### UPC's and nucleon and nuclear structure

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### Outline

### UPC measurements and theory issues

- Exclusive vector mesons: cross sections
  - Nuclear gluon distribution?
  - Species dependence: meson wavefunctions
- Geometry: t-dependence, coherent vs incoherent
- Inclusive: dijets

### What can be done at EIC, but not with UPC

- Nucleon/nucleus imaging
- Access to saturation physics
- More processes and kinematics, examples
  - Inclusive hard diffraction
  - Q<sup>2</sup> dependence in exclusive processes
  - Measure intrinsic  $k_T (\sim Q_s)$

### What is an UPC?

- Range of strong interaction  $\sim 1/m_{\pi} \sim 1 \text{fm}$
- Range of e. mag. force  $\infty$
- ► AA collision with impact parameter b > 2R<sub>A</sub> ⇒ photon-nucleus collision ⇒ Just like DIS, only Q<sup>2</sup> = 0
- Look for exclusive events: at least one A intact

### Weak coupling QCD?

- In DIS: Q<sup>2</sup> provides hard scale
- ▶ In UPC: hard scale e.g. from heavy quark, jets

Many measurements of "soft" observables: not covered here



 $\implies$  QCD perturbation theory

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### Exclusive processes

- UPC's small part of cross section in hadron colliders: need to trigger to find them
- Easiest (?) for fully exclusive, e.g. vector meson  $\gamma + A \rightarrow V + A$
- "two muons in an otherwise empty detector"



ALICE event display,  $J/\Psi 
ightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ 

### UPC results so far, vector mesons



ALICE

 $\gamma + A \rightarrow J/\Psi + A$ , rapidity



CMS

+ photon flux: extract  $W^2$  dependence, here  $\gamma + p \rightarrow \Upsilon + p$ 

UPC: highest energy  $\gamma$ -scattering data we have: very valuable!

### Counting color: normalization

### Measure gluon distribution?

Formula often quoted by UPC experimentalists

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\gamma^*H\to VH}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{16\pi^3 \alpha_{\mathrm{s}}^2 \Gamma_{ee}}{3\alpha_{\mathrm{em}} M_V^5} \left[ xg(x, Q^2) \right]^2$$

Certainly XVMP constrains gluons at small x,

but (as people here know well)

Measurement is GPD,

relation to  $[xg(x, Q^2)]^2$  model dependent

⇒ UPC's cannot be included in **rigorous** pdf fit

- But since  $\nexists$  other data for small x nuclear gluon, still try:
  - Fit normalization to HERA exclusive data (AB,RSZ)

⇒ Access gluon shadowing in nucleus

Separate pdf set (JMRT)

### Dipole picture: universality

 $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{b}_{T}, \mathbf{r}_{T})$  = elastic forward scattering amplitude of  $q\bar{q}$  dipole. (Optical theorem: ~ total cross section)



From same  ${\cal N}$  calculate different processes in DIS:

- Total  $\gamma^* p / \gamma^* A$ :  $\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\gamma^* H} = 2 |\Psi(\gamma^* \to q\bar{q})|^2 \otimes \int d^2 \mathbf{b}_T \mathcal{N}$
- ► Total diffraction:  $\frac{d\sigma^{\gamma^*H \to X+H}}{dt} = \frac{1}{4\pi} |\Psi(\gamma^* \to q\bar{q})|^2 \otimes |\mathcal{N}(\Delta_T)|^2$ , ► Exclusive vector mesons:

$$rac{\mathsf{d}\sigma^{\gamma^{*}H
ightarrow VH}}{\mathsf{d}t} = rac{1}{4\pi} \left| \Psi(\gamma^{*}
ightarrow qar{q}) \otimes \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{\Delta}_{T}) \otimes \Psi^{*}(qar{q}
ightarrow V) 
ight|^{2}$$

+ particle production and correlations in pp, pA, AA !

 $\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}t} \sim (xg(x, Q^2))^2 \quad \text{is hard limit} \quad \mathcal{N} \sim \alpha_{\mathrm{s}}(\mu^2) xg(x, \mu^2) \mathbf{r}_{7}^2 \qquad 7/20$ 

### Lessons from ALICE data so far



Run 1:

- Certainly there is gluon shadowing (MSTW08 outruled)
- Cross section smaller than dipole models generically predict (LM,GM)
- But not as much as indicated by RHIC fwd π<sup>0</sup> data (EPS08)

#### Run 2:

 Dipole models working even better

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### Dipole $\implies$ vector meson transition

QCD bound state systematics

Also need transition between  $q\bar{q}$  pair and vector meson: Meson light cone wave function



$$|V\rangle = \int dz d^2 \mathbf{r}_T \Psi_V(\mathbf{r}_T, \mathbf{z}) \left| q\left(z, \mathbf{b}_T + \frac{\mathbf{r}_T}{2}\right) \bar{q}\left(1 - z, \mathbf{b}_T - \frac{\mathbf{r}_T}{2}\right) \right\rangle + \dots$$

- NR bound state ...
- Phenomenological parametrizations, e.g. "BG" & "Gaus-LC"

Figure: Kowalski, Motyka, Watt

 AdS/CFT LF potential models sandapen et al., Yang Li et al.



UPC ( $Q^2 = 0$ ) much more sensitive to wave function than DIS

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#### Small update on experimental status:

ALICE Run 1 reported very large

 $\frac{\sigma(\Psi(2S))}{\sigma(J/\Psi)}$ 

 $\implies$  This seems (???) now to go down to HERA values in Run 2



### Imaging transverse geometry of gluons

Elastic scattering: Fourier transform of gluon distribution



Coherent target intact; total gluons integrated over  $\perp$  plane Incoherent target breaks without color exchange: spatial structure at  $\sim$  nucleon radius

+ Same hierarchy repeated at higher |t| for nucleon breakup

- Average & fluctuations: important for heavy ions
- Black disk: no  $R_p$ -scale structure  $\implies$  no incoherent
- Saturation/shadowing changes t-distribution (p and A)

### Coherent & incoherent in Glauber model

$$\mathcal{N}_{\rm coh} = \int_{Z, \mathbf{r}_{\rm T}, \mathbf{b}_{\rm T}} e^{-i\mathbf{b}_{\rm T}\cdot\mathbf{\Delta}_{\rm T}} [\Psi_{\rm V}^*\Psi] \quad 2[1 - \exp\{-A\mathcal{T}_{\rm A}(b)\sigma_{\rm P}(r)/2\}]$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\mathrm{incoh}}}{\mathrm{d}t} = A \int \mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{b}_{T} \mathcal{T}_{A}(\mathbf{b}_{T}) \left| \int_{z,\mathbf{r}_{T}} [\Psi_{V}^{*}\Psi] \mathcal{N}_{P}(r) \exp\left\{-A \mathcal{T}_{A}(b)\sigma_{P}(r)/2\right\} \right|^{2}$$

Coherent  $1 - \exp(-\sigma AT_A)$ , amplitude reduces to  $A \times$  proton in dilute limit  $\sigma \rightarrow 0$ .

Incoherent  $\sim A \times \sigma$  for proton, times nuclear attenuation factor (must *not* scatter inelastically off the other A - 1 nucleons)

Form of nuclear attenuation different

 $1 - \exp(-\sigma)$  vs.  $\sigma \exp(-\sigma)$ 

### UPC geometry/imaging results so far

#### ALICE: coherent & incoherent



Nuclear effects very different → Important constraint

#### LHC $\gamma + p$ with proton breakup: No cross section at small x



#### Here ALICE, also CMS similar

Effect bigger than expected

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### Inclusive $\gamma A$

- At Quark Matter 2017, ATLAS reported measurement of UPC  $\gamma + A \rightarrow 2j + X$
- Still preliminary; how accurate will this be (expt situation not as clean as DIS)?

# First inclusive $\gamma + A$ with UPC!

But what exactly can be triggered? Does one get access to semihard ~ saturation scales?



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# UPC's and EIC

### EIC vs UPCs: Imaging

- t-distribution  $\implies$  geometry
  - ▶ In photoproduction easy (?) because get t from VM p<sub>T</sub>
  - But certainly EIC detector designed for imaging can do better (?)
- Nuclear breakup: connect to nuclear structure theory
  - Already ALICE measures "nuclear breakup after coherent process"
  - For EIC definition of coherent/incoherent is not t-distribution, but what, and how to calculate?



 $\implies$  Challenge for theorists

- UPC's limited by what can be triggered:
  - Much broader range of measurements at EIC
  - With few data points, UPC's used to validate models (collinear, dipole) in stead of parametrizing & fitting GPD's

### EIC vs UPCs: Gluon saturation & nonlinearity

What to look for experimentally?

- Characteristic transverse momentum scale Q<sub>s</sub> which is semihard ⇒ can understand in weak coupling
- One consequence: evolution equations (BK, JIMWLK); calculate energy (x) dependence of cross sections in weak coupling, from first principles
  - $\blacktriangleright$  Verifying requires  $\gtrsim$  LHC energy, not with EIC
  - But can probably always fit energy dependence with DGLAP, conclusive?
- Broader view:

Existence of  $Q_s \implies$  classical color field picture, allows **consistent description of several processes** as long as x is small enough (EIC)

- Look for intrinsic transverse momentum:  $Q_s$  is  $p_T$  scale!
- Vary  $Q^2$  to turn nonlinearities off/on
- ► Look for 2d phase space: x- and  $Q^2$  dependence ⇒ verify  $Q_s$  grows with energy, not constant as  $\Lambda_{QCD}$

### Signals of saturation? Inclusive diffraction

Sat vs nonsat: differences much more drastic in diffractive DIS



EIC white paper arXiv:1212.1701 : eA/ep ratios

- ► Generically:  $\sigma_{\text{diff}}^{\gamma^*h}/\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\gamma^*h}$  maximal at unitarity limit. Lots of diffraction at high  $Q^2 \implies$  saturation IHMO: closest thing to "smoking gun".
- Caveat: "nonsat" calculations easily unrealistic straw men.

### Dependence on Q<sup>2</sup>

An example in diffractive vector meson production



T.L., H. Mäntysaari, R. Venugopalan PRL 2015: Central/minimum bias double ratio for vector mesons in incoherent diffractive nuclear DIS Saturation turning off with increasing Q<sup>2</sup>

### Signals of saturation? Dihadron correlations

Q<sub>s</sub> is intrinsic transverse momentum scale:

- Measure in correlations of few GeV particles: can you trigger on this in UPC? (in principle maybe yes)
- Need to understand both x and Q<sup>2</sup> dependence of effects



Aschenauer et al arXiv:1403:2413 DIS dihadron angular correlation

### Summary UPC's are precursor to EIC

- Active program in 4 LHC experiments, and RHIC
  - So far moistly exclusive vector mesons
  - Other processes becoming available
- Advantages:
  - High collision energy
  - Happening now
- Disadvantages:
  - More limited kinematics: Q<sup>2</sup>, t resolution
  - More limited set of processes accessible
     but program expanding!



#### Backups

### Diffractive structure function

$$F_2^D(x=x_{\mathbb{P}}eta,eta,{\mathbb{Q}}^2)$$
 ;  $\int \mathrm{d}t$ 

In dipole picture:  $\beta \sim 1/M_X^2$ 

- Small  $\beta \ll 1$ : dominated by higher Fock ( $q\bar{q}g$  etc.)
- Medium β ~ 0.5: dominated by transverse qq
- Large  $\beta \rightarrow 1$ : longitudinal  $q\bar{q}$ .



### Inclusive diffraction, nuclear suppression

Kowalski, T.L., Marquet, Venugopalan 2008

#### Essential regimes:

- Small β ≪ 1: qāg strongly suppressed (black disk limit)
- Medium β ~ 0.5: transverse qq
   q
   q
   enhanced.
- Large  $\beta \rightarrow 1$ : longitudinal  $q\bar{q}$  very much enhanced.



### Dipole cross section in CGC

High energy/small x: quark interacts with target via eikonal Wilson line in strong color field



CGC: dipole cross section is Wilson line correlator

$$\sigma_{q\bar{q}}(\mathbf{r}_{\bar{l}}) = \int d^{2}\mathbf{b}_{\bar{l}} \frac{1}{N_{c}} \operatorname{Tr} \left\langle 1 - U^{\dagger} \left( \mathbf{b}_{\bar{l}} + \frac{\mathbf{r}_{\bar{l}}}{2} \right) U \left( \mathbf{b}_{\bar{l}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{\bar{l}}}{2} \right) \right\rangle$$
$$U(\mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}}) = P \exp \left\{ ig \int dx^{-} A_{cov}^{+}(\mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}}, x^{-}) \right\}$$

 High energy: energy dependence from JIMWLK (for U) or BK (for σ<sub>qā</sub>) equations

# Dipole cross section in the dilute limit

Connection to pdf's

- σ<sub>qq̄</sub>: elastic scattering amplitude: color neutral state out
   ⇒ Exchange vacuum quantum numbers; "pomeron"
- Simplest color neutral QCD state:
- 2-gluon exchange in amplitude
   ~ 1-gluon cross section
   ⇒ gluon distribution



Perturbative estimate; valid for small dipoles

$$\sigma_{q\bar{q}}(\mathbf{r}_{T}) = \frac{\pi^{2}}{N_{c}} \alpha_{s}(\mu^{2}) X g(x,\mu^{2}) \mathbf{r}_{T}^{2}$$

### Dipole model hard limit

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\gamma^*H\to VH}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left| \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}z \, \mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{r}_T \Psi(\gamma^* \to q\bar{q}) \otimes \Psi^*(q\bar{q} \to V) \otimes \mathcal{N} \right|^2$$

• Heavy meson small  $\implies r \sim 1/M_V$ 

•  $\Psi(q\bar{q} \rightarrow V)$  at r = 0 is related to  $V \rightarrow e^+e^-$  decay width  $\Gamma_{ee}$ 

$$f_{V} = \frac{e_{f}N_{c}}{\pi} \int_{0}^{1} dz \Psi_{V}(\mathbf{r}_{T}, z) \Big|_{\mathbf{r}_{T} \to 0} \qquad \Gamma_{ee} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_{e.m.}f_{V}^{2}}{3M_{V}}$$

(This simple form for longitudinal polarization, similar relation for transverse)

• With  $r \ll 1/Q_s \implies N \sim \frac{\pi^2}{2N_c} \alpha_s x g(x, \mu^2) \mathbf{r}_T^2$  get famous formula:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{\gamma^*H\to VH}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{16\pi^3\alpha_{\rm s}^2\Gamma_{ee}}{3\alpha_{\rm em}M_V^5} \left[xg(x,Q^2)\right]^2 \quad \text{this is a dipole model result}$$

Derived by Ryskin; Brodsky, Frankfurt, Gunion, Mueller, Strikman

Used e.g. by Adeluyi, Bertulani, Nguyen (AB/AN) & Rebyakova, Strikman, Zhalov (RSZ)

- ► All *r* shadowed similarly, scale dependence only  $xg(x, Q^2)$
- In practice usually fit normalization, e.g. to HERA