

# The EMC Effect for Tritium and Helium-3 from MARATHON

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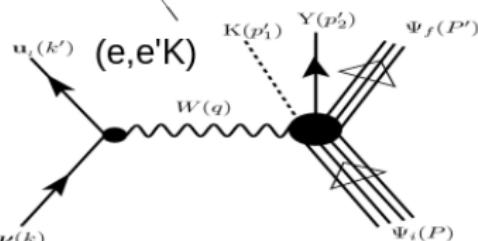
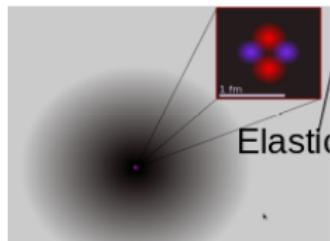
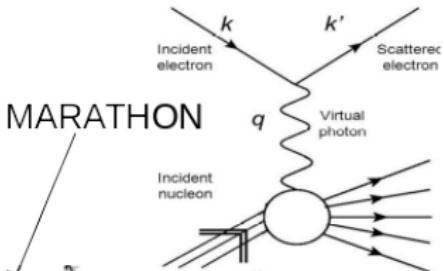
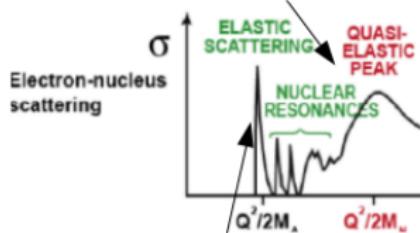
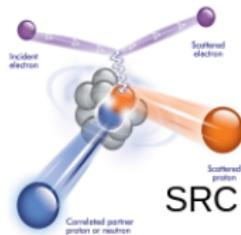
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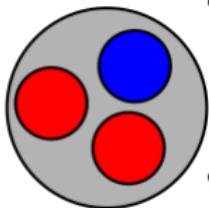
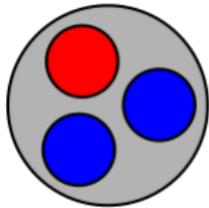
# Outline

# Tritium Experiments



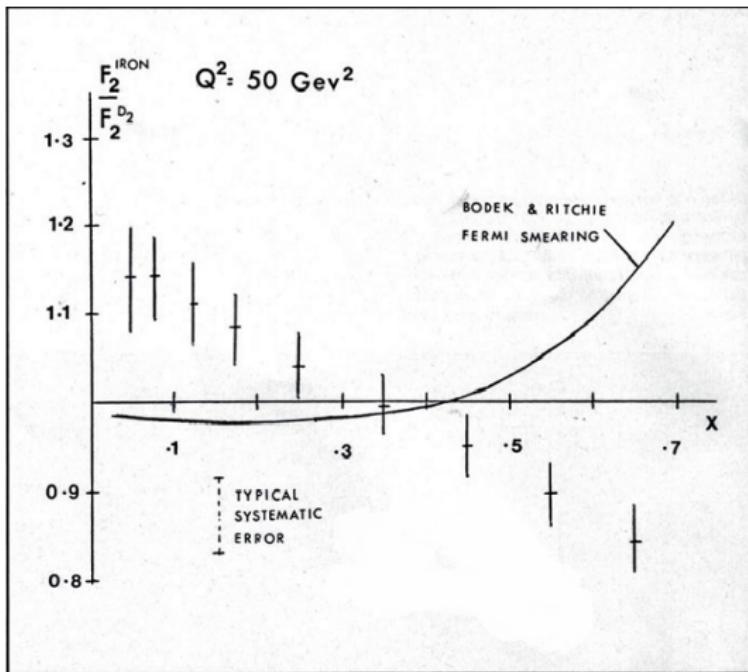
# MARATHON

MeAsurement of  $F_2^n/F_2^p$ ,  $d/u$  RAtios and  $A = 3$  EMC Effect in Deep Inelastic Electron Scattering off the Tritium and Helium MirOr Nuclei.



- Lightest and simplest mirror system
  - ▶ Number of protons in  ${}^3H$  = neutrons in  ${}^3He$
- Differences in the nuclear effects are small

# The EMC Effect

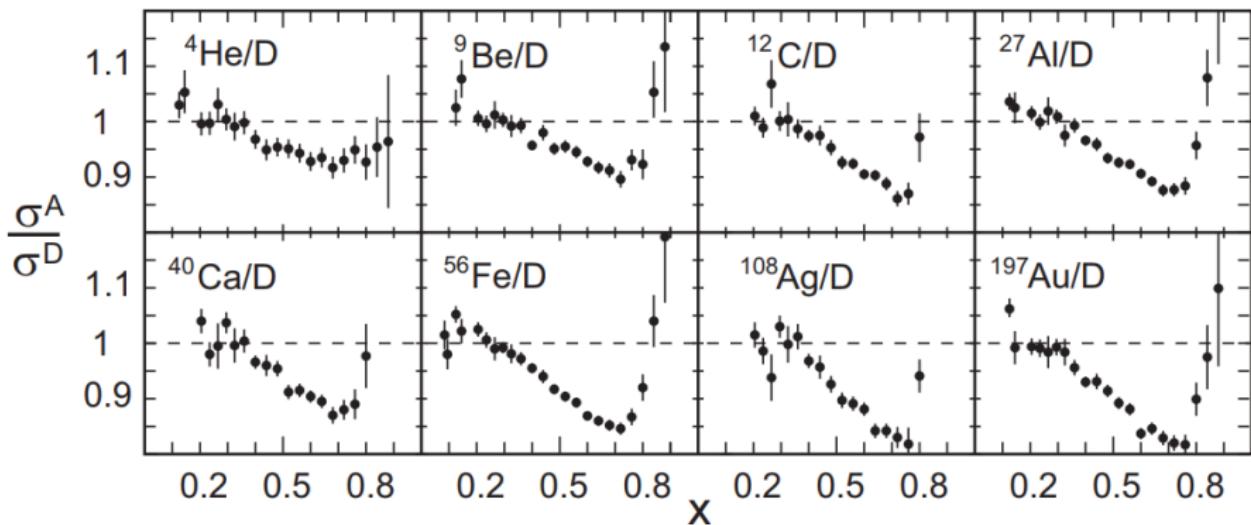


## European Muon Collaboration

- Expected Unity → Binding < interaction
- $F^A = Z \cdot F^p + (A - Z) \cdot F^n$
- Unexpected Relative Decrease
- EMC Effect  $\equiv$  magnitude of the decrease

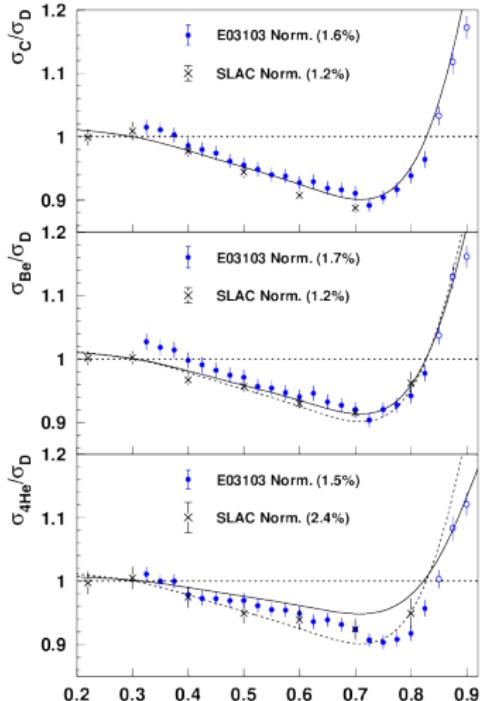
# EMC Effect

SLAC experiment E139 [J. Gomez et al., 1994] .



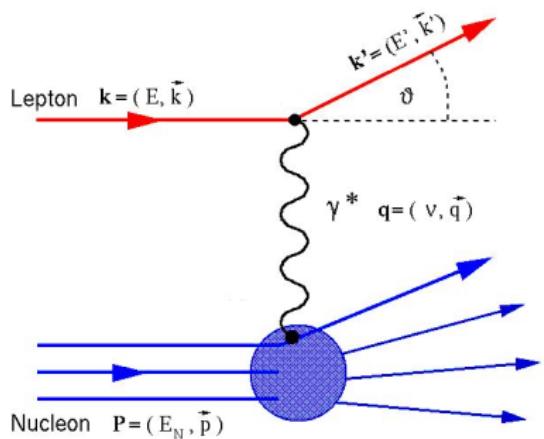
# EMC Effect

JLab experiment E03103  
[J.Seely, A. Daniel et al]



- Studied for last 30+ years
- CERN, SLAC, HERMES, BCDMS, and JLab
- Slope of A/D Ratios from 0.3 - 0.7 in  $x$
- $\approx \log$  dependence in  $A$
- Models have difficulty matching data for all criteria

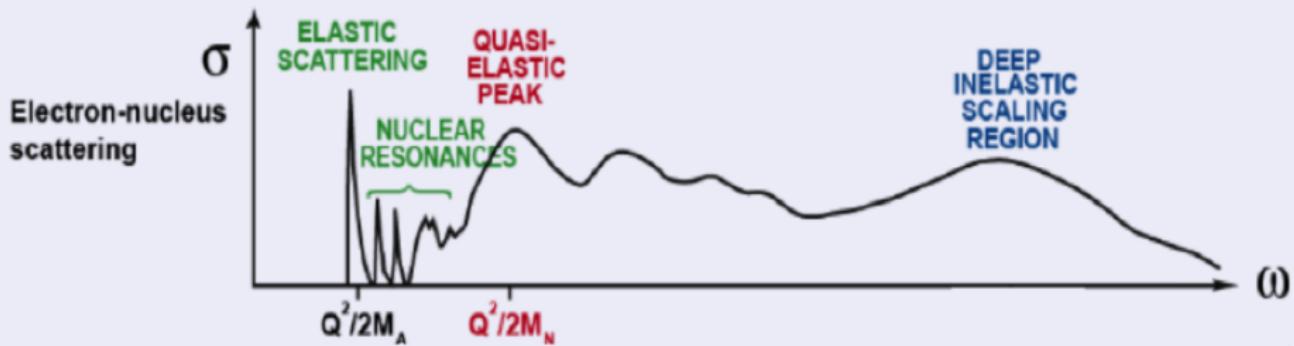
# Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS)



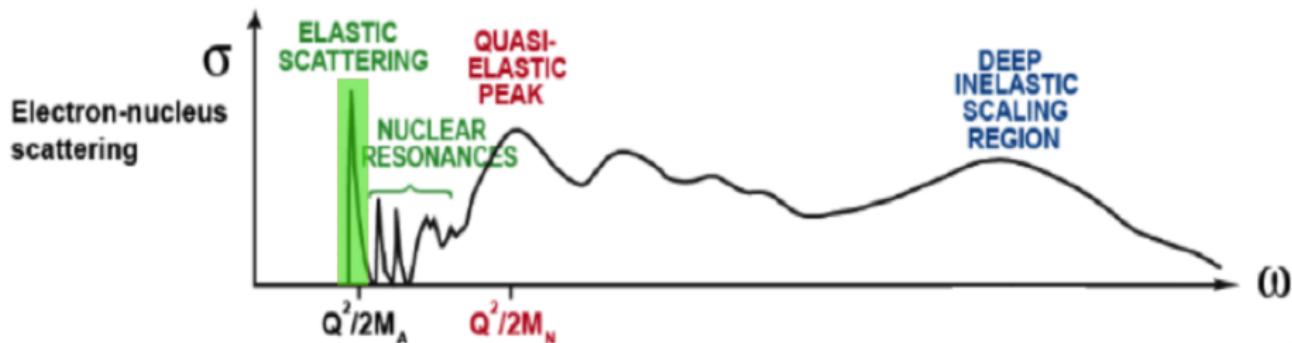
- $Q^2 \equiv 4EE' \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$
- $X_{Bj} = \frac{Q^2}{2\nu M}$
- $W^2 = 2M\nu + M^2 - Q^2$
- $W^2 > 1$  Inelastic Scattering

$$\sigma_{eN} = \frac{\alpha^2}{4E^2 \sin^4(\frac{\theta}{2})} \left[ \frac{F_2(Q^2, \nu)}{\nu} \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + \frac{2F_1(Q^2, \nu)}{M} \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right]$$

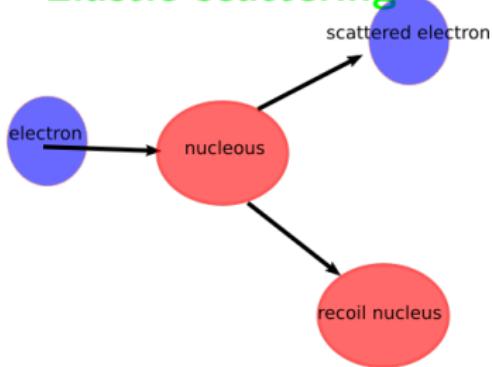
DIS ??????

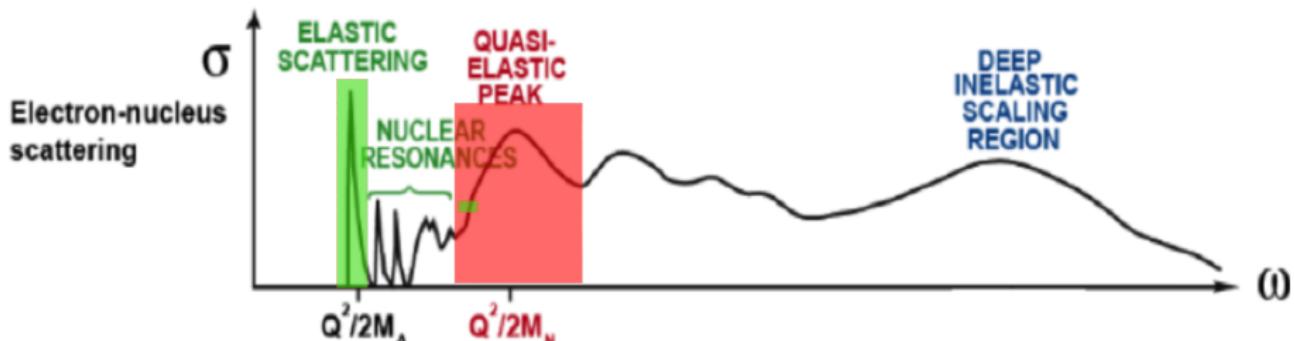


[?].

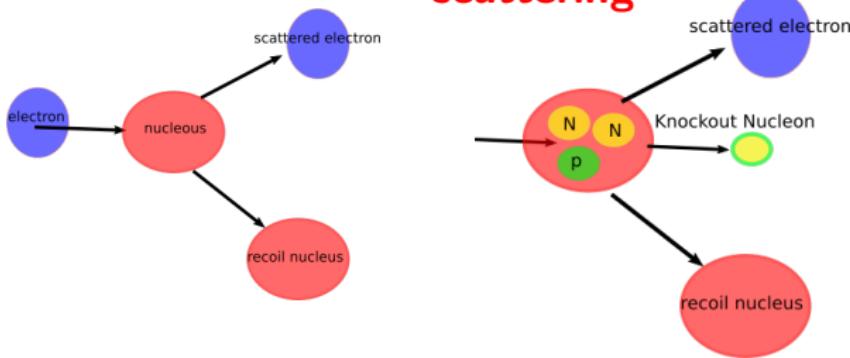


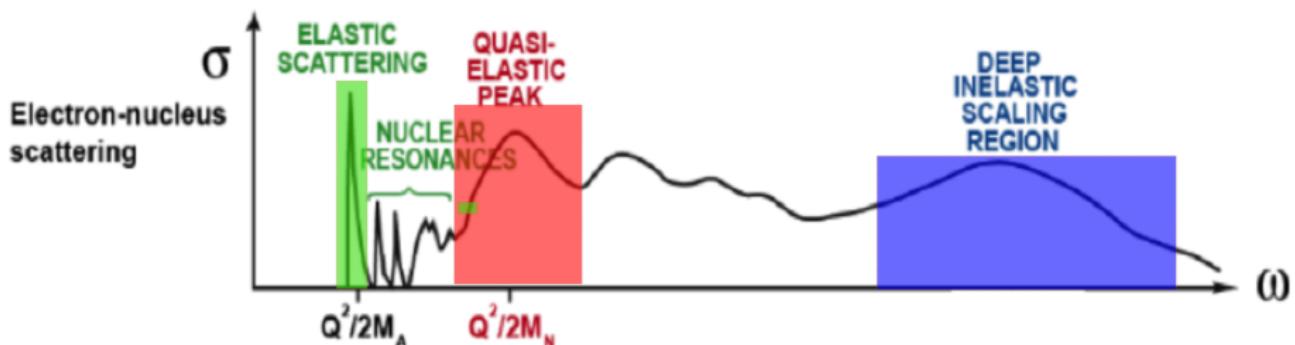
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- Quasielastic scattering

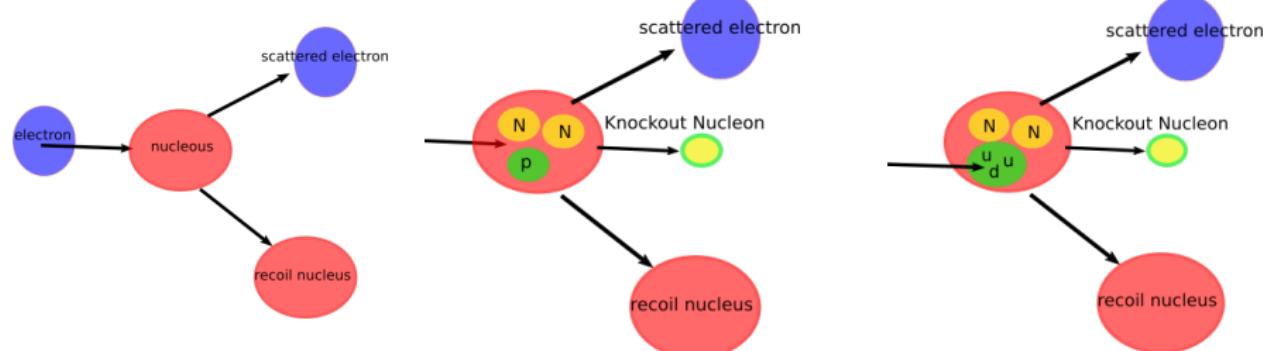




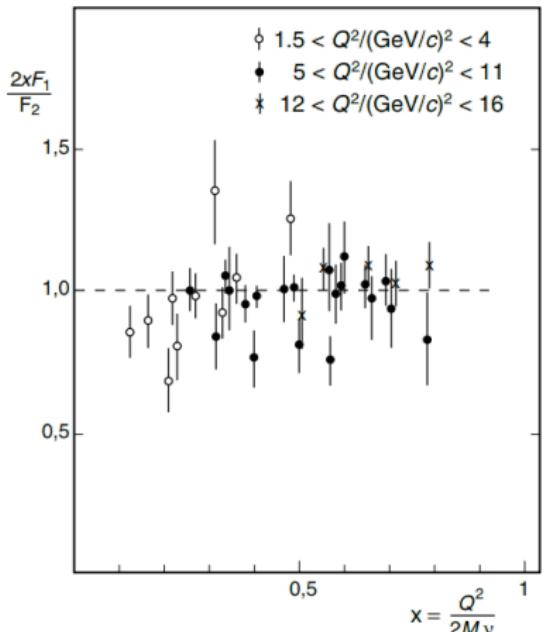
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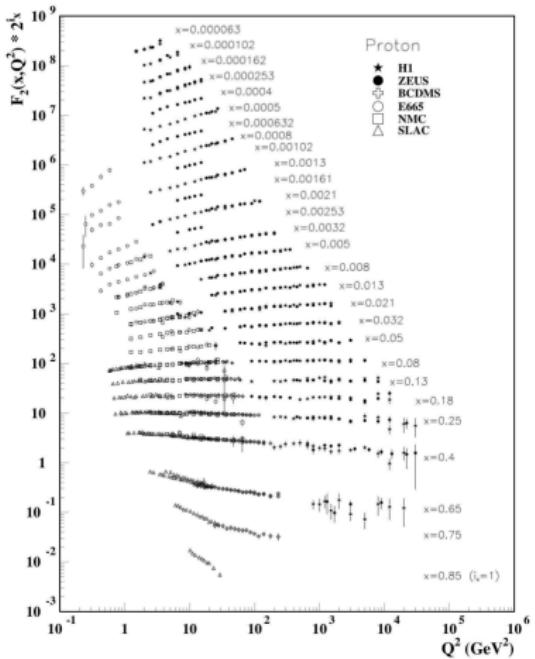
- DIS



# Why DIS?

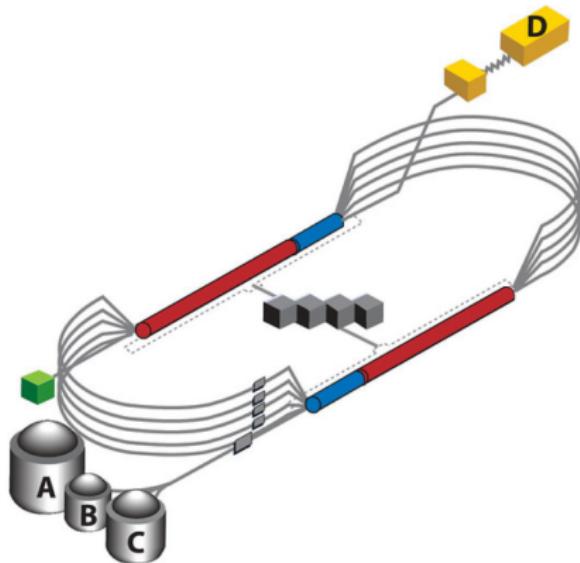


Ratio of  $2x \cdot F_1(x)$  and  $F_2(x)$  vs.  $x$   
[?, ?].



Measurements of the proton structure function  $F_2(x, Q^2)$  for different  $x$  settings[?].

# The Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility (CEBAF) at Thomas Jefferson Accelerator Facility.



- $\approx 2.2$  GeV per revolution
- 12 GeV for Hall D
- Superconducting RF cavities
- RF separators split the beam to each Hall

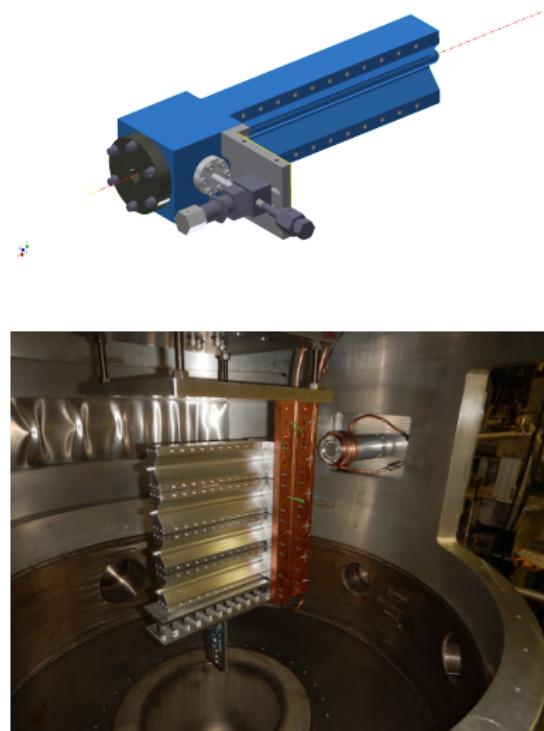
## MARATHON planned to use

- 11 GeV Beam
- $22.5 \mu\text{A}$  current
- Hall A's spectrometers and Big Bite Spectrometer

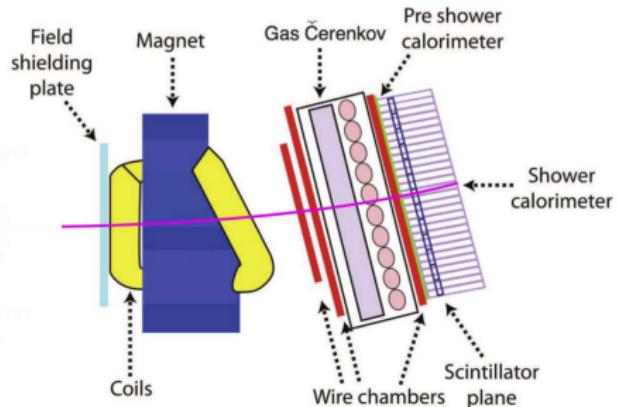
# Tritium Target Cell

First tritium target at JLab

- Thin Al entrance and exit windows 0.01 inches
- 1090Ci of Tritium (0.1 g)
- 25 cm long
- Tritium Cell was filled in Savannah River
- 40 kelvin Helium is used to cool an attached heat sink



# The Big Bite Spectrometer



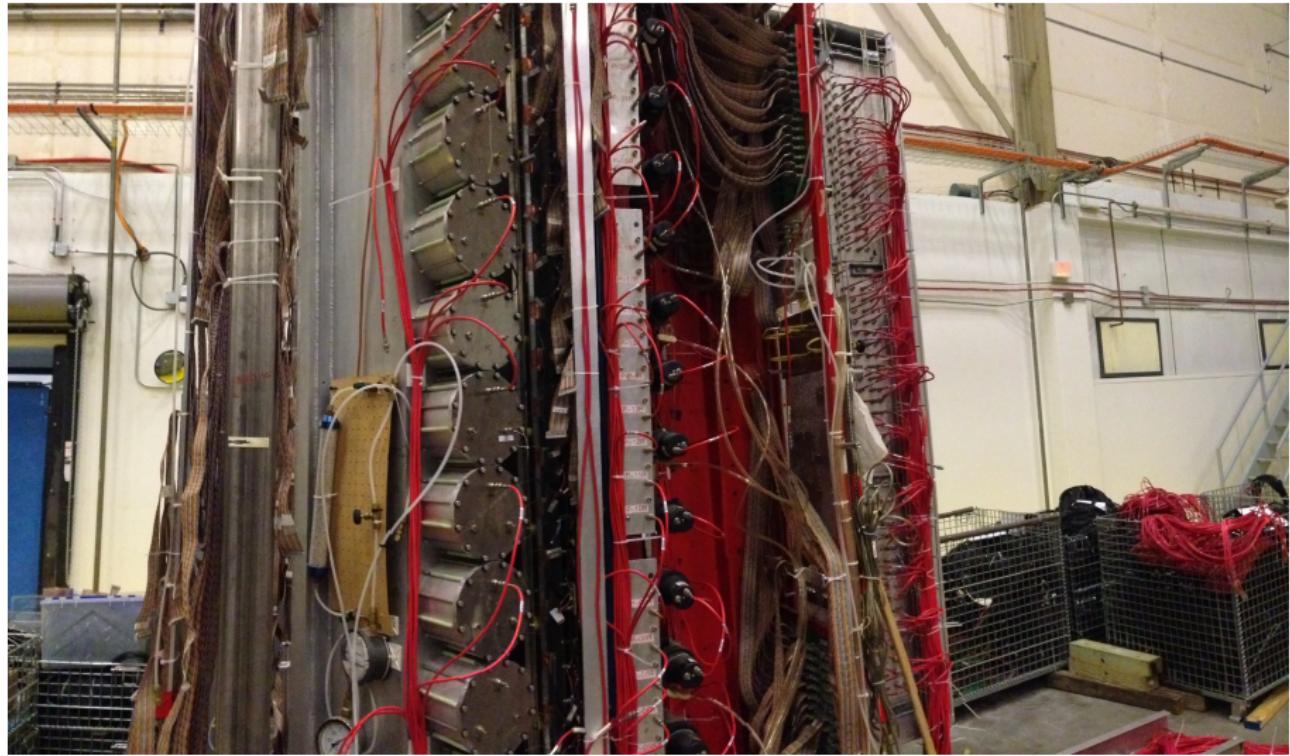
## Large Acceptance Spectrometer

- Solid angle = 96 mrad
- Large Momentum Acceptance:  $> 500 \text{ MeV}/c$

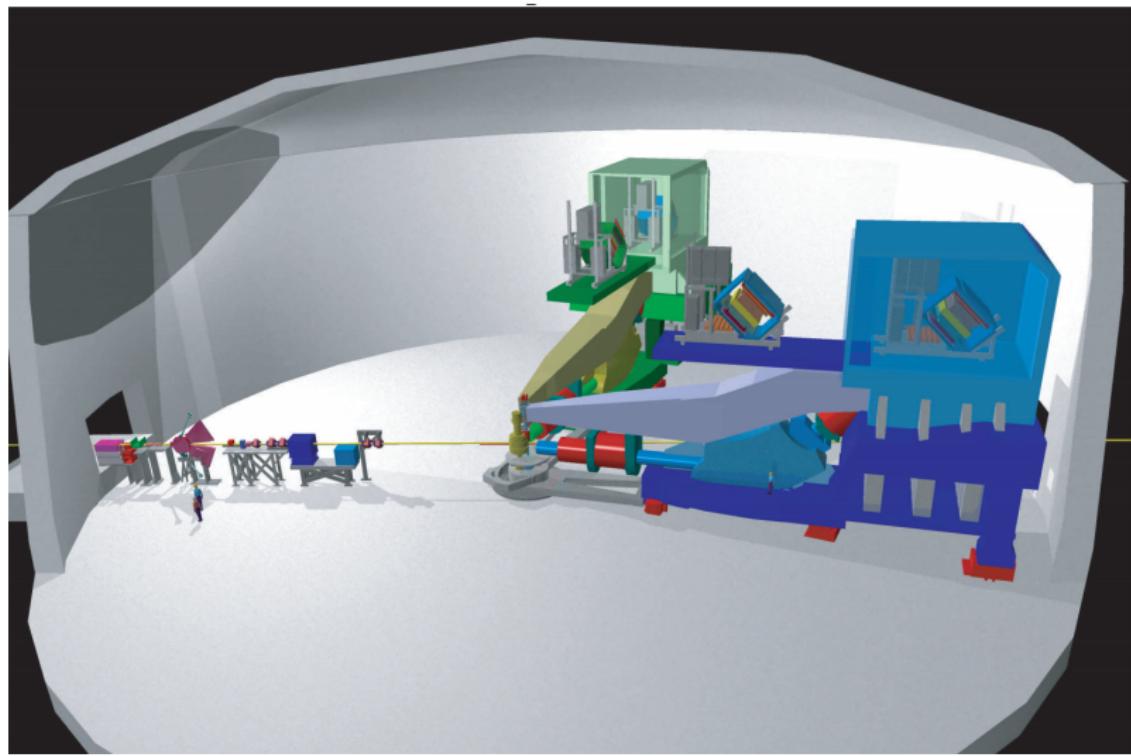
## Preparing Big Bite

- Refurbishing signal electronics and cables
- Testing then repairing or replacing PMTs
- Building front end electronics and coincidence trigger logic
- Testing High voltage power sources and providing power to the detectors

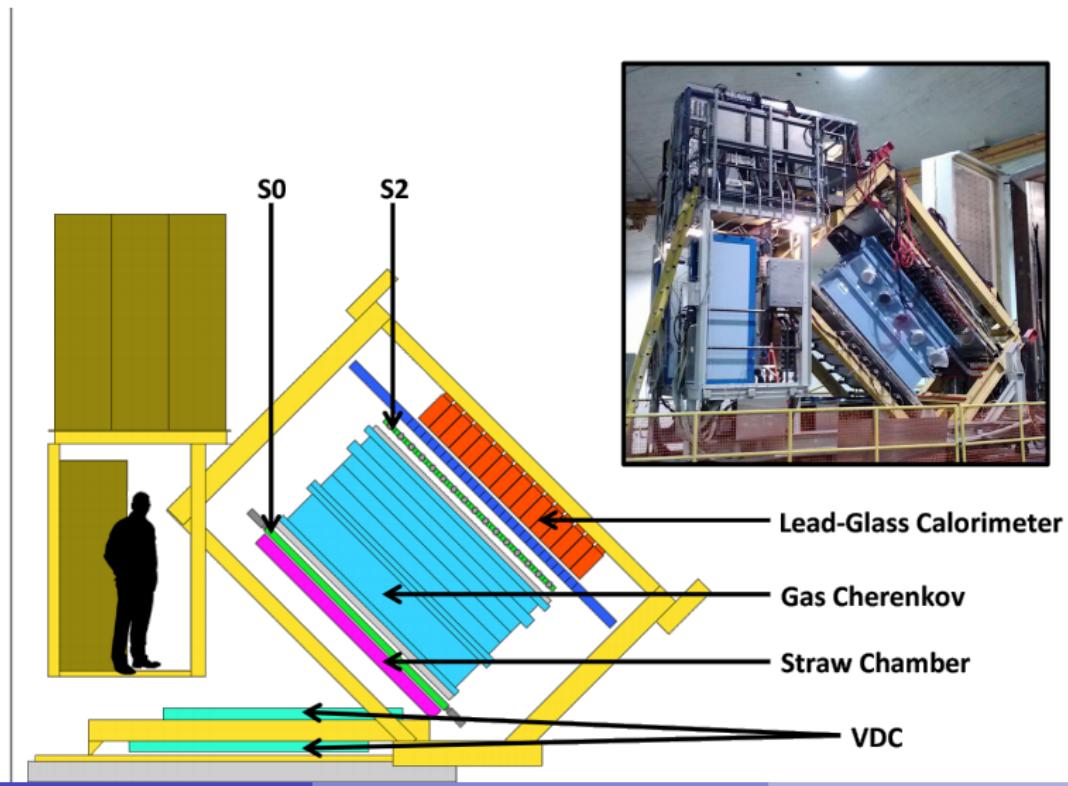
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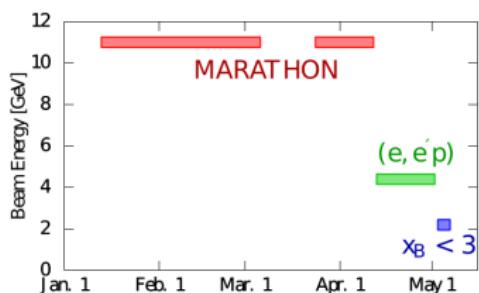
## Hall A



# High Resolution Spectrometers (HRSs)

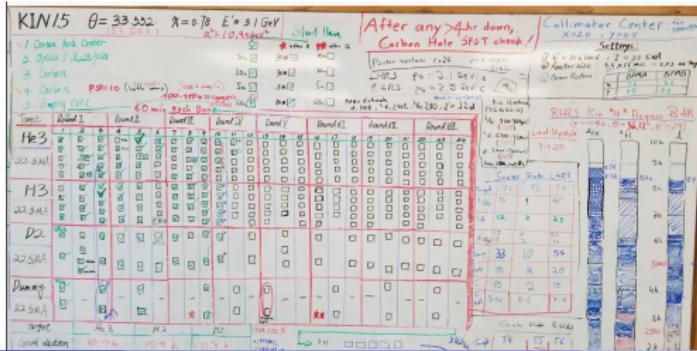


## The Run Period



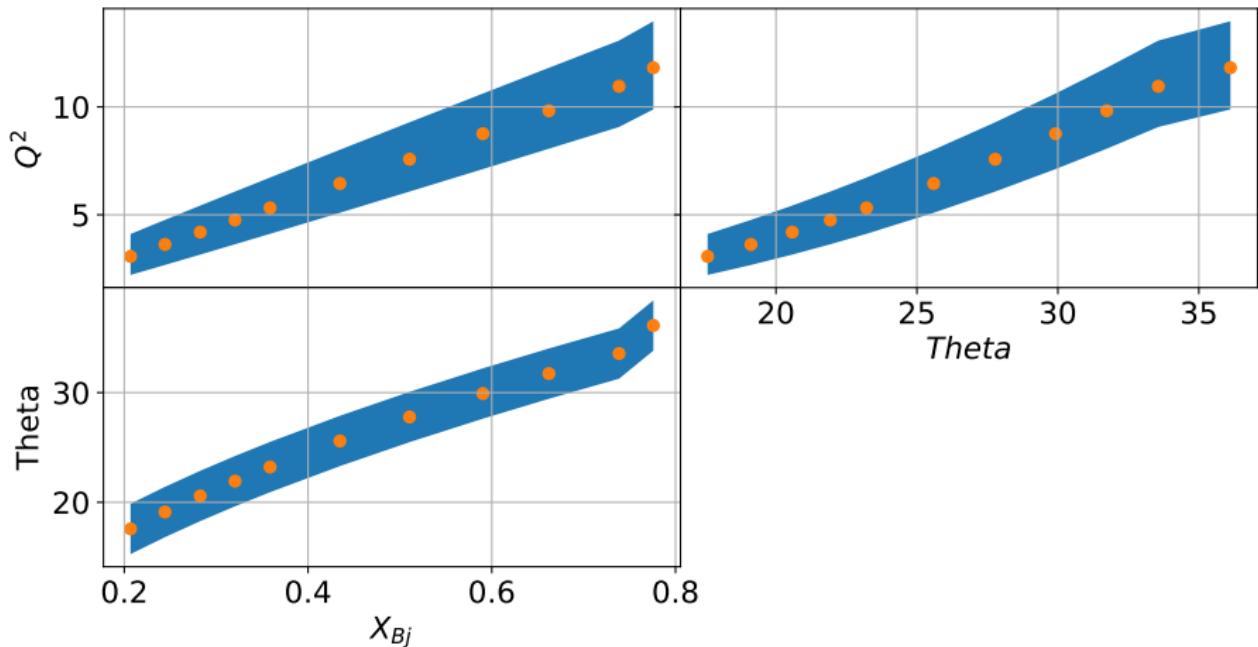
Rey Torres

- Ran from January 11th to April 12th of 2018.
  - Gaseous Tritium, Deuterium, Helium-3, and Hydrogen
  - Single Carbon Foil, Carbon foil with hole, and multi-foil
  - Rotated through targets to achieve equal statics and reduce the impact of unforeseen circumstances



Jason Bane (UTK)

# Kinematic Coverage



Kinematic coverage between  $Q^2$ ,  $x$ , and  $\Theta$ . The band around the points represents the approximate spectrometer acceptance in the  $y$  axis.

# Preparing Data for Analysis

## Calibration

### ADC calibration

- Calorimeters, Scintillators, and Cherenkov

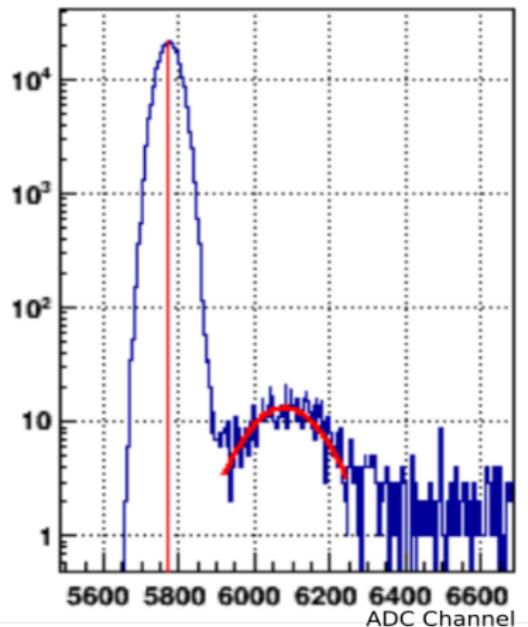
### TDC calibration

- Scintillators and VDC

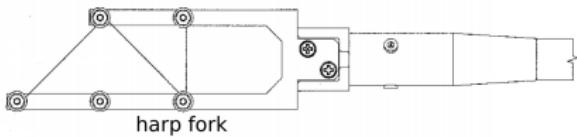
### Detector calibrations

- BPMs, BCMS, Optics

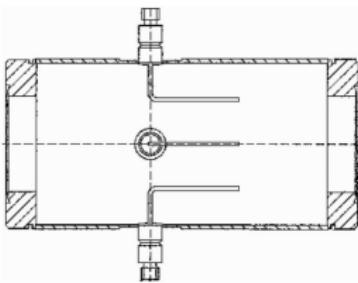
Cherenkov Calibration



# Beam Position Monitor(BPM) Calibration



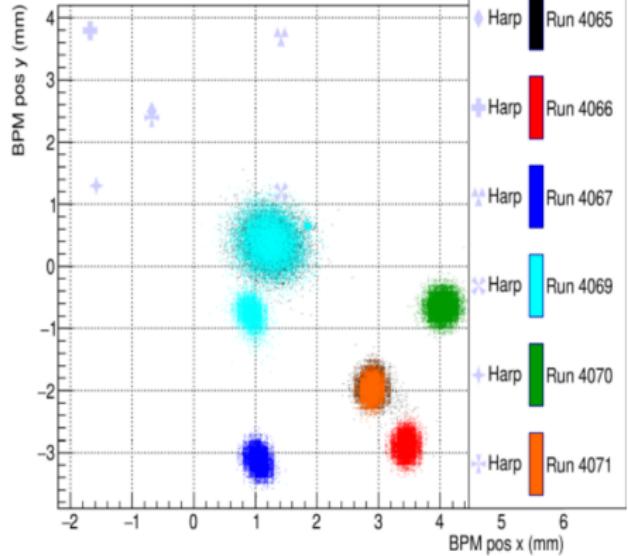
Intrusive absolute position measurement



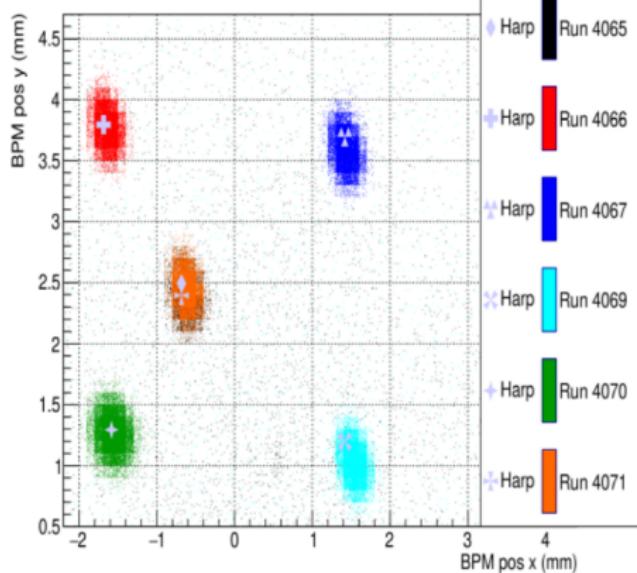
Relative position measurement

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{position} \\ Y_{position} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} C(0,0) & C(0,1) \\ C(0,0) & C(0,1) \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} X_{BPM} \\ Y_{BPM} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} X_{offset} \\ Y_{offset} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Beam position from BPM and harp for a collection of runs



Before Calibration



After Calibration

## Experimentally Measured Cross Section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE'd\Omega} = \frac{(N - BG)}{L \cdot \epsilon \cdot \Delta E' \Delta \Omega \cdot A(E', \theta)}$$

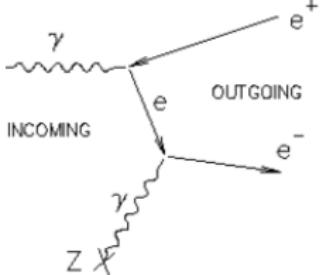


- $N$  = Number of electrons
- $BG$  = Background
- $L$  = Luminosity
- $\epsilon$  = Efficiency
- $\Delta E' \Delta \Omega$  = Bin Size
- $A(E', \theta)$  = Acceptance probability

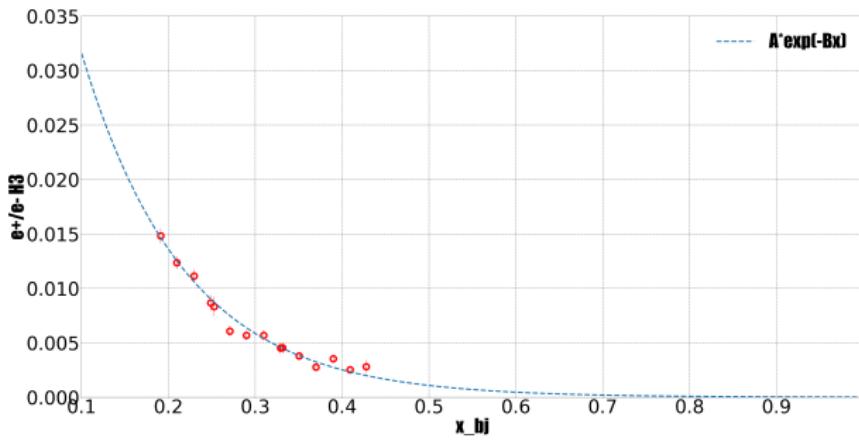
# Charge Symmetric Background

- $\gamma$  decay into an  $e^+e^-$  pairs
- Pair produced  $\rightarrow$  by detecting  $e^+$
- Extraction based on fit to Exponential function

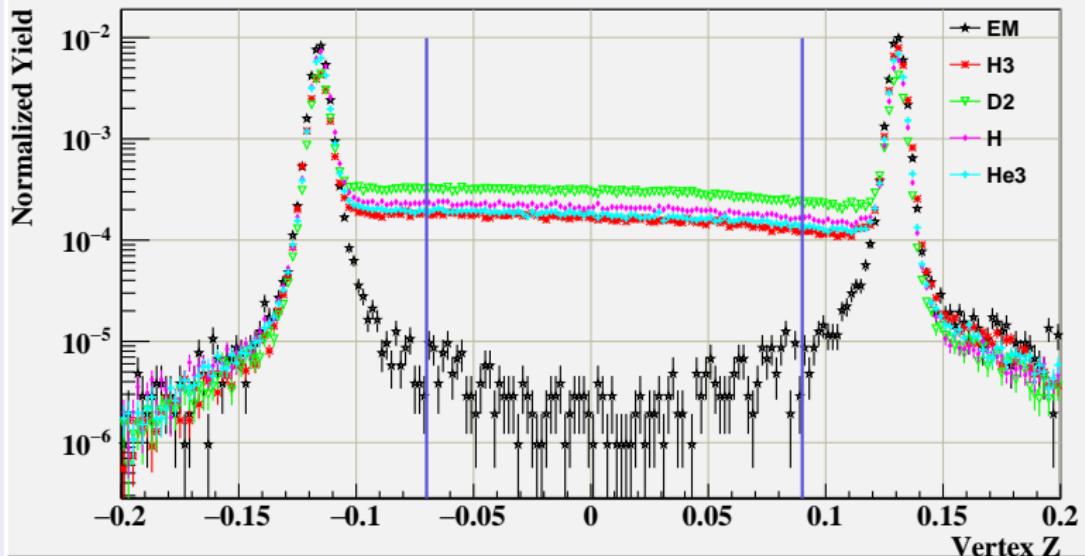
## Pair Production



Tritium positron contamination. Credit: Tong Su

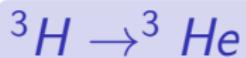


# Aluminum Endcap Background



- Extract ratio of the normalized yield from the gas cell to that of the empty cell

# $^3H$ Decay

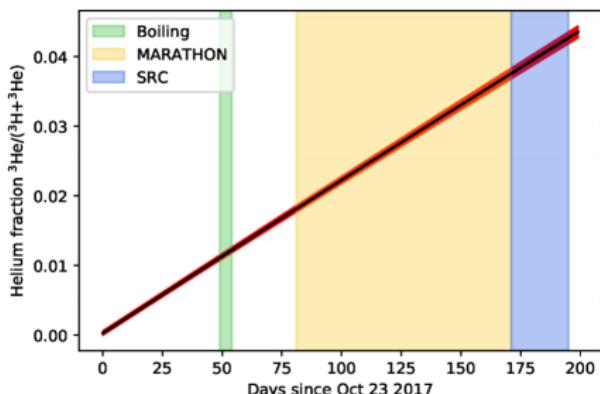


$$\tau(^3H) = 4500 \pm 8 \text{ days}$$

$$c = \frac{\eta_{^3He}}{\eta_{tot}}$$

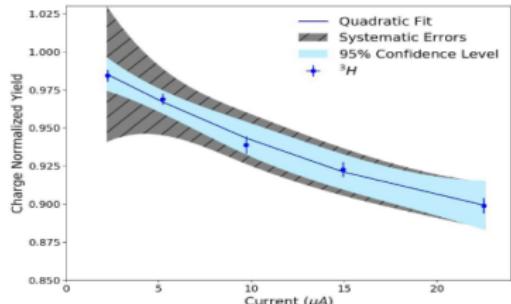
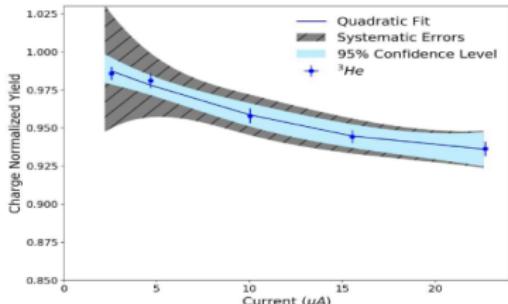
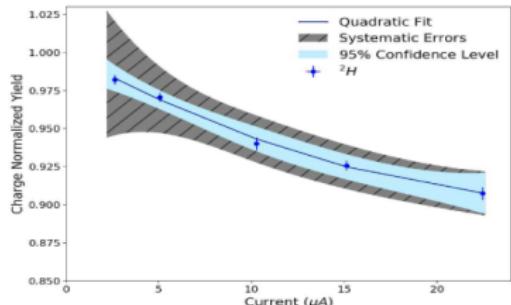
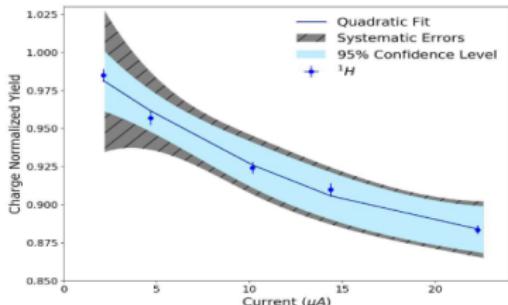
$$\sigma_{^3H} = \left( \frac{\sigma_{tot}}{\sigma_{^3He}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{1 - c} \right) - \left( \frac{1}{1 - c} \right)$$

Beta Decay Helium Fraction



Tyler Kutz

# Density Fluctuations

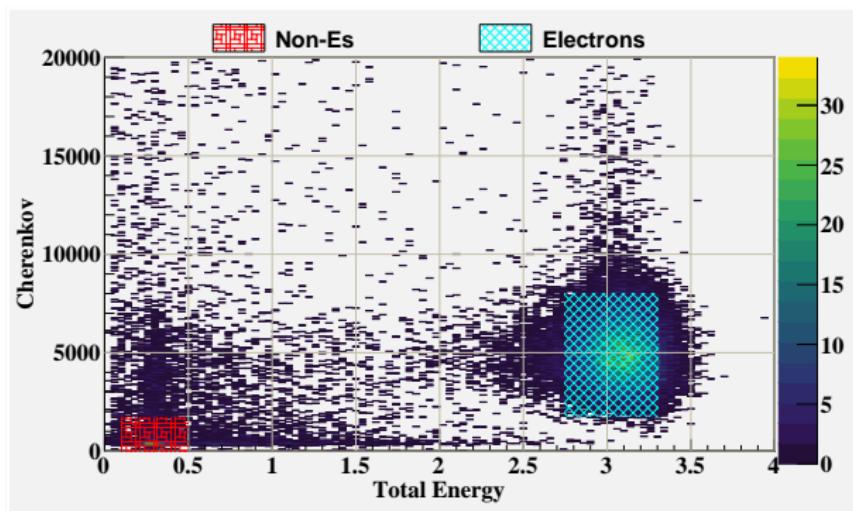
(a)  ${}^3\text{H}$  Density Analysis.(b)  ${}^3\text{He}$  Density Analysis.(c)  ${}^2\text{H}$  Density Analysis.(d)  ${}^1\text{H}$  Density Analysis.

[S.N.Santiestebana et. al]

## Efficiencies ( $\epsilon$ )

- Particle Identification(PID)
  - ▶ Cherenkov
  - ▶ Calorimeters
- Trigger
  - ▶ Scintillators
- Tracking
  - ▶ Vertical Drift Chambers(VDCs)

# Particle ID Efficiency



- Use well defined samples
- Apply PID cuts and count
- PID efficiency  $\approx 98\%$  for all kinematics

## Monte Carlo Ratio Method

$$Y_{MC}(E', \theta) = L \cdot \sigma^{model} \cdot (\Delta E' \Delta \Omega) \cdot A(E', \theta)$$

$$\sigma_{data} = \frac{Y_{data}(E', \theta)}{L \cdot (\Delta E' \Delta \Omega) \cdot A(E', \theta)}$$

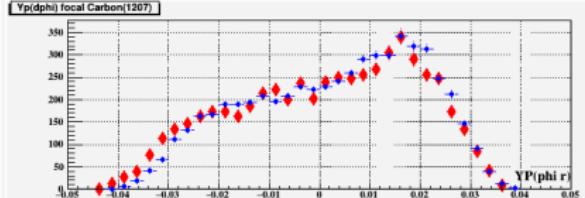
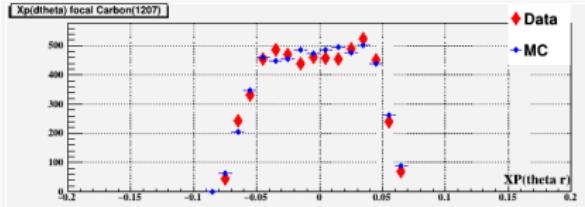
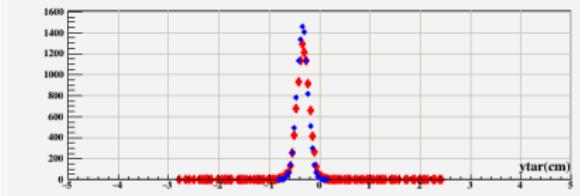
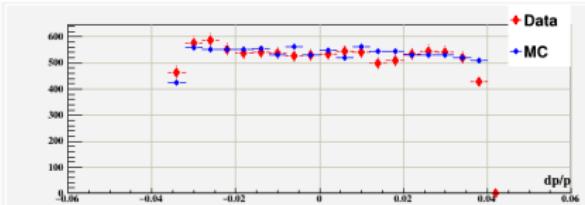
Use a Monte Carlo simulation

- $(\Delta E' \Delta \Omega)_{Data} = (\Delta E' \Delta \Omega)_{MC}$
- $A(E', \theta)_{Data} = A(E', \theta)_{MC}$

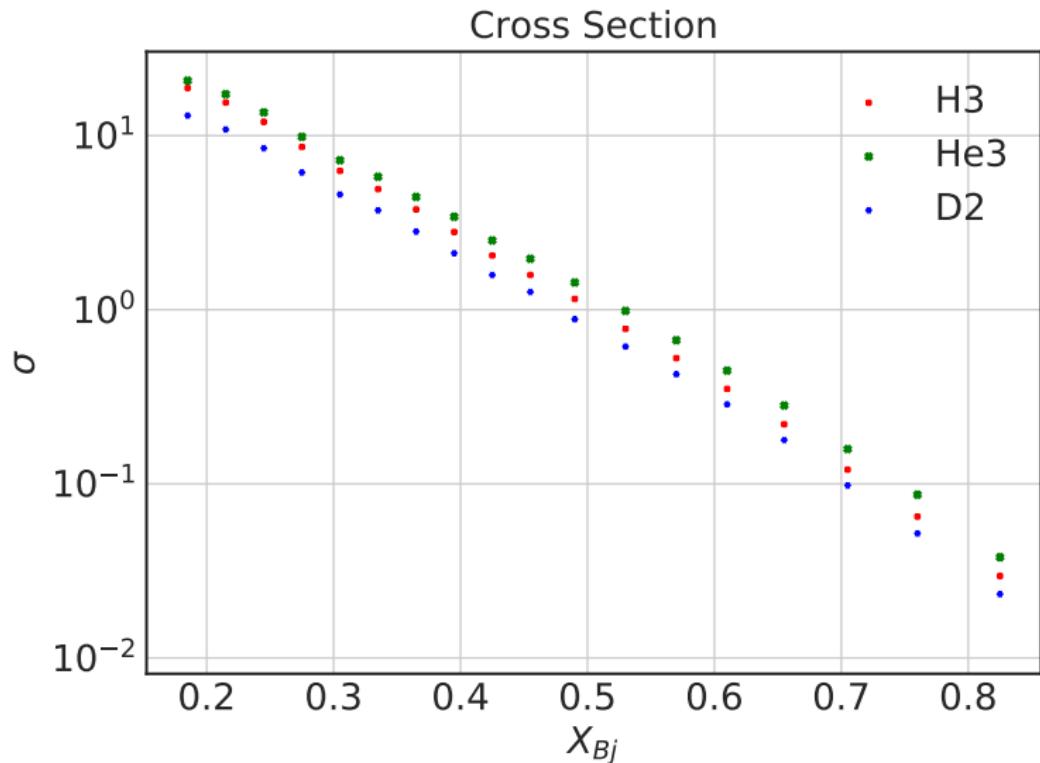
$$\sigma_{Data} = \sigma_{model} \cdot \frac{Y_{Data}}{Y_{MC}}$$

## Monte Carlo

- Generate events → Pass through Magnetic apertures
- Tune Simulation offsets to match detector response
- Use model to weight events
  - ▶ Deep Inelastic and resonance region from Ari Bodek Fit from E139 [?]



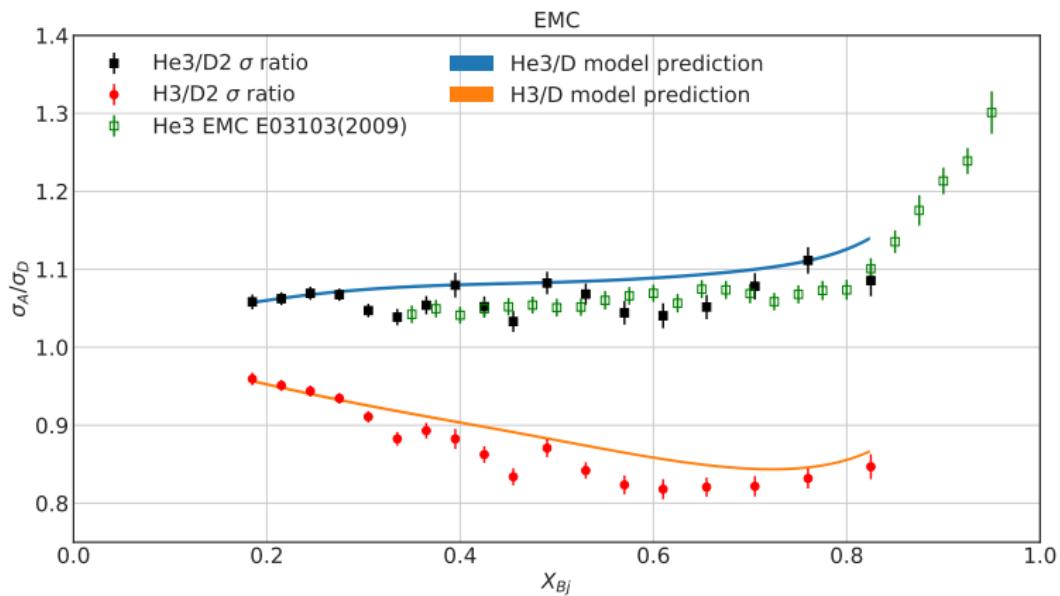
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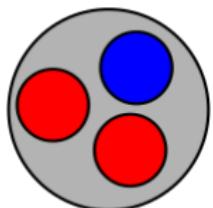
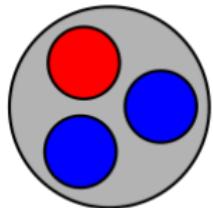


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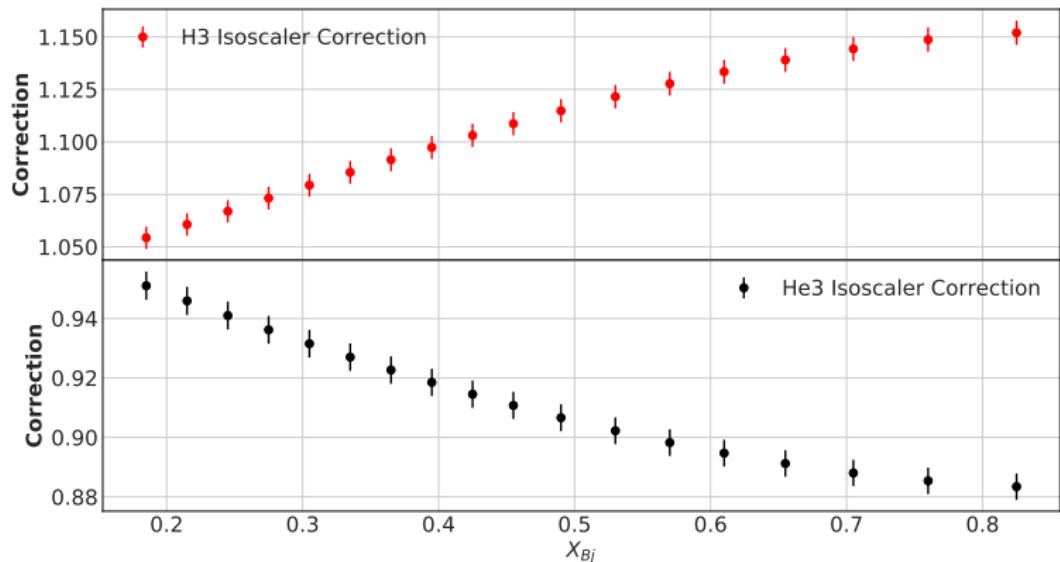
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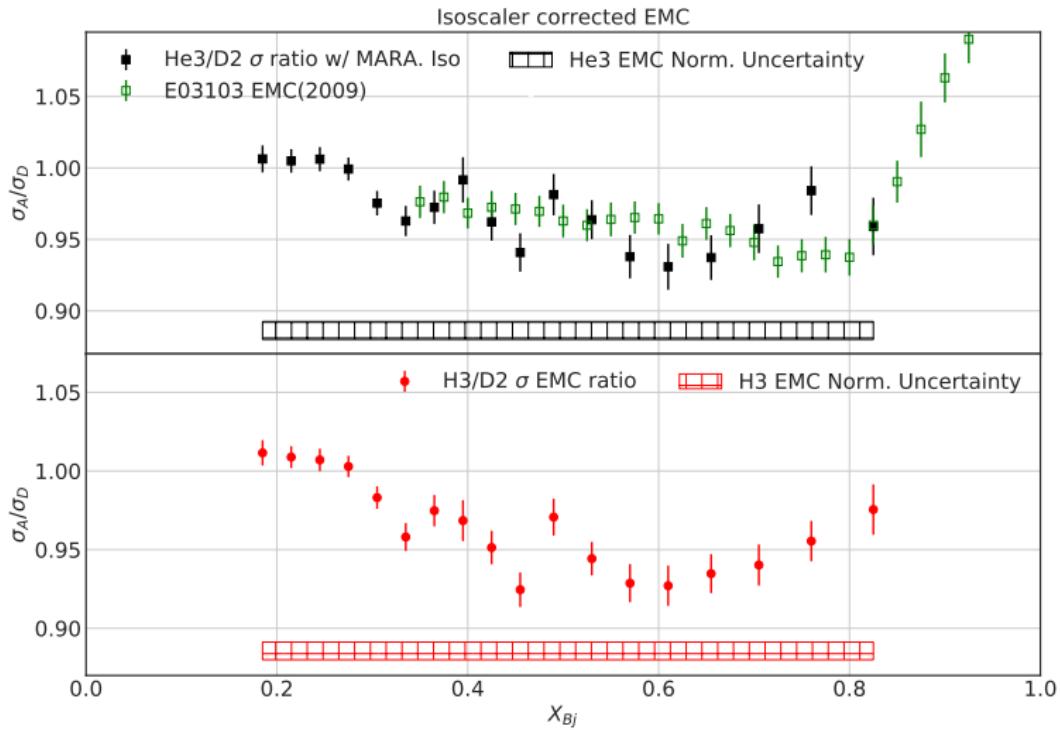
# Isoscalar Corrections



- Correct for the unequal number of nucleons in the A/D ratio.



# EMC Effect





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