Di-photon and photon-hadron correlations at the LHC

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- Motivation, introduction to Color-Glass-Condensate (CGC)/saturation.
- Why di-photon and photon-hadron production in p+A collisions can be considered as golden channels to discriminate among different scenarios?.
- Di-photon and photon-hadron production in high-energy p+A collisions from the CGC.

Road map of strong interaction



 Is the CGC perturbative approach reliable & systematic at the small-x? Yes.

• What are the signatures of the gluon saturation phenomenon at HERA, RHIC, LHC, LHeC, EIC and FCC? See talk by: Nestor Armesto

p+p@LHC from the CGC/saturation



Comparing CGC predictions with 7 TeV data: Levin, Rezaeian, arXiv:1005.0631

 k_T -factorization+ the dipole scattering amplitude constrained by DIS data.

p+A@LHC from the CGC/saturation



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What is origin of the observed Ridge phenomenon in p+p(A) collisions?





- Does the ridge phenomenon in p+p(A) collisions mainly come from initial-state or final-state effects?
- Is the "ridge" universal phenomenon for all different two-particle productions in p+p(A) collisions?
- What is nature of high multiplicity events in p+p(A) collisions?

Measurements of di-photon and photon-hadron correlations in p+p(A) collisions can address these questions.

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Dihadron v. photon-hadron v. diphoton production in the CGC



 Soft gluons are scattered out of the projectile wave function by directly scattering on a saturated target.

Photons do not scatter themselves, but rather decohere from the scattered quarks.

- Virtual photons do not directly interact with the gluons inside target.
- Final-state effects are absent in the photon production, no initial-final state interference, and no hadronization.

Inclusive prompt photon v. hadron production



- Photons can be produced at different stages of collisions (prompt, thermal, decay). Here I only discuss prompt photon coming from hard collisions in small-x region.
- In AA collisions all hadrons are strongly quenched except prompt photon → prompt photon can be a good probe of initial-state effects.

Semi-inclusive prompt photon-hadron production in p+A collisions



Gelis, Jalilian-Marian, hep-ph/0205037; Baier, Mueller, Schiff, hep-ph/0403201; Jalilian-Marian, Rezaeian, arXiv:1204.1319; Kovner, Rezaeian, arXiv:1404.5632.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma^{p\,A \to h(p^{h})\,\gamma(p^{\gamma})\,X}}{d^{2}\mathbf{b_{T}}\,d^{2}\mathbf{p_{T}}\,^{\gamma}\,d^{2}\mathbf{p_{T}}\,^{h}\,d\eta_{\gamma}\,d\eta_{h}} &= \frac{e_{q}^{2}\,\alpha_{em}}{\sqrt{2}(4\pi^{4})}\int_{z_{T}^{pin}}^{1}\frac{dz_{f}}{z_{f}^{2}}\int\,dx_{q}\,f_{q}(x_{q},Q^{2})\frac{1+(\frac{l^{-}}{k^{-}})^{2}}{[p^{-}\mathbf{l_{T}}-l^{-}\mathbf{p_{T}}\gamma]^{2}}N_{F}(|\mathbf{l_{T}}+\mathbf{p_{T}}^{\gamma}|,x_{g})D_{h/q}(z_{f},Q^{2})\\ \delta[x_{q}-\frac{l_{T}}{\sqrt{5}}e^{\eta_{h}}-\frac{p_{T}^{\gamma}}{\sqrt{5}}e^{\eta_{\gamma}}]\Big[2l^{-}p^{-}\mathbf{l_{T}}\cdot\mathbf{p_{T}}^{\gamma}+p^{-}(k^{-}-p^{-})\,l_{T}^{2}+l^{-}(k^{-}-l^{-})\,(p_{T}^{\gamma})^{2}\Big]\frac{p^{-}}{(p_{T}^{\gamma})^{2}\sqrt{5}}\\ \frac{\partial N_{A}(F)(\mathbf{r},x)}{\partial\ln(x_{0}/x)} &= \int d^{2}\mathbf{r}_{1}\,K^{\mathrm{run}}(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}_{1},\mathbf{r}_{2})\left[N_{A}(F)(\mathbf{r}_{1},x)+N_{A}(F)(\mathbf{r}_{2},x)-N_{A}(F)(\mathbf{r},x)-N_{A}(F)(\mathbf{r}_{1},x)N_{A}(F)(\mathbf{r}_{2},x)\right]\end{aligned}$$

Inclusive di-photon production in p+A collisions from the CGC



$$\frac{d\sigma^{pA \to h(q')\gamma(k_1)\gamma(k_2)X}}{d^2\mathbf{b}d^2\mathbf{k}_{1T}d\eta_1d^2\mathbf{k}_{2T}d\eta_2} = \alpha_{em}^2 \int_{x_q^{min}}^{1} dx_q f(x_q, \mu_l^2) \int d^2 I_T \mathcal{H}\left(k_1, k_2, l, \zeta_1, \zeta_2\right) N_F(I_T, \mathbf{x}_g)$$

- Soft approximation (radiated photons are soft compared to momentum transfer to target): In soft approximation: \mathcal{H} is a few lines formula. Kovner and Rezaeian, arXiv:1404.5632.
- Full calculation in p+A collisions at LO: *H* is a few pages formula, Kovner and Rezaeian, arXiv:1508.02412.
 In this talk I show the numerical results of complete calculation.

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Inclusive prompt di-photon production in high-energy p+A collisions



Both single and double fragmentation di-photon contributions, as well direct di-photon part are sensitive to the saturation dynamics via $N_F(x_g, l_T)$.

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Inclusive di-photon production in p+p collisions (pQCD:NLO)



 $\frac{d\sigma^{pA\to\gamma(k_1)\gamma(k_2)X}}{d^2\mathbf{k}_{1T}d\eta_{\gamma_1}d^2\mathbf{k}_{2T}d\eta_{\gamma_2}} = \frac{d\sigma^{\text{Direct}}}{d^2\mathbf{k}_{1T}d\eta_{\gamma_1}d^2\mathbf{k}_{2T}d\eta_{\gamma_2}} + \frac{d\sigma^{\text{Fragmentation}}}{d^2\mathbf{k}_{1T}d\eta_{\gamma_1}d^2\mathbf{k}_{2T}d\eta_{\gamma_2}}.$

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Two-particle production in p+A collisions from the CGC



Weizsacker–Williams (WW) gluon distribution (quadropole) counts the number of gluons (never measured) $Color\ dipole\ gluon\ distribution\ (dipole)$ appears in $F_2\,$, $F_L\,$ structure functions (measured)

Dihadron v. photon-hadron v. diphoton production in the CGC

 In contrast to dihadron production, photon-hadron and diphoton cross section depend only on the dipole amplitude (not WW gluon distribution).

Direct photon production at the LHC in p+A collisions from the CGC



Prompt photons at forward rapidities in p+A collisions at the LHC are subject to suppression due to the gluon saturation.

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Trigger particle is a prompt photon:

$$CP_h(\Delta\phi) = N_h^{\text{pair}}(\Delta\phi)/N_{\text{photon}}$$

Trigger particle is a hadron:

$${\it CP}_\gamma(\Delta\phi) ~=~ {\it N}_\gamma^{\sf pair}(\Delta\phi)/{\it N}_{\sf hadron}$$

Rezaeian, PRD86, arXiv:1209.0478

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$\gamma - \pi^0$ away-side decorrelations in p+A collisions



Existence of the saturation scale unbalances the back-to-back correlations.

- Denser nuclei or/and Higher energy or/and Lower transverse momentum
 → larger saturation scale → more suppression of away-side correlations.
- The double peak structure becomes stronger and wider at forward rapidities.

Rezaeian, PRD86, arXiv:1209.0478



• No ridge-like structure at the near-side for photon-hadron correlations in p+p and p+A collisions at RHIC and the LHC.

Inclusive di-photon production in p+A collisions from the CGC

Kovner and Rezaeian, arXiv:1508.02412.



$$\begin{split} \frac{d\sigma^{pA \to h(q')\gamma(k_1)\gamma(k_2)X}}{d^2 \mathbf{b} d^2 \mathbf{k}_{1T} d\eta_1 d^2 \mathbf{k}_{2T} d\eta_2} &= \alpha_{em}^2 \int_{x_q^{min}}^1 dx_q f(x_q, \mu_I^2) \int d^2 I_T \mathcal{H}\left(k_1, k_2, I, \zeta_1, \zeta_2\right) N_F(I_T, x_g) \\ x_g &= \frac{1}{x_q s} \Big[\frac{k_{1T}^2}{z_1} + \frac{k_{2T}^2}{z_2(1-z_1)} + \frac{|\mathbf{I}_T - \mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2|^2}{1-z_1 - z_2 + z_1 z_2} \Big], \\ \zeta_1 &= \frac{k_1^-}{p^-} = \frac{k_{1T}}{x_q \sqrt{s}} e^{\eta \gamma_1}, \\ \zeta_2 &= \frac{k_2^-}{p^- - k_1^-} = \frac{k_{2T}}{x_q(1-z_1)\sqrt{s}} e^{\eta \gamma_2} \\ x_q^{min} &= Max \left(\frac{k_{1T} e^{\eta \gamma_1}}{\sqrt{s}}, \frac{k_{2T} e^{\eta \gamma_2}}{\sqrt{s} - k_{1T} e^{\eta \gamma_1}} \right). \end{split}$$

Di-photon correlations in q+A collisions at the LHC 5 TeV



- Near-side and away-side correlations are enhanced at small x_q → 0 or large ζ₁, ζ₂ → 1. At large x_q, near-side correlations diminish and only away-side peak survives.
- Near-side correlations are enhanced while away-side correlations are suppressed by increasing the saturation scale Q_s.

Di-photon correlations in q+A collisions at the LHC 5 TeV



• At the near-side, the main contribution comes from large momentum transfer to target I_T , while away-side correlations come from low I_T .

$$\frac{d\sigma^{qA \to h(q')\gamma(k_1)\gamma(k_2)X}}{d^2\mathbf{b}d^2\mathbf{k}_{1T}d\eta_1 d^2\mathbf{k}_{2T}d\eta_2} = \alpha_{em}^2 \int_{I_T \to I_T^{Min}} d^2I_T \mathcal{H}\left(k_1, k_2, I, \zeta_1, \zeta_2\right) N_F(I_T, \mathbf{x}_g)$$

 Near-side peak mainly comes from double-fragmentation contribution while away-side peak comes from the single fragmentation contribution.

Di-photon correlations in q+A collisions at the LHC 5 TeV



 A larger saturation scale shifts the main contribution of integrand to higher *I_T* ⇒ enhances the double-fragmentation contribution and the near-side peak while suppresses the single-fragmentation contribution and the away-side correlations (unbalance the back-to-back).

Di-photon correlations in p+A collisions at the LHC



- The correlations strongly depend on the lower cut on the total transfer momentum *I_T*, and transverse momentum of the produced di-photon.
 One may enhance the near-side peak by isolation cut techniques!.
- Di-photon correlations extend up to $\Delta\eta \approx$ 2 at the LHC.

Di-photon correlations in p+A collisions at the LHC



- The near-side correlations and peak are partly washed away at the LHC by integrating over x_q (or convolution with pdf), remember only at very small x_q we have a ridge-type structure here.
- The back-to-back (de)-correlations in prompt di-photon production are suppressed by increasing the saturation scale.

Di-photon correlations in p+A collisions at the RHIC



- Di-photon correlations at near-side at the RHIC has a **ridge-like** structure: the effect is extended upto $\Delta \eta \approx 3$.
- Di-photon correlations at near-side is larger at RHIC (0.2 TeV) compared to the LHC (5 TeV).
- The di-photon ridge disappears in the non-saturation model, it shows up at intermediate energy (RHIC) and it switches itself off at very high-energy and large rapidity interval.

The origin of di-photon double-peak at $\Delta \phi = \pi$



• Local minimum: $\sigma^{\gamma\gamma}(I_T \to 0) \to 0$.

- 2 Local maximum: single-fragmentation contribution is larger at lower I_T and has a maximum at $\Delta \phi = \pi$ (back-to-back).
- Due to convolution with PDF and N(x_g, I_T), the local min and max get smeared out (the double-peak structure appears within a kinematic region).

e.g: a higher k_{1T} or k_{2T} excludes low- I_T region (condition 1) \Longrightarrow double-peak structure disappears.



The away-side double-peak structure seems to be universal for EM probes:

Di-photon correlations: Kovner and Rezaeian, arXiv:1508.02412. **Photon**- π^0 correlations: Rezaeian, arXiv:1209.0478. **Drell-Yan Lepton-pair**- π^0 correlations: Stasto, Xiao, Zaslavsky, arXiv:1204.4861.

Two-particle production in p+A collisions from the CGC



- Back-to-back correlation gets suppressed due to the saturation scale. This feature is universal to all semi-inclusive production shown above.
- The near-side correlations (the ridge) come from different mechanisms and is NOT universal.

Di-photon and photon-hadron production in p+A collisions can be considered as a golden channel to discriminate among different scenarios.

- The prompt di-photon corrections exhibit long-range in rapidity near-side azimuthal collimation ("ridge") in p+A collisions at RHIC.
- The effect disappears at the LHC or is significantly weaker at the LHC (using isolation cut techniques and criteria).
- There is no ridge effect for photon-hadron correlations.
- Prompt di-photon and photon-hadron correlations also exhibit some distinct novel features, including the emergence of away side double-peak structure at intermediate transverse momenta.