

THE THREE LOOP FOUR PARTON SCATTERING IN QCD

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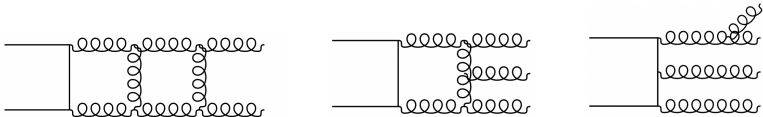
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- $\sigma_{\text{NNLO}} \sim$



- 2 loop master integrals $2 \rightarrow 2$ processes

[Anastasiou,Gehrmann,Oleari,Remiddi,Tausk '00]

- 2 loop amplitudes for all of the partonic channels $2 \rightarrow 2$ processes

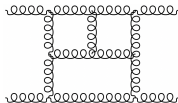
[Bern,Dixon,Kosower'20; Bern,Dixon,Freitas'03;
Anastasiou,Glover,Oleari,Yeomans'03, Ahmed,Henn,Mistlberger '19]

- IR Subtractions schemes for differential cross sections @ NNLO

[Local (Antennas,ColorfulNNLO,Local analytic,Geometric,
Nested subtractions,Stripper), Slicing (qT ,N-jettiness), ...]

- Differential cross sections for di-jet productions

[Currie,Gehrmann-De Ridder,Gehrmann,Huss,Mo,Pires '17,'19,'22;
Czakon,Hameren,Mitov,Poncelet '19]



- 3-loop reduced integrand in $N = 4$ SYM, $N = 8$ SUGRA...
 [Bern,Carrasco,Dixon,Herrmann,Johansson,Kosower,Litsey,Roiban,
 Stankowicz,Trnka '07,'08,'12]
- 3-loop amplitudes in $N = 4$ SYM, $N = 8$ SUGRA
 [Henn, Mistlberger '16 '19]
- Results for 3-loop master integrals for massless $2 \rightarrow 2$ processes
 [Henn, Mistlberger, Smirnov, Wasser '20]
- Simplest three loop QCD amplitude : $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
 [Caola,Manteuffel,Tancredi '20]

WHAT WILL WE LEARN @ N^3LO

- Rich IR singularity structure \rightarrow presence of four particle correlation



possibility of breaking the usual factorisation structure for di-jet @ N^3LO

[Catani,de Florian,Rodrigo '12; Forshaw,Seymour,Siodmok '12; Becher,Neubert,Shao '21]

- Virtual ingredients to di-jet production @ N^3LO
- Much more control to perform very complex Integral By Parts (IBP) reductions



- Unambiguous picture for reggeisation @ NNLL

\Rightarrow High energy *factorisation* structure \rightarrow Extraction of 3 loop gluon Regge Trajectory

FOUR PARTON SCATTERING AT THREE LOOPS

We consider the *analytic* computations of all channels of massless four parton scattering in full QCD

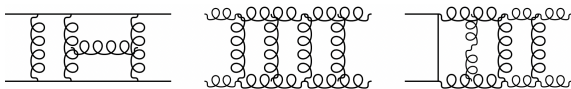
- $q(p_1) + q(p_2) \rightarrow q(p_3) + q(p_4)$
- $g(p_1) + g(p_2) \rightarrow g(p_3) + g(p_4)$
- $q(p_1) + \bar{q}(p_2) \rightarrow g(p_3) + g(p_4)$

Caola, Chakraborty, Gambuti,
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$$\Rightarrow p_i^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s = (p_1 + p_2)^2, \quad t = (p_1 + p_3)^2, \quad u = (p_2 + p_3)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -t/s$$

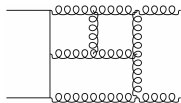
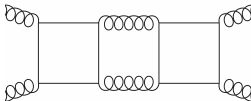
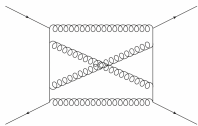
$$\rightarrow s > 0, \quad t < 0, \quad u < 0, \quad 0 < x < 1$$

BOTTLENECK FOR QCD COMPUTATIONS

- Large number of Feyn. diagrams @ three loop
 - $\Rightarrow gg \rightarrow gg \sim 50 \text{ k}$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow gg \sim 15 \text{ k}$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}' \sim 4 \text{ k}$
- Staggering number of Feyn. integrals to perform IBP reductions
 - $\Rightarrow gg \rightarrow gg \sim 10^7$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow gg \sim 10^7$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}' \sim 10^6$
- Big intermediate file sizes
 - $\Rightarrow gg \rightarrow gg \sim 250 \text{ GB}$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow gg \sim 40 \text{ GB}$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}' \sim 4 \text{ GB}$
- Huge reductions in the sizes of the final results of the Helicity amplitudes
 - $\Rightarrow \sim 1 \text{ MB}$ for each partonic channels

COLOR BASIS @ PARTONIC CHANNELS

$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_i^n \mathcal{A}^i \mathcal{C}_i \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{Color Basis}$$



$$\mathcal{C}_1 = \delta_{i_1 i_4} \delta_{i_2 i_3}, \quad \mathcal{C}_2 = \delta_{i_1 i_2} \delta_{i_3 i_4}$$

$$\mathcal{C}_1 = \text{Tr}[T^{a_1} T^{a_2} T^{a_3} T^{a_4}] + \text{Tr}[T^{a_1} T^{a_4} T^{a_3} T^{a_2}],$$

$$\mathcal{C}_2 = \text{Tr}[T^{a_1} T^{a_2} T^{a_4} T^{a_3}] + \text{Tr}[T^{a_1} T^{a_3} T^{a_4} T^{a_2}],$$

$$\mathcal{C}_3 = \text{Tr}[T^{a_1} T^{a_3} T^{a_2} T^{a_4}] + \text{Tr}[T^{a_1} T^{a_4} T^{a_2} T^{a_3}],$$

$$\mathcal{C}_4 = \text{Tr}[T^{a_1} T^{a_2}] \text{Tr}[T^{a_3} T^{a_4}],$$

$$\mathcal{C}_5 = \text{Tr}[T^{a_1} T^{a_3}] \text{Tr}[T^{a_2} T^{a_4}],$$

$$\mathcal{C}_6 = \text{Tr}[T^{a_1} T^{a_4}] \text{Tr}[T^{a_2} T^{a_3}].$$

$$\mathcal{C}_1 = (T^{a_3} T^{a_4})_{i_2 i_1}, \quad \mathcal{C}_2 = (T^{a_4} T^{a_3})_{i_2 i_1}, \quad \mathcal{C}_3 = \delta^{a_3 a_4} \delta_{i_1 i_2}$$

- Identifying the independent *tensor* structures through the Lorentz and gauge invariance $\implies \mathcal{A} = \sum_{i=1}^{N(4)} \bar{\mathcal{F}}_i \bar{T}_i \rightarrow \mathbf{d} = 4$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\mathbf{d} = 4 - 2\epsilon$$

- Extract Form factors by defining the suitable *projectors* acting onto Feynman diagrams

$$\implies \bar{\mathcal{F}}_i = \sum_{pol} P_i \cdot \mathcal{A} \quad P_i = \sum_{i=1}^{N(4)} (\bar{T}^\dagger \bar{T})_{ik}^{-1} \bar{T}_k^\dagger$$

- Choosing linearly independent projectors (P_i) @ $\mathbf{d} \rightarrow 4$

\implies Big reduction @ projectors in 'tHV scheme compare to CDR!

- Free of spurious poles in $\mathbf{d} \rightarrow 4$!

⇒ Projectors for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}'$

$$T_1 = \bar{u}(p_2) \gamma_\alpha u(p_1) \times \bar{u}(p_4) \gamma^\alpha u(p_3) , \quad T_2 = \bar{u}(p_2) \not{p}_3 u(p_1) \times \bar{u}(p_4) \not{p}_2 u(p_3)$$

⇒ Projectors for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow gg$

$$\mathcal{T}_1 = \bar{u}(p_2) \not{p}_3 u(p_1) \epsilon_4 \cdot p_2$$

$$\mathcal{T}_2 = \bar{u}(p_2) \not{p}_4 u(p_1) \epsilon_3 \cdot p_1$$

$$\mathcal{T}_3 = \bar{u}(p_2) \not{p}_3 u(p_1) \epsilon_3 \cdot p_1 \epsilon_4 \cdot p_2$$

$$\mathcal{T}_4 = \bar{u}(p_2) \not{p}_3 u(p_1) \epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4$$

⇒ Projectors for $gg \rightarrow gg$

$$T_1 = \epsilon_1 \cdot p_3 \epsilon_2 \cdot p_1 \epsilon_3 \cdot p_1 \epsilon_4 \cdot p_2 ,$$

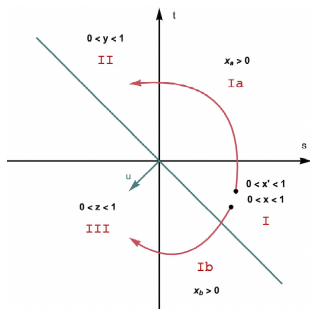
$$T_2 = \epsilon_1 \cdot p_3 \epsilon_2 \cdot p_1 \epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4 , \quad T_3 = \epsilon_1 \cdot p_3 \epsilon_3 \cdot p_1 \epsilon_2 \cdot \epsilon_4 ,$$

$$T_4 = \epsilon_1 \cdot p_3 \epsilon_4 \cdot p_2 \epsilon_2 \cdot \epsilon_3 , \quad T_5 = \epsilon_2 \cdot p_1 \epsilon_3 \cdot p_1 \epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_4 ,$$

$$T_6 = \epsilon_2 \cdot p_1 \epsilon_4 \cdot p_2 \epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_3 , \quad T_7 = \epsilon_3 \cdot p_1 \epsilon_4 \cdot p_2 \epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2 ,$$

$$T_8 = \epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2 \epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4 + \epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_4 \epsilon_2 \cdot \epsilon_3 + \epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_3 \epsilon_2 \cdot \epsilon_4 .$$

- $s + t + u = 0 \rightarrow$ No Euclidean region for physical phase space



[Smirnov '99; Smirnov, Veretin '00; Tausk '00, Anastasiou, Gehrmann, Oleari, Remiddi '00]

- Branch cut at $x \rightarrow 0, 1 \rightarrow$ non trivial analytic continuation for *Logs*

\Rightarrow Obtaining all of the relevant crossed channel of the partonic amplitude : $qq' \rightarrow q'q$ from $q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}'$ and $qg \rightarrow qg$ from $q\bar{q} \rightarrow g\bar{g}$

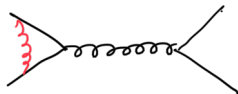
INFRARED SINGULARITY STRUCTURE

Factorisation of IR singularities aft. UV subtraction

$$\mathcal{A}^{fin} = \mathcal{Z}_{IR}^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{ren}$$

Iterative solution of \mathcal{Z}

$$\mathcal{Z} = \mathbb{P} \exp \left[\int_{\mu}^{\infty} \frac{d\mu'}{\mu'} \Gamma(\{p\}, \mu') \right]$$



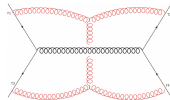
Different color correlation pattern for multiparton scattering :

→ Dipole and Quadrupole

$$\Gamma = \Gamma_{\text{dipole}} + \Delta_{\text{quad}}^{\text{loops} \geq 3} + \dots$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{dipole}} = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4} T_i^a T_j^a \gamma^{\text{cusp}} \log \left(\frac{\mu^2}{-s_{ij}} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^4 \gamma_i^{\text{col}}$$

$$\Delta_4^{(3)} \rightarrow$$



four external partons correlated || three external partons correlated



- Quadrupole correlations pattern :

$$\Delta_4^{(3)} = 128 f_{abefcde} [\mathbf{T}_1^a \mathbf{T}_2^c \mathbf{T}_3^b \mathbf{T}_4^d D_1(x) - \mathbf{T}_4^a \mathbf{T}_1^b \mathbf{T}_2^c \mathbf{T}_3^d D_2(x)] \\ - 16 f_{abefcde} (\zeta_5 + 2\zeta_2\zeta_3) \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j < k \leq 4 \\ j, k \neq i}} \{\mathbf{T}_i^a \mathbf{T}_i^d\} \mathbf{T}_j^b \mathbf{T}_k^c$$

[Almelid, Duhr, Gardi '16]

- Contributes uniformly to the Transcendental weight

- Depends only on gluons interactions
 → Does not depend explicitly on matter content

⇒ Universal for the gauge theories having gluon

→ confirmed for N=4 [Henn, Mistlberger '16]

- μ independent

- Depends only on the *logs* of conformal cross-ratio

$$\frac{(-s_{ij}) (-s_{kl})}{(-s_{ik}) (-s_{jl})}$$

- Absent for QED, due to abelian nature of photon

NEW RESULTS @ THREE LOOPS

- The full *analytic* computations of all of the partonic channel in QCD :

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}', \quad q\bar{q} \rightarrow q\bar{q} \quad (+ \text{relevant crossings})$$

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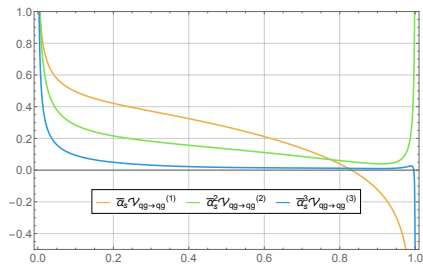
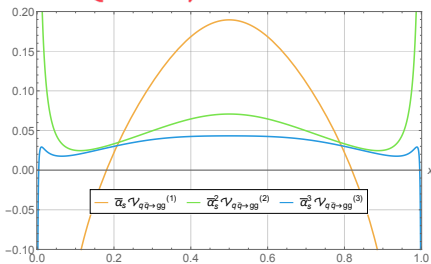
$$gg \rightarrow g\gamma \text{ and } q\bar{q} \rightarrow g\gamma \quad (+ \text{relevant crossings})$$

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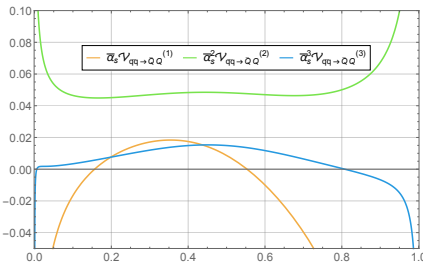
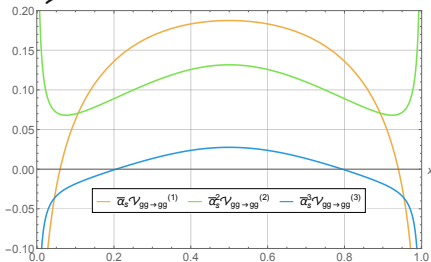
- Our calculations confirm the Wilson line predicted [Almelid,Duhr,Gardi '16] quadrupole IR structure in QCD

NUMERICAL RESULTS @ THREE LOOPS

$$\frac{\langle A|A \rangle}{\langle A_0|A_0 \rangle} \sim \mathcal{V}^{(0)} + \alpha_s \mathcal{V}^{(1)} + \alpha_s^2 \mathcal{V}^{(2)} + \alpha_s^3 \mathcal{V}^{(3)} + \dots$$

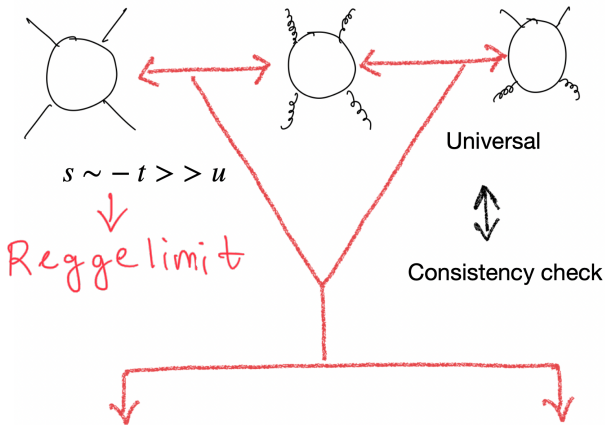


$\chi \rightarrow -t/s$



NEW RESULTS @ HIGH ENERGY LIMIT

$$\mathcal{M}_{ij \rightarrow ij} = Z_i Z_j e^{LT_i^2 \tau_g} \sum_{n=0}^3 a_s^n \sum_{k=0}^n L^k \mathcal{O}_k^{(n)} \mathcal{M}_{ij \rightarrow ij}^{(0)}$$



$\mathcal{O}_k \rightarrow C_{q/g}$ 2-loop ϵ^2

Impact Factor

$\tau_g \rightarrow$ 3-loop gluon Regge Trajectory

THREE LOOP GLUON REGGE TRAJECTORY

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_g^3 = & K_3 + N_c^2 \left(16\zeta_5 + \frac{40\zeta_2\zeta_3}{3} - \frac{77\zeta_4}{3} - \frac{6664\zeta_3}{27} - \frac{3196\zeta_2}{81} + \frac{297029}{1458} \right) \\ & + \frac{n_f}{N_c} \left(-4\zeta_4 - \frac{76\zeta_3}{9} + \frac{1711}{108} \right) + N_c n_f \left(\frac{412\zeta_2}{81} + \frac{2\zeta_4}{3} + \frac{632\zeta_3}{9} - \frac{171449}{2916} \right) \\ & + n_f^2 \left(\frac{928}{729} - \frac{128\zeta_3}{27} \right)\end{aligned}$$

[Caola,Chakraborty,Gambuti,Manteuffel,Tancredi] [Falcioni,Gardi, Maher,Milloy,Vernazza]

$\Rightarrow K_3$ represents the pole part of trajectory \rightarrow expressed in cusp anomalous dimensions

- Only leading N_c contributes at $n_f = 0$ to the finite part

[Del Duca,Marzucca,Verbeek]

\Rightarrow Maximally non-Abelian

\Rightarrow The quark regge $\rightarrow \frac{C_F}{C_A}$ gluon regge trajectory

upto two loop

$\xrightarrow{???}$ Eikonal object interpreted though Wilson line correlator

- The first analytic computations of all 3-loop four-parton amplitudes in full QCD
- Verification of the Wilson line predicted Soft anomalous dimensions structure for three-loop multi-parton QCD amplitudes
- Factorisation behavior of four parton scattering at high energy
- Extraction of the 3-loop gluon Regge Trajectory in full QCD