

Vector meson production on nuclei and nuclear shadowing

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Outline:

- Nuclear PDFs at small- x and UPCs
- Gluon nuclear shadowing from coherent J/ψ photoproduction on nuclei
- Theoretical issues in pQCD studies of coherent J/ψ photoproduction
- Imaging of nuclear gluons at small x

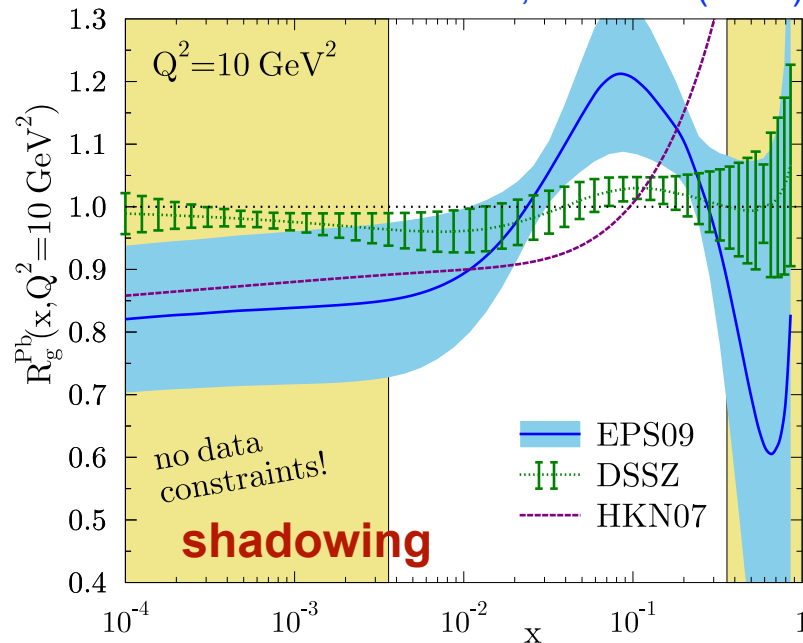
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Nuclear shadowing and nPDFs at small-x

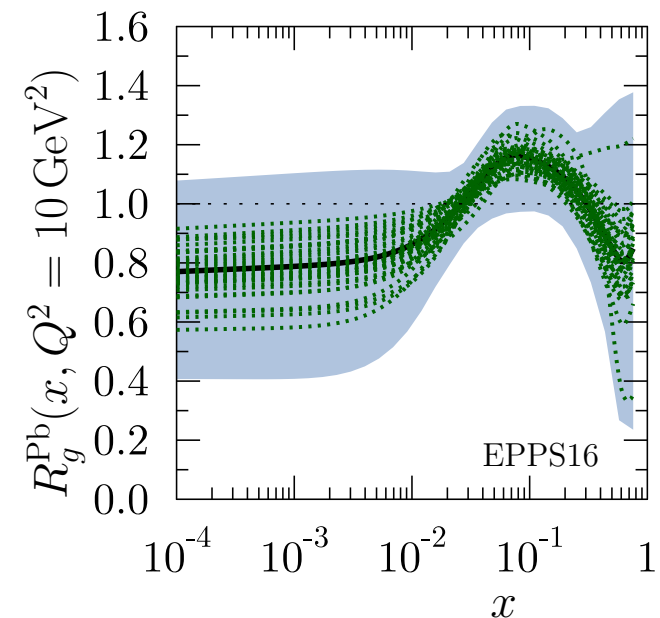
- Nuclear shadowing: suppression $f_A(x, \mu^2) < A f_N(x, \mu^2)$ for small $x < 0.005$.
- Important for QCD phenomenology of hard processes with nuclei: cold nuclear matter effects, gluon saturation (RHIC, LHC, EIC, LHeC/FCC)
- $f_A(x, \mu^2)$ are determined from global QCD fits to data on **fixed-target** DIS, hard processes in **dA** (RHIC) and **pA** (LHC) $\rightarrow f_A(x, \mu^2)$ with significant uncertainties

$$R_g(x, Q^2) = \frac{g_A(x, Q^2)}{A g_p(x, Q^2)}$$

Paukkunen, NPA 926 (2014) 24



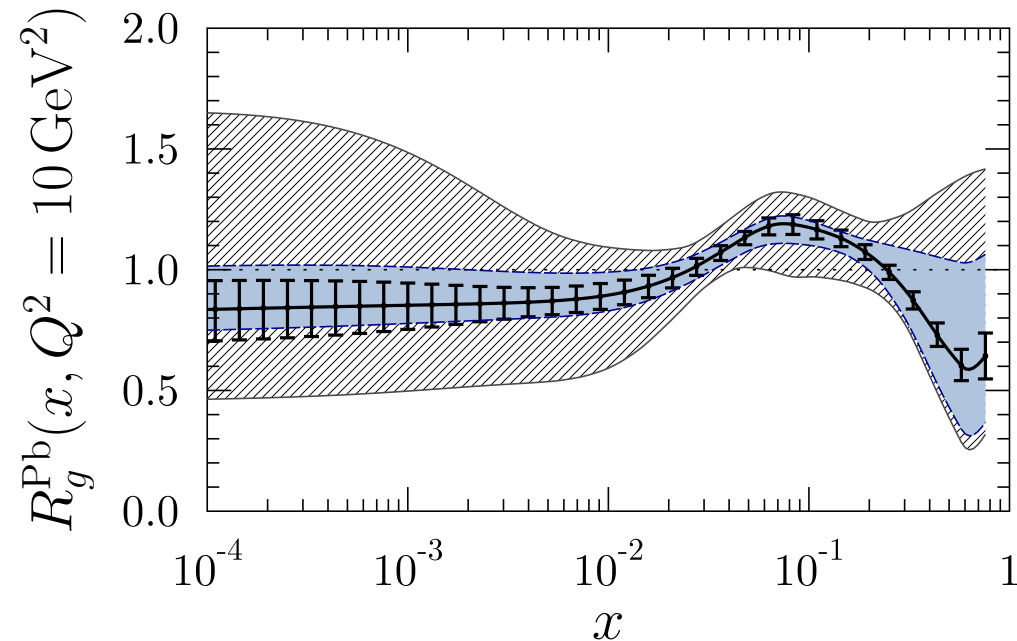
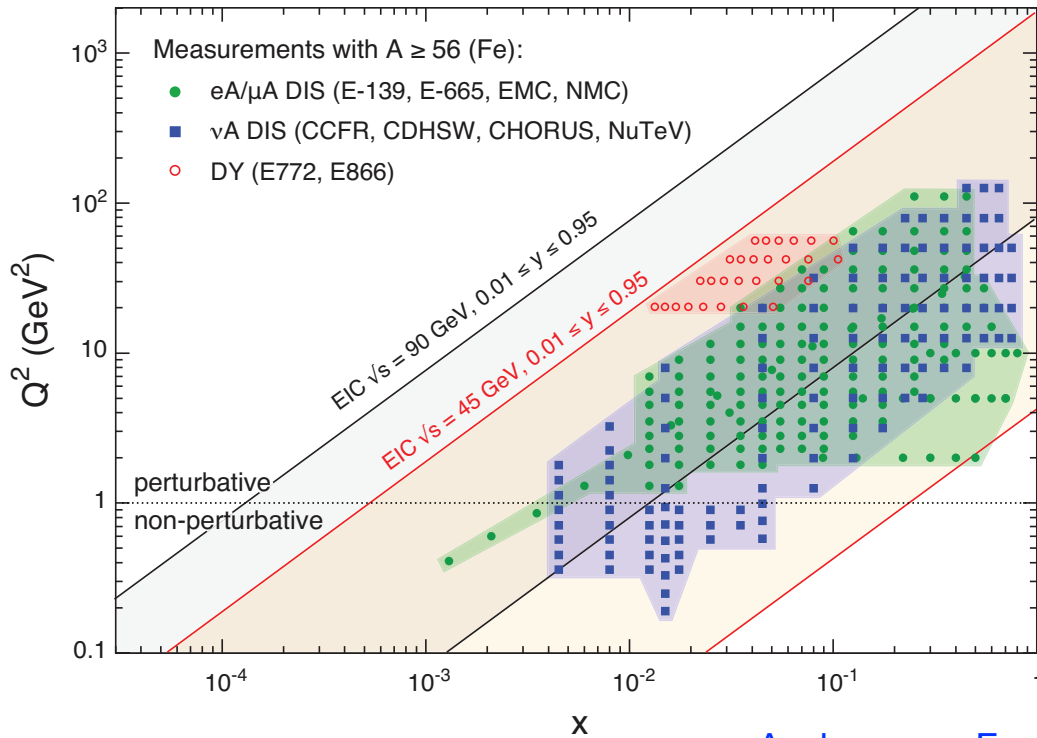
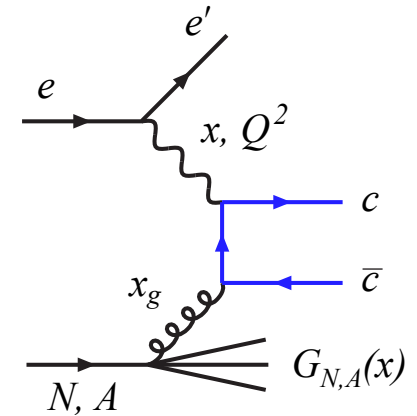
- pA@LHC data help little, [EPPS16](#), [Eskola](#), [Paakkinen](#), [Paukkunen](#), [Salgado](#) EPJ C77 (2017) 163



- Alternative: leading twist nuclear shadowing model, [Frankfurt](#), [Guzey](#), [Strikman](#), Phys. Rept. 512 (2012) 255

Gluon nuclear shadowing at EIC and LHeC

- In the future, gluon nuclear shadowing will be further constrained at EIC, [Accardi et al, EPJ A52 \(2016\) no.9, 268](#); LHeC@CERN, [LHEC Study Group, J. Phys. G39 \(2012\) 075001](#) due to wide Q^2 - x kinematic coverage, $F_L^A(x, Q^2)$ and $F_2^{\text{charm}}(x, Q^2)$ measurements:

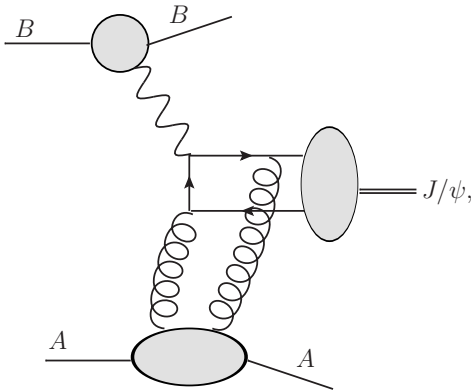


[Aschenauer, Fazio, Lamont, Paukkunen, Zurita, PRD 96 \(2017\) no.11, 114005](#)

Hatched: baseline fit
 Blue: EIC inclusive
 Black error: EIC inclusive + charm

Ultrapерipheral collisions

- **Ultrapерipheral collisions** (UPCs): ions interact at large impact parameters $b \gg R_A + R_B \rightarrow$ strong interaction suppressed $\rightarrow$ interaction via quasi-real photons, Fermi (1924), von Weizsäcker; Williams (1934)



- UPCs correspond to empty detector with only two lepton/pion tracks from vector meson decay
- Nuclear coherence by veto on neutron production by Zero Degree Calorimeters (ZDCs) and selection of small p_t

- Coherent photoproduction of vector mesons in UPCs:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{AA \rightarrow AAJ/\psi}(y)}{dy} = N_{\gamma/A}(y) \sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow AJ/\psi}(y) + N_{\gamma/A}(-y) \sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow AJ/\psi}(-y)$$

Photon flux from QED:

- high intensity $\sim Z^2$
- high photon energy $\sim \gamma_L$

Photoproduction cross section

$$y = \ln[W^2 / (2\gamma_L m_N M_V)]$$

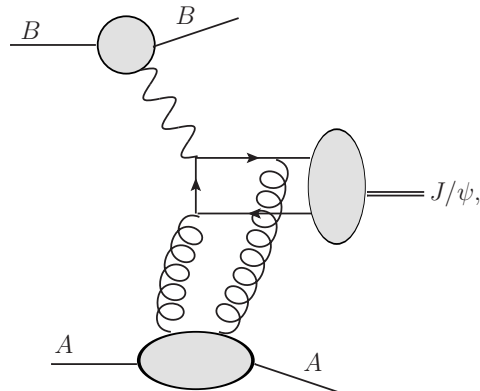
= J/ψ rapidity

UPCs@LHC = γp and γA interactions at unprecedentedly large energies, Baltz *et al.*, The Physics of Ultrapерipheral Collisions at the LHC, Phys. Rept. 480 (2008) 1

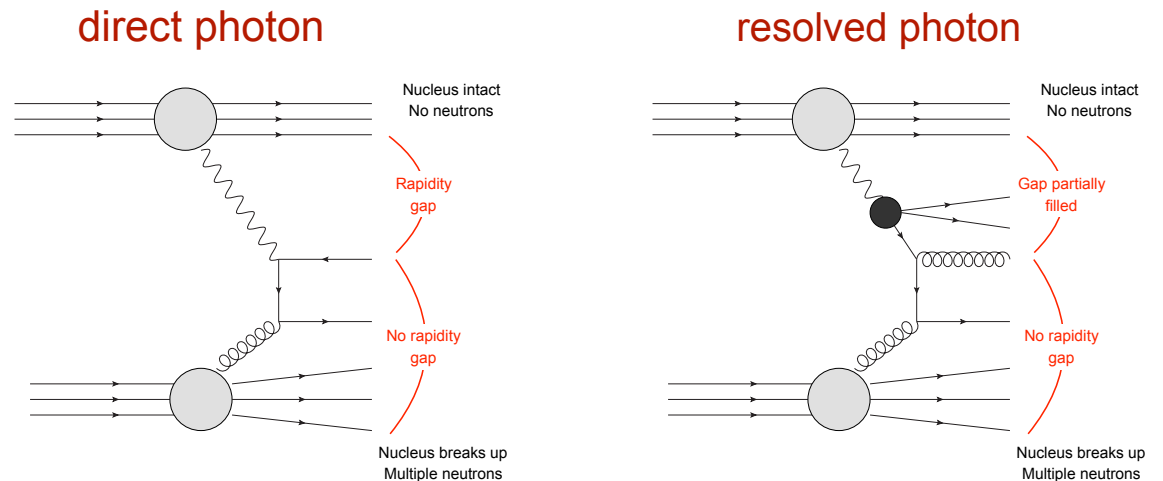
UPCs at the LHC

- To probe partonic structure of (nuclear) targets, one selects UPC processes with a hard scale $\rightarrow$ heavy vector meson mass or jet p_T
 - **Run 1**: photoproduction of quarkonia J/ψ , $\psi(2S)$ in:
Pb-Pb UPCs, [ALICE] Abelev *et al.* PLB 718 (2013) 1273; Abbas *et al.*, EPJ C 73 (2013) 2617; Adam *et al.*, PLB 751 (2015) 358; [CMS] PLB 772 (2017) 489,
p-Pb UPCs, [ALICE] Abelev *et al.*, PRL 113 (2014) 232504,
pp UPCs, [LHCb], Aaij *et al.*, J. Phys. G 40 (2013) 045001; J. Phys. G 41 (2014) 055002
 - Photoproduction of bottomonia $Y(1S,2S,3S)$ in pp UPCs, [LHCb], Aaij *et al.*, JHEP 1509 (2015) 084, and pA UPCs, [CMS], Chudasama *et al.*, PoS ICPAQGP 2015 (2017) 042 [arXiv:1607.00786 [hep-ex]]
 - Also photoproduction of ρ , [ALICE] Adam *et al.* JHEP 1509 (2015) 095 $\rightarrow$ soft nuclear shadowing
 - **Run 2**: quarkonia, Kryshen, arXiv:1705.06872; Klein, arXiv:1704.04715, dijets, ATLAS-CONF-2017-011

Exclusive J/ψ photoproduction



Inclusive dijet photoproduction

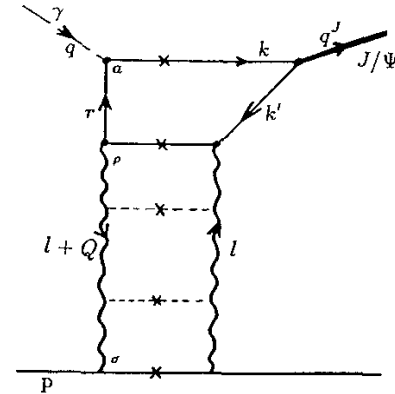


Exclusive charmonium photoproduction

- In leading logarithmic approximation (LLA) of pQCD and non-relativistic approximation for charmonium wave function (J/ψ , $\psi(2S)$), Ryskin, Z. Phys. C57 (1993) 89

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\gamma T \rightarrow J/\psi T}(W, t=0)}{dt} = C(\mu^2) [xG_T(x, \mu^2)]^2$$

$$x = \frac{M_{J/\psi}^2}{W^2}, \quad \mu^2 = M_{J/\psi}^2/4 = 2.4 \text{ GeV}^2 \quad C(\mu^2) = M_{J/\psi}^3 \Gamma_{ee} \pi^3 \alpha_s(\mu^2) / (48 \alpha_{em} \mu^8)$$



Beyond LLA and NR approximation for charmonium:

- k_T -factorization**, Ryskin, Roberts, Martin, Levin, Z. Phys. C76 (1997) 231; Martin, Nockles, Ryskin, Teubner, PLB 662 (2008) 252; Jones, Martin, Ryskin, Teubner, JHEP 1311 (2013) 085: gluon and quark $k_T \rightarrow$ additional suppression by factor 1/2; some NLO effects using unintegrated $g(x, k_T)$ reducing to NLO $g(x, \mu^2)$ + skewness factor to relate GPDs and PDFs $\rightarrow$ **successful LO and NLO pQCD description of HERA and LHCb data on charmonium photoproduction**
- k_T -factorization**, Cisek, Schafer, Szczurek, JHEP 1504 (2014) 159: unintegrated gluon distribution with saturation seems to be somewhat preferred by LHCb data on J/ψ photoproduction
- color dipole model framework**, Frankfurt, Koepf, Strikman (1998): relativistic effects in charmonium wf are very important; gluon virtualities are much higher than in NR case; Goncalves, Machado 2008-present; Lappi, Mäntysaari (2013): dipole cross section with/without saturation; large dependence on charmonium wf; phenomenological description of HERA and UPC data for proton. For Pb targets, nuclear suppression due to shadowing is generally underestimated.
- Collinear factorization at NLO**, Ivanov, Schaefer, Szymanowski, Krasnikov (2015); Jones, Martin, Ryskin, Teuber (2015): large $\sim 200\%$ NLO corrections and scale dependence

Coherent charmonium photoproduction on nuclei

- Application to nuclear targets:

$$\sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow J/\psi A}(W_{\gamma p}) = \kappa_{A/N}^2 \frac{d\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(W_{\gamma p}, t=0)}{dt} \left[\frac{G_A(x, \mu^2)}{AG_N(x, \mu^2)} \right]^2 \Phi_A(t_{\min})$$

Small correction $\kappa_{A/N} \approx 0.90-95$ due to different skewnesses of nuclear and nucleon GPDs

From HERA and LHCb

Nucleus/proton gluon ratio R_g

From nuclear form factor

$$\Phi_A(t_{\min}) = \int_{-\infty}^{t_{\min}} dt |F_A(t)|^2$$

- Well-defined impulse approximation (IA):

$$\sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow J/\psi A}^{\text{IA}}(W_{\gamma p}) = \frac{d\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(W_{\gamma p}, t=0)}{dt} \Phi_A(t_{\min})$$

- Nuclear suppression factor **S** (like R_{pA} or R_{AA}) $\rightarrow$ direct access to R_g

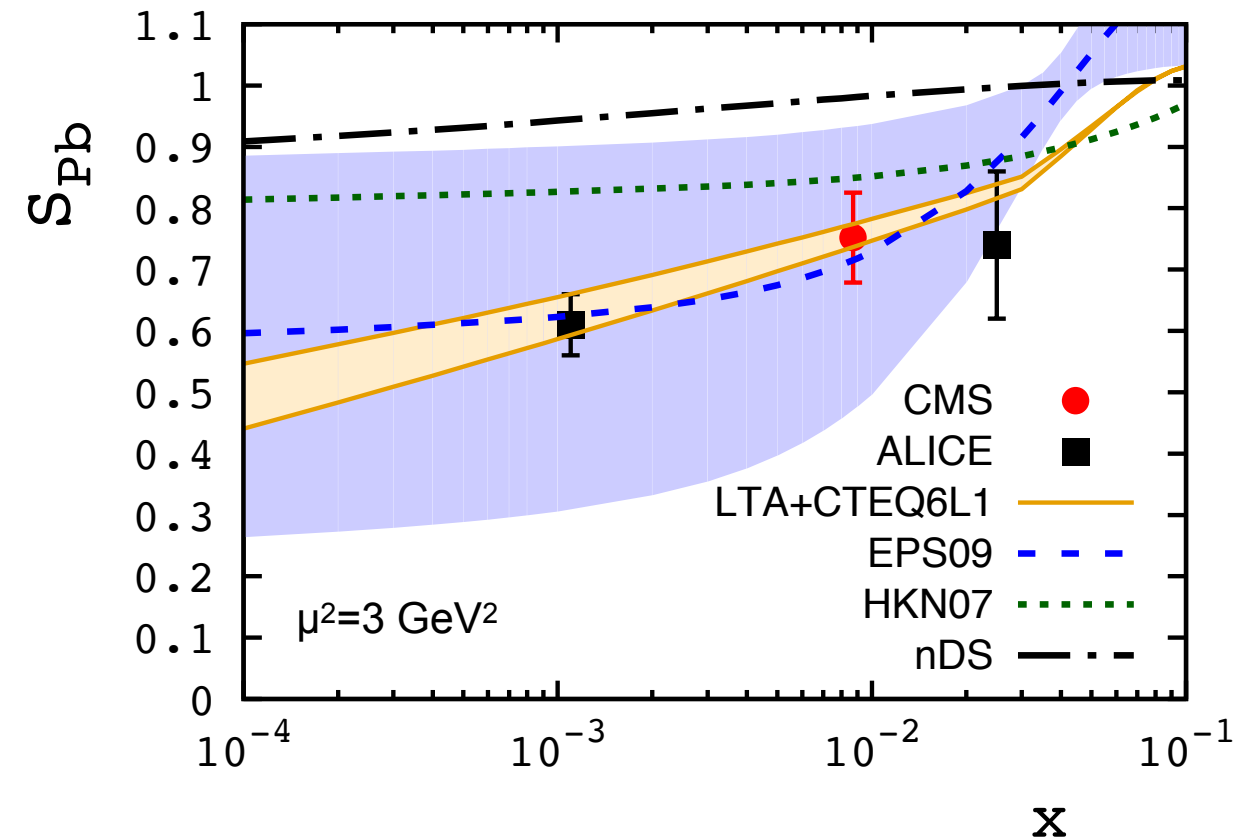
$$S(W_{\gamma p}) = \left[\frac{\sigma_{\gamma Pb \rightarrow J/\psi Pb}}{\sigma_{\gamma Pb \rightarrow J/\psi Pb}^{\text{IA}}} \right]^{1/2} = \kappa_{A/N} \frac{G_A(x, \mu^2)}{AG_N(x, \mu^2)} = \kappa_{A/N} R_g$$

Model-independently from data on UPC@LHC (ALICE, CMS) and HERA, LHCb [Abelev et al. \[ALICE\], PLB718 \(2013\) 1273](#); [Abbas et al. \[ALICE\], EPJ C 73 \(2013\) 2617](#); [CMS] [PLB 772 \(2017\) 489](#)

From global QCD fits of nPDFs or leading twist nuclear shadowing model
[Guzey, Kryshen, Strikman, Zhalov, PLB 726 \(2013\) 290](#),
[Guzey, Zhalov, JHEP 1310 \(2013\) 207](#)

S_{Pb} from ALICE and CMS UPC data vs. theory

- J/ψ photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs at LHC, [Abelev et al. \[ALICE\], PLB718 \(2013\) 1273](#); [Abbas et al. \[ALICE\], EPJ C 73 \(2013\) 2617](#); CMS Collab., PLB 772 (2017) 489 → suppression factor S_{Pb}

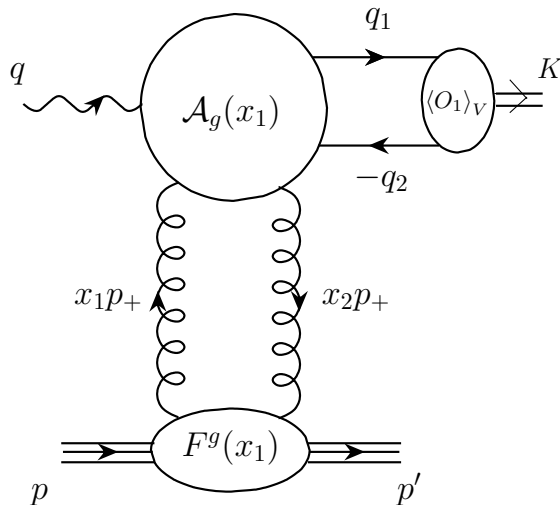


LTA: [Guzey, Zhalov JHEP 1310 \(2013\) 207](#)
EPS09: [Eskola, Paukkunen, Salgado, JHEP 0904 \(2009\) 065](#)
HKN07: [Hirai, Kumano, Nagai, PRC 76 \(2007\) 065207](#)
nDS: [de Florian, Sassot, PRD 69 \(2004\) 074028](#)

- Good agreement with ALICE data on coherent J/ψ photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs@2.76 TeV → [direct evidence of large gluon NS, \$R_g\(x=0.001\) \approx 0.6\$](#) .
- Also good description using central value of EPS09, EPPS16, large uncertainty.
- Color dipole models generally give too little suppression, [Goncalves, Machado \(2011\)](#); [Lappi, Mäntysaari, 2013](#), but proton shape fluctuations help, [Mäntysaari, Schenke, PLB 772 \(2017\) 681](#)

Theoretical issues: collinear factorization

- Ryskin's formula is derived in leading $\alpha_s \ln(1/x) \ln Q^2$ approx.+ NR approx. for charmonium wf (charm quarks have $k_T=0$, $z=1/2$, J/ψ via its $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$ decay)
- Electroproduction of J/ψ in leading $\alpha_s \ln(1/x) \ln Q^2$ approx., [Brodsky, Frankfurt, Gunion, Mueller, Strikman, PRD50 \(1994\) 3134](#): answer in terms of $xg(x, \mu^2)$ and J/ψ distribution amplitude
- Collinear factorization for hard exclusive processes, [Collins, Frankfurt, Strikman, PRD56 \(1997\) 2982](#), and its application to J/ψ photoproduction at NLO, [Ivanov, Schaefer, Szymanowski, Krasnikov, EPJ C34 \(2004\) 297](#); [EPJ C75 \(2015\) 75](#); [Jones, Martin, Ryskin, Teuber, EPJ C 76 \(2015\) 633](#)



- Amplitude = convolution of generalized parton distributions (GPDs) with hard coefficients
- Information on J/ψ via NR matrix element

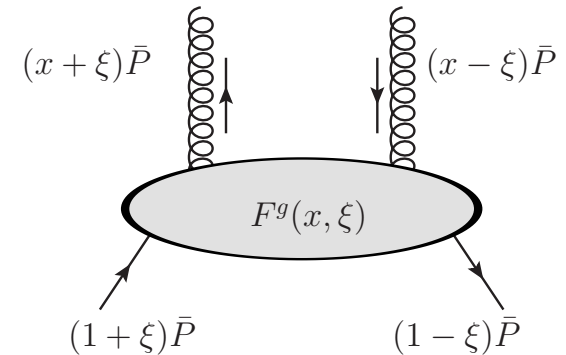
$$\mathcal{M} = \left(\frac{\langle O_1 \rangle_V}{m} \right)^{1/2} \sum_{p=g,q,\bar{q}} \int_0^1 dx_1 A_H^p(x_1, \mu_F^2) \mathcal{F}_\zeta^p(x_1, t, \mu_F^2)$$

- NLO corrections and scale dependence are very large, $\sim 200\%$ in HERA kinematics $\rightarrow$ problematic to build successful phenomenology, [Ivanov, Schaefer, Szymanowski, Krasnikov, EPJ C75 \(2015\) 75](#)

Our phenomenological approach

- In our approach, [Guzey, Zhavoronkov, JHEP 1310 \(2013\) 207](#), we took Ryskin's formula at face value, chose $\mu^2=3 \text{ GeV}^2$ to fit W-dependence of HERA data on $\gamma+p \rightarrow J/\psi+p$, and corrected it by skewness and real part $\rightarrow$ **describe well W-dependence of HERA, LHCb data, but overestimate normalization by factor of two.**
- Indication of magnitude of corrections? [Ryskin, Roberts, Martin, Levin, Z. Phys. C76 \(1997\) 231](#)
- Our approach is equivalent to collinear factorization at LO:

$$\mathcal{M} = -\frac{8\pi\alpha_s e_c g(\epsilon_V^* \cdot \epsilon_\gamma)}{m_c} \int_{-1}^1 dx \frac{F^g(x, \xi, t, \mu^2)}{(x - \xi + i\epsilon)(x + \xi - i\epsilon)}$$



- At LO, the imaginary part probes the most skewed situation, when GPDs are far from PDFs. The connection is model-dependent and based on forward input for DGLAP evolution for GPDs, [Shuvaev, Golec-Biernat, Martin, Ryskin, PRD 60 \(1999\) 014015](#)

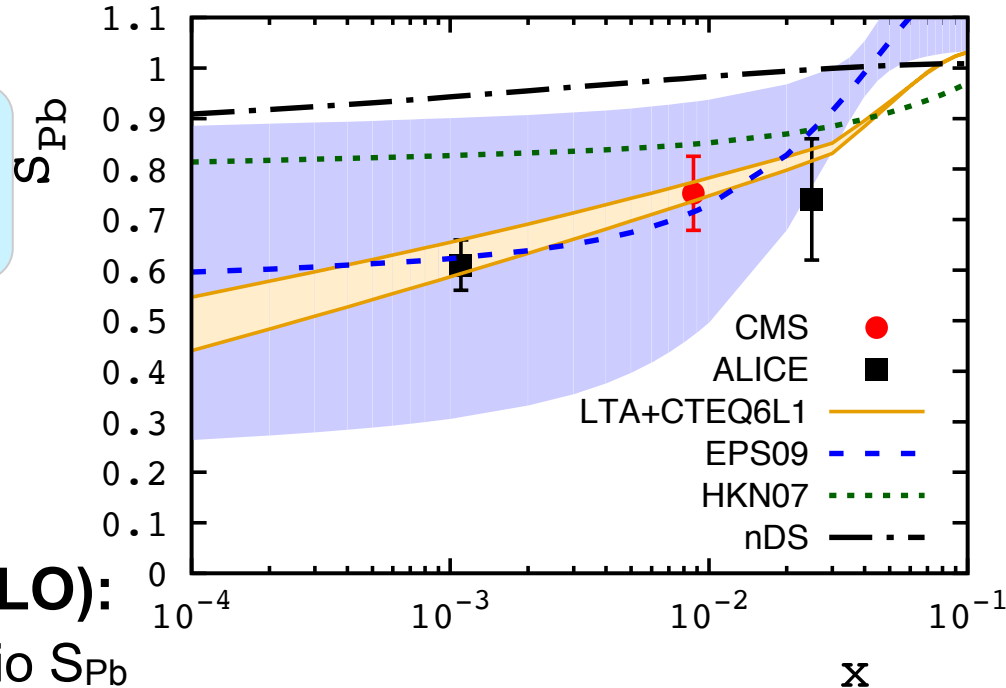
$$R = \frac{H(\xi, \xi)}{H(2\xi, 0)} = \frac{2^{2\lambda+3}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + 5/2)}{\Gamma(\lambda + 3 + p)} \quad \text{where } xg(x) \sim (1/x)^\lambda$$

Implications for gluon nPDF at small x

- Taking nucleus/proton ratio, one might hope that most corrections cancel and S_{Pb} represents gluon shadowing at LO with small correction due to different skewness for nucleus and proton GPDs:

$$S(W_{\gamma p}) = \left[\frac{\sigma_{\gamma Pb \rightarrow J/\psi Pb}}{\sigma_{\gamma Pb \rightarrow J/\psi Pb}^{IA}} \right]^{1/2} = \kappa_{A/N} \frac{G_A(x, \mu^2)}{AG_N(x, \mu^2)} = \kappa_{A/N} R_g$$

$$\kappa_{A/N} = R_A/R_N$$



- One needs to check further (LO and NLO):**
 - cancellation of GPD/PDF connection in ratio S_{Pb}
 - to what extent corrections beyond collinear approximation cancel in S_{Pb}
 - useful guide to estimate the magnitude of these corrections is provided by the dipole model, [Frankfurt, Koepf, Strikman 1996,1998](#)
- Open questions:**
 - relativistic corrections to J/ψ distribution amplitude
 - resummation to reduce the large scale dependence at NLO
 - connection between collinear factorization (GPDs) and k_T factorization/dipole models; leading twist vs. all-twist nuclear shadowing

Imaging of nuclear gluons at small x

- In case of large nuclear shadowing, $\gamma A \rightarrow J/\psi A$ cross section should be generalized:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow J/\psi A}}{dt} = \frac{d\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(t=0)}{dt} \left(\frac{R_{g,A}}{R_{g,p}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{g_A(x, \mu^2)}{A g_p(x, \mu^2)} \right)^2 F_A^2(t)$$



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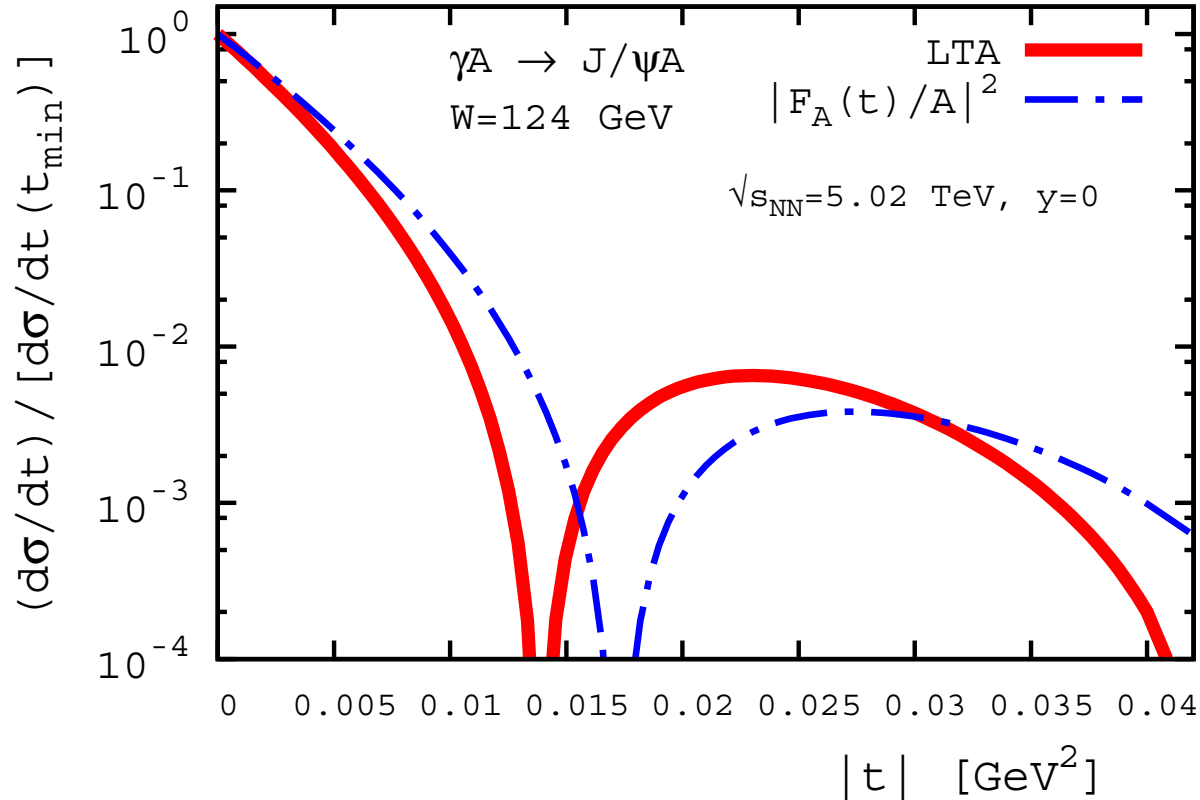
- Answer in terms of nuclear GPD in the $x_1=x_2$ limit $\rightarrow$ FT $\rightarrow$ impact-parameter-dependent nPDF $f_{j/A}(x, Q_0^2, b)$, [Guzey, Strikman, Zhalov, PRC 95 \(2017\) 025204](#)

$$x f_{j/A}(x, Q_0^2, b) = A T_A(b) x f_{j/N}(x, Q_0^2) - 8\pi A(A-1) B_{\text{diff}} \Re e \frac{(1-i\eta)^2}{1+\eta^2} \int_x^{0.1} dx_{\mathbb{P}} \beta f_j^{D(3)}(\beta, Q_0^2, x_{\mathbb{P}}) \\ \times \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz_1 \int_{z_1}^{\infty} dz_2 \rho_A(\vec{b}, z_1) \rho_A(\vec{b}, z_2) e^{i(z_1-z_2)x_{\mathbb{P}}m_N} e^{-\frac{A}{2}(1-i\eta)\sigma_{\text{soft}}^j(x, Q_0^2) \int_{z_1}^{z_2} dz' \rho_A(\vec{b}, z')}$$

- b-dependent nPDFs predicted in leading twist nuclear shadowing model, [Frankfurt, Guzey, Strikman, Phys. Rept. 512 \(2012\) 255](#), and also fitted in EPS09s nPDFs, [Helenius, Honkanen, Salgado, JHEP 1207 \(2012\) 073](#).

Shift of t-dependence

- Correlations between impact parameter b and x (shadowing is stronger in nucleus center) $\rightarrow$ shift of t-dependence of $\gamma A \rightarrow J/\psi A$ cross section in UPCs:



Guzey, Strikman, Zhalov,
PRC 95 (2017) 025204

- Resulting shift = **5-11% broadening** in impact parameter space of gluon nPDF
- Similar effect is predicted to be caused by saturation, Cisek, Schafer, Szczurek, PRC86 (2012) 014905; Lappi, Mäntysaari, PRC 87 (2013) 032201; Toll, Ullrich, PRC87 (2013) 024913; Goncalves, Navarra, Spiering, arXiv:1701.04340
- Oscillations of beam-spin nuclear DVCS asymmetry at **EIC** and **LHeC**.

Summary

- Small- x nPDFs — especially gluon nPDFs — are poorly constrained by available fixed-target nuclear DIS and pA LHC data. Additional processes and Run 2 data may help.
- Photoproduction of J/ψ in Pb-Pb UPCs at the LHC gives direct evidence of large gluon nuclear shadowing $R_g(x=0.001, \mu^2 \approx 3 \text{ GeV}^2) = 0.6$.
- Theoretical challenge and open question: include UPC data on exclusive J/ψ in global QCD fits of nPDFs.
- Heavy quarkonia photoproduction in UPCs gives access to transverse imaging of (nuclear) gluon distribution at small x .