Probing effects from QCD color with γ -h[±]/jet and dihadron/jet correlations

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- However the last several decades have illuminated some of the specific consequences that color can have within QCD!

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- Due to increased phase space for gluon radiation



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 - If TMD factorization, then CSS evolution. If not CSS evolution, then not TMD factorization!





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- Qualitatively similar behavior to Drell-Yan and semi-inclusive DIS interactions where color entanglement is not predicted



Comparing Drell-Yan and $p+p \rightarrow$ hadrons



- Since qualitative behavior is similar, calculations needed to compare transverse-momentum-dependent evolution rates in different processes
- Drell-Yan (no color entanglement predicted) and p+p → hadrons (color entanglement predicted) may exhibit different magnitudes, evolution rates, etc.

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 - Energy loss?
 - Physical effects behind "Cronin" mechanisms?

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Example 2: Color Coherence



• The same underlying QCD phenomena at play - color leads to nonperturbative consequences



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- Third jet more likely to be found at β = 0, β = π, i.e. similar φ but large η gap





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- Jet pull angle preferentially $\sim 0 \rightarrow {\rm color}$ connections
- Color affects radiation patterns within jets

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- It is also especially important for interpretation of future EIC data, where complex color flows may be more difficult to study due to differences in $\ell + p(A) \rightarrow \ell + h + X$ vs. $p+p(A) \rightarrow h/jet + X$

"Backgrounds" in jet observables can actually carry important information about fundamental aspects of QCD!

Back Up

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- Dihadrons give additional QCD interactions in *p*+A collisions compared to direct photon-hadrons
- Measure the p_{out} distributions on both the near-side and away-side in p+p and p+A to compare





• Color coherence measurements study:

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• ATLAS collaboration also measures β_{γ} , defined in a similar way to β_{jet}

$$\beta^{\gamma} = \tan^{-1} \frac{|\phi^{jet2} - \phi^{\gamma}|}{\operatorname{sign}(\eta^{\gamma}) \cdot (\eta^{jet2} - \eta^{\gamma})}$$

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Jet-pull vector predicted to be sensitive to color connections (PRL 105, 022001 (2010))



- Absence of color connection θ_p expected to be distributed uniformly
- Color connection θ_p expected to preferentially lie along jet connection vector $\theta_p \sim 0$

- Example $t\bar{t}$ color topology
- *tt* are color connected via gluon splitting
- Hadronizing quarks from *W* decays can also be color connected

