

PHY 905-004

Running Couplings

and

Higher Order Calculations .

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- Regularization
- Renormalization
- Factorization

- Coupling Constant and Perturbative Calculation

— Consider a gauge theory with a single coupling constant.

$$e \quad \text{in QED} \quad (\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi})$$

$$g_s \quad \text{in QCD} \quad (\alpha_s = \frac{g_s^2}{4\pi})$$

— In perturbative calculation,

$$\text{Any physical observable} = \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\text{tree}} \times \{$$

$$1 + c_1 \frac{\alpha}{\pi} + c_2 \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 + c_3 \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3 + \dots \}$$

e.g.

$$R \equiv \frac{e^- e^+ \rightarrow \text{hadrons}}{e^- e^+ \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+}$$

$$= R^{(0)} \left\{ 1 + c_1 \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} + c_2 \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 + c_3 \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^3 + \dots \right\}$$

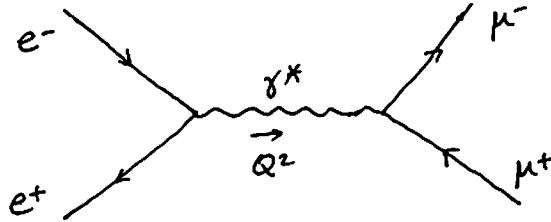
$$= R^{(0)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} + 1.411 \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 + 12.8 \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^3 + \dots \right\}$$

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QCD corrections.

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- Determine α from $e^-e^+ \rightarrow \mu^-\mu^+$ (in QED)



Tree level :

$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3s}, \quad s \equiv Q^2$$

— Need to determine α from one experiment,

then can predict all rates in different experiments.

— Let's consider

α is determined at Q_1^2 from σ_1 ,

what's the rate σ_2 at Q_2^2 ?

③

- 1) At tree-level, (Born-level, leading order)

$$\text{--- ①} \quad \sigma_1 = \frac{4\pi \alpha^2}{3 Q_1^2}$$

\uparrow
 \downarrow

measured
Known

$$\Rightarrow \alpha \text{ is determined. } \alpha^2 = \frac{3 Q_1^2}{4\pi} \sigma_1$$

- ② At Q_2^2 :

$$\frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1} = \frac{\alpha^2 / Q_2^2}{\alpha^2 / Q_1^2} = \frac{Q_1^2}{Q_2^2}$$

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(Okay, but not good enough.)

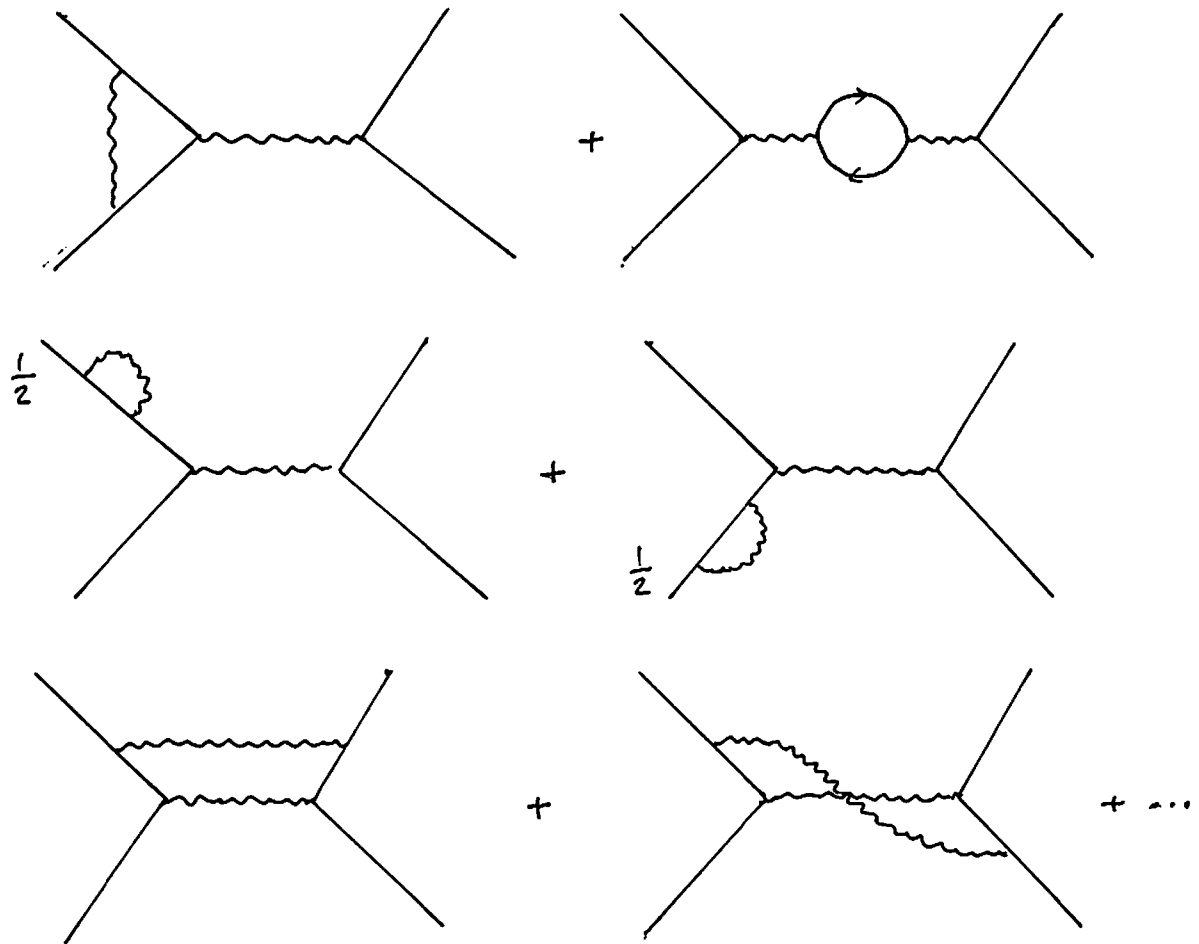
$$\Rightarrow \sigma_2 = \sigma_1 \frac{Q_1^2}{Q_2^2} \quad (\text{prediction.})$$

- Note: In reality, for large s , also need to include Z -boson.

\Rightarrow Complicate Considerations.

- 2) At one-loop level (NLO)

— Can improve prediction power by doing higher-order calculations.



For any physical observables, the theoretical prediction has to be finite.



Renormalizable Theory!

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— ① In loop calculations :

Two kinds of divergences :

{ Ultraviolet : $p \rightarrow \infty$
Infrared : $p \rightarrow 0$: { Soft
Collinear

where p is loop momentum : $\int d^4p$.

Need to "regularize" the divergence :

* Momentum cutoff scheme.

(Introducing $\Lambda^2_{\text{cut-off}}$ in $\int^{\Lambda^2} d^4p$)

* Dimensional Regularization

(Introducing μ to restore proper dimension
of coupling in n -dimension .)

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Note : How is μ introduced in loop calculations?

In n -dimension, coupling e has the dimension $\equiv [M]^{2-\frac{n}{2}}$,

so we replace e by $e \cdot [\mu^{2-\frac{n}{2}}]$ in the Lagrangian,

where, e remains ~~the~~ dimensionless.

e.g.



$$\sim \mu^{4-n} \cdot e^2 \int \frac{d^n p}{(2\pi)^n}$$

$$n = 4 - 2\varepsilon$$

$$\sim \left(\frac{\pi^2}{16\pi^4} \right) \cdot (e^2 \mu^{2\varepsilon}) \cdot \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$$

where π^2 comes from $\int_4 d\Omega \sim \pi^2(\dots)$.

$$\left[\frac{1}{16\pi^2} \right] \leftarrow \text{loop factor}$$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} e^2 \mu^{2\varepsilon} \cdot \frac{1}{\varepsilon} = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} e^2 \varepsilon \ln \mu^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$$

$$= (1 + \varepsilon \ln \mu^2) \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} + \underline{\underline{\ln \mu^2}}$$

— ② Any physical observable has to be finite :

In loop calculation :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow 4} \frac{1}{4-n} \rightarrow \infty \quad (\text{pole term})$$

\Rightarrow Need to add "counter terms" to the Lagrangian

to cancel the divergence in loop calculation

and obtain finite prediction.

Renormalization :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Counter term} & = & \text{"pole term"} + \text{finite piece} \\ & & \uparrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \uparrow \\ & & \text{Universal} \qquad \qquad \text{scheme dependent} \end{array}$$

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- Renormalization Procedure for a Renormalizable Theory

— . $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L} (g_{\text{bare}}, \psi_{\text{bare}}, \dots)$

- . First, define the renormalized coupling g_{ren} via

$$g_{\text{bare}} = g_{\text{ren}} (1 + \delta g)$$

where δg is the counterterm in general proportional to

$\frac{1}{4-n}$ in n -dimensional regularization, which cancels

$\frac{1}{(4-n)}$ terms from loop diagram calculation.

- . g_{ren} is finite, which is to be compared to data.

— ③ loop-level result:

$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi}{3Q^2} [\alpha(\mu)]^2 \left\{ 1 + 2 \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \beta_1 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2} + \dots \right\}$$

↑
physical observable
(Independent of μ)

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2. depends
on μ .

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may contain other
kinds of log's.

$$\mu \frac{d\sigma}{d\mu} = 0$$

$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi}{3Q^2} \left\{ \alpha(\mu) \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \beta_1 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2} \right) \right\}^2 \left\{ 1 + \dots \right\}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi}{3Q^2} \left\{ \alpha(Q) \right\}^2 \cdot \left\{ 1 + \dots \right\}$$

↑
running coupling / effective coupling.

Use tree-level relation to obtain 1-loop result by replacing

α_{tree} by $\alpha(Q)$:

$$\sigma \sim \frac{\alpha^2}{s} \quad (\text{tree})$$

$$\sigma \sim \frac{\alpha^2}{s} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \beta_1 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2} \right)$$

$$\sim \frac{\alpha_{loop}^2}{s} \quad (1\text{-loop})$$

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Measure $\alpha(\mu)$ from σ_1 at a chosen μ . Then,

can predict σ_2 from the above.

$$\frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1} = \frac{Q_1^2 [\alpha(Q_2)]^2}{Q_2^2 [\alpha(Q_1)]^2}$$

$$\frac{\alpha(Q_2)}{\alpha(Q_1)} = \frac{\frac{1}{\alpha(Q_1)}}{\frac{1}{\alpha(Q_2)}} = \frac{Q_2}{Q_1} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\alpha(Q_1)} + \frac{\beta_1}{4\pi} \ln \frac{Q_2^2}{Q_1^2}}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{\beta_1}{4\pi} \alpha(Q_1) \ln \frac{Q_2^2}{Q_1^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} = \left(\frac{Q_1}{Q_2}\right)^2 \cdot \left\{ 1 - 2 \cdot \frac{\alpha(Q_1)}{4\pi} \beta_1 \ln \frac{Q_2^2}{Q_1^2} \right\}$$

↑

This theory prediction agrees better with data.

• β -function.

$$\beta \equiv \mu \frac{\partial g(\mu)}{\partial \mu} \equiv -g \left\{ \frac{\alpha g}{4\pi} \beta_1 + \left(\frac{\alpha g}{4\pi}\right)^2 \beta_2 + \dots \right\}$$

$$\alpha g \equiv \frac{g^2}{4\pi}$$

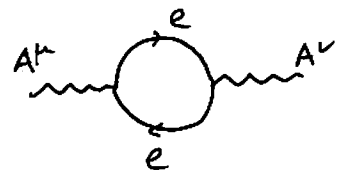
In one loop.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\alpha g(\mu)} - \frac{1}{\alpha g(\mu_0)} = \frac{\beta_1}{4\pi} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{\mu_0^2} \quad (\text{running})$$

* In QED

$$g = e, \quad \alpha g = \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}$$

$$\beta_1 = -\frac{4}{3}$$



* In QCD,

$$g = g_s, \quad \alpha g = \alpha_s = \frac{g_s^2}{4\pi}$$

$$\beta_1 = 11 - \frac{2nf}{3}, \quad (nf \text{ is number of light quarks})$$

i.e. $m_q \leq \mu$

Note: \overline{MS} scheme.

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— $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ is physical observable.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu)} &= \frac{1}{\alpha_s(M_Z)} + \frac{\beta_1}{4\pi} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{M_Z^2} \\
 &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{\alpha_s(M_Z)} - \frac{\beta_1}{4\pi} \ln M_Z^2}_{\text{can be}} + \frac{\beta_1}{4\pi} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{M_Z^2} \\
 &= -\frac{\beta_1}{4\pi} \ln \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2 + \frac{\beta_1}{4\pi} \ln \mu^2 \\
 &= \frac{\beta_1}{4\pi} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Λ_{QCD} ^{can be} is determined from $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$ and M_Z^2 .

$$\alpha_s(\mu) = \frac{4\pi}{\beta_1 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}}, \quad \beta_1 = 11 - \frac{2n_f}{3}, \quad (n_f \leq \mu)$$

Given a $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{(nf, \text{loop})}$, then α_s at all μ is determined!

Running α_s in QCD

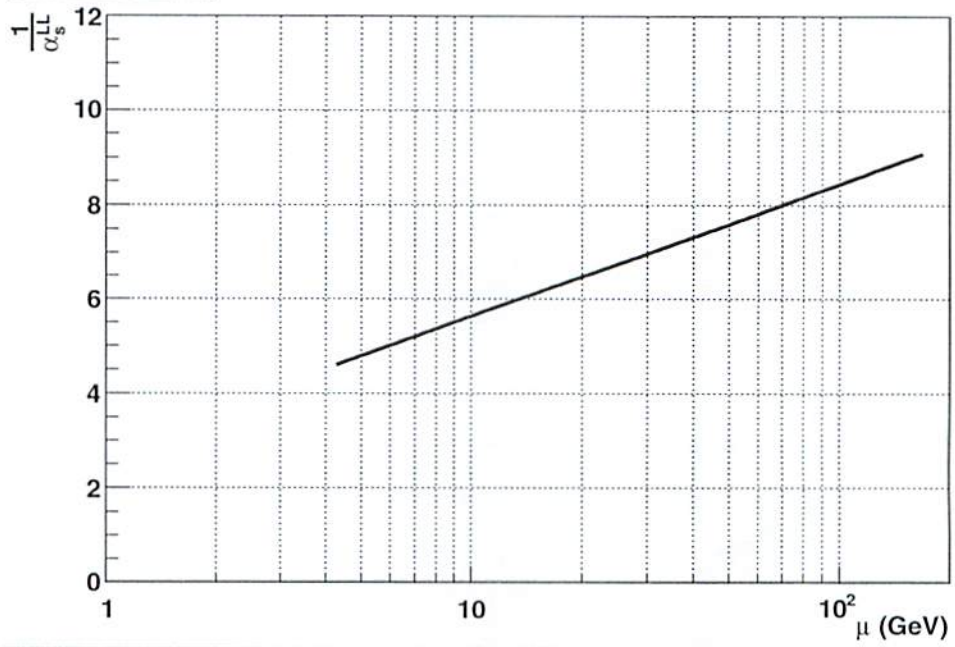
$$\beta_1 = 11 - \frac{2n_f}{3}$$

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.12$$

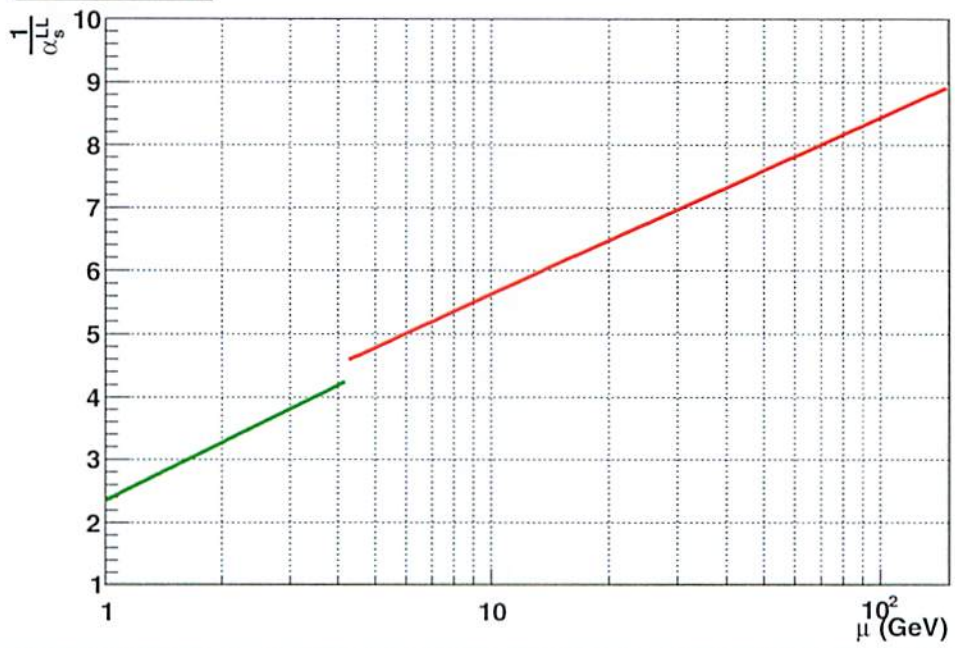
$$\Lambda_{QCD}(n_f = 5, \text{one-loop}) = 99 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Lambda_{QCD}(n_f = 4, \text{one-loop}) = 170 \text{ MeV}$$

α_s^{LL} running



α_s^{LL} running



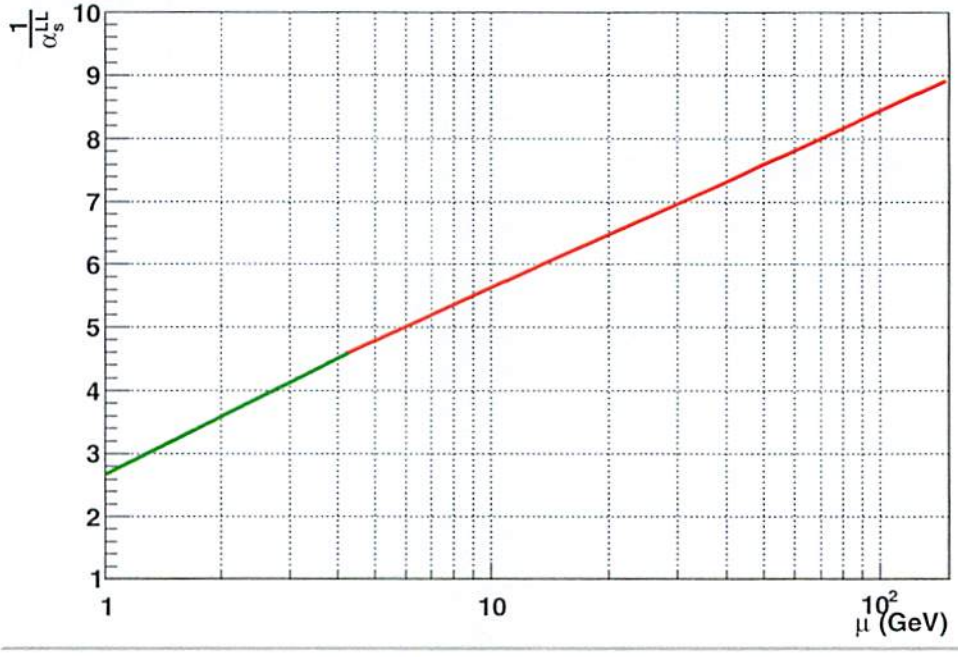
Matching at m_b

$$\Lambda^{(4)} = \Lambda(n_f = 5) \left(\frac{m_b}{\Lambda(n_f = 5)} \right)^{2/25}$$

$$m_b = 4.3 \text{ GeV} \quad (\text{MS} - \text{bar bottom quark mass})$$

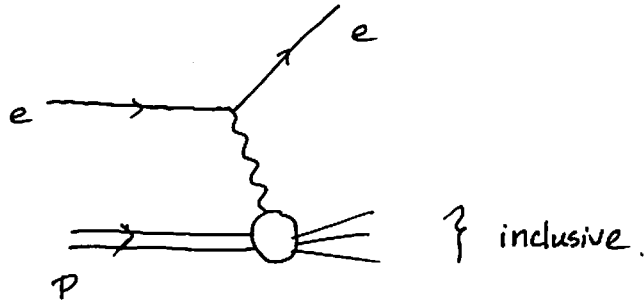
$$\Lambda^{(4)} = 134 \text{ MeV}$$

α_s^{LL} running



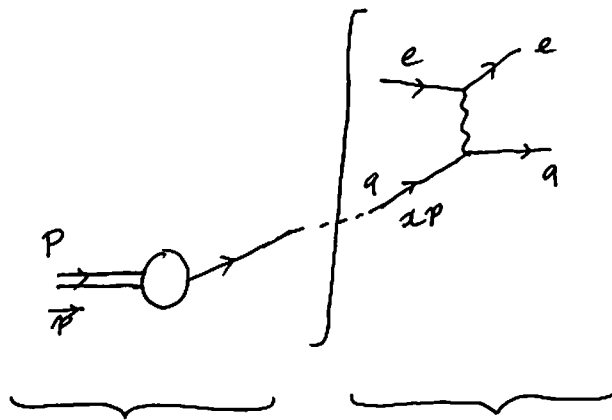
Factorization

DIS process :



Extract F_2 (structure function)

In parton model



long distance

short distance

↑
parton distribution
function

↑
calculated using theory

$f(x)$
(not calculable)

factorization !

$$F_2 = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{pdf}}}{\hat{f}} \otimes \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{hard part cross section}}}{\hat{\sigma}}$$

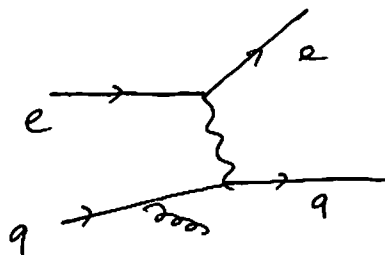
- Infrared Singularity in loop calculations

— Soft div. cancelled after including all diagram contributions.



KNL Theorem.

— Collinear div.



$m_q \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ Collinear div.

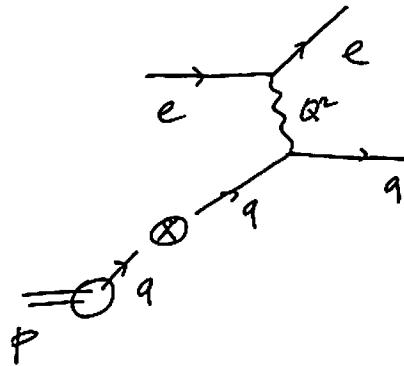
* Physical obs. has to be infrared finite !

\Rightarrow All the collinear div. from loop calculations has to disappear !

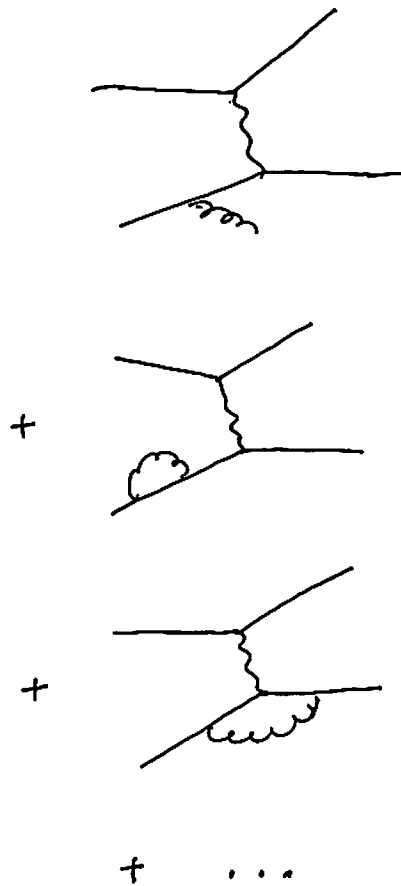
Need Factorization Theorem to show they can be absorbed into the "definition" of PDF.

— • Feynman Diagrams

* Tree level.



* Loop contribution to hard part :



Ultra. \rightarrow Cancel (Renormalization)

Soft \rightarrow Cancel (KLN)

Collinear \rightarrow left.

— • UV and IR divergences

* Scale μ to regularize Ultra and Infrared divergence

in dim. reg. :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mu = \mu_V & \text{for ultra div.} \\ \mu = \mu_I & \text{for Infrared div.} \end{array} \right.$$

* To regularize UV div. , use

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_V = 4 - n > 0$$

e.g. $\int \frac{d^n p}{(p^2 + m^2)^2}$

* To regularize IR div. , use

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_{IR} = n - 4$$

e.g. $\int \frac{d^n p}{(p^2)^2}$

* The hard part has

$$R_S(\mu) , \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} , \epsilon = \frac{2}{n-4}$$

dependence.

• $F_2(Q^2) = \hat{f} \otimes \hat{\sigma}(a_s(\mu), \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon)$

↑
Contain UV and IR div.

$= \hat{f} \otimes \hat{\sigma}(a_s(R^2), \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \frac{R^2}{\mu^2}, \epsilon)$

↑
 R^2 renorm. scale

↑
Only collinear div.

$R \frac{d a_s(R^2)}{d R} = \beta(a_s(R^2))$

$= \hat{f} \otimes \Gamma(a_s(R^2), \frac{M^2}{\mu^2}, \frac{M^2}{R^2}, \epsilon) \otimes C(a_s(R^2), \frac{Q^2}{M^2}, \frac{M^2}{R^2})$

↑
process independent

↑
Wilson Coeff.
process dependent

The residue term including pole $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$
is A-P splitting fun.

M : mass fact. scale.

$\hat{f}(a_s) \otimes C(a_s)$

↑
PDF at LL.

Usually, choose scale

$R = M = Q$

$Q \frac{d f_i}{d Q} = - P_{ij} \otimes f_j$

↑
A-P splitting

- Logs due to Collinear Singularity

$$- \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{Q^2} \right)^\epsilon \cdot \frac{1}{\epsilon} P_{qq}$$

$$= - \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{M^2} \frac{M^2}{Q^2} \right)^\epsilon \frac{1}{\epsilon} P_{qq}$$

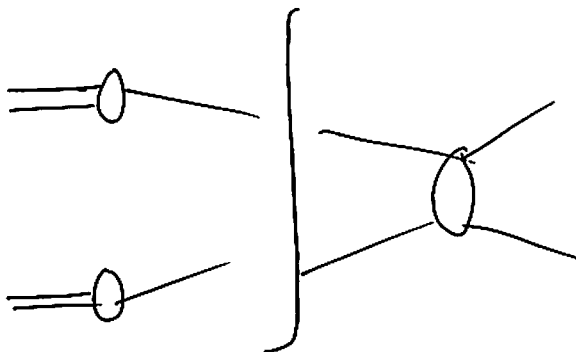
$$= - \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{M^2} \right)^\epsilon \cdot \frac{1}{\epsilon} P_{qq} - \ln \frac{M^2}{Q^2} \cdot P_{qq}$$

$$= \underbrace{- \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{M^2} \right)^\epsilon \frac{1}{\epsilon} P_{qq}}_{\text{part in } f} + \underbrace{\ln \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \cdot P_{qq}}_{\text{part in } C}$$

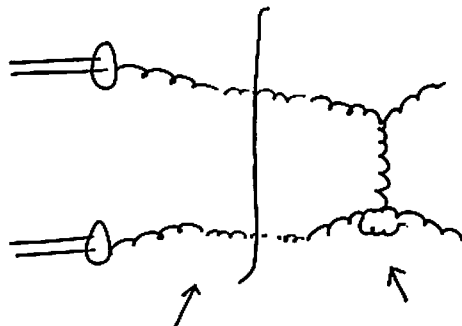
finite & process dependent

- Scale choice

— Hadron collider : 2-jet events.



e.g.



M
factorization
scale
↑

R
renormalization
scale
↑

$P_{gg} \alpha_s \ln\left(\frac{M^2}{Q^2}\right)$ from factorization

$\beta_1 \alpha_s \ln\left(\frac{R^2}{Q^2}\right)$

from running of α_s

— If calculate to all order in $2s$, the σ should be indep. of R & M .

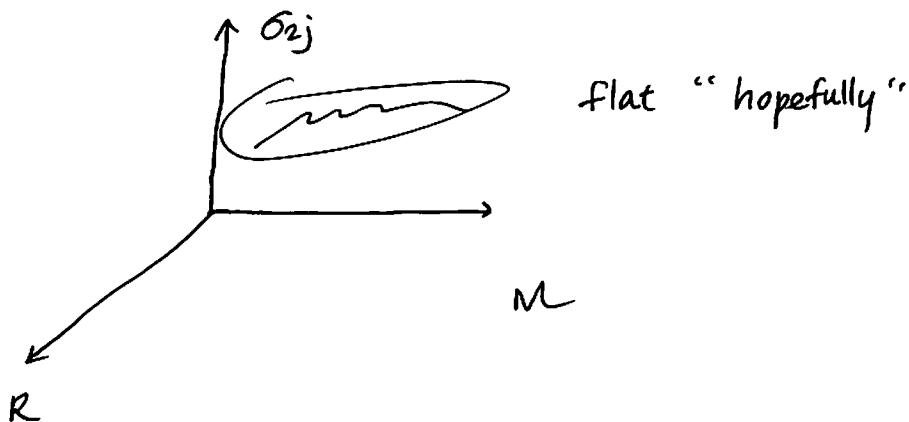
— If finite order calculation, we choose

$R = Q$ & $M = Q$ to "eliminate" possible large logs.

$\beta, \alpha_s \ln\left(\frac{R^2}{Q^2}\right)$ from running of $2s$

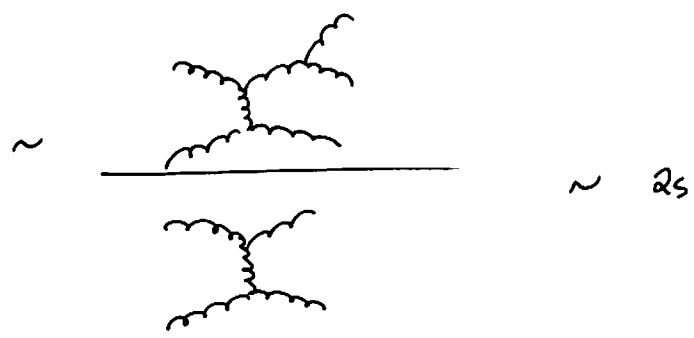
$P_{gg} 2s \ln\left(\frac{M^2}{Q^2}\right)$ from factorization

— In practice, we vary R & M to test (or estimate) higher order corrections.



— Define

$$K \equiv \frac{\text{event rate for } \geq 3 \text{ jets}}{\text{event rate for } \geq 2 \text{ jet}}$$



K has to be renormalization Group Invariant.

$$\Rightarrow \mu \frac{dK}{d\mu} = 0$$

— We only have $\sigma_{\geq 3 \text{ jet}}$ at tree level (i.e. no logs)

We should only use $\sigma_{\geq 2 \text{ jet}}$ at tree-level.

$$\frac{\sigma_{\geq 3 \text{ jets}}^{(2s(k))}}{\sigma_{\geq 2 \text{ jet}}^{(2s(k))}} = (\dots) 2s(k)$$

\Rightarrow Use LL results

$2s$, PDF, amplitude