

# Renormalization of gluon quasi-PDFs in LaMET

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# Introduction

- Parton quantities such as the PDFs are difficult to access on the lattice
  - Defined on the light-cone
  - Example [Collins and Soper, NPB 82'] ( $\xi^\pm = (t \pm z)/\sqrt{2}$ )

$$q(x, \mu^2) = \int \frac{d\xi^-}{4\pi} e^{-ix\xi^- P^+} \langle P | \bar{\psi}(\xi^-) \gamma^+ \exp\left(-ig \int_0^{\xi^-} d\eta^- A^+(\eta^-)\right) \psi(0) | P \rangle$$

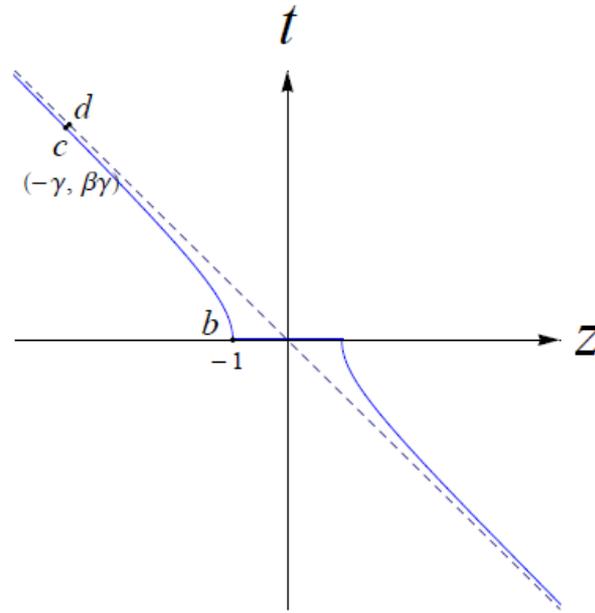
$$t^2 - x^2 = 0 \rightarrow -\tau^2 - x^2 = 0$$

- However, they were originally introduced by Feynman as the **infinite momentum limit** of **frame-dependent** quantities

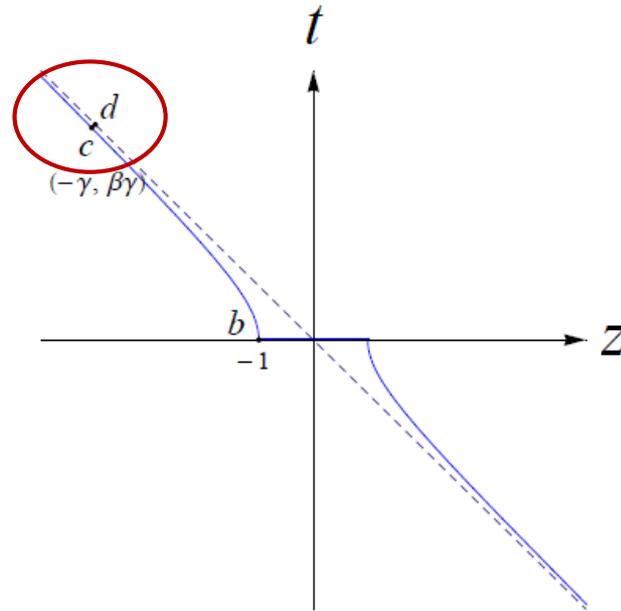
$$q(x) = \lim_{P_z \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{q}(x, P_z)$$

- Boost to infinite momentum leads to light-cone correlations
- If we can construct a  $\tilde{q}(x, P_z)$  such that it is calculable on the lattice, and all  $P_z$ -dependence can be systematically removed
- Then we can calculate  $q(x)$ !

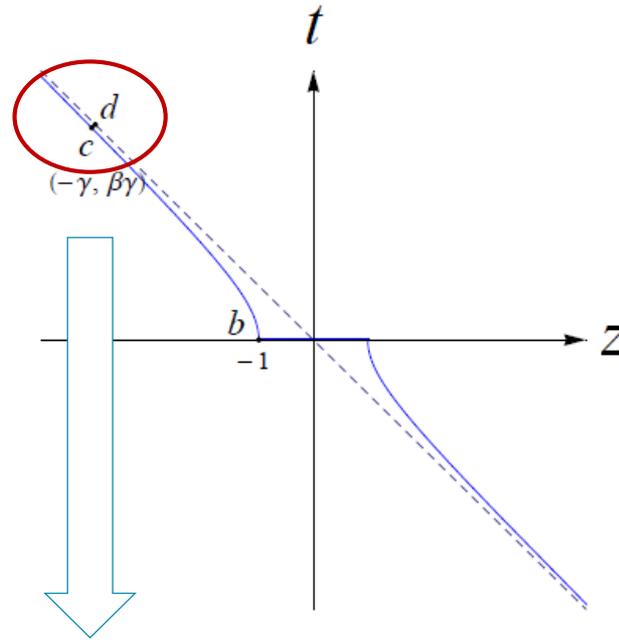
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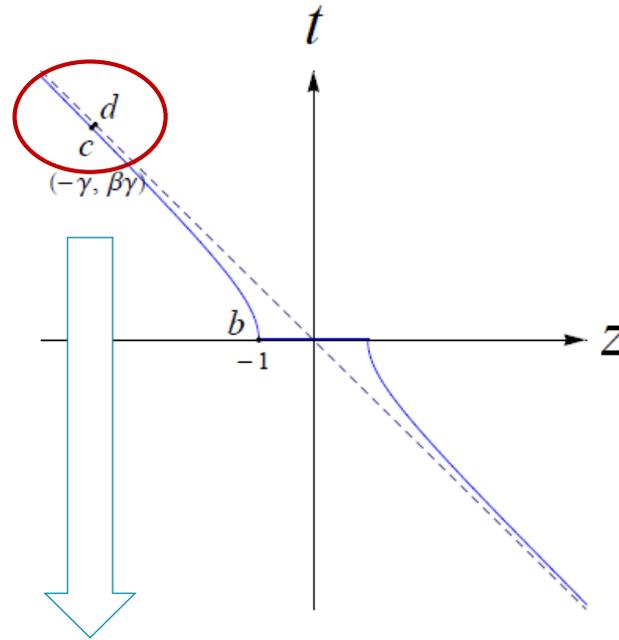


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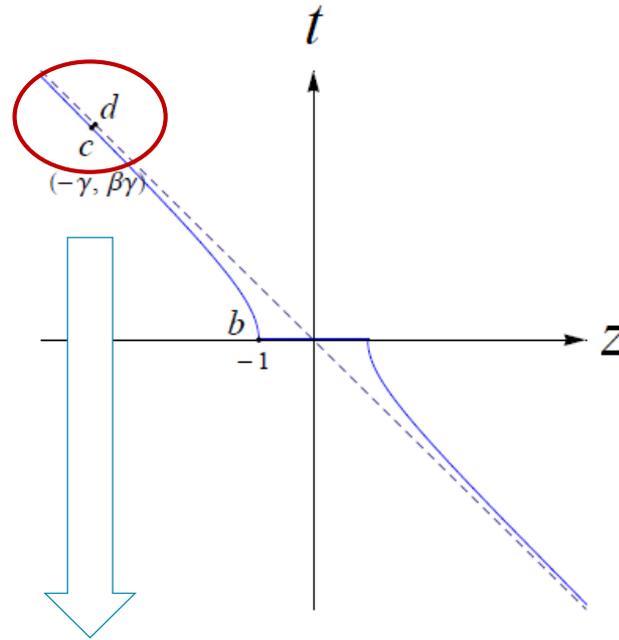
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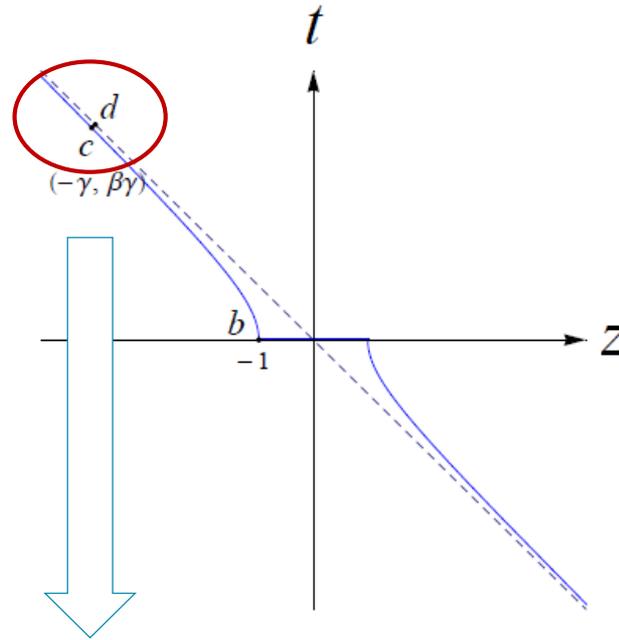
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- A finite but large  $P_z$  already offers a good approximation, where **(leading) frame-dependence can be removed through a factorization formula**

$$\tilde{q}(x, P_z, p_z^R, \mu_R) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dy}{|y|} C \left( \frac{x}{y}, r, \frac{yP_z}{\mu}, \frac{yP_z}{p_z^R} \right) q(y, \mu) + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{M^2}{P_z^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{P_z^2} \right)$$

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- **Parton model is an effective theory for the nucleon moving at large momentum**

# Other proposals

- Current-current correlation functions
  - [Liu and Dong, PRL 94']
  - [Detmold and Lin, PRD 06']
  - [Braun and Müller, EPJC 08']
  - [Davoudi and Savage, PRD 12']
  - [Chambers et al., PRL 17']
- Lattice cross sections
  - [Ma and Qiu, 14' & PRL 17']
- Ioffe-time /pseudo-distribution
  - [Radyushkin, PRD 17']
- **They share similar spirit of computing correlations at spacelike separations**

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$$\tilde{h}(z, P_z, a^{-1}) = \frac{1}{2P^0} \langle P | O_{\gamma^t}(z) | P \rangle$$

$$O_{\Gamma}(z) = \bar{\psi}(z) \Gamma U(z, 0) \psi(0)$$

$$U(z, 0) = P \exp \left( -ig \int_0^z dz' A_z(z') \right)$$

$$\tilde{h}_R(z, P_z, p_z^R, \mu_R)$$

$$= Z^{-1}(z, p_z^R, a^{-1}, \mu_R) \tilde{h}(z, P_z, a^{-1}) \Big|_{a \rightarrow 0}$$

$$Z(z, p_z^R, a^{-1}, \mu_R) = \frac{\sum_s \langle p, s | O_{\gamma^t}(z) | p, s \rangle}{\sum_s \langle p, s | O_{\gamma^t}(z) | p, s \rangle_{\text{tree}}} \Big|_{\substack{p^2 = -\mu_R^2 \\ p_z = p_z^R}}$$

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- Gluon PDF (unpol.) [Collins, Soper, NPB 82']

$$f_{g/H}(x, \mu) = \int \frac{d\xi^-}{2\pi x P^+} e^{-ixP^+\xi^-} \langle P | F_a^{+i}(\xi^-) \mathcal{W}(\xi^-, 0) F_a^{+i}(0) | P \rangle$$

- Naively expected gluon quasi-PDF operators

$$O_g^{\mu\nu}(z, 0) = F^{\mu\alpha}(z) \mathcal{W}(z, 0) F_\alpha^\nu(0)$$

- $\{\mu, \nu\} = \{z, t\}$
- They mix in general with other operators under renormalization

- **Auxiliary field approach** [Dorn, Fortsch. Phys. 86', Ji, JHZ, Zhao, PRL 18']

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} + \bar{Q}(x) i n \cdot D Q(x)$$

- For a space like  $n$ , no dynamical evolution for  $Q$
- The two-point function of  $Q$  is

$$\int \mathcal{D}\bar{Q} \mathcal{D}Q Q(x) \bar{Q}(y) e^{i \int d^4x \mathcal{L}} = S_Q(x, y) e^{i \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}}$$

with

$$n \cdot D S_Q(x, y) = \delta^{(4)}(x - y)$$

# Gluon quasi-PDFs

- Solution

$$\begin{aligned} S_Q(x, y) &= \theta(x^z - y^z) \delta(x^0 - y^0) \delta^{(2)}(\vec{x}_\perp - \vec{y}_\perp) L(x, y) \\ &= \theta(x^z - y^z) \delta(x^0 - y^0) \delta^{(2)}(\vec{x}_\perp - \vec{y}_\perp) L(x^z, y^z) \end{aligned}$$

- $\delta$ -function ensures that the time and transverse components are equal, and therefore generates a spacelike Wilson line
- The non-local gluon quasi-PDF operator can be replaced by **a product of two local composite operators**

$$\mathcal{O}_g^{(3)}(z_2, z_1) = J_1^{ti}(z_2) \bar{J}_{1,i}^z(z_1)$$

$$J_1^{ti}(z_2) = F_a^{ti}(z_2) Q_a(z_2), \quad \bar{J}_{1,i}^z(z_1) = \bar{Q}_b(z_1) F_{b,i}^z(z_1)$$

- After integrating out  $Q$ , the gluon quasi-PDF is recovered

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- Local operator mixing [Joglekar, Lee, *Annals Phys.* 76', Collins, Renormalization]
  - Gauge-invariant operators
  - BRST exact operators
  - Operators that vanish by equation of motion

- For  $J_1^{\mu\nu}$ , the operators allowed to mix are

$$J_2^{\mu\nu} = n_\rho (F_a^{\mu\rho} n^\nu - F_a^{\nu\rho} n^\mu) \mathcal{Q}_a / n^2,$$
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- The mass term might be absent in DR, but can be generated by radiative corrections in a cutoff regularization such as lattice regularization
- General mixing pattern

$$\begin{pmatrix} J_{1,R}^{\mu\nu} \\ J_{2,R}^{\mu\nu} \\ J_{3,R}^{\mu\nu} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} & Z_{13} \\ 0 & Z_{22} & Z_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & Z_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_1^{\mu\nu} \\ J_2^{\mu\nu} \\ J_3^{\mu\nu} \end{pmatrix},$$

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- Renormalization constants are not all independent

$$\begin{pmatrix} J_{1,R}^{z\mu} \\ J_{3,R}^{z\mu} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{22} & Z_{13} \\ 0 & Z_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_1^{z\mu} \\ J_3^{z\mu} \end{pmatrix}, \quad J_{1,R}^{ti} = Z_{11} J_1^{ti}, \quad J_{1,R}^{ij} = Z_{11} J_1^{ij}$$

- Different components have different renormalization due to Lorentz symmetry breaking

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- Four such operators have been identified [JHZ et al, PRL 19']

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$$\begin{aligned}
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 I_2^{\rho\nu} &= \frac{\alpha_s C_A}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{1}{d-4} \left[ \frac{1}{4} F_a^{\rho\nu} Q_a + \frac{1}{2} (F_a^{\rho\sigma} n_\nu n_\sigma - F_a^{\nu\sigma} n_\rho n_\sigma) Q_a / n^2 + \frac{1}{2} (A_a^\rho n^\nu - A_a^\nu n^\rho) n \cdot \partial Q_a / n^2 \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{\pi\mu}{d-3} (n^\rho A_a^\nu - n^\nu A_a^\rho) Q_a + \text{reg.} \right\}, \tag{2.29}
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- The same conclusion is reached in Feynman diagram calculations [Wang et al, EPJC 18', JHEP 18'] if the above regulator is used

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- In principle, any linear combination of the operators

$$O_g^{(1)}(z, 0) \equiv F^{ti}(z)\mathcal{W}(z, 0)F_i^t(0), \quad O_g^{(2)}(z, 0) \equiv F^{zi}(z)\mathcal{W}(z, 0)F_i^z(0),$$
$$O_g^{(3)}(z, 0) \equiv F^{ti}(z)\mathcal{W}(z, 0)F_i^z(0), \quad O_g^{(4)}(z, 0) \equiv F^{z\mu}(z)\mathcal{W}(z, 0)F_\mu^z(0),$$

can be used to study gluon quasi-PDFs, but usually they are not multiplicatively renormalizable

- For example [[Fan et al, PRL 18'](#)]

$$O_{g,R}^{(5)}(z_2, z_1) \equiv (F^{t\mu}(z_2)\mathcal{W}(z_2, z_1)F_\mu^t(z_1))_R = -O_{g,R}^{(1)}(z_2, z_1) - O_{g,R}^{(2)}(z_2, z_1) - O_{g,R}^{(4)}(z_2, z_1)$$

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# RI/MOM scheme

- Nonlocal quasi-PDF operators at different  $z$  do not mix under renormalization. Two ways to perform renormalization:
  - Calculate the endpoint renormalization factors and the Wilson line mass counterterm nonperturbatively
  - Calculate the renormalization factors as a whole for each  $z$  (RI/MOM)
- Inserting gluon (quark) quasi-PDF operators into a quark (gluon) state yields finite mixing
- Taking it into account in RI/MOM renormalization helps improve convergence in the implementation of the matching

$$\begin{pmatrix} O_g^{(n)}(z, 0) \\ O_q^s(z, 0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11}(z) & Z_{12}(z)/z \\ zZ_{21}(z) & Z_{22}(z) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} O_{g,R}^{(n)}(z, 0) \\ O_{q,R}^s(z, 0) \end{pmatrix},$$

with

$$O_q^s(z_1, z_2) = 1/2[\bar{q}_i(z_1)\Gamma W(z_1, z_2)q_i(z_2) - (z_1 \leftrightarrow z_2)]$$

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- RI/MOM renormalization condition [Wang, JHZ et al, 19']

$$\frac{\text{Tr}[\Lambda_{22}(p, z)\mathcal{P}]_R}{\text{Tr}[\Lambda_{22}(p, z)\mathcal{P}]_{\text{tree}}}\bigg|_{\substack{p^2 = -\mu_R^2 \\ p_z = p_z^R}} = 1, \quad \frac{[P_{ij}^{ab}\Lambda_{11}^{ab,ij}(p, z)]_R}{[P_{ij}^{ab}\Lambda_{11}^{ab,ij}(p, z)]_{\text{tree}}}\bigg|_{\substack{p^2 = -\mu_R^2 \\ p_z = p_z^R}} = 1,$$

$$\text{Tr}[\Lambda_{12}(p, z)\mathcal{P}]_R\bigg|_{\substack{p^2 = -\mu_R^2 \\ p_z = p_z^R}} = 0, \quad [P_{ij}^{ab}\Lambda_{21}^{ab,ij}(p, z)]_R\bigg|_{\substack{p^2 = -\mu_R^2 \\ p_z = p_z^R}} = 0,$$

$$h_{g,R}^{(n)}(z, P^z, \mu_R, p_z^R) = \bar{Z}_{11}(z, \mu_R, p_z^R, 1/a)h_g^{(n)}(z, P^z, 1/a) + \bar{Z}_{12}(z, \mu_R, p_z^R, 1/a)/z h_q^s(z, P^z, 1/a),$$

$$h_{q,R}^s(z, P^z, \mu_R, p_z^R) = \bar{Z}_{22}(z, \mu_R, p_z^R, 1/a)h_q^s(z, P^z, 1/a) + z\bar{Z}_{21}(z, \mu_R, p_z^R, 1/a) h_g^{(n)}(z, P^z, 1/a).$$

with

$$\bar{\mathcal{Z}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{Z}_{11}(z) & \bar{Z}_{12}(z)/z \\ z\bar{Z}_{21}(z) & \bar{Z}_{22}(z) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11}(z) & Z_{12}(z)/z \\ zZ_{21}(z) & Z_{22}(z) \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

# Factorization and matching

- Coordinate space

$$\tilde{h}_{q_i,R}(z, P^z, \mu) = \int_{-1}^1 du C_{q_i q_j}(u, \mu^2 z^2) h_{q_j}(u\nu, \mu) + \int_{-1}^1 du C_{qg}(u, \mu^2 z^2) h_g(u\nu, \mu).$$

$$\tilde{h}_{g,R}(z, P^z, \mu) = \int_{-1}^1 du \frac{C_{gg}(u, \mu^2 z^2)}{\nu} h_g(u\nu, \mu) + \int_{-1}^1 du \frac{C_{gq}(u, \mu^2 z^2)}{\nu} h_{q_i}(u\nu, \mu).$$

- Momentum space

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{f}_{g/H}^{(n)}(x, P^z, p_z^R, \mu_R) &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dy}{|y|} \left[ C_{gg} \left( \frac{x}{y}, \frac{\mu_R}{p_z^R}, \frac{yP^z}{\mu}, \frac{yP^z}{p_z^R} \right) f_{g/H}(y, \mu) + C_{gq} \left( \frac{x}{y}, \frac{\mu_R}{p_z^R}, \frac{yP^z}{\mu}, \frac{yP^z}{p_z^R} \right) f_{q_j/H}(y, \mu) \right] \\ &\quad + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{M^2}{(P^z)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{(P^z)^2} \right), \\ \tilde{f}_{q_i/H}(x, P^z, p_z^R, \mu_R) &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dy}{|y|} \left[ C_{q_i q_j} \left( \frac{x}{y}, \frac{\mu_R}{p_z^R}, \frac{yP^z}{\mu}, \frac{yP^z}{p_z^R} \right) f_{q_j/H}(y, \mu) + C_{qg} \left( \frac{x}{y}, \frac{\mu_R}{p_z^R}, \frac{yP^z}{\mu}, \frac{yP^z}{p_z^R} \right) f_{g/H}(y, \mu) \right] \\ &\quad + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{M^2}{(P^z)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{(P^z)^2} \right), \end{aligned} \tag{2.53}$$

- Perturbative matching coefficients have been available at one-loop

# Polarized gluon PDF

- For

$$\Delta f_{g/H}(x, \mu) = i\epsilon_{\perp ij} \int \frac{d\xi^-}{2\pi x P^+} e^{-i\xi^- x P^+} \langle P | F^{+i}(\xi^- n_+) \mathcal{W}(\xi^- n_+, 0; L_{n_+}) F^{j+}(0) | P \rangle$$

- We have identified three multiplicatively renormalizable quasi-PDF operators [JHZ et al, PRL 19']

$$\Delta O_g^1(z, 0) = i\epsilon_{\perp, ij} F^{ti}(z_2) \mathcal{W}(z_2, z_1) F^{tj}(z_1),$$

$$\Delta O_g^2(z, 0) = i\epsilon_{\perp, ij} F^{zi}(z_2) \mathcal{W}(z_2, z_1) F^{zj}(z_1),$$

$$\Delta O_g^3(z, 0) = i\epsilon_{\perp, ij} F^{ti}(z_2) \mathcal{W}(z_2, z_1) F^{zj}(z_1),$$

- Renormalization, factorization and matching are similar to the unpolarized case [Wang, JHZ et al, 19']
- Perturbative matching coefficients also available at one-loop

# Summary and outlook

- Rapid progress has been achieved in the past few years on direct computations of  $x$ -dependence of hadron structure from lattice QCD
- Applications to nucleon PDFs have yielded encouraging results, but so far only to isovector quark combinations which do not mix with gluons
- Flavor-singlet quark PDF and Gluon PDF
  - Appropriate gluon quasi-PDF operators identified
  - Renormalization and factorization understood
  - Perturbative matching available at 1-loop
  - Can now be studied on the lattice
- Generalization to GPDs ...