#### **Lessons from Lepton-Nucleon and Lepton-Nuclei Interactions**



Probing the structure of the atomic nucleus

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### **Part 2: Lepton-Nucleus**







## The nucleus in hadron physics

#### We have two coexisting pictures

- A nucleus made of protons and neutrons
- A nucleus made of quarks and gluons somewhat bound into nucleons

#### Main question:

- What are the right degrees of freedom?

#### **Answer:**

- It depends what you are trying to do





## **Nuclear Form Factors**

#### Very similarly to protons

- Elastic scattering on nuclei provides information on their size and charge distribution
- Large spins give access to non spherical components
- Mostly described in terms of classic protons and neutrons

#### Large momentum transfer

- Give access to configurations where nucleons are close together
- Raise the question of nucleon overlap and its effect



## **Deuteron Form Factors**



# Deuterium has an extra form factor

- Allows to measure the quadrupole moment
- Gives access to the shape of deuterium

Very important measurement in nuclear physics

- Strong constraint on the N-N force
- Necessitate a relativistic treatment of the nucleus

## **Nuclear radius**

## No puzzle here!

 Muonic atoms of light nuclei do not show any deviation from electronic ones

# Radius of unstable nuclei

- Using laser traps and atomic physics measurements
- Combines they allow to measure precisely the radius of unstable nuclei

Z.-T. Lu et al. Rev.Mod.Phys. 85 (2013) 1383



## Weak Charge FFs



Similar than for protons, we can look at nuclear weak charge with parity violating assymetries

- In the nucleus, it highlights the contribution from neutrons
- Used to understand the neutron skin of nuclei of interest for low energy nuclear physics

## Can be of importance for other higher energy processes

- Particularly when surface interactions are dominating
  - We will discuss some of them later!

## **Quasi-elastic Scattering (QES)**

#### What is it?

- Elastic scattering on a bound nucleon

# Are bound nucleons modified?

- It seems so, but there are many caveats
- Reinteractions with nuclear fragments are likely
  - Final state interactions
- Initial state nucleon are off their mass shell
  - We actually measure transition form factors

# This remains an open question

- Much more to come on the topic

O. Benhar et al. Rev.Mod.Phys. 80 (2008) 189-224



## **Nuclear Dynamic**

## Nucleon kinematics can be inferred from QES

- Using the extra momentum of the reaction
- Similarly to previous discussion this is subject to corrections

#### We find two regions

- Low momentum from Fermi motion
- High momentum contribution from short range correlated nucleon pairs (SRC)

#### Past but coming back

- Recent calculations of nuclear dynamic are often beyond these methods
- Yet it is making a comeback to look into SRC pairs





## **Short Range Correlated Nucleons**



#### **Recent studies of SRC pairs**

- They have a universal behavior linked to the NN potential
- They are dominated by np pairs rather than pp or nn
  - This holds for neutron rich nuclei
- The tensor nuclear force dominates in this kinematic region

#### **Can they modify the nuclear structure ?**

#### - More on this later

O. Hen et al. Rev.Mod.Phys. 89 (2017) no.4, 045002

- C. Ciofi degli Atti, Physics Reports 590 (2015) 1-85
- L. Frankfurt et al. Int.J.Mod.Phys. A23 (2008) 2991-3055



## **Nuclear PDFs**



## Measurement of nuclear PDFs was very surprising

- Shadowing
- Anti-shadowing
- EMC effect
- Fermi motion

#### Lot of theoretical activity

- Very little consensus



## **Nuclear PDFs**

## Similar issues than for the nucleon

- Made worst by additional complications
- Masses are large
  - Either make tighter cuts
  - Or apply corrections

#### Amount of data is limited

#### - No nuclei in A1 and Zeus

- Hope for an EIC are high for this
- Leads to a reduced number of parameters i.e. model assumptions

#### Summary

- We observe the effects but with limited resolution
- Gluons, sea and even d are mostly unknown



## Shadowing

# Linked to multiple scattering

- Screening of some nucleons
- Several calculation methods available
  - Including CGC
- They diverge largely at lower x

#### **Data is very limited**

- Low x coincide with low  $Q^2$
- Below 10<sup>-2</sup> is barely explored

#### **Strong impact on LHC**

- Relevant x range for PbPb collisions at LHC
- Very important phenomena to understand initial state in HIC

N. Armesto, J.Phys. G32 (2006) R367-R394



## **Anti-Shadowing**

# The least discussed nuclear effect

# Mostly assumed to be there to satisfy sum rules

 A very unsatisfactory explanation

#### Few shadowing models have better integration of the effect

- Anti shadowing being the constructive equivalent of the shadowing
- Leads to flavor behaviors still to be experimentally measured
  - As you will see, flavor dependent effects in nuclei are major issues



## **EMC Effect**

#### The most studied

- Much data from SLAC and JLab
- Now known at the percent level for many nuclei

### **Easily described by models**

- It is only a 1D effect
- Many, many models and lots of litterature:

 O. Hen et al. Rev.Mod.Phys. 89 (2017) no.4, 045002
 0.35

 S. Malace et al. Int.J.Mod.Phys. E23 (2014) no.08, 1430013
 0.30

 P.R. Norton, Rept.Prog.Phys. 66 (2003) 1253-1297
 0.25

 Irst explanations
 0.25

# First explanations eventually failed

- The most popular involved including pions in the nuclei
- Now the A dependence is often used to discriminate



## **Fermi Motion**

#### The only part that was expected

- In experiment however the effect is at higher x
- Meaning the EMC effect is that much stronger

## Beware, this is not as straight forward as it might seem

- The momentum distributions in nuclei are not simple
- Fast nucleons should be highly virtual







## **Describing the Nucleus**

# So why is it so difficult to describe the nucleus?

- There is some overlap between nucleons
  - Which may or may not be significant
- No one knows what happens to virtual nucleons
  - *Rescaling x or Q2 in nuclei can describe the EMC effect*
  - They have completely different physics meaning

#### - There might be other objects in the nucleus

- Is the nuclear force affecting the nucleon's structure?
- Are close nucleons forming bound 6, 9 or even 12q bags?

#### At the same time the nucleus is a complex object

- We are starting to link the low energy nuclear aspects with hadron physics aspects
  - At the theoretical level with more and more advanced calculations
  - At the experimental level with short range correlation and soon tagging



## **Mean Field Treatment**



#### One can apply a mean field to nucleons

- Necessitate a model of the nucleon
- Here the nucleon is modified by the scalar mean field

#### The nucleon wave function gets modified

- Hopefully you obtain a good description of the EMC effect
- Mean field treatment is unable to describe light nuclei
  - Which we know better in principle

#### - However they can make predictions for other observables

• Polarized EMC effect here for example

Model from I. Cloet et al. Phys.Rev.Lett. 95 (2005) 052302

## **Nutev Anomaly**

#### The same model predicts important flavor effects

- These can have major impact on experiments

#### - The Nutev anomaly is a famous example

- Nutev is a neutrino scattering experiment in Fermi Lab
- They measured weak mixing angle and found a discrepancy
- The problem appears to be that neutrino scattering experiments use nuclear targets, which flavor structure is unknown

## One could see Nutev as the first evidence of such flavor dependent nuclear effect



## Rescaling

# Rescaling models had a great deal of success

- They consist on shifting the bound nucleon PDFs
- Because of evolution, it can be done either for x or Q<sup>2</sup>

# Q<sup>2</sup> Rescaling → Nucleon size increased

$$F_2^{N/A}(x,Q^2) = F_2^N(x,\xi_A(Q^2)Q^2)$$

#### x Rescaling → Binding reduce quark's momentum

$$F_2^{N/A}(x_A, Q^2, p_1^2) = F_2^{N/A}\left(\frac{x_{Bj}}{z_1^{(A)}}, Q^2\right)$$

$$p_{10} = M_A - \sqrt{(M_{A-1} + E_{A-1}^*)^2 + \vec{P}_{A-1}^2}$$
$$z_1^{(A)} = (p_{10} + |\vec{P}_{A-1}| \eta \cos \theta_{\vec{P}_{A-1}\vec{q}})/M$$



## **Future of Nuclear Exploration**

#### Understand the nuclei and bound nucleons

- More measurements of the EMC effect are planned
- Most importantly, new observables are being measured

#### **Polarized structure functions**

- Highlights some important effects
- Complicated because they are diluted in large nucleus

### **Using 3D GPDs and TMDs on nuclei**

 Experimental challenge taken over in the pas few years

R. Dupré and S. Scopetta, Eur.Phys.J. A52 (2016) no.6, 159

#### **Correlating dynamic with PDFs**

- The goal of new tagging measurements
- Detecting nuclear fragments at the same time as the hard scattered electron



## **GPDs & Nuclei**

#### Nuclei give control over the spin

- Spin-0 → 2 GPD
- Spin-1/2  $\rightarrow$  8 GPDs
- Spin-1  $\rightarrow$  18 GPDs
- Half intervene in DVCS

#### In the nucleus two processes

#### - Coherent and incoherent channels

- Similar to elastic and quasi-elastic
- Give a global view and a probe of the components

## A perfect tool to study the EMC effect

- Offer localization with the *t* dependence
- Coherent DVCS gives access to nonnucleonic degrees of freedom
- Incoherent DVCS gives access to the modifications of the nucleon





## **CLAS Coherent DVCS**





#### **Coherent DVCS on helium**

#### - Measured at CLAS

- Use recoil detector to ensure exclusivity
- Shows very strong beam spin asymmetry

#### Interpretation

 Very strong signal proves that we have the nuclei as a whole

#### **Easy direct GPD extraction**

- Helium has a single GPD

## **Extraction of the CFF**

#### **Helium allows for a simple** extraction

- Spin-0  $\rightarrow$  1 GPD/CFF

#### **Different contributions** from *Im* and *Re* in phi

- These are calculable within perturbative QCD
- Allows to separate their contributions



#### Works very well

- We are mostly sensitive at the imaginary part
- More statistics will help with binning and the real part of H



## **CLAS Incoherent DVCS**

#### Measurement of CLAS again

- Proton bound in helium target

#### **Gives a generalized EMC**

- Strongly suppressed in particular in the anti-shadowing region
- Strange behavior compared to the models

#### A New kind of EMC effect?

- It could be a nuclear effect
- Or it could be due to final state interactions
  - Can be very complicated in DVCS

#### Theoretical work still ongoing on these questions



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## **Gluon GPDs**



#### Can we measure the gluon GPDs?

- Possible through the exclusive production of vector mesons
- These are directly produced from the photon

#### If the vector meson is heavy enough

- Strange, or even better charm, composed
- Quark exchange is then highly suppressed
- Lead to a handbag diagram with gluons

#### This works can work for protons and nuclei

- Of special interest in nuclei as we know very little about gluons
- Are gluons subject to some nuclear modifications?



## **Nuclear TMD**

#### Theory only, no experimental data

- But an important prospect
- Similarly to GPDs can offer an insight in nucleon modifications in medium
- Offers a view into the transport coefficient of the nuclear matter
  - A controversial question with variations of an order of magnitude between theoretical extractions from data

#### Asymmetries generated at the partonic level

#### - Independent of final state effects



$$\varDelta_{2F} = \int d\xi_N^- \hat{q}_F(\xi_N)$$

$$\hat{q}_F(\xi_N) = \frac{2\pi^2 \alpha_s}{N_c} \rho_N^A(\xi_N) [x f_g^N(x)]_{x \to 0}$$



## **Tagged Reactions**



#### **Detect the A-1 recoil**

 Gives the initial nucleon kinematic



- Indicates the direction of the nuclear fragments

Allows to control the struck nucleon virtuality

$$v(|\mathbf{p}|, E) = \left(M_A - \sqrt{(M_A - m_N + E)^2 + \mathbf{p}^2}\right)^2 - \mathbf{p}^2 - m_N^2$$

# Allows to control the amount of final state interactions

- Backward and lower momenta are best for reduced FSI

## Tagging to measure the neutron

#### First measurement performed at Jefferson Lab

- Bonus experiment from CLAS
- Use deuterium target to access the neutron structure

# We can observe a nice isolation of neutrons

 Neutron quasi-elastic and resonances are much sharper

#### So the tagging works! What can we do with it?

- Study the neutron structure
- Study nucleon structure as a function of its virtuality





## The EMC effect through tagging

cross Section Slope

## **Projections for JLab**

- No data yet

## Tagging can help differentiate models

 Q<sup>2</sup> and x rescaling give drastically different predictions

# Some models have more trouble

- It is difficult to make a mean field prediction here
- If one wants to probe short range correlated nucleon pairs → Detect A-2 fragments





## **Tagging the Centrality**



### Can we define something similar to centrality in eA scattering ?



- Research in progress to look at nucleon emissions
- Some old data indicate interesting behaviors

## **Research done with the EIC in mind**

- A perfect place to let T. Ullrich take over

## Summary

#### Lepton nucleus scattering

- Helps to learn much about classic nuclear structure
- Opens a new avenue to look at the partons in nuclei

# We understand very little about partons in nuclei at this point

- Nuclear structure in terms of quarks and gluons is a very active research domain
- Understanding the EMC effect is the principal goal
- The EIC will bring the nuclear targets to the nucleon level

### **Beyond the scope of this lecture**

 Lepton nucleus interactions can be used to explore hadronization

A. Accardi et al. Riv.Nuovo Cim. 32 (2010) 439-553

#### - Important for neutrino interactions as well

U. Mosel, Ann.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci. 66 (2016) 171-195