

# Why SCET?



- Advantage in understanding a physical system with energetic particles ( $B \rightarrow \pi\pi, \pi K, \dots$ , deep inelastic scattering, Drell-Yan process)
- Separate consideration of collinear and soft interactions
- Easy to implement factorization
- Can apply rigorous effective field theoretic methods like operator product expansion, renormalization group equation, etc.

$$\langle \pi | \mathcal{J}^M | 0 \rangle \quad \langle \pi | \mathcal{O}_i^M | B \rangle$$
$$\Rightarrow \langle \pi | \mathcal{J}^M | B \rangle$$

# Basic ideas of SCET $n^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 1)$ $\bar{n}^\mu = (1, 0, 0, -1)$

momentum of energetic particle  $n^2 = \bar{n}^2 = 0, n \cdot \bar{n} = 2$

$$p^2 \sim Q\Lambda \sim (Q\lambda)^2$$

$$p^\mu = \frac{n^\mu}{2} \bar{n} \cdot p + p_\perp^\mu + \frac{\bar{n}^\mu}{2} n \cdot p \sim \mathcal{O}(Q) + \mathcal{O}(Q\lambda) + \mathcal{O}(Q\lambda^2)$$

$$\lambda = \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/Q}), & \text{SCET}_I \\ \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/Q), & \text{SCET}_{II} \end{cases}$$

ultrasoft particle  $p_{us}^\mu = (\bar{n} \cdot p_{us}, p_{us,\perp}, n \cdot p_{us}) \sim Q(\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda^2)$

$$p^2 \sim \Lambda^2 \sim (Q\lambda)^2$$

soft particle

$$p_s^\mu = (\bar{n} \cdot p_s, p_{s,\perp}, n \cdot p_s) \sim Q(\lambda, \lambda, \lambda)$$

$$\lambda \sim \frac{p_\perp}{\bar{n} \cdot p}$$

- \*Interaction with ultrasoft particles do not alter the scaling of collinear momenta.
- \*Soft momenta put the collinear particle off-shell and should be integrated out.
- \*We will call usoft (ultrasoft) momenta as soft momenta.

## Effective field theory

- Integrate out the degrees of freedom of order  $Q$ .
- The dynamics describes the fluctuation of order  $Q\lambda$  or  $Q\lambda^2$ .
- Match the coefficients between the full and the effective theory.
- Construct the RG eq. to determine the running in the effective theory.

The full QCD Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \bar{\psi}i\not{D}\psi - \frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$

Decompose the collinear momentum into a label momentum and a residual momentum.

$$p^\mu = \tilde{p}^\mu + k^\mu \text{ where } \tilde{p}^\mu = \frac{n^\mu}{2}\bar{n} \cdot p + p_\perp^\mu \quad \xi_{n,p} = \frac{\not{n}\not{p}}{4}\psi_{n,p}; \quad \xi_{\bar{n},p} = \frac{\not{\bar{n}}\not{p}}{4}\psi_{n,p}$$

$$\psi(x) = \sum_{\tilde{p}} e^{-i\tilde{p}\cdot x} \psi_{n,p}(x)$$

$$= \sum_{\tilde{p}} e^{-i\tilde{p}\cdot x} \left( \frac{\not{n}\not{p}}{4} + \frac{\not{\bar{n}}\not{p}}{4} \right) \psi_{n,p}(x)$$

$$= \sum_{\tilde{p}} e^{-i\tilde{p}\cdot x} (\xi_{n,p}(x) + \xi_{\bar{n},p}(x))$$

$$\frac{\not{n}\not{p}}{4}\xi_{n,p} = \xi_{n,p}, \quad \not{n}\xi_{n,p} = 0,$$

$$\frac{\not{\bar{n}}\not{p}}{4}\xi_{\bar{n},p} = \xi_{\bar{n},p}, \quad \not{\bar{n}}\xi_{\bar{n},p} = 0.$$

From now on, summation over label momenta will be omitted, with the understanding that each term conserves the label momenta.

$$A^\mu = A_c^\mu + A_s^\mu + A_{us}^\mu \quad A_c^\mu = \sum_{\tilde{q}} e^{-i\tilde{q}\cdot x} A_{n,q}(x)$$

Eq. of motion  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \bar{\xi}_n} = 0$

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\xi}_n \frac{\not{n}}{2} \cdot iD \xi_n + \bar{\xi}_n (\not{p}_\perp + i\not{D}_\perp) \xi_{\bar{n}}$$

$$+ \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} \frac{\not{n}}{2} (\bar{n} \cdot p + i\bar{n} \cdot D) \xi_{\bar{n}} + \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} (\not{p}_\perp + i\not{D}_\perp) \xi_n$$

$$(\bar{n} \cdot p + i\bar{n} \cdot D) \xi_{\bar{n}} = (\not{p}_\perp + i\not{D}_\perp) \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n$$

$$= \bar{\xi}_n \left[ n \cdot iD + g n \cdot A_n \right.$$

$$\left. + (\not{p}_\perp + i\not{D}_\perp + g A_{n,\perp}) \frac{1}{\bar{n} \cdot p + \bar{n} \cdot iD + g \bar{n} \cdot A_n} (\not{p}_\perp + i\not{D}_\perp + g A_{n,\perp}) \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n$$

$\xi_{\bar{n}}$  is a small component.

$$\xi_{\bar{n}} = \frac{1}{\bar{n} \cdot p + i\bar{n} \cdot D} (\not{p}_\perp + i\not{D}_\perp) \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n$$

$$(\bar{\xi}_n + \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}}) i\not{D} (\xi_n + \xi_{\bar{n}}) = \bar{\xi}_n i\not{D} \xi_n + \bar{\xi}_n i\not{D} \xi_{\bar{n}} + \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} i\not{D} \xi_n + \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} i\not{D} \xi_{\bar{n}}$$

$$\bar{\xi}_n (\not{p}_\perp + i\not{D}_\perp) \frac{1}{\bar{n} \cdot p + i\bar{n} \cdot D} (\not{p}_\perp + i\not{D}_\perp) \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n$$

Expand this in powers of  $\lambda$  and  $g$ .

$$\int d^4x \bar{\psi} i \not{\partial} \psi$$

Power counting

$$\int d^4x \bar{\xi}_n i \not{n} \cdot \partial \xi_n$$

$\sim \lambda^{-4}$

$\sim \lambda^2$

$h_v$	$\xi_n$	$\bar{n} \cdot A_n$	$A_{n,\perp}$	$n \cdot A_n$	$A_s$
$\lambda^3$	$\lambda$	$\lambda^0$	$\lambda$	$\lambda^2$	$\lambda^2$

# Gauge symmetries

- SU(3) gauge symmetry in full QCD
- Various subgroups of gauge symmetries:  
collinear, soft, usoft gauge symmetries

Collinear gauge symmetry  $\partial^\mu U \sim Q(1, \lambda, \lambda^2), \quad U(x) = \sum_Q e^{-iQ \cdot x} U_Q$

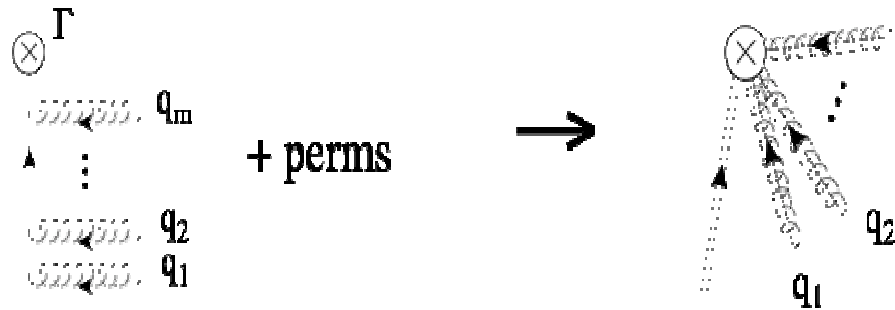
fields	collinear	soft	usoft
$\xi_n$	$U \xi_n$	$\xi_n$	$V_{us} \xi_n$
$A_n^\mu$	$U A_n^\mu U^\dagger + U [i \mathcal{D}^\mu U^\dagger] / g$	$A_n^\mu$	$V_{us} A_n^\mu V_{us}^\dagger$
$q_s$	$q_s$	$V_s q_s$	$V_{us} q_s$
$A_s^\mu$	$A_s^\mu$	$V_s (A_s^\mu + \mathcal{P}^\mu / g) V_s^\dagger$	$V_{us} A_s^\mu V_{us}^\dagger$
$q_{us}$	$q_{us}$	$q_{us}$	$V_{us} q_{us}$
$A_{u.s}^\mu$	$A_{u.s}^\mu$	$A_{u.s}^\mu$	$V_{us} (A_{u.s}^\mu + i \partial^\mu / g) V_{us}^\dagger$
$W$	$U W$	$W$	$V_{us} W V_{us}^\dagger$
$S$	$S$	$V_s S$	$V_{us} S V_{us}^\dagger$
$Y$	$Y$	$Y$	$V_{us} Y$

$\chi_n = W^\dagger \xi_n$  is collinear gauge invariant.

Define the operator  $\overline{\mathcal{P}}$

$$f(\overline{\mathcal{P}})(\phi_{q_1}^\dagger \cdots \phi_{q_m}^\dagger \phi_{p_1} \cdots \phi_{p_n}) = f(\overline{n} \cdot p_1 + \cdots + \overline{n} \cdot p_n - \overline{n} \cdot q_1 - \cdots - \overline{n} \cdot q_m)(\phi_{q_1}^\dagger \cdots \phi_{q_m}^\dagger \phi_{p_1} \cdots \phi_{p_n})$$

Define the Wilson line operator as  $W = \left[ \sum_{\text{perm}} \exp\left(-g \frac{1}{\overline{\mathcal{P}}} \overline{n} \cdot A_n\right) \right]$ .



$$f(\overline{\mathcal{P}} + g\overline{n} \cdot A_n) = W f(\overline{\mathcal{P}}) W^\dagger$$

Wilson line operator

$$W = \sum_{m=0} \sum_{\text{perm}} \frac{(-g)^m}{m!} \frac{\overline{n} \cdot A_{n,q_1} \cdots \overline{n} \cdot A_{n,q_m}}{\overline{n} \cdot q_1 \overline{n} \cdot (q_1 + q_2) \cdots \overline{n} \cdot (\sum q_i)} T^{a_m} \cdots T^{a_1}$$

$$W_n(x) = P \exp\left(ig \int_{-\infty}^x ds \overline{n} \cdot A_n(s\overline{n})\right),$$

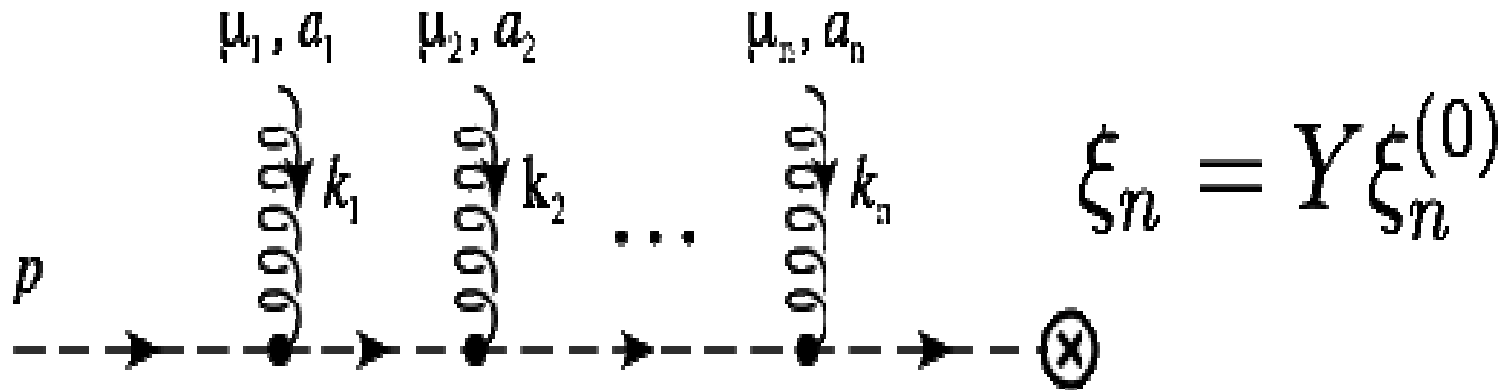
$$S(x) = P \exp\left(ig \int_{-\infty}^x ds n \cdot A_s(sn)\right),$$

$$Y(x) = P \exp\left(ig \int_{-\infty}^x ds n \cdot A_{us}(sn)\right).$$



# Usoft factorization

collinear fermion



$$Y = 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\text{perm}} \frac{(-g)^m}{m!} \frac{n \cdot A_{us}^{a_1} \cdots n \cdot A_{us}^{a_m}}{n \cdot k_1 n \cdot (k_1 + k_2) \cdots n \cdot (\sum_{i=1}^m k_i)} T^{a_m} \cdots T^{a_1}$$

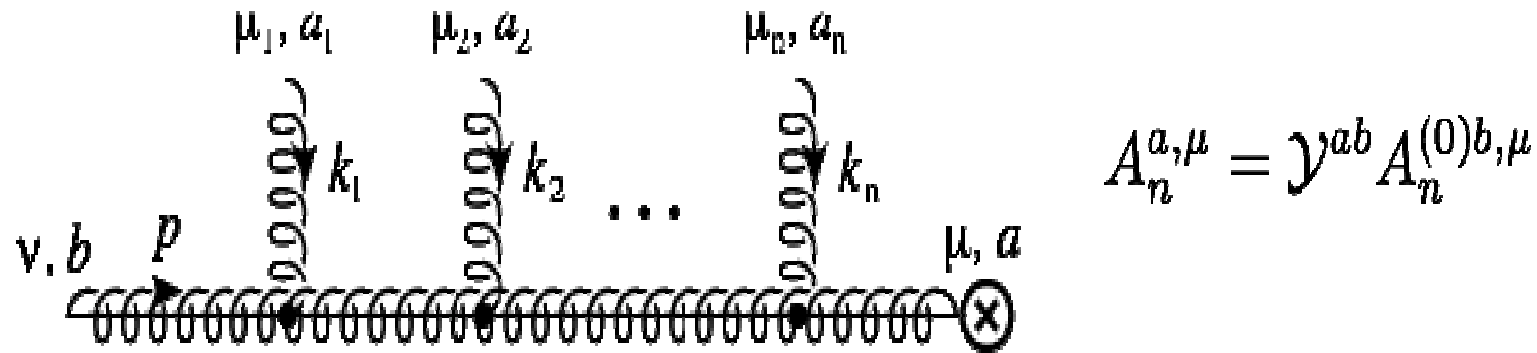
It is related to the path-ordered exponential

$$Y(x) = P \exp \left( ig \int_{-\infty}^x n \cdot A_{us}(ns) T^a \right).$$

(This will be discussed more in detail later.)

Collinear fermions are decoupled from usoft gluons.

collinear gluon



$$Y^{ab} = \delta^{ab} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\text{perm}} \frac{(ig)^m}{m!} \frac{n \cdot A_{us}^{a_1} \cdots n \cdot A_{us}^{a_m}}{n \cdot k_1 n \cdot (k_1 + k_2) \cdots n \cdot (\sum_{i=1}^m k_i)} f^{a_m a_{m-1} \dots a_2 a_1 b}$$

$$Y^{ab}(x) = \left[ P \exp \left( ig \int_{-\infty}^x ds n \cdot A_{us}^e(ns) T^e \right) \right]^{ab} \quad (T^e)^{ab} = -i f^{eab}$$

$$A_n^\mu = A_n^{b, \mu} T^b = A_n^{(0)a, \mu} Y^{ba} T^b = A_n^{(0)a, \mu} Y T^a Y^\dagger = Y A_n^{(0)a, \mu} Y^\dagger$$

$$W = \left[ \sum_{\text{perm}} \exp \left( -g \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}} Y \bar{n} \cdot A_n^{(0)} Y^\dagger \right) \right] = Y W^{(0)} Y^\dagger$$

Note that  $Y T^a Y^\dagger = Y^{ba} T^b$ . Collinear gluons are also decoupled.

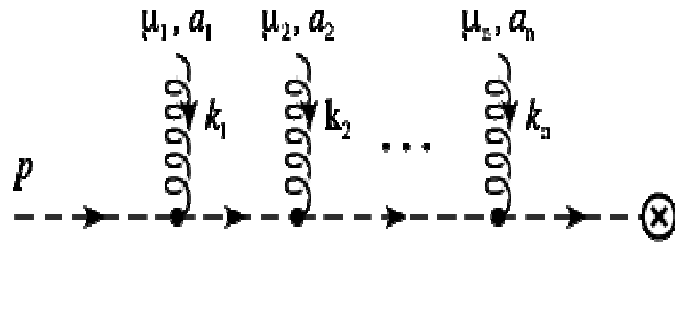
The SCET Lagrangian is written as

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}_0 &= \bar{\xi}_n \left[ n \cdot iD + gn \cdot A_n + (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp})W \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}} W^\dagger (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp}) \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n \\
&= \bar{\xi}_n^{(0)} Y^\dagger \left[ in \cdot D + gYn \cdot A_n^{(0)} Y^\dagger \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gYA_{n,\perp}^{(0)} Y^\dagger) YW^{(0)} Y^\dagger \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}} YW^{(0)\dagger} Y^\dagger (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gYA_{n,\perp}^{(0)} Y^\dagger) \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} Y \xi_n^{(0)} \\
&= \bar{\xi}_n^{(0)} \left[ Y^\dagger n \cdot iDY + gn \cdot A_n^{(0)} + (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp}^{(0)})W^{(0)} \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}} W^{(0)\dagger} (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp}^{(0)}) \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n^{(0)} \\
&= \bar{\xi}_n^{(0)} \left[ n \cdot i\partial + gn \cdot A_n^{(0)} + (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp}^{(0)})W^{(0)} \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}} W^{(0)\dagger} (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp}^{(0)}) \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} \xi_n^{(0)} \\
&\rightarrow \bar{\chi}_n \left[ n \cdot i\partial + gn \cdot A_n + W^\dagger (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp})W \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}} W^\dagger (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp})W \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} \chi_n.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = \bar{\chi}_n \left[ W^\dagger i\mathcal{D}_\perp W \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}} W^\dagger (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp})W + W^\dagger (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp})W \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}} W^\dagger i\mathcal{D}_\perp W \right] \frac{\not{n}}{2} \chi_n. \quad \text{Completely decoupled from usoft interactions}$$

collinear gauge-invariant blocks  $\chi_n = W^\dagger \xi_n, W^\dagger (\mathcal{P}_\perp + gA_{n,\perp})W, W^\dagger i\mathcal{D}_\perp W$

# Soft Wilson lines



$$Y = 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\text{perm}} \frac{(-g)^m}{m!} \frac{n \cdot A_{us}^{a_1} \cdots n \cdot A_{us}^{a_m}}{n \cdot k_1 n \cdot (k_1 + k_2) \cdots n \cdot (\sum_{i=1}^m k_i)} T^{a_m} \cdots T^{a_1}$$

$$= \left[ \sum_{\text{perm}} \exp \left( \frac{1}{n \cdot \mathcal{R} + i0} (-gn \cdot A_s) \right) \right]$$

The Fourier transform is given by  $Y(x) = P \exp \left[ ig \int_{-\infty}^x ds n \cdot A_s(ns) \right]$ .

Proof  $n \cdot A(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int dn \cdot q e^{-in \cdot q \bar{x}} n \cdot A_s(n \cdot q), (\bar{x} = \bar{n} \cdot x/2),$

$$n \cdot A_s(n \cdot q) = \int d\bar{x} e^{in \cdot q \bar{x}} n \cdot A_s(x).$$

At order  $g$

$$-\frac{g}{2\pi} \int dn \cdot q \frac{e^{-in \cdot q \bar{x}}}{n \cdot q + i0} n \cdot A_s(n \cdot q)$$

$$= -\frac{g}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\bar{y} \int dn \cdot q \frac{e^{in \cdot q(\bar{y}-\bar{x})}}{n \cdot q + i0} n \cdot A_s(\bar{y}) = ig \int_{-\infty}^{\bar{x}} d\bar{y} n \cdot A_s(\bar{y})$$

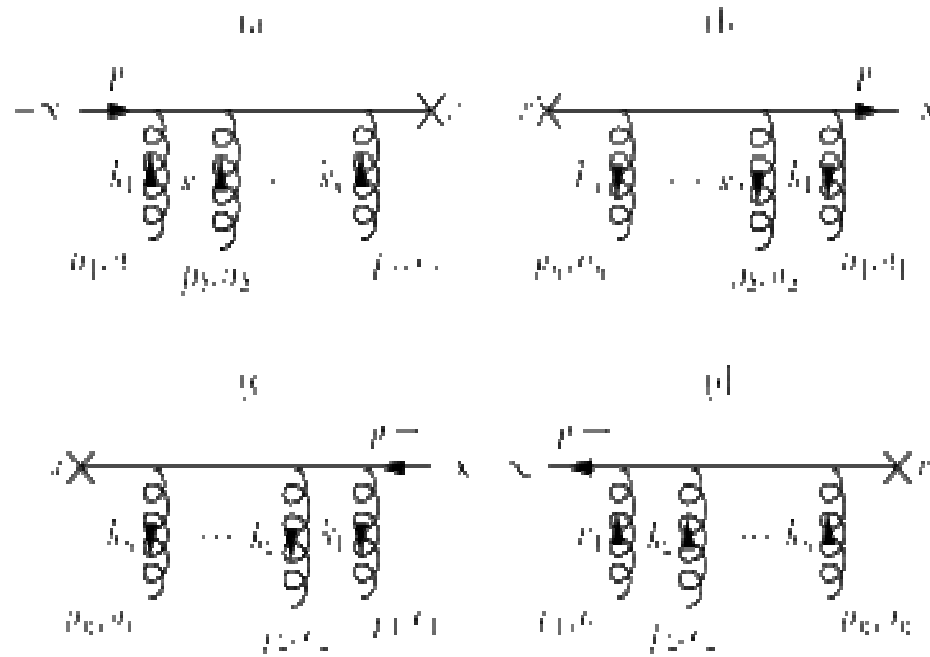
$-2\pi i \theta(\bar{x} - \bar{y})$

At order  $g^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{n \cdot \mathcal{R}} gn \cdot A_s \frac{1}{n \cdot \mathcal{R}} gn \cdot A_s \rightarrow \int \frac{dn \cdot q_1 dn \cdot q_2}{(2\pi)^2} e^{-in \cdot (q_1 + q_2) \bar{x}} \frac{gn \cdot A_s(n \cdot q_2) gn \cdot A_s(q_1)}{(n \cdot (q_1 + q_2) + i0)(n \cdot q_1 + i0)} \\
&= \int d\bar{y} d\bar{z} \int \frac{dn \cdot q_1 dn \cdot q_2}{(2\pi)^2} e^{in \cdot q_1 (\bar{y} - \bar{x})} e^{in \cdot q_2 (\bar{z} - \bar{x})} \frac{gn \cdot A_s(\bar{z}) gn \cdot A_s(\bar{y})}{(n \cdot (q_1 + q_2) + i0)(n \cdot q_1 + i0)} \\
&= \int d\bar{y} d\bar{z} gn \cdot A_s(\bar{z}) gn \cdot A_s(\bar{y}) \int \frac{dn \cdot q_1}{2\pi} \frac{e^{in \cdot q_1 (\bar{y} - \bar{x})}}{n \cdot q_1 + i0} \int \frac{dn \cdot q_2}{2\pi} \frac{e^{in \cdot q_2 (\bar{z} - \bar{x})}}{n \cdot (q_1 + q_2) + i0} \\
&= (-i)^2 \int d\bar{y} d\bar{z} gn \cdot A_s(\bar{z}) gn \cdot A_s(\bar{y}) \theta(\bar{x} - \bar{z}) \theta(\bar{z} - \bar{y}) = (-i)^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\bar{x}} d\bar{z} gn \cdot A_s(\bar{z}) \int_{-\infty}^{\bar{z}} d\bar{y} gn \cdot A_s(\bar{y}) \\
&= \frac{(-i)^2}{2!} \int_{-\infty}^{\bar{x}} d\bar{z} \int_{-\infty}^{\bar{x}} d\bar{y} P[gn \cdot A_s(\bar{z}) gn \cdot A_s(\bar{y})]
\end{aligned}$$

For the m-th term,

$$\left[ \frac{1}{n \cdot \mathcal{R} + i0} gn \cdot A_s \right]^m \rightarrow \frac{(-1)^m}{m!} \int_{-\infty}^{\bar{x}} d\bar{y}_1 \cdots d\bar{y}_m P[gn \cdot A_s(\bar{y}_1) \cdots gn \cdot A_s(\bar{y}_m)]$$



type	Wilson line	Fourier transform
(a):	$Y = \exp\left[\frac{1}{n \cdot \mathcal{P} + i\epsilon}(-gn \cdot A_s)\right]$	$Y(x) = P \exp\left[ig \int_{-\infty}^x ds n \cdot A_s(ns)\right]$
(b):	$\tilde{Y}^\dagger = \exp\left[-gn \cdot A_s \frac{1}{n \cdot \mathcal{P}^\dagger + i\epsilon}\right]$	$\tilde{Y}^\dagger(x) = P \exp\left[ig \int_x^{\infty} ds n \cdot A_s(ns)\right]$
(c):	$\tilde{Y} = \exp\left[\frac{1}{n \cdot \mathcal{P} - i\epsilon}(-gn \cdot A_s)\right]$	$\tilde{Y}(x) = \bar{P} \exp\left[-ig \int_x^{\infty} ds n \cdot A_s(ns)\right]$
(d):	$Y^\dagger = \exp\left[-gn \cdot A_s \frac{1}{n \cdot \mathcal{P}^\dagger - i\epsilon}\right]$	$Y^\dagger(x) = \bar{P} \exp\left[-ig \int_{-\infty}^x ds n \cdot A_s(ns)\right]$