Absence of jet quenching in peripheral nucleus-nucleus collisions ?

... and how this is related to modelling of underlying event physics and multi-parton interactions in pp, pA and AA

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D. V. Perepelitsa, Hard Processes in Small Systems, QM 2017 What is the smallest system exhibiting jet quenching ?



N_{part} in peripheral A-A similar to p-A Centrality based on fwd multiplicity or summed energy measurements. D. V. Perepelitsa, Hard Processes in Small Systems, QM 2016 What is the smallest system exhibiting jet quenching ?

0-10% p+A or 70-90% A+A?



credit to R. Weller and P. Romatschke

Also similar initial geometry

RAA in p-Pb



No significant modification at high p_T for N_{part} comparable to peripheral Pb-Pb.

Model predictions



Calculations expect sizeable (10-20%) suppression for "central" p-Pb and even pp



Nuclear Modification Factor

Definition: Ratio of yield of hard process in AA to reference of incoherent superposition of N_{coll} pp collisions.

$$R_{AA}^{cent} = \frac{Y_{AA}}{T_{AA}^{cent} \sigma_{hard}} = \frac{Y_{AA}}{N_{coll}^{cent} Y_{pp}}$$



Well defined for

- minimum bias: $\langle N_{coll} \rangle = A^2 \sigma_{pp} / \sigma_{AA}$
- measurement of spectators: $N_{\text{spec}} = 2A N_{\text{part}}$
- In all other cases one needs to take into account
- Geometrical biases:
 - Phase space distribution of nucleons in nucleon ≠ protons in bunches
- Correlation between centrality estimator and hard processes (initial and final state)

- "nuisance" factors
 - nucleon vs parton dof
 - density fluctuations
 - hard soft correlations

Glauber Modelling



Optical Glauber

- Interaction probability
- Overlap of thickness functions

$$dT_{AB}(\vec{b}) = dT_A(\vec{s})dT_B(\vec{s} - \vec{b})d^2\vec{s}$$



Monte Carlo Glauber

- Random distribution of nucleons
- Interaction probability: Hit or miss
- Additional information
 - Initial state fluctuations
 - nucleon positions
 - N-N impact parameter
 - alignment of fluctuations

Fluctuating Initial Conditions

wounded nuclei



Rihan Haque, Md. et al. Phys.Rev. C86 (2012) 037901 arXiv:1204.2986

Geometric Bias



$d\sigma \sim b \, db$ at high *b*: increased probability for large N-N impact parameter b_{NN}

Geometry Bias in modified Optical Glauber



$$\begin{aligned} T_{AB}(\vec{b}_{AB}) &= \int d\vec{b}_{A} d\vec{b}_{B} \ T_{A}(\vec{b}_{A}) T_{B}(\vec{b}_{B}) t(\vec{b}_{AB} - \vec{b}_{A} + \vec{b}_{B}) \\ &= \int d\vec{s} d\vec{b}_{nn} \ T_{A}(\vec{s}) T_{B}(\vec{s} - \vec{b}_{AB} + \vec{b}_{nn}) t(\vec{b}_{nn}). \end{aligned}$$

 $N_{\rm coll} = T_{\rm AB} \, \sigma_{\rm NN}$

Including an impact parameter dependent nucleon-nucleon overlap function can lead to 20% variation of N_{coll} for peripheral collisions.



Connection to Data $N_{part} N_{coll}$ from Glauber Fit



Model centrality estimator as sources \otimes particle production $P_{N_{\text{ancestor}}} \otimes NBD$ $P_{N_{\text{ancestor}}} = P(N_{\text{ancestor}} = f(N_{\text{part}}, N_{\text{coll}}))$ $P_{\text{NBD}}(n; \mu, k) = \frac{\Gamma(n+k)}{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(k)} \frac{\binom{\mu}{k}^n}{(1+\frac{\mu}{k})^{n+k}}$ $\frac{\sigma}{\mu} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\mu} + \frac{1}{k}}$

Includes fluctuations of number of particles per ancestor (soft particle production)

- onot important for large Nancestor
 - central limit theorem
- significant effects when Nancestor small
 - p-A
 - peripheral A-A

Bias on Soft Particle Production



• Deviations of mean multiplicity per ancestor from μ indicate possible biases.

- Will affect hard production if hard and soft processes are correlated
- In standard Glauber-Fit Approach no correlation between soft particle fluctuations and initial state fluctuations.

Jet Pedestal Effect



Optical proton

- High p_T objects bias towards smaller b where probability for additional interactions is larger increased UE activity.
- Constrain radial parton distribution in proton

Importance of MPI in pp (at LHC)



- At LHC multiple hard scatterings at perturbative scales
- Large contribution to underlying event

Modelling of Multiplicity Bias

bias on soft particle production

0.5

20

60

80

Centrality (%)

100

bias on hard particle production



HIJING Glauber (HG)



Initial state correlation between hard and soft particle production through N-N impact parameter.

Inclusive Hadron RAA in Pb-Pb



HG-Pythia

C Loizides, AM, arXiv:1705.08856



- Generate *N*_{MPI} distribution using HIJING Glauber
- Generate, select and overlap Pythia Events such that the N_{MPI} distribution is reproduced.
- Analyse in bins of forward multiplicity

Model Comparison

C Loizides, AM, arXiv:1705.08856

HIJING

- No quenching, no shadowing but
 - ad-hoc momentum conservation
 - multiple scattering
- Does not give $R_{AA} \rightarrow 1$ at high p_T for central collisions

HG-Pythia:

- use as HIJING *n*hard
- superimpose PYTHIA (Perugia 2011) events
- does not reproduce multiplicity
- Results obtained using event ordering (slicing) for forward multiplicity (2.5<lnl<5)

Multiplicity bias can cause the apparent suppression!



Geometrical and Multiplicity Bias

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Peripheral collisions strongly affected by multiplicity bias.

Centrality in Small Systems

- Needs good understanding / MC modelling of interplay between hard and soft particle production.
- What other experimental constraints do we have?

Naive two Component Model

 between 10 GeV and 10 TeV hard cross-section increases by factor 10⁵

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}N_{\mathrm{ch}}}{\mathrm{d}\eta} = \frac{1}{2} \langle N_{\mathrm{part}} \rangle \langle n_{\mathrm{soft}} \rangle + \langle N_{\mathrm{coll}} \rangle \langle n_{\mathrm{soft}} \rangle \frac{\sigma_{\mathrm{jet}}(\sqrt{s})}{\sigma_{\mathrm{inel}}(\sqrt{s})}$$



- Do hard processes dominate particle production at high \sqrt{s} ?
- Further increase in A-A due to N_{coll} scaling (~ A^2)
- However factorisation not guarantied if many scatterings happen in the same transverse area.

$$a_{\text{hard}} \propto \frac{1}{p_{\text{T0}}^2}$$

Charged particle multiplicity at mid-rapidity



Trend established at lower energy confirmed at LHC! Considerably steeper rise of A-A multiplicity wrt pp.

Centrality Dependence

Although S-shape consistent with hard+soft scaling (f Npart + (1-f)Ncoll) Shape almost energy independent!



"Centrality" Dependence in pp

Heavy Flavour



As in Pb-Pb Transition region soft \rightarrow hard dominated seems to scale with \sqrt{s}

Proton Structure



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UE in pp @ $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV



Clear discriminating power between different models (tunes)

- However, to which extent can we constrain individual mode components:
 - exact impact parameter dependence of hard/soft scattering ?
 - modelling of soft processes ?
 - confidence intervals for the parameters ?
- In principle proton density function could be x-dependent
 - Which measurement would be sensitive to this ?

$$\rho(r,x) \propto \frac{1}{a^3(x)} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{a^2(x)}\right)$$
$$a(x) = a_0 \left(1 + a_1 \ln \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

Initial State for Hydro Calculations



Data: ALICE, PRC 90, 054901 [1406.2474]

- Also consistent with UE measurements ?
- Are there other measurements (UE fluctuations) that can constrain the model ?

Probing Coherence Effects



Two component model Ledge Effect: rise – plateau – rise **1st rise:** increased dominance of hard over soft interactions **2nd rise:** jet bias (jets contribute to soft particle production ~ In *E*_{jet})

Pythia: Color Reconnections





Interplay between hard and soft not enough to describe rise

EPOS: Collective Hadronization







Ledge Effect Re-visited

Multiplicity measured in: $|\eta| < 0.9$

arXiv:1509.08734v1 2.2 Ratio to INEL20 ALICE, pp, $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, charged particles, $|\eta| < 0.8$ Data, $\langle N_{ch}^{acc} \rangle = 6.7$, $\langle N_{ch} \rangle = 9.4 (p_{T} > 0.15 \text{ GeV/}c)$ • $1 \le N_{\rm ch}^{\rm acc} < \langle N_{\rm ch}^{\rm acc} \rangle$ 1.8 $| \langle N_{\rm ch}^{\rm acc} \rangle \le N_{\rm ch}^{\rm acc} < 2 \langle N_{\rm ch}^{\rm acc} \rangle$ 1.6 $N_{\rm ch}^{\rm acc} \ge 2 \langle N_{\rm ch}^{\rm acc} \rangle$ 1.4 1.20.8 0.6 0.4 MC, selection on N_{ch} ----- EPOS LHC, $\langle N_{ch} \rangle = 10.0$ 0.2 - PYTHIA 8 (Monash-2013), $\langle N_{ab} \rangle = 10.1$ 10 $p_{_{\rm T}}$ (GeV/c)

$2.8 < \eta < 4.1 \cup -3.7 < \eta < -1.7$



- Scaling at high *p*_T, reminiscent of *R*_{pA}
 Informs about *N*_{MPI}
- Spectra measured at mid-rapidity,
- hardness multiplicity dependent

"Some kind of centrality measure"

Summary

- Toy model study suggests that apparent suppression in very peripheral AA originates from biases. Relevant for
 - all hard probes
 - at all energies
- Consistent with $R_{pA} = 1$ for similar N_{part}
- Understanding of centrality estimators based on multiplicity or summed energy in small systems pp, p-A, per. A-A hinges on knowledge and modelling of correlations between soft and hard particle production.