



In Medium Nucleon Structure Function, SRC, and the EMC Effect

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The European Muon Collaboration (EMC) effect DIS cross section per nucleon in nuclei ≠ DIS off a free nucleon



Can **<u>not</u>** be explained only by simple Fermi motion and binding effects

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 $\sigma_d^{DIS} = \sigma_p^{DIS} + \sigma_n^{DIS}$

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momentum carried by the struck parton



number of nucleons involved



x_B>1 determines minimum p_{miss}

 \rightarrow sensitive to the high momentum tail of the nuclear wave function \rightarrow scaling

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x_B gives the fraction of nucleon momentum carried by the struck parton



x_B counts the minimum





JLab CLAS A(e,e') Result



Plateau shows same high-p distributions

Scale factors give relative probabilities for SRC

20% probability for 2N-SRC in ¹²C

1-2% probability for 3N-SRC

More A/d data: SLAC D. Day et al. PRL 59,427(1987)

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More on 2N-SRC from inclusive and exclusive data

- 1 The probability for a nucleon to have p≥300 MeV/c in medium nuclei is 20-25%
- ² More than ~90% of all nucleons with p ≥ 300 MeV/c belong to 2N-SRC.
 - ~80% of kinetic energy of nucleon in nuclei is carried by nucleons in 2N-SRC.



4 Three nucleon SRC are present in nuclei



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Where is the EMC effect ?



Where is the EMC effect ?



Question 2:

Is the EMC effect predominantly associated with high momentum nucleons?



L. B. Weinstein et al. PRL. 106, 052301 (2011)



 The EMC effect is related to high momentum nucleons in the nucleus



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Question 3:

Is there a large 'EMC effect' in tagged DIS off Deuterium ?
Is the In-Medium structure function momentum dependent?



Question 4:

How does the nucleon structure function F_2 depend on the nucleon virtuality ?



Theory Report

PR12-11-107: In Medium Nucleon Structure Functions, SRC and the EMC effect A.V. Radyushkin, M.R. Pennington

This is a <u>well motivated experiment that has to be done</u>, and one JLab is well placed to perform.

We Agree :) Now: can we do it ?

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$$\cdot \frac{\sigma_{DIS}^{free}(x_{low}, Q_2^2)}{\sigma_{DIS}^{free}(x_{high}, Q_1^2)} \cdot R_{FSI}$$

$$= \frac{F_2^{bound}(x_{high}, Q_1^2, \vec{p}_s)}{F_2^{free}(x_{high}, Q_1^2)}$$

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 R_{FSI} is the FSI correction factor

Obstacles (FSI)



<u>What do we know about FSI:</u> Decrease with Q² Increase with W'

> Not sensitive to x' Small for θ_{pq}>107°



DEEPS, PRC 73, 035212 (2006)

How are we going to minimize (correct for) FSI:

* Collect data at very large recoil angles (small FSI) and at ~90° (large FSI)

- * look at ratios of two different x'
 - * Use the low x' large phase space to check / adjust the FSI calculations (Study the dependence of FSI on Q², W' and θ_{pq})
 - * Get a large involvement of theoretical colleges at all stages of proposal, measurement, analysis

Experimental setup - Hall-C



Large Acceptance Detector (LAD)



GEM based Vertex cut Dominated by Multiple Scattering



UVA group has experience and is interested in developing the GEMs for this experiment



Assuming a 0.5-1 cm vertex reconstruction resolution Improves (e,e'p_s) S/BG by a factor of 2-4

Proton Detection



Momentum resolution (300-500MeV/c):

$$\frac{\Delta p}{p} = \frac{\Delta TOF}{TOF} = \frac{0.250\,\text{ns}}{(50 - 33)\text{ns}} = 0.5 - 0.8\%$$

S/BG				
α _s	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5
x' _B >0.45	1:1	1:2	1:2	1:2
0.25 <x'b<0.35< th=""><th>3:1</th><th>1:1</th><th>1:1</th><th>1:1</th></x'b<0.35<>	3:1	1:1	1:1	1:1

Neutron Detection

- 5 LAD layers
- Veto charged particles using GEM and first layer
- 5 MeVee threshold reduces n and γ background
- Done in Hall-A and B with scintillator detectors
- Detailed, bin by bin, background simulation, based on Hall-C singles neutron measurements and simulations
 - 1:200 S/BG ratio at high x'
 - Cut on x' and W'
 - Remove worst bins
 - Cut on θ_{pq} >110°
 - \rightarrow 1:20 S/BG ratio at high x'



Subtract random background with mixed events



Kinematics



Beam Time Request

- Setup and Calibration: <u>6 days</u>
- Production:
 - SHMS: low x'_B HMS: high x'_B 300 hours
 - SHMS: high x'_{B} HMS: low x'_{B} 300 hours
 - SHMS: high x'_B HMS: high x'_B **210 hours**
 - **Total Production Time: 34 days**

[Determined by the $(e,e'p_s)$ statistics]

- <u>Total Beam Time: 40 Days</u>
- PAC approval will justify the effort of intact removal of LAD counters

Expected Results



Systematic Uncertainties (4-7% total):

- SHMS and HMS efficiency and acceptance (1-2%)
- LAD efficiency (3% protons, 5% neurons)
- AI walls subtraction (1%)
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A direct measurement of the nucleon structure function in the nuclear medium as a function of its virtuality / momentum

Is it modified?

Can it explain the EMC effect?

How is it related to short range correlated nucleons?

This is not a EMC measurement. A further EMC measurement is proposed in LOI 11-104

Thank You!

EMC-SRC correlation
Comparing the magnitude of the EMC effect and the SRC scaling factors



SLAC data:

Frankfurt, Strikman, Day, Sargsyan, Phys. Rev. C48 (1993) 2451. Q²=2.3 GeV/c² Gomez et al., Phys. Rev. D49, 4348 (1983). Q²=2, 5, 10, 15 GeV/c² (averaged)

Comparing the EMC and SRC strengths



<u>Virtuality dependent medium</u> modification of the form factor ratio

Medium modification of form factor ratios



The double ratio of proton polarization in the x' and z' directions for ${}^{4}\text{He}(\vec{e},e'\vec{p}){}^{3}\text{H}$ relative to $\text{H}(\vec{e},e'\vec{p})$ plotted versus nucleon virtuality showing deviation from the free nucleon for $Q^{2} = 0.8$ and 1.3 GeV²

M. Paolone, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 105, 072001 (2010)

- Medium modification of the proton's form factor ratio (G_e/G_m) observed in polarization transfer measurements
- The observed modification grows as a function of nucleon virtuality
- PR11-107 will cover a much larger virtuality range of ~ 0.2-0.5 (GeV/c²)²



Pion Background CLAS EG2 data



Pi:Proton = 3:1

Pion Background Hall-A E07-006 (SRC) data, BigBite at 92° no magnetic field



Pi:Proton = 3:1

Pion Background Simulations by Pavel Degtiarenko



Pion Background

Backwards pion to proton ratio is ~1:5 Pions are a problem only in they nuclear interact within the LAD scintillator counters The (pi,p) cross section drops for low energy pion

Backwards pions are not an issue



<u>Neutron singles Rates</u> (response to TAC report)

Neutron Singles Rates



Singles Measurements at Hall-C



E01-015 proposal, December (2000)

Neutron Detection Efficiency

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SHMS, HMS, and LAD calibration plan

(response to TAC report)

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Final calibration run plan is dependent on the final LAD design and flexibility. From our experience with the exclusive SRC experiments (E01-015 and E07-006) we expect these measurements to include:

- Standard spectrometers calibrations.
- Neutron detection efficiency measurement using kinematically complete d(e,e'pn) measurements with the electron and proton detected by the spectrometers and the neutron by LAD.
- H(e,e'p) measurements with the electron being detected by the spectrometers and well defined (energy and angle) protons by LAD.

(Will be used for TOF, energy loss, threshold, and coincidence times measurements)

Al Dummy target to get the target cell window contribution.

Kinematics

Electron Kinematics

Low x' range (central values):	High x' range (central values):
$E_{\rm in} = 10.9 {\rm ~GeV}$	$E_{\rm in} = 10.9 {\rm GeV}$
E' = 4.4 GeV	E' = 4.4 GeV
$\theta_e = 13.5^{\circ}$	$\theta_e = -17^{\circ}$
$Q^2 = 2.65 \text{ GeV}^2$	$Q^2 = 4.19 \text{ GeV}^2$
$ \vec{q} = 6.7 \text{ GeV}/c$	$ \vec{q} = 6.8 \text{ GeV}/c$
$\theta_q = -8.8^{\circ}$	$\theta_{q} = 10.8^{\circ}$
x = 0.217	x = 0.34

12 GeV needed for kinematical range and higher cross section

LAD Phase Space Coverage



























Analysis Example I – W' Dependence



Analysis Example II – P Dependence





Analysis Example III – x'_R Dependence



LAD Drawings

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