

Recent Results from Exclusive Studies of Two-Nucleon SRCs Or Hen Tel-Aviv University

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2N-SRC 101

2N-SRC are pairs of nucleons that:

- Are close together (overlap) in the nucleus
- Have high relative momentum and low c.m. momentum, where high and low is compared to the Fermi momentum (k_F) of the nucleus





Exclusive pp-SRC Studies

Measurement Concept:

- 1. Electron knockout of high momentum proton
- 2. Reconstruct the initial momentum of the knockout proton
- Look for the emission of a recoil proton with momentum that balance that of the struck proton





Previous Results – ¹²C

- Exclusive ¹²C(p,2pn) and ¹²C(e,e'pN) measurements probe the structure of the high momentum tail of the nuclear wave function
- Results show that for 300<P_{miss}<600 MeV/c all nucleons are part of 2N-SRC pairs



Data-Mining Analysis





(main) Analysis Goals

- 1. pp-SRC universality in large A nuclei
 - 1. Existence
 - 2. Characteristics (c.m. and relative momentum dist.)
 - 3. Probabilities
- 2. Extend $|P_{miss}|$ coverage transition to scalar force?
- 3. Nuclear Transparency FSI in SRC kinematics [O. Hen et al., arXiv: 1212.5343]
- 4. Quantum Numbers Extraction?



EG2 Experiment

- Run at 2004 in Hall-B of Jefferson Lab
- 5 GeV electron beam
 Deuterium+Solid targets simultaneously





<u>Data Collected for:</u> Deuterium + ¹²C/⁵⁶Fe/²⁰⁸Pb

²⁷AI

Target Setup: Deuterium + interchanging solid foils



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- 3. Missing Mass

- M_{miss} < m_N + m_{π}

















x_B and Resonance Excitations





First Data-Mining Paper

Measurement of transparency ratios for protons from short-range correlated pairs

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SLAC Results: Mean-Field Protons

- SLAC extracted the transparency of protons from ¹²C, ⁵⁶Fe, and ¹⁹⁷Au.
- Focused on mean-field (low momentum) protons, where the spectral function is well known

 $-30 < E_{miss} < 100 \text{ MeV}$

 $-0 < p_{miss} < 250$ MeV/c for ¹²C and ⁵⁶Fe

 $-0 < p_{miss} < 210$ MeV/c for ¹⁹⁷Au

Q^2	$T_{ m C}$	$T_{\rm Fe}$	$T_{ m Au}$
$({\rm GeV/c})^2$			
1.04	$0.64{\pm}0.05$	$0.50 {\pm} 0.05$	$0.39 {\pm} 0.05$
3.06	$0.63 {\pm} 0.06$	$0.39 {\pm} 0.05$	$0.26 {\pm} 0.04$
5.00	$0.61 {\pm} 0.06$	$0.40 {\pm} 0.06$	$0.23 {\pm} 0.04$
6.77	$0.67 {\pm} 0.07$	$0.43 {\pm} 0.06$	$0.32 {\pm} 0.07$

T. G. O'Neill et al. Phys. Lett. B 87, 351 (1995)



World Data: Mean-Field

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Our Approach – Focus on the Correlations!

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Transparency ratio of SRC protons in nuclei can be expressed as:

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Number of np-SRC pairs

ep->ep off-shell cross section Number of pp-SRC pairs



Counting the Relative Number of 2N-SRC Pairs in Nuclei

 From inclusive (e,e') cross section ratios we know that:

$$\frac{a_2(A_1/d)}{a_2(A_2/d)} = \frac{(\#np \cdot (\sigma_{ep} + \sigma_{en}) + 2\#pp \cdot \sigma_{ep} + 2\#nn \cdot \sigma_{en})_{A_1}/A_1}{(\#np \cdot (\sigma_{ep} + \sigma_{en}) + 2\#pp \cdot \sigma_{ep} + 2\#nn \cdot \sigma_{en})_{A_2}/A_2}$$

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Which Gives:

$$\frac{T(A_1)}{T(A_2)} = \frac{\sigma_{A_1(e,e'p)}/(A_1 \cdot a_2(A_1))}{\sigma_{A_2(e,e'p)}/(A_2 \cdot a_2(A_2))} = a_2(A_2/A_1) \cdot \frac{\sigma_{A_1(e,e'p)}/A_1}{\sigma_{A_2(e,e'p)}/A_2}$$

Theory Independent Observable!

Results I - | P | Dependence



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Results II – A dependence

Assume $T(A)=A^{\alpha}$ $\alpha \approx -1/3$ Consistent with scattering from the nucleus surface





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First steps in EG2 Neutrons analysis (Done[©]):

- Identify neutrons using exclusive $d(e,e'p\pi^+\pi^-n)$ events
- Determine path-length and momentum corrections
- Extract detection efficiency and momentum resolution



Neutron Detection Efficiency d(e,e'π⁺π⁻n) / d(e,e'π⁺π⁻)n





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Momentum Resolution d(e,e'π⁺π⁻n)





(e,e'pp) Event Selection

- Select events with exactly two identified protons in the final state
- Apply electron kinematical cuts $-x_{R} > 1.2$
- Identify a leading proton:
 - $\theta_{pq} > 25^{\circ}, 0.62 < |P|/|q| < 0.96$ [No events with two leading protons]
- Apply all A(e,e'p) cuts on the leading proton
 - |P_{miss}| > 300 MeV/c
 - M_{miss} < m_N + m_{π}



(e,e'pp) Kinematics





(e,e'pp) Kinematics





(e,e'pp) Kinematics

⁵⁶Fe



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Opening angle





excitation Energies





Kinematic Coverage and (Current) Observables

- Cross section ratios:
 - A(e,e'p)_{M.F.} / ¹²C(e,e'p)_{M.F.}
 - $-A(e,e'p)_{SRC} / {}^{12}C(e,e'p)_{SRC}$
 - $-A(e,e'pp)_{SRC} / {}^{12}C(e,e'pp)_{SRC}$
- pp-SRC characteristics:
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 - Center-of-mass momentum distribution
- pp-SRC probabilities



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See talk by E. Piasetzky for (e,e'p) results



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It is more likely to find a high P_{miss} nucleon that comes from a *low* $P_{relative}$ and a $P_{c.m.}$ that points in its direction (i.e. case II)



Event-Mixing Acceptance Corrections





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Reconstruction Resolution P_{c.m.} TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY



σ_{res} ≅ 20 MeV/c

Correction of ≈ 3 MeV/c for $\sigma_{c.m.}$ ≈160 MeV/c

$$\sigma_{c.m.} = \sqrt{\sigma_{exp}^2 - \sigma_{res}^2} \implies$$



(weak) A-dependence of the c.m. momentum distribution



VERY week A dependence Indicate small contribution form FSI?



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A-dependence of $\sigma_{A(e,e'pp)}$

 Very week A-dependence of the A(e,e'pp) cross section:

-2^{\prime} AI / 12 C = 1.9 ± 0.16	5
$-{}^{56}$ Fe / 12 C = 2.5 ± 0.14	21
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- Calculations by the GENT group show consistency with I=0 SRC pairs







Results and conclusions

• (e,e'p) and (e,e'n)

- First paper on SRC protons transparency ratios under review for publication in Physics Letters B
- Neutron analysis in progress
- (e,e'pp) pp-SRC universality
 - Extracted c.m. momentum distributions
 - width are 160~180 MeV/c for ¹²C ²⁰⁸Pb
 - A(e,e'pp) cross section increase slowly with A (208 Pb/ 12 C = 4.4)

[Consistent with I=0 calculation by the GENT group]

 Analysis of (e,e'pp)/(e,e'p) as a function of P_{miss} in progress





Thank You !

