

Gluon imaging by lepton-pair azimuthal modulation in time-like Compton scattering at small- x

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- The small- x gluon tomography from DVCS is already studied in [Hatta, Xiao, Yuan, 2017](#) using dipole model.

Gluon Tomography from Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering at Small- x

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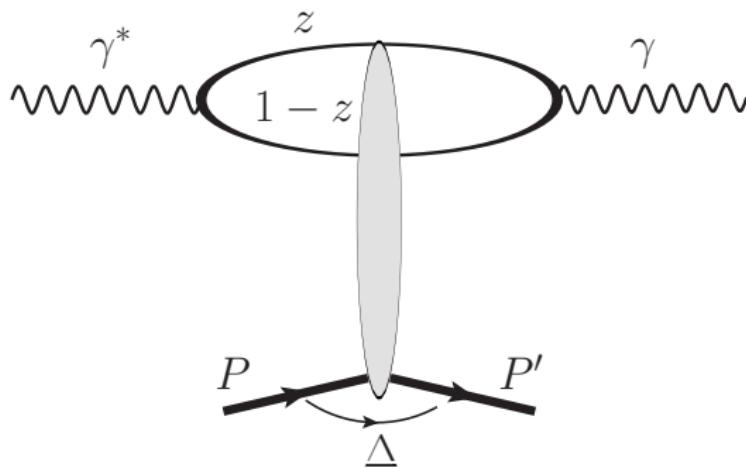


图: DVCS in dipole framework of small- x

Motivation

- The information of small- x proton is encoded in S-matrix

$$S_x(b_\perp + (1-z)r_\perp, b_\perp - zr_\perp) \equiv \left\langle \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr} \left[U(b_\perp + (1-z)r_\perp) U^\dagger(b_\perp - zr_\perp) \right] \right\rangle_x$$

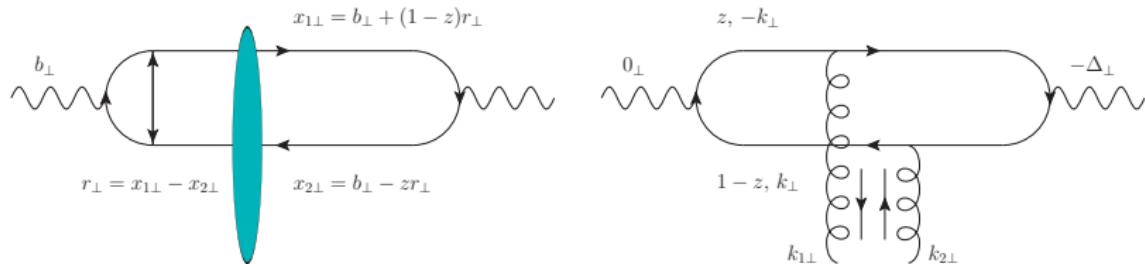


图: DVCS in transverse coordinate and momentum space

- Phenomenologically, we have the Golec-Biernat-Wüsthoff model inspired parametrization as in [Mäntysaari, Roy, Salazar, Schenke 2021](#)

$$S_x(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp) = \exp \left[-\frac{\mathbf{r}_\perp^2 Q_{s0}^2}{4} e^{-\mathbf{b}_\perp^2/(2B)} C_\phi(\mathbf{r}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp) \right],$$

Motivation

We can do Fourier transformation to S-matrix.

$$\text{S-matrix} \quad S(b_\perp + (1 - z)r_\perp, b_\perp - zr_\perp)$$

$$\downarrow r_\perp$$

$$\text{Wigner distribution} \quad W(k_\perp, b_\perp)$$

$$\swarrow b_\perp \qquad \searrow \int dk_\perp$$

$$\text{GTMD} \quad F(k_\perp, \Delta_\perp) \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{GPD} \quad H_g(b_\perp), E_{Tg}(b_\perp), \text{etc.}$$

$$F_x(k_\perp, \Delta_\perp) = F_0(|k_\perp|, |\Delta_\perp|) + 2 \cos 2(\phi_{k_\perp} - \phi_{\Delta_\perp}) F_\epsilon(|k_\perp|, |\Delta_\perp|) + \dots,$$

the collinear limit can relate GTMDs to GPDs. The red term is the “elliptic” gluon distribution.

Motivation

- Calculating the cross section, we find (neglecting the Bethe-Heitler contribution)

$$\frac{d\sigma(ep \rightarrow e' \gamma p')}{dx_B dQ^2 d^2 \Delta_\perp} = \frac{\alpha_{em}^3}{\pi x_{Bj} Q^2} \left\{ \left(1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2}\right) (\mathcal{A}_0^2 + \mathcal{A}_2^2) + 2(1-y)\mathcal{A}_0\mathcal{A}_2 \cos(2\phi_{\Delta I}) \right. \\ \left. + (2-y)\sqrt{1-y}(\mathcal{A}_0 + \mathcal{A}_2)\mathcal{A}_L \cos \phi_{\Delta I} + (1-y)\mathcal{A}_L^2 \right\},$$

where \mathcal{A}_0 and \mathcal{A}_2 are helicity conserved and helicity-flip amplitudes proposed by Ji-Hoodbhoy,

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda} \mathcal{A}_T^{\lambda=\lambda'}(\Delta_\perp) = \mathcal{A}_0, \quad \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda} \mathcal{A}_T^{\lambda \neq \lambda'}(\Delta_\perp) = -\mathcal{A}_2 \cos 2\phi_{\Delta_\perp},$$

with

$$\mathcal{A}_T^{\lambda,\lambda'}(\Delta_\perp) = 2 \int d^2 b_\perp e^{ib_\perp \cdot \Delta_\perp} N_c \sum_q \int d^2 r_\perp \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{4\pi} \Psi_{\gamma^*}^\lambda(z, r_\perp) \Psi_{\gamma}^{\lambda'*}(z, r_\perp) \\ \times (1 - S(b_\perp + (1-z)r_\perp, b_\perp - zr_\perp)),$$

where $\Psi_{\gamma^*}^\lambda(z, r_\perp)$ and $\Psi_{\gamma}^{\lambda'*}(z, r_\perp)$ are wavefunctions of virtual photon and photon, showed explicitly in Bartels, Golec-Biernat, Peters, 2003

Motivation

- For the incoming virtual photon, it is given by

$$\Psi_{\gamma^*\alpha\beta}^{T\lambda}(z, r_\perp) = \frac{ie_q}{\pi} \epsilon_q K_1(\epsilon_q |r_\perp|) \begin{cases} \frac{r_\perp \cdot \epsilon_\perp^{(1)}}{|r_\perp|^{(1)}} [\delta_{\alpha+}\delta_{\beta+}z - \delta_{\alpha-}\delta_{\beta-}(1-z)], & \lambda = 1, \\ \frac{r_\perp \cdot \epsilon_\perp^{(2)}}{|r_\perp|^{(2)}} [\delta_{\alpha-}\delta_{\beta-}z - \delta_{\alpha+}\delta_{\beta+}(1-z)], & \lambda = 2, \end{cases}$$
$$\Psi_{\gamma^*\alpha\beta}^L(z, r_\perp) = \frac{e_q z(1-z)Q}{\pi} K_0(\epsilon_q |r_\perp|) \delta_{\alpha\beta},$$

where α and β are the quark and antiquark helicities, e_q is the electric charge of the quark (in units of e) and $\epsilon_q^2 = z(1-z)Q^2$. The quark mass has been neglected. For the outgoing real photon, we have

$$\Psi_{\gamma\alpha\beta}^{T\lambda}(z, r_\perp) = e_q \frac{i}{\pi} \begin{cases} \frac{r_\perp \cdot \epsilon_\perp^{(1)}}{r_\perp^{(1)}} [\delta_{\alpha+}\delta_{\beta+}z - \delta_{\alpha-}\delta_{\beta-}(1-z)], & \lambda = 1, \\ \frac{r_\perp \cdot \epsilon_\perp^{(2)}}{r_\perp^{(2)}} [\delta_{\alpha-}\delta_{\beta-}z - \delta_{\alpha+}\delta_{\beta+}(1-z)], & \lambda = 2. \end{cases}$$

Motivation

- The relationship between the amplitudes and GTMDs is given by

$$\mathcal{A}_0(\Delta_{\perp}) \approx \sum_{\sigma} e_q^2 N_c \int_0^1 dz [z^2 + (1-z)^2] \int d^2 k_{\perp} \ln \left[1 + \frac{(k_{\perp} + \delta_{\perp})^2}{z(1-z)Q^2} \right] F_0(|k_{\perp}|, |\Delta_{\perp}|),$$

where $\delta_{\perp} \equiv \frac{1-2z}{2}\Delta_{\perp}$. In the collinear limit, it can reduce to the situation of GPD

$$\mathcal{A}_0 = \sum_q \frac{e_q^2 \alpha_s}{Q^2} x H_g(x, \Delta_{\perp}) \left[-\frac{1}{\varepsilon} + \ln \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} - 2 \right],$$

providing

$$x H_g(x, \Delta_{\perp}) = \frac{2N_c}{\alpha_s} \int d^2 q_{\perp} q_{\perp}^2 F_0$$

Motivation

- As well as,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}_2(\Delta_{\perp}) &= -8\pi \sum_q e_q^2 N_c \int_0^1 dz z(1-z) \\ &\times \int_0^\infty q_\perp dq_\perp [H_{02}(q_\perp, \delta_\perp) F_0(q_\perp, \Delta_\perp) + H_{20}(q_\perp, \delta_\perp) F_\epsilon(q_\perp, \Delta_\perp)]\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}H_{02}(q_\perp, \delta_\perp) &\equiv \int_0^\infty dr_\perp \epsilon_q K_1(\epsilon_q r_\perp) J_0(q_\perp r_\perp) J_2(\delta_\perp r_\perp), \\ H_{20}(q_\perp, \delta_\perp) &\equiv \int_0^\infty dr_\perp \epsilon_q K_1(\epsilon_q r_\perp) J_2(q_\perp r_\perp) [J_0(\delta_\perp r_\perp) + J_4(\delta_\perp r_\perp)].\end{aligned}$$

We further take the collinear limit $Q^2 \gg q_\perp^2$ and arrive at

$$\mathcal{A}_2(\Delta_{\perp}) = - \sum_q \frac{e_q^2 N_c}{Q^2} \int d^2 q_\perp q_\perp^2 F_\epsilon(q_\perp, \Delta_\perp) = - \sum_q \frac{e_q^2 \alpha_s \Delta_\perp^2}{4M^2 Q^2} x E_{Tg}(x, \Delta_\perp),$$

which is consistent with [Hoodbhoy, Ji, 1998](#).

Numerical results for DVCS

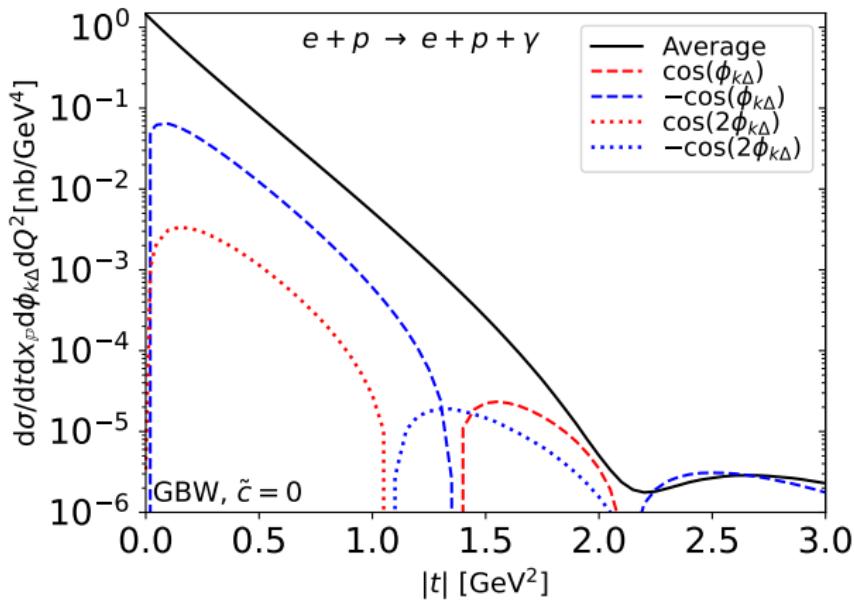


图: Cross section of DVCS

Mantysaari, Roy, Salazar, Schenke, 2021

Switch to TCS

- For TCS, the situation is quite similar. This is almost the inverted process, with two main difference.
 - i) different kinematical variables,
 - ii) virtual photon is time-like, leading to complex amplitudes.

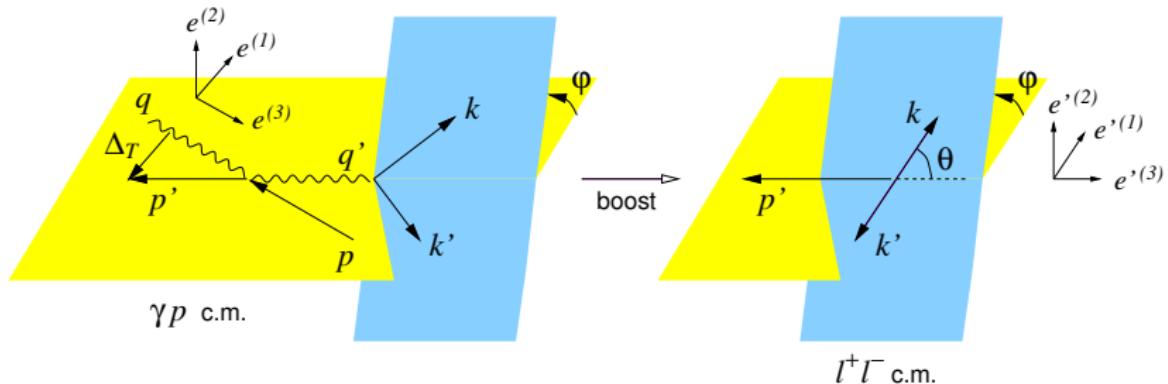


图: Presentation of azimuthal angle in TCS.

Pire, Szymanowski, Wagner, 2009

- The dilepton production from TCS was addressed in ultraperipheral collisions (UPCs) at fixed-target experiment, like AFTER@LHC.

Numerical calculation of dipole amplitudes

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}_T^{\lambda,\lambda'}(\Delta_{\perp}) &= 2 \int d^2 b_{\perp} e^{ib_{\perp} \cdot \Delta_{\perp}} N_c \sum_q \int d^2 r_{\perp} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{4\pi} \Psi_{\gamma^*}^{\lambda}(z, r_{\perp}) \Psi_{\gamma}^{\lambda'*}(z, r_{\perp}) \\ &\quad \times (1 - S(b_{\perp} + (1-z)r_{\perp}, b_{\perp} - zr_{\perp})),\end{aligned}$$

so that,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}_0 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda} \mathcal{A}_T^{\lambda=\lambda'}(\Delta_{\perp}) \\ &= \sum_q \frac{e_q^2 N_c}{\pi(2\pi)^2} \int_0^1 dz [z^2 + (1-z)^2] \int d^2 b_{\perp} e^{i\Delta_{\perp} \cdot b_{\perp}} \int \frac{d^2 r_{\perp}}{r_{\perp}} \epsilon_q K_1(\epsilon_q r_{\perp}) \\ &\quad \left[e^{-i\delta_{\perp} \cdot r_{\perp}} D_Y(r_{\perp}, b_{\perp}) \right],\end{aligned}$$

where $\epsilon_q = \sqrt{-z(1-z)M^2}$ and $K_1(\epsilon_q r_{\perp})$ are **complex** comparing with DVCS where they're real, and $D_Y(r_{\perp}, b_{\perp}) = 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r_{\perp}^2 Q_{s0}^2}{4} e^{-b^2/(2B)}\right)$ is depicted in GBW model.

Numerical results for TCS amplitudes

We can compute \mathcal{A}_2 and \mathcal{A}_L similarly. For TCS, it should have a likely form with DVCS. Given $Q_{s0} = 1\text{GeV}^2$, $B = 4\text{GeV}^{-2}$, $M = 5\text{GeV}$, $N_c = 3$

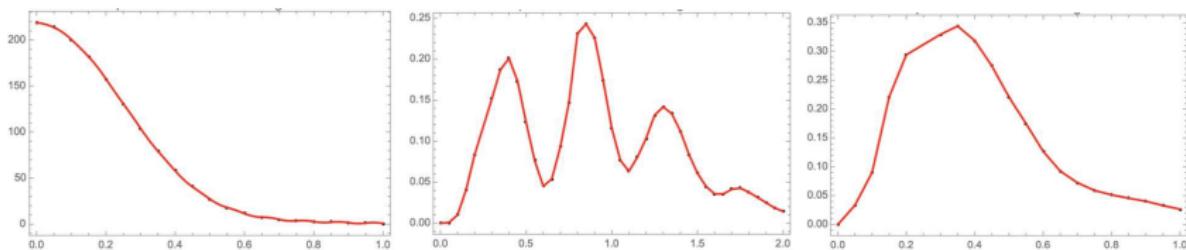


图: TCS helicity amplitudes vs transverse momentum Δ_\perp

Conventions

The hadronic tensor can be decomposed as $\mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{M}_{TT}^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{M}_{TL}^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{M}_{LL}^{\mu\nu}$, and the lepton tensor $L_{\mu\nu} = 2(l_{1\mu}l_{2\nu} + l_{1\nu}l_{2\mu} - g_{\mu\nu}l_1 \cdot l_2)$.

- Define two sets of linear independent tensors in transverse plane:

$$g_{\perp}^{\mu\nu} = -g^{\mu\nu} + (\hat{p}^{\mu}\hat{n}^{\nu} + \hat{p}^{\nu}\hat{n}^{\mu})/\hat{p} \cdot \hat{n},$$

$$h_{\perp}^{\mu\nu} = -g_{\perp}^{\mu\nu} - 2\Delta_{\perp}^{\mu}\Delta_{\perp}^{\nu}/\Delta_{\perp}^2,$$

$$\hat{h}_{\perp}^{\mu\nu} = -g_{\perp}^{\mu\nu} - 2\mathbb{I}_{\perp}^{\mu}\mathbb{I}_{\perp}^{\nu}/\mathbb{I}_{\perp}^2,$$

satisfying $\hat{h}_{\perp}^{\mu\nu}h_{\perp\mu\nu} = 2\cos 2\phi$ showing azimuthal angle dependence.

- We can write down

$$\mathcal{A}_T^{\mu\nu}(\Delta_{\perp}) = g_{\perp}^{\mu\nu}\mathcal{A}_0(\Delta_{\perp}) + h_{\perp}^{\mu\nu}\mathcal{A}_2(\Delta_{\perp}),$$

$$L_{\mu\nu} = 2 \left[(I \cdot I - I_{\perp} \cdot I_{\perp})g_{\perp\mu\nu} - I_{\perp} \cdot I_{\perp} \hat{h}_{\perp\mu\nu} \right].$$

Transverse + Transverse

In this case, $\mathcal{M}_{TT}^{\mu\nu} = s^2 g_{\perp\alpha\beta} \mathcal{A}_T^{\mu\alpha} (\mathcal{A}_T^{\nu\beta})^*$, where $s = (q + P)^2 = 2EM_P$,

- After contracting,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_{TT}^{\mu\nu} L_{\mu\nu} &= 4s^2 \left[(m^2 - l_\perp^2) \cosh(\eta_1 - \eta_2) (|\mathcal{A}_0|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_2|^2) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + l_\perp^2 (\mathcal{A}_0 \mathcal{A}_2^* + \mathcal{A}_2 \mathcal{A}_0^*) \cos 2\phi \right],\end{aligned}$$

where η_1 and η_2 are rapidities of electrons. Comparing with DVCS

$$\mathcal{M}_{TT}^{\mu\nu} L_{\mu\nu} \propto \left(1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2}\right) (\mathcal{A}_0^2 + \mathcal{A}_2^2) + (1 - y)^2 \mathcal{A}_0 \mathcal{A}_2 \cos(2\phi_{\Delta I}),$$

where $y = q \cdot P / (I \cdot P)$.

Transverse + Longitudinal

In this case, $\mathcal{M}_{TL}^{\mu\nu} = -2s^2 \operatorname{Re} \sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\mu}^{T(\lambda)} \epsilon_{\mu'}^{T(\lambda)*} g_{\perp\alpha\beta} \mathcal{A}_T^{\mu'\alpha} \left(\mathcal{A}_L^{\nu'\beta} \right)^* \epsilon_{\nu'}^L \epsilon_{\nu}^L$,

- we notice that $\sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\mu}^{T(\lambda)} \epsilon_{\mu'}^{T(\lambda)*} = g_{\perp\mu\mu'}$ and $\mathcal{A}_L^{\nu'\beta} \epsilon_{\nu'}^L = \frac{\Delta_{\perp}^{\beta}}{|\Delta_{\perp}|} \mathcal{A}_L$, so we can derive

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{TL}^{\mu\nu} &= -2s^2 \operatorname{Re} \left[g_{\perp\mu\mu'} g_{\perp\alpha\beta} \mathcal{A}_T^{\mu'\alpha} \frac{\Delta_{\perp}^{\beta}}{|\Delta_{\perp}|} \epsilon_{\nu}^L \mathcal{A}_L^* \right], \\ &= 2s^2 \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{\Delta_{\perp\mu}}{|\Delta_{\perp}|} (\mathcal{A}_0 + \mathcal{A}_2) \epsilon_{\nu}^L \mathcal{A}_L^* \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\mathcal{M}_{TL}^{\mu\nu} L_{\mu\nu} \propto \Delta_{\perp\mu} (\alpha q^{\nu} + \beta P^{\nu} + k \Delta_{\perp}^{\nu}) (A l_{\perp}^{\mu} l_{\perp}^{\nu} + B g_{\perp}^{\mu\nu}) \propto A \cos 2\phi + B,$$

comparing with DVCS

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- Finally, we can calculate

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_{TL}^{\mu\nu} L_{\mu\nu} &= 4s^2 \operatorname{Re} [\mathcal{A}_L^* (\mathcal{A}_0 + \mathcal{A}_2)] \frac{p_z |\Delta_{\perp}|}{EM} [(I \cdot I' - I_{\perp} \cdot I'_{\perp}) - I_{\perp} \cdot I'_{\perp} \cos 2\phi] \\ &= 4s^2 \operatorname{Re} [\mathcal{A}_L^* (\mathcal{A}_0 + \mathcal{A}_2)] \frac{p_z |\Delta_{\perp}|}{EM} [(m^2 - l_{\perp}^2) \cosh(y_1 - y_2) + l_{\perp}^2 \cos 2\phi]\end{aligned}$$

Longitudinal + Longitudinal

In this case,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_{LL}^{\mu\nu} &= s^2 \epsilon_{\mu}^{L*} \epsilon_{\nu}^L g_{\perp\alpha\beta} \mathcal{A}_L^{\mu'\alpha} (\mathcal{A}_L^{\nu'\beta})^* \epsilon_{\nu'}^L \epsilon_{\nu}^L \\ &= s^2 g_{\perp\alpha\beta} \frac{\Delta_{\perp}^{\alpha} \Delta_{\perp}^{\beta}}{|\Delta_{\perp}|^2} \mathcal{A}_L \mathcal{A}_L^* \epsilon_{\mu}^{L*} \epsilon_{\nu}^L \\ &= s^2 |\mathcal{A}_L|^2 \epsilon_{\mu}^{L*} \epsilon_{\nu}^L.\end{aligned}$$

By the identity $\sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\mu}^{\lambda*} \epsilon_{\nu}^{\lambda} = -g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{(q+\Delta)^{\mu}(q+\Delta)^{\nu}}{M^2}$, where $(q+\Delta)^{\mu}$ is momenta of virtual photon. We have,

$$\epsilon_{\mu}^{L*} \epsilon_{\nu}^L = \frac{(q+\Delta)^{\mu}(q+\Delta)^{\nu}}{M^2} - \frac{(\hat{p}^{\mu} \hat{n}^{\nu} + \hat{p}^{\nu} \hat{n}^{\mu})}{\hat{p} \cdot \hat{n}}.$$

So that,

$$\mathcal{M}_{LL}^{\mu\nu} = W^4 |\mathcal{A}_L|^2 \left[\frac{(q+\Delta)^{\mu}(q+\Delta)^{\nu}}{M^2} - \frac{(\hat{p}^{\mu} \hat{n}^{\nu} + \hat{p}^{\nu} \hat{n}^{\mu})}{\hat{p} \cdot \hat{n}} \right],$$

Longitudinal + Longitudinal

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_{LL}^{\mu\nu} L_{\mu\nu} &\propto \left[\frac{(q + \Delta)^\mu (q + \Delta)^\nu}{M^2} - \frac{(\hat{p}^\mu \hat{n}^\nu + \hat{p}^\nu \hat{n}^\mu)}{\hat{p} \cdot \hat{n}} \right] (A l_\perp^\mu l_\perp^\nu + B g_\perp^{\mu\nu}) \\ &\propto \Delta_\perp^\mu \Delta_\perp^\nu (A l_\perp^\mu l_\perp^\nu + B g_\perp^{\mu\nu}) \\ &\propto A \cos 2\phi + B\end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$\mathcal{M}_{LL}^{\mu\nu} L_{\mu\nu} = -W^4 |\mathcal{A}_L|^2 \frac{\Delta_\perp^2}{M^2} [(m^2 - l_\perp^2) \cosh(y_1 - y_2) - l_\perp^2 \cos 2\phi]$$

Future and outlook

- Derive the cross section of TCS in forms of Drell-Yan process, W_T , W_L , W_Δ , $W_{\Delta\Delta}$. Check if Lam-Tung relation holds.
- Using more sophisticated CGC EFT framework?
- Thank you!