

# Illuminating the impact-parameter dependence of UPC dijet photoproduction

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# UPCs as probes of nuclei

In ultra-peripheral heavy-ion collisions (UPCs), two nuclei pass each other at an impact parameter larger than the sum of their radii

→ hadronic interactions suppressed

Hard interactions of one nucleus with the e.m. field of the other can be described in equivalent photon approximation

→ access to photo-nuclear processes

A “new” way to probe nuclear contents!

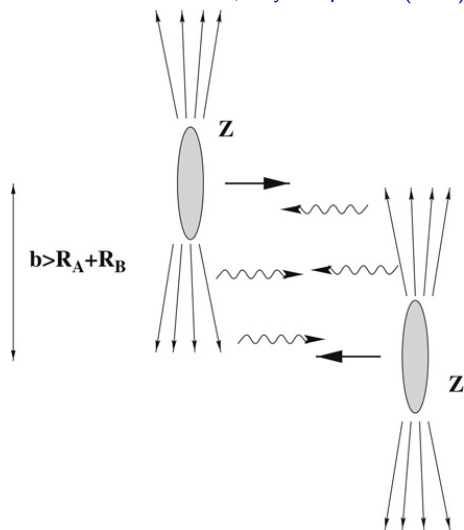
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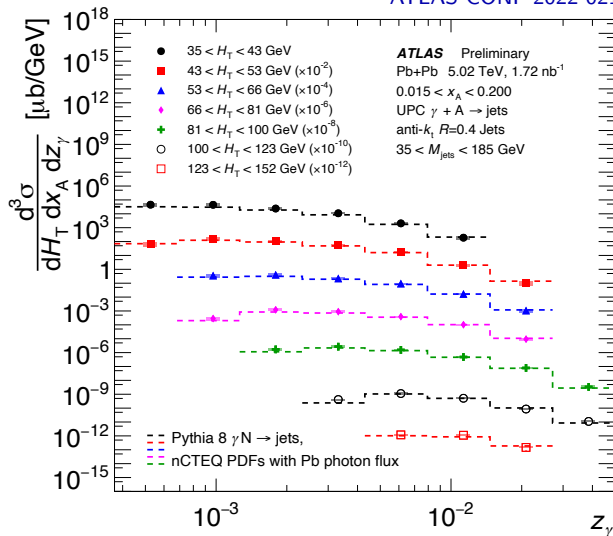
# Inclusive dijets in UPCs

Dijet photoproduction in UPCs has been promoted as a probe of nuclear PDFs

Strikman, Vogt & White, PRL 96 (2006) 082001

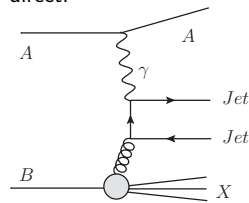
ATLAS measurement now fully unfolded!

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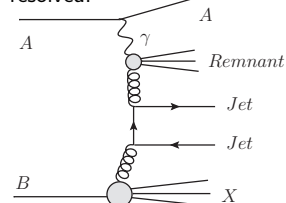


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direct:



resolved:



Triple differential in

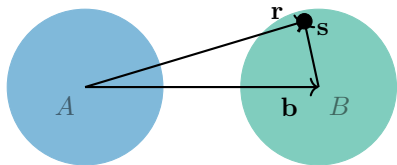
$$H_T = \sum_{i \in \text{jets}} p_{T,i}, \quad z_\gamma = \frac{M_{\text{jets}}}{\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}}} e^{+y_{\text{jets}}},$$

$$x_A = \frac{M_{\text{jets}}}{\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}}} e^{-y_{\text{jets}}}$$

Previous NLO predictions have been performed in a pointlike approximation

→ Can/should we do better?

# Impact-parameter dependence of UPC dijet production

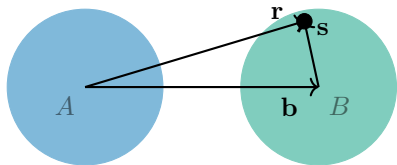


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The inclusive UPC dijet cross section can be written as:

$$d\sigma^{AB \rightarrow A + \text{dijet} + X} = \sum_{i,j,X'} \int d^2\mathbf{b} \, \Gamma_{AB}(\mathbf{b}) \int d^2\mathbf{r} \, f_{\gamma/A}(y, \mathbf{r}) \otimes f_{i/\gamma}(x_\gamma, Q^2) \\ \otimes \int d^2\mathbf{s} \, f_{j/B}(x, Q^2, \mathbf{s}) \otimes d\hat{\sigma}^{ij \rightarrow \text{dijet} + X'} \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{s} - \mathbf{b})$$

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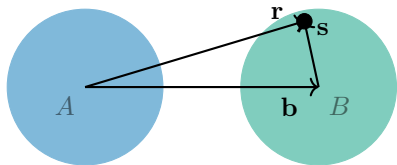


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Nuclear suppression factor:  
Probability for having no hadronic interaction  
at impact parameter  $\mathbf{b}$

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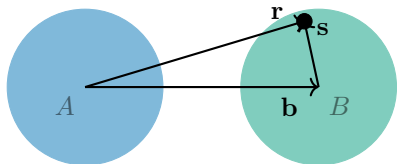
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Photon flux:

The number of photons at radius  $\mathbf{r}$   
from the emitting nucleus

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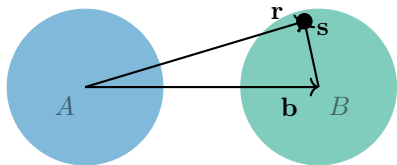


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Photon PDF:  
Density of partons type  $i$  within the photon

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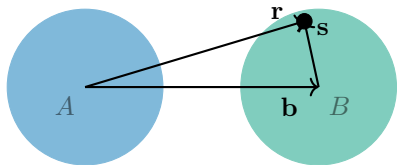
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Nuclear PDF:  
Density of partons type  $j$  within the nucleus  
at distance  $\mathbf{s}$  from the center



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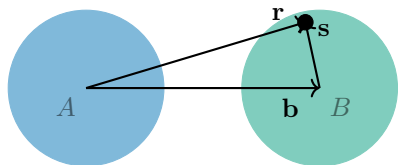


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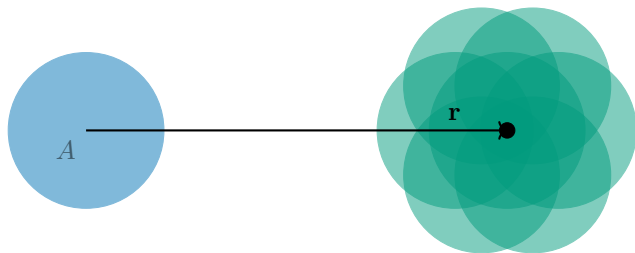
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Partonic cross section:  
Production rate for the dijet system  
from partons  $i$  and  $j$

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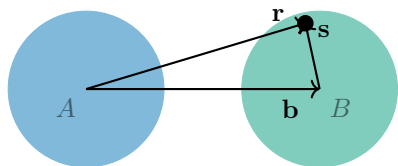
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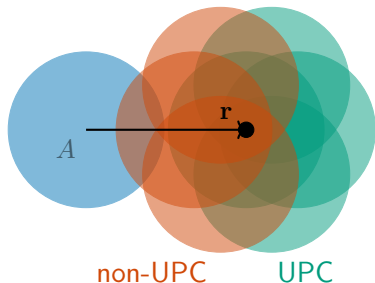


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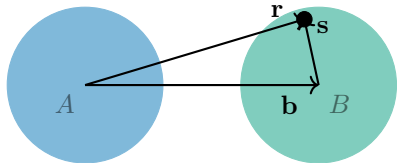
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$$|\mathbf{r}| \sim |\mathbf{b}| \sim |\mathbf{s}| \sim R_B \quad \text{'close-encounter'}$$

→ restricted  $\mathbf{s}$  phase space for UPC events

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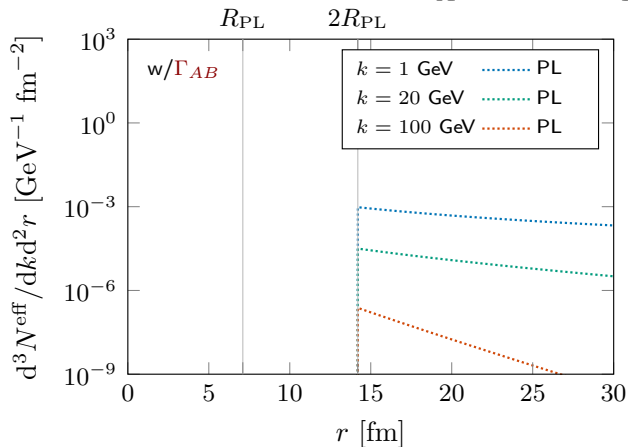
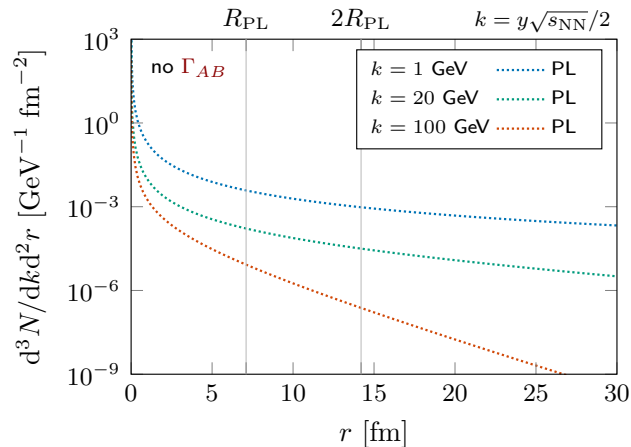
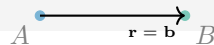
Now, if  $f_{j/B}(x, Q^2, \mathbf{s}) = \frac{1}{B} T_B(\mathbf{s}) \cdot f_{j/B}(x, Q^2)$ , we can write

$$d\sigma^{AB \rightarrow A + \text{dijet} + X} = \sum_{i,j,X'} f_{\gamma/A}^{\text{eff}}(y) \otimes f_{i/\gamma}(x_\gamma, Q^2) \otimes f_{j/B}(x, Q^2) \otimes d\hat{\sigma}^{ij \rightarrow \text{dijet} + X'}$$

where the effective photon flux reads

$$f_{\gamma/A}^{\text{eff}}(y) = \frac{1}{B} \int d^2\mathbf{r} \int d^2\mathbf{s} f_{\gamma/A}(y, \mathbf{r}) T_B(\mathbf{s}) \Gamma_{AB}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{s}) \quad \text{as in ATLAS-CONF-2022-021 (see Appendix A)}$$

# Effective photon flux in UPC PbPb (1: PL approx.)

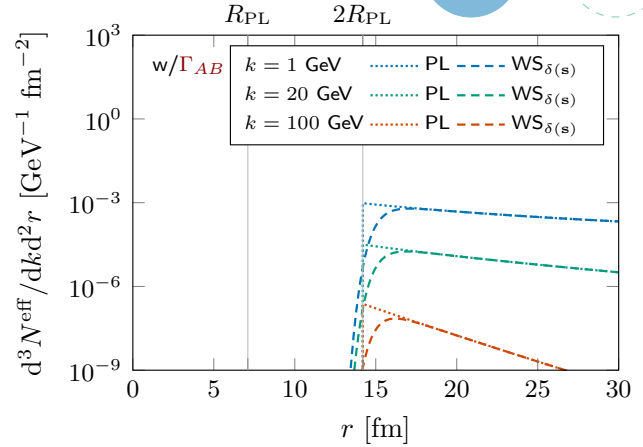
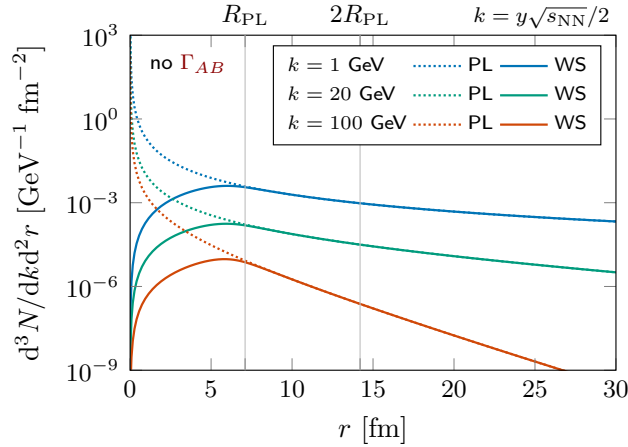
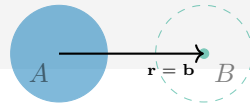


Pointlike (PL) approximation:  $T_B(\mathbf{s}) = B\delta(\mathbf{s})$ ,  $\Gamma_{AB}(\mathbf{b}) = \theta(|\mathbf{b}| - b_{\min})$ ,  $b_{\min} = 2R_{\text{PL}} = 14.2 \text{ fm}$

$$\Rightarrow f_{\gamma/A}^{\text{eff,PL}}(y) = \int d^2\mathbf{r} \underbrace{f_{\gamma/A}^{\text{PL}}(y, \mathbf{r})}_{= \frac{Z^2 \alpha_{\text{e.m.}}}{\pi^2} m_p^2 y [K_1^2(\zeta) + \frac{1}{\gamma_L} K_0^2(\zeta)]_{\zeta=y m_p |\mathbf{r}|}} \theta(|\mathbf{r}| - b_{\min}) = \frac{2Z^2 \alpha_{\text{e.m.}}}{\pi y} \left[ \zeta K_0(\zeta) K_1(\zeta) - \frac{\zeta^2}{2} [K_1^2(\zeta) - K_0^2(\zeta)] \right]_{\zeta=y m_p b_{\min}}$$

→ Coincides with Guzey & Klasen, PRC 99 (2019) 065202

# Effective photon flux in UPC PbPb (2: WS with $T_B(s) = B\delta(s)$ )

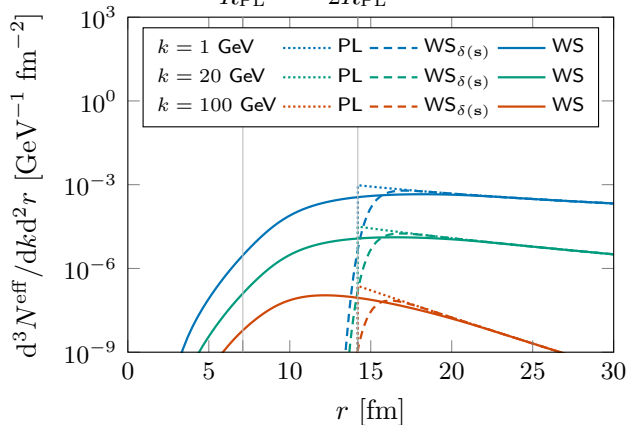
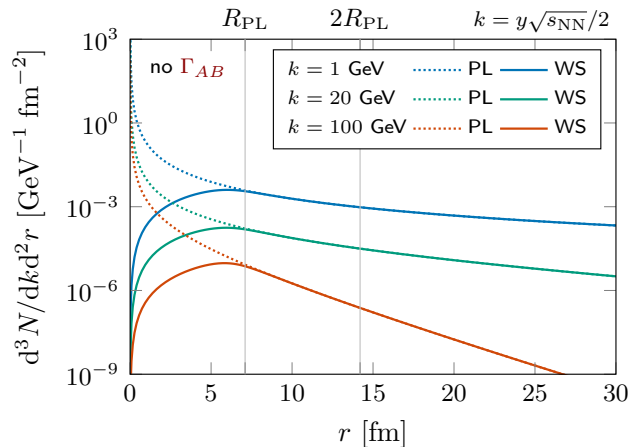
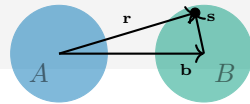


Woods-Saxon source on point-like target ( $WS_{\delta(s)}$ ):  $T_B(s) = B\delta(s)$ ,  $\Gamma_{AB}(\mathbf{b}) = \exp[-\sigma_{NN} T_{AB}^{WS}(\mathbf{b})]$

$$\Rightarrow f_{\gamma/A}^{\text{eff}, WS_{\delta(s)}}(y) = \int d^2\mathbf{r} \underbrace{f_{\gamma/A}^{WS}(y, \mathbf{r})}_{= \frac{Z^2 \alpha_{\text{e.m.}}}{\pi^2} \frac{1}{y} \left| \int_0^\infty \frac{dk_\perp k_\perp^2}{k_\perp^2 + (ym_p)^2} F^{WS}(k_\perp^2 + (ym_p)^2) J_1(|\mathbf{r}|k_\perp) \right|^2} \Gamma_{AB}(\mathbf{r})$$

→ cf. Guzey & Zhalov, JHEP 02 (2014) 046; Zha et al., PLB 781 (2018) 182; Eskola et al., PRC 106 (2022) 035202

# Effective photon flux in UPC PbPb (3: Full WS profile)



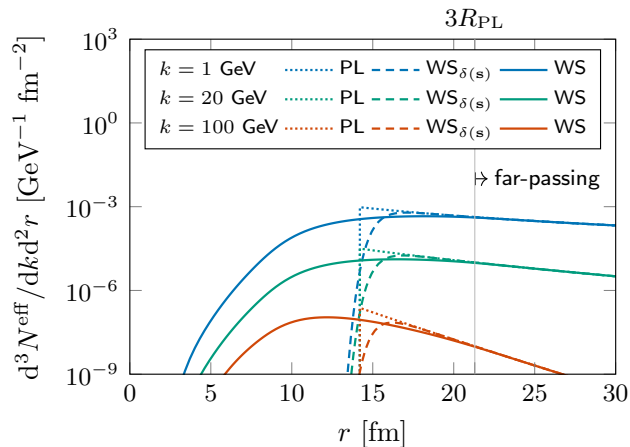
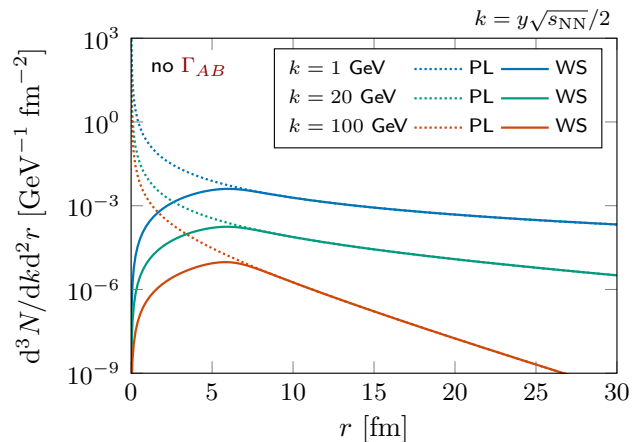
Woods-Saxon nuclear profile (WS):  $T_B(\mathbf{s}) = \int dz \rho_B^{\text{WS}}(z, \mathbf{s})$ ,  $\Gamma_{AB}(\mathbf{b}) = \exp[-\sigma_{\text{NN}} T_{AB}^{\text{WS}}(\mathbf{b})]$

$$\Rightarrow f_{\gamma/A}^{\text{eff}, \text{WS}}(y) = \int d^2\mathbf{r} \underbrace{f_{\gamma/A}^{\text{WS}}(y, \mathbf{r})}_{\text{photon flux}} \Gamma_{AB}^{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{r}), \quad \text{where} \quad \Gamma_{AB}^{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{B} \int d^2\mathbf{s} T_B(\mathbf{s}) \Gamma_{AB}(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{s})$$

$$= \frac{Z^2 \alpha_{\text{e.m.}}}{\pi^2} \frac{1}{y} \left| \int_0^\infty \frac{dk_\perp k_\perp^2}{k_\perp^2 + (ym_p)^2} F^{\text{WS}}(k_\perp^2 + (ym_p)^2) J_1(|\mathbf{r}| k_\perp) \right|^2$$

→ Accounting for the s dependence important at small  $|\mathbf{r}|$ !

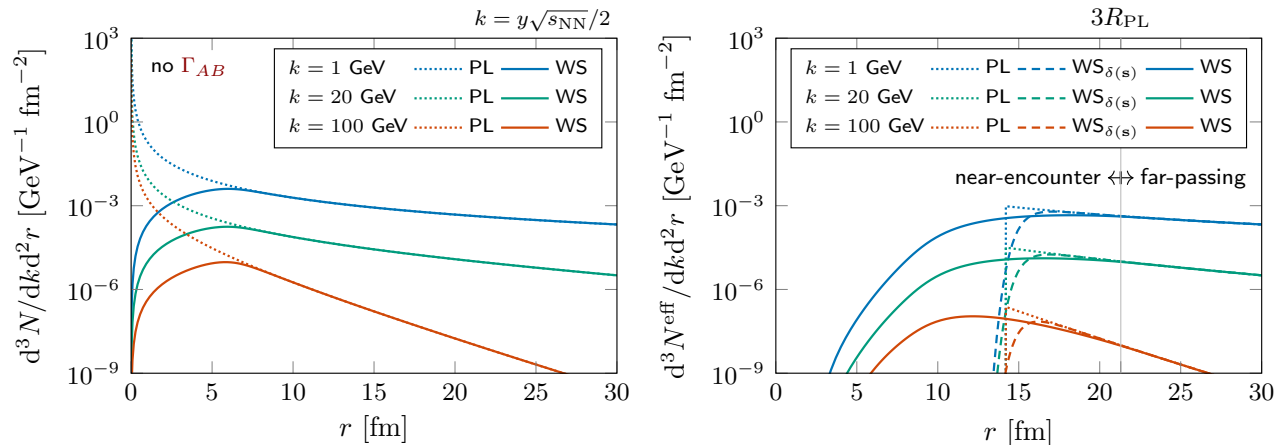
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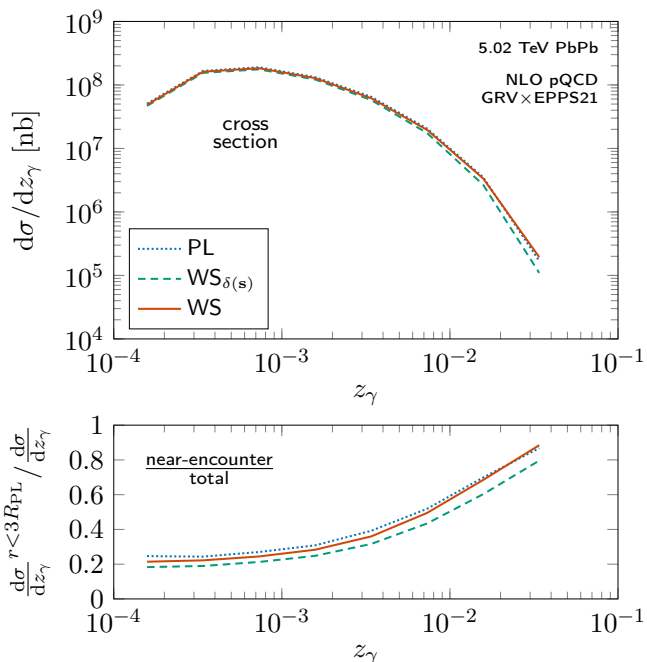
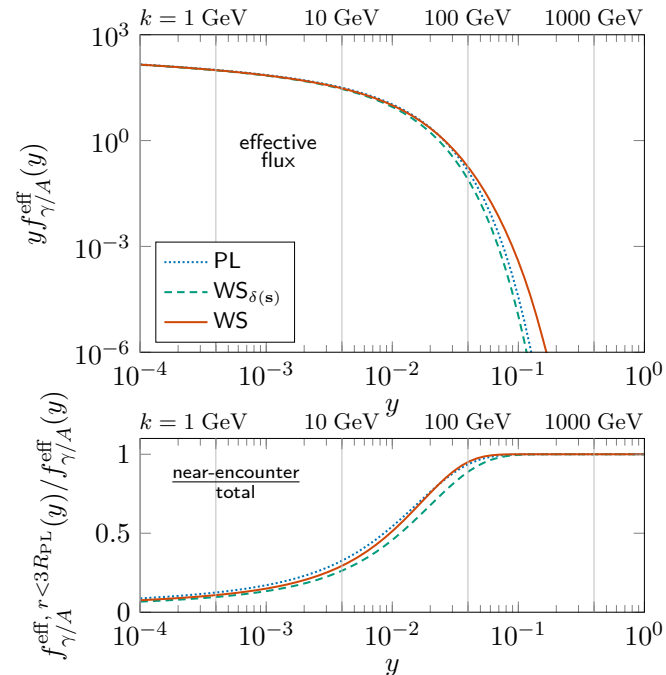
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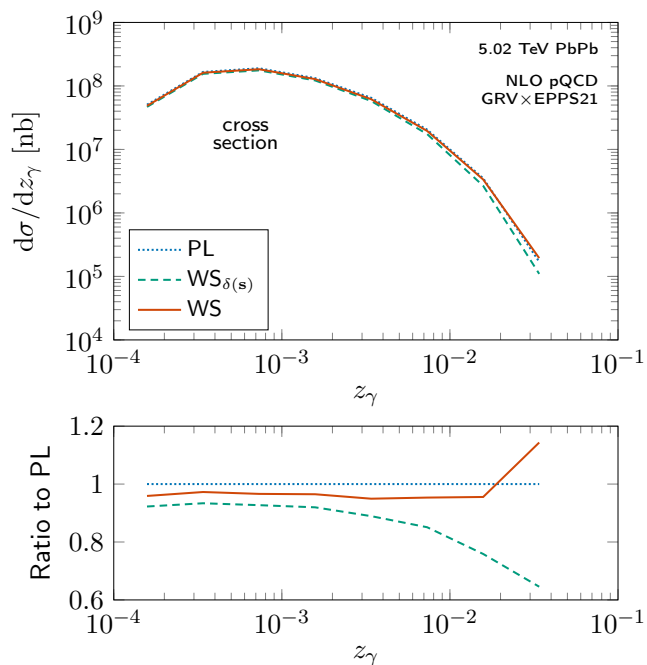
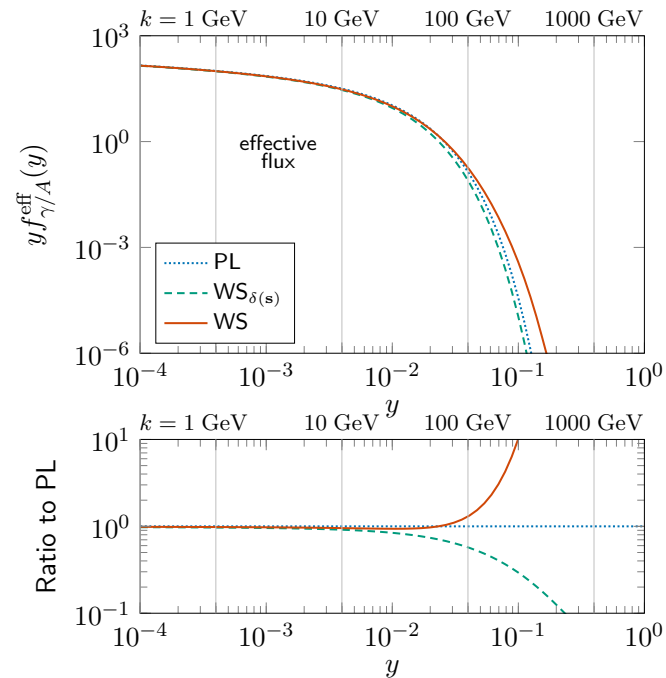
... but producing high- $p_T$  jets requires sufficient energy from the photon which enhances sensitivity to the ‘near-encounter’ region

# Effective photon flux and UPC dijet cross section



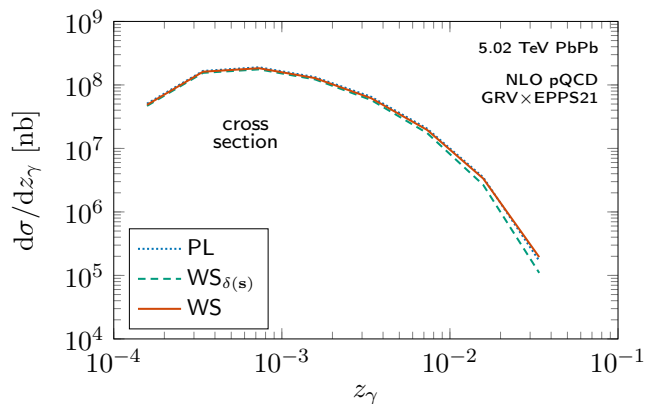
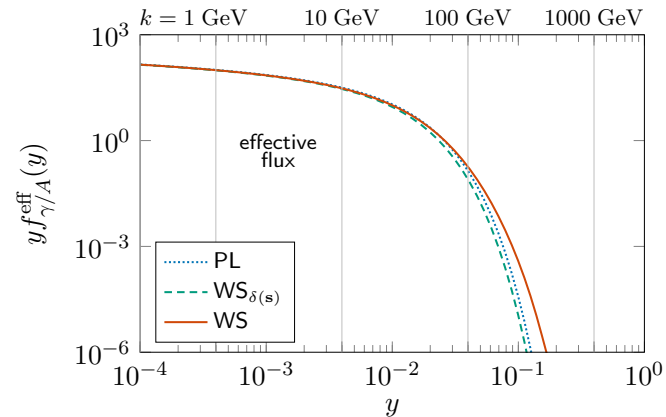
→ most of the events with large  $z_\gamma$  (correspondingly small  $x_A$ ) come from small  $|\mathbf{r}|$ !

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$\sim 40\%$  effect in  $\text{WS}_{\delta(s)}$  vs. full WS cross sections in the largest  $z_\gamma$  bin (but 10% for WS vs. PL)

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Questions for further investigation:

- All of this assumed that we can factorize  $f_{j/B}(x, Q^2, s) = \frac{1}{B} T_B(s) \cdot f_{j/B}(x, Q^2)$ , but this is a simplification – use impact-parameter dependent nPDFs (EPS09s, FGS10) instead.
- How are then these objects we probe here in a (more or less) inclusive process related to the GPDs extracted from exclusive processes?
- Here we have neglected the possibility of electromagnetic breakup through Coulomb excitations; Including it would modify the  $\Gamma_{AB}(\mathbf{b})$  suppression factor.

# Summary

- In principle, *inclusive* dijet photoproduction off nuclei is a good probe for nuclear PDFs
  - However, in UPCs impact-parameter space is restricted due to requirement of no nuclear overlap
  - Due to requiring the production of high- $p_T$  jets, significant part of the cross section comes from events where the nuclei pass each other at small impact parameters
- Sensitivity to the nuclear transverse profile
- Significant effect in the largest measured  $z_\gamma$  bins
- Will be interesting to study whether we can constrain impact-parameter dependent nPDFs this way
  - Still have to include the e.m. breakup modelling to be able to compare directly with the data

Thank you!

# Dijet photoproduction at EIC

The experimental condition for photoproduction at EIC is much simpler - depends only on electron scattering angle!

$$f_{\gamma/e}(y) = \frac{\alpha_{\text{e.m.}}}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1 + (1-y)^2}{y} \log \frac{Q_{\text{max}}^2(1-y)}{m_e^2 y^2} + 2m_e^2 y \left( \frac{1}{Q_{\text{max}}^2} - \frac{1-y}{m_e^2 y^2} \right) \right],$$

where  $Q_{\text{max}}^2$  is the maximal photon virtuality

Probe nPDFs down to  $x \sim 10^{-2}$

Klasen & Kovarik, PRD 97 (2018) 114013

Guzey & Klasen, PRC 102 (2020) 065201

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