

# The EMC Effect for Tritium and Helium-3 from JLab's MARATHON Experiment using DIS.

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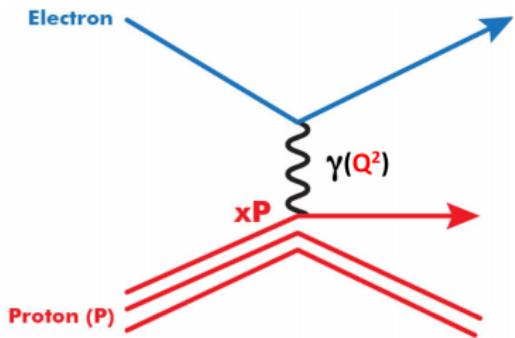


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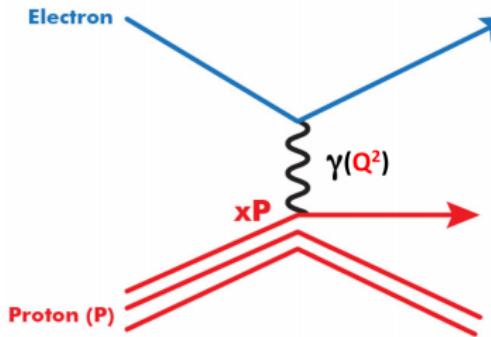
# Outline

- ① Deep Inelastic Scattering
- ② The EMC Effect
- ③ The MARATHON Experiment
- ④ Data Analysis
- ⑤ EMC Effect of  $A=3$

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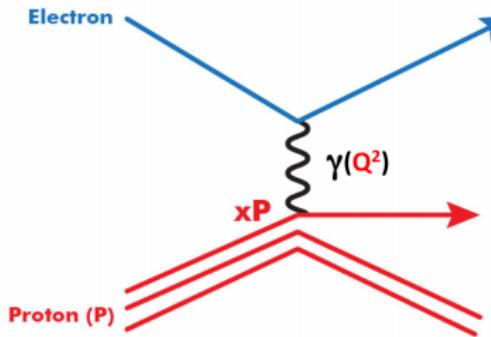


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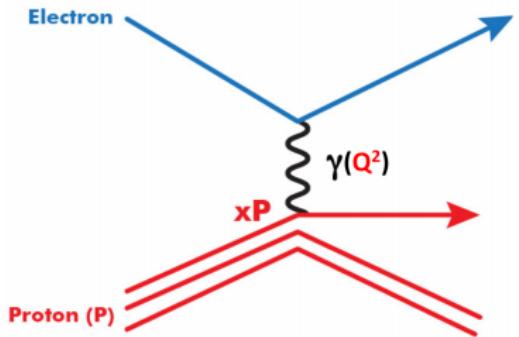
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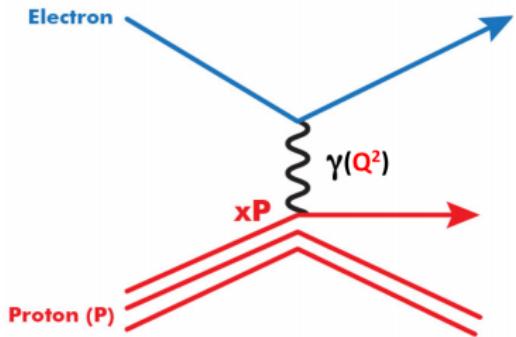
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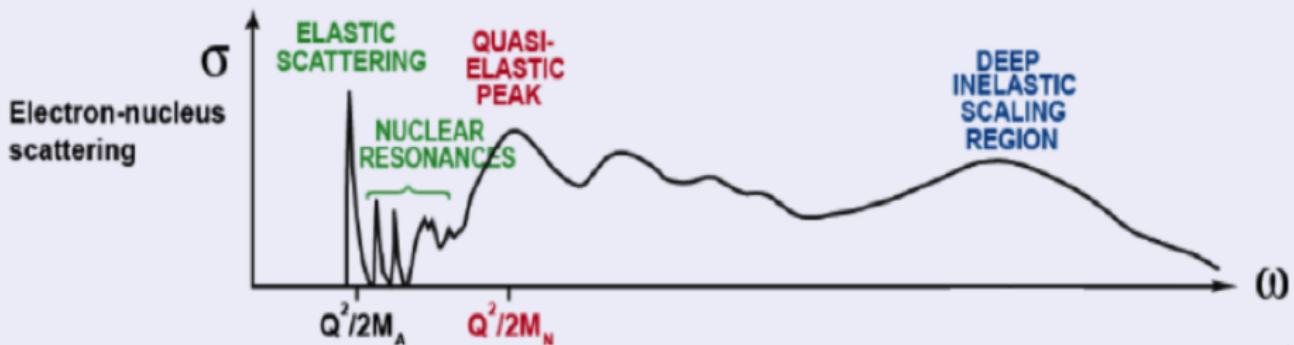
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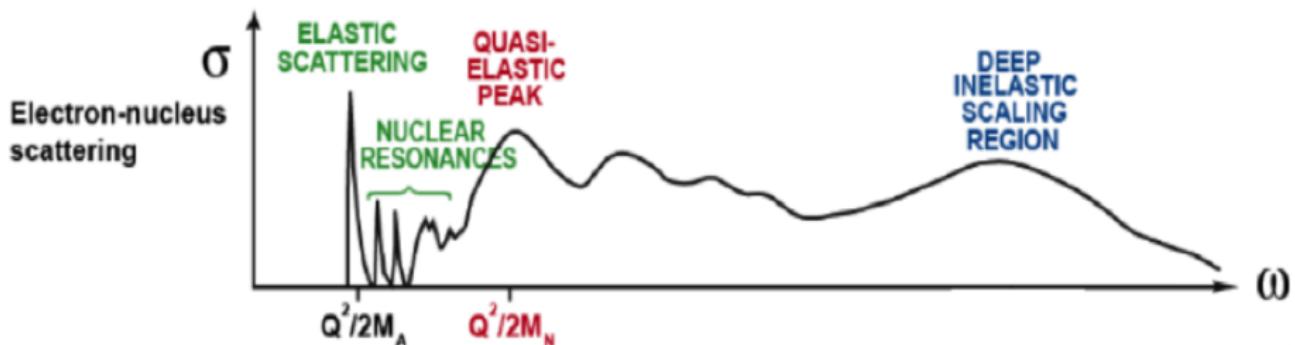


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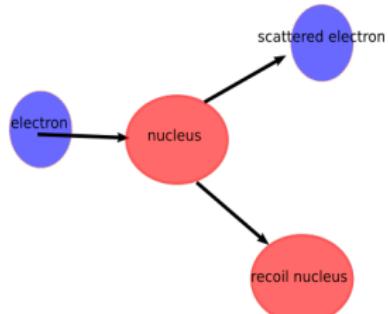
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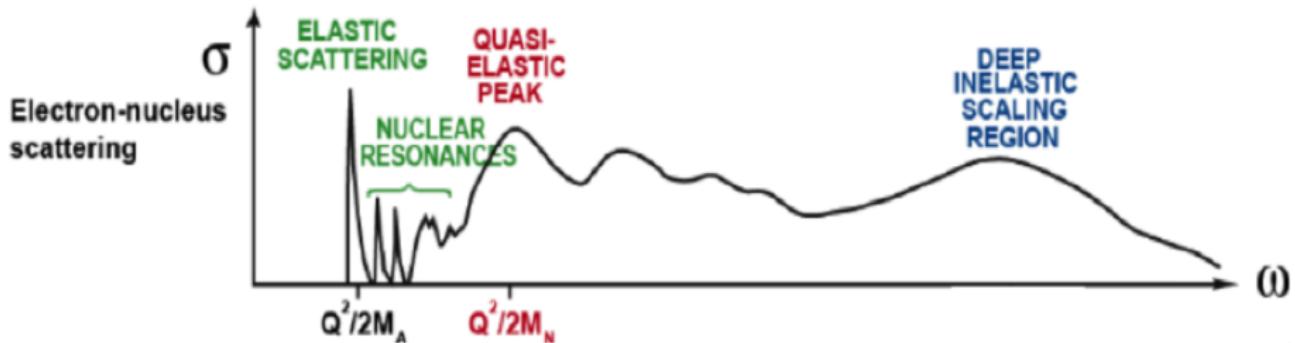


Idealized spectra of high-energy electron scattering as a function of energy transfer [G. T. Garvey, et al., 2015].

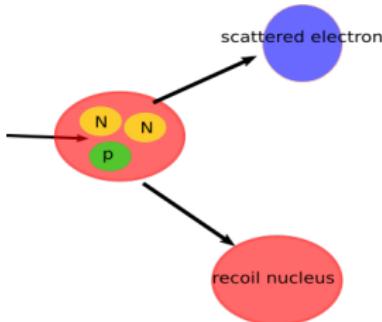


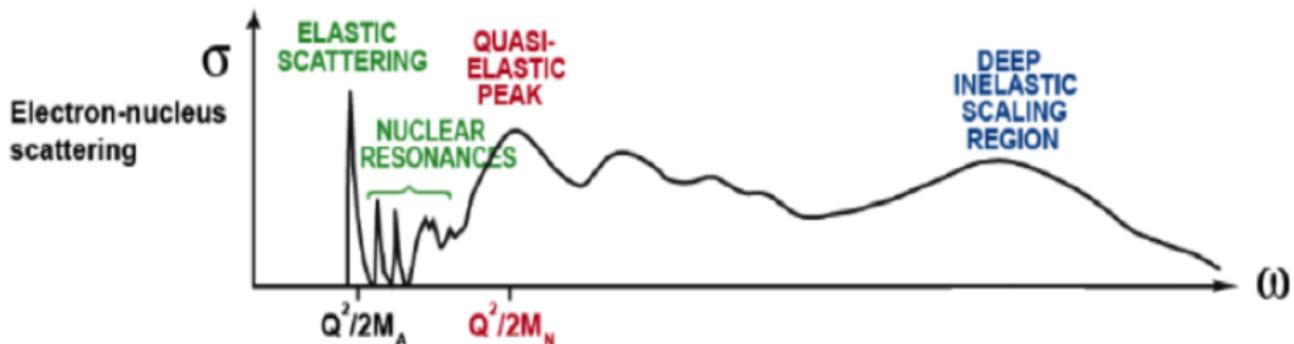
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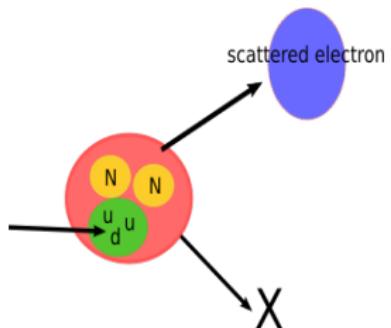


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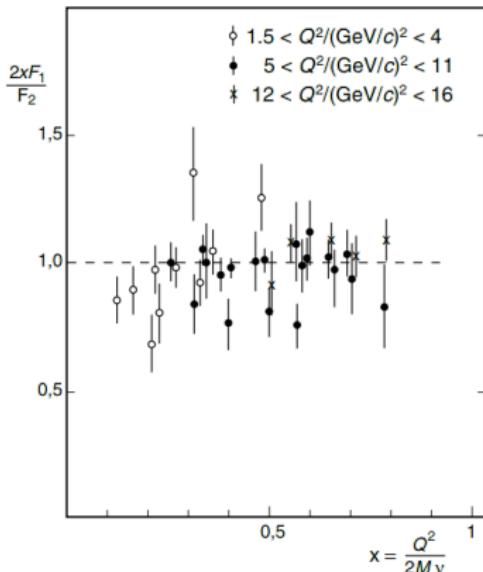


# Why DIS?

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

## Quark parton model

- $F_2(x) = x \cdot \sum_i z_i^2 f_i(x)$
- $F_1(x) = 1/2 \cdot \sum_i z_i^2 f_i(x)$
- **Spin 1/2 quarks**  
 $F_2(x) = F_1(x) \cdot 2x$

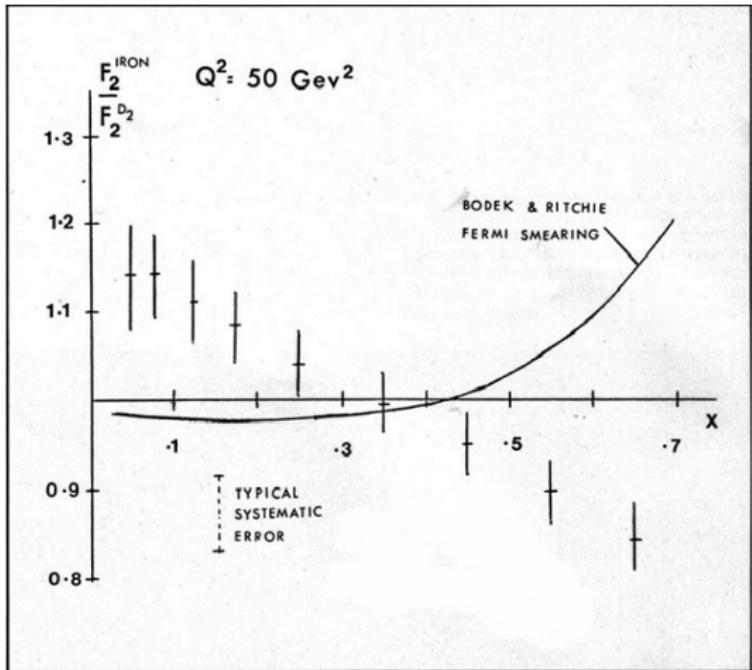


Ratio of  $2x \cdot F_1(x)$  and  $F_2(x)$  vs.  $x$ .  
 [Povh, 1995]

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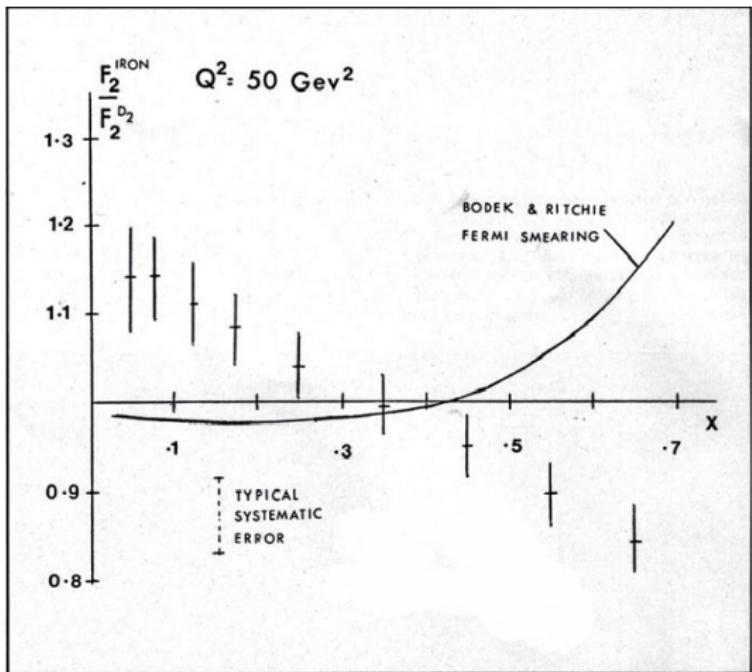
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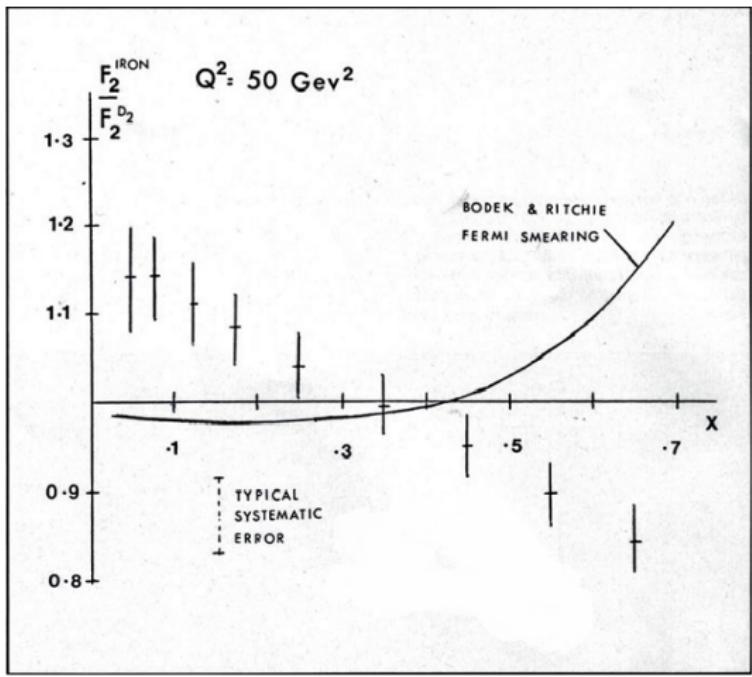
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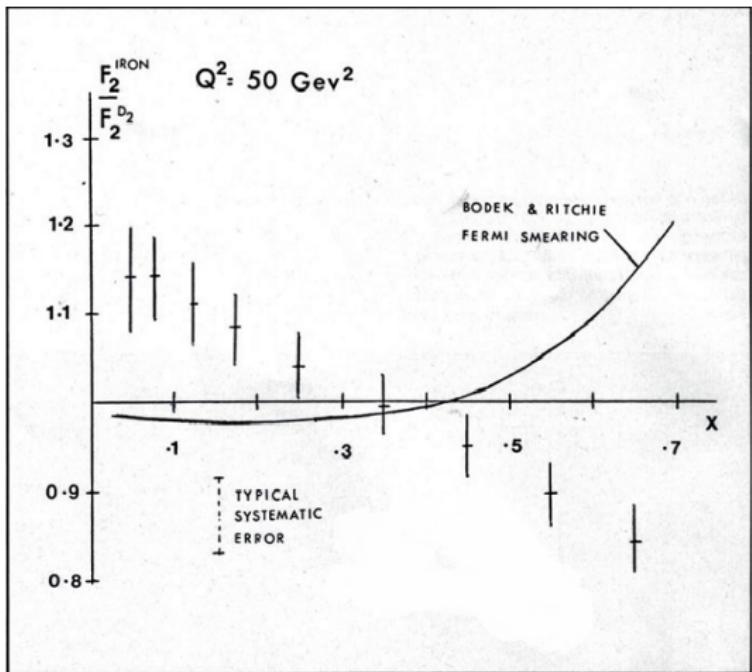


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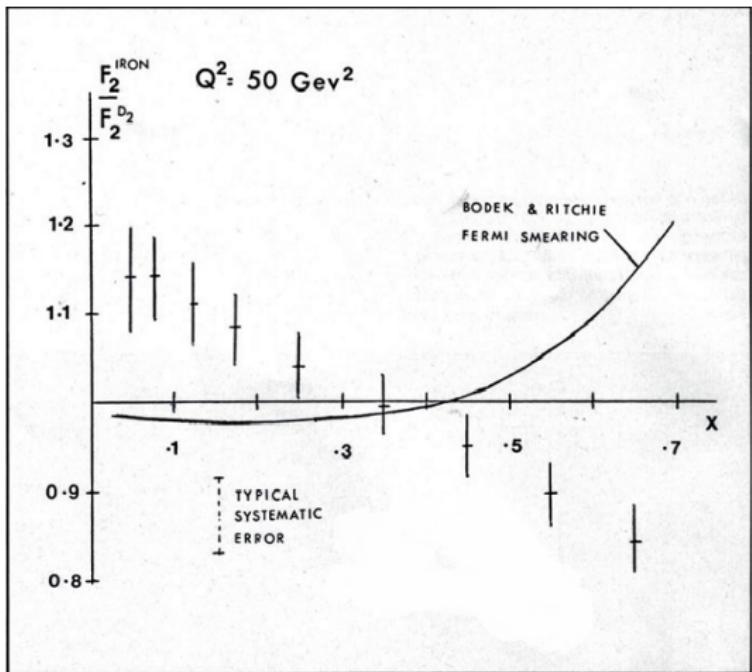


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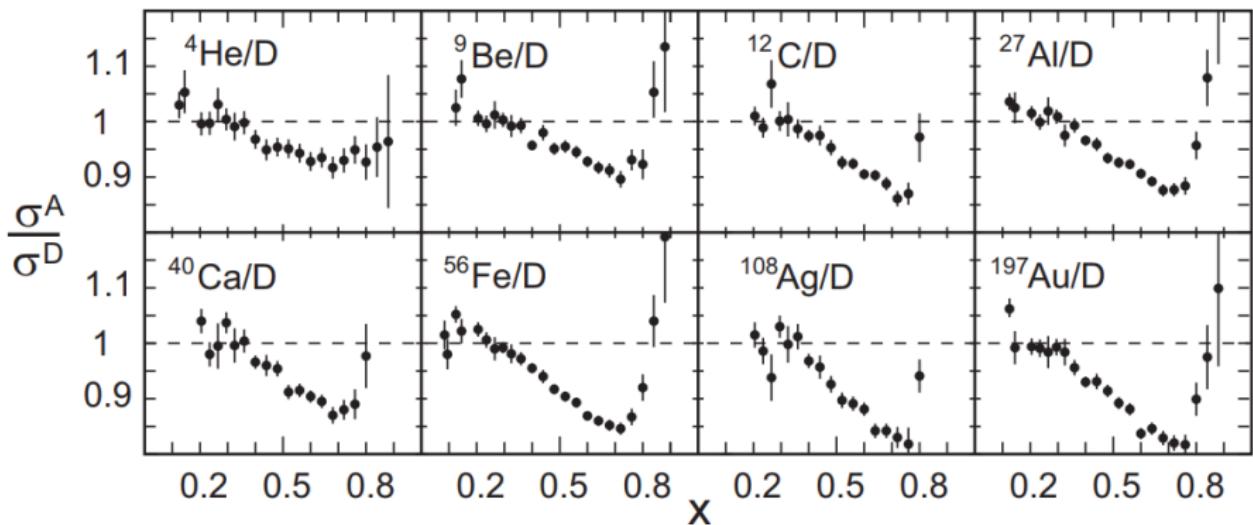


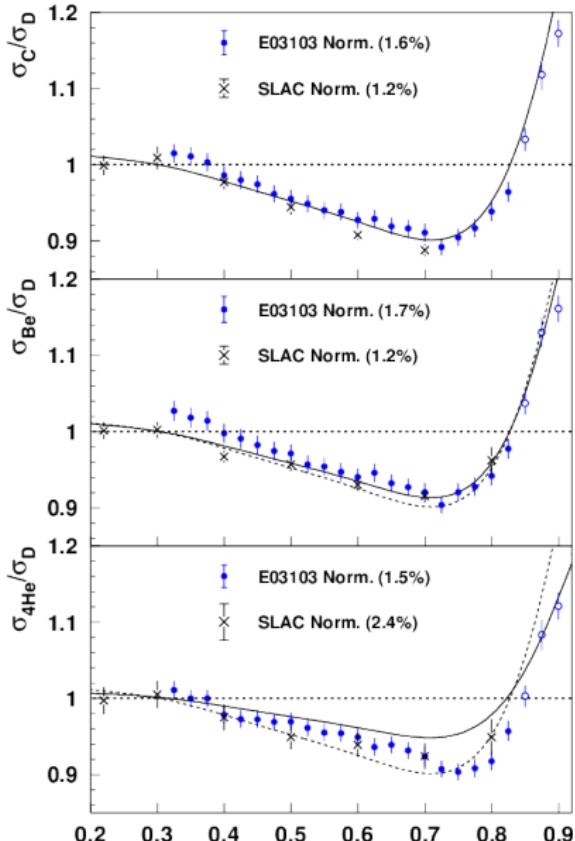
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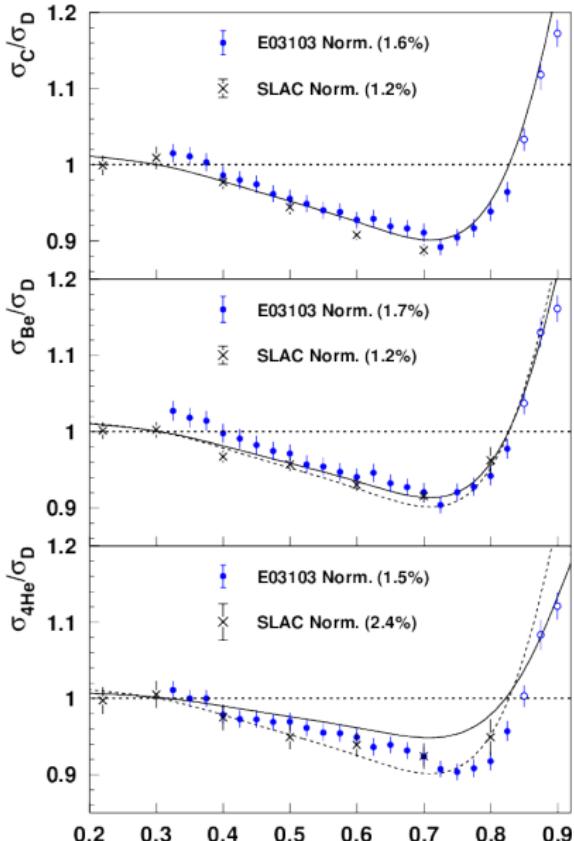
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SLAC experiment E139 [J. Gomez et al., 1994] .

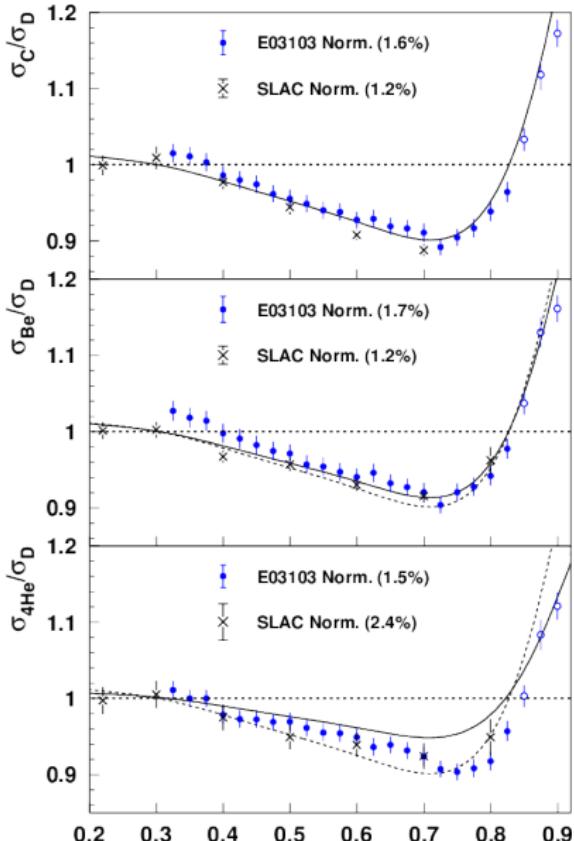




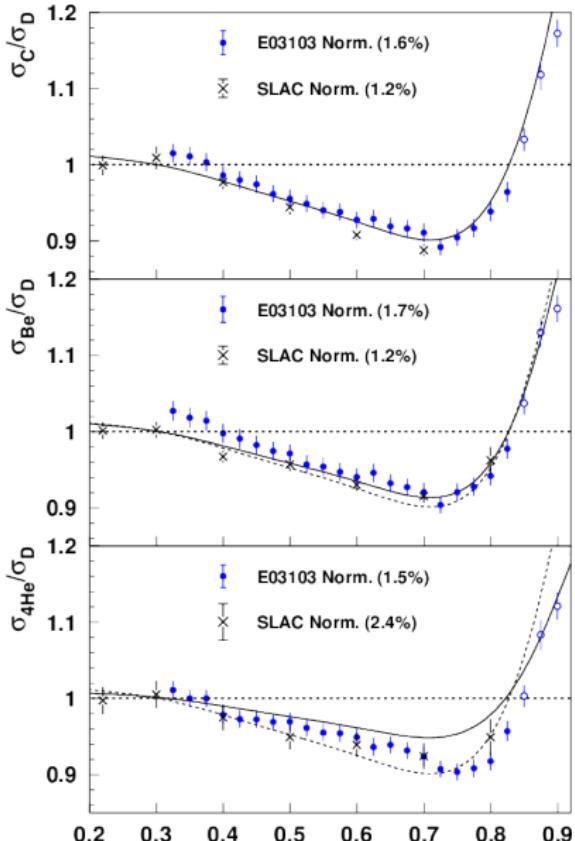
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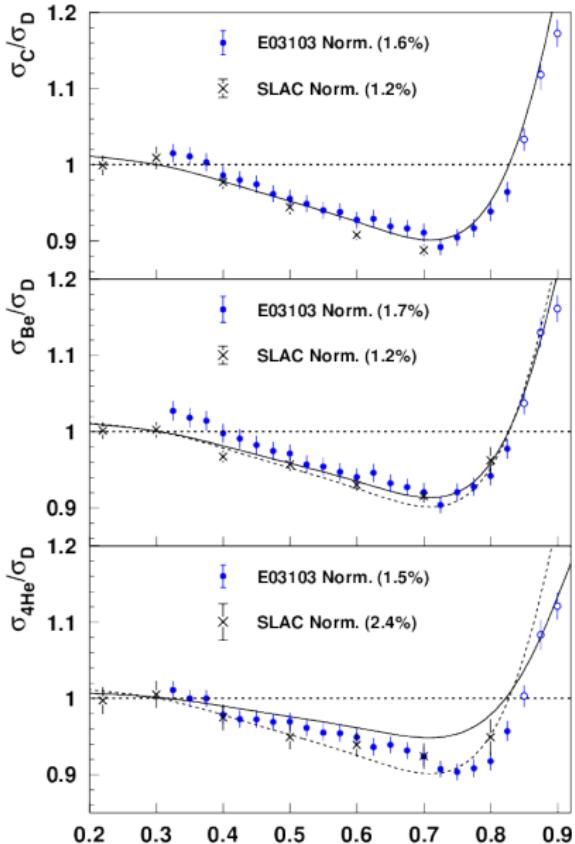
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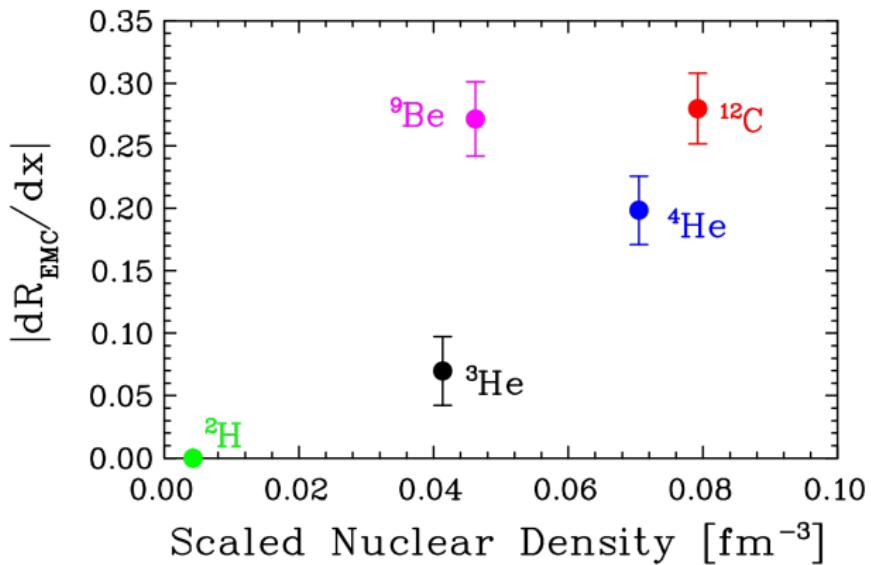


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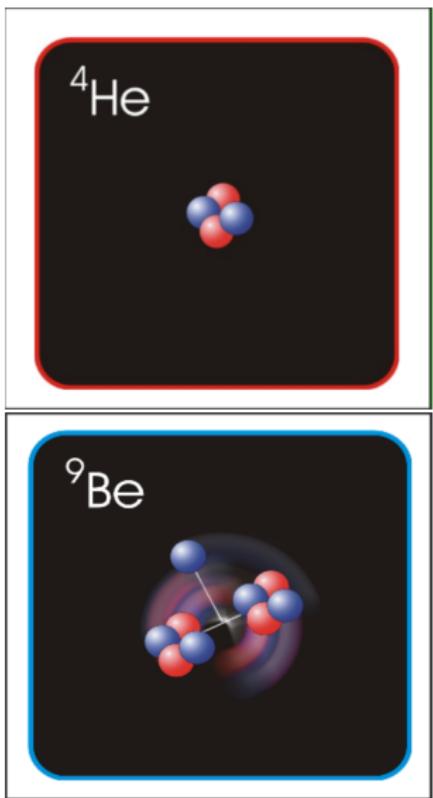
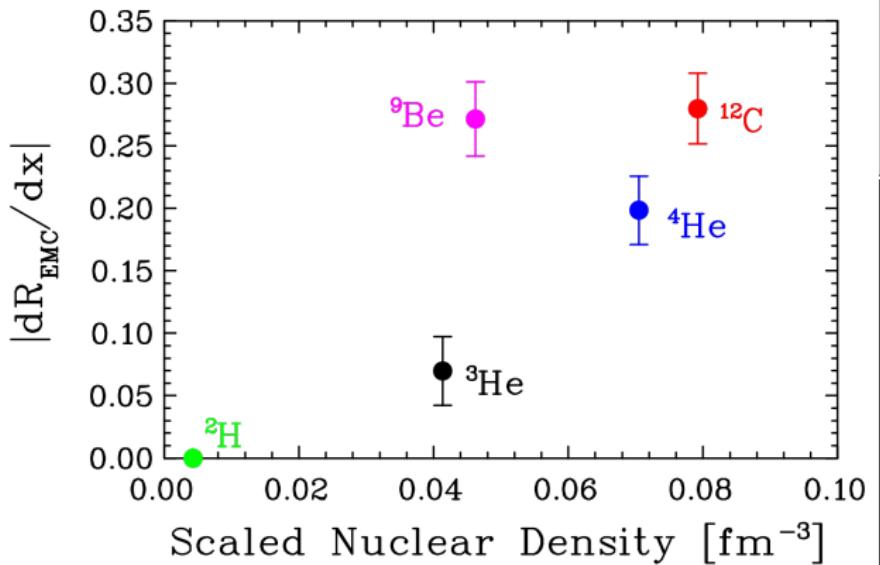
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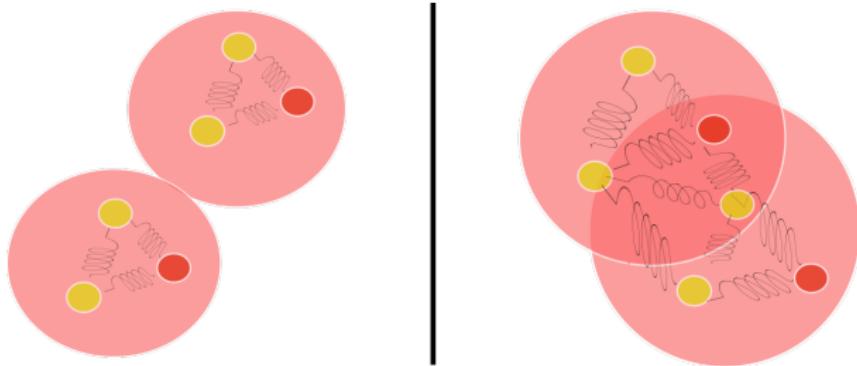
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## Nuclear Binding

- Convolution of momentum and separation energy  
 $\vec{p}' = (M + \epsilon, \vec{p})$
- Smearing in  $x$
- Can explain the EMC effect region
- Fails to reproduce the rising around  $x$  of 0.2



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## Rescaling

- Relate DIS structure functions with scaling variable
- $F_2^{Fe}(Q^2) = F_2^D(\xi Q^2)$
- Large nuclei bound in large area compared to free nucleon
- Applicable  $\rightarrow 0.3 < x < 0.8$



# EMC Models

Brief summary of a small subset of models.  
Sources for this discussion and others

- [Cloet, and Thomas, 2006]
- [Bickerstaff and Thomas, 1989]
- [Geesaman, Saito, and Thomas, 1995]
- [Norton, 2003]
- [Smith and Miller, 2007]



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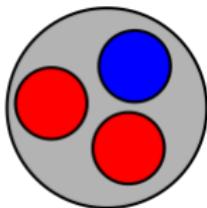
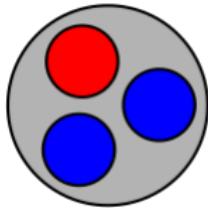


## The EMC puzzle

- 3+ decades of study
- Every Model is Cool(EMC) Every Model is Cool(EMC)
- Dependence on A
- Driven by local density

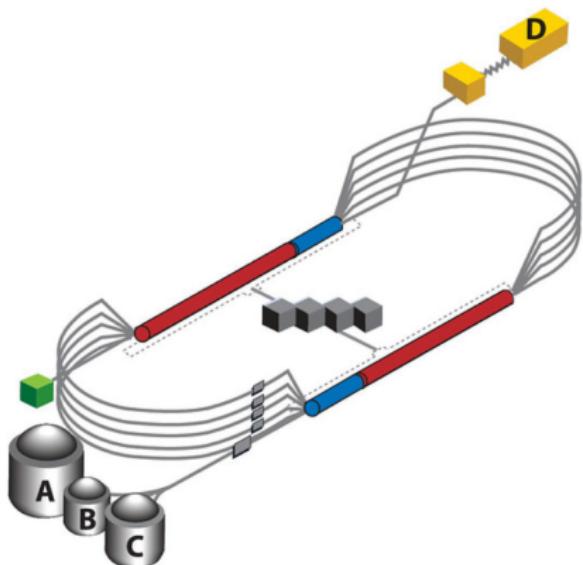
# MARATHON

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 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's proposal

- 11 GeV Beam
- Hall A's high resolution spectrometers (HRS)
- Tritium

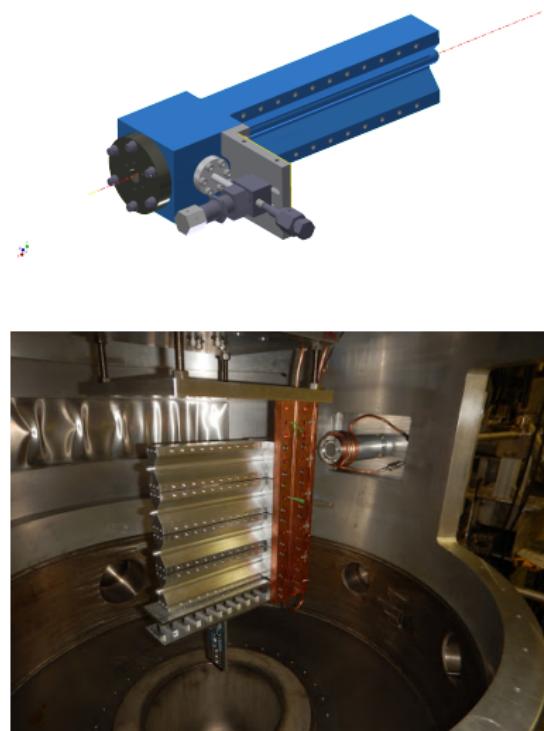
## Uses of Tritium



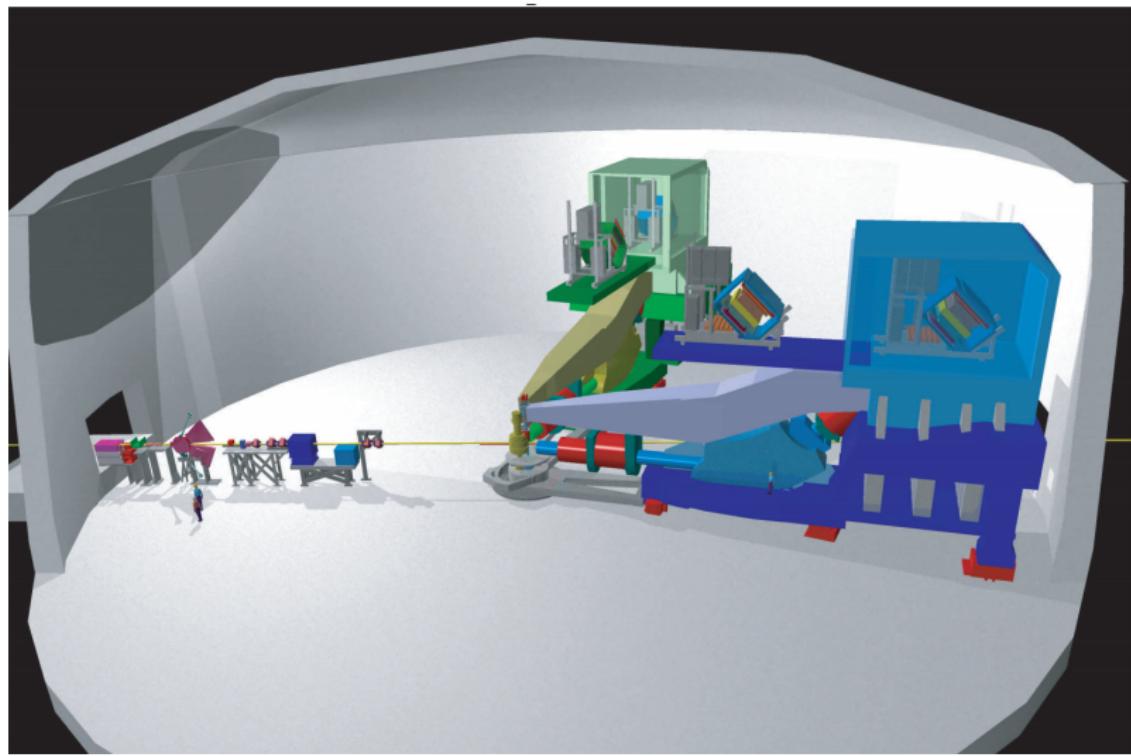
# Tritium Target Cell

First tritium target at JLab

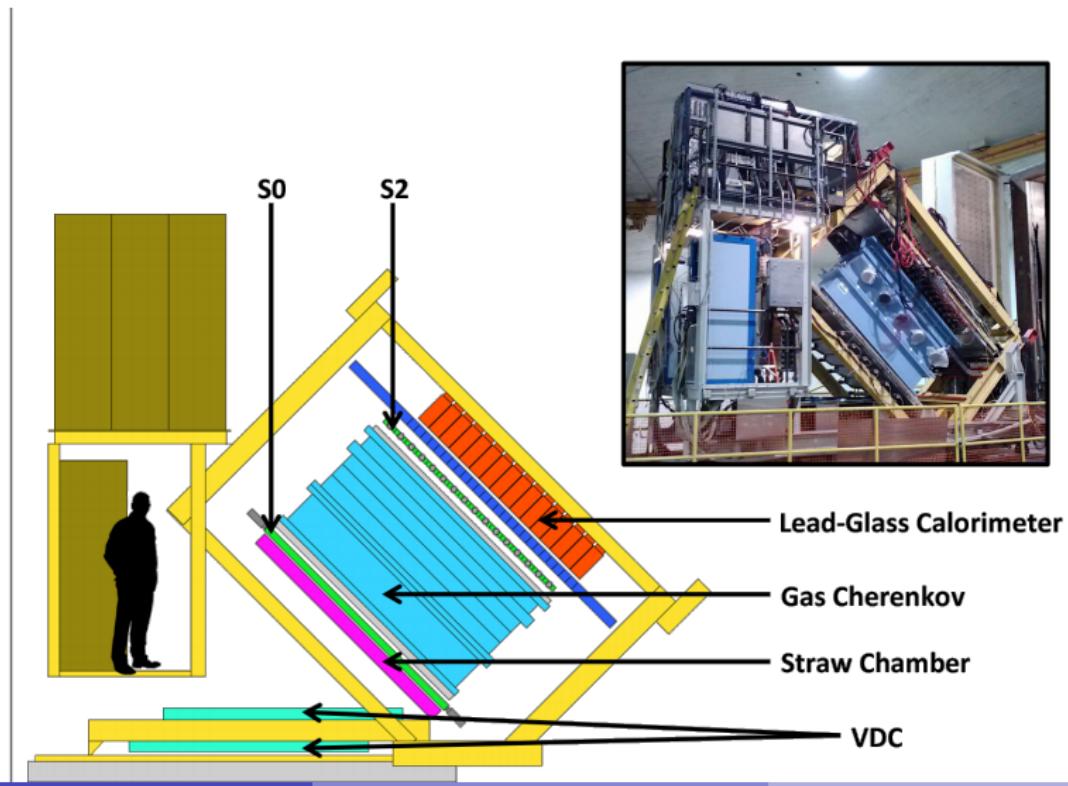
- Thin Al entrance and exit windows 0.01 inches
- 1090Ci of Tritium (0.1 g)
- 25 cm long
- Tritium Cell was filled in Savannah River
- 40 kelvin Helium is used to cool an attached heat sink



## Hall A

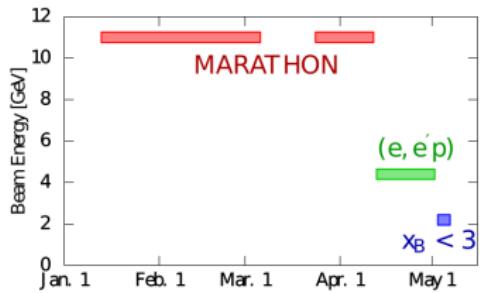


# High Resolution Spectrometers (HRSs)



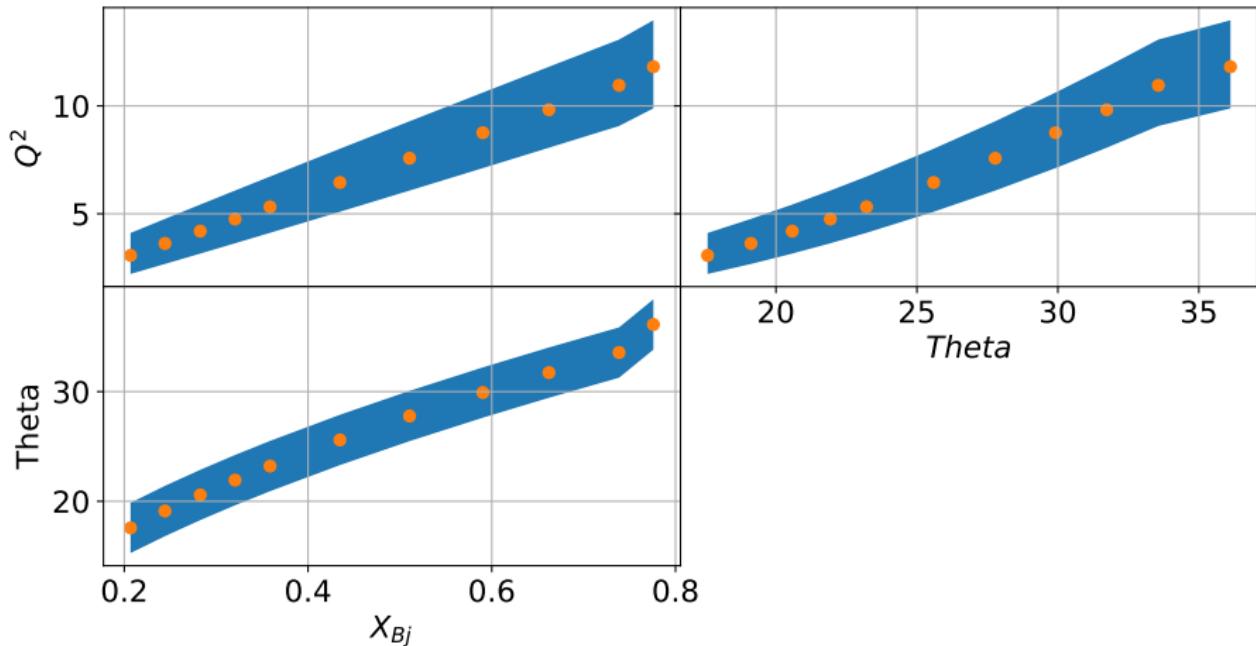


## The Run Period



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# Kinematic Coverage



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



# Path to The EMC Effect

- Calibrate detectors to receive meaningful data
- Determine the yield, efficiency and background
- Calculate the cross sections and ratios
- Extract the corrected EMC effect!

# Preparing Data for Analysis

## Calibration

### ADC calibration

- Calorimeters, Scintillators, and Cherenkov

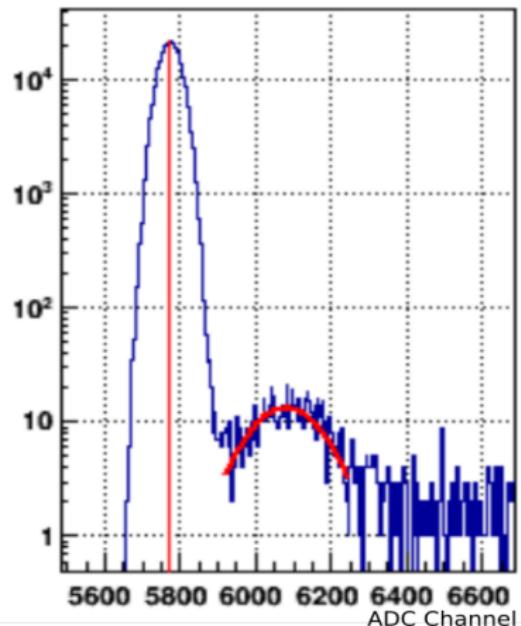
### TDC calibration

- Scintillators and VDC

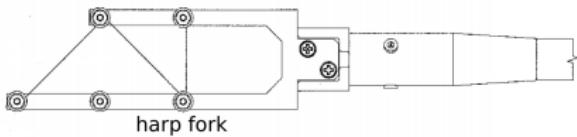
### Detector calibrations

- Beam Current Monitors
- Beam Position Monitors

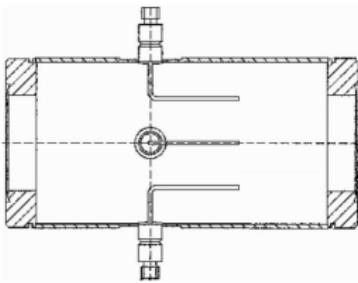
Cherenkov Calibration



# Beam Position Monitor(BPM) Calibration



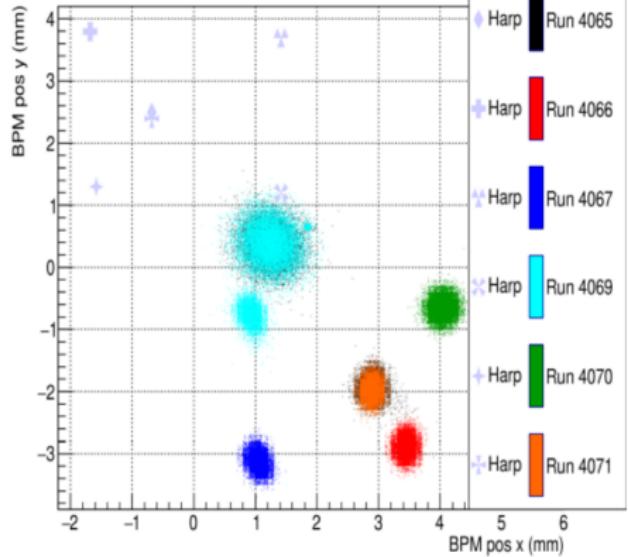
Intrusive absolute position measurement



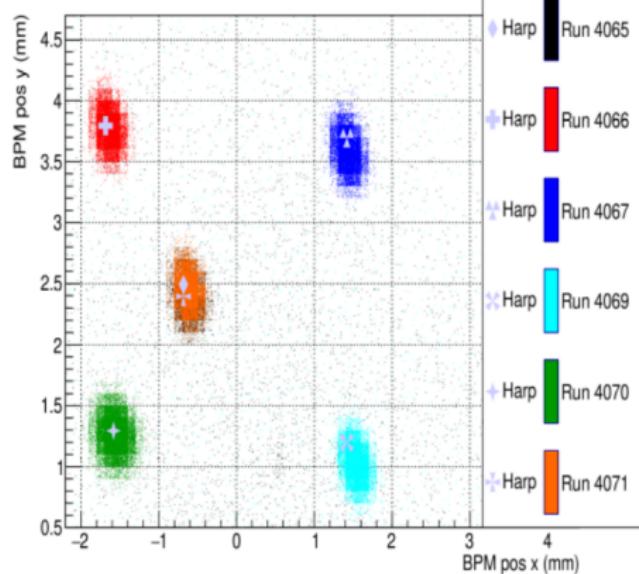
Relative position measurement

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

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



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After Calibration

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

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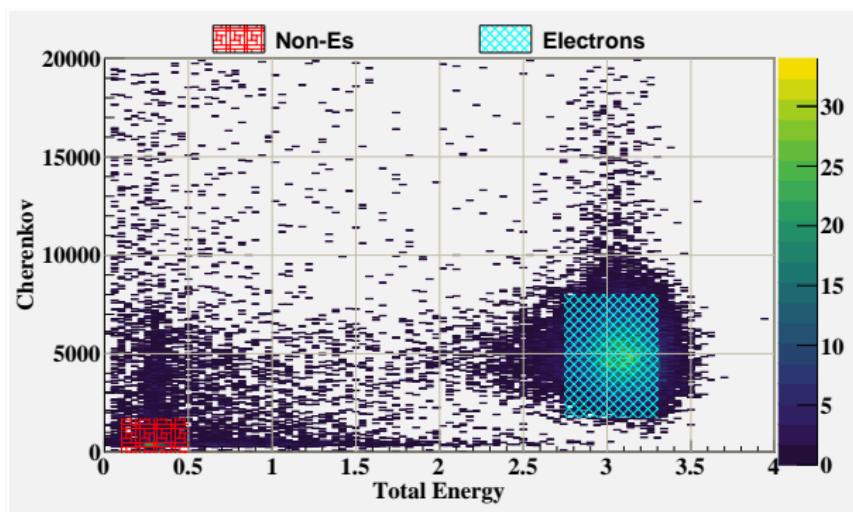
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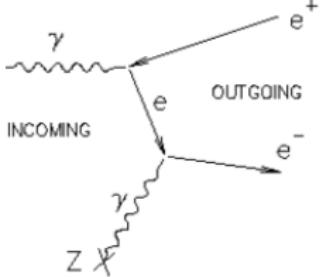


- Total energy absorber for electrons
- Cherenkov's pion threshold is  $>$  momentum setting
- PID efficiency  $\approx 98\%$  for all kinematics

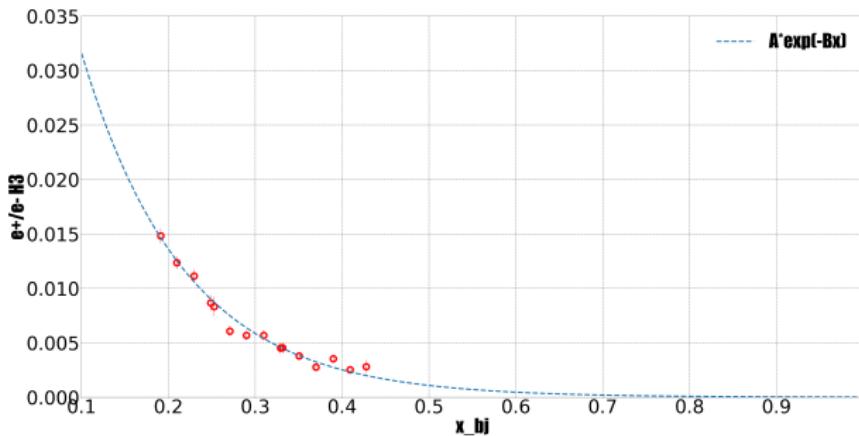
# Charge Symmetric Background

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

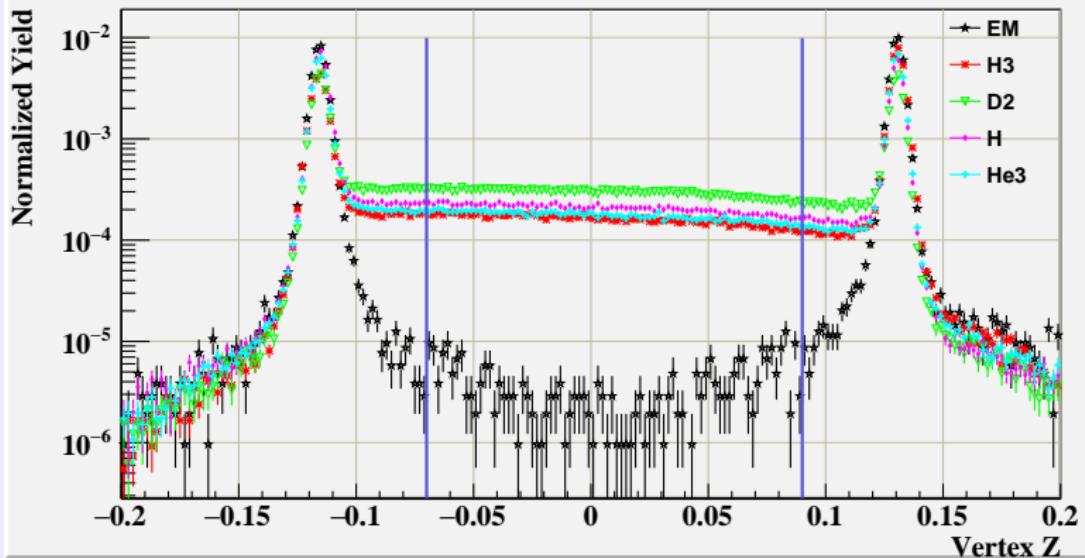
## Pair Production



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

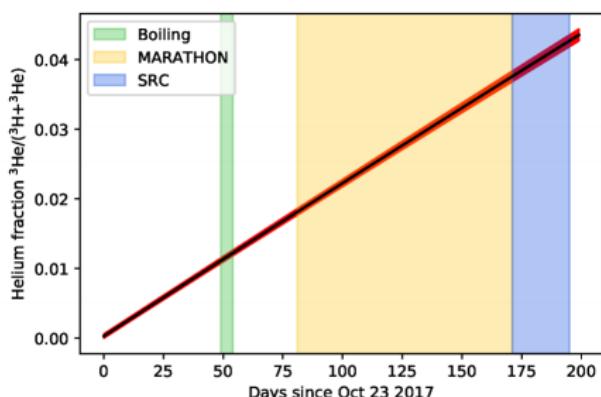


$$\tau(^3H) = 4500 \pm 8\text{ days}$$

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

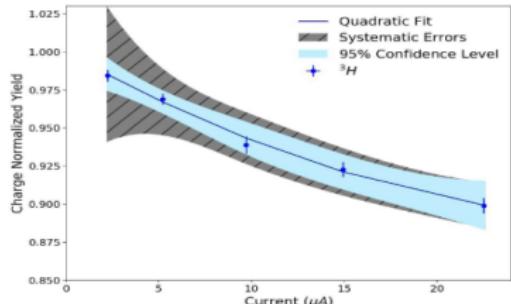
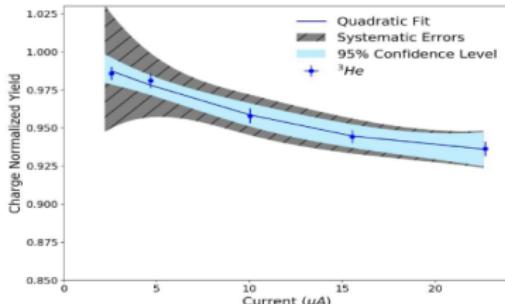
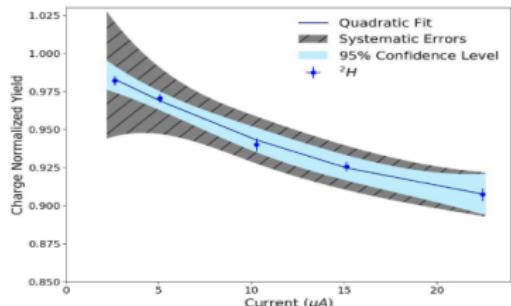
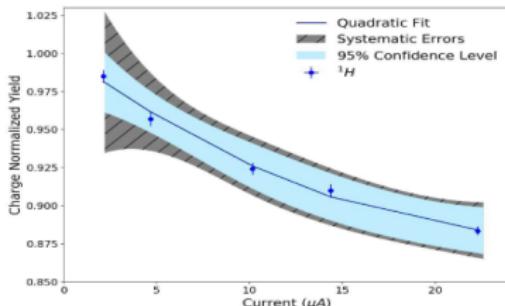
$$\sigma_{^3H} = \left( \frac{\sigma_{tot}}{\sigma_{^3He}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{1 - c} \right) - \left( \frac{1}{1 - c} \right)$$

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.Santiesteban et. al (2019)]

## 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

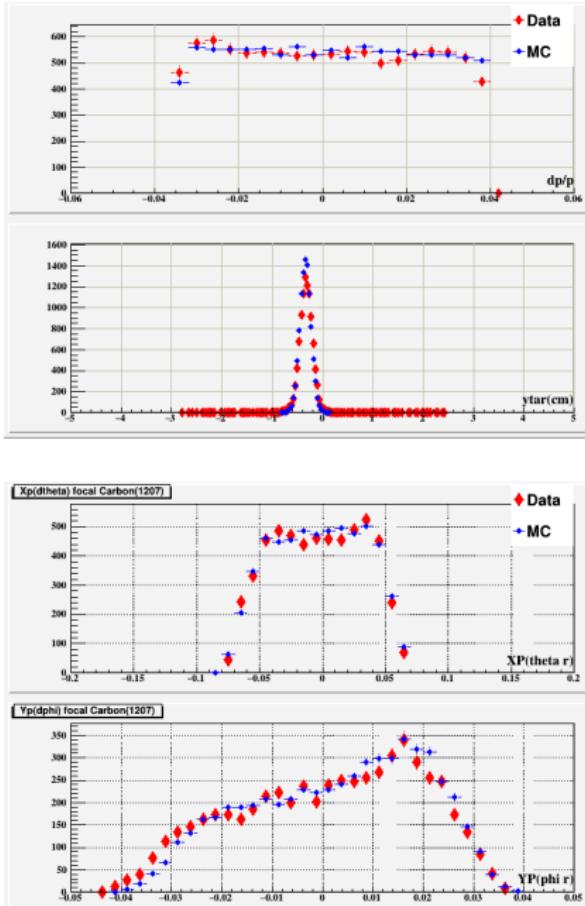
- $(\Delta E' \Delta \Omega)_{Data} = (\Delta E' \Delta \Omega)_{MC}$
- $A(E', \theta)_{Data} = A(E', \theta)_{MC}$

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

## 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
  - ▶ Full Mo and Tsai radiative correction

[A. Bodek and U.K. Yang, 2002]  
[L.W. Mo and Y.S. Tsai, 1969]



# Result

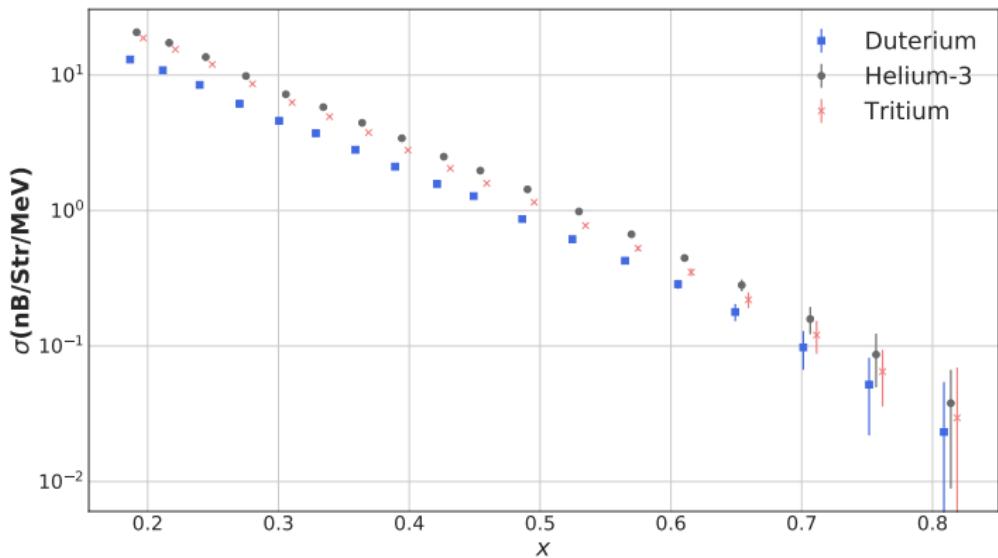
Deep Inelastic Cross Section

10.6 GeV Beam,  $W^2 > 3.5$

Cross Section Ratios

EMC Effect

# DIS Cross Section



Normalization uncertainty due to target thickness uncertainty  
 ${}^3\text{He} - 1.12\% \bullet {}^3\text{H} - 0.97\% \bullet \text{D} - 0.56\%$

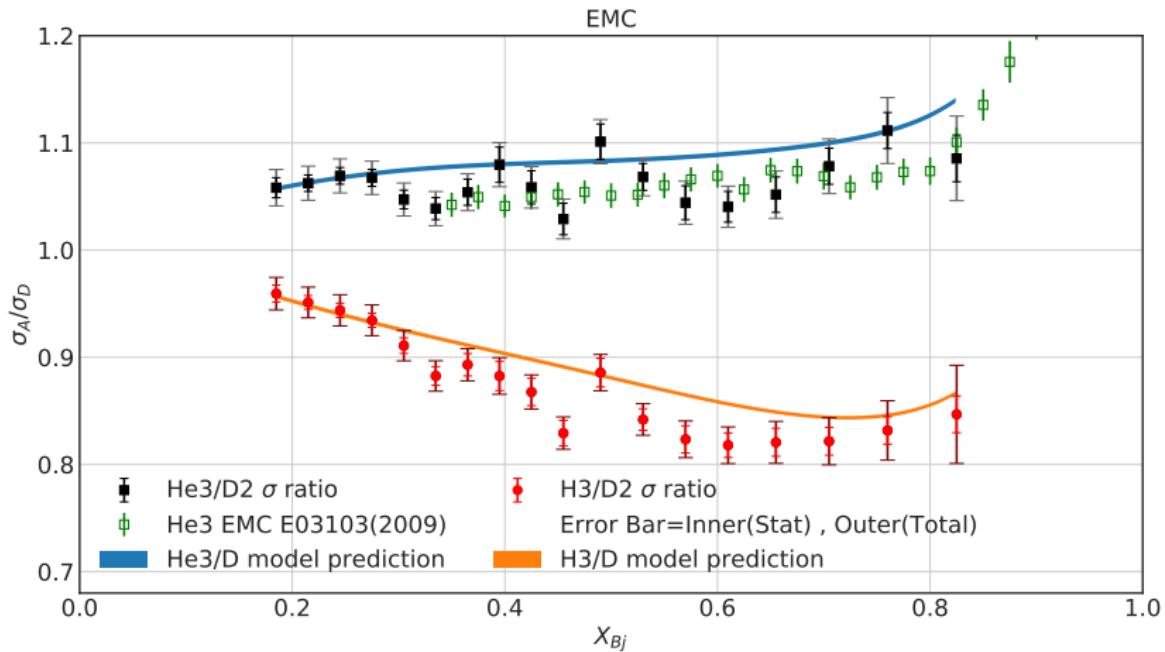
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<b>Yield Error</b>	0.01	0.0107	0.0149	0.0151	0.0141	0.0163
Stat Error*	0.0055	0.0059	0.01	0.0111	0.0113	0.0143
End Cap*	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007
Eff Error*	0.004	0.0051	0.0083	0.0071	0.0041	0.0032
<b>MC&amp;Model</b>	0.016	0.014	0.013	0.016	0.03	0.037
Resolution**	0.015	0.011	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.018
Model**	0.006	0.009	0.012	0.016	0.029	0.032
<b>Total Error</b>	0.019	0.018	0.02	0.022	0.033	0.04

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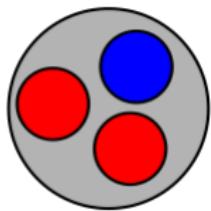
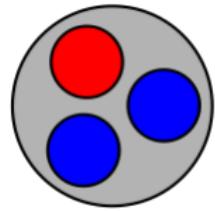
# Per Nucleon Cross Section Ratio



MARATHON results compared with E03103

[J.Seely, A. Daniel et al, 2009] and the A/D ratios from a DIS scattering model from Arie Bodek model [A. Bodek and U.K. Yang, 2002].

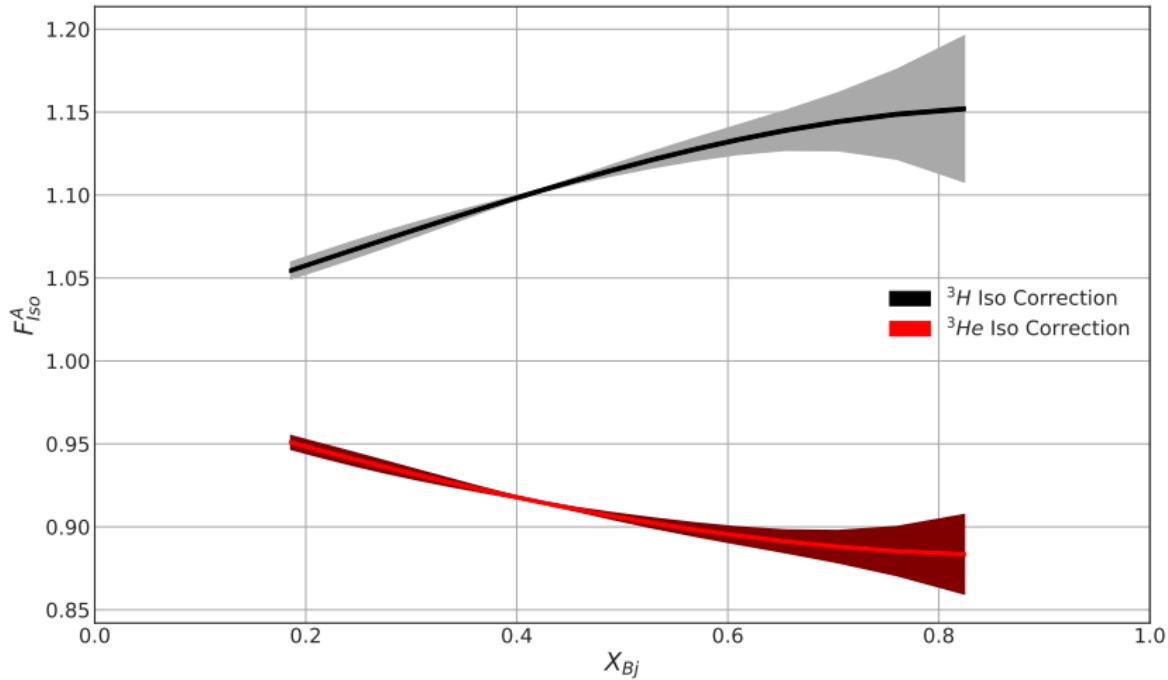
# Isoscalar Corrections



- Correct for the unpaired nucleon in the A/D ratio.

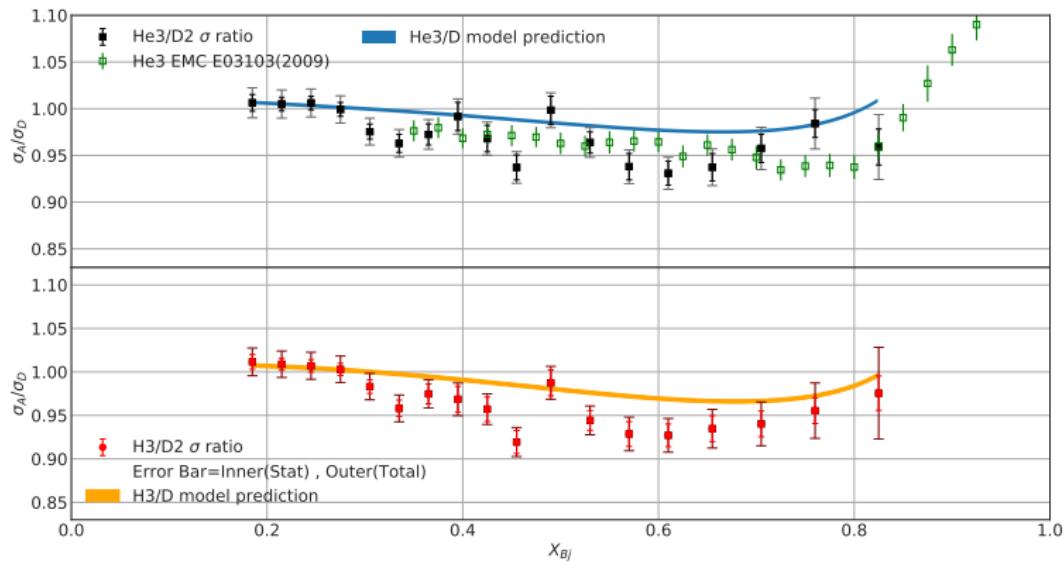
$$F_{Iso}^A = \frac{\left(0.5 * (1.0 + \frac{F_2^n}{F_2^p})\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{A} \cdot (Z + (A - Z) \cdot \frac{F_2^n}{F_2^p})\right)}$$

# Isoscalar Corrections



Isoscalar correction factor for both  ${}^3\text{He}$  and  ${}^3\text{H}$ . Model dependent calculation, error is calculated via comparing different models for  $\frac{F_2^n}{F_2^p}$ .

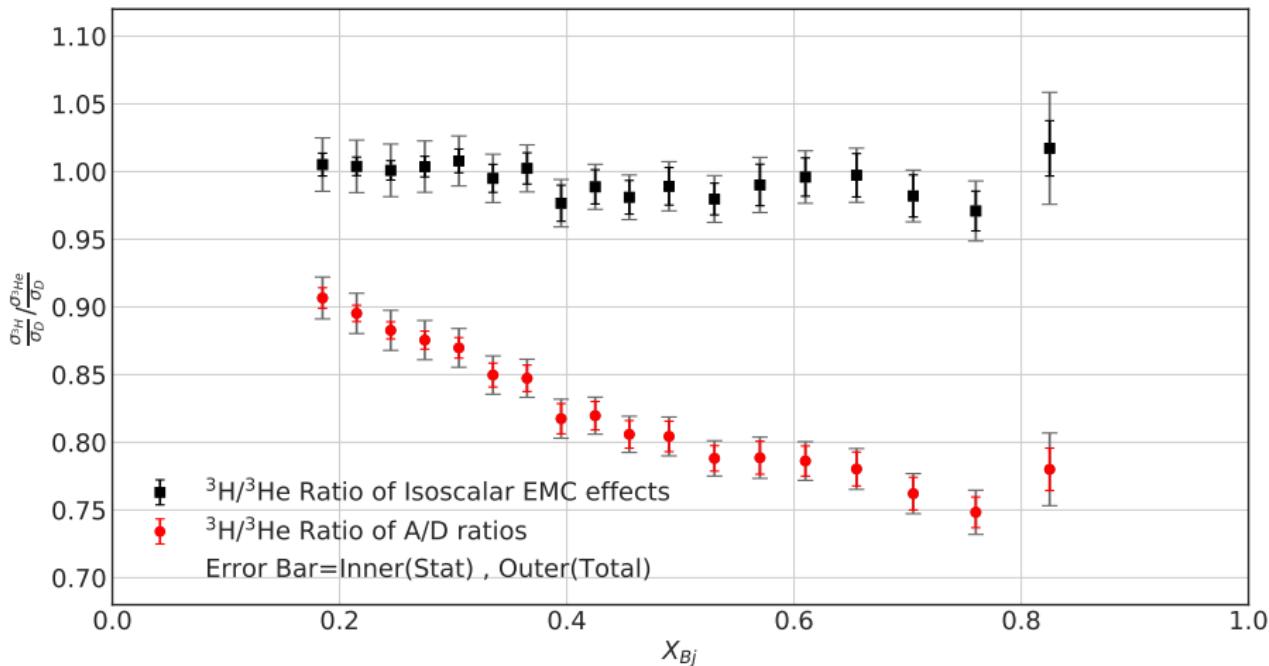
- My EMC results for He3 in black • H3 in red
- Previous Jlab He3 in green



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# Ratio of $^3\text{H}/^3\text{He}$ EMC effects



Ratio of EMC effects. Black is Isoscalar correct, red is not.

## Summary

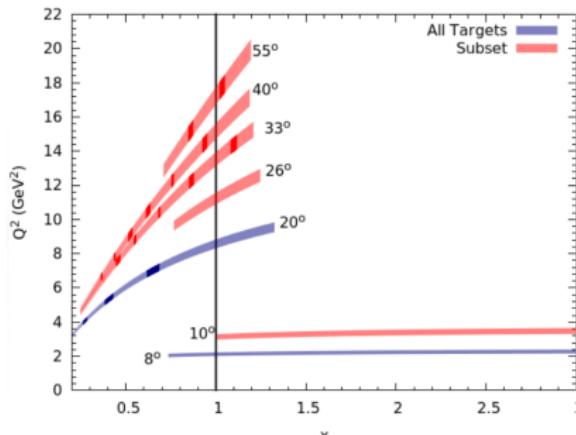
- Used DIS to extract inclusive cross section for  ${}^3\text{H}$ ,  ${}^3\text{H}3$ , and D
- Looked at the A/D ratio for both  ${}^3\text{H}$  and  ${}^3\text{H}3$
- Applied model dependent correction for excess protons and neutrons.
- Compared the EMC effects of the two, A=3 nuclei.
  - ▶ See no difference for Isoscalar EMC effects within analysis accuracy



# Detailed Studies of the nuclear dependence of F2 in light nuclei

[E12-100-008: J. Arrington, A Daniel, NF, D. Gaskell]

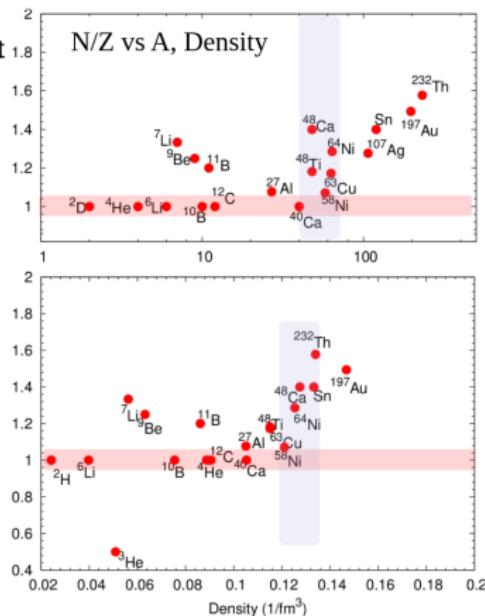
Target Choice motivated by physics impact



Coming soon\* in Hall C

What is soon?

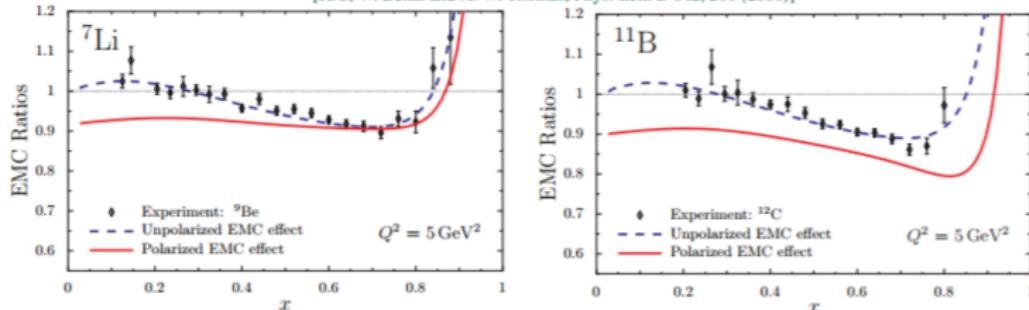
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# The EMC effect in spin structure functions

[E12-14-001: Will Brooks and Sebastian Kuhn]

[ICC, W. Bentz and A. W. Thomas, Phys. Lett. B **642**, 210 (2006)]



- A polarized EMC effect arises because in-medium quarks are more relativistic
  - Lower components of quark wave functions are enhanced
  - Quark Spin is converted to orbital angular momentum
- Spin Dependent cross-section is suppressed by  $1/A$
- Experiment to measure spin structure functions of  ${}^7\text{Li}$

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<b>Yield Error</b>	0.0104	0.011	0.0147	0.0149	0.0139	0.0161
Stat Error*	0.0063	0.0064	0.0098	0.0108	0.0111	0.0141
End Cap*	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007
Eff Error*	0.004	0.0051	0.0083	0.0071	0.0041	0.0031
<b>MC&amp;Model</b>	0.016	0.017	0.012	0.013	0.033	0.024
Resolution**	0.015	0.012	0.006	0.002	0.007	0.018
Model**	0.005	0.013	0.01	0.013	0.032	0.016
<b>Total Error</b>	0.019	0.02	0.019	0.02	0.036	0.029

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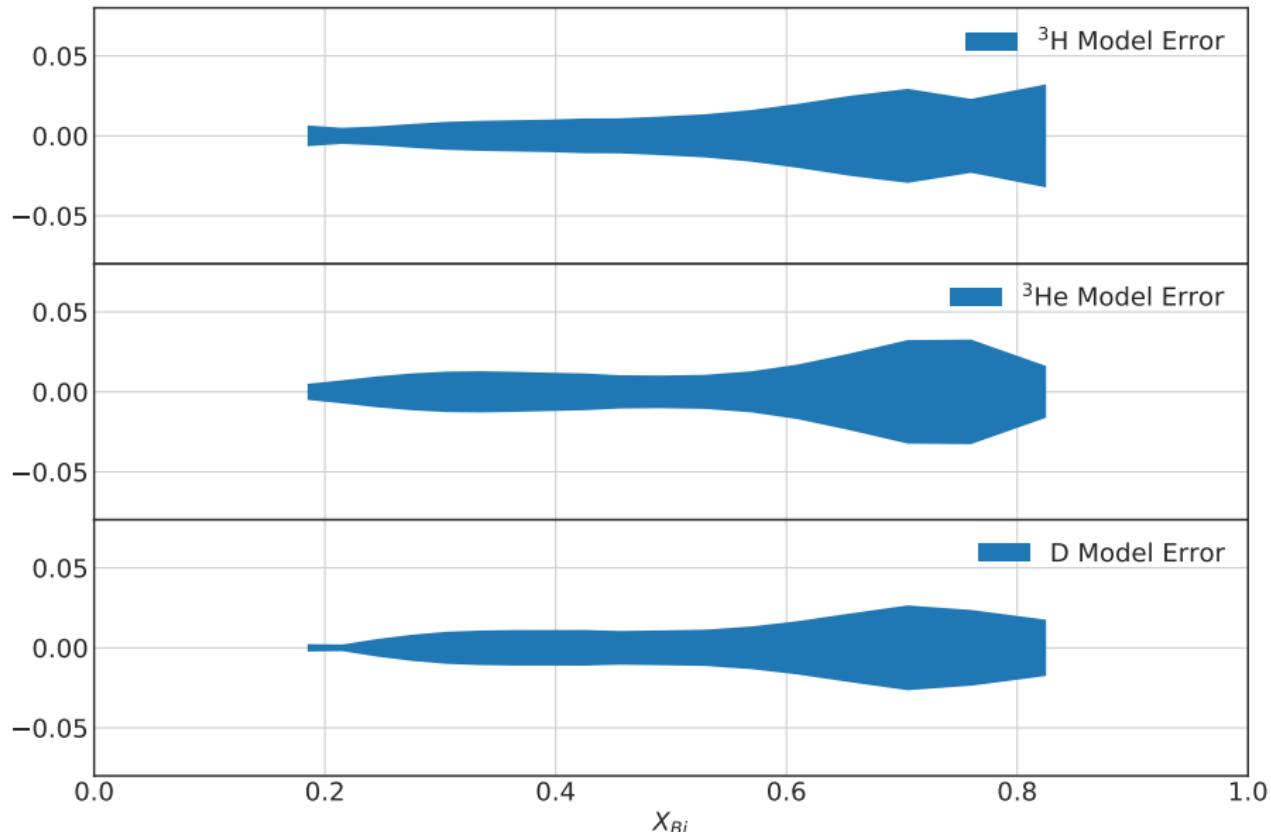
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<b>Yield Error</b>	0.0104	0.0104	0.0159	0.0148	0.0139	0.0164
Stat Error*	0.0062	0.0053	0.0113	0.0106	0.011	0.0143
End Cap*	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007
Eff Error*	0.004	0.0051	0.0081	0.0071	0.0041	0.0032
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Resolution**	0.015	0.011	0.006	0.002	0.007	0.02
Model**	0.002	0.01	0.011	0.013	0.027	0.018
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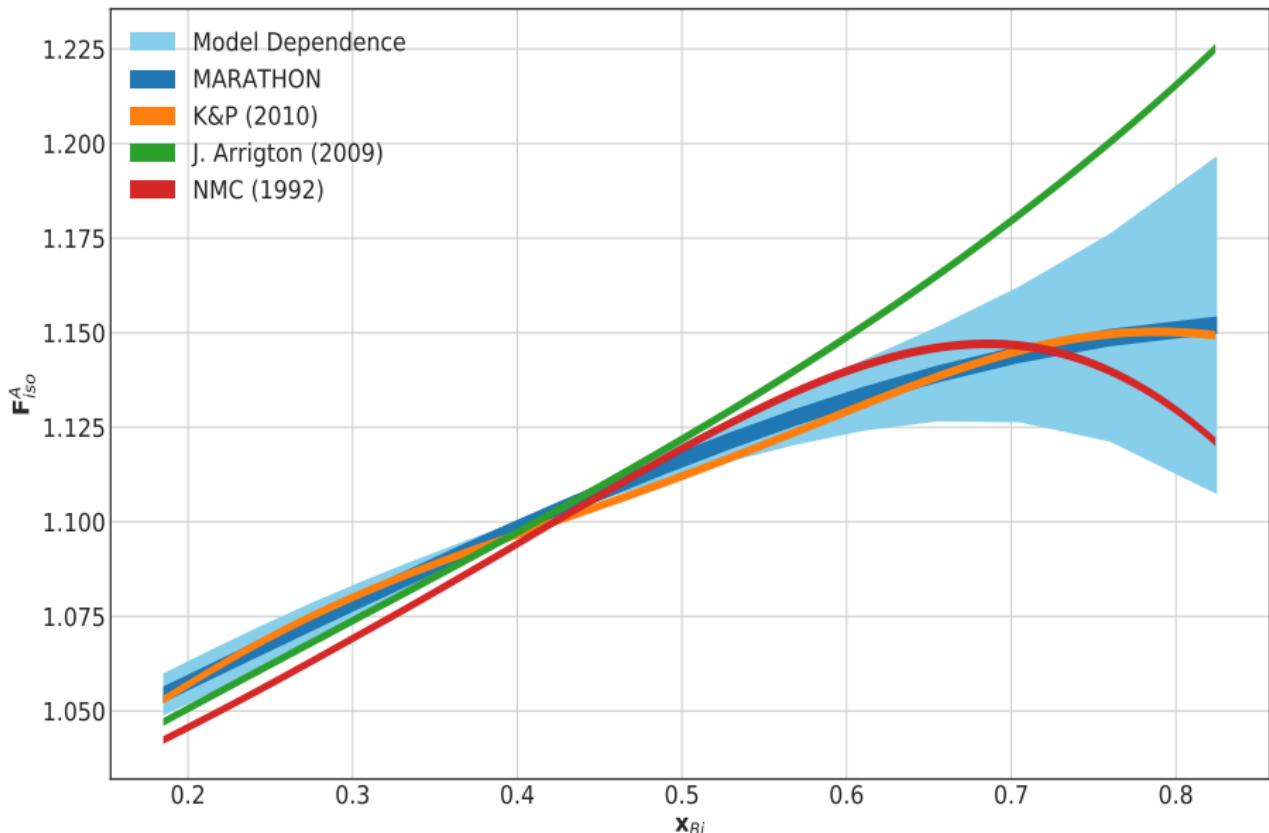
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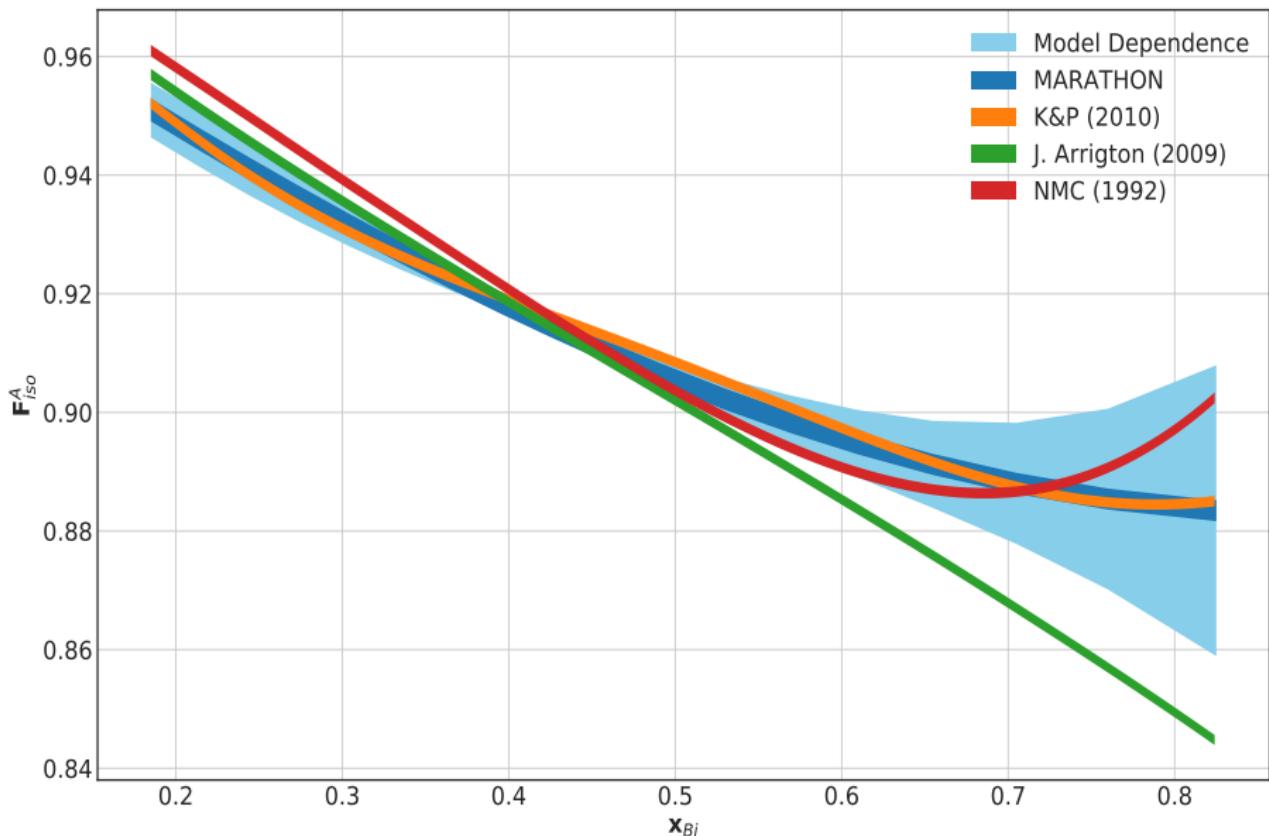
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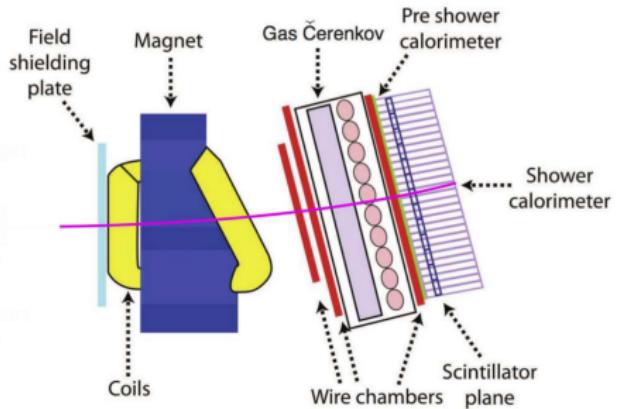
# Isoscalar Correction Error for ${}^3\text{H}$



# Isoscalar Correction Error for ${}^3\text{He}$



# Bigbite Spectrometer



Large Acceptance  
Spectrometer

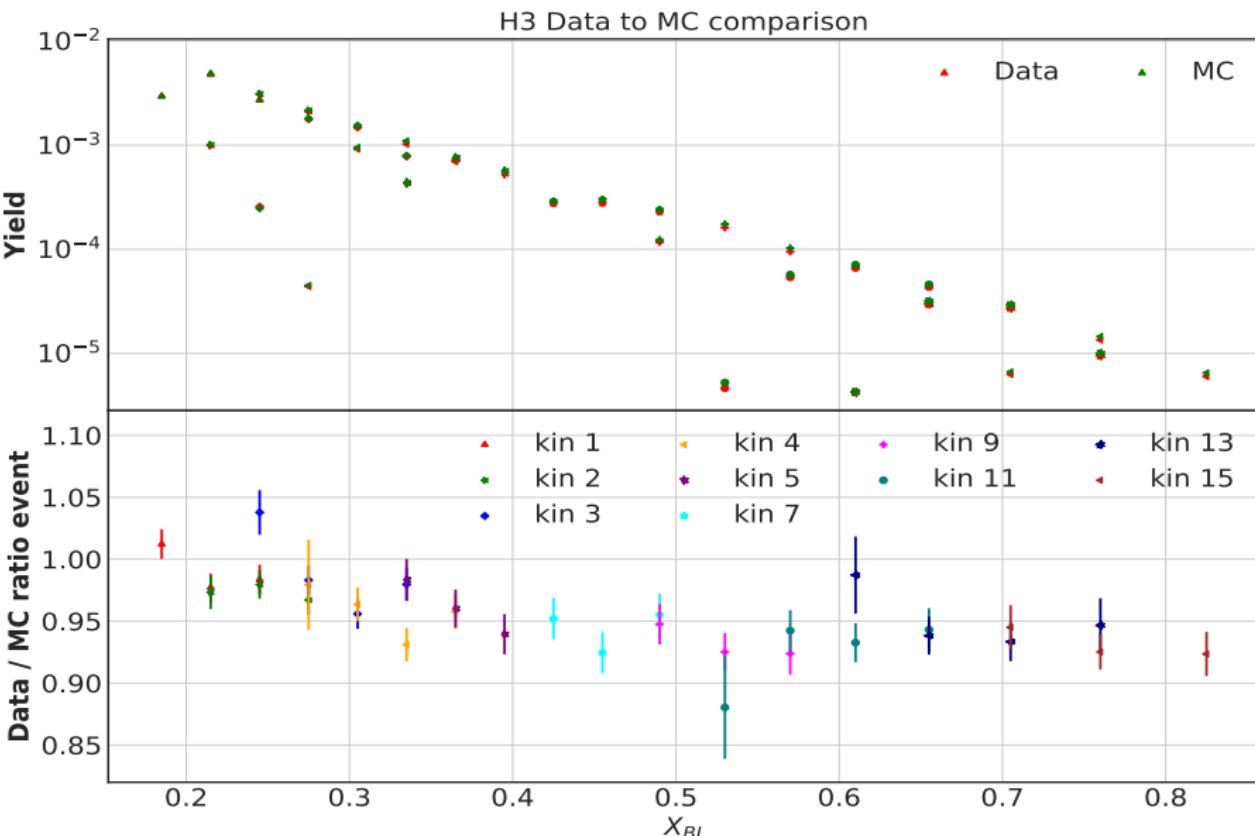
- Solid angle = 96 mrad
- Large Momentum Acceptance:  $> 500 \text{ MeV}/c$

## My contributions in preparing Bigbite

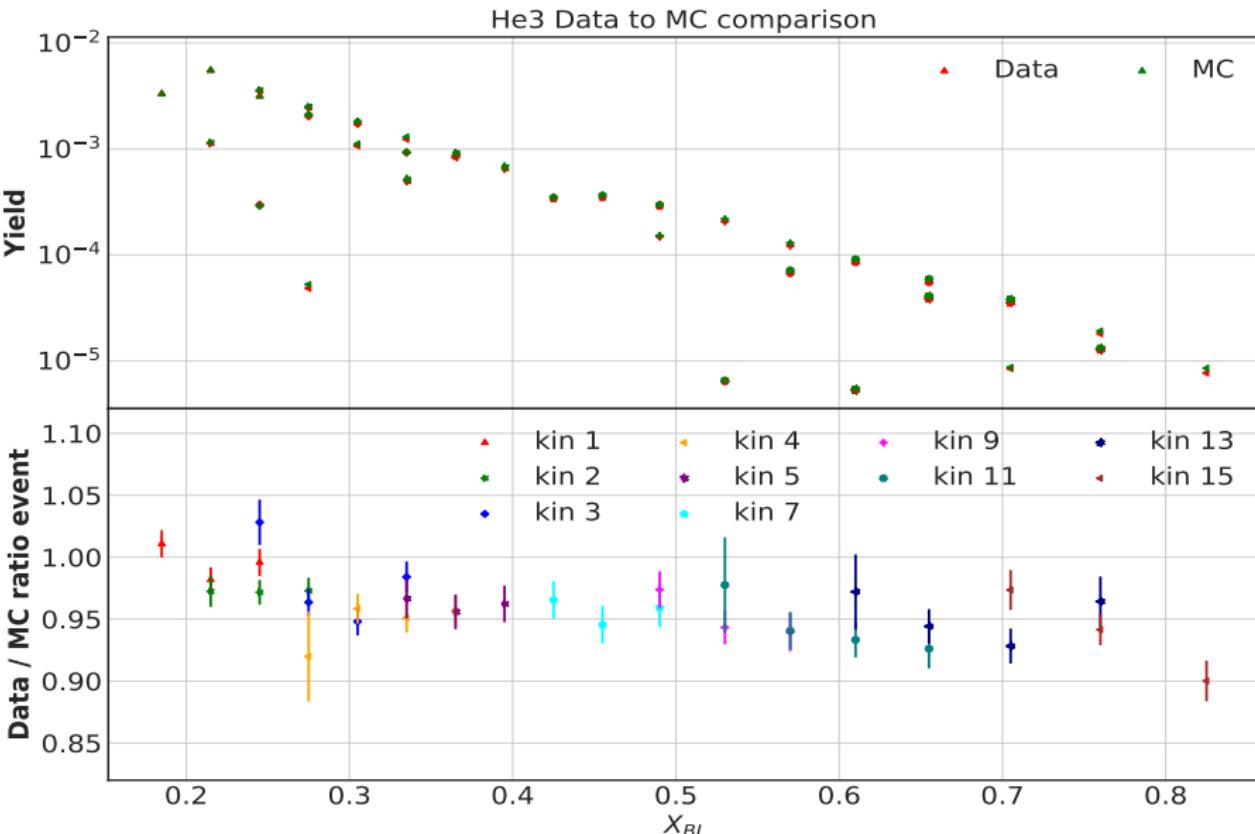
- Constructing the data acquisition system
- PMT performance studies
- Designing trigger logic
- Ensuring consistent and dependable HV power

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# Yield & MC ratio ${}^3\text{H}$



# Yield & MC ratio $^3\text{He}$



# Yield & MC ratio D

D2 Data to MC comparison

