CGC for ultra-peripheral Pb+Pb collisions at the Large Hadron Collider

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What's new?

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Two particle angular correlation observed in UPC measurement at LHC



(a) PHYSICAL REVIEW C 104, 014903 (2021), ATLAS



Ridge correlation with different system size



Figure: Fig from Schlichting, Tribedy (2016)



Elliptic flow

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(a) Peripheral collision for AA

(b) $v_2 \rightarrow \text{viscosity}$

Small viscosity η/s leads to higher v_2 . (Figures from Raimond Snellings (2011)) **NC STATE** $\frac{dN}{dq_1^2 dq_2^2} \propto 1 + \sum_n 2v_n^2 \cos(n\Delta\theta)$

Ridge correlation in small systems ?

- If ridge correlation indicates fluid behavior, what is the smallest collision system to create QGP?
 - High multiplicity p+p (2010), p+Pb (2012) at LHC
 - p+Au, d+Au, ³He+Au at RHIC (2013-2020)

- Is there additional origin of the angular correlation?
 - Opportunities to probe novel effects

• The smallest projectile is DIS photon!



Ultra-peripheral collisions



- $b > R_A + R_B$
- Equivalent photon approximation
- Weizsäcker-Williams field
- $Q^2 \lesssim (60 Mev)^2$ for A=16





Origins of the angular correlation in UPC

Hydrodynamic

Collectivity in Ultra-Peripheral Pb+Pb Collisions at the Large Hadron Collider

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• Color domain effect in the target

Exploring the Collective Phenomenon at the Electron-Ion Collider

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• Quantum correlations (explored in our work)

- Bose-Einstein correlation
- HBT(Hanbury Brown and Twiss) effect
- Dominated by the correlations in projectile



Bose enhancement

Two particle correlator in a free boson gas,

$$D(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{y}) = \int_{\boldsymbol{p},\boldsymbol{p}',\boldsymbol{q},\boldsymbol{q}'} e^{-i\boldsymbol{x}\cdot(\boldsymbol{p}'-\boldsymbol{p})} e^{-i\boldsymbol{y}\cdot(\boldsymbol{q}'-\boldsymbol{q})} \langle \hat{a}_a^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{p}) \hat{a}_b^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{q}) \hat{a}_a(\boldsymbol{p}') \hat{a}_b(\boldsymbol{q}') \rangle$$

There are three different scenarios

•
$$p = p', q = q'$$
: $\langle \hat{a}_a^{\dagger}(p) \hat{a}_b^{\dagger}(q) \hat{a}_a(p') \hat{a}_b(q') \rangle$, uncorrelated, $\mathcal{O}(1)$
• $p = q', q = p'$: $\langle \hat{a}_a^{\dagger}(p) \hat{a}_b^{\dagger}(q) \hat{a}_a(p') \hat{a}_b(q') \rangle$, $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{N_c^2})$
• $p = q' = q = p'$, suppressed by $\frac{1}{N_c^2}$ and $\frac{1}{V}$



HBT

$$D_{\mathsf{HBT}}(\mathbf{k}_{1}, \mathbf{k}_{2}) = \sum_{a, b} \int_{\mathbf{x}_{0}, \mathbf{x}_{0}', \mathbf{y}_{0}, \mathbf{y}_{0}'} \int_{\mathbf{x}_{1}, \mathbf{x}_{2}', \mathbf{y}_{3}, \mathbf{y}_{4}'} e^{i\mathbf{k}_{1} \cdot (\mathbf{x}_{0}' - \mathbf{x}_{0})} e^{i\mathbf{k}_{2} \cdot (\mathbf{y}_{0}' - \mathbf{y}_{0})} \\ \times \langle \hat{a}_{a}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{x}_{0}) \hat{a}_{b}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{y}_{0}) \hat{a}_{a}(\mathbf{x}_{0}') \hat{a}_{b}(\mathbf{y}_{0}') \rangle \\ \times G(\mathbf{x}_{0} - \mathbf{x}_{1}) G(\mathbf{y}_{0} - \mathbf{y}_{1}) G(\mathbf{x}_{0}' - \mathbf{x}_{1}') G(\mathbf{y}_{0}' - \mathbf{y}_{1}') \\ \times \langle J_{a}(\mathbf{x}_{1}) J_{b}(\mathbf{y}_{1}) J_{a}(\mathbf{x}_{1}') J_{b}(\mathbf{y}_{1}') \rangle$$

• The "wrong" contraction is enforced by the ensemble average of the source correlator

$$\langle J_a(\boldsymbol{x}_1)J_b(\boldsymbol{y}_1)J_a(\boldsymbol{x}_1')J_b(\boldsymbol{y}_1')
angle$$



Dipole model ($|Q| < \Lambda_{QCD}$)



 Dipole model to approximate the photon Small Q² suppresses the longitudinal polarization

$$\Psi_{\lambda}^{T}(z,\boldsymbol{r},s_{1}) = -i\frac{2ee_{f}}{2\pi}\delta_{s_{1},-s_{2}}(2z-1+2\lambda s_{1})\sqrt{z(1-z)}\frac{\boldsymbol{r}\cdot\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\lambda}}{|\boldsymbol{r}|}\varepsilon_{f}K_{1}(\varepsilon_{f}|\boldsymbol{r}|)$$

Note: UPC photon is actually linearly polarized (Small correction to the correlation).

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MV model

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- Inspired by Vector Meson Dominance Model
- Due to the existence of the high energy fixed point, ρ -meson at asymptotically high energy \equiv nucleus
- Valence degrees of freedom $\rho_a(x)$ follow the distribution defined by McLerran-Venugopalan (MV) model

$$W(\rho_a) = \exp\left\{-\int_{\boldsymbol{x}} \frac{\rho_a(\boldsymbol{x})\rho_a(\boldsymbol{x})}{2\mu^2}\right\}$$

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Organize the cross section

Organize the cross section Σ according to the order of ρ

 $\Sigma = \Sigma_2 + \Sigma_3 + \Sigma_4$





How cross section calculated

Use Σ_2 as example, in coordinate space,

$$\begin{split} \Sigma_2 &= 4 \int d^2 \boldsymbol{x} \int d^2 \bar{\boldsymbol{x}} f^i(\bar{u}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}) f^i(u_1 - \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}) f^j(\bar{u}_2 - \bar{u}_1) f^j(u_2 - u_1) \langle \rho_{d'}(\bar{\boldsymbol{x}}) \rho_d(\boldsymbol{x}) \rangle_P \\ & \left\langle \left[[U^{\dagger}(u_1) T^a U(u_1)] [U^{\dagger}(u_2) - U^{\dagger}(u_1)] [U(\bar{u}_2) - U(\bar{u}_1)] [U^{\dagger}(\bar{u}_1) T^a U(\bar{u}_1)] \right]_{d'd} \right\rangle_T \end{split}$$

where
$$f^i(oldsymbol{x}) = rac{g}{(2\pi)^2} rac{x_i}{x^2}.$$

- Kinematic factors (Eikonal emission vertices)
- Projectile (photon)
- Target (nucleus)



Expectation values for projectile and target



Symmetrization(isolating the signal)

• Symmetrization of $\hat{\rho}s$ (MV model)

$$egin{aligned} \hat{
ho}_a(oldsymbol{x})\hat{
ho}_b(oldsymbol{y}) &= rac{1}{2}\left\{\hat{
ho}_a(oldsymbol{x}),\hat{
ho}_b(oldsymbol{y})
ight\} + rac{1}{2}\left[\hat{
ho}_a(oldsymbol{x}),\hat{
ho}_b(oldsymbol{y})
ight] \ &=
ho_a(oldsymbol{x})
ho_b(oldsymbol{y}) - rac{1}{2}\delta^{(2)}(x-y)T^c_{ab}
ho_c(oldsymbol{x}) \end{aligned}$$

• Symmetrization of color factors (Dipole model)

$$t^{a}t^{b} = \frac{1}{2}\left\{t^{a}, t^{b}\right\} + \frac{1}{2}if^{c}_{ab}t^{c}$$



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Target average

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• Factorized Dipole Approximation

Phys. Rev. D 96, 074018, Kovner, Rezaeian

- Dense target \rightarrow Saturated
- $\frac{1}{Q_s}$ serves the role of correlation length in transverse plane
 - For the example configuration $\operatorname{Tr} \left[U(x_1)U^{\dagger}(x_2)U(x_3)U^{\dagger}(x_4) \right] \approx$ $\frac{1}{N_c^2 - 1} \operatorname{Tr} \left[U(x_1)U^{\dagger}(x_2) \right] \operatorname{Tr} \left[U(x_3)U^{\dagger}(x_4) \right] +$...

Angular correlation from the cross section

From the cross section of the two gluon production

$$\Sigma = \frac{d\mathcal{N}}{d\eta dq_1^2 d\xi dq_2^2}$$

one can extract the angular correlation function

$$C(q,\theta) = \frac{\Sigma(q,\theta)}{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \Sigma(q,\theta) d\theta}$$

set $|q_1| = |q_2| = q$, and θ is the angle between the two particles











(a) Dipole

(b) MV



Back-to-back correlation

 Σ_4^{nsym} , non-symmetric part, $q=Q_s$



Also gives us back-to-back correlation. large error bar comes from the fact that monstrous dipole Σ_4^{nsym} is not Monte Carlo friendly.



$$\Sigma_4^{sym}$$
, symmetric part, $q=Q_s$



As what was done in experimental analysis, we subtract backgrounds and normalize the signal. The results show similar correlations in CGC calculation.





Recall,

$$\frac{dN}{d\pmb{q}_1^2d\pmb{q}_2^2} \propto 1 + \sum_n 2v_n^2\cos(n\Delta\theta)$$

One first define,

$$V_n(q_1) = \int d\theta_1 \int_0^{p_\perp^{\max}} d^2 q_2 \exp(in\Delta\theta) \frac{dN}{dq_1^2 dq_2^2 d\eta d\xi}$$

by definition,

$$v_2^{(2)}(p_\perp) = \sqrt{\frac{V_2(p_\perp)}{V_0(p_\perp)}}$$

assuming factorization,

$$v_2(p_\perp) = rac{V_2(p_\perp)/V_0(p_\perp)}{\sqrt{V_2/V_0}}$$



v_2 results



- Different behavior above 2 Gev due to the lack of HBT contribution on the left.
- In the ATLAS analysis, $P_{\text{Max}} = 2 \; Gev$



Factorization test



Theoretical calculation



Figure: The elliptic flow v_2 for three different kinematic ranges of the trigger particle. Here as in the previous figure, $Q_s = 2$ GeV. The size of the projectile is set by R = 1/GeV.



Average in momentum bins



Figure: Parameters are the same as previous slides but binned with the same bin choice as the ATLAS analysis.

Binning the particles decreases the differences between the models.



Summary and outlook

- We analytically derived inclusive two gluon production in UPC at mid-rapidity.
- To estimate systematic uncertainty originated from the poor knowledge of the real photon wave function, we studied two limiting cases.
- Both models result in qualitatively similar correlation. Quantitatively, the amplitude of azimuthal anisotropy for MV model is about two times the dipole model.
- Our results show similar correlation as experimental data.
- Further developments
 - Phenomenology
 - To extend to EIC physics (large Q², work in progress)
 - To incorporate rapidity dependence



Backup slides



Gluon production



Create gluons within initial states

One account for the emission of the gluons using coherent $\operatorname{operators}$

$$C = \mathcal{P}e^{i\sqrt{2}\int d^2x d\xi \,\hat{b}^i_a(\xi, \boldsymbol{x}) \left[a^{\dagger}_{i,a}(\xi, \boldsymbol{x}) + a_{i,a}(\xi, \boldsymbol{x})\right]}$$

with the background field

$$\hat{b}_{a}^{i}(\xi, m{x}) = rac{g}{2\pi} \int d^{2}y rac{(m{x} - m{y})^{i}}{|m{x} - m{y}|^{2}} \hat{
ho}_{
m P}^{a}(\xi, m{y})$$

• MV model classical source ρ_a

•
$$\hat{\rho}^a_D(\boldsymbol{x}) = b^{\dagger}_{\alpha\sigma}(\boldsymbol{x_1})t^a_{\alpha\beta}b_{\beta\sigma}(\boldsymbol{x_1})\delta^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{x_1}) - d^{\dagger}_{\alpha\sigma}(\boldsymbol{x_2})t^a_{\beta\alpha}d_{\beta\sigma}(\boldsymbol{x_2})\delta^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{x_2})$$

•
$$\hat{\rho}_g^a(\zeta, \boldsymbol{x}) = a_b^{i\dagger}(\eta, \boldsymbol{x}) T_{bc}^a a_c(\eta, \boldsymbol{x})$$





Eikonal scattering through the shock wave



$$U(\boldsymbol{x}) = \mathcal{P} \exp\left\{ig \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx^{+} T^{a} A_{a}^{-}(x^{+}, \boldsymbol{x})\right\}$$

The strong gluon field $A_a^-(x^+, x)$ is a functional of the valance source in the target.

$$\frac{1}{N_c^2 - 1} \langle \operatorname{Tr} \left(U^{\dagger}(r) U(0) \right) \rangle_T = \exp \left[-\frac{1}{4} Q_s^2 r^2 \ln \left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^2 r^2} + e \right) \right].$$
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The cross section

$$\frac{d\mathcal{N}}{d\eta dq_1^2 d\xi dq_2^2} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^2 u_1 d^2 u_2 d^2 \bar{u}_1 d^2 \bar{u}_2 e^{-i\boldsymbol{q}_1(\boldsymbol{u}_1 - \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}_1)} e^{-i\boldsymbol{q}_2(\boldsymbol{u}_2 - \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}_2)} \Sigma$$

and

 $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \langle \boldsymbol{\gamma}^* | \boldsymbol{C}^{\dagger} \hat{\boldsymbol{S}}^{\dagger} \boldsymbol{C} \boldsymbol{a}_{i,a}^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{u}_1) \boldsymbol{a}_{j,b}^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{u}_2) \boldsymbol{a}_{i,a}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}_1) \boldsymbol{a}_{j,b}(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}_2) \boldsymbol{C}^{\dagger} \hat{\boldsymbol{S}} \boldsymbol{C} | \boldsymbol{\gamma}^* \rangle$

where
$$C = C_{\xi}C_{\eta}$$
, and $\eta \gg \xi$,
 $C_{\eta} \simeq 1 + i\sqrt{2} \int d^2 v_1 \hat{b}^i_{Da}(\boldsymbol{v}_1) \left[a^{i\dagger}_a(\eta, \boldsymbol{v}_1) + a^i_a(\eta, \boldsymbol{v}_1) \right]$
 $C_{\xi} \simeq 1 + i\sqrt{2} \int d^2 v_2 \left(\hat{b}^j_{Db}(\boldsymbol{v}_2) + \delta \hat{b}^j_b(\eta, \boldsymbol{v}_2) \right) \left[a^{j\dagger}_b(\xi, \boldsymbol{v}_2) + a^j_b(\xi, \boldsymbol{v}_2) \right]$

- $C|\gamma^*
 angle$ Initial state
- \hat{S} S-matrix
- $Ca_{j,b}(\xi, ar{u}_2)C^{\dagger}$ dressed gluons in the final state

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Dipole expectation values

• Expectation values for $q\bar{q}$

$$\langle q\bar{q}|\hat{
ho}_{d'}(ar{m{x}})\hat{
ho}_d(m{x})|q\bar{q}
angle = rac{\delta^{dd'}}{2} \left(\delta^2(ar{m{x}}-m{z}_1)-\delta^2(ar{m{x}}-m{z}_2)
ight) \left(\delta^2(m{x}-m{z}_1)-\delta^2(m{x}-m{z}_2)
ight)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle q\bar{q}|\hat{\rho}^{a}(\boldsymbol{x_{1}})\hat{\rho}^{b}(\boldsymbol{x_{2}})\hat{\rho}^{c}(\boldsymbol{x_{3}})|q\bar{q}\rangle \\ &= \frac{if_{abc}}{4} \left(\delta^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{x_{2}}-\boldsymbol{z_{1}}) + \delta^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{x_{2}}-\boldsymbol{z_{2}}) \right) \prod_{i=1,3} \left(\delta^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{x_{i}}-\boldsymbol{z_{1}}) - \delta^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{x_{i}}-\boldsymbol{z_{2}}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

 $\boldsymbol{z}_1, \boldsymbol{z}_2$ are the transverse coordinates of quark and anti-quark.

• Average over different dipole size $m{r}=m{z}_1-m{z}_2$

$$\langle \rho_{d'}(\bar{\boldsymbol{x}})\rho_{d}(\boldsymbol{x})\rangle_{P} \approx \sum_{s_{1}} \int_{z} \int d^{2}\boldsymbol{r} \Psi_{\lambda}^{T*}(z,r,s_{1})\Psi_{\lambda}^{T}(z,r,s_{1})\langle q\bar{q}|\rho_{d'}(\bar{\boldsymbol{x}})\rho_{d}(\boldsymbol{x})|q\bar{q}\rangle$$



MV model projectile average

 MV model describes the distribution of classical color source not quantum operators.

$$W(\rho_a) = \exp\left\{-\int_{\boldsymbol{x}} \frac{\rho_a(\boldsymbol{x})\rho_a(\boldsymbol{x})}{2\mu^2}
ight\}$$

$$\mu^2(\boldsymbol{x}) = \mathcal{N} \exp\left\{-rac{\boldsymbol{x}^2}{R^2}
ight\}.$$

• Two and three point correlators

$$\langle \hat{\rho}_a(\boldsymbol{x}) \hat{\rho}_b(\boldsymbol{y}) \rangle_{\rm MV} = \langle \rho_a(\boldsymbol{x}) \rho_b(\boldsymbol{y}) \rangle_{\rm MV} = \mu^2 \delta^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{y}) \delta_{ab}$$
$$\langle \hat{\rho}_a(\boldsymbol{x}) \hat{\rho}_b(\boldsymbol{y}) \hat{\rho}_c(\boldsymbol{z}) \rangle_{\rm MV} = -\frac{1}{2} \delta^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{y}) \delta^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{z}) T^a_{bc} \mu^2$$

• Symmetrization of $\hat{\rho}s$

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$$\begin{split} \hat{\rho}_{a}(x)\hat{\rho}_{b}(y) &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \hat{\rho}_{a}(\boldsymbol{x}), \hat{\rho}_{b}(\boldsymbol{y}) \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \left[\hat{\rho}_{a}(\boldsymbol{x}), \hat{\rho}_{b}(\boldsymbol{y}) \right] \\ &= \rho_{a}(\boldsymbol{x})\rho_{b}(\boldsymbol{y}) - \frac{1}{2} \delta^{(2)}(x-y) T_{ab}^{c} \rho_{c}(\boldsymbol{x}) \end{split}$$