

Inclusive Higgs-Jet production in high-energy hadron collisions

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Motivation

-  Semi-hard processes in the large center-of-mass energy limit gives us an opportunity to further test the perturbative QCD
-  The high-energy limit $s \gg Q^2 \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$: $\Rightarrow \alpha_s(Q) \ln s/Q^2 \sim 1$ need to be resummed
-  The Balitsky-Fadin-Kuraev-Lipatov (BFKL) approach provides a general framework for this resummation: it predicts a peculiar behavior of amplitudes at high energies and is expected to precede the onset of saturation physics.
-  Clearly, a significant question for collider phenomenology is measuring dependably at which energies the BFKL dynamics becomes significant and cannot be overlooked.
-  However, experimental evidences of the BFKL dynamics are not conclusive, thus motivating the proposal of new probes.
-  Here, we suggest a new one in the inclusive hadroproduction Higgs + jet separated in rapidity.

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BFKL Resummation..

BFKL resummation:

leading logarithmic approximation (LLA): $\alpha_s^n (\ln s)^n$

next-to-leading logarithmic approximation (NLA): $\alpha_s^{n+1} (\ln s)^n$

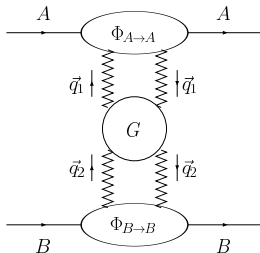
[Ya.Ya. Balitsky, V.S. Fadin, E.A. Kuraev, L.N. Lipatov (1975)]

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BFKL factorization:

$$\sigma_{AB}(s) = \int_{\delta-i\infty}^{\delta+i\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \int \frac{d^2 q_2}{2\pi \vec{q}_2^2} \int \frac{d^2 q_1}{2\pi \vec{q}_1^2} \left(\frac{s}{s_0}\right)^\omega$$

$$\times \Phi_A(\vec{q}_1, s_0) \quad G_\omega(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2) \quad \Phi_B(-\vec{q}_2, s_0)$$



- **Green's function** is **process-independent**
 - determined through the **BFKL equation**
- **Impact factors** are **process-dependent**
 - known in the NLA just for limited cases.

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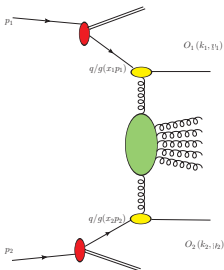
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Search for BFKL dynamics in inclusive processes

Process: proton(p_1) + proton(p_2) \rightarrow $O_1(\vec{k}_1, y_1)$ + X + $O_2(\vec{k}_2, y_2)$,

where $O_{1,2}$ are emitted with **high** $k_{1,2} \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$, and **large rapidity** separation $\Delta Y = |y_1 - y_2|$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_{O_1} dx_{O_2} d^2 k_{O_1} d^2 k_{O_2}} = \sum_{i,j=q,\bar{q},g} \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 f_i(x_1, \mu) f_j(x_2, \mu) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{i,j}(x_1 x_2 s, \mu)}{dx_{O_1} dx_{O_2} d^2 k_{O_1} d^2 k_{O_2}}$$



- slight change of variable in the final state
- project onto the eigenfunctions of the LO BFKL kernel, i.e. transfer from the reggeized gluon momenta to the (n, ν) -representation
- suitable definition of the **azimuthal coefficients**

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_{O_1} dx_{O_2} d|\vec{k}_{O_1}| d|\vec{k}_{O_2}| d\phi_{O_1} d\phi_{O_2}} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \left[C_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2 \cos(n\phi) C_n \right]$$

with $\phi = \phi_{O_1} - \phi_{O_2} - \pi$

Azimuthal coefficients

$$C_n \equiv \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_{O_1} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_{O_2} \cos[n(\phi_{O_1} - \phi_{O_2} - \pi)] \frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d|\vec{k}_{O_1}| d|\vec{k}_{O_2}| d\phi_1 d\phi_2}$$

$$= \frac{e^{\Delta Y}}{s} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\nu \left(\frac{x_{O_1} x_{O_2} s}{s_0} \right)^{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R)} \left\{ \bar{\chi}(n, \nu) + \bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_R) \left[\bar{\chi}(n, \nu) + \frac{\beta_0}{8N_c} \chi(n, \nu) \left[-\chi(n, \nu) + \frac{10}{3} + 2 \ln \left(\frac{\mu_R^2}{\sqrt{k_{O_1}^2 k_{O_2}^2}} \right) \right] \right] \right\}$$

$$\times \alpha_s^2(\mu_R) c_1(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_{O_1}|, x_{O_1}) [c_2(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_{O_2}|, x_{O_2})]^*$$

$$\times \left\{ 1 + \alpha_s(\mu_R) \left[\frac{c_1^{(1)}(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_{O_1}|, x_{O_1})}{c_1(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_{O_1}|, x_{O_1})} + \left[\frac{c_2^{(1)}(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_{O_2}|, x_{O_2})}{c_2(n, \nu, |\vec{k}_{O_2}|, x_{O_2})} \right]^* \right] \right\}$$

$$+ \bar{\alpha}_s^2(\mu_R) \ln \left(\frac{x_{O_1} x_{O_2} s}{s_0} \right) \frac{\beta_0}{4N_c} \chi(n, \nu) f(\nu) \} .$$

- **Rapidity gap:** $\Delta Y = \ln \frac{x_{O_1} x_{O_2} s}{|\vec{k}_{O_1}| |\vec{k}_{O_2}|}$
- **LO BFKL kernel:**

$$\chi(n, \nu) = 2 \left\{ \psi(1) - \psi \left(\frac{n+1}{2} + i\nu \right) \right\}, \quad \psi(z) \equiv \Gamma'(z)/\Gamma(z)$$

- **NLO correction to the BFKL kernel**

Typical BFKL observables

Integrated coefficients over the phase space for the two emitted objects, $O_{1,2}(\vec{k}_{1,2}, y_{1,2})$, while their rapidity distance, $\Delta Y = y_1 - y_2$, is kept fixed

$$C_n^{NLA/LLA}(\Delta Y, s) = \int_{k_1^{\min}}^{k_1^{\max}} d|\vec{k}_1| \int_{k_2^{\min}}^{k_2^{\max}} d|\vec{k}_2| \int_{y_1^{\min}}^{y_1^{\max}} dy_1 \int_{y_2^{\min}}^{y_2^{\max}} dy_2 \delta(y_1 - y_2 - \Delta Y) C_n^{NLA/LLA}$$

● Observables:

- ϕ -averaged cross section C_0 and the ratio

$$\langle \cos [n(\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle \equiv \frac{C_n}{C_0}, \text{ with } n = 1, 2, 3$$

- Azimuthal-correlation moments

$$\frac{\langle \cos [2(\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle}{\langle \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi) \rangle} \equiv \frac{C_2}{C_1} \equiv R_{21}, \quad \frac{\langle \cos [3(\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle}{\langle \cos [2(\phi_1 - \phi_2 - \pi)] \rangle} \equiv \frac{C_3}{C_2} \equiv R_{32}.$$

→ minimise further any **contamination** from collinear logarithms

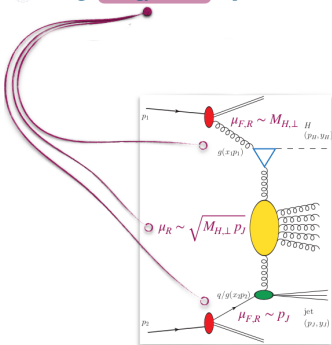
Inclusive Higgs-plus-jet production at the LHC

Process:

$$\text{proton}(p_1) + \text{proton}(p_2) \rightarrow H(\vec{p}_H, y_H) + X + \text{jet}(\vec{p}_J, y_J)$$

[F. G. Celiberto, D. Yu. Ivanov, M. M. A. M., A. Papa, (2020)]

- Inclusive h.p. of a Higgs + jet system with high p_T and large rapidity separation, Y
- Large **energy scales** expected to **stabilize** the high-energy resummed series



$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{rs}(x_1 x_2 s, \mu)}{dy_H dy_J d^2\vec{p}_H d^2\vec{p}_J} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \\ & \times \int \frac{d^2\vec{q}_1}{\vec{q}_1^2} \mathcal{V}_H^{(r)}(\vec{q}_1, s_0, x_1, \vec{p}_H) \\ & \times \int_{\delta-i\infty}^{\delta+i\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{x_1 x_2 s}{s_0} \right)^\omega \mathcal{G}_\omega(\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2) \\ & \times \int \frac{d^2\vec{q}_2}{\vec{q}_2^2} \mathcal{V}_J^{(s)}(\vec{q}_2, s_0, x_2, \vec{p}_J) \end{aligned}$$

BFKL gluon Green's function

Cross section and azimuthal coefficients

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_H dy_J d|\vec{p}_H| d|\vec{p}_J| d\varphi_H d\varphi_J} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \left[C_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2 \cos(n\phi) C_n \right]$$

$$C_n \equiv \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi_H \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi_J \cos(n\varphi) \frac{d\sigma}{dy_H dy_J d|\vec{p}_H| d|\vec{p}_J| d\varphi_H d\varphi_J}$$

$$= \frac{e^{\Delta Y} M_{H,\perp}}{s |\vec{p}_H|}$$

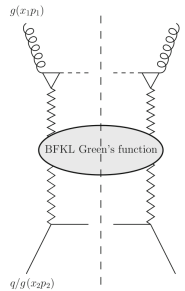
$$\times \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\nu \left(\frac{x_J x_{HS}}{s_0} \right)^{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_{R_c})} \left\{ \chi(n, \nu) + \bar{\alpha}_s(\mu_{R_c}) \left[\bar{\chi}(n, \nu) + \frac{\beta_0}{8N_c} \chi(n, \nu) \left[-\chi(n, \nu) + \frac{10}{3} + 4 \ln \left(\frac{\mu_{R_c}}{\sqrt{|\vec{p}_H \vec{p}_J}} \right) \right] \right] \right\}$$

$$\times \left\{ \alpha_s(\mu_{R_1}) c_H(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_H|, x_H) \right\} \left\{ \alpha_s(\mu_{R_2}) [c_J(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_J|, x_J)]^* \right\}$$

$$\times \left\{ 1 + \alpha_s(\mu_{R_1}) \frac{c_H^{(1)}(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_H|, x_H)}{c_H(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_H|, x_H)} + \alpha_s(\mu_{R_2}) \left[\frac{c_J^{(1)}(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_J|, x_J)}{c_J(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_J|, x_J)} \right]^* \right\},$$

$$c_H(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_H|, x_H) = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{|\mathcal{F}(\vec{p}_H^2)|^2}{128\pi^3 \sqrt{2(N_c^2 - 1)}} (\vec{p}_H^2)^{i\nu+1/2} f_g(x_H, \mu_{F_1})$$

$$c_J(n, \nu, |\vec{p}_J|, x_J) = 2\sqrt{\frac{C_F}{C_A}} (\vec{p}_J^2)^{i\nu-1/2} \left(\frac{C_A}{C_F} f_g(x_J, \mu_{F_2}) + \sum_{a=q,\bar{q}} f_a(x_J, \mu_{F_2}) \right).$$



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Observables and kinematics

- ϕ -averaged cross section C_0

$$C_n(\Delta Y, s) = \int_{p_H^{\min}}^{p_H^{\max}} d|\vec{p}_H| \int_{p_J^{\min}}^{p_J^{\max}} d|\vec{p}_J| \int_{y_H^{\min}}^{y_H^{\max}} dy_H \int_{y_J^{\min}}^{y_J^{\max}} dy_J \delta(y_H - y_J - \Delta Y) C_n,$$

- p_H -distribution:

$$\frac{d\sigma(|\vec{p}_H|, \Delta Y, s)}{d|\vec{p}_H|d\Delta Y} = \int_{p_J^{\min}}^{p_J^{\max}} d|\vec{p}_J| \int_{y_H^{\min}}^{y_H^{\max}} dy_H \int_{y_J^{\min}}^{y_J^{\max}} dy_J \delta(y_H - y_J - \Delta Y) C_0,$$

with $|y_H| < 2.5, |y_J| < 4.7$ inside the CMS rapidity acceptances.

sym-
metric

$$20 < \text{GeV } |\vec{p}_{H,J}| < 60 \text{ GeV}$$

- An appropriate region to Search for pure **BFKL** signal.

asym-
metric

$$10 < \text{GeV } |\vec{p}_H| < 2m_t \text{ GeV} \\ 20 < \text{GeV } |\vec{p}_J| < 60 \text{ GeV}$$

- The realistic LHC cuts.

disjoint
windows

$$60 < \text{GeV } |\vec{p}_H| < 2m_t \text{ GeV} \\ 20 < \text{GeV } |\vec{p}_J| < 60 \text{ GeV}$$

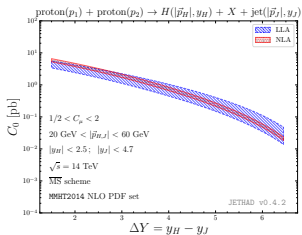
- Maximum exclusiveness in the final state.

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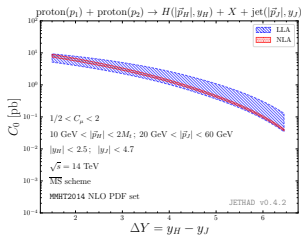
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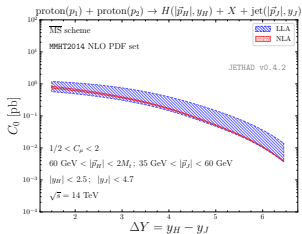
ΔY -dependence of the ϕ -averaged cross section in the three considered p_T -range



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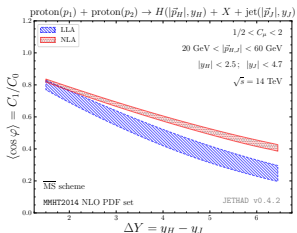
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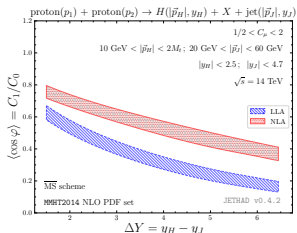
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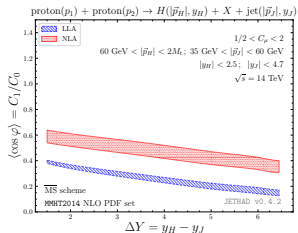
Azimuthal-correlation moments $R_{10} \equiv C_1/C_0$ in the three considered p_T -range



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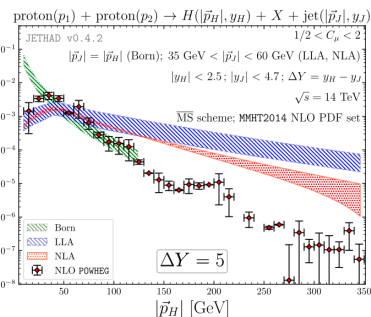
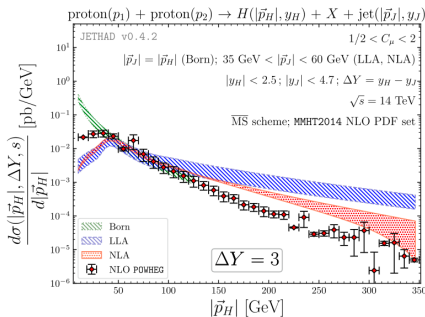
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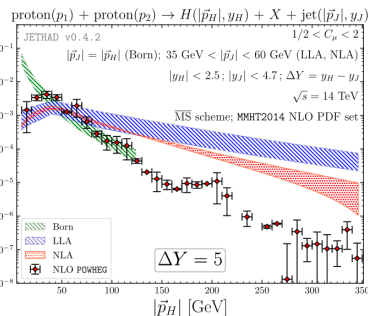
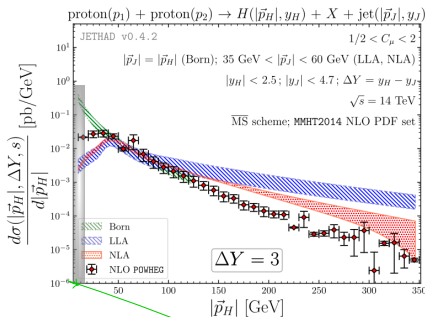
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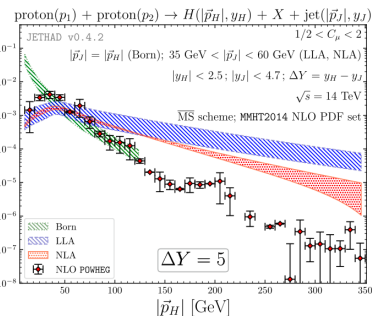
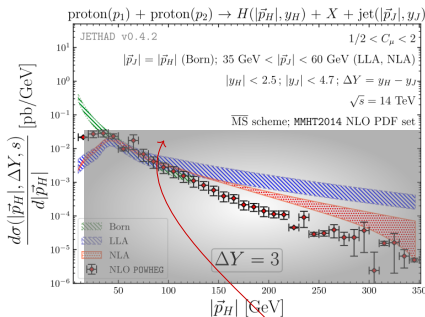
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- Dominated by large p_T -logs: \rightarrow all-order resummation needed

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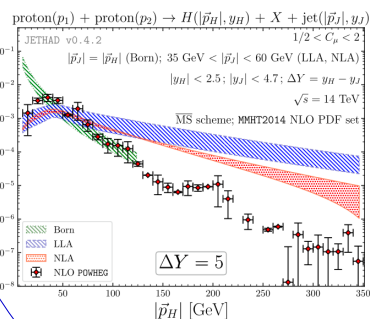
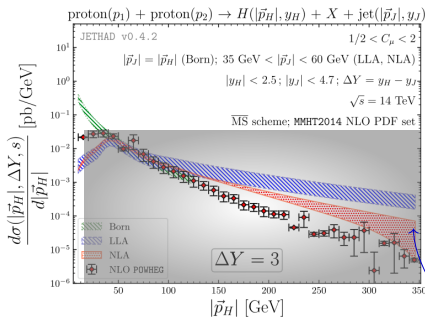
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- Expected BFKL semi-hard regime:

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- DGLAP-type logs + threshold effects → BFKL decoupling:

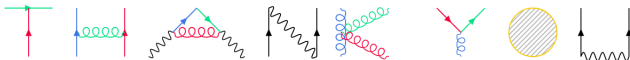
Conclusions

- **Inclusive processes** with tagged objects (jets and/or identified hadrons, Higgs, ...) in the final state featuring large **rapidity separation** are a promising **testfield** for the search of BFKL dynamics in current and future colliders.
- The different nature of the final state tagged particles affords us opportunity to access naturally **asymmetric** kinematic configurations, an essential ingredient to **discriminate** BFKL from other resummations
- Higgs-jet hadroproduction genuinely exhibits a solid **stability** under higher-order corrections. so that the renormalization scale needs not to be too large as for other processes where BLM **optimization** had to be used.
- Future, exhaustive studies of the inclusive Higgs-boson production, would benefit from the inclusion of high-energy effects in a **many-sided** formalism where distinct resummations are concurrently embodied

possible extension:

- Full NLO treatment (infinite top mass limit)

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