Energy, momentum and stresses in hadrons

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Introduction

- The energy-momentum tensor (EMT) is an operator characterizing the distribution and flow of energy and momentum.
- Matrix elements between hadronic states characterize coveted properties of hadrons:
 - The distribution & decomposition of energy.
 - The distribution & decomposition of momentum.
 - The distribution & decomposition of internal stresses



The canonical EMT

• Canonical EMT: via Noether's first theorem & global spacetime translations.

$$\begin{split} \hat{T}_{\text{can.}}^{\mu\nu}(x) &= \sum_{q} \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \partial_{\mu} q(x)} \partial^{\mu} q(x) + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \partial_{\mu} A_{\lambda}(x)} \partial^{\nu} A_{\lambda}(x) - g^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{L} \\ &= \sum_{q} \left\{ \bar{q}(x) i \gamma^{\mu} \overleftarrow{D}^{\nu} q(x) \right\} - 2 \text{Tr} \left[G^{\mu\lambda} \partial^{\nu} A_{\lambda} \right] + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \text{Tr} \left[G^{\lambda\sigma} G_{\lambda\sigma} \right] \end{split}$$

- $x^{\mu} \mapsto x^{\mu} + \xi^{\mu}$
- $S_{\text{QCD}} \mapsto S_{\text{QCD}}$
- $\partial_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu}_{\rm can} = 0.$
- Mot symmetric: $T^{\mu\nu}_{\text{can.}} \neq T^{\nu\mu}_{\text{can.}}$
- Not gauge-invariant.

The Belinfante-Rosenfeld EMT

• Belinfante EMT: add trivially conserved "superpotential" to canonical EMT.

$$\hat{T}_{\text{Bel}}^{\mu\nu}(x) = \sum_{q} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}(x) i \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu\}} q(x) \right\} - 2 \text{Tr} \left[G^{\mu\lambda} G^{\nu}{}_{\lambda} \right] + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \text{Tr} \left[G^{\lambda\sigma} G_{\lambda\sigma} \right]$$

- $T_{\text{Bel}}^{\mu\nu} = T_{\text{can}}^{\mu\nu} + \partial_{\sigma} \Lambda^{\sigma\mu\nu}.$
- $\Lambda^{\sigma\mu\nu} = -\Lambda^{\mu\sigma\nu}$
- $\partial_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu}_{\text{Bel}} = 0.$
- Symmetric: $T_{\text{Bel}}^{\mu\nu} = T_{\text{Bel}}^{\nu\mu}$
- Gauge-invariant.
- Any $\Lambda^{\sigma\mu\nu} = -\Lambda^{\mu\sigma\nu}$ produces a "valid" EMT—why this one?

The Hilbert EMT

• Hilbert EMT: functional derivative of action with respect to metric:

$$\hat{T}_{\text{Hil}}^{\mu\nu}(x) = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta S_{\text{QCD}}}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}(x)} \\ = \sum_{q} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}(x) i \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu\}} q(x) \right\} - 2 \text{Tr} \left[G^{\mu\lambda} G^{\nu}{}_{\lambda} \right] + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \text{Tr} \left[G^{\lambda\sigma} G_{\lambda\sigma} \right]$$

- $\partial_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu}_{\text{Hil}} = 0.$
- Symmetric: $T_{\text{Hil}}^{\mu\nu} = T_{\text{Hil}}^{\nu\mu}$
- Gauge-invariant.
- In Belinfante procedure, can choose $\Lambda^{\sigma\mu\nu}$ to give Hilbert EMT.
- Why use Noether's (first) theorem if Hilbert procedure gives the right EMT?
 - Transformation properties of separate fields allow **energy & spin decomposition**.
 - But what's the decomposition of the added terms?

Noether's theorems revisited

• Conserved current from *local* spacetime translations (Noether's second theorem):

$$\hat{T}_{\rm QCD}^{\mu\nu}(x) = \sum_{q} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}(x) i \gamma^{\{\mu} \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu\}} q(x) \right\} - 2 \operatorname{Tr} \left[G^{\mu\lambda} G^{\nu}{}_{\lambda} \right] + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \operatorname{Tr} \left[G^{\lambda\sigma} G_{\lambda\sigma} \right]$$

- $x^{\mu} \mapsto x^{\mu} + \xi^{\mu}(x)$
- $S_{\text{QCD}} \mapsto S_{\text{QCD}}$
- $\partial_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu}_{\text{QCD}} = 0.$
- $T^{\mu\nu}_{\rm QCD} = T^{\nu\mu}_{\rm QCD}$
- Gauge-invariant



AF, Phys. Rev. D 106 (2022) 125012

• Guaranteed to coincide with Hilbert EMT—equivalent to transforming metric.

• Transformation properties of separate fields allow **energy & spin decomposition**. (future work!)

Form factors of the EMT

- EMT matrix elements give gravitational form factors (GFFs).
 - It's just a name.
 - EMT is the source of gravitation: $G^{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g^{\mu\nu} = 8\pi T^{\mu\nu}$
 - But we don't really use gravitation to measure them.
- Analogy to electromagnetic form factors.
- Spin-zero example:

$$\langle p'|\hat{J}^{\mu}(0)|p\rangle = 2P^{\mu}F(t)$$

$$\langle p'|\hat{T}^{\mu\nu}(0)|p\rangle = 2P^{\mu}P^{\nu}A(t) + \frac{1}{2}(\Delta^{\mu}\Delta^{\nu} - \Delta^{2}g^{\mu\nu})D(t)$$

- $\bullet~A(t)$ encodes momentum density
- D(t) encodes stress distributions (anisotropic pressures)
- Mix of both encodes **energy density**



How to get the GFFs

- Hard exclusive reactions are used to measure GFFs—not gravity experiments.
 - Deeply virtual Compton scattering (DVCS) to probe quark structure.
 - Deeply virtual meson production (DVMP), e.g., J/ψ or Υ to probe gluon structure.
 - ...and more!
- Measured at Jefferson Lab and the upcoming Electron Ion Collider.



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- GFFs are related to **generalized parton distributions** (GPDs) through Mellin moments—spin-zero example:

$$\int_{-1}^{1} \mathrm{d}x \, x H_a(x,\xi,t) = A_a(t) + \xi^2 D_a(t)$$



Components of the EMT

$$T^{\mu\nu}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} T^{00}(x) & T^{01}(x) & T^{02}(x) & T^{03}(x) \\ T^{10}(x) & T^{11}(x) & T^{12}(x) & T^{13}(x) \\ T^{20}(x) & T^{21}(x) & T^{22}(x) & T^{23}(x) \\ T^{30}(x) & T^{31}(x) & T^{32}(x) & T^{33}(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Momentum densities (or energy fluxes)
- Energy density
- Stress tensor (or momentum fluxes)

• Angular momentum densities accessible too:

$$J_i(x) = \epsilon_{ijk} \left(x^j T^{0k}(x) - x^k T^{0j}(x) \right)$$

...basically, from $\mathbf{x}\times\mathbf{p}$

- For physical states, mixture of internal structure & wave packet dependence.
 - Removing wave packet dependence is tricky.
 - Several schemes for dealing with this exist.

Breit frame densities

• Breit frame densities most common approach.

$$T_{\rm BF}^{\mu\nu}(\boldsymbol{x}) \equiv \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^3\boldsymbol{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\langle \boldsymbol{q}/2 | \hat{T}^{\mu\nu}(\boldsymbol{x}) | - \boldsymbol{q}/2 \rangle}{2\sqrt{m^2 + \boldsymbol{q}^2/4}}$$

- Original derivation by Sachs erroneous (see Miller, PRC99 (2019) 035202)
- More recent justification by Lorcé et al., EPJC 79 (2019) 89
- Example: spin-zero energy density and stress tensor

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{E}(\boldsymbol{x}) &= m \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\boldsymbol{q}}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\boldsymbol{q}^{2}/4m^{2}}} \left\{ A(-\boldsymbol{q}^{2}) + \frac{\boldsymbol{q}^{2}}{4m^{2}} \Big(A(-\boldsymbol{q}^{2}) + D(-\boldsymbol{q}^{2}) \Big) \right\} e^{-i\boldsymbol{q}\cdot\boldsymbol{x}} \\ T^{ij}(\boldsymbol{x}) &= m \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\boldsymbol{q}}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\boldsymbol{q}^{2}/4m^{2}}} \left(\frac{q^{i}q^{j}-\boldsymbol{q}^{2}\delta^{ij}}{2} \right) D(-\boldsymbol{q}^{2}) e^{-i\boldsymbol{q}\cdot\boldsymbol{x}} \end{split}$$

See Polyakov & Schweitzer, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 33 (2018) for a great review

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Multipole moment densities

- Consider hadron as a *medium* & wave function as an arbitrary test function
 - Newer idea due to Yang Li et al., PLB 838 (2023) 137676
 - Hadron has potential to contribute to monopole, dipole, etc. densities.
 - Each of these is an intrinsic property!
- Breit frame density emerges as *leading*, **monopole** term in infinite expansion:

$$T^{\mu\nu}(\boldsymbol{x},t) = \int \mathrm{d}^{3}\boldsymbol{R}\,\mathcal{P}(\boldsymbol{R},t)T^{\mu\nu}_{\mathrm{BF}}(\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{R}) + \dots$$

• Higher-order (e.g. quadrupole) densities negligible if packet width $\geq \lambda_C$. see AF & Miller, 2210.03807



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Light front coordinates

• Stark contrast to the non-relativistic case, where:

$$\rho_{\rm phys}(\mathbf{x},t) = \int d^3 \mathbf{R} \left| \Psi_{\rm bar}(\mathbf{R},t) \right|^2 \rho_{\rm internal}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{R})$$

- The simplicity owes to the **Galilean symmetry** of non-relativistic physics.
- But the Poincaré group has a Galilean subgroup!
- Light front coordinates exploit this subgroup to simplify densities.

$$x^{\pm} = \frac{t \pm z}{\sqrt{2}}$$
 $\mathbf{x}_{\perp} = (x, y)$ $\tau = x^{+} = \text{time}$

Light front coordinates



Light front: Myths and Facts

- Myth: Light front coordinates are a reference frame.
- Fact: Light front coordinates can be employed in any reference frame.
- Myth: Light front coordinates describe the perspective of light.
- Fact: Light front coordinates describe *our* perspective.
 - ...but only in the z direction!
 - Light has no perspective.
- Myth: Light front coordinates come from boosting to infinite momentum.
- Fact: Light front coordinates come from redefining:
 - **1** Simultaneity
 - **2** What we mean by *boosting*
 - (a) How we break the Poincaré group into generators (Galilean subgroup)

Light front & time synchronization

${\rm Light\ front\ } redefines\ simultaneity$

- Fixed $x^+ = \frac{t+z}{\sqrt{2}}$ means simultaneous
- Look in the $+\hat{z}$ direction...
 - Whatever you see *right now*, is **happening** *right now*.
 - Only true for $+\hat{z}$ direction though.
- Light front coordinates are what we see.
 - ...at least in one fixed direction.
 - (great for small systems—hadrons!)
 - Not what light "sees."

More info AF & Miller, arxiv:2302.09171



Terrell rotations

- Lorentz-boosted objects appear *rotated*.
 - Terrell rotation
 - Optical effect: contraction + delay
- Light front transverse boost *undoes* Terrell rotation:

$$B_x^{(\rm LF)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Big(K_x - J_y \Big)$$

- Combination of ordinary boost + rotation!
- Leaves x^+ (time) invariant!
- Changes p_z , but leaves p^+ invariant:

$$P^{+} = \frac{E + p_{z}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{p_{z}^{2} + \mathbf{p}_{\perp}^{2} + M^{2}} + p_{z}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

• Dice images by Ute Kraus, https://www.spacetimetravel.org/



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Galilean subgroup

- Poincaré group has a (2 + 1)D Galilean subgroup.
 - x^+ is time and \mathbf{x}_{\perp} is space under this subgroup.
 - x^- can be integrated out.
 - $P^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(E_{\mathbf{p}} + p_z)$ is the central charge.
 - x^+ and P^+ are invariant under this subgroup!
- Basically, light front coordinates should give a **fully relativistic** 2D picture that looks like *non-relativistic* physics.
 - But with P^+ in place of M. $\frac{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{P}_{\perp}}{\mathrm{d}x^+} = P^+ \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{x}_{\perp}}{\mathrm{d}x^{+2}}$ $H = P^- = H_{\mathrm{rest}} + \frac{\mathbf{P}_{\perp}^2}{2P^+}$ $\mathbf{v}_{\perp} = \frac{\mathbf{P}_{\perp}}{P^+}$

The cost: lose one spatial dimension (2D densities).



Galilean group and densities

• Physical densities given by expectation values:

$$\rho_{\rm phys}(x^+, \mathbf{x}_\perp) = \int \mathrm{d}x^- \langle \Psi | \hat{\rho}_{\rm op.}(x) | \Psi \rangle$$

- Galilean subgroup means **barycentric position** and **impact parameter** dependence can be separated.
 - Allows wave packet dependence to be factored out.
 - Instant form coordinates **do not** have this luxury!
- Simple densities:

$$\rho_{\rm phys}(x^+, \mathbf{x}_{\perp}) = \int d^2 \mathbf{R}_{\perp} \left| \Psi(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^+) \right|^2 \rho_{\rm internal}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{R}_{\perp})$$

• Compound densities:

$$\rho_{\rm phys}(x^+, \mathbf{x}_{\perp}) = \int d^2 \mathbf{R}_{\perp} \left\{ S_{\Psi}^{(1)}(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^+) \rho_{\rm int.}^{(1)}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{R}_{\perp}) + S_{\Psi}^{(2)}(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^+) \rho_{\rm int.}^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{R}_{\perp}) \right\}$$

Components of the EMT: light front case

$$T^{\mu\nu}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} T^{++}(x) & T^{+1}(x) & T^{+2}(x) & T^{+-}(x) \\ T^{1+}(x) & T^{11}(x) & T^{12}(x) & T^{1-}(x) \\ T^{2+}(x) & T^{21}(x) & T^{22}(x) & T^{2-}(x) \\ T^{-+}(x) & T^{-1}(x) & T^{-2}(x) & T^{--}(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Momentum densities
- Energy density
- Stress tensor
- ...and some other things
- Angular momentum density (z component) accessible too:

$$J_z(x) = x^1 T^{+2}(x) - x^2 T^{+1}(x)$$

…basically, from $\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{p}$

- Physical meaning of all 16 components clear in **tilted light front coordinates**.
 - First defined in Blunden, Burkardt, & Miller, PRC61 (2000) 025026
 - Implications for electromagnetic densities in AF & Miller, arxiv:2302.09171

(EMT in tilted coordinates is still a work in progress though)

Light front momentum densities

• **Physical** P^+ density is a simple density:

$$T_{\rm phys}^{++}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}) = P^{+} \int \mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{R}_{\perp} \left| \Psi(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^{+}) \right|^{2} T_{\rm int.}^{++}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{R}_{\perp})$$

• Transverse momentum density involves *same internal density*:

$$\mathbf{T}_{\mathrm{phys}}^{+i}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}) = \int \mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{R}_{\perp}\Psi^{*}(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^{+}) \frac{-i\overleftarrow{\nabla}_{\perp}^{i}}{2}\Psi(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^{+})T_{\mathrm{int.}}^{++}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{R}_{\perp})$$

- But a different smearing function
- Internal density is simple Fourier transform:

$$T_{\rm int.}^{++}(\mathbf{b}_{\perp}) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{\langle p', \mathbf{s}_{\perp} | \hat{T}^{++}(0) | p, \mathbf{s}_{\perp} \rangle}{2(P^+)^2} e^{-i\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{b}_{\perp}}$$

• Internal structure has polarization dependence.

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Light front momentum density

• P^+ density is a 2D Fourier transform:

$$\rho_{P^+}^{(\mathrm{LF})}(\mathbf{b}_{\perp}, \mathbf{s}_{\perp}) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \Delta_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{\langle p', \mathbf{s}_{\perp} | T^{++}(0) | p, \mathbf{s}_{\perp} \rangle}{2(P^+)^2} e^{-i\Delta_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{b}_{\perp}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Helicity state}}{\stackrel{\text{Helicity state}}{}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Works for any polarization state.}}{_{(5,0)}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Boost invariance: } \mathbf{P}_{\perp} \text{ independent!}}{_{(2,1,2,0)}}$$

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Spin-one targets Helicity +1

Helicity 0



 P^+ density depends on helicity for spin-one targets. AF & Wim Cosyn, PRD106 (2022) 114013

Transverse polarization Transverse, $m_s = +1$



Transverse polarization contains helicity-flip contributions. AF & Wim Cosyn, PRD106 (2022) 114013

Transverse, $m_s = 0$

Why $\sin \phi$ modulations?



- Light takes a finite time to move across deuteron.
- Deuteron spins in the meantime.
- Greater density if spin is against light front.
- Distortion is what we actually see (even if stationary!).

More info AF & Miller, arxiv:2302.09171

Energy density

• Light front energy density is a *compound density*:

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\rm phys}^{+-}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}) &= \frac{1}{2P^+} \int \mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{R}_{\perp} \Big\{ \Big| \Psi(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^+) \Big|^2 T_{\rm int.}^{+-}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{R}_{\perp}) \\ &- \Psi^*(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^+) \frac{\overleftarrow{\nabla}_{\perp}^2}{4} \Psi(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^+) T_{\rm int.}^{++}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{R}_{\perp}) \Big\} \end{aligned}$$

- First piece is true intrinsic energy density
 - Quark mass energy
 - Quark kinetic energy (relative to barycenter)
 - Potential energy & internal stresses
 - Literally the density of the $2P^+P^- \mathbf{P}_{\perp}^2$ operator used by light front folks!
- Second piece is **barycentric kinetic energy**
 - It's literally just the $\mathbf{P}_{\perp}^2/(2P^+)$ density
 - Tells us nothing about internal dynamics
 - Galilean subgroup allows us to isolate it

Example densities from holographic model



Charge and momentum

Energy

Using soft wall holographic model of Brodsky & de Teramond, PRD77 (2008) 056007

Stress

• Stress tensor is also a *compound density*:

$$\begin{split} T^{ij}_{\rm phys}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}) &= \frac{1}{P^+} \int \mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{R}_{\perp} \Big\{ \Big| \Psi(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^+) \Big|^2 T^{ij}_{\rm int.}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{R}_{\perp}) \\ &- \Psi^*(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^+) \frac{\overleftarrow{\nabla}^i_{\perp} \overleftarrow{\nabla}^j_{\perp}}{4} \Psi(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^+) T^{++}_{\rm int.}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{R}_{\perp}) \Big\} \end{split}$$

- First piece is true intrinsic stress tensor
 - Stresses seen by comoving observer
 - Static pressures
- Second piece is stresses from hadron flow
 - Includes motion of hadron
 - Includes wave function dispersion
- Sum of both gives dynamic pressures

Stress tensor and hadron flow

- Compound form of stress tensor mimics classical continuum mechanics
- In Galilean theory (eg light front):

 $T^{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}, \nabla \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{v}^i \mathbf{v}^j \rho(\mathbf{x}) + T^{ij}_{\text{pure}}(\mathbf{x}, \nabla \mathbf{v})$

- $\mathbf{v}^i \mathbf{v}^j \rho(\mathbf{x})$ depends on wave packet.
- Comoving stress tensor:

$$S^{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \nabla \mathbf{v}) = T^{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v} = 0, \nabla \mathbf{v})$$

- Stresses seen by comoving obsever
- True internal structure of hadron



Example: spin-zero with form factors

• Full stress tensor:

$$\frac{1}{2P^+} \langle p' | \hat{T}^{ij}(0) | p \rangle = P^+ \frac{\mathbf{P}_{\perp}^i}{P^+} \frac{\mathbf{P}_{\perp}^j}{P^+} A(t) + \frac{1}{4P^+} \Big(\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^i \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^j - \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^2 \delta^{ij} \Big) D(t)$$

• Hadron flow:

$$V_{\rm LF}^{ij}(\mathbf{b}_{\perp}) = \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{P}_{\perp}^{i}}{P^{+}} \frac{\mathbf{P}_{\perp}^{j}}{P^{+}} \right\rangle P^{+} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{2} \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^{2}} A(t) e^{-i\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{b}_{\perp}}$$

• Pure stress tensor:

$$S_{\rm LF}^{ij}(\mathbf{b}_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{4P^+} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \Big(\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^i \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^j - \delta^{ij} \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^2 \Big) D(t) e^{-i\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{b}_{\perp}}$$

• Only **D-term** appears in internal stresses.

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Comoving stress tensor, D-term, & intrinsic stresses

• General spins: comoving stress tensor *defines* effective **D-term**.

$$S_{\rm LF}^{ij}(\mathbf{b}_{\perp},\mathbf{s}_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{4P^+} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \Big(\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^i \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^j - \delta^{ij} \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^2 \Big) D_{\rm eff}(\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp},\mathbf{s}_{\perp}) e^{-i\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}\cdot\mathbf{b}_{\perp}}$$

• D-term encodes intrinsic stresses, or comoving stresses.

• Stresses as seen by observer moving with flow (like a leaf on a river)



Pressures and eigenpressures

• Pressures from **matrix elements**:

 $p_{\hat{n}}(b_{\perp}) = \hat{n}_i \hat{n}_j S_{\rm LF}^{ij}(\mathbf{b}_{\perp})$

- \hat{n} : normal to pressure gauge
- Two **eigenpressures**:

 $S_{\rm LF}^{ij}(\mathbf{b}_{\perp})\hat{n}_j = \lambda_n(b_{\perp})\hat{n}_i$

- Pressure is isotropic *if and only if* eigenpressures are degenerate!
- Anisotropic pressures in general.
- Meaning of sign?
 - **Positive**: gauge is pushed from both sides.
 - **Negative**: gauge is pulled from both sides.



Proton's eigenpressures

Tangential



- Helicity proton (spin in \hat{z} direction)
- Tripole model with f_2 and σ poles
- Streses that are eigenvalues of stress tensor
- **Positive radial pressure** related to D(t) < 0.
- **Polyakov's conjecture**: D(0) < 0 is necessary for stability.

Momentum conservation and force balance

• Conservation law from Noether's theorem:

$$\partial_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu}(x) = 0$$

• Additional **force balance** equation:

$$\mathbf{F}_{\perp}^{j}(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla_{\perp i} S^{ij}(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$



- Force density acting on a hadron is everywhere zero.
 - The hadron is in equilibrium.
 - The hadron is not being acted on by outside forces.
 - Pressure plots are not net force plots!

Pion pressures and energy density

• Stress tensor and energy density are compound densities.

• Internal (pure) densities given by 2D Fourier transforms:

$$\begin{split} T^{ij}_{\text{pure}}(\mathbf{b}_{\perp}) &= \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^i \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^j - \delta^{ij} \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^2}{2} D(-\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^2) e^{-i\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{b}_{\perp}} \\ \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{b}_{\perp}) &= \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \left(m_{\pi}^2 - \frac{\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^2}{4} \right) A(-\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp}^2) e^{-i\mathbf{\Delta}_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{b}_{\perp}} - \delta_{ij} T^{ij}_{\text{pure}}(\mathbf{b}_{\perp}) \end{split}$$

• Phenomenological form factors:

$$A(t) = \frac{1}{1 - t/m_{f_2}^2} \qquad \qquad m_{f_2} = 1270 \text{ MeV}$$
$$D(t) = \frac{-1}{(1 - t/m_{f_2}^2)(1 - t/m_{\sigma}^2)} \qquad \qquad m_{\sigma} = 630 \text{ MeV}$$

- Forms inspired by Masjuan et al [PRD87 (2013) 014005]
- Poles chosen to match Kumano's radii [PRD97 (2018) 014020]
- AF & Gerald Miller arxiv:2210.03807 for more info!



Simple densities and wave packet localization

• Simple densities:

$$\rho_{\rm phys}(x^+, \mathbf{x}_{\perp}) = \int d^2 \mathbf{R}_{\perp} \left| \Psi(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}, x^+) \right|^2 \rho_{\rm internal}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp} - \mathbf{R}_{\perp})$$

• Localization at $x^+ = 0$ means:

$$\left|\Psi(\mathbf{R}_{\perp},0)\right|^2 \to \delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{R}_{\perp}), \qquad \qquad \rho_{\rm phys}(0,\mathbf{x}_{\perp}) \to \rho_{\rm internal}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp})$$

- Common practice has thus been to localize to isolate internal densities.
 - $\bullet\,$ Burkardt & Diehl pioneered this idea for light front densities

Int. J. Mod. Phys. A18 (2003) 173, Eur.Phys.J.C 25 (2002) 223-232

- Works in the cases they considered ...
- ...but fails for compound densities.



Pion energy and wave packet localization Internal energy Physical energy (packet dependent)

- Energy density is a compound density.
- Localized packets do not give internal density in this case.
- Packet localization only works for simple densities.

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Conclusions & outlook



- The energy-momentum tensor encodes interesting internal properties of hadrons.
 - Energy, momentum & stress distributions among them.
- There are subtleties in how to identify "internal" properties here.
 - Light front densities & multipole moment densities both promising routes.
 - Studies in tilted light front coordinates remain to be done.

...and, most importantly:

Thanks for your time and attention!