

# Antiproton - nucleus collisions with PANDA

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## Outline

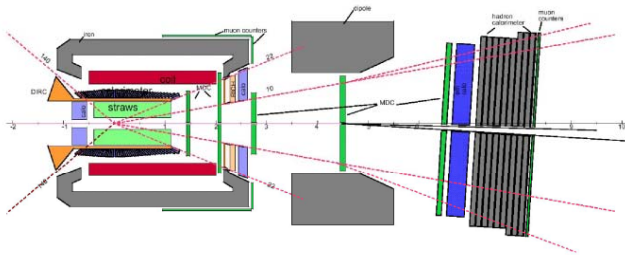
- Ideas for a  $\bar{p}A$  physics\* program with PANDA
- Kinematical and instrumental aspects
- $J/\psi$  absorption in nuclear matter
- Non-charmed hadrons in nuclear matter
- $\bar{p}$ -induced hard processes in nuclei
- Possible roads to slow D mesons in nuclei
- Summary

\* excl. hypernuclear physics

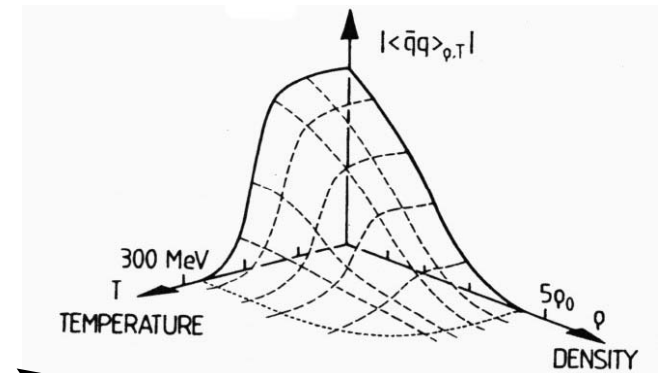
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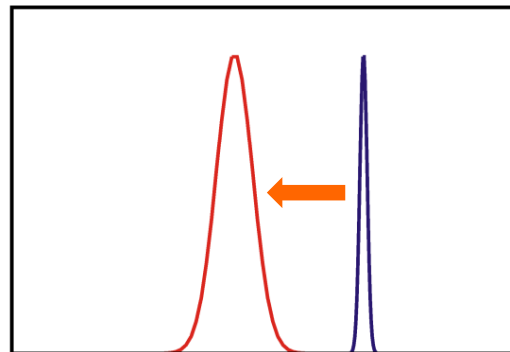
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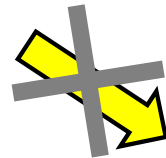
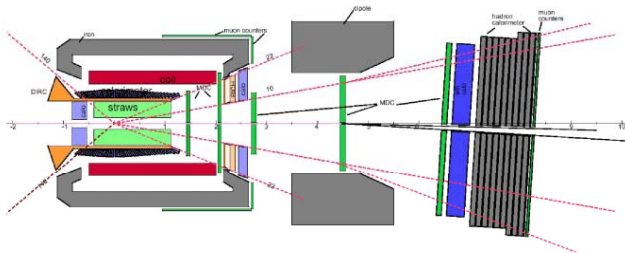
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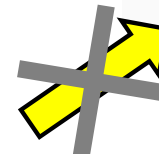
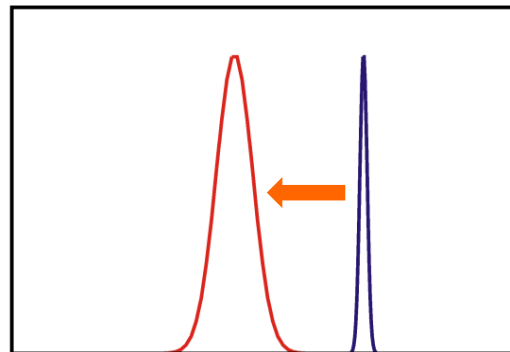
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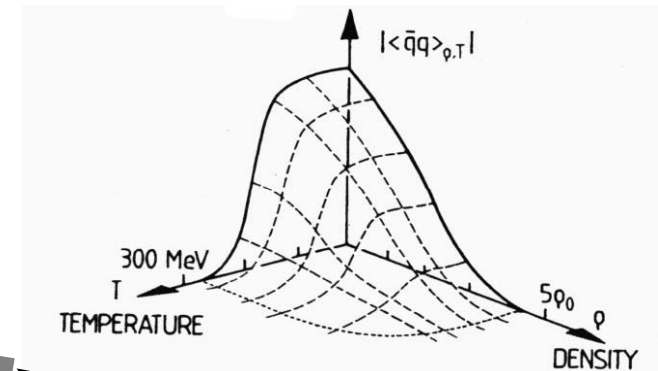


Nature is more complicated, but medium effects are still interesting !

## Mass shift



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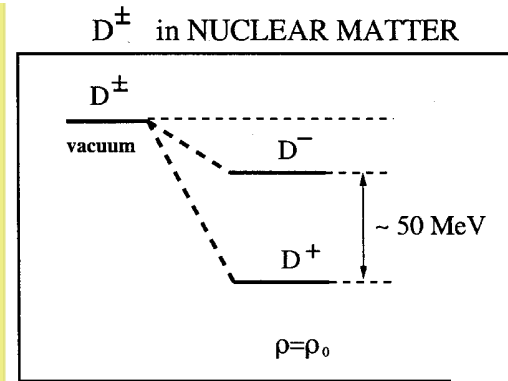
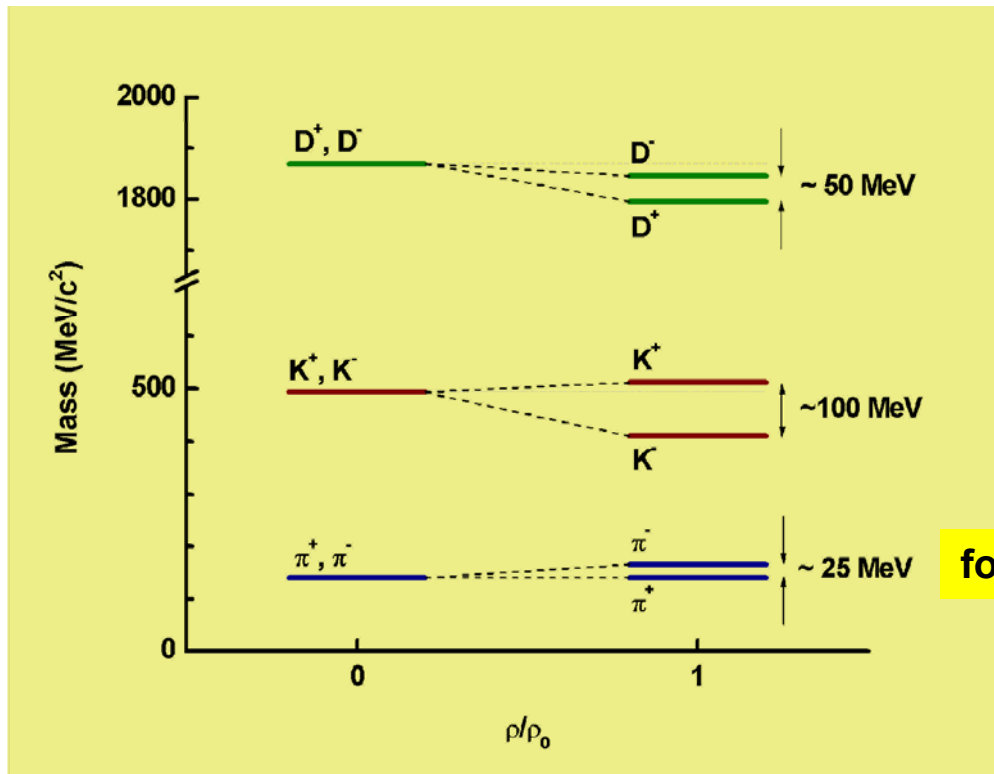
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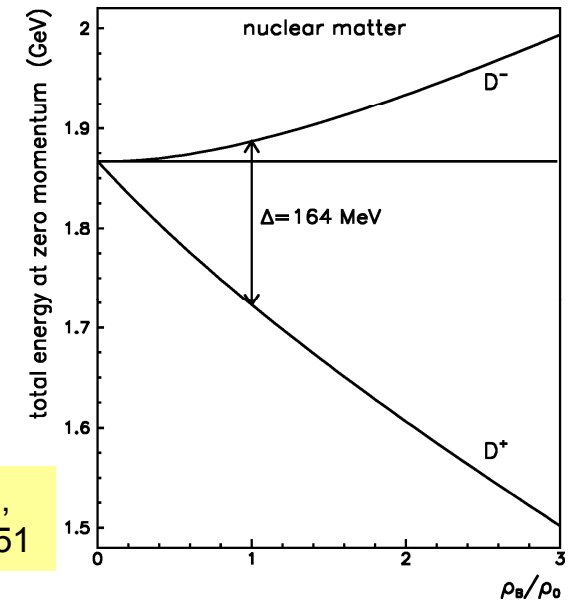
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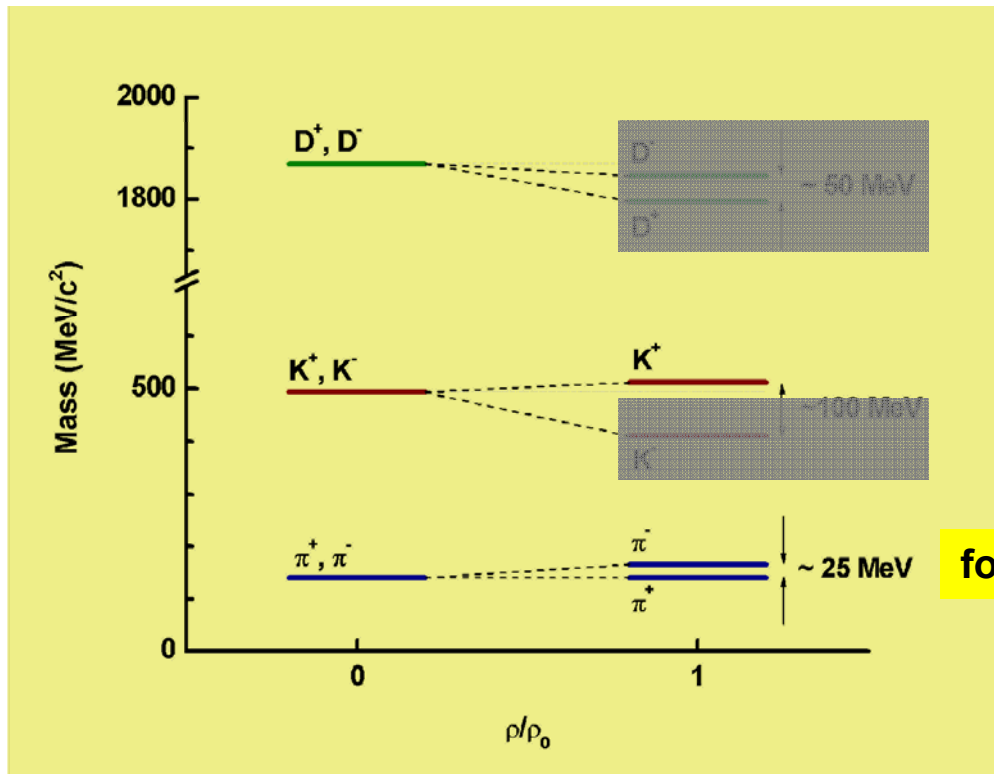
W. Weise,  
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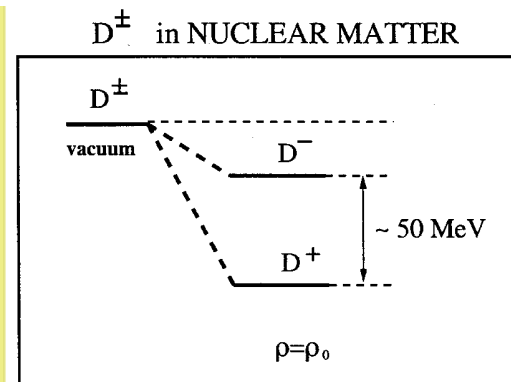
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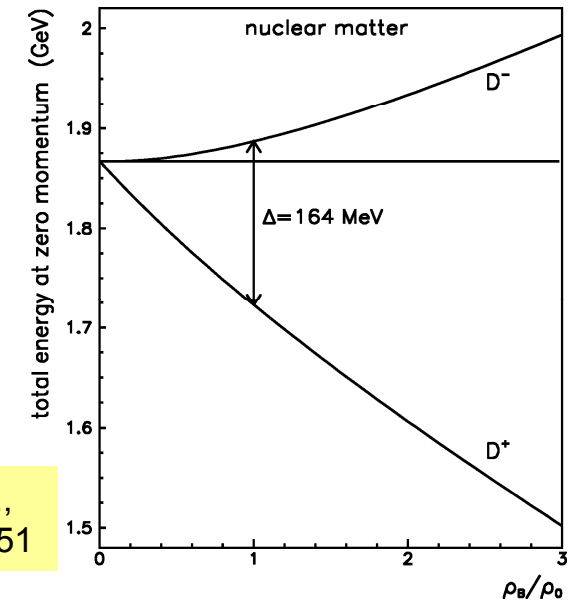
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for  $N > Z$



W. Weise, Proc. Hirschegg 2001



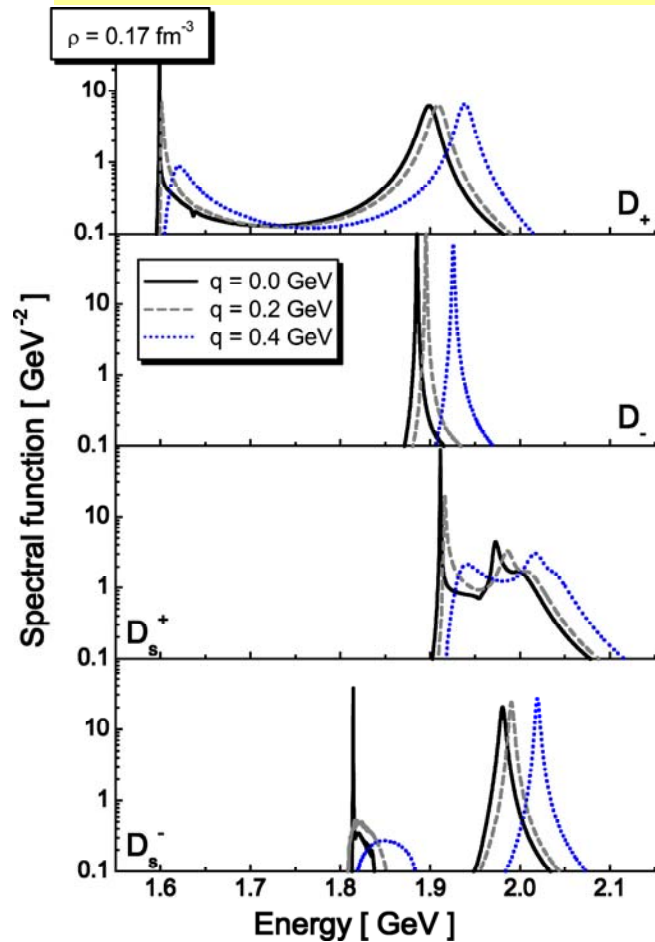
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$\bar{K}$  potential: still controversial  
 D potential: large uncertainties  
 $\bar{K}$ , D will have large width

# Medium modification of D mesons II

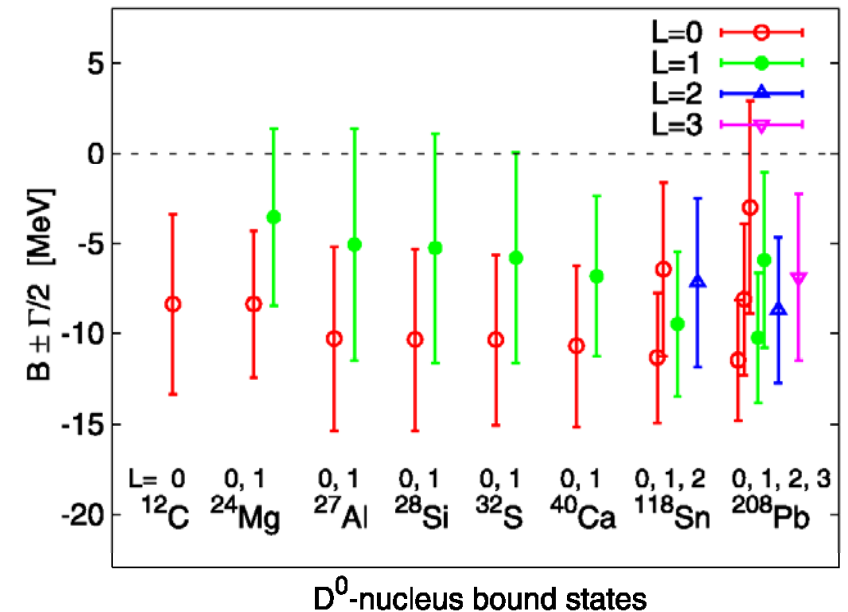
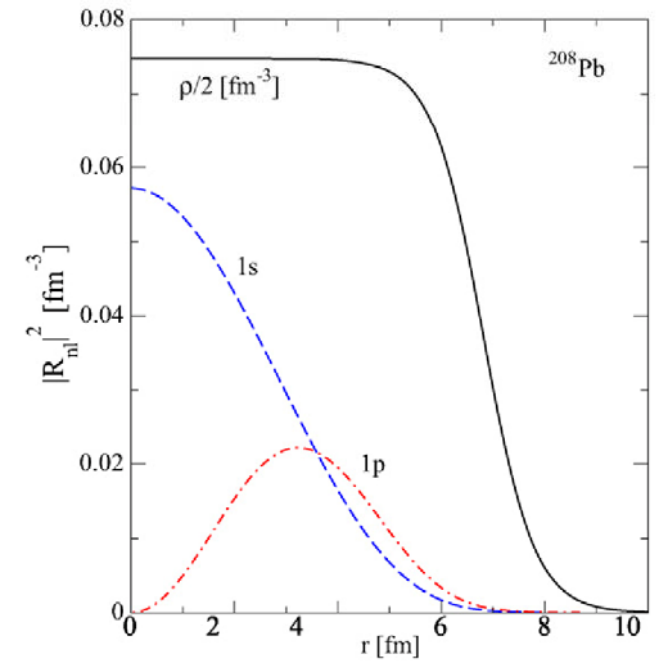
- more recent theory work ...

M.F.M. Lutz, C.L. Korpa, PLB 633 (2006) 43



bound nuclear  $D^0$  ( $c\bar{u}$ ) states:

C. Garcia-Recio *et al.*,  
PLB 690 (2010) 369

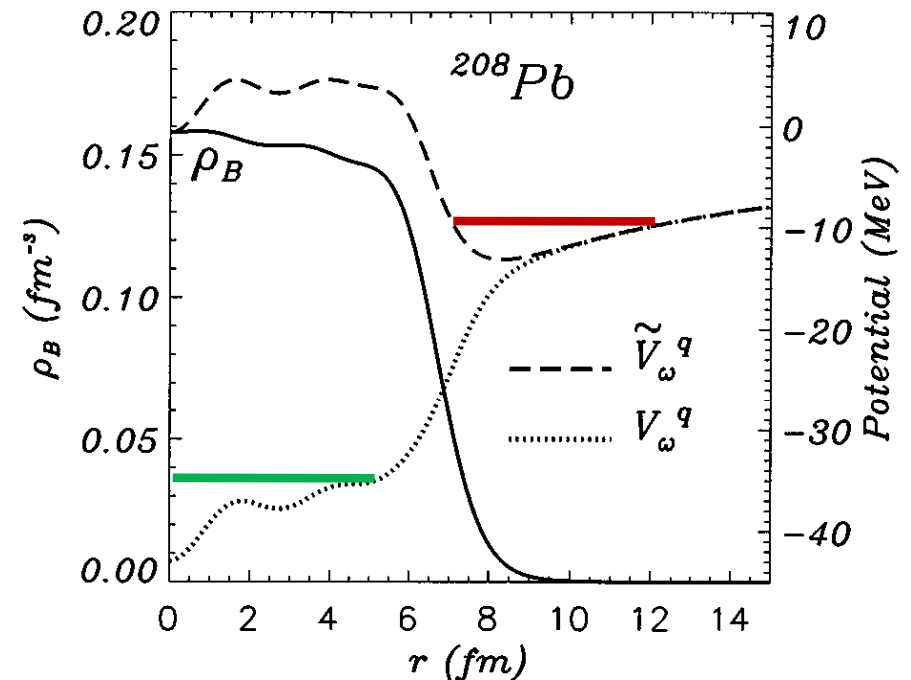


see also T. Mizutani, A. Ramos, PRC 74 (2006) 065201

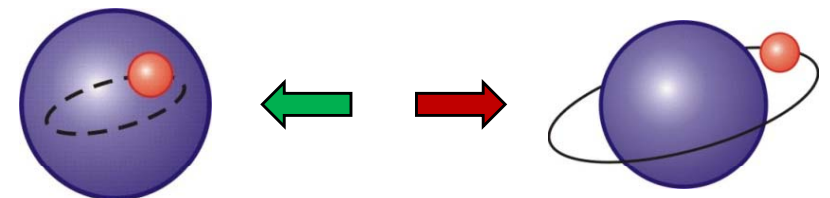
# Bound D<sup>-</sup> states?

- assisted by Coulomb potential
- Pb nucleus:  $V_C(0) = -25$  MeV
- even bound with repulsive D<sup>-</sup> potential
- only weak decay → narrow !
- new family of anti-charmed hypernuclei
- further theoretical studies welcome

L. Tolos *et al.*, PRC 77 (2008) 015207  
 $\Delta M = 15 \dots 20$  MeV



K. Tsushima *et al.*, PRC 59 (1999) 2824





# Medium modification of charmonium I

	Quantum numbers	QCD 2 <sup>nd</sup> Stark eff.	Potential model	QCD sum rules	Effects of DD loop
$\eta_c$	$0^{++}$	-8 MeV [1]		-5 MeV [4]	
$J/\psi$	$1^{--}$	-8 MeV [1]	-10 MeV [3]	-7 MeV [4]	+3 MeV [5]
$\chi_{c0,1,2}$	$0,1,2^{++}$	-40 MeV [2]		-60 MeV [2]	
$\psi(3686)$	$1^{--}$	-100 MeV [2]	→ strong binding for higher states?		-30 MeV [5]
$\psi(3770)$	$1^{--}$	-140 MeV [2]		+15 MeV [5]	

[1] Peskin, NPB 156 (1979) 365, Luke *et al.*, PLB 288 (1992) 355

[2] S.H. Lee, nucl-th/0310080

[3] Brodsky *et al.*, PRL 64 (1990) 1011

[4] Klingl, Kim, Lee, Morath, Weise, PRL 82 (1999) 3396

[5] Lee, Ko, PRC 67 (2003) 038202

$\Delta M_{J/\psi} = -16 \dots -24 \text{ MeV}$   
G. Krein *et al.*, arXiv:1007.2220

## Kinematics in $\bar{p}A$ collisions

- $\bar{p}N$  annihilation in nuclear target: charmed mesons are produced at high momentum in the nuclear rest frame!
- holds for D mesons and charmonium states
- e.g.  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow D^+D^-$  at threshold:  $p_{\bar{p}} = 6.44 \text{ GeV}/c$

- Fermi momentum not sufficient:

10 GeV/c    0.5 GeV/c



- $\bar{p}NN \rightarrow \bar{D}\Lambda_c$  may help more:



- $\rightarrow$  no direct road to slow charmed hadrons in nuclear matter

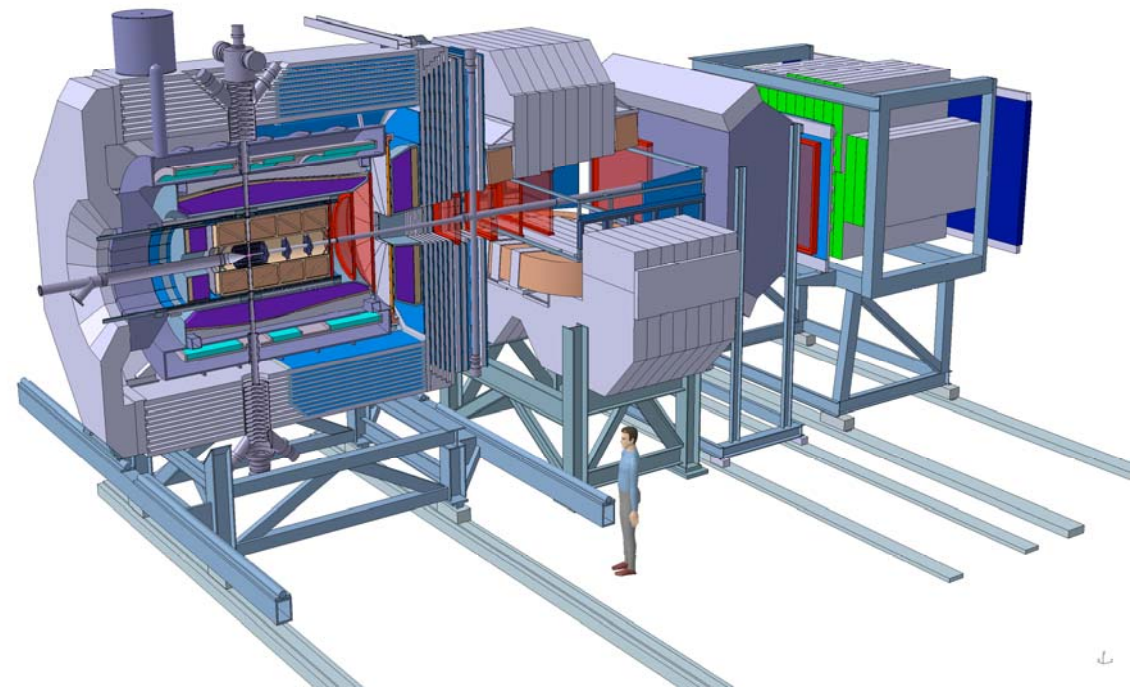
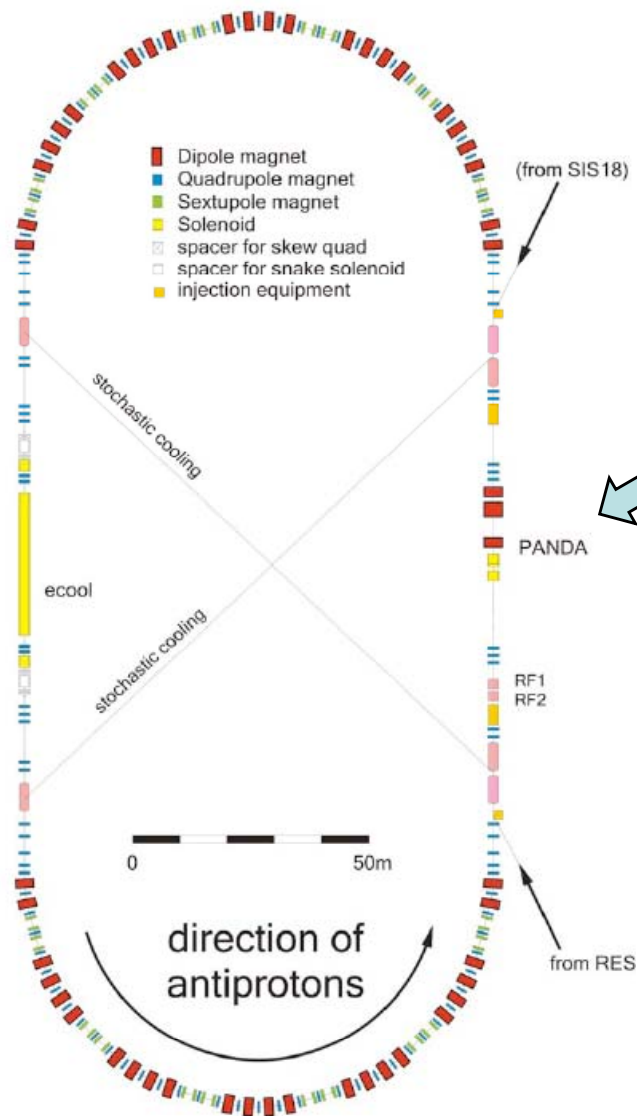
## Options for PANDA

can we still do something interesting?

**Y E S, we can !**

- use the nucleus as a laboratory for hadron-nucleon interactions
- access to hadron-nucleon cross section / imaginary nuclear potential in attenuation measurements
- access to real part of nuclear potential in cases where slow hadrons can be produced (?)
- study of hard reactions inside the nuclear environment

# HESR and PANDA

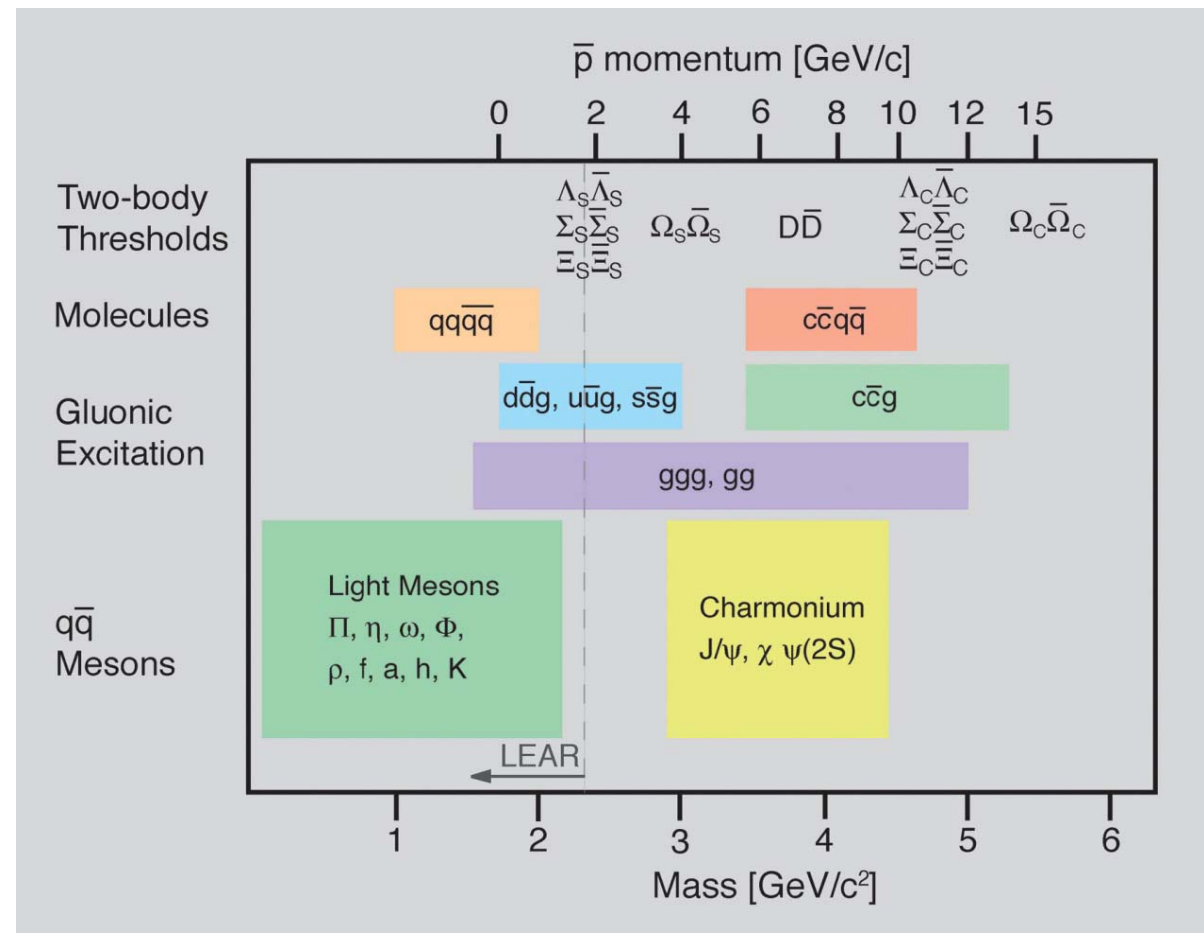


- $\bar{p}$  momentum: 1.5 ... 15 GeV/c
- $L_{\max} \sim 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  ( $R \sim 10^7/\text{s}$ )
- $\sim 4\pi$  acceptance for charged and neutrals
- $p, K, \pi, e^{\pm}, \mu^{\pm}, \gamma$  identification
- displaced vertex detection

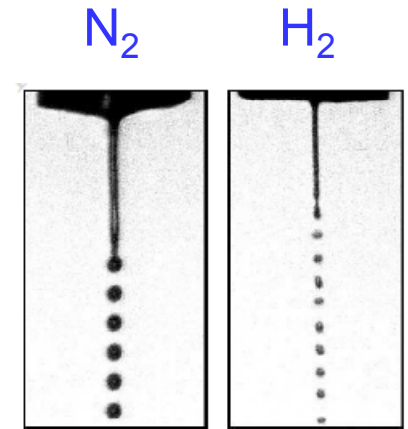
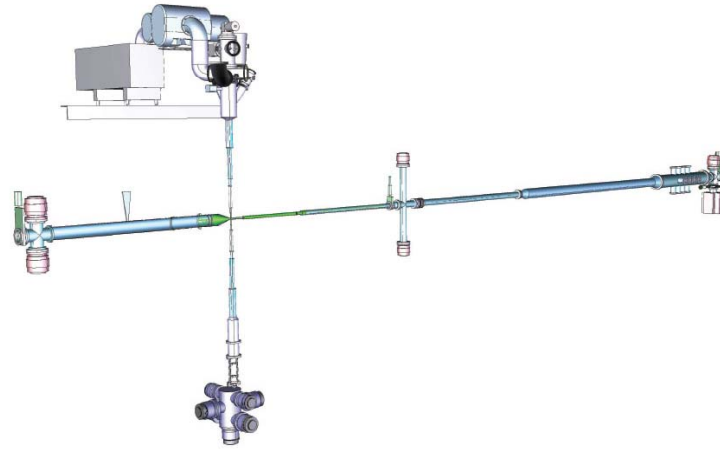
# Physics reach

key issues of the program:

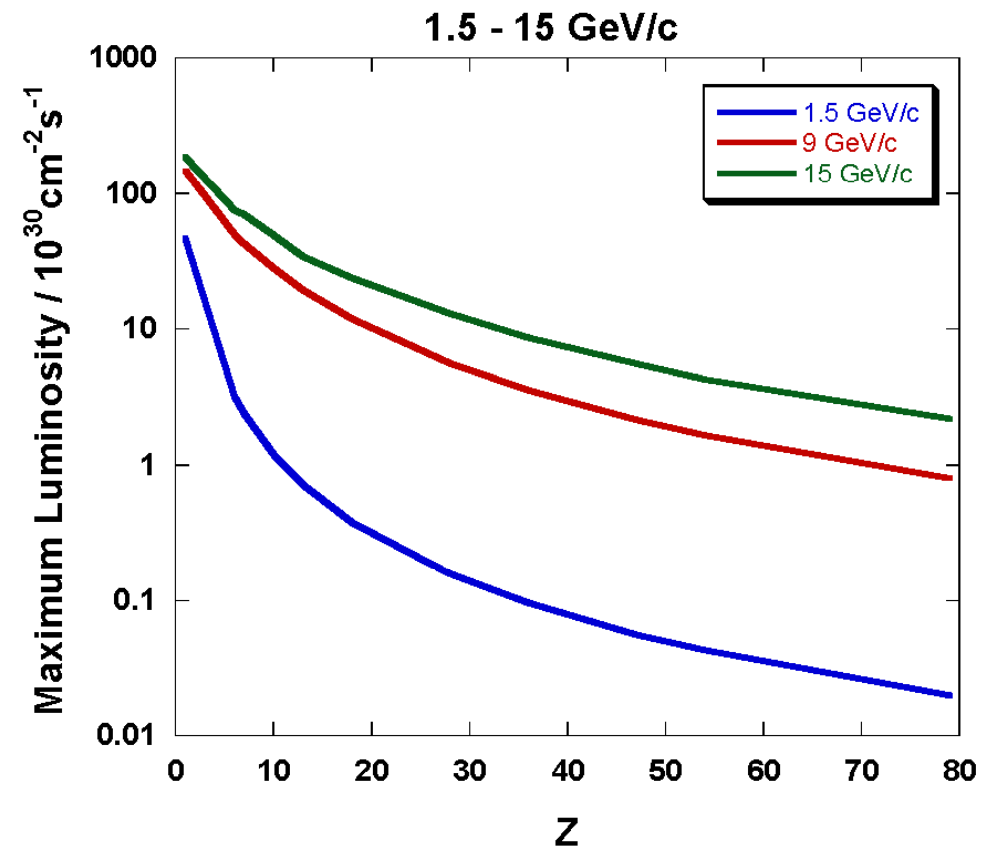
- study of charmonium or charmonium-like states
- search states with gluonic excitations
- kinematic limit:  
 $\sqrt{s} = 5.5 \text{ GeV} \sim \Omega_c \bar{\Omega}_c$



# $\bar{p}$ -nucleus collisions



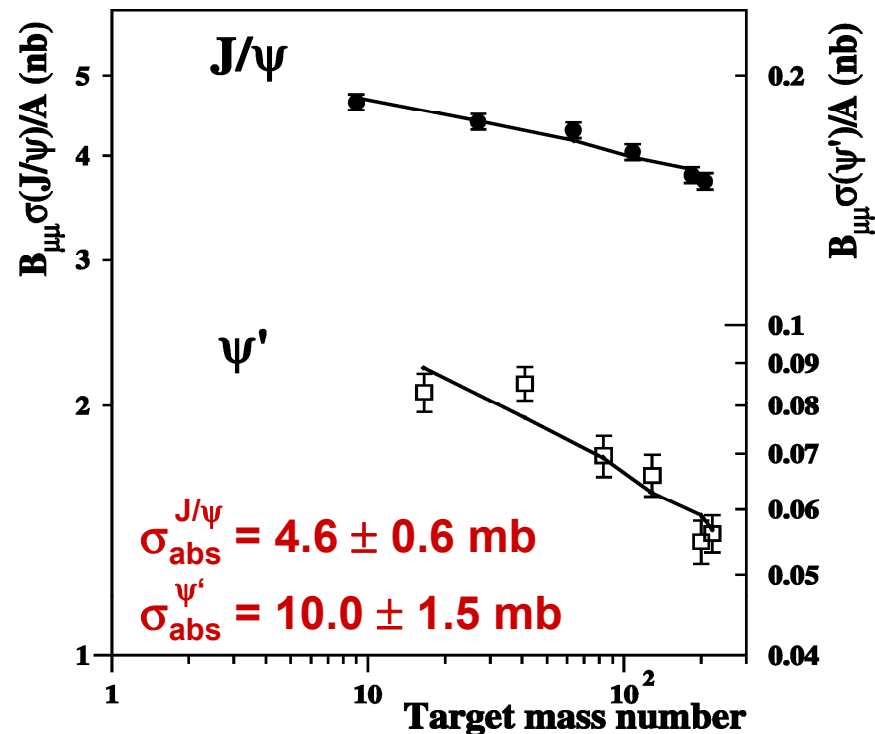
- targets: pellet, cluster jet, solid
- pellet & cluster jet work for: D<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>, Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe
- L<sub>max</sub> decreases with Z
- Au target: lose ~factor 10<sup>3</sup> at 1.5 GeV/c, ~10<sup>2</sup> at 15 GeV/c
- luminosity determination for  $\bar{p}p$  doesn't work for  $\bar{p}A$



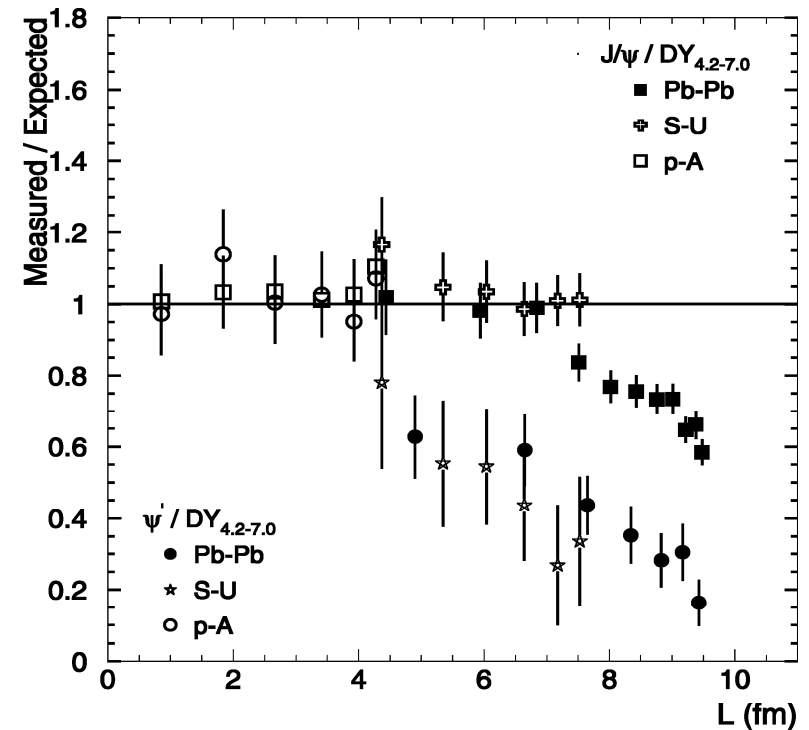
# J/ψ and ψ' absorption in nuclei

J/ψ as indicator for QGP formation in relativistic nucleus-nucleus collisions:

NA50: 400 GeV/c p + A → J/ψ(ψ') + X



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G. Borges, JPG 30 (2004) S1351, B. Alessandro *et al.*, EPJC 33 (2004) 31; EPJC 48 (2006) 329

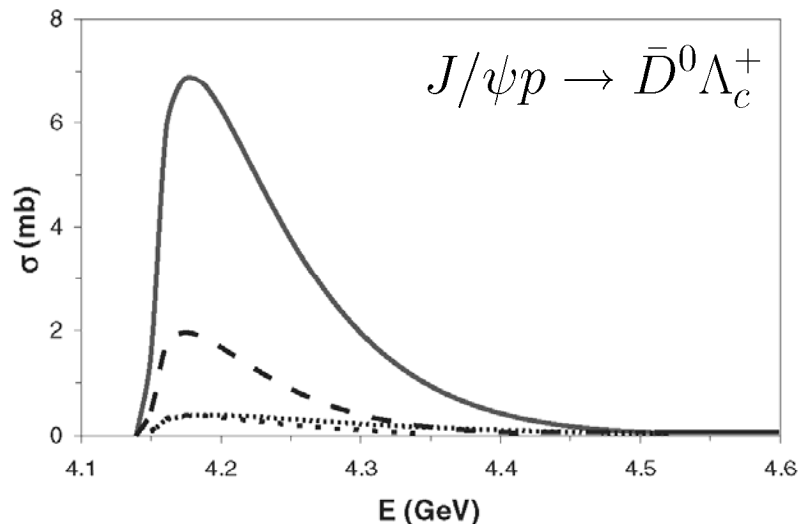
PHENIX:  $\sigma_{\text{diss}}^{J/\psi} \sim 3 \text{ mb}$ ; other analyses:  $\sigma_{\text{diss}}^{J/\psi} = 1 \dots 7 \text{ mb}$

**energy dependence uncertain**

# J/ψ absorption in nuclei

- model calculations show large variation of J/ψN cross section dependent on choice of parameters
- different predictions with meson-exchange and quark-interchange model

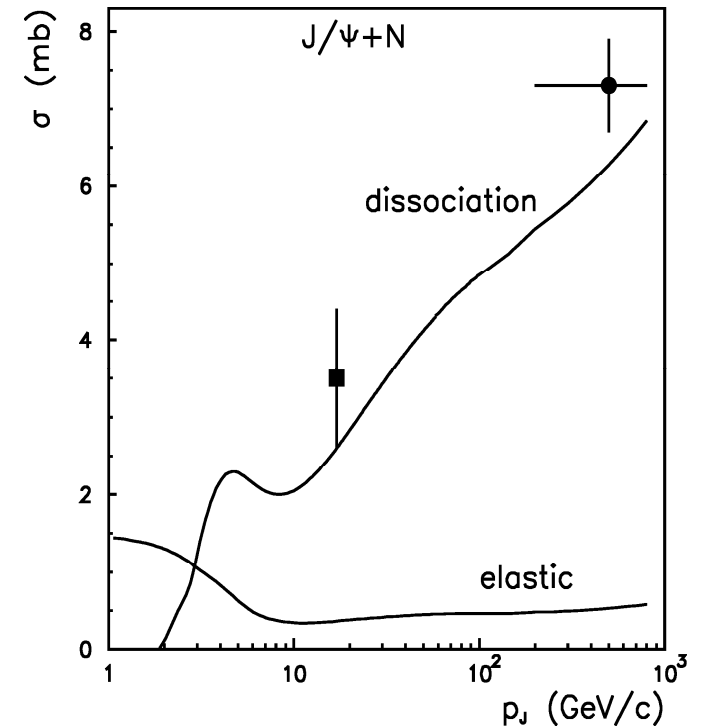
J.P. Hilbert *et al.*, PRC 75 (2007) 064907



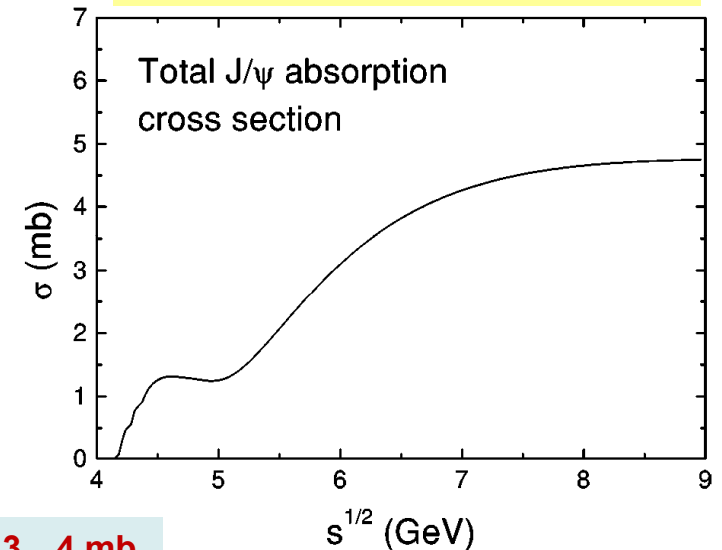
see also:

Y. Oh *et al.*,  
PRC 75 (2007) 064903

A. Sibirtsev *et al.*, PRC 63 (2001) 044906



W. Liu *et al.*, PRC 65 (2002) 015203



See also L. Gerland, L. Frankfurt, M. Strikman, PLB 619 (2005) 95: GVDM,  $\sigma_{J/\psi N} \sim 3...4$  mb

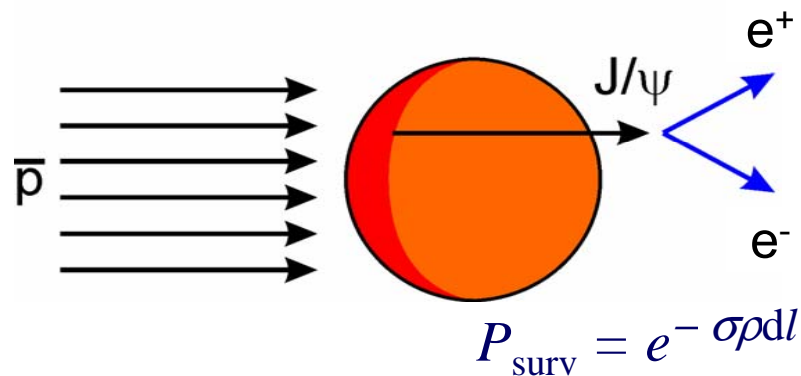


# J/ψ N dissociation cross section with $\bar{p}$

well-defined production 'on-resonance'

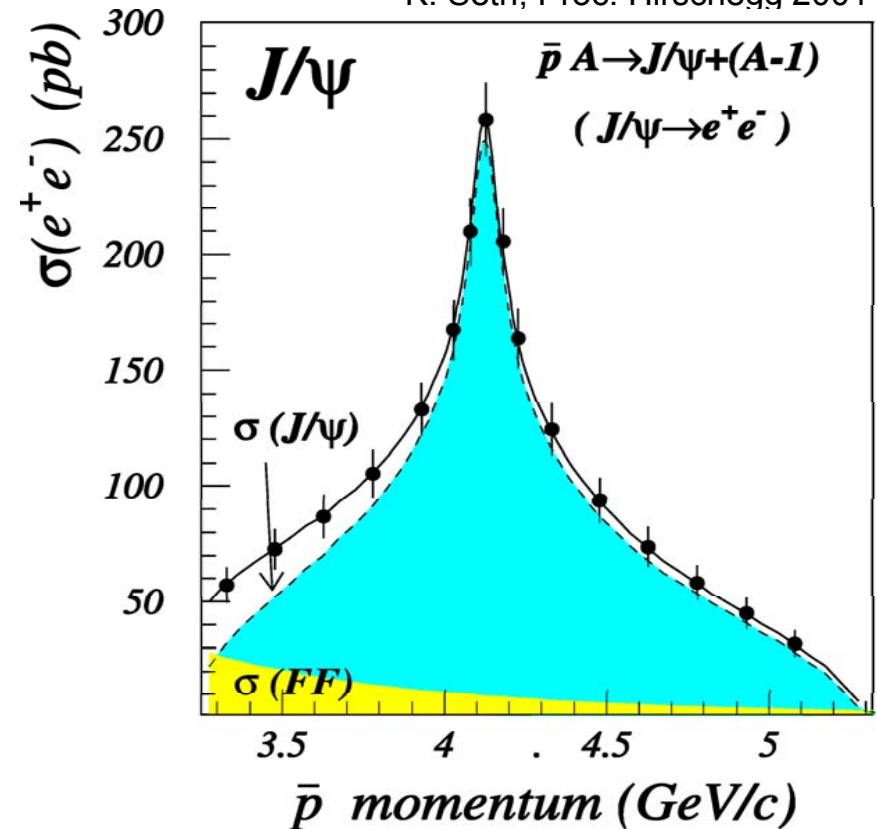
$$\bar{p} + A \rightarrow J/\psi + X \rightarrow e^+e^- + X$$

$$\bar{p} + A \rightarrow J/\psi + X \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- + X$$



measure cross section as function of A and  $p_{\bar{p}}$

deduce J/ψN dissociation cross section at *lower, well-defined* J/ψ momentum



K. Seth, Proc. Hirscheqq 2001

See also S.J. Brodsky, A.H. Müller, PLB 206 (1988) 685,  
G.R. Farrar, L.L. Frankfurt, M.I. Strikman, NPB 345 (1990) 125

**note:**  $\sigma_{\bar{p}A \rightarrow J/\psi X} \ll \sigma_{\bar{p}p \rightarrow J/\psi}$   
**need to detect S/B = 10<sup>-10</sup> !**

## J/ψ N dissociation cross section with PANDA

- “on-resonance”  $\rightarrow p_{\bar{p}} = 4.05 \text{ GeV}/c, \sqrt{s}_{J/\psi N} = 4.48 \text{ GeV}$
- rate of  $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^- / \mu^+\mu^-$ :  $\sim 20/d \times L/10^{30} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1} \times f_{\text{esc}} \times f_{\text{instr}}$
- no  $J/\psi$  background due to feeding from  $\psi'$
- only few open channels  $J/\psi N \rightarrow \bar{D}^{(*)}Y_c^{(*)}, \eta_c N, \chi_c N$
- $J/\psi N \rightarrow D\bar{D}N$  only with Fermi momentum  $-p_z > 0.23 \text{ GeV}/c$
- exclusive measurements of  $J/\psi n$  final states with  $\bar{p}d$
- systematic study of inclusive ‘resonant’  $J/\psi$  production with  $D_2, N_2, Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe, Au$  (?) targets

## Simulation studies for PANDA

- First detailed simulation studies done

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- Signal:

- use  $\bar{p}A \rightarrow J/\psi X$  event generator

A. Sibirtsev

- 80 k 4.05 GeV/c  $\bar{p} + {}^{40}\text{Ca} \rightarrow J/\psi + X \rightarrow e^+e^- + X$

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- Background:

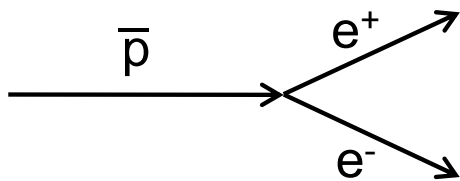
- 26.4 M UrQMD 4.05 GeV/c  $\bar{p} + {}^{40}\text{Ca}$  generic background

- 30 M 4.05 GeV/c  $\bar{p} + 'p' \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ ; 'p' with Fermi momentum

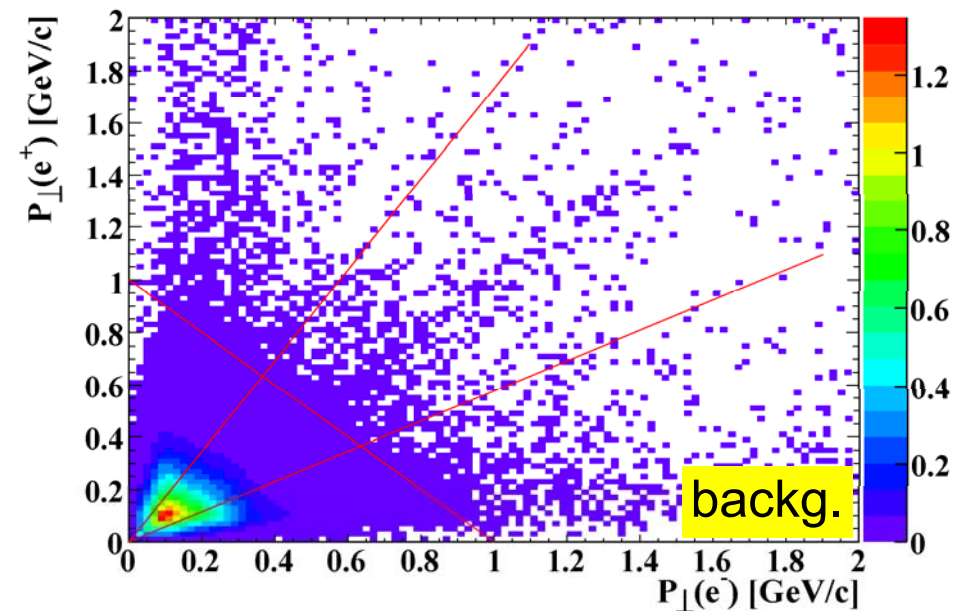
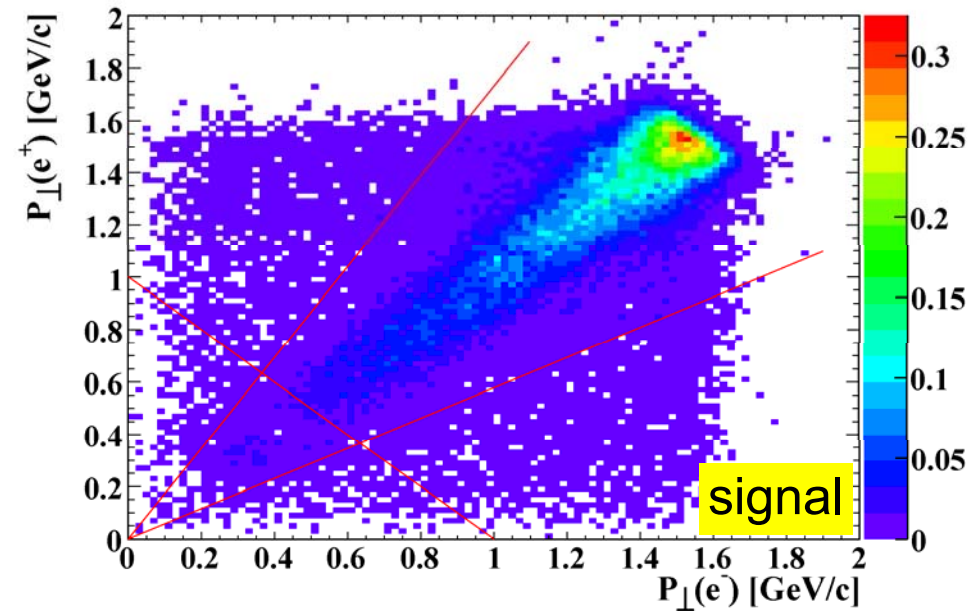
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$e^+e^-$  identification  $\rightarrow$  background reduction not sufficient

$\rightarrow$  exploit topology of signal events:

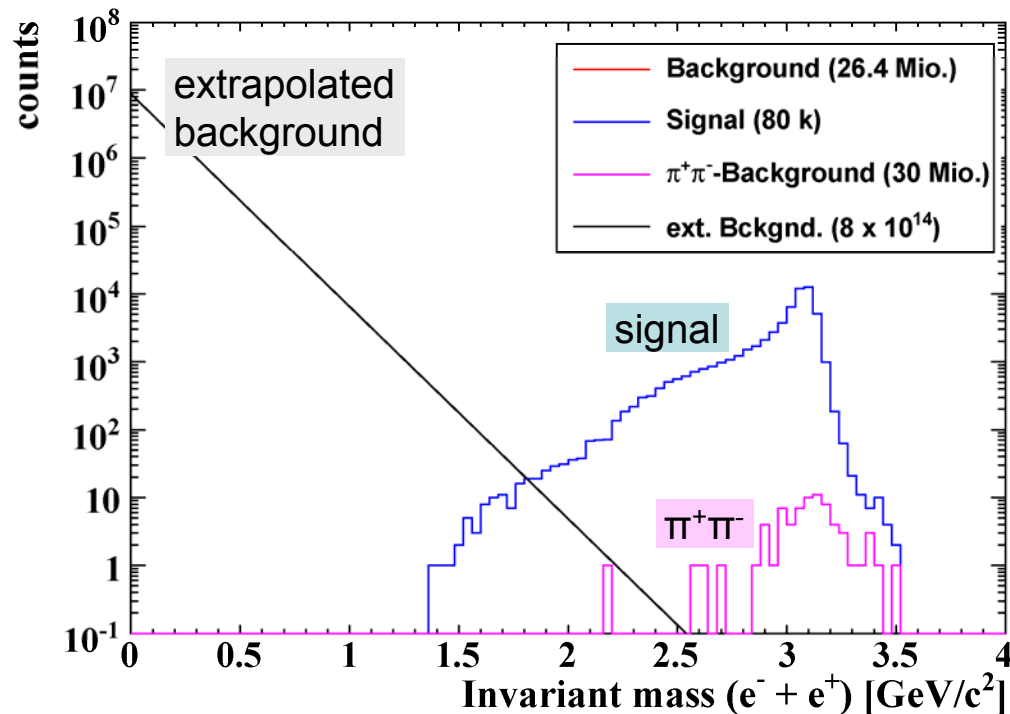


- track origin at primary vertex
- $p_z(e^+) + p_z(e^-) \sim p_z(\bar{p})$
- $p_x(e^+) + p_x(e^-) \sim 0$
- $p_y(e^+) + p_y(e^-) \sim 0$



## Simulation result

- reconstruction efficiency:  $\epsilon_{\text{signal}} = 0.73$
- background suppression for UrQMD generic: no event out of 26.4 M!  
 $f_{\text{bg}} < 3.8 \cdot 10^{-8} \rightarrow S/B > 5 \cdot 10^{-3}$
- background suppression for  $\pi^+\pi^-$ :  $2.4 \cdot 10^{-6} \rightarrow S/B \sim 10$



generic background needs to be extrapolated based on assumptions:

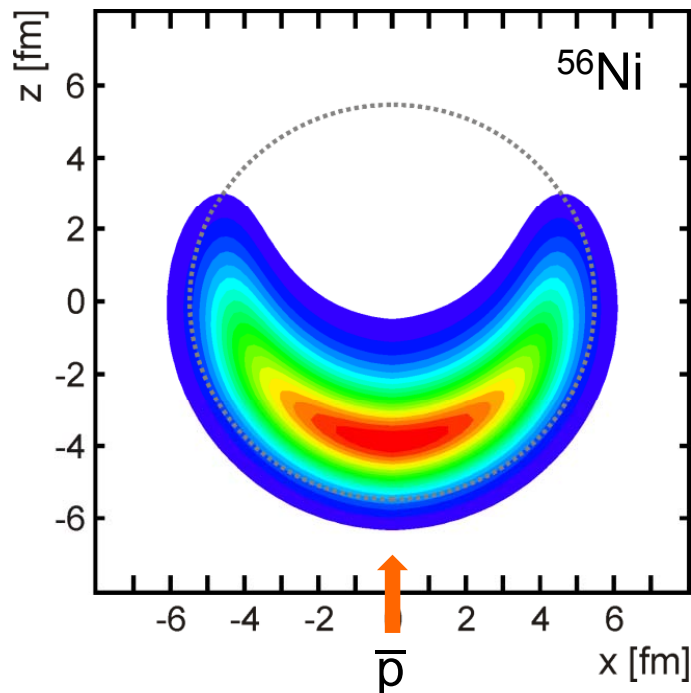
- integral background = 1 event
- background shape independent of cuts
- scale background sample up to  $8 \cdot 10^{14}$  events =  $10^{10} \times$  signal

# J/ψ N dissociation cross section from A dependence

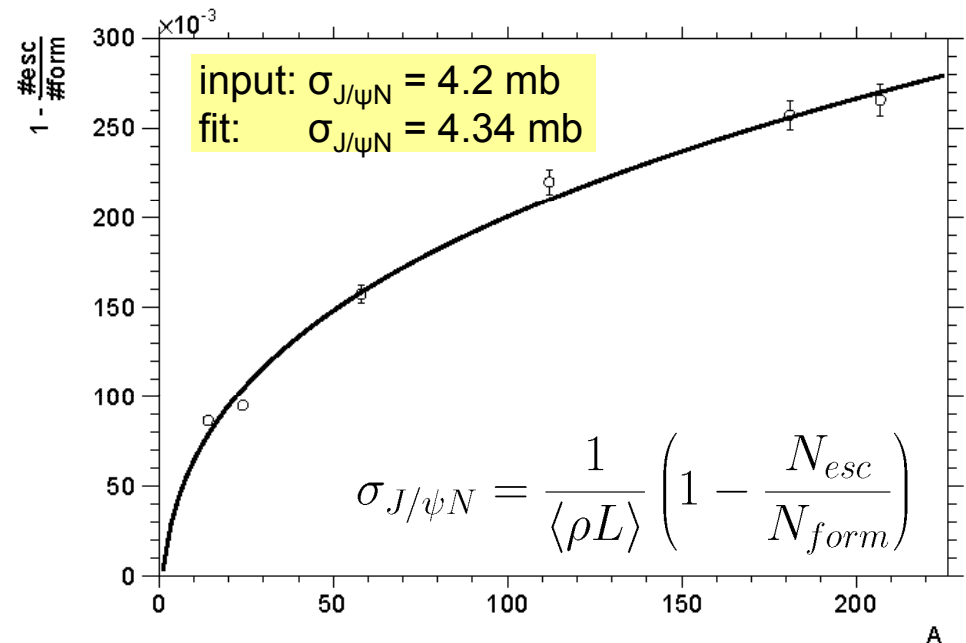
- 1<sup>st</sup> step: use simple geometric MC model:  
 $\bar{p}$  absorption, Fermi momentum, J/ψ absorption
- next step: use transport code, e.g. GiBUU

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distribution of J/ψ formation



$\sigma_{J/\psi N}$  extracted from A-dependence

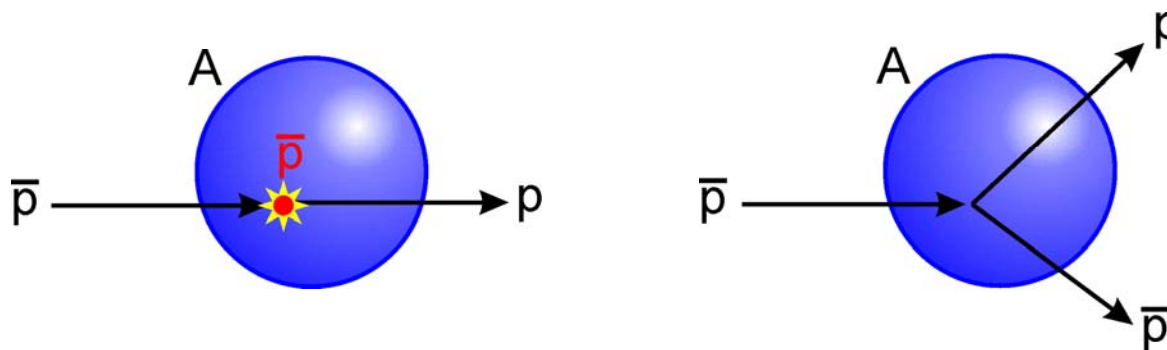
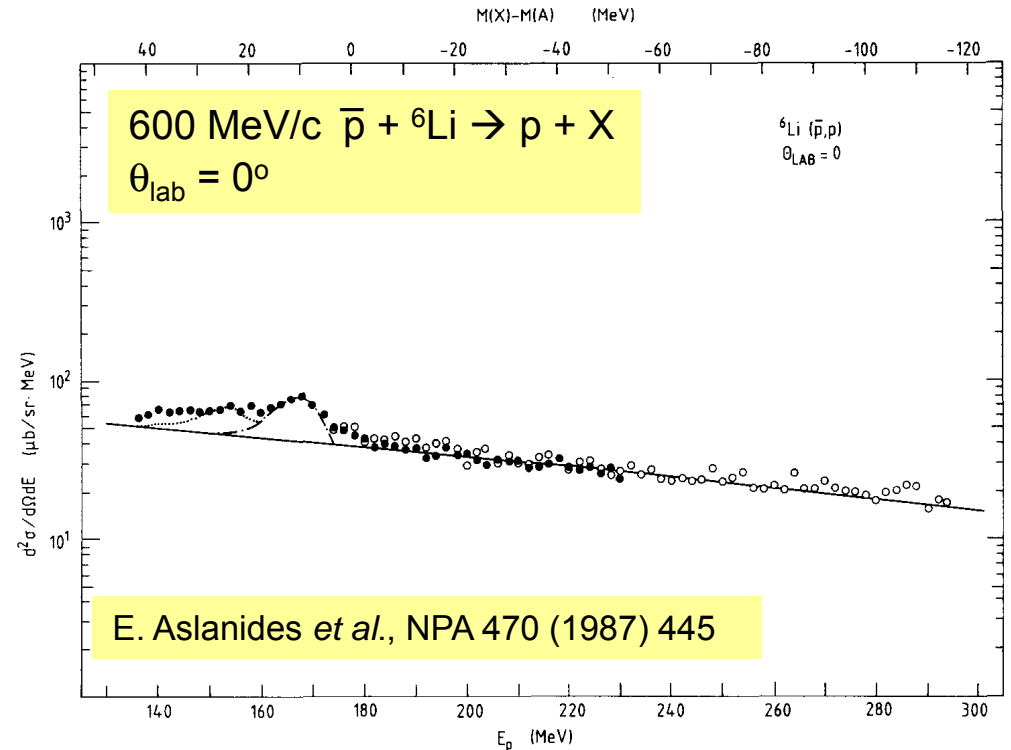


## Nuclear potential for non-charmed hadrons?

- charmed hadrons much too fast to feel nuclear potential
- access to nuclear potential for light (u,d,s) hadrons?
- methods:
  - reconstruct mass shift from in-medium decay
  - reconstruct excitation energy of residual system from missing mass measurement (~recoil-free kinematics)
  - transverse momentum distributions
- possible for  $\bar{p}$ ,  $\bar{\Lambda}$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\bar{K}$ ,  $\bar{K}^*$ ,  $\eta'$

# Antiprotons

- low energy measurements don't have sensitivity to  $\text{Re } U_{\bar{p}}$
- models predict deep potential with cold nuclear compression  
 I.N. Mishustin *et al.*, PRC 71 (2005) 035201,  
 A.B. Larionov *et al.*, PRC 78 (2008) 014604
- repeat p knock-out experiment at high energy with PANDA



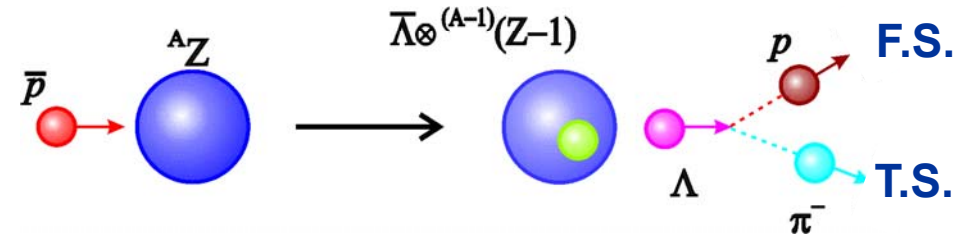
$M_{(A-1)\bar{p}}$  from  $MM_p$

$M_{(A-1)}$  from  $MM_{\bar{p}p}$

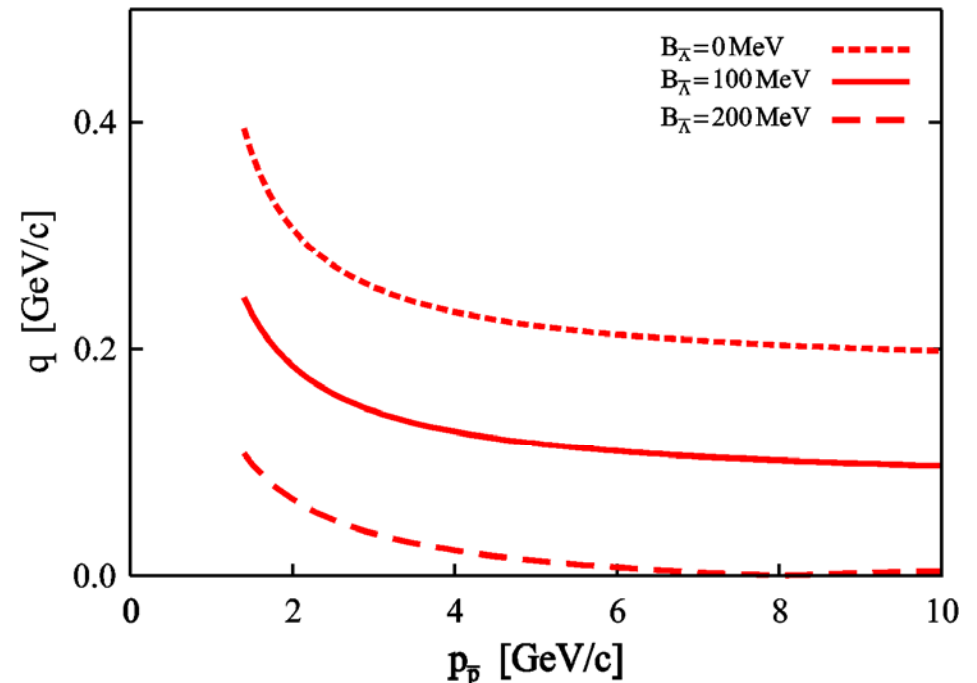


# Anti-Lambda's

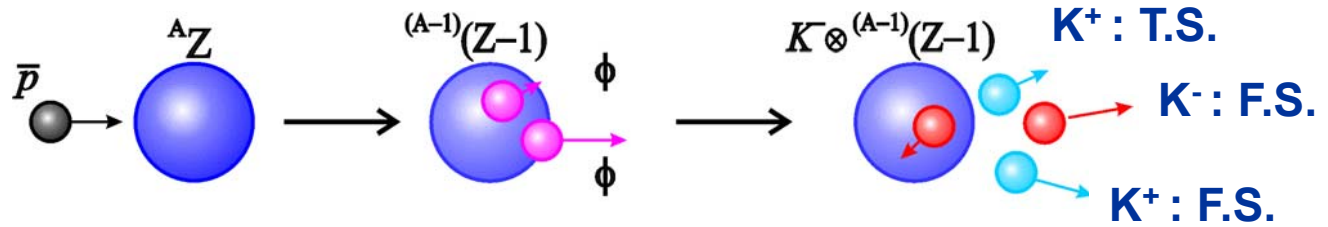
- nuclear potential non known
- use  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}\Lambda$  at  $\theta_{\Lambda} \sim 0^{\circ}$  with nuclear proton
- small momentum transfer
- $d\sigma/d\Omega_{\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}\Lambda}(\theta_{\Lambda} \sim 0^{\circ}) = 2 \mu\text{b/sr}$  at  $p = 1.77 \text{ GeV/c}$   
P.D. Barnes *et al.* (LEAR-PS185), PRC 54 (1996) 2831
- $\sigma \sim \mu\text{b}$ : large signal rate
- alternative proposal: measure  $\Lambda$  and  $\bar{\Lambda}$   $p_t$  distributions in coincidence  
J. Pochodzalla, PLB 669 (2008)306



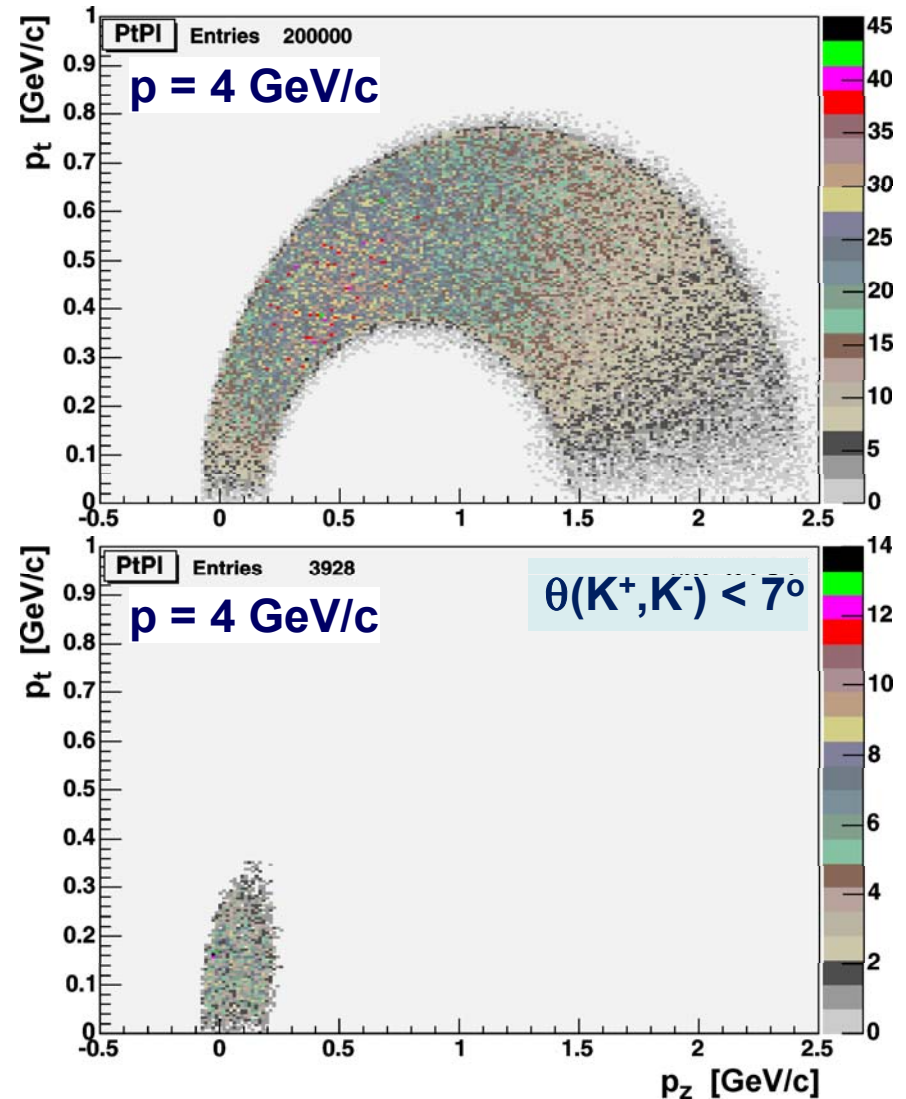
$$\bar{p} + A \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda} \otimes (A-1) + \Lambda \quad (\theta_{\Lambda} = 0^{\circ})$$



# Anti-Kaons



- nuclear potential of  $\bar{K}$  still controversially discussed
- use  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \phi\phi$  at  $\theta = 0^\circ$  to produce slow  $K^-$  in nuclei
- $\sigma_{\bar{p}p \rightarrow \phi\phi} \approx 4 \mu\text{b}$  at  $p = 1.4 \text{ GeV}/c$   
JETSET: PLB 345 (1995) 325
- $K^-$  captured in attractive potential
- measure  $\phi K^+$  missing mass
- problem: detect and identify slow  $K^+$



## New ideas: Color Transparency (CT)

- initiated by B. Pire, M. Strikman and others
- small size color-neutral objects have reduced cross section
- analogous effect in QED
- conditions to observe CT:
  - large momentum transfer  $Q^2$   
 $\rightarrow$  transverse size  $d \sim 1/\sqrt{Q^2} \ll$  hadron size
  - high momentum of produced hadrons  
 $\rightarrow l_{\text{coh}} \sim 0.6 \text{ fm} \times p [\text{GeV}/c] > d_{\text{NN}}$
- CT established at high energies
- CT at intermediate energies in  $(e, e' \pi^+)$  at JLAB

B. Clasie *et al.*,  
PRL 99 (2007) 242502

## CT at PANDA: $\bar{p} A \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- (A-1)$

- exclusive: need missing mass resolution  $\delta M \ll m_\pi$  ( $\sim$  few 10 MeV)

- $\sigma_{\text{tot}}(\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) \sim$  few  $\mu\text{b}$

$R \sim$  few 10/s at  $L = 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

- e.g.  $p = 15 \text{ GeV}/c$ ,  $\theta_{\text{cm}} = 90^\circ$  :

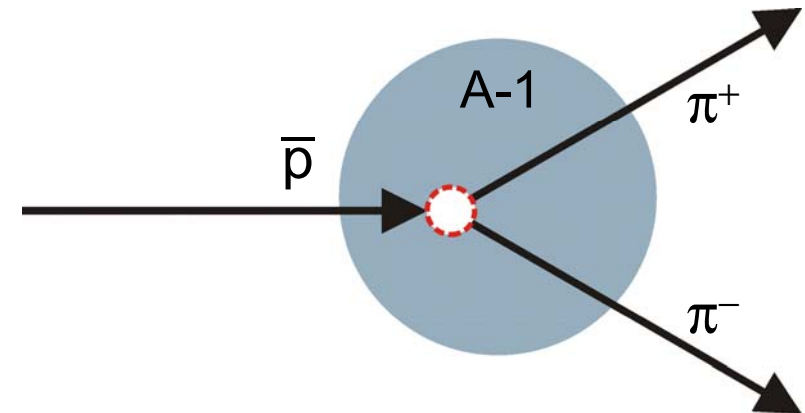
pion transverse and longitudinal momenta:

$p_l = 7.5 \text{ GeV}/c$ ,  $p_t = 0.93 \text{ GeV}/c$  **larger than in JLab experiment**

$t = -14.1 \text{ GeV}^2$

$\theta_\pi^{(\text{lab})} = 7^\circ$ , Lorentz boost  $\gamma_\pi = 54$

- many other reactions should and can be studied:  $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \rho\pi, \bar{K}K, \phi\phi, \bar{p}p, \bar{\Lambda}\Lambda, \bar{\Sigma}\Sigma$

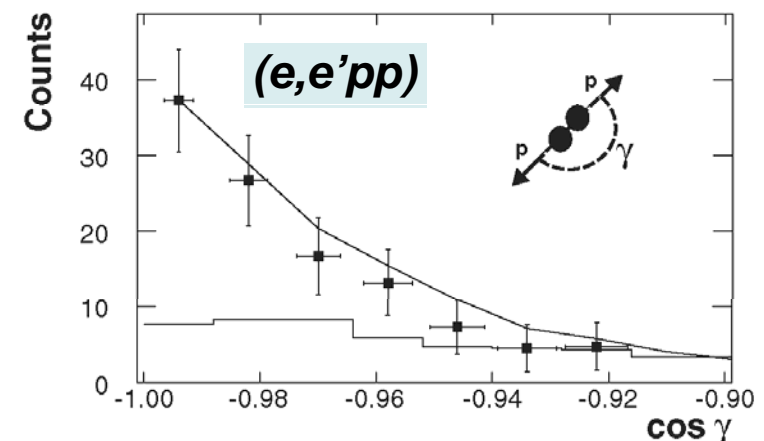
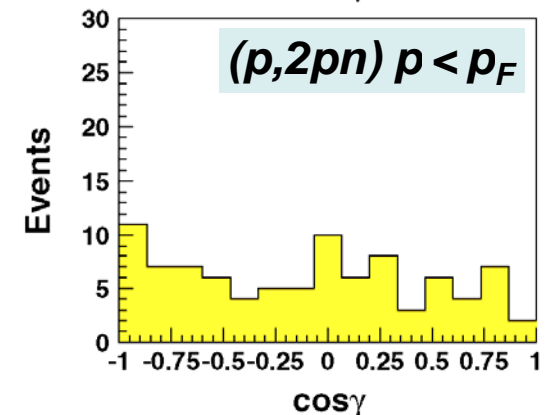
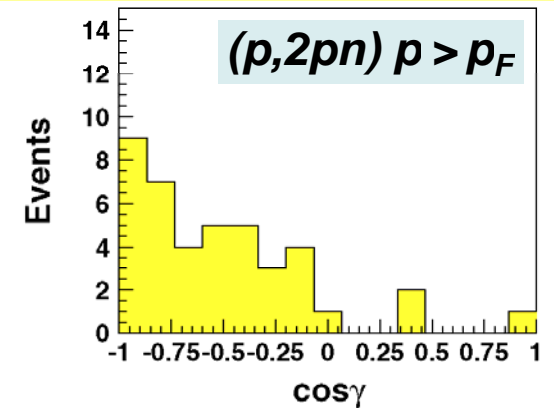


**measure transparency ratio:**

$$T = \frac{d\epsilon_A}{A d\epsilon_p}$$

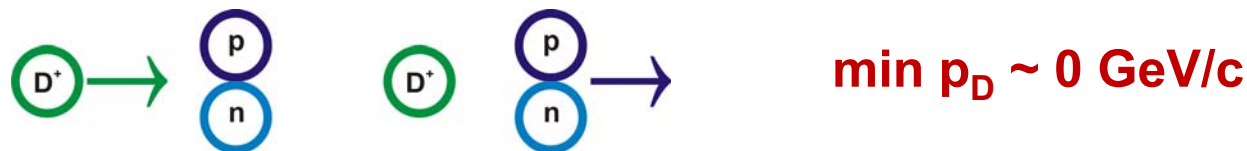
## Study of Short Range Correlations

- understanding of high momentum components / high density behavior of nuclear matter
- high momentum nucleons are paired
- recent observation at BNL and JLAB
- most nucleons with  $p > p_F$  are paired
- most pairs are pn
- pp pairs are rare but particularly interesting since directly related to high density matter in neutron stars
- PANDA can observe both pp and pn correlations



## Outlook: slow $D/\bar{D}$ mesons in nuclei

- $m_D \sim 2m_N \rightarrow D$  can be stopped in the nucleus if its momentum is transferred to a NN pair



- “3<sup>rd</sup> generation” experiment at PANDA: combine D meson production with knock-out of correlated NN pair
- very low cross section expected
- excitation energy of the residual D-mesic nuclear system needs to be reconstructed from complicated final state

# Outlook: slow $D/\bar{D}$ mesons in nuclei (2)

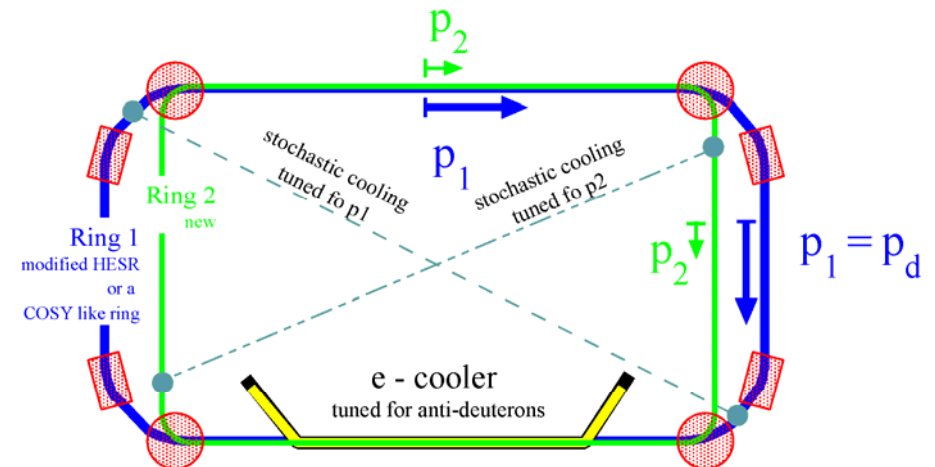
- consider  $\bar{d}d$  annihilation: how likely is  $6\bar{q}-6q$  annihilation into  $c\bar{c}$  ?
- $\bar{d}$  observed in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation at CLEO and at Belle
  - D.M. Asner *et al.*, PRD 75 (2007) 012009
  - S. Künze *et al.*, DPG 2010, HK 36.11

- $d$  form factor measured in  $e^-$  scattering up to  $Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$

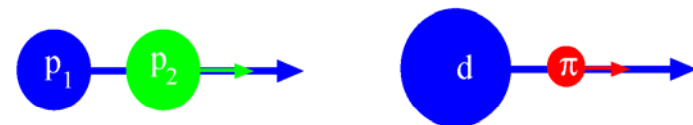
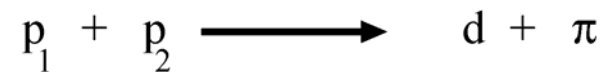
$$(1 + Q^2/m_p^2) F_d(Q^2) \approx 4 \cdot 10^{-2} F_{1p}^2(Q^2/4)$$

R.G. Arnold *et al.*, PRL 35 (1975) 776

- concept for  $\bar{d}$  breeding in  $\bar{p}\bar{p} \rightarrow \bar{d}\pi^-$  using double-ring collider with momentum matching exists:
  - $\sim 20000 \bar{d}/\text{day}$  estimated



reaction:



D. Möhl *et al.*, NIM 202 (1982) 427,  
K. Kilian *et al.*, FAIR-Lol (2004)

## Summary

- With its universal design PANDA allows to address many different physics questions in antiproton-nucleus collisions.
- As a first step to study the interaction of charmed hadrons with nucleons we are planning the measurement of the  $A$  dependence of resonant  $J/\psi$  formation.
- Hadrons with light quarks ( $\bar{p}$ ,  $\bar{\Lambda}$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\bar{K}$ ) can be studied at rest or low momentum in the nuclear environment in recoil-free reactions.
- The study of hard exclusive reactions inside nuclei gives access to phenomena like color transparency or short range correlations.
- The observation of  $D$  meson mass shifts,  $D$ -mesic nuclear states or anti-charmed nuclei requires complicated reaction schemes.





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