

NNLL studies of transverse-momentum-dependent (TMD)
factorization for Z / γ^* production at hadron colliders

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Two studies

1. Nonperturbative contribution in TMD factorization.

(M. Guzzi, P. M. Nadolsky, and B. Wang. 2013. arXiv:1309.1393)

2. Application of TMD factorization in nuclear collisions (in backup slides).

(V. Guzey , M. Guzzi, P. M. Nadolsky, M. Strikman and B. Wang. 2012. arXiv:1212.5344)

Applications of TMD factorization

- Precision tests of TMD factorization for q_T dependent observables.
- Constraints on measurements of W boson mass and other electroweak observables.
- May be used to obtain better constraints on proton and nuclear PDFs.

Recent advancement in TMD factorization

Theory: many papers

Resummation programs

G. Ladinsky and C.-P. Yuan, 1994, arXiv: 9311341

C. Balazs and C.-P. Yuan, 1997, arXiv: 9704258

F. Landry, R. Brock, P.M. Nadolsky and C.-P. Yuan, 2003, arXiv: 0212159

NNLL/NNLO calculation:

S. Catani et al, 2012, arXiv: 1209.0158

Nonperturbative contribution:

A. Banfi et al, 2009,2011,2012

arXiv: 0909.5327
arXiv: 1102.3594
arXiv: 1110.4009
arXiv: 1205.4760

Experimental: very precise measurements of ϕ_η^* distribution by

D0, ATLAS. D0 Collaboration, V.M. Abazov et al, 2011, arXiv: 1010.0262
ATLAS Collaboration, G. Aad et al., 2011, arXiv: 1107.2381

Definition of ϕ_η^*

When q_T is small $\phi_\eta^* \sim q_T / Q$

ϕ_η^* is defined as

$$\phi_\eta^* = \tan(\phi_{acop} / 2) \sin \theta_\eta^*$$

where

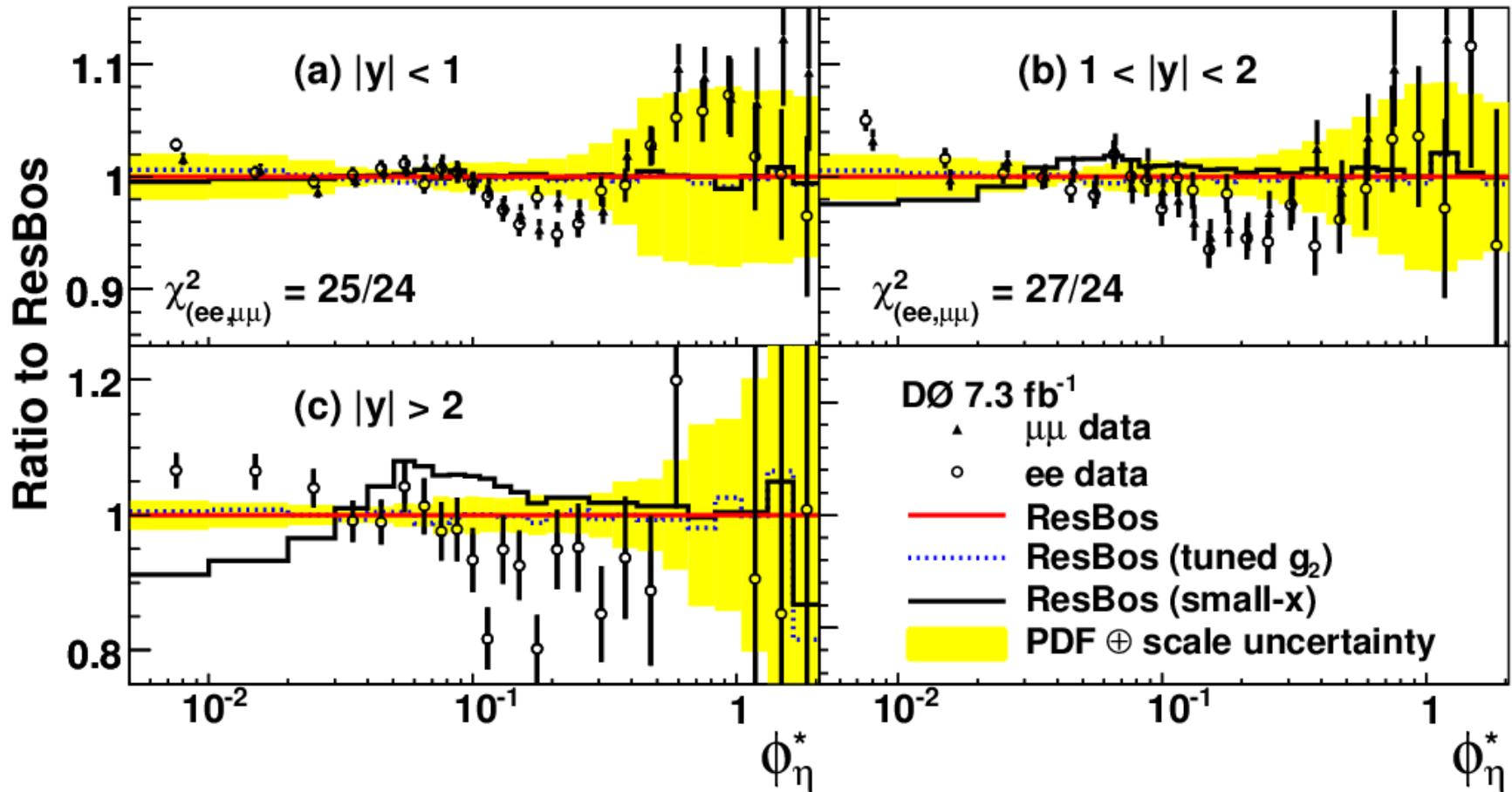
$$\phi_{acop} = \pi - \Delta\varphi$$

And

$$\cos \theta_\eta^* = \tanh\left(\frac{\eta_1 - \eta_2}{2}\right)$$

In the lab frame, $\Delta\varphi$ is the difference in azimuthal angle, φ , between the two lepton candidates. η_1 and η_2 are the pseudorapidities of the negatively and positively charged lepton, respectively.

ϕ_η^* distribution measured at the Tevatron



D0 Collaboration, V.M. Abazov et al, 2011, arXiv: 1010.0262

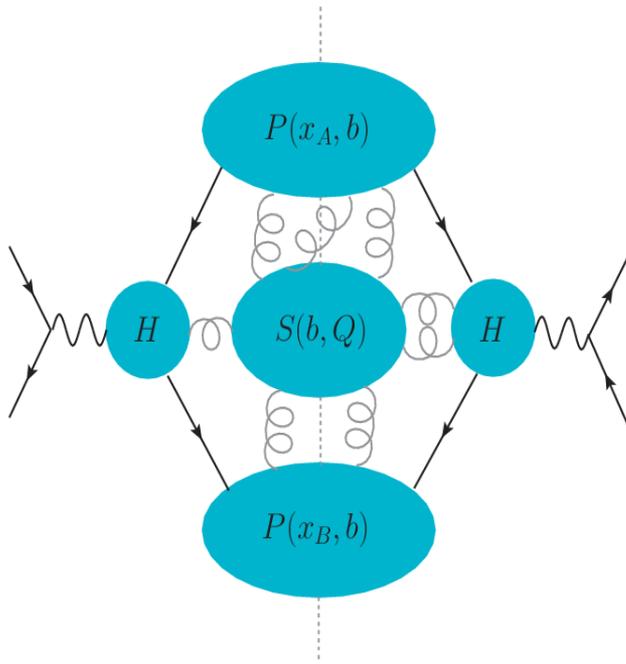
Error of lower bins in $|y| < 1$ inset is $\sim 0.5\%$

Small q_T factorization

At small q_T the resummed cross section can be written as

$$\frac{d\sigma_{AB}}{dQ^2 dy dQ_T^2} \approx \int \frac{d^2b}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\vec{q}_T \cdot \vec{b}} \tilde{W}_{AB}(b, Q, y)$$

where \vec{b} is the Fourier conjugate variable of, \vec{q}_T . \tilde{W}_{AB} can be factorized as

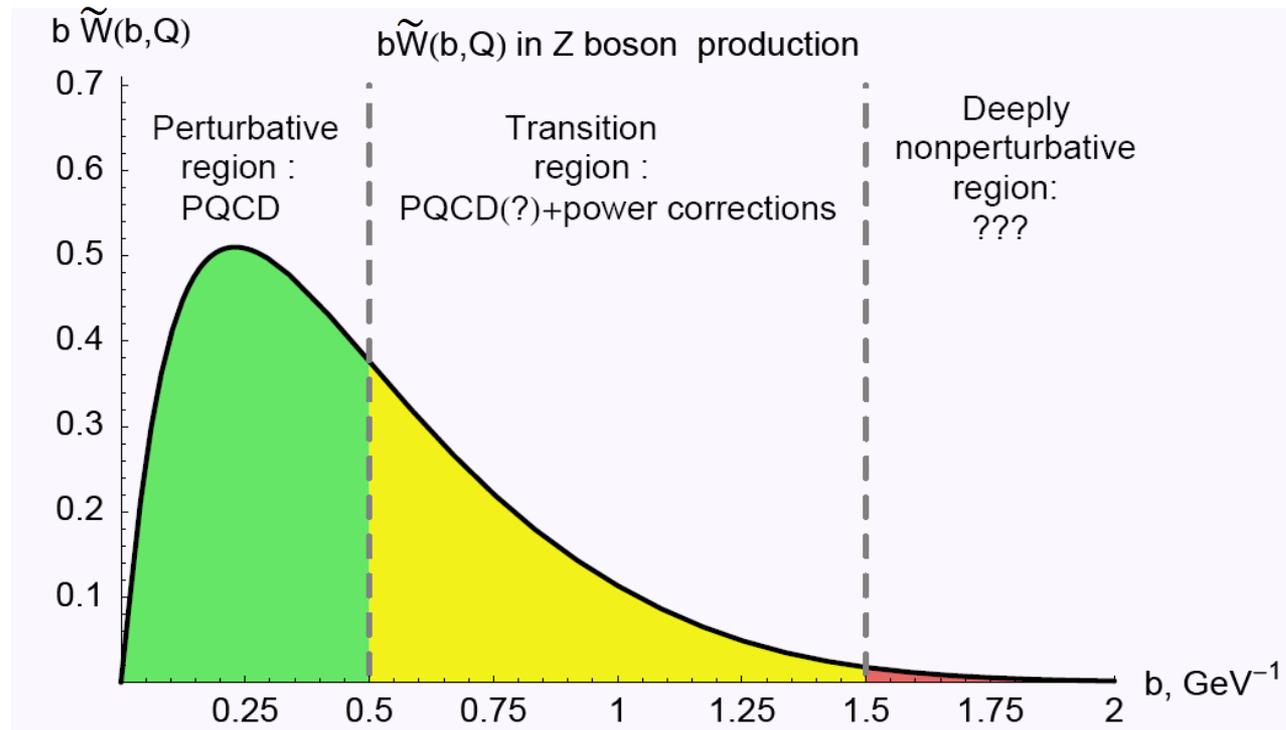


$$\tilde{W}_{AB}(b, Q, y) = \tilde{W}_{AB}(b, Q, y)$$

$$= \sum_j e^{-S(b, Q)} P_{j/B}(x_b, b) P_{j/A}(x_a, b) |H_{j, \vec{j}}|^2$$

Three regions of $b\tilde{W}(b,Q)$

$1/b$ sets the momentum scale of calculation. As $b \gtrsim 0.5\text{GeV}^{-1}$ the nonperturbative effect becomes important.



Solution for all b

Introduce a nonperturbative factor with “ b_* ” prescription

$$\tilde{W}(b, Q, y) = \tilde{W}^{pert}(b_*, Q, y) \tilde{W}^{NP}(b, Q, y)$$

$$b_* \equiv \frac{b}{\sqrt{1 + (b/b_{\max})^2}} \quad \begin{array}{l} b \ll b_{\max}, \quad b_* \approx b \\ b \gg b_{\max}, \quad b_* \approx b_{\max} \end{array}$$

Where b_{\max} is the parameter to “freeze” \tilde{W}^{pert} at $b \gg b_{\max}$. It is determined to be around 1.5 GeV^{-1} in previous studies.

Nonperturbative contribution

\tilde{W}^{NP} can not be computed perturbatively and is parameterized as

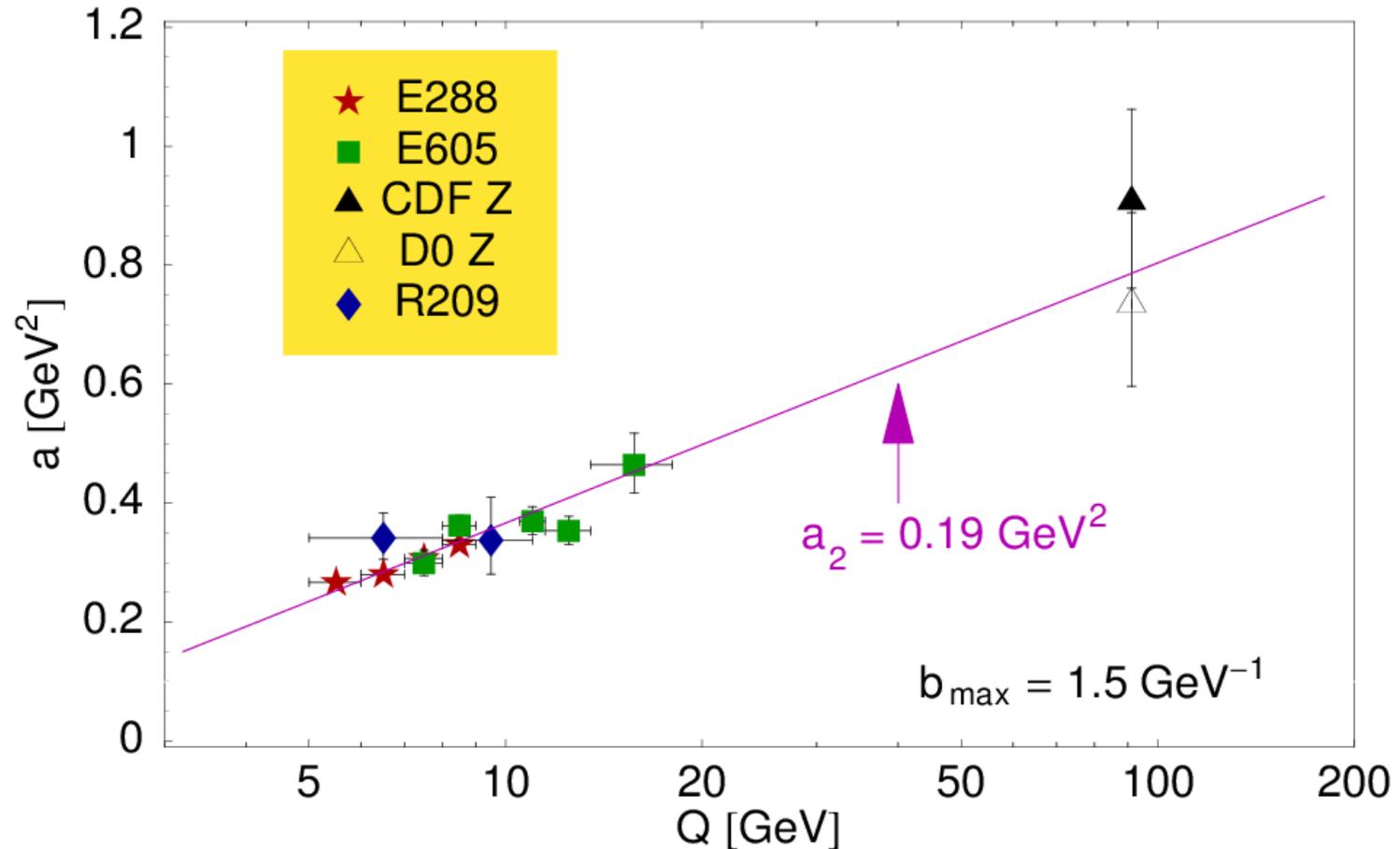
$$\tilde{W}^{NP}(b, Q) = \exp \left[-b^2 \left(a_1 + a_2 \ln \left(\frac{Q}{2 Q_0} \right) + a_3 \ln \left(\frac{x_1^{(0)} x_2^{(0)}}{0.01} \right) \right) \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} x_{1,2}^{(0)} = (Q/\sqrt{S})e^{\pm y} \\ Q_0 = 1.6 \text{ GeV} \end{array}$$

In the vicinity of Q around M_Z , \tilde{W}^{NP} reduces to

$$\tilde{W}^{NP}(b, Q \approx M_Z) = \exp [-b^2 a_Z]$$

with
$$a_Z = a_1 + a_2 \ln \left(\frac{M_Z}{2 Q_0} \right) + a_3 \ln \left(\frac{M_Z^2}{0.01 s} \right)$$

$a(Q)$ fits to various experiments

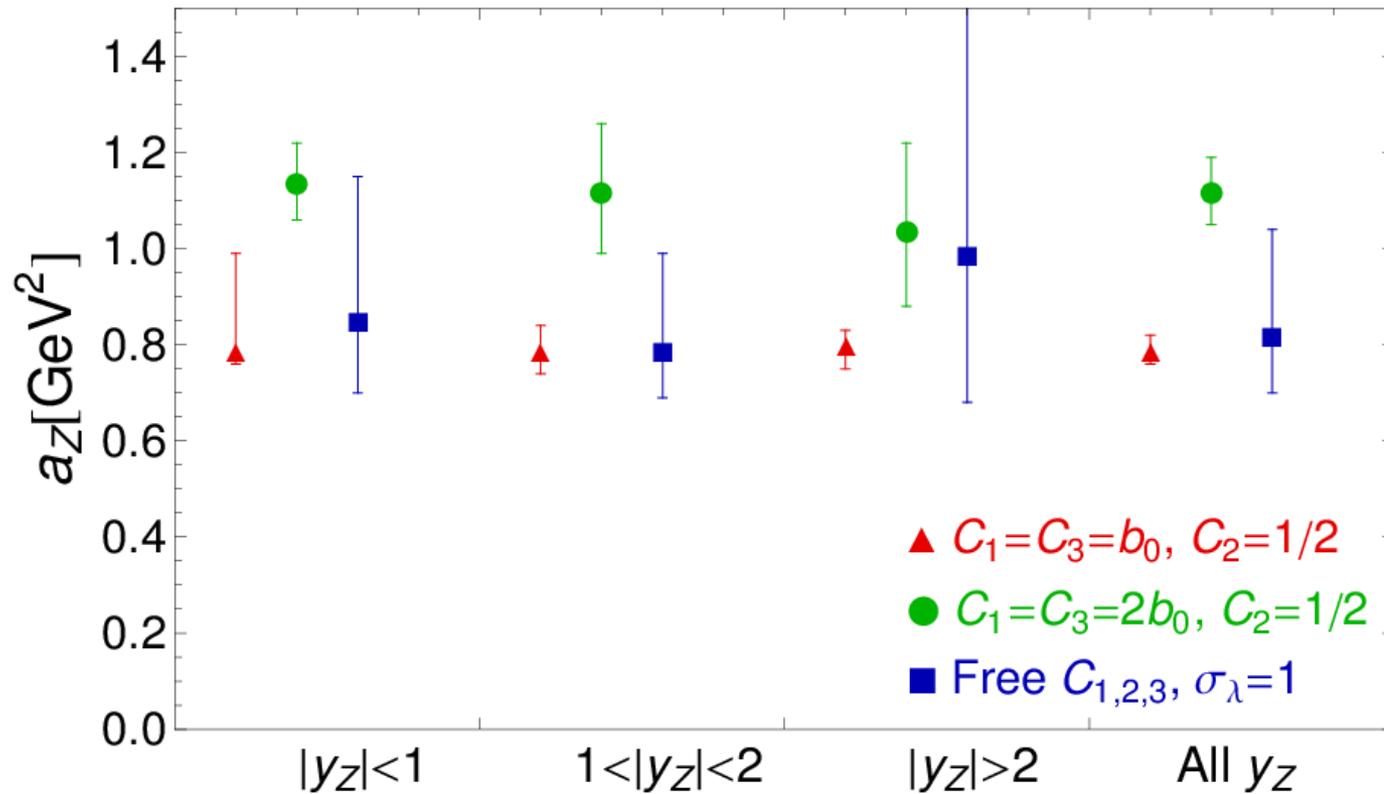


A. V. Konychev and P. M. Nadolsky, 2005, arXiv: 0507179

Is it necessary to use a non-zero a_Z ?

- The evidence for nonperturbative smearing is inconclusive at the NLL(α_s) +NLO(α_{EW}) level because of a large scale dependence. (A. Banfi et al, 2009,2011,2012)
- Small experimental errors of ϕ_η^* measurements and approximate NNLO QCD (α_s^2) calculation allow us to make more precise comparisons.
- Theory uncertainties due to perturbative and nonperturbative parameters (a_Z from \tilde{W}^{NP} and $C_1 = b\mu_b$, $C_2 = \mu_Q/Q$, $C_3 = b\mu_F$ from \tilde{W}^{pert}) are determined by fitting to ϕ_η^* data.

a_Z fits to ϕ_η^* data



M. Guzzi, P. M. Nadolsky and B. Wang, 2013, arXiv: 1309.1393

$$a_Z = 0.82^{+0.22}_{-0.11} \text{ GeV}^2 \text{ (free } C_{1,2,3}, 68\% \text{ C.L.)}$$

Conclusion

- TMD factorization is a valuable tool for investigations at low transverse momentum regions.
- We have performed approximate NNLO calculation of p_T distribution in Z/γ^* production and fit our result to D0 ϕ_η^* data. The value of nonperturbative parameter is determined to be $a_Z = 0.82^{+0.22}_{-0.11} \text{ GeV}^2$, 68% *C.L.* with a significant distinction from zero.

Backup slides

Implication for W mass

In terms of a_Z obtained by fitting the D0 data, the nonperturbative parameter for general Q and \sqrt{s} can be written as

$$a(Q, \sqrt{s}) = a_Z(1.96 \text{ TeV}) + a_2 \ln \left(\frac{Q}{M_Z} \right) + a_3 \ln \left(\frac{Q^2}{M_Z^2} \frac{s}{(1.96 \text{ TeV})^2} \right)$$

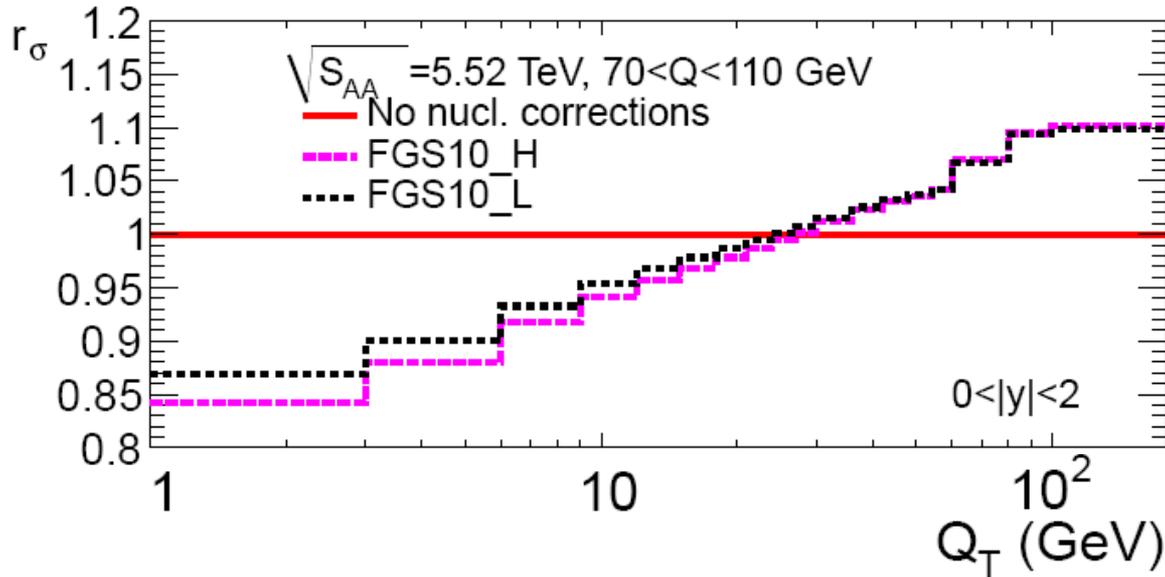
If we consider W production

$$a_W = a_Z + a_2 \ln \left(\frac{M_W}{M_Z} \right) + a_3 \ln \left(\frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \right)$$

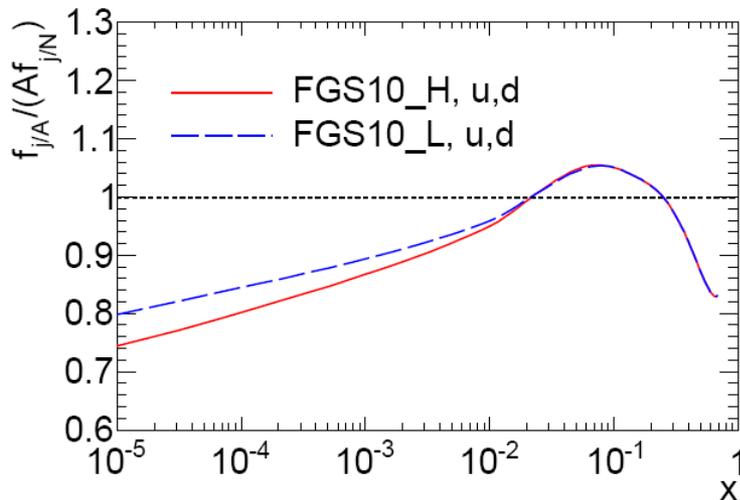
The log terms are small, so it's safe to assume $a_W \approx a_Z$

Therefore our fit of a_Z can be used to reduce uncertainty in W mass measurement.

Application in nuclear collisions



Both figures taken from
 V. Guzey, M. Guzzi,
 P. M. Nadolsky, M. Strikman
 and B. Wang (2012)



Correspondence can be found by
 reading the ratio of PDFs at the
 typical momentum
 fractions

$$\xi_1 \approx \frac{M_T + Q_T}{\sqrt{S}} e^y, \text{ and } \xi_2 \approx \frac{M_T + Q_T}{\sqrt{S}} e^{-y}$$