Initial-State Radiation in Proton-Nucleus Collisions

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- ♦ Radiation pattern depends on each event
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□ Long-range soft-gluon interaction:

"Talk" between hadrons before the "hard" collision

Leading power – by unitarity, higher power – suppressed

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□ Factorization (Approx.):



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Single scale pA collisions



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Resummation of $A^{1/3}$ enhanced power corrections – broadening of $< p_T >$

Single scale pA collisions



"Cold" nuclear medium – power suppressed – smaller effect at LHC

nPDFs and shadowing



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 $\diamond Z^{0}$ -p_T distribution:

Initial-state radiation (gluon shower) determines the low- p_T distribution

- \diamond Each radiation is too soft to be calculated
 - \implies Resummation of all radiations in Fourier space of P_T
- ♦ Precision tests in pp and ppbar collisions!
- $\diamond Z^0$ in pA might be the best probe of gluon antishadowing!

Early approach to resummation

□ LO Differential Q_T -distribution as $Q_T \rightarrow 0$:

with $Q^2 \approx M_W^2$

\Box Integrated Q_T -distribution (DDT formula):

Resummed Q_T distribution

 \Box Differentiate the integrated Q_T -distribution:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dydQ_T^2} \approx \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dy}\right)_{\text{Born}} \times 2C_F\left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right) \frac{\ln\left(Q^2/Q_T^2\right)}{Q_T^2} \times \exp\left[-C_F\left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)\ln^2\left(Q^2/Q_T^2\right)\right] \implies 0$$

compare to the explicit LO calculation:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dydQ_T^2} \approx \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dy}\right)_{\text{Born}} \times 2C_F\left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right) \frac{\ln\left(Q^2/Q_T^2\right)}{Q_T^2} \implies \infty$$

 Q_T -spectrum (as $Q_T \rightarrow 0$) is completely changed!

We just resummed (exponentiated) an infinite series of soft gluon emissions – double logarithms



Still a wrong Q_T -distribution

Experimental fact:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dydQ_T^2} \Rightarrow \text{finite [neither ∞ nor $0!]} \text{ as } Q_T \to 0$$

Double Leading Logarithmic Approximation (DLLA):

- Radiated gluons are both soft and collinear with strong ordering in their transverse momenta
- ♦ Ignores the overall vector momentum conservation
- $\diamond\,$ Double logs ~ random work ~ zero probability to be at Q_T = 0

DLLA over suppress small Q_T region

Resummation of uncorrelated soft gluon emission leads to too strong suppression at $Q_T=0$

Importance of momentum conservation

□ Vector momentum conservation:

Particle can receive many finite k_T kicks via soft gluon radiation, but, yet still has $Q_T=0$





 \Box Subleading logarithms are equally important at Q_T=0

□ Solution:

Impose 4-momentum conservation at each step of soft gluon resummation

CSS "b"-space resummation formalism

Leading order K_T-factorized cross section:



The Q_T -distribution is determined by the b-space function: $b W_{AB}(b,Q)$

Resummation = CS + RG equations

□ b-space distribution:

$$W_{AB}(b,Q) = \sum_{ij} W_{ij}(b,Q)\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(Q)$$

□ Collins-Soper equation:

 $\frac{\partial}{\partial \ln Q^2} \tilde{W}_{ij}(b,Q) = \left[K(b\mu,\alpha_s) + G(Q/\mu,\alpha_s) \right] \tilde{W}_{ij}(b,Q) \quad (1)$

Evolution kernels satisfy RG equation:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \mu^2} K(b\mu, \alpha_s) = -\frac{1}{2} \gamma_K(\alpha_s(\mu))$$
(2)
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \mu^2} G(Q/\mu, \alpha_s) = \frac{1}{2} \gamma_K(\alpha_s(\mu))$$
(3)

□ Solution - resummation:

$$W_{ij}(b,Q) = W_{ij}(b,1/b) e^{-S_{ij}(b,Q)}$$

Sudakov form factor All large logs

Boundary condition – perturbative if b is small!

Perturbative solution at small "b"

□ Boundary condition – collinear factorization:



$$W_{AB}^{\text{pert}}(b,Q) = \sum_{a,b,i,j} \sigma_{ij\to Z} \left[\phi_{a/A} \otimes C_{a\to i} \right] \otimes \left[\phi_{b/B} \otimes C_{b\to j} \right] \times e^{-S_{ij}(b,Q)}$$

□ Extrapolation to large-b?

Non-perturbative
Predictive power?

$$\sigma^{\text{Resum}} \propto \int_0^\infty db \, J_0(q_T \, b) b \, W(b, Q)$$

Phenomenology – uncertainty?





Resummed cross section:



$$F_{QZ}^{NP}(b,Q;b_{max}) = \exp \left\{ -\ln(\frac{Q^2 b_{max}^2}{c^2}) \left[g_1 \left((b^2)^{\alpha} - (b_{max}^2)^{\alpha} \right) \right] \right\}$$

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Phenomenology – Tevatron



No free fitting parameter!

Phenomenology – Z⁰ @ LHC

Kang, Qiu, 2012



Effectively NO non-perturbative uncertainty!

Nuclear dependence in pPb

Resummed partonic hard parts are insensitive to A:

$$W_{AB}^{\text{pert}}(b,Q) = \sum_{a,b,i,j} \sigma_{ij\to Z} \left[\phi_{a/A} \otimes C_{a\to i} \right] \otimes \left[\phi_{b/B} \otimes C_{b\to j} \right] \times e^{-S_{ij}(b,Q)}$$

Only source of A-dependence is from nPDFs

□ Large-b non-perturbative parts are sensitive to A:

$$W^{\text{Nonpert}}(b,Q) = W^{\text{pert}}(b_{max},Q) F_{QZ}^{NP}(b,Q,b_{max})$$

$$F_{QZ}^{NP}(b,Q;b_{max}) = \exp \left\{ -\ln(\frac{Q^2 b_{max}^2}{c^2}) \left[g_1 \left((b^2)^{\alpha} - (b_{max}^2)^{\alpha} \right) \right] \text{Leading twist} + g_2 \left(b^2 - b_{max}^2 \right) \right] \text{Leading twist}$$

$$-\bar{g}_2 \left(b^2 - b_{max}^2 \right) \right\} \text{Dynamical power corrections}$$

 \Box g₂ = Power correction to evolution of K and G:

$$g_2 \propto Q_s^2$$
 $g_2 \Rightarrow g_2 A^{1/3}$



$$\mu = \frac{C_2}{b} \approx \frac{1}{b} > b_{max}^{-1} > 1 - 2 \text{ GeV}$$

Cover nPDFs for a much wider range of Q (or μ)!

Strong shadowing and antishadowing effect for Z⁰ – production!

Nuclear PDFs – the "gluon"

□ NLO global fitted nPDFs:



\diamond Huge differences in nuclear gluon distributions

Large antishadowing in EPS09, but, almost none in nPDFs of nDS

Predictions – pPb @ LHC

□ "Discovering" the antishadowing?



A^{1/3}-type power correction has almost "NO" effect! (large Q!)

Summary

□ Initial-state radiation pattern depends on observables/events

- Observables with two scales (large + small) are sensitive to initial-state gluon radiation/shower
- \Box Z⁰ production is an excellent benchmark for testing QCD
- \Box R_{pA} of Z⁰ production vs p_T is an ideal probe of nuclear gluons (sensitive to both shadowing and and antishadowing)

Theoretical calculation is insensitive to non-perturbative physics other than nPDFs (stronger gluon shower)!

Thank you!