

# Collectivity from interference

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Observation of flow-like signatures in pp and pA motivates to revisit fluid dynamical paradigm.

- Fluid dynamics and transport theory invoke final state interactions.
- But final state interactions imply jet quenching, which is not seen in pp and pA.

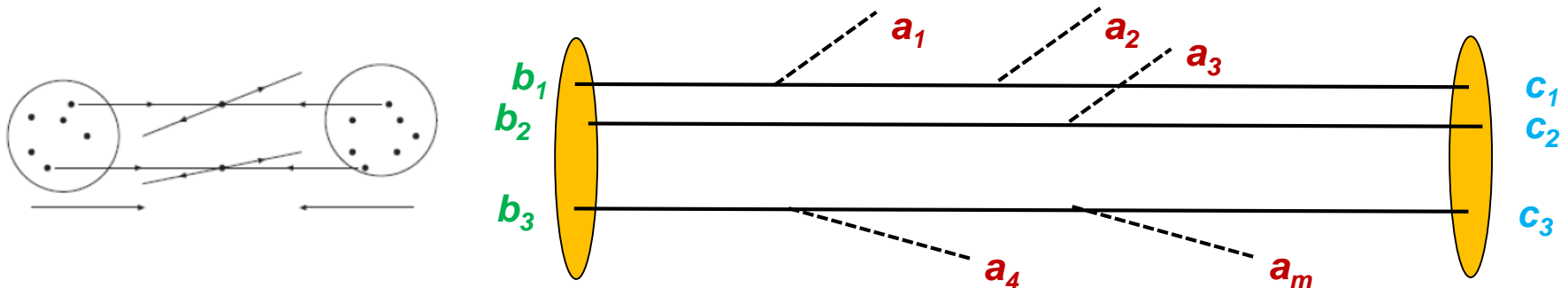
⇒ Either, jet quenching exists in pp & pA but effects are too small to be observed so far,

⇒ Or collectivity can build up without final state interactions.  
How? By quantum interference?

This question motivates the present study.

# A simplified model of multi-parton production

- Schematic picture: pp collision = multiple parton-parton interactions at positions  $y_i$ .



Source lines start (end) with colors  $b_i$  ( $c_i$ ) at rapidity of 1<sup>st</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup>) hadron.

- Diagrammatic rules: gluon emission keeps track of **color** and **phases** exactly.  
(basis for understanding QCD interference effects)

$$\begin{array}{c} c \\ | \\ \text{---} a, \\ | \\ b \\ y_j \end{array} = T_{b_i c_i}^a \int d\mathbf{x} \vec{f}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \boxed{e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}}} \equiv T_{b_i c_i}^a \boxed{\vec{f}(\mathbf{k})} \exp[i\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{k}]$$

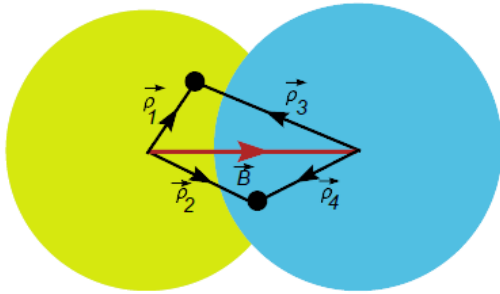
- Simplifications (to make calculation of  $m$ -particle emission possible)

- Don't specify **kinematics**.
- Flat rapidity dependence of  $f(k)$ .
- Gluons do not cross.



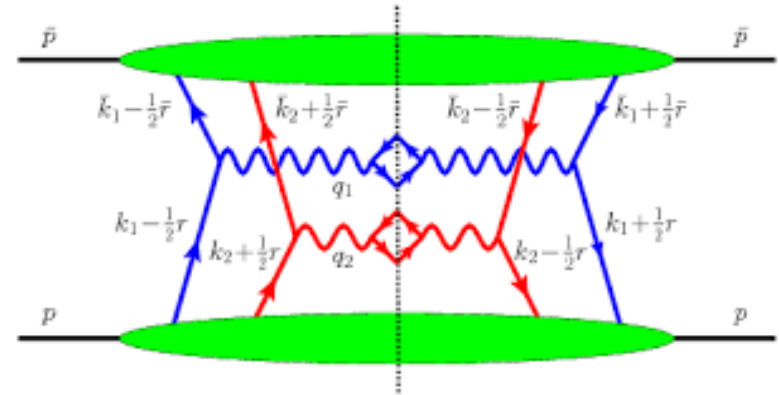
Set-up without final state interactions and without initial state density effects allows for calculation of  $m$ -particle interference and higher order cumulants.

# Basic ideas about MPI geometry



$$\sigma_{2 \text{ MPIs}} = \frac{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}{\sigma_{\text{eff}}}$$

$$\sigma_{N \text{ MPI}} = \frac{\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_N}{K_N}.$$



- Generalized parton distribution functions (GPDs) carry geometrical information

$$\frac{1}{K_N} = \int \left( \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{d\Delta_i}{(2\pi)^2} \right) \frac{G_N(\{x_i\}, \{Q_i^2\}, \{\Delta_i\}) G_N(\{x'_i\}, \{Q_i^2\}, \{\Delta_i\})}{\prod_{i=1}^N (f(x_i, Q_i^2) f(x'_i, Q_i^2))} \delta^{(2)} \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \Delta_i \right)$$

- Probabilistic interpretation of GPDs in a mean-field approximation Blok, Dokshitzer, Frankfurt, Strikman, PRD 83, 071501 (2011)

$$G_N(\{x_i\}, \{Q_i^2\}, \{\Delta_i\}) = \prod_{i=1}^N G_1(x_i, Q_i, \Delta_i) = \prod_{i=1}^N f(x_i, Q_i) F_{2g}(\Delta_i)$$

- Only purpose for the following:  $F_{2g}^2(\Delta) = \exp(-B\Delta_i^2)$

$$B = 2 \text{ GeV}^{-2} \longleftrightarrow \sigma_{\text{eff}} \approx 20 \text{ mb}$$

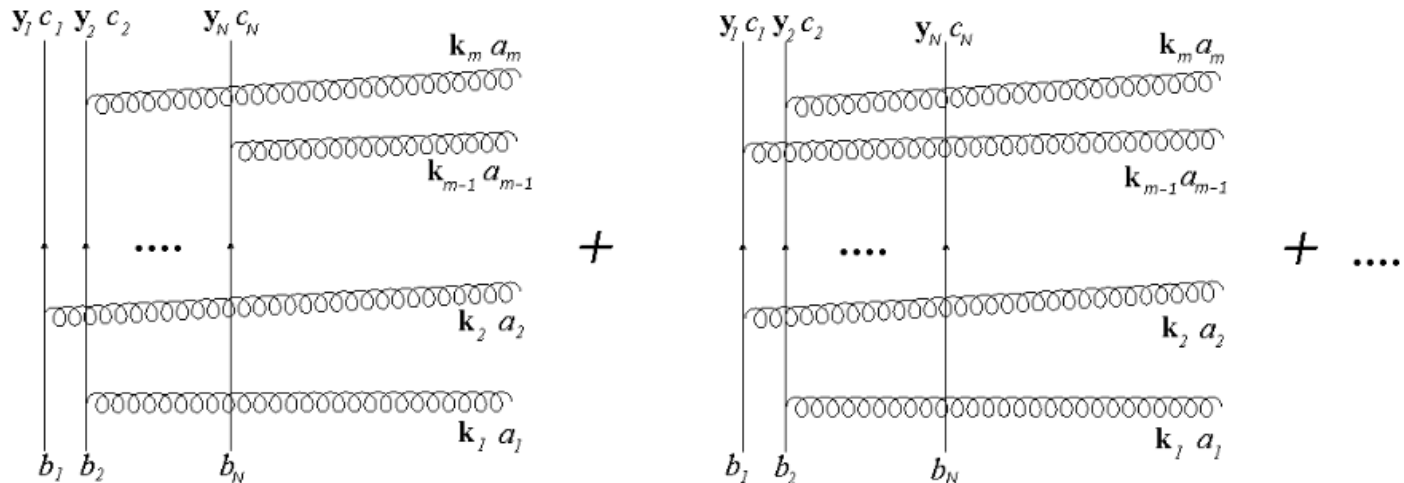
LHC data set scale  
of parameter  $B$

- Density distribution of colliding partons in  $pp$

$$\rho(\{\mathbf{y}_i\}, \mathbf{b}) = \prod_j \frac{1}{(4\pi B)^2} \exp \left[ -\frac{\mathbf{y}_j^2}{4B} \right] \exp \left[ -\frac{(\mathbf{y}_j - \mathbf{b})^2}{4B} \right]$$

# m-gluon emission from N sources: interference effects

- This model has  $N^m$  different m-particle emission amplitudes:



- Summing up and squaring these emission amplitudes returns a **gluon spectrum for a fixed set of transverse positions  $y_i$** . Averaging over transverse positions with a **classical weight**, one finds the spectrum

$$\frac{d\Sigma}{d\mathbf{k}_1 \dots d\mathbf{k}_m} = \int \left( \prod_{i=1}^N d\mathbf{y}_i \right) \rho(\{\mathbf{y}_i\}) \hat{\sigma}(\{\mathbf{k}_j\}, \{\mathbf{y}_i\})$$

We want to calculate this spectrum and its azimuthal anisotropies  $v_n\{2k\}$  for arbitrary  $m$  and  $N$ .



# Inclusive m-gluon cross section from N sources

- *Complete result in large N limit: (contains sums over source doublets, triplets, quadruplets, pairs of doublets, ...)*  
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$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\sigma} \propto & N_c^m (N_c^2 - 1)^N \left( \prod_{i=1}^m |\vec{f}(\mathbf{k}_i)|^2 \right) N^{m-4} \\
 & \times \left\{ N^4 + F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)}(N, m) \frac{N^2}{(N_c^2 - 1)} \sum_{(ab)} \sum_{(lm)} 2^2 \cos(\mathbf{k}_a \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{lm}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_b \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{lm}) \right. \\
 & + F_{\text{corr}}^{(3i)}(N, m) \frac{N}{(N_c^2 - 1)^2} \sum_{(abc)} \sum_{(lm)(mn)(nl)} 2^3 \cos(\mathbf{k}_a \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{lm}) \\
 & \quad \times \cos(\mathbf{k}_b \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_c \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{nl}) \\
 & + F_{\text{corr}}^{(4i)}(N, m) \frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^2} \sum_{(lm), (no)} \sum_{(ab)(cd)} 2^4 \cos(\mathbf{k}_a \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{lm}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_b \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{lm}) \\
 & \quad \times \cos(\mathbf{k}_c \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{no}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_d \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{no}) \\
 & + F_{\text{corr}}^{(4ii)}(N, m) \frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^3} \sum_{(lm)(mn)(no)(ol)} \sum_{(abcd)} 2^4 \cos(\mathbf{k}_a \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{lm}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_b \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}) \\
 & \quad \times \cos(\mathbf{k}_c \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{no}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_d \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{ol}) \\
 & + F_{\text{corr}}^{(5)}(N, m) \frac{N^{-1}}{(N_c^2 - 1)^3} \sum_{[(lm)(mn)(nl)](op)} \sum_{(abc)(de)} 2^2 \cos(\mathbf{k}_d \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{op}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_e \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{op}) \\
 & \quad \times 2^3 \cos(\mathbf{k}_a \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{lm}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_b \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_c \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{nl}) \\
 & + F_{\text{corr}}^{(6)}(N, m) \frac{N^{-2}}{(N_c^2 - 1)^3} \sum_{(lm)(no)(pq)} \sum_{(ab)(cd)(ef)} 2^2 \cos(\mathbf{k}_a \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{lm}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_b \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{lm}) \\
 & \quad \times 2^2 \cos(\mathbf{k}_c \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{no}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_d \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{no}) 2^2 \cos(\mathbf{k}_e \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{pq}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_f \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{pq}) \\
 & \left. + O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right) + O\left(\frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^4}\right) \right\},
 \end{aligned}$$

# From the spectra to $v_n$ 's and higher order cumulants

- Once spectrum is known, azimuthal phase space averages can be formed

$$T_n(k_1, k_2) = \binom{m}{2} \int_{\rho} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_1 d\phi_2 \exp[in(\phi_1 - \phi_2)] \left( \int \prod_{b=3}^m k_b dk_b d\phi_b \right) \hat{\sigma}$$

- Suitably normalized, these define  $v_n$ 's (2<sup>nd</sup> order cumulants)

$$\bar{T}(k_1, k_2) = \binom{m}{2} \int_{\rho} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_1 d\phi_2 \left( \int \prod_{b=3}^m k_b dk_b d\phi_b \right) \hat{\sigma}$$

$$v_n^2\{2\}(k_1, k_2) \equiv \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_1 - \phi_2)} \rangle \rangle(k_1, k_2) \equiv \frac{T_n(k_1, k_2)}{\bar{T}(k_1, k_2)}$$

- Higher order cumulants obtained in close similarity

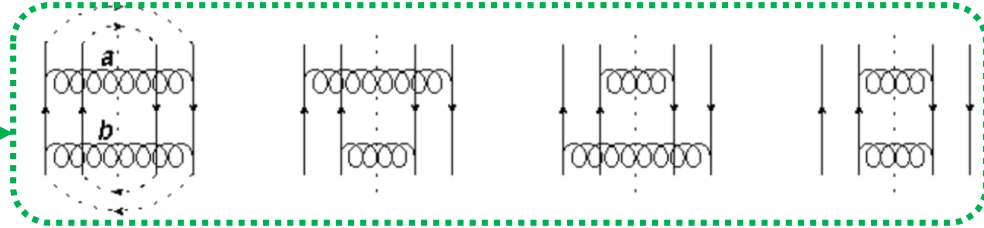
$$S(k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4) = \binom{m}{4} \int_{\rho} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_1 d\phi_2 d\phi_3 d\phi_4 e^{in(\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4)} \left( \int \prod_{b=5}^m k_b dk_b d\phi_b \right) \hat{\sigma}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4)} \rangle \rangle_c &= \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4)} \rangle \rangle \\ &\quad - \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_1 - \phi_3)} \rangle \rangle \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_2 - \phi_4)} \rangle \rangle - \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_1 - \phi_4)} \rangle \rangle \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_2 - \phi_3)} \rangle \rangle \end{aligned}$$

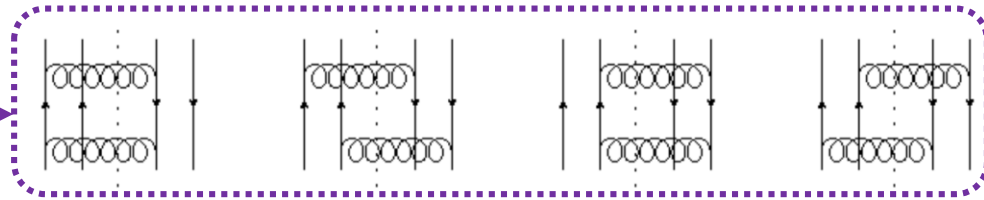
# Simplest case: emitting $m=2$ gluons from $N=2$ sources

- Color can be read easily from diagrams

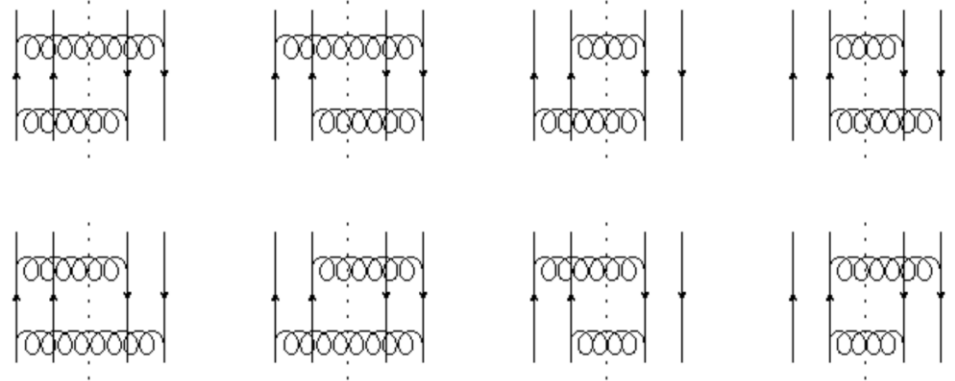
$$\text{Tr} [T^a T^b T^b T^a] \text{Tr} [1] = N_c^2 (N_c^2 - 1)^2$$



$$\text{Tr} [T^a T^b] \text{Tr} [T^b T^a] = N_c^2 (N_c^2 - 1)$$



phases  $\propto e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{y}_i}$  ( $\propto e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{y}_i}$ )  
in amplitude (complex conj. amplitude)



$$\frac{d\Sigma}{d\mathbf{k}_1 d\mathbf{k}_2} \propto |\vec{f}(\mathbf{k}_1)|^2 |\vec{f}(\mathbf{k}_2)|^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{(e^{-B(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2)^2} + e^{-B(\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2)^2})}{(N_c^2 - 1)} \right]$$

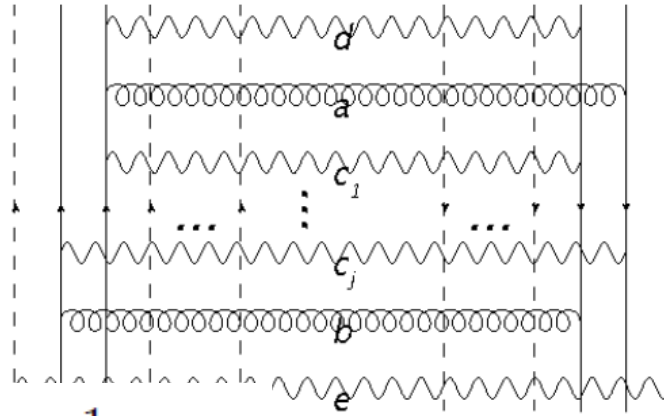
- For  $B = 1/Q_s^2$ , this QCD agrees with CGC calculations,

Altinoluk et al, *PLB* 751 (2015) 448; *PLB* 752 (2016) 113  
Lappi, Schenke, Schlichting, Venugopalan *JHEP* 1601 (2016) 061

but it does not invoke saturation effects.



# Analytical control over effects of diagonal gluons



Using,  $T^{c_j} T^a T^{c_j} = \frac{1}{2} N_c T^a$  we can resum contributions from arbitrarily many diagonal gluons in color correction factors

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\sigma} \propto (N_c^2 - 1)^N N_c^m \left( \prod_{i=1}^m |\vec{f}(\mathbf{k}_i)|^2 \right) \\ \times \left\{ N^m + F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)}(N, m) \frac{N^{m-2}}{(N_c^2 - 1)} \sum_{(ab)} \sum_{(ij)} 4 \cos(\mathbf{k}_a \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{ij}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_b \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{ij}) \right. \\ \left. + O\left(\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)}\right) + O\left(\frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^2}\right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

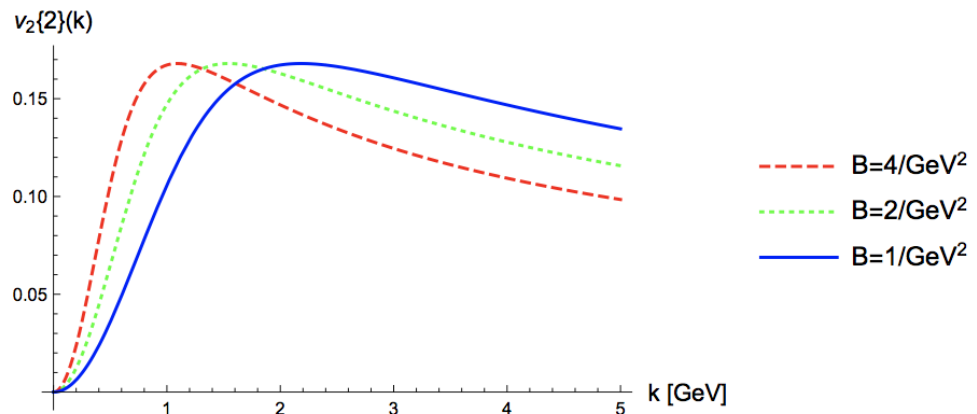
$$\begin{aligned} F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)}(N, m) &= \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}_{\text{incoh}}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-2} N^{m-2-j} (m-1-j) \left( \sum_{l=0}^j \binom{j}{l} 2^l (N-2)^{j-l} \frac{1}{2^l} \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{m(m-1)} N^{1-m} (N(N-1)^m + mN^m - N^{1+m}). \end{aligned}$$

## 2<sup>nd</sup> order cumulant: $v_2$

$$v_2^2\{2\}(k_1, k_2) \equiv \langle\langle e^{i2(\phi_1 - \phi_2)} \rangle\rangle(k_1, k_2)$$

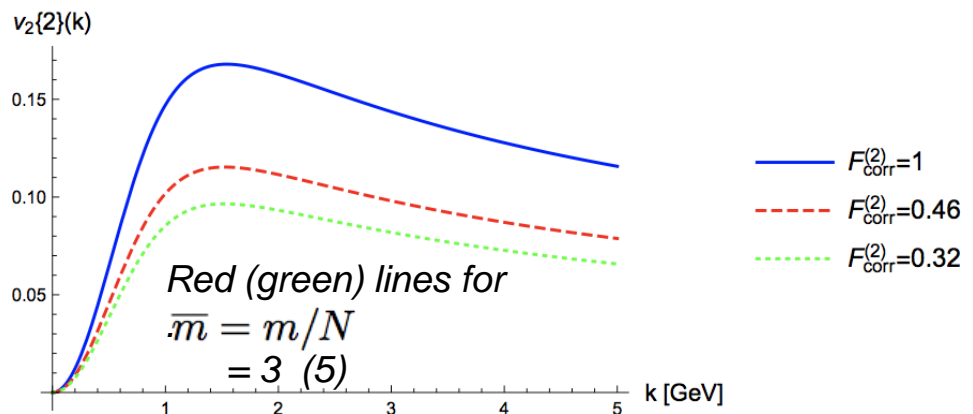
$$\equiv \frac{F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)}(N, m) \int_{\rho} \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{(ij)} 2^2 J_2(k_1 \Delta y_{ij}) J_2(k_2 \Delta y_{ij})}{(N_c^2 - 1) + F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)}(N, m) \int_{\rho} \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{(ij)} 2^2 J_0(k_1 \Delta y_{ij}) J_0(k_2 \Delta y_{ij})} + O\left(\frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^2}\right)$$

- Partonic  $v_2$ , may be modified by hadronization
- Signal persists to multi-GeV region



- For fixed average multiplicity per source,  $\bar{m} = m/N$

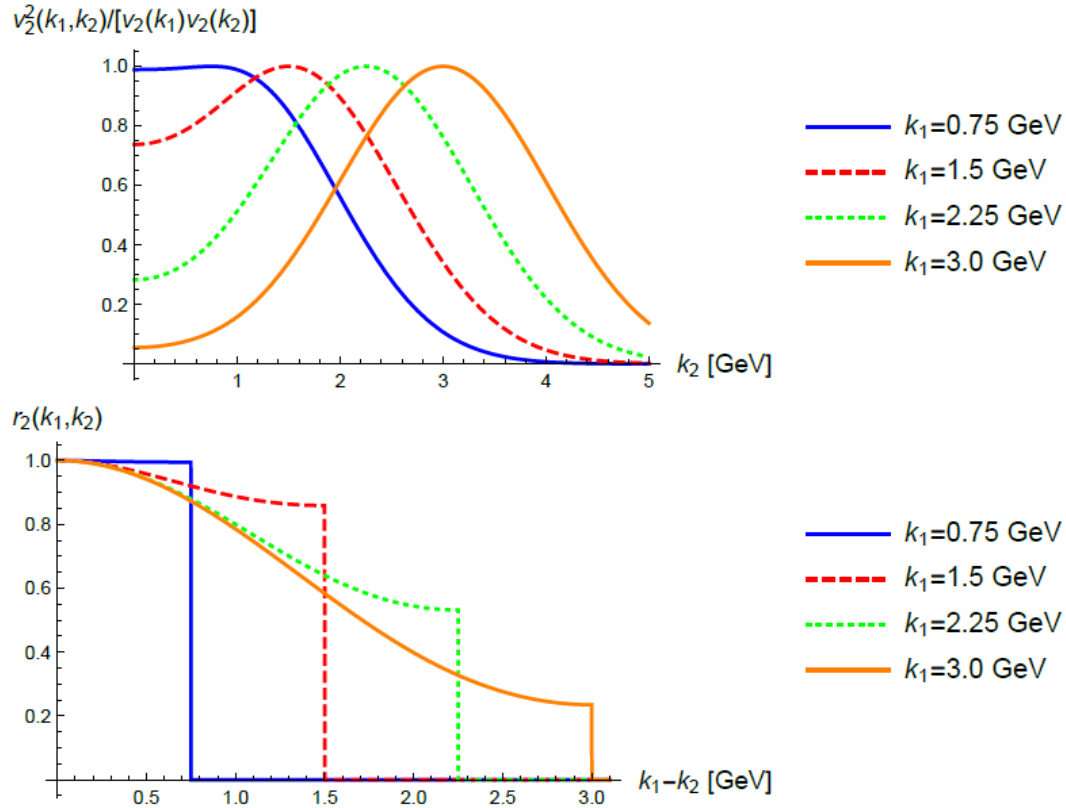
$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)}(m/\bar{m}, m) = \frac{2\bar{m} + 2e^{-\bar{m}} - 2}{\bar{m}^2}$$



For any multiplicity  $m$ ,  $v_2^2\{2\}$  is finite in the limit  $N \rightarrow \infty$  of a large number of sources.

$v_2^2\{2\}(k_1, k_2)$  does not factorize except for small transverse momentum.

Compatible with hydrodynamics



## 4<sup>th</sup> order cumulant: $v_2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle\langle e^{i2(\phi_1+\phi_2-\phi_3-\phi_4)} \rangle\rangle_c &= (Bk_1^2) (Bk_2^2) (Bk_3^2) (Bk_4^2) \\
 &\left\{ \frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^2} \left( 2 F_{\text{corr}}^{(4i)} - 2 F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)} F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)} + O(N^{-1}) \right) \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^3} \left( 2 F_{\text{corr}}^{(6)} (m-4)(m-5) - 4 F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)} F_{\text{corr}}^{(4i)} (m-2)(m-3) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 4 F_{\text{corr}}^{(5)} (m-4) - 4 F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)} F_{\text{corr}}^{(3)} (m-2) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2 F_{\text{corr}}^{(4ii)} + 8 \left( F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)} \right)^3 - 4 F_{\text{corr}}^{(4i)} F_{\text{corr}}^{(2)} \right) + O(N^{-1}) \left. \right\} \\
 &+ O(1/(N_c^2 - 1)^4) .
 \end{aligned}$$

The leading order  $\sim \frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^2}$  vanishes but the next order  $\sim 1/(N_c^2 - 1)^3$  is always negative!

$$v_n\{4\} \equiv \sqrt[4]{-\langle\langle e^{in(\phi_1+\phi_2-\phi_3-\phi_4)} \rangle\rangle_c} .$$

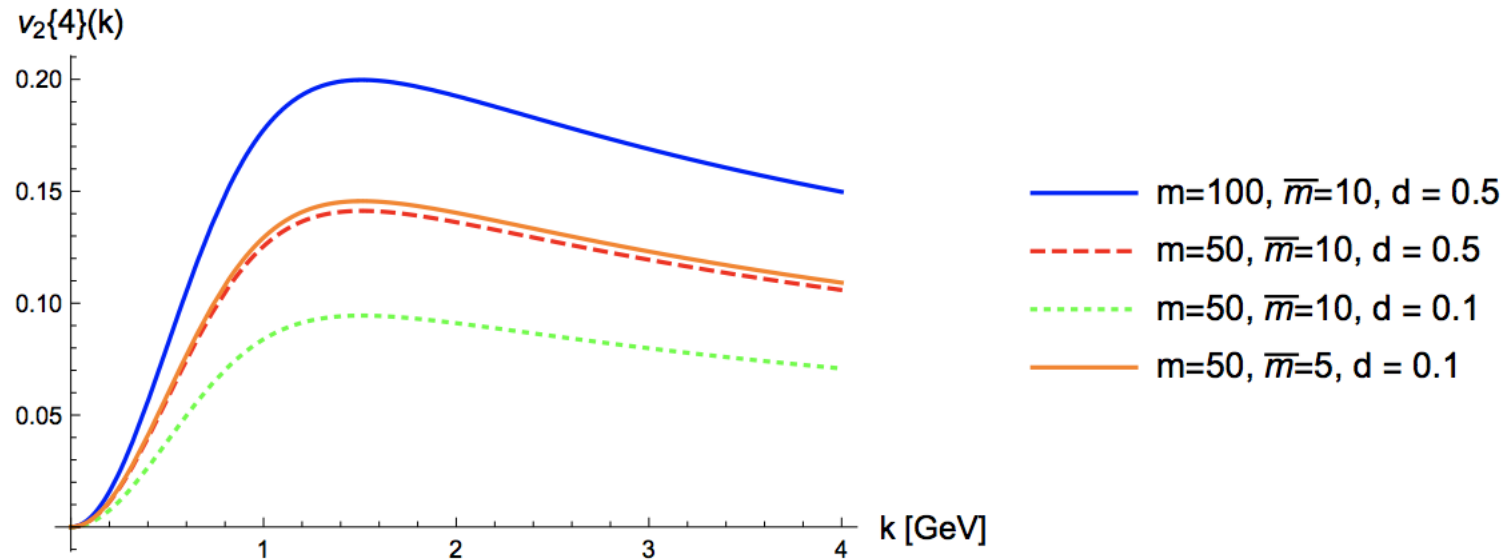
$$v_2\{4\}(k) \simeq \frac{1}{(N_c^2 - 1)^{3/4}} 2^{1/4} \sqrt{m} B k^2 .$$

## ...4<sup>th</sup> order cumulant, cont'd ...

CGC result for  $v_2\{4\}$  has same  $N_c$  but different  $m$ - ( $N$ ?) -dependencies,

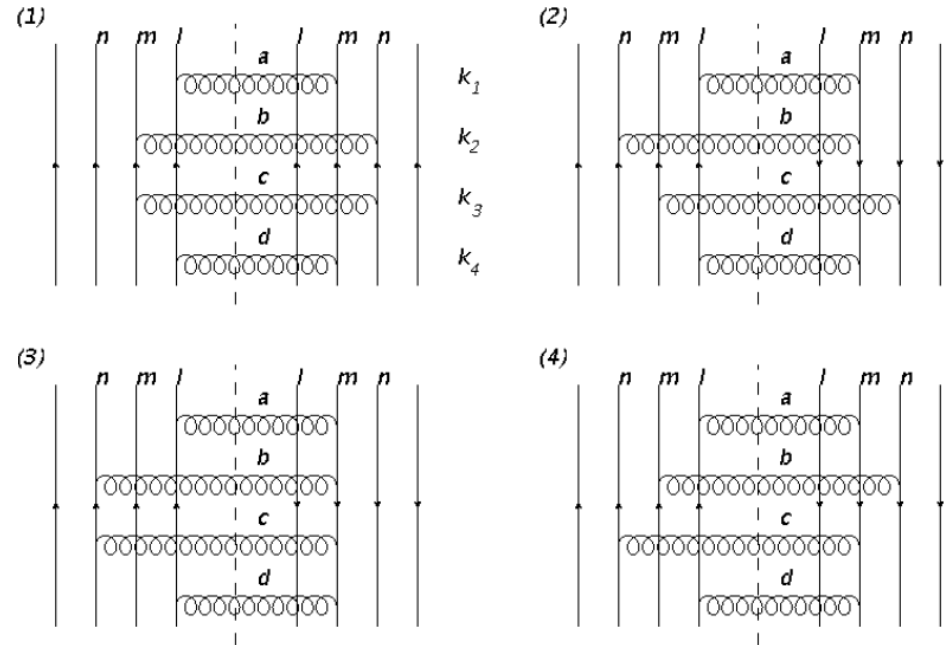
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# Odd harmonics

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}[\mathbb{1}] \text{Tr}[T^c T^b] \text{Tr}[T^b T^c T^d T^a] \text{Tr}[T^a T^d] &= N_c^4 (N_c^2 - 1)^2 \\ \text{Tr}[\mathbb{1}] \text{Tr}[T^b T^c] \text{Tr}[T^c T^d T^b T^a] \text{Tr}[T^a T^d] &= \frac{1}{2} N_c^4 (N_c^2 - 1)^2 \\ \text{Tr}[\mathbb{1}] \text{Tr}[T^b T^c] \text{Tr}[T^d T^c T^b T^a] \text{Tr}[T^a T^d] &= N_c^4 (N_c^2 - 1)^2 \\ \text{Tr}[\mathbb{1}] \text{Tr}[T^c T^b] \text{Tr}[T^b T^d T^c T^a] \text{Tr}[T^a T^d] &= \frac{1}{2} N_c^4 (N_c^2 - 1)^2 \end{aligned}$$



To order  $1/N$ , differences in color factors break the  $k$  to  $-k$  symmetry

$$\begin{aligned} &e^{i \mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}} \left( e^{i \mathbf{k}_3 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-i \mathbf{k}_3 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}} \right) + e^{-i \mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}} \left( \frac{1}{2} e^{i \mathbf{k}_3 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}} + e^{-i \mathbf{k}_3 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}} \right) \\ &= 3 \cos(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}) \cos(\mathbf{k}_3 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}) - \sin(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}) \sin(\mathbf{k}_3 \cdot \Delta \mathbf{y}_{mn}) . \end{aligned} \quad (5.)$$

Odd harmonics occur!



## Conclusion

- The zero-final state interaction baseline for  $v_2$  (and  $v_n$ ) is not vanishing, but it is given by quantum interference and it may take sizes and  $p_T$ -shapes comparable to those observed in pp, pA
- Work is in progress (Boris Blok & Urs Wiedemann)
  - to resum effects to all orders in  $m^2/(N_c^2 - 1)$
  - to push this line of investigation to higher order cumulants
  - to understand relation to CGC formalism

*Stay tuned!*