

# Inclusive $e^+e^-$ pair production in cold nuclear matter

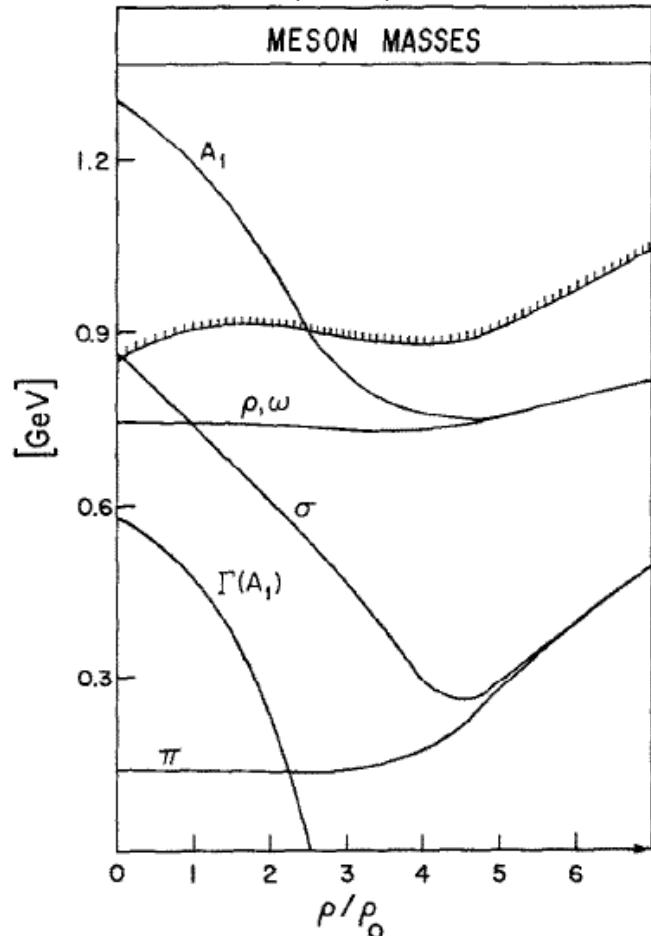
- Motivation:  
the  $\omega$  meson in matter
- HADES experiment:  
 $p + Nb \quad E_{kin} = 3.5 \text{ GeV}$
- $M_{inv}$  and momentum distributions
- Comparison:  
 $p + p \quad E_{kin} = 3.5 \text{ GeV}$
- Conclusion

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# $\omega$ in matter: some predictions

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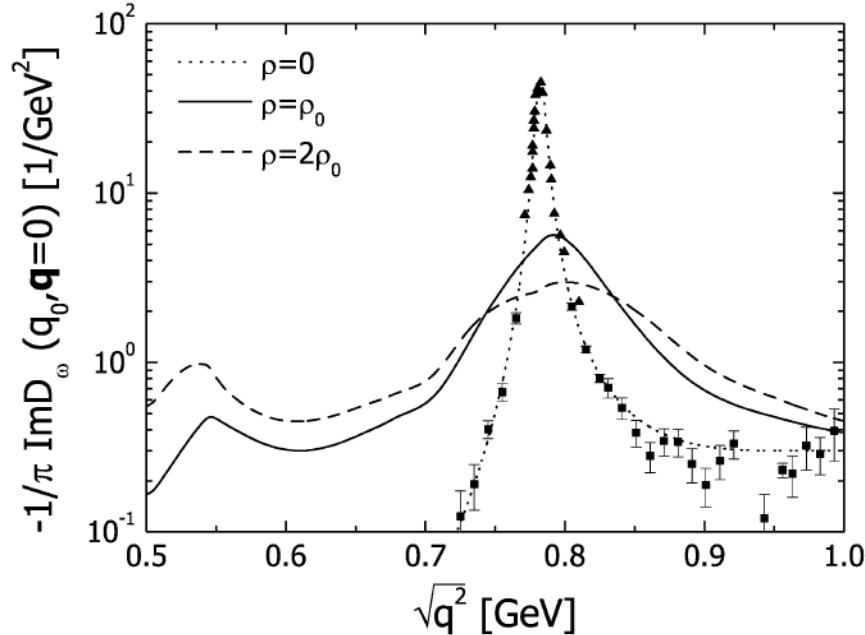
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NPA 489 (1988) 647



## NJL Lagrangian:

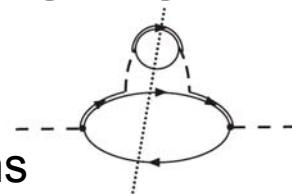
- mass degeneracy with increasing density

P.Mühllich et al.,  
NPA 780 (2006) 187



## Coupled channel eff. Lagrangian:

- Broadening ( $\sim 60$  MeV)
- Coupling to D13, S11 resonance-hole excitations



	<b>KEK</b>	<b>JLab</b>	<b>CBELSA/ TAPS</b>	<b>CERES</b>	<b>NA60</b>
reaction	pA 12 GeV	$\gamma A$ 0.6-3.8 GeV	$\gamma A$ 0.7-2.5 GeV	Au+Au 158 AGeV	In+In 158 AGeV
momentum acceptance	$p > 0.5 \text{ GeV}/c$	$p > 0.8 \text{ GeV}/c$	$p > 0.0 \text{ GeV}/c$	$p_t > 0.0 \text{ GeV}/c$	$p_t > 0.0 \text{ GeV}/c$
$\rho$	$\frac{\Delta m}{m} = -9\%$  no broadening	$\Delta m \approx 0$ some broadening		broadening favoured over density dependent mass shift	$\Delta m \approx 0$ strong broadening
$\omega$			$\frac{\Delta m}{m} \approx ??$ $\frac{\Gamma_\omega(\rho_\omega)}{\Gamma_\omega} \approx 16$		
$\Phi$	$\frac{\Delta m}{m} = -3.4\%$ $\frac{\Gamma_\phi(\rho_\phi)}{\Gamma_\phi} = 3.6$				

M.Naruki et al.,  
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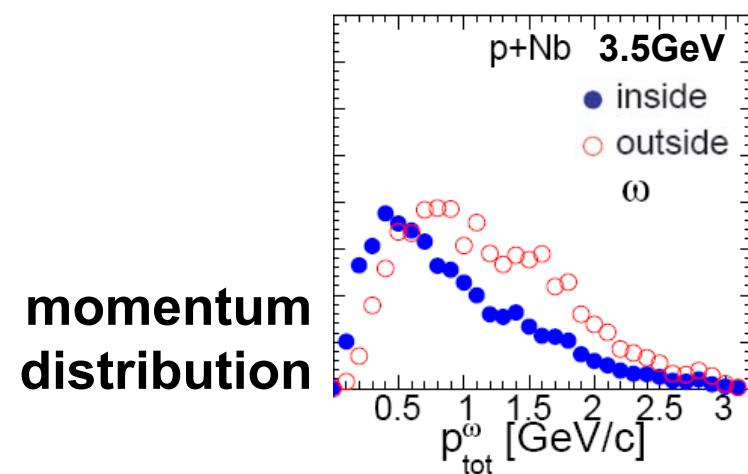
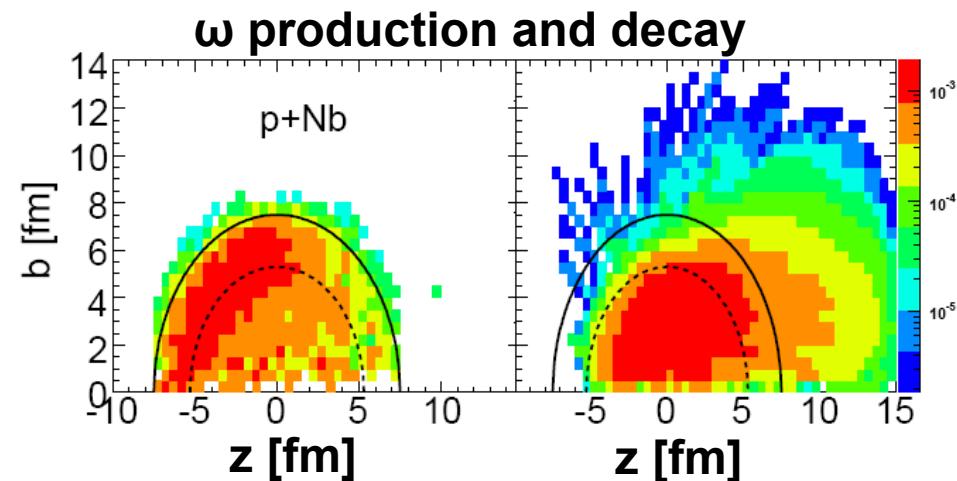
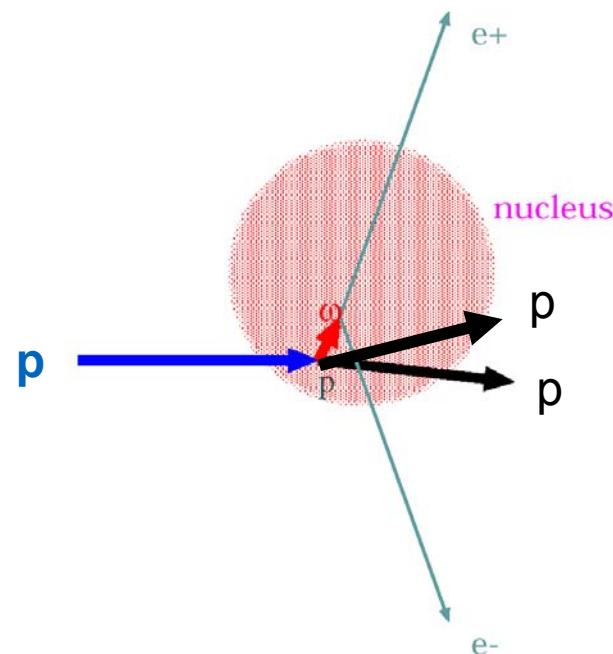
R. Arnaldi et al.,  
PRL 96 (2006)

Small energies above threshold ( $Q \sim 500$  MeV)



$e^+e^-$ : reconstruct  $\omega$  mass

$$m_\omega = \sqrt{(\sum E_i)^2 - (\sum p_i)^2}$$

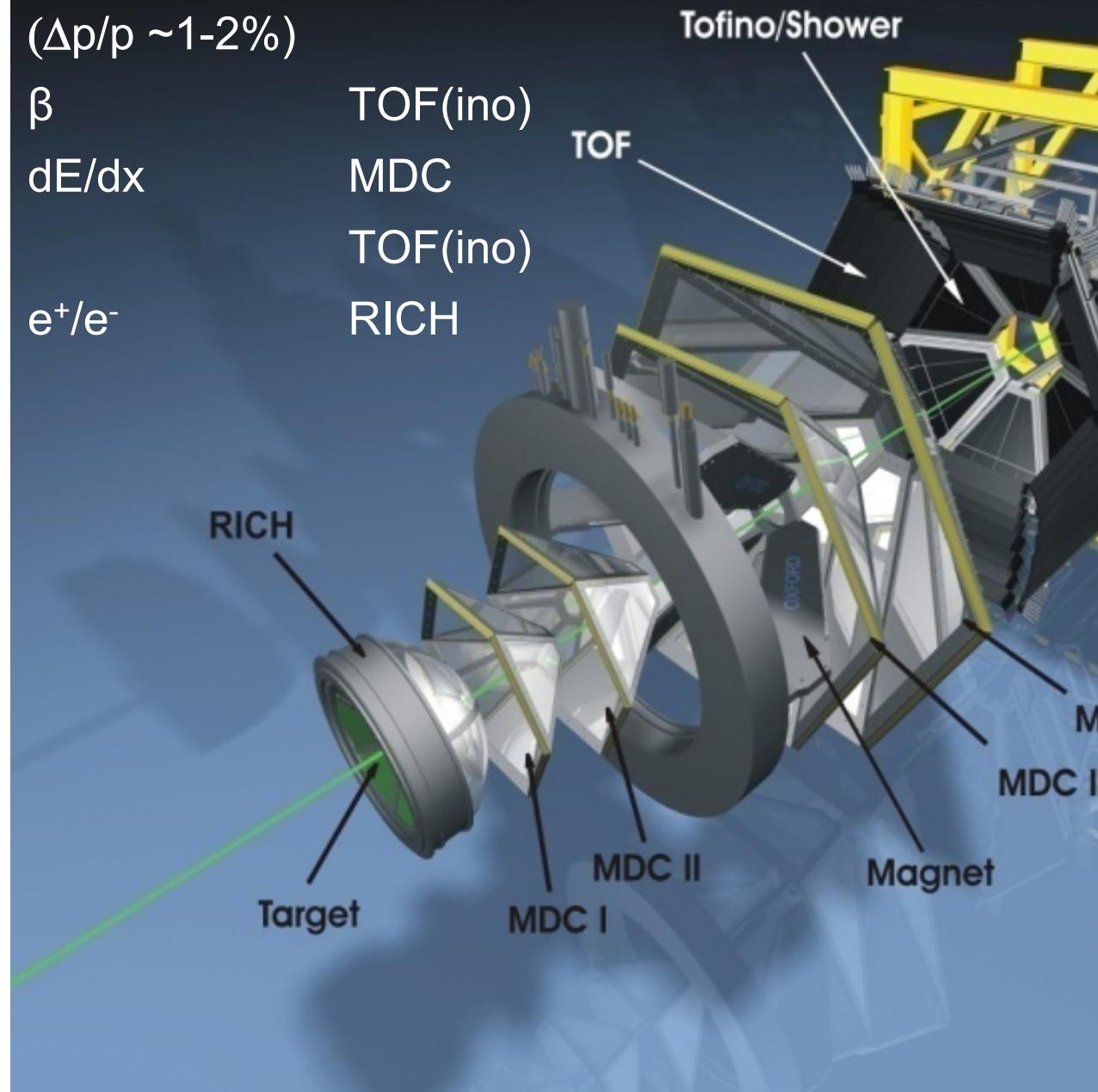


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# HADES

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observ.	detector
p ( $\Delta p/p \sim 1\text{-}2\%$ )	MDC
$\beta$	TOF(ino)
$dE/dx$	MDC
	TOF(ino)
$e^+/e^-$	RICH



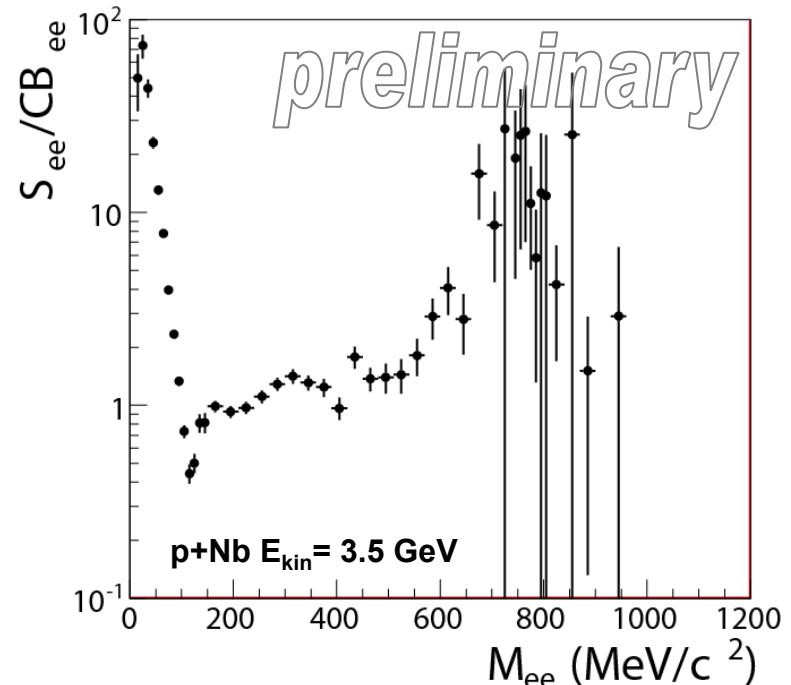
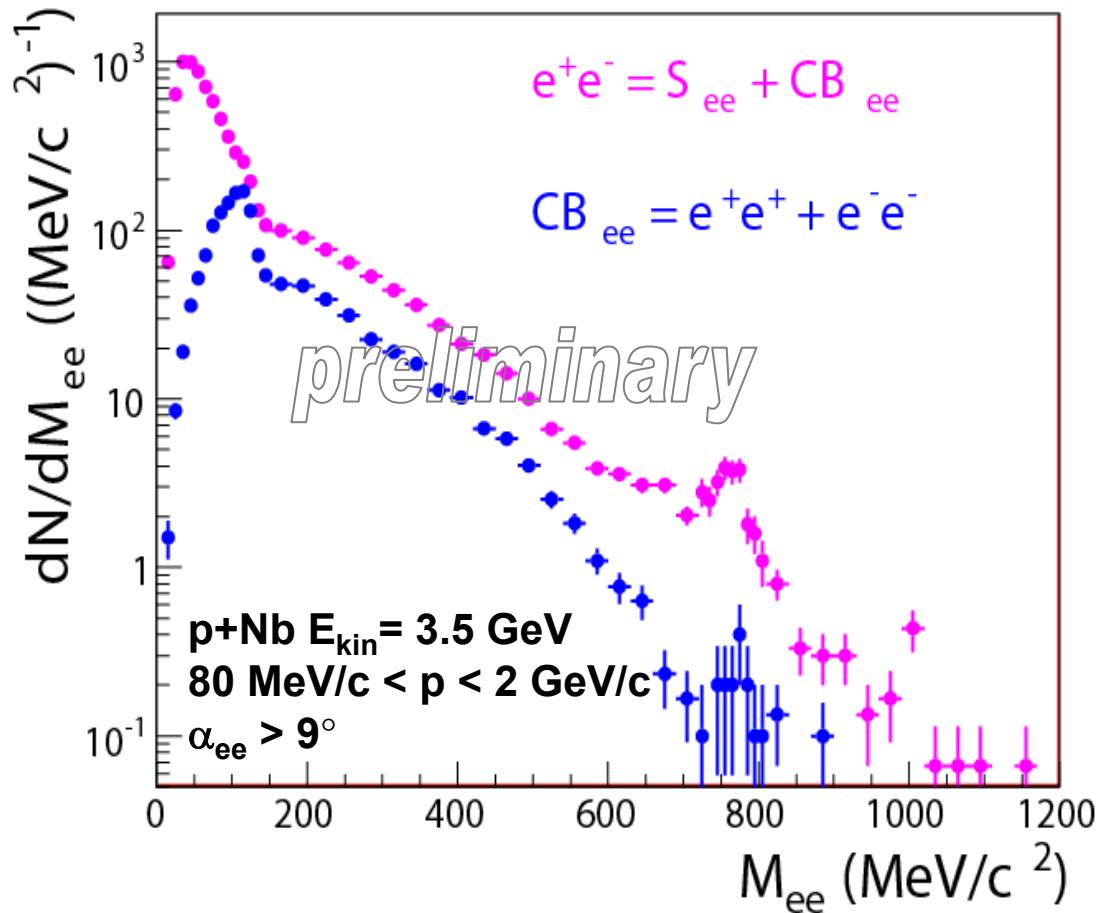
Beam:  $p$   

- $E_{\text{kin}} = 3.5 \text{ GeV}$
- $I \sim 1\text{-}2 \cdot 10^7 \text{ 1/s}$

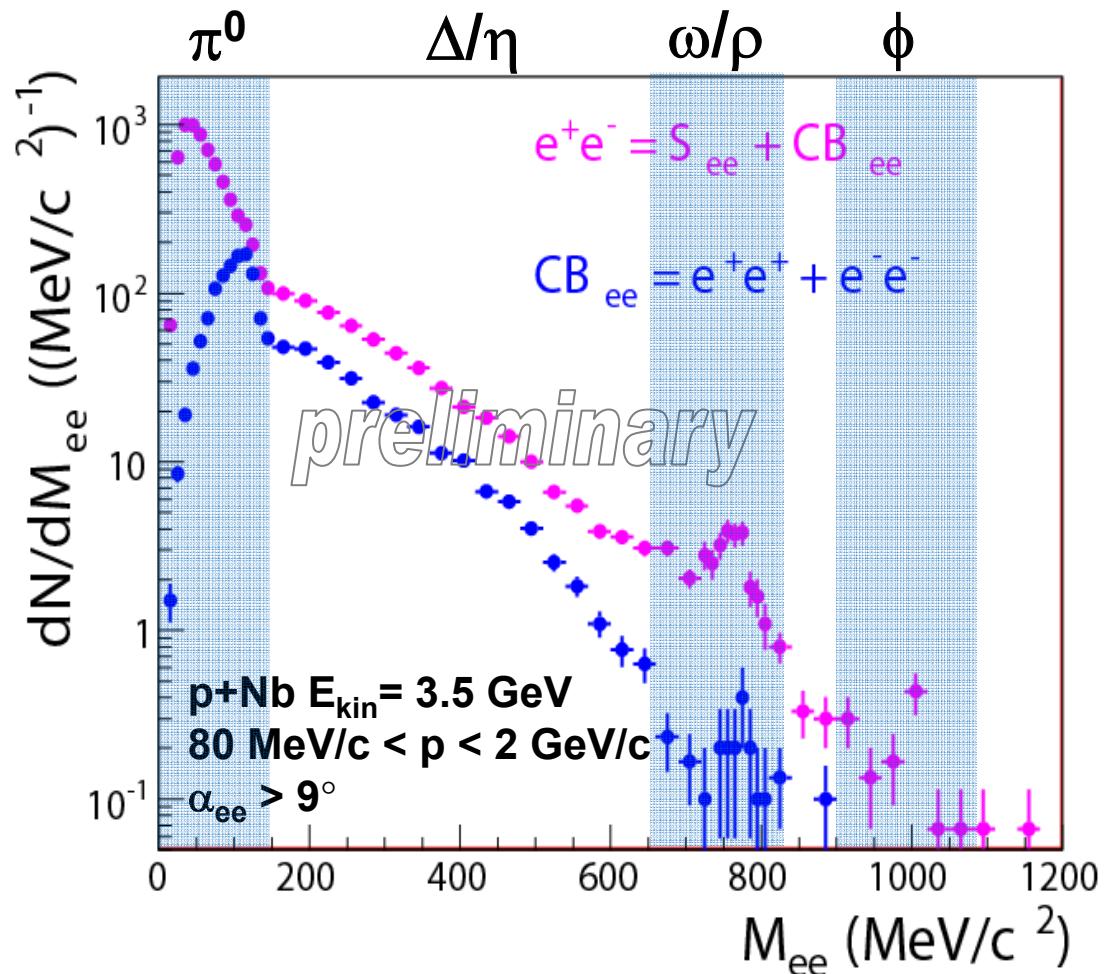
Target:  $^{93}\text{Nb}$   

- $12 \times 0.45 \text{ mm}$
- 3% reaction probability

 $9.2 \cdot 10^9 \text{ collisions}$



$S/N \sim 10$  in  $\omega/\rho$  region



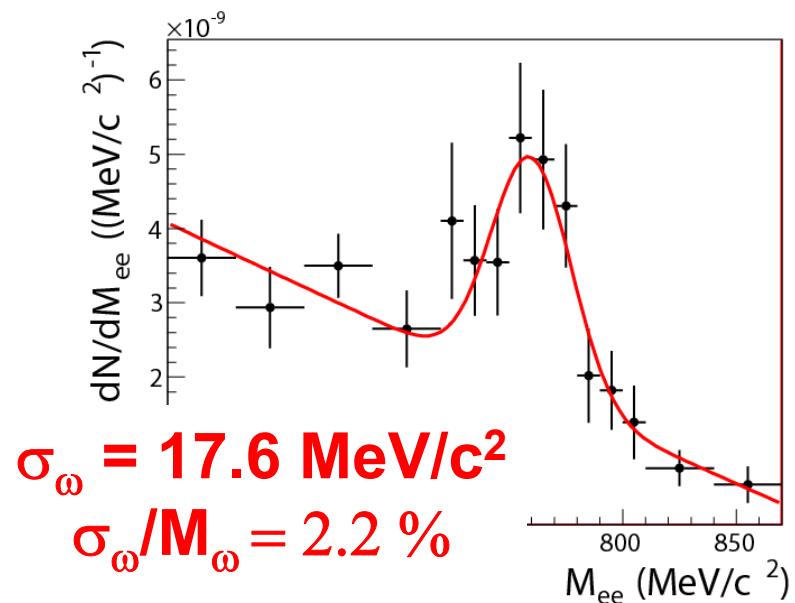
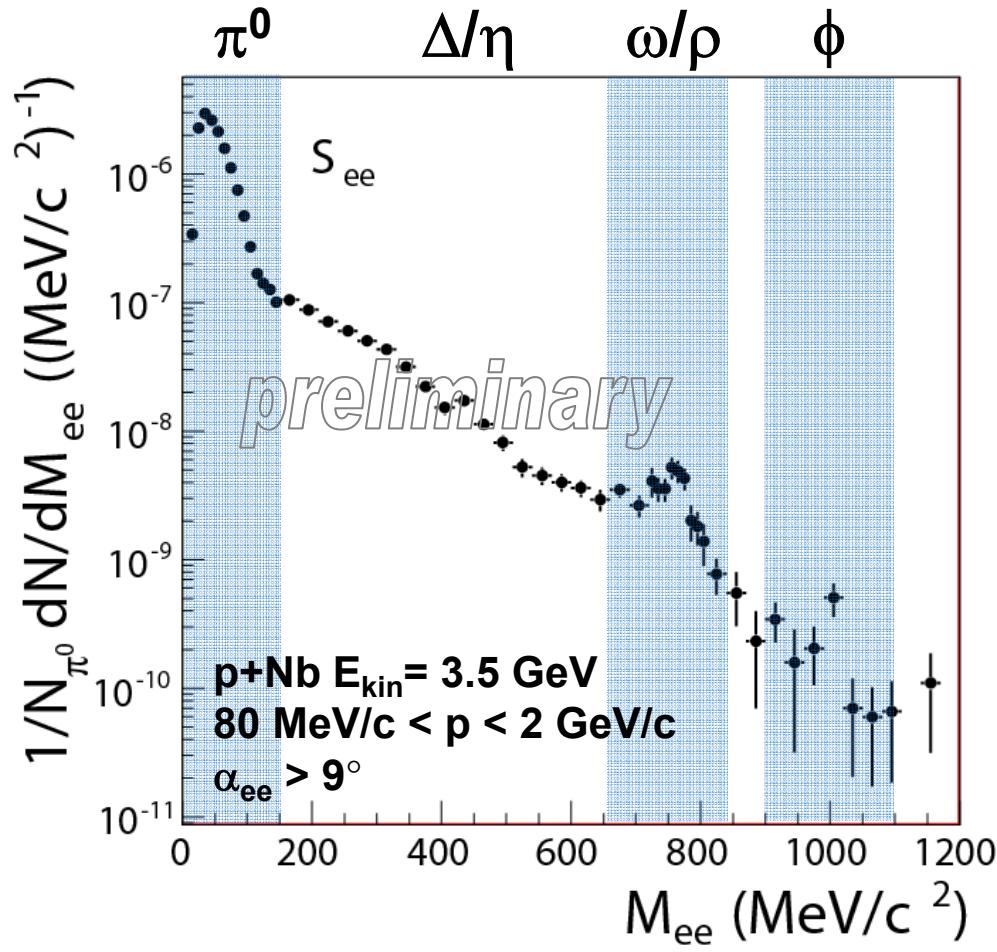
Sources of e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> pairs:

$\gamma$	$\rightarrow$	$e^+e^-$
$\pi^0$	$\rightarrow$	$\gamma$ $e^+e^-$
$\Delta$	$\rightarrow$	$N$ $e^+e^-$
$\eta$	$\rightarrow$	$\gamma$ $e^+e^-$
$\omega$	$\rightarrow$	$\pi^0$ $e^+e^-$
$\omega/\rho$	$\rightarrow$	$e^+e^-$
$\phi$	$\rightarrow$	$e^+e^-$

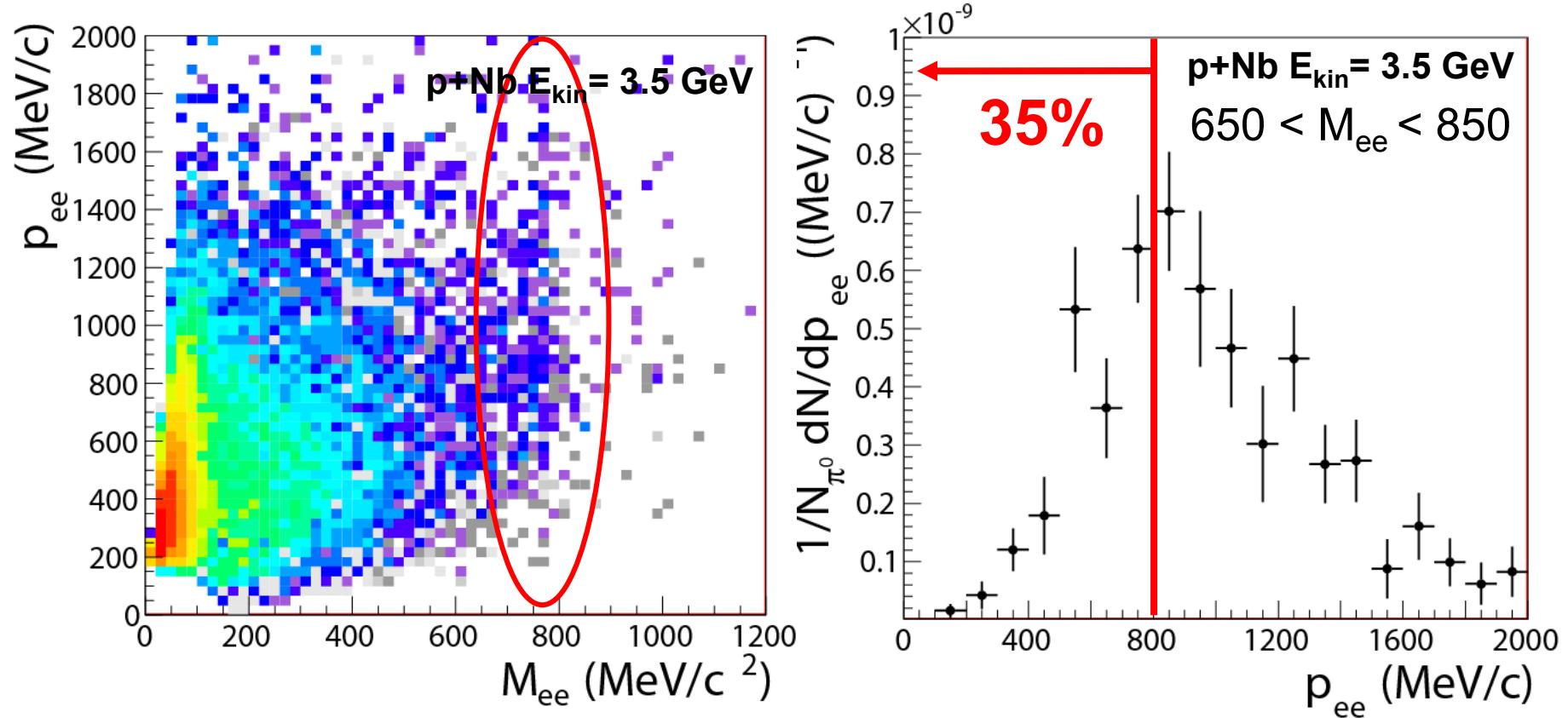
- to  $\pi^0$  yield:
  - compare measured  $\pi^\pm$  yield with transport model (UrQMD)
  - conclude from reproduced  $\pi^\pm$  yield  
to  $\pi^0$  yield and extrapolate to  $4\pi$
- to reaction cross section:

p+Nb :  $\sigma_R = 1080 \text{ mb}$  Wellisch et al., PRC 54 (1996) 1329  
 $\sigma(\pi^0)/\sigma_R = 0.66$  from UrQMD calculation  
 $\sigma(\pi^0) = 713 \text{ mb}$

Normalized to  $\pi^0$  yield

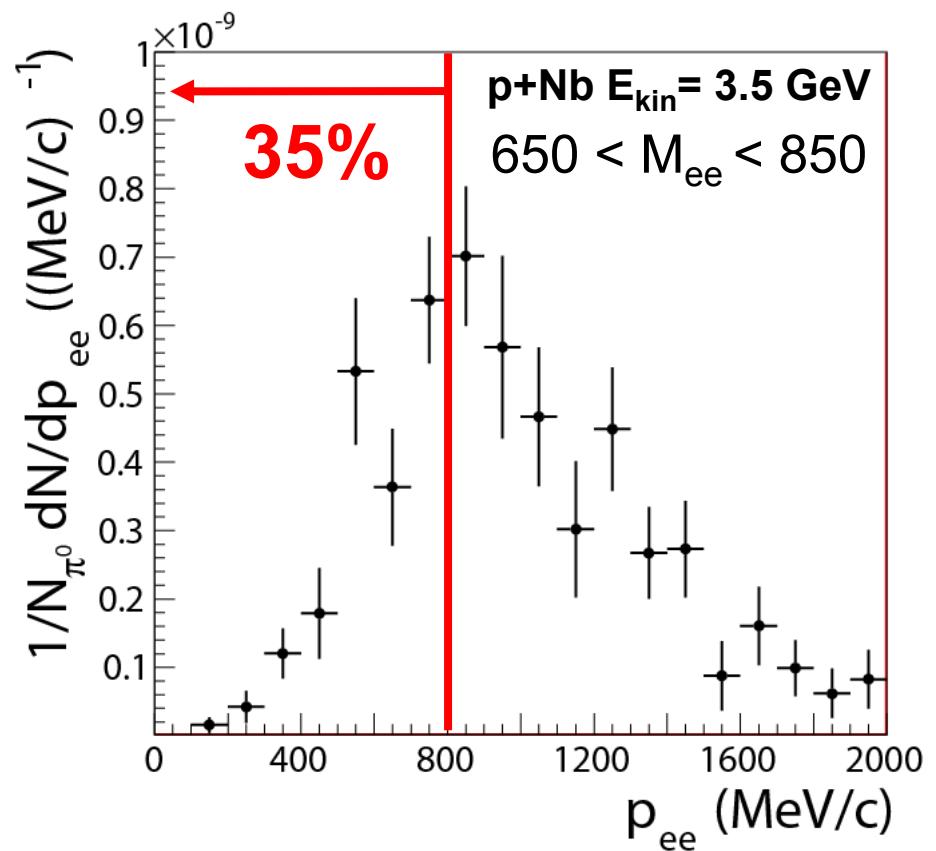
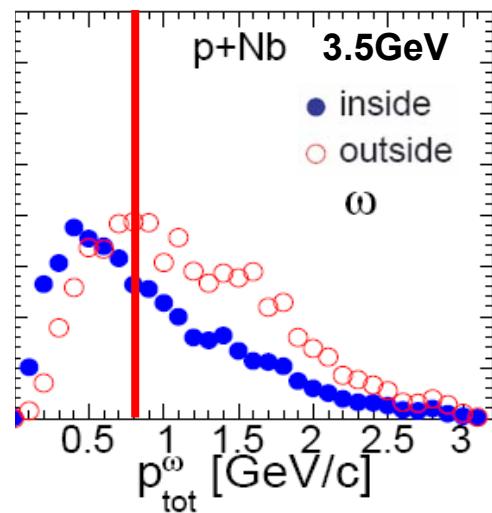


signal pairs	$6.5 \cdot 10^5$
$\pi^0$ region	$5.5 \cdot 10^5$
$\omega/\rho$ region	463
$\phi$ region	36



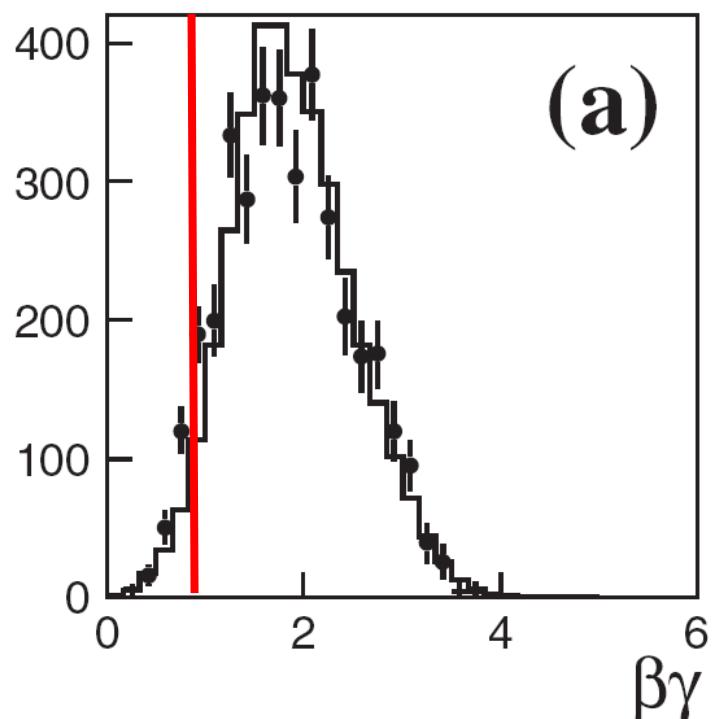
HADES: Significant  $e^+e^-$  yield with low pair momenta

decays inside nucleus



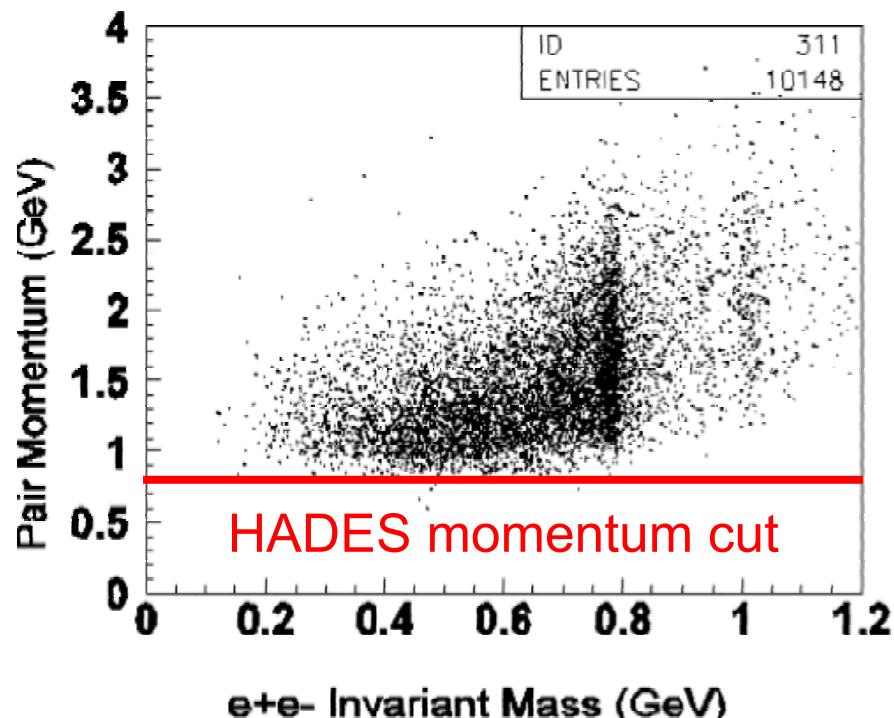
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KEK:



R.Muto et al., PRL 98 (2007) 042501

JLAB:



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Beam:

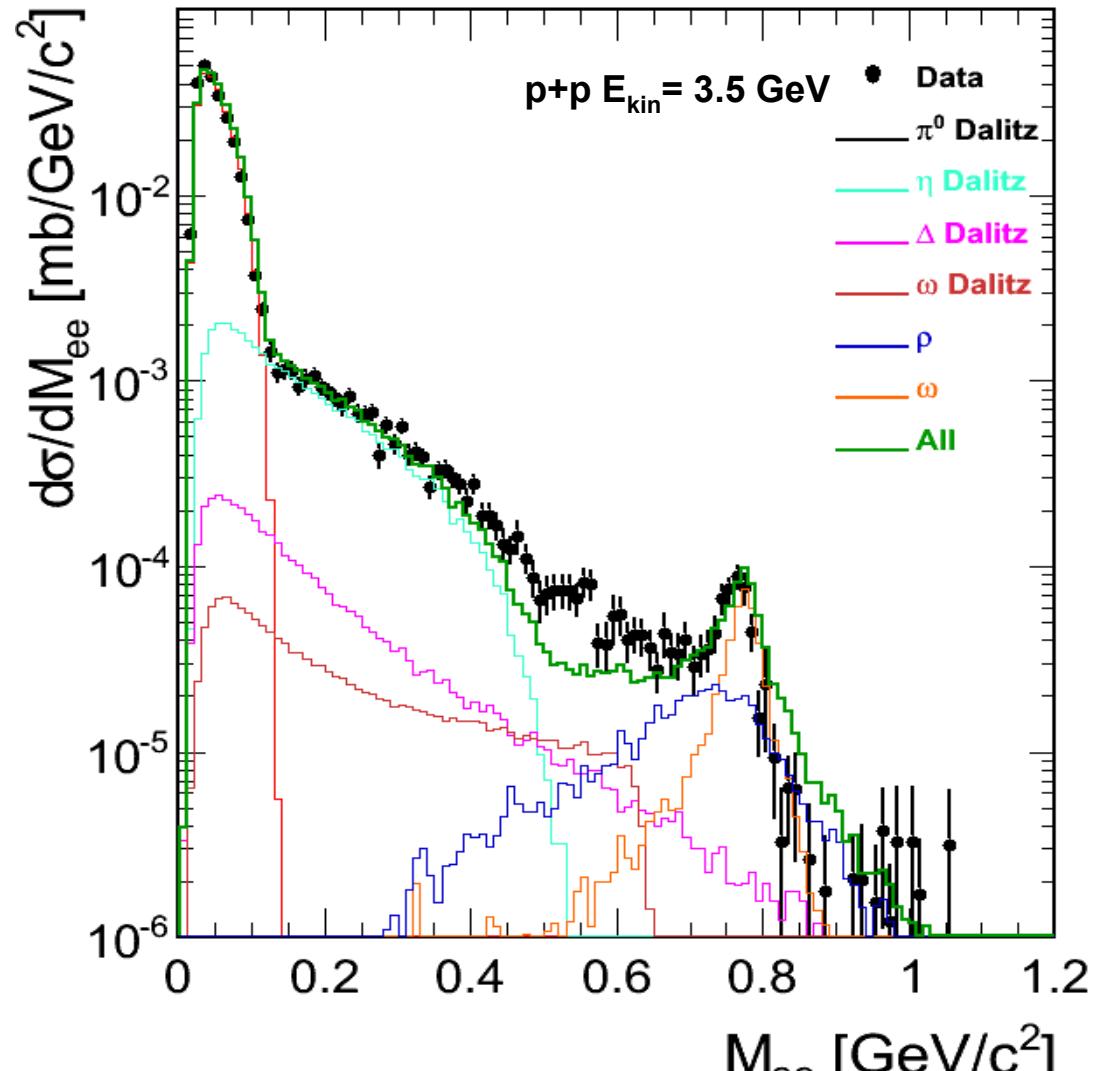
- $E_{\text{kin}} = 3.5 \text{ GeV}$
- $I \sim 1 \cdot 10^7 \text{ 1/s}$

Target:

- 4.4 cm liquid hydrogen
- $3.5 \cdot 10^9$  events

**Normalization to elastic scattering:**  
Inclusive cross sections (mb)

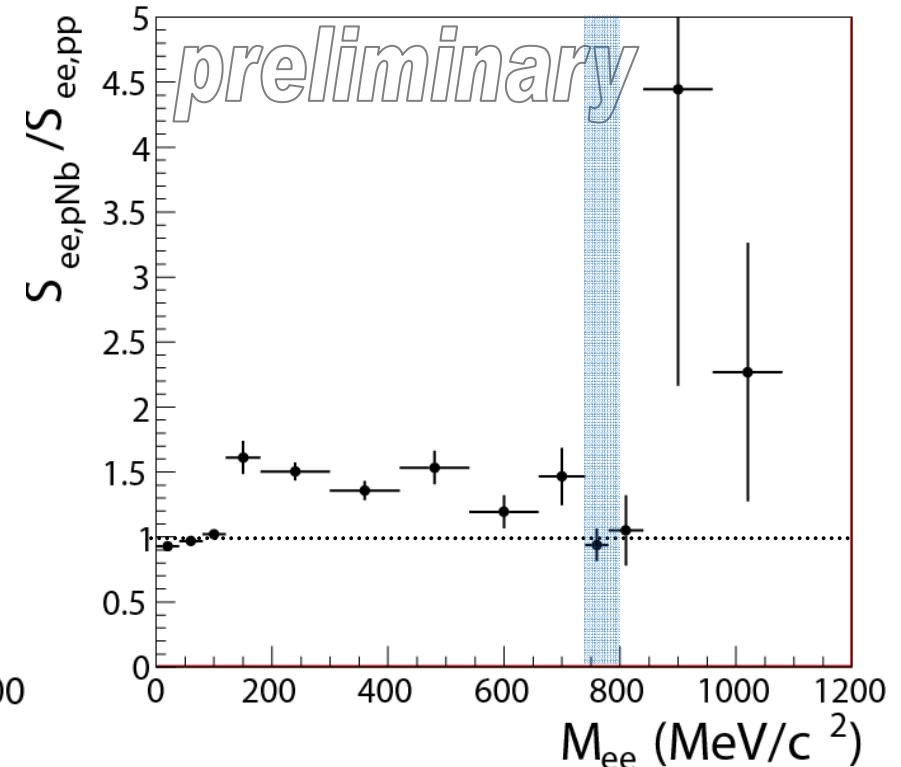
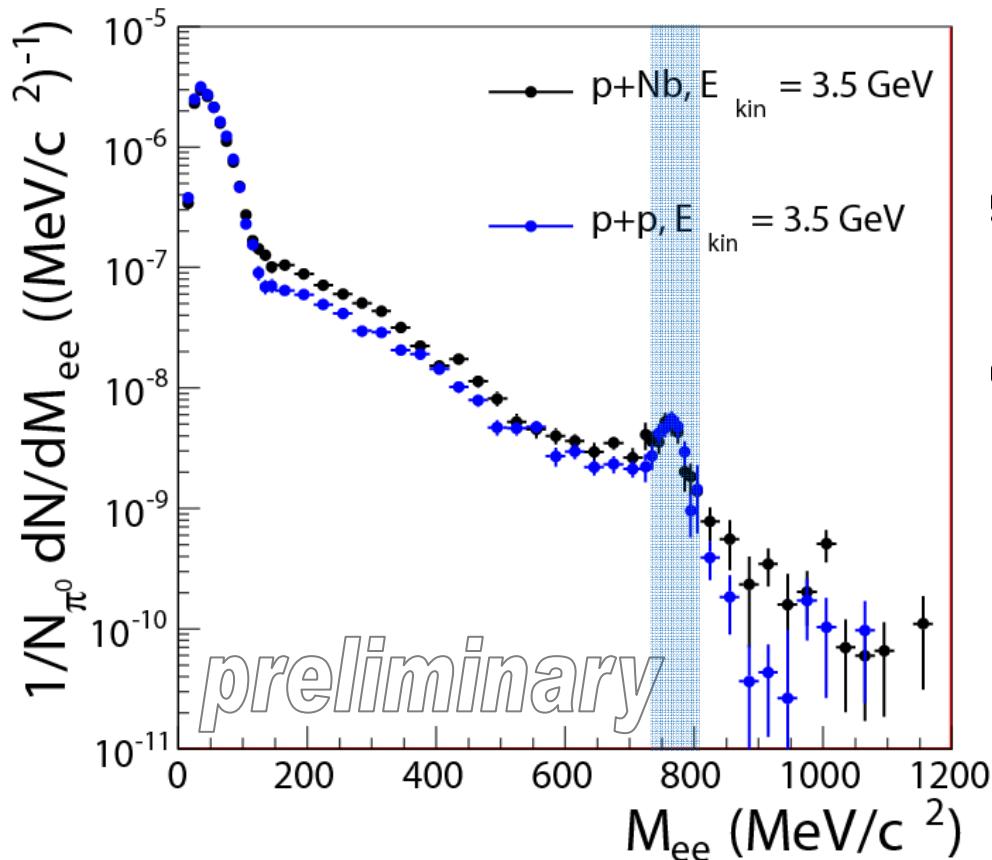
$\pi^0$	16.1	$\pm 2.6$
$\eta$	0.93	$\pm 0.2$
$\omega$	0.25	$\pm 0.05$
$\rho$	0.38	$\pm 0.07$



Shown on Thursday by A. Rustamov

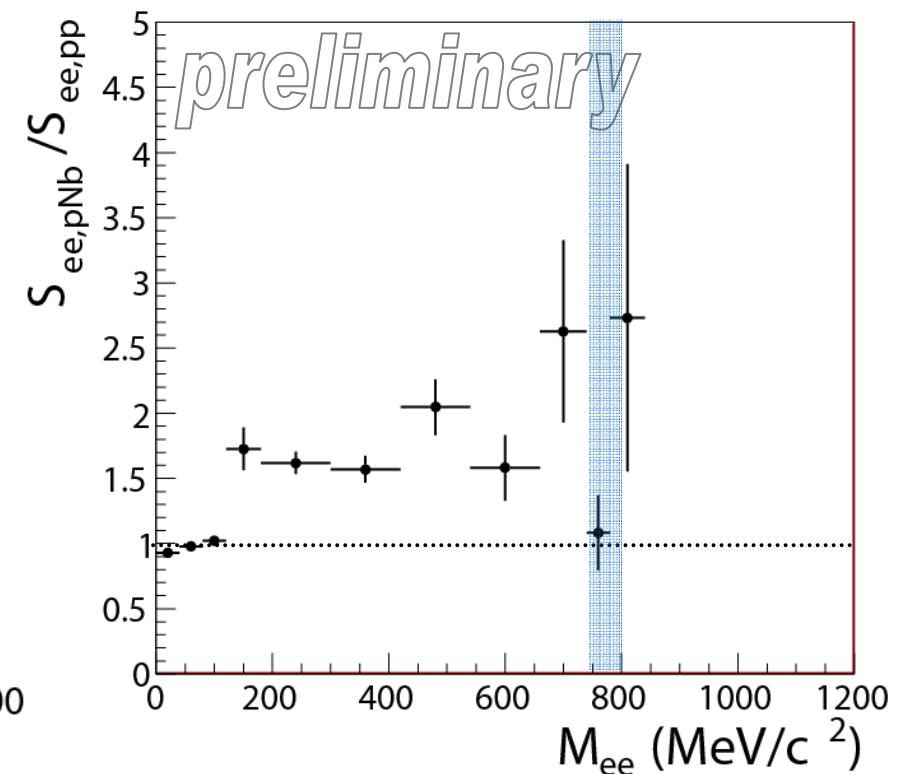
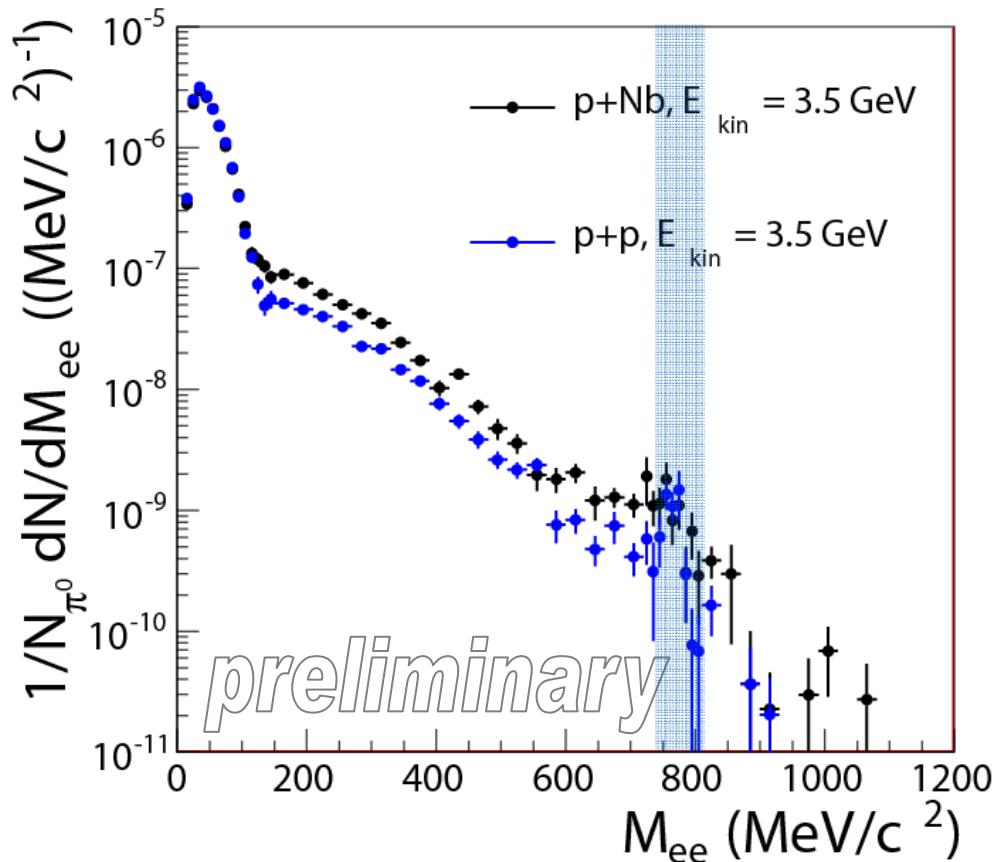
Normalized to  $\pi^0$  yield

All momenta



Normalized to  $\pi^0$  yield

$p_{ee} < 800 \text{ MeV/c}$



# Cross sections

- $\sigma_{pd} = 2 \sigma_{pp}$   $E_{kin} = 4.88$  GeV  
 $\rightarrow$  neglect isospin effects

Wilson et al., PRC 57(1997) 1865

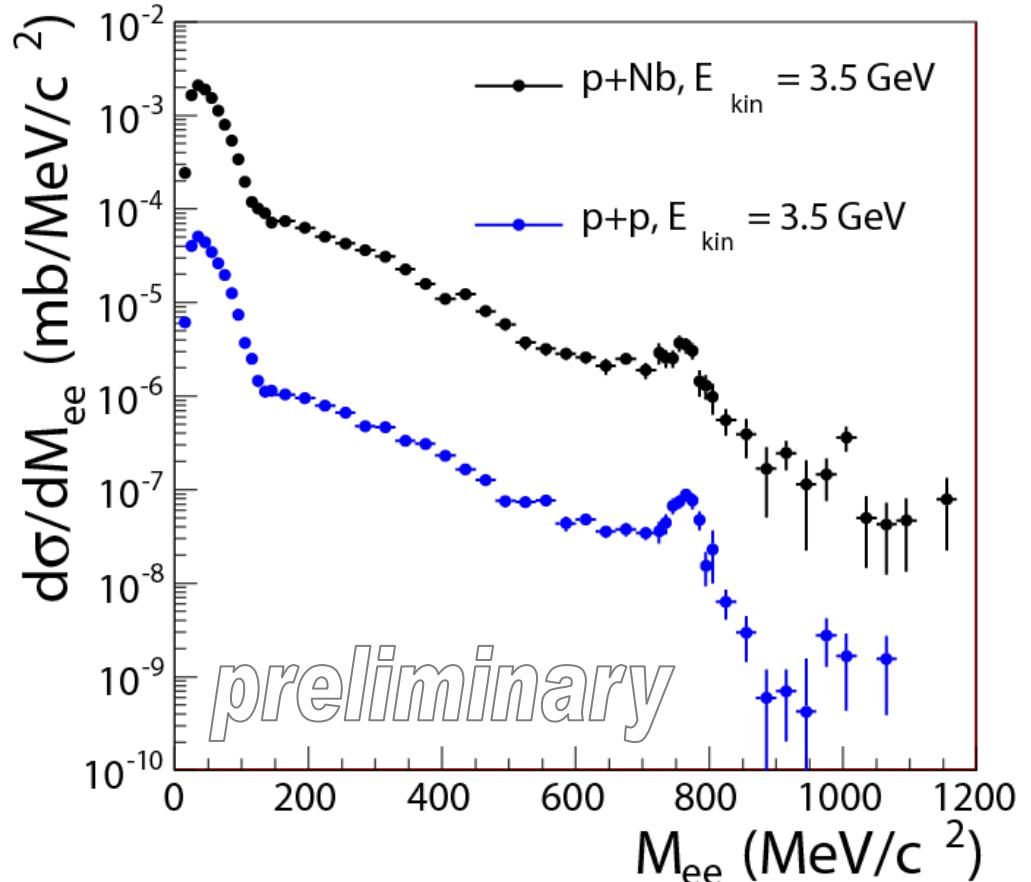
- A dependence of production / absorption:

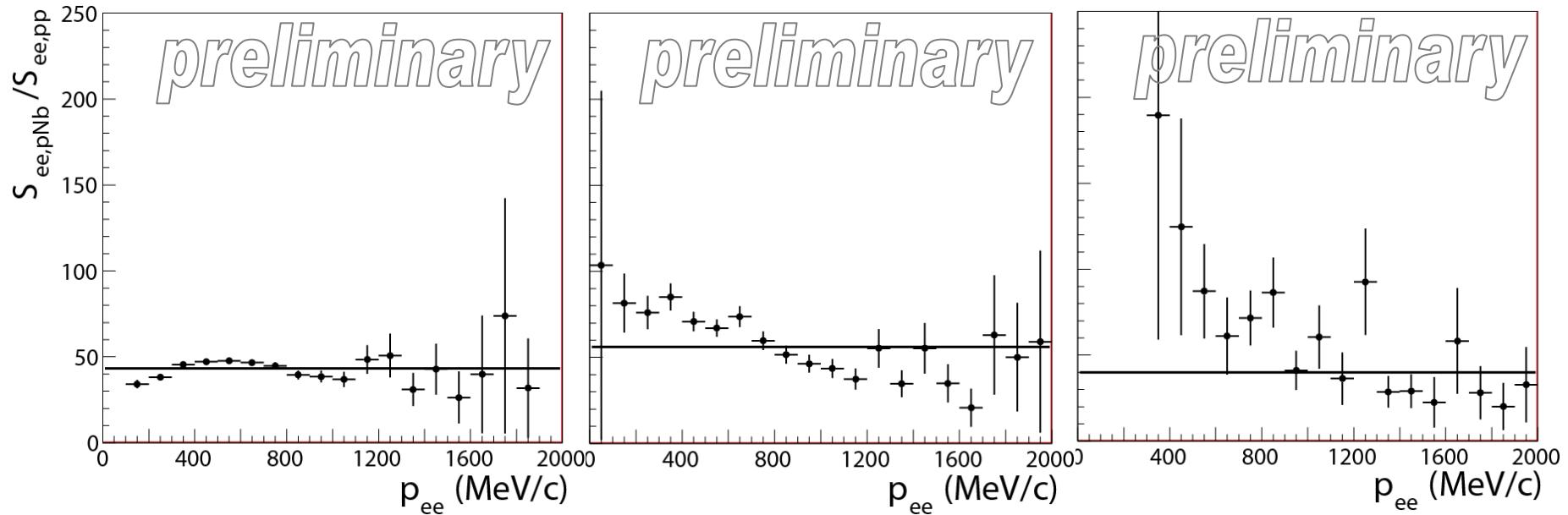
$$R_{pA} = \frac{(d\sigma/dM)_{pA}}{(d\sigma/dM)_{pp}} = A^\alpha$$

- Expectation:

- Surface production:  $\alpha = 2/3$
- Glauber scaling for  $\pi$ :  $\alpha \sim 0.8$

W.Cassing et al., PLB 238 (1990) 25





$\pi^0$ :

- ratio = 43
- $\alpha = 0.83$

$\eta$ :

- ratio = 56
- $\alpha = 0.89$

$\omega/\rho$ :

- ratio = 40
- $\alpha = 0.81$

## Findings:

- $\pi^0$  region : no  $p$  dependence, scaling with Glauber model
- $M_{ee} > 150 \text{ MeV}/c^2$  :  $p$  dependence
- $M_{ee} > 150 \text{ MeV}/c^2$  : production / absorption different for  $\omega$  and  $\eta$

- $e^+e^-$  - pair production in ground state nuclei
- clear  $\omega$  signal observed  $(\sigma_\omega/M_\omega \sim 2\%)$
- significant  $e^+e^-$  - yield with low pair momenta ( $p < 800$  MeV/c)
- A dependence I :  
 $\alpha_{\pi^0} \sim 0.83$ ,  $\alpha_\eta \sim 0.89$  and  $\alpha_{\omega/\rho} \sim 0.81$
- A dependence II :  
 $\alpha_\eta$  and  $\alpha_{\omega/\rho}$  decrease with momentum

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## Perspectives

- Comparison to transport models
- $p$  - dependence and absorption of  $\rho/\omega$  in matter ?

$$N_{e^+e^-} \propto \Gamma_{V \rightarrow e^+e^-} \cdot \tau_V = \Gamma_{V \rightarrow e^+e^-} / \Gamma_{Tot}$$

- $\rho/\omega$  in HI reactions: lifetime of the fireball (regeneration)

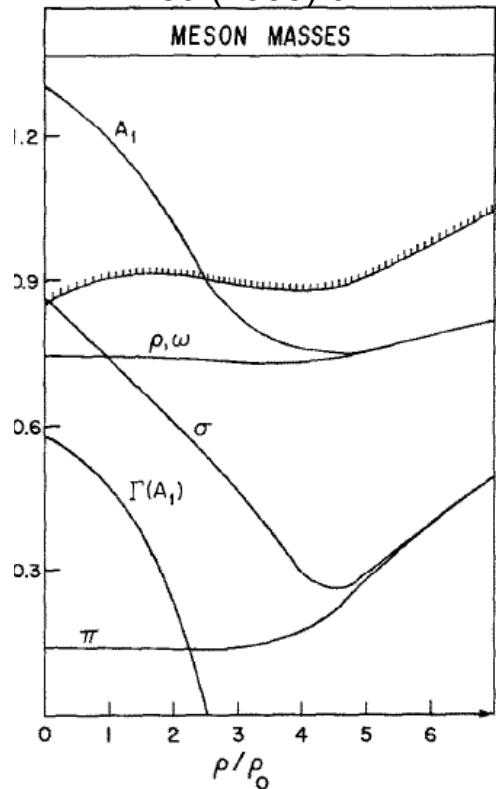
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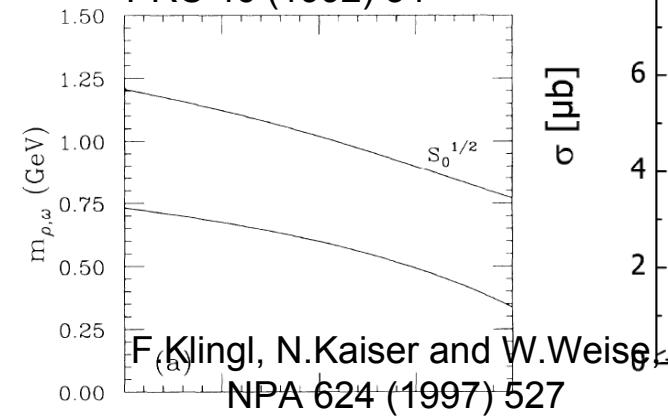
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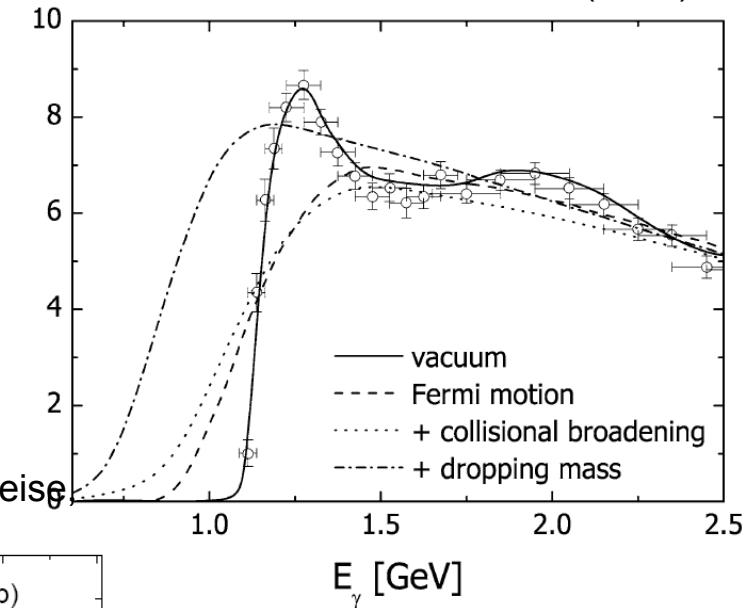
mass degeneracy  
with density

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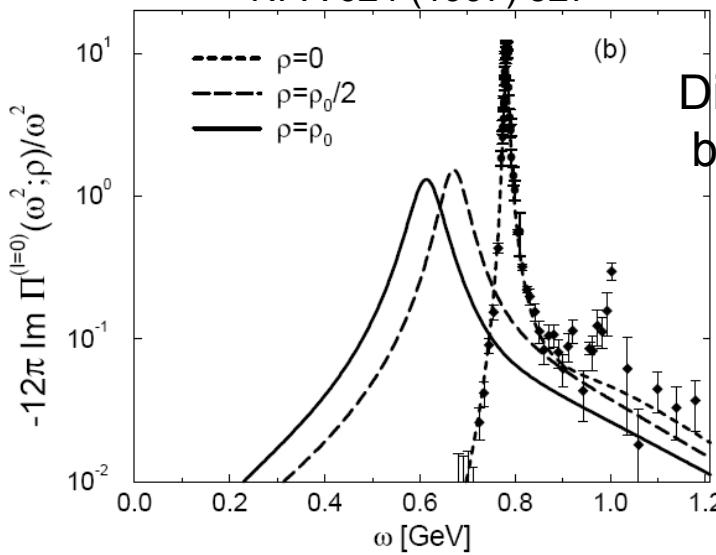


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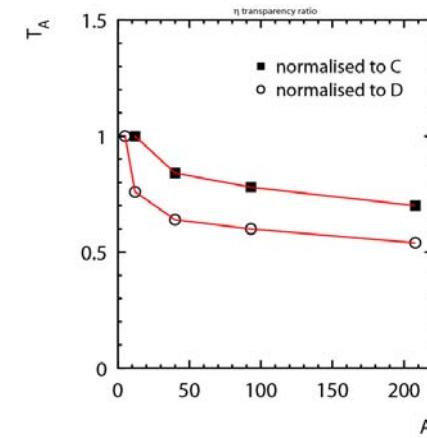
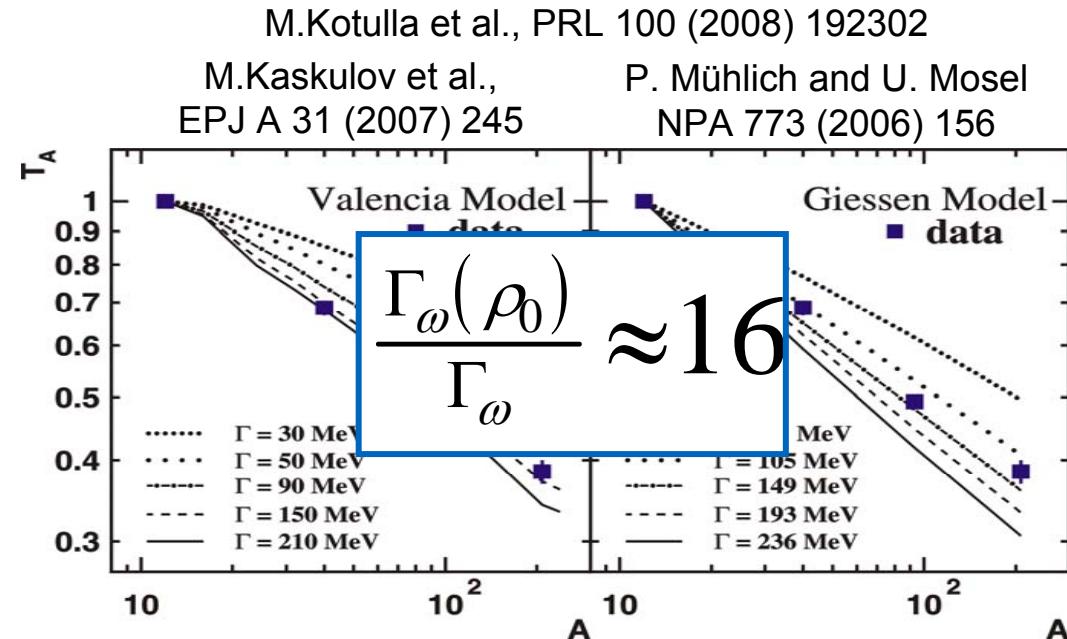
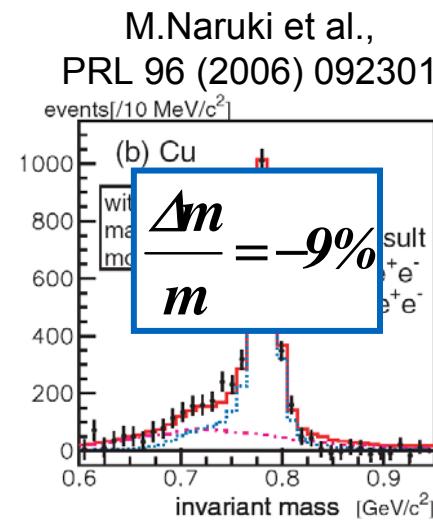
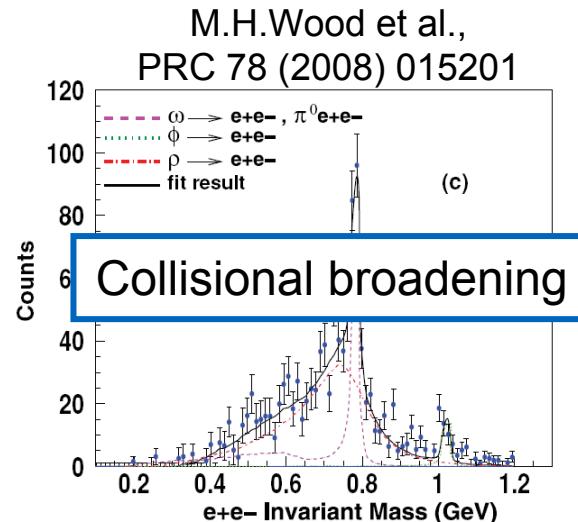
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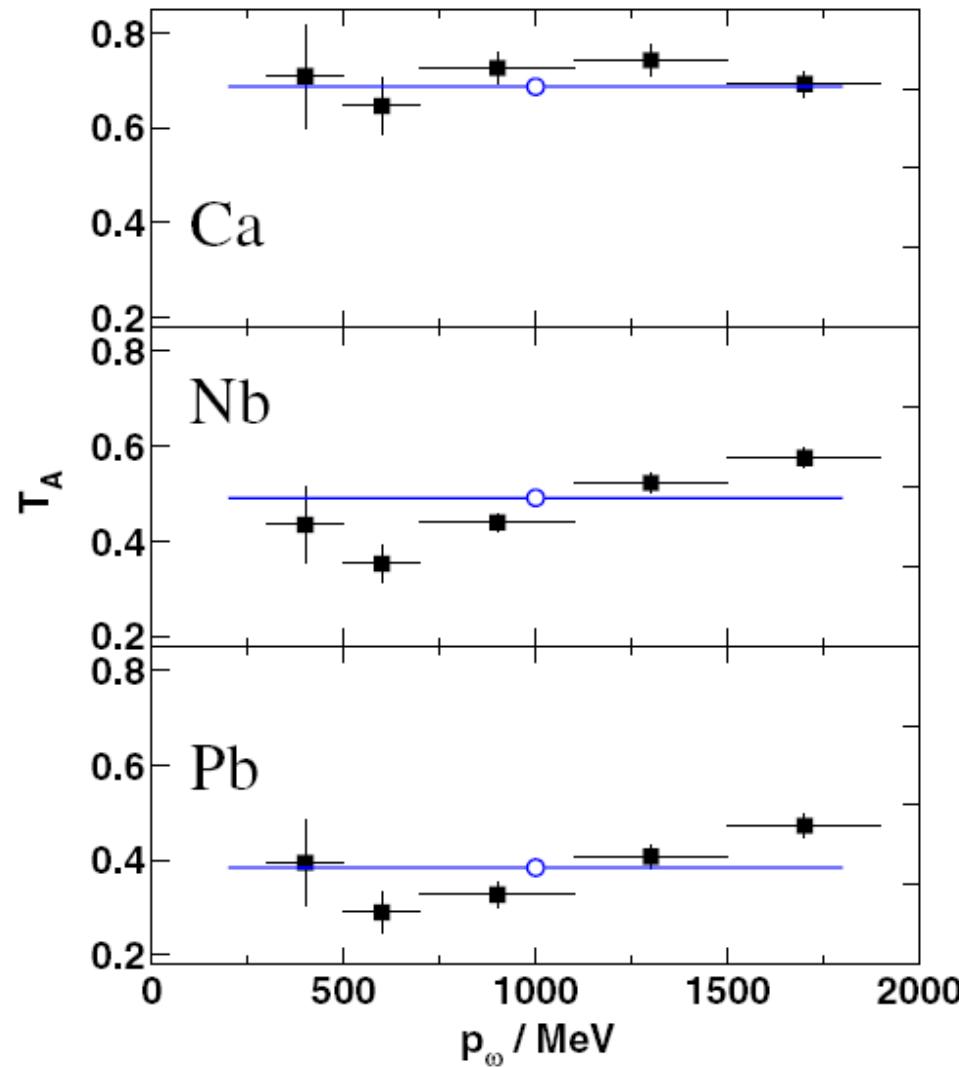


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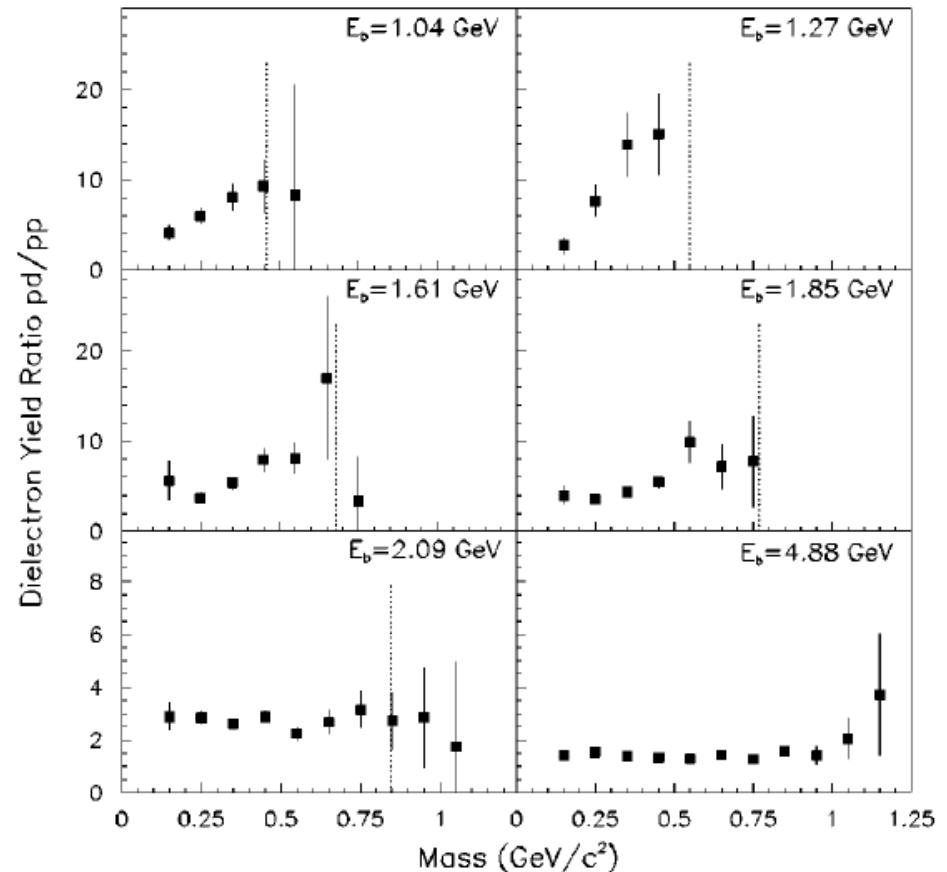


Mass shift + Broadening

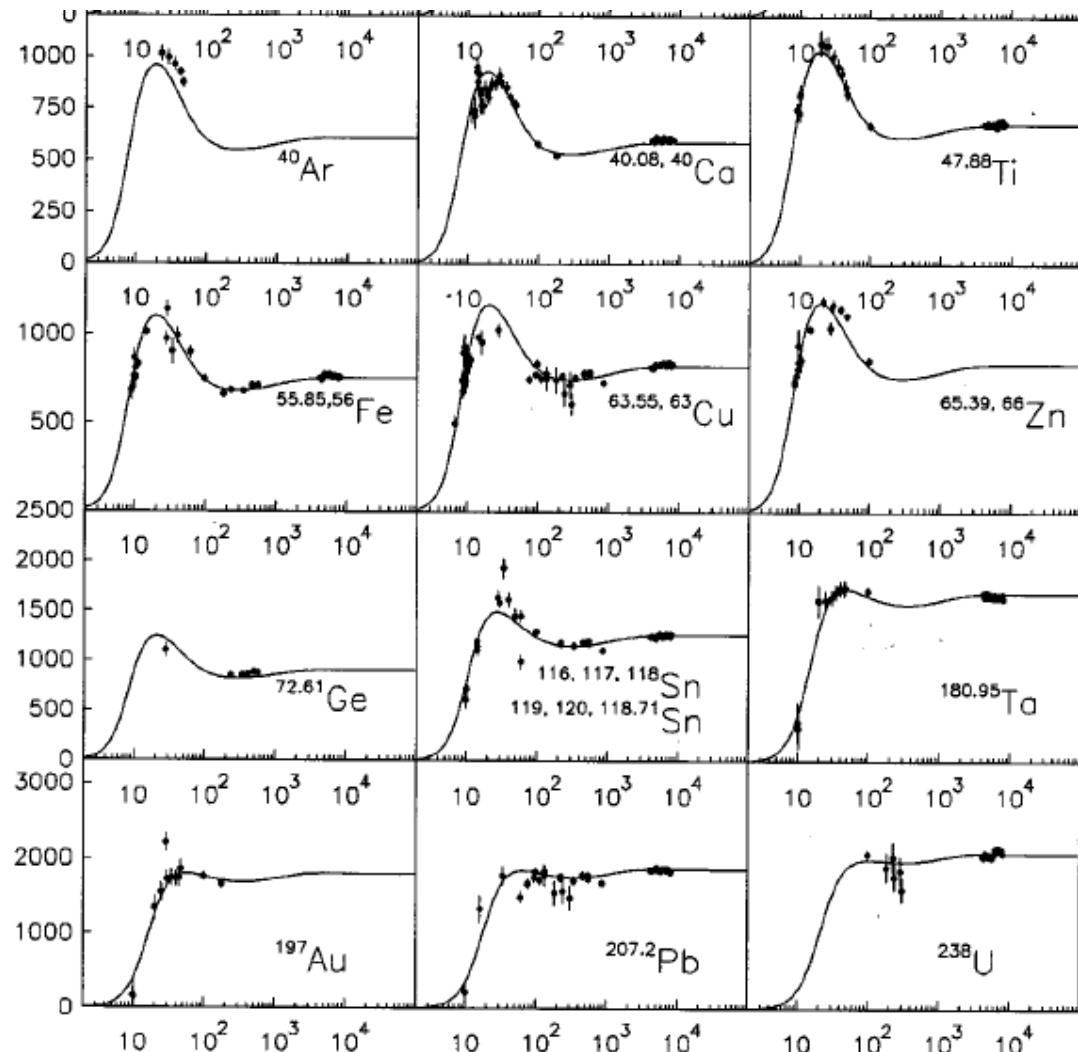


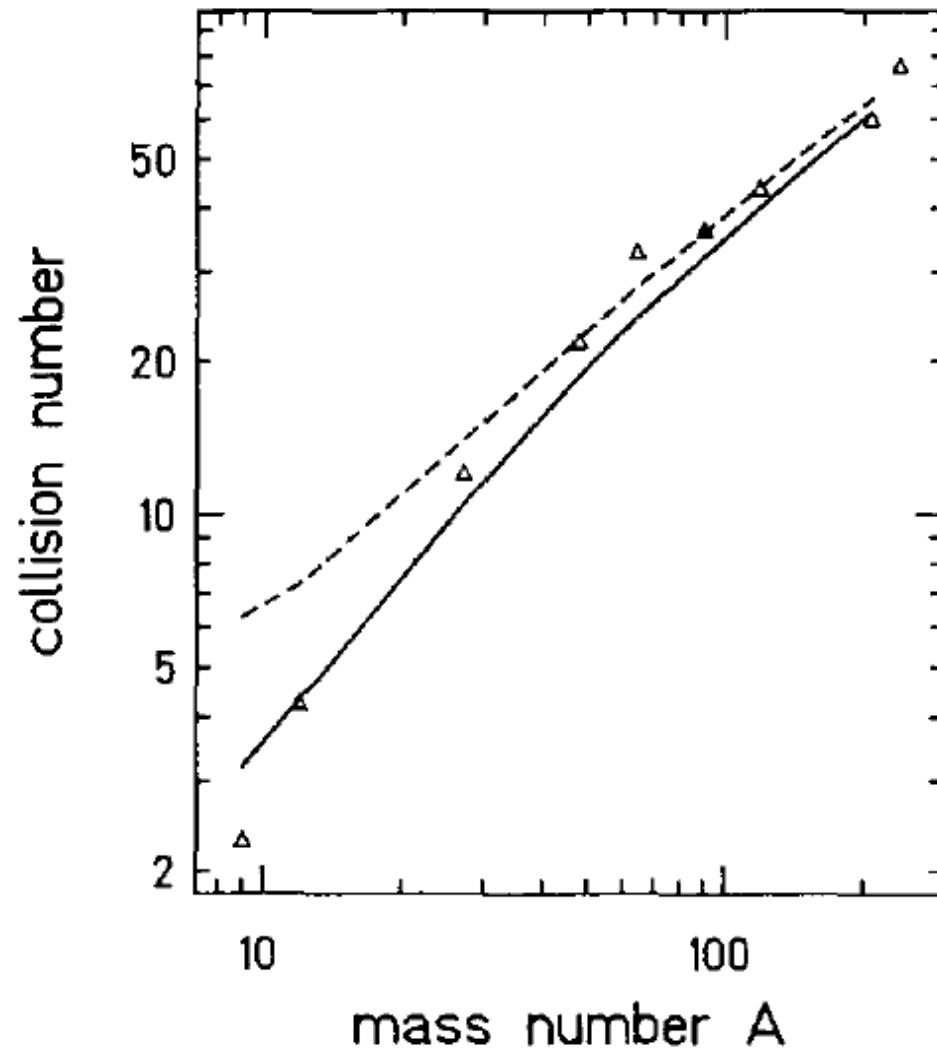


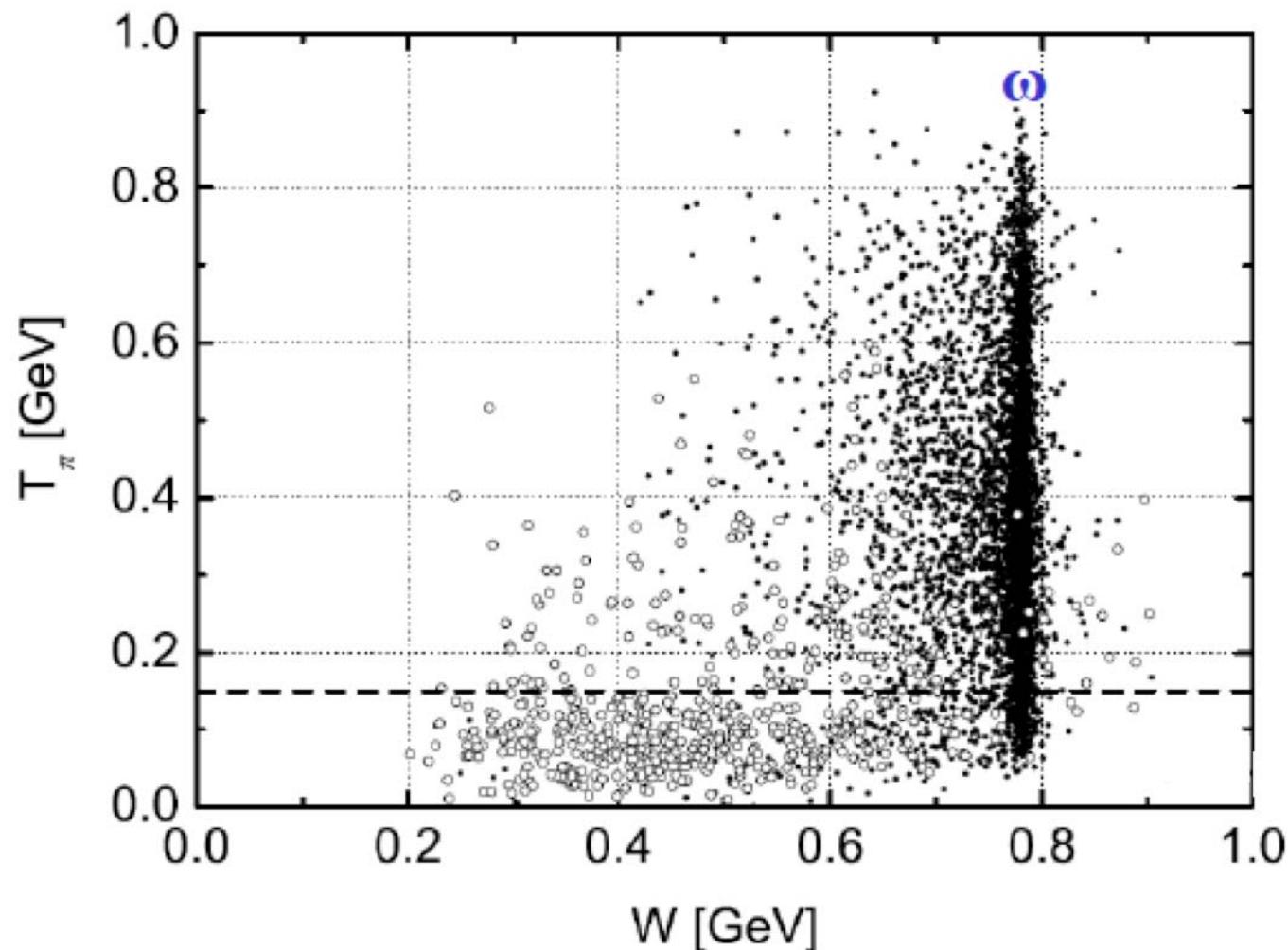
- Dielectron cross sections in p+p and p+d at beam energies from 1.04 to 4.88 GeV measured with DLS
- Decreasing mass dependence of pd/pp with increasing beam energy
- pd cross section becomes approximately twice the pp cross section at all masses with increasing beam energy

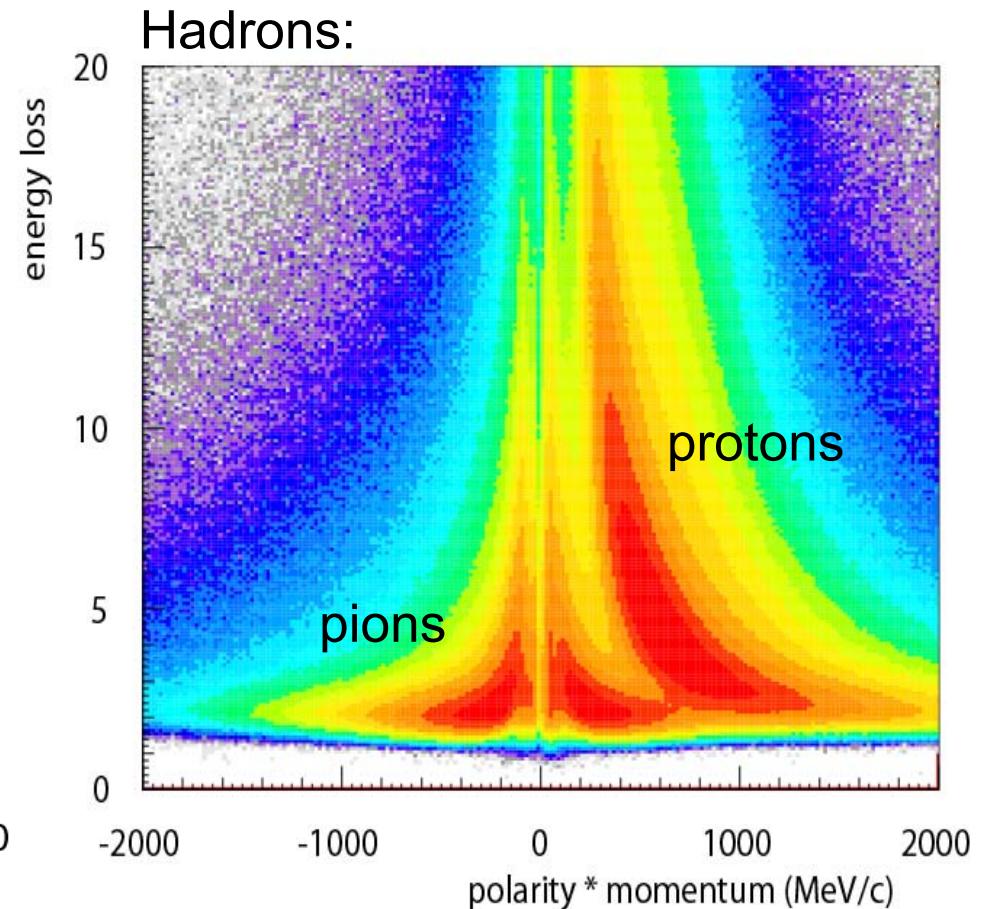
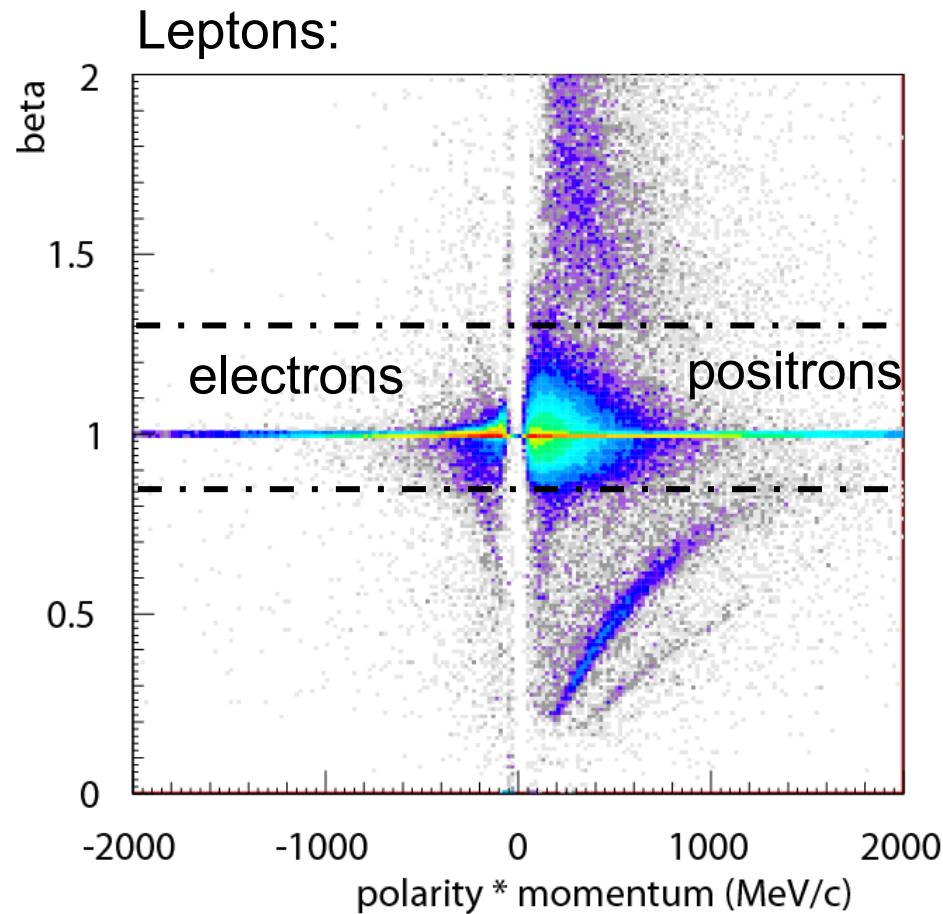


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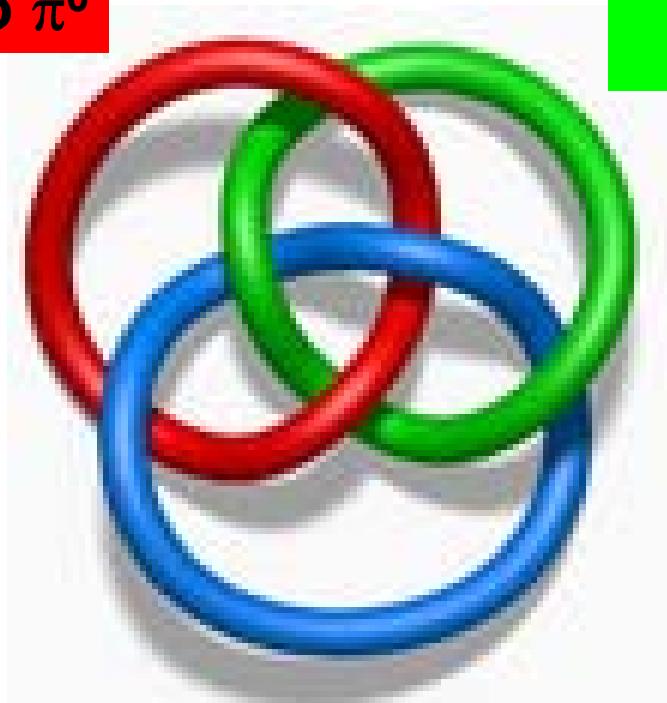




- RICH – track correlation
- Particle velocity
- energy loss

**BUT: How to get information on  $\omega$ ?**

**Normalization to  $\pi^0$**



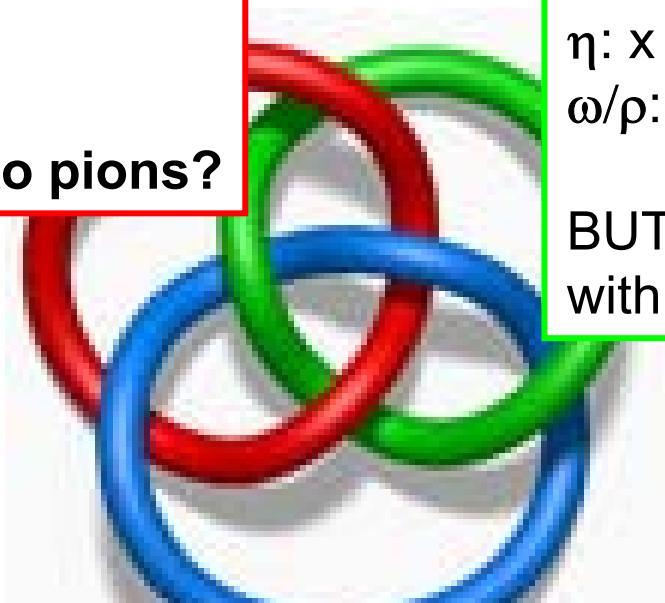
**Isospin dependence  
(production)**

**Mass dependence  
(production/absorption)**

## BUT: How to get information on $\omega$ ?

- isospin dependence ???
- mass dependence ???
- absorption

→ Do not normalize to pions?



**production:  $\sim A^{2/3}$**   
**OR**  
**assume production  $\sim A$**   
 → absorption

pn/pn production at threshold:

$\eta: \times 6.5$  ( $Q_{\text{HADES}} = 750$  MeV)

$\omega/\rho: \times 2$  ( $Q_{\text{HADES}} = 520$  MeV)

BUT: decreasing difference  
with increasing energy

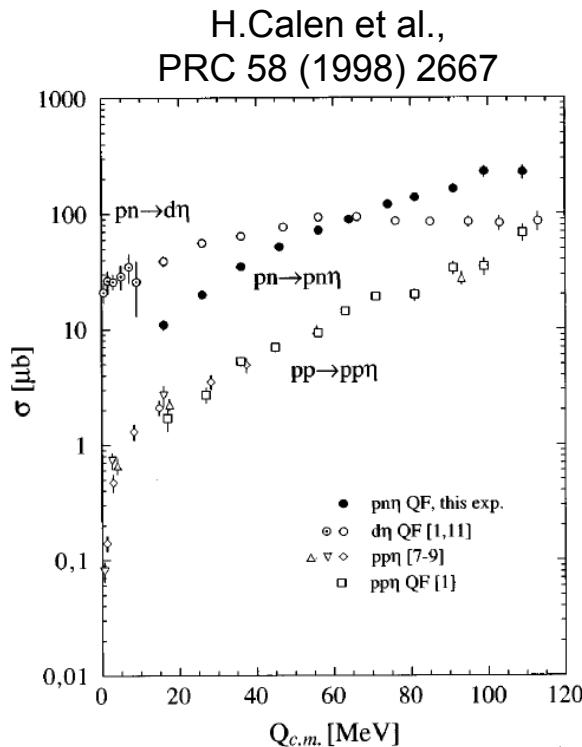
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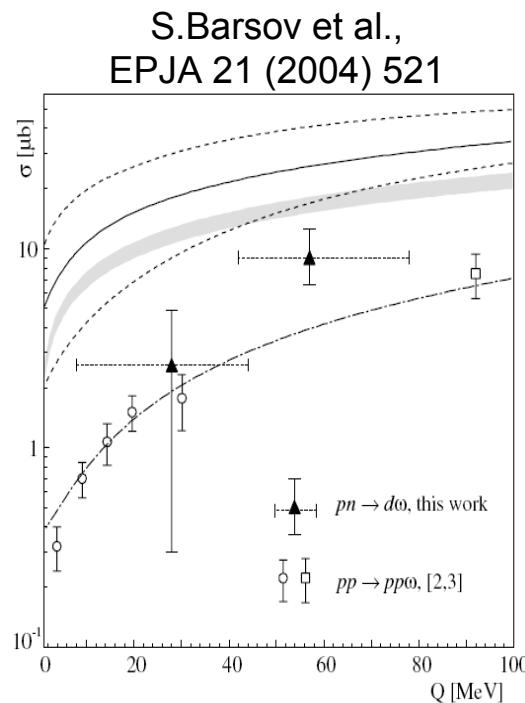
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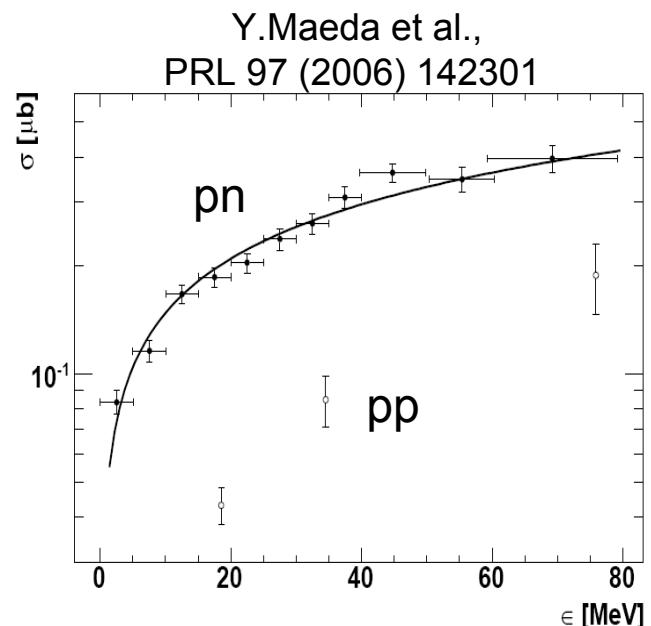
M.Kotulla et al.,  
PRL 100 (2008) 192302



$\eta$ :  $\times 6.5$



$\omega$ :  $\times 2$



$\Phi$ :  $\times 2$

Excess of meson production in pn over pp  
 expected close to threshold (factor 2) and smaller at higher energies  
 → See more omegas and phis in pA than pp

- Phi :  $A^{0.937}$
- Omega:  
 $A^{0.710}$

