BFKL resummation in heavy-quark pair hadroproduction

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Introduction

Motivation BFKL resummation Searching for BFKL dynamics in partially inclusive processes

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Inclusive heavy-quark pair hadroproduction

Theoretical set-up Observables and numerical analysis

 $Conclusions \ and \ outlook$

Semi-hard collision process, featuring the scale hierarchy

$$s \gg Q^2 \gg \Lambda^2_{QCD}, \qquad Q^2$$
 a hard scale,

Regge kinematical region

 $\alpha_s(Q^2) \ln\left(\frac{s}{Q^2}\right) \sim 1 \implies$ all-order resummation needed

- ► The Balitsky-Fadin-Kuraev-Lipatov (BFKL) approach is the general framework for this resummation
 - Leading-logarithm-Approximation (LLA): $(\alpha_s \ln s)^n$
 - Next-to-leading-logarithm-Approximation (NLLA): $\alpha_s(\alpha_s \ln s)^n$

- However, experimental evidences of the BFKL dynamics are not conclusive, thus motivating proposal of new probes
- ▶ Here we propose the inclusive hadroproduction of two rapidityseparated heavy quarks as a new one

- ▶ Diffusion $A + B \longrightarrow A' + B'$ in the Regge kinematical region
- Gluon Reggeization
- ▶ BFKL factorization for $\Im \mathcal{A}_{AB}^{A'B'}$: convolution of a Green function (process indipendent) with the Impact factors of the colliding particles (process dipendent).



▶ $G^{(R)}_{\omega}(\vec{q_1}, \vec{q_2}; \vec{q})$ -Mellin transform of the Green function for the Reggeon-Reggeon scattering

$$\begin{split} \omega G^{(R)}_{\omega}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2; \vec{q}\,) &= \vec{q}_1^{\ 2} (\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}\,)^2 \delta^{(D-2)}(\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) \\ &+ \int \frac{d^{D-2} q'_1}{\vec{q}_1^{\ '2} (\vec{q}_1^{\ '} - \vec{q}\,)^2} \mathcal{K}^{(R)}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_1^{\ '}; \vec{q}\,) G^{(R)}_{\omega}(\vec{q}_1^{\ '}, \vec{q}_2; \vec{q}\,) \end{split}$$



• $\Phi_{P'P}^{(R,\nu)}$ - LO impact factor in the *t*-channel color state (R,ν)

 BFKL equation: q² = 0 and singlet color state representation [Ya. Ya. Balitsky, V. S. Fadin, E.A Kuraev, L.N Lipatov (1975)]

Redefinition :
$$G_{\omega}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2) \equiv \frac{G_{\omega}^{(0)}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2, 0)}{\vec{q}_1^{\ 2} \vec{q}_2^{\ 2}} , \quad \mathcal{K}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{K}^{(0)}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2, 0)}{\vec{q}_1^{\ 2} \vec{q}_2^{\ 2}}$$

 $\omega G_{\omega}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2) = \delta^{(D-2)}(\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2) + \int d^{D-2}q_r \ \mathcal{K}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_r) G(\vec{q}_r, \vec{q}_2)$

Elastic amplitude factorization:

$$\Im \mathcal{A}_{AB}^{AB} = \frac{s}{(2\pi)^{D-2}} \int d^{D-2} q_1 d^{D-2} q_2 \\ \times \frac{\Phi_{AA}^{(0)}(\vec{q}_1, s_0)}{\vec{q}_1^{-2}} \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \left[\left(\frac{s}{s_0} \right)^{\omega} G_{\omega}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2) \right] \frac{\Phi_{BB}^{(0)}(-\vec{q}_2, s_0)}{\vec{q}_2^{-2}}$$

Optical Teorem:

$$\sigma_{AB} = \frac{\Im \mathcal{A}_{AB}^{AB}}{s}$$

▶ Impact factor in the color singlet state:

$$\Phi_{PP}^{(0)} = \langle cc' | \hat{\mathcal{P}} | 0 \rangle \sum_{\{f\}} \int \frac{ds_{PR}}{2\pi} d\rho_f \Gamma_{\{f\}P}^c (\Gamma_{\{f\}P}^{c'})^*$$

Only few impact factors are known in the NLA so that a limited number of predictions can be built for total inclusive cross section and exclusive processes.



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$$A = A' =$$
quark, $B = B' =$ gluon

= gluon [M. Ciafaloni and G. Rodrigo (2000)] [V.S. Fadin, R. Fiore, M.I. Kotsky, A.P. (2000)]

► A =
$$\gamma_L^*$$
, A'= V_L, with V_L = ρ, ω, ϕ (forward)
[D.Yu. Ivanov, M.I. Kotsky, A.Papa (2004)]

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$$A = A' = \gamma^*$$
 (forward) [J. Bartels, S. Gieseke, C.F. Qiao (2001)]
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[J. Bartels, D. Colferai, S. Gieseke, A. Kyrieleis (2002)]

[V.S. Fadin, D.Yu. Ivanov, M.I. Kotsky (2003)]

[J. Bartels, A. Kyrieleis (2004)]

[I. Balitsky, G.A. Chirilli (2013)] [G.A. Chirilli, Yu.V. Kovchegov (2014)]

Partially inclusive processes

- ▶ A lot of more possibilities open for partially inclusive processes, with jets or identified particles in the final state, produced in the fragmentation regions or in the central one.
- Straightforward adaptation of the BFKL factorization: just restrict the summation over final states entering the definition of impact factors or Green function.
- Mueller-Navelet jet production
 - 1. NLO jet vertex

[J. Bartels, D. Colferai, G.P. Vacca (2003)]

[F. Caporale, D.Yu. Ivanov, B. Murdaca, A. Papa, A. Perri (2011)]

[D.Yu. Ivanov, A. Papa (2012)]

[D. Colferai, A. Niccoli (2015)]

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2. Azimuthal correlations (full NLA)

[B. Ducloué, L. Szymanowski, S. Wallon (2013,2014)]

[F. Caporale, D.Yu. Ivanov, B. Murdaca, A. Papa (2014)]

[F.G. Celiberto, D.Yu. Ivanov, B. Murdaca, A. Papa (2015)]

3. Compatible with CMS (7 TeV)

Partially inclusive processes

- Hadron-hadron production
 - 1. NLO hadron vertex
 - 2. Azimuthal correlations (full NLA)

[F.G. Celiberto, D.Yu. Ivanov, B. Murdaca, A. Papa (2016,2017)]

Hadron-jet production (full NLA)

[A.D. Bolognino, F.G. Celiberto, D.Yu. Ivanov, M.M.A. Mohammed, A. Papa (2018)]

Three / four jet production (partial NLA)

[F. Caporale, G. Chachamis, B. Murdaca, A. Sabio Vera (2016)]

[F. Caporale, F.G. Celiberto, G. Chachamis, A. Sabio Vera (2016)]

[F. Caporale, F.G. Celiberto, G. Chachamis, D.G. Gomez, A. Sabio Vera (2016,2017)]

► J/Ψ - jet production (partial NLA)

[R. Boussarie, B. Ducloué, L. Szymanowski, S. Wallon (2018)]

Drell-Yan pair - jet (partial NLA)

[K. Golec-Biernat, L. Motyka, T. Stebel (2018)]

[D.Yu. Ivanov, A. Papa (2012)]

Higgs - jet (partial NLA) [F.G. Celiberto, D.Yu. Ivanov, M.M.A. Mohammed, A. Papa (in preparation)]

Heavy-quark pair hadroproduction: Partonic process

- ▶ Partonic process: $g(p_1) + g(p_2) \longrightarrow Q jet(q_1) + Q jet(q_2) + X$
- Q = charm, bottom (detected in the fragmentation regions)
- Partial NLLA resummation
 - 1. BFKL Green function \rightarrow NLLA
 - 2. Impact factor \rightarrow LO





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Heavy-quark pair hadroproduction: Impact factor

▶ Feynman diagrams



LO impact factor

$$\begin{split} d\Phi_{gg}^{\{Q\bar{Q}\}}(\vec{k},\vec{q},z) &= \frac{\alpha_s^2\sqrt{N_c^2-1}}{2\pi N_c} \left[\left(m^2 \left(R+\bar{R} \right)^2 + \left(z^2+\bar{z}^2 \right) \left(\vec{P}+\vec{P} \right)^2 \right) \right. \\ &\left. - \frac{N_c^2}{N_c^2-1} \left(2m^2 R\bar{R} + \left(z^2+\bar{z}^2 \right) 2\vec{P}\cdot\vec{P} \right) \right] d^2\vec{q} \, dz \, , \\ R &= \frac{1}{m^2+\vec{q}\,^2} - \frac{1}{m^2+(\vec{q}-z\vec{k})^2} \, , \qquad \vec{R} = \frac{1}{m^2+(\vec{q}-z\vec{k})^2} - \frac{1}{m^2+(\vec{q}-\vec{k})^2} \, , \\ \vec{P} &= \frac{\vec{q}}{m^2+\vec{q}\,^2} - \frac{\vec{q}-z\vec{k}}{m^2+(\vec{q}-z\vec{k})^2} \, , \qquad \vec{P} = \frac{\vec{q}-z\vec{k}}{m^2+(\vec{q}-z\vec{k})^2} - \frac{\vec{q}-\vec{k}}{m^2+(\vec{q}-\vec{k})^2} \, . \end{split}$$

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Heavy-quark pair hadroproduction: Kinematics

Sudakov decomposition:

$$q = zp_1 + \frac{m^2 + \vec{q}^2}{zW^2}p_2 + q_\perp, \qquad \bar{z} = 1 - z$$

 $(p_1, p_2) \longrightarrow$ light cone basis

• Center of mass energy: $W^2 = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = 2p_1p_2 = 4E_{g_1}E_{g_2}$

▶ Rapidities:

$$y_{1} = \ln\left[\frac{2z_{1}E_{g1}}{\sqrt{m^{2} + \vec{q}_{1}^{2}}}\right] \qquad y_{2} = -\ln\left[\frac{2z_{2}E_{g2}}{\sqrt{m^{2} + \vec{q}_{2}^{2}}}\right]$$
$$dz_{1}dz_{2} = \frac{e^{\Delta Y}\sqrt{m^{2} + \vec{q}_{1}^{2}}\sqrt{m^{2} + \vec{q}_{2}^{2}}}{W^{2}}dy_{1}dy_{2}$$
$$\Delta Y \equiv y_{1} - y_{2} = \ln\frac{W^{2}z_{1}z_{2}}{\sqrt{(m^{2} + \vec{q}_{1}^{2})(m^{2} + \vec{q}_{2}^{2})}}$$

• Semi-hard kinematics:

$$\frac{W^2}{\sqrt{(m^2 + \vec{q}_1^{\ 2})(m^2 + \vec{q}_2^{\ 2})}} = \frac{e^{\Delta Y}}{z_1 z_2} \gg 1,$$

Differential cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{gg}}{dy_1 dy_2 d|\vec{q}_1|d|\vec{q}_2|d\varphi_1 d\varphi_2} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \left[\mathcal{C}_0 + 2\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(n\varphi) \mathcal{C}_n \right], \qquad \varphi = \varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \pi$$

► Azimuthal coefficients:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{C}_{n} &= \frac{|\vec{q}_{1}||\vec{q}_{2}|\sqrt{m^{2}+\vec{q}_{1}^{\ 2}}\sqrt{m_{2}^{2}+\vec{q}_{2}^{\ 2}}}{W^{2}}e^{\Delta Y} \\ &\times \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\nu \left(\frac{W^{2}}{s_{0}}\right)^{\bar{\alpha}_{s}(\mu_{R})\chi(n,\nu)+\bar{\alpha}_{s}^{2}(\mu_{R})} \left(\bar{\chi}(n,\nu)+\frac{\beta_{0}}{8N_{c}}\chi(n,\nu)\left(-\chi(n,\nu)+\frac{10}{3}+2\ln\frac{\mu_{R}^{2}}{\sqrt{s_{1}s_{2}}}\right)\right) \\ &\times \alpha_{s}^{4}\left(\mu_{R}\right)c_{1}\left(n,\nu,\vec{q}_{1}^{\ 2},z_{1}\right)c_{2}\left(n,\nu,\vec{q}_{2}^{\ 2},z_{2}\right)\left\{1+\bar{\alpha}_{s}\left(\mu_{R}\right)\left(\frac{\bar{c}_{1}^{\left(1\right)}}{c_{1}}+\frac{\bar{c}_{2}^{\left(1\right)}}{c_{2}}\right)\right. \\ &\left.+\bar{\alpha}_{s}\left(\mu_{R}\right)\frac{\beta_{0}}{2N_{c}}\left(\frac{5}{3}+\ln\frac{\mu_{R}^{2}}{s_{1}s_{2}}+f\left(\nu\right)\right)+\bar{\alpha}_{s}^{2}\left(\mu_{R}\right)\ln\left(\frac{W^{2}}{s_{0}}\right)\frac{\beta_{0}}{4N_{c}}\chi\left(n,\nu\right)f\left(\nu\right)\right\}, \\ &\left.\bar{\alpha}_{s}&=\frac{N_{c}\alpha_{s}}{\pi}, \qquad \chi\left(n,\nu\right)=2\psi(1)-\psi\left(\frac{n}{2}+\frac{1}{2}+i\nu\right)-\psi\left(\frac{n}{2}+\frac{1}{2}-i\nu\right) \end{split}$$

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Projection of the LO impact factor onto the eigenfunctions of the leading-order BFKL kernel:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\Phi_{gg}^{\{Q\bar{Q}\}}(n,\nu,\vec{q},z)}{d^{2}\vec{q}\,dz} &\equiv \int \frac{d^{2}\vec{k}}{\pi\sqrt{2}}(\vec{k}\,^{2})^{i\nu-\frac{3}{2}}e^{in\theta}\,\frac{d\Phi_{gg}^{\{Q\bar{Q}\}}(\vec{k},\vec{q},z)}{d^{2}\vec{q}\,dz} \equiv \alpha_{s}^{2}\,e^{in\varphi}c(n,\nu,\vec{q},z)\\ c_{1}\left(n,\nu,\vec{q}_{1}^{2},z_{1}\right) &= \frac{1}{e^{in\varphi_{1}}\alpha_{s}^{2}}\,\frac{d\Phi_{gg}^{\{Q\bar{Q}\}}(n,\nu,\vec{q}_{1},z_{1})}{d^{2}\vec{q}\,dz_{1}}\\ c_{2}\left(n,\nu,\vec{q}_{2}^{2},z_{2}\right) &= \frac{1}{e^{-in(\varphi_{2}+\pi)}\alpha_{s}^{2}}\left[\frac{d\Phi_{gg}^{\{Q\bar{Q}\}}(n,\nu,\vec{q}_{2},z_{2})}{d^{2}\vec{q}_{2}\,dz_{2}}\right]^{*} \end{aligned}$$

Universal part of the NLO impact factors:

$$\frac{\bar{c}_{1}^{(1)}}{c_{1}} + \frac{\bar{c}_{2}^{(1)}}{c_{2}} = \chi\left(n,\nu\right) \ln \frac{s_{0}}{\sqrt{\left(m_{1}^{2} + \vec{q}_{1}^{\ 2}\right)\left(m_{2}^{2} + \vec{q}_{2}^{\ 2}\right)}} \ .$$

 s_0 (arbitrary with NLLA) chosen as $\sqrt{s_1s_2}$

• $f(\nu)$

$$i\frac{d}{d\nu}\ln\frac{c_1}{c_2} = 2\left[f(\nu) - \ln(\sqrt{s_1s_2})\right] , \qquad s_i = m_i^2 + \vec{q_i}^2$$

From the gluon-initiated process to the one initiated by proton-proton:

$$d\sigma_{pp} = f_{g_1}(x_1, \mu_{F_1}) f_{g_2}(x_2, \mu_{F_2}) d\sigma_{gg} dx_1 dx_2 ,$$

 $f_{g_i}, i = 1, 2 \longrightarrow$ gluon collinear parton distribution functions $x_i, i = 1, 2 \longrightarrow$ gluon fractions of momenta $\mu_{F_i}, i = 1, 2 \longrightarrow$ factorization scales

Hadronic cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{pp}}{d(\Delta Y)d\varphi_1 d\varphi_2} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \left[C_0 + 2\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(n\varphi) C_n \right] ,$$

where

$$\begin{split} C_n &= \int_{q_{1,\min}}^{q_{1,\max}} d|\vec{q}_1| \int_{q_{2,\min}}^{q_{2,\max}} d|\vec{q}_2| \int_{y_{1,\min}}^{y_{1,\max}} dy_1 \int_{y_{2,\min}}^{y_{2,\max}} dy_2 \; \delta(y_1 - y_2 - \Delta Y) \\ &\int_{e^{-(y_{1,\max}-y_1)}}^{1} dx_1 f_{g_1}(x_1,\mu_{F_1}) \int_{e^{-(y_{2,\max}+y_2)}}^{1} dx_2 f_{g_2}(x_2,\mu_{F_2}) \; \mathcal{C}_n \end{split}$$

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▶ b-jet ($m_b = 4.8 \text{ GeV}$), $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$, $q_{\min} = 20 \text{ GeV}$, $q_{\max} = 100 \text{ GeV}$



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- ▶ b-jet ($m_b = 4.8 \text{ GeV}$), $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$, $q_{\min} = 20 \text{ GeV}$, $q_{\max} = 100 \text{ GeV}$



Conclusions and outlook

Conclusion

- Inclusive processes with jets and/or identified hadrons in the final state featuring large rapidity separation are a promising testfield for the search of BFKL dynamics in current and future colliders.
- Among them, the photo- or hadro-production of a pair of heavy quarks is an interesting new possibility.
- Theoretical predictions, including a relevant part of the energy resummation in the NLLA, are available for both photo- and hadro-production cases.

Future projects

- ▶ Inclusion of subleading corrections from the impact factors, needed to produce full-NLLA predictions.
- Production of mesons containing charm or bottom including into the theoretical analysis the quarks fragmentation.
- Single forward heavy-flavoured jet production, both in the LLA and in the NLLA, via the introduction of the small-x transverse-momentumdependent gluon distribution (UGD).

Thank you for the attention

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Backup

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Backup: Before QCD

Assumptions on S-matrix: Lorentz invariance, unitarity, analiticity

Optical theorem Cutkosky rules $2\Im \mathcal{A}_{ab} = (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 (\sum_a p_a - \sum_b p_b) \sum_c \mathcal{A}_{ac} \mathcal{A}_{cb}^{\dagger}$ $2\Im \mathcal{A}_{aa}(s,0) = F\sigma_{tot}$ Regge theory

$$s \gg |t| \Rightarrow \mathcal{A}(s,t) \xrightarrow[s \to \infty]{} \frac{\eta + e^{-i\pi\alpha(t)}}{2} \beta(t) s^{\alpha(t)}$$



Definition of Reggeization

A particle of mass M and spin J is said to "Reggeize" if the amplitude, \mathcal{A} , for a process involving the exchange in the exchange in the *t*-channel of the quantum numbers of that particle behaves asymptotically in s as

$$\mathcal{A} \propto s^{\alpha(t)}$$

where $\alpha(t)$ is the trajectory and $\alpha(M^2) = J$, so that the particle itself lies on the trajectory.

Backup: Before QCD

Postulates about the S-matrix

- 1. The S-matrix is Lorentz invariant.
- 2. The S-matrix is untitary:

Cutkosky rules

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$$SS^{\dagger} = S^{\dagger}S = \mathbb{I} \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad 2\Im\mathcal{A}_{ab} = (2\pi)^{4}\delta^{4}(\sum_{a} p_{a} - \sum_{b} p_{b})\sum_{c}\mathcal{A}_{ac}\mathcal{A}_{cb}^{\dagger}$$

Optical theorem

$$2\Im \mathcal{A}_{aa}(s,0) = F\sigma_{tot}$$

3. The S-matrix is an analytic function of Lorentz invariants (regarded as complex variables), with only those singularities required by unitarity.

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Dispersion relations that link the total amplitude to its imaginary part.

Backup: Regge theory

Partial wave expansion

$$\mathcal{A}(s,t) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1)a_l(t)P_l(1+\frac{2s}{t})$$

 \downarrow regarding *l* as a complex variable

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$$\mathcal{A}(s,t) = \frac{1}{2i} \oint_C dl \frac{(2l+1)}{\sin \pi l} a^{(\eta)}(l,t) P_l(l,1+\frac{2s}{t})$$

Regge region: $s \gg |t| \quad \downarrow \quad \text{only simple poles in the } l \text{ complex plane}$

$$\mathcal{A}(s,t) \xrightarrow[s \to \infty]{} \frac{\eta + e^{-i\pi\alpha(t)}}{2} \beta(t) s^{\alpha(t)}$$

 $\alpha(t)$ is the position of the leading Regge pole.

• The amplitude can be seen as the exchange in a *t*-channel of an object with "angular momentum" $\alpha(t)$.

↓ Reggeon

Backup: Regge theory

The amplitude can be factorized as

- 1. Two Particle-Particle-Reggeon couplings $(\gamma_{ac}(t), \gamma_{bd}(t))$
- 2. A universal contribution from the Reggeon exchanged (it determines the *s*-asymptotic behaviour of the amplitude)



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$$\mathcal{A} \propto s^{\alpha(t)}$$

where $\alpha(t)$ is the trajectory and $\alpha(M^2) = J$, so that the particle itself lies on the trajectory. • Optical theorem $\longrightarrow \sigma_{tot} \propto s^{\alpha(0)-1}$

- ▶ In any scattering process in which there is charge exchange the cross-section vanishes asymptotically (Pomeranchuk theorem).
- ▶ Foldy e Peierls noticed the converse. If for a particular scattering process the cross-section does not fall as s increase then that process must be dominate by the exchange of vacuum quantum numbers.
- It is observed experimentally that total cross-sections do not vanish asymptotically (they rise slowly as s increase)

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If we are to attribute this rise to the exchange of a single Regge pole then it follows that the exchange is that of a Reggeon whose intercept, $\alpha_P(0)$, is greater than 1, and which carries the quantum numbers of the vacuum

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This trajectory is called the Pomeron

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Backup: The Reggeized gluon

Elastic scattering process $A + B \longrightarrow A' + B'$

- ▶ Gluon quantum numbers in the *t*-channel
- Regge limit: $s \simeq -u \to \infty$, t fixed (i.e not growing with s)
- All-order resummation:
 leading logarithmic approximation (LLA): (α_s ln s)ⁿ
 next-to-leading logarithmic approximation (NLA): α_s(α_s ln s)ⁿ



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Backup: The Reggeized gluon



The integration that appears in $\omega(t)$ is the residue of that over the phase space. The terms in the denominator come from the propagators.

► NLLA [V.S. Fadin, R. Fiore, M.G. Kozlov, A.V. Reznichenko (1979)] $\Gamma_{A'A}^{(1)} = \delta_{\lambda_{A'}\lambda_A} \Gamma_{AA}^{(+)} + \delta_{\lambda_{A'}-\lambda_A} \Gamma_{AA}^{(-)}, \qquad \omega^{(2)}(t)$

Backup: Sudakov decomposition

Sudakov decomposition: $p = zp_1 + \lambda p_2 + p_{\perp}$ $d^4p = \frac{s}{2}dz \ d\lambda \ d^2\vec{p}$ (p_1, p_2) - light-cone basis of the initial particle momenta plane

$$p_1^{\mu} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{2}, \vec{0}, \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2}\right), \qquad p_2^{\mu} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{2}, \vec{0}, -\frac{\sqrt{s}}{2}\right), \qquad 2p_1 \cdot p_2 = s, \qquad p_1^2 = p_2^2 = 0$$

- For a generic process of collision between two particles A and B is convinient to choose the 4-vectors p_1 and p_2 such that they lie on the plane of momenta p_A and p_B . In this way the transverse component is transverse respect to the plane of collision.
- Sudakov decompositon for the initial particles:

$$p_A = p_1 + \frac{m_A^2}{s} p_2$$
 $p_A^2 = m_A^2$ $p_B = p_2 + \frac{m_B^2}{s} p_1$ $p_B^2 = m_B^2$

▶ For massive particle one has to impose the on-shell condition:

$$q_1 = z_1 p_1 + \frac{m^2 + \vec{q_1}^2}{z_1 s} p_2 + q_{1\perp}$$

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Backup: BFKL in LLA

Inelastic scattering process $A + B \longrightarrow \tilde{A} + \tilde{B} + n$ in the LLA



$$\mathcal{A}_{AB}^{\tilde{A}\tilde{B}+n} = 2s\Gamma_{\tilde{A}A}^{c_1} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \gamma_{c_i c_{i+1}}^{P_i}(q_i, q_{i+1}) \left(\frac{s_i}{s_0}\right)^{\omega(t_i)} \frac{1}{t_i}\right) \frac{1}{t_{n+1}} \left(\frac{s_{n+1}}{s_0}\right)^{\omega(t_{n+1})} \Gamma_{\tilde{B}B}^{c_{n+1}}$$

 s_0 -energy scale, arbitrary in LLA.

Backup: BFKL in LLA

Elastic amplitude $A + B \rightarrow A' + B'$ in the LLA via s-channel unitarity

$$\Im \mathcal{A}_{AB}^{A'B'} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{f} \int \mathcal{A}_{AB}^{\tilde{A}\tilde{B}+n} \left(\mathcal{A}_{A'B'}^{\tilde{A}\tilde{B}+n} \right)^{*} d\Phi_{\tilde{A}\tilde{B}+n}$$



 $\mathcal{A}_{AB}^{A'B'} = \sum_{\mathcal{R}} (\mathcal{A})_{AB}^{A'B'}$

 $\mathcal{R} = 1(\text{singlet}), 8(\text{octect}), \dots$

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Backup: Multi-Regge kinematics

Multi-Regge kinematics

Sudakov decomposition for the produced particles: $k_i = z_i p_1 + \lambda_i p_2 + k_{i\perp}$



- Leading logarithms come from the integration over the longitudinal momenta of the produced particles
- ▶ In the LLA, where each added particle contributes only one $\ln s$, only this kinematics counts

Backup: Effective vertex

Effective vertex for the production of a gluon



- ▶ Terms that contain fermions in intermediate states are suppressed in relation to those that involve the exchange of gluons
- "Vertical" gluons become Reggeized due to radiative corrections ("ladders within ladders").

Backup: Color decomposition

Effective vertices



Color decomposition

$$T_{c_i c_{i+1}}^{d_i} \left(T_{c_i' c_{i+1}'}^{d_i} \right)^* = \sum_{\mathcal{R}} c_{\mathcal{R}} \left\langle c_i c_i' | \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{\mathcal{R}} | c_{i+1} c_{i+1}' \right\rangle$$

 $\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{\mathcal{R}}$ - Projector of two-gluon color states in *t*-channel in the unitarity condition on the irriducible representations \mathcal{R} of the color group.

• "Real" part of the BFKL Kernel in the irriducible representation \mathcal{R}

$$\sum_{G_i} \gamma_{c_i c_{i+1}}^{G_i}(q_i, q_{i+1}) \left(\gamma_{c'_i c'_{i+1}}^{G_i}(q_i, q_{i+1}) \right)^* = \sum_{\mathcal{R}} c_{\mathcal{R}} \left\langle c_i c'_i | \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{\mathcal{R}} | c_{i+1} c'_{i+1} \right\rangle 2(2\pi)^{D-1} \mathcal{K}_r^{(\mathcal{R})}(\vec{q}_i, \vec{q}_{i+1}; \vec{q})$$

$$\mathcal{K}_{r}^{(\mathcal{R})}(\vec{q_{i}}, \vec{q_{i+1}}; \vec{q}\,) = -\frac{g^{2}c_{\mathcal{R}}}{2(2\pi)^{D-1}}C^{\mu}(q_{i+1}, q_{i})C_{\mu}(q_{i+1} - q, q_{i} - q)$$

Backup: Kernel and BFKL Green function



Eigenvalues problem for the Kernel in the singlet case $(\mathcal{R} = 0)$

$$\mathcal{K} \bullet \phi_i(\vec{q}\,) = \omega_i \phi_i(\vec{q}\,) \longrightarrow$$

$$\phi_\nu^n(\vec{q}\,) = \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{2}} \left(\vec{q}\,^2\right)^{-\frac{1}{2} + i\nu} e^{in\theta} \leftarrow \text{Eigenfunctions}$$

BFKL Green function

$$G_{\omega}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2) = \sum_n \int d\nu \frac{\phi_{\nu}^n(\vec{q}_1)(\phi_{\nu}^n(\vec{q}_2))^*}{\omega - \omega_n(\nu)}$$

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Backup: BFKL in the NLLA (MRK and QMRK)

- ▶ The BFKL Green function has been calculated up to the NLLA.
- For the next-to-leading logarithms resummation, two kinematics has to be take into account:
 - 1. Multi-Regge kinematics
 - 2. Quasi-multi-Regge kinematics
- Multi-Regge kinematics (one α_s more)

The problem is reduced to the calculation of the two-loop contribution $\omega^{(2)}(t)$ to the gluon trajectory and to the PPR- and RRG- vertices.



Backup: BFKL in the NLLA (MRK and QMRK)

• Quasi-multi-Regge kinematics (one $\ln s$ less)

Any (but only one) pair of the produced particles can have a fixed (not increasing with s) invariant mass, i.e. components of this pair can have rapidities of the same order



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Backup: Mellin transform

Mellin transform

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \int_{1}^{\infty} d\left(\frac{s}{\vec{k}^{2}}\right) \left(\frac{s}{\vec{k}^{2}}\right)^{-\omega-1} f(s)$$



► Example

$$f(s) = s^{\alpha} \ln \left(\frac{s}{\vec{k}^2}\right)^r \xrightarrow[\text{Mellin transform}]{} \mathcal{F}(\omega) = (\vec{k}^2)^{\alpha} \frac{\Gamma(r+1)}{(\omega-\alpha)^{r+1}}$$

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Impact factor calculation

▶ LO impact factor definition:

$$d\Phi_{gg}^{\{Q\bar{Q}\}}(\vec{q},\vec{k},z) = \frac{\langle cc'|\hat{\mathcal{P}}|0\rangle}{2\left(N^2-1\right)} \sum_{\lambda_Q \lambda_{\bar{Q}} \lambda_G} \sum_{Q\bar{Q}a} \int \frac{ds_{gR}}{2\pi} d\rho_{\{Q\bar{Q}\}} \Gamma_{g \to \{Q\bar{Q}\}}^{ca} \left(q,k,z\right) \left(\Gamma_{g \to \{Q\bar{Q}\}}^{ac'}\left(q,k,z\right)\right)^* \left(\Gamma_{g \to \{Q\bar{Q}\}}^{ac'}\left(q,k,z\right)\right)^*$$

Color state projector and differential phase of space:

$$\langle cc' \, | \hat{\mathcal{P}} | 0 \rangle = \frac{\delta^{cc'}}{\sqrt{N^2 - 1}} \,, \qquad \frac{ds_{gR}}{2\pi} d\rho_{\{Q\bar{Q}\}} = \frac{1}{2 \, (2\pi)^3} \delta \left(1 - z - \bar{z}\right) \delta^{(2)} \left(\vec{k} - \vec{q} - \vec{q}\right) \frac{dz d\bar{z}}{z\bar{z}} d^2 \vec{q} \, d^2 \vec{q}$$

• Gauge choice:
$$\epsilon(p_1) \cdot p_2 = 0$$

▶ Non sense polarization for the Reggeon: $\epsilon_R^{\mu} = p_2^{\mu}/s$

Amplitude:

$$\begin{split} \Gamma^{ca}_{g \to \{Q\bar{Q}\}} &= ig^2 \left(\tau^a \tau^c\right) \bar{u}\left(q\right) \left(mR\hat{\epsilon} - 2z\vec{P}\cdot\vec{\epsilon} - \vec{\hat{P}}\hat{\epsilon}\right) \frac{p_2}{\hat{s}} v\left(\bar{q}\right) \\ &+ ig^2 \left(\tau^c \tau^a\right) \bar{u}\left(q\right) \left(m\bar{R}\hat{\epsilon} - 2z\vec{P}\cdot\vec{\epsilon} - \vec{\hat{P}}\right) \frac{\hat{p}_2}{\hat{s}} v\left(\bar{q}\right) \end{split}$$



Projected Impact factor

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$$\frac{d\Phi_{gg}^{\{Q\bar{Q}\}}(n,\nu,\vec{q},z)}{d^{2}\vec{q}\,dz} \equiv \int \frac{d^{2}\vec{k}}{\pi\sqrt{2}} (\vec{k}^{2})^{i\nu-\frac{3}{2}} e^{in\theta} \frac{d\Phi_{gg}^{\{Q\bar{Q}\}}(\vec{k},\vec{q},z)}{d^{2}\vec{q}\,dz}$$

$$=\frac{\alpha_s^2\sqrt{N_c^2-1}}{2\pi N_c}\left\{m^2\left(I_3-2\frac{I_2(0)}{m^2+\vec{q}\,^2}\right)+(z^2+\vec{z}^2)\left(-m^2\left(I_3-2\frac{I_2(0)}{m^2+\vec{q}\,^2}\right)+\frac{I_2(1)}{m^2+\vec{q}\,^2}\right)\right\}$$

$$-\frac{N_c^2}{N_c^2-1} \left[2m^2 \left[\left(z^2 + \bar{z}^2 - 1\right) \left(1 - \left(z^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}-i\nu}\right) \right] \frac{I_2(0)}{m^2 + \bar{q}^{\,2}} + \left[2m^2(z^2 + \bar{z}^2 - 1) \left(z^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}-i\nu} \right] \right]$$

$$\left(I_3 - \frac{I_4(0)}{(z^2)^{\frac{1}{2} - i\nu}}\right) - (z^2 + \bar{z}^2) \left[(1 - z)^2 I_4(1) - \frac{\left(1 - \left(z^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2} - i\nu}\right)}{m^2 + \bar{q}^{2}} I_2(1)\right]\right]$$

$$\equiv \alpha_s^2 \ e^{in\varphi} c(n,\nu,\vec{q},z) \ ,$$

where:

$$I_{2}(\lambda) = \frac{\left(\vec{q}\,^{2}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}}e^{in\varphi}}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\left(m^{2}+\vec{q}\,^{2}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}+\frac{n}{2}-i\nu-\lambda}} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}+\frac{n}{2}+i\nu+\lambda\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}+\frac{n}{2}-i\nu-\lambda\right)}{\Gamma\left(1+n\right)} \\ \times \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}+\frac{n}{2}-i\nu-\lambda\right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{2}+\frac{n}{2}+i\nu+\lambda\right)} \, _{2}F_{1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}+\frac{n}{2}+i\nu+\lambda,\frac{3}{2}+\frac{n}{2}-i\nu-\lambda,1+n,\zeta\right) \,,$$

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$$I_{3} = \frac{\left(\vec{q}^{\ 2}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{in\varphi}}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\left(m^{2} + \vec{q}^{\ 2}\right)^{\frac{5}{2} + \frac{n}{2} - i\nu}} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} + i\nu\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} - i\nu\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 + n\right)} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} - i\nu\right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} + i\nu\right)} \\ \times \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{n}{2} - i\nu\right) \ _{2}F_{1}\left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} + i\nu, \frac{5}{2} + \frac{n}{2} - i\nu, 1 + n, \zeta\right) ,$$

$$\begin{split} I_{4}\left(\lambda\right) &= \frac{\left(\vec{q}^{\ 2}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{in\varphi}}{z^{2}\sqrt{2}} \frac{\left(\frac{3}{2} - i\nu - \lambda + \frac{n}{2}\right)}{\left(m^{2} + \vec{q}^{\ 2}\right)^{\frac{5}{2} - i\nu - \lambda + \frac{n}{2}}} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} + i\nu + \lambda\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} - i\nu - \lambda\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 + n\right)} \\ &\times \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} - i\nu - \lambda\right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} + i\nu + \lambda\right)} \int_{0}^{1} d\Delta \left(1 + \frac{\Delta}{z} - \Delta\right)^{n} \left(1 + \frac{\Delta}{z^{2}} - \Delta\right)^{-\frac{5}{2} + i\nu + \lambda - \frac{n}{2}} \\ &\times \ _{2}F_{1}\left(-\frac{1}{2} + i\nu + \lambda + \frac{n}{2}, \frac{5}{2} - i\nu - \lambda + \frac{n}{2}, 1 + n, \zeta \ \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\Delta}{z} - \Delta\right)^{2}}{\left(1 + \frac{\Delta}{z^{2}} - \Delta\right)}\right) \ , \end{split}$$

 $\zeta \equiv \frac{\vec{q}\,^2}{m^2 + \vec{q}\,^2}; \, \text{the azimuthal angles } \theta \text{ and } \varphi \text{ are defined as } \cos \theta \equiv k_x / |\vec{k}| \text{ and } \cos \varphi \equiv q_x / |\vec{q}|.$

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$$\begin{split} I_1 &\equiv \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}}{\pi \sqrt{2}} \left(\vec{k}\,^2\right)^{i\nu - \frac{3}{2}} e^{in\theta} \,, \quad \text{for } n \neq 0 \,, \\ I_2 \left(\lambda\right) &\equiv \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}}{\pi \sqrt{2}} (\vec{k}\,^2)^{i\nu - \frac{3}{2}} e^{in\theta} \frac{(\vec{k}\,^2)^{\lambda}}{m^2 + (\vec{q} - \vec{k})^2} \\ I_3 &\equiv \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}}{\pi \sqrt{2}} (\vec{k}\,^2)^{i\nu - \frac{3}{2}} e^{in\theta} \frac{1}{\left(m^2 + (\vec{q} - \vec{k})^2\right)^2} \\ I_4 \left(\lambda\right) &\equiv \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}}{\pi \sqrt{2}} (\vec{k}\,^2)^{i\nu - \frac{3}{2}} e^{in\theta} \frac{(\vec{k}\,^2)^{\lambda}}{(m^2 + (\vec{q} - \vec{k})^2)(m^2 + (\vec{q} - z\vec{k})^2)} \,, \end{split}$$

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"Box" $Q\bar{Q}$ mechanism

"Box" cross section



• "Box" vs C_0

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$ \begin{array}{c} 1.5 \\ 3.0 \\ 4.5 \\ 6.0 \\ 7.5 \\ \end{array} $	33830.3 3368.86 124.333 3.19206 0.0610921	38.17(24) 18.118(98) 6.996(33) 1.976(10) 0.3317(16)	$\begin{array}{c} 30.01(21) \\ 13.191(71) \\ 4.715(23) \\ 1.2430(60) \\ 0.19115(92) \\ 0.19115(92) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 23.58(16) \\ 9.838(61) \\ 3.276(16) \\ 0.8044(38) \\ 0.11509(57) \\ 0.9042(20) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 22.25(26) \\ 7.245(74) \\ 2.209(20) \\ 0.4497(35) \\ 0.05318(36) \\ 0.05318(36) \end{array}$	23.93(23) 8.205(76) 2.411(17) 0.4968(35) 0.05785(39)	$\begin{array}{c} 25.19(27) \\ 8.172(82) \\ 2.422(19) \\ 0.4868(37) \\ 0.05577(42) \\ 0.05577(42) \end{array}$

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Process:

$$\gamma(p_1) + \gamma(p_2) \longrightarrow Q - \operatorname{jet}(q_1) + Q - \operatorname{jet}(q_2) + X$$

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- ▶ The cross section has the same structure
- ▶ Impact factor:

$$\begin{split} d\Phi_{\gamma\gamma}^{\{Q\bar{Q}\}}(\vec{k},\vec{q},z) &= \frac{\alpha\alpha_s e_q^2}{\pi} \sqrt{N_c^2 - 1} \left[m^2 R^2 + \left(z^2 + \bar{z}^2 \right) \vec{P}^{\ 2} \right] d^2 \vec{q} \ dz \ , \\ R &= \frac{1}{m^2 + \vec{q}^{\ 2}} - \frac{1}{m^2 + (\vec{q} - \vec{k})^2} \ , \qquad \vec{P} = \frac{\vec{q}}{m^2 + \vec{q}^{\ 2}} - \frac{\vec{q} - \vec{k}}{m^2 + (\vec{q} - \vec{k})^2} \end{split}$$

$$\blacktriangleright \text{ PDF } (f_g(x_1, \mu_{F_1})) \longrightarrow \text{EPA } (n(x))$$

▶ Color and coupling pre-factors enhance hadro-production cross section by some 10³ respect to the photo-production one

Backup: Hadroproduction vs photoproduction

 $\triangleright C_0$

• c-jet (
$$m_c = 1.2 \text{ GeV}$$
), $\sqrt{s} = 3 \text{ TeV}$, $q_{\min} = 1 \text{ GeV}$, $q_{\max} = 10 \text{ GeV}$

