

Glauber Quarks in Backward Scattering

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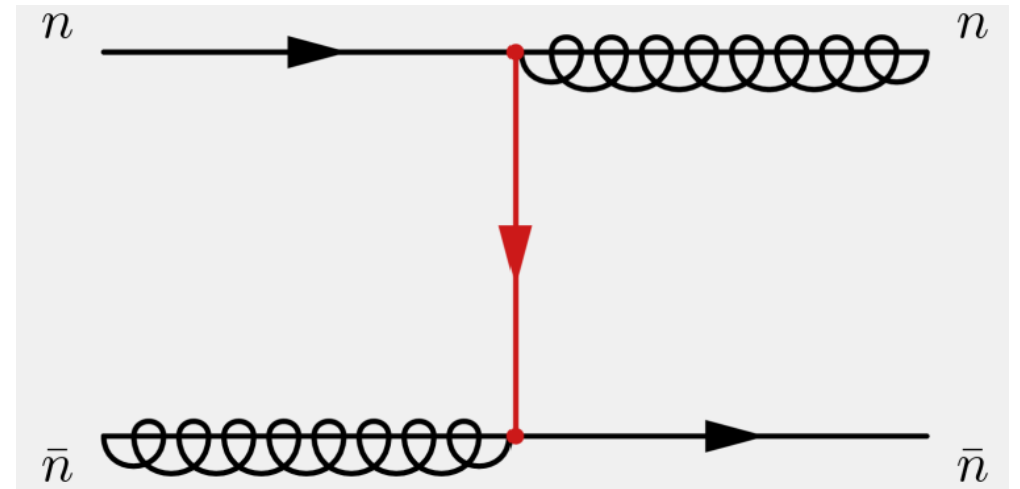
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And ongoing work with X.Y. Zhang (Harvard University)

Outline

- Motivation
- Backscattering and Glauber Quarks
- SCET and Glauber Modes
- Application to Back Scattering Resummation
- Conclusion



Motivation : Compton Scattering Cross Section

- $e^- \gamma \rightarrow e^- \gamma$ (Compton) scattering has a weird feature. Large Log in a tree level process!

$$\frac{1}{s} \int d\Pi_2 \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{[Feynman diagrams: tree-level Compton scattering and a loop diagram]} \end{array} \right|^2 = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{s} \left[\ln \frac{s}{m_e^2} + \dots \right]$$

- No well defined lower order process that radiatively generates this log.
- What's going on? Why this large log? Can we resum this large log in the *total inclusive cross section*?
 $\sigma(e^- \gamma \rightarrow e^- (+n\gamma))$
- Let's see what higher order FO computations tell us.

Motivation : Total Cross Sections in QED

- *Total* cross sections of **all** $2 \rightarrow 2(+1)$ processes in QED show this novel enhancement

$$\sigma(e^- \gamma \rightarrow e^- \gamma(+\gamma)) = \sigma_{\text{LO}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha L^2}{2\pi} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha L}{2\pi} + \frac{17}{4} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \dots \right]$$

Phenomenologically relevant!
Correction $\sim 8.5\%$ @ 1 GeV
 $\sim 30\%$ @ 1 TeV

R.N. Lee, M.D. Schwartz, X.Y. Zhang (2021)

$$\sigma_{\text{LO}} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{s} L, \quad L \equiv \ln\left(\frac{s}{m_e^2}\right) \gg 1$$

- Log series $\sim (\alpha L^2)^n$. Sudakov log of soft/collinear origin? Since this is an inclusive total cross section, unclear
- Interesting to understand this theoretically as well. How fast do total cross sections grow in the high energy limit? (Froissart bound)
- What region in phase space is responsible for this large log?

Backward Scattering

$$\left| \begin{array}{c} \longrightarrow \\ \text{-----} \\ \text{-----} \\ \longleftarrow \\ \text{-----} \\ \text{-----} \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \right|^2 \sim \frac{1}{-t} \sim \frac{1}{1 + \cos \theta_e}$$

- Backward scattering gives large contribution



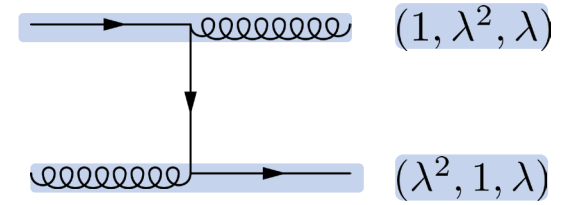
- Electron mass cutoff singularity and generates the large log

$$\int_{-m_e^2}^s \frac{dt}{-t} \sim L$$

- Previous work has explored this limit at amplitude level (virtual cross section) (Ashoke Sen (1985))
- Can we work in $m_e = 0$ limit? Differential cross section for large angle scattering (Arbuzov, et al. 2011) is IR finite in this limit. Only LL correct, so needs improvement
- Setup EFT to explore this $m = 0$ backscattering limit. What are the modes?

Backward Scattering : Glauber Quarks

- Outgoing and incoming particles have **collinear scaling**



- t channel electron is offshell and subdominant scaling to collinear.

$$p_e \lesssim Q(1, \lambda^2, \lambda)$$

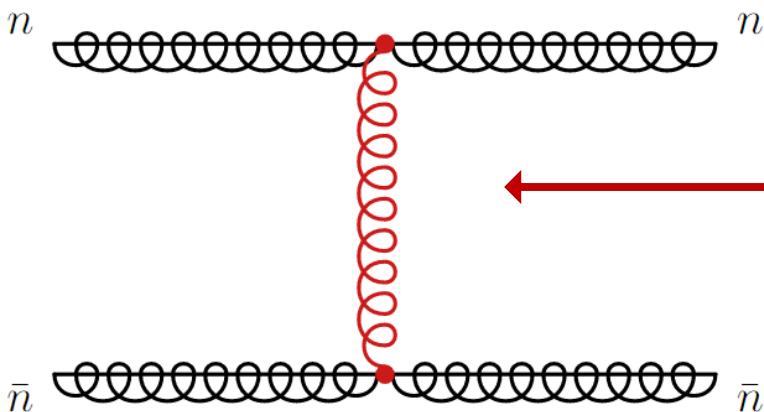
$$p_e \lesssim Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda)$$



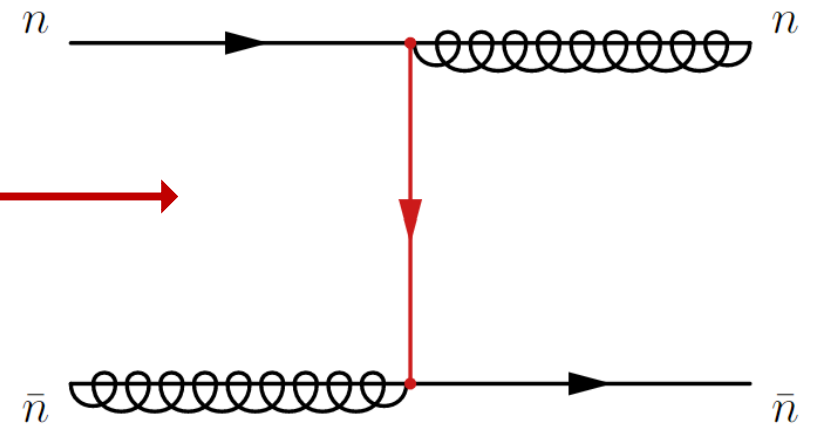
$$\text{Glauber} \implies p_e \sim Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda)$$

- EFT description of backscattering region \implies SCET + **Glauber modes**

- Regge Limit of QCD
- Small x Resummation
- BFKL Evolution

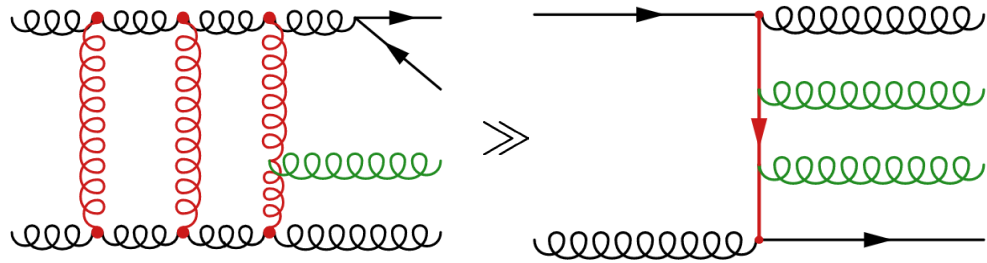


$$(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda)$$



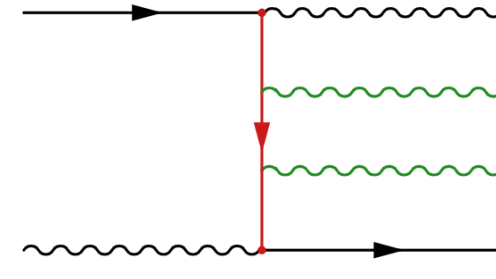
$$\lambda^2 \sim \frac{-t}{s} \sim \frac{1+\cos\theta}{2}, \quad \theta \approx \pi$$

Glauber Physics: QED vs QCD



$$\sigma \sim \frac{1}{m^2} \left(\alpha_s \ln^2 \frac{s}{m^2} \right)^n + \frac{1}{s} \left(\alpha_s \ln^2 \frac{s}{m^2} \right)^n$$

(Catani, Ciafaloni, Hautmann (1991))
(Ball, Ellis (2000))

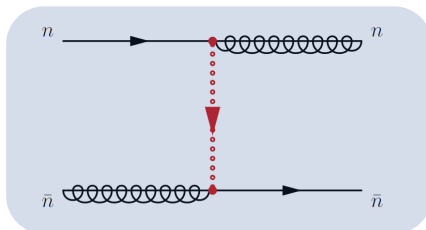
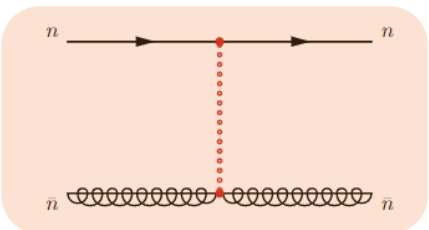


$$\sigma \sim \frac{1}{s} \left(\alpha \ln^2 \frac{s}{m_e^2} \right)^n$$

- **Glauber Gluons** are power enhanced compared to **Glauber Quarks**
- Treatment of forward/backward scattering in QCD needs careful treatment of PDFs and non-perturbative contributions
- **Glauber Photons** give rise to Coulomb phase, simple exponentiation
- **Glauber Electrons** give rise to large logs in the cross section at *leading power* in QED
- Theory fully perturbative in backward/forward scattering region

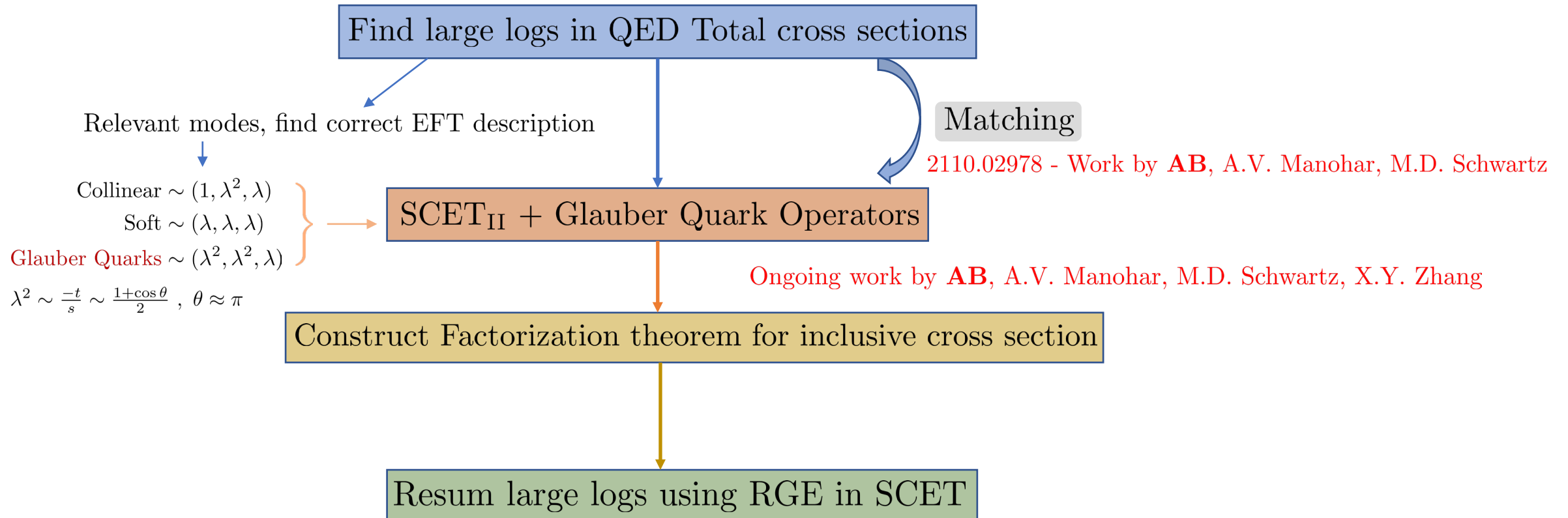
In particular $qg \rightarrow qg$ is dominated by forward scattering mediated by Glauber gluons while

$e\gamma \rightarrow e\gamma$ is dominated by backward scattering mediated by Glauber electron (quark)

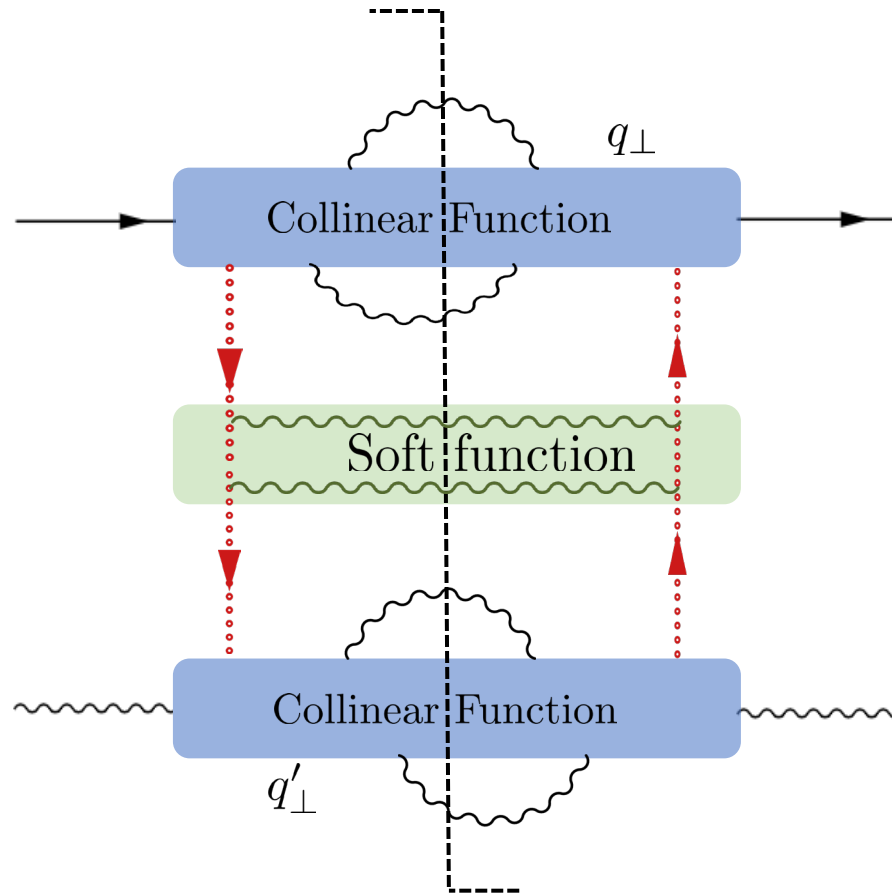


\implies QED is a better testbed to flesh out Glauber quark physics

Resumming Logs in Inclusive Cross section using Glaubers



Prelude: Factorization for Inclusive Cross Section



- Expect a factorization theorem as follows

Rothstein and Stewart (2016)

$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{d^2q_\perp d^2q'_\perp} = C_n(q_\perp, p_e \cdot \bar{n}) \times S(q_\perp, q'_\perp) \times C_n(q'_\perp, p_\gamma \cdot n)$$

$$C_n(q_\perp, p_e \cdot \bar{n}) \sim \frac{1}{q_\perp^2} \sum_{X_n} \langle e^- | \mathcal{O}_n | \gamma, X_n \rangle \langle \gamma, X_n | \mathcal{O}_n | e^- \rangle$$

$$S(q_\perp, q'_\perp) \sim \sum_{X_s} \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_s | X_s \rangle \langle X_s | \mathcal{O}_s | 0 \rangle$$

$$C_{\bar{n}}(q_\perp, p_e \cdot \bar{n}) \sim \frac{1}{q'_\perp{}^2} \sum_{X_{\bar{n}}} \langle \gamma | \mathcal{O}_{\bar{n}} | e^-, X_{\bar{n}} \rangle \langle e^-, X_{\bar{n}} | \mathcal{O}_{\bar{n}} | \gamma \rangle$$

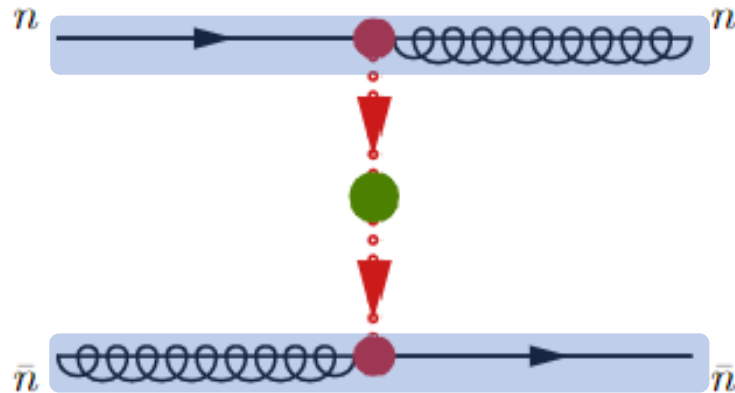
- No hard function? Clear from the matching computation (next)

Matching to SCET + Glauber Quarks

- Glauber modes talk to all other modes. Additional operators in the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_n + \mathcal{L}_{\bar{n}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{soft}} + \mathcal{O}_n \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}_\perp^a} \mathcal{O}_s \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}_\perp^a} \mathcal{O}_{\bar{n}} + \dots$$

Glauber Gluons $a = 2$,
Glauber Quarks $a = 1$



Collinear $\sim (1, \lambda^2, \lambda)$

Soft $\sim (\lambda, \lambda, \lambda)$

Glauber Quarks $\sim (\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda)$

- Include these operators, compute $qg \rightarrow qg$ in backscattering limit of QCD and SCET
- Does SCET + Glauber quark capture entire IR dynamics of QCD(QED) in backscattering limit?

SCET+Glauber Modes : Lagrangian & Operators

- Operator basis for Glauber gluons first worked out by [I.Z. Rothstein & I.W. Stewart \(2016\)](#)

$$\mathcal{O}_{ns\bar{n}}^{ij} = \mathcal{O}_n^{iB} \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}_\perp^2} \mathcal{O}_s^{BC} \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}_\perp^2} \mathcal{O}_{\bar{n}}^{jC}$$

Collinear-Soft-Collinear

i, j parton forward scattering

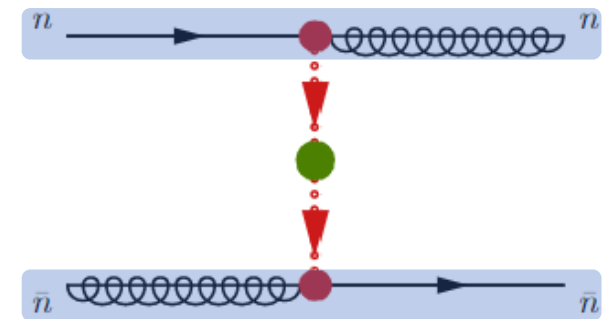
$$\mathcal{O}_{ns}^{ij} = \mathcal{O}_n^{iB} \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}_\perp^2} \mathcal{O}_s^{jB}$$

Collinear-Soft

- Tree level operators needed for Glauber quark exchange worked out by [I. Moult, M. Solon, I.W. Stewart, G. Vita \(2017\)](#)

$$\mathcal{O}_T = \bar{\chi}_n \mathcal{B}_{n\perp} \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}_\perp} \mathcal{O}_s \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}_\perp} \mathcal{B}_{\bar{n}\perp} \chi_{\bar{n}}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_s = -2\pi\alpha_s \left[S_{\bar{n}}^\dagger S_n \mathcal{P}_\perp + \mathcal{P}_\perp S_{\bar{n}}^\dagger S_n - S_{\bar{n}}^\dagger S_n g \mathcal{B}_{S\perp}^n - g \mathcal{B}_{S\perp}^{\bar{n}} S_{\bar{n}}^\dagger S_n \right]$$



- Suffices for tree level matching; More operators needed at one-loop level since collinear operators have non-trivial spin structure

Glauber Quark Operators: Complete Basis

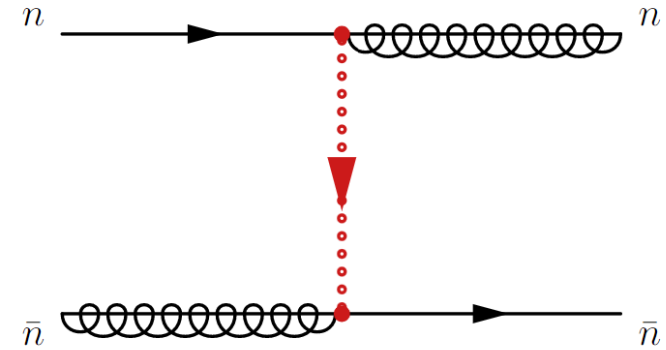
$$\mathcal{O}_{FG} = C_T \mathcal{O}_T + C_{L1} \mathcal{O}_{L1} + C_{L2} \mathcal{O}_{L2} + C_{L3} \mathcal{O}_{L3} + C_{L4} \mathcal{O}_{L4}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{L1} = \bar{\chi}_n \not{\mathcal{B}}_{n\perp} \frac{1}{\not{\mathcal{P}}_{\perp}} \mathcal{O}_s \frac{1}{\not{\mathcal{P}}_{\perp}^2} \chi_{\bar{n}} (\mathcal{P}_{\perp} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{\bar{n}\perp}), \quad (1)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{L2} = \bar{\chi}_n (\mathcal{P}_{\perp} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{n\perp}) \frac{1}{\not{\mathcal{P}}_{\perp}^2} \mathcal{O}_s \frac{1}{\not{\mathcal{P}}_{\perp}} \not{\mathcal{B}}_{\bar{n}\perp} \chi_{\bar{n}}, \quad (2)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{L3} = \bar{\chi}_n (\mathcal{P}_{\perp} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{n\perp}) \frac{1}{\not{\mathcal{P}}_{\perp}^2} \mathcal{O}_s \frac{1}{\not{\mathcal{P}}_{\perp}^2} (\mathcal{P}_{\perp} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{\bar{n}\perp}) \chi_{\bar{n}}, \quad (3)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{L4} = \bar{\chi}_n \mathcal{B}_{n\perp}^{\mu} \frac{1}{\not{\mathcal{P}}_{\perp}} \mathcal{O}_s \frac{1}{\not{\mathcal{P}}_{\perp}} \mathcal{B}_{\bar{n}\perp\mu} \chi_{\bar{n}}. \quad (4)$$



- Tree level matching to $qg \rightarrow qg$ backscattering in QCD gives

$$C_T = 1 \quad C_{L1} = C_{L2} = C_{L3} = C_{L4} = 0$$

- $\mathcal{O}_{L1}, \mathcal{O}_{L2}$ generated at one-loop level. Needed to maintain Ward identity for all external polarization vectors (QED)
- What are the Wilson coefficients at one loop level?

One Loop Matching : Ingredients

Regulator choices a bit involved at one loop

Rapidity Divergences



η regulator

$$\int_0^{p^-} \frac{dk^-}{k^-}$$

$$\left(\frac{\nu}{k^-}\right)^\eta, \left(\frac{\nu}{|2k_z|}\right)^\eta.$$

Chiu, et al. (2012)

UV divergences



Dim reg

IR Divergences

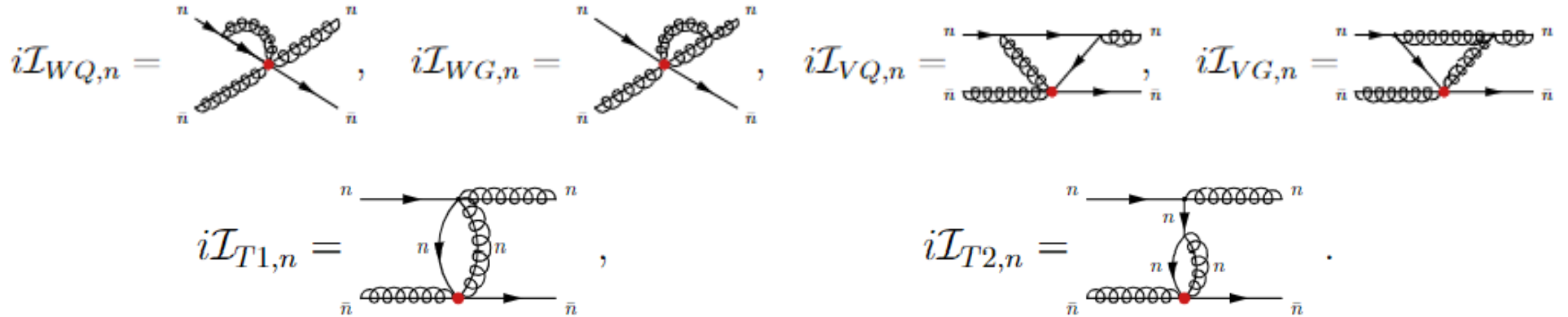


Dim reg

Previous work used gluon mass regulator (Rothstein and Stewart (2016)
Moult, et al. (2017))

Does not regulate all IR divergences when $m_g = 0$

Collinear Loops



- T graphs vanish as in gluonic case

$\mathcal{I}_{n,\text{coll}}$

$$= -\frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} T^a T^b C_F \left[\frac{2}{\eta} \left\{ \frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} \right\} + \frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} + \frac{2 + 2 \ln \frac{\nu}{Q}}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + 2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} \ln \frac{\nu}{Q} + 3 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} - \frac{2\pi^2}{3} + 8 \right] \mathcal{M}_T$$

$$- \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} T^a T^b C_A \left[-\frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} + \frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}^2} + \frac{1 + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t}}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + \frac{1}{2} \ln^2 \frac{\mu^2}{-t} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} - 1 \right] \mathcal{M}_T - \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} T^a T^b 2(C_A - C_F) \mathcal{M}_{L1}$$

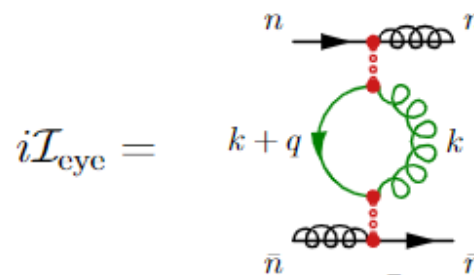
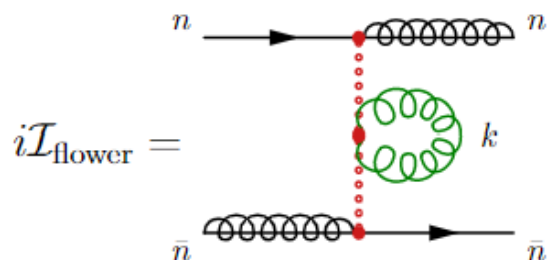
$$+ \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} T^a T^b C_A \left[\frac{1}{4\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} + \frac{1}{4} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} + 1 \right] \left(\mathcal{M}_{1\bar{n}} + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{M}_{q12} \right) .$$

Matches collinear rapidity anomalous dimension computed by Moulton, et al. (2017)

New operators generated beyond tree level

Non-gauge invariant piece; Critically removed by Collinear-Soft Zero Bin

Soft Loops and Glauber Boxes

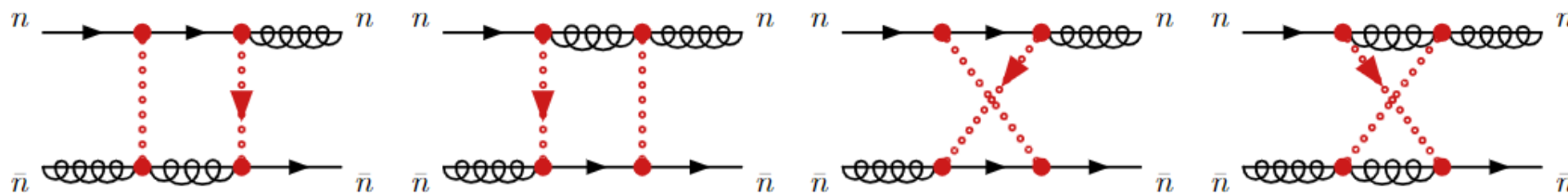


$$\mathcal{I}_{\text{soft}} = \mathcal{I}_{\text{eye}} + \mathcal{I}_{\text{flower}}$$

$$= \frac{2g^2 C_F}{16\pi^2} T^a T^b \left[\frac{1}{\eta} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + 2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} \right) - \frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}^2} - \frac{\ln \frac{\mu^2}{\nu^2}}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + \frac{3}{2\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} - \frac{1}{2} \ln^2 \frac{\mu^2}{-t} + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} \ln \frac{\nu^2}{-t} + \frac{3}{2} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \frac{7}{2} \right] \mathcal{M}_T.$$

Soft sector gauge invariant, analogous to gluon case

Matches soft rapidity anomalous dimension computed by Moult, et al. (2017)



- Time ordered product with Glauber Gluon operators generates pure phases, computed previously

$$\mathcal{I}_{\text{boxes}} = \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} \delta^{ab} \delta_{ij} \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} \right] (i\pi).$$

Glauber/ Coulomb Phase

Full One Loop Matching

- Collinear + Soft + Glauber – Zero Bins

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} C_F \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\text{UV}}} - \frac{2}{\varepsilon_{\text{IR}}^2} - \frac{4 + 2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2}}{\varepsilon_{\text{IR}}} - 2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} + \ln^2 \frac{\mu^2}{-t} - 3 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} + \frac{7\pi^2}{6} - 9 \right] \mathcal{M}_T(T^a T^b)_{ij} \\
 &+ \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} C_A \left[\frac{2}{\varepsilon_{\text{UV}}} - \frac{2}{\varepsilon_{\text{IR}}^2} - \frac{2 + 2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t}}{\varepsilon_{\text{IR}}} - \ln^2 \frac{\mu^2}{-t} + \frac{\pi^2}{6} + 2 \right] \mathcal{M}_T(T^a T^b)_{ij} \\
 &- \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} (C_A - C_F) (2\mathcal{M}_{L1} + 2\mathcal{M}_{L2}) (T^a T^b)_{ij} + \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} \delta^{ab} \delta_{ij} \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\text{IR}}} + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} \right] (i\pi).
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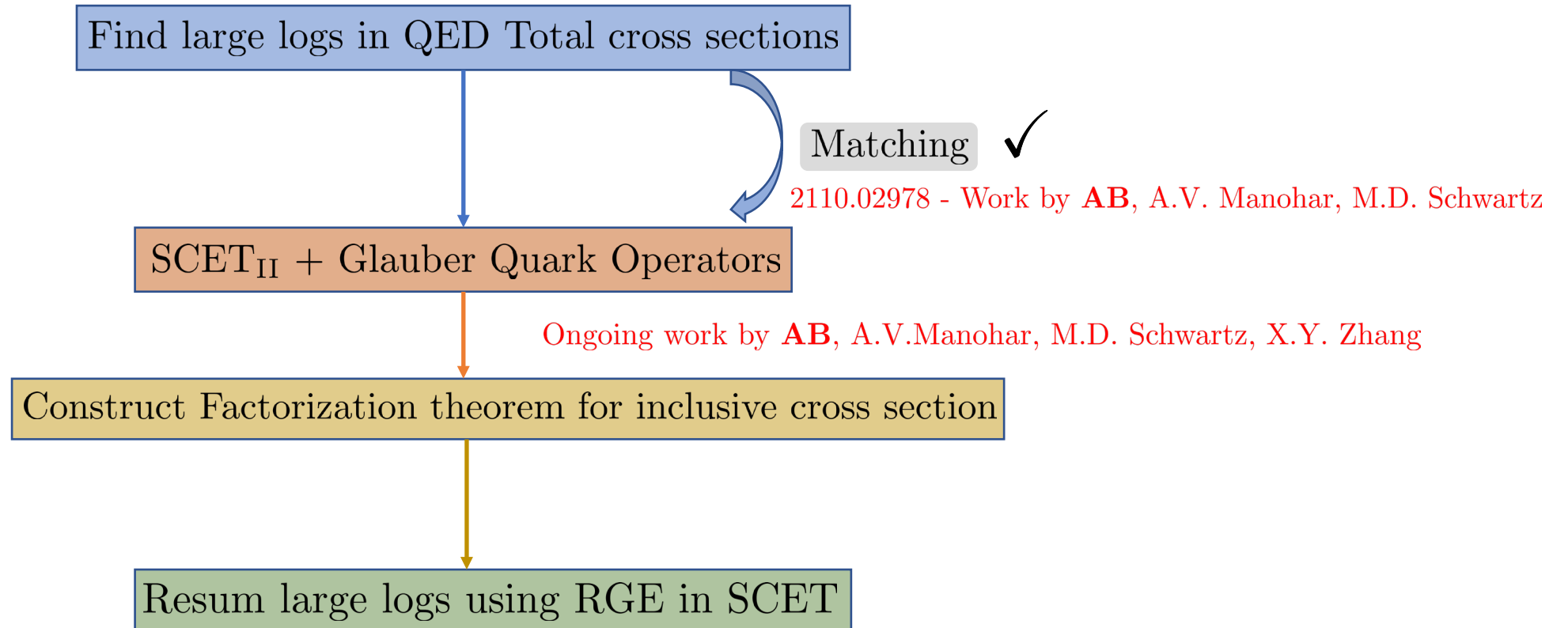
= QCD Backscattering limit for all polarizations

- One loop matching is same as tree level (i.e.)

$$C_T = 1 \qquad C_{L1} = C_{L2} = C_{L3} = C_{L4} = 0$$

- SCET_{II} + Glauber Quark Operators describes backward scattering in QCD
- Tree level Wilson coefficient suffices as there is no hard scale in the matching (same argument as for gluons by [Rothstein and Stewart \(2016\)](#))

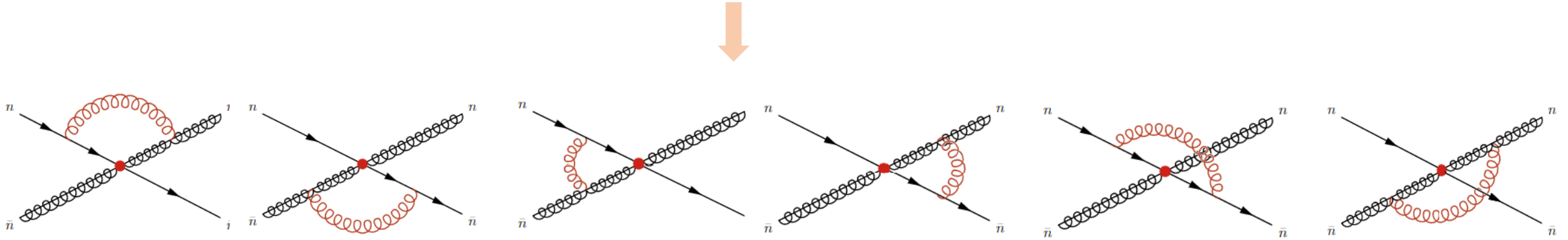
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Matching in SCET_I : Ultrasoft modes

- What happens when one includes ultrasoft modes ($\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda^2$)?

New Wilson line graphs involving ultrasoft gluons

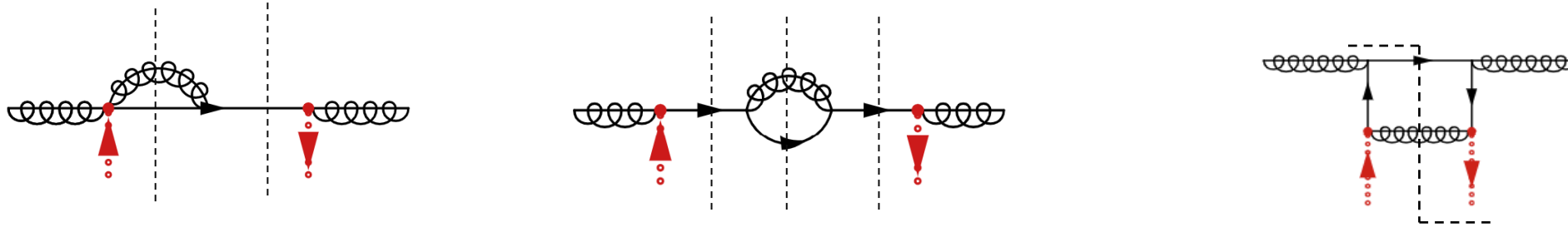


- With offshellness as regulator, US zero-bin subtracts parts of collinear, soft and Glauber loops
- Matching doesn't change in SCET_I (i.e.)

$$C_T = 1$$

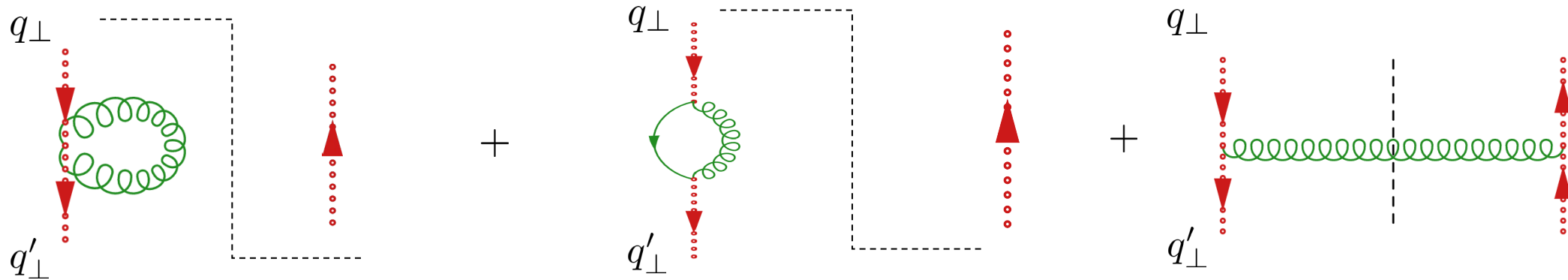
$$C_{L1} = C_{L2} = C_{L3} = C_{L4} = 0$$

Collinear Function



- Computation of real graphs is slightly involved due to injection of Glauber momentum from vertex.
- Differs from inclusive jet function; differential *only* in final state perp momentum
- Get new real graphs which have no virtual counterpart
- All other graphs with virtual counterparts seem to cancel when $m_e = 0$

Soft Function



$$S^{(1)}(q_{\perp}, q'_{\perp}) = S^{(0)}(q_{\perp}, q'_{\perp}) \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{\mu^2}{q_{\perp}^2}\right)^2 + \ln\left(\frac{\mu^2}{q_{\perp}^2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{\nu^2}{q_{\perp}^2}\right) + \dots \right] + \frac{64\pi^2 \alpha^3}{(q_{\perp} + q'_{\perp})_+^2} \ln\left(\frac{\nu^2}{(q_{\perp} + q'_{\perp})^2}\right) + \dots$$

- Find an IR finite result. Rapidity divergences renormalized using BFKL (Moult, et al. 2017)
- Integration over q'_{\perp} to get the full inclusive cross section drives one out of the EFT. Is that justified?
- There is also a non-trivial RG play at work. Rapidity RGE (BFKL) of collinear / soft function gives $(\alpha L)^n$ series, which is at odds with the $(\alpha L^2)^n$ series in cross section. What gives ?

Applications to Backscattering

- Virtual Graphs from SCET

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \sim \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left[\dots - 2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{s} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-t} + \ln^2 \frac{\mu^2}{-t} + \dots \right] \frac{\tilde{\sigma}_{LO}}{-t}$$

- Natural scale from matching $\mu^2 \sim s$ gives

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{LO} \times \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \int_{-s}^{-m_e^2} \frac{dt}{-t} \ln^2 \frac{s}{-t} = \sigma_{LO} \left[\frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha L^2}{2\pi} \right]$$

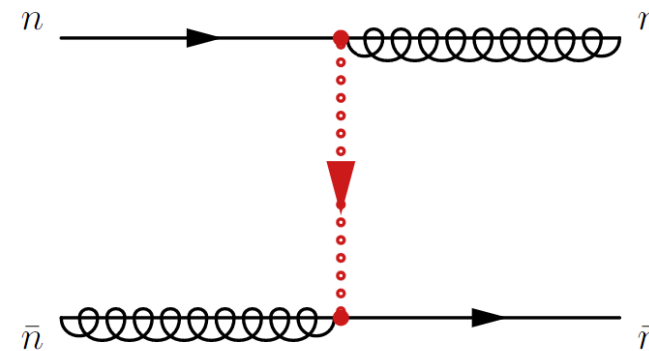
← Already hints at LL in total cross sections

$$\sigma(e^- \gamma \rightarrow e^- \gamma (+\gamma)) = \sigma_{LO} \left[1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha L^2}{2\pi} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha L}{2\pi} + \frac{17}{4} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \dots \right]$$

$$\sigma(e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma \gamma (+\gamma)) = \sigma_{LO} \left[1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha L^2}{2\pi} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha L}{2\pi} + \left(\frac{2\pi^2}{3} - 2 \right) \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \dots \right]$$

$$\sigma(\gamma \gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^- (+\gamma)) = 2\sigma_{LO} \left[1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha L^2}{2\pi} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha L}{2\pi} + \left(6 - \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \right) \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \dots \right]$$

- Possibly exponentiates as $\exp\left(\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \ln^2 \frac{s}{-t}\right)$. Need to check this via factorization



Future Work

- Real contributions do not seem to match virtual ones in collinear function computation. Find sum is zero. How does the resummation work?
- All apparent RGEs (such as rapidity/ BFKL) seem to be summing single logs $(\alpha L)^n$, while we have a double log series $(\alpha L^2)^n$ at hand. What gives?
- Does setting $m = 0$ in the intermediate steps allowed? Is the factorization completely independent of the mass at the end even if we set $m \neq 0$ in the intermediate steps?

Thanks for listening! Questions?

Backup Slides

- All $2 \rightarrow 2$ inclusive cross sections in QED exhibit the same LL, NLL

$$\sigma(e^- \gamma \rightarrow e^- \gamma(+\gamma)) = \sigma_{\text{LO}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha L^2}{2\pi} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha L}{2\pi} + \frac{17}{4} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \dots \right] \quad (1)$$

$$\sigma(e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma \gamma(+\gamma)) = \sigma_{\text{LO}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha L^2}{2\pi} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha L}{2\pi} + \left(\frac{2\pi^2}{3} - 2 \right) \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \dots \right] \quad (2) \quad \text{R.N.Lee (2020)}$$

$$\sigma(\gamma \gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^- (+\gamma)) = 2\sigma_{\text{LO}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha L^2}{2\pi} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha L}{2\pi} + \left(6 - \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \right) \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \dots \right] \quad (3) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Abelian limit of } gg \rightarrow t\bar{t} \\ \text{M Czakon, A Mitov (2008)} \end{array}$$