NUCLEAR MODIFICATION ON PARTICLE PRODUCTION & ISOSPIN EFFECT

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... and now, something completely different ...



In Tokaj, the the pieces of grapes become 'slightly' different, like protons and neutrons inside the nucleus at the initial state.

...this small difference can result 'some' modifications at the final state production. Modifications can be tested in comparisions.

Here we can measure the VMF – vine modification factor, which magnifies the differences of the pieces of grapes. Enjoy the aszú, the "Vinum Regum, Rex Vinorum" and then, test & measure the isospin effect via R_{dA} in pp, np or dd.





- **0.** Motivation effects on R_{dA} at high p_T
 - EMC effect at high- p_T at RHIC and LHC?
 - Direct γ is always tricky: R_{dAu} and R_{AuAu} at high- p_T ...
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MOTIVATION – test on RHIC data

PHENIX π^0 data in dAu

- arXiv:0801.4020v1 (2008)
- $-2-3\sigma$ effect in R_{dAu}^{π} at high p_T
- This should be the EMC effect,B.A. Cole *et al.*: hep-ph/0702101

Models vs. PHENIX data

- We have slope structure at high p_T
- This slope is linear in $\log(p_T)$
- $-\pi^0$ and γ data are similar in dAu
- Stronger effect in R^{γ}_{AuAu}





MOTIVATION – predictions for LHC

Calculations for LHC in dPb

- GGB@QM'08, x scaling in $R_{dAu}^{\pi}(x)$
- Comparison with scaled RHIC data
- HKN shadowing is a recent one, and HIJING is the strongest.

Final(?) prediction: *dPb* with HKN

- weak suppression at low p_T
- Tested also with 'cold quenching' in the GLV framework for two cases: $L/\lambda = 1$ and 3.

Is there any new effect with same strength at high p_T ?





Isospin Effects in Heavy-Ion Collisions

- a) Differences in Inelastic Cross Section (σ_{NN}^{in})
 - Small differences, but changes with the \sqrt{s}
 - The pp, nn and (pn)dd cross sections are different
- b) The 'real' isospin effect is in the PDFs – Differences in pp, nn and (pn)dd in R_{dAu}
- c) Is there isospin effect in $S_{a/A}(x)$?
 - Of course, YES! Handled differently in various shadowing parameterizations.
- d) Are there isospin differences in fragmentation function? – Can we see the effect in hadron ratios in R_{dAu} ?

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a) Differences in the Inelastic Cross Section – 1.



– At a given c.m. energy: $\sigma_{NN}^{in} = \sigma_{NN}^{tot} - \sigma_{NN}^{el}$

- But $\sigma_{pp}^{in}(\sqrt{s})$ and $\sigma_{pn}^{in}(\sqrt{s})$ are different \implies isospin effect Can we see such a small variation in e.g. R_{dAu} ? - NOT YET!

a) Differences in the Inelastic Cross Section -2.

Problems: Let's see the data above $\sqrt{s} \sim 10$ GeV

- NO measurements at these high energies, only σ_{pp}^{tot} from cosmic data
- We have nuclear physics theories for $\sigma_{nn}^{tot} ~(\approx \sigma_{pp}^{tot})$
- But, NO data for these, and even for σ_{pn}^{tot} , which has NOT ONLY the singlet channel



- However the uncertainty is huge, especially in σ_{NN}^{el} , we can make parameterization for ~TeV energies – without isospin differences

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b) The 'Real' Isospin Effect is in the PDFs -1.

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– Here are some basic rules: $f_{u(d)/p}(x,Q) = f_{d(u)/n}(x,Q) \overset{\widetilde{\mathbb{Q}}}{\underset{U}{\overset{U}{\xrightarrow{Q}}}} \int_{0.7}^{0.8}$ HEPDATA Databases GeV**2 2 = -MRST2001L0 $f_{\bar{u}(\bar{d})/p}(x,Q) = f_{\bar{d}(\bar{u})/n}(x,Q)$ MRST2001L0 down GRV98LO 0.6 GRV98LO down - But s, c, b, t and g have 0.5 same contributions. 0.4 0.3 – Thus symmetric nuclei 0.2 like d or e.g. ${}^{40}Ca$ are OK! 0.1 0 0.3 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9

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F. Zolfagharpour: arXiv:0802.1623v1

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Baseline: First at the LO QCD level π and γ production



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2. baseline: dd analysis for γ



After normalizatioan this is similar to the EMC slope.

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dAu analysis for γ



more precise data, but more difficult theoretical case : AuAu

b) The 'Real' Isospin Effect is in the PDFs – $AuAu \rightarrow \gamma$

AuAu analysis for γ production



In sense of this the $dAu \rightarrow \pi$ is more complicated

b) The 'Real' Isospin Effect is in the PDFs – π^0

Next level LO dAu analysis for π^0



...and now let's try to extract the real isospin part...

The Real 'Real' Isospin Effect or 'whatever' in dAu

Here dAu were normalised by 'true' dd from HKN for π^0



Note: this is for the most central region....

c) Shadowing Functions and the Isospin Assymetry -1.

Of course – PDFs are modified inside the nucleus differently:

I. PDF based: genereal, but model dependent (HIJING) factorise the isospin assymetry by the linear combination

$$f_{a/A}\left(x,Q^{2}\right) = S_{a/A}\left(x,b\right) \left[\frac{Z}{A}f_{a/p}\left(x,Q^{2}\right) + \left(1-\frac{Z}{A}\right)f_{a/n}\left(x,Q^{2}\right)\right]$$

 $S_{a/A}(x, b)$: Shadowing function (e.g.: HIJING); A atomic- and Z the proton number

Here the PDF has only isospin effect, and its heritage varies by the separation between the p and n based PDFs

c) Shadowing Functions and the Isospin Assymetry -2.

II. True NPDFs: only for special nuclei, more precise (HKN, new EKS?) this require more different measurements, time, money...



More specific measurements can help us to separate PDFs better from Sa/A(x,Q) and understand isospin effects...

d) Is There Isospin Modification at the Final State?

Partially: can we see changes in the hadron ratios?

- At mesonic level: π^+/π^- ratio is ≈ 1 theoretically, and it seem to be ≈ 1 at high- p_T at CERN SPS and RHIC energies
- At baryonic level the 'clean test': $(n + \bar{n})/(p + \bar{p})$ should be ≈ 1 . But hard to measure neutrons. Maybe some dedicated future high- p_T experiment e.g at PHENIX or LHC?

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 - Coming soon LHC at 8.8 TeV pPb, nPb and dPb collisions

BACKUP SLIDES





EMC were measured by many experimental collaborations

- Strict def.: EMC effect is in $[0.3; 0.8] \ni x$, where $F_2^A/F_2^D \lesssim 1$
- Non-strict: Where the slope is negative: $[0.1; 0.7] \ni x$
- at RHIC these are [30; 80] and [10; 70] GeV/c $\ni p_T$ respectively

Nuclear effects at very high- p_T in central dAu collision

