## Precision Short Range Correlation studies in Nuclei

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Short range, short lived, highly correlated pairs



## High relative momentum Low center of mass momentum









n\_SRC(p\_rel, p\_cm) = sum\_pairs contact\_pair phi^2(p\_rel) n(p\_cm) Sigma(e,e'p) = integral K sigma\_ep n\_SRC



#### **Questions Answered**

Pair Abundance



SRC dominate for p > 350 MeV/c

I. Korover, et al. PLB 820 (2021) 136523.

Center of Mass Motion



Pcm consistent with 2 mean field nucleons

E.O. Cohen, et al., PRL 121, 092501 (2018).

**Pair Interaction** 



tensor to scalar transition neutron-proton pairs dominate

Schmidt and Pybus et al., Nature (2020) Pybus et al., PLB (2020) Korover and Pybus et al. PLB (2021)



ADD A DEPENDENCE sigma cm



#### **Questions next generation**

Pair Abundance



Where are pairs formed? Which nucleons pair? Do 3N SRC exist?

Center of Mass Motion



Pair Interaction



SRC pairs move in the nucleus Precision COM measurements

tensor to scalar transition neutron-proton pairs dominate Precision NN interaction at short distances

Scale (Q2) independence of SRC observables





### Run Group-M (RGM)

- Ran November 2021 February 2022
- (120Sn,48Ca,40Ca,40Ar, C, 4He, D, H)
- Fully calibrated, currently reconstructing data



#### **Questions RGM answers**

Pair Abundance



Center of Mass Motion



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**Pair Interaction** 

np dominance

#### SRC pairs move in the nucleus

Tensor->Scalar transition (CLAS6) Precision NN interaction at short distances

Scale independence of SRC observables



Change the resolution scale of the reaction by looking at dependence on momentum transfer  $Q^2$ , |t|

## Probe

Compare different reactions using different **probes**: Electron-scattering, Proton-scattering, Photoproduction





#### See Jackson Pybus's talk after this





#### **Questions RGM answers**

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#### Scale independence

Center of Mass Motion





#### Questions RGM and CaFe answer

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## SRC in Asymmetric Nuclei CaFe Exp. (Hall C)





### CaFe and RG-M

#### • CaFe

- 11 GeV: <sup>9</sup>Be, <sup>10</sup>B, <sup>11</sup>B, <sup>12</sup>C, <sup>40</sup>Ca, <sup>48</sup>Ca, <sup>54</sup>Fe
- Small aperture spectrometers
- Separate Mean field and SRC kinematic settings
- o (e,e'p) only
- RG-M
  - 6 GeV : C, <sup>40</sup>Ca, <sup>48</sup>Ca, <sup>120</sup>Sn
  - CLAS12
  - (e,e'p), (e,e'pN)

### Data / MC comparison



Good agreement with mean field nucleons between data and simulation (SIMC)



PRELIMINARY No systematic errors.	Integrated Ratios <sup>48</sup> Ca/ <sup>40</sup> Ca SRC per proton
RG-M (Hall B)	1.03 (2)
CaFe (Hall C)	1.02 (1)

RGM very preliminary Confirms CaFe results



RG-M (CaFe) Julian Kahlbow (MIT) Ron Wagner (Tel Aviv U.) (e,e') and (e,e'p) disagreement?



#### (e,e') cross section ratio is NOT the SRC pair ratio!



Varying model parameters changes SRC pair ratio by 10%

#### **Questions RGM answers**

Pair Abundance



np dominance Where are pairs formed? Which nucleons pair? Observe 3N SRC

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#### Pathway to 3N SRC Discovery...

#### Characterize 3N SRC kinematics...



#### Variables to suppress FSI...

Q2, Xb, p/q ??? New ones

3N SRC cross-section...





#### **Describing 3-NN interaction**

#### 2N-SRC (6 parameters)

- 3 center of mass
- 2 Euler angles
- 1 NN interaction variable (p<sub>rel</sub>)



#### 3N-SRC (9 parameters)

- 3 center of mass
- 3 Euler angles
- 3 NN interaction variables

# ?

<sup>3</sup>He wavefunction (ppn) No 3-body interactions

#### **3NN** interaction variables

3 particles -> 9 variables



$$p_{tot} = p_1 + p_2 + p_3$$

- 3 center of mass
- 3 euler angles
- 3 NN interaction parameters





#### 3N SRC modified-Dalitz plot (Denniston plot)





#### 3-NN wavefunction slice



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#### Acceptance

