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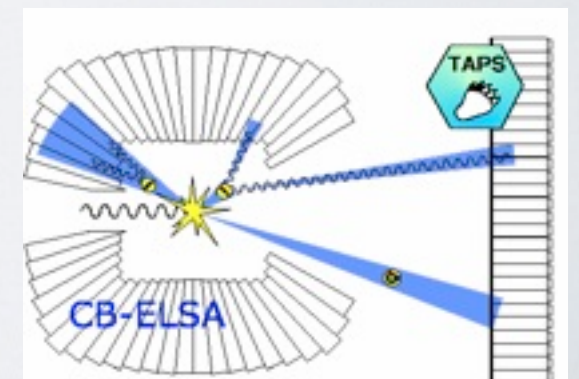
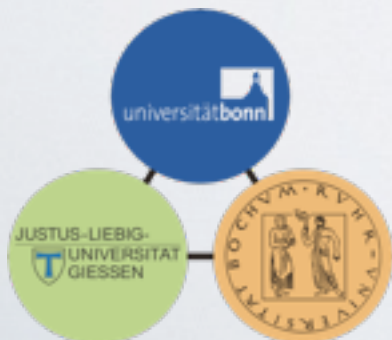
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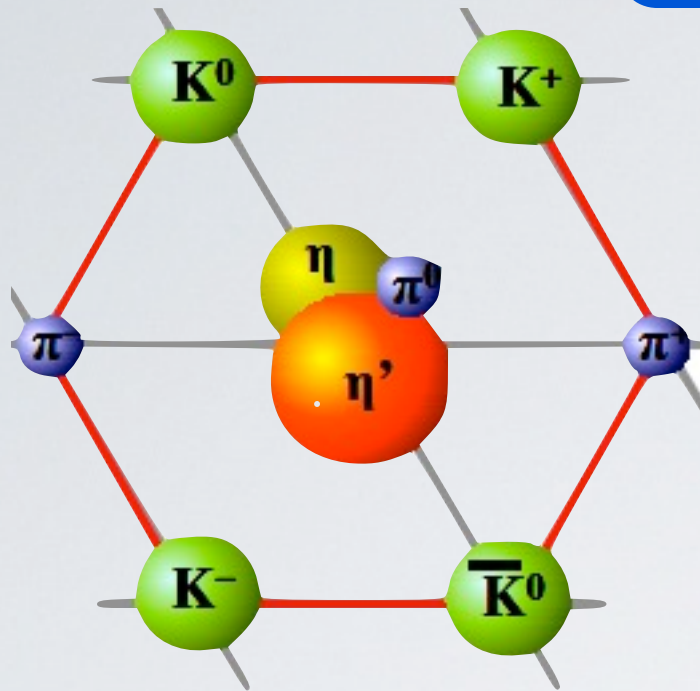
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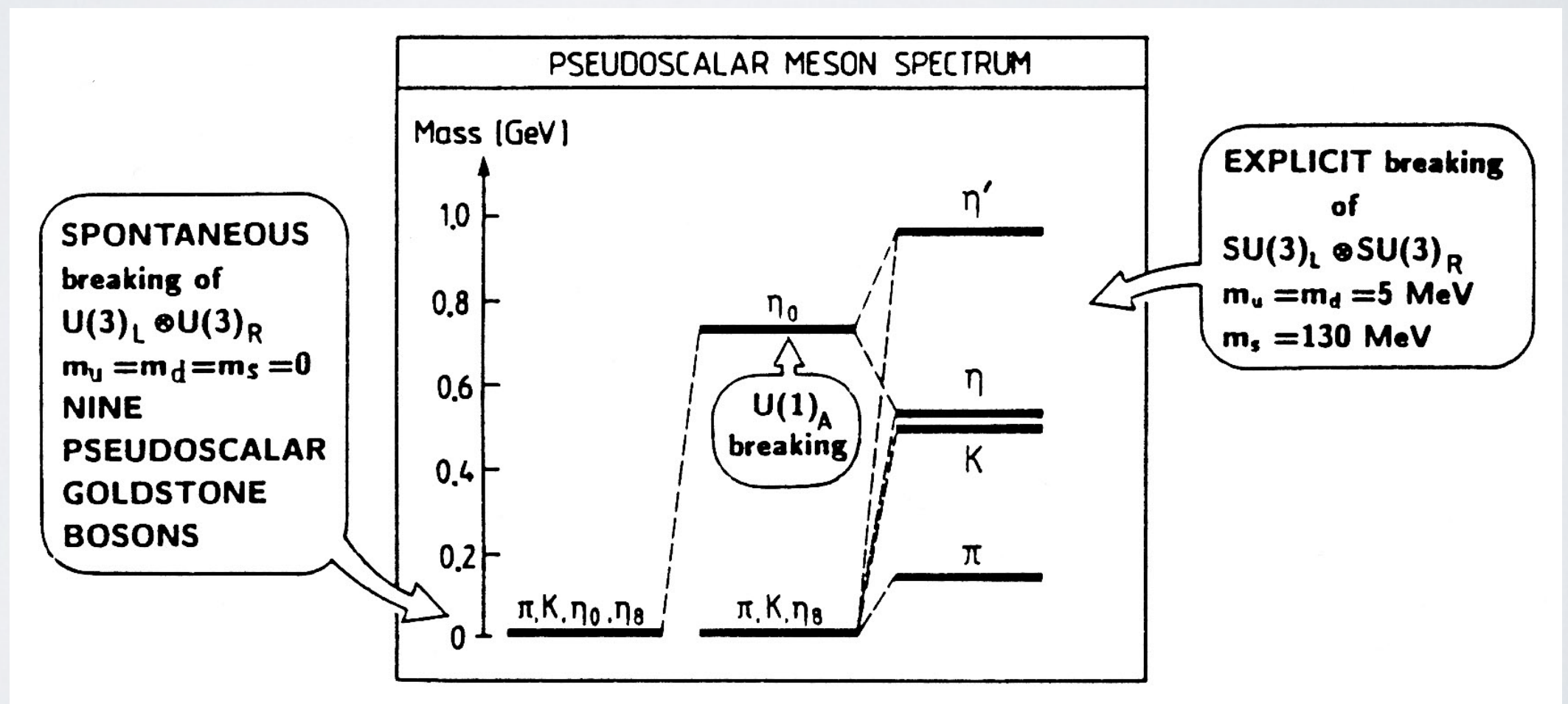


motivation



S. Klimt et al., Nucl. Phys. A516 (1990) 429

The NJL Model

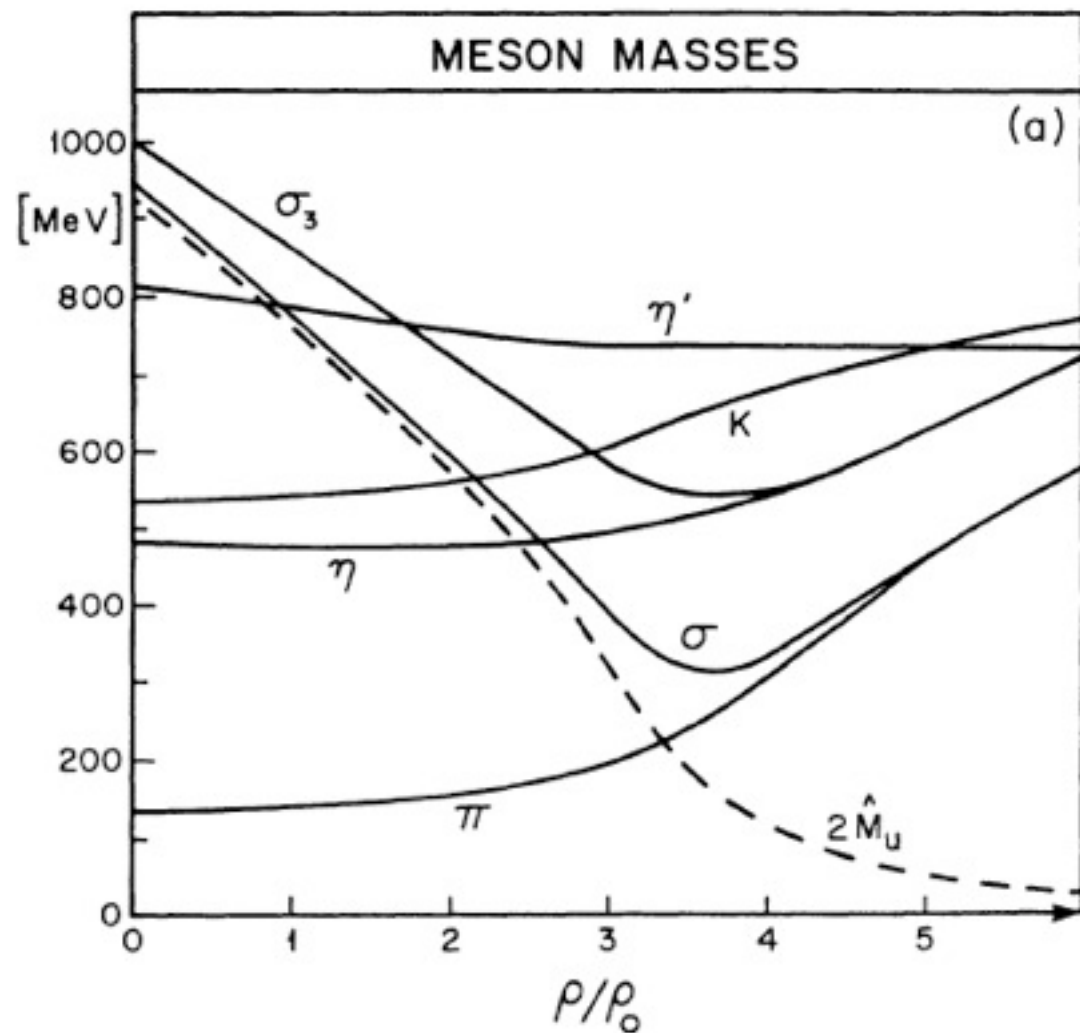


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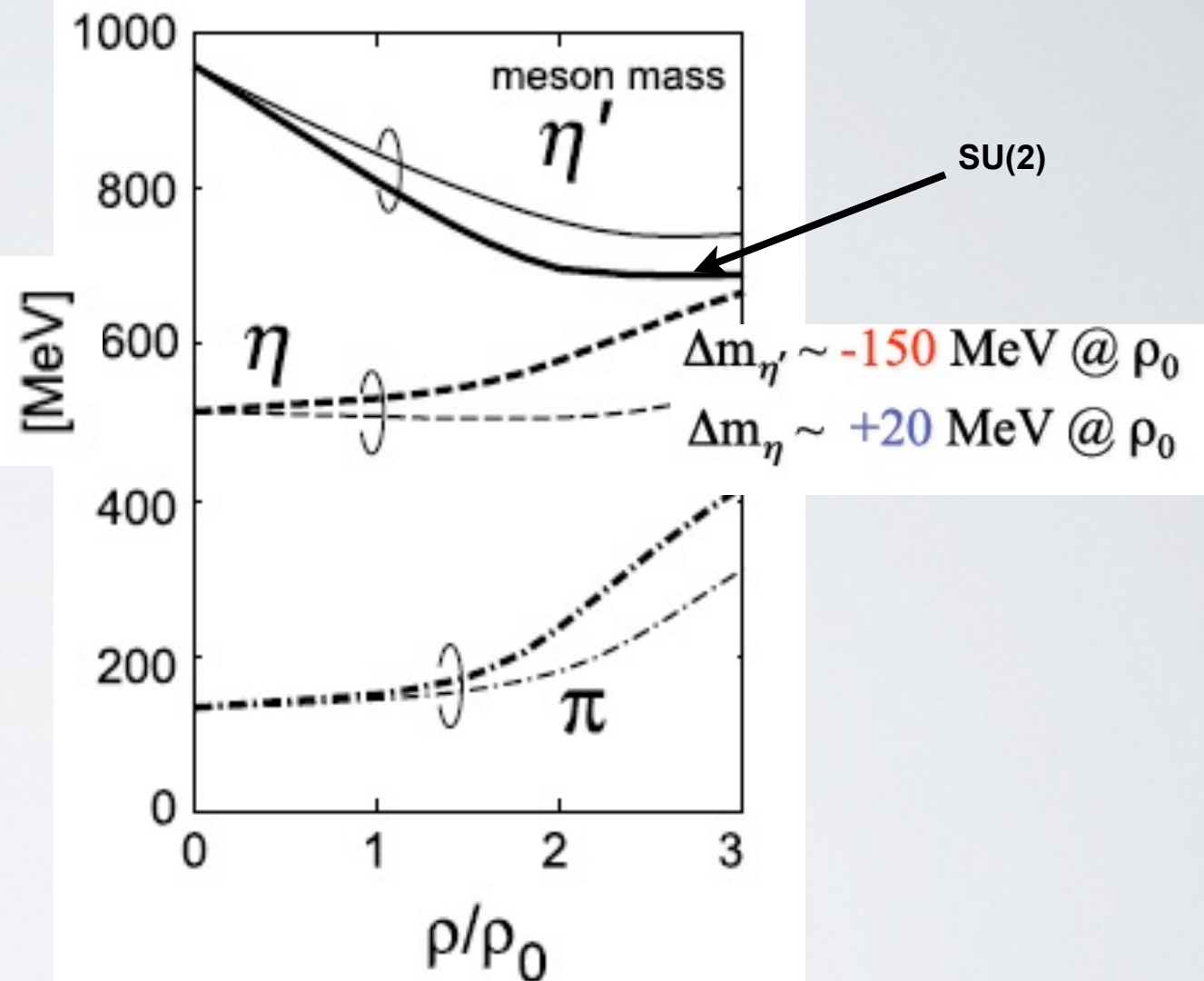
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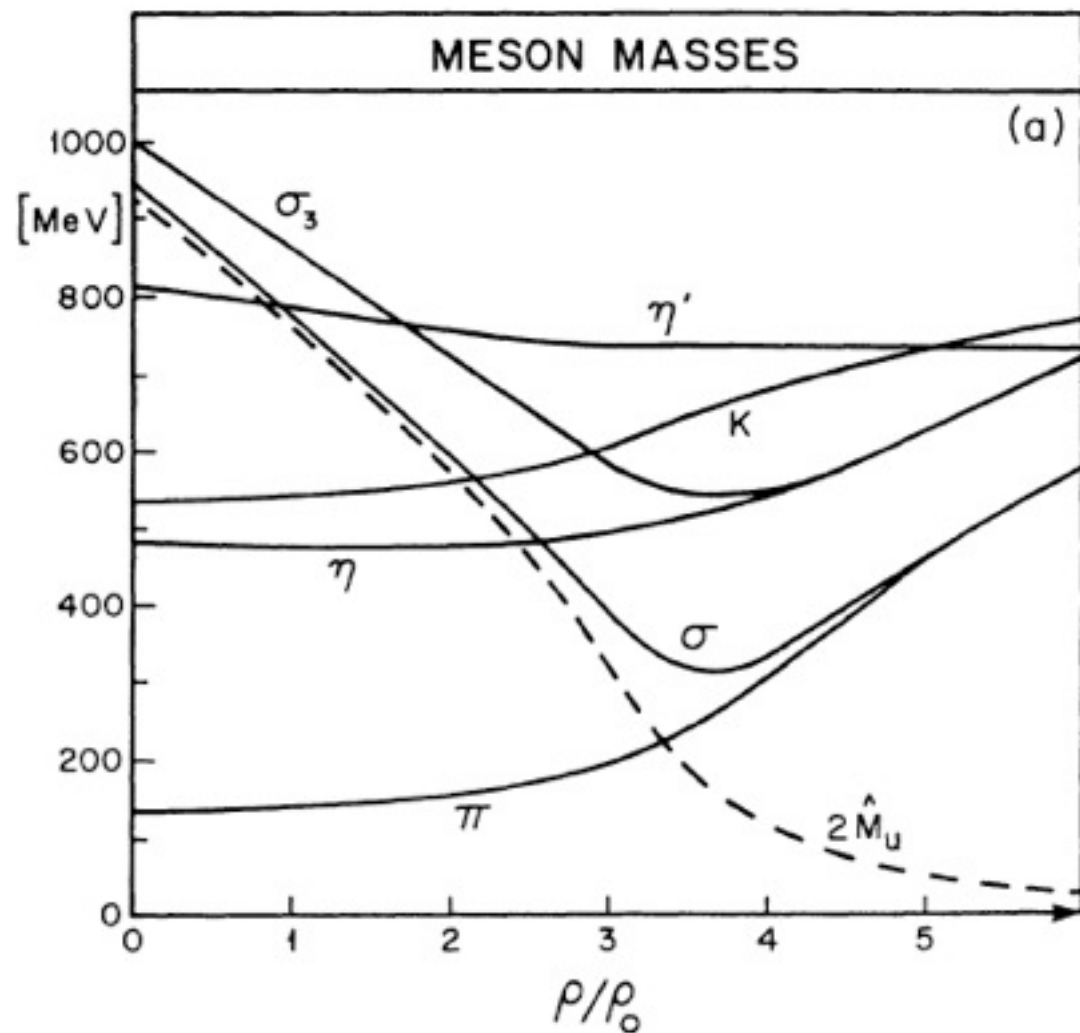


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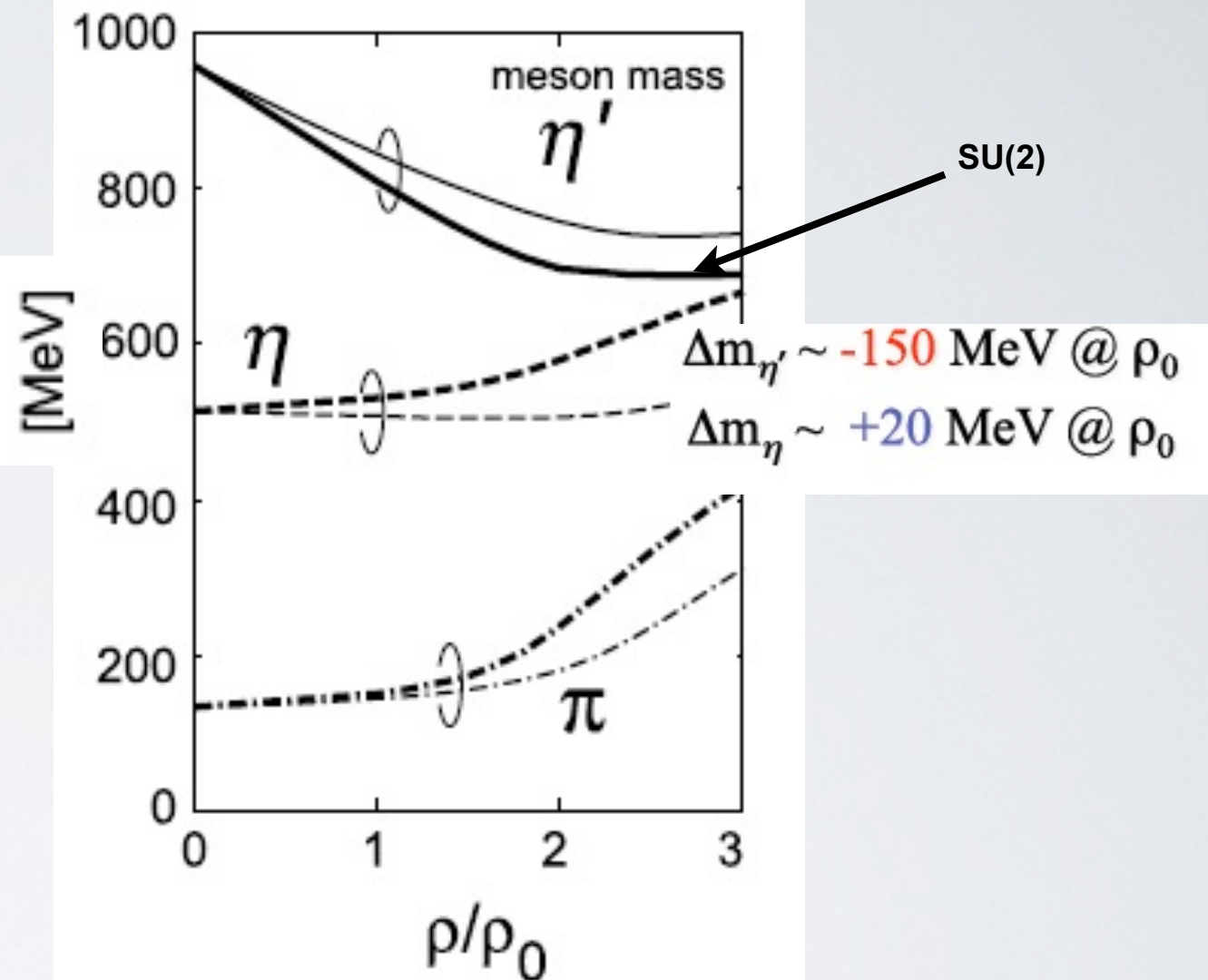
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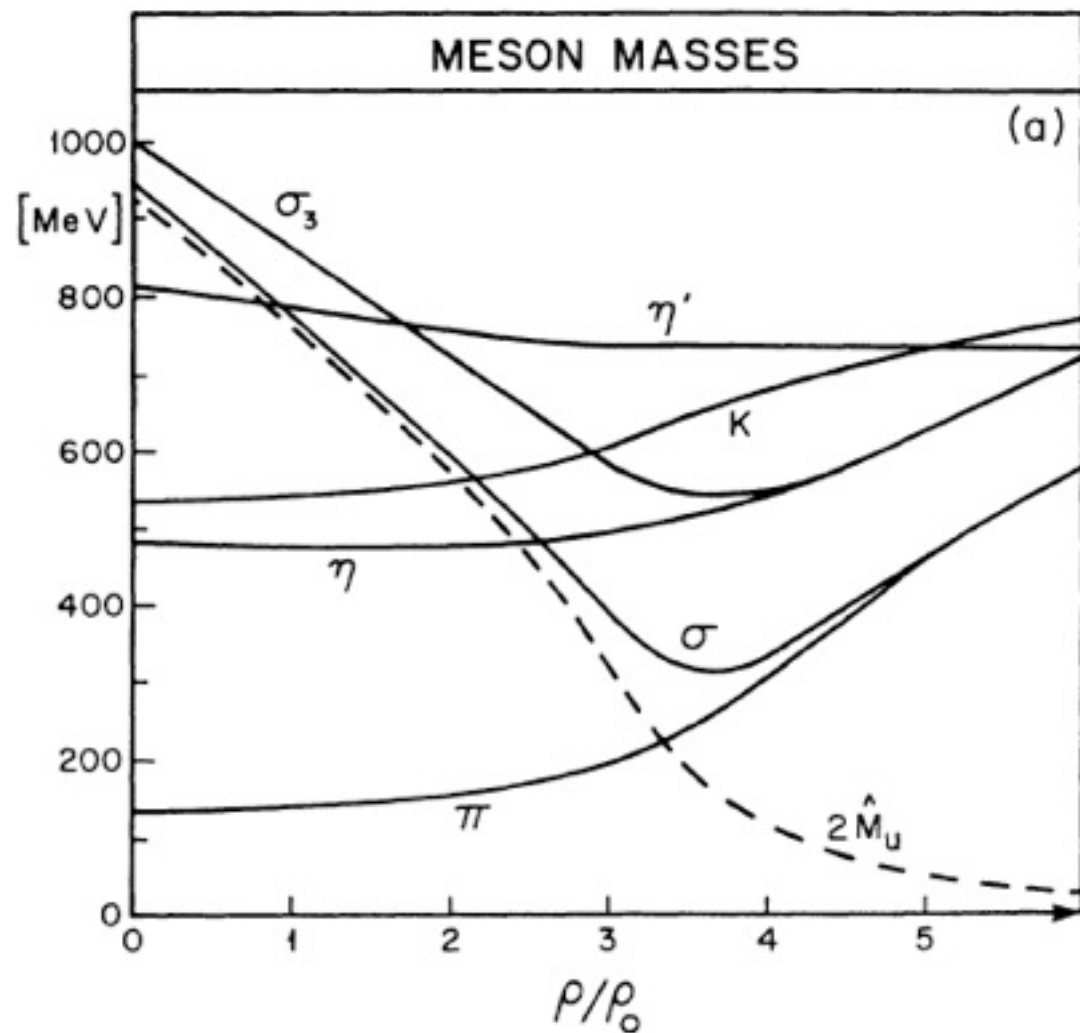


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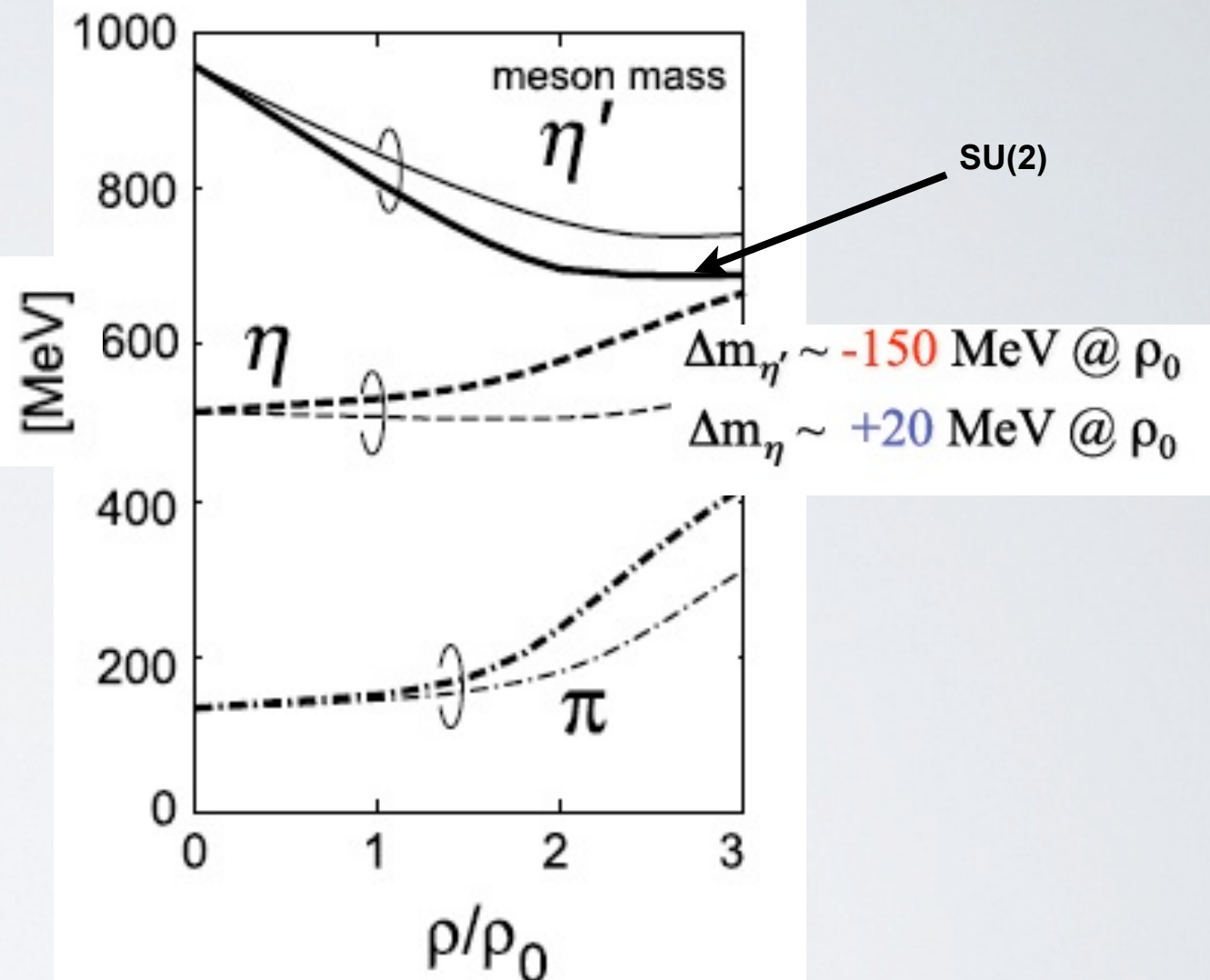
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indirect evidence for reduction of η' mass
in the hot medium (PHENIX & STAR data)

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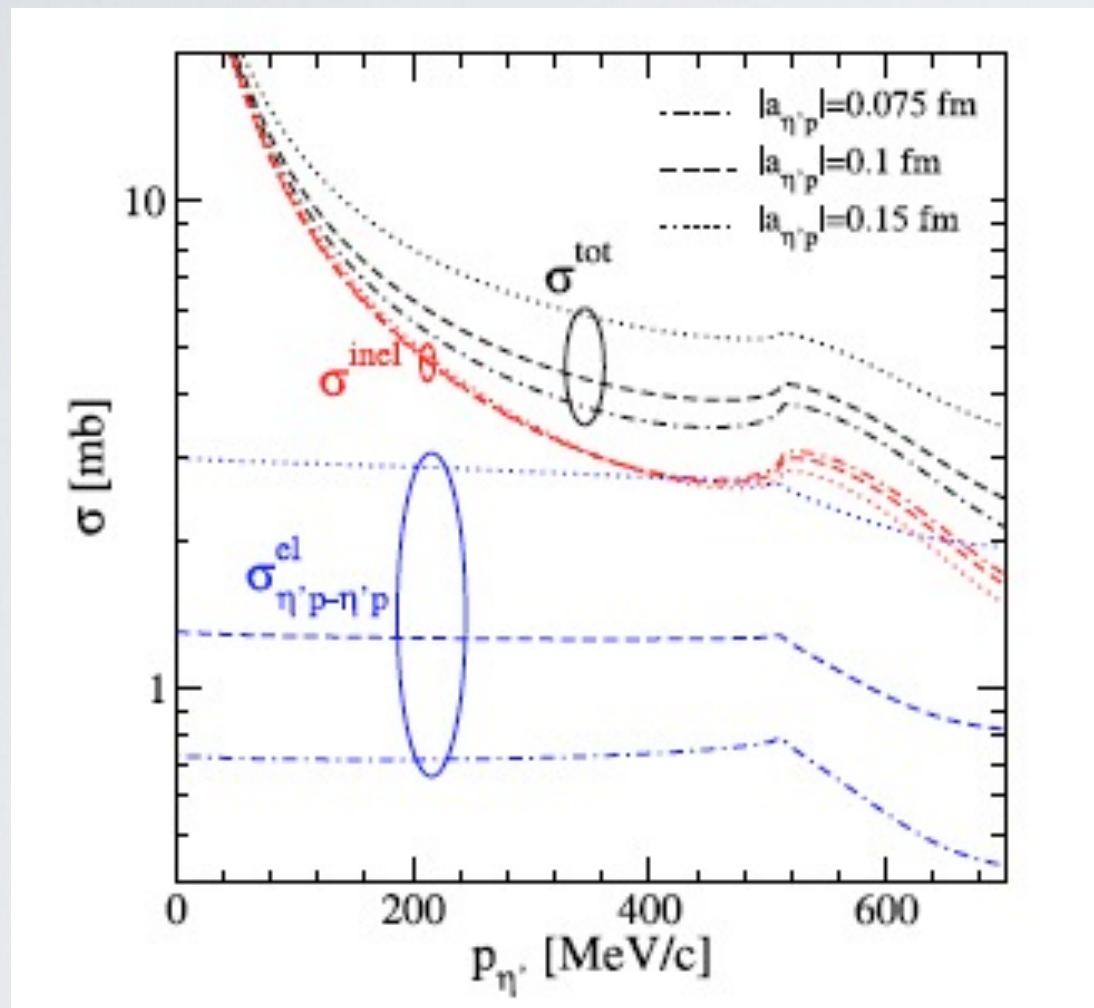
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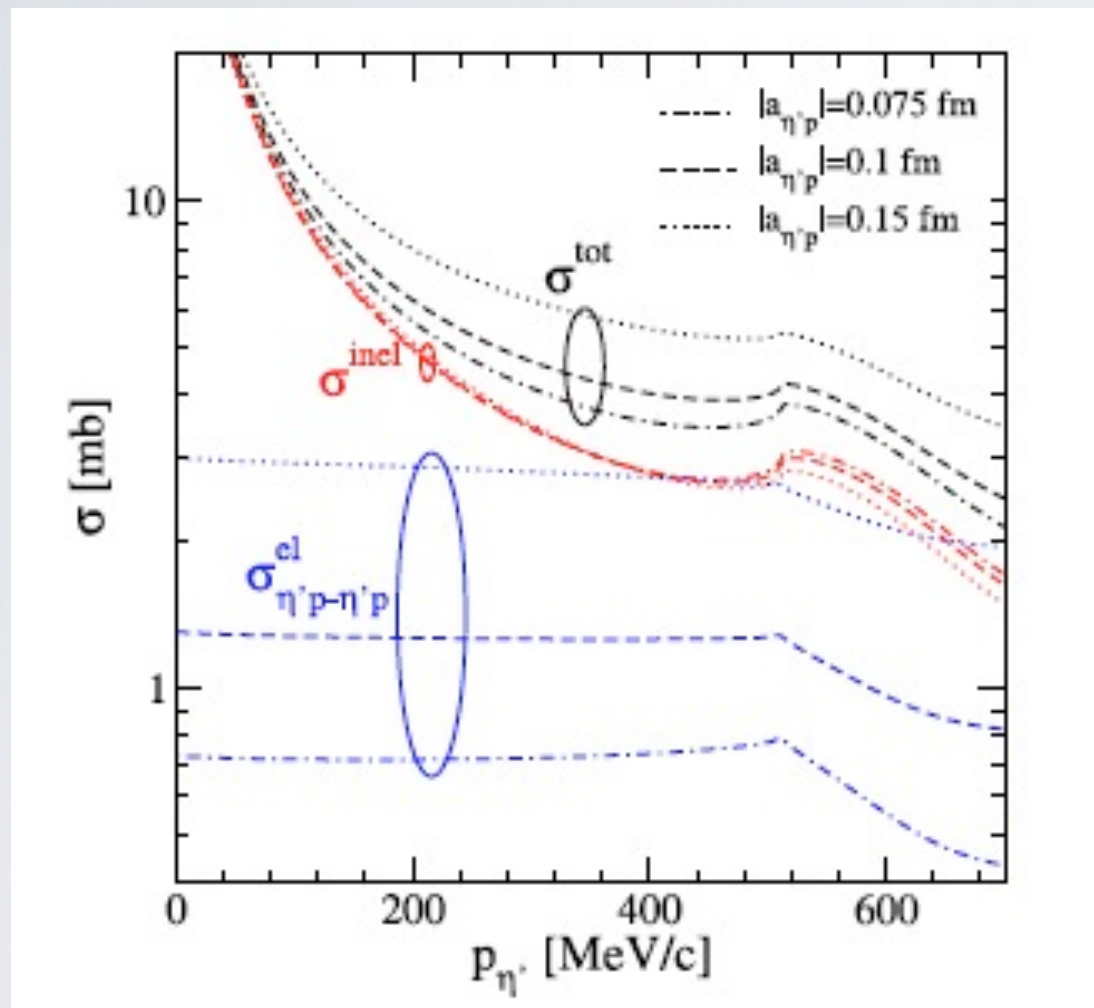


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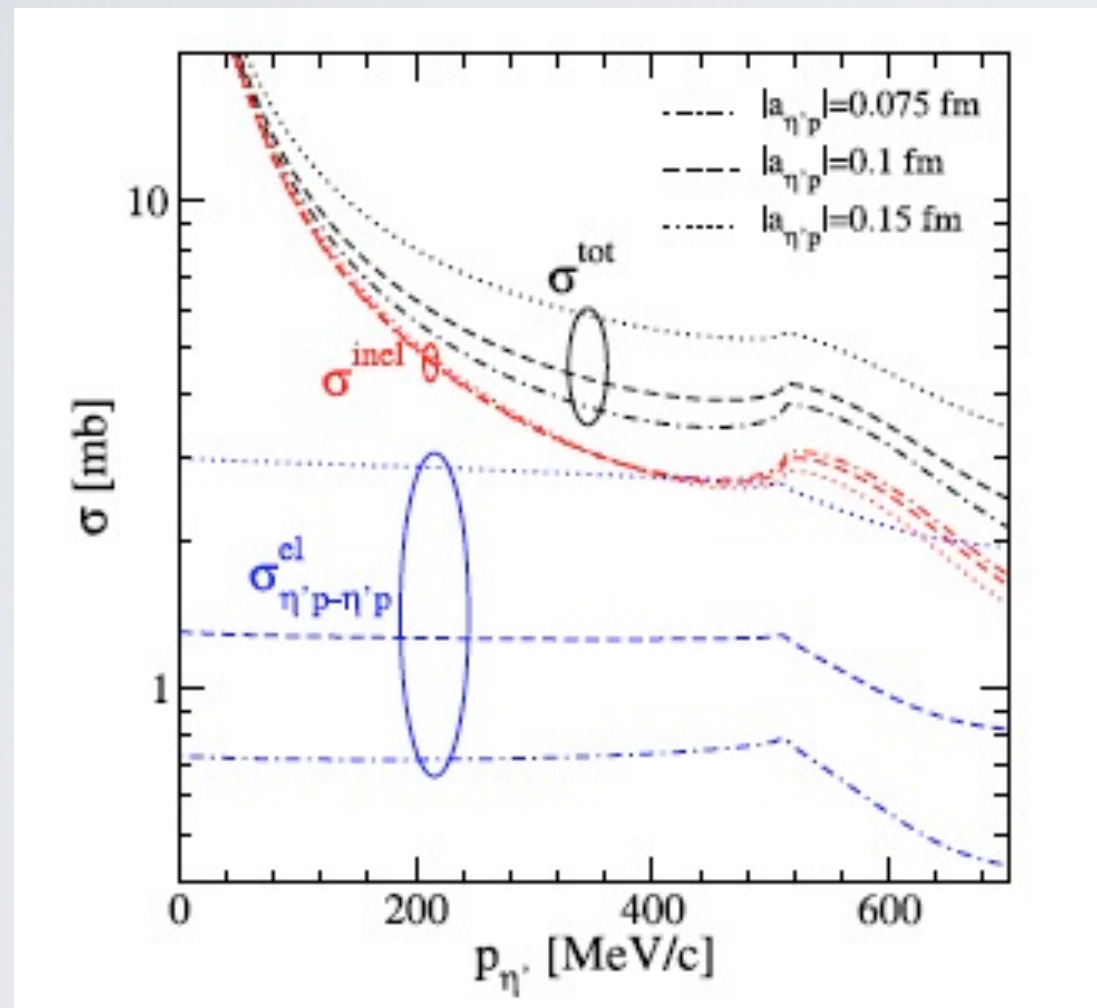


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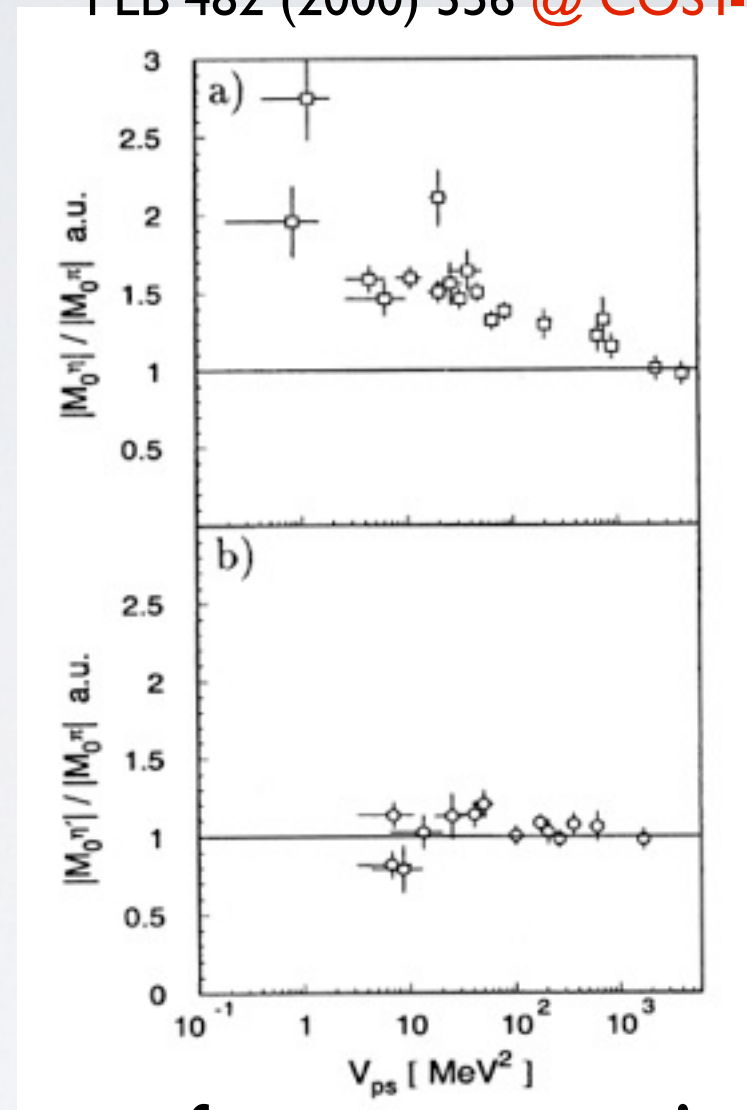
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P. Moskal et al., PLB 474 (2000) 416,
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from $pp \rightarrow pp\eta'$
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to minimize FSI effects

$\Rightarrow |a_{\eta'N}| \sim 0.1 \text{ fm}$

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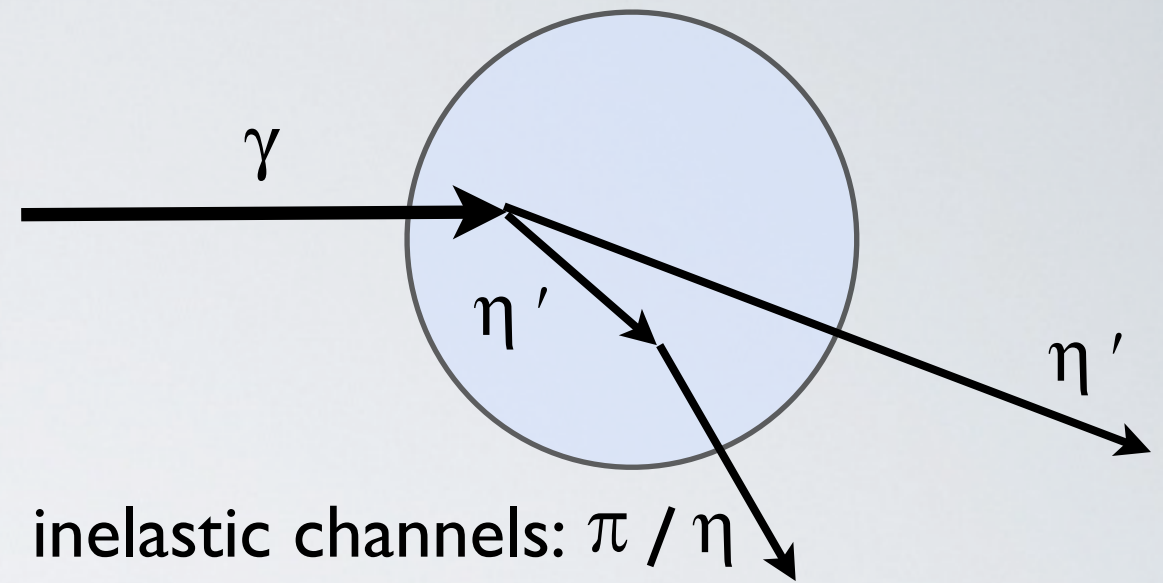
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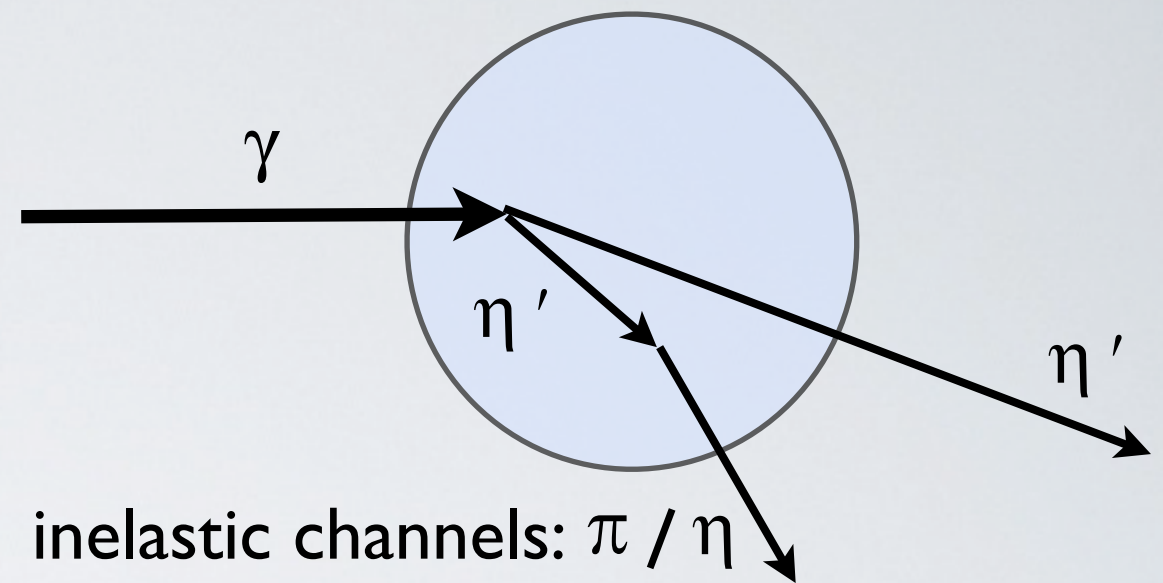
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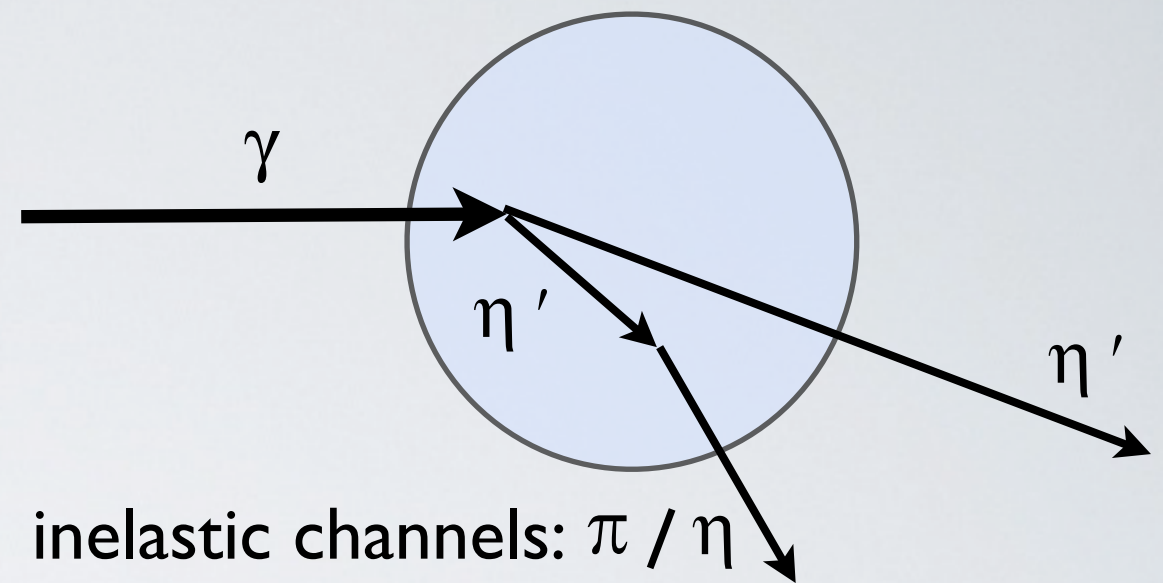
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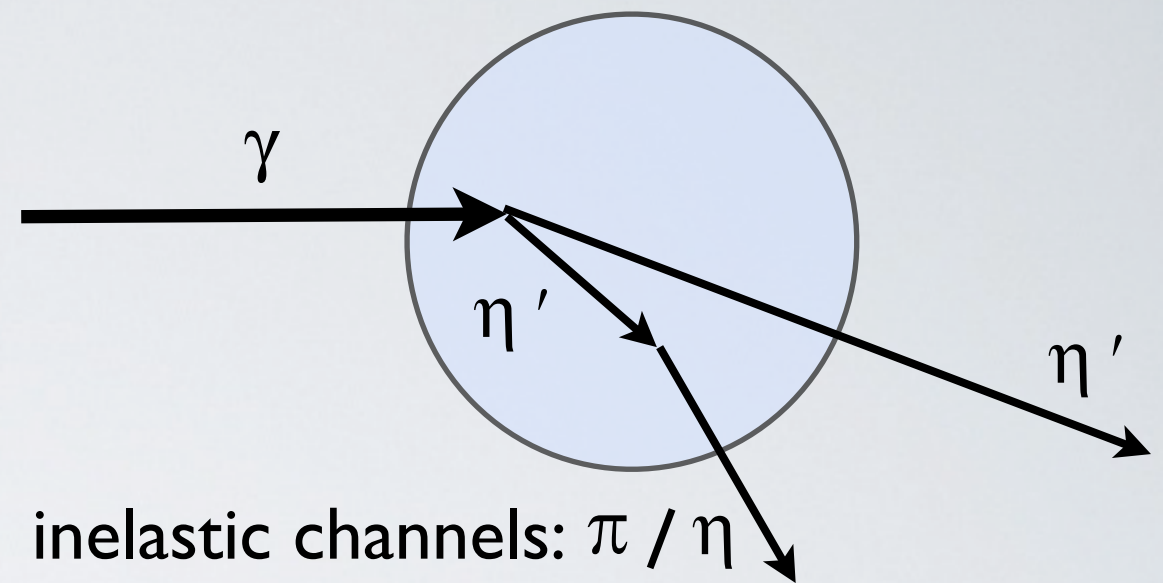
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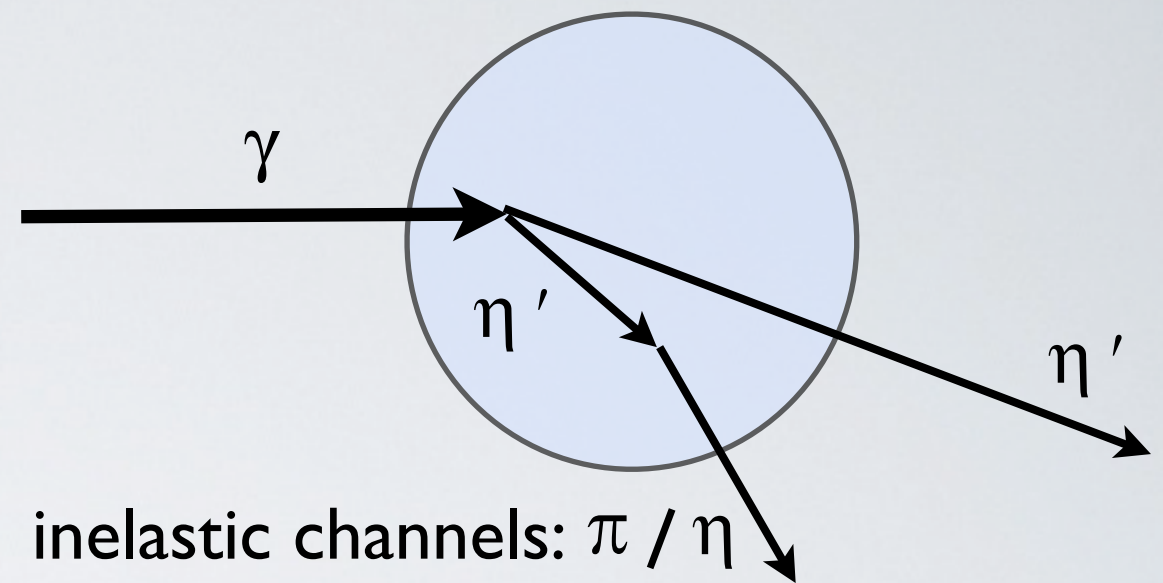
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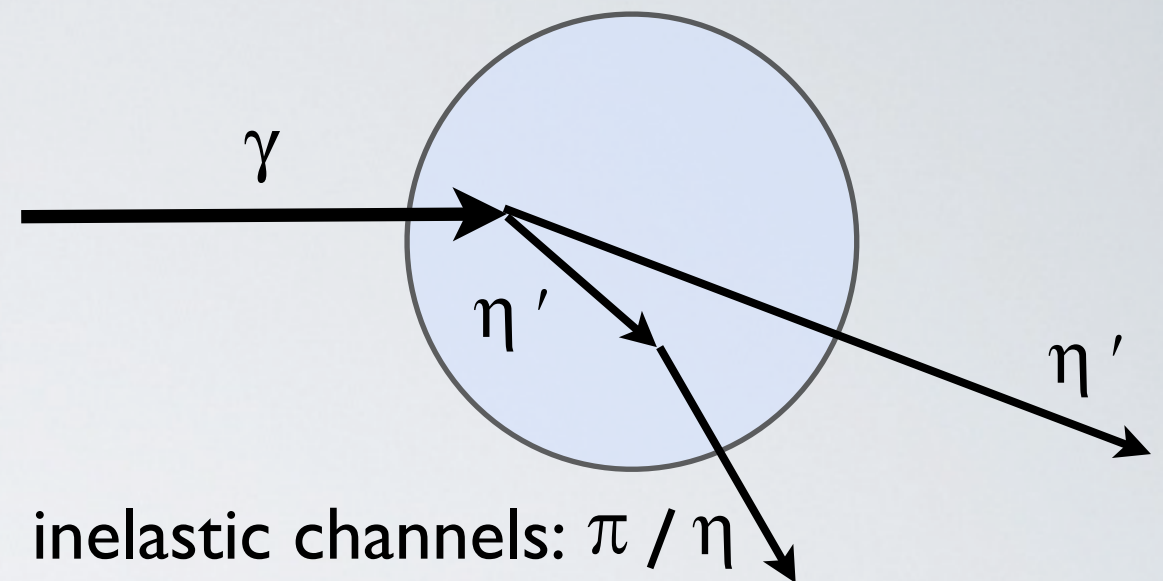
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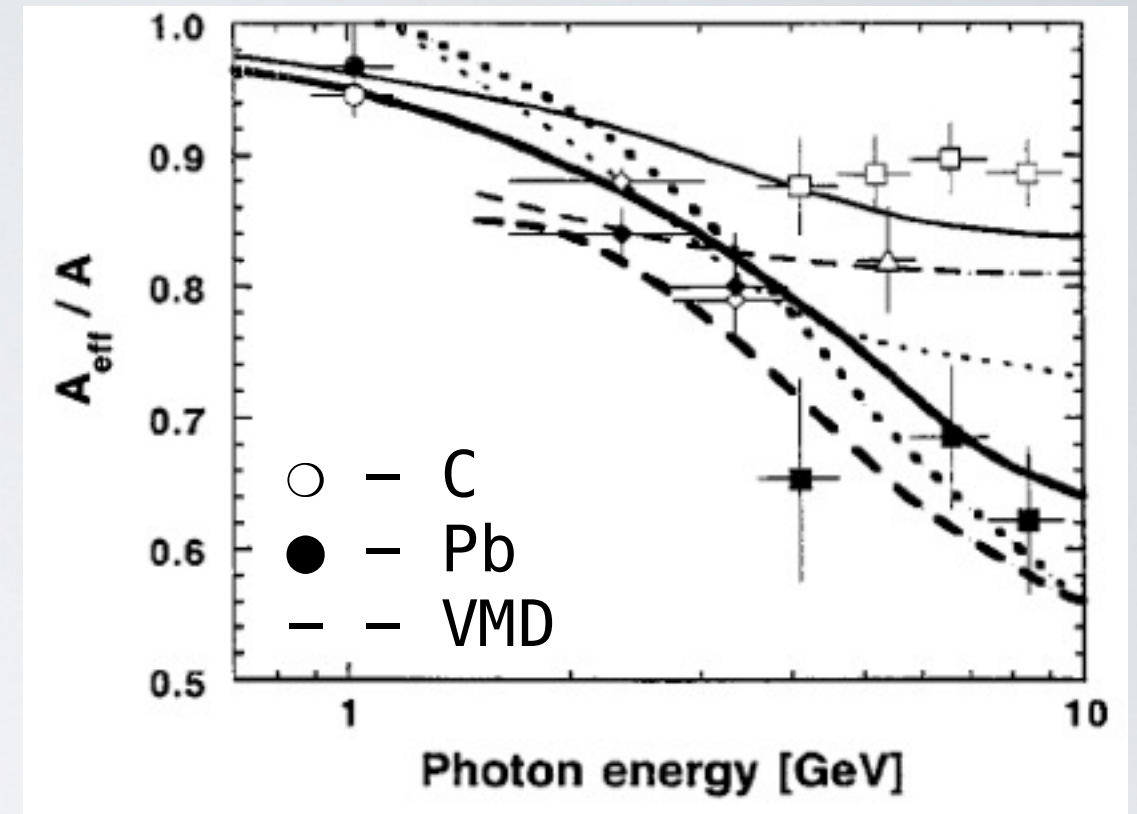
information on in-medium properties of mesons from measurement of their decay outside of the nucleus

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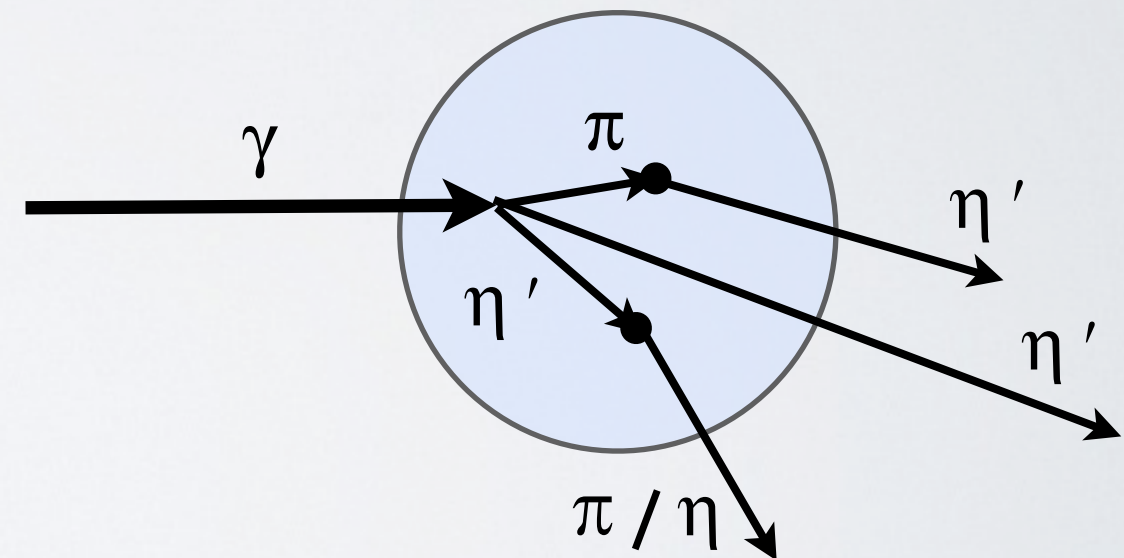
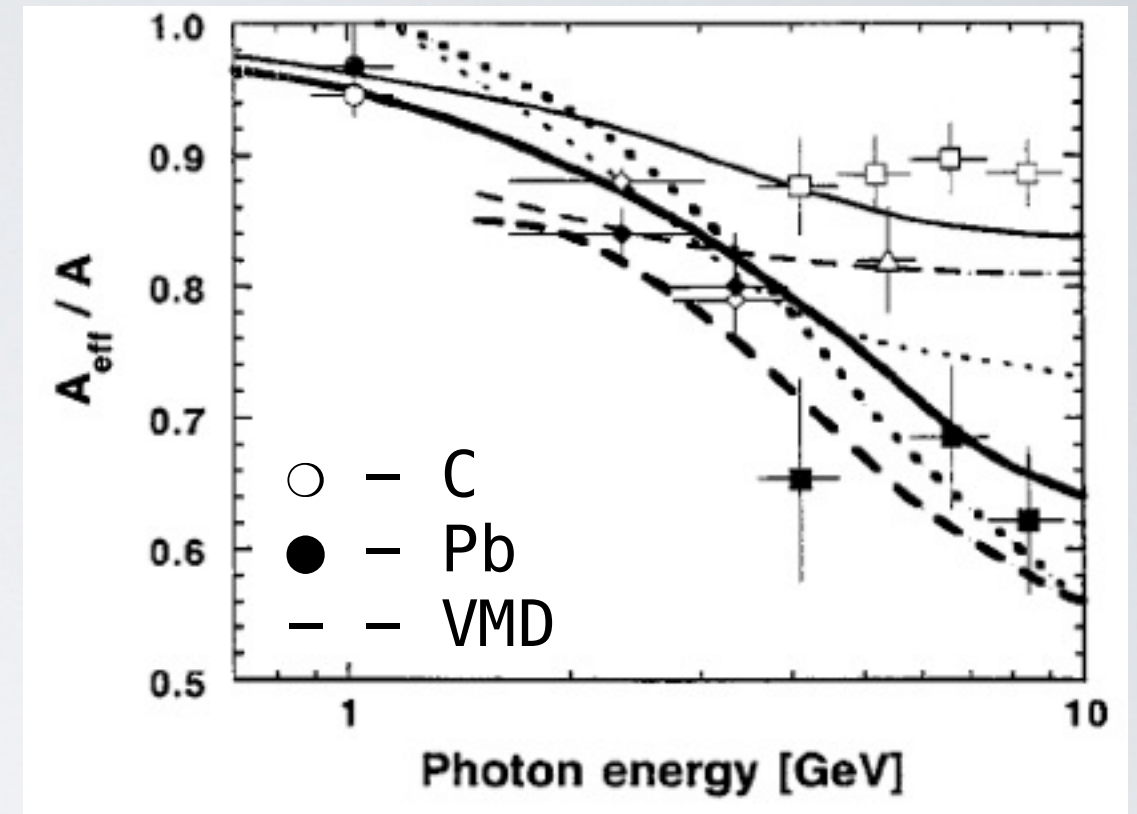
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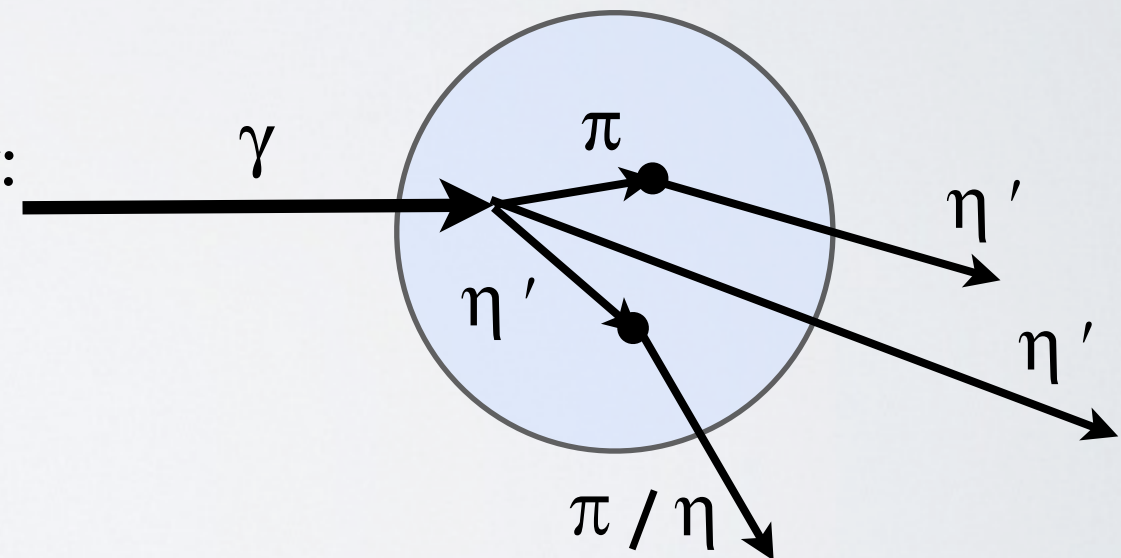
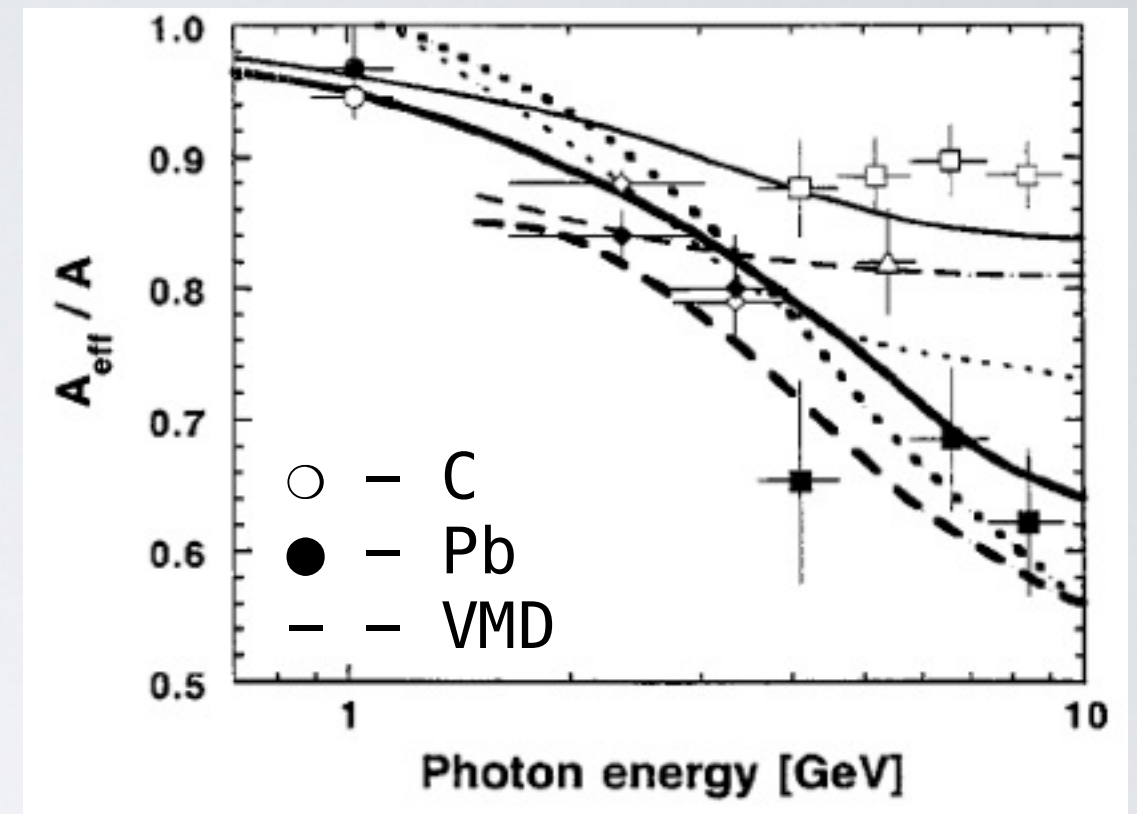
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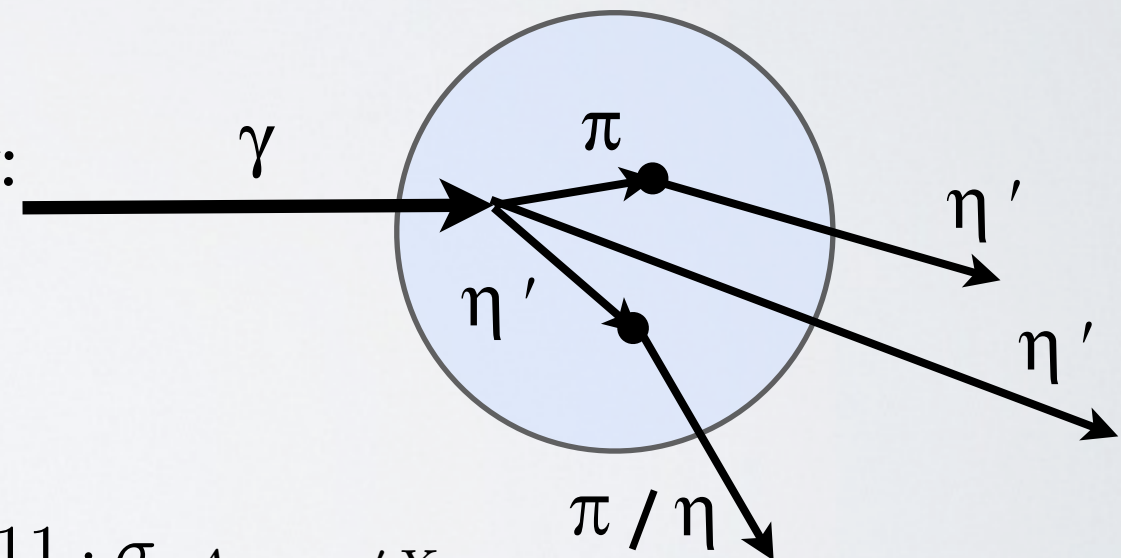
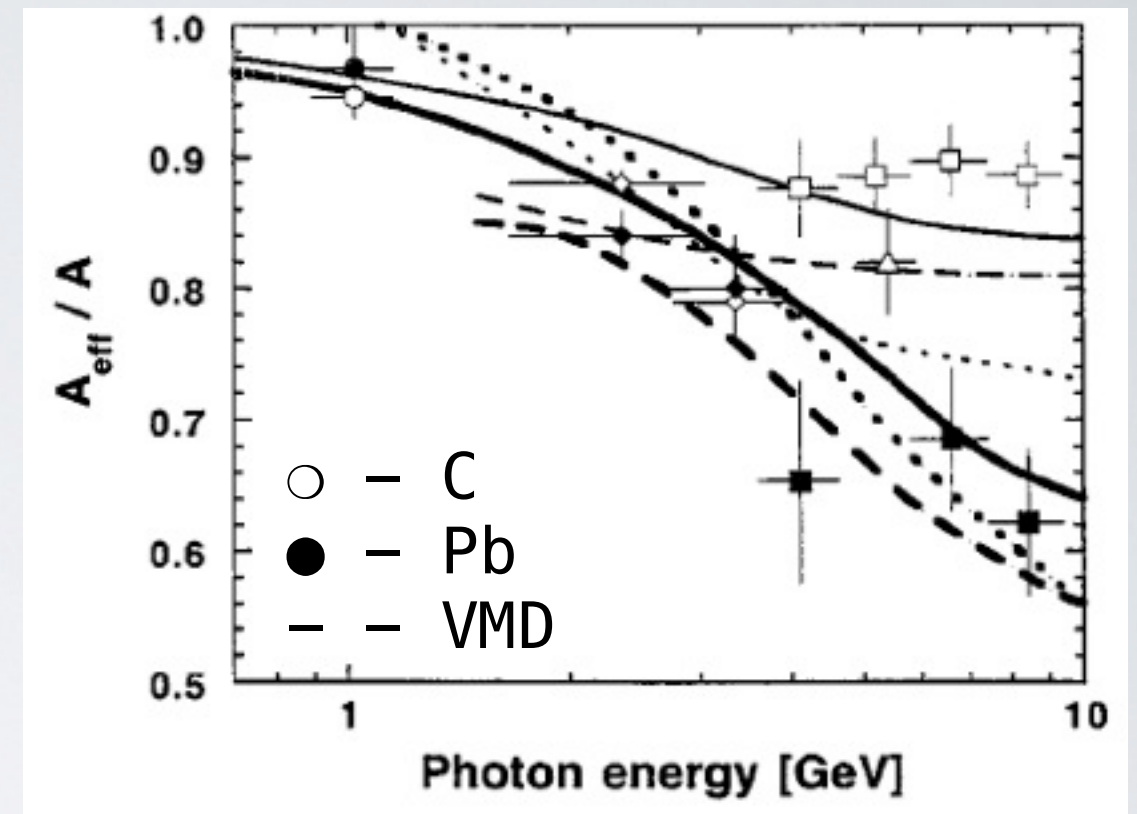
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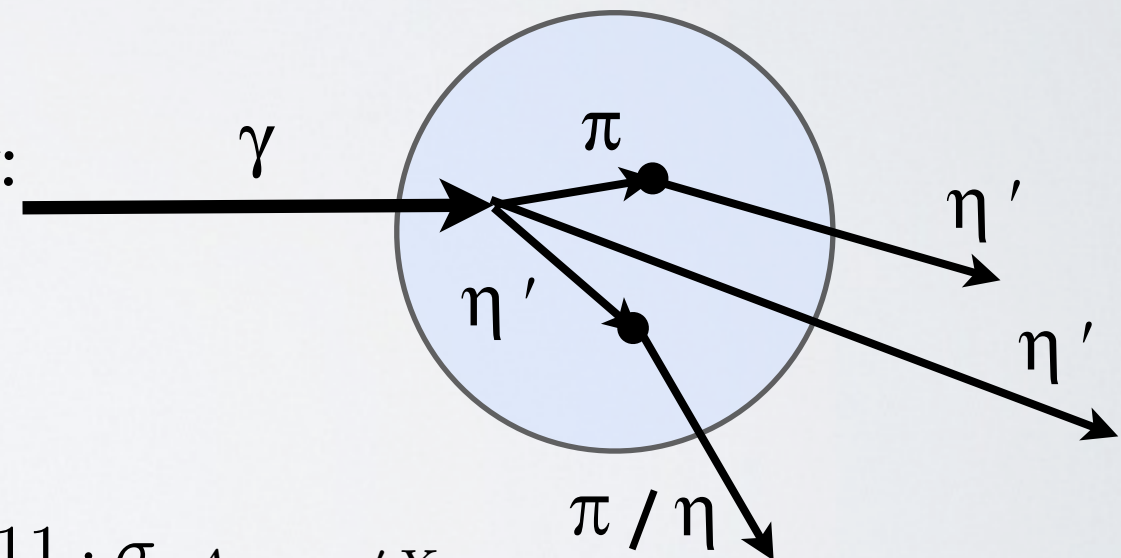
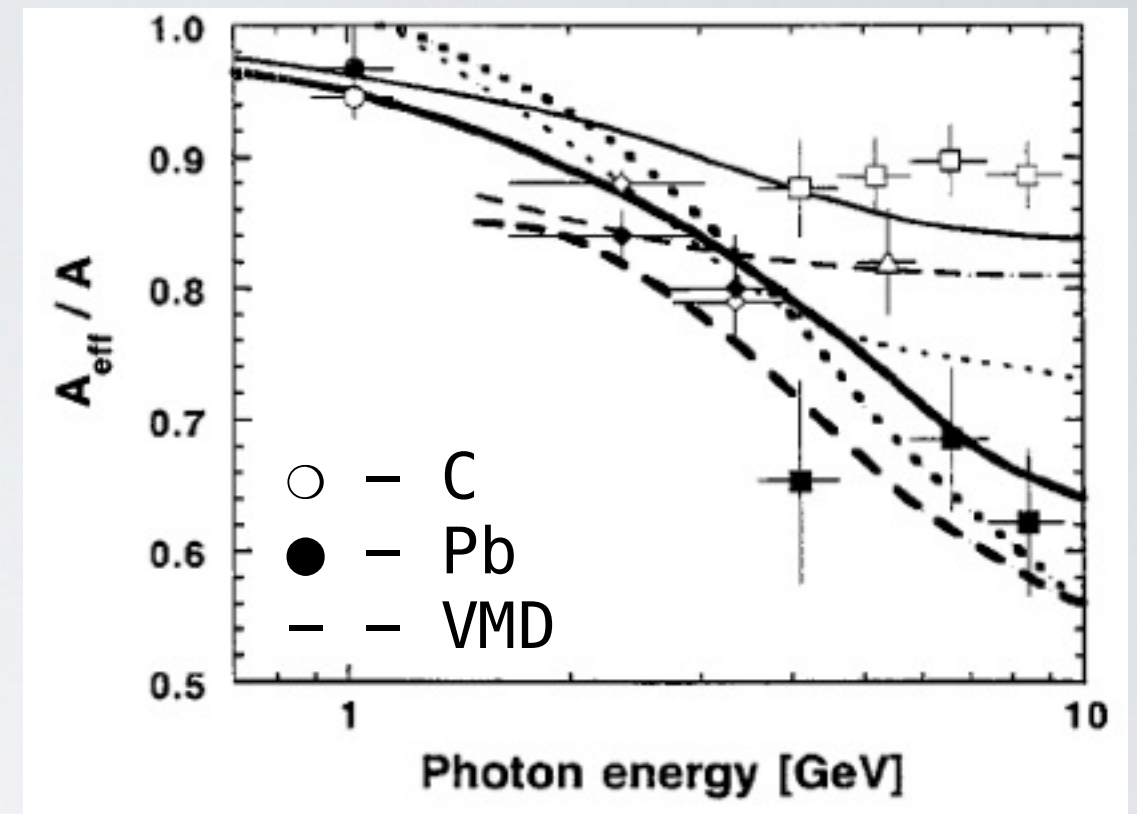
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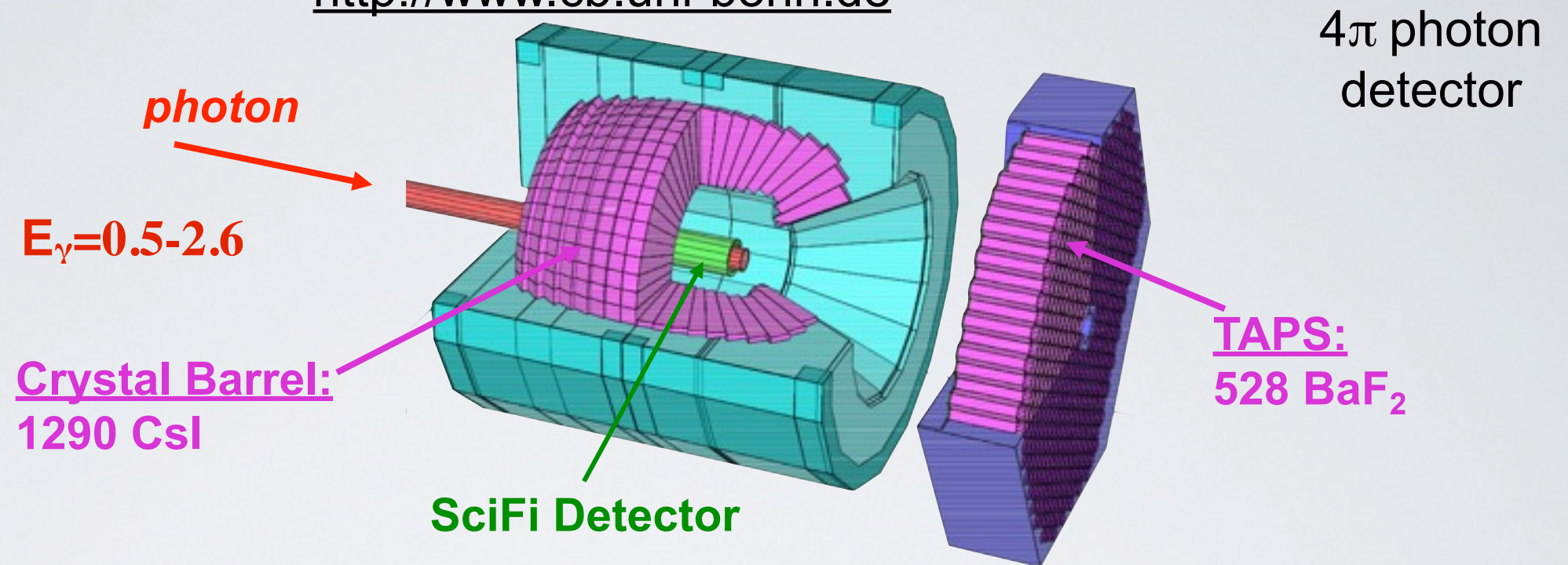
absorption processes involving 2 nucleons distort $\Gamma \rightarrow \sigma_{inel}$ conversion

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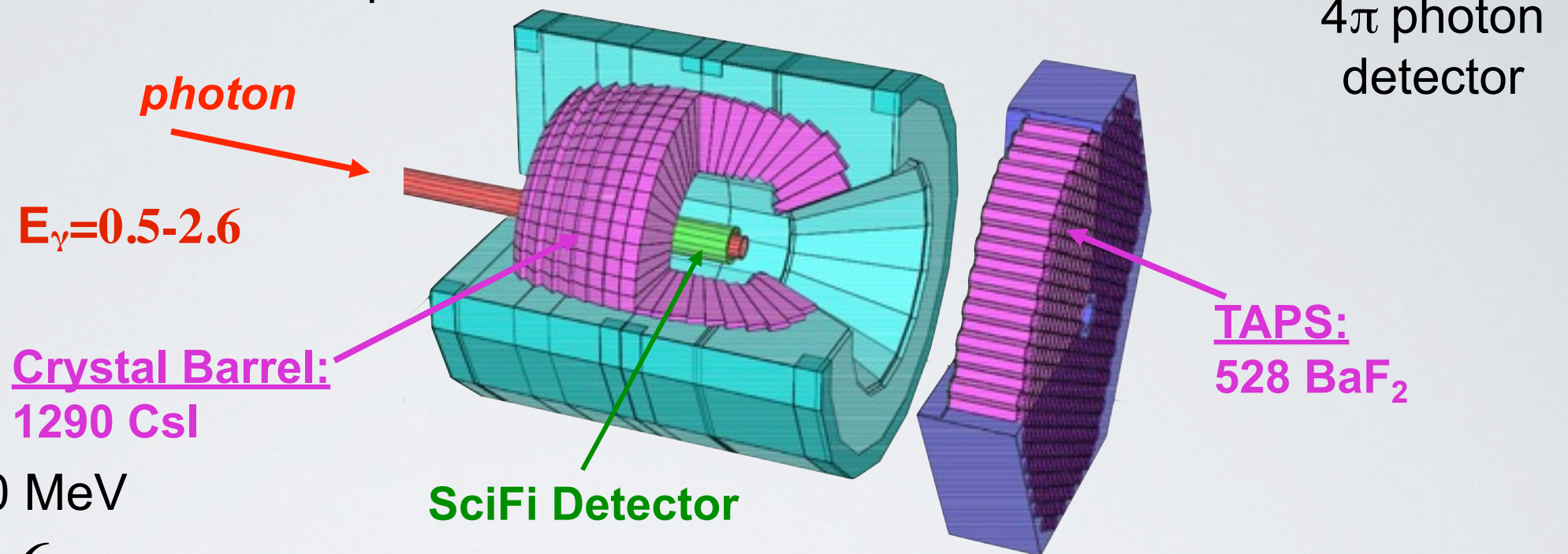
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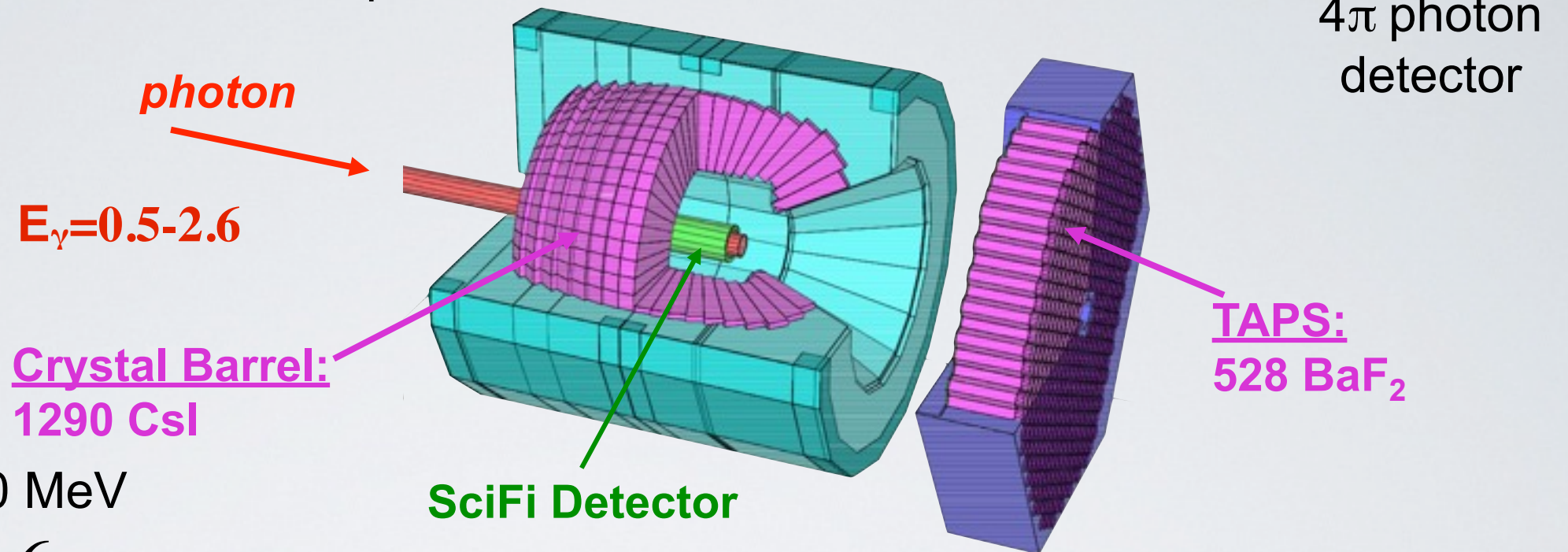
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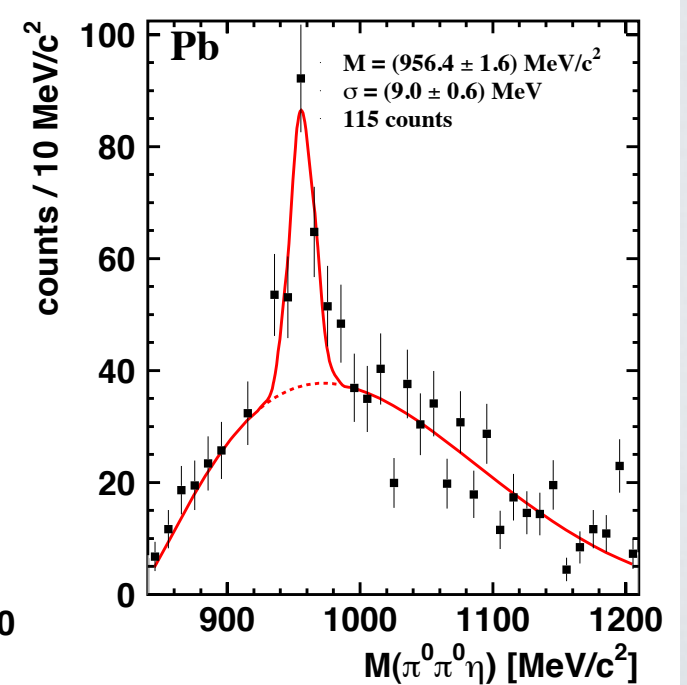
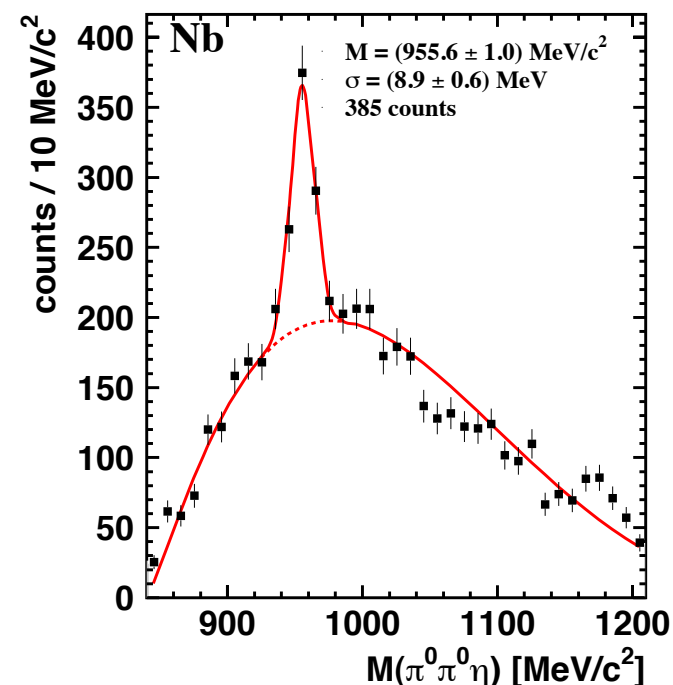
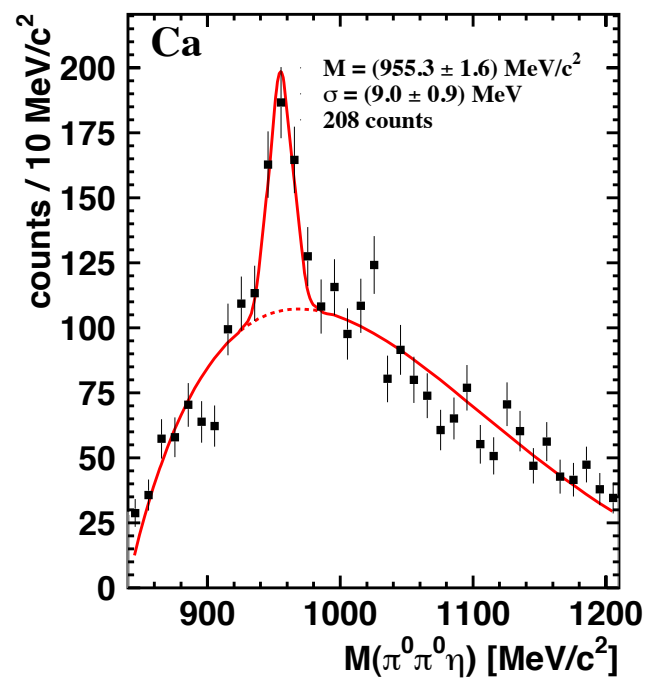
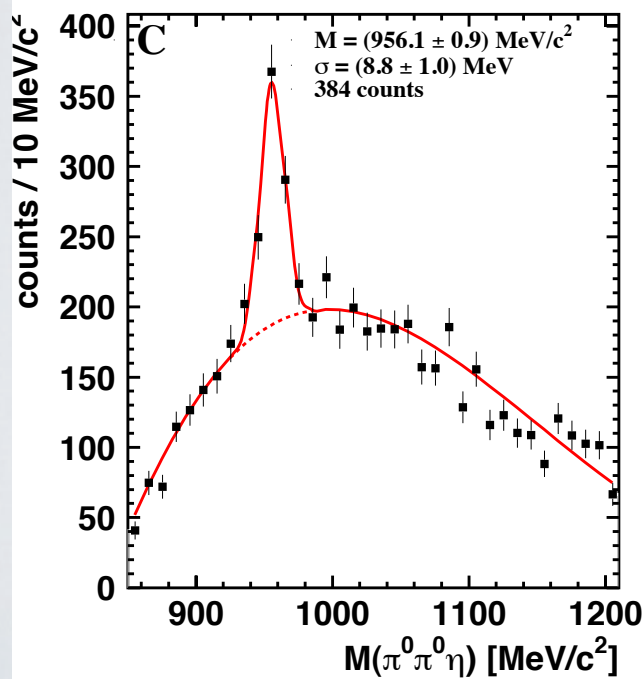


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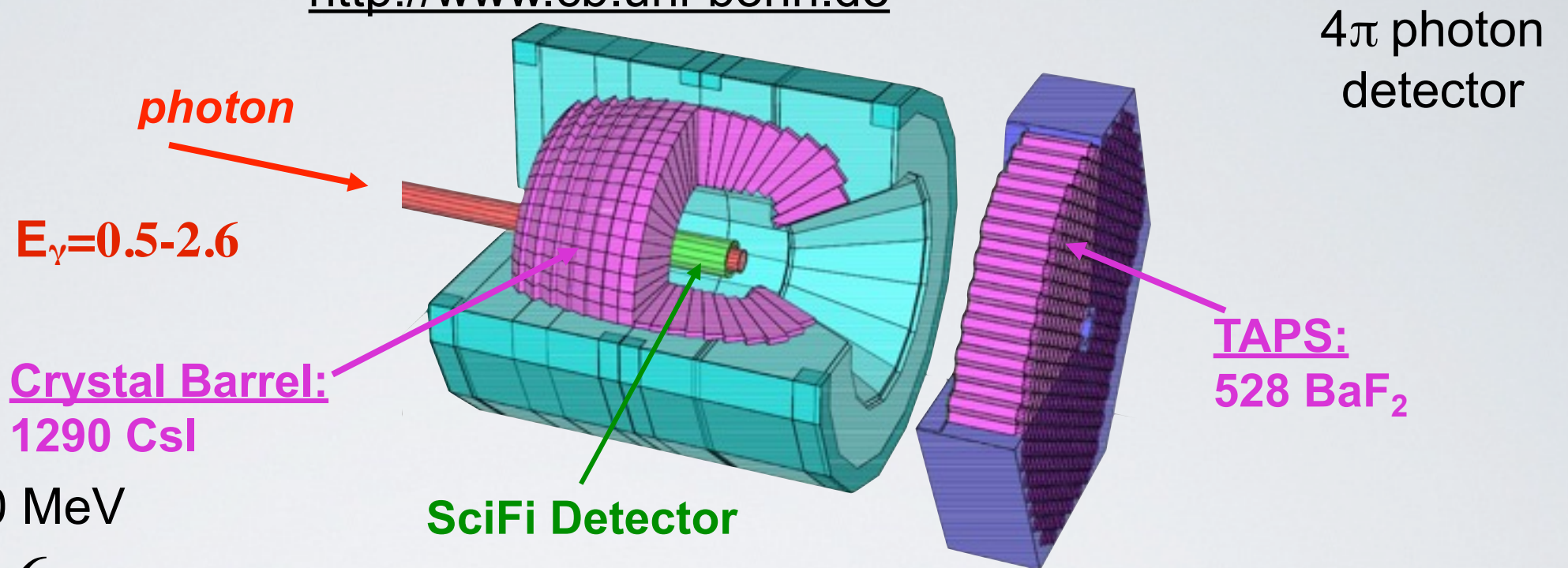
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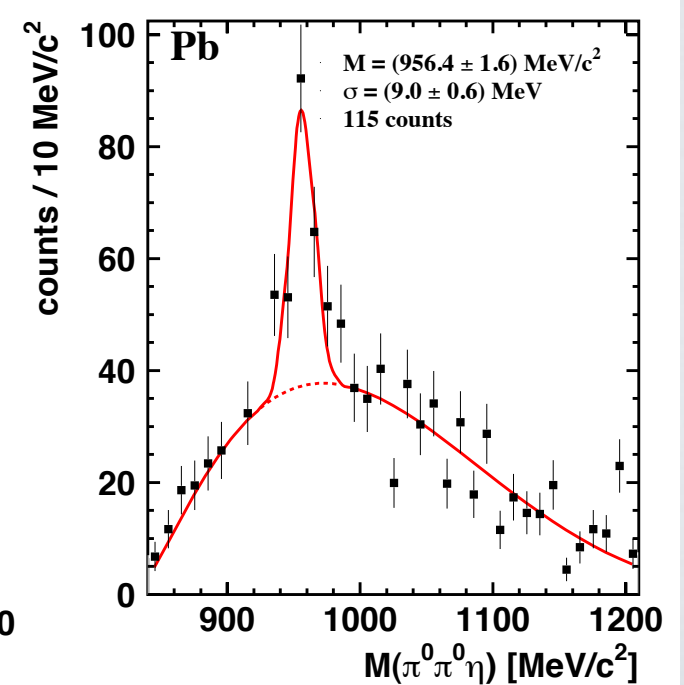
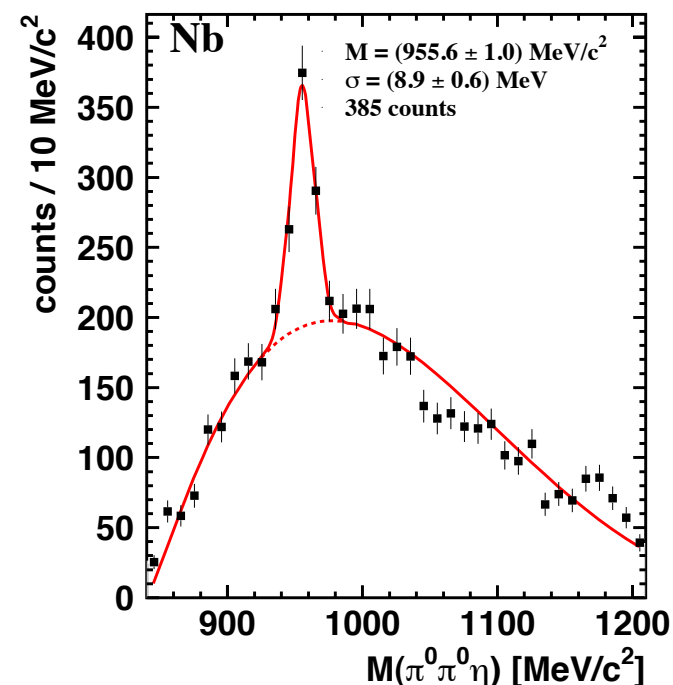
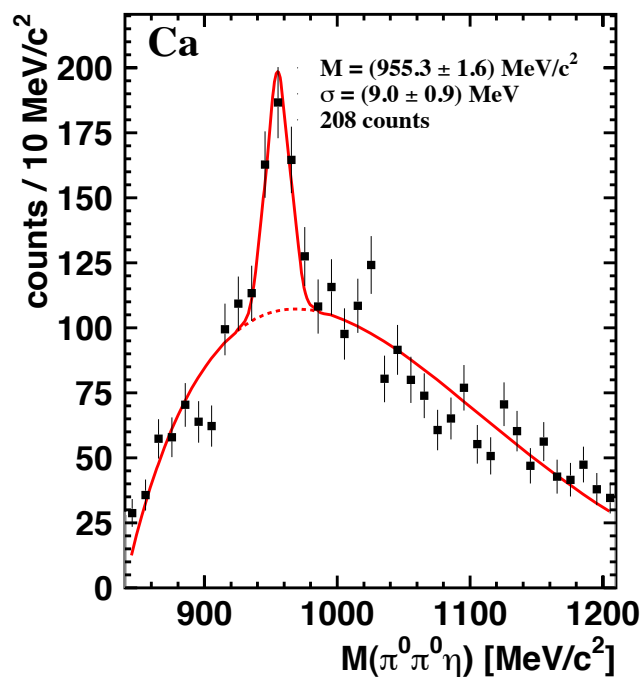
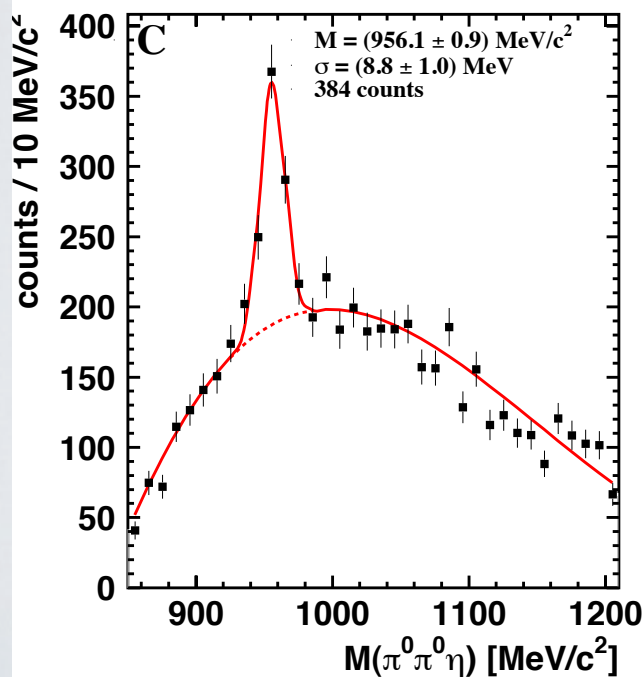


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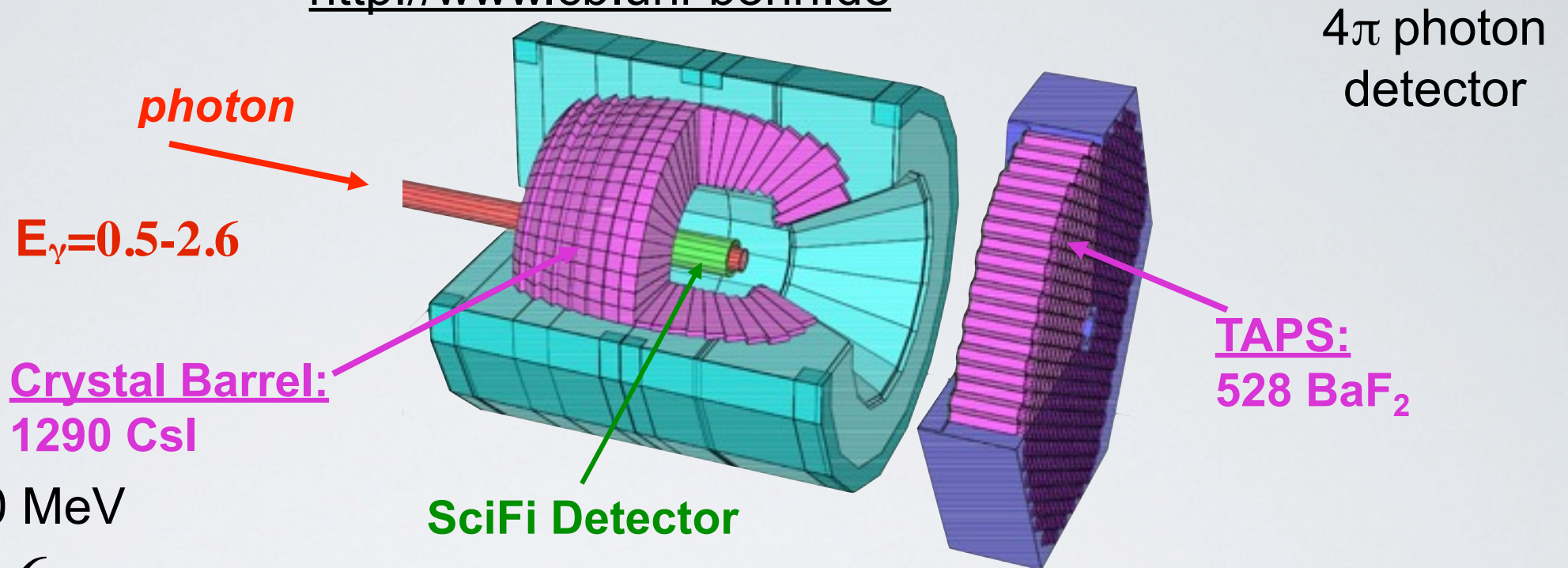
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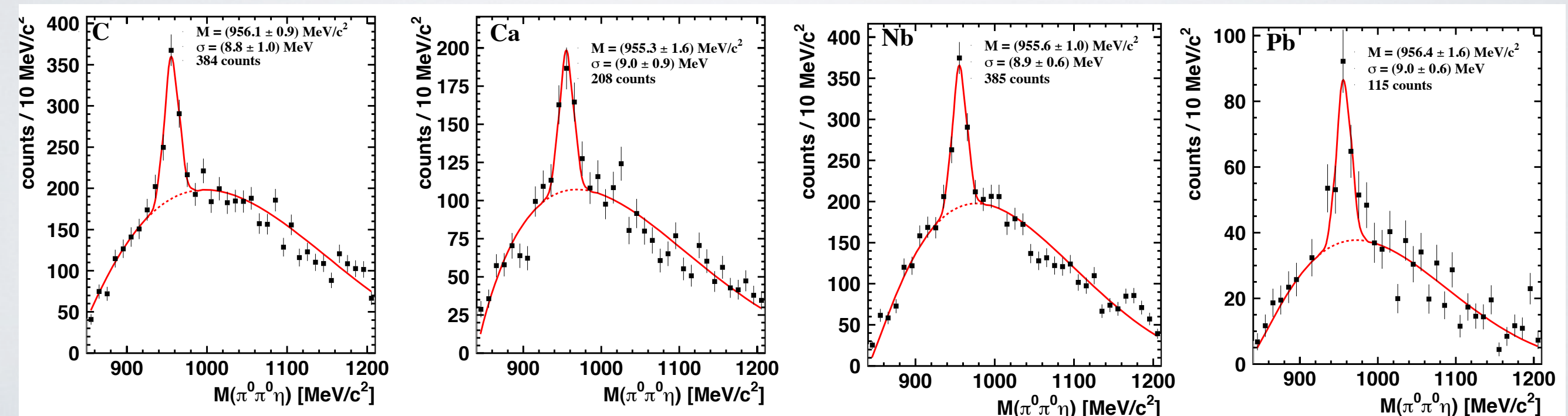


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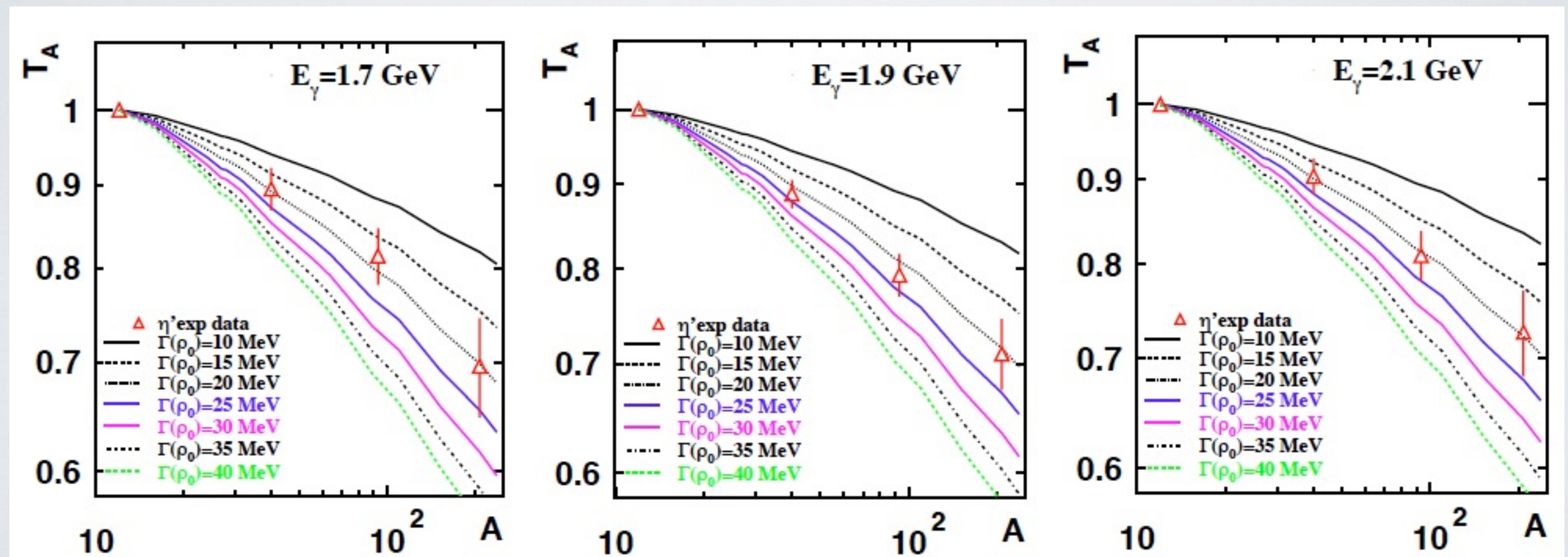


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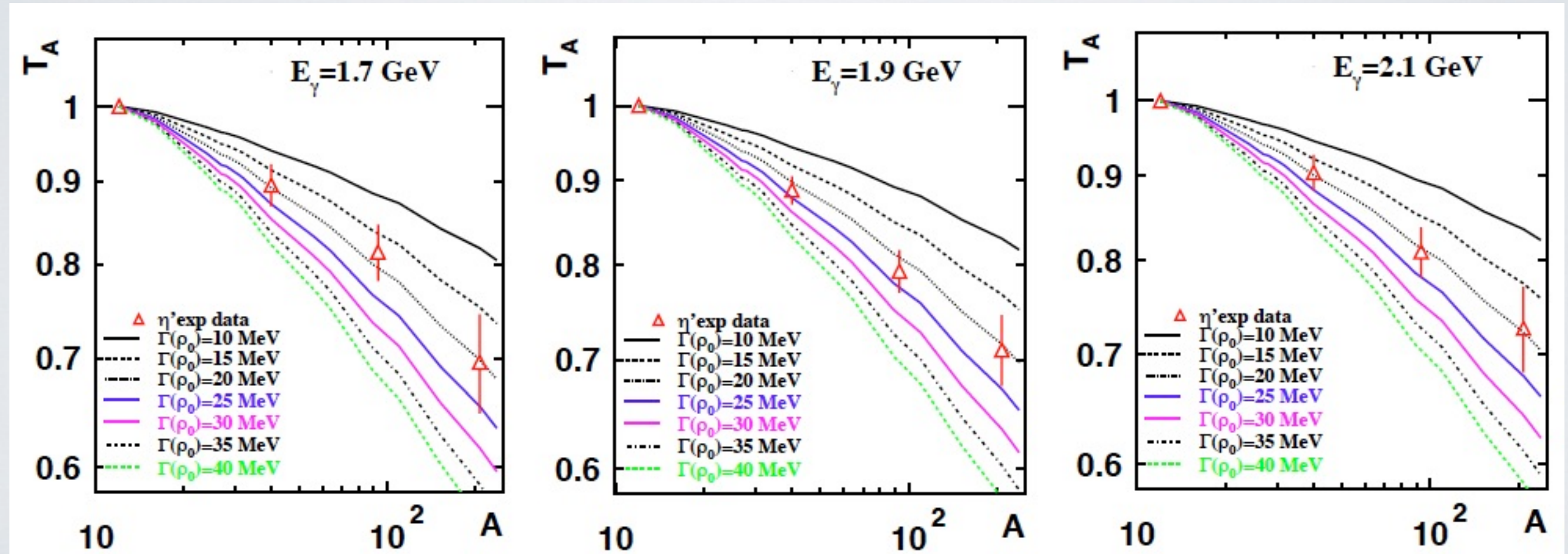
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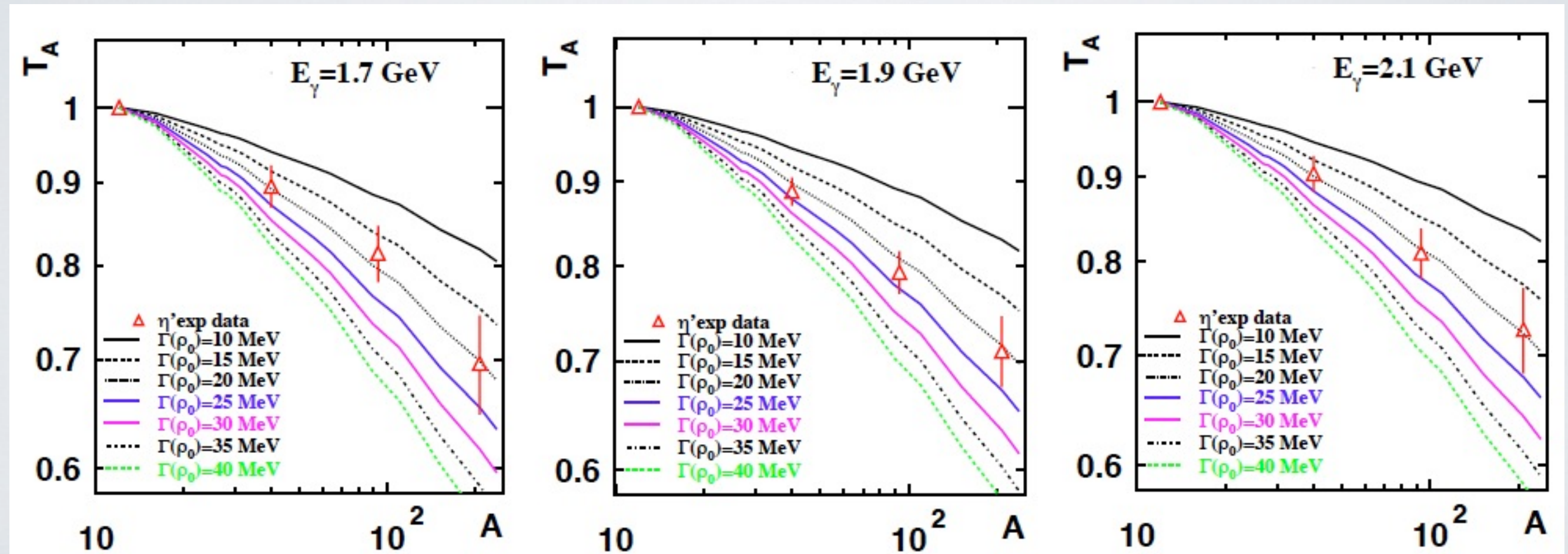


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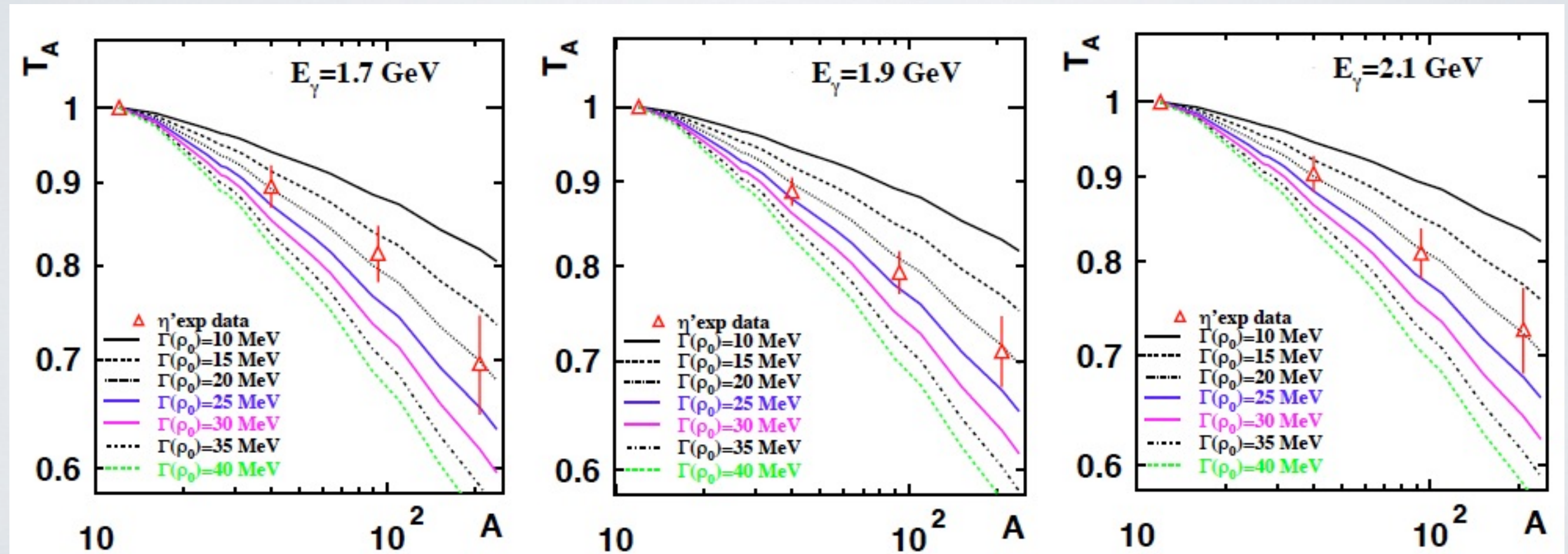
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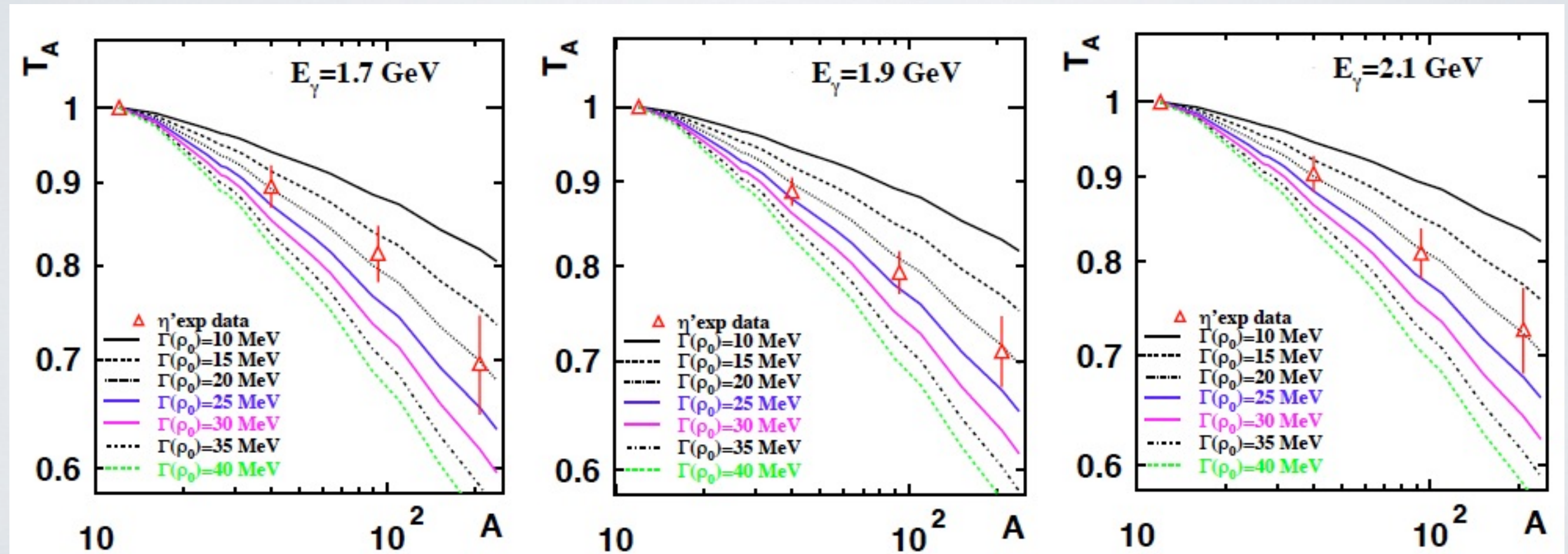
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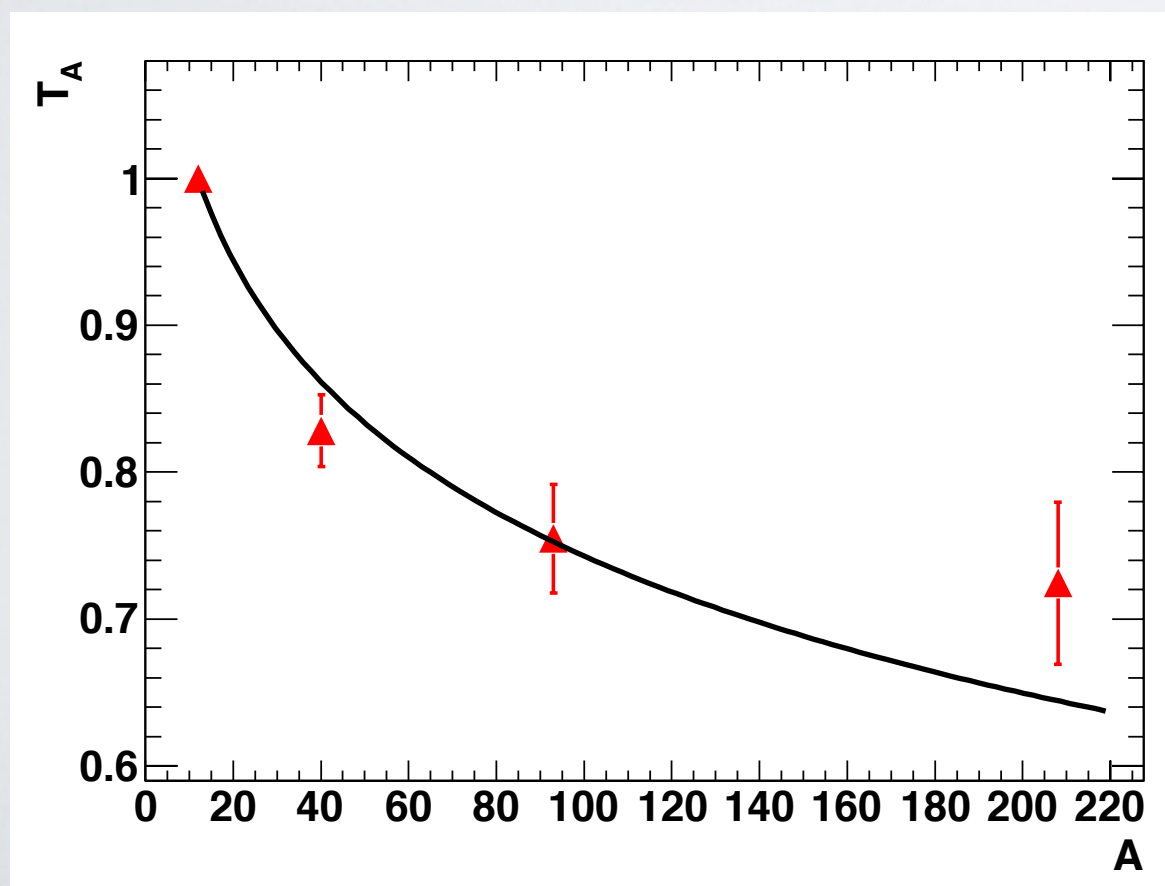
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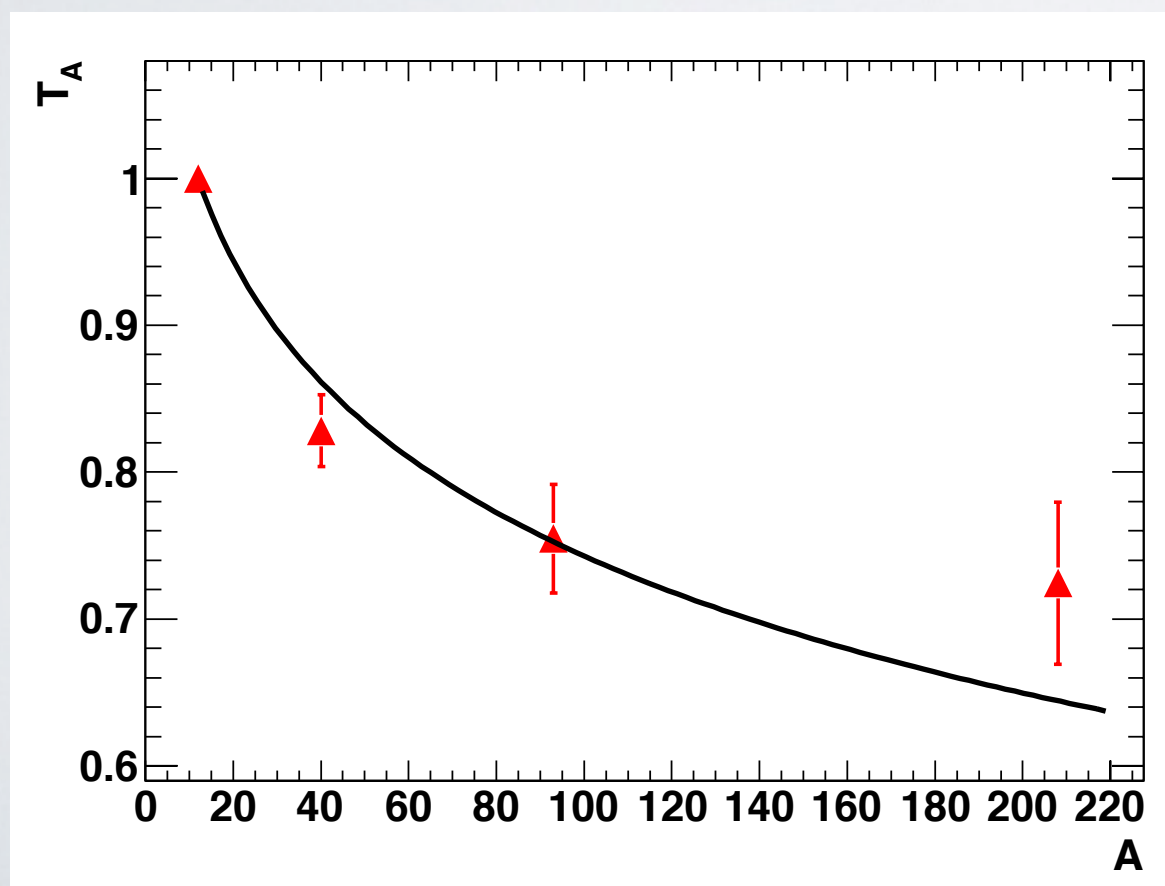
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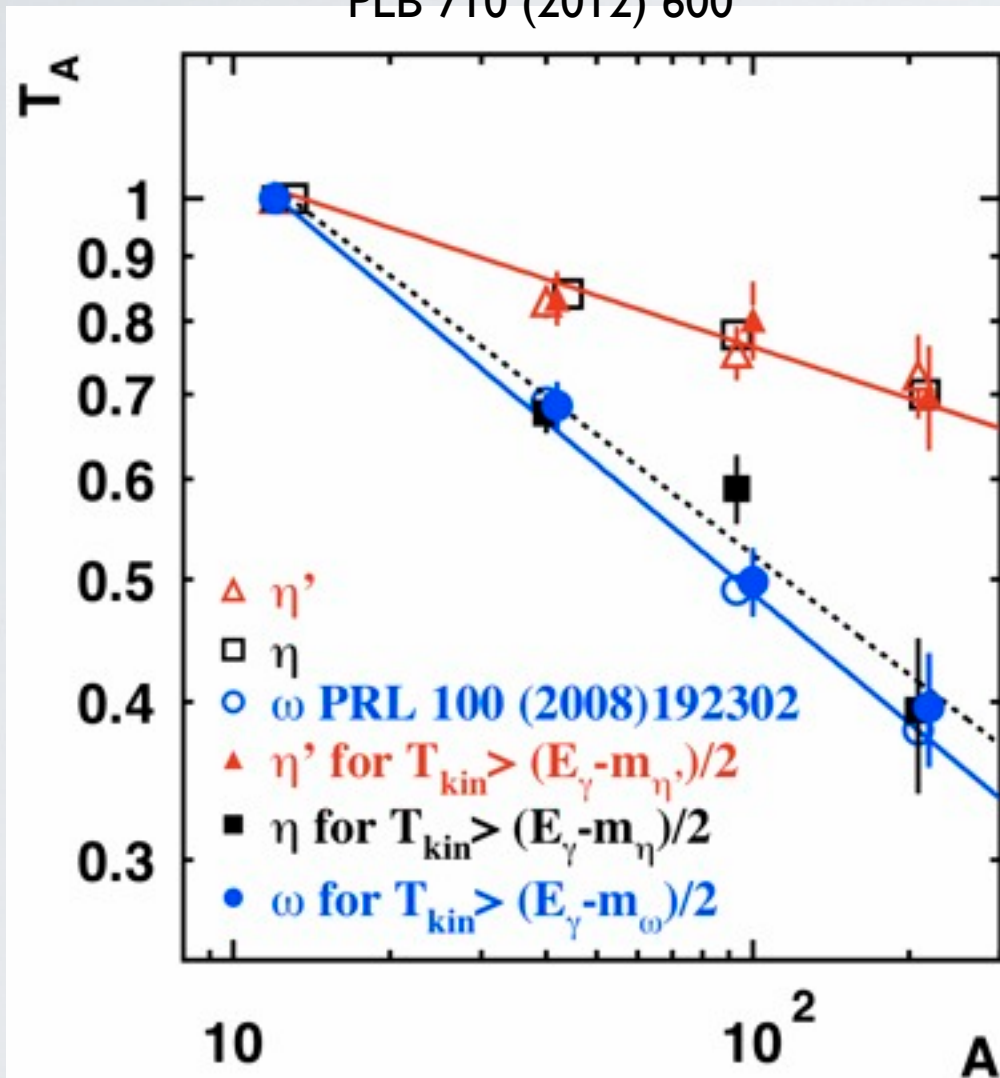
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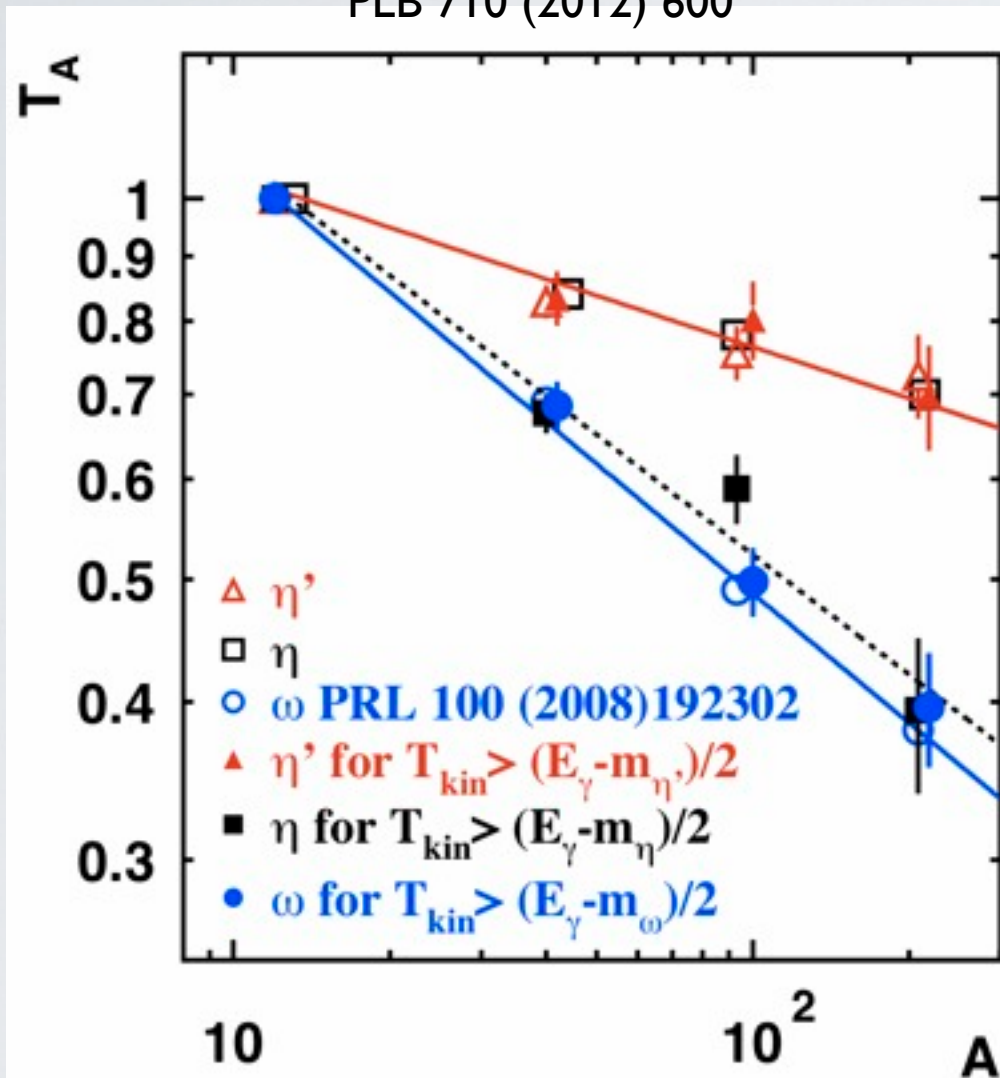
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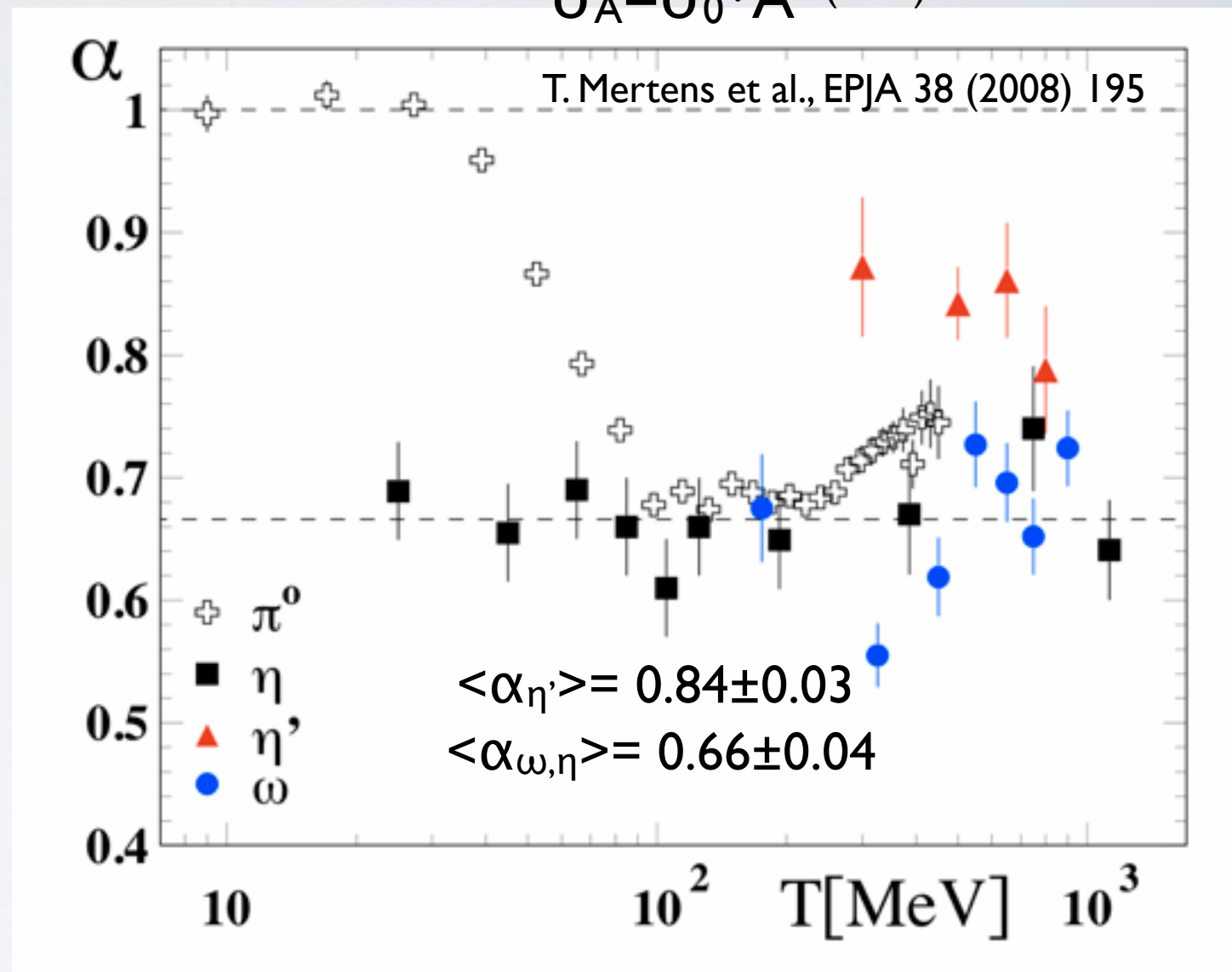
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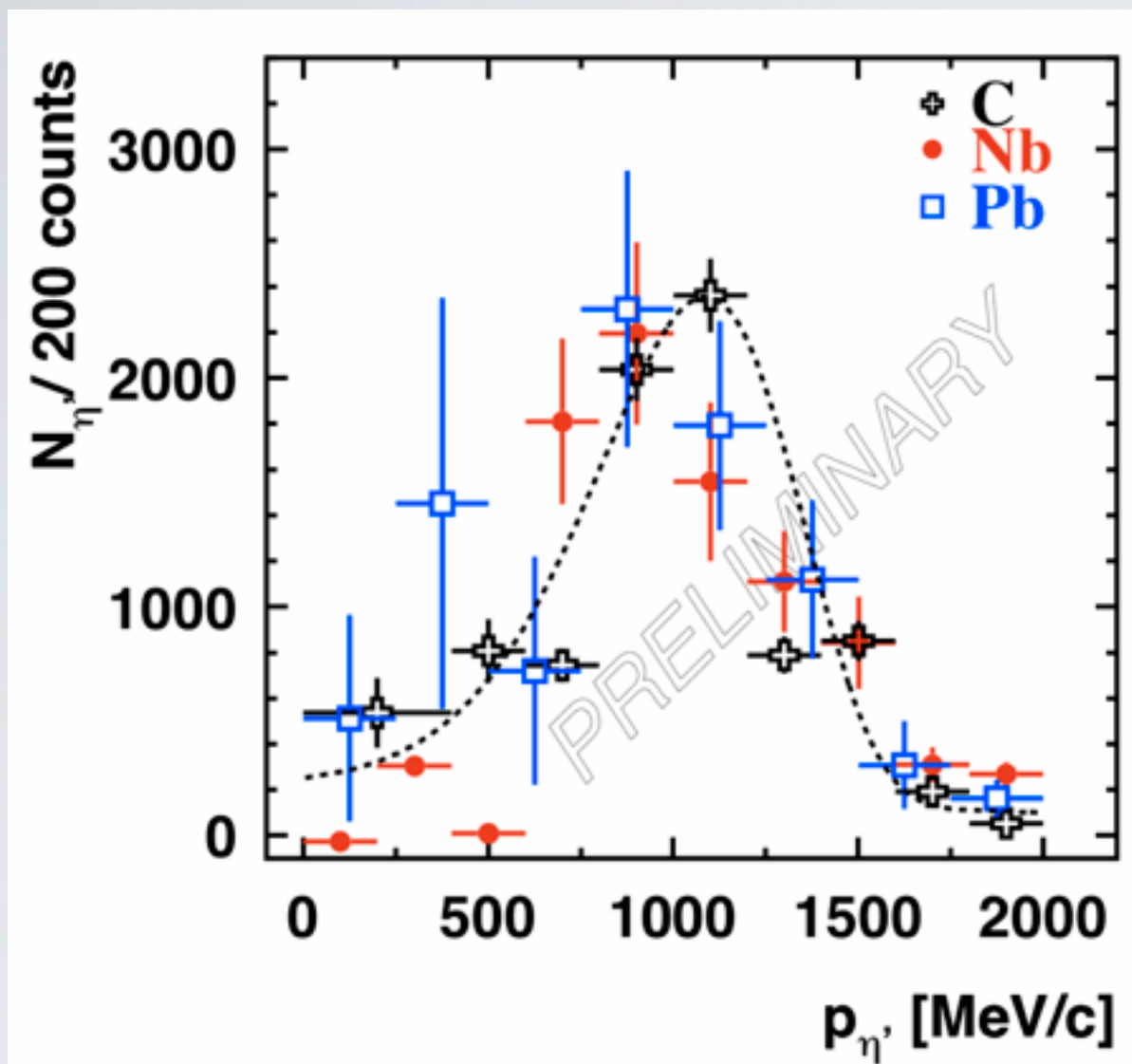
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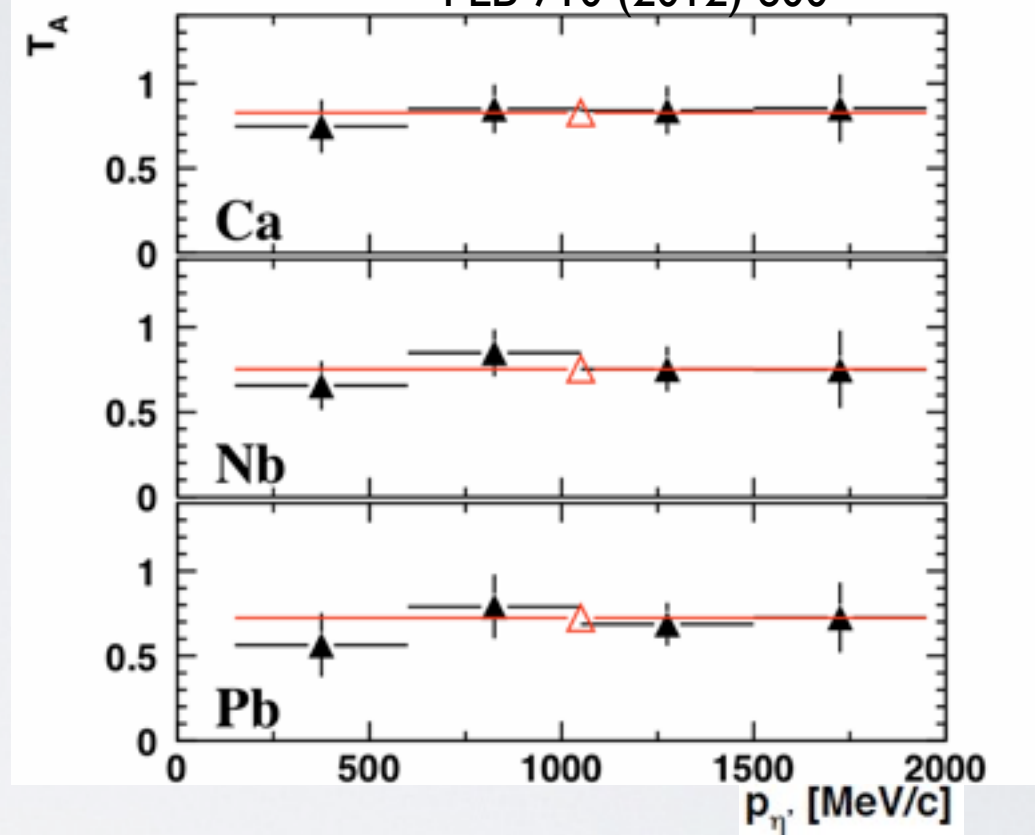
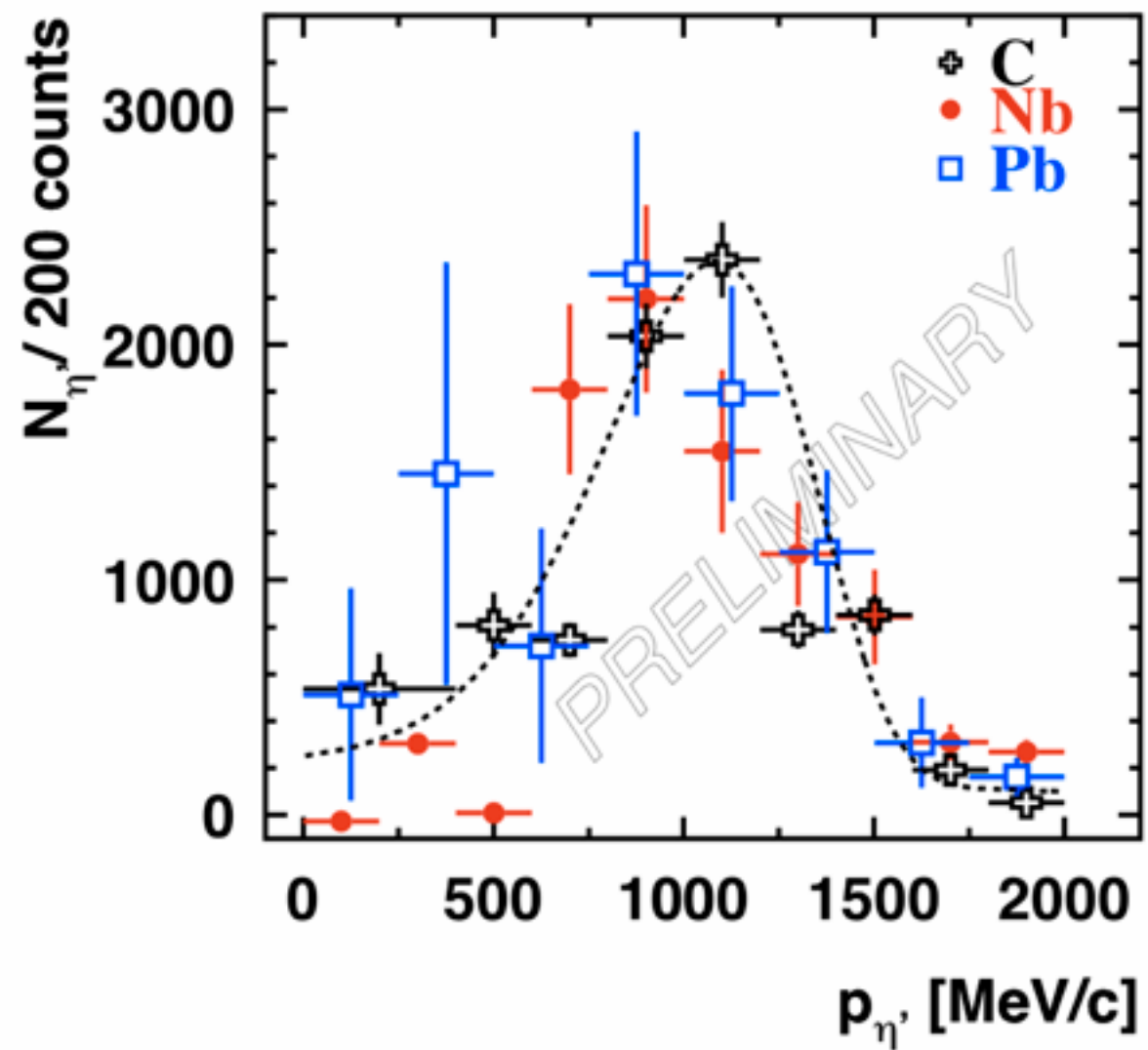
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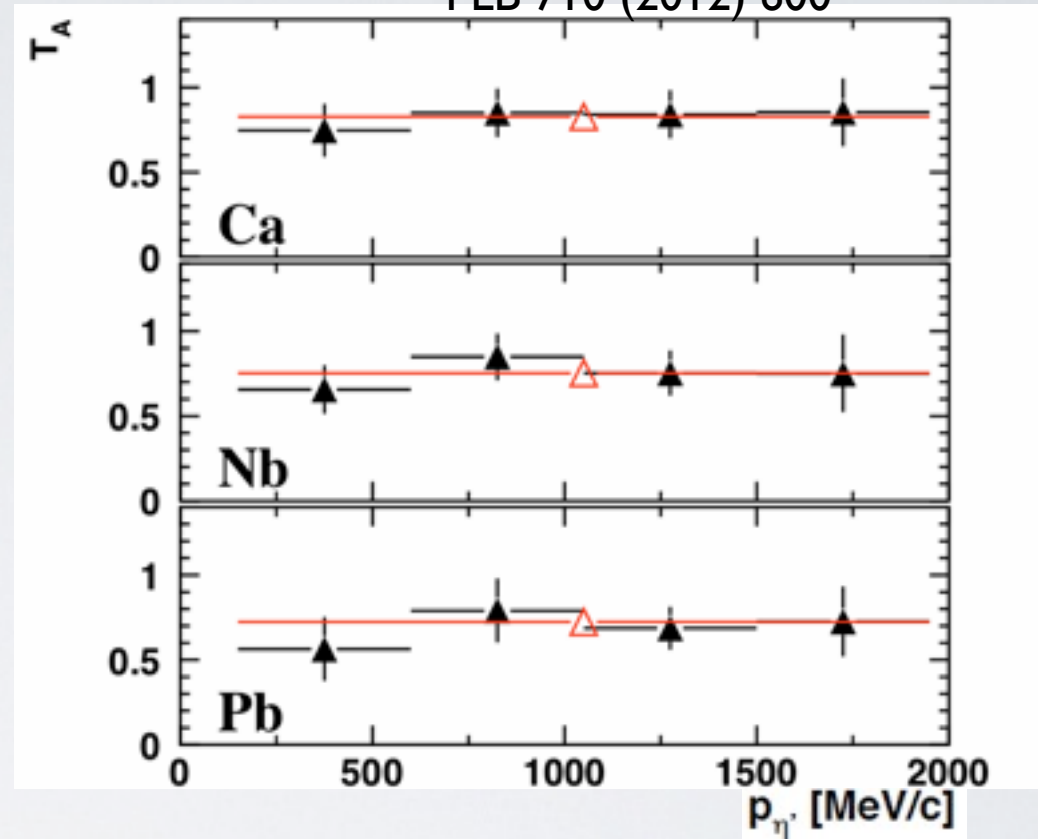
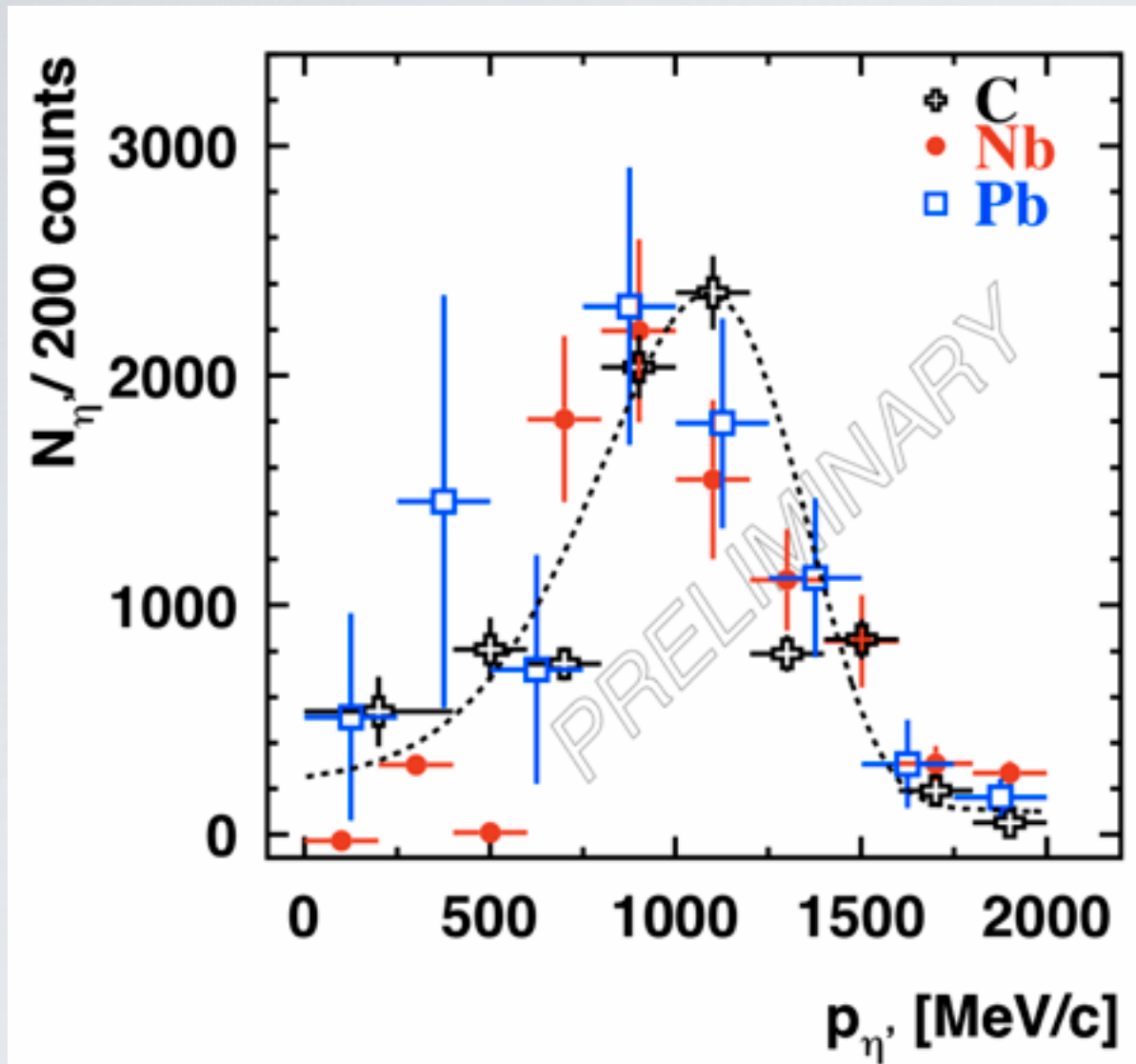
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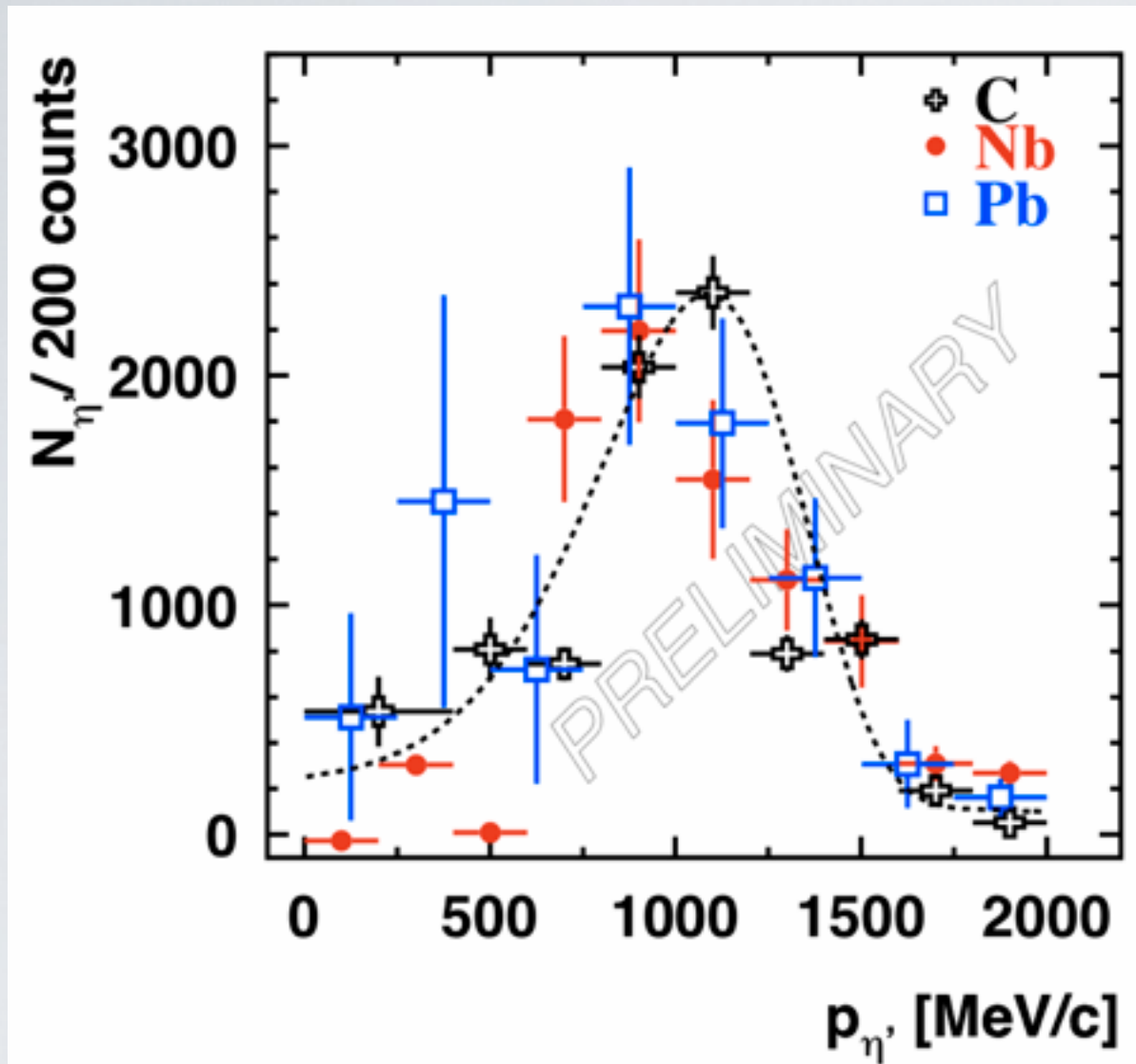
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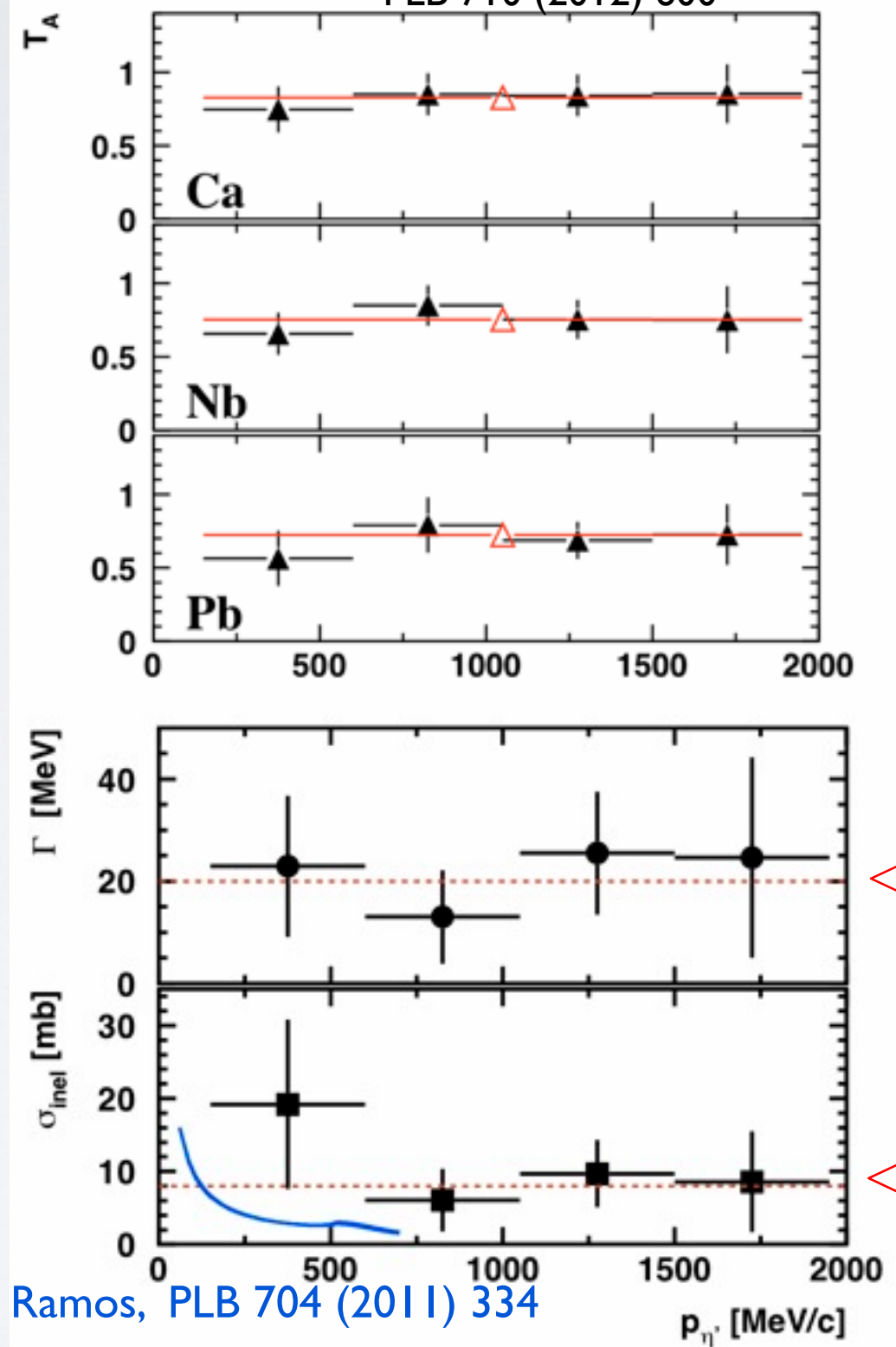
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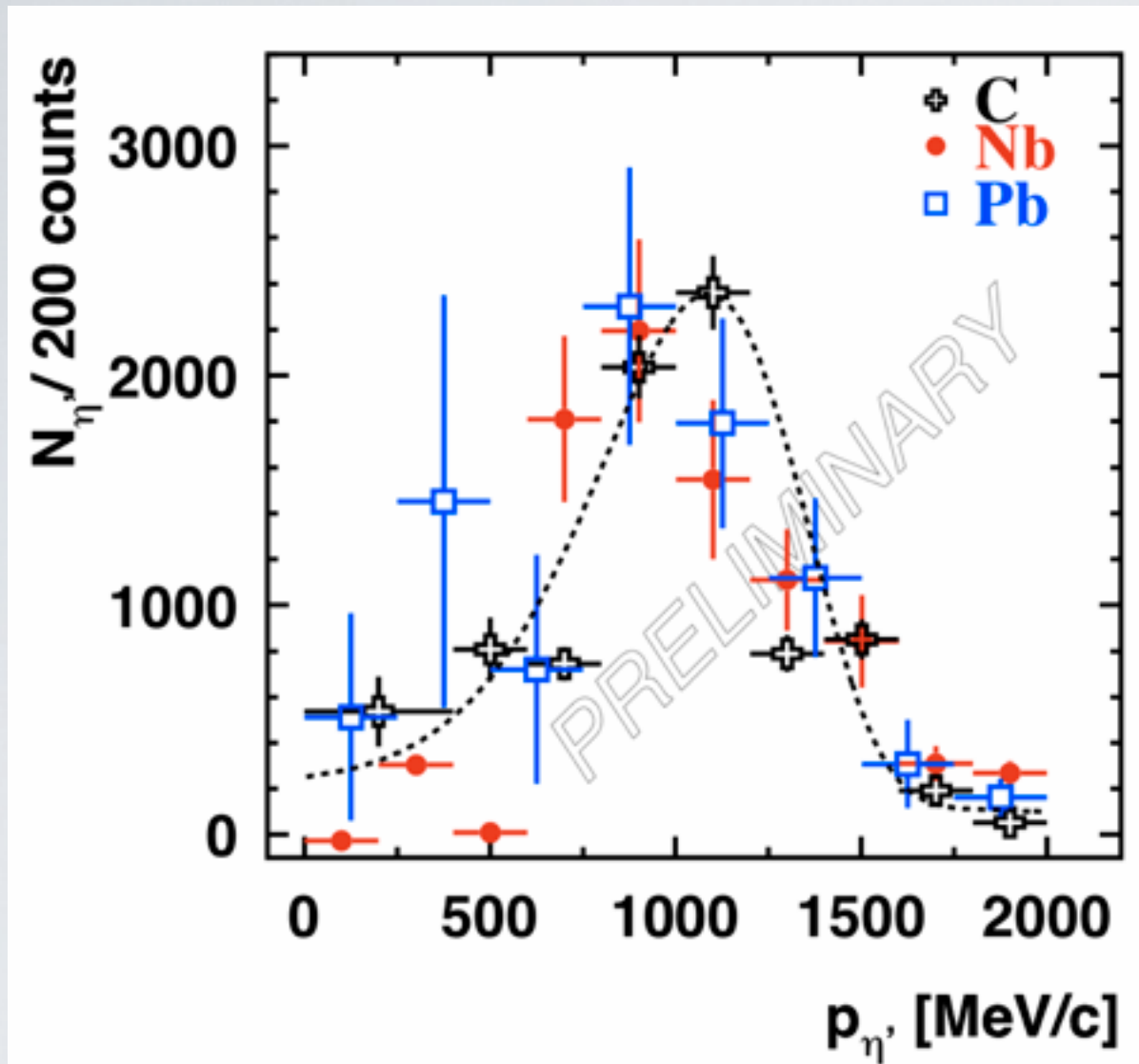
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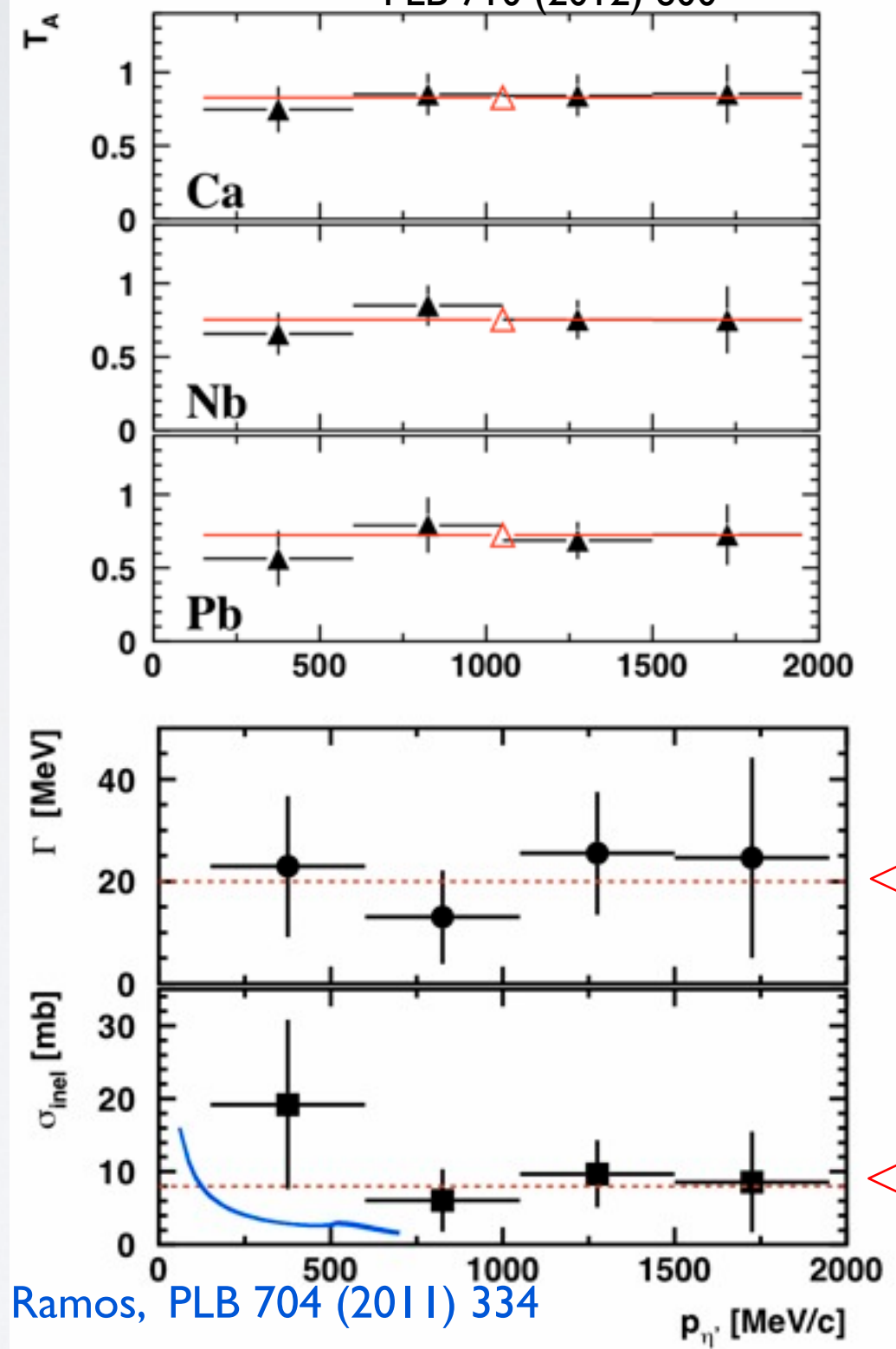
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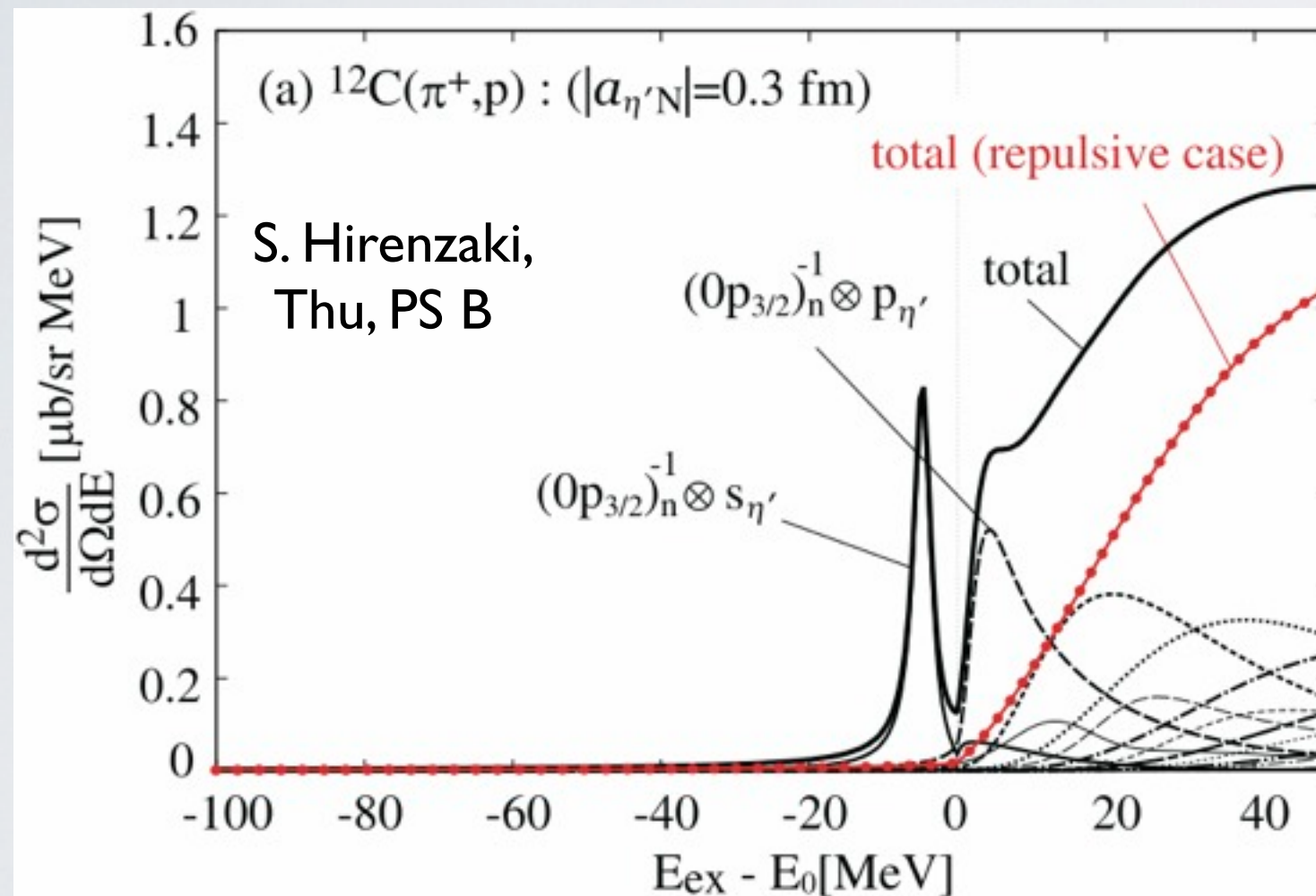
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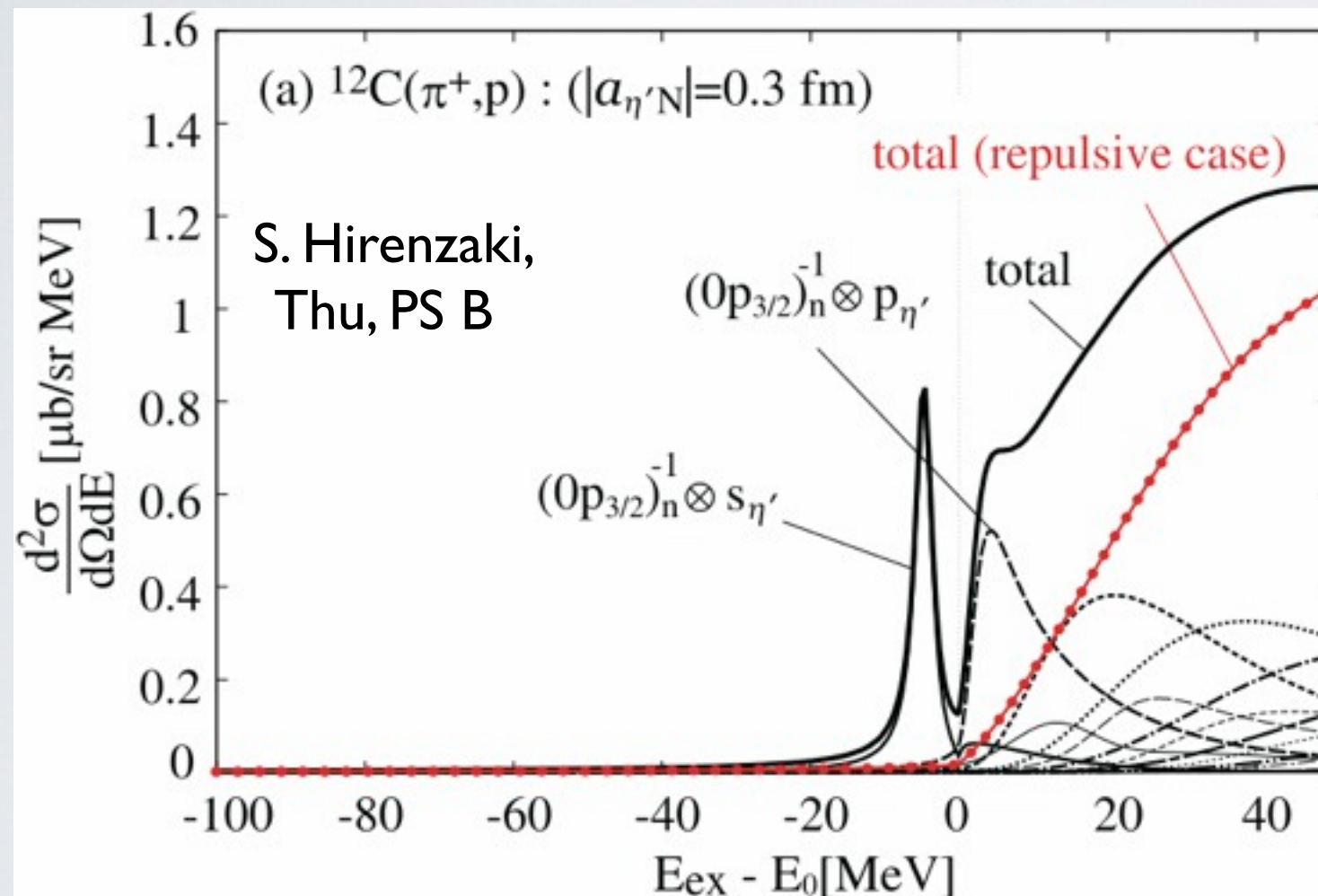
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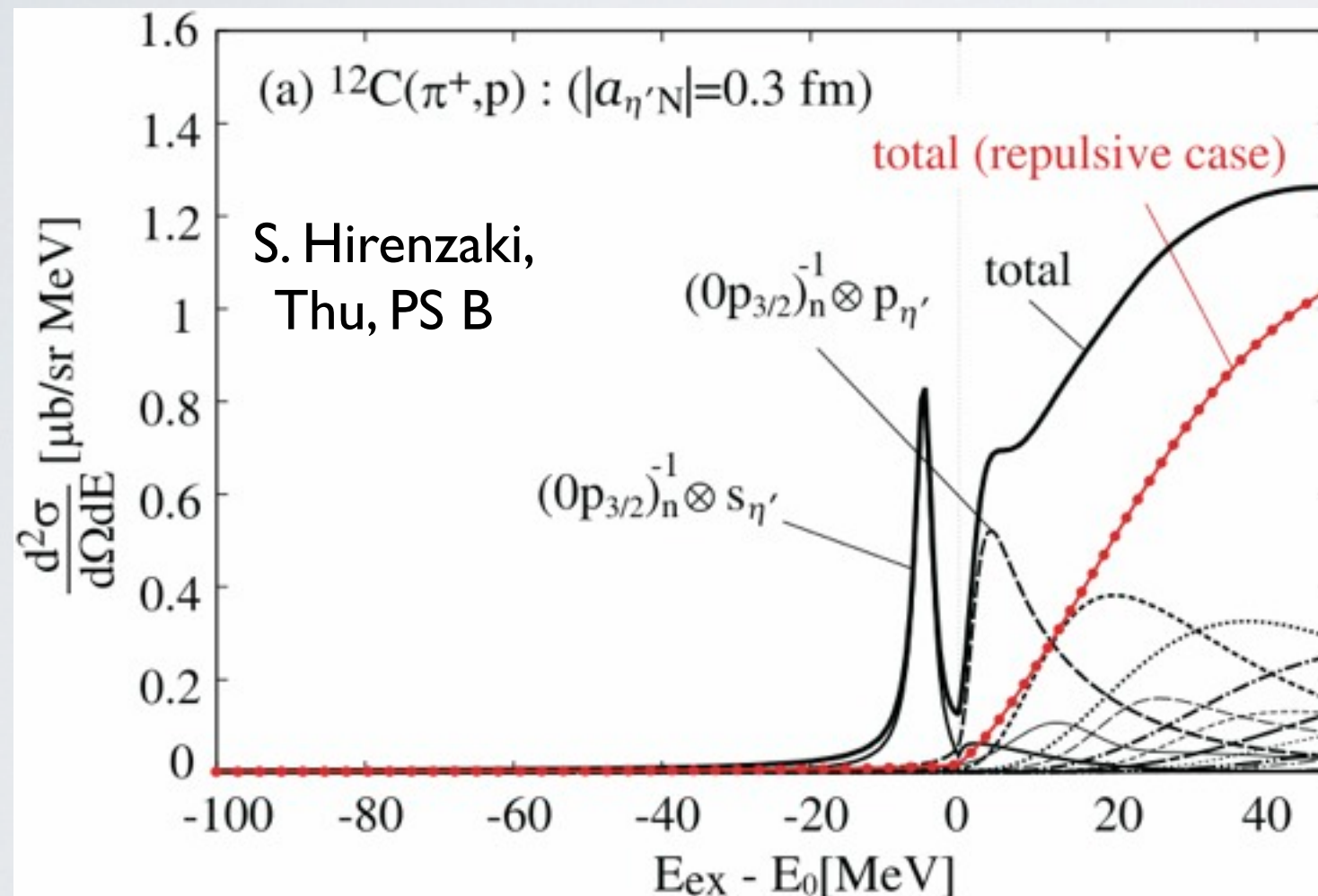
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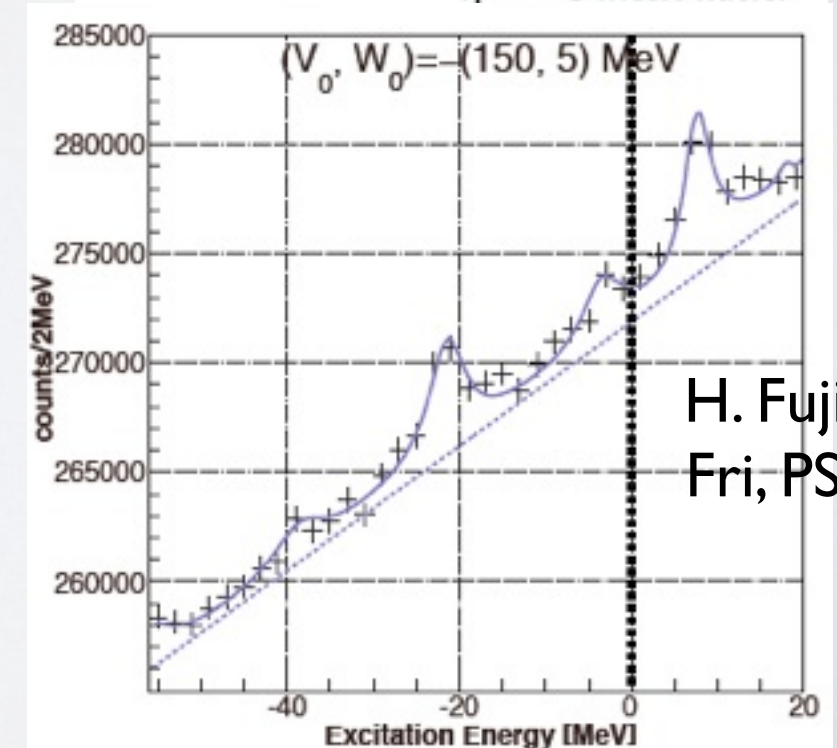
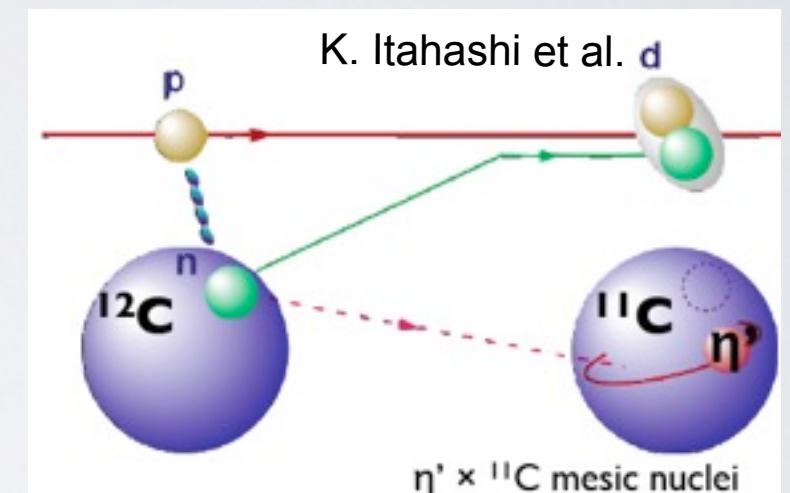
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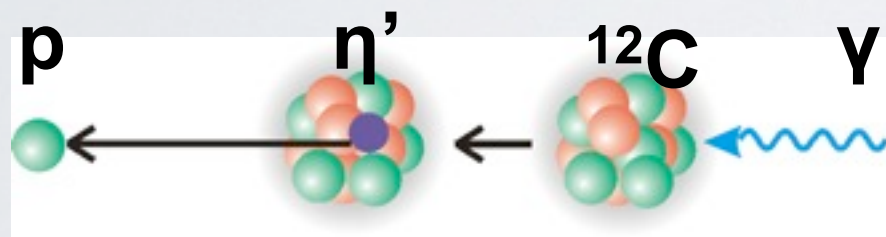
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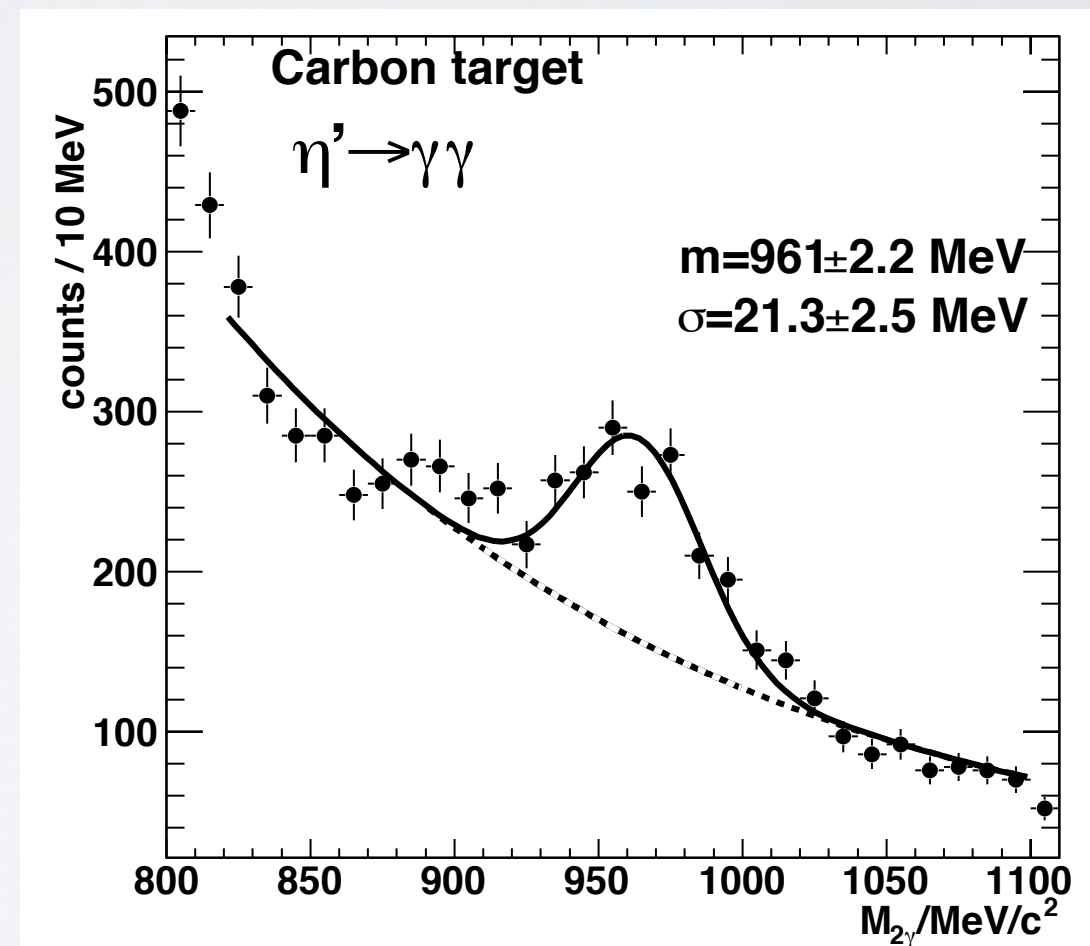
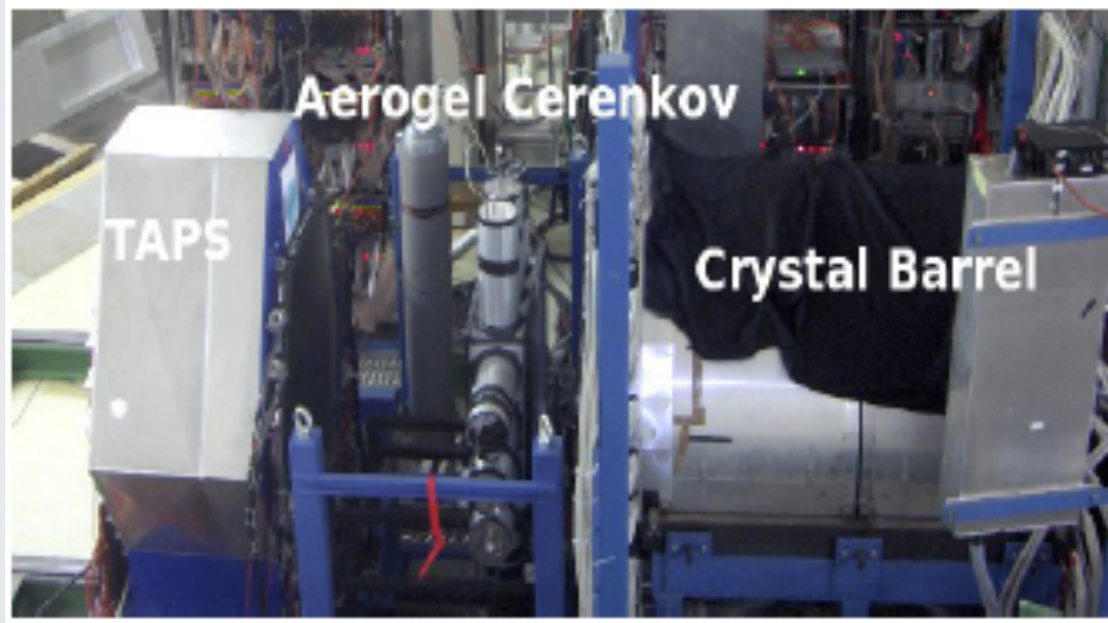
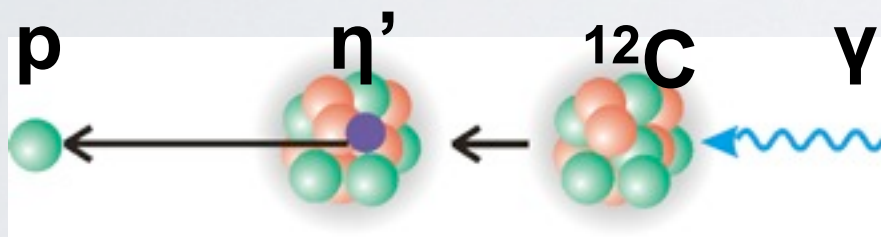
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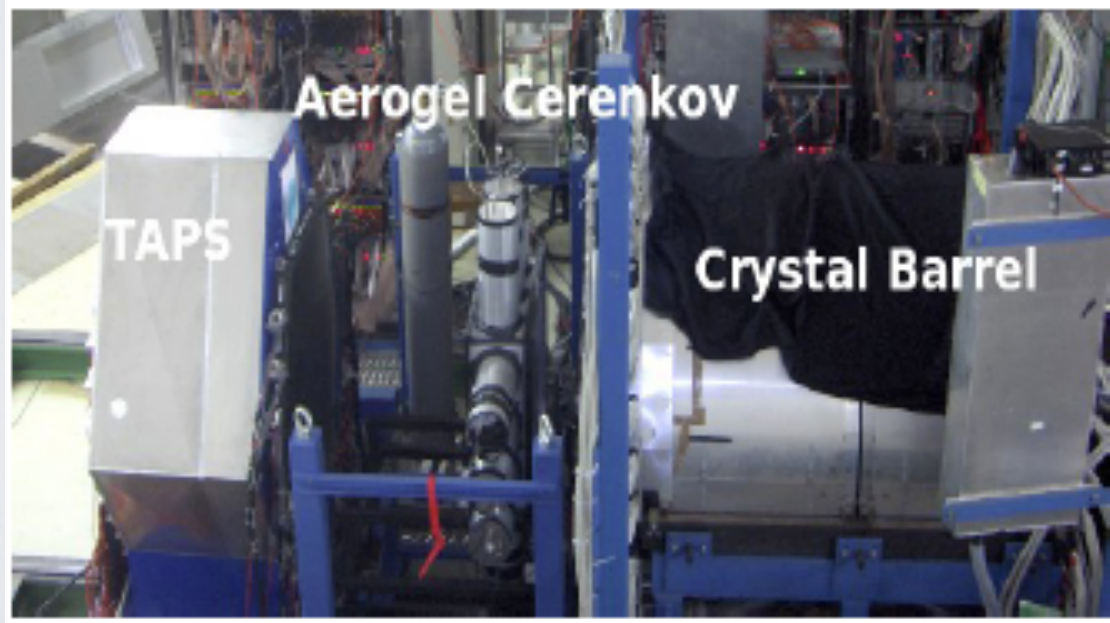
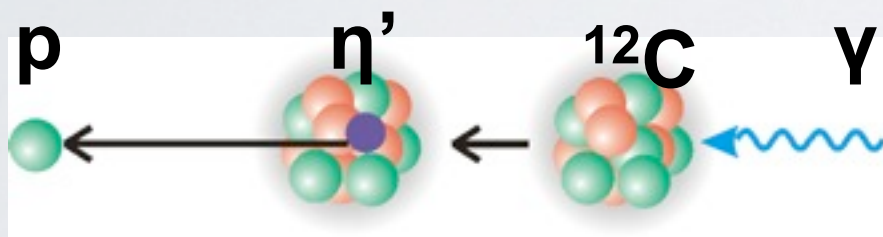
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