

Next-to-next-to-leading order $\text{QCD} \otimes \text{QED}$ corrections to semi-inclusive DIS

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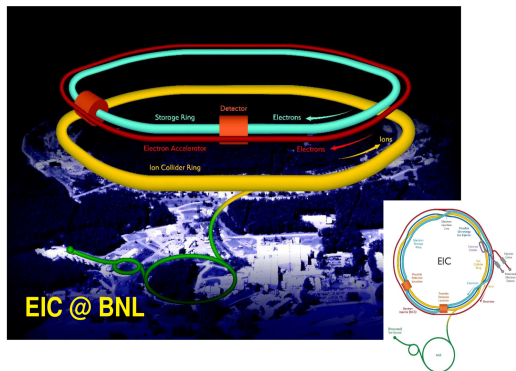
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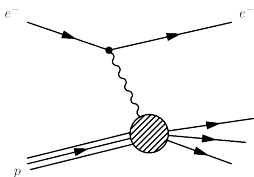


Introduction

DIS

$$l(k_l) + H(P) \rightarrow l(k_l') + X$$

- Only the scattered lepton is detected, while the remnants of the shattered nucleon are summed over.
- Depends on parton distribution function (PDF) of the incoming hadron.

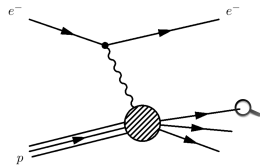


$$dPS|_{\text{SIDIS}} = dPS|_{\text{DIS}} \delta(z - \frac{P \cdot P_H}{P \cdot q})$$

Semi-inclusive DIS

$$l(k_l) + H(P) \rightarrow l(k_l') + H'(P_H) + X'$$

- In addition to the scattered lepton one of the final-state hadron is also detected, by applying an extra constraint on the phase space of tagged hadron.
- Depends on parton distribution function (PDF) of the incoming hadron and parton fragmentation function (FF) of the final state hadron.



Earlier works: NLO and beyond

- Processes involving fragmentation functions beyond the leading order in QCD
[Alteralli, Ellis, Martinelli and Pi, Volume 160, 1979](#)
- Lepton-hadron processes beyond leading order in quantum chromodynamics
[Furmanski and Petronzio, Volume 11, 1982](#)
- QCD Analysis of Unpolarized and Polarized Lambda - Baryon Production in Leading and Next-to-Leading Order
[de Florian, Stratmann and Vogelsang, arxiv:9711387](#)
- Soft-Gluon Resummation for the Fragmentation of Light and Heavy Quarks at Large x
[Cacciari and Catani arxiv:0107138](#)
- Next to leading order evolution of SIDIS processes in the forward region
[Daleo and Sassot, arxiv:0309073](#)
- QCD resummation for semi-inclusive hadron production processes
[Anderle, Ringer and Vogelsang, arxiv:1212.2099](#)
- Threshold resummation for polarized (semi-)inclusive deep inelastic scattering
[Anderle, Ringer and Vogelsang, arxiv:1304.1373](#)
- Approximate NNLO QCD corrections to semi-inclusive DIS
[Abele, de Florian, and Vogelsang, arxiv:2109.00847](#)
- Threshold resummation at $N^3\text{LL}$ accuracy and approximate $N^3\text{LO}$ corrections to semi-inclusive DIS
[Abele, de Florian, and Vogelsang, arxiv:2203.07928](#)
- Charged hadron fragmentation functions at high energy colliders
[Borsa, Stratmann, de Florian, Sassot, arxiv:2311.17768](#)
- Next-to-Next-to-Leading Order Global Analysis of Polarized Parton Distribution Functions
[Borsa, Stratmann, Vogelsang, de Florian, Sassot, arxiv:2407.11635](#)

and more ...

NNLO and beyond:

- Next-to-Next-to-Leading Order QCD Corrections to Semi-Inclusive Deep-Inelastic Scattering
Goyal, Moch, Pathak, Rana, Ravindran, [arxiv:2312.17711](#)
- Next-to-Next-to-Leading Order QCD Corrections to Polarized Semi-Inclusive Deep-Inelastic Scattering
Goyal, Lee, Moch, Pathak, Rana, Ravindran, [arxiv:2404.09959](#)
- NNLO phase-space integrals for semi-inclusive deep-inelastic scattering
Ahmed, Goyal, Hasan, Lee, Moch, Pathak, Rana, Rapakoulis, Ravindran, [arxiv:2412.16509](#)
- NNLO QCD corrections to unpolarized and polarized SIDIS
Goyal, Lee, Moch, Pathak, Rana, Ravindran, [arxiv:2412.19309](#)
- Soft and virtual corrections to semi-inclusive DIS up to four loops in QCD
Goyal, Moch, Pathak, Rana, Ravindran, [arxiv:2506.24078](#)

Related Works:

- Semi-Inclusive Deep-Inelastic Scattering at Next-to-Next-to-Leading Order in QCD
Bonino, Gehrmann, Stagnitto, [arxiv:2401.16281](#)
- Polarized Semi-Inclusive Deep-Inelastic Scattering at Next-to-Next-to-Leading Order in QCD
Bonino, Gehrmann, Löchner, Schönwald, Stagnitto, [arxiv:2404.08597](#)
- Antenna subtraction for processes with identified particles at hadron colliders
Bonino, Gehrmann, Marcoli, Schürmann, Stagnitto, [arxiv:2404.09925](#)
- Identified Hadron Production in Deeply Inelastic Neutrino-Nucleon Scattering
Bonino, Gehrmann, Löchner, Schönwald, Stagnitto, [arxiv:2504.05376](#)
- Neutral and Charged Current Semi-Inclusive Deep-Inelastic Scattering at NNLO QCD
Bonino, Gehrmann, Löchner, Schönwald, Stagnitto, [arxiv:2506.19926](#)
- Single-valued representation of unpolarized and polarized semi-inclusive deep inelastic scattering at next-to-next-to-leading order
Haug and Wunder, [arxiv:2505.18109](#)

Motivation

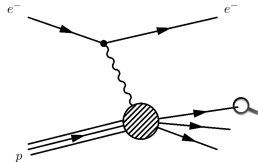
- Semi-inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering (SIDIS) helps to study hadron structure and hadron fragmentation phenomena.
- With increase in experimental precision, one demands precise calculation from theoretical side as well.
- Fixed order results are sensitive to theoretical uncertainty which are coming from renormalisation scale dependence and factorisation scale dependence.
- We calculated NNLO corrections in QCD as well as QED for polarized and unpolarized scattering using the Feynman diagrammatic approach.
- Better constraints on FFs and (pol)PDFs with full flavour decomposition and precise measurements at upcoming EIC.

Hadronic Cross section

Differential Hadronic cross section for

$e^-(k_l) + H(P) \rightarrow e^-(k_l') + H'(P_H) + X'$ is written as,

$$\frac{d^3\sigma_{e^-H}}{dx dy dz} = \frac{2\pi y \alpha_e^2}{Q^4} L^{\mu\nu}(k_l, k_l', q) W_{\mu\nu}(q, P, P_H)$$



where, Leptonic Tensor is

$$L^{\mu\nu} = 2k_l^\mu k_l'^\nu + 2k_l'^\mu k_l^\nu - Q^2 g^{\mu\nu} - 2i\epsilon^{\mu\nu\sigma\lambda} q_\sigma s_{l,\lambda}$$

Hadronic tensor can be parametrized in terms of structure functions,

$$W^{\mu\nu} = F_1 \underbrace{\left[-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{q^\mu q^\nu}{q^2} \right]}_{T_1^{\mu\nu}} + F_2 \underbrace{\left[\frac{1}{P \cdot q} \left(P^\mu - \frac{P \cdot q}{q^2} q^\mu \right) \left(P^\nu - \frac{P \cdot q}{q^2} q^\nu \right) \right]}_{T_2^{\mu\nu}} \\ + F_3 \left[\frac{i}{P \cdot q} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\sigma\lambda} q_\sigma P_\lambda \right] + g_1 \left[\frac{i}{P \cdot q} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\sigma\lambda} q_\sigma S_\lambda \right] + g_2 \left[\frac{i}{P \cdot q} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\sigma\lambda} q_\sigma \left(S_\lambda - \frac{S \cdot q}{P \cdot q} P_\lambda \right) \right]$$

Hadronic Cross section

Cross section is parametrized through structure functions,

- Unpolarized SIDIS: $d\sigma = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{s_l, S, s'_l, S_H} d\sigma_{s_l, S}^{s'_l, S_H}$,

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{dx dy dz} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_e^2}{Q^2} \left[y F_1(x, z, Q^2) + \frac{(1-y)}{y} F_2(x, z, Q^2) \right] \quad (1)$$

- Longitudinally polarized SIDIS:

$$d\Delta\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{s'_l, S_H} \left(d\sigma_{s_l=\frac{1}{2}, S=\frac{1}{2}}^{s'_l, S_H} - d\sigma_{s_l=\frac{1}{2}, S=-\frac{1}{2}}^{s'_l, S_H} \right),$$

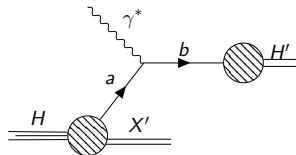
$$\frac{d^3\Delta\sigma}{dx dy dz} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_e^2}{Q^2} (2-y) g_1(x, z, Q^2) \quad (2)$$

Structure functions

$F_i(g_1)$ are Lorentz invariants which cannot be calculated in perturbation theory. We'll use Parton model to calculate them.

In parton model, we express F_i and g_1 as,

$$(g_1)F_i = x^{i-1} \sum_{a,b} \int_x^1 \frac{dx_1}{x_1} (\Delta) f_a(x_1, \mu_F^2) \int_z^1 \frac{dz_1}{z_1} D_b(z_1, \mu_F^2) \times (\Delta) \mathcal{C}_{i,ab} \left(\frac{x}{x_1}, \frac{z}{z_1}, Q^2, \mu_F^2 \right). \quad (3)$$



- $(\Delta) f_a dx_1$: The probability of finding a parton of type 'a' which carries a momentum fraction x_1 of the parent hadron H .
- $D_b dz_1$: The probability that a parton of type 'b' will fragment into hadron H' which carries a momentum fraction z_1 of the parton.
- $(\Delta) \mathcal{C}_{i,ab}$ are the finite coefficient functions (CFs) that can be computed perturbatively, it is related to partonic cross section.

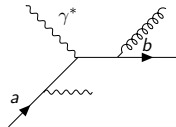
We are interested in series expansion of the CFs in strong coupling constant (a_s) and electromagnetic coupling (a_e),

$$\begin{aligned}(\Delta)\mathcal{C}_{i,ab} &= (\Delta)\mathcal{C}_{i,ab}^{(0,0)} \\&+ a_s (\Delta)\mathcal{C}_{i,ab}^{(1,0)} + a_e (\Delta)\mathcal{C}_{i,ab}^{(0,1)} \\&+ a_s^2 (\Delta)\mathcal{C}_{i,ab}^{(2,0)} + a_e^2 (\Delta)\mathcal{C}_{i,ab}^{(0,2)} + a_s a_e (\Delta)\mathcal{C}_{i,ab}^{(1,1)} \\&+ \mathcal{O}\left(a_s^j a_e^k \big|_{j+k \geq 3}\right).\end{aligned}\tag{4}$$

Coefficient functions

Computation of CFs starts from the parton level cross section denoted by $(\Delta)\hat{\sigma}_{i,ab}$, which is defined as,

$$\frac{d^3(\Delta)\hat{\sigma}_{i,ab}}{dx dy dz} = \frac{(\Delta)\mathcal{P}_i^{\mu\nu}}{4\pi} \int d\text{PS}_{X'+b} \Sigma |(\Delta)M_{ab}|_{\mu\nu}^2 \delta\left(\frac{z}{z_1} - \frac{p_a \cdot p_b}{p_a \cdot q}\right)$$



here, $(\Delta)\mathcal{P}_i^{\mu\nu}$ are the projectors to project out CFs and $|(\Delta)M_{ab}|^2$ is the squared amplitude for the process $a(p_a) + \gamma^*(q) \rightarrow "b"(p_b) + X'$.

$$\mathcal{P}_1^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{(D-2)} (T_1^{\mu\nu} + 2x T_2^{\mu\nu})$$

$$\mathcal{P}_2^{\mu\nu} = \frac{2x}{(D-2)x_1} (T_1^{\mu\nu} + 2x(D-1)T_2^{\mu\nu})$$

$$\mathcal{P}_3^{\mu\nu} = \Delta\mathcal{P}_1^{\mu\nu} = \frac{-i}{(D-2)(D-3)} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\sigma\lambda} \frac{q_\sigma P_\lambda}{P \cdot q} \quad (5)$$

Kinematics

Hadronic Kinematics :

P : Initial hadron momenta

k_l : Initial e^- momenta

q : Virtual photon momenta

$q^2 : -Q^2 < 0$

P_H : Momenta of hadron H'

$y : \frac{P \cdot q}{P \cdot k_l}$, Fractional energy loss by e^-

$x : \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q}$, Bjorken- x , $z : \frac{P \cdot P_H}{P \cdot q}$

Partonic Kinematics :

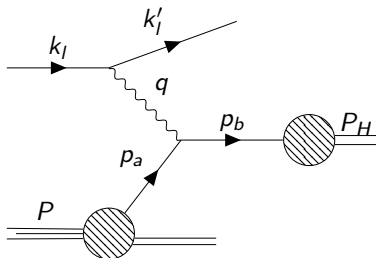
p_a : parton 'a' momenta

p_b : Tagged parton momenta 'b'

$x_1 : \frac{p_a}{P}$, $z_1 : \frac{P_H}{p_b}$

$x' : \frac{x}{x_1} = \frac{Q^2}{2p_a \cdot q}$, $z' : \frac{z}{z_1} = \frac{p_a \cdot p_b}{p_a \cdot q}$

k_i : Momentum of real radiations

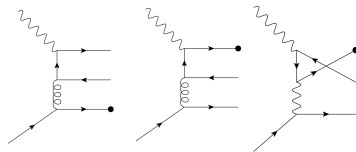
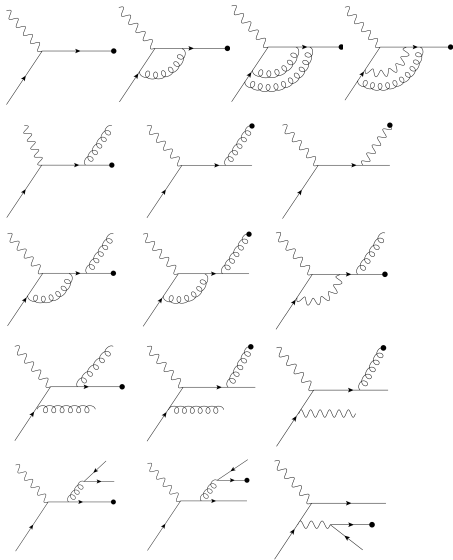


SIDIS subprocesses: QCD (QED)

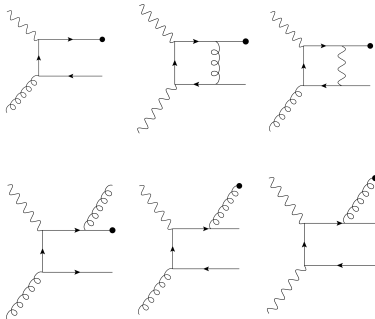
LO		$\gamma^* q \rightarrow q$
NLO	1 Loop: (V)	$\gamma^* q \rightarrow q$
		$\gamma^* q \rightarrow q + g(\gamma)$
		$\gamma^* g(\gamma) \rightarrow q + \bar{q}$
NNLO	2 Loop: (VV)	$\gamma^* q \rightarrow q$
	1 Loop: (RV)	$\gamma^* q \rightarrow q + g(\gamma)$
		$\gamma^* q \rightarrow q + g(\gamma) + g(\gamma)$
		$\gamma^* q \rightarrow q + q_i + \bar{q}_i$
	1 Loop: (RV)	$\gamma^* g(\gamma) \rightarrow q + \bar{q}$
		$\gamma^* g(\gamma) \rightarrow q + \bar{q} + g(\gamma)$

SIDIS subprocesses: Sample diagrams

Quark initiated:



Gluon (Photon) initiated:



Partonic Cross section

Beyond leading order, PCS gets contribution from loop diagrams as well as real emission diagrams which gives divergent integrals.

- In the high momentum region, the loop integral gives divergences, which are removed by renormalization procedure.
- Due to the presence of massless particles, further two types- soft and collinear divergences.
- Infrared divergences cancel among virtual and real emission processes¹, except for the collinear divergences related to the a and b partons in the initial state and the final fragmentation state. These divergences can be factored out into Altarelli-Parisi (AP) kernels (mass factorisation) at μ_F scale,
- We used Dimension regularization i.e. working in $D = 4 + \epsilon$ to regulate the divergences and used $\overline{\text{MS}}$ renormalization scheme.

¹ KLN theorem

Polarized case

In spin-dependent case, γ_5 and the Levi-Civita tensor appear, which are intrinsically four dimensional objects, one need a prescription to define them in $D = 4 + \epsilon$. We chose Larin prescription [Larin '93]:

- Replace γ_5 by

$$\not{p}_a \gamma_5 = \frac{i}{3!} \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\sigma\lambda} p_a^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\sigma \gamma^\lambda, \quad (6)$$

with $\varepsilon_{0123} = -\varepsilon^{0123} = 1$,

- Compute all matrix elements in D dimensions.
- Evaluate all Feynman loop integrals and phase-space integrals in D dimensions.
- Contract the Levi-Civita tensors in D dimensions using:

$$\varepsilon_{\mu_1 \nu_1 \rho_1 \sigma_1} \varepsilon^{\mu_2 \nu_2 \rho_2 \sigma_2} = 4! \delta_{[\mu_1}^{\mu_2} \dots \delta_{\sigma_1]}^{\sigma_2}$$

- To transform to $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme, we need to multiply an over all finite renormalisation constant [Matiounine, Smith, van Neerven '98].

Computation Details

Computation Steps:

- Generation of set of Feynman diagrams using 'QGRAF', which gives partonic level diagrams in symbolic form.
- Convert the output of QGRAF in 'FORM' form to get amplitude for individual diagrams using in-house codes.
- Used FORM extensively to do symbolic calculation like Lorentz contractions, Dirac algebra, handling Gell-Mann matrices.
- Used FORM for calculation of the $(\Delta)\mathcal{C}_{i,ab}^{(j,k)}$.

To get the cross section we have to perform loop integrations and phase space integrations (done in $D=4 + \epsilon$, dimensional regularisation).

¹ Qgraf: Nogueira '91 ² FORM: Vermaseren '00; Kuipers, Ueda, Vermaseren, Vollinga '12

Loop Integrals

Using the fact that the integral of a total derivative vanishes within DR and the property of scaleless integral, one gets linear Integration-by-parts (IBP) identities to write Loop integrals in terms of the basis of integrals called Master Integrals (MIs).

$$\int d^D l \frac{\partial}{\partial l^\mu} \left[\frac{\{l^\mu, p_i^\mu\}}{D_1^{\nu_1} D_2^{\nu_2} \dots D_n^{\nu_n}} \right] = 0. \quad (7)$$

Following steps are performed,

- Choose integral families,
- Map the loop integrals (large set) onto these integral families by momentum shifts ('Reduze').
- Reduce these integrals into the MIs, used 'LiteRed', which generates IBP reduction rules.
- Solve MIs [Matsuura, Marck, Neerven '89], [Gehrmann, Huber, Maitre '05] .

¹ Reduze: Manteuffel, Studerus '12

² LiteRed: Lee '13

Phase Space Integrals

3-Body Phase Space, $p_a + q \rightarrow "p_b" + k_1 + k_2$,

$$\int_{z'} [dPS]_3 = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2D-3}} \int d^D k_1 \int d^D k_2 \int d^D p_b \delta(k_1^2) \delta(k_2^2) \delta(p_b^2) \delta^D(p_a + q - p_b - k_1 - k_2) \delta(z' - \frac{p_a \cdot p_b}{p_a \cdot q})$$

To solve the phase space integrals, we'll use Reverse Unitarity method¹, for converting phase space integral into loop integral and performing reduction to get set of MIs.

$$(2\pi i) \delta(p^2) \rightarrow \frac{1}{p^2 + i\epsilon} - \frac{1}{p^2 - i\epsilon}. \quad (8)$$

We get total '20' MIs in phase space calculation. Results of these MI's are not there in literature, so we solved them using different methods.

¹ Anastasiou, Melnikov, Petriello '03

Solving RR MIs

We used two approaches to solve these MIs:

- 1) Using brute force method: choosing an appropriate frame (we chose the $k_1 - k_2$ COM frame)¹.
- 2) Using Differential equation method: setting up a system of DEs by taking derivative with respect to external parameters, here $\{x', z', Q^2\}$, ("Feynman Trick"). Given a boundry condition, this system can be solved.

¹ See talk by A. Rapakoulas

Differential equation demonstration

Example: 1. We want to solve,

$$F(t) = \int_0^1 \frac{x^t - 1}{\log(x)} dx \quad (13)$$

Taking derivative wrt to t , $\frac{dF}{dt} = \int_0^1 x^t dx = \frac{1}{1+t}$. Using, $F(0) = 0$, we get $F(t) = \log(1+t)$.

Example: 2. Family of Integrals:

$$I_n(\alpha) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\alpha x^2} x^n dx \quad (14)$$

Note we can now take derivative wrt α , we get, $-\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} I_n = I_{n+2}$ we get two basic integrals (MIs), $n = \{0, 1\}$.

Differential equation method

The differential eq. system of 20 MIs is obtain using LiteRed,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \vec{f}}{\partial x'} &= \hat{A}_1(x', z', \epsilon) \vec{f} \\ \frac{\partial \vec{f}}{\partial z'} &= \hat{A}_2(x', z', \epsilon) \vec{f}\end{aligned}\tag{15}$$

Since the system is integrable this puts constraint on $\hat{A}_i$,
Integrability condition:

$$\frac{\partial \hat{A}_1}{\partial z'} - \frac{\partial \hat{A}_2}{\partial x'} + [\hat{A}_1, \hat{A}_2] = 0\tag{16}$$

Note, by construction $\hat{A}_1$ and $\hat{A}_2$ are lower triangle matrices.

Canonical Bases

We change the bases from $\vec{f} \rightarrow \vec{J} = \hat{T}^{-1}\vec{f}$, such that the DEq system becomes [Henn '13],

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \vec{f}}{\partial x'} = \hat{A}_1(x', z', \epsilon) \vec{f} \\ \frac{\partial \vec{f}}{\partial z'} = \hat{A}_2(x', z', \epsilon) \vec{f} \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \vec{J}}{\partial x'} = \epsilon \hat{\mathcal{A}}_1(x', z') \vec{J} \\ \frac{\partial \vec{J}}{\partial z'} = \epsilon \hat{\mathcal{A}}_2(x', z') \vec{J} \end{array} \right\}$$

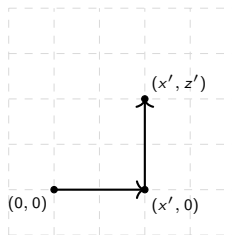
Here, $\hat{\mathcal{A}}_1 = \hat{T}^{-1}(\hat{A}_1 \hat{T} - \frac{d\hat{T}}{dx'})$, Similar of $\hat{\mathcal{A}}_2$. $\hat{T}$ is found using Libra [Lee '20]. The solution of the system is as follows:

$$\vec{J}(x', z', \epsilon) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left[\epsilon \int_{x'_0, z'_0}^{x', z'} (\hat{\mathcal{A}}_1 dx'_1 + \hat{\mathcal{A}}_2 dz'_1) \right] \vec{J}(x'_0, z'_0, \epsilon) \quad (18)$$

Now, this path ordered exponential can be solved order-by-order in ϵ .

Path In-Dependence

- Note, since the left hand side $\vec{J}(x', z', \epsilon)$ is path independent, we can exploit this fact, eg. if we know boundary of the integral, let say, at (x'_1, z'_1) other than (x'_0, z'_0) , we can fix the constant in $\vec{J}(x'_0, z'_0, \epsilon)$.
- We choose (x'_0, z'_0) to be $(0, 0)$ and calculated the boundary of MIs in the $k_1 - k_2$ frame at $x' \rightarrow 1$ and $z' \rightarrow 1$, keeping terms of the form $(1 - x')^{(a\epsilon+b)}$ and $(1 - z')^{(c\epsilon+d)}$ explicitly.



While solving the integrals we encounter following denominators:

$$\begin{aligned} & x', z', (1 - x'), (1 + x'), (1 - z'), (z' - x'), (z' + x'), \\ & (1 + x'z'), (1 - z')^2 + 4x'z', (1 + x') - 4x'z', \\ & \sqrt{x'}, \sqrt{z'}, \sqrt{(1 - z')^2 + 4x'z'}, \sqrt{(1 + x')^2 - 4x'z'}. \end{aligned}$$

We defined¹ the iterated integrals using these letters, example:

$$G(r_2, r_1, z') = \int_0^{z'} \frac{dz_2}{z_2 \sqrt{(1 - z_2)^2 + 4x'z_2}} \int_0^{z_2} \frac{dz_1}{\sqrt{(1 - z_1)^2 + 4x'z_1}} \quad (19)$$

After solving the MIs, the results are expressed in iterated integrals, we cross-checked our results numerically against different methods.

¹ Bonciani, Degrassi, Vicini '10

To obtain the finite partonic cross-section

Cross section Calculation

- Expanding the results of master integrals up to sufficient order in ϵ .
- Then substituted them into partonic cross section calculation to obtain the divergent cross section (in $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$).
- To separate the singularities at $x' \rightarrow 1$ or $z' \rightarrow 1$, we use Plus distribution. For example,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{(1-x)^\epsilon}{1-x} &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \delta(1-x) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon^k}{k!} \left[\frac{\ln^k(1-x)}{1-x} \right]_+ \\ &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \delta(1-x) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon^k}{k!} D_k(x) \\ \int_0^1 dx f(x) [g(x)]_+ &= \int_0^1 dx (f(x) - f(1)) g(x)\end{aligned}$$

here, $[g(x)]_+ = g(x)$ for $x \neq 1$

Double distribution:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 dx \int_0^1 dz \frac{f(x,z)}{[1-x]_+[1-z]_+} &= \\ \int_0^1 dx \int_0^1 dz \frac{f(x,z) - f(1,z) - f(x,1) + f(1,1)}{(1-x)(1-z)}\end{aligned}$$

Cross section Calculation

- Pole structure of the cross section is $\frac{1}{\epsilon^{2l}}$ at l loop.
- Collect all the results of subprocesses and do the coupling constant renormalization at μ_R^2 scale to get UV finite result.
- And after adding all the renormalized subprocesses, we observed the cancellation of $\frac{1}{\epsilon^4}$, $\frac{1}{\epsilon^3}$ at NNLO and $\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}$ at NLO.
- The left-over pole terms due to initial state and final state collinear singularities are factorised after mass factorisation procedure at μ_F^2 scale and absorbed in bare PDFs and FFs.

$$\frac{d(\Delta)\hat{\sigma}_{i,ab}(x', z', \epsilon)}{x'^{i-1}} = (\Delta)\Gamma_{c \leftarrow a}(x', \mu_F^2, \epsilon) \otimes (\Delta)\mathcal{C}_{i,cd}(x', z', \mu_F^2, \epsilon) \tilde{\otimes} \tilde{\Gamma}_{b \leftarrow d}(z', \mu_F^2, \epsilon).$$

here, $(\Delta)\Gamma_{c \leftarrow a}$ and $\tilde{\Gamma}_{b \leftarrow d}$ are AP kernels (divergent) corresponding to initial and final leg respectively.

$$A(x') \otimes C(x', z') \tilde{\otimes} B(z') = \int_{x'}^1 \frac{dx_1}{x_1} \int_{z'}^1 \frac{dz_1}{z_1} A(x_1) C\left(\frac{x'}{x_1}, \frac{z'}{z_1}\right) B(z_1)$$

Cross section Calculation: Polarized case

- For the polarized case, since we used Larin's scheme to compute the partonic cross sections, to cancel the initial-state collinear divergences, spin-dependent AP kernels in the same scheme were used.
- After getting the finite PCS, transformed the result to $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme by overall renormalization constant.

$$\begin{aligned} g_1 &= \Delta f_c^L \otimes \Delta C_{1,cb}^L \tilde{\otimes} D_b^{\overline{\text{MS}}} \\ &= \Delta f_c^L \otimes Z_{ca} \otimes Z_{ad}^{-1} \otimes \Delta C_{1,db}^L \tilde{\otimes} D_b^{\overline{\text{MS}}} \\ &= \Delta f_a^{\overline{\text{MS}}} \otimes \Delta C_{1,ab}^{\overline{\text{MS}}} \tilde{\otimes} D_b^{\overline{\text{MS}}} \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

- Z_{ac} is known upto NNLO in QCD^{1,2}, we also extracted for QED case.

¹ Matiounine, Smith, Neerven '98

² Moch, Vermaseren, Vogt '14

Results: NNLO

$$(\Delta)C_i^{(i,j)} = \underbrace{\sum_r C_i^r h_r(x', z')}_{SV} + \sum_{\beta} \left((\Delta)C_{i,x'}^{\beta}(x') Z_{\beta}(z') + (\Delta)C_{i,z'}^{\beta}(z') X_{\beta}(x') \right) + (\Delta)R_i(x', z')$$

	Distributions	Constants/Functions
$h_r(x', z')$ ($q\gamma^* \rightarrow q$)	$\delta(1-z')\delta(1-x')$ $\delta(1-x')D_i(z'), i = 0, \dots, 3$ $\delta(1-z')D_i(x')$ $D_j(x')D_j(z'), j = 0, \dots, 2$	$\pi, \zeta_2, \zeta_3, \zeta_4$
$Z_{\beta}(z')$	$\delta(1-z')$ $D_j(z')$	$\pi, \zeta_2, \zeta_3, \log(f_{x'}),$ $Li_2(f_{x'}), Li_3(f_{x'})$
$X_{\beta}(x')$	$\delta(1-x')$ $D_j(x')$	$\pi, \zeta_2, \zeta_3, \log(f_{z'}),$ $Li_2(f_{z'}), Li_3(f_{z'})$
$R_l(x', z')$		$\pi, \log(f_{x',z'}), \zeta_2, \zeta_3, \zeta_4,$ $Li_2(f_{x',z'}),$ $Li_3(f_{x'}), Li_3(f_{z'})$

Results and Checks

- We calculated NNLO QCD $\otimes$ QED corrections to SIDIS process, which requires evaluation of new master integrals.
- We agreed SV Limit of CFs i.e. terms containing double distributions against known results¹.
- Integrating z' for specific subprocess, we got inclusive results and are crosschecked against known in the literature².
- Independent calculation for CFs by another group, found numerical agreement for (un)polarized QCD corrections.
- Verified abelianization, QCD $\rightarrow$ QCD $\otimes$ QED^{3,4}.
- New QED Time-like splitting functions using SIDIS and using those, extracted polarized space-like splitting functions and cross check with [de Florian, Conte '25].

¹ Abele, de Florian, Vogelsang '21

² Neerven, Zijlstra '91

³ de Florian, Der, Fabre '18

⁴ Hameed, Banerjee, Chakraborty, Dhani, Mukherjee, Rana, Ravindran '19

QCD $\otimes$ QED Splitting functions

Time-Like Splitting functions (**Preliminary**):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LO} : & \tilde{P}_{qq}^{(0,1)}, \tilde{P}_{q\gamma}^{(0,1)}, \tilde{P}_{\gamma q}^{(0,1)}, \tilde{P}_{\gamma\gamma}^{(0,1)}, \\ \text{NLO} : & \tilde{P}_{\gamma q}^{(0,2)}, \tilde{P}_{qq}^{(0,2),\text{NS}}, \tilde{P}_{qq}^{(0,2),\text{S}}, \tilde{P}_{q\bar{q}}^{(0,2)}, \tilde{P}_{gq}^{(1,1)}, \tilde{P}_{\gamma q}^{(1,1)} \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

Space-like polarized Splitting functions¹:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LO} : & \Delta P_{qq}^{(0,1)}, \Delta P_{q\gamma}^{(0,1)}, \Delta P_{\gamma q}^{(0,1)}, \Delta P_{\gamma\gamma}^{(0,1)} \\ \text{NLO} : & \Delta P_{q\gamma}^{(0,2)}, \Delta P_{qq}^{(0,2),\text{NS}}, \Delta P_{qq}^{(0,2),\text{S}}, \Delta P_{q\bar{q}}^{(0,2)}, \Delta P_{qg}^{(1,1)}, \Delta P_{q\gamma}^{(1,1)} \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

¹ de Florian, Conte '25 ² de Florian, Sborlini, Rodrigo '15

³ de Florian, Sborlini, Rodrigo '16

Plots

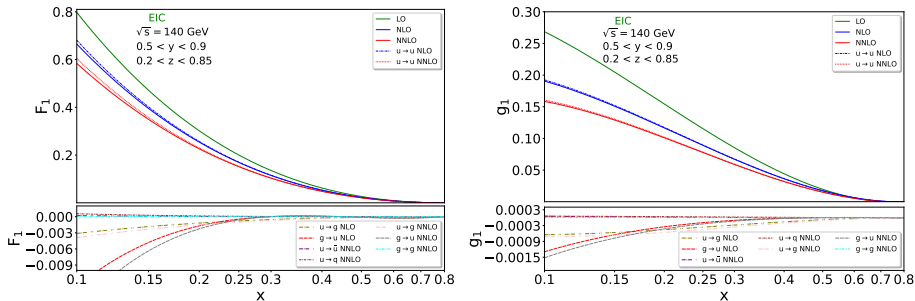


Figure: Contributions from all partonic channels to the SFs F_1 (left panel) and g_1 (right panel) as a function of x for the EIC at $\sqrt{s} = 140$ GeV.

- PDF sets: NNPDF31(F_1) and BDSSV24NLO, BDSSV24NNLO(g_1)
- FF set: NNFF10PIp
- $u \rightarrow u$ channel dominates, corrections are negative.

Plots

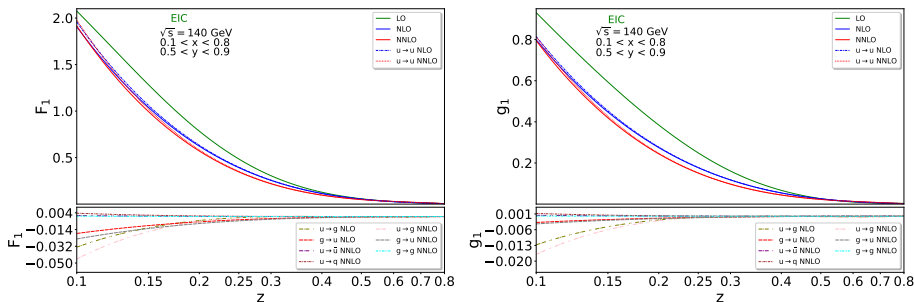


Figure: Now as a function of z

- PDF sets: NNPDF31(F_1) and BDSSV24NLO, BDSSV24NNLO(g_1)
- FF set: NNFF10PIp
- $u \rightarrow u$ channel dominates.

Plots

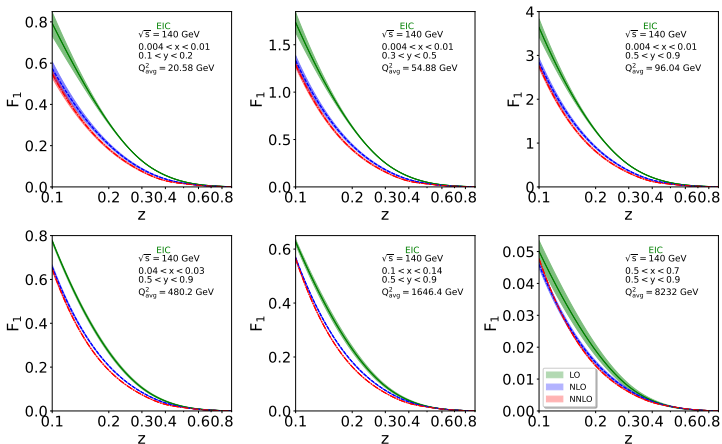
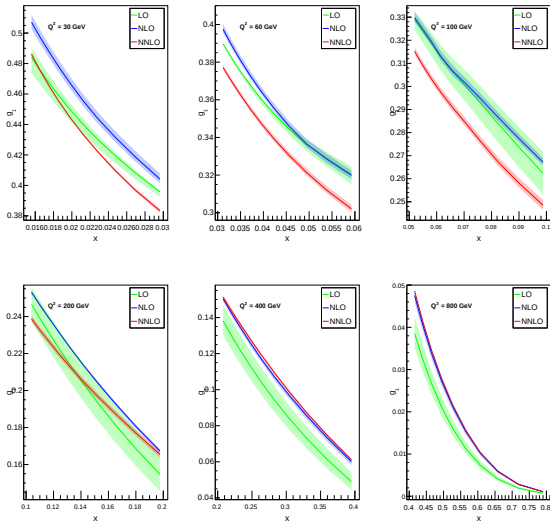


Figure: Scale variation of F_1 as a function z for six different values of Q^2 at EIC.

- Scale variation, $\mu_R^2, \mu_F^2 \in [Q_{\text{avg}}^2/2, 2Q_{\text{avg}}^2]$ with $1/2 \leq \mu_R^2/\mu_F^2 \leq 2$,
- PDF sets: NNPDF31, FF set: NNFF10IPp,

Plots



PDF set: MAPPDF10NLO,
MAPPDF10NNLO and FF set:
MAPFF10NLO, MAPFF10NNLO

Shows the 7-scale variation,
the inclusion of NNLO
corrections reduces the scale
dependence when compared
to the previous orders.

Comparison Plot

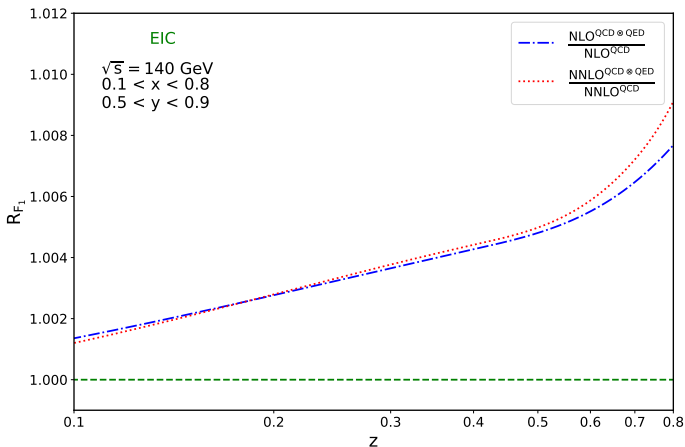


Figure: Ratio of F_1 as a function z at EIC.

- PDF sets: LUXqed, FF set: NNFF10PIp

Comparison Plot

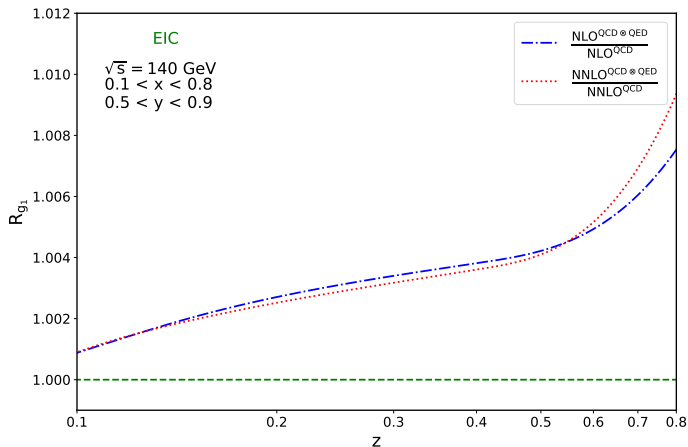


Figure: Ratio of g_1 as a function z at EIC.

- PDF sets: BDSSV24, FF set: NNFF10PIp

Conclusion and Future Plans

- EIC will unravel the mysteries of strong force. Theoretical precision studies are extremely necessary to fully exploit the EIC data.
- We calculated NNLO $\text{QCD} \otimes \text{QED}$ corrections to SIDIS process.
- We calculated 20 new master integrals using different approaches.
- Extracted Time-like splitting functions.
- The NNLO predictions will be important to put more constraints on (pol)PDFs and FFs very precisely.
- Noticed significant reduction in the dependence of unphysical scales.
- We have resummed SV and NSV logarithms for diagonal channels in $\vec{N}$ -space till $\overline{\text{NNLL}}$ accuracy¹.
- Work in progress: Numerical implementation of neutral and charged current interactions in SIDIS.

¹see talk by V. Pathak

Thank you for listening :)

Reference slides:

Mass Factorization

After coupling constant renormalization at scale $\mu_R = \mu_F$, we can write mass factorisation, for eg. at NLO for $a, b = q$ process:

$$\left(\frac{1}{\mu_F^2}\right)^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} d\hat{\sigma}_{1,qq}^{(1)} = \delta(1-x') \otimes C_{1,qq}^{(1)} \tilde{\otimes} \delta(1-z') \\ + \delta(1-x') \otimes C_{1,qq}^{(0)} \tilde{\otimes} \tilde{\Gamma}_{qq}^{(1)} + \Gamma_{qq}^{(1)} \otimes C_{1,qq}^{(0)} \tilde{\otimes} \delta(1-z'),$$

at NNLO for $a, b = q$ process:

$$\left(\frac{1}{\mu_F^2}\right)^{\epsilon} d\hat{\sigma}_{1,qq}^{(2)} + \frac{2\beta_0}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{1}{\mu_F^2}\right)^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} d\hat{\sigma}_{1,qq}^{(1)} = \delta(1-x') \otimes C_{1,qq}^{(2)} \tilde{\otimes} \delta(1-z') \\ + \delta(1-x') \otimes C_{1,qb'}^{(1)} \tilde{\otimes} \tilde{\Gamma}_{qb'}^{(1)} + \delta(1-x') \otimes C_{1,qq}^{(0)} \tilde{\otimes} \tilde{\Gamma}_{qq}^{(2)} \\ + \Gamma_{a'q}^{(1)} \otimes C_{1,a'b'}^{(0)} \tilde{\otimes} \tilde{\Gamma}_{qb'}^{(1)} + \Gamma_{a'q}^{(1)} \otimes C_{a'q}^{(1)} \tilde{\otimes} \delta(1-z') \\ + \Gamma_{qq}^{(2)} \otimes C_{1,qq}^{(0)} \tilde{\otimes} \delta(1-z').$$

Transformation Matrix $\hat{T}$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
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 \end{pmatrix}$$

IBP-Tadpole

Lets Consider One Loop massive Integral (Tadpole diagram),

$$I_\nu = \int \frac{d^D k}{(k^2 - m^2)^\nu}$$

Using IBP identity,i.e.

$$\int d^D k \frac{\partial}{\partial k^\mu} \left[\frac{k^\mu}{(k^2 - m^2)^\nu} \right] = 0$$

we get,

$$(D - 2\nu)I_\nu - 2\nu m^2 I_{\nu+1} = 0$$

$$I_\nu = \frac{(D - 2\nu + 2)}{2(\nu - 1)m^2} I_{\nu-1}$$

So any integral with $\nu \geq 1$ can be expressed recursively in terms of one integral I_1 (MI)