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Production of two $c\bar{c}$ pairs and two identical D mesons - evidence for double parton scattering mechanism.

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We discuss charm production at LHC. The production of single $c\bar{c}$ pairs is calculated in the k_t -factorization approach. We use several unintegrated gluon distributions from the literature. Some of them include effect of small- x saturation and fulfill Balitsky-Kovchegov evolution equation. The hadronization is included with the help of fragmentation functions found for the production of c (\bar{c}) in e^+e^- collisions. Differential distributions for several charmed mesons will be presented and compared to recent results of the ALICE and LHCb collaborations. Some missing strength is identified. Different schemes of fragmentation are discussed.

We concentrate on production of two pairs of $c\bar{c}$ within a simple formalism of double-parton scattering (DPS). We perform calculation both in collinear and k_t -factorization approaches. Surprisingly large cross sections, comparable to single-parton scattering (SPS) contribution, are predicted for LHC energies.

Both total inclusive cross section as a function of energy and differential distributions are shown.

We include recently discussed evolution of double partons in the case of two scales.

We discuss perspectives how to identify the double scattering contribution. We find much larger cross section for large rapidity distance between charm quarks from different hard parton scatterings compared to single scattering.

Predictions for two $c\bar{c}$ pair production in single-parton scattering will be presented.

We present also first results for the $c\bar{c}c\bar{c}$ production in the k_t -factorization approach. The results are compared with those for the collinear approach.

Predictions for the production of different pairs of charm mesons ($D^0\bar{D}^0$, $D^0\bar{D}^0$, etc.) are presented for the kinematics of ATLAS, CMS, ALICE and LHCb experiment. Differential distributions of single meson provided that both mesons are measured by the detector, distribution in azimuthal angle between two mesons and in meson invariant mass are calculated and will be compared with recent experimental data. Predictions for future measurements are given.

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