MSTT factorization: Bridging Large-x and Small-x

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Motivation



- TMD factorization connects TMDPDF(x, b_{\perp}) to cross-sections
- At large-x : collinear matching \rightarrow \mathbf{DGLAP} and \mathbf{CSS}
- At small-x : eikonal expansion \rightarrow ${\bf BFKL}$
- Understanding the general structure of TMDPDFs (large-x logs and small-x logs)



Unified description of DGLAP, CSS, and BFKL evolution: TMD factorization bridging large and small x

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- A general framework which gives the full UV and IR picture of TMDs
- Based on the background field method
- Reduces to the collinear matching formula and the eikonal expansion formula in the appropriate limits

TMD factorization



$$\Lambda^2_{QCD} << q_{\perp}^2 << Q^2 \implies b_{\perp} \leq \Lambda^{-1}_{QCD}(\mathbf{Large})$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQdyd^2q_{\perp}} = H(Q,\mu) \int d^2b_{\perp} e^{iq_{\perp}.b_{\perp}} \operatorname{TMDPDF}_1(x_a,b_{\perp},\mu,\zeta_a) \operatorname{TMDPDF}_2(x_b,b_{\perp},\mu,\zeta_b) + \mathcal{O}(\frac{q_{\perp}^2}{Q^2})$$

Collins(2011) TMD handbook(2304.03302)

Collinear matching

- Complicated dependence of TMDPDF $(x, b_{\perp}, \mu, \zeta)$ on μ and ζ
- Expand in b_{\perp} :

$$\mathrm{TMDPDF}(x, b_{\perp}, \mu, \zeta) = C_1(\mu, \zeta) \otimes \underbrace{\mathrm{PDF}(x, \mu)}_{\mathbf{Twist 2}} + b_{\perp}^2 C_2(\mu, \zeta) \otimes \underbrace{\mathrm{PDF}_3(x, \mu) + \dots \\ \mathbf{Higher \ twist \ content}}_{\mathbf{Higher \ twist \ content}}$$

• This is the collinear twist expansion

Need to resum all twists to get the full picture

Eg. Scimeme, Tarasov, Vladimirov (2019)

CSS framework: Keep leading twist

$$TMDPDF(x_B, b_{\perp}, \mu, \zeta) = PDF(x_B, \mu) - \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} L_b^{\mu} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z} P_{gg}(z) PDF(\frac{x_B}{z}, \mu)$$
$$- \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \left(-\frac{1}{2} (L_b^{\mu})^2 + L_b^{\mu} ln \frac{\mu^2}{\zeta^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right) PDF(x_B, \mu)$$
$$CSS$$

- Valid for: b_{\perp} small
- But TMD region: b_{\perp} large
- Introduce Non-perturbative function to extrapolate
- Large x phenomenology

• Expand in x_B

$$\mathrm{TMDPDF}(x_B, b_{\perp}, \mu, \zeta) = \underbrace{\tilde{C}_1 \otimes \mathrm{DIPOLE}(b_{\perp}, \zeta)}_{\mathbf{BFKL \ logs}} + x_B \underbrace{\tilde{C}_2 \otimes D_2(b_{\perp}, \zeta) + \dots}_{\mathbf{Sub-eikonal \ corrections}}$$

Need to resum all subeikonal corrections to get the full picture

Altinoluk, Arnesto, Beuf, Martinelli, Martinez, Salgado (2014) Balitsky, Tarasov (2014-2016) Chirilli (2019) Cougoulic, Kovchegov, Tarasov, Tawabutr (2022) • Expand in x_B

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Hence we need a new scheme which keeps full dependence on x_B and b_{\perp}

Summary

MSTT factorization is based on the background field method

gluon TMDPDF (x_B, b_{\perp}) operator



Eikonal expansion/BFKL

Collinear matching/CSS

CSS (N.P.B, 250, 1985) DGLAP (N.P.B, 126, 1977) BFKL (P.L.B, 60, 1975) MSTT (P.R.D 109, no.3, 034035 (2024)) SCET (P.L.B, 735, 2014)

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Background field method

 $\langle P_1 | O | P_2 \rangle = \int DC \ \psi_{P_1}^*(C(t_i)) \ O(C) \ \psi_{P_2}(C(t_f)) \ e^{-iS_{QCD}(C)}$

Split the field modes into different parts

$$\mathbf{C}_{\mu} = \mathbf{A}_{\mu} + \mathbf{B}_{\mu}$$



• Integrate A modes out with B fixed

 $egin{array}{c} A_\mu & & & \\ & & & \\ B_\mu & & & \\ \end{array}$

 $\langle P_1|O(C)|P_2\rangle = Coeff \times \langle P_1|\tilde{O}(B)|P_2\rangle$

The exact structure depends on the particular factorization scheme

How we use the background field method

• Separate the hard modes:

 $\langle P_1 | \text{Observable} | P_2 \rangle = \text{Hard} \times \langle P_1 | O(B) | P_2 \rangle$



Gives a factorization formula like the DY TMD factorization

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 $\langle P_1 | \text{Observable} | P_2 \rangle = \text{Hard} \times \langle P_1 | O(B) | P_2 \rangle$

• Separate into Quantum and background modes

 $\langle P_1 | O(B) | P_2 \rangle = \text{Coeff} \times \langle P_1 | \tilde{O}(B^{bg}) | P_2 \rangle$



Coeff contains the logarithms which generate the evolution equations

Definitions

We consider the matrix element of gluon TMD

 $B_{ij}(x_B, b_{\perp}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz^- e^{-ix_B P^+ z^-} \langle P, S | F_{-i}^m(z^-, b_{\perp}) [z^-, \infty]_b^{ma} [\infty, 0^-]_0^{an} F_{-j}^n(0^-, 0_{\perp}) | P, S \rangle$



Gluon beam function



$$\mathcal{S}(b_{\perp}) = \langle 0|Tr[S_{\bar{n}}^{\dagger}(b_{\perp}) S_{n}(b_{\perp}) S_{n}^{\dagger}(0_{\perp}) S_{\bar{n}}(0_{\perp})]|0\rangle$$
$$\boxed{f_{ij}(x_{B}, b_{\perp}) = B_{ij}(x_{B}, b_{\perp}) \sqrt{S(b_{\perp})}}$$

TMD

$$f_{ij}(x_B, b_{\perp}) = B_{ij}(x_B, b_{\perp}) \sqrt{S(b_{\perp})}$$

- μ_{UV} separates hard factor and TMD
- ν separates soft factor and TMD

UV scales : μ_{UV}, ν



Soft function is introduced to avoid double-counting

Separate TMD modes into a quantum part and a background part

Using background field method:

 $f_{ij}(B) = \text{Coeff} \otimes f_{ij}(B^{bg})$

IR scales ρ , μ_{IR} separate B^q and B^{bg}



 $f_{ij}(\text{UV scales}) = \text{Coeff}(\text{UV scales}, \text{IR scales}) f_{ij}(\text{IR scales})$

Calculate the coefficient Coeff(UV scales, IR scales)

How are the scales introduced?

- By regulating divergences. We use renormalization method (not strict cutoffs)
- Dimensional regularization is used to regulate transverse integrals
- η regularization is used to regulate rapidity divergences

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dk^-}{k^-} \to \int_0^\infty \frac{dk^-}{k^-} |k^+|^{-\eta}$$

- UV poles are removed by multiplying $B_{ij}(x, b_{\perp})$ with Z_{UV} and $\sqrt{S(b_{\perp})}$
- IR poles are absorbed in Background field operators

J. Y. Chiu, A. Jain, D. Neill and I. Z. Rothstein, JHEP 05, 084 (2012) doi:10.1007/JHEP05(2012)084 [arXiv:1202.0814 [hep-ph]].

gluon beam function

NLO(Dilute) background \downarrow Real + virtual $O(\alpha_S)$ corrections **1-loop Coefficient with UV and IR divergences** Regulate divergences \downarrow Use Dim reg and η scheme **Coeff^{1-loop}(UV scales, IR scales) with UV and IR poles**

Multiply Z_{UV} and \sqrt{S} to remove UV \downarrow Absorb IR poles in background fields $f_{ij}(\mathbf{UV \ scales}) = C^{1 \ loop}(\mathbf{UV \ scales}, \mathbf{IR \ scales}) \otimes f_{ij}(\mathbf{IR \ scales})$

Real corrections



- Computed in 2-gluon background (dilute)
- B^{bg} provides non-zero transverse momentum
- This is different from collinear matching and SCET where background fields transfer zero transverse momentum

Real corrections



• \mathbf{k}_{\perp} divergence:

Dim reg: Get μ_{UV} and μ_{IR} scales

• Rapidity UV $(\mathbf{k}^- \rightarrow \infty)$ divergence: η scheme: Get ν scale

Real corrections: Result

$$\begin{split} B_{ij}^{real}(x_B, b_{\perp}) &= -\frac{4\alpha_s N_c}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^2 p_{\perp} e^{ip_{\perp}b_{\perp}} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z(1-z)} \int d^2 k_{\perp} \left[\text{Finite diagrams} \right] \\ &\times \int d^2 z_{\perp} e^{-i(p_{\perp}-k_{\perp})z_{\perp}} B_{lm}(\frac{x_B}{z}, z_{\perp}) - \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \boxed{\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_{IR}} + L_b^{\mu_{IR}}\right) \int_0^1 dz \left[\frac{1}{(1-z)_{+}} + \frac{1}{z}\right]} B_{ij}(\frac{x_B}{z}, b_{\perp}) \\ &\text{IR pole: Part of DGLAP} \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \boxed{\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_{UV}} + ln(\frac{b_{\perp}^2 \mu_{UV}^2}{2e^{-\gamma_E}})\right) \left(\frac{1}{\eta} + \ln\left(\frac{\nu}{x_B P^+}\right)\right)} \\ &\text{UV Pole: CSS evolution} \end{split}$$

$$z = \frac{x_B}{x_B + \frac{k^+}{P^+}}$$

- k_⊥ divergence:
 Dim reg: Get μ_{IR}, μ_{UV} scales
- Rapidity IR (k⁻ → 0) divergence:
 η scheme: Get ρ scale



• Vanishes for collinear/SCET where $k_{\perp} - p_{\perp} = 0$ \implies no rapidity IR divergence

Virtual corrections



Virtual corrections: Result

$$\begin{split} B_{ij}^{virt}(x_B, b_{\perp}) &= -\frac{\alpha_S N_c}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_{IR}^2} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{\epsilon_{IR}} \left(\frac{1}{\zeta} + ln(\frac{\rho}{x_B P^+}) \right) - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right)}_{\text{Virtual part of the BFKL kernel}} \\ &\times \int d^2 z_{\perp} \int d^2 p_{\perp} \, e^{ip_{\perp}(b-z)_{\perp}} \left(\frac{\mu_{IR}^2}{p_{\perp}^2} \right)^{\epsilon_{IR}} \frac{g_{il} p_j p_m + p_i p_l g_{mj}}{p_{\perp}^2} \, B_{lm}^{bg}(x_B, z_{\perp}) \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_{UV}} \frac{\beta_0}{2N_c} + \frac{67}{18} - \frac{5N_f}{9N_c} \right) \int d^2 z_{\perp} \int d^2 p_{\perp} \, e^{ip_{\perp}(b-z)_{\perp}} \left(\frac{\mu_{UV}^2}{p_{\perp}^2} \right)^{\epsilon_{UV}} \, B_{ij}^{bg}(x_B, z_{\perp}) \end{split}$$

- TMDPDFs contain BFKL logs
- Collinear/SCET miss these contribution since virtual diagrams vanish

Construction of full result

- Transverse UV pole, $1/\epsilon_{UV}$ is removed by Z_{UV}
- Rapidity UV pole, $1/\eta$ is removed by $S(b_{\perp})$
- The IR poles, $1/\epsilon_{IR}$ and $1/\xi$ are absorbed into $B_{ij}^{bg}(x_B, b_{\perp})$

UV scales : μ_{UV} , ν IR scales : μ_{IR} , ρ



Full result

Collinear matching



- No transverse momenta from background fields
- Additional factorization condition: $k_{\perp}^{\text{background}} \ll k_{\perp}^{\text{quantum}}$
- Collinear singularity appears in previously finite diagrams



Collinear matching



$$-\frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} L_b^{\mu_{\rm IR}} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z} P_{gg}(z) f_1(\frac{x_B}{z}, 0_{\perp}, \mu_{\rm IR}^2) + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \Big(-\frac{1}{2} (L_b^{\mu_{\rm UV}})^2 + L_b^{\mu_{\rm UV}} \ln \frac{\mu_{\rm UV}^2}{\zeta^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \Big) f_1(x_B, 0_{\perp}, \mu_{\rm IR}^2) + \dots,$$

DGLAP CSS

- Coincides with standard SCET results
- No virtual contributions present

Take the small x limit $x_B \to 0$

$$B_{ij}^{bg}(x_B, b_{\perp}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz^- e^{-ix_B P^+ z^-} \int d^2 b_{\perp} e^{-ib_{\perp} \cdot p_{\perp}} \langle P|F_{-i}^m(z^-, b_{\perp}) [z^-, \infty]_b^{ma} [\infty, 0^-]_0^{an} F_{-j}^n(0^-, 0_{\perp}) |P\rangle^{bg}$$

$$\xrightarrow{x_B \to 0} \langle P|Tr(U_b \partial_i U_b^{\dagger})(U_0 \partial_j U_0^{\dagger})|P\rangle \implies f_{ij}(x_B, p_{\perp}) = \frac{p_i p_j}{p_{\perp}^2} h_1(x_b, p_{\perp})$$

- At small-x TMDPDFs match to WW distributions
- Additional factorization condition: $k_{\text{quantum}}^- >> k_{\text{background}}^-$
- Rapidity IR divergence in real corrections as a result



$$f_{1}(x_{B}, p_{\perp}, \mu_{\mathrm{UV}}^{2}, \zeta) \simeq \mathcal{H}_{1}(p_{\perp}, \rho) + \boxed{\ln \frac{\rho}{\zeta} \int d^{2}k_{\perp}K_{\mathrm{BFKL}}(p_{\perp}, k_{\perp})\mathcal{H}_{1}(p_{\perp} - k_{\perp}, \rho)}_{\mathrm{BFKL}}$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_{s}N_{c}}{2\pi} \int d^{2}b_{\perp} \left(-\frac{1}{2}(L_{b}^{\mu_{\mathrm{UV}}})^{2} + L_{b}^{\mu_{\mathrm{UV}}} \ln \frac{\mu_{\mathrm{UV}}^{2}}{\zeta^{2}} - \frac{\pi^{2}}{12} \right) \int d^{2}k_{\perp}e^{ik_{\perp}b_{\perp}}\mathcal{H}_{1}(p_{\perp} - k_{\perp}, \rho)$$

$$CSS$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_{s}N_{c}}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\beta_{0}}{2N_{c}} \ln \frac{\mu_{\mathrm{UV}}^{2}}{p_{\perp}^{2}} + \frac{67}{18} - \frac{5N_{f}}{9N_{c}} \right) \mathcal{H}_{1}(p_{\perp}, \rho) .$$

Outlook

TMD phenomenology

- Generalization from collinear framework to MSTT framework
- CSS equation will change due to BFKL type logs
- NP function not needed at large b_{\perp} ?

Lattice

- $\bullet\,$ Compute matching between pseudo/quasi TMDPDFs and TMDPDFS with MSTT
- Changes expected due to BFKL type logs

Small-x

• TMDPDFs calculated with MSTT and extracted from phenomenology/lattice can be used to provide initial conditions for small-x evolution

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$$A^n \sim (p^+, p^-, p_\perp) \sim Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda) , A^{\overline{n}} \sim Q(1, \lambda^2, \lambda) , S \sim Q(\lambda, \lambda, \lambda)$$

where $\lambda \ll 1$ is a small scale.

- Glauber SCET off-shell modes: $G \sim Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda)$
- MSTT distribution functions are defined by the cutoffs instead of fixed scaling
- Typical off-shell modes ~ $Q(\lambda^4, 1, \lambda)$

Separation of Rapidity divergences

• Rapidity divergences are typically of the form,

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

• Introduce the z-variable to separate rapidity divergence,

$$z = \frac{x_B}{x_B + \frac{k_{\perp}^2}{2k^- P^+}}$$

It is the fraction of longitudinal (+) momenta coming from the hadron before the loop correction

• Separation of rapidity divergence

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dk^-}{k^-} \to \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z} + \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{1-z}$$
Rapidity IR Rapidity UV

Real corrections: Lipatov vertex



$$L^{ab}_{\mu j}(k, y_{\perp}, x_B) \equiv i \lim_{k^2 \to 0} k^2 \langle B^{qa}_{\mu}(k) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy^- e^{ix_B P^+ y^-} [\infty, y^-]^{bd}_y F^{q+bg;d}_{-j}(y^-, y_{\perp}) \rangle_{B^{bg}}$$

$$\langle \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_i^a(x_B, x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_j^a(x_B, y_\perp) \rangle^{\text{real}} = -\int \frac{dk^-}{2k^-} \int d^2k_\perp \tilde{L}_i^{\ \mu ba}(k, x_\perp, x_B) L_{\mu j}^{ab}(k, y_\perp, x_B)$$

Rapidity Divergence in real corrections



By kinematics of real correction: $z \ge x_B$

- MSTT only has Rapidity UV divergences in real corrections
- Simple computation shows that CSS log comes with μ_{IR}
- Need to combine with wilson line virtual correction diagram to get the shown μ_{UV} dependence



Soft factor and UV renormalization



$$S^{(1)}(b_{\perp}) = \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon_{UV}^2} + 4\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_{UV}} + L_b\right) \left(-\frac{1}{\eta} + \ln\frac{\mu}{\nu} \right) - L_b^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right)$$

$$Z_{UV} = 1 - \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon_{UV}^2} + \frac{1}{\epsilon_{UV}} \ln \left(\frac{\mu_{UV}^2}{(x_B P^+)^2} \right) \right]$$