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Summary

Quasi-PDFs and Pseudo-PDFs A.V. Radyushkin

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Summary

- Experimentally, one works with hadrons
- Theoretically, we work with quarks



- Can be described in momentum or coordinate space
- Concept of PDFs does not rely on spin complications

$$\langle p|\phi(0)\phi(z)|p\rangle = \mathcal{M}(-(pz), -z^2)$$

• Lorentz: $\langle p|\phi(0)\phi(z)|p\rangle$ depends on z through (pz) and z^2



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• Pseudo-PDF $\mathcal{P}(x, -z^2)$: Fourier transform with respect to (pz)

$$\mathcal{M}(-(pz), -z^2) = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \, e^{-ix(pz)} \, \mathcal{P}(x, -z^2)$$

- Should be valid in general for a very wide class of functions
- Non-trivial: limits of integration over x
- Support region is dictated by properties of Feynman diagrams
- Is determined by denominators of propagators
- Not affected by numerators present in non-scalar theories



loffe-time distribution

loffe-time

$$\mathcal{M}(-(pz), -z^{2}) = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \, e^{-ix(pz)} \, \mathcal{P}(x, -z^{2})$$

(pz) ≡ -ν is loffe time [(pz) = Mz⁰ in rest frame p = {M, 0, 0, 0}]
M(ν, -z²) is loffe-time distribution

$$\mathcal{M}(\nu, -z^2) = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \, e^{ix\nu} \, \mathcal{P}(x, -z^2)$$

Inverse transformation

$$\mathcal{P}(x,-z^2) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \, e^{-ix\nu} \, \mathcal{M}(\nu,-z^2)$$

• We do not need here $z^2 = 0$ or $p^2 = 0$

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Collinear Parton Distribution



• Take light-like $z = z_-$: collinear parton distribution $f(x) = \mathcal{P}(x, 0)$

$$\mathcal{M}(-p_{+}z_{-},0) = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \, f(x) \, e^{-ixp_{+}z_{-}}$$

- Usual interpretation: parton carries fraction x of hadron p₊
- $z^2 \to 0$ nontrivial in QCD, since $\mathcal{M}(\nu, z^2)$ has $\sim \ln z^2$ singularities
- Reflect perturbative evolution of parton densities
- Within OPE, $\ln z^2$ singularities are subtracted, e.g., by dimensional renormalization $\ln(1/z^2) \rightarrow \ln \mu^2$
- Resulting PDFs depend on renormalization scale μ , $f(x) \rightarrow f(x, \mu^2)$
- In $\mathcal{P}(x, -z^2)$ pseudo-PDFs, $1/z^2$ serves as cut-off scale

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TMDs and quasi-PDFs

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• Treat target momentum p as longitudinal $p = (E, \mathbf{0}_{\perp}, P)$

• Take z with z_{-} and $z_{\perp} = \{z_1, z_2\}$ components $(z_{+} = 0)$, then $(pz) = p_{+}z_{-} \equiv -\nu$; define TMD

$$\mathcal{M}(\nu, z_{\perp}^2) = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \ e^{ix\nu} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d^2k_{\perp} \ e^{-i(k_{\perp}z_{\perp})} \mathcal{F}(x, k_{\perp}^2)$$

- Parton carries xp_+ and has transverse momentum k_\perp
- Rotational invariance in z_{\perp} plane: this TMD depends on k_{\perp}^2 only
- Take $z = \{0, 0, 0, z_3\}$, define Quasi-PDF

$$\langle p|\phi(0)\phi(z_3)|p\rangle \equiv \mathcal{M}(\underbrace{Pz_3}_{\nu},\underbrace{z_3^2}_{\nu^2/P^2}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy \, e^{iyPz_3} \, Q(y,P)$$

Inverse Fourier transformation

$$Q(y,P) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \ e^{-iy\nu} \mathcal{M}(\nu,\nu^2/P^2)$$

• Q(y, P) tends to f(y) in $P \to \infty$ limit, as far as $\mathcal{M}(\nu, \nu^2/P^2) \to \mathcal{M}(\nu, 0).$



Quasi-PDFs vs Pseudo-PDFs

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- Quasi-PDFs Q(y, P): integration of $\mathcal{M}(\nu, z_3^2)$ over $z_3 = \nu/P$ lines
- Becomes horizontal $z_3 = 0$ line in $P \to \infty$ limit $\to \mathsf{PDF}$
- Q(y, P) has perturbative evolution wrt P for large P
- Support region $-\infty < y < \infty$
- Psedo-PDFs: integration of *M*(ν, z₃²) over z₃ =const lines
- Always has $-1 \le x \le 1$ support
- *P*(x, z₃²) has perturbative evolution wrt 1/z₃ for small z₃

 PDF f(x, C²/z₃²) for small z₃
 - C = matching coefficient, $C_{\overline{MS}} = 2e^{-\gamma_E} \approx 1.12$



Relations between quasi-PDFs and TMDs

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Write definition of quasi-PDF

$$Q(y,P) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \ e^{-iy\nu} \mathcal{M}(\nu,\nu^2/P^2)$$

• Write definition of TMDs

$$\mathcal{M}(\nu, z_1^2 + z_2^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx \ e^{ix\nu} \int_{-\infty}^\infty dk_1 dk_2 \ e^{-ik_1 z_1 - ik_2 z_2} \mathcal{F}(x, k_1^2 + k_2^2)$$

• Take $z_1 = 0$, $z_2 = \nu/P$ and combine expressions to get

$$Q(y,P)/P = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_1 \mathcal{F}(x,k_1^2 + (y-x)^2 P^2)$$

• Introduce momentum distributions in $k_3 \equiv yP$

$$R(k_3, P) = Q(k_3/P, P)/P = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \, \mathcal{R}(x, k_3 - xP)$$

• $\mathcal{R}(x, k_3)$ is TMD $\mathcal{F}(x, \kappa^2)$ integrated over k_1

$$\mathcal{R}(x,k_3) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_1 \mathcal{F}(x,k_1^2+k_3^2)$$

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Momentum distributions

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• Convolution nature of quasi-PDFs

$$R(k_3, P) = Q(k_3/P, P)/P = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \,\mathcal{R}(x, k_3 - xP)$$

• Take hadron at rest,
$$p = \{M, 0, 0, 0\}$$

$$R(k_3, P=0) \equiv r(k_3) = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \, \mathcal{R}(x, k_3)$$

- 1D distribution obtained from density $\mathcal{M}(0, z_3^2) = \langle p | \phi(0) \phi(z_3) | p \rangle |_{\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}}$ $\mathcal{M}(0, z_3^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_3 r(k_3) e^{ik_3 z_3}$
- r(k₃) = primordial distribution of k₃ in rest frame
- In moving hadron, parton momentum k₃ = xP + (k₃ xP) comes

 a) from motion of hadron as a whole (part xP)
 governed by x-dependence of TMD F(x, κ²)
 b) remaining part k₃ xP governed by κ² dependence of TMD
 reflecting primordial rest-frame distribution



Factorized distributions

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Summary

• Two sources of k_3 "look" independent

Try factorized model

$$\mathcal{R}^{\text{fact}}(x, k_3 - xP) = f(x)r(k_3 - xP)$$

(x integral of f(x) is normalized to 1)

• For original $\mathcal{M}(\nu, -z^2)$ function, this Ansatz corresponds to

$$\mathcal{M}^{\text{fact}}(\nu, -z^2) = \mathcal{M}(\nu, 0)\mathcal{M}(0, -z^2)$$

● Popular idea: Gaussian dependence of TMD on k_⊥. Gives

$$r_G(k_3) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}\Lambda} e^{-k_3^2/\Lambda^2}$$
, density: $r_G(z_3^3) = e^{-z_3^2\Lambda^2/4}$

Factorized Gaussian model for momentum distribution

$$R_G^{\text{fact}}(k_3, P) = \frac{1}{\Lambda\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-1}^1 dx \, f(x) \, e^{-(k_3 - xP)^2/\Lambda^2}$$

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Numerical results for Gaussian model

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 Changes from a Gaussian shape (for small P) to a shape resembling stretched PDF (for large P)



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Small P

• Small-P approximation ($\tilde{x} = average x$, in our model $\tilde{x} = 0.2$)

$$R(k_3, P) = \int_{-1}^{1} dx f(x) r(k_3 - xP) \approx r(k_3 - \tilde{x}P)$$





Large Momenta P

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$$r_G(k_3 - xP) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}\Lambda} e^{-(k_3 - xP)^2/\Lambda^2} \to \frac{1}{P} \,\delta(x - k_3/P)$$

• Combination $P R(k_3, P)$ in large P limit converts into $f(k_3/P) = f(y)$

• For finite P, we have $PR(k_3, P) = Q(y = k_3/P, P)$





QCD case

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Matrix element in QCD

$$\mathcal{M}^{\alpha}(z,p) \equiv \langle p | \bar{\psi}(0) \, \gamma^{\alpha} \, \hat{E}(0,z;A) \psi(z) | p \rangle$$

- with standard $0 \rightarrow z$ straight-line gauge link $\hat{E}(0, z; A)$
- Decompose into p^{α} and z^{α} parts

$$\mathcal{M}^{\alpha}(z,p) = 2p^{\alpha}\mathcal{M}_p(-(zp),-z^2) + z^{\alpha}\mathcal{M}_z(-(zp),-z^2)$$

- For TMD: take $z = (z_{-}, z_{\perp})$ and $\alpha = + \Rightarrow z^{\alpha}$ -part drops out
- TMD $\mathcal{F}(x, k_{\perp}^2)$ is related to $\mathcal{M}_p(\nu, z_{\perp}^2)$ by scalar formula
- For quasi- PDF: take time component of $\mathcal{M}^{\alpha}(z = z_3, p)$ and define

$$\mathcal{M}^{0}(z_{3},p) = 2p^{0} \int_{-1}^{1} dy \, Q(y,P) \, e^{iyPz_{3}}$$

• \Rightarrow Quasi-PDF Q(y, P) is related to TMD $\mathcal{F}(x, k_{\perp}^2)$ by scalar formula



Pseudo-PDFs and loffe-time distributions

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- Quasi-PDFs Q(y, P): integration of $\mathcal{M}(\nu, z_3^2)$ over $z_3 = \nu/P$ lines
- Have *x*-convolution structure even if $\mathcal{M}(\nu, z_3^2)$ factorizes, i.e., $\mathcal{M}(\nu, z_3^2) = \mathcal{M}(\nu, 0)\mathcal{M}(0, z_3^2)$
- Fit $\mathcal{M}(Pz_3, z_3^2)$ by $\mathcal{M}(\nu, z_3^2)$ (K. Orginos) and take reduced function

$$\mathfrak{M}(\nu, z_3^2) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{M}(\nu, z_3^2)}{\mathcal{M}(0, z_3^2)}$$

- In factorized case, gives M(ν, 0)
 ⇒ take its Fourier transform to get PDF f(x)
- Bonus: z₃²-dependence due to self-energy of gauge link cancels in ratio (K. Orginos)



Evolution of loffe-time distributions

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Summary

• LO Evolution equation (Braun et al. 1994) for loffe-time distribution

$$\frac{d}{d\ln z_3^2} \mathcal{M}(\nu, z_3^2) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} C_F \int_0^1 du \, B(u) \mathcal{M}(u\nu, z_3^2)$$

Nonsinglet evolution kernel

$$B(u) = \left[\frac{1+u^2}{1-u}\right]_+$$

• Valence
$$f(x) = 4(1-x)^3$$
 corresponds to $\mathcal{M}(\nu, 0) = 12 \left[\nu^2 - 4\sin^2(\nu/2)\right]/\nu^4$



• No perturbative evolution for $\mathcal{M}(0, z_3^2)$ [vector current is conserved]



Nonfactorizable case, evolution

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- In reality: M(ν, z₃²) will have residual z₃²-dependence from

 a) perturbative evolution visible as ln(1/z₃²Λ²) spike for small z₃²
- Take for illustration $\mathcal{P}^{\text{soft}}(x, z_3^2) = f(x)e^{-z_3^2\Lambda^2/4}$ (corresponding to TMD $\mathcal{F}^{\text{soft}}(x, k_{\perp}^2) = f(x)e^{-k_{\perp}^2/\Lambda^2}/\pi\Lambda^2$) and $\alpha_s/\pi = 0.1$ for hard part $\sim \Gamma[0, z_3^2\Lambda^2/4]$



• If $\Lambda = 300 \text{MeV}$ we have $z_3 \Lambda = 1.5$ for $z_3 = 1$ fm

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- M(\(\nu, z_3^2\)) may also have residual z_3^2-dependence from b) violation of factorization for soft part
- Take for illustration $\mathcal{P}^{\text{soft}}(x, z_3^2) = f(x)e^{-x(1-x)z_3^2\tilde{\Lambda}^2/4}$ $\mathcal{F}^{\text{soft}}(x, k_{\perp}^2) = f(x)e^{-k_{\perp}^2/x(1-x)\tilde{\Lambda}^2}/[\pi x(1-x)\tilde{\Lambda}^2])$

• To have the same $\langle k_{\perp}^2 \rangle$ we need $\tilde{\Lambda}^2 = \frac{15}{2} \Lambda^2$



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• $z_3^2 \Lambda^2 = 2.25$ for $z_3 = 1$ fm



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- Quasi-PDFs are hybrids of PDFs and primordial rest-frame momentum distributions
- Complicated convolution nature of quasi-PDFs necessitates $p_3\gtrsim$ 3 GeV to wipe out primordial effects
- Alternative approach is to use pseudo-PDFs $\mathcal{P}(x, z_3^2)$ related by Fourier transform to loffe-time distributions $\mathcal{M}(\nu, z_3^2)$
- Pseudo-PDFs have same $-1 \le x \le 1$ support as PDFs
- Their z₃²-dependence for small z₃² is governed by a usual evolution equation
- Using ratio M(v, z₃²)/M(0, z₃²) of loffe-time distributions one divides out z₃²-dependence of primordial rest-frame distribution

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 Ratio excludes z₃²-dependence coming from gauge link self-energy corrections



Primordial TMDs

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- QCD operator $\mathcal{O}^{\alpha}(0, z; A)$ involves straight-line link
- Our TMD differs from stapled-link TMDs used in Drell-Yan and SIDIS processes
- Stapled links reflect initial or final state interactions inherent in these processes
- The "straight-link" TMDs describe structure of a hadron in non-disturbed or "primordial" state
- Unlikely that such a TMD can be measured in a scattering experiment
- Still, it is a well-defined quantum field theory object
- Hopefully can be measured on the lattice through its connection to pseudo-PDFs