Production of two $c\bar{c}$ pairs and two mesons with charm in double-parton scattering: inclusive and correlation observables

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 (high-energy approximation)
- Same flavour *DD* production in DPS (relevance to the recent LHCb results)
- New exact LO SPS calculations of cccc and DD production
- Conclusions

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Low-x physics because c quark mass rather small

3-step process



Dominant mechanisms of $Q\bar{Q}$ production

• Leading order processes contributing to $Q\bar{Q}$ production:



- gluon-gluon fusion dominant at high energies
- $q\bar{q}$ anihilation important only near the threshold
- some of next-to-leading order diagrams:



NLO contributions \rightarrow K-factor



k_t -factorization (semihard) approach



- charm and bottom quarks production at high energies \longrightarrow gluon-gluon fusion
- QCD collinear approach → only inclusive one particle distributions, total cross sections

LO k_t -factorization approach $\longrightarrow \kappa_{1,t}, \kappa_{2,t} \neq 0$ $\Rightarrow Q\bar{Q}$ correlations

multi-differential cross section

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2 p_{1,t} d^2 p_{2,t}} &= \sum_{l,j} \int \frac{d^2 \kappa_{1,t}}{\pi} \frac{d^2 \kappa_{2,t}}{\pi} \frac{1}{16\pi^2 (x_1 x_2 s)^2} \overline{|\mathcal{M}_{lj \to Q\bar{Q}}|^2} \\ &\times \delta^2 \left(\vec{\kappa}_{1,t} + \vec{\kappa}_{2,t} - \vec{p}_{1,t} - \vec{p}_{2,t}\right) \mathcal{F}_l(x_1, \kappa_{1,t}^2) \mathcal{F}_j(x_2, \kappa_{2,t}^2) \end{aligned}$$

- off-shell $\overline{|\mathcal{M}_{gg \to Q\bar{Q}}|^2} \longrightarrow$ Catani, Ciafaloni, Hautmann (rather long formula)
- major part of NLO corrections automatically included
- $\mathcal{F}_i(x_1, \kappa_{1,t}^2)$, $\mathcal{F}_j(x_2, \kappa_{2,t}^2)$ unintegrated parton distributions

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$$x_1 = \frac{m_{1,t}}{\sqrt{s}} \exp(y_1) + \frac{m_{2,t}}{\sqrt{s}} \exp(y_2),$$

 $x_2 = \frac{m_{1,t}}{\sqrt{s}} \exp(-y_1) + \frac{m_{2,t}}{\sqrt{s}} \exp(-y_2),$ where $m_{l,t} = \sqrt{p_{l,t}^2 + m_Q^2}.$





Unintegrated parton distribution functions

- k_t -factorization \rightarrow replacement: $p_k(x, \mu_F^2) \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}_k(x, \kappa_t^2, \mu_F^2)$
- PDFs → UPDFs

$$xp_k(x,\mu_F^2) = \int_0^\infty d\kappa_t^2 \mathcal{F}(x,\kappa_t^2,\mu_F^2)$$

 UPDFs - needed in less inclusive measurements which are sensitive to the transverse momentum of the parton

gg-fusion dominance \Rightarrow great test of existing unintegrated gluon densities! especially at LHC (small-x)

several models:

- Jung, Kwiecinski (CCFM, wide x-range)
- Kimber-Martin-Ryskin (higher x-values)
- Kutak-Stasto (small-x, saturation effects)
- Ivanov-Nikolaev, GBW, Karzeev-Levin, etc.



Fragmentation functions technique



- fragmentation functions extracted from e^+e^- data
- often used: Braaten et al., Kartvelishvili et al., Peterson et al.
- rescalling transverse momentum at a constant rapidity (angle)
- from heavy quarks to heavy mesons:

$$\frac{d\sigma(y, p_t^M)}{dyd^2p_t^M} \approx \int \frac{D_{Q \to M}(z)}{z^2} \cdot \frac{d\sigma(y, p_t^Q)}{dyd^2p_t^Q} dz$$

where:
$$p_t^{Q} = \frac{p_t^M}{z}$$
 and $z \in (0, 1)$

• approximation:

rapidity unchanged in the fragmentation process $\rightarrow y_Q \approx y_M$

Production of *D* mesons in this framework:

Maciula, Szczurek, Phys. Rev. D87 (2013) 094022.



D mesons, different UGDFs





- various UGDFs models → crucial test of their applicability at high energies and small x-values
- only KMR model gives good description of the ALICE and LHCb data
- significant difference between LO parten model and LO k_t-factorization

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Effects of hadronization and quark mass uncertainty for KMR UGDF



Production of two $c\bar{c}$ pairs in double-parton scattering

Consider two hard (parton) scatterings



Luszczak, Maciula, Szczurek, arXiv:1111.3255, Phys.Rev. **D85** (2012) 094034,



Maciula, Szczurek, arXiv:1301.4469, Phys. Rev. D87 (2013) 074037.

Formalism

Consider reaction: $pp \rightarrow c\bar{c}c\bar{c}X$ Modeling double-parton scattering Factorized form:

$$\sigma^{DPS}(pp \rightarrow c\bar{c}c\bar{c}X) = rac{1}{2\sigma_{eff}}\sigma^{SPS}(pp \rightarrow c\bar{c}X_1) \cdot \sigma^{SPS}(pp \rightarrow c\bar{c}X_2).$$

The simple formula can be generalized to include differential distributions

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2 p_{1t} dy_3 dy_4 d^2 p_{2t}} = \frac{1}{2\sigma_{\text{eff}}} \cdot \frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2 p_{1t}} \cdot \frac{d\sigma}{dy_3 dy_4 d^2 p_{2t}} \cdot \frac{\sigma_{\text{eff}}}{dy_3 dy_4 d^2 p_{2t}} \cdot \frac{\sigma_{\text{eff}}}{dy_4 dy_4 dy_4 dy_4 dy_4 dy_4 dy_4 dy$$

Formalism

$$d\sigma^{DPS} = \frac{1}{2\sigma_{eff}} F_{gg}(x_1, x_2, \mu_1^2, \mu_2^2) F_{gg}(x_1' x_2', \mu_1^2, \mu_2^2) d\sigma_{gg \to c\bar{c}}(x_1, x_1', \mu_1^2) d\sigma_{gg \to c\bar{c}}(x_2, x_2', \mu_2^2) dx_1 dx_2 dx_1' dx_2'.$$

 $F_{gg}(x_1, x_2, \mu_1^2, \mu_2^2), F_{gg}(x_1'x_2', \mu_1^2, \mu_2^2)$ are called double parton distributions

dPDF are subjected to special evolution equations single scale evolution: Snigirev double scale evolution: Ceccopieri, Gaunt-Stirling



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What the σ_{eff} is?

It is much easier to understand the DPS in the impact parameter space. Then one considers even more generalized objects:

$$\Gamma_{i,j}(x_1, x_2; \mathbf{b_1}, \mathbf{b_2}; \mu_1^2, \mu_2^2) = F_{i,j}(x_1, x_2; \mu_1^2, \mu_2^2) f(\mathbf{b_1}) f(\mathbf{b_2})$$

 $f(\mathbf{b_i})$ universal functions for all kinds of partons with:

$$\int f({f b_1})f({f b_1}-{f b})d^2b_1d^2b = \int T({f b})d^2b = 1$$
 ,

where

$$T(\mathbf{b}) = \int f(\mathbf{b}_1) f(\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{b}) d^2 b_1$$

is the overlap function.

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Then:

$$\sigma_{
m eff} = \left(\int d^2 b \; (T(b))^2
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Universal function

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Simple estimate of $\sigma_{\rm eff}$

Naive estimate:

- gluon distribution in the proton: $\rho \propto \exp(-r^2/a^2)$
- overlap function as a function of impact parameter: $F(b) \propto \int d^2 r \rho(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{b}) \propto \exp(-b^2/2a^2)$
- Then $\sigma_{eff} = 4\pi a^2$
- If *a* i reflecting the proton radius $\sigma_{exp} > 4\pi a^2$



Inclusive cross section more difficult to calculate $\sigma_{SS}, 2\sigma_{DS} < \sigma_c^{inclusive} < \sigma_{SS} + 2\sigma_{DS}$





In the factorized model inclusive double-scattering distributions in y and p_t are identical as for single- $c\bar{c}$ production.





DPS: large rapidity differences, large invariant masses

- Not possible for quarks (antiquarks)
- mesons ?
- nonphotonic electrons (muons) ?



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Large transverse momenta of the cc or $\bar{c}\bar{c}$ pairs



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Evolution of dPDFs



Gaunt-Stirling dPDFs with evolution very small effect of the evolution



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From quarks/antiquarks to D mesons

large transverse momentum of cc or $c\bar{c}$ transverse D^0D^0 momentum distribution



ATLAS: -2.5 < η_1 < -2.0 and 2.0 < η_2 < 2.5 ALICE: -0.9 < η_1 , η_2 < 0.9



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DPS in k_t -factorization

Generalize the LO collinear approach to

kt-factorization approach.

More complicated (more kinematical variables) as momenta of

outgoing partons are less correlated

We need information about each quark and antiquark

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2 p_{1,t} d^2 p_{2,t} dy_3 dy_4 d^2 p_{3,t} d^2 p_{4,t}} = \frac{1}{2\sigma_{\text{eff}}} \cdot \frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2 p_{1,t} d^2 p_{2,t}} \cdot \frac{d\sigma}{dy_3 dy_3 d^2 p_{3,t} d^2 p_{4,t}}$$
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12 dimensions (!)

DPS in k_t -factorization

Each individual scattering in the k_t -factorization approach

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_1 dy_2 d^2 p_{1,t} d^2 p_{2,t}} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2 \hat{s}^2}$$

$$\int \overline{|\mathcal{M}_{off}|^2} \delta\left(\vec{k}_{1t} + \vec{k}_{2t} - \vec{p}_{1t} - \vec{p}_{2t}\right) \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{k}_{1t}^2, \mu^2) \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{k}_{2t}^2, \mu^2) \frac{d^2 k_{1t}}{\pi} \frac{d^2 k_{2t}}{\pi}}{\pi}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_3 dy_4 d^2 p_{3,t} d^2 p_{4,t}} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2 \hat{s}^2}$$

$$\int \overline{|\mathcal{M}_{off}|^2} \delta\left(\vec{k}_{3t} + \vec{k}_{4t} - \vec{p}_{3t} - \vec{p}_{4t}\right) \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{k}_{3t}^2, \mu^2) \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{k}_{4t}^2, \mu^2) \frac{d^2 k_{3t}}{\pi} \frac{d^2 k_{4t}}{\pi}}{\pi}$$

Effectively 16 dimensions, Monte Carlo method Maciula-Szczurek, hep-ph-1301.4469, Phys. Rev. **D87** (2013) 074039.

DPS k_t -factorization calculation



The same situation as in collinear approach



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DPS k_t -factorization calculation vs LHCb

Table: Total cross sections

| Mode | σ_{tot}^{EXP} | KMR | Jung setA0+ | KMS |
|---------------|----------------------|-----|-------------|-----|
| $D^0 D^0$ | $690\pm40\pm70$ | 256 | 101 | 100 |
| D^0D^+ | $520\pm80\pm70$ | 204 | 81 | 80 |
| $D^0D_S^+$ | $270\pm50\pm40$ | 72 | 29 | 28 |
| D^+D^+ | $80\pm10\pm10$ | 41 | 16 | 16 |
| $D^+D^+_S$ | $70 \pm 15 \pm 10$ | 29 | 12 | 11 |
| $D_s^+ D_s^+$ | — | 10 | 4 | 4 |

LHCb acceptance:

 $2 < y < 4, \ \ 3 \, \text{GeV} < \rho_\perp < 12 \, \text{GeV}$



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DPS k_t -factorization calculation vs LHCb



missing SPS contributions (extra gluon splitting)?



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DPS k_t -factorization calculation vs LHCb







D meson production

One and two pair production, uncertainties





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SPS production of cccc



W. Schäfer, A. Szczurek, arXiv:1203.4129(hep-ph), Phys. Rev. **D85** (2012) 094029.



SPS production of cccc



Figure: Subprocess: $gg \rightarrow (c\bar{c})(c\bar{c})$ production.



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Impact factors



Figure: Coupling of (t-channel) gluon to g, Q, \bar{Q}

9 diagrams for the $gg \rightarrow c\bar{c}c\bar{c}$ cross section.



gg collisions, momentum representation

The compact cross section formula:

$$d\sigma = \frac{N_c^2 - 1}{N_c^2} \frac{4\pi^2 a_s^2}{[\mathbf{q}^2 + \mu_G^2]^2} I(z, \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) I(u, \mathbf{l}, -\mathbf{q}) dz \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^2} du \frac{d^2 \mathbf{l}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2 \mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^2}.$$
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- 1) 8-dim integration
- 2) Impact factors are quite complicated.
- 3) First pair:

$$\boldsymbol{p}_{Q} = \boldsymbol{k} + z \boldsymbol{q}, \quad \boldsymbol{p}_{\bar{Q}} = -\boldsymbol{k} + (1-z) \boldsymbol{q},$$
 (3)

4) Second pair:

 $\boldsymbol{p}_{Q} = \boldsymbol{I} - u\boldsymbol{q}, \ \boldsymbol{p}_{\bar{Q}} = -\boldsymbol{I} - (1-u)\boldsymbol{q}.$



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pp ightarrow (Q ar Q) (Q ar Q) inclusive cross section

$$\sigma_{pp \to (Q\bar{Q})(Q\bar{Q})}(W) = \int dx_1 dx_2 \ g(x_1, \mu_F^2) \ g(x_2, \mu_F^2) \ \sigma_{gg \to (Q\bar{Q})(Q\bar{Q})}(\hat{s}^{1/2}) ,$$
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- $\sigma_{gg \to (Q\bar{Q})(Q\bar{Q})}(\hat{s}^{1/2})$ elementary cross section for $gg \to c\bar{c}c\bar{c}$. Calculated and stored.
- $g(x_1, \mu_F^2), g(x_2, \mu_F^2)$ collinear gluon distributions from the literature.
- The integral over $\xi_1 = log_{10}(x_1)$ and $\xi_2 = log_{10}(x_2)$ is performed next instead of x_1 and x_2 .
- $\hat{s} = x_1 x_2 W^2$.
- $\mu_F^2 = 4m_Q^2$ (or m_Q^2).

pp collisions, cc versus cccc



Only about 1 % at high energies



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pp collisions, cccc invariant mass distr.



At intermediate invariant masses SPS \ll DPS. At very large invariant masses SPS \gg DPS.



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Exact LO calculation of SPS cccc contribution

- Till recently only approximate (high-energy approx.) SPS contribution to $gg \rightarrow c\bar{c}c\bar{c}$
- Recently full calculation of leading-order 2 → 4 diagrams for SPS gg → cccc and qq → cccc (small)
- Automatic calculation with exact LO matrix elements and full phase space integration (van Hameren code, similar to HELAC)
- Generation of unweighted events and building quark/antiquark distributions
- Hadronization with fragmentation functions
- No K-factor (relatively small for bbbb)

van Hameren, Maciuła, Szczurek, work in preparation



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Exact SPS, quark level



Agreement of high-energy approx. and exact at large guark rapidities



dependence onf renormalization and factorization scale of SPS







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similar shape of SPS and DPS

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Exact SPS, quark level



weak dependence on the quark mass for SPS

Rapidity distance between two c quarks





Difference of high-energy approx. and exact at small rapidity distances



full and approximate aproaches coincide at large $M_{cc,s}$





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Exact SPS, quark level

Rapidity correlations for DPS and SPS



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colorfblue $D^0 D^0$ versus $D^0 \overline{D}^0$ correlations





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DPS contribution to inclusive D meson distributions

Let us consider for example transverse momentum distribution

$$\frac{d\sigma_{lnc}^{D_{i},DPS}}{dp_{t}} = P_{D_{i}}(1-P_{D_{i}})\frac{d\sigma^{D}}{dp_{1,t}}|_{p_{1,t}=p_{t}}(-2.1 < \eta_{1} < 2.1, -\infty < \eta_{2} < \infty)
+ P_{D_{i}}(1-P_{D_{i}})\frac{d\sigma^{D}}{dp_{2,t}}|_{p_{2,t}=p_{t}}(-\infty < \eta_{1} < \infty, -2.1 < \eta_{2} < 2.1)
+ P_{D_{i}}P_{D_{i}}\frac{d\sigma^{D}}{dp_{1,t}}|_{p_{1,t}=p_{t}}(-2.1 < \eta_{1} < 2.1, -\infty < \eta_{2} < \infty)
+ P_{D_{i}}P_{D_{i}}\frac{d\sigma^{D}}{dp_{2,t}}|_{p_{2,t}=p_{t}}(-\infty < \eta_{1} < \infty, -2.1 < \eta_{2} < 2.1).$$
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DPS contribution to inclusive D meson distributions



even slightly larger(!)



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Comments on two-gluon correlations

- So far $\sigma_{eff} = \text{const.}$
- In general $\sigma_{eff} = \sigma_{eff}(x_1, x_2, x'_1, x'_2, \mu_1^2, \mu_2^2).$
- Correlations were discussed: Flensburg, Gustafson, Lönnblad, Ster (Mueller dipole cascade model) Blok, Dokshitzer, Frankfurt, Strikman
- Mostly correlation in longitudinal momenta were studied.
- Do correlation between D⁰D⁰ mesons in azimuthal angle reflect correlations between initial two-gluons? Perhaps.
- Or we observe SPS -- DPS mixing ? Perhaps. Manohar, Waalewijn

Conclusions

- k_t-factorization as well as collinear NLO give slightly too small cross section compared to recent data on *D* meson production.
 Something missing ?
- Many small subleading contributions (single and double diffraction, exclusive cc, photon induced processes). Not sufficient!
- Huge contribution of double-parton scattering for $pp \rightarrow (c\bar{c})(c\bar{c})X$.

The best laboratory to study MPI.

- Especially large cross section for cc or cc with large rapidity distance between them.
- Especially large cross section for large p_{t,cc}.
- Idea: look at $D^0 D^0$ (or $\overline{D}^0 \overline{D}^0$) correlations (LHCb) ATLAS and CMS: at the edges of main detectors, ALICE: large $p_{t,DD}$



Conclusions

- Relatively small contribution of single-parton scattering for $pp \rightarrow (c\bar{c})(c\bar{c})X$.
- SPS \ll DPS at intermediate invariant masses of $c\bar{c}c\bar{c}$.
- SPS \gg DPS at extremely large invariant masses of $c\bar{c}c\bar{c}$.
- Enhancement of large rapidity-distance region of SPS by BFKL ladders.
- Result in k_t factorization for the same flavour charmed mesons almost consistent with recent LHCb data
- ATLAS, CMS and ALICE should join the studies.
- cccc production -- fantastic tool for studying gluon-gluon correlations, also in transverse momenta.
- A detailed comparison of DPS and SPS for nonphotonic electrons would be useful (CMS, ALICE?).
- More refined approaches needed (Diehl et al.).



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