Large x Physics in UPCs and EIC

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(I) Probing Nuclear Dynamics at Very Short Distances - r < 0.5 fm (> 1GeV)

- Physics of Nuclear Core

- We know why nuclei are bound
- We don't know why they are stable
- Hadron- quark/gluon transition
- Color non-singlet states
- Gluonic content of NN core
- Delta-Delta NN* components

(II) Probing Nuclear Partonic Distributions at large x

- Physics of the EMC Effect
- Modification of parton distributions in the bound nucleon
 - Dependence of modification on local densities/momenta
 - x and Q^2 dependence of parton modifications

(I)Probing Nuclear Dynamics at very short distances: NN repulsive core

Jastrow 1951 assumed the existence of the hard core to explain the angular distribution of pp cross section at 340 MeV (r_0 =0.6fm)





Stability Theorem: Nuclei will Collapse without Repulsive interaction 1950s Weisskopf, Blatt

Modern NN Potentials

$$\begin{split} V^{2N} &= V_{EM}^{2N} + V_{\pi}^{2N} + V_{R}^{2N} \\ V_{R}^{2N} &= V^{c} + V^{l2}L^{2} + V^{t}S_{12} + V^{ls}L \cdot S + v^{ls2}(L \cdot S)^{2} \\ V^{i} &= V_{int,R} + V_{core} \end{split}$$

$$V_{core} = \left[1 + e^{\frac{r - r_0}{a}}\right]^{-1}$$
60's



r*,* Fm



Perturbative QCD

Intrinsic strangeness/charm

r

(II) Nuclear Medium Modifications of PDFs (EMC Effect)





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FIG. 18. Ratios $(\sigma^A/\sigma^d)_{is}$ versus atomic weight A at (a) x = 0.220 and (b) x = 0.600. The solid lines are a parametrization of the data in terms of $(\sigma^A/\sigma^d)_{is} = C(x)A^{\sigma(x)}$. The errors shown include statistical, point-to-point systematic, and target-to-target errors. The overall uncertainty due to the deuterium target is included only at the A = 2 point.



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EMC Effect JLAB 2009

 $R_{EMC} = \frac{2\sigma_A}{A\sigma_D} \cdot f_{iso}$



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EMC - SRC - Correlation



FIG. 15. Q^2 -averaged $(\sigma^4/\sigma^d)_{is}$ ratios for isoscalar nuclei as a function of x. The data have been binned in fine x bins. Errors are the same as in Fig. 14.

SLAC 1993:Day Frankfurt, MS, Strikman PRC93



EMC - SRC - Correlation

Jlab 2012 Fomin et al, PRL 2012



EMC-SRC Correlations



arxiv 2012

Conceptually: How to probe nuclei at short nucleon separations

How to probe small distances in nuclei for NN-system (Peuteron)

1. Probe nucleon with large virtuality

2. Probe large relative momenta



$$\frac{1}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \sim \frac{1}{m(\frac{k^2}{2m} + |\epsilon_B| - i\epsilon)}$$

 $E_m \sim \frac{k^2}{2m} \gtrsim 100 \text{ MeV}$

 $k \gtrsim 300 \; {\rm MeV/c}$

High Density Fluctuations

Emergence of Short-Range Correlations

- start with A-body Schroedinger equation interacting by two body potential only $\left[-\sum_{i} \frac{\nabla_{i}^{2}}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,i} V(x_{i} - x_{j})\right] \psi(x_{1}, \cdots, x_{A}) = E\psi(x_{1}, \cdots, x_{A})$
 - Introducing

$$\psi(x_1, \cdots, x_A) = \int \Phi(k_1, \cdots, k_A) e^{i \sum_i k_i x_i} \prod_i \frac{d^3 k_i}{(2\pi)^{3/2}}$$
$$V(x_i - x_j) = \int U(q) e^{iq(x_i - x_j)} d^3q$$

$$\left(\sum_{i}\frac{k_i^2}{2m}-E_b\right)\Phi(k_1,\cdots,k_A) = -\frac{1}{2}\sum_{i,j}\int U(q)\,\Phi(k_1,\cdots,k_i-q,\cdots,k_j+q,\cdots,k_A)d^3q$$

- Assume: system is dilute

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- then the k dependence of the wave function for $k^2/2m_N \gg |E_B|$

Amado, 1976

$$\Phi^{(1)}(k_1,\cdots,k_c,\cdots,-k_c,\cdots,k_A) \approx \frac{U_{NN}(k_c)}{k_c^2} F_A(k_1,\cdots,k_A)$$

- Assume:
$$U_{NN}(q) \sim \frac{1}{q^n}$$
 with $n > 1$

$$\Phi^{(2)}(\cdots k_c, \cdots) \sim \frac{1}{k_c^{2+n}} \int \frac{1}{q^n} dq \sim \frac{U_{NN}(k_c)}{k_c^2} \int \frac{1}{q^n} dq$$

- For large k_c $\Phi^{(2)}(k_c) \ll \Phi^{(1)}(k_c)$ Frankfurt, Strikman 1981

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- 3N SRCs are parametrically smaller than 2N SRC

SuperFast quarks – short distance probes in nuclei

$$\left(x = \frac{Q^2}{2m_N q_0} > 1\right)$$

Two factors driving nucleons close together

Kinematic
$$p_{min} \equiv p_z = m_N \left(1 - x - x \left[\frac{W_N^2 - m_N^2}{Q^2} \right] \right)$$



Dynamical:QCD evolution



 $x_0 > x$

Existing Experiments:

- 1. BCDMS Collaboration 1994 (CERN): $~52 \leq Q^2 \leq 200~{
 m GeV^2}$
- 2. CCFR Collaboration 2000 (FermiLab): $Q^2=120~{
 m GeV^2}$
- 3. E02-019 Experiment 2010 (JLab)

 $Q_{AV}^2 = 7.4 \ {\rm GeV}^2$

- 4. Approved Experiments at JLab12
- 5. Alternative Studies at LHC p+A -> 2 jets + X
- 6. Ultra Peripheral Collision: $\gamma + A \rightarrow 2jets + X$? 7. Electron Ion Collider: $e + A \rightarrow e' + (N) + X$?

1. BCDMS Collaboration 1994 (CERN): Z.Phys C63 1994

Structure function of Carbon in deep-inelastic scattering of 200GeV muons

 $Q^2 = 61, 85 \text{ and } 150 \text{ GeV}^2$ x = 0.85, 0.95, 1.05, 1.15 and 1.3

$$F_{2A}(x,Q^2) = F_{2A}(x_0 = 0.75,Q^2)e^{-s(x-0.75)}$$

 $s = 16.5 \pm 0.6$

More than Fermi Gas but very marginal high momentum component



2. CCFR Collaboration 2000 (FermiLab): Phys. Rev. D61 2000

Using the neutrino and antineutrino beams in which structure function Iron was measured in the charged current sector for average

$$Q^2 = 120 \text{ GeV}^2 \text{ and } 0.6 \le x \le 1.2.$$

$$F_{2A} \sim e^{-s(x-x_0)}$$

 $s = 8.3 \pm 0.7(stat) \pm 0.7(sys)$



3. E02-019 Experiment 2010 (JLab)
Phys.Rev.Lett 204 2010
(ee') scattering of

$${}^{2}H, {}^{3}He, {}^{4}He, {}^{9}Be, {}^{12}C, {}^{64}Cu \text{ and } {}^{197}Au$$

 $6 < Q^{2} < 9 \text{ GeV}^{2}$
 $\xi = \frac{2x}{(1+r)} \text{ where } r = \sqrt{1 + \frac{4M_{N}^{2}x^{2}}{Q^{2}}}$







5. Probing Superfast quarks in p+A -> 2 jets + X reaction

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p + A \rightarrow \text{dijet} + X
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- Reaction is treated in Leading Twist Approximation
- Jets are produced in two-body parton-parton scattering
- one parton from the probe other from the nucleus
- <u>nuclear parton</u> originated from the bound nucleon



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$$p_{p}^{\mu} = \left(p_{p}^{+}, \frac{m_{p}^{2}}{p_{p}^{+}}, \mathbf{0}_{T}\right) = (2E_{0}, 0, \mathbf{0}_{T}) = \left(\sqrt{\frac{As_{NN}^{\text{avg.}}}{Z}}, 0, \mathbf{0}_{T}\right)$$
$$p_{A}^{\mu} = \left(\frac{M_{A}^{2}}{p_{A}^{-}}, p_{A}^{-}, \mathbf{0}_{T}\right) = (0, 2ZE_{0}, \mathbf{0}_{T}) = \left(0, \sqrt{AZs_{NN}^{\text{avg.}}}, \mathbf{0}_{T}\right)$$













Nuclear Partonic Distributions

$$\begin{split} f_{i/A}(x_A,Q^2) &= \sum_N \int_{x_A}^A \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} \int d^2 \mathbf{p}_T f_{N/A}(\alpha,\mathbf{p}_T) f_{i/N}^{(b)} \left(\frac{x_A}{\alpha},\alpha,\mathbf{p}_T,Q^2\right) \\ f_{N/A}(\alpha,\mathbf{p}_T) & \text{Light-Front fractional distribution of nucleon in the nucleus} \\ f_{i/N}^{(b)} \left(\frac{x_A}{\alpha_N},\alpha_N,\mathbf{p}_{N,T},Q^2\right) & \text{i-parton distribution in the bound nucleon N} \end{split}$$

Light-Front Distribution of Nucleon in the Nucleus

$$f_{N/A}(\alpha, \mathbf{p}_T) = f_{N/A}^{(MF)}(\alpha, \mathbf{p}_T) + f_{N/A}^{(2)}(\alpha, \mathbf{p}_{NT}) + f_{N/A}^{(3)}(\alpha, \mathbf{p}_{NT}) \cdots$$



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Partonic distribution in the bound nucleon: Medium Modification effects

$$F_{2}^{(A)}(x,Q^{2}) = \sum_{N} \int_{x}^{A} d\alpha \int d^{2} \mathbf{p}_{T} f_{N/A}(\alpha,\mathbf{p}_{T}) F_{2}^{(N,b)}\left(\frac{x}{\alpha},\alpha,\mathbf{p}_{T},Q^{2}\right)$$
$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{EMC}}(x,Q^{2}) = \frac{2}{A} \frac{\sigma_{eA}}{\sigma_{ed}} f_{iso} \approx \frac{2}{A} \frac{F_{2}^{(A)}(x,Q^{2})}{F_{2}^{(d)}(x,Q^{2})} f_{iso} \qquad Q^{2} = 10 \text{ GeV}^{2}$$



QCD Evolution of Medium Modifications



Checking Calculation for "Conventional" kinematics







$$\frac{d\sigma(x_A > 1)}{dp_T} = \int_{-2.5}^{2.5} d\eta_3 \int_{-5}^{-3} d\eta_4 \frac{2p_T d^3 \sigma}{d\eta_3 d\eta_4 dp_T^2} \Theta(x_A - 1)$$



Integrated cross section
at 7TeV per proton
$$\frac{d\sigma(x_{max} > x_A > x_{min})}{dp_T} = \int_{50GeV/c} dp_T \int_{-2.5}^{2.5} d\eta_3 \int_{-5}^{-3} d\eta_4 \frac{2p_T d^3\sigma}{d\eta_3 d\eta_4 dp_T^2} \Theta(x_A - x_{min}) \Theta(x_{max} - x_A)$$

	Unmodified (SRCs)	Modified (no SRCs)	Modified (SRCs)
All x_A	$58 \ \mu \mathrm{b}$	$55~\mu{ m b}$	$55 \ \mu \mathrm{b}$
$0.6 < x_A < 0.7$	$1.7 \ \mu \mathrm{b}$	$1.2 \ \mu \mathrm{b}$	$1.3 \ \mu \mathrm{b}$
$0.7 < x_A < 0.8$	$0.60 \ \mu \mathrm{b}$	$0.37~\mu{ m b}$	$0.43 \ \mu \mathrm{b}$
$0.8 < x_A < 0.9$	$0.20~\mu{ m b}$	$0.11 \ \mu \mathrm{b}$	$0.13 \ \mu \mathrm{b}$
$0.9 < x_A < 1$	59 nb	20 nb	33 nb
$1 < x_A$	21 nb	3.0 nb	9.3 nb

The expected yield for $x_A > 1$ events at the LHC is 326 events for a month of run time based on previously achieved luminosity of 35.5/nb.

Summary & Outlook

- p+A -> 2jets+X at large p_T allow to reach practically unexplored x>1 region
- Cross section in these kinematics is sensitive to the nuclear structure at very short distances
- It is sensitive also to the medium modification effects of PDFs allowing to study its x and Q² dependences
- Special care shout be given in separating above to phenomena



Contradicts Neutron Star Observations: will predict masses not more than 0.1 – 0.6 Solar mass







Lattice Calculations



How to probe high density fluctuations in nuclei

Probe large pre-existing relative momenta of nucleons in the nucleus

$$(E_B - \frac{k^2}{2m} - \sum_{i=2,..A} T_i)\psi_A = \sum_{i=2,...A} \int V(k - k'_i)\psi_A(k, k'_i, ...k_j, ...k_A) \frac{d^3k'_i}{(2\pi)^3} + \sum_{i=2,...A} \int V(k_i - k'_i)\psi_A(k, k'_i, ...k_j, ..., k_A) \frac{d^3k'_i}{(2\pi)^3}$$

If at large k,
$$V_{NN}(k) \sim rac{1}{k^n} ext{ and } n>1$$

Frankfurt M.S. Strikman IJMP 08

in $k^2/2m_N \gg |E_B|$ limit

$$\psi_A \sim \frac{V_{NN}(k)}{k^2} f(k_3, ...k_A),$$

where $f(k_3, ..., k_A)$ is a smooth function of spectator nucleon's momenta with $k_2 \sim -k$.