

## N-jettiness soft function at NNLO in QCD

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## Talk plan

This talk is mostly based in our work presented in hep-ph/2403.03078

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- 2. Soft function at NLO
- 3. Soft function at NNLO
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## Higher-order QCD corrections (at NNLO)



#### Subtraction methods

Analytically removes  $1/\epsilon^n$  poles by constructing integrable counterterms

Antenna subtraction

Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover - hep-ph/0505111

CoLoRFul subtraction

Somogyi, Trócsányi, Del Duca - hep-ph/0502226

Sector subtraction

Czakon - hep-ph/1005.0274, Boughezal et al. - hep-ph/1111.7041

Catani, Grazzini - hep-ph/0703012

Projection-to-Born

Cacciari et al. - hep-ph/1506.02660

- Nested soft-collinear subtraction Caola, Melnikov, Röntsch - hep-ph/1702.01352
- Local analytic sector subtraction

Magnea et al. - hep-ph/1806.09570

#### Slicing methods

Imposes cuts in some variable to split the phase space. Below the cut a soft-collinear approximation is used

q<sub>t</sub>-subtraction

- N-jettiness subtraction
  - Boughezal et al. hep-ph/1504.02131, Gaunt et al. hep-ph/1505.04794

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## **N-jettiness subtraction**

The *N*-jettiness variable, defined by

$$\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{U}) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{U}} \min\left\{\frac{2\rho_x \rho_{h_1}}{P_{h_1}}, \frac{2\rho_x \rho_{h_2}}{P_{h_2}}, \frac{2\rho_x \rho_{h_3}}{P_{h_3}}, \ldots\right\}$$

Can be used to perform a slicing of the phase space (like in  $q_T$  subtraction)

$$\sigma = \int^{\mathcal{T}_0} d\mathcal{T} rac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{T}} + \int_{\mathcal{T}_0} d\mathcal{T} rac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{T}}$$

and, thanks to the factorization theorem from SCET, we can calculate

$$\int_{0}^{T_0} d\mathcal{T} \frac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{T}} = \int B \otimes B \otimes S \otimes H \otimes \prod_i^N J_i + \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{T}_0)$$
  
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## **N-jettiness subtraction**

$$\int^{\mathcal{T}_0} d\mathcal{T} \frac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{T}} = \int B \otimes B \otimes S \otimes H \otimes \prod_i^N J_i + \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{T}_0)$$

- The beam function and jet functions (B and J<sub>i</sub>) describe the initial- and final-state collinear radiation, the soft function S describes the soft radiation, and the (process dependent) hard function H encodes the virtual corrections
- At NNLO, all ingredients are known since years ago. The soft function was available for 0-, 1- and 2-jettiness, but only recently for generic N-jettiness
   (hep-ph/2312.11626, hep-ph/2403.03078)
- At N3LO, only the soft function is missing. There are current efforts to obtain the analytic N3LO 0-jettiness soft function (see Pikelner's talk)

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## Soft function calculation



- Previous calculations of the NNLO were mainly based on mapping the available phase space of soft-gluon emissions onto hemispheres and computing the required integrals numerically.
   (Boughezal et al. hep-ph/1504.02540, Campbell et al. hep-ph/1711.09984, Bell et al. hep-ph/2312.11626)
- Here, we use the well established subtraction methods to calculate this ingredient of a phase space slicing method, showing the *explicit analytical cancellation of divergences*. Also, in our calculation *N* is treated genuinely as a parameter.
- We show that borrowing ideas from generic NNLO QCD subtraction schemes is beneficial for computing ingredients of modern slicing calculations.

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## Soft function renormalization



Since loop-corrections are not present, the IR divergences in the soft function turn into UV ones that require renormalization. It is convenient to work in Laplace space

$$S(u) = \int_0^\infty d{\cal T} \; S_{\cal T}({\cal T}) e^{-u{\cal T}}$$

Since there the renormalization is multiplicative (with matrices in color space)

we write the expansion in powers of 
$$\alpha_s$$

lf

$$S=Z\widetilde{S}Z^{\dagger}$$

## Soft function at NLO



If we take  $P_{h_i} = E_i$  with and unresolved gluon *m*, the *N*-jettiness is given by

$$\mathcal{T}(m) = E_m \psi_m = E_m \min\{\rho_{1m}, \rho_{2m}, \rho_{3m}, \dots, \rho_{Nm}\},\$$

where  $\rho_{ij} = 1 - \vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{n}_j$ . Then, the soft function is given by

$$S(\tau) = -\sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{j} g_{s}^{2} \int \frac{d\Omega_{m}^{(d-1)}}{2(2\pi)^{d-1}} \frac{dE_{m}}{E_{m}^{1+2\epsilon}} E_{m}^{2} \delta(\tau - E_{m}\psi_{m}) \langle S_{ij}(m) \rangle_{m}, \qquad S_{ij}(m) = \frac{1}{E_{m}^{2}} \frac{\rho_{ij}}{\rho_{im}\rho_{jm}}$$

We integrate over energy and use that we know the limit  $\lim_{m \mid i} \psi_m = \rho_{im}$ , so we can rewrite

$$\psi_m^{2\epsilon} \frac{\rho_{ij}}{\rho_{im}\rho_{jm}} = \left(\frac{\psi_m\rho_{ij}}{\rho_{im}\rho_{jm}}\right)^{2\epsilon} \frac{\rho_{ij}^{1-2\epsilon}}{\rho_{im}^{1-2\epsilon}\rho_{jm}^{1-2\epsilon}} = \left(1 + 2\epsilon g_{ij,m}^{(2)}\right) \frac{\rho_{ij}^{1-2\epsilon}}{\rho_{im}^{1-2\epsilon}\rho_{jm}^{1-2\epsilon}}$$





## Soft function at NLO

Knowing that ( $\eta_{ij}=
ho_{ij}/$ 2)

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$$\left\langle \frac{\rho_{ij}^{1-2\epsilon}}{\rho_{im}^{1-2\epsilon}\rho_{jm}^{1-2\epsilon}} \right\rangle_{m} = \frac{2\eta_{ij}^{\epsilon}}{\epsilon} K_{ij}^{(2)} = \frac{2\eta_{ij}^{\epsilon}}{\epsilon} \frac{\Gamma(1+\epsilon)^{2}}{\Gamma(1+2\epsilon)} \, _{2}F_{1}\left(\epsilon,\epsilon,1-\epsilon,1-\eta_{ij}\right),$$

in Laplace space we arrive to the following bare soft function

$$S_{1} = a_{s} (\mu \bar{u})^{2\epsilon} \frac{\Gamma(1-2\epsilon)}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)e^{\epsilon\gamma_{E}}} \sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{j} \left[ \frac{\eta_{ij}^{\epsilon}}{\epsilon^{2}} \mathcal{K}_{ij}^{(2)} + \left\langle g_{ij,m}^{(2)} \frac{\rho_{ij}^{1-2\epsilon}}{\rho_{im}^{1-2\epsilon} \rho_{jm}^{1-2\epsilon}} \right\rangle_{m} \right].$$

By combining  $S_1$  with the renormalization matrices  $Z_1$  and  $Z_1^{\dagger}$ , we finally obtain  $(L_{ij} = \ln (\mu \bar{u} \sqrt{\eta_{ij}}))$ 

$$\tilde{S}_{1} = a_{s} \sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{j} \left[ 2L_{ij}^{2} + \text{Li}_{2}(1 - \eta_{ij}) + \frac{\pi^{2}}{12} + \left\langle \ln \left( \frac{\psi_{m}\rho_{ij}}{\rho_{im}\rho_{jm}} \right) \frac{\rho_{ij}}{\rho_{im}\rho_{jm}} \right\rangle_{m} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \right]$$
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## Soft function at NNLO

The NNLO contribution to the bare soft function is

$$S_2 = S_{2,RR} + S_{2,RV} - a_s \, rac{eta_0}{\epsilon} S_1$$

We further split the double-real contribution into correlated and uncorrelated pieces

$$S_{2,RR,\tau} = S_{2,RR,T^4} + S_{2,RR,T^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{(ij),(k,l)} \{\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j, \mathbf{T}_k \cdot \mathbf{T}_l\} I_{T^4,ij,kl} - \frac{C_A}{2} \sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j I_{T^2,ij}$$

The real-virtual contribution reads

$$S_{2,RV,\tau} = S_{RV,T^2} + S_{RV,tc} = \frac{[\alpha_s] \, 2^{-\epsilon}}{\epsilon^2} C_A A_K(\epsilon) \sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j \ I_{RV,ij} + [\alpha_s] \frac{4\pi N_\epsilon}{\epsilon} \sum_{(kij)} \kappa_{ij} F^{kij} I_{kij}$$

where  $\kappa_{ij} = \lambda_{ij} - \lambda_{im} - \lambda_{jm}$ , with  $\lambda_{ij} = 1$  if both *i* and *j* refer to incoming/outgoing partons and zero otherwise. We have defined  $F^{kij} = f_{abc} T^a_k T^b_i T^c_j$ , while  $A_K(\epsilon)$  and  $N_{\epsilon}$  are normalization factors.

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## Soft function at NNLO



The calculation of the renormalized soft function is organized as follows

$$ilde{S}_2 = ilde{S}_2^{ ext{uncorr}} + ilde{S}_2^{ ext{corr}} + ilde{S}_2^{ ext{tc}}$$

Where the pieces are given by the following contributions

Uncorrelated emissionCorrelated emission $\tilde{S}_2^{\text{uncorr}} = \frac{1}{2}\tilde{S}_1\tilde{S}_1$  $\tilde{S}_2^{\text{corr}} = S_{2,RR,T^2} + S_{RV,T^2} - Z_{2,r} - Z_{2,r}^{\dagger} - \frac{a_s\beta_0}{\epsilon}S_1,$ 

### Triple color terms

$$\tilde{S}_{2}^{\text{tc}} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ Z_{1}, Z_{1}^{\dagger} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[ S_{1}, Z_{1} - Z_{1}^{\dagger} \right] + S_{\text{RV,tc}}$$

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## **Uncorrelated emission**

The  $S_2$  contains an iterated contribution of the NLO soft function  $S_1$ 

$$I_{T^{4},ij,kl} = \frac{[\alpha_{s}]^{2}}{2} \left\langle \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dE_{m}}{E_{m}^{1+2\epsilon}} \frac{dE_{n}}{E_{n}^{1+2\epsilon}} \,\delta(\tau - E_{m}\psi_{m} - E_{n}\psi_{n}) \frac{\rho_{ij}}{\rho_{im}\rho_{jm}} \frac{\rho_{kl}}{\rho_{kn}\rho_{ln}} \right\rangle_{mn}$$

If we integrate over both energies

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dE_m}{E_m^{1+2\epsilon}} \frac{dE_n}{E_n^{1+2\epsilon}} \,\delta(\tau - E_m \psi_m - E_n \psi_n) = \frac{\tau^{-1-4\epsilon}}{\Gamma(-4\epsilon)} \frac{\psi_m^{2\epsilon} \Gamma(1-2\epsilon)}{2\epsilon} \frac{\psi_n^{2\epsilon} \Gamma(1-2\epsilon)}{2\epsilon}$$

The Laplace transform allows us to identify this iteration

$$S_{2,RR,T^{4}} = \frac{[\alpha_{s}]^{2}}{4} \sum_{(ij),(kl)} \{\mathbf{T}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{j}, \mathbf{T}_{k} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{l}\} \left(\frac{u^{2\epsilon} \Gamma(1-2\epsilon)}{2\epsilon}\right)^{2} \left\langle \psi_{m}^{2\epsilon} \frac{\rho_{ij}}{\rho_{im}\rho_{jm}} \right\rangle_{m} \left\langle \psi_{n}^{2\epsilon} \frac{\rho_{kl}}{\rho_{kn}\rho_{ln}} \right\rangle_{n} = \frac{1}{2} S_{1}S_{1}$$
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## **Triple color terms**

This contribution depends on triple products of color charges

$$\tilde{S}_{2}^{\text{tc}} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ Z_{1}, Z_{1}^{\dagger} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[ S_{1}, Z_{1} - Z_{1}^{\dagger} \right] + S_{\text{RV,tc}}$$

The commutators can be computed as shown in (Devoto et al. - hep-ph/2310.17598).

$$\frac{1}{2}[Z_1, Z_1^{\dagger}] = -\frac{2\pi a_s^2}{\epsilon^2} \sum_{(kij)} \lambda_{kj} L_{ij} F^{kij} = -\frac{\pi a_s^2}{\epsilon^2} \sum_{(kij)} \lambda_{kj} \ln \eta_{ij} F^{kij}$$
$$\frac{1}{2}[S_1, Z_1 - Z_1^{\dagger}] = -\frac{a_s^2 \pi (\mu u)^{2\epsilon}}{\epsilon^2} \frac{e^{\gamma_E \epsilon} \Gamma (1 - 2\epsilon)}{\Gamma (1 - \epsilon)} \sum_{(kij)} \kappa_{kj} \left\langle \psi_m^{2\epsilon} \frac{\rho_{ki}}{\rho_{km} \rho_{im}} \right\rangle_m F^{kij}$$

The real-virtual triple-color correlated contribution is

$$S_{\rm RV,tc} = \frac{a_s^2 \pi(\mu \ \bar{u})^{4\epsilon} N_\epsilon 2^{-\epsilon}}{2\epsilon^2} \frac{\Gamma(1-4\epsilon)}{\Gamma^2(1-\epsilon) e^{2\gamma_E \epsilon}} \sum_{(kij)} \kappa_{kj} \left\langle \psi_m^{4\epsilon} \frac{\rho_{ki}}{\rho_{km} \rho_{im}} \left( \frac{\rho_{kj}}{\rho_{km} \rho_{jm}} \right)^{\epsilon} \right\rangle_m F^{kij}$$

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## **Triple color terms**

Following the NLO case,

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$$\left\langle \psi_m^{2\epsilon} \frac{\rho_{ki}}{\rho_{km}\rho_{im}} \right\rangle_m = \left\langle (1 + 2\epsilon g_{ki,m}^{(2)}) \frac{\rho_{ki}^{1-2\epsilon}}{\rho_{km}^{1-2\epsilon}\rho_{im}^{1-2\epsilon}} \right\rangle_m, \\ \left\langle \psi_m^{4\epsilon} \frac{\rho_{ki}}{\rho_{km}\rho_{im}} \left( \frac{\rho_{kj}}{\rho_{km}\rho_{jm}} \right)^\epsilon \right\rangle_m = \left\langle \left( 1 + 4\epsilon g_{ki,m}^{(4)} \right) \frac{\rho_{ki}^{1-4\epsilon}}{\rho_{km}^{1-4\epsilon}} \left( \frac{\rho_{kj}}{\rho_{km}\rho_{jm}} \right)^\epsilon \right\rangle_m.$$

It is easy to show that the *N*-jettiness dependent poles cancel

$$ilde{S}_{2}^{\text{tc}} 
ightarrow - rac{2a_{s}^{2}\pi}{\epsilon} \sum_{(kij)} \kappa_{kj} \left\langle rac{
ho_{ik}}{
ho_{im}
ho_{km}} \left( g_{ki,m}^{(2)} - g_{ki,m}^{(4)} 
ight) 
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angle_{m} \mathcal{F}^{kij} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{0})$$

While the N-jettiness dependent finite reminder is

$$\tilde{S}_{2}^{\text{tc}} \to 2a_{s}^{2}\pi \sum_{(kij)} \kappa_{kj} \left\langle \frac{\rho_{ki}}{\rho_{im}\rho_{km}} \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{m}\rho_{ki}}{\rho_{km}\rho_{im}}\right) \ln\left(\frac{(\bar{u}\mu)^{2}\psi_{m}\rho_{im}\rho_{kj}}{2\rho_{jm}\rho_{ki}}\right) \right\rangle_{m} F^{kij}$$
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## **Triple color terms**



### What about the rest of the finite part?

The idea is to use the integral of

$$\left\langle \frac{\rho_{ki}}{\rho_{km}\rho_{im}} \left( \frac{\rho_{kj}}{\rho_{km}\rho_{jm}} \right)^{\epsilon} \right\rangle_{m},$$

which was already calculated in Devoto et al. - hep-ph/2310.17598, and take the difference of the two results

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## **Correlated emission**

The calculation of the correlated terms are the main bulk of the calculation

$$ilde{S}_2^{\mathsf{corr}} = S_{2,\textit{RR},\textit{T}^2} + S_{\textit{RV},\textit{T}^2} - Z_{2,\textit{r}} - Z_{2,\textit{r}}^\dagger - rac{a_{\scriptscriptstyle S}eta_0}{\epsilon}S_1,$$

The last three renormalization term do not require any integration, and the real-virtual one is simply

$$S_{RV,T^2} \propto -\frac{[lpha_s]^2}{\epsilon^3} C_A \sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j \left\langle \psi_m^{4\epsilon} \left( \frac{
ho_{ij}}{
ho_{im} 
ho_{jm}} 
ight)^{1+\epsilon} 
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angle_m$$

The first term, that involves the correlated emission eikonal term  $S_{ii}^{gg}(m, n)$ , is the one that requires atention

$$S_{2,RR,T^2,\tau} = -\frac{C_A}{2} \sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j \ I_{ij,\tau} = -\frac{C_A}{2} \sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j \ \frac{g_s^4}{2} \int [dp_m] [dp_n] \ \delta \left(\tau - E_m \psi_m - E_n \psi_n\right) \tilde{S}_{ij}^{gg}(m,n)$$

(there is also an analogous and simpler quark contribution, but we focus on the gluon case)

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## **Correlated emission**

We perform a nested subtraction of all divergent limits in the correlated term as follows

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## **Correlated emission**

We perform a nested subtraction of all divergent limits. The first one is the strongly ordered one, the double soft limit with energy ordering

$$\mathcal{S}_{2,\mathcal{RR},\mathcal{T}^2} = -rac{\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{A}}}{2}\sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j \left[ar{\mathcal{S}}_\omega \mathit{I}_{ij} + \mathcal{S}_\omega \mathit{I}_{ij}
ight],$$

with  $S_{\omega}$  being the operator that enforces the strongly-ordered limit

- Divergent terms of S<sub>ω</sub> I<sub>ij</sub> can be calculated analytically. The N-jettiness dependent ones cancel against those of the RV term
- There are only collinear divergences remaining in  $ar{S}_{\omega} \mathit{I}_{ij} = (1 S_{\omega}) \mathit{I}_{ij}$

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## **Correlated emission**

Now, we introduce partition functions (see hep-ph/2310.17598) to separate double-collinear and triple-collinear singularities

$$\bar{S}_{\omega}[I_{ij}] = \bar{S}_{\omega}[I_{ij}^{dc}] + \bar{S}_{\omega}[I_{ij}^{tc}]$$

The double-collinear contribution

$$\bar{S}_{\omega}[I_{ij}^{dc}] = \frac{N_{u}}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{d\omega}{\omega^{1+2\epsilon}} \left\langle \psi_{mn}^{4\epsilon} \left( w^{mi,nj} + w^{ni,mj} \right) \bar{S}_{\omega} \left[ \omega^{2} \tilde{S}_{ij}^{gg} \right] \right\rangle_{mn}$$

has poles independent of the *N*-jettiness, which can be obtained from the calculation done in hep-ph/1807.05835. The jettiness dependent part can be calculated numerically.

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• For the triple-collinear contribution (with  $w^{tc} = w^{mi,ni} + w^{mj,nj}$ )

$$\bar{S}_{\omega}[I_{ij}^{tc}] = \frac{N_{u}}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{d\omega}{\omega^{1+2\epsilon}} \left\langle \psi_{mn}^{4\epsilon} \ \mathbf{w}^{tc} \ \bar{S}_{\omega} \left[ \omega^{2} \tilde{S}_{ij}^{gg} \right] \right\rangle_{mn}$$



(sectoring)

we will also introduce sectors to handle the m||n| singularity

- Again, the strategy is to identify the terms that correspond to the calculation without the N-jettiness constraint
- This allows us to avoid calculating complicated finite terms, leaving only the jettiness dependent ones for numeric evaluation





## The final result

The NLO contribution reads

$$\begin{split} \tilde{S}_{1} &= a_{s} \sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{j} \left[ 2L_{ij}^{2} + \mathrm{Li}_{2}(1 - \eta_{ij}) + \frac{\pi^{2}}{12} + \left\langle L_{ij,m}^{\psi} \frac{\rho_{ij}}{\rho_{im}\rho_{jm}} \right\rangle_{m} \right], \\ \text{where } L_{ij} &= \ln(\bar{u}\sqrt{\eta_{ij}}\mu) \text{ and } L_{ij,m}^{\psi} = \ln\left(\frac{\psi_{m}\rho_{ij}}{\rho_{im}\rho_{jm}}\right). \end{split}$$

The NNLO one is

$$\tilde{S}_2 = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{S}_1^2 + a_s^2 C_A \sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j \ G_{ij} + a_s^2 \ n_f \ T_R \sum_{(ij)} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j \ Q_{ij} + a_s^2 \pi \sum_{(kij)} F^{kij} \ \kappa_{kj} G_{kij}^{\text{triple}},$$

where  $G_{ij}$ ,  $Q_{ij}$  and  $G_{kij}^{triple}$  are finite function with analytical terms along with a *low number numerical integrations* over one- and two-particle phase space in four-dimensions

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## **Numerical checks**



• We compared results for the *N*-Jettiness soft function obtained in this paper with those of the Ref:

The NNLO soft function for N-jettiness in hadronic collisions

Bell, Dehnadi, Mohrmann, Rahn, arXiv hep-ph/2312.11626.

Here, we focus in the (new) 3-jettiness case. We consider the configuration with two back-to-back beams. The five directions are

$$n_1 = (0, 0, 1), \quad n_2 = (0, 0, -1), \quad n_3 = (\sin \theta_{13}, 0, \cos \theta_{13}),$$
  
$$n_4 = (\sin \theta_{14} \cos \phi_4, \sin \theta_{14} \sin \phi_4, \cos \theta_{14}), \quad n_5 = (\sin \theta_{15} \cos \phi_5, \sin \theta_{15} \sin \phi_5, \cos \theta_{15}),$$

in the following phase space point

$$\theta_{13} = \frac{3\pi}{10}, \quad \theta_{14} = \frac{6\pi}{10}, \quad \theta_{15} = \frac{9\pi}{10}, \quad \phi_4 = \frac{3\pi}{5}, \quad \phi_5 = \frac{6\pi}{5}$$

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## **Numerical checks**



### Dipole configurations

Dipoles	Gluons		Quarks		
	$G_{ij}^{nl}$	Bell et al.	$Q_{ij}^{nl}$	Bell et al.	
12	$116.20\pm0.01$	$116.20\pm0.16$	$-36.249 \pm 0.001$	$-36.244 \pm 0.009$	
13	$38.13\pm0.03$	$37.63\pm0.03$	$-21.717 \pm 0.007$	$-21.732 \pm 0.005$	
14	$63.63 \pm 0.01$	$63.66 \pm 0.06$	$-25.189 \pm 0.003$	$\textbf{-25.192} \pm 0.006$	
15	$107.17 \pm 0.01$	$106.99\pm0.12$	$-35.268 \pm 0.001$	$\textbf{-35.256} \pm 0.009$	
23	$97.11\pm0.01$	$96.97\pm0.10$	$-32.875 \pm 0.002$	$-32.872 \pm 0.008$	
24	$67.36\pm0.02$	$67.51\pm0.08$	$-26.821 \pm 0.003$	$-26.815 \pm 0.007$	
25	$30.87\pm0.03$	$30.73\pm0.04$	$-21.561 \pm 0.009$	$-21.561 \pm 0.005$	
34	$69.43\pm0.01$	$69.24\pm0.07$	$-25.854 \pm 0.002$	$-25.861 \pm 0.006$	
35	$106.13\pm0.02$	$105.97\pm0.13$	$-34.799 \pm 0.002$	$-34.796 \pm 0.008$	
45	$74.45\pm0.02$	$74.36\pm0.09$	$-28.247 \pm 0.004$	$\textbf{-28.251} \pm 0.007$	

### Tripole sums

	$\widetilde{c}_{tripoles}$	Bell et al.	
$\tilde{C}_{tripoles}^{(2,124)}$	$\textbf{-683.25} \pm 0.01$	$\textbf{-683.23}\pm0.04$	
$\tilde{c}_{tripoles}^{(2,125)}$	$-2203.3 \pm 0.2$	$\textbf{-2203.5}\pm0.1$	
$\tilde{c}_{tripoles}^{(2,145)}$	$\textbf{-6.324} \pm \textbf{0.004}$	$\textbf{-6.325} \pm \textbf{0.04}$	
$\tilde{c}_{tripoles}^{(2,245)}$	$\textbf{-0.837} \pm \textbf{0.008}$	$\textbf{-0.830} \pm \textbf{0.039}$	

The tripole sums correspond to the four independent color structures as specified by Bell et al.



## Conclusions

### In our work

- We calculated the *N*-jettiness soft function for generic *N* and demonstrated the **analytical** cancellation of poles against renormalization matrix
- We derived a simple representation for the finite, jettiness-dependent remainder, allowing for faster implementations
- We found excellent agreement between our numerical results for N = 1, 2 and N = 3 and previous calculations
- We have shown the significant benefits of applying subtraction-inspired methods to derive representations for building blocks of slicing methods

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## **Correlated emission**

Introducing sectors, we arrive to

$$\begin{split} \bar{S}_{\omega}[I_{ij}^{tc}] &= \frac{N_{u}}{\epsilon} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{d\omega}{\omega^{1+2\epsilon}} \left\langle C_{mn} \left[ d\Omega_{mn} \right] \theta^{b+d} w^{tc} \psi_{mn}^{4\epsilon} \bar{S}_{\omega} \left[ \tilde{S}_{ij}^{gg} \right] \right\rangle_{mn} \\ &+ \frac{N_{u}}{\epsilon} \sum_{x \in \{i,j\}} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{d\omega}{\omega^{1+2\epsilon}} \left\langle (1 - \theta^{b+d} C_{mn}) \left[ d\Omega_{mn} \right] C_{xmn} w^{tc} \psi_{mn}^{4\epsilon} \bar{S}_{\omega} \left[ \tilde{S}_{ij}^{gg} \right] \right\rangle_{mn} \\ &+ \frac{N_{u}}{\epsilon} \sum_{x \in \{i,j\}} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{d\omega}{\omega^{1+2\epsilon}} \left\langle (1 - \theta^{b+d} C_{mn}) \left[ d\Omega_{mn} \right] \bar{C}_{xmn} w^{mx,nx} \psi_{mn}^{4\epsilon} \bar{S}_{\omega} \left[ \tilde{S}_{ij}^{gg} \right] \right\rangle_{mn}, \end{split}$$

where  $\bar{C}_{xmn} = I - C_{xmn}$  and  $[d\Omega_{mn}] = [d\Omega_m][d\Omega_n]$ . The idea is to calculate the first two terms explicitly, and expand the last integrand in  $\epsilon$ .

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