# Perturbative QCD

## Part III: NLO corrections to PDF

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### Parton Distribution Function (PDF)

• PDF at parton level

$$f_{q/q}(y) = \langle q(p) | \bar{q}_n W_n \frac{\overline{n}}{2} \delta(y\overline{n} \cdot p - \overline{n} \cdot \mathcal{P}) W_n^{\dagger} q_n | q(p) \rangle$$

- LO result

$$f_{q/q}^{(0)}(y) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{s} \bar{u}_{s}(p) \frac{\overline{n}}{2} \delta(y\overline{n} \cdot p - \overline{n} \cdot p) u_{s}(p) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\overline{n} \cdot p} \delta(1 - y) \operatorname{Tr} p \frac{\overline{n}}{2}$$
$$= \delta(1 - y)$$

### One loop computation of PDF



• Rapidity divergence

 $\overline{n} \cdot k \rightarrow \infty$  :When Wilson line become divergent

- In order to regularize the rapidity divergences

$$\begin{split} W_n &\to W_n(\Delta) &= 1 - \frac{g}{\overline{n} \cdot \mathcal{P} + \Delta + i\epsilon} \overline{n} \cdot A_n + \cdots, \\ W_n^{\dagger} &\to W_n^{\dagger}(\Delta) &= 1 - g\overline{n} \cdot A_n \frac{1}{\overline{n} \cdot \mathcal{P}^{\dagger} - \Delta - i\epsilon} = 1 + \frac{g}{\overline{n} \cdot \mathcal{P} + \Delta + i\epsilon} \overline{n} \cdot A_n + \cdots \\ W_n(\Delta) W_n^{\dagger}(\Delta) &= W_n^{\dagger}(\Delta) W_n(\Delta) = 1 \end{split}$$

#### Virtual Corrections

$$\begin{split} \tilde{M}_{a} &= \mu \frac{2\varepsilon}{MS} \int \frac{d^{D}k}{(2\pi)^{D}} \langle \bar{q}_{n} \frac{\vec{\mu}}{2} \delta(x \overline{n} \cdot p - \overline{n} \cdot p) (-g \frac{\overline{n}^{\mu} T^{a}}{\overline{n} \cdot k - \Delta}) \frac{i(\not k + \not p)}{(k + p)^{2}} (+ig T^{a} \gamma_{\mu}) q_{n} \rangle \frac{-i}{k^{2}} \\ &= -2ig^{2} C_{F} \mu \frac{2\varepsilon}{MS} \int \frac{d^{D}k}{(2\pi)^{D}} \frac{\overline{n} \cdot (k + p)}{k^{2} (k + p)^{2} (\overline{n} \cdot k - \Delta)} \delta(1 - x) \end{split}$$

- Feynman Integral Homework

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{k^2(k+p)^2(\overline{n}\cdot k-\Delta)} &= 2\Gamma(3)\int_0^1 dz \int_0^\infty dt \frac{1}{(k^2+2zk\cdot p+2t\overline{n}\cdot k-2t\Delta)^3} \\ &= 4\int_0^1 dz \int_0^\infty dt \frac{1}{(l^2-\Lambda^2)^3}. \end{aligned}$$
$$l = k + zp + t\overline{n}, \ \Lambda = 2(z\overline{n}\cdot p+\Delta)t$$

$$\begin{split} \tilde{M}_{a} &= -8ig^{2}C_{F}\mu_{\overline{MS}}^{2\varepsilon}\delta(1-x)\int_{0}^{1}dz\int_{0}^{\infty}dt\int\frac{d^{D}l}{(2\pi)^{D}}\frac{(1-z)\overline{n}\cdot p}{(l^{2}-\Lambda^{2})^{3}}\\ &= -\frac{\alpha_{s}C_{F}}{\pi}(\mu^{2}e^{\gamma})^{\varepsilon}\overline{n}\cdot p\Gamma(1+\varepsilon)\delta(1-x)\int_{0}^{1}dz(1-z)(2z\overline{n}\cdot p+2\Delta)^{-1-\varepsilon}\int_{0}^{\infty}dt\ t^{-1-\varepsilon} \int_{0}^{\infty}dt\ t^{-1-\varepsilon}\int_{0}^{\infty}dt\ t^{-1-\varepsilon$$

- Dimensionless Integral

$$\mu^{\varepsilon} \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \ t^{-1-\varepsilon} = \int_{0}^{\infty} dt' \ t'^{-1-\varepsilon} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm IR}}$$
$$\int_{0}^{1} dz \frac{1-z}{2z\overline{n} \cdot p + 2\Delta} = -\frac{1}{2\overline{n} \cdot p} (1 + \ln \frac{\Delta}{\overline{n} \cdot p})$$

- Naive collinear computation at one loop

$$\tilde{M}_{a} = \frac{\alpha_{s}C_{F}}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm IR}}\right) \left(1 + \ln\frac{\Delta}{\overline{n} \cdot p}\right)$$

- The zero-bin subtraction
  - In computing collinear one loop diagram, we have the soft limit

$$\overline{n} \cdot k o \mathcal{O}(Q\lambda) \ll Q$$
 $\overline{n} \cdot k$ 

- Consistent computation for collinear interactions to avoid double counting

$$\int d^D k \ M(k \sim col) - \int d^D k \ M(k \sim soft)$$
 The zero-bin subtraction

#### • The zero-bin subtraction for virtual contribution

$$\begin{split} \tilde{M}_{a} &= -2ig^{2}C_{F}\mu_{\overline{MS}}^{2\varepsilon}\int \frac{d^{D}k}{(2\pi)^{D}} \frac{\overline{n}\cdot(k+p)}{k^{2}(k+p)^{2}(\overline{n}\cdot k-\Delta)}\delta(1-x) \qquad (\overline{n}\cdot k,k_{\perp},n\cdot k) \sim (\lambda^{0},\lambda,\lambda^{2}) \\ \rightarrow M_{a}^{0} &= -2ig^{2}C_{F}\mu_{\overline{MS}}^{2\varepsilon}\int \frac{d^{D}k}{(2\pi)^{D}} \frac{\overline{n}\cdot p}{k^{2}(\overline{n}\cdot pn\cdot k)(\overline{n}\cdot k-\Delta)}\delta(1-x) \qquad (\overline{n}\cdot k,k_{\perp},n\cdot k) \sim (\lambda^{2},\lambda^{2},\lambda^{2}) \\ M_{a}^{0} &= -2ig^{2}C_{F}\mu_{\overline{MS}}^{2\varepsilon}\int \frac{d^{D}k}{(2\pi)^{D}} \frac{1}{k^{2}n\cdot k(\overline{n}\cdot k-\Delta)}\delta(1-x) \\ &= -4ig^{2}C_{F}\mu_{\overline{MS}}^{2\varepsilon}\delta(1-x)\int_{0}^{\infty}du\int_{0}^{\infty}dt\int \frac{d^{D}l}{(2\pi)^{D}} \frac{1}{(l^{2}-\Lambda^{2})^{3}} \\ &= -\frac{\alpha_{s}C_{F}}{2\pi}(\mu^{2}e^{\gamma})^{\varepsilon}\Gamma(1+\varepsilon)\delta(1-x)\int_{0}^{\infty}du(u+\Delta)^{-1-\varepsilon}\int_{0}^{\infty}dt\ t^{-1-\varepsilon} \end{split}$$

- Feynman Integral Homework

$$\frac{1}{k^2 n \cdot k(\overline{n} \cdot k - \Delta)} = 4\Gamma(3) \int_0^\infty du' \int_0^\infty dt' \frac{1}{(k^2 + 2u'n \cdot k + 2t'\overline{n} \cdot k - 2t'\Delta)^3}$$
$$= 2 \int_0^\infty du \int_0^\infty dt \frac{1}{(l^2 - \Lambda^2)^3}, \ 2u' \equiv u, \ 2t' \equiv t$$
$$l = k + (un + t\overline{n})/2, \ \Lambda = (u + \Delta)t$$

- Dimensionless Integral

$$\mu^{\varepsilon} \int_0^\infty du (u + \Delta)^{-1-\varepsilon} = \int_0^\infty d\bar{u} (\bar{u} + \frac{\Delta}{\mu})^{-1-\varepsilon} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \ln\frac{\Delta}{\mu}$$

- Zero-bin contribution

$$M_a^0 = -\frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm IR}}\right) \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \ln\frac{\Delta}{\mu}\right) \delta(1-x)$$

• Final one loop result of virtual contribution

$$M_a = \tilde{M}_a - M_a^0 = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm IR}}\right) \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} + \ln\frac{\mu}{\overline{n} \cdot p} + 1\right) \delta(1 - x)$$

- Rapidity divergence is gone

- Very uneasy UV & IR mixed terms : cancelled when combined with the real gluon emission

- Real gluon emission
  - Some Feynman rules

• Diagram (b)

$$\tilde{M}_{b} = -4\pi g^{2} C_{F} \mu_{\overline{MS}}^{2\varepsilon} \int \frac{d^{D}k}{(2\pi)^{D}} \frac{\delta(k^{2})\delta(x\overline{n}\cdot p - \overline{n}\cdot(p-k))\overline{n}\cdot(p-k)\overline{n}\cdot p}{(-2p\cdot k)(\overline{n}\cdot k + \Delta)}$$

- Decomposition of the loop integral

$$\int \frac{d^D k}{(2\pi)^D} = \frac{(4\pi)^{\varepsilon}}{32\pi^3} \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\varepsilon)} \int d\overline{n} \cdot k \, dn \cdot k \, d\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2 (\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2)^{-\varepsilon}$$

- Integration of component by component

$$\begin{split} \tilde{M}_{b} &= \frac{\alpha_{s}C_{F}}{2\pi} \frac{(\mu^{2}e^{\gamma})^{\varepsilon}}{\Gamma(1-\varepsilon)} \frac{x((1-x)\overline{n}\cdot p)^{-\varepsilon}}{1-x+\frac{\Delta}{\overline{n}\cdot p}} \int dn \cdot k(n \cdot k)^{-1-\varepsilon} \\ &= \frac{\alpha_{s}C_{F}}{2\pi} \Big(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm IR}}\Big) \frac{x}{1-x+\frac{\Delta}{\overline{n}\cdot p}} \\ &\frac{x}{1-x+\frac{\Delta}{\overline{n}\cdot p}} = -\ln\frac{\Delta}{\overline{n}\cdot p} \delta(1-x) + \frac{x}{(1-x)_{+}} \end{split}$$

#### - Plus function

Plus function can be defined as

$$\left(f(x)\right)_{+} = \lim_{\beta \to 0} \left[f(x)\theta(1-x-\beta) - \delta(1-x-\beta)\int_{0}^{1-\beta} dy f(y)\right], \quad (1)$$

and it has the property

$$\int_{0}^{1} dx \left( f(x) \right)_{+} = 0.$$
 (2)

So it can be used as

$$\int_{0}^{1} dx \Big(g(x)\Big)_{+} f(x) = \int_{0}^{1} dx \, g(x) \Big[f(x) - f(1)\Big], \qquad (3)$$
$$\int_{y}^{1} dx \Big(g(x)\Big)_{+} f(x) = \int_{y}^{1} dx \, g(x) \Big[f(x) - f(1)\Big] - f(1) \int_{0}^{y} dx g(x). \qquad (4)$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-z)^{1+\epsilon}} = -\frac{1}{\epsilon}\delta(1-z) + \frac{1}{(1-z)_{+}} - \epsilon\left(\frac{\ln(1-z)}{1-z}\right)_{+} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2}),$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-z)^{2+\epsilon}} = \frac{1}{\epsilon}\delta(1-z)\frac{\partial}{\partial z} - (1-\epsilon)\delta(1-z) + \frac{1}{[(1-z)^{2}]_{\Delta}} - \epsilon\left(\frac{\ln(1-z)}{(1-z)^{2}}\right)_{\Delta} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2}\theta)$$
(5)

where  $\Delta$  distribution has been defined as

$$\int_{0}^{1} dz \Big[ h(z) \Big]_{\Delta} f(z) = \int_{0}^{1} dz h(z) \Big[ f(z) - f(1) + (1-z) f'(1) \Big].$$
(7)

- Naive one loop result

$$\tilde{M}_b = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \Big( \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm IR}} \Big) \Big( -\ln \frac{\Delta}{\overline{n} \cdot p} \delta(1 - x) + \frac{x}{(1 - x)_+} \Big)$$

- Zero-bin subtraction

$$M_b^0 = -4\pi g^2 C_F \mu_{\overline{MS}}^{2\varepsilon} \int \frac{d^D k}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{\delta(k^2)\delta(x\overline{n} \cdot p - \overline{n} \cdot p)(\overline{n} \cdot p)^2}{(-\overline{n} \cdot pn \cdot k)(\overline{n} \cdot k + \Delta)}$$

$$\begin{split} M_b^0 &= \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \frac{e^{\gamma \varepsilon}}{\Gamma(1-\varepsilon)} \delta(1-x) \Big[ \mu^{\varepsilon} \int_0^\infty d\overline{n} \cdot k \frac{(\overline{n} \cdot k)^{-\varepsilon}}{\overline{n} \cdot k + \Delta} \Big] \Big[ \mu^{\varepsilon} \int_0^\infty dn \cdot k(n \cdot k)^{-1-\varepsilon} \Big] \\ &= \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \frac{e^{\gamma \varepsilon}}{\Gamma(1-\varepsilon)} \delta(1-x) \Big( \frac{\Delta}{\mu} \Big)^{-\varepsilon} \Gamma(\varepsilon) \Gamma(1-\varepsilon) \Big( \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm IR}} \Big) \\ &= \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \Big( \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \ln \frac{\Delta}{\mu} \Big) \Big( \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm IR}} \Big) \delta(1-x) \end{split}$$

- Final result of diagram (b)

$$M_b = \tilde{M}_b - M_b^0 = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm IR}}\right) \left[ \left(-\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}} - \ln\frac{\mu}{\overline{n} \cdot p}\right) \delta(1-x) + \frac{x}{(1-x)_+} \right]$$

- Once again, rapidity divergence is gone
- UV & IR mixed term can cancel if combined with diagram (a)

• Sum of the zero-bin contribution

$$M^0 = 2(M_a^0 + M_b^0) = 0$$

- For PDF computation, naive collinear computation can give correct result
- However, in generic cases, the zero-bin subtraction has a crucial role
- It simply represents that the decouple soft interactions have been cancelled
- Diagram (c)

$$\begin{split} M_{c} &= \tilde{M}_{c} = -2\pi g^{2}C_{F}\mu_{\overline{MS}}^{2\varepsilon} \int \frac{d^{D}k}{(2\pi)^{D}} \frac{\delta(k^{2})\delta(x\overline{n}\cdot p - \overline{n}\cdot(p-k))}{(-2p\cdot k)^{2}} \langle \bar{q}_{n}\gamma^{\mu}(\not\!p - \not\!k) \frac{\overline{\mu}}{2}(\not\!p - \not\!k)\gamma_{\mu}q_{n} \rangle \\ &= \alpha_{s}C_{F}\mu_{\overline{MS}}^{2\varepsilon}(D-2)(1-x) \int \frac{d^{D-2}\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^{D-2}} \frac{1}{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^{2}} \\ &= \frac{\alpha_{s}C_{F}}{2\pi} \Big(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\mathrm{UV}}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\mathrm{IR}}}\Big)(1-x) \int \frac{d^{D-2}\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^{D-2}} \frac{1}{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^{2}} = \frac{(4\pi)^{\varepsilon}}{4\pi} \Big(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\mathrm{UV}}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\mathrm{IR}}}\Big) \end{split}$$

- No double pole appears

• Final result at one loop

$$f_{q/q}^{(1)}(x,\mu) = 2\operatorname{Re}(M_a + M_b) + M_c + (Z_q^{(1)} + R_q^{(1)})\delta(1-x)$$
  
=  $\frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\mathrm{UV}}} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\mathrm{IR}}}\right) \left[\frac{3}{2}\delta(1-x) + \frac{1+x^2}{(1-x)_+}\right]$ 

- Quark field strength renormalization (Minimal Subtraction)

$$Z_q^{(1)} = -\frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm UV}}$$

- Residue : depends on renormalization scheme

$$R_q^{(1)} = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{\rm IR}}$$

#### Homework

Compute the residue of the heavy quark

#### • Computation of residue

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$$\begin{split} \overline{Z} = p R^{(1)} & \overline{P} = \overline{Z} = p(1-R^{(1)}) = \frac{1+R^{(1)}}{p} = \frac{R}{p} = p-(2-2) = \overline{P} = p-(2-2) = p-(2-2$$
- 21 ( 200 1 ln p2 + 1). of 2 ( 200 EIR) - 45 G ( ln M2+1 ) of the ETR

RG behavior of PDF

**DGLAP** evolution