

Dipole picture diffractive structure function at NLO

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- ▶ High energy collisions as eikonal scattering

- ▶ Diffractive structure function at NLO

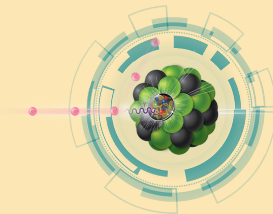
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Process of interest

DIS at high energy

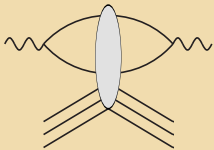


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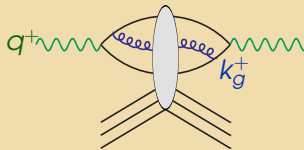


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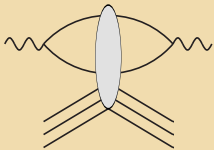
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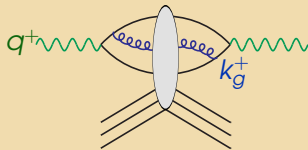


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NLO: the same gluon with full kinematics

Idea of LCPT calculation

- ▶ Know free particle Fock states: $|\gamma^*\rangle_0$, $|q\bar{q}\rangle_0$, $|q\bar{q}g\rangle_0$ etc.
- ▶ **Interacting** states are superpositions of these:

$$|\gamma^*\rangle = (1 + \dots)|\gamma^*\rangle_0 + \psi^{\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}} \otimes |q\bar{q}\rangle_0 + \psi^{\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}g} \otimes |q\bar{q}g\rangle_0 + \dots$$

- ▶ Calculate in QM perturbation theory, e.g. ground state $|0\rangle$ wavefunction:

$$\psi^{0 \rightarrow n} = \sum_n \frac{\langle n | \hat{V} | 0 \rangle}{E_n - E_0} + \dots$$

▶ Here $1/\Delta E$ is $\sim$ the lifetime of the quantum fluctuation from 0 to n

- ▶ In “Energy” E is conjugate to “time”, LC time is x^+ $\Rightarrow$ LC energy k^-
- ▶ Note: energy not “conserved”!

Connection to Feynman perturbation theory

- ▶ Matrix elements $\langle n | \hat{V} | m \rangle$ are vertices in Feynman rules
- ▶ LC energy denominators from propagators, integrating over k^- pole

DIS at NLO: Fock state expansion

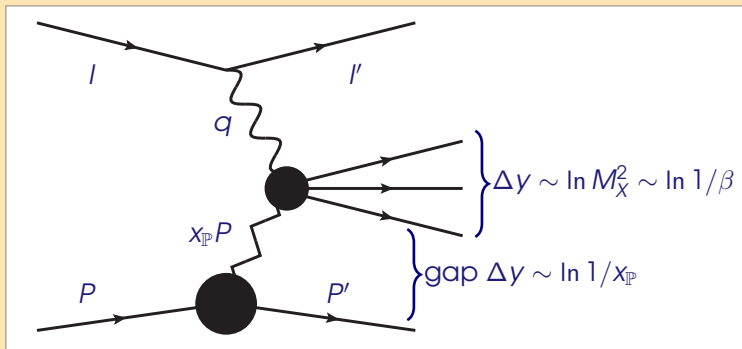
$$\left| \gamma_{\lambda}^*(q^+, \mathbf{q}; Q^2) \right\rangle_D = \sqrt{Z_{\gamma_{\lambda}^*}} \left\{ \text{Non-QCD Fock states} + \widetilde{\sum_{q_0 \bar{q}_1 \text{ F. s.}}} \tilde{\Psi}_{\gamma_{\lambda}^* \rightarrow q_0 \bar{q}_1} |q_0 \bar{q}_1\rangle \right. \\ \left. + \widetilde{\sum_{q_0 \bar{q}_1 g_2 \text{ F. s.}}} \tilde{\Psi}_{\gamma_{\lambda}^* \rightarrow q_0 \bar{q}_1 g_2} |q_0 \bar{q}_1 g_2\rangle + \cdots \right\},$$

- ▶ Non-QCD Fock states: EW corrections, not needed
- ▶ Tree level $\tilde{\Psi}_{\gamma_{\lambda}^* \rightarrow q_0 \bar{q}_1}$: LO
- ▶ $\tilde{\Psi}_{\gamma_{\lambda}^* \rightarrow q_0 \bar{q}_1}$: known to 1 loop
- ▶ $\tilde{\Psi}_{\gamma_{\lambda}^* \rightarrow q_0 \bar{q}_1 g_2}$: tree level

Diffractional DLS

Inclusive diffraction, kinematics

$\gamma^* + A \rightarrow X + A$, differential in M_X



- ▶ Momentum transfer $t = (P - P')^2$
- ▶ Gap size $x_{\mathbb{P}}$, target evolution rapidity $\sim \ln 1/x_{\mathbb{P}}$
- ▶ Diffractive system mass M_X^2 , $\beta = Q^2/(Q^2 + M_X^2)$
- ▶ Virtuality Q^2
- ▶ Lower $x_{\mathbb{P}}$ than dijets (e.g. at EIC)

$$x_{Bj} = x_{\mathbb{P}}\beta$$

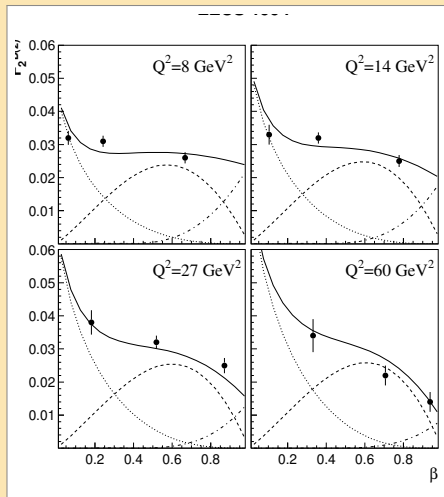
This talk: $x_{\mathbb{P}}$ small, β not.

Dependence on β , i.e. M_X

$M_X^2 = \text{photon remnants.}$

Essential regimes:

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|---|---|
| $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{LO+NLO} \\ \text{LO} \end{array} \right\}$ | ▶ Large $\beta \rightarrow 1$ — small M_X :
longitudinal $\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ |
| | ▶ Medium $\beta \sim 0.5$ — $M_X^2 \sim Q^2$:
transverse $\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ |
| $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{NLO} \\ \text{OTN} \end{array} \right\}$ | ▶ Small $\beta \ll 1$ — large M_X^2 :
higher Fock states ($q\bar{q}g$ etc.) |



LO $q\bar{q}$ and leading $\ln Q^2$ $q\bar{q}g$

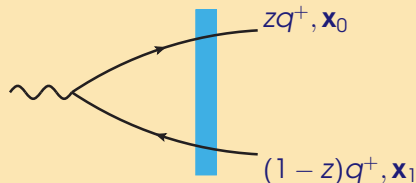
LO diffractive DIS

Diffractive DIS at leading order

► Full kinematics and impact parameter dependence

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$$\frac{d\sigma_{\lambda, q\bar{q}}^D}{dM_X^2 d|t|} = \frac{N_c}{4\pi} \int_0^1 dz \int_{\mathbf{x}_0 \mathbf{x}_1 \bar{\mathbf{x}}_0 \bar{\mathbf{x}}_1} \mathcal{I}_{\Delta}^{(2)} \mathcal{I}_{M_X}^{(2)} \\ \times \sum_{f, h_0, h_1} \left(\tilde{\psi}_{\gamma_{\lambda}^* \rightarrow q_0 \bar{q}_1} \right)^\dagger \left(\tilde{\psi}_{\gamma_{\lambda}^* \rightarrow q_0 \bar{q}_1} \right) \boxed{\left[S_{0\bar{1}}^\dagger - 1 \right] \left[S_{01} - 1 \right]}$$



(Blue: shockwave target)

► $q\bar{q}$ crossing shockwave: dipole S_{01}

► “Transfer functions:” relate coordinates at shockwave to:

- Momentum transfer $t = -\Delta^2$: $\mathcal{I}_{\Delta}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{4\pi} J_0 \left(\sqrt{|t|} \|z\mathbf{x}_{00} - (1-z)\mathbf{x}_{11}\| \right)$
- Invariant mass $\mathcal{I}_{M_X}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{4\pi} J_0 \left(\sqrt{z(1-z)} M_X \|\bar{\mathbf{r}} - \mathbf{r}\| \right)$

LO, recovering known result

We can recover known results [Golec-Biernat, Wüsthoff, Marquet et al](#) :

$$x_{\mathbb{P}} F_{L,q\bar{q}}^D(\beta, x_{\mathbb{P}}, Q^2) = \frac{N_c Q^4}{2\pi^3 \beta} \sum e_f^2 \int d^2 \mathbf{b} \int_0^1 dz z^3 (1-z)^3 Q^2 \Phi_0(z, \beta, Q, \mathbf{b}),$$

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$$\Phi_n(z, \beta, Q, \mathbf{b}) = \left[\int dr r J_n(\sqrt{z(1-z)} M_X r) K_n(\sqrt{z(1-z)} Q r) (S_{rb} - 1) \right]^2.$$

Requires approximations

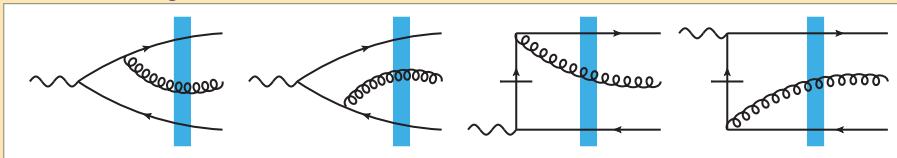
- ▶ Dependence on center-of-mass impact parameter $z_0 \mathbf{x}_0 + z_1 \mathbf{x}_1$ factorizes
- ▶ Dipole amplitude does not depend on $\mathbf{b}$, $\mathbf{r}$ -angle:
 $\Rightarrow$ Bessel function index from angular structure of $\gamma_\lambda^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ vertex

Now to NLO

NLO diffractive DIS

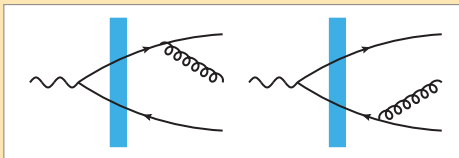
NLO radiative corrections

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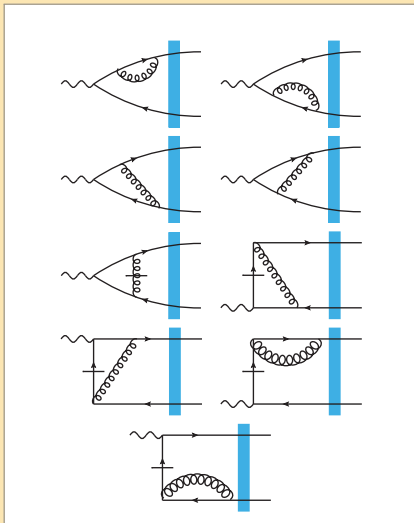
- Squares already in [G. Beuf, H. Hänninen, T.L., Y. Mulian, H. Mäntysaari arXiv:2206.13161](#)
- Contain leading $\ln Q^2$ contribution

► Emission after target



► Interferences $\Rightarrow$ simplify with some of the virtual corrections

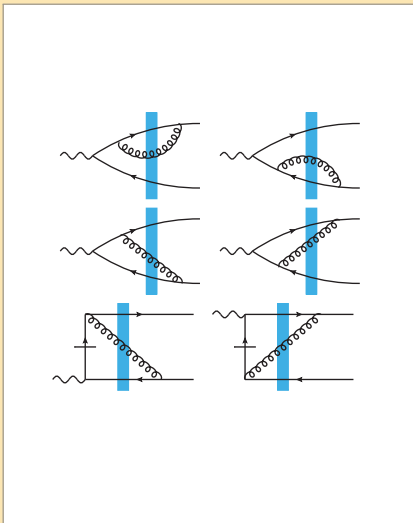
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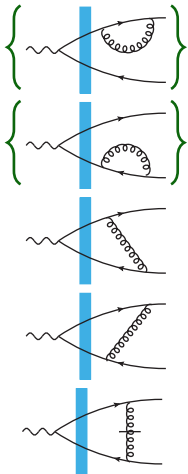
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- ▶ Final state interactions
(Propagator corrections $\{ \} \rightarrow$
State renormalization, in fact = 0 in dim. reg.)

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NLO diffractive DIS cross section

Calculation in 2401.17251 [hep-ph]

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We have calculated all these contributions

► Diffractive structure function:

clean IR-safe, [perturbative = experimental] final state definition M_X !

(No fragmentation function, jet definition)

⇒ Divergences must cancel

The image shows a large, complex mathematical expression for the diffractive structure function. It is a sum of several terms, each involving integrals over variables like x and z , and various functions including Bessel functions J_0 , J_1 , and J_2 , and logarithmic terms. The expression is highly detailed and represents the full calculation of the diffractive structure function.

Features of the calculation:

- Divergence structure
- Treatment of energy denominators
- Collinear factorization limit (Wüsthoff limit)

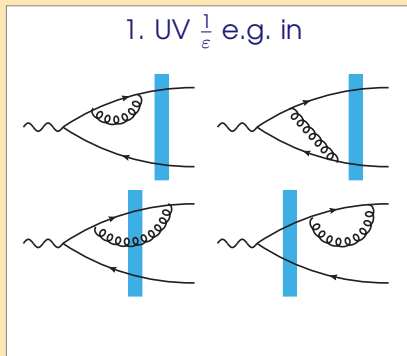
(Result: logs, Bessel fn's, polynomials in z_i 's)

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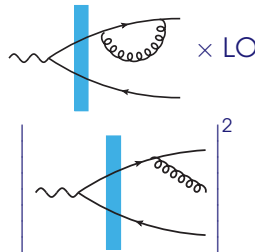
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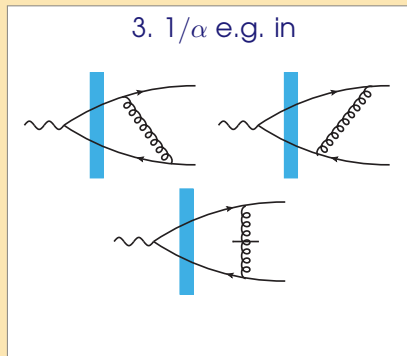


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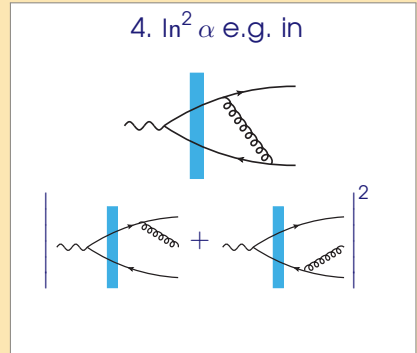


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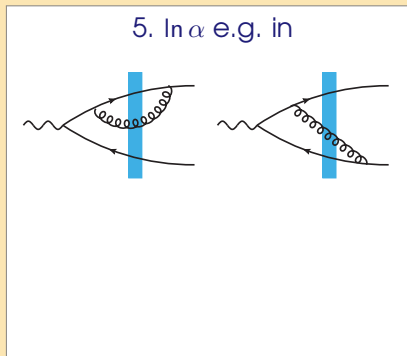


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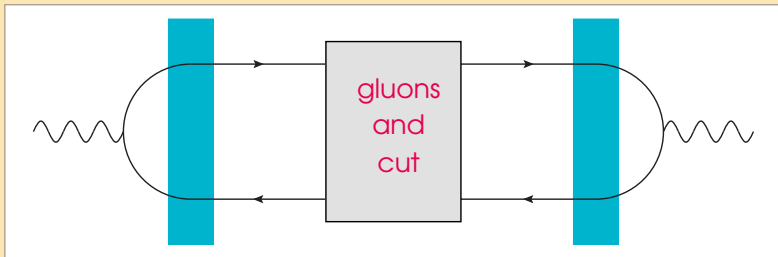
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5. Remaining $\ln \alpha$ absorbed into BK/JIMWLK



Purely final state corrections

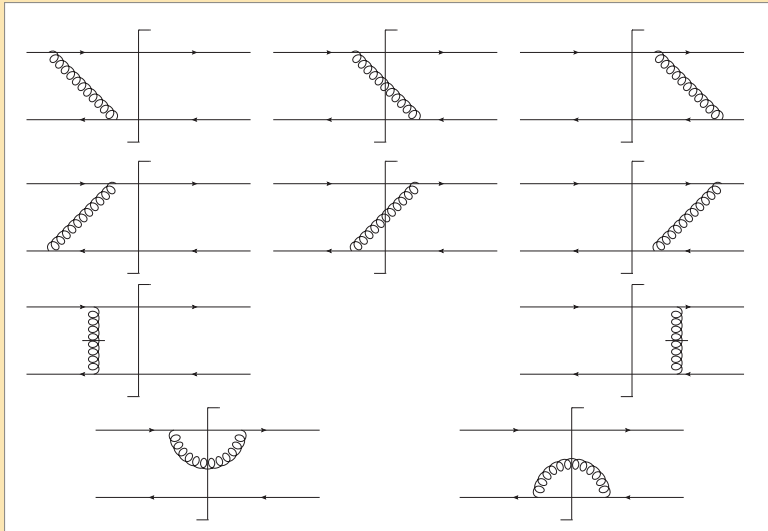
Easier to treat at cross section level



- ▶ Only $q\bar{q}$ at shockwave $\Rightarrow$ dipole S_{01} and $S_{\bar{0}\bar{1}}$
- ▶ If fully inclusive, these would cancel, now M_X restriction
- ▶ $\mathcal{M} \sim \langle f | (\hat{S} - 1) | i = \gamma^* \rangle$, final state $|f\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle, |q\bar{q}g\rangle$ with $M_{q\bar{q}} = M_X, M_{q\bar{q}g} = M_X$
LCWF's $\Psi_{q\bar{q} \rightarrow q\bar{q}}^*$ and $\Psi_{q\bar{q}g \rightarrow q\bar{q}}^* \Rightarrow$ **Energy denominators from the cut = M_X !**

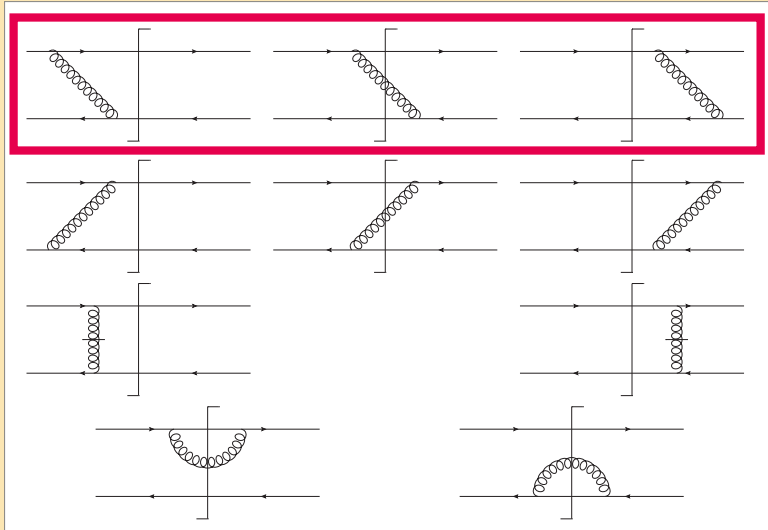
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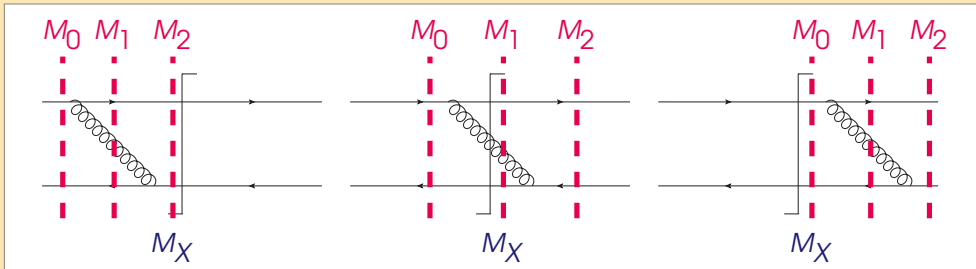
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As an example: consider 1st row

Combine energy denominators

“Beuf trick”: write M_X delta function as imaginary part of “propagator”



$$\frac{\delta(M_X^2 - M_2^2)}{(M_2^2 - M_1^2 + i\delta)(M_2^2 - M_0^2 + i\delta)} + \frac{\delta(M_X^2 - M_1^2)}{(M_1^2 - M_0^2 + i\delta)(M_1^2 - M_2^2 - i\delta)} + \frac{\delta(M_X^2 - M_0^2)}{(M_0^2 - M_1^2 - i\delta)(M_0^2 - M_2^2 - i\delta)}$$

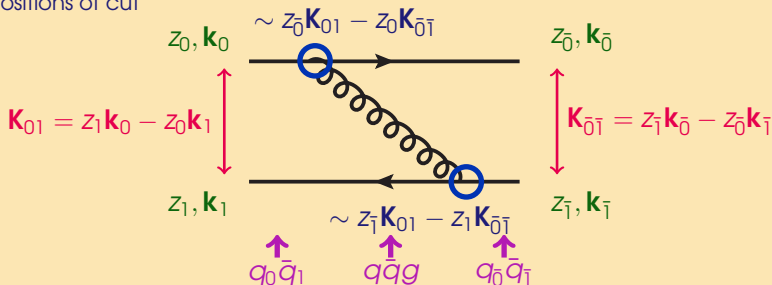
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[\frac{1}{(M_X^2 - M_0^2 - i\delta)(M_X^2 - M_1^2 - i\delta)(M_X^2 - M_2^2 - i\delta)} - \text{c.c.} \right]$$

(Note: sign of $i\delta$ essential)

Looks even more complicated than before, but ...

Numerator

Same for all 3 positions of cut

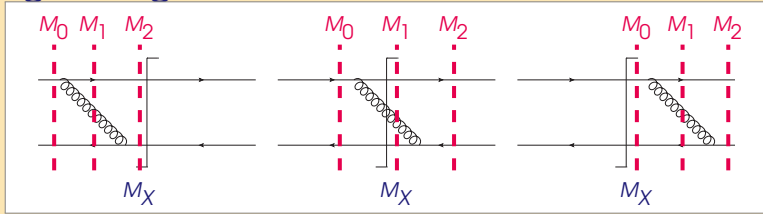


- ▶ $\mathbf{K}_{01}, \mathbf{K}_{\bar{0}\bar{1}}$ are conjugate to the dipole size $\Rightarrow$ integration variables
- ▶ Numerator $\sim (z_{\bar{0}} \mathbf{K}_{01} - z_0 \mathbf{K}_{\bar{0}\bar{1}}) \cdot (z_{\bar{1}} \mathbf{K}_{01} - z_1 \mathbf{K}_{\bar{0}\bar{1}})$
- ▶ Invariant masses

$$M^2(q_0 \bar{q}_1) = \frac{\mathbf{K}_{01}^2}{z_0 z_1} \quad M^2(q \bar{q}) = \frac{1}{z_0 - z_{\bar{0}}} \left[\frac{z_{\bar{1}}}{z_1} \mathbf{K}_{01}^2 + \frac{z_0}{z_{\bar{0}}} \mathbf{K}_{\bar{0}\bar{1}}^2 - 2 \mathbf{K}_{01} \cdot \mathbf{K}_{\bar{0}\bar{1}} \right] \quad M^2(q_{\bar{0}} \bar{q}_{\bar{1}}) = \frac{\mathbf{K}_{\bar{0}\bar{1}}^2}{z_{\bar{0}} z_{\bar{1}}},$$

- ▶ Express numerator as linear combination of invariant masses

Separating divergences



$$\frac{\text{numerator}}{2\pi i} \left[\frac{1}{(M_X^2 - M_0^2 - i\delta)(M_X^2 - M_1^2 - i\delta)(M_X^2 - M_2^2 - i\delta)} - \text{c.c.} \right]$$

Numerator $\sim [\dots](M_X^2 - M_0^2) + [\dots](M_X^2 - M_2^2) + [\dots](M_X^2 - M_1^2) + [\dots]M_X^2$

- ▶ Numerator $\sim (M_X^2 - M_0^2)$, $\sim (M_X^2 - M_2^2)$: divergence $\sim \ln^2 \alpha$
- ▶ Numerator $\sim (M_X^2 - M_1^2)$: divergence $\sim 1/\alpha$
- ▶ Numerator $\sim M_X^2$: finite (but most complicated, 3 ED's)

With Beuf trick have separated divergences into different terms

Wüsthoff limit

Large Q^2

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Recover “Wüsthoff result” (origin somewhat mysterious)

$$x_{\mathbb{P}} F_{T,q\bar{q}g}^{\text{D (GBW)}} = \frac{\alpha_s \beta}{8\pi^4} \sum_f e_f^2 \int_{\mathbf{b}} \int_{\beta}^1 dz \left[\left(1 - \frac{\beta}{z}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\beta}{z}\right)^2 \right] \int_0^{Q^2} dk^2 k^4 \ln \frac{Q^2}{k^2} \\ \times \left[\int_0^{\infty} dr r K_2(\sqrt{z}kr) J_2(\sqrt{1-z}kr) \frac{d\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{dip}}}{d^2\mathbf{b}}(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{r}, x_{\mathbb{P}}) \right]^2.$$

- ▶ Explicit $\ln Q^2$
- ▶ $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ DGLAP splitting function: target evolution
- ▶ Color-octet small-size $q\bar{q}$ is “effective gluon” $\tilde{g} \Rightarrow$ adjoint dipole $\Rightarrow$ diffractive gluon PDF
- ▶ J_2, K_2 from curious “effective gluon wavefunction”

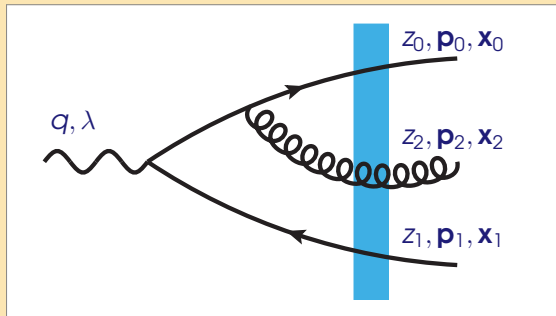
$$\psi^{\gamma \rightarrow g\tilde{g}} \sim k^i k^j - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{k}^2 \delta^{ij}$$

Deriving large Q^2 limit: aligned jet limit

Leading large Q^2 from:

- ▶ $z_0 \gg z_1 \gg z_2$
- ▶ $\mathbf{p}_0^2 \sim \mathbf{p}_1^2 \gg \mathbf{p}_2^2$
- ▶ $p_0^- \sim p_1^- \sim p_2^-$
 $\Rightarrow$ Wüsthoff momentum fractions

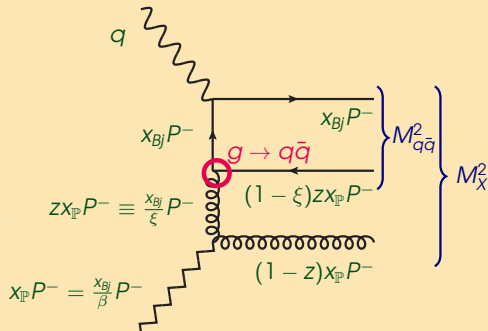
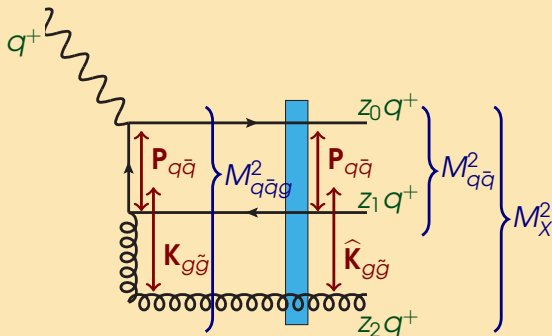
Consistently taking this limit derivation is straightforward:



- ▶ q and $\bar{q}$ close: not resolved by target $\Rightarrow$ point-like “effective gluon” $\tilde{g}$
- ▶ Consequently relative momentum of $q\bar{q}$ pair does not change in shockwave
only relative momentum of $g\tilde{g}$
- ▶ Explicit log from $q\bar{q}$ internal dynamics, $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ (!) splitting function
- ▶ Rank-2 tensor for $\gamma^* \rightarrow g\tilde{g}$ Edmond and Dionysios had a much more elegant way!

Deriving large Q^2 limit: matching

Identification with collinear variables via invariant masses



- $\mathbf{K}_{g\bar{g}}$: before shock, Fourier-transform
- $\hat{\mathbf{K}}_{g\bar{g}}$: final state, fixed

$$M^2_{q\bar{q}} \approx \mathbf{P}_{q\bar{q}}^2 / z_1 \approx (1/\xi - 1)Q^2$$

$$M^2_{q\bar{q}g} \approx M^2_{q\bar{q}} + \mathbf{K}_{g\bar{g}}^2 / z_2 \quad M^2_X = (1/\beta - 1)Q^2 \approx M^2_{q\bar{q}} + \hat{\mathbf{K}}_{g\bar{g}}^2 / z_2$$

Conclusions

- ▶ High energy scattering of dilute probe off strong color fields:
 - ▶ Target: classical color field
 - ▶ Probe: virtual photon,
develop in a Fock state expansion in Light Cone Perturbation Theory
- ▶ Inclusive diffraction at one loop: key piece of EIC physics
- ▶ Connection to diffractive PDF/TMD from dipole picture

Thank you