## Probing Gluon TMDs at a future EIC

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## Outline

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- Azimuthal asymmetries in heavy quark pair and dijet production in DIS
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  - Maximal allowed asymmetries
  - Small-x behavior
- Related observables at LHC/RHIC: study of process dependence of TMDs
- Sign change test of gluon Sivers function and other T-odd TMDs

Boer, Mulders, CP, Zhou, ArXiv:1605.07934

The gluon correlator describes the hadron  $\rightarrow$  gluon transition



Gluon momentum  $p^{\alpha} = x P^{\alpha} + p_T^{\alpha} + p^- n^{\alpha}$ , with  $n^2 = 0$  and  $n \cdot P \neq 0$ 

Definition of  $\Gamma^{\alpha\beta}$  for a spin-1/2 hadron

$$\Gamma^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{n_{\rho} \, n_{\sigma}}{(P \cdot n)^2} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}(\xi \cdot P) \, \mathrm{d}^2 \xi_T}{(2\pi)^3} \, e^{i p \cdot \xi} \left\langle P, S \right| \operatorname{Tr} \left[ \left. F^{\alpha\rho}(0) \, U_{[0,\xi]} \, F^{\beta\sigma}(\xi) \, U_{[\xi,0]}' \right] \left| P, S \right\rangle \right]_{\xi \cdot n = 0}$$

Mulders, Rodrigues, PRD 63 (2001) 094021

*U*, *U*': process dependent gauge links transverse projectors:  $g_T^{\alpha\beta} \equiv g^{\alpha\beta} - P^{\alpha}n^{\beta} - n^{\alpha}P^{\beta}$ ,  $\epsilon_T^{\alpha\beta} \equiv \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}P_{\gamma}n_{\delta}$ Spin vector:  $S^{\alpha} = S_L \left(P^{\alpha} - M_h^2 n^{\alpha}\right) + S_T$ , with  $S_L^2 + S_T^2 = 1$ 

#### Gluon TMDs The gluon correlator

Parametrization of  $\Gamma^{\alpha\beta}$  (at "Leading Twist" and omitting gauge links)

$$\begin{split} \Gamma_{U}^{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{p}_{T}) &= \frac{x}{2} \left\{ -g_{T}^{\alpha\beta} f_{1}^{g}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{p}_{T}^{2}) + \left( \frac{p_{T}^{\alpha} p_{T}^{\beta}}{M_{h}^{2}} + g_{T}^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\boldsymbol{p}_{T}^{2}}{2M_{h}^{2}} \right) \boldsymbol{h}_{1}^{\perp g}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{p}_{T}^{2}) \right\} \qquad [\text{unp. hadron}] \\ \Gamma_{T}^{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{p}_{T}) &= \frac{x}{2} \left\{ g_{T}^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\epsilon_{T}^{\rho\sigma} p_{T\rho} S_{T\sigma}}{M_{h}} f_{1T}^{\perp g}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{p}_{T}^{2}) + i\epsilon_{T}^{\alpha\beta} \frac{p_{T} \cdot S_{T}}{M_{h}} g_{1T}^{g}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{p}_{T}^{2}) \\ &- \frac{p_{T\rho} \epsilon_{T}^{\rho\{\alpha} S_{T}^{\beta\}} + S_{T\rho} \epsilon_{T}^{\rho\{\alpha} p_{T}^{\beta\}}}{4M_{h}} h_{1T}^{g}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{p}_{T}^{2}) + \frac{p_{T\rho} \epsilon_{T}^{\rho\{\alpha} p_{T}^{\beta\}}}{2M_{h}^{2}} \frac{p_{T} \cdot S_{T}}{M_{h}} h_{1T}^{\perp g}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{p}_{T}^{2}) \right\} \\ [\text{transv. pol. hadron]} \end{split}$$

Mulders, Rodrigues, PRD 63 (2001) 094021 Meissner, Metz, Goeke, PRD 76 (2007) 034002

- $f_1^g$ : unpolarized TMD gluon distribution
- ▶  $h_1^{\perp g}$ : *T*-even distribution of linearly polarized gluons inside an unp. hadron
- ►  $f_{1T}^{\perp g}$ : *T*-odd distributions of unp. gluons inside a transversely pol. hadron
- ►  $h_{1T}^g$ ,  $h_{1T}^{\perp g}$ : helicity flip distributions like  $h_{1T}^q$ ,  $h_{1T}^{\perp q}$ , but *T*-odd, chiral even!

Transversity  $h_1^q \equiv h_{1T}^q + \frac{p_T^2}{2M_o^2} h_{1T}^{\perp q}$  survives under  $p_T$  integration, unlike  $h_1^g$ 

# Heavy quark pair production in DIS Kinematics

Gluon TMDs probed directly in  $e(\ell) + p(P, S) \rightarrow e(\ell') + Q(K_1) + \overline{Q}(K_2) + X$ 

- the  $Q\overline{Q}$  pair is almost back to back in the plane  $\perp$  to q and P
- ▶  $q \equiv \ell \ell'$ : four-momentum of the exchanged virtual photon  $\gamma^*$



 $\implies$  Correlation limit:  $|\mathbf{q}_T| \ll |\mathbf{K}_{\perp}|, \qquad |\mathbf{K}_{\perp}| \approx |\mathbf{K}_{1\perp}| \approx |\mathbf{K}_{2\perp}|$ 

Heavy quark pair production in DIS Angular structure of the cross section

 $\begin{array}{l} y_1 \left( y_2 \right) \text{ rapidities of } Q \left( \bar{Q} \right) \text{ in the } \gamma^* p \text{ cms;} & x_B, y: \text{ DIS variables} \\ q_T \equiv \mathbf{K}_{1\perp} + \mathbf{K}_{2\perp} = |\mathbf{q}_T| (\cos \phi_T, \sin \phi_T) \\ \mathbf{K}_{\perp} \equiv (\mathbf{K}_{1\perp} - \mathbf{K}_{2\perp})/2 = |\mathbf{K}_{\perp}| (\cos \phi_{\perp}, \sin \phi_{\perp}) \\ \mathbf{S}_T = S_T (\cos \phi_S, \sin \phi_S) \text{ in a frame where } \phi_{\ell} = \phi_{\ell'} = 0 \end{array}$ 



At LO in pQCD: only  $\gamma^*g \rightarrow Q\overline{Q}$  contributes

$$\mathrm{d}\sigma(\phi_{\mathcal{S}},\phi_{\mathcal{T}},\phi_{\perp}) = \mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathcal{U}}(\phi_{\mathcal{T}},\phi_{\perp}) + \mathrm{d}\sigma^{\mathcal{T}}(\phi_{\mathcal{S}},\phi_{\mathcal{T}},\phi_{\perp})$$

Angular structure of the unpolarized cross section for 
$$ep \rightarrow e'Q\overline{Q}X$$
.  $|q_T| \ll |K_{\perp}|$   

$$\frac{d\sigma^U}{dy_1 dy_2 dy dx_B d^2 q_T d^2 K_{\perp}} \propto \left\{ A_0^U + A_1^U \cos \phi_{\perp} + A_2^U \cos 2\phi_{\perp} \right\} f_1^g(x, q_T^2) + \frac{q_T^2}{M_p^2} h_1^{\perp g}(x, q_T^2)$$

$$\times \left\{ B_0^U \cos 2\phi_T + B_1^U \cos(2\phi_T - \phi_{\perp}) + B_2^U \cos 2(\phi_T - \phi_{\perp}) + B_3^U \cos(2\phi_T - 3\phi_{\perp}) + B_4^U \cos 2(\phi_T - 2\phi_{\perp}) \right\}$$

The different contributions can be isolated by defining  

$$\langle W(\phi_{\perp}, \phi_{T}) \rangle = \frac{\int d\phi_{\perp} d\phi_{T} W(\phi_{\perp}, \phi_{T}) d\sigma}{\int d\phi_{\perp} d\phi_{T} d\sigma}, \quad W = \cos 2\phi_{T}, \cos 2(\phi_{\perp} - \phi_{T}), \dots$$



Positivity bound for 
$$h_1^{\perp g}$$
:  $|h_1^{\perp g}(x, p_T^2)| \leq \frac{2M_\rho^2}{p_T^2} f_1^g(x, p_T^2)$ 

It can be used to estimate maximal values of the asymmetries Asymmetries usually larger when Q and  $\overline{Q}$  have same rapidities

Upper bounds on  $R \equiv |\langle \cos 2(\phi_T - \phi_\perp) \rangle|$  and  $R' \equiv |\langle \cos 2\phi_T \rangle|$  at y = 0.01



CP, Boer, Brodsky, Buffing, Mulders, JHEP 1310 (2013) 024 Boer, Brodsky, Mulders, CP, PRL 106 (2011) 132001 TMDs in this process are WW-type at small-x (future pointing [++] gauge links)

WW  $f_1^g$  and  $h_1^{\perp g} \sim \ln 1/x$  as  $x \to 0$ : computable in a saturation (MV) models Dominguez *et al*, PRD **85** (2012) 045003 Metz, Zhou, PRD **84** (2011) 051503 McLerran, Venugopalan, PRD **49** (1994) 2233

Positivity bound of  $h_1^{\perp g}$  saturated only at large  $p_T$ ,  $\neq$  dipole case ([+-])



 $\begin{aligned} Q_{s0}^2 &= C_A/C_F \times 0.35 \text{ GeV}^2 \text{ at } x = 0.01 \\ \text{Based on a GBW model fit of HERA data} \\ \text{Golec-Biernat, Wüsthoff, PRD$ **59** $(1998) 014017} \\ \Lambda_{QCD} &= 0.2 \text{ GeV} \end{aligned}$ 

Numerically it has to be  $Q_{s0}^2 \ge 1.1 \times C_A \Lambda_{QCD}^2$  to satisfy the bound

## $h_1^{\perp g}$ in $ep \rightarrow e'Q\overline{Q}X$ MV model

•  $|\langle \cos 2\phi_T \rangle| \text{ vs } |\mathbf{q}_T| \text{ at } |\mathbf{K}_{\perp}| = 6 \text{ GeV and } y = 0.1$ 



•  $|\langle \cos 2(\phi_T - \phi_\perp) \rangle|$  vs  $|\mathbf{q}_T|$  at  $|\mathbf{K}_\perp| = 10$  GeV and y = 0.3





SSAs in 
$$ep^{\uparrow} 
ightarrow e'Q\overline{Q}X$$

Angular structure of the single polarized cross section for  $ep^{\uparrow} \rightarrow e' Q \overline{Q} X$ ,  $|q_{T}| \ll |K_{\perp}|$ 

$$d\sigma^{T} \propto \sin(\phi_{S} - \phi_{T}) \left[ A_{0}^{T} + A_{1}^{T} \cos \phi_{\perp} + A_{2}^{T} \cos 2\phi_{\perp} \right] f_{1T}^{\perp,g} + \cos(\phi_{S} - \phi_{T}) \left[ B_{0}^{T} \sin 2\phi_{T} + B_{1}^{T} \sin(2\phi_{T} - \phi_{\perp}) + B_{2}^{T} \sin(2\phi_{T} - \phi_{\perp}) + B_{3}^{T} \sin(2\phi_{T} - 3\phi_{\perp}) + B_{4}^{T} \sin(2\phi_{T} - 4\phi_{\perp}) \right] h_{1T}^{\perp,g} + \left[ B_{0}^{\prime,T} \sin(\phi_{S} + \phi_{T}) + B_{1}^{\prime,T} \sin(\phi_{S} + \phi_{T} - \phi_{\perp}) + B_{2}^{\prime,T} \sin(\phi_{S} + \phi_{T} - 2\phi_{\perp}) + B_{3}^{\prime,T} \sin(\phi_{S} + \phi_{T} - 3\phi_{\perp}) + B_{4}^{\prime,T} \sin(\phi_{S} + \phi_{T} - 4\phi_{\perp}) \right] h_{1T}^{g}$$

The  $\phi_S$  dependent terms can be singled out by means of azimuthal moments  $A_N^W$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{N}^{W(\phi_{S},\phi_{T})} &\equiv 2 \, \frac{\int \mathrm{d}\phi_{T} \, \mathrm{d}\phi_{\perp} \, W(\phi_{S},\phi_{T}) \, \mathrm{d}\sigma_{T}(\phi_{S},\phi_{T},\phi_{\perp})}{\int \mathrm{d}\phi_{T} \, \mathrm{d}\phi_{\perp} \, \mathrm{d}\sigma_{U}(\phi_{T},\phi_{\perp})} \\ \mathcal{A}_{N}^{\sin(\phi_{S}-\phi_{T})} &\propto \frac{f_{1T}^{\perp g}}{f_{1}^{g}} \qquad \mathcal{A}_{N}^{\sin(\phi_{S}+\phi_{T})} \propto \frac{h_{1}^{g}}{f_{1}^{g}} \qquad \mathcal{A}_{N}^{\sin(\phi_{S}-3\phi_{T})} \propto \frac{h_{1T}^{\perp g}}{f_{1}^{g}} \end{aligned}$$

Same modulations as in SIDIS for quark TMDs  $(\phi_T 
ightarrow \phi_h)$ 

Boer, Mulders, PRD D57 (1998) 5780

Omitted factors in 
$$A_N^{\sin(\phi_S - 3\phi_T)}$$
,  $A_N^{\sin(\phi_S + \phi_T)} \to 0$  if  $y \to 1$   $(x \to 0 \text{ if } s/Q^2 \to \infty)$ 

## SSAs in $ep^{\uparrow} \rightarrow e'Q\overline{Q}X$

 $\frac{A_N^{\sin(\phi_S - 3\phi_T)}}{A_N^{\sin(\phi_S + \phi_T)}} = -\frac{\mathbf{q}_T^2}{2M_\rho^2} \frac{h_{1T}^{\perp g}}{h_1^g} \text{ direct probe of the relative magnitude of the two TMDs}$ 

T-odd WW TMDs vanish at small-x (no MV), suppressed comp. to dipole ones Boer, Echevarria, Mulders, Zhou, PRL **116** (2016) 122001

Subleading terms important at moderate x, computed perturbatively in the collinear twist-three approach. Different scenarios for ratio of TMDs Boer, Mulders, CP, Zhou, ArXiv:1605.07934

Alternatively, azimuthal angles defined w.r.t.  $\phi_{\perp}$  instead of  $\phi_{\ell}$  (integrated over)  $A_N^{W_{\perp}}$  with  $W_{\perp} = \sin(\phi_S^{\perp} - \phi_T^{\perp})$ ,  $\sin(\phi_S^{\perp} + \phi_T^{\perp})$ ,  $\sin(\phi_S^{\perp} - 3\phi_T^{\perp})$ 

Positivity bounds of *T*-odd gluon TMDs used to estimate maximal SSAs

$$\frac{|\boldsymbol{p}_{\mathcal{T}}|}{M_{\rho}} |f_{1\mathcal{T}}^{\perp g}| \leq f_{1}^{g} \qquad \qquad \frac{|\boldsymbol{p}_{\mathcal{T}}|}{M_{\rho}} |h_{1}^{g}| \leq f_{1}^{g} \qquad \qquad \frac{|\boldsymbol{p}_{\mathcal{T}}|^{3}}{2M_{\rho}^{3}} |h_{1\mathcal{T}}^{\perp g}| \leq f_{1}^{g}$$

Upper bound of the Sivers asymmetries is 1

SSAs  $A_N^W$  and  $A_N^{W_\perp}$  in  $ep^\uparrow o e'Q\overline{Q}X$ Upper bounds

• Maximal values for  $|A_N^W|$ ,  $W = \sin(\phi_S + \phi_T)$ ,  $\sin(\phi_S - 3\phi_T)$  ( $|\mathbf{K}_{\perp}| = 1 \text{ GeV}$ )











SSAs  $A_N^W$  and  $A_N^{W_\perp}$  in  $ep^\uparrow o e'Q\,\overline{Q}X$ Upper bounds





Results can be obtained by taking  $M_Q=0$  in the expressions for  $ep
ightarrow e'Q\bar{Q}X$ 

Contribution to the denominator also from  $\gamma^* q \rightarrow gq$ , negligible at small-x

 $\langle \cos 2\phi_T \rangle$  and  $\langle \cos 2(\phi_T - \phi_\perp) \rangle$  in the MV model similar to  $c\bar{c}$  for  $Q^2 \ge 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ 

Upper bounds for  $A_N^W$  for  $K_\perp \ge 4$  GeV



Asymmetries much smaller than in  $c\bar{c}$  case for  $Q^2 \leq 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ 



### Complementary Processes

 $ep \rightarrow e'Q\overline{Q}X$ ,  $ep \rightarrow e'$  jet jet X probe gluon TMDs with [++] gauge links (WW)

 $pp \rightarrow \gamma \operatorname{jet} X$  probes an entirely independent gluon TMD: [+-] links (dipole)

### **Related Processes**

In  $pp \rightarrow \gamma \gamma X$  and/or other CS final state: gluon TMDs have [--] gauge links Qiu, Schlegel, Vogelsang, PRL **107** (2011) 062001

Analogue of the sign change of  $f_{1T}^{\perp q}$  between SIDIS and DY (true also for  $h_1^g$  and  $h_{1T}^{\perp g}$ )

$$f_{1T}^{\perp g \, [e \, p^{\uparrow} \rightarrow e' \, Q \overline{Q} \, X]} = - f_{1T}^{\perp g \, [p^{\uparrow} \, p \rightarrow \gamma \, \gamma \, X]}$$

Motivation to study the gluon Sivers effect at RHIC and AFTER@LHC Talk by J.P. Lansberg

T-even gluon TMDs probed in DIS are the same as in  $pp \rightarrow H/\eta_{c,b}/...X$ 

$$h_1^{\perp g [e p \to e' Q\overline{Q}X]} = h_1^{\perp g [p p \to HX]}$$

TMD observables at EIC and LHC can be either related or complementary

- Azimuthal asymmetries in heavy quark pair and dijet production in DIS could probe WW-type gluon TMDs (similar to SIDIS for quark TMDs)
- Asymmetries maximally allowed by positivity bounds of gluon TMDs can be sizeable in specific kinematic region
- Study of TMDs in the small-x region: effects of linearly polarized gluons still sizeable, ratio of T-odd TMDs can test our model expectations
- Different behaviour of WW and dipole gluon TMDs accessible at RHIC could be tested experimentally
- Such observables could be part of both the *spin* and the *small-x* program at a future EIC

