ϕ and ω mesons in a nuclear medium and the nuclear photoproduction reaction (II)

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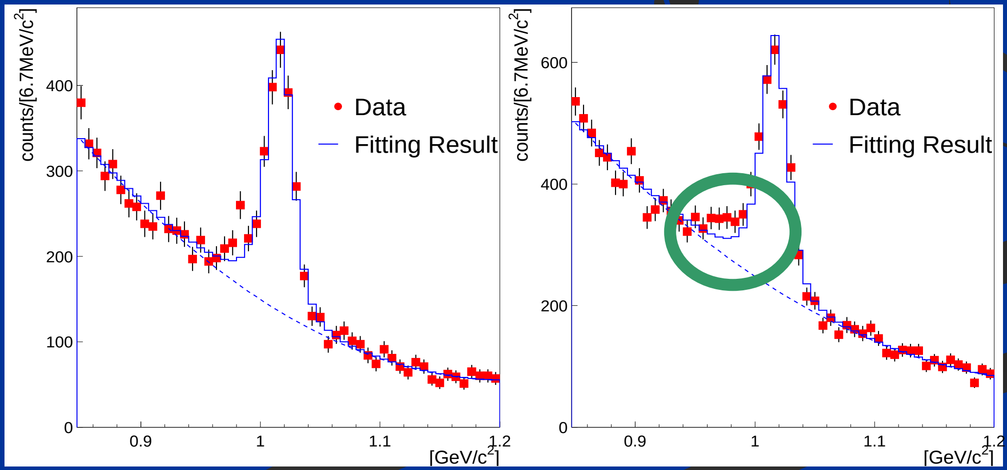
Summary for ϕ meson

ϕ meson mass and decay width in a nuclear medium

- Model calculation based on (anti-)kaon selfenergies
- ϕ decay width increases considerably in nuclear matter (6-8 Γ_{ϕ}^{free} at ρ_0)
- Very small change in the ϕ mass
- Very recent analysis from *p-A* dilepton spectrum from *KEK-PS* shows some nuclear medium effect *($\Delta M_{\phi} \approx$ -40 MeV, Γ_{ϕ} (ρ_0) $\approx$ 10 Γ_{ϕ}^{free}*, no *p* dep.*)*



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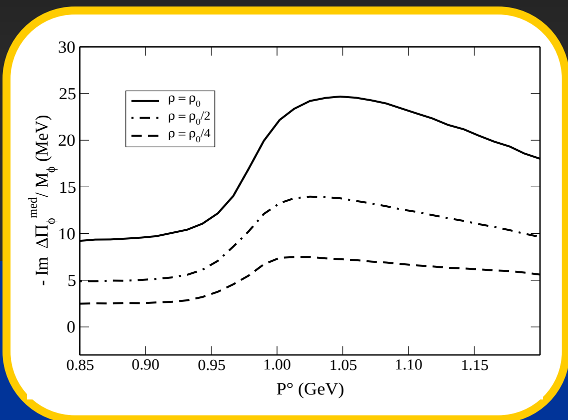
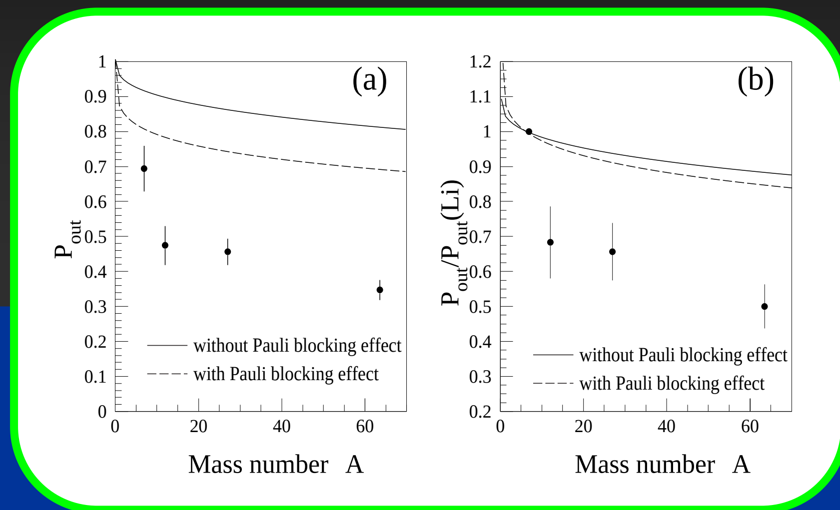




Inclusive nuclear ϕ photoproduction: *A* dependence

- *A* dependence of loss of ϕ flux can be related to the in-medium ϕ decay width
- Clear deviation from unity in the calculated ϕ survival probability indicates a loss of ϕ flux due to nuclear medium effects
- Experimental results from LEPS find a reduction in the survival probability, *stronger effect than calculated*

ω meson: Outline

(Recent) experimental information on the ω meson in-medium decays

Overview of some theoretical work

ω meson in the medium: experimental information

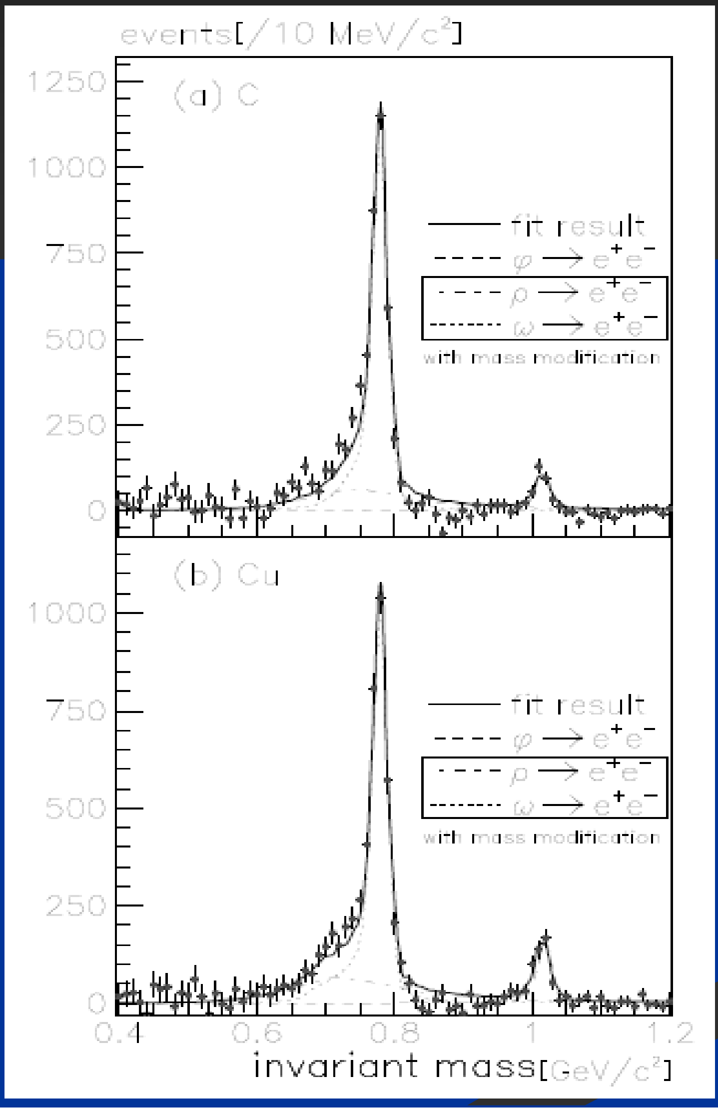
- Very small width in vacuum, mostly from 3π decay
- Appears overlapped with the ρ meson in the mass spectrum
- Several theoretical calculations predict *sizable changes* in mass / decay width at finite ρ or T
- Current experiments search for medium modifications in *mass spectrum observable* of decay products

Recent experimental results:

- *KEK-PS E325: p-A* reaction + $\rho/\omega \rightarrow e^+e^-$ decay
- CB-TAPS/ELSA Col. @ Bonn: nuclear ω photoproduction + $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$ decay

ω meson in the medium: experimental information

- *KEK-PS E325: p-A* reaction + $\omega \to e^+e^-$ decay *M. Naruki et al., nucl-ex/0504016*



- 50 times 2001 statistics
- e^+e^- mass resolution 8 MeV (ρ/ω) and 10 MeV (ϕ)
- Yield excess below ω mass:

$M_V(\rho)/M_V = 1 - k\ \rho/\rho_0$, $k \approx 0.10$ <u>*from fit*</u>

(k = 0.10-0.22, Hatsuda, Lee, Shiomi '95)

- <u>No broadening is assumed</u>
- Actually, <u>no broadening is favoured</u> in the analysis

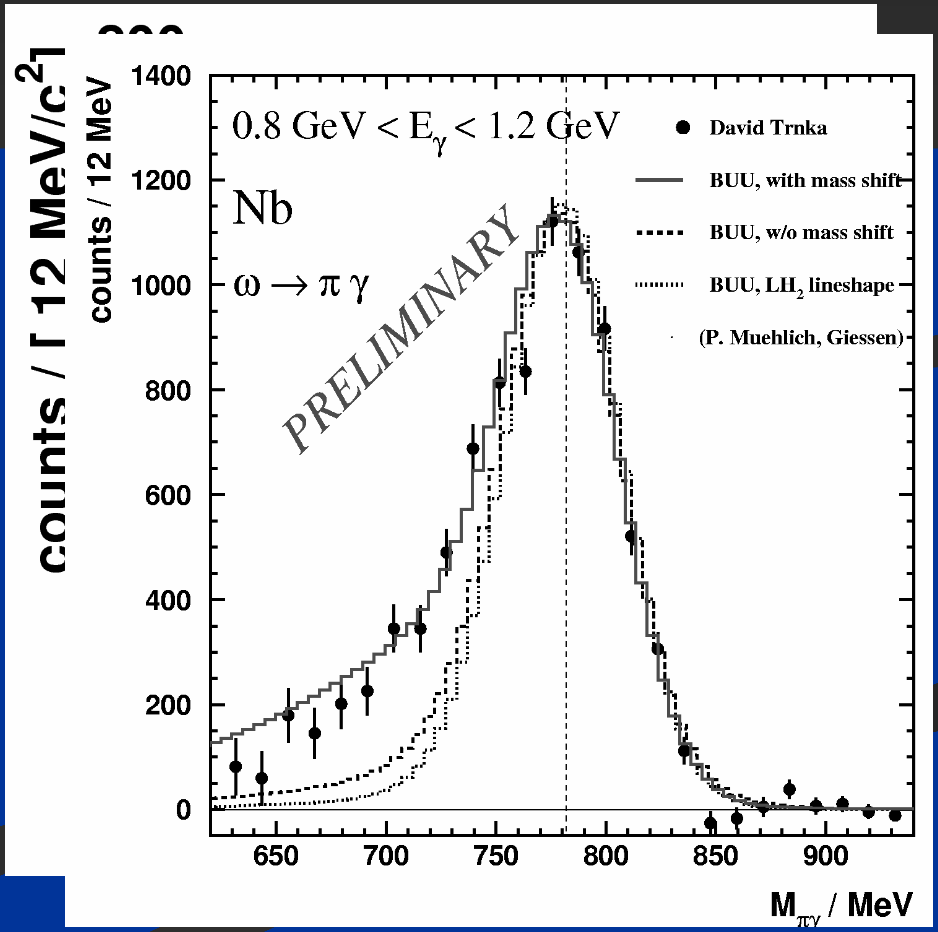
ω meson in the medium: experimental information

- CB-TAPS@ELSA Col.: nuclear ω photoproduction + $\omega \to \pi^0\,\gamma$ decay

- $\pi^0\,\gamma$ decay: much suppressed for ρ meson (10^{-2}) $\longrightarrow$ no overlap
- Sizable enhancement of spectrum below M_ω
- Effect vanishes when increasing p_ω cuts
- Width dominated by exp. resolution (Γ_ω < 55 MeV at estimated $\rho = 0.6\rho_0$)

BUU transport calculation incl. FSI, collisional broadening and explicit ΔM_ω proportional to density (-16% at ρ_0)

P. Mühlich et al., Eur. Phys. J. A20 (2004) 499



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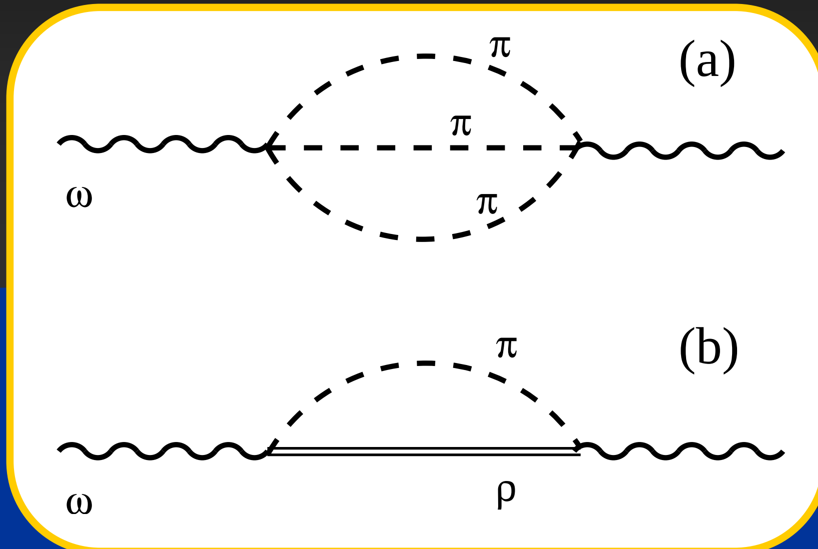
ω meson in the medium: theoretical approaches

A simple calculation in a selfenergy approach

$$\mathcal{L}^{(3)}_{V\Phi} = \frac{i\,h}{4 f_\pi^3}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\mathrm{tr}(V_\mu \partial_\nu \Phi \partial_\alpha \Phi \partial_\beta \Phi) + \frac{g_{VVP}}{4 f_\pi}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\mathrm{tr}(\partial_\mu V_\nu V_\alpha \partial_\beta \Phi)\,,$$



$\rho\pi$ decay is about 90% of $\Gamma(\omega \to 3\pi)$

(from $\phi \to (\omega) \to 3\pi$ and radiative decays)

P. Jain et al., Phys. Rev. D37 (1988) 3252; F. Klingl et al., Z. Phys. A356 (1996) 193

Medium effects on intermediate mesons:

- 3π: plenty of phase space, pion attraction will not make a strong effect
- $\rho\pi$: not open at the physical ρ mass, only the *low energy ρ tail* is explored ($E \sim 500$ MeV, $p \sim 200$ MeV)

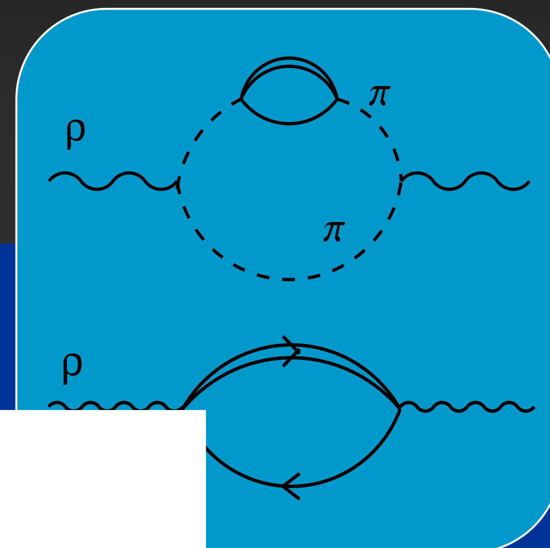
ρ spectral function enhanced in this region at finite nuclear density

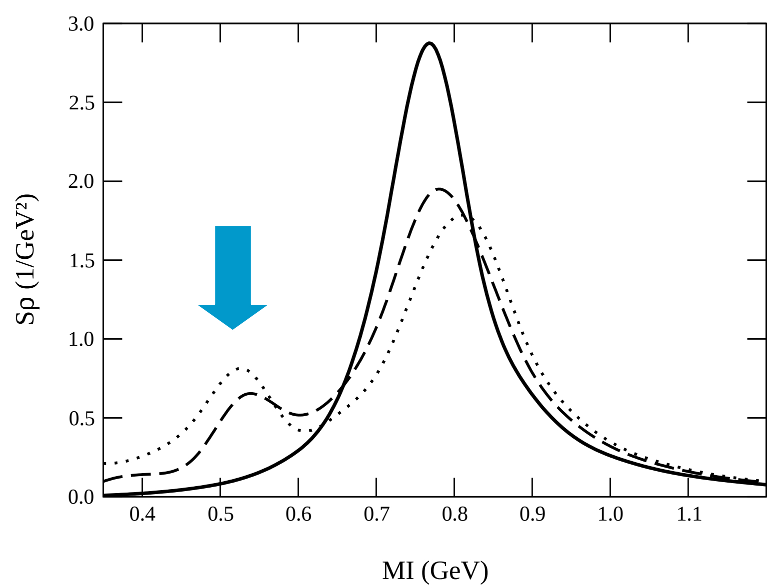
ω meson in the medium: theoretical approaches

A simple calculation in a selfenergy approach

Several in-medium mechanisms could spread ρ spectral density to lower energies:

- π selfenergy *(ph*, Δ*h)*
- ρ coupling to *ph*, Δ*h* states (for $p_\rho \neq 0$)
- Excitation of *Rh* states (ex. *N**(1520),...)





D.Cabrera et al., Nucl. Phys. A705 (2002) 90

-) = 420 MeV
- = 910 MeV
- *h* π) ≈ 600 MeV

at rest:

V (Γ_ω^{vac} = 8.49 MeV)

excitation!!)

ω meson in the medium: theoretical approaches

Many other mechanisms have been studied

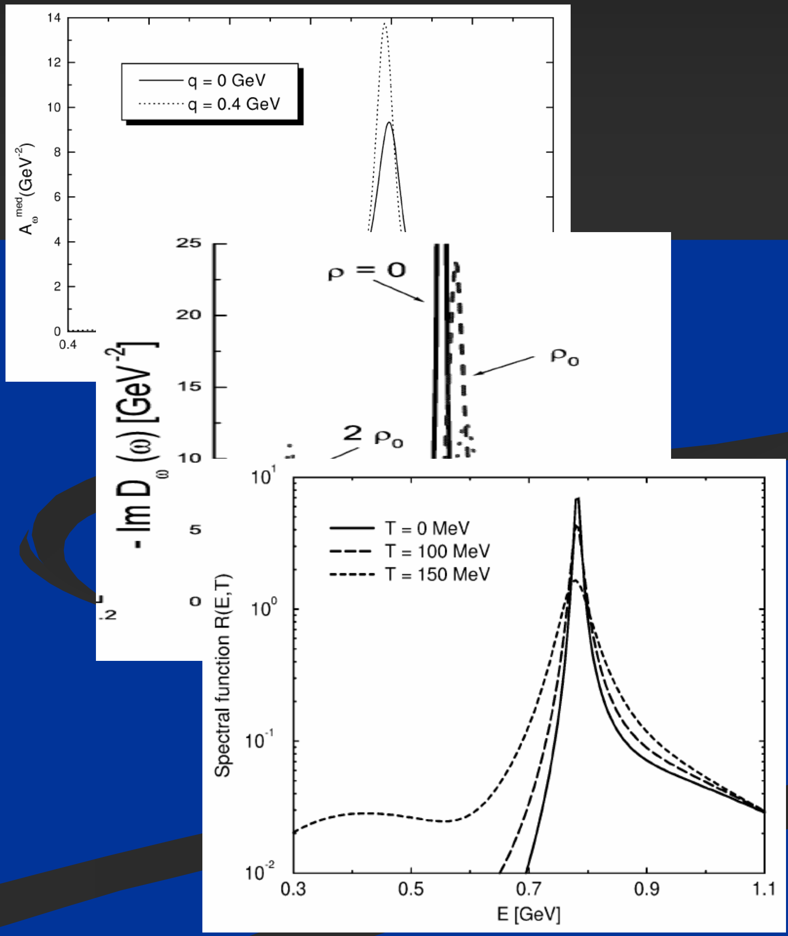
- $\omega N \to \pi N$, $\omega N \to \rho N \to [\pi\pi]N$ in a Chiral SU(3) Lagrangian approach: $\Delta\Gamma_\omega \approx 40$ MeV! *F. Klingl et al. Nucl. Phys. A624 (1997) 527; A650 (1999) 299*

- ω coupling to several *Rh* states *(N*(1520)h, N*(1650)h, ...) M. Post et al. Nucl. Phys. A688 (2001)808; M. Lutz et al Nucl. Phys. A706 (2002) 431*

- Self-consistent determination of ρ and ω spectral functions *F. Riek et al., Nucl. Phys. A740 (2004) 287*

- Finite *T* effects (ex. $\omega\pi \to \pi\pi$, thermally excited pions) *R. Rapp, Phys. Rev. C63 (2001) 054907; R. Schneider et al., Phys. Lett. B515 (2001) 89; A. Martell et al., Phys. Rev. C69 (2004) 065206*

- QCD sum rules calculations *S. Zschocke et al., Phys. Lett. B562 (2993) 57*



ω meson in the medium: theo + exp

Γ_ω expected to increase ≈ one order of magnitude, the ω still keeping its resonant shape as a quasiparticle in the nuclear medium

This should be observable as a (A-dependent) clear loss of ω flux in a nuclear photoproduction experiment...

...well suited to provide COMPLEMENTARY information to the measure of the mass spectrum observable in vector meson decays

What is needed (from ϕ experience) ?

- Good control of *coherent production*
- Reliable calculations of ω properties at finite p_ω

If some effect is observed...

- Clear evidence of medium effects on the ω meson (Γ_ω)
- Test of ρ and *p* dependence of calculated ω nuclear potentials

Conclusions

- Much work has been carried out regarding the properties of vector mesons in dense and hot matter

- Narrow vector mesons (ϕ, ω) have recieved less attention, but very exciting experimental results have been found recently in production reactions in nuclei

ω meson properties

- Sizable medium effects theoretically estimated
- Some effect experimentally observed in nuclear photoproduction + $\pi^0\,\gamma$ decay by CB-TAPS/ELSA
- We suggest that measurement of loss of ω flux (and *A*-dependence) could provide complementary information (Γ_ω)

Outlook and work in progress

ϕ meson selfenergy and nuclear ϕ photoproduction

- Calculate *A* dependence of loss of ϕ flux for different kaon-antikaon potentials (shallow-deep) $\longrightarrow$ study sensitivity of P_{out}
- Study other possible effects leading to a flux reduction: $\phi \to 3\pi$ (small), quasi-elastic ϕN collisions (forward acceptance)
- Extend the model for finite temperature (application to HIC)

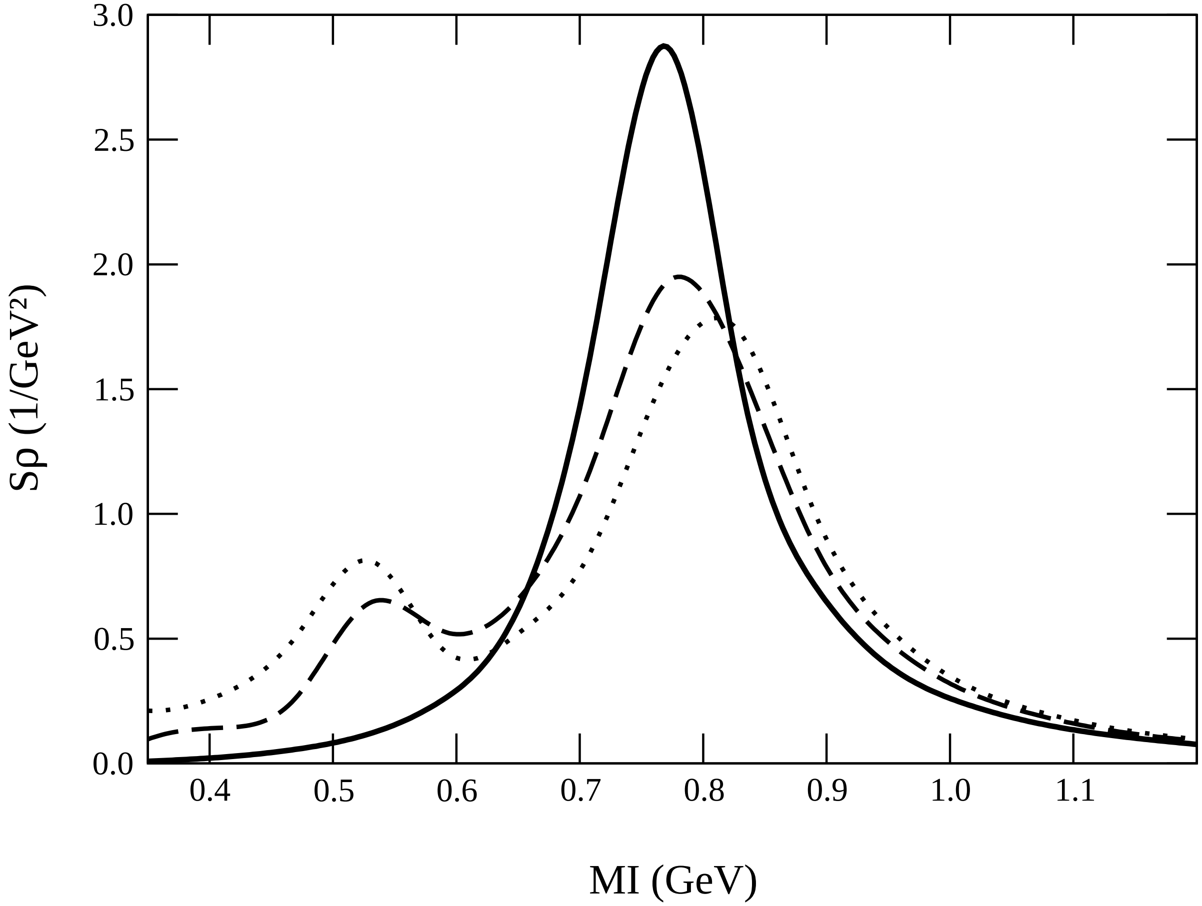
ω meson selfenergy

- Complete selfenergy calculation including pion cloud modifications, ρ selfenergy and coupling of ρ, ω to baryonic resonances (and finite *T*)
- Subthreshold coupling to $K\bar{K}$ $\longrightarrow$ *additional open channels in the nuclear medium (+ 5 MeV)*
- *Calculation of* P_{out} in ω nuclear photoproduction *(analysis of exp. data ongoing)*

Backup slides

ρ spectral function in nuclear matter (ρ at rest)

D. Cabrera, E. Oset and M.J. Vicente Vacas, Nucl Phys. A705 (2002) 90

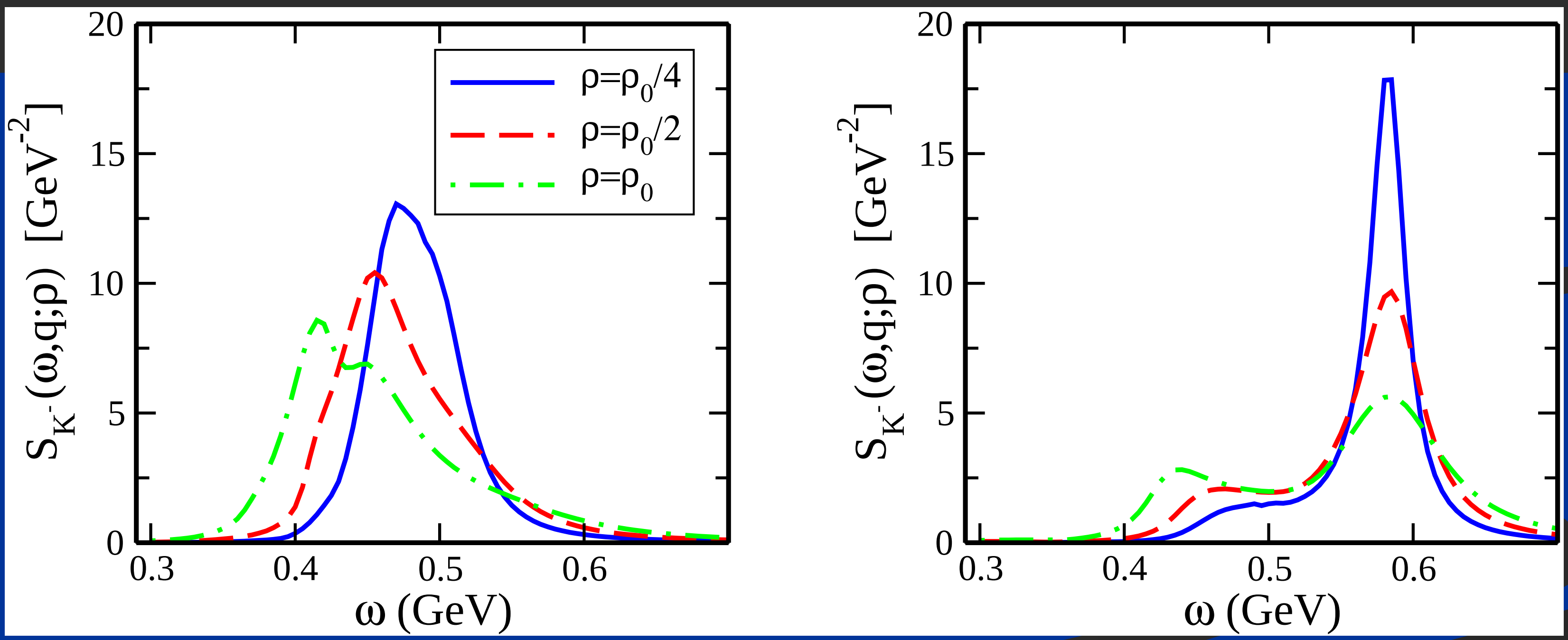


$$\phi \rightarrow (\omega) \rightarrow 3\pi$$

$$\phi \rightarrow (\omega) \rightarrow \rho\pi$$

Antikaon spectral function for several nuclear densities

A. Ramos and E. Oset, Nucl.Phys. A 671 (2000) 481

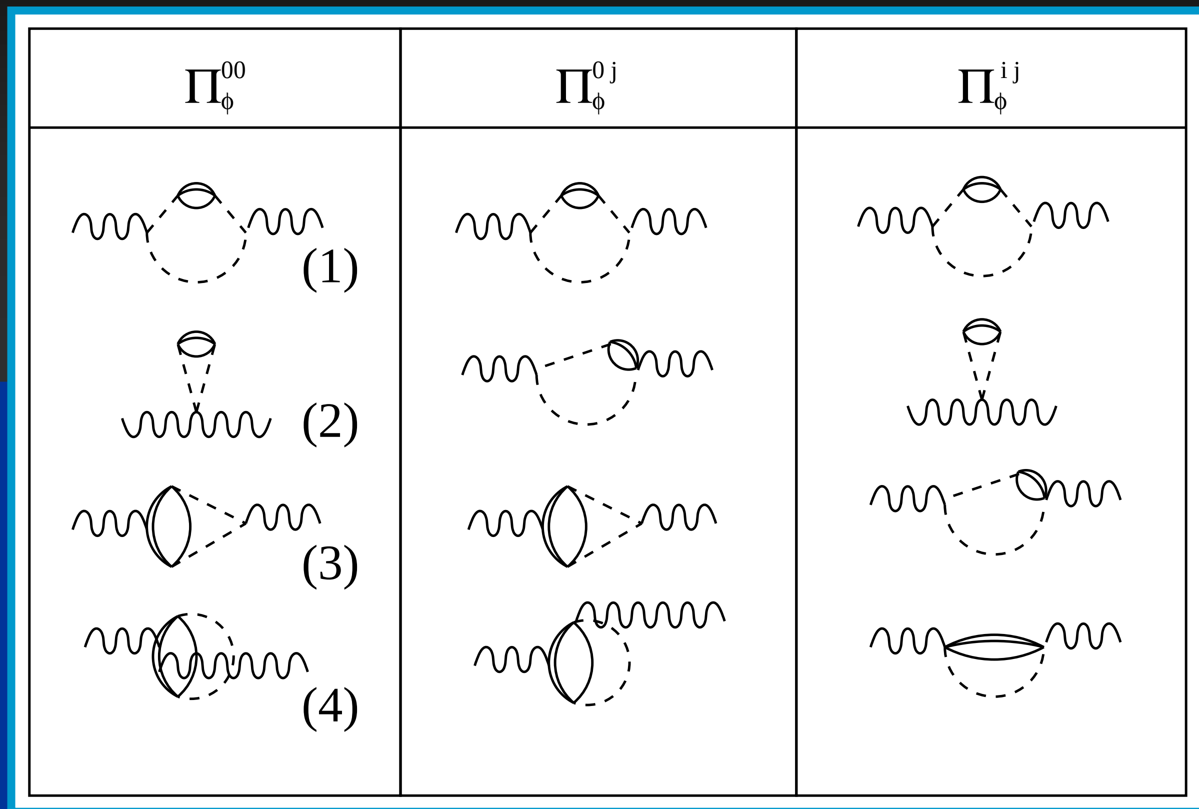


zero momentum *q=300 MeV*

ϕ selfenergy from kaon loop and tadpole diagrams, in terms of the spectral functions of the kaon propagators

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi_\phi(P^0;\rho) &= 2g_\phi^2\frac{1}{2\pi^2}\frac{4}{3}\int_0^\infty dq\,\vec{q}^{\,2}\Big\{\frac{\vec{q}^{\,2}}{\widetilde{\omega}(q)}\int_0^\infty d\omega\,\frac{S_{\bar{K}}(\omega,|\vec{q}|;\rho)\,(\omega+\widetilde{\omega}(q))}{(P^0)^2-(\omega+\widetilde{\omega}(q))^2+i\epsilon} \\ &+ \frac{3}{4}\Big[\int_0^\infty d\omega S_{\bar{K}}(\omega,|\vec{q}|;\rho)+\frac{1}{2\widetilde{\omega}(q)}\Big]\Big\}\end{aligned}$$

Vertex corrections and gauge invariance (II)



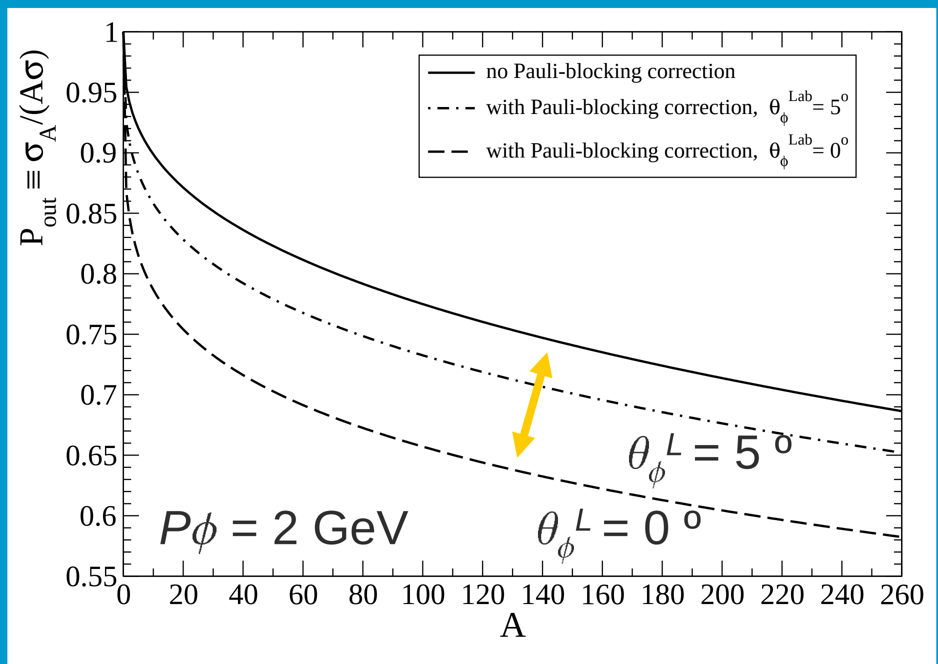
Detailed analysis of necessary diagrams to satisfy gauge invariance in a non-realtivistic approximation of vertices involving baryons and baryon propagators

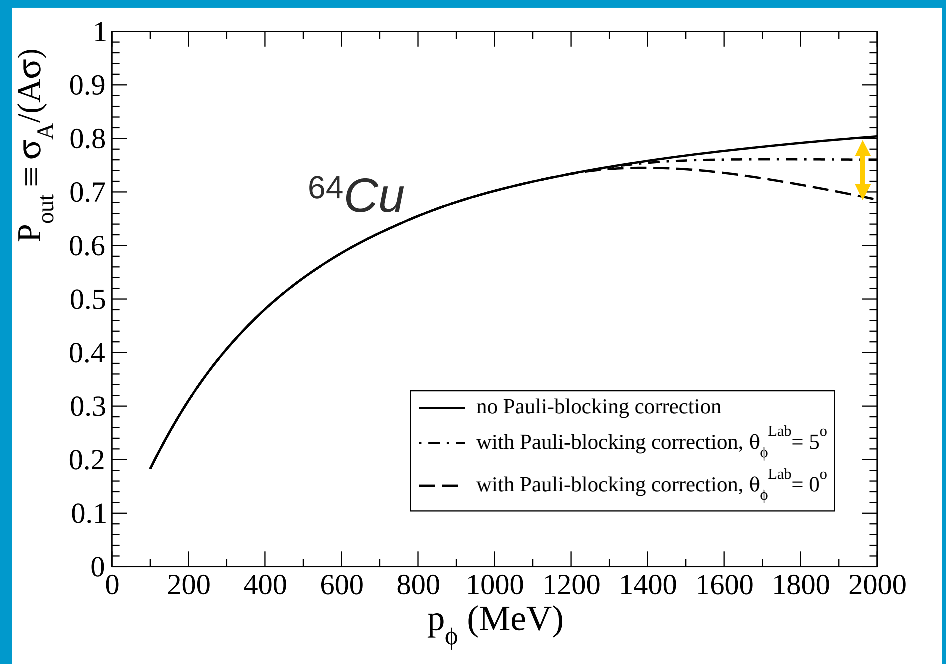
$$q_\mu \Pi_\phi^{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} q^0 \Pi_\phi^{00} = 0 \leftrightarrow \Pi_\phi^{00} \\ q^0 \Pi_\phi^{i0} = 0 \leftrightarrow \Pi_\phi^{i0} = 0 \\ q^0 \Pi_\phi^{0j} = 0 \leftrightarrow \Pi_\phi^{0j} = 0 \end{array}$$

(ϕ at rest in n.m.)

Inclusive nuclear ϕ photoproduction: results

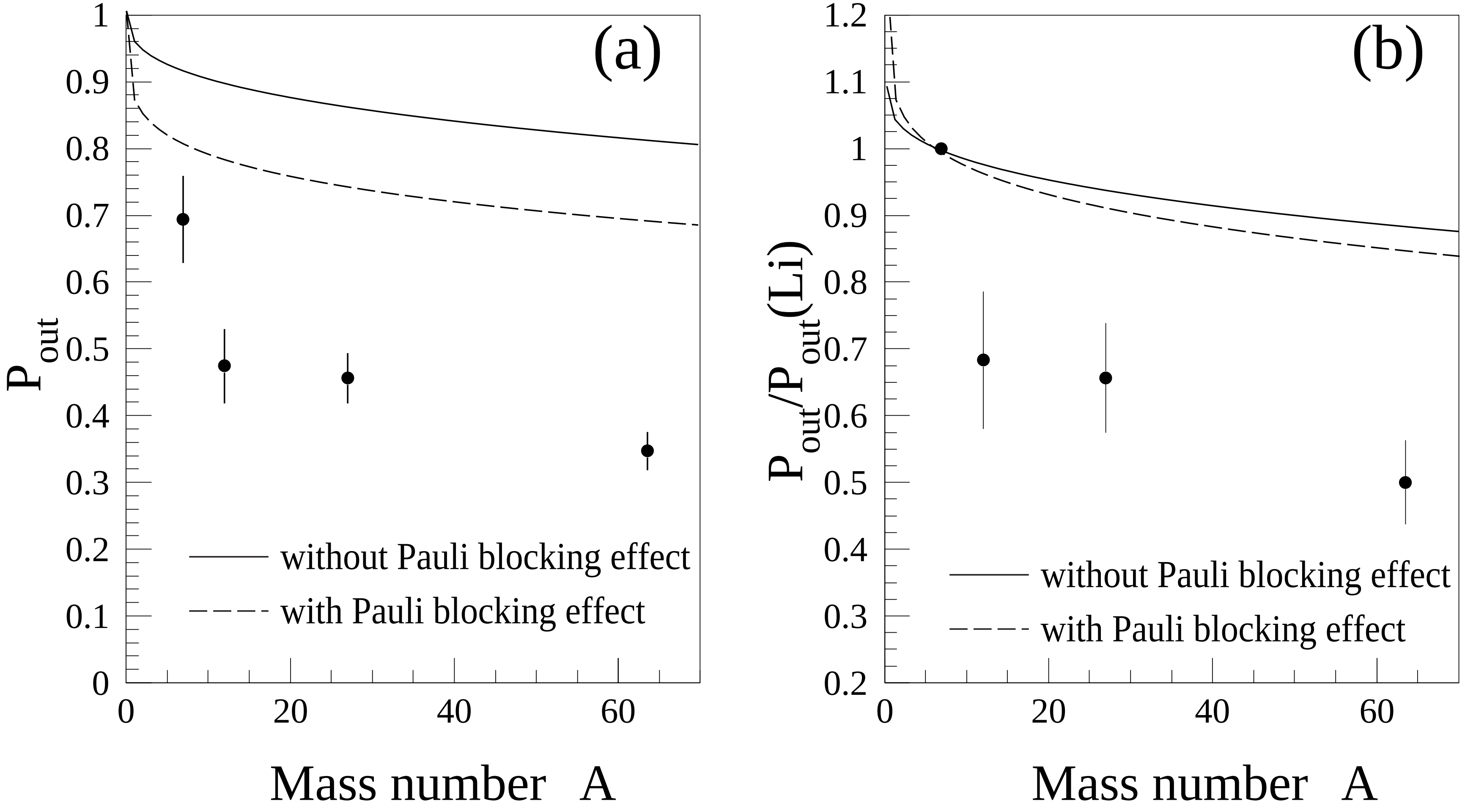
Other nuclear effects: Pauli blocking and Fermi motion





- Pauli blocking of the final nucleon is important for high P_ϕ (small momentum transfer)
- ϕ photoproduction is forward peaked, thus actual effect is to be found somewhere in θ_ϕ^L < a few degrees

Inclusive nuclear ϕ photoproduction: experimental results



T. Ishikawa et al., Phys. Lett. B608 (2005) 215

LEPS Collaboration

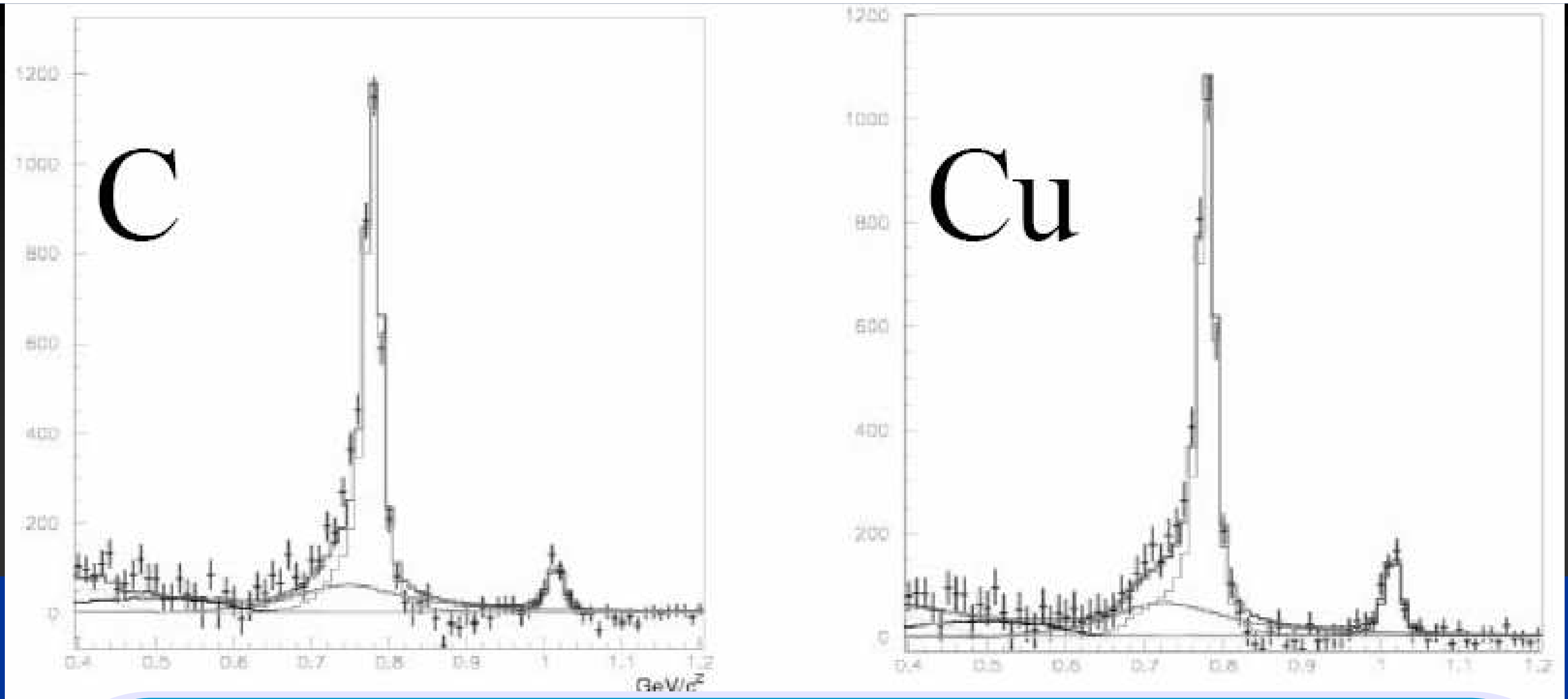
Toy model again : Width broadning of ϕ ?

- Many theoretical predeictions ...
  - Γ=22MeV, Δm=0 at $\rho=\rho_0$ (Oset et.al,2001)
  - Γ=30MeV, Δm=8MeV at $\rho=\rho_0$ (Cabrera et.al, 2003)
- Toy model like ρ&ω, including width (=decay prob.) change
- Inside-nucleus decay (=at $\rho > 0.5\ \rho_0$) probability for ϕ

	C	Cu
– natural width (Γ=4.4MeV)	C	Cu
• all our acceptances	1 %	3%
• slow ($\beta\gamma < 1.35$)	2 %	6%
– Γ=30MeV at $\rho=\rho_0$		
• all	5 %	18%
• slow	9 %	32%
– Observation : N(excess)/(N(excess)+N(ϕ))		
• all	(9+-7) %	(13+-7)%
• slow	(15+-15) %	(25+-12)%

- $\Gamma^*/\Gamma_0 = 1 + 6\ \rho^*/\rho_0$

  4.4 *7~30MeV at $\rho=\rho_0$)
  - <u>no theoretical basis</u>



Results from experiments measuring mass spectrum observable show some medium effects are there, BUT interpretation in terms of ΔM_V and / or $\Delta\Gamma_V$ still difficult

- Sizable modifications are predicted
- ϕ, ω stay as quasiparticles in the medium

Introduction

- The study of vector meson properties could be useful to find evidence of a possible partial restoration of chiral symmetry at finite ρ , T
- Particularly suited probes: electromagnetic decays (dileptons)

ρ meson has been extensively studied, dilepton spectrum from HIC's may indicate a lowering of M_ρ or large increase of Γ_ρ

R. Rapp, J. Wambach, Adv. Nucl Phys. 25 (2000) 1

- Narrow vector mesons (ω, ϕ) have received comparatively less attention

Interesting theoretical problems associated!

Introduction

- The ϕ meson is an appropriate probe for ***dynamics of vector mesons in nuclear matter***
  - *Isolated* in the mass spectrum
  - Changes of properties comparatively *larger* than other mesons

Experimental observation in principle easier

- ϕ properties in nuclear medium strongly related to the renormalization of kaon properties
  - *Kaon selfenergy*
    - Variety of models, predict different kaon potentials
    - Good reproduction of data (*K-atoms, HIC*)
  - *Kaon condensation* → astrophysical implications

Experimental information from ϕ decay → *valuable info on kaon selfenergy*

Introduction

Proposed reactions to test ϕ, ω properties in nuclear medium

AA, pA collisions

$\pi^- p \rightarrow \phi n$ in nuclei

$\gamma N \rightarrow \phi N$, ωN in nuclei

Experiments

KEK-PS ☺

Very recent analysis from p-A reaction, presented in Chiral'05 and Quark Matter '05

LEPS ☺

Recent experimental data from nuclear inclusive ϕ photoproduction reaction

CB-TAPS@ELSA ☺

Very recent experimental data from nuclear ω photoproduction reaction

Near future...

HADES, CLAS (preliminary)

ϕ meson: Outline

ϕ meson mass and decay width in the nuclear medium – a selfenergy approach.

Experimental information: study of inclusive nuclear ϕ photoproduction.

D. Cabrera and M.J. Vicente Vacas, Phys. Rev C 67, 045203 (2003)

D. Cabrera, L. Roca, E. Oset, H. Toki and M.J. Vicente Vacas, Nucl. Phys. A 733 (2004) 130

Theoretical approaches to ϕ meson properties

ϕ mass

Effective Lagrangian approach

Weise et al.; Kuwabara and Hatsuda; Song; Bhatttachayya et al.

QCD sum rules

Asakawa and Ko; Kampfer et al.

ϕ decay width

Dropping of meson masses

Bhattacharyya et al.; Ko et al.; Shuryak et al.; Panda et al.

Collisional broadening by ϕ-baryon and ϕ-meson interactions

Smith and Haglin; Alzarez-Ruso and Koch

Modification of ϕ decay channels (ϕ selfenergy approach, kaon selfenergies)

Weise et al.; Ramos et al.

⇒ Sizable renormalization of ϕ width

and small mass shift in nuclear medium

ϕ meson selfenergy in vacuum

- Interested in the *ϕ to $\bar{K}K$ coupling* ⟶ main ϕ decay channel in vacuum, BR 85% (ignore other contributions).

$\phi \bar{K}K$ Lagrangian in a gauge vector representation

J. Schechter et al. 1988

W. Weise et al. 1998

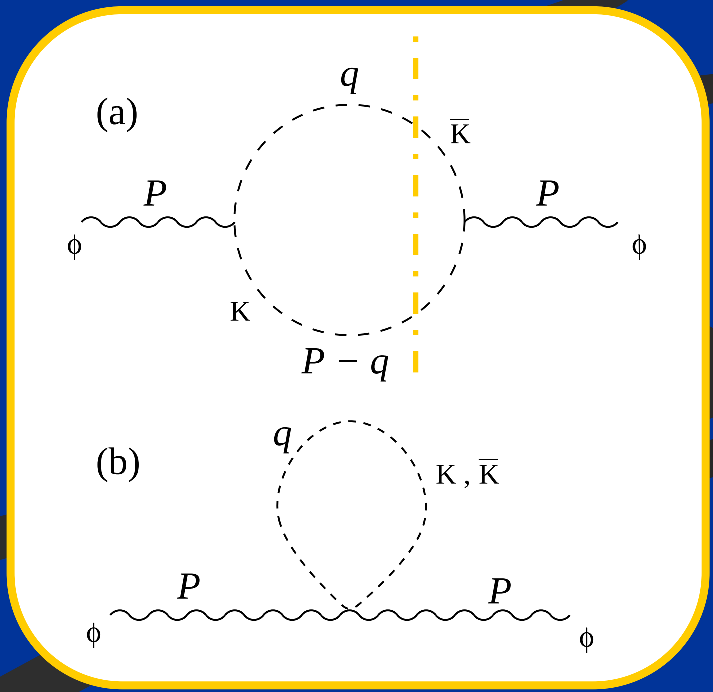
$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi,kaons} = -ig_\phi \phi_\mu (K^-\partial^\mu K^+ - K^+\partial^\mu K^- + \bar{K}^0\partial^\mu K^0 - K^0\partial^\mu \bar{K}^0) + g_\phi^2 \phi_\mu \phi^\mu (K^-K^+ + \bar{K}^0 K^0) ,$$

Gives rise to a ϕ selfenergy built from:

- *$\bar{K}K$ loop diagram*
- *Kaon tadpole diagram*

$$\mathrm{Im}\,\Pi_\phi \to \Gamma_\phi = f(g_\phi)$$

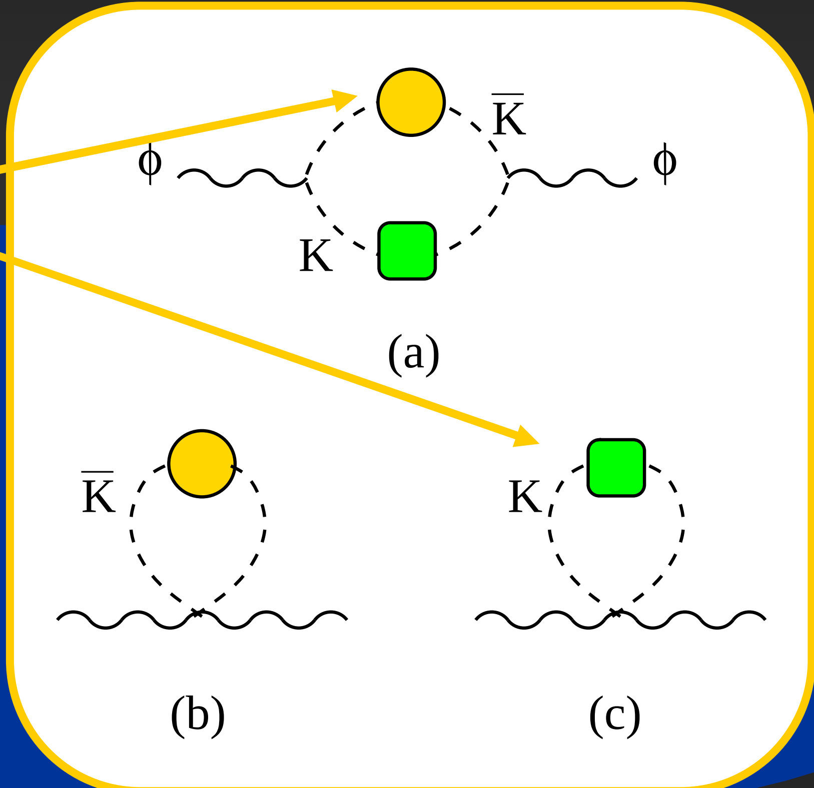
$$\Gamma^{\mathrm{exp}}_{\phi \to K^+K^-} \to g_\phi = 4.57$$



Nuclear medium effects

We modify the kaon propagators with selfenergy accounting for interactions with the nuclear medium

$$\Pi_{\bar{K}(K)}(q^0,\vec{q};\rho)$$



$$\Pi_{\phi}^{ij}(P^0;\rho) = \delta^{ij} i 2 g_\phi^2 \frac{4}{3} \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} \vec{q}^{\,2} D_K(P-q;\rho) D_{\bar{K}}(q;\rho)$$
$$+\delta^{ij} i 2 g_\phi^2 \left\{ \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} D_{\bar{K}}(q;\rho) + \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} D_K(q;\rho) \right\}$$

$$D_{\bar{K}(K)}(q) \Rightarrow D_{\bar{K}(K)}(q^0,\vec{q};\rho)$$

Kaon selfenergy: S-wave

Kaon and anti-kaon interactions with nucleons are rather different
→ we treat them separately

- *KN:* smooth at low energies, since there are not *S*=1 resonances (?)
  We use *t ρ* aproximation

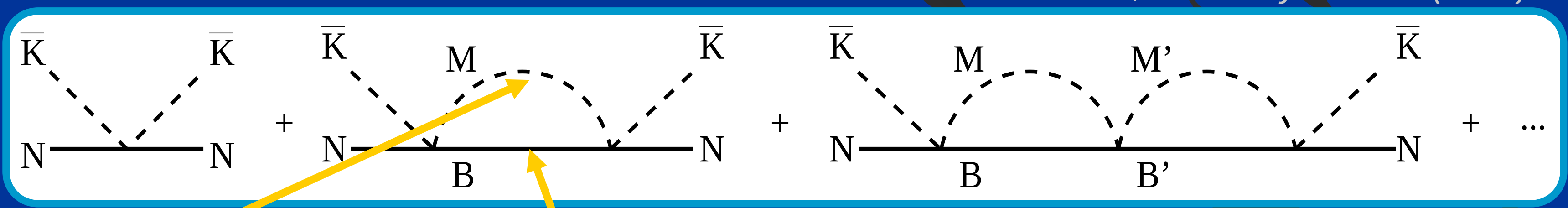
$$\Pi_{K^+} = \frac{1}{2}(t_{K^+p} + t_{K^+n})\rho = 0.13\, m_K^2 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0}$$

N. Kaiser, P.B. Siegel and W. Weise, Nucl. Phys. A 594 (1995) 325

- *$\bar{K}N$:* strongly dominated by the excitation of *sub-threshold* $\Lambda(1405)$.

Chiral unitary model in coupled channels for *S-wave $\bar{K}N$* scattering

E. Oset and A. Ramos, Nucl. Phys. A 635 (1998) 99



π and *K* selfenergies

Pauli blocking

Mean-field potentials

Selfconsistent calculation of the *S*-wave selfenergy

A. Ramos and E. Oset, Nucl.Phys. A 671 (2000) 481

Kaon selfenergy: P-wave

$\Sigma^*=\Sigma^*$ (1385)

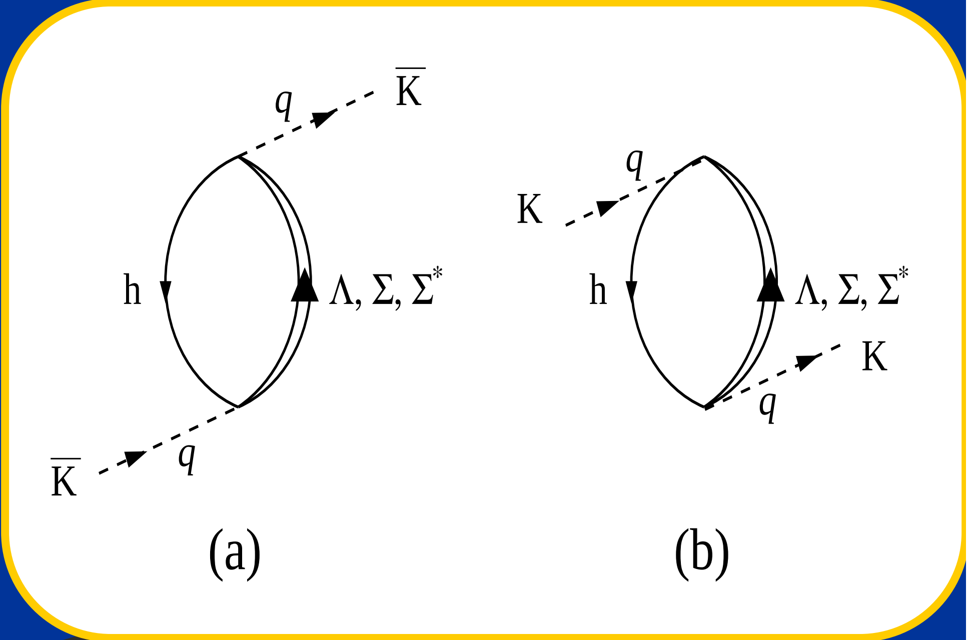
Built from Λh, Σh and $\Sigma^* h$ excitations, found to be an important source of ϕ renormalization in a nuclear medium.

Klingl, Waas and Weise 98; Oset and Ramos 01

KNY interaction from lowest order chiral Lagrangian coupling pseudoscalar meson and $1/2^+$ baryon octets.

$$\Pi^P_{\bar K}(q,\rho)=\frac{1}{2}\tilde{V}^2_{K^- p\Lambda} f^2_\Lambda(q)\,\vec{q}^{\,2}U_\Lambda(q,\rho)+\frac{3}{2}\tilde{V}^2_{K^- p\Sigma^0} f^2_\Sigma(q)\,\vec{q}^{\,2}U_\Sigma(q,\rho)+\frac{1}{2}\tilde{V}^2_{K^- p\Sigma^{*0}} f^2_{\Sigma^*}(q)\,\vec{q}^{\,2}U_{\Sigma^*}(q,\rho)$$

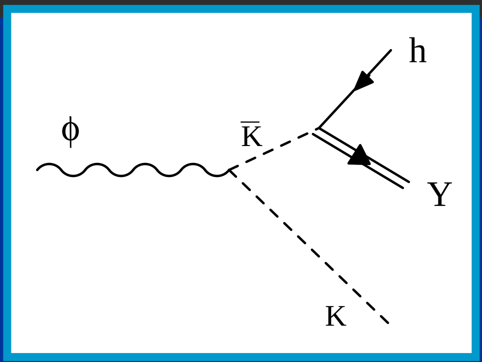
$$\Pi^P_K(q^0,\vec{q};\rho)=\Pi^P_{\bar K}(-q^0,\vec{q};\rho)$$

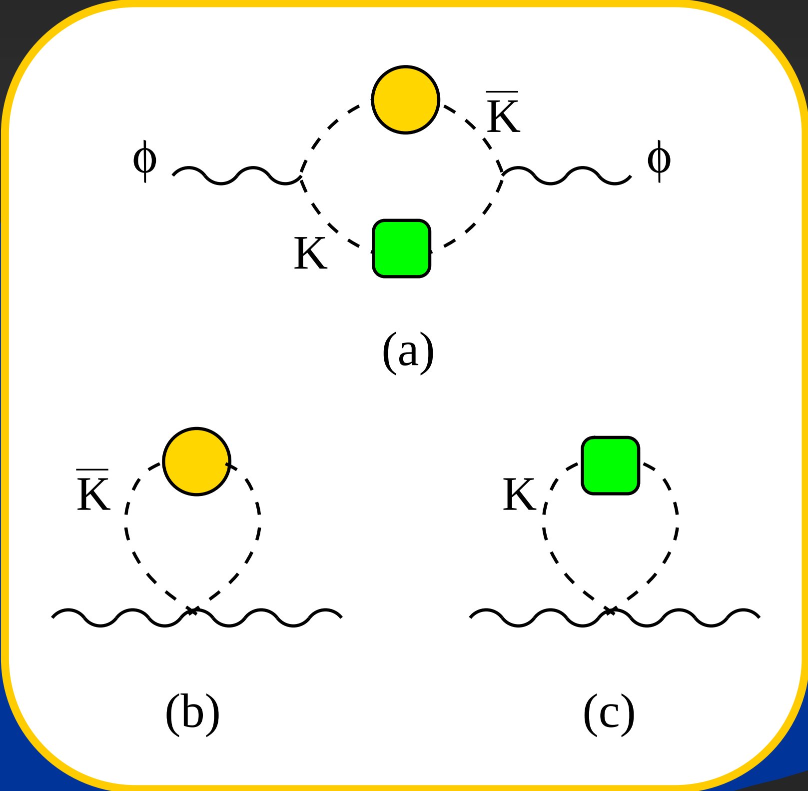


ϕ meson selfenergy in the medium

ϕ decay channels which open in the medium due to Π_K :

- *S*-wave: $\phi \to KM\ Yh \quad (\pi\Sigma, \pi\Lambda)$
- *P*-wave: $\phi \to K\ Yh$





Use of spectral (Lehmann) representation for kaon, anti-akon propagator, guarantees *crossing*

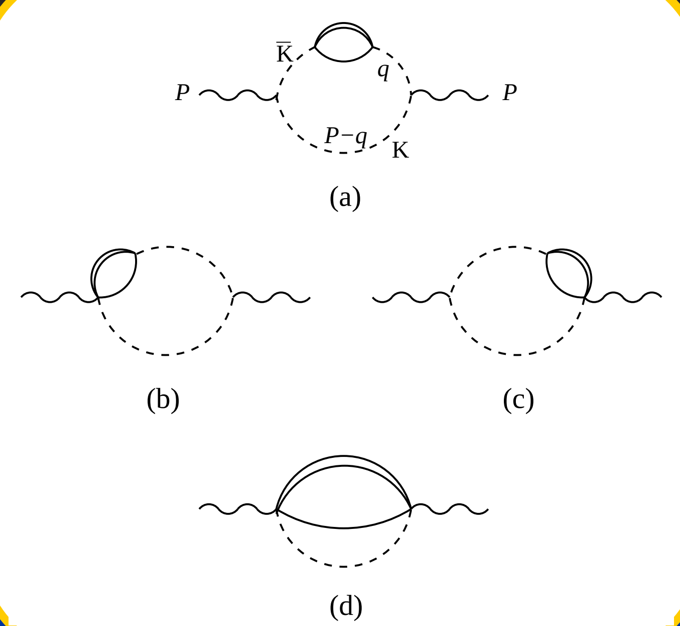
$$D_{\bar{K}(K)}(-q^0,\vec{q};\rho) = D_{K(\bar{K})}(q^0,\vec{q};\rho)$$

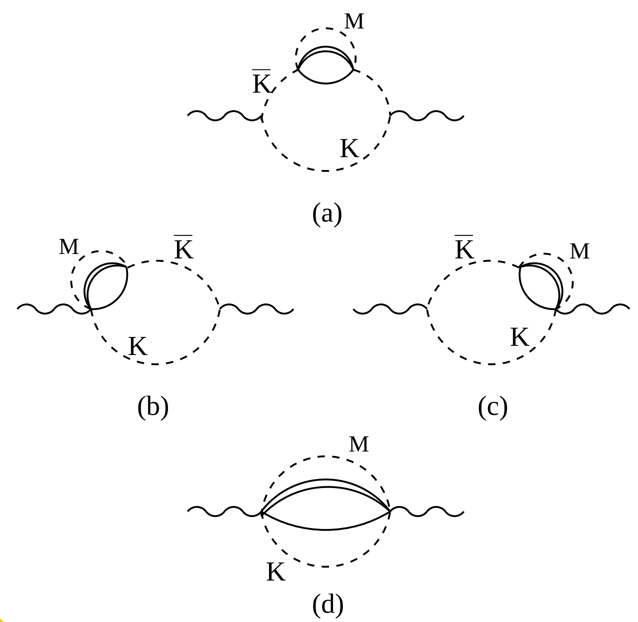
Kaon propagator: $$D_{\bar{K}(K)}(q^0,\vec{q};\rho) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \left\{ \frac{S_{\bar{K}(K)}(\omega,\vec{q};\rho)}{q^0-\omega+i\eta} - \frac{S_{K(\bar{K})}(\omega,\vec{q};\rho)}{q^0+\omega-i\eta} \right\}$$

Vertex corrections and gauge invariance

Herrmann, Friman and Noremberg 93; Chanfray and Schuck 93

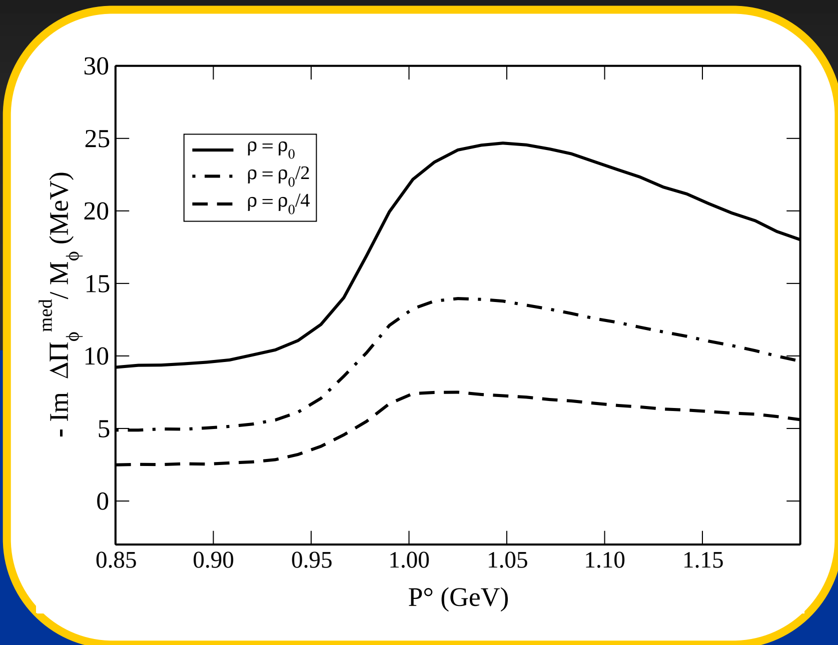
P- and *S*-wave kaon selfenergy insertions and realted vertex corrections:

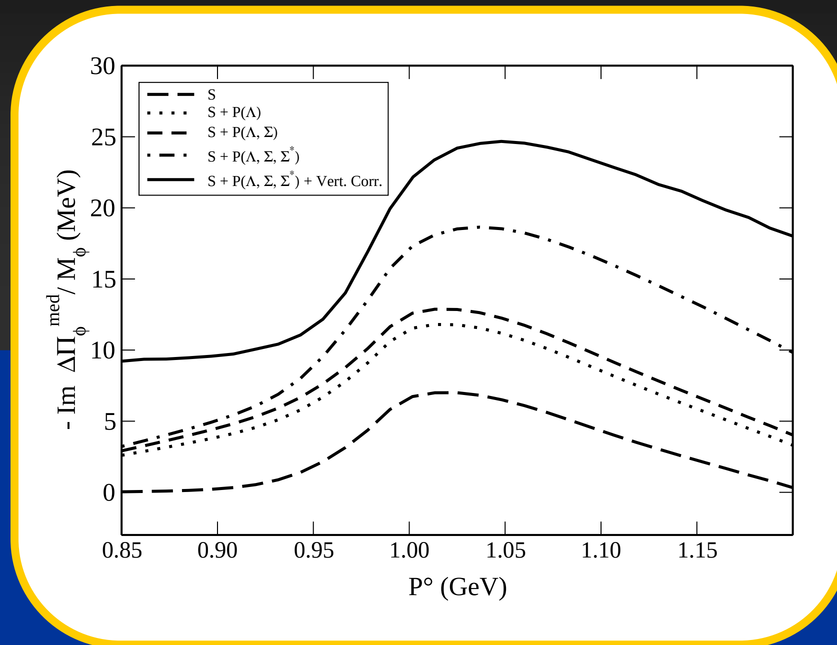




- (a) included by using the renormalized kaon & antikaon propagators
- (b-d) generated by vertex corrections
- Contact vertices: can be obtained by imposing W.I.

Results: ϕ mass and decay width in the nuclear medium





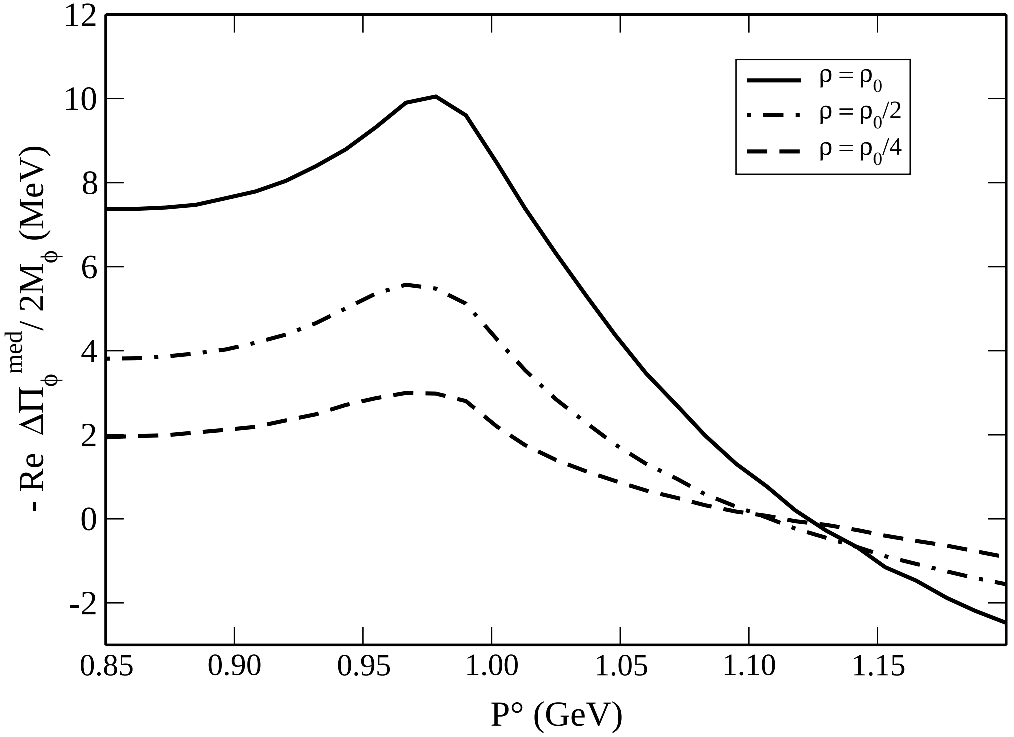
- ϕ width grows considerably with the density: $\Gamma_\phi \approx 30$ MeV, $\rho=\rho_0$

  F. Klingl, T. Waas and W. Weise, Phys. Lett. B 431 (1998) 254;

  E. Oset and A. Ramos, Nucl. Phys. A 679 (2001) 616

- Sizeable energy dependence due to the $\phi \to \bar{K}\, \Sigma^* h$ channel (thres. ~940 MeV)
- $\bar{K}$ *S*-wave: mildly attractive contribution, compensates partly K repulsion
- $\bar{K}$ *P*-wave: small contribution from Σ, sizeable from Λ and Σ^* excitations
- Vertex corrections: further enhancement of the total width

Results: ϕ mass and decay width in the nuclear medium (II)

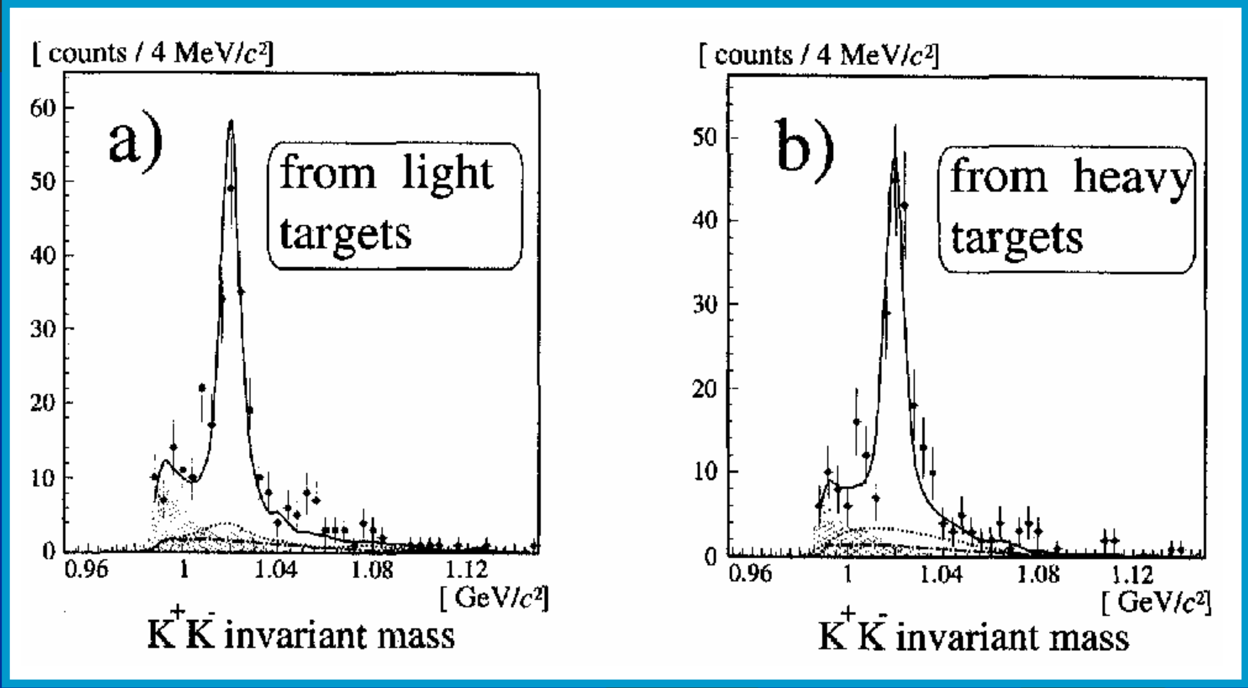


- Real part of ϕ selfenergy: very small, attractive up to 1.1 GeV
- ϕ mass change: ~(-8) MeV at $\rho=\rho_0$

Experimental information on ϕ properties in the nuclear medium

Several experimental proposals to observe changes in the ϕ properties in a nuclear medium:

- HIC's (*p-A, A-A* collisions)
- $\pi^- p \to \phi N$
- $\gamma N \to \phi N$



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  Au + Au: ***PHENIX Col.,*** *Adler et al., nucl-ex/0410012*
- $\gamma A \rightarrow K^+K^-X$: ***LEPS,*** *T. Ishikawa et al., Phys. Lett. B608 (2005) 215*

Medium effects on the mass or decay width of the ϕ meson are difficult to observe

Problems:

- Long ϕ lifetime: ϕ decays outside the nuclear medium
- ϕ is produced with high P_ϕ
- Kinematical cuts to isolate small-P_ϕ events
  → poor statistics
- Distortion in K^+K^- distribution (Coulomb interaction may bind K^- in nucleus)

P. Muhlich, T. Falter, C. Greiner, J. Lehr, M. Post and U. Mosel, Phys. Rev. C 67 (2003) 024605

Dilepton spectrum from *p-A* reaction: *KEK-PS E325,*

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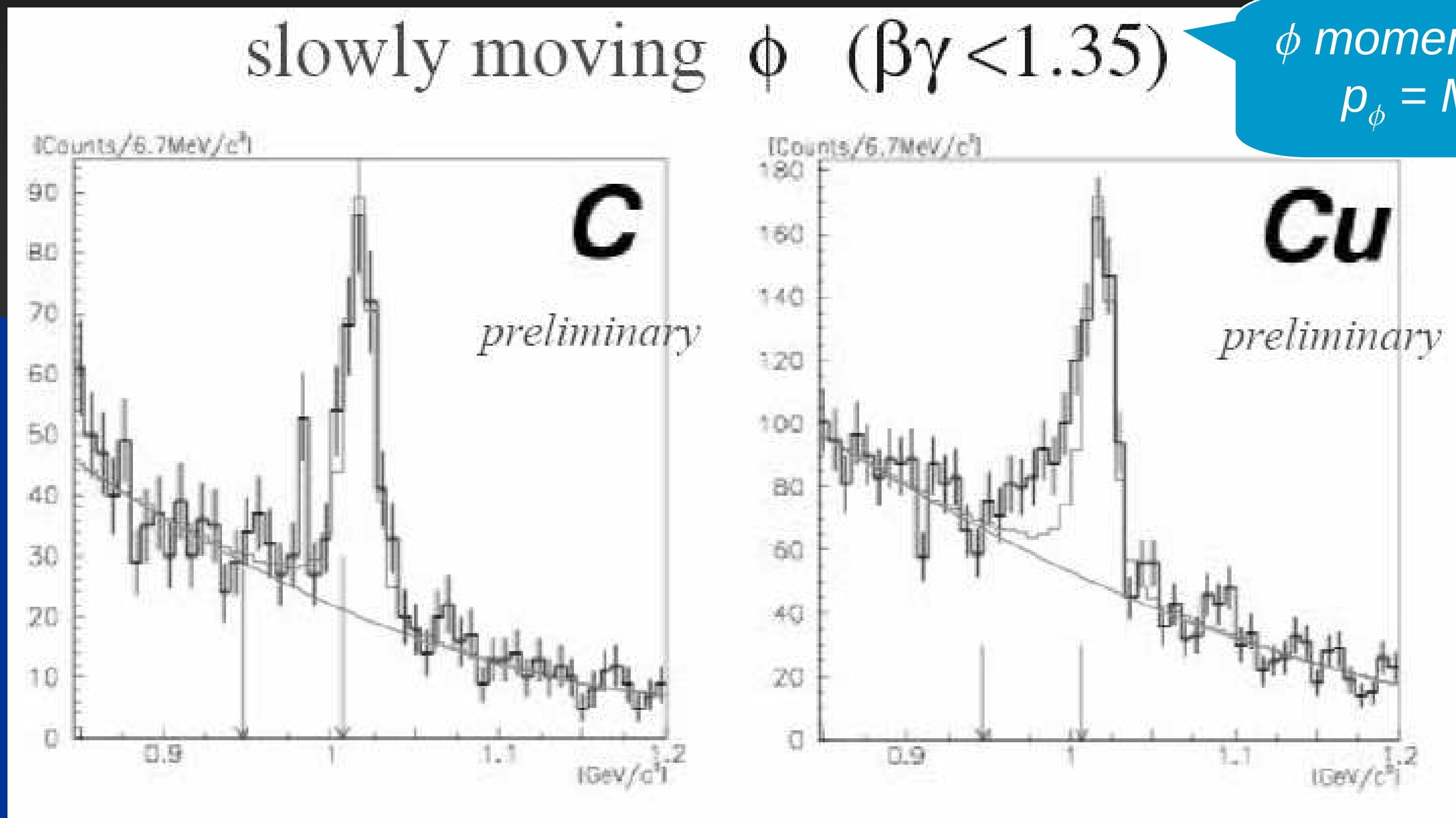

ϕ momentum cut
$p_\phi = M_\phi \beta \gamma$

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- Toy model with -16% mass shift at ρ_0 . Also $\Gamma_\phi(\rho) = (1+ 6\ \rho/\rho_0)\ \Gamma_\phi^{vac}$ is used in analysis to understand *dilepton yield excess*
- If only $\Delta\Gamma_\phi$, *symmetric effect* expected

K^+K^- analysis on going…

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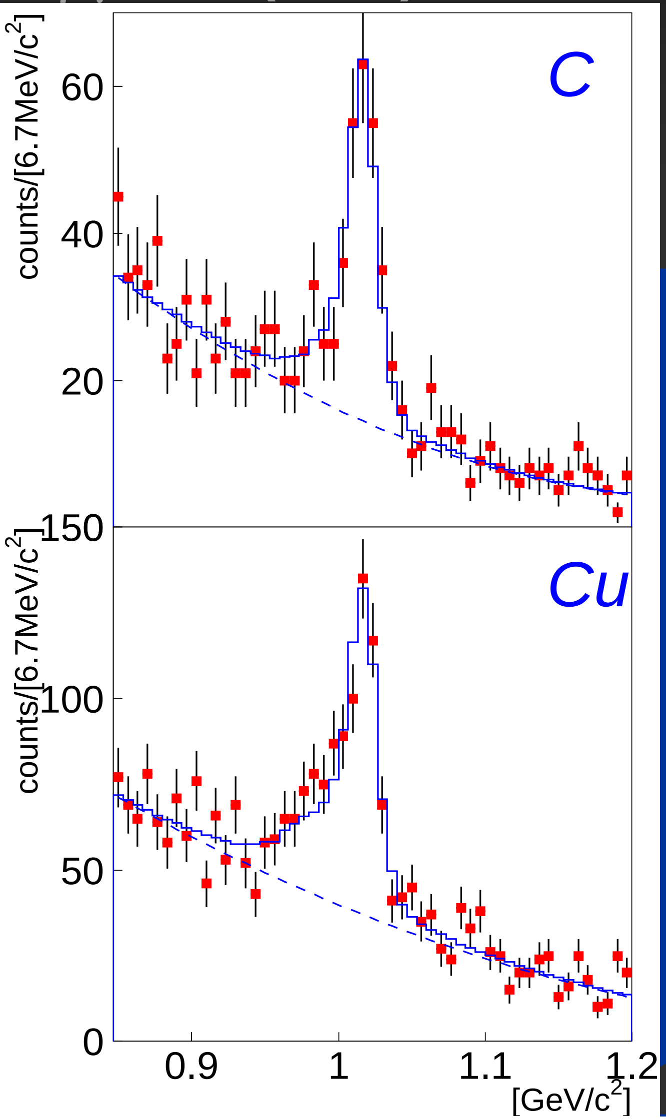
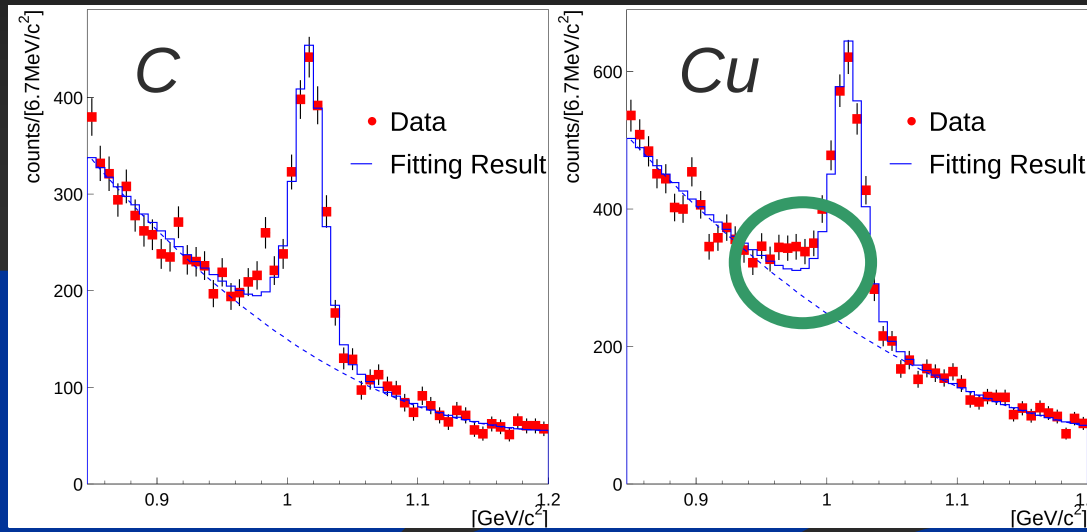
βγ<1.25 (Slow)





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- Low energy tail cannot be fit (bkgnd + BW)
- $M_\phi(\rho) = (1- 0.04\ \rho/\rho_0)\ M_\phi^{vac} \longrightarrow \Delta M_\phi(\rho_0) \approx -40$ MeV
- $\Gamma_\phi(\rho) = (1+ 10\ \rho/\rho_0)\ \Gamma_\phi^{vac} \longrightarrow \Gamma_\phi(\rho) \approx 44$ MeV
- No momentum dependence ($p_\phi \sim 2$ GeV)

$M_\phi(\rho)$ *Hatsuda et al.;* $\Gamma_\phi(\rho)$ *Weise et al.*

Study of inclusive nuclear ϕ photoproduction

Proposal: observation of loss of ϕ flux due to nuclear effects and its A dependence

- No need to cut ϕ phase space ⟶ better statistics
- A dependence of ϕ flux can be related to the ϕ decay width in the nuclear medium

But: Most of the produced ϕ's carry a high momentum

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Extension of our model for finite P_ϕ

Experiment:

Spring8/Osaka **LEPS**

(γ, ϕ) with $E_\gamma \in [1.5\text{-}2.4]$ GeV

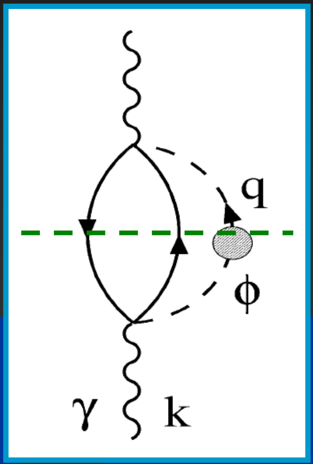
$P_\phi \sim 1.8$ GeV

Study of inclusive nuclear ϕ photoproduction

ϕ flux and ϕ decay width:

$$\frac{\Gamma_\phi}{2} = -\mathrm{Im}\,V_{opt} = -\mathrm{Im}\frac{\Pi_\phi}{2\omega} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Gamma_\phi = -\frac{\mathrm{Im}\,\Pi_\phi}{\omega} \equiv \frac{dP}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dP}{dl} = \frac{dP}{v\,dt} = \frac{dP}{\frac{P_\phi}{\omega}\,dt} = -\frac{\mathrm{Im}\,\Pi_\phi}{P_\phi}$$



Nuclear cross section for inclusive nuclear ϕ photoproduction:

$$\frac{d\sigma_A}{d\Omega} = \int d^3\vec{r}\rho(r)\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} e^{-\int_0^\infty dl \frac{-1}{P}\mathrm{Im}\Pi_\phi(P^0,P;\rho(r'))}$$

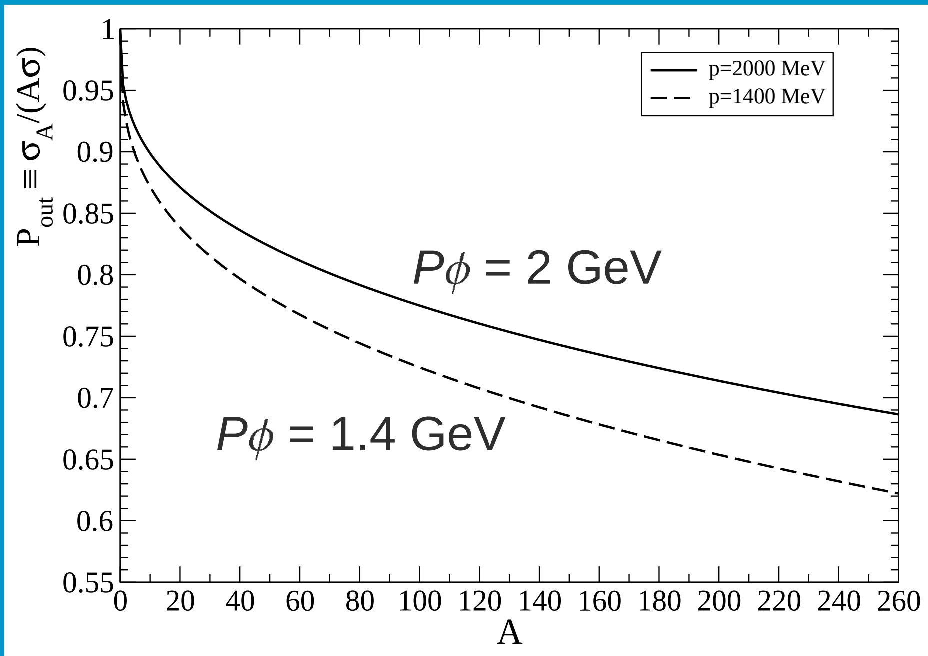
Absorption factor

ϕ survival probability:

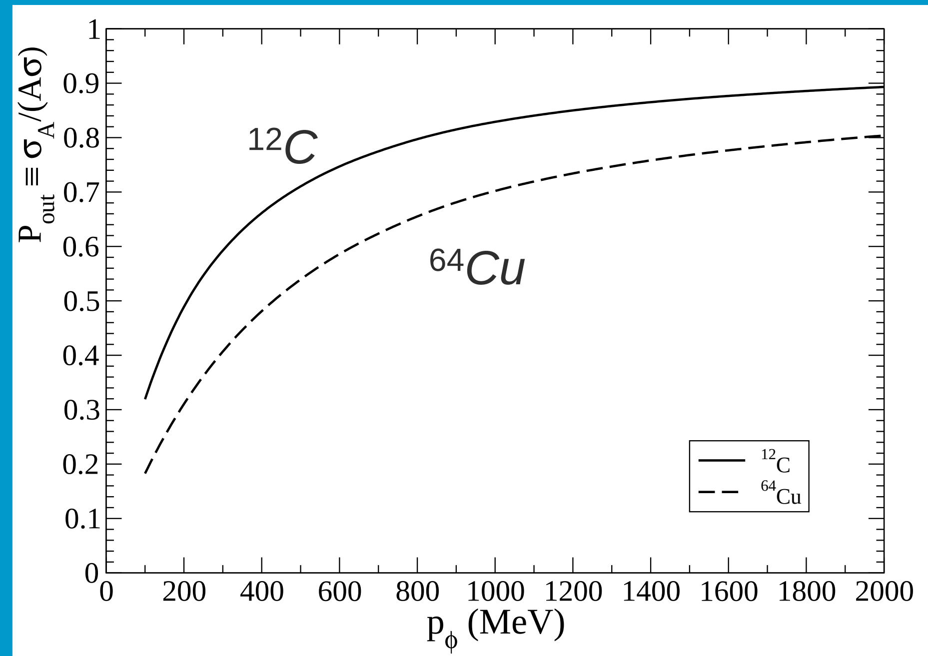
$$\mathcal{P}_{out} \equiv \frac{\sigma_A}{A\sigma} = \frac{1}{A}\int d^3\vec{r}\rho(r)\; e^{\int_0^\infty dl \frac{1}{P}\mathrm{Im}\Pi_\phi(P^0,P;\rho(r'))}$$

Inclusive nuclear ϕ photoproduction: results

A dependence



$P\phi$ dependence



- Clear loss of ϕ flux: enhanced effect for small P_ϕ and heavy nuclei
- E_γ = 1.6 GeV $\rightarrow$ P_ϕ $\approx$ 1000 MeV in fwd direction $\longrightarrow$ $P_{out} \sim 0.65$ for ^{64}Cu, and smaller for heavier nuclei

Inclusive nuclear ϕ photoproduction: experimental results

LEPS Collaboration,

T. Ishikawa et al.,

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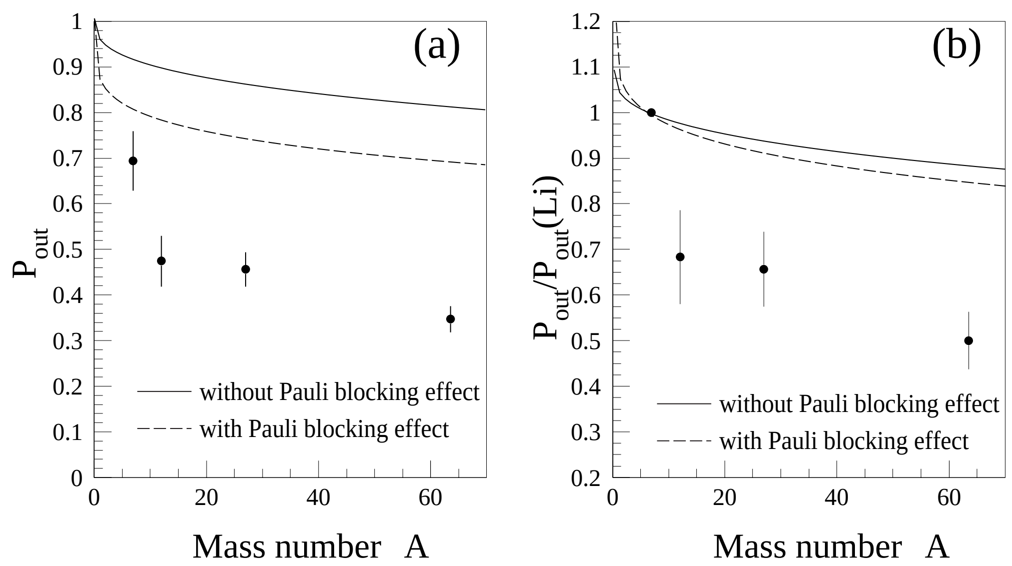

- Separation of the coherent ϕ photoproduction is important, particularly for light nuclei
- Stronger effect than theoretically predicted
- Calculation agrees with *A*-dependence (normalize to *C*)
- Other possible sources of ϕN interactions (further flux reduction)

Ex: $\phi \to 3\pi$ (pion selfenergy!), quasi-elastic collisions