QCD and Baryon Polarization Lecture 3: Hadronization

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Outline of lectures

- 1. Introduction; collinear and TMD nucleon structure
- 2. Spin-momentum correlations in the nucleon in terms of TMD PDFs and collinear twist-3 multiparton correlations
- 3. Hadronization: collinear and TMD fragmentation functions, collinear twist-3 correlations; dihadron FFs; different hadronization mechanisms/pictures
- 4. Hadron structure and hadronization: Sea quarks/non-valence quarks
- 5. Hyperon and heavy flavor baryon polarization I
- 6. Hyperon and heavy flavor baryon polarization II



Confinement

- How do we relate the quark and gluon d.o.f. of QCD to the hadronic d.o.f. we observe in nature?
- Flip sides of the "confinement coin":
 - Hadron *structure*
 - Hadron formation
- <u>Much</u> greater effort has been dedicated to studying hadron structure than hadron formation over the past half century
 - Proton structure in particular



Recall: Factorization and universality in perturbative QCD

- Systematically *factorize* short- and long-distance physics
 - Observable physical QCD processes always involve at least one "long-distance" scale of ~10⁻¹⁵ m describing boundstate structure (confinement)!
- Long-distance (i.e. not perturbatively calculable) functions describing structure need to be *universal*
 - Physically meaningful descriptions
 - Portable across calculations for many processes

Constrain functions describing proton structure hadron formation by measuring scattering cross sections in many colliding systems over wide kinematic range and performing *simultaneous fits to world data*



Factorized pQCD calculations of observables



- Parton distribution functions (experiment)
- Fragmentation functions (experiment)





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NNLO fit of world e+e- data for identified pion, kaon, and proton production (9 experiments included)



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FFs depend on hard interaction scale (Q), similarly to PDFs



Heavy flavor hadron FFs

- Theory considerations typically different due to mass of c or b quark being larger than Λ_{QCD}
- Much less data available than e.g. π, K, p
- Heavy quark FF to heavy flavor hadron peaked at higher momentum fraction *z* than for light flavor hadrons





D* fragmentation functions



Recall: Transverse single-spin asymmetries

- General form for transverse single-spin asymmetries: $S \cdot (p_1 \times p_2)$
 - Collinear momenta would produce no effect
 - Thus importance of transverse momentum dependence
- Spin could be of initial proton, struck quark, fragmenting quark, produced hadron
- Possible momentum vectors include initial proton momentum, final-state particle or jet momentum, k_T of parton within proton, j_T of final-state particle with respect to jet axis
- Lots of combinations possible!



Spin-spin and spin-momentum correlations in hadronization





Spin-momentum correlations in hadronization: Collins TMD FF



- Correlation between transverse spin of outgoing (anti-)quark and angular distribution of produced hadrons
- 5-10% effect measured by Belle and BaBar
 - Spin of produced q and \overline{q} correlated. Measure *relative* angular distributions of pions in one hemisphere with respect to other
- Collins TMD FF x Collins TMD FF
 - Chiral-odd, so need convolution of two chiralodd functions



Recall: Boer-Mulders TMD PDF ×Collins TMD FF asymmetry from semi-inclusive DIS



- Boer-Mulders TMD PDF correlation between quark transverse spin and its own transverse momentum. Chiral-odd. Zero if orbital angular momentum zero.
- Chiral-odd \rightarrow need another chiral-odd function to measure it. Here the Collins TMD FF
- Clearly nonzero for positive and negative hadrons
- Also measured by HERMES PRD87, 012010 (2013) (see backup)



Higher-twist multiparton correlations in hadronization

- Extend our ideas about (single-parton) PDFs FFs to correlation functions that can't be associated with a single parton
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See Metz + Vossen, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 91, 136 (2016) for a review of parton FFs (collects 628 references!).

Dihadron fragmentation functions

- Describe single parton fragmenting into *two* hadrons
 - Collinear, leading-twist
- Unpolarized or for transversely polarized quark
- Transversely polarized quark: "dihadron interference FF"
 - Interference between s and p waves, so far measured for pion pair production
 - Large effects observed by Belle



Dihadron Interference Fragmentation Function $H_1^{\angle}(q^{\uparrow} \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)$



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- Hadronization connected to jets
 - Anti-k_T jet reconstruction algorithm has opened up many new possibilities to make robust comparisons of jets between theory and experiment Cacciari, Salam, Soyez, JHEP 04, 063 (2008)
 - Single hadron-in-jet FFs introduced in Procura and Stewart, PRD81, 074009 (2010)
 - Fragmenting jet functions introduced in Procura and Stewart, PRD81, 074009 (2010)



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Scaling of elliptic flow in heavy ion collisions based on number of constituent quarks



Elliptic flow (2nd Fourier coefficient wrt event plane) as a function of transverse kinetic energy (left), and scaled by the number of constituent quarks (right)

- When normalized by number of constituent quarks, universal behavior observed for mesons, protons, and deuterons.
- Strong evidence for hadronization via recombination!



Baryon enhancement in heavy ion collisions with respect to p+p



 If a deconfined medium is created and recombination is dominant hadronization mechanism, expect baryons to have higher mean p_T than mesons



Next-generation QCD facility: The Electron-Ion Collider

- Polarized electrons on polarized protons up to $\sqrt{s} = 140 \text{ GeV}$
- Light and heavy nuclear beams
- Broad QCD physics program to study
 - spin-momentum correlations in the nucleon
 - partonic structure of nuclei
 - high-density gluon regime
 - hadronization
- First data anticipated 2030

Project approval ("Critical Decision 0") and site selection at Brookhaven National Lab announced Jan 9, 2020







Summary: Lecture 3



- Hadron structure and hadronization are flip sides of the "confinement coin"
- Hadronization remains much less explored than nucleon structure
 - Most existing efforts have been focused on the high-energy limit of single parton fragmentation, considering inclusive production of single observed particles
 - Hadronization to heavy flavor hadrons requires different treatment than light hadrons
- Striking spin-momentum correlations (up to $\sim 10\%$) in hadronization have been clearly observed in e+e- annihilation
- The theoretical frameworks within perturbative QCD of transversemomentum-dependent fragmentation functions and twist-3 multiparton correlators can characterize these nonperturbative spin-momentum correlations in hadronization
- Collisions involving nuclei offer opportunities to study recombination mechanisms of hadronization







Hadronization in higher-density partonic environments

- No longer (only) "vacuum" fragmentation
- Nuclear modification of FFs observed in e+nucleus collisions with respect to e+p, e.g. pion suppression





Hadronization in higher-density partonic environments

- Pion suppression observed in e+A compared to e+, but proton enhancement in certain p_T range (antiprotons unclear)
 - Related to baryon enhancement observed in p+A and A+A, believed to be due to recombination?





Strangeness enhancement with track multiplicity

- Strangeness enhancement observed in heavy ion collisions
 - Stronger for hadrons with greater strangeness content
 - Suggests deconfined medium and recombination
- But actually turns on rapidly as a function of charged track multiplicity, already in p+p collisions
 - Sign of deconfined medium produced in p+p?
 - Other effects of higher density partonic/color environment?



