# Wilson links for parton densities and resummation

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#### Introduction

#### See also Zuo-Tang and Sayipjamal's talks

#### Deep inelastic scattering

- Electron-proton DIS I(k)+N(p) -> I(k')+X
- Large momentum transfer -q<sup>2</sup>=(k-k')<sup>2</sup>=Q<sup>2</sup>
- Calculation of cross section suffers IR divergence --- nonperturbative dynamics in the proton
- Origin if IR divergence? *k*
- How to handle it?
- Factor out nonpert part from DIS, and leave it to other methods



#### Factorization theorem

- Collinear divergence associated with proton
- Cross section = Hard (H) \* Parton distribution function (PDF)
- H = short distance, LO
   PDF = long distance
- Collinear
   factorization

 $k = (xP^+, 0, 0_T)$ 



#### **Collinear factorization**

- Factorization of many processes investigated up to higher twists
- Hard kernels calculated to higher orders
- Parton distribution function (PDF) evolution from low to high scale derived (DGLAP equation)
- PDF database constructed (CTEQ)
- Logs from extreme kinematics resummed
- Soft, jet, fragmentation functions all studied

#### k<sub>T</sub> factorization

- k<sub>T</sub> factorization applies to small x, or high energy region, especially to LHC physics
- Also to final-state spectra at low  $q_T$ , like direct photon and jet production
- Keep  $k_T$  in hard kernel,  $xP^+ \approx k_T, q_T \approx k_T$
- Parton  $k = (xP^+, 0, k_T)$  enters hard kernel
- Parton  $k_T$  is not integrated out in PDF  $\Rightarrow k_T$  dependent (TMD) parton density
- Many aspects of k<sub>T</sub> factorization not yet investigated in detail

#### Factorization in $k_T$ space

Universal transverse-momentum-dependent (TMD) PDF  $\Phi_{f/N}(\xi, k_T)$  describes probability of parton carrying momentum fraction and transverse momentum

If neglecting  $k_T$  in H, integration over  $k_T$  can be worked out, giving

$$\int d^2 k_T \Phi_{f/N}(\xi, k_T) \Longrightarrow \phi_{f/N}(\xi)$$



#### 3-dimensional image of nucleon

At leading twist (twist 2) f, g, h: quark un-, longitudinally, transversely polarized

	$f_1(x,k_{\perp})$		q(x)	number density
<b>-</b>	$f_{1T}^{\perp}(x,k_{\perp})$	0	×	Sivers function
	$g_{1L}(x,k_{\perp})$ $g_{1T}^{\perp}(x,k_{\perp})$		$\Delta q(x)$ ×	helicity distribution Worm gear: trans-helicity
	$h_1^{\perp}(x,k_{\perp})$	0	×	Boer-Mulders function
	$h_{1T}^{\perp}(x,k_{\perp})$ $h_{1T}^{\perp}(x,k_{\perp})$ $h^{\perp}(x,k_{\perp})$		$\delta q(x)$	pretzelocity
	$n_{1L}(x, \kappa_{\perp})$	if no gauge link	× integrate over k⊥	worm gear. longi-transversity

#### Naïve TMD definition

#### Light-cone coordinates

• Analysis of infrared divergences simplified



#### **Eikonal approximation**

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#### Wilson lines

$$W(y^-, 0) = W(0)W^{\dagger}(y^-)$$
$$W(y^-) = \mathcal{P}\exp\left[-ig\int_0^{\infty} d\lambda n_- \cdot A(y + \lambda n_-)\right]$$

loop momentum flows through the hard kernel

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#### Transverse Wilson links

 Suppose factorization established. Quark fields nonlocal in transverse directions. Transverse Wilson links introduced

![](_page_13_Figure_2.jpeg)

# Light-cone singularity

- Compute  $H^{(1)} = G^{(1)} \phi^{(1)} \otimes H^{(0)}$
- The pole  $1/(n_- \cdot l) = 1/l^+$  from Wilson lines in  $\phi^{(1)}$  gives the light-cone singularity.
- They cancel in collinear factorization  $\phi^{(1)} \otimes H = \int \frac{dl^+}{l^+} [H(x) - H(x + l^+/P^+)]$
- The difference of H<sup>(0)</sup> removes singularity.
- They exist in  $k_T$  factorization:  $\int \frac{dl^+}{l^+} [H(x,k_T) - H(x+l^+/P^+,k_T+l_T)]$
- because  $H(x,k_T) \neq H(x,k_T+l_T)$

#### Modification

- Naïve TMD is ill-defined
- Modified definition:  $n_- \rightarrow n, n^2 \neq 0$

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# New IR singularity

 Self-energy correction to Wilson links appears

- Proportional to  $n^2$ , vanishes originally as  $n_-^2 = 0$  1
- Its Feynman integrand  $(n \cdot l + i\varepsilon)(n \cdot l i\varepsilon)$
- 1<sup>st</sup> pole  $n \cdot l = 0$  leads to pinched singularity from 2<sup>nd</sup> eikonal propagator
- Off-light-cone Wilson links regularize lightcone singularity, but introduce new one

#### Collins' definition

# Foundations of perturbative QCD, 2011

# Collins' modification

 TMD with light-like Wilson links multiplied by

- u and n1 on light cone, n2 off light cone
- Off-light-cone Wilson links move into soft function
- Square root renders calculation difficult

#### **IR** cancellations

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#### NLO diagrams

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 $\frac{1}{2}$ 

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#### New definition with nondipolar Wilson links

#### Our modification (Wang, Li 2014)

- Choose orthogonal gauge vectors for offlight-cone Wilson links
- Same light-cone limit as Collins' definition
- Pinched singularity disappears
- soft subtraction is not needed

$$\frac{n_1 \cdot n_2 = 0}{(n_1 \cdot l + i\varepsilon)(n_2 \cdot l - i\varepsilon)}$$

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#### Check IR behavior

- Take pion transition form factor as an example, whose hard kernel is simple
- Three definitions give the same collinear logarithm, the same as in QCD diagrams
- They all realize kT factorization at small x

#### Quasi-parton distribution function

See Jianhui's talk

# Difficulty on lattice

• Ordinary light-cone PDF

$$q(x,\mu^2) = \int \frac{d\xi^-}{4\pi} e^{-ix\xi^- P^+} \langle P|\overline{\psi}(\xi^-)\gamma^+ \\ \times \exp\left(-ig \int_0^{\xi^-} d\eta^- A^+(\eta^-)\right) \psi(0)|P\rangle$$

- Involve time dependence, not suitable for lattice calculation in Euclidean space
- Reason why only (few) moments (local objects) can be calculated by lattice

#### Quasi PDF definition

• To facilitate direct lattice calculation of PDF, i.e., all-moment calculation, modify definition in large Pz limit (Ji, 2013)

$$\tilde{q}_n(x,\mu,P^z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dz}{4\pi} e^{izk^z} \langle P|\psi(w)W_n^{\dagger}(w)\gamma^z W_n(0)\psi(0)|P\rangle$$
$$W_n(w) = P \exp\left[-ig\int_0^{\infty} d\lambda T^a \, n \cdot A^a(\lambda n + w)\right]$$

• Then match Quasi PDF to light-cone PDF

$$\tilde{q}_n(x,\mu,P^z) = \int \frac{dy}{y} Z\left(\frac{x}{y},\frac{\mu}{P^z}\right) q(y,\mu)$$
lattice
data
calculable in
perturbation
extracted

#### Linear divergence

- Quasi PDF and light-cone PDF have the same collinear divergence as expected
- Rotation of Wilson links does not change collinear structure:  $1/n \cdot l \approx 1/n^{-}l^{+}$
- But linear power divergence exists in quasi PDF from large zero component

$$\tilde{q}_n^{1c} = -\frac{1}{2}g^2 C_F \int \frac{d^2 l_T}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{P^z}{l^0 (l^z)^2} = -\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} C_F \frac{\mu}{(1-x)^2 P^z}.$$

#### Breakdown of factorization

• This two-loop diagram violates factorization

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$$\begin{split} &\int \frac{d^2 l_{1T}}{l_1^0} \underbrace{\frac{(2l_1+l_2)^{\mu} g^{\nu\lambda} + (l_2-l_1)^{\lambda} g^{\mu\nu} - (l_1+2l_2)^{\nu} g^{\mu\lambda}}{(l_1+l_2)^2} n_{\nu} n_{\lambda}}{(l_1+l_2)^2} \\ &\approx -\int \frac{d^2 l_{1T}}{l_1^0} \frac{g^{\mu+}}{l_2^+} - \int \frac{d^2 l_{1T}}{l_1^0} \frac{(l_2^z-l_1^z) n^{\mu}}{\sqrt{2}(l_1^0-l_1^z) l_2^+} + \int \frac{d^2 l_{1T}}{l_1^0} \frac{(l_1^z+2l_2^z) n^{\mu}}{\sqrt{2}(l_1^0-l_1^z) l_2^+} \end{split}$$

respect factorization subleading-power collinear div, not power suppressed  $lpha_s^2 \ln \mu \ln m_g^2$ 

• Z becomes IR div at two loops!

# Modified quasi PDF

• Non-dipolar Wilson links also resolve linear divergence

$$\tilde{q}(x,\mu,P^z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dz}{4\pi} e^{izk^z} \langle P|\psi(w)W_{n_2}^{\dagger}(w)\gamma^z W_{n_1}(0)\psi(0)|P\rangle$$
$$n_1 = (0,1,0,1) \text{ and } n_2 = (0,-1,0,1)$$

• 
$$\tilde{q}^{1c} = 0$$

- Subleading-power divergence is really power suppressed and neglected
- Factorization can be generalized to all orders

#### **Resummation technique**

See Jian's talk

#### Extreme kinematics

- QCD processes in extreme kinematic region, such as low p<sub>T</sub> and large x, generate double logs
- Limited phase space for real corrections
- Low  $p_{\mathsf{T}}$  jet, photon, W,... requires small  $p_{\mathsf{T}}$  real gluon emissions
- Top pair production requires large x

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# Double logs

- Large x demands soft real gluon emission
- Cancellation between virtual and real corrections is not exact
- Large double logs are produced,  $\alpha_s \ln^2(E/p_T), \alpha_s \ln(1-x)/(1-x)$ E being beam energy
- Sum logs to all orders---resummation
- Resummation improves perturbation

# Jet function in covariant gauge

• Quark jet function at amplitude level

$$J(p,n) = \left\langle 0 \left| P \exp \left[ ig \int_0^\infty dz \ n \cdot A(nz) \right] q(0) \right| p \right\rangle$$

![](_page_33_Figure_3.jpeg)

- NLO diagrams contain double logarithms
- Perform resummation in covariant gauge

# Key idea

- Derive differential equation  $p^+ dJ/dp^+ = CJ$
- C contains only single logarithm
- Treat C by RG equation
- Solve differential equation, and solution resums double logarithms
- J depends on Lorentz invariants p.n, n^2
- Feynman rules for Wilson lines show scale invariance in n,  $n_v/n \cdot l$
- J must depend on  $(p \cdot n)^2/n^2$

#### Derivative with respect to n

 Derivative with respect to p can be replaced by derivative with respect to n

$$p^{+} \frac{d}{dp^{+}} J = -\frac{n^{2}}{v \cdot n} v_{\alpha} \frac{d}{dn_{\alpha}} J$$

- Collinear dynamics independent of n
- Variation does not contain collinear dynamics, the reason why C contains only single logarithm
- Variation effect can be factorized

#### Special vertex

• n appears only in Wilson lines

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- If gluon momentum I parallel to p, v.l vanishes.
- Contraction of v with J, dominated by collinear dynamics, also vanishes

## Soft factorization

• Two-loop diagrams as example

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- If I flowing through special vertex is soft, but another is not, only 1<sup>st</sup> diagram dominates
- Another gluon with finite momentum smears soft divergence in other three diagrams

#### Soft kernel

Factorizing the soft gluon with eikonal approximation

$$\overline{\checkmark}_n \otimes \overline{\checkmark}$$

 If another gluon is also soft, we get twoloop soft kernel K

![](_page_38_Figure_4.jpeg)

# Hard factorization

- If I flowing through special vertex is hard, only 2<sup>nd</sup> diagram dominates,
- It suppresses others, as another gluon is not hard
- Factorize hard kernel with Fierz transformation

![](_page_39_Picture_4.jpeg)

• If both gluons are hard, they contribute to two-loop hard kernel

# **Differential equation**

Extending the factorization to all orders

 $p^+ \frac{d}{dp^+} J = [K(m/\mu, \alpha_s(\mu)) + G(p^+\nu/\mu, \alpha_s(\mu))]J]$ 

 Kernels K and G are described by

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#### Integrals for kernels

$$K = -ig^2 \mathcal{C}_F \mu^{\epsilon} \int \frac{d^{4-\epsilon}l}{(2\pi)^{4-\epsilon}} \frac{\hat{n}_{\mu}}{n \cdot l} \frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{l^2 - m^2} \frac{v_{\nu}}{v \cdot l} - \delta K$$

$$= -ig^{2}\mathcal{C}_{F}\mu^{\epsilon}\int \frac{d^{4-\epsilon}l}{(2\pi)^{4-\epsilon}} \frac{n^{2}}{(n\cdot l)^{2}(l^{2}-m^{2})} - \delta K$$

$$G = -ig^{2}\mathcal{C}_{F}\mu^{\epsilon}\int \frac{d^{4-\epsilon}l}{(2\pi)^{4-\epsilon}} \frac{\hat{n}_{\mu}}{n\cdot l} \frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{l^{2}} \left(\frac{\not p+l}{(p+l)^{2}}\gamma_{\nu} - \frac{v_{\nu}}{v\cdot l}\right)$$

 $-\delta G$ ,

- $\delta K$ ,  $\delta G$  additive counterterm
- Can derive kT resum, threshold resum, joint resum, and evolution equations...

# Summary

- $k_T$  factorization, more complicated than collinear factorization, has many difficulties
- TMD definition is one of them
- Rotation of Wilson links can be used to define TMD, quasi-PDF, derive resummation and evolution equations
- Non-dipolar Wilson links remove linear divergences in TMD and quasi-PDF, facilitate proof of kT factorization
- Should put modified quasi-PDF on lattice

#### Back-up slides

#### Modification 2

Soft subtraction

 $\frac{\langle N(P,\sigma) | \bar{q}_f(0, y^-, b) \frac{1}{2} \gamma^+ W(y^-, b, 0, 0_T) q_f(0, 0, 0_T) | N(P,\sigma) \rangle}{\langle 0 | W(y^-, b, 0, 0_T) W_u^{\dagger}(y^-, b, 0, 0_T) | 0 \rangle}$ 

• Numerator and denominator have the same light-cone singularities.

parton line eikonalized in u

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# Practical difficulty

- Modification 2 is useless in practice
- Light-cone singularities in numerator and denominator still need to be regularized first, before showing their cancellation
- Regularization by means of off-light-cone Wilson line then brings the same pinched singularity
- How to regularize pinched singularity still arises

# Another modification

- Reverse one of off-light-cone Wilson links
- Pinched singularity reduces 1to log singularity  $(n \cdot l + i\varepsilon)$
- Introduce soft subtraction to remove this log singularity

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#### Check evolution

• Evolution equation in Wilson-line rapidity from Collins' definition

$$\frac{d}{dy_2} \ln \phi^C(k'_+, k'_T, y_2) = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu) C_F}{\pi} \left[ \ln \left( \frac{2 k'_+ \bar{k}'_+}{\mu^2} \right) + 2 y_2 \right]$$

• From our definitions

factorization scale

 $\mu = p_{+}$ 

$$\frac{d}{dy_2} \ln \phi^L(k'_+, k'_T, y_2) = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu) C_F}{\pi} \left( \ln \frac{k'_+}{p_+} + 1 \right)$$

• They are equivalent at small x