Resummation: Vector Bosons, the Higgs and Beyond (I)

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- Resummation: Organization of soft and collinear radiation to all orders in PT
- Why resum?
 - Tests of perturbative stability for inclusive cross sections.
 - The only way to calculate certain critical distributions for W, Z transverse momentum & jet event shapes.
 - As such, tests of QCD to all orders: LO, NLO . . .
 - A window to the perturbative/nonperturbative transition.
 - An analytic complement to, stimulus for & test of parton shower techniques and tools.
 - Nice formulas (a matter of taste).
- Depends on very some general concepts too.

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I. Review: how we get away with perturbative QCD

The sorrows of QCD perturbation theory:

1. Confinement

$$\int e^{-iq \cdot x} \langle 0 | T[\phi_a(x) \dots] | 0 \rangle$$

has no $q^2 = m^2$ pole for any field (particle) ϕ_a that transforms nontrivially under color (confinement)

2. The pole at $p^2 = m_\pi^2$

$$\int e^{-iq \cdot x} \langle 0 | T[\pi(x) \dots] | 0 \rangle$$

is not accessible to perturbation theory (χ SB etc., etc.)

• And yet we use infrared safety & asymptotic freedom:

$$Q^{2} \hat{\sigma}_{SD}(Q^{2}, \mu^{2}, \alpha_{s}(\mu)) = \sum_{n} c_{n}(Q^{2}/\mu^{2}) \alpha_{s}^{n}(\mu) + \mathcal{O}(1/Q^{p})$$
$$= \sum_{n} c_{n}(1) \alpha_{s}^{n}(Q) + \mathcal{O}(1/Q^{p})$$

• What are we really calculating? PT for color singlet operators

- $\int e^{-iq \cdot x} \langle 0 | T[J(x)J(0) \dots] | 0 \rangle$ for color singlet currents

 e^+e^- total, sum rules etc. "no scale"

– Another class of color singlet matrix elements:

$$\lim_{R \to \infty} \int dx_0 \int d\hat{n} f(\hat{n}) e^{-iq \cdot y} \langle 0 | J(0) T[\hat{n}_i \Theta_{0i}(x_0, R\hat{n}) J(y)] | 0 \rangle$$

With Θ_{0i} the energy momentum tensor

- These are what we really calculate: jet cross sections, etc.

If the "weight" $f(\hat{n})$ introduces no new dimensional scale,

and all $d^k f/d\hat{n}^k$ bounded, then

individual final states have IR divergences, but these cancel in sum over collinear splitting/merging & soft parton emission because they respect energy flow. We regularize these divergences dimensionally (typically) and "pretend" to calculate the long-distance enhancements only to cancel them in infrared safe quantities

It is this intermediate step that makes the calcualtions tough, and is part [not all] of why higher-order calculations are hard!

The goals of experiment are remarkably similar – to control late stage interactions in calorimeters.

Resummation organizes large, or potentially large, terms from high orders in α_s at the short-distance scale.

Onward to factorization

 $Q^2 \sigma_{\text{phys}}(Q,m) = \omega_{\text{SD}}(Q/\mu, \alpha_s(\mu)) \otimes f_{\text{LD}}(\mu, m) + \mathcal{O}(1/Q^p)$

- $-\mu = factorization scale; m = IR scale (m may be perturbative)$
- New physics in $\omega_{\rm SD}$; $f_{\rm LD}$ "universal"
- ep DIS inclusive, pp \rightarrow jets, $Q\bar{Q}$, $\pi(p_T)$. . .
- Exclusive decays: $B \rightarrow \pi \pi$
- Exclusive limits: $e^+e^- \rightarrow JJ$ as $m_J \rightarrow 0$

• Whenever there is factorization, there is evolution

$$0 = \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \ln \sigma_{\text{phys}}(Q, m)$$
$$\mu \frac{d\ln f}{d\mu} = -P(\alpha_s(\mu)) = -\mu \frac{d\ln \omega}{d\mu}$$

PDF f <u>or</u> **Fragmentation** D

• Wherever there is evolution there is resummation

$$\ln \sigma_{\rm phys}(Q,m) = \exp\left\{\int_{q}^{Q} \frac{d\mu'}{\mu'} P\left(\alpha_s(\mu')\right)\right\}$$

- Infrared safety & factorization proofs:
 - (1) $\omega_{\rm SD}$ incoherent with long-distance dynamics
 - (2) Mutual incoherence when $v_{rel} = c$: Jet-jet factorization Ward identities.
 - (3) Wide-angle soft radiation sees only total color flow: jet-soft factorization Ward identities.
 - (4) Dimensionless coupling and renormalizability
 ⇔ no worse that logarithmic divergence in the IR: fractional power suppression ⇒ finiteness

II. The physical basis of factorization

Classical picture



- Why a classical picture isn't far-fetched . . .

The correspondence principle is the key to the origin of IR divergences.

- Any accelerated charge must produce classical radiation,

and infinite numbers of soft gluons are required to make a classical field.

Transformation of a scalar field:

$$\phi(x) = \frac{q}{\sqrt{x_T^2 + x_3^2}} = \phi'(x') = \frac{q}{(x_T^2 + \gamma^2 \Delta^2)^{1/2}}$$

From the Lorentz transformation: $x_3 = \gamma(\beta ct' - x'_3) \equiv \gamma \Delta'$.

Closest approach is at $\Delta' = 0$, i.e. $t' = \frac{1}{\beta c} x'_3$.

The scalar field transforms "like a ruler": At any fixed $\Delta' \neq 0$, the field decreases like $1/\gamma = \sqrt{1 - \beta^2}$.

Why? Because when the source sees a distance x_3 , the observer sees a much larger distance.





– The "gluon" \vec{A} is enhanced, yet is a total derivative:

$$A^{\mu} = q \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{\mu}} \ln \left(\beta c t' - x_3\right) + \mathcal{O}(1 - \beta) \sim A^{-1}$$

- $-A^-$ is an unphysical polarization & can be removed by a gauge transformation!
- The "force" \vec{E} field of the incident particle does not overlap the "target" until the moment of the scattering.
- "Advanced" effects are corrections to the total derivative:

$$1-\beta \sim \frac{1}{2} \left[\sqrt{1-\beta^2}\right]^2 \sim \frac{m^2}{2E^2}$$

- Power-suppressed! These are corrections to factorization.

- Initial-state interactions decouple from hard scattering
- Summarized by multiplicative factors: the parton distributions
- Interactions after the scattering are too late to affect large momentum transfer, creation of heavy particle, etc.
- Fragmentation of partons to jets too late to know details of the hard scattering: factorization of fragmentation functions.
- \Rightarrow Cross section for hard scattering is IR safe,
- with power-suppressed corrections.

• The gauge-theory analog of our classical argument is the universal soft-parton factor:

For soft gluon k emitted by fast quark p, Dirac eq. gives:

$$\bar{u}(p) \left(-ig_s \gamma^{\mu}\right) \frac{\not p + \not k + m}{(p+k)^2 - m^2} = \bar{u}(p) \left(-ig_s\right) \frac{p^{\mu}}{p \cdot k} + (IR \ finite)$$

In a diagram p^{μ} will be contracted with a gluon propagator,

and in $p \cdot A = 0$ gauge, this term vanishes!

$$G^{\nu\mu}(k) = -\left(g^{\nu\mu} - \frac{p^{\nu}k^{\mu} + k^{\nu}p^{\mu}}{p \cdot k} + p^{2}\frac{k^{\nu}k^{\nu}}{(p \cdot k)^{2}}\right)$$

• Notice this gauge depends on the momentum *p*.

• The origin of the "universality" of soft gluon interactions.

• But it is the same for every parton in a jet.

A good example is (we'll come back to this in resummation) pions at measured transverse momentum. PDFs \otimes hard scattering \otimes fragmentation functions:

$$\frac{p_T^3 \, d\sigma(x_T)}{dp_T} = \sum_{a,b,c} \int_0^1 dx_1 \, f_{a/H_1}\left(x_1, \mu_F^2\right) \int_0^1 dx_2 \, f_{b/H_2}\left(x_2, \mu_F^2\right) \\ \times \int_0^1 dz \, z^2 \, D_{h/c}\left(z, \mu_F^2\right) \\ \times \int_0^1 d\hat{x}_T \, \delta\left(\hat{x}_T - \frac{x_T}{z\sqrt{x_1x_2}}\right) \int_{\hat{\eta}_-}^{\hat{\eta}_+} d\hat{\eta} \, \frac{\hat{x}_T^4 \, \hat{s}}{2} \, \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{ab \to cX}(\hat{x}_T^2, \hat{\eta})}{d\hat{x}_T^2 d\hat{\eta}}$$

with

$$x_T^2 = \frac{4p_T^2}{S}$$

$$\hat{\eta}_+ = -\hat{\eta}_- = \ln\left[(1 + \sqrt{1 - \hat{x}_T^2})/\hat{x}_T\right]$$

III. Vector bosons: Q_T and its factorization

Every final state from a hard scattering carries the imprint of QCD dynamics from at all distance scales

- One loop corrections: talk by L. Reina
- Look at transverse momentum distribution at order α_s

$$q(p_1) + \bar{q}(p_2) \to \gamma^*(Q) + g(k) \,,$$

- Treat this 2 \rightarrow 2 process at lowest order (α_s) "LO" in factorized cross section, so that $\mathbf{k} = -\mathbf{Q}_T$ – Factorized cross section at fixed Q_T :

$$\frac{d\sigma_{NN \to \mu^+ \mu^- + X}(Q, p_1, p_2)}{dQ^2 d^2 \mathbf{Q}_T} = \int_{\xi_1, \xi_2} \sum_{a=q\bar{q}} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{a\bar{a} \to \mu^+ \mu^-(Q) + X}(Q, \mu, \xi_1 p_1, \xi_2 p_2, \mathbf{Q}_T)}{dQ^2 d^2 \mathbf{Q}_T} \times f_{a/N}(\xi_1, \mu) f_{\bar{a}/N}(\xi_2, \mu)$$

- Recall: μ is the factorization scale that separates IR (f) from UV ($d\hat{\sigma}$) in quantum corrections.
- μ appears in $\hat{\sigma}$ through $\alpha_s(\mu)$ and $\ln(\mu/Q)$ so choosing $\mu \sim Q$ can improve perturbative predictions.
- Evolution: $\mu df(x,\mu)/d\mu = \int_x^1 P(x/\xi) f(\xi,\mu)$ makes energy extrapolations possible.

- The diagrams at order α_s Gluon emission contributes at $Q_T \neq 0$



Virtual corrections contribute only at $Q_T = 0$



– The result is finite for $\mathbf{Q}_T \neq 0$. . .

$$\frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{q\bar{q}\to\gamma^*g}^{(1)}}{dQ^2 d^2 \mathbf{Q}_T} = \sigma_0 \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi^2} \left(1 - \frac{4\mathbf{Q}_T^2}{(1-z)^2 \xi_1 \xi_2 S} \right)^{-1/2} \times \left[\frac{1}{\mathbf{Q}_T^2} \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} - \frac{2z}{(1-z)Q^2} \right]$$

as long as $\mathbf{Q}_T \neq 0$, $z = Q^2 / \xi_1 \xi_2 S \neq 1$.

$$Q_T$$
 integral $\rightarrow \frac{\ln(1-z)}{1-z}$; z integral $\rightarrow \frac{\ln \mathbf{Q}_T^2}{\mathbf{Q}_T^2}$.

Both singularities cancel in the inclusive cross section. Both inspire resummation of higher order corrections.

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The leading singularity in \mathbf{Q}_T

– As we'll see later: $1 - z \sim 2k_0/Q \ge 2|\mathbf{k}_T|/Q$

- z integral: If Q^2/S not too big, PDFs nearly constant:

$$\frac{1}{\mathbf{Q}_T^2} \int_{1-Q^2/S}^{1-\mathbf{Q}_T^2/Q^2} \frac{dz}{1-z} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{Q}_T^2} \ln\left[\frac{Q^2}{\mathbf{Q}_T^2}\right]$$

 \Rightarrow Prediction for Q_T dependence:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{NN \to \mu^+ \mu^- + X}(Q, \mathbf{Q}_T)}{dQ^2 d^2 \mathbf{Q}_T} = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \frac{1}{\mathbf{Q}_T^2} \ln \left[\frac{Q^2}{\mathbf{Q}_T^2}\right] \\ \times \sum_{a=q\bar{q}} \int_{\xi_1 \xi_2} \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{a\bar{a} \to \mu^+ \mu^-(Q) + X}(Q, \mu)}{dQ^2} f_{a/N}(\xi_1, \mu) f_{\bar{a}/N}(\xi_2, \mu)$$

– Compare to: Z p_T from Run I



(from Kulesza, G.S., Vogelsang (2002))

- $\ln Q_T/Q_T$ works pretty well for large Q_T
- At smaller Q_T reach a maximum, then a decrease near "exclusive" limit (parton model kinematics)
- Most events are at "low" $Q_T \ll Q = m_Z$.

Getting to $Q_T \ll Q$: Transverse momentum resummation

(Logs of Q_T)/ Q_T to all orders

How? Variant factorization and separation of variables

q and \bar{q} "arrive" at point of annihilation with transverse momentum of radiated gluons in initial state.

q and \bar{q} radiate independently (fields don't overlap!).

Final-state QCD radiation too late to affect cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma_{NN\to\mu^+\mu^-+X}(Q,\mathbf{Q}_T)}{dQ^2d^2\mathbf{Q}_T}$$

Summarized by: Q_T -factorization:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{NN \to QX}}{dQd^2Q_T} = \int d\xi_1 d\xi_2 \ d^2 \mathbf{k}_{1T} d^2 \mathbf{k}_{2T} d^2 \mathbf{k}_{sT} \,\delta \left(Q_T - k_{1T} - k_{2T} - k_{sT}\right) \\ \times H(\xi_1 p_1, \xi_2 p_2, Q, n)_{a\bar{a} \to Q+X} \\ \times \mathcal{P}_{a/N}(\xi_1, p_1 \cdot n, k_{1T}) \,\mathcal{P}_{\bar{a}/N}(\xi_2, p_2 \cdot n, k_{2T}) \ U_{a\bar{a}}(k_{sT}, n)$$

The $\mathcal{P}'s$: new Transverse momentum-dependent PDFs

Also need U: "soft function" for wide-angle radiation

Symbolically:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{NN\to QX}}{dQd^2Q_T} \qquad H \times \mathcal{P}_{a/N}(\xi_1, p_1 \cdot n, k_{1T}) \,\mathcal{P}_{\bar{a}/N}(\xi_2, p_2 \cdot n, k_{2T})$$
$$\otimes_{\xi_i, k_{iT}} \, U_{a\bar{a}}(k_{sT}, n)$$

We will solve for the k_T dependence of the \mathcal{P} 's.

New factorization variables: n^{μ} apportions gluons k:

$$p_i \cdot k < n \cdot k \implies k \in \mathcal{P}_i$$
$$p_a \cdot k, p_{\bar{a}} \cdot k > n \cdot k \implies k \in U$$

Convolution in $k_{i,T}$ **s** \Rightarrow **Fourier** $e^{i\vec{Q}_T \cdot \vec{b}}$

The factorized cross section in "impact parameter space":

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma_{NN \to QX}(Q, b)}{dQ} &= \int d\xi_1 d\xi_2 \\ &\times H(\xi_1 p_1, \xi_2 p_2, Q, n)_{a\bar{a} \to Q+X} \\ &\times \mathcal{P}_{a/N}(\xi_1, p_1 \cdot n, b) \mathcal{P}_{\bar{a}/N}(\xi_2, p_2 \cdot n, b) \ U_{a\bar{a}}(b, n) \end{aligned}$$

Now we can resum by separating variables!

the LHS independent of μ_{ren} , $n \Rightarrow$ two equations

$$\mu_{\rm ren} \frac{d\sigma}{d\mu_{\rm ren}} = 0 \quad n^{\alpha} \frac{d\sigma}{dn^{\alpha}} = 0$$

Method of Collins and Soper, and Sen (1981)

Change in \mathcal{P} must cancel change in (UV) H and (IR) U:

$$p \cdot n \frac{\partial}{\partial p \cdot n} \ln \mathcal{P}(p \cdot n/\mu, b\mu) = G(p \cdot n/\mu) + K(b\mu)$$

G matches H, K matches U. Renormalization indep. of n^{μ} :

$$\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left[G(p \cdot n/\mu) + K(b\mu) \right] = 0$$

$$\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} G(p \cdot n/\mu) = A(\alpha_s(\mu)) = -\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} K(b\mu)$$

Solve this one first.

$$G(p \cdot n/\mu) + K(b\mu) = G(p \cdot n/\mu) + K(\mu/p \cdot n)$$
$$-\int_{1/b}^{p \cdot n} \frac{d\mu'}{\mu'} A_a(\alpha_s(\mu'))$$

Notice the scale in the coupling is now a variable. Now the consistency equation is

$$p \cdot n \frac{\partial}{\partial p \cdot n} \ln \mathcal{P}(p \cdot n/\mu, b\mu) = G(p \cdot n/\mu) + K(\mu/p \cdot n)$$
$$- \int_{1/b}^{p \cdot n} \frac{d\mu'}{\mu'} A(\alpha_s(\mu'))$$

Integrate $p \cdot n$ and get double logs in $b \to \alpha_s^n \frac{\ln^{2n-1}(Q/Q_T)}{Q_T}$.

Transformed solution back to Q_T : all the (Logs of Q_T)/ Q_T :

$$\frac{d\sigma_{NNres}}{dQ^2 d^2 \vec{Q}_T} = \sum_a H_{a\bar{a}}(\alpha_s(Q^2)) \int \frac{d^2 b}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\vec{Q}_T \cdot \vec{b}} \exp\left[E_{a\bar{a}}^{\text{PT}}(b,Q,\mu)\right]$$
$$\times \sum_{a=q\bar{q}} \int_{\xi_1\xi_2} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{a\bar{a}\to\mu^+\mu^-(Q)+X}(Q,\mu)}{dQ^2} f_{a/N}(\xi_1,1/b) f_{\bar{a}/N}(\xi_2,1/b)$$

"Sudakov" exponent suppresses large $b \leftrightarrow \text{small } Q_T$:

$$E_{a\bar{a}}^{\rm PT} = -\int_{1/b^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dk_T^2}{k_T^2} \left[2A_q(\alpha_s(k_T)) \ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{k_T^2}\right) + 2B_q(\alpha_s(k_T)) \right]$$

With $B = 2(K+G)_{\mu=p\cdot n}$, and lower limit: $1/b$ (NLL)

* Leading log: fixed $\alpha_s(Q)$, $A^{(1)}(\alpha_s/\pi)$ only

$$\frac{d\sigma_{NNres}}{dQ^2 d^2 \vec{Q}_T} = \sum_{a} H_{a\bar{a}}(\alpha_s(Q^2)) \int \frac{d^2b}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\vec{Q}_T \cdot \vec{b}} \exp\left[-A^{(1)}(\alpha_s(Q)/\pi) \ln^2(bQ)\right]$$
$$\times \sum_{a=q\bar{q}} \int_{\xi_1\xi_2} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{a\bar{a}\to\mu^+\mu^-(Q)+X}(Q,\mu)}{dQ^2} f_{a/N}(\xi_1,1/b) f_{\bar{a}/N}(\xi_2,1/b)$$

\ast If ignore evolution of the f 's, get an overall factor

$$\frac{d\sigma_{NN \to \mu^+ \mu^- + X}(Q, \mathbf{Q}_T)}{dQ^2 d^2 \mathbf{Q}_T} = \frac{\partial}{\partial Q_T^2} e^{-\left[A^{(1)}(\alpha_s(Q)/\pi) \ln^2(Q^2/Q_T^2)\right]} \\ \times \sum_{a=q\bar{q}} \int_{\xi_1 \xi_2} \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{a\bar{a} \to \mu^+ \mu^-(Q) + X}(Q, \mu)}{dQ^2} f_{a/N}(\xi_1, \mu) f_{\bar{a}/N}(\xi_2, \mu)$$

* **Comments:**

The functions $A_i(\alpha_s)$ and $B_i(\alpha_s)$ are anomalous dimensions.

And can be calculated by comparison to low orders.

In particular, $A_i(\alpha_s)$ is the numerator of the 1/(1-x) term in splitting function $P_{ii}(x)$

because it's the infrared divergent $(x \rightarrow 1)$ coefficient of the collinear $b \rightarrow \infty$ singularity.

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$$A_q(\alpha_s) = \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} C_q \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} K + \dots \right)$$
, $K = C_A \left(\frac{67}{18} - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) - \frac{5n_F}{9}$

* Logs from LO, NLO in $A_q = A_q^{(1)}(\alpha_s/\pi) + \ldots$, LO in B_q

$$E_{q\bar{q}} = -2 \int_{1/b^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dk_T^2}{k_T^2} \left[A_q(\alpha_s(k_T)) \ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{k_T^2}\right) + B(\alpha_s(k_T)) \right]$$

$$\sim 2C_i \int_{1/b^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dk_T^2}{k_T^2} \left[\left\{ \frac{\alpha_s(k_T)}{\pi} + K \frac{\alpha_s(k_T)}{\pi} \right\} \ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{k_T^2}\right) + 2\frac{\alpha_s(k_T)}{\pi} \right]$$

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$$+2\frac{\alpha_s(Q)}{\pi}$$

* The pattern:

$$2C_{i}\frac{\alpha_{s}(Q)}{\pi}\int_{1/b^{2}}^{Q^{2}}\frac{dk_{T}^{2}}{k_{T}^{2}}\left[\left\{1+\left(\frac{\alpha_{s}(Q)}{\pi}\right)\left(K-\frac{\beta_{0}}{4\pi}\right)\right\}\ln\left(\frac{Q^{2}}{k_{T}^{2}}\right)\right.\right.\\\left.\left.\left.+2\frac{\alpha_{s}(Q)}{\pi}\right]\right]\\\sim\alpha_{s}\ln^{2}(bQ)(1+\alpha_{s}\ln(bQ)+\ldots)\\\left.\left.+\alpha_{s}\ln(bQ)(1+\alpha_{s}\ln(bQ)+\ldots)\right.\right.\\\left.\left.+\ldots\right.\right]$$

 \ast These are LL($A^{(1)}$), NLL ($B^{(1)},\,A^{(2)}$), and so on

* NLL is good so long as $\alpha_s(Q) \ln bQ \leq 1$.

* Evaluating a resummed cross sections: re-enter NPQCD.

We start with:

$$E^{\rm PT} = -\int_{1/b^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dk_T^2}{k_T^2} \left[2A_q(\alpha_s(k_T)) \ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{k_T^2}\right) + B_q(\alpha_s(k_T)) \right]$$

With running coupling:

$$\alpha_s(k_T) = \frac{\alpha_s(Q)}{1 + \frac{\alpha_s(Q)}{4\pi}\beta_0 \ln\left(\frac{k_T^2}{Q^2}\right)} = \frac{4\pi}{\beta_0 \ln\left(\frac{k_T^2}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}\right)}$$

Singularity in integral at $b^2 = Q^2 \exp[-4\pi/\beta_0 \alpha_s(Q)] \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda^2}$.

- * Problem: how to do the inverse transform with the running coupling when $k_T^{\min} \sim 1/b$ gets small?
- * At least four approaches:

1) Work in Q_T -space directly to some approximation The originals: Dokshitzer, Diakanov & Troyan Revived by Ellis & Veseli Kulesza & Stirling who re-derived it from *b*-space.

2) Insert a "soft landing" on the k_T integral by replacing

$$1/b \to \sqrt{1/b^2 + 1/b_*^2}$$

for some fixed b_* . (CS, CSS " b_* " prescription, ResBos)

3) Extrapolation of E^{PT} into NP region (Qiu, Zhang).

4) Minimal: avoid the singularity at $1/b = \Lambda_{QCD}$ by monkeying with the *b*-space contour integral. (This technique introduced in threshold resummation; then adapted by Laenen, GS and Vogelsang, and Bozzi, Catani, de Florian and Grazzini.)

Any of these "define" PT. All will fit the data qualitatively, and with a little work quantitatively.

But all require new parameters for quantitative fit. This is not all bad . . . let's see why. A bit more consideration generalizes (for the A-term) for small k_T to some upper limit μ_I :

$$E^{\text{soft}} = \int_{0}^{\mu_{I}^{2}} \frac{dk_{T}^{2}}{k_{T}^{2}} A_{q}(\alpha_{s}(k_{T})) \ln\left(\frac{Q^{2}}{k_{T}^{2}}\right) \left(e^{i\mathbf{b}\cdot\mathbf{k}_{T}}-1\right)$$

$$\sim -\int_{0}^{\mu_{I}^{2}} \frac{dk_{T}^{2}}{k_{T}^{2}} \left(\mathbf{b}\cdot\mathbf{k}_{T}\right)^{2} A_{q}(\alpha_{s}(k_{T})) \ln\left(\frac{Q^{2}}{k_{T}^{2}}\right) + \cdots$$

 $\theta(k_T - 1/b) \Rightarrow (e^{i\mathbf{b}\cdot\mathbf{k}_T} - 1)$; in fact, correct to all orders,

but the expansion is for b " small enough" only.

What is $\int_0^{\mu_I^2} dk_T^2 \, lpha_s(k_T)$?

Don't really know, but suggests a nonperturbative correction of the form (exhibiting the μ_I is unconventional)

$$E^{\rm NP} = b^2 \mu_I^2 \left(g_1 \ln \left(\frac{Q}{\mu_I} \right) + g_2 \right)$$

Since this is an exponent, whatever the definition of the pertrubative resummed cross section, it is smeared with a Gaussian whose width in b (k_T) space decreases (increases) with $\ln Q$.

In summary

$$\frac{d\sigma(Q_T)}{dQ^2 d^2 \vec{Q}_T} = \sum_{a} H_{a\bar{a}}(\alpha_s(Q^2)) \int \frac{d^2b}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\vec{Q}_T \cdot \vec{b}} e^{E_{a\bar{a}}^{\text{PT}}(b,Q,\mu)} e^{-\mu_I^2 b^2 (g_1 \ln\left(\frac{Q}{\mu_I}\right) + g_2)}$$

$$\times \sum_{a=q\bar{q}} \int_{\xi_1\xi_2} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{a\bar{a}\to\mu^+\mu^-(Q)+X}(Q,\mu)}{dQ^2} f_{a/N}(\xi_1,1/b) f_{\bar{a}/N}(\xi_2,1/b)$$

$$= \pi \int d^2 \mathbf{k}_T \; \frac{e^{-k_T^2/4[\mu_I^2(g_2 \ln(Q/k_T) + g_2)]}}{\mu_I^2(g_2 \ln(Q/k_T) + g_2)} \; \frac{d\sigma_{NN}(\mathbf{Q_T} - \mathbf{k_T})}{dQ^2 d^2 \vec{Q_T}}$$

Which gives curves like the one we saw before.



Successful phenomenology for W and Z. In principle, can also fit to fixed-target Drell-Yan with the same set of NP parameters.

Qiu and Zhang show that NP corrections are dominant for that range of Q^2 .

Next – what about those 1/(1-z) (soft gluon energy) singularities?

* Continue with threshold resummation . . .