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Looking for DGLAP in small-x Helicity-evolution

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Part 1: Setup of the discussion

The missing spin of the proton?

A picture of the proton spin.

Spin sum rule (Jaffe Manohar decomposition [Nucl. Phys. B337, 509 (1990)])

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Sigma_q + \Sigma_g + L_q + L_g$$

Quark OAM
Gluon OAM
Quark spin
Gluon spin
Proton spin

Possibilities:

- Gluon spin
- Quark/Gluon angular orbital momentum

Large and low x region. Experiments only access a finite range of x ...

$$\Sigma_q = \int_0^1 dx (q^\uparrow(x) - q^\downarrow(x)) \quad (1)$$

Possibilities

- Large- x ?
- Small- x ?

Wilson lines and eikonal expansion - Notation

At sub-eikonal order:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{\underline{x}, \underline{y}; \sigma', \sigma} &= V_{\underline{x}} \delta^2(\underline{x} - \underline{y}) \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} & (2) \\
 + \frac{i P^+}{s} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz^- d^2 z V_{\underline{x}}[\infty, z^-] \delta^2(\underline{x} - \underline{z}) & \left[-\delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} \overleftarrow{D}^i D^i + g \sigma \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} F^{12} \right] (z^-, \underline{z}) V_{\underline{y}}[z^-, -\infty] \delta^2(\underline{y} - \underline{z}) \\
 - \frac{g^2 P^+}{2s} \delta^2(\underline{x} - \underline{y}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz_1^- \int_{z_1^-}^{\infty} dz_2^- & V_{\underline{x}}[\infty, z_2^-] t^b \psi_{\beta}(z_2^-, \underline{x}) U_{\underline{x}}^{ba}[z_2^-, z_1^-] \left[\delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} \gamma^+ - \sigma \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} \gamma^+ \gamma^5 \right]_{\alpha\beta} \\
 & \times \bar{\psi}_{\alpha}(z_1^-, \underline{x}) t^a V_{\underline{x}}[z_1^-, -\infty],
 \end{aligned}$$

Remarks

- Blue \rightarrow Already used in previous V^{pol} . Label *of the first kind*; notation $V^{pol} [1]$. Proportional to $\sigma \delta_{\sigma \sigma'}$.
- Red \rightarrow "NEW" (in our framework). Label *of the second kind*; notation $V^{pol} [2]$. Proportional to $\delta_{\sigma \sigma'}$.

Picture?

For the quark S -matrix at sub eikonal order, see also:

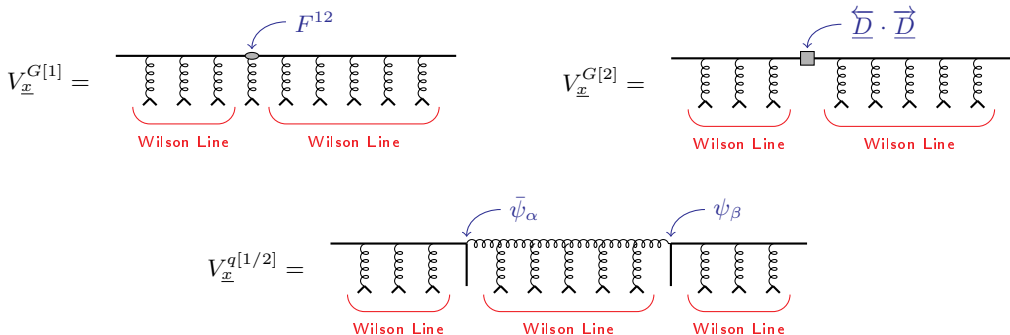
- Balitsky and Tarasov, e.g. [1505.02151]
- Chirilli, e.g. [1807.11435]
- Altinoluk et al., e.g. [2012.03886]
- Kovchegov et al., e.g. [1808.09010] [2108.03667]

Wilson lines and eikonal expansion - Pictures!

Polarized WL,

$$V_{\underline{x}}^{\text{pol}[1]} = \underbrace{V_{\underline{x}}^{\text{G}[1]} + V_{\underline{x}}^{\text{q}[1]}}_{\sigma \delta_{\sigma\sigma'}}, \quad V_{\underline{x}, \underline{y}}^{\text{pol}[2]} = \underbrace{V_{\underline{x}, \underline{y}}^{\text{G}[2]} + V_{\underline{x}}^{\text{q}[2]}}_{\delta_{\sigma\sigma'}} \delta^2(\underline{x} - \underline{y}).$$

can be represented as



Contraction with $(\gamma^+ \gamma^5)_{\alpha\beta} \times \sigma \delta_{\sigma\sigma'}$ or $\gamma_{\alpha\beta}^+ \times \delta_{\sigma\sigma'}$

From The Jaffe-Manohar (JM) gluon helicity PDF

$$\Delta G(x, Q^2) = \int^{Q^2} d^2 k g_{1L}^{G dip}(x, k_T^2) = \frac{-2i}{x P^+} \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{S_L} S_L \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi^- e^{ixP^+ \xi^-} \times \langle P, S_L | \epsilon^{ij} F^{a+i}(0^+, 0^-, \underline{0}) U_{\underline{0}}^{ab}[0, \xi^-] F^{b+j}(0^+, \xi^-, \underline{0}) | P, S_L \rangle, \quad (3)$$

$$F^{+i}(x^-, \underline{x}) \quad F^{+j}(y^-, \underline{y} = \underline{x}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} F^{+j}(y^-, \underline{y} = \underline{x}) \\ \text{-----} \\ F^{+i}(x^-, \underline{x}) \end{array}$$

Gluon helicity

Identify after some algebra the dipole gluon helicity TMD

$$g_{1L}^{G dip}(x, k_T^2) = \frac{-2i}{x P^+ V^-} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{S_L} S_L \langle P, S_L | \epsilon^{ij} \text{tr} \left[L^{i\dagger}(x, \underline{k}) L^j(x, \underline{k}) \right] | P, S_L \rangle \quad (4)$$

where we define the Lipatov vertex:

$$L^j(x, \underline{k}) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi^- d^2\xi e^{ixP^+ \xi^- - ik \cdot \underline{\xi}} V_{\underline{\xi}}[\infty, \xi^-] (\partial^j A^+ + ixP^+ A^j) V_{\underline{\xi}}[\xi^-, -\infty] \quad (5)$$

Expanding the Lipatov vertex in Bjorken x

$$L^j(x, \underline{k}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi^- d^2\xi e^{-ik \cdot \underline{\xi}} V_{\underline{\xi}}[\infty, \xi^-] \left[\partial^j A^+ + ixP^+ \left(\xi^- \partial^j A^+ + A^j \right) + \mathcal{O}(x^2) \right] V_{\underline{\xi}}[\xi^-, -\infty], \quad (6)$$

which we can write

$$L^j(x, \underline{k}) = -\frac{k^j}{g} \int d^2\xi e^{-ik \cdot \underline{\xi}} V_{\underline{\xi}} - \frac{xP^+}{2g} \int d^2\xi e^{-ik \cdot \underline{\xi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz^- V_{\underline{\xi}}[\infty, z^-] \left[D^j - \overleftarrow{D}^j \right] V_{\underline{\xi}}[z^-, -\infty] \quad (7)$$

Performing the helicity dependent "CGC average"

$$g_{1L}^{G dip}(x, k_T^2) = \frac{-4i}{g^2 (2\pi)^3} \epsilon^{ij} k^i \int d^2\zeta d^2\xi e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot(\underline{\xi}-\underline{\zeta})} \underbrace{\left\langle\left\langle \text{tr} \left[V_{\underline{\zeta}}^\dagger V_{\underline{\xi}}^{j G[2]} + \left(V_{\underline{\xi}}^{j G[2]} \right)^\dagger V_{\underline{\zeta}} \right] \right\rangle\right\rangle}_{=2N_c G_{\underline{\xi}, \underline{\zeta}}^j(zs)}, \quad (8)$$

with a polarized Wilson line of the second kind

$$V_{\underline{z}}^{i G[2]} \equiv \frac{P^+}{2s} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz^- V_{\underline{z}}[\infty, z^-] \left[D^i(z^-, \underline{z}) - \overleftarrow{D}^i(z^-, \underline{z}) \right] V_{\underline{z}}[z^-, -\infty]. \quad (9)$$

\implies We call $G_{\underline{\xi}, \underline{\zeta}}^j(zs)$ a Polarized dipole amplitude of the second kind.

I will also call it \overleftarrow{D} .

\rightarrow Notice the link with the $\underline{D} \cdot \overrightarrow{D}$ operator!

$$G(x_{10}^2, zs) = G^{(0)}(x_{10}^2, zs) + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \int_{\frac{1}{sx_{10}^2}}^z \frac{dz'}{z'} \int_{\frac{1}{z's}}^{x_{10}^2} \frac{dx_{21}^2}{x_{21}^2} \left[\Gamma(x_{10}^2, x_{21}^2, z's) + 3G(x_{21}^2, z's) \right. \\ \left. + 2G_2(x_{21}^2, z's) + 2\Gamma_2(x_{10}^2, x_{21}^2, z's) \right], \quad (132a)$$

$$\Gamma(x_{10}^2, x_{21}^2, z's) = G^{(0)}(x_{10}^2, z's) + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \int_{\frac{1}{sx_{10}^2}}^{z'} \frac{dz''}{z''} \int_{\frac{1}{z''s}}^{\min[x_{10}^2, x_{21}^2 \frac{z'}{z''}]} \frac{dx_{32}^2}{x_{32}^2} \left[\Gamma(x_{10}^2, x_{32}^2, z''s) + 3G(x_{32}^2, z''s) \right. \\ \left. + 2G_2(x_{32}^2, z''s) + 2\Gamma_2(x_{10}^2, x_{32}^2, z''s) \right], \quad (132b)$$

$$G_2(x_{10}^2, zs) = G_2^{(0)}(x_{10}^2, zs) + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \int_{\frac{\Delta_s^2}{s}}^z \frac{dz'}{z'} \int_{\max[x_{10}^2, \frac{1}{z's}]}^{\min[\frac{z}{z'} x_{10}^2, \frac{1}{\Lambda^2}]} \frac{dx_{21}^2}{x_{21}^2} [G(x_{21}^2, z's) + 2G_2(x_{21}^2, z's)], \quad (132c)$$

$$\Gamma_2(x_{10}^2, x_{21}^2, z's) = G_2^{(0)}(x_{10}^2, z's) + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \int_{\frac{\Delta_s^2}{s}}^{z' \frac{x_{21}^2}{x_{10}^2}} \frac{dz''}{z''} \int_{\max[x_{10}^2, \frac{1}{z''s}]}^{\min[\frac{z'}{z''} x_{21}^2, \frac{1}{\Lambda^2}]} \frac{dx_{32}^2}{x_{32}^2} [G(x_{32}^2, z''s) + 2G_2(x_{32}^2, z''s)]. \quad (132d)$$

Recovering small-x pol DGLAP

Pol DGLAP splitting function at small-x is

$$\Delta P_{gg}(z) \rightarrow \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} 4N_c + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^2 4N_c^2 \ln^2 z + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^3 \frac{7}{3} N_c^3 \ln^4 z \quad (10)$$

From the large N_C equations, start evolution with

$$G^{(0)}(x_1 0^2, zs) = 0, \quad G_2^{(0)}(x_1 0^2, zs) = 1 \quad (11)$$

iterate three times, one finds

$$\Delta G^{(3)}(x, Q^2) = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^3 \left[\underbrace{\frac{7}{120} \ln^5\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right)}_{NNLO \text{ DGLAP}_{gg}} + \frac{1}{6} \ln^4\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \ln^2\left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) + \underbrace{\frac{2}{9} \ln^3\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \ln^3\left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right)}_{(LO)^3 \text{ DGLAP}_{gg}} \right]$$

using

$$1/x_{10}^2 \rightarrow Q^2, \quad zsz_{10}^2 \rightarrow 1/x \quad (12)$$

Recap

- Helicity evolution, mixing between helicity-dependent and helicity independent operators.
- Link: JM-operator $\epsilon_{ij} F^{+i} F^{+j} e^{ixP^+z^-} \rightarrow \overleftrightarrow{D}$ operator $\leftarrow \overleftarrow{D} \cdot \overrightarrow{D}$ operator
- Small-x helicity evolution, contains small-x polarized DGLAP evolution: $\Delta P_{gg}(z)$ @ small-x

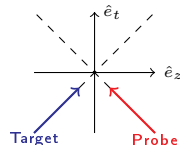
Discussion's topic Can we recover the full polarized DGLAP evolution with minimal modification to small-x evolution framework?

- Full $\Delta P_{gg}(z)$ instead of $\Delta P_{gg}(z \ll 1)$ at one loop?
- How do we iterate? (phase)

Part 2: Exploration

Small-x evolution

- Strong ordering in k^-
- All \underline{k}^2 of the same order
- Strong lifetime (loffe-time) ordering



(IR)-DGLAP evolution

- Strong \underline{k}^2 ordering. Decrease from the projectile to the target!
- k^+ ordering
- Emission far from the initial probe

$$\Delta G(x, Q^2) = \int^{Q^2} d^2 k g_{1L}^{G dip}(x, k_T^2) = \frac{-2i}{x P^+} \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{S_L} S_L \int d\xi^- e^{ixP^+ \xi^-} \times \langle P, S_L | \epsilon^{ij} F^{a+i}(0^+, 0^-, \underline{0}) U_{\underline{0}}^{ab}[0, \xi^-] F^{b+j}(0^+, \xi^-, \underline{0}) | P, S_L \rangle \quad (13)$$

$$\propto \int^{Q^2} \frac{d^2 \underline{k}}{(2\pi)^2} \int d\xi^- d\zeta^- d^2 \underline{\xi} d^2 \underline{\zeta} e^{ixP^+(\xi^- - \zeta^-)} e^{-i\underline{k} \cdot (\underline{\xi} - \underline{\zeta})} \times \left\langle \left\langle \epsilon^{ij} \text{tr} [\infty, \xi^-] F^{+i}(\xi) [\xi^-, -\infty] [-\infty, \zeta^-] F^{+j}(\zeta) [\zeta^-, \infty] \right\rangle \right\rangle \quad (14)$$

Introduce the following L :

$$L^m(x, \underline{x}) \equiv \int dx^- e^{ixP^+ x^-} [-\infty, x^-]_{\underline{x}} F^{+m}(x^-, \underline{x}) [x^-, -\infty]_{\underline{x}} \quad (15)$$

such that

$$\Delta G(x, Q^2) = \int^{Q^2} d^2 \underline{k} \int d^2 \underline{\xi} d^2 \underline{\zeta} e^{-i\underline{k} \cdot (\underline{\xi} - \underline{\zeta})} \epsilon_{ij} \langle \langle L^i(x, \underline{\xi}) L^{+j}(x, \underline{\zeta}) \rangle \rangle \quad (16)$$

Splitting the fields

Consider the background field A_0^μ and split it in the following way

$$A_0^\mu \rightarrow A^\mu + a^\mu \quad (17)$$

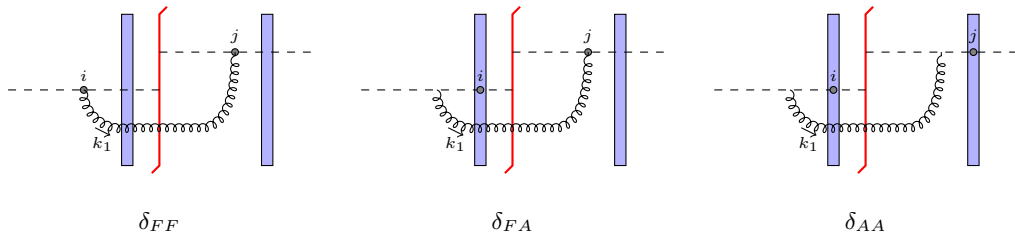
Plug into the expression for $L^i(x^-, \underline{x})$:

$$\begin{aligned} -L^i(x^-, \underline{x}) \supset & e^{ixP^+x^-} \left\{ \int dw^- [\infty, w^-]_{\underline{x}} a_{\underline{x}}^+ [w^-, x^-]_{\underline{x}} (\check{\partial}_x^+ A^i + \partial_x^i A^+)_{\underline{x}} [x^-, -\infty]_{\underline{x}} \theta(w^- - x^-) \right\} \\ & + e^{ixP^+x^-} \left\{ \int dw^- [\infty, x^-]_{\underline{x}} (\check{\partial}_x^+ A^i + \partial_x^i A^+)_{\underline{x}} [x^-, w^-]_{\underline{x}} a_{\underline{x}}^+ [w^-, -\infty]_{\underline{x}} \theta(x^- - w^-) \right\} \\ & + e^{ixP^+x^-} \left\{ [\infty, x^-]_{\underline{x}} (\check{\partial}_x^+ a^i + \partial_x^i a^+)_{\underline{x}} [x^-, -\infty]_{\underline{x}} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Emission from the WL + Emission from $F^{+\perp}$

One step of evolution

Topologies of interest



- Interaction of the new gluon at the blue rectangle is undefined at this point. (eikonal, sub-eikonal, next-to-eikonal, sub-to-next-to-eikonal, [...] -eikonal)
- Assuming a width $L^- \rightarrow 0^-$

Looking for polarized DGLAP ΔP_{gg} .

On the lookout for ΔP_{gg}

Consider only the topology δ_{FF}

$$\delta_{FF} = \epsilon_{ij} \int^{\underline{q}^2} d^2 \underline{k} \int d^2 \underline{\xi} d^2 \underline{\zeta} e^{-i\underline{k} \cdot (\underline{\xi} - \underline{\zeta})} \int d\xi^- d\zeta^- e^{ixP^+(\xi^- - \zeta^-)} \times \text{tr} \left\{ [\infty, \xi^-]_{\underline{\xi}} (\check{\partial}_{\xi}^+ a^i + \partial_{\xi}^i a^+) [\xi^-, -\infty]_{\underline{\xi}} \right\} \left\{ [\infty, \zeta^-]_{\underline{\zeta}} (\check{\partial}_{\zeta}^+ a^j + \partial_{\zeta}^j a^+) [\zeta^-, -\infty]_{\underline{\zeta}} \right\}^\dagger \quad (19)$$

- Assume the interaction with the new gluon at the s.w. to be eikonal. \rightarrow Regular WL.
- Do not expand the phase $e^{ixP^+(\xi-\zeta)}$!
- Pick the $k_{1/2}^+$ propagator poles.
- Integrate longitudinal emission points to the 0^- of the s.w. (Energy denominators).

$$\delta_{FF} = -\epsilon_{ij} \int \frac{d\underline{k}^-}{2k^-} \int^{\underline{q}^2} d^2 \underline{k} \int d^2 \underline{\xi} d^2 \underline{\zeta} e^{-i\underline{k} \cdot (\underline{\xi} - \underline{\zeta})} \int d^2 \underline{w} U_{\underline{w}}^{ba} \text{tr} \left\{ [\infty, -\infty]_{\underline{\xi}} t^a \right\} \left\{ t^b [\infty, -\infty]_{\underline{\zeta}} \right\}^\dagger \times \int d^2 \underline{k}_1 d^2 \underline{k}_2 e^{+i\underline{k}_1 \cdot (\underline{w} - \underline{\xi}) + i\underline{k}_2 \cdot (\underline{\zeta} - \underline{w})} \left\{ \frac{(xP^+ \delta^{i\ell} + \frac{k_1^i k_1^\ell}{k^-})}{(xP^+ + \frac{k_1^2}{2k^-})} \frac{(xP^+ \delta^{jk} + \frac{k_2^j k_2^k}{k^-})}{(xP^+ + \frac{k_2^2}{2k^-})} \right\} \delta^{\ell k} \quad (20)$$

On the lookout for ΔP_{gg}

To identify the contribution to ΔP_{gg} , act with $\epsilon_{ab} \nabla_{\underline{k}_1}^a \nabla_{\underline{k}_2}^b$ on the curly bracket, then set $\underline{k}_{1/2} \rightarrow k$

$$\epsilon_{ab} \nabla_{\underline{k}_1}^a \nabla_{\underline{k}_2}^b \{ \dots \} \rightarrow \frac{-2\underline{k}^2}{(2xP^+ + \underline{k}^2)^2} + \frac{4\underline{k}^4}{(2xP^+ + \underline{k}^2)^3} \quad (21)$$

which is part of the kernel generating polarized DGLAP.

→ Adding δ_{FA} and δ_{AA} produces the real piece of polarized DGLAP kernel.

Remarks

- To get $\epsilon_{ab} \nabla_{\underline{k}_1}^a \nabla_{\underline{k}_2}^b$ acting on the kernel, expand separations between WLS.
- The operators at this step will read $\epsilon_{nm} \underline{\partial}^n \underline{\partial}^m \text{Utr}\{[\infty, -\infty] t^a\} \{t^b[\infty, -\infty]\}^\dagger$ which can be interpreted as the leading part of $\epsilon_{nm} F^{+n} F^{+m}$
- There is no associated phase depending on x_B anymore! (recall that we start with the JM-operator $\epsilon_{ij} F^{+i} F^{+j} e^{ixP^+z^-}$)
- Cannot further iterate this process...

Can we fix the lack of phase after one step of evolution?

On the lookout for the phase $e^{i\frac{x_B}{z_A}P^+z^-}$

Finding solace in the subeikonal correction...

A/ Promote the WL at the new position by adding the $\overleftarrow{D} \cdot \overrightarrow{D}$

$$V_{\underline{x}, \underline{y}; \sigma', \sigma} = V_{\underline{x}} \delta^2(\underline{x} - \underline{y}) \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} \quad (22)$$
$$+ \frac{iP^+}{s} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz^- d^2z V_{\underline{x}}[\infty, z^-] \delta^2(\underline{x} - \underline{z}) \left[-\delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} \overleftarrow{D} \cdot \overrightarrow{D} \right](z^-, \underline{z}) V_{\underline{y}}[z^-, -\infty] \delta^2(\underline{y} - \underline{z}) + \dots$$

- By parts and act with the derivatives outside of the WL to recover a factor $\underline{k}^2/2k^- \times L^-$ factoring the previous kernel in δ_{FF}

B/ Introduce a width of the s.w. L^- :

- After integration over $d\xi^- d\zeta^-$ recover an extra factor $e^{ixP^+L^-}$ which can be expanded into $1 + ixP^+L^-$

On the lookout for the phase $e^{i\frac{x_B}{z_A}P^+z^-}$

Schematic form obtained for δ_{FF} :

$$\delta_{FF} \propto \left[1 + i \left(xP^+ + \frac{k^2}{2k^-} \right) L^- \right] \times \epsilon_{ab} \nabla_{\underline{k}_1}^a \nabla_{\underline{k}_2}^b \{ \dots \} \otimes \underline{\partial}^n \underline{\partial}^m \text{Utr} \{ [\infty, -\infty] t^a \} \{ t^b [\infty, -\infty] \}^\dagger$$

- Green part builds DGLAP kernel beyond the small-x limit.
- Blue part builds a phase $e^{i\frac{x_B}{z_A}P^+L^-}$ where $z_A \equiv \frac{xP^+}{xP^+ + k^2/2k^-}$
- Red part is the eikonal part of the JM operator (without the phase)

Postulate Parts of the Subⁿ-eikonal corrections resums into the JM operator.

Remains to understand how L^- becomes the separation between the two $F^{+\perp}$ insertions.
(@ sub-sub-eikonal?)

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