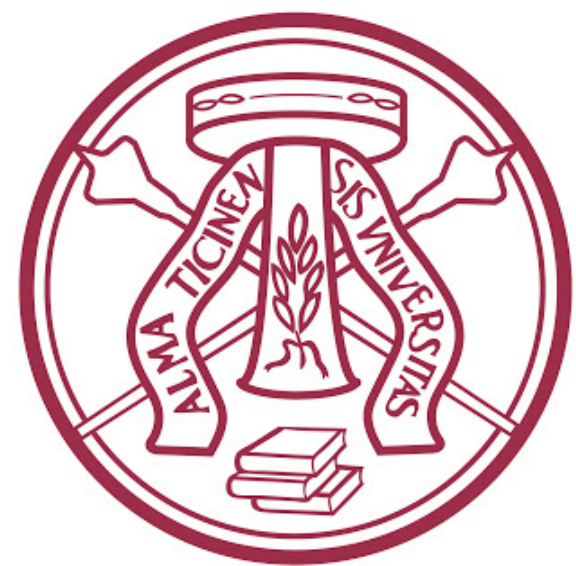


# Matching relations for gluon TMDs up to one-loop accuracy

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# Introduction

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Constraints on TMD functional form  $\rightarrow$  Parameterization  $f_i(x, b) \propto \sum_j \left( C_{ij} \otimes f_j \right)(x)$

Predictions for TMD observables

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$h_{1L}$	$h_1$	$\mathcal{T}_h$	NLO
$h_{1T}^\perp$	-	$\mathcal{T}_h$	LO
$f_{1T}^\perp$	-	$T, \mathcal{G}$	NLO
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# LO and NLO Results

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Does a unified treatment exist?

*Moos, Vladimirov, JHEP 12 (2020) 145*

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# Example of results: unpolarized

$$f_1^g(x, b) = f_g(x)$$

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!(k-1)!} \left( \frac{x^2 M^2 b^2}{4} \right)^k \int_0^1 du \int dy \delta(x - uy) \left( \frac{1-u}{u} \right)^{k-1} f_g(y)$$

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WW approximation

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$\Gamma_{\mu\nu}$  proper projector

$p_j, s_j$  gluon/quark final state

# Main idea

Question: can we extend to higher-twist? and how?

$$p_j^\mu = (p^+, 0, \mathbf{0}) \implies p_j^\mu = \left(p^+, \frac{\mathbf{p}_T^2}{2p^+}, \mathbf{p}_T\right)$$

$(\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{p}_T)^n$  associated to higher-twist terms

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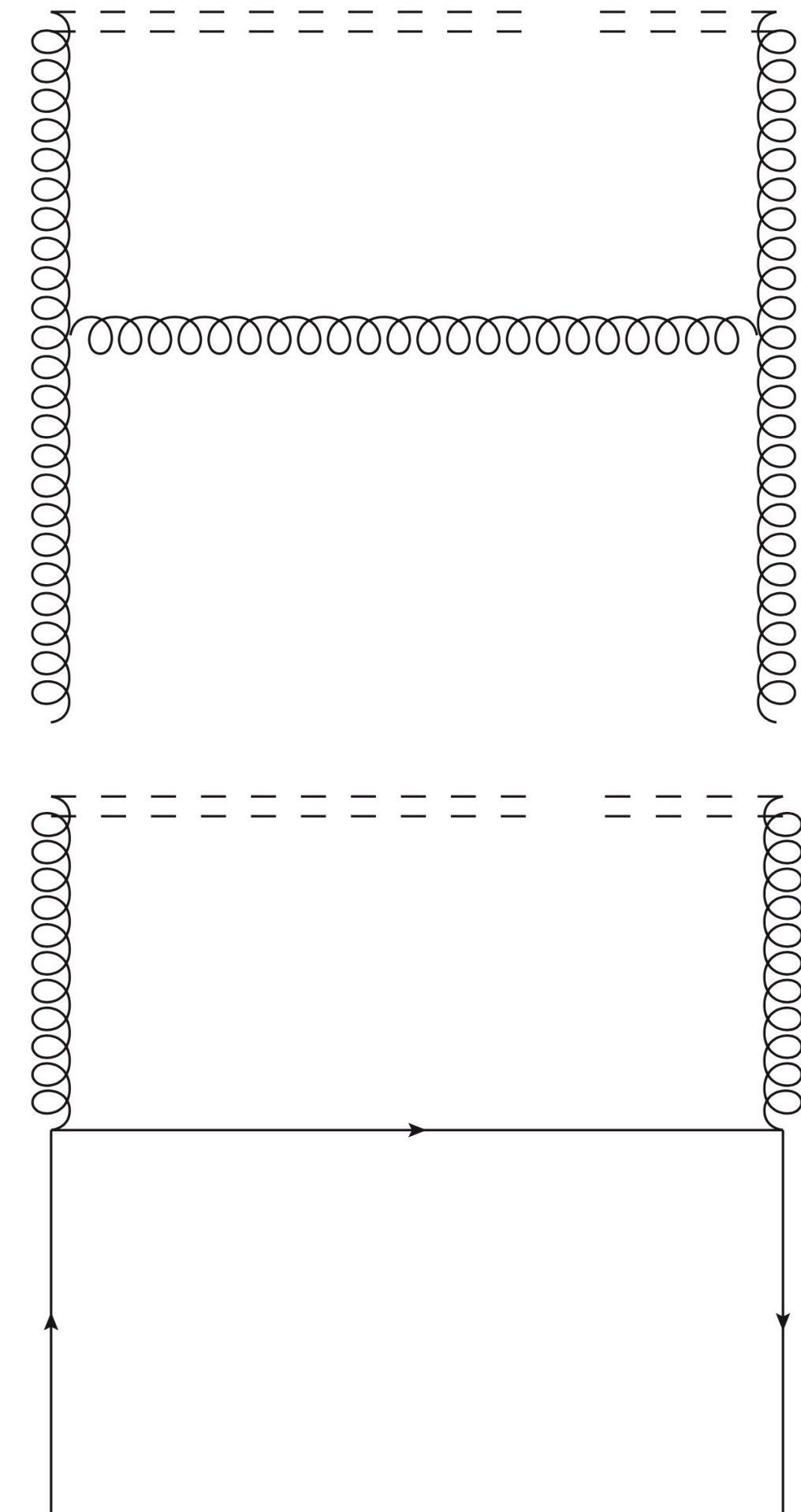
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$$\text{NLO: } e^{i(bp_T)} \rightarrow e^{iu(bp_T)}$$

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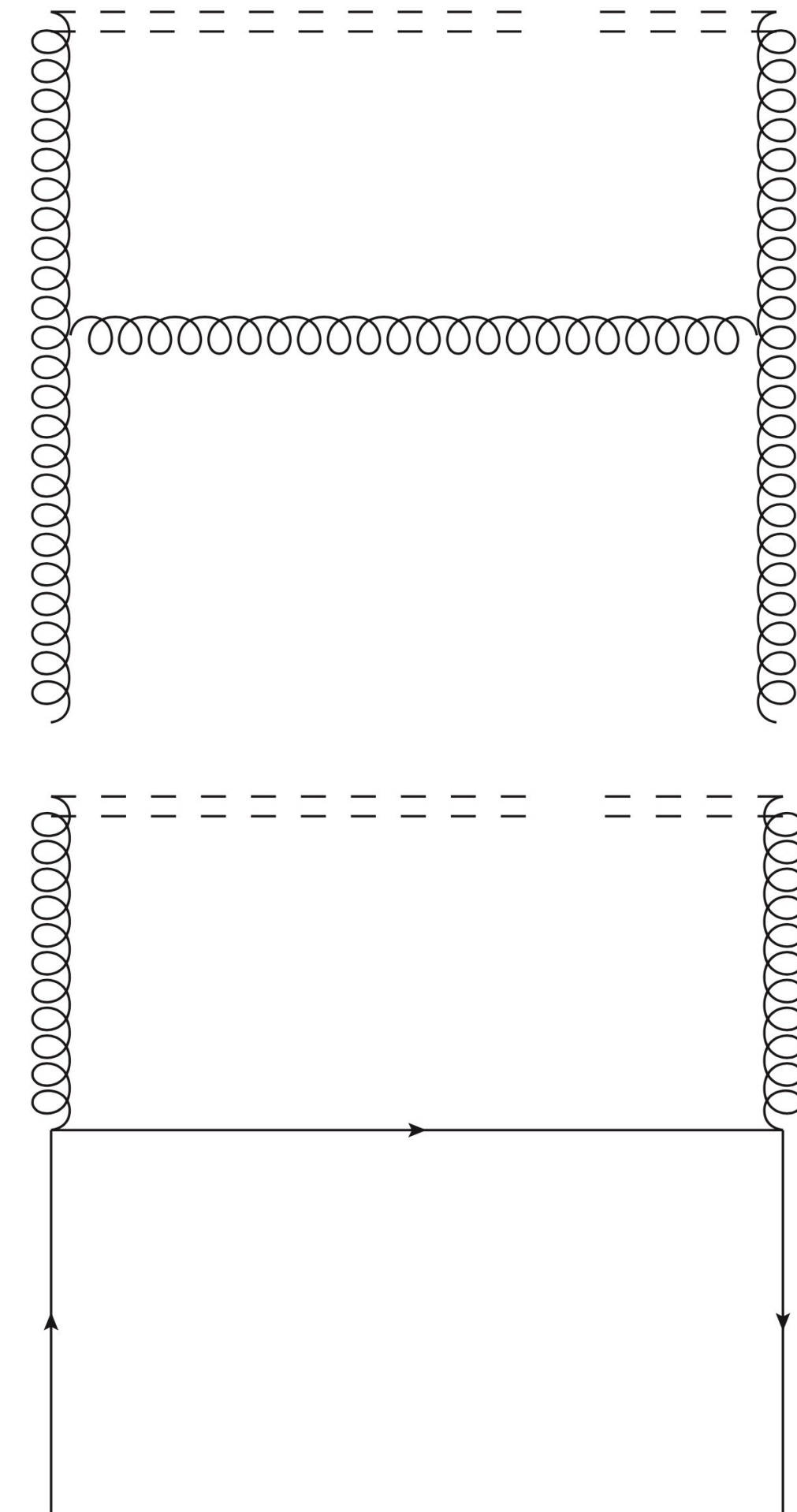
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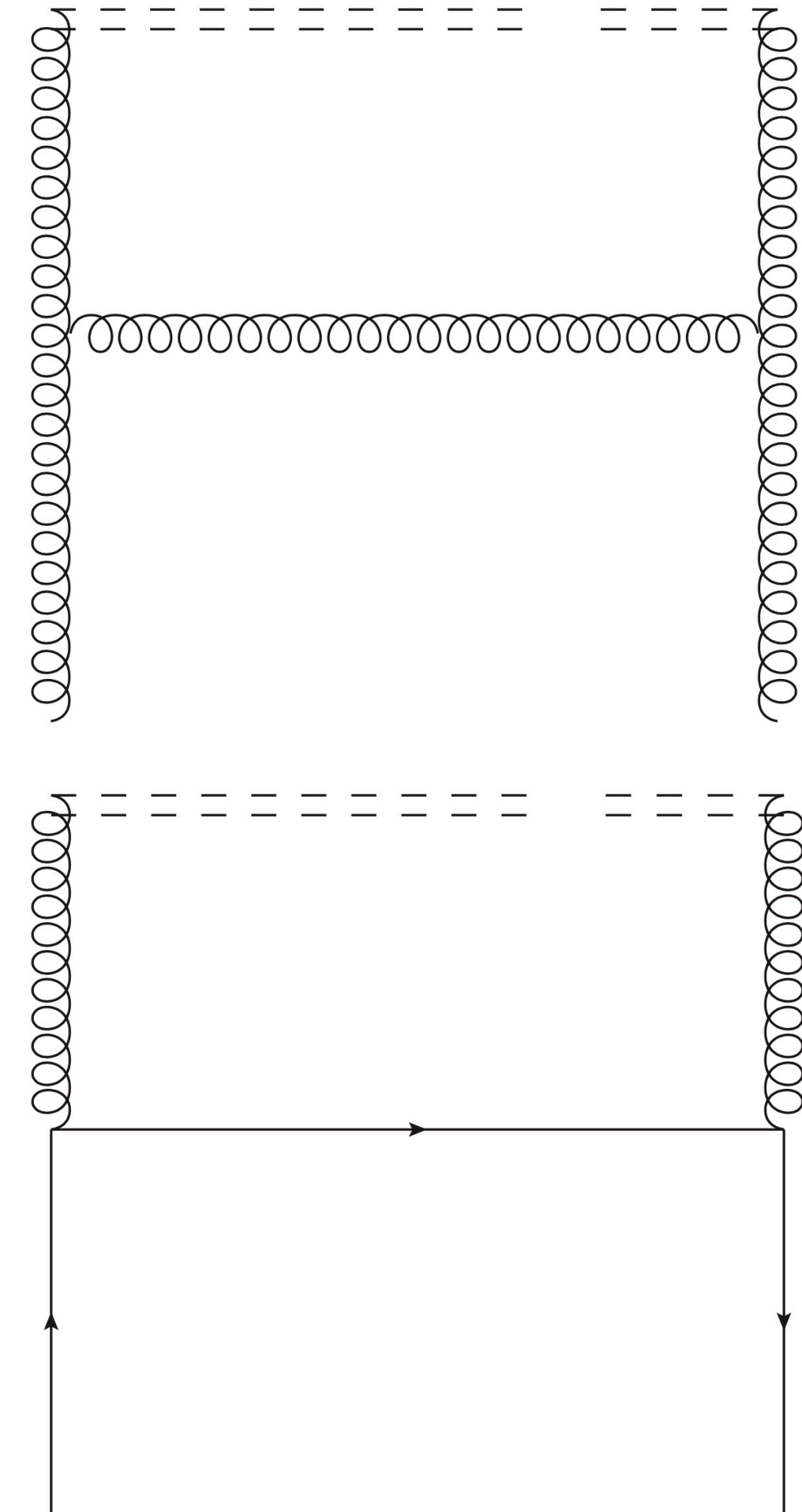
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Wandzura-Wilczek for the  $g_{1T}^{\perp,g}$ :

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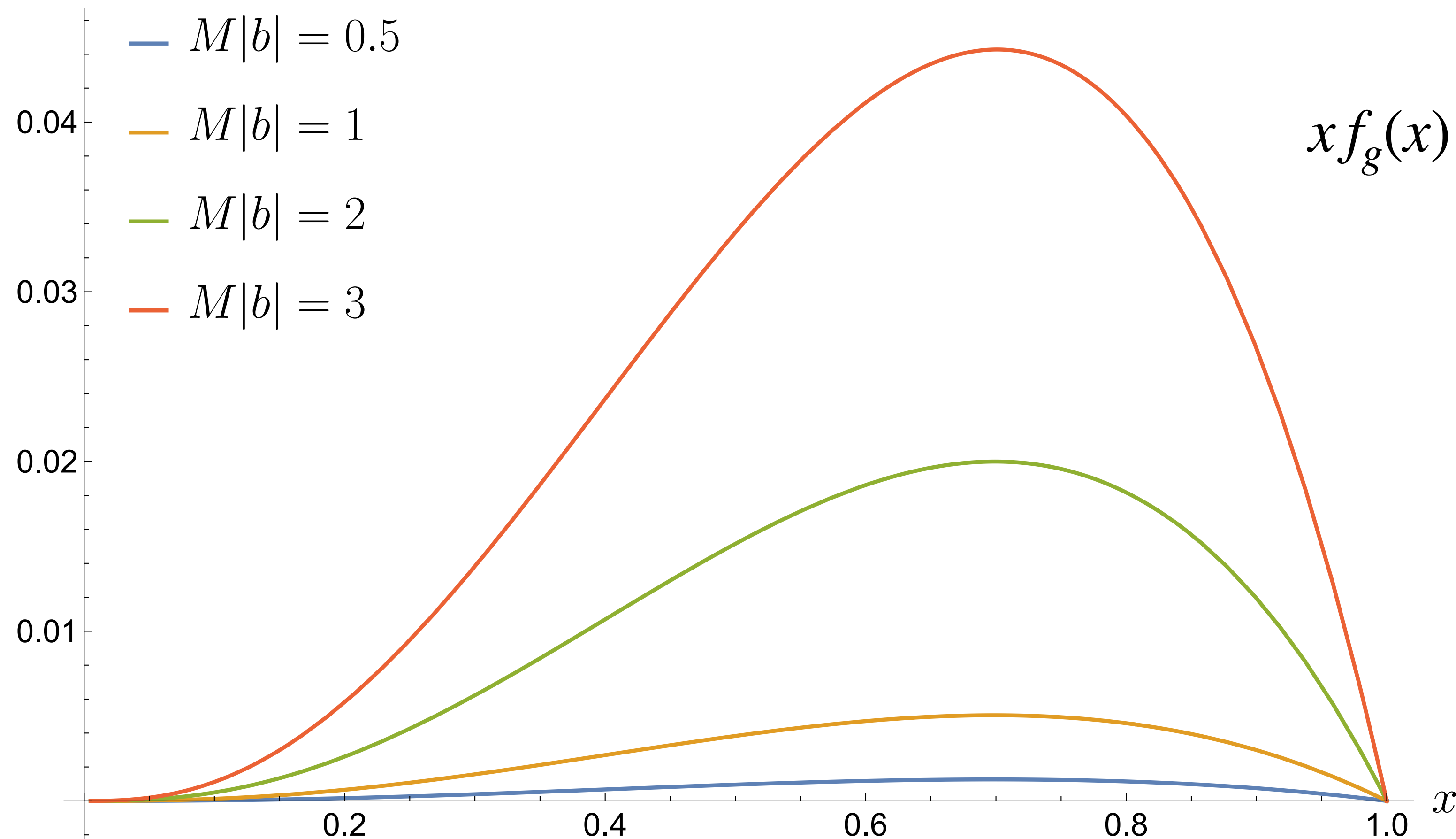
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# Magnitude of mass corrections: unpolarized

$$\frac{M_g(x)}{f_g(x)}$$

$$f_g(x)$$

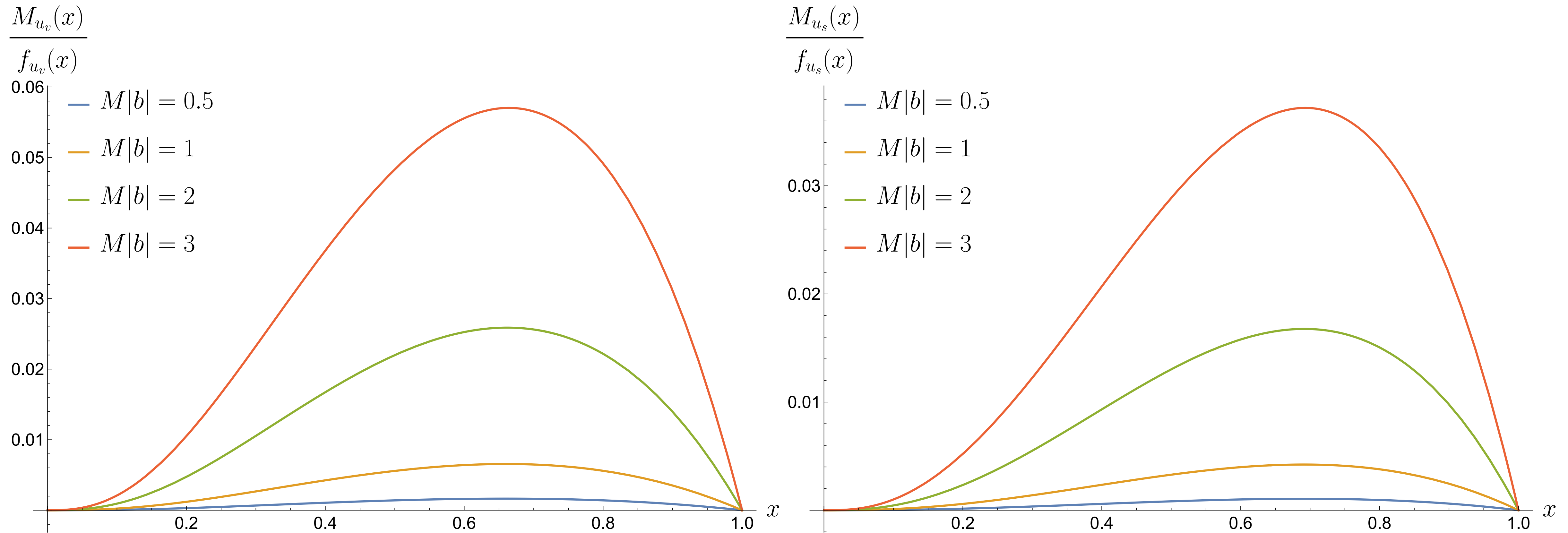


$$x f_i(x) = A_i x^{\alpha_i} (1-x)^{\beta_i} P_i(x)$$

$$x f_g(x) = A_g x^{\alpha_g} (1-x)^{\beta_g} - A'_g x^{\alpha'_g} (1-x)^{\beta'_g}$$

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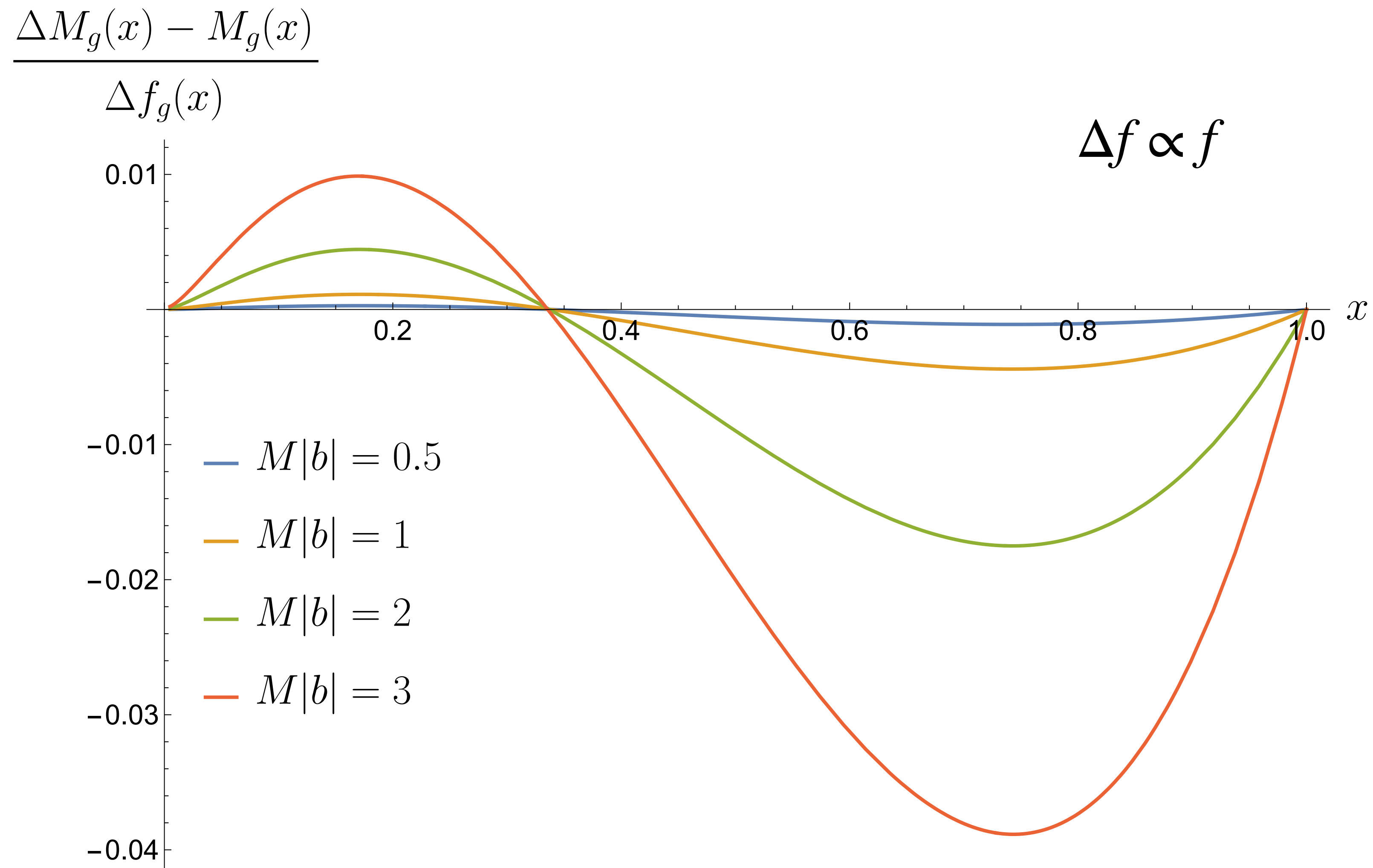
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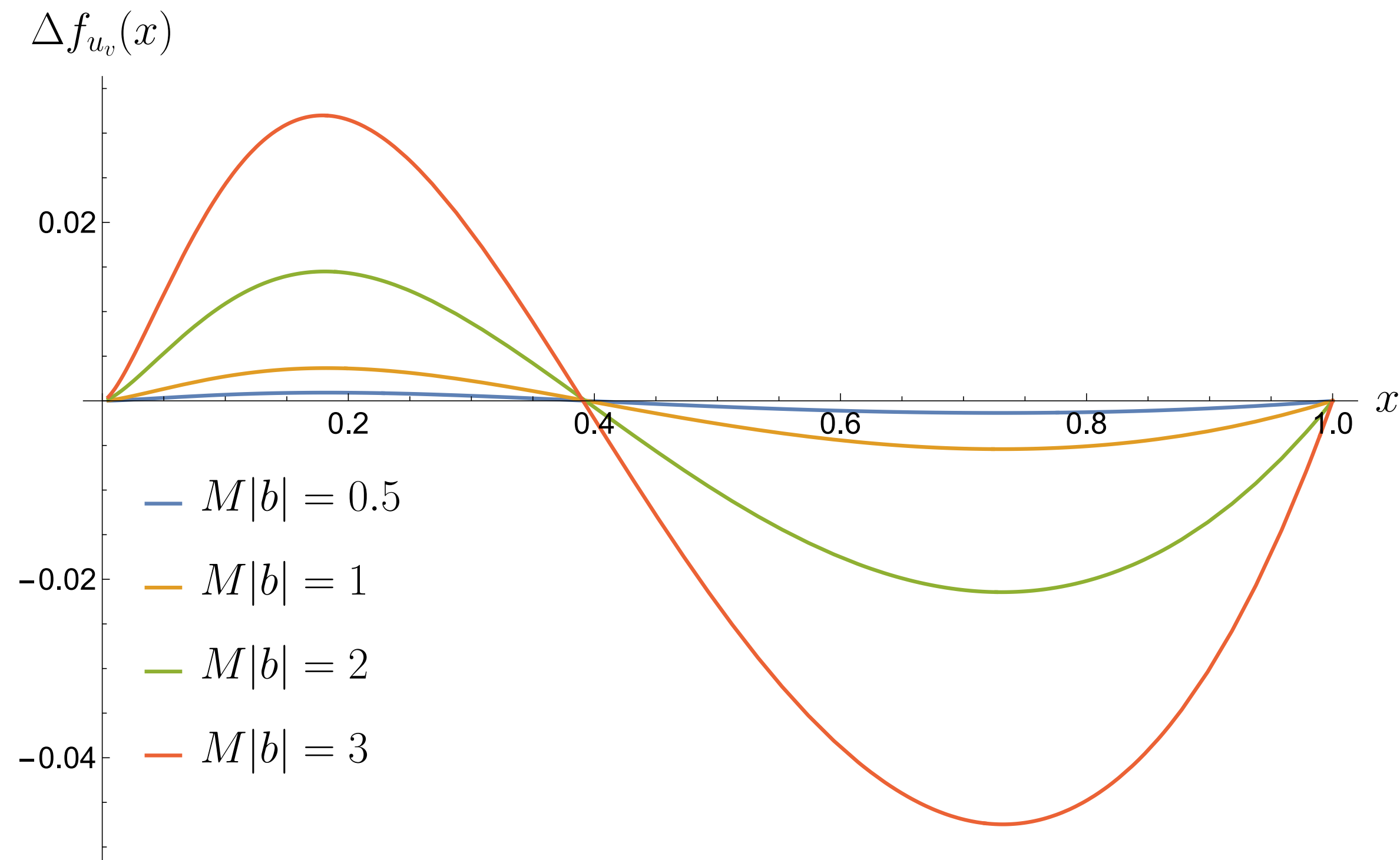
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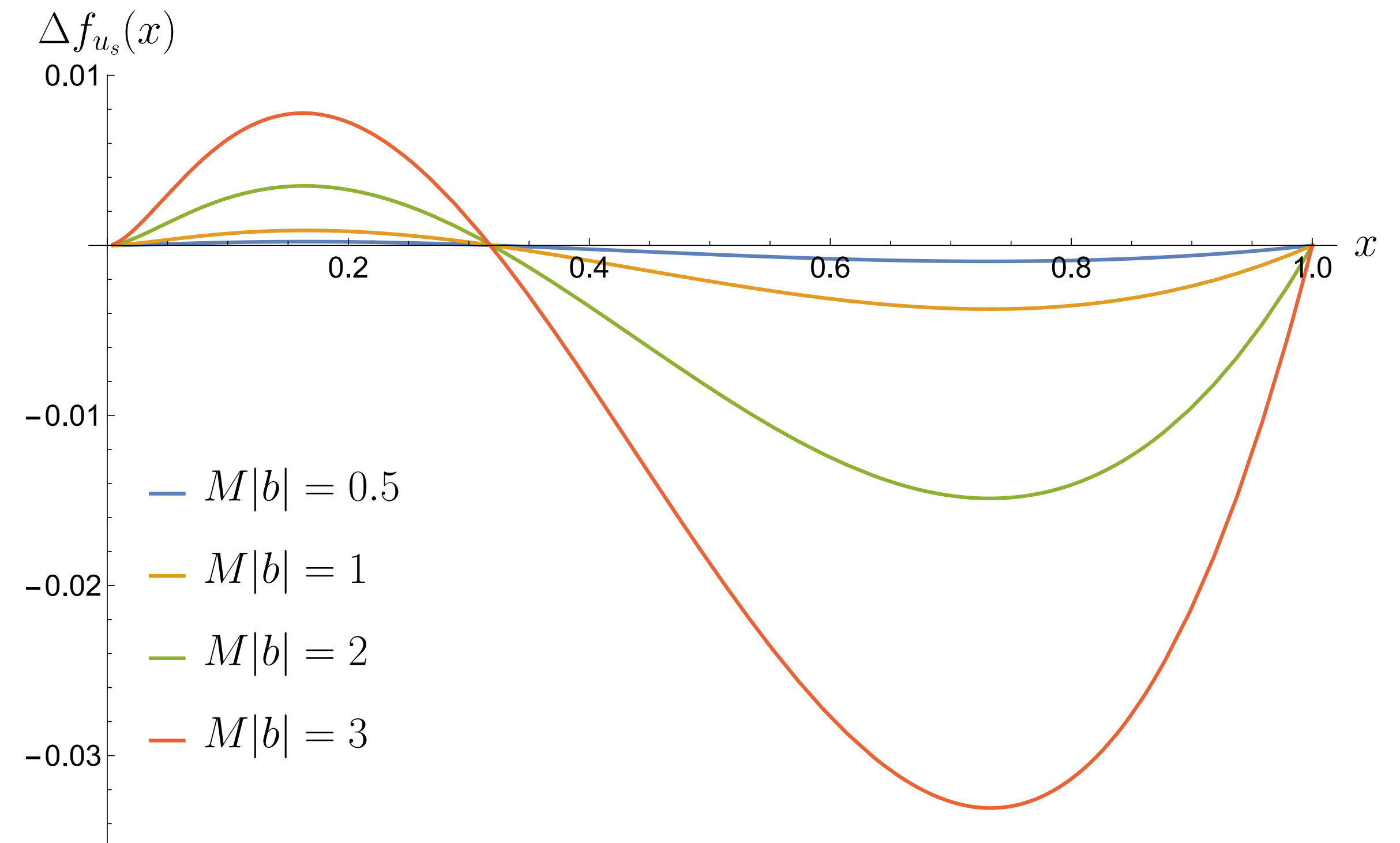


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$$\frac{\Delta M_{u_v}(x) - M_{u_v}(x)}{\Delta f_{u_v}(x)}$$



$$\frac{\Delta M_{u_s}(x) - M_{u_s}(x)}{\Delta f_{u_s}(x)}$$



# Mass corrections at one-loop

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$$\int_0^1 du \int_0^1 dv \int dy \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\delta(x - uv y)}{k!(k-1)!} \left( \frac{x^2 M^2 b^2}{4} \right)^k \left( \frac{\bar{v}}{v} \right)^{k-1} \left( C_{gg}^{U/U}(u, b) f_g(y) + C_{gq}^{U/U}(u, b) f_1(y) \right)$$

# Mass corrections beyond one-loop

Under the hypothesis that  $e^{ub \cdot \partial_T(0)} \rightarrow e^{b \cdot \partial_T(0)} \prod_{l=1}^n u_l$

$$\Phi_i^{(n)}(x, b) = a_s^n \left( \prod_{l=1}^n \int_0^1 du_l \right) \int dy \delta \left( x - y \prod_{l=1}^n u_l \right) \sum_j C_{ij}^{(n)}(\mathbf{u}) \left( e^{b \cdot \partial_T(0)} \prod_{l=1}^n u_l \Phi_j(y, b) \right)$$

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# Outlook

Inclusion of higher-twist PDFs

Inclusion of T-odd effects

Extension to higher-twist TMDs

Extension to GTMDs