The STAR Forward Rapidity Upgrade

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Context

1 Emerging Nucleons

How are gluons, sea quarks, and their intrinsic spins distributed in space and momentum in the nucleon?

2 <u>Nuclear Medium</u>

How do colored quarks and gluons and colorless jets interact with the nuclear medium?

How does the nuclear environment affect quark and gluon distributions?

Are abundant low-momentum gluons confined within nucleons?

3 <u>Gluon Saturation</u>

What happens to the gluon density at high energy?

Are the properties of a saturated gluonic state universal among all nuclei?







Transverse Spin Effects

Origin of large transverse asymmetries at high x_F

$$A_{UT} = \frac{d\sigma^{\uparrow} - d\sigma^{\downarrow}}{d\sigma^{\uparrow} + d\sigma^{\downarrow}}$$

- Disentangle initial and final state effects
 - Transversity distribution
 - Spin-orbit correlations, fragmentation functions
 - Transverse momentum dependent vs. higher twist



Tagged jets



Charged pions



Pions in jets





Nuclear Distribution Functions

- Poorly constrained, esp. towards low x
- LHC data at very high Q²

 $R_{pA} = \frac{1}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle} \frac{dN^{pA}}{dN^{pp}}$

- Direct photons \rightarrow gluon PDF
- Drell-Yan production → sea quarks
 2.5 < η < 4.5

Projections:







Gluon Saturation

Saturation scale

 $Q_A^2(\mathbf{x}) \approx A^{1/3} Q_S^2(\mathbf{x})$

- Scan kinematic range: $x \& Q^2$
 - Trigger p_T
 - Associated p_T
- Test A-dependence
 - p + Al, p + Au
- Other probes (forward)
 - γ-hadron correlation
 - γ –jet correlation



RHIC after Beam Energy Scan II



The STAR Forward Calorimeter System and Forward Tracking System

https://drupal.star.bnl.gov/STAR/starnotes/public/sn0648

Highlights of the STAR midrapidity Physics Program after 2020

https://drupal.star.bnl.gov/STAR/starnotes/public/sn0669



New detector upgrades for potential polarized p + p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 510$ GeV

Forward Calorimeter System



Preshower detector

EM calorimeter

- PHENIX PbSc
- New readout SiPM/APD
- Not compensating

Hadronic calorimeter

- $L = 4 \cdot \lambda_I$
- Sampling iron-scintillator
- Same readout

Calorimeter R&D as part of EIC studies, beam test, and in situ setup at STAR Balance of cost and performance Cost \approx \$ 2.0 M

FCS – Research & Development

- Efforts for ECAL and HCAL as part of EIC R&D
- ECAL test in 2017
 - Hamamatsu SiPM $6 \times 6 \text{ mm}^2$
 - FEE boards and digitizers
 - Integrated into STAR (DAQ, trigger)
- FCS test in 2018
 - Large scale ECAL prototype with HCAL towers







Forward Tracking System

	p+p / p+A	A+A
Tracking	charge separation photon suppression	$rac{\delta p}{p} pprox 20 - 30\%$ at $0.2 < p_T < 2.0~{ m GeV}/c$



- 3 layers of silicon mini-strip disk
 - z = 90, 140, 187 cm
 - Builds on experience of STAR IST (Intermediate Silicon Tracker)
- 4 layers of small-strip Thin Gap Chambers
 - *z* = 270, 300, 330, 360 cm
 - Use of STAR TPC electronics for readout
 - Significant reduction of the project cost

Cost \approx \$ 3.3 M, mostly from Chinese consortium (with UIC and BNL)

FTS – Research & Development

3 Silicon disks:

- 12 wedges, each with 128 azimuthal & 8 radial strips
- Single-sided double-metal Silicon Mini-strip sensors
 - under development @UIC
- Several different frontend chips, APV25-S1 chip (IST)
 - DAQ system for FTS same as IST
 - Replicating the IST cooling system

4 sTGC disks:

- Based on ATLAS R&D from SDU
 - $\approx 0.5\% X_0$ per layer
 - Position resolution ~ 100 μm in x & y direction
- Read out with existing TPC electronics
- Prototype in preparation at SDU
 - ¼ length of ATLAS module
 - 30 cm x 30 cm module with 2 layers



APV25-S1







Summary / Outlook

- The STAR collaboration has proposed a forward detector upgrade that combines tracking and calorimetry at $2.5 < \eta < 4$.
- Hadron structure measurements are highly relevant for the physics of a future electron-ion collider.
- Further tests are planned during 2019 RHIC operations for a full installation and readiness after the beam energy scan (phase II).







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RHIC as a Polarized Proton Collider



Physics Performance

Matching jet reconstruction and partonic kinematics (3<η<4)



Drell-Yan identification (boosted decision trees)



FTS – Efficiencies & Resolution



Full detector simulation

 $\frac{\delta p_T / p_T \approx 25 - 50\%}{3^o < \theta < 8^o}$

