Uses of Q² evolution in GPD phenomenology

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- GPD definitions and one trivial remark on Q² evolution
- Uses of conformal symmetry
- Modeling GPDs at the initial scale and their Q² evolution
- Is evolution needed to describe present and future hard exclusive photon and meson electroproduction data?

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Field theoretical GPD definition

GPDs are defined as matrix elements of **renormalized light-ray** operators:

$$F(x,\eta,\Delta^2,\mu^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\kappa \ e^{i\kappa \ x \ n \cdot P} \langle P_2 | \mathcal{R}T : \phi(-\kappa n)[(-\kappa n),(\kappa n)]\phi(\kappa n) : |P_1\rangle, \ n^2 = 0$$

momentum fraction x , skewness $\eta = \frac{n \cdot \Delta}{n \cdot P} \Delta = P_2 - P_1 P = P_1 + P_2 \Delta^2 \equiv t$

For a nucleon target we have four chiral even twist-two GPDs:

$$\bar{\psi}_i \gamma_+ \psi_i \quad \Rightarrow \quad {}^{i} q^V = \bar{U}(P_2, S_2) \gamma_+ U(P_1, S_1) H_i + \bar{U}(P_2, S_2) \frac{i\sigma_{+\nu} \Delta^{\nu}}{2M} U(P_1, S_1) E_i$$

$$\bar{\psi}_i \gamma_+ \gamma_5 \psi_i \quad \Rightarrow \quad {}^{i} q^A = \bar{U}(P_2, S_2) \gamma_+ \gamma_5 U(P_1, S_1) \widetilde{H}_i + \bar{U}(P_2, S_2) \frac{\gamma_5}{2M} U(P_1, S_1) \widetilde{E}_i$$

shorthands:

chiral even GPDs: $F = \{H, E, \widetilde{H}, \widetilde{E}\}$ & CFFs: $\mathcal{F} = \{\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{E}, \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}, \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}\}$ chiral odd GPDs: $F_T = \{H_T, E_T, \widetilde{H}_T, \widetilde{E}_T\}$ $\mathcal{F}_T = \{\mathcal{H}_T, \mathcal{E}_T, \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_T, \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_T\}$

Q² evolution

"two-body" operators posses apart from self-energy insertions no singularities (in a generic scalar theory)

$$\mathcal{O}(x,y) = z_{\phi}T : \phi^{\mathrm{bar}}(y)\phi^{\mathrm{bar}}(x) : \quad (x-y)^2 \neq 0$$

usually a minimal subtraction (MS) scheme is used, e.g.

$$z_{\phi} = 1 + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} z_{\phi}^{1,(0)} + O(\alpha_s^2) \right) + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} O(\alpha_s^2) + \cdots$$

scale dependence is governed by anomalous dimensions

$$\left[\mu\frac{\partial}{\partial\mu} + \beta\frac{\partial}{\partial g}\right]\mathcal{O}(x,y) = -2\gamma_{\phi}\mathcal{O}(x,y), \quad \gamma_{\phi} = -\frac{1}{2}g\frac{\partial}{\partial g}z_{\phi}^{(1)}$$

leading twist operators on the light cone possess logarithmic singularities

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} + \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial g} \end{bmatrix} \mathcal{O}(n, -n) = -\int d\kappa_1 \int d\kappa_2 \gamma(\kappa_1, \kappa_2) \mathcal{O}(\kappa_1 n, \kappa_2 n), \ n^2 = 0$$

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Conformal operator basis



- comornal symmetry is preserved at tree-lever
- diagonal LO anomalous dimensions [Ohrndorf 82, DM 91]
- conformal symmetry is broken by the trace anomaly in $d=4-2\varepsilon$ dimensions
- \blacktriangleright apart from β -proportional term it is also broken by the renormalization scheme
- conformal renormalization scheme exist so that the breaking appears only due to the β proportional trace anomaly in d=4 dimensions [DM (97)]
- > anomalous dimensions and DVCS hard-scattering part @NLO [Belitsky,DM (98)]
- constructing all 12 twist-two NLO evolution kernels [Belitsky, DM, Freund (00)] (two explicit calculated NLO kernerls [Radyushkin et al (~85); Mikhailov, Vladimirov (09)])

conformal PW expansion of DAs

conformal symmetry in LO pQCD suggest Gegenbauer expansion

$$\phi_M(v,Q^2) = f_M \sum_{\substack{n=0 \\ \text{even}}}^{\infty} 6(1-v) v C_n^{3/2} (2v-1) E_n(Q,Q_0) a_n(Q_0^2)$$
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LO evolution equation is trivially solved

$$E_n(Q,Q_0) = \left(\frac{\ln(Q^2/\Lambda_{\rm QCD}^2)}{\ln(Q_0^2/\Lambda_{\rm QCD}^2)}\right)^{-\gamma_n^{(0)}/\beta_0} \qquad \gamma_n^{(0)} = \frac{4}{3}\left(4S_{n+1} - \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} - 3\right)$$

inverse moment enters in LO descriptions of form factors

$$\mathcal{I}_M(Q^2) = \frac{1}{3f_M} \int_0^1 du \, \frac{\phi_M(u, Q^2)}{u} = \sum_{\substack{n=0\\\text{even}}}^\infty E_n(Q, Q_0) a_n(Q_0^2)$$

Effective model for DAs

three conformal moments, two free parameters $a_0 = 1$ (fixed by normalization), a_2 , a_4 , for $\mu^2 = Q_0^2$ suppose we have a "measurement", there is still freedom left $\mathcal{I}_M(Q^2 = Q_0^2) = 1 + a_2 + a_4$, fixed by data $\mathcal{I}_M(Q^2 \to \infty) = 1$, asymptotic limit is slowly reached suppose $\mathcal{I}_M(Q^2 = Q_0^2) = 1$: Can one practically pin down such a model?



Conformal partial wave expansion of GPDs

- a GPD can be expanded with respect to conformal partial waves of the collinear conformal group SO(2,1) (similar to SO(3) expansion)
 - expansion in terms of discrete conformal spin j+2 for $\eta >1$, $|x/\eta| \leq 1$

$$F(x,\eta,t) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-1)^j p_j(x,\eta) F_j(\eta,t) \qquad \mathbf{z=x/\eta} \iff \mathbf{j+2}$$

conformal moments (partial wave amplitudes) are polynomials:

$$F_j(x,\eta) = \frac{\Gamma(3/2)\Gamma(1+j)}{2^j\Gamma(3/2+j)} \int_{-1}^1 dx \, \eta^{j+1} C_j^{3/2}\left(\frac{x}{\eta}\right) F(x,\eta,t)$$

conformal partial waves ensure the polynomiality condition:

$$p_j(x,\eta) = \frac{\Gamma(5/2+j)}{j!\Gamma(1/2)\Gamma(2+j)} \frac{d^j}{dx^j} \int_{-1}^1 du(1-u^2)^{j+1} \delta(x-u\eta)$$

 crossing symmetry allows for a more convenient representation (technicality, e.g., Sommerfeld-Watson transform, numerous failures in the literature)

 \checkmark partial waves evolve autonomously \implies trivial implementation of evolution

Summing up conformal PWs

• GPD support is a consequence of Poincaré invariance (polynomiality)

$$H_j(\eta, t, \mu^2) = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \, c_j(x, \eta) H(x, \eta, t, \mu^2) \,, \qquad c_j(x, \eta) = \eta^j C_j^{3/2}(x/\eta)$$

• conformal moments evolve autonomous (to LO and beyond in a special scheme)

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} H_j(\eta, t, \mu^2) = -\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \gamma_j^{(0)} H_j(\eta, t, \mu^2)$$

• inverse relation is given as series of mathematical distributions:

$$H(x,\eta,t) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{j} p_{j}(x,\eta) H_{j}(\eta,t) , \ p_{j}(x,\eta) \propto \theta(|x| \le \eta) \frac{\eta^{2} - x^{2}}{\eta^{j+3}} C_{j}^{3/2}(-x/\eta)$$

various ways of resummation were proposed:

smearing method [Radyushkin (97); Geyer, Belitsky, DM., Niedermeier, Schäfer (97/99)]

- mapping to a kind of forward PDFs [A. Shuvaev (99), J. Noritzsch (00)]
- dual parameterization [M. Polyakov, A. Shuvaev (02)]
- based on conformal light-ray operators [Balitsky, Braun (89); Kivel, Mankewicz (99)]
- *Mellin-Barnes integral* [DM, Schäfer (05); A. Manashov, M. Kirch, A. Schäfer (05)]

Sommerfeld-Watson transform

 \checkmark rewrite sum as an integral around the real axis:

$$F(x,\eta,\Delta^2) = \frac{1}{2i} \oint_{(0)}^{(\infty)} dj \, \frac{1}{\sin(\pi j)} p_j(x,\eta) \, F_j(\eta,\Delta^2)$$

 find appropriate analytic continuation of p_j and F_j (Carlson's theorem)

$$p_{j}(x,\eta) = \theta(\eta - |x|)\eta^{-j-1}\mathcal{P}_{j}\left(\frac{x}{\eta}\right) + \theta(x-\eta)\eta^{-j-1}\mathcal{Q}_{j}\left(\frac{x}{\eta}\right)$$
$$\mathcal{P}_{j}(x) = \frac{2^{j+1}\Gamma(5/2+j)}{\Gamma(1/2)\Gamma(1+j)}(1+x) {}_{2}F_{1}\left(\frac{-j-1,j+2}{2}\Big|\frac{1+x}{2}\right)$$
$$\mathcal{Q}_{j}(x) = -\frac{\sin(\pi j)}{\pi} {}_{x}r^{-j-1} {}_{2}F_{1}\left(\frac{(j+1)/2,(j+2)/2}{5/2+j}\Big|\frac{1}{x^{2}}\right)$$

change integration path so that singularities remain on the l.h.s.

$$F(x,\eta,\Delta^2) = \frac{i}{2} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} dj \, \frac{1}{\sin(\pi j)} p_j(x,\eta) \, F_j(\eta,\Delta^2)$$

Advantages of the Mellin-Barnes integral

- another possibility to parameterize GPDs [similar to the dual parameterization] (basic properties are implemented, essential for flexible fitting routines)
- (LO) solution of the evolution equation is trivial implemented

$$F(x,\eta,\Delta^2,\mathcal{Q}^2) = \frac{i}{2} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} dj \, \frac{p_j(x,\eta)}{\sin(\pi j)} \exp\left\{-\frac{\gamma_j^{(0)}}{2} \int_{\mathcal{Q}_0^2}^{\mathcal{Q}^2} \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} \frac{\alpha_s(\sigma)}{2\pi}\right\} F_j(\eta,\Delta^2,\mathcal{Q}_0^2)$$

fast and robust numerical evaluation

simple representation of amplitudes

$$\mathcal{F}(\xi, \Delta^2, \mathcal{Q}^2) = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \left[\frac{e^2}{\xi - x - i\epsilon} \mp \frac{e^2}{\xi + x - i\epsilon} \right] F(x, \xi, \Delta^2, \mathcal{Q}^2)$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{e^2}{2i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} dj \,\xi^{-j-1} \frac{2^{j+1} \Gamma(5/2+j)}{\Gamma(3/2) \Gamma(3+j)} \left(i - \frac{\cos(\pi j) \mp 1}{\sin(\pi j)} \right) F_j(\xi, \Delta^2, \mathcal{Q}^2)$$

✓ MS factorization conventions can be implemented at NLO

CS factorization conventions enable us to explore NNLO corrections

What is ``dual" GPD parameterization ?

- t-channel scattering angle and skewness parameter are related: $\cos hetapprox -1/\eta$
- labeling the conformal moments by the t-channel *angular momentum* J (conjugated variable to θ or in some sense to η)

$$F_{j}(\eta, t) = \eta^{j+1} \sum_{J=J^{\min}}^{j+1} f_{j,J}(t) d_{J}(1/\eta)$$

partial wave amplitudes depending on j and J

reduced Wigner rotation matrices

[Polyakov (99) Ji, Lebed (00) Diehl (03), KMP-K (07)]

> primary `quantum numbers' are j+2 and the difference v=j+1-J

> in ``dual'' parameterization j+2 is replaced by conjugate momentum fraction z

$$F(x,\eta,t) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 dz \, K_{\nu}(x,\eta|z) Q_{\nu}(z,t) \qquad \qquad \mbox{[Polyakov, Shuvaev (02)]}$$

• GPD model building in terms of $f_{j,j+1-v}(t)$ or $Q_v(z,t)$ (one-to-one to DDs)

``dual" parameterization [Guzey, Teckentrup (06)] effectively took v=0 [Polyakov (07)]

A flexible GPD model

• take three effective SO(3) partial waves

 $F_{j}(\eta,t) = \hat{d}_{j}(\eta)f_{j}^{j+1}(t) + \eta^{2}\hat{d}_{j-2}(\eta)f_{j}^{j-1}(t) + \eta^{4}\hat{d}_{j-4}(\eta)f_{j}^{j-3}(t), \quad j \ge 4$ $f_{j}^{j-k}(\eta,t) = s_{k}f_{j}^{j+1}(\eta,t), \quad k = 2, 4, \cdots$

rewrite Mellin-Barnes integral

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{1}{2i} \sum_{\substack{k=0 \\ \text{even}}}^{4} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} dj \,\xi^{-j-1} \frac{2^{j+1+k} \Gamma(5/2+j+k)}{\Gamma(3/2) \Gamma(3+j+k)} \left(i - \frac{\cos(\pi j) \mp 1}{\sin(\pi j)} \right) \\ \times s_k E_{j+k}(\mathcal{Q}^2) f_j^{j+1}(t) \hat{d}_j(\xi), \quad s_0 = 1$$

NOTE:

- > first partial wave amplitude is fixed by PDFs (if they exist) and FFs
- > "Regge poles" should be in the angular momentum *J*-plane (not in the *j*-plane)

$$H(x, x, t = 0, \mathcal{Q}^2) \stackrel{x \to 0}{=} \sum_{\substack{k=0 \\ \text{even}}}^4 s_k \frac{2^{\alpha+k}\Gamma(3/2+\alpha+k)}{\Gamma(3/2)\Gamma(2+\alpha+k)} q(x, \mathcal{Q}^2)$$

> a *J*-pole is associated with a series of spurious poles in the *j*-plane



Modeling & evolution in x-space

• "Dispersion relation" can be used at twist-two level:

$$\Re e \mathcal{F}(\xi, t, Q^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} PV \int_0^1 d\xi' \left(\frac{1}{\xi - \xi'} \mp \frac{1}{\xi + \xi'} \right) \Im \mathcal{F}(\xi', t, Q^2) + \mathcal{C}(t, Q^2)$$
$$\frac{1}{\pi} \Im \mathcal{F}(\xi = x, t, Q^2) \stackrel{\text{LO}}{=} F(x, x, t, Q^2) \mp F(-x, x, t, Q^2)$$

• outer region governs the evolution at the cross-over trajectory

$$\mu^2 \frac{d}{d\mu^2} H(x, x, t, \mu^2) = \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{x} V(1, x/y, \alpha_s(\mu)) H(y, x, \mu^2)$$

GPD at $\eta = x$ is `measurable' (LO)



good DVCS fits to H1 and ZEUS data at LO, NLO, and NNLO with flexible GPD ansatz



large Q^2 lever arm and the "pomeron" pole in the glonic sector allow to ask for gluon contributions in DVCS at small x



"pomeron pole" related NLO and NNLO corrections



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- reduction of renormalization scale dependence
- but perturbative predictions for the evolution is unstable
- > no improvement of factorization scale dependence

evolution is not needed to analyze fixed target DVCS data (HERMES, JLAB) uses of "dispersion relation" approach (modeling accessible degrees of freedom)



fits to HALL A harmonics are fine for unexpected large Ĥ or Ě contribution
 large Ĥ KM09 scenario is excluded from longitudinal TSA (HERMES, CLAS)
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Can one use evolution to pin down valence GPDs in a future EIC measurement?



it will be a challenge to discriminate between models

Summary

- pQCD formalism for hard exclusive production is available at NLO
- for DVCS even at NNLO in a specific subtraction scheme
- pQCD@NLO will be needed for a global analysis of photon and meson data
- NLO evolution kernels where obtained from the understanding that conformal symmetry is broken by the normalization conditions
- for $\beta=0$ restoration of conformal symmetry is possible in any order
- formally proved from conformal algebra and Ward identities
- evolution operator in the flavor singlet and parity even sector becomes unstable in the small *x*-region
- fortunately, this is a universal feature
- \succ a high luminosity machine with dedicated experiments is desired
- to resolve the transverse degrees of freedom
- within the discussed EIC it might be possible to employ evolution effects to explore GPDs apart from the cross-over line