Prompt photon production at high energies with k_{τ} -factorization

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Introduction

Prompt photon's are:

- coupled to the interacting quarks
- provide a clear information about the QCD dynamics
- insensitive to the effects of final state hadronization
- sensitive to the parton distribution functions (PDFs)



Production mechanism at HERA

direct events

deep inelastic Compton scattering (DIC)

- resolved events
 - $q + g \rightarrow \gamma + q$
 - $g + q \rightarrow \gamma + q$
 - $q + \overline{q} \to \gamma + g$
- □ fragmentation processes described in terms of the partonto-photon fragmentation functions $D_{p\to\gamma}(z,\mu^2)$



Isolation

- huge background from the secondary photons produced by the π , η and ω decays
- □ fragmentation functions $D_{p \rightarrow \gamma}(z, \mu^2)$ relatively poorly known

Isolation criterion is introduced:

 $E_T^{\text{had}} \le E_T^{\text{max}} = \mathcal{E}E_T^{\gamma}$ $(\eta - \eta^{\gamma})^2 + (\phi - \phi^{\gamma})^2 \le R^2$

This criterion substantial (up to 5-6%) reduces the fragmentation contribution

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NLO pQCD calculations

- 30–40% below the HERA data (specially in the rear η^{γ} region)
- not describe the shape of transverse energy E_T^{γ} distribution at Tevatron
- □ not describe the ratio of cross sections $\sigma(630 \,\text{GeV}) / \sigma(1800 \,\text{GeV})$ at Tevatron

These disagreements is hard to explain by the conventional theoretical uncertainties

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k_T - smearing?

- additional intrinsic transverse momentum k_T of the incoming partons is introduced in NLO calculations
- □ it is assumed that this k_T have a Gaussian-like distribution
- \Box $\langle k_T \rangle \sim 0.5 \,\text{GeV}$ at UA6 and $\langle k_T \rangle \sim 2 \,\text{GeV}$ at Tevatron
- such large partonic k_T must have a significant perturbative QCD component
- full kinematics of the subprocess is not taken into account

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Another possibility

Simple k_T -smearing picture can be modified in the framework of k_T -factorization (or semihard) approach of QCD

In this approach, the partonic transverse momentum is generated in the course of the non-collinear parton evolution

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k_T —factorization approach

- based on the BFKL or CCFM evolution equations
- \Box can incorporate the leading $\ln 1/x$ terms
- \Box can be used in the both large and small x regions
- takes into account true kinematics of the partonic subprocess even at leading order
- has been applied already to a number of different processes

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Collinear evolution

DGLAP equations

 $\frac{\partial q_i(x,\mu^2)}{\partial \ln(\mu^2/\Lambda^2)} = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} \Big[P_{qq}^{(0)}(x/y) q_i(y,\mu^2) + P_{qg}^{(0)}(x/y) g(y,\mu^2) \Big]$ $\frac{\partial g(x,\mu^2)}{\partial \ln(\mu^2/\Lambda^2)} = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} \Big[P_{gq}^{(0)}(x/y) q_i(y,\mu^2) + P_{gg}^{(0)}(x/y) g(y,\mu^2) \Big]$

take into account $\ln \mu^2$ terms only (in LLA)

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Non-collinear evolution

BFKL equation

$$f_g(x,k_T^2) = f_g^{(0)}(x,k_T^2) + \overline{\alpha}_S k_T^2 \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} \int_{k_{T_0}^2}^\infty \frac{dk_T'^2}{k_T'^2} \left[\frac{f_g(x/y,k_T'^2) - f_g(x/y,k_T^2)}{\left|k_T'^2 - k_T^2\right|} + \frac{f_g(x/y,k_T^2)}{\sqrt{4k_T'^4 + k_T^4}} \right]$$

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CCFM equation

$$A(x,k_T^2,\overline{q}^2) = A^{(0)}(x,k_T^2,\overline{q}^2) + \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} \int \frac{d^2q}{\pi q^2} \theta(\overline{q}-yq) \Delta_s(\overline{q},yq) P(y,k_T^2,\overline{q}^2) A(x/y,k_T^2,q^2)$$

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Other properties

off-shell partonic cross section

$$\varepsilon^{\mu\nu} = \frac{k_T^{\mu}k_T^{\nu}}{k_T^2}, \quad \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu} d\phi = \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu}$$

 main part of the collinear high-order corrections is already included at LO level
 visible effects in predictions due to non-zero partonic k_T

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Unintegrated PDFs

numerical or analytical solution of the non-collinear evolution equations

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JB (BFKL)
KMS (unified DGLAP-BFKL)
J2003 set 1 – 3 (CCFM)
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can be obtained from the conventional PDFs KMR approach

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KMR approach

- provide us the unintegrated quark distribution
- valid for a proton as well as a photon
- accounts for the angular ordering which comes from coherence effect in gluon emission
- \square µ-dependence enters at the last step of the evolution
- single scale (DGLAP or unified BFKL-DGLAP) equations can be used up to last evolution step

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KMR approach

Unintegrated quark and gluon distributions

$$f_{g}(x,k_{T}^{2},\mu^{2}) = T_{g}(k_{T}^{2},\mu^{2}) \frac{\alpha_{S}(k_{T}^{2})}{2\pi} \int_{x}^{1} dz \left[\sum_{q} P_{qg}(z)(x/z)q(x/z,k_{T}^{2}) + P_{gg}(z)(x/z)g(x/z,k_{T}^{2})\theta(\Delta-z) \right]$$

$$f_{q}(x,k_{T}^{2},\mu^{2}) = T_{q}(k_{T}^{2},\mu^{2}) \frac{\alpha_{S}(k_{T}^{2})}{2\pi} \int_{x}^{1} dz \left[P_{qq}(z)(x/z)q(x/z,k_{T}^{2})\theta(\Delta-z) + P_{qg}(z)(x/z)g(x/z,k_{T}^{2})\theta(\Delta-z) \right]$$

Sudakov form factors

$$\ln T_{g}(k_{T}^{2},\mu^{2}) = -\int_{k_{T}^{2}}^{\mu^{2}} \frac{dp_{T}^{2}}{p_{T}^{2}} \frac{\alpha_{s}(p_{T}^{2})}{2\pi} \Big[n_{f} \int dz \ P_{qg}(z) + \int dz \ z P_{gg}(z) \Big]$$
$$\ln T_{q}(k_{T}^{2},\mu^{2}) = -\int_{k_{T}^{2}}^{\mu^{2}} \frac{dp_{T}^{2}}{p_{T}^{2}} \frac{\alpha_{s}(p_{T}^{2})}{2\pi} \int dz \ P_{qq}(z)$$

Angular-ordering constraint $\Delta = \mu/(\mu + k_T)$ give possibility to extent the KMR parton densities into region $k_T^2 > \mu^2$

KMR u.g.d. as a function of x

a) $k_T^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ b) $k_T^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ c) $k_T^2 = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$ d) $k_T^2 = 50 \text{ GeV}^2$



KMR u.g.d. as a function of k_T

a) $x = 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$ b) $x = 1 \cdot 10^{-3}$ c) $x = 1 \cdot 10^{-2}$ d) $x = 1 \cdot 10^{-1}$



Prompt photon production at HERA

- inclusive and associated with jet prompt photon photoproduction
- both direct and resolved photon contributions are taken into account
- gauge invariant partonic cross sections (off-shell gluons and on-shell quarks)
- conservative error analysis has been performed
- estimation of the fragmentation component (about 5%)
- contributions from the quark box diagram (which are formally NNLO level) are neglected

Cross sections

direct production

$$\sigma^{(\text{dir})}(\gamma + p \to \gamma + X) = \sum_{q} \int \frac{E_T^{\gamma}}{8\pi (x_2 s)^2 (1 - \alpha)} \left| \overline{M} \right|^2 (\gamma + q \to \gamma + q) f_q(x_2, k_{2T}^2, \mu^2) dy^{\gamma} dE_T^{\gamma} dk_{2T}^2 \frac{d\phi_2}{2\pi} \frac{d\phi^{\gamma}}{2\pi}$$

resolved photon production

$$\sigma^{(\text{res})}(\gamma + p \to \gamma + X) = \sum_{a,b} \int \frac{E_T^{\gamma}}{8\pi (x_1 x_2 s)^2} \left| \overline{M} \right|^2 (a + b \to \gamma + c) f_a^{\gamma}(x_1, k_{1T}^2, \mu^2) f_b(x_2, k_{2T}^2, \mu^2) \times dk_{1T}^2 dk_{2T}^2 dE_T^{\gamma} dy^{\gamma} dy^c \frac{d\phi_1}{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_2}{2\pi} \frac{d\phi^{\gamma}}{2\pi}$$

photon flux in the electron

$$d\sigma(e+p \to e+\gamma+X) = \int f_{\gamma/e}(y) d\sigma(\gamma+p \to \gamma+X) dy$$
$$f_{\gamma/e}(y) = \frac{\alpha_{em}}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1+(1-y)^2}{y} \ln \frac{Q_{\max}^2}{Q_{\min}^2} + 2m_e^2 y \left(\frac{1}{Q_{\max}^2} - \frac{1}{Q_{\min}^2} \right) \right)$$

Numerical results

Set of parameters:

- □ factorization and renormalization scales $\mu = \xi E_T^{\gamma}$ $\xi = 1/2$... $\xi = 2$ (default value $\xi = 1$)
- □ LO $\alpha_s(\mu^2)$ with $n_f = 3$ active (massless) quark flavours

$$\Lambda_{\rm QCD} = 232 \,\text{MeV}$$
, such that $\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1169$

$$m_c = 1.4 \,\text{GeV}$$
, $m_b = 4.75 \,\text{GeV}$





 $E_T^{\gamma} > 5 \,\text{GeV}, \ -1 < \eta^{\gamma} < 0.9, \ 0.2 < y < 0.7$

 $E_T^{\gamma} > 5 \,\text{GeV}, \ -0.7 < \eta^{\gamma} < 0.9, \ 0.2 < y < 0.9$

η^{γ} - distribution (inclusive)



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 $5 < E_T^{\gamma} < 10 \,\text{GeV}, -1 < \eta^{\gamma} < 0.9, 0.2 < y < 0.7, -1 < \eta^{\text{jet}} < 2.3, E_T^{\text{jet}} > 4.5 \,\text{GeV}$



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γ + jet production (ZEUS, EPJ C 49, 511 (2007), hep-ex/0608028)



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The k_{T} -factorization

- \Box describes better the lowest E_T^{γ} region
- □ the shape η^{γ} of the c.s. is closer to the data
- the η^{jet} c.s. in forward region is better reproduced by our calculations
- □ However the observed c.s. is still above the k_{τ} -factorization prediction due to the poor description of the low E_{τ}^{jet} and large x_{γ}^{obs} region

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Prompt photon hadroproduction

- inclusive prompt photon hadroproduction at Tevatron at $\sqrt{s} = 630 \text{ GeV}$ and $\sqrt{s} = 1800 \text{ GeV}$
- prompt photon and associated muon production (due to Compton scattering where the final heavy quark produces a muon)
- comparison of our results with the recent D0 and CDF data
- same set of parameters which has been used in description of the HERA data
- extrapolation of our results to LHC energies





Ratio of cross sections



Associated $\gamma + \mu$ production





Predictions for LHC

Conclusions

- k_T -factorization approach of QCD gives a reasonable description of the recent HERA and Tevatron data
- we demonstrate that k_T-factorization effectively includes the main part of the collinear high-order corrections
- scale dependence of our results is about 10-15%
- Realistic predictions at LHC