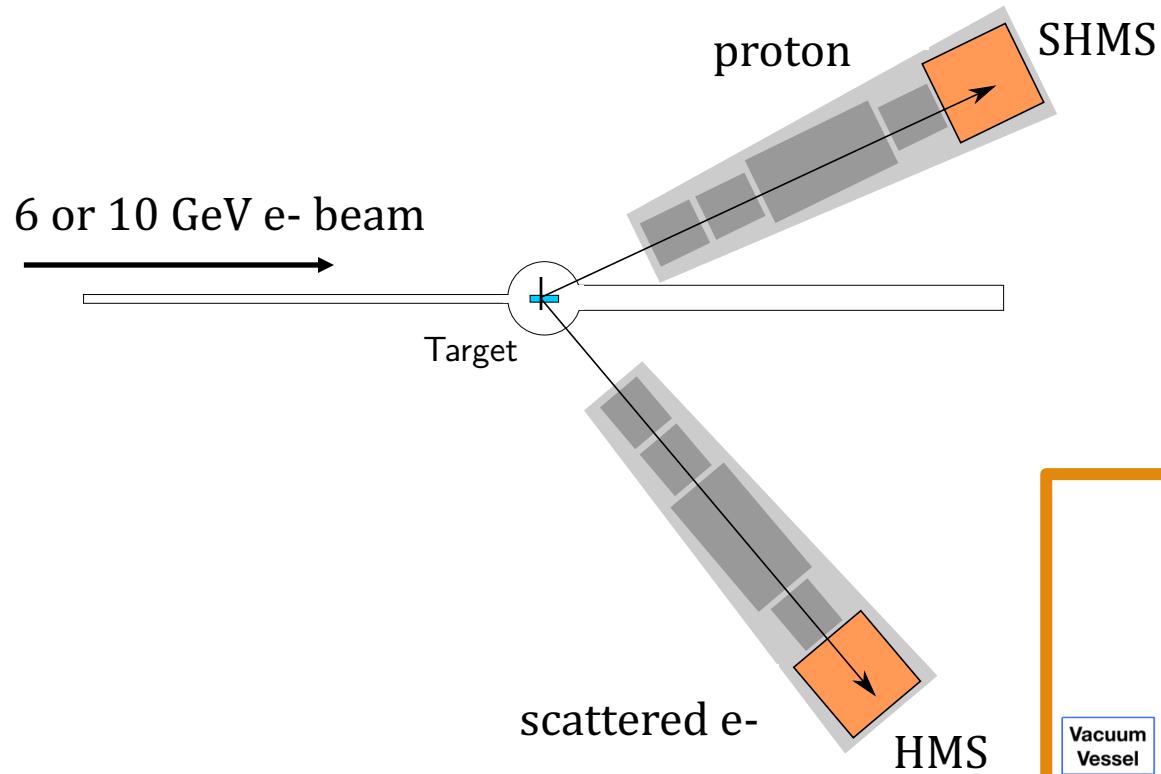
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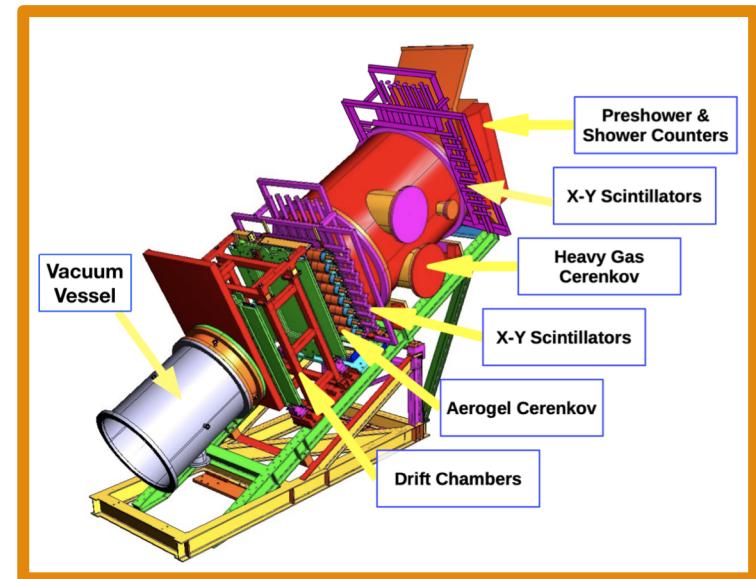
# $A(e,e'p)$ can reach higher proton momenta in 12 GeV upgrade



# CT in Hall C at Jefferson Lab



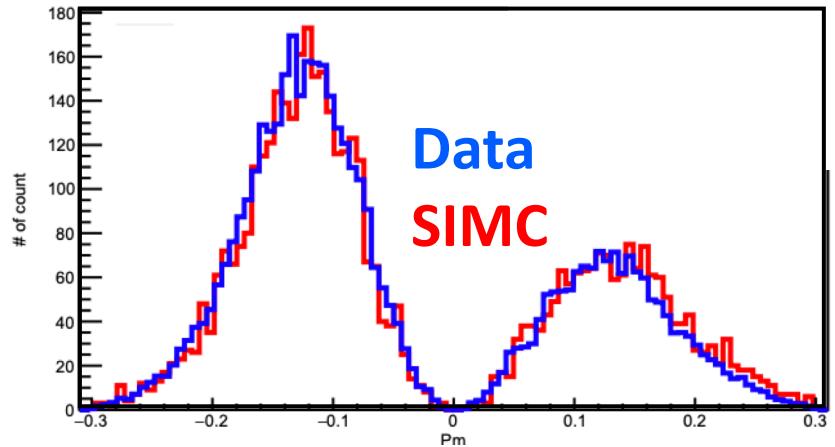
$$T(Q^2) = \frac{\int_V d^3 p_m dE_m Y_{\text{exp}}(E_m, \vec{p}_m)}{\int_V d^3 p_m dE_m Y_{\text{PWIA}}(E_m, \vec{p}_m)}$$



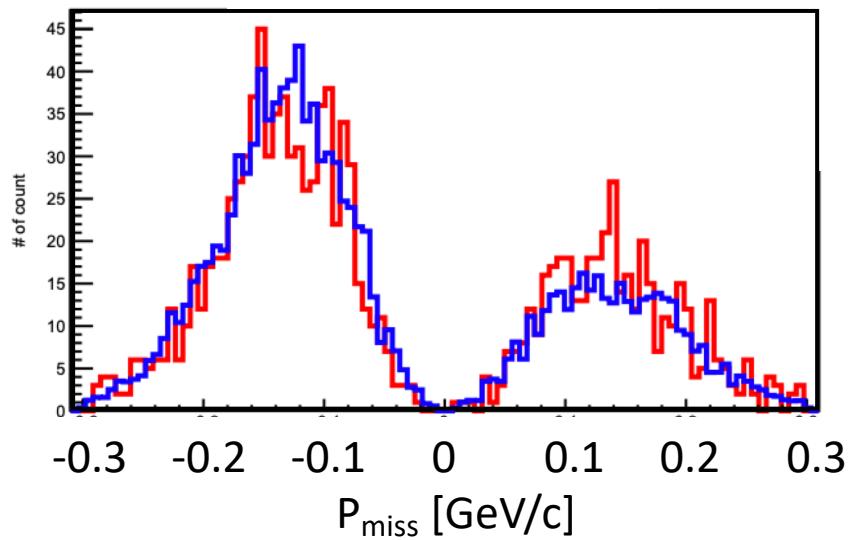
# Carbon missing momentum

$$\frac{d^6\sigma}{dE_{e'}d\Omega_{e'}dE_{p'}d\Omega_{p'}} = E_{p'}|p_{p'}|\sigma_{ep}S(E_m, \vec{p}_m)$$

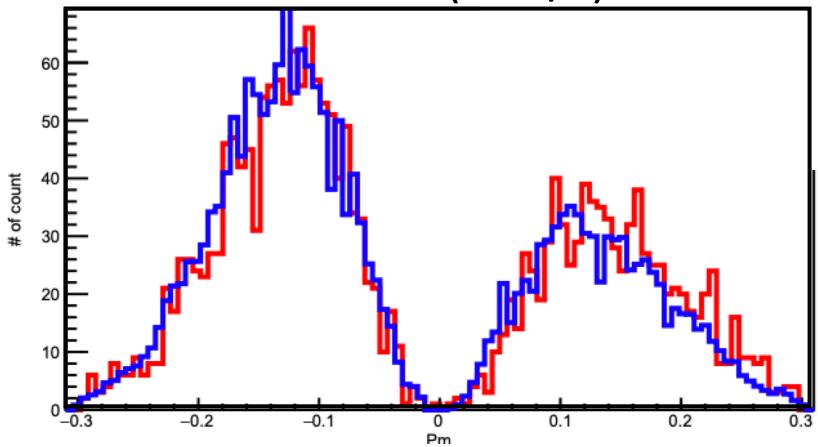
$Q^2 = 8 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$



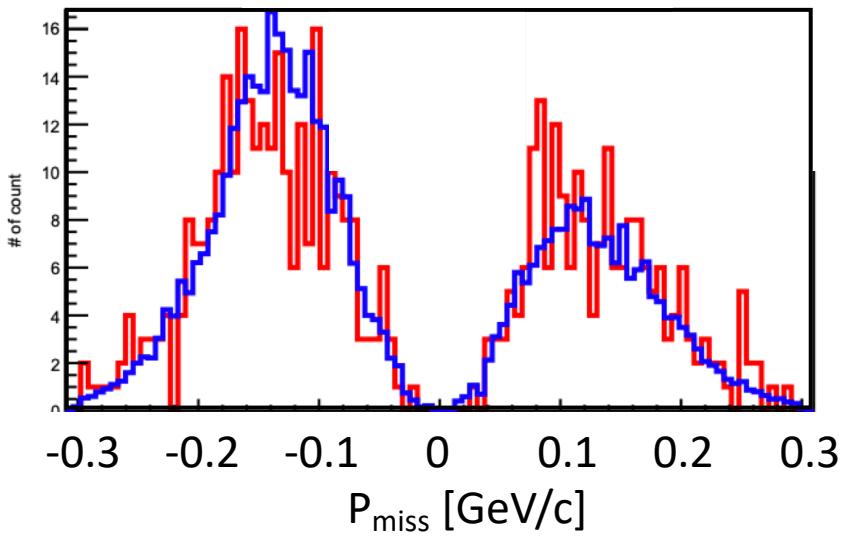
$Q^2 = 11.4 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$



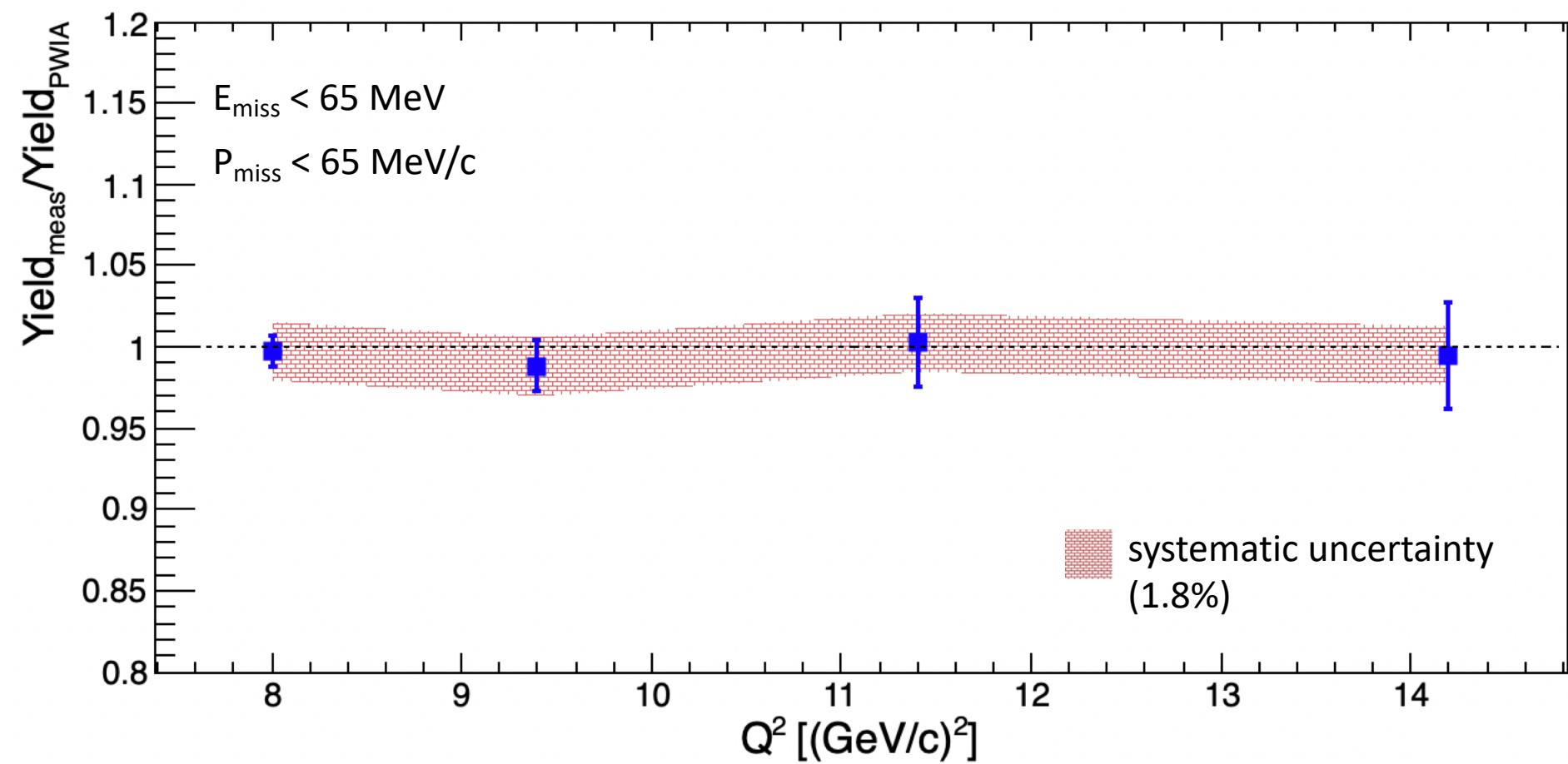
$Q^2 = 9.4 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$



$Q^2 = 14.3 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$



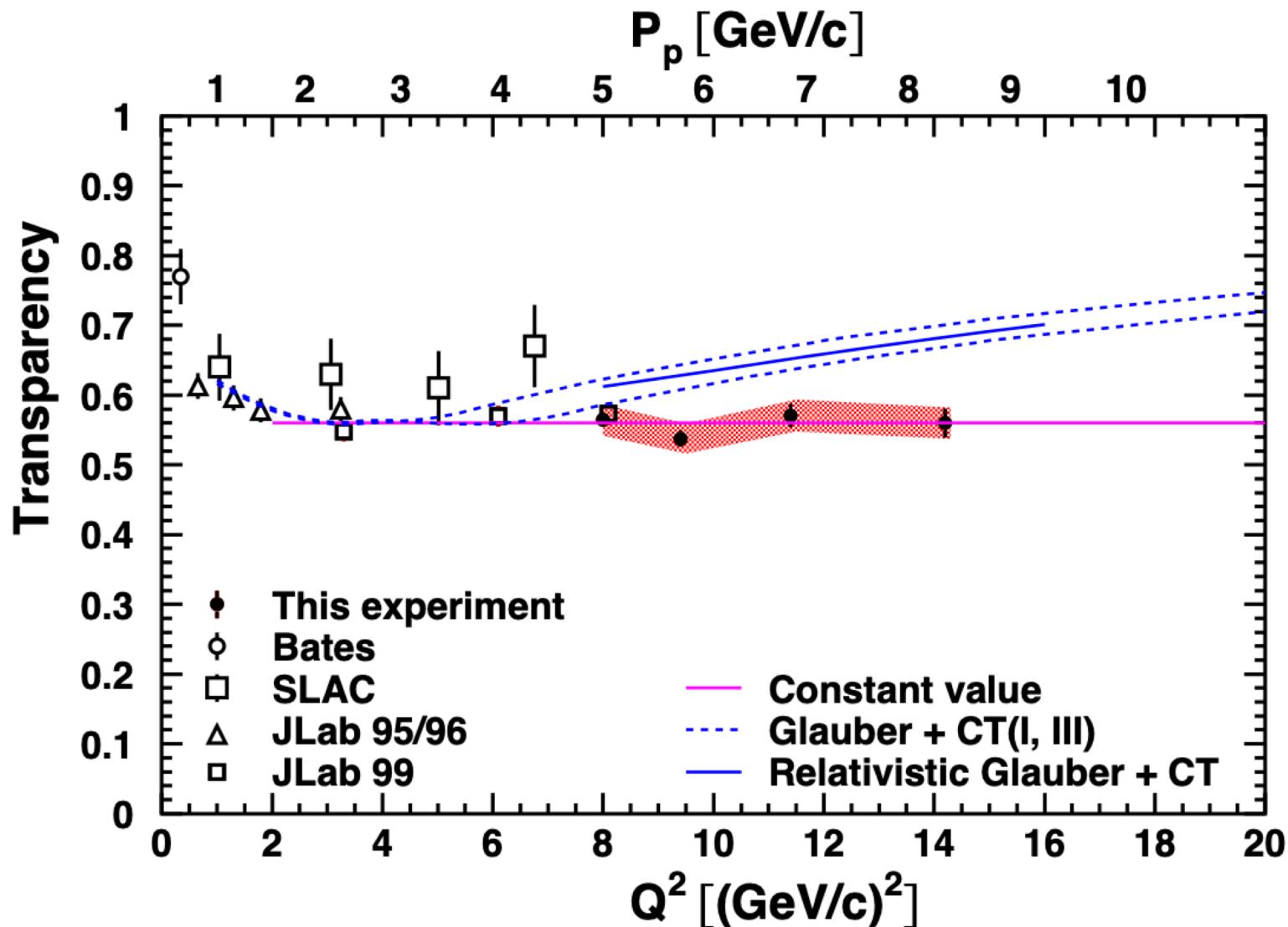
# Hydrogen yield



# Systematic uncertainty

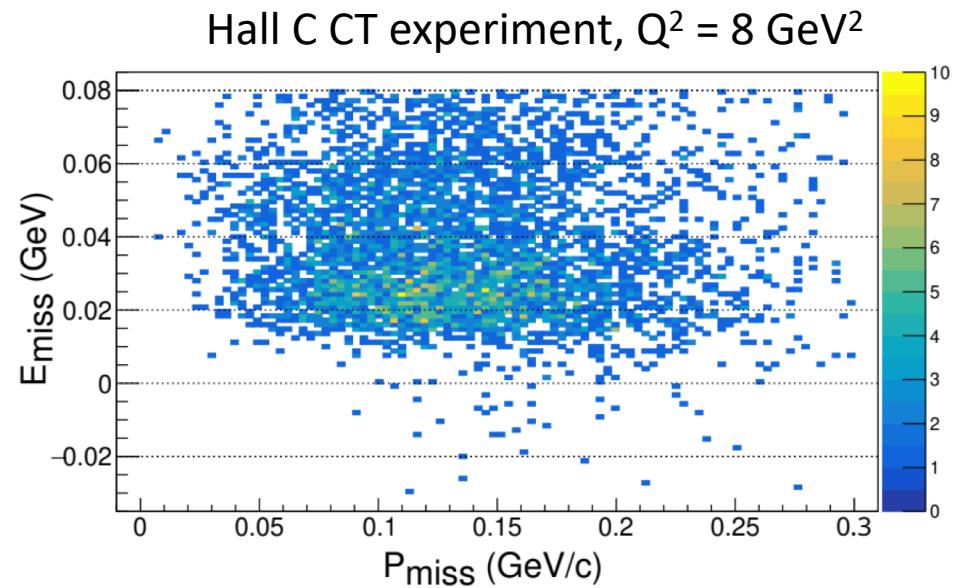
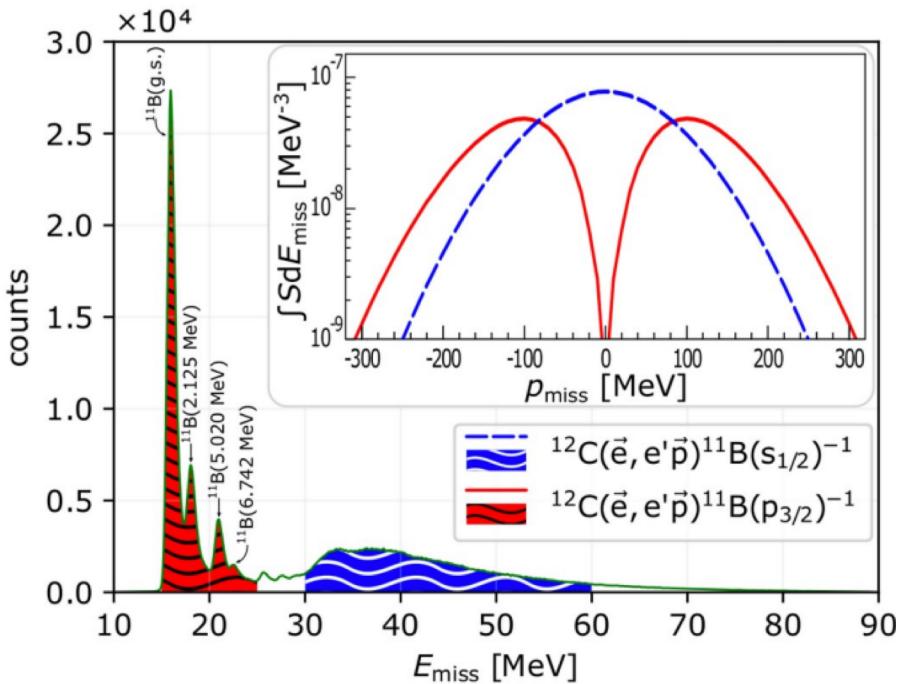
| Source                      | $Q^2$ dependent uncertainty (%) |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Spectrometer acceptance     | 2.6                             |
| Event selection             | 1.4                             |
| Tracking efficiency         | 0.5                             |
| Radiative corrections       | 1.0                             |
| Live time & Det. efficiency | 0.5                             |
| Source                      | Normalization uncertainty (%)   |
| Elastic $ep$ cross section  | 1.8                             |
| Target thickness            | 0.5                             |
| Beam charge                 | 1.0                             |
| Proton absorption           | 1.2                             |
| Total                       | 4.0                             |

# No observation of the onset of CT



# Checking for shell dependent transparency

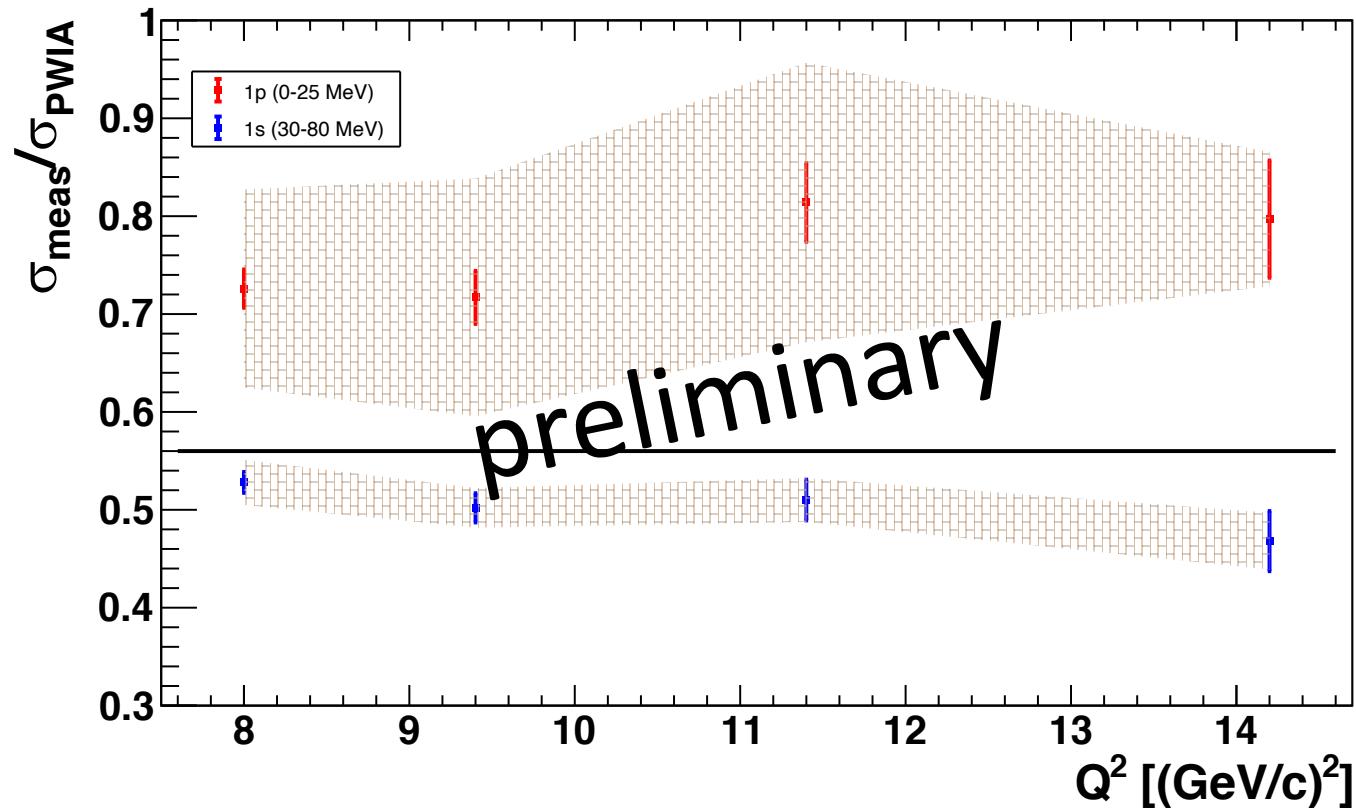
Predicted by L. Frankfurt, M. Strikman, and M. Zhalov, Nuclear Physics A, vol. 515, no. 4, 1990, pp. 599–608.



D. Izraeli et al., PLB, vol. 781, Jun 2018, p. 95–98

# 1s- and 1p- shell transparency

Courtesy of D. Bhetuwal



Seems to be an apparent issue with the cut dependence

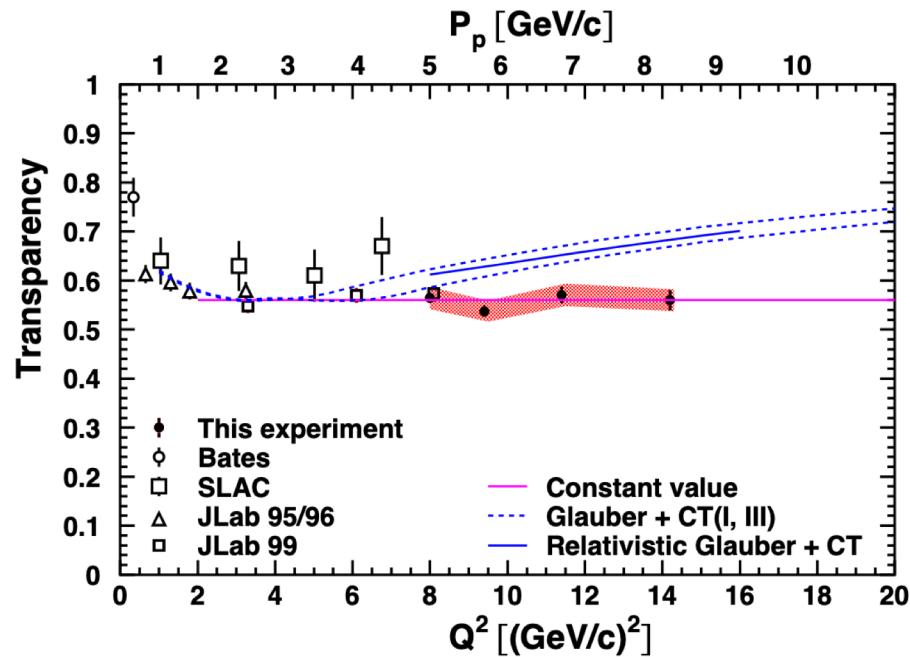
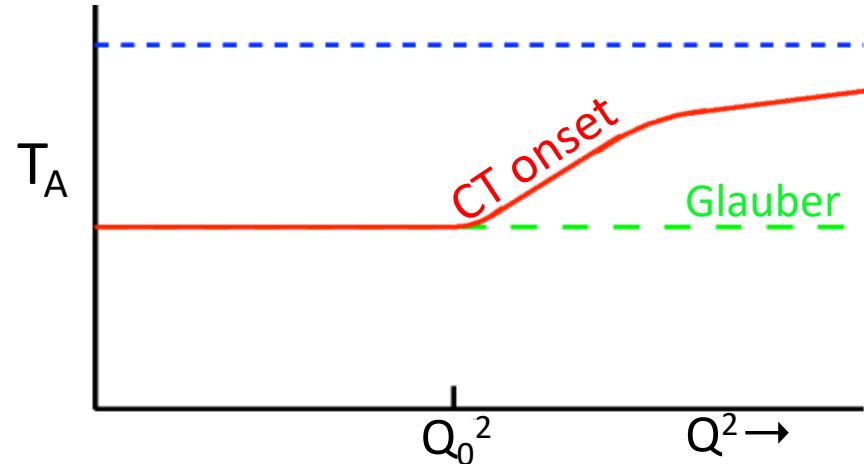
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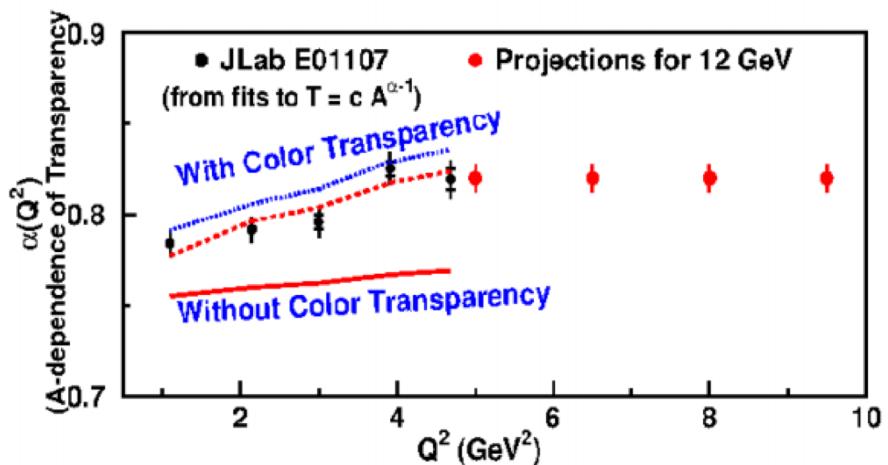
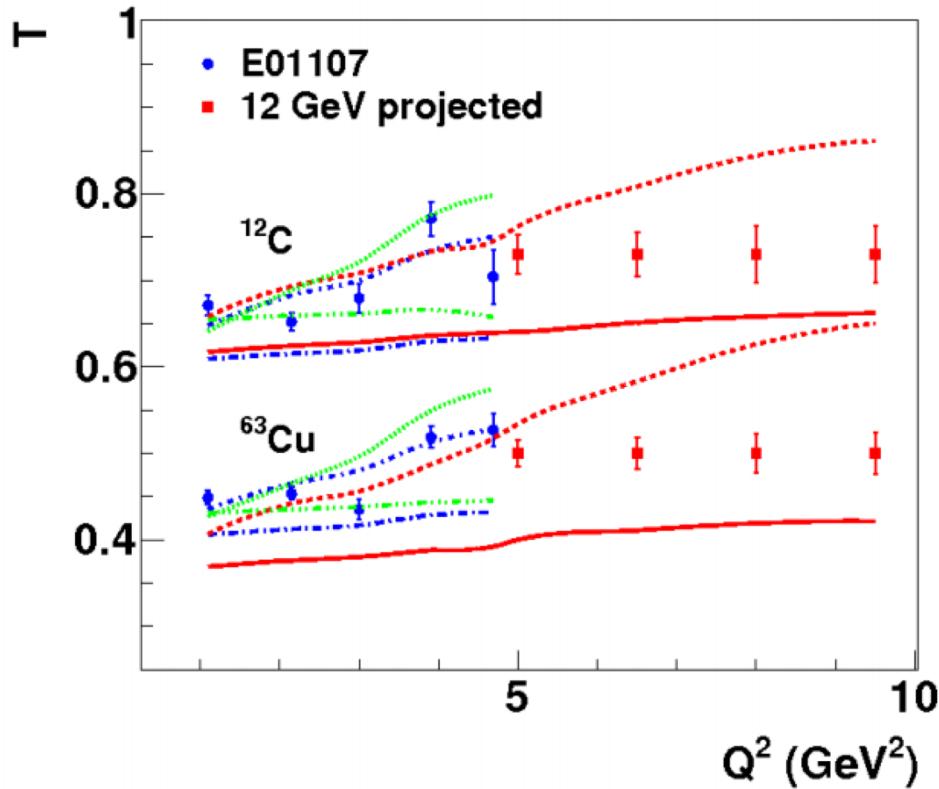
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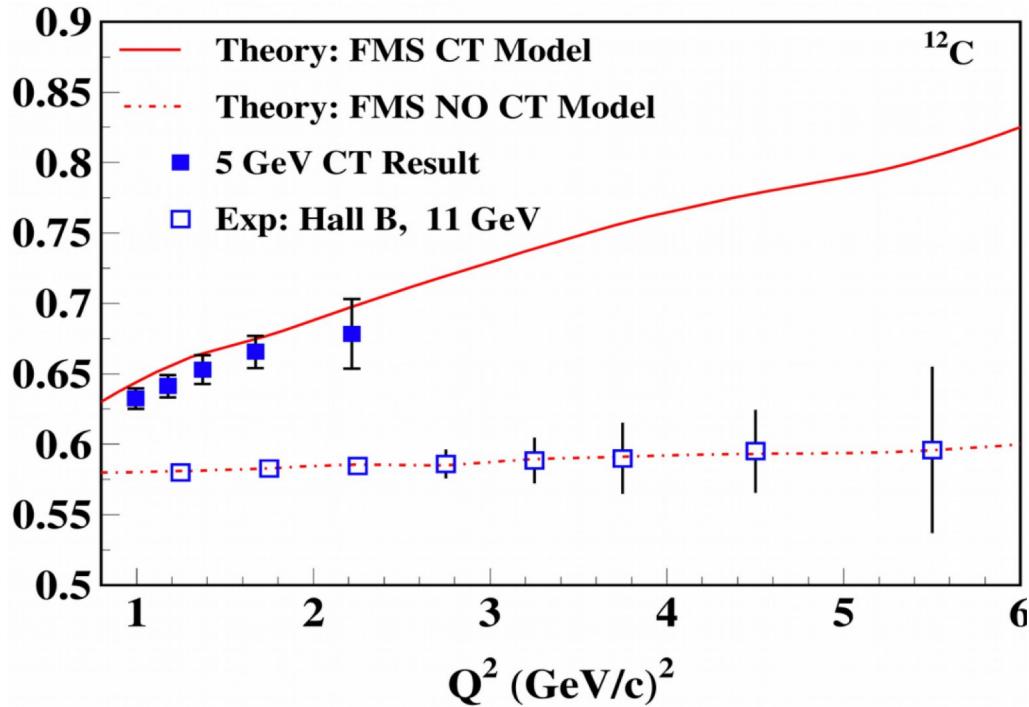
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Measure the onset in pion electro-production over large momentum range in Hall C



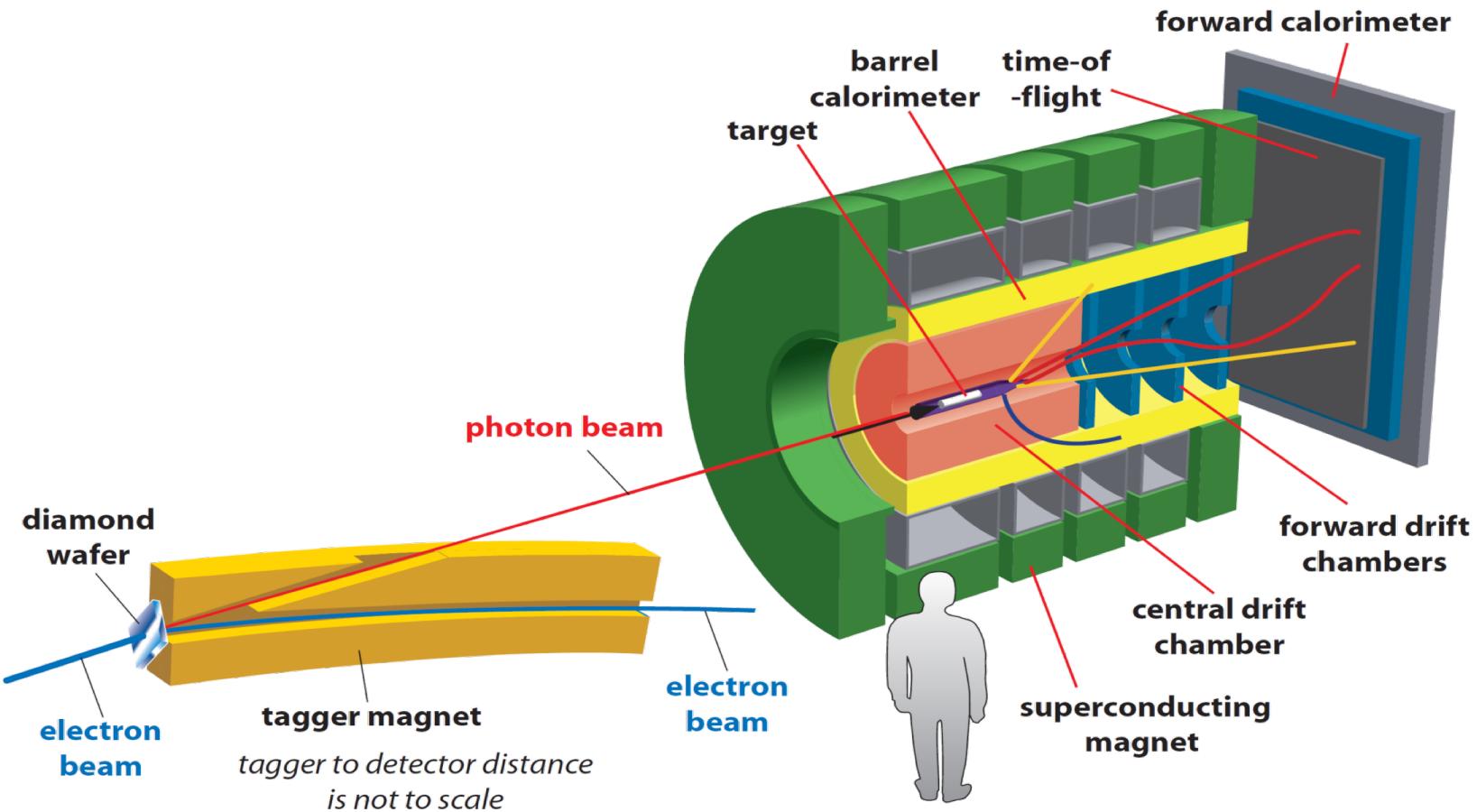
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Rho transparency measurements will be extended to highest  $Q^2$  in Hall B



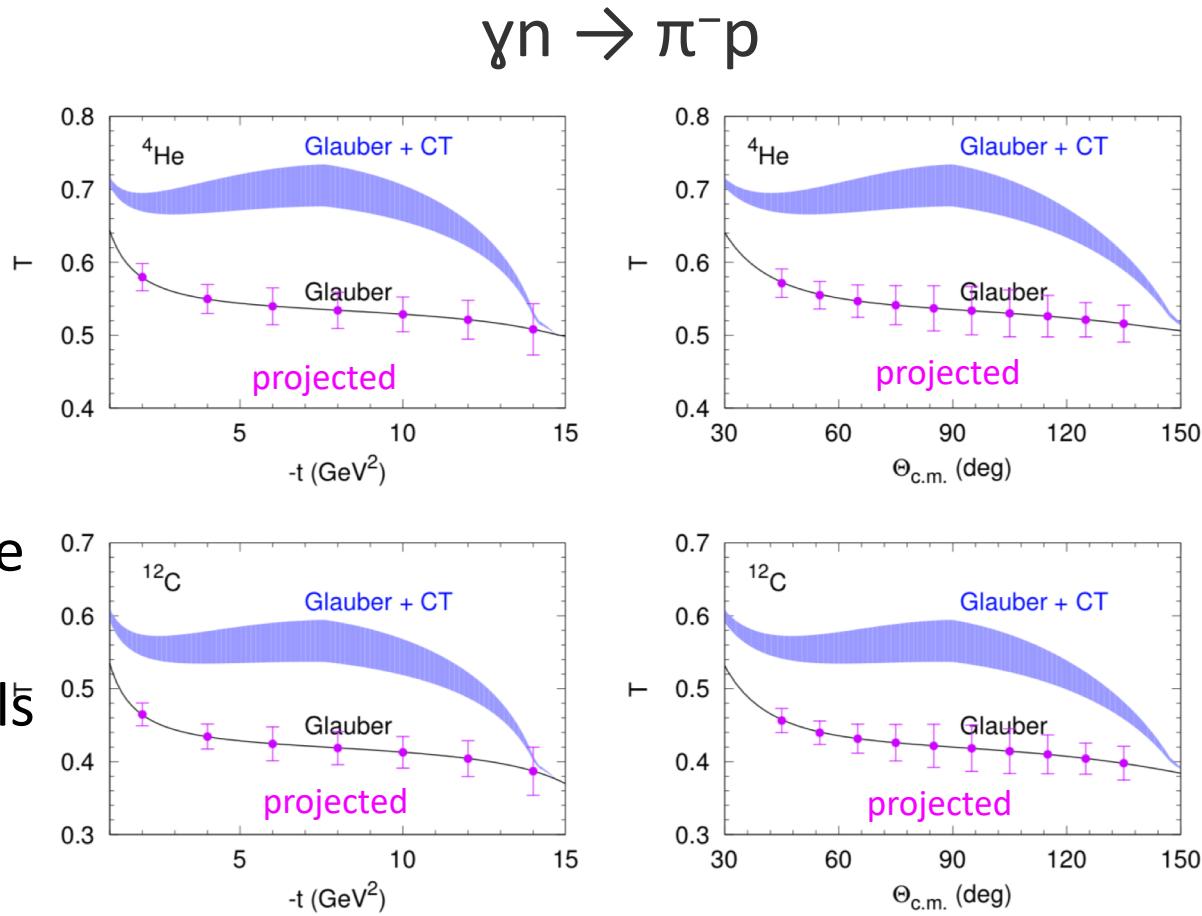
# CT in Hall D using photoproduction running Fall 2021!

Targets:  $^2\text{H}$ ,  $^4\text{He}$ ,  $^{12}\text{C}$ ,  $^{63}\text{Cu}$

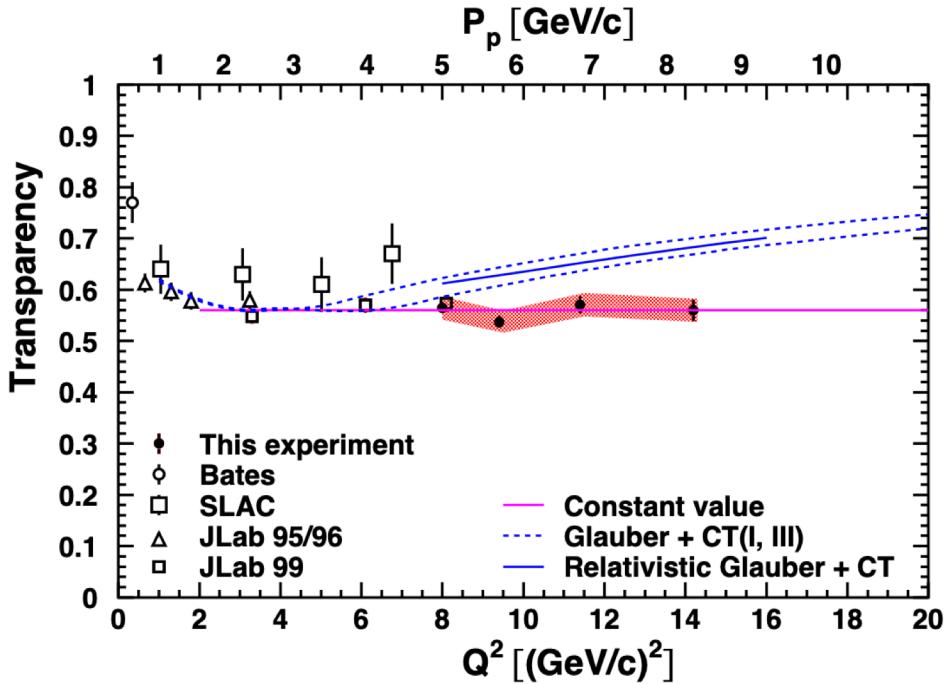


# CT in Hall D using photoproduction

- High photon energy (freezing)
- Extends t-range (3.5 to >10 !)
- Extended  $\theta_{\text{c.m.}}$  coverage
- Many reaction channels (mesons and baryons)
- Ratios taken from data



# Summary and outlook



Recent measurement will lead to new understanding!

- Caplow-Munro, Miller  
2104.11168 (previous talk)
- Two-stage CT, Brodsky & Teramond (next talk)

Next stage experiments will measure CT effects with different reaction mechanisms and precision

