"Subnucleon Fluctuations with Sartre" BNL EIC Working Group

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Subnucleon Fluctuations in Sartre

Work in progress together with Arjun Kumar.

Fluctuations in QCD

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Exclusive diffraction cross section:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\gamma^*A \to VA}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \left| \left\langle \mathcal{A}^{\gamma^*A \to VA} \right\rangle \right|^2$$

Incoherent part:
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\gamma^*A \to VA^*}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \left(\left\langle \left| \mathcal{A}^{\gamma^*A \to VA} \right|^2 \right\rangle - \left| \left\langle \mathcal{A}^{\gamma^*A \to VA} \right\rangle \right|^2 \right)$$

Incoherent cross section is (almost) a direct measurement of gluon fluctuations—a direct measurement of gluons!

t sets the momentum scale at which the fluctuations are probed Gluons fluctuate differently at different scales (saturation scale, geometrical fluctuations of hotspots and nucleons)

Geometry in the Dipole Model

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$$\mathcal{A}_{T,L}^{\gamma^* p \to Ep} = \mathrm{i} \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}r \left(2\pi r\right) \int_0^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{4\pi} \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}b \left(2\pi b\right) \left(\Psi_E^* \Psi\right)_{T,L} J_0(b\Delta) \ J_0\left([1-z]r\Delta\right) \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{q\bar{q}}}{\mathrm{d}^2 \boldsymbol{b}}\right)$$

bNonSat

bSat

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\mathrm{dip}}}{\mathrm{d}^2\mathbf{b}} = r^2 \frac{\pi^2}{N_C} \alpha_{\mathrm{s}}(\mu^2) x g(x,\mu^2) T_p(b) \qquad \qquad \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\mathrm{dip}}}{\mathrm{d}^2\mathbf{b}} = 2 \left[1 - \exp\left(-r^2 \frac{\pi^2}{2N_C} \alpha_{\mathrm{s}}(\mu^2) x g(x,\mu^2) T_p(b)\right) \right]$$

Proton Thickness:
$$T_p(b) = \frac{1}{2\pi B_p} e^{-\frac{b^2}{2B_p}}$$

$$B_p = 4 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

This can be interpreted as average gluon distribution in the proton



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$$T_p(\mathbf{b}_T) \to \frac{1}{N_q} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{2\pi B_q} e^{-(\mathbf{b}_T - \mathbf{b}_T)^2/(2B_q)}$$

Small |t|: Small momentum scale fluctuations. MS use a model based on Saturation scale fluctuations:

$$T_p(\mathbf{b}) \to \sum_{i=1}^{N_q} \frac{\Omega_i}{\langle E \rangle} T_q(\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{b}_i)$$

FIG. 1: J/ψ photoproduction cross sections at W = 75 GeV as a function of squared momentum transfer as measured by H1 [43], compared to calculations using the IPsat parametrization for the dipole-target scattering. Geometric shape fluctuations and overall normalization fluctuations (Q_s^2 fluctuations) are needed to describe the data. Figure based on Ref. [57].

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 Ω_i drawn from log-normal distribution with width σ and $\langle E \rangle = \exp(\sigma^2/2)$



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"As the coherent cross section is only sensitive to the average structure of the target, or to the average dipole-target scattering amplitude, it would also be possible in principle to construct a parametrization for the fluctuating proton structure which leaves the average dipole-target interaction intact. Note that Eq. (13) modifies the average proton shape, due to the non-linear dependence on the density function Tp in the dipole amplitude (8). Consequently, the different results for the coherent cross section should not be taken to quantify the effect of proton shape fluctuations on coherent J/ ψ production. "



$$T_{p}(\vec{b}) = \frac{1}{N_{q}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{q}} \frac{1}{2\pi B_{q}} \frac{1}{e^{\frac{(\vec{b}_{T} - \vec{b}_{Ti})^{2}}{2B_{q}}} - B_{s}}$$

Here B_s is a parameter, for $B_S = 0$ we have the usual Gaussian, for $B_S = 1$ it is a Bose-Einstein distribution.

We call this "Modified Gaussian"

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Over compensation!

Subnucleon Fluctuations in Nuclei t-distributions



Subnucleon Fluctuations in Nuclei Skewedness Corrections

Real part correction: Only imaginary part of amplitude used. We can correct for this by multiplying the ampltiude by $1 + \beta^2$, where β is the real to imaginary ratio:

$$\beta = \tan(\pi \lambda/2), \text{ with } \lambda \equiv \frac{\partial \ln \left(\mathcal{A}_{T,L}^{\gamma^* p \to Ep} \right)}{\partial \ln(1/x)}$$

Real part corrections are well motivated!

Skewedness corrections: Cross section multiplied by a factor R_g .

$$R_g(\lambda) = \frac{2^{2\lambda+3}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+5/2)}{\Gamma(\lambda+4)}, \quad \text{with} \quad \lambda \equiv \frac{\partial \ln [xg(x,\mu^2)]}{\partial \ln(1/x)}$$

Motivated for linear cross sections, i.e. bNonSat in *ep*. Unclear if applicable for bSat or bNonSat in *eA*.

We chose to **not** use it for any *e*A comparisons in earlier study, since using it only for bNonSat would make saturation statements more unclear.

However, since it is unclear how much skewedness correction should be used, we can see it as a **model uncertainty**.

Subnucleon Fluctuations in Nuclei Skewedness Corrections



Summary

We have:

Implemented Subnucleon fluctuation for ep and *e*A Found a hotspot distribution that reproduces coherent *ep* Made comparisons to LHC UPC measurements.

These are well described within uncertainties

bNonSat is *almost* ruled out.

Incoherent comparisons are not perfect indicating that there is more to learn.

To Do:

Check convergence of averages.

Finalise the current implementation in the code (big changes for *ep*) Further investigations in ep.

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Etc.

Plan: A short complementary Sartre UPC paper, and an *ep* paper, coming soon...