# Transfer of gauge invariant operators from complete to Möbius representation and vice versa

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#### Introduction

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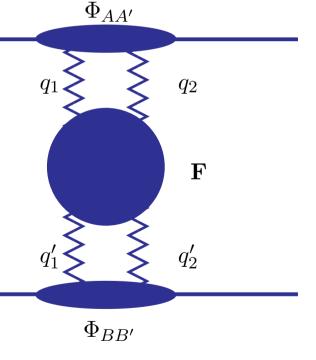
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### Introduction

The sum of all ladder diagrams - Green function G satisfies the BFKL equation  $\frac{d\hat{G}}{dY} = \hat{\mathcal{K}}\hat{G}$ , where  $Y = \ln \frac{s}{G^2}$ ,  $\hat{\mathcal{K}}$  — is the BFKL kernel.

 $p_2$ 

- The kernel was built in the momentum representation  $\langle \vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}} | \vec{q}_1', \vec{q}_2' \rangle$ ,  $\vec{q_i}$  - transverse momenta of the incoming and  $\vec{q'_i}$  - outgoing reggeons.
- The amplitude for the process  $A + B \rightarrow A' + B'$ is  $\mathcal{A}_{AB}^{A'B'} = \Phi_{AA'} \otimes \hat{G} \otimes \Phi_{BB'}$ ,  $\Phi$  — impact-factors, describing external particles.
- The BFKL kernel in NLO is known in the momentum representation for forward (1998 Fadin, Lipatov; Ciafaloni, Camici) and  $\underline{p_1}$ nonforward (2005 Fadin, Fiore) scattering. It is complicated.



### Introduction

BFKL kernel in the operator form looks

$$\hat{\mathcal{K}} = \hat{\omega}_1 + \hat{\omega}_2 + \hat{\mathcal{K}}_r ,$$

 $\omega$  — is gluon Regge tragectory,

 $\hat{\mathcal{K}}_r$  — real part of the kernel. It describes real particle production in Reggeon collisions.

s-channel discontinuity for the process  $A+B\to A'+B'$  has the form

$$-4i(2\pi)^{D-2}\delta(\vec{q}_A - \vec{q}_B)\operatorname{disc}_s \mathcal{A}_{AB}^{A'B'} = \langle A'\bar{A}|e^{Y\hat{\mathcal{K}}}|\bar{B}'B\rangle .$$

 $Y=\ln(s/Q^2)$ ,  $Q^2$  — is energy scale for transverse momenta,  $q_A=p_{A'}-p_A, \ q_B=p_B-p_{B'}.$   $\langle A'\bar{A}|,|\bar{B}'B\rangle$  — impact factors.

### Möbius form of BFKL kernel

- is the kernel in the coordinate representation simplified for scattering of colorless particles. These simplifications are possible because
- impact factors for colorless particles have the following property

$$\langle A'\bar{A}|\psi\rangle=0, \quad \text{if} \quad \langle \vec{q}_1,\vec{q}_2|\psi\rangle\sim\delta(\vec{q}_1) \text{ or } \delta(\vec{q}_2),$$

i.e. in the coordinate space  $\langle \vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2 | \psi \rangle$  does not depend on  $\vec{r}_1$  or on  $\vec{r}_2$ .

■ real part of the kernel vanishes if one of the incoming reggeon momenta is equal to 0

$$\langle \vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}}_r | \vec{q}_1', \vec{q}_2' \rangle |_{\vec{q}_i' \to 0} \to 0.$$

As a result

$$\langle A'\bar{A}|\hat{\mathcal{K}}|\psi\rangle=0, \quad \text{if} \quad \langle \vec{q}_1,\vec{q}_2|\psi\rangle\sim\delta(\vec{q}_1) \text{ or } \delta(\vec{q}_2)$$

 $(\langle \vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2 | \psi \rangle$  does not depend on  $\vec{r}_1$  or on  $\vec{r}_2$ ), i.e. the kernel conserves the properties of the projectile impact factor.

### Möbius form of the kernel

It means that the second impact factor can be changed without changing the discontinuity adding to it some terms independent of one of the coordinates  $\vec{r}_1$  or  $\vec{r}_2$ . To simplify the kernel one should use such transformations to convert the second impact factor into dipole form, i.e. make it satisfy the condition

$$\langle \vec{r}', \vec{r}' | \bar{B}' B \rangle_d = 0$$
.

One can do it via the transformation

$$\langle \vec{r}_1', \vec{r}_2' | \bar{B}' B \rangle \rightarrow$$

$$\langle \vec{r}_1', \vec{r}_2' | \bar{B}' B \rangle_d = (\langle \vec{r}_1', \vec{r}_2' | -1/2 \langle \vec{r}_1', \vec{r}_1' | -1/2 \langle \vec{r}_2', \vec{r}_2' |) | \bar{B}' B \rangle.$$

■ The kernel in the coordinate representation has the form

$$\langle \vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}} | \vec{r}_1' \vec{r}_2' \rangle = A(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2; \vec{r}_1', \vec{r}_2') + \delta(\vec{r}_{1'2'}) D(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2; \vec{r}_1', \vec{r}_2'),$$

where does not have  $\delta(\vec{r}_{1'2'})$ . Adding to this matrix element some terms independent of  $\vec{r}_1$  or of  $\vec{r}_2$  one can make vanish when  $\vec{r}_1 = \vec{r}_2$ .

### Möbius form of the kernel

- Indeed,  $\langle A'\bar{A}|\hat{\mathcal{K}}^n \to \langle A'\bar{A}|(\hat{\mathcal{K}}+\hat{\mathcal{C}})^n$ , where  $\hat{\mathcal{C}}$  is the operator with matrix element independent of  $\vec{r}_1$  or of  $\vec{r}_2$ . Expanding we get all terms with  $\hat{\mathcal{C}}$  have  $\langle A'\bar{A}|\hat{\mathcal{C}}=0$  or  $\langle A'\bar{A}|\hat{\mathcal{K}}^m\hat{\mathcal{C}}=0$ .
- After this the kernel can be rewritten as

$$\hat{\mathcal{K}} \to \hat{\mathcal{K}}_m + \hat{\mathcal{D}},$$

where the matrix element  $\hat{\mathcal{K}}_m$  is equal to 0 when  $\vec{r}_1 = \vec{r}_2$ , and the matrix element  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$  has  $\delta\left(\vec{r}_{1'2'}\right)$ .

the operator  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$  can be dropped without changing the discontinuity because in  $(\hat{\mathcal{K}}_m + \hat{\mathcal{D}})^n |\bar{B}'B\rangle_d$  all terms with  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$  have

$$\hat{\mathcal{D}}|\bar{B}'B\rangle_d=0$$
 or  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}(\hat{\mathcal{K}}_m)^k|\bar{B}'B\rangle_d=0.$ 

After all these manipulations we get the kernel  $\hat{\mathcal{K}}_m$ , which is called dipole or Möbius.

### Mbius form of the kernel

So, to find the Möbius form of the kernel one has to pass the following steps:

Furier transform the kernel into the coordinate space

$$\langle \vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}} | \vec{r}_1' \vec{r}_2' \rangle = \int \frac{d^2 q_1}{2\pi} \frac{d^2 q_2}{2\pi} \frac{d^2 q_1'}{2\pi} \frac{d^2 q_2'}{2\pi} \langle \vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}} | \vec{q}_1', \vec{q}_2' \rangle e^{i[\vec{q}_1 \vec{r}_1 + \vec{q}_2 \vec{r}_2 - \vec{q}_1' \vec{r}_1' - \vec{q}_2' \vec{r}_2']}.$$

- Drop all terms proportional to  $\delta(\vec{r}_{1'2'})$ .
- Add to the kernel some terms independent of  $\vec{r}_1$  or of  $\vec{r}_2$  so that the kernel acquires the "dipole" property  $\langle \vec{r} \ \vec{r} | \hat{\mathcal{K}} | \vec{r}_1' \vec{r}_2' \rangle = 0$ .

After all these transformations in LO one gets the dipole evolution kernel

$$\langle \vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}}_m^{LO} | \vec{r}_1' \vec{r}_2' \rangle = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu) N_c}{2\pi^2} \int d\vec{\rho} \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{\vec{r}_{1\rho}^2 \vec{r}_{2\rho}^2} \left[ \delta(\vec{r}_{11'}) \delta(\vec{r}_{2'\rho}) + \delta(\vec{r}_{1'\rho}) \delta(\vec{r}_{22'}) - \delta(\vec{r}_{11'}) \delta(r_{22'}) \right]$$

Here  $\vec{r}_{i\rho} = \vec{r}_i - \vec{\rho}$ .

### Möbius form of the kernel in NLO

has the form

$$\langle \vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}}_m^{NLO} | \vec{r}_1' \vec{r}_2' \rangle = \frac{\alpha_s^2(\mu) N_c^2}{4\pi^3} \left| \delta(\vec{r}_{11'}) \delta(\vec{r}_{22'}) \int d\vec{\rho} \, g^0(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2; \rho) \right|$$

$$+\delta(\vec{r}_{11'})g(\vec{r}_1,\vec{r}_2;\vec{r}_2') + \delta(\vec{r}_{22'})g(\vec{r}_2,\vec{r}_1;\vec{r}_1') + \frac{1}{\pi}g(\vec{r}_1,\vec{r}_2;\vec{r}_1',\vec{r}_2')$$

The functions g were calculated.

#### Möbius kernel

$$g^{0}(\vec{r}_{1}, \vec{r}_{2}; \vec{\rho}) = 2\pi\zeta(3)\delta(\vec{\rho}) - g(\vec{r}_{1}, \vec{r}_{2}; \vec{\rho}),$$

$$g(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2; \vec{r}_2') = \frac{11}{6} \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{\vec{r}_{22'}^2 \vec{r}_{12'}^2} \ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{r_{\mu}^2}\right) + \frac{11}{6} \left(\frac{1}{\vec{r}_{22'}^2} - \frac{1}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{22'}^2}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2}\right)$$

$$+\frac{1}{2\vec{r}_{22'}^2}\ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{12'}^2}{\vec{r}_{22'}^2}\right)\ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2}\right) - \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{2\vec{r}_{22'}^2\vec{r}_{12'}^2}\ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{\vec{r}_{22'}^2}\right)\ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2}\right),$$

where

$$\ln r_{\mu}^{2} = 2\psi(1) - \ln \frac{\mu^{2}}{4} - \frac{3}{11} \left( \frac{67}{9} - 2\zeta(2) \right),\,$$

and  $\mu$  — is  $\overline{MS}$  renormalization scale.

The function  $g(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2; \vec{r}_2')$  is 0 when  $\vec{r}_1 = \vec{r}_2$ .

It has conformally noninvariant terms not proportional to beta-function. In this form they do not coincide with NLO BK kernel.

### Möbius kernel

$$g(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2; \vec{r}_1', \vec{r}_2') =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\vec{r}_{1'2'}^4} \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2 - 2\vec{r}_{12}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2}{d} \ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2}{\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2} \right) - 1 \right) + \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2 \ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{11'}^2}{\vec{r}_{1'2'}^2} \right)}{2\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2} + \frac{\ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2}{\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2} \right)}{4\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2} \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^4}{d} - \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{\vec{r}_{1'2'}^2} \right) + \frac{\ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2}{\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2} \right)}{2\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2} \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2 \vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2}{d} - \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2 \vec{r}_{12'}^2}{\vec{r}_{1'2'}^2} \right) + \frac{\ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2} \right)}{2\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2} + \frac{\ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2} \right)}{4\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2} + \frac{\ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2} \right)}{2\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2} + \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2 \ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2} \right)}{4\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2} + \frac{\ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2} \right)}{2\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{1'2'}^2} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2, 1' \leftrightarrow 2'),$$

where

$$d = \vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2 - \vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2.$$

This function is 0 when  $\vec{r}_1 = \vec{r}_2$  and it also has nonconformal terms.

## Freedom in the definition of the kernel

The discontinuity disc $_s\mathcal{A}_{AB}^{A'B'}$ 

$$-4i(2\pi)^{D-2}\delta(\vec{q}_A - \vec{q}_B)\mathsf{disc}_s \mathcal{A}_{AB}^{A'B'} = \langle A'\bar{A} | \left(\frac{s}{s_0}\right)^{\mathcal{K}} | \bar{B}'B \rangle$$

does not change if one changes the kernel via a nonsingular operator  $\hat{\mathcal{O}},$ 

$$\hat{\mathcal{K}} \to \hat{\mathcal{O}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{K}} \hat{\mathcal{O}} , \langle A' \bar{A} | \to \langle A' \bar{A} | \hat{\mathcal{O}} , | \bar{B}' B \rangle \to \hat{\mathcal{O}}^{-1} | \bar{B}' B \rangle .$$

In LO this operator is fixed by the requirement that LO BFKL kernel equals LO BK kernel. After fixing  $\hat{\mathcal{O}}$  in the leading order, there is residual freedom  $\hat{\mathcal{O}}=1-\hat{O}$ , where  $\hat{O}\sim g^2$ . In NLO after these transformations we get

$$\hat{\mathcal{K}} \to \hat{\mathcal{K}} - [\hat{\mathcal{K}}^{(B)}, \hat{O}]$$
,

where  $\hat{\mathcal{K}}^{(B)}$  — is LO kernel.

# Operator to eliminate the difference of BFKL and BK kernels

$$\langle \vec{q}_{1}, \vec{q}_{2} | \hat{O} | \vec{q}_{1}', \vec{q}_{2}' \rangle = \langle \vec{q}_{1}, \vec{q}_{2} | -\frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{r}^{B} \ln \hat{q}_{11'}^{2} | \vec{q}_{1}', \vec{q}_{2}' \rangle$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_{s} N_{c}}{4\pi^{2}} \delta(\vec{q}_{22'}) \delta(\vec{q}_{11'}) \int d^{2+2\epsilon} k \ln \vec{k}^{2} \left( \frac{2}{\vec{k}^{2}} - \frac{\vec{k}(\vec{k} - \vec{q}_{1})}{\vec{k}^{2} (\vec{k} - \vec{q}_{1})^{2}} - \frac{\vec{k}(\vec{k} - \vec{q}_{2})}{\vec{k}^{2} (\vec{k} - \vec{q}_{2})^{2}} \right).$$

With this operator the Möbius form of the transformed kernel

$$\hat{\mathcal{K}} - [\hat{\mathcal{K}}^B, \hat{O}],$$

coincides with the BK kernel (2010).

### Quasi-conformal kernel

Transition to the composite dipole operators of Balitsky and Chirilli equivalent to the transformation of the kernel with the operator

$$\hat{\mathcal{K}} \to \hat{\mathcal{K}}^{QC} = \hat{\mathcal{K}} - [\hat{\mathcal{K}}^B, O_1],$$

where

$$\langle \vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2 | \hat{O}_{1M} | \vec{r}_1' \vec{r}_2' \rangle =$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_s(\mu) N_c}{4\pi^2} \int d\vec{\rho} \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{\vec{r}_{1\rho}^2 \vec{r}_{2\rho}^2} \ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{\vec{r}_{1\rho}^2 \vec{r}_{2\rho}^2} \right) \left[ \delta(\vec{r}_{11'}) \delta(\vec{r}_{2'\rho}) + \delta(\vec{r}_{1'\rho}) \delta(\vec{r}_{22'}) - \delta(\vec{r}_{11'}) \delta(r_{22'}) \right],$$

It kills all nonconformal terms in the kernel which are not related to renormalization.

### Quasi-conformal kernel in QCD

$$g_{0}(\vec{r}_{1}, \vec{r}_{2}; \vec{\rho}) = 6\pi\zeta(3) \delta(\vec{\rho}) - g_{1}(\vec{r}_{1}, \vec{r}_{2}; \vec{\rho}) ,$$

$$g_{1}(\vec{r}_{1}, \vec{r}_{2}; \vec{r}_{2}') =$$

$$= \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{22'}^{2} \vec{r}_{12'}^{2}} \left[ \frac{67}{18} - \zeta(2) - \frac{5n_{f}}{9N_{c}} + \frac{\beta_{0}}{2N_{c}} \ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{12}^{2}\mu^{2}}{4e^{2\psi(1)}}\right) + \frac{\beta_{0}}{2N_{c}} \frac{\vec{r}_{12'}^{2} - \vec{r}_{22'}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{12'}^{2}} \ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{22'}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{12'}^{2}}\right) \right] ,$$

$$g(\vec{r}_{1}, \vec{r}_{2}; \vec{r}_{1}', \vec{r}_{2}') = \frac{1}{\vec{r}_{1'2'}^{4}} \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{11'}^{2} \vec{r}_{22'}^{2} - 2\vec{r}_{12}^{2} \vec{r}_{1'2'}^{2}}{d} \ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{12'}^{2} \vec{r}_{21'}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{11'}^{2} \vec{r}_{22'}^{2}}\right) - 1 \right) \left( 1 + \frac{n_{f}}{N_{c}^{3}} \right)$$

$$+ \left( \frac{3n_{f}}{2N_{c}^{3}} \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{12'}^{2} d} + \frac{1}{2\vec{r}_{11'}^{2} \vec{r}_{22'}^{2}} \left(\frac{\vec{r}_{12}^{4}}{d} - \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{12'}^{2}}\right) \right) \ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{12'}^{2} \vec{r}_{21'}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{11'}^{2} \vec{r}_{22'}^{2}}\right)$$

$$+ \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{11'}^{2} \vec{r}_{22'}^{2} \vec{r}_{12'}^{2}} \ln\left(\frac{\vec{r}_{12}^{2} \vec{r}_{12'}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{12'}^{2} \vec{r}_{21'}^{2}}\right) , \quad d = \vec{r}_{12'}^{2} \vec{r}_{21'}^{2} - \vec{r}_{11'}^{2} \vec{r}_{22'}^{2}.$$

Here  $\beta_0 = \frac{11}{3} N_c - \frac{2}{3} n_f$ .

# Conformally invariant kernel in SUSY N=4

$$\langle \vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}}_M | \vec{r}_1' \vec{r}_2' \rangle_{N=4} =$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi^2} \int d\vec{\rho} \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{\vec{r}_{1\rho}^2 \vec{r}_{2\rho}^2} \left[ \delta(\vec{r}_{11'}) \delta(\vec{r}_{2'\rho}) + \delta(\vec{r}_{1'\rho}) \delta(\vec{r}_{22'}) - \delta(\vec{r}_{11'}) \delta(r_{22'}) \right] \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha_s N_c \zeta(2)}{2\pi} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_s^2 N_c^2}{4\pi^4} \left[ \frac{1}{2\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2} \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^4}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2 - \vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2} - \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^2}{\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2} \right) \ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12'}^2 \vec{r}_{21'}^2}{\vec{r}_{11'}^2 \vec{r}_{22'}^2} \right)$$

 $+ \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{11}^{2} \vec{r}_{22}^{2} \vec{r}_{122}^{2}} \ln \left( \frac{\vec{r}_{12}^{2} \vec{r}_{1'2'}^{2}}{\vec{r}_{12}^{2} \vec{r}_{22}^{2}} \right) + 6\pi^{2} \zeta \left( 3 \right) \delta(\vec{r}_{11'}) \delta(r_{22'}) \right].$ 

- Is it possible to restore the full kernel in the momentum space from its Möbius form in the coordinate space? Will it be unique?
- Yes, if we demand
  - gauge invariance

$$\mathcal{K}_r(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2; \vec{k} = \vec{q}_1) = \mathcal{K}_r(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2; \vec{k} = -\vec{q}_2) = 0.$$

lacktriangle absence of terms proportional to  $\delta(\vec{q_1})$  or  $\delta(\vec{q_2})$  in the kernel. It fixes the residual freedom connected with such terms.

Fourier transform into momentum space

$$\langle \vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}}_M | \vec{q}_1', \vec{q}_2' \rangle = \int \frac{d\vec{r}_1}{2\pi} \frac{d\vec{r}_2}{2\pi} \frac{d\vec{r}_1'}{2\pi} \frac{d\vec{r}_2'}{2\pi} e^{-i\vec{q}_1\vec{r}_1 - i\vec{q}_2\vec{r}_2 + i\vec{q}_1'\vec{r}_1' + i\vec{q}_2'\vec{r}_2'} \langle \vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}}_M | \vec{r}_1', \vec{r}_2' \rangle$$

$$= \delta(\vec{q}_1 + \vec{q}_2 - \vec{q}_1' - \vec{q}_2') \mathcal{K}_M(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2; \vec{k}),$$

where  $\vec{k}=\vec{q}_1-\vec{q}_1'=\vec{q}_2'-\vec{q}_2$  and

$$\mathcal{K}_{M}(\vec{q}_{1}, \vec{q}_{2}; \vec{k}) = \int \frac{d\vec{r}_{11'}}{2\pi} \frac{d\vec{r}_{22'}}{2\pi} d\vec{r}_{1'2'} e^{-i\vec{q}_{1}\vec{r}_{11'} - i\vec{q}_{2}\vec{r}_{22'} - i\vec{k}\vec{r}_{1'2'}} \langle \vec{r}_{1}, \vec{r}_{2} | \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{M} | \vec{r}_{1}', \vec{r}_{2}' \rangle$$

 $\blacksquare$  subtract singularity at  $\vec{r}_{1'2'} = 0$ .

$$\mathcal{K}_{M}(\vec{q}_{1}, \vec{q}_{2}; \vec{k})_{-} = \int \frac{d\vec{r}_{11'}}{2\pi} \frac{d\vec{r}_{22'}}{2\pi} d\vec{r}_{1'2'} e^{-i\vec{q}_{1}\vec{r}_{11'} - i\vec{q}_{2}\vec{r}_{22'} - i\vec{k}\vec{r}_{1'2'}} \langle \vec{r}_{1}, \vec{r}_{2} | \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{M}^{NS} | \vec{r}_{1}', \vec{r}_{2}' \rangle$$

$$+ \int \frac{d\vec{r}_{11'}}{2\pi} \frac{d\vec{r}_{22'}}{2\pi} d\vec{r}_{1'2'} e^{-i\vec{q}_1\vec{r}_{11'} - i\vec{q}_2\vec{r}_{22'}} (e^{-i\vec{k}\vec{r}_{1'2'}} - 1) \langle \vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}}_M^S | \vec{r}_1', \vec{r}_2' \rangle.$$

since

$$\mathcal{K}_M(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2; \vec{k})_- = \mathcal{K}(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2; \vec{k})_-$$
$$-\delta(\vec{q}_2) f_1(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2, \vec{k}) - \delta(\vec{q}_1) f_2(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2, \vec{k}),$$

we should drop all terms proportional to  $\delta(\vec{q_1}), \delta(\vec{q_2})$  to get  $\mathcal{K}(\vec{q_1}, \vec{q_2}; \vec{k})_-$ .

finally, to get the full kernel we should add to  $\mathcal{K}(\vec{q}_1,\vec{q}_2;\vec{k})_-$  some terms independent of  $\vec{k}$  so that

$$\mathcal{K}_r(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2; \vec{k} = \vec{q}_1) = \mathcal{K}_r(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2; \vec{k} = -\vec{q}_2) = 0.$$

 Suppose we have two full kernels with the same Möbius form. Then their difference will have zero Möbius form and

$$\langle \vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}}^{(1)} | \vec{r}_1' \vec{r}_2' \rangle - \langle \vec{r}_1 \vec{r}_2 | \hat{\mathcal{K}}^{(2)} | \vec{r}_1' \vec{r}_2' \rangle \sim \delta(\vec{r}_1_{2})$$

i.e. the full kernels can differ only in terms independent of  $\vec{k}$  in the real part.

On the other hand, gauge invariance requires turning the difference  $\mathcal{K}^{(1)}(\vec{q}_1,\vec{q}_2;\vec{k})-\mathcal{K}^{(2)}(\vec{q}_1,\vec{q}_2;\vec{k})$  into zero at  $\vec{k}=\vec{q}_1$  and at  $\vec{k}=-\vec{q}_2$ . Therefore, it is zero identically.

### Full form for $O_1$

Using this procedure we restored the full form for matrix element of  $O_1$  in the momentum space

$$\begin{split} \langle \vec{q}_{1}, \vec{q}_{2} | \alpha_{s} \hat{O}_{1} | \vec{q}_{1}', \vec{q}_{2}' \rangle &= \delta(\vec{q}_{11'} + \vec{q}_{22'}) \frac{\alpha_{s} N_{c}}{4\pi^{2}} \left[ \frac{2}{\vec{k}^{2}} \ln(\vec{k}^{2}) + \frac{1}{\vec{q}_{1}^{2}} \ln\left(\frac{\vec{q}_{1}'^{2} \vec{q}_{2}^{2}}{\vec{k}^{2} \vec{q}^{2}}\right) \right. \\ &+ \frac{1}{\vec{q}_{2}^{2}} \ln\left(\frac{\vec{q}_{2}'^{2} \vec{q}_{1}^{2}}{\vec{k}^{2} \vec{q}^{2}}\right) + \frac{1}{\vec{k}^{2}} \ln\left(\frac{\vec{q}_{1}'^{2} \vec{q}_{2}'^{2}}{\vec{q}_{1}^{2} \vec{q}_{2}^{2}}\right) - 2 \frac{\vec{q}_{1} \vec{k}}{\vec{k}^{2} \vec{q}_{1}^{2}} \ln\left(\vec{q}_{1}'^{2}\right) + 2 \frac{\vec{q}_{2} \vec{k}}{\vec{k}^{2} \vec{q}_{2}^{2}} \ln\left(\vec{q}_{2}'^{2}\right) \\ &- 2 \frac{\vec{q}_{1} \vec{q}_{2}}{\vec{q}_{1}^{2} \vec{q}_{2}^{2}} \ln(\vec{q}^{2}) \right] - \frac{\alpha_{s} N_{c}}{4\pi^{2}} \delta(\vec{q}_{22'}) \delta\left(\vec{q}_{11'}\right) \int d\vec{l} \ln\vec{l}^{2} \left(\frac{2}{\vec{l}^{2}} - \frac{\vec{l}(\vec{l} - \vec{q}_{1})}{\vec{l}^{2}(\vec{l} - \vec{q}_{1})^{2}} \right. \\ &- \frac{\vec{l}(\vec{l} - \vec{q}_{2})}{\vec{l}^{2}(\vec{l} - \vec{q}_{2})^{2}} \right) - (\psi(1) + \ln 2) \left\langle \vec{q}_{1}, \vec{q}_{2} | \hat{\mathcal{K}}^{B} | \vec{q}_{1}', \vec{q}_{2}' \right\rangle , \end{split}$$

### **Summary**

- We found quasi-conformal Möbius BFKL kernel in NLO in coordinate representation
- We showed that the NLO BFKL kernel coincides with the linearized NLO BK kernel
- We showed that it is possible to restore full kernel in momentum space from its Möbius form