Hadronization in the Nuclear Medium: Exploring Fundamental QCD Processes Using New Experimental Tools

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#### Mechanisms

 Hadrons from quarks and gluons? Go beyond the string/cluster dichotomy for QCD cascade? How target baryon wavefunction recovers from losing struck quark? New fragmentation functions for proton and nuclear targets

Measure: two-hadron correlations, photon-hadron correlations, target fragmentation, hadron yields

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## Timescales - how to measure?



First observable: multiplicity ratio  $R_{h} = \frac{\frac{1}{N_{e}^{A}(Q^{2},\nu)} N_{h}^{A}(Q^{2},\nu,z,p_{T},\phi)}{\frac{1}{N_{e}^{D}(Q^{2},\nu)} N_{h}^{D}(Q^{2},\nu,z,p_{T},\phi)}$ 

Expectations: riseightarrow 1 at high u

**Time dialation**, average pathlength in the medium

 $z \equiv \frac{E_{hadron}}{\nu}$ 0 < z < 1



K.Gallmeister, U.Mosel, Nucl.Phys.A801:68-79,2008, arXiv:nucl-th/0701064, time-based interpretation

## Lund string model time estimate



• Virtual quark lifetime component, light quarks

• z dependence

2.0<Q<sup>2</sup><3.0 3.4<v<4.0





Expectation: drop at high z

Expectation: drop at low z, but obscured by other effects for  $R_A$ 

Maximum lifetime is at intermediate z

# Partonic energy loss in pQCD: L<sub>crit</sub>



Hadronization in Nuclei

## Energy loss in hot dense matter



Zapp and Wiedemann find L<sup>2</sup> behavior washed out in realistic Monte Carlo calculation for hot dense matter

also, find more energy loss

arXiv:1202.1192v1 [hep-ph] arXiv:1311.0048v1 [hep-ph]

## Partonic energy loss in pQCD: Ecrit



## Direct measurement of $\Delta E$ ?



- Still in early stages, but ~150 MeV for Pb; consistent
- If correct, can study extensively at 12 GeV may grow to 0.5-1 GeV shift, easily measured

# Energy loss induces additional pT broadening

#### A large radiative correction to $\hat{q}$

- $\hat{q}$  : the result of collisions in the medium ... but not only !
- Gluon emissions contribute to momentum broadening, via their recoil !



• Dominant effect from relatively hard emissions (large  $k_{\perp}$ ), as triggered by a single scattering (Gunion–Bertsch spectrum)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}\omega\,\mathrm{d}^2\boldsymbol{k}} \simeq \frac{\alpha_s}{\omega}\frac{\hat{q}L}{k_{\perp}^4} \implies \langle p_{\perp}^2 \rangle_{\mathrm{rad}} \sim L\,\alpha_s\hat{q}\int \frac{\mathrm{d}\omega}{\omega}\int \frac{\mathrm{d}k_{\perp}^2}{k_{\perp}^4} \equiv L\,\Delta\hat{q}$$

• Formally NLO but enhanced by a double-log (Liou, Mueller, Wu, 13)

$$\frac{\Delta \hat{q}}{\hat{q}} \simeq \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \ln^2(LT) \simeq 0.75 \ (!) \Longrightarrow$$
 need for resummation

Hard Probes, Stellenbosh, Nov. 2013 From Jet Quenching to Wave Turbulence

$$\left\langle p_{\perp}^{2}\right\rangle =\frac{\alpha_{s}N_{c}}{4\pi}\hat{q}L\ln^{2}\left(\frac{L}{l_{0}}\right)^{2}. \label{eq:plus_linear}$$

Double log enhancement: ~**doubles** the amount of broadening seen, both hot and cold matter. Effect may be visible in CLAS data, see later slides

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<u>Tseh Liou, A.H. Mueller, Bin Wu, http://arxiv.org/abs/1304.7677</u>



#### **Observables:** Transverse Momentum Broadening

$$\Delta p_T^2 \equiv \langle p_T^2 \rangle_A - \langle p_T^2 \rangle_D$$



No time to discuss other DIS observables: multi-hadron multiplicity ratios, photon-hadron correlations, Bose-Einstein correlations, centrality correlations, more....

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#### Quark dE/dx effects

2) Assume saturation is due to two effects: (a) dE/dx behavior *plus* (b) stimulation of additional broadening by gluon emission



$$E_{crit} \approx 0.4 \cdot (\frac{L}{1 \ fm})^2 \quad GeV$$

The two mechanisms (time dialation and dE/dx effects) should be separable with 12 GeV JLab

|                            | Carbon | Iron | Lead |  |
|----------------------------|--------|------|------|--|
| E <sub>crit</sub><br>(GeV) | 2.5    | 7.I  | 17   |  |
| $<\Delta E >$ ratio to C   | Ι      | 1.8  | 2.8  |  |



Small effect in the right direction visible from this toy calculation. Offset also moves in correct direction. Stimulation of additional broadening will amplify this effect.

#### **Dependence of p**<sub>T</sub> **broadening on Feynman x**



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#### p<sub>T</sub><sup>2</sup> Broadening vs. Hadron Energy

















## Strangeness@12 GeV - what will it bring?

- Crucially important information on mass dependence of hadron formation in two-quark systems
- Answer the question: is production length hadron independent?
- First look at p<sub>T</sub> broadening in 2-quark system of 1 GeV mass (φ meson). Terra incognita. Can't do omega or eta broadening. Strangeness is crucial here.
- Probe fragmentation mechanism for leading vs. nonleading particles (K<sup>+</sup> vs. K<sup>-</sup>) via p<sub>T</sub> broadening in nuclei. (less broadening for K<sup>-</sup>? overall string shorter)
- Cleaner access to high momentum identified hadrons, crucial for needed kinematic reach

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#### Actively underway with existing 5 GeV data

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Hadron Mass

Systematic study of hadron species (in)dependence of p⊤ broadening Do we have a partonic probe? if so, a vast program of studies!

Hadron Mass (binned in z, v)

#### New $\pi^0$ hadron multiplicity ratios from CLAS PhD thesis of Taisiya Mineeva





3-fold differential, z dependence vs. v and  $Q^2$ 

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#### 3-fold differential, $p_T$ dependence vs. v and z



#### **Parton Propagation in Three Processes**



Accardi, Arleo, Brooks, d'Enterria, Muccifora Riv.Nuovo Cim.032:439-553,2010 [arXiv:0907.3534] Majumder, van Leuween, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. A66:41, 2011, arXiv:1002.2206 [hep-ph] S. Peigne, A.V. Smilga, Phys.Usp.52:659-685, 2009, arXiv:0810.5702v2 [hep-ph]

#### More mysteries of parton propagation at 5 TeV from Hard Probes 2013 Just released last week by ATLAS and CMS, p+Pb collisions at 5 TeV cm energy



Nuclei do not get simpler at higher energies!

### Conclusions

- Rich program of measurements with the long-term goal of understanding parton propagation and hadron formation in QCD, a fundamental sector of the theory
  - in stage now of developing an understanding of the tools
- Enhancement from K and  $\phi$  bring profound and conclusive impact
  - hadron formation lengths
  - degree to which p<sub>T</sub> broadening characterizes a hadronindependent partonic probe
- I2 GeV program, and the future EIC, will close the book on timescales and coherence in QCD fragmentation (vacuum, cold medium). And, perhaps on fragmentation mechanisms!

# Backup Slides



Access to very strong, unique light quark energy loss signature via D<sup>0</sup> heavy meson. Compare to s and c quark energy loss in  $D_s^+$ 

 $D^0$ 

0.8

Ζ

0.4

0.6

#### Formation zone - QCD and QED



- Truncated field following hard interaction
- Quark/prehadon 'protected' from interaction for a long time
- Radiation (gluons and photons) into two cones



### **Multiple scattering and interference**



#### Landau-Pomeranchuk-Migdal (LPM) effect (QED and QCD)



Subsequent radiation suppressed if gluon not fully formed
Resulting energy loss proportional to path length L or L<sup>2</sup>

Emergence of hadrons from QCD color





Hermes 2-D studies of multiplicity ratios for  $\pi$ ,K,p Eur. Phys. J. A (2011) 47: 113

#### Hermes p<sub>T</sub> broadening data

World's first comparison between pion and K<sup>+</sup> p<sub>T</sub> broadening




# **Factorization and interpretability**

Hall C data

Precocious factorization Limited deviation



T. Navasardyan, et al., PRL 98, 022001 (2007)

# Quark $k_T$ broadening vs. hadron $p_T$ broadening

The  $k_T$  broadening experienced by a quark is "diluted" in the fragmention process



Verified for pions to 5-10% accuracy for vacuum case, z=0.4-0.7, by Monte Carlo studies

Basic questions at low energies:

Partonic processes dominate, or hadronic? in which kinematic regime? classical or quantum?

Can identify dominant hadronization mechanisms, uniquely? what are the roles of flavor and mass?

What can we infer about fundamental QCD processes by observing the interaction with the nucleus?

If  $p_T$  broadening uniquely signals the partonic stage, can use this as one tool to answer these questions

# **Color correlations versus kinematics**

Even if hadron forms outside medium, it may form from modified color connection

• <u>Vacuum-like hadronization</u> (q & g contribute to leading hadron)



• <u>Medium-modified hadronization</u> (glue cannot contribute to leading hadron)



- Subleading string hadronizes separately
  -> enhanced soft multiplicity
- Leading string hadronizes vacuum-like but with reduced  $E_T$
- Color connection between medium and probe also relevant for Quarkonium suppression

#### U.A.Wiedemann talk at QM2012





3-dimensional CLAS multiplicity ratios, fully corrected for radiative processes and acceptance, normalized to target thicknesses; C, Fe, Pb (3 of many such plots) also, K<sup>0</sup>, π<sup>0</sup>, π<sup>-</sup>

#### HERMES, JLAB6, JLAB12, p-A, EIC

- Two different explanations for HERMES data, no definitive differentiation yet
- Parton energy loss, pre-hadron interaction with medium
- Models based on one view or the other, or a mixture, all describe the data at a similar level of quality
- EIC important to make a clear separation between hadronic and partonic effects

# Production length $l_p$ (~ $\Delta p_T^2$ for thick medium String Model production length, Biallas and Gyulassy, Nucl. Phys. B291 (1987) 793 $l_p = z \frac{(ln(\frac{1}{z^2}) - 1 + z^2)}{1 - z^2}$ 0.2 0.1

0.3

0.4

Additional  $z^2$  factor converts quark broadening into hadron broadening expect to see the red curve in data (vs. z)

0.5

0.6

0.7

0.8

0.9

 $Z_{\pi}$ 

 $z^{2}l_{p} = z^{2} \cdot z \frac{\left(ln(\frac{1}{z^{2}}) - 1 + z^{2}\right)}{1 - z^{2}}$ 

#### Deep Inelastic Scattering - Vacuum



- *production time* t<sub>p</sub> propagating quark
- *formation time*  ${}^{h}t_{f}$  dipole grows to hadron
- partonic energy loss dE/dx via gluon radiation in vacuum

### Exploring nuclei with partonic probes

• x>0.1

*– ensures single quark propagating with initial energy* v

- p<sub>T</sub> broadening tags propagation of colored object
  *extraction of "production time"/"color neutralization time" at low v*
- inference of partonic broadening from hadronic broadening

- requires factor of  $z^2$ 

 systematic studies needed to understand properties of the probe, currently ongoing *– HERMES, JLab6, JLab12 provide the foundation for EIC studies*