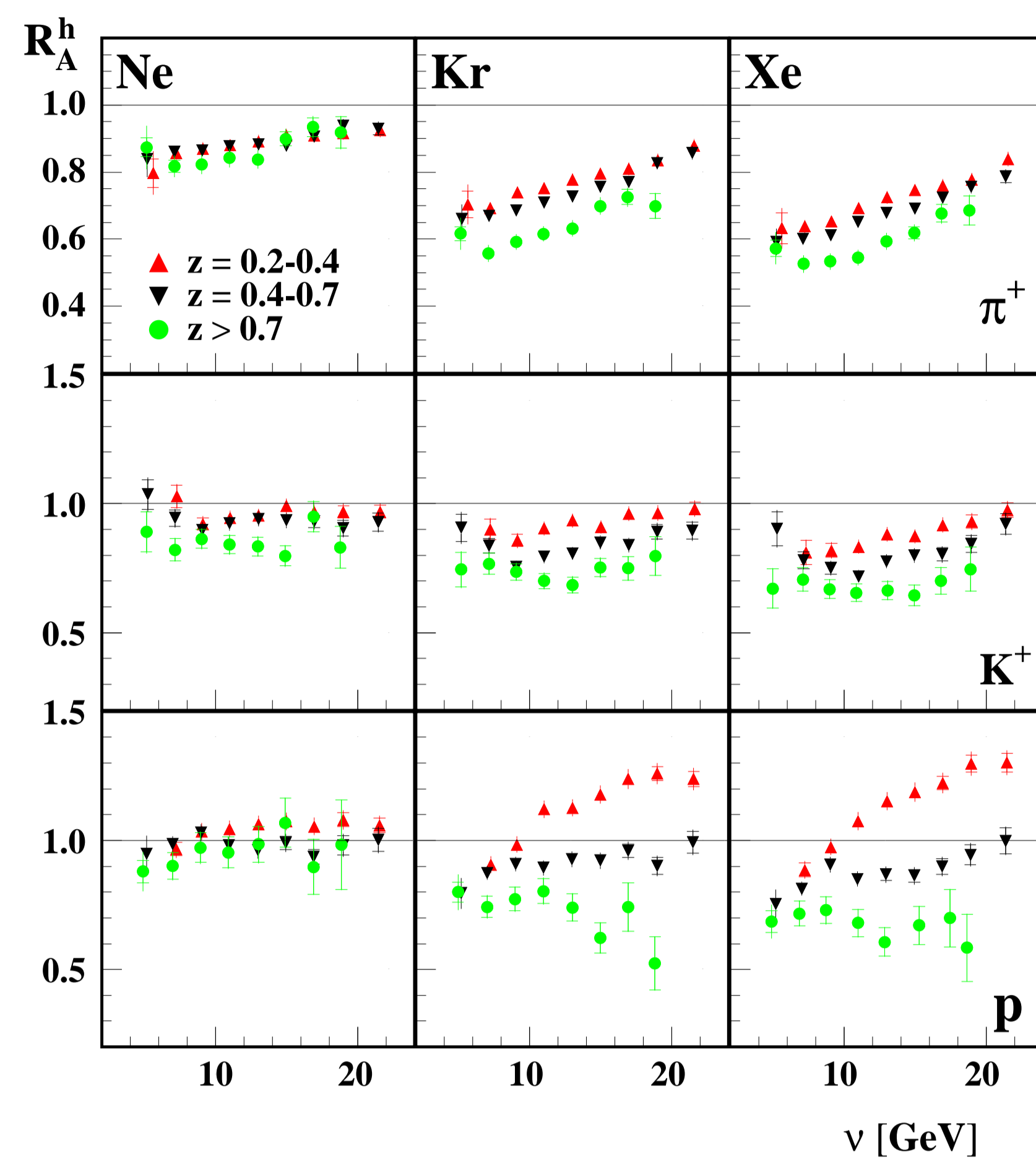


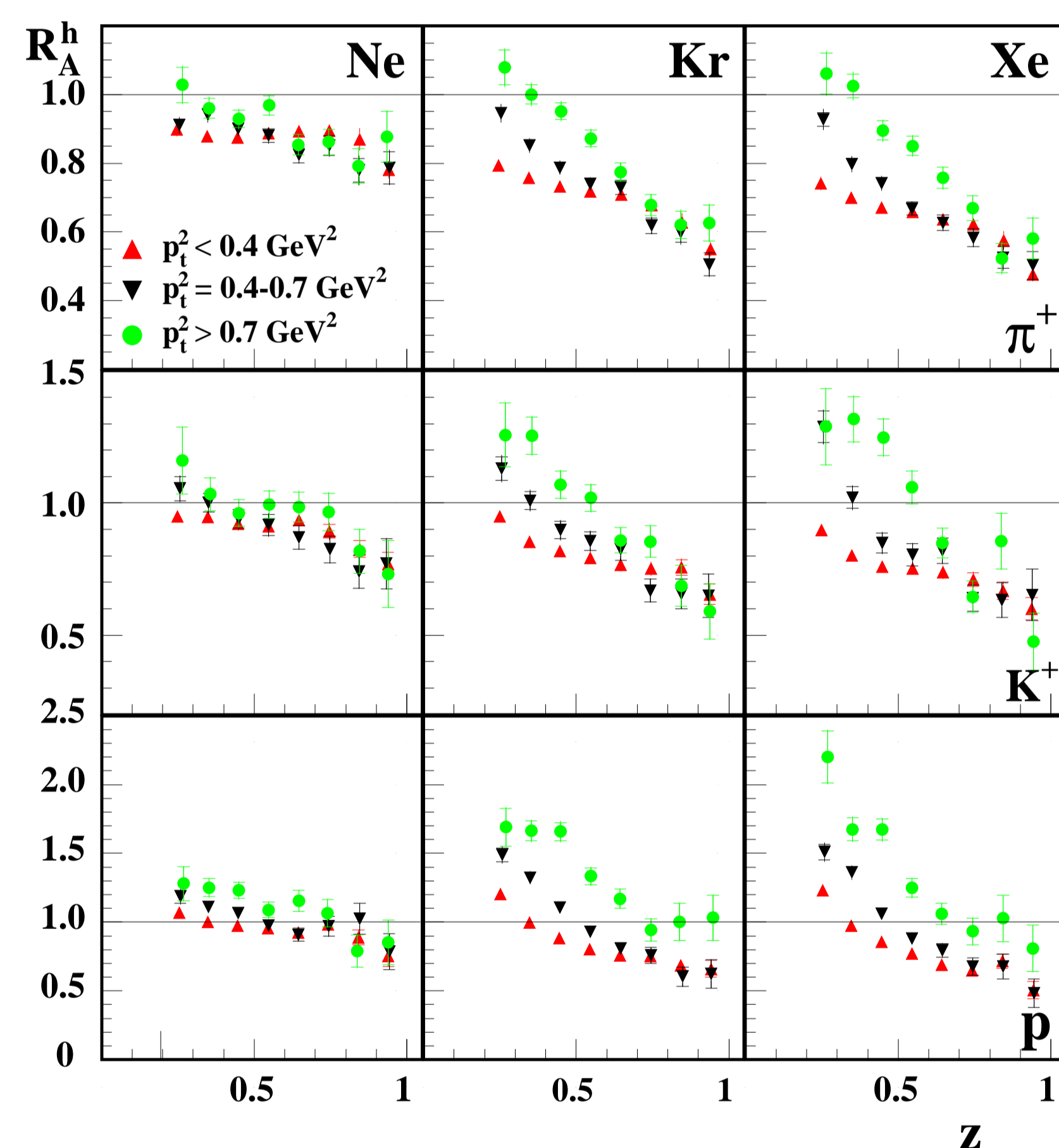
# MULTIDIMENSIONAL HADRON ATTENUATION

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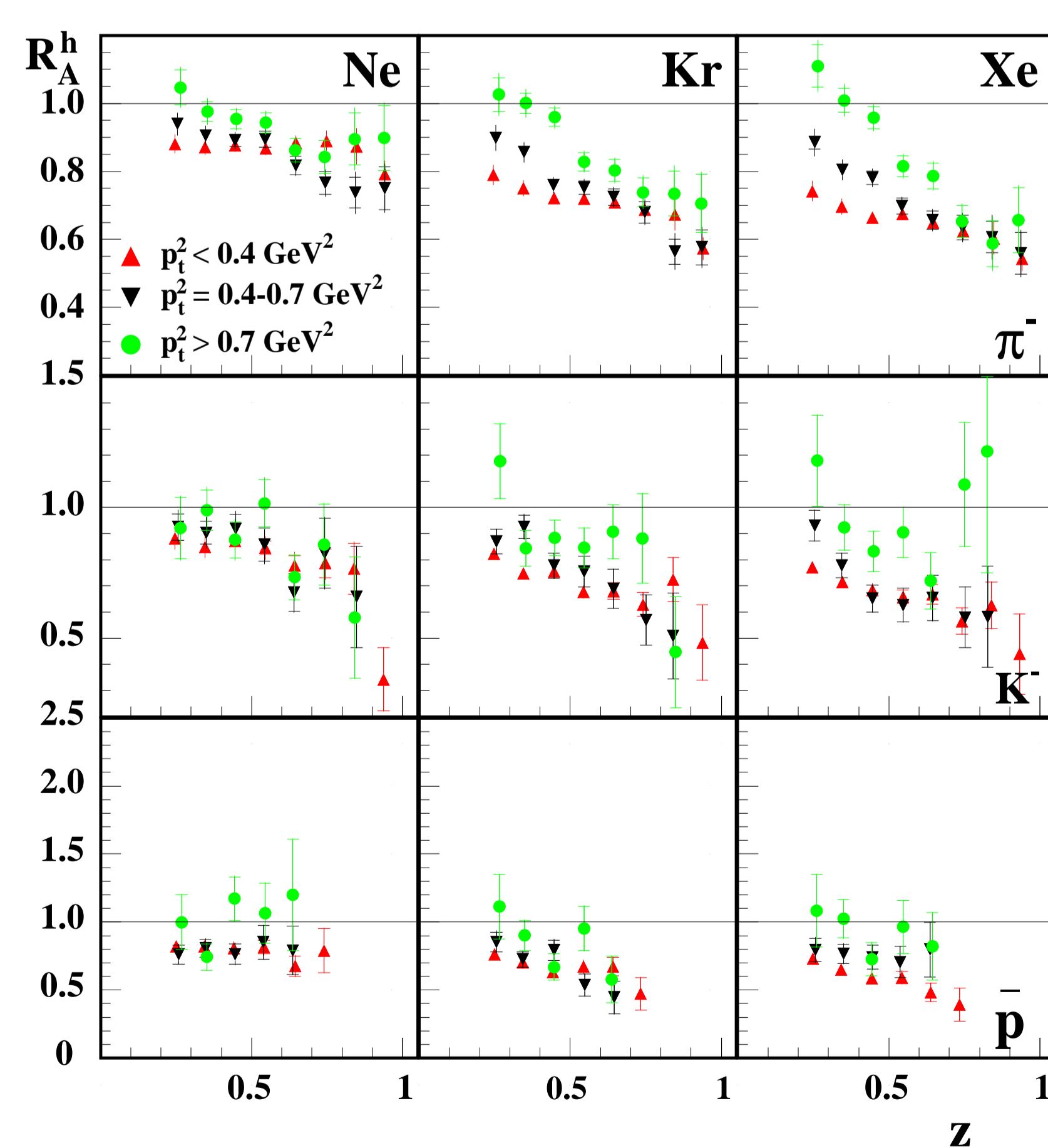
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Dependence of  $R_A^h$  on  $\nu$  for positively charged hadrons for three slices in  $z$  (scale uncertainties are 3%, 5%, 4% and 10% for  $\pi$ ,  $K$  and protons respectively).



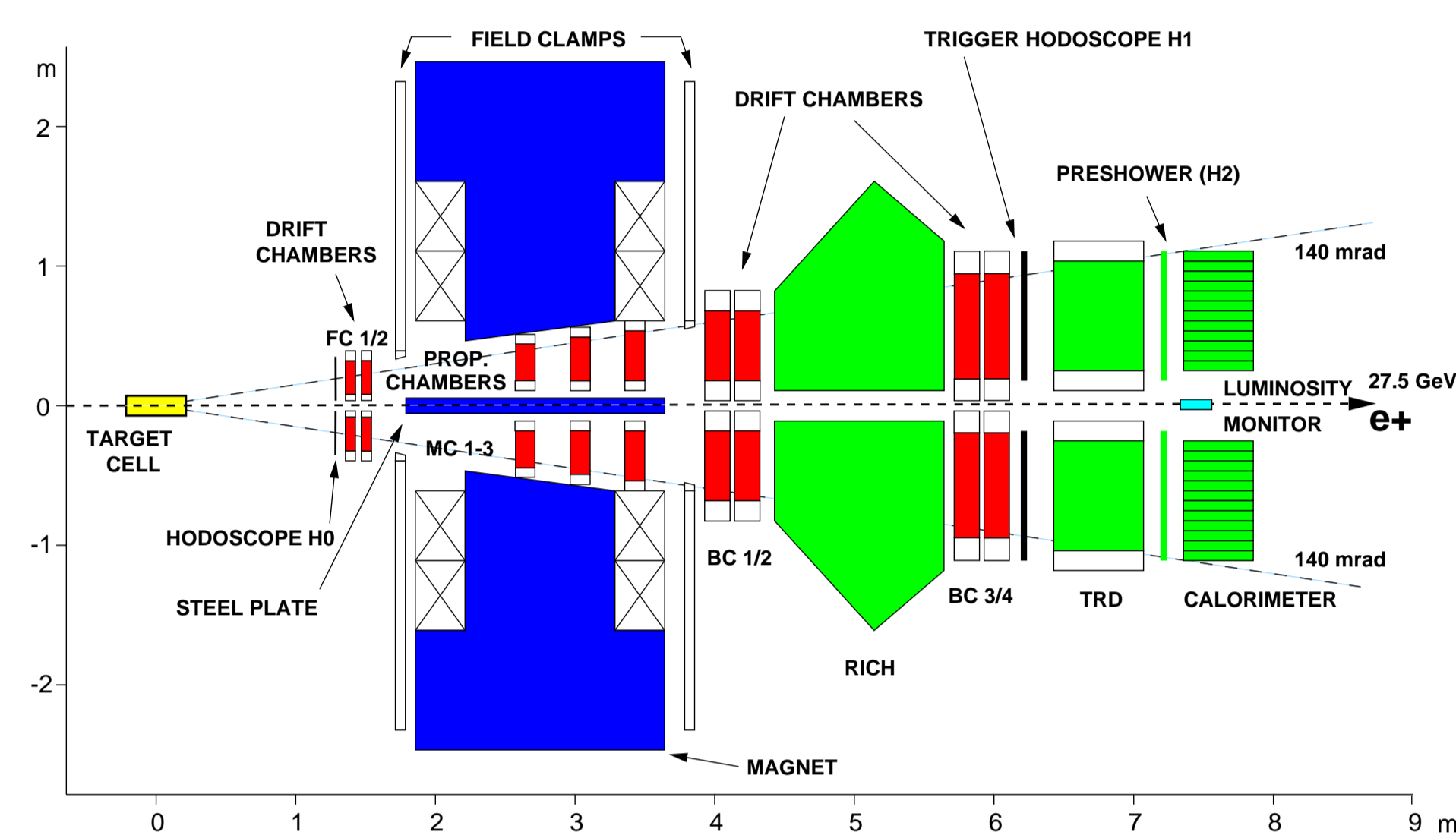
Dependence of  $R_A^h$  on  $z$  for positively charged hadrons for three slices in  $p_t^2$ .



Dependence of  $R_A^h$  on  $z$  for negatively charged hadrons for three slices in  $p_t^2$ .

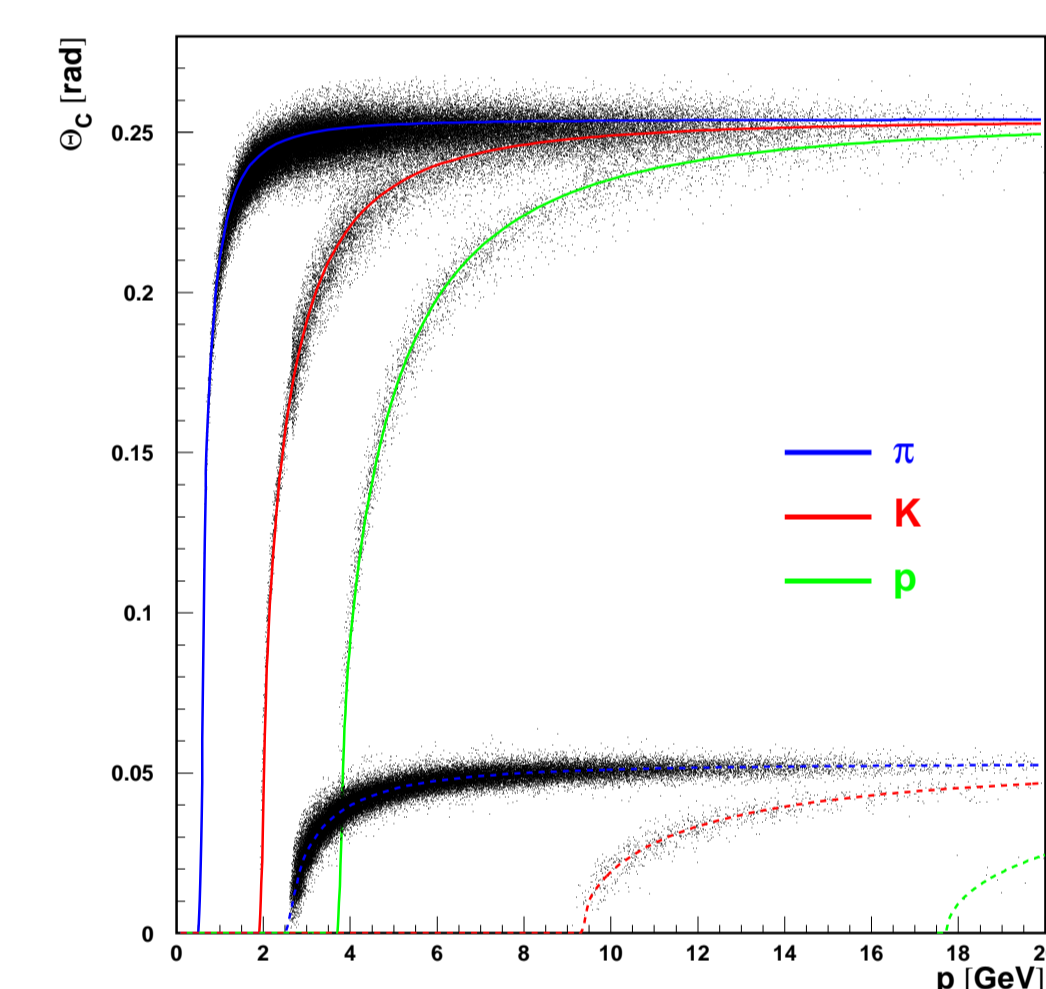
- ▲ Attenuation is larger for heavy nuclei
- ▲ Protons behave very differently from the other hadrons

- ▲ Semi-inclusive hadron electroproduction process  $e + N \rightarrow e' + h + X$
- ▲  $e^-/e^+$  beam of 27.6 GeV energy
- ▲ Nuclear targets  $^2D, ^{20}Ne, ^{84}Kr, ^{131}Xe$
- ▲ Good momentum resolution ( $\Delta p/p < 2\%$ )
- ▲ Excellent particle identification capabilities



The HERMES spectrometer.

- ▲ Particle Tracking System
- ▲ Particle Identification System



Momentum dependence of the Cherenkov angle for different hadron types and radiators. The upper band corresponds to the aerogel and the lower band to the  $C_4F_{10}$  gas respectively.

- ▲ Charge separated  $\pi, K, p$
- ▲ Separation of  $\pi, K$  and  $p$  in momentum range of 2 – 15 GeV

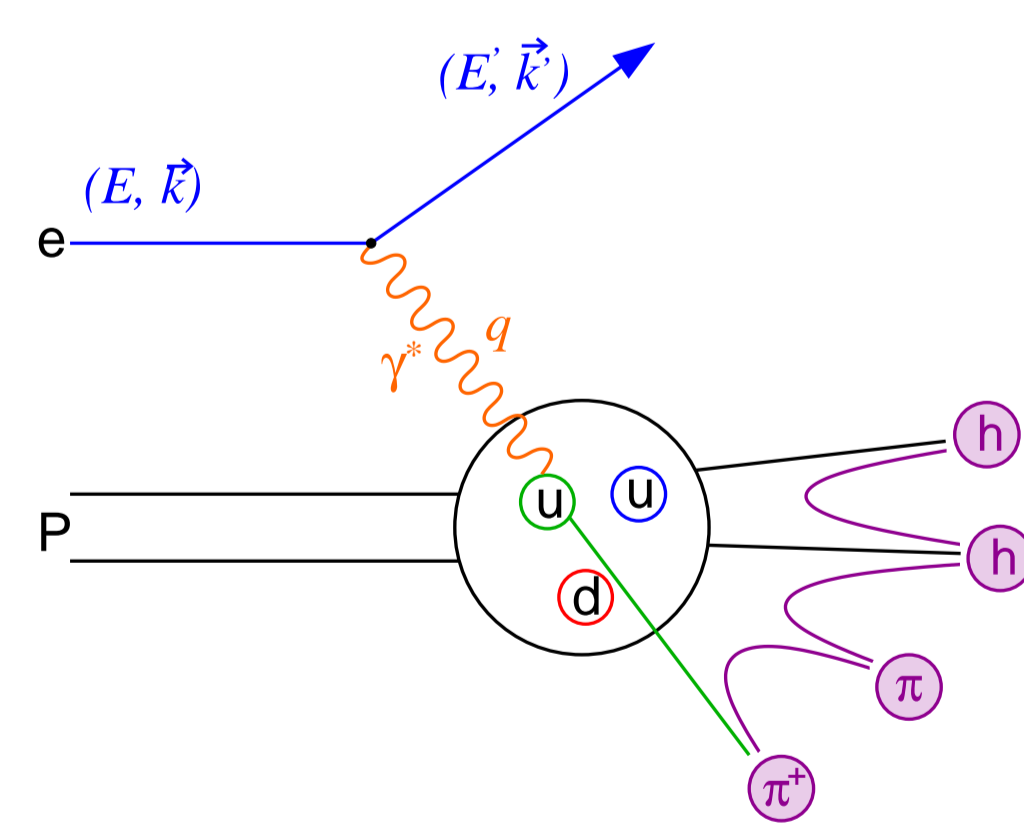
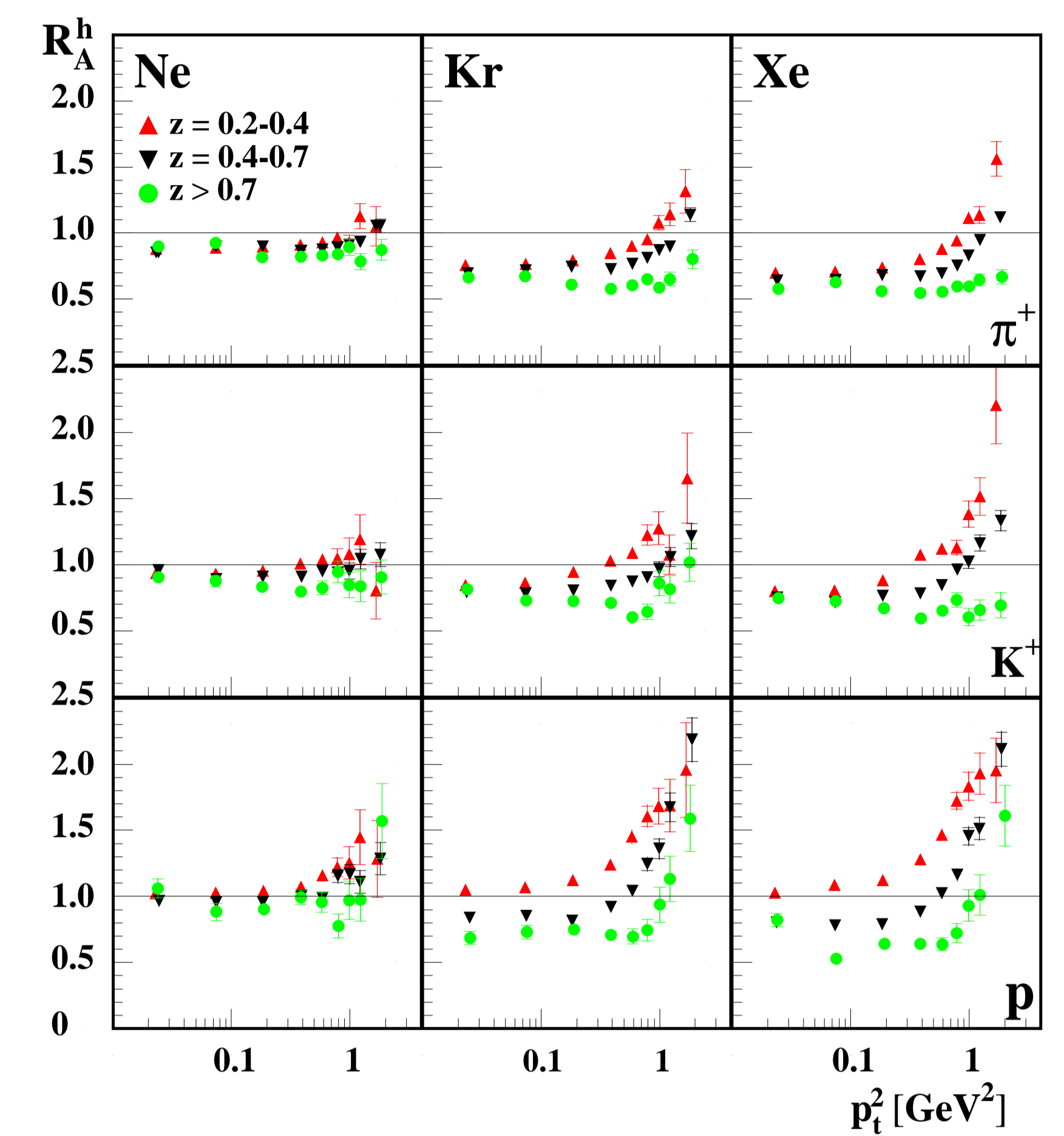


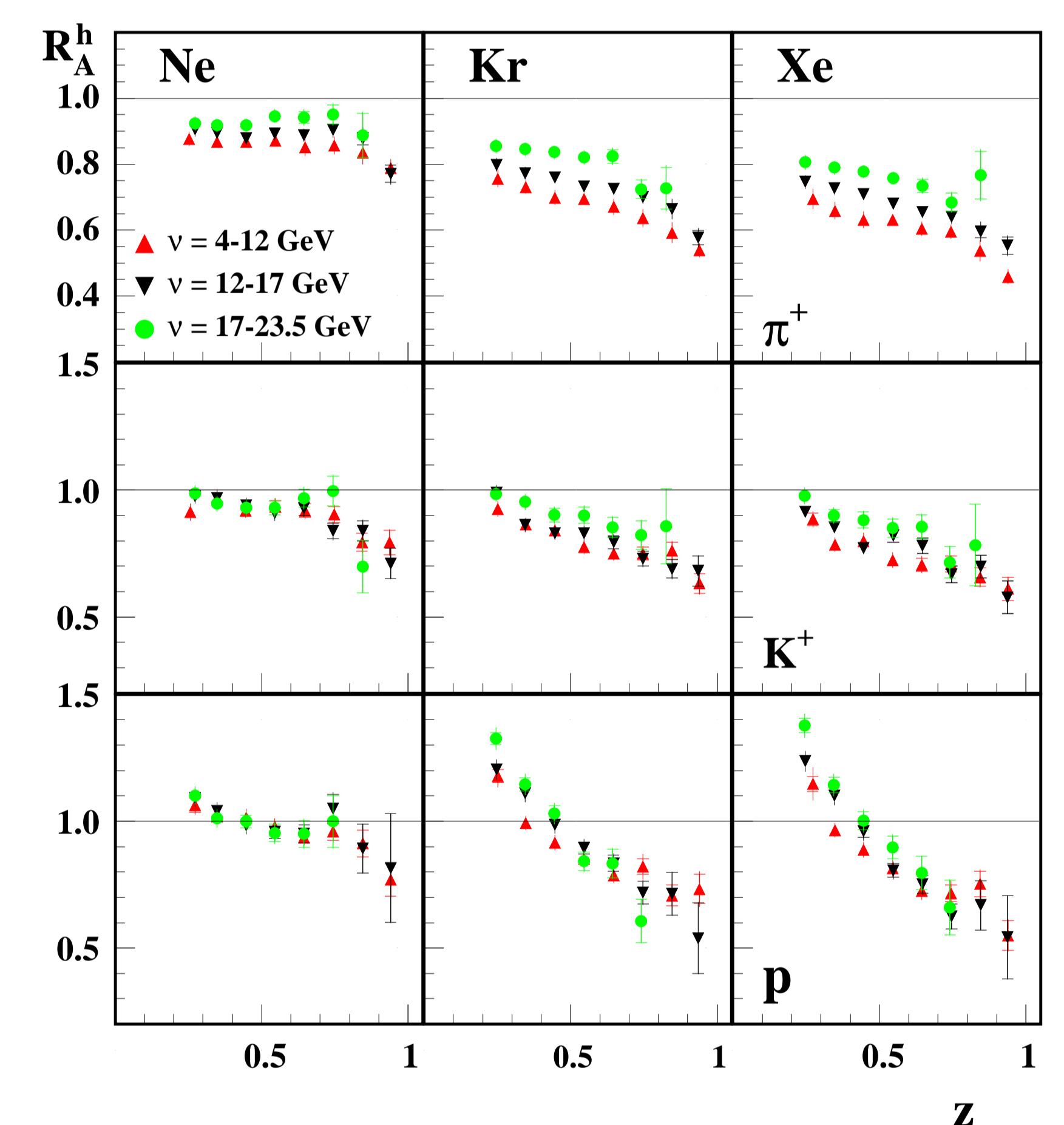
Diagram of semi-inclusive deep inelastic scattering.

$$R_A^h(\nu, Q^2, z, p_t^2) = \frac{(N^h(\nu, Q^2, z, p_t^2))_A}{(N^e(\nu, Q^2))_A} \frac{(N^h(\nu, Q^2, z, p_t^2))_D}{(N^e(\nu, Q^2))_D} \quad (1)$$

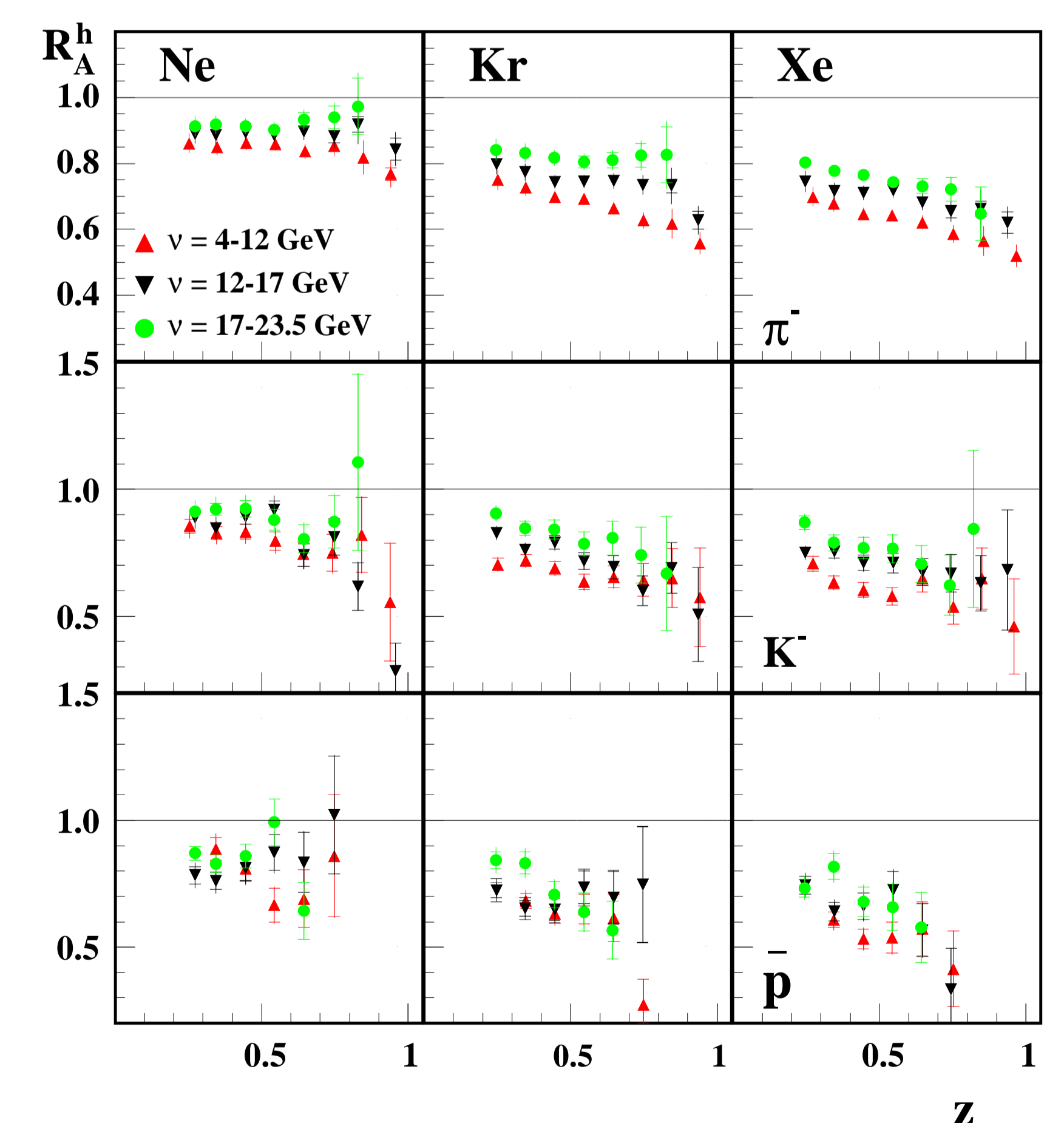
- ▲  $N^h(\nu, Q^2, z, p_t^2)$  - number of semi-inclusive hadrons in a given  $(\nu, Q^2, z, p_t^2)$  bin
- ▲  $N^e(\nu, Q^2)$  - number of inclusive deep inelastic scattered leptons in the same  $(\nu, Q^2)$  bin
- ▲  $\nu = E - E'$  - energy of a virtual photon
- ▲  $Q^2 = -q^2 = -(k - k')^2$  - negative squared four momentum transfer
- ▲  $p_t^2$  - transverse momentum square of a hadron
- ▲  $z = \frac{E_{had}}{\nu}$  - energy fraction of a hadron



Dependence of  $R_A^h$  on  $p_t^2$  for positively charged hadrons for three slices in  $z$ .



Dependence of  $R_A^h$  on  $z$  for positively charged hadrons for three slices in  $\nu$ .



Dependence of  $R_A^h$  on  $z$  for negatively charged hadrons for three slices in  $\nu$ .

- ▲ Cronin effect suppressed for large  $z$
- ▲ Less attenuation with larger  $\nu$  and small  $z$