NLO for hybrid k_T -factorization

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Motivation

Following the work by M. Deak, F. Hautmann, H. Jung and K. Kutak: Forward jet production at the Large Hadron Collider

Collinear factorization in QCD

- Automated calculations up to NLO since over decade.
- Excellent descriptions of non forward jets.
- To have a distribution of the angle between to jets in pp → 2j, one need NLO accuracy.

Hybrid k_T factorization in QCD

- Calculations only up to LO.
- As initial state already has transverse component, the final state jets in pp → 2j are not necessary back to back.
- Necessary framework to description forward jets.



Fig. 1: Distribution of the azimuthal angle. From A. v. Hameren, P. Kotko, K. Kutak and S. Sapeta: Small-xdynamics in forward–central dijet correlations at the LHC

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$$\begin{aligned} k_{in}^{\mu} &= x_{in} P^{\mu} \\ k_{\overline{in}}^{\mu} &= \overline{x}_{\overline{in}} \overline{P}^{\mu} \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

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 Not finite at all
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Collinear factorization in QCD at NLO

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$$\begin{split} & f_{\overline{in}}^{(1)}(\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}}^{1} d\overline{z} \mathcal{P}_{\overline{in}}(\overline{z}) f_{\overline{in}}(\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}/\overline{z}) = \textit{finite} \\ & f_{\overline{in}}^{(1)}(x_{\overline{in}}) - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{x_{\overline{in}}}^{1} dz \mathcal{P}_{\overline{in}}(z) f_{\overline{in}}(x_{\overline{in}}/z) = \textit{finite} \end{split}$$

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Objective

Hybrid k_T factorization in QCD

Establish the same within hybrid k_T -factorization, for which the LO cross section formula is:

$$d\sigma^{LO} = \int \frac{dx_{in}}{x_{in}} \frac{d^2 k_T}{\pi} \frac{d\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}}{\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}} F_{in}(x_{in}, k_T) f_{\overline{in}}(\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) dB^*(x_{in}, k_T, \overline{x}_{\overline{in}})$$
(4)

- The amplitudes inside $B^*(x_{in}, k_T, \overline{x}_{in})$ depend explicitly on k_T .
- They involve a space-like initial-state gluon with momentum $k_{in}^{\mu} = x_{in}P^{\mu} + k_T^{\mu}$



- Such amplitudes need care to be well-defined, to be gauge invariant
- We apply the auxiliary-parton method, and our objective is within this constraint

Auxiliary parton method

Introduced by A. v. Hameren, P. Kotko and K. Kutak in Helicity amplitudes for high-energy scattering. We put our interest on process with one space-like gluon. $\omega(p_1) = g(p_1)/q(P_1)$

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Their difference is

$$k_1^{\mu} - k_2^{\mu} = \frac{k_{in}^{\mu}}{k_i^{\mu}} + O(\Lambda^{-1}) = \frac{x_{in}P^{\mu}}{k_i^{\mu}} + \frac{k_i^{\mu}}{k_i^{\mu}} + O(\Lambda^{-1})$$

Taking $\Lambda \to \infty$ one will obtain the matrix element with space-like gluon

$$\frac{x_{in}^{2}|k_{T}|^{2}}{g_{s}^{2}C_{aux}\Lambda^{2}}|\overline{M}^{aux}|^{2}(\Lambda P, k_{\overline{in}}; p_{\Lambda}, \{p_{i}\}_{i=1}^{n}) \xrightarrow{\Lambda \to \infty} |\overline{M}^{*}|^{2}(k_{in}, k_{\overline{in}}; \{p_{i}\}_{i=1}^{n})$$
(5)

As auxiliary partons we can choose quarks as well as gluons. Then

$$C_{aux-q}=rac{N_c^2-1}{N_c}, C_{aux-g}=2N_c.$$

The NLO contributions - schematically

$$d\sigma^{NLO} = \int \frac{dx_{in}}{x_{in}} \frac{d^2k_T}{\pi} \frac{d\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}}{\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}} \{F_{in}(x_{in}, |k_T|)f(\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) \left[dV^*(x_{in}, k_T, \overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) + dR^*(x_{in}, k_T, \overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) \right] \\ + \left[F_{in}^{(1)}(x_{in}, |k_T|)f(\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) + F_{in}(x_{in}, |k_T|)f^{(1)}(\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) \right] dB^*(x_{in}, k_T, \overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) \}$$
(6)

Virtual contributions

$$dV^* = dV^{*fam} + dV^{*unf}$$

- Familiar contribution conserve smooth on-shell $k_T \rightarrow 0$
- Unfamiliar contribution dV*unf = a_eN_cRe(V_{aux})dB*

$$a_{\epsilon} = rac{lpha_s}{2\pi} rac{(4\pi)^{\epsilon}}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)}; \quad \epsilon = rac{4-dim}{2}$$

$$\mathcal{V}_{aux} = \left(\frac{\mu^2}{|k_T|^2}\right)^{\epsilon} \left[\frac{2}{\epsilon} ln \frac{\Lambda}{x_{in}} - i\pi + \overline{\mathcal{V}}_{aux}\right] + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-1})$$
$$\overline{\mathcal{V}}_{aux-q} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{13}{6} + \frac{\pi^2}{3} + \frac{80}{18} + \frac{1}{N_c^2} \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{3}{2}\frac{1}{\epsilon} + 4\right] - \frac{n_f}{N_c} \left[\frac{2}{3}\frac{1}{\epsilon} + \frac{10}{9}\right]$$
$$\overline{\mathcal{V}}_{aux-g} = -\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{\pi^2}{3}$$

Details in E. Blanco, A. Giachino, A. v. Hameren, P. Kotko: One-loop gauge invariant amplitudes with a space-like gluon. S a Control of the space-like gluon.

Real radiation

Real contribution we defined as

$$dR^{*fam}(k_{in}, k_{\overline{in}}; \{p_i\}_{i=1}^{n+1}) = \frac{a_{\epsilon}\mu^{2\epsilon}}{\pi_{\epsilon}} \frac{1}{|k_T|^2} d\Sigma^*_{n+1}(k_{in}, k_{\overline{in}}; \{p_i\}_{i=1}^{n+1}) J_R(\{p_i\}_{i=1}^{n+1})$$

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$$dR^* = dR^{*fam} + dR^{*unf}$$

Came from phase space where the radiative gluon take part in consumption of the Λ

- depends of type of auxiliary partons
- violates the smooth on-shell limit and smooth large A limit

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Unfamiliar real contribution



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$$\frac{x_{in}^{2}|q_{T}+r_{T}|^{2}}{g_{s}^{2}C_{aux}\Lambda^{2}}|\overline{M}^{aux}|^{2}((\Lambda+x_{in})P,k_{\overline{in}};x_{r}\Lambda P+r_{T}+\overline{x}_{r}\overline{P},x_{q}\Lambda P+q_{T}+\overline{x}_{q}\overline{P},\{p_{i}\}_{i=1}^{n})$$

$$\xrightarrow{\Lambda\to\infty}\mathcal{Q}_{aux}(x_{q},q_{T},x_{r},r_{T})|\overline{M}^{*}|^{2}(x_{in}P-q_{T}-r_{T},k_{\overline{in}};\{p_{i}\}_{i=1}^{n})$$

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$$dR^{*unf}(k_{in},k_{\overline{in}};\{p_i\}_{i=1}^{n+1}) = \left\{a_{\epsilon}N_c\left(\frac{\mu^2}{|k_T|^2}\right)^{\epsilon} \left[-\frac{2}{\epsilon}\ln\frac{2P\cdot\overline{P}\Lambda}{|k_T|^2} + \overline{R}_{aux}\right] + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon,\Lambda^{-1})\right\} dB^{*}(k_{in},k_{\overline{in}};\{p_i\}_{i=1}^n)$$

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Unfamiliar contributions - completed

Collection of virtual and real unfamiliar contribution brings

$$\Delta_{unf} dB^* = dR^{*unf} + dV^{*unf}$$

general unfamiliar contribution is given by

$$\Delta_{unf} = \frac{a_{\epsilon}N_{c}}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{\mu^{2}}{|k_{T}|^{2}}\right)^{\epsilon} \left[\mathcal{J}_{aux} + \mathcal{J}_{univ} + \mathcal{J}_{univ} - 2ln\frac{2P \cdot \overline{P}x_{in}}{|k_{T}|^{2}}\right]$$

where

$$\mathcal{J}_{univ} = \frac{11}{6} - \frac{n_f}{3N_c} - \frac{\mathcal{K}}{N_c}(-\epsilon) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{K} = N_c \left(\frac{67}{18} - \frac{\pi^2}{6}\right) - \frac{5n_f}{9}$$
$$\mathcal{J}_{aux-g} = \frac{11}{6} + \frac{n_f}{3N_c^3} + \frac{n_f}{6N_c^3}(-\epsilon), \quad \mathcal{J}_{aux-q} = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(-\epsilon)$$

- No In∧
- Target impact factor corrections as in Ciafaloni, Colferai 1999.
- Other terms also known in literature (Regge trajectory, renormalization of the coupling constant)

Familiar real collinear singularities

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Tree-level matrix elements with a space-like gluon still have a singularity when a radiative gluon becomes collinear to *P*.

$$|\overline{M}^*|^2 \left(x_{in}P + k_T, k_{\overline{in}}; r, \{p_i\}_{i=1}^n \right) \xrightarrow{r \to x_r P} \frac{2N_C}{P \cdot r} \frac{x_{in}^2}{x_r (x_{in} - x_r)^2} |\overline{M}^*|^2 \left((x_{in} - x_r)P + k_T, k_{\overline{in}}; \{p_i\}_{i=1}^n \right)$$
(8)

Similar to usual collinear gluon splitting with only the $\frac{1}{z(1-z)}$ part.

This leads to a non-cancelling divergence similar to the collinear case given by

$$\Delta_{coll}^{*}(x_{in},k_{T}) = -\frac{\alpha_{\epsilon}}{\epsilon} \int_{x_{in}}^{1} dz \left[\frac{2N_{C}}{[1-z]_{+}} + \frac{2N_{C}}{z} + \gamma_{g}\delta(1-z) \right] F\left(\frac{x_{in}}{z},k_{T}\right)$$
(9)

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Summary

General NLO formula

$$d\sigma^{NLO} = \int \frac{dx_{in}}{x_{in}} \frac{d^{2}k_{T}}{\pi} \frac{d\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}}{\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}} \left\{ F_{in}(x_{in}, k_{T}) f_{\overline{in}}(\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) \left[dR^{*}(x_{in}, k_{T}, \overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) + dV^{*}(x_{in}, k_{T}, \overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) \right]_{cancelling} \\ + \left[F_{in}^{NLO}(x_{in}, k_{T}) + F_{in}(x_{in}, k_{T}) \Delta_{unf}(x_{in}, k_{T}) + \Delta_{coll}^{*}(x_{in}, k_{T}) \right]_{\overline{in}}(\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) dB^{*}(x_{in}, k_{T}, \overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) \\ \left[f^{NLO}\overline{in}(\overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) + \Delta_{\overline{coll}} \right] F_{in}(x_{in}, k_{T}) dB^{*}(x_{in}, k_{T}, \overline{x}_{\overline{in}}) \right]$$
(10)

The collinear divergences Δ_{coll}^* and $\Delta_{\overline{coll}}$ $f^{NLO}\overline{in}(\overline{x_{in}}) + \Delta_{\overline{coll}} \rightarrow \text{finite as in collinear factorization}$ $F_{in}^{NLO}(x_{in}, k_T) + F_{in}(x_{in}, k_T)\Delta_{unf}(x_{in}, k_T) + \Delta_{coll}^*(x_{in}, k_T) \rightarrow \text{finite } ? \text{ still necessity for scheme for regularization}$

Details in A. v. Hameren, L. Motyka, G. Ziarko: Hybrid kT-factorization and impact factors at NLO. J. High Energ. Phys. 2022, 103 (2022). https://doi.org/10.1007/JHEP11(2022)103 [SPRINGER]

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