GPDs in symmetric and asymmetric frames

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Generalised PDFs (GPDs)



A virtual photon is exchanged, with a real photon measured in the final state

Momentum transfer: $\Delta \equiv P'' - P'$, $t \equiv \Delta^2$, Fraction of the momentum transfer: $\xi \equiv -\frac{P''^+ - P'^+}{P''^+ + P'^+} = -\frac{2\Delta^+}{P^+}$, ξ is called skewness

GPDs are multidimensional objects, depending on x, t, ξ



$$F^{[\Gamma]}(x,\Delta;\lambda,\lambda') = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dz^{-}}{2\pi} e^{ik.z} \left\langle p';\lambda' \left| \bar{\psi} \left(-\frac{z}{2} \right) \Gamma \mathcal{W} \left(-\frac{z}{2},\frac{z}{2} \right) \psi \left(\frac{z}{2} \right) \left| p;\lambda \right\rangle \right|_{z^{+}=0, z_{\perp}=0}$$

$$F^{[\gamma^+]}(x,\xi,t) = \bar{u}(p',\lambda') \left[\gamma^+ H(x,\xi,t) + \frac{i\sigma^{+\mu}\Delta_{\mu}}{2m} E(x,\xi,t) \right] u(p,\lambda)$$

 $f_1^q(x) = H^q(x, 0, 0)$ PDFs (deep inelastic and semi-inclusive scattering) $F_1^q(t) = \int_{-1}^{+1} dx H^q(x, t, \xi)$ I Light-cone correlation (elastic scattering) (ngular momentum) I t can be computed in the quasi-PDF approach

GPDs unify momentum, spin, and spatial structure of hadrons





Problem with the current approach: not efficient





• Separate calculation for each momentum transfer: P

$$sink = \left(-\frac{\Delta_x}{2}, -\frac{\Delta_y}{2}, P_3\right)$$

• Much more efficient if $P^{sink} = (0,0,P_3)$

Symmetric and asymmetric frames

S. Bhattacharya et al., arXiv: 2209.05373



$$\begin{pmatrix} E_{i,s} \\ p_{i,s}^1 \\ p_{i,s}^2 \\ p_{i,s}^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & -\gamma\beta & 0 & 0 \\ -\gamma\beta & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E_{i,a} \\ -\Delta_a^1 \\ 0 \\ p^3 \end{pmatrix}$$
 Transverse boost

 $\left\langle \bar{\psi}\gamma^{0}\psi\right\rangle^{s}=\gamma\left\langle \bar{\psi}\gamma^{0}\psi\right\rangle^{a}-\gamma\beta\left\langle \bar{\psi}\gamma^{1}\psi\right\rangle^{a}$

Historical definitions of quasi-GPD

$$F^{0}(z, P, \Delta) = \left\langle p'; \lambda' \left| \bar{\psi} \left(-\frac{z^{3}}{2} \right) \gamma^{0} \mathcal{W} \left(-\frac{z^{3}}{2}, \frac{z^{3}}{2} \right) \psi \left(\frac{z^{3}}{2} \right) \right| p; \lambda \right\rangle$$



New parametrization of position-space matrix elements

$$F^{\mu}(z,P,\Delta) = \bar{u}\left(p_{f},\lambda'\right) \left[\frac{P^{\mu}}{m}A_{1} + mz^{\mu}A_{2} + \frac{\Delta^{\mu}}{m}A_{3} + im\sigma^{\mu\nu}z_{\nu}A_{4} + \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu}\Delta_{\nu}}{m}A_{5} + \frac{P^{\mu}i\sigma^{\mu\nu}z_{\mu}\Delta_{\nu}}{m}A_{6} + mz^{\mu}i\sigma^{\mu\nu}z_{\mu}\Delta_{\nu}A_{7} + \frac{\Delta^{\mu}i\sigma^{\mu\nu}z_{\mu}\Delta_{\nu}}{m}A_{8}\right]u(p_{i},\lambda)$$

- General structure of matrix elements based on constraints from Parity
- 8 linearly independent Dirac structures
- 8 Lorentz invariant amplitudes (Form Factors): $A_i = A_i(z \cdot P, z \cdot \Delta, t, z^2)$

Light cone case

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$$F^+(z, P, \Delta) = \overline{u}^{s/a} \left(p_f^{s/a}, \lambda' \right) \left[\gamma^+ H(z, P^{s/a}, \Delta^{s/a}) + \frac{i\sigma^{+\nu}\Delta_{\nu}}{m} E(z, P^{s/a}, \Delta^{s/a}) \right] u^{s/a} (p_i^{s/a}, \lambda)$$

 $H(z, P^{s/a}, \Delta^{s/a}) = A_1 + \frac{\Delta^{+,s/a}}{P^{+,s/a}} A_3$
 $H(z \cdot P_{s/a}, z \cdot \Delta_{s/a}, t_{s/a}, z^2) = A_1 + \frac{z \cdot \Delta^{s/a}}{z \cdot P^{s/a}} A_3$ Lorentz invariant

Quasi case:



Extraction of the A_i in different frames



Computing \mathcal{H}_0 and \mathcal{E}_0 in the two frames, with $\xi = 0$



The Light-cone Lorentz Invariant definitions:

$$H(z \cdot P_{s/a}, z \cdot \Delta_{s/a}, t_{s/a}, z^2) = A_1 + \frac{z \cdot \Delta_{s/a}}{z \cdot P_{s/a}} A_3 \rightarrow A_1$$

$$\xi = 0 \qquad \qquad A_i \equiv A_i(z^2 = 0)$$

$$E(z \cdot P_{s/a}, z \cdot \Delta_{s/a}, t_{s/a}, z^2) = -A_1 - \frac{z \cdot \Delta_{s/a}}{z \cdot P_{s/a}} A_3 + 2A_5 + 2z \cdot P_{s/a} A_6 + 2z \cdot \Delta_{s/a} A_8 \rightarrow -A_1 + 2A_5 + 2z \cdot P_{s/a} A_6$$

$$\xi = 0$$

Lorentz Invariant definitions for quasi $(z^2 \neq 0)$:

$$\mathcal{H}\left(z \cdot P_{s/a}, z \cdot \Delta_{s/a}, t_{s/a}, z^{2}\right) = A_{1} + \frac{z \cdot \Delta_{s/a}}{z \cdot P_{s/a}} A_{3} \to A_{1}$$

Equivalent to adding extra structures: $\mathcal{H}_0 \to c_0 \langle \bar{\psi} \gamma^0 \psi \rangle$ $\mathcal{H} \to c_0 \langle \bar{\psi} \gamma^0 \psi \rangle + c_1 \langle \bar{\psi} \gamma^1 \psi \rangle + c_2 \langle \bar{\psi} \gamma^2 \psi \rangle$

 $\mathcal{E}(z \cdot P_{s/a}, z \cdot \Delta_{s/a}, t_{s/a}, z^2) = -A_1 - \frac{z \cdot \Delta_{s/a}}{z \cdot P_{s/a}} A_3 + 2A_5 + 2z \cdot P_{s/a} A_6 + 2z \cdot \Delta_{s/a} A_8 \rightarrow -A_1 + 2A_5 + 2z \cdot P_{s/a} A_6$

Using the LI definitions



Matching to the LC GPDs

We use the $RI \rightarrow \overline{MS}$ matching as computed in

Y.-S. Liu et al., Phys. Rev D 100, 034006 (2019), arXiv:1902.00307



Summary

- □ Huge developments on first principles GPDs calculations
- □ Perform calculations in the asymmetric frame is more efficient
- □ Can we calculate quasi-GPDs in the symmetric frame through the asymmetric frame?
- \Box Historic definitions of quasi \mathcal{H}_0 and \mathcal{E}_0 are not manifestly Lorentz invariant
- □ Lorentz invariant definition of quasi-GPDs may allow for faster convergence to LC GPDs

