Color Transparency Past, Present and Future

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Color transparency- reduced initial/final state interactions in coherent reactions

1. high-momentum transfer reactions make point-like color singlet states PLC

2. Small objects have small cross sections $Im f \propto b^2$



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3. PLC are not eigenstates-expand as they move
Frankfurt& Strikman, Jennings & Miller
2,3 must be true, 1 is interesting ? -



Why interesting?

new dynamical phenomena- turn off strong interactions

•are PLCs made? -high Q²-exclusives

 nuclear physics implications of PLC- nucleon modified- EMC effect

Why PLC at high momentum transfer?



Momentum of exchanged gluon ~Q, separation ~1/Q

 At high enough Q an exclusive interaction occurs if the transverse size of the hadron is smaller than the equilibrium size.

Perturbative reasoning-also non-perturbative Nucl.Phys.
 A555 (1993) 752-764

Why not PLC?



Transverse size not affected -no PLC

Interesting dynamical question about QCD -do PLC exist and participate? Making PLC is squeezing- and is the interesting part

Feynman:

remarked that "if a system is made of 3 particles, the large Q^2 behavior depends not on the singularity when just two come together, but rather when all three are on top of one another". Furthermore, "such pictures are too simple and inadequate". VOLUME 61, 1698

First & Second Evidence?

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

Nuclear Transparency to Large-Angle pp Elastic Scattering

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This rise and drop is not explained

Color transparency experiments

 $T=\sigma/\sigma_B$

- (π, JJ) Prediction Frankfurt et al. Phys.Lett. B304 (1993) 1. Experiment D Ashery et al PRL 86(2001) 4773 A-dependence
- $(e, e'\pi)$ B. Clasie *et al.* PRL 99(2007)242502-Promising rise in T
- $(e, e'\rho)$ L. El Fassi al. PLB 712 (2012) 326- Promising rise in T
- Many (e,e'p) experiments, no evidence for CT $\pi + A \rightarrow J + J + A$ is diffractive dissociation π break up caused by 2 gluon exchange with target

 $(e, e'\pi), (e, e'p)$ reactions depend on form factor $(e, e'\rho)$ may not be two gluon driven at low energies

$\pi + N(A) \rightarrow$ "2 high transverse momentum jets" + N(A)The one that worked



- final state $q\bar{q}$ becomes 2 high rel. moment jets, select PLC component of pion
- $\pi \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ before hit target, no expansion
- one interaction
- Coherent process- enhanced!

FMS Phys.Lett. B304 (1993) 1

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 $\mathcal{M}(\text{forward}) \propto A, \sigma_A \propto A^2 * A^{-2/3} = A^{4/3} + \text{positive corrections}_{7/14}$

The E-791 (FNAL) data $E_{inc}^{\pi} = 500 GeV$ (D.Ashery et al, PRL 2000)

♡ Coherent peak is well resolved:



TABLE I. The exponent in $\sigma \propto A^{\alpha}$, experimental results for coherent dissociation and the color-transparency predictions.

k_t bin GeV/c	α	$\Delta lpha_{ m stat}$	$\Delta lpha_{ m sys}$	$\Delta lpha$	α (CT
1.25-1.5	1.64	±0.05	+0.04 - 0.11	+0.06 - 0.12	1.25
1.5 - 2.0	1.52	± 0.09	± 0.08	±0.12	1.45
2.0 - 2.5	1.55	± 0.11	±0.12	±0.16	1.60

PRL 86,4773

 \heartsuit Observed A-dependence $A^{1.61\pm0.08}$ [$C \rightarrow Pt$]

FMS prediction $A^{1.54}$ enhancement for intermediate k_t . $[C \rightarrow Pt]$ for large $k_t \&$ extra small

For soft diffraction the Pt/C ratio is ~ 7 times smaller!!

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Ruling out color transparency in quasi-elastic ${}^{12}C(e,e'p)$ up to Q^2 of 14.2 (GeV/c)²

Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 082301



JLab: expansion is the problem

Goal: evaluate effects of expansion with new approach Olivia Caplow-Munro, G A Miller 2104.11168

Light front (LF) wave functions of Holographic QCD:

• Stanley J. Brodsky, Guy F. de Teramond, Hans Gunter Dosch, and Joshua Erlich, "Light-Front Holographic QCD and Emerging Confinement," Phys. Rept. 584, 1–105 (2015), arXiv:1407.8131 [hep-ph].

First semiclassical approximation: quantum loops & $m_q = 0$ relativistic bound-state equation reduced to effective LF Schroedinger eq.

Invariant mass of free constituents is the dynamical variable $\zeta = \sqrt{b^2 x(1-x)}$, measures parton separation at equal light-front time (deTeramond:2008ht).

QCD multi-parton problem reduced (first semi-classical approximation) to effective 1-dimensional quantum mechanics

complexities of strong interaction in effective potential U

Formalism quark-diquark model

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + U(\zeta, J) \end{pmatrix} \phi(\zeta) = M^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

$$\zeta^2 = b^2 x (1 - x), \ \phi \text{ prob. amp.}$$

$$L, J \text{ orbital total ang mom.} \text{ Depends on Hadron}$$

$$U(\zeta, J) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 (J - 1)$$

- Excellent baryon & meson spectroscopy, form factors Feynman mechanism PR102.081601,PRD.91.045040,PRD.91.085016
- Gives wave functions at fixed value of x
- OK because interactions with medium $\propto b^2$

Time dependence

$$2i\frac{\partial}{\partial\tau}\Psi = \frac{1}{P^+} \left(-\frac{1}{x(1-x)}\nabla_b^2 + U(b^2(x(1-x),J)) \right) \Psi,$$

 $\tau \equiv x^+, \Psi = PLC$ wave packet

- Procedure, $H \rightarrow L$, Legendre trans. (Momentum to velocity)
- Use path integral formalism to get τ development operator K(t) $b^{2}(t) \equiv \frac{\langle \Psi_{00} | b^{2}K(t) | PLC \rangle}{\langle \Psi_{00} | PLC \rangle}$



- Effective size of PLC moving thru nucleus
- First-order in multiple scattering b(0) = 0, here

Rate of Expansion Depends on Hadron



Meson results- expansion time , t_E , : vertical lines

Pion: t_E between 2 and 5 fm in exp. CT seen more Likely



Expansion does not occur for Flab Experiment

FIG. 2. $\frac{b_{\pi}^2}{2b^2}$. Solid (red) $P_{\pi}^+ = 5.5$ GeV, Dashed (blue) $P_{\pi}^+ = 8.8$ GeV, Dot-dashed (green) $P_{\pi}^+ = 100$ GeV. t is in units of fm

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Rho: t_E between 2 fm for exp. CT less likely Higher energy would see CT



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FIG. 4. $\frac{b_N^2}{2b^2}$ Solid (red) $P_N^+ = 8$ GeV, Dashed (blue) $P_N^+ = 14$ GeV. t is in units of fm.

 t_E ranges between 2 and 3fm . For $^{12}C\,$ CT should have seen as rise in transparency ratio Expansion is not excuse for lack of CT Conclude PLC is not formed Feynman mechanism is responsible for proton em form factor at high Q^2

Diffractive dissociation to jets seems more promising only one Bound-state wave function involved. Two gluon exchange