

Gauge Invariance of Radiative Jet function

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Background and Motivation:

**Why do we study the radiative jet functions
and their gauge invariance**

NLP SCET Factorization and radiative jet functions

- In line with the progress in precision in the experiments, it becomes increasingly important to include next-to-leading power (NLP) contributions.
- However, new features emerge in NLP that are not present at LP. In particular, **soft-quark fields** start to play a role at NLP.
- In NLP SCET factorization, the hard-collinear parts are described by the **radiative jet functions** that contain couplings between soft quarks and hard-collinear quarks.
- The analyses of the radiative jet functions at $O(\lambda)$ have been carried out for $H \rightarrow (b\bar{b}) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and leptonic B decay. [Bosch, Hill, Lange, Neubert, 2003](#)
[Liu, Neubert, 2020](#)
- In this work, we **extend** the study of the radiative jet functions **beyond** $O(\lambda)$, and, specifically, we discuss the property of **gauge invariance** of the radiative jet functions.

Why GI of radiative jet functions?

- To obtain the anomalous dimensions for the radiative jet functions, we need to compute the 1-loop corrections and identify the divergences.
- Since radiative jet functions and the operators in them are constructed to be gauge invariant from the start, it would be expected that one could choose a convenient gauge (e.g. the light-cone gauge), in which calculations are simpler.
- However, in the course of this study, we have found an unusual feature in the implementation of gauge invariance of the radiative jet functions.
- I show that, in order to render the radiative jet function gauge invariant, one must include certain contributions that contains **a soft quark propagator**.
- This soft propagator is canceled by a **gauge term** in the gluon propagator, leaving a purely hard-collinear contribution.

Standard SCET Notation

- In this analysis, we have chosen the **position-space** formalism of SCET.

$$r^\mu = \bar{n} \cdot r \frac{n^\mu}{2} + n \cdot r \frac{\bar{n}^\mu}{2} + r_\perp^\mu \quad r^\mu = (r^+, r^-, r_\perp)$$

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 r^+ r^-

for n -collinear momenta $r^+ \gg r^-$

- The standard power counting for the n -hard-collinear and soft momenta:

$$r_{hc}^\mu \sim Q(1, \lambda^2, \lambda) \quad r_s^\mu \sim Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda^2) \quad \lambda = \sqrt{m/Q}$$

Motivation for the appearance of hard-collinear mode:

A soft momentum flows through a hard-collinear momentum and holds it off shell by power $O(\lambda^2)$

m : a heavy quark mass

Q : a hard scale

- Standard notation and power counting for the quark and gluon fields:

$$\xi_n \sim O(\lambda) \quad q \sim O(\lambda^3) \quad G_n \sim r_{hc}$$

Gauge invariance of a subleading power SCET Lagrangian

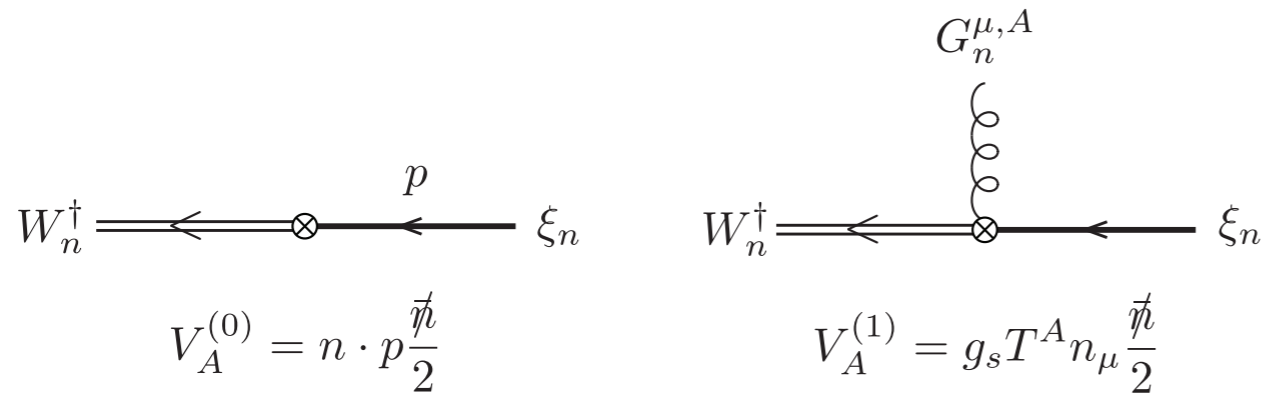
An NLP SCET Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{(2)}(x) = \bar{q}(x^+) \left(W_n^\dagger i n \cdot D \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n \right) (x)$$

- This Lagrangian describes a coupling between a soft quark and a hard-collinear quark.
- This is power suppressed $O(\lambda^2)$.
It is suppressed relative to the LP SCET Lagrangian because $\xi_n \sim O(\lambda) \rightarrow q \sim O(\lambda^3)$
Also, we can show that with $d^4x \sim O(\lambda^{-4})$ and $in \cdot D \sim O(\lambda^2) \rightarrow \lambda^{3+2+1-4} = \lambda^2$
- In keeping with consistent power counting, the position argument of q is multipole expanded.
- This Lagrangian is formally soft and hard-collinear gauge invariant.
- However, we will find out that the gauge invariance must be implemented in an unusual way.

$q\xi_n G_n$ Interaction at $O(g_s)$

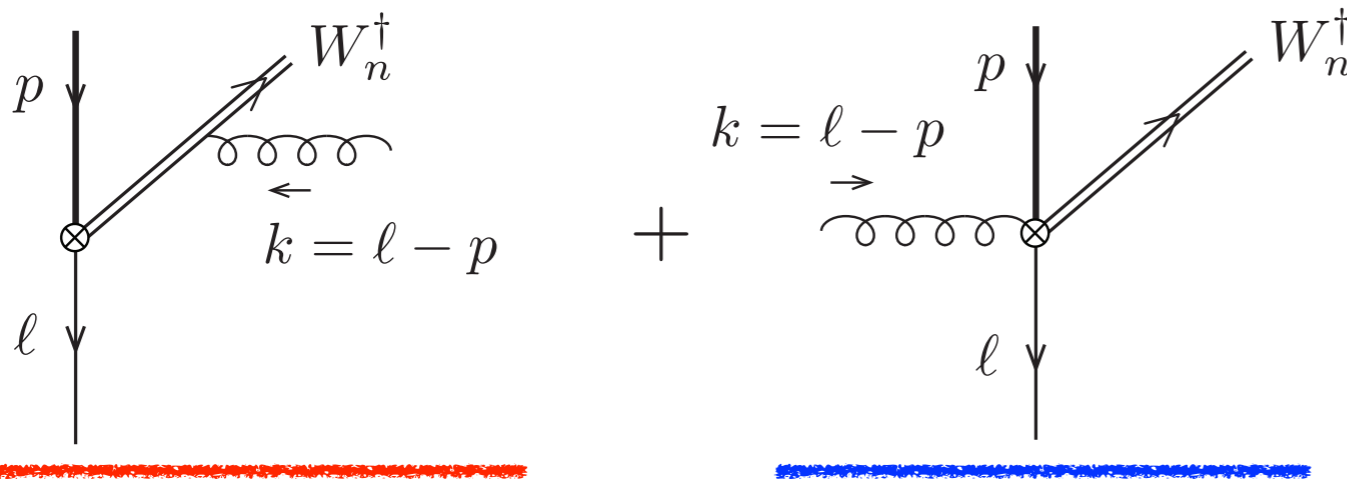
- The Feynman rule for the crossed vertex for $\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{(2)}$ is



$$\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{(2)}(x) = \bar{q}(x^+) \left(\underline{W_n^\dagger i n \cdot D \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n} \right) (x)$$

gives the crossed vertex V_A

- Let us consider the vertex for $\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{(2)}$ at $O(g_s)$



p : hard-collinear quark momentum
 l : soft quark momentum
 $k = p - l$: hard-collinear gluon momentum

- The resulting amplitude is

$$A_1 = \epsilon^\mu(k) \left[\frac{(-ig_s)(i)\bar{n}_\mu}{\bar{n} \cdot k + i\varepsilon} n \cdot p + g_s n_\mu \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} P_n \dots$$

Ward identities

- We can work out the Ward identities for these amplitudes by

$$\epsilon^\mu(k) \rightarrow \epsilon^\mu(k) + k^\mu$$

The contributions of the gauge term should vanish to ensure gauge invariance

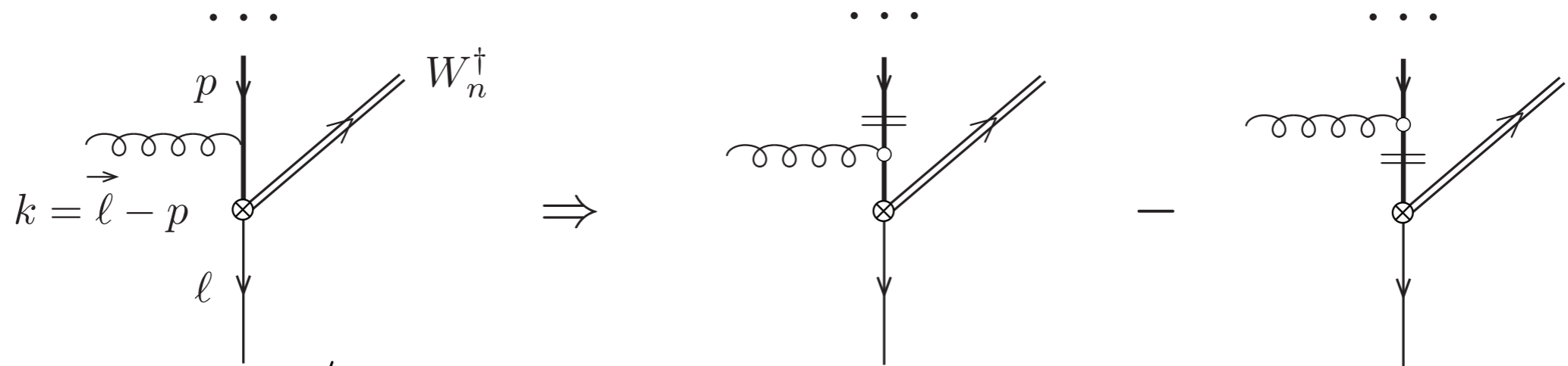
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$A_1^{\text{gauge}} = g_s (n \cdot p + n \cdot k) \frac{\not{n}}{2} P_n \dots = g_s n \cdot \ell \frac{\not{n}}{2} P_n \dots$

$\Downarrow \epsilon^\mu(k) \rightarrow k^\mu$

- The gauge term does not vanish, and it is proportional to the soft quark momentum at $\ell \sim \lambda^2$.
- It is not valid to discard ℓ^- compared to p^- in k because both terms are of power λ^2 .

Resolution: Soft propagator diagram



$$A_2 = n \cdot \not{l} \frac{\not{n}}{2} P_n \frac{i}{\not{l} - m + i\epsilon} \epsilon^\mu(k) (ig_s) \gamma_\mu \dots,$$

$$A_2^{\text{gauge}} = n \cdot \not{l} \frac{\not{n}}{2} P_n \frac{i}{\not{l} - m + i\epsilon} (ig_s) \not{k} \dots$$

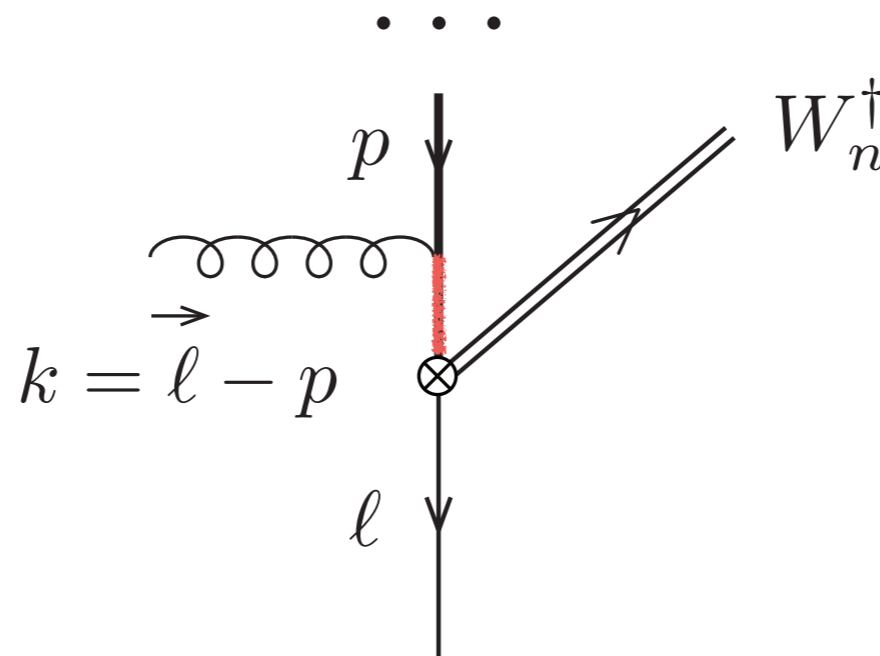
$$= g_s n \cdot \not{l} \frac{\not{n}}{2} P_n \frac{1}{\not{l} - m + i\epsilon} [(\not{p} - m) - \not{l} + m] \dots,$$

this term cancels A_1^{gauge}

- The second term in the square brackets cancels A_1^{gauge} , and the first term can be shown to vanish through Dirac equation for the external quark spinor (and additional Ward identities).

$$\underline{A_1^{\text{gauge}}} = g_s n \cdot \not{l} \frac{\not{n}}{2} P_n \dots \quad \text{Therefore, } \boxed{A_1^{\text{gauge}} + A_2^{\text{gauge}} = 0}$$

Soft quark propagator diagram



- In diagram for A_2 , the momentum l on the red propagator is soft.
- Therefore, it seems not to belong properly to the collinear function.
- However, we have shown that the soft propagator can be canceled in the application of Ward identities, resulting in **a purely hard-collinear contribution**.
- Let us see how this is realized in the radiative jet functions.

**Gauge invariance
of a radiative jet function
at $O(\lambda^2)$**

Radiative jet function A

$$A(\ell^-) = \int d^D x e^{-i \frac{\ell^- x^+}{2}} \langle Q \bar{Q}({}^3S_1^{[1]}, p, p) | T \left(W_n^\dagger i n \cdot D_n \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n \right)^{\beta, b} (x) (\bar{\xi}_n W_n)^{\alpha, a} (0) | 0 \rangle$$

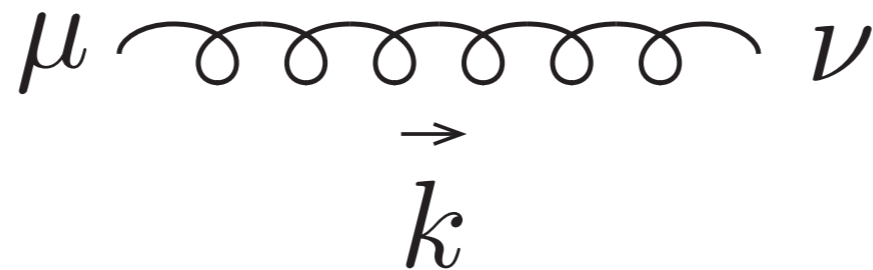
- First operator arises from soft-to-hard-collinear transition Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{(2)}$
- Second operator arises from the hard-to- n -hard-collinear transition.
- The exponential factor injects the flow of the soft momentum ℓ into the radiative jet function.
- We choose a $Q\bar{Q}$ external state because it allows us to see the problem **at the Born level.**
- For definiteness, we take the $Q\bar{Q}$ state to be spin triplet and color singlet.

$$(v^c \otimes \bar{u}^d) \rightarrow \Pi_{3S_1^{[1]}}^{cd} = -\frac{\not{\epsilon}^*(\not{p} + m)}{2\sqrt{2}m} \times \frac{\delta^{cd}}{\sqrt{N_c}} \quad \text{spin-triplet, color-singlet projector}$$

$$p = (p^+, p^-, p_\perp) = (p^+, m^2/p^+, 0) \sim Q(1, \lambda^4, 0) \quad \text{on-shell condition}$$

Feynman and light-cone gauges

- In this discussion, we will investigate the gauge invariance of the radiative jet functions by computing them in the two gauges: the Feynman and the light-cone gauges



- Feynman-gauge gluon propagator

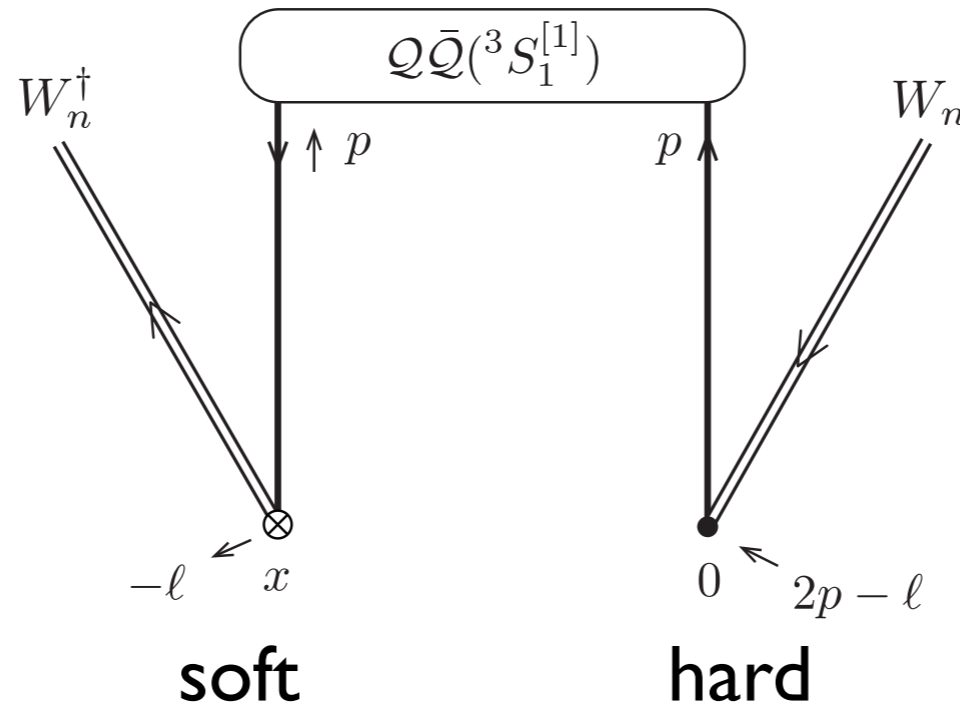
$$\frac{i}{k^2} (-g^{\mu\nu})$$

- Light-cone-gauge gluon propagator

$$\frac{i}{k^2} \left(-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{k^\mu \bar{n}^\nu + \bar{n}^\mu k^\nu}{k \cdot \bar{n}} \right)$$

$$\bar{n} \cdot G_n \Big|_{\text{light-cone gauge}} = 0,$$

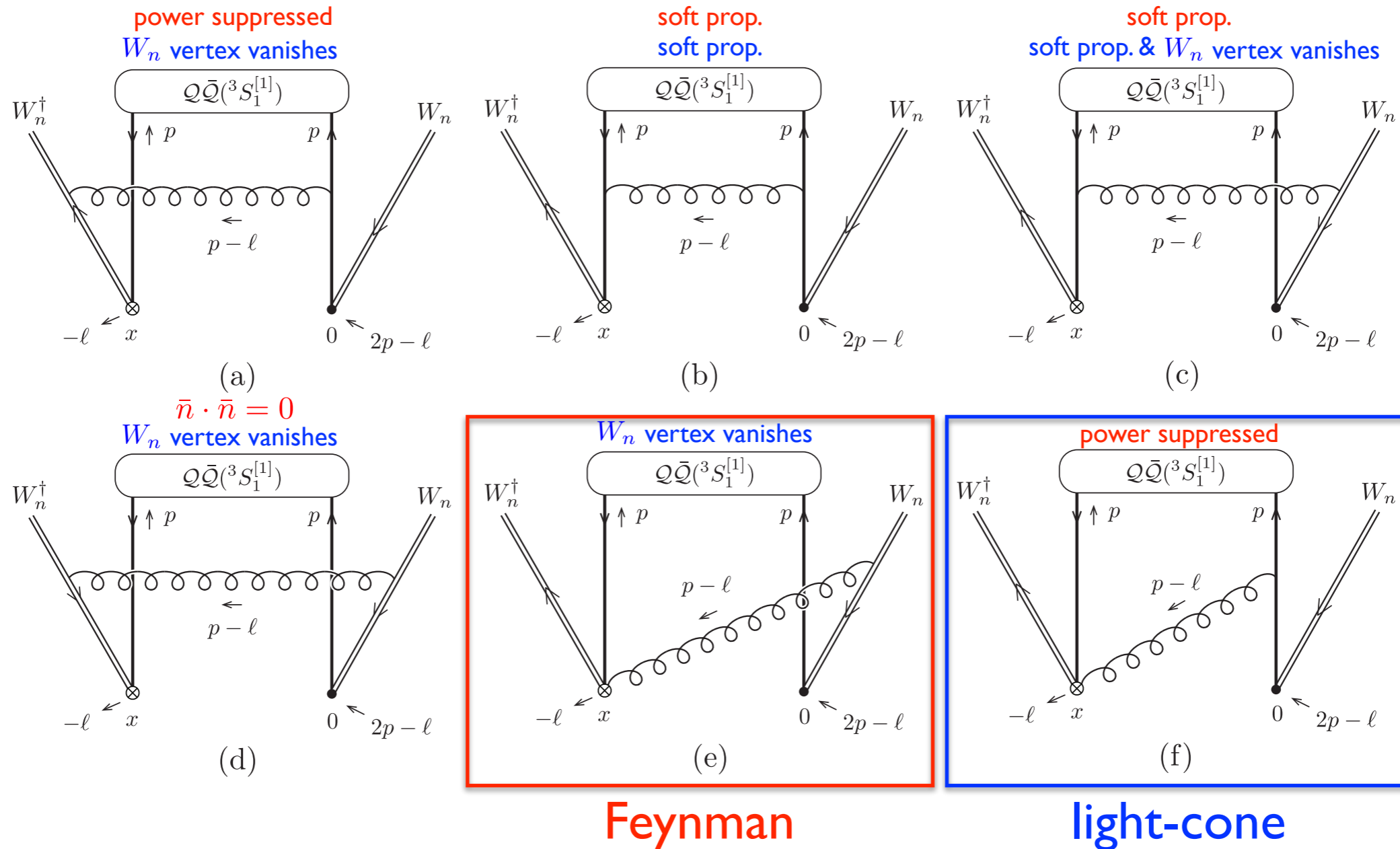
Diagram for radiative jet function A



$$A(\ell^-) = \int d^D x e^{-i \frac{\ell^- x^+}{2}} \underbrace{\langle \underline{Q\bar{Q}}(^3S_1^{[1]}, p, p) | T}_{\text{top}} \left(\underbrace{\left(W_n^\dagger i n \cdot D_n \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n \right)^{\beta, b}}_{\text{left}} \right) (x) \underbrace{(\bar{\xi}_n W_n)^{\alpha, a}(0) | 0 \rangle}_{\text{right}},$$

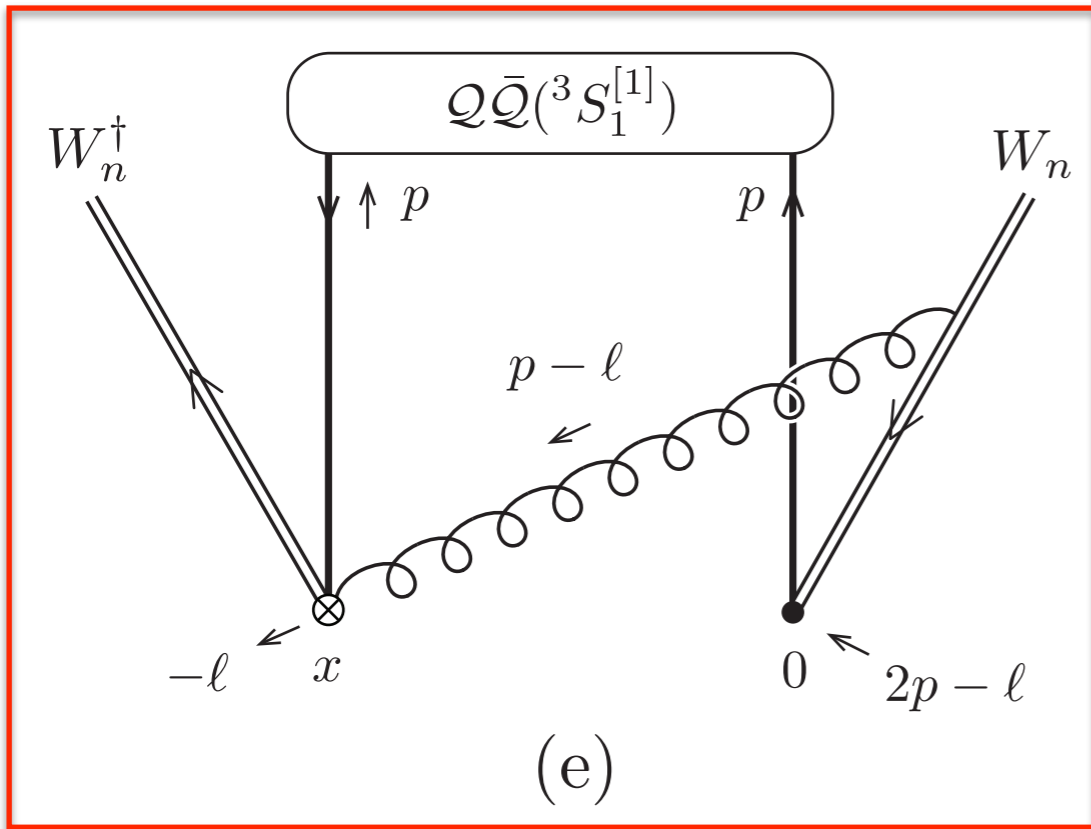
- The $O(g_s^0)$ diagram for radiative jet function A .
- Q and \bar{Q} each carry momentum p , and they form $^3S_1^{[1]} Q\bar{Q}$ state.
- Soft momentum ℓ flows in through the vertex x , and the hard-collinear momentum $2p - \ell$ flows in through the vertex 0 .
- Momentum conservation requires at least one gluon connection between the left and right parts of the diagram.

LO Diagrams

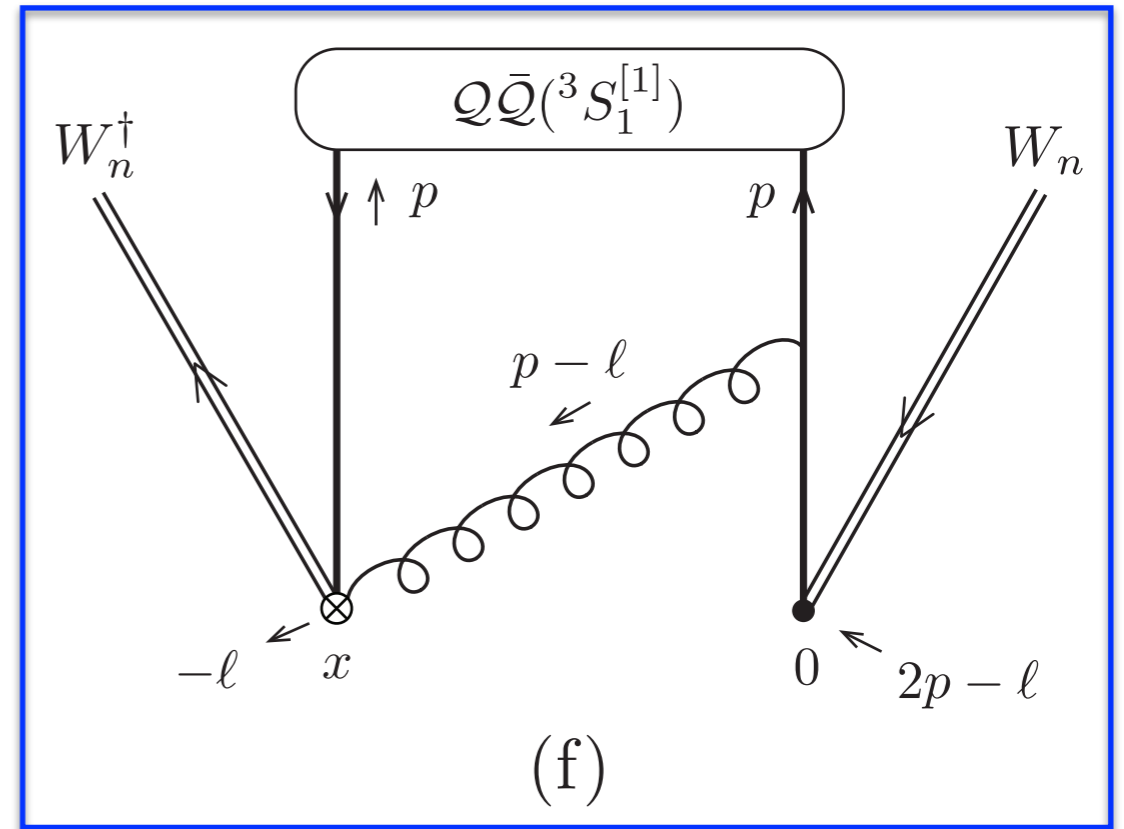


- In the Feynman gauge, (a) and (f) are power suppressed, (d) is 0 by $\bar{n} \cdot \bar{n} = 0$, and (b) and (c) include a soft propagator, and so only (e) contributes.
- In the light-cone gauge, only (f) contributes; the other diagrams involve a Wilson line vertex, which is 0 in light-cone gauge, or a soft propagator.

LO in different gauges



Feynman



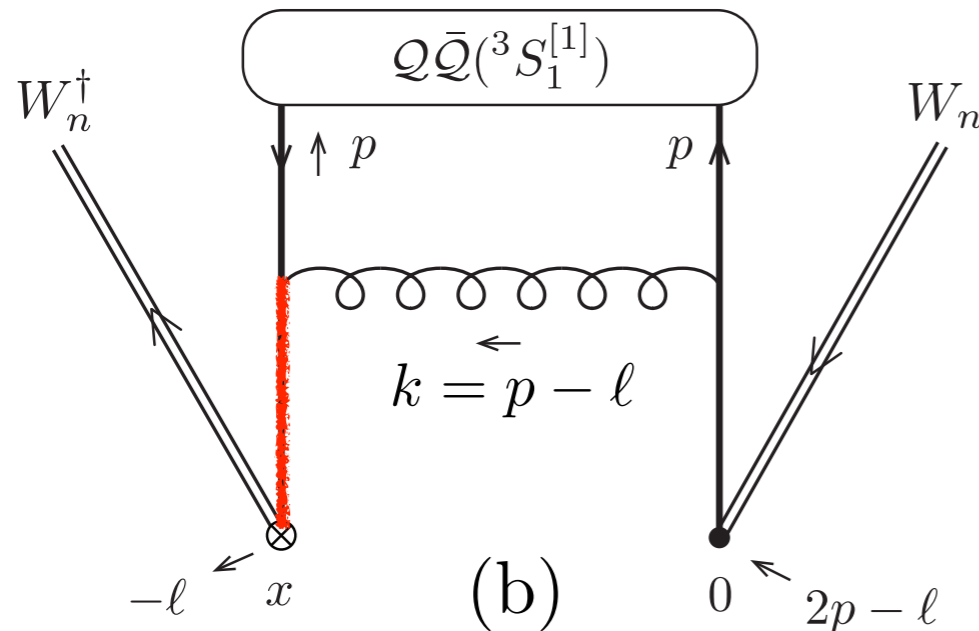
light-cone

$$A_{(e),\text{Feynman}}(\ell^-) = -\frac{ig_s^2 C_F \delta^{ba}}{\sqrt{2N_c} mp^+} \frac{1}{(-\ell^- + i\varepsilon)} \left(\frac{\not{n} \not{\ell} \not{\epsilon}^*}{4} \right)^{\beta\alpha}$$

$$A_{(f),\text{light-cone}}(\ell^-) = -\frac{2ig_s^2 C_F \delta^{ba}}{\sqrt{2N_c} mp^+} \frac{1}{(-\ell^- + i\varepsilon)} \left(\frac{\not{n} \not{\ell} \not{\epsilon}^*}{4} \right)^{\beta\alpha}$$

- The light-cone gauge result deviates from the Feynman gauge result by a factor of 2!

Soft propagator diagram in light-cone gauge



- In Feynman and light-cone gauges, we discarded (b) because it involves a soft propagator with momentum ℓ (red-colored).

- The red-colored propagator carries soft momentum, and so it usually is not regarded as a proper diagram of radiative jet function.

$$\frac{1}{\ell^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

- In the light-cone gauge, the gluon propagator is

$$\frac{i}{k^2 + i\epsilon} \left[-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{k^\mu \bar{n}^\nu + \bar{n}^\mu k^\nu}{k \cdot \bar{n}} \right]$$

- Let us consider separately the contributions of each of the three terms:

$$-g^{\mu\nu} \quad k^\mu \bar{n}^\nu \quad \bar{n}^\mu k^\nu$$

Soft propagator diagram in light-cone gauge

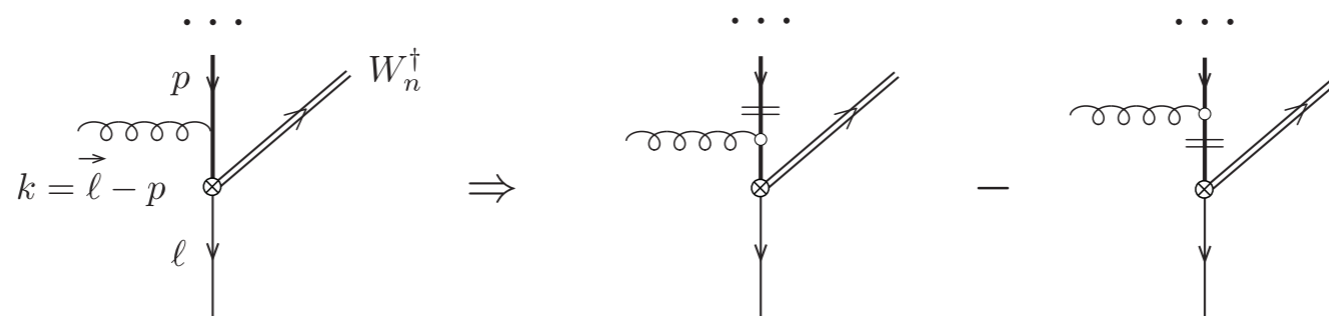
- The three terms in the light-cone gauge gluon propagator give

$$A_{(b),\text{light-cone}}^{(-g^{\mu\nu})}(\ell^-) = \frac{ig_s^2 C_F \delta^{ba}}{\sqrt{2N_c} m p^+} \frac{1}{(-\ell^- + i\varepsilon)} \left(\frac{\not{n} \not{\ell} \not{\epsilon}^*}{4} \right)^{\beta\alpha} \times \frac{m^2}{(\ell^2 - m^2 + i\varepsilon)}.$$

$$A_{(b),\text{light-cone}}^{(k^\mu \bar{n}^\nu)}(\ell^-) = \frac{ig_s^2 C_F \delta^{ba}}{\sqrt{2N_c} m p^+} \frac{1}{(-\ell^- + i\varepsilon)} \left(\frac{\not{n} \not{\ell} \not{\epsilon}^*}{4} \right)^{\beta\alpha}.$$

$$A_{(b),\text{light-cone}}^{(\bar{n}^\mu k^\nu)}(\ell^-) = \frac{ig_s^2 C_F \delta^{ba}}{\sqrt{2N_c} m p^+} \frac{1}{(-\ell^- + i\varepsilon)} \left(\frac{\not{n} \not{\ell} \not{\epsilon}^*}{4} \right)^{\beta\alpha} \times \frac{\ell^+ \ell^-}{(\ell^2 - m^2 + i\varepsilon)}.$$

- We can find that the soft propagator cancels only in the second term, and this is precisely the gauge term we considered in the Ward identities (k^μ in $\epsilon^\mu(k) \rightarrow \epsilon^\mu(k) + k^\mu$)



Soft propagator diagram in light-cone gauge

- Then, keeping only the term without a soft propagator, we can finally find

$$A_{(e),\text{Feynman}}(\ell^-) = A_{(f),\text{light-cone}}(\ell^-) + \underbrace{A_{(b),\text{light-cone}}^{(k^\mu \bar{n}^\nu)}(\ell^-)}_{\text{from the soft propagator diagram}}$$

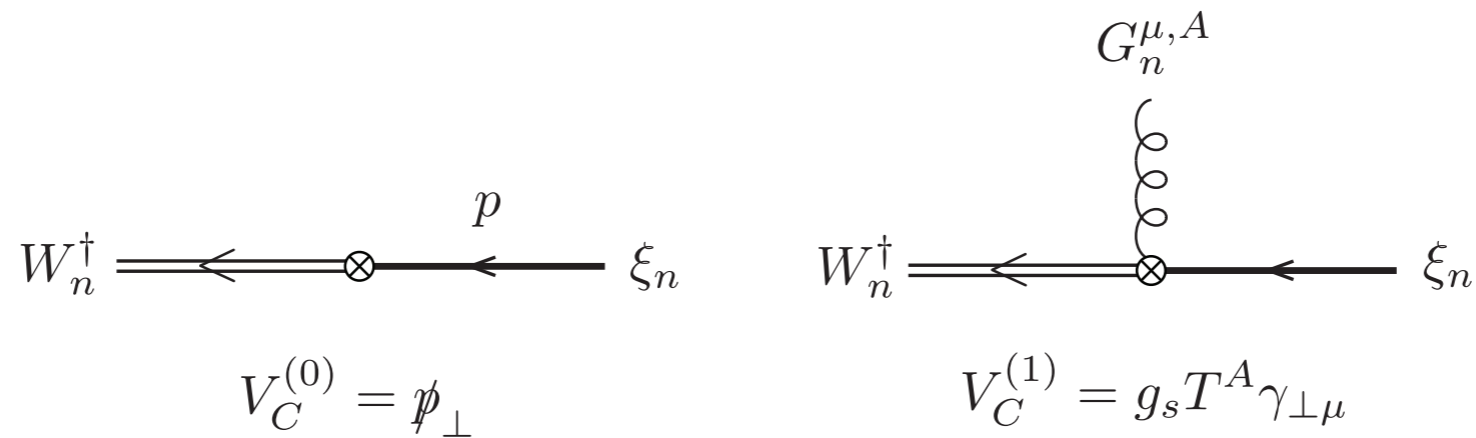
- In order for the radiative jet function to be gauge invariant,
 - ✓ we must include a soft-propagator diagram in conjunction with a gauge term, in which
 - ✓ k contracts to a vertex between the n -hard-collinear and soft line.
- This guarantees the cancellation of the soft propagator, resulting in the pure hard-collinear contributions in the radiative jet functions.
- In Feynman gauge, there is no gauge term to cancel the soft propagator, and so there is no contribution to the radiative jet function from the soft-propagator diagrams.
- We can observe a similar feature in $\mathcal{L}_{mq\xi_n}^{(2)}(x) = \bar{q}(x^+) (-mW_n^\dagger \xi_n)(x)$

**Gauge invariance
of a radiative jet function
at $O(\lambda)$**

NLP SCET Lagrangian at $O(\lambda)$

$$\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{(1)}(x) = \bar{q}(x^+) (W_n^\dagger i \not{D}_{n\perp} \xi_n)(x) \quad \begin{array}{l} d^4x \sim O(\lambda^{-4}) \\ \lambda^{3+1+1-4} = \lambda \end{array}$$

- The Feynman rule for the crossed vertex for $\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{(1)}$ is



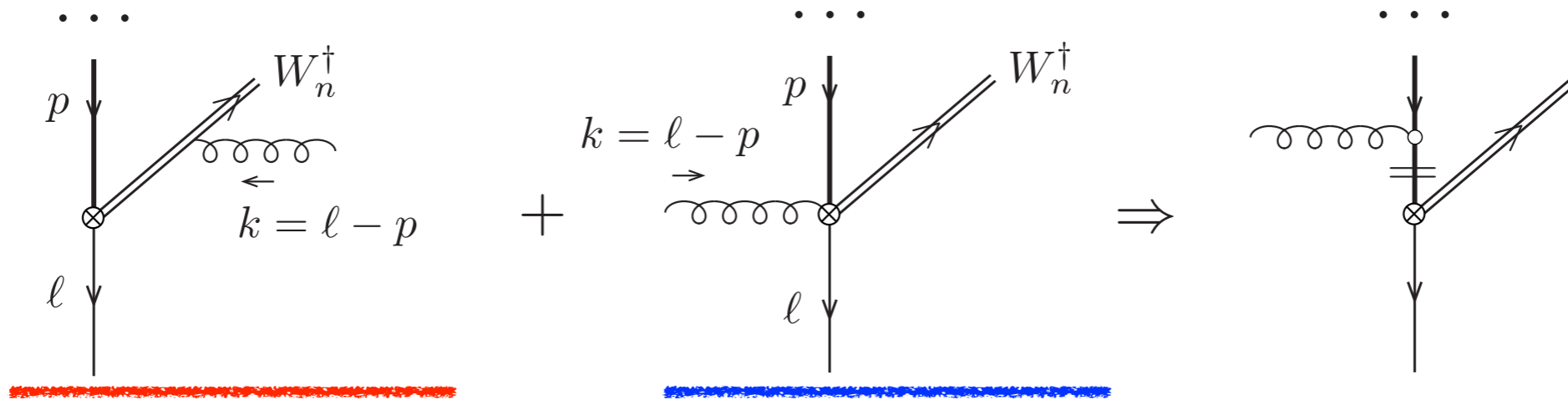
- The radiative jet function constructed from this Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{(1)}$ arises in radiative leptonic B -meson decay, and in Higgs-boson decay to two photons through a b -quark loop.

[Bosch, Hill, Lange, Neubert, 2003](#)
[Liu, Neubert, 2020](#)

- In some previous works, light-cone gauge calculations were performed without including the soft-propagator diagrams that we consider.
- Let us investigate whether this is justified.

NLP SCET Lagrangian at $O(\lambda)$

- Let us consider the vertex for $\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{(1)}$ at $O(g_s)$



- The corresponding amplitude and its application of the Ward identities are

$$C_1 = \epsilon^\mu(k) \left[\frac{(-ig_s)(i)\bar{n}_\mu}{\bar{n} \cdot k + i\epsilon} \not{p}_\perp + g_s \gamma_{\perp\mu} \right] P_n \dots$$

$$C_1^{\text{gauge}} = g_s (\not{p}_\perp + \not{k}_\perp) P_n \dots = g_s \not{\ell}_\perp P_n \dots$$

\Downarrow $\epsilon^\mu(k) \rightarrow k^\mu$

- In this case, we can discard the residual soft momentum ℓ_\perp because it is power suppressed: $p_\perp \sim k_\perp \sim O(\lambda)$ while $\ell_\perp \sim O(\lambda^2)$.
- Therefore, we do not need to consider the soft-propagator diagrams. The existing calculation of $O(\lambda)$ radiative jet functions in the light-cone gauge are justified.

Conclusion

- We have pointed out an unusual feature in the implementation of gauge invariance in SCET at $O(\lambda^2)$.
- The feature appears in the radiative jet functions that arise from the coupling of hard-collinear quarks and soft quarks.
- We have shown that one must include Feynman diagrams that contain a soft propagator in order to obtain a gauge-invariant result.
- The criterion for the inclusion of a soft propagator diagram is that a gluon momentum from “gauge term” in the gluon polarization sum must be contracted into a vertex that is adjacent to the soft propagator.
- We observed this feature at the Born level, but we expect more sophisticated realization of it at higher order corrections in α_s .
- As practical manner, it might be simpler to avoid this issue by calculating the radiative jet functions in Feynman gauge.

Backup slides

Graphical Ward identities

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Foundation of PQCD

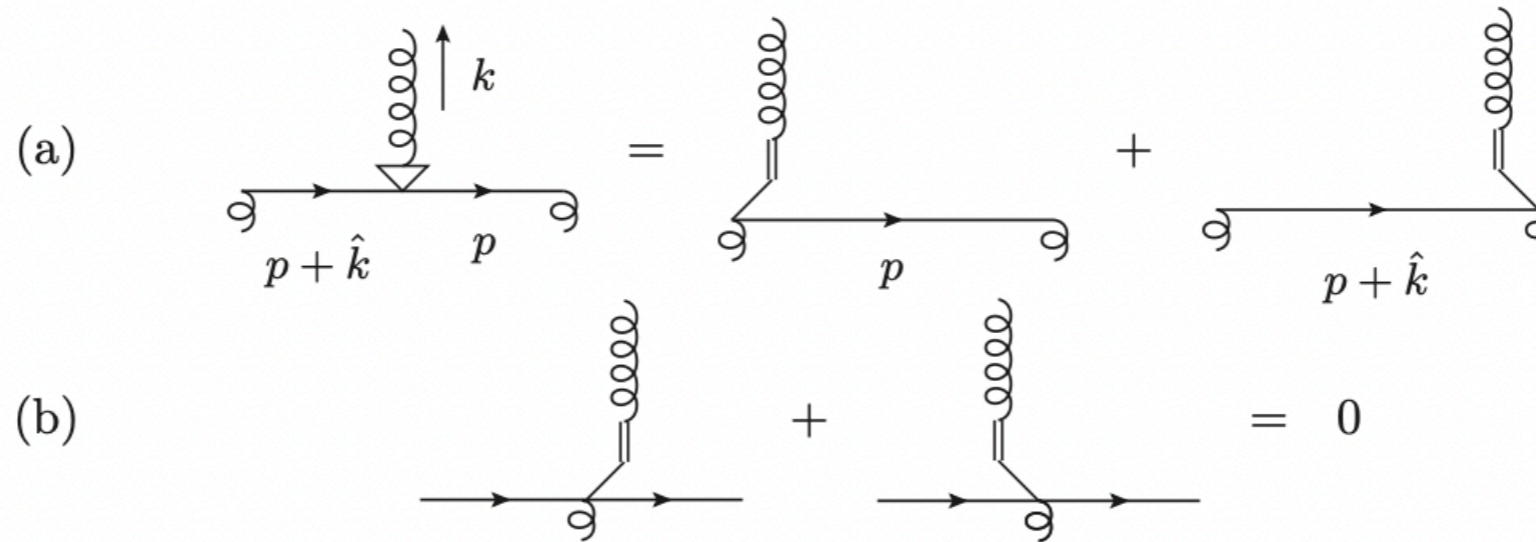


Fig. 10.12. Graphical elements of Ward identity: (a) application to line, (b) sum at vertex (in abelian gauge theory).

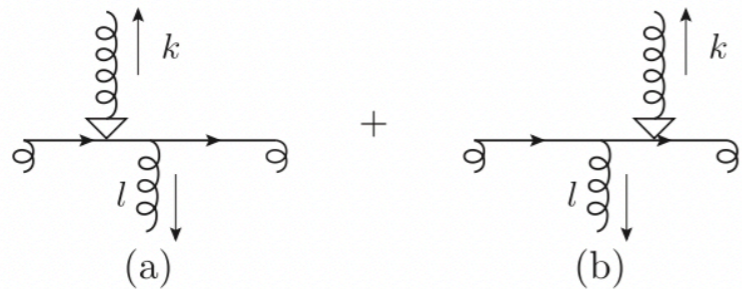


Fig. 10.13. Example of graphical structure which leads to the canceling terms in Fig. 10.12(b).

$$\frac{n_1^\mu}{k \cdot n_1 + i0} \frac{i}{\not{p} - m + i0} (-ig\hat{k}) \frac{i}{\not{p} + \hat{k} - m + i0}$$

$$= \frac{i(-ign_1^\mu)}{k \cdot n_1 + i0} \left[\frac{i}{\not{p} - m + i0} - \frac{i}{\not{p} + \hat{k} - m + i0} \right].$$

Feynman rules in Position space formalism

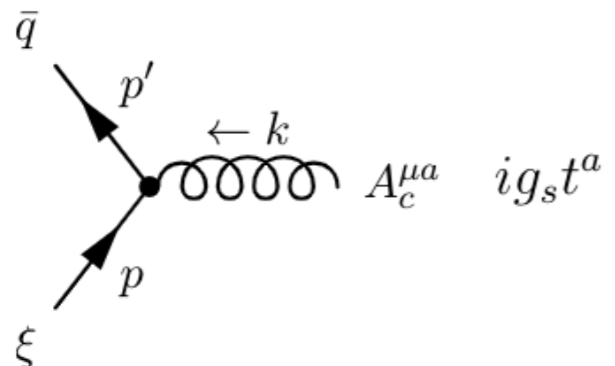
$$\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{\text{pos.}(1)}(x) = \bar{q}(x^+) (W_n^\dagger i\not{D}_{n\perp} \xi_n)(x) + \text{h.c.}$$

Beneke, Garry, Szafron, Wang, 2018

$$\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{\text{pos.}(2a)}(x) = \bar{q}(x^+) \left\{ W_n^\dagger \left[in \cdot D + i\not{D}_{n\perp} \frac{1}{i\bar{n} \cdot D_n} i\not{D}_{n\perp} \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n \right\} (x) + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{q\xi_n}^{\text{pos.}(2b)}(x) = \left[\bar{q}(x_\perp \cdot \overleftarrow{D}_s) \right] (x^+, x_\perp) (W_n^\dagger i\not{D}_{n\perp} \xi)(x) + \text{h.c.}$$

Soft-quark-collinear-quark-collinear-gluon vertex



$$ig_s t^a \begin{cases} 0 & \mathcal{O}(\lambda^0) \\ \Gamma_\mu(p) & \mathcal{O}(\lambda) \\ \left[n_{-\mu} + \gamma_{\perp\mu} \frac{\not{p}_\perp}{n_+ p} + \frac{n_{+\mu}}{n_+ k} \frac{p^2}{n_+ p} \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} - (p' X_\perp) \Gamma_\mu(p) & \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2) \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.35})$$

where

$$\Gamma^\mu(p) = \gamma_\perp^\mu - \frac{\not{p}_\perp}{\bar{n} \cdot p} \bar{n}^\mu \quad X^\mu = \partial^\mu \left[(2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)} \left(\sum p_{\text{in}} - \sum p_{\text{out}} \right) \right]$$

Gauge invariance in Position space formalism

$$\begin{aligned}
 i\mathcal{M}_{\text{pos.}(1)}^{\text{gauge}} &= ig_s T^a \left(\gamma_{\perp}^{\mu} - \frac{\not{p}_{\perp}}{\bar{n} \cdot p} \bar{n}^{\mu} \right) k_{\mu} \\
 &= ig_s T^a \left[\left(\not{p}'_{\perp} - \not{p}_{\perp} \right) - \frac{\not{p}_{\perp}}{\bar{n} \cdot p} \bar{n} \cdot (p' - p) \right] \\
 &= ig_s T^a \left[-\not{p}_{\perp} - \frac{\not{p}_{\perp}}{\bar{n} \cdot p} \bar{n} \cdot (-p) \right] + O(\lambda^2) \\
 &= O(\lambda^2),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 i\mathcal{M}_{\text{pos.}(2a)}^{\text{gauge}} &= ig_s T^a \left(n_{\mu} + \gamma_{\perp\mu} \frac{\not{p}_{\perp}}{\bar{n} \cdot p} + \frac{\bar{n}_{\mu}}{\bar{n} \cdot k} \frac{p^2}{\bar{n} \cdot p} \right) \frac{\not{n}}{2} k^{\mu} \\
 &= ig_s T^a \left[n \cdot (p' - p) + (\not{p}'_{\perp} - \not{p}_{\perp}) \frac{\not{p}_{\perp}}{\bar{n} \cdot p} + \frac{p^2}{\bar{n} \cdot p} \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} \\
 &= \boxed{ig_s T^a (n \cdot p') \frac{\not{n}}{2}} + O(\lambda^3),
 \end{aligned}$$

$O(\lambda^2)$ so not gauge invariant without soft propagator

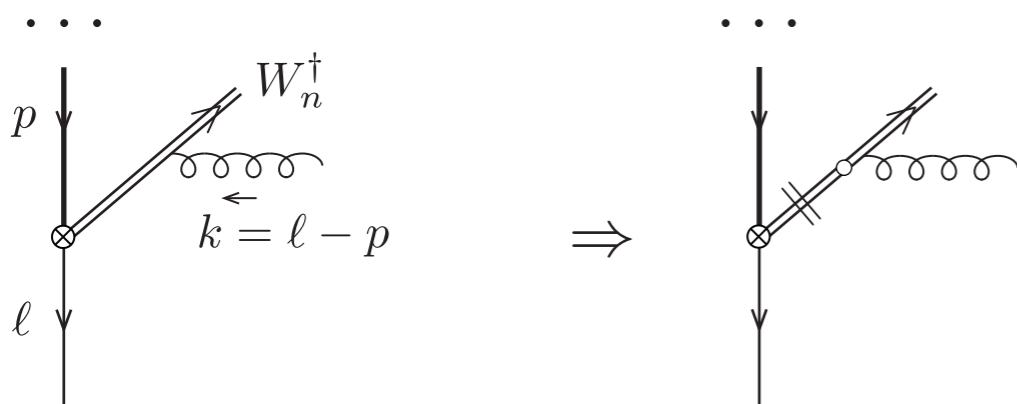
$$\begin{aligned}
 i\mathcal{M}_{\text{pos.}(2b)}^{\text{gauge}} &= ig_s T^a \left[-(p' \cdot X_{\perp}) \left(\gamma_{\perp\mu} - \frac{\not{p}_{\perp}}{\bar{n} \cdot p} \bar{n}_{\mu} \right) \right] k^{\mu} \\
 &= ig_s T^a \left[-(p' \cdot X_{\perp}) \times O(\lambda^2) \right] \\
 &= O(\lambda^3)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Gauge invariance
of another radiative jet
function at $O(\lambda^2)$**

Another NLP SCET Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{mq\xi_n}^{(2)}(x) = \bar{q}(x^+) (-m W_n^\dagger \xi_n)(x) \quad \begin{array}{l} d^4x \sim O(\lambda^{-4}) \\ \lambda^{3+2+1-4} = \lambda^2 \end{array}$$

- This Lagrangian describes a coupling between a soft and hard-collinear quark through the quark mass at $O(\lambda^2)$, with the vertex $(-m)$.
- The $O(g_s)$ diagram for this vertex is given by

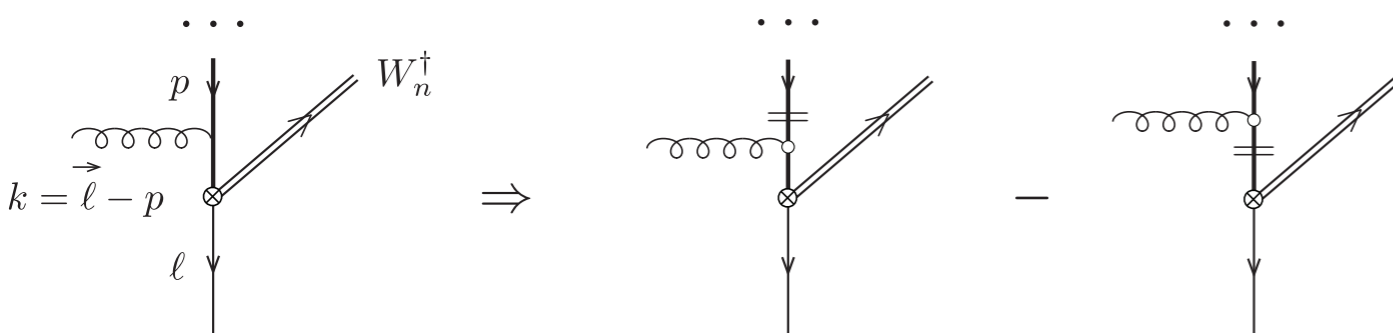


$$B_1 = \epsilon^\mu(k) \frac{(-ig_s)(i)\bar{n}_\mu}{\bar{n} \cdot k + i\varepsilon} (-m) P_n \dots,$$

$$\Downarrow \quad \epsilon^\mu(k) \rightarrow k^\mu$$

$$B_1^{\text{gauge}} = g_s(-m) P_n$$

- The soft propagator diagram gives



$$B_2 = (-m) P_n \frac{i}{\not{l} - m + i\varepsilon} \epsilon^\mu(k) (ig_s) \gamma_\mu$$

$$\Downarrow \quad \epsilon^\mu(k) \rightarrow k^\mu$$

$$B_2^{\text{gauge}} = g_s(-m) P_n \frac{1}{\not{l} - m + i\varepsilon}$$

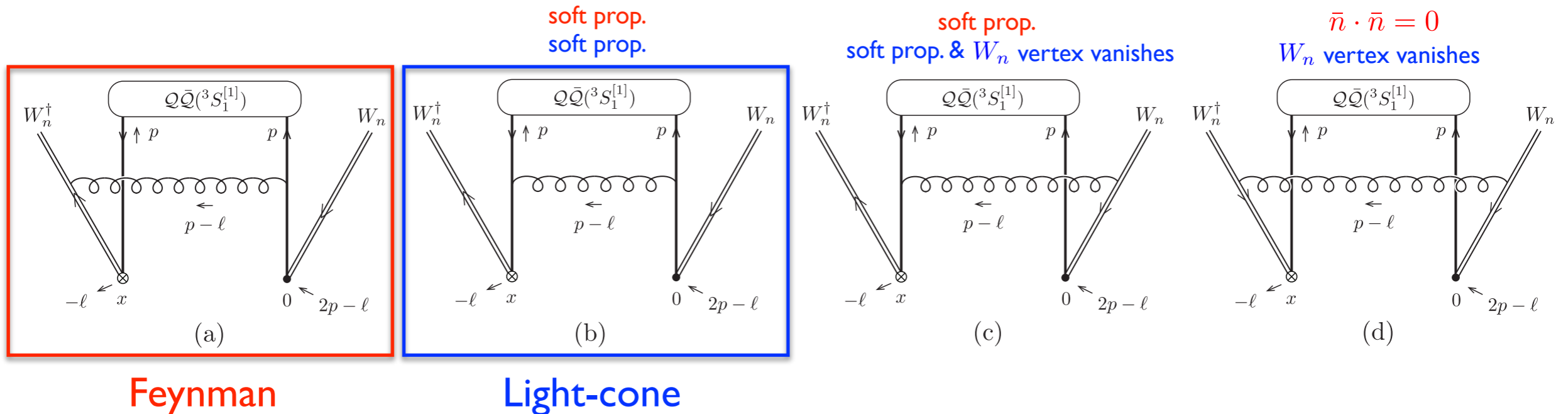
$$\times [(\not{p} - m) - (\not{l} - m)] \dots$$

$$B_1^{\text{gauge}} + B_2^{\text{gauge}} = 0$$

B radiative jet function

$$B(\ell^-) = \int d^D x e^{-i \frac{\ell^- x^+}{2}} \langle Q \bar{Q}({}^3 S_1^{[1]}, p, p) | T (-m W_n^\dagger \xi_n)^{\beta, b}(x) (\bar{\xi}_n W_n)^{\alpha, a}(0) | 0 \rangle$$

- The first operator arises from soft-hard-collinear interaction $\mathcal{L}_{mq\xi_n}^{(2)}(x)$



- In the Feynman gauge, only diagram (a) contributes. (b) and (c) involve soft propagators, and (d) is 0 by $\bar{n} \cdot \bar{n} = 0$.
- In the light-cone gauge, only diagram (b) is nonzero. It includes a soft propagator.
- From an analysis that is similar to that for the radiative jet function A, we can show that

$$B_{(b), \text{light-cone}}^{k^\mu \bar{n}^\nu}(\ell^-) = B_{(a), \text{Feynman}}(\ell^-)$$