One Loop Matching for Quasi PDF

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1 Background

The definition of parton distribution function (PDF) is

$$q(x,\mu_f) = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d\eta^-}{2\pi} e^{-ixP^+\eta^-} \left\langle P, S \left| \bar{\psi} \left(\eta^- \right) \Gamma \mathcal{W} \left[\eta^-; 0 \right] \psi(0) \right| P, S \right\rangle \tag{1}$$

where with this unpolarized PDF case, $\Gamma = \gamma^+$. W is the gauge link defined as [Collins(2009)]

$$W[w^{-},0] = P\left\{e^{-ig_0 \int_0^{w^{-}} dy^{-} A_{(0)\sigma}^{+}(0,y^{-},\mathbf{0}_{\mathrm{T}})t_{\sigma}}\right\}$$
 (2)

The definition of quasi PDF is

$$\tilde{q}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{2\pi} e^{ixP^z z} \langle P, S | \bar{\psi}(z) \tilde{\Gamma} \tilde{\mathcal{W}}[z, 0] \psi(0) | P, S \rangle$$
(3)

where

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}[z,0] = \exp\left[ig\mathcal{P}\int_0^z dz' n \cdot A^a(z') t^a\right], n = (0,0,0,-1)$$
(4)

and $\tilde{\Gamma} = \gamma^z$ in our case.

To make the gauge links equal to unity, we choose light cone gauge for PDF and axial gauge for quasi PDF.

2 Tree Level Matching

In axial gauge, the quasi PDF is

$$\tilde{q}(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int dz e^{ixP^z z} \langle P|\bar{\psi}(z)\gamma^z \psi(0)|P\rangle$$
 (5)

The frame is chosen such that $P^{\mu} = (P^0, \mathbf{0}, P^z)$. Up to one loop, we can use quark state as the external state to complete the matching process. The quark field ψ reads

$$\psi(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^3 \vec{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_k} \left[u(k)e^{-ik\cdot x}b_k + v(k)e^{ik\cdot x}d_k^{\dagger} \right] \tag{6}$$

Insert it to (5)

$$\tilde{q}^{(0)}(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{4\pi} e^{ixP^z z} \left\langle 0|b_P \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_p} \left[\bar{u}(p)e^{ip\cdot x}b_p^{\dagger} + \bar{v}(p)e^{-ip\cdot x}d_p \right] \gamma^z \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^3\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_k} \left[u(k)e^{-ik\cdot x}b_k + v(k)e^{ik\cdot x}d_k^{\dagger} \right] b_P^{\dagger} |0\rangle$$

$$\tag{7}$$

Look at the creation-annihilation operators, we have the following combinations:

$$b_P b_p^{\dagger} b_k b_P^{\dagger}, \ b_P d_p b_k b_P^{\dagger}, \ b_P b_p^{\dagger} d_k^{\dagger} b_P^{\dagger}, \ b_P d_p d_k^{\dagger} b_P^{\dagger}$$

$$\tag{8}$$

Apparently the latter three all go to zero by moving the anti-quark operators to the side:

$$\tilde{q}^{(0)}(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{4\pi} e^{ixP^{z}z} \langle 0| \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{1}{2E_{p}} \bar{u}(p) e^{ip\cdot z} b_{P} b_{p}^{\dagger} \gamma^{z} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{1}{2E_{k}} u(k) e^{-ik\cdot 0} b_{k} b_{P}^{\dagger} |0\rangle
= \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{4\pi} e^{ixP^{z}z} \langle 0| \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{e^{ip\cdot z}}{2E_{p}} \bar{u}(p) (2\pi)^{3} 2E_{\mathbf{P}} \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{P}) \gamma^{z} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{e^{-ik\cdot 0}}{2E_{k}} u(k) (2\pi)^{3} 2E_{\mathbf{P}} \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{P}) |0\rangle
= \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{4\pi} e^{ixP^{z}z + iP\cdot z} \bar{u}(P) \gamma^{z} u(P) \tag{9}$$

Using Gordon identity

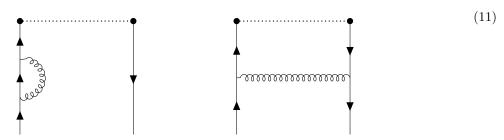
$$\tilde{q}^{(0)}(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{4\pi} e^{ixP^z z - iP^z z} \bar{u}(P) \frac{P^z}{m} u(P)$$

$$= \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{2\pi} e^{ixP^z z - iP^z z} P^z$$

$$= \delta(1 - x) \tag{10}$$

3 One Loop Quasi PDF

Two diagrams are required with one loop corrections to quasi PDF.



A Conventions

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 (12)

and the projection of single particle state is

$$|p\rangle = b_p^{\dagger} |0\rangle \tag{13}$$

$$\left\{b_{\mathbf{p}}^{r}, b_{\mathbf{q}}^{s\dagger}\right\} = (2\pi)^{3} 2E\delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})\delta^{rs} \tag{14}$$

The Dirac spinor is normalized to

$$\bar{u}^s(p)u(p) = 2m\delta^{rs} \tag{15}$$

References

[Collins(2009)] J. Collins, Foundations of Perturbative QCD (Cambridge University Press, 2009).