# High-energy nuclear physics with spectator tagging

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• Spectator nucleon tagging

Free neutron structure & spin

Bound nucleon structure, EMC effect

Short-range correlations, non-nucleonic DOF

Coherent phenomena at  $x \ll 0.1$ 

• Future facilities

JLab 12 GeV: Hall A/C, CLAS12 BONuS

EIC: Forward detection, polarized  $\boldsymbol{D}$ 



# Light nuclei: Energy, luminosity, polarization





• Scattering energy

Resolution scale 1/Q

LC fraction x: Type of constituents, target configurations

Luminosity

Exceptional configurations in target Multi-variable final states Polarization observables

- JLab 12 GeV: Fixed-target *eA* **Highest luminosity!** Polarized D, <sup>3</sup>He
- EIC: First eA collider Luminosity  $\sim 1000 \times$  HERA epeRHIC: unpol D, pol <sup>3</sup>He MEIC: polarized D and <sup>3</sup>He

# Light nuclei: Physics objectives







[Nucleus rest frame view]

• Neutron structure

Flavor decomposition of PDFs, asymmetry  $\bar{u} - \bar{d}$ , quark spin  $\Delta u, \Delta d$ , gluon polarization  $\Delta g$ 

How to account for binding, polarization, FSI?

- Nuclear modification of partonic structure
  - x > 0.2 EMC effect
  - $x \ll 0.1$   $\,$  Coherent scattering, shadowing  $\,$

How to control nuclear environment? Instantaneous configuration?

• Short-range correlations

NN interactions, non-nucleonic  $\mathsf{DOF}$ 

How to identify correlations? Isospin structure? Universality?

 $\rightarrow$  Inclusive scattering + theory

 $\rightarrow$  Experimental information on final state!  $\leftarrow$ 

## Light nuclei: Nucleon tagging





Deuteron A = 2: Simplest system, wave function known, limited FSI

Identify active nucleon, control quantum state w. recoil momentum

• Fixed-target experiments

Recoil momentum  $p_R \sim$  10–100 MeV Proton slow, isotropic

• Colliding-beam experiments

 $p_{R\parallel} pprox p_D/2 \sim {\rm few} \ 10 \ {\rm GeV}$  longitudinal  $p_{RT} \sim 10{-}100 \ {\rm MeV}$  transverse

Forward detection technologies

Polarization D beams, longitud/transv

Neutron tagging possible

Uniquely suited, great potential!



#### Neutron structure: Unpolarized





- Inclusive DIS: Nuclear corrections
  - x > 0.5 Binding effects?
  - $x < 0.1 \quad pn \ {\rm difference} \ {\rm only} \ {\rm few} \ \%$
- Proton tagging  $e+D \rightarrow e'+p+X$

Cross section has pole at  $t = M_N^2$ 

Free neutron from on-shell extrapolation in recoil momentum

Model-independent, eliminates FSI Sargsian, Strikman 05. Cf. Chew–Low extrapolation in  $\pi N$ 

• Fixed-target: CLAS BONuS  $\rightarrow T_{kachenko}$ 

Uses recoil momenta  $p_R=$  70–150 MeV, backward angles

Impact on PDF analysis, duality  $\rightarrow$  Melnitchouk

12 GeV extensions

 $\rightarrow$  Dupre, Zhang, Charles

#### Neutron structure: Unpolarized



 MEIC: Precise neutron structure measurements with proton tagging and on-shell extrapolation

 $\rightarrow$  Park

Full coverage down to  $p_{RT} \sim 0$ 

Sufficient momentum resolution: Detector resolution, beam momentum spread

Large x accessible with high luminosity

#### **Neutron structure: Polarized**





• Neutron data needed

Flavor separation  $\Delta u, \Delta d$ 

Singlet vs. nonsinglet  $Q^2$ -evolution: Gluons, higher twist

• Inclusive DIS: <sup>3</sup>He target

JLab 6/12 GeV program  $\rightarrow$  Cates

EIC: Wide coverage

• MEIC: Neutron spin structure w. polarized *D* and proton tagging

On-shell extrapolation of asymmetry

D-wave suppressed at on-shell point

Impact on polarized PDF analysis

Bjorken sum rule:  $\alpha_S$  from  $Q^2$  dependence

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#### Neutron structure: Nuclear theory input

- Deuteron light-front structure for tagging  $\rightarrow$  Miller Covariant description of deuteron  $\rightarrow$  Van Orden
- Polarization effects in tagging  $\rightarrow$   $s_{\text{argsian}}$
- Final-state interaction models for tagging at large and small  $x \rightarrow c_{osyn}$
- Shadowing effects in tagging at small  $x \rightarrow Guzey$
- $^{3}He$  spectral function for inclusive polarized DIS  $\rightarrow$  scopetta
- Nuclear structure from EFT-controled interactions  $\rightarrow$   $_{\text{Pastore}}$

## Nuclear modification: EMC effect





• Modification of quark/gluon structure  $\rightarrow$  Higinbotham Dynamical origin?

What momenta and distances in nuclear wave function cause modification?

Spin-isospin dependence?

• JLab12/EIC: EMC effect in tagged DIS  $\rightarrow$  Schmookler Modification as function of recoil mom

Control size of configurations!

- EIC: New possibilities
  - $Q^2 \ {\rm evolution}$  and gluons

Spin dependence with polarized  $\boldsymbol{D}$ 

#### Nuclear modification: Short-range correlations



- Short-range NN correlations → Strikman
  High-momentum component of nuclear WF
  Universality, spin-isospin dependence
  Short-range NN interaction ↔ QCD
  Non-nucleonic DOF?
- JLab 6/12 GeV program  $\rightarrow$  Weinstein Inclusive: x > 1  $\rightarrow$  Fomin Tagged: (e, e'p), (e, e'NN)
- SRCs in tagged DIS
   Quark/gluon structure of SRC

  EMC effect driven by SRCs? → Higinbotham

#### **Coherent effects, tensor polarization**





Coherence length > NN distance: Quantum-mechanical interference

Inclusive DIS: Shadowing

Tagged DIS: Strong effect on recoil momentum dependence

EIC: Explore coherence in A = 2, quantify approach to saturation

• Tensor polarization  $\rightarrow$  Long

Tensor SF zero on free nucleon, requires interactions or coherence

JLab12 experiments planned

EIC: Tensor polarized D beams, kinematic access to x < 0.1

ightarrow Morozov



## Facilities: JLab 12 GeV



CW beam  $\sim 100\,\mu A$  Accelerator operating since 1994

- CEBAF "race track" accelerator with linacs + arcs, now at 12 GeV
   Uses unique superconducting RF technology Extensible to max. 24 GeV
- Experimental halls and detectors
  - A, C Magnetic spectrometers SHMS upgrade on-going
    - B New large-acceptance detector CLAS12 under construction
    - D  $\gamma$  beam, GlueX detector being commissioned

Additional devices planned: Moller, SOLID

- Broad physics program: Spectroscopy, hadron structure, nuclear physics, electroweak
- Tagging experiments
  CLAS12 + BONUS detector
  Halls A/C

#### Facilities: Electron–Ion Collider





Convergence in design goals Differences in technological challenges • JLab ring-ring design MEIC

11 GeV CEBAF as injector continued fixed-target op Medium-energy: 1 km ring, 3–11 on 60/96 GeV High-energy: 2.5 km ring, 3–11 on 250 GeV Luminosity  $\sim 10^{34}$  cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> over wide energy range Figure-8 for polarization transport, up to four IP's

• BNL linac-ring design eRHIC

RHIC proton/ion beam up to 325 GeV 5–20 (30) GeV electrons from linac in tunnel  $_{\rm staged}$  Luminosity  $\sim 10^{34}(10^{33})$  over wide range Re-use RHIC detectors?  $_{\rm ePHENIX}$ 

• Related proposals

CERN LHeC: 20–150 GeV on 7 TeV ep Ring–ring and linac–ring discussed,  $L\sim 10^{33}$  Mainly particle physics after LHC, but also high–energy QCD

EIC@China project in Lanzhou Design targets similar to JLab MEIC

## **Facilities: Forward detection**



MEIC IR and forward detector



eRHIC IR and forward detector

• Forward detection of protons, neutrons, nuclear fragments

Integrated with IR/optics design: Particles travel through final focusing magnets

Extensive work at eRHIC, MEIC  $\rightarrow$  Parker, Morozov

Experience w. heavy ions at LHC  $$\rightarrow$$  Tapia Takaki

• Tagging requirements

Coverage for forward protons with  $0 < p_{RT} \lesssim 300 \; {\rm MeV}$  and  $\; \Delta p_{R\parallel}/(p_{\rm beam}/2) \lesssim 0.2$ 

Resolution  $\Delta p_{RT} \ll 100 \,\mathrm{MeV}$ and  $\Delta p_{R\parallel}/p_{R\parallel} \ll 10^{-2}$ 

Forward neutron detection with sufficient angular/position resolution

# Summary

- Spectator tagging enables next-generation studies of short-range nuclear structure and QCD
- Tagging program with JLab 12 GeV developing
- Ideally suited for collider, great opportunities with EIC
- Intersection of different fields

QCD and partonic structure Low-energy nuclear structure Detector concepts Accelerator design

• Looking forward to new impulses from this workshop!