

LEADING POWER ACCURACY IN LATTICE QCD CALCULATION OF PARTON DISTRIBUTIONS

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Parton Distribution Functions



Important inputs to collider physics!

Parton Distribution Function (Inclusive process) probability density of finding a parton with momentum fraction *x* out of the hadron



CTEQ PRD, (2019) 2

Lattice QCD

- Discretization of QCD action:
- Construction of correlators:

 $C_2(t) = \langle \chi_{src}(0) | \chi_{snk}(t) \rangle$

 $C_3(t) = \langle \chi_{src}(0) | O(t) | \chi_{snk}(\tau) \rangle$







Euclidean 4D spacetime



Savage, NNPSS (2015)

Large Momentum Effective Theory (LaMET)

Ji, PRL (2013) Ji, SCPMA(2014)





Quasi-PDF: $\tilde{q}(x, P_z) = \int \frac{dzP_z}{2\pi} e^{ixzP_z} \langle P | \bar{q}(0) \gamma_t U(0, z) q(z) | P \rangle$

 $C(x, y, \mu, P_z) \otimes q(y, \mu)$





Precision of Large Momentum Expansion

Ji, et.al, NPB (2021)





Linear power correction must be eliminated!

 $\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{x^2 P_{\pi}^2}\right)$

Not properly addressed in previous work

Why is there a linear correction in $1/P_z$?

- Non-local operator: $\overline{q}(0)\Gamma U(0,z)q(z)$
- Linearly divergent self-energy $\delta m(a) \sim \frac{1}{a}$
 - A heavy quark propagating with "pole mass" $\delta m(a)$
 - $h^B(\mathbf{z}) \sim e^{-\delta m(a) \cdot \mathbf{z}}$



Ji, et.al, PRL (2017)

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- What to subtract w/ linear divergence? Freedom to choose the scheme
- Pole mass of a "free" quark?
 - Long range interactions contributing $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{QCD})$ ambiguously Beneke, PLB (1995)
- $h^{R}(z) \sim h^{B}(z)e^{\delta m \cdot z}$ uncertain up to $e^{\mathcal{O}(z\Lambda_{QCD})} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}}{xP_{z}}\right)$ in \tilde{q}

Perturbative determination of $\delta m(a)$

- In perturbation theory, $\delta m = \frac{1}{a} \sum \alpha_s^{n+1}(a) r_n$
 - $r_n \sim n!$ Series is divergent for any α_s
- A lattice perturbative expansion of $\delta m(a)$ to 20th order



Renormalon Divergence

Gerard 't Hooft 1999 Nobel Prize the stron





Beneke, RMP (1998)

Linear correction in matching coefficients $\tilde{q}(x, P_z) = C(x, y, \mu, P_z) \otimes q(y, \mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}}{x P_z}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{x^2 P_z^2}\right)$

• $C(x, y, \mu, P_Z)$ is obtained by perturbatively calculate the same operator, thus also has the same ambiguity: $C^{(n+1)} \sim n!$ Braun, et.al., PRD(2018)



Achieve Power Accuracy

Regularizing the infrared physics

- Explicit IR cut off: $\int_0^{\Lambda_{\rm UV}} f(k) dk \rightarrow \int_{\Lambda_{\rm IR}}^{\Lambda_{\rm UV}} f(k) dk$ Very difficult to calculate

- Resumming the series to all orders with some prescription:

Ayala, PRD (2019) Ayala, PRD (2020)

$$\sum_{i}^{\infty} \alpha_{s}^{i+1} r_{i} \rightarrow \int_{C} du \, e^{-u/\alpha_{s}} \sum_{i}^{\infty} \frac{r_{i} u^{i}}{i!}$$

Seems impossible to know high order terms?

But we know the divergent part

Applicable to lattice data

- Neutralize color charge of the heavy quark
 - Non-perturbative determination of $\delta m(a)$
 - Depending on how to choose fitting parameters

Eliminate scheme dependence

Regularization scheme dependence:

Introduce twist-three correction

$$h^{R}(z, P_{z}, \mu, \tau) = \left(1 - m_{0}(\tau)z\right) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_{k} \left(\alpha_{s}(\mu), \mu^{2}z^{2}\right) \lambda^{k}a_{k+1}(\mu) + \mathcal{O}(z^{2})$$

$$\sim e^{\delta m(a) \cdot z} h^{B}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[C_{k} \left(\alpha_{s}(\mu), \mu^{2}z^{2}\right) - zm_{0}(\tau)\right] \lambda^{k}a_{k+1}(\mu) + \mathcal{O}(z\alpha_{s}, z^{2}),$$

- Twist-3 ambiguities exist in both sides, h^R and C_k
- $m_0(\tau)$ matches schemes between renormalization of lattice data and regularization of the matching coefficients



Data from Gao, et.al, PRL, (2022) 12

Extract $m_0(\tau)$ from fixed-order theory

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Too large uncertainty!
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{0} \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^$$

LRR improved perturbation theory

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Reduce the uncertainty 3~5 times from scale variation

Improve the convergence when going to higher order

Summary

- Parton physics can be calculated from lattice QCD through large momentum expansion
- Power correction is an important source of systematic uncertainty
- We propose the first systematic approach to achieve $1/P_z$ accuracy

Outlook

- More solid determination of the renormalon contribution
- Generalization to more complicated parton observables