SRC and nPDF Universality

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Short-Range Correlations Across Scales



Quarks in SRCs and Nuclei



How does QCD dynamics affect the identity of nucleons in nuclei?



Quark Momentum Suppression in Nuclei (EMC Effect)



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Quark Momentum Suppression

38 years, > 1000 publications, no consensus. **Effect driven by nuclear structure & dynamics**



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SRC Picture of Nuclei



Nucleon Momentum

EMC – SRC Correlation



Nature (2019); RMP (2017); IJMPE (2013); PRC (2012); PRL (2011); ...

SRC Fraction (A/d)







SRC Universality!



Schmookler et al., Nature (2019); Segarra et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. (2020); Segarra and Pybus et al., Phys. Rev. Research (2021)



Verified Predictions!



MARATHON Data: Abrams et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. (2022) Our Prediction: Segarra et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. (2020)



<u>Next Step:</u> Nuclear Quark-Gluon Distributions From Global Analysis

Introduction to nPFDs

(1) Data







$$xf_i^{p/A}(x, Q_0) = c_0 x^{c_1} (1-x)^{c_2} e^{c_3 x} (1+e^{c_4} x)^{c_5},$$

$$c_k \to c_k(A) \equiv p_k + a_k (1-A^{-b_k})$$

Corrections...

$$\begin{split} F_{2}^{\text{TMC}}(x,Q) &= \frac{x^{2}}{\xi^{2}r^{3}}F_{2}^{(0)}(\xi,Q) + \dots \\ \frac{F_{2}^{A,\text{TMC}}(x,Q)}{F_{2}^{D,\text{TMC}}(x,Q)} &\simeq \frac{F_{2}^{A,\text{leading}},(x,Q)}{F_{2}^{D,\text{TMC}},(x,Q)} = \frac{F_{2}^{A,(0)}(\xi,Q)}{F_{2}^{D,(0)}(\xi,Q)} \\ F_{2}^{A}(x,Q) &\to F_{2}^{A}(x,Q) \left[1 + \frac{C_{\text{HT}}(x,A)}{Q^{2}}\right] \\ C_{\text{HT}}(x,A) &= h_{0}x^{h_{1}}(1 + h_{2}x)A^{\tau}, \quad \frac{F_{2}^{A}}{F_{2}^{p}} \equiv \frac{F_{2}^{A}}{F_{2}^{p}} \cdot \left(\frac{F_{2}^{A}}{F_{2}^{p}}\right) \\ \end{split}$$

 $\left(\frac{F_2^D}{F_2^p}\right)$

Introduction to nPFDs

(3) Fit



Utilizing PRD 103, 114015 (2021)

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(4) Extract Flavor-Dependent Distributions



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Nuclear Quark-Gluon Distributions From Global Analysis

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Nuclear Quark-Gluon Distributions From Global Analysis

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> Reminder: traditionally nuclear dependence is a complex parametrization: Utilizing PRD 103, 114015 $c_k \rightarrow c_k(A) \equiv p_k + a_k(1 - A^{-b_k})$

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Nuclear DIS (EMC + Shadowing)



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Correctly Predict SRC Abundances



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First (?) prediction of a nuclear structure property, i.e. SRC abundance, from purely partonic observables!





+ Enhanced Valance SRC Modification



Nuclear Interaction *Universally* Impacts Quark-Gluon Distributions



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Thank you!

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