# SRC studies with Proton and Electron Beams





Correlations in Partonic and Hadronic Interactions 2018

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Close nucleons



#### Kim Egiyan Memorial Interm





#### Anania Shirakatsi Medal



#### Are Nucleons Modified in SRC?

Because nucleons in SRC are deeply bounded, they should be modified, e.g., in shape, in quark distributions.

Electron scattering from the nucleons in SRC will probe these modifications. This contributes towards better understanding of nucleon structure.

These studies are one of the main direction of electro-nuclear program at JLab.



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$$Q^{2} = -q_{\mu}q^{\mu} = q^{2} - \omega^{2}$$
$$\omega = E' - E$$
$$x_{B} = \frac{Q^{2}}{2m\omega} \quad (=\frac{Q^{2}}{2(q \cdot p_{T})})$$

 $0 \le x_B \le 1$ 

Electrons, muons, neutrinos

SLAC, CERN, HERA, FNAL, JLAB

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E, E' 5-500 GeV
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 $Q^2$  5-50 GeV<sup>2</sup>

w<sup>2</sup> >4 GeV<sup>2</sup>

 $0 \le X_B \le 1$ 

**X**<sub>B</sub> gives the fraction of nucleon momentum carried by the struck parton

Information about nucleon vertex is contained in  $F_1(x,Q^2)$  and  $F_2(x,Q^2)$ , the unpolarized structure functions



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## Deep Inelastic Scattering: The EMC Effect



Aubert et al., PLB (<u>1983</u>); Ashman et al., PLB (1988); Arneodo et al., PLB (1988); Allasia et al., PLB (1990); Gomez et al., PRD (1994); Seely et al., PRL (2009); Schmookler et al., Submitted (<u>2018</u>)

# 35 years after discovery: **35** years after discovery: **still no consensus on underlaying cause**



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## **Short-Range Correlations (SRC)**





### What are Short Range Correlations in nuclei ?







# Probing Correlations Using Hard Knockout Reactions



Same with high energy protons



# The EVA spectrometer and the n-counters:



The first attempt do a triple coincidence measurement at Yerevan 1991







**BigBite Spectrometer** 

# CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer [CLAS]



Open (e,e') trigger, Large-Acceptance, Low luminosity (~10<sup>34</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup>)

Piasetzky et al., PRL. 97 (2006) 162504. R. Subedi et al., Science 320, 1476 (2008).



The high momentum tail in nuclei is dominated by SRC pairs

Most of the SRC pairs (90%) are np only 5% pp and 5% nn

Proton vs. Neutron Knockout





## Same # of high-momentum protons and neutrons



M. Duer et al. (CLAS Collaboration), Nature, 560 (2018) 617-621

# np – dominance



## np- dominance and Asymmetric Nuclei



For nuclei with N>Z:

Protons have a greater probability than neutrons to be above the Fermi sea.



## What do the outer shell neutrons do ?

Do they produce SRC pairs with the inner shells protons ?



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#### The European Muon Collaboration (EMC) effect





$$F_2^A \neq Z \cdot F_2^p + N \cdot F_2^n$$
  
After 30 years no consensus on cause of EMC effect



PRL 106, 052301 (2011), PRC 85 047301 (2012), RMP 89, 04500 (2017)







**EMC effect is isospin dependent** 

A larger fraction of the Proton than neutron will be modify in nuclei.

### **Prediction 2:**



## EMC effect should saturate for neutrons and grow for protons



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## Neutrons Saturate, Protons Grow





Schmookler, Duer, and Schmidt et al., submitted (2018)







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## **Internal Structure of Bound Nucleons**



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#### Large Acceptance Detector (LAD@Hall-C)



Backward Angle Neutron Detector (BAND@Hall-B) MIT-BATES / TAU / ODU / UTSM Summary





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