

Application of the nested soft-collinear subtraction scheme to deep-inelastic scattering

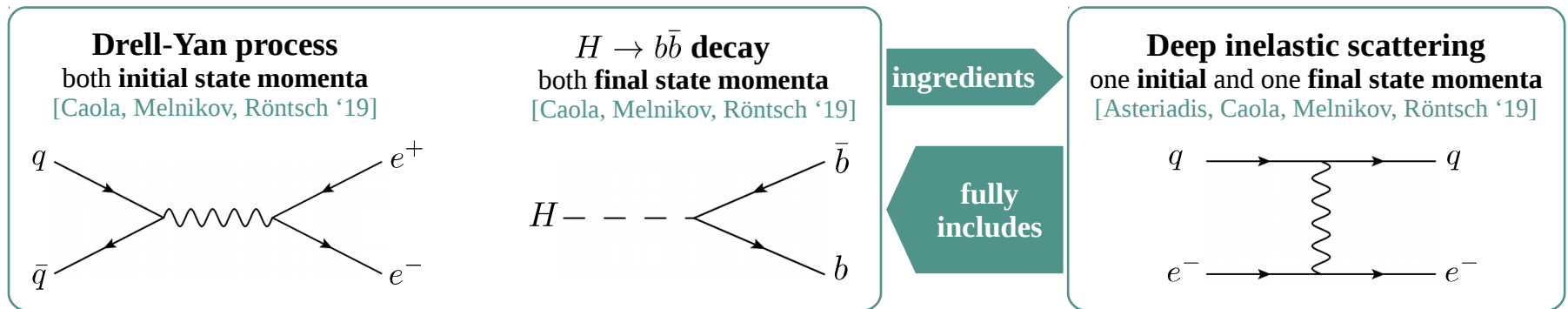
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Deep inelastic scattering

- Non-trivial parts of soft and collinear limits of scattering amplitudes relevant for NNLO calculations involve pairs of external momenta. In a complex process these momenta can be **both incoming, both outgoing** or **one** can be **incoming** and **one outgoing**.
- Therefore, before dealing with complex processes it is important to apply the subtraction scheme to simpler processes with only two external colour-charged particles; the results will provide useful **building blocks** for more complex processes.



- For these simple processes results for subtractions can be checked extensively against existing analytic results.

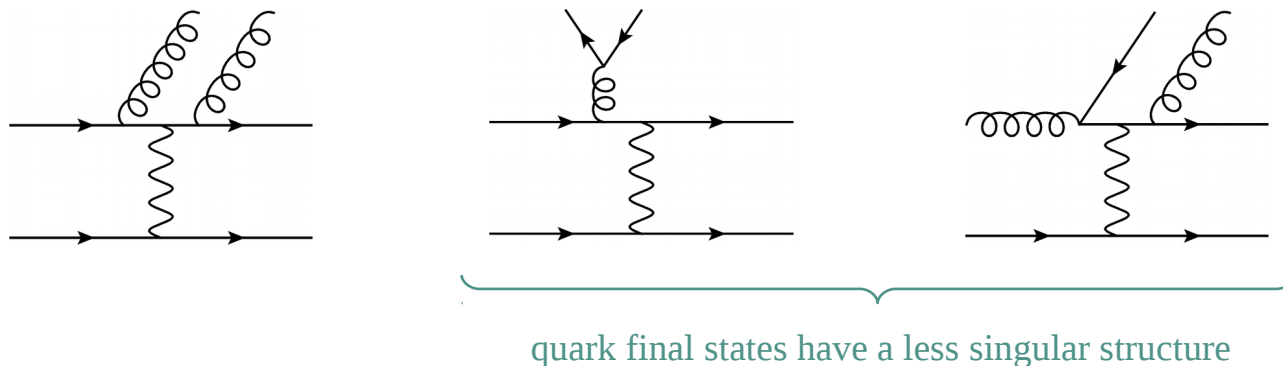
Deep inelastic scattering

- Contributions to NNLO fully-differential partonic cross sections

$$d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}} = d\sigma_{\text{rr}} + d\sigma_{\text{rv}} + d\sigma_{\text{vv}} + d\sigma_{\text{pdf}}$$

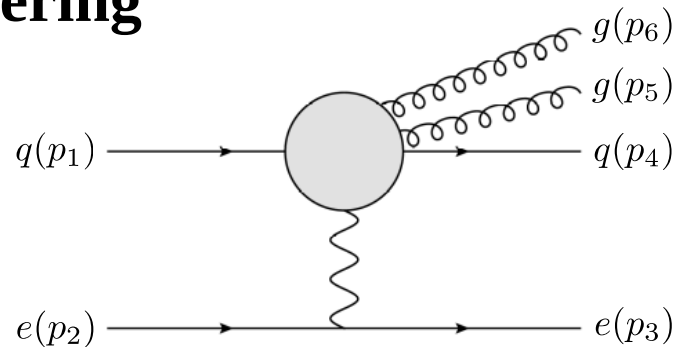
contain *explicit* poles in $1/\epsilon$
contain singularities that need to be
extracted and regulated

- We consider the double real emission contribution $d\sigma_{\text{rr}}$ that has the most complex singular structure. It includes different partonic channels



out of which we consider the channel $q + e \rightarrow q + e + gg$.

Deep inelastic scattering



- We write the differential cross section as

$$2s \cdot d\sigma_{rr} = \int [dg_5][dg_6] \overbrace{\theta(E_5 - E_6)}^{\text{energy ordering}} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \equiv \langle F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle$$

with

$$F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) = \mathcal{N} \int d\text{Lips} (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)}(p_1 + p_2 - p_3 - p_4 - p_5 - p_6) \\ \times |M^{\text{tree}}(\{p\}, p_5, p_6)|^2 \times \mathcal{O}(p_3, p_4, p_5, p_6)$$

$$[dg_i] = \frac{d^{d-1}p_i}{(2\pi)^{d-1}2E_i} \overbrace{\theta(E_{\text{max}} - E_i)}^{\text{needs to be sufficiently large but otherwise arbitrary}}$$

- The integral diverges and needs to be regulated. Due to the absence of entangled soft and collinear singularities all singularities can be subtracted **iteratively** using well understood soft & collinear limits [see Melnikov's talk].

Double-soft singularity

- To this end, we introduce an operator \mathbb{S} that extracts the leading double soft singularity ($E_5 \sim E_6 \rightarrow 0$). The action on $F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6)$ is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{S} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) &= \mathbb{S} \left[\mathcal{N} \int \text{dLips} (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)} \left(p_1 + p_2 - \sum_{i=3}^6 p_i \right) |M^{\text{tree}}(\{p\}, p_5, p_6)|^2 \mathcal{O}(p_3, p_4, p_5, p_6) \right] \\ &\equiv \underbrace{g_{s,b}^4 \times \text{Eikonal}(1, 4, 6, 7)}_{\substack{\text{independent of the hard matrix} \\ \text{element and the observable} \\ \text{[for explicit formula see Delto's talk]}}} \times \underbrace{\mathcal{N} \int \text{dLips} (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)} (p_1 + p_2 - p_3 - p_4) |M^{\text{tree}}(\{p\})|^2 \mathcal{O}(p_3, p_4)}_{\substack{\equiv F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4) \\ \text{LO differential cross-section,} \\ \text{independent of gluons 5 \& 6}}} \end{aligned}$$

- We insert the identity operator $I = (I - \mathbb{S}) + \mathbb{S}$ into the phase space

$$\langle F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle = \underbrace{\langle (I - \mathbb{S}) F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle}_{\substack{\text{double-soft singularity} \\ \text{regulated}}} + \underbrace{\langle \mathbb{S} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle}_{\substack{\text{subtraction term,} \\ \text{contains the } 1/\epsilon \text{ pole}}}$$

- In the first term: the double-soft singularity is regulated **locally** at any point of the phase space.

Double-soft singularity

- In the subtraction term the soft gluons decouple from the **matrix element**, the **observable**, the **LO phase space** and the **momentum conservation condition**.

$$\langle \mathcal{S} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle = g_{s,b}^4 \times \int [dg_5][dg_6] \theta(E_5 - E_6) \times \text{Eik}(1, 4, 5, 6) \times F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4)$$

- It can be integrated ***analytically*** over the phase space of the two gluons 5 & 6 [see Delto's talk; Caola, Delto, Frellesvig, Melnikov, Röntsch '18].
- Since they decouple from the momentum conservation condition the upper energy cut-off E_{max} is necessary to avoid artificial “UV” divergences.
- The double soft regulated term $\langle (I - \mathcal{S}) F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle$ still contains unregulated single-soft and collinear singularities; we will now regulate them **iteratively**.

Single-soft singularity

- The differential cross section $\langle (I - \mathcal{S})F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle$ contains only one single-soft singularity ($E_6 \rightarrow 0$) because of energy ordering $E_5 > E_6$.
- We introduce an operator S_6 that extracts the leading single-soft singularity

$$S_6 F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) = g_{s,b}^2 \times \frac{1}{E_6^2} \left[(2C_F - C_A) \frac{\rho_{14}}{\rho_{16}\rho_{46}} + C_A \left(\frac{\rho_{15}}{\rho_{16}\rho_{56}} + \frac{\rho_{45}}{\rho_{46}\rho_{56}} \right) \right] \times F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5),$$

where

$$\rho_{ij} = 1 - \vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{n}_j = 1 - \cos \theta_{ij}.$$

- We decompose an identity operator $I = (I - S_6) + S_6$ and insert it into the phase space

$$\langle (I - \mathcal{S})F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle = \underbrace{\langle (I - S_6)(I - \mathcal{S})F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle}_{\text{all soft singularities regulated}} + \underbrace{\langle S_6(I - \mathcal{S})F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle}_{\text{extracted } 1/\epsilon \text{ pole}}$$

- In the first term: all soft singularities are now regulated **locally** at any phase-space point of the resolved phase space. However, collinear singularities remain unregulated.
- In the subtraction term: the soft gluon decouples from the **matrix element** and the **observable**. Hence we can integrate **analytically** over the phase space of the gluon 6 [more details later].

Collinear singularities

$$|M^{\text{tree}}(\{p\}, p_5, p_6)|^2 = \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1: } p_5, p_6 \text{ collinear} \\ \text{Diagram 2: } p_6, p_5 \text{ collinear} \\ \text{Diagram 3: } p_5, p_6 \text{ collinear} \end{array} \right. + \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 4: } p_5, p_6 \text{ collinear} \end{array} \right. + \dots \Big|^2$$

- In the collinear limits, many different singular configurations exist.
- However, collinear singularities factorize on external legs, therefore either *three partons* become collinear (triple-collinear singularity) or *two pairs of partons* become collinear (double-collinear singularity) at once.
- To control which partons develop collinear singularities, the different configurations are separated by *introducing partition functions*.
- Different double collinear singularities in *triple collinear partitions* are further isolated in the angular phase space. We separate them by *splitting the phase space* into different *sectors*.

Partition functions

$$|M^{\text{tree}}(\{p\}, p_5, p_6)|^2 = \left| \begin{array}{c} \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{5} \quad \text{6} \\ \text{6} \quad \text{5} \\ \text{5} \quad \text{6} \end{array}} + \begin{array}{c} \text{6} \quad \text{5} \\ \text{5} \quad \text{6} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{5} \quad \text{6} \end{array} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{5} \quad \text{6} \end{array}} + \dots \end{array} \right|^2$$

- The different collinear configurations are separated by **introducing partition functions** in the phase space

$$1 = \boxed{w^{51,61}} + w^{54,64} + \boxed{w^{51,64}} + w^{54,61},$$

where

$$\lim_{5||l} w^{5i,6j} \sim \delta_{li}, \quad \lim_{6||l} w^{5i,6j} \sim \delta_{lj} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{5||i} \lim_{6||j} w^{5i,6j} = 1.$$

- One possible choice (that we use) is

$$w^{51,61} = \frac{\rho_{54}\rho_{64}}{d_5 d_6} \left(1 + \frac{\rho_{51}}{d_{5641}} + \frac{\rho_{61}}{d_{5614}} \right), \quad w^{51,64} = \frac{\rho_{54}\rho_{61}\rho_{56}}{d_5 d_6 d_{5614}},$$

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with

$$d_{i=5,6} \equiv \rho_{1i} + \rho_{4i}, \quad d_{5614} \equiv \rho_{56} + \rho_{51} + \rho_{64}, \quad d_{5641} \equiv \rho_{56} + \rho_{54} + \rho_{61}.$$

Partition functions

$$|M^{\text{tree}}(\{p\}, p_5, p_6)|^2 = \left| \begin{array}{c} \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{5} \quad \text{6} \\ \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} \end{array}} + \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{5} \quad \text{6} \\ \text{diagram 4} \end{array}} + \dots \end{array} \right|^2$$

- We then write the cross section as

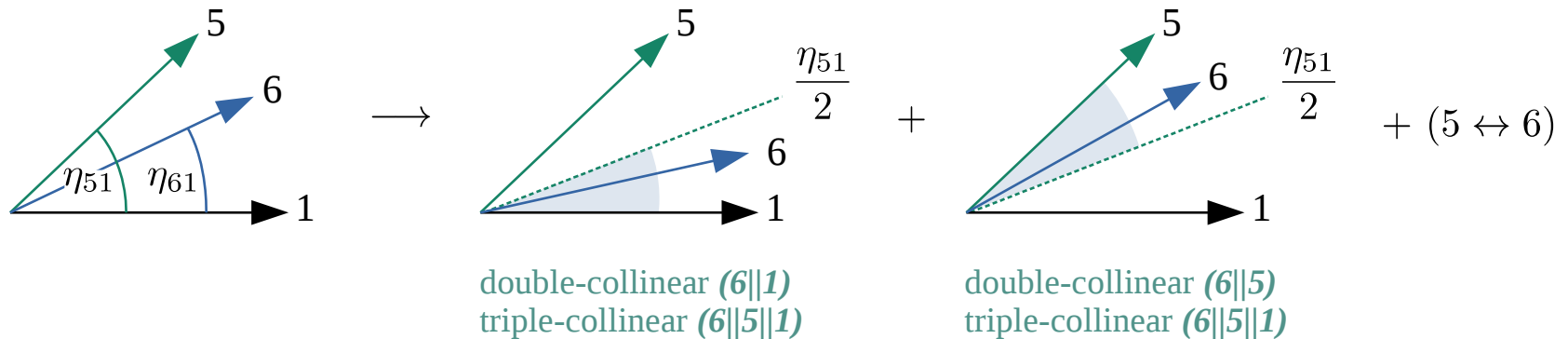
$$\langle (I - S_6)(I - \mathcal{S}) F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle = \langle (I - S_6)(I - \mathcal{S}) (\boxed{w^{51,61}} + w^{54,64} + \boxed{w^{51,64}} + w^{54,61}) F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle$$

- $\boxed{w^{51,64}} |M|^2$ is $\begin{cases} \text{singular when } (5||1) \text{ and } (6||4), \\ \text{finite when } (5||4), (6||1), (5||6), (5||6||1) \text{ and } (5||6||4). \end{cases}$
- However, $\boxed{w^{51,61}} |M|^2$ is $\begin{cases} \text{still singular when } (5||1), (6||1), (5||6) \text{ and } (5||6||1), \\ \text{finite for } (5||4), (6||4) \text{ and } (5||6||4). \end{cases}$

Phase space sectors

$$|M^{\text{tree}}(\{p\}, p_5, p_6)|^2 = \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{5} \quad \text{6} \\ \text{6} \quad \text{5} \\ \text{5} \quad \text{6} \end{array} \right. + \dots \left. \right|^2$$

- To separate the double collinear singularities in *triple collinear partitions* we **split the angular phase space** into different **sectors**.
- As an example we consider partition $w^{51,61}$ which describe triple-collinear emissions along p_1 . The angular phase space is split into regions with definite collinear singularities (with $\eta_{ij} = (1 - \cos \theta_{ij})/2$)

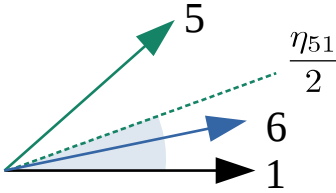


- In practice this is done by introducing the partition of the unity

$$1 = \theta\left(\eta_{61} < \frac{\eta_{51}}{2}\right) + \theta\left(\frac{\eta_{51}}{2} < \eta_{61} < \eta_{51}\right) + \theta\left(\eta_{51} < \frac{\eta_{61}}{2}\right) + \theta\left(\frac{\eta_{61}}{2} < \eta_{51} < \eta_{61}\right) \equiv \theta^{(a)} + \theta^{(b)} + \theta^{(c)} + \theta^{(d)}.$$

Collinear singularities

- In each partition and sector exactly two collinear singularities are present that are uniquely defined. It is now straightforward to regulate them.
- As an example, we consider the partition $w^{51,61}$ and the sector $\theta^{(a)} = \theta \left(\eta_{61} < \frac{\eta_{51}}{2} \right)$.



$$\left\langle (I - S_6)(I - \mathcal{S})w^{51,61}\theta^{(a)} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \right\rangle$$

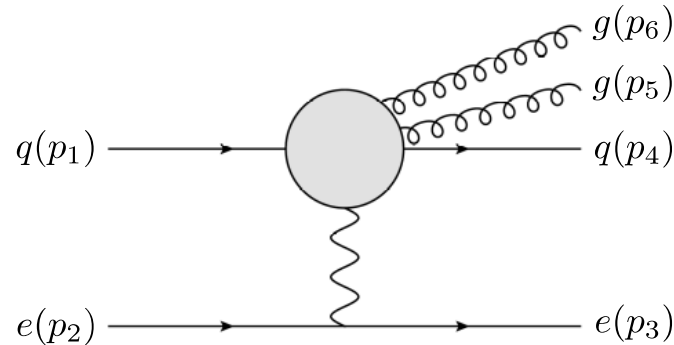
- By construction there are the **two collinear singularities**: a double-collinear when **(6||1)** and a triple-collinear when **(5||6||1)**. Introducing operators C_{61} and \mathcal{C}_1 that extract the corresponding leading singularities. We regulate the singularities iteratively by writing

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle (I - S_6)(I - \mathcal{S})w^{51,61}\theta^{(a)} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \right\rangle &= \left\langle (I - C_{61})(I - \mathcal{C}_1)(I - S_6)(I - \mathcal{S})w^{51,61}\theta^{(a)} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \right\rangle \\ &+ \left\langle C_{61}(I - \mathcal{C}_1)(I - S_6)(I - \mathcal{S})w^{51,61}\theta^{(a)} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \right\rangle \\ &+ \left\langle \mathcal{C}_1(I - S_6)(I - \mathcal{S})w^{51,61}\theta^{(a)} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

- In partition $w^{51,61}$ and sector $\theta^{(a)}$ all singularities are now regulated.
- We deal with remaining partitions and sectors in a similar way.

Fully regulated double-real contribution

- To regularize the real emission contribution



we need the following operators
(acting on matrix elements and the phase space)

\mathcal{S} Double-soft: $E_5, E_6 \rightarrow 0$

S_6 Single-soft: $E_6 \rightarrow 0$

$\mathcal{C}_{1,4}$ Triple-collinear: $(5 \parallel 6 \parallel 1)$ and $(5 \parallel 6 \parallel 4)$

$C_{51}, C_{54}, C_{61}, C_{64}$ Double-collinear: $(5 \parallel 1)$, $(5 \parallel 4)$ and $(6 \parallel 1)$ $(6 \parallel 1)$

C_{56} Double-collinear: $(5 \parallel 6)$

Fully regulated double-real contribution

- We obtain a very compact formula for the fully-regulated double-real contribution to DIS

$$\begin{aligned}
 2s \cdot d\sigma_{\text{rr}}^{\text{FR}} = & \sum_{\substack{i,j=1,4 \\ i \neq j}} \left\langle [I - \mathcal{S}][I - S_6][I - C_{6j}][I - C_{5i}][dg_5][dg_6]w^{5i,6j}F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \right\rangle \\
 & + \sum_{i=1,4} \left\langle [I - \mathcal{S}][I - S_6] \left[\theta^{(a)}[I - \mathcal{C}_i][I - C_{6i}] + \theta^{(b)}[I - \mathcal{C}_i][I - C_{56}] \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. + \theta^{(c)}[I - \mathcal{C}_i][I - C_{5i}] + \theta^{(d)}[I - \mathcal{C}_i][I - C_{56}] \right] \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \times [dg_5][dg_6]w^{5i,6j}F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \right\rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

- Actions of all operators are well defined and lead to analytic expressions that consists of matrix elements, splitting functions & phase-space weights whose numerical implementation is straightforward.
- The 16 terms in each contribution describe all physical singular limits that may occur at NNLO.
- $d\sigma_{\text{rr}}^{\text{FR}}$ is finite and can be used to numerically **compute arbitrary infra-red safe observables** in $d = 4$ dimensions.

Subtraction terms

- Analytic integration of the subtraction terms was discussed in Delto's talk.
- We find simplifications if we recombine all subtractions terms.
- For instance recombining all subtraction terms from single collinear final state emission

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\langle [I - \mathcal{S}][I - S_6] \left[C_{54} w^{54,61} + C_{64} w^{51,64} + \left(\theta^{(a)} C_{64} + \theta^{(c)} C_{54} \right) w^{54,64} \right] [dg_5][dg_6] F_{LM}(1, 4, 5, 6) \right\rangle \\
 &= \frac{[\alpha_s] C_F}{\epsilon} \left\langle \left[\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} + Z^{2,2} \right) (2E_4)^{-2\epsilon} - (2E_5)^{-2\epsilon} \right] \left(w_{DC}^{51} + w_{TC}^{54} \left(\frac{\rho_{54}}{4} \right)^{-\epsilon} \right) \boxed{F_{LM}(1, 4, 5)} \right\rangle \\
 &\quad - \frac{[\alpha_s]^2 C_F^2}{\epsilon^3} \left(\frac{1}{2\epsilon} + Z^{2,4} \right) \left\langle \langle \Delta_{51} \rangle_{S_5} (2E_4)^{-4\epsilon} F_{LM}(1, 4) \right\rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

NLO differential cross section

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^1 dz \, z^{-n\epsilon} (1-z)^{-m\epsilon} P_{qq}(z) &= - \left(\frac{2}{m\epsilon} + Z^{n,m} \right) = - \frac{2}{m\epsilon} - \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{12} [6 + 21m + 15n - 4n\pi^2] \epsilon + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2), \\
 \langle \Delta_{51} \rangle_{S_5} &= \left(- \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \frac{(4\pi)^\epsilon}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} \right] 2^{-2\epsilon} \right)^{-1} \int d\Omega_5^{(d-1)} \frac{\rho_{14}}{\rho_{15}\rho_{45}} \left[w_{DC}^{51} + w_{TC}^{54} \left(\frac{\rho_{54}}{4} \right)^{-\epsilon} \right] = \frac{3}{2} + \epsilon \left(\frac{\ln 2}{2} - 2 \ln \eta_{14} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2), \\
 w_{DC}^{51} &= C_{64} w^{51,64}, \\
 w_{TC}^{54} &= C_{64} w^{54,64}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- The subtraction terms contains the **NLO differential cross-section** with *NLO singularities*.

NLO singularities

- They are regulated using the NLO FKS method [Frixione, Kunszt, Signer '95]

$$\langle F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5) \rangle = \underbrace{\langle \hat{O}_{\text{NLO}} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5) \rangle}_{\text{fully regulated}} + \underbrace{\langle [C_{51} + C_{54}][I - S_5] F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5) \rangle + \langle S_5 F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5) \rangle}_{\text{subtraction terms, extracted } 1/\epsilon \text{ pole}}$$

- Final state emission fully regulated subtraction term

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle [I - \mathbb{S}][I - S_6] \left[C_{54} w^{54,61} + C_{64} w^{51,64} + \left(\theta^{(a)} C_{64} + \theta^{(c)} C_{54} \right) w^{54,64} \right] [dg_5][dg_6] F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{[\alpha_s] C_F}{\epsilon} \left\langle \hat{O}_{\text{NLO}} \left[\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} + Z^{2,2} \right) (2E_4)^{-2\epsilon} - \frac{1}{\epsilon} (2E_5)^{-2\epsilon} \right] \left[w_{\text{DC}}^{51} + w_{\text{TC}}^{54} \left(\frac{\rho_{54}}{4} \right)^{-\epsilon} \right] F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5) \right\rangle \\ &+ \frac{[\alpha_s]^2 C_F^2}{\epsilon^3} \left\langle \left[\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} + Z^{2,2} \right) (2E_4)^{-2\epsilon} (2E_{\text{max}})^{-2\epsilon} - \frac{1}{2\epsilon} (2E_{\text{max}})^{-4\epsilon} \right] \right. \\ &\quad \times \left[\langle \Delta_{51} \rangle_{S_5} - \frac{\Gamma^2(1-\epsilon)}{\Gamma(1-2\epsilon)} - \frac{2^\epsilon \Gamma(1-\epsilon) \Gamma(1-2\epsilon)}{2 \Gamma(1-3\epsilon)} \right] F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4) \Big\rangle \quad \text{NLO kinematics, all singularities regulated, needs to be calculated numerically} \\ &+ \frac{[\alpha_s]^2 C_F^2}{\epsilon^2} \left[\frac{2^\epsilon \Gamma(1-\epsilon) \Gamma(1-2\epsilon)}{2 \Gamma(1-3\epsilon)} \right] \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} + Z^{2,2} \right] \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} + Z^{4,2} \right] \left\langle (2E_4)^{-4\epsilon} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4) \right\rangle \quad \text{Born kinematics, contain poles} \\ &- \frac{[\alpha_s]^2 C_F^2}{\epsilon^3} \left[\frac{1}{2\epsilon} + Z^{2,4} \right] \left\langle \left[\langle \Delta_{51} \rangle_{S_5} + \left(\frac{2^\epsilon \Gamma(1-\epsilon) \Gamma(1-2\epsilon)}{2 \Gamma(1-3\epsilon)} \right) \right] (2E_4)^{-4\epsilon} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4) \right\rangle \\ &- \frac{[\alpha_s]^2 C_F^2}{\epsilon^2} \left[\frac{\Gamma^2(1-\epsilon)}{\Gamma(1-2\epsilon)} \right] \int dz \left\langle \left[\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} + Z^{2,2} \right) (2E_4)^{-2\epsilon} - \frac{1}{\epsilon} (2E_1)^{-2\epsilon} (1-z)^{-2\epsilon} \right] \right. \\ &\quad \times (2E_1)^{-2\epsilon} (1-z)^{-2\epsilon} \bar{P}_{qq}(z) \frac{F_{\text{LM}}(z \cdot 1, 4)}{z} \Big\rangle. \quad \text{boosted born kinematics} \end{aligned}$$

Combining contributions

- We combine the result with **real-virtual**, **double-virtual** and contributions from **collinear renormalization**.
- All ϵ - poles are known *analytically* and we can check the cancellation *explicitly*.
- For instance for the ϵ^{-4} - pole we find the contributions (no $d\sigma_{\text{pdf}} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-2})$)

$$d\sigma_{\text{rr}} = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^2 \times \frac{1}{\epsilon^4} \left(\frac{C_A C_F}{2} + 2C_F^2 \right) \times \langle F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4) \rangle + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-3})$$

$$d\sigma_{\text{rv}} = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^2 \times \frac{1}{\epsilon^4} \left(-\frac{C_A C_F}{2} - 4C_F^2 \right) \times \langle F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4) \rangle + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-3})$$

$$d\sigma_{\text{vv}} = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^2 \times \frac{1}{\epsilon^4} \left(2C_F^2 \right) \times \langle F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4) \rangle + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-3})$$


$$\Rightarrow d\sigma_{\text{NNLO}} = d\sigma_{\text{rr}} + d\sigma_{\text{rv}} + d\sigma_{\text{vv}} + d\sigma_{\text{pdf}} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-3})$$

- We can take the $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ explicitly and obtain an analytical 4 - dimensional formula for the fully-differential cross section.

Validation of results

- Our results have been extensively tested against known analytic results [Kazakov et al. '90; Zijlstra, van Neerven '92; Moch, Vermaseren '00; ...].
- In the case of photon-induced deep-inelastic scattering with only up-quarks and gluons in the initial state and $\sqrt{s} = 100 \text{ GeV}$, $10 \text{ GeV} < Q < 100 \text{ GeV}$, $\mu_R = \mu_F = 100 \text{ GeV}$ we obtain permille agreement for the **NNLO contribution**

$$\sigma = \sigma_{\text{LO}} + \sigma_{\text{NLO}} + \sigma_{\text{NNLO}}$$



channel	numerical result	analytic result
$\sigma_{\text{q,ns}}^{\text{NNLO}}$	$[33.1(2) - 2.18(1) \cdot n_f] \text{ pb}$	$[33.1 - 2.17 \cdot n_f] \text{ pb}$
$\sigma_{\text{q,s}}^{\text{NNLO}}$	$9.19(2) \text{ pb}$	9.18 pb
$\sigma_{\text{g}}^{\text{NNLO}}$	$-142.4(4) \text{ pb}$	-142.7 pb

[Asteriadis, Caola, Melnikov, Rönsch '19]

- In general, we find that we can get permill precision on the NNLO total cross section, corresponding to a few percent precision on the NNLO coefficient, running for a few hours on an 8-core machine.

Conclusion

- We applied the nested soft-collinear subtraction scheme to DIS.
- The double real emission contribution is regulated **locally** and finite in any point of the phase space.
- The poles are extracted **analytically** and the cancellation of the ε – poles between different contributions was checked explicitly.
- We obtained a 4 - dimensional formula for the fully-differential DIS cross section that can be used to calculate arbitrary infra-red safe observables numerically.
- The formulas are checked numerically against analytic results. We found that the total NNLO cross section can be calculated in only a few CPU hours to permille precision.
- The analytic formulas can be used as **building blocks** to design subtractions for more complex LHC processes.

Backup slides

Single-soft subtraction terms

- We consider the double-soft regulated single-soft subtraction term:

Double-soft regulated single-soft

$$\langle (1 - \mathbb{S}) F_{LM}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle = \langle (1 - S_6)(1 - \mathbb{S}) F_{LM}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle + \langle S_6(1 - \mathbb{S}) F_{LM}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle$$

NLO kinematics, all singularities regulated, needs to be calculated numerically

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle [1 - \mathbb{S}] S_6 F_{LM}(1, 4, 5, 6) \right\rangle &= \left\langle \hat{O}_{NLO} J_{145} F_{LM}(1, 4, 5) \right\rangle \\ &- \frac{[\alpha_s]^2 C_F}{\epsilon^3} \left\langle \left[2C_F \left(\frac{\Gamma^2(1 - \epsilon)}{\Gamma(1 - 2\epsilon)} \right) \eta_{14}^{-\epsilon} K_{14} + C_A \left(\frac{\Gamma^4(1 - \epsilon)\Gamma(1 + \epsilon)}{2\Gamma(1 - 3\epsilon)} \right) \right] \right. \\ &\times \left[\left(\frac{1}{2\epsilon} \left((2E_{\max})^{-4\epsilon} - (2E_4)^{-4\epsilon} \right) - Z^{2,4} (2E_4)^{-4\epsilon} \right) F_{LM}(1, 4) \right. \\ &\left. \left. + \frac{1}{2\epsilon} (2E_{\max})^{-4\epsilon} F_{LM}(1, 4) + (2E_1)^{-4\epsilon} \int dz (1 - z)^{-4\epsilon} \bar{P}_{qq}(z) \frac{F_{LM}(z \cdot 1, 4)}{z} \right] \right\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Born kinematics, contain poles explicitly

with

$$\begin{aligned} K_{ij} &= \left[\frac{\Gamma^2(1 - \epsilon)}{\Gamma(1 - 2\epsilon)} \right] \eta_{ij}^{1+\epsilon} {}_2F_1(1, 1, 1 - \epsilon, 1 - \eta_{ij}) = 1 + \left[\text{Li}_2(1 - \eta_{ij}) - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right] \epsilon^2 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3) \\ J_{145} &= \frac{[\alpha_s]}{\epsilon^2} \left[(2C_F - C_A) \eta_{14}^{-\epsilon} K_{14} + C_A \left[\eta_{15}^{-\epsilon} K_{15} + \eta_{45}^{-\epsilon} K_{45} \right] \right] (2E_5)^{-2\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

- Explicit E_{\max} dependence cancels against implicit dependence in the fully regulated double real contribution. This provides a powerful check on the implementation.

Phase space parametrization

- We parametrize the directions of gluons 5 and 6 as

$$\begin{aligned} n_5^\mu &= t^\mu + \cos \theta_5 \epsilon_3^\mu + \sin \theta_5 b^\mu, \\ n_6^\mu &= t^\mu + \cos \theta_6 \epsilon_3^\mu + \sin \theta_6 (\cos \varphi_6 b^\mu + \sin \varphi_6 a^\mu), \end{aligned}$$

and write the angular phase space as

$$d\Omega_5 d\Omega_6 = d\Omega_{56} = \frac{d\Omega_b^{(d-2)} d\Omega_a^{(d-3)}}{2^{6\epsilon} (2\pi)^{2d-2}} [\eta_5(1-\eta_5)]^{-\epsilon} [\eta_6(1-\eta_6)]^{-\epsilon} \frac{|\eta_5 - \eta_6|^{1-2\epsilon}}{D^{1-2\epsilon}} \frac{d\eta_5 d\eta_6 d\lambda}{[\lambda(1-\lambda)]^{\frac{1}{2}+\epsilon}}$$

where

$$D = \eta_5 \eta_6 - 2\eta_5 \eta_6 + 2(2-1) \sqrt{\eta_5 \eta_6 (1-\eta_5)(1-\eta_6)}$$

and

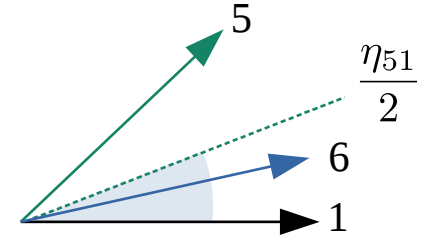
$$\eta_{56} = \frac{|\eta_5 - \eta_6|^2}{D} \quad \sin^2 \varphi_{56} = 4\lambda(1-\lambda) \frac{|\eta_5 - \eta_6|^2}{D^2}$$

- In the different sectors we perform the substitutions

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \eta_5 &= x_3 & \eta_6 &= \frac{x_3 x_4}{2} \\ \text{(b)} \quad \eta_5 &= x_3 & \eta_6 &= x_3 \left(1 - \frac{x_4}{2}\right) \\ \text{(c)} \quad \eta_5 &= \frac{x_3 x_4}{2} & \eta_6 &= x_3 \\ \text{(d)} \quad \eta_5 &= x_3 \left(1 - \frac{x_4}{2}\right) & \eta_6 &= x_3 \end{aligned}$$

Phase space parametrization

- For instance in sector (a) $\eta_5 = x_3$ $\eta_6 = \frac{x_3 x_4}{2}$ we then obtain



$$d\Omega_{56}^{(a)} = \left[\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \frac{(4\pi)^\epsilon}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} \right] \left[\frac{\Gamma^2(1-\epsilon)}{\Gamma(1-2\epsilon)} \right] \frac{d\Omega_b^{(d-2)}}{\Omega^{d-2}} \frac{d\Omega_a^{(d-3)}}{\Omega^{d-3}} \boxed{\frac{dx_3}{x_3^{1+2\epsilon}} \frac{dx_4}{x_4^{1+2\epsilon}}} \frac{d\lambda}{\pi[\lambda(1-\lambda)]^{\frac{1}{2}+\epsilon}} (256F_\epsilon)^{-\epsilon} 4F_0 x_3^2 x_4$$

where

$$F_\epsilon = \frac{(1-x_3)(1-\frac{x_3 x_4}{2})(1-\frac{x_4}{2})^2}{2N(x_3, x_4, \lambda)^2} \quad F_0 = \frac{1-\frac{x_4}{2}}{2N(x_3, \frac{x_4}{2}, \lambda)}$$

and

$$N(x_3, x_4, \lambda) = 1 + x_4(1-2x_3) - 2(1-2\lambda)\sqrt{x_4(1-x_3)(1-x_3 x_4)}$$

- This parametrization accounts for the angular ordering of sector $\theta^{(a)} = \theta \left(\eta_{61} < \frac{\eta_{51}}{2} \right)$ by construction.
- The double (6||1) and triple (5||6||1) collinear singularities in this sector are $x_4 = 0$ and $x_3 = 0$; they are **factored out explicitly**.
- The same happened for sectors $\theta^{(b)}$ to $\theta^{(d)}$.
- For a simpler analytic integration we define the single collinear limits to also act on the phase space.

Double-soft limit

- The double soft limit of the amplitude is given by [Catani, Grazzini '99]

$$\lim_{E_5, E_6 \rightarrow 0} |M^{\text{tree}}(\{p\}, p_5, p_6)|^2 = g_{s,b}^2 \times \text{Eikonal}(1, 4, 5, 6) \times |M^{\text{tree}}(\{p\})|^2,$$

where

$$\text{Eikonal}(1, 4, 6, 7) = 4C_F^2 S_{14}(6) S_{14}(7) + C_A C_F [2S_{12}(6, 7) - S_{11}(6, 7) - S_{22}(6, 7)],$$

$$S_{ij}(k) = \frac{p_i \cdot p_j}{[p_i \cdot p_k][p_j \cdot p_k]},$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{ij}(k, l) &= S_{ij}^{\text{so}}(k, l) - \frac{2[p_i \cdot p_j]}{[p_k \cdot p_l][p_i \cdot (p_k + p_l)][p_j \cdot (p_k + p_l)]} \\ &\quad + \frac{[p_i \cdot p_k][p_j \cdot p_l] + [p_i \cdot p_l][p_j \cdot p_k]}{[p_i \cdot (p_k + p_l)][p_j \cdot (p_k + p_l)]} \left(\frac{1 - \epsilon}{[p_k \cdot p_l]^2} - \frac{1}{2} S_{ij}^{\text{so}}(k, l) \right), \\ S_{ij}^{\text{so}}(k, l) &= \frac{p_i \cdot p_j}{p_k \cdot p_l} \left(\frac{1}{[p_i \cdot p_k][p_j \cdot p_l]} + \frac{1}{[p_i \cdot p_l][p_j \cdot p_k]} \right) - \frac{[p_i \cdot p_j]^2}{[p_i \cdot p_k][p_j \cdot p_k][p_i \cdot p_l][p_j \cdot p_l]}. \end{aligned}$$

- The limit is known independent of the hard matrix element.

Collinear subtraction terms

- Consider a double-collinear limit of the amplitude

$$|M(\{p\}, p_5, p_6)|^2 \underset{p_6 \parallel p_1}{\approx} -g_{s,b}^2 \times \frac{1}{E_1 E_6} P_{qq} \left(\frac{E_1}{E_1 - E_6} \right) \times \frac{1}{\rho_{16}} \times \left| M \left(\left\{ \frac{E_1 - E_6}{E_1} \cdot p_1, \dots \right\}, p_5 \right) \right|^2,$$

where

$$P_{qq}(z) = C_F \left[\frac{1+z^2}{1-z} - \epsilon(1-z) \right].$$

- To calculate the corresponding subtraction term analytically it is crucial that the d - dimensional phase space is parametrized in such a way that the collinear singularity factorizes

$$\int [dg_6] |M(\{p\}, p_5, p_6)|^2 \sim \int d\rho_{16} \rho_{61}^{-\epsilon} \times \frac{1}{\rho_{16}} \sim -\frac{2^{-\epsilon}}{\epsilon}.$$

- Using the phase space parametrization from [Czakon '10, Phys.Lett. B693 (2010) 259-268] the singularities in all sectors are made explicit.

Contributions to the ϵ^{-3} - pole

- No contributions from $d\sigma_{\text{pdf}} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-2})$.
- $d\sigma_{\text{rr}}$ only has contributions from $\langle \mathcal{S} F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle$ and $\langle S_6(I - \mathcal{S}) F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4, 5, 6) \rangle$.
- $\left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^2 \times \frac{1}{\epsilon^3}$ neglected.
- Contributions proportional to the ***LO differential cross section***

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma_{\text{rr}} : & \left\langle \left(\frac{20}{12} C_A C_F + 3C_F^2 - C_A C_F \ln \left(\frac{s_{14}}{\mu^2} \right) - 4C_F^2 \ln \left(\frac{s_{14}}{\mu^2} \right) \right) \times F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4) \right\rangle \\
 d\sigma_{\text{rv}} : & \left\langle \left(-\frac{9}{12} C_A C_F - 9C_F^2 + C_A C_F \ln \left(\frac{s_{14}}{\mu^2} \right) + 8C_F^2 \ln \left(\frac{s_{14}}{\mu^2} \right) \right) \times F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4) \right\rangle \\
 d\sigma_{\text{vv}} : & \left\langle \left(-\frac{11}{12} C_A C_F + 6C_F^2 - 4C_F^2 \ln \left(\frac{s_{14}}{\mu^2} \right) \right) \times F_{\text{LM}}(1, 4) \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

- Contributions proportional to the ***boosted LO differential cross section***

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma_{\text{rr}} : & \left\langle \left(\frac{1}{2} C_A C_F (1+z) + 2C_F^2 (1+z) - C_A C_F \left[\frac{1}{1-z} \right]_+ - 4C_F^2 \left[\frac{1}{1-z} \right]_+ \right) \times \frac{F_{\text{LM}}(z \cdot 1, 4)}{z} \right\rangle \\
 d\sigma_{\text{rv}} : & \left\langle \left(-\frac{1}{2} C_A C_F (1+z) - 2C_F^2 (1+z) + C_A C_F \left[\frac{1}{1-z} \right]_+ + 4C_F^2 \left[\frac{1}{1-z} \right]_+ \right) \times \frac{F_{\text{LM}}(z \cdot 1, 4)}{z} \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$