

Probing high x structure of nuclei with EIC

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#motivations:

- Baryon-Quark transition in Cold Nuclear Matter
(Origin of nuclear forces at short distances)

- Origin of the repulsive NN core

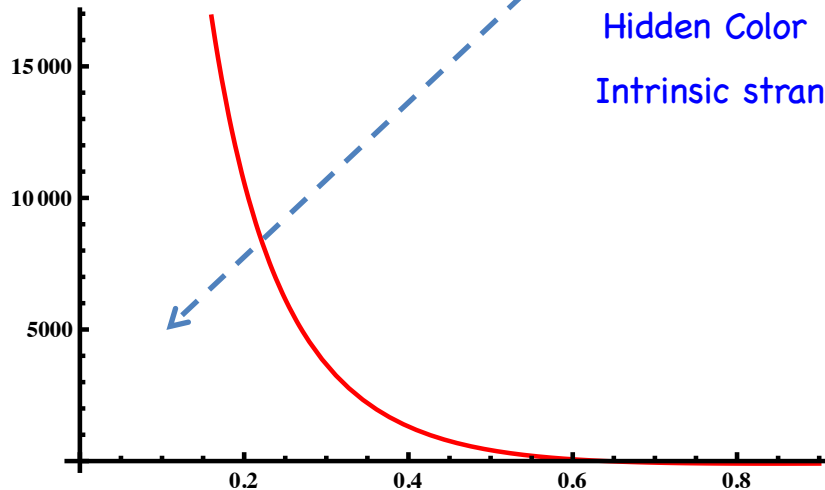
- Color non-singlet/hidden color states

- Gluonic content of NN core

Existence of cold quark-matter

NN potential

V_c , MeV



Perturbative QCD

Hidden Color

Intrinsic strangeness/charm

~80% hidden color

Brodsky, Ji, Lepage, PRL 83

Probing the Deuteron at Short Distances

$$\Psi_d = \Psi_{pn} + \Psi_{\Delta\Delta} + \Psi_{NN^*} + \Psi_{hc} \dots$$

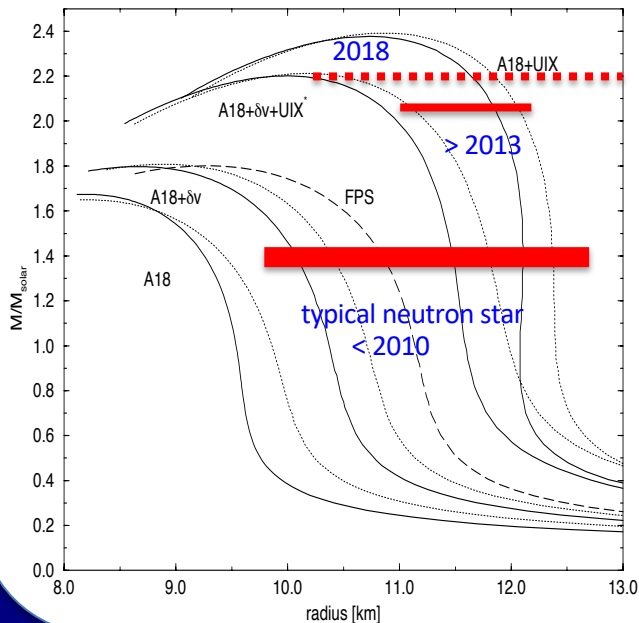
$$\Psi_{hc} = \Psi_{N_c, N_c} \quad \sim 80\%$$

The NN core can be due to the orthogonality of

$$\langle \Psi_{N_c, N_c} | \Psi_{N, N} \rangle = 0$$

“Unreasonable” Persistence of the Nucleons

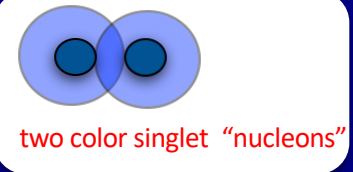
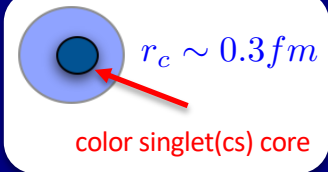
for $3M_{\odot}$ Black Hole $r_{NN} \lesssim 0.4\text{fm}$



Neutron star masses
 > 2 Solar Masses
 > 2010
 $r_{NN} \sim 0.6 - 0.8\text{fm}$

Typical Neutron star masses
 1.4 Solar Masses
 $r_{NN} \sim 0.7 - 1\text{fm}$

H.Heiselberg
 V. Pandharipande
 ARNPS 2000



New Physics



Conceptually: How to probe nuclei at such a short nucleon separations

- probe bound nucleons at large internal momenta $>300\text{MeV}/c$
- needs high energy probe to resolve such nucleons in nuclei
- considering quasielastic $A(e, e')X$, $A(e, e', N_f, N_r)X$ and $A(p, p', N_f, N_r)X$
- several novel observations: *JLab produced 2 Science and 2 Nature papers*

Limitations

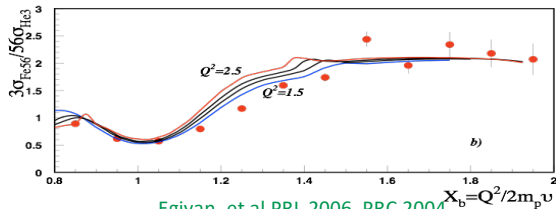
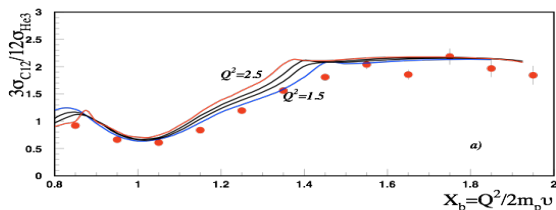
- to probe larger internal momenta larger Q^2 is needed
- nucleon form factors drop $1/Q^8$

1. Locality/Factorization of NN Short Range Correlations in the Nuclear Wave Function

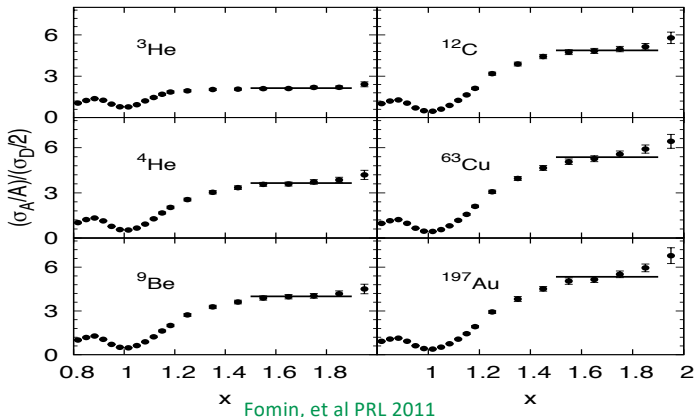
Day, Frankfurt, MS, Strikman, PRC 1993

$$R = \frac{A_2 \sigma[A_1(e, e')X]}{A_1 \sigma[A_2(e, e')X]} A(e, e')$$

For $1 < x < 2$ $R \approx \frac{a_2(A_1)}{a_2(A_2)}$



Egiyan, et al PRL 2006, PRC 2004



Fomin, et al PRL 2011

2. Dominance of the (pn) component of SRC

$$P_{pn/pX} = 0.92^{+0.08}_{-0.18}$$

Theoretical analysis of BNL Data $A(p, 2p)X$ reaction

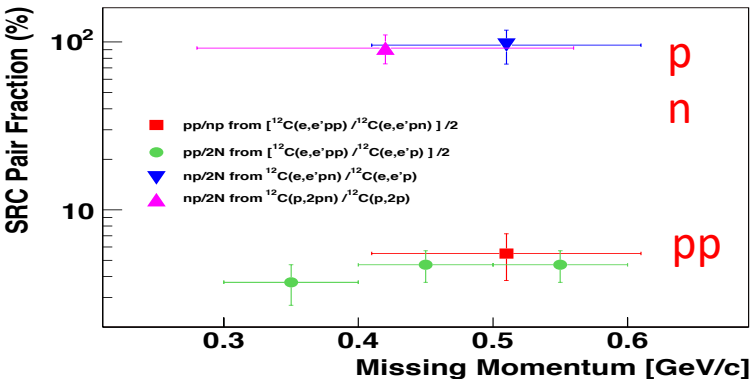
E. Piasezky, MS, L. Frankfurt, M. Strikman, J. Watson PRL, 2006

$$\frac{P_{pp}}{P_{pn}} \leq \frac{1}{2}(1 - P_{pn/pX}) = 0.04^{+0.09}_{-0.04}$$

Direct Measurement at JLab

R. Subedi, et al Science, 2008

$$P_{pp/pn} = 0.056 \pm 0.018$$

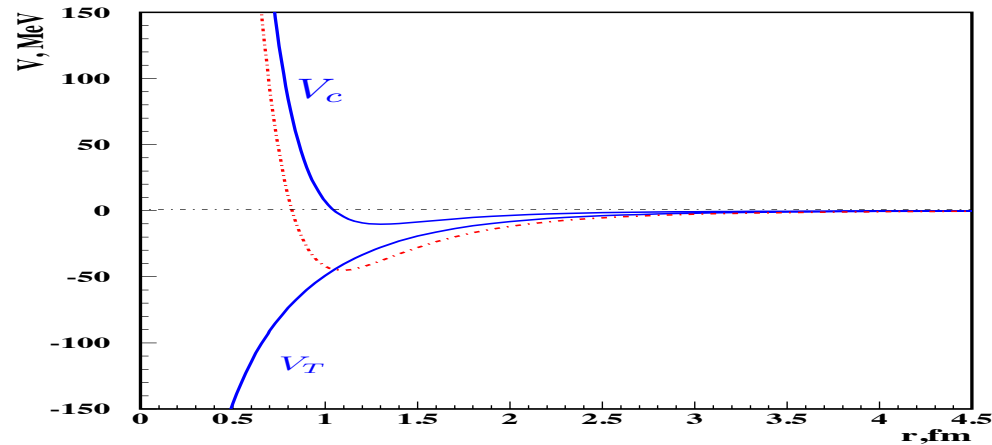


Factor of 20

Expected 4
(Wigner counting)

Theoretical Interpretation

$$\phi_A^{(1)}(k_1, \dots, k_i = p, \dots, k_j \approx -p, \dots, k_A) \sim \frac{V_{NN}(p)}{p^2} f(k_1, \dots, \dots)$$



3. Momentum Sharing of Nucleons in SRC

MS,arXiv:1210.3280 (2012), Phys. Rev. C 2014

Two new properties of high momentum distributions in nuclei was predicted:

- Approximate Scaling Relation:

$$\frac{Z}{A} n_p^A(p) \approx \frac{(A-Z)}{Z} n_n^A(p)$$

- Inverse Fractional Dependence of High Momentum Component

$$n_{p/n}^A(p) \approx \frac{1}{2x_{p/n}} a_2(A, y) \cdot n_d(p)$$

Confirmed

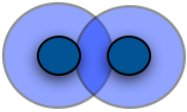
in different theoretical calculations:

R.B. Wiringa et al, Phys. Rev. C 2014

J. Ryckebusch, W. Cosyn M. Vanhalst., J. Phys 2015

experimentally: O. Hen, et.al. Science, 2014, Duer et al, Nature 2018

to summarize...



two color singlet "nucleons"

- Is being currently investigated in quasielastic channel primarily at JLab, JSA, JINR

To probe



- Needs significantly higher Q^2 and quasielastic processes are less effective

- Alternative approach is to explore $x > 1$ in Nuclear Deep Inelastic Processes

Probing SuperFast Quarks in Nuclei

Studies of nuclear partonic distributions at $x > 1$

- $x > 1$ requires a momentum transfer from the nearby nucleon or the quark from the nearby nucleon.
- $x > 1$ “super-fast quarks”

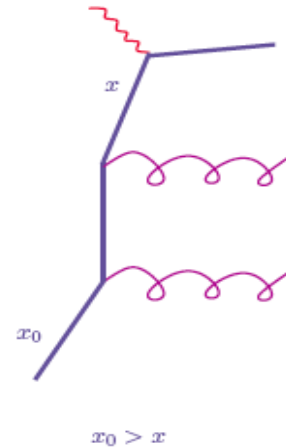
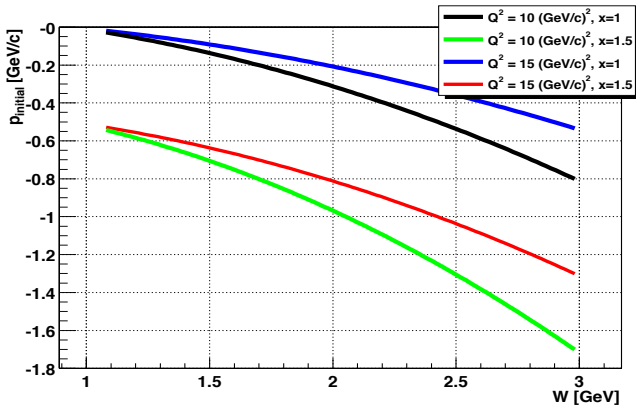
SuperFast quarks – short distance probes in nuclei

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2m_N q_0} > 1$$

Two factors driving nucleons close together

Kinematic $p_{min} \equiv p_z = m_N \left(1 - x - x \left[\frac{W_N^2 - m_N^2}{Q^2} \right] \right)$

Dynamical: QCD evolution



Existing and Planned Inclusive Experiments:

1. BCDMS Collaboration 1994 (CERN): $52 \leq Q^2 \leq 200 \text{ GeV}^2$
2. CCFR Collaboration 2000 (FermiLab): $Q^2 = 120 \text{ GeV}^2$
3. E02-019 Experiment 2010 (JLab) $Q_{AV}^2 = 7.4 \text{ GeV}^2$
4. Approved Experiments at JLab12: $e + A \rightarrow e' + X, Q^2 \geq 10 \text{ GeV}^2$

Alternative Studies:

5. Semi-inclusive 2jet production: $p+A \rightarrow 2 \text{ jets} + X$ Adam Freese, M.S.
M.Strikman, EPJ 2015

6. Electron Ion Collider:

- Inclusive scattering $e + A \rightarrow e' + X$ $x_{Bj} > 1, Q^2 \geq 20 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Single jet/N/h production $e + A \rightarrow e' + \text{jet}/N/h + X, \quad x_h > 1$
- Double jet/N/h production $\gamma + A \rightarrow \text{jet}_f/h_f + \text{jet}_b/h_b + X$

QCD Evolution Equation for Nuclear Partonic Distributions

Adam Freese, Wim Cosyn,
MS, Phys. Rev D 2019

$$\frac{dq_{i,A}(x, Q^2)}{d \log Q^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left\{ 2 \left(1 + \frac{4}{3} \log \left(1 - \frac{x}{A} \right) \right) q_{i,A}(x, Q^2) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{4}{3} \int_{x/A}^1 \frac{dz}{1-z} \left(\frac{1+z^2}{z} q_{i,A} \left(\frac{x}{z}, Q^2 \right) - 2q_{i,A}(x, Q^2) \right) + \int_{x/A}^1 dz \frac{(1-z)^2 + z^2}{2z} G_A \left(\frac{x}{z}, Q^2 \right) \right\}$$

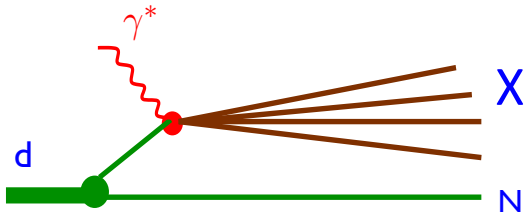
$$F_{2A}(x, Q^2) = \sum_i e_i^2 x q_{i,A}(x, Q^2),$$

$$\frac{dF_{2A}(x, Q^2)}{d \log Q^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left\{ 2 \left(1 + \frac{4}{3} \log \left(1 - \frac{x}{A} \right) \right) F_{2A}(x, Q^2) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{4}{3} \int_{x/A}^1 \frac{dz}{1-z} \left(\frac{1+z^2}{z} F_{2A} \left(\frac{x}{z}, Q^2 \right) - 2F_{2A}(x, Q^2) \right) + \frac{f_Q}{2} \int_{x/A}^1 dz [(1-z)^2 + z^2] \frac{x}{z} G_A \left(\frac{x}{z}, Q^2 \right) \right\}$$

- Dynamics of generation of superfast quarks in nuclei

In inclusive $d(ee')X$ processes

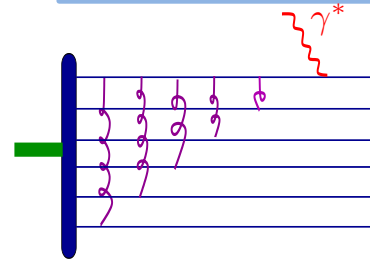
1. Convolution Model



$$F_{2d} = \int_x^2 \rho_d^N(\alpha, p_t) F_{2N}\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}, Q^2\right) \frac{d^2\alpha}{\alpha} d^2p_t$$

$$x_N = \frac{x}{\alpha}$$

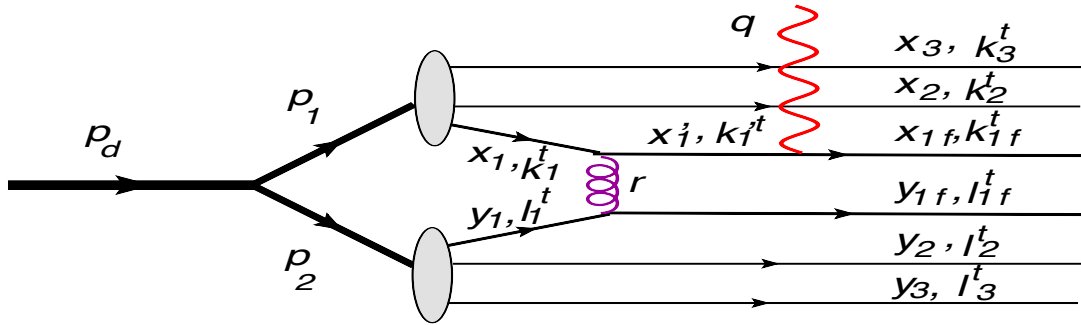
2. Six-Quark Model



$$F_{2D} = F_{2,(6q)} \sim \left(1 - \frac{x}{2}\right)^{10}$$

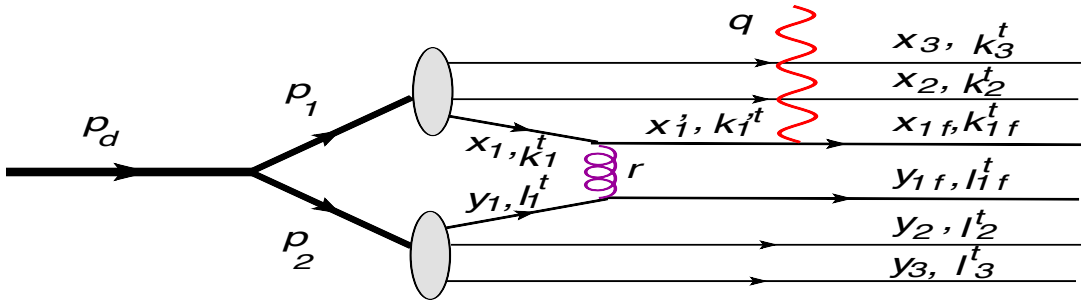
3. Hard Gluon Exchange

MS in progress



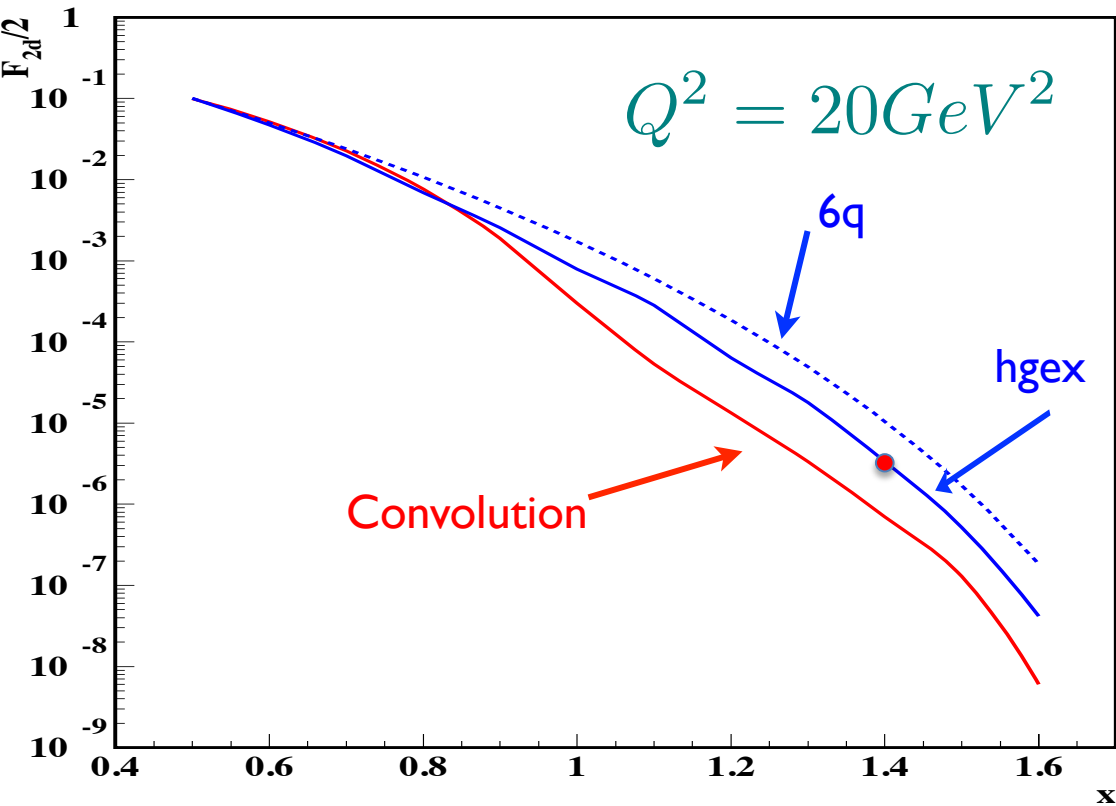
$$A^\sigma = \sum_{h_1, h_2} \int \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} \frac{d^2 p_2}{2(2\pi)^3}$$

$$\left\{ \sum_{\eta_1, \lambda_1} H_{(\eta_{1f}, \eta_1), (\lambda_{1f}, \lambda_1)}^\sigma \frac{\psi_N^{h_1}(k_1, \eta_1; k_2, \eta_2; k_3, \eta_3)}{x_1 \sqrt{2(2\pi)^3}} \frac{\psi_N^{h_2}(l_1, \lambda_1; l_2, \lambda_2; l_3, \lambda_3)}{y_1 \sqrt{2(2\pi)^3}} \right\} \frac{\Psi_d^{h_1, h_2, m_d}(p_1, p_2)}{(1-\alpha) \sqrt{2(2\pi)^3}}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{2d}(x_{Bj}, Q^2) &= \sum_{i,j} x_{Bj} e_i^2 \int dx_1 dy_1 \frac{d^2 l_{1f,t}}{2(2\pi)^3} \frac{8\alpha_{QCD}}{l_{1f,t}^4} f_i(x_1, Q^2) f_j(y_1, l_{1f,t}^2) \times \\
 &\frac{1}{y_1^2} \left[1 - \frac{x_{Bj}}{x_1 + y_1} \right]^2 \Theta(x_1 + y_1 - x_{Bj}) \left[\sum_{h_1, h_2} \int \frac{\Psi_d(\alpha, p_t)}{\alpha(1-\alpha)} \frac{d\alpha}{\sqrt{2(2\pi)^3}} \frac{d^2 p_t}{(2\pi)^2} \right]^2
 \end{aligned}$$

where $x_{Bj} = \frac{Q^2}{2m_{N\nu}}$.

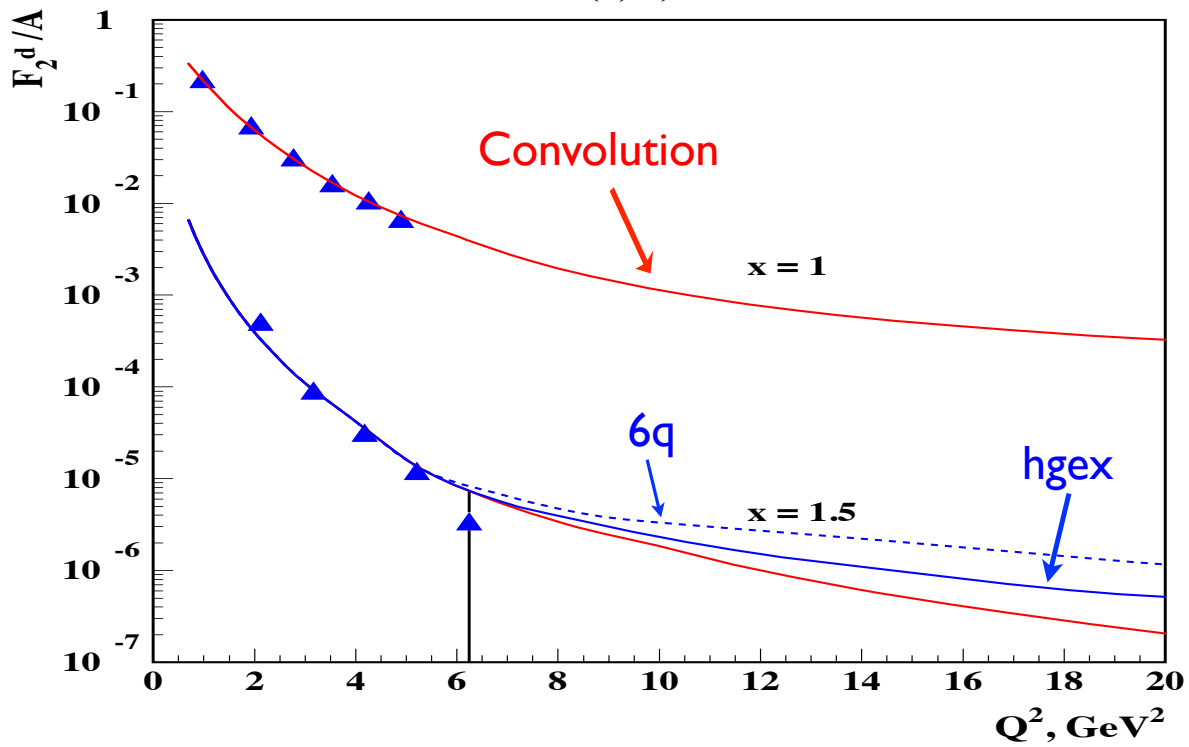


$s = 65 \text{ GeV}$
 $x = 1.4$

rate
 $0.23 - 2.3 \frac{\text{events}}{\text{hour}} \frac{\text{GeV}^2}{dQ^2 dx}$

(M.S & Weiss, in progress)

$d(e, e')X$



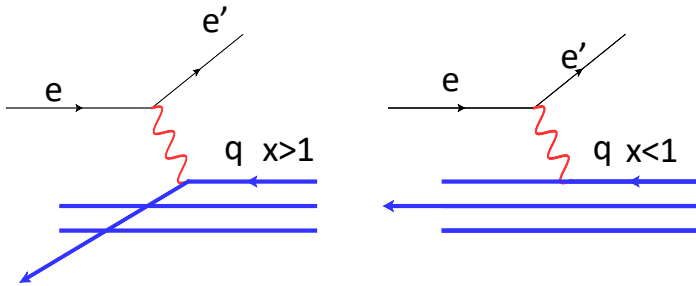
6. Electron Ion Collider:

$$\gamma + A \rightarrow e' + X, \quad x_{Bj} > 1, Q^2 \geq 20 \text{ GeV}^2$$

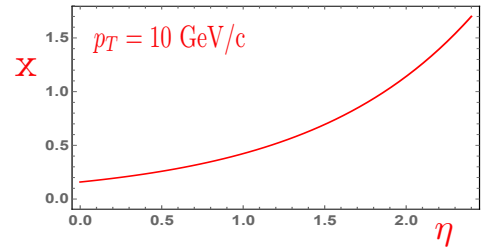
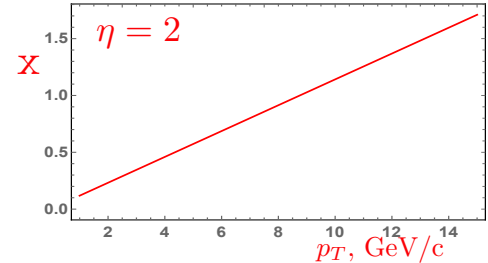
- For A=2 - core physics

- For A>2 - 3N physics

$$e + A \rightarrow e' + \text{jet}/N/h + X,$$

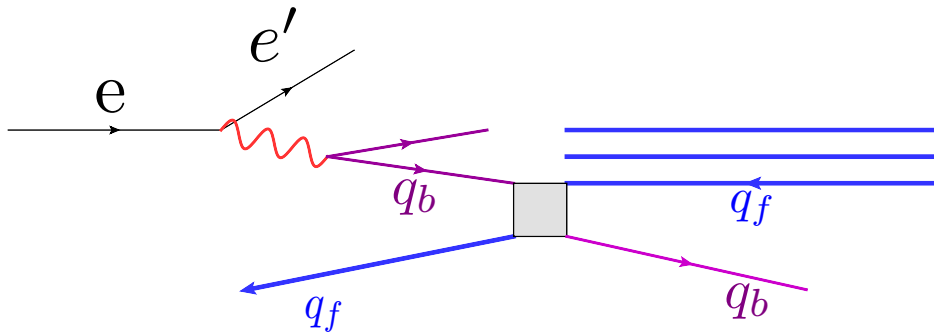


$$x = \frac{p_T}{2E_n} e^\eta + \frac{Q^2}{4E_i E_n}$$



6. Electron Ion Collider:

$$\gamma + A \rightarrow jet_f/h_f + jet_b/h_b + X$$



$$x = \frac{p_T}{2E_n} (e^{\eta_f} + e^{-\eta_b})$$

Summary & Outlook

- Set of reactions such as:
$$e + A \rightarrow e' + X$$
$$e + A \rightarrow e' + jet/N/h + X,$$
$$\gamma + A \rightarrow jet_f/h_f + jet_b/h_b + X$$

Will allow to reach practically unexplored $x > 1$ region

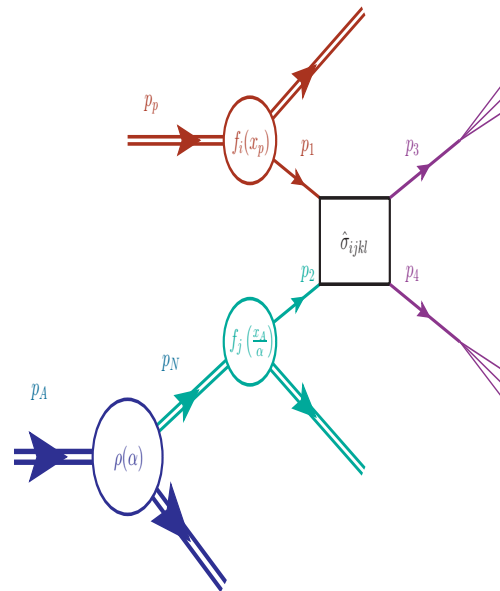
- Cross section in these kinematics is sensitive to the nuclear structure at very short distances: deuteron case for core studies, $A > 2$ case for core vs multinucleon (such as $3N$ SRC) dynamics.

5. Probing Superfast quarks in $p+A \rightarrow 2 \text{ jets} + X$ reaction

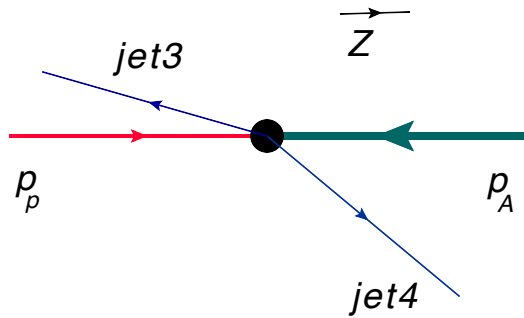
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$$p + A \rightarrow \text{dijet} + X$$

- Reaction is treated in Leading Twist Approximation
- Jets are produced in two-body parton-parton scattering
- one parton from the probe – other from the nucleus
- nuclear parton originated from the bound nucleon

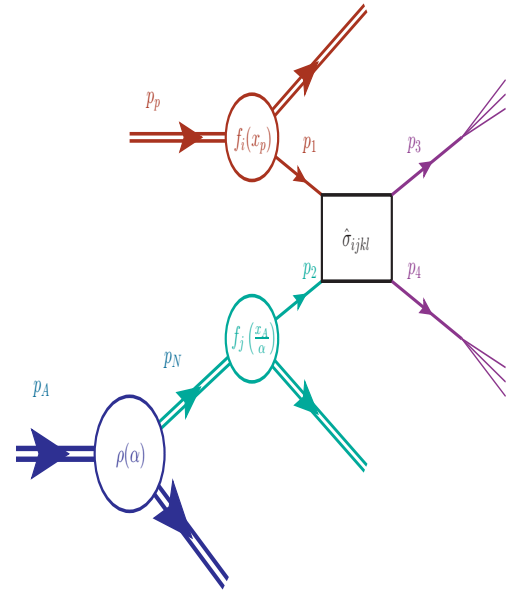


Jet - kinematics

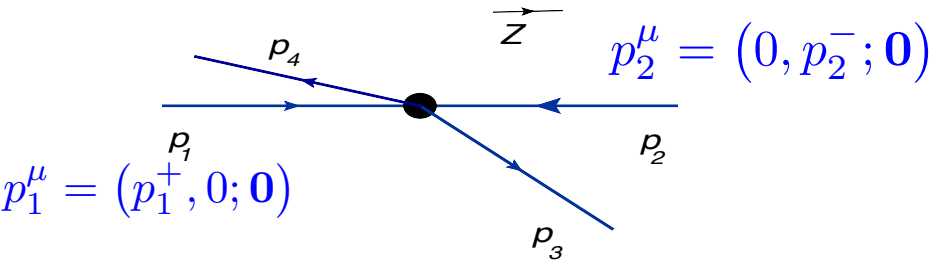


$$p_p^\mu = \left(p_p^+, \frac{m_p^2}{p_p^+}, \mathbf{0}_T \right) = (2E_0, 0, \mathbf{0}_T) = \left(\sqrt{\frac{As_{NN}^{\text{avg.}}}{Z}}, 0, \mathbf{0}_T \right)$$

$$p_A^\mu = \left(\frac{M_A^2}{p_A^-}, p_A^-, \mathbf{0}_T \right) = (0, 2ZE_0, \mathbf{0}_T) = \left(0, \sqrt{AZs_{NN}^{\text{avg.}}}, \mathbf{0}_T \right)$$

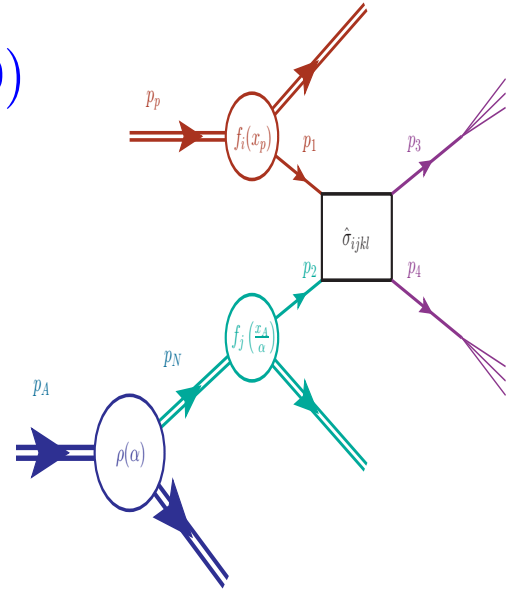


Parton - kinematics



$$x_p = \frac{p_1^+}{p_p^+} = \sqrt{\frac{Z}{A}} \frac{p_1^+}{\sqrt{s_{NN}^{\text{avg.}}}}$$

$$x_A = A \frac{p_2^-}{p_A^-} = \sqrt{\frac{A}{Z}} \frac{p_2^-}{\sqrt{s_{NN}^{\text{avg.}}}}$$



$$p_1^\mu = (p_1^+, 0; \mathbf{0}) \quad x_p = \frac{p_1^+}{p_p^+}$$

$$p_2^\mu = (0, p_2^-; \mathbf{0}) \quad x_A = A \frac{p_2^-}{p_A^-}$$

$$p_1^\mu + p_2^\mu = p_3^\mu + p_4^\mu$$

$$\eta = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{p^+}{p^-} \right)$$

$$x_p = \sqrt{\frac{Z}{A}} \frac{p_T}{\sqrt{s_{NN}^{\text{avg.}}}} (e^{\eta_3} + e^{\eta_4})$$

$$x_A = \sqrt{\frac{A}{Z}} \frac{p_T}{\sqrt{s_{NN}^{\text{avg.}}}} (e^{-\eta_3} + e^{-\eta_4})$$

