

Exploring the Nucleus in 3D with GPDs and TMDs



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The Nucleus Quark Structure

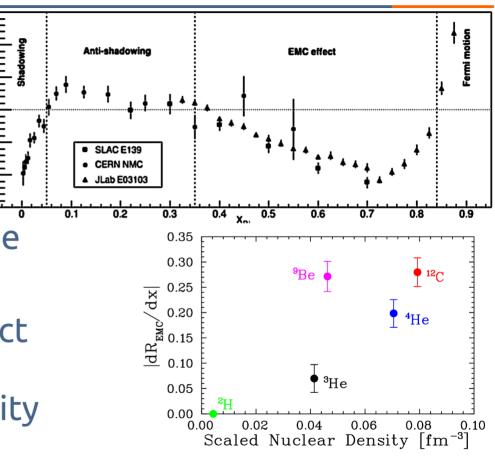
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The nuclear PDFs show many suprises

- Quarks are affected by the nuclear medium
- The EMC effect at large x, the shadowing effect at lower x
- The dependence of this effect appears to have complexe dependence to nuclear density





Measuring Nuclear DVCS

Nuclei give control over the spin

- Spin-0 \rightarrow 2 GPD ; Spin-1/2 \rightarrow 8 GPDs ; Spin-1 \rightarrow 18 GPDs
- Half of these intervene in DVCS

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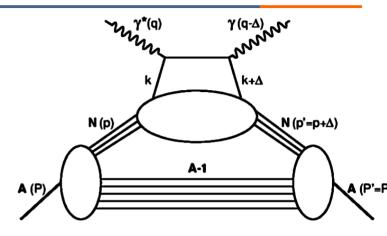
In the nucleus two processes

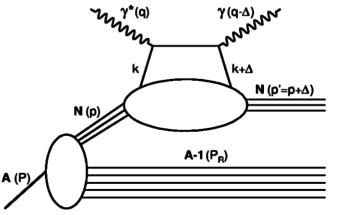
- Coherent and incoherent channels
 - Similar to elastic and guasi-elastic
- Probe the whole nucleus and the bound nucleons

A perfect tool to study the EMC effect

- Coherent DVCS gives access to the full nucleus
 - Including non-nucleonic degrees of freedom
- Incoherent DVCS gives access to the bound nucleon
 - To test modifications of the bound nucleon structure

R. Dupré and S. Scopetta. 3D Structure and Nuclear Targets. Eur. Phys. J., A52(6):159, 2016







HERMES Results

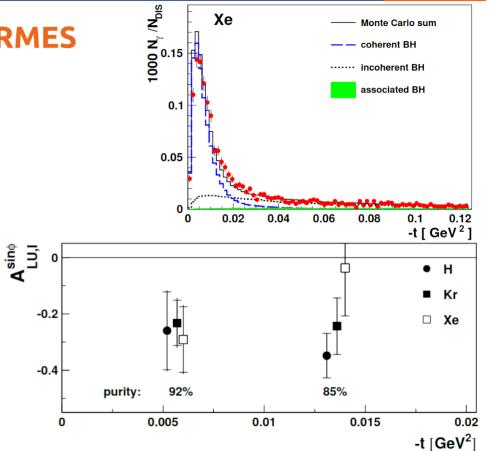
Nuclear DVCS measurement by HERMES

- Charge and beam-spin asymmetries
- No clear nuclear dependence
- In a rather pure coherent sample

This is a problem...

- In the coherent process we expect a significant increase
- Argument about the way coherent and incoherent are separated

Can we measure it directly ?





The CLAS experiment at JLab



Jefferson Laboratory

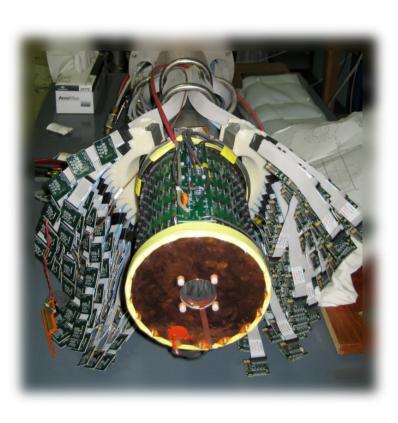
- 6 GeV electron beam (now 12 GeV)
- High stability, 100 % duty factor

The CLAS spectrometer

- 2п acceptance
- Luminosity $\sim 10^{34}$ cm⁻²s⁻¹
- Upgraded for DVCS measurements
 - A Low angle calorimeter for photons
 - A Solenoid to protect it from secondaries



Detecting Recoil Nuclei



Recoil nuclei are evasive

- They usually do not make it out of the target...

How to handle that ?

- Use a light nuclei : Helium
 - It is also spin-0 which is nice for simplicity
- Use a light target : a straw
 - Filled at 5 Atm with 50 µm thick walls
- Get very close to it : Radial TPC
 - 3 cm away from the target

The experiment ran in 2009

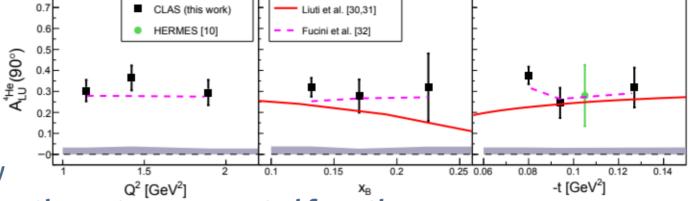


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The Coherent Helium DVCS

Coherent DVCS on helium

- Fully exclusive
- We observed large beam spin asymmetry



About twice the one on the proton, as expected from theory

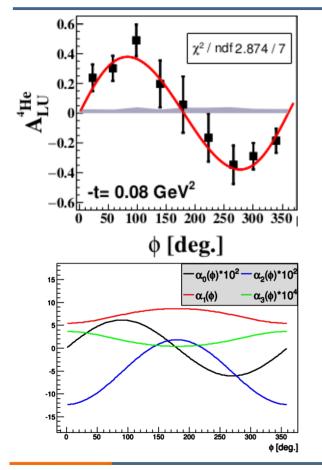
Interpretation of the results

- This strong signal shows we fully isolated coherent DVCS
- The amount of data is too little for advanced interpretation
- But enough to check if we can extract the CFF !

M. Hattawy et al. (CLAS Coll.) Phys. Rev. Lett., 119(20):202004, 2017.



Nuclear CFF Extraction



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The Helium CFF extraction

- Simplified by the spin-0 (1 GPD/CFF) This is done using the different contributions in phi

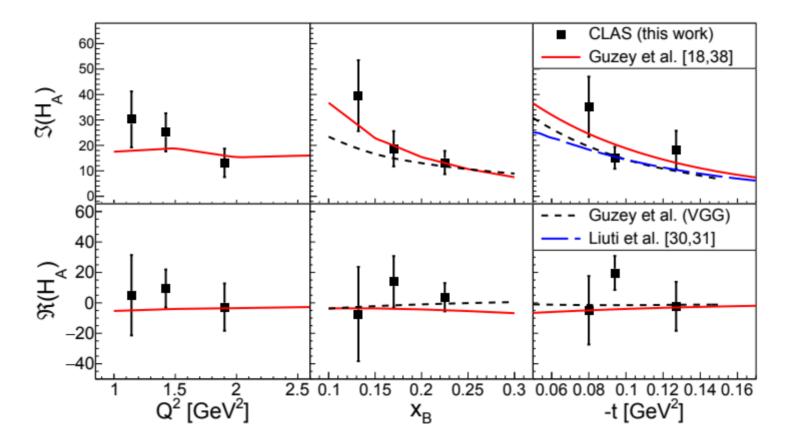
- They are calculable within pQCD

 $A_{LU}(\phi) = \frac{\alpha_0(\phi) \Im m(\mathcal{H}_A)}{\alpha_1(\phi) + \alpha_2(\phi) \Re e(\mathcal{H}_A) + \alpha_3(\phi) \left(\Re e(\mathcal{H}_A)^2 + \Im m(\mathcal{H}_A)^2\right)}$

- The fit converges immediately

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(First) Model independent CFF extraction





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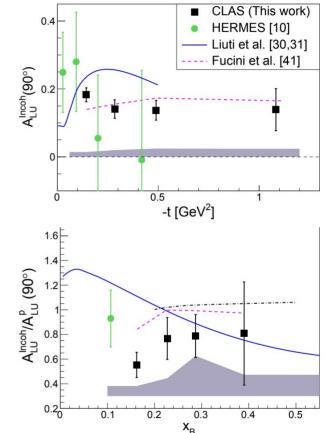
Incoherent Helium DVCS

Gives a "generalized" EMC

- Strongly suppressed in particular for anti-shadowing
- 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 M. Hattawy et al. (CLAS Coll.) Phys. Rev. Lett., 123(3):032502, 2019.

More work is ongoing on these questions

- On the theoretical side for a better description
- On the experimental side with nitrogen data





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The ALERT Detector

A Low Energy Recoil Tracker

- Hyperbolic drift chamber
- Time-of-Flight array

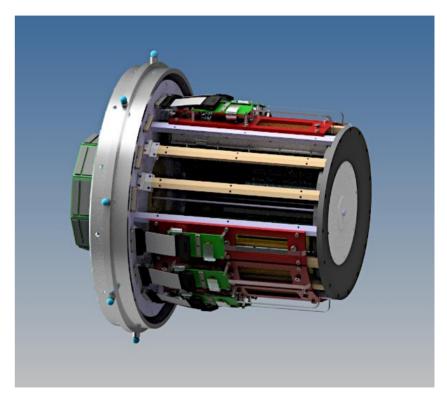
It will be used for a large array of experiments

- Nuclear DVCS, DVMP...
- Tagged processes (detailed later)

Collaborative effort within CLAS12

- ANL, IJCLab, JLab, NMSU, and Temple
- We tested a prototype with a nuclear beam in the Fall at the ALTO facility (Orsay, France)

We hope to take data in 2023 or 2024





What results do we expect ?

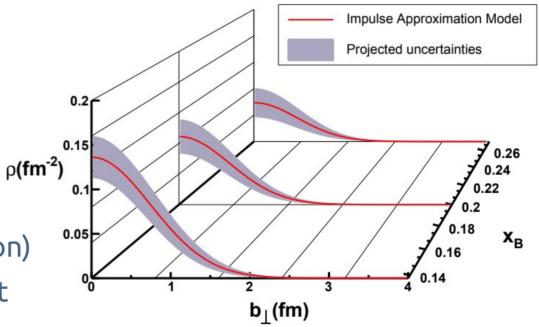
Tomography of a nucleus

- A view into the nucleus in three dimensions
- Using the wider phase space and larger statistics

Extension to the gluons

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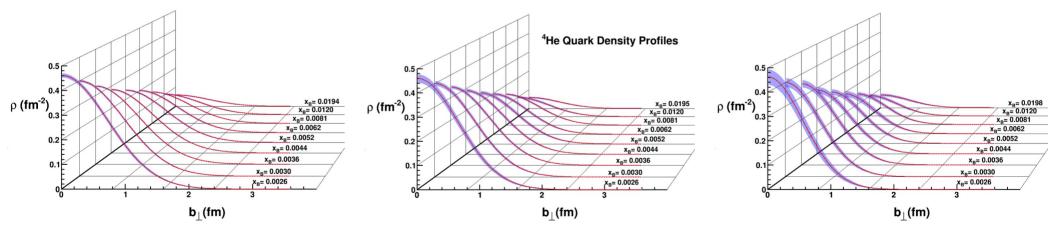
- We will measure DVMP (Phi meson)
- We hope to obtain a similar result for gluon tomography



EIC Projections

We expect very nice results from the EIC

- The key detector for this is the Roman pot
- Detecting the nuclear recoil very close to the beam line
- Here we show profile extractions
 - For transverse momentum thresholds of 0.1 (left), 0.2 (center) and 0.3 GeV (right)





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A Word About Nuclear TMDs

We will soon measure the nuclear TMDs

- Project in Jlab with CLAS12

Only a bit of theory exists

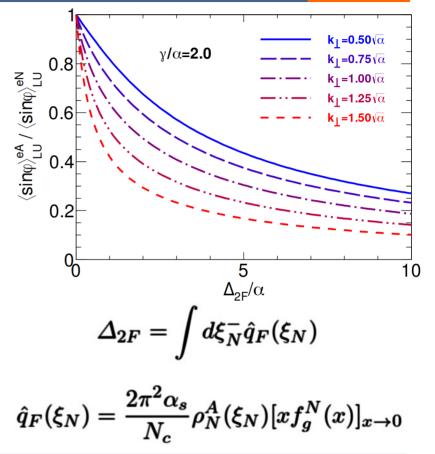
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- Predicting large modification of asymmetries
- Linked to the transport coefficient of the medium

Z.-T. Liang, X.-N. Wang, and J. Zhou, Phys. Rev. D77, 125010, 2008. J.-H. Gao, Z.-t. Liang, and X.-N. Wang, Phys. Rev. C81, 065211, 2010. Y.-K. Song, J.-h. Gao, Z.-t. Liang, and X.-N. Wang, Phys.Rev. D89, 014005, 2014.

Caveats

- These models lack full nuclear fragmentation
- We need phenomenology to make sure we will have the resolution in actual experiment





Can we understand nuclear TMDs ?

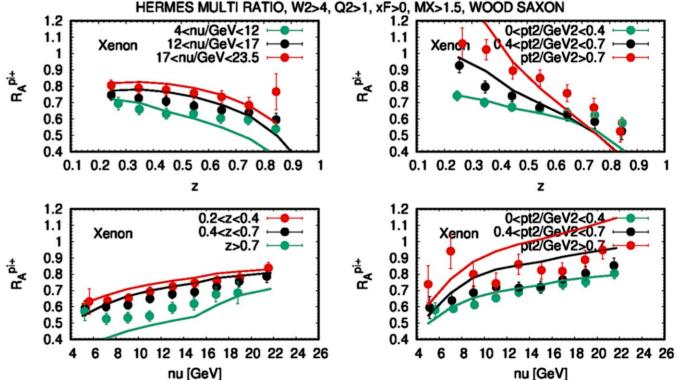
We are working on phenomenological model

- Using TMD parametrization for the nucleons
- And applying nuclear effects

Work done with F. Ceccopieri

We hope to have results soon !

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Summary

We do not understand the nucleus well within QCD

- Either we do not understand the mechanisms at play
- Or we lack a quantitative calculation to demonstrate it

There is hope in nuclear GPDs

- We measured coherent and incoherent nuclear DVCS
 - Confirming some of our understanding and raising new questions at once
- More measurements are coming to reach high precision

New data is coming soon to help

- Nuclear SIDIS is an important one
- But, we need to be ready to interpret it !

