

NLO BFKL and anomalous dimensions of light-ray operators

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- Light-ray operators.
- Regge limit in the coordinate space.
- “BFKL” representation of 4-point correlation function in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM.
- “DGLAP” representation of 4-point correlation function.
- Anomalous dimensions from DGAP vs BFKL representations.

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Q: which one?

A: gluon light-ray (LR) operator

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Gluon light-ray (LR) operator of twist 2

$$F_{-i}^a(x'_+ + x_\perp)[x'_+, x_+]^{ab} F_-^{b\ i}(x_+ + x_\perp)$$

Forward matrix element - gluon parton density

$$z^\mu z^\nu \langle p | F_{\mu\xi}^a(z)[z, 0]^{ab} F_\nu^{b\xi}(0) | p \rangle^\mu \stackrel{z^2=0}{=} 2(pz)^2 \int_0^1 dx_B x_B D_g(x_B, \mu) \cos(pz) x_B$$

Evolution equation (in gluodynamics)

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu^2 \frac{d}{d\mu^2} F_{-i}^a(x'_+ + x_\perp)[x'_+, x_+]^{ab} F_-^{b\ i}(x_+ + x_\perp) \\ &= \int_{x_+}^{x'_+} dz'_+ \int_{x_+}^{z'_+} dz_+ K(x'_+, x_+; z'_+, z_+; \alpha_s) F_{-i}^a(z'_+ + x_\perp)[z'_+, z_+]^{ab} F_-^{b\ i}(z_+ + x_\perp) \end{aligned}$$

“Forward” LR operator

$$F(L_+, x_\perp) = \int dx_+ F_{-i}^a(L_+ + x_+ + x_\perp)[L_+ + x_+, x_+]^{ab} F_-^{bi}(x_+ + x_\perp)$$

Light-ray operators and parton densities

Expansion in (“forward”) local operators

$$F(L_+, x_\perp) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{L_+^{n-2}}{(n-2)!} \mathcal{O}_n^g(x_\perp), \quad \mathcal{O}_n^g \equiv \int dx_+ F_-^a \nabla_-^{n-2} F_-^{ai}(x_+, x_\perp)$$

Evolution equation for $F(L_+, x_\perp)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} F(L_+, x_\perp) &= \int_0^1 du K_{gg}(u, \alpha_s) F(u L_+, x_\perp) \\ \Rightarrow \gamma_n(\alpha_s) &= - \int_0^1 du u^{n-2} K_{gg}(u, \alpha_s) \quad \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \mathcal{O}_n^g = -\gamma_n(\alpha_s) \mathcal{O}_n^g \end{aligned}$$

$u^{-1} K_{gg}$ - DGLAP kernel

$$u^{-1} K_{gg}(u) = \frac{2\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \left(\bar{u}u + \left[\frac{1}{\bar{u}u} \right]_+ - 2 + \frac{11}{12} \delta(\bar{u}) \right) + \text{higher orders in } \alpha_s$$

Light-ray operators

Conformal LR operator ($j = \frac{1}{2} + i\nu$)

$$\begin{aligned} F^\mu(L_+, x_\perp) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\nu}{2\pi} (L_+)^{-\frac{3}{2}+i\nu} \mathcal{F}_{\frac{1}{2}+i\nu}^\mu(x_\perp) \\ \mathcal{F}_j^\mu(x_\perp) &= \int_0^{\infty} dL_+ L_+^{1-j} F^\mu(L_+, x_\perp) \end{aligned}$$

Evolution equation for “forward” conformal light-ray operators

$$\Rightarrow \mu^2 \frac{d}{d\mu^2} \mathcal{F}_j(z_\perp) = \int_0^1 du K_{gg}(u, \alpha_s) u^{j-2} \mathcal{F}_j(z_\perp)$$

$\Rightarrow \gamma_j(\alpha_s)$ is an analytical continuation of $\gamma_n(\alpha_s)$

Conformal four-point amplitude in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM

4-point correlation function (CF)

$$A(x, y, x', y') = [(x - y)^2 (x' - y')^2]^{2+\gamma_k} N_c^2 \langle \mathcal{O}(x) \mathcal{O}(y) \mathcal{O}(x') \mathcal{O}(y') \rangle$$

$\mathcal{O} = \phi_I^a \phi_I^a$ - Konishi operator (γ_k - anomalous dimension)

In a conformal theory the amplitude is a function of two conformal ratios

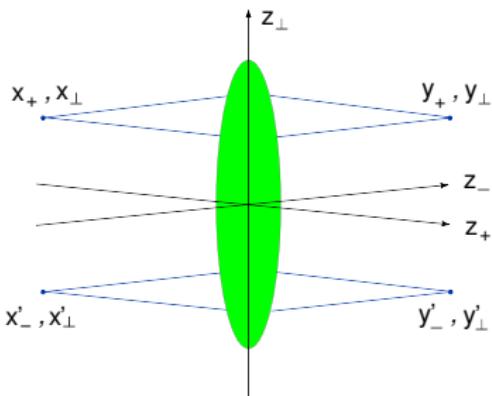
$$\begin{aligned} A &= F(R, R') \\ R &= \frac{(x - y)^2 (x' - y')^2}{(x - x')^2 (y - y')^2}, \quad R' = \frac{(x - y)^2 (x' - y')^2}{(x - y')^2 (x' - y)^2} \end{aligned}$$

At large N_c

$$A(x, y, x', y') = A(g^2 N_c) \quad g^2 N_c = \lambda \text{ -- 't Hooft coupling}$$

Regge limit in the coordinate space

Regge limit: $x_+ \rightarrow \rho x_+$, $x'_+ \rightarrow \rho x'_+$, $y_- \rightarrow \rho' y_-$, $y'_- \rightarrow \rho' y'_-$ $\rho, \rho' \rightarrow \infty$

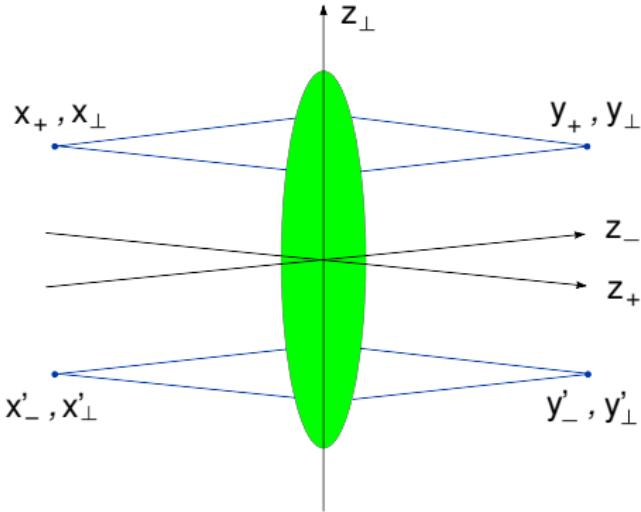


Full 4-dim conformal group: $A = F(R, r)$

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \frac{(x-y)^2(x'-y')^2}{(x-x')^2(y-y')^2} \rightarrow \frac{\rho^2\rho'^2 x_+ x'_+ y_- y'_-}{(x-x')_\perp^2 (y-y')_\perp^2} \rightarrow \infty \\ r &= \frac{[(x-y)^2(x'-y')^2 - (x'-y)^2(x-y)^2]^2}{(x-x')^2(y-y')^2(x-y)^2(x'-y')^2} \\ &\rightarrow \frac{[(x'-y')_\perp^2 x_+ y_- + x'_+ y'_- (x-y)_\perp^2 + x_+ y'_- (x'-y)_\perp^2 + x'_+ y_- (x-y')_\perp^2]^2}{(x-x')_\perp^2 (y-y')_\perp^2 x_+ x'_+ y_- y'_-} \end{aligned}$$

4-dim conformal group versus $SL(2, C)$

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Regge limit symmetry: 2-dim conformal group $SL(2, C)$ formed from P_1, P_2, M^{12}, D, K_1 and K_2 which leave the plane $(0, 0, z_\perp)$ invariant.

Pomeron in a conformal theory

$$A(x, y; x', y') \stackrel{s \rightarrow \infty}{=} \frac{i}{2} \int d\nu f_+(\aleph(\lambda, \nu)) F(\lambda, \nu) \Omega(r, \nu) R^{\aleph(\lambda, \nu)/2}$$

L. Cornalba (2007)

$f_+(\omega) = \frac{e^{i\pi\omega} - 1}{\sin \pi\omega}$ - signature factor

$$\Omega(r, \nu) = \frac{\sin \nu \rho}{\sinh \rho}, \quad \cosh \rho = \frac{\sqrt{r}}{2}$$

- solution of the eqn $(\square_{H_3} + \nu^2 + 1)\Omega(r, \nu) = 0$

The dynamics is described by:

$\aleph(\lambda, \nu)$ - pomeron intercept,

and

$F(\lambda, \nu)$ - “pomeron residue”.

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Pomeron intercept:

$$\aleph(\nu, \lambda) = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi^2} \left[\chi(\nu) + \frac{\lambda}{16\pi^2} \delta(\nu) \right] + O(\lambda^3)$$

$$\chi(\nu) = 2\psi(1) - \psi\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\nu\right) - \psi\left(\frac{1}{2} - i\nu\right) = -S_1\left(-\frac{1}{2} + i\nu\right) + \text{c.c.} \quad - \quad \text{BFKL intercept,}$$

$$\delta(\nu) = -\frac{3}{2}\zeta(3) + \pi^2 \ln 2 + \frac{\pi^2}{3} S_1\left(-\frac{1}{2} + i\nu\right) + 2S_3\left(-\frac{1}{2} + i\nu\right) + \pi^2 S_{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2} + i\nu\right) - 4S_{-2,1}\left(-\frac{1}{2} + i\nu\right) + \text{c.c.}$$

- NLO BFKL intercept

$S_i(x)$ - harmonic sums

Lipatov, Kotikov (2000)

“Pomeron residue” $F(\nu, \lambda)$:

$$F(\nu, \lambda) = \lambda^2 F_0(\nu) + \lambda^3 F_1(\nu) + \dots$$

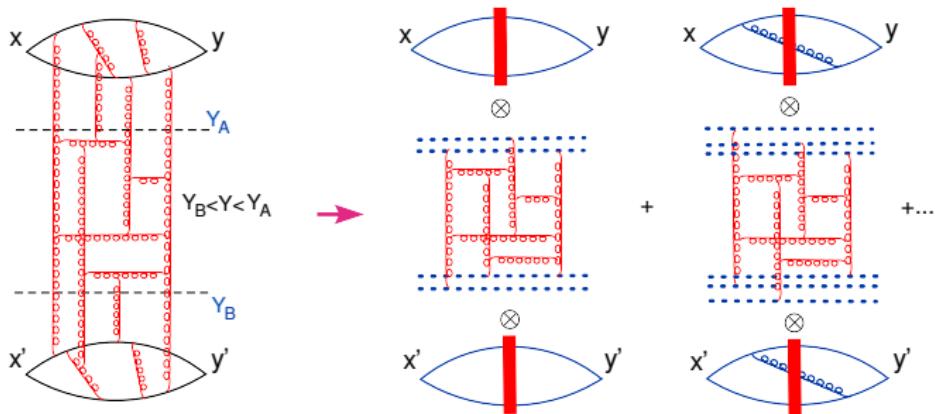
$$F_0(\nu) = \frac{\pi \sinh \pi \nu}{4\nu \cosh^3 \pi \nu}$$

Cornalba, Costa, Penedones (2007)

$F_1(\nu)$ = see below

G. Chirilli and I.B. (2009)

NLO Amplitude in $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM theory: factorization in rapidity

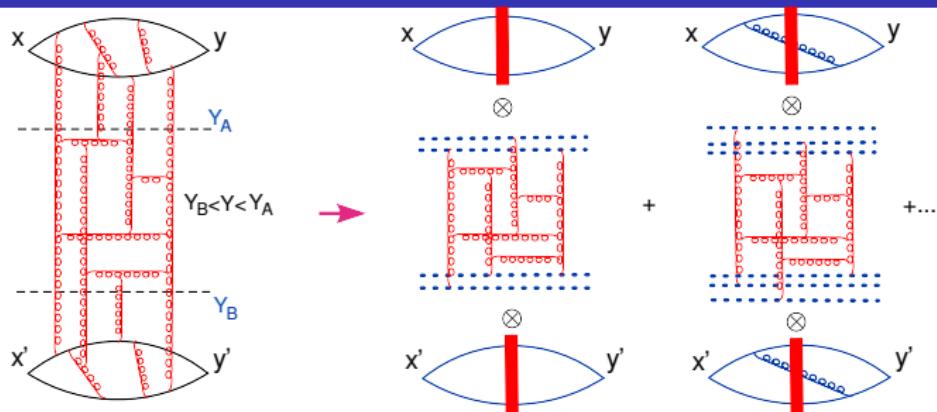


$$[(x-y)^2(x'-y')^2]^{2+\gamma_k} \langle T\{\hat{\mathcal{O}}(x)\hat{\mathcal{O}}(y)\hat{\mathcal{O}}(x')\hat{\mathcal{O}}(y')\} \rangle$$

$$= \int d^2 z_{1\perp} d^2 z_{2\perp} d^2 z'_{1\perp} d^2 z'_{2\perp} \text{IF}^{a_0}(x, y; z_1, z_2) [\text{DD}]^{a_0, b_0}(z_1, z_2; z'_1, z'_2) \text{IF}^{b_0}(x', y'; z'_1, z'_2)$$

$a_0 = \frac{x+y}{(x-y)^2}$, $b_0 = \frac{x'-y'}{(x'-y')^2} \Leftrightarrow$ impact factors do not scale with energy
 \Rightarrow all energy dependence is contained in $[\text{DD}]^{a_0, b_0}$ ($a_0 b_0 = R$)

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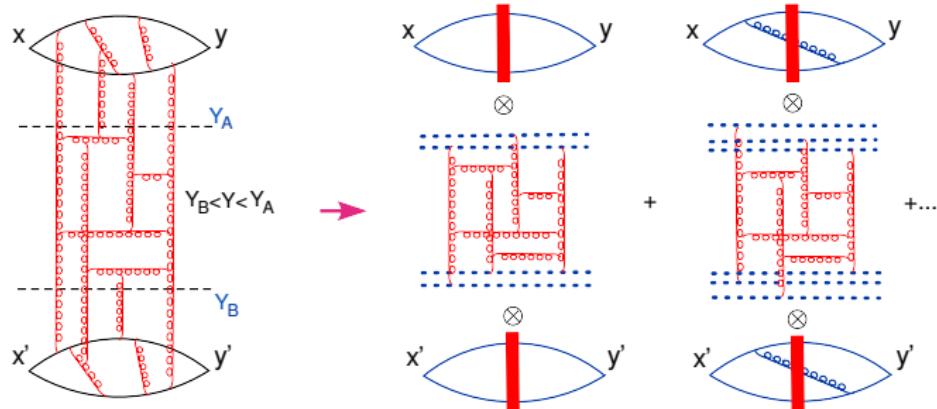
Dipole-dipole scattering

$$\chi(\gamma) \equiv 2C - \psi(\gamma) - \psi(1-\gamma)$$

$$[\text{DD}] = \int d\nu \int dz_0 \left(\frac{z_{12}^2}{z_{10}^2 z_{20}^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}+i\nu} \left(\frac{z_{12}^2}{z_{10}^2 z_{20}^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}-i\nu} D\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\nu; \lambda\right) R^{\omega(\nu)/2}$$

$$D(\gamma; \lambda) = \frac{\Gamma(-\gamma)\Gamma(\gamma-1)}{\Gamma(1+\gamma)\Gamma(2-\gamma)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\lambda}{4\pi^2} \left[\frac{\chi(\gamma)}{\gamma(1-\gamma)} - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right] + O(\lambda^2) \right\}$$

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Result :

(G.A. Chirilli and I.B., 2010)

$$F(\nu) = \frac{N_c^2}{N_c^2 - 1} \frac{4\pi^4 \alpha_s^2}{\cosh^2 \pi \nu} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \left[\frac{\pi^2}{2} - \frac{2\pi^2}{\cosh^2 \pi \nu} - \frac{8}{1+4\nu^2} \right] + O(\alpha_s^2) \right\}$$

Light-cone OPE in Cornalba's formula

$$[x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2]^{2+\gamma_K} \langle \mathcal{O}(x_1) \mathcal{O}(x_2) \mathcal{O}(x_3) \mathcal{O}(x_4) \rangle = \frac{i}{2} \int d\nu \frac{\tanh \pi \nu}{\nu} F(\nu) \Omega(r, \nu) R^{\frac{1}{2}\aleph(\nu)} \tilde{f}_+(\aleph(\nu))$$

$\aleph(\nu)$ - pomeron intercept, $\tilde{f}_+(\omega) = (e^{i\pi\omega} - 1)/\sin \pi\omega$ - signature factor

$$\Omega(r, \nu) = \frac{\nu}{2\pi^2} \frac{\sin 2\nu\rho}{\sinh \rho}, \quad \cosh \rho = \frac{\sqrt{r}}{2}$$

In the double limit (Regge) + ($x_{12}^2 \rightarrow 0$)

$$R = \frac{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}{x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2} \rightarrow \frac{x_{1+} x_{2+} x_{3-} x_{4-}}{x_{12\perp}^2 x_{34\perp}^2}$$
$$r \rightarrow \frac{x_{12+}^2 (x_{3-} x_{14\perp}^2 - x_{4-} x_{13\perp}^2)^2}{x_{1+} x_{2+} x_{3-} x_{4-} x_{12\perp}^2 x_{34\perp}^2}$$

$$\Omega(r, \nu) \rightarrow \frac{\nu}{2\pi^2 i} (r^{-\frac{1}{2}+i\nu} - r^{-\frac{1}{2}-i\nu})$$

Light-cone limit of Cornalba's formula

Cornalba's formula as $x_{12\perp}^2 \rightarrow 0$

$$[x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2]^{2+\gamma_K} \int dx_{2+} dx_{3-} \langle \mathcal{O}(L_+ + x_{2+}, x_{1\perp}) \mathcal{O}(x_{2+}, x_{2\perp}) \mathcal{O}(L_- + x_{3-}, x_{2\perp}) \mathcal{O}(x_{3-}, x_{3\perp}) \rangle \\ = \frac{i\alpha_s^2}{8} \pi^2 L_+ L_- \int_0^1 du dv \int d\nu \frac{\tanh \pi\nu}{\nu \cosh^2 \pi\nu} \left(\frac{x_{12\perp}^2 x_{34\perp}^2 \bar{u} u \bar{v} v}{[x_{13\perp}^2 v + x_{14\perp}^2 \bar{v}]^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2} + i\nu} \left(\frac{L_+^2 L_-^2 \bar{u} u \bar{v} v}{x_{12\perp}^2 x_{34\perp}^2} \right)^{\aleph(\nu)/2} f_+$$

$$= \frac{i\alpha_s^2}{8} \pi^2 \int_0^1 dv \int_{\frac{1}{2}-i\infty}^{\frac{1}{2}+i\infty} d\xi f(\aleph(\xi)) \quad \xi \equiv \frac{1}{2} + i\nu \\ \times \frac{(\bar{v}v)^{1-\xi+\frac{\aleph(\xi)}{2}} \cos \pi\xi}{(\xi - \frac{1}{2}) \sin^3 \pi\xi} \frac{B(2-\xi+\frac{\aleph(\xi)}{2})}{[x_{13\perp}^2 v + x_{14\perp}^2 \bar{v}]^{2+\aleph(\xi)}} \left(\frac{x_{12\perp}^2 x_{34\perp}^2}{[x_{13\perp}^2 v + x_{14\perp}^2 \bar{v}]^2} \right)^{-\xi-\frac{\aleph(\xi)}{2}} (L_+ L_-)^{1+\aleph(\xi)}$$

= “BFKL” representation of the amplitude in the $(\text{Regge}) + (x_{12}^2 \rightarrow 0)$ limit

Supermultiplet of twist-2 operators

SU_4 singlet operators.

(Korchemsky et al, 2003)

$$\begin{aligned} S_{1n}(z) &= \mathcal{O}_g^n(z) + \frac{n-1}{8} \mathcal{O}_\lambda^n(z) - \frac{n(n-1)}{8} \mathcal{O}_\phi^n(z) \\ S_{2n}(z) &= \mathcal{O}_g^n(z) - \frac{1}{8} \mathcal{O}_\lambda^n(z) + \frac{n(n+1)}{24} \mathcal{O}_\phi^n(z) \\ S_{3n}(z) &= \mathcal{O}_g^n(z) - \frac{n+2}{4} \mathcal{O}_\lambda^n(z) - \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{8} \mathcal{O}_\phi^n(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_\lambda^n(x_\perp) &= \int dx_+ i \bar{\lambda}^a \nabla^{n-1} \sigma_- \lambda^a(x_+, x_\perp) \\ \mathcal{O}_\phi^n(z) &= \int dx_+ \bar{\phi}^{a,I} \nabla^n \phi^{a,I}(x_+, x_\perp) \end{aligned}$$

All operators have the same anomalous dimension

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Supermultiplet of LR operators

Gluino and scalar LR operators

$$\Lambda(L_+, x_\perp) = \frac{i}{2} \int dx'_+ [\bar{\lambda}^a(L_+ + x_+ + x_\perp)[x'_+ + x_+, x_+]^{ab} \sigma_- \nabla_- \lambda^b(x_+ + x_\perp) + \text{c.c}]$$

$$\Phi(L_+, x_\perp) = \int dx'_+ \phi^{a,I}(L_+ + x_+ + x_\perp)[x'_+ + x_+, x_+]^{ab} \nabla_-^2 \phi^{b,I}(x_+ + x_\perp)$$

$$\Lambda_j(x_\perp) = \int_0^\infty dL_+ L_+^{-j+1} \Lambda(L_+, x_\perp), \quad \Phi_j(x_\perp) = \int_0^\infty dL_+ L_+^{-j+1} \Phi(L_+, x_\perp)$$

SU_4 singlet LR operators.

$$S_{1j}(x_\perp) = F_j(x_\perp) + \frac{j-1}{8} \Lambda_j(x_\perp) - \frac{j(j-1)}{8} \Phi_j(x_\perp)$$

$$S_{2j}(x_\perp) = F_j(x_\perp) - \frac{1}{8} \Lambda_j(x_\perp) + \frac{j(j+1)}{24} \Phi_j(x_\perp)$$

$$S_{3j}(x_\perp) = F_j(x_\perp) - \frac{j+2}{4} \Lambda_j(x_\perp) - \frac{(j+1)(j+2)}{8} \Phi_j(x_\perp)$$

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Three-point CF of LR operator and two locals

Three-point correlation function of local operators ($\mathcal{O} = \phi_I^a \phi_I^a$ - Konishi operator)

$$(\mu^2 z_{23}^2)^{-\gamma_K} \langle S_{1n}(z_1) \mathcal{O}(z_2) \mathcal{O}(z_3) \rangle = \sum \frac{c_n[1 + (-1)^n]}{z_{12}^2 z_{13}^2 z_{23}^2} \left(\frac{z_{12-}}{z_{12}^2} - \frac{z_{13-}}{z_{13}^2} \right)^n \left(\frac{\mu^{-2} z_{23}^2}{z_{12}^2 z_{13}^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}\gamma(n, \alpha_s)}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned} & x_{23\perp}^2 (\mu^2 x_{23\perp}^2)^{\gamma_K} \int dx_{1+} \langle S_{1n}(x_{1+}, x_{1\perp}) \mathcal{O}(x_{2-}, x_{2\perp}) \mathcal{O}(x_{3-}, x_{3\perp}) \rangle \\ &= -2\pi i \frac{c_n[1 + (-1)^n]}{x_{23\perp}^4} \frac{\Gamma(1 + 2n + \gamma_n)}{\Gamma^2(1 + n + \frac{1}{2}\gamma_n)} \left(\frac{x_{23\perp}^2}{x_{2-} x_{3-}} \right)^{1+\frac{\gamma_n}{2}} \left(\frac{x_{12\perp}^2}{x_{2-}} + \frac{x_{13\perp}^2}{x_{3-}} \right)^{-1-n-\gamma_n} \end{aligned}$$

CF of light-ray operator and two local operators

$$\begin{aligned} & x_{23\perp}^2 (\mu^2 x_{23\perp}^2)^{\gamma_K} \langle S_{1j}(x_{1\perp}) \mathcal{O}(x_{2-}, x_{2\perp}) \mathcal{O}(x_{3-}, x_{3\perp}) \rangle \\ &= -2\pi i \frac{c_j[1 + e^{i\pi j}]}{x_{23\perp}^4} \frac{\Gamma(1 + 2j + \gamma_j)}{\Gamma^2(1 + j + \frac{1}{2}\gamma_j)} \left(\frac{x_{23\perp}^2}{x_{2-} x_{3-}} \right)^{1+\frac{\gamma_j}{2}} \left(\frac{x_{12\perp}^2}{x_{2-}} + \frac{x_{13\perp}^2}{x_{3-}} \right)^{-1-j-\gamma_j} \end{aligned}$$

Three-point CF of LR operator and two locals

Proof: compare conformal Ward identities for $\int dx_+ S_{1n}(x_+, x_\perp)$ and $S_{1j}(x_\perp)$

$$i[D, \int dx_+ S_{1n}(x_+, x_\perp)] = \int dx_+ \left(x_+ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_+} + n + 2 + (x - x_0)_i^\perp \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i^\perp} \right) S_{1n} = (n+1) \int dx_+ S_{1n}(x_+, x_\perp)$$

vs

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Similarly

$$i[K_+, \int dx_+ \Phi(x_\perp) \nabla_-^n \Phi(x_\perp)] = 4 \left[n + (x - x_0)_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i^\perp} \right] \int dx_+ x_+ \Phi(x_\perp) \nabla_-^n \Phi(x_\perp)$$

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Light-ray operators in (+) and (-) directions:

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and similarly for Λ_j 's and G_j 's

CF of two LRs :

$$\langle S_{j=\frac{3}{2}+i\nu}^+(x_{1\perp}) S_{j'=\frac{3}{2}+i\nu'}^-(x_{3\perp}) \rangle = \frac{\delta(\nu - \nu') a(j, \alpha_s)}{(x_{13\perp}^2)^{j+1} (x_{13\perp}^2 \mu^2)^{\gamma(j, \alpha_s)}}$$

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We compare these results around $\xi \sim j - 1 \sim 0$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \aleph(\xi, \alpha_s) = j \text{ and } \gamma(j, \alpha_s) = -2\xi - \aleph(\xi)$$

$$\aleph(\xi) - 2\aleph(\xi)\aleph'(\xi) \simeq \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi \xi} + \frac{\zeta(3)\alpha_s^2}{\xi} + \dots \rightarrow \gamma_j = -2 \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi(j-1)} + [0 + \zeta(3)(j-1)] \left(\frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi(j-1)} \right)^3 + \dots$$

Result

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2 Outlook

- In QCD
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