

MSTT factorization: Bridging Large-x and Small-x

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Main Advantage

One of SURGE Goals: Initial condition from Lattice QCD for small- x evolution

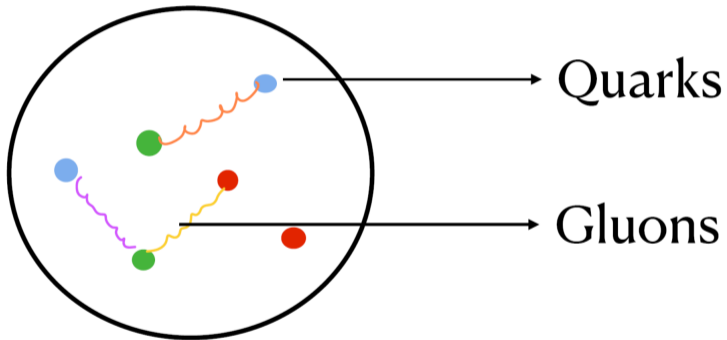
Problem

- **Objects of interest** cannot be directly computed on the lattice
- Compute **objects of interest** approximately
- Approximations **bad** at small- x

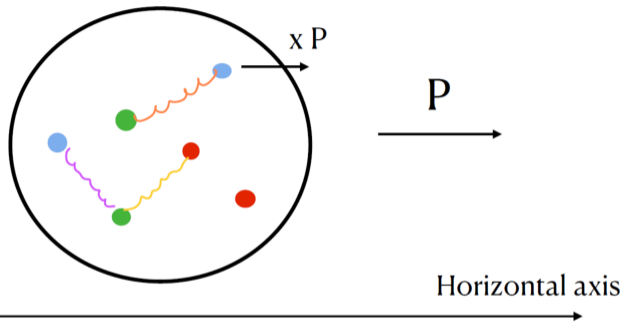
Solution

- **MSTT scheme** valid for all x
- Calculate **lattice results** using MSTT at **moderate** x
- **Evolve** to small- x

Structure of proton



One-dimensional structure of proton

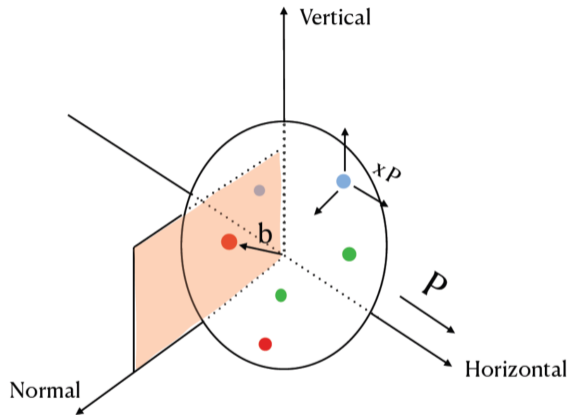


x is between 0 and 1

Parton Distribution Function (PDF)

$PDF(x)$

Three dimensional structure of proton



Transverse Momentum Dependent (TMD) PDF

$$\text{TMDPDF}(x, b)$$

What is factorization?

$$\text{Experimental Observables} = \text{Hard factor} \otimes \text{TMDPDF}(x, b, \Lambda)$$

x : Longitudinal momentum fraction

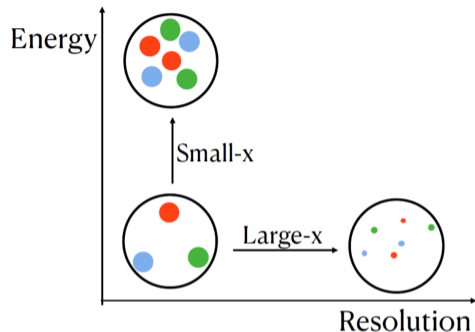
b : Transverse structure

Λ : Scheme dependent parameters

Evolution: Changing Λ

Schemes

- **Large- x factorization**
Get **Large- x evolution**
- **Small- x factorization**
Get **Small- x evolution**



How do you connect the two regimes/evolutions?

New scheme with validity for all x is needed: MSTT

MSTT factorization is based on the background field method

gluon TMDPDF(x, b) operator

Quantum corrections

TMDPDF(x, b, Λ) valid for all x

Small- x limit

Large- x limit

Small- x factorization/BFKL

Large- x factorization/CSS

Large- x (N.P.B, 250, 1985)

Small- x (P.L.B, 60, 1975)

MSTT (P.R.D 109, no.3, 034035 (2024))

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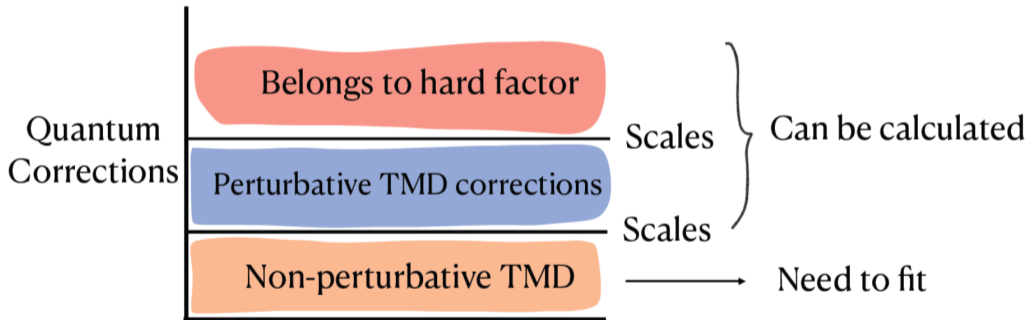
- TMDPDFs cannot be directly computed on the lattice
- Instead compute Quasi-TMDPDFs and get TMDPDFs (approximately)
- Approximations bad at small- x

Solution

- MSTT valid for all x
- Lattice results from moderate x and evolve to small- x

Methodology: Background field method

Main point: Separate Quantum corrections using Background field method



L. F. Abbott. The Background Field Method Beyond One Loop. Nucl. Phys. B, 185:189–203, 1981.

Full result

The full result contains parts of **Large-x** and parts of **Small-x**

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{ij}(x, b_{\perp}, \mu_{\text{UV}}^2, \zeta) &= f_{ij}(x, b_{\perp}, \mu_{\text{IR}}^2, \rho) - 4\alpha_s N_c \int d^2 p_{\perp} e^{ip_{\perp} b_{\perp}} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z(1-z)} \int d^2 k_{\perp} [\mathcal{R}_{ij;lm}^a(z, p_{\perp}, k_{\perp}) \\
 &+ \mathcal{R}_{ij;lm}^b(z, p_{\perp}, k_{\perp})] \int d^2 z_{\perp} e^{-i(p_{\perp} - k_{\perp})z_{\perp}} f_{lm}\left(\frac{x}{z}, z_{\perp}, \mu_{\text{IR}}^2, \rho\right) + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \left(-\frac{1}{2} (L_b^{\mu\text{UV}})^2 + L_b^{\mu\text{UV}} \ln \frac{\mu_{\text{UV}}^2}{\zeta^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right) \\
 &\times f_{ij}(x, b_{\perp}, \mu_{\text{IR}}^2, \rho) - \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} L_b^{\mu\text{IR}} \int_0^1 dz \left[\frac{1}{(1-z)_+} + \frac{1}{z} \right] f_{ij}\left(\frac{x}{z}, b_{\perp}, \mu_{\text{IR}}^2, \rho\right) - \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \int d^2 z_{\perp} \int d^2 p_{\perp} e^{ip_{\perp}(b-z)_{\perp}} \\
 &\times \left(\frac{1}{2} \ln^2 \frac{\mu_{\text{IR}}^2}{p_{\perp}^2} + \ln \frac{\mu_{\text{IR}}^2}{p_{\perp}^2} \ln \frac{\rho}{\zeta} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right) \frac{g_{il} p_j p_m + p_i p_l g_{mj}}{p_{\perp}^2} f_{lm}(x, z_{\perp}, \mu_{\text{IR}}^2, \rho) \\
 &+ \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \int d^2 z_{\perp} \int d^2 p_{\perp} e^{ip_{\perp}(b-z)_{\perp}} \left(\frac{\beta_0}{2N_c} \ln \frac{\mu_{\text{UV}}^2}{p_{\perp}^2} + \frac{67}{18} - \frac{5N_f}{9N_c} \right) f_{ij}(x, z_{\perp}, \mu_{\text{IR}}^2, \rho) + O(\alpha_s^2).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\zeta = \text{constant} \times x$$

Summary and Outlook

- MSTT factorization bridges large and small- x regimes; serves as a tool to connect Lattice QCD to small- x observables at Electron Ion Collider
- Our approach is based on the background field method which naturally allows us to separate and calculate the quantum corrections

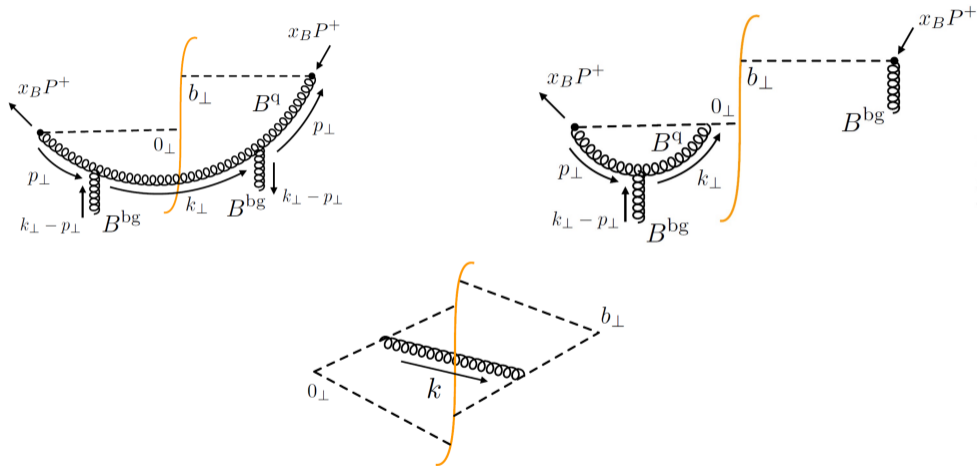
Outlook

- Extension to Lattice operators
- Extension to Quark TMDPDFs

*Swagato Mukherjee, "A unified description of DGLAP, CSS, & BFKL", DIS 2024, April 10th
Shaswat Tiwari, "MSTT factorization", QCD evolution workshop 2024, May 27th to May 31st*

Back-up slides

Representative diagrams



Methodology: Definitions

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

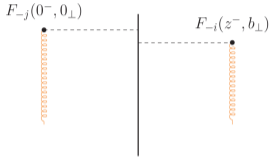


Figure 1: Beam function

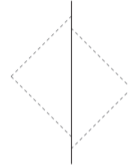


Figure 2: Soft function

$$\mathcal{S}(b_{\perp}) = \langle 0 | Tr [S_{\bar{n}}^{\dagger}(b_{\perp}) S_n(b_{\perp}) S_n^{\dagger}(0_{\perp}) S_{\bar{n}}(0_{\perp})] | 0 \rangle$$

With,

$$f = B \sqrt{S}$$

Divergences

We isolate and regulate the divergences using the following methods,

- Dimensional Regularization: $k_{\perp} \rightarrow \infty (\mu_{UV})$, $k_{\perp} \rightarrow 0 (\mu_{IR})$
- η Regularization : $k^- \rightarrow \infty (\nu_{UV})$, $k^- \rightarrow 0 (\rho_{IR})$: **New**

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

Different Limits

- Collinear limit: Take $p_\perp - k_\perp \rightarrow 0$

$$f_1(x, b_\perp, \mu_{\text{UV}}^2, \zeta) = f_1(x, 0_\perp, \mu_{\text{IR}}^2)$$

$$- \underbrace{\frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} L_b^{\mu_{\text{IR}}} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z} P_{gg}(z) f_1\left(\frac{x}{z}, 0_\perp, \mu_{\text{IR}}^2\right)}_{\text{DGLAP}} + \underbrace{\frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \left(-\frac{1}{2} (L_b^{\mu_{\text{UV}}})^2 + L_b^{\mu_{\text{UV}}} \ln \frac{\mu_{\text{UV}}^2}{\zeta^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right) f_1(x, 0_\perp, \mu_{\text{IR}}^2)}_{\text{CSS}} + \dots,$$

- Small-x limit: Take $x \rightarrow 0$,

$$f_1(x, p_\perp, \mu_{\text{UV}}^2, \zeta) \simeq \mathcal{H}_1(p_\perp, \rho) + \ln \frac{\rho}{\zeta} \int \bar{d}^2 k_\perp K_{\text{BFKL}}(p_\perp, k_\perp) \mathcal{H}_1(p_\perp - k_\perp, \rho)$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \int d^2 b_\perp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (L_b^{\mu_{\text{UV}}})^2 + L_b^{\mu_{\text{UV}}} \ln \frac{\mu_{\text{UV}}^2}{\zeta^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right) \int \bar{d}^2 k_\perp e^{ik_\perp b_\perp} \mathcal{H}_1(p_\perp - k_\perp, \rho)$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\beta_0}{2N_c} \ln \frac{\mu_{\text{UV}}^2}{p^2} + \frac{67}{18} - \frac{5N_f}{9N_c} \right) \mathcal{H}_1(p_\perp, \rho).$$