The Rise of Jet Substructure





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Jets

Jets play a central role in colliders as proxies for quarks and gluons
⇒ long distance manifestation of microscopic interactions.



Jets at the Large Hadron Collider

• The LHC produces jets with unprecedented energy and multiplicity.





• Provides a rich dataset for exploring the dynamics of QCD.

Jet Substructure



Electroweak scale dynamics imprinted in energy flow of jets
⇒ jets have substructure!

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The Standard Model of Jets

• Jets are the long distance manifestation of Standard Model dynamics.



• Understanding QCD jets takes on a central role.

Jet Substructure

• Jet Substructure uses the internal structure of jets to provide qualitatively new ways to study the SM and Beyond.











Jet substructure as a new Higgs search channel at the LHC

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• Tremendous Influence: Reinvigorated the study of jets in QCD.

Jet Substructure

• Jet substructure has emerged as a central new technique at the LHC:



• Has evolved well beyond its origin to have a large impact on BSM, SM, high energy QCD and nuclear physics.

Outline

• Decoding Energy Flux

• Asymptotic Scaling of Quarks and Gluons

• Imaging Intrinsic and Emergent Scales of the Standard Model

Decoding Energy Flux

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• In condensed matter physics or cosmology we decode the underlying dynamics using correlation functions.

• What is the analog for collider physics?

Energy Flux

• Expectation value of energy flux at specific angles on the celestial sphere is calculable in perturbation theory.

Well-defined detectors

Energy flow becomes the focus of computability.

Our ensembles will thus be specified in terms of sets of jet-related states. To make this idea more quantitative we define for any state a, an "angular energy current" in the e^+e^- CM All observables

$$j_a(\Omega) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \eta_i \delta(\Omega - w_i)$$

where the sum is over the n_{α} massless p $\{\gamma_k\}$ and momentum directions $\{w_k\}$ (w_k a related states have the same j(i). Eac linear momenta may be described as a je states is characterized by the number o and directions.

$$\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}) = \lim_{r \to \infty} r^2 \int_0^\infty dt \ n^i T_{0i}(t, r\vec{n})$$

[Korchemsky, Sterman], [Sveshnikov, Tkachov], [Hofman, Maldacena], [Korchemsky, Sokatchev, Zhiboedov,...]

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A Modern Perspective

• What is a detector?

[Caron Huot, Kologlu, Kravchuk, Meltzer, Simmons Duffin]

• To be able to understand subtle signals in energy flux, we must understand what a detector is in Quantum Field Theory.

Calorimeter Cells in Field Theory

 Calorimeter cells can be given a field theoretic definition in terms of light-ray operators. [Hofman, Maldacena]

Korchemsky, Sterman] Ore, Sterman] [Basham, Brown, Ellis, Love]

• Provides a sharp link between experimentally measurable observables and the underlying QFT.

Energy Correlators: History

• Proposed 45 years ago (The first jet substructure!):

Energy Correlations in electron - Positron Annihilation: Testing QCD

C.Louis Basham (Washington U., Seattle), Lowell S. Brown (Washington U., Seattle), Stephen D. Ellis (Washington U., Seattle), Sherwin T. Love (Washington U., Seattle) Aug, 1978

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Abstract: (APS)

An experimental measure is presented for a precise test of quantum chromodynamics. This measure involves the asymmetry in the energy-weighted opening angles of the jets of hadrons produced in the process e4--->hadrons at energy W. It is special for several reasons: It is reliably calculable in asymptotically free perturbation theory; It has rapidly vanishing (order 1W2) corrections due to nonperturbative confinement effects; and It is trainpliforward to determine experimentally.

SUCCESSIVE COMBINATION JET ALGORITHM FOR HADRON COLLISIONS

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Abstract let finding algorithms, as they are used in e⁺e⁻ and hadron collisions, are reviewed and correspond. It is suggested that a successive combination mybe algorithm, similar to that termine experimentally

• Large resurgence of interest due to LHC dataset and improvement in our understanding of perturbative QCD.

Jets at the LHC

- Transition from GeV \rightarrow TeV Jets transforms the questions we can understand using perturbation theory.
- Move from exclusive amplitudes to the study of correlations $\langle \Psi | \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_1) \cdots \mathcal{E}(\hat{n}_k) | \Psi \rangle$ on high multiplicity states \implies A new regime of QCD!

Energy Correlators: Present

Figure: Wenging Fan

• Asymptotic Freedom and Confinement in one plot!

Asymptotic Scaling of Quarks and Gluons

Scaling Behavior in QFT

• Scaling behavior in Euclidean regime well understood.

$\lambda\text{-point}$ of Helium

$$\mathcal{O}(x)\mathcal{O}(0) = \\ \sum x^{\gamma_i} c_i \mathcal{O}_i$$

The OPE Limit of Lightray Operators

• Energy flow operators admit a Lorentzian OPE: "the lightray OPE"

[Hofman, Maldacena] [Chang, Kologlu, Kravchuk, Simmons Duffin, Zhiboedov] QCD: [Dixon, Moult, Zhu]

• Predicts universal scaling behavior in correlations of energy flux at energies $E\gg\Lambda_{\rm QCD}$. See early work by [Konishi, Ukawa, Veneziano]

• Beautiful scaling behavior in energy flux, even in complicated hadronic environment!

Scaling Behavior in Jets

Thanks to Helen Caines, Meng Xiao, ChenFeng Lu,

Andrew Tamis, Ananya Rai.

• Measurements from ALICE, CMS and STAR from 15 GeV to 1784 GeV released last week!

• Dominated by classical scaling. Can we accurately measure anomalous scaling?

The Spectrum of a Jet

• The light-ray OPE predicts that the N-point correlators develop an anomalous scaling that depends on N.

• Directly probes the spectrum of (twist-2) lightray operators from asymptotic energy flux.

Anomalous Scaling of 3/2 Ratio

• Anomalous scaling measured from 15 GeV to 1784 GeV!

Asymptotic Freedom

- Scaling exponents are proportional to $\alpha_s \implies$ run with p_T .
- Asymptotic Freedom by eye!

The Strong Coupling

- Proof of principle α_s can be extracted from jet substructure in complicated hadron collider environment: 4% accuracy.
- Hope to use high energies of the LHC to resolve previous tensions in α_s extractions.

Jet Substructure: Factorization

• Any quantitative result at colliders relies crucially on the seminal factorization theorems of Collins, Soper, Sterman.

Fig. 1. General graphical contribution to the Deth-Yan cross section, corresponding to eq. (2.1). In the corresponding region in momentum space, each propagator or cut line falls into one of the subgraphs.

• Greatly extended to more differential jet substructure observables using Soft Collinear Effective Theory.

• Forms the theoretical backbone of the jet substructure program.

Imaging the Confinement Transition

Dynamics of Hadronization

• What are the dynamics of the hadronization process?

• Can it be directly imaged in asymptotic energy flux?

The Confinement Transition

Non-Gaussianities in Energy Flux

[Chen, Moult, Thaler, Zhu]

Non-Gaussianities

- Higher-point correlators probe more detailed aspects of interactions.
- e.g. Non-Gaussianities allow one to distinguish models of inflation.

• What is the structure of higher-point functions of energy flux?

Shape Dependence of Non-Gaussianities

• Can directly study non-gaussianities inside high energy jets.

• Illustrates theoretical control over multi-point correlations!

Beyond Energy Flux

The Space of Detectors

- Details of the hadronization process are encoded in the quantum numbers (charge, flavor, ...): By definition, energy flux is insensitive!
- What is the space of detectors over which we can gain theoretical control?

Factorization

- More general observables can be calculated by combining factorization into universal matrix elements, with the Renormalization Group.
- Tremendous recent progress in understanding renormalization group evolution of functions characterizing correlations in the hadronization process (beyond DGLAP).

• Enables the calculation of correlations on energy flux carried by hadrons of specific quantum numbers: e.g. $\langle \Psi | \mathcal{E}_+(\hat{n}_1) \cdots \mathcal{E}_-(\hat{n}_k) | \Psi \rangle$

Charged Energy Flux

- Opposite sign hadrons exhibit enhanced small angle correlations relative to like sign hadrons.
- Not electromagnetic in nature: generated by hadronization!

• How far can we push into the confinement transition? Experimental measurements will be crucial.

From Theory and Experiment

• In the last decade jet substructure has provided a new way of studying QCD: rapid evolution of new techniques from theory to experimental reality.

 $= 0.1229^{+0.0014(stat.)+0.0030(theo.)+0.0023(exp.)}_{-0.0012(stat.)-0.0033(theo.)-0.0036(exp.)}$

• Now we can begin to use jets as calibrated probes of more complicated systems!

Three Examples

• Weighing the Top Quark

 Resolving the Scales of the Quark Gluon Plasma

• New Particles and Interactions

Weighing the Top Quark

[Holguin, Moult, Pathak, Procura, Schofbeck, Schwarz]

Top Quark Mass

• In the absence of the direct observation of new physics, understanding the precise structure of the Standard Model and its extrapolation to high energies can provide clues.

- The top quark mass is one of the most important parameters of the SM. e.g. electroweak vacuum stability/criticality, electroweak fits, etc.
- Precision extraction from experiment requires detailed understanding of QCD.

Boosted Top Quarks

• Large samples of highly boosted top quarks produced at the LHC.

• Imprint their structure into three-point energy correlators.

Top Quark Mass Measurement Proposal

Resolving the Scales of the Quark Gluon Plasma

[Andres, Dominguez, Holguin, Kunnawalkam Elayavalli, Marquet, Moult]

The Quark Gluon Plasma

• Understanding extreme states of QCD matter, "the condensed matter physics of QCD", is important for many problems ranging from early universe cosmology to neutron star mergers.

• The QGP can be produced and studied in high energy colliders, providing a primary target for new jet substructure techniques.

Imaging the Plasma

• Energetic quarks and gluons produced in the collisions shoot through the plasma, much like the classic Rutherford experiment.

• How can we see there was a 10^{-14} m ball of plasma at the center?

Resolving the Scales of the QGP

• QGP scales cleanly imprinted in two-point correlation!

- Detailed behavior and higher point correlators probe transport, etc.
- Measurements public soon!

New Particles and New Interactions

Searches at the LHC

• Tremendous impact on (B)SM searches:

Charm Yukawa

- Measurements of the Higgs couplings to light quarks provide a crucial test of the Yukawa sector of the SM.
- Jet substructure provides the current most stringent bound on the charm Yukawa, $1.1 < \kappa_c < 5.5$.

• Matches the original projected sensitivity with 3000 fb⁻¹!

Higgs Self Interactions

- The Higgs self interaction accesses the Higgs potential.
- Jet Substructure exploits the high branching ratio to b-quarks.

• First observation of the $VV \rightarrow HH$ coupling in the SM!

Boosted Higgs

• Searches for modifications of Higgs couplings at high p_T .

Summary

- The spectacular understanding of QCD developed over the past 50 years is being used to study the SM in new ways.
- Jet Substructure is rapidly evolving into a precision science enabling *quantitative* new ways to study the strong force.
- With the rich experimental program from HEP to nuclear physics, expect many exciting developments in the next 50!

Happy Birthday

Asymptotic Freedom!

