

# Rapidity-only evolution of TMDs

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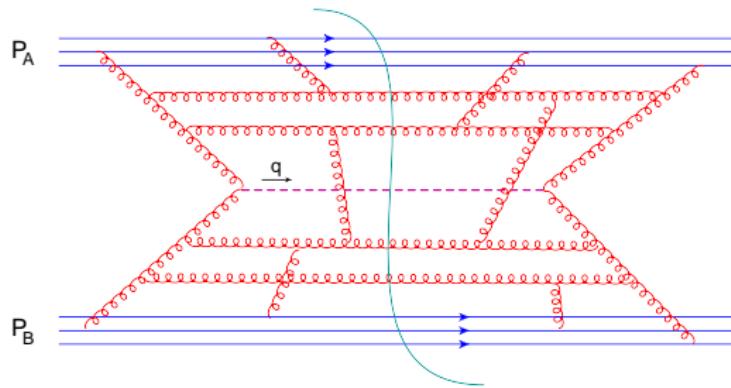
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- Conformal invariance of TMD Operators.
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- Conclusions

# Particle production in hadron-hadron collisions

e.g. production of Higgs particle



- typical TMD region:  $s \sim q^2 = m_X^2 \gg q_\perp^2 \sim 1\text{ GeV}$
- Sudakov region:  $s \sim q^2 = m_X^2 \gg q_\perp^2 \gg 1\text{ GeV}$
- small- $x$  region :  $s \gg q^2 \sim q_\perp^2 \gg m_N^2$

# TMD factorization

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\eta d^2q_\perp} = \sum_f \int d^2b_\perp e^{i(q,b)_\perp} \mathcal{D}_{f/A}(x_A, b_\perp, \eta) \mathcal{D}_{f/B}(x_B, b_\perp, \eta) \sigma(f\bar{f} \rightarrow H)$$

+ power corrections + Y-terms

- rapidity:  $\eta$
- $\mathcal{D}_{f/A}$ : TMD density of parton  $f$  in hadron  $A$ .
- $\sigma(f\bar{f} \rightarrow H)$ : cross section of production of particle  $H$  of invariant mass  $m_H^2 = Q^2$  from two partons scattering.
- Power corrections:  $\frac{q_\perp^2}{Q^2}$ .
- Y-terms: for  $q_\perp^2 \sim Q^2$  allow transition to collinear factorization formula.

- TMD evolution equation are analyzed by different methods at moderate  $x_B$ , CSS and SCET, and at small- $x_B$  resulting in different evolution equations.
- At the future Electron Ion Collider, TMD will be probed from low to high  $x_B$ . It is then necessary to develop a formalism which is valid in both limits.
- In the region of moderate  $x_B$  TMD analysis is performed with a combination of UV and rapidity cutoff which results in two evolution equations, in  $\mu^2$  and  $\zeta$  (related to rapidity).
  - ▶ Such evolution equations are known at two and three-loop, but their relation to the conformal properties of TMD is not known.

# Motivation

- I. Balitsky and A. Tarasov (2016): Evolution equation for gluon TMD valid for all  $x_B = \beta_B$  and all  $k_\perp (\geq 1\text{GeV})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d \ln \sigma} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_i^a(\beta_B, x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_j^a(\beta_B, y_\perp) &= -\alpha_s \text{Tr} \left\{ \int d^2 k_\perp (x_\perp) \left\{ U^\dagger \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} (U k_k + p_k U) \frac{\sigma \beta_B s g_{\mu i} - 2 k_\mu^\perp k_i}{\sigma \beta_B s + k_\perp^2} \right. \right. \\ &\quad - 2 k_\mu^\perp g_{ik} U^\dagger \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} U - 2 g_{\mu k} U^\dagger \frac{p_i}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} U + \frac{2 k_\mu^\perp}{k_\perp^2} g_{ik} \Big\} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}^k \left( \beta_B + \frac{k_\perp^2}{\sigma s} \right) |k_\perp) \\ &\quad \times (k_\perp | \mathcal{F}^l \left( \beta_B + \frac{k_\perp^2}{\sigma s} \right) \left\{ \frac{\sigma \beta_B s \delta_j^\mu - 2 k_\perp^\mu k_j}{\sigma \beta_B s + k_\perp^2} (k_l U^\dagger + U^\dagger p_l) \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} U \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - 2 k_\perp^\mu g_{jl} U^\dagger \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} U - 2 \delta_l^\mu U^\dagger \frac{p_j}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} U + 2 g_{jl} \frac{k_\perp^\mu}{k_\perp^2} \right\} |y_\perp) \right. \\ &\quad + 2 \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_i(\beta_B, x_\perp) (y_\perp | \frac{p_\perp^m}{p_\perp^2} \mathcal{F}_k(\beta_B) (i \overset{\leftarrow}{\partial}_l + U_l) (2 \delta_m^k \delta_j^l - g_{jm} g^{kl}) U^\dagger \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s - p_\perp^2 + i\epsilon} U \\ &\quad \quad \quad + \mathcal{F}_j(\beta_B) \frac{\sigma \beta_B s}{p_\perp^2 (\sigma \beta_B s - p_\perp^2 + i\epsilon)} |y_\perp) \\ &\quad + 2 (x_\perp | - U^\dagger \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s - p_\perp^2 - i\epsilon} U (2 \delta_i^k \delta_m^l - g_{im} g^{kl}) (i \partial_k - U_k) \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_l(\beta_B) \frac{p_\perp^m}{p_\perp^2} \\ &\quad \quad \quad + \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_i(\beta_B) \frac{\sigma \beta_B s}{p_\perp^2 (\sigma \beta_B s - p_\perp^2 - i\epsilon)} |x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_j(\beta_B, y_\perp) \Big\} + O(\alpha_s^2) \end{aligned}$$

Light-cone limit  $\Rightarrow$  DGLAP

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} \alpha_s \mathcal{D}(x_B, 0_\perp, \eta) = \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} N_c \int_{x_B}^1 \frac{dz'}{z'} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{1-z'} \right)_+ + \frac{1}{z'} - 2 + z'(1-z') \right] \alpha_s \mathcal{D}\left(\frac{x_B}{z'}, 0_\perp, \eta\right)$$

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Double-Log:  $1 \gg \sigma \gg \frac{(x-y)_\perp^{-2}}{s}$  and  $\sigma x_B s \gg p_\perp^2 (x-y)_\perp^{-2}$   $\eta = \ln \sigma$

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} \mathcal{D}(x_B, z_\perp, \ln \sigma) = \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \mathcal{D}(x_B, z_\perp, \ln \sigma) \int \frac{d^2 p_\perp}{p_\perp^2} [e^{i(p,z)_\perp} - 1]$$

# Motivation

Result is complicated and not unique. Conformal Invariance may help.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d \ln \sigma} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_i^a(\beta_B, x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_j^a(\beta_B, y_\perp) &= -\alpha_s \text{Tr} \left\{ \int d^2 k_\perp (x_\perp) \left\{ U^\dagger \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} (U k_k + p_k U) \frac{\sigma \beta_B s g_{\mu i} - 2 k_\mu^\perp k_i}{\sigma \beta_B s + k_\perp^2} \right. \right. \\ &- 2 k_\mu^\perp g_{ik} U^\dagger \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} U - 2 g_{\mu k} U^\dagger \frac{p_i}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} U + \frac{2 k_\mu^\perp}{k_\perp^2} g_{ik} \Big\} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}^k \left( \beta_B + \frac{k_\perp^2}{\sigma s} \right) |k_\perp) \\ &\times (k_\perp | \mathcal{F}^l \left( \beta_B + \frac{k_\perp^2}{\sigma s} \right) \left\{ \frac{\sigma \beta_B s \delta_j^\mu - 2 k_\perp^\mu k_j}{\sigma \beta_B s + k_\perp^2} (k_l U^\dagger + U^\dagger p_l) \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} U \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - 2 k_\perp^\mu g_{jl} U^\dagger \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} U - 2 \delta_l^\mu U^\dagger \frac{p_j}{\sigma \beta_B s + p_\perp^2} U + 2 g_{jl} \frac{k_\perp^\mu}{k_\perp^2} \right\} |y_\perp) \right. \\ &+ 2 \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_i(\beta_B, x_\perp) (y_\perp | \frac{p^m}{p_\perp^2} \mathcal{F}_k(\beta_B) (i \overset{\leftarrow}{\partial}_l + U_l) (2 \delta_m^k \delta_j^l - g_{jm} g^{kl}) U^\dagger \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s - p_\perp^2 + i \epsilon} U \\ &\quad + \mathcal{F}_j(\beta_B) \frac{\sigma \beta_B s}{p_\perp^2 (\sigma \beta_B s - p_\perp^2 + i \epsilon)} |y_\perp) \\ &+ 2 (x_\perp | - U^\dagger \frac{1}{\sigma \beta_B s - p_\perp^2 - i \epsilon} U (2 \delta_i^k \delta_m^l - g_{im} g^{kl}) (i \partial_k - U_k) \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_l(\beta_B) \frac{p^m}{p_\perp^2} \\ &\quad + \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_i(\beta_B) \frac{\sigma \beta_B s}{p_\perp^2 (\sigma \beta_B s - p_\perp^2 - i \epsilon)} |x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_j(\beta_B, y_\perp) \Big\} + O(\alpha_s^2) \end{aligned}$$

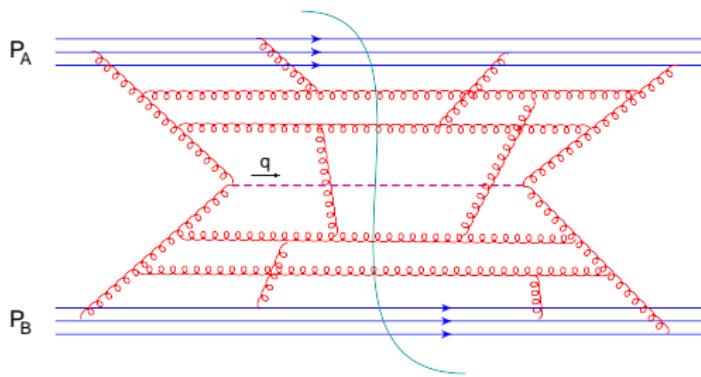
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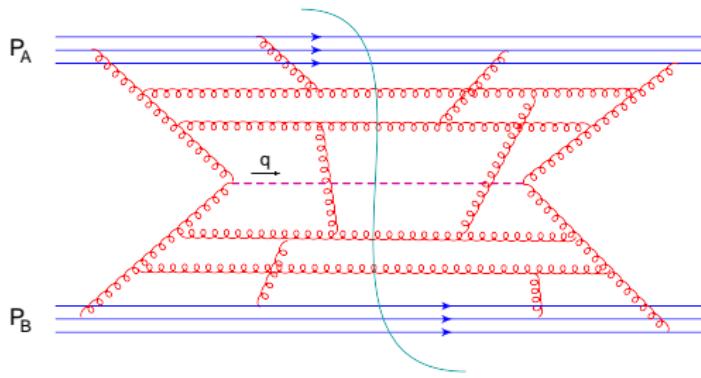
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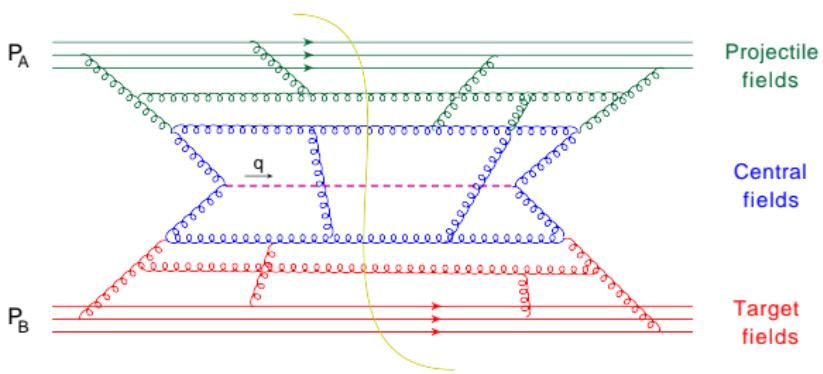


Simpler case has been studied: 4-point correlation functions in the Regge limit:  
only two conformal ratios.

# Particle production in hadron-hadron collisions

## Rapidity Factorization

I. Balitsky and G.A.C. (2008),  
I. Balitsky and A. Tarasov (2015)



- Projectile fields:  $k^- < \sigma_a \Rightarrow$  Projectile TMD
- Central fields: coefficient functions
- Target fields:  $k^+ < \sigma_b \Rightarrow$  Target TMD

# TMD factorization in coordinate space

$$\mathcal{F}^{i,a}(z_\perp, z^+) \equiv g F^{-i,m}(z) \left[ \mathbf{P} e^{ig \int_{-\infty}^{z^+} dz^+ A^{-,\sigma}(up_1 + x_\perp)} \right]^{ma}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \mathcal{S}(z_1) \mathcal{S}(z_2) \mathcal{S}(z_3) \mathcal{S}(z_4) \mathcal{F}^2(x) \mathcal{F}^2(y) \rangle \\ &= \langle \mathcal{S}(z_1) \mathcal{S}(z_2) \mathcal{F}_i(x^+, x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_j(y^+, y_\perp) \rangle \langle \mathcal{S}(z_3) \mathcal{S}(z_4) \mathcal{F}_i(x^-, x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_j(y^-, y_\perp) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Sudakov region:

$$Q^2 \gg q_\perp^2 \Leftrightarrow (x-y)^+(x-y)^- \ll (x-y)_\perp^2$$

Small-x region:

$$s \gg Q^2 \sim q_\perp^2 \Leftrightarrow (x-y)^+(x-y)^- \sim (x-y)_\perp^2 \quad z_1^-, z_3^+ \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } z_2^-, z_4^+ \rightarrow -\infty$$

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# TMD factorization in coordinate space

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle p_A, p_B | g^2 F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu}(z_1) g^2 F_{\lambda\rho}^b F^{b\lambda\rho}(z_2) | p_A, p_B \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{N_c^2 - 1} \langle p_A | \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_{ij}(z_1^-, z_{1\perp}; z_2^-, z_{2\perp}) | p_A \rangle^{\sigma_A} \langle p_B | \mathcal{O}^{ij}(z_1^+, z_{1\perp}; z_2^+, z_{2\perp}) | p_B \rangle^{\sigma_B} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

## Gluon TMD operator

$$\mathcal{O}_{ij}(z_1^+, z_{1\perp}; z_2^+, z_{2\perp}) = \mathcal{F}_i^a(z_1)[z_1 - \infty n, z_2 - \infty n]^{ab} \mathcal{F}_j^b(z_2) \Big|_{z_1^- = z_2^- = 0},$$

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$$A_\mu^\sigma(x) = \int \frac{d^4 k}{16\pi^4} \theta\left(\frac{\sigma\sqrt{2}}{z_{12\perp}} - |k^+|\right) e^{-ik\cdot x} A_\mu(k)$$

$\frac{\sigma\sqrt{2}}{z_{12\perp}}$  cutoff preserving conformal invariance

$$[x, y] \equiv \text{P} e^{ig \int du (x-y)^\mu A_\mu(ux + (1-u)y)}$$

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TMDs are invariant under the inversion

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}_i^m(z_\perp, z^+) &= F^{-i,n}(z^+, z_\perp)[z^+, z^+ - \infty n]^{nm} \\ &\rightarrow F^{-i,n}\left(\frac{z^+}{z_\perp^2}, \frac{z_\perp}{z_\perp^2}\right)\left[\frac{z^+}{z_\perp}, \frac{z^+}{z_\perp^2} - \infty n\right]^{nm} = \mathcal{F}_i^m(z'_\perp, z'^+)\end{aligned}$$

We need the full conformal group of TMD operators.

## Conformal SO(2,4) group

Conformal group has 15 generators: Poincare + Dilatation + Special conformal trasformation (inversion + shift + inversion)

$$i[M_{\mu\nu}, M_{\alpha\beta}] = g_{\mu\alpha}M_{\nu\beta} + g_{\nu\beta}M_{\mu\alpha} - g_{\mu\beta}M_{\nu\alpha} - g_{\nu\alpha}M_{\mu\beta}$$

$$i[M_{\alpha\beta}, P_\mu] = g_{\alpha\mu}P_\beta - g_{\beta\mu}P_\alpha$$

$$i[M_{\alpha\beta}, K_\mu] = g_{\alpha\mu}K_\beta - g_{\beta\mu}K_\alpha$$

$$i[D, P_\mu] = P_\mu, \quad i[D, K_\mu] = -K_\mu, \quad i[K_\mu, P_\nu] = 2(g_{\mu\nu}D + M_{\mu\nu})$$

Action on scalar field of canonical dimension  $\Delta$ :

$$i[D, \Phi(x)] = (x^\alpha \partial_\alpha + \Delta)\Phi(x)$$

$$i[K^\mu, \Phi(x)] = (2x^\mu x^\alpha \partial_\alpha - x^2 \partial^\mu + 2\Delta x^\mu)\Phi(x)$$

quantum correction:  $\Delta \rightarrow \Delta + \text{anomalous}$

# Conformal invariance of TMD operator

Conformal  $SO(2, 4)$  group has 15 generators

TMD operator transform covariantly under 11 generators:

## TMD Conformal group

$$P^i, \ P^-, \ M^{12}, \ M^{-i}, \ D, \ K^i, \ K^-, \ M^{-+}$$

Generators  $P^+, K^+, M^{+i}$  do not preserve the form of  $\mathcal{F}^{-j}$ .

# Conformal invariance of TMD operator

## Action of conformal generators on TMD operators

$$-i\textcolor{red}{P}^i \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp) = \partial^i \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp), \quad -i\textcolor{red}{P}^- \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^+} \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp),$$

$$-i\textcolor{red}{M}^{-i} \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp) = -x^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^+} \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp),$$

$$-i\textcolor{red}{D} \mathcal{F}^{-i}(x^+, x_\perp) = (x^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^+} + x^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} + 2) \mathcal{F}^{-i}(x^+, x_\perp),$$

$$-i\textcolor{red}{M}^{ij} \mathcal{F}^{-k}(x^+, x_\perp) = (x^i \partial^j - x^j \partial^i) \mathcal{F}^{-k}(x^+, x_\perp) + g^{ik} \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp) - g^{jk} \mathcal{F}^{-i}(x^+, x_\perp),$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\textcolor{red}{K}^i \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp) &= 2x^i (x^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^+} + x^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} + 2) \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp) + x_\perp^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp) \\ &\quad - 2x^j \mathcal{F}^{-i}(x^+, x_\perp) + 2g^{ij} x_i \mathcal{F}^{-i}(x^+, x_\perp), \end{aligned}$$

$$-i\textcolor{red}{K}^- \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp) = x_\perp^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^+} \mathcal{F}^{-j}(x^+, x_\perp),$$

$$-i\textcolor{red}{M}^{+-} \mathcal{F}^{-i}(x^+, x_\perp) = (x^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^+} + 1) \mathcal{F}^{-i}(x^+, x_\perp)$$

## Conformal TMD group in the embedding formalism

Conformal TMD group in the 6-dim space;  $g^{-2,-2} = 1, g^{-1,-1} = -1$

Conf. Transf. are Lorentz transf. of light-rays  $\left(\frac{1-x^2}{2}, \frac{1+x^2}{2}, x_\mu\right)$  in 6-dim space with metric  $(1, -1, 1, -1, -1, -1)$

$$L_{\mu\nu} \equiv M_{\mu\nu}, \quad L_{-2,\mu} \equiv \frac{1}{2}(P_\mu - K_\mu), \quad L_{-1,\mu} \equiv \frac{1}{2}(P_\mu + K_\mu), \quad L_{-2,-1} \equiv D$$

$$i[L_{ab}, L_{mn}] = g_{ma}L_{nb} + g_{nb}L_{ma} - g_{mb}L_{na} - g_{na}L_{mb}$$

Define

$$L_{mn} \equiv \mathbb{M}_{mn} \quad L_{-n} \equiv \mathbb{P}_n \quad L_{+-} \equiv \mathbb{D}$$

with  $m, n, l = -2, -1, 1, 2$ , get usual Poincare generators  $\mathbb{M}_{mn}, \mathbb{P}_n$  and the “Dilatation”  $\mathbb{D}$  in 4-dim sub-space orthogonal to the physical “+” and “-” directions

$$W_{\mu\nu}(q) = \sum_{\text{flavors}} e_f^2 \int d^2 k_\perp \mathcal{D}_{f/A}^{(i)}(x_A, k_\perp) \mathcal{D}_{f/B}^{(i)}(x_B, q_\perp - k_\perp) C_{\mu\nu}(q, k_\perp)$$

+ power corrections + Y-terms

$\mathcal{D}_{f/A}(x_A, k_\perp)$  is the TMD density of a quark  $f$  in hadron  $A$  with fraction of momentum  $x_A$  and transverse momentum  $k_\perp$  (similar for hadron B)

TMD  $f_1$  for total DY cross section for unpolarized hadrons

$$f_1^f(x_B, k_\perp) = \frac{1}{16\pi^3} \int dz_+ d^2 z_\perp e^{-ix_B z^+ \sqrt{\frac{s}{2}} + i(k,z)_\perp} \langle p_N | \bar{\psi}_f(z_+, z_\perp) [z, z - \infty n] \not{p} \psi_f(0) | p_N \rangle$$

unpolarized nucleon  $|p_N\rangle$

$$p_N \simeq p_N^-, \quad n = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \text{ light-like vector in “+” direction}$$

# Quark and Gluon TMD Operators

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## Quark TMDs

$$\bar{\psi}(x^+, x_\perp)[x, x \pm \infty n][\pm \infty n + x_\perp, \pm \infty n + y_\perp]\Gamma[\pm \infty n + y, y]\psi(y^+, y_\perp)$$

## Gluon TMDs

$$F^{-i}(x^+, x_\perp)[x, x \pm \infty n][\pm \infty n + x_\perp, \pm \infty n + y_\perp][\pm \infty n + y, y]F^{-j}(y^+, y_\perp)$$

single out “good” projections in the light-cone language

$$\Gamma \rightarrow \gamma^-, \gamma^- \gamma_5, \gamma^- \gamma_\perp$$

## Rapidity-only cut-off

Rapidity divergences due to infinitely long gauge links

Rapidity-only cut-off: restrict the  $+$  component of emitted gluons by Wilson lines

$$A_\mu^\sigma(x) = \int \frac{d^4k}{16\pi^4} \theta(\sigma\varrho - |k^+|) e^{-ik\cdot x} A_\mu(k)$$

$$\varrho \equiv \sqrt{\frac{s}{2}}$$

Goal: find evolution of TMDs with respect to  $\sigma$  in the Sudakov region

$$\sigma x_B s \gg k_\perp^2 \sim q_\perp^2$$

## Background field method

To find the evolution kernel:

- ① Integrate over gluons with  $\sigma > k^+/\varrho > \sigma'$
- ② temporarily freeze the fields with  $k^+/\varrho < \sigma'$

The result will be some kernel multiplied by TMD operators with rapidity cutoff  $\sigma'$

$$\langle \bar{\psi}(x^+, x_\perp) [x^+, -\infty^+]_x [x_\perp - \infty^+, y_\perp - \infty^+] [-\infty^+, y^+]_y \Gamma \psi(y^+, y_\perp) \rangle_{\Psi, A}$$

$\Psi$  and  $A$  are quarks and gluons with small  $k^+ < \sigma \varrho$

$$[x^+, y^+]_z \equiv [x^+ n + z_\perp, y^+ n + z_\perp]$$

- Background field  $\rightarrow A^- = 0$ 
  - ▶ an extra background gluon line would mean an extra  $F_{\mu\nu}$ . This gives a higher-twist contribution which we neglect
- Quantum field  $\rightarrow$  background-Feynman gauge
  - ▶ It reduces to the usual Feynman gauge in diagrams without background gluons.
  - ▶ in such a gauge the contribution of the gauge link at infinity  $[x_\perp - \infty n, y_\perp - \infty n]$  does not contribute.

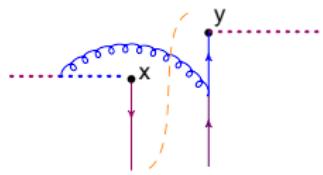
# Fourier transform of background field

$$\Psi(\beta_B, p_{B\perp}) = \varrho \int dz^+ dz_\perp \Psi(z^+, z_\perp) e^{i\varrho\beta_B z^+ - i(p_B, z)_\perp}$$

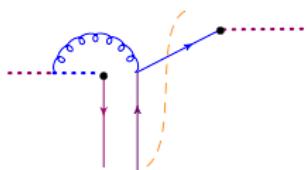
$$\bar{\Psi}(\beta'_B, p'_{B\perp}) = \varrho \int dz^+ dz_\perp \bar{\Psi}(z^+, z_\perp) e^{i\varrho\beta'_B z^+ - i(p'_B, z)_\perp}$$

Background field not on the mass shell

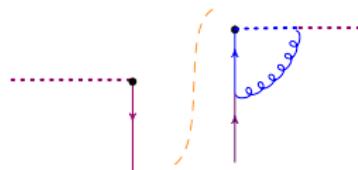
# Diagrams with no time ordering



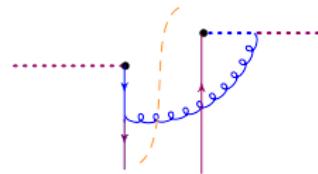
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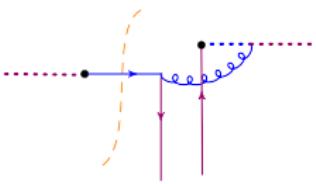
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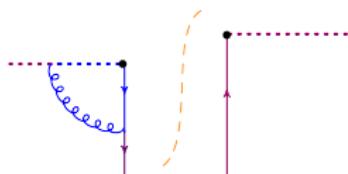
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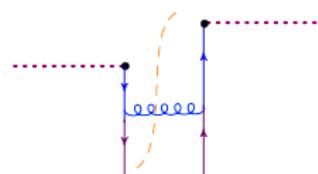
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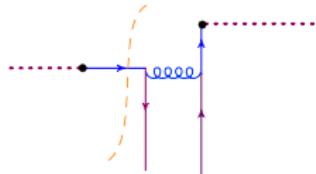
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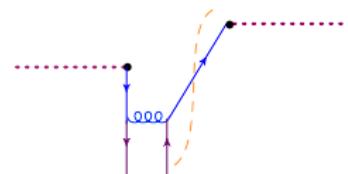
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## Cancellation of IR divergences

IR divergences in diagrams (a), (b) and (c) should cancel

$$p_\perp \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow x \rightarrow y$$

$$\langle [x^+, -\infty^+]_x [-\infty^+, y^+]_y \Gamma \psi(y^+, y_\perp) \rangle_\Psi \stackrel{x \rightarrow y}{=} \langle [x^+, y^+]_y \Gamma \psi(y^+, y_\perp) \rangle_\Psi$$

The use of naive rigid cut-off

$$\int_0^\sigma \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} \quad \sigma \equiv \frac{1}{\varrho \delta^-} > 0$$

The use of naive rigid cut-off does not allow IR cancellation

# Rigid cut-off with point splitting regulator

⇒ Use rigid cut-off with point splitting

$$\int_0^\sigma \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} \rightarrow \int_0^\infty \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} e^{-i\frac{\alpha}{\sigma}}$$



## Rapidity-regularized operators

$$\bar{\psi}^\sigma(x^+, x_\perp) \equiv \bar{\psi}(x^+, x_\perp, -\frac{1}{\rho\sigma})[x^+, -\infty]_x$$

$$\psi^\sigma(y^+, y_\perp) \equiv [-\infty, y^+]_y \psi(y^+, y_\perp, -\frac{1}{\rho\sigma})$$

# Evolution equations for quark TMDs in momentum space

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sigma \frac{d}{d\sigma} + \sigma' \frac{d}{d\sigma'} \right) \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(\beta_B, y_\perp) \\ &= -\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} c_F \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(\beta_B, y_\perp) \left[ \ln \left( -\frac{i}{4} (\beta'_B + i\epsilon) \sigma' s \Delta_\perp^2 e^\gamma \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \ln \left( -\frac{i}{4} (\beta_B + i\epsilon) \sigma s \Delta_\perp^2 e^\gamma \right) \right] + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{m_\perp^2}{\beta_B \sigma s}, \frac{m_\perp^2}{\beta'_B \sigma' s} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$m_\perp^2 \sim \Delta_\perp^{-2} \sim p_{B\perp}^2$$

The solution of the evolution equation reads

$$\begin{aligned} & \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(\beta_B, y_\perp) \\ &= e^{-\frac{\alpha_s c_F}{4\pi} \ln \frac{\sigma'}{\sigma_0} \left[ \ln \sigma' \sigma'_0 + 2 \ln \left( -\frac{i}{4} (\beta'_B + i\epsilon) s \Delta_\perp^2 e^\gamma \right) \right]} \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'_0}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \\ &\quad \times \Gamma \psi^{\sigma_0}(\beta_B, y_\perp) e^{-\frac{\alpha_s c_F}{4\pi} \ln \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_0} \left[ \ln \sigma \sigma_0 + 2 \ln \left( -\frac{i}{4} (\beta'_B + i\epsilon) s \Delta_\perp^2 e^\gamma \right) \right]} \end{aligned}$$

In the Sudakov approximation each operator evolve independently.  
Beyond Sudakov this is no longer true.

# Evolution equations for quark TMDs in coordinate space

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sigma \frac{d}{d\sigma} + \sigma' \frac{d}{d\sigma'} \right) \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(x^+, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(y^+, y_\perp) \\ &= \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi^2} c_F \left\{ \int dz^+ \left[ i \frac{\ln \varrho(-x^+ + z^+ + i\epsilon) - \ln \frac{\sigma b_\perp^2 s}{4} e^\gamma}{-x^+ + z^+ + i\epsilon} + \text{c.c.} \right] \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(z^+, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(y^+, y_\perp) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \int dw^+ \left[ i \frac{\ln \varrho(-y^+ + w^+ + i\epsilon) - \ln \frac{\sigma' b_\perp^2 s}{4} e^\gamma}{-y^+ + w^+ + i\epsilon} + \text{c.c.} \right] \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(x^+, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(w^+, y_\perp) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Note “causality”:  $z^+ \leq x^+$  and  $w^+ \leq y^+$ :

The evolved  $\bar{\psi}, \psi$  operators lag behind the original ones,

# Evolution equations for quark TMDs in coordinate space

## Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(x^+, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(y^+, y_\perp) &= e^{-\frac{\alpha_{sCF}}{4\pi} \left( \ln \frac{\sigma'}{\sigma'_0} \ln \sigma' \sigma'_0 + \ln \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_0} \ln \sigma \sigma_0 \right)} \\ &\times \int dz^+ \left[ \frac{i\Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha_{sCF}}{2\pi} \ln \frac{\sigma'}{\sigma'_0} \right)}{(z^+ - x^+ + i\epsilon)^{1 - \frac{\alpha_{sCF}}{2\pi} \ln \frac{\sigma'}{\sigma'_0}}} + \text{c.c.} \right] \int dw^+ \left[ \frac{i\Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha_{sCF}}{2\pi} \ln \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_0} \right)}{(w^+ - y^+ + i\epsilon)^{1 - \frac{\alpha_{sCF}}{2\pi} \ln \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_0}}} + \text{c.c.} \right] \\ &\times \frac{1}{4\pi^2} (b_\perp^2 e^\gamma \sqrt{s/8})^{-\frac{\alpha_{sCF}}{2\pi} \left( \ln \frac{\sigma'}{\sigma'_0} + \ln \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_0} \right)} \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'_0}(z^+, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^{\sigma_0}(w^+, y_\perp) \end{aligned}$$

Conformal invariance  $SO(2, 4)$ : choose  $\sigma = \sigma' = \frac{\varsigma \sqrt{2}}{\varrho |\Delta_\perp|}$   
 $\varsigma$  is an evolution parameter.

Sudakov evolution: transverse separation between the gluon operators  $\psi$  and  $\bar{\psi}$  does not change while the longitudinal one increases.

# Running coupling

BLM procedure:

1 Calculate quark loop diagrams

2 Promote  $-\frac{1}{6\pi}n_f$  to full  $b_0 = \frac{11}{12\pi}N_c - \frac{1}{6\pi}n_f$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{p^2 + i\epsilon} &\rightarrow \frac{1}{p^2 + i\epsilon} \left( 1 + b_0 \alpha_s(\mu) \ln \frac{\tilde{\mu}^2}{-p^2 - i\epsilon} \right) \\ \frac{1}{p^2 - i\epsilon} &\rightarrow \frac{1}{p^2 - i\epsilon} \left( 1 + b_0 \alpha_s(\mu) \ln \frac{\tilde{\mu}^2}{-p^2 + i\epsilon} \right) \\ 2\pi\delta(p^2)\theta(p_0) &\rightarrow \frac{i\theta(p_0)}{p^2 + i\epsilon} \left( 1 + b_0 \alpha_s(\mu) \ln \frac{\tilde{\mu}^2}{-p^2 - i\epsilon} \right) - \frac{i\theta(p_0)}{p^2 - i\epsilon} \left( 1 + b_0 \alpha_s(\mu) \ln \frac{\tilde{\mu}^2}{-p^2 + i\epsilon} \right)\end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{\mu}^2 \equiv \bar{\mu}_{\text{MS}}^2 e^{5/3}$ .

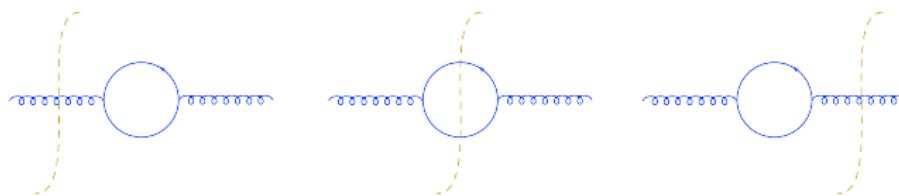


Figure : Quark loop correction to cut gluon propagator.

## Evolution with running coupling

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sigma \frac{d}{d\sigma} + \sigma' \frac{d}{d\sigma'} \right) \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(\beta_B, y_\perp) \\ &= -\frac{c_F}{2\pi} \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(\beta_B, y_\perp) \\ & \quad \times \left[ \alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'}) \ln \left( -\frac{i}{4} (\beta'_B + i\epsilon) \sigma' s b_\perp^2 e^\gamma \right) + \alpha_s(\mu_\sigma) \ln \left( -\frac{i}{4} (\beta_B + i\epsilon) \sigma s b_\perp^2 e^\gamma \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\mu_{\sigma'}^2 \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\sigma' |\beta'_B| s}{\Delta_\perp^2}} \quad \mu_\sigma^2 \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\sigma |\beta_B| s}{\Delta_\perp^2}}$$

$$b_\perp \equiv \Delta_\perp = (x - y)_\perp$$

The effective argument of a coupling constant is halfway in the logarithmic scale between the transverse momentum and energy of TMD distribution.

## Solving evolution equation with running coupling

$$b_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( \frac{11}{3} N_c - \frac{2}{3} n_f \right)$$

$$\sigma \frac{d}{d\sigma} = -\frac{b_0}{2} \alpha^2(\mu_\sigma) \frac{d}{d\alpha(\mu_\sigma)}$$

(and similarly for  $\sigma' \frac{d}{d\sigma'}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \alpha^2(\mu_\sigma) \frac{d}{d\alpha(\mu_\sigma)} + \alpha^2(\mu_{\sigma'}) \frac{d}{d\alpha(\mu_{\sigma'})} \right) \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(\beta_B, y_\perp) \\ &= -\frac{2c_F}{\pi b_0^2} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'})}{\alpha_s(\tilde{b}_\perp^{-1})} + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_\sigma)}{\alpha_s(\tilde{b}_\perp^{-1})} - 2 \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{b_0 \alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'})}{2} \ln[-i(\tau'_B + i\epsilon)] - \frac{b_0 \alpha_s(\mu_\sigma)}{2} \ln[-i(\tau_B + i\epsilon)] \right\} \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(\beta_B, y_\perp) \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{b}_\perp^2 = \frac{b_\perp^2}{2} e^{\gamma/2} \quad \text{and} \quad \tau_B = \frac{\beta_B}{|\beta_B|}, \quad \tau'_B = \frac{\beta'_B}{|\beta'_B|}$$

## Solution with running coupling

$$\begin{aligned} & \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^\sigma(\beta_B, y_\perp) \\ &= \exp \left\{ -\frac{2c_F}{\pi b_0^2} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\tilde{b}_\perp^{-1})} - \frac{b_0}{2} \ln[-i(\tau'_B + i\epsilon)] \right) \ln \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'})}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'_0})} + \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'})} - \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'_0})} \right] \right\} \\ & \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{2c_F}{\pi b_0^2} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\tilde{b}_\perp^{-1})} - \frac{b_0}{2} \ln[-i(\tau_B + i\epsilon)] \right) \ln \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_\sigma)}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma_0})} + \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu_\sigma)} - \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma_0})} \right] \right\} \\ & \times \bar{\psi}^{\sigma'_0}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \Gamma \psi^{\sigma_0}(\beta_B, y_\perp) \end{aligned}$$

Like in LO, Sudakov evolution looks like two independent exponential factors which describe two independent evolutions of operators

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# Quark loop contribution from light-cone expansion

Background field on the mass shell

$$\Psi(z^+) = \int d\beta_B e^{-i\varrho\beta_B z^+} \Psi(\beta_B)$$

the  $x^+$  dependence is power-suppressed so we can take  $x^+ = y^+$  from the beginning:

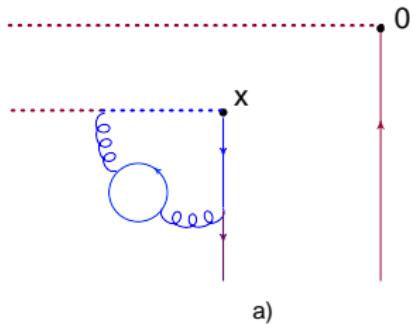
$$\begin{aligned} \sigma \frac{d}{d\sigma} & \langle [y^+, -\infty]_x [-\infty, y^+]_y \Gamma \psi(y^+, y_\perp, -\delta^-) \rangle_\Psi \\ &= -\delta^- \frac{d}{d\delta^-} \langle [y^+, -\infty]_x [-\infty, y^+]_y \Gamma \psi(y^+, y_\perp, -\delta^-) \rangle_\Psi^{\text{Fig1a-c loop}} \end{aligned}$$

In this case, all relevant distances are space-like so we can replace product of operators in the matrix element in the l.h.s. by T-product.

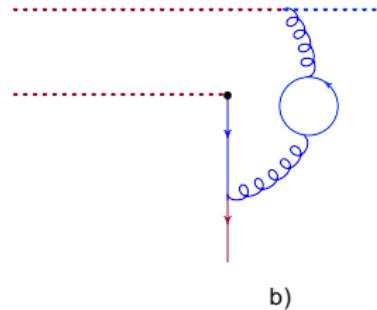
$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{b\alpha_s^2 c_F} \delta^- \frac{d}{d\delta^-} \langle T\{[0^+, -\infty]_x [-\infty, 0^+]_0 \Gamma \psi(0^+, 0_\perp, -\delta^-)\} \rangle_\Psi^{\text{Fig1a-c loop}} \\ &= 2\delta^- \frac{d}{d\delta^-} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^0 dz^+ (z^+, x_\perp) \left| \frac{\ln \frac{\tilde{\mu}^2}{-p^2}}{p^2} \Gamma \Psi \frac{p^-}{p^2} \right| 0^+, -\delta^-, 0_\perp \right] - (x_\perp \rightarrow 0) \end{aligned}$$

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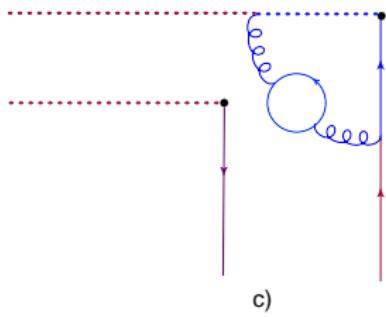
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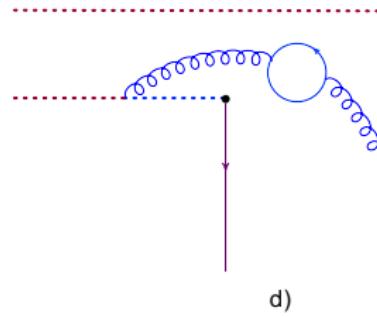
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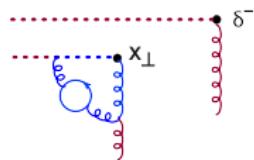


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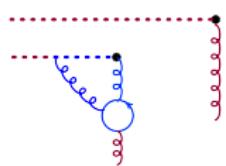


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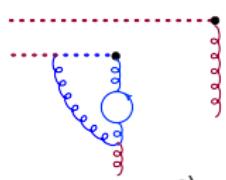
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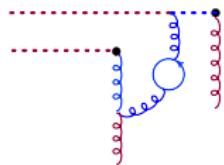
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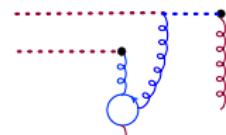
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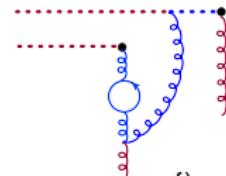
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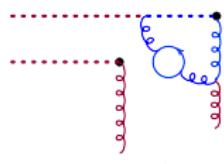
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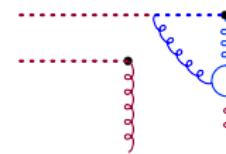
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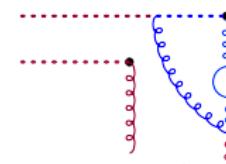
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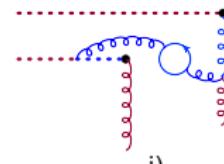
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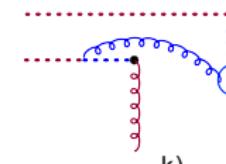
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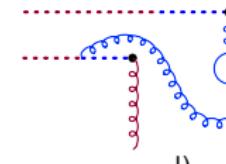
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$$\begin{aligned}
& \left( \sigma \frac{d}{d\sigma} + \sigma' \frac{d}{d\sigma'} \right) \mathcal{F}^{i,a;\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_i^{a;\sigma}(\beta_B, y_\perp) \\
&= -\frac{N_c}{2\pi} \mathcal{F}^{i,a;\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_i^{a;\sigma}(\beta_B, y_\perp) \\
&\times \left[ \alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'}) \ln \left( -\frac{i}{4} (\beta'_B + i\epsilon) \sigma' s b_\perp^2 e^\gamma \right) + \alpha_s(\mu_\sigma) \ln \left( -\frac{i}{4} (\beta_B + i\epsilon) \sigma s b_\perp^2 e^\gamma \right) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

The solution of this equation is the same as for quark with  $c_F \rightarrow N_c$  replacement

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{F}^{i,a;\sigma'}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_i^{a;\sigma}(\beta_B, y_\perp) \\
& \times e^{-\frac{2N_c}{\pi b_0^2} \left[ \ln \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'})}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'_0})} \left( \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\tilde{b}_\perp^{-1})} + \ln[-i(\tau'_B + i\epsilon)] \right) + \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'})} - \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma'_0})} \right]} \\
& \times e^{-\frac{2N_c}{\pi b_0^2} \left[ \ln \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_\sigma)}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma_0})} \left( \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\tilde{b}_\perp^{-1})} + \ln[-i(\tau_B + i\epsilon)] \right) + \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu_\sigma)} - \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\sigma_0})} \right]} \mathcal{F}^{i,a;\sigma'_0}(\beta'_B, x_\perp) \mathcal{F}_i^{a;\sigma_0}(\beta_B, y_\perp)
\end{aligned}$$

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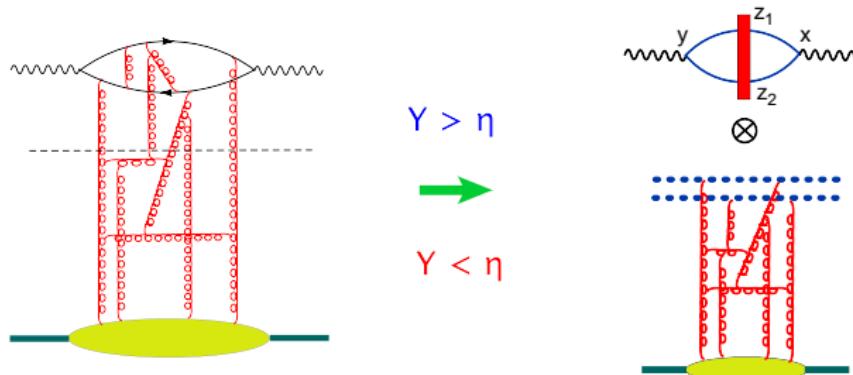
## Conclusions

- The conformal TMD group has been obtained: it is made out of 11 generators of the full conformal group.
- We obtained conformal evolution of gluon and quark TMDs in the Sudakov region.
- quark and gluon TMD evolution equation with running coupling
  - ▶ The effective argument of a coupling constant is halfway in the logarithmic scale between the transverse momentum and energy of TMD distribution.

- Conformal properties of TMD evolution in the small-x region.
- Conformal evolution for all  $x_B$ .
- The plan is to perform the calculation for 6 point function similarly to the one done for the 4 point function in  $\mathcal{N}=4$  and in QCD.

# High-Energy Operator Product Expansion

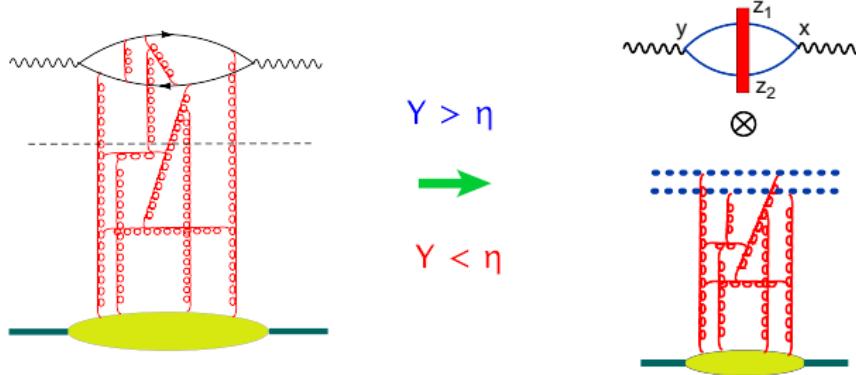
DIS amplitude is factorized in rapidity:  $\eta$



$|B\rangle$  is the target state.

$$\langle B | T\{\hat{j}_\mu(x)\hat{j}_\nu(y)\} | B \rangle = \int \frac{d^2 z_1 d^2 z_2}{z_{12}^4} I_{\mu\nu}^{\text{LO}}(x, y; z_1, z_2) \langle B | \text{tr}\{\hat{U}_{z_1}^\eta \hat{U}_{z_2}^{\dagger\eta}\} | B \rangle + \dots$$

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Rapidity Regularization:

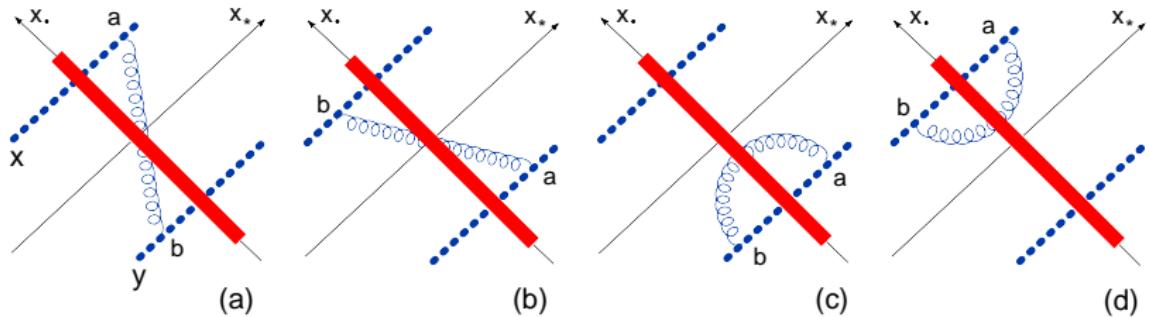
$$A_\mu^\eta(x) = \int d^4 k \theta(e^\eta - |k^+|) e^{-ik \cdot x} A_\mu(k)$$

$$d^n k \equiv \frac{d^n k}{(2\pi)^n}$$

# Leading order: BK equation

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# Balitsky-Kovchegov equation

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- LLA for DIS in pQCD  $\Rightarrow$  BFKL
  - ▶ (LLA:  $\alpha_s \ll 1, \alpha_s \eta \sim 1$ ): describes proliferation of gluons.
- LLA for DIS in semi-classical-QCD  $\Rightarrow$  BK eqn
  - ▶ background field method: describes recombination process.

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$\Rightarrow$  The dipole kernel is invariant under the inversion  $V(x_\perp) = U(x_\perp/x_\perp^2)$

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## Conformal 4-point function in $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM in the Regge limit

In a conformal theory the amplitude of **4-point functions** depends on two conformal ratios which can be chosen as

$$R = \frac{(x - x')^2(y - y')^2}{(x - y)^2(x' - y')^2} \xrightarrow{\text{Regge limit}} 0$$

$$r = R \left[ 1 - \frac{(x - y')^2(y - x')^2}{(x - x')^2(y - y')^2} + \frac{1}{R} \right]^2 \xrightarrow{\text{Regge limit}} \text{fixed}$$

# Conformal 4-point function in $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM in the Regge limit

Cornalba (2007)

Provides general structure of the 4-point function in the regge limit as an integral over one real variable  $\nu$

$$\langle \{\mathcal{S}(z_1^-, z_{1\perp}) \mathcal{S}(z_2^-, z_{2\perp}) \mathcal{S}(x^+, x_\perp) \mathcal{S}(y^+, y_\perp)\} \rangle = \int d\nu \Phi(r, \nu) F(\nu) R^{\frac{1}{2}\omega(\nu)}$$

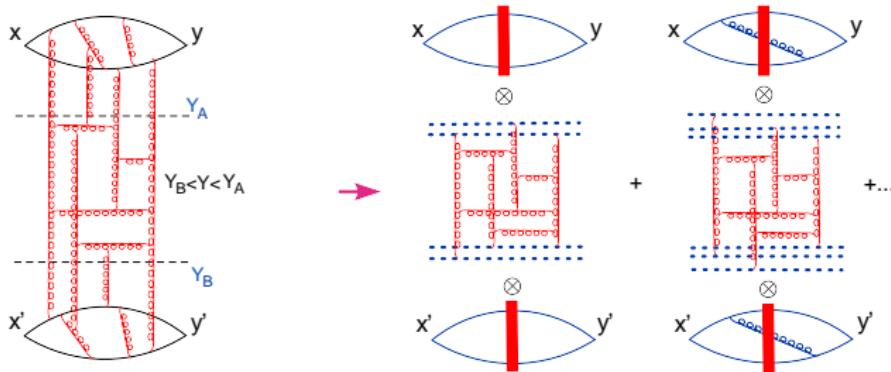
$$\mathcal{S} \equiv \frac{4\pi^2 \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{N_c^2 - 1}} \text{Tr}\{Z^2\} \quad (Z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\phi_1 + i\phi_2)) \text{ renorm-invariant operator}$$

- $\omega(\nu) \equiv \omega(0, \nu)$  is the pomeron intercept.
- $F(\nu)$  is the “pomeron residue”.
- $\Phi(r, \nu)$  some function of  $\nu$  and the conformal ratio r.

Explicit calculation of the 4-point function in the Regge limit at NLLO

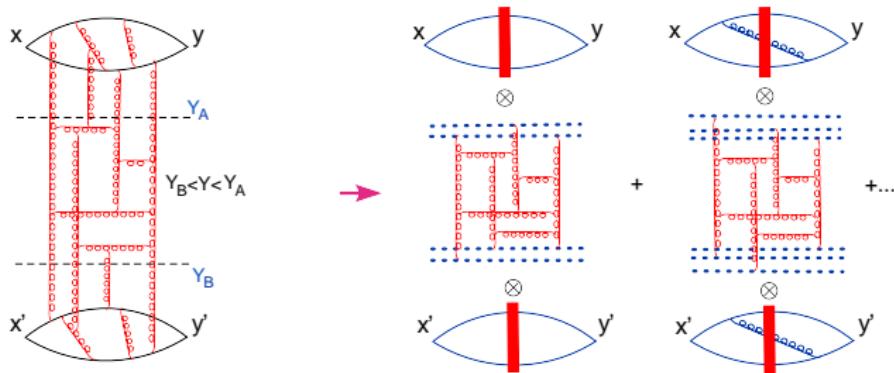


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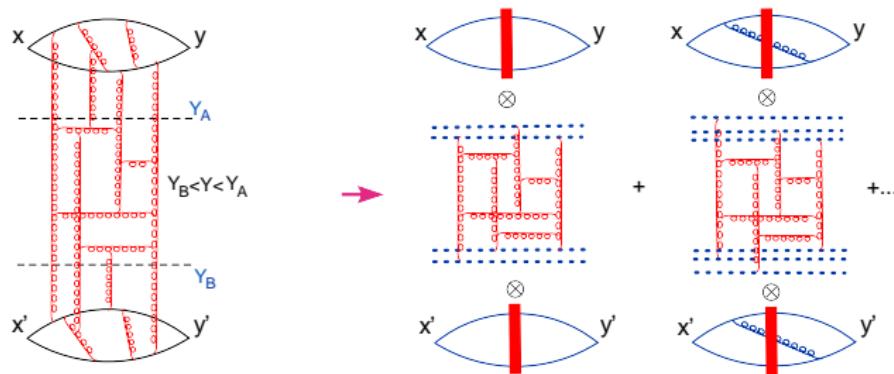
4-point function at NLO in the Regge limit using conformal composite dipole in Wilson line.

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- $F(\nu)$  Pomeron residue (Impact factor) at NLO in  $\mathcal{N}=4$  SYM and QCD  
I. Balitsky and G.A.C. (2009)
- NLO Pomeron intercept  $\omega(\nu)$ 
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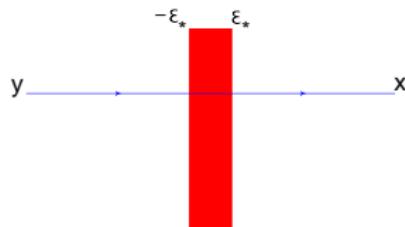
$$\begin{aligned} & \langle T\{\mathcal{S}(x)\mathcal{S}^\dagger(y)\mathcal{S}(x')\mathcal{S}^\dagger(y')\}\rangle \\ &= \int d^2 z_{1\perp} d^2 z_{2\perp} d^2 z'_{1\perp} d^2 z'_{2\perp} \text{IF}^{a_0}(x, y; z_1, z_2) [\text{DD}]^{a_0, b_0}(z_1, z_2; z'_1, z'_2) \text{IF}^{b_0}(x', y'; z'_1, z'_2) \end{aligned}$$

in QCD: NLO  $\gamma^*\gamma^*$  cross section

G.A.C. and Yu. Kovchegov (2015)

# Getting the interpolating evolution equation

Shock-wave with finite width



$$\begin{aligned} A^-(x_\bullet, x^+, x_\perp) &\rightarrow \lambda A^-(\lambda^{-1}x_\bullet, \lambda x^+, x_\perp) \\ A^+(x_\bullet, x^+, x_\perp) &\rightarrow \lambda^{-1} A^+(\lambda^{-1}x_\bullet, \lambda x^+, x_\perp) \\ A_\perp(x_\bullet, x^+, x_\perp) &\rightarrow A_\perp(\lambda^{-1}x_\bullet, \lambda x^+, x_\perp) \end{aligned}$$

$\lambda$  is the boost parameter

- small  $k^+$  gluons are **classical** fields      large  $k^+$  gluons are **quantum** fields.
- Long. size **classical fields**:  $\epsilon^+ \sim \frac{k^+}{l_\perp^2}$     with     $l_\perp$  trans. mom. of classical fields
- Distance traveled by **quantum fields**:  $z^+ \sim \frac{k^+}{k_\perp^2}$     with     $k_\perp$  trans. mom. of quantum fields
- Shock wave:  $l_\perp \sim k_\perp$
- Light-cone expansion:  $l_\perp \ll k_\perp$

# Rapidity evolution of Gluon TMD operator

Gluon TMD  $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_i^{a\eta}(z_{1\perp}, x_B) \mathcal{F}^{a\eta}(z_{2\perp}, x_B)$

$$(\mathcal{F}^{i,a}(z_\perp, z^+))^\sigma \equiv g F^{-i,m}(z) [\text{P} e^{ig \int_{-\infty}^{z^+} dz^+ A^{-,\sigma}(up_1 + x_\perp)}]^{ma},$$

$$A_\mu^\sigma(x) = \int \frac{d^4 k}{16\pi^4} \theta\left(\frac{\sigma\sqrt{2}}{z_{12\perp}} - |k^+|\right) e^{-ik\cdot x} A_\mu(k)$$

Typical LO diagrams



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$$m_X^2 = q^2 \equiv Q^2 \quad \text{Sudakov region: } Q \gg q_\perp \gg 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{Sudakov region in coord. space: } z_{12\parallel}^2 \equiv 2z_{12}^- z_{12}^+ \ll z_{12\perp}^2$$

Typical LO diagrams



To calculate these diagrams the approximation is:  $k^+ \gg \frac{z_{12}^+}{z_{12\perp}^2}$

Sudakov evolution: transverse separation between the gluon operators  $\mathcal{F}_i$  and  $\mathcal{F}_j$  does not change while the longitudinal one increases.

# Rapidity evolution at leading in Sudakov region

$$\mathcal{O}^{\sigma_2}(z_1^+, z_2^+) = \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \int_{\frac{z_{12\perp}}{\sigma_1\sqrt{2}}}^{\frac{z_{12\perp}}{\sigma_2\sqrt{2}}} \frac{dk^+}{k^+} K \mathcal{O}^{\sigma_1}(z_1^+, z_2^+)$$

where the kernel  $K$  is given by

$$K \mathcal{O}(z_1^+, z_2^+) = \mathcal{O}(z_1^+, z_2^+) \int_{-\infty}^{z_1^+} \frac{dz^+}{z_2^+ - z^+} e^{-i \frac{z_{12\perp}\sigma}{\sqrt{2}(z_2-z)^+}} + \mathcal{O}(z_1^+, z_2^+) \int_{-\infty}^{z_2^+} \frac{dz^+}{z_1^+ - z^+} e^{i \frac{z_{12\perp}\sigma}{\sqrt{2}(z_1-z)^+}}$$
$$- \int_{-\infty}^{z_1^+} dz^+ \frac{\mathcal{O}(z_1^+, z_2^+) - \mathcal{O}(z^+, z_2^+)}{z_1^+ - z^+} - \int_{-\infty}^{z_2^+} dz^+ \frac{\mathcal{O}(z_1^+, z_2^+) - \mathcal{O}(z_1^+, z^+)}{z_2^+ - z^+}$$

# Solution of the evolution equation

To solve the evolution equation, perform Fourier transform

$$Ke^{-ik^-z_1^++ik'^-z_2^+} = \left[ -2\ln\sigma z_{12\perp} - \ln(ik^-) - \ln(-ik'^-) + \ln 2 - 4\gamma_E + O\left(\frac{z_{12}^+}{z_{12\perp}\sigma}\right) \right] e^{-ik^-z_1^++ik'^-z_2^+}$$

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I. Balitsky and G.A.C (2019)

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Result transform covariantly under the TMD-conformal group generators except the Lorentz boost  $M^{+-}$  which is the generator of the evolution equation: The Lorentz boost in  $z$  direction changes the cutoffs for the evolution.

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- $\langle p_A | \tilde{\mathcal{O}} | p_A \rangle \rightarrow \langle p_A | \tilde{\mathcal{O}} | p_A \rangle \exp\{-4\lambda\bar{\alpha}_s \ln \frac{z_{12\parallel}^2}{z_{12\perp}^2}\}$  Projectile

So the amplitude is invariant:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle p_A, p_B | g^2 F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu}(z_1) g^2 F_{\lambda\rho}^b F^{b\lambda\rho}(z_2) | p_A, p_B \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{N_c^2 - 1} \langle p_A | \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_{ij}(z_1^-, z_{1\perp}; z_2^-, z_{2\perp}) | p_A \rangle^{\sigma_A} \langle p_B | \mathcal{O}^{ij}(z_1^+, z_{1\perp}; z_2^+, z_{2\perp}) | p_B \rangle^{\sigma_B} \end{aligned}$$

# Comparing with conventional TMD analysis

Evolution for generalized TMD     $\xi = \frac{p_B - p'_B}{\sqrt{2s}}$

$$D^\sigma(x_B, \xi) = \int dz^+ e^{-ix_B \sqrt{\frac{s}{2}} z^+} \langle p'_B | \mathcal{O}^\sigma \left( -\frac{z^+}{2}, \frac{z^+}{2} \right) | p_B \rangle$$

From our result we get

$$\frac{D^{\sigma_2}(x, \xi)}{D^{\sigma_1}(x, \xi)} = e^{-2\bar{\alpha}_s \ln \frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1} [\ln \sigma_2 \sigma_1 (x^2 - \xi^2) s z_{12\perp}^2 + 4\gamma_E - 2 \ln 2]}$$

For usual TMD at  $\xi = 0$  with the limits of Sudakov evolution one obtains

$$\frac{D^{\sigma_2}(x, q_\perp)}{D^{\sigma_1}(x, q_\perp)} = e^{-2\bar{\alpha}_s \ln \frac{q_\perp^2}{q_\perp^2} [\ln \frac{q_\perp^2}{q_\perp^2} + 4\gamma_E - 2 \ln 2]}$$

- Coincides with usual one-loop evolution of TMDs up to replacement  $4\gamma_E - 2 \ln 2 \rightarrow 4\gamma_E - 4 \ln 2$ .
- constant depends on the way of cutting  $k^+$ -integration which should be coordinated with the cutoffs in the “coefficient function”  $\sigma(f f \rightarrow H)$ 
  - ▶ The discrepancy is just like using two different schemes for usual renormalization.

## Going beyond the Sudakov approximation

Sudakov:  $Q \gg q_\perp$ ; in coord. space  $(x - y)_\perp^2 \gg (x - y)_\parallel^2$

- $x_B \sim 1$  and  $q_\perp \sim m_N$ 
  - ▶ The relative energy between Wilson-line operators  $\mathcal{F}$  and target nucleon at the final point of the evolution is  $\sim m_N^2$  so one should use phenomenological models of TMDs with this low rapidity cutoff as a starting point of the evolution.
- $x_B \ll 1$ 
  - ▶ This relative energy is within  $\frac{q_\perp^2}{x_B s} > \sigma > \frac{m_N^2}{s}$  beyond Sudakov region into the low-x region: the TMD operator, known as Weierzsäcker-Williams distribution, will produce a of color dipoles as a result of the non-linear evolution. The transition between Sudakov region and small-x region is described by rather complicated interpolation formula. In coordinate space this means the study of the operator  $\mathcal{O}$  at  $z_\parallel^2 \sim z_\perp^2$ . Conformal invariance may help us obtain the TMD evolution in that region.