Introduction to the Color Glass Condensate

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Aim

 Understand, at the conceptual level, the importance of Color Glass Condensate (CGC) in the high-energy hadron scattering

- Learn how to apply it to heavy-ion collisions: "Glasma"
- Know how it works in comparison with the most recent experimental data from RHIC and LHC

Hadron cross sections



Cross sections <u>GROW</u> with increasing energies and amount to > 100 mb at cosmic ray or LHC energies

How to "read" these data?



• Proton's "geometric" cross section $\pi r_c^2 \sim 30 \text{ mb}$ (charge radius $r_c \sim 1 \text{ fm}$) maximum absorption "shadowing" $\sim 2\pi r_c^2 \sim 60 \text{ mb} < 100 \text{ mb}$

 \rightarrow Proton is "expanding" !?

• Particle Data Group (COMPETE Collab. Phys. Rev.D65 (2002))

$$\sigma_{total}^{ab}(s) = Z^{ab} + B \ln^2 s + \dots$$

Z^{ab} : constant
B : independent of hadron species a, b
In² s : consistent with the Froissart bound (unitarity bound)

This example implies ...

- At high energies, something "unusual and interesting" must be happening in hadrons.
 - "expansion" of a target
 - unitarity
 - universal picture!

 \rightarrow consistent with the Color Glass Condensate.

(but only qualitatively at present for the total cross section)

We want to understand ...

 universal picture of hadrons/nuclei in the highenergy limit (if any)

 if we can describe it in QCD, in particular, in weakcoupling technique

at which energy scale it starts to appear

 to what extent we can understand the experimental results at current energies with this picture

What is the CGC?

- Dense gluonic states in hadrons which universally appear in the high-energy limit of scattering
 - Color ... gluons have "colors"
 - Glass ... gluons with small longitudinal mom. fractions (x <<1) are created by long-lived partons that are distributed randomly on the transverse disk
 Condensate ... gluon density is very high, and saturated

High energy



Color Glass Condensate (CGC)

 Most advanced (and still developing) theoretical picture of high energy scattering in QCD

Based on QCD (weak coupling due to Qs >> Λ_{QCD} , but non-perturbative) Unitarity effects (multiple scattering, nonlinear effects) LO description completed around 2000

Proton composition changes with energy

Deep inelastic scattering (DIS: $ep \rightarrow eX$)

can probe quarks and gluons in a proton



Two kinematical variables

- Q^2 : transverse resolution
- x : longitudinal mom. fraction of partons

Gluons are the dominant component at high energy (small x)



HERA @ DESY

Life and death of fluctuation



• If parent parton has large energy $xp >> k_t$,

\rightarrow fluctuation becomes long lived

- With increasing p, long-lived fluct. w/ smaller x becomes possible
- If daughter parton is long-lived, it can further fluctuate:

→ multiple parton (gluon) production

- One gluon emission is enhanced: α_s In 1/x >> 1 at small x <<1
 Need to sum up many-gluon emissions (α_s In 1/x)ⁿ
- When the density of gluons becomes high, they start to interact with each other \rightarrow CGC
- Fluctuations become real particles in reactions



Phase diagram of a proton as seen in DIS



Saturation scale : $Q_s(x)$

- Gluon distribution function: xG(x, Q²)
 number of gluons having longitudinal fraction in the interval "x x+dx"
 looked at transverse resolution scale 1/Q.
- Typical pQCD cross section : $\sigma \sim \alpha_s/Q^2$

Gluons fill the transverse area of hadron (πR^2) when $rac{lpha_s}{Q^2} \cdot x G(x,Q^2) = \pi R^2$

Q satisfying this is called "saturation momentum" Q_s

 $\frac{1}{O_s}$

Intuitive picture :

 $1/Q_s$ is the "transverse size" of gluons when they fill the transverse area of a hadron.

Typical transverse momentum carried by gluons in a hadron

Saturation scale : $Q_s(x)$

$$\frac{\alpha_s}{Q_s^2} \cdot xG(x, Q_s^2) = \pi R^2$$

- Small-x limit of DGLAP equation (Double Log App.) $xG(x,Q^2) \sim e^{\sqrt{4\bar{\alpha}_s y\rho}} \qquad y = \ln \frac{1}{x}, \ \rho = \ln \frac{Q^2}{Q_0^2}, \ \bar{\alpha}_s = \frac{N_c \alpha_s}{\pi}$ $Q_s^2 \propto e^{4\bar{\alpha}_s y} = (1/x)^{4\bar{\alpha}_s}$
- **BFKL equation** (resummation : LO $(\alpha_s \ln 1/x)^n$, NLO: $\alpha_s (\alpha_s \ln 1/x)^n$) gluon number (LO) ~ $e^{\omega y}$ $\omega = \bar{\alpha}_s 4 \ln 2 = 2.77 \bar{\alpha}_s$

 $Q_s^2 \propto (1/x)^{\lambda}$ LO $\lambda = 4.88 \, \bar{lpha}_s$ [lancu,Itakura,McLerran'02] NLO $\lambda \sim 0.3$ $x = 10^{-2} - 10^{-4}$ [Triantafyllopoulos, '03]

 $Q_{\rm s}$ grows with increasing energy (decreasing x) \rightarrow weak-coupling at high energies

Going up higher energies: evolution eqs.

Evolution wrt *x* (or rapidity $y = \ln 1/x$)



$$K^{\mathrm{run}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r_1}, \mathbf{r_2}) = \frac{N_c \,\alpha_s(r^2)}{2\pi^2} \left[\frac{r^2}{r_1^2 \, r_2^2} + \frac{1}{r_1^2} \left(\frac{\alpha_s(r_1^2)}{\alpha_s(r_2^2)} - 1 \right) + \frac{1}{r_2^2} \left(\frac{\alpha_s(r_2^2)}{\alpha_s(r_1^2)} - 1 \right) \right]$$

Evidence : Geometric Scaling

DIS (ep, eA) cross sections scale with Q^2/Qs^2



Freund, Rummukainen, Weigert, Schafer PRL 90 (2003) 222002 P

He (NMC)

Li (NMC)

C (NMC)

Ca (NMC)

Ca (E665)

Xe (E665)

Pb (E665)

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 10^{3}

 10^{2}

r Marquet, Schoeffel Phys. Lett. B639 (2006) 471



FIG. 3. Scaling behavior of NMC and E665 F_2^A data vs $\tau = \left(\frac{r_{\rm sb}}{x_0}\right)^{2A} \frac{Q^2}{A^{1/3}}$. The vertical axis corresponds to the left-hand side of Eq. (5). The dashed line corresponds to the geometric scaling curve obtained from HERA data. These are shown offset by a factor of 5.

Diffractive ep



Existence of saturation scale Qs

- Can determine x and A dependences of Qs
- Extends outside of the saturation regime $k_t < Q_s^2 / \Lambda_{QCD}$ (lancu, ltakura, McLerran)

Fig. 2. The diffractive cross-section $\beta d\sigma_{\rm diff}^{\gamma^* p \to Xp} / d\beta$ from H1 and ZEUS measurements, as a function of τ_d in bins of β for Q^2 values in the range [5; 90] GeV² and for $x_p < 0.01$. Only statistical uncertainties are shown.

 $Q^{2}/Q_{c}^{2}(X_{p})$

CGC turns into Glasma after heavy-ion collision

Glasma : non-equilibrium matter between Color Glass Condensate (CGC) and Quark Gluon Plasma (QGP). Created in heavy-ion collisions.



CGC as the initial condition for H.I.C.



Each source creates the gluon field for each nucleus. ← Initial condition

$$J^{\mu} = \delta^{\mu +} \delta(x^{-}) \rho_1(\mathbf{x}_T) + \delta^{\mu -} \delta(x^{+}) \rho_2(\mathbf{x}_T)$$

- $D_i \alpha^i_{(m)} = \rho_{(m)}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}). \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1, \, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2: \text{ gluon fields of nuclei}$

In Region (3), and <u>at $\tau = 0+$ </u>, the gauge field is determined by α_1 and α_2

$$A^{\pm} = \pm x^{\pm} \alpha(\tau, x_T) \qquad \begin{array}{l} \alpha_3^i \mid_{\tau=0} = \alpha_1^i + \alpha_2^i \\ \alpha_3^i \mid_{\tau=0} = \frac{\alpha_1^i + \alpha_2^i}{2} \\ \alpha \mid_{\tau=0} = \frac{ig}{2} \left[\alpha_1^i, \alpha_2^i \right] \\ \partial_{\tau} \alpha \mid_{\tau=0} = \partial_{\tau} \alpha_3^i \mid_{\tau=0} = 0. \end{array}$$

Glasma flux tube structure

Just after the collision: only E^z and B^z are nonzero (Initial CGC is transversely random)

→ Glasma = electric and magnetic flux tubes extending in the longitudinal direction



Unstable dynamics

Color-electric flux tube

→gluon pair, qqbar pair production via Schwinger

mechanism

Color-magnetic flux tube

→Unstable against rapidity dependent fluctuation via

Nielsen-Olesen instability

[Fujii,Itakura 2008] When both are present

→ Schwinger production of gluons enhanced by the N-O instability [Tanji,Itakura 2012]

Unsolved issues on glasma

How does the glasma thermalize into QGP?

unstable dynamics? → turbulent distribution leading to isotropization Bose-Einstein Condensation? → see talks by J.P.Blaizot and F.Gelis Other mechanisms, such as induced cascade by high pt partons?

What is the observable consequence?

Ridge as remnants of longitudinal flux tube structure?

• What kind of fluctuations are there?

Color fluctuation inherent to CGC generates higher harmonics of flow?

Examples of new progress (1)

• Schenke, Tribedy and Venugopalan, 2012 computed eccentricity and triangularity with IP-Glasma model



Examples of new progress (2)

 Global analysis of DIS data with rcBK solution (AAMQS) and its application to forward particle production in dAu at RHIC

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MC-DHJ/rcBK

[Fujii,Itakura,Nara, 2011,2012]

To reduce ambiguity

- construct a nucleus by randomly placing nucleons
- use AAMQS parameters for proton IC optimized for DIS at small-x
- quantum evolution is performed "locally" in b space

(to avoid IR div. in b-dep BK)



MC-DHJ/rcBK : results



- reproduce the data nicely
- \bullet AAMQS set h and rcMV for $\mathcal{N}(r,y)$
- Q_{s0A}^2 fixed by MC; no additional parameter

Best results from theoretical point of view, but still needs better (global) description including pp data (tuning of rcMV is necessary) modified MV model ($\gamma = 1.118$)

"running coupling" version of MV model [lancu-Itakura-Triantafylopoulos] : to be consistent with rcBK evolution

- Set *h* works well even in *pp*, but not as good as Albacete-Marquet
- rcMV is not "tuned" (similar param as MV)
- However, both work quite well in dAu (IC dependence reduces at high rapidity)



New ALICE data on pPb @ 5.02TeV

arXiv: 1210.4520





Summary

- CGC is the universal picture of hadrons at high energies, which appears as a result of gluon 3-point vertex. Its theoretical framework is established at the LO level, but is developing beyond the LO.
- CGC provides the initial conditions for the heavy ion collisions, and turns into Glasma. The Glasma is responsible for thermalization, but is not solved yet.
- CGC picture is getting precise and is now seriously compared with experimental data at RHIC (forward rapidity) and LHC. MC-DHJ/rcBK model works well in describing the forward dAu data.

backup

High-energy scattering

High-energy limit = "Regge limit"

total scatt. energy >> typical energy/momentum scale in reaction

