

# The lattice computation of the TMD soft function using the auxiliary field representation of the Wilson line

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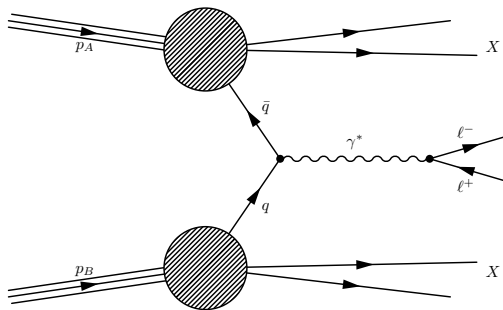
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Drell-Yan scattering

- invariant mass:  $Q$
- rapidity of lepton pair:  $Y$
- transverse momentum:  $\vec{q}_\perp$
- momentum fraction:  $x_a, x_b$
- rapidity scale:  $\nu$
- Collins-Soper (CS) scale:  $\zeta_a, \zeta_b$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQdYd^2\vec{q}_\perp} = \sum_{i,j} H_{ij}(Q, \mu) \int d^2\vec{b}_\perp e^{i\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} B_i \left( x_a, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, \frac{\zeta_a}{\nu^2} \right) B_j \left( x_b, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, \frac{\zeta_b}{\nu^2} \right) \times S_i(b_\perp, \mu, \nu) \left[ 1 + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{q_\perp^2}{Q^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{Q^2} \right) \right]$$

$$B_i(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, \zeta/\nu^2) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} Z_B^i(b_\perp, \mu, \nu, \epsilon, \tau, xP^+) \frac{B_i^{0(u)}(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \epsilon, \tau, xP^+)}{S_i^{0(\text{subt})}(b_\perp, \epsilon, \tau)}$$

$$S_i(b_\perp, \mu, \nu) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} Z_S^i(b_\perp, \mu, \nu, \epsilon, \tau) S_i^0(b_\perp, \epsilon, \tau),$$

$$f_i(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, \zeta) = \lim_{\substack{\epsilon \rightarrow 0 \\ \tau \rightarrow 0}} Z_{UV}^i(\mu, \epsilon, \zeta) B_i^{0(u)}(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \epsilon, \tau, xP^+) \frac{\sqrt{S_i^0(b_\perp, \epsilon, \tau)}}{S_i^{0(\text{subt})}(b_\perp, \epsilon, \tau)},$$

- Subtract possible double counting with  $S_i^{0(\text{subt})}$
- TMDPDF independent of  $\nu$
- TMDPDF depends on CS scale,  $\zeta$

$$B_i^{0(u)}(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \epsilon, \tau, xP^+) = \int \frac{db^-}{2\pi} e^{-ib^-(xP^+)} \langle P | \left[ \bar{\psi}_i^0(b^-, \vec{b}_\perp) W_{\bar{n}}(b^-, \vec{b}_\perp; -\infty, 0) \right. \\ \left. \times W_\perp(-\infty \bar{n}; 0, b_\perp) W_{\bar{n}}(0; 0, -\infty) \frac{\gamma^+}{2} \psi_i^0(0) \right]_\tau | P \rangle$$

$$S^0(b_\perp, \epsilon, \tau) = \frac{1}{N_c} \langle 0 | [W_n(b_\perp; 0, -\infty) W_{\bar{n}}(b_\perp; -\infty, 0) W_\perp(-\infty \bar{n}; 0, b_\perp) \\ \times W_{\bar{n}}(0; 0, -\infty) W_n(0; -\infty, 0) W_\perp(-\infty n; b_\perp, 0)]_\tau | 0 \rangle$$

$$W_n(x; a, b) = P \exp \left\{ -ig_0 \int_a^b ds n^\mu A_\mu^{c0}(x + sn) t^c \right\}$$

$$n = (1, 0, 0, 1), \quad \bar{n} = (1, 0, 0, -1)$$

Naive soft function:

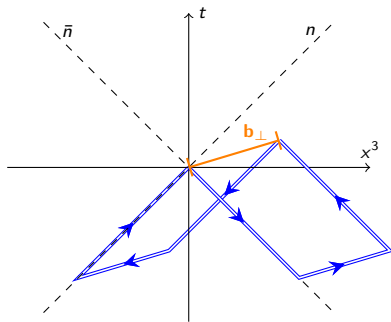
$$\begin{aligned}
 S(b_{\perp}, \epsilon) &= \frac{1}{N_c} \langle 0 | \text{Tr} S_n^{\dagger}(\vec{b}_{\perp}) S_{\bar{n}}(\vec{b}_{\perp}) S_{\perp}(-\infty \bar{n}; \vec{b}_{\perp}, \vec{0}_{\perp}) S_{\bar{n}}^{\dagger}(\vec{0}_{\perp}) S_n(\vec{0}_{\perp}) S_{\perp}^{\dagger}(-\infty n; \vec{b}_{\perp}, \vec{0}_{\perp}) | 0 \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

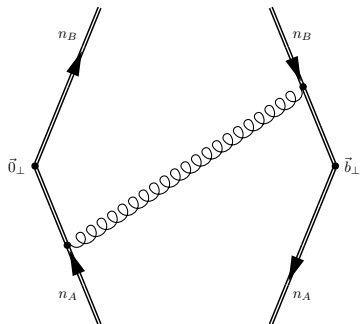
Soft Wilson line:

$$S_n(x) = P \exp \left\{ -ig \int_{-\infty}^0 ds n^{\mu} A_{\mu}(x + sn) \right\}$$

Lightlike vectors:

$$\begin{aligned}
 n &= (1, 0, 0, 1), & \bar{n} &= (1, 0, 0, -1) \\
 n^2 &= 0, & \bar{n}^2 &= 0, & n \cdot \bar{n} &= 2
 \end{aligned}$$





Rapidity divergence:

$$\int \frac{dk^+ dk^-}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{1}{k^+ k^- - k_\perp^2 + i0} \frac{1}{n \cdot k - i0} \frac{1}{\bar{n} \cdot k + i0}$$

$$= \int \frac{d\alpha}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{1}{\alpha - k_\perp^2 + i0} \frac{1}{\alpha - i0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy$$

$$k^- = n \cdot k, \quad k^+ = \bar{n} \cdot k, \quad k^\pm = k^0 \pm k^3$$

$$\alpha = k^+ k^-, \quad y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{k^-}{k^+} \right)$$

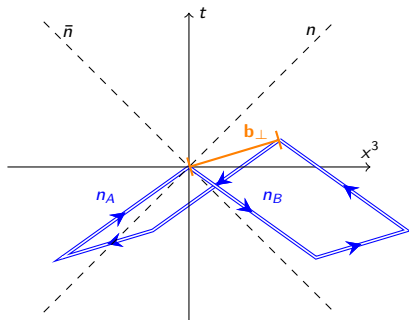
Divergence associated with rapidity

$$y \rightarrow \pm\infty$$

Spacelike Wilson lines:

$$n_A \equiv n - e^{-y_A} \bar{n},$$

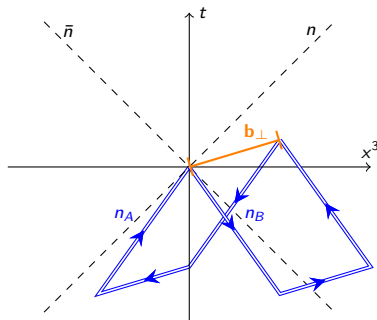
$$n_B \equiv \bar{n} - e^{+y_B} n$$



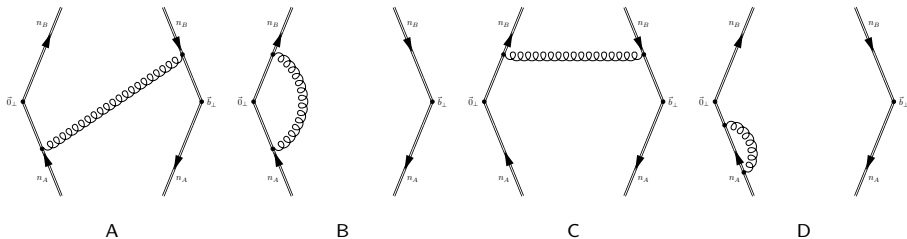
Timelike Wilson lines:

$$n_A \equiv n + e^{-y_A} \bar{n},$$

$$n_B \equiv \bar{n} + e^{+y_B} n$$



# One loop result in Minkowski space



With space-like regulator, Collins scheme [Collins, 2011]

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_A(b_\perp, \epsilon, y_A, y_B) &= g^2 C_F (n_A \cdot n_B) \mu_0^{2\epsilon} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{e^{-i\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{k}_\perp}}{k^2 + i0} \frac{1}{n_A \cdot k - i0} \frac{1}{n_B \cdot k + i0} \\
 &= \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} (y_A - y_B) \frac{1 + e^{2(y_B - y_A)}}{1 - e^{2(y_B - y_A)}} \left( -\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \ln(\pi b_\perp^2 \mu_0^2 e^{\gamma_E}) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

One loop result:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S(b_\perp, \epsilon, y_A, y_B) \\
 &= 1 + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \ln(\pi b_\perp^2 \mu_0^2 e^{\gamma_E}) \right) \left\{ 2 - 2|y_A - y_B| \frac{1 + e^{2(y_B - y_A)}}{1 - e^{2(y_B - y_A)}} \right\} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)
 \end{aligned}$$



$$f_i(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, \zeta) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} Z_{UV}^i(\mu, \epsilon, \zeta) \lim_{\substack{y_A \rightarrow +\infty \\ y_B \rightarrow -\infty}} B_i(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \epsilon, y_B, xP^+) \\ \times \sqrt{\frac{S_i(b_\perp, \epsilon, y_A - y_n)}{S_i(b_\perp, \epsilon, y_A - y_B) S_i(b_\perp, \epsilon, y_n - y_B)}}$$

- Collins-Soper scale:  $\zeta = 2(xP^+)^2 e^{-2y_n}$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ dY d^2\vec{q}_\perp} = \sum_{i,j} H_{ij}(Q, \mu) \int d^2\vec{b}_\perp e^{i\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} f_i(x_a, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, \zeta_a) f_j(x_b, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, \zeta_b) \\ \times \left[ 1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{q_\perp^2}{Q^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{Q^2}\right) \right]$$

- $\zeta_a \zeta_b = 2(x_a P^+)^2 e^{-2y_n} 2(x_b P^-)^2 e^{2y_n} = Q^4$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_\mu^q(\mu, \zeta) &= \frac{df_q(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, \zeta)}{d \log \mu} \\ &= \frac{d \log B_q(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, y_P - y_B)}{d \log \mu} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{d \log S_q(b_\perp, \mu, y_n - y_B)}{d \log \mu}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_\zeta^q(\mu, b_\perp) &= 2 \frac{df_q(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, \zeta)}{d \log \zeta} = \frac{d \log B_q(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, y_P - y_B)}{dy_P} \\ &= \frac{d \log S_q(b_\perp, \mu, y_n - y_B)}{dy_n}\end{aligned}$$

- $\gamma_\zeta^q$  is the Collins-Soper kernel
- Lattice extraction of soft function would allow for a calculation of the CS kernel

$$\tilde{f}_q(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu\tilde{\zeta}, x\tilde{P}^z) = C_q(x\tilde{P}^z, \mu) \exp\left[\frac{1}{2}\gamma_\zeta^q(\mu, b_\perp) \log \frac{\tilde{\zeta}}{\zeta}\right] f_q(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu, \zeta) \\ \times \left\{ 1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{(x\tilde{P}^z b_\perp)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{(x\tilde{P}^z)^2}\right) \right\}$$

[Ebert, *et. al.*, 2019], [Ebert, *et. al.*, 2022]

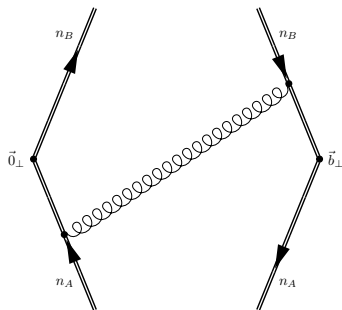
- $C_q$  is a perturbatively calculable matching kernel
- $\tilde{\zeta} = x^2 m_h^2 e^{2(y_{\tilde{P}} + y_B - y_n)}$

quasi-TMDPDF

$$\tilde{f}_q(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu\tilde{\zeta}, x\tilde{P}^z) = \tilde{f}_q^{\text{naive}}(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \mu\tilde{\zeta}, x\tilde{P}^z) \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{S}_q^{\text{naive}}(b_\perp, \mu)}{S_q(b_\perp, \mu, 2y_n, 2y_B)}}$$

- $\tilde{f}_q^{\text{naive}}$  and  $\tilde{S}_q^{\text{naive}}$  are lattice calculable objects
- $S_q$  is the Collins soft function

An extraction of the TMDPDF was performed by the Lattice Parton Collaboration (LPC) using a different method to obtain the soft function. [He, *et. al.*, 2022]



Define Euclidean space Wilson line directions as:

$$\tilde{n}_A = (in_A^0, \vec{0}_\perp, n_A^3), \quad \tilde{n}_B = (in_B^0, \vec{0}_\perp, -n_B^3)$$

$$r_a \equiv \frac{n_A^3}{n_A^0}, \quad r_b \equiv \frac{n_B^3}{n_B^0}$$

$$S_A^E(b_\perp, \epsilon, r_a, r_b) = g^2 C_F (\tilde{n}_A \cdot \tilde{n}_B) \int_{-\infty}^0 ds \int_{-\infty}^0 dt \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} e^{-ik(b + s\tilde{n}_A - t\tilde{n}_B)} \frac{1}{k^2}$$

Naively try to write down Wilson line propagators:

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 ds e^{sn_A^0 k_4 - in_A^3 k_3} = \frac{e^{sn_A^0 k_4 - in_A^3 k_3}}{n_A^0 k_4 - in_A^3 k_3} \Bigg|_{s=-\infty}^0 \xrightarrow{k_4 < 0} \infty$$

Perform integration in coordinate space:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} e^{-ik(b+s\tilde{n}_A-t\tilde{n}_B)} \frac{1}{k^2} &= \int_0^\infty du \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} e^{-uk^2} e^{-(b+s\tilde{n}_A-t\tilde{n}_B)^2/4u} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(d/2-1)}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} \frac{1}{((b+s\tilde{n}_A-t\tilde{n}_B)^2/4)^{d/2-1}} \end{aligned}$$

'u' integral only valid for

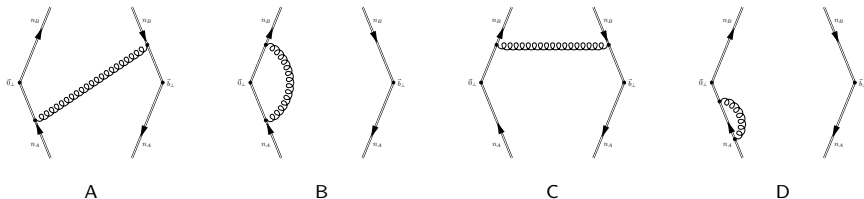
$$(s\tilde{n}_A - t\tilde{n}_B)^2 = s^2((n_A^3)^2 - (n_A^0)^2) + t^2((n_B^3)^2 - (n_B^0)^2) + st(n_A^3 n_B^3 + n_A^0 n_B^0) > 0$$

Euclidean space integral only finite when:

$$|n_A^3| > |n_A^0|, \quad |n_B^3| > |n_B^0|, \quad n_A^3 n_B^3 + n_A^0 n_B^0 > 0$$

$$\rightarrow |r_a| > 1, \quad |r_b| > 1, \quad n_A^0 n_B^0 (r_a r_b + 1) > 0$$

# Soft function in Euclidean space at one loop



Calculation in coordinate space at one loop ( $|r_a| > 1, |r_b| > 1$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}
 & S^{(1)}(b_{\perp}, \epsilon, r_a, r_b) \\
 &= \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \ln(\pi b_{\perp}^2 \mu_0^2 e^{\gamma_E}) \right) \left\{ 2 + \log \left| \frac{(r_a - 1)(r_b - 1)}{(r_a + 1)(r_b + 1)} \right| \frac{r_a r_b + 1}{r_a + r_b} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Time-like:  $n_A = \left(1 + e^{-2y_A}, \vec{0}_\perp, 1 - e^{-2y_A}\right)$ ,  $n_B = \left(1 + e^{2y_B}, \vec{0}_\perp, -1 + e^{2y_B}\right)$

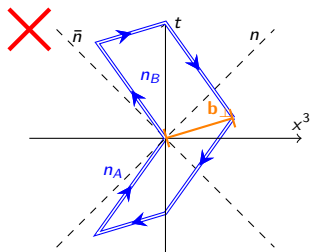
$$r_a = \frac{1 - e^{-2y_A}}{1 + e^{-2y_A}}, \quad r_b = \frac{1 - e^{2y_B}}{1 + e^{2y_B}}, \quad |r_a|, |r_b| < 1 \quad \text{fails}$$

Space-like:  $n_A = \left(1 - e^{-2y_A}, \vec{0}_\perp, 1 + e^{-2y_A}\right)$ ,  $n_B = \left(1 - e^{2y_B}, \vec{0}_\perp, -1 - e^{2y_B}\right)$

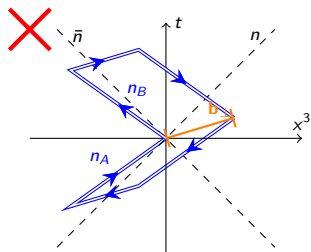
$$r_a = \frac{1 + e^{-2y_A}}{1 - e^{-2y_A}}, \quad r_b = \frac{1 + e^{2y_B}}{1 - e^{2y_B}}, \quad |r_a|, |r_b| > 1 \quad \text{succeeds}$$

$$S^{(1)}(b_\perp, \epsilon, r_a, r_b) = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \ln(\pi b_\perp^2 \mu_0^2 e^{\gamma_E}) \right) \left\{ 2 - 2|y_A - y_B| \frac{1 + e^{2(y_B - y_A)}}{1 - e^{2(y_B - y_A)}} \right\}$$

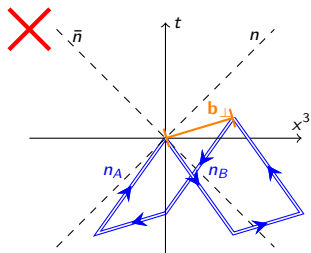
# Wilson line directions



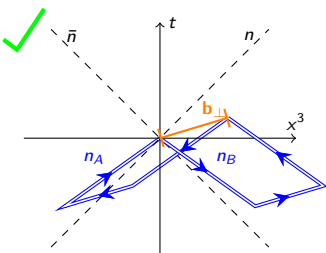
$$|r_a| < 1, \quad |r_b| < 1, \quad n_A^0 n_B^0 (r_a r_b + 1) < 0$$



$$|r_a| > 1, \quad |r_b| > 1, \quad n_A^0 n_B^0 (r_a r_b + 1) < 0$$



$$|r_a| < 1, \quad |r_b| < 1, \quad n_A^0 n_B^0 (r_a r_b + 1) > 0$$



$$|r_a| > 1, \quad |r_b| > 1, \quad n_A^0 n_B^0 (r_a r_b + 1) > 0$$



For  $L \rightarrow \infty$  and  $r_a, r_b \rightarrow 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 S(b_{\perp}, a, r_a, r_b, L) = & 1 + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left( 2 + \frac{(r_a r_b + 1)}{(r_a + r_b)} \log \left( \frac{(r_a - 1)(r_b - 1)}{(r_a + 1)(r_b + 1)} \right) \right) \log \left( \frac{b_{\perp}^2}{a^2} \right) \\
 & + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left\{ -4 \log \left( \frac{b_{\perp}^2}{a^2} \right) + 2 \frac{\pi b_{\perp}}{a} + 2 \frac{\pi L}{b_{\perp}} - 2 \frac{\pi L}{a} \right. \\
 & \left. + 2 \frac{b_{\perp}^2}{L^2} \left( C_1 - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right\} + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{b_{\perp}^4}{L^4}, \alpha_s^2 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$C_1 = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{b_0^2 (r_b^2 - 1)} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{a_0^2 (r_a^2 - 1)} \implies \frac{b_{\perp}^2}{L^2} \ll r_{a,b} - 1$$

- Incorrect  $b_{\perp}$  dependence
- Linear divergence in  $L$
- Power corrections are limited by  $r_{a,b}$

$$\begin{aligned}
& S_{\text{ratio}}(b_{\perp}, a, r_a, r_b, L) \\
&= \frac{S(b_{\perp}, a, r_a, r_b, L)}{\sqrt{S(b_{\perp}, a, r_a, -r_a, L) S(b_{\perp}, a, -r_b, r_b, L)}} \quad [\text{Ji, Liu, Liu 2020}] \\
&= 1 + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left( 2 + \frac{(r_a r_b + 1)}{(r_a + r_b)} \log \left( \frac{(r_a - 1)(r_b - 1)}{(r_a + 1)(r_b + 1)} \right) \right) \log \left( \frac{b_{\perp}^2}{a^2} \right) \\
&\quad + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{b_{\perp}^4}{L^4}, \alpha_s^2 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

- Recover correct  $b_{\perp}$  dependence
- Linear divergence removed
- Power corrections now start at  $b_{\perp}^4/L^4$
- Approaches the soft function at  $L \rightarrow \infty$

Write Wilson line in terms of one dimensional 'fermions' that live along the path:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P \exp \left\{ -ig \int_{s_i}^{s_f} ds n^\mu A_\mu(y(s)) \right\} \\
 &= Z_\psi^{-1} \int \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \psi \bar{\psi} \exp \left\{ ig \int_{s_i}^{s_f} ds \bar{\psi} i \partial_s \psi - \bar{\psi} n \cdot A \psi \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

[Gervais, Neveu 1980], [Aref'eva 1980]

Auxiliary field propagator:

$$in \cdot DH_n(y) = i\delta^{(4)}(y) \xrightarrow{\text{Euclidean space}} i\tilde{n} \cdot D_E H_{\tilde{n}}(y_E) = \delta^{(4)}(y_E), \quad \tilde{n} = (in_0, \vec{n})$$

$$i\vec{n} \cdot D_E H_{\vec{n}}(y_E) = \delta^{(4)}(y_E)$$

- Meaningful solution only obtained with a UV cutoff [Aglietti, *et. al.* 1992], [Aglietti, 1994]
- Use lattice as UV cutoff and construct discretized solution to equation of motions [Mandula, Ogilvie, 1992]

$$n_0 [U(x, x + \hat{t})G(x + \hat{t}, y) - G(x, y)] + \sum_{\mu=1}^3 \frac{-in_{\mu}}{2} [U(x, x + \hat{\mu})G(x + \hat{\mu}, y) - U(x, x - \hat{\mu})G(x - \hat{\mu}, y)] = \delta(x, y)$$

- Time independent object should be finite after removing the UV cutoff, i.e. zero lattice spacing
- Ratio with vanishing  $L$  dependence will approach Euclidean time independence on the lattice for large Euclidean time

- Euclidean space calculation of soft function can be analytically continued to Minkowski space result.
- Continuation only valid for space-like Wilson lines that are both future pointing or both past pointing.
- $S_{\text{ratio}}$  should give correct rapidity and  $b_{\perp}$  dependence and cancel linear divergence in  $L$
- $S_{\text{ratio}}$  on the lattice should give a time independent object and cancel the UV divergence associated with the Euclidean auxiliary propagator
- Numerical implementation on the lattice in progress

# Thank you!

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