Overview of Recent CMS Results

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Introduction

- - - Sensitive to the initial state

 - **Study hadronization and hadron structure**



Measurements of light-by-light scattering, the Breit–Wheeler process

At the LHC - yy studied in proton-proton, proton-nucleus, and nucleus-nucleus UPCs



- yy luminosities associated with PbPb UPCs enhanced ≫ compared with similar pp or e⁺e⁻ interaction
 - chance to study light-by-light (LbL) scattering ⇒
- Elastic LbL scattering- pure quantum mechanical ≻ process that proceeds at leading QED coupling α

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Photon-fusion processes with larger cross sections and well-known properties

Study Breit–Wheeler (B–W) process \Rightarrow

"Standard candles" of the more elusive signals

Measurements of the Breit–Wheeler process

The data collected in 2018 at a centre-of-mass energy per nucleon pair of 5.02 TeV, integrated luminosity of 1.647 nb⁻¹





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B-W process measured over m = 5 - 100 GeV with ≈20 000 events observed

$$\gamma \to e^+e^-) = 271.5 \pm 1.9 \text{ (stat)} \pm 18.3 \text{ (syst)} \ \mu b$$

SuperChic 3.03+FSR: Starlight 3.13: gamma-UPC/MG5+FSR: $\sigma_{fid}(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-) = 265 \ \mu b$

 $\sigma_{fid} (\gamma \gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-) = 261 \ \mu b$ $\sigma_{\rm fid}(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-) = 251 \ \mu b$

Differential cross sections measured in data very good agreement between data and predictions with FSR

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eon pair of 5.02 TeV, integrated

Light-by-light scattering observed at 5.2σ (3.8 exp.) with 26 events

$$_{\rm fid}(\gamma\gamma \to \gamma\gamma) = \frac{N^{\gamma\gamma,\rm data} - N^{\gamma\gamma,\rm bkg}}{C^{\gamma\gamma}\mathcal{L}_{\rm int}} = 107 \pm 33\,({\rm stat}) \pm 20\,({\rm syst})\,{\rm nb}$$

gamma-UPC/MG5+FSR: $\sigma_{fid}(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = 95.4 \pm 2.0 \ \mu b$

⇒ agreement between both predictions and the unfolded data within experimental uncertainties

Observation of $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$



CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN Data recorded: 2015-Dec-06 21:41:27.033612 GMT Run / Event / LS: 263400 / 88515785 / 849





HIN-21-009 **Published in PRL**





Probing gluon nPDF at low x

- Models cannot describe data across all $W^{Pb}_{\gamma N}$
- Evidence of gluon saturation?





HIN-22-022 Published in PRL

Luis talk

QGP Degrees of Freedom



Net charge fluctuations in PbPb

 $\langle N_{ch} \rangle v_{(+-,dyn)}$

$$\nu_{(+-,\mathrm{dyn})} = \frac{\langle N_+(N_+ - 1) \rangle}{\langle N_+ \rangle^2} + \frac{\langle N_-(N_- - 1) \rangle}{\langle N_- \rangle^2} - 2\frac{\langle N_+N_- \rangle}{\langle N_- \rangle \langle N_+ \rangle} \mathbf{0}$$

- Net charge fluctuations vs. $\Delta\eta$ of particle pairs
- Consistent with predictions for QGP at large $\Delta\eta$

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• QGP speed of sound can be extracted from measurements of $< p_T > v_S N_{ch}$

 $\langle p_T \rangle / 3$) 22 E Temperature



Entropy density (s)

Centrality or # of charged particles

• Hydrodynamic models predict rising slope at large N_{ch}



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• Slope of data matches models closely!



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Hadronization and Heavy Flavor



• v_2 of $f_0(980)$ measured in pPb



- Inner structure unknown
 - Diquark
 - Tetraquark
 - K-K molecule



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Constituent Scaling of V₂

- $v_2 \text{ of } f_0(980) \text{ measured in pPb}$
- Inner structure unknown
 - Diquark
 - Tetraquark
 - K-K molecule
- Use constituent quark scaling to extract number of quarks

$$v_2(E_T)/n_q = v_{2,q}(E_T/n_q)$$







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- $n_q = 4$ excluded at ≥ 3.1
- $n_q = 2$ favored





Λ_c^+/D^0 Ratio vs. pPb multiplicity



- Comparison of charm and strange baryon-to-meson ratio
 - Multiplicity-dependence not observed in charm sector

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meson ratio arm sector

 Λ^+_C/D^0 Compilation



Observation of Y(3S)

• First observation of $\Upsilon(3S)$ in AA collisions





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5 vector quarkonia states

- First observation of $\Upsilon(3S)$ in AA collisions
- Stronger suppression at low binding energies



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Jet Quenching and Substructure



Dijet v₂ in PbPb

• Positive dijet v₂ - jet yields correlated with initial elliptic geometry



How many particles can QGP separate at once?



• Simple picture so far: there is a scale that separates two configurations

Interpretation not that simple as initially thought

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Collectivity in small systems



Systems smaller than pp?



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Search for flow in individual jets



 $rac{1}{N_{trig}}rac{d^2N^{pair}}{d\Delta\eta}rac{d\Delta\phi}{d\Delta\phi}$

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What if a QGP-like state is formed by a parton fragmenting to many particles?

Rotated reference frame



• In rotated reference frame, calculate two particle correlation using jet constituents

Two particle correlation



In rotated reference frame, calculate two particle correlation using jet constituents

In-jet v₂ with respect to the jet axis



- In rotated reference frame, calculate two particle correlation using jet constituents
- v_2 well described by MC for N_{ch}^{jet} <80
- Upward trend seen for N_{ch}^{jet} >80
 - Potential sign of collectivity in jets?

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Looking Towards LHC Run 3 & 4



5.36 TeV PbPb Collisions!



CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN Data recorded: 2022-Nov-18 16:09:13.771584 GMT Run / Event / LS: 362294 / 4769619 / 16





First CMS Run 3 result - $dN_{ch}/d\eta$

- 5.36 TeV data from 2022 test run
- Challenging for MC generators to predict both magnitude and shape of $dN_{ch}/d\eta$

• $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ dependence consistent with power law calculated using lower energies



CMS PAS HIN-23-007



Ready for large 5.36 TeV data sets!

Run 4 upgrades

- Adding PID and pileup rejection with MIP Timing Detector
- Research on rad-hard ZDCs for HL-LHC

Celebration instead of Summary

- Comprehensive overview of high-density **QCD** studies
- Since the start of the LHC HI program in all collision systems
- Major advances toward understanding the macroscopic and microscopic QGP properties
- Surprising QGP-like effects in smaller systems
- Precision QED as well as BSM physics searches
- Strengthens the scientific case of using HI collisions in the coming decade

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Overview of high-density QCD studies with the CMS experiment at the LHC

The CMS Collaboration*

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Abstract

The heavy ion (HI) physics program has proven to be an essential part of the overall physics program at the Large Hadron Collider at CERN. Its main purpose has been to provide a detailed characterization of the quark-gluon plasma (QGP), a deconfined state of quarks and gluons created in high-energy nucleus-nucleus collisions. From the start of the LHC HI program with lead-lead collisions, the CMS Collaboration has performed measurements using additional data sets in different center-of-mass energies with xenon-xenon, proton-lead, and proton-proton collisions. A broad collection of observables related to high-density quantum chromodynamics (QCD), precision quantum electrodynamics (QED), and even novel searches of phenomena beyond the standard model (BSM) have been studied. Major advances toward understanding the macroscopic and microscopic QGP properties were achieved at the highest temperature reached in the laboratory and for vanishingly small values of the baryon chemical potential. This article summarizes key QCD, QED, as well as BSM physics, results of the CMS HI program for the LHC Runs 1 (2010–2013) and 2 (2015–2018). It reviews findings on the partonic content of nuclei and properties of the QGP and describes the surprising QGP-like effects in collision systems smaller than lead-lead or xenon-xenon. In addition, it outlines the scientific case of using ultrarelativistic HI collisions in the coming decades to characterize the QGP with unparalleled precision