# Angular distributions of higher order splitting functions in vacuum and in dense QCD matter

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### MOTIVATION

# Quark Gluon Plasma (QGP)

- phase of QCD, where quarks and gluons are deconfined
- connection to early universe (existed a few microseconds after the Big Bang)



### **Heavy-Ion Experiments**



RHIC:

started 2000 p+p and Au+Au collisions at E<sub>NN</sub> = 200 GeV

### LHC:

started 2009 p+p and Pb+Pb collisions at E<sub>NN</sub> = 2.76 TeV (5.5 TeV)



### Jets in Heavy Ion Collisions

- short lifetime  $\sim$  2-10 fm/c
- jets can be used to study the properties of QGP
- main effects of the medium on the jet: jet broadening, radiative energy loss
- kinematics: dijet events with high p<sub>T</sub> jet (RHIC/LHC: p<sub>T</sub>~O(10)/O(100) GeV)



medium modifies parton shower



### Parton Showers

A parton shower is a Monte Carlo generator which allows to calculate exclusive cross sections .  $\frac{1}{2}$  hard  $\frac{1}{2}$  coll. shower

interaction

- adds collinear splittings and hadronization to calculations of hard processes, includes resummation of large Sudakov logarithms
- uses probabilistic picture of Altarelli-Parisi splitting functions to generate collinear radiation

 $\mathrm{d}\sigma = \Delta(\tau)P(\tau,z)$ 



 $p_{\perp}$ 

incorporates coherent branching into splitting functions

Marchesini, Webber

### **Coherent Branching**

$$d\sigma_{n} = d\sigma_{n} \frac{d\omega}{\omega} \frac{d\Omega}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_{S}}{2\pi} \sum_{i,j} C_{ij} W_{ij}$$
  
the antenna function  
$$W_{ij} = \frac{\omega^{2} p_{i} \cdot p_{j}}{p_{i} \cdot q p_{j} \cdot q} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta_{ij}}{(1 - \cos \theta_{iq})(1 - \cos \theta_{jq})}$$
  
can be split  $W_{ij} = W_{ij}^{[i]} + W_{ij}^{[j]}$ 

and integrating around the axis  $p_i$  leads to **angular ordering** 

$$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}\phi_{iq}}{2\pi} W_{ij}^{[i]} = \frac{1}{1 - \cos\theta_{iq}} \Theta(\theta_{ij} - \theta_{iq})$$

<u>Note:</u> **angular ordering** is an effect due to soft physics but is usually incorporated into the collinear splitting functions

## Soft Collinear Effective Theory (SCET)

Bauer, Fleming, Luke, Pirjol, Rothstein, Stewart

 $Qn^{\mu} + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{OCD}})$ 

 $\Lambda_{
m QCD}$ 

 Describes light-like particles (collinear) interacting with a low energetic background (soft)

 describes same kinematic regime as parton shower

• Expansion in  $\lambda \approx \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}}{Q}}$ 

 Power counting: soft:

collinear:

 $p_{\mu} = (p_{+}, p_{-}, p_{\perp}) \propto Q(\lambda^{2}, \lambda^{2}, \lambda^{2})$  $p_{\mu} = (p_{+}, p_{-}, p_{\perp}) \propto Q(\lambda^{2}, 1, \lambda)$ 

### Parton Shower in Medium

very energetic jets compared to average energy of the medium

- hard interaction is not altered by medium
- jet hadronizes outside the medium

- hard coll. shower interaction medium interactions hadronization
- interactions with the medium effect the perpendicular momentum component of the collinear partons but not the longitudinal one
- few interactions with the medium

# Goal

this work:

- study angular distributions of collinear radiation in vacuum
- calculate 3-splitting function in medium
- investigate if collinear radiation in medium exhibits angular ordering/anti-ordering

longterm:

• extend Monte Carlo event generator to be applicable to parton showers in medium

### **ANGULAR DISTRIBUTION IN VACUUM**

### Calculation in Vacuum

we want to study angular distributions of collinear splittings

three parton splitting functions

$$\begin{array}{l} q \to \bar{q}_1' + q_2' + q_3 \ , \ (\bar{q} \to \bar{q}_1' + q_2' + \bar{q}_3) \ , \\ q \to \bar{q}_1 + q_2 + q_3 \ , \ (\bar{q} \to \bar{q}_1 + q_2 + \bar{q}_3) \ , \\ \hline q \to g_1 + g_2 + q_3 \ , \ (\bar{q} \to g_1 + g_2 + \bar{q}_3) \ , \\ g \to g_1 + q_2 + \bar{q}_3 \ , \\ g \to g_1 + q_2 + q_3 \ . \end{array}$$



spin averaged matrix elements  $\sum \left| \mathcal{M}_{n+2}^{(0)} \right|^2 = \frac{4g^4}{s_{123}^2} \langle \hat{P}_{q \to ggq} \rangle \sum \left| \mathcal{M}_n^{(0)} \right|^2$  where

$$s_{ij} \equiv (p_i + p_j)^2$$
  $z_i = \bar{n} \cdot p_i / \bar{n} \cdot (p_1 + p_2 + p_3) = \bar{n} \cdot p_i / \bar{n} \cdot p_0$ 

#### our calculation in SCET $(\mu_2, a_2, p_2)$ $(\mu_1, a_1, p_1)$ $(\mu_1, \mu_1, \mu_1)$ $(\mu_2, \mu_2, \mu_2)$ $(\mu_1, \mu_1, \mu_2)$ $(\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_2)$ $(\mu_1, \mu_2)$ $(\mu_2, \mu_2)$ $(\mu_1, \mu_2)$ $(\mu_1$

reproduces well know QCD result (for  $\epsilon = 0$ ):

$$\langle \hat{P}_{g_1g_2q_3} \rangle = C_F^2 \langle \hat{P}_{g_1g_2q_3}^{(ab)} \rangle + C_F C_A \langle \hat{P}_{g_1g_2q_3}^{(nab)} \rangle$$
 Catani, Grazzini

$$\begin{split} \langle \hat{P}_{g_{1}g_{2}q_{3}}^{(\mathrm{ab})} \rangle &= \frac{s_{123}^{2}}{2s_{13}s_{23}} \frac{z_{3}(1+z_{3}^{2})}{z_{1}z_{2}} + \frac{s_{123}}{s_{13}} \frac{z_{3}(1-z_{1}) + (1-z_{2})^{3}}{z_{1}z_{2}} - \frac{s_{23}}{s_{13}} + (1\leftrightarrow2) \\ \langle \hat{P}_{g_{1}g_{2}q_{3}}^{(\mathrm{nab})} \rangle &= \frac{\left[2(z_{1}s_{23} - z_{2}s_{13}) + (z_{1} - z_{2})s_{12}\right]^{2}}{4(z_{1} + z_{2})^{2}s_{12}^{2}} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{s_{123}^{2}}{2s_{12}s_{13}} \left(\frac{1+z_{3}^{2}}{z_{2}} + \frac{1+(1-z_{2})^{2}}{1-z_{3}}\right) - \frac{s_{123}^{2}}{4s_{13}s_{23}} \frac{z_{3}(1+z_{3}^{2})}{z_{1}z_{2}} + \frac{s_{123}}{2s_{12}} \left(\frac{z_{1}(2-2z_{1}+z_{1}^{2}) - z_{2}(6-6z_{2}+z_{2}^{2})}{z_{2}(1-z_{3})}\right) \\ &+ \frac{s_{123}}{2s_{13}} \left(\frac{(1-z_{2})^{3} + z_{3}^{2} - z_{2}}{z_{2}(1-z_{3})} - \frac{z_{3}(1-z_{1}) + (1-z_{2})^{3}}{z_{1}z_{2}}\right) + (1\leftrightarrow2). \end{split}$$

### **Coherent Branching in Vacuum**



 $z_1 \ll z_2, z_3$ 

needed to define the order of the splittings

define angular anti-ordering

$$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}\phi_{iq}}{2\pi} X_{ij} = \frac{1}{1 - \cos\theta_{iq}} \Theta(\theta_{iq} - \theta_{ij})$$

$$\langle P_{q_0 \to g_1 g_2 q_3} \rangle = \frac{4C_F (1 - c_{23})}{z_1^2} z_2 (1 - z_2) \frac{1 - z_2 + z_2^2/2}{z_2} \left( C_F \left( W_{23}^{[3]} + X_{23} \right) + C_A \left( W_{23}^{[2]} \right) \right)$$

If gluon 1 is radiated at a large angle it sees only the charge of the parent quark since it cannot resolve the daughter partons

 $\rightarrow$  the nonabilian part is angular ordered, the abilian part is not

Splitting function  $q \rightarrow ggq$ 



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 $= \frac{2T_R(1-c_{23})}{z_1^2} = \frac{2T_R(1-c_{23})}{z_1^2} z_2(1-z_2)(z_2^2+(1-z_2)^2) \left(C_F\left(W_{23}^{[2]}+W_{23}^{[3]}\right) + C_A\left(X_{23}\right)\right) + C_A\left(X_{23}\right) + C_$ 



 $P_{g_0 \to g_1 q_2 \bar{q}_3} = \frac{2T_R (1 - c_{23})}{z_1^2} z_2 (1 - z_2) (z_2^2 + (1 - z_2)^2) \left( C_F \left( W_{23}^{[2]} + W_{23}^{[3]} \right) + C_A (X_{23}) \right)$ 



- coll. enhancement
- angular ordering visible at large angles
- angular anti-ordering visible at small angles:
  - absolute value of nonabilian term
  - zero between 10° and 20°



all other graphs are neither angular ordered nor anti-ordered!

#### Cascade $\langle P_{q \to ggq}^{\text{casc}}[k_1, k_2, p] \rangle^{(0)} =$ $s_{123} \left( \frac{\langle P_{q \to gq}^{(0)}[k_2, p+k_1] \rangle \langle P_{q \to gq}^{(0)}[k_1, p] \rangle}{s_{13}} + \frac{\langle P_{q \to gq}^{(0)}[k_1, p+k_2] \rangle \langle P_{q \to gq}^{(0)}[k_2, p] \rangle}{s_{23}} \right)$ $+\frac{\langle P_{q\to gq}^{(0)}[k_1+k_2,p]\rangle\langle P_{g\to gg}^{(0)}[k_1,k_2]\rangle}{s_{12}}\right)$ Splitting function $q \rightarrow ggq$ approximation of the full 3-parton $10^{7}$ splitting using 2-parton splittings Full Cascade $10^{6}$ $(d\phi_1/2\pi) < P_{q \to ggq^2}$ $\langle P_{q_0 \to g_1 g_2 q_3}^{\text{cascade}} \rangle = (1 - c_{23}) \frac{4C_F}{z_1^2} z_2 (1 - z_2) \frac{1 - z_2 + z_2^2/2}{z_2}$ 10<sup>5</sup> $\times \left( C_F \left( W_{23}^{[3]} + X_{23} \right) + C_A \left( W_{23}^{[2]} + X_{23} \right) \right)$ $10^{4}$ factor $(C_F + C_A)/C_F$ $10^{3}$ $\langle P_{q_0 \to g_1 g_2 q_3} \rangle = \frac{4C_F(1 - c_{23})}{z_1^2} z_2(1 - z_2) \frac{1 - z_2 + z_2^2/2}{z_2} \left( C_F\left(W_{23}^{[3]} + X_{23}\right) + C_A\left(W_{23}^{[2]}\right) \right)$ 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 $\theta_{01}[deg]$

### **ANGULAR DISTRIBUTION IN MEDIUM**

### **Calculation in Medium**

- SCET<sub>G</sub>, extension of SCET which includes Ovanesyan, Vitev Glauber modes  $p_G \sim Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda)$ , in addition to collinear  $p_C \sim Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda)$  and soft  $p_S \sim Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda^2)$  modes
- medium is modeled with a finite number of scattering centers with static Debye-screened potential
   Gyulassy, Wang

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^{N} H(q; x_n) = 2\pi \delta(q^0) v(q) \sum_{n=1}^{N} e^{iqx_n} T^a(R) \otimes T^a(n)$$

$$v(q) = \frac{4\pi\alpha_s}{q_z^2 + \mathbf{q^2} + \mu^2}$$

medium parameters:

- Debye screening scale:  $\mu = 0.75 \text{ GeV}$
- medium size: *L* = 5 *fm*
- gluon scattering length:  $\lambda_q = 1 fm$

# Calculation in Medium

- expansion in opacity (# of interactions): single born = one medium interaction double born = two medium interactions
- Important to include double born contact limit for first order in opacity
- average over scattering centers
- first order of opacity valid approximation at RHIC *Gyulassy, Levai, Vitev*

#### Gyulassy, Levai, Vitev



#### 19 single born diagrams:



#### 34 double born diagrams:



Splitting function  $q \rightarrow ggq$ 



<u>scenario 1:</u>  $E_0 = 100 \text{ GeV}$   $z_1 = 0.03$   $z_2 = 0.643$   $\theta_{02} = 10^\circ$  $\theta_{03} = 20^\circ$ 



 $\theta_{01}[deg]$ 

- coll. enhancement
- NO angular ordering
- jet broadening

Splitting function  $q \rightarrow ggq$ 



- coll. enhancement
- NO angular ordering
- jet broadening
- NO angular antiordering
- large cancelations between single and double born contributions

Splitting function  $q \rightarrow ggq$ 



<u>scenario 2:</u>  $E_0 = 100 \text{ GeV}$   $z_1 = 0.03$   $z_2 = 0.282$   $\theta_{02} = 25^\circ$  $\theta_{03} = 10^\circ$ 

#### scenario1:

Splitting function  $q \rightarrow ggq$ 

### scenario 2:

Splitting function  $q \rightarrow ggq$ 



# Conclusion

- We calculated the q->qgg splitting function in medium
- We studied the angular distributions of collinear radiation in vacuum and dense QCD matter
- The full splitting functions are neither angular ordered nor anti-ordered
- The radiation in medium falls off less step with large angles than in vacuum

### **BACKUP SLIDES**



$$\left\langle P_{q_0 \to \bar{q}'_1 q'_2 q_3} \right\rangle = \frac{C_F T_R \left(1 - c_{23}\right)}{z_1} \frac{\left(1 - z_2\right) \left(2\left(1 - z_2\right) + z_2^2\right)}{z_2} \left(W_{23}^{[2]} + X_{23}\right)$$

$$\langle P_{q_0 \to \bar{q}_1 q_2 q_3} \rangle = \frac{C_F (1 - c_{23})}{z_1} \Biggl[ T_R \left( \frac{(1 - z_2)(1 + (1 - z_2)^2)}{z_2} \left( W_{23}^{[2]} + X_{23} \right) + \frac{z_2 (1 + z_2^2)}{(1 - z_2)} \left( W_{23}^{[3]} + X_{23} \right) \Biggr] + 2(C_F - C_A/2) X_{23} \Biggr]$$

$$\langle P_{g_0 \to g_1 g_2 g_3} \rangle = \frac{4C_A^2 (1 - c_{23})}{z_1^2} z_2 (1 - z_2) \left( \frac{z_2}{1 - z_2} + \frac{1 - z_2}{z_2} + z_2 (1 - z_2) \right) \left( W_{23}^{[2]} + W_{23}^{[3]} + X_{23} \right)$$