# Insights into the (n)pQCD dynamics

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## Workshop

## **CFNS Workshop**

#### Mission

To provide a theoretical and experimental framework for studying npQCD dynamics

- Over 90 participants in person and by remote;
- Cold nuclear matter, jet physics, heavy flavors, Ultra-Peripheral Collisions (UPC) and more
- A dedicated session on the Electron-Ion Collider (EIC).

# Ultra-Peripheral Collisions (UPC)

## **Physics Interests**

- ▶ AA collisions at large  $b > 2L_A$ ;
- At LO, access to the gluon density;
- Access to small x values  $\sim 10^{-5}$ : unique observable!

### **Experiments**

► STAR, LHCb, CMS, ATLAS

#### **Observations**

- Recent results suggest higher shadowing:  $R_g(10^{-4}, 10^{-3}) \sim 0.6$  and lower at  $x \sim 10^{-5}$  (0.4);
- ▶ Small scale ( $\mu^2 \sim m_c^2 \sim$  2.5 GeV) compared to pA data;
- Propose a complete picture because nPDF should be universal.

## Heavy Mesons and Jet Physics

#### **QCD Medium Effects**

- ▶ **Light/heavy mesons suppression** in pA/AA collisions (small  $p_{\perp} \sim M$ );
  - Nuclear PDF (nPDF), radiative energy loss, broadening of  $p_{\perp}$ , nuclear absorption, etc.
  - → still a puzzle!
- ▶ Hadron jet quenching (large  $p_{\perp} \gg M$ ) in AA collisions
  - Radiative energy loss
  - ► → Great scaling!

## **Proposal**

- More discussions between cold and hot physics communities
- Global analysis by taking into account different variables

## Jet Physics

#### Jet Structure

- Probing different time scales:
  - Parton shower, hadronization, etc.
  - Dynamics pQCD (small  $t_f \ll 10$  fm) and npQCD (large  $t_f \gg 10$  fm)
- Constrain high-x behavior of the gluon PDF
- **▶** Different (new) observables:
  - $\triangleright$  Absolute cross section as a function of  $p_{\perp}$
  - Energy correlator
  - ightharpoonup Leading and Next-to-Leading articles correlations  $(r_c)$

### **Next Edition**

### For the upcoming edition, we aim to:

- ▶ Provide a more extensive space for discussion
- Compile a list of questions in major domains
- Reach consensus on observables
- Establish agreement on various models