gg->Higgs from the TMD perspective

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Higgs production in gluon fusion

Higgs production in gg \rightarrow H happens via a top quark loop:



The inclusive Higgs production cross section at LHC can be described well because the collinear gluon distribution inside protons is known well

It becomes a different matter for the transverse momentum distribution At large Q_T one can again use collinear factorization, but at small Q_T there are large logs of Q_T/Q (resummation) & nonperturbative contributions

Here: TMD perspective (TMD factorized expressions and TMD evolution) (gauge links and process dependence will be discussed by Piet Mulders)

TMD factorization expressions

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This is a naive expression, since gluons can be polarized inside unpolarized protons [Mulders, Rodrigues '01]

$$\begin{split} \Phi_{g}^{\mu\nu}(x, \boldsymbol{p}_{T}) &= \frac{n_{\rho} n_{\sigma}}{(p \cdot n)^{2}} \int \frac{d(\xi \cdot P) d^{2}\xi_{T}}{(2\pi)^{3}} e^{ip \cdot \xi} \left\langle P | \operatorname{Tr} \left[F^{\mu\rho}(0) F^{\nu\sigma}(\xi) \right] | P \right\rangle \right]_{\mathrm{LF}} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2x} \left\{ g_{T}^{\mu\nu} f_{1}^{g} - \left(\frac{p_{T}^{\mu} p_{T}^{\nu}}{M^{2}} + g_{T}^{\mu\nu} \frac{\boldsymbol{p}_{T}^{2}}{2M^{2}} \right) h_{1}^{\perp g} \right\} \end{split}$$

Second term requires nonzero k_T , but is k_T even, chiral even and T even

$$\tilde{\Phi}_{g}^{ij}(x, \boldsymbol{b}) = \frac{1}{2x} \left\{ \delta^{ij} \, \tilde{f}_{1}^{g}(x, b^{2}) - \left(\frac{2b^{i}b^{j}}{b^{2}} - \delta^{ij}\right) \, \tilde{h}_{1}^{\perp \, g}(x, b^{2}) \right\}$$

Gluon polarization inside unpolarized protons



It means that gluons prefers to be polarized along $k_{T,}$ with a $\cos 2\phi$ distribution of linear polarization around it, where $\phi = \angle (k_{T}, \varepsilon_{T})$

Gluon polarization inside unpolarized protons

Linearly polarized gluons are generated perturbatively [Nadolsky, Balazs, Berger, Yuan, '07; Catani, Grazzini, '10]



Figure 4: Comparison of $[P_{g/g} \otimes f_{g/p}](x,\mu_F)$ and $[P'_{g/g} \otimes f_{g/p}](x,\mu_F)$ for the gluon PDF $f_{g/p}(x,\mu_F)$ in the proton (multiplied by $x^{1.5}$ to better illustrate the small-x region) at several values of the factorization scale μ_F .

A nonperturbative distribution $(h_1^{\perp g})$ can be present too [Mulders, Rodrigues '01]

$$h_1^{\perp g}$$
 in $p \ p \to H \ X$

It affects the transverse momentum distribution in $pp \rightarrow HX$ (Higgs production)

Linearly polarized gluons enter Higgs production ($\sigma(Q_T)$) at NNLO pQCD [Catani & Grazzini, '10]

The nonperturbative distribution can be present at tree level and would affect Higgs production at low Q_{T}

[DB, Den Dunnen, Pisano, Schlegel, Vogelsang, '12]



Tree level expression

$$\frac{E \, d\sigma^{pp \to HX}}{d^3 \vec{q}} \Big|_{q_T \ll m_H} = \frac{\pi \sqrt{2} G_F}{128 m_H^2 s} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^2 \left|\mathcal{A}_H(\tau)\right|^2 \\ \times \left(\mathcal{C}\left[f_1^g \, f_1^g\right] + \mathcal{C}\left[w_H \, h_1^{\perp g} \, h_1^{\perp g}\right]\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{q_T}{m_H}\right)$$

The gluon TMDs enter in convolutions:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}[wff] &\equiv \int d^2 p_T \int d^2 k_T \, \delta^2 (p_T + k_T - q_T) \, w(p_T, k_T) \, f(x_A, p_T^2) \, f(x_B, k_T^2) \\ w_H &= \frac{(p_T \cdot k_T)^2 - \frac{1}{2} p_T^2 k_T^2}{2M^4} \qquad \tau = m_H^2 / (4m_t^2) \end{aligned}$$

The relative effect of linearly polarized gluons:

$$\mathcal{R}(Q_T) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{C}[w_H h_1^{\perp g} h_1^{\perp g}]}{\mathcal{C}[f_1^g f_1^g]}$$

Angular independent cross section is of the form:



Here a model function for $h_1^{\perp g}$ is used that is close to its bound for larger q_T

On-shell Higgs production



In reality the Higgs boson decays

There will be background processes to deal with, which may dilute the modulation

Linearly polarized gluons also enter in the process $gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ without Higgs [Nadolsky, Balazs, Berger, Yuan, '07; ,Qiu, Schlegel, Vogelsang '10]

 $gg \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ $\int d\phi \frac{d\sigma}{d^4 q d\Omega} \propto \left| 1 + \frac{F_2}{F_1} R(q_T) \right|$



Discernable only in a narrow region around the Higgs mass (here: m_H =120 GeV) [DB, Den Dunnen, Pisano, Schlegel, Vogelsang, '12]

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What do we know about the polarization?

At small x the WW (or CGC) gluon field and the dipole distribution have been studied:

 $h_{1,WW}^{\perp g} \ll f_{1,WW}^{\perp g} \quad \text{for } k_{\perp} \ll Q_s, \qquad h_{1,WW}^{\perp g} = 2f_{1,WW}^{\perp g} \quad \text{for } k_{\perp} \gg Q_s$ $xh_{1,DP}^{\perp g}(x,k_{\perp}) = 2xf_{1,DP}^g(x,k_{\perp})$

Metz, Zhou '11

At small x the kT factorization approach yields maximum polarization too:

$$\Phi_g^{\mu
u}(x, p_T)_{
m max\ pol} = rac{2}{x} \, rac{p_T^\mu p_T^
u}{p_T^2} \, f_1^g$$
 Catani, Ciafaloni, Hautmann, 1991

One can also consider the perturbative tail, which is calculable

$$\tilde{f}_{g/P}(x,b^2;\mu,\zeta) = \sum_{i=g,q} \int_x^1 \frac{d\hat{x}}{\hat{x}} C_{i/g}(x/\hat{x},b^2;g(\mu),\mu,\zeta) f_{i/P}(\hat{x};\mu) + \mathcal{O}((\Lambda_{\rm QCD}b)^a)$$

There is no theoretical reason why it should be small, especially at small x

$$\mathcal{R}(Q_T) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{C}[w_H h_1^{\perp g} h_1^{\perp g}]}{\mathcal{C}[f_1^g f_1^g]}$$

$$\mathcal{C}\left[f_{1}^{g} f_{1}^{g}\right] = \int \frac{d^{2}\boldsymbol{b}}{(2\pi)^{2}} e^{i\boldsymbol{b}\cdot\boldsymbol{q}_{T}} \tilde{f}_{1}^{g}(x_{A}, b^{2}; \zeta_{A}, \mu) \tilde{f}_{1}^{g}(x_{B}, b^{2}; \zeta_{B}, \mu)$$

$$= \int \frac{d^{2}\boldsymbol{b}}{(2\pi)^{2}} e^{i\boldsymbol{b}\cdot\boldsymbol{q}_{T}} e^{-S_{A}(b,Q)} \tilde{f}_{1}^{g}(x_{A}, b^{2}; \mu_{b}^{2}, \mu_{b}) \tilde{f}_{1}^{g}(x_{B}, b^{2}; \mu_{b}^{2}, \mu_{b})$$

$$S_A(b,Q) = \frac{C_A}{\pi} \int_{\mu_b^2}^{Q^2} \frac{d\mu^2}{\mu^2} \alpha_s(\mu) \left[\ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}\right) - \frac{11 - 2n_f/C_A}{6} \right] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$$

$$S_{A}(b,Q) = -\frac{36}{33 - 2n_{f}} \left[\ln\left(\frac{Q^{2}}{\mu_{b}^{2}}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{Q^{2}}{\Lambda^{2}}\right) \ln\left(1 - \frac{\ln\left(Q^{2}/\mu_{b}^{2}\right)}{\ln\left(Q^{2}/\Lambda^{2}\right)}\right) + \frac{11 - 2n_{f}/C_{A}}{6} \ln\left(\frac{\ln\left(Q^{2}/\Lambda^{2}\right)}{\ln\left(\mu_{b}^{2}/\Lambda^{2}\right)}\right) \right]$$

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The integral is over all b, including nonperturbatively large b

$$\tilde{W}(b) \equiv \tilde{W}(b_*) e^{-S_{NP}(b)}$$

$$b_* = b/\sqrt{1 + b^2/b_{\max}^2} \le b_{\max}$$

$$b_{\rm max} = 1.5 \ {\rm GeV}^{-1} \Rightarrow \alpha_s(b_0/b_{\rm max}) = 0.62$$

Modified Aybat-Rogers SNP

$$S_{NP}(b,Q,Q_0) = \frac{C_A}{C_F} \left[0.184 \ln \frac{Q}{2Q_0} + 0.332 \right] b^2$$

$$\mathcal{R}(Q_T) = \frac{\int d^2 \boldsymbol{b} \, e^{i\boldsymbol{b}\cdot\boldsymbol{q}_T} e^{-S_A(b_*,Q) - S_{NP}(b,Q)} \, \tilde{h}_1^{\perp g}(x_A, b_*^2; \mu_{b_*}^2, \mu_{b_*}) \, \tilde{h}_1^{\perp g}(x_B, b_*^2; \mu_{b_*}^2, \mu_{b_*})}{\int d^2 \boldsymbol{b} \, e^{i\boldsymbol{b}\cdot\boldsymbol{q}_T} \, e^{-S_A(b_*,Q) - S_{NP}(b,Q)} \tilde{f}_1^g(x_A, b_*^2; \mu_{b_*}^2, \mu_{b_*}) \, \tilde{f}_1^g(x_B, b_*^2; \mu_{b_*}^2, \mu_{b_*})}$$

$$\begin{split} \tilde{h}_{1}^{\perp g}(x, b^{2}) &= \int d^{2} \boldsymbol{p}_{T} \; \frac{(\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \boldsymbol{p}_{T})^{2} - \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{b}^{2} \boldsymbol{p}_{T}^{2}}{b^{2} M^{2}} \; e^{-i \boldsymbol{b} \cdot \boldsymbol{p}_{T}} \; h_{1}^{\perp g}(x, p_{T}^{2}) \\ &= -\pi \int dp_{T}^{2} \frac{p_{T}^{2}}{2M^{2}} J_{2}(bp_{T}) h_{1}^{\perp g}(x, p_{T}^{2}) \end{split}$$

Consider now only the perturbative tail:

$$\tilde{f}_{1}^{g}(x,b^{2};\mu_{b}^{2},\mu_{b}) = f_{g/P}(x;\mu_{b}) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_{s})$$
$$\tilde{h}_{1}^{\perp g}(x,b^{2};\mu_{b}^{2},\mu_{b}) = \frac{\alpha_{s}(\mu_{b})C_{A}}{2\pi} \int_{x}^{1} \frac{d\hat{x}}{\hat{x}} \left(\frac{\hat{x}}{x} - 1\right) f_{g/P}(\hat{x};\mu_{b}) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_{s}^{2})$$

This coincides with the CSS approach

TMD evolution effects



 $x_A = x_B = Q/(8 \text{TeV})$

MSTW08 LO gluon distribution

D.B. & den Dunnen, 1404.6753

Improved resummation prediction on Higgs boson production at hadron colliders

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FIG. 3. The ratios between the transverse momentum distributions with and without G functions at the Tevatron (1.96 TeV) and the LHC (7, 8, and 14 TeV). The oscillations of the ratio curves in the figure are due to numerical uncertainties.

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$$\frac{G^{(1)}G^{(1)}\alpha_s^2 + 2G^{(1)}G^{(2)}\alpha_s^3}{C^{(0)}C^{(0)} + 2C^{(0)}C^{(1)}\alpha_s + (C^{(1)}C^{(1)} + 2C^{(0)}C^{(2)})\alpha_s^2} \approx \frac{G^{(1)}G^{(1)}\alpha_s^2}{C^{(0)}C^{(0)}} \left(1 + \frac{2G^{(1)}G^{(2)}}{G^{(1)}G^{(1)}}\alpha_s + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)\right) \left(1 - \frac{2C^{(0)}C^{(1)}}{C^{(0)}C^{(0)}}\alpha_s + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)\right)$$

They include third factor, but not second

No reason why not of same size, but not expected to be large effect on end result Can reduce the suppression somewhat

Wang et al. use also different $S_{\mbox{\scriptsize NP}}$

At low Q there is quite some uncertainty from the very small b region (b << 1/Q) where the perturbative expressions for S_A are all incorrect (don't satisfy S(0)=0)



Standard regularization:

$$Q^2/\mu_b^2 = b^2 Q^2/b_0^2 \to Q^2/\mu_b'^2 \equiv (bQ/b_0 + 1)^2$$

Parisi, Petronzio, 1985

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$$\frac{d\sigma}{dq_T^2} = Y(q_T^2) + \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{b}}{4\pi} e^{-i\mathbf{q}_T \cdot \mathbf{b}} \sigma_0(1+A) \exp S(b) \qquad A_T^2 = A_T^2(y) = \frac{(S+Q^2)^2}{4S\cosh^2 y} - Q^2.$$

where

$$S(b) = \int_{0}^{A_{T}^{2}} \frac{dk^{2}}{k^{2}} (J_{0}(bk) - 1) \left(B \ln \frac{Q^{2}}{k^{2}} + C \right).$$

 $\exp S = \exp \int_{0}^{A_T^2} \approx \left(1 + \int_{Q^2}^{A_T^2}\right) \exp \int_{0}^{Q^2}$

Altarelli, Ellis, Martinelli, 1985

Does satisfy S(0)=0

Not yet 100% clear what is the exact expression to take in CS/TMD factorization (2011)

Gaussian+tail model

In the TMD factorized expression there may be nonperturbative contributions from small $p_{\rm T}$ which mainly affect large b

The perturbative tail holds for small b which is dominated by large p_T , but there is an intermediate region

CSS only allows NP contribution via S_{NP} and does not allow all possibilities of the TMD approach

To illustrate this we consider a model which is approximately Gaussian at low p_T and has the correct tail at high p_T or small b:

$$f_1^g(x, p_T^2) = f_1^g(x) \frac{R^2}{2\pi} \frac{1}{1 + p_T^2 R^2} \qquad \qquad R = 2 \,\text{GeV}^{-1}$$

$$h_1^{\perp g}(x, p_T^2) = cf_1^g(x)\frac{M^2R_h^4}{2\pi}\frac{1}{(1+p_T^2R_h^2)^2}$$

To satisfy Soffer-like bound:

$$R_h^2 = 3R^2/2 \qquad c = 2$$

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Comparison

