

NLO calculation for inclusive back-to-back dihadron in DIS in the saturation regime

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Why is TMD factorisation at small x interesting?

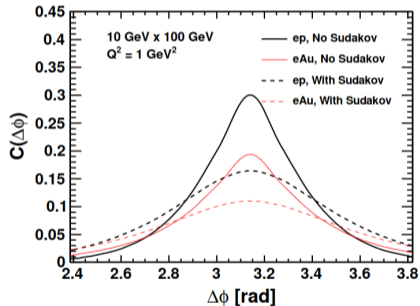
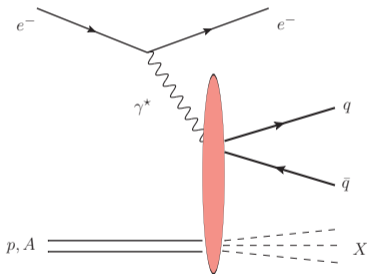
- Study the matching between small x and moderate x .
⇒ relevant for EIC phenomenology since x_g not necessarily $\ll \mathcal{O}(0.01)$.
- Simplify the numerical evaluation of cross-sections at small x .
⇒ TMDs are in general easier to evaluate than CGC correlators of Wilson lines.
- Provide analytic expressions for the various TMDs in the saturation regime.
⇒ give pQCD motivated initial conditions to CSS evolution.

Outline

- TMD factorisation well established at LO for many processes at small x .
 $pA \rightarrow H + X$, $pA \rightarrow \gamma j + X$, $eA \rightarrow j + X$, $eA \rightarrow jj + X$, etc
- Improve the state of the art to NLO / NLO+Sudakov resummation. In this talk:
 - dihadron production in DIS
 - single-inclusive jet production in DIS. (*if enough time*)

Back-to-back di-jets in DIS

⇒ access to the Weizsäcker-Williams gluon TMD $G(x, \mathbf{q}_\perp)$ in the back-to-back limit.

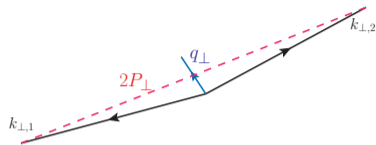


[Zheng, Aschenauer, Lee, Xiao, PRD 89 (2014) 7]

⇒ Similar pheno signal of saturation as in pA, cf **STAR results and Zilong Chang's talk.**

Kinematics and LO cross-section

- Def: $|\mathbf{P}_\perp| = |z_2 \mathbf{k}_{\perp,1} - z_1 \mathbf{k}_{\perp,2}| \gg |\mathbf{q}_\perp| = |\mathbf{k}_{\perp,1} + \mathbf{k}_{\perp,2}|$



- In this limit, LO CGC x-section yields TMD factorization [Dominguez, Marquet, Xiao, Yuan, PRD 83 (2011)]

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma^{\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}+X}}{d^2\mathbf{P}_\perp d^2\mathbf{q}_\perp} \right|_{\text{LO}} \propto \mathcal{H}^{ij}(\mathbf{P}_\perp) G^{ij}(x, \mathbf{q}_\perp) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{q_\perp}{P_\perp}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q_s}{P_\perp}\right)$$

See also [del Castillo, Echevarria, Makris, Scimemi, JHEP 01 (2021) 088]

- $G(x, \mathbf{q}_\perp)$: WW gluon TMD

$$G^{ij}(x, \mathbf{q}_\perp) = \frac{-2}{\alpha_s} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{b}_\perp d^2\mathbf{b}'_\perp}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-i\mathbf{q}_\perp \cdot (\mathbf{b}_\perp - \mathbf{b}'_\perp)} \langle \text{Tr} [\partial^i V^\dagger(\mathbf{b}_\perp) V(\mathbf{b}'_\perp) \partial^j V^\dagger(\mathbf{b}'_\perp) V(\mathbf{b}_\perp)] \rangle_x$$

\Rightarrow can be obtained from the usual operator definition by taking the limit $x \rightarrow 0$.

Dominant NLO contributions

- High energy logs $\ln(1/x_g)$, with $x_g = (M_{q\bar{q}}^2 + Q^2)/(W^2 + Q^2)$.
 \Rightarrow resummed via JIMWLK evolution of $G(x, \mathbf{q}_\perp)$.
- Sudakov logarithms $\ln^2(P_\perp^2/q_\perp^2)$, $\ln(P_\perp^2/q_\perp^2)$
 \Rightarrow first computed at DLA in [Mueller, Xiao, Yuan, PRD 88 (2013)],
 calculation revisited in more details in [Taels, Altinoluk, Beuf, Marquet, JHEP 10 (2022) 184 and PC, Salazar, Schenke, Venugopalan, JHEP 11 (2022) 169]
 \Rightarrow resummed in a Sudakov soft factor/CSS evolution of the WW gluon TMD.

TMD factorisation at NLO for back-to-back dijet production at small x

[PC, Salazar, Schenke, Stebel, Venugopalan, PRL 132 (8), 081902]

$$\langle d\sigma_{\text{NLO}}^\lambda \rangle_{x_f} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{LO}}^{\lambda,ii} \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}_{bb'}}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-i\mathbf{q}_\perp \cdot \mathbf{r}_{bb'}} \hat{G}^0(x_f, \mathbf{r}_{bb'})$$

$$\times \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_R)}{\pi} \left[-\frac{N_c}{4} \ln^2 \left(\frac{\mathbf{P}_\perp^2 \mathbf{r}_{bb'}^2}{c_0^2} \right) - s_L \ln \left(\frac{\mathbf{P}_\perp^2 \mathbf{r}_{bb'}^2}{c_0^2} \right) \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \left. + \beta_0 \ln \left(\frac{\mu_R^2 \mathbf{r}_{bb'}^2}{c_0^2} \right) + \mathcal{C}^\lambda(Q/M_{q\bar{q}}, z_1, R, x_f/x_g) \right] \right\}$$

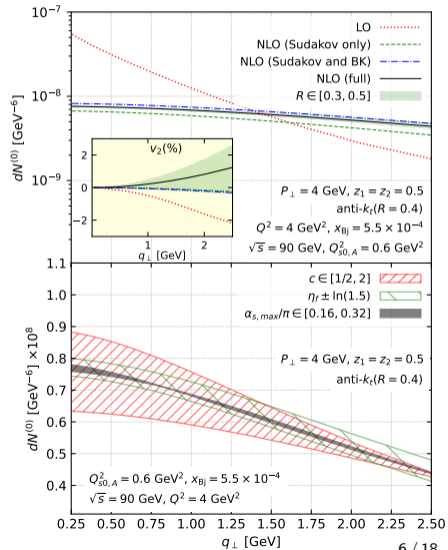
- x_f dependence of the gluon TMD given by collinearly improved BK-JIMWLK evolution (or collinear improved BFKL in the limit $q_\perp \gg Q_s$).

Orthogonal approach to small- x improved DGLAP, cf [Federico Silvetti talk](#).

- First line should be exponentiated à la CSS to resum large double and single Sudakov logs.

- $s_L = -C_F \ln(z_1 z_2) + N_c \ln(1 + Q^2/M_{q\bar{q}}^2) - C_F \ln(R^2)$

⇒ agreement with [[Hatta, Xiao, Yuan, Zhou, PRD 104 \(2021\) 5](#)]



What about dihadron production?

- Instead of measuring two jets, measure two back-to-back hadrons.
- Phenomenologically more interesting at the EIC, as P_{\perp} can be smaller, $\mathcal{O}(1)$ GeV.
- For dihadron, final state collinear divergence is canceled by the DGLAP evolution of the collinear fragmentation function.
- Schematically, after rapidity factorisation thanks to collinearly improved BK-JIMWLK,

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\gamma^*+A \rightarrow h_1 h_2 + X}}{d^2 \mathbf{k}_{h1\perp} d^2 \mathbf{k}_{h2\perp} d\eta_{h1} d\eta_{h2}} \Big|_{\text{NLO}} = \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_1}{\zeta_1^2} \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_2}{\zeta_2^2} D_{h_1/q}(\zeta_1, \mu_F^2) D_{h_2/q}(\zeta_2, \mu_F^2)$$

$$\times \left[\frac{d\sigma^{\gamma^*+A \rightarrow q\bar{q}+X}}{d^2 \mathbf{k}_{1\perp} d^2 \mathbf{k}_{2\perp} d\eta_1 d\eta_2} \Big|_{\text{LO}} + \underbrace{\alpha_s \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{k}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{k}_{2\perp}, Z_1, Z_2; x_f, \mu_F)}_{\text{finite NLO impact factor}} \right]_{k_i^\mu = k_{h,i}^\mu / \zeta_i}$$

[See Bergabo, Jalilian-Marian, JHEP 01 (2023) 095], Fucilla, Grabovsky, Li, Szymanowski, Wallon, JHEP 03 (2023) 159 (diffractive case)]

Sudakov double logs in dihadron production

[PC, Salazar, arXiv:2405.19404]

- The limit $P_\perp \gg q_\perp$ of the NLO impact factor \mathcal{I} contains the leading double Sudakov logarithm:

$$\alpha_s \mathcal{I} = -\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \left[\frac{C_F}{4} + \frac{C_F}{4} + \frac{N_c}{4} \right] \ln^2 \left(\frac{P_\perp^2 r_{bb'}^2}{c_0^2} \right) + \dots$$

- Sudakov double log **differs** from the dijet case via the two red $C_F/4$ coefficients.
- Physical interpretation: in-cone gluon radiations now contribute to the imbalance. For $R^2 \sim q_\perp/P_\perp$, dijet \sim dihadron.



NLO result in the TMD limit

- The back-to-back limit of the NLO impact factor for dihadron production gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma^{\gamma^*+A \rightarrow h_1 h_2 + X, (0)}}{d^2 \mathbf{k}_{h1\perp} d^2 \mathbf{k}_{h2\perp} d\eta_{h1} d\eta_{h2}} \Big|_{\text{NLO}} &= \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_1}{\zeta_1^2} \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_2}{\zeta_2^2} D_{h_2/\bar{q}}(\zeta_2, \mu_F^2) D_{h_1/q}(\zeta_1, \mu_F^2) \\ &\times \mathcal{H}_{\text{LO}}^{\lambda, 0} \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{b}_\perp d^2 \mathbf{b}'_\perp}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-i\mathbf{q}_\perp \cdot \mathbf{r}_{bb'}} \hat{G}^0(\mathbf{x}_f, \mathbf{r}_{bb'}) \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \left\{ - \left[\frac{C_F}{2} + \frac{N_c}{4} \right] \ln^2 \left(\frac{\mathbf{P}_\perp^2 \mathbf{r}_{bb'}^2}{c_0^2} \right) \right. \\ &\left. + \left[C_F \left(\ln(z_1 z_2) + \frac{3}{2} \right) - N_c \ln(1 + \chi^2) \right] \ln \left(\frac{\mathbf{P}_\perp^2 \mathbf{r}_{bb'}^2}{c_0^2} \right) + \mathcal{C}_{\text{MS}}^\lambda \left(\frac{x_g}{x_f}, \frac{\mu_F r_{bb'}}{c_0}; Q/M_{q\bar{q}}, z_1, z_2 \right) \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

- Single log computed as well, different from the jet case.
- No large logs in $\mathcal{C}_{\text{MS}}^\lambda$.

Resummation of new double log requires TMD fragmentation function!

- Preserve the universality of the Sudakov factor for the WW gluon TMD.
- Promote the collinear FF into TMD one.

$$D_{h/q}(z, \mu_F) \rightarrow \bar{D}_{h/q}(z, \mathbf{q}_\perp; \mu_F, \xi)$$

- CSS evolution with ξ of the TMD fragmentation function takes care of the new double logs! In coordinate space,

$$\bar{D}_{h/q}(\zeta, \mathbf{r}_{bb'}; \mu_F, P_\perp) = D_{h/q}(\zeta, \mu_F) \exp \left(-\frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \int_{c_0^2/r_{bb'}^2}^{P_\perp^2} \frac{d\mu^2}{\mu^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} \right) - \frac{3}{4} \right] \right)$$

with $\mu_F \sim c_0/r_{bb'} \sim q_\perp$.

- DGLAP evolution of FF from $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) \rightarrow \mu_F \sim c_0/r_{bb'}$ and CSS evolution from $c_0/r_{bb'} \rightarrow P_\perp$.

Final NLO+resummation result for back-to-back dihadron in DIS

- Resummed expression $d\sigma = \mathcal{H} \otimes G_{\text{WW}} \otimes \bar{D}_{h_1/q} \otimes \bar{D}_{h_2/\bar{q}}$ involves 3 resummations:
 - small x + CSS evolution of $\hat{G}^0(x_f, \mathbf{r}_{bb'}; P_\perp)$
 - DGLAP + CSS evolution of $\bar{D}_{h/q}(\zeta, \mathbf{r}_{bb'}; \mu_F, P_\perp)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma^{\gamma^*+A \rightarrow h_1 h_2 + X} \Big|_{\text{NLO}} &= \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_1}{\zeta_1^2} \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_2}{\zeta_2^2} \mathcal{H}_{\text{LO}}^\lambda(\mathbf{P}_\perp, Q, z_1, z_2) \\
 &\times \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{b}_\perp d^2 \mathbf{b}'_\perp}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-i\mathbf{q}_\perp \cdot \mathbf{r}_{bb'}} \hat{G}^0(x_f, \mathbf{r}_{bb'}; P_\perp) \bar{D}_{h_2/\bar{q}}(\zeta_2, \mathbf{r}_{bb'}; \mu_F, P_\perp) \bar{D}_{h_1/q}(\zeta_1, \mathbf{r}_{bb'}; \mu_F, P_\perp) \\
 &\times \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \mathcal{C}_{\overline{\text{MS}}}^\lambda \left(\frac{x_g}{x_f}, \frac{\mu_F r_{bb'}}{c_0}; Q/M_{q\bar{q}}, z_1, z_2 \right) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

- NLO coefficient function in $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme $\mathcal{C}_{\overline{\text{MS}}}^\lambda$ analytically known.
 \Rightarrow straightforward (future) numerical implementation.

Single inclusive jet production in DIS

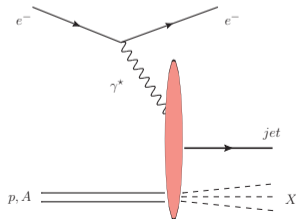
[PC, Iancu, Mueller, Yuan, 2408.03129]

⇒ Measure **jets** in DIS events and bin in terms of P_{\perp} measured in Breit or dipole frame:

$$\frac{d\sigma^{eA \rightarrow e' + \text{jet} + X}}{dx_{Bj} dQ^2 dP_{\perp}}$$

⇒ In the case of a hadron measurement, see **Cyrille Marquet's talk on Monday**.

⇒ Also accesses the sea quark TMD at small x in the limit $Q^2 \gg P_{\perp}^2$.

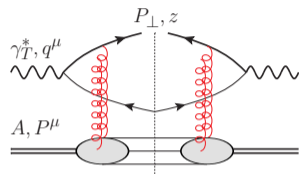


TMD factorisation in SIDIS at LO

For $Q^2 \gg P_{\perp}^2$, the small x expression [Mueller (1990), Nikolaev and Zakharov (1991)]

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma_{\text{CGC}}^{\gamma_T^* A \rightarrow \text{jet}+X}}{d^2\mathbf{P}_{\perp} dz} \right|_{\text{LO}} = \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}} e_f^2 N_c}{(2\pi)^4} 2[z^2 + (1-z)^2] \int_{\mathbf{b}_{\perp}, r_{xy}, r_{x'y}} e^{-i\mathbf{P}_{\perp} \cdot (r_{xy} - r_{x'y})} \langle 1 - D_{yx'} - D_{xy} + D_{xx'} \rangle_x$$

$$\times \bar{Q}^2 K_1(\bar{Q} r_{x'y}) K_1(\bar{Q} r_{xy}) \frac{r_{x'y} \cdot r_{xy}}{r_{x'y} r_{xy}}, \text{ with } \bar{Q}^2 = z(1-z)Q^2$$



⇒ factorises in terms of the (sea) quark TMD depending, which itself depends on the gluon dipole $\mathcal{D}(x, \mathbf{q}_{\perp})$ [Marquet, Xiao, Yuan, PLB 682, 207 (2009)]

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma^{\gamma_T^*+A \rightarrow \text{jet}+X}}{d^2\mathbf{P}_{\perp}} \right|_{\text{LO}} = \frac{8\pi^2 \alpha_{\text{em}} e_f^2}{Q^2} \times \underbrace{\frac{N_c}{\pi^2} \int_{\mathbf{b}_{\perp}} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{q}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \mathcal{D}(x, \mathbf{q}_{\perp}) \left[1 - \frac{\mathbf{P}_{\perp} \cdot (\mathbf{P}_{\perp} - \mathbf{q}_{\perp})}{(P_{\perp}^2 - (\mathbf{P}_{\perp} - \mathbf{q}_{\perp})^2)} \ln \frac{P_{\perp}^2}{(\mathbf{P}_{\perp} - \mathbf{q}_{\perp})^2} \right]}_{\text{sea quark TMD}}$$

⇒ is dominated by aligned jet configurations, i.e. $1-z \sim \mathbf{P}_{\perp}^2/Q^2$ or $z \sim \mathbf{P}_{\perp}^2/Q^2$.

Outline of the NLO computation

- NLO calculation at small x for general **jet** kinematics performed in [PC, Ferrand, Salazar, JHEP 05 (2024) 110].

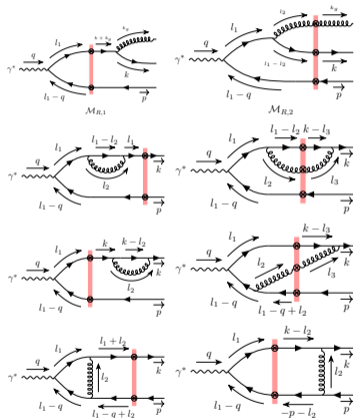
For single hadron, see [Bergabo, Jalilian-Marian, JHEP 01 (2023) 095 (inclusive),
Fucilla, Grabovsky, Li, Szymanowski, Wallon, JHEP 02 (2024) 165 (diffractive)]

- Compute the NLO impact factor in the limit $Q^2 \gg P_{\perp}^2 \gg Q_s^2$.

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma_{\text{CGC}}^{\gamma_T^* + A \rightarrow q + X}}{d^2\mathbf{P}_{\perp}} \right|_{\text{NLO}} = \left. \frac{d\sigma_{\text{CGC}}^{\gamma_T^* + A \rightarrow q + X}}{d^2\mathbf{P}_{\perp}} \right|_{\text{LO}} \left[1 + \alpha_s \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{P}_{\perp}, Q, R, x_f) \right]$$

- High energy factorisation with collinearly improved BK/BFKL. [Altinoluk, Jalilian-Marian, Marquet, 2406.08277]

- NLO impact factor depends on the **jet definition**.



NLO Feynman graphs

Jet definition in DIS

- Several jet definitions are possible in DIS.
- Not all of them ensure factorisation of the fully inclusive **jet** cross section.

[Catani, Dokshitzer, Webber, PLB 285, 291 (1992), Webber, J. Phys. G 19, 1567 (1993)]

- Same phenomenon arises for TMD factorisation.

Jet def	distance measure	dipole frame NLO clustering condition ($R \ll 1$)
LI C/A	$d_{ij} = \frac{\Delta R_{ij}^2}{R^2}$	$\frac{M_{ij}^2 z^2}{P^2 R^2} \leq 1$
SI C/A	$d_{ij} = \frac{1 - \cos(\theta_{ij})}{1 - \cos(R)}$ in Breit frame	$\frac{M_{ij}^2 z^2}{Q^2 R^2} \leq 1$
new LI jet def	$d_{ij} = M_{ij}^2 / (z_i z_j Q^2 R^2)$	$\frac{M_{ij}^2}{z_i z_j Q^2 R^2} \leq 1$

- Goal: find a jet definition which ensures TMD factorisation of the single inclusive jet cross-section.

Jet definition and Sudakov logarithms

- NLO Sudakov logs $L = \ln(Q^2/P_{\perp}^2)$ depend on the jet definition!

For LI C/A (or anti- k_t):

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma^{\gamma_T^*+A \rightarrow j(A)+X}}{d^2\mathbf{P}_{\perp}} \right|_{\text{NLO}} = \left. \frac{d\sigma^{\gamma_T^*+A \rightarrow j+X}}{d^2\mathbf{P}_{\perp}} \right|_{\text{LO}} \times \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \left[-\frac{3}{4}L^2 + \left(\frac{3}{4} - \ln(R) \right) L + \mathcal{O}(1) \right]$$

while for SI C/A ($\beta = 2$) and our new jet definition ($\beta = 0$)

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma^{\gamma_T^*+A \rightarrow j(B)+X}}{d^2\mathbf{P}_{\perp}} \right|_{\text{NLO}} = \left. \frac{d\sigma^{\gamma_T^*+A \rightarrow j+X}}{d^2\mathbf{P}_{\perp}} \right|_{\text{LO}} \times \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \left[-\frac{1}{4}L^2 + \left(\frac{3(1-\beta/2)}{4} + \ln(R) \right) L + \mathcal{O}(1) \right]$$

- From CSS evolution of the quark TMD alone, we expect the log structure

$$\frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \left[-\frac{1}{4}L^2 + \frac{3}{4}L \right]$$

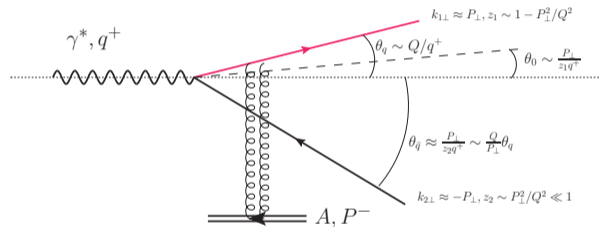
\Rightarrow TMD factorisation implies $\beta = 0$.

New LI jet definition in DIS suitable for TMD factorisation with jets.

- Note that Sudakov DL for a jet measurement is half the DL for hadron measurement.

Physical interpretation

- Our new clustering condition equivalent to $\theta_{ij} \leq R\theta_{\text{jet}}$ with $\theta_{\text{jet}} \sim Q/q^+$.
- Angle of the jet set by its virtuality rather than by its transverse momentum.
(Naively, $\theta_{\text{jet}} \sim \frac{P_{\perp}}{zq^+}$.)
- Soft gluons contributing to Sudakov must have $\theta_g \gg \theta_{\text{jet}}$.
 \Rightarrow stronger constraint than $\theta_g \gg \frac{P_{\perp}}{zq^+}$!



Aligned jet geometric configuration in dipole frame.

Conclusion

- NLO small x calculations are consistent with the TMD formalism at moderate x (CSS) provided
 - ⇒ one uses collinearly improved small x evolution equations,
 - ⇒ TMD fragmentation functions are used for final state hadronization.
- NLO small x calculations in the TMD limit can help us improve on TMD factorisation theorems at moderate x .
- Example with single inclusive jet production in DIS where TMD factorisation demands specific jet definition.
- Recent NLO calculation at small x open new interesting questions: interplay between small x /DGLAP/CSS evolution [Mukherjee, Skokov, Tarasov, Tiwari, PRD 109 (2024), PC, lancu, 2408.03129], functional form of the NLO coefficient function in high energy factorisation, etc