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ABSTRACT.

Analytic formulae are derived for the energy, longitudinal and transverse momentum distributions of "soft" radiation in QED. A corresponding result is obtained for $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q} + \text{gluons}$ via QCD. Lastly, a model for hadronic longitudinal and transverse momentum distribution is proposed and compared with the SPEAR data.

The measurement of total cross-section and discovery of jets in e^+e^- annihilation has given a great boost to the parton model and its underlying theory QCD. The existence and some general features of the jets in (massless quark) QCD has been demonstrated in perturbation theory by Sterman and Weinberg¹. In the present work, we discuss a model which borrows some techniques from an earlier work of ours in QED, where we were able to obtain a transverse momentum damping². That analysis is extended to energy as well as the longitudinal momentum distribution of the radia-

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tion. The resulting formulae are also valid for colorless states of QCD with only minor changes. It is shown how the Sterman-Weinberg result is obtained from our formulae. Under certain extra assumptions, we compute the hadronic longitudinal and transverse momentum distribution in e^+e^- -annihilation and compare it successfully to the SPEAR data. In a certain limit, our k_\perp distribution becomes identical to Hagedorn's result in the thermodynamical model. Lastly, it is briefly pointed out that everything else being the same, gluon jets are expected to be twice as spread out as quark jets.

We start with an expression derived by Etim, Pancheri and Touschek³ for the 4-momentum distribution $d^4P(K)$ of the emitted radiation in an arbitrary QED process $i \rightarrow f + \Gamma(K)$, using the Bloch-Nordsieck theorem and energy-momentum conservation:

$$d^4P(K) = (d^4K) \int \frac{(d^4x)}{(2\pi)^4} e^{iK \cdot x} - h(x, \epsilon) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{where } h(x, \epsilon) = \int_0^\epsilon d^3 \bar{n}(k) \left[1 - e^{-ik \cdot x} \right] \quad (2)$$

and the average number $d^3 \bar{n}(k)$ of real photons emitted in (d^3k) is given by

$$d^3 \bar{n}(k) = \beta \left(\frac{dk}{k} \right) f(\hat{n}) (d\Omega_n). \quad (3)$$

Here β is the spectrum and $f(\hat{n})$ the angular distribution for single photon emission³:

$$\beta = - \int (d^2n) j_\mu(n) j^{\mu*}(n) \quad (4.1)$$

$$f(\hat{n}) = - \frac{k^2}{2} j_\mu(k) j^{\mu*}(k); \quad \int f(\hat{n}) (d\Omega_n) = 1 \quad (4.2)$$

$$j_\mu(k) = \frac{ie}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \sum_i \eta_i \frac{p_i \mu}{(p_i \cdot k)} . \quad (4.3)$$

$\eta_i = +1 (-1)$ for incoming (outgoing) particle/antiparticle, k is the single photon momentum such that $k^2 = 0$ but $K^2 \neq 0$. The upper limit ϵ in eq. (2) is the maximum frequency allowed for a single photon emission in a given process.

Clearly, the above integrals are very complicated so we aim for an approximate analytic form for it². Consider, first the energy distribution $dP(\omega)$ alone, which is obtained upon integrating over (d^3K) where

$$K^\mu = (\omega, \underline{\underline{x}}):$$

$$\frac{dP(\omega)}{d\omega} = \int (d^3K) \int \frac{(d^4x)}{(2\pi)^4} e^{iK \cdot x - h(x, \epsilon)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dt}{(2\pi)} e^{i\omega t - h(\underline{x}=0, t, \epsilon)}, \quad (5)$$

where

$$h(t, \epsilon) = \beta \int_0^{\epsilon} \left(\frac{dk}{k} \right) \left[1 - e^{-ikt} \right]. \quad (6)$$

Now, $h(t, \epsilon) \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow 0]{} \beta(i\epsilon t)$ and $\xrightarrow[|t| \rightarrow \infty]{} \beta \ln(i\epsilon t)$. Thus, we approximate $h(t)$ by $\tilde{h}(t) = \beta \ln(1 + i\epsilon t)$, and eq. (5) is replaced by

$$d\tilde{P}(\omega) = \frac{d\omega}{(2\pi)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dt e^{i\omega t}}{[1 + i\epsilon t]^\beta} = \frac{\beta}{\Gamma(1+\beta)} \left(\frac{d\omega}{\epsilon} \right) \left(\frac{\omega}{\epsilon} \right)^{\beta-1} e^{-\omega/\epsilon}. \quad (7)$$

Eq. (7) is our proposed analytic approximation to the energy distribution. It is easily checked that the first two moments $\langle \omega^0 \rangle$ and $\langle \omega^1 \rangle$ computed using the exact $dP(\omega)$ given by eq. (5) and our approximation for it viz. $d\tilde{P}(\omega)$ are identical. This gives us confidence about the obtained exponential energy cut-off. Notice that the cut-off is a truly cooperative effect (it needs atleast n photons to get a total energy $\omega = n\epsilon$) and cannot be obtained in any finite order in perturbation theory. (For a discussion see ref. 2).

A similar trick can be devised for K_{\parallel} as well as K_{\perp} distribution. For K_{\parallel} -distribution, we propose

$$d\tilde{P}(K_{||}) = \frac{dK_{||}}{(2\pi)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_3 e^{-iK_{||}x_3 - h(x_3, \epsilon)}, \quad (8)$$

$$\text{with } h(x_3, \epsilon) \text{ approximated by } \tilde{h}(x_3, \epsilon) = \frac{\beta}{2} \ln \left[1 + x_3^2 \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} (1 - 4A) \right], \quad (9)$$

$$\text{and } A = \frac{1}{4} \int f(\hat{n}) n_{\perp}^2 (d^2 n) = \frac{\langle n_{\perp}^2 \rangle}{4}. \quad (10)$$

Thus, (4A) is the average transverse spread of a single radiation. Calling $B = \frac{1}{2}(1 - 4A)$, we find

$$d\tilde{P}(K_{||}) = \frac{\beta/2}{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(1 + \beta/2)} \frac{dK_{||}}{(\epsilon \sqrt{B})} \left(\left| \frac{K_{||}}{2\sqrt{B}\epsilon} \right| \right)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}} K_{\frac{\beta-1}{2}} \left(\frac{K_{||}}{\sqrt{B}\epsilon} \right), \quad (11)$$

where $K_{\nu}(z)$ is the Bessel function of the IIIrd kind. Eq. (11) has very interesting, small and large $K_{||}$, limits.

$$\text{For } K_{||} \rightarrow 0, \quad \frac{dP(K_{||})}{dK_{||}} \underset{\beta < 1}{\sim} K_{||}^{\beta-1} \rightarrow \infty \quad (12)$$

$$\underset{\beta > 1}{\sim} \text{constant}. \quad (13)$$

Eq. (12) is the limit relevant for QED, while eq. (13) will be seen relevant for QCD. For $K_{||} \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\frac{dP(K_{||})}{dK_{||}} \underset{K_{||} \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} e^{-K_{||}/\epsilon \sqrt{B}}. \quad (14)$$

It turns out² that as the incident energy $W \rightarrow \infty$, $A \rightarrow 0$ thus $B \rightarrow 1/2$ and we find an exponential damping in $K_{||}$ for $K_{||} \gg \epsilon$.

A completely analogous analysis can be carried through for the K_{\perp} distribution. The result is

$$\frac{d\tilde{P}(K_{\perp})}{dK_{\perp}} = \frac{\beta/2}{\Gamma(1 + \beta/2)} \frac{K_{\perp}}{(\epsilon^2 A)} \left(\frac{K_{\perp}}{2\epsilon \sqrt{A}} \right)^{-1 + \frac{\beta}{2}} K_{1 - \frac{\beta}{2}} \left(\frac{K_{\perp}}{\epsilon \sqrt{A}} \right). \quad (15)$$

$$\text{Again, for } K_{\perp} \rightarrow 0, \frac{dP}{dK_{\perp}} \underset{\beta < 1}{\sim} K_{\perp}^{-1+\beta} \xrightarrow{\beta < 1} \infty \quad (16)$$

$$\underset{\beta > 1}{\sim} K_{\perp} \rightarrow 0. \quad (17)$$

As before, eq. (16) is appropriate for QED and eq. (17) for QCD.

$$\text{For } K_{\perp} \rightarrow \infty, \frac{dP(K_{\perp})}{dK_{\perp}} \sim e^{-K_{\perp}/\epsilon\sqrt{A}}. \quad (18)$$

We notice in passing that for $\beta = 4$, eq. (15) reduces to Hagedorn's K_{\perp} -distribution (for massless particles) obtained in the thermodynamic model.

We intend to pursue this correspondence in detail elsewhere.

In QED, $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ scattering, for example, A can be explicitly calculated² and one finds that for large s and fixed t scattering

$$\epsilon\sqrt{A} \rightarrow m\sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{8}\ln\frac{s}{m^2} - 1\right)}$$

so that K_{\parallel} scales with $\epsilon\sqrt{B} \sim \epsilon/\sqrt{2}$, i.e. the energy, whereas K_{\perp} scales with $\epsilon\sqrt{A} \sim m$ (upto logarithms). This is the genesis of transverse momentum damping in our approach⁴.

Now let us discuss the β -factor. In $e^+e^- \rightarrow a\bar{a}$, for the e^+e^- state alone, it is given by (see eqs. (4.1) and (4.3))

$$\beta_e = \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \int_{-1}^{+1} dz \frac{(1-z^2)}{(1-v^2 z^2)^2} \quad (19)$$

$$v = \underset{p/E \rightarrow 1}{\sim} \left(\frac{4\alpha}{\pi} \right) \left(\ln \frac{2E}{m} \right). \quad (20)$$

What happens when $m \rightarrow 0$? Standard QED for massless electron does not exist. However, jet-like cross-sections can nevertheless be defined. In our language, there is a simple recipe. Consider a cone of half-angle δ about the e^+ and e^- axes. Then, eq. (19) for $m=0$ ($v=1$) is replaced by

$$\beta \Rightarrow \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \int_{-z_0}^{z_0} \frac{dz(1-z^2)}{(1-z^2)^2} = \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \ln \left(\frac{1+z_0}{1-z_0} \right),$$

$$\text{where } z_0 = \cos 2\delta. \text{ For small } \delta, \quad \beta(\delta) \approx \left(\frac{4\alpha}{\pi}\right) \ln\left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right). \quad (21)$$

Let us turn now to QCD. Various authors have shown that in the leading logarithmic approximation, exponentiation similar to QED occurs here as well^{5, 6, 7, 8}. For $e^+ e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q} \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$, we have $\alpha \Rightarrow C_F \tilde{\alpha}$ where $C_F = 4/3$ for SU(3) color and $\tilde{\alpha} = \frac{g_E^2}{4\pi} \approx \frac{6\pi}{(33 - 2n_F)(\ln W/A)}$, (22)

where n_F is the number of flavors.

Following Sterman and Weinberg, for massless quarks, let us define f as the fraction of events carrying a certain portion $(1-\varepsilon)$ of total energy $W = 2\varepsilon$ in a half-cone δ . How do we obtain it? Take eq.(7) for $d\tilde{P}(\omega)$ and integrate upto $(\Delta\omega)$:

$$f(\varepsilon, \delta) = \int_0^{\Delta\omega} d\tilde{P}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^{\Delta\omega/\varepsilon} dx x^{\beta-1} e^{-x} = \left(\frac{\Delta\omega}{\varepsilon}\right)^\beta \gamma^*(\beta, \frac{\Delta\omega}{\varepsilon}), \quad (23)$$

where γ^* is the incomplete gamma function. For $\frac{\Delta\omega}{\varepsilon} = 2\varepsilon \ll 1$, it becomes

$$f(\varepsilon, \delta) \approx 1 + \beta(\delta) \ln(2\varepsilon) \approx 1 - \left(\frac{32}{25 \ln W/A}\right) \ln\left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right) \ln\left(\frac{1}{2\varepsilon}\right), \quad (24)$$

using eqs.(21) and (22) with $n_F = 4$ flavors. Eq.(24) is the singular part of the Sterman-Weinberg expression. Clearly, eq.(24) is valid only when the 2nd term is small compared to 1, whereas our earlier expression eq.(23) should be valid more generally.

We discuss now an application of our formulae to hadronic momentum distributions. Implicitly or otherwise, the whole 2-jet picture in QCD rests on the assumption that the produced hadrons are roughly aligned to the quark direction with a spread defined by the gluon radiation. We would like to boldly extend this concept to its limit, which is to say that the hadronic 4-momentum distribution in a 2-jet process would be given by the same $d^4P(K)$ as that of the radiation. This hypothesis seems to work rather well as we show below.

To analyse the very good SPEAR data at $W = 7.4 \text{ GeV}^9$, we use 4-flavors with quark masses: $m_u = 4 \text{ MeV}$, $m_d = 7.5 \text{ MeV}$, $m_s = 150 \text{ MeV}$ and $m_c = 1.5 \text{ GeV}^{10}$. The parameter $\epsilon\sqrt{A}$ can be eliminated in favor of the mean $\langle k_\perp \rangle$ - which we take from the data

$$\langle k_\perp \rangle = (\epsilon\sqrt{A}) \sqrt{\pi} \frac{\Gamma(1/2 + \beta/2)}{\Gamma(\beta/2)}$$

$$\langle k_\perp^2 \rangle = 2\beta(\epsilon^2 A).$$

Figure 1 shows the theoretical prediction (normalized to give the same

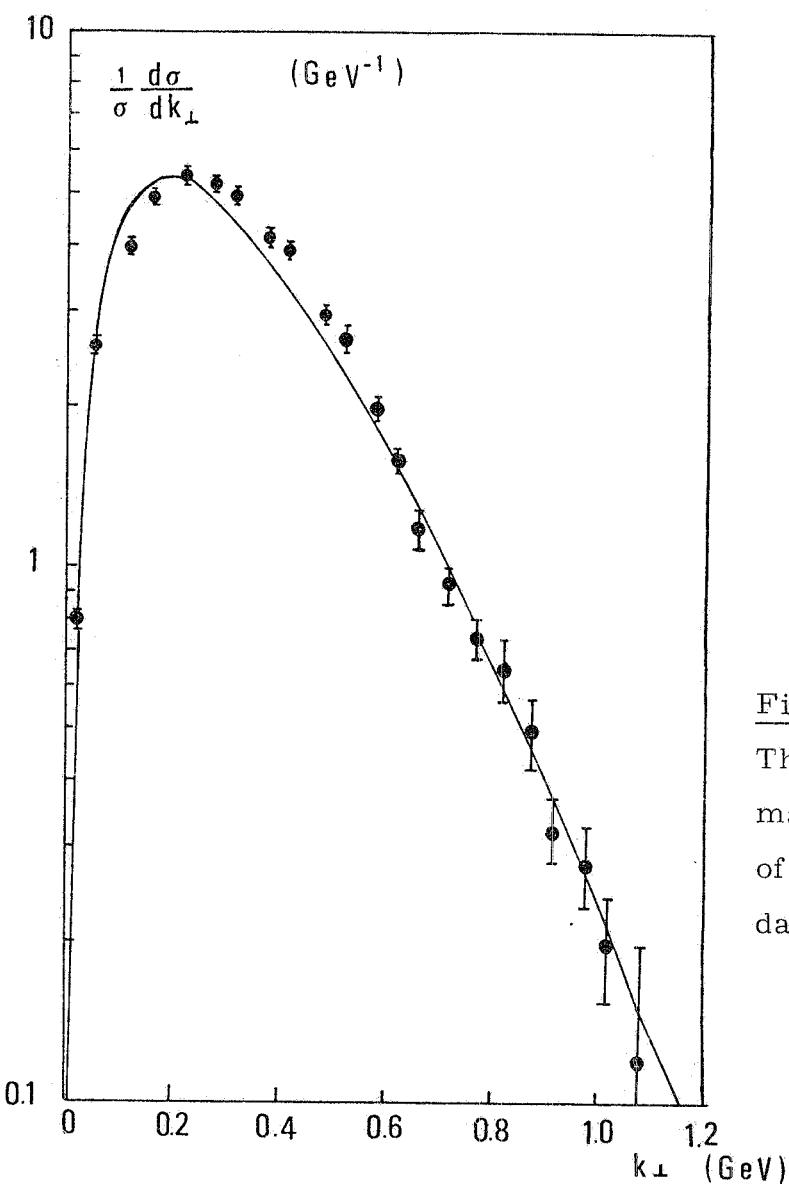


Fig. 1 - $\frac{1}{\sigma} \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dk_\perp} \right)$ versus k_\perp . The theoretical curve is normalized to the same number of produced particles. The data (●) are from ref. 9.

number of particles) as well as the experimental result for the K_{\perp} distribution at 7.4 GeV. The agreement is quite satisfactory. Figure 2 shows the corresponding comparison for the $x_{\parallel} = 2K_{\parallel}/W$ distribution, where we have deliberately normalized to the high x_{\parallel} tail to emphasize the discrepancy (near $x_{\parallel} = 0$) between our model and the data. It highlights the neglect of the pion mass - remember our formulae are for massless objects ! Optimistically, we hope that a reasonable mass correction will ameliorate the situation. The other probable source of discord near $x_{\parallel} \approx 0$ has to do with

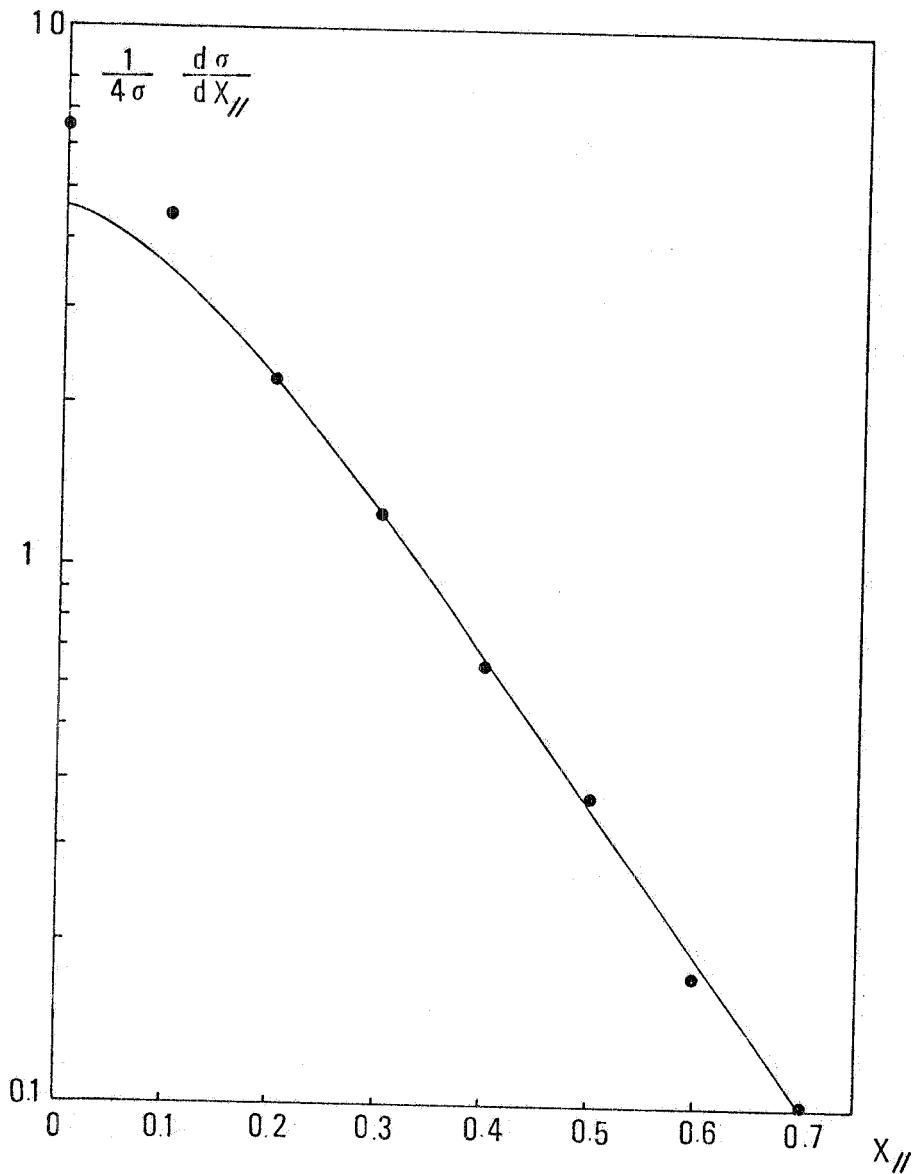


Fig. 2 $\frac{1}{4\sigma} \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dx_{\parallel}} \right)$ versus x_{\parallel} . The theoretical curve is normalized to the high x_{\parallel} tail. The data (●) are from ref. 9.

charm production. (For a charmed quark of mass ~ 1.5 GeV, the distribution at 7.4 GeV deviates from $1 + \cos^2\theta$ quite a bit).

In spite of these reservations, it is safe to conclude that the general shape of the data are well reproduced. The present approach therefore may be a viable alternative to the quark fragmentation models.

We postpone a discussion of gluon jets to another work and for now record only some qualitative remarks. In the massless quark jet picture, if we assume that A is the same for quark and gluon jets, then very approximately

$$\frac{\langle K_{\perp} \rangle_{\text{glue}}}{\langle K_{\perp} \rangle_{\text{quark}}} \approx \left(\frac{9}{4}\right) \frac{\langle N_q \rangle}{\langle N_g \rangle} .$$

Thus, if multiplicity due to quark and gluons is roughly the same, then $\langle K_{\perp} \rangle_{\text{glue}} \approx 2 \langle K_{\perp} \rangle_{\text{quark}}$ leading us to conclude that hadrons from gluons are more spread out. Preliminary reports from DESY on Υ -resonance decay seem to bear this out.

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