A Subleading Operator Basis and Matching for $gg \to H$

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• Introduction to SCET and motivation for this work

• Operator basis

• Matching

• Conclusion and Outlook

Soft Collinear Effective Theory [Bauer, Fleming, Pirjol, Stewart]

SCET very powerful for treating multiscale processes in QCD

Light cone coord:
$$
p^{\mu} = \frac{\bar{n}^{\mu}}{2} n \cdot p + \frac{n^{\mu}}{2} \bar{n} \cdot p + p^{\mu}_{\perp} \equiv (n \cdot p, \bar{n} \cdot p, p_{\perp})
$$
\n*n*-collinear: $p_n \sim Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda)$ \n*n*-collinear: $p_{\bar{n}} \sim Q(1, \lambda^2, \lambda)$ \n*(ultra)soft:* $p_s \sim Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda^2)$ \nhard scale: Q , expansion: $\lambda \ll 1$

Allows for a factorized description: Hard, Jet, Beam, Soft radiation

Introduction

• A large class of observables τ (p_T , threshold, event shapes, etc.) exhibit singularities in perturbation theory for small τ :

$$
\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^n \sum_{m=0}^{2n-1} c_{nm}^{(0)} \left(\frac{\log^m \tau}{\tau}\right)_+ + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^n \sum_{m=0}^{2n-1} c_{nm}^{(2)} \log^m \tau + \cdots
$$

SCET: relate observable τ to power counting parameter λ

- p_T resummation in SCET: $\frac{p_T^2}{Q^2} \sim \lambda$
- Threshold in SCET: $(1-z)^2 \sim \lambda$
- Event shapes in SCET: $\tau \sim \lambda^2$

So that SCET is the EFT that describes the physics of the relevant degrees of freedom at small τ .

Application of SCET

For F.O. calculation:

- \bullet Only relevant d.o.f. involved \implies simpler calculation
- \bullet collinear and soft limits at the integrand level
- **•** expansion by regions in loop integrals for free

For resummation:

• Prove factorization theorems

 $d\sigma$ $\frac{dS}{d\tau} = \sigma_0 H(Q,\mu) \otimes J(Q,\tau,s,\mu) \otimes S(s,\mu) + p.c.$

• Perform resummation by solving the RGE

$$
\frac{1}{2}\gamma_H + \gamma_J + \gamma_S = 0
$$

For example:

- **O** Event shapes/Thrust
- **O** Drell-Yan Threshold
- **O** N-Jettiness
- **O** let substructure
- \bullet Boosted t, W, Z physics
- **O** let radius resummation
- \bullet Higgs p_T resummation $(SCET_{II})$
- **Jet broadening** $(SCET_{II})$

 ${\rm d}\sigma_{\rm (res)}$ $\frac{d\tau}{d\tau} = H(Q,\mu_H)\mathcal{U}_H(Q,\mu_H,\mu_S)J(Q,\tau,\mu_J)\otimes\mathcal{U}_J(\mu_J,\mu_S)\otimes S(\mu_S)$ (Glauber) **•** Small-x resummation

From SM to SCET

 $\mathcal{L}_{SM} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{SCFT} = \mathcal{L}_{hard} + \mathcal{L}_{dyn}$

 $\mathcal{L}_{\text{hard}}$ describes the hard scattering/the partonic interaction.

e.g. how to go from gg to $H + 2$ partons.

Note: it can come from non-QCD interactions

 $\int_{\mathcal{L}_{dyn}}$ describes the evolution of the strongly interacting final/initial states

e.g. how to go from 2 partons to 2 jets/ how the jets evolve

EFT of pure QCD

$$
\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau} \sim \sigma_0 H(Q,\mu) \otimes J(Q,\tau,s,\mu) \otimes S(s,\mu)
$$

Hard scattering

 \bullet $\mathcal{L}_{\text{hard}}$ is made by hard scattering operators O_i made by incoming/outgoing fields.

 \bullet C_i are Wilson coefficients: computed via matching to SM (not only QCD), they encode physics of hard modes at scale $Q.$ Analogue to 4 Fermi theory.

Hard scattering

• Fields/Lagrangians have a definite power counting in λ .

therefore, the Lagrangians can be expanded in λ

$$
\mathcal{L}_{\text{SCET}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{hard}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{dyn}} = \sum_{i \geq 0} \mathcal{L}_{\text{hard}}^{(i)} + \sum_{i \geq 0} \mathcal{L}^{(i)}
$$

- $\mathcal{L}^{(i+k)}$ suppressed by λ^k w.r.t. $\mathcal{L}^{(i)}$
- $\mathcal{L}^{(0)}$ is called Leading Power Lagrangian
- $\mathcal{L}^{(1)}$ is Subleading Power Lagrangian
- $\mathcal{L}^{(2)}$ is Sub-Subleading Power Lagrangian
- \bullet etc \ldots

Note: Often no $\mathcal{O}(\lambda)$ at σ level, so Sub-Subleading Power (which is λ^2 suppressed) is called Next to Leading Power (first non vanishing).

 $\mathcal{L}_{\text{hard}}$ can be expanded:

in powers of power counting parameter λ : $\quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{hard}} = \sum_i \mathcal{L}_{\text{ha}}^{(i)}$ hard

on the operator basis: $\quad \mathcal{L}^{(i)}_{\text{hard}} = \sum_j C^{(i)}_j O^{(i)}_j$ j

A list of independent hard scattering operators $\{O_j^{(i)}\}$ $j^{(i)}$ } for a given process is called a basis of hard scattering operators.

Hard scattering: Operator basis vs Wilson coefficients

$$
\mathcal{L}_\text{hard}^{(i)} = \sum_j C_j^{(i)} O_j^{(i)}
$$

- Wilson coefficients $C_i^{(i)}$ $j^{(\iota)}_j$ depend on process (e.g. $gg \to H$) and power counting
- Operator basis $O_i^{(i)}$ $j_j^{(\iota)}$ depends on spin of non-QCD part and power counting \implies more general (same basis for all $gg \to$ spin-0 at $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^i)$)

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Note that, by definition, hard scattering operator basis is: at all orders in α_s , finite by power counting and fixed order in EW (typically LO)

Operator basis

- Include all operators with smallest power of λ , compatible with symmetries:
	- Collinear and u.s. gauge invariance (encoded in building blocks $\mathcal{B}^\mu_n, \mathcal{B}^\mu_{us}, \chi_n, \psi_{us})$
	- ${\sf Spin}$ of the final state (use helicity building blocks ${\cal B}^\pm_n, J^\pm_{n\bar n}$)
	- Reparametrization Invariance (physics doesn't change if I change n^μ def. by $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$
- \bullet Lot of symmetries \implies lot of constraints

For processes with only 2 collinear directions (n, \bar{n}) at leading power, operator basis is trivial: e.g. for $gg \to H$

$$
\boldsymbol{g_n g_n}: \overbrace{\cup}^{\overbrace{\cup}^{\overbrace{\cup}^{\overbrace{\cup}^{\overbrace{\cup}^{\overbrace{\cup}^{\overbrace{\cup}^{\overline{\cup}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}\cdot
$$

Operator basis at subleading powers

Matching

Matching: a straightforward example

$$
(g)_n(gg \mathcal{P}_\perp)_{\bar{n}} : \bigoplus_{\substack{p \text{ dyhs}} \text{gugg}} \text{gugg} \bigoplus_{\substack{p \text{ dyhs}} \text{gugg} \text{gugg
$$

 $p_1^{\mu} = \omega_1 \frac{n^{\mu}}{2}$ $\frac{v^{\mu}}{2}$, $p_{2}^{\mu} = \omega_{2} \frac{\bar{n}^{\mu}}{2}$ $\frac{v}{2} + p^{\mu}_{\perp} + p^r_2$ n^{μ} $\frac{v^{\mu}}{2}$, $p_3^{\mu} \sim \omega_3 \frac{\bar{n}^{\mu}}{2}$ $\frac{v}{2} - p^{\mu}_{\perp} + p^r_3$ n^{μ} 2

Expand full theory¹ diagrams at $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$:

 1 QCD with pointlike gluon fusion Higgs production

Matching: a straightforward example

• Extract Wilson Coefficient of the operators

$$
C_{\mathcal{PB}1}^{(2)} = -\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) 4ig \left(2 + \frac{\omega_3}{\omega_2} + \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_3}\right) \quad O_{\mathcal{PB}1}^{(2)} = f^{abc} \mathcal{B}_{n\perp,\omega_1}^a \cdot \left[\mathcal{P}_{\perp} \mathcal{B}_{n\perp,\omega_2}^b\right] \mathcal{B}_{n\perp,\omega_3}^c H,
$$

$$
C_{\mathcal{PB}2}^{(2)} = 4ig \left(2 + \frac{\omega_3}{\omega_2} + \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_3}\right) \qquad O_{\mathcal{PB}2}^{(2)} = f^{abc} \left[\mathcal{P}_{\perp} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{n\perp,\omega_3}^a\right] \mathcal{B}_{n\perp,\omega_1}^b \cdot \mathcal{B}_{\perp\bar{n},\omega_2}^c H
$$

• Matching onto Helicity basis

$$
\begin{split} \mathcal{O}^{(2)}_{\mathcal{PB}+++[-]}&=4gi f^{abc}\left(2+\frac{\omega_3}{\omega_2}+\frac{\omega_2}{\omega_3}\right)\mathcal{B}^a_{n+,\omega_1}\,\mathcal{B}^b_{\bar n+,\omega_3}\,\left[\mathcal{P}^-_\perp\mathcal{B}^c_{\bar n+,\omega_2}\right]\,H\,,\\ \mathcal{O}^{(2)}_{\mathcal{PB}---[+]}&=4gi f^{abc}\left(2+\frac{\omega_3}{\omega_2}+\frac{\omega_2}{\omega_3}\right)\mathcal{B}^a_{n-,\omega_1}\,\mathcal{B}^b_{\bar n-,\omega_3}\,\left[\mathcal{P}^+_\perp\mathcal{B}^c_{\bar n-,\omega_2}\right]\,H\,,\\ \mathcal{O}^{(2)}_{\mathcal{PB}++-[+]}&=-2gi f^{abc}\left(2+\frac{\omega_3}{\omega_2}+\frac{\omega_2}{\omega_3}\right)\,\mathcal{B}^a_{n+,\omega_1}\,\mathcal{B}^b_{\bar n-,\omega_3}\,\left[\mathcal{P}^+_\perp\mathcal{B}^c_{\bar n+,\omega_2}\right]\,H\,,\\ \mathcal{O}^{(2)}_{\mathcal{PB}++-[-]}&=-2gi f^{abc}\left(2+\frac{\omega_3}{\omega_2}+\frac{\omega_2}{\omega_3}\right)\mathcal{B}^a_{n-,\omega_1}\,\mathcal{B}^b_{\bar n-,\omega_3}\,\left[\mathcal{P}^-_\perp\mathcal{B}^c_{\bar n+,\omega_2}\right]\,H\,. \end{split}
$$

Matching: Feynman Rule

In this way we get the Feynman rule in the EFT:

$$
\begin{split} \mathcal{P}_{3,\,c,\,\rho} \overset{p_{2,\,b,\,\nu}}{\underset{\mathcal{D}_{\rho_{\mathcal{B}}^{\left(2\right)}}}{\mathcal{D}_{\rho_{\mathcal{B}}^{\left(2\right)}}}}\mathcal{P}_{1,\,a,\,\mu} \\ \overset{p_{3,\,c,\,\rho}}{\underset{\mathcal{D}_{\rho_{\mathcal{B}}^{\left(2\right)}}}{\mathcal{D}_{\rho_{\mathcal{B}}^{\left(2\right)}}}}\left(2+\frac{\omega_{2}}{\omega_{3}}+\frac{\omega_{3}}{\omega_{2}}\right)\left[p_{\perp}^{\mu}g_{\perp}^{\nu\rho}-p_{\perp}^{\nu}g_{\perp}^{\mu\rho}-p_{\perp}^{\rho}g_{\perp}^{\mu\nu}\right.\\ \left. +\frac{p_{\perp}^{2}}{\omega_{2}\omega_{3}}\left(\omega_{3}n^{\nu}g_{\perp}^{\mu\rho}-\omega_{2}n^{\rho}g_{\perp}^{\mu\nu}+p_{\perp}^{\mu}n^{\nu}n^{\rho}\right)\right]\,. \end{split}
$$

Gauge invariant collinear gluon building block:

$$
g\mathcal{B}_{n\perp}^{\mu}=g\left(A_{\perp k}^{\mu a}T^{a}-k_{\perp}^{\mu}\frac{\bar{n}\cdot A_{nk}^{a}T^{a}}{\bar{n}\cdot k}\right)+\mathcal{O}(g^{2})
$$

Matching: a less straightforward example

- EFT has non localities only at the hard scale $Q \sim \omega \sim \lambda^0$
- Some full theory diagrams have non localities also at the soft scale λ^2 (eg. $(p_2 + p_3)^2 \sim p_2^r \omega_3 + p_3^r \omega_2 + p_\perp^2 \sim \lambda^2$)

Need to cancel with EFT contributions (SCET diagrams with

 $n^{-\times}$ collinear gluon splitting in SCET

Matching: cancellation of soft non localities

Cancellation of soft non localities gives a strong cross check on matching of operators (both $3q$ and $4q$ operators involved)

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$$
= 8ig^2p_\perp \cdot \epsilon_{1\perp}p_\perp \cdot \epsilon_{2\perp} \epsilon_{3\perp} \cdot \epsilon_{4\perp} \left(\frac{f^{abe}f^{ecd}}{(p_2+p_3)^2} \frac{(\omega_2+\omega_3+\omega_4)^2}{(\omega_3+\omega_2)\omega_4} + [3 \leftrightarrow 4, b \leftrightarrow c] \right).
$$

• Resulting Wilson Coefficient is free of soft non localities

$$
C_{4g}^{(2)} = 16\pi\alpha_s \left(3 + \frac{\omega_j^3 + \omega_k^3 + \omega_\ell^3 + \omega_j\omega_k\omega_\ell}{(\omega_j + \omega_k)(\omega_j + \omega_\ell)(\omega_k + \omega_\ell)}\right)
$$

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What is subleading power good for?

Leading Power

• Observables can be organized in an expansion in τ .

Leading power well understood for a wide variety of observables.

Subleading Power

- Subleading powers much less well understood.
- Are there factorization theorems at each power?

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{(n)}}{\mathrm{d}\tau} = \sum_j H_j^{(n_{Hj})} \otimes J_j^{(n_{Jj})} \otimes S_j^{(n_{Sj})}
$$

- What is the degree of universality?
- Start by looking at Next-to-Leading Power (NLP):

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma^{(2)}}{\mathrm{d}\tau} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^n \sum_{m=0}^{2n-1} c_{nm}^{(2)} \log^m \tau
$$

Goal: Understand all orders structure of NLP logs. Derive RG, etc.

• Fixed order is first step in understanding this.

Already at fixed order NLP logs have interesting applications.

Application to N -jettiness Subtractions

- NNLO calculations require cancellation of real/virtual poles.
- Use a physical resolution variable to slice phase space.
- Recently a general method allowing for jets in final state, based on N -jettiness (see also Andrea Isgrò's talk)

[Gaunt, Stahlhofen,Tackmann, Walsh] [Boughezal, Focke, Petriello, Liu]

$$
\sigma(X) = \int_{0}^{1} d\mathcal{T}_{N} \frac{d\sigma(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_{N}} = \int_{0}^{\mathcal{T}_{N}^{\text{cut}}} d\mathcal{T}_{N} \frac{d\sigma(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_{N}} + \int_{\mathcal{T}_{N}^{\text{cut}}} d\mathcal{T}_{N} \frac{d\sigma(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_{N}}
$$

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$$

$$
\int\limits_0^{\mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}} d\mathcal{T}_N \frac{d\sigma(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_N}
$$

Compute using factorization in soft/collinear limits:

dσ $\frac{dS}{d\tau_N}=HB_a\otimes B_b\otimes S\otimes J_1\otimes\cdots\otimes J_{N-1}$

$$
\int\limits_{\mathcal{T}^{\rm cut}_N} d\mathcal{T}_N \frac{d\sigma(X)}{d\mathcal{T}_N}
$$

Additional jet resolved. Use NLO subtractions.

Power Corrections

- Current subtractions use leading power result in singular region.
- Power corrections are dropped \implies small values of $\mathcal{T}_N^{\text{cut}}$ necessary.

$$
\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau} = \sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^n \sum_{n=0}^{2n-1} c_{nm}^{(0)} \left(\frac{\log^m \tau}{\tau}\right)_+ \n+ \sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^n \sum_{n=0}^{2n-1} c_{nm}^{(2)} \log^m \tau \n+ \sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^n \sum_{n=0}^{2n-1} c_{nm}^{(2)} \tau \log^m \tau \n+ \cdots
$$

• Use of a physical resolution variable $⇒$ power corrections analytically tractable. [Gaunt, Stahlhofen, Tackmann, Walsh], see also Andrea's Talk [Gaunt, Stahlhofen,Tackmann, Walsh], see also Andrea's Talk [Boughezal, Petriello, Liu, et al.]

N-jettiness Subtractions

[Ian Moult, Lorena Rothen, Iain W. Stewart, Frank J. Tackmann, and Hua Xing Zhu1- arXiv:1612.00450v1]

Outlook

- Understand factorization beyond leading power
	- Systematic study of subleading Lagrangian insertions (Subleading Power Radiative Functions)
	- **Combine subleading hard scattering operator and Radiative** Functions
- \bullet Extend it to SCET_{II}
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Thank you!

Backup slides

Helicity building blocks: definition

$$
\mathcal{B}_{i\pm}^a = -\varepsilon_{\mp\mu}(n_i, \bar{n}_i) \, \mathcal{B}_{n_i\perp,\omega_i}^{a\mu},
$$
\n
$$
\chi_{i\pm}^\alpha = \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2} \chi_{n_i,-\omega_i}^\alpha, \qquad \bar{\chi}_{i\pm}^{\bar{\alpha}} = \bar{\chi}_{n_i,-\omega_i}^{\bar{\alpha}} \frac{1 \mp \gamma_5}{2}.
$$

$$
\varepsilon^{\mu}_{+}(p,k) = \frac{\langle p+|\gamma^{\mu}|k+\rangle}{\sqrt{2}\langle kp \rangle}, \qquad \varepsilon^{\mu}_{-}(p,k) = -\frac{\langle p-|\gamma^{\mu}|k-\rangle}{\sqrt{2}[kp]},
$$

• Helicity currents where the quarks are in opposite collinear sectors,

$$
h = \pm 1: \quad J_{n\bar{n}\pm}^{\bar{\alpha}\beta} = \mp \sqrt{\frac{2}{\omega_n \omega_{\bar{n}}}} \frac{\varepsilon_{\mp}^{\mu}(n,\bar{n})}{\langle \bar{n} \mp |n\pm \rangle} \bar{\chi}_{n\pm}^{\bar{\alpha}} \gamma_{\mu} \chi_{\bar{n}\pm}^{\beta},
$$

$$
h = 0: \qquad J_{n\bar{n}0}^{\bar{\alpha}\beta} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\omega_n \omega_{\bar{n}} \left[n\bar{n} \right]}} \bar{\chi}_{n+}^{\bar{\alpha}} \chi_{\bar{n}-}^{\beta}, \quad (J^{\dagger})_{n\bar{n}0}^{\bar{\alpha}\beta} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\omega_n \omega_{\bar{n}} \langle n\bar{n} \rangle}} \bar{\chi}_{n-}^{\bar{\alpha}} \chi_{\bar{n}+}^{\beta}.
$$

• as well as where the quarks are in the same collinear sector,

$$
h = 0: \tJ_{i0}^{\bar{\alpha}\beta} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\omega_{\bar{\chi}}\omega_{\chi}}} \bar{\chi}_{i+}^{\bar{\alpha}} \bar{\eta}_{i} \chi_{i+}^{\beta}, \tJ_{i0}^{\bar{\alpha}\beta} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\omega_{\bar{\chi}}\omega_{\chi}}} \bar{\chi}_{i-}^{\bar{\alpha}} \bar{\eta}_{i} \chi_{i-}^{\beta},
$$

$$
h = \pm 1: \tJ_{i\pm}^{\bar{\alpha}\beta} = \mp \sqrt{\frac{2}{\omega_{\bar{\chi}}\omega_{\chi}} \frac{\epsilon_{+}^{\mu}(n_{i}, \bar{n}_{i})}{(\langle n_{i} \mp | \bar{n}_{i} \pm \rangle)^{2}} \bar{\chi}_{i\pm}^{\bar{\alpha}} \gamma_{\mu} \bar{\eta}_{i} \chi_{i+}^{\beta}.
$$

Helicity building blocks: power counting

