

Superscaling predictions for NC and CC Quasi-elastic Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering

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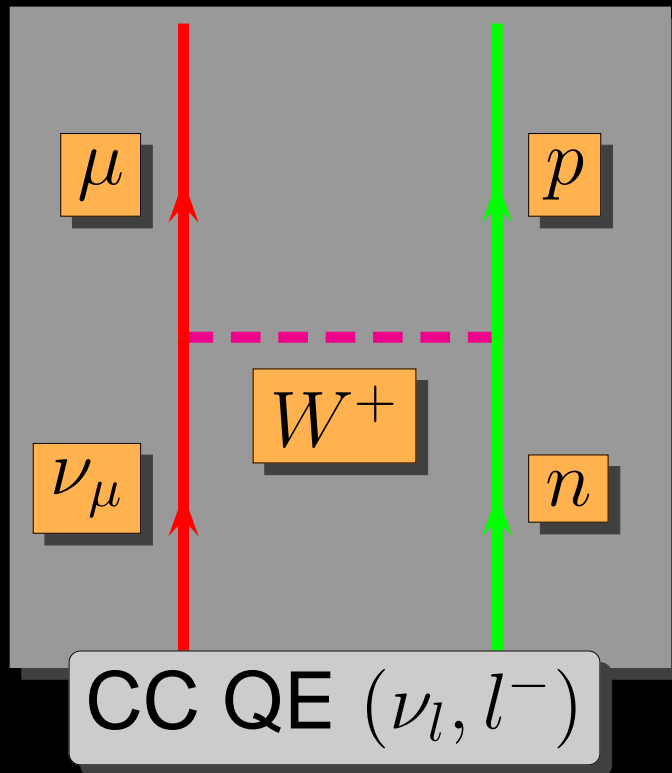
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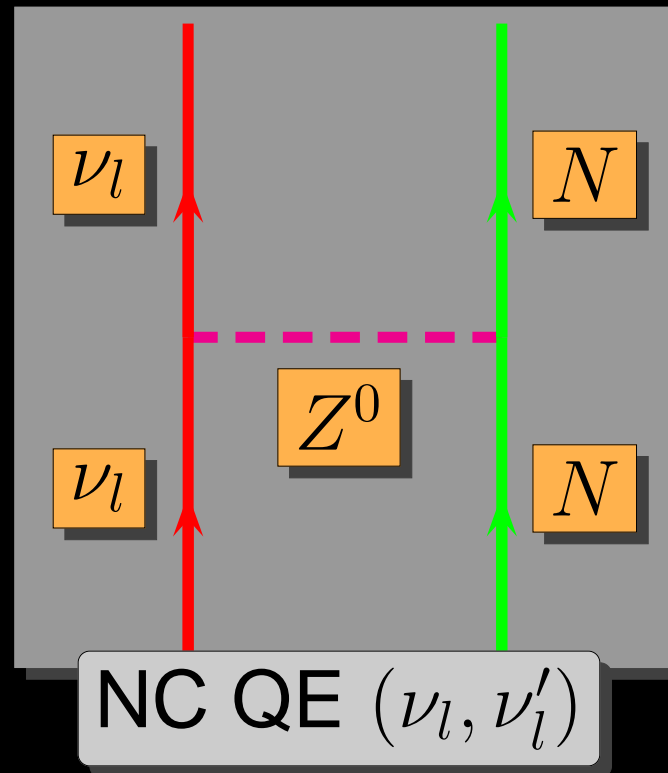
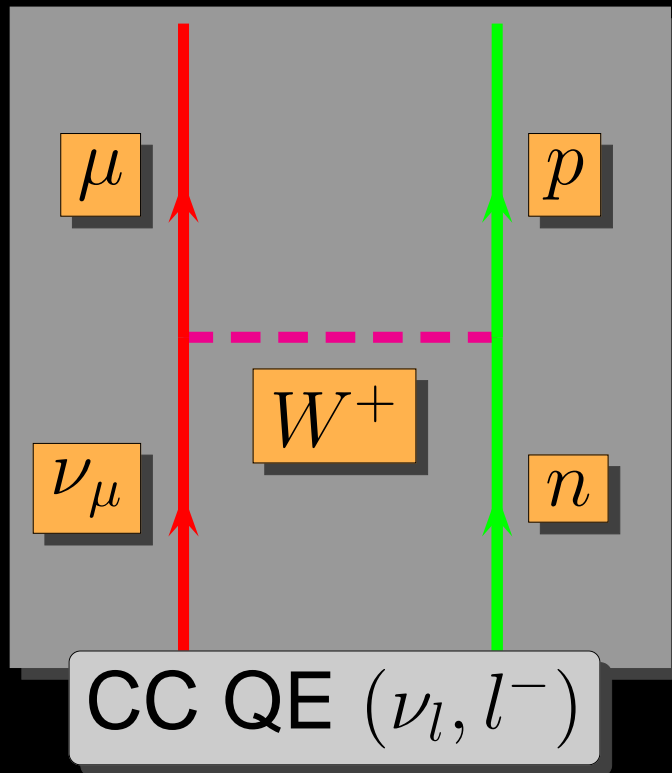
Overview - SuSA

- General formalism for neutrino scattering
- The Relativistic Fermi Gas (RFG)
- Super-Scaling Analysis (SuSA)
- The semi-relativistic shell model (SRSM)
- The relativistic mean field (RMF)
- Neutrino excitation of the Δ peak
- Neutral Current neutrino reactions
- SuSA predictions for the MiniBooNE QE cross section

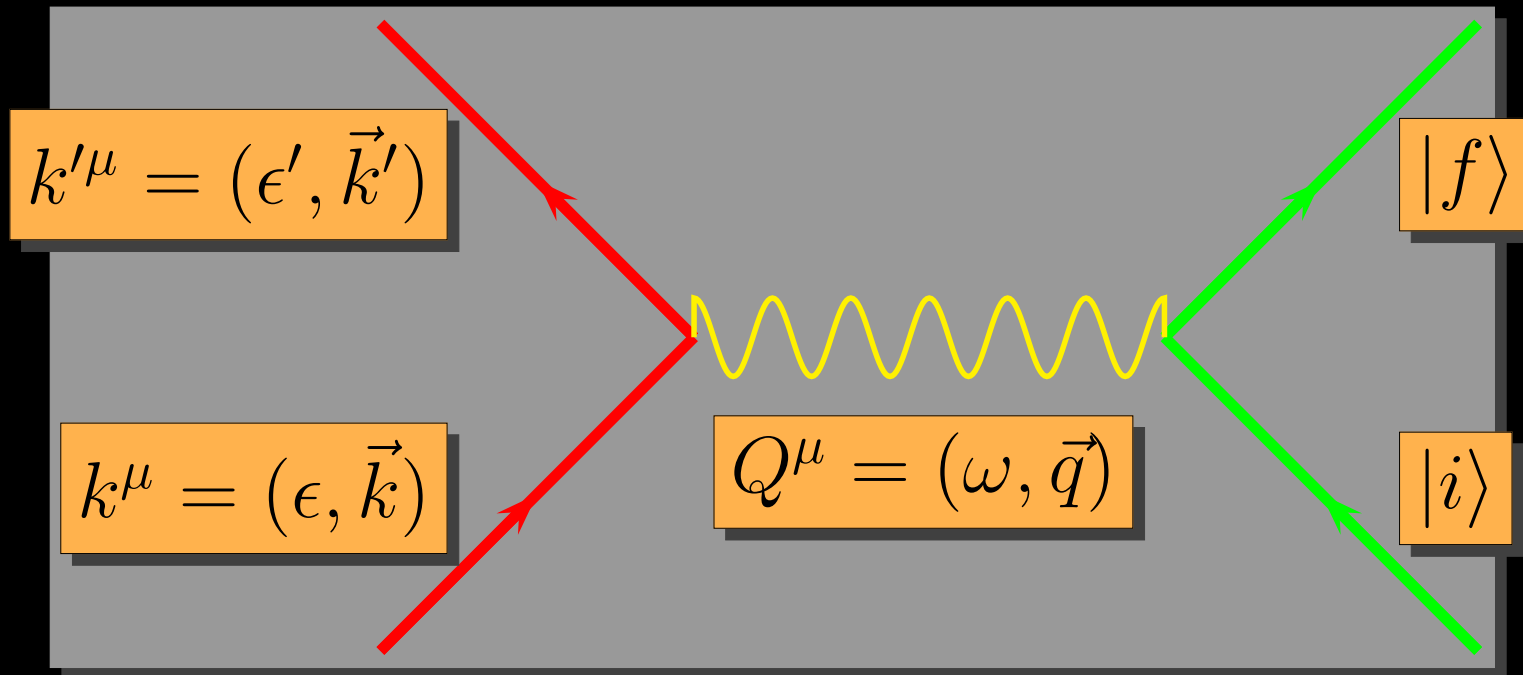
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Kinematics



$$Q^2 = \omega^2 - q^2 < 0$$

Adimensional variables

$$\lambda = \frac{\omega}{2m_N} \quad \kappa = \frac{q}{2m_N} \quad \tau = \kappa^2 - \lambda^2$$

Example: CC neutrino reaction

$$\nu + A \rightarrow l^- + B$$

Effective Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{eff} = \frac{G \cos \theta_c}{\sqrt{2}} j^\mu(x) \hat{J}_\mu(x)$$

Coupling constant: $G = 1.1664 \times 10^{-5} \text{GeV}^{-2}$

Cabibbo angle: $\theta_c = 0.974$

Leptonic current ($\nu \rightarrow l$): $j^\mu = \bar{u}_l(\mathbf{k}') \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) u_\nu(\mathbf{k})$

Hadronic current (single nucleon $n \rightarrow p$) is of the form $V - A$

$$\hat{J}_\mu = \bar{u}_p(\mathbf{p}') \left[F_1(Q^2) \gamma_\mu + F_2(Q^2) i \sigma_{\mu\nu} \frac{Q^\nu}{2m_N} - G_A(Q^2) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 - G_P(Q^2) \frac{Q_\mu}{2m_N} \gamma_5 \right] u_n(\mathbf{p})$$

Momentum transfer $Q^\mu = K^\mu - K'^\mu = P'^\mu - P^\mu$

Axial form factor $G_A = \frac{g_A}{1 - Q^2/M_A^2}$

$g_A = 1.26$, $M_A = 1032 \text{ MeV}$

Example: S -matrix element

Neutrino scattering with initial and final hadronic states $|i\rangle \rightarrow |f\rangle$
Transition matrix element to first order in the interaction

$$S_{fi} = -i \int d^4 \langle l, f | \mathcal{H}_{eff}(x) | \nu_l, i \rangle = -2\pi i \delta(E_f - E_i - \omega) \frac{G \cos \theta_c}{\sqrt{2}} l^\mu J_\mu$$

Lepton current matrix element

$$l^\mu = \left[\frac{m'}{V\epsilon'} \frac{m}{V\epsilon} \right]^{1/2} \bar{u}_l(\mathbf{k}') \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) u_\nu(\mathbf{k})$$

Hadronic current matrix element

$$J_\mu = \langle f | \hat{J}_\mu(\mathbf{q}) | i \rangle$$

Example: cross Section

Inclusive: only the final lepton is detected

$$d\sigma = \frac{\overline{\sum} |S_{fi}|^2}{T} \frac{V}{v_{rel}} \frac{V d^3 k'}{(2\pi)^3}$$

Performing the lepton traces

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega' d\epsilon'} = \frac{G^2 \cos^2 \theta_c k'}{4\pi^2 \epsilon} (s_{\mu\nu} + ia_{\mu\nu}) W^{\mu\nu}$$

Hadronic tensor

$$W^{\mu\nu} = \overline{\sum}_{fi} \delta(E_f - E_i - \omega) \langle f | J^\mu(\mathbf{q}) | i \rangle^* \langle f | J^\nu(\mathbf{q}) | i \rangle$$

Leptonic tensors

$$s^{\mu\nu} = 2P^\mu P^\nu - \frac{1}{2} Q^\mu Q^\nu + \frac{Q^2 - m'^2}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \quad P^\mu = \frac{K^\mu + K'^\mu}{2}$$
$$a^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} Q_\alpha P_\beta \quad Q^\mu = K^\mu - K'^\mu$$

(ν_l, l^-) formalism

Cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega' d\epsilon'} = \sigma_0 \mathcal{F}_+^2$$

Similar to σ_{Mott} :

$$\sigma_0 = \frac{G^2 \cos^2 \theta_c k' \epsilon' \cos^2 \frac{\tilde{\theta}}{2}}{2\pi^2}$$

Fermi constant:

$$G = 1.166 \times 10^{-11} \text{ MeV}^{-2}$$

Cabibbo angle:

$$\cos \theta_c = 0.975$$

Generalized scattering angle:

$$\tan^2 \frac{\tilde{\theta}}{2} = \frac{|Q^2|}{(\epsilon + \epsilon')^2 - q^2}$$

(ν_l, l^-) formalism (II)

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Adimensional variables:

$$\delta = \frac{m'}{\sqrt{|Q^2|}}$$

$$\rho = \frac{|Q^2|}{q^2}$$

$$\rho' = \frac{q}{\epsilon + \epsilon'}$$

The only dependence on the muon mass m' is in δ

(ν_l, l^-) formalism (III)

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$J^\mu(Q)$: the hadronic CC current operator

Nuclear Weak responses

Expand into vector and axial-vector contributions

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{CC} &= R_{CC}^{VV} + R_{CC}^{AA} & R_{CL} &= R_{CL}^{VV} + R_{CL}^{AA} \\
 R_{LL} &= R_{LL}^{VV} + R_{LL}^{AA} \\
 R_T &= R_T^{VV} + R_T^{AA} & R_{T'} &= R_{T'}^{VA}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$R_{CL}^{VV} = -\frac{\omega}{q} R_{CC}^{VV} \quad R_{LL}^{VV} = \frac{\omega^2}{q^2} R_{CC}^{VV} \quad \text{Conserved vector current}$$

$$\widehat{V}_{CC} R_{CC}^{VV} + 2\widehat{V}_{CL} R_{CL}^{VV} + \widehat{V}_{LL} R_{LL}^{VV} = \widehat{V}_L R_L^{VV} \equiv X_L^{VV} \quad \text{traditional longitudinal contribution}$$

$$\widehat{V}_{CC} R_{CC}^{AA} + 2\widehat{V}_{CL} R_{CL}^{AA} + \widehat{V}_{LL} R_{LL}^{AA} \equiv X_{C/L}^{AA} \quad \text{Collapse does not occur for the AA terms.}$$

$$\widehat{V}_T [R_T^{VV} + R_T^{AA}] \equiv X_T \quad \text{Transverse components}$$

$$2\widehat{V}_{T'} R_{T'}^{VA} \equiv X_{T'} \quad \text{V/A interference term}$$

$$\text{Full response: } \mathcal{F}_{\pm}^2 = X_L^{VV} + X_{C/L}^{AA} + X_T \pm X_{T'}$$

2 The relativistic Fermi gas (RFG)

Nuclear response functions for (ν_μ, μ^-) reactions

$$R_K = N\Lambda_0 U_K f_{RFG}(\psi), \quad K = CC, CL, LL, T, T',$$

- N is the neutron number,

- $\Lambda_0 = \frac{\xi_F}{m_N \eta_F^3 \kappa}, \quad \eta_F = k_F / m_N, \quad \xi_F = \sqrt{1 + \eta_F^2} - 1.$

- Scaling function $f_{RFG}(\psi) = \frac{3}{4}(1 - \psi^2)\theta(1 - \psi^2)$

- Scaling variable

$$\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi_F}} \frac{\lambda - \tau}{\sqrt{(1 + \lambda)\tau + \kappa\sqrt{\tau(1 + \tau)}}}$$

- single-nucleon responses U_K

Single-nucleon responses, $K = CC$

$$U_{CC} = U_{CC}^V + (U_{CC}^A)_{c.} + (U_{CC}^A)_{n.c.}$$

$$U_{CC}^V = \frac{\kappa^2}{\tau} \left[(2G_E^V)^2 + \frac{(2G_E^V)^2 + \tau(2G_M^V)^2}{1 + \tau} \Delta \right],$$

$$\Delta = \frac{\tau}{\kappa^2} \xi_F (1 - \psi^2) \left[\kappa \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{\tau}} + \frac{\xi_F}{3} (1 - \psi^2) \right]$$

The axial-vector response is the sum of conserved (c.) plus non conserved (n.c.) parts,

$$(U_{CC}^A)_{c.} = \frac{\kappa^2}{\tau} G_A^2 \Delta, \quad (U_{CC}^A)_{n.c.} = \frac{\lambda^2}{\tau} G_A'^2.$$

Single-nucleon responses, $K = CL, LL$

$$U_{CL} = U_{CL}^V + (U_{CL}^A)_{c.} + (U_{CL}^A)_{n.c.}$$

$$U_{LL} = U_{LL}^V + (U_{LL}^A)_{c.} + (U_{LL}^A)_{n.c.} ,$$

The vector and conserved axial-vector parts are determined by current conservation

$$U_{CL}^V = -\frac{\lambda}{\kappa} U_{CC}^V \quad (U_{CL}^A)_{c.} = -\frac{\lambda}{\kappa} (U_{CC}^A)_{c.}$$

$$U_{LL}^V = \frac{\lambda^2}{\kappa^2} U_{CC}^V \quad (U_{LL}^A)_{c.} = \frac{\lambda^2}{\kappa^2} (U_{CC}^A)_{c.} ,$$

Non-conserved n.c. parts:

$$(U_{CL}^A)_{n.c.} = -\frac{\lambda\kappa}{\tau} G_A'^2 , \quad (U_{LL}^A)_{n.c.} = \frac{\kappa^2}{\tau} G_A'^2 .$$

Single-nucleon responses, $K = T, T'$

$$U_T = U_T^V + U_T^A$$

$$U_T^V = 2\tau(2G_M^V)^2 + \frac{(2G_E^V)^2 + \tau(2G_M^V)^2}{1 + \tau} \Delta$$

$$U_T^A = 2(1 + \tau)G_A^2 + G_A^2 \Delta$$

$$U_{T'} = 2G_A(2G_M^V) \sqrt{\tau(1 + \tau)} [1 + \tilde{\Delta}]$$

with

$$\tilde{\Delta} = \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{1 + \tau}} \frac{\xi_F(1 - \psi^2)}{2\kappa}.$$

3 Super-Scaling Analysis (SuSA)

Scaling in the RFG (Relativistic Fermi gas)

$$R_K = G_K f_{RFG}(\psi)$$

Functions G_K from the RFG for electrons ($K = L, T$) and neutrinos $K = CC, CL, LL, T, T'$.

Scaling function in the RFG

$$f_{RFG}(\psi) = \frac{3}{4}(1 - \psi^2)\theta(1 - \psi^2)$$

Scaling variable:

$$\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi_F}} \frac{\lambda - \tau}{\sqrt{(1 + \lambda)\tau + \kappa\sqrt{\tau(1 + \tau)}}$$

Experimental scaling function from (e, e')

$$f(\psi') = \frac{\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega' d\epsilon'} \right)_{exp}}{\sigma_{Mott}(v_L G_L + v_T G_T)}$$

$$\text{shifted} \longrightarrow \psi' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi_F}} \frac{\lambda' - \tau'}{\sqrt{(1 + \lambda')\tau' + \kappa\sqrt{\tau'(1 + \tau')}}}$$

$$\lambda' = (\omega - E_s)/2m_N, \quad \tau' = \kappa^2 - \lambda'^2$$

k_F y E_s are fitted to the data

$$f_L = \frac{R_L}{G_L} \text{Longitudinal} \quad f_T = \frac{R_T}{G_T} \text{Transverse}$$

Superscaling

- Plot the experimental $f(\psi')$ versus ψ' for different kinematics and nuclei
- Fit E_s and k_F to get scaling (one universal scaling function)

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1st kind
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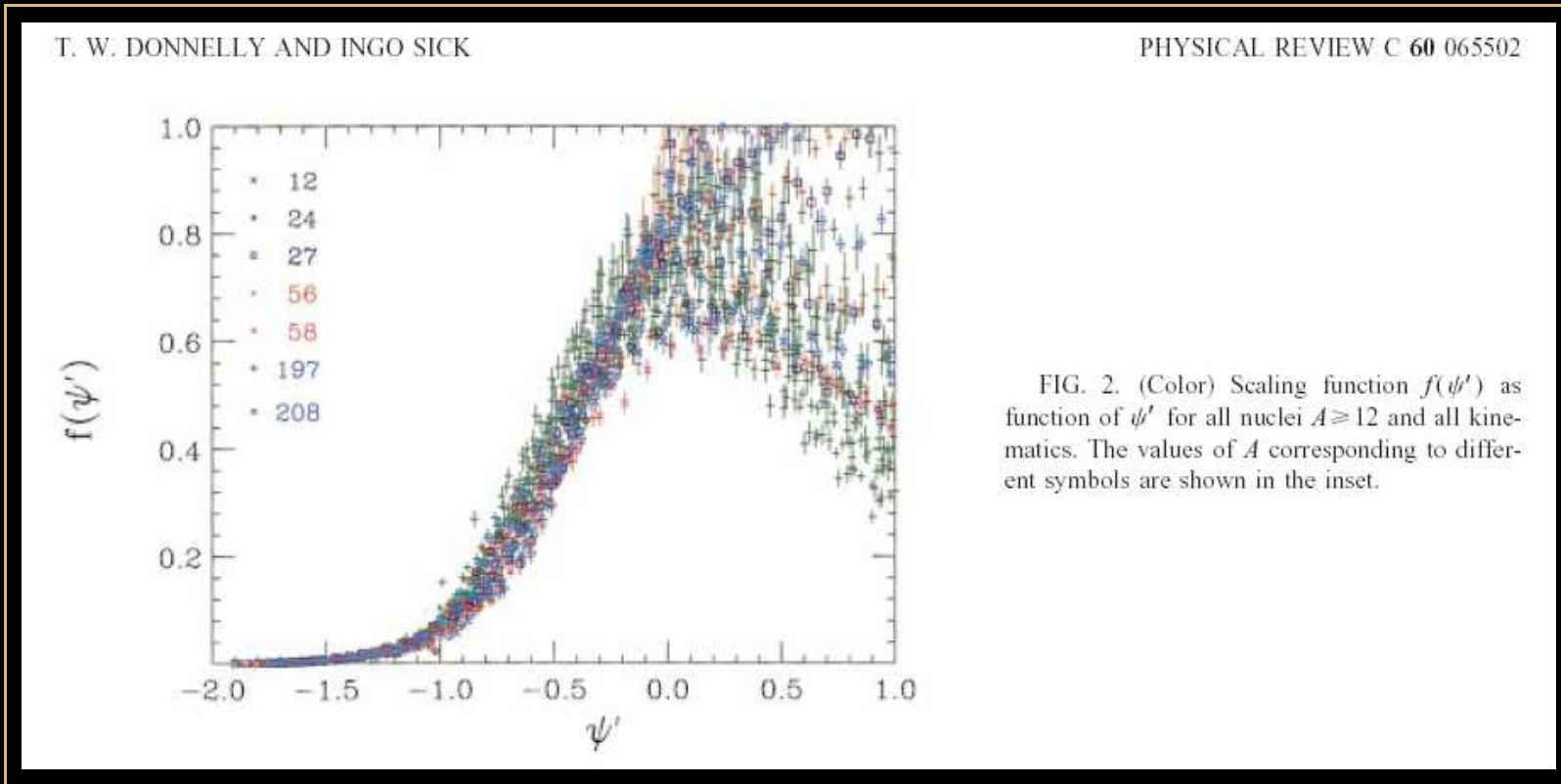
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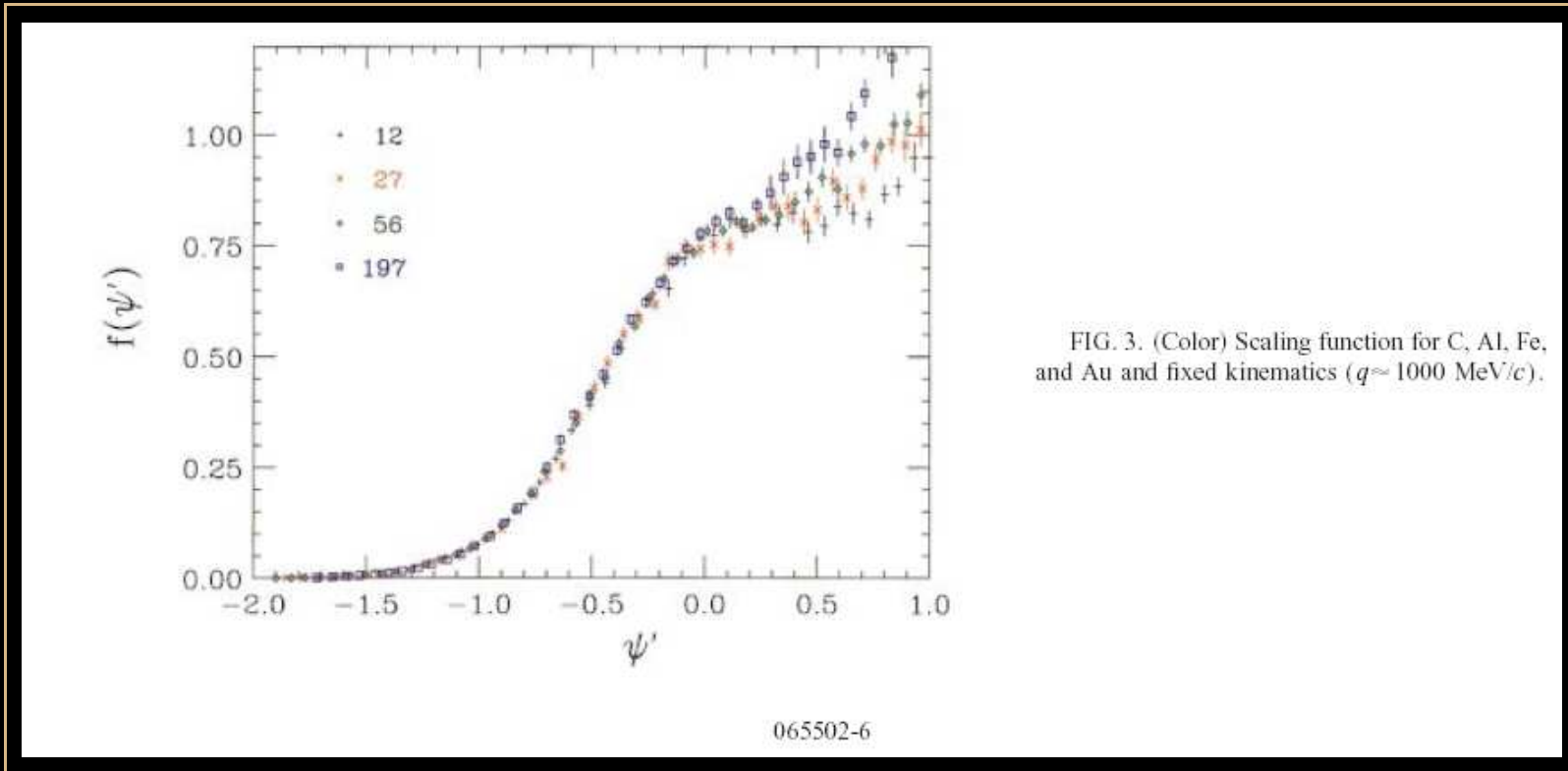
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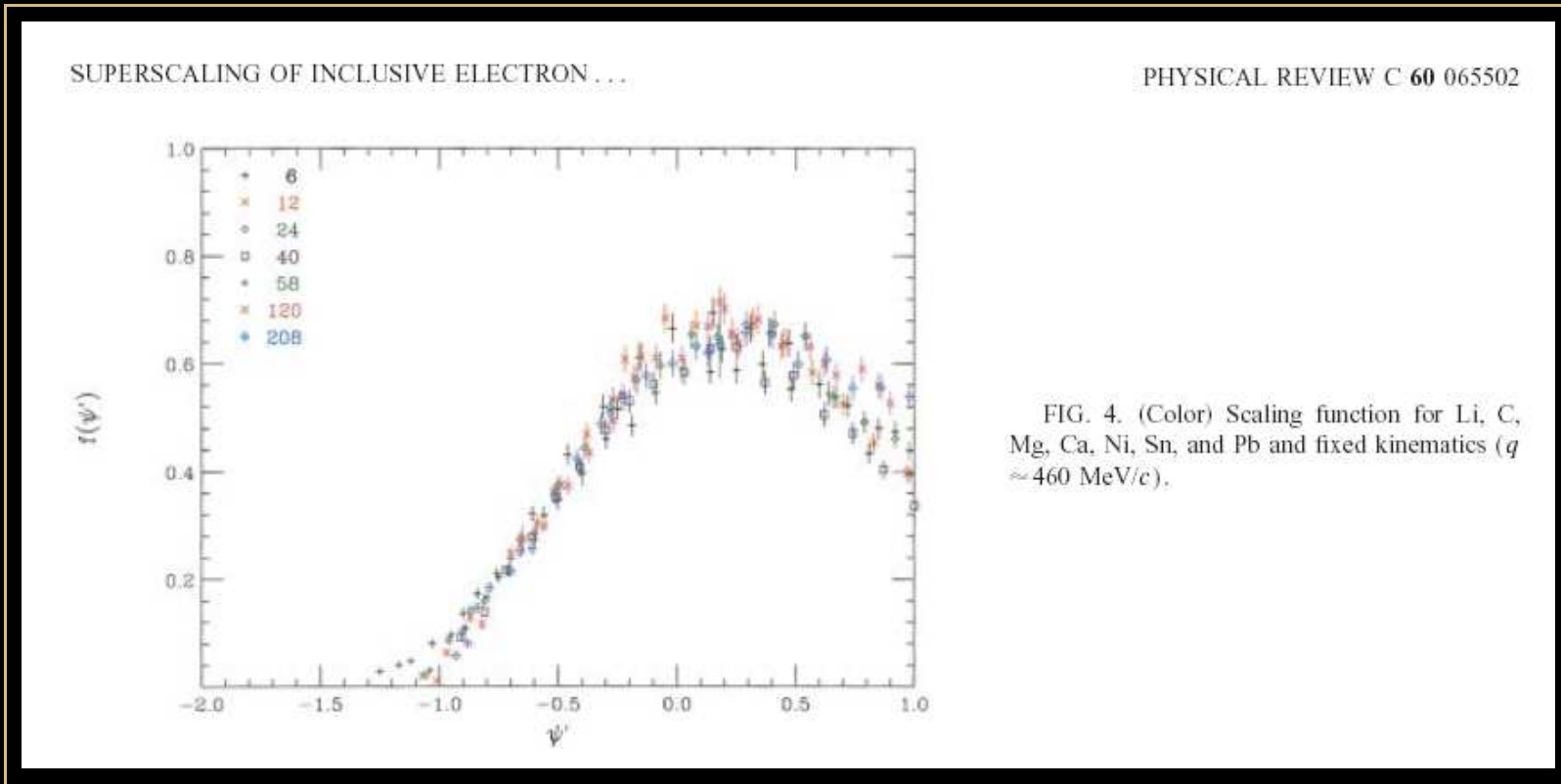
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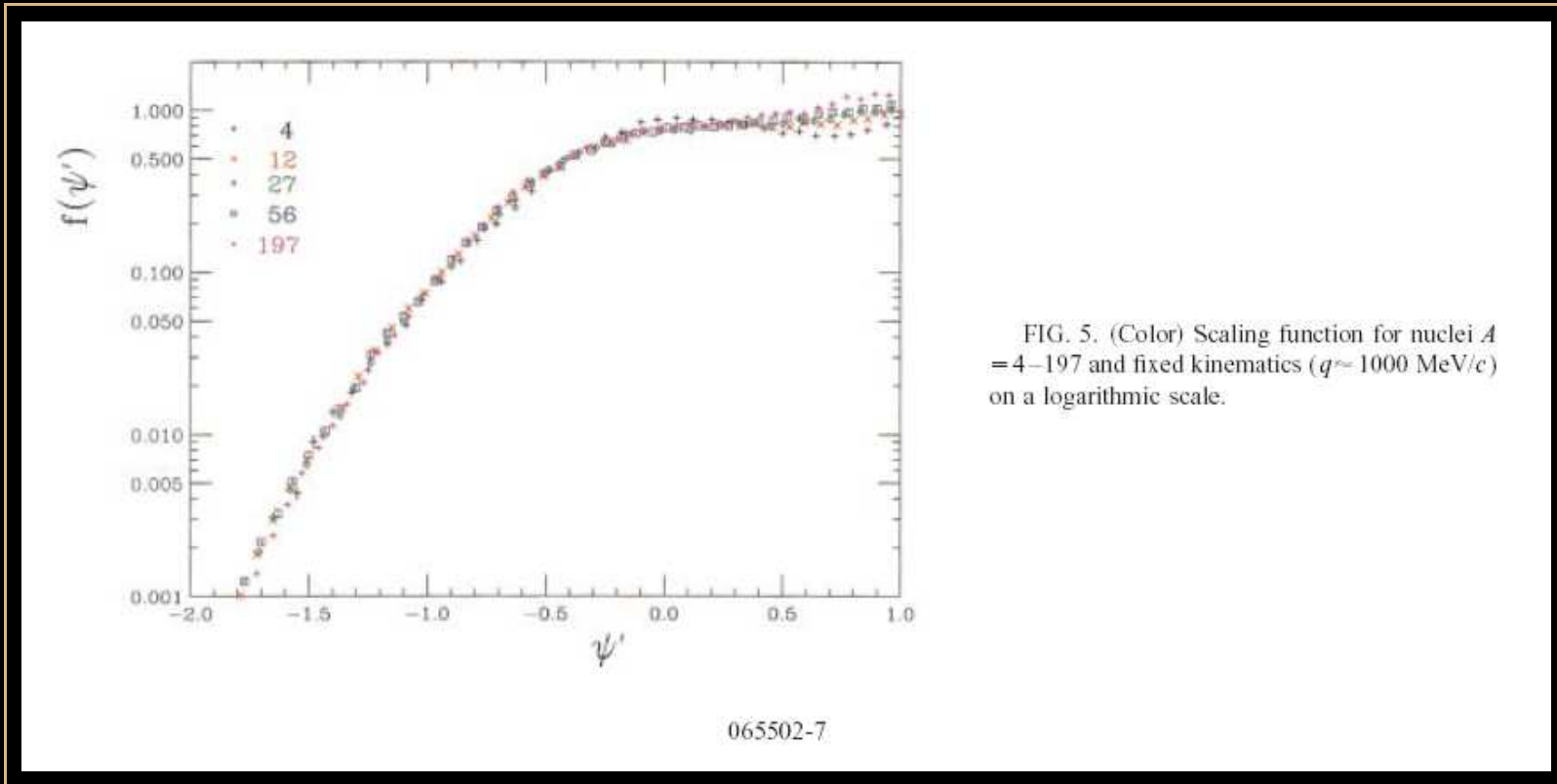
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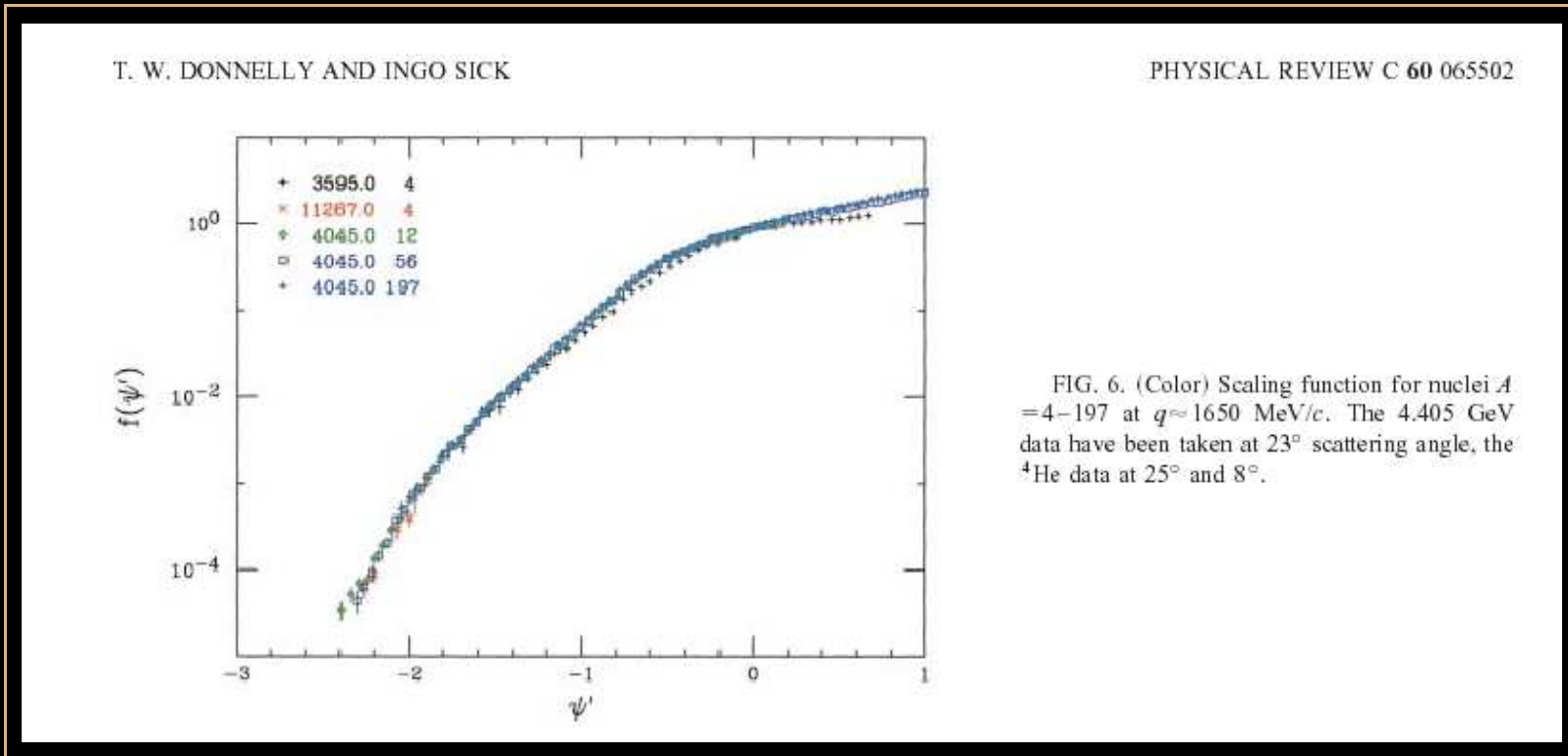
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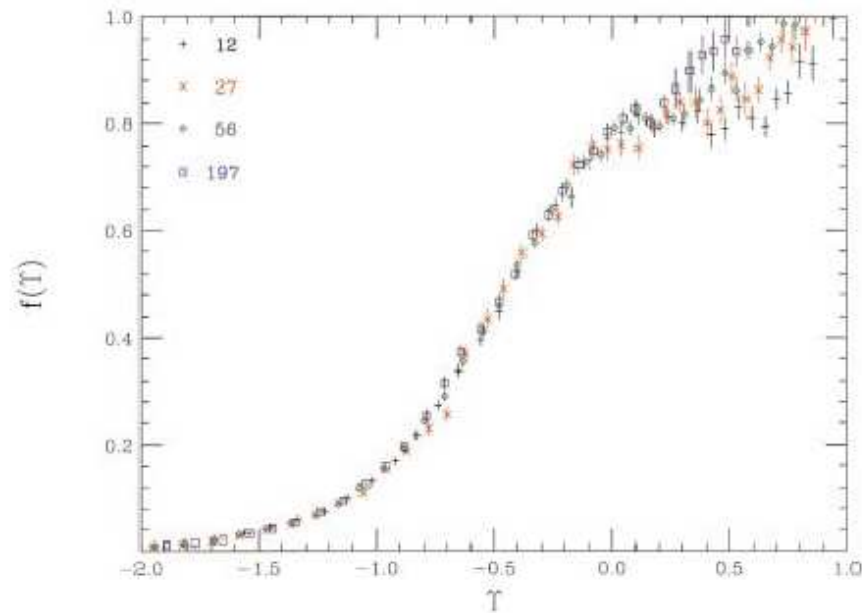
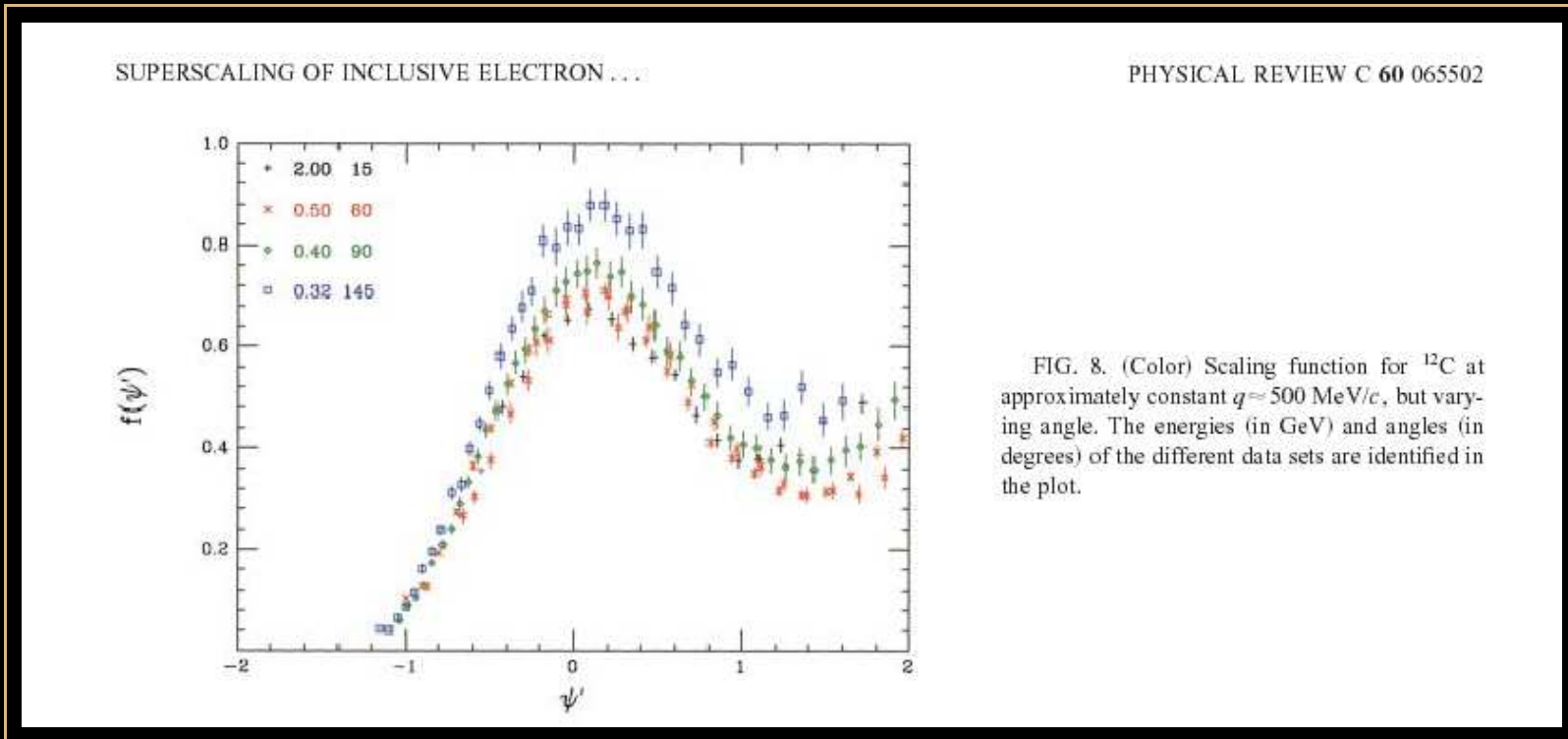


FIG. 7. (Color) Scaling function $f(Y)$ for nuclei $A=12-197$ at 3.6 GeV energy and 16° scattering angle as a function of the scaling variable Y .

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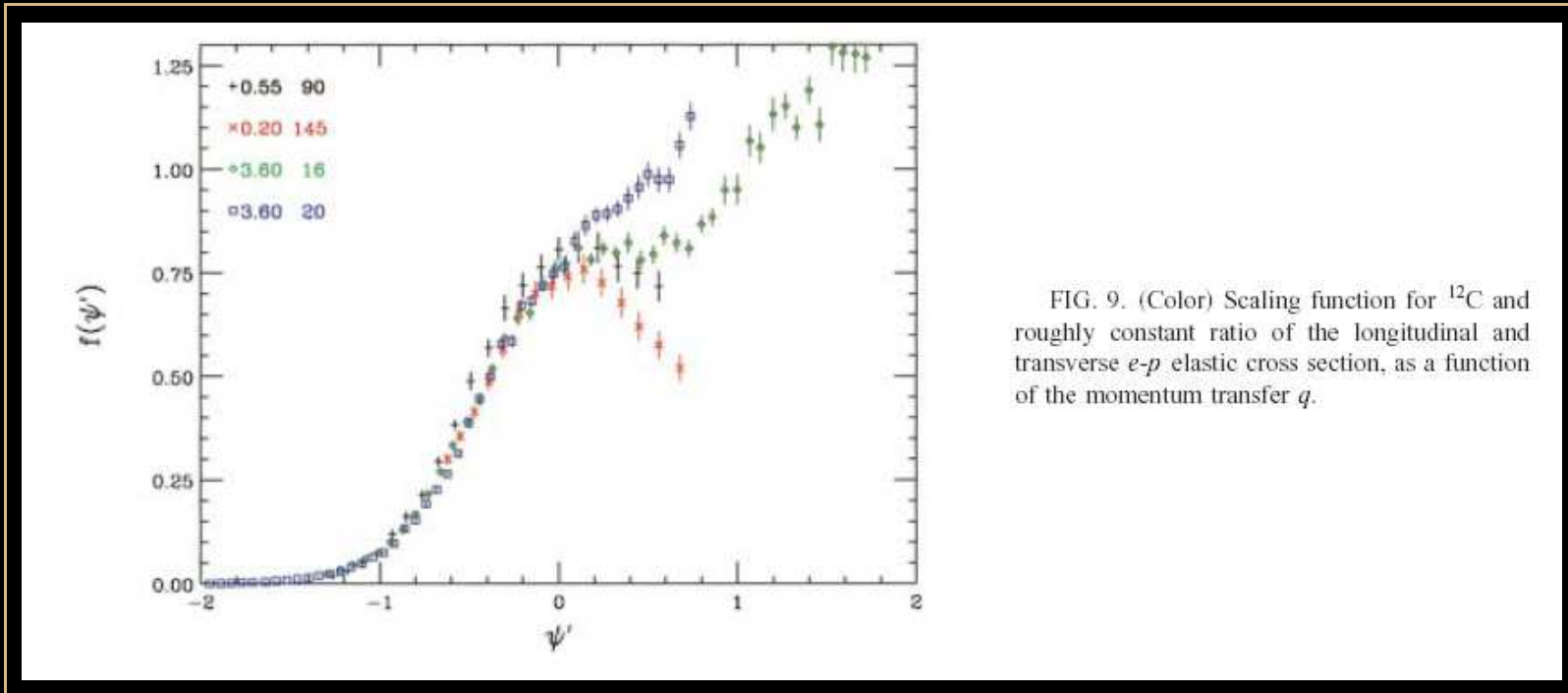
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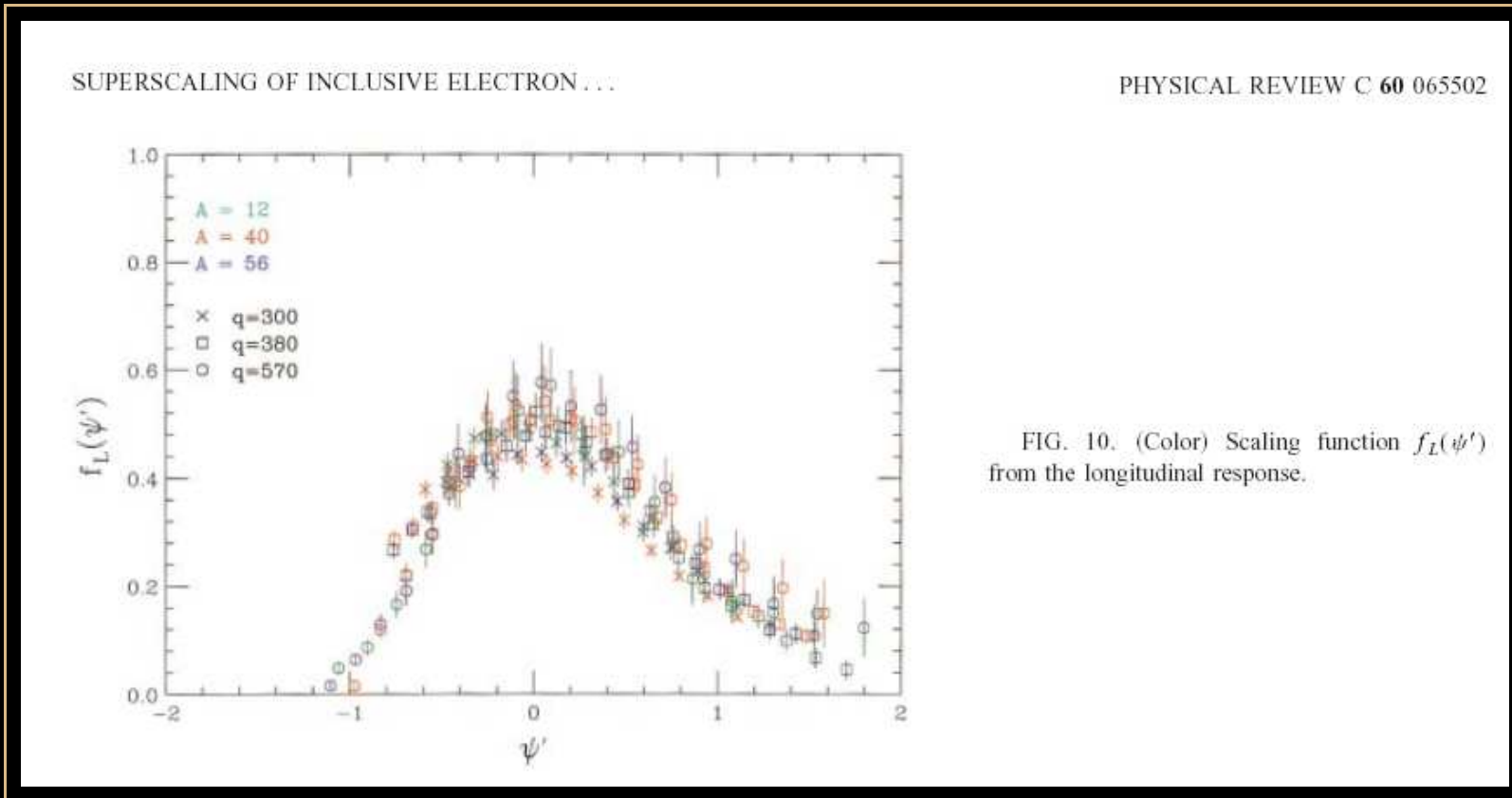
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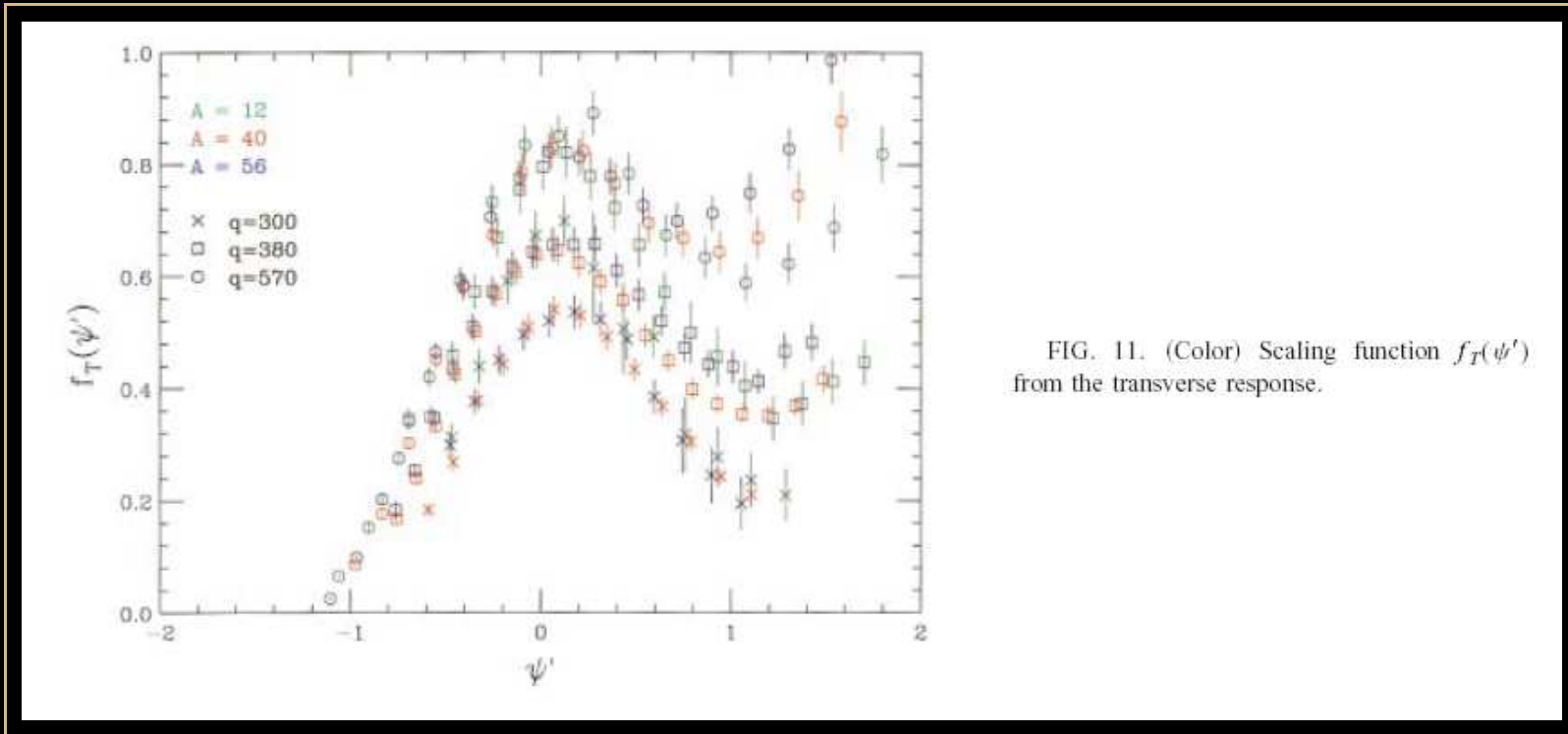
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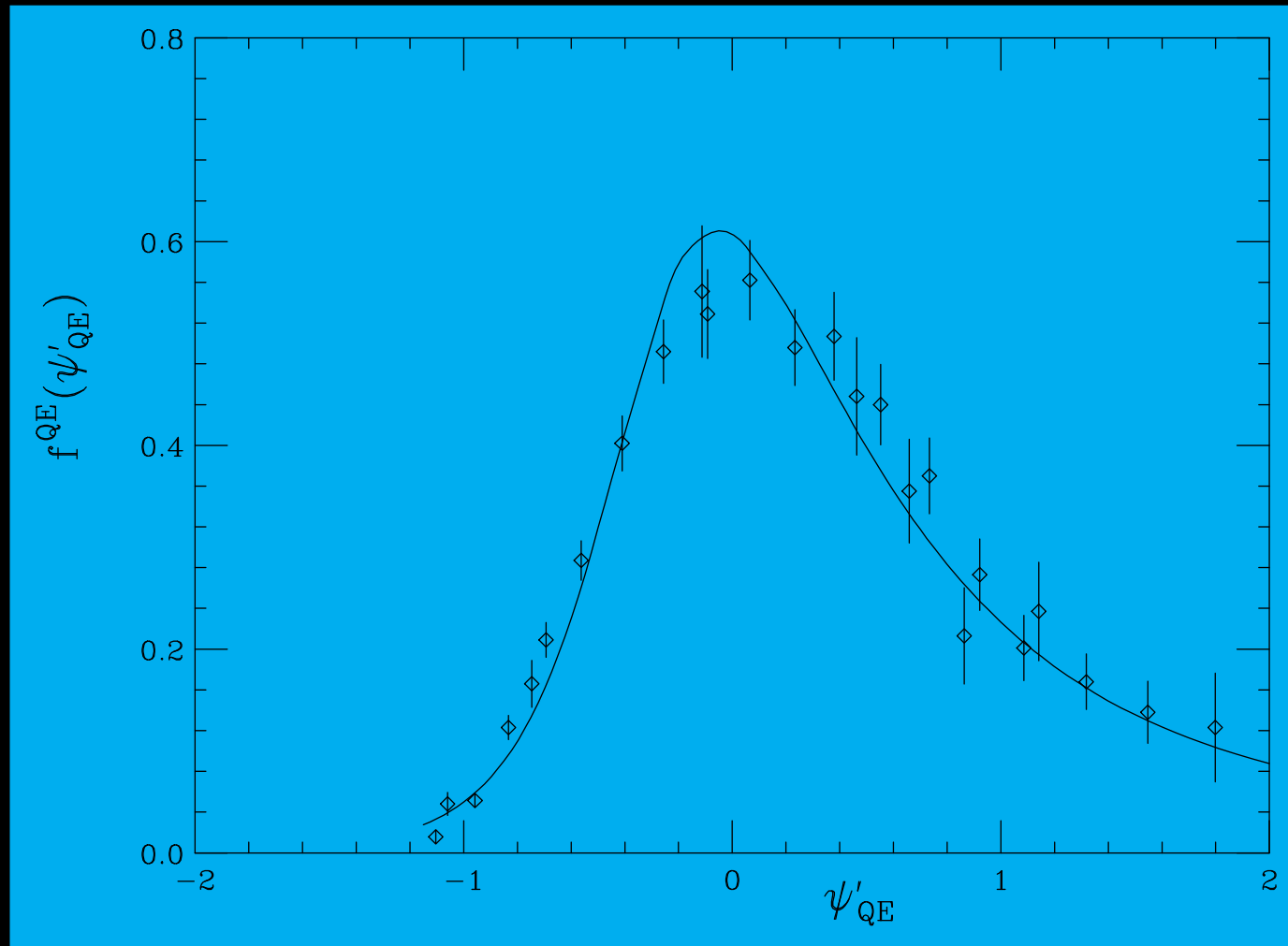
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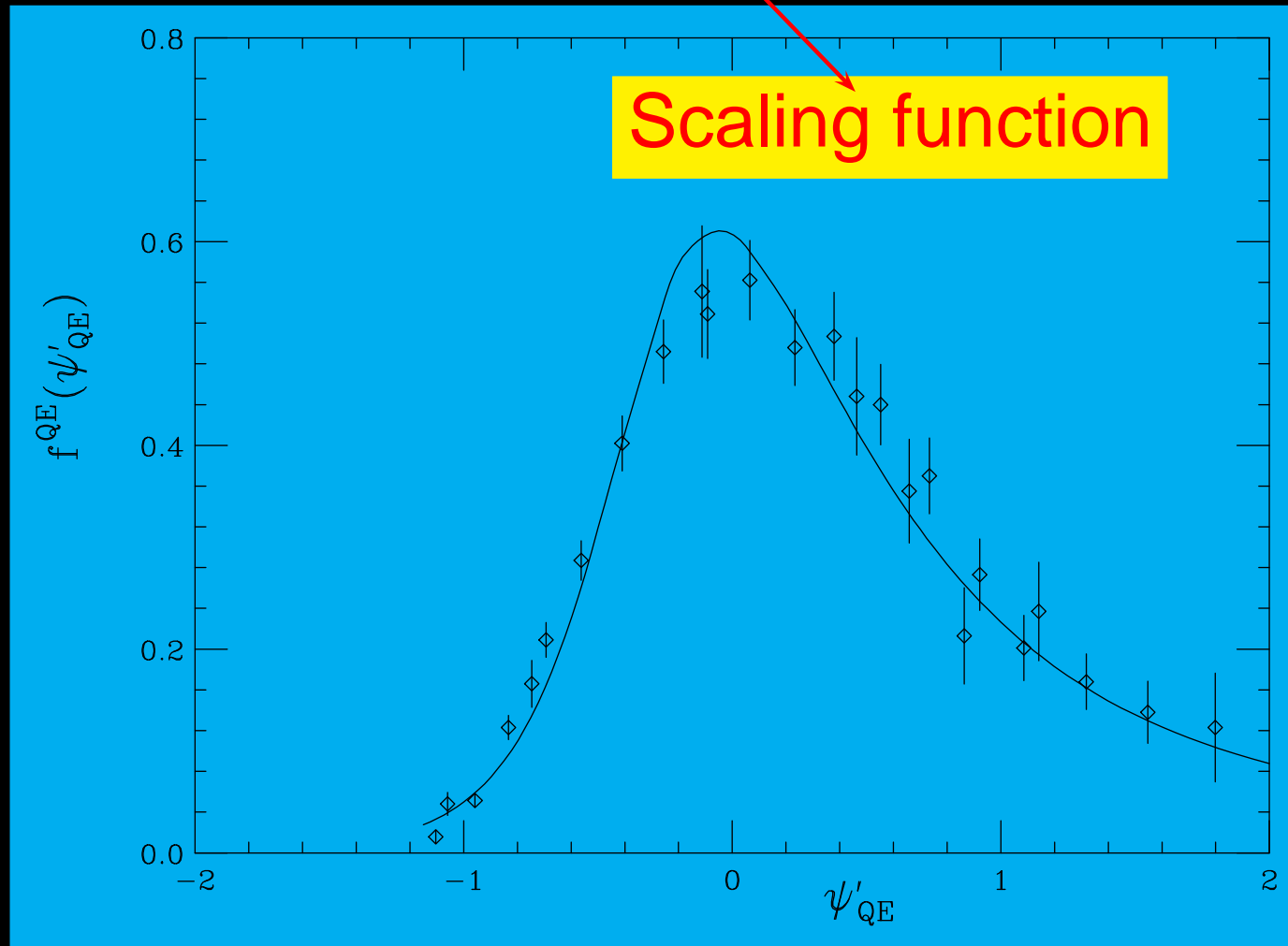
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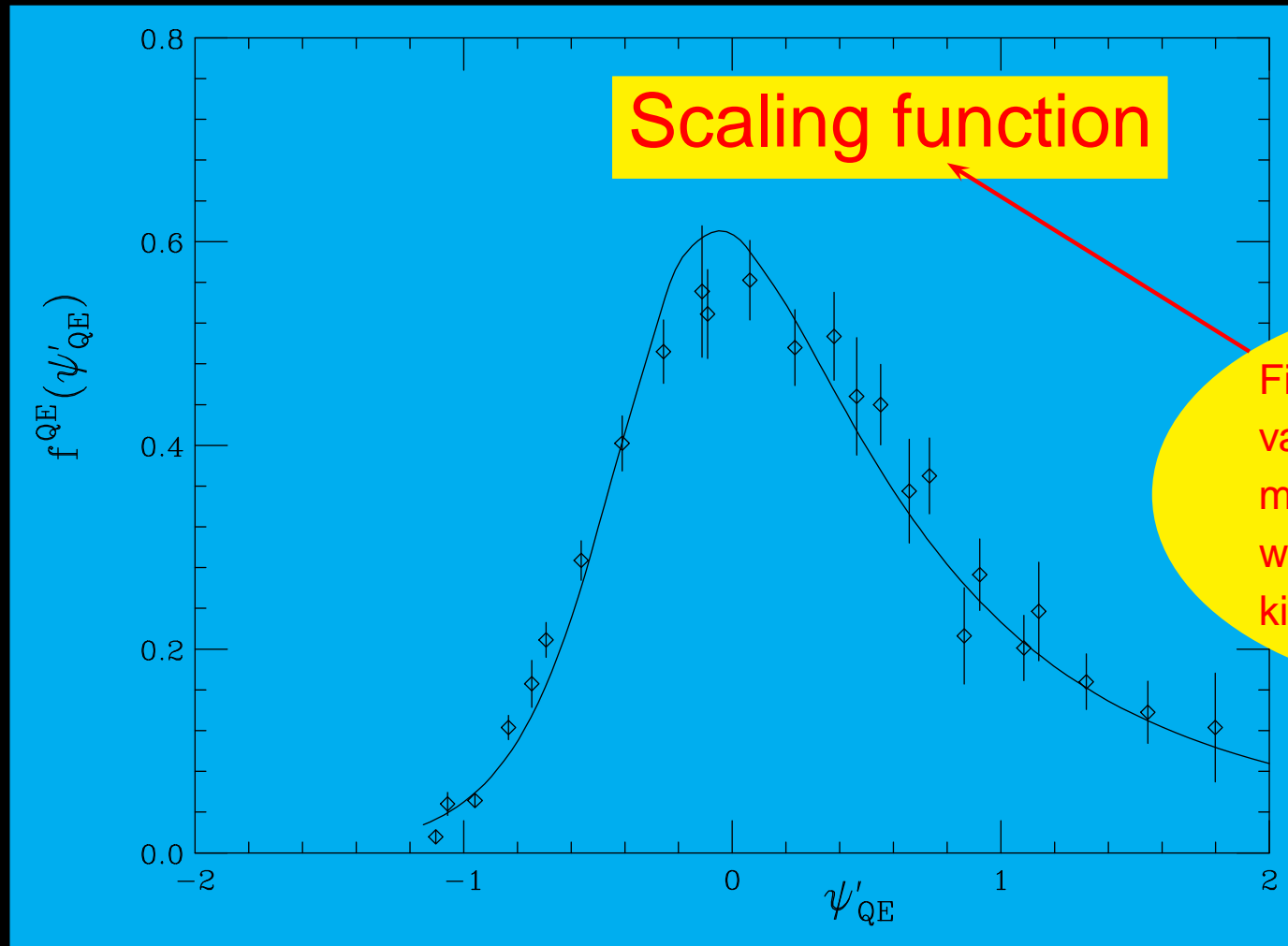
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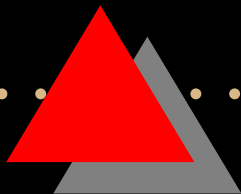


Fitted to the set of f_L values for the higher momentum transfer where scaling of the first kind is seen to occur



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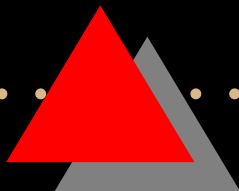
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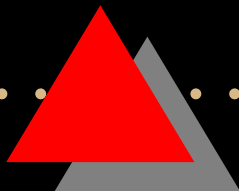
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- Needed to justify theoretically the validity of SuSA



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The continuum shell-model (CSM)

- Closed-shell nuclei ^{12}C , ^{16}O and ^{40}Ca ,
- Initial state $|i\rangle$: Slater determinant with all shells occupied.
- Impulse approximation: final states are particle-hole excitations coupled to total angular momentum

$$|f\rangle = |(ph^{-1})J\rangle$$

- Single hole wave function $|h\rangle = |\epsilon_h l_h j_h\rangle$
- Single particle wave function $|p\rangle = |\epsilon_p l_p j_p\rangle$
- Obtained by solving the Schrödinger equation

Woods-Saxon potential

$$V(r) = -V_0 f(r, R_0, a_0) + \frac{V_{ls}}{m_{\pi}^2 r} \frac{df(r, R_0, a_0)}{dr} \mathbf{l} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} + V_C(r)$$

$$f(r, R, a) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{(r-R)/a}}$$

$V_C(r)$: Coulomb potential.

	V_0^p	V_{LS}^p	V_0^n	V_{LS}^n	r_0	a_0
^{12}C	62.0	3.20	60.00	3.15	1.25	0.57
^{16}O	52.5	7.00	52.50	6.54	1.27	0.53
^{40}Ca	57.5	11.11	55.00	8.50	1.20	0.53

The SR approach

A

EXPAND THE RELATIVISTIC SINGLE-NUCLEON CURRENT

$$j^\mu(\vec{p}', \vec{p}) = \bar{u}(\vec{p}') \Gamma^\mu(Q) u(\vec{p})$$

in powers of $\vec{\eta} = \vec{p}/m_N$. to first order $O(\eta)$

Not expand in \vec{p}'/m_N .

$\implies q, \omega$ can be large

Relativistic kinematics

B

USE RELATIVISTIC KINEMATICS.

- The energy transfer is the difference between the (non-relativistic) single-particle energies of particle and hole $\omega = \epsilon_p - \epsilon_h$.
- The relativistic kinematics are taken into account by the substitution

$$\epsilon_p \rightarrow \epsilon_p(1 + \epsilon_p/2m_N)$$

as the eigenvalue of the Schrödinger equation for the particle

The SR vector current

$$J_V^0 = \xi_0 + i\xi'_0(\boldsymbol{\kappa} \times \boldsymbol{\eta}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$
$$\mathbf{J}_V^\perp = \xi_1 \boldsymbol{\eta}^\perp + i\xi'_1 \boldsymbol{\sigma} \times \boldsymbol{\kappa},$$

(q, ω) -dependent factors:

$$\xi_0 = \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\tau}} 2G_E^V, \quad \xi'_0 = \frac{2G_M^V - G_E^V}{\sqrt{1 + \tau}}$$
$$\xi'_1 = 2G_M^V \frac{\sqrt{\tau}}{\kappa}, \quad \xi_1 = 2G_E^V \frac{\sqrt{\tau}}{\kappa}$$

provide the required relativistic behavior.

The longitudinal component is given from vector current conservation, $J_V^3 = \frac{\lambda}{\kappa} J_V^0$.

The SR axial-vector current

$$\mathbf{J}_A^\perp = \zeta_1' \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\perp, \quad \zeta_1' = \sqrt{1 + \tau G_A}.$$

Transverse

Neglect the terms of order $O(\eta)$

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Time component

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Longitudinal component

$$\zeta_0' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau}} \frac{\lambda}{\kappa} G_A', \quad \zeta_0'' = \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\tau}} \left[G_A - \frac{\lambda^2}{\kappa^2 + \kappa \sqrt{\tau(\tau + 1)}} G_A' \right]$$

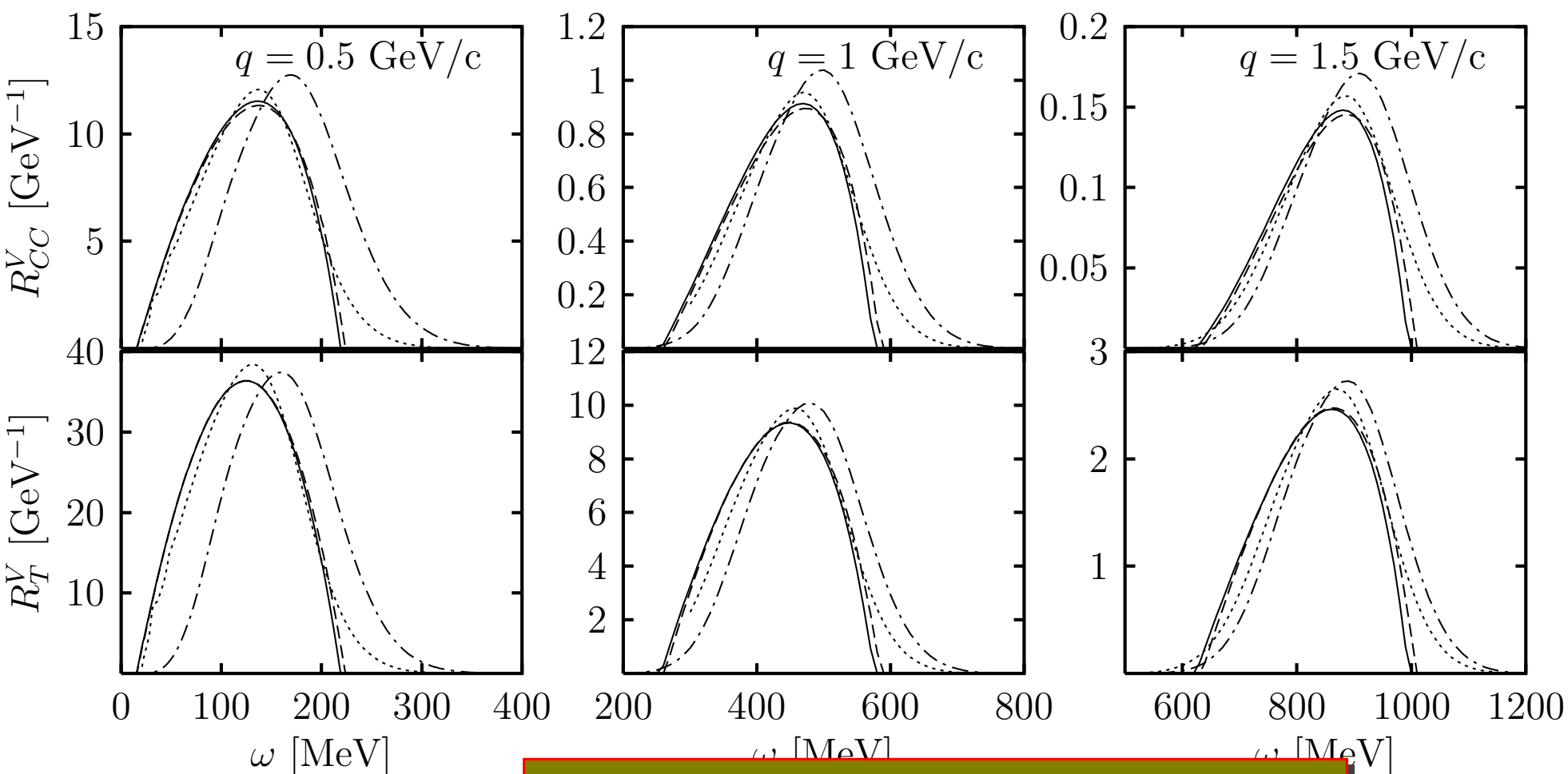
$$\zeta_3' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau}} G_A', \quad \zeta_3'' = \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\tau}} \left[G_A - \frac{\kappa}{\kappa + \sqrt{\tau(\tau + 1)}} G_A' \right]$$

$G_A' = G_A - \tau G_P$ small due to cancellations

The $O(\eta)$ term, proportional to $\vec{\eta}^\perp \cdot \vec{\sigma}$ is dominant

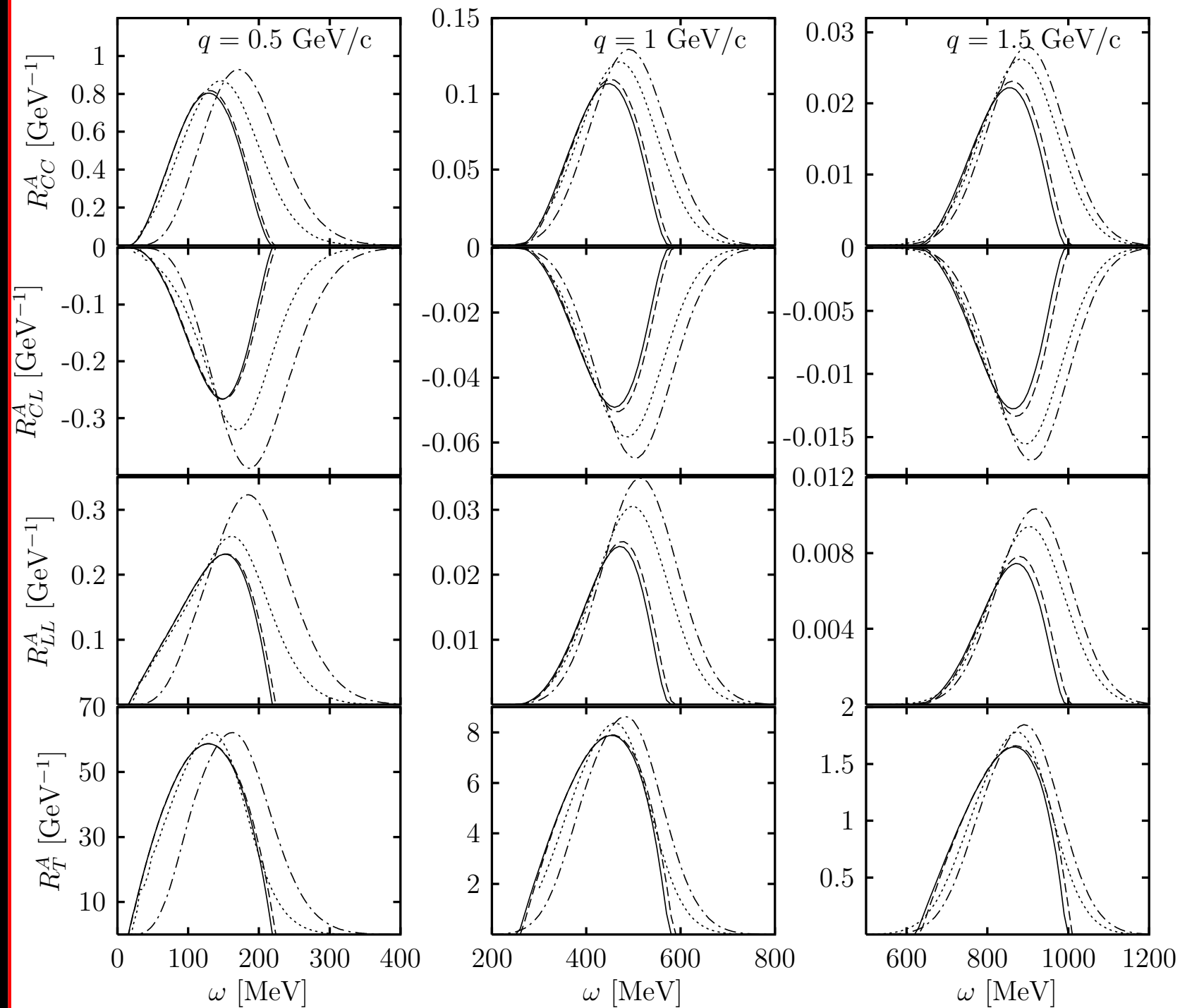
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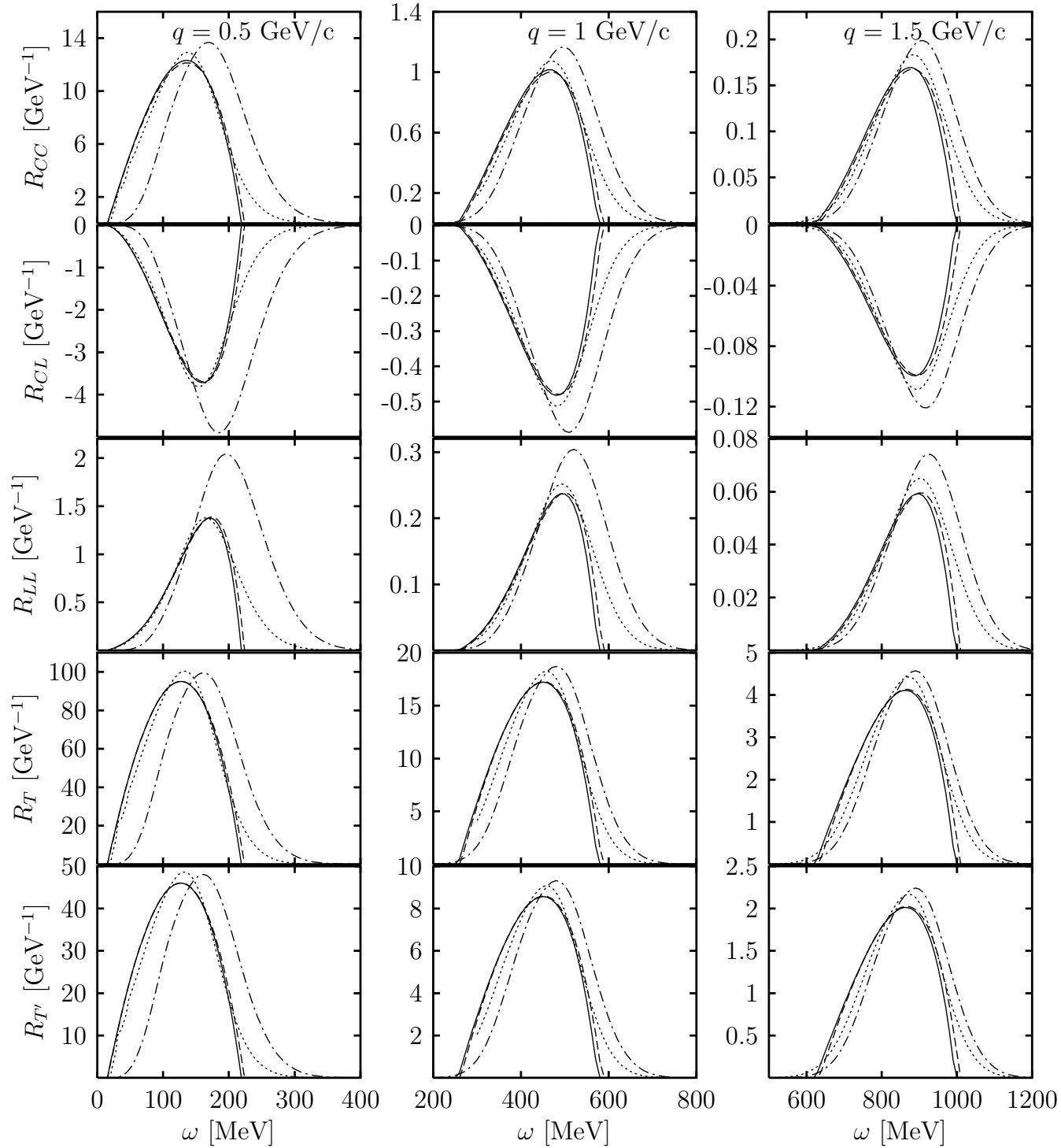
V responses

 $k_F = 220 \text{ MeV}/c$


Solid lines: RFG Dashed lines: SRFG
 Dotted: CSM Dot-dashed: PWIA.

A responses



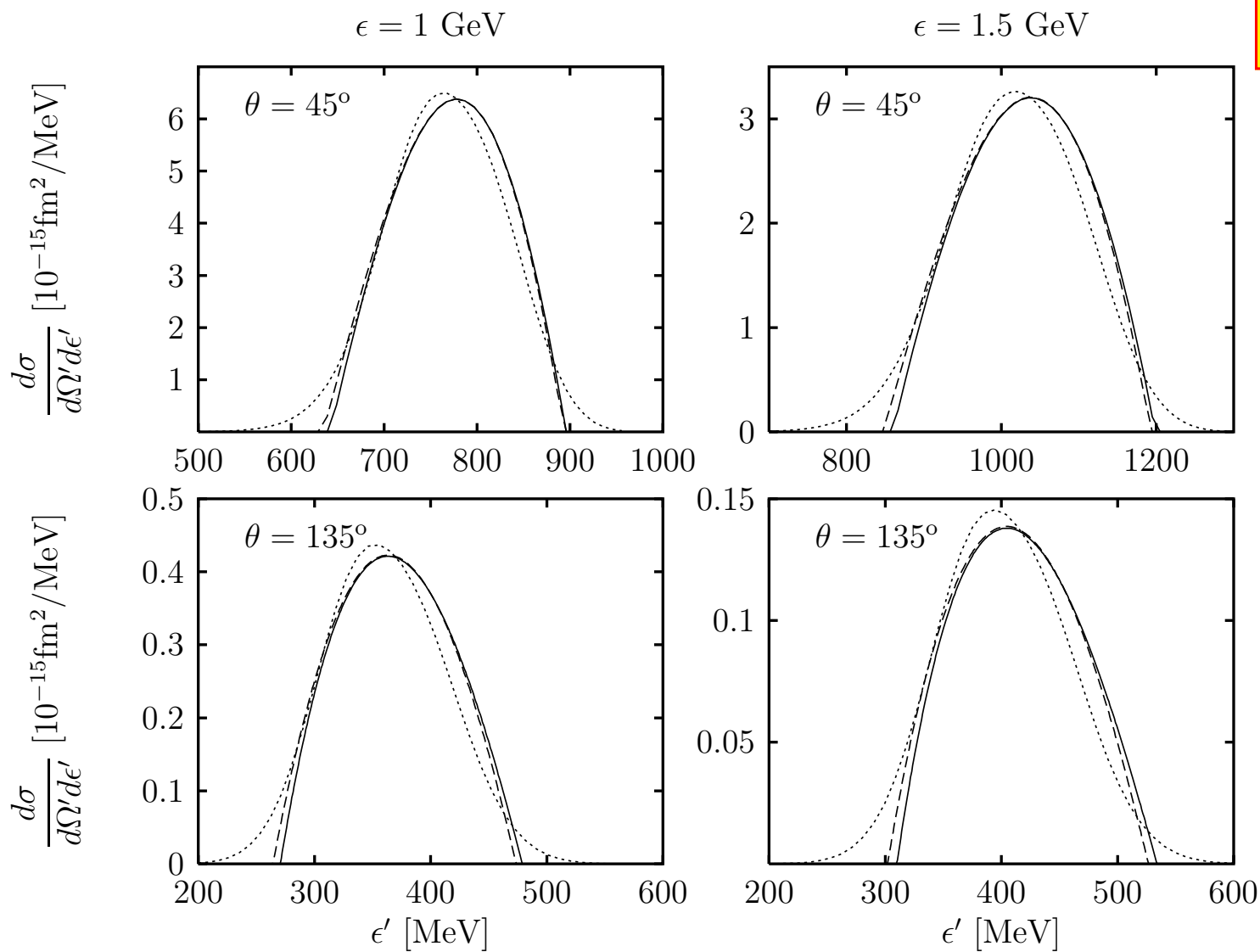


Total responses

Test of the SR approach:

Cross section

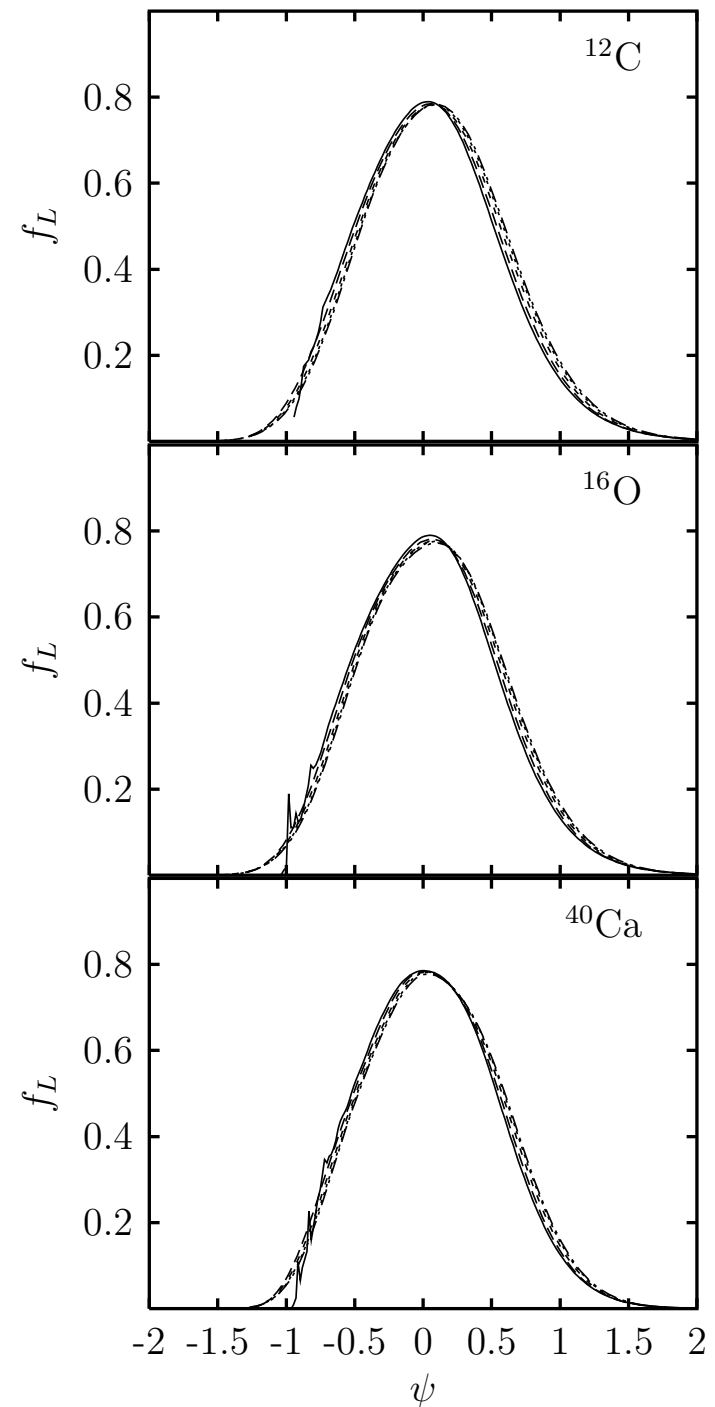
$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_{\mu}, \mu^{-})$



Scaling of the first kind

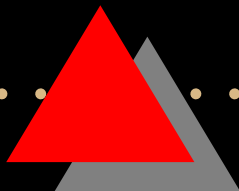
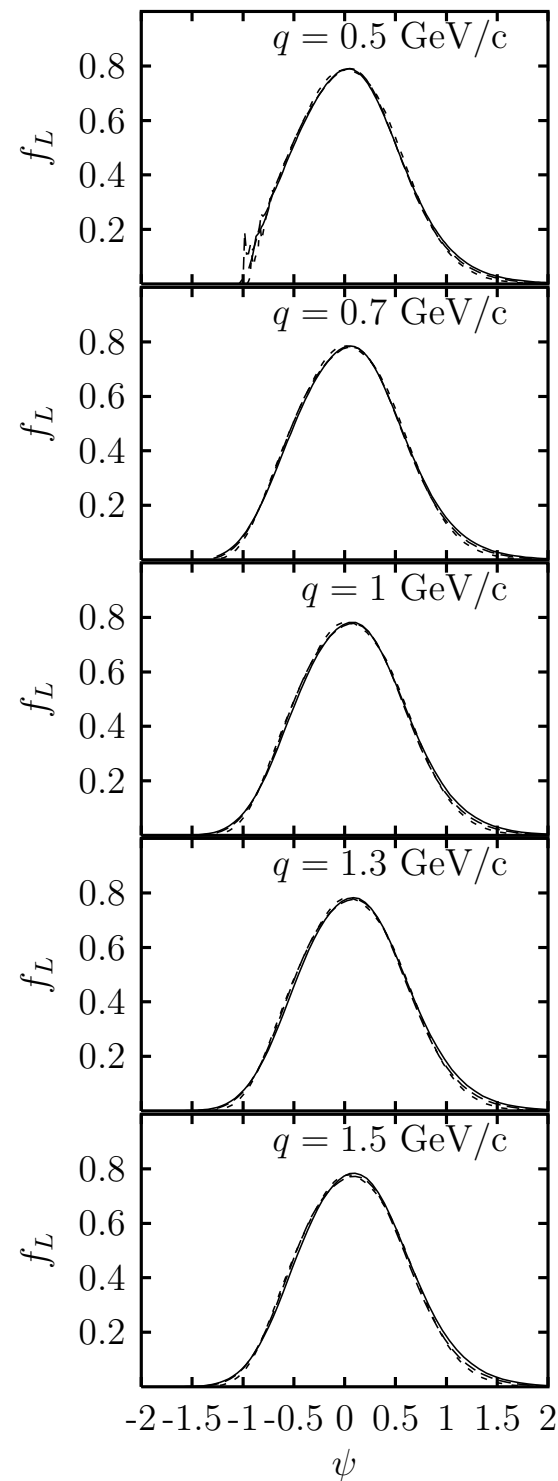
SR Shell model

Curves for
 $q = 0.5, 0.7, 1, 1.3, 1.5$ GeV
collapse into one



Scaling of the second kind

Curves for
 ^{12}C , ^{16}O and ^{40}Ca
collapse into one



Superscaling

Scaling of the first kind

+ Scaling of the second kind

= Superscaling
in the CSM

Improvement of the FSI

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DEB+D POTENTIAL (DIRAC-EQUATION-BASED PLUS DARWIN TERM) IN THE FINAL STATE:

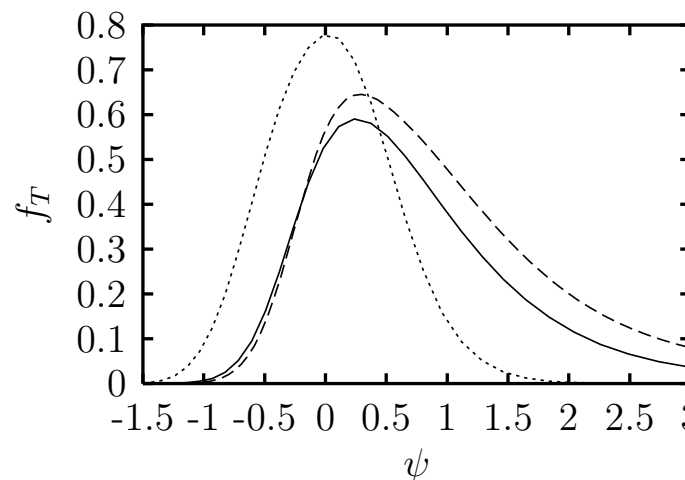
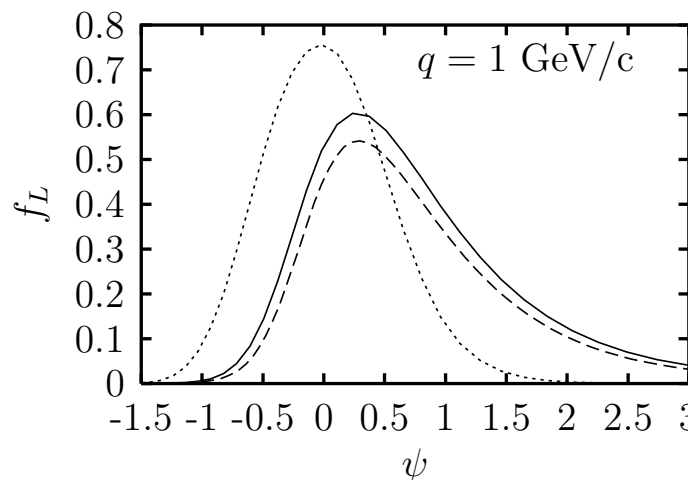
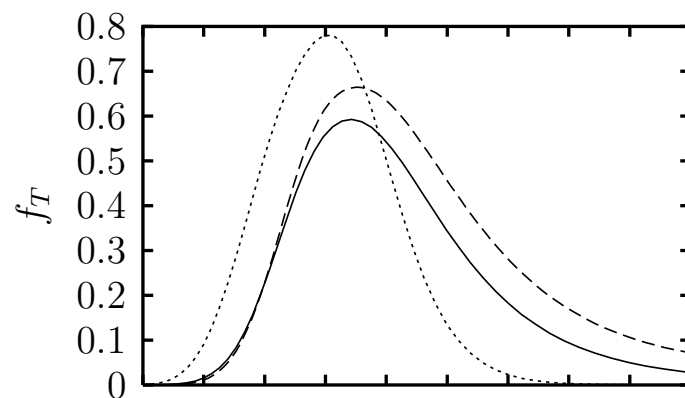
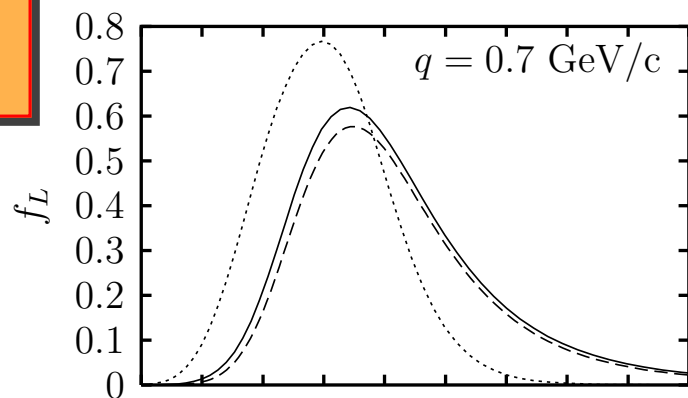
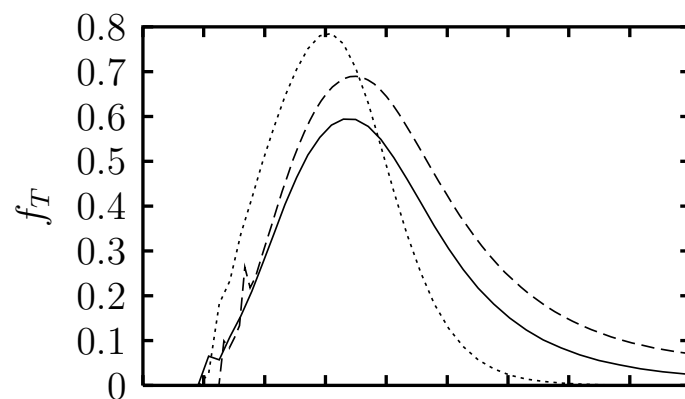
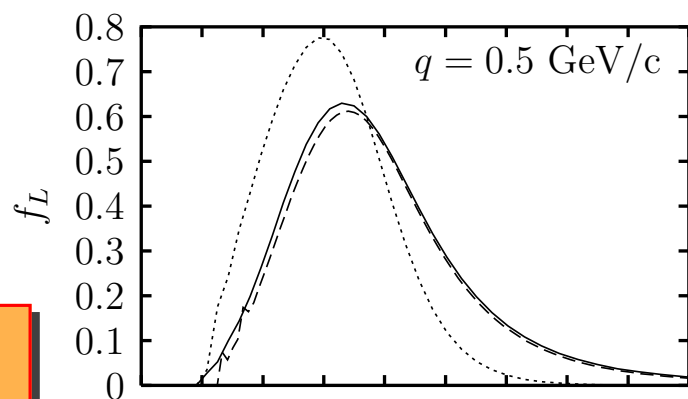
- Rewrite Dirac equation as a second-order equation for the up component $\psi_{up}(\vec{r})$
- Darwin term: $\psi_{up}(\vec{r}) = K(r, E)\phi(\vec{r})$
- The function $\phi(\vec{r})$ verifies the Schrödinger equation

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2m_N} \nabla^2 + U_{DEB}(r, E) \right] \phi(\vec{r}) = \frac{E^2 - m_N^2}{2m_N} \phi(\vec{r})$$

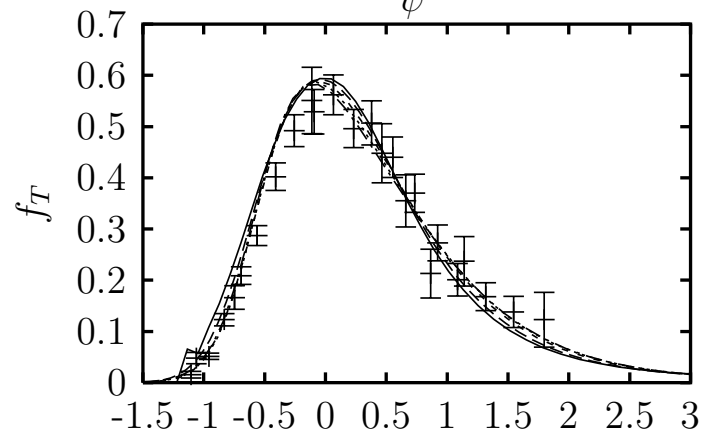
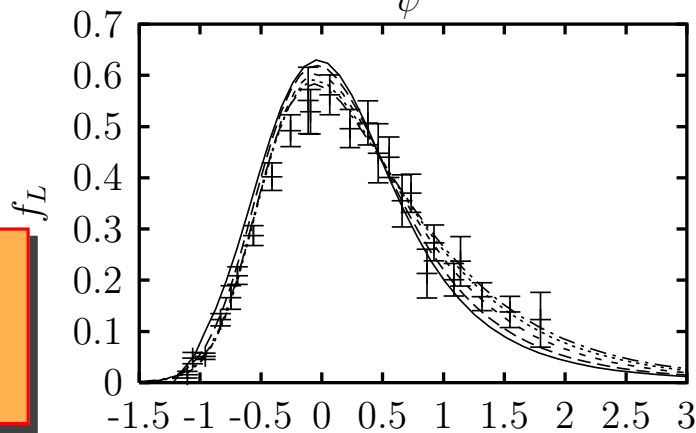
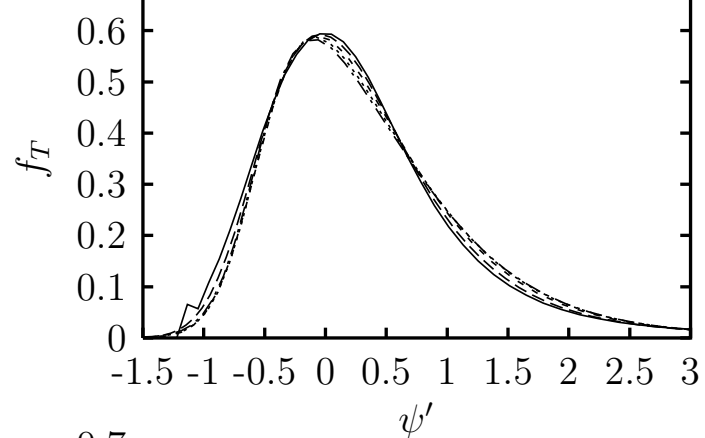
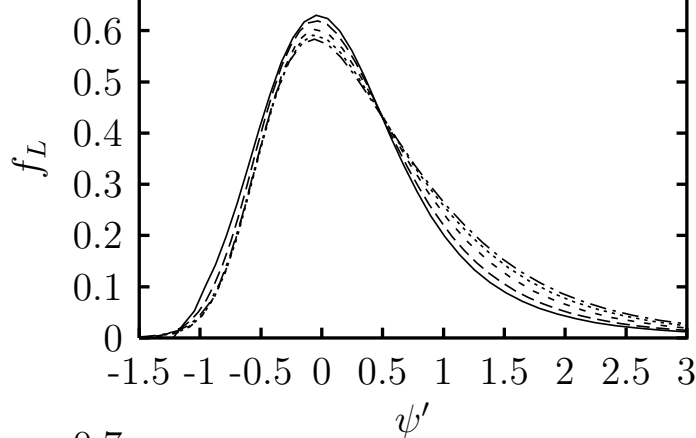
- Both the DEB potential $U_{DEB}(r, E)$ and Darwin term $K(r, E)$ are energy-dependent

DEB+D FSI effect

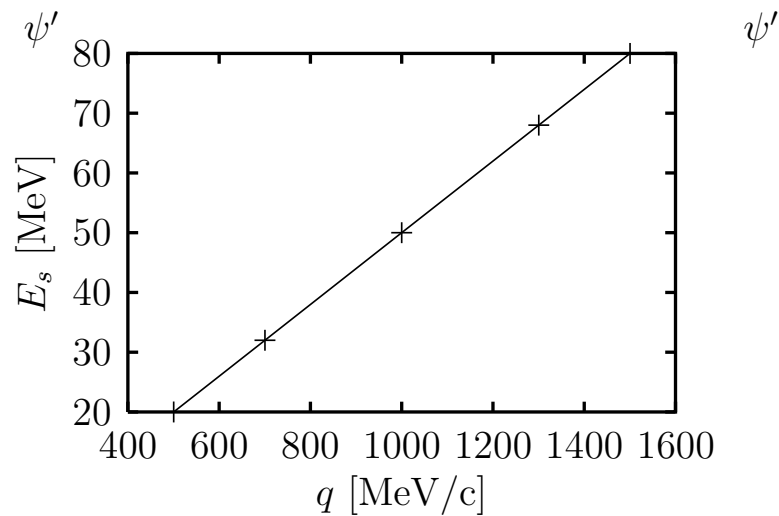
Dotted: SR Woods-Saxon
Solid: SR DEB+D
Dashed: RMF



Scaling of 1st kind DEB+D



$q = 0.5, 0.7$
 $1.0, 1.3$
and $1.5 \text{ GEV}/c$



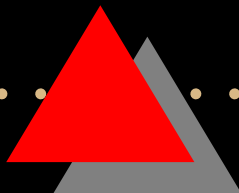
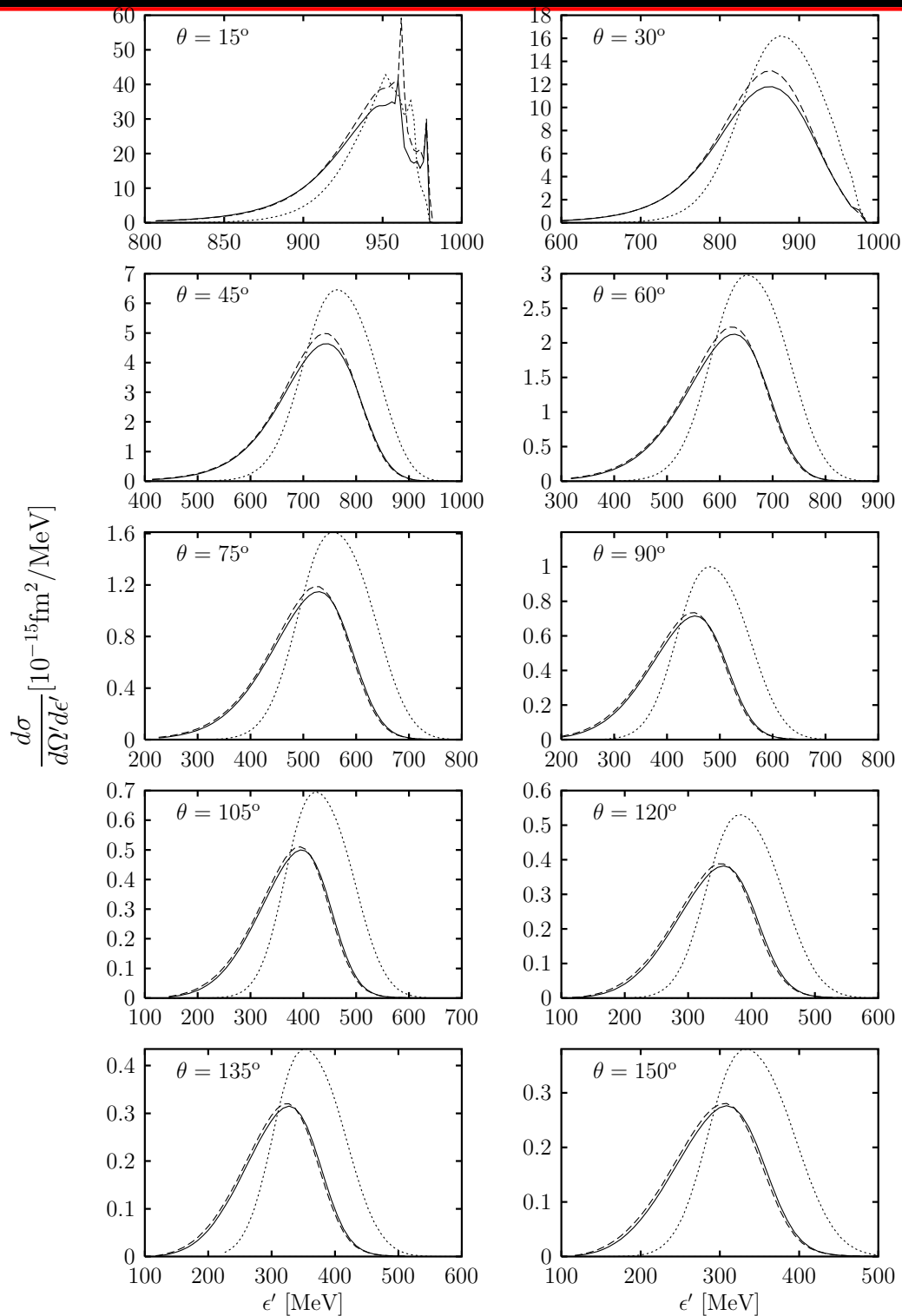
CC neutrino reactions

- SuSA reconstruction of the (ν_μ, μ^-) cross section from the (e, e') one
- Test of the SuSA in the CSM
- The CSM electromagnetic scaling function is used to compute neutrino cross sections.
- Compare with the exact CSM result

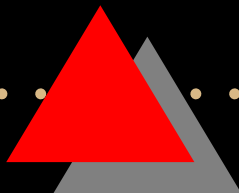
$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_{\mu}, \mu^{-})$

$\epsilon = 1 \text{ GeV}$

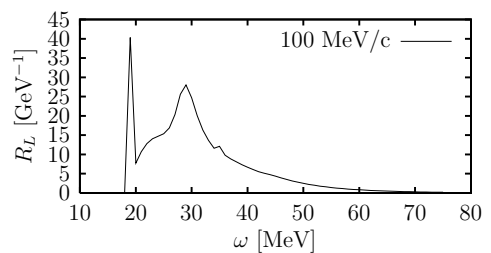
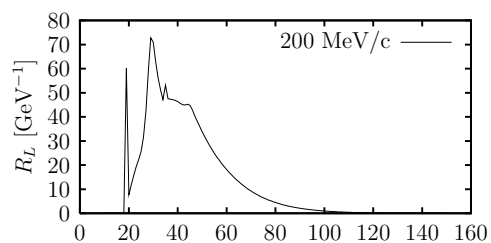
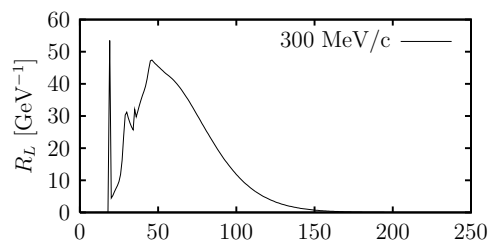
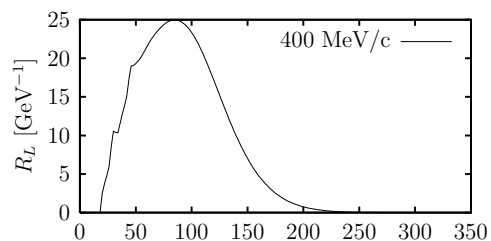
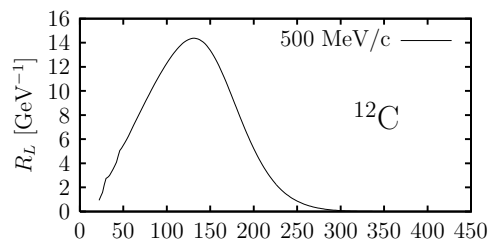
Dotted: Woods-Saxon
Solid: DEB+D
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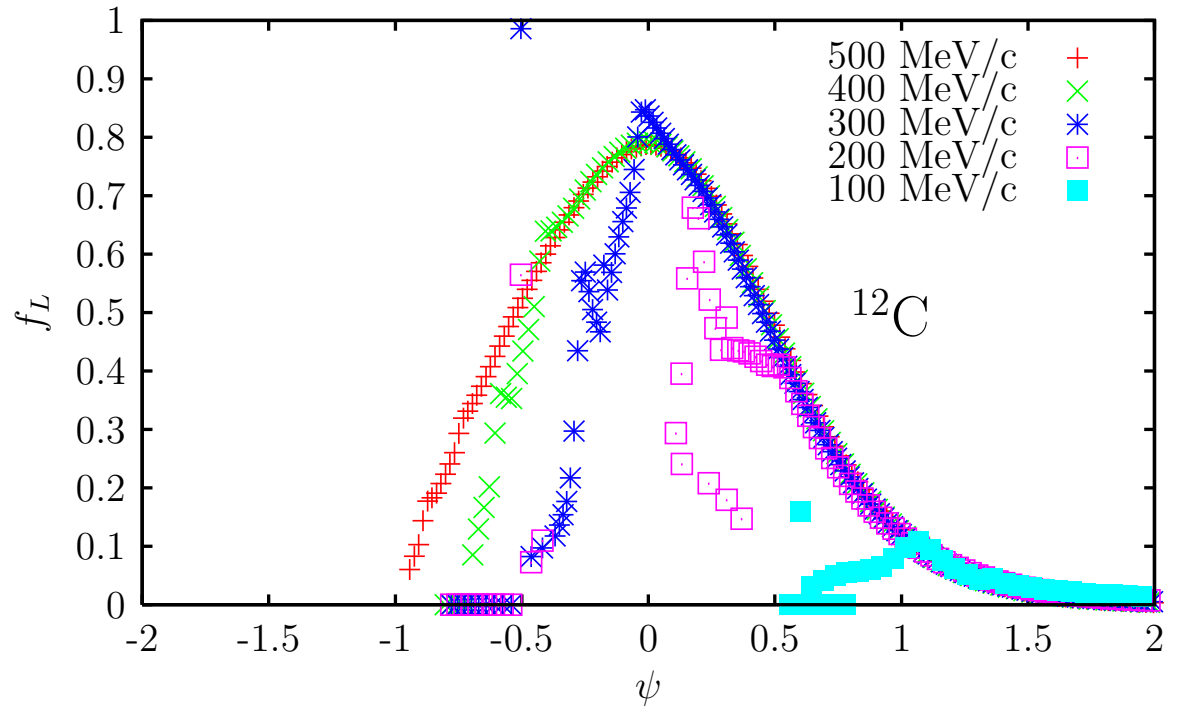
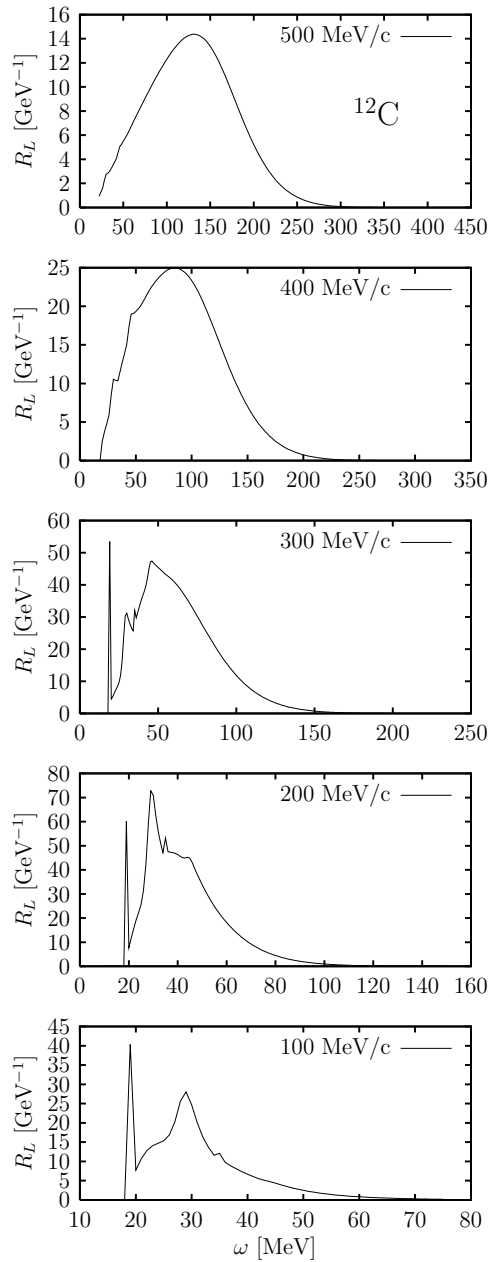
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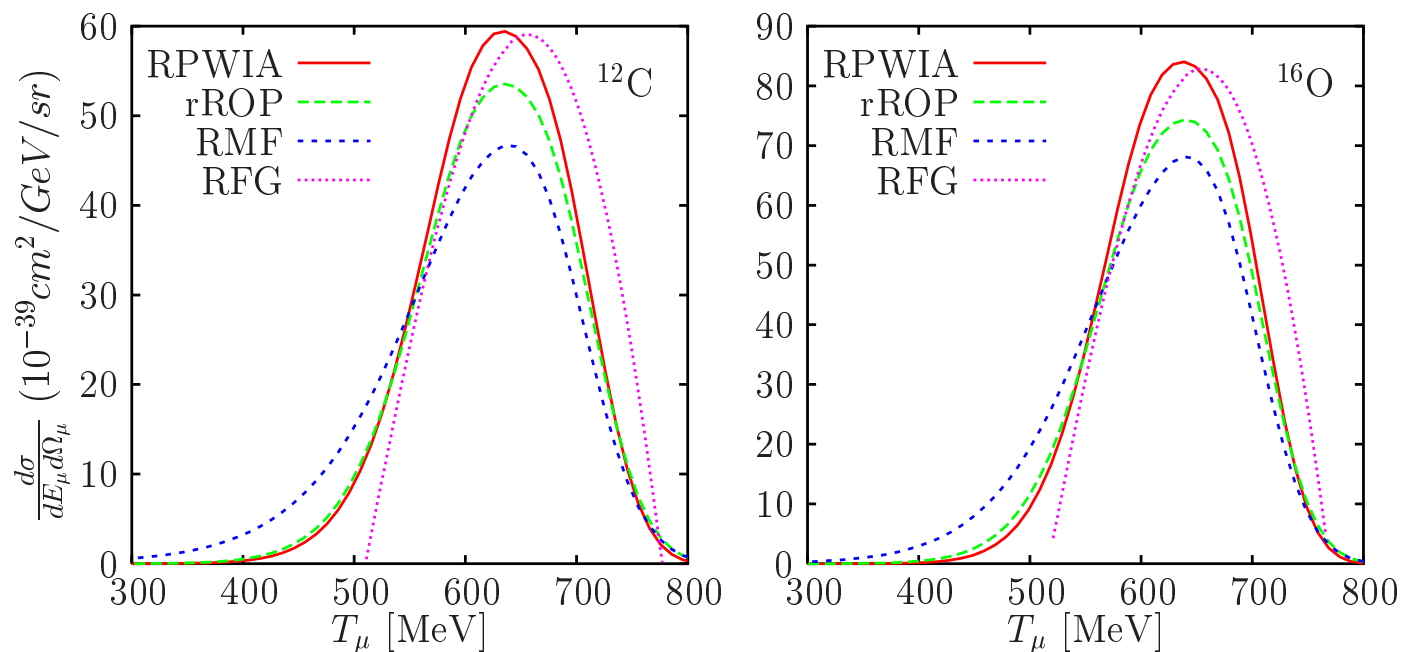
Scaling violation for low q



5 *The Relativistic Mean Field (RMF)*

- Solve the exact relativistic Dirac equation for the initial and final nucleons
- Use the exact relativistic V and A current operators
- Describe the bound nucleon states as self-consistent Dirac-Hartree solutions using a lagrangian containing σ , ω and ρ mesons
- Use the same relativistic Diract-Hartree potential for the final states (FSI)

(ν_μ, μ^-) results with the RMF



Quasi-elastic differential cross section $d\sigma/dE_\mu/d\Omega_\mu$ for (ν_μ, μ^-)

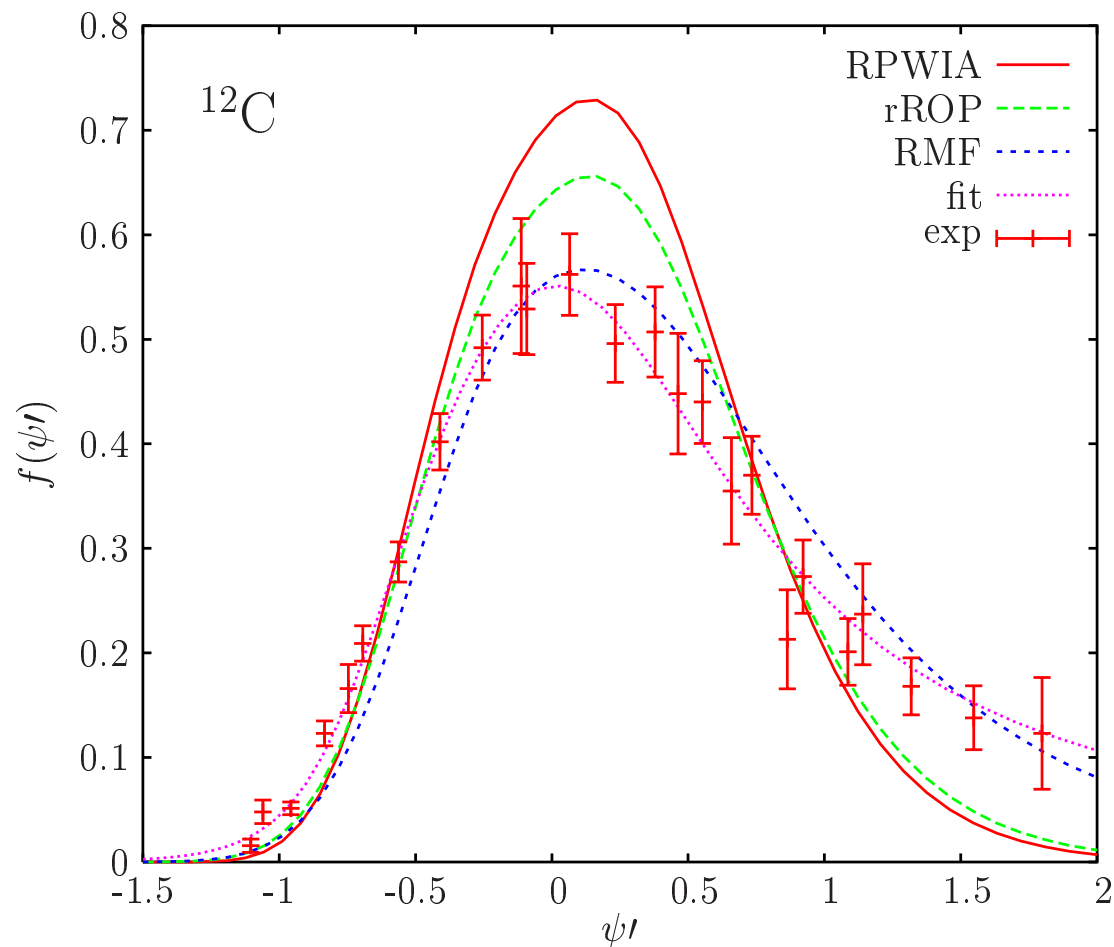
- Incident neutrino energy $\varepsilon_\nu = 1$ GeV.
- Muon scattering angle $\theta_\mu = 45^\circ$.
- RPWIA (solid), rROP (dashed) and RMF (dot-dashed), RFG (dotted).

From Caballero, Amaro, Barbaro, Donnelly, Maieron, and Udias, PRL 95 (2005)

(ν_μ, μ^-) results with the RMF

Neutrino scaling function
Compared to the experimental scaling function

- RPWIA (solid),
- rROP (dashed)
- RMF (dot-dashed)
- Parameterization of data (dotted)

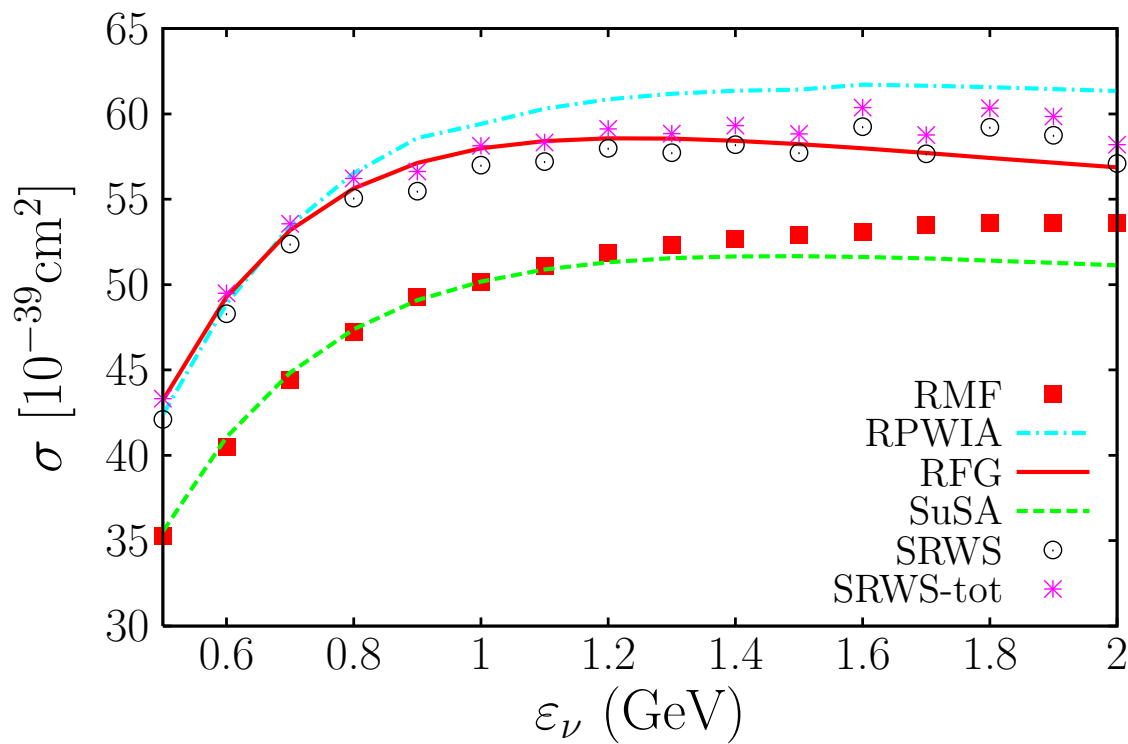


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(ν_μ, μ^-) results with the RMF

Total integrated (ν_μ, μ^-) QE cross section for ^{12}C as a function of the incident neutrino energy.

- RMF (squares),
- RFG (solid line)
- SuSA (dashed line),
- RPWIA (dot-dashed line)
- SRWS (circles)
- SRWS-tot (crosses).



From Amaro, Barbaro, Caballero, Donnelly Phys. Rev. Lett. 98 (2007)

6 Neutrino excitation of the Δ peak

J.E. Amaro, M.B. Barbaro, J.A. Caballero, T.W. Donnelly, A. Molinari, Nucl. Phys. A 657 (1999) 161.

New scaling variable for the Δ peak :

$$\psi_{\Delta} \equiv \left[\frac{1}{\xi_F} \left(\kappa \sqrt{\rho_{\Delta}^2 + 1/\tau} - \lambda \rho_{\Delta} - 1 \right) \right]^{1/2} \times \begin{cases} +1 & \lambda \geq \lambda_{\Delta}^0 \\ -1 & \lambda \leq \lambda_{\Delta}^0 \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda_{\Delta}^0 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\sqrt{\mu_{\Delta}^2 + 4\kappa^2} - 1 \right], \quad \mu_{\Delta} \equiv m_{\Delta}/m_N$$

$$\rho_{\Delta} \equiv 1 + \beta_{\Delta}/\tau \quad \beta_{\Delta} \equiv \frac{1}{4} (\mu_{\Delta}^2 - 1)$$

ψ_{Δ} Vanishes at the Δ peak $\implies \omega = \omega_{\Delta}^0 = \sqrt{m_{\Delta}^2 + q^2} - m_N$

Include a small energy shift $\omega \rightarrow \omega' \equiv \omega - E_{shift}$. yielding a shifted scaling variable ψ'_{Δ} .

RFG responses in the Δ peak

ignoring terms of order η_F^2 :

$$R_L^\Delta(\kappa, \lambda)_0 = \frac{1}{2} \Lambda_0 \frac{\kappa^2}{\tau} [(1 + \tau \rho_\Delta^2) w_2^\Delta(\tau) - w_1^\Delta(\tau)] \times f_{RFG}(\psi_\Delta)$$

$$R_T^\Delta(\kappa, \lambda)_0 = \frac{1}{2} \Lambda_0 [2w_1^\Delta(\tau)] \times f_{RFG}(\psi_\Delta),$$

$$\Lambda_0 = \frac{\mathcal{N}}{2\kappa k_F}$$

One should add the contributions:

$\mathcal{N} = Z$ and the $p \rightarrow \Delta^+$ structure functions

$\mathcal{N} = N$ and the $n \rightarrow \Delta^0$ responses.

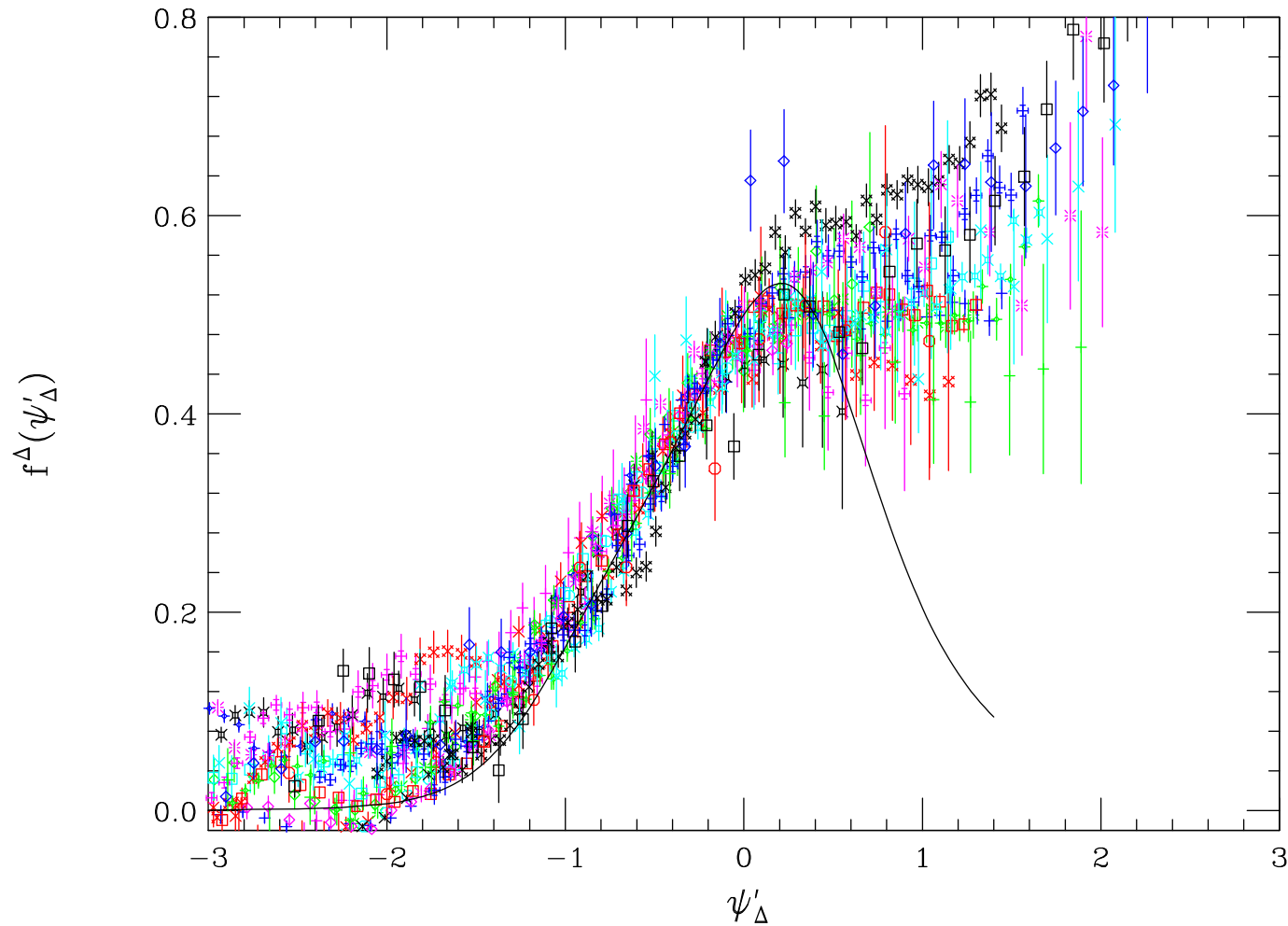
Experimental Δ scaling function

- Subtract from the total (e, e') experimental cross section the QE cross section recalculated using $f^{QE}(\psi'_{QE})$
- Divide by $S^\Delta \equiv \sigma_M [v_L G_L^\Delta + v_T G_T^\Delta]$

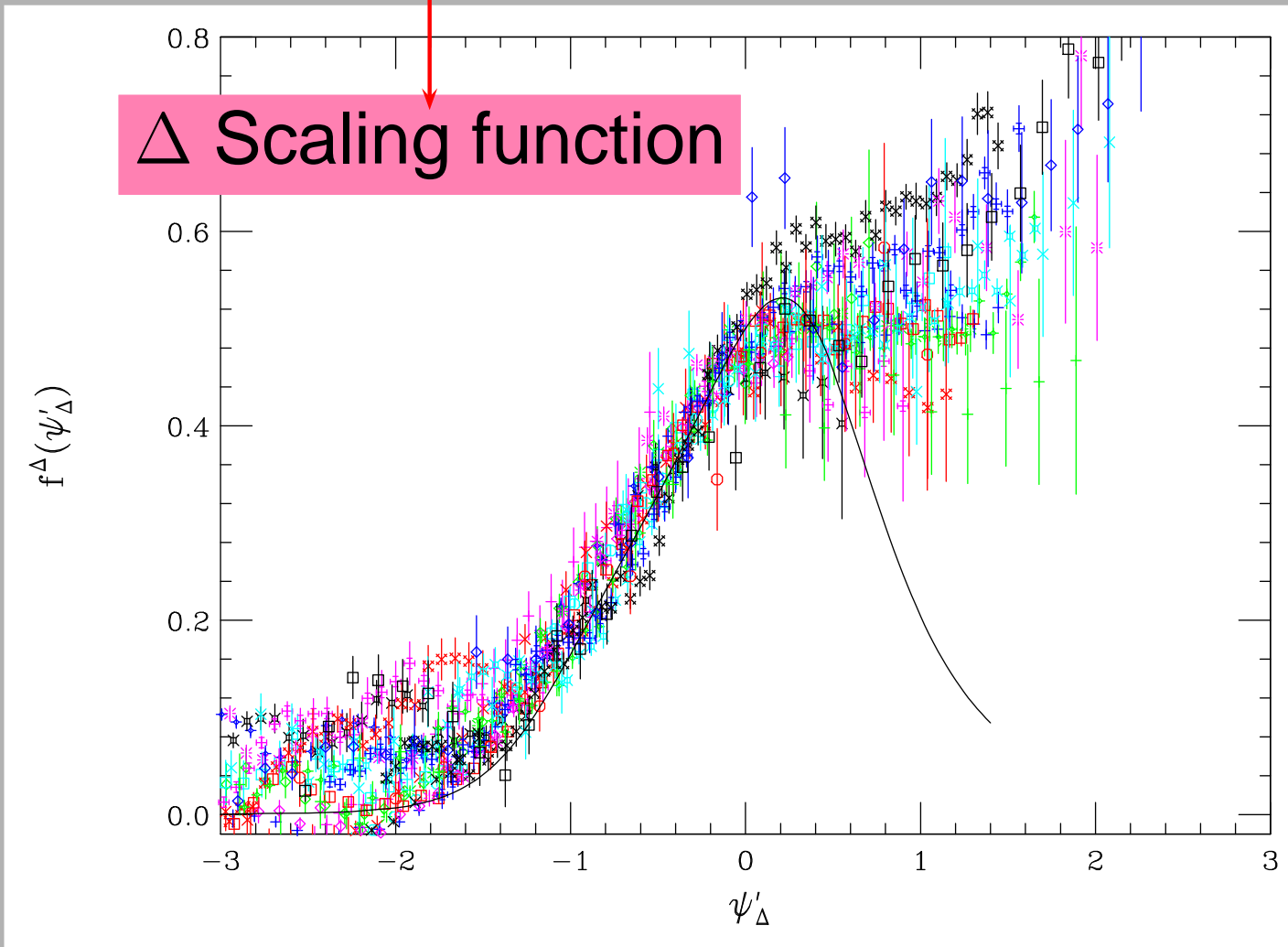
$$G_L^\Delta = \frac{\kappa}{2\tau k_F} [\mathcal{N} \{ (1 + \tau \rho_\Delta^2) w_2^\Delta(\tau) - w_1^\Delta(\tau) \}] + \mathcal{O}(\eta_F^2)$$

$$G_T^\Delta = \frac{1}{\kappa k_F} [\mathcal{N} \{ w_1^\Delta(\tau) \}] + \mathcal{O}(\eta_F^2).$$

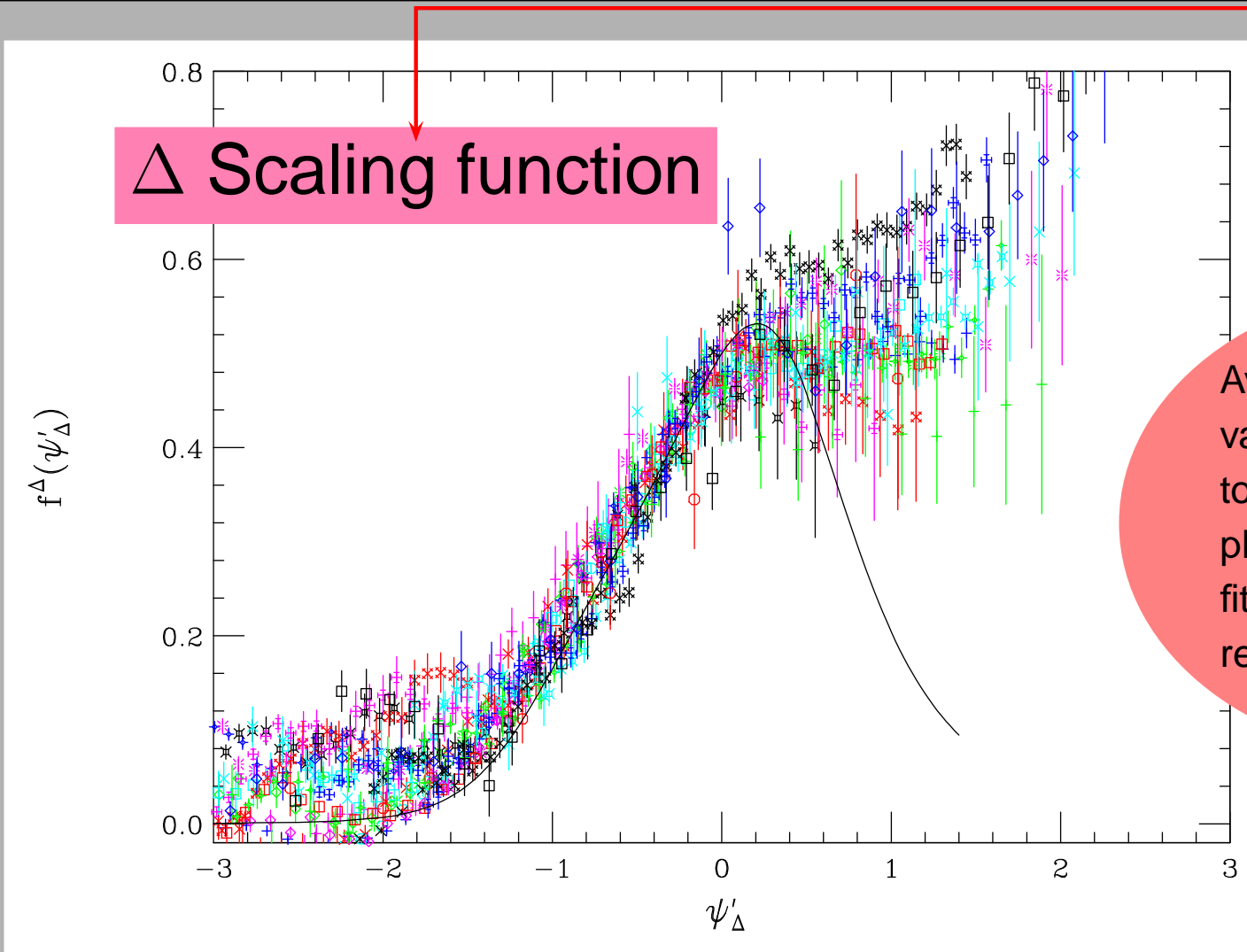
Scaling function in the Δ peak



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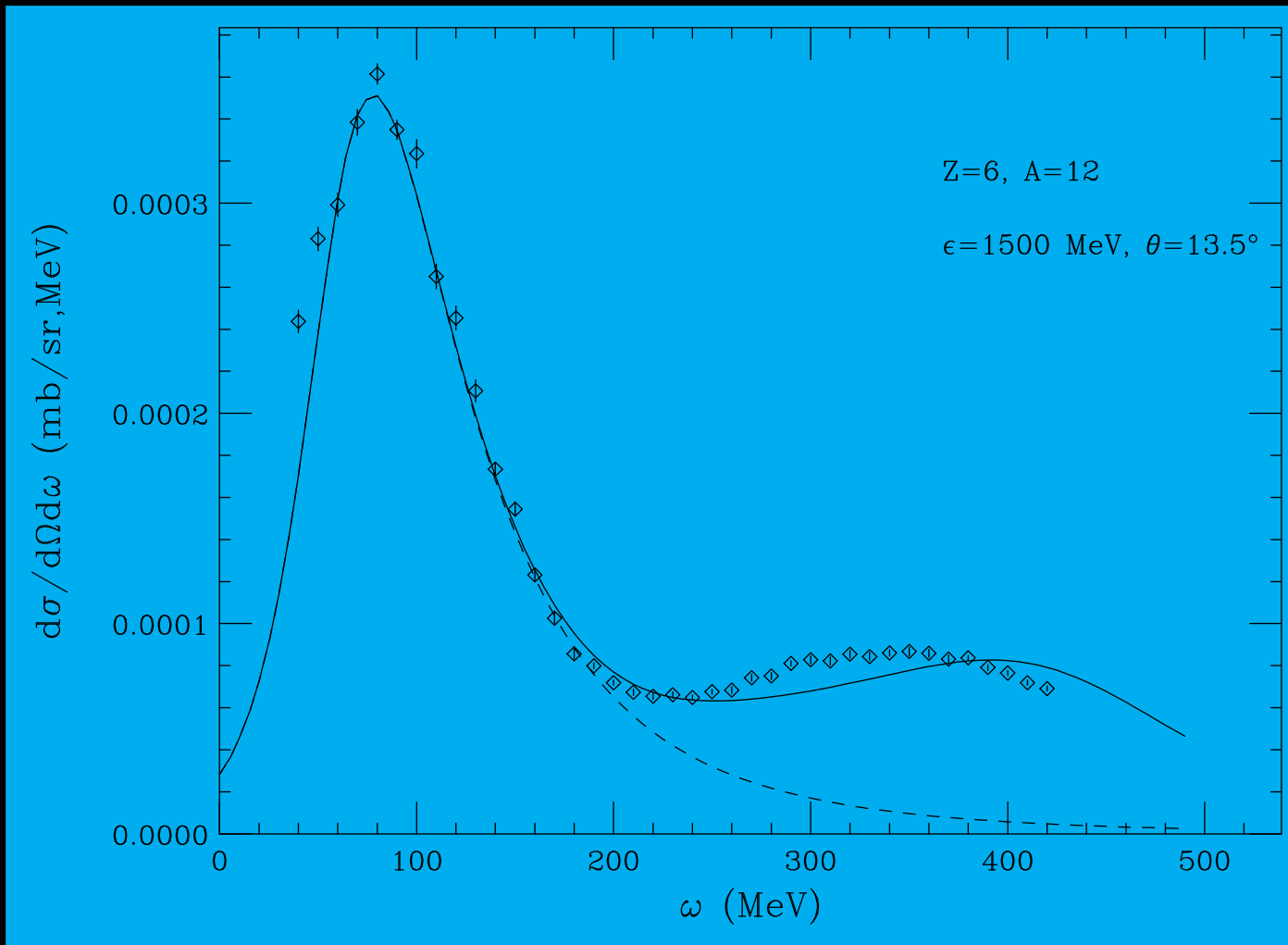


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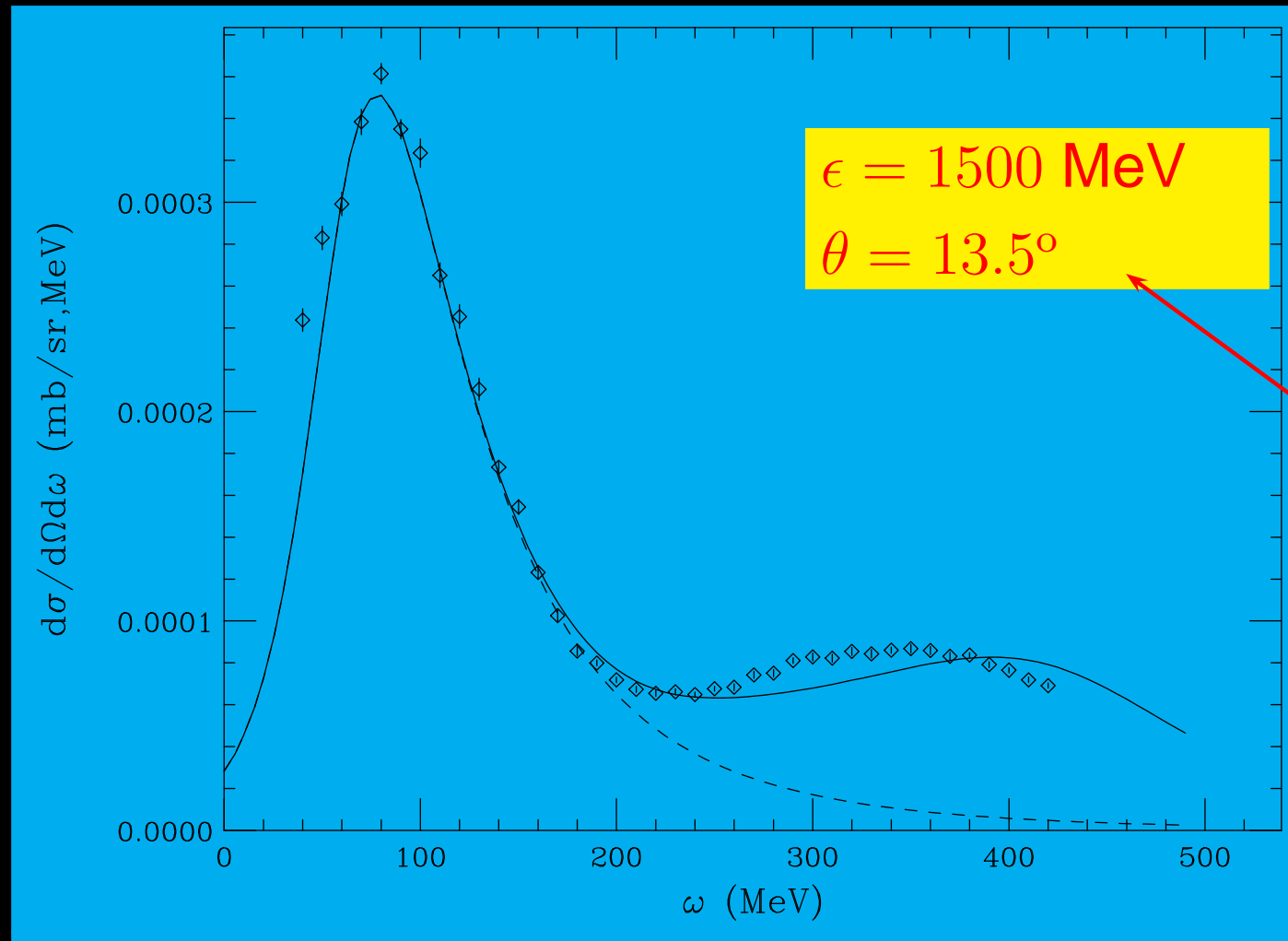
(e, e') *SuSA* results (I)

Cross section computed with scaling functions

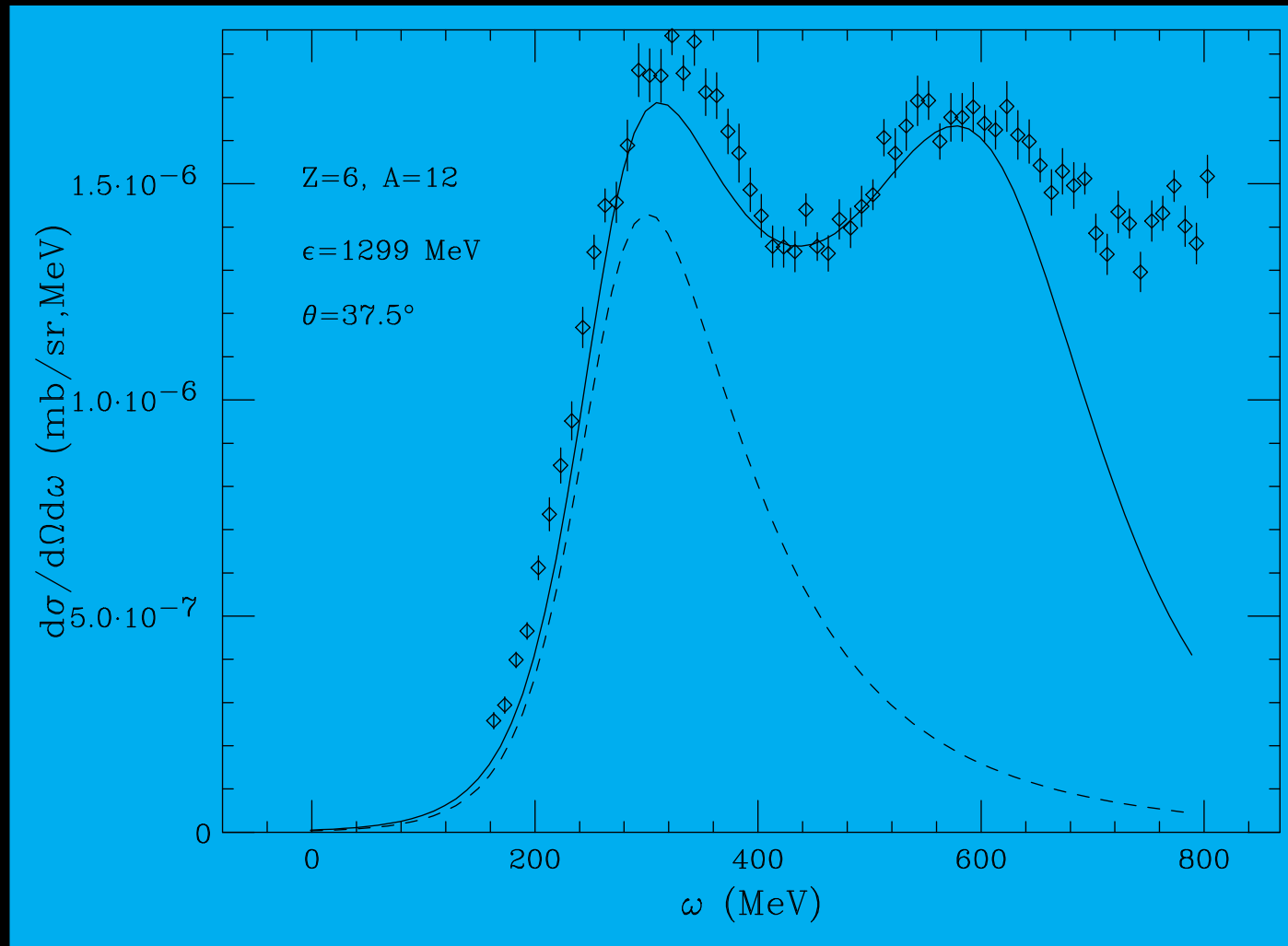


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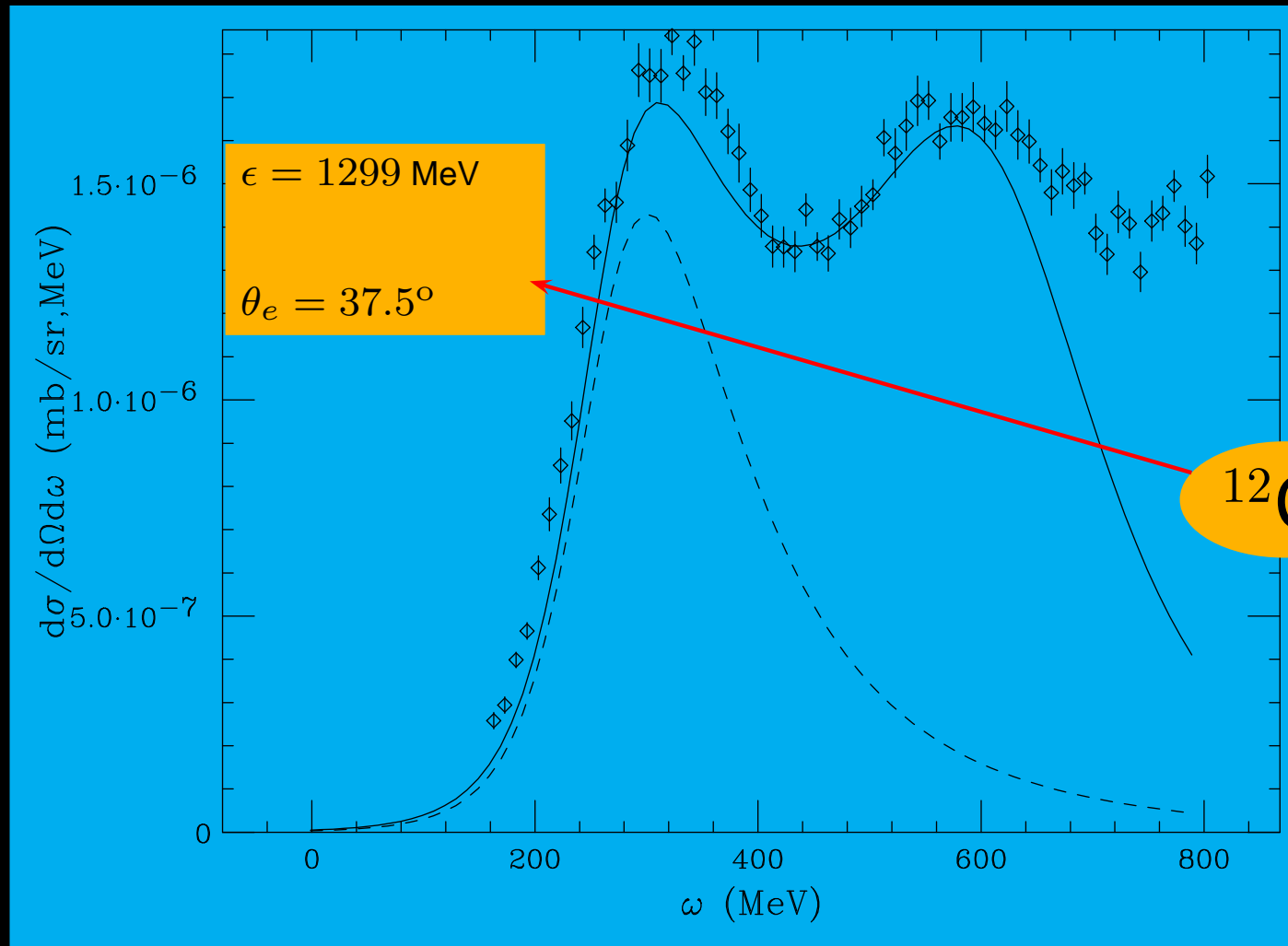
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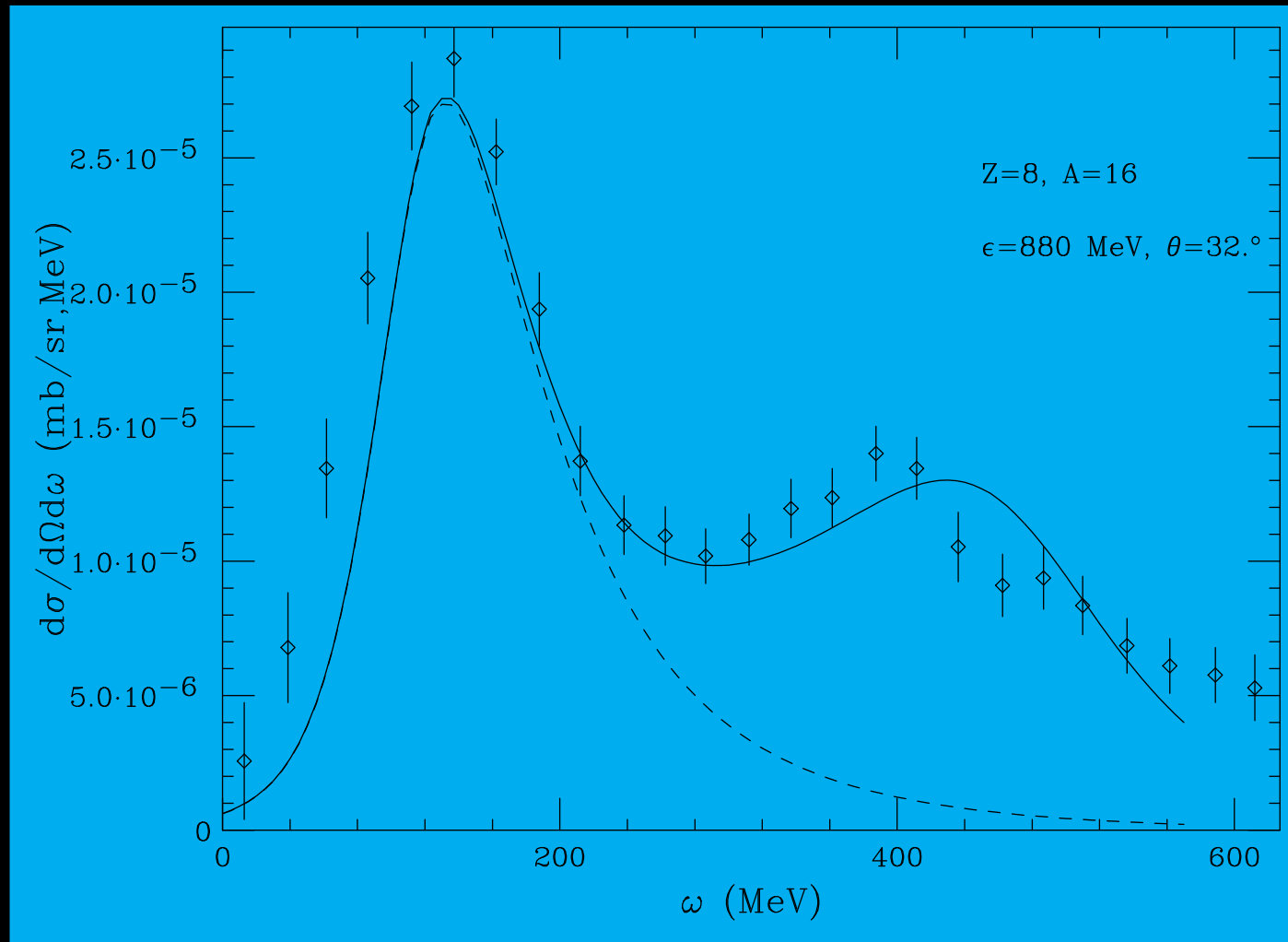
(e, e') *SuSA* results (II)



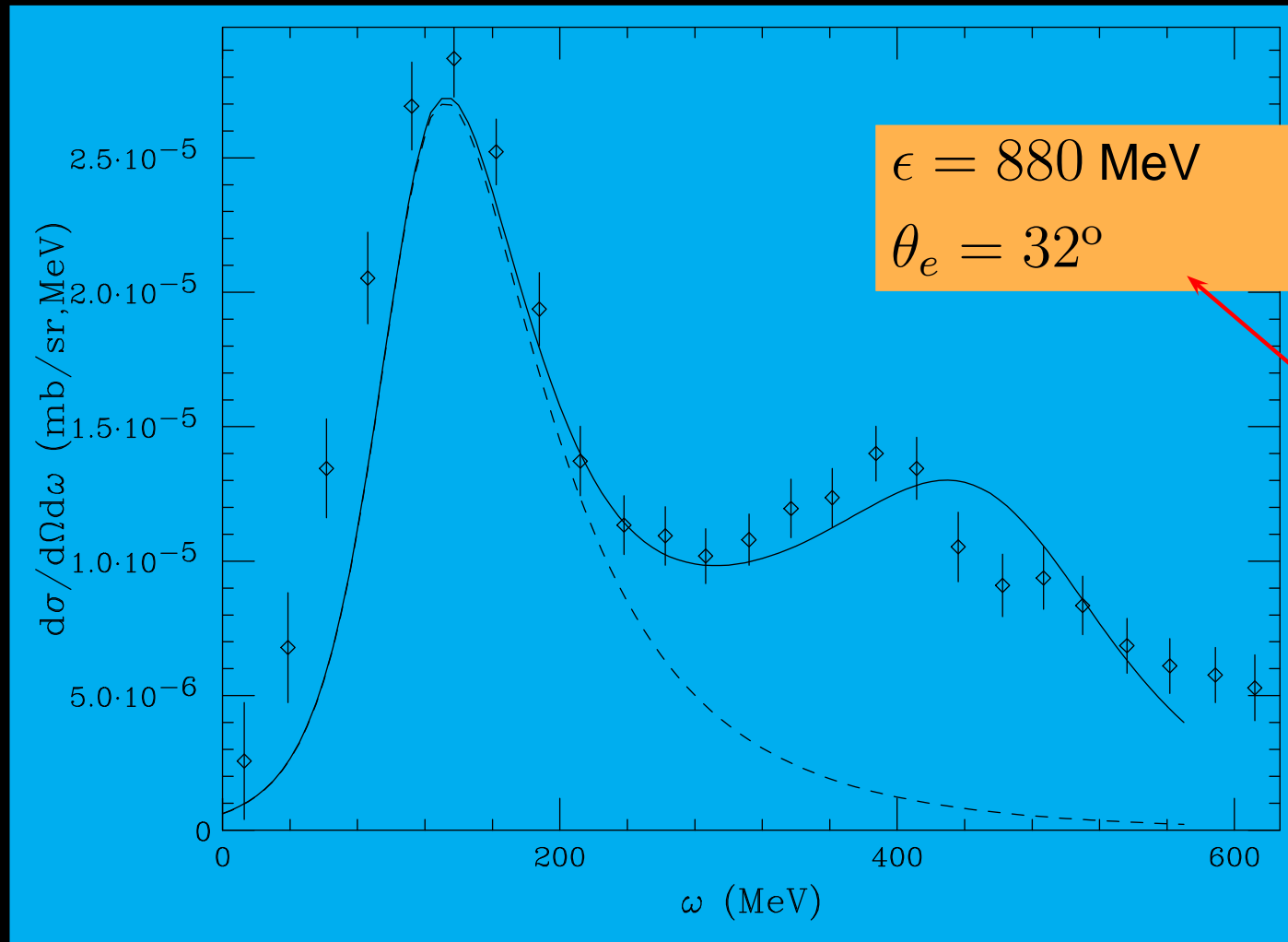
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(e, e') results (III)



(e, e') results (III)



$N(\nu_\mu, \mu^-) \Delta$ model

Elementary reactions

$$\nu_\mu p \rightarrow \mu^- \Delta^{++} \quad (1)$$

$$\nu_\mu n \rightarrow \mu^- \Delta^+ \quad (2)$$

$$\bar{\nu}_\mu p \rightarrow \mu^+ \Delta^0 \quad (3)$$

$$\bar{\nu}_\mu n \rightarrow \mu^+ \Delta^- . \quad (4)$$

Associated currents [Alvarez-Ruso et al. (1998)]:

$$J^\mu(q) = \mathcal{T} \bar{u}_\alpha^{(\Delta)}(p', s') \Gamma^{\alpha\mu} u(p, s), \quad (5)$$

isospin factor: $\mathcal{T} = \sqrt{3}$ for Δ^{++} and Δ^- production and $= 1$ for Δ^+ and Δ^0 production,

$u_\alpha^{(\Delta)}(p', s')$: Rarita-Schwinger spinor

$N(\nu_\mu, \mu^-) \Delta$ model

Vertex tensor [Alvarez-Ruso (1998)]

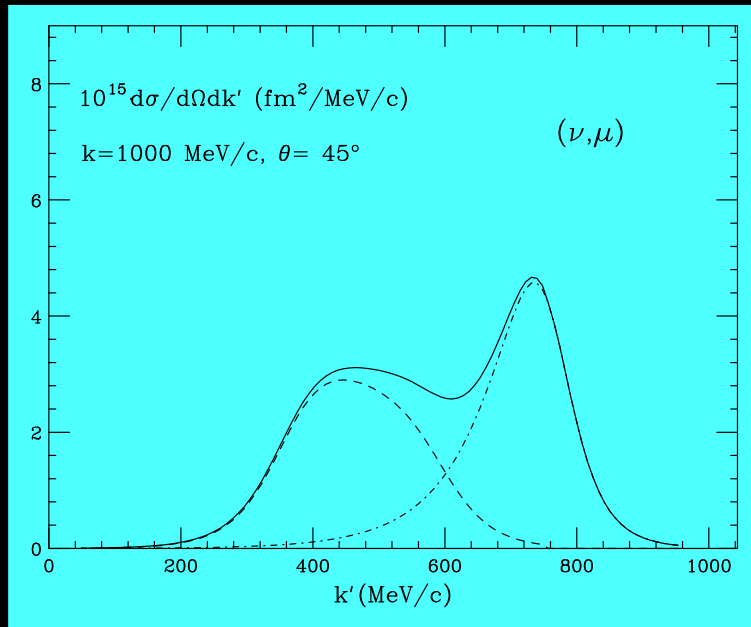
$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^{\alpha\mu} = & \\ = & \left[\frac{C_3^V}{m_N} (g^{\alpha\mu} \not{q} - q^\alpha \gamma^\mu) + \frac{C_4^V}{m_N^2} (g^{\alpha\mu} q \cdot p' - q^\alpha p'^\mu) + \frac{C_5^V}{m_N^2} (g^{\alpha\mu} q \cdot p - q^\alpha p^\mu) \right] \gamma_5 \\ + & \left[\frac{C_3^A}{m_N} (g^{\alpha\mu} \not{q} - q^\alpha \gamma^\mu) + \frac{C_4^A}{m_N^2} (g^{\alpha\mu} q \cdot p' - q^\alpha p'^\mu) + C_5^A g^{\alpha\mu} + \frac{C_6^A}{m_N^2} q^\alpha q^\mu \right] \end{aligned}$$

CVC implies $C_6^V = 0$ and PCAC yields

$$C_6^A = C_5^A (\mu_\pi^2 + 4\tau)^{-1}, \text{ with } \mu_\pi = m_\pi/m_N$$

SuSA (ν_μ, μ) predictions Δ peak

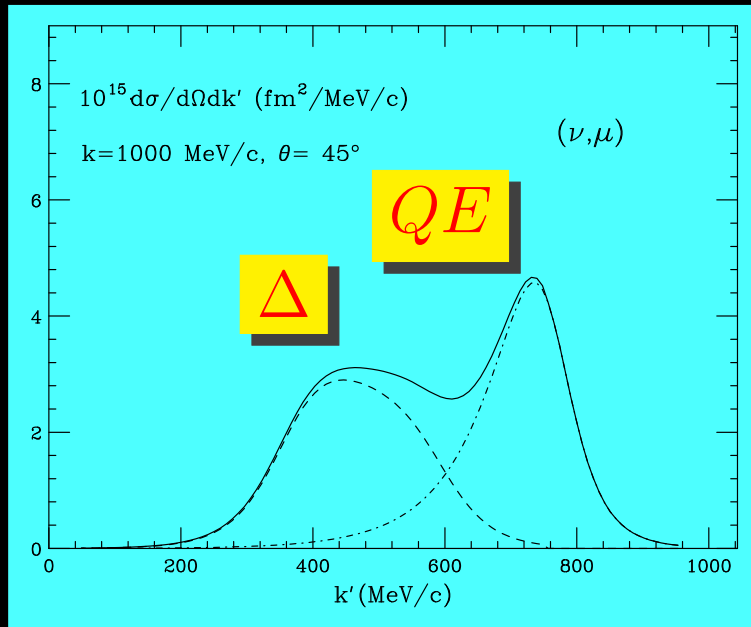
Neutrino energy: $\epsilon = 1$ GeV



$$\theta = 45^\circ$$

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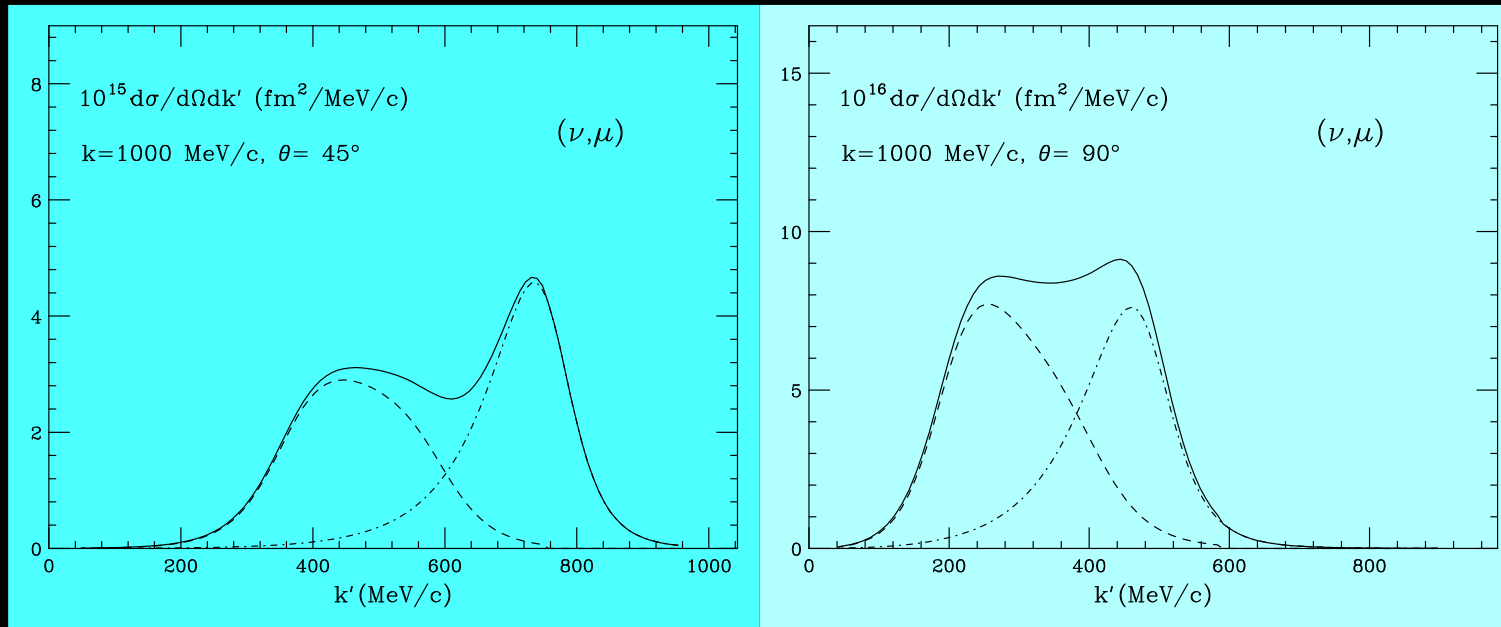
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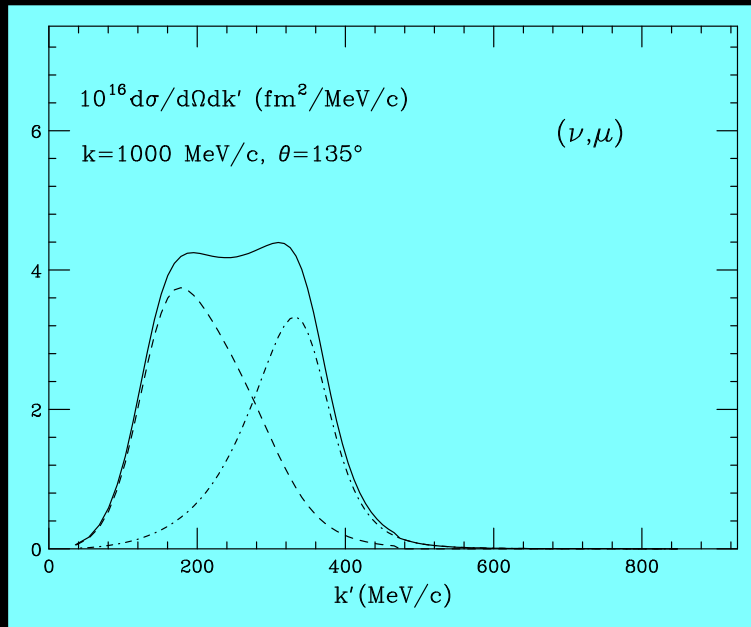


$\theta = 45^\circ$

$\theta = 90^\circ$

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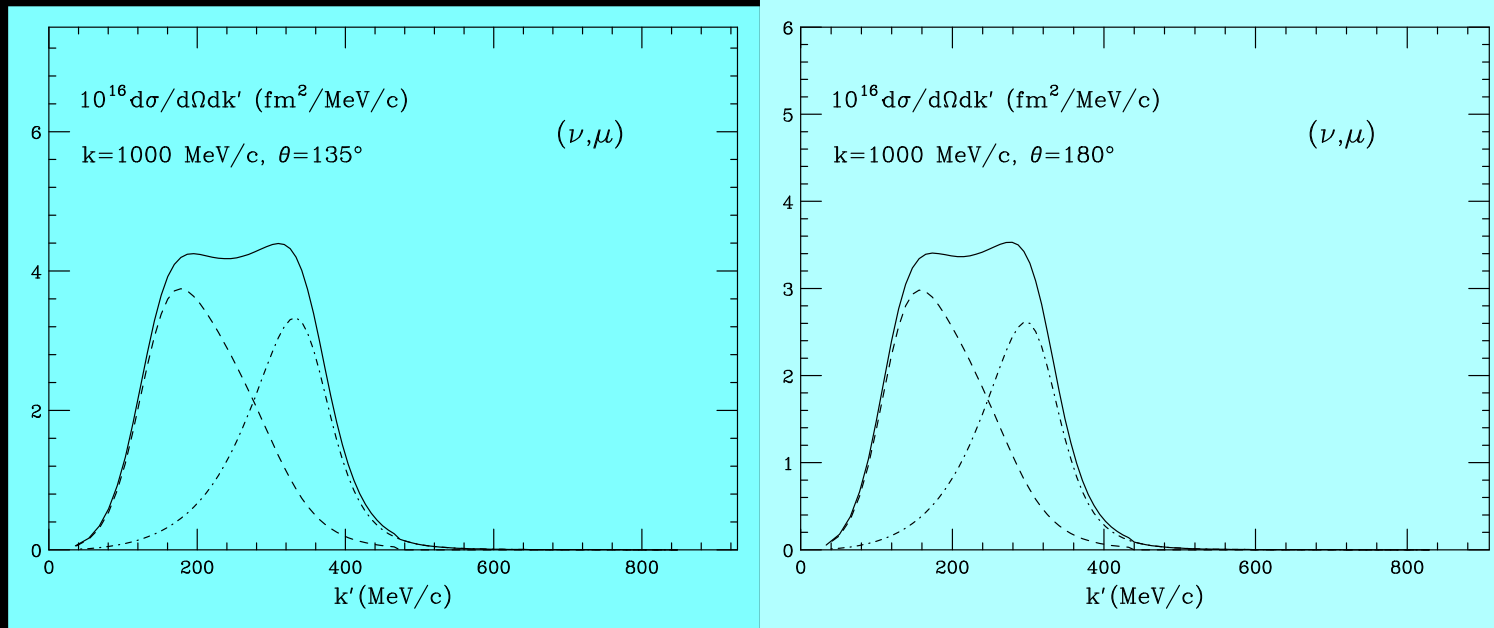
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SuSA (ν_μ, μ) predictions Δ peak

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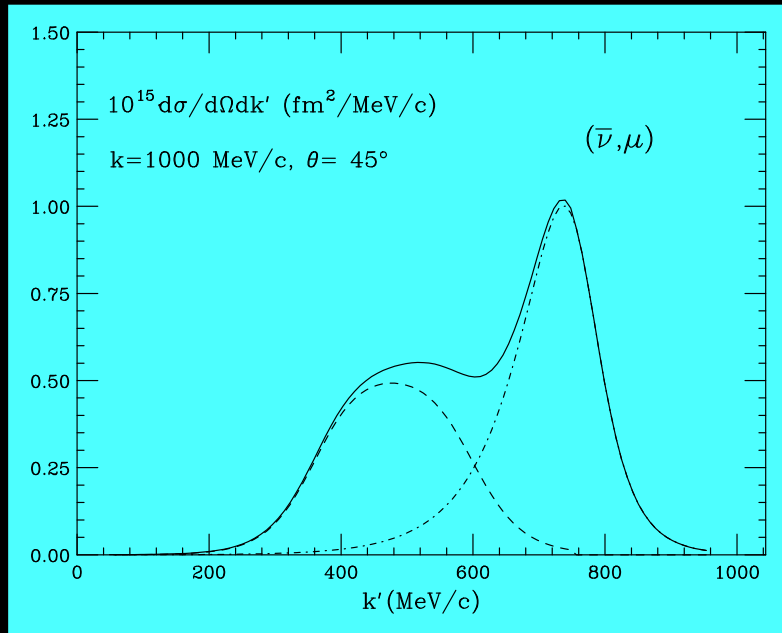


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SuSA ($\bar{\nu}_\mu, \mu^+$) predictions Δ peak

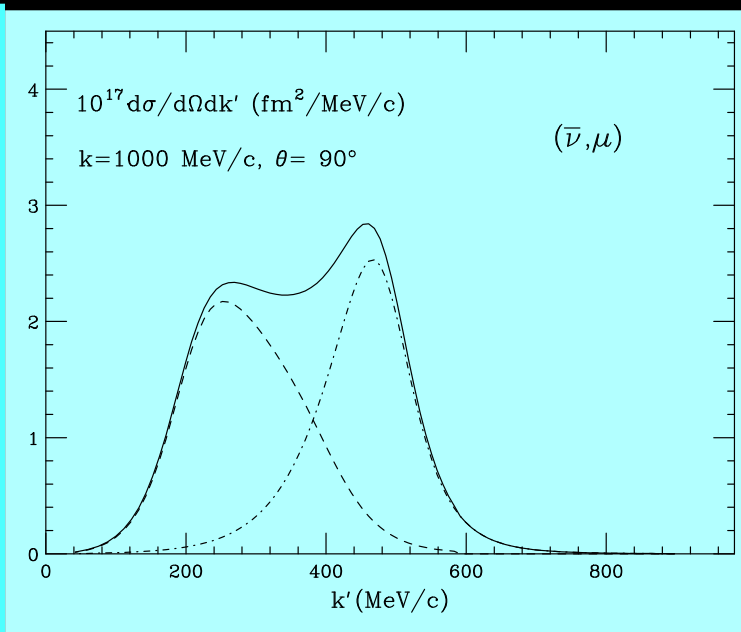
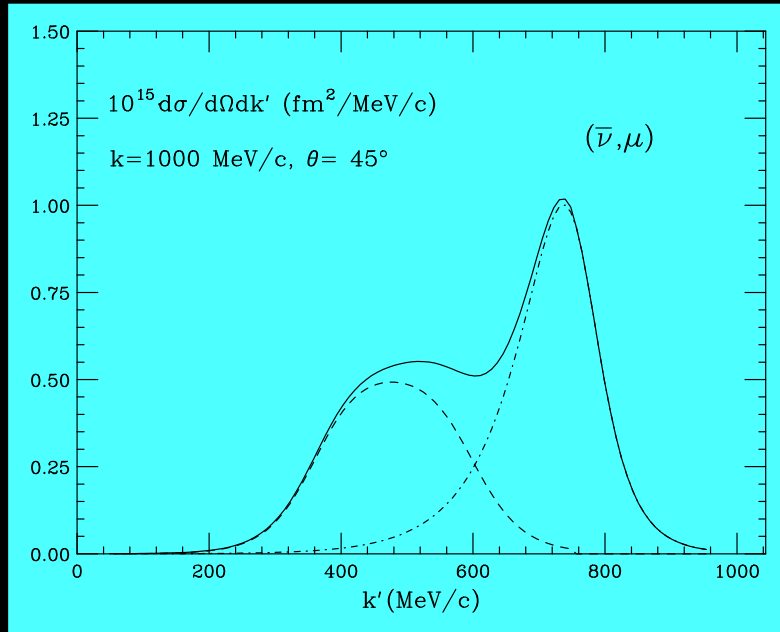
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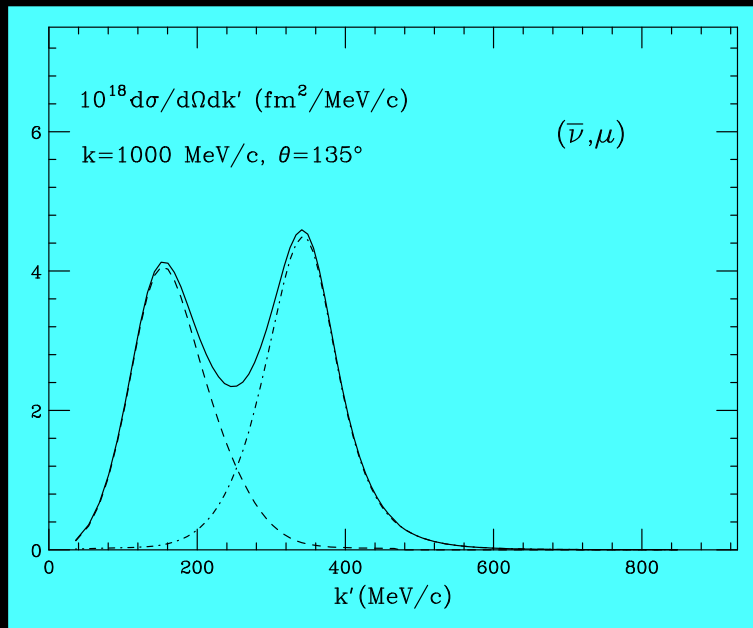


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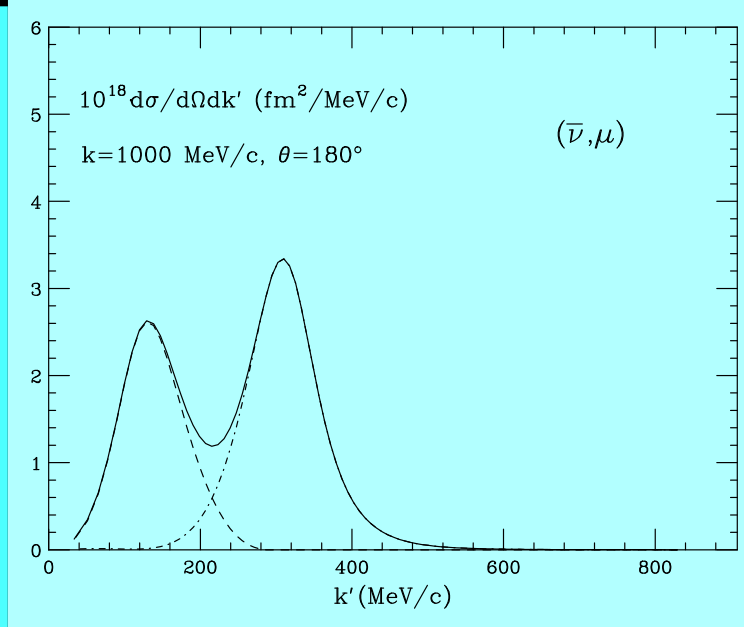
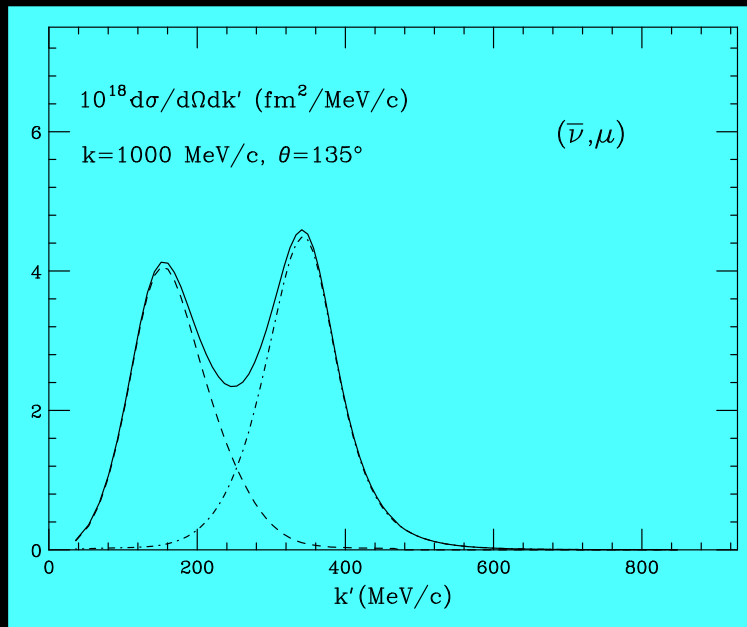
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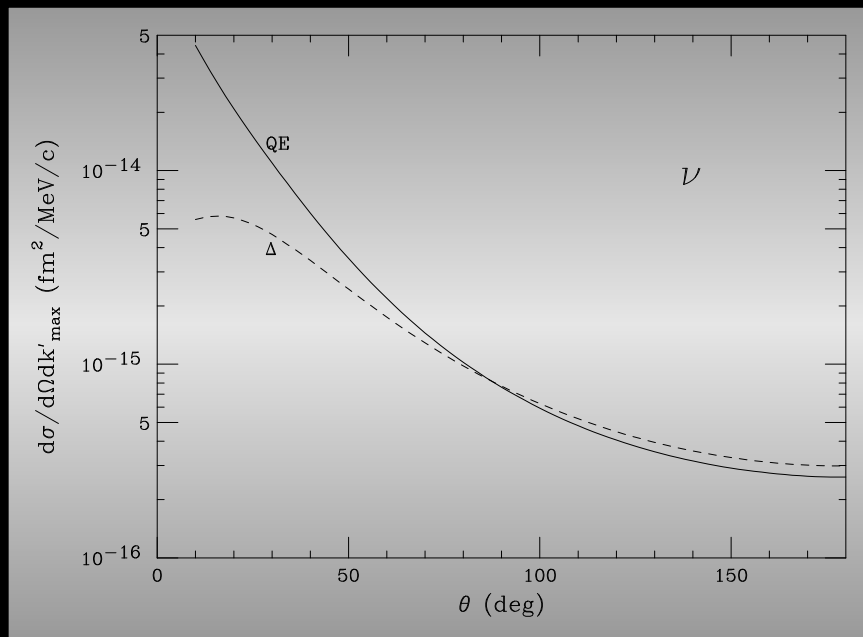


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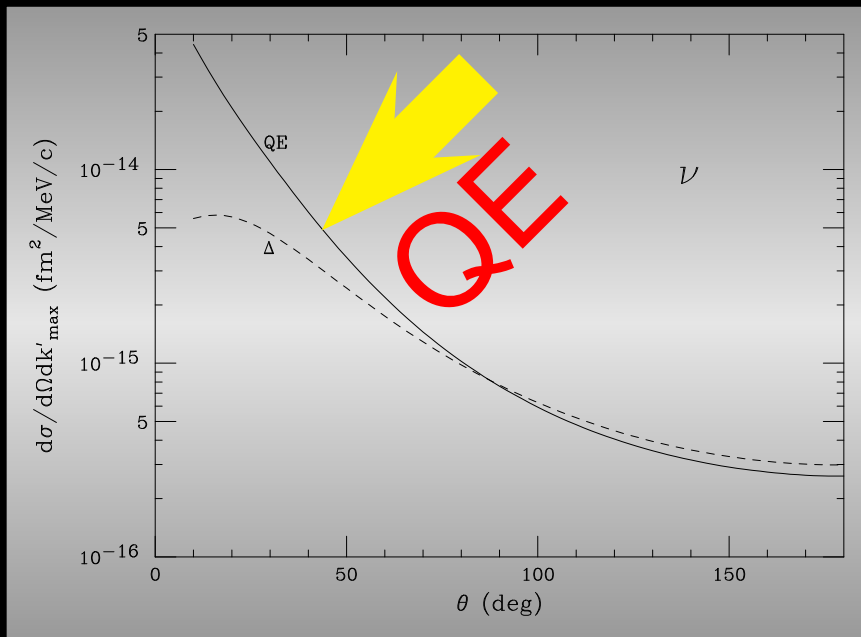
At the tops of the QE and Δ peaks - $\epsilon = 1 \text{ GeV}$



(ν_{μ}, μ)

Angular distribution

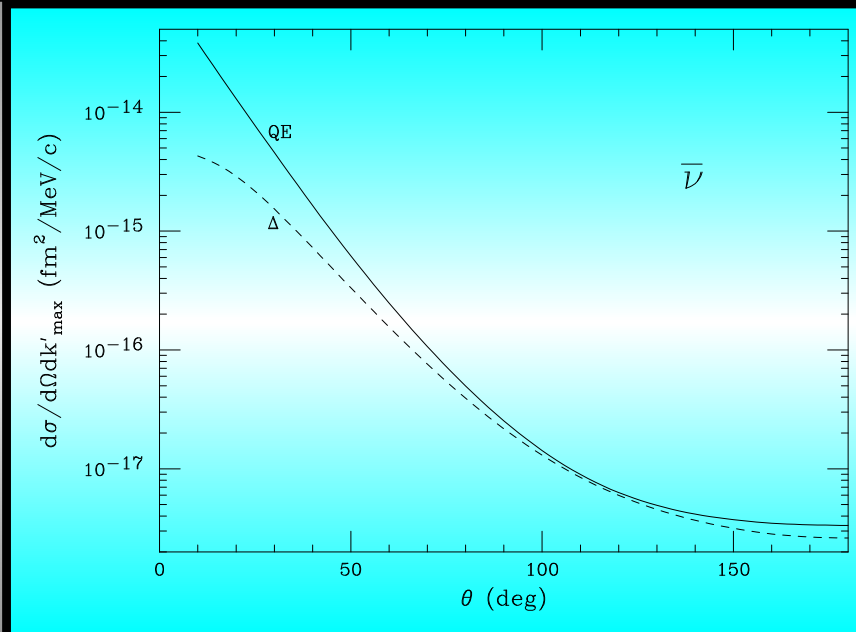
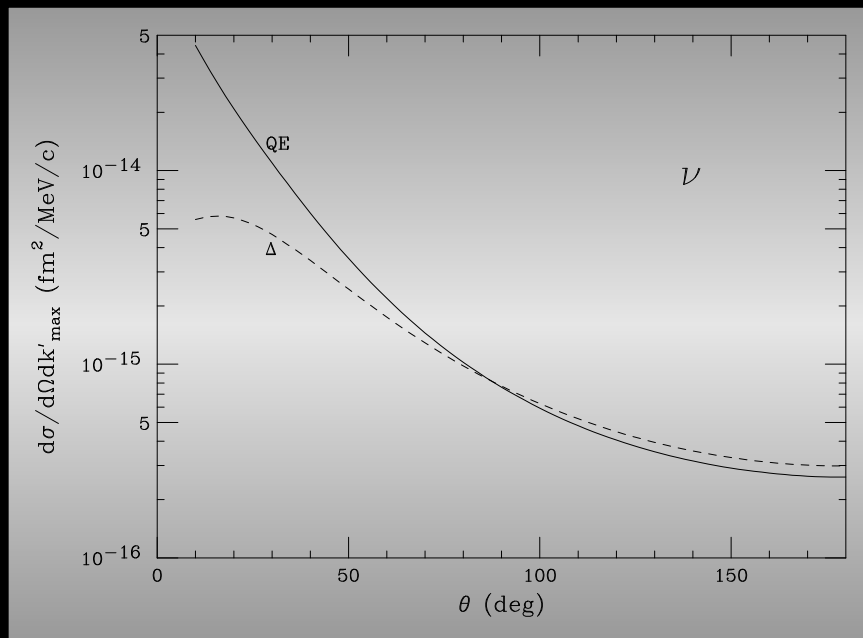
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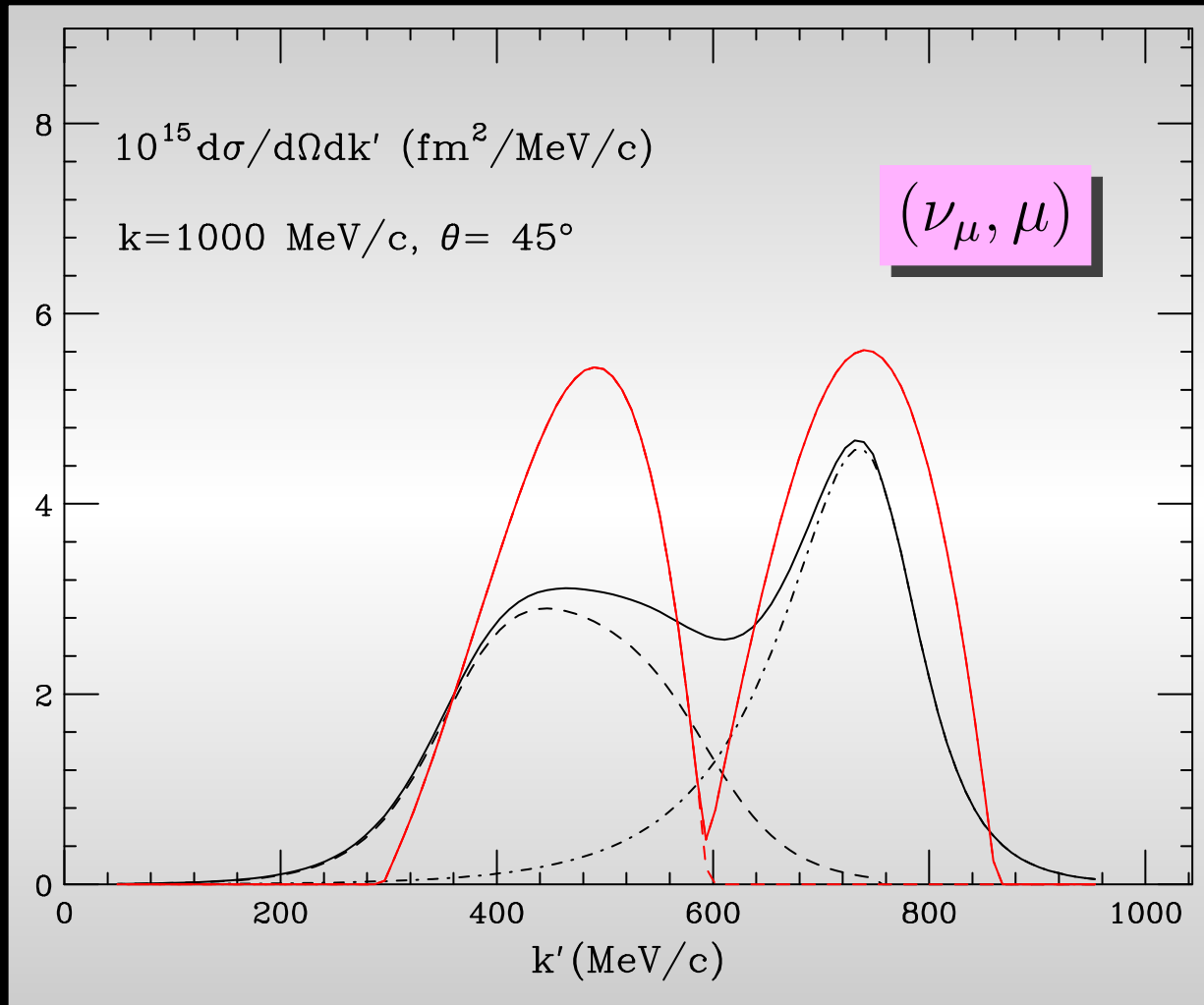
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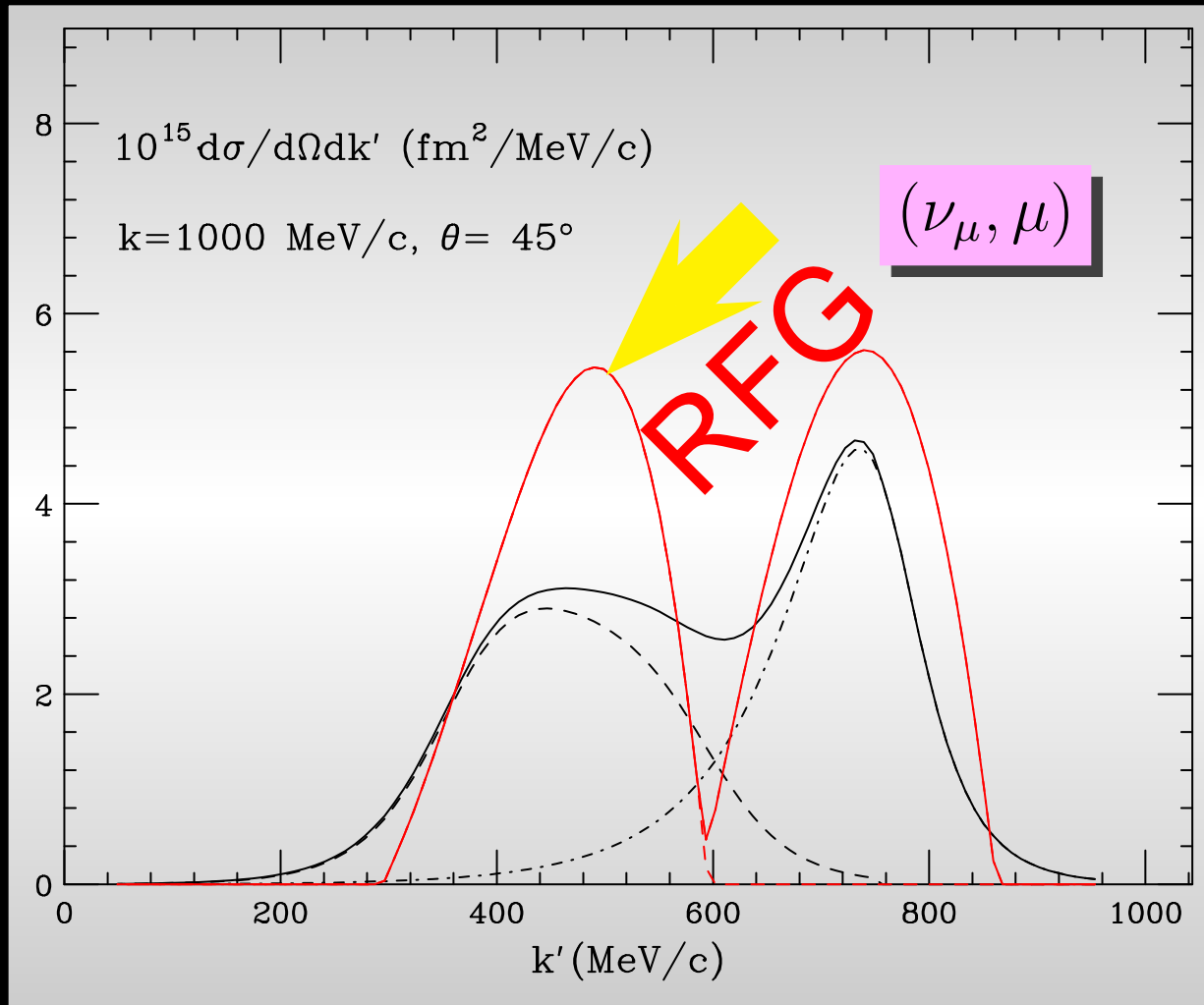
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Comparison with the RFG

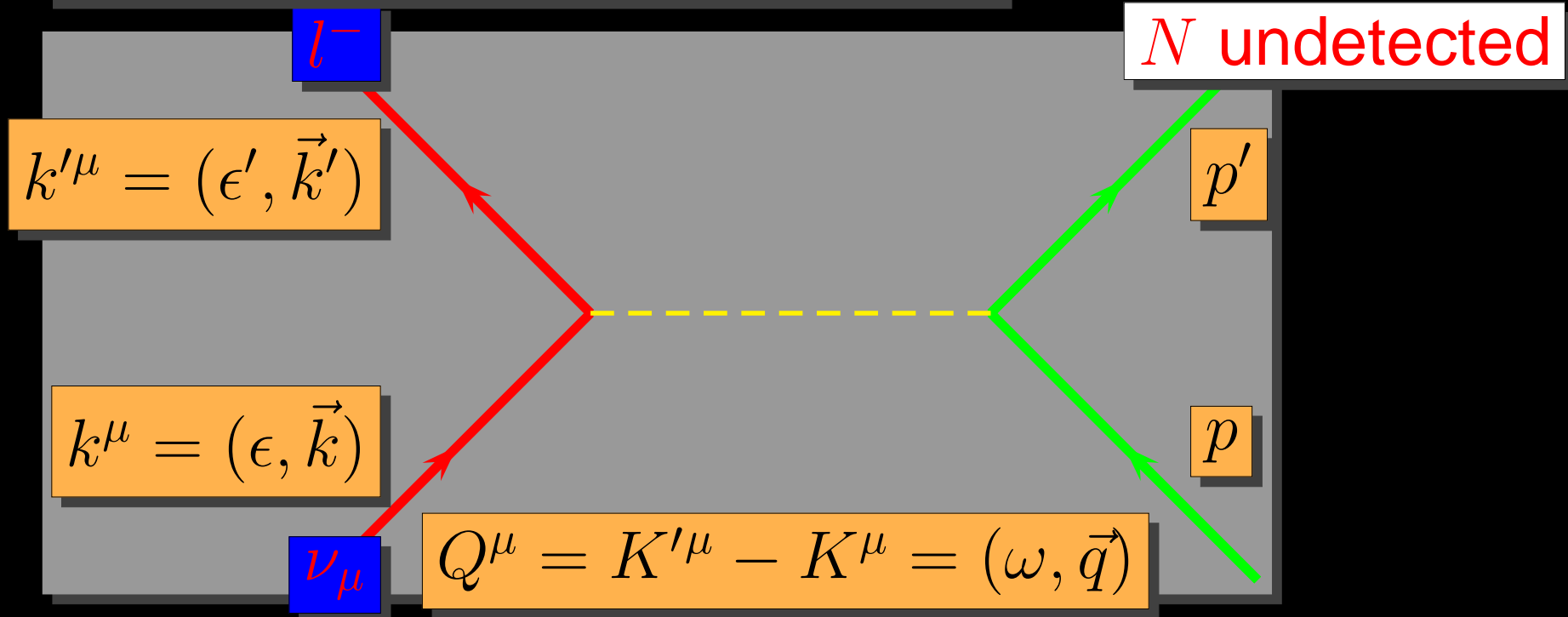


Comparison with the RFG



7 Neutral current neutrino reactions

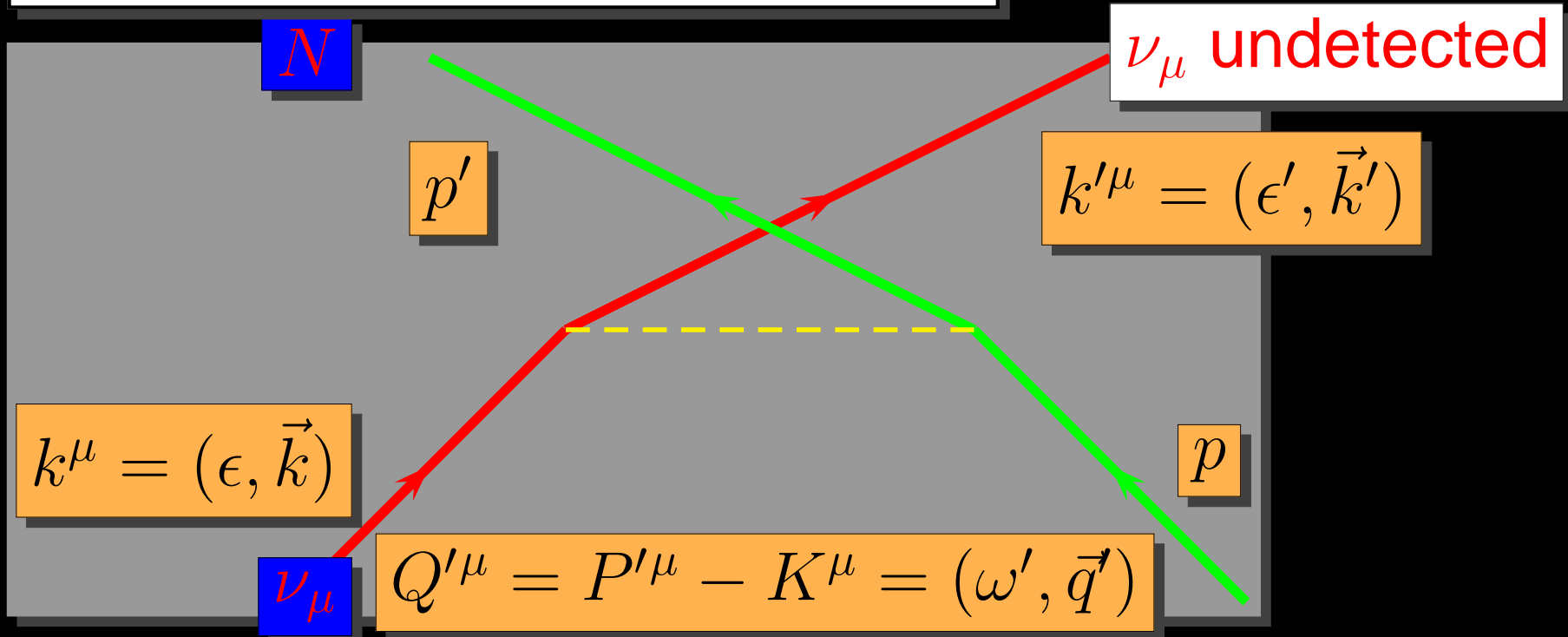
t - Channel inclusive scattering



$$\lambda = \frac{\omega}{2m_N} \quad \kappa = \frac{q}{2m_N} \quad \tau = \kappa^2 - \lambda^2$$

7 Neutral current neutrino reactions

u - Channel inclusive scattering



$$\lambda' = \frac{\omega'}{2m_N} \quad \kappa' = \frac{q'}{2m_N} \quad \tau' = \kappa'^2 - \lambda'^2$$

SuSA approach to NC neutrino scattering

t -channel (ν_l, l^-)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{k'} dk'} = \int d\Omega_N dp_N \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{k'} dk' d\Omega_N dp_N} \simeq \bar{\sigma}_{sn}^{(t)} F^{(t)}(\psi^{(t)})$$

Valid exactly for the RFG

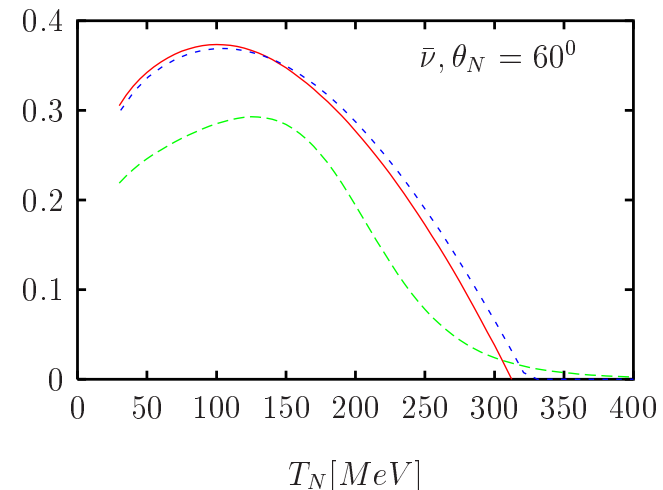
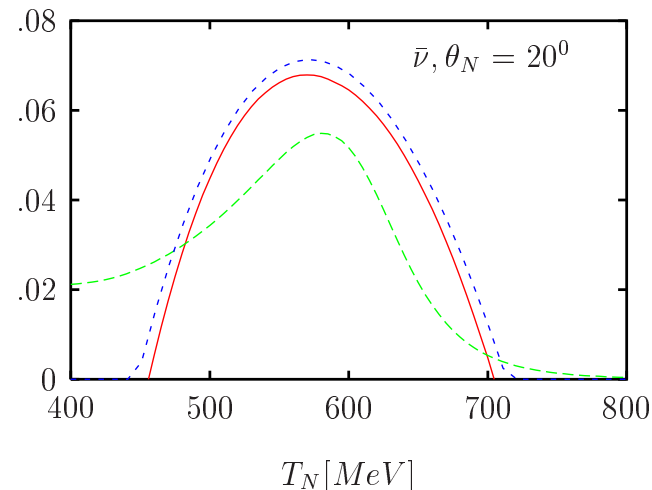
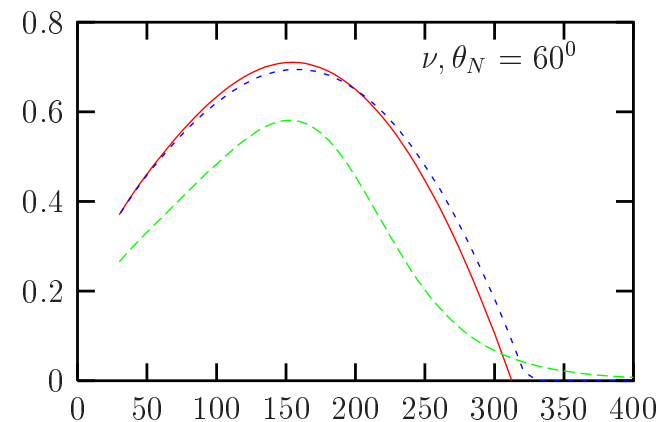
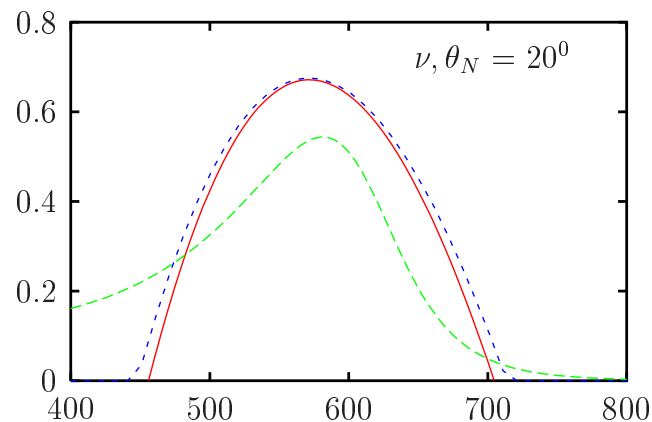
u -channel (ν_l, N)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_N dp_N} = \int d\Omega_{k'} dk' \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{k'} dk' d\Omega_N dp_N} \simeq \bar{\sigma}_{sn}^{(u)} F^{(u)}(\psi^{(u)})$$

Good approximation in the RFG

- Extend the SuSA model to the neutral current u -channel
- Assume that $F^{(u)}(\psi) = F^{(t)}(\psi)$
- Use the phenomenological scaling function extracted from (e, e') data to predict NC ν -nucleus cross sections.

Proton knock-out from ^{12}C

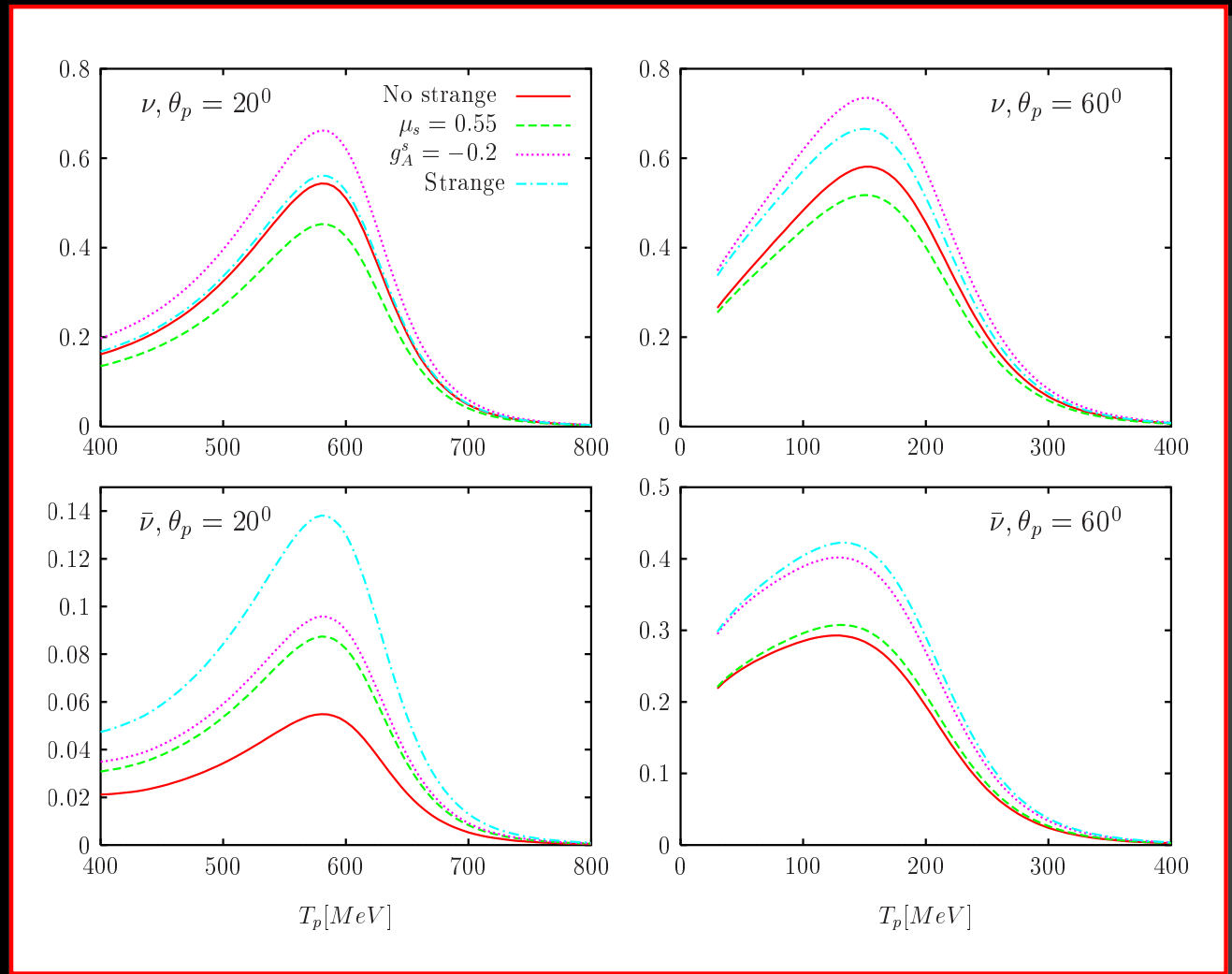


- Blue: RFG
- Red: factorized RFG
- Green: Phenomenological SuSA model

Nucleon strangeness effects

$$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_{\mu}, p)$$

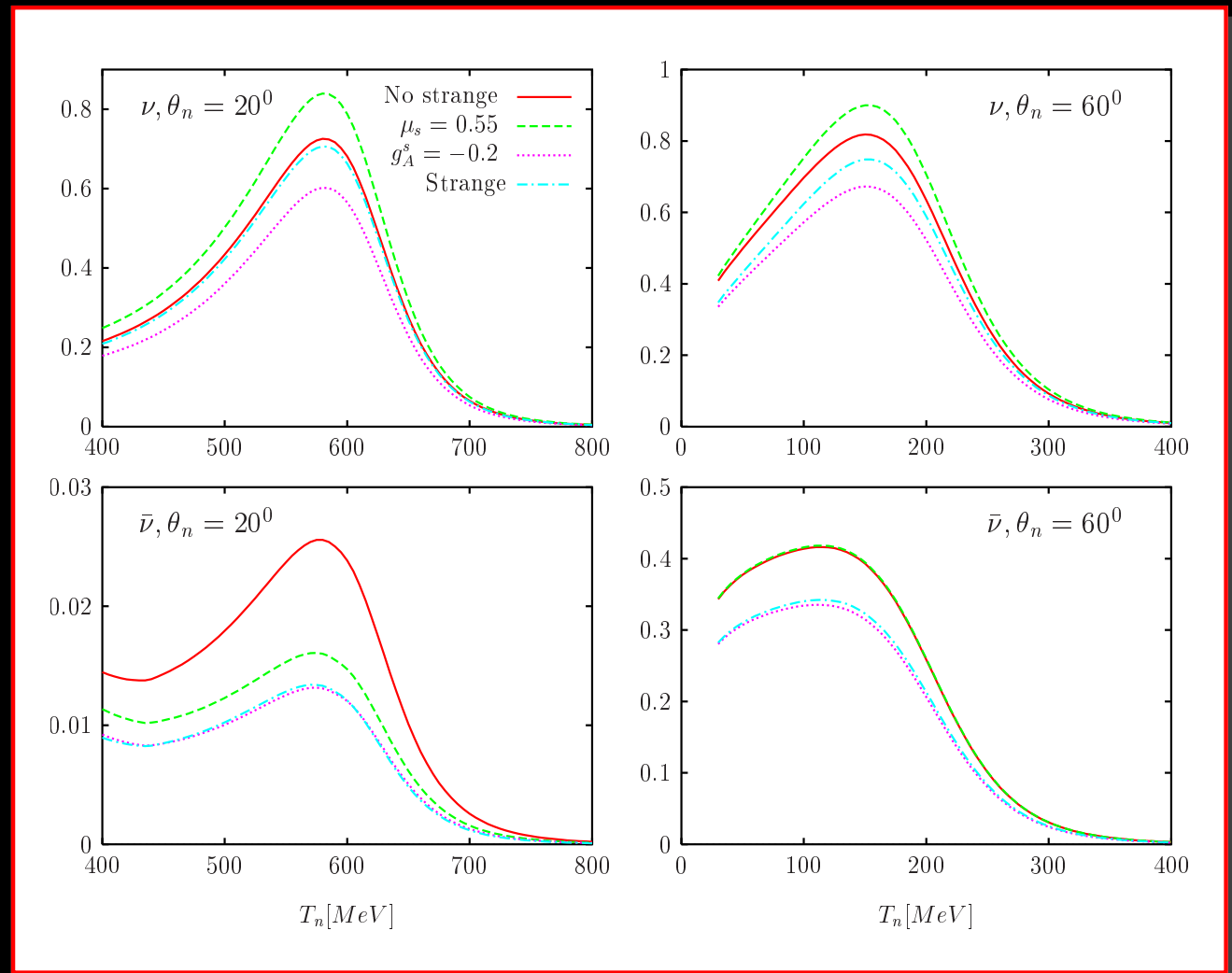
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- Red: no strangeness



Nucleon strangeness effects

$$^{12}\text{C}(\nu_{\mu}, n)$$

- Blue: strangeness
- Red: no strangeness



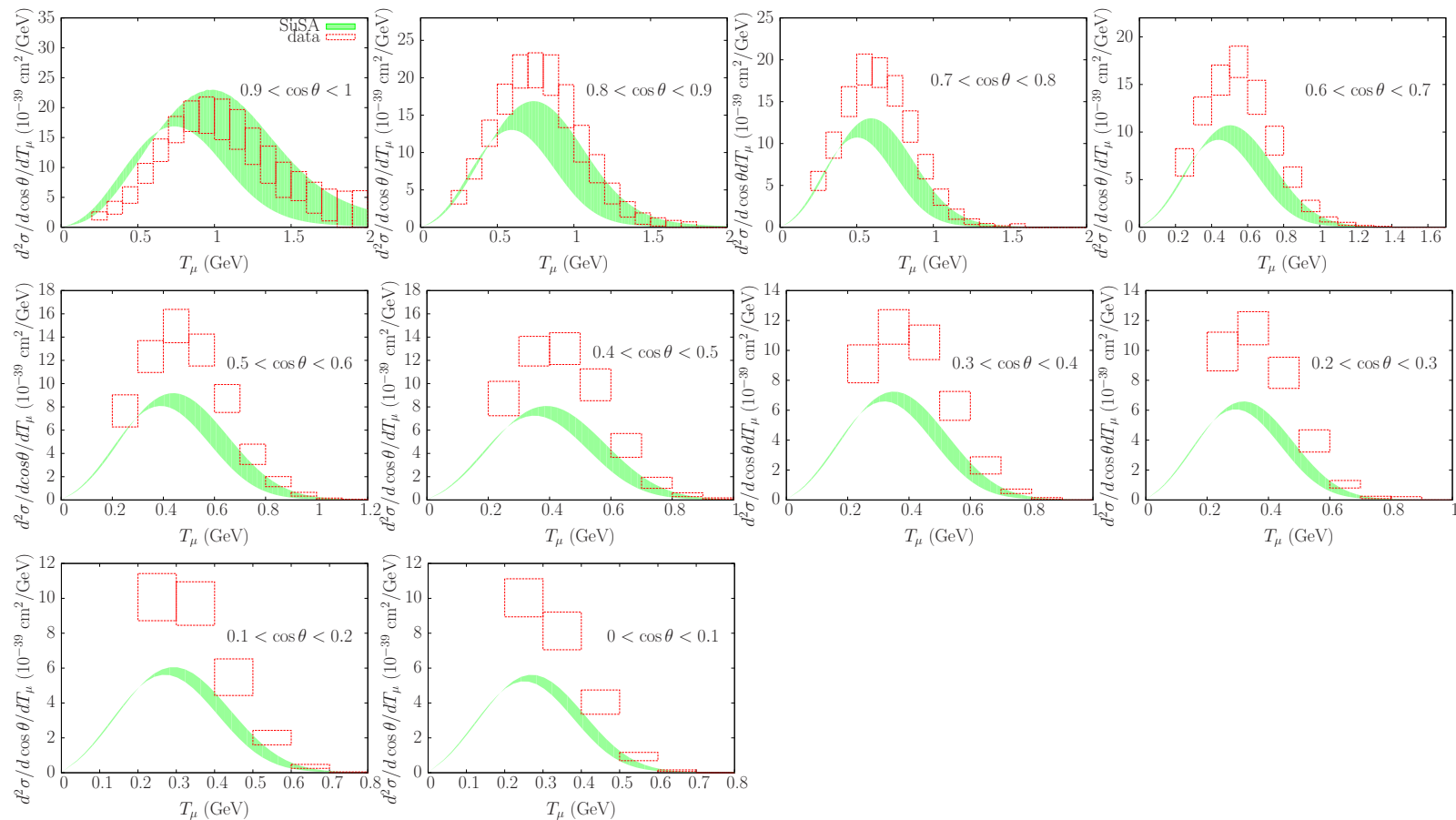
8 *SuSA* predictions for the *MiniBooNE* QE cross section

J.E. Amaro, M.B. Barbaro, J.A. Caballero, T.W. Donnelly, C.F. Williamson, arXiv:1010.1708, 8 Oct 2010

- Double differential neutrino cross sections from ^{12}C
- Integrated over the neutrino flux
- Data from A.A. Aguilar-Arevalo *et al.*, (MiniBooNE Collaboration), PRD 81, 092005 (2010)
- Contribution of vector meson-exchange currents in the 2p-2h sector

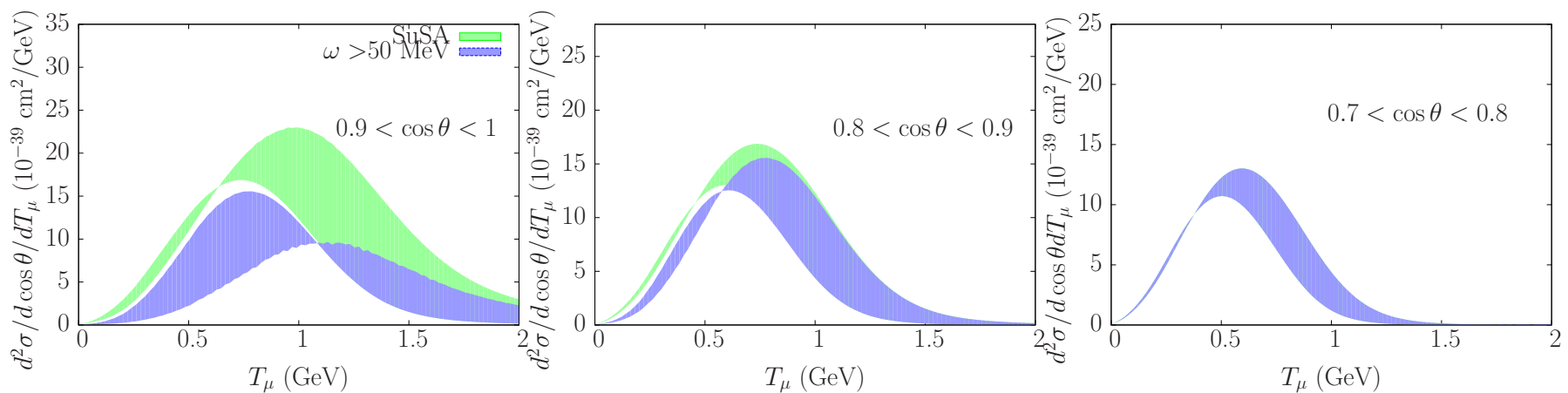
SuSA without MEC

Flux-integrated ν_μ CCQE cross section per target nucleon versus the muon kinetic energy T_μ for various bins of $\cos\theta$. SuSA results fall below the data



The low q, ω region - small angles

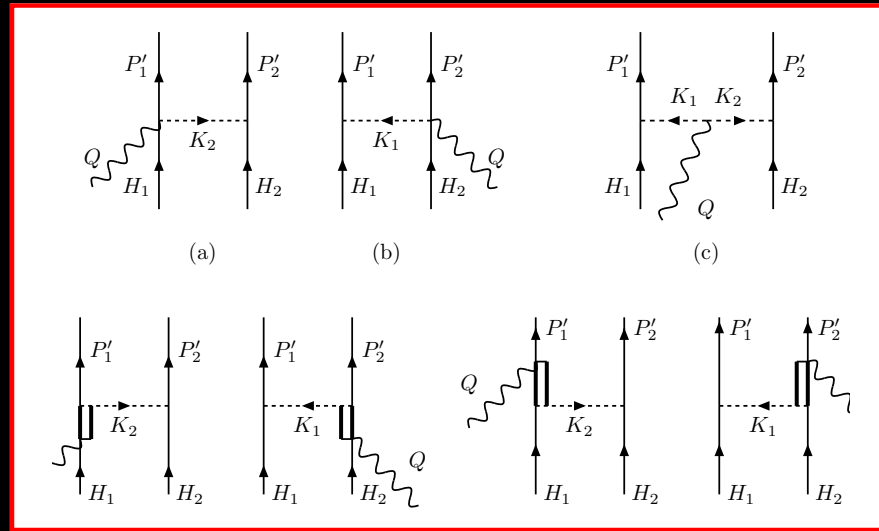
- Approaches like SuSA or the RFG should not be trusted for very forward kinematics.
- Blue band: a lower cut $\omega > 50$ MeV in the integral over neutrino flux



Meson-Exchange Currents (MEC)

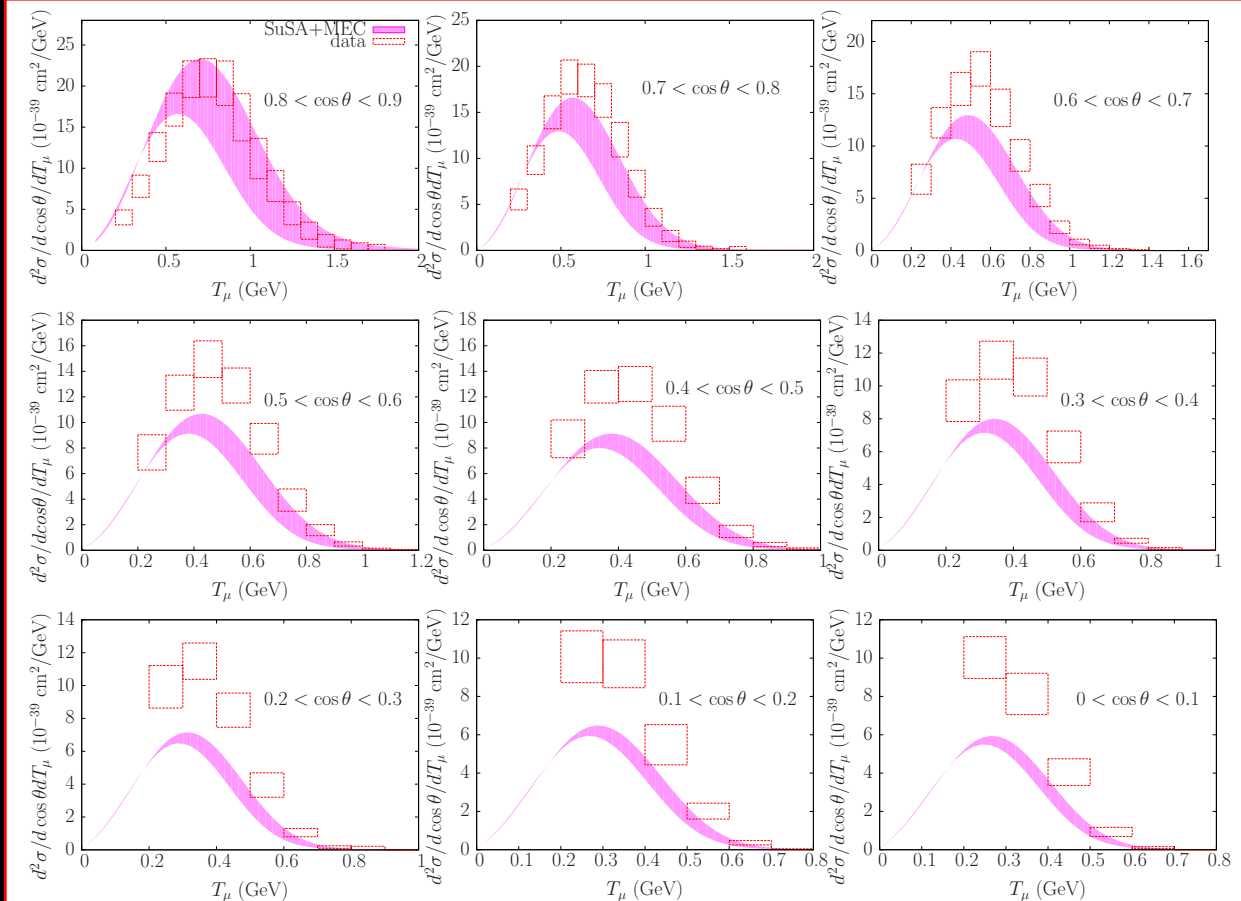
Two-particle two-hole Meson Exchange Currents (MEC)

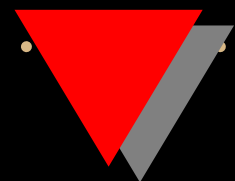
- Relativistic Fermi Gas two-nucleon emission channel
- Added to the SuSA results
- A. De Pace *et al.* NPA 726, 303 (2003)
- J.E. Amaro *et al.* PRC 82, 0444601 (2010)



SuSA plus MEC (2p-2h)

- The MEC tend to increase the cross section
- Agreement with data out to $\cos \theta \sim 0.6$.
- At larger angles the MEC are not sufficient to account for the discrepancy

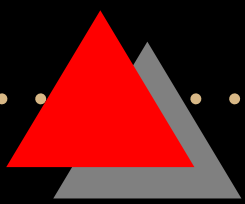
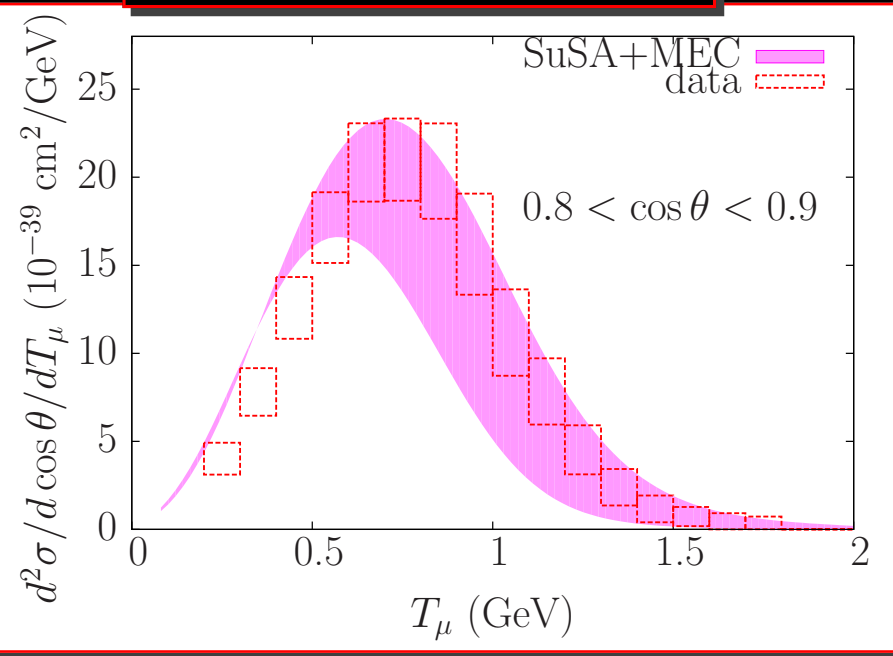
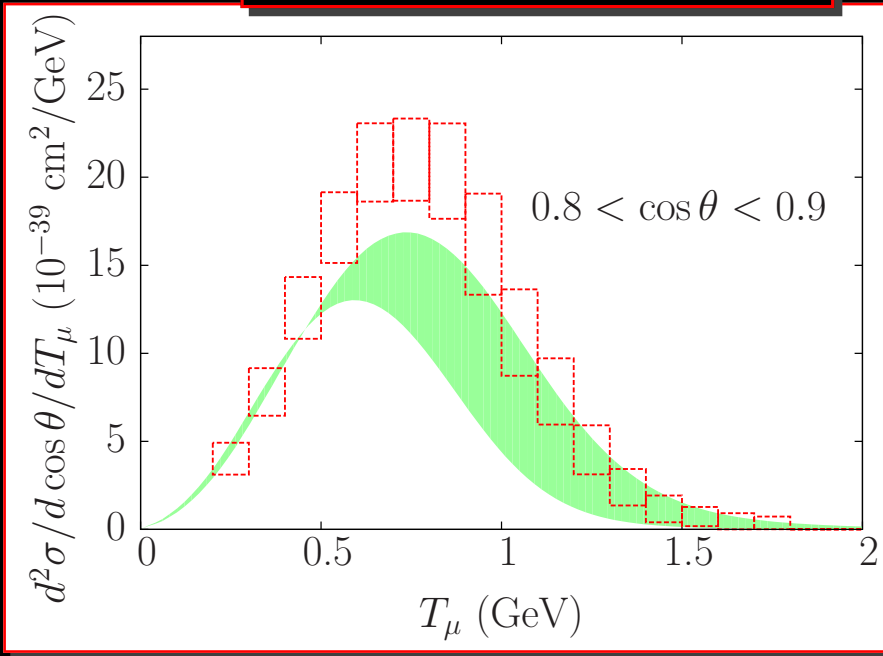


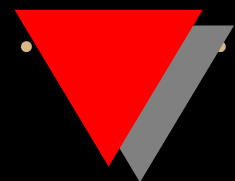


$$0.8 < \cos \theta < 0.9$$

Without MEC

With MEC

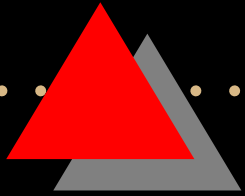
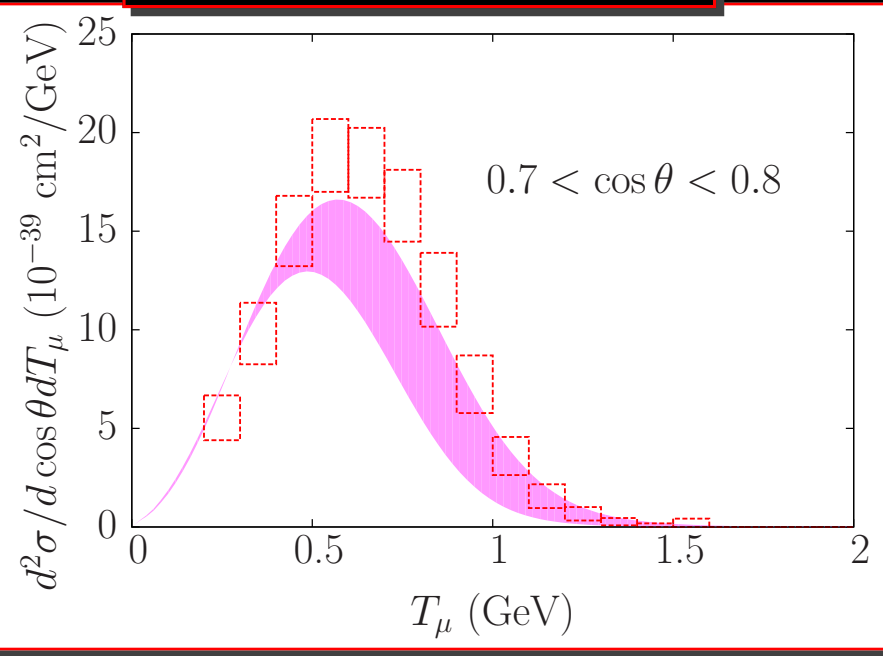
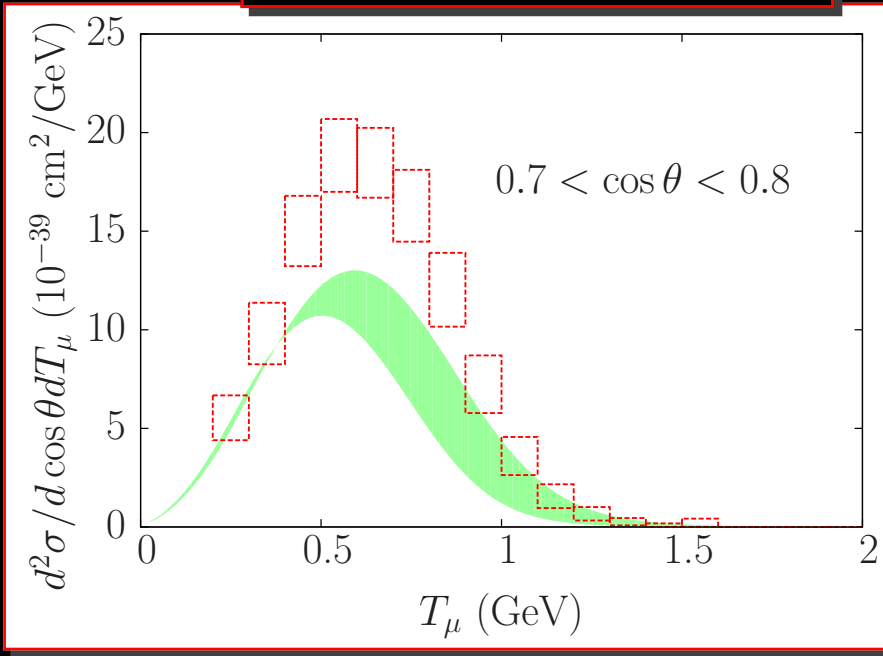


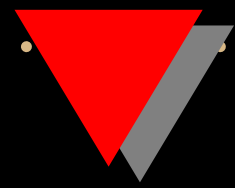


$$0.7 < \cos \theta < 0.8$$

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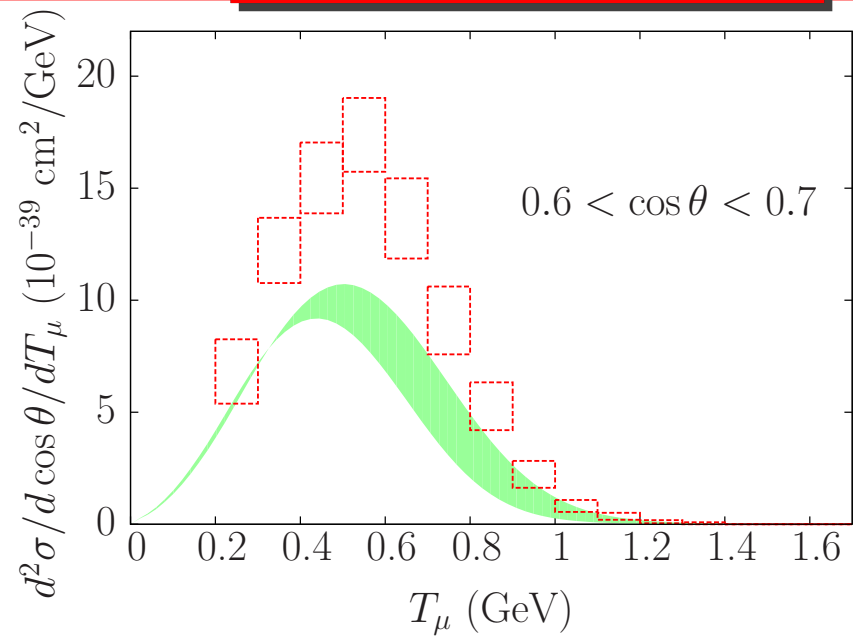
With MEC



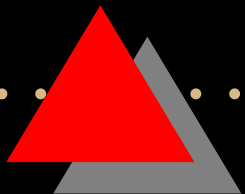
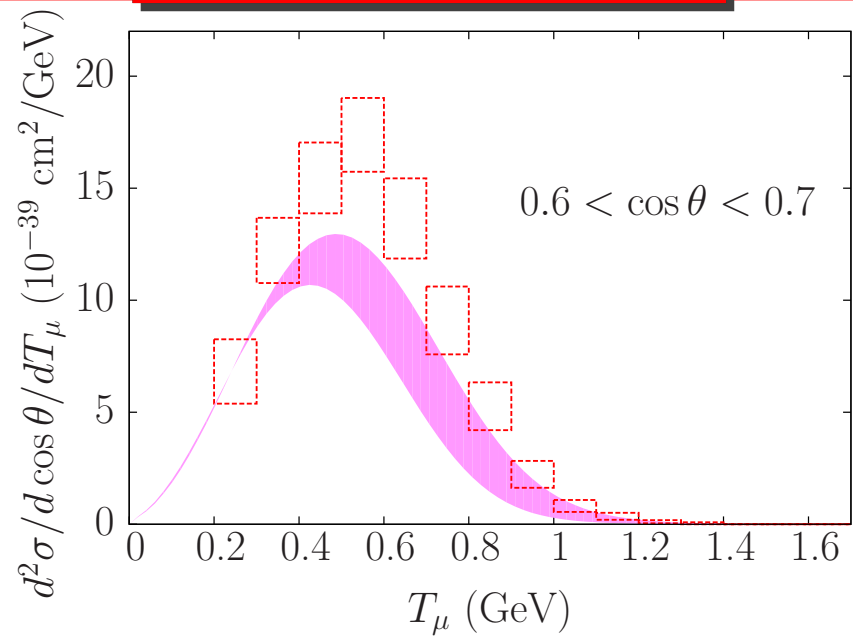


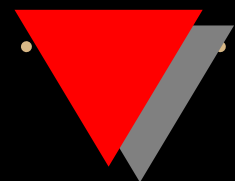
$$0.6 < \cos \theta < 0.7$$

Without MEC



With MEC

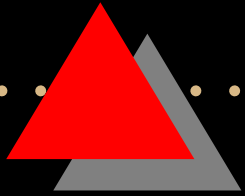
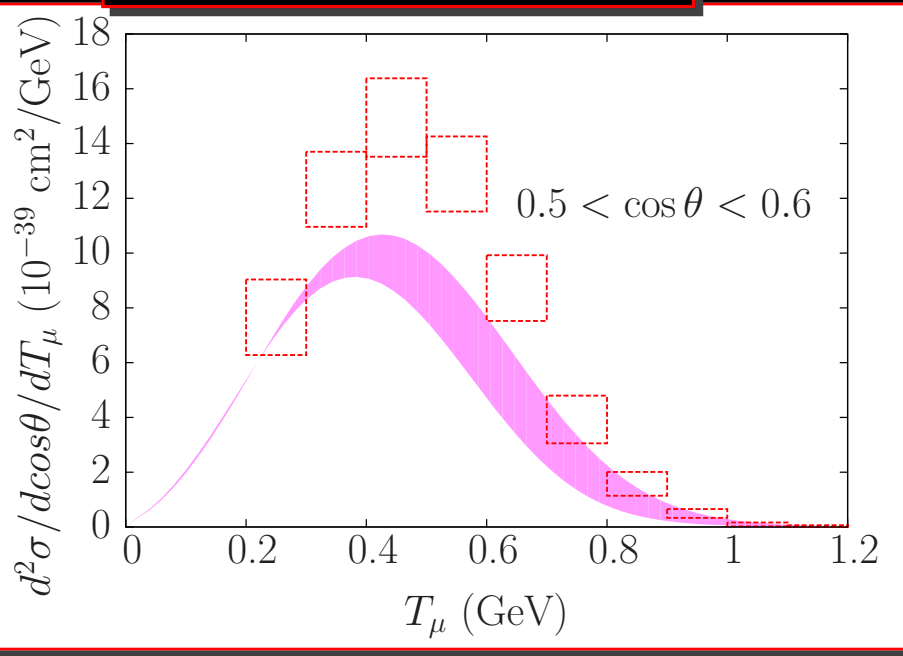
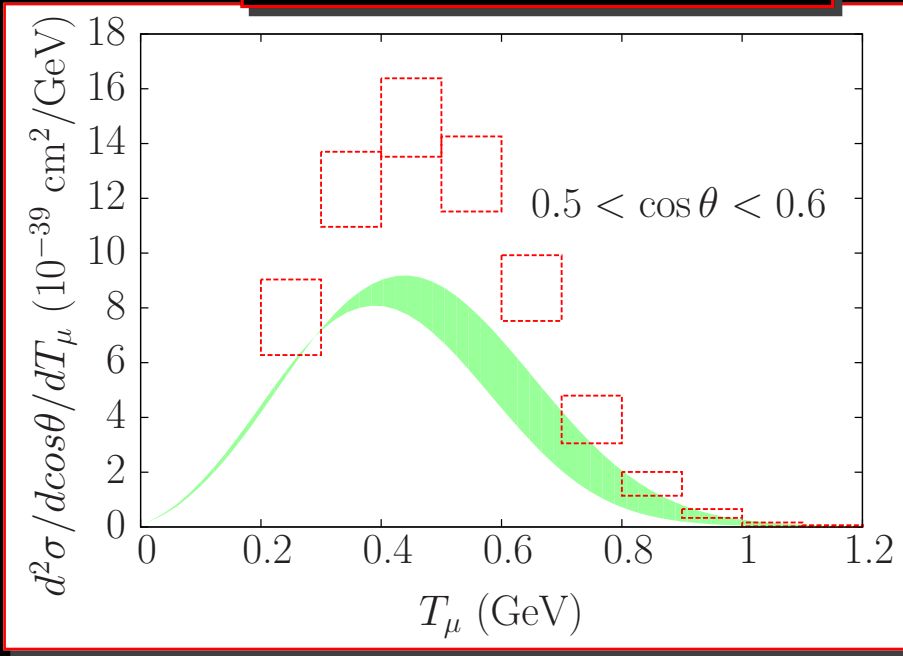


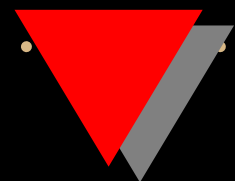


$$0.5 < \cos \theta < 0.6$$

Without MEC

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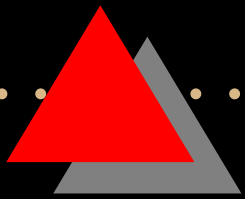
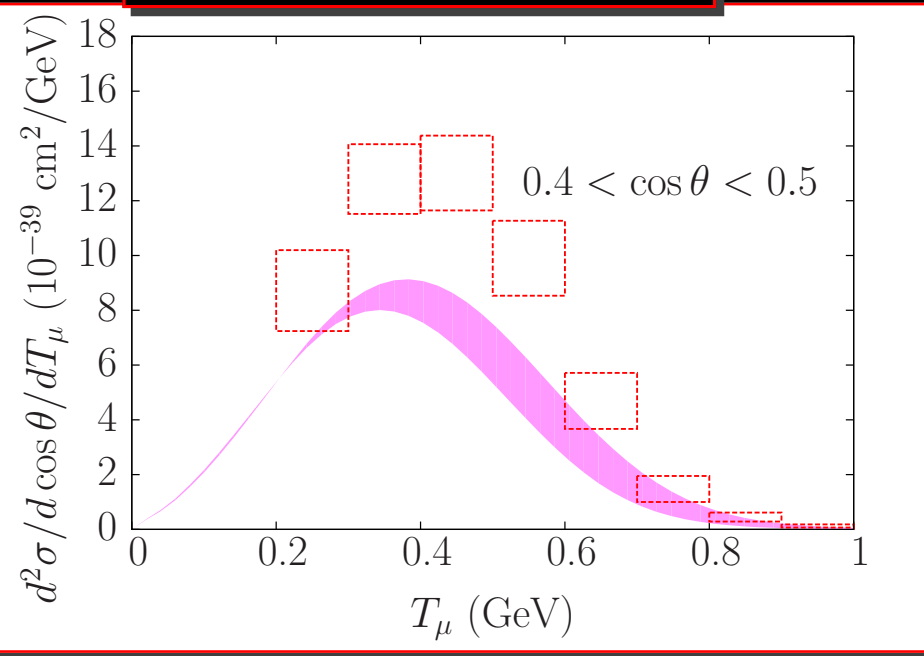
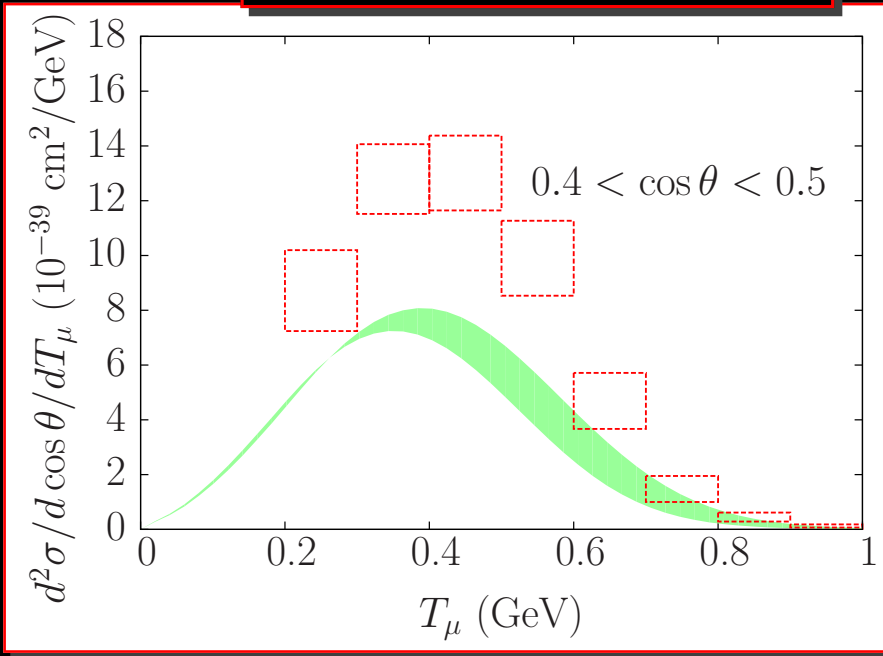


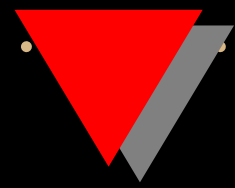


$$0.4 < \cos \theta < 0.5$$

Without MEC

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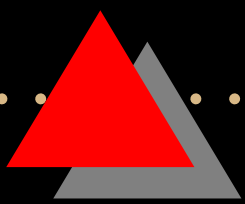
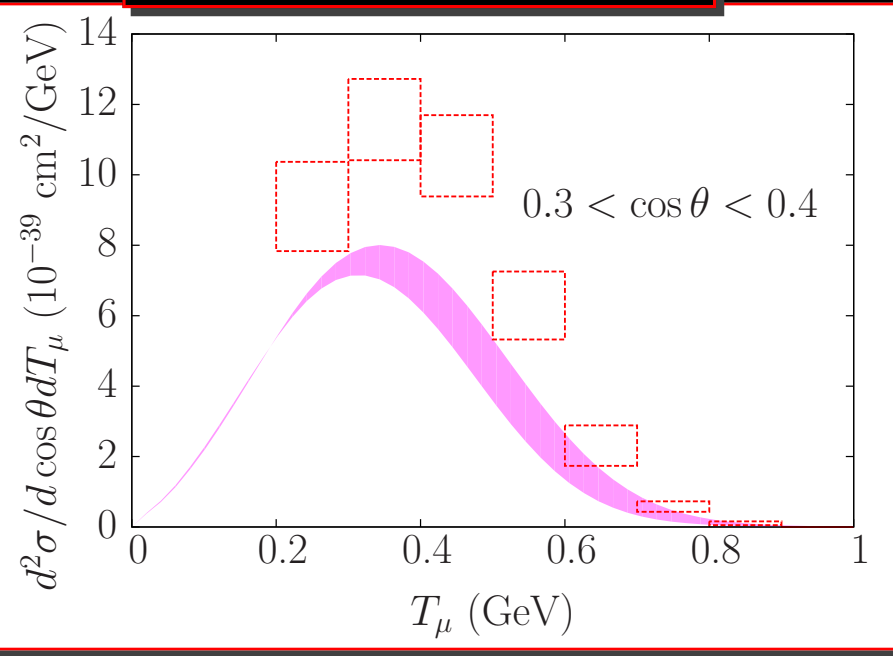
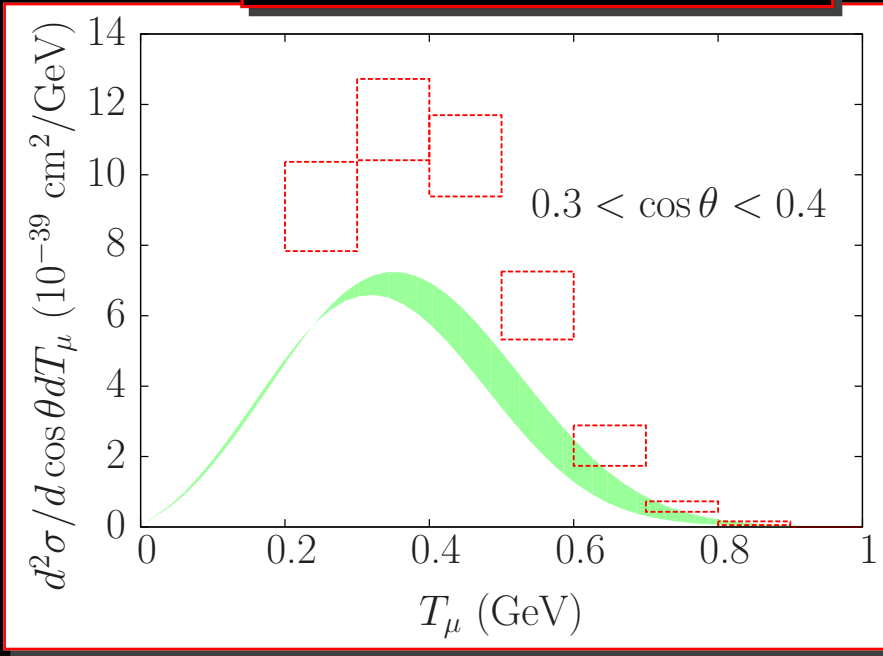


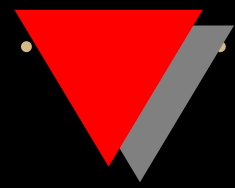


$$0.3 < \cos \theta < 0.4$$

Without MEC

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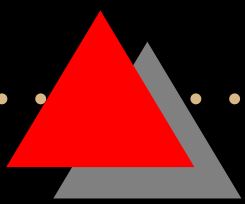
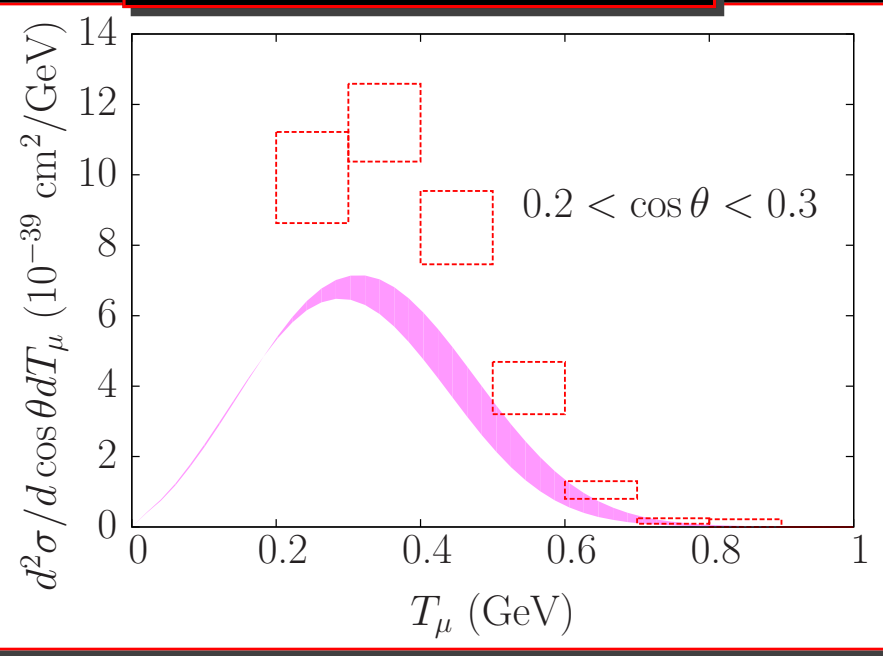
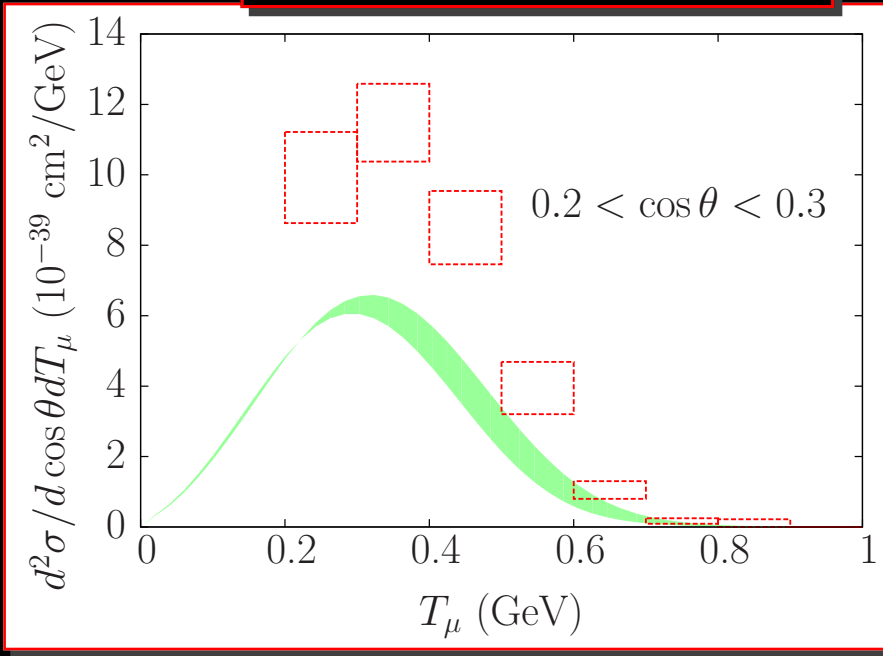




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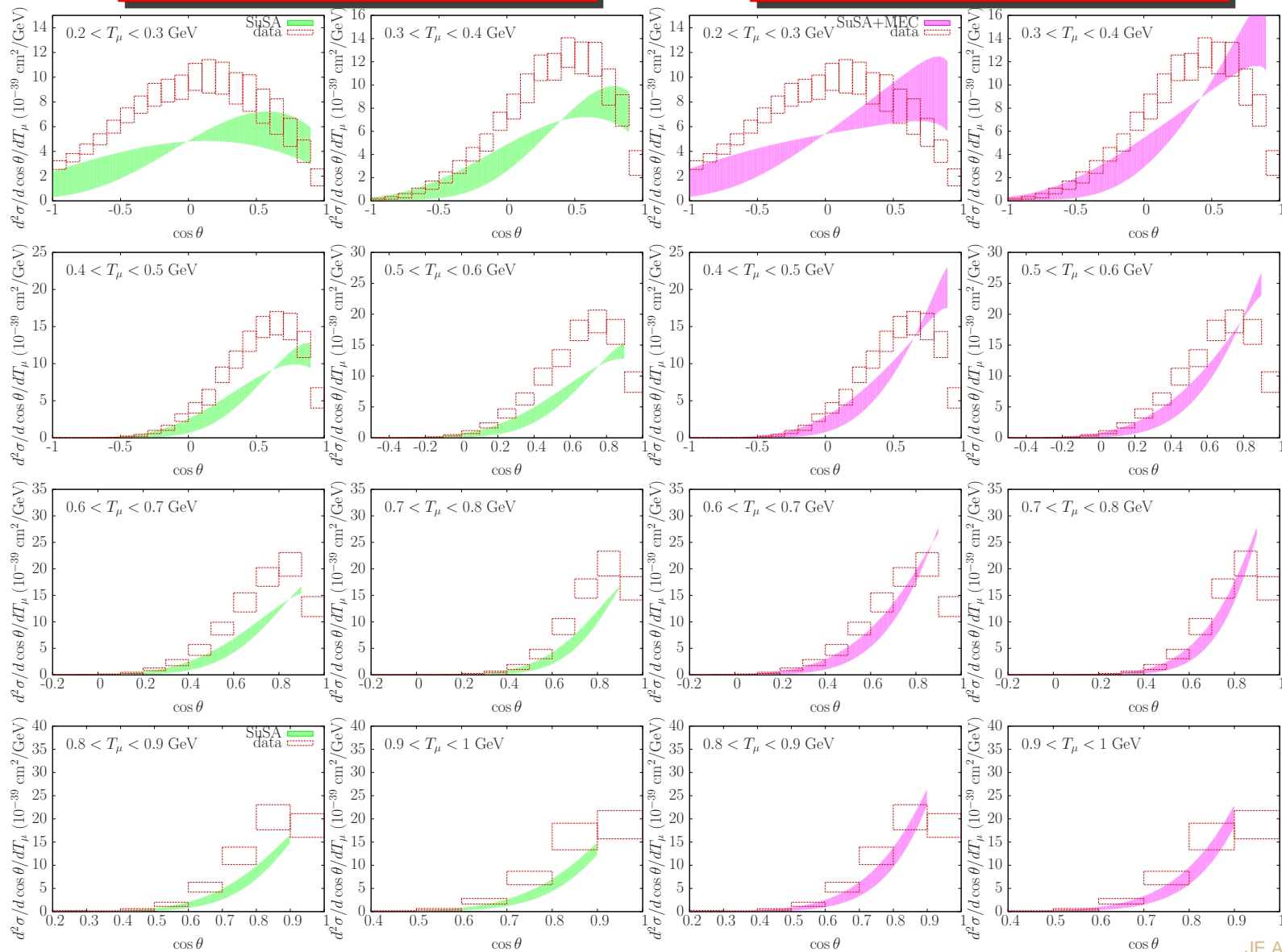
With MEC



SuSA. Versus the scattering angle

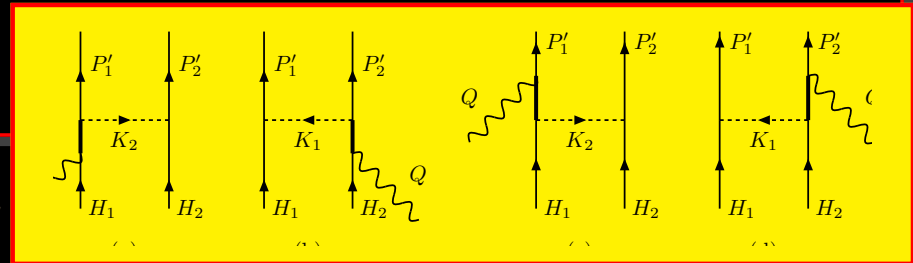
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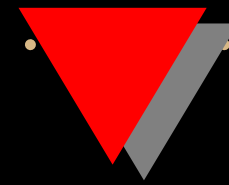


Conclusions and improvements of the model

- Strict SuSA predictions for (ν_μ, μ) QE x-section show a systematic discrepancy between data and theory
- SuSA+ MEC(2p-2h) yields results compatible with data for $\theta < 50^\circ$, but lie below data
- There are indications from RMF studies and from (e, e') data that the vector transverse response should be enhanced over the strict SuSA [Caballero et al, PLB 653 (2007)]
- Contributions of nuclear strong correlations to 2p-2h excitations also enhance the cross section in RFG [Amaro et al., PRC 82 (2010)]



SuSA predictions for QE ν -nucleus scattering



THANK YOU

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