

Spectral analysis of the gauge invariant quark propagator

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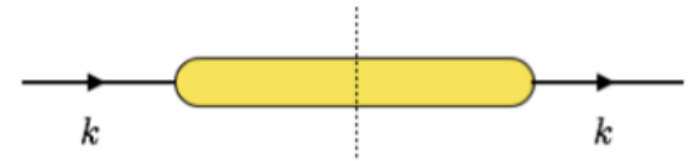
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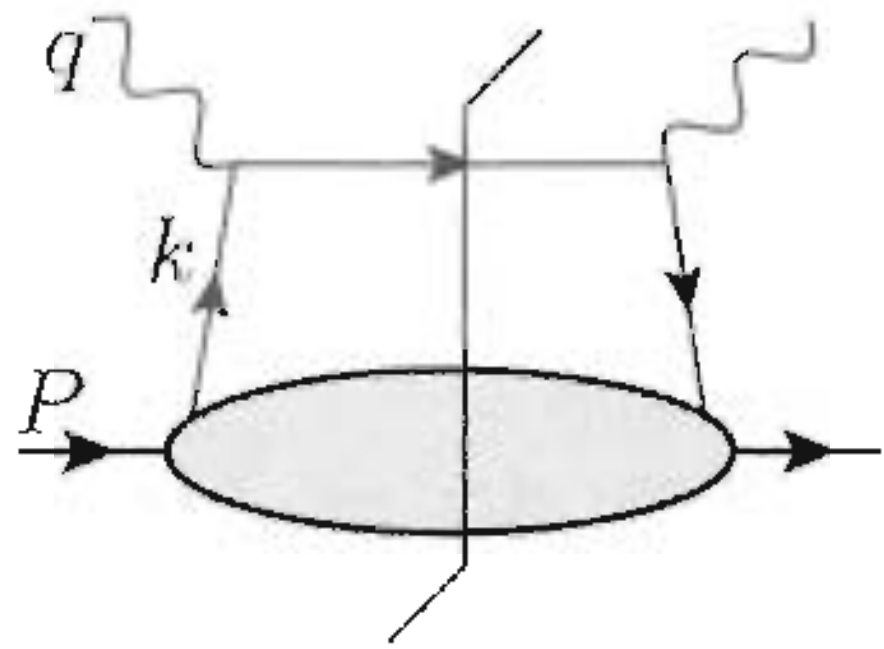
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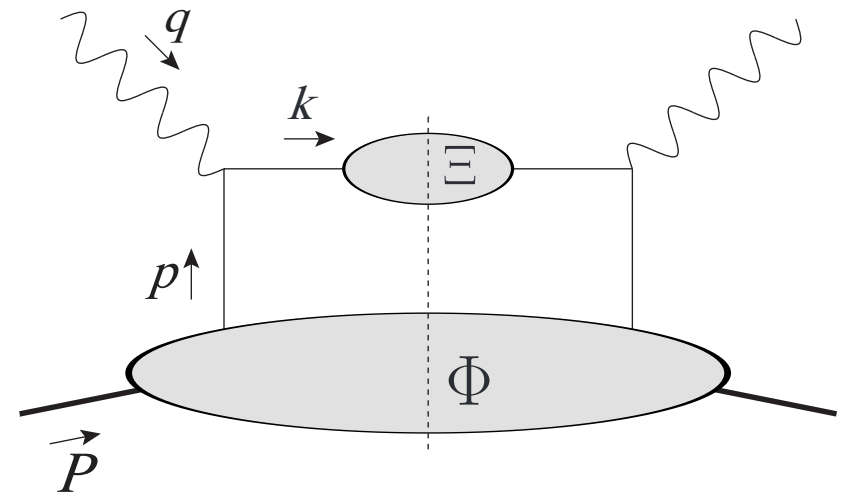
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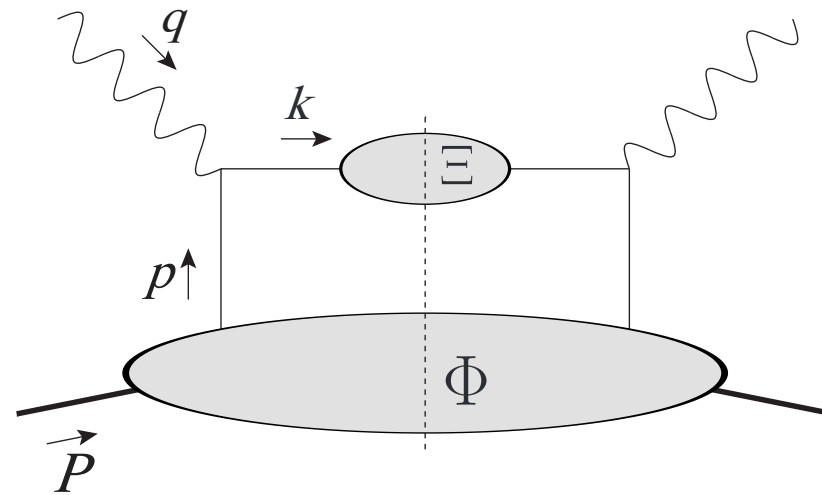
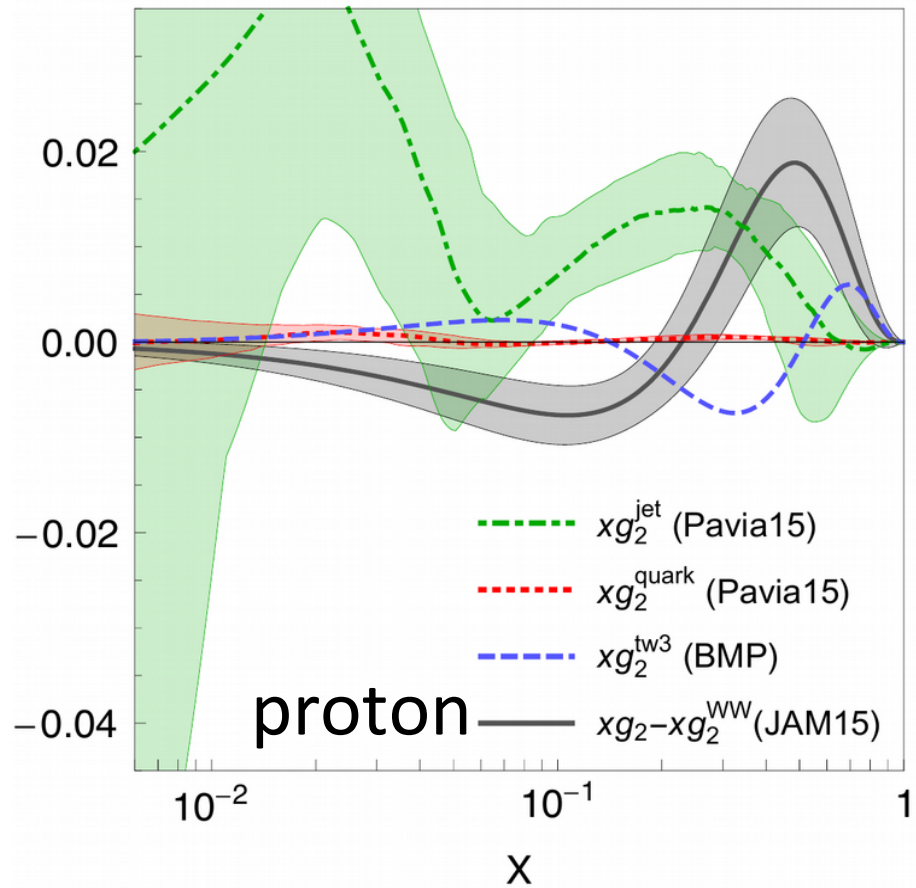
Nonperturbative: Gauge invariant quark propagator/jet correlator



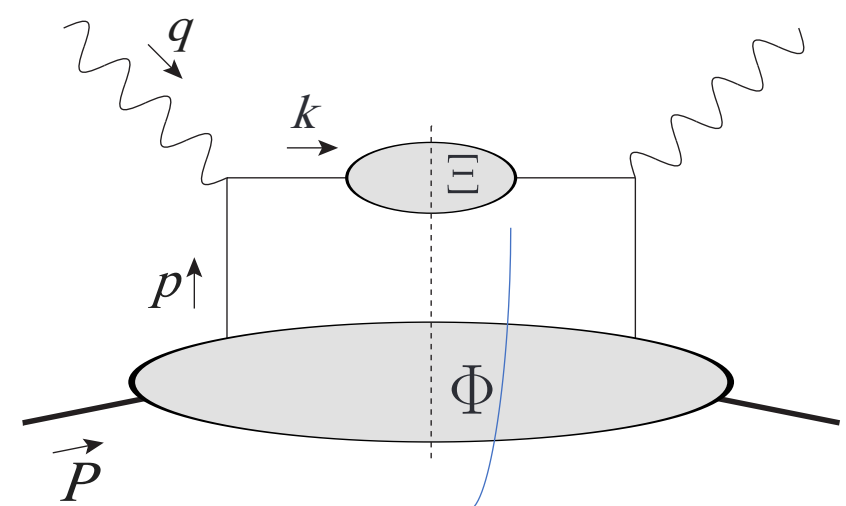
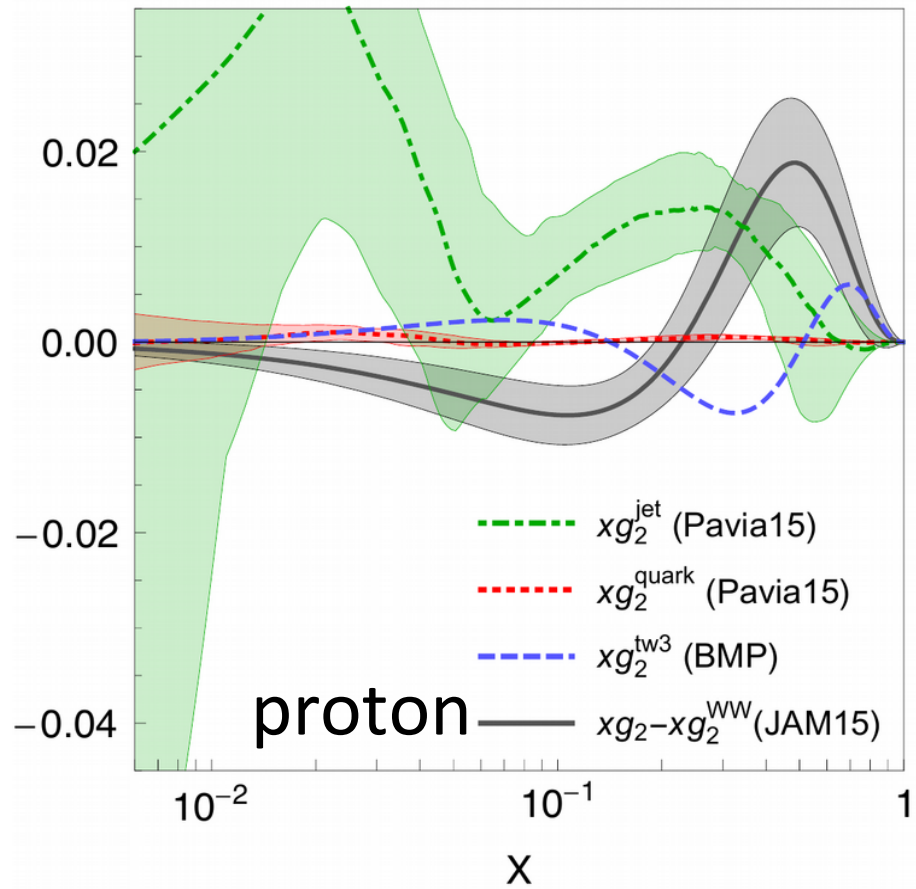
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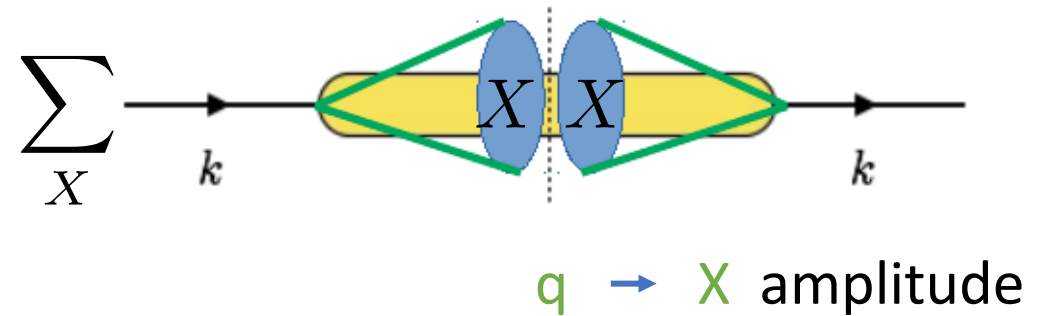
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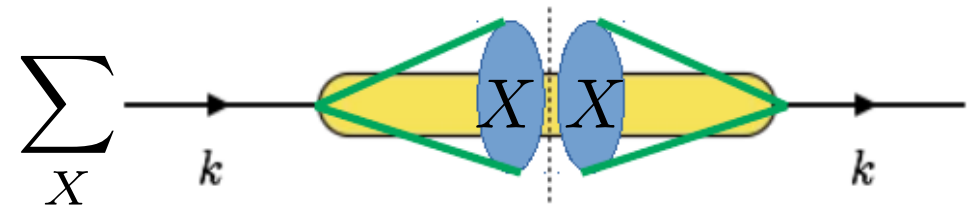
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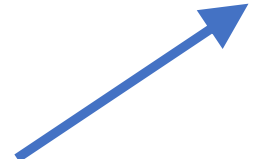
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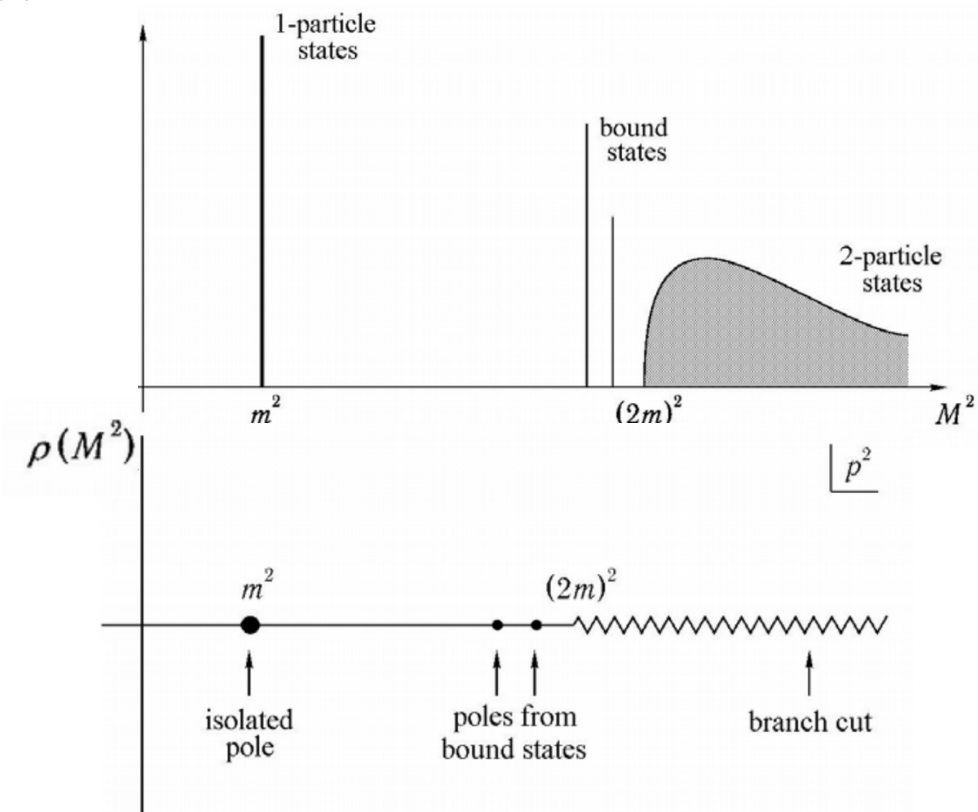


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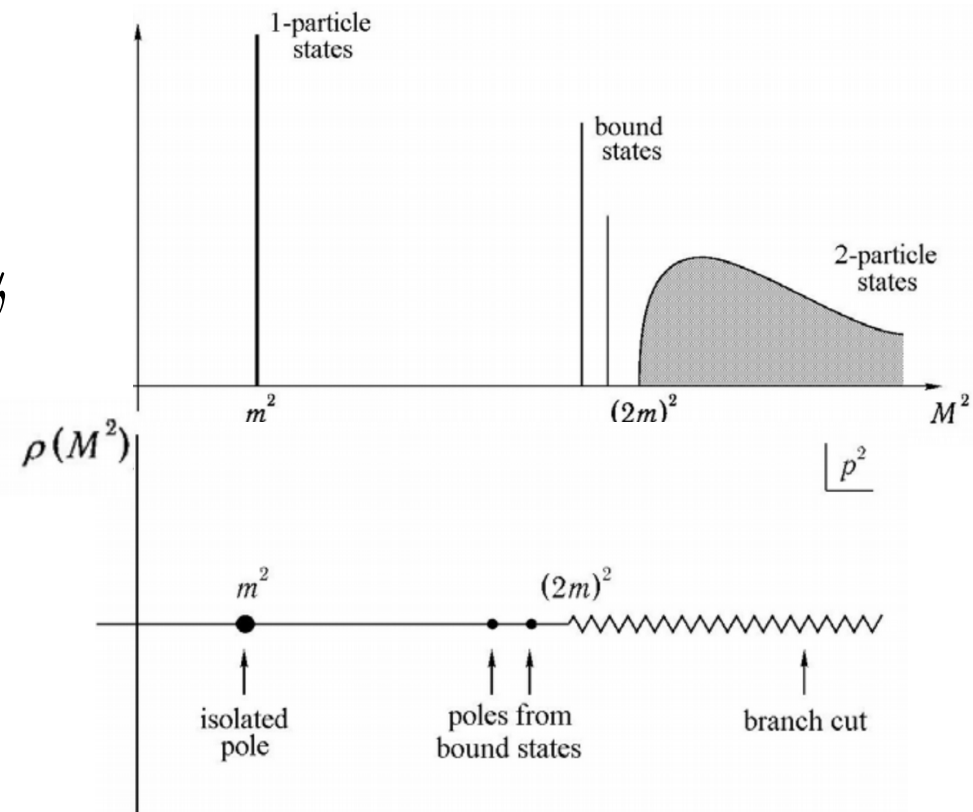
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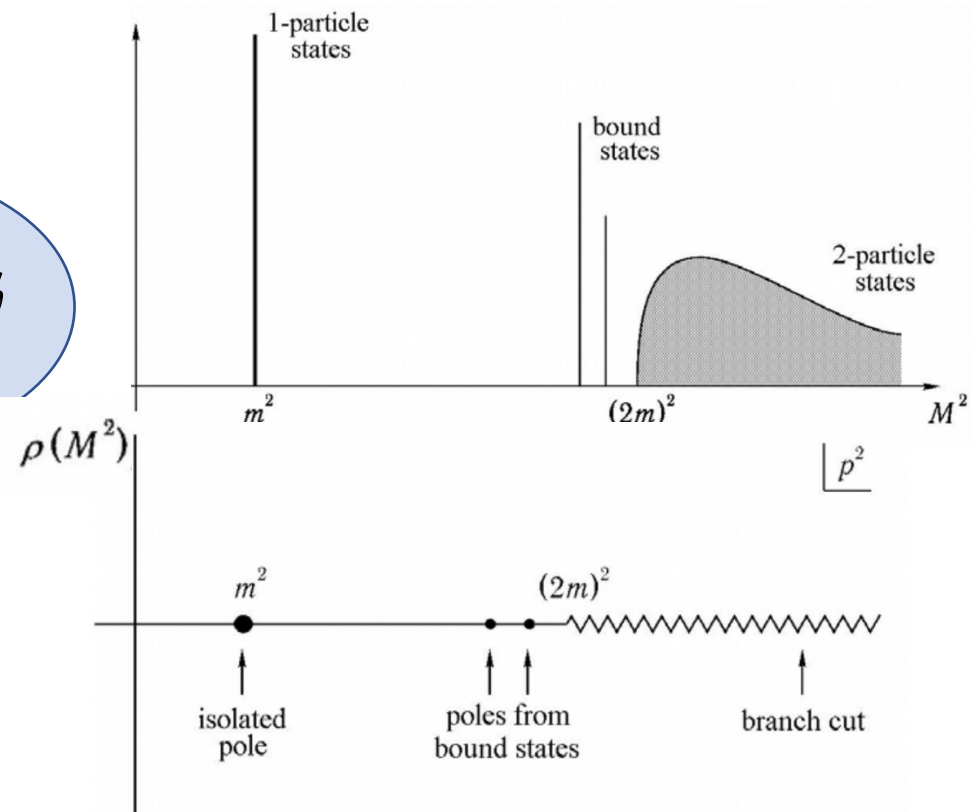
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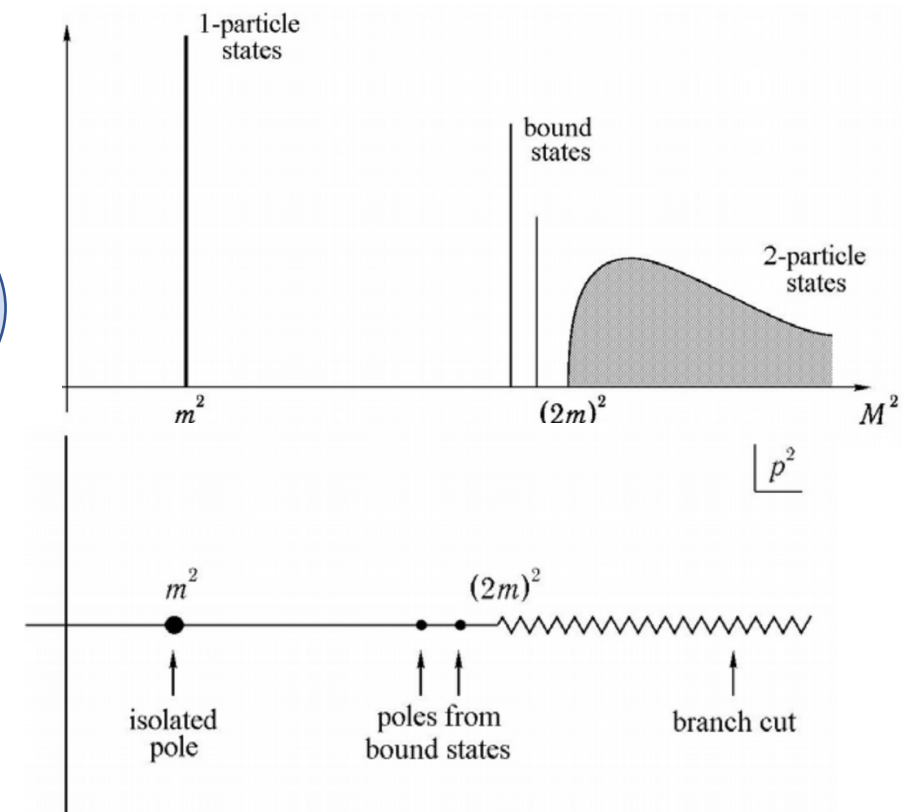
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Integrated g.i. quark propagator

- Boost quark at large light-cone momentum:

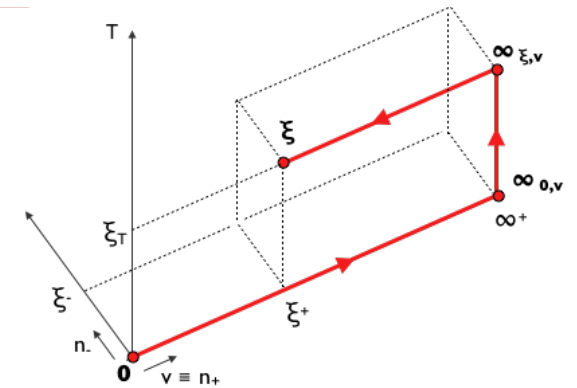
$$k^- \gg |\mathbf{k}_\perp| \gg k^+$$

Integrate out the suppressed component of the quark momentum:

$$J_{ij}(k^-, \vec{k}_\perp; n_+) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \int dk^+ \Xi_{ij}(k; n_+)$$

$$w = n^+$$

- Generalizes the perturbative quark propagator that appears in inclusive and semi-inclusive DIS



$$W_{\text{TMD}}(\xi^+, \xi_\perp) = \mathcal{U}_{n_+}[0^-, 0^+, \mathbf{0}_\perp; 0^-, \infty^+, \mathbf{0}_\perp] \mathcal{U}_{n_\perp}[0^-, \infty^+, \mathbf{0}_\perp; 0^-, \infty^+, \xi_\perp] \mathcal{U}_{n_+}[0^-, \infty^+, \xi_\perp; 0^-, \xi^+, \xi_\perp]$$

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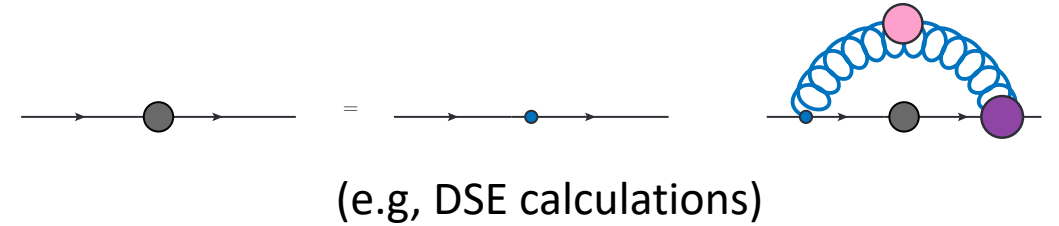
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Experimentally accessible in double spin asymmetry measurements!

(table from Satvir Kaur's talk yesterday)

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Summary

- ❑ Completed the analysis of the gauge invariant quark propagator
- ❑ Full calculation of the twist-4 coefficient
- ❑ Formal demonstration of the gauge invariance of the twist-2, twist-3 and twist-4 coefficients of the g.i. quark propagator/jet correlator
 - New sum rules (needed: numerical checks)

Summary

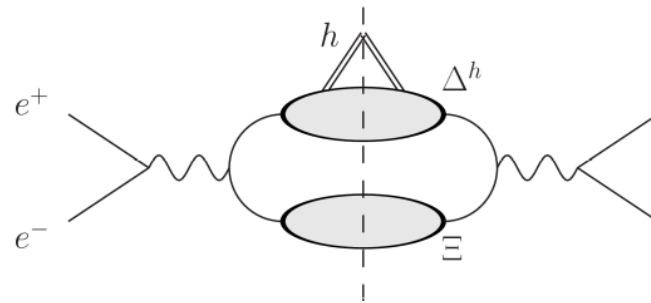
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