Heavy quark and hadron production at LHC: k_T-factorization and CASCADE predictions versus data

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1. Motivation

Heavy production at h.e. is subject of intense studies from both theor. and exp. points of view.
Firstly, in order to test QCD predictions.
Secondly, b-jets represent an important source of background to many of the searches at LHC as the Higgs boson and SUSY extentions of SM.
Our study is motivated by very recent measurement of open beauty quark and b-jet production performed by the CMS Collaboration. It was observed that the data tends to be higher than the MC@NLO predictions and that the shape of the pseudo-rapidity distribution is not well described by MC@NLO. The p_T-spectra of b-jets are not well discribed too.

Recently we have demonstrated reasonable agreement between the k_T-factorization predictions and the Tevatron data on the b-quarks, $b\bar{b}$ di-jets, B^+- and D-mesons:

H. Jung, M. Krämer, A.V. Lipatov, N.Z., JHEP 1101 (2011) 085.

Based on these results, here we give first analysis of the CMS data in the framework of the k_T-factorization approach.

We produce the relevant numerical calculations in two ways:

- **We will perform analytical parton-level calculations (which are labeled as LZ).**
- **The measured cross sections of heavy quark production will be compared also with the predictions of full hadron level Monte Carlo event generator CASCADE:**

H. Jung, Comp. Phys. Comm. 143 (2002) 100;

H. Jung, S. Baranov, M. Deak at al. Eur. Phys. J. C70 (2010) 1237.

2. Ingredients of the k_T-factorization

- **The basic dynamical quantity of the k_T-factorization approach is the unintegrated ($\mathbf{k}_T$-dependent) gluon distribution (UGD) $\mathcal{A}(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2)$ obtained from the analytical or numerical solution of the BFKL or CCFM evolution equations.**
  The cross section of any physical process is calculated as a convolution of the partonic cross section $\hat{\sigma}$ and the u.g.d. $\mathcal{A}_g(x, k_T^2, \mu^2)$, which depend on both the longitudinal momentum fraction x and transverse momentum k_T:

$$\sigma_{pp} = \int \mathcal{A}_g(x_1, k_{1T}^2, \mu^2)\, \mathcal{A}_g(x_2, k_{2T}^2, \mu^2) \hat{\sigma}_{gg}(x_1, x_2, k_{1T}^2, k_{2T}^2, ...)\, dx_1\, dx_2\, dk_{1T}^2\, dk_{2T}^2.$$

- **The partonic cross section $\hat{\sigma}$ has to be taken off mass shell ($\mathbf{k}_T$-dependent).**

- **It also assumes a modification of their polarization density matrix. It has to be taken in BFKL form:**

$$\sum \epsilon^{\mu} \epsilon^{*\,\nu} = \frac{k_T^{\mu} k_T^{\nu}}{\mathbf{k}_T^2}.$$

E.A. Kuraev, L.N. Lipatov, V.S. Fadin, Sov. Phys. JETP 45 (1977) 199;
Ya. Balitsky, L.N. Lipatov, Sov. J. Nucl. Phys. 28 (1978) 822.

Concerning the uPDF in a proton, we used two different sets.

First of them is the KMR one. The KMR approach represent an approximate treatment of the parton evolution mainly based on the DGLAP equation and incorpotating the BFKL effects at the last step of the parton ladder only, in the form of the properly defined Sudakov formfactors $T_q(\mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2)$ and $T_g(\mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2)$, including logarithmic loop coorections.

M. Kimber, A. Martin, M. Ryskin, Phys. Rev. D63 (2001) 114027.

We use the version of KMRW UPD obtained from DGLAP eqs.:

G. Watt, A.D. Martin, M.G. Ryskin, Eur. Phys. C31 (2003) 73.

The CCFM ev. eq. have been solved numerically using a Monte-Carlo method:

H. Jung, hep-ph/9908497;

H. Jung, G. Salam, EPJ C19 (2001) 359.

According to the CCFM ev. eq., the emission of gluons during the initial cascade is only allowed in an angular-ordered region of phase space. The maximum allowed angle Ξ related to the hard quark box sets the scale μ: $\mu^2 = \hat{s} + \mathbf{Q}_T^2 (= \mu_f^2)$.
UGD are determined by a convolution of the non-perturbative starting distribution $\mathcal{A}_0(x)$ and CCFM evolution denoted by $\bar{\mathcal{A}}(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2)$:

$$x\mathcal{A}(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2) \;=\; \int dz \mathcal{A}_0(z) \frac{x}{z} \bar{\mathcal{A}}(\frac{x}{z}, \mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2),$$

where

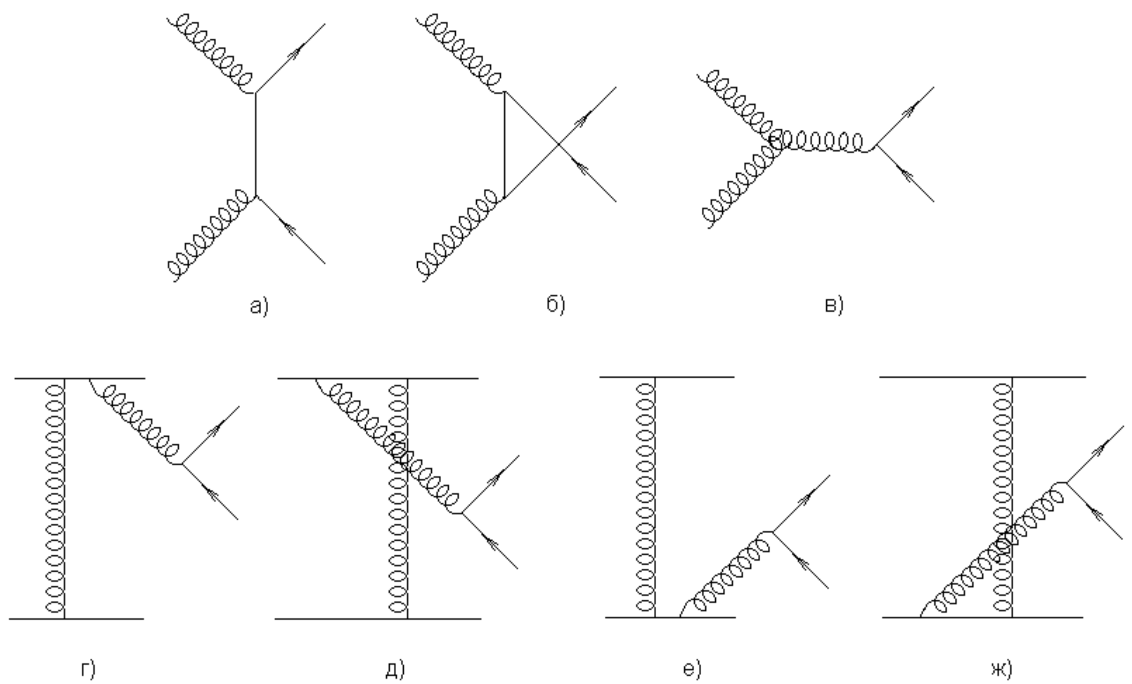
$$x\mathcal{A}_0(x) \;=\; N x^{p_0} (1-x)^{p_1} \exp(-\mathbf{k}_T^2/k_0^2).$$

The parameters were determined in the fit to F_2 data.

4. Numerical results

Heavy quark production in pp-interaction.

The hard partonic subprocess $g^*g^* \to Q\bar{Q}$ **amplitude is described by three Feynman's diagrams.**



The cross section of the process $pp \to Q\bar{Q}X$ is

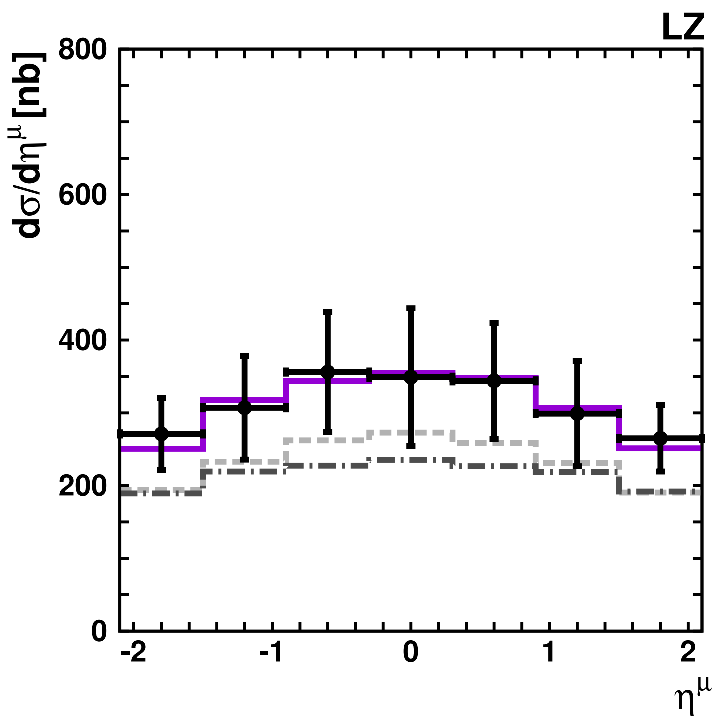
$$\sigma(p\bar{p} \to Q\bar{Q}\,X) = \frac{1}{16\pi(x_1 x_2 s)^2} \int \mathcal{A}(x_1, \mathbf{k}_{1T}^2, \mu^2)\mathcal{A}(x_2, \mathbf{k}_{2T}^2, \mu^2)|\bar{\mathcal{M}}(g^* g^* \to Q\bar{Q})|^2 \times$$

$$\times d\mathbf{p}_{1T}^2 d\mathbf{k}_{1T}^2 d\mathbf{k}_{2T}^2 dy_1^* dy_2^* \frac{d\phi_1}{2\pi}\frac{d\phi_2}{2\pi}.$$

In the numerical calculations in the case CCFM u.g.d. we have used two different sets, namely A0 and B0. The difference between these sets is connected with the different values of soft cut and width of the intrinsic $\mathbf{k}_T$ distribution. A reasonable description of the F_2 data can be achieved by both these sets.
For KMR we have used the standard GRV 94 (LO) (in LZ calculations) and MRST 99 (in CASCADE) sets.
The unintegrated gluon distributions depend on the renormalization and factorization scales μ_R and μ_F. We set $\mu_R^2 = m_Q^2 + (\mathbf{p}_{1T}^2 + \mathbf{p}_{2T}^2)/2$, $\mu_F^2 = \hat{s} + \mathbf{Q}_T^2$, where $\mathbf{Q}_T$ is the transverse momentum of the initial off-shell gluon pair, $m_c = 1.4 \pm 0.1$ GeV, $m_b = 4.75 \pm 0.25$ GeV. We use the LO formula for the coupling $\alpha_s(\mu_R^2)$ with $n_f = 4$ active quark flavors at $\Lambda_{\rm QCD} = 200$ MeV, such that $\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1232$.

We begin the discussion by presenting our results for the muons originating from the semileptonic decays of the b quarks.

To produce muons from b-quarks, we first convert b-quarks into B mesons using the Peterson fragmentation function with default value $\epsilon_b = 0.006$ and then simulate their semileptonic decay according to the standard electroweak theory taking into account the decays $b \to \mu$ as well as the cascade decay $b \to c \to \mu$. In CASCADE calculations also Peterson f. f. is used but with full PYTHIA fragmentation.



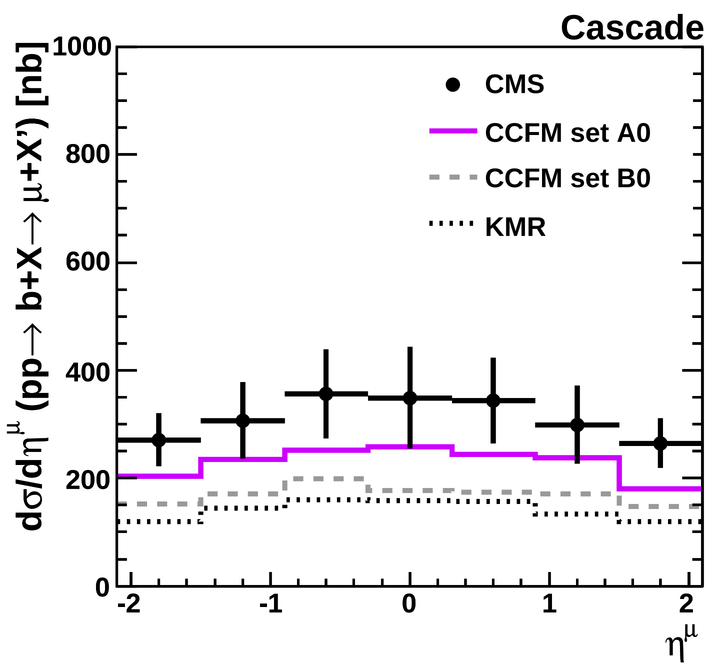
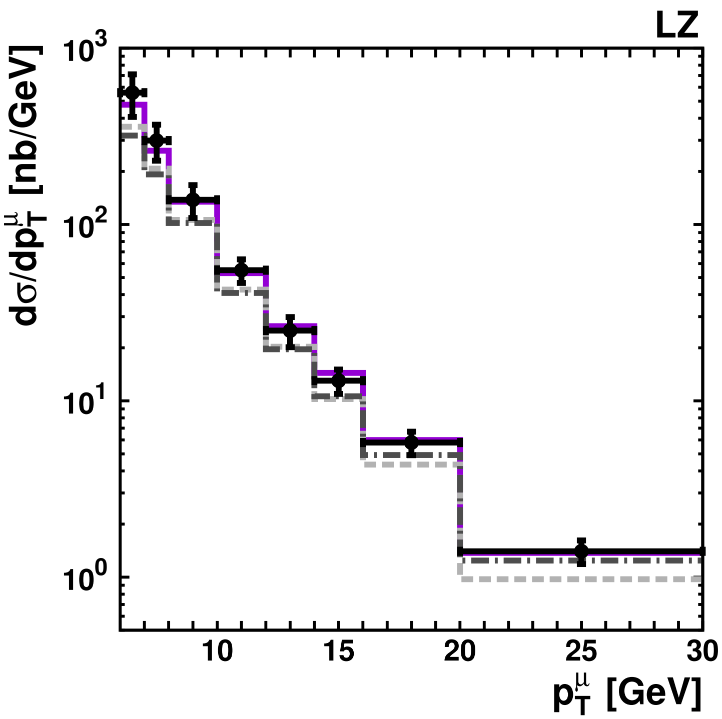


Figure 1: The pseudo-rapidity distributions of muons arising from the semileptonic decays of beauty quarks. The first column shows the LZ numerical results while the second one depicts the CASCADE predictions. The solid, dashed and dash-dotted, dotted histograms correspond to the results obtained with the CCFM A0, B0 and KMR unintegrated gluon densities. The experimental data are from CMS.



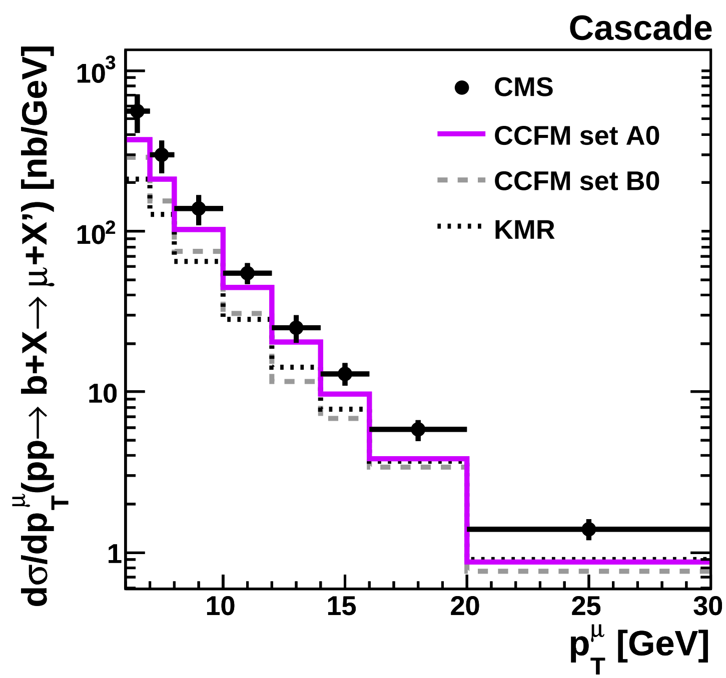


Figure 2: The transverse momentum distributions of muons arising from the semileptonic decays of beauty quarks. The first column shows the LZ numerical results while the second one depicts the CASCADE predictions. Notation of all histograms is the same as in Fig. 1. The experimental data are from CMS.

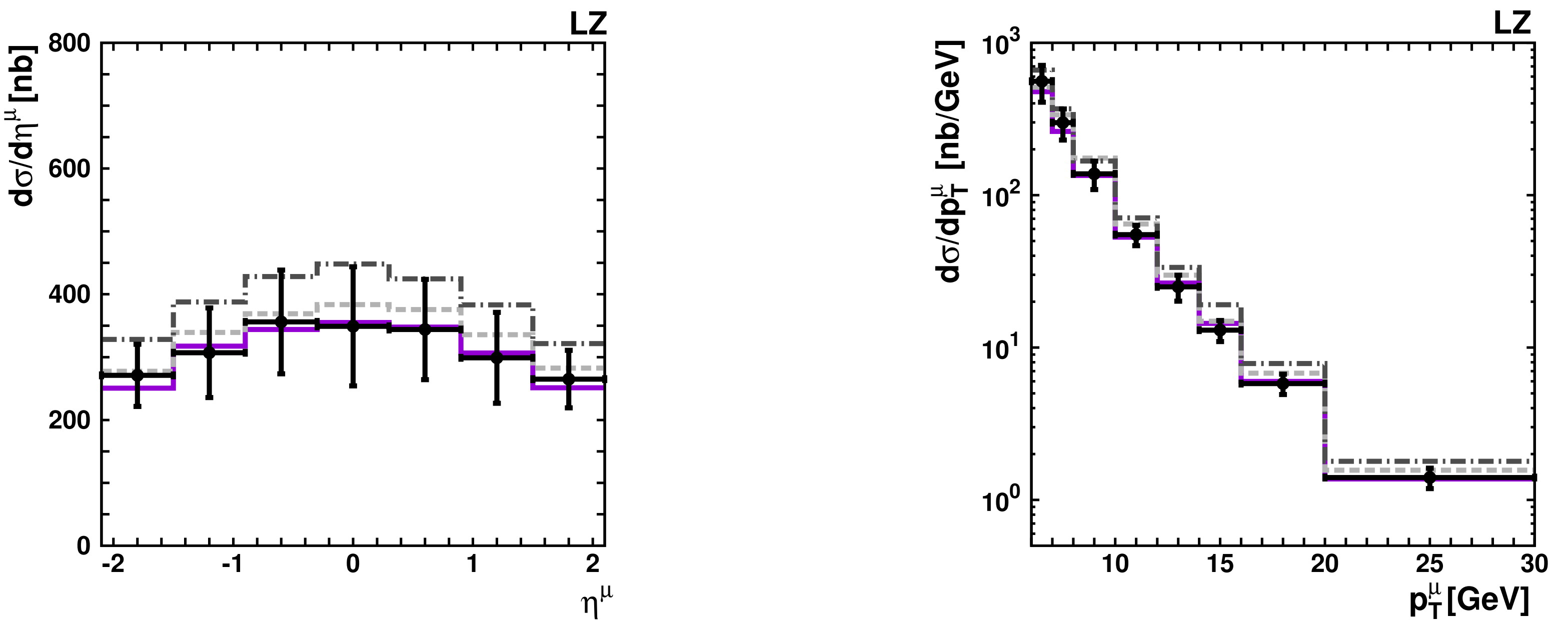


Figure 3: The dependence of our predictions on the fragmentation scheme. The soild, dashed and dash-dotted histograms correspond to the results obtained using the Peterson fragmentation function with $\epsilon_b = 0.006$, $\epsilon_b = 0.003$ and the non-perturbative fragmentation functions respectively. We use CCFM (A0) gluon density for illustration. The experimental data are from CMS.

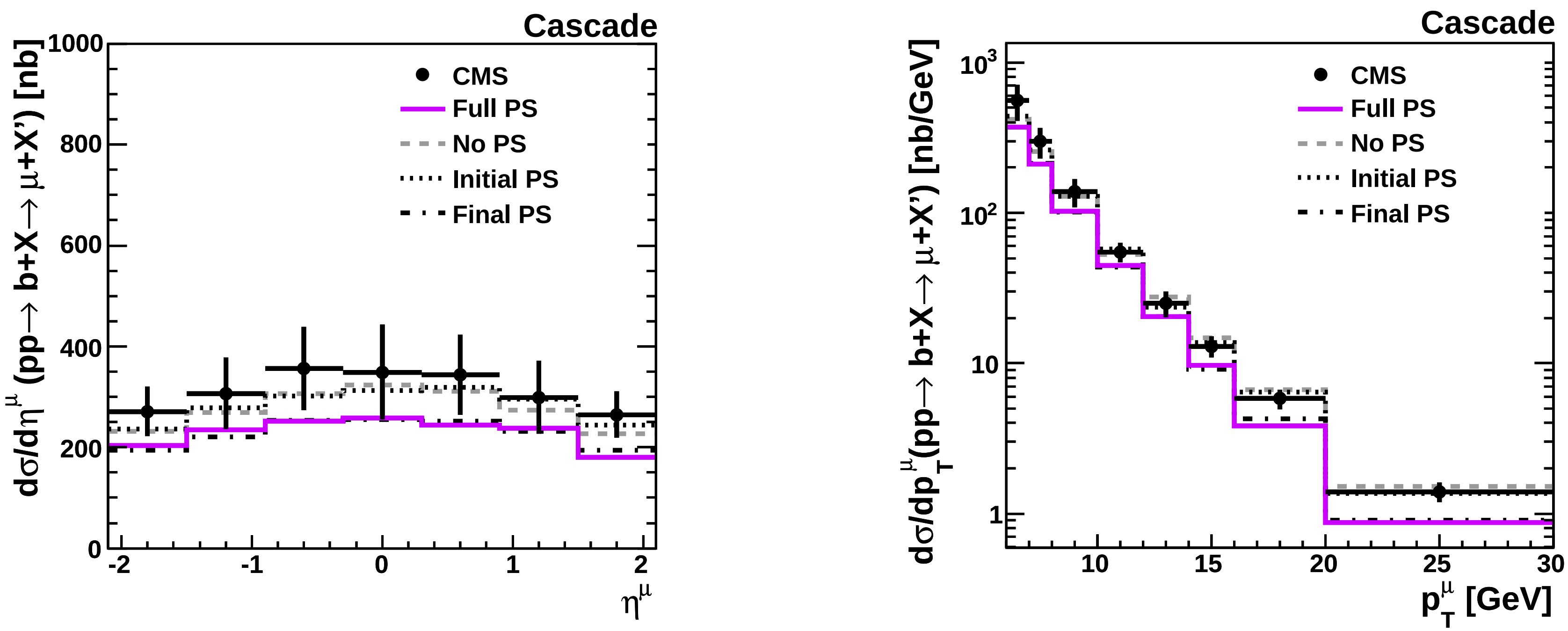


Figure 4: Parton shower effects in the pseudo-rapidity and transverse momentum distributions of the muons. The four lines represent full parton shower (solid line), no parton shower (dashed line), initial state parton shower (dashed dotted line) and final state parton shower (dotted line).

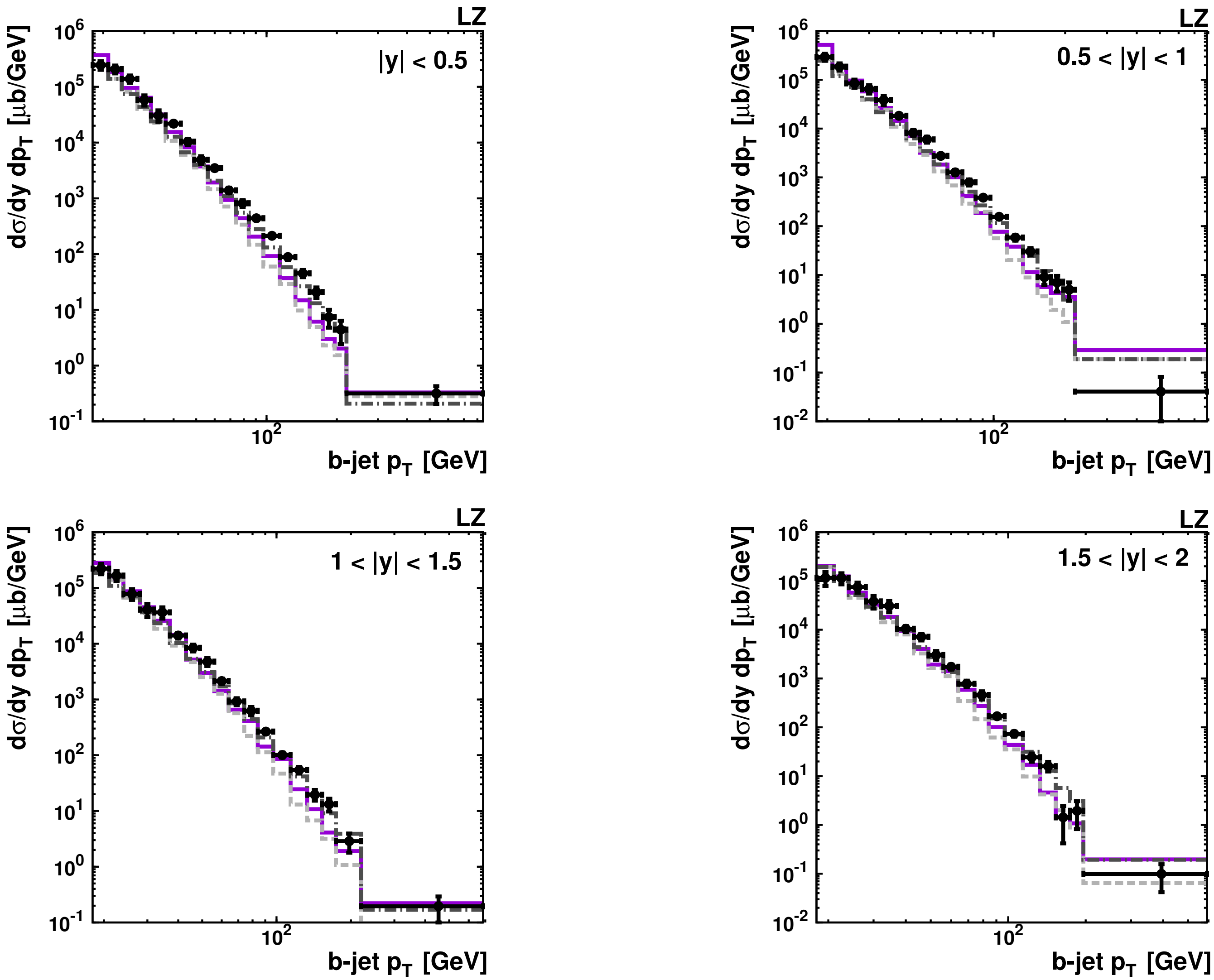


Figure 5: The double differential cross sections $d\sigma/dy\,dp_T$ of inclusive b-jet production as a function of p_T in different y regions calculated at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV (LZ predictions). Notation of all histograms is the same as in Fig. 2. The experimental data are from CMS.

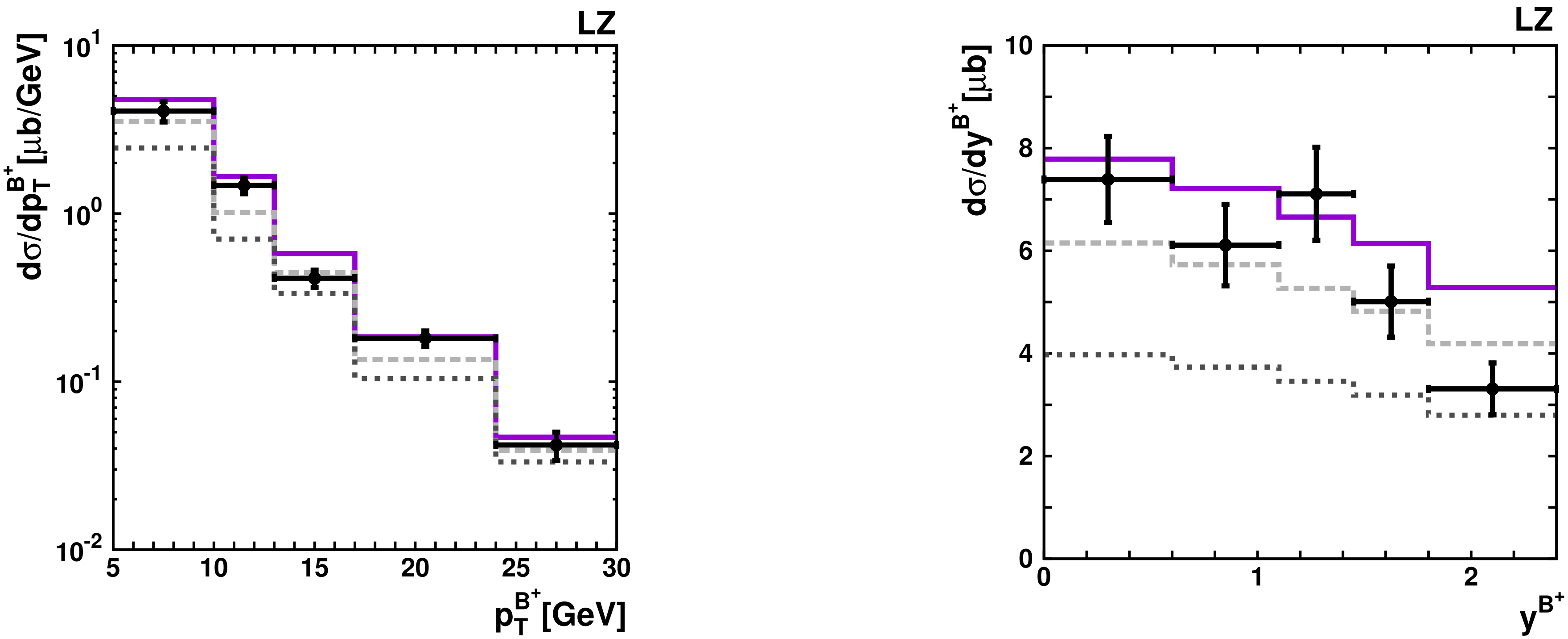


Figure 6: The p_T and y distributions of B^+ mesons. The solid and dashed and dotted histograms correspond to the results obtained with the CCFM A0, B0 and KMR unintegrated gluon densities. The exp. data from CMS.

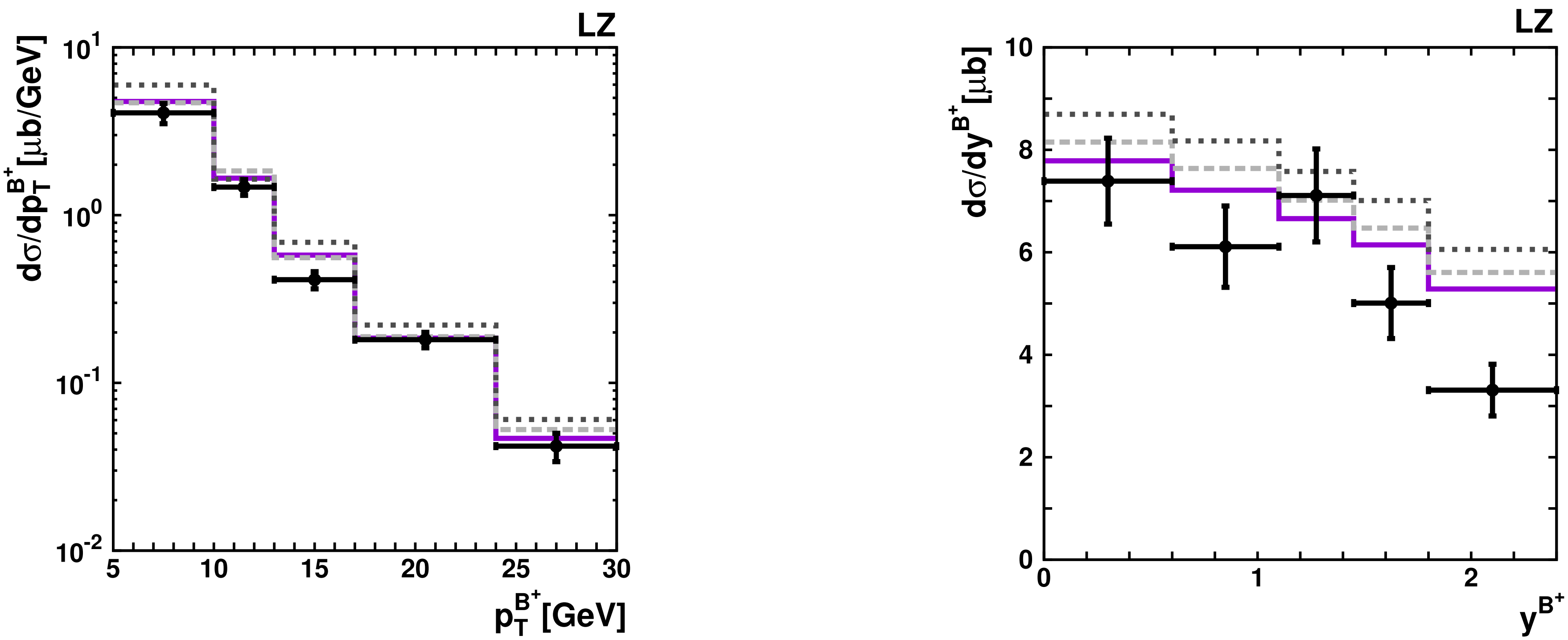


Figure 7: The p_T and y distributions of B^+ mesons. Theory - different f.f.: $\epsilon_b = 0.006$ (solid), $\epsilon_b = 0.003$ (dashed) and nonperturbative f.f. (dotted). The exp. data from CMS.

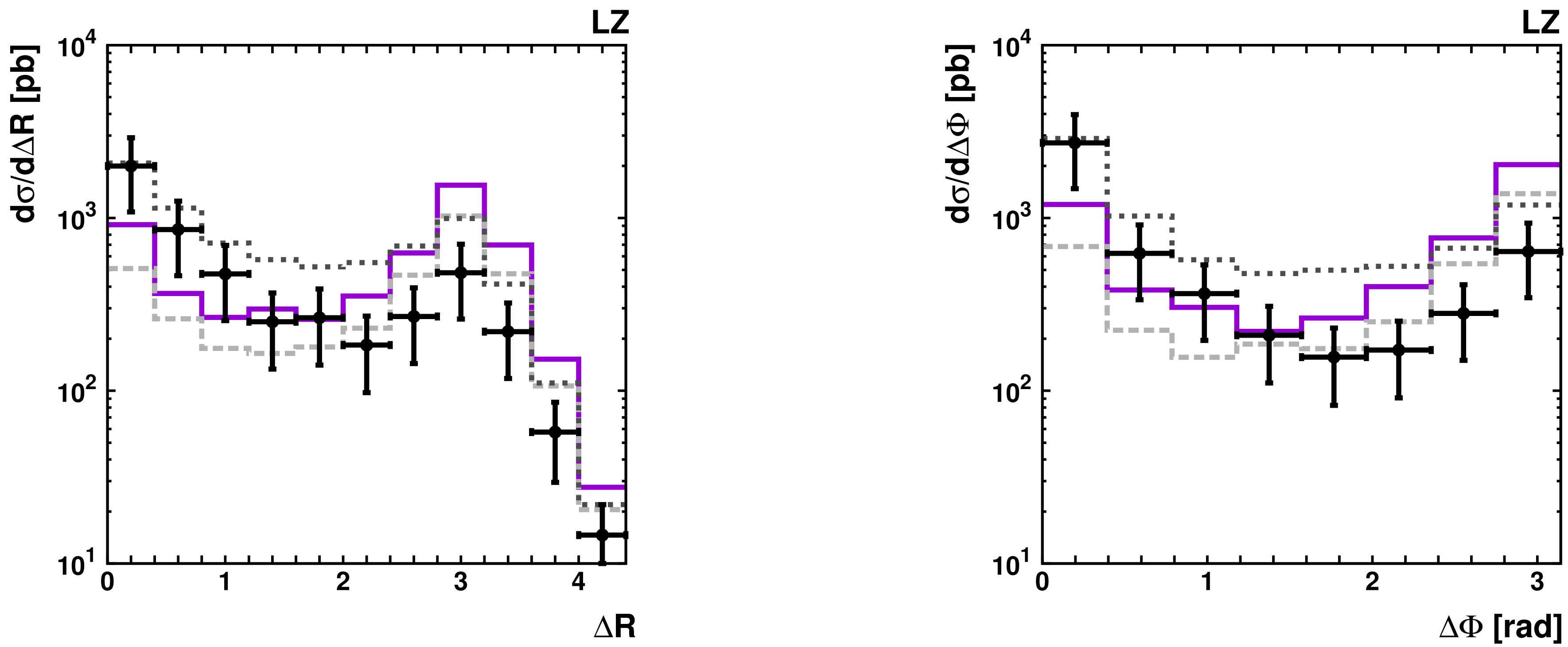


Figure 8: The ΔR and $\Delta\Phi$ distributions of hadrons. The solid, dashed and dotted histograms correspond to the results obtained with the CCFM A0, B0 and KMR unintegrated gluon densities. The exp. data from CMS.

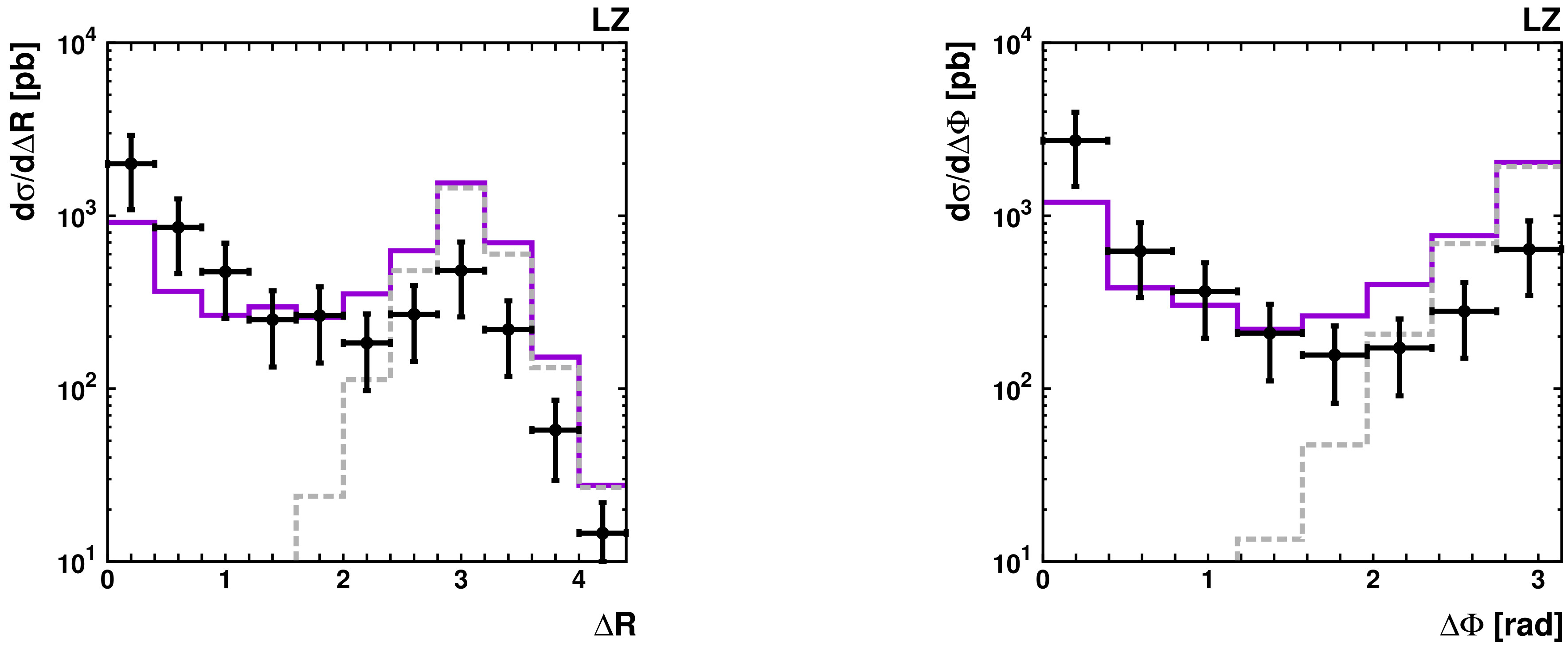


Figure 9: The ΔR and $\Delta\Phi$ distributions of hadrons. Theory: CCFM AO u.g.d. with off mass shell m.e. (solid) and with on mass shell m.e. (dashed). The exp. data from CMS.

Conclusions

- **We have analysed the data on the beauty production in pp collisions at Tevatron and LHC.**
- **Our study is based on a semi-analytical parton level calculations and a full hadron level MC generator CASCADE.**
- **The overall description of the data is reasonable. In most of the b-quark distributons it is similar to MC@NLO except in some particular distributions where the k_T-factorization approach describes the data better, like in b-jet.**
- **Preliminary description of hadron exp. data from CMS is reasonable too. The ΔR and $\Delta\Phi$ distributions of hadrons show off mass shell effects.**

Backup slides

KMR UPDFs are given by

$$\mathcal{A}_q(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2) = T_q(\mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2)\frac{\alpha_s(\mathbf{k}_T^2)}{2\pi}\times$$
$$\times \int\limits_x^1 dz \left[P_{qq}(z)\frac{x}{z}q\left(\frac{x}{z}, \mathbf{k}_T^2\right)\Theta\left(\Delta - z\right) + P_{qg}(z)\frac{x}{z}g\left(\frac{x}{z}, \mathbf{k}_T^2\right)\right], \quad (1)$$

$$\mathcal{A}_g(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2) = T_g(\mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2)\frac{\alpha_s(\mathbf{k}_T^2)}{2\pi}\times$$
$$\times \int\limits_x^1 dz \left[\sum_q P_{gq}(z)\frac{x}{z}q\left(\frac{x}{z}, \mathbf{k}_T^2\right) + P_{gg}(z)\frac{x}{z}g\left(\frac{x}{z}, \mathbf{k}_T^2\right)\Theta\left(\Delta - z\right)\right]. \quad (2)$$

Θ-functions imply the angular-ordering constraint $\Delta = \mu/(\mu + k_T)$ specifically to the last evalution step (to regulate the soft gluon singularities). For other evolution steps the strong ordering in transverse momentum within DGLAP eq. automatically ensures angular ordering.

$T_a(\mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2)$ **- the probability of evolving from** $\mathbf{k}_T^2$ **to** μ^2 **without parton emission.** $T_a(\mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2) = 1$ **at** $\mathbf{k}_T^2 > \mu^2$**.**
Such definition of the $\mathcal{A}_a(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2)$ **is correct for** $\mathbf{k}_T^2 > \mu_0^2$ **only, where** $\mu_0 \sim 1$ **GeV is the minimum scale for which DGLAP evolution of the collinear parton densities is valid.**
In this case ($a(x, \mu^2) = xG$ **or** $a(x, \mu^2) = xq$**) the normalization condition**

$$a(x, \mu^2) = \int\limits_0^{\mu^2} \mathcal{A}_a(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2) d\mathbf{k}_T^2,$$

is satisfied, if

$$\mathcal{A}_a(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2)|_{\mathbf{k}_T^2 < \mu_0^2} = a(x, \mu_0^2) T_a(\mu_0^2, \mu^2),$$

where $T_a(\mu_0^2, \mu^2)$ **are the quark and gluon Sudakov form factors.**
The UPD $\mathcal{A}_a(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2, \mu^2)$ **is defined in all** $\mathbf{k}_T^2$ **region.**