#### 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  $\gamma_5$ . 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

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

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)

**FiXme Error: move to LO?** The Lorentz indices  $\mu$  and  $\mu'$  refer to the virtual photon that is exchanged with the scattering lepton.

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

$$\begin{split} W_{\mu\mu'}(k_1,q;s,t_1,u_1,q^2;\sigma_{k_1},\sigma_q) &= \left(-g_{\mu\mu'} + \frac{q_{\mu}q_{\mu'}}{q^2}\right) \frac{d^2\sigma_T(s,t_1,u_1,q^2)}{dt_1du_1} \\ &+ \left(k_{1,\mu} - \frac{k_1 \cdot q}{q^2}q_{\mu}\right) \left(k_{1,\mu'} - \frac{k_1 \cdot q}{q^2}q_{\mu'}\right) \left(\frac{-4q^2}{s'^2}\right) \\ &\cdot \left(\frac{d^2\sigma_T(s,t_1,u_1,q^2)}{dt_1du_1} + \frac{d^2\sigma_L(s,t_1,u_1,q^2)}{dt_1du_1}\right) \end{split} \tag{6}$$

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

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

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

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

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$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_k(s, t_1, u_1, q^2)}{dt_1 t u_1} = b_k(\epsilon) \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{k, \mu \mu'}^{\gamma} W^{\mu \mu'}$$
(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 the polarized projection k = P they are projected on their asymmetric part:

$$\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{G}^{\mathbf{g}} \varepsilon_{\nu}^{(\sigma_{k})}(k_{1}) \varepsilon_{\nu'}^{*(\sigma_{k})}(k_{1}) = \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{L}^{\mathbf{g}} \varepsilon_{\nu}^{(\sigma_{k})}(k_{1}) \varepsilon_{\nu'}^{*(\sigma_{k})}(k_{1}) = -g_{\nu\nu'}$$

$$\tag{13}$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{P}^{g} \varepsilon_{\nu}^{(\sigma_{k})}(k_{1}) \varepsilon_{\nu'}^{*(\sigma_{k})}(k_{1}) = 2i\epsilon_{\nu\nu'\rho\rho'} \frac{k_{1}^{\rho}q^{\rho}}{s'}$$
(14)

By writing eq. (13) we decided to introduce Fadeev-Popov ghosts[2] as we got a single diagram in next-to-leading order with a triple-gluon vertex **FiXme Error: explain ghosts?**. As we can consider all quarks in the initial state as massless, we further find

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$$\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{G}^{q}u(k_{1})\bar{u}(k_{1}) = \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{L}^{q}u(k_{1})\bar{u}(k_{1}) = k_{1} \qquad \qquad \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{P}^{q}u(k_{1})\bar{u}(k_{1}) = -\gamma_{5}k_{1} \qquad (15)$$

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We define a set of partonic variables:

$$0 \le \rho = \frac{4m^2}{s} \le 1$$
  $0 \le \beta = \sqrt{1-\rho} \le 1$   $0 \le \chi = \frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta} \le 1$  (17)

$$\rho_q = \frac{4m^2}{q^2} \le 0 \qquad 1 \le \beta_q = \sqrt{1 - \rho_q} \qquad 0 \le \chi_q = -\frac{1 - \beta_q}{1 + \beta_q} \le 1 \qquad (18)$$

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].

## 2 Leading Order Calculations

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

$$\gamma^*(q) + g(k_1) \to Q(p_1) + \overline{Q}(p_2) \tag{19}$$

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

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$$\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{k}^{\gamma,\mu\mu'}\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{k}^{g}\sum_{j=1}^{2}\mathcal{M}_{j,\mu}^{(0)}\mathcal{M}_{j,\mu'}^{(0)*} = 8g^{2}\mu_{D}^{-\epsilon}e^{2}e_{H}^{2}N_{C}C_{F}B_{k,QED}$$
(20)

where g and e are the strong and electromagnetic coupling constants respectively,  $\mu_D$  is an arbitray mass parameter introduced to keep the couplings dimensionless and  $e_H$  is the magnitude of the heavy quark in units of 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:

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

$$(21)$$

$$B_{L,QED} = -\frac{4q^2}{s'} \left( \frac{s}{s'} - \frac{m^2 s'}{t_1 u_1} \right) \tag{22}$$

$$B_{P,QED} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{t_1}{u_1} + \frac{u_1}{t_1} \right) \left( \frac{2m^2 s'}{t_1 u_1} - 1 - \frac{2q^2}{s'} \right)$$
 (23)

$$B_{k,QED} = B_{k,QED}^{(0)} + \epsilon B_{k,QED}^{(1)} + \epsilon^2 B_{k,QED}^{(2)}$$
(24)

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

$$dPS_2 = \int \frac{d^n p_1}{(2\pi)^{n-1}} \frac{d^n p_2}{(2\pi)^{n-1}} \Theta(p_{1,0}) \delta(p_1^2 - m^2) \Theta(p_{2,0}) \delta(p_2^2 - m^2) (2\pi)^n \delta^{(n)}(k_1 + q - p_1 - p_2)$$
(25)

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

$$q = \left(\frac{s+q^2}{2\sqrt{s}}, 0, 0, -\frac{s-q^2}{2\sqrt{s}}, \hat{0}\right) \qquad k_1 = \frac{s-q^2}{2\sqrt{s}} (1, 0, 0, 1, \hat{0})$$
 (26)

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

$$p_1 = \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} \left( 1, 0, \beta \sin \theta, \beta \cos \theta, \hat{0} \right) \qquad p_2 = \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} \left( 1, 0, -\beta \sin \theta, -\beta \cos \theta, \hat{0} \right)$$
 (27)

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

$$d^{n}x = \frac{2\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(n/2)}x^{n-1}dx = \frac{\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(n/2)}(x^{2})^{(n-2)/2}dx^{2}$$
(28)

and arrive at the well known result[1]

$$dPS_2 = \frac{\delta(s' + t_1 + u_1)}{2s'\Gamma((n-2)/2)(4\pi)^{(n-2)/2}} \left(\frac{(t_1u_1' - s'm^2)s' - q^2t_1^2}{s'^2}\right)^{(n-4)/2} dt_1 du_1$$
(29)

$$= \delta(s' + t_1 + u_1)h_2(n) dt_1 du_1 \tag{30}$$

$$h_2(4+\epsilon) = \frac{2\pi S_{\epsilon}}{s'\Gamma(1+\epsilon/2)} \left( \frac{(t_1 u_1' - s'm^2)s' - q^2 t_1^2}{s'^2} \right)^{\epsilon/2}$$
(31)

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

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

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

$$\left(\frac{(t_{1} u'_{1} - s' m^{2}) s' - q^{2} t_{1}^{2}}{m^{2} s'^{2}}\right)^{\epsilon/2} \left(\frac{\mu_{D}^{2}}{m^{2}}\right)^{-\epsilon/2} B_{k,QED}$$
(32)

where we used  $e^2 = 4\pi\alpha$  and  $g^2 = 4\pi\alpha_s$ . The color average is given by  $K_{\rm g\gamma} = 1/(N_C^2 - 1)$ .

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

$$\sigma_G^{(0)}(s, q^2, m^2) = -4\pi\alpha\alpha_s e_H^2 K_{g\gamma} N_C C_F \frac{1}{s'^3} \left( (s^2 + q^4 + 4m^2 s)\beta + (s^2 + q^4 - 4m^2 (2m^2 - s')) \ln(\chi) \right)$$
(33)

$$\sigma_L^{(0)}(s, q^2, m^2) = 16\pi\alpha\alpha_s e_H^2 K_{g\gamma} N_C C_F \left(\frac{-q^2 s}{s'^3}\right) \left(\beta + \frac{2m^2}{s} \ln(\chi)\right)$$
(34)

$$\sigma_P^{(0)}(s, q^2, m^2) = 4\pi\alpha\alpha_s e_H^2 K_{g\gamma} N_C C_F \frac{1}{s'^2} \left( (3s + q^2)\beta + (s + q^2) \ln(\chi) \right)$$
(35)

from which we also find

$$\lim_{s \to 4m^2} \sigma_T^{(0)}(s', q^2) = 4\pi\alpha\alpha_s e_H^2 K_{g\gamma} N_C C_F \frac{\beta}{4m^2 - q^2} + O(\beta^3) = \lim_{s \to 4m^2} \sigma_P^{(0)}(s', q^2)$$
(36)

$$\lim_{s \to 4m^2} \sigma_L^{(0)}(s', q^2) = -\frac{128}{3} \pi \alpha \alpha_s e_H^2 K_{g\gamma} N_C C_F \frac{m^2 q^2 \beta^3}{(4m^2 - q^2)^3} + O(\beta^5)$$
(37)

(Note the missing factor of 2 in [1, eq. (5.9)].) FiXme Error: shift to partonic?

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## 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 the 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

$$\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{k}^{\gamma,\mu\mu'}\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{k}^{g} \sum_{j} \left[ \mathcal{M}_{j,\mu}^{(1),V} \left( \mathcal{M}_{1,\mu'}^{(0)} + \mathcal{M}_{2,\mu'}^{(0)} \right)^{*} + c.c. \right] 
= 8g^{4} \mu_{D}^{-\epsilon} e^{2} e_{H}^{2} N_{C} C_{F} C_{\epsilon} \left( C_{A} V_{k,OK} + 2 C_{F} V_{k,QED} \right)$$
(38)

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]:

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

$$= \frac{iC_{\epsilon}}{\beta s t_{1}} \left[ -\frac{2 \ln(\chi)}{\epsilon} - 2 \ln(\chi) \ln(-t_{1}/m^{2}) + \text{Li}_{2}(1 - \chi^{2}) - 4\zeta(2) + \ln^{2}(\chi_{q}) + 2 \text{Li}_{2}(-\chi \chi_{q}) + 2 \ln(\chi \chi_{q}) \ln(1 + \chi \chi_{q}) + 2 \ln(\chi \chi_{q}) \ln(1 + \chi \chi_{q}) \right]$$
(39)

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

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

$$V_{k,OK} = -2B_{k,QED} \left( \frac{4}{\epsilon^2} + \left( \ln(-t_1/m^2) + \ln(-u_1/m^2) - \frac{2m^2 - s}{s} \ln(\chi) \right) \frac{2}{\epsilon} \right) + O(\epsilon^0)$$
(40)

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

$$\tag{41}$$

The above results already include the mass renormalization that we have performed onshell, so all ultra-violet poles have been removed. For the renormalization of the strong coupling we use the  $\overline{\rm MS}_m$  scheme defined in [2] and so the full (remaining) renormalization can be achieved by

$$\frac{d^{2}\sigma_{k}^{(1),V,ren.}}{dt_{1}du_{1}} = \frac{d^{2}\sigma_{k}^{(1),V}}{dt_{1}du_{1}} + \frac{\alpha_{s}(\mu_{R}^{2})}{4\pi} \left[ \left( \frac{2}{\epsilon} + \gamma_{E} - \ln(4\pi) + \ln(\mu_{R}^{2}/m^{2}) - \ln(\mu_{D}^{2}/m^{2}) \right) \beta_{0}^{f} + \frac{2}{3} \ln(\mu_{R}^{2}/m^{2}) \right] \frac{d^{2}\sigma_{k}^{(0)}}{dt_{1}du_{1}}$$

$$= \frac{d^{2}\sigma_{k}^{(1),V}}{dt_{1}du_{1}} + 4\pi\alpha_{s}(\mu_{R}^{2})C_{\epsilon} \left( \frac{\mu_{D}^{2}}{m^{2}} \right)^{-\epsilon/2} \left[ \left( \frac{2}{\epsilon} + \ln(\mu_{R}^{2}/m^{2}) \right) \beta_{0}^{f} + \frac{2}{3} \ln(\mu_{R}^{2}/m^{2}) \right] \frac{d^{2}\sigma_{k}^{(0)}}{dt_{1}du_{1}}$$

$$+ \frac{2}{3} \ln(\mu_{R}^{2}/m^{2}) \left[ \frac{d^{2}\sigma_{k}^{(0)}}{dt_{1}du_{1}} \right]$$

$$(43)$$

with  $\mu_R$  the renormalization scale introduced by the RGE,  $\beta_0^f = (11C_A - 2n_f)/3$  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.

The double differential partonic cross section is given by

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

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

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

$$(44)$$

The results agree in the photo-production limit  $(q^2 \to 0)$  with [15] **FiXme Error: Matrix** FiXme Error! elements available upon request.

#### 3.2 Single Gluon Radiation

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

$$\gamma^*(q) + g(k_1) \to Q(p_1) + \overline{Q}(p_2) + g(k_2)$$
 (45)

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

$$\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{k}^{\gamma,\mu\mu'}\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{k}^{g} \sum_{j,j'} \mathcal{M}_{j,\mu}^{(1),g} \,\mathcal{M}_{j',\mu'}^{(1),g^{*}} = 8g^{4}\mu_{D}^{-2\epsilon}e^{2}e_{H}^{2}N_{C}C_{F}\left(C_{A}R_{k,OK} + 2C_{F}R_{k,QED}\right) \tag{46}$$

and it will depend on ten kinematical invariants:

$$s = (q + k_1)^2 t_1 = (k_1 - p_2)^2 - m^2 u_1 = (q - p_2)^2 - m^2 (47)$$
  

$$s_3 = (k_2 + p_2)^2 - m^2 s_4 = (k_2 + p_1)^2 - m^2 s_5 = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = -u_5 (48)$$

$$s_3 = (k_2 + p_2)^2 - m^2$$
  $s_4 = (k_2 + p_1)^2 - m^2$   $s_5 = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = -u_5$  (48)

$$t' = (k_1 - k_2)^2 (49)$$

$$u' = (q - k_2)^2$$
  $u_6 = (k_1 - p_1)^2 - m^2$   $u_7 = (q - p_1)^2 - m^2$  (50)

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

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

$$\Theta(p_{1,0})\delta(p_{1}^{2} - m^{2})\Theta(p_{2,0})\delta(p_{2}^{2} - m^{2})\Theta(k_{2,0})\delta(k_{2}^{2})$$
(51)

This can be solved by writing eq. (51) as product of a  $2 \to 2$  decay and a subsequent  $1 \to 2$  decay[11]. We find

$$dPS_{3} = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{n} \Gamma(n-3)s'} \frac{s_{4}^{n-3}}{(s_{4}+m^{2})^{n/2-1}} \left( \frac{(t_{1}u'_{1}-s'm^{2})s'-q^{2}t_{1}^{2}}{s'^{2}} \right)^{(n-4)/2} dt_{1} du_{1} d\Omega_{n} d\hat{\mathcal{I}}$$
(52)

$$= h_3(n) dt_1 du_1 d\Omega_n d\hat{\mathcal{I}} \tag{53}$$

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:

$$d\hat{\mathcal{I}} = \frac{1}{B(1/2, (n-4)/2)} \frac{x^{(n-6)/2}}{\sqrt{1-x}} dx \qquad \text{with } x = \hat{p}_1^2 / \hat{p}_{1,max}$$
 (54)

$$\hat{p}_{1,max} = \frac{s_4^2}{4(s_4 + m^2)} \sin^2(\theta_1) \sin^2(\theta_2)$$
(55)

$$\Rightarrow \int d\hat{\mathcal{I}} = 1 \qquad \int d\hat{\mathcal{I}} \, \hat{p}_1^2 = \epsilon \hat{p}_{1,max} + O(\epsilon^2) \tag{56}$$

The needed phase space integrals for  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  can be found in [11] and [2]. We find for the difference to the  $2 \to 2$  phase space

$$\frac{h_3(4+\epsilon)}{h_2(4+\epsilon)} = \frac{S_{\epsilon}}{2\pi} \frac{\Gamma(1+\epsilon/2)}{\Gamma(1+\epsilon)} \frac{s_4^{1+\epsilon}}{(s_4+m^2)^{1+\epsilon/2}}$$
(57)

$$= \frac{C_{\epsilon}}{2\pi} \left( 1 - \frac{3}{8} \zeta(2) \epsilon^2 \right) \frac{s_4^{1+\epsilon}}{(s_4 + m^2)^{1+\epsilon/2}} + O(\epsilon^3)$$
 (58)

where  $\zeta$  is Riemanns zeta function. 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:

$$\frac{s_4}{4\pi(s_4 + m^2)} \int d\Omega_n d\hat{\mathcal{I}} C_A R_{k,OK} = -\frac{1}{u_1} B_{k,QED} \begin{pmatrix} s' \to x_1 s' \\ t_1 \to x_1 t_1 \end{pmatrix} P_{k,gg}^H(x_1) \frac{2}{\epsilon} + O(\epsilon^0)$$
 (59)

with  $x_1 = -u_1/(s' + t_1)$  and the hard part of the Altarelli-Parisi splitting functions  $P_{k,gg}^H[16, 17]$ :

$$P_{G,gg}^{H}(x) = P_{L,gg}^{H}(x) = C_A \left( \frac{2}{1-x} + \frac{2}{x} - 4 + 2x - 2x^2 \right)$$
 (60)

$$P_{P,gg}^{H}(x) = C_A \left(\frac{2}{1-x} - 4x + 2\right)$$
 (61)

The  $R_{k,OED}$  do not contain poles. FiXme Error: shift to factorization?

The double differential partonic cross section is given by

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

$$(62)$$

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

$$\lim_{k_2 \to 0} \left( C_A R_{k,OK} + 2C_F R_{k,QED} \right) = \left( C_A S_{k,OK} + 2C_F S_{k,QED} \right) + O(1/s_4, 1/s_3, 1/t')$$
 (63)

$$S_{k,OK} = 2\left(\frac{t_1}{t's_3} + \frac{u_1}{t's_4} - \frac{s - 2m^2}{s_3 s_4}\right) B_{k,QED}$$
(64)

$$S_{k,QED} = 2\left(\frac{s - 2m^2}{s_3 s_4} - \frac{m^2}{s_3^2} - \frac{m^2}{s_4^2}\right) B_{k,QED}$$
 (65)

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  $\Delta$  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]:

$$\int_{0}^{s_{4,max}} \mathcal{R}(s_4) = \int_{0}^{s_{4,max}} \left( s_4^{-1+\epsilon} \mathcal{S}(s_4) + \mathcal{F}(s_4) \right)$$
 (66)

$$\simeq \frac{\Delta^{\epsilon}}{\epsilon} \mathcal{S}(0) + \int_{\Delta}^{s_{4,max}} \mathcal{R}(s_4)$$
 (67)

This expansion is valid for  $\Delta$  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

$$\frac{s_4^2}{4\pi(s_4 + m^2)} \left( 1 - \frac{3}{8}\zeta(2)\epsilon^2 \right) \int d\Omega_n d\hat{\mathcal{I}} S_{k,QED} 
= B_{k,QED} \left[ -\frac{2}{\epsilon} \left( 1 + \frac{s - 2m^2}{s\beta} \ln(\chi) \right) + 1 - \frac{s - m^2}{s\beta} \left( \ln(\chi) \left( 1 + \ln(\chi) \right) + \text{Li}_2(1 - \chi^2) \right) \right] 
\frac{s_4^2}{4\pi(s_4 + m^2)} \left( 1 - \frac{3}{8}\zeta(2)\epsilon^2 \right) \int d\Omega_n d\hat{\mathcal{I}} S_{k,OK} 
= B_{k,QED} \left[ \frac{4}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{2}{\epsilon} \left( \ln(t_1/u_1) + \frac{s - 2m^2}{s\beta} \ln(\chi) \right) - \ln^2(\chi) - \frac{3}{2}\zeta(2) + \frac{1}{2}\ln^2(t_1/(u_1\chi)) \right] 
+ \text{Li}_2(1 - t_1/(u_1\chi)) - \text{Li}_2(1 - u_1/(t_1\chi)) + \frac{s - 2m^2}{s\beta} \left( \text{Li}_2(1 - \chi^2) + \ln^2(\chi) \right) \right] (69)$$

(Note the mistyped sign of  $\ln(\chi)^2$  in [1, eq. (3.25)]) The additional factors on the left hand sides 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

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

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

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

$$\frac{s_{4}^{2}}{4\pi (s_{4} + m^{2})} \left(1 - \frac{3}{8} \zeta(2) \epsilon^{2}\right) \int d\Omega_{n} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} \left(C_{A} S_{k,OK} + 2C_{F} S_{k,QED}\right)$$
(70)

The results agree in the photo-production limit  $(q^2 \to 0)$  with [15].

#### 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

$$\gamma^*(q) + q(k_1) \to Q(p_1) + \overline{Q}(p_2) + q(k_2)$$
 (71)

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

written as

$$\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{k}^{\gamma,\mu\mu'}\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{k}^{q}\sum_{j,j'}\mathcal{M}_{j,\mu}^{(1),q}\mathcal{M}_{j',\mu'}^{(1),q^{*}} = 8g^{4}\mu_{D}^{-2\epsilon}e^{2}N_{C}C_{F}\left(e_{H}^{2}A_{k,1} + e_{L}^{2}A_{k,2} + e_{L}e_{H}A_{k,3}\right)$$
(72)

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

The needed  $2 \to 3$  phase space has already been calculated in section 3.2, so we can immediately quote the (collinear) poles:

$$\frac{s_4}{2\pi(s_4 + m^2)} \int d\Omega_n d\hat{\mathcal{I}} C_F A_{k,1} = -\frac{1}{u_1} B_{k,QED} \begin{pmatrix} s' \to x_1 s' \\ t_1 \to x_1 t_1 \end{pmatrix} P_{k,gq}(x_1) \frac{2}{\epsilon} + O(\epsilon^0)$$
 (73)

with  $x_1 = -u_1/(s'+t_1)$  and the Altarelli-Parisi splitting functions  $P_{k,g\,q}[16,\,17]$ :

$$P_{G,gq}(x) = P_{L,gq}(x) = C_F \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{(1-x)^2}{x}\right)$$
 (74)

$$P_{P,gq}(x) = C_F (2 - x) (75)$$

 $A_{k,2}$  does not contain poles and we find  $\int dt_1 du_1 \int d\Omega_n d\hat{\mathcal{I}} A_{k,3} = 0$ . Note that in the limit  $q^2 \to 0$   $A_{k,2}$  will also get collinear poles.

The double differential partonic cross section is given by

$$s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k,q}^{(1)}(s',t_{1},u_{1},q^{2})}{dt_{1} du_{1}} = 2^{7} \alpha \alpha_{s}^{2} K_{q\gamma} N_{C} C_{F} b_{k}(\epsilon) \frac{\pi^{3} S_{\epsilon}^{2}}{\Gamma(1+\epsilon)} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \left( \frac{(t_{1} u'_{1} - s'm^{2})s' - q^{2} t_{1}^{2}}{m^{2} s'^{2}} \right)^{\epsilon/2} \left( \frac{s_{4}^{2}}{m^{2} (s_{4} + m^{2})} \right)^{\epsilon/2} \left( \frac{\mu_{D}^{2}}{m^{2}} \right)^{-\epsilon} \int d\Omega_{n} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} \left( e_{H}^{2} A_{k,1} + e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + e_{H} e_{L} A_{k,3} \right)$$
(76)

with the color average  $K_{q\gamma} = 1/N_C$ .

The results agree in the photo-production limit  $(q^2 \to 0)$  with [15].

#### 4 Mass Factorization

All collinear poles in the gluonic subprocess can be removed by mass factorization in the following way:

$$s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k,g}^{(1),fin}(s',t_{1},u_{1},q^{2},\mu_{F})}{dt_{1} du_{1}} = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \left[ s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k,g}^{(1)}(s',t_{1},u_{1},q^{2},\epsilon)}{dt_{1} du_{1}} - \int_{0}^{1} \frac{dx_{1}}{x_{1}} \Gamma_{k,gg}^{(1)}(x_{1},\mu_{F}^{2},\mu_{D},\epsilon) \right]$$

$$(77)$$

$$(x_1s')^2 \frac{d^2 \sigma_{k,g}^{(0)}(x_1s', x_1t_1, u_1, q^2, \epsilon)}{d(x_1t_1)du_1}$$
 (78)

$$\Gamma_{k,ij}^{(1)}(x,\mu_F^2,\mu_D,\epsilon) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left( P_{k,ij}(x) \frac{2}{\epsilon} + f_{k,ij}(x,\mu_F^2,\mu_D^2) \right)$$
 (79)

where  $\Gamma_{k,ij}^{(1)}$  is the first order correction to the transition functions  $\Gamma_{k,ij}$  for incoming particle j and outgoing particle i in projection k. In the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -scheme the  $f_{k,ij}$  take their usual form and we find

$$\Gamma_{k,ij}^{(1),\overline{\rm MS}}(x,\mu_F^2,\mu_D,\epsilon) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{k,ij}(x) \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon} + \gamma_E - \ln(4\pi) + \ln(\mu_F^2/m^2) - \ln(\mu_D^2/m^2)\right)$$
(80)

$$=8\pi\alpha_s P_{k,ij}(x)C_{\epsilon} \left(\frac{\mu_D^2}{m^2}\right)^{-\epsilon/2} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon} + \ln(\mu_F^2/m^2)\right)$$
(81)

The  $P_{k,ij}(x)$  are the Altarelli-Parisi splitting functions for which we find[16, 17]

$$P_{k,gg}(x) = \Theta(1 - \delta - x)P_{k,gg}^{H}(x) + \delta(1 - x)\left(2C_A \ln(\delta) + \frac{\beta_0}{2}\right)$$
(82)

where we introduced another infrared cut-off  $\delta$  to separate soft  $(x \geq 1 - \delta)$  and hard  $(x < 1 - \delta)$  gluons that is connected to  $\Delta$  via  $\delta = \Delta/(s' + t_1)$ . The structure here explains why we were able to write the equation (59).

The light quark process can be regularized in a complete analogous way:

$$s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k,q}^{(1),fin}(s',t_{1},u_{1},q^{2},\mu_{F})}{dt_{1}du_{1}} = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \left[ s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k,q}^{(1)}(s',t_{1},u_{1},q^{2},\epsilon)}{dt_{1}du_{1}} - \int_{0}^{1} \frac{dx_{1}}{x_{1}} \Gamma_{k,g\,q}^{(1)}(x_{1},\mu_{F}^{2},\mu_{D},\epsilon) \right]$$

$$(x_{1}s')^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k,g}^{(0)}(x_{1}s',x_{1}t_{1},u_{1},q^{2},\epsilon)}{d(x_{1}t_{1})du_{1}}$$
(83)

The needed splitting functions  $P_{k,gq}$  have been already quoted in equations (74) and (75). Note that  $K_{q\gamma} = 1/(N_C) = 2C_F K_{g\gamma}$ .

The final finite cross sections are then

$$s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k,g}^{(1),H,fin}}{dt_{1} du_{1}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} K_{g\gamma} \alpha \alpha_{S} e_{H}^{2} N_{C} C_{F} b_{k}(0) \left[ -\frac{1}{u_{1}} P_{k,gg}^{H}(x_{1}) \right]$$

$$\left\{ 4\pi B_{k,QED}^{(0)} \begin{pmatrix} s' \to x_{1} s' \\ t_{1} \to x_{1} t_{1} \end{pmatrix} \left( \ln \left( \frac{s_{4}^{2}}{m^{2} (s_{4} + m^{2})} \right) - \ln(\mu_{F}^{2} / m^{2}) \right) \right.$$

$$\left. -8\pi B_{k,QED}^{(1)} \begin{pmatrix} s' \to x_{1} s' \\ t_{1} \to x_{1} t_{1} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\left. + C_{A} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \left( \int d\Omega_{n} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} R_{k,QED} \right)^{finite} \right.$$

$$\left. + 2C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} R_{k,QED} \right]$$

$$(84)$$

$$s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k,g}^{(1),S+V,fin}}{dt_{1} du_{1}} = 4K_{g\gamma} \alpha \alpha_{S} e_{H}^{2} N_{C} C_{F} b_{k}(0) B_{k,QED}^{(0)} \delta(s' + t_{1} + u_{1}) \left[ C_{A} \ln^{2}(\Delta/m^{2}) + \ln(\Delta/m^{2}) \left( \left( \ln(-t_{1}/m^{2}) - \ln(-u_{1}/m^{2}) - \ln(\mu_{F}^{2}/m^{2}) \right) C_{A} - \frac{2m^{2} - s}{s\beta} \ln(\chi) (C_{A} - 2C_{F}) - 2C_{F} \right) + \frac{\beta_{0}^{lf}}{4} \left( \ln(\mu_{R}^{2}/m^{2}) - \ln(\mu_{F}^{2}/m^{2}) \right) + f_{k}(s', u_{1}, t_{1}, q^{2}) \right]$$
(85)

where  $f_k$  contains lots of logarithms and dilogarithms, but does not depend on  $\Delta$ ,  $\mu_F^2$ ,  $\mu_R^2$  nor  $n_f$  and  $\beta_0^{lf} = (11C_A - 2n_{lf})/3$ .

$$s'^{2} \frac{d^{2} \sigma_{k,q}^{(1),fin}}{dt_{1} du_{1}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} K_{q\gamma} \alpha \alpha_{S} N_{C} b_{k}(0) \left[ -\frac{1}{u_{1}} e_{H}^{2} P_{k,gq}(x_{1}) \right]$$

$$\left\{ 2\pi B_{k,QED}^{(0)} \begin{pmatrix} s' \to x_{1} s' \\ t_{1} \to x_{1} t_{1} \end{pmatrix} \left( \ln \left( \frac{s_{4}^{2}}{m^{2} (s_{4} + m^{2})} \right) - \ln(\mu_{F}^{2}/m^{2}) + 1 - \delta_{k,P} \right) \right.$$

$$\left. -4\pi B_{k,QED}^{(1)} \begin{pmatrix} s' \to x_{1} s' \\ t_{1} \to x_{1} t_{1} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\left. + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \left( \int d\Omega_{n} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{H}^{2} A_{k,1} \right)^{finite} \right.$$

$$\left. + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{H} e_{L} A_{k,3} \right]$$

$$\left. + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{H} e_{L} A_{k,3} \right]$$

$$\left. + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{H} e_{L} A_{k,3} \right]$$

$$\left. + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{H} e_{L} A_{k,3} \right]$$

$$\left. + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{H} e_{L} A_{k,3} \right]$$

$$\left. + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{H} e_{L} A_{k,3} \right]$$

$$\left. + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} \int d\Omega_{4} d\hat{\mathcal{I}} e_{L}^{2} A_{k,2} + C_{F} \frac{s_{4}}{s_{4} + m^{2}} A$$

where  $1 - \delta_{k,P}$  may also be written as  $-2\partial_{\epsilon}E_k(\epsilon = 0)$  as it originates from the additional factor of  $E_k(\epsilon)$  in the subtraction part of equation (83).

#### 5 Partonic Results

The total partonic cross sections can be computed by

$$\sigma_{k,j}^{(n)}(s,q^2,m^2) = \int_{-s'(1+\beta)/2}^{-s'(1-\beta)/2} dt_1 \int_{0}^{s_{4,max}} ds_4 \frac{d^2 \sigma_{k,j}^{(n),fin}(s',t_1,u_1,q^2)}{dt_1 ds_4}$$
(87)

$$s_{4,max} = \frac{s}{s't_1} \left( t_1 + \frac{s'(1-\beta)}{2} \right) \left( t_1 + \frac{s'(1+\beta)}{2} \right)$$
 (88)

where k denotes as usual projection,  $j \in \{g, q, \bar{q}\}$  is a parton index and we used  $s_4 = s' + t_1 + u_1$ . The result can then be parametrised as

$$\sigma_{k,j}(s,q^{2},m^{2}) = \sigma_{k,j}^{(0)}(s,q^{2},m^{2}) + \sigma_{k,j}^{(1)}(s,q^{2},m^{2})$$

$$= \frac{\alpha \alpha_{S}}{m^{2}} \left( f_{k,j}^{(0)}(\eta,\xi) + 4\pi \left( f_{k,j}^{(1)}(\eta,\xi) + \ln(\mu_{F}^{2}/m^{2}) \bar{f}_{k,j}^{F,(1)}(\eta,\xi) + \ln(\mu_{R}^{2}/m^{2}) \bar{f}_{k,j}^{R,(1)}(\eta,\xi) \right) \right)$$

$$(90)$$

where each function  $f_{k,j}$  depends on the scaling variables  $\eta = 1/\rho - 1$  and  $\xi = -q^2/m^2$  and can be further decomposed by the electric charges

$$f_{k,g}(\eta,\xi) = e_H^2 c_{k,g}(\eta,\xi)$$
 (91)

$$f_{k,q}(\eta,\xi) = e_H^2 c_{k,q}(\eta,\xi) + e_L^2 d_{k,q}(\eta,\xi)$$
(92)

As already mentioned the interference term proportional to  $e_H e_L$  vanishes for total cross sections.

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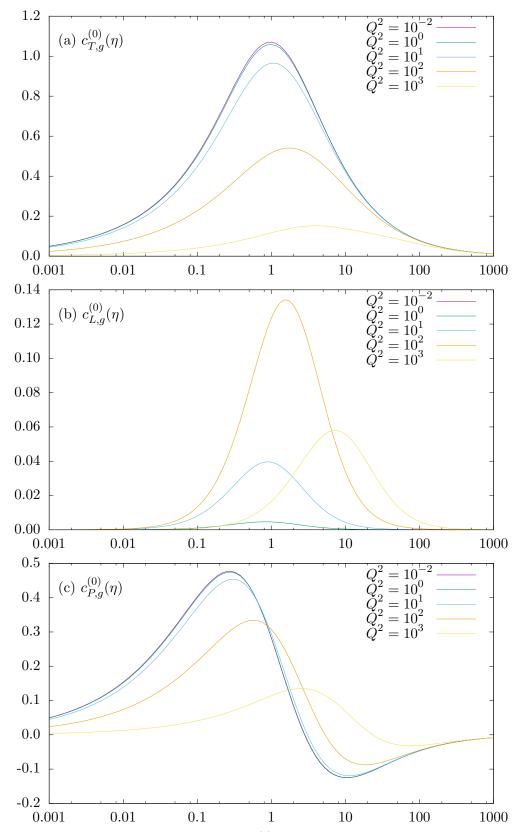


Figure 1: leading order scaling functions  $c_{k,g}^{(0)}(\eta,\xi)$  plotted as function of  $\eta=s/(4m^2)-1$  for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of  ${\rm GeV}^2$  at  $m=4.75\,{\rm GeV}$  (i.e. different values of  $\xi=Q^2/m^2$ )

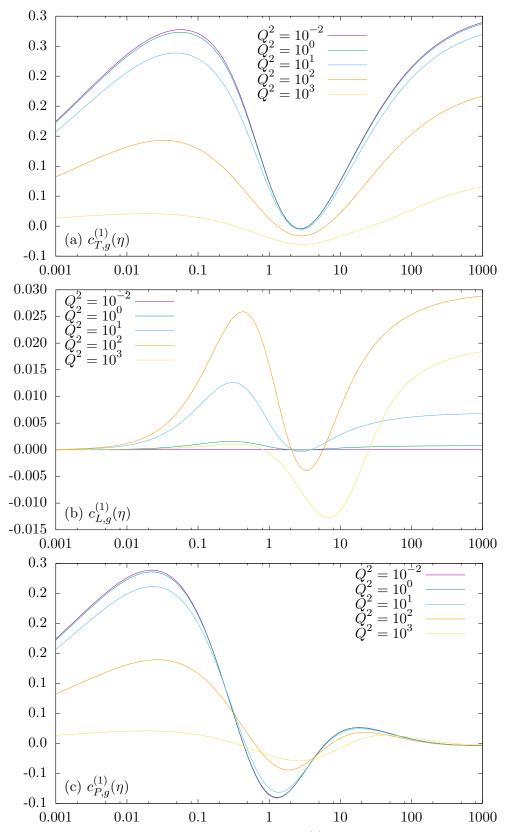


Figure 2: next-to-leading order scaling functions  $c_{k,g}^{(1)}(\eta,\xi)$  plotted as function of  $\eta=s/(4m^2)-1$  for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of  ${\rm GeV}^2$  at  $m=4.75\,{\rm GeV}$  (i.e. different values of  $\xi=Q^2/m^2$ )

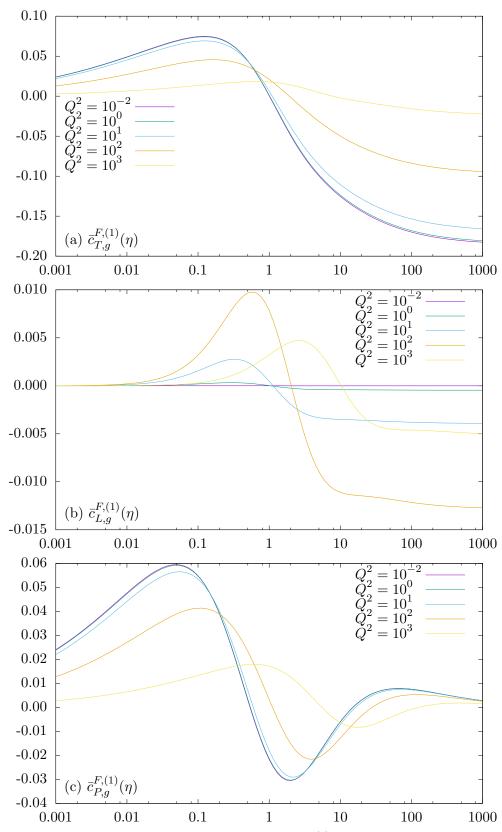


Figure 3: next-to-leading order scaling functions  $\bar{c}_{k,g}^{F,(1)}(\eta,\xi)$  plotted as function of  $\eta=s/(4m^2)-1$  for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of  ${\rm GeV}^2$  at  $m=4.75\,{\rm GeV}$  (i.e. different values of  $\xi=Q^2/m^2$ ) and  $n_{lf}=4$ 

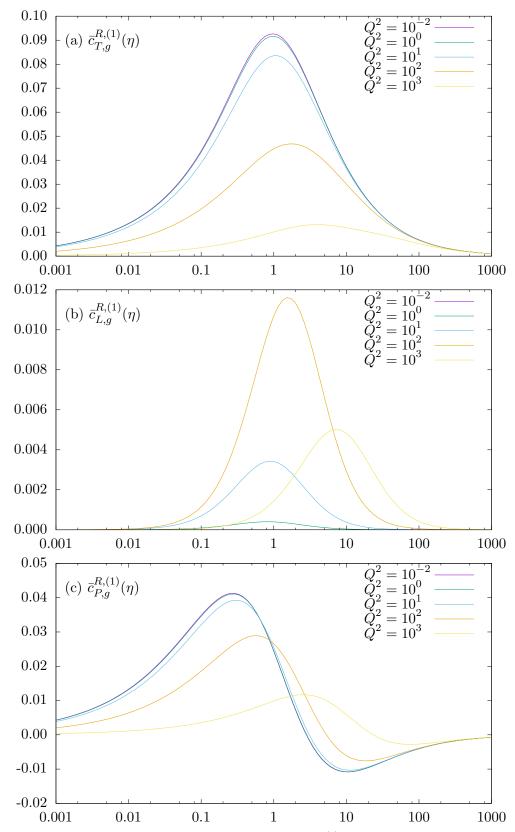


Figure 4: next-to-leading order scaling functions  $\bar{c}_{k,g}^{R,(1)}(\eta,\xi)$  plotted as function of  $\eta=s/(4m^2)-1$  for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of  ${\rm GeV}^2$  at  $m=4.75\,{\rm GeV}$  (i.e. different values of  $\xi=Q^2/m^2$ )

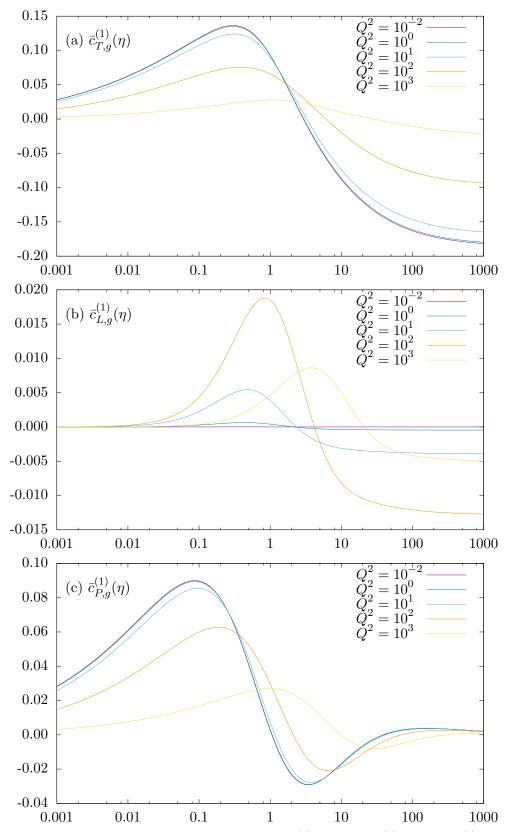


Figure 5: next-to-leading order scaling functions  $\bar{c}_{k,g}^{(1)}(\eta,\xi) = \bar{c}_{k,g}^{R,(1)}(\eta,\xi) + \bar{c}_{k,g}^{F,(1)}(\eta,\xi)$  plotted as function of  $\eta = s/(4m^2) - 1$  for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of GeV<sup>2</sup> at  $m = 4.75\,\mathrm{GeV}$  (i.e. different values of  $\xi = Q^2/m^2$ ) and  $n_{lf} = 4$ 

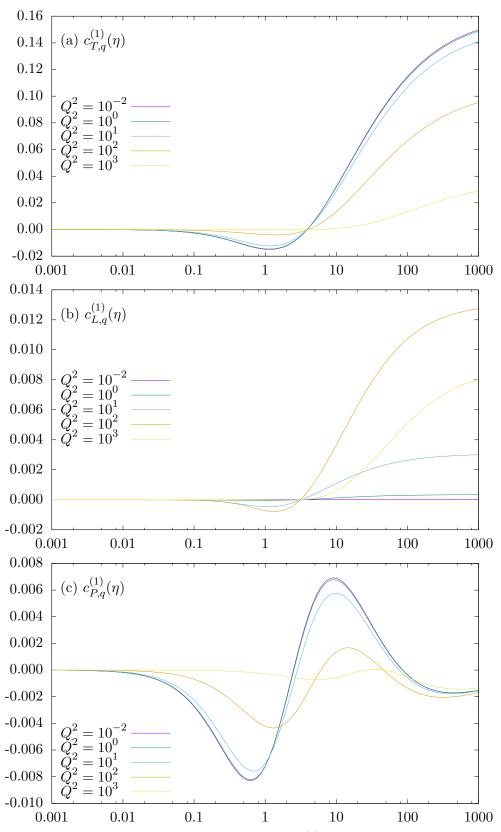


Figure 6: next-to-leading order scaling functions  $c_{k,q}^{(1)}(\eta,\xi)$  plotted as function of  $\eta=s/(4m^2)-1$  for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of  ${\rm GeV}^2$  at  $m=4.75\,{\rm GeV}$  (i.e. different values of  $\xi=Q^2/m^2$ ). Note that [1, Fig. 9 (b)] is wrong.

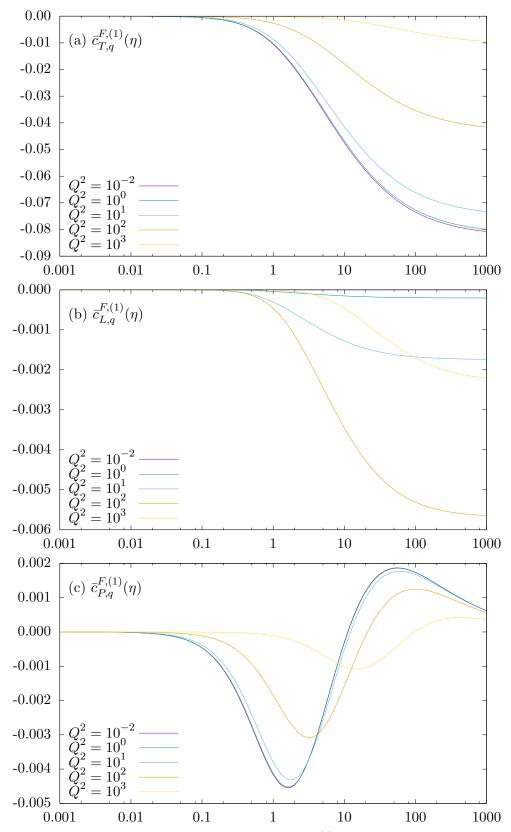


Figure 7: next-to-leading order scaling functions  $\bar{c}_{k,q}^{F,(1)}(\eta,\xi)$  plotted as function of  $\eta=s/(4m^2)-1$  for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of GeV<sup>2</sup> at  $m=4.75\,\mathrm{GeV}$  (i.e. different values of  $\xi=Q^2/m^2$ )

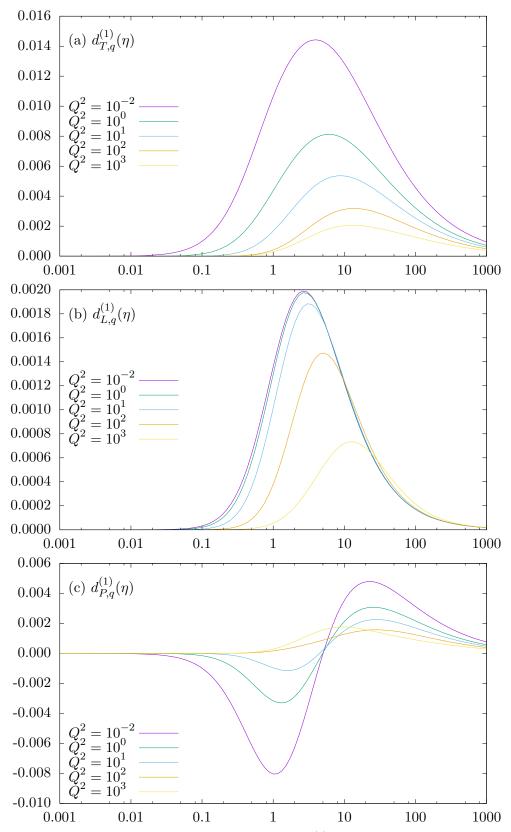


Figure 8: next-to-leading order scaling functions  $d_{k,q}^{(1)}(\eta,\xi)$  plotted as function of  $\eta=s/(4m^2)-1$  for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of GeV<sup>2</sup> at  $m=4.75\,\mathrm{GeV}$  (i.e. different values of  $\xi=Q^2/m^2$ )

#### 6 Hadronic Results

The hadronic reaction to study is deep-inelastic lepton-proton scattering:

$$\ell^-(l_1) + p(p) \to \ell^-(l_2) + Q(p_1)(\overline{Q}(p_2)) + X$$
 (93)

where one either detects the heavy quark Q or the heavy antiquark  $\overline{Q}$  and X stands for any final hadronic state allowed by quantum-number conservation. We define then the hadronic Bjorken variables

$$q = l_1 - l_2, \quad Q^2 = -q^2, \quad x = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}, \quad z = \frac{p \cdot q}{p \cdot l_1}$$
 (94)

We can then define the measurable deep-inelastic hadron structure functions

$$F_k(x, Q^2, m^2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} F_k^{(n)}(x, Q^2, m^2)$$
(95)

$$F_k^{(n)}(x,Q^2,m^2) = \frac{Q^2}{4\pi^2\alpha} \sum_{j \in \{g,q,\bar{q}\}} \int_x^{z_{max}} \frac{dz}{z} f_j(x/z,\mu_F^2) \sigma_{k,j}^{(n)}(s,q^2,m^2)$$
(96)

where  $k \in \{G, L, P\}$  denotes as usual projection,  $z = Q^2/s'$ ,  $z_{max} = Q^2/(4m^2 + Q^2)$  and  $f_j(x/z, \mu_F^2)$  denotes parton momentum density functions[18, 19]. We can then split the contributions whether there is a gluon in the initial state  $F_{k,g}$  or a (anti)quark  $F_{k,q}$ . In leading order we find:

$$F_{k,g}^{(0)}(x,Q^2,m^2) = \frac{\alpha_s Q^2}{4\pi^2 m^2} e_H^2 \int_x^{z_{max}} \frac{dz}{z} f_g(x/z,\mu_F^2) c_{k,g}^{(0)}(\eta,\xi)$$
 (97)

We find for the gluonic part in next-to-leading order:

$$\begin{split} &F_{k,g}^{(1)}(x,Q^2,m^2) \\ &= \frac{\alpha_s^2 Q^2}{\pi m^2} e_H^2 \int\limits_{-z}^{z_{max}} \frac{dz}{z} f_g(x/z,\mu_F^2) \left( c_{k,g}^{(1)}(\eta,\xi) + \ln(\mu_F^2/m^2) \bar{c}_{k,g}^{F,(1)}(\eta,\xi) + \ln(\mu_R^2/m^2) \bar{c}_{k,g}^{R,(1)}(\eta,\xi) \right) \end{split}$$

(98)

We find for the quark part in next-to-leading order:

$$F_{k,q}^{(1)}(x,Q^{2},m^{2})$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_{s}^{2}Q^{2}}{\pi m^{2}} e_{H}^{2} \int_{x}^{z_{max}} \frac{dz}{z} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n_{lf}} f_{q(j)}(x/z,\mu_{F}^{2}) + f_{q(-j)}(x/z,\mu_{F}^{2}) \right) \cdot \left( c_{k,q}^{(1)}(\eta,\xi) + \ln(\mu_{F}^{2}/m^{2}) \bar{c}_{k,q}^{F,(1)}(\eta,\xi) \right)$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_{s}^{2}Q^{2}}{\pi m^{2}} \int_{x}^{z_{max}} \frac{dz}{z} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n_{lf}} e_{q(j)}^{2} \left( f_{q(j)}(x/z,\mu_{F}^{2}) + f_{q(-j)}(x/z,\mu_{F}^{2}) \right) \right) d_{k,q}(\eta,\xi)$$
(99)

where we used the PDG particle labeling[20]:  $q(1) = u, q(-1) = \bar{u}, q(2) = d, q(-2) = \bar{d},$  ... and  $e_u = e_c = e_t = 2/3, e_d = e_s = e_b = -1/3.$ 

We can then also define some more practical functions:

$$F_2(x, Q^2, m^2) = F_T(x, Q^2, m^2) + F_L(x, Q^2, m^2)$$
(100)

$$=F_G(x,Q^2,m^2) + \frac{3}{2}F_L(x,Q^2,m^2)$$
(101)

$$F_1(x, Q^2, m^2) = (F_2(x, Q^2, m^2) - F_L(x, Q^2, m^2))/(2x)$$
(102)

$$= \left(F_G(x, Q^2, m^2) + \frac{1}{2}F_L(x, Q^2, m^2)\right) / (2x)$$
 (103)

$$g_1(x, Q^2, m^2) = F_P(x, Q^2, m^2)/(2x)$$
 (104)

and we define

$$R_{k'}(x,Q^2,m^2) = \frac{F_{k'}^{(0)}(x,Q^2,m^2) + F_{k'}^{(1)}(x,Q^2,m^2)}{F_{k'}^{(0)}(x,Q^2,m^2)}$$
(105)

with  $k' \in \{2, L, P\}$  to better observe next-to-leading order effects.

We define the spin asymmetry by

$$A_1(x, Q^2, m^2) = \frac{g_1(x, Q^2, m^2)}{F_1(x, Q^2, m^2)} = \frac{F_P(x, Q^2, m^2)}{F_2(x, Q^2, m^2) - F_L(x, Q^2, m^2)}$$
(106)

For the plots we focused on charm production  $(n_{lf} = 3)$  with  $m_c = 1.5 \,\text{GeV}$  and we used the two-loop running coupling of [21]:

$$\alpha_s(\mu_R^2) = \frac{1}{\beta_0^4 \ln(\mu_R^2/\Lambda_4)} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta_1^4}{(\beta_0^4)^2} \ln(\ln(\mu_R^2/\Lambda_4)) \right)$$
 (107)

with the first two coefficients of the QCD beta function  $\beta_0^f=(33-2f)/(12\pi)$  and  $\beta_1^f=(306-38f)/(48\pi^2)$  FiXme Error: find CA? and  $\Lambda_4=0.194\,\mathrm{GeV}^2$ . We set  $\mu_F^2=\mu_R^2=4m^2-q^2$  in analogy to [1]. We used the PDF set MSTW2008nlo90cl[18, 22, 23] provided by LHAPDF[24] for the unpolarized structure functions  $(F_2,F_1,F_G,F_L)$  and DSSV2014[19] for the polarized structure function  $(g_1,F_G)$ .

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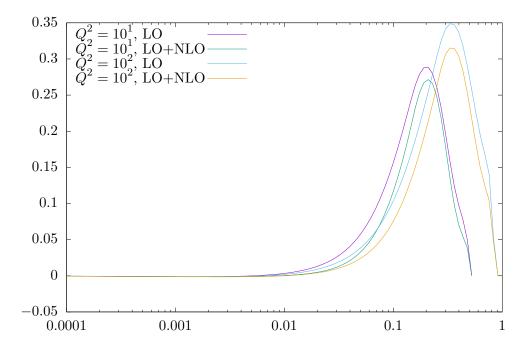


Figure 9: spin asymmetry  $A_1(x,Q^2,m_c^2)$  plotted as function of x for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of  ${\rm GeV}^2$ 

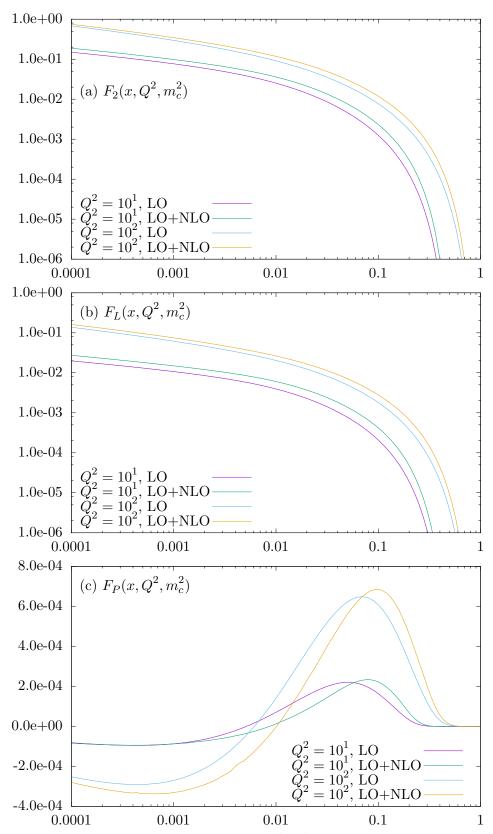


Figure 10: hadronic structure functions  $F_k(x,Q^2,m_c^2)$  plotted as function of x for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of  $\text{GeV}^2$ 

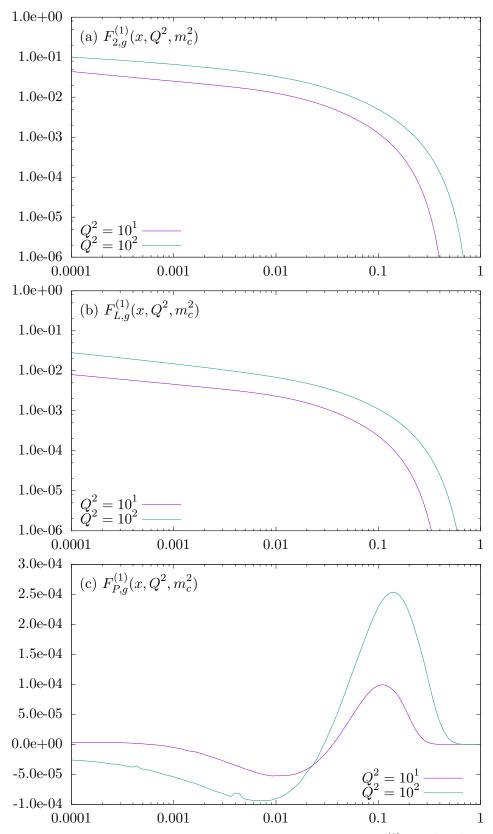


Figure 11: next-to-leading order hadronic structure functions  $F_{k,g}^{(1)}(x,Q^2,m_c^2)$  plotted as function of x for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of  $\text{GeV}^2$ 

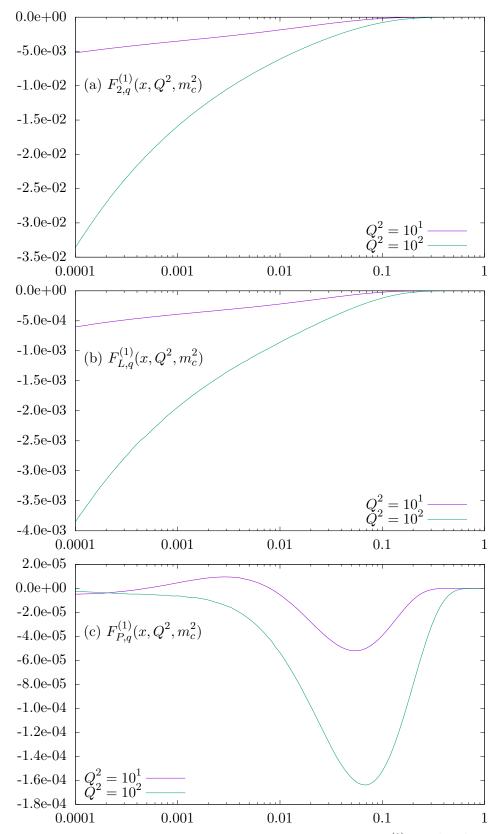


Figure 12: next-to-leading order hadronic structure functions  $F_{k,q}^{(1)}(x,Q^2,m_c^2)$  plotted as function of x for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of  $\text{GeV}^2$ 

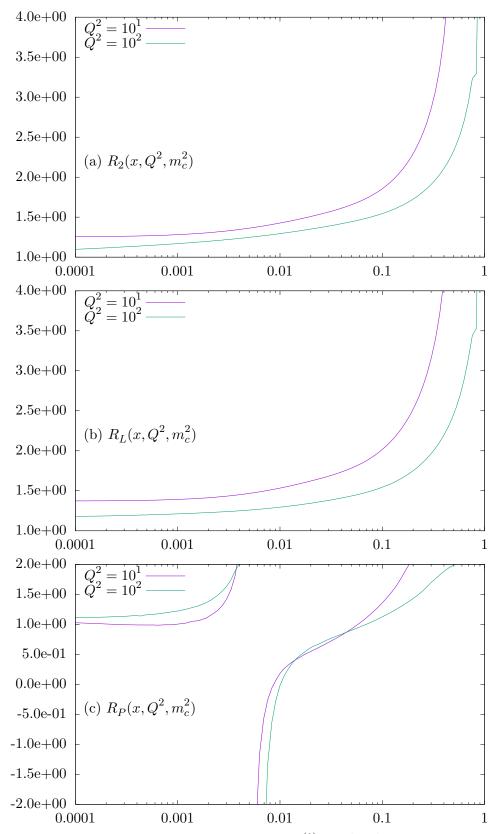


Figure 13: ratio of hadronic structure functions  $R_{k'}^{(1)}(x,Q^2,m_c^2)$  plotted as function of x for different values of  $Q^2$  in units of  $\text{GeV}^2$ 

# 7 Summary

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