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Forward Dihadron Angular Correlations in pA collisions

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Dihadron angular correlations in forward pA collisions have been considered as one of the most sensitive observables to the gluon saturation effects. In general, both parton shower effects and saturation effects are responsible for the back-to-back dihadron angular de-correlations. Recent developments have allowed to incorporate the so-called parton shower effect, namely the Sudakov effect, into the small-x formalism [1-3]. This, in particular, will enable us to go beyond the saturation dominant region, and conduct calculations for dihadron correlation in a much wider regime where both saturation effects and Sudakov effects are important.

In this paper [4], we carry out the first detailed numerical study in this regard, and find a very good agreement with previous RHIC pp and dAu data. This study can help us to establish a baseline in pp collisions which contains little saturation effects, and further make predictions for dihadron angular correlations in pAu collisions, which will allow to search for the signal of parton saturation.

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