Factorization

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 \bullet For an observable ${\mathcal A}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(\mathcal{A}) &= \sum_{a,b} \int_0^1 d\eta_{\rm a} \int_0^1 d\eta_{\rm b} \ f_{a/A}(\eta_{\rm a},\mu^2) f_{b/A}(\eta_{\rm b},\mu^2) \\ &\times \hat{\sigma}(a,b,\eta_{\rm a},\eta_{\rm b},\mathcal{A},\mu^2) \\ &+ \mathcal{O}(1 \ {\rm GeV}^2/Q^2(\mathcal{A})) \end{aligned}$$

- μ^2 is an adjustable factorization scale.
- $Q^2(\mathcal{A})$ is a hard scale corresponding to the observable \mathcal{S} .
- Errors are power suppressed when $Q^2(\mathcal{A})$ is large.

 $The \ observable$

$$\hat{\sigma}(a, b, \eta_{\mathrm{a}}, \eta_{\mathrm{b}}, \mathcal{A}, \mu^{2}) = \sum_{m} \frac{1}{m!} \int dy_{1} \prod_{j=2}^{m} \int dp_{\perp,j} \, dy_{j} \, d\phi_{j}$$

$$\times \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dy_{1} \, dp_{\perp,2} \, dy_{2} \, d\phi_{2} \cdots dp_{\perp,m} \, dy_{m} \, d\phi_{m}}$$

$$\times A_{m}(p_{1}, p_{2}, \dots p_{m})$$

- \mathcal{A} defines, for instance, two jets with given minimum P_{\perp} values, plus anything else.
- By adding flavor indices, we could describe leptons, photons.
- We can choose $A_m(p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_m)$ to be symmetric under interchange of its arguments.

Infrared safety

- For our discussion, \mathcal{A} needs to be infrared safe.
- We can be (a little) more precise by saying that \mathcal{A} is infrared safe at scale $Q^2(\mathcal{A})$.
- For partons m and m+1 becoming collinear,



when they are sufficiently collinear,

$$(p_m + p_{m+1})^2 < Q^2(\mathcal{A})$$

we ask that combining the partons leave \mathcal{A} unchanged:

$$A_{m+1}(p_1,\ldots,p_{m-1},p_m,p_{m+1}) \approx A_m(p_1,\ldots,p_{m-1},p)$$

• Also when one parton is becoming to aligned to the beam axis

 $p_{m+1,\perp}^2 < Q^2(\mathcal{A})$

we ask that leaving it out leaves \mathcal{A} unchanged:

$$A_{m+1}(p_1, \ldots, p_{m-1}, p_m, p_{m+1}) \approx A_m(p_1, \ldots, p_{m-1}, p_m)$$

The parton distribution functions

• Consider quarks.

$$f_{j/A}(\xi,\mu^2) = \int \frac{dw^-}{2\pi} e^{-i\xi P^+ w^-} \\ \times \langle P | \bar{\psi}(0,w^-,\mathbf{0}) \frac{1}{2} \gamma^+ W(w^-,0) \,\psi(0,0,\mathbf{0}) | P \rangle$$

where

$$W(w^{-},0) = P \exp\left(-\mathrm{i}g \int_{0}^{w^{-}} dy^{-} A_{a}^{+}(0,y^{-},\mathbf{0}) t_{a}\right)$$

or

$$W(w^{-}, 0) = W(\infty, w^{-})^{\dagger} W(\infty, 0)$$
.

 \bullet Renormalize with $\overline{\mathrm{MS}}$ subtractions.



Here n is a lightlike vector in the minus direction, $n = (0, 1, \mathbf{0})$ so that $n \cdot \varepsilon = \varepsilon^+$.

How can factorization be right?

- "Furthermore, we fully expect that the factorization breaking effects we have been discussing will cancel in inclusive observables..." Forsaw, Seymour, & Siódmok (2012)
- Is that right? Why?
- Consider the inclusive production of two high $P_{\rm T}$ jets in hadron collisions.

This analysis is mostly from J. C. Collins, D. E. Soper and G. F. Sterman, "Soft Gluons and Factorization," Nucl. Phys. B **308** (1988) 833.

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What happens to collinear gluons?





• Both the polarization vector ε and the gluon momentum q are mainly in the plus direction.

$$F \approx \frac{-gt_a 2k^- \varepsilon^+}{-2k^- q^+ + i\epsilon} = \frac{gt_a \varepsilon^+}{q^+}$$

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• This is the coupling to an eikonal line in the minus direction.



• Summing attachments to all of the lines gives



Integration regions



- We have taken care of the collinear gluons.
- Without the soft gluons, this factorizes.
- But soft gluons seem to ruin everything.



Decomposition into two parts

$$G_{\rm L} = \int \frac{d^4 k_{\rm A}}{(2\pi)^4} \left(\prod_l \int \frac{d^4 q_l}{(2\pi)^4} \right) \sum_{V} \sum_{C_{\rm A} \in \mathcal{A}(V)} X_{\rm A}^{(C_{\rm A})}(k_{\rm A}, q_l^{\alpha})^{\{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n\}} \sum_{C_{\rm R} \in \mathcal{R}(V)} R^{(C_{\rm R})}(k_{\rm A}, q_l^{\alpha})_{\{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n\}}$$

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- We sum over V, which designates which of the vertices connecting the soft gluons to J_A are to the left of the final state cut and which are to the right.
- Then we sum over the cuts of J_A and R that are consistent with V.



• Some simple approximations.

$$G_{\rm L} \approx \int \frac{dk_{\rm A}^- d\boldsymbol{k}_{\rm A}}{(2\pi)^3} \left(\prod_l \int \frac{dq_l^- d\boldsymbol{q}_l}{(2\pi)^3} \right) \sum_V \sum_{C_{\rm A} \in \mathcal{A}(V)} X_{\rm A}^{(C_{\rm A})} (k_{\rm jets}^+, k_{\rm A}^-, \boldsymbol{k}_{\rm A}, \hat{q}_l^\alpha)^{\{+,...,+\}} \times \int \frac{dk_{\rm R}^+}{2\pi} \left(\prod_l \int \frac{dq_l^+}{2\pi} \right) \sum_{C_{\rm R} \in \mathcal{R}(V)} X_{\rm C}^{(C_{\rm R})} (k_{\rm jets}^+ + k_{\rm R}^+, 0, \mathbf{0}, q_l^\alpha)_{\{+,...,+\}}$$

• $\hat{q} = (0, q^-, \boldsymbol{q})$

•
$$k_{\rm A}^+ = k_{\rm jets}^+ + k_{\rm R}^+$$
 but neglect $k_{\rm R}^+$ in $J_{\rm A}$.

• Omit the $\{+, \ldots, +\}$ from here on.

An unintuitive claim

• Define

$$\overline{R}(\hat{q}_l^{\alpha}; V) = \int \frac{dk_{\mathrm{R}}^+}{2\pi} \left(\prod_l \int \frac{dq_l^+}{2\pi} \right) \sum_{C_{\mathrm{R}} \in \mathcal{R}(V)} R^{(C_{\mathrm{R}})}(k_{\mathrm{jets}}^+ + k_{\mathrm{R}}^+, 0, \mathbf{0}, q_l^{\alpha})$$

• Claim: $\overline{R}(\hat{q}_l^{\alpha}; V)$ is independent of V.



• In \overline{R} , we perform the integrations over loop momenta k^+ and rearrange the result with partial fractions so as to produce K^+ denominators, one for each intermediate state ξ .





• Use the unitarity identity.



- If N = 1, so that there are no final state interactions, then the integral over $k_{\rm R}^+$ gives 1.
- If N > 1, integration over k_R^+ gives ≈ 0 .
- The contribution from final state interactions is power suppressed.

• With no final state interactions, we need only look at the initial state factors



- These factors are not affected by the choice of V.
- Thus \overline{R} is independent of V.

Analysis of the A-jet

• The soft gluon connections seem to mess up factorization.



• Here is a simple example.



• In J_A , we perform the integrations over loop momenta $k^$ and rearrange the result with partial fractions so as to produce K^- denominators, one for each intermediate state ξ .



• Intermediate state P^- values:

$$D_{\xi} = -\sum_{l < \xi} q_{l}^{-} + \sum_{j \in \xi} \frac{k_{j}^{2}}{2k_{j}^{+}}, \qquad \xi < H$$

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• Factors for final state intermediate states.

$$f_{\xi} = \frac{1}{-k_{A}^{-} - D_{\xi} + i\epsilon}, \qquad H < \xi < C$$

$$f_{\xi} = 2\pi\delta(-k_{A}^{-} - D_{\xi}), \qquad \xi = C$$

$$f_{\xi} = \frac{1}{-k_{A}^{-} - D_{\xi} - i\epsilon}, \qquad C < \xi < H'$$

• Factors for initial state intermediate states.

$$f_{\xi} = \frac{1}{-D_{\xi} + i\epsilon} , \qquad \xi < H$$
$$f_{\xi} = \frac{1}{-D_{\xi} - i\epsilon} , \qquad H' < \xi$$

• Use the unitarity identity:

$$\sum_{C=1}^{N} \prod_{\xi=C+1}^{N} \frac{1}{-k_{A}^{-} - D_{\xi} - i\epsilon} 2\pi\delta(-k_{A}^{-} - D_{C}) \prod_{\xi=1}^{C-1} \frac{1}{-k_{A}^{-} - D_{\xi} + i\epsilon}$$
$$= i \prod_{\xi=1}^{N} \frac{1}{-k_{A}^{-} - D_{\xi} + i\epsilon} - i \prod_{\xi=1}^{N} \frac{1}{-k_{A}^{-} - D_{\xi} - i\epsilon}$$

- If N = 1, so that there are no final state interactions, then the integral over $k_{\rm A}^-$ gives 1.
- If N > 1, integration over k_A^- gives ≈ 0 .
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• With no final state interactions, we need only look at the initial state factors

$$f_{\xi} = \frac{1}{\sum_{l < \xi} q_l^- - \sum_{j \in \xi} k_j^2 / (2k_j^+) + i\epsilon}, \qquad \xi < H$$

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- We have $q_l^- + i\epsilon$ in the denominators.
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- Then look at the original Feynman representation for the integral on this deformed contour.
- q_l^- multiplies a large +-momentum.
- It is a good approximation to set q to zero.
- Restore the integration contours to the real q_l^- axes.

• Contributions from crossing final state poles must cancel.

Apply Grammer-Yennie approximation

• We now have

with

$$J_{\rm A}^{(C_{\rm A})}(k_{\rm jets}^+, k_{\rm A}^-, \boldsymbol{k}_{\rm A}, \tilde{q}_l^{\alpha})^{\{+,...,+\}}$$

$$\tilde{q} = (0, q^-, \mathbf{0})$$

• We can apply the Grammer-Yennie soft gluon approximation

$$J_{A}^{(C_{A})}(k_{jets}^{+}, k_{A}^{-}, \boldsymbol{k}_{A}, \tilde{q}_{l}^{\alpha})^{\{+,...,+\}}$$

= $J_{A}^{(C_{A})}(k_{jets}^{+}, k_{A}^{-}, \boldsymbol{k}_{A}, \tilde{q}_{l}^{\alpha})_{\mu_{1},...,\mu_{N}} \frac{\tilde{q}_{1}^{\mu_{1}} \cdots \tilde{q}_{N}^{\mu_{N}}}{(q_{1}^{-} - i\epsilon) \cdots (q_{N}^{-} - i\epsilon)}$

• After some analysis, one gets



- The soft gluons are factored out.
- The soft gluons have zero transverse resolution.
- So they see a color singlet jet before the hard interaction.
- After the hard interaction, they see a color non-singlet jet.
- Actually, the soft gluon factor is 1.

Conclusion

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