

Evolution equations for dihadron fragmentation functions

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We consider dihadron fragmentation functions, that describe the fragmentation of a parton in two (unpolarized) hadrons. Using Jet calculus techniques, we develop evolution equations when these functions are explicitly depending upon the invariant mass of the produced hadron pair, the so-called extended dihadron fragmentation functions. We connect our results to the integrated dihadron fragmentation functions and we establish a formal correspondence with the (extended) fracture functions in the space-like domain. Our results can be used in the analysis of (spin) asymmetries in the azimuthal distribution of final pion pairs, particularly for semi-inclusive deep-inelastic scattering on transversely polarized targets, where extended dihadron fragmentation functions represent a convenient analyzing power to extract the quark transversity distribution.

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