Diffractive structure functions at NLO in the dipole picture

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Diffractive structure functions

- Definition of diffraction
 - Experimental: A rapidity gap in the final state
 - Theoretical: No color exchange
- HERA: Almost 10% of DIS events diffractive
- Sensitive to gluon structure at high energy: $\sigma^D \sim [xg(x)]^2$
- Inclusive diffraction: final states with a definite invariant mass M_X^2

and momentum transfer $t = -\Delta^2$

Diffractive structure functions

$$x_{\mathbb{P}}F_{\lambda}^{D(4)}(x_{\mathbb{P}},Q^2,M_X^2,t) = rac{Q^2}{(2\pi)^2lpha_{\mathsf{em}}}rac{Q^2}{eta}rac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\lambda}^D}{\mathrm{d}|t|\,\mathrm{d}M_X^2}$$



 $x_{\mathbb{P}} \approx \frac{M_X^2 + Q^2}{M/2 \perp O^2}, \quad \beta \approx \frac{Q^2}{O^2 + M_z^2},$ Q^2 = photon virtuality, λ = photon polarization (L or T) J. Penttala (JYU)

Comparison to similar processes

- Lots of progress in recent years for calculating $\gamma^* + A$ processes at NLO
 - Inclusive DIS

Beuf: 1606.00777, 1708.06557; Hänninen et al: 1711.08207; Beuf et al: 2103.14549, 2112.03158, 2204.02486

Exclusive vector meson production

Boussarie et al: 1612.08026; Mäntysaari and JP: 2104.02349.2203.16911, 2204.14031

• Dijet production

Boussarie et al: 1405.7676, 1606.00419; Caucal et al: 2108.06347, 2208.13872, 2304.03304; Taels et al: 2204.11650

Dihadron production

Bergabo and Jalilian-Marian: 2207.03606, 2301.03117; Fucilla et al: 2211.05774

- The main difference: the final state
- Inclusive diffraction: The final state is fully perturbative
 - The only nonperturbative part is the interaction with the target







2108.06347



- talk by Pieter Taels

- talk by Jamal Jalilian-Marian

talk by Risto Paatelainen

Inclusive diffraction in the high-energy limit

High-energy limit leads to factorization:

Inclusive diffraction cross section at LO

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{D}}}{\mathrm{d}M_{X}^{2}} = \frac{N_{C}}{(4\pi)^{2}} \int \mathrm{d}z \,\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{r} \,\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\bar{r}} \,\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{b} \,J_{0}\left(M_{X}|\mathbf{r}-\bar{\mathbf{r}}|\sqrt{z(1-z)}\right) N(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{b})N(\bar{\mathbf{r}},\mathbf{b})\Psi_{\lambda}^{\gamma^{*}\to q\bar{q}}(\mathbf{r},z)\left(\Psi_{\lambda}^{\gamma^{*}\to q\bar{q}}(\bar{\mathbf{r}},z)\right)^{*}$$

- $\Psi_{\lambda}^{\gamma^* \to q\bar{q}}$: Photon wave function for the $q\bar{q}$ state Calculable perturbatively
- N: Dipole-target scattering amplitude
 Energy dependence by the JIMWLK equation
- Eikonal interaction with target:

Convenient to work in the mixed space (\mathbf{r}, z)



- \bullet LO calculation not enough to describe the data small $\beta \ll 1$
- Gluons start to dominate appear only at higher orders
- Have been calculated at various different limits: Bartels:1999, Kovchegov:1999, Kopeliovich:1999, Kovchegov:2001, Munier:2003, Golec-Biernat:2005, Wusthoff:1997, GolecBiernat:1999, GolecBiernat:2001
- The full NLO calculation in general kinematics still missing
 - Contribution from initial-state gluon emission calculated in Beuf et al., 2206.13161
- How important are the loop corrections?



Dotted: $q\bar{q}g$ at large Q^2

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Inclusive diffraction cross section at NLO

$$i\mathcal{M}_{n} = \sum_{m} \int \mathrm{d}[\mathsf{PS}]_{m} 2q^{+}(2\pi)\delta(q^{+}-p_{n}^{+})e^{-i\mathbf{b}\cdot\mathbf{\Delta}}\Psi_{\mathrm{in}}^{\gamma^{*}\to m}(\Psi_{\mathrm{out}}^{n\to m})^{*}N^{m}$$
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\gamma_{\lambda}^{+}+A}^{\mathrm{D}}}{\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\Delta}\,\mathrm{d}M_{X}^{2}} = \sum_{\mathrm{color-singlet}\ n} \int \mathrm{d}[\mathsf{PS}]_{n} 2q^{+}(2\pi)\delta(q^{+}-p_{n}^{+})\delta(M_{X}^{2}-M_{n}^{2})\delta^{2}(\mathbf{\Delta}-(\mathbf{p}_{n}-\mathbf{q}))|\mathcal{M}_{n}|^{2}$$

where at NLO we need $\mathcal{M}_{q\bar{q}} = \mathcal{M}_{(a)} + \mathcal{M}_{(b)}$ and $\mathcal{M}_{q\bar{q}g} = \mathcal{M}_{(c)} + \mathcal{M}_{(d)}$.



Divide the cross section into three parts based on the Wilson line structure of $\mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{M}^*$:

- dip: dipole × dipole*
- trip: tripole \times tripole^{*}
- dip-trip: dipole \times tripole* + tripole \times dipole*



• $|(a)|^2$ and $|(d)|^2$: Contain UV divergences that are made finite by the UV subtraction term



• $|(c)|^2$: Finite

• This contribution has already been calculated in Beuf et al., 2206.13161



• $(b) \times (a)^*$: Contains a UV divergence that is made finite by the UV subtraction term

- JIMWLK evolution arises from the combination $(b) \times (a)^* \mathsf{UV}$
- $(c) \times (d)^*$: Finite

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Divergences at NLO

Regularization scheme: dim. reg. for transverse coordinates, cutoff α for plus momentum k^+

- Corrections to the initial state: UV ε and log α divergences Included in the photon wave function Ψ^{γ*→qq}_λ
- ⁽²⁾ UV divergences from gluon loops over the shock wave
- Rapidity divergence for gluons with small plus momentum over the shock wave: log α divergence regularized by JIMWLK (BK) equation
- Self-energy diagrams: IR and UV divergences
 Cancel in dimensional regularization with one ε
- Corrections to the final state: IR and log α divergences Complicated!

Final-state corrections



- Lots of pesky diagrams to calculate
- Cut introduces a delta function $\delta(M_X^2 M_n^2)$
 - Hard to integrate!
- Strategy:
 - Sum the diagrams in momentum space
 - Pourier transform to mixed space





- Divergences from gluon's plus-momentum fraction $z_g = z_0 z_{\overline{0}}$ going to zero
- This expression can be simplified by rewriting:
 - The sum of the energy denominators
 - Optimization 1 The numerator



Sum of the energy denominators:

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

- This combines divergences from different graphs
- Note: the signs of the infinitesimals $i\delta$ important!



Rewrite the numerator as:

$$(z_{\overline{0}}\mathbf{K}_{01} - z_{0}\mathbf{K}_{\overline{01}}) \cdot (z_{\overline{1}}\mathbf{K}_{01} - z_{1}\mathbf{K}_{\overline{01}})$$

= $\frac{1}{2}z_{g} \left[z_{0}z_{\overline{1}}(M_{X}^{2} - M_{0}^{2}) + z_{0}z_{\overline{1}}(M_{X}^{2} - M_{2}^{2}) - (z_{\overline{0}}z_{1} + z_{0}z_{\overline{1}})(M_{X}^{2} - M_{1}^{2}) - z_{g}M_{X}^{2} \right]$

• Written in terms of the energy denominators



• $D_{01}, D_{12} \sim z_g \log z_g$: a logarithmic divergence $\log^2 \alpha$

- D_{02} : a power divergence $1/\alpha$
- $D_{012} \sim z_g \log z_g$: no divergences

Final state: Instantaneous gluon exchange



These can be combined similarly:

$$F_{\rm C0} + F_{\rm C2} \propto \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{K}_{01} \, \mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{K}_{\overline{01}}}{(2\pi)^4} e^{i \mathbf{K}_{\overline{01}} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{\overline{01}} - i \mathbf{K}_{01} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{01}} \frac{1}{z_g^2} \times \left\{ \frac{\delta(M_X^2 - M_2^2)}{M_0^2 - M_2^2 - i\delta} + \frac{\delta(M_X^2 - M_0^2)}{M_2^2 - M_0^2 + i\delta} \right\}$$

$$\frac{\delta(M_X^2 - M_2^2)}{M_0^2 - M_2^2 - i\delta} + \frac{\delta(M_X^2 - M_0^2)}{M_2^2 - M_0^2 + i\delta} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[\frac{1}{(M_X^2 - M_0^2 + i\delta)(M_X^2 - M_2^2 + i\delta)} - \frac{1}{(M_X^2 - M_0^2 - i\delta)(M_X^2 - M_2^2 - i\delta)} \right] = -D_{02}$$

- ullet Combined with the previous diagrams, these cancel the power divergence $1/\alpha$
- Some $\log^2 \alpha$ divergences still left

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Final state: Cut gluon loops



- Can be calculated analytically without additional Feynman/Schwinger integrals
- Contain IR (collinear) and $\log^2 \alpha$ divergences
- \bullet Self-energy diagrams: IR \rightarrow UV divergences
- $\log^2 \alpha$ divergence cancels with the other final-state diagrams
- In total: final-state corrections have UV ε and log α divergences
- The same divergence structure as the NLO wave function for $\gamma^* o q ar q$

Cancellation of divergences

• UV divergences:

NLO $\gamma^*
ightarrow q ar q \, + \,$ final-state corrections $\, + \,$ gluon loops crossing the shock wave $\, = \,$ finite



• Remaining $\log \alpha$ divergence:

Absorbed into the JIMWLK evolution of the Wilson lines

 \Rightarrow All of the divergences cancelled: finite result!

Remaining finite pieces

• Cross-terms with gluon emission from initial and final states

• Finite:

- Cut regulates UV region
- No IR divergences due to the energy denominator structure:

gluon emission in the initial state from an *off-shell* guark – cannot go on-shell \Rightarrow no divergence

- Related to the diagrams where the gluon is absorbed before the final state
 - Simplifications in their sum





Final result

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\gamma_{\lambda}^{+}+A}}{\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\Delta}\,\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}} &= \left[\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\gamma_{\lambda}^{+}+A}}{\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\Delta}\,\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}}\right]_{\mathrm{dip}} + \left[\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\gamma_{\lambda}^{+}+A}}{\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\Delta}\,\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}}\right]_{\mathrm{trip}} + \left[\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\gamma_{\lambda}^{+}+A}}{\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\Delta}\,\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}}\right]_{\mathrm{dip}} \mathrm{trip} \\ &\left[\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\gamma_{\lambda}^{+}+A}}{\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\Delta}\,\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}}\right]_{\mathrm{dip}} = 2\pi\alpha_{\mathrm{em}}N_{\mathrm{e}}\sum_{r}e_{r}^{2}\int[\mathrm{d}\mathrm{PS}]_{\mathrm{dep}}\left[\sigma_{\mathrm{e},\mathrm{dep}}^{\mathrm{L}} + \left(\frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{e}}C_{\mathrm{e}}}{2\pi}\right)\sigma_{\mathrm{e},\mathrm{dep}}^{\mathrm{N}(\mathrm{d})}\right]\left(1 - \hat{s}_{\mathrm{d}}^{\mathrm{D}}\right)^{\dagger} \\ &\left[\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\gamma_{\lambda}^{+}+A}}{\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\Delta}\,\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}}\right]_{\mathrm{dep}} = 2\pi\alpha_{\mathrm{em}}N_{\mathrm{e}}\sum_{r}e_{r}^{2}\int[\mathrm{d}\mathrm{PS}]_{\mathrm{dep}}\left(\frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{e}}C_{\mathrm{e}}}{2\pi}\right)\sigma_{\mathrm{e},\mathrm{dep}}^{\mathrm{N}(\mathrm{d})}\left(1 - \hat{s}_{\mathrm{d}}^{\mathrm{D}}\right)^{\dagger} \\ &\left[\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\gamma_{\lambda}^{+}+A}}{\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\Delta}\,\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}}\right]_{\mathrm{dep}} = 2\pi\alpha_{\mathrm{em}}N_{\mathrm{e}}\sum_{r}e_{r}^{2}\int[\mathrm{d}\mathrm{PS}]_{\mathrm{dep}\,\mathrm{dep}}\frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{e}}C_{\mathrm{e}}}{2\pi} \\ &\left[\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\mathrm{e},\mathrm{d}}}{\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\Delta}\,\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}}\right]_{\mathrm{dep}} = 2\pi\alpha_{\mathrm{em}}N_{\mathrm{e}}\sum_{r}e_{r}^{2}\int[\mathrm{d}\mathrm{PS}]_{\mathrm{dep}\,\mathrm{dep}}\frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{e}}C_{\mathrm{e}}}{2\pi} \\ &\left[\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\mathrm{e},\mathrm{d}}}{\mathrm{d}^{2}\mathbf{\Delta}\,\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}}\right]_{\mathrm{dep}\,\mathrm{dep}} = 2\pi\alpha_{\mathrm{em}}N_{\mathrm{e}}\sum_{r}e_{r}^{2}\int[\mathrm{d}\mathrm{PS}]_{\mathrm{dep}\,\mathrm{dep}\,\mathrm{dep}}\frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{e}}C_{\mathrm{e}}}{2\pi} \\ &\times \left\{g_{\mathrm{e},\mathrm{d},\mathrm{d}}^{2}\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}\right\}_{\mathrm{dep}\,\mathrm{dep}} = 2\pi\alpha_{\mathrm{em}}N_{\mathrm{e}}\sum_{r}e_{r}^{2}\int[\mathrm{d}\mathrm{PS}]_{\mathrm{dep}\,\mathrm{dep}\,\mathrm{dep}}\frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{e}}C_{\mathrm{e}}}{2\pi} \\ &\times \left\{g_{\mathrm{e},\mathrm{d},\mathrm{d}}^{2}\mathrm{d}M_{\lambda}^{2}\right\}_{\mathrm{dep}\,\mathrm{dep$$

$$\begin{split} &+ \left[\log \left(\frac{M_{2} - M_{2}}{M_{2}} - \frac{M_{2}}{M_{2}} \right) \delta_{1} \sqrt{Q_{2}} M_{2} M_{2} - m_{2} + m_{2}^{2} + f_{1} \sqrt{Q_{2}} M_{2} M_{2} - m_{2} + m_{2}^{2} \right) \\ &+ \left[1 - f_{1} + m_{2}^{2} + m_{2}^{$$

 $f^{UV} = (2\log(x_1x_1) - 3)$

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{G}^{11,00}_{(1,00)} = & \delta_{2,0,1} Q^2 K_0(QX_{121}) K_0(QX_{221}) & \sim \frac{M_{1}}{N_{121}} \Lambda(M_1 Y_{121}) \\ \times & \left\{ x_1^2 \left[2 g_1(x_1 + x_2) + x_1^2 \right] \frac{M_{1} - X_{221}}{M_{1} - M_{1}} \frac{\pi}{\pi} \left\{ x_1^2 - \frac{X_{221}}{M_{1}} + \frac{\pi}{\pi} \left\{ x_1^2 - \frac{X_{221}}{M_{1}} + \frac{\pi}{\pi} \left\{ x_1 - \frac{X_{221}}{M_{1}} + \frac{\pi}{\pi} \right\} \right\} \\ & - \pi g_{1,1} \left[g_1(1 - x_1) + x_1(1 - x_1) \right] \left[\frac{M_{1} - X_{221}}{M_{1} - M_{1}} + \frac{\pi}{\pi} \frac{M_{1} - X_{221}}{M_{1}} \right] \\ & \left\{ \mathcal{G}^{21,00}_{(1,0)} - 2 g_{2,0} Q^2 K_0(QX_{10}) K_0(QX_{10}) \frac{1}{M_{1}} \frac{1}{M_{1}} \frac{M_{1}}{M_{10}} \Lambda(M_1 Y_{101}) \\ \times & \left\{ T_{1,00}^{(1,0)} + T_{100}^{(1,0)} + T_{100}^{(1,0)} + T_{100}^{(1,0)} + T_{100}^{(1,0)} + T_{100}^{(1,0)} + T_{100}^{(1,0)} \right\} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} & \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{12,00}^{(11,0)} = \frac{\hbar}{2} \mathcal{G}^{11} \mathcal{G}_{1}(\mathcal{K}_{111},\mathcal{G}) \\ & \times \left[r_{1}^{2} (1-z_{1}) \mathcal{K}_{0}\left(\log ||\vec{G}_{1}|\right) \\ & \times \left[s_{1}^{2} (1-z_{1}) \mathcal{K}_{0}\left(\log ||\vec{G}_{1}|\right) \\ & \times s_{1} \left(\sqrt{n_{12}} - z_{1} + z_{1}$$

- Diffractive structure functions are a good probe for saturation effects
- Previously: leading log Q^2 calculated at NLO
- We are completing the full NLO calculation
 - Explicit cancellation of divergences
 - Results suitable for numerical calculations
- Future:
 - Numerical implementation of the full NLO result
 - Comparisons to the existing HERA data and predictions for the EIC