

Double Inclusive Gluon Production in a Biased Ensemble



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Introduction

The double gluon inclusive production cross section is computed in a re-weighted ("biased") ensemble of small-x color fields. In particular, we obtain the cross section and the azimuthal harmonics for target configurations corresponding to an increased gluon density from $k_T=\Lambda$ to $k_T=Q$.

Biased Ensemble

Calculating small-x observables with an average over a biased ensemble:

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_b = \int \mathcal{D}\rho W[\rho] b[\rho] \mathcal{O}[\rho]$$

The bias can be written in terms of the covariant gauge gluon distribution:

$$b[X] \equiv \exp \left(\int \frac{d^2\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^2} t(\vec{k}) X(\vec{k}) \right)$$

$$X(\vec{k}) \equiv g^2 \text{tr} A^+(\vec{k}) A^+(-\vec{k})$$

Constraint Effective Potential

We integrate out fluctuations which do not affect the covariant gauge gluon distribution

$$\int \mathcal{D}\rho \delta \left(X(\vec{k}) - \frac{g^4}{k^4} \text{tr} \rho(\vec{k}) \rho(-\vec{k}) \right) W[\rho] = e^{-V_{\text{eff}}[X]}$$

Assuming Gaussian fluctuations of the color charge density,

$$W[\rho] = \exp \left[- \int \frac{d^2\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{\rho(\vec{k}) \rho(-\vec{k})}{\mu^2(\vec{k})} \right]$$

one obtains the effective potential

$$V_{\text{eff}}[X(\vec{k})] = \int \frac{d^2k}{(2\pi)^2} \left[\frac{k^4}{g^4 \mu^2(k)} X(\vec{k}) - \frac{1}{2} A_{\perp} N_c^2 \log X(\vec{k}) \right]$$

The bias

$$t(\vec{k}) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\eta(\vec{k})} \right) \frac{k^4}{g^4 \mu^2(k)}$$

leads to the biased gluon distribution, at the stationary point,

$$X(\vec{k}) = \eta(\vec{k}) X_s(k^2)$$

$$X_s(k^2) = \frac{1}{2} N_c^2 A_{\perp} \frac{g^4 \mu^2(k)}{k^4}$$

Two Gluon Inclusive Cross Section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_p d^2p dy_q d^2q} = 16 N_c^2 (N_c^2 - 1) g^{12} \frac{A_{\perp} \Lambda^2}{p^4 q^4 \Lambda^4} \frac{\mu_T^4 \mu_B^4}{(2\pi)^2} (\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B} + \mathcal{C})$$

\vec{p}, \vec{q} are the small x gluon transverse momenta

Λ is an infrared cutoff for Glasma graphs

\mathcal{A} is proportional to the squared uncorrelated cross section

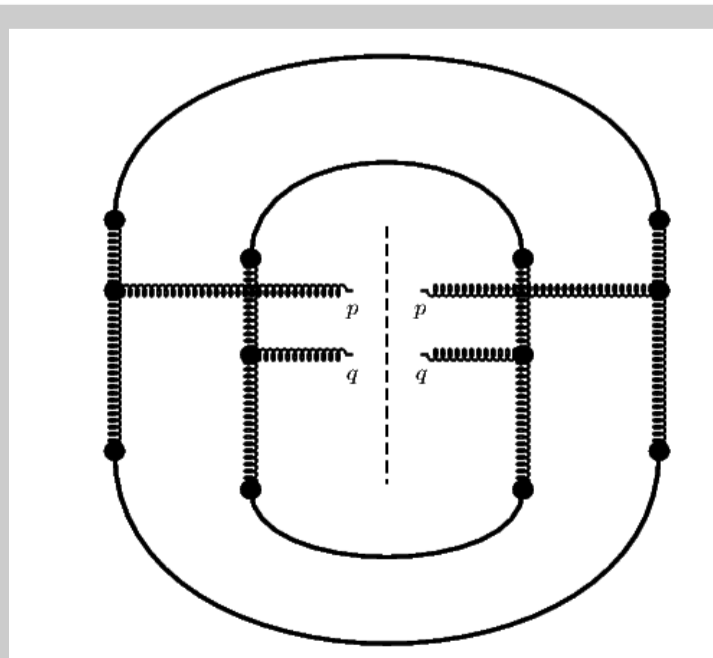
\mathcal{C} are the HBT like contributions $\sim \delta^2(\vec{p} \pm \vec{q})$ (not calculated here)

\mathcal{B} is the rest of the cross section

We'll calculate the angularly averaged cross section (where the angle is between the produced gluons):

$$\langle e^{in\phi} \rangle = \frac{\int \frac{d\sigma}{dy_p d^2p dy_q d^2q} e^{in\phi} d\phi}{\int \frac{d\sigma}{dy_p d^2p dy_q d^2q} d\phi}$$

Independent Production

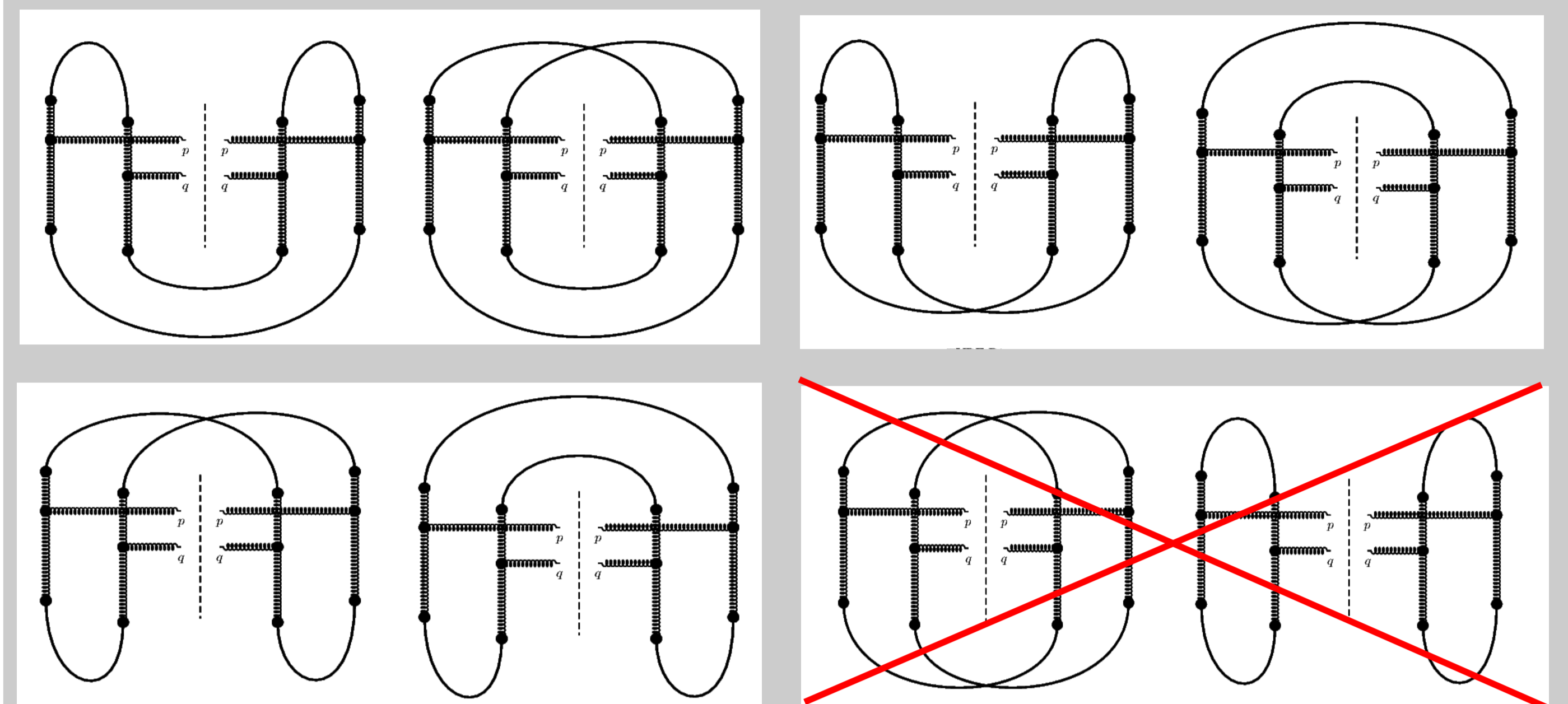


$$\mathcal{A} \propto \frac{(N_c^2 - 1) A_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{\Lambda^2}^{\infty} d^2\vec{k}_1 \Phi_P(\vec{k}_1) \Phi_T(\vec{k}_1 - \vec{p}) \cdot \int_{\Lambda^2}^{\infty} d^2\vec{k}_2 \Phi_P(\vec{k}_2) \Phi_T(\vec{k}_2 - \vec{q})$$

Where

$$\Phi(\vec{k}) = \frac{g^2 \mu^2}{k^2} \frac{X(\vec{k})}{X_s(k^2)}$$

Correlated Production; Glasma Graphs



$$\mathcal{B} \propto \int_{\Lambda^2}^{\infty} d^2\vec{k} \Phi_T(\vec{k} - \vec{p}) \Phi_P(\vec{k}) \left[\Phi_P(\vec{k}) \Phi_T(\vec{k} - \vec{q}) + \Phi_T(\vec{k} - \vec{p}) \Phi_P(\vec{k} - \vec{p} - \vec{q}) + \frac{1}{8} \Phi_T(\vec{k} - \vec{p}) \Phi_P(\vec{k} - \vec{p} - \vec{q}) \frac{f(\vec{k}, \vec{p}, \vec{q})}{(\vec{k} - \vec{p} - \vec{q})^2 k^2 (\vec{k} - \vec{q})^2} + (\vec{q} \rightarrow -\vec{q}) \right]$$

$$f(\vec{k}, \vec{p}, \vec{q}) = \left[k^2 (\vec{k} - \vec{q})^2 + (\vec{p} + \vec{q} - \vec{k})^2 (\vec{p} - \vec{k})^2 - p^2 (2\vec{k} - \vec{q} - \vec{p})^2 \right] \cdot \left[(\vec{p} + \vec{q} - \vec{k})^2 (\vec{k} - \vec{q})^2 + k^2 (\vec{p} - \vec{k})^2 - q^2 (2\vec{k} - \vec{q} - \vec{p})^2 \right]$$

Unbiased Ensemble: $\eta(\vec{k}) = 1$

The LLA cross section (keeping the leading angular and non-angular terms):

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_p d^2p dy_q d^2q} \approx 16 N_c^2 (N_c^2 - 1) g^{12} \frac{S_{\perp}}{p^4 q^4 \Lambda^2} \frac{\mu_T^4 \mu_B^4}{(2\pi)^2} \left[(N_c^2 - 1) (S_{\perp} \Lambda^2) \log \left(\frac{p^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \log \left(\frac{q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) + 2\pi \log \left(\frac{\ell^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{(\vec{q} - \vec{p})^2} + \frac{\Lambda^2}{(\vec{q} + \vec{p})^2} \right) \left(\frac{q^2}{p^2} + \frac{p^2}{q^2} \right) \right]$$

where $\ell^2 = \min[p^2, q^2, (\vec{p} \pm \vec{q})^2]$. The azimuthal harmonics are

$$\langle e^{2n\phi} \rangle \approx \frac{4\pi}{(N_c^2 - 1) S_{\perp}} \frac{1}{|p^2 - q^2|} \frac{q_{>}^{2n}}{q_{<}^{2n}} \left(\frac{q^2}{p^2} + \frac{p^2}{q^2} \right) \frac{\log \left(\frac{\ell^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)}{\log \left(\frac{p^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \log \left(\frac{q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)}$$

Boosting the gluon density between Λ and Q

$$\eta(\vec{k}) = 1 + \eta_0 \Theta(Q^2 - k^2) \Theta(k^2 - \Lambda^2)$$

η_0 is a dimensionless parameter, Q is a momentum cutoff

The cross section for $Q^2 \gg p^2, q^2, (\vec{p} \pm \vec{q})^2$ is

$$\left[\frac{d\sigma}{dy_p d^2p dy_q d^2q} \right]_b = (1 + \eta_0)^2 \left[\frac{d\sigma}{dy_p d^2p dy_q d^2q} \right]_{\text{unb.}}$$

For $\Lambda^2 \ll Q^2 \ll p^2, q^2, (\vec{p} \pm \vec{q})^2$ the cross section is

$$\left[\frac{d\sigma}{dy_p d^2p dy_q d^2q} \right]_b \approx 16 N_c^2 (N_c^2 - 1) g^{12} \frac{S_{\perp}}{p^4 q^4 \Lambda^2} \frac{\mu_T^4 \mu_B^4}{(2\pi)^2} \left[(N_c^2 - 1) (S_{\perp} \Lambda^2) \left(\log \frac{p^2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{\eta_0}{2} \log \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\log \frac{q^2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{\eta_0}{2} \log \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) + 2\pi \left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{(\vec{q} - \vec{p})^2} + \frac{\Lambda^2}{(\vec{q} + \vec{p})^2} \right) \left(\frac{q^2}{p^2} + \frac{p^2}{q^2} \right) \left(\log \frac{\ell^2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{\eta_0}{2} \log \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) + \frac{\pi}{8} \eta_0^2 \left(\frac{\Lambda^2 Q^2}{(\vec{p} - \vec{q})^4} + \frac{\Lambda^2 Q^2}{(\vec{p} + \vec{q})^4} \right) \right]$$

The elliptic anisotropy is

$$\langle e^{2\phi} \rangle_b \approx \frac{4\pi}{(N_c^2 - 1) S_{\perp}} \frac{1}{|p^2 - q^2|} \frac{q_{>}^2}{q_{<}^2} \left(\frac{q^2}{p^2} + \frac{p^2}{q^2} \right) \frac{\left(\log \frac{\ell^2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{\eta_0}{2} \log \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) + \frac{\eta_0^2}{16} \frac{Q^2}{(p^2 - q^2)^2} (3q_{>}^2 - q_{<}^2)}{\left(\log \frac{p^2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{\eta_0}{2} \log \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\log \frac{q^2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{\eta_0}{2} \log \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)}$$

The choice of η_0 also determines the excess gluon multiplicity,

$$\Delta N_g \approx \frac{1}{8\pi} N_c^2 (S_{\perp} \Lambda^2) \eta_0 \log \left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

as well as the probability of such a gluon distribution in the unbiased ensemble,

$$-\log P[\eta(\vec{k})] = V_{\text{eff}}[\eta(\vec{k})] \approx \frac{1}{8\pi} N_c^2 (S_{\perp} \Lambda^2) \eta_0 \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

Outlook

We will extend the above to other biases (k dependent and anisotropic ones) and relate the parameters η_0 and Q^2 of the biased gluon distribution to observable quantities such as dN/dy and $\langle p_T \rangle$.

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