

New M2 beamline at CERN SPS from the AMBER perspective

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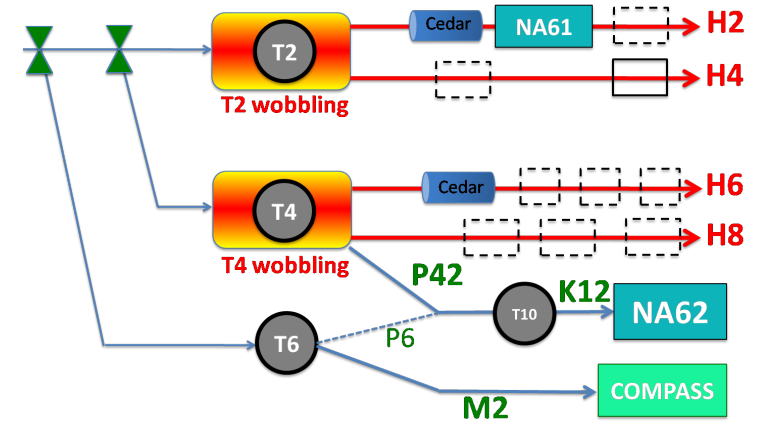
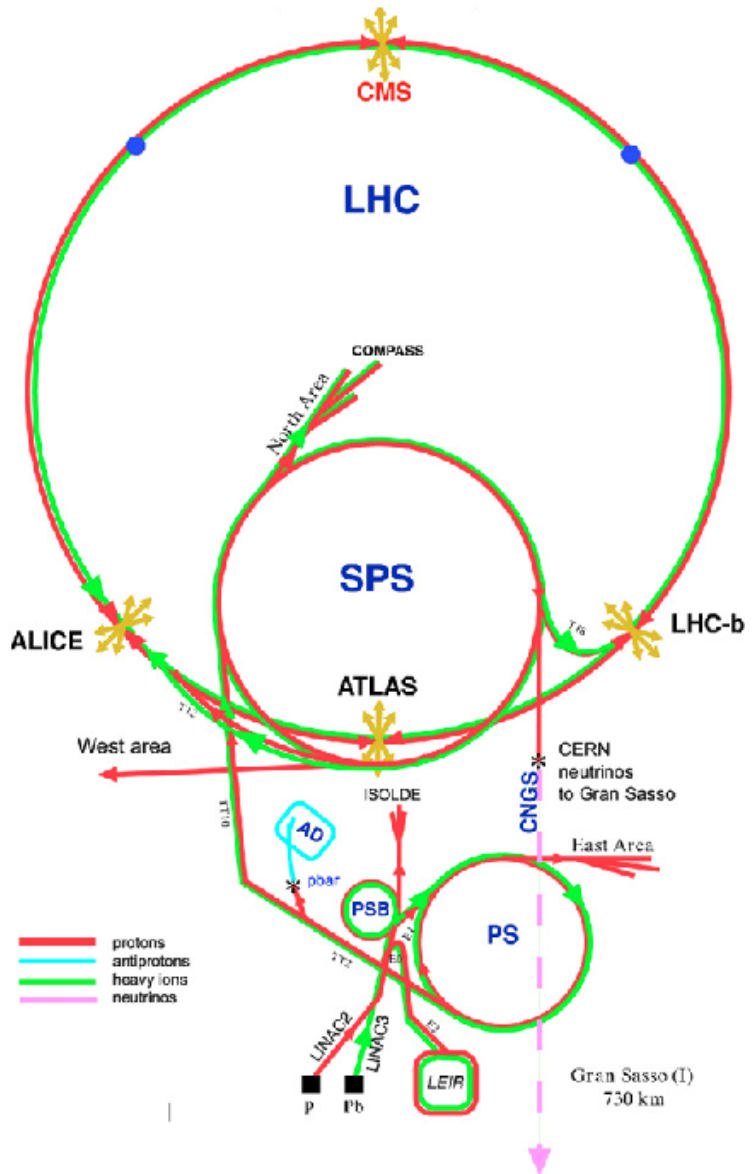
The opportunity:

In the North Area at CERN, SPS beam of high-intensity and high-energy is hitting several primary targets. The secondary beams obtained supply different beamlines

At the M2 beamline, unique-in-the-world beams are available:

- Muon beams of both charges
- Hadron beams of both charges

In a wide range of momenta: 50 – 280 GeV/c



From COMPASS to AMBER



Apparatus for
Meson and
Baryon
Experimental
Research

The COMPASS experiment. (Image: CERN)

physics possibilities

Program	Physics Goals	Beam Energy [GeV]	Beam Intensity [s^{-1}]	Trigger Rate [kHz]	Beam Type	Target	Earliest start time, duration	Hardware additions
muon-proton elastic scattering	Precision proton-radius measurement	100	$4 \cdot 10^6$	100	μ^\pm	high-pressure H2	2022 1 year	active TPC, SciFi trigger, silicon veto,
Hard exclusive reactions	GPD E	160	$2 \cdot 10^7$	10	μ^\pm	NH_3^\uparrow	2022 2 years	recoil silicon, modified polarised target magnet
Input for Dark Matter Search	\bar{p} production cross section	20-280	$5 \cdot 10^5$	25	p	LH2, LHe	2022 1 month	liquid helium target
\bar{p} -induced spectroscopy	Heavy quark exotics	12, 20	$5 \cdot 10^7$	25	\bar{p}	LH2	2022 2 years	target spectrometer: tracking, calorimetry
Drell-Yan	Pion PDFs	190	$7 \cdot 10^7$	25	π^\pm	C/W	2022 1-2 years	
Drell-Yan (RF)	Kaon PDFs & Nucleon TMDs	~ 100	10^8	25-50	K^\pm, \bar{p}	NH_3^\uparrow , C/W	2026 2-3 years	"active absorber", vertex detector
Primakoff (RF)	Kaon polarisability & pion life time	~ 100	$5 \cdot 10^6$	> 10	K^-	Ni	non-exclusive 2026 1 year	
Prompt Photons (RF)	Meson gluon PDFs	≥ 100	$5 \cdot 10^6$	10-100	K^\pm π^\pm	LH2, Ni	non-exclusive 2026 1-2 years	hodoscope
K -induced Spectroscopy (RF)	High-precision strange-meson spectrum	50-100	$5 \cdot 10^6$	25	K^-	LH2	2026 1 year	recoil TOF, forward PID
Vector mesons (RF)	Spin Density Matrix Elements	50-100	$5 \cdot 10^6$	10-100	K^\pm, π^\pm	from H to Pb	2026 1 year	

...as expressed in the Lol:

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1808.00848.pdf>

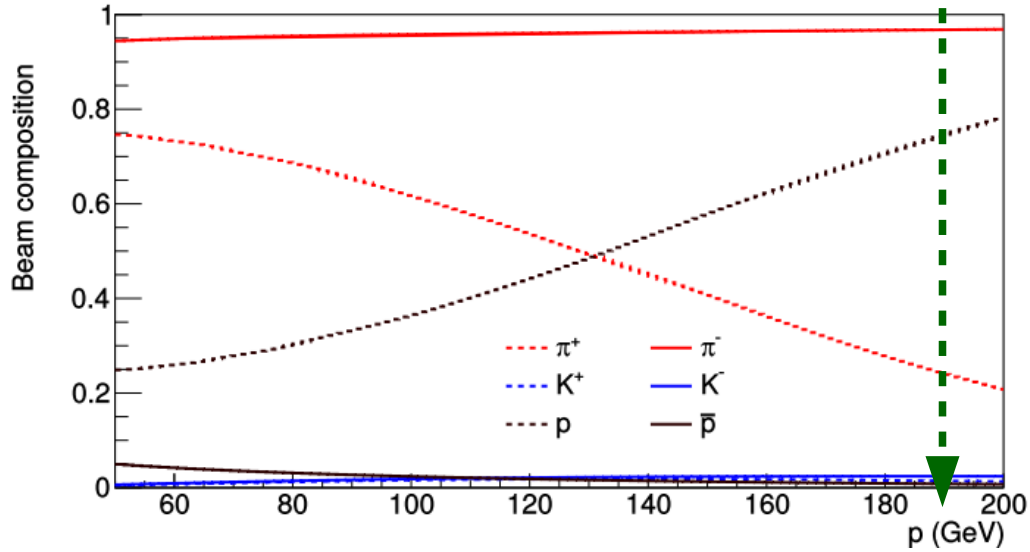
Phase-I

AMBER Proposal Phase-I:

<http://cds.cern.ch/record/2676885?ln=en>

Phase-II

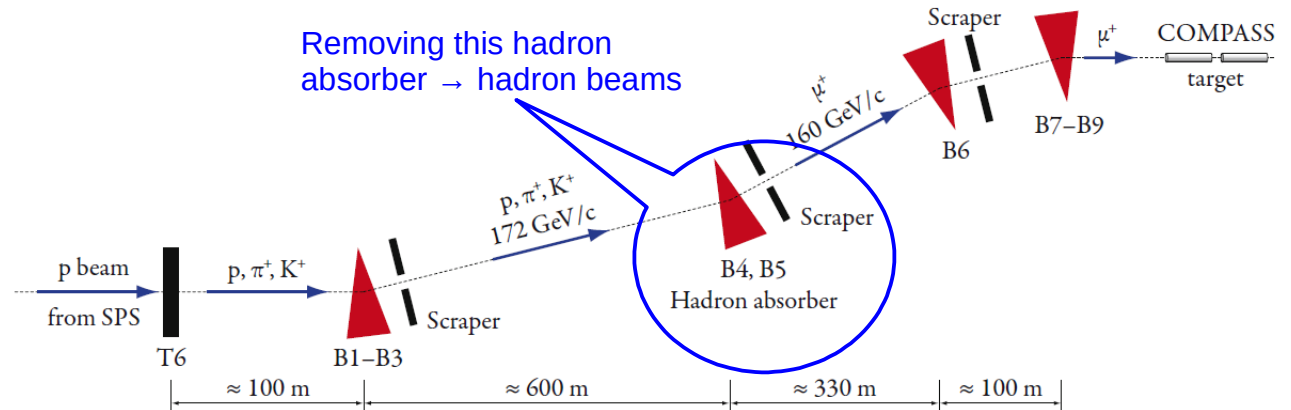
M2 beamline



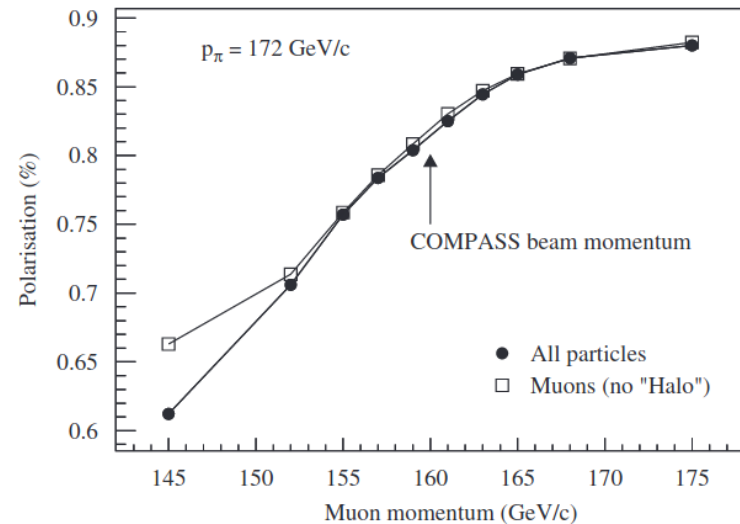
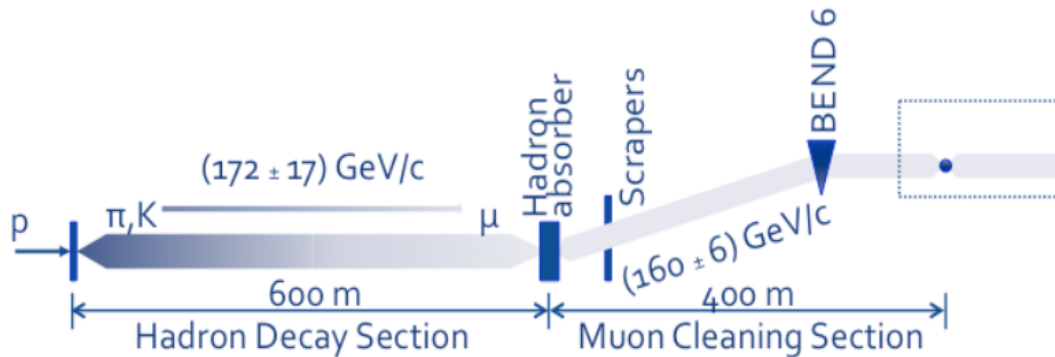
At 190 GeV/c:

- Negative: 97% π^- , 2.5% K^- , < 1% \bar{p}
- Positive: 74% p , 24% π^+ , 2% K^+

The same beamline can provide muon and hadron beams



The muon beam

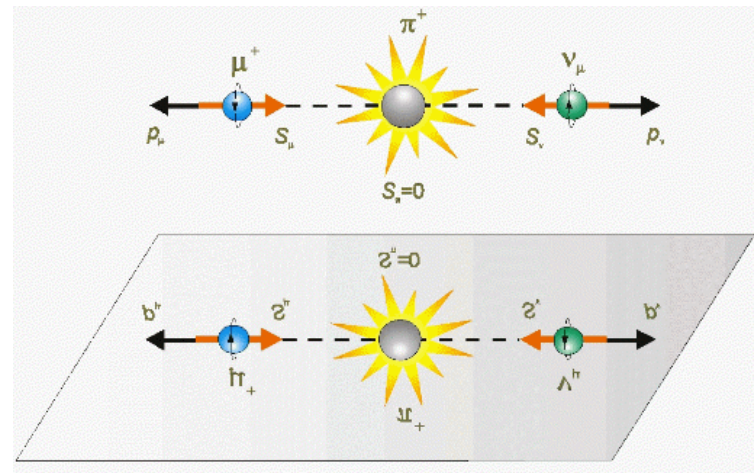


Pion weak decay:



Only left-handed neutrinos

Polarized μ^+ :
their spin must be antiparallel to their direction of flight



The physics questions to be answered:

The massive world we observe is made of protons – stable particles composed of quarks and gluons.

The variety of hadrons, mostly short-lived, and why their very different characteristics, Is the subject of Quantum Chromodynamics.

Emergence of Hadron Mass

Pion



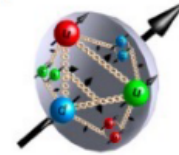
- $M_\pi \sim 140\text{MeV}$
- Spin 0
- 2 light valence quarks

Kaon



- $M_K \sim 490\text{MeV}$
- Spin 0
- 1 light and 1 "heavy" valence quarks

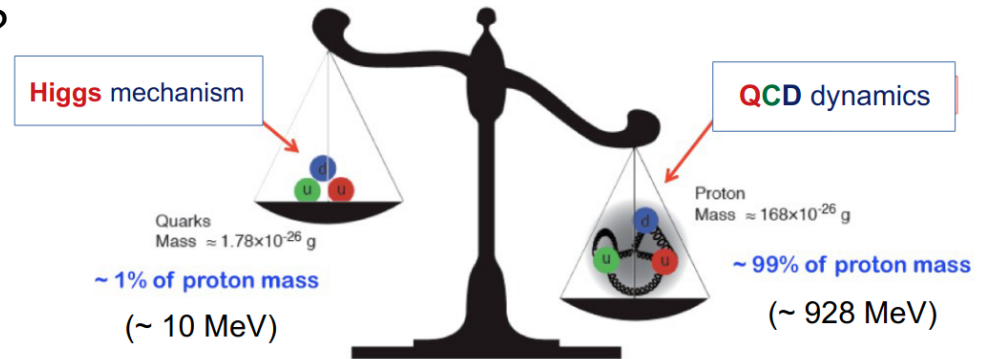
Proton



- $M_p \sim 940\text{MeV}$
- Spin 1/2
- 3 light valence quarks

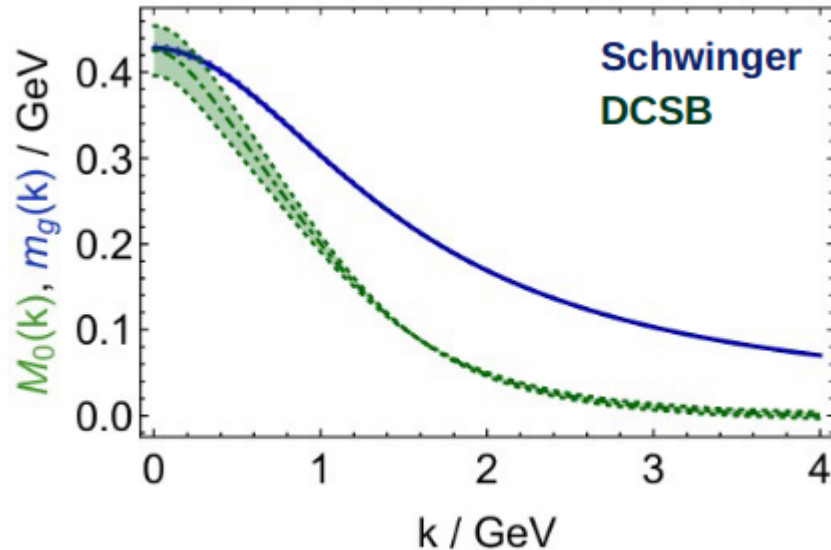
How to understand that $M_\pi / M_p \sim 1/7$, while from constituent-quarks model one would expect $\sim 2/3$?

Only 1% of the proton mass is due to the Higgs mechanism.

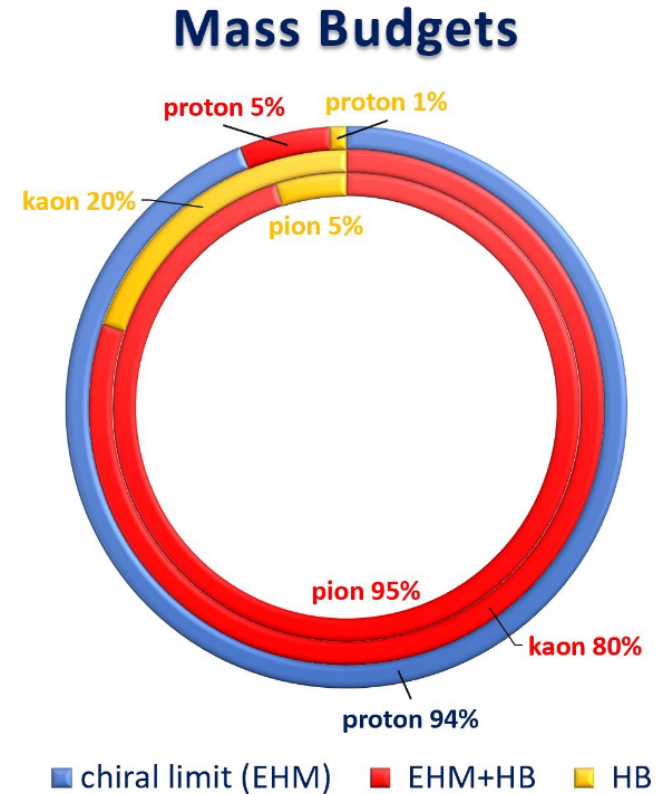


Emergence of Hadron Mass

Dynamic Chiral Symmetry Breaking of QCD leads to the quarks and gluons rapidly acquiring a running mass in the infrared limit



Gluon and quark *running masses*



EHM at AMBER

The Emergence of Hadron Mass is the leitmotiv for the various proposed measurements.

EHM is key for understanding QCD, a theoretical approach that addresses:

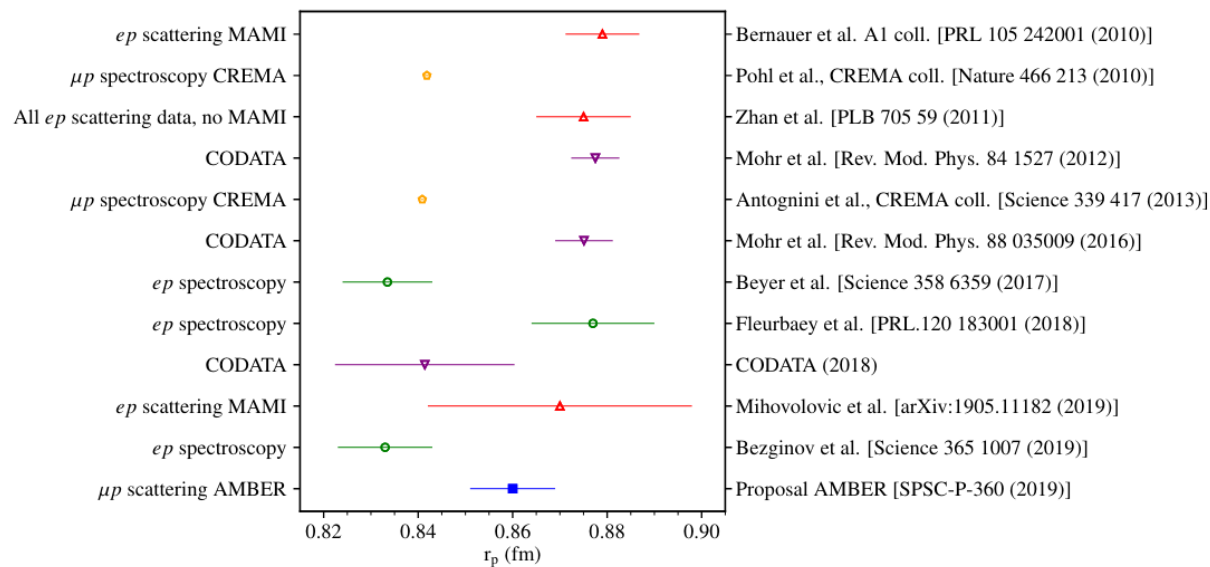
- Hadron charge radii
- Hadron masses
- Hadron spectroscopy
- Hadron structure

... and all this to be validated by:

- Lattice calculations
- **Experimental measurements**

1) The proton charge radius puzzle

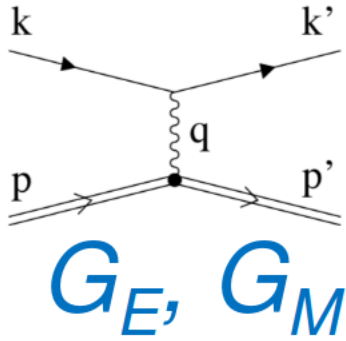
Status in October 2019:



Two types of measurements: **lepton-proton scattering** and **hydrogen spectroscopy** leading to discrepant results $\rightarrow \sim 5 \sigma$

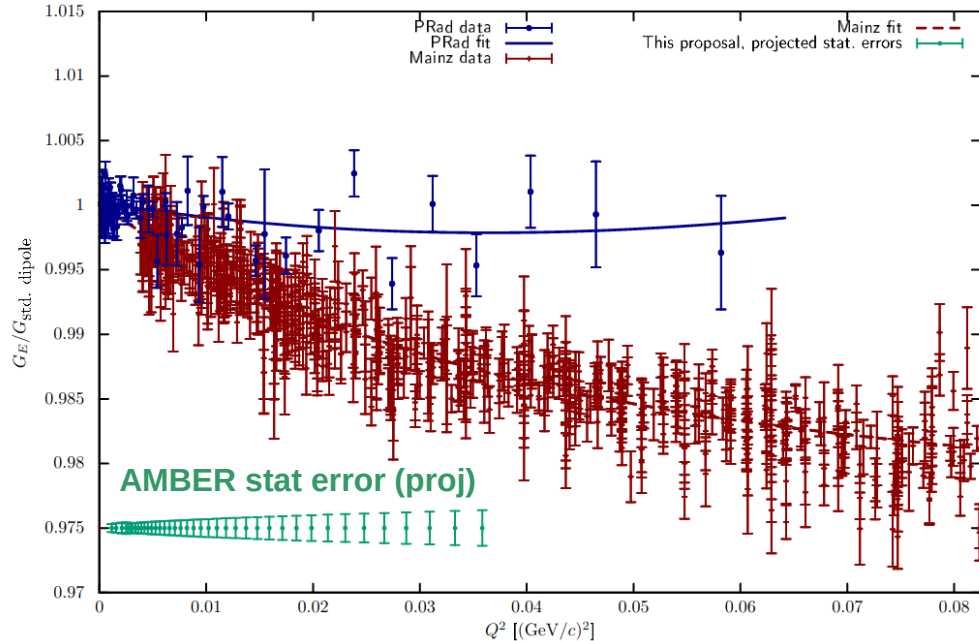
Proton radius at AMBER

The proton charge radius can be accessed via the electromagnetic form factors. Experimentally, AMBER will measure the **elastic muon-proton scattering** for this:

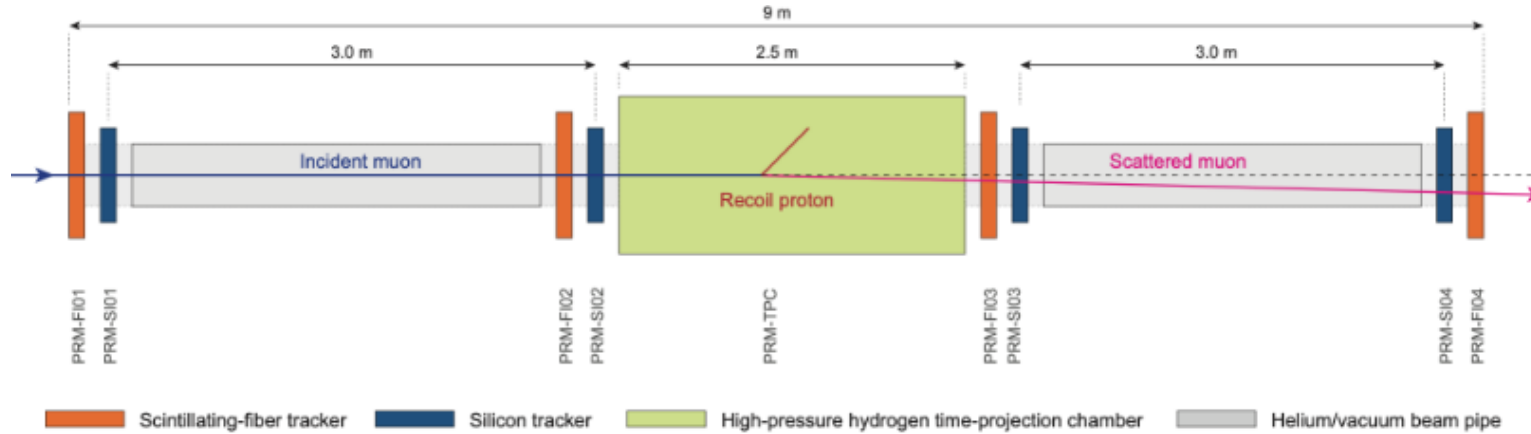


$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4 m_p^2 \vec{p}_\mu^2} \left[\left(G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2 \right) \frac{4E_\mu^2 m_p^2 - Q^2 (s - m_\mu^2)}{1 + \tau} - G_M^2 \frac{2m_\mu^2 Q^2 - Q^4}{2} \right]$$

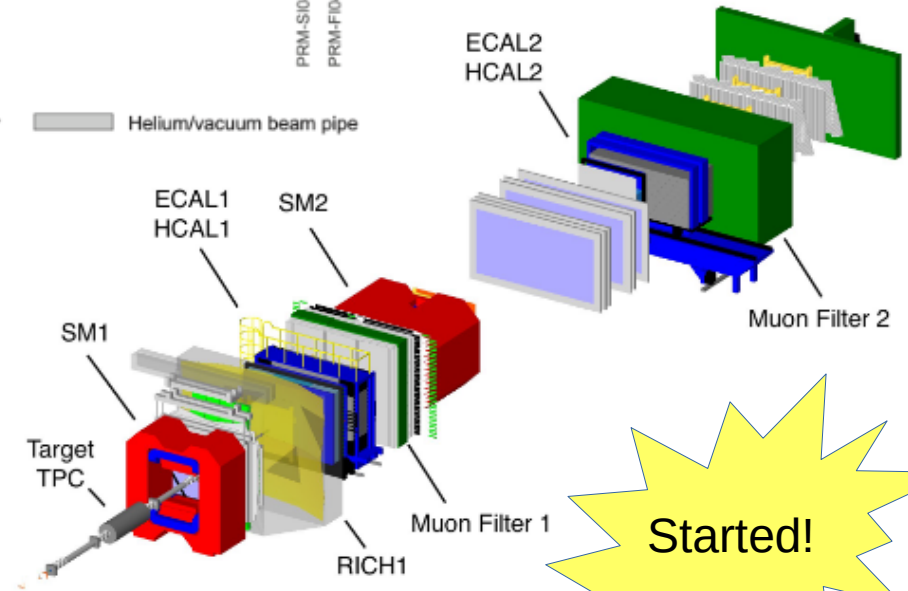
$$\langle r_E^2 \rangle = -6\hbar^2 \left. \frac{dG_E(Q^2)}{dQ^2} \right|_{Q^2 \rightarrow 0}$$



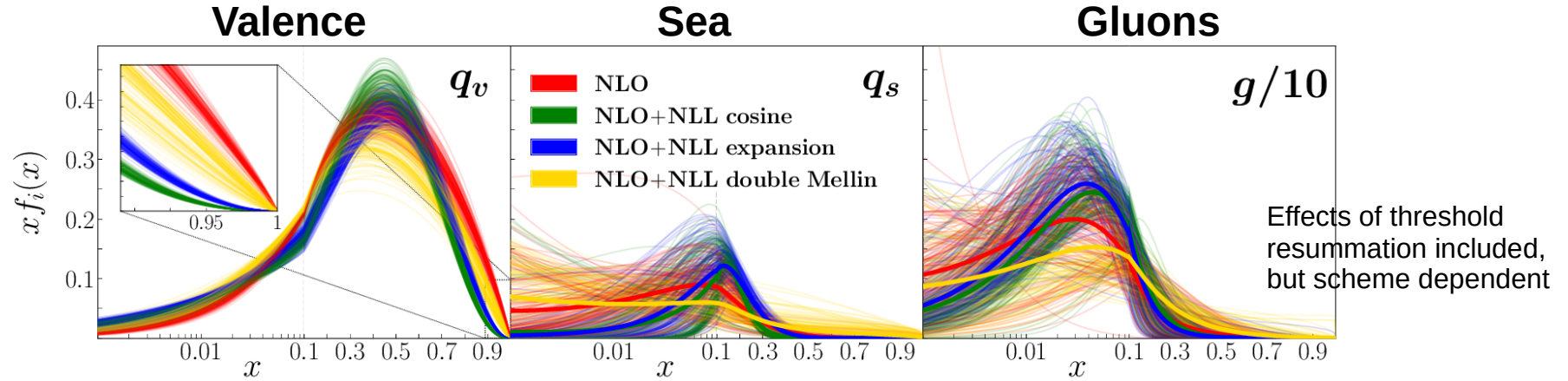
Muon-proton high energy scattering



- 100 GeV muon beam
- Active-target TPC with high-pressure H₂
- goal: 70 million elastic scattering events in the $10^{-3} < Q^2 < 4 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ GeV}^2$ range
- Precision on the proton radius $\sim 0.01 \text{ fm}$
- Pilot run with smaller TPC in 2021

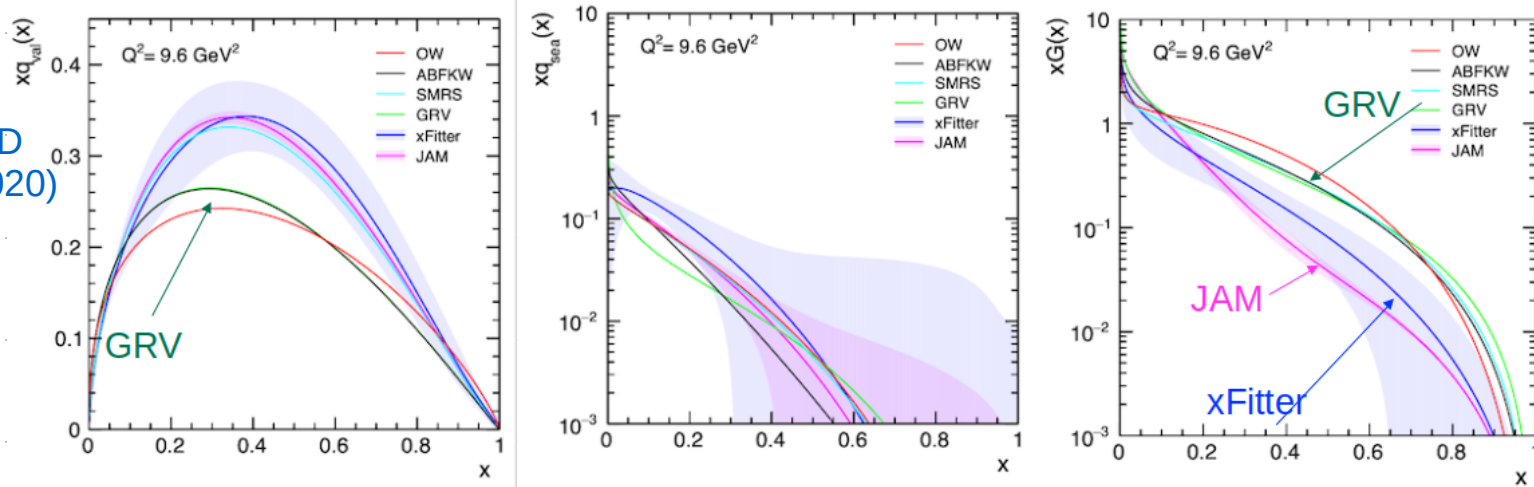


2) The pion structure



Extractions including Drell-Yan data and leading-neutron DIS data

JAM, arXiv:2108.05822



Chang et al. PRD
102, 054024 (2020)

Drell-Yan at AMBER: access to pion structure

Definitions:

$$u_{val}^{\pi^+} = u^{\pi^+} - \bar{u}^{\pi^+} \quad \text{and} \quad d_{val}^{\pi^-} = d^{\pi^-} - \bar{d}^{\pi^-}$$

And assuming flavour-symmetry:

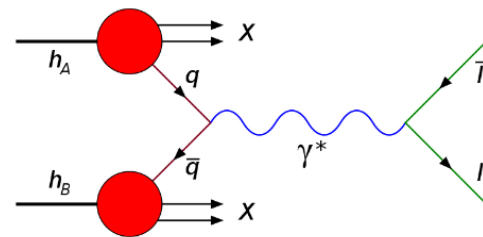
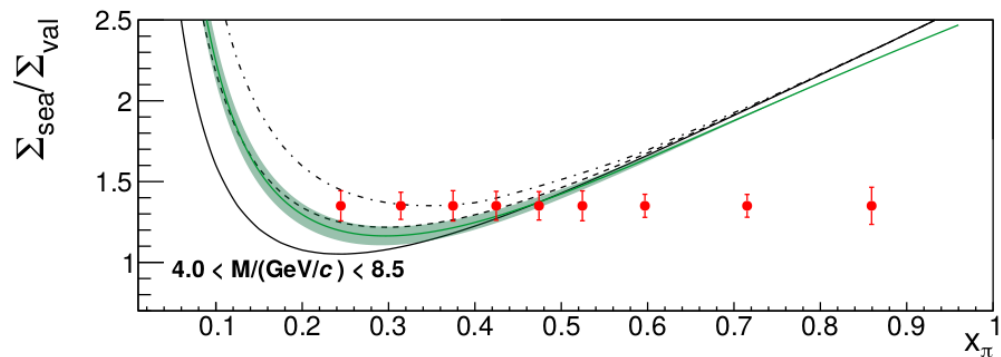
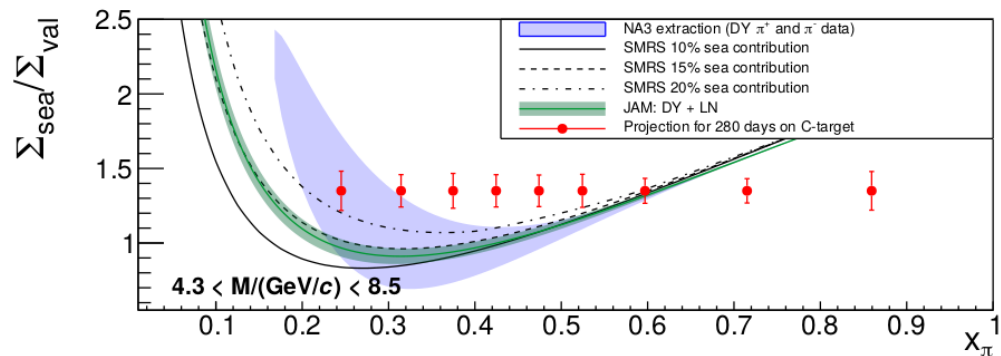
$$u_{val}^{\pi^+} = \bar{d}_{val}^{\pi^+} = \bar{u}_{val}^{\pi^-} = d_{val}^{\pi^-}$$

$$\bar{u}_{sea}^{\pi^-} = u_{sea}^{\pi^-} = \bar{d}_{sea}^{\pi^-} = d_{sea}^{\pi^-} = \bar{s}_{sea}^{\pi^-} = s_{sea}^{\pi^-}$$

$$\frac{\Sigma_{sea}}{\Sigma_{valence}} = \frac{4\sigma^{\pi^+C} - \sigma^{\pi^-C}}{-\sigma^{\pi^+C} + \sigma^{\pi^-C}}$$

LO: only sea-val and val-sea terms

LO: only val-val terms



Pion-induced Drell-Yan at AMBER

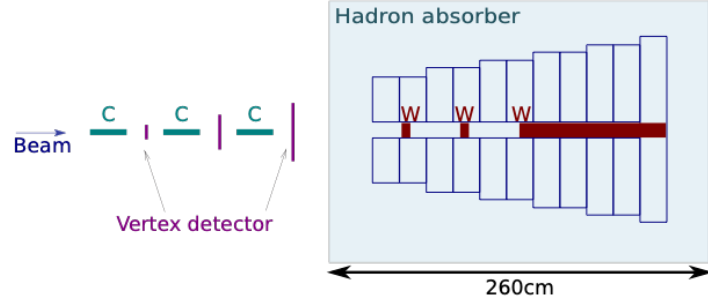
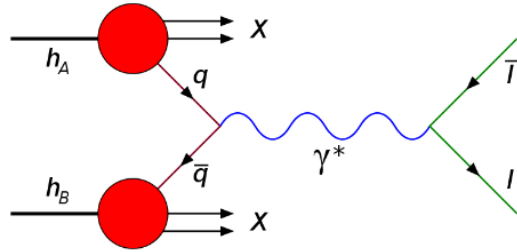


Table 7: Statistics collected by earlier experiments (top rows), compared with the achievable statistics of the proposed experiment (bottom rows), in 213 days (π^+ beam) + 67 days (π^- beam).

Experiment	Target type	Beam energy (GeV)	Beam type	Beam intensity (part/sec)	DY mass (GeV/ c^2)	DY events
E615	20 cm W	252	π^+	17.6×10^7	4.05 – 8.55	5000
			π^-	18.6×10^7		30000
NA3	30 cm H ₂	200	π^+	2.0×10^7	4.1 – 8.5	40
			π^-	3.0×10^7		121
	6 cm Pt	200	π^+	2.0×10^7	4.2 – 8.5	1767
			π^-	3.0×10^7		4961
NA10	120 cm D ₂	286	π^-	65×10^7	4.2 – 8.5	7800
	12 cm W	194	π^-	65×10^7	4.07 – 8.5	155000
COMPASS 2015	110 cm NH ₃	190	π^-	7.0×10^7	4.3 – 8.5	35000
COMPASS 2018						52000
AMBER	75 cm C	190	π^+	1.7×10^7	4.3 – 8.5	21700
			π^-	6.8×10^7		31000
	12 cm W	190	π^+	0.4×10^7	4.3 – 8.5	8300
			π^-	1.6×10^7		11700
		190	π^+	0.4×10^7	4.3 – 8.5	24100
		190	π^-	1.6×10^7		32100

Isoscalar target

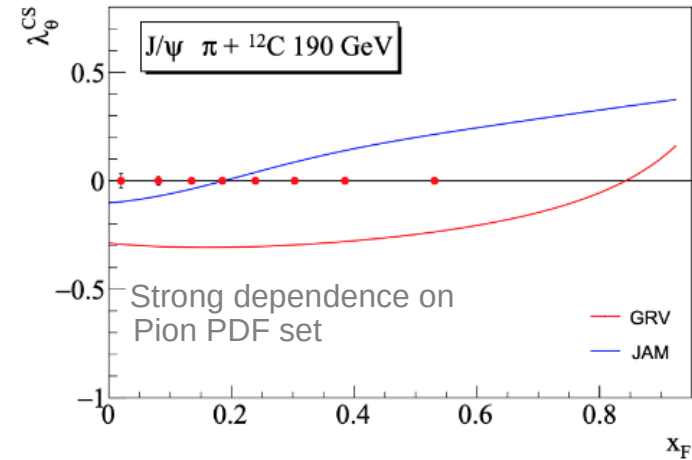
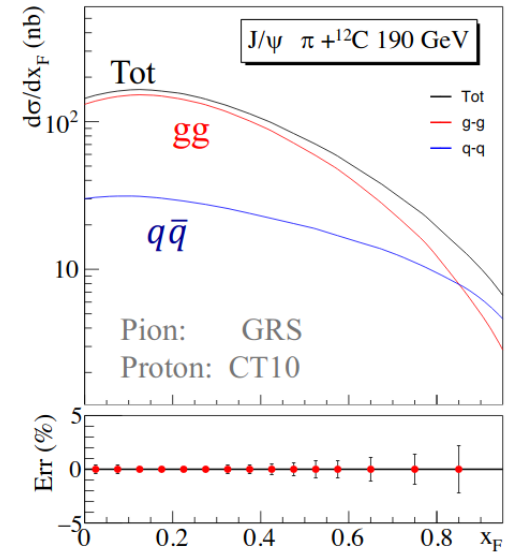
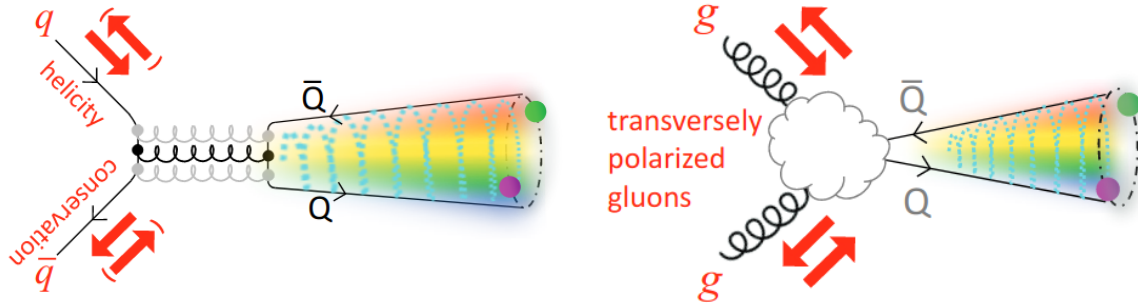
Both beam charges

High statistics

Gluon content in the pion

what can we learn from J/ψ production at AMBER?

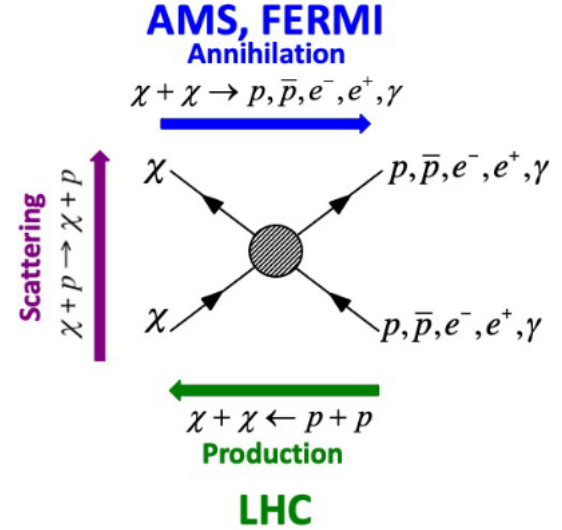
- **Large statistics** on J/ψ production at dimuon channel
- **Inclusive**: due to the hadron absorber, we cannot distinguish prompt production from the rest
- Expected significant **feed-down**: $\psi(2S)$, χ_{c1} , χ_{c2}
- In the **low- p_T regime**
- Expected to have **dominant** contribution from $2 \rightarrow 1$ processes
- Use J/ψ polarization to distinguish production mechanism:



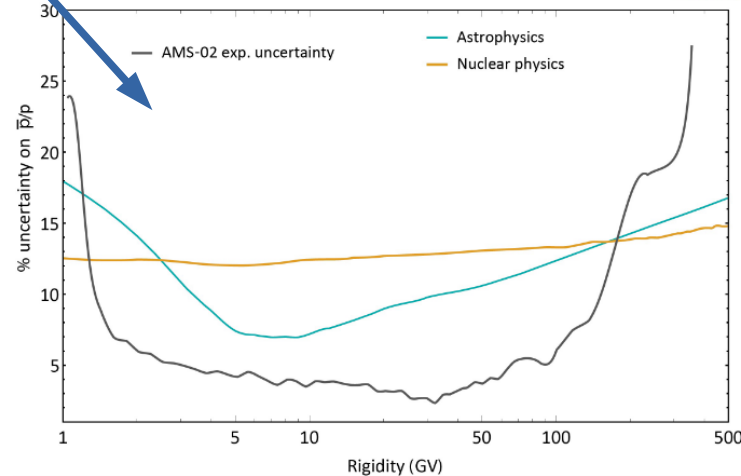
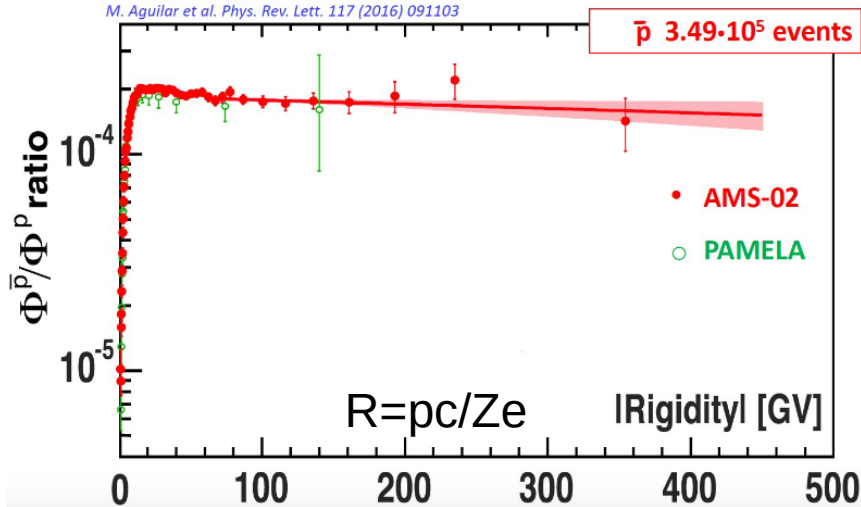
3) A detour: the antiproton production cross section

Needed as input to the Dark Matter searches:
for example to interpret AMS data.

\bar{p} production x-section uncertainties from p-p and p-He collisions is a limiting factor to know the \bar{p}/p flux ratio expected

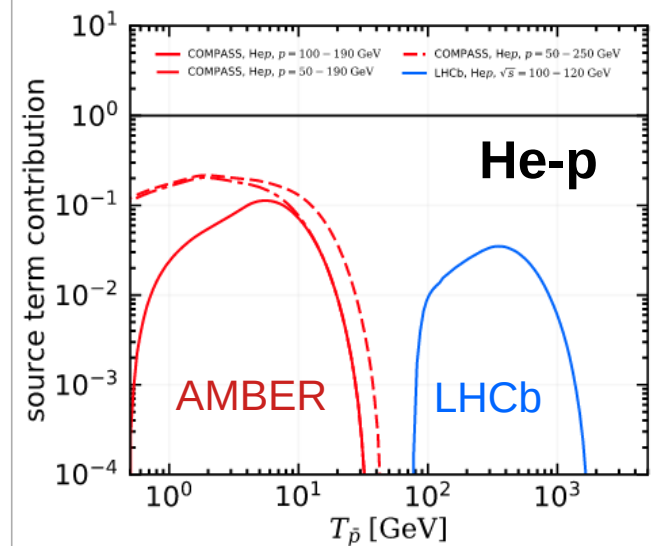
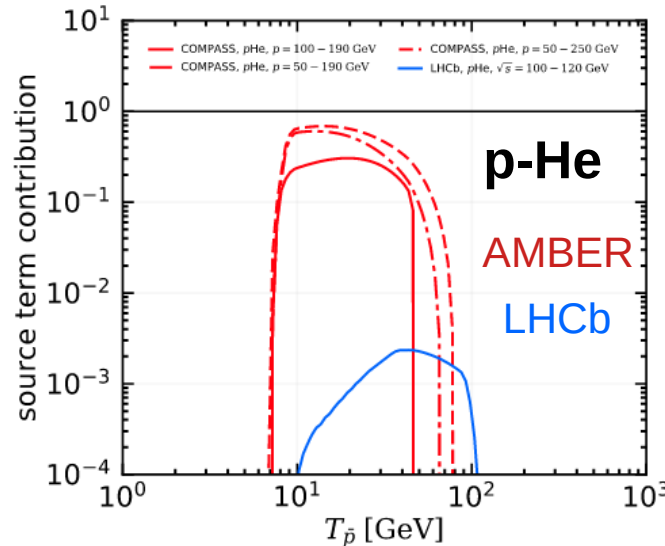
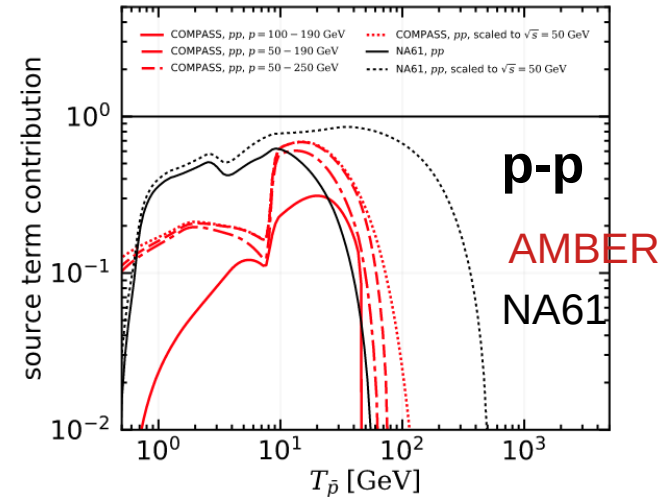


M. Aguilar et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 117 (2016) 091103



\bar{p} cross section at AMBER

- Secondary **proton** beams from SPS at 50, 100 and 190 and 280 GeV/c
- Liquid **Hydrogen** and **Helium** targets
- Antiprotons identified using RICH



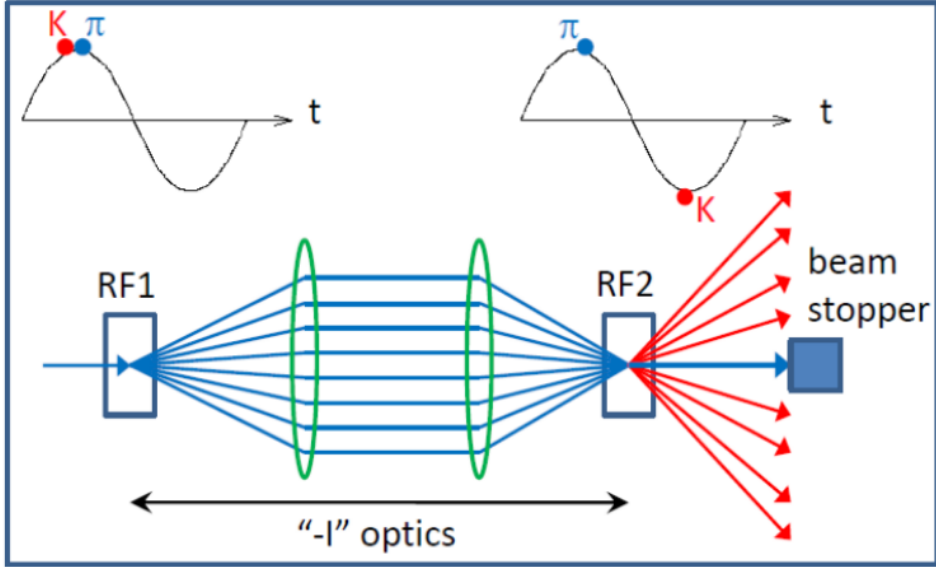
Plots:
Impact of AMBER in
constraining the \bar{p} production
versus kinetic energy.

**Opportunities, further ahead in the future:
Radio-frequency separated hadron beams**



AMBER Phase-II

Upgraded M2 beamline: RF-separated beams



Radio-frequency separation is a technique where some particle species end up dumped in a beam stopper, while the chosen ones (dependent on distance “l”) provide a **cleaner, still intense, beam**.

$$\Delta\phi \approx \frac{\pi fL}{c} \frac{m_w^2 - m_u^2}{p^2}$$

R&D from CERN Beams Department

- K^\pm beams with 60 – 100 GeV/c
- \bar{p} beam with 80 – 110 GeV/c

Question: but how high can the beam intensity be?

4) Kaon structure: u_K/u_π

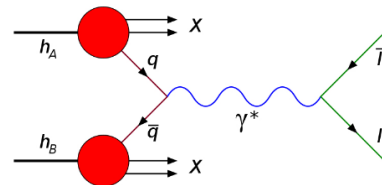
Kaon structure: a window to the region of interference between the **Higgs mechanism** and the **EHM mechanism**

The only available experimental data:

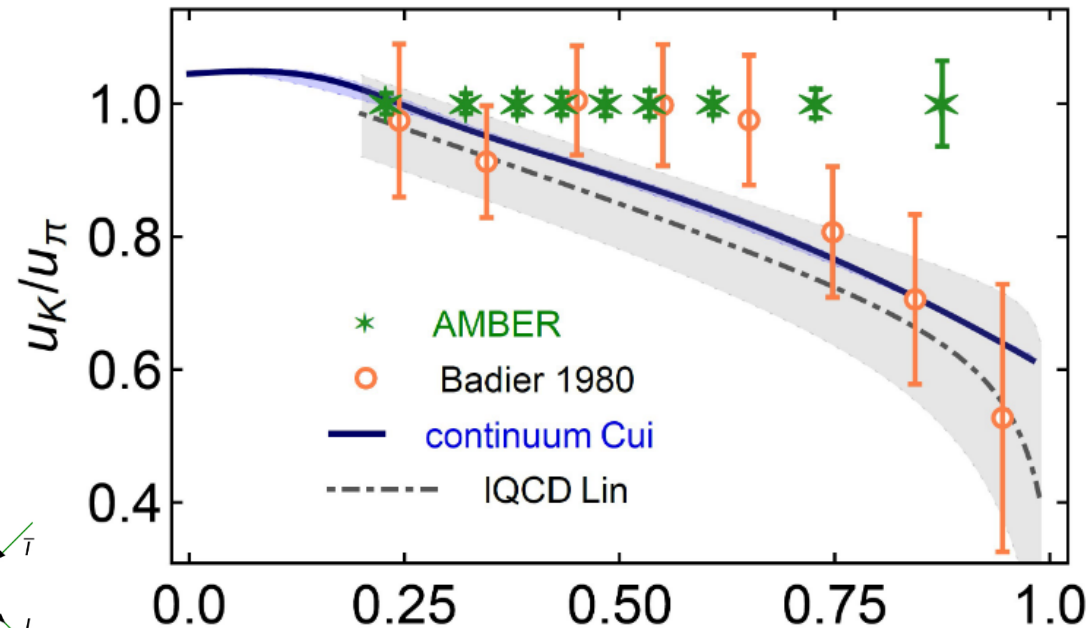
NA3 → 200 GeV K^- beam on 6 cm Pt target

↳ 700 kaon-induced Drell-Yan events

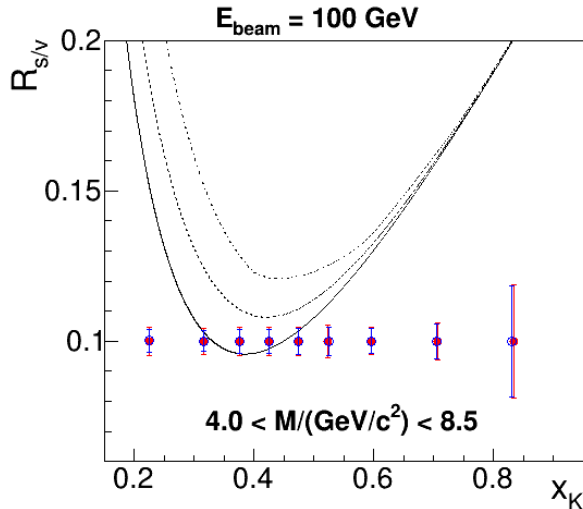
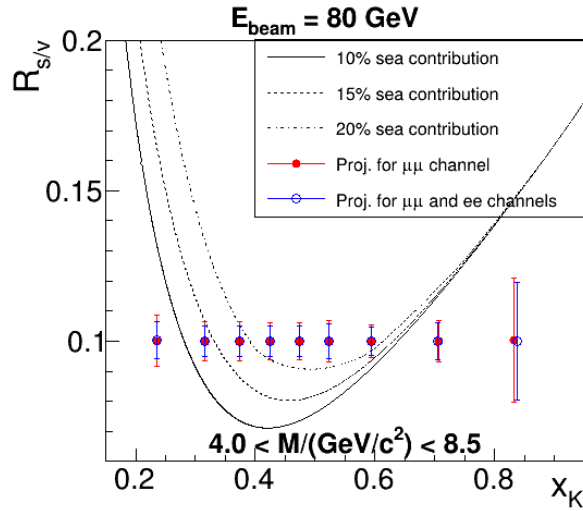
AMBER kaon-induced Drell-Yan



Z-F. Cui, *et al.* EPJC80(2020)1064, H-W. Lin *et al.*, PRD103(2021)014516



Kaon structure: valence and sea



First-ever kaon sea-valence separation:
using both charges kaon beams

$$R_{s/v} = \frac{\sigma^{K^+C}}{\sigma^{K^-C} - \sigma^{K^+C}} \rightarrow \propto u_v^K u_v^p$$

Higher beam momentum: access to lower x_K

Experiment	Target type	Beam type	Beam intensity (part/sec)	Beam energy (GeV)	DY mass (GeV/c^2)	DY events	
						$\mu^+\mu^-$	e^+e^-
NA3	6cm Pt	K^-	????	200	4.2 – 8.5	700	0
				80	4.0 – 8.5	25,000	13,700
AMBER	100cm C	K^-	2.1×10^7	100	4.0 – 8.5	40,000	17,700
		K^+		80	4.0 – 8.5	2,800	1,300
AMBER	100cm C	π^-	4.8×10^7	80	4.0 – 8.5	65,500	29,700
				100	4.0 – 8.5	95,500	36,000

Kaon-induced Drell-Yan in AMBER

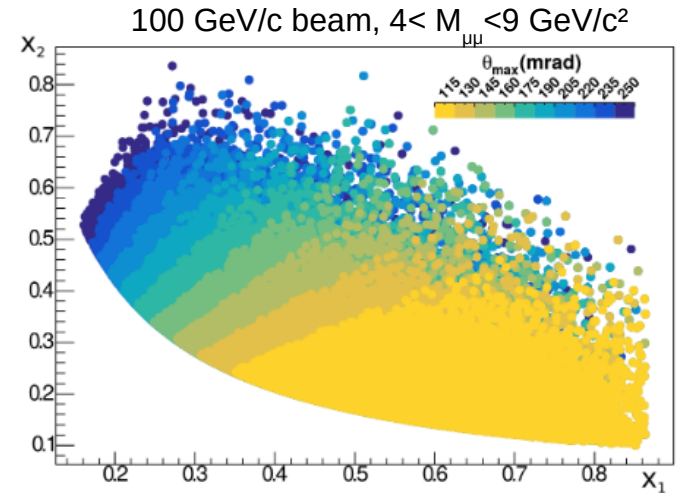
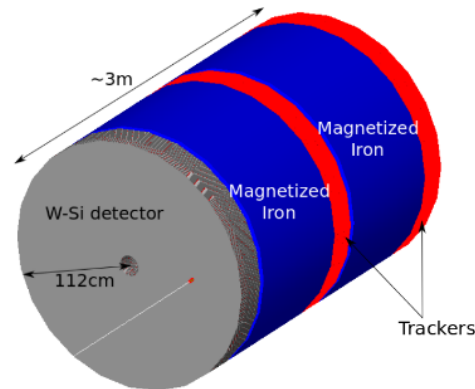
If using kaons from RF-separated beams, the momentum must be $< 100 \text{ GeV}/c$

In a fixed-target experiment, the lower beam momentum implies smaller angular acceptance

In order to keep the dilepton acceptance $\sim 40\%$ \rightarrow Compress the spectrometer

“Active absorber”:

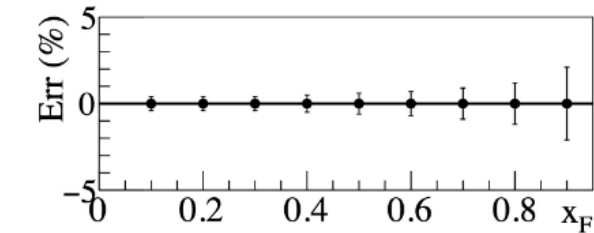
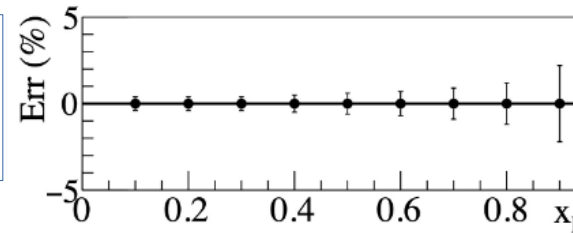
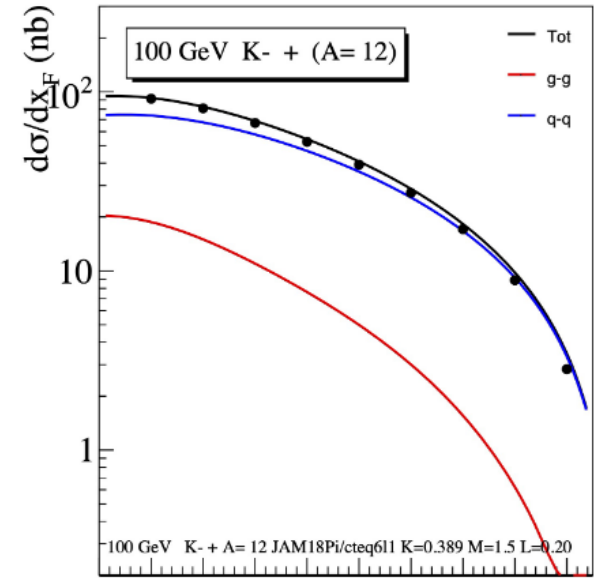
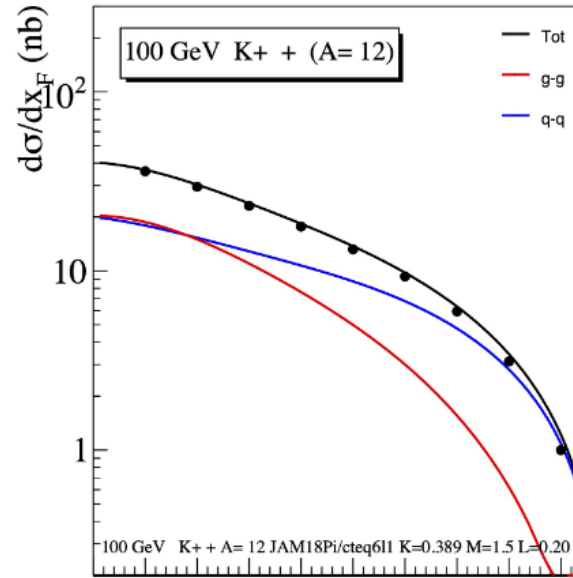
- Trackers
- Magnetic field
- Large area
- Compact



J/Ψ production: an access to the gluon content in the kaon

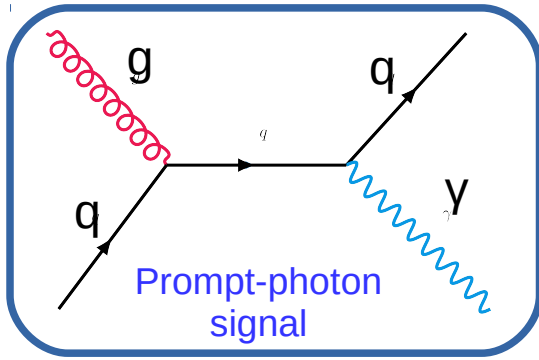
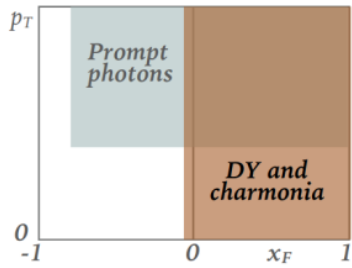
Using Color Evaporation Model (Int.J.Mod.Phys. A 10 (1995) 3043)
and JAM18 “pion” PDFs (PRL 121, 152001 (2018))

- J/Ψ data collected in parallel with kaon-induced Drell-Yan
- Large statistics
- Model-dependent access to the gluon distribution in kaons
- J/Ψ production cross section (LO):

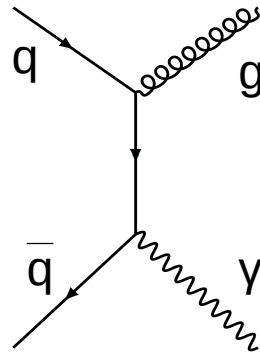


$$\begin{aligned}
 K^-(\bar{u}s) + p(uud) &\propto gg + \underbrace{[\bar{u}_v^K u_v^p]}_{\text{val-val}} + \underbrace{[\bar{u}_v^K u_s^p + s_v^K s_s^p]}_{\text{val-sea}} + \underbrace{[\bar{u}_s^K u_v^p]}_{\text{sea-val}} + \underbrace{[\bar{u}_s^K u_s^p + u_s^K \bar{u}_s^p + s_s^K \bar{s}_s^p + \bar{s}_s^K s_s^p]}_{\text{sea-sea}} \\
 K^+(\bar{u}\bar{s}) + p(uud) &\propto gg + \underbrace{[\bar{u}_v^K \bar{u}_v^p]}_{\text{val-val}} + \underbrace{[\bar{u}_v^K \bar{u}_s^p + \bar{s}_v^K s_s^p]}_{\text{val-sea}} + \underbrace{[\bar{u}_s^K \bar{u}_v^p]}_{\text{sea-val}} + \underbrace{[\bar{u}_s^K \bar{u}_s^p + u_s^K \bar{u}_s^p + s_s^K \bar{s}_s^p + \bar{s}_s^K s_s^p]}_{\text{sea-sea}}
 \end{aligned}$$

5) Prompt-photons: clean access to the gluon distribution in kaon

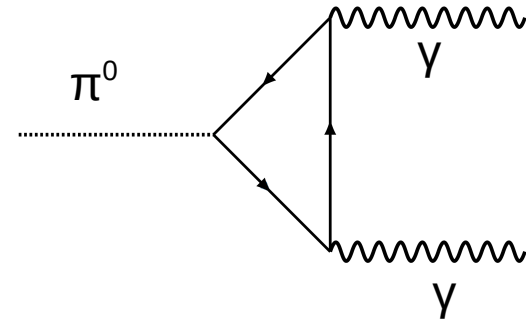


Direct access to
the gluon PDF at
 $x_g^K > 0.05$, $Q^2 \sim p_T$



background

K^+ beam: minimize bkg

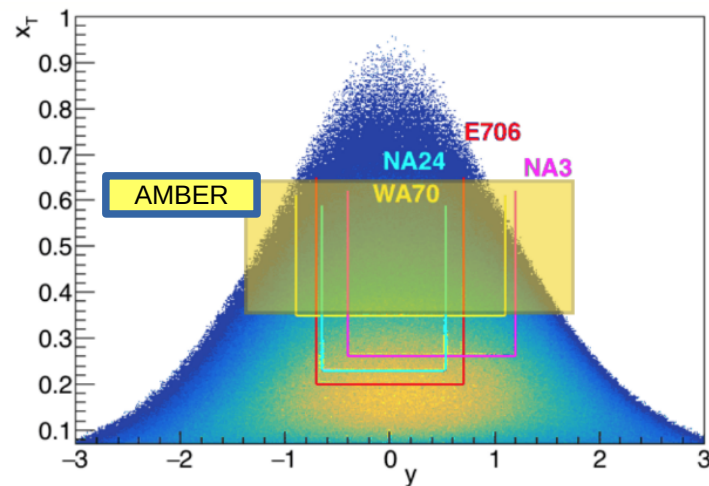


Minimum bias photons
background

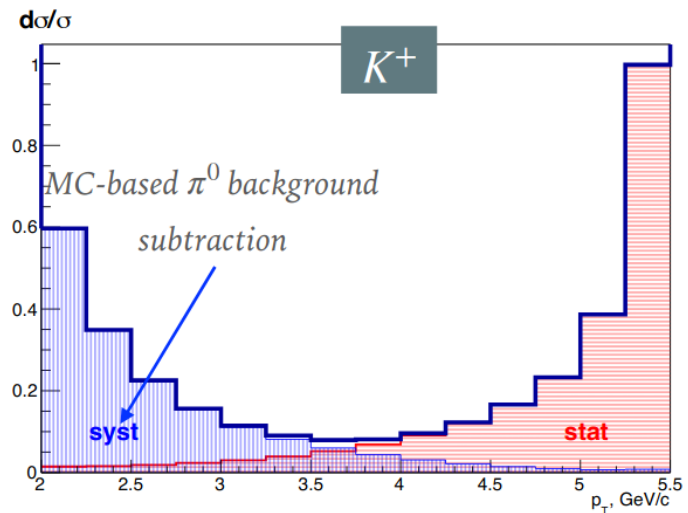
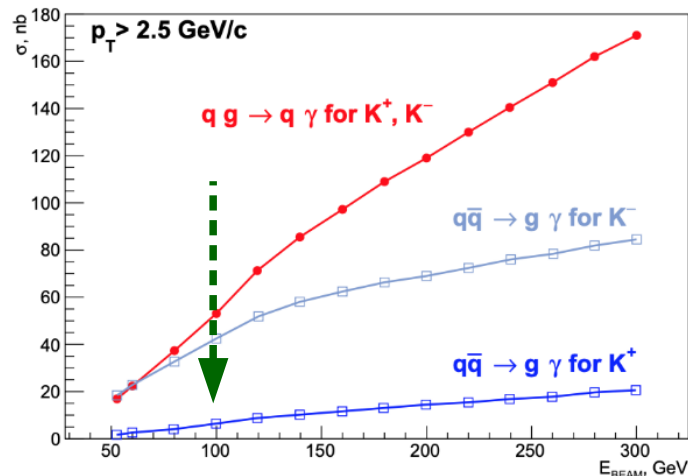
$p_T^\gamma > 2.5 \text{ GeV}/c$:
minimize photon
background

100 GeV K^+ beam on a long IH_2 target

Kaon-induced prompt-photon production



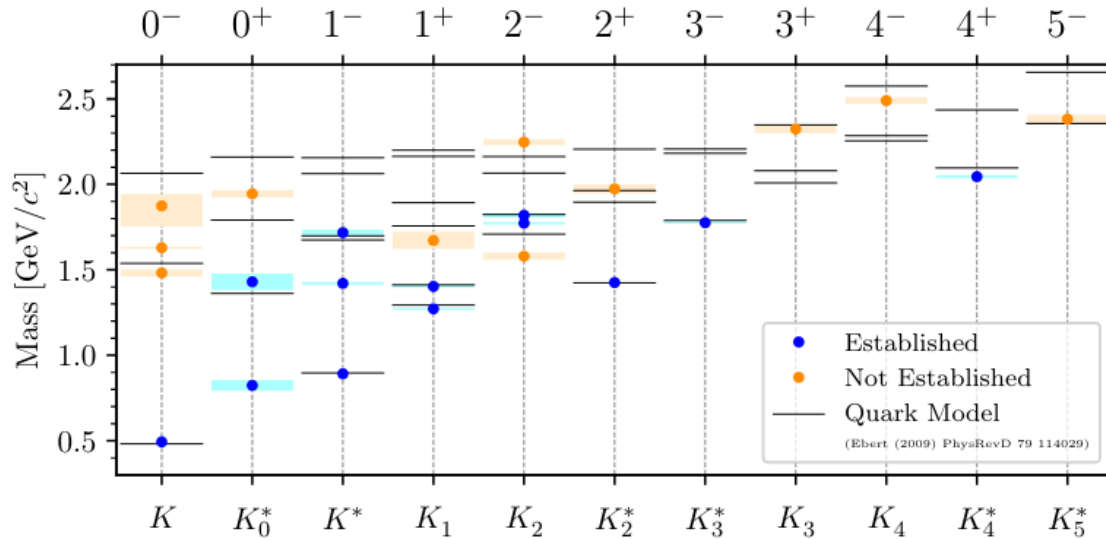
$$x_T = 2p_T/\sqrt{s}$$



In 140 days

Experiment	Target type	Beam type	Beam Intensity (part/sec)	Beam Energy (GeV)	$\int \mathcal{L}$ (pb ⁻¹)	p_T range (GeV/c)	prompt-photon events
WA70	1m lH ₂	π^+	2.5×10^6	280	1.3	$4 < p_T < 7$	—
		π^-	1.25×10^7	280	3.5	$4 < p_T < 7$	—
AMBER	2m lH ₂	K^+	2×10^7	100	50	$p_T > 2.5$	3.4×10^6
		π^+	2×10^7	100	50	$p_T > 2.5$	3.4×10^6

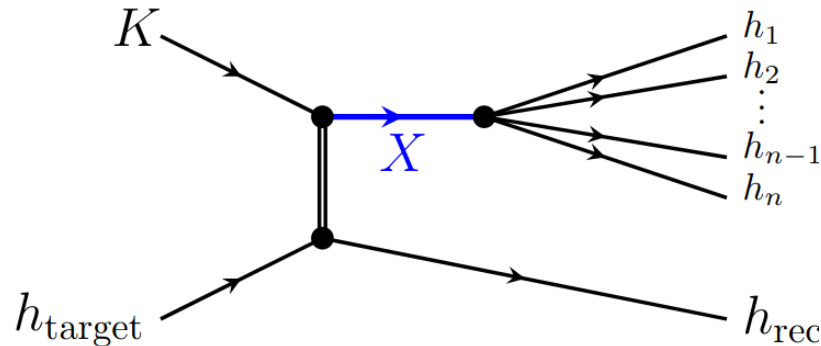
6) Kaon beam: an opportunity for strange-meson spectroscopy



From the 25 strange mesons listed presently in the PDG,

13 still need experimental confirmation:

- 3 predicted K_j^* states missing.
Searches via $K^\pm p$ scattering, like $K^\pm p \rightarrow K\pi n$ or through heavy meson and τ decays
- 11 predicted K_j states missing.
Searches via heavy meson and τ decays to multi-body final states



X: strange-meson
Searched for and characterized with **Partial Wave Analysis**

7) Meson radii

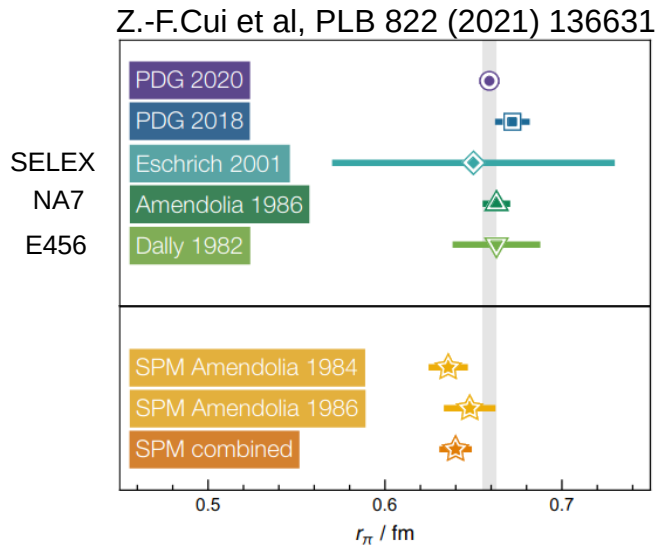
$$r_\pi^2 = -\frac{6}{F_\pi(0)} \left. \frac{d}{dQ^2} F_\pi(Q^2) \right|_{Q^2=0}$$

Pion and kaon radii: an expression of the link between EHM and confinement

Pion radius

Measurements of pion scattering at low Q^2 , done in the 1980' s

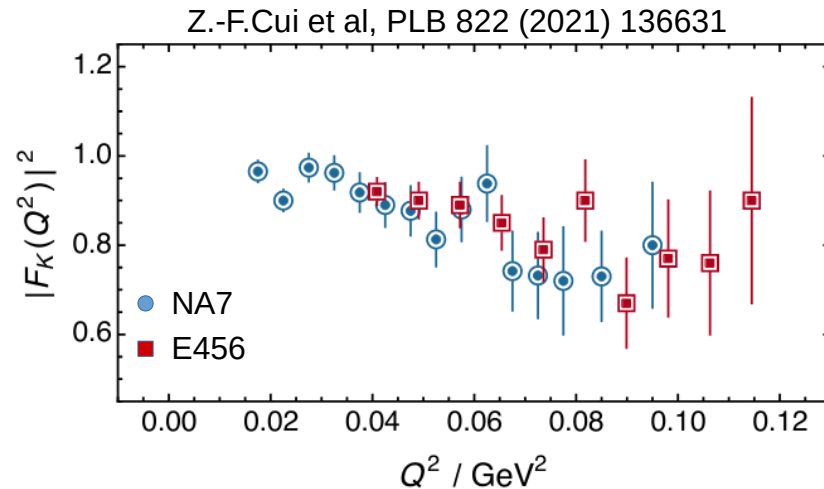
$r_\pi = 0.659 \pm 0.004$ fm (PDG 2020)



Kaon radius

Practically unknown

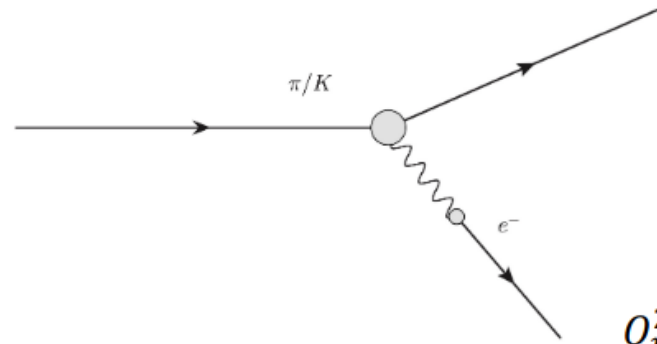
$r_K = 0.560 \pm 0.031$ fm (PDG 2020)



Kaon charge radius

80 GeV RF-separated beam:
kaon – electron elastic scattering,
to access the kaon form factor

$$0.001 < Q^2 < 0.07 \text{ GeV}^2$$



$$K^- e_{target}^- \rightarrow K^- e^-$$

$$s = 2E_b m_e + m_b^2 + m_e^2$$

$$Q_{max}^2 = \frac{4p_b^2 m_e^2}{s}$$

Beam	E_b [GeV]	Q_{max}^2 [GeV ²]	$E'_{b,min}$ [GeV]	Relative charge-radius effect on c.s. at Q_{max}^2
π	190	0.176	17.3	~40%
K	190	0.086	105.7	~20%
	80	0.066	59.9	~15%
	50	0.037	41.3	~8%

...In summary

The AMBER experiment at the CERN M2 beamline is a new “QCD Facility” to investigate the **Emergence of Hadron Mass**

AMBER phase-I was approved in December 2020, for measurements on

- Proton radius from muon-proton elastic scattering
- Pion structure from pion-induced Drell-Yan and Charmonium production
- Antiproton cross-sections – input for Dark Matter searches

The planned upgrade of the M2 beamline will provide radio-frequency separated hadron beams. High purity kaon beams are being proposed for a **phase-II of AMBER**:

- Kaon structure from kaon-induced Drell-Yan and Charmonium production
- Gluon content in the kaon from direct-photon production
- Light meson spectroscopy using kaon beams
- Kaon charge radius from elastic kaon-electron scattering
- ...