Multi-Jet Predictions in the High Energy Limit of QCD

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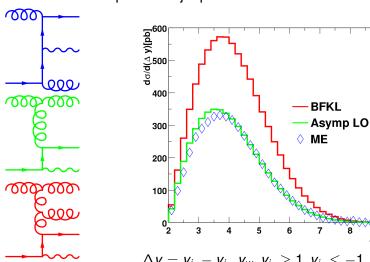
The High Energy Limit of Fixed Order Matrix Elements

Process	Diagrams	$\overline{\sum} \mathcal{M} ^2/g^4$
qq' o qq'	0000	$\frac{4}{9}\frac{\hat{s}^2+\hat{u}^2}{\hat{t}^2}$
$qar{q} o q'ar{q}'$		$\frac{4}{9} \frac{\hat{t}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{s}^2}$
qar q o gg		$\frac{32}{27}\frac{\hat{t}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{t}\hat{u}} - \frac{8}{3}\frac{\hat{t}^2 + \hat{u}^2}{\hat{s}^2}$

High Energy Limit: $|\hat{t}|$ fixed, $\hat{s} \rightarrow \infty$

t–channel dominance

Example: W+n-jet production at the LHC



 $\Delta y = y_{j_2} - y_{j_1}, y_w, y_{j_2} \ge 1, y_{j_1} \le -1$



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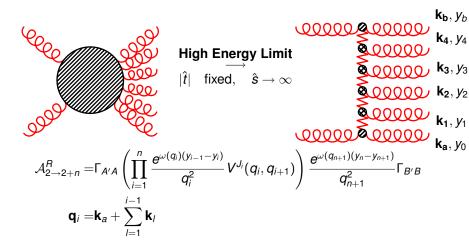
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At LL only gluon production; at NLL also quark-anti-quark pairs produced.

Prediction of any-jet rate possible.



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Energy and Momentum Conservation in an Inclusive Framework

One of the benefits of BFKL: Fully inclusive any-jet cross sections can be calculated analytically

$$(p_a',p_b'\to p_a,\{p_i\},p_b)$$

$$\mathrm{d}\hat{\sigma}(p_a,p_b) = \Gamma_a(\mathbf{p}_a) \ f(\mathbf{p}_a,-\mathbf{p}_b,\Delta) \ \Gamma_b(\mathbf{p}_b)$$

Inclusive partonic cross section depending on two **final state** particles.

In order to reconstruct the initial state (impose energy and momentum conservation, correct parton momentum etc.) and calculate the convolution with pdfs, we need the full final state information¹!

¹Not resummation of soft, colinear radiation: large contribution to energy

Iteration at (Next to) Leading Logarithmic Accuracy

$$f(\mathbf{k}_{a}, \mathbf{k}_{b}, \Delta) = \exp\left(\omega_{0}\left(\mathbf{k}_{a}^{2}, \lambda^{2}, \mu\right) \Delta\right) \delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{k}_{a} - \mathbf{k}_{b})$$

$$+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \prod_{i=1}^{n} \int d^{2}\mathbf{k}_{i} \int_{0}^{y_{i-1}} dy_{i} \left[V\left(\mathbf{k}_{i}, \mathbf{k}_{a} + \sum_{l=0}^{i-1} \mathbf{k}_{l}, \mu\right) \right]$$

$$\times \exp\left[\omega_{0}\left(\left(\mathbf{k}_{a} + \sum_{l=1}^{i-1} \mathbf{k}_{l}\right)^{2}, \lambda^{2}, \mu\right) (y_{i-1} - y_{i})\right]$$

$$\times \exp\left[\omega_{0}\left(\left(\mathbf{k}_{a} + \sum_{l=1}^{n} \mathbf{k}_{l}\right)^{2}, \lambda^{2}, \mu\right) (y_{n} - 0)\right]$$

$$\times \delta^{(2)}\left(\sum_{l=1}^{n} \mathbf{k}_{l} + \mathbf{k}_{a} - \mathbf{k}_{b}\right)$$

$$k_a, \Delta y = y_0$$

$$00 \quad 00$$

$$k1, y_1$$

$$00 \quad k2, y_2$$

$$00 \quad k_b, 0 = y_3$$

Direct BFKL Evolution @ LL&NLL

Solution to the BFKL equation at fixed Δ at both LL and NLL:

$$\begin{split} f(\mathbf{k}_{a}, \mathbf{k}_{b}, \Delta) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int \mathrm{d}\mathcal{P}_{n} \,\mathcal{F}_{n}, \\ \int \mathrm{d}\mathcal{P}_{n} &= \left(\int \prod_{i=1}^{n} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{k}_{i} \, \int_{0}^{y_{0}} \mathrm{d}y_{1} \int_{0}^{y_{1}} \mathrm{d}y_{2} \, \cdots \, \int_{0}^{y_{n-1}} \mathrm{d}y_{n} \, \right) \, \delta^{(2)} \left(\mathbf{k}_{a} + \sum_{l=1}^{n} \mathbf{k}_{l} - \mathbf{k}_{b} \right) \\ \mathcal{F}_{n} &= \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} e^{\omega(\mathbf{q}_{i})(y_{i-1} - y_{i})} \, V(\mathbf{q}_{i}, \mathbf{q}_{i+1}) \right) \, e^{\omega(\mathbf{q}_{n+1})(y_{n} - y_{n+1})} \\ \int_{0}^{y_{0}} \mathrm{d}y_{1} \, \int_{0}^{\mathrm{d}y_{1}} \mathrm{d}y_{2} \, \cdots \, \int_{0}^{\mathrm{d}y_{n-1}} \mathrm{d}y_{n} \, \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} e^{\omega(\mathbf{q}_{i})(y_{i-1} - y_{i})} \right) e^{\omega(\mathbf{q}_{n+1})(y_{n} - y_{n+1})} \\ &= \int_{0}^{\Delta} \mathrm{d}\delta y_{n} \int_{0}^{\Delta - y_{n}} \mathrm{d}\delta y_{n-1} \cdots \int_{0}^{\Delta - y_{n} - \cdots - y_{2}} \mathrm{d}\delta y_{1} \, \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} e^{\omega(\mathbf{q}_{i})\delta y_{i}} \right) e^{\omega(\mathbf{q}_{n+1})\delta y_{n+1}} \\ &= \int_{0}^{\infty} \mathrm{d}\delta y_{n+1} \int_{0}^{\infty} \mathrm{d}\delta y_{n} \cdots \int_{0}^{\infty} \mathrm{d}\delta y_{1} \, \delta(\Delta - \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \delta y_{i}) \, \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} e^{\omega(\mathbf{q}_{i})\delta y_{i}} \end{split}$$

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 $f(\mathbf{k}_a, \mathbf{k}_b, \Delta)$: the value at $\Delta \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \delta y_i$ of the product of vertices $V(\mathbf{q}_i, \mathbf{q}_{i+1})$ at rapidity $y_i = \sum_{j=1}^{i} \delta y_j$ connected with Regge factors $e^{\omega(\mathbf{q}_i)\delta y_i}$ describing the probability of no (resolved) emission between two adjacent (in rapidity) vertices

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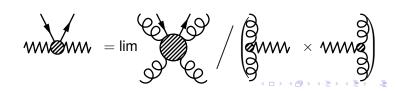
The Ingredients of the NLL Vertex

$$V(\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 \\ \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 \end{vmatrix} + \int d\mathcal{P} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 \\ \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 \end{vmatrix} + \int d\mathcal{P} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 \\ \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Two methods for obtaining the vertices at NLL:

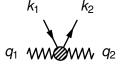
• Fadin & Lipatov:

V. Del Duca:



Divergences and Strategy

Quark contribution to the NLL vertex:



Divergences separate into two categories:

 $\Delta = \mathbf{q}_1 - \mathbf{q}_2 = 0$: Regulated by the **NLL Trajectory**

 $\mathbf{k}_1 \to x\Delta$: Regulated by the quark contribution to the one-loop correction to the one-gluon production vertex (x is the light-cone momentum fraction of the anti-quark)

Strategy:

- Implement Lipatov Vertices and perform integration, while having access to full final state information. Only possibility of combining energy and momentum conservation with NLL evolution.
- Check that the numerical integration over full phase space agrees with the result of Fadin & Lipatov (or Camici & Ciafaloni)

Structure of the Amplitude

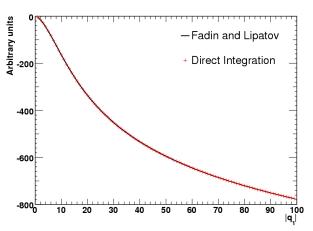
$$\mathcal{K}_{r}^{(2),qar{q}}(old{q}_{1},old{q}_{2}) \propto \int \mathrm{d}\kappa \; \mathrm{d}
ho_{\it f} \; \delta^{(D)}(\emph{q}_{1}-\emph{q}_{2}-\emph{k}_{1}-\emph{k}_{2}) \; \sum_{\emph{i}_{1},\emph{i}_{2},\emph{f}} \left| \gamma_{\emph{i}_{1}\emph{i}_{2}}^{qar{q}}(\emph{q}_{1},\emph{q}_{2},\emph{k}_{1},\emph{k}_{2})
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$$\begin{split} & \sum_{i_1,i_2,f} \left| \gamma_{i_1i_2}^{q\bar{q}}(q_1,q_2,k_1,k_2) \right|^2 \\ & \propto \left[\left(N_c^2 - 1 \right) \left(\left| A_{+-}^{\bar{q}q}(k_1,k_2) \right|^2 + \left| A_{+-}^{\bar{q}q}(k_2,k_1) \right|^2 \right) + 2 A_{+-}^{\bar{q}q}(k_1,k_2) A_{+-}^{*\bar{q}q}(k_2,k_1) \right] \end{split}$$

Symmetry properties of the divergent part of the amplitude ensures that the $1/N_c^2$ suppressed contribution is **finite**.

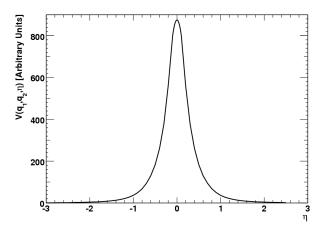
Phase space slice regularisation of the divergent pieces ensures cancellation between the divergences from the quark–antiquark production and the corresponding ones from the virtual corrections to the one-gluon production.

First Check... Check of finite part



 $1/N_c^2$ suppressed terms: 100% agreement. Calculation under control.

Study of Rapidity Distribution within the $q\bar{q}$ -Vertex



Antiquark: $(\mathbf{k_1}, \eta)$, quark: $(\mathbf{k_2}, -\eta)$ $q_1 = (20, 0) \text{GeV}, q_2 = (15, 1) \text{GeV}$

Summary and Conclustions

- Have constructed a very efficient method for obtaining the BFKL evolution as an approximation to multi-leg processes Also applicable to small-x studies etc.
- Have started the program to obtain fully exclusive final state information of the NLL BFKL Evolution necessary for energy and momentum conservation and thus full NLL accuracy
- Conclusion from the study of the exclusive NLL quark—anti-quark vertex:
 Exclusive information absolutely crucial for realistic phenomenology, since the qq̄-vertex gets contributions from relatively large invariant masses of the qq̄-pair.
 Cannot assign a single rapidity to the quark and the anti-quark.
- http://www.hep.phy.cam.ac.uk/~andersen/BFKL