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Modification of Quark-Gluon Distributions in Nuclei by Correlated Nucleons Pairs

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Analyzing data from nuclear lepton Deep-Inelastic Scattering, Drell-Yan processes, and W and Z boson production, we show that factorizing nuclear structure into quasi-free nucleons and universally modified closeproximity Short Range Correlated (SRC) nucleon pairs allows us to fully describe the quark-gluon structure of nuclei down to very-low momentum fractions. This is the first combined extraction of the universal distribution of quarks and gluons inside SRC pairs, and the nucleus-specific fraction of nucleons in SRC pairs. The extracted SRC fractions are in good agreement with previous nuclear structure calculations and measurements. This extraction of nuclear structure information from quark-gluon distributions thus represents a significant development toward understanding the structure of nuclei in terms of their fundamental quarkgluon constituents. At the same time such obtained nuclear PDFs are in very good agreement with fits using conventional framework of global nuclear PDF analysis.

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