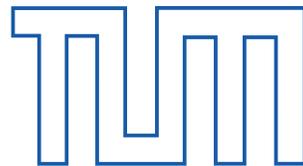


# Jet quenching in an EFT framework

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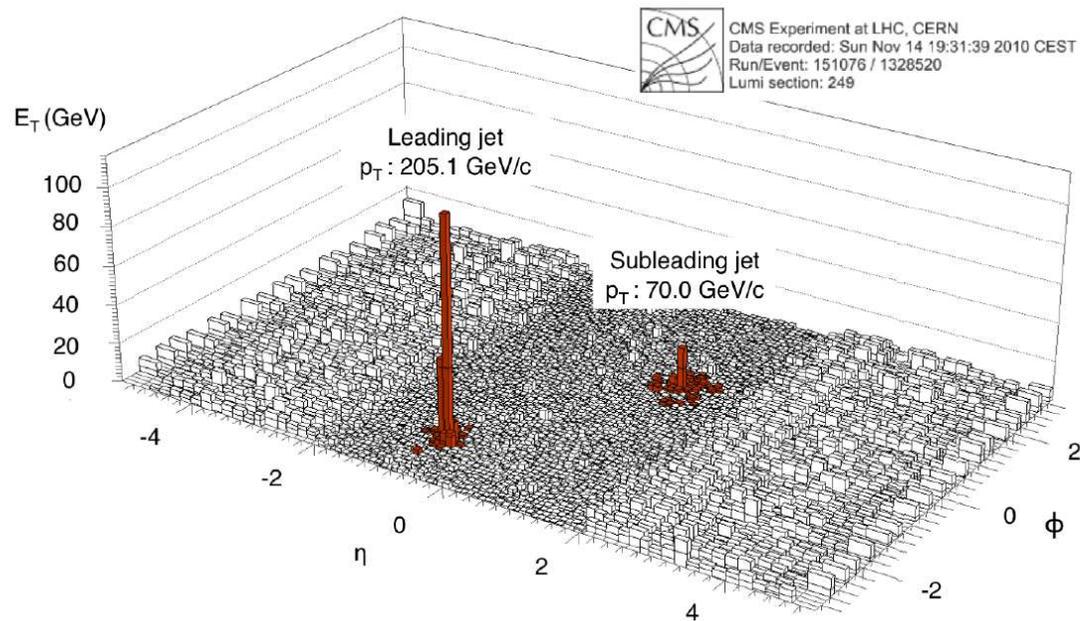
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# 1. INTRODUCTION

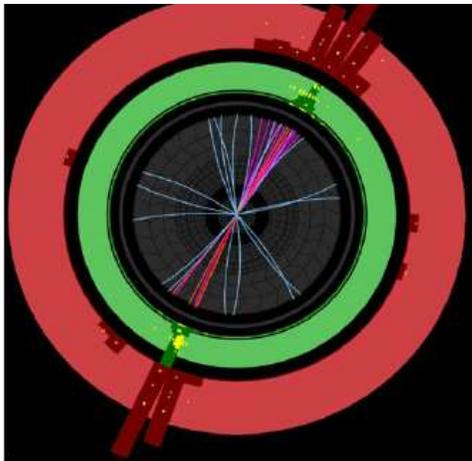
# Jet quenching

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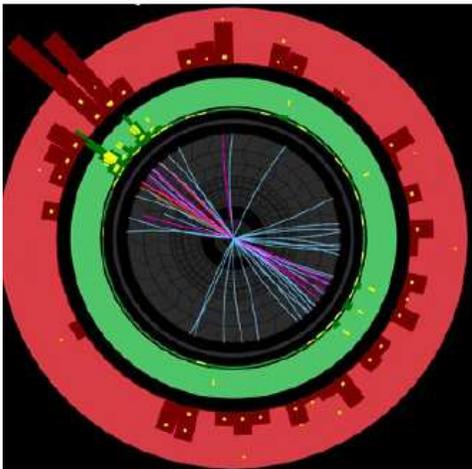
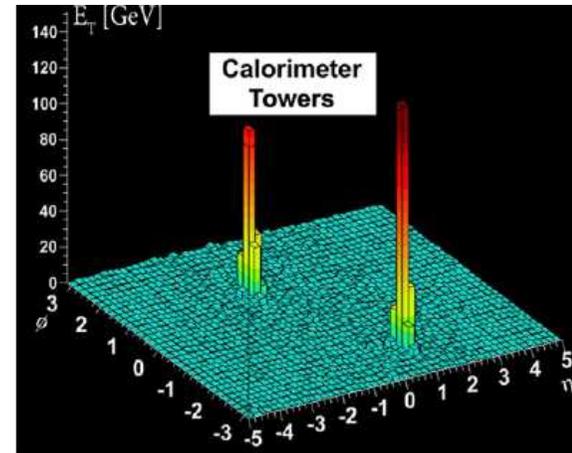
This phenomenon happens when a very energetic quark or gluon,  $Q \gg T$ , which in vacuum would manifest itself as a jet, going through a strongly coupled plasma loses sufficient energy that few high momentum hadrons are seen in the final state.



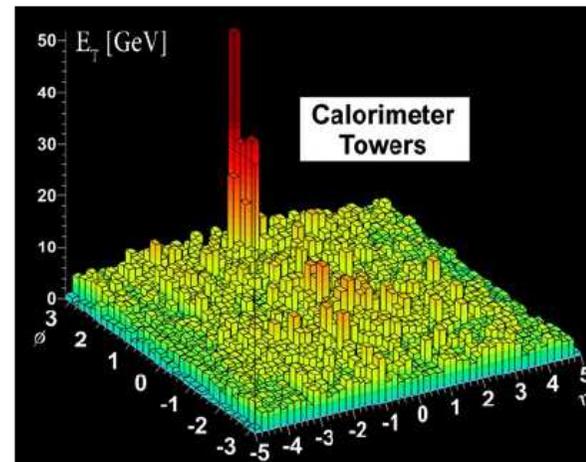
# Jet quenching



p+p event



Pb+Pb event  
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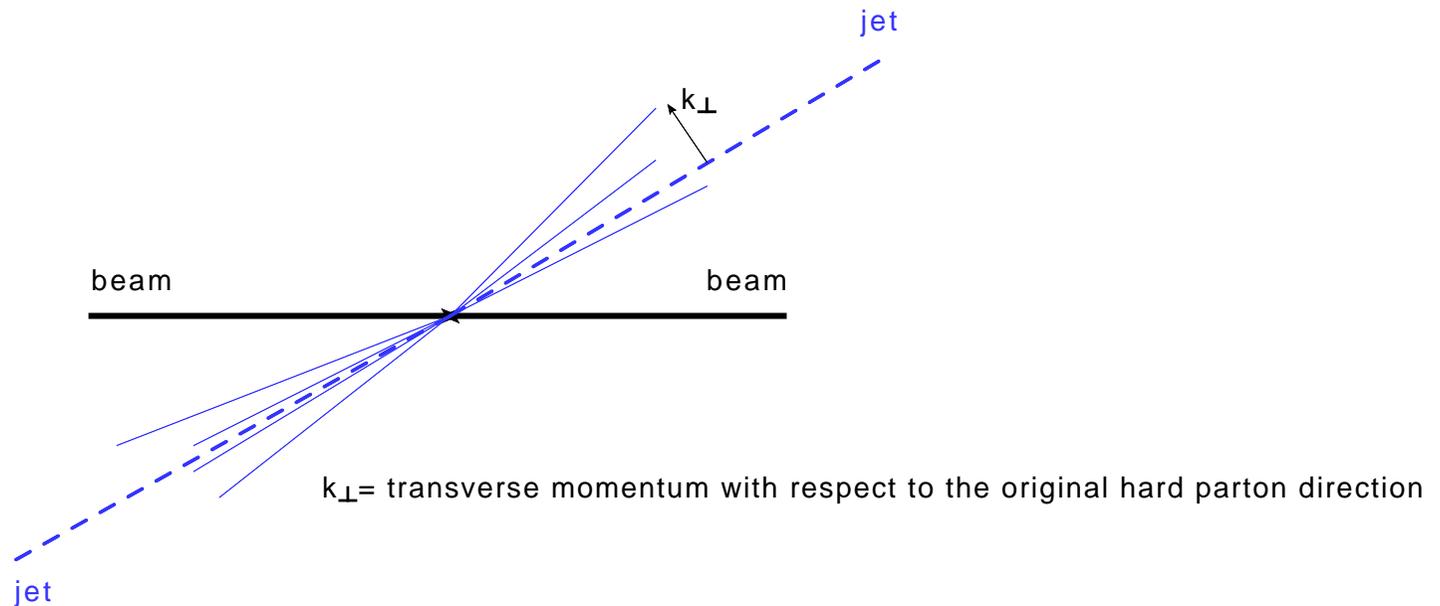


# Jet quenching

Jet quenching manifests itself in many observables.

In particular, the hard partons produced in the collision

- lose energy;
- change direction of their momenta: **transverse momentum broadening**.



## Jet quenching parameter $\hat{q}$

$P(k_{\perp})$  is the **probability** that after propagating through the medium for a distance  $L$  the hard parton acquires transverse momentum  $k_{\perp}$ ,

$$\int \frac{d^2 k_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} P(k_{\perp}) = 1$$

$\hat{q}$  is the **jet quenching parameter**, i.e. the mean square transverse momentum picked up by the hard parton per unit distance traveled,

$$\hat{q} = \frac{\langle k_{\perp}^2 \rangle}{L} = \frac{1}{L} \int \frac{d^2 k_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} k_{\perp}^2 P(k_{\perp})$$

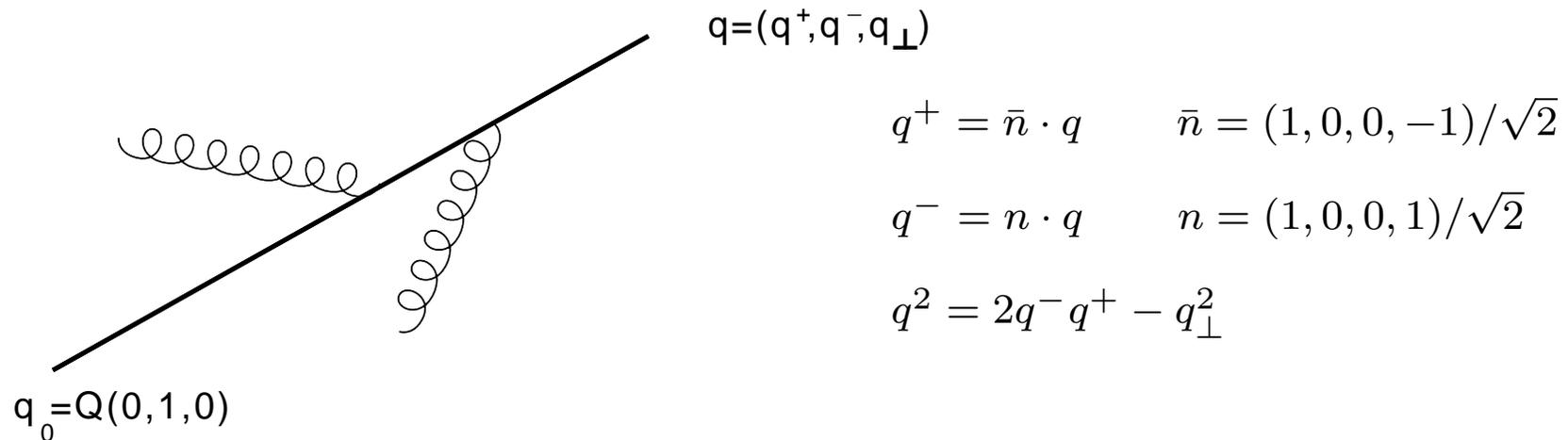
## Jet quenching: early literature

There has been a long-time effort to determine  $\hat{q}$  from QCD.

- The relation of  $\hat{q}$  to the expectation value of two Wilson lines oriented along one of the light-cone directions has been established over the last fifteen years.
  - Baier Dokshitzer Mueller Peigne Schiff NP B483 (1997) 291
  - Zakharov JETPL 63 (1996) 952
  - Casalderrey-Solana Salgado APP B38 (2007) 3731
  - Liang Wang Zhou PR D77 (2008) 125010
- Effective field theories (EFTs) taking advantage in a systematic way of the many scales involved in the problem have been used more recently.
  - D'Eramo Liu Rajagopal PR D84 (2011) 065015
  - Ovanesyan Vitev JHEP 1106 (2011) 080

## Energy scales: kinematics and medium

A highly energetic parton,  $Q > 100$  GeV, propagates along the light-cone direction  $\bar{n}$ .



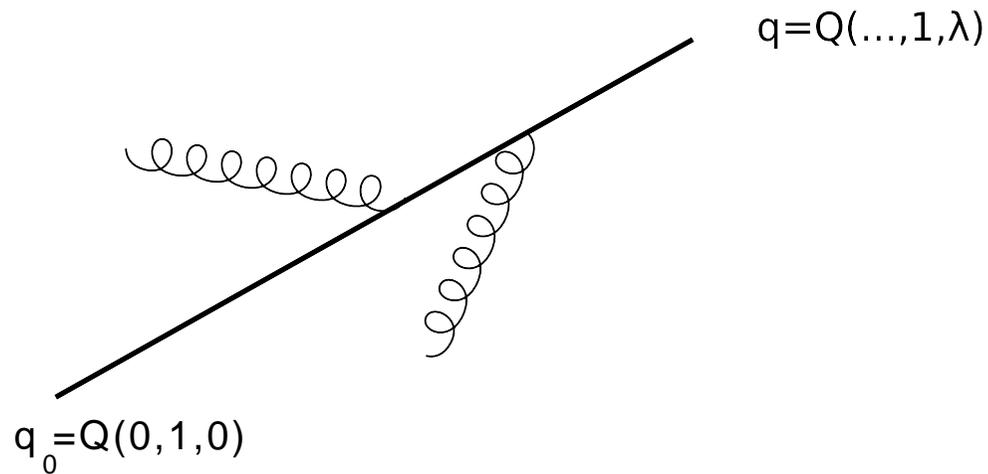
In a medium characterized by a scale (e.g. temperature)  $T \ll Q$ :

$$\lambda \equiv \frac{T}{Q} \ll 1$$

$\lambda$  will be the relevant expansion parameter.

## Energy scales: collinear partons

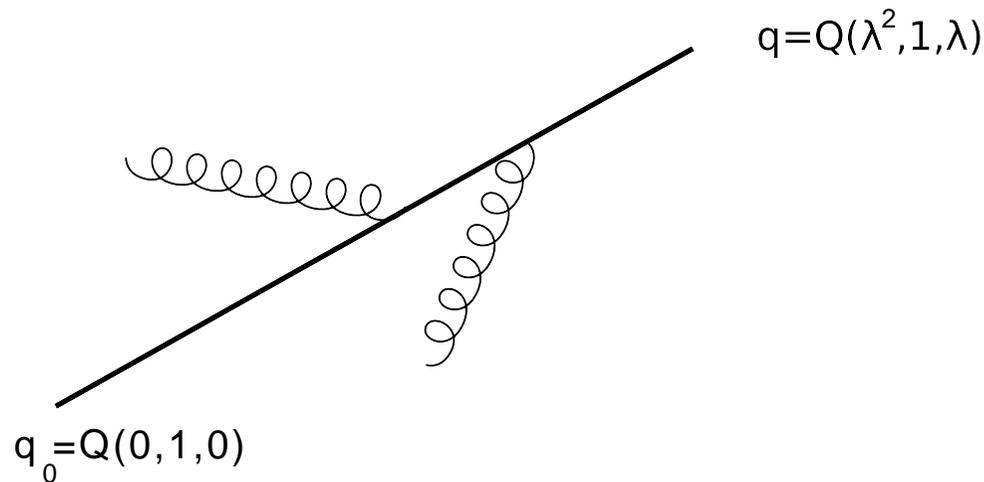
We consider partons that undergo a transverse momentum broadening of order  $Q\lambda$ :



- if  $q = Q(\lambda, 1, \lambda)$ , the parton is off shell by  $\sim Q^2 \lambda$ : the parton is **hard-collinear**;
- if  $q = Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda)$ , the parton is off shell by  $\sim Q^2 \lambda^2$ : the parton is **collinear**.

## Energy scales: Glauber gluons

We consider the transverse momentum broadening of a collinear parton:

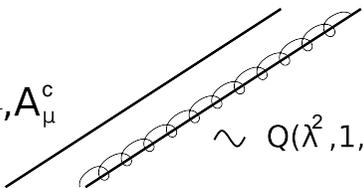


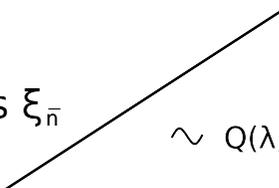
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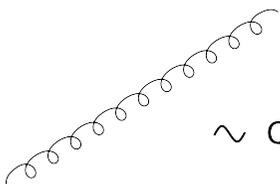
- fragmentation into collinear partons (gluons, quarks) of momentum  $q = Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda)$ ;
- scattering by **soft gluons** of momentum  $q = Q(\lambda, \lambda, \lambda)$ ;
- scattering by **Glauber gluons** of momentum  $q = Q(\lambda^2, \lambda, \lambda)$  or  $q = Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda)$ .

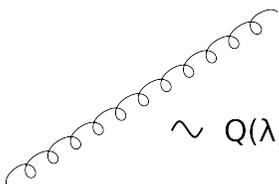
# Degrees of freedom

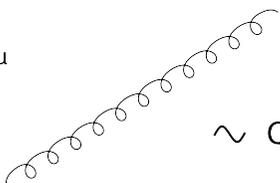
The relevant degrees of freedom are:

- Collinear partons  $\xi_{\bar{n}}, A_{\mu}^c$    $\sim Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda)$

- Hard-collinear quarks  $\xi_{\bar{n}}$    $\sim Q(\lambda, 1, \lambda)$

- Glauber gluons  $A_{\mu}$    $\sim Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda)$  or  $Q(\lambda^2, \lambda, \lambda)$

- Soft gluons  $A_{\mu}$    $\sim Q(\lambda, \lambda, \lambda)$

- Ultrasoft gluons  $A_{\mu}$    $\sim Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda^2)$

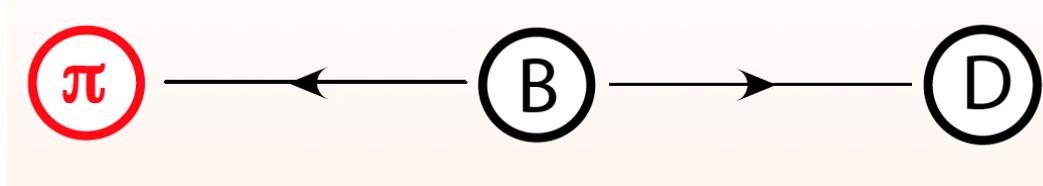
# Soft Collinear Effective Theory (SCET)

SCET is the suitable EFT for processes that involve a large energy transfer (larger than any other scale including masses).

- $B$  decays by weak interactions:

$B \rightarrow X_u \ell \bar{\nu}$ ,  $B \rightarrow D\pi$ ,  $B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$ ,  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$ ,  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ ,  $B \rightarrow \rho \gamma$ ,  $B \rightarrow \rho \gamma$ ,  
 $B \rightarrow \rho \rho$ ,  $B \rightarrow \pi \pi$ ,  $B \rightarrow D^* \eta'$ ,  $B \rightarrow K \pi$ ,  $B \rightarrow \gamma \ell \bar{\nu}$ ,  $\Upsilon \rightarrow X \gamma$ , ...

Ex.  $B \rightarrow D\pi$



$$p_\pi^\mu \approx (2.3 \text{ GeV}, 0, 0, -2.3 \text{ GeV}) \sim Q \bar{n}^\mu \sim Q(0, 1, 0)$$

$Q \gg \Lambda$ , hence  $\lambda \sim \Lambda/Q$

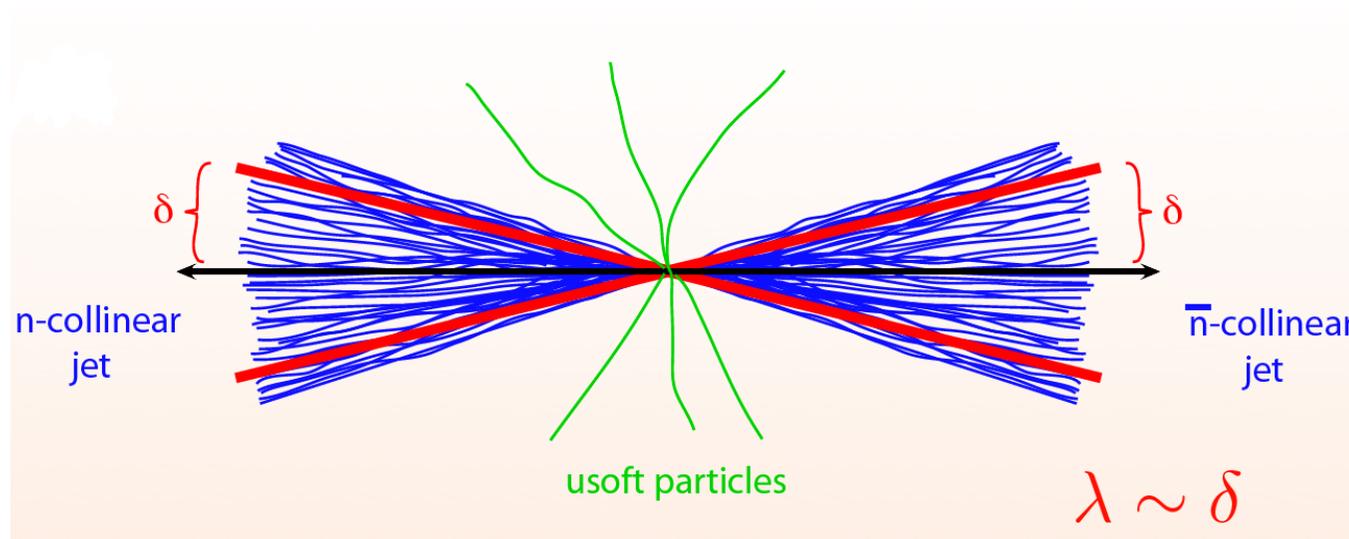
- soft constituent (of  $B$  and  $D$ ):  $p_s^\mu \sim (\Lambda, \Lambda, \Lambda) \sim Q(\lambda, \lambda, \lambda)$
- collinear constituent (after boost):  $p_c^\mu \sim (\Lambda^2/Q, Q, \Lambda) \sim Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda)$

# Soft Collinear Effective Theory (SCET)

- High-energy collisions and jets:

$e^- p \rightarrow e^- X$ ,  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow X e^+ e^-$ ,  $e^- \gamma \rightarrow e^- \pi^0$ ,  $e^- e^+ \rightarrow \text{jets}$ ,  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \text{jets}$ ,  
 $e^- e^+ \rightarrow J/\psi X$ , ...

Ex.  $e^- e^+ \rightarrow \text{jets}$



$Q \gg \Delta$ , hence  $\lambda \sim \Delta/Q$

- Jet constituents:  $p^\mu \sim (\Delta^2/Q, Q, \Delta) \sim Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda)$

## 2. GAUGE INVARIANT $P(k_{\perp})$

## SCET for transverse momentum broadening

The EFT that describes the propagation of a collinear quark in the  $\bar{n}$ -direction is **SCET coupled to collinear, soft, Glauber and ultrasoft gluons**:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\bar{n}} = \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} i \not{n} \cdot D \xi_{\bar{n}} + \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} i \not{D}_{\perp} \frac{1}{2i n \cdot D} i \not{D}_{\perp} \not{n} \xi_{\bar{n}}$$

We will consider now the **contribution of soft, Glauber and ultrasoft gluons only** and rescale  $\bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} \rightarrow e^{-iQx^+} \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}}$ . The Lagrangian, organized as an expansion in  $\lambda$ , is then

$$\mathcal{L}_{\bar{n}} = \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} i \not{n} \cdot D \xi_{\bar{n}} + \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} \frac{D_{\perp}^2}{2Q} \not{n} \xi_{\bar{n}} + \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} i \frac{g F_{\perp}^{\mu\nu}}{4Q} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_{\nu} \not{n} \xi_{\bar{n}} + \dots$$

- Idilbi Majumder PR D80 (2009) 054022

## Power-counting in covariant gauges

In a covariant gauge and in the presence of covariant soft sources, it is ( $q^+ \sim Q\lambda^2$ )

$$A^+ \sim A_\perp \sim Q\lambda^2$$

which follows from the equation of motion of a collinear parton and Lorentz symmetry.

- Note, however, that the fields are not homogeneous in the energy scales.

For  $\partial_\perp \sim \lambda$  (when acting on collinear quarks), the leading order Lagrangian in  $\lambda$  is

$$\mathcal{L}_{\bar{n}} = \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} i \not{h}_{\bar{n}} \cdot D \xi_{\bar{n}} + \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} \frac{\partial_\perp^2}{2Q} \not{h}_{\bar{n}} \xi_{\bar{n}}$$

## Decoupling of ultrasoft gluons

- Ultrasoft gluons decouple at lowest order from collinear quarks through

$$\xi_{\bar{n}} \rightarrow \text{P exp} \left\{ ig \int_{-\infty}^{x^-} dy \bar{n} \cdot A_{\text{us}}(x^+, y, x_{\perp}) \right\} \xi_{\bar{n}}$$

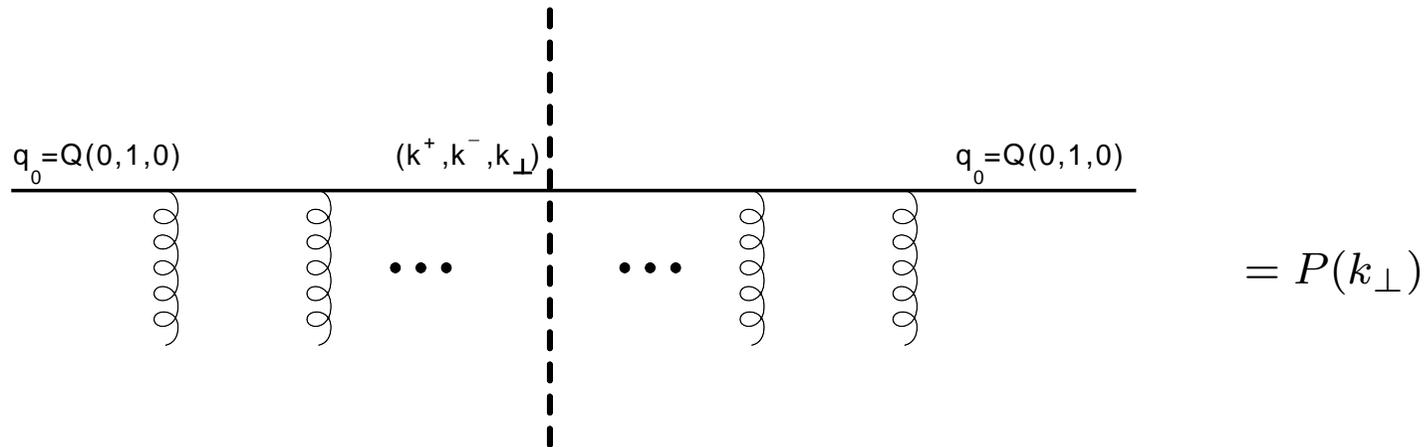
- The field redefinition works for ultrasoft gluons because, at lowest order, the kinetic energy,  $\nabla_{\perp}^2 / (2Q)$ , commutes with ultrasoft gluons. For the opposite reason, the field redefinition would not decouple, even at lowest order, Glauber gluons from collinear quarks.
- We may consider in the Lagrangian soft and Glauber gluons only.

# Jet broadening in covariant gauges

Only one relevant vertex



for the scattering amplitude



for  $k_\perp \neq 0$  and normalizing by the number of particles in the medium ( $= \Delta t/L$ ).

## Glauber and soft gluons in covariant gauge

- **Glauber gluon** propagators may be approximated by (e.g. in Feynman gauge)

$$D_{\mu\nu}(k) = D(k^2)g_{\mu\nu} \approx D(k_{\perp}^2)g_{\mu\nu}$$

- This implies that the scattering amplitude has the form

$$\int \prod_i \frac{d^4 q_i}{(2\pi)^4} \cdots \frac{iQ\not{k}}{2Qq_2^+ - q_{2\perp}^2 + i\epsilon} A^+(q_2 - q_1)\not{k} \frac{iQ\not{k}}{2Qq_1^+ - q_{1\perp}^2 + i\epsilon} A^+(q_1 - q_0)\not{k}\xi_{\bar{n}}(q_0)$$

$$\approx \int dy^+ d^2 y_{\perp} \prod_i dy_i^- \cdots \theta(y_3^- - y_2^-) A^+(y^+, y_2^-, y_{\perp}) \theta(y_2^- - y_1^-) A^+(y^+, y_1^-, y_{\perp}) \xi_{\bar{n}}(q_0)$$

where  $\not{k}\xi_{\bar{n}}(q_0) = 0$  and  $\xi_{\bar{n}}^{\dagger}(q_0)\xi_{\bar{n}}(q_0) = \sqrt{2}Q$ .

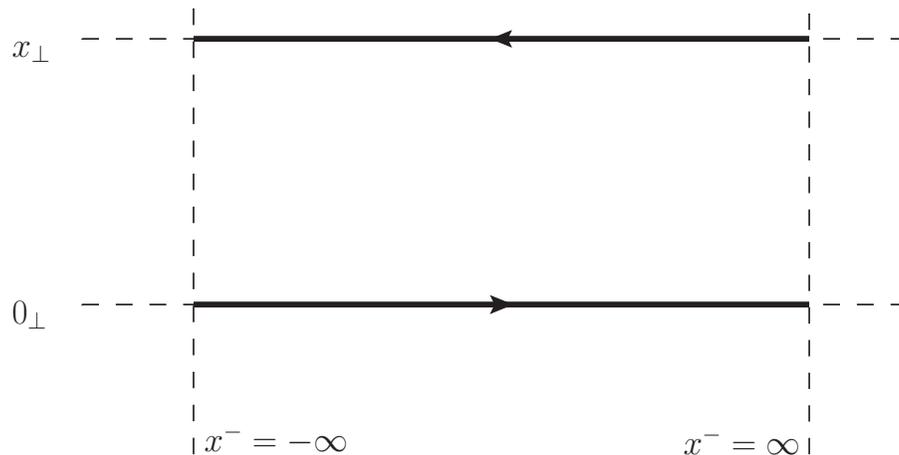
- The same result holds if one considers the interaction of **soft gluons** with **collinear and hard-collinear quarks**. In this case, one has to recall that the hard-collinear quark propagator reads  $\frac{i}{2q^+ + i\epsilon}\not{k}$

## Jet broadening in covariant gauges

$$P(k_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{N_c} \int d^2 x_{\perp} e^{ik_{\perp} \cdot x_{\perp}} \left\langle \text{Tr} \left\{ W^{\dagger}[0^+, x_{\perp}] W[0^+, 0_{\perp}] \right\} \right\rangle$$

where  $\langle \dots \rangle$  is a medium average

and  $W[0^+, x_{\perp}] = \text{P exp} \left\{ ig \int_{-L/\sqrt{2}}^{L/\sqrt{2}} dx^- A^+(0^+, x^-, x_{\perp}) \right\}$ , for  $L \rightarrow \infty$ .



- The fields are **path ordered (P)** but **not time ordered**;
- the expression is **not gauge invariant** (e.g. for  $A^+ = 0$ ,  $W = 1$ ).

- Baier et al NP B483 (1997) 291, Zakharov JETPL 63 (1996) 952  
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## Power-counting in light-cone gauge

Consider the light-cone gauge  $A^+ = 0$ :

$$D_{\mu\nu}(k) = D(k^2) \left( g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{k_\mu \bar{n}_\nu + k_\nu \bar{n}_\mu}{[k^+]} \right)$$

for Glauber gluons  $k_\perp/[k^+] \sim 1/\lambda$ , which leads to an enhancement of order  $\lambda$  in the singular part of the propagator.

Moreover, because of the  $k_\perp/[k^+]$  singularity,

$$A_\perp(x^+, x^-, x_\perp) = A_\perp^{\text{cov}}(x^+, x^-, x_\perp) + \theta(x^-) A_\perp(x^+, \infty^-, x_\perp) + \theta(-x^-) A_\perp(x^+, -\infty^-, x_\perp)$$

where  $A_\perp^{\text{cov}}$  vanishes at infinity and  $A_\perp(x^+, \pm\infty^-, x_\perp) = \partial_\perp \phi^\pm(x^+, x_\perp)$ :

- $A_\perp$  does not vanish at infinity where it becomes pure gauge,
- but the field tensor does (because the energy of the gauge field is finite).

○ Belitsky Yuan NP B656 (2003) 165

Garcia-Echevarria Idilbi Scimemi PR D84 (2011) 011502

## Power-counting in light-cone gauge

In the  $A^+ = 0$  light-cone gauge, the scaling of the Glauber fields appearing in the Lagrangian goes like

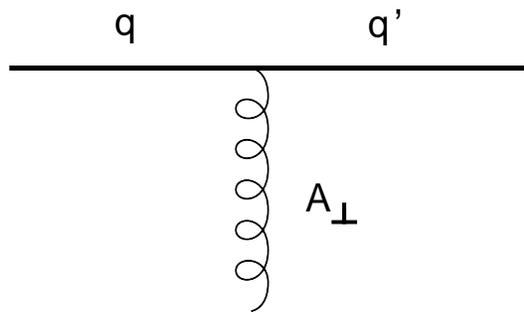
$$A^+ = 0 \quad A_{\perp}^{\text{cov}} \sim Q\lambda^2 \quad \partial_{\perp}\phi^{\pm} \sim Q\lambda$$

The leading order Lagrangian in  $\lambda$  is

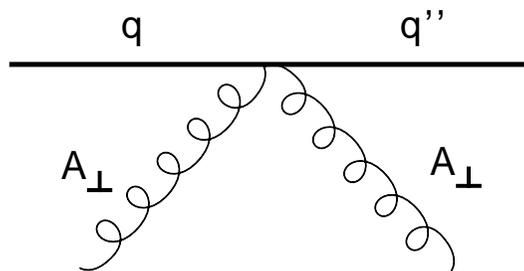
$$\mathcal{L}_{\bar{n}} = \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} i\not{p}_{\bar{n}} \cdot \partial \xi_{\bar{n}} + \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} \frac{(\partial_{\perp} - ig\theta(x^-)\partial_{\perp}\phi^+ - ig\theta(-x^-)\partial_{\perp}\phi^-)^2}{2Q} \not{p}_{\bar{n}} \xi_{\bar{n}}$$

## Jet broadening in light-cone gauge

The relevant vertices are two



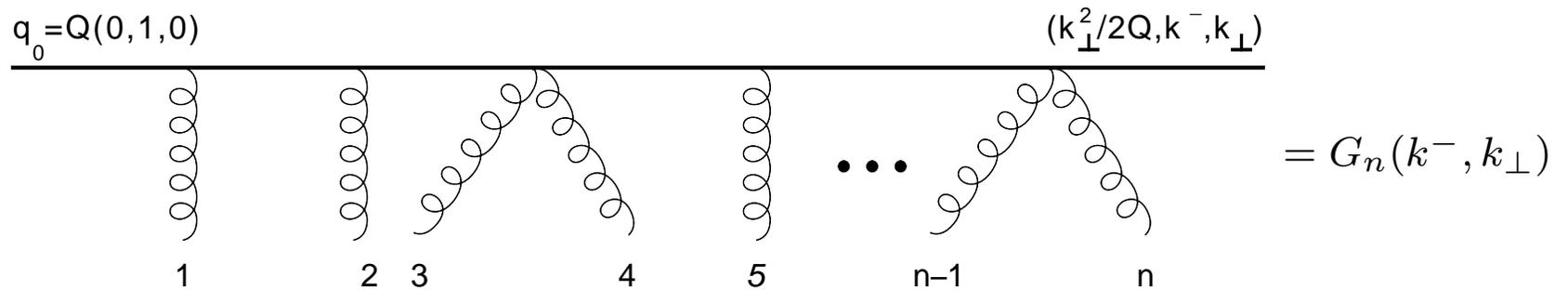
$$= -ig \frac{q'_{\perp} \cdot A_{\perp}(q' - q) + A_{\perp}(q' - q) \cdot q_{\perp}}{2Q} \not{n}$$



$$= -\frac{ig^2}{2Q} \int \frac{d^4 q'}{(2\pi)^4} A_{\perp}^i(q'' - q') A_{\perp}^i(q' - q) \not{n}$$

## Jet broadening in light-cone gauge

From the vertices one constructs the amplitude (on the left of the cut)



$G_n$  is a convolution of  $G_{n-j}^+$ , which involves only fields at  $x^- = \infty$  and  $G_j^-$ , which involves only fields at  $x^- = -\infty$ :

$$G_n(k^-, k_\perp) = \sum_{j=0}^n \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} G_{n-j}^+(k^-, k_\perp, q) \frac{iQ \not{k}}{2Qq^+ - q_\perp^2 + i\epsilon} G_j^-(q)$$

## Jet broadening in light-cone gauge

The computation is done by

- solving recursively (analogously for  $G_n^+(q)$ )

$$G_n^-(q) = \int \frac{d^4 q'}{(2\pi)^4} G_{n-1}^-(q') \begin{array}{c} q' \qquad q \\ \hline \text{wavy line} \end{array} + \int \frac{d^4 q''}{(2\pi)^4} G_{n-2}^-(q'') \begin{array}{c} q'' \qquad q \\ \hline \text{two wavy lines} \end{array}$$

- writing the differential amplitude as

$$\frac{1}{L^3 \sqrt{2} Q} \int \frac{dk^+}{2\pi} \int \frac{dk^-}{2\pi} 2\pi Q \delta(2Qk_+ - k_\perp^2) \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}}(q_0) G_m^\dagger(k^-, k_\perp) \bar{h} G_n(k^-, k_\perp) \xi_{\bar{n}}(q_0)$$

- eventually summing over all  $m$  and  $n$ .

## Jet broadening in light-cone gauge

$$P(k_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{N_c} \int d^2 x_{\perp} e^{i k_{\perp} \cdot x_{\perp}} \left\langle \text{Tr} \left\{ T^{\dagger}[0^+, -\infty^-, x_{\perp}] T[0^+, \infty^-, x_{\perp}] \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times T^{\dagger}[0^+, \infty^-, 0_{\perp}] T[0^+, -\infty^-, 0_{\perp}] \right\} \right\rangle$$

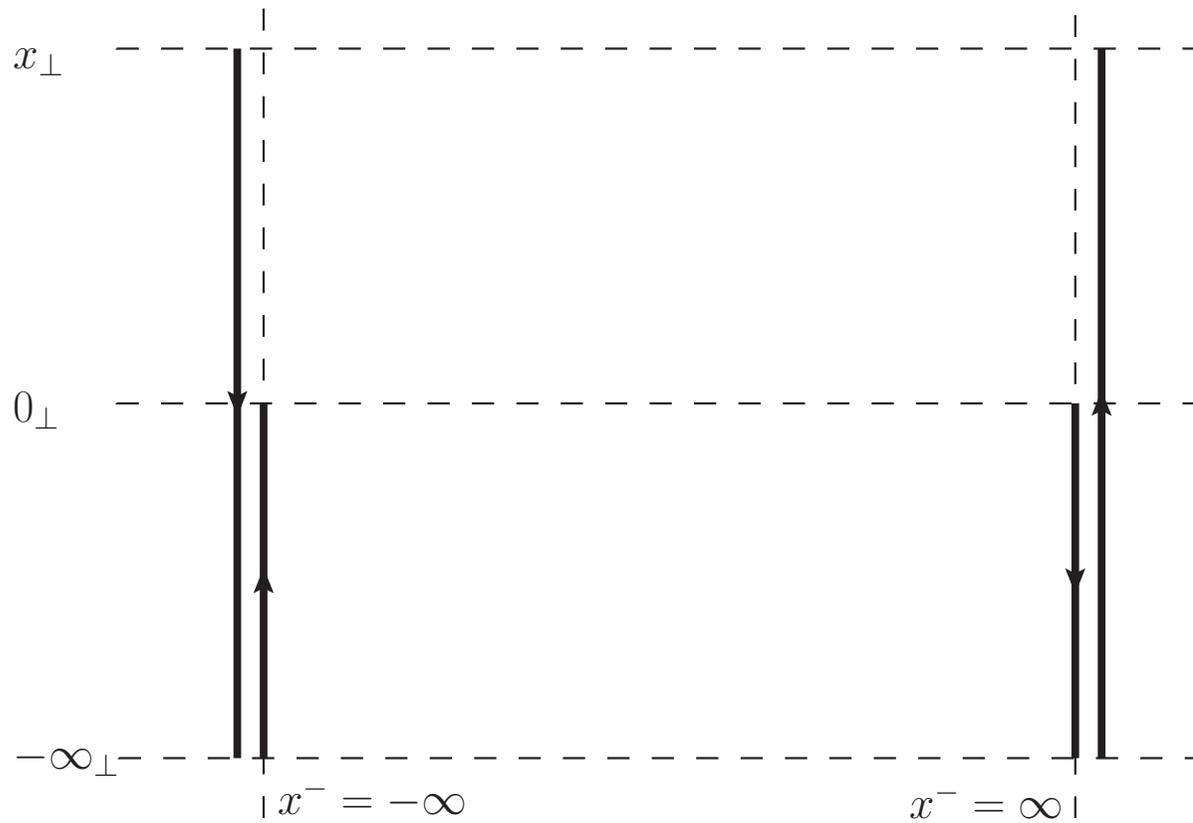
where  $T[0^+, \pm\infty^-, x_{\perp}] = \text{P exp} \left\{ -ig \int_{-L/\sqrt{2}}^0 ds l_{\perp} \cdot A_{\perp}(0^+, \pm\infty^-, x_{\perp} + sl_{\perp}) \right\}$

◦ Benzke Brambilla Escobedo Vairo JHEP 1302 (2013) 129

The relevance of the Wilson line  $T$  in light-cone gauge SCET has been discussed in

◦ Idilbi Scimemi PL B695 (2011) 463

# Jet broadening in light-cone gauge



## The gauge-invariant expression of $P(k_\perp)$

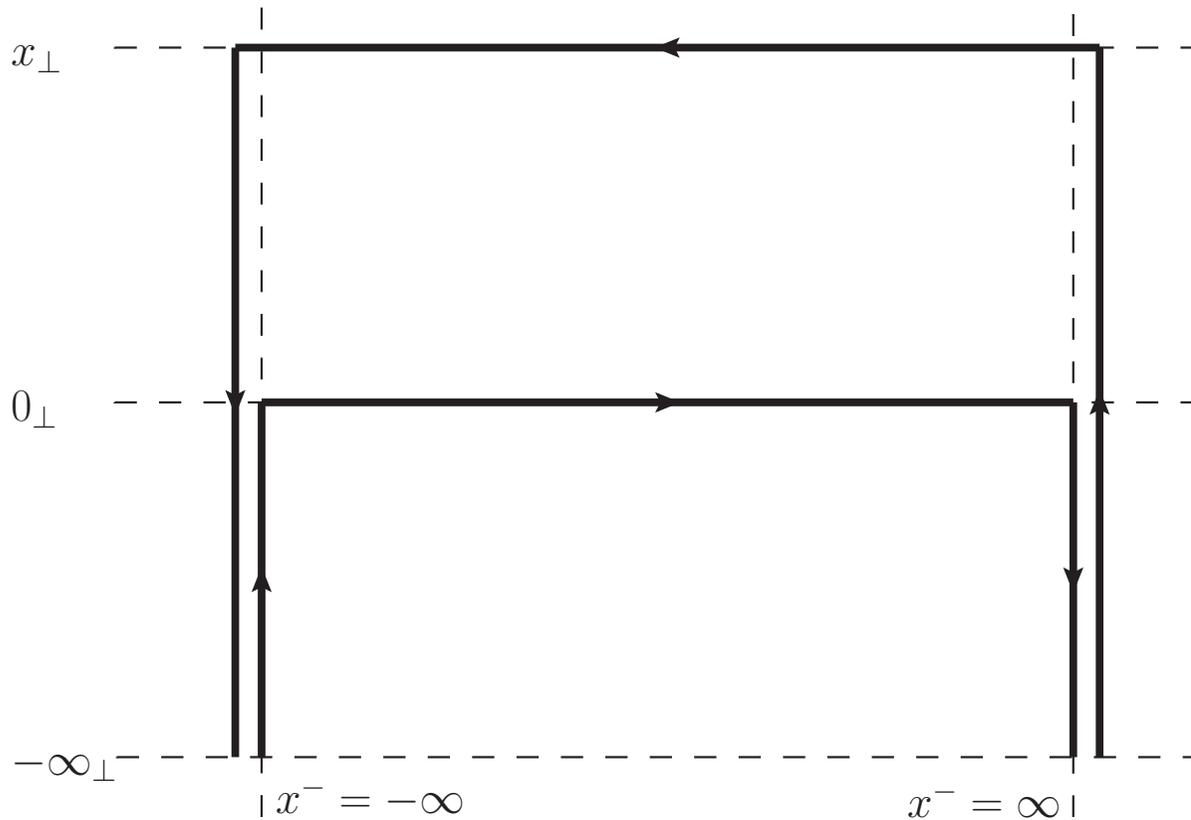
The gauge invariant expression of  $P(k_\perp)$  then reads

$$P(k_\perp) = \frac{1}{N_c} \int d^2 x_\perp e^{ik_\perp \cdot x_\perp} \left\langle \text{Tr} \left\{ T^\dagger[0^+, -\infty^-, x_\perp] W^\dagger[0^+, x_\perp] T[0^+, \infty^-, x_\perp] \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times T^\dagger[0^+, \infty^-, 0_\perp] W[0^+, 0_\perp] T[0^+, -\infty^-, 0_\perp] \right\} \right\rangle$$

The path ordering prescription implies that fields in the first line are anti-time ordered while fields in the second line are time ordered.

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## The gauge-invariant expression of $P(k_\perp)$

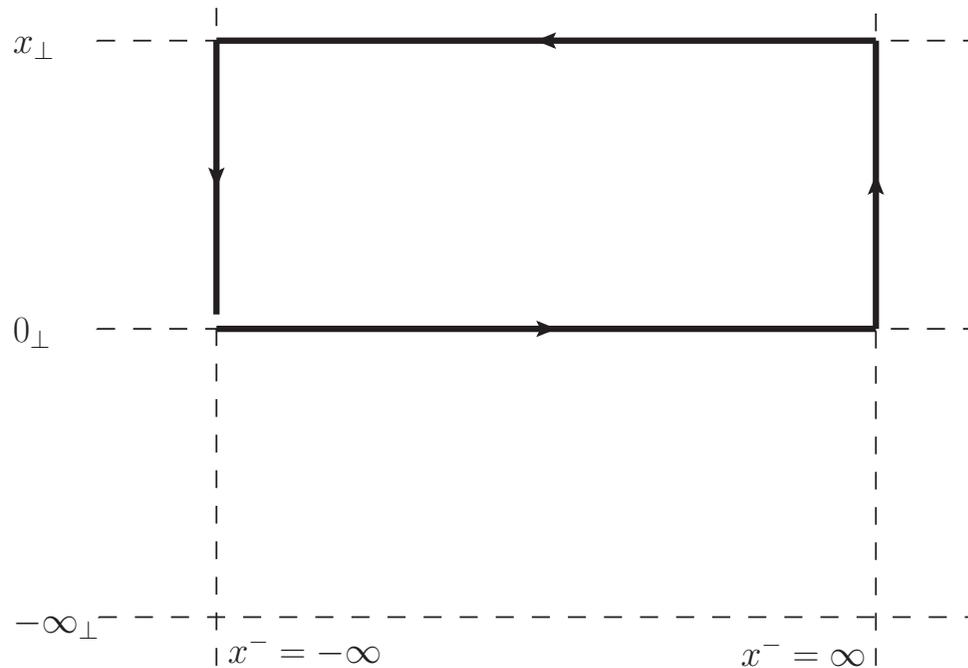


- Note that the Wilson lines at  $x^- = \infty$  are contiguous while those at  $x^- = -\infty$  are not. This is because the fields are not time ordered.

## The gauge-invariant expression of $P(k_{\perp})$

The expression of  $P(k_{\perp})$  may be simplified because:

- contiguous adjoint (unitary) lines cancel;
- fields separated by space-like intervals commute;
- the cyclicity of the trace.



- Note that the fields in  $(0^{+}, -\infty^{-}, 0_{\perp})$  are not contiguous.

## Gauge invariance

Under a gauge transformation  $\Omega$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Tr} \left\{ T^\dagger[0^+, -\infty^-, x_\perp] W^\dagger[0^+, x_\perp] \cdots T[0^+, -\infty^-, 0_\perp] \right\} \\ & \longrightarrow \text{Tr} \left\{ \Omega(0^+, -\infty^-, -\infty l_\perp) T^\dagger[0^+, -\infty^-, x_\perp] W^\dagger[0^+, x_\perp] \cdots \right. \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. \times T[0^+, -\infty^-, 0_\perp] \Omega^\dagger(0^+, -\infty^-, -\infty l_\perp) \right\} \\ & = \text{Tr} \left\{ T^\dagger[0^+, -\infty^-, x_\perp] W^\dagger[0^+, x_\perp] \cdots T[0^+, -\infty^-, 0_\perp] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

for the fields in  $\Omega(0^+, -\infty^-, -\infty l_\perp)$  commute with all the others (space-like separations) and the cyclicity of the trace.

# 3. DISCUSSION

## Jet quenching: recent literature

- One can express  $P(k_{\perp})$  as a two particle (time ordered) Wilson loop by modifying the partition function according to the **Keldysh–Schwinger contour** and by identifying the anti-time ordered fields with fields on the imaginary time line of the Keldysh–Schwinger contour.
  - D’Eramo Liu Rajagopal PR D84 (2011) 065015
- $\hat{q}$  may be written in terms of field correlators as

$$\hat{q} = \int^{k_{\max}} \frac{d^2 k_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \int d^2 x_{\perp} e^{i k_{\perp} \cdot x_{\perp}} \int dx^{-} \\ \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{N_c} \left\langle \text{Tr} \left\{ [0, x_{\perp}]_{-} U_{x_{\perp}}^{\dagger} [x^{-}, -\infty] g F_{\perp}^{+i}(0, x^{-}, x_{\perp}) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times U_{x_{\perp}}^{\dagger} [\infty, x^{-}] [x_{\perp}, 0]_{+} U_{0_{\perp}} [\infty, 0] g F_{\perp}^{+i}(0, 0, 0) U_{0_{\perp}} [0, -\infty] \right\} \right\rangle$$

where  $Q\lambda \lesssim k_{\max} \ll Q$  and  $U_{x_{\perp}} [x^{-}, y^{-}] = \text{P exp} \left[ ig \int_{y^{-}}^{x^{-}} dz^{-} A^{+}(0, z^{-}, x_{\perp}) \right]$ .

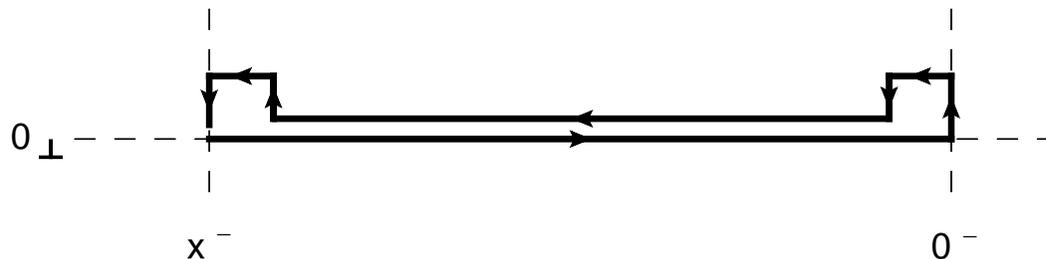
## Jet quenching: recent literature

- Similar (but not gauge invariant) expressions can be found in the literature.

E.g. [Majumder arXiv:1202.5295](#)

They seem to require  $k_{\max} \rightarrow \infty$ , which is only justified, under some circumstances, in dimensional regularization. In this case, the gauge invariant expression reads

$$\hat{q} = \int dx^- \frac{\sqrt{2}}{N_c} \left\langle \text{Tr} \left\{ U_{0\perp}[-\infty, x^-] gF_{\perp}^{+i}(0, x^-, 0) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times U_{0\perp}[x^-, 0] gF_{\perp}^{+i}(0, 0, 0) U_{0\perp}[0, -\infty] \right\} \right\rangle$$



## The contribution from the scale $g^2T$

The gauge invariant expression of  $\hat{q}$  allows for the use of lattice data.

**E.g.** Suppose a weakly coupled plasma characterized by the thermodynamical scales:

$$T \gg gT \gg g^2T \quad (\text{non-perturbative})$$

At relative order  $g^2$

- one can analytically continue from Minkowski to Euclidean space-time;
- time ordering is irrelevant;
- the partition function at the energy scale  $g^2T$  is described by an EFT (MQCD) that is three-dimensional SU(3) (with coupling  $g^2T$ ).

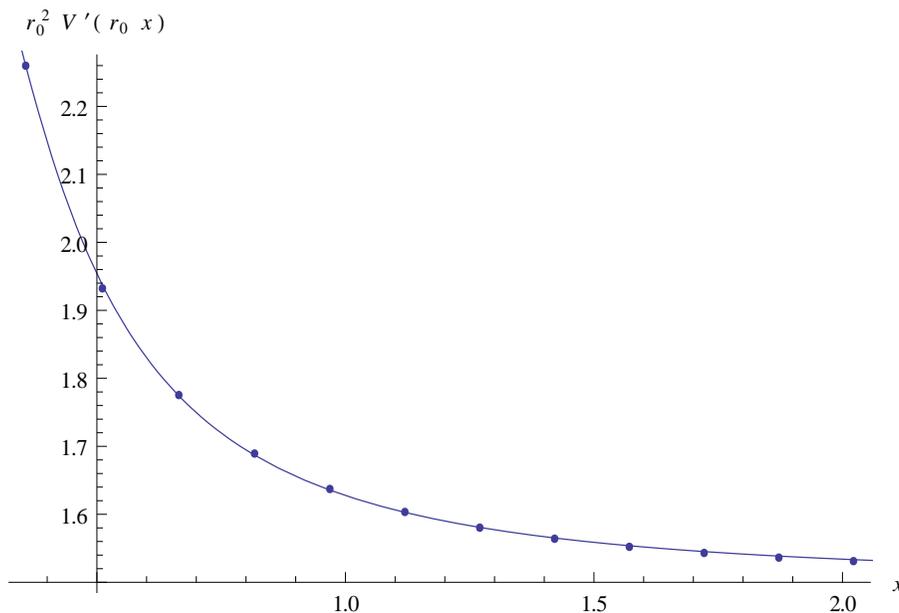
○ Caron-Huot PR D79 (2009) 065039

The contribution from the scale  $g^2T$  may be extracted from the behaviour of the Wilson loop,  $\sim e^{-LV}$ , in three-dimensional QCD.

○ Laine EPJ C72 (2012) 2233

## The contribution from the scale $g^2T$ at large distances

At large distances,  $r \gtrsim r_0 = 2.2/(g^2T)$ ,



$$V(r) = \frac{1}{r_0} \left( a \frac{r}{r_0} - b \frac{r_0}{r} + \dots \right)$$

$$a \approx 1.5, \quad b = \pi/24 \approx 0.13$$

$$\text{this implies } \delta \hat{q} = \frac{aq^*}{r_0^2} + \frac{b(q^*)^3}{3} + \dots$$

$$\text{where } k_{\max} \gg gT \gg 1/r_0 \gtrsim q^*$$

is the cut off in the  $k_{\perp}$  integration.

For  $\alpha_s \approx 0.5$  and  $T \approx 300$  MeV,  $\delta \hat{q} \approx 5$  GeV<sup>2</sup>/fm.

- Lüscher Weisz JHEP 0207 (2002) 049 (for the lattice data)
- see also Mykkanen JHEP 1212 (2012) 069 (for new lattice data)
- and Pineda Stahlhofen PR D81 (2010) 074026 (for PT)

## Conclusions and outlook

A systematic treatment of a complex phenomenon like **jet quenching** is possible in an **EFT framework** owing to the hierarchy of scales that characterize the system. These are the typical **SCET scales**,  $Q$ ,  $Q\lambda$ ,  $Q\lambda^2$ , with  $\lambda = T/Q$ , which characterize the propagation of a very energetic parton in the medium and the **thermal scales** that characterize the medium itself,  $T$ ,  $m_D$ , **magnetic mass**.

Many contributions still need to be computed both on the SCET side and on the thermal side of the theory. Work in progress includes:

- inclusion of collinear gluons;
  - D'Eramo Liu Rajagopal JP G38 (2011) 124162
- extended perturbative analysis of the thermal bath.
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