



# Transverse momentum distribution of charmonium production in lepton-hadron scattering at the EIC

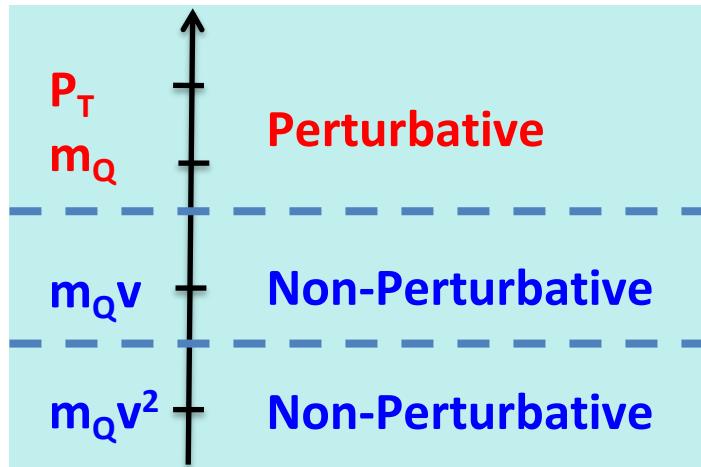
- Single inclusive heavy quarkonium production in hadronic collisions
- Single inclusive heavy quarkonium production in lepton-hadron collisions at the EIC
- Nuclear modification to quarkonium production in e-A collisions
- Summary and outlook

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# Scales for heavy quarkonium production at high $P_T$

## Well-separated momentum scales – effective theory:



Hard — Production of  $Q\bar{Q}$  [pQCD]

*To make this part as reliable as we can!*

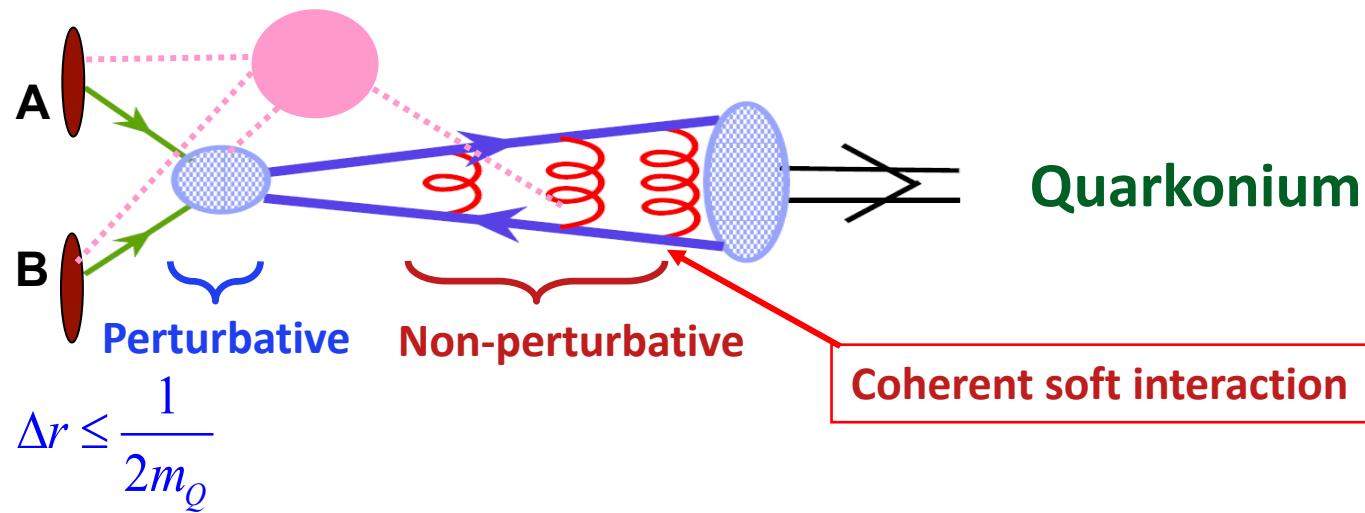
Soft — Relative Momentum [NRQCD]

$\leftarrow \Lambda_{QCD}$

Ultrasoft — Binding Energy

$\rightarrow \Lambda_{QCD}$  [pNRQCD]

## Basic production mechanism:



Known quarks

Flavor	Mass
$u$	1.5 – 4.5 MeV
$d$	5.0 – 8.5 MeV
$s$	80 – 155 MeV
$c$	1.0 – 1.4 GeV
$b$	4.0 – 4.5 GeV
$t$	$174.3 \pm 5.1$ GeV

- QCD Factorization is “expected” to work for the production of heavy quark pair
- Difficulty: how the heavy quark pair becomes a quarkonium?
- Medium: filter/diagnose the emergence

# QCD factorization for heavy quarkonium production at high $P_T$

## □ PQCD factorization:

$$E \frac{d\sigma_{hh' \rightarrow J/\psi(P)X}}{d^3 P} = \sum_{c\bar{c}[n]} F_{c\bar{c}[n] \rightarrow J/\psi} \otimes \sum_{a,b} \int dx_a f_{a/h}(x_a, \mu_f^2) \int dx_b f_{b/h'}(x_b, \mu_f^2) \\ \times \left[ E \frac{d\tilde{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow c\bar{c}[n](P)X}^{\text{Resum}}}{d^3 P} + E \frac{d\tilde{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow c\bar{c}[n](P)X}^{\text{NRQCD}}}{d^3 P} - E \frac{d\tilde{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow c\bar{c}[n](P)X}^{\text{Asym}}}{d^3 P} \right]$$

### ■ PQCD factorization + FFs:

$$\kappa = (v, a, t)^{[1,8]} = (\gamma^+, \gamma^+ \gamma_5, \gamma^+ \gamma_\perp^i)^{[1,8]}$$

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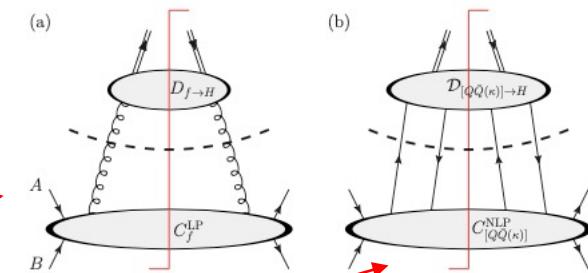
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Kang, Ma, Qiu, Sterman, 2014

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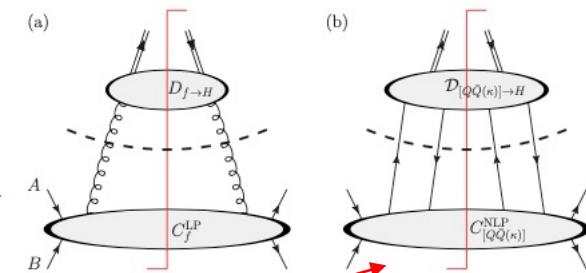
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# Renormalization group improvement

Kang, Ma, Qiu, Sterman, PRD 90, 034006 (2014)

## □ Renormalization group:

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu_f^2} \left[ E \frac{d\tilde{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow c\bar{c}[n](P)X}^{\text{Resum}}}{d^3 P} \right] = 0$$

To be accurate up to the 1<sup>st</sup> power correction

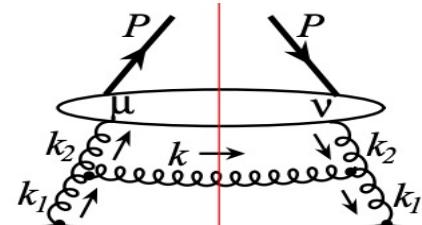
## □ Modified evolution equations: NRQCD: $H = c\bar{c}[^{2S+1}L_J^{[1,8]}]$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{D}_{[Q\bar{Q}(n)] \rightarrow H}}{\partial \ln \mu_f^2} = \Gamma_{[Q\bar{Q}(n)] \rightarrow [Q\bar{Q}(\kappa)]} \otimes \mathcal{D}_{[Q\bar{Q}(\kappa)] \rightarrow H}$$

DGLAP-type: Heavy quark pair produced at the hard scale

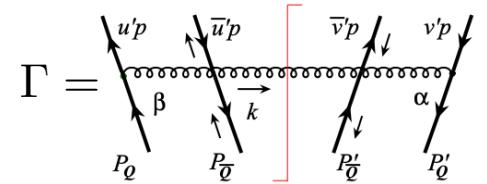
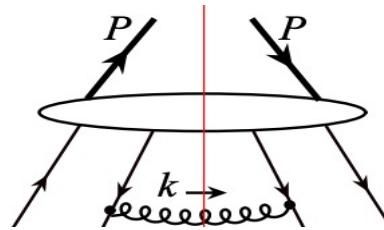
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$$+ \frac{1}{\mu_f^2} \bar{\gamma}_{[f] \rightarrow [Q\bar{Q}(\kappa)]} \otimes \mathcal{D}_{[Q\bar{Q}(\kappa)] \rightarrow H}$$

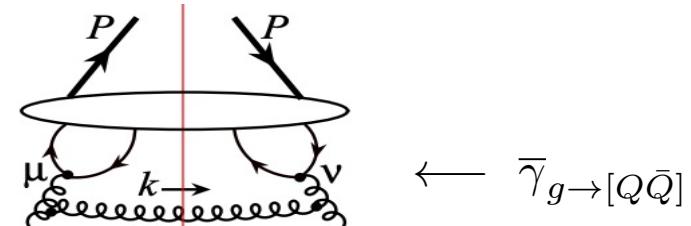


Heavy quark pair produced between the hard scale and the input scale

Modified DGLAP – inhomogeneous evolution



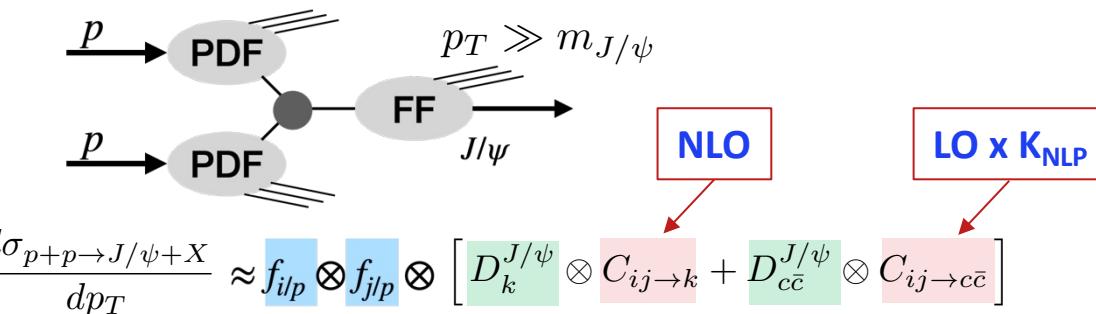
Heavy quark pair produced at the input scale



# Single inclusive high $P_T$ J/ $\psi$ -production in hadronic collisions

## □ Test the consistency:

$$p + p \rightarrow J/\psi + X$$



## □ Input FFs from NRQCD:

Ma, Qiu, Zhang, PRD89 (2014) 094029;  
ibid. 94030

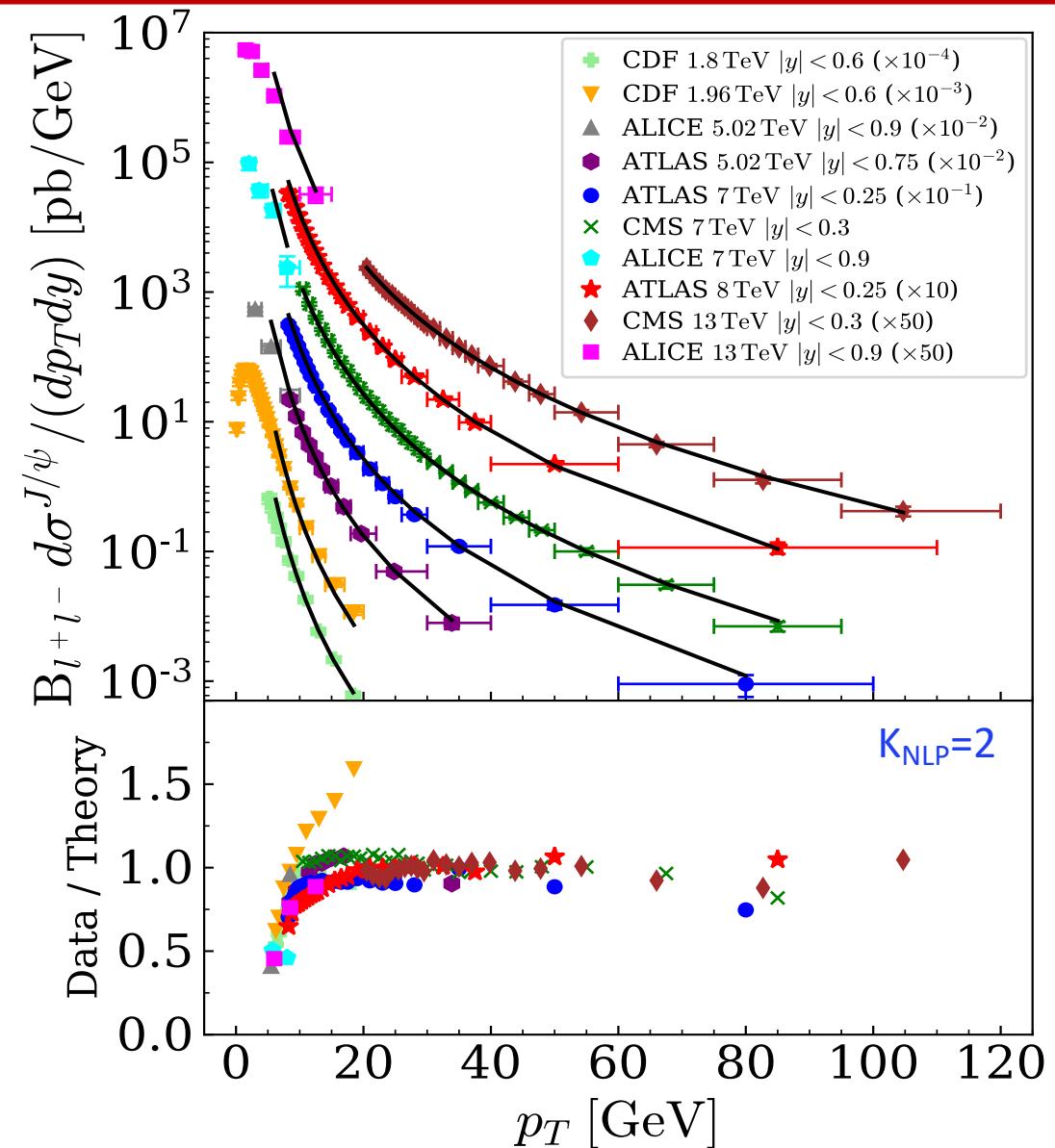
$$D_{f \rightarrow H}(z; m, \mu_0) = \sum_{[Q\bar{Q}(n)]} \pi \alpha_s \left\{ \hat{d}_{f \rightarrow [Q\bar{Q}(n)]}^{(1)}(z; m, \mu_0, \mu_\Lambda) + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \hat{d}_{f \rightarrow [Q\bar{Q}(n)]}^{(2)}(z; m, \mu_0, \mu_\Lambda) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) \right\} \frac{\langle \mathcal{O}_{[Q\bar{Q}(n)]}^H(\mu_\Lambda) \rangle}{m^{2L+3}}$$

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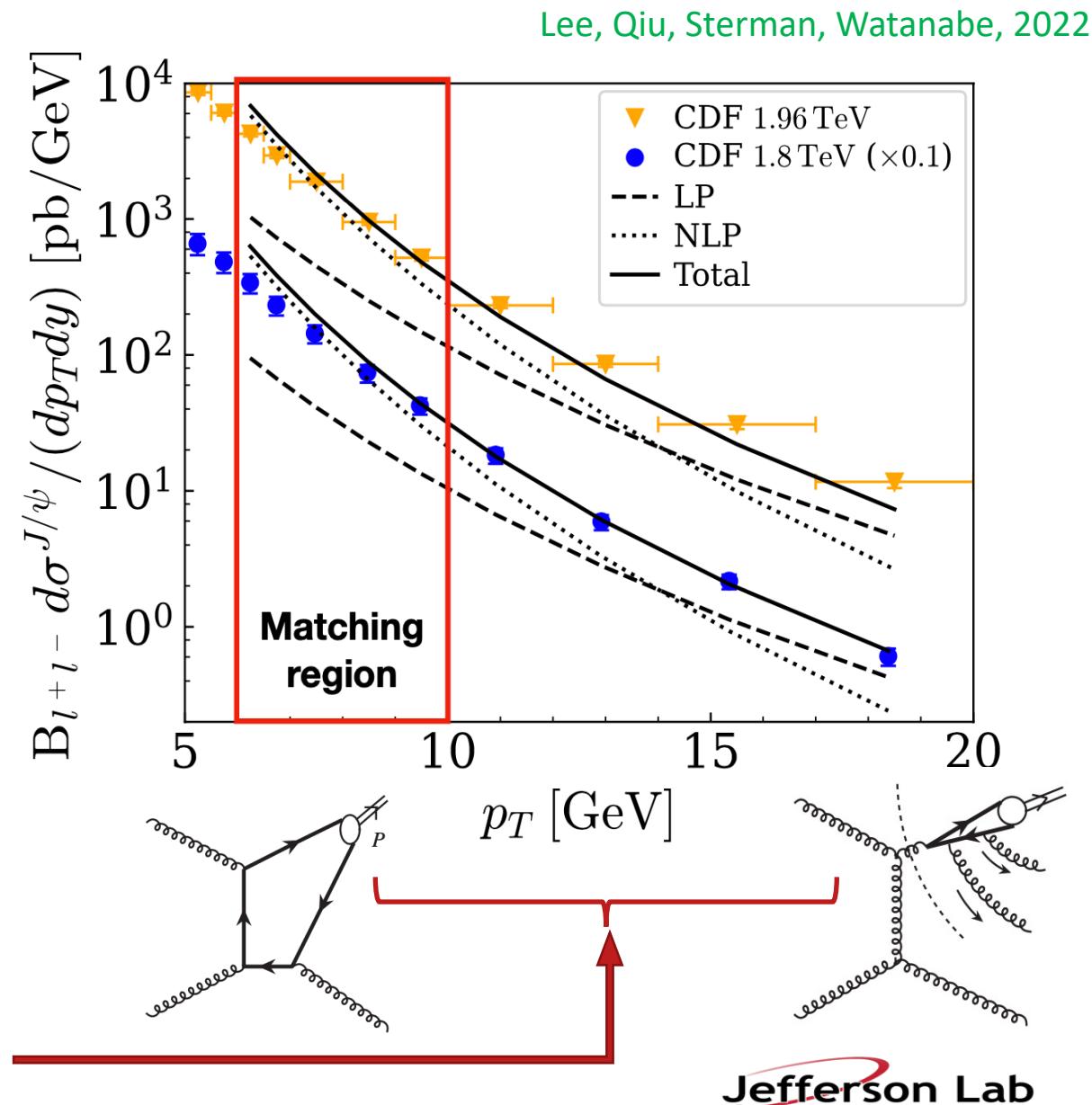
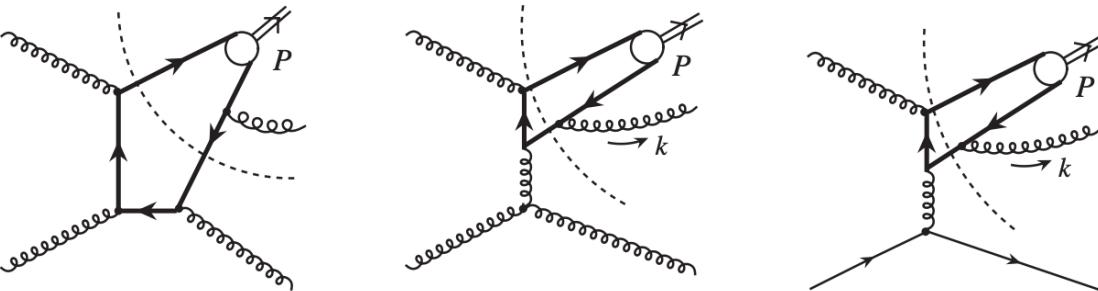
$\mu_0 = \mathcal{O}(2m)$ : input scale,  $\mu_\Lambda = \mathcal{O}(m)$ : NRQCD factorization scale

→  $D_{f \rightarrow H}(z) = N_f \frac{z^{\alpha_f} (1-z)^{\beta_f}}{B(1+\alpha_f, 1+\beta_f)}$



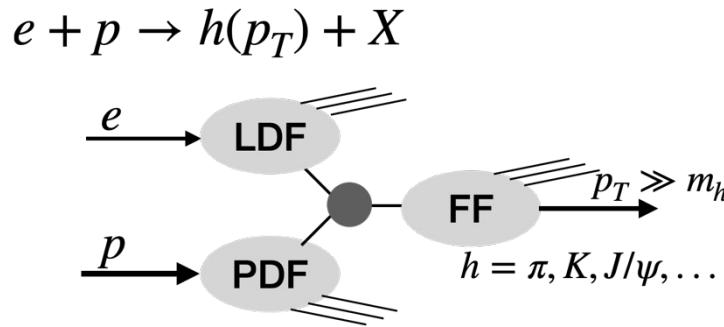
# Matching to fixed-order PQCD calculation

- Leading power logarithmically enhanced contributions start to dominate when  $P_T \gtrsim 5(2m_c) \sim 15$  GeV
- Next-to-leading power is important for  $5(2m_c) \gtrsim P_T \gtrsim (2m_c)$
- Matching to fixed-order NRQCD calculation  $P_T \sim (2m_c)$   
*NLP term is necessary for the matching*
- Further improvement by exploring the FFs  
Use the medium as a filter?



# Single inclusive high $P_T$ J/ $\psi$ -production in lepton-hadron collisions

## □ PQCD factorization:



PDFs, FFs are common blocks in and collisions.

$$\frac{d\sigma_{e+p \rightarrow J/\psi + X}}{dp_T} \approx f_{i/e} \otimes f_{j/p} \otimes [D_k^{J/\psi} \otimes C_{ij \rightarrow k} + D_{c\bar{c}}^{J/\psi} \otimes C_{ij \rightarrow c\bar{c}}]$$

Universal functions: LDFs, PDFs, FFs

Perturbatively calculable coefficients  
NLO      LO x  $K_{NLP}$

Kang, Metz, Qiu and Zhou, PRD84, 034046 (2011)  
Hinderer, Schlegel, Vogelsang, PRD92, 014001 (2015)  
Abelof, Boughezal, Liu, Petriello, PLB763, 52-59 (2016)

- The scattered lepton is **not observed** (cf. semi-inclusive DIS:  $e + p \rightarrow e' + h + X$ )
- Collision-induced QED and QCD radiations are consistently treated in terms of collinear factorization formalism [Liu, Melnitchouk, Qiu, Sato, PRD104, no.9, 094033 (2021), JHEP11, 157 (2021)]
- Leptons, photons, and partons in the beam lepton: Universal Lepton Distribution Functions (LDFs)

**Remark:** DESY-HERA introduced a cut on the transverse momentum of the scattered lepton to separate (electro-production) from (photo-production), leading to the “direct” vs “resolved” photon production

**In our approach:** we have a choice of the factorization scale, but, no need for such a cut!

# Quantum evolution of LDFs

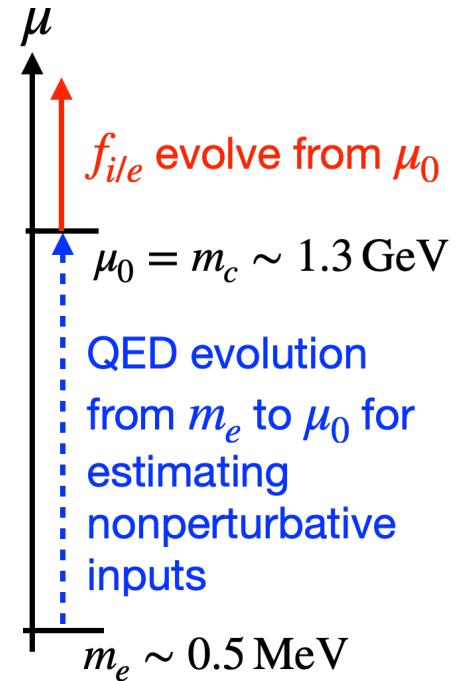
□ DGLAP evolution:  $\xi = \frac{k_{\text{activelepton(quark)}}^+}{l_{\text{lepton}}^+}$

**QED part      Mixing part**

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \mu^2} \begin{pmatrix} f_{e/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \\ f_{\bar{e}/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \\ f_{\gamma/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \\ f_{q/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \\ f_{\bar{q}/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \\ f_{g/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} P_{ee}^{(1,0)} P_{e\bar{e}}^{(2,0)} P_{e\gamma}^{(1,0)} P_{eq}^{(2,0)} P_{e\bar{q}}^{(2,0)} P_{eg}^{(2,1)} \\ P_{\bar{e}\bar{e}}^{(2,0)} P_{\bar{e}\bar{e}}^{(1,0)} P_{\bar{e}\gamma}^{(1,0)} P_{\bar{e}q}^{(2,0)} P_{\bar{e}\bar{q}}^{(2,0)} P_{\bar{e}g}^{(2,1)} \\ P_{\gamma e}^{(1,0)} P_{\gamma \bar{e}}^{(1,0)} P_{\gamma \gamma}^{(1,0)} P_{\gamma q}^{(1,0)} P_{\gamma \bar{q}}^{(1,0)} P_{\gamma g}^{(1,1)} \\ P_{qe}^{(2,0)} P_{q\bar{e}}^{(2,0)} P_{q\gamma}^{(1,0)} P_{qq}^{(0,1)} P_{q\bar{q}}^{(0,2)} P_{qg}^{(0,1)} \\ P_{\bar{q}e}^{(2,0)} P_{\bar{q}\bar{e}}^{(2,0)} P_{\bar{q}\gamma}^{(1,0)} P_{\bar{q}q}^{(0,2)} P_{\bar{q}\bar{q}}^{(0,1)} P_{\bar{q}g}^{(0,1)} \\ P_{ge}^{(2,1)} P_{g\bar{e}}^{(2,1)} P_{g\gamma}^{(1,1)} P_{gq}^{(0,1)} P_{g\bar{q}}^{(0,1)} P_{gg}^{(0,1)} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} f_{e/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \\ f_{\bar{e}/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \\ f_{\gamma/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \\ f_{q/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \\ f_{\bar{q}/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \\ f_{g/e}(\xi, \mu^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

**Mixing part      QCD part**

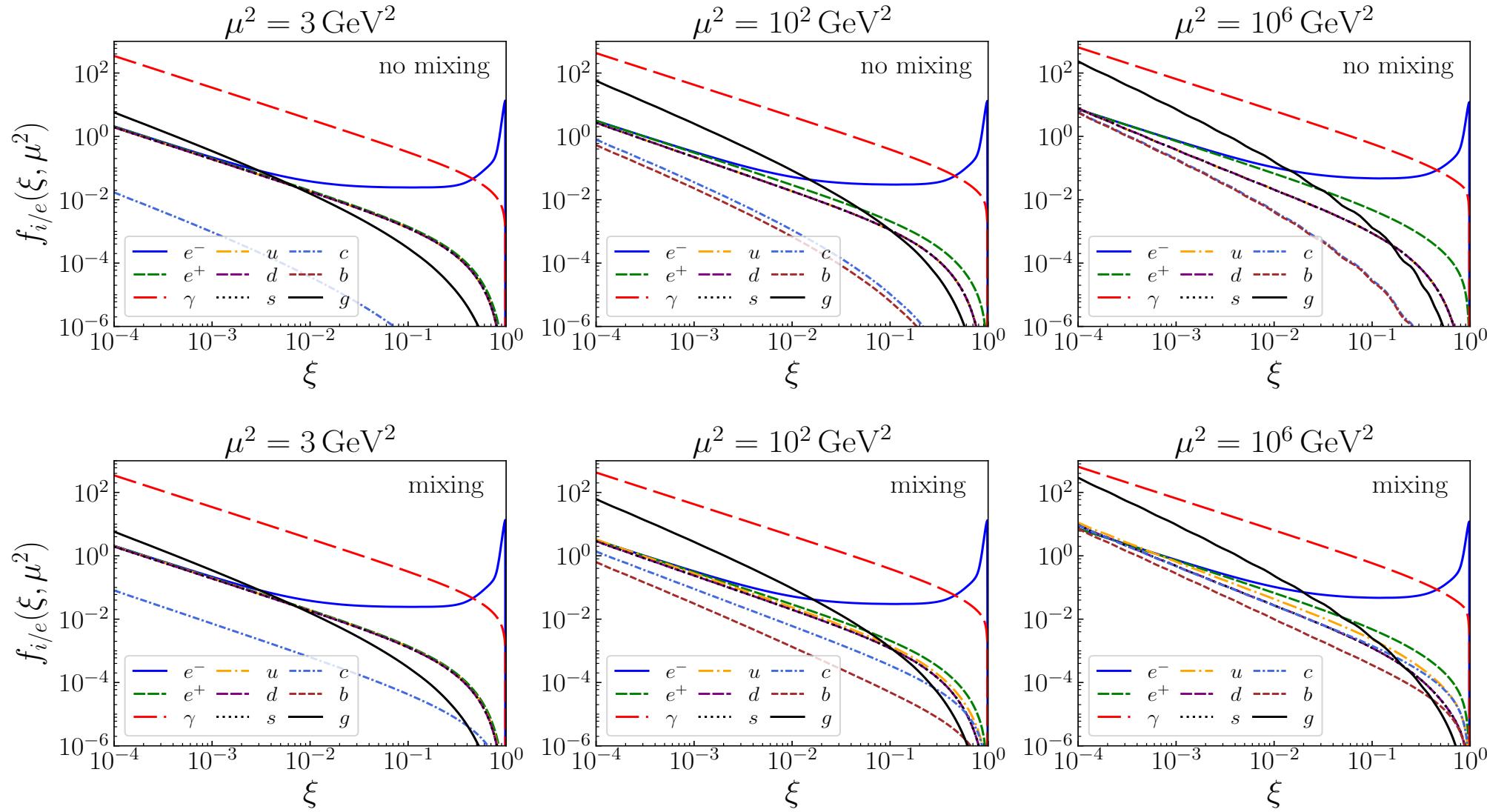
The Feynman diagram illustrates a process where an incoming electron ( $e(l)$ ) emits a virtual photon ( $\gamma^*$ ). This virtual photon then undergoes annihilation into a quark ( $q$ ) and an antiquark ( $(k)\bar{q}$ ). The quark and antiquark are shown interacting with other particles, represented by wavy lines.



Splitting functions in QED+QCD:

$$P_{ij}(\xi, \mu^2) = \sum_{n,m=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\alpha_{em}(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \right)^n \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \right)^m \hat{P}_{ij}^{(n,m)}(\xi) \equiv \sum_{n,m=0}^{\infty} P_{ij}^{(n,m)}(\xi, \mu^2)$$

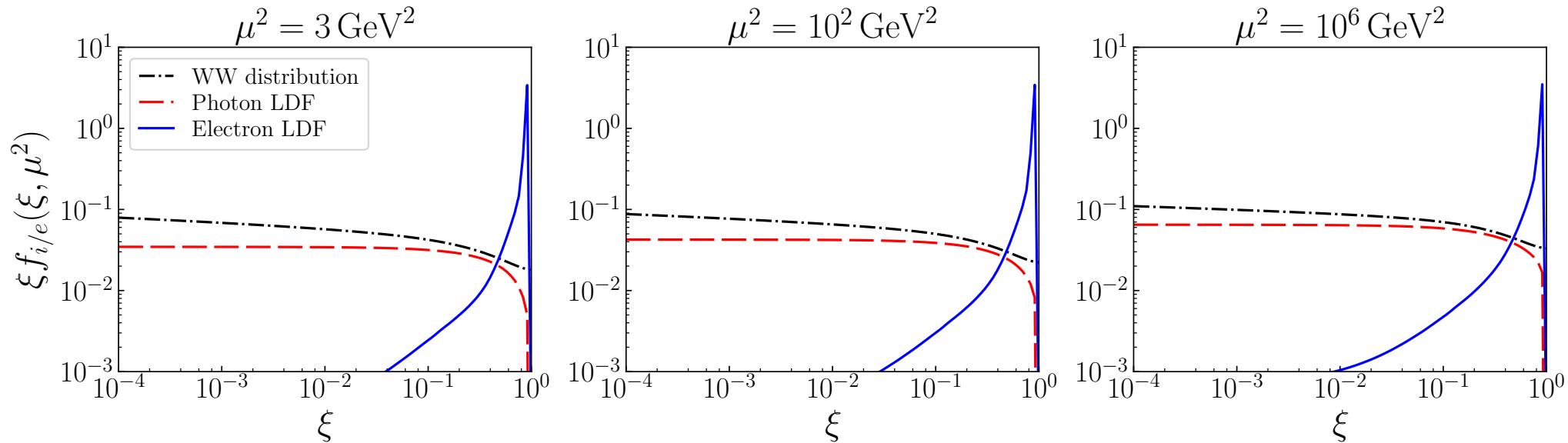
# Lepton distribution functions (LDFs) after evolution



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QED (QCD) evolution is slow (fast) due to the weak (strong)  $\mu$ -dependence of  $\alpha_{em}(\alpha_s)$

# Photon LDF vs. Weizsäcker-Williams distribution



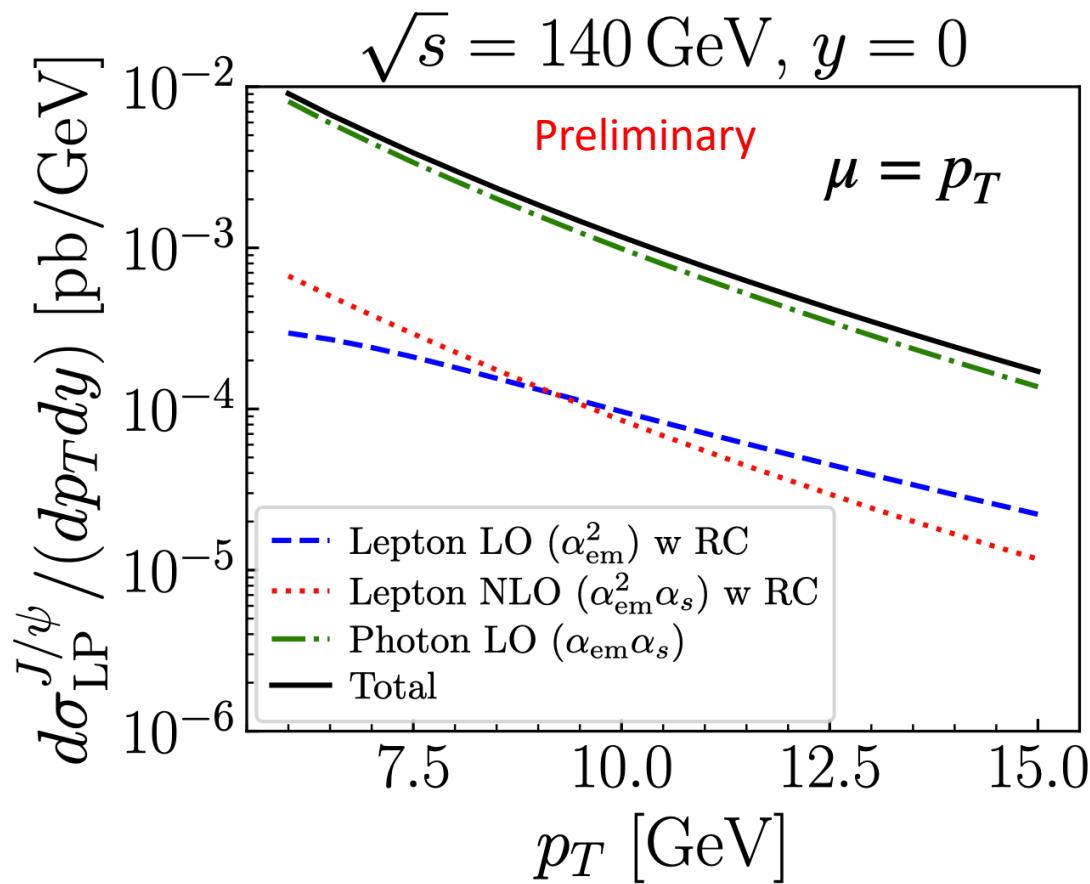
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Weizäcker-Williams (WW) distribution at LO with  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -scheme: [Hinderer, Schlegel, Vogelsang, PRD92, no.1, 014001 \(2015\)](#)

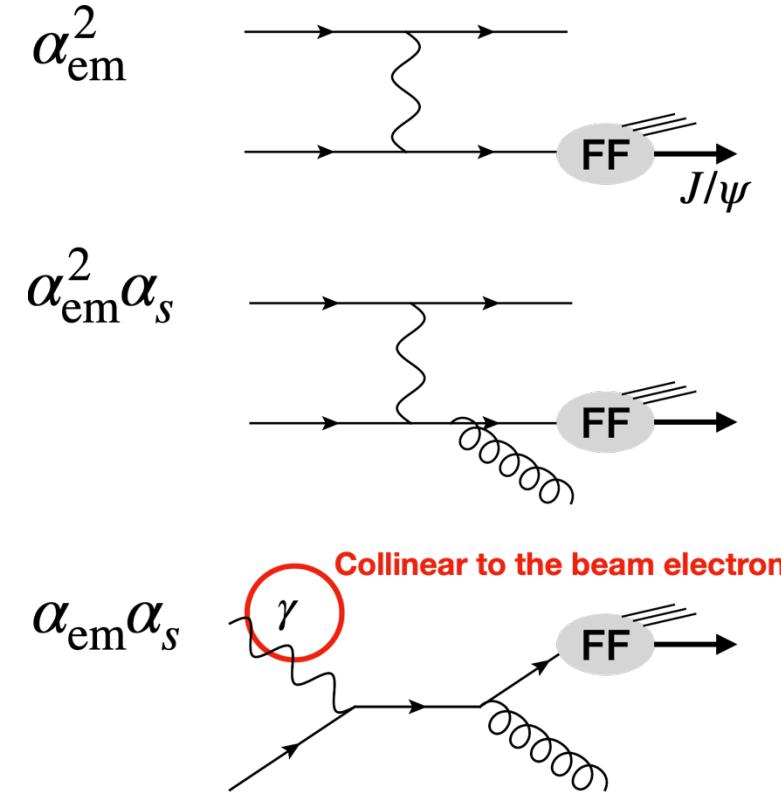
$$f_{\gamma l}^{WW}(\xi, \mu^2) = \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{2\pi} P_{rl}(\xi) \left[ \ln\left(\frac{\mu^2}{\xi^2 m_l^2}\right) - 1 \right] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_{\text{em}}^2)$$

- Photon LDF is smaller to WW distribution, but different because of the resummation of large logs, and higher-order corrections, such as  $\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-, q^+\bar{q}, \dots$ .
- Photon LDF depends on our purely QED evolution from  $m_e$  to  $\mu_0$ ; a global fitting could systematically improve the "red" dashed line.

# Lepto- and photo-production of $J/\psi$ at leading power (LP)



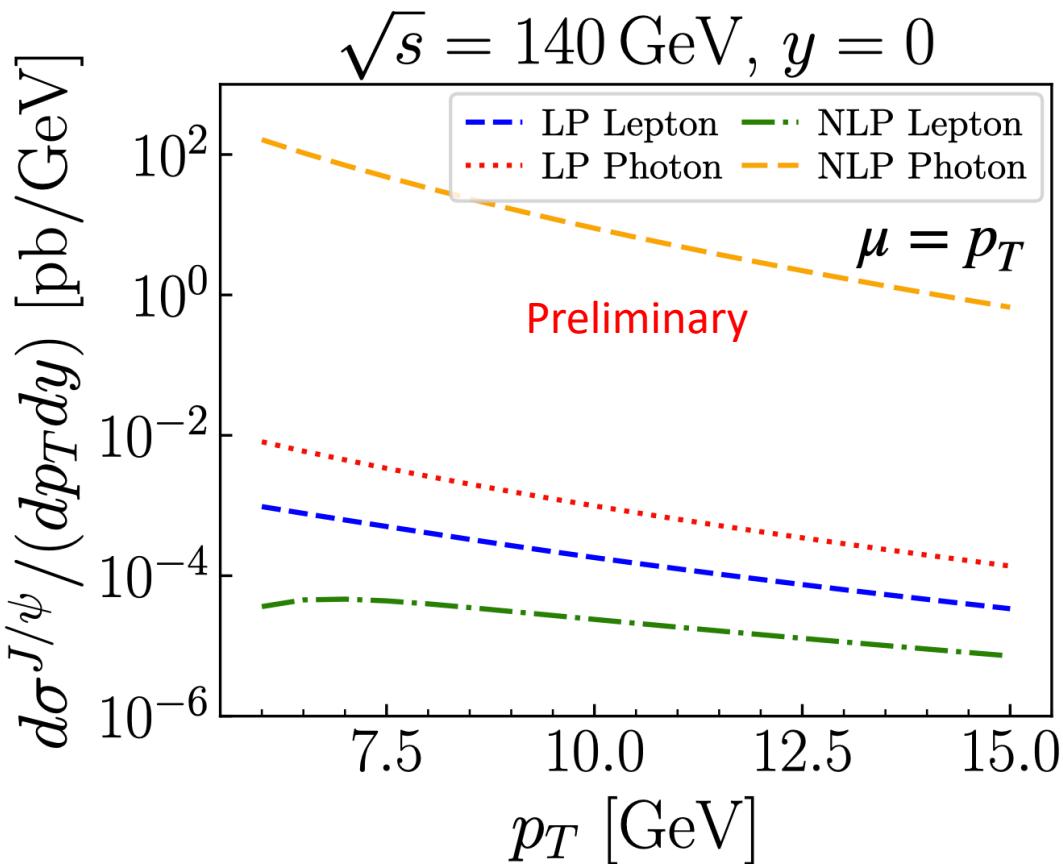
Leading-power in  $P_T$ :



- No  $Q^2$ -cut in calculations.
- Input scale for the evolution of quarkonium FFs:  $\mu_0 = 2m_{J/\psi} \sim 6 \text{ GeV}$ .
- The photoproduction overwhelms the leptoproduction at lower  $P_T$ .

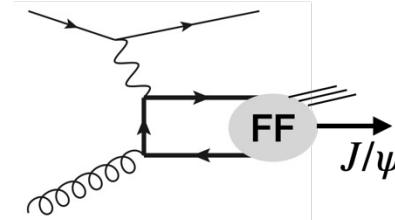
PDFs: CT18ANLO central set  
FFs: LQSW set [Lee, Qiu, Sterman, KW, 2108.00305, 2211.12648, and 2023.xxxx]

# Next-to-leading power (NLP) contributions

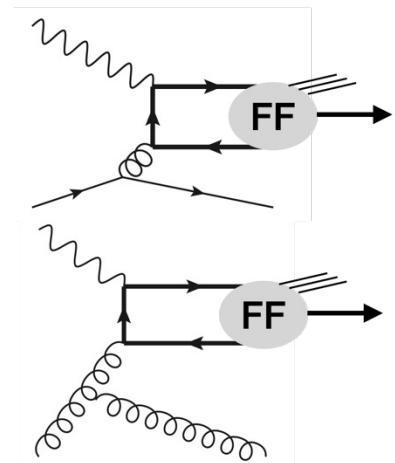


Next-to-Leading-power in  $P_T$ :

$$\alpha_{\text{em}}^2 \alpha_s$$



$$\alpha_{\text{em}} \alpha_s^2$$

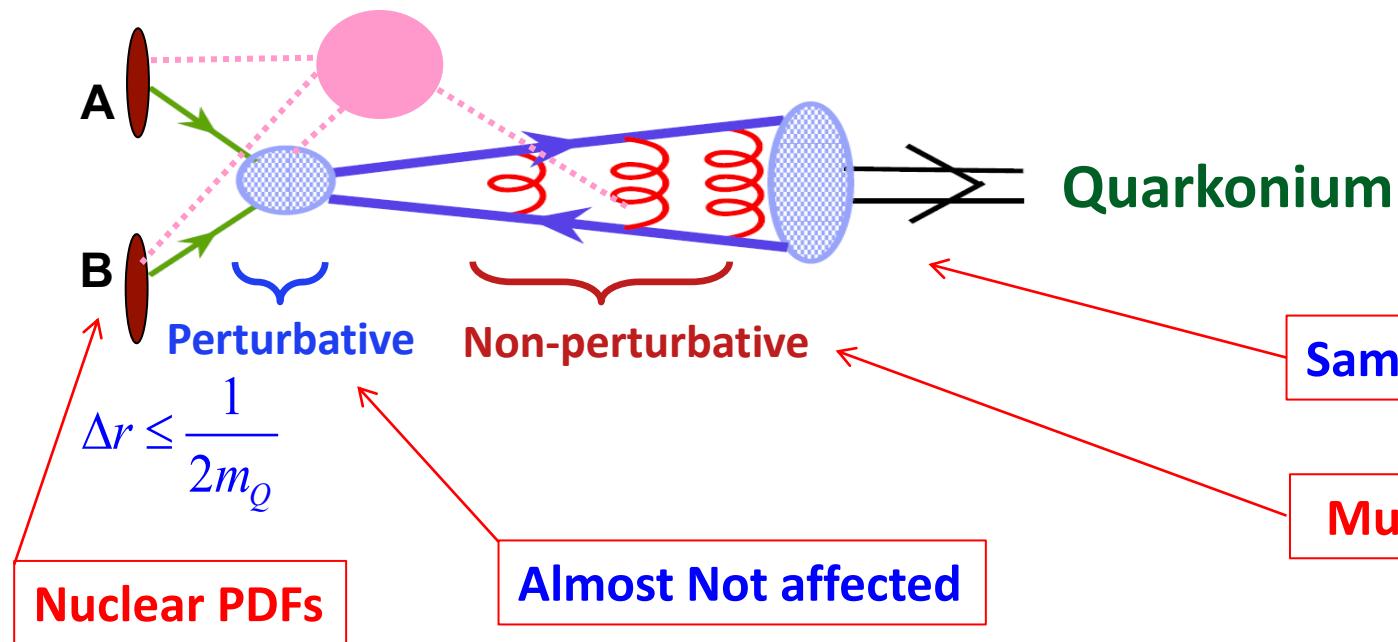


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- The photoproduction of  $J/\psi$  at NLP is predominant over the LP contribution.
- A pair produced at short-distance can easily form a bound state compared to a single parton that fragments into it.

# Heavy quarkonium production in a cold medium

## □ From ep to eA collision:



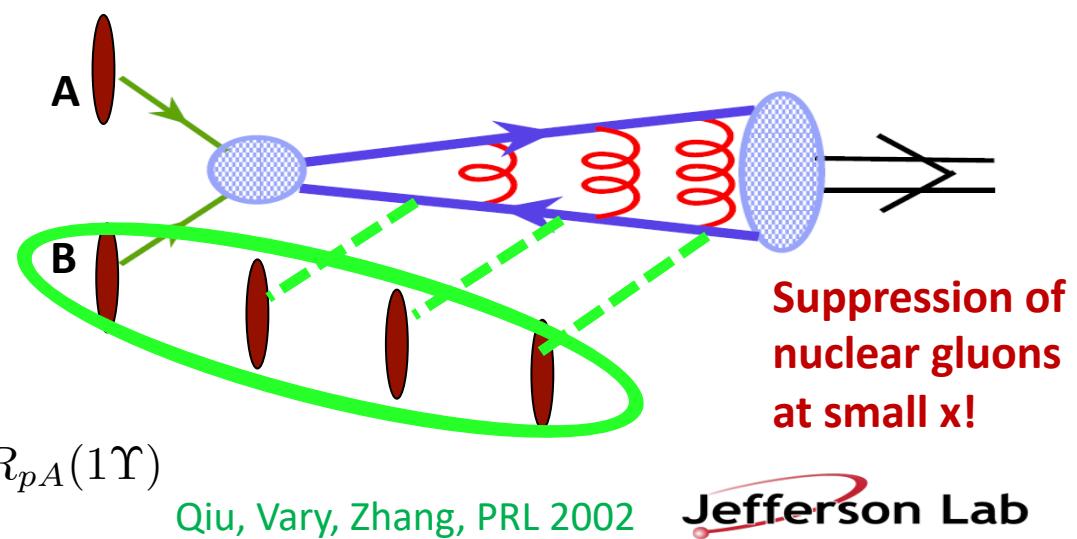
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- QCD Factorization is “expected” to work for the production of heavy quark pair
- Hadronization can break the factorization
- Large  $y$  – time dilation – delay hadronization

## □ Multiple scattering of heavy quarks can change:

- Distribution of total momentum of the pair
  - Cronin effect
- Invariant mass of the pair (broadening)
  - Suppression of quarkonium  $R_{pA}(3\Upsilon) < R_{pA}(2\Upsilon) < R_{pA}(1\Upsilon)$

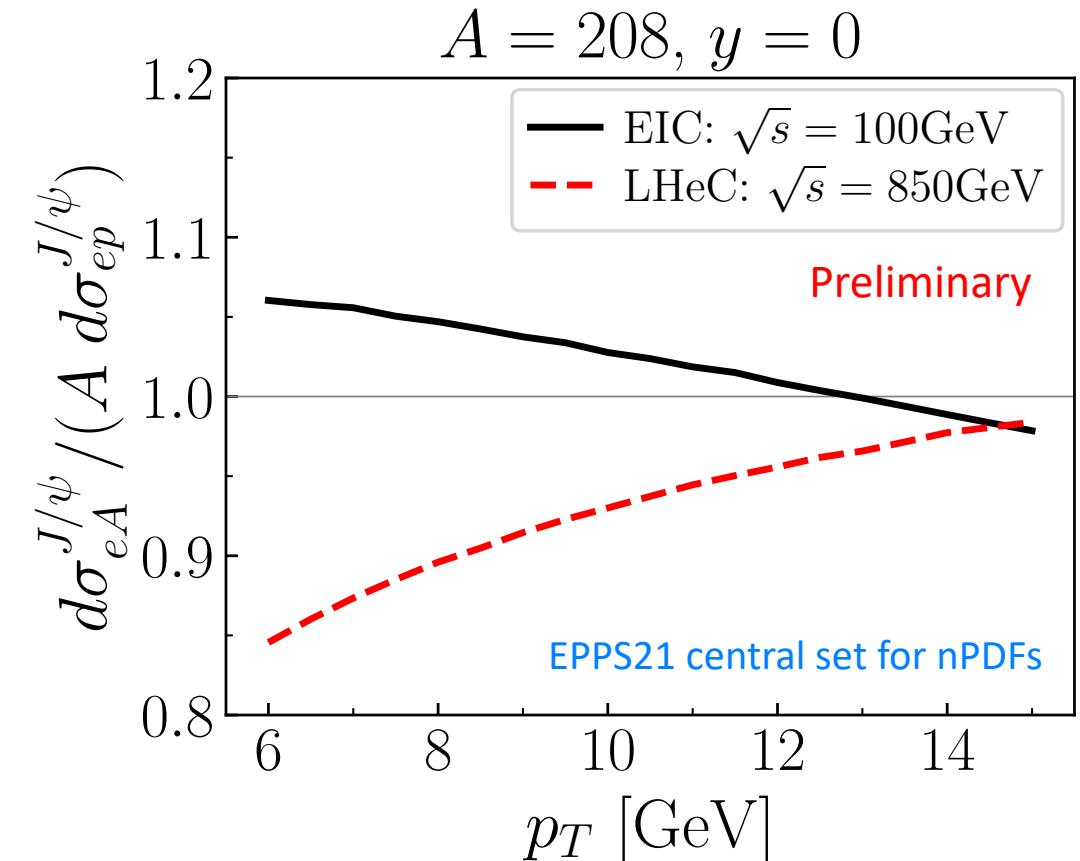
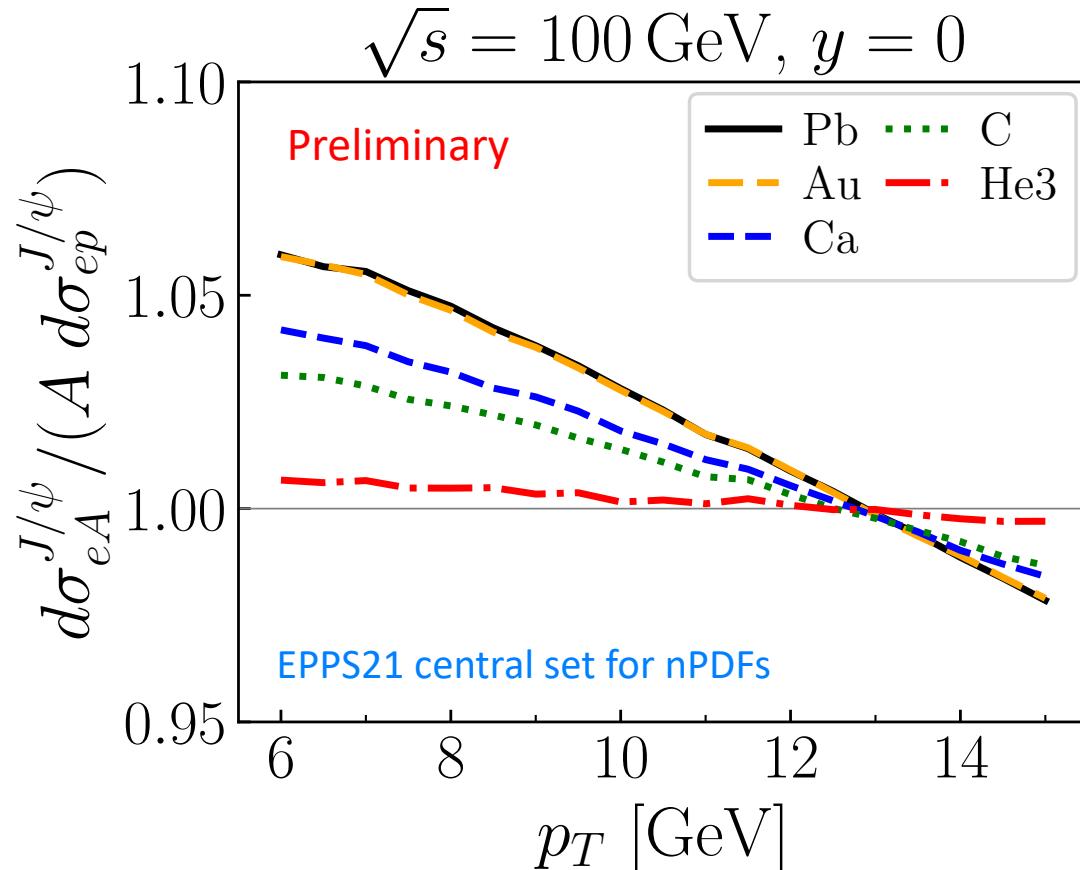
Guo, Qiu, Zhang, PRL 2000



Qiu, Vary, Zhang, PRL 2002

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# Nuclear modification from nuclear PDFs



- The onset of nuclear anti-shadowing or EMC effects can be seen in  $J/\psi$  production at high  $P_T$  in  $eA$  collisions at the U.S.-EIC.
- LHeC experiments could allow us to explore nuclear shadowing effect.

# Summary and Outlook

- We studied the QCD factorization for single inclusive  $J/\psi$  production at high  $P_T$ 
  - Our approach can consistently describe the full  $P_T$  distribution of  $J/\psi$  production at Tevatron and the LHC
  - The LP contribution dominates the high  $P_T$  regime while NLP contribution is necessary for the low  $P_T$  shape
  - Theory predictions could be further improved with better determined FFs
  - The FFs at the input scale  $\mu_0$  can be extracted for testing NRQCD factorization
- We calculated single inclusive  $J/\psi$  production at high  $P_T$  in lepton-hadron collisions at the EIC
  - We do not need to introduce artificial cut to separate the lepto- and photo-production of  $J/\psi$
  - Both are very naturally included in our factorization formalism with universal LDFs
  - We found NLP contribution from the production of charm-anticharm pair dominates the production rate
  - We introduced a systematic matching between the fixed-order NRQCD calculation and our factorized contributions
- We calculated nuclear dependence of  $J/\psi$  production in eA collisions
  - Soft interaction between colliding nuclei and the hadronization to  $J/\psi$  can potentially break the factorization
  - Nuclear dependence from nuclear PDFs, multiple scattering, and de-coherence of the charm-anticharm pair
- Heavy quarkonium production offers more opportunities and challenges

Thanks!

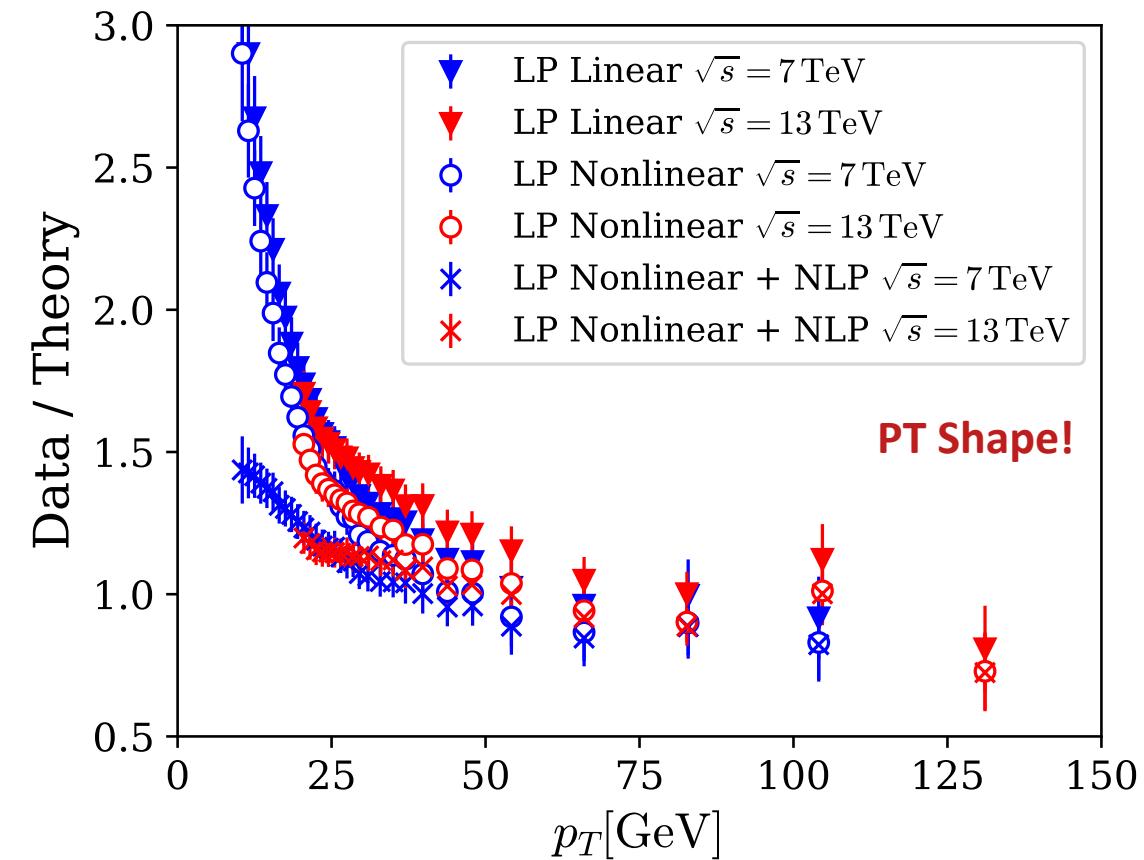
## Backup slides

# Single inclusive $J/\psi$ -production in hadronic collisions

## □ Leading power contribution:

- Fitting the LP formalism with the linear evolution eq. to CMS data on high  $p_T$  prompt  $J/\psi$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 7, 13$  TeV in the bin,  $|y| < 1.2$ .
- # of data points in a fit: 3@7TeV + 4@13TeV = 7 for  $p_T \geq 60$  GeV.
- Only the  $^1S_0^{[8]}$  channel is considered, yielding unpolarized  $J/\psi$ . The other two color octet channels could overshoot data by combining LP and NLP.
- $\langle \mathcal{O}(^1S_0^{[8]}) \rangle / \text{GeV}^3 = 0.1286 \pm 5.179 \cdot 10^{-3}$  fitted by high  $p_T$  data is similar to the one extracted using fixed order NRQCD at NLO. [Chao, Ma, Shao, Wang, Zhang, PRL108, 242004 \(2012\)](#)
- Global data fitting is useful to pin down LDMEs and the shape of input FFs.

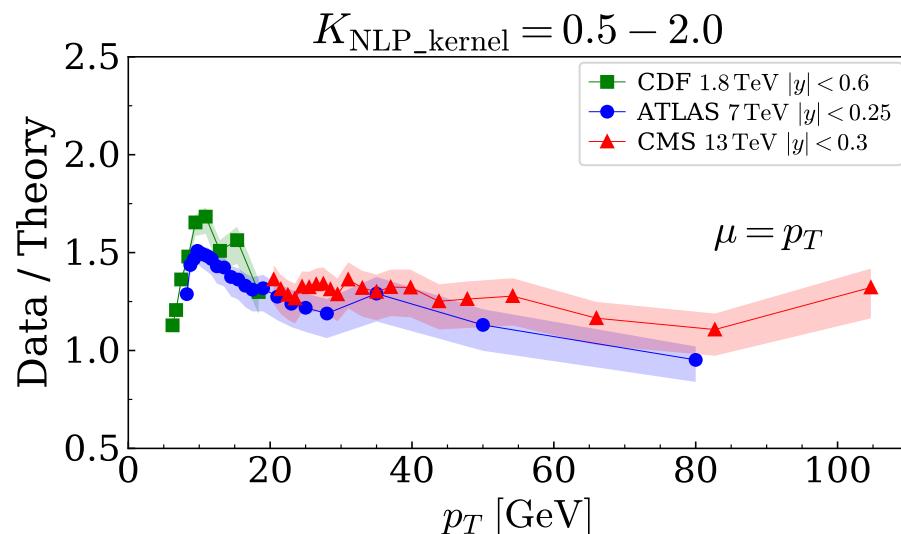
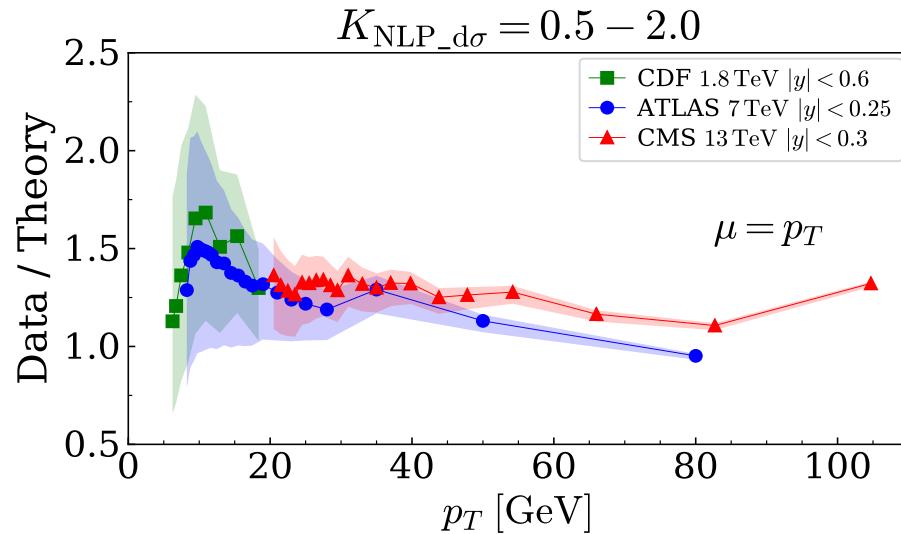
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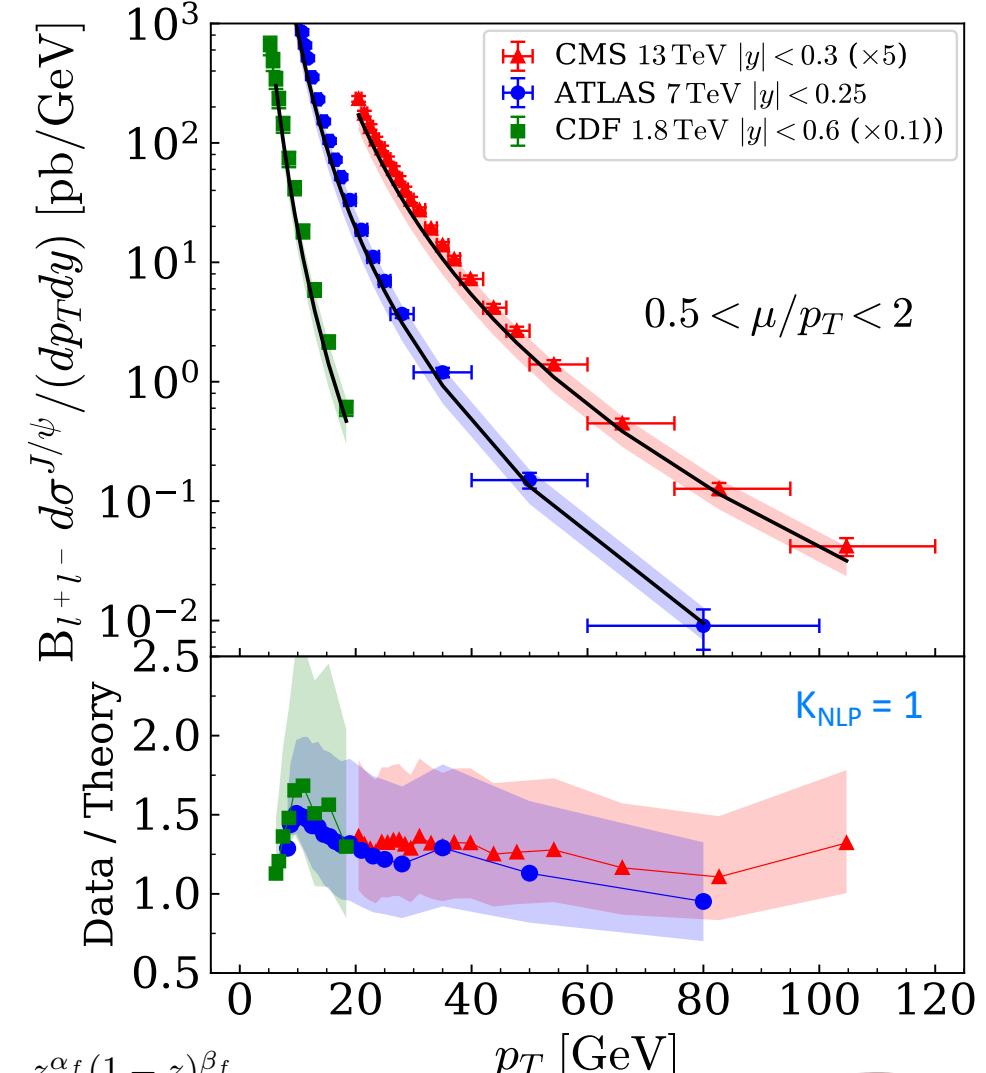
The “power corrections” do not vanish even at the highest  $p_T$ , giving 10-30% corrections.  
At  $p_T = 30$  GeV and below, the NLP corrections become significant.

# Uncertainty of theoretical calculations for hadronic collisions

## □ K-factor for NLP:



## □ Choice of factorization/renormalization scale:



Model III FFs:

$$D_{f \rightarrow H}(z) = N_f \frac{z^{\alpha_f} (1-z)^{\beta_f}}{B(1+\alpha_f, 1+\beta_f)}$$