

# The fragmentation process at HERMES

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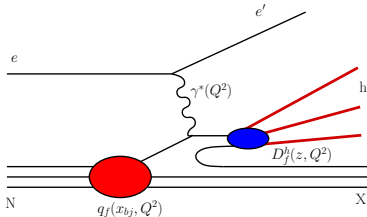
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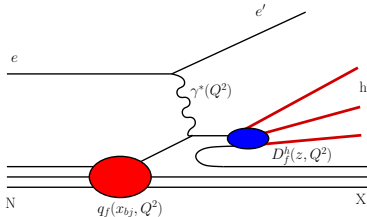
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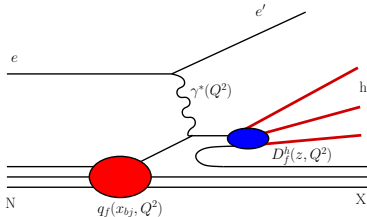
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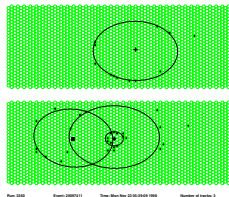
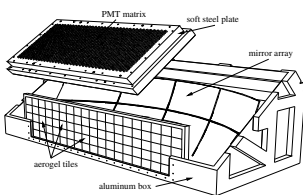
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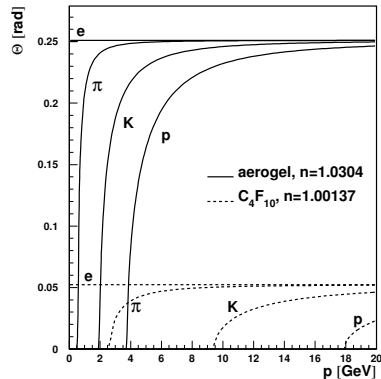
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# RICH particle identification



- $\cos \theta_c = \frac{c}{nv} = \frac{1}{\beta n}$
- two radiators: aerogel and  $C_4F_{10}$
- cone projections and reconstruct Čerenkov angles (Ray Tracing)
- first dual radiator RICH

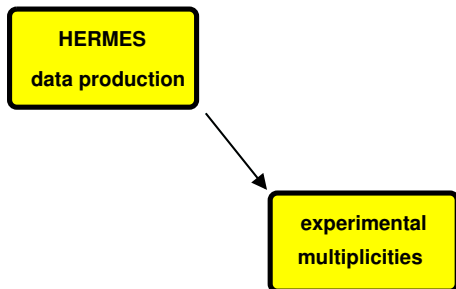


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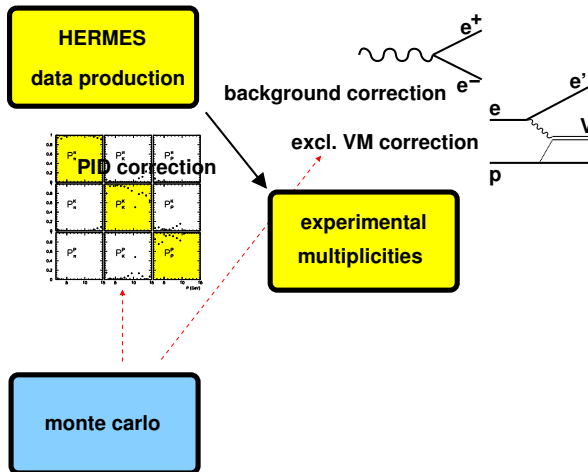
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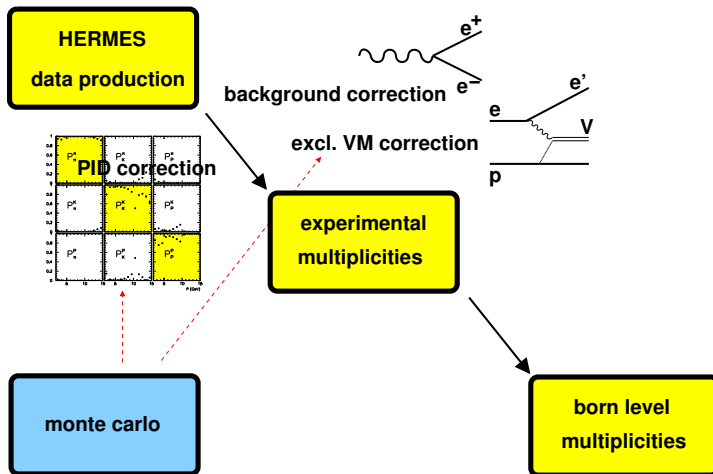
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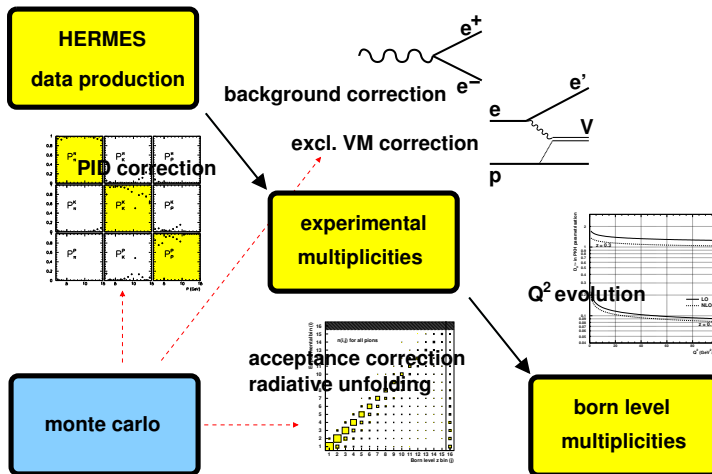
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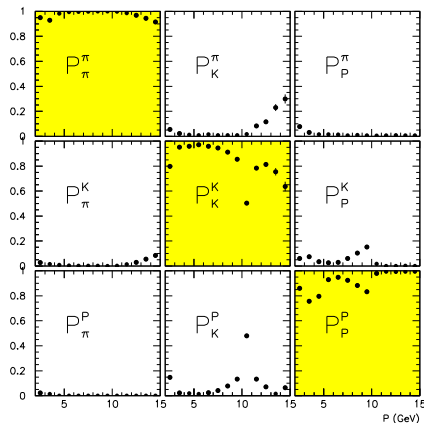


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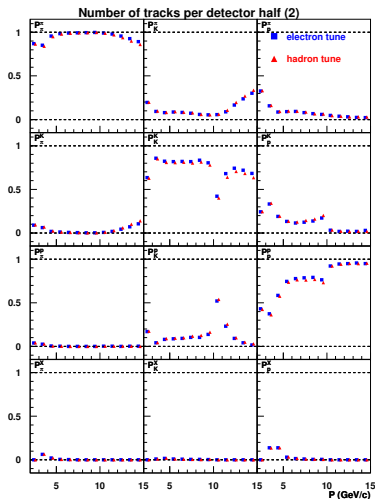
- **important** : extracting absolute numbers
- correct for misidentification
- $\mathcal{P}_t^i$  : *probability that a particle of type  $t$  was identified as type  $i$ .*

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_\pi \\ I_K \\ I_P \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{P}_\pi^\pi & \mathcal{P}_K^\pi & \mathcal{P}_P^\pi \\ \mathcal{P}_\pi^K & \mathcal{P}_K^K & \mathcal{P}_P^K \\ \mathcal{P}_\pi^P & \mathcal{P}_K^P & \mathcal{P}_P^P \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} N_\pi \\ N_K \\ N_P \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\mathcal{P}$  obtained from GEANT3 description of RICH
- $\vec{N} = \mathcal{P}_{trunc}^{-1} \cdot \vec{I}$
- $\rightsquigarrow$  weight for hadron tracks



# Performance modeling of the RICH



non-perfect knowledge of the response of the RICH  $\leadsto$  **systematic uncertainty**

only one RICH :- )  $\leadsto$  **no independent check** for hadron efficiency over full momentum range and for different event topologies

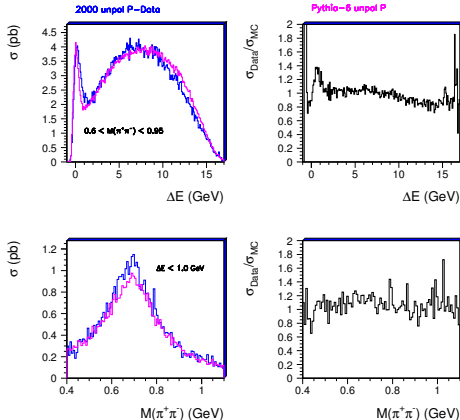
2 tunes in RICH MC description :

- $\beta = 1$  particles : tune Čerenkov angle and photon yield distributions with **electrons**
- **hadrons** : tune using **decaying particles** ( $\phi$ ,  $K_S$ ,  $\Lambda$ ) from PYTHIA and data

$\Rightarrow$  systematic uncertainty on the  $\mathcal{P}$  matrix



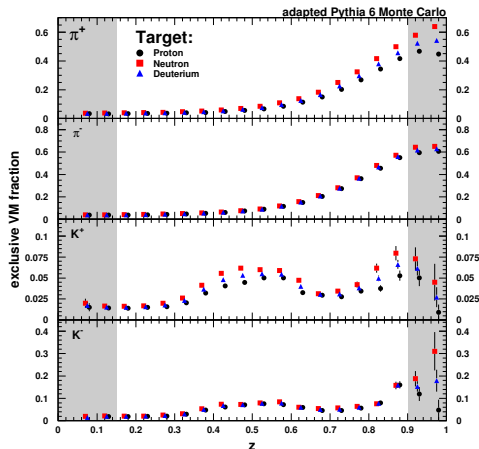
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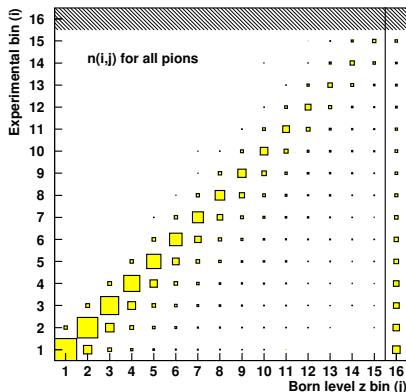


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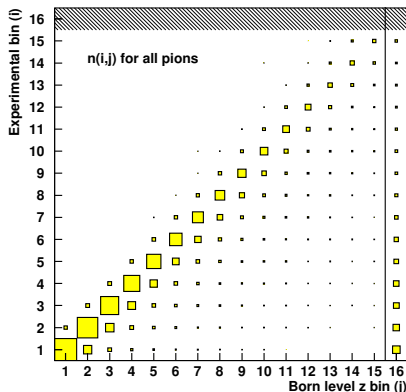


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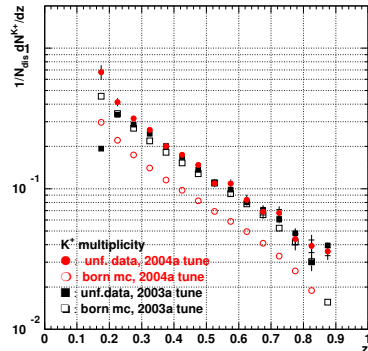
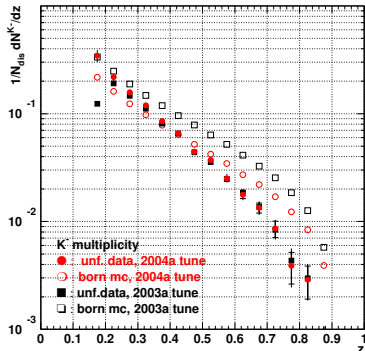
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# The HERMES acceptance

Acceptance very small at small  $z$ , up to about 35 % at high  $z$

However the acceptance samples the phase space enough to fix the dynamics



figures from systematic study, not to be seen as HERMES result

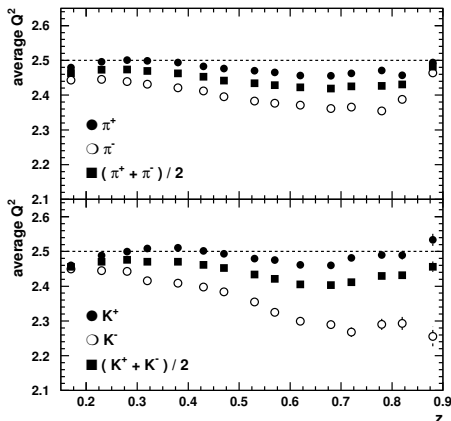


## Another small word about the MC sample

- Use **LEPTO** generator together with the **JETSET** model
- **JETSET** tune :
- parton distribution parametrization in MC : **CTEQ6**
- QED radiative corrections : **RADGEN**
- Detector was described by either
  - Full **GEANT3** description + tracking code
  - Smearing generator ( track lookup + kinematical smearing  $p$ ,  $\theta_x$ ,  $\theta_y$ , ... )



# $Q^2$ evolution

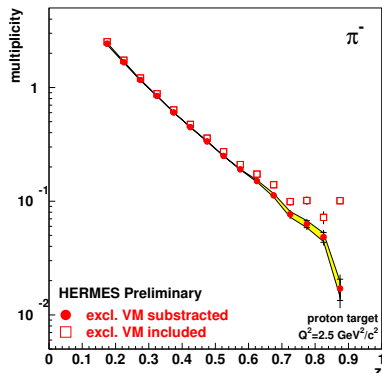
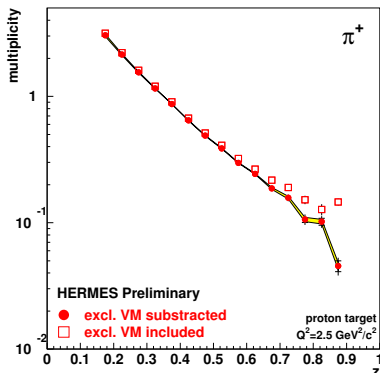


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- $Q^2$  variation small in z, but... e.g. vs.  $x_{bj}$
- want to compare to **EMC** ( $Q^2 \approx 25$ )
- use **PKH** (Kretzer) parametrization + **CTEQ6 MS**
- **systematic error** on the correction factor (ALLM, integration, PDF set, NLO FF)
- vs z :  $\sim 1 - 2\%$  ( $Q_0^2 \sim 2.5$ ), up to 50 % ( $Q_0^2 \sim 25$ )
- vs  $x_{bj}$  : up to 50 %



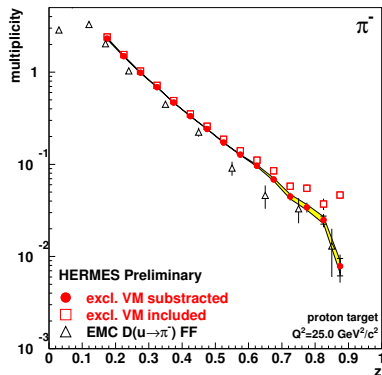
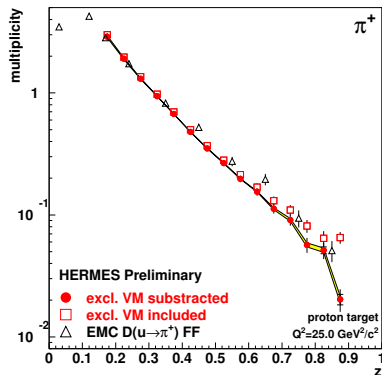
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- Systematic uncertainty mainly from hadron PID correction
- $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ ,  $W^2 > 10 \text{ GeV}^2$



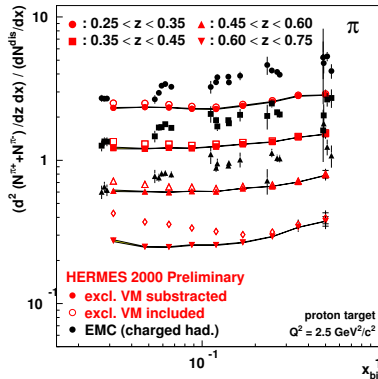
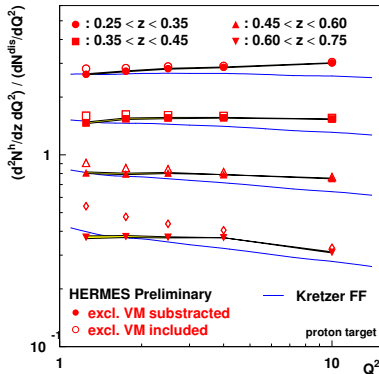
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- Comparison with EMC, Nucl. Phys. B321 (1989) 541-560
- EMC:  $D_u^{\pi^\pm}$



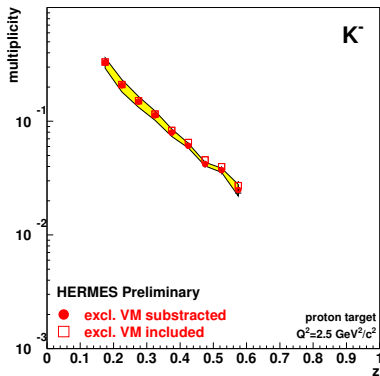
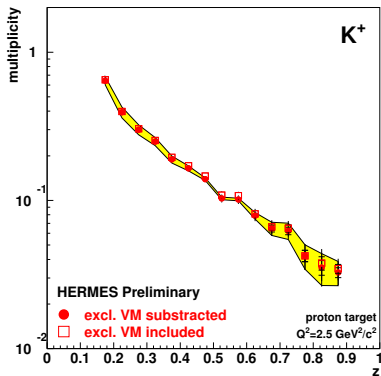
# Results for pions :: multiplicity versus $Q^2$ and $x_{bj}$



- Comparison with a curve from S. Kretzer
- improved analysis compared to old HERMES data
- weak  $x_{bj}$  dependence



# Results for kaons :: multiplicity versus $z$



- charge separated kaon multiplicities
- systematic uncertainty (RICH)
- low  $K^-$  statistics, and note different scale !



# Summary

- extraction of **charge** and **flavor separated** hadron multiplicity distributions
- much attention went to obtain model independent results and clear treatment of uncertainties
- compared  $Q^2$  dependence with  $e^+e^-$  FF developed at much higher  $Q^2$
- first extraction of kaon multiplicities
- no signs for strong factorization breaking

