1 Introduction

This work is mainly based on the paper "Complete $O(\alpha_S)$ corrections to heavy-flavour structure functions in electroproduction" by Laenen et. al.[1] - that is, it recalculates all properties and formulas. It extends then the application to the equivalent *polarized* processes. The treating of the polarized processes can for example be found in [2] and we will use many ideas and technices from there. **FiXme Error: more**

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1.1 Motivation

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1.2 Notation

To collect all soft and collinear poles we have to calculate in $n=4+\epsilon$ dimension. Unfortunally the extension for *polarized* processes is nontrivial, because the occurring Levi-Civita tensors $\varepsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$ and γ_5 . A common choice to deal with these objects is the HVBM prescription[3] that keeps those two objects four dimensional at the price for splitting the full *n*-dimensional space into a (n-4)-dimensional space, called "hat-space", and a four-dimensional space (that is actually never used).

In leading order (LO) we have to consider the following processes

$$\gamma^*(q; \sigma_q) + g(k_1; \sigma_{k_1}) \to Q(p_1) + \overline{Q}(p_2) \tag{1}$$

The corresponding parton structure tensor $W^{(0)}_{\mu\mu'}$ can then be written as **FiXme Error:** avoid all order expr?

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$$\begin{split} W^{(0)}_{\mu\mu'}(k_1,q;s,t_1,u_1,q^2;\sigma_{k_1}\sigma_q) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}E_k(\epsilon)K_{\mathrm{g}\gamma}\int\frac{d^{n-1}p_1}{2E_1(2\pi)^{n-1}}\int\frac{d^{n-1}p_2}{2E_2(2\pi)^{n-1}}\delta(p_1^2-m^2)\delta(p_2^2-m^2) \\ &\qquad (2\pi)^n\delta^{(n)}(k_1+q-p_1-p_2)\,\mathcal{M}^{(0)}_{\mu}(\sigma_{k_1},\sigma_q)\,\mathcal{M}^{(0)}_{\mu'}(\sigma_{k_1},\sigma_q) \end{split} \tag{2}$$

where the initial 1/2 is the initial state spin average, $K_{g\gamma}$ is the color average,

$$E_{\epsilon} := \begin{cases} 1/(1+\epsilon/2) & \text{unpolarized} \\ 1 & \text{polarized} \end{cases}$$
 (3)

accounts for initial freedom in n dimensions for bosons and we defined the following Mandelstam variables:

$$s = (q + k_1)^2$$
, $t_1 = t - m^2 = (k_1 - p_2)^2 - m^2$, $u_1 = u - m^2 = (q - p_2)^2 - m^2$ (4)

$$s' = s - q^2, \quad u'_1 = u_1 - q^2$$
 (5)

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By using Lorentz covariance, hermiticity, parity invariance and current conservation the parton structure tensor can be decomposed into several parts:

$$W_{\mu\mu'}(k_1, q; s, t_1, u_1, q^2; \sigma_{k_1}, \sigma_q) = \left(-g_{\mu\mu'} + \frac{q_{\mu}q_{\mu'}}{q^2}\right) \frac{d^2\sigma_T(s, t_1, u_1, q^2)}{dt_1 du_1} + \left(k_{1,\mu} - \frac{k_1 \cdot q}{q^2} q_{\mu}\right) \left(k_{1,\mu'} - \frac{k_1 \cdot q}{q^2} q_{\mu'}\right) \left(\frac{-4q^2}{s'^2}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{d^2\sigma_T(s, t_1, u_1, q^2)}{dt_1 du_1} + \frac{d^2\sigma_L(s, t_1, u_1, q^2)}{dt_1 du_1}\right)$$
(6)

FiXme Error: extend We can then define appropriate projection operators[1, 4]:

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$$\mathcal{P}_{G,\mu\mu'} = -g_{\mu\mu'} \qquad \qquad b_G(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{2(1+\epsilon/2)} \tag{7}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{L,\mu\mu'} = -\frac{4q^2}{s'^2} k_{1,\mu} k_{1,\mu'} \qquad b_L(\epsilon) = 1$$
 (8)

$$\mathcal{P}_{P,\mu\mu'} = i\varepsilon_{\mu\mu'\rho\rho'} \frac{q^{\rho}k_1^{\rho'}}{s'} \qquad b_P(\epsilon) = 1 \tag{9}$$

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$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_k(s, t_1, u_1, q^2)}{dt_1 t u_1} = b_k(\epsilon) \mathcal{P}_{k, \mu \mu'} W^{\mu \mu'}$$
(10)

with $k \in \{G, L, P\}$ denoting (here and mostly ever after) the projection type. The transverse partonic cross section $d\sigma_T$ can be reconstructed from the above definitions by using

$$d\sigma_T = d\sigma_G + b_G(\epsilon)d\sigma_L \tag{11}$$

We also define accordingly

$$E_G(\epsilon) = E_L(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{1 + \epsilon/2}$$
 $E_P(\epsilon) = 1$ (12)

The final state spins are always summed over, but the initial spins have to be treated seperately: for unpolarized projections $k \in \{G, L\}$ they are also summed over, but for polarized k = P they are combined as follows

$$\hat{\sum}_{G,\sigma} f(\sigma_{k_1}, \sigma_q) = \hat{\sum}_{L,\sigma} f(\sigma_{k_1}, \sigma_q) = f(+, +) + f(-, -) + f(+, -) + f(-, +) \tag{13}$$

$$\hat{\sum}_{P,\sigma} f(\sigma_{k_1}, \sigma_q) = f(+, +) + f(-, -) - f(+, -) - f(-, +)$$
 (14)

which keeps spin asymmetries well behaving.

When computing total partonic cross sections we define a set of partonic variables:

$$0 \le \rho = \frac{4m^2}{s} \le 1$$
 $0 \le \beta = \sqrt{1 - \rho} \le 1$ $0 \le \chi = \frac{1 - \beta}{1 + \beta} \le 1$ (15)

$$\rho_q = \frac{4m^2}{q^2} \le 0 \qquad 1 \le \beta_q = \sqrt{1 - \rho_q} \qquad 0 \le \chi_q = -\frac{1 - \beta_q}{1 + \beta_q} \le 1 \qquad (16)$$

When computing Feynman diagrams a computer algebra system (CAS) is almost obligatory: common choices are FORM[5] or Mathematica[6] - for the later the most common choice is TRACER[7], but we have chosen HEPMath[8]. We used the Feynman rules given by [9]. FiXme Error: explain ghosts?

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2 Leading Order Calculations

In leading order we have to consider photon-gluon-fusion (PGF), that is

$$\gamma^*(q; \sigma_q) + g(k_1; \sigma_{k_1}) \to Q(p_1) + \overline{Q}(p_2)$$
(17)

with two contributing diagrams depicted in figure **FiXme Error: todo**. The result can then be written as

$$\hat{\sum}_{k,\sigma} \mathcal{P}_k^{\mu\mu'} \sum_{j=1}^2 \mathcal{M}_{j,\mu}^{(0)}(\sigma_{k_1}, \sigma_q) \, \mathcal{M}_{j,\mu'}^{(0)*}(\sigma_{k_1}, \sigma_q) = 8g^2 e^2 e_H^2 N_C C_F B_{k,QED} \tag{18}$$

where g and e are the strong and electromagnetic coupling constants respectively and e_H is the magnitude of the heavy quark in units e. Further N_C corresponds to the gauge group $SU(N_C)$ and the color factor $C_F = (N_C^2 - 1)/(2N_C)$ refers to the second Casimir constant of the fundamental representation for the quarks. We then find:

$$B_{G,QED} = \frac{t_1}{u_1} + \frac{u_1}{t_1} + \frac{4m^2s'}{t_1u_1} \left(1 - \frac{m^2s'}{t_1u_1} \right) + \frac{2s'q^2}{t_1u_1} + \frac{2q^4}{t_1u_1} + \frac{2m^2q^2}{t_1u_1} \left(2 - \frac{s'^2}{t_1u_1} \right) + \epsilon \left\{ -1 + \frac{s'^2}{t_1u_1} + \frac{s'q^2}{t_1u_1} - \frac{q^4}{t_1u_1} - \frac{m^2q^2s'^2}{t_1^2u_1^2} \right\} + \epsilon^2 \frac{s'^2}{4t_1u_1}$$

$$(19)$$

$$B_{L,QED} = -\frac{4q^2}{s'} \left(\frac{s}{s'} - \frac{m^2 s'}{t_1 u_1} \right) \tag{20}$$

$$B_{P,QED} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{t_1}{u_1} + \frac{u_1}{t_1} \right) \left(\frac{2m^2 s'}{t_1 u_1} - 1 - \frac{2q^2}{s'} \right)$$
 (21)

By using eq. (2) we can derive the *n*-dimensional $2 \to 2$ phase space

$$dPS_2 = \int \frac{d^n p_1}{(2\pi)^{n-1}} \frac{d^n p_2}{(2\pi)^{n-1}} \Theta(p_{1,0}) \delta(p_1^2 - m^2) \Theta(p_{2,0}) \delta(p_2^2 - m^2) (2\pi)^n \delta^{(n)}(k_1 + q - p_1 - p_2)$$
(22)

that can be solved by using the center-of-mass system (CMS) of the incoming particles [2]

$$q = \left(\frac{s+q^2}{2\sqrt{s}}, 0, 0, -\frac{s-q^2}{2\sqrt{s}}, \hat{0}\right) \qquad k_1 = \frac{s-q^2}{2\sqrt{s}} \left(1, 0, 0, 1, \hat{0}\right)$$
 (23)

such that $q + k_1 = (\sqrt{s}, \vec{0})$ and $k_1^2 = 0$. For the outgoing particles it follows

$$p_1 = \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} \left(1, 0, \beta \sin \theta, \beta \cos \theta, \hat{0} \right) \qquad p_2 = \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} \left(1, 0, -\beta \sin \theta, -\beta \cos \theta, \hat{0} \right) \tag{24}$$

such that $p_1 + p_2 = (\sqrt{s}, \vec{0})$ and $p_1^2 = p_2^2 = m^2$. Finally we have to use the *n*-sphere

$$d^{n}x = \frac{2\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(n/2)}x^{n-1}dx = \frac{\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(n/2)}(x^{2})^{(n-2)/2}dx^{2}$$
(25)

and arrive at the well known result[1]

$$dPS_2 = \frac{\delta(s' + t_1 + u_1)}{2s'\Gamma((n-2)/2)(4\pi)^{(n-2)/2}} \left(\frac{(t_1u_1' - s'm^2)s' - q^2t_1^2}{s'^2}\right)^{(n-4)/2} dt_1 du_1$$
 (26)

$$= \frac{\delta(s' + t_1 + u_1)2\pi S_{\epsilon}}{s'\Gamma(1 + \epsilon/2)} \left(\frac{(t_1 u_1' - s' m^2)s' - q^2 t_1^2}{s'^2} \right)^{\epsilon/2} dt_1 du_1$$
 (27)

with $S_{\epsilon} = (4\pi)^{(-2-\epsilon/2)}$.

The final double differential LO partonic cross section can then be written as

$$s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k}^{(0)}(s', t_{1}, u_{1}, q^{2})}{dt_{1} du_{1}} = 2^{6} \alpha \alpha_{s} e_{H}^{2} K_{g\gamma} N_{C} C_{F} E_{k}(\epsilon) b_{k}(\epsilon) \delta(s' + t_{1} + u_{1}) \frac{\pi^{3} S_{\epsilon}}{\Gamma(1 + \epsilon/2)}$$

$$\left(\frac{(t_{1} u'_{1} - s' m^{2}) s' - q^{2} t_{1}^{2}}{m^{2} s'^{2}}\right)^{\epsilon/2} \left(\frac{\mu_{D}^{2}}{m^{2}}\right)^{-\epsilon/2} B_{k,QED}$$
(28)

where we used $e^2=4\pi\alpha$ and $g^2=4\pi\alpha_s$ and introduced the arbitrary mass parameter μ_D to keep the strong coupling dimensionless. The color average is given by $K_{\mathrm{g}\gamma}=1/(N_C^2-1)$.

From the results above we can easily obtain the total LO partonic cross sections

$$\sigma_G^{(0)}(s',q^2) = -4\pi\alpha\alpha_s e_H^2 K_{g\gamma} N_C C_F \frac{1}{s'^3} \left((s^2 + q^4 + 4m^2 s)\beta + (s^2 + q^4 - 4m^2 (2m^2 - s')) \ln(\chi) \right)$$
(29)

$$\sigma_L^{(0)}(s', q^2) = 16\pi\alpha\alpha_s e_H^2 K_{g\gamma} N_C C_F \left(\frac{-q^2 s}{s'^3}\right) \left(\beta + \frac{2m^2}{s} \ln(\chi)\right)$$
(30)

$$\sigma_P^{(0)}(s', q^2) = 4\pi\alpha\alpha_s e_H^2 K_{g\gamma} N_C C_F \frac{1}{s'^2} \left((3s + q^2)\beta + (s + q^2) \ln(\chi) \right)$$
(31)

from which we also see

$$\lim_{s \to 4m^2} \sigma_T^{(0)}(s', q^2) = 4\pi\alpha\alpha_s e_H^2 K_{g\gamma} N_C C_F \frac{\beta}{4m^2 - q^2} + O(\beta^3) = \lim_{s \to 4m^2} \sigma_P^{(0)}(s', q^2)$$
(32)

3 Next-To-Leading Order Calculations

Next-to-leading order contributions can be split into three parts: one loop virtual contributions, one gluon radiation and light quark processes. **FiXme Error: more?**

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3.1 One Loop Virtual Contributions

Virtual contributions have the same initial and final state as the Born process, but have a looping particle. All contributing Feynman diagrams are depicted in figure **FiXme Error:** do. The result can then be written as

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$$\hat{\sum}_{k,\sigma} \mathcal{P}_{k}^{\mu\mu'} \sum_{j} \left[\mathcal{M}_{j,\mu}^{(1),V} \left(\mathcal{M}_{1,\mu'}^{(0)} + \mathcal{M}_{2,\mu'}^{(0)} \right)^{*} + c.c. \right]
= 8g^{4}e^{2}e_{H}^{2}N_{C}C_{F}C_{\epsilon} \left(\frac{\mu_{D}^{2}}{m^{2}} \right)^{-\epsilon/2} \left(C_{A}V_{k,OK} + 2C_{F}V_{k,QED} \right)$$
(33)

where $C_{\epsilon} = \exp(\epsilon/2(\gamma_E - \ln(4\pi)))/(16\pi^2)$ and C_A is the second Casimir constant of the adjoint representation for the gluon (that introduces a non-abelian part).

For the computation of the loops the Passarino-Veltman-decomposition [10] in $n = 4 + \epsilon$ dimension is used as far as possible. The decomposition is based on Lorentz invariance and a good explanation is for example given in [2]. The needed scalar integrals are given in [11] and [1], but there is also one wrong integral: we find with [12, Box 16]:

$$D_{0}(m^{2}, 0, q^{2}, m^{2}, t, s, 0, m^{2}, m^{2}, m^{2})$$

$$= \frac{iC_{\epsilon}}{\beta s t_{1}} \left[-\frac{2 \ln(\chi)}{\epsilon} - 2 \ln(\chi) \ln(-t_{1}/m^{2}) + \text{Li}_{2}(1 - \chi^{2}) - 4\zeta(2) + \ln^{2}(\chi_{q}) + 2 \text{Li}_{2}(-\chi \chi_{q}) + 2 \ln(\chi \chi_{q}) \ln(1 + \chi \chi_{q}) + 2 \ln(\chi \chi_{q}) \ln(1 + \chi \chi_{q}) \right]$$

$$(34)$$

where we used the argument ordering of LoopTools[13, 14] (and also checked it against LoopTools).

As the short example above shows are the full expressions for the $V_{k,OK}$, $V_{k,QED}$ quite complicated and too long to be presented here, nevertheless are the arising poles quite compact:

$$V_{k,OK} = -2B_{k,QED} \left(\frac{4}{\epsilon^2} + \left(\ln(-t_1/m^2) + \ln(-u_1/m^2) - \frac{2m^2 - s}{s} \ln(\chi) \right) \frac{2}{\epsilon} \right) + O(\epsilon^0)$$
(35)

$$V_{k,QED} = -2B_{k,QED} \left(1 - \frac{2m^2 - s}{s} \ln(\chi) \right) \frac{2}{\epsilon} + O(\epsilon^0)$$
(36)

The above results already include the mass renormalization that we have performed *on-shell*, so all ultra-violet poles have been removed. For the renormalization of the strong

coupling we use the $\overline{\mathrm{MS}}_m$ scheme defined in [2] and so the full renormalization can be achieved by

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_k^{(1),V,ren.}}{dt_1 du_1} = \frac{d^2 \sigma_k^{(1),V}}{dt_1 du_1} + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_R^2)}{4\pi} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\epsilon} + \gamma_E - \ln(4\pi) + \ln(\mu_R^2/m^2) - \ln(\mu_D^2/m^2) \right) \beta_0 + \frac{2}{3} \ln(\mu_R^2/m^2) \right] \frac{d^2 \sigma_k^{(0)}}{dt_1 du_1} \tag{37}$$

with μ_R the renormalization scale introduced by the RGE, $\beta_0 = (11C_A - 2n_f)/3$ the first coefficient of the beta function and n_f the number of total flavours (i.e. $n_{lf} = n_f - 1$ active (light) flavours and one heavy flavour). The double poles occurring in $V_{k,OK}$ are introduced by the diagrams **FiXme Error**: do when the soft and collinear singularities coincide.

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The double differential partonic cross section is given by

$$s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k}^{(1),V}(s',t_{1},u_{1},q^{2})}{dt_{1} du_{1}} = 2^{8} \alpha \alpha_{s}^{2} e_{H}^{2} K_{g\gamma} N_{C} C_{F} E_{k}(\epsilon) b_{k}(\epsilon) \delta(s'+t_{1}+u_{1}) \frac{\pi^{4} S_{\epsilon}}{\Gamma(1+\epsilon/2)}$$

$$\left(\frac{(t_{1} u'_{1} - s'm^{2})s' - q^{2} t_{1}^{2}}{m^{2} s'^{2}}\right)^{\epsilon/2} C_{\epsilon} \left(\frac{\mu_{D}^{2}}{m^{2}}\right)^{-\epsilon/2}$$

$$\left(C_{A} V_{k,OK} + 2C_{F} V_{k,OED}\right)$$
(38)

3.2 Single Gluon Radiation

In next-to-leading order we have to consider the following process:

$$\gamma^*(q; \sigma_q) + g(k_1; \sigma_{k_1}) \to Q(p_1) + \overline{Q}(p_2) + g(k_2)$$
 (39)

All contributing diagrams are depicted in figure **FiXme Error: do** and the result can be written as

$$\hat{\sum}_{k,\sigma} \mathcal{P}_{k}^{\mu\mu'} \sum_{j,j'} \mathcal{M}_{j,\mu}^{(1),g} \, \mathcal{M}_{j',\mu'}^{(1),g^*} = 8g^4 e^2 e_H^2 N_C C_F \left(C_A R_{k,OK} + 2C_F R_{k,QED} \right) \tag{40}$$

and it will depend on ten kinematical invariants:

$$s = (q + k_1)^2 t_1 = (k_1 - p_2)^2 - m^2 u_1 = (q - p_2)^2 - m^2 (41)$$

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$$s_3 = (k_2 + p_2)^2 - m^2 s_4 = (k_2 + p_1)^2 - m^2 s_5 = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = -u_5 (42)$$

$$t' = (k_1 - k_2)^2 (43)$$

$$u' = (q - k_2)^2$$
 $u_6 = (k_1 - p_1)^2 - m^2$ $u_7 = (q - p_1)^2 - m^2$ (44)

from which only five are independent as can be seen from momentum conservation $k_1+q=$ $p_1 + p_2 + k_2$ and s, t_1, u_1 match to their leading order definition.

The $2 \rightarrow 3$ *n*-dimensional phase space is given by

$$dPS_{3} = \int \frac{d^{n}p_{1}}{(2\pi)^{n-1}} \frac{d^{n}p_{2}}{(2\pi)^{n-1}} \frac{d^{n}k_{2}}{(2\pi)^{n-1}} (2\pi)^{n} \delta^{(n)}(k_{1} + q - p_{1} - p_{2} - k_{2})$$

$$\Theta(p_{1,0})\delta(p_{1}^{2} - m^{2})\Theta(p_{2,0})\delta(p_{2}^{2} - m^{2})\Theta(k_{2,0})\delta(k_{2}^{2})$$

$$(45)$$

This can be solved by writing eq. (45) as product of a $2 \to 2$ decay and a subsequent $1 \to 2$ decay [11]. We find

$$dPS_3 = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^n \Gamma(n-3)} \frac{s_4^{n-3}}{(s_4 + m^2)^{n/2 - 1}} \left(\frac{(t_1 u_1' - s'm^2)s' - q^2 t_1^2}{s'^2} \right)^{(n-4)/2} dt_1 du_1 d\Omega_n d\hat{\mathcal{I}}$$
(46)

with $d\Omega_n=\sin^{n-3}(\theta_1)d\theta_1\sin^{n-4}(\theta_2)d\theta_2$ and $d\hat{\mathcal{I}}$ taking care of all occurring hat momenta:

$$d\hat{\mathcal{I}} = \frac{1}{B(1/2, (n-4)/2)} \frac{x^{(n-6)/2}}{\sqrt{1-x}} dx \qquad \text{with } x = \hat{p}_1^2/\hat{p}_{1,max}$$
 (47)

$$d\hat{p}_{1,max} = \frac{s_4^2}{4(s_4 + m^2)} \sin^2(\theta_1) \sin^2(\theta_2)$$
(48)

$$\Rightarrow \int d\hat{\mathcal{I}} = 1 \qquad \int d\hat{\mathcal{I}} \, \hat{p}_1^2 = \epsilon \hat{p}_{1,max} + O(\epsilon^2) \tag{49}$$

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The needed phase space integrals for θ_1 and θ_2 can be found in [11] and [2]. **FiXme** Error: introduce psLogs? in appendix?

Again when integrating the phase space angles the expressions become quite lengthy, but the (collinear) pole parts are compact:

$$\frac{s_4}{4\pi(s_4 + m^2)} \int d\Omega_n d\hat{\mathcal{I}} \, C_A R_{k,OK} = -\frac{1}{u_1} B_{k,QED} \left(\begin{array}{c} s' \to x_1 s' \\ t_1 \to x_1 t_1 \end{array} \right) P_{k,gg}^H(x_1) \frac{2}{\epsilon} + O(\epsilon^0) \quad (50)$$

with $x_1 = -u_1/(s'+t_1)$ and the hard part of the Altarelli-Parisi splitting functions $P_{k,gg}^H[15, 16]$:

$$P_{G,gg}^{H} = P_{L,gg}^{H} = C_A \left(\frac{2}{1-x} + \frac{2}{x} - 4 + 2x - 2x^2 \right)$$
 (51)

$$P_{P,gg}^{H} = C_A \left(\frac{2}{1-x} - 4x + 2 \right) \tag{52}$$

The $R_{k,QED}$ do not contain poles.

The double differential partonic cross section is given by

$$s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k}^{(1),R}(s',t_{1},u_{1},q^{2})}{dt_{1} du_{1}} = 2^{7} \alpha \alpha_{s}^{2} e_{H}^{2} K_{g\gamma} N_{C} C_{F} E_{k}(\epsilon) b_{k}(\epsilon) \frac{\pi^{3} S_{\epsilon}^{2}}{\Gamma(1+\epsilon)} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \left(\frac{(t_{1} u'_{1} - s'm^{2})s' - q^{2} t_{1}^{2}}{m^{2} s'^{2}}\right)^{\epsilon/2} \left(\frac{s_{4}^{2}}{m^{2} (s_{4} + m^{2})}\right)^{\epsilon/2} \left(\frac{\mu_{D}^{2}}{m^{2}}\right)^{-\epsilon} \int d\Omega_{n} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} \left(C_{A} R_{k,OK} + 2C_{F} R_{k,QED}\right)$$

$$(53)$$

From the above expression we can obtain the soft limit $k_2 \to 0$ and seperate their calculations:

$$\lim_{k_2 \to 0} \left(C_A R_{k,OK} + 2C_F R_{k,QED} \right) = \left(C_A S_{k,OK} + 2C_F S_{k,QED} \right) + O(1/s_4, 1/s_3, 1/t') \tag{54}$$

$$S_{k,OK} = 2\left(\frac{t_1}{t's_3} + \frac{u_1}{t's_4} - \frac{s - 2m^2}{s_3 s_4}\right) B_{k,QED}$$
 (55)

$$S_{k,QED} = 2\left(\frac{s - 2m^2}{s_3 s_4} - \frac{m^2}{s_3^2} - \frac{m^2}{s_4^2}\right) B_{k,QED}$$
 (56)

Note that the einkonal factors multiplying the Born functions $B_{k,QED}$ neither depend on q^2 nor on the projection k. We can then split the phase space by introducing an infrared cut-off Δ and distinguish then between soft $s_4 \leq \Delta$ and hard $s_4 > \Delta$ contributions. Let $\mathcal{R}(s_4)$ be a function with a soft pole $s_4^{-1+\epsilon}\mathcal{S}(s_4)$ and a finite part $\mathcal{F}(s_4)$, we then find [2]:

$$\int_{0}^{s_{4,max}} \mathcal{R}(s_4) = \int_{0}^{s_{4,max}} \left(s_4^{-1+\epsilon} \mathcal{S}(s_4) + \mathcal{F}(s_4) \right)$$
 (57)

$$\simeq \frac{\Delta^{\epsilon}}{\epsilon} \mathcal{S}(0) + \int_{\Lambda}^{s_{4,max}} \mathcal{R}(s_4)$$
 (58)

This expansion is valid for Δ being small, i.e. smaller then any leading order scale or m^2 ; a typical choice is $\Delta/m^2 \sim 10^{-6}$. We then find

$$\frac{s_4^2}{2\pi(s_4 + m^2)} \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\zeta(2)\epsilon^2 \right) \int d\Omega_n d\hat{\mathcal{I}} S_{k,QED}$$

$$= 2B_{k,QED} \left[-\frac{2}{\epsilon} \left(1 + \frac{s - 2m^2}{s\beta} \ln(\chi) \right) + 1 - \frac{s - m^2}{s\beta} \left(\ln(\chi) \left(1 + \ln(\chi) \right) + \text{Li}_2(1 - \chi^2) \right) \right]$$

$$\frac{s_4^2}{4\pi(s_4 + m^2)} \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\zeta(2)\epsilon^2 \right) \int d\Omega_n d\hat{\mathcal{I}} S_{k,OK}$$

$$= B_{k,QED} \left[\frac{4}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{2}{\epsilon} \left(\ln(t_1/u_1) + \frac{s - 2m^2}{s\beta} \ln(\chi) \right) - \ln^2(\chi) - \frac{3}{2}\zeta(2) + \frac{1}{2}\ln^2(t_1/(u_1\chi)) \right]$$

$$+ \text{Li}_2(1 - t_1/(u_1\chi)) - \text{Li}_2(1 - u_1/(t_1\chi)) + \frac{s - 2m^2}{s\beta} \left(\text{Li}_2(1 - \chi^2) + \ln^2(\chi) \right) \right]$$

$$(60)$$

(Note the mistyped sign of $\ln(\chi)^2$ in [1, eq. (3.25)]) The additional factors originate from the difference between the $2 \to 3$ phasespace of R_k and the $2 \to 2$ phasespace needed for S_k .

The double differential partonic cross section is given by

$$s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k}^{(1),S}(s',t_{1},u_{1},q^{2})}{dt_{1}du_{1}}$$

$$= 2^{8} \alpha \sigma_{s}^{2} e_{H}^{2} K_{g\gamma} N_{C} C_{F} E_{k}(\epsilon) b_{k}(\epsilon) \delta(s'+t_{1}+u_{1}) \frac{\pi^{4} S_{\epsilon}}{\Gamma(1+\epsilon/2)}$$

$$\left(\frac{(t_{1} u'_{1} - s' m^{2}) s' - q^{2} t_{1}^{2}}{m^{2} s'^{2}}\right)^{\epsilon/2} C_{\epsilon} \left(\frac{\mu_{D}^{2}}{m^{2}}\right)^{-\epsilon} \left(\frac{\Delta}{m^{2}}\right)^{\epsilon}$$

$$\frac{s_{4}^{2}}{4\pi (s_{4} + m^{2})} \left(1 - \frac{3}{8} \zeta(2) \epsilon^{2}\right) \int d\Omega_{n} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} \left(C_{A} S_{k,OK} + 2C_{F} S_{k,QED}\right)$$
(61)

3.3 Light Quark Processes

In next-to-leading order a new production mechanism enters, that is induced by a light quark, so we have to consider the process

$$\gamma^*(q; \sigma_q) + q(k_1; \sigma_{k_1}) \to Q(p_1) + \overline{Q}(p_2) + q(k_2)$$
 (62)

All contributing diagrams are depicted in figure **FiXme Error: do** and the result can be written as

$$\hat{\sum}_{k,\sigma} \mathcal{P}_{k}^{\mu\mu'} \sum_{j,j'} \mathcal{M}_{j,\mu}^{(1),q} \mathcal{M}_{j',\mu'}^{(1),q*} = 8g^{4}e^{2}N_{C}C_{F} \left(e_{H}^{2}A_{k,1} + e_{L}^{2}A_{k,2} + e_{L}e_{H}A_{k,3}\right)$$
(63)

where e_L denotes the charge of the light quark q in units of e.

4 Mass Factorization

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5 Partonic Results

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7 Summary

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