

Small- x physics at EIC, a few simple exercises

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1. Calculate

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk \frac{e^{ikx}}{k^2 + m^2}.$$

This can be done the easy way using the theorem of residues; there is probably also a hard way without it.

Then calculate the two dimensional transform needed in the virtual photon-dipole wave function

$$\int d^2\mathbf{k}_T \frac{e^{i\mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{r}_T}}{\mathbf{k}_T^2 + m^2}$$

and compare. One way to do this is to integrate over the angle first, which leaves you with the Bessel $J_0(|\mathbf{k}_T||\mathbf{r}_T|) = J_0(kr)$. The integral over k then gives a modified Bessel K_0 . Mathematica will do the k -integral for you. A more generalizable way is to use a Schwinger parametrization for the propagator

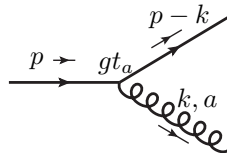
$$\frac{1}{k^2 + m^2} = \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{-t(k^2 + m^2)},$$

then do the (Gaussian) Fourier-transform and identify the integral representation

$$\int \frac{dt}{t} e^{-tA} e^{-B/t} = 2K_0(2\sqrt{AB}).$$

When you are calculating the virtual photon-to-dipole wave function, what is m ? What is the asymptotic behavior for $mr \gg 1$? Compare the asymptotic behavior to the 1-dimensional case. What does this tell you about the size of the dipole in a DIS event?

2. (Kovchegov & Levin, exercise 5.1) The gluon field radiated from a fast-moving quark can be written using usual covariant theory Feynman rules as



$$A_\mu^a(k) = -igt^a \frac{-ig_{\mu\nu}}{k^2 + i\varepsilon} \bar{u}_\sigma(p-k) \gamma^\nu u_\sigma(p) (2\pi) \delta((p-k)^2) \quad (1)$$

The incoming quark is on shell, with $p^\mu = (p^+, 0, \mathbf{0}_T)$.

(a) **The eikonal vertex:** assuming $p^+ \approx (p-k)^+ \gg k^+$ show or convince yourself (e.g. using the Gordon decomposition) that the leading high energy behavior is

$$\bar{u}_{\sigma'}(p-k) \gamma^\nu u_\sigma(p) \approx 2p^+ \delta^{\nu+} \delta_{\sigma\sigma'} \quad (2)$$

(b) Then Fourier-transform

$$A_\mu^a(x) = \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ik \cdot x} A_\mu^a(k) \quad (3)$$

to get the field in coordinate space

$$A_{\text{cov}}^{+a} = \frac{g}{\pi} t^a \delta(x^-) \ln \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}_T| \Lambda} \quad (4)$$

You may use the result

$$\int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_T}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{e^{-ik \cdot x}}{\mathbf{k}_T^2} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \ln \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}_T| \Lambda}. \quad (5)$$

Here Λ is some IR cutoff that you need to introduce to make sense of the logarithmically divergent integral; the UV ($k_T \rightarrow \infty$) is finite because of the oscillatory factor in the Fourier transform

(c) In Light Cone Gauge, one introduces an axial gauge fixing four-vector n^μ , with $n^2 = 0$. The LC gauge for a right-moving nucleus has $n^- = 1, n^+ = \mathbf{n}_T = 0$. One then replaces the Feynman propagator as:

$$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{k_\mu n_\nu + k_\nu n_\mu}{k \cdot n} \quad (6)$$

Calculate now the coordinate space color field $A_{\text{LC}}^\mu(x)$ with the same approximations

3. (Kovchegov & Levin, 4.5 b) Solve the BK equation in zero transverse dimensions:

$$\partial_y N = \alpha_s N - \alpha_s N^2, \quad N(y=0) = N_0 \ll 1 \quad (7)$$