Color fields at medium energy: color transparency, nuclear shadowing and diffraction

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Outline:

• High-energy scattering in the target rest frame: cross section (color) fluctuations, color transparency, and nuclear shadowing

• Nuclear shadowing in the leading twist approach: predictions for inclusive, diffractive and exclusive processes

- Gluon shadowing: exclusive J/ψ photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs at the LHC; EIC potential
- Conclusions

High-energy scattering in target rest frame

- Soft hadron-hadron scattering: a fast projectile (pion, proton, photon) fluctuates into configurations with different cross sections.
- The lifetime of these fluctuations can be larger than the target size:

$$l_c = \frac{1}{\Delta E} = \left(\sqrt{M^{*2} + p_{\text{lab}}^2} - \sqrt{m^2 + p_{\text{lab}}^2}\right)^{-1} = \frac{2p_{\text{lab}}}{M^{*2} - m^2} > 2R_T$$

• This leads to the concept of cross section fluctuations:

Frankfurt, Miller, Strikman (1994) Blattel et al. (1993, 1996)

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{k} c_{k} |\Psi_{k}\rangle$$
$$\Im m T |\Psi_{k}\rangle = \sigma_{k} |\Psi_{k}\rangle$$
$$P(\sigma) = \sum_{k} |c_{k}|^{2} \delta(\sigma - \sigma_{k})$$

distribution over σ

- Cross section fluctuations lead to:
 - diffractive dissociation of beam particles
 - Glauber shadowing correction



High-energy scattering in target rest frame (2)

- DIS: a fast virtual photon fluctuates into quark-gluon configurations (dipoles) $|\gamma^*(Q^2)\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle + |q\bar{q}g\rangle \dots$ with the lifetime $l_c = \frac{1}{\Delta E} = \frac{2q}{\langle M_W^2 \rangle + Q^2} \approx \frac{1}{2m_N x}$
- These dipoles can be roughly of two types:
 - asymmetric in photons's momentum sharing (pre-QCD align jet model): Bjorken (1971) large transverse size $d_t^2 \approx 1/[Q^2 z(1-z)]$ and small probability ~1/Q²

- symmetric in photons's momentum sharing (pQCD) \rightarrow small transverse size and small cross section:

$$\sigma(d_t, x) = \frac{\pi^2}{3} \alpha_s(Q_{\text{eff}}^2) d_t^2 x G(x, Q_{\text{eff}}^2)$$

$$Q_{\text{eff}}^2 = \lambda/d_t^2$$
F. Low (1975)
Nikolaev, Zakharov (1991)
Blattel et al. (1993)

- The presence of small-size weakly interacting dipoles is an example of color transparency (CT).
- In DIS, CT is needed for scaling of the total cross section.

Color transparency

• CT is a dynamical QCD phenomenon of absence of initial/final state interactions of small-size quark-gluon configurations.

• CT has been observed experimentally (Fermilab, HERA, BNL, JLab) and will be studied in the future (JLab12, COMPASS, FAIR). Dutta, Hafidi, Strikman (2012)

- CT plays multiple roles:
 - probes dynamics and space-time evolution of the strong interaction
 - probes the minimal Fock components of hadrons
 - used in proofs of factorization for exclusive processes



Brodsky et al. (1994) Collins, Frankfurt, Strikman (1997)

Tests of CT is a crucial element of studies of 3D structure at EIC.

Color transparency and nuclear shadowing

• Factorization theorem for high-energy exclusive meson production (CT) for nuclear targets probes nuclear GPDs modified by nuclear shadowing:

$$\sigma_{\gamma A \to VA} = \frac{d\sigma_{\gamma N \to VN}(t_{\min})}{dt} \left[\frac{G_A(x_1, x_2, Q_{\text{eff}}^2, t = 0)}{AG_N(x_1, x_2, Q_{\text{eff}}^2, t = 0)} \right]^2 \int_{\infty}^{t_{\min}} dt |F_A(t)|^2 x_1 - x_2 = x = M_V^2 / W_{\gamma p}^2$$

• Good approx.:
$$\frac{G_A(x_1, x_2, Q_{\text{eff}}^2, t = 0)}{AG_N(x_1, x_2, Q_{\text{eff}}^2, t = 0)} \approx R_g \frac{G_A(x, Q_{\text{eff}}^2)}{AG_N(x, Q_{\text{eff}}^2)}$$

• The gluon distribution in nuclei at small x is suppressed -- nuclear shadowing



$$R=f_{i/A}(x,Q^2)/[Af_{i/N}(x,Q^2)]$$

see talk by H. Paukkunen

- Nuclear PDFs have large uncertainties:
 - limited kinematics
 - indirect extraction of gluons via Q² evolution
 - assumptions about the initial shape
 - different choice/treatment of data used in fits

→ determination of nuclear PDFs and discrimination between different approaches to small-x parton dynamics is one of key goals of EIC

Connection of shadowing and diffraction

- At high energies, incoming hadron interact with all nucleons of the target via its fluctuations with $l_c \propto p_{\rm beam} \propto 1/x$
- Pion-deuteron forward amplitude:



impulse approximation

shadowing correction

• The second graph gives the shadowing correction expressed in terms of the elem. pion-nucleon diffractive cross section \rightarrow Gribov-Glauber theory of nuclear shadowing

$$\sigma_{\rm tot}^{\pi D} = 2\sigma_{\rm tot}^{\pi N} - 2\left(\frac{d\sigma_{\rm diff}}{dt}\right)_{t=0} \int dt S(t) = 2\sigma_{\rm tot}^{\pi N} - \frac{1}{8\pi} \langle \sigma^2 \rangle \int dt S(t) \qquad \text{V. Gribov (1969)}$$

deuteron form factor

moment of $P(\sigma)$ from slide 3

• When generalized to hard processes with nuclei, Gribov's theory leads to leading twist shadowing.

Compare to the picture of successive interactions leading to higher twist shadowing \rightarrow



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Feinberg, Pomeranchuk (1956) Gribov, Ioffe, Pomeranchuk (1965) Good, Walker (1960)

Leading twist theory of nuclear shadowing

A method to evaluate parton (sea quark and gluon) distributions in nuclei for small x as a function of x and impact parameter b at certain input scale Q₀. Further Q² dependence given by DGLAP.

The approach is based on:

L. Frankfurt, VG, M. Strikman, Phys. Rept. 512 (2012) 255

- The picture of the strong interactions at high energies in the laboratory frame, Gribov-Glauber shadowing theory and its extension to eA DIS → expression for F_{2A}(x,Q²)
- Collinear factorization for total and diffractive DIS cross sections → from F_{2A}(x,Q²) to individual nuclear parton distributions f_{i/A}(x,Q²)
- Diffractive parton distributions in the proton (HERA) \rightarrow input for predictions

Terminology "leading twist":

Shadowing is expressed via elementary diffraction \rightarrow diffraction is a leadingtwist phenomenon (HERA) \rightarrow the approach describes *the leading twist component of nuclear shadowing* (modulo modeling of N >2 contribution)

Leading twist theory of nuclear shadowing (2)





 Two curves correspond to uncertainty due to multiple scatterings → can be reduced by varying A

• Antishadowing is modeled using momentum sum rule

• Gluon shadowing > quark shadowing \rightarrow large shadowing for F₁^A(x,Q²)

EIC and LHeC are ideal places to test these predictions!

Comparison to the results of global fits



EPS09 = Eskola, Puukkunen, Salgado, JHEP 04 (2009) 065 HKN07 = Hirai, Kumano, Nakano, PRC 76(2007) 065207

- For quarks: shadowing is similar
- For gluons: our shadowing is the largest at Q²=4 GeV²



Dependence on the impact parameter

• The leading twist theory of nuclear shadowing *naturally* predicts the dependence of nuclear PDFs on the impact parameter *b*:

$$xf_{j/A}(x,Q_0^2,b) = A T_A(b) \overline{xf_{j/N}(x,Q_0^2) - \pi A(A-1)} B_{\text{diff}} \Re e \frac{(1-i\eta)^2}{1+\eta^2} \int_x^{0.1} dx_P \beta f_j^{D(3)}(\beta,Q_0^2,x_P) \\ \times \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz_1 \int_{z_1}^{\infty} dz_2 \,\rho_A(\vec{b},z_1) \rho_A(\vec{b},z_2) \, e^{i(z_1-z_2)x_P m_N} e^{-\frac{A}{2}(1-i\eta)\sigma_{\text{soft}}^j(x,Q_0^2) \int_{z_1}^{z_2} dz' \rho_A(\vec{b},z')}$$

Probability to find a parton with given x and b





nuclear density

- Until recently, unique feature of our approach → spatial image of shadowing
- Recent global QCD fit analysis finds similar results, I. Helenus et al, ArXiv:1205.5359
- Impact-parameter dependent PDFs=nuclear GPDs in the special limit of xi=0 → essential ingredient for calculation of hard exclusive processes with nuclei (DVCS, electroproduction of VM, etc.)!



• The shift is the measure of nuclear shadowing for sea quarks which increases the size of the transverse distribution of quarks in nuclei <b2>.

• Similar shape for the gluon channel (coherent electroproduction of J/y)



Pb-208 $x=10^{-3}$ Proticions for DV CS observables (2)

- And the extract separately the imaginary and real parts of the DVCS amplitude through interference with the BL amplitude.
- Beam-spin asymmetry, polarized lepton beam, unpolarized target

$$A_{\rm LU}(\phi) = \frac{\overrightarrow{\sigma} - \overleftarrow{\sigma}}{\overrightarrow{\sigma} + \overleftarrow{\sigma}} \propto \sin \phi \frac{H_A(\xi, \xi, t)}{F_A(t)}$$





The oscillations are due to nuclear shadowing.



Predictions are similar in shape and for some cases in magnitude \rightarrow not the best diffractive observable to distinguish between non-saturation and saturation!

Ultraperipheral pp, pA and AA collisions at the LHC

In pp, pA and AA collisions, nuclei can scatter at large impact parameters $b > R_A + R_B$ — ultraperipheral collisions (UPCs).



A. Baltz et al., The Physics of Ultraperipheral Collisions at the LHC, Phys. Rept. 480 (2008) 1

Ultraperipheral pp, pA and AA collisions at the LHC (2)

Hard real photon-nucleus processes can be used to study various gluon distributions in nuclei:



Inclusive photoproduction of jets (large pT or HQ jets): usual gluon distribution.

Diffractive photoproduction of jets (large pT or HQ jets): diffractive gluon distribution.

Exclusive VM production: generalized gluon distribution (impact parameter dependent)

Before EIC и LHeC (and analysis of pA data at the LHC) UPCs is the only place where the nuclear gluon distribution can be constrained in the near future.

Exclusive J/w photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs at LHC

The recent ALICE measurement of exclusive J/ψ photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs gives a *first direct evidence* of large gluon shadowing at x=10⁻³.

VG, E. Kryshen, M. Strikman, M. Zhalov, PLB (2013)

• Using the experimental $d\sigma_{PbPb \rightarrow PbPbJ/\psi}/dy$ and calculated $N_{\gamma/A}(y)$, we obtain:

E. Abbas *et al.* [ALICE Collaboration], arXiv:1305.1467 B.Abelev *et al.* [ALICE Collaboration], arXiv:1209.3715

$$\sigma_{\gamma Pb \to J/\psi Pb}(W_{\gamma p} = 92.4 \,\text{GeV}) = 17.6^{+2.7}_{-2.0} \,\mu\text{b} \,,$$

$$\sigma_{\gamma Pb \to J/\psi Pb}(W_{\gamma p} = 19.6 \,\text{GeV}) = 6.1^{+1.8}_{-2.0} \,\mu\text{b} \,.$$

• These values can be converted into the nuclear suppression factor S:

$$S(W_{\gamma p}) \equiv \left[\frac{\sigma_{\gamma Pb \to J/\psi Pb}^{\exp}(W_{\gamma p})}{\sigma_{\gamma Pb \to J/\psi Pb}^{\mathrm{IA}}(W_{\gamma p})}\right]^{1/2}$$

Exclusive J/w photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs at LHC (2)

• The denominator is the $\gamma Pb \rightarrow J/\psi Pb$ cross section in the impulse approximation:



• Model-independent determination of S:

VG, E. Kryshen, M. Strikman, M. Zhalov, PLB (2013)

$$S(W_{\gamma p} = 92.4 \,\text{GeV}) = 0.61^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$$

 $S(W_{\gamma p} = 19.6 \,\text{GeV}) = 0.74^{+0.11}_{-0.12}$

• Modulo fine details, S is equal to the suppression due to the nuclear gluon shadowing.

Exclusive J/w photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs at LHC (3)

• Large gluon shadowing in the leading twist approach agrees with large suppression factor S:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\gamma A \to J/\psi A}(W_{\gamma p}, t = 0)}{dt} = C(\mu^2) \left[xG_A(x, \mu^2) \right]^2 \to S(W) = \frac{G_A(x, Q^2)}{AG_N(x, Q^2)}$$
M. Ryskin (1993); S. Brodsky et al (1994)
$$\int_{0}^{\Omega} \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0.9 \\ 0.9 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]_{0^4} \left[\begin{array}{c} 1.1 \\ 0.9 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]_{0^4} \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]_{0^4} \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]_{0^4} \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]_{0^4} \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]_{0^4} \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]_{0^4} \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.7$$

• StarLight MC and dipole model overestimate S:



$$\sigma_{VA}(W_{\gamma p}) = 2 \int d^2 \vec{b} \left[1 - \exp\left\{ -\frac{\sigma(W_{\gamma p})}{2} T_A(\vec{b}) \right\} \right]$$

Similar conclusion in: T. Lappi and H. Mäntysaari, arXiv:1301.4095

Nuclear gluon distribution at EIC

- Main goals:
 - determine gluon distributions in nuclei as a function of x and b
 - onset of high density regime
- Methods:
 - wide kinematic x-Q² coverage
 - measurement of $F_L(x,Q^2)$ и $F_2^c(x,Q^2)$
 - measurement of jets



A. Accardi *et al.*, "Electron-Ion Collider: The Next QCD Frontier", arXiv: 1212.1701





Conclusions

• The picture of high-energy scattering in the target rest frame allows for intuitive explanations of such phenomena as color transparency, inelastic diffraction and nuclear shadowing.

• The phenomenon of nuclear shadowing in the sea quark and gluon parton distributions plays major role in various reactions (inclusive, diffractive, exclusive) to be studied in collider kinematics at EIC.

• The leading twist theory of nuclear shadowing makes definite predictions for various (usual, diffractive, impact parameter dependent) nuclear PDFs and predicts large gluon shadowing.

• The first direct evidence of large nuclear gluon shadowing can be deduced from the recent ALICE measurement of exclusive J/ψ photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs.