

HIGH ENERGY BEHAVIOUR OF FORM FACTORS

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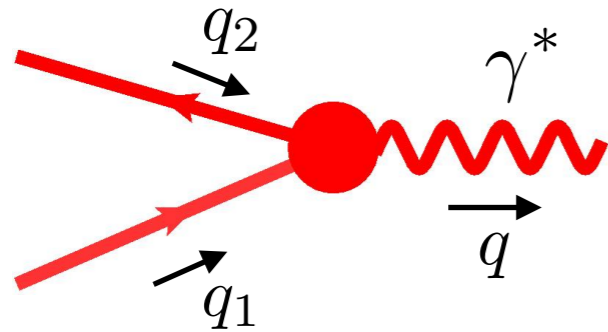
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GOAL & MOTIVATION

- Infrared divergences: important quantities
- Consider: QCD corrections to **photon-quark** vertex



$$V^\mu(q_1, q_2) = \bar{v}(q_2)\Gamma^\mu(q_1, q_2)u(q_1)$$

- Vertex function: characterised by **two scalar form factors** F_1, F_2

$$\Gamma^\mu(q_1, q_2) = Q_q \left[F_1(q^2)\gamma^\mu - \frac{i}{2m}F_2(q^2)\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_\nu \right]$$

- Consider: Form factors of **massive** quarks
- **Important quantities:** F_1 is building block for variety of observables
e.g. Xsection of hadron production in e^-e^+ annihilation & derived quantities like forward-backward asymmetry
- Also consider: the **massless** scenario $\rightarrow F_1$

GOAL & MOTIVATION

- State-of-the-art results

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} m \neq 0 \quad F_1, F_2 \text{ at 3-loop} \\ m = 0 \quad F_1 \quad \text{at 4-loop} \end{array} \right\} \text{in large } N_c \text{ limit in } SU(N_c)$$

[Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser '16]

[Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser, Lee '16]

[Manteuffel, Schabinger '16]

- Next steps: compute the full results for general N_c
 \rightsquigarrow underway by several groups

- We address: What can we say about next order?

\rightsquigarrow indeed, IR poles can be predicted (partially) by exploiting RG evolution of FF

$m \neq 0 \rightsquigarrow F_1$ at 4-loop in large N_c and high energy limit upto $1/\epsilon^2$

$m = 0 \rightsquigarrow F_1$ at 5-loop in large N_c and high energy limit upto $1/\epsilon^3$

RESULTS

- We also obtain process independent functions relating massive & massless amplitudes in high-energy limit at 3 & 4-loops

RESULTS

GOAL

Exploit RG evolution of FF

PLAN OF THE TALK

- RG evolution: massive
 - Cute technique to solve
- RG evolution: massless
- Process independent functions
- Conclusions

RG EQUATION: MASSIVE

[Sudakov '56; Mueller '79; Collins '80; Sen '81]

[Magnea, Sterman '90]

[Gluza, Mitov, Moch, Riemann '07, '09]

- FF satisfies KG eqn in dimensional reg.

$$-\frac{d}{d \ln \mu^2} \ln \tilde{F} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \frac{m^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\tilde{K} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{m^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) + \tilde{G} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) \right]$$



QCD factorisation, gauge & RG invariance

- The form factor

$$F = C e^{\ln \tilde{F}}$$

Matching coefficient

$$Q^2 = -q^2 = -(p_1 + p_2)^2$$

$$d = 4 - 2\epsilon$$

$$\hat{a}_s \equiv \hat{\alpha}_s / 4\pi$$

μ : scale to keep \hat{a}_s dimensionless

μ_R : renormalisation scale

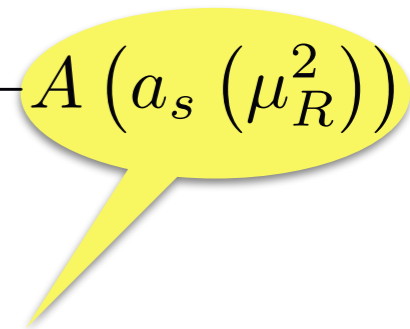
- **Goal:** Solve the RG
- **Strategy:** Use bare coupling \hat{a}_s instead of renormalised one a_s

[Ravindran '06: For Massless]

SOLVING RG EQUATION: MASSIVE

RG invariance of FF wrt μ_R

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu_R^2} \tilde{K} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{m^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) = - \frac{d}{d \ln \mu_R^2} \tilde{G} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) = - A(a_s(\mu_R^2))$$



Cusp anomalous dimension



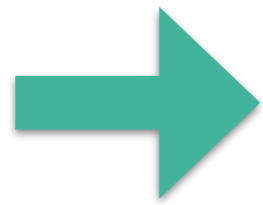
$$\tilde{K} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{m^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) = K(a_s(m^2), \epsilon) - \int_{m^2}^{\mu_R^2} \frac{d\mu_R^2}{\mu_R^2} A(a_s(\mu_R^2))$$

$$\tilde{G} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) = G(a_s(Q^2), \epsilon) + \int_{Q^2}^{\mu_R^2} \frac{d\mu_R^2}{\mu_R^2} A(a_s(\mu_R^2))$$

Boundary terms

SOLVING RG EQUATION: MASSIVE

Initial goal: Solve for $\ln \tilde{F}$ in powers of bare \hat{a}_s



Need all quantities in powers of \hat{a}_s

Expand

$$\mathcal{B}(a_s(\lambda^2)) \equiv \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_s^k(\lambda^2) \mathcal{B}_k$$

$$\mathcal{B} \in \{K, G, A\}$$

$$\lambda \in \{m, Q, \mu_R\}$$

Renormalisation constant

$$\hat{a}_s = a_s(\mu_R^2) Z_{a_s}(\mu_R^2) \left(\frac{\mu^2}{\mu_R^2} \right)^{-\epsilon}$$

Use

$$Z_{a_s}^{-1}(\lambda^2) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{a}_s^k \left(\frac{\lambda^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{-k\epsilon} \hat{Z}_{a_s}^{-1,(k)}$$

functions of β_i, ϵ

Expansion of \mathcal{B} in powers of \hat{a}_s

SOLVING RG EQUATION: MASSIVE

Soln of \mathcal{B} in powers of \hat{a}_s

$$\mathcal{B}(a_s(\lambda^2)) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{a}_s^k \left(\frac{\lambda^2}{\mu^2}\right)^{-k\epsilon} \hat{\mathcal{B}}_k$$

with

$$\hat{\mathcal{B}}_1 = \mathcal{B}_1,$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{B}}_2 = \mathcal{B}_2 + \mathcal{B}_1 \hat{Z}_{a_s}^{-1,(1)},$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{B}}_3 = \mathcal{B}_3 + 2\mathcal{B}_2 \hat{Z}_{a_s}^{-1,(1)} + \mathcal{B}_1 \hat{Z}_{a_s}^{-1,(2)},$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{B}}_4 = \mathcal{B}_4 + 3\mathcal{B}_3 \hat{Z}_{a_s}^{-1,(1)} + \mathcal{B}_2 \left\{ \left(\hat{Z}_{a_s}^{-1,(1)}\right)^2 + 2\hat{Z}_{a_s}^{-1,(2)} \right\} + \mathcal{B}_1 \hat{Z}_{a_s}^{-1,(3)}$$

and so on...

The integral becomes a polynomial integral \rightsquigarrow trivial

$$\int_{\lambda^2}^{\mu_R^2} \frac{d\mu_R^2}{\mu_R^2} A(a_s(\mu_R^2)) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{a}_s^k \frac{1}{k\epsilon} \left[\left(\frac{\lambda^2}{\mu^2}\right)^{-k\epsilon} - \left(\frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2}\right)^{-k\epsilon} \right] \hat{A}_k$$

UN-RENORMALISED SOLUTION: MASSIVE

Solution of KG in powers of bare \hat{a}_s

$$\ln \tilde{F} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \frac{m^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{a}_s^k \left[\left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{-k\epsilon} \hat{\mathcal{L}}_k^Q(\epsilon) + \left(\frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{-k\epsilon} \hat{\mathcal{L}}_k^m(\epsilon) \right]$$

Renormalised Solution

$$\hat{a}_s = a_s(\mu_R^2) Z_{a_s}(\mu_R^2) \left(\frac{\mu^2}{\mu_R^2} \right)^{-\epsilon}$$

with

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_k^Q(\epsilon) = -\frac{1}{2k\epsilon} \left[\hat{G}_k + \frac{1}{k\epsilon} \hat{A}_k \right],$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_k^m(\epsilon) = -\frac{1}{2k\epsilon} \left[\hat{K}_k - \frac{1}{k\epsilon} \hat{A}_k \right]$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[a_s^k(Q^2) \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_k^Q + a_s^k(m^2) \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_k^m \right]$$

To obtain the renormalised solution in powers of general $a_s(\mu_R^2)$

\rightsquigarrow use d-dimensional evolution of $a_s(\mu_R^2)$

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu_R^2} a_s(\mu_R^2) = -\epsilon a_s(\mu_R^2) - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \beta_k a_s^{k+2}(\mu_R^2)$$

Solved iteratively

RENORMALISED SOLUTION: MASSIVE

Renormalised Solution

$$\ln \tilde{F} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_s^k(\mu_R^2) \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_k$$

For $\mu_R^2 = m^2$ at one loop

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_1 = & \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left(G_1 + K_1 - A_1 L \right) \right\} + \frac{L}{2} \left(G_1 - \frac{A_1 L}{2} \right) - \epsilon \left\{ \frac{L^2}{4} \left(G_1 - \frac{A_1 L}{3} \right) \right\} \\ & + \epsilon^2 \left\{ \frac{L^3}{12} \left(G_1 - \frac{A_1 L}{4} \right) \right\} - \epsilon^3 \left\{ \frac{L^4}{48} \left(G_1 - \frac{A_1 L}{5} \right) \right\} + \epsilon^4 \left\{ \frac{L^5}{240} \left(G_1 - \frac{A_1 L}{6} \right) \right\} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^5) \end{aligned}$$

At two loop

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_2 = & \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left\{ \frac{\beta_0}{4} \left(G_1 + K_1 - A_1 L \right) \right\} - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left\{ \frac{1}{4} \left(G_2 + K_2 - A_2 L \right) \right\} + \frac{L}{2} \left(G_2 - \frac{A_2 L}{2} \right) \\ & - \frac{\beta_0 L^2}{4} \left(G_1 - \frac{A_1 L}{3} \right) - \epsilon \left\{ \frac{L^2}{2} \left(G_2 - \frac{A_2 L}{3} \right) - \frac{\beta_0 L^3}{4} \left(G_1 - \frac{A_1 L}{4} \right) \right\} \\ & + \epsilon^2 \left\{ \frac{L^3}{3} \left(G_2 - \frac{A_2 L}{4} \right) - \frac{7\beta_0 L^4}{48} \left(G_1 - \frac{A_1 L}{5} \right) \right\} - \epsilon^3 \left\{ \frac{L^4}{6} \left(G_2 - \frac{A_2 L}{5} \right) \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{\beta_0 L^5}{16} \left(G_1 - \frac{A_1 L}{6} \right) \right\} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4) \end{aligned}$$

and so on...

$$L = \log(Q^2/m^2)$$

NEW RESULTS: MASSIVE

- Conformal theory $\beta_i = 0$: all order result

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_k = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (-\epsilon k)^{l-1} \frac{L^l}{2 l!} \left(G_k + \delta_{0l} K_k - \frac{A_k L}{l+1} \right)$$

- Form Factor

$$F = C(a_s(m^2), \epsilon) e^{\ln \tilde{F}} \longrightarrow \text{consistent with literature up to 3-loop}$$

[Gluza, Mitov, Moch, Riemann '07, '09]

- State-of-the-art results

$$F_1, F_2 \text{ at 3-loop in large } N_c$$

[Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser '16]

- New results in 1704.07846

$$F_1 \text{ at 4-loop in large } N_c \text{ and high energy limit}$$


$$\text{upto } \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}$$

$$F_2 \text{ is suppressed by } m^2/q^2 \text{ in high energy limit}$$

DETERMINING UNKNOWN CONSTANTS: MASSIVE

Determining unknown constants G, K, C in large N_c limit



Comparing with explicit computations

★ G_1 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$, G_2 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$

[Gluza, Mitov, Moch, Riemann '07 '09]

G_3 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0)$ new!



F_1 at 3-loop

[Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser '16]

[Gluza, Mitov, Moch, Riemann '09]

★ K_1, K_2

K_3 new!

★ C_1 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$, C_2 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$

[Gluza, Mitov, Moch, Riemann '09]

C_1 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4)$, C_2 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$, C_3 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0)$ new!

explicit computation

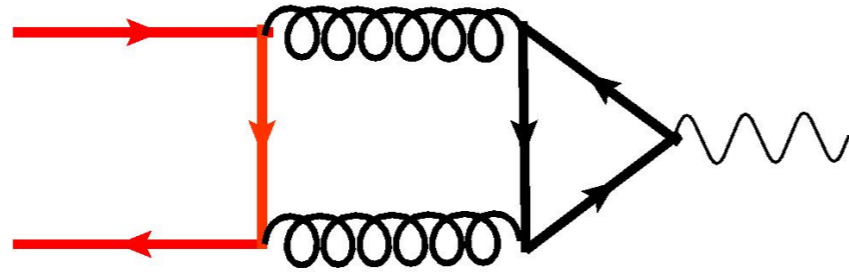
★ A_4 became available recently

[Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser '16]

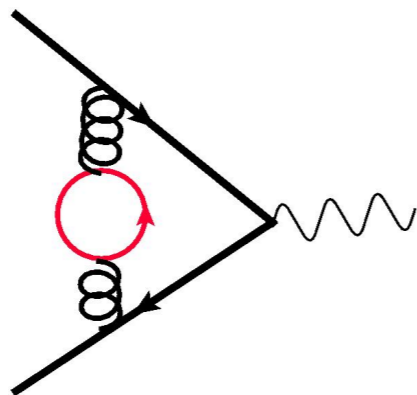
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COMMENTS: MASSIVE

- Excludes singlet contributions



- Excludes closed heavy-quark loops



Obey similar
exponentiation

[Kühn, Moch, Penin, Smirnov '01]

[Feucht, Kühn, Moch '03]

 Sub-leading in large N_c limit

 Hence, we have not considerer these

MASSLESS SCENARIO

RG EQUATION: MASSLESS

- FF satisfies KG eqn

$$-\frac{d}{d \ln \mu^2} \ln \tilde{F} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \frac{m^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\tilde{K} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{m^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) + \tilde{G} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) \right]$$

[Sudakov '56; Mueller '79; Collins '80; Sen '81]

Solved exactly the similar way

[Ravindran '06]

$$\ln \tilde{F} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \frac{m^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{a}_s^k \left[\left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{-k\epsilon} \hat{\mathcal{L}}_k^Q(\epsilon) + \left(\frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{-k\epsilon} \hat{\mathcal{L}}_k^m(\epsilon) \right]$$

Up to 4-loop: present

[Moch, Vermaseren, Vogt '05]

[Ravindran '06]

5-loop solution

new!

RG EQUATION: MASSLESS

- Conformal theory $\beta_i = 0$: all order result

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_k^Q = \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2k^2} A_k \right\} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2k} G_k \right\}$$

[Bern, Dixon, Smirnov '05]

- FF

[TA, Banerjee, Dhani, Rana, Ravindran, Seth '17]

$$F = C e^{\ln \tilde{F}}$$

Matching coefficient = 1

- State-of-the-art results

F at 4-loop in large N_c

[Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser, Lee '16]

- New results in 1704.07846

F at 5-loop in large N_c and high energy limit

upto $\frac{1}{\epsilon^3}$

DETERMINING UNKNOWN CONSTANTS: MASSLESS

Determining unknown constants in large N_c limit



Comparing with explicit computations

★ G_1 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^6)$, G_2 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4)$, G_3 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$

[Baikov, Chetyrkin, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser '09]

[Gehrmann, Glover, Huber, Izklerli, Studerus '10]

G_4 to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0)$ new! ↔ F at 4-loop

[Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser, Lee '16]

★ $K_i = K_i(A_k, \beta_k)$ do not appear in the final expressions

↔ get cancelled against similar terms arising from G

COMMENTS: MASSIVE & MASSLESS

★ G are same for massive and massless

[Mitov, Moch '07]

↪ expected! Governed by universal cusp AD

↪ Manifestly clear in our methodology

$$\tilde{G} \left(\hat{a}_s, \frac{Q^2}{\mu_R^2}, \frac{\mu_R^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon \right) = G \left(a_s(Q^2), \epsilon \right) + \int_{Q^2}^{\mu_R^2} \frac{d\mu_R^2}{\mu_R^2} A \left(a_s(\mu_R^2) \right)$$

★ For massive K_i enter only into the poles of $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_k$

↪ Constants and $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^k)$ terms can be determined from massless calculation

↪ could lead to deeper understanding of the connection between massive & massless FF

PROCESS INDEPENDENT FUNCTION

- QCD factorisation: massive amplitudes shares essential properties with the corresponding massless ones in the **high-energy limit**

$$\mathcal{M}^{(m)} = \prod_{i \in \{\text{all legs}\}} \left[Z_{[i]}^{(m|0)} \left(\frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right) \right]^{1/2} \mathcal{M}^{(0)}$$

[Moch, Mitov '07]

Massive Massless


Universal and depends only on the external partons!

- Can be computed using simplest amplitudes: FF

$$Z_{[q]}^{(m|0)} = \frac{F(Q^2, m^2, \mu^2)}{\bar{F}(Q^2, \mu^2)}$$

- ★ Q^2 independence is manifestly clear: governed by G, same for massive & massless FF
- ★ $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0)$ at 3-loop, upto $\mathcal{O}(1/\epsilon^2)$ at 4-loop \rightsquigarrow **new!**
- ★ Relates dimensionally regularised amplitudes to those where the IR divergence is regularised with a small quark mass.

CONCLUSIONS

- ★ RG equations governing massive & massless quark-photon FF are discussed.
- ★ Elegant derivation for analytic solution is proposed
 key idea: use bare coupling
- ★ Q^2 dependence is governed by G & cusp AD: same for massive & massless
- ★ Massive: non-trivial matching coefficient C
- ★ Massive: F_1 at 4-loop in large N_c and high energy limit to $\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}$
Massless: F at 5-loop in large N_c and high energy limit to $\frac{1}{\epsilon^3}$

THANK YOU!