

Next-to-next-to-leading-power kinematic corrections in DVCS

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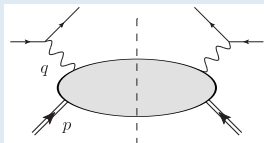
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Planar vs. non-planar kinematics

“Natural” separation of longitudinal and transverse d.o.f. in DIS



$$p = (p_0, \vec{0}_\perp, p_z)$$

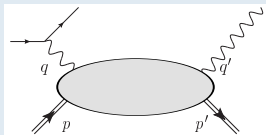
$$q = (q_0, \vec{0}_\perp, q_z)$$

\Rightarrow parton fraction = Bjorken x_B



Planar vs. non-planar kinematics (2)

Many possible choices in DVCS



“DIS frame”

$$p = (p_0, \vec{0}_\perp, p_z)$$

$$q = (q_0, \vec{0}_\perp, q_z)$$

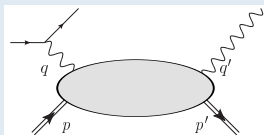
⇒ asymmetry parameter $\xi \simeq x_B / (2 - x_B)$

⇒ momentum transfer $\Delta = p' - p$ (almost) transverse



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“Photon frame”

$$q' = (q'_0, \vec{0}_\perp, q'_z)$$

$$q = (q_0, \vec{0}_\perp, q_z)$$

⇒ skewedness parameter $\xi = \frac{x_B(1+t/Q^2)}{2-x_B(1-t/Q^2)}$

⇒ momentum transfer $\Delta = p' - p$ longitudinal



The message:

- **noncomplanarity makes separation of collinear directions ambiguous**
 - hence “leading twist approximation” ambiguous
 - related to violation of translation invariance and EM Ward identities
- **have to be repaired by adding power corrections of special type, “kinematic” PC**

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{-t}}{Q}\right)^k$$

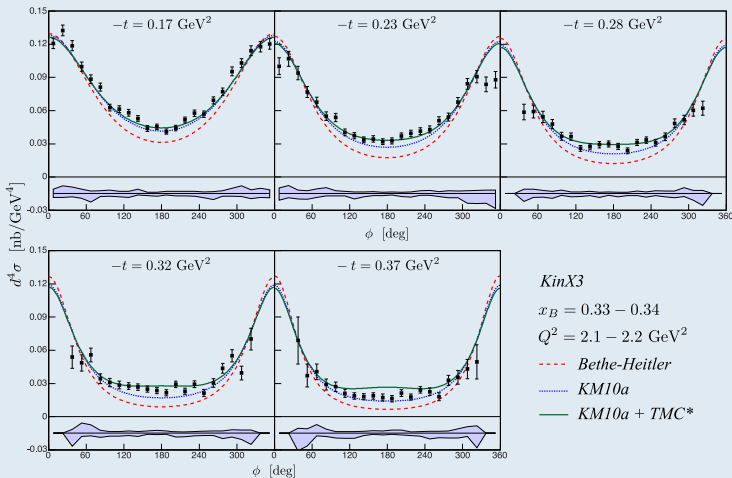
$$\left(\frac{M}{Q}\right)^k$$

- **Potentially $\sqrt{-t} \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$, corrections can be large**



Large effects for the DVCS cross section in certain kinematics

M. Defurne *et al.* [Hall A Collaboration] arXiv:1504.05453



- TMC* curves very close to BMP LT

GPD model: KM10a (Kumericki, Mueller, Nucl. Phys. B **841** (2010) 1)



Operator Product Expansion

schematically

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{T}\{j(x)j(0)\} = & \sum_N \left\{ A_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N} \underbrace{\mathcal{O}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N}^N}_{\text{twist-2 operators}} + B_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N} \underbrace{\partial^\mu \mathcal{O}_{\mu, \mu_1 \dots \mu_N}^N}_{\text{descendants of twist 2}} \right. \\
 & \left. + C_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N} \underbrace{\partial^2 \mathcal{O}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N}^N}_{\text{descendants}} + D_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N} \underbrace{\partial^\mu \partial^\nu \mathcal{O}_{\mu, \nu, \mu_1 \dots \mu_N}^N}_{\text{descendants}} + \dots \right\} \\
 & + \text{quark-gluon operators}
 \end{aligned}$$

“kinematic” corrections that repair the frame dependence and Ward identities come from

- (1) corrections m/Q and $\sqrt{-t}/Q$ to the ME of twist-two operators (Nachtmann)
- (2) higher-twist operators that are obtained from twist-two by adding total derivatives



Operator Product Expansion (2)

Problem: matrix elements of some descendant operators over free quarks vanish

Ferrara, Grillo, Parisi, Gatto, '71-'73

Example

$$\partial^\mu O_{\mu\nu} = 2i\bar{q} g F_{\nu\mu} \gamma^\mu q,$$

$$O_{\mu\nu} = (1/2)[\bar{q}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu q + (\mu \leftrightarrow \nu)]$$

— Usual procedure to calculate the coefficient functions does not work, use qFq matrix elements



— Is it possible to separate “kinematic” and “genuine” (quark-gluon) contributions?



Guidung principle:

VB, A.Manashov, PRL 107 (2011) 202001

- “kinematic” approximation amounts to the assumption that genuine twist-four matrix elements are zero
- for consistency, they must remain zero at all scales
- they must not reappear at higher scales due to mixing with “kinematic” operators

- **“Kinematic” and “genuine” HT contributions must have autonomous scale-dependence**

[~ The “kinematic” approximation corresponds to taking into account *all* operators with the same anomalous dimensions as the leading twist operators]



Let $G_{N,k}$ be your favourite set of twist-four operators

$$T\{j(x)j(0)\}^{\text{tw}-4} = \sum_{N,k} c_{N,k}(x) G_{N,k}$$

Let $\mathcal{G}_{N,k}$ be the set of *multiplicatively renormalizable* twist-four operators

$$\mathcal{G}_{N,k} = \sum_{k'} \psi_{k,k'}^{(N)} G_{N,k'} \qquad \mathcal{G}_{N,k=0} \stackrel{!}{=} (\partial\mathcal{O})_N$$

If this relation can be inverted

$$G_{N,k} = \phi_{k,0}^{(N)} (\partial\mathcal{O})_N + \sum_{k' \neq 0} \phi_{k,k'}^{(N)} \mathcal{G}_{N,k'}$$

then

$$T\{j(x)j(0)\}^{\text{tw}-4} = \sum_{N,k} c_{N,k}(x) \phi_{k,0}^{(N)} (\partial\mathcal{O})_N + \dots$$

the ellipses stand for the contributions of "genuine" twist-four operators

The problem is that finding $\phi_{k,0}^{(N)}$ requires the knowledge of the full matrix $\psi_{k,k'}^{(N)}$, alias explicit solution of the twist-four RG equations.



Solution:

V.B., A. Manashov , JHEP 01 (2012) 085

Bukhvostov, Frolov, Lipatov, Kuraev, NPB 258 (1985) 601

- Four-particle twist-4 operators have autonomous scale-dependence \rightarrow irrelevant

V.B., A. Manashov, J. Rohrwild NPB 807 (2009) 89; NPB 826 (2010) 235

- RG equations for three-particle (non-quasiparmonic) operators are hermitian w.r.t. a certain scalar product

Hence different solutions are mutually orthogonal w.r.t. a certain weight function:

$$\sum_k \mu_k^{(N)} \psi_{l,k}^{(N)} \psi_{m,k}^{(N)} \sim \delta_{l,m}$$

so that

$$\phi_{k,0}^{(N)} = \psi_{0,k}^{(N)} \|\psi_{0,k}^{(N)}\|^{-2}, \quad \|\psi_{0,k}^{(N)}\|^2 = \sum_k \mu_k^{(N)} (\psi_{0,k}^{(N)})^2$$

and finally

V.B., A. Manashov , JHEP 01 (2012) 085

$$T\{j(x)j(0)\}^{\text{tw}-4} = \sum_N \left(\sum_k \frac{c_{N,k}(x) \psi_{0,k}^{(N)}}{\|\psi_{0,k}^{(N)}\|^2} \right) (\partial\mathcal{O})_N + \text{dynamical higher twist}$$



DVCS at twist-four: t/Q^2 and m^2/Q^2

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mu\nu} = -g_{\mu\nu}^{\perp} \mathcal{A}^{(0)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{-q^2}} \left(q_{\mu} - q'_{\mu} \frac{q^2}{(qq')} \right) g_{\nu\rho}^{\perp} P^{\rho} \mathcal{A}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} \left(g_{\mu\rho}^{\perp} g_{\nu\sigma}^{\perp} - \epsilon_{\mu\rho}^{\perp} \epsilon_{\nu\sigma}^{\perp} \right) P^{\rho} P^{\sigma} \mathcal{A}^{(2)} + q'_{\nu} \mathcal{A}_{\mu}^{(3)}$$

$$g_{\mu\nu}^{\perp} = g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{q_{\mu} q'_{\nu} + q'_{\mu} q_{\nu}}{(qq')} + q'_{\mu} q'_{\nu} \frac{q^2}{(qq')^2} \quad \epsilon_{\mu\nu}^{\perp} = \frac{1}{(qq')} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} q^{\alpha} q'^{\beta}$$

known to

$$\mathcal{A}^{(0)} \sim 1 + \frac{1}{Q^2}$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{(1)} \sim \frac{1}{Q}$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{(2)} \sim \frac{1}{Q^2}$$

- Physical observables including all helicity amplitudes:

A.V.Belitsky, D.Müller and Y.Ji, NPB 878, 214 (2014)



DVCS at twist-four: t/Q^2 and m^2/Q^2 (2)

- **Results:**

- translation and gauge invariance restored
- factorization valid at twist 4 (IR divergences cancel)
- correct threshold behavior $t \rightarrow t_{\min}$, $\xi \rightarrow 1$
- target mass corrections absorbed in the dependence on t_{\min}

$$\frac{t + t_{\min}}{Q}, \quad t_{\min} = -\frac{\xi^2 m^2}{1 - \xi^2}$$

Compare DIS, Nachtmann variable

$$\xi_N = \frac{2x_B}{1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{4x_B^2 m^2}{Q^2}}} = x_B \left(1 - \frac{x_B^2 m^2}{Q^2} + \dots \right)$$

- On a nucleus $m \mapsto Am$, $x_B \mapsto x_B/A$, $\xi \mapsto \xi/A$ target mass corrections are the same
 → factorization not in danger



New project

All orders in $(\sqrt{-t}/Q)^k$, $(m/Q)^k$?

apart from theoretical completeness

- Factor-two effects in some kinematic regions, need resummation to all twists
- Problems with some newer data ?
- Mass corrections in coherent DVCS on ^4He ?



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&\equiv \sum_N C_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N}(x, \partial) \mathcal{O}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N}^N + \text{quark-gluon operators}
\end{aligned}$$

S. Ferrara, A. F. Grillo and R. Gatto, 1971-1973: “Conformally covariant OPE”

In conformal field theories, the CFs of descendants are related to the CFs of twist-2 operators by symmetry and do not need to be calculated directly

$$A_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N} \xrightarrow{O(4,2)} C_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N}(x, \partial)$$



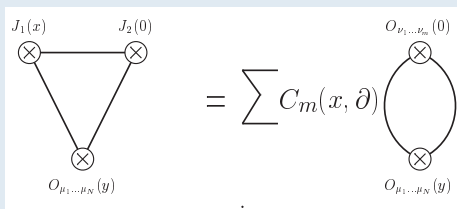
Conformal triangles

A.M. Polyakov, 1970:

$$\langle O_1(x_1) O_2(x_2) \rangle = \frac{\text{const}}{|x_1 - x_2|^{2\Delta_1}} \delta_{\Delta_1 \Delta_2}$$

$$\langle O_1(x_1) O_2(x_2) O_3(x_3) \rangle = \frac{\text{const}}{|x_1 - x_2|^{\Delta_1 + \Delta_2 - \Delta_3} |x_1 - x_3|^{\Delta_1 + \Delta_3 - \Delta_2} |x_2 - x_3|^{\Delta_3 + \Delta_2 - \Delta_1}}$$

- $\leftarrow \Delta_k$ is a scaling dimension (canonical + anomalous)



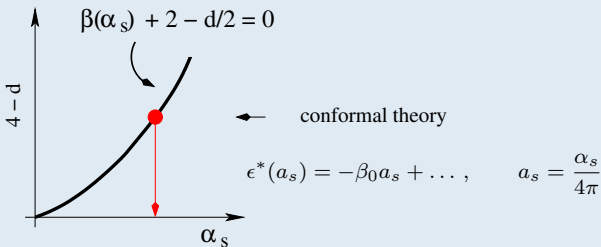
- \leftarrow exact to all orders of perturbation theory and beyond

[Vector currents: two independent structures consistent with CS and current conservation]



QCD?

QCD is not a conformal theory, but



$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{QCD}} = \mathcal{A}_{\text{QCD}}^{\text{conf}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\beta(\alpha_s)}{\alpha_s}\right)$$

“Conformal QCD”: QCD in $d - 2\epsilon$ at Wilson-Fischer critical point $\beta(\alpha_s) = 0$

V.B., A. Manashov, Eur.Phys.J.C 73 (2013) 2544



Status:

- ✓ Resummation of descendant operators in conformal QCD, all powers, all orders
V.B., Yao Ji, A. Manashov, JHEP 03 (2021) 051
- ✓ Short distance expansion \rightarrow nonlocal (light-ray) OPE
(in preparation)
- ✓ DVCS amplitudes for a scalar target; Cancellation of IR divergences
(in preparation)

not yet done

- Nucleon target
- Observables



Local OPE: leading twist and descendants

$$\bar{u}=1-u, \quad x_{12}=x_1-x_2, \quad x_{21}^u=\bar{u}x_2+ux_1$$

V.B., Yao Ji, A. Manashov, JHEP 03 (2021) 051

$$\begin{aligned} T\{j^\mu(x_1)j^\nu(x_2)\} = & \sum_{N>0, \text{even}} r_N \int_0^1 du (u\bar{u})^N \left\{ \frac{1}{x_{12}^4} \left[(N+1)g_{\mu\nu} \left(1 - \frac{1}{4} \frac{u\bar{u}}{N+1} x_{12}^2 \partial^2\right) \right. \right. \\ & + \frac{1}{2N} x_{12}^2 \left(\partial_1^\mu \partial_2^\nu - \partial_1^\nu \partial_2^\mu \right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{4} \frac{u\bar{u}}{N} x_{12}^2 \partial^2\right) \left(\frac{\bar{u}}{u} x_{21}^\mu \partial_1^\nu + \frac{u}{\bar{u}} x_{12}^\nu \partial_2^\mu \right) \\ & - \frac{1}{4} \frac{u\bar{u}}{N(N+1)} x_{12}^2 \partial^2 \left(x_{21}^\nu \partial_1^\mu + x_{12}^\mu \partial_2^\nu \right) - \frac{x_{12}^\mu x_{12}^\nu}{N+1} u\bar{u} \partial^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{4} \frac{u\bar{u}}{N+2} x_{12}^2 \partial^2\right) \left. \right] \mathcal{O}_N^{(0)}(x_{21}^u) \\ & + \frac{1}{x_{12}^2} \left[-\frac{1}{4} N(\bar{u}-u) g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\bar{u}-u}{4(N+1)} \left(x_{21}^\nu \partial_1^\mu + x_{12}^\mu \partial_2^\nu \right) \right. \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \left(\bar{u} x_{21}^\mu \partial_1^\nu - u x_{12}^\nu \partial_2^\mu \right) + \frac{N}{2(N+2)(N-1)} \left(x_{21}^\nu \partial_1^\mu - x_{12}^\mu \partial_2^\nu \right) \\ & + \frac{1}{4} \frac{N(N^2+N+2)}{(N+1)(N+2)(N-1)} \left(\frac{u}{\bar{u}} x_{12}^\nu \partial_2^\mu - \frac{\bar{u}}{u} x_{21}^\mu \partial_1^\nu \right) \\ & \left. - \frac{x_{12}^\mu x_{12}^\nu}{x_{12}^2} (\bar{u}-u) \frac{N}{N+1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{u\bar{u}}{N+2} x_{12}^2 \partial^2\right) \right] \mathcal{O}_N^{(1)}(x_{21}^u) \\ & + \frac{x_{12}^\mu x_{12}^\nu}{x_{12}^2} \left[\frac{N^2+N+2}{4(N+1)(N+2)} - \frac{u\bar{u}N(N-1)}{(N+1)(N+2)} \right] \mathcal{O}_N^{(2)}(x_{21}^u) \left. \right\} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

where

$$n_{\mu_1} \dots n_{\mu_N} \mathcal{O}_N^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_N}(y) = \frac{\Gamma(3/2)\Gamma(N)}{\Gamma(N+1/2)} \left(\frac{i\partial_+}{4} \right)^{N-1} \bar{q}(y)^{\gamma_+} C_{N-1}^{3/2} \left(\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ D_+ - D_+ \\ \leftarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ D_+ + D_+ \\ \leftarrow \end{array} \right) q(y),$$

and

$$\mathcal{O}_N^{(k)}(y) = \partial_y^{\mu_1} \dots \partial_y^{\mu_k} \mathcal{O}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_k \mu_{k+1} \dots \mu_N}(y) x_{12}^{\mu_{k+1}} \dots x_{12}^{\mu_N},$$



Local OPE \rightarrow Light-ray OPE

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle p' | \mathbb{T} \{ j^\mu(x) j^\nu(0) | p \rangle &= \frac{1}{i\pi^2} \langle p' | \left\{ \frac{1}{x^4} \left[[g^{\mu\nu}(x\partial) - x^\mu \partial^\nu] \int_0^1 du \mathcal{O}(\bar{u}, 0) - x^\nu (\partial^\mu - i\Delta^\mu) \int_0^1 dv \mathcal{O}(1, v) \right] \right. \\
&+ \frac{1}{x^2} \left[\frac{i}{2} (\Delta^\nu \partial^\mu - \Delta^\mu \partial^\nu) \int_0^1 du \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \mathcal{O}(\bar{u}, v) - \frac{\Delta^2}{4} x^\mu \partial^\nu \int_0^1 du u \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \mathcal{O}(\bar{u}, v) \right] \\
&+ \frac{\Delta^2}{2} \frac{x^\mu x^\nu}{x^4} \int_0^1 du \bar{u} \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \mathcal{O}(\bar{u}, v) + \frac{1}{4x^2} g^{\mu\nu} \left[- \int_0^1 du \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \mathcal{O}^{(1)}(\bar{u}, v) + \int_0^1 dv \mathcal{O}^{(-)}(1, v) \right] \\
&- \frac{1}{4x^2} (x^\nu \partial^\mu + x^\mu \partial^\nu - ix^\mu \Delta^\nu) \int_0^1 du \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \left(\ln \bar{\tau} \mathcal{O}^{(1)}(\bar{u}, v) + \frac{v}{\bar{v}} \mathcal{O}^{(-)}(\bar{u}, v) \right) \\
&- \frac{1}{2x^2} (x^\nu \partial^\mu - x^\mu \partial^\nu + ix^\mu \Delta^\nu) \int_0^1 du \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \frac{\tau}{\bar{\tau}} \left(-\mathcal{O}^{(1)}(\bar{u}, v) + \frac{\bar{u}}{u} \mathcal{O}^{(-)}(\bar{u}, v) \right) \\
&- \frac{1}{4x^2} x^\nu (\partial^\mu - i\Delta^\mu) \left[\int_0^1 du \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \frac{v}{\bar{v}} \left[-2 \left(1 + \frac{2\tau}{\bar{\tau}} \right) \mathcal{O}^{(1)}(\bar{u}, v) + \frac{v}{\bar{v}} \mathcal{O}^{(-)}(\bar{u}, v) \right] + \int_0^1 dv \frac{v}{\bar{v}} \mathcal{O}^{(-)}(1, v) \right] \\
&- \frac{1}{2x^2} x^\mu \partial^\nu \int_0^1 du \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \left[(\ln \bar{u} + u) \mathcal{O}^{(1)}(\bar{u}, v) + \bar{u} \mathcal{O}^{(-)}(\bar{u}, v) - \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{4\tau}{\bar{\tau}} \right) \mathcal{O}^{(-)}(\bar{u}, v) \right] \\
&- \frac{x^\mu x^\nu}{x^4} \int_0^1 du \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \left[(\ln \bar{\tau} + \ln \bar{u} + u) \mathcal{O}^{(1)}(\bar{u}, v) + \left(\frac{v}{\bar{v}} + \bar{u} \right) \mathcal{O}^{(-)}(\bar{u}, v) \right] \\
&- \frac{x^\mu x^\nu}{4x^2} \left[i(\Delta\partial) + \frac{1}{2}\Delta^2 \right] \int_0^1 du \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \frac{v}{\bar{v}} \left(\frac{2}{\bar{\tau}} - 1 \right) \mathcal{O}^{(1)}(\bar{u}, v) \\
&+ \frac{x^\mu x^\nu}{2x^2} \left[i(\Delta\partial) + \frac{1}{4}\Delta^2 \right] \int_0^1 du \int_0^{\bar{u}} dv \left(\ln \bar{\tau} + \frac{2\tau}{\bar{\tau}} \right) \mathcal{O}^{(1)}(\bar{u}, v) \left. \right\} | p \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

$$\tau = \frac{uv}{\bar{u}\bar{v}}$$

$$\partial_\mu = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu}$$



Helicity amplitudes for a scalar target

- Kinematics:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mu\nu} = -g_{\mu\nu}^{\perp} \mathcal{A}^{(0)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{-q^2}} \left(q_{\mu} - q'_{\mu} \frac{q^2}{(qq')} \right) g_{\nu\rho}^{\perp} P^{\rho} \mathcal{A}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} \left(g_{\mu\rho}^{\perp} g_{\nu\sigma}^{\perp} - \epsilon_{\mu\rho}^{\perp} \epsilon_{\nu\sigma}^{\perp} \right) P^{\rho} P^{\sigma} \mathcal{A}^{(2)} + q'_{\nu} \mathcal{A}_{\mu}^{(3)}$$

transverse directions are defined vs. q and q' :

$$g_{\mu\nu}^{\perp} = g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{q_{\mu} q'_{\nu} + q'_{\mu} q_{\nu}}{(qq')} + q'_{\mu} q'_{\nu} \frac{q^2}{(qq')^2}, \quad \epsilon_{\mu\nu}^{\perp} = \frac{1}{(qq')} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} q^{\alpha} q'^{\beta}$$

- Done:

$$\mathcal{A}^{(0)} \sim 1 + \frac{1}{Q^2} + \frac{1}{Q^4} + \dots \quad \checkmark$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{(1)} \sim \frac{1}{Q} + \frac{1}{Q^3} + \dots \quad \checkmark$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{(2)} \sim \frac{1}{Q^2} + \frac{1}{Q^4} + \dots \quad \checkmark$$

- further terms can be calculated if necessary



Helicity amplitudes for a scalar target (2)

- Two expansion parameters

$$\Delta^2 = (p' - p)^2 = t$$

$$\xi^2 P_{\perp}^2 = \xi^2 m^2 \frac{t - t_{\min}}{t_{\min}}$$

$$P^{\mu} = \frac{1}{2}(p + p')^{\mu}, \quad P_{\perp}^{\mu} = g_{\perp}^{\mu\nu} P^{\nu}$$

$$t_{\min} = -\frac{4\xi^2 m^2}{1 - \xi^2}$$

- Convolution integral with GPD $H(x, \xi)$

$$H \otimes f = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{\xi} H(x, \xi) f\left(\frac{x + \xi}{2\xi}\right), \quad \xi \rightarrow \xi - i0$$

- Useful derivative

$$D_{\xi} = \xi^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi}$$



Helicity amplitudes for a scalar target

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{A}_0 &= 2 \left(1 + \frac{t}{4(qq')} \right) (T_0 \otimes H) \\
 &\quad - \frac{t}{(qq')} (T_1 \otimes H) + \frac{2}{(qq')} \left(\frac{t}{\xi} + 2|P_\perp|^2 D_\xi \right) D_\xi (T_3 \otimes H) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \frac{t^2}{(qq')^2} (\tilde{T}_1 \otimes H) + \frac{4t}{(qq')^2} \left\{ \frac{t}{\xi} + 2|P_\perp|^2 D_\xi \right\} D_\xi (T_2 \otimes H) \\
 &\quad + \frac{2}{(qq')^2} \left\{ \frac{t^2}{\xi^2} + 2t|P_\perp|^2 \left(\frac{2}{\xi} D_\xi - 1 \right) + 2|P_\perp|^4 D_\xi^2 \right\} D_\xi^2 (T_5 \otimes H), \\
 \mathcal{A}_1 &= -\frac{4Q}{(qq')} D_\xi (T_1 \otimes H) \\
 &\quad - \frac{4Q}{(q'q)^2} \left\{ t - 2\frac{t}{\xi} D_\xi - 2|P_\perp|^2 D_\xi^2 \right\} D_\xi (T_2 \otimes H) + \frac{2Qt}{(q'q)^2} D_\xi (\tilde{T}_1 \otimes H) \\
 \mathcal{A}_2 &= -\frac{8}{(qq')} \left(1 + \frac{t}{4(qq')} \right) D_\xi^2 (\tilde{T}_1 \otimes H) \\
 &\quad + \frac{4}{(qq')^2} \left(3t - 3\frac{t}{\xi} D_\xi - 2|P_\perp|^2 D_\xi^2 \right) D_\xi^2 (T_2 \otimes H).
 \end{aligned}$$

- Leading term in $\mathcal{A}^{(1)}$ is known as the twist-three WW contribution
- All IR divergences at $q'^2 \rightarrow 0$ cancel



Helicity amplitudes for a scalar target

- Coefficient functions

$$T_0(u) = \frac{1}{1-u},$$

$$T_1(u) = -\frac{1}{u} \ln(1-u),$$

$$\tilde{T}_1(u) = \frac{1-2u}{u} \ln(1-u),$$

$$T_2(u) = \frac{\text{Li}_2(u) - \text{Li}_2(1)}{1-u} - \ln(1-u),$$

$$T_3(u) = \frac{\text{Li}_2(u) - \text{Li}_2(1)}{1-u} - \frac{\ln(1-u)}{2u} = T_2(u) - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{T}_1(u),$$

$$T_5(u) = \left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{1}{2u} \right) \ln(1-u) - \left(\frac{3}{1-u} - 2 \right) \left(\text{Li}_2(u) - \text{Li}_2(1) \right).$$

- Transcendentality level does not increase with power



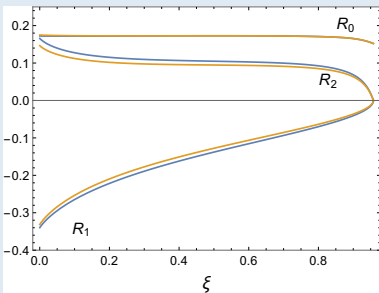
Numerics: finite- t corrections to the imaginary parts of helicity amplitudes

$$Q^2 = 5 \text{ GeV}^2, \quad t = -1 \text{ GeV}^2, \quad m^2 \rightarrow 0$$

PRELIMINARY

$$R_0 = \frac{\text{Im}\mathcal{A}_0 - \text{Im}\mathcal{A}_0^{(0)}}{\text{Im}\mathcal{A}_0^{(0)}} \quad R_1 = |P_\perp| \frac{\text{Im}\mathcal{A}_1}{\text{Im}\mathcal{A}_0^{(0)}} \quad R_2 = |P_\perp|^2 \frac{\text{Im}\mathcal{A}_2}{\text{Im}\mathcal{A}_0^{(0)}}$$

$$\text{Im}\mathcal{A}_0^{(0)} = \pi H(\xi, \xi)$$



$$\mathcal{A}^{(0)} \sim 1 + \frac{1}{Q^2} + \frac{1}{Q^4} + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{(1)} \sim \frac{1}{Q} + \frac{1}{Q^3} + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{(2)} \sim \frac{1}{Q^2} + \frac{1}{Q^4} + \dots$$

GPD model used:

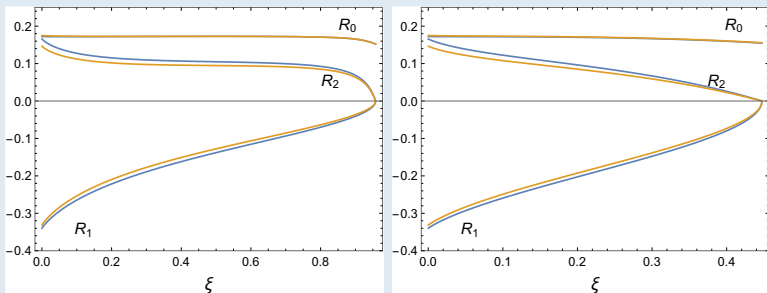
$$H(x, \xi, t) \Big|_{x>\xi} = \frac{3x}{4\xi} \int_{\beta_1}^{\beta_2} \frac{d\beta}{\beta^{1+a(t)}} \left[\bar{\beta}^2 - \left(\frac{x-\beta}{\xi} \right)^2 \right] e^{Bt}, \quad \beta_1 = \frac{x-\xi}{1-\xi}, \quad \beta_2 = \frac{x+\xi}{1+\xi}, \quad a(t) = \frac{1}{2}$$



Numerics: target-mass corrections to the imaginary parts of helicity amplitudes

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PRELIMINARY



Left: $m = 0$; Right: $m = 1 \text{ GeV}$



NNLP corrections are small, but:

- Expansion written in powers of $1/(qq') = -2/(Q^2 + t)$
- $\xi = \frac{x_B(1+t/Q^2)}{2-x_B(1-t/Q^2)}$
- Rewriting the results in terms of BMJ CFFs generally makes corrections larger
- Extra kinematic factors are present in observables

Outlook:

- DVCS: Nucleon target; axial-vector contributions, numerical studies in JLAB/EIC kinematics
- Other two-photon processes, e.g. $\gamma^* \gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi$
- Conformal triangles with light-ray operators
- Power corrections to NLO in α_s (Gluon GPDs)

