

Renormalization of collinear and TMD pdfs

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Track A Factorization:

- Operator definition of the pdf from the beginning.
 - The only divergences are ultraviolet.
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- Factorization (e.g., inclusive DIS):
 - Obtained from general region analysis.
 - Beyond parton model: Higher order hard scattering constructed from nested subtractions.


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Track B Factorization:

- Assert(?): $d\sigma = f^{\text{"bare,b"}} \otimes d\hat{\sigma}$
 *Massless partonic*
- Collinear divergences! $d\hat{\sigma} = \mathcal{C} \otimes d\hat{\sigma}_{\text{finite}}$
- So... $d\sigma = f^{\text{"bare,b"}} \otimes \mathcal{C} \otimes d\hat{\sigma}_{\text{finite}}$
- Absorb:
 $f = f^{\text{"bare,b"}} \otimes \mathcal{C}$
- Then:
 $d\sigma = f \otimes d\hat{\sigma}_{\text{finite}}$

E.g., Curci, Furmanski, Petronzio (1980)

Track B:

- Questions:
 - Derivation of factorization for step 1
($d\sigma = f^{\text{“bare,b”}} \otimes d\hat{\sigma}$) ?
 - Bare pdf ($f^{\text{“bare,b”}}$) of step 1 is undefined
 - Interpretation of collinear divergences?
 - Can we reverse engineer $f^{\text{“bare,b”}}$?

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- Example 1: Track-B leads to arguments that pdf positivity is an absolute property of pdfs in certain schemes (MS-bar).

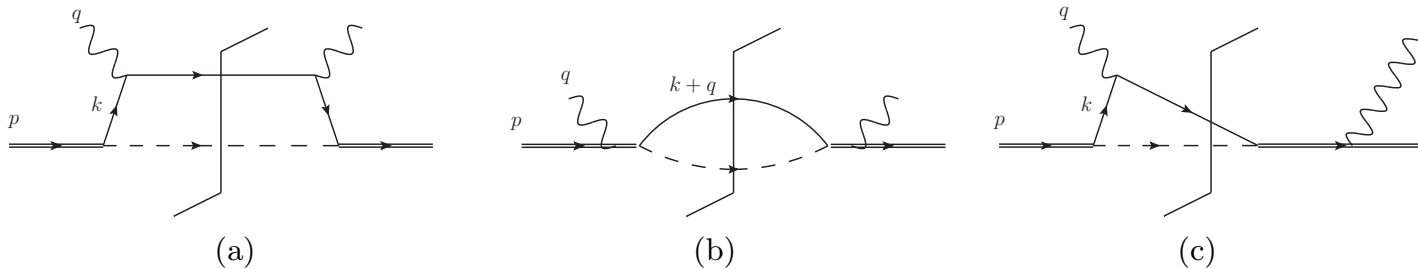
$$f(x; \mu) \geq 0 \quad \text{A. Candido, S. Forte, and F. Hekhorn (2020), 2006.07377}$$

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\lambda \bar{\Psi}_N \psi_q \phi + \text{H.C.}$$

- Exact $O(\lambda^2)$ DIS cross section is easy to calculate exactly.

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Collinear Factorization

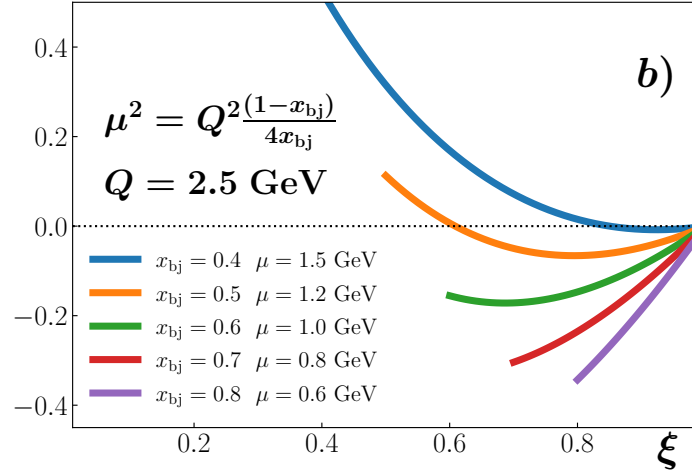
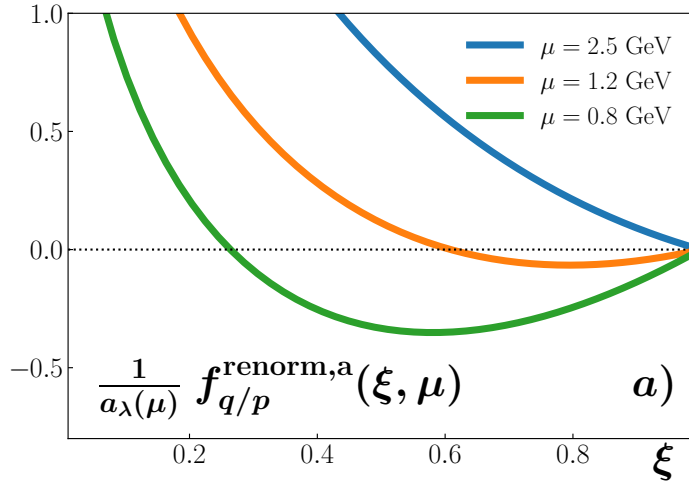
$$\begin{aligned}
 F_1(x, Q) = & \sum_f \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \\
 & \Delta(\xi)^2 \equiv \xi m_s^2 + (1 - \xi)m_q^2 - \xi(1 - \xi)m_p^2 \\
 & \times \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \delta\left(1 - \frac{x}{\xi}\right) \delta_{qf} + a_\lambda(\mu) \left(1 - \frac{x}{\xi}\right) \left[\ln(4) - \frac{\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right)^2 - 3\frac{x}{\xi} + \frac{3}{2}}{\left(1 - \frac{x}{\xi}\right)^2} - \ln \frac{4x\mu^2}{Q^2(\xi - x)} \right] \delta_{pf} \right\} \times \\
 & \underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{\hat{F}_{1,q/f}(x/\xi, \mu/Q; a_\lambda(\mu))} \\
 & \times \left\{ \delta(1 - \xi) \delta_{fp} + a_\lambda(\mu)(1 - \xi) \left[\frac{(m_q + \xi m_p)^2}{\Delta(\xi)^2} + \ln \left(\frac{\mu^2}{\Delta(\xi)^2} \right) - 1 \right] \delta_{fq} \right\} \cdot \\
 & \underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{f_{f/p}(\xi; \mu)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Partonic structure function

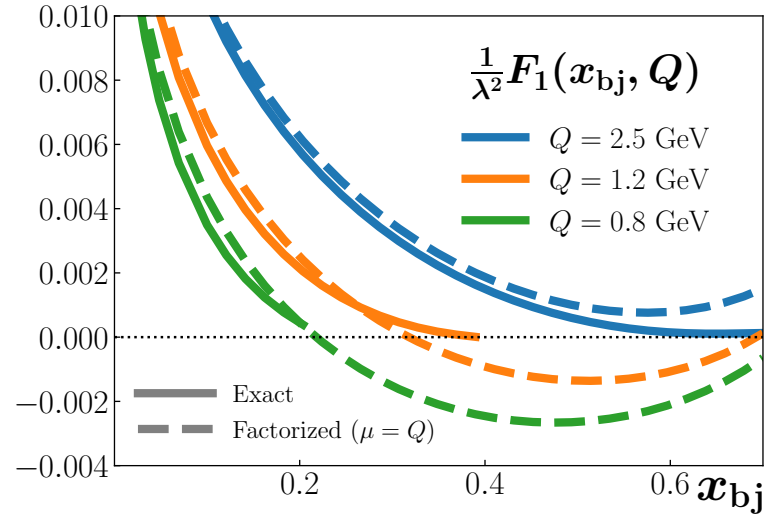
Parton Distribution

$$\overline{\text{MS}} \text{ C.T.} = -a_\lambda(\mu)(1 - \xi) \frac{S_\epsilon}{\epsilon}$$

Positivity?



$m_q = 0.3$ GeV
 $m_p = 1.0$ GeV
 $m_s = 1.5$ GeV



Return to positivity

- Why does track B seem to imply properties like positivity?
- "Bare" pdf is not "parton model pdf." It inherits the properties of the UV regulator.
- Dimensional regularization violates positivity

$$\int d^{2-2\epsilon} \mathbf{k}_T \frac{(k_T^2 - Q^2)^2}{k_T^2 (k_T^2 + Q^2)^2} \stackrel{\epsilon \rightarrow 0}{=} -4\pi$$

- Vanishing of dimensionless integrals

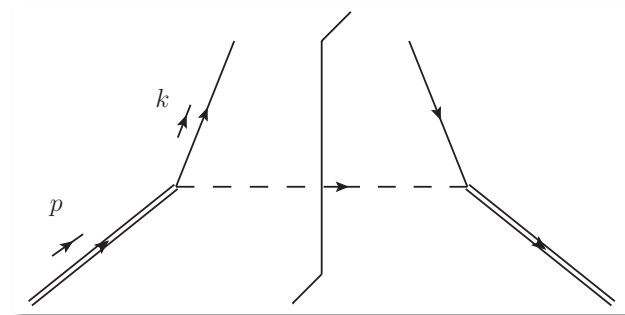
Rescuing positivity?

- Instead try cutoff scheme (but be careful!)

$$a_\lambda(\mu) \int_0^{k_{\text{cut},\Gamma}^2} dk_{\text{T}}^2$$

$$\times \frac{(1 - \xi) [k_{\text{T}}^2 + (m_q + \xi m_p)^2]}{[k_{\text{T}}^2 + \xi m_s^2 + (1 - \xi) m_q^2 + \xi(\xi - 1) m_p^2]^2}$$

Yukawa theory



To convert to \overline{MS} , subtract

$$a_\lambda(\mu)(1 - \xi) \int_{\mu^2}^{k_{\text{cut},\Gamma}^2} \frac{dk_{\text{T}}^2}{k_{\text{T}}^2}$$

Cutoff defined pdfs

$$\int^{\sim k_m} d^2 \mathbf{k}_T \underbrace{f(x, \mathbf{k}_T)}_{\text{Transverse Momentum Dependent (TMD) pdf}} \equiv f(x)$$

Transverse Momentum Dependent (TMD) pdf

- Conforms to parton model / hadron structure interpretation
- Improves matching between different regions of transverse momentum
- Complications: Effects from light-cone divergences don't cancel

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Summary

- Historically, two alternative ways to view divergences and their role in pdf definitions.
 - Track A: UV renormalization – no collinear divergences
 - Track B: Collinear absorption – absorb collinear divergences
- Track A is more complete. Differences between tracks have practical consequences.
- Positivity is not a general property of MS-bar renormalized parton densities
- Other ways to get positivity via TMD functions?
- Advantages of a cutoff TMD definition?