

Introduction: Collinear and TMD Factorization for Drell-Yan Production

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This talk describes some general considerations to help set the stage for the workshop. Most of what is included applies to both spin averaged and spin-dependent cross sections. In summary: Factorization in quantum field theory is closely related to classical considerations. Differences between initial- and final-state gauge links are consistent with this factorization. There is a well-developed theory of factorization for Drell-Yan, including transverse momentum (Q_T) dependence. The ‘QCD-inclusive’ nature of Drell-Yan production maintains the underlying factorization. Nonperturbative effects play an essential role at low Q_T and should be thought of as an integral part of the formalism. The stage is set for a new phenomenology to explore the transverse-momentum dependent and spin-sensitive parton distributions.

I. Drell-Yan Production in the Parton Model

- The original ‘collinear factorization’
- In the parton model (1970).
Drell and Yan: look for the annihilation of quark pairs into virtual photons of mass Q ... any electroweak boson in NN scattering.

$$\frac{d\sigma_{NN \rightarrow \mu\bar{\mu}+X}(Q, p_1, p_2)}{dQ^2 d\dots} \sim \int d\xi_1 d\xi_2 \sum_{a=q\bar{q}} \frac{d\sigma_{a\bar{a} \rightarrow \mu\bar{\mu}}^{\text{EW, Born}}(Q, \xi_1 p_1, \xi_2 p_2)}{dQ^2 d\dots} \\ \times (\text{probability to find parton } a(\xi_1) \text{ in } N) \\ \times (\text{probability to find parton } \bar{a}(\xi_2) \text{ in } N)$$

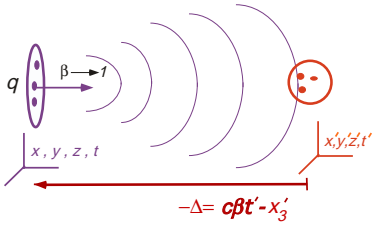
The probabilities are $\phi_{q/N}(\xi_i)$'s from DIS

2. The Physical Basis of Factorization

- ‘Collinear factorization’ for hadron-hadron scattering for a hard, inclusive process with momentum transfer M to produce final state $F + X$:

$$d\sigma_{H_1 H_2}(p_1, p_2, M) = \sum_{a,b} \int_0^1 d\xi_a d\xi_b d\hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow F+X}(\xi_a p_1, \xi_b p_2, M, \mu) \times \phi_{a/H_1}(\xi_a, \mu) \phi_{b/H_2}(\xi_b, \mu)$$

- Factorization proofs: justifying the “universality” of the parton distributions.



field

x frame

x' frame

scalar

$$\frac{q}{|\vec{x}|}$$

$$\frac{q}{(x_T^2 + \gamma^2 \Delta^2)^{1/2}} \sim \frac{1}{\gamma}$$

gauge (0)

$$A^0(x) = \frac{q}{|\vec{x}|}$$

$$A'^0(x') = \frac{-q\gamma}{(x_T^2 + \gamma^2 \Delta^2)^{1/2}} \sim \gamma^0$$

field strength

$$E_3(x) = \frac{q}{|\vec{x}|^2}$$

$$E'_3(x') = \frac{-q\gamma\Delta}{(x_T^2 + \gamma^2 \Delta^2)^{3/2}} \sim \frac{1}{\gamma^2}$$

- The “gluon field” A'^{μ} is enhanced, yet is a total derivative:

$$A'^{\mu} = q \frac{\partial}{\partial x'_{\mu}} \ln(\Delta(t', x'_3)) + \mathcal{O}(1 - \beta) \sim A'^{-}$$

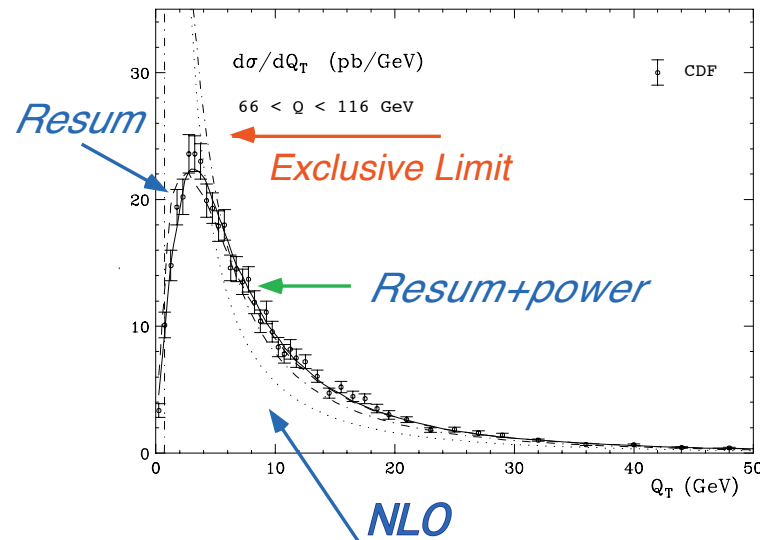
- The “large” part of A'^{μ} can be removed by a gauge transformation!

4. TMD Factorization for Drell-Yan Production

- Q_T factorized cross sections: the motivation
- Low Q_T Drell-Yan & Higgs at leading log (LL) ($\alpha_s^n \ln^{2n-1} Q_T$)

$$\frac{d\sigma(Q)}{dQ_T} \sim \frac{d}{dQ_T} \exp \left[-\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} C_F \ln^2 \left(\frac{Q}{Q_T} \right) \right]$$

$(C_F = 4/3)$



- Window to nonperturbative distributions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 E^{\text{soft}} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\mu_I^2} \frac{d^2 k_T}{k_T^2} A_q(\alpha_s(k_T)) \ln \left(\frac{Q^2}{k_T^2} \right) (e^{i\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{k}_T} - 1) \\
 &\sim - \int_0^{\mu_I^2} \frac{dk_T^2}{k_T^2} (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{k}_T)^2 A_q(\alpha_s(k_T)) \ln \left(\frac{Q^2}{k_T^2} \right) + \dots \\
 &\sim - b^2 \int dk_T^2 A_q(\alpha_s(k_T)) \ln \left(\frac{Q^2}{k_T^2} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\theta(k_T - 1/b) \Rightarrow (e^{i\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{k}_T} - 1)$; in fact, correct to all orders,

Note the expansion is for b “small enough” only.