Recent Results from RHIC

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The Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider



Central Arms: $|\eta| < 0.35$ VTX + Tracking + PID + E/M Cal. $e^{\pm}, \gamma, \pi^{\pm}, K, \text{ and } \pi^{0}$ Muon Arms: $1.4 < |\eta| < 2.4$ VTX + Tracking + muon/hadron ID $\mu^{\pm}, h^{\pm} (\pi, K), J/\psi, \Upsilon$ MPC: $3.1 < |\eta| < 3.9$ E/M cal.: π^{0}, η

RHIC as Polarized-proton Collider

- "Siberian Snakes" → mitigate depolarization resonances
- Choice of spin orientation \rightarrow independent of experiment
- Spin direction varies bucket-to-bucket (9.4 MHz)
 - Spin pattern varies fill-to-fill





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- and neutral pions/etas at midrapidity for a *very long time*!
- Anything change in pA?
 - First look also shows a null asymmetry

 10^{2}

10 Atomic Mass Number [A]

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Different story at *forward pseudorapidity*

- Unidentified hadrons (π^+/K^+) in Muon Tracker $(1.4 \le |\eta| \le 2.4)$
- A-dependence in TSSA for $p^{\uparrow} + p(A) \rightarrow h^+ + X$
- Hatta et al. expect A^{1/3} suppression to twist-3 FF from gluon saturation [PRD 95, 014008 (2017)]
 - Best fit from PHENIX data: $A^{-\alpha/3}$, $\alpha = 1.21^{+1.08}_{-0.52}$

What about impact parameter?

- Classify centrality with beam-beam counter
 Model calculation for # binary collisions
- Asymmetry shows centrality dependence

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Hadrons Within Jets

Following the approach of PRD 92, 054015 (2015) and JHEP11 (2017) 068

- Formulate NLO partonic cross-section in terms of *universal* jet functions
- Also define semi-inclusive transverse-momentum-dependent (TMD) jet functions
- Facilitate comparison with standard TMDFF from SIDIS and e^+e^- using inclusive jets with $j_{\perp} \ll p_{T,jet} \times R$ calculated relative to standard jet axis
- Argue FFs universal to NLO, *including TMDFFs*

 $d\hat{\sigma}^c_{ab}$

- No dependence on TMDPDFs
- See Felix's talk, tomorrow!



Polarized Hadrons Within Jets



Anselmino et al., PRD 73, 014020 (2006) F. Yuan, PRL 100, 032003 (2008) D'Alesio et al., PRD 83, 034021 (2011) Hadrons-in-jets have long been proposed as a means to probe the Collins effect

- Quarks inside proton have transverse polarization
- Quark polarization transfer during hard scatter
- Distribution of hadrons from fragmenting quark correlated to quark polarization
- Azimuthal asymmetry in distribution of hadrons within the jet
 - Requires non-zero quark transversity
 - Requires spin-dependent TMD FF

(analogous effect for gluon linear polarization)

Collins Effect: Universality and Evolution



Models based on SIDIS/ e^+e^-

- Assume universality and robust factorization
- DMP&KPRY: no TMD evolution

Consistency between models and STAR data at 95% confidence level → Suggests robust factorization and universality

To evolve or not to evolve?

 $\chi^2/\nu = 14/10$ (w/o) vs. 17.6/10 (with) For now, "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder!"

STAR Collaboration, PRD 97, 032004 (2018) D'Alesio, Murgia, Pisano: PLB 773, 300 (2017) Kang, Prokudin, Ringer, Yuan: PLB 774, 635 (2017)

(a.k.a. need more data!)

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Dihadrons: TSSA for charged pions





Significant dihadron asymmetries at RHIC (200 & 500 GeV)

- Strong dependence on pair p_T
- In terms of invariant mass, data are consistent with 68% of replicas based on SIDIS & e⁺e[−] data → Same as in SIDIS!
- More unpolarized data needed! [we're working on it!]
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- Updates to spin-asymmetries in hyperon production [PRD 98, 91103 & 112009 (2018)]
 Sensitive to polarized FF

Hyperons



First measurement of ΛD_{TT} at RHIC!

- Sensitive to transversity and transversely polarized FF
- Possible channel to constrain transversity of strange quarks -0.05
- Consistent with model calculation from PRD 70, 034015 (2004) and PRD 73, 077503 (2006) Improved precision for Λ D_{LL}
- Sensitive to polarized PDF and polarized FF



p_ [GeV/c]

6

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In Progress

Successful runs in 2015 and 2017

- Far more precise comparison of 200 and 500 GeV
- Possible extraction of kaon Collins
- First look at Collins in p + A \rightarrow Unique window into hadronization



In Progress



The RHIC Spin Collaboration, arXiv:1602.03922

Unpolarized in-jet & dihadron studies ongoing

- STAR equipped with *particle ID*, e.g. time-of-flight (TOF) and energy-loss (dE/dx) in TPC
- Use PID to identify pion-in-jet, kaon-in-jet, etc. *—Enhance sensitivity to strangeness w/ K-tag*
 STAR forward upgrade! [see Elke's talk!]



Summary

- Improved precision for inclusive hadron asymmetries in *pp* and new data for *pA*
 - Midrapidity neutral pions and etas consistent with zero
 - Forward charged hadron asymmetries show dependences in A and centrality
- New look at j_T dependence of Collins asymmetries in pp
 - Consistency between 200 and 500 GeV
 - Appears that the asymmetry does not factorize as $A_{UT} \sim f(j_T) \times f(z)$
 - Analysis of unpolarized in-jet FF underway
- Finalized and published results from dihadron asymmetries
 - Already impacting global transversity analyses
 - Analysis of unpolarized dihadron FF underway
- Published results from lambda hyperons
 - First look at D_TT at RHIC
 - Improved precision of D_LL
- Lots of new data and homework!