Azimuthal correlations of forward di-pions in d+Au collisions suppressed by saturation

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Parton saturation



x: parton longitudinal momentum fraction

 k_T : parton transverse momentum

the distribution of partons as a function of *x* and k_T :



this regime is non-linear yet weakly coupled $lpha_s(Q_s^2) \ll 1$

QCD linear evolutions: $k_T \gg Q_s$ In(1) DGLAP evolution to larger k_T (and a more dilute hadron) BFKL evolution to smaller *x* (and denser hadron)

dilute/dense separation characterized by the saturation scale $Q_s(x)$

QCD non-linear evolution: $k_T \sim Q_s$ meaning $x \ll 1$

$$\begin{split} \rho &\sim \frac{xf(x,k_{\perp}^2)}{\pi R^2} & \text{gluon density per unit area} \\ \text{it grows with decreasing x} \\ \sigma_{rec} &\sim \alpha_s/k^2 & \text{recombination cross-section} \\ \text{recombinations important when } \rho \ \sigma_{rec} > 1 \\ \text{the saturation regime: for } k^2 < Q_s^2 \text{ with } Q_s^2 = \frac{\alpha_s x f(x,Q_s^2)}{\pi R^2} \end{split}$$

Why di-hadron corelations ?

- after the first d+Au run at RHIC, there was a lot of new results on single inclusive particle production at forward rapidities $d Au \rightarrow h X$



- but single particle production probes limited information about the CGC

to strengthen the evidence, we need to study more complex observables

- focus on di-hadron azimuthal correlations

a measurement sensitive to possible modifications of the back-to-back emission pattern in a hard process



(only the 2-point function)

 $d Au \rightarrow h_1 h_2 X$

Di-hadron final-state kinematics

final state : $k_1, y_1 = k_2, y_2$

$$x_{p} = \frac{k_{1} e^{y_{1}} + k_{2} e^{y_{2}}}{\sqrt{s}} \qquad x_{A} = \frac{k_{1} e^{-y_{1}} + k_{2} e^{-y_{2}}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

scanning the wave-functions

 $x_p \sim x_A < 1$ central rapidities probe moderate x x_p increases $| x_A \sim$ unchanged $x_p \sim 1, x_A < 1$ forward/central doesn't probe much smaller x $x_p \sim unchanged \left[x_A decreases \right]$ $x_p \sim 1, x_A << 1$ forward rapidities probe small x



Forward di-jet production





collinear factorization of quark density in deuteron

b: quark in the amplitude x: gluon in the amplitude b': quark in the conj. amplitude x': gluon in the conj. amplitude

Fourier transform k_{\perp} and q_{\perp} into transverse coordinates

$$\frac{d\sigma^{dAu \to qgX}}{d^2k_{\perp}dy_k d^2q_{\perp}dy_q} = \alpha_S C_F N_c \, x_d q(x_d, \mu^2) \int \frac{d^2x}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2x'}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2b}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2b'}{(2\pi)^2} e^{ik_{\perp} \cdot (\mathbf{X}' - \mathbf{X})} e^{iq_{\perp} \cdot (\mathbf{b}' - \mathbf{b})}$$

$$\left| \Phi^{q \rightarrow qg}(z, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{b}') \right|^{2} \left\{ S_{qg\bar{q}g}^{(4)}[\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{b}', \mathbf{x}'; x_{A}] - S_{qg\bar{q}}^{(3)}[\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{b}' + z(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{b}'); x_{A}] \right\}$$

 $p Q \cup D q \rightarrow q q$ wavefunction

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interaction with hadron 2 / CGC

 $z = \frac{|k_\perp|e^{y_k}}{|k_\perp|e^{y_k} + |q_\perp|e^{y_q}}$

n-point functions that resums the powers of $g_s A$ and the powers of $\alpha_s \ln(1/x_a)$

computed with JIMWLK evolution at NLO (in the large-Nc limit), and MV initial conditions no parameters

CGC predictions

with a large-Nc approximation to practically handle to 4-point function

C.M. (2007) $S^{(4)}$ and $S^{(3)}$ expressed as non-linear functions of $S^{(2)}$

even though the knowledge of $S^{(2)}$ is enough to predict the forward dihadron spectrum, there is no k_T factorization: the cross section is a non-linear function of the gluon distribution

• some results for $(1/\sigma) d\sigma/d\Delta \Phi$

 $k_1 \!=\! 5$ GeV, $y_1 \!=\! 3.5, y_2 \!=\! 2$

 k_2 is varied from 1.5 to 3 GeV

as k_2 decreases, it gets closer to Q_s and the correlation in azimuthal angle is suppressed





azimuthal correlations are only a small part of the information contained in $\frac{dc}{d^2k}$

 $\frac{d\sigma^{pA \to h_1 h_2 X}}{d^2 k_1 dy_1 d^2 k_2 dy_2}$

Evidence of monojets



Comparison with CGC

in central collisions where Q_S is the biggest



standard (DGLAP-like) QCD calculations cannot reproduce this

The centrality dependence

it can be estimated by modifying the initial condition for NLO-BK evolution

for a given impact parameter, the initial saturation scale used is

$$Q_s^2(b) = Q_s^2(0)\sqrt{1 - b^2/R^2}$$

the away-side peak is reappearing when decreasing the centrality

d+Au peripheral collisions are like p+p collisions 0.008 CP(∆ CP(∆ CP $dAu \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 X$ b=0 fm p__>2 GeV/c, 1 GeV/c < p__<p__ h=4.4 fm 0.006 b=5.1 fm 0.005 0.004 the near-side peak is unchanged 0.003 0.002 0.001 0^C 2 3 5 4 6 $\Delta \phi$

Conclusions

the magnitude of the away-side peak, compared to that of the near-side peak, decreases from p+p to d+Au central

this happens at forward rapidities, but at central rapidities, the p+p and d+Au signal are almost identical



 \Rightarrow the suppression of the away-side peak occurs when Q_S increases

this was predicted, in some cases quantitatively with no parameter adjustments so far all di-hadron correlations measured in d+Au vs. p+p are consistent with saturation