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Workshop: RHIC Science Programs Informative Toward EIC in the Coming Years CFNS 5/26/2021

# WORKSHOP GOALS

- be leveraged toward the EIC in the remaining years of RHIC operation.
  - **Gluon momentum density**

  - **Properties of nuclei**
  - **Collectivity in UPCs what to expect at EIC**
  - **Entanglement what can RHIC contribute?**

# Our goal is to identify and write up a summary of the RHIC science programs that can

Spatial gluon distribution: Coherent and incoherent diffractive VM production

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**RHIC's versatility helps here** 



## Inclusive direct photon measurement with STAR forward upgrade

### RHIC Cold QCD Plan, arxiv:1602.03922



2024 pAu with STAR forward upgrade + 2015 pAu:

- $_{R_{pAu}^{\gamma}}$  of direct photons from q+g $\rightarrow$ q+ $_{\gamma}$ : sensitive to gluon from Au
- Direct photon: free from the final state effects

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After adding direct photon R<sub>pA</sub> data in 2015 and future 2024.

Higher delivered integrated luminosity data: significantly improve the constrain on gluon distributions Challenge: remove photons from fragmentation or hadron decay; small cross section at forward rapidity

### Xiaoxuan Chu

## Di-jet correlations with STAR forward upgrade



- STAR forward upgrade includes EMCal + HCal + tracking:
  - Expand observables to di-charged hadron, di-jet and  $\gamma$ -hadron/jet than di- $\pi^0$ lacksquare
  - Can probe similar saturation region as highest energy of eA collisions at EIC
  - Better resolution to improve the measurement of broadening
- Di-jet correlations with STAR forward upgrade:
  - lacksquare
  - Final-state parton shower and fragmentation would be suppressed by jets
  - However, jet has lower  $p_T$  limit, cannot probe as small  $p_T$  as hadron



Away side peak is smeared by  $k_{T}$ , initial/final-state parton shower and fragmentation apart from gluon saturation

Jet matches parton better than leading hadron, can construct initial kinematics more accurately than hadron

# VECTOR MESON PRODUCTION

### Diffractive pattern in coherent cross section is sensitive to spatial structure



Saturation describes shadowing. How do the leading twist nuclear shadowing model and saturation models (and CGC) compare? What are the differences between the models, what is equivalent?

### VM productions off heavy nucleus

Differential cross section -t  $\rightarrow$  spatial distributions

### **Open questions:**

- Initial-state photon smearing (lessons learned from photonphoton physics?)
- Diffractive pattern  $\rightarrow b_{T}$ •
- Veto on nuclear breakups protons, neutrons, photons. (bottleneck – beam pipe, photons, etc...)
- Forward detections are absolutely critical

# **VECTOR MESON PRODUCTION - ANISOTROPIES**

## Separating coherent vs. incoherent spectra experimentally would be great Could be possible with anisotropy from two-source interference, which only appears in

# coherent case

### Use interference to separate Coherent/Incoherent

- Experimentally, we observe that incoherent does not contribute to interference pattern (Zero above pT > 160 MeV/c)
- Once quantitative agreement is reached between data & theory for  $\Delta \phi$  $\rightarrow$  Use interference effect to help disentangle coherent vs. incoherent
- Simultaneous fit measured spectra (coherent + incoherent) with  $\cos 2\Delta \phi$



• Proof of concept already carried out in [1], however STAR t spectra had incoherent pre-subtracted using a dipole form factor.

[1] Xing, H et.al. J. High Energ. Phys. 2020, 64 (2020).

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### Medium effects in non-UPCs?

Separation of coherent vs. incoherent is the essential experimental challenge for **EIC** measurements





**Can we do these measurements** in p+Au or d+Au?

**Probably no interference** as basically just one source



- correlations exist and if so, what can we learn?
- gluon distribution?



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# UPGULE PRUUGIUN

- **Exclusive dijet azimuthal correlations**
- **Dijet anisotropy in**  $P = \frac{1}{2}(p_0 p_1)$ ,  $oldsymbol{\Delta} = oldsymbol{p}_0 + oldsymbol{p}_1 \, ,$

is sensitive to the spatial and momentum correlations of gluons

Second Fourier harmonic  $\langle \cos (2\phi) \rangle$  in exclusive dijet photoproduction is expected to provide insights into "elliptic gluon" dynamics - non-trivial angular correlations of the gluon Wigner distribution in the nucleus, that depend on impact parameter and gluon transverse momentum

CGC calculation limited to small  $p_T$  in order not to go to too large x ---- 0.4 fm —— 0.6 fm 0.2 fm



in the gluon Husimi distribution

v<sub>2</sub> [%]





UPC in sPHENIX?

# ANSU KUPY IN PHU LUNUGLEAK GULLIS



Rapidity dependence of the CGC signal? Note  $\Delta \eta > 2.5$ . Final state calcluations? Hydro? What is the initial geometry?  $\rho$ -meson + A collision

### Prithwish Tribedy

# Photonuclear processes in UPC from STAR



**Opportunities and scope:** 

- 2. Anticipated Au+Au 200 GeV run of RHIC (2023, 2025)
- 3. Data on tape: Au+Au 54 GeV (2017), Au+Au 200 GeV (2019)
- 4. Opportunistic p+Au or d+Au run at RHIC (2021, 2024)

Measurements:

1. Ridge, 2. change of chemistry (pi/k/p yield) & compare to hadronic events

1. STAR with enhanced pseodorapidity acceptance (iTPC + EPD + FTS/FCS)

### Prithwish Tribedy

# Photonuclear processes in UPC from STAR



Significant difference between correlation in HM (red) & LM (blue) γ+p/Au will be interesting

Understanding anisotropy from CGC:  $x - Q_s$  and domain size in Target  $Q^2 - Size$  of the probe #domains

Best opportunity: Controlled scan of x-Q<sup>2</sup> at EIC resting How anisotropy in p+p/Au compare to γ+p/Au @RHIC ?

A (nuclear target)  $B_p$  (projectile size) Correlated color domain size is ~  $1/Q_s$ 

Cartoon: Blair Seidlitz, IS2021

# CONSTRAINING THE HIG INITIAL STATE

### Can use UPCs to constrain nuclear properties



### Can use diffractive production at EIC to constrain spatial gluon distribution in protons and nuclei (and fluctuations)





# Quantum mechanics of partons and entanglement

Dima Kharzeev

The key to solving this apparent paradox may be quantum entanglement:

DIS probes only a part of the proton's wave function (region A). We sum over all hadronic final states; in quantum mechanics, this corresponds to accessing the density matrix of a <u>mixed state</u>

$$\hat{\rho}_A = \mathrm{tr}_{\mathrm{B}}\hat{\rho}$$

with a non-zero <u>entanglement entropy</u>

$$S_A = -\mathrm{tr}\left[\hat{\rho}_{\mathrm{A}}\ln\hat{\rho}_{\mathrm{A}}\right]$$

- Proton is a pure state with zero entropy; a collection of quasi-free partons is not.
  - D. Kharzeev, E. Levin, arXiv:1702.03489; PRD (2017)







# **Tests of the entanglement and the EIC**

## LHC data (CMS Coll.):

 $S = \ln[xG(x)]$ 

is satisfied at small x (maximal entanglement?!)

## HERA DIS data (H1 Coll.):

Agreement with the data once the current fragmentation region is accounted for:

sea quark distribution

H1 Collaboration (Z. Tu et al) arXiv:2011.01812; EPJC(2021)



EIC can perform pioneering measurements in the target fragmentation region (maximally entangled state);



Z. Tu, D. Kharzeev, T. Ullrich, arXiv:1904.11974; PRL(2020)



D. Kharzeev, E. Levin, arXiv:2102.09773

# **Real discovery potential!**

# ENTANGLEMENT

### Anything RHIC can/should do?

# SOME MORE SLIDES

# Highlights I : Polarized Photon-Gluon Collisions



### New Interference pattern observed in diffractive photo-nuclear interactions

- Experimental demonstration of sensitivity to gluon distribution and that incoherent does not contribute to interference pattern
- New measurement possibilities:
  - $J/\psi$ , which provides hard scale for theoretical calculations,
  - Measurements in non-UPC, comparison of  $\rho^0 \to \pi^+\pi^-$  vs.  $J/\psi \to l^+l^-$  to see if interference exists in both
  - Differential measurements w.r.t. mass, rapidity to test interference characteristics
  - Observation of Coulomb-Nuclear Interference May 25, 2021

### **Coulomb-Nuclear Interference**



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