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Track Functions Motivation

- Track-based measurements offer:
 - superior angular resolution
 - pileup mitigation.
- One problem: Track-based calculations are not IR safe in perturbation theory.

Track Functions

IR divergences are absorbed into these universal non-perturbative functions.

(like the case of parton distribution functions and fragmentation functions)



\checkmark Track functions introduced and studied at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$. [H. Chang, M. Procura, J. Thaler, W. Waalewijn, arXiv:1303.6637, arXiv:1306.6630]

Complicated:

observables. For all of these observables, the uncertainties for the track-based observables are significantly smaller than those for the calorimeter-based observables, particularly for higher values of β , where more soft radiation is included within the jet. However, since no track-based calculations exist at the present [ATLAS Collaboration, 1912.09837] time, calorimeter-based measurements are still useful for precision QCD studies. the selection of charged particle jets. Note that track-based observables are IRC-unsafe. In general, nonperturbative track functions can be used to directly compare track-based measurements to analytical calculations [67-69]; however, such an approach has not yet been developed for jet angularities. Two [ALICE Collaboration, 2107.11303]

The track function evolution encodes correlations in the hadronization process and thus involves the full collinear $1 \rightarrow N$ $(N \geq 3)$ splittings in its kernel beyond LO.



Our work: Track function formalism beyond leading order.

V Evolution of track functions in moment space and track energy correlators on tracks at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$.

[arXiv:2108.01674; arXiv:2201.05166]



- New in this talk: [to appear soon]
 - Results for the NLO non-linear *x*-space evolution enabling the use of tracks for generic substructure observables! ^{3.0} --- $\mu=10$ GeV, $T_g=12x^2(1-x)$

 $g(\mathbf{x},\boldsymbol{\mu})$

- LO, μ =100 GeV

LO, *µ*=1000 GeV

NLO, μ=1000 GeV

0.4

0.6

---- NLO, *μ*=100 GeV

- Correspondence between the evolution of track functions and that of single- or multi-hadron fragmentation functions.





Outline

- Track Functions & Their Evolution
- Calculational Techniques & Results
 of the Nonlinear *x*-Space Evolution
- Reduction to Multi-hadron
 Fragmentation



• Numerical Implementation



Track Functions and Their Evolution



Track Functions $T_i(x,\mu)$ [H. Chang, M. Procura, J. Thaler, W. Waalewijn, 1303.6637, 1306.6630] Definition

 The track function T_i(x, μ) describes the total momentum fraction x of all charged particles (tracks) in a jet initiated by a hard parton *i*.

$$\bar{p}_i^{\mu} = x p_i^{\mu} + O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}), (0 \le x \le 1)$$

 This formalism applies to other subsets of particles (positivelycharged, strange, etc).





Track Functions

Features [H. Chang, M. Procura, J. Thaler, W. Waalewijn, 1303.6637, 1306.6630]

- A generalization of fragmentation functions (FFs).
 - Independent of hard process.
 - Fundamentally non-perturbative,
 with a calculable scale (μ)
 dependence.
 - Incorporating correlations
 between final-state hadrons, like multi-hadron FFs.

^o Sum rule:
$$\int_0^1 dx \ T_i(x,\mu) = 1 \ .$$





Incorporating Tracks

[1303.6637]

• For a δ -function type observable e measured using partons:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{de} = \sum_{N} \int d\Pi_{N} \frac{d\sigma_{N}}{d\Pi_{N}} \delta\left[e - \hat{e}(p_{i}^{\mu})\right]$$

$$\int \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial \bar{e}} = \sum_{N} \int d\Pi_{N} \frac{d\bar{\sigma}_{N}}{d\Pi_{N}} \int \prod_{i=1}^{N} \frac{d\sigma_{N}}{dx_{i}T_{i}(x_{i})} \delta\left[\bar{e} - \hat{e}(x_{i}p_{i}^{\mu})\right]$$

• For correlations of energy flow: *k*-point correlation functions

 $\langle \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1)\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2)\cdots\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_k)\rangle$

- An energy flow operator that measures energy flow on a restricted set R of final states: \mathcal{E}_R e.g. charged hadrons
- Then, the *k*-point correlator is

 $\langle \mathcal{E}_R(\vec{n}_1)\mathcal{E}_R(\vec{n}_2)\cdots\mathcal{E}_R(\vec{n}_k)\rangle$

This can be related to the partonic-level correlation functions by a factorization formula:

 $\langle \mathcal{E}_R(\vec{n}_1) \mathcal{E}_R(\vec{n}_2) \cdots \mathcal{E}_R(\vec{n}_k) \rangle$

$$\sum_{i_1,i_2,\cdots i_k} \frac{T_{i_1}(1)\cdots T_{i_k}(1)\langle \mathcal{E}_{i_1}(\vec{n}_1)\mathcal{E}_{i_2}(\vec{n}_2)\cdots \mathcal{E}_{i_k}}{\text{the first moments of T}}$$

+ contact terms

with dependence on higher moments of T



$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\ln\mu^{2}}T_{i}(x) = \sum_{M}\sum_{\{i_{f}\}} \left[\prod_{m=1}^{M} \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}z_{m}\right] \delta\left(1 - \sum_{m=1}^{M} \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x_{m} T_{i_{m}}(x_{m})\right] \delta\left(x + \sum_{m=1}^{M} \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x_{m} T_{i_{m}$$

 $(i, i_f = g, u, \overline{u}, d, \cdots)$

• **Nonlinear**, involving contributions from all branches of splittings.

• E.g., LO evolution:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\ln\mu^2} T_i(x,\mu) = a_s(\mu) \sum_{\{jk\}} \int \mathrm{d}z_1 \mathrm{d}z_2 \ K_{i \to jk}^{(0)}(z_1, z_2) \delta(x_1, x_2) \delta(x_1, x_$$

Involving contributions from both the branches of the splitting.



Calculational Techniques & Results $z_1 z_2 z_3 K_{g \to ggg}$ -100-200-300 0.8 0.8 0.6 0.6 0.4 z_1 $z_2 0.4$ 0.2

Track Jet Functions

- We use the jet function to extract the track function evolution.
- The definition for the jet function on tracks is

$$J_{\mathrm{tr},i}^{\mathrm{bare}}(s,x) = \sum_{N} \sum_{\{i_f\}} \int \mathrm{d}\Phi_N^c \delta(s-s') \sigma_{i\to\{i_f\}}^c (\{i_f\})$$

After integration over angular variables,

$$J_{\text{tr},i}^{\text{bare}}(s,x) \supset \int dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \int_0^1 dz_1 dz_2 dz_3 \delta(1-z_1-z_2-z_3) P_{i \to i_1 i_2 i_3}(z_1,z_2,z_3)$$

have not been expanded in ϵ
 $\times T_{i_1}^{(0)}(x_1) T_{i_2}^{(0)}(x_2) T_{i_3}^{(0)}(x_3) \delta(x-z_1 x_1-z_2 x_2-z_3 x_3)$

• For
$$z_{i_1} < z_{i_2} < z_{i_3}$$
 ($i_1, i_2, i_3 = 1, 2, 3$), do the

[Sector decomposition (Heinrich, arXiv:0803.4177)]

$$t = \frac{z_{i_1}}{z_{i_2}}, z = \frac{z_{i_2}}{z_{i_3}} \text{ , i.e., } z_{i_1} \to \frac{zt}{1+z+zt}, z_{i_2} \to \frac{z}{1+z+zt}, z_{i_3} \to \frac{1}{1+z+zt}$$

In DR:
$$T_i^{(0)} = T_i^{\text{bare}}$$

LO track jet function: $J_{\cdot}^{(0)} = \delta(s)T_{\cdot}^{(0)}$

 $\{f_{i_{m}}\}, \{s_{ff'}\}, s'\} \int \left[\prod_{i_{m}}^{N} \mathrm{d}x_{m} T_{i_{m}}^{(0)}(x_{m})\right] \delta\left(x - \sum_{m=1}^{N} x_{m} z_{m}\right)$

coordinate transformation

Results in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ **SYM**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\ln\mu^2}T(x) &= a^2 \left\{ K_{1\to1}^{(1)} T(x) + \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \int_0^1 dz \ K_{1\to2}^{(1)}(z) \ T(x_1)T(x_2) \ \delta\left(x - x_1 \frac{1}{1+z} - x_2 \frac{z}{1+z} + \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \int_0^1 dx_3 \int_0^1 dz \int_0^1 dt \ K_{1\to3}^{(1)}(z,t) \ T(x_1)T(x_2)T(x_3) \\ &\quad \times \delta\left(x - x_1 \frac{1}{1+z+zt} - x_2 \frac{z}{1+z+zt} - x_3 \frac{zt}{1+z+zt}\right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$
where
$$K_{1\to1}^{(1)} &= -25\zeta_3 \qquad K_{1\to2}^{(1)}(z) = \frac{8}{3}\pi^2 \left[\frac{1}{z}\right]_+ + \frac{32\ln^2(z+1)}{z} - \frac{16\ln(z)\ln(z+1)}{z} \\ &\quad K_{1\to3}^{(1)}(z,t) = 8\left\{\frac{4\ln(1+z)}{z} \left[\frac{1}{t}\right]_+ + \left[\frac{1}{z}\right]_+ \left(4\left[\frac{\ln t}{t}\right]_+ - \frac{\ln t}{1+t} - \frac{7\ln(1+t)}{t}\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{2[\ln(1+tz) - \ln(1+z+tz)]}{(1+t)(1+z)(1+tz)} + \frac{\ln(1+z) + \ln(1+t)}{(1+t)(1+z)} - \frac{\ln(1+z)}{(1+t)z} - \frac{z\ln(1+z)}{(1+z)(1+tz)} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} \Gamma(x) &= a^2 \left\{ K_{1 \to 1}^{(1)} T(x) + \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \int_0^1 dz \ K_{1 \to 2}^{(1)}(z) \ T(x_1) T(x_2) \ \delta\left(x - x_1 \frac{1}{1+z} - x_2 \frac{z}{1+z} + \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \int_0^1 dx_3 \int_0^1 dz \int_0^1 dt \ K_{1 \to 3}^{(1)}(z,t) \ T(x_1) T(x_2) T(x_3) \\ &\quad \times \delta\left(x - x_1 \frac{1}{1+z+zt} - x_2 \frac{z}{1+z+zt} - x_3 \frac{zt}{1+z+zt}\right) \right\} \\ K_{1 \to 1}^{(1)} &= -25\zeta_3 \qquad \qquad K_{1 \to 2}^{(1)}(z) = \frac{8}{3}\pi^2 \left[\frac{1}{z}\right]_+ + \frac{32\ln^2(z+1)}{z} - \frac{16\ln(z)\ln(z+1)}{z} \\ &\quad + \frac{2[\ln(1+z)}{z} \left[\frac{1}{t}\right]_+ + \left[\frac{1}{z}\right]_+ \left(4\left[\frac{\ln t}{t}\right]_+ - \frac{\ln t}{1+t} - \frac{7\ln(1+t)}{t}\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{2[\ln(1+tz) - \ln(1+z+tz)]}{(1+t)(1+z)(1+tz)} + \frac{10[\ln(1+z+tz) - \ln(1+z)]}{tz} + \frac{\ln(1+tz)}{(1+t)(1+z)(1+tz)} \\ &\quad - \frac{7\ln(1+tz)}{tz} + \frac{\ln(1+t) - \ln t}{(1+t)(1+z)} + \frac{\ln(1+z) + \ln(1+t)}{(1+t)(1+z)} - \frac{\ln(1+z)}{(1+t)z} - \frac{z\ln(1+z)}{(1+z)(1+tz)} \right\} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \overline{\mu^2} T(x) &= a^2 \left\{ K_{1 \to 1}^{(1)} T(x) + \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \int_0^1 dz \ K_{1 \to 2}^{(1)}(z) \ T(x_1) T(x_2) \ \delta \left(x - x_1 \frac{1}{1+z} - x_2 \frac{z}{1+z} + \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \int_0^1 dx_3 \int_0^1 dz \int_0^1 dt \ K_{1 \to 3}^{(1)}(z,t) \ T(x_1) T(x_2) T(x_3) \\ &\quad \times \delta \left(x - x_1 \frac{1}{1+z+zt} - x_2 \frac{z}{1+z+zt} - x_3 \frac{zt}{1+z+zt} \right) \right\} \end{split}$$

EVE

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a: t' Hooft coupling constant

Results in QCD E.g. Gluon case:

 $\frac{d}{d\ln u^2}T_g(x) = T_g(x) K_g^{(1)}$ $+\int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x_{1}\int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x_{2}\int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}z\delta\left(x-x_{1}\frac{1}{1+z}\right)$ $+\sum \left(T_q(x_1) T_{\bar{q}}(x_2) + T_q(x_2) T_{\bar{q}}(x_1) \right) K$ $+ \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x_{1} \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x_{2} \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x_{3} \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}z \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}z \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}z$ $\times \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 6 \ T_g(x_1) T_g(x_2) T_g(x_3) \ K_{ggg,1}^{(1)}(z,t) \end{array} \right.$ $+\sum \left[T_g(x_3)(T_q(x_2)T_{\bar{q}}(x_1)+T_q(x_1))\right]$ $+ T_g(x_2) \left(T_q(x_3) T_{\bar{q}}(x_1) + T_q(x_1) T_{\bar{q}}(x_3) \right) K_{gq\bar{q},2}^{(1)}(z,t)$ $+T_{q}(x_{1})(T_{q}(x_{3})T_{\bar{q}}(x_{2})+T_{q}(x_{2})T_{\bar{q}}(x_{2}))$

For brevity,
$$a_s^2 = [\alpha_s(\mu)/(4\pi)]^2$$
 is suppress

$$\frac{z}{z} - x_2 \frac{z}{1+z} \int \left[T_g(x_1) T_g(x_2) \ K_{gg,1}^{(1)}(z) \right]$$

$$K_{q\bar{q},1}^{(1)}(z) \int \delta \left(x - x_1 \frac{1}{1+z+zt} - x_2 \frac{z}{1+z+zt} - x_3 \frac{zt}{1+z+zt} \right)$$

$$D_{\bar{q}}(x_2) \int K_{gq\bar{q},1}^{(1)}(z,t)$$

$$(x_3)) K^{(1)}_{gq\bar{q},3}(z,t) \Big] \Big\} .$$

Reduction to Multi-hadron Fragmentation

Fragmentation Functions Single- and Multi-hadron cases [U. P. Sukhatme and K. E. Lassila, *Phys.Rev.D* 22 (1980) 1184] [D. de Florian, L. Vanni: arXiv:0310196]

- by the jet-initiating parton i (a quark, antiquark or gluon).
- The N-hadron fragmentation function $D_{i \rightarrow h_1 h_2 \cdots h_N}(y_1, y_2, \cdots, y_N)$ for the momentum carried by the initial parton.
- N = 2: Di-hadron fragmentation function $D_{i \rightarrow h_1 h_2}(y_1, y_2)$.

• The single-hadron fragmentation function $D_{i \rightarrow h}(y)$ gives the probability of finding in a jet a single hadron h with momentum fraction y of that possessed

fragmentation of parton i into N hadrons which carry fractions y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N of

Notation

• For notational simplicity, set $M \leq 3$.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{i \to \{i_f\}}(\{z_f\})$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} z_m x_m$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} z_m x_m$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{i_{i_1} \in C_i} \sum_{i_{i_2} \in C_i} \sum_$$

Reduction to DGLAP

Reduction to DGLAP At NLO,

 $\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\ln\mu^2}T_i(x)$ $= K_{i \rightarrow i}^{(1)} T_i(x)$ $+\sum_{\{i,j\}} K_{i\to i_1 i_2}^{(1)} \otimes T_{i_1}(x_1) T_{i_2}(x_2)$ $+\sum K_{i\to i_1i_2i_3}^{(1)}\otimes T_{i_1}(x_1)T_{i_2}(x_2)T_{i_3}(x_3)$ $\{i_f\}$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d} \ln \mu^2} D_{i \to h}(x)$$

$$= K_{i \to i}^{(1)} D_{i \to h}(x)$$

$$+ \sum_{\{i_f\}} K_{i \to i_1 i_2}^{(1)} \otimes [D_{i_1 \to h}(x_1) + D_{i_2 \to h}(x_1) + \sum_{\{i_f\}} K_{i \to i_1 i_2 i_3}^{(1)} \otimes [D_{i_1 \to h}(x_1) + D_{i_2 \to h}(x_1) + D_{i_2 \to h}(x_1) + D_{i_3 \to h}(x_3)]$$

$$= \operatorname{equivalent} \operatorname{to} \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d} \ln \mu^2} D_{i \to h}(x) = \sum_j D_{j \to h} \otimes P_{ji}^T(x) \right)$$

Reduction to Di-hadron Fragmentation

Reduction to Di-hadron Fragmentation

• First NLO ($\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$) equation for the di-hadron fragmentation function evolution:

 $\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\ln\mu^2} D_{i\to h_1h_2}(y_1, y_2) = \begin{cases} K_{i\to i}^{(1)} D_{i\to h_1h_2}(y_1, y_2) \\ K_{i\to i}^{(1)} D_{i\to h_1h_2}(y_1, y_2) \end{cases}$

 $+D_{i_2 \to h_1} D_{i_3 \to h_2} + L$

$$(N_2) + \sum_{\{i_f\}} K^{(1)}_{i \to i_1 i_2} \otimes [D_{i_1 \to h_1 h_2} + D_{i_2 \to h_1 h_2}]$$

$$D_{i_1 \to h_1 h_2} + D_{i_2 \to h_1 h_2} + D_{i_3 \to h_1 h_2}]$$

$$D_{i_1 \to h_1} D_{i_2 \to h_2} + D_{i_1 \to h_2} D_{i_2 \to h_1}]$$

$$D_{i_1 \rightarrow h_1} D_{i_2 \rightarrow h_2} + D_{i_1 \rightarrow h_2} D_{i_2 \rightarrow h_1}$$

$$D_{i_1 \to h_2} D_{i_3 \to h_1}$$

 $D_{i_2 \to h_2} D_{i_3 \to h_1}]$

γ.

Numerical Implementation

- 0.6 ~ that in real world QCD.

• Ready for phenomenology!

• Full non-linear RG can be solved numerically (see back-up slides for details).

A toy model: at $\mu_0 = 10$ GeV, $T_i(x) = 12x^2(1 - x)$ (i = q, g) of which the first moment is

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Summary

- Track functions offer a QFT approach to calculating track-based observables.
- We derived the full result of the nonlinear x-space evolution at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$:
 - The most general equation for collinear evolution at NLO;
 - \rightarrow the NLO corrections to any N-hadron fragmentation functions evolution derived.
 - Numerical implementation.

Outlook

- A benchmark for triple collinear evolution in parton showers.
- Precision phenomenology with tracks.
- Applications of multi-hadron fragmentation functions.
- To describe the leading hadron/(sub)jet fragmentation.

Solving the RGEs Numerically

The approaches to the solution to the non-linear evolution equations, we used:

- 1. Moment method:
 - Suppose that the track function at any scale, $T(x, \mu_i)$, can be well described by a polynomial of some degree; $T(x, \mu_i)$ can then be restored from a finite number of its moments.
 - The curve is smooth but more likely to deviate from the normal at the endpoints.

(especially at x = 0).

2. Fourier series: Working better at the peak but leading to oscillations at the endpoints

Solving the RGEs Numerically

- 3. Discretization: Better at the endpoints.

The approaches to the solution to the non-linear evolution equations, we used:

4. Legendre wavelets: Piecewise but behaving well at the endpoints, like discretization.

