

From light-cone wave function to NLO JIMWLK

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High Energy Scattering

Target (ρ^t)

Projectile (ρ^p)

$$\langle \mathbf{T} | \quad \rightarrow \quad \leftarrow \quad | \mathbf{P} \rangle$$

S-matrix:

$$S(\mathbf{Y}) = \langle \mathbf{T} \langle \mathbf{P} | \hat{S}(\rho^t, \rho^p) | \mathbf{P} \rangle \mathbf{T} \rangle$$

or, more generally, any observable $\hat{O}(\rho^t, \rho^p)$

$$\langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\mathbf{Y}} = \langle \mathbf{T} \langle \mathbf{P} | \hat{O}(\rho^t, \rho^p) | \mathbf{P} \rangle \mathbf{T} \rangle$$

The question we pose is how these averages change with increase in energy of the process

Projectile averaged S-matrix:

$$\Sigma(\mathbf{Y}) \equiv \langle \mathbf{P} | \hat{\mathbf{S}}(\rho^t, \rho^p) | \mathbf{P} \rangle = \int \mathbf{D}\rho^p \mathbf{S}(\rho^t, \rho^p) \mathbf{W}_Y^p[\rho^p]$$

evolve with rapidity as

$\mathbf{H} \rightarrow$ the HE effective Hamiltonian

$$\Sigma(\mathbf{Y} + \delta\mathbf{Y}) = \int \mathbf{D}\rho^p e^{-\delta\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{H}} \mathbf{S}(\rho^t, \rho^p) \mathbf{W}_Y^p[\rho^p]$$

Spectrum of $\mathbf{H}$ defines energy dependence of the observables.

$$e^{-\delta\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{H}} \simeq 1 - \delta\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{H} + \frac{1}{2} \delta\mathbf{Y}^2 \mathbf{H}^2 \dots$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}^{\text{LO}}(\alpha_s) + \mathbf{H}^{\text{NLO}}(\alpha_s^2) + \dots;$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}[\rho^t, \delta/\delta\rho^t]$$

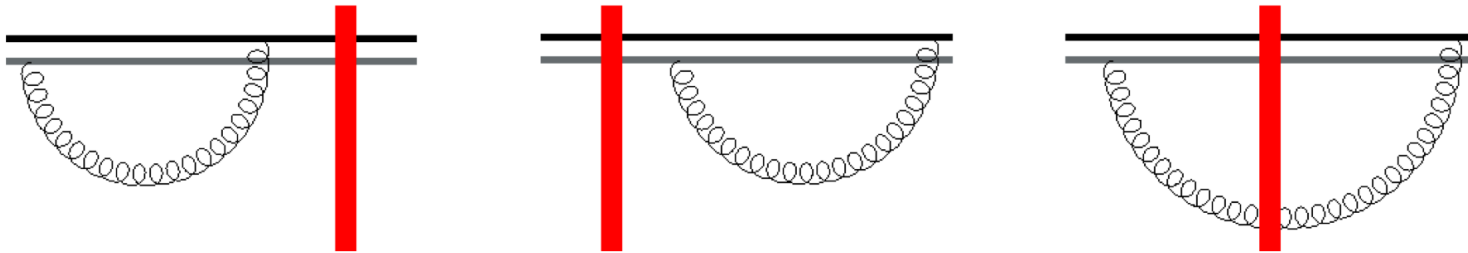
Charge densities ρ are important parameters (define dilute or dense limits)

LO JIMWLK Hamiltonian

Jalilian Marian, Iancu, McLerran, Weigert, Leonidov, Kovner (1997-2002)

The JIMWLK Hamiltonian is a limit of $\mathbf{H}$ for dilute partonic system ($\rho^P \rightarrow 0$) which scatters on a dense target. It accounts for linear gluon emission + multiple rescatterings.

$$H_{LO}^{JIMWLK} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi^2} \int_{x,y,z} \frac{(x-z)_i (y-z)_i}{(x-z)^2 (y-z)^2} \left\{ J_L^a(x) J_L^a(y) + J_R^a(x) J_R^a(y) - 2J_L^a(x) S_A^{ab}(z) J_R^b(y) \right\}$$



Here $\rho^P \rightarrow J_L$ and $\hat{S}\rho^P \rightarrow J_R$ are left and right $SU(N)$ generators:

$$J_L^a(x) S_A^{ij}(z) = (T^a S_A(z))^{ij} \delta^2(x-z)$$

$$J_R^a(x) S_A^{ij}(z) = (S_A(z) T^a)^{ij} \delta^2(x-z)$$

- H^{JIMWLK} contains all the LO BFKL / BKP / TPV physics

JIMWLK Hamiltonian @ NLO

Alex Kovner, ML and Yair Mulian (2013)

$$\begin{aligned}
 H^{NLO \text{ JIMWLK}} = & \int_{x,y,z} K_{JSJ}(x, y; z) \left[J_L^a(x) J_L^a(y) + J_R^a(x) J_R^a(y) - 2 J_L^a(x) S_A^{ab}(z) J_R^b(y) \right] \\
 & + \int_{x,y,z,z'} K_{JSSJ}(x, y; z, z') \left[f^{abc} f^{def} J_L^a(x) S_A^{be}(z) S_A^{cf}(z') J_R^d(y) - N_c J_L^a(x) S_A^{ab}(z) J_R^b(y) \right] \\
 & + \int_{x,y,z,z'} K_{q\bar{q}}(x, y; z, z') \left[2 J_L^a(x) \text{tr}[S_F^\dagger(z) t^a S_F(z') t^b] J_R^b(y) - J_L^a(x) S_A^{ab}(z) J_R^b(y) \right] \\
 & + \int_{w,x,y,z,z'} K_{JJSSJ}(w; x, y; z, z') f^{acb} \left[J_L^d(x) J_L^e(y) S_A^{dc}(z) S_A^{eb}(z') J_R^a(w) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - J_L^a(w) S_A^{cd}(z) S_A^{be}(z') J_R^d(x) J_R^e(y) \right] \\
 & + \int_{w,x,y,z} K_{JJJSJ}(w; x, y; z) f^{bde} \left[J_L^d(x) J_L^e(y) S_A^{ba}(z) J_R^a(w) - J_L^a(w) S_A^{ab}(z) J_R^d(x) J_R^e(y) \right] \\
 & + \int_{w,x,y} K_{JJJ}(w; x, y) f^{deb} \left[J_L^d(x) J_L^e(y) J_L^b(w) - J_R^d(x) J_R^e(y) J_R^b(w) \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Symmetries: $\text{SU}_L(\text{N}) \times \text{SU}_R(\text{N})$ **CPT, Unitarity**

Shortcuts to the Kernels

Step 1: Compute evolution of 3-quark Wilson loop operator in SU(3) (baryon)

$$B(u, v, w) = \epsilon^{ijk} \epsilon^{lmn} S_F^{il}(u) S_F^{jm}(v) S_F^{kn}(w)$$

$$\partial_Y B(u, v, w) = -H^{\text{NLO JIMWLK}} B(u, v, w)$$

and compare with Grabovsky (hep-ph/1307.5414) $\rightarrow K_{JJSSJ}, K_{JJSJ}$

Step 2: Compute evolution of quark dipole operator

$$s(u, v) = \text{tr}[S_F(u) S_F^\dagger(v)] / N_c$$

$$\partial_Y s(u, v) = -H^{\text{NLO JIMWLK}} s(u, v)$$

and compare with Balitsky and Chirilli (hep-ph/0710.4330) $\rightarrow K_{JJSSJ}, K_{JSJ}, K_{qq}$

NLO Kernels (for gauge invariant operators)

$$K_{JJSSJ}(w; x, y; z, z') = -i \frac{\alpha_s^2}{2 \pi^4} \left(\frac{X_i Y'_j}{X^2 Y'^2} \right) \\ \times \left(\frac{\delta_{ij}}{2(z-z')^2} + \frac{(z'-z)_i W'_j}{(z'-z)^2 W'^2} + \frac{(z-z')_j W_i}{(z-z')^2 W^2} - \frac{W_i W'_j}{W^2 W'^2} \right) \ln \frac{W^2}{W'^2}$$

$$K_{JJ SJ}(w; x, y; z) = -i \frac{\alpha_s^2}{4 \pi^3} \left[\frac{X \cdot W}{X^2 W^2} - \frac{Y \cdot W}{Y^2 W^2} \right] \ln \frac{Y^2}{(x-y)^2} \ln \frac{X^2}{(x-y)^2},$$

$$K_{q\bar{q}}(x, y; z, z') = -\frac{\alpha_s^2 n_f}{8 \pi^4} \left\{ \frac{X'^2 Y^2 + Y'^2 X^2 - (x-y)^2 (z-z')^2}{(z-z')^4 (X^2 Y'^2 - X'^2 Y^2)} \ln \frac{X^2 Y'^2}{X'^2 Y^2} - \frac{2}{(z-z')^4} \right\}$$

$$X = x - z, \quad X' = x - z', \quad Y = y - z, \quad Y' = y - z', \quad W = w - z$$

$$K_{JSSJ}(x, y; z, z') = \frac{\alpha_s^2}{16 \pi^4} \left[-\frac{4}{(z - z')^4} + \left\{ 2 \frac{X^2 Y'^2 + X'^2 Y^2 - 4(x - y)^2 (z - z')^2}{(z - z')^4 [X^2 Y'^2 - X'^2 Y^2]} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + \frac{(x - y)^4}{X^2 Y'^2 - X'^2 Y^2} \left[\frac{1}{X^2 Y'^2} + \frac{1}{Y^2 X'^2} \right] + \frac{(x - y)^2}{(z - z')^2} \left[\frac{1}{X^2 Y'^2} - \frac{1}{X'^2 Y^2} \right] \right\} \ln \frac{X^2 Y'^2}{X'^2 Y^2} \right] + \tilde{K}(x, y, z, z').$$

$$K_{JSJ}(x, y; z) = -\frac{\alpha_s^2}{16 \pi^3} \frac{(x - y)^2}{X^2 Y^2} \left[b \ln(x - y)^2 \mu^2 - b \frac{X^2 - Y^2}{(x - y)^2} \ln \frac{X^2}{Y^2} + \left(\frac{67}{9} - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right) N_c - \frac{10}{9} n_f \right] \\ - \frac{N_c}{2} \int_{z'} \tilde{K}(x, y, z, z').$$

Here μ is the normalization point, $b = \frac{11}{3}N_c - \frac{2}{3}n_f$

$$\tilde{K}(x, y, z, z') = \frac{i}{2} \left[K_{JJSSJ}(x; x, y; z, z') - K_{JJSSJ}(y; x, y; z, z') - K_{JJSSJ}(x; y, x; z, z') \right. \\ \left. + K_{JJSSJ}(y; y, x; z, z') \right]$$

The kernels are not unique though...

NLO Kernels for color non-singlets

"By inspection" of Balitsky and Chirilli (arXiv:1309.7644 [hep-ph])

$$K_{JSJ}(x, y, z) \rightarrow \bar{K}_{JSJ}(x, y, z) \equiv K_{JSJ}(x, y, z) + \frac{\alpha_s^2}{16\pi^3} \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{X^2} + \frac{1}{Y^2} \right] \left[\left(\frac{67}{9} - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right) N_c - \frac{10}{9} n_f \right] + \frac{b}{X^2} \ln X^2 \mu^2 + \frac{b}{Y^2} \ln Y^2 \mu^2 \right\};$$

$$K_{JSSJ}(x, y; z, z') \rightarrow \bar{K}_{JSSJ}(x, y; z, z') + \frac{\alpha_s^2}{8\pi^4} \left[\frac{4}{(z - z')^4} - \frac{I(x, z, z')}{(z - z')^2} - \frac{I(y, z, z')}{(z - z')^2} \right];$$

$$K_{q\bar{q}}(x, y; z, z') \rightarrow \bar{K}_{q\bar{q}}(x, y; z, z') \equiv K_{q\bar{q}}(x, y; z, z') - \frac{\alpha_s^2 n_f}{8\pi^4} \left[\frac{I_f(x, z, z')}{(z - z')^2} + \frac{I_f(y, z, z')}{(z - z')^2} \right],$$

$$I(x, z, z') = \frac{1}{X^2 - (X')^2} \ln \frac{X^2}{(X')^2} \left[\frac{X^2 + (X')^2}{(z - z')^2} - \frac{X \cdot X'}{X^2} - \frac{X \cdot X'}{(X')^2} - 2 \right];$$

$$I_f(x, z, z') = \frac{2}{(z - z')^2} - \frac{2X \cdot X'}{(z - z')^2 (X^2 - (X')^2)} \ln \frac{X^2}{(X')^2}.$$

Comparing with Balitsky and Chirilli (arXiv:1309.7644 [hep-ph])

Compute evolution of Wilson lines with open color indices:

$$\partial_Y [S^{ab}(\mathbf{x})] = -\mathbf{H}^{\text{NLO JIMWLK}} [S^{ab}(\mathbf{x})]$$

$$\partial_Y [S^{ab}(\mathbf{x})S^{cd}(\mathbf{y})] = -\mathbf{H}^{\text{NLO JIMWLK}} [S^{ab}(\mathbf{x})S^{cd}(\mathbf{y})]$$

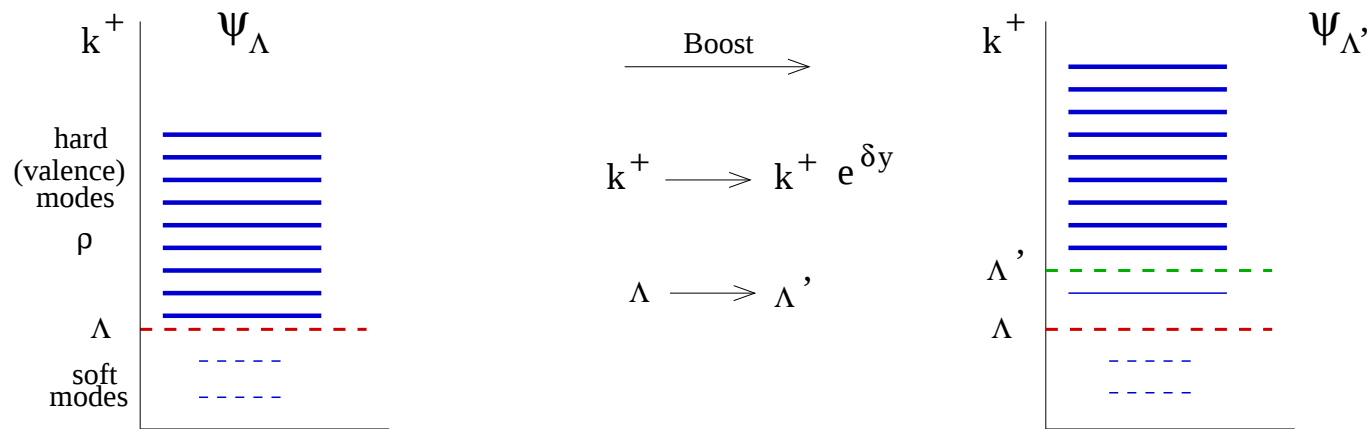
$$\partial_Y [S^{ab}(\mathbf{x})S^{cd}(\mathbf{y})S^{ef}(\mathbf{z})] = -\mathbf{H}^{\text{NLO JIMWLK}} [S^{ab}(\mathbf{x})S^{cd}(\mathbf{y})S^{ef}(\mathbf{z})]$$

100% agreement!

Light Cone Wave Function

$$H_{\text{LC QCD}} |\Psi\rangle = E |\Psi\rangle$$

Born-Oppenheimer adiabatic approximation



Hard particles with $k^+ > \Lambda$ scatter off the target. Hard (valence) modes are described by the valence density $\rho(x_\perp)$ (shock wave).

The boost opens a window above Λ with the width $\sim \delta y$. The window is populated by soft modes, which become hard after the boost. These newly created hard modes do scatter off the target.

In the dilute limit $\rho \sim 1$; gluon emission $\sim \alpha_s \rho$, LO = one gluon, NLO = 2 gluons/quarks

Denote soft glue (quark) creation and annihilation operators as $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{a}^\dagger$.

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{LC QCD}} = \mathbf{H}[\rho, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}^\dagger] = \mathbf{H}_V[\rho] + \mathbf{H}_{\text{free}}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}^\dagger] + \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}[\rho, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}^\dagger]$$

LCWF with no soft gluons

$$\mathbf{H}_V |\mathbf{v}, 0_{\mathbf{a}}\rangle = \mathbf{E}_0 |\mathbf{v}, 0_{\mathbf{a}}\rangle; \quad \mathbf{a} |\mathbf{v}, 0_{\mathbf{a}}\rangle = 0; \quad \mathbf{E}_0 = 0$$

LCWF with soft gluon/quark dressing

$$|\Psi\rangle = \Omega(\rho, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}^\dagger) |\mathbf{v}, 0_{\mathbf{a}}\rangle; \quad \Omega^\dagger \mathbf{H}_{\text{LC QCD}} \Omega = \mathbf{H}_{\text{diagonal}}$$

Find Ω in perturbation theory

- Dilute limit ($\rho \rightarrow 0$) – usual perturbation theory in H_{int}
- Dense limit ($\rho \sim 1/\alpha_s$) – all order resummation in a strong background field

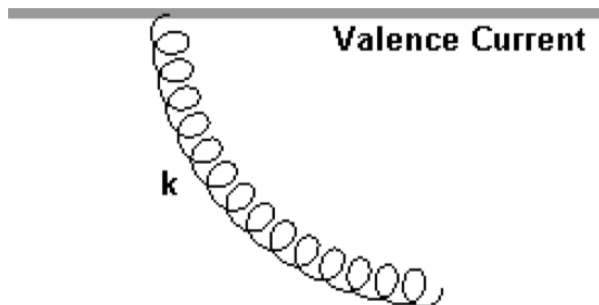
LCWF at LO

First order (g) perturbation theory

$$|\Psi_{\text{LO}}\rangle = \mathcal{N} |0_a\rangle - \sum_i |i\rangle \frac{\langle i | \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} | 0_a \rangle}{E_i} \quad \langle \Psi_{\text{LO}} | \Psi_{\text{LO}} \rangle = 1 \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$$

Eikonal coupling between valence and soft gluons due to separation of scales

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} = - \int \frac{dk^+}{2\pi} \frac{d^2k_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{g k_i}{\sqrt{2} |k^+|^{3/2}} \left[\mathbf{a}_i^{\dagger a}(k^+, k_{\perp}) \rho^a(-k_{\perp}) + \mathbf{a}_i^a(k^+, -k_{\perp}) \rho^a(k_{\perp}) \right]$$



A cloud of WW gluons dressing the valence ones

ρ are operators on the valence Hilbert space

SU(N) algebra: $[\rho^a, \rho^b] = if^{abc} \rho^c$

$$\Omega_Y(\rho \rightarrow 0) \equiv C_Y = \text{Exp} \left\{ i \int d^2z b_i^a(z) \int_{e^{Y_0} \Lambda}^{e^Y \Lambda} \frac{d\mathbf{k}^+}{\pi^{1/2} |\mathbf{k}^+|^{1/2}} \left[a_i^a(\mathbf{k}^+, z) + a_i^{\dagger a}(\mathbf{k}^+, z) \right] \right\}$$

The classical Weizsaker-Williams field

$$b_i^a(z) = \frac{g}{2\pi} \int d^2x \frac{(z-x)_i}{(z-x)^2} \rho^a(x)$$

The operator C dresses the valence charges by a cloud of the WW gluons

The LCWF is a starting point for numerous semi-inclusive calculations, such as single/double inclusive particle production.

$$\Sigma^{\text{LO}} = \langle \Psi_{\text{LO}} | \hat{S} | \Psi_{\text{LO}} \rangle = \langle \rho, 0_a | C^\dagger \hat{S} C | \rho, 0_a \rangle \rightarrow \text{LO JIMWLK}$$

LCWF at NLO

ML and Yair Mulian, arXiv:1610.03453

- g^3 + normalisation at g^4

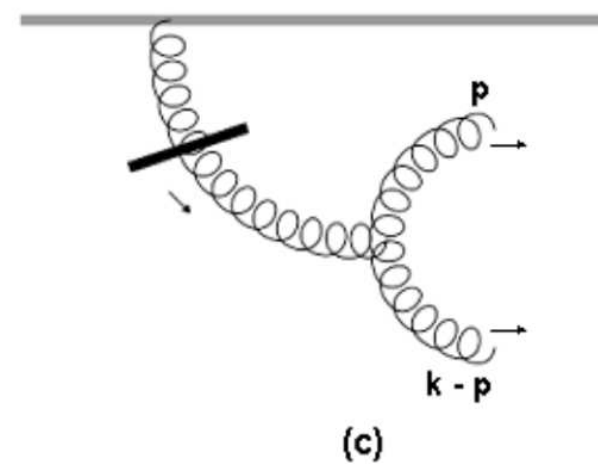
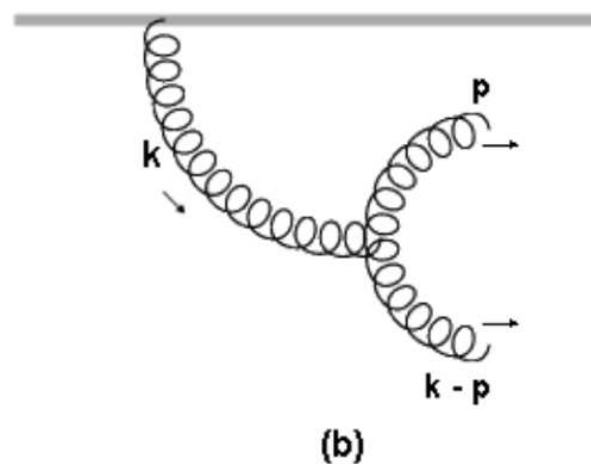
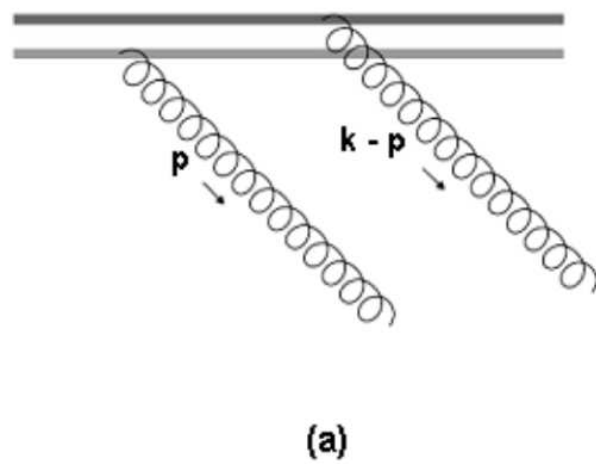
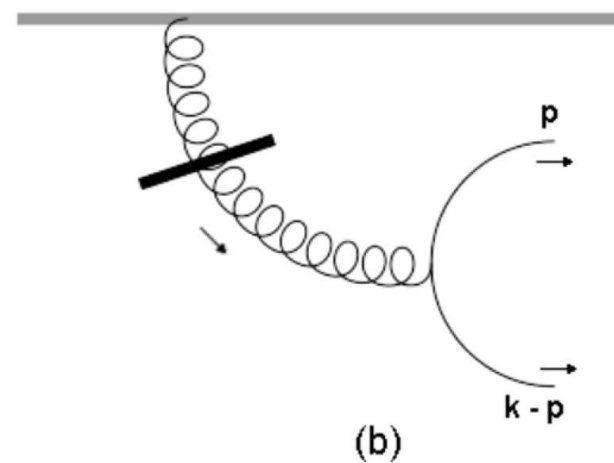
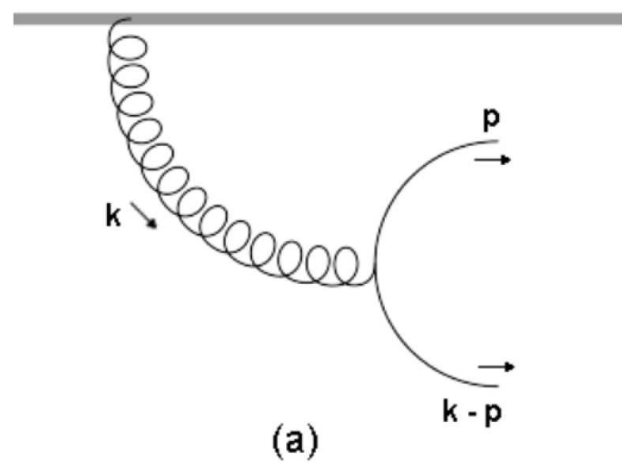
$$|\Psi_{\text{NLO}}\rangle = \mathcal{N} |0\rangle + \sum_i |i\rangle \left[-\frac{\langle i | \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} | 0 \rangle}{E_i} + \frac{\langle i | \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} | j \rangle \langle j | \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} | 0 \rangle}{E_i E_j} + \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\langle i | \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} | 0 \rangle \langle j | \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} | 0 \rangle^2 (2 E_j - E_i)}{2 E_i^2 E_j^2} - \frac{\langle i | \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} | j \rangle \langle j | \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} | k \rangle \langle k | \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} | 0 \rangle}{E_i E_j E_k} \right]$$

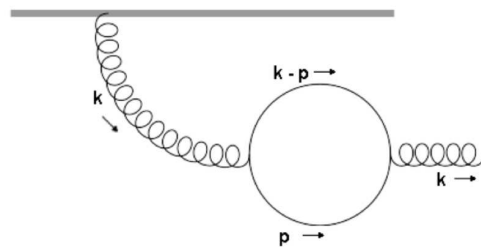
i runs over one gluon, two gluons, and two quarks

Operator valued matrix elements

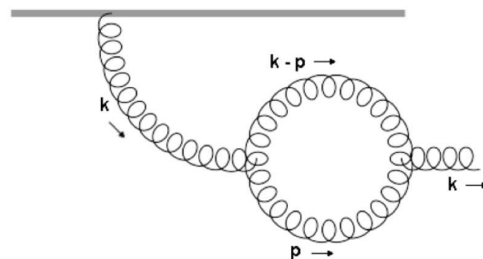
Accounts for first non-linear/saturation effects in the projectile

$$\langle \Psi_{\text{NLO}} | \Psi_{\text{NLO}} \rangle = 1 \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}| ; \quad \mathcal{N} = |\mathcal{N}| e^{i\phi}$$

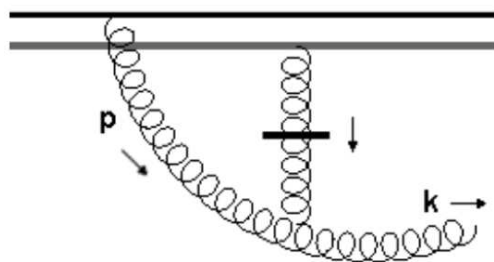




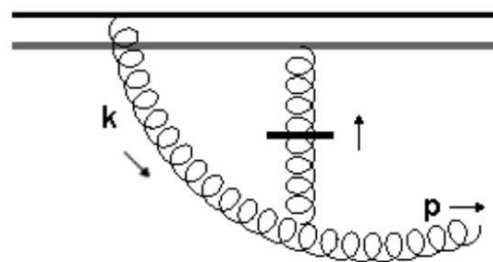
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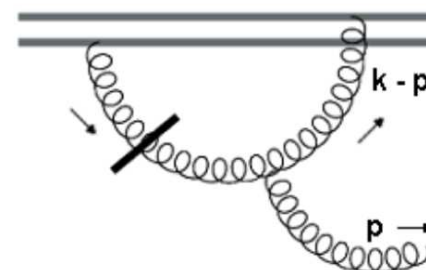
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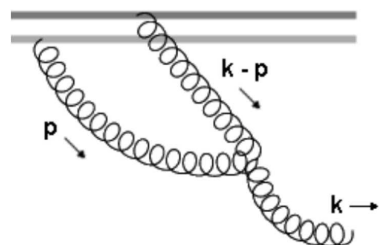
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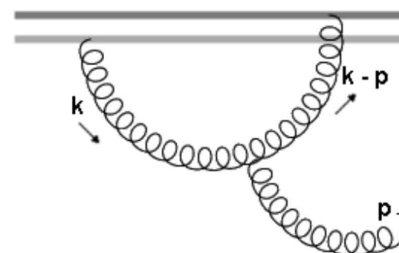
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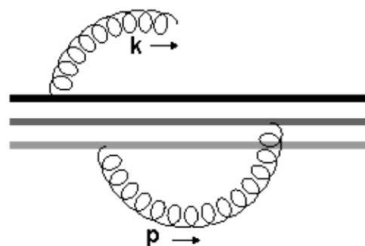
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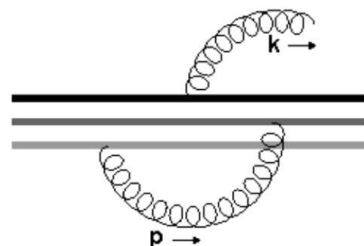
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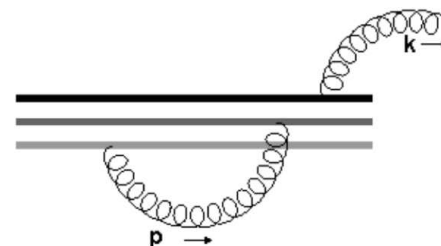
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(a)



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(c)

Phase of the LCWF @ NLO

$$\mathcal{N} = |\mathcal{N}| e^{i\phi}$$

Beyond perturbation theory: Born-Oppenheimer adiabatic approximation

$$\langle \mathbf{v} | \otimes \langle \psi | \mathbf{H}_V | \psi \rangle \otimes | \mathbf{v} \rangle \simeq \langle \mathbf{v} | \mathbf{H}_V | \mathbf{v} \rangle \quad \text{or} \quad \langle \psi | \mathbf{H}_V | \psi \rangle_{\text{soft}} \simeq 0$$

the dynamics of the soft modes does not significantly affect that of the valence.

Berry connection

$$\langle \psi | \frac{\delta}{\delta \rho^d(\mathbf{w})} | \psi \rangle = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \phi$$

JIMWLK Hamiltonian @ NLO (again)

$$\Sigma = \left\langle \psi^{\text{NLO}} \left| \hat{\mathbf{S}} \right| \psi^{\text{NLO}} \right\rangle = \langle \rho, \mathbf{0}_a | \mathbf{\Omega}^\dagger \hat{\mathbf{S}} \mathbf{\Omega} | \rho, \mathbf{0}_a \rangle$$

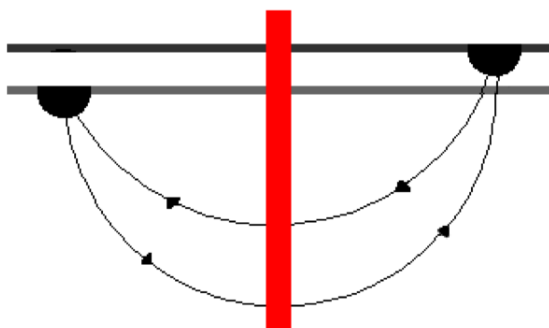
$$= \Sigma^{LO} + \Sigma_{q\bar{q}} + \Sigma_{JJSSJ} + \Sigma_{JSSJ} + \Sigma_{JJSJ} + \Sigma_{JSJ} + \Sigma_{JJSSJJ} + \Sigma_{JJJSJ} + \Sigma_{virtual}.$$

$$\Sigma_{\dots} = \Sigma_{\dots}^{\text{NLO}}(\delta\mathbf{Y}) + \Sigma_{\dots}^{(\delta\mathbf{Y})^2}$$

$$\Sigma_{\dots}^{(\delta\mathbf{Y})^2} = \frac{1}{2} (\delta\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{H}_{\text{JIMWLK}}^{\text{LO}})^2$$

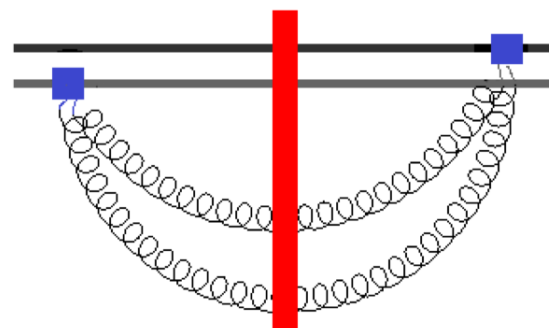
$$\Sigma^{\text{NLO}}(\delta\mathbf{Y}) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^{\text{NLO JIMWLK}}$$

$$\Sigma_{qq}$$



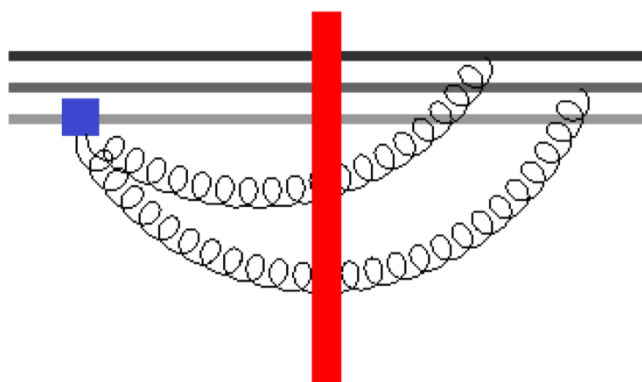
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$$\Sigma_{JSSJ}$$

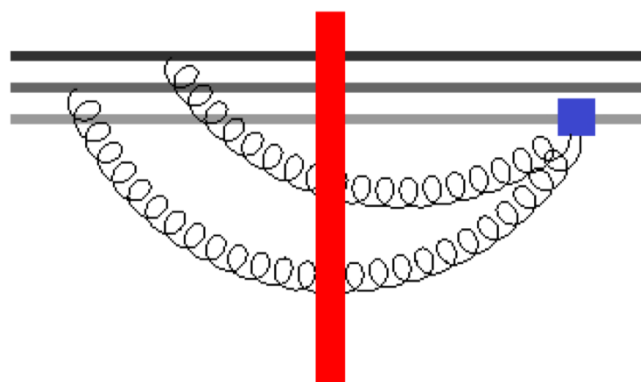


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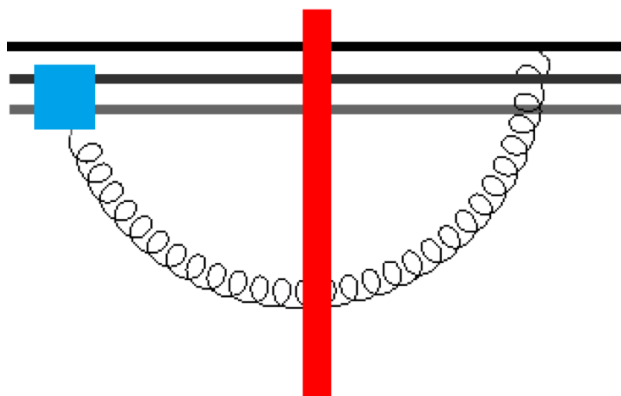
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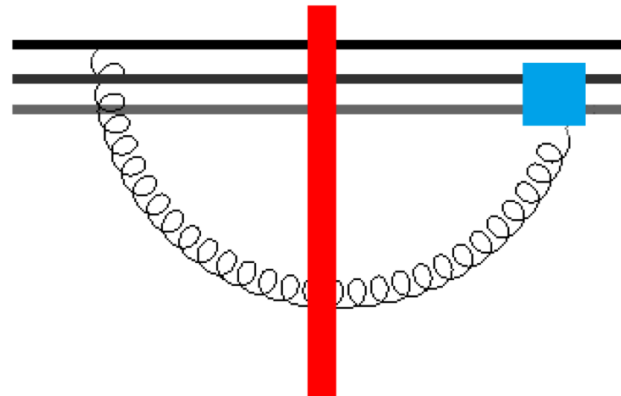
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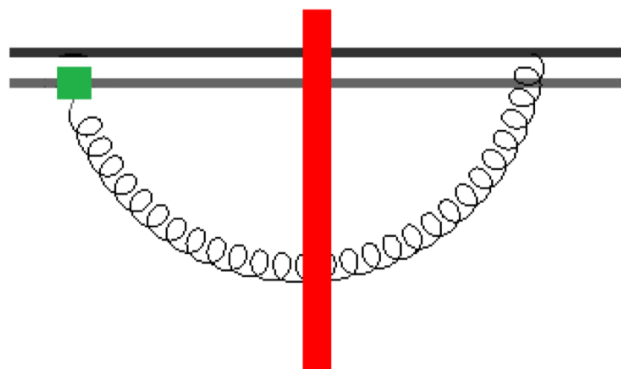
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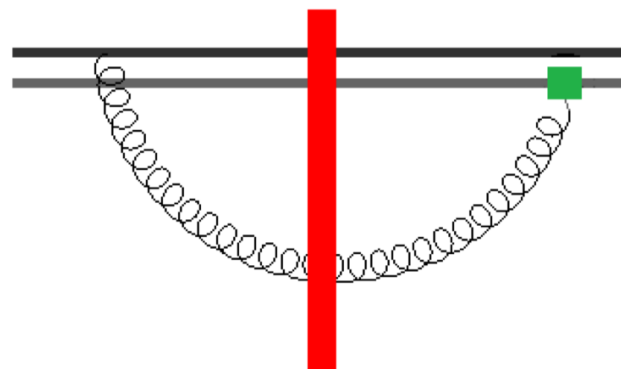
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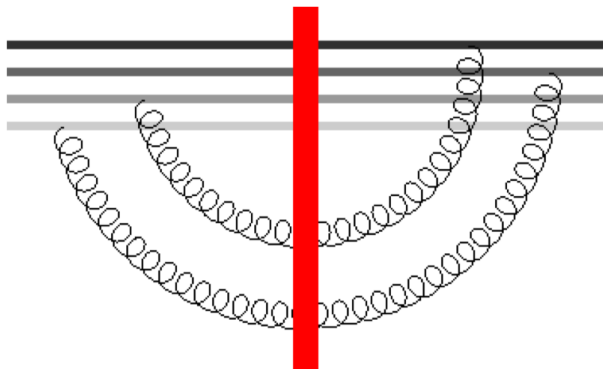
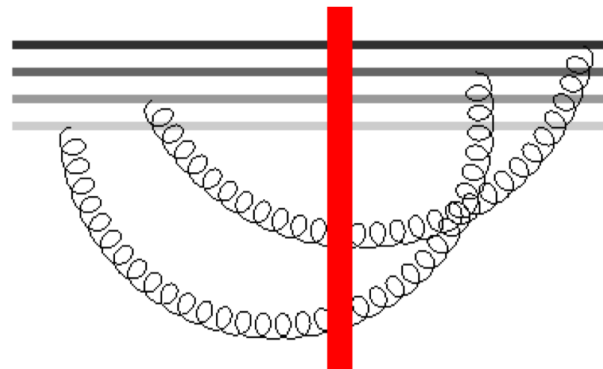
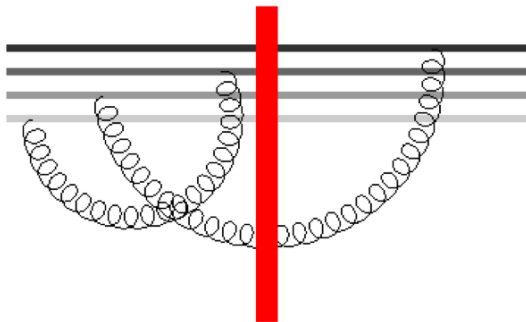
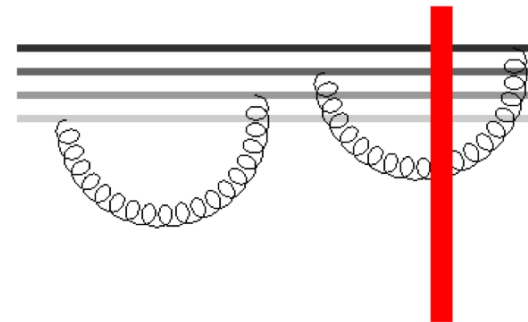
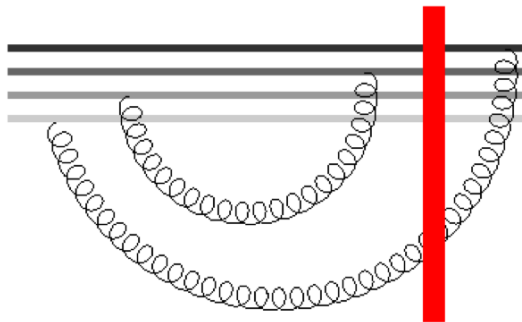


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And also Σ_{virtual} ; $\phi \rightarrow JJJ$

Is the JIMWLK Hamiltonian Conformally invariant?

Alex Kovner, ML and Yair Mulian (2014)

Scale invariance is trivial. Lets focus on inversion. Introduce $\mathbf{x}_{\pm} = \mathbf{x}_1 \pm i \mathbf{x}_2$

Inversion transformation : $x_+ \rightarrow 1/x_- ; \quad x_- \rightarrow 1/x_+$

A “naive” representation $\mathcal{I}_0$ of the inversion transformation is

$$\mathcal{I}_0 : \quad S(\mathbf{x}_+, \mathbf{x}_-) \rightarrow S(1/\mathbf{x}_-, 1/\mathbf{x}_+) , \quad \mathbf{J}_{L,R}(\mathbf{x}_+, \mathbf{x}_-) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\mathbf{x}_+ \mathbf{x}_-} \mathbf{J}_{L,R}(1/\mathbf{x}_-, 1/\mathbf{x}_+) .$$

Conformal invariance (in the gauge invariant sector) @LO:

$$\mathcal{I}_0 H^{\text{LO JIMWLK}} \mathcal{I}_0 = H^{\text{LO JIMWLK}}$$

No (naive) Conformal invariance @NLO:

$$\mathcal{I}_0 H^{\text{NLO JIMWLK}} \mathcal{I}_0 = H^{\text{NLO JIMWLK}} + \mathcal{A}$$

QCD is not conformally invariant beyond tree level, but $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY is.

JIMWLK Hamiltonian IS conformally invariant! (in $\mathcal{N} = 4$)

S forms a non-trivial representation of the conformal group:

$$\mathcal{I} : S(x) \rightarrow S(1/x) + \delta S(x), \quad \mathcal{I} : H^{LO} \rightarrow H^{LO} - \mathcal{A}$$

Here δS is of order α_s . The condition is that the net anomaly cancels:

$$\mathcal{I} (H^{LO} + H^{NLO}) \mathcal{I} = H^{LO} + H^{NLO}$$

We have constructed $\mathcal{I}$ perturbatively:

$$\mathcal{I} = (1 + \mathcal{C}) \mathcal{I}_0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C} = & -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi^2} \int_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}} \ln \left[\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2 \mathbf{a}^2}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z})^2 (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z})^2} \right] \times \\ & \times \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z})^2 (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z})^2} \left\{ \mathbf{J}_L^a(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{J}_L^a(\mathbf{y}) + \mathbf{J}_R^a(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{J}_R^a(\mathbf{y}) - 2 \mathbf{J}_L^a(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{S}_A^{ab}(\mathbf{z}) \mathbf{J}_R^b(\mathbf{y}) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

For an arbitrary operator $\mathcal{O} (s, B, H^{JIMWLK}, \dots)$ we define its conformal extension:

$$\mathcal{O}^{conf} = \mathcal{O} + \frac{1}{2} [\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{O}]; \quad [s^{conf} \text{ by Balitsky and Chirilli (arXiv : 0903.5326)}]$$

CONCLUSIONS

- We have computed the LCWF@NLO. Apart of leading to JIMWLK equation, it can be used to compute semi-inclusive observables @NLO.
- We have first constructed and then independently derived the JIMWLK Hamiltonian at NLO. It fully reproduces and generalises (all?) previously known low x evolution equations at NLO, including Balitsky's hierarchy at NLO
- We have proven the conformal invariance of the NLO JIMWLK Hamiltonian (in $\mathcal{N} = 4$). For any operator, we can construct its perturbative extension, such that the resulting operator evolves with conformal kernels.
- Once expanded in the dilute limit, the NLO JIMWLK makes it possible to study evolution of any multi-gluon BKP state and transition vertices at NLO.

QCD

QCD Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi} (i \not{\partial} - g \not{A} - m) \psi$$

The field strength

$$G_a^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu A_a^\nu - \partial^\nu A_a^\mu - g f^{abc} A_b^\mu A_c^\nu$$

Equations of motion:

Maxwell equation:

$$\partial_\mu G^{\mu\nu} = g J^\nu; \quad J_a^\nu = \bar{\psi} \gamma^\nu \tau^a \psi - f^{abc} G_b^{\nu\mu} A_c^\mu$$

Dirac equation

$$(i \gamma^\mu D_\mu - m) \psi = 0$$

Light Cone

LC time $x^+ = (t + z)/\sqrt{2}$

$$x^- = (t - z)/\sqrt{2}$$

LC gauge

$$A^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (A^0 + A^3) = 0$$

The Gauss law constraint

$$\partial_\mu G^{\mu+} = g J^+$$

is solved for the A^- field

$$-(\partial^+)^2 A_a^- + \partial^+ \partial_i A_a^i = g J_a^+$$

$$A_a^- = -\frac{\partial^i}{\partial^+} A_a^i + \frac{g}{(\partial^+)^2} J_a^+$$

Same story with quarks

Light Cone Hamiltonian

Canonical variables: $A^i, \quad \Pi^i = \frac{\delta L}{\delta(\partial^- A^i)} = G^{+i} = \partial^+ A^i$

Light Cone Hamiltonian:

$$H^{LC} = \int dx^- d^2 x_{\perp} \left[\Pi^i \partial^- A^i - L \right] = H_E + H_M$$

The electric and magnetic parts

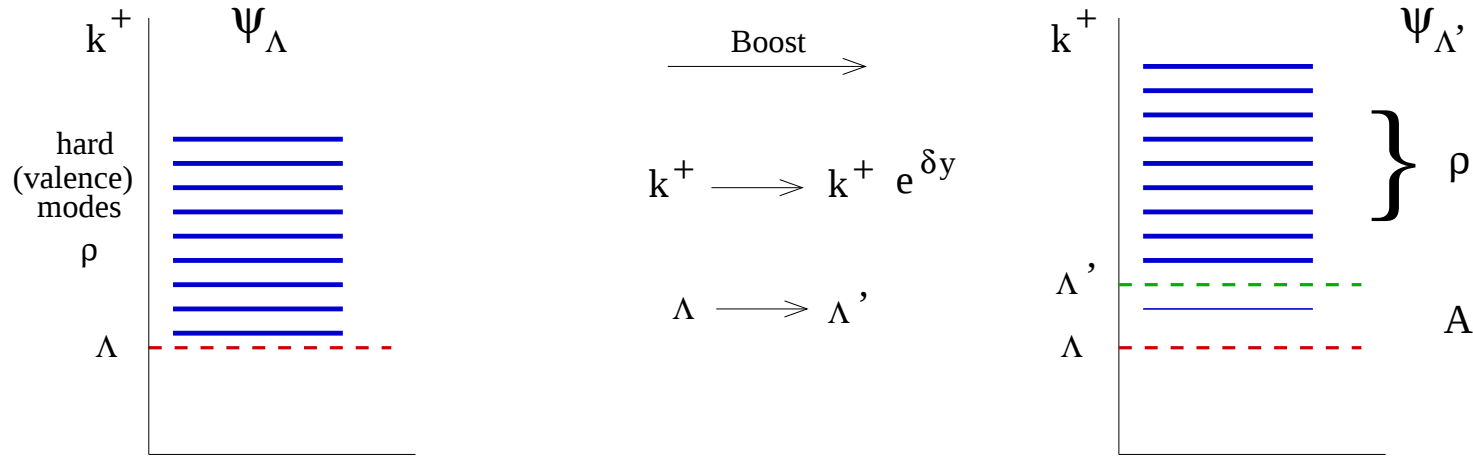
$$H_E = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dk^+}{(2\pi)} d^2 x \quad \Pi_a^-(k^+, x) \Pi_a^-(-k^+, x)$$

$$H_M = \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{dk^+}{(2\pi)} d^2 x \quad G_{ij}^a(k^+, x) G_{ij}^a(-k^+, x)$$

The chromoelectric field

$$\Pi_a^-(k^+, x) = \partial^+ A^- = -\partial^i A_i^a + \frac{g}{\partial^+} J_a^+$$

We split the modes into hard and soft: The hard modes act as an external current $j_a^+ = \delta(x^-) \rho^a$ for the soft modes. $J^+ = j^a + g A A + (\text{quark current})$



$$H^{LC} = H_A^{LC} + H_\rho^{LC}; \quad H_\rho^{LC} |\Psi_\Lambda\rangle = E |\Psi_\Lambda\rangle; \quad H^{LC} |\Psi_{\Lambda'}\rangle = E' |\Psi_{\Lambda'}\rangle$$

$|\Psi_\Lambda\rangle$ is a vacuum of the soft modes A .

$$H_A^{LC} = H_0 + \delta H^\rho + g A A A + \dots; \quad \delta H^\rho \sim g \rho A$$

Quantization

$$A_i^a(x^-, \mathbf{x}_\perp) = \int_0^\infty \frac{dk^+}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2k^+}} \left\{ a_i^a(k^+, \mathbf{x}) e^{-ik^+ x^-} + a_i^{a\dagger}(k^+, \mathbf{x}) e^{ik^+ x^-} \right\}$$

$$\left[a_i^a(k^+, k), a_j^{b\dagger}(p^+, p) \right] = (2\pi)^3 \delta^{ab} \delta_{ij} \delta^3(k - p)$$

The free part of the LCH

$$H_0 = \int_{k^+ > 0} \frac{dk^+}{2\pi} \frac{d^2 k_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{k_\perp^2}{2k^+} a_i^{\dagger a}(k^+, k_\perp) a_i^a(k^+, k_\perp)$$

The vacuum of the LCH is simply the Fock space vacuum of the operators a

$$a_q |0\rangle = 0; \quad E_0 = 0$$

The one particle state

$$|k, a, i\rangle = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} a_i^{a\dagger}(k^+, k) |0\rangle \quad E_g = k^- = \frac{k_\perp^2}{2k^+}$$

Perturbation Theory

$$\delta H^\rho = - \int \frac{dk^+}{2\pi} \frac{d^2 k_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{g k_i}{\sqrt{2} |k^+|^{3/2}} \left[a_i^{\dagger a}(k^+, k_\perp) \hat{\rho}^a(-k_\perp) + a_i^a(k^+, -k_\perp) \hat{\rho}^a(k_\perp) \right]$$

The first order perturbation theory

$$|\theta\rangle = \beta |0\rangle - \sum_i |i\rangle \frac{\langle i | \delta H^\rho | 0 \rangle}{E_i} \qquad \langle \theta | \theta \rangle = 1 \rightarrow \beta$$

This Hamiltonian creates only one particle state from the vacuum

$$\langle 1 \text{ gluon} | \delta H^\rho | 0 \rangle = \langle k_\perp, k^+, a, i | \delta H^\rho | 0 \rangle = \frac{g k_i}{4 \pi^{3/2} |k^+|^{3/2}} \rho^a(-k_\perp)$$

We can write the soft gluon vacuum state to the first order in the coupling as

$$|\theta\rangle = C_{\delta Y} |0\rangle ; \qquad |\Psi_{\Lambda'}\rangle = C_{\delta Y} |\Psi_\Lambda\rangle$$