# EMC Effect in Lighter Nuclei at 11 GeV

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### Introduction

- DIS measures structure functions F<sub>2</sub>(x)
- Energy scales of probe >> Nuclear binding
  - Expected  $F_2^A(x) \approx ZF_2^p(x) + NF_2^n(x)$
- Nuclear dependence of structure function: EMC Effect
- Quarks in nuclei behave differently than the quarks in free nucleon
- Extensive measurements on heavy targets
- Different kinematic regions understood in terms of different process



### Introduction

Conventional nuclear physics models

- Fermi smearing
- Binding energy
- Nuclear pions

Exotic models

- Multi-quarks clusters ( 6q, 9q) bags
- Dynamical rescaling
- Modification of nucleon structure

Several models. Some only valid in certain Share regions. Some inconsistent with other reactions



#### EMC effect has been with us more than 36 + years yet its origin in still unknown

SLAC E139 studied the nuclear dependence of the EMC effect at fixed x

- SLAC E139
  - Most precise large x-data
  - > Nuclei from A = 4 to 197
- Conclusions from SLAC E139
  - > Q<sup>2</sup>-independent
  - > Universal x-dependence for all A
  - Magnitude varies with A
    - Scales with A ( $\sim A^{1/3}$ )
    - Scales with average density

**Nuclear dependence** is interesting as it helps to provide more information to test models



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#### **Jlab E03-103**

Measured  $\sigma_A/\sigma_D$  for <sup>3</sup>He, <sup>4</sup>He, Be, C

- <sup>3</sup>He, <sup>4</sup>He, C EMC effect scales well with density
- Be does not fit the trend
- <sup>4</sup>He matches better with C data and SLAC parameterizations
- Avg nuclear density of <sup>4</sup>He and C are similar
- Also <sup>9</sup>Be data matches better with C data.
  However avg nuclear density of Be<<C</li>

#### Both A- and ρ-dependent fits fail to describe these light nuclei



# Results from JLab suggest that EMC Effect does not scale with average nuclear density and hints that the effect may be driven by local environment

• One possible explanation could be even though Avg Nuclear density of Be is relatively low most nucleons are in high local densities of alpha cluster





 $^9Be:$  large components of structure is  $2\alpha + n$ 

#### SRC and EMC correlation

If the EMC effect is a local density effect, then it seems reasonable to look for connections to other local density effects

- EMC-SRC connection became more intriguing with the addition ٠ of Be SRC data
  - Both display similar Nuclear dependence on nuclear density

This result provides a quantitative test of level of correlation between the two effects





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### **Overview of the experiment( E12-10-008)** Phase - I

- Ran during spring 2018 concurrently with E12-10-002 (F $_{\rm 2}$ ) as a part of commissioning experiment in HallC
- Measurement of inclusive electron scattering cross section from lighter Nuclei
  - Cryo tragets: H, <sup>2</sup>H
  - Solid targets: Be, C, Al, <sup>10,11</sup>B (Al for cell wall subtraction)
- Single-arm measurement
- Unpolarized electron beam energy 10.6 GeV
- Data were taken at a single ( $Q^2$ ) /angle ( $21^0$ )
  - > Additional data on C were taken at larger angle to investigate detailed Q2-dependence

of the EMC ratios

First Measurement of EMC effect in <sup>10,11</sup>B

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# Detailed Studies of the nuclear dependence of F2 in light nuclei [E12-10-008: J. Arrington, A. Daniel, N. Fomin, D. Gaskell]



- Detector calibration complete
- Extraction of experimental efficiencies complete
- Currently trying to understand the SHMS Acceptance
- Detailed Data/Monte-Carlo comparison is ongoing
- Extraction of EMC ratios are in progress

#### Cross-section extraction by Monte-Carlo Ratio Method

We simulate Monte- Carlo data using a cross-section model to obtain:

$$Y_{MC}(E',\theta) = L * \sigma^{model} * (\Delta E, \Delta \Omega) * A_{MC}(E',\theta)$$

Taking ratio to data and assuming that  $A_{MC} = A$ , yields

$$d\sigma/d\Omega dE' = \sigma^{\text{model}*} [Y(E',\theta)/Y_{MC}(E',\theta)]$$

#### SHMS

### **Analysis Status**

#### Data to MC

- 10.6 GeV beam energy
- <sup>12</sup>C at 2.7 GeV, 21<sup>0</sup>
- Delta, ytar, yptar, xptar
- Integral difference  $\sim 6\%$
- Data Ytar resolution not so well
- Offset in ytar peak (ongoing)







Data to MC

- 10.6 GeV beam energy
- ${}^{12}C$  at 4.0 GeV, 21°
- Delta, ytar, yptar, xptar
- Integral difference  $\sim 2\%$
- Data Ytar resolution not

so well

We took data in HMS and SHMS at same kinematics to cross-check the SHMS 0.2 results as well as for the final<sub>0.1</sub> results we will add data from HMS





HMS

SHMS

#### Cross-section extracted from solid target



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HMS

#### Cross-section extracted from solid target



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HMS

#### Cross-section extracted from cryo- target



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EMC ratio

$$\frac{\sigma_{A}^{\prime}/A}{\sigma_{D}^{\prime}/2}$$
 is plotted vs xbj

- Preliminary EMC ratio
- Carbon shape is roughly as expected
- There appears to be some issue with normalization that is under investigation



#### **Future Work**

- Check more closely for few anomalies
- Work on radiative corrections model for Boron isotopes
- Extract EMC ratio for other targets



- Experiment E12-10-008 will provides a new data on several nuclei
- First EMC measurements on  $^{\rm 10}B$  and  $^{\rm 11}B$
- Preliminary EMC ratio for Carbon was shown
- Final results coming soon

#### Thank you

**Backup Slide** 

Neutron Excess:

$$\left(\frac{\sigma^{A}}{\sigma^{D}}\right) \left/ \left(\frac{\sigma^{A}}{\sigma^{D}}\right)_{is} = \frac{\left(Z + N\frac{F_{2}^{n}}{F_{2}^{p}}\right)}{0.5A\left(1 + \frac{F_{2}^{n}}{F_{2}^{p}}\right)}\right.$$

Currently using SLAC Parameterization:

$$F_2^{n}/F_2^{p} = 1-0.8x$$

