THE EMC EFFECT IN HEAVY ION COLLISIONS

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OUTLINE

Motivation

- We are testing small-x physics in heavy-ion collisions
- Can we test the high-x region in heavy-ion collisions?
- Is the R_{dA} 'boring'='flat' at high- p_T ?

I. The EMC effect

- The EMC effect in pQCD improved parton model
- Signatures for EMC effect in dAu at RHIC

II. Results, uncertainties, and errors

- Results and the uncertainties of the theoretical model
- Slope comparison to existing dAu and AuAu data

$M O T I V A T I O N - \pi^0$

PHENIX π^0 data $p_T \leq 10 \text{ GeV/c}$

- PRL 91 (2003) 072303
- $-R_{dAu} \approx 1$ at highest p_T s
- Is there 'life' above the Cronin region, $p_T \gtrsim 6 7 \text{ GeV/c?}$

PHENIX has more precise data

- PRL 98 (2007) 172302
- Only huge errors at high p_T ?
- -20 25% suppression and slope structure at high p_T ?





$M O T I V A T I O N - \gamma$

PHENIX prelim. γ data in dAu

- D. Peressounko, hep-ex/0609037
- Weak but, $R_{dAu}^{\gamma} \lesssim 1$, so negative slope at high p_T .



PHENIX prelim. γ data in AuAu Direct Photon Au+Au (S_N) = 200 GeV, 0-10%

- T. Isobe, nucl-ex/0701040
- This is a 20 40% effect
- What effect is responsible for these slopes at high p_T ?



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ТНЕ



EFFECT

First Measured by European Muon Collaboration

- EMC, BCDMS, SLAC E139 measured the ratio of σ_{Fe}/σ_D J.J. Aubert *et al.*: PL 123B 275 (1983) Benvenuti *et al.*: PL B189 483 (1987) J. Gomez *et al.*: PR D49 4348 (1994)

- Various nuclei were measured: ${}^{4}He, {}^{9}Be, {}^{12}C, {}^{27}Al, {}^{40}Ca, {}^{56}Fe, {}^{108}Aq, {}^{197}$
- Strong dependence on targets: $\sigma_A/\sigma_D = C(x)A^{\alpha(x)}$ or $\sigma_A/\sigma_D = D(x)[1 + \beta(x)\rho(A)]$
- Suppression were found at x > 0.3
- No significant Q^2 dependence
- Measured Q^2 bins:

 $\begin{array}{ll} Q^2 = 2 \mbox{ and } 5 \ ({\rm GeV/c})^2 & \mbox{ for } x < 0.3; \\ Q^2 = 2, \mbox{ 5, and } 10 \ ({\rm GeV/c})^2 \ \mbox{ for } 0.3 \le x \le 0.5; \\ Q^2 = 5 \ \mbox{and } 10 \ ({\rm GeV/c})^2 & \mbox{ for } x > 0.5 \end{array}$





Nominate Nuclear Modifications

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

The pQCD Improved Parton Model for pA Collisions

$$E_{\pi} \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\pi}^{pA}}{\mathrm{d}^{3}p_{\pi}} \sim f_{a/p}(x_{a}, Q^{2}; k_{T}) \otimes f_{b/A}(x_{b}, Q^{2}; k_{T}, b) \otimes \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{ab \to cd}}{\mathrm{d}\hat{t}} \otimes \frac{D_{\pi/c}(z_{c}, \widehat{Q}^{2})}{\pi z_{c}^{2}}.$$

 $\begin{array}{l} f_{b/A}(x_a,Q^2;k_T,b): \text{Parton Dist. Function (PDF), at scale } Q^2 \\ D_{\pi/c}(z_c,\widehat{Q}^2): \text{Fragmentation Function for } \pi \text{ (FF), at scale } \widehat{Q}^2 \\ \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{ab \to cd}}{\mathrm{d}\hat{t}}: \text{Partonic cross section} & \mathbf{h} \end{array}$



The Origin of the EMC – Shadowing inside the Nucleus Shadowing – PDFs are modified inside the nucleus:

- PDF based: general, but model dependent (HIJING)
- True NPDFs: only for special nuclei, more precise (HKN)

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

 $S_{a/A}(x,b)$: Shadowing function (e.g.: HIJING); A atomic- and Z the proton number A R_V^{Pb} R_S^{Pb} R_G^{Pb} 1.41.4 $R_i^{\rm Pb}(x,Q^2=1.69~{\rm GeV}^2)$ 1.21.21.01.0 0.8 0.8 This work, EPS09LO 0.6 0.6 EKS98 0.4 0.4 HKN07 (LO) EPS08 0.2 0.2 nDS (LO) 0.0 0.0 10^{-3} 10^{-2} 10^{-2} 10^{-1} 10^{-2} 10^{-1} 10^{-3} 10^{-4} 10^{-4} 10^{-4} 10^{-3} 10^{-1} 1 xxx

Nuclear effects at very high- p_T in central dAu collision



THEORETICAL RESULTS WITH



THEORETICAL RESULTS WITH



ERRORS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Results: different shadowing parameterizations in dAu



HKN: Hirai et al., Phys.Rev. C76 065207 (2007)
HIJING: Wang and Gyulassy, Phys. Rev D44, 3501 (1991)
EKRS: Eskola et al., Eur. Phys. Jour. C9, 61 (1998)

Good agreement with fitted EPS09 shadowing in dAu



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EPS09: Eskola et al., JHEP04 065 (2009)

Uncertainties of HKN parameterizations in $R_{dA}(p_T)$





JHEP04 065 (2009)

Scale uncertainty at low- p_T Errors of HKN $\implies \pm 10\%$ Phys. Rev. C76 065207 (2007)

Extracting the slope of R_{dAu} in dAu collision at PHENIX



Comparing different shadowing parameterizations Fit linear for the $\sim \log(p_T)$ in the $8 < p_T < 30$ GeV/c range What is missing in the EMC region for π^0 ? 16. July 2009 - EPS HEP '09

Extracting the slope of R_{dAu} in dAu collision at PHENIX



Further test on preliminary $dAu \rightarrow \gamma$ PEHNIX data LO direct photon calculations, without FSI (suppression) Negative slope is hopefully seen ...

Extracting the slope of R_{AuAu} in AuAu collision at PHENIX



Test on preliminary $AuAu \rightarrow \gamma$ PEHNIX data LO direct photon calculations, still NO FSI (suppression) Clear slope, but more than linear power (double effect)

Extracting the slope of R_{AuAu} in AuAu collision at PHENIX



What if we would include FSI for π^0 in dAu at RHIC GLV-like suppression: shifts down $R_{dAu} \sim 10\%$ in this simple case no relevant change in the high- p_T slope



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Calculations for dAu with HKN shadowing



Cold quenching in dAu collision at a small n~1 opacity

better model: (weak color matter) might be seen on slopes at RHIC, but this effect is stronger at LHC energies...

Cold Quenching in dAu collision at PHENIX



SUMMARY

 R_{dAu} and HKN EMC slopes are close to parallel at high p_T

 \implies ...but, non equal, so room for final state effects

 $\implies \pi^0$ and γ in dAu and AuAu has similar suppression at high p_T

 \implies Errors and uncertainties are well handled

Summarized in arXiv: hep-ph/0702101 and 0805.3360

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BACKUPSLIDES

Nuclear effects in our model at:

CERN SPS ENERGIES



Old and new data from Fermilab, WA98, NA49 ...

Nuclear effects in our model at:

RHIC ENERGIES



... high precision data by RHIC experiments ...

cts in our model at:

"Shadowing"

Systems: pA,AA

Small-x, mostly low- p_{τ} but EMC, anti-shadowing at high- p_{τ}

LHC ENERGIES

Jet-Quenching

Systems:(pA),AA

Real high-p₇

Intrinsic k_T Systems: pp,pA,AA Low- or intermediate-p_T

... and predictions for LHC energies!

Suppression or Enhancement at LHC?

C.M. Energy dependence of GLV jet energy loss

$$\Delta E_{GLV} \approx \frac{C_R \alpha_s}{N(E)} \frac{L^2 \mu^2}{\lambda_g} \log \frac{E}{\mu} = \frac{C_R \alpha_s}{N(E)} \frac{1}{A_\perp} \frac{dN}{dy} \langle L \rangle \log \frac{E}{\langle \mu \rangle}$$

- For central AuAu collision at RHIC $\frac{1}{A_{\perp}} \frac{dN}{dy} \approx \frac{680}{\pi R_{AuAu}^2} = 5.1$
- For dAu collision at RHIC $\frac{1}{A_{\perp}} \frac{dN}{dy} \approx \frac{18}{\pi R_{dAu}^2} = 2.54$
- Without suppression $\frac{dN}{dy} \sim \ln \sqrt{s}$
- At LHC this $\frac{dN}{dy}$ will be $\sim 1500 2000$

R_{dPb} at in dPb Collision at different energies beyond RHIC



Two main initial state effects: Suppression can be strong at high- p_T at the LHC energies. Cronin peak is slightly moving towards higher- p_T values.

R_{dPb} at in dPb collision at different energies beyond RHIC



Suppression is stronger at low- p_T at the LHC energies. Cronin peak is slightly moving towards higher- p_T values.