

Universality of TMD correlators

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Part I: quark correlators



Quark correlators

• Quark correlators can be written as matrix elements



$$\Phi^{\alpha}_{A;ij}(p-p_1|p) = \int \frac{d^4\xi \, d^4\eta}{(2\pi)^8} e^{i(p-p_1)\cdot\xi + ip_1\cdot\eta} \langle P|\overline{\psi}_j(0)A^{\alpha}(\eta)\psi_i(\xi)|P\rangle$$

• The field combination is non-local

Gauge invariance for quark TMDs

Gauge links make the nonlocal combinations of fields gauge invariant

$$U_{[0,\xi]} = \mathcal{P} \exp\left(-ig \int_0^{\xi} ds^{\mu} A_{\mu}\right)$$



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Process dependent

Pretzelocity is T-even and process dependent

Reflection: comparing descriptions



• Differences

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Matrix elements} & \text{TMDs} \\ \text{F.T.} \langle P | \overline{\psi}_j(0) U_{[0,\xi]} \psi_i(\xi) | P \rangle & \leftrightarrow & f_1^{[U]}(x, p_T^2), \, i h_1^{\perp [U]}(x, p_T^2) \frac{p_T}{M}, \dots \\ \text{F.T.} \langle P | \overline{\psi}_j(0) U_{[0,\xi]} A_T(\xi) \psi_i(\xi) | P \rangle & \end{array}$

Similarities

Rank in *A_T*, *iD_T*, ...

Time reversal symmetry

 $\leftrightarrow \qquad \text{Rank in } p_T, \, p_T p_T, \, \dots$

↔ Time reversal symmetry

Mellin moments

• Collinear functions

$$\Phi^{q}(x) = \int \frac{d(\xi \cdot P)}{2\pi} e^{ip \cdot \xi} \langle P | \overline{\psi}(\mathbf{0}) U_{[0,\xi]}^{[n]} \psi(\xi) | P \rangle_{\xi \cdot n = \xi_{T} = 0}$$

$$x^{N-1}\Phi^{q}(x) = \int \frac{d(\xi \cdot P)}{2\pi} e^{ip \cdot \xi} \langle P | \overline{\psi}(\mathbf{0}) (i\partial^{n})^{N-1} U_{[0,\xi]}^{[n]} \psi(\xi) | P \rangle_{\xi \cdot n = \xi_{T} = 0}$$
$$= \int \frac{d(\xi \cdot P)}{2\pi} e^{ip \cdot \xi} \langle P | \overline{\psi}(\mathbf{0}) U_{[0,\xi]}^{[n]} (iD^{n})^{N-1} \psi(\xi) | P \rangle_{\xi \cdot n = \xi_{T} = 0}$$

 Moments correspond to local matrix elements with calculable anomalous dimensions, that can be Mellin transformed to splitting functions

$$\Phi^{(N)} = \langle P | \overline{\psi}(\mathbf{0}) (iD^n)^{N-1} \psi(\boldsymbol{\xi}) | P \rangle_{\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot n = \boldsymbol{\xi}_T = 0}$$

• For TMD functions one can consider transverse moments

$$p_T^{\alpha}\Phi^{[U]}(x,p_T;n) = \int \frac{d(\xi \cdot P)d^2\xi_T}{(2\pi)^3} e^{ip \cdot \xi} \langle P|\overline{\psi}(0)i\partial_T^{\alpha}U_{[0,\xi]}\psi(\xi)|P\rangle_{\xi \cdot n=0}$$

• Due to transverse directions, partonic operators show up. For the simplest gauge links one finds

$$i\partial_T^{\alpha} U_{[0,\xi]}^{[\pm]} = U_{[0,\xi]}^{[\pm]} \left(iD_T^{\alpha}(\xi) - gA_T^{\alpha}(\xi) \pm G^{n\alpha}(\xi) \right)$$

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$$\stackrel{p-p_1}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\Phi_D(x) = \int dx_1 \Phi_D^{\alpha}(x - x_1, x_1 | x)}{\Phi_A(x) = PV \int dx_1 \frac{1}{x_1} \Phi_F^{n\alpha}(x - x_1, x_1 | x)}$$

$$\stackrel{\Phi_D(x) = PV \int dx_1 \frac{1}{x_1} \Phi_F^{n\alpha}(x - x_1, x_1 | x)}{\Phi_A(x) = \Phi_D^{\alpha}(x) - \Phi_A^{\alpha}(x)}$$

$$\stackrel{\Phi_D(x) = \Phi_D^{\alpha}(x) - \Phi_A^{\alpha}(x)}{\Phi_G(x) = \pi \Phi_F^{\alpha}(x, 0 | x)}$$

Bomhof, Mulders, (2007); Dominguez, Xiao, Yuan (2011); MGAB, Mukherjee, Mulders (2012)

Efremov & Teryaev (1982); Qiu and Sterman (1991); Boer, Mulders & Pijlman, NP B667 (2003) 201; Bomhof, Mulders and Pijlman, EPJ C 47 (2006) 147

- Behavior of TMDs under time reversal symmetry and rank can be used to identify their corresponding matrix element

$$i\frac{\not p_T}{M}h_1^{\perp[U]}(x,p_T^2) \longrightarrow \text{T-odd & rank 1} \longrightarrow \text{part of } \Phi_G(x)$$
$$-\frac{p_T \cdot S_T}{M}\gamma_5 g_{1T}^{[U]}(x,p_T^2) \longrightarrow \text{T-even & rank 1} \longrightarrow \text{part of } \widetilde{\Phi}_{\partial}(x)$$

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• Generalization for quarks

	RANK		
# GPs	0	1	2
0	$\Phi(x, p_T^2)$	$\widetilde{\Phi}_{\partial}$	$\widetilde{\Phi}_{\partial\partial}$
1		$C_G^{[U]}\Phi_G$	$C_G^{[U]}\widetilde{\Phi}_{\{\partial G\}}$
2			$C^{[U]}_{GG,c}\Phi_{GG,c}$

	RANK OF TMD PDFs FOR QUARKS		
# GPs	0	1	2
0	f_1^q,g_1^q,h_1^q	$g^q_{1T},h^{\perp q}_{1L}$	$h_{1T}^{\perp q(A)}$
1		$f_{1T}^{\perp q},h_1^{\perp q}$	
2			$h_{1T}^{\perp q(Bc)}$

MGAB, Mukherjee, Mulders, PRD 86 (2012) 074030

Universality

Some PDFs are non-universal, but they can always be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} f_{1T}^{\perp[U]} &= C_G^{[U]} f_{1T}^{\perp} \\ h_1^{\perp[U]} &= C_G^{[U]} h_1^{\perp} \\ h_{1T}^{\perp[U]} &= h_{1T}^{\perp(A)} + C_{GG,1}^{[U]} h_{1T}^{\perp(B1)} + C_{GG,2}^{[U]} h_{1T}^{\perp(B2)} \end{aligned}$$

• Non-universality is isolated in numerical coefficients

Examples of universality

• Different processes give different gauge link structures



Sivers, PRD 41 (1990) 83; Collins, PLB 536, 43 (2002); Brodsky et al, NPB642, 344 (2002)

Examples of universality

• Different processes give different gauge link structures



• More complicated processes also give $h_{1T}^{\perp(B_2)}$

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Part II: gluon correlators



Gluon correlators

• Similar to quarks, the gluon correlator can be written as a matrix element.



$$\Gamma^{\mu\nu}(x,p_T;n) = \int \frac{d(\xi \cdot P)d^2\xi_T}{(2\pi)^3} e^{ip \cdot \xi} \langle P| F^{n\mu}(0) F^{n\nu}(\xi) | P \rangle$$

Depending on polarization(s), different contributions are required gluon polarization



Gauge links

• For gluons more gauge link structures exist



- More complicated structures arise for complicated processes
- C.J. Bomhof, P.J. Mulders and F. Pijlman, PLB 596 (2004) 277 C.J. Bomhof, P.J. Mulders, F. Pijlman, Eur.Phys.J. C47 (2006) 147

Gauge links

• The simplest gauge links have simple interpretations



• All color in the initial state, e.g.



- All color to the final state, e.g.
- Color splitting: some in the initial state, some to the final state



Color structures



Bomhof, PJM, 2007; Dominguez, Xiao, Yuan (2011); MGAB, A Mukherjee, Mulders, 2013

Color structures

- This gives the operator combinations
 - Commutators

$$\Gamma_{G,c=1} \to \operatorname{Tr}_c \left(F(0) \left[G, F(\xi) \right] \right)$$

$$\Gamma_{GG,c=1} \to \operatorname{Tr}_c \left(F(0) \left[G, \left[G, F(\xi) \right] \right] \right)$$

$$\Gamma_{GGG,c=1} \to \operatorname{etc.}$$



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• Anti-commutators $\Gamma_{G,c=2} \to \operatorname{Tr}_c \left(F(0) \left\{ G, F(\xi) \right\} \right)$ $\Gamma_{GG,c=2} \to \operatorname{Tr}_c \left(F(0) \left\{ G, \left\{ G, F(\xi) \right\} \right\} \right)$ $\Gamma_{GGG,c=2} \to \text{etc.}$

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Color structures

- For higher transverse moments, operator structures contain
 - Color traces

$$\Gamma_{GG,c=3} \to \operatorname{Tr}_c\left(F(0)F(\xi)\right)\operatorname{Tr}_c\left(\{G,G\}\right)$$



- And combinations thereof
- One obtains a finite number of operator structures

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Universality

• Depending on the process, TMDs contain multiple contributions



Summary and conclusions

- Transverse directions are required
 - TMDs
 - Polarizations
- Gauge links are required
 - TMDs become process dependent
 - Universality broken?
- Solving the puzzles
 - Linear combination of finite number of TMDs
 - Quarks: for h_1^{\perp} , f_{1T}^{\perp} and h_{1T}^{\perp}
 - Gluons: for $h_1^{\perp g}$, $h_{1L}^{\perp g}$, $f_{1T}^{\perp g}$, h_{1T}^{g} and $h_{1T}^{\perp g}$

