## QCD factorizations in

$$\gamma^* \ \gamma^* \to \rho_L^0 \rho_L^0$$

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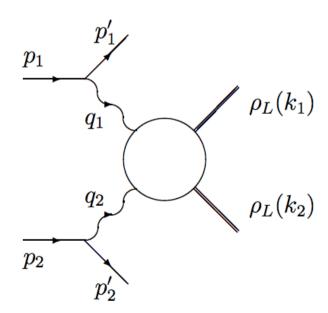
#### Introduction

The exclusive reaction of  $\rho$  mesons electroproduction in  $\gamma^*\gamma^*$  collisions is a beautiful laboratory to study different dynamics and factorization properties in HE QCD.

It seems to be a promising probe of the BFKL effects which could be studied in the next generation of  $e^+e^-$  colliders (ILC) and at lower energy of other kind of QCD factorizations involving GDA and TDA, which could be observed at Babar or Belle.

We consider the following process:

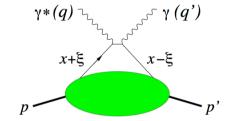
$$e^+e^- \to e^+e^-\rho_L\rho_L$$



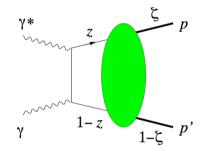
## First part: Motivation and origins

• DIS: inclusive process t = 0 Structure function = perturbative CF \* PDF

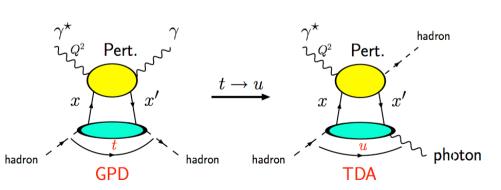
• DVCS : **exclusive** process at small t Amplitude = perturbative CF \* GPD

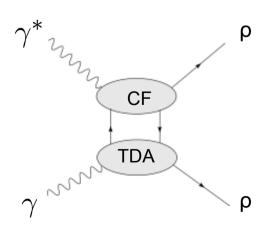


Crossed process, small cm energy Amplitude = perturbative CF \* GDA



Generalization of DVCS,small t
 Amplitude = perturbative CF \* TDA



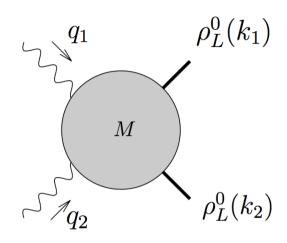


## outline

$$\gamma^*(Q_1)\gamma^*(Q_2) \to \rho_L^0(k_1)\rho_L^0(k_2)$$

Exclusive reaction at Born order quark exchange contribution

Q1, Q2 hard scales



Direct calculation and factorization with two ρ DAs longitudinal mesons
 leading twist

Brodsky-Lepage (1981)

- Factorization with ho
  ho GDA for transverse  $\gamma^*$
- Factorization with  $\gamma^* 
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  ho$  TDA for longitudinal  $\gamma^*$

## Analytic expressions in collinear factorization

The virtualities Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> of the photons supply the hard scale

Collinear approximation → we neglect transverse relative quark momenta in the rho mesons

and in the forward kinematics

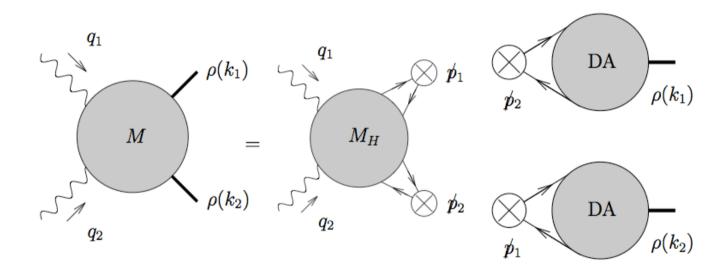
$$\ell_1 \sim z_1 k_1, \qquad \qquad \ell_2 \sim z_2 k_2$$
 $\tilde{\ell}_1 \sim \bar{z}_1 k_1, \qquad \qquad \tilde{\ell}_2 \sim \bar{z}_2 k_2$ 

We use the matrix element of the non local correlator of guarks fields on the light cone to define the DA of the meson as

$$\begin{split} \langle \rho_L^0(k) | \bar{q}(x) \gamma^\mu q(0) | 0 \rangle &= \frac{f_\rho}{\sqrt{2}} \; k^\mu \; \int\limits_0^1 \, dz \, e^{iz(kx)} \phi(z) \\ \text{with} \quad \phi(z) &= 6z(1-z) \, (1+\sum_{n=1}^\infty a_{2\,n} C_{2\,n}^{3/2}(2z-1)) \end{split}$$

with 
$$\phi(z) = 6z(1-z)\left(1+\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}a_{2\,n}C_{2\,n}^{3/2}(2z-1)\right)$$

## Amplitude of the process in the collinear factorization with DA



The scattering amplitude reads

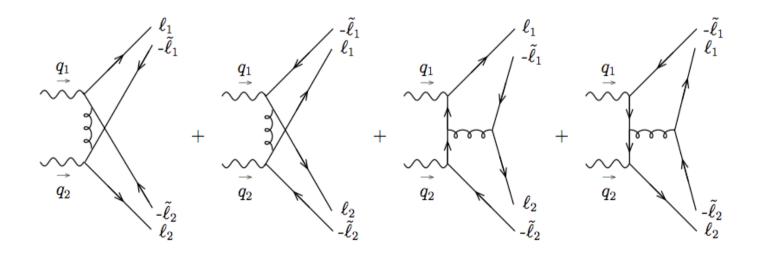
$$\mathcal{A} = T^{\mu\nu} \epsilon_{\mu}(q_1) \epsilon_{\nu}(q_2)$$

## longitudinally polarized photons

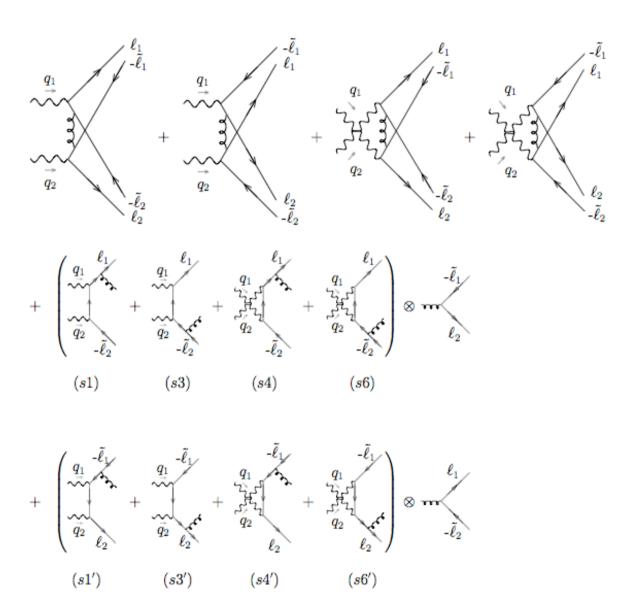
Their polarization vectors read

$$\epsilon_{\parallel}(q_1) = \frac{1}{Q_1}q_1 + \frac{2Q_1}{s}p_2$$
 and  $\epsilon_{\parallel}(q_2) = \frac{1}{Q_2}q_2 + \frac{2Q_2}{s}p_1$ 

The electromagnetic gauge invariance and the forward kinematics reduce the number of diagrams.



## transversally polarized photons



## Analytic expressions in collinear approximation

#### Transverse photons

$$T^{lpha\,eta}g_{T\,lpha\,eta} = -rac{e^2(Q_u^2 + Q_d^2)\,g^2\,C_F\,f_
ho^2}{4\,N_c\,s}\int\limits_0^1\,dz_1\,dz_2\,\phi(z_1)\,\phi(z_2)$$

$$\left\{2\left(1-\frac{Q_2^2}{s}\right)\left(1-\frac{Q_1^2}{s}\right)\left[\frac{1}{(z_2+\bar{z}_2\frac{Q_1^2}{s})^2(z_1+\bar{z}_1\frac{Q_2^2}{s})^2}+\frac{1}{(\bar{z}_2+z_2\frac{Q_1^2}{s})^2(\bar{z}_1+z_1\frac{Q_2^2}{s})^2}\right] + \right]$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}_2\,z_1} - \frac{1}{\bar{z}_1\,z_2}\right) \left[\frac{1}{1 - \frac{Q_2^2}{s}} \left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}_2 + \frac{z_2Q_1^2}{s}} - \frac{1}{z_2 + \frac{\bar{z}_2Q_1^2}{s}}\right) - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{Q_1^2}{s}} \left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}_1 + \frac{z_1Q_2^2}{s}} - \frac{1}{z_1 + \frac{\bar{z}_1Q_2^2}{s}}\right)\right]\right\}$$

Non-zero values of Q1 and Q2

no end-point singularities

Behaviour of the rho DAs

## Analytic expressions in collinear approximation

#### Longitudinal photons

$$T^{lpha\,eta}p_{2\,lpha}\,p_{1\,eta} = -rac{s^2f_
ho^2C_Fe^2g^2(Q_u^2+Q_d^2)}{8N_cQ_1^2Q_2^2}\int\limits_0^1\,dz_1\,dz_2\,\phi(z_1)\,\phi(z_2)$$

$$\times \left\{ \frac{(1 - \frac{Q_1^2}{s})(1 - \frac{Q_2^2}{s})}{(z_1 + \bar{z}_1 \frac{Q_2^2}{s})(z_2 + \bar{z}_2 \frac{Q_1^2}{s})} + \frac{(1 - \frac{Q_1^2}{s})(1 - \frac{Q_2^2}{s})}{(\bar{z}_1 + z_1 \frac{Q_2^2}{s})(\bar{z}_2 + z_2 \frac{Q_1^2}{s})} + \frac{1}{z_2 \bar{z}_1} + \frac{1}{z_1 \bar{z}_2} \right\}$$

Non-zero values of Q1 and Q2

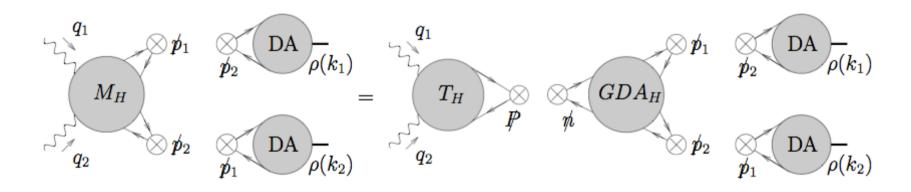
no end-point singularities

Behaviour of the rho DAs

# Factorization of the amplitude in terms of a GDA in the generalized Bjorken limit for transverse photons

In the kinematical region where the scattering energy is smaller than the highest photon virtuality

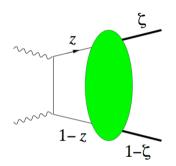
$$\frac{W^2}{Q_1^2} = \frac{s}{Q_1^2} \left( 1 - \frac{Q_1^2}{s} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{Q_2^2}{s} \right) \approx 1 - \frac{Q_1^2}{s} \ll 1$$



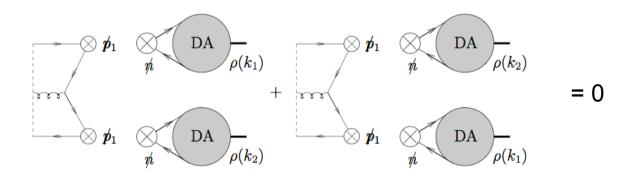
Definition of the leading twist GDA calculated in the Born order of the perturbation theory

$$\langle \rho_L^0(k_1) \, \rho_L^0(k_2) | \bar{q}(-\alpha \, n/2) \, \hat{n} \, \exp \left( ig \int_{-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} dy \, n_{\nu} \, A^{\nu}(y) \right) \, q(\alpha \, n/2) | 0 \rangle$$

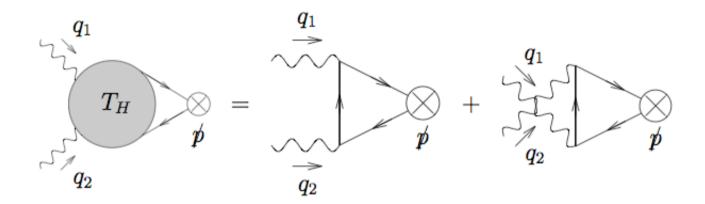
$$= \int_{0}^{1} dz \, e^{-i(2z-1)\alpha(nP)/2} \Phi^{\rho_L \rho_L}(z, \zeta, W^2)$$



The QCD Wilson line vanishes



### Expansion of the Hard Part at Born order



For a one flavored quarks, it equals

$$T_H(z) = -4 e^2 N_c Q_q^2 \left( \frac{1}{\bar{z} + z \frac{Q_2^2}{s}} - \frac{1}{z + \bar{z} \frac{Q_2^2}{s}} \right)$$

# Summary of the factorization with GDA for transverse virtual photons

factorization of  $\,T^{\alpha\,\beta}g_{T\,\alpha\,\beta}$  into the Hard Part and the GDA

$$T^{\alpha\beta}g_{T\alpha\beta} = \frac{e^2}{2} \left( Q_u^2 + Q_d^2 \right) \int_0^1 dz \, \left( \frac{1}{\bar{z} + z \frac{Q_2^2}{s}} - \frac{1}{z + \bar{z} \frac{Q_2^2}{s}} \right) \Phi^{\rho_L \rho_L}(z, \zeta \approx 1, W^2)$$

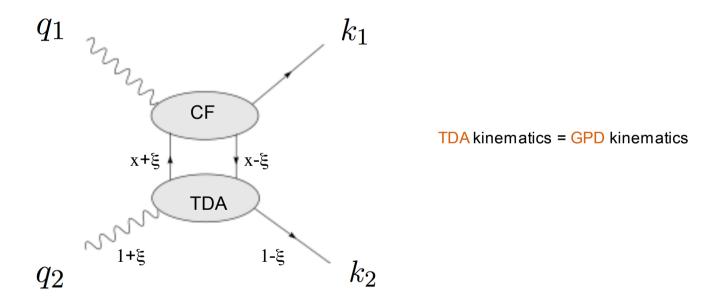
with 
$$\Phi^{\rho_L \rho_L}(z,\zeta \approx 1,W^2) = -\frac{f_{\rho}^2 \, g^2 \, C_F}{2 \, N_c \, W^2} \int\limits_0^1 \, dz_2 \, \phi(z) \, \phi(z_2) \left[ \frac{1}{z \, \overline{z}_2} - \frac{1}{\overline{z} z_2} \right]$$

Limiting case of the original equation by D.Müller et al (1994)

Extension of the studies of  $\gamma^*\gamma \to \pi\pi$  by M.Diehl et al (2000) for virtual photons at  $t=t_{min}$ 

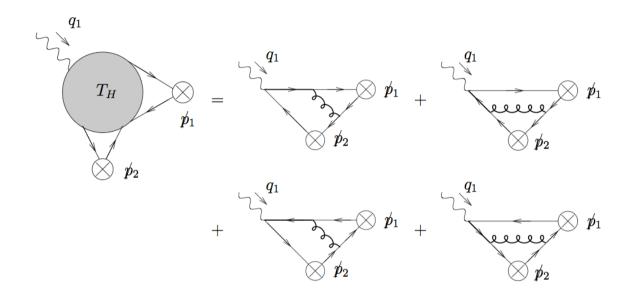
# Factorization of the amplitude in terms of a TDA for longitudinal virtual photons

- Kinematical regime  $Q_1^2 >> Q_2^2$  ,  $t=t_{min}$  second factorization
- Amplitude = convolution of Hard Part and TDA



## Proof of the factorization in terms of a TDA

## Hard Part



$$T_{H}(z_{1},x) = -i f_{\rho} g^{2} e Q_{q} \frac{C_{F} \phi(z_{1})}{2 N_{c} Q_{1}^{2}} \epsilon^{\mu}(q_{1}) \left(2\xi n_{2\mu} + \frac{1}{1+\xi} n_{1\mu}\right) \times \left[\frac{1}{z_{1}(x+\xi-i\epsilon)} + \frac{1}{\bar{z}_{1}(x-\xi+i\epsilon)}\right]$$

### Proof of the factorization in terms of a TDA

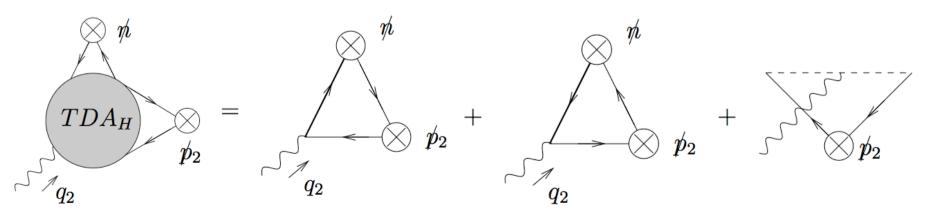
definition of the TDA

$$\int \frac{dz^{-}}{2\pi} e^{ix(P,z)} \langle \rho_{L}^{q}(k_{2}) | \bar{q}(-z/2) \hat{n} e^{-ieQ_{q} \int_{z/2}^{-z/2} dy_{\mu} A^{\mu}(y)} q(z/2) | \gamma^{*}(q_{2}) \rangle$$

$$= \frac{e Q_{q} f_{\rho}}{P^{+}} \frac{2}{Q_{2}^{2}} \epsilon_{\nu}(q_{2}) \left( (1+\xi)n_{2}^{\nu} + \frac{Q_{2}^{2}}{s(1+\xi)} n_{1}^{\nu} \right) T(x, \xi, t_{min})$$

with 
$$T(x, \xi, t_{min}) \equiv N_c \left[ \Theta(1 \ge x \ge \xi) \phi\left(\frac{x-\xi}{1-\xi}\right) - \Theta(-\xi \ge x \ge -1) \phi\left(\frac{1+x}{1-\xi}\right) \right]$$

QED Wilson line



## Summary of the factorization with TDA for longitudinal virtual photons

Factorized form of the amplitude involving a TDA

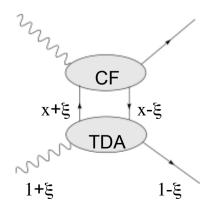
$$\begin{split} &T^{\alpha\,\beta}p_{2\,\alpha}p_{1\,\beta} = \\ &-if_{\rho}^{2}e^{2}(Q_{u}^{2} + Q_{d}^{2})g^{2}\,\frac{C_{F}}{8N_{c}}\int\limits_{-1}^{1}\,dx\,\int\limits_{0}^{1}dz_{1}\,\left[\frac{1}{\bar{z}_{1}(x-\xi)} + \frac{1}{z_{1}(x+\xi)}\right]\phi(z_{1})\ T(x,\xi,t_{min}) \end{split}$$

with 
$$T(x, \xi, t_{min}) \equiv N_c \left[ \Theta(1 \ge x \ge \xi) \phi\left(\frac{x-\xi}{1-\xi}\right) - \Theta(-\xi \ge x \ge -1) \phi\left(\frac{1+x}{1-\xi}\right) \right]$$

Only the DGLAP part of the TDA contributes because we use the p-mesons DAs.

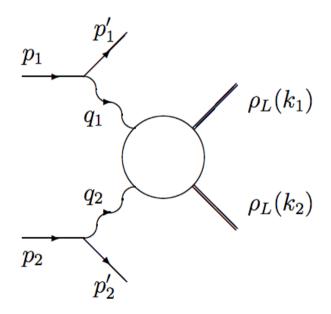
$$-\xi \ge x \ge -1$$
$$1 \ge x \ge \xi$$

We get the same kind of factorization for an opposite ordering of the photons virtualities.



## Second part: Diffractive mesons production with leptons tagging for studying the BFKL Pomeron

• We go back to the process  $e^+e^- o e^+e^ho_L
ho_L$ 



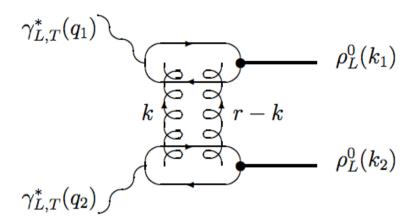
In the Regge limit, we expect to 'observe' an exchange of a BFKL Pomeron in the t-channel.

We compute the scattering amplitude in a complete analytical way at the Born order .

This process has already been studied until NLO only in the forward case.

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#### Study of the process



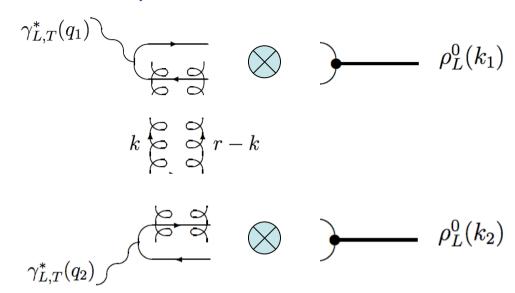
Selection of events in which two vectors  $\rho$  mesons with longitudinal polarization are produced in the final state with a big gap in rapidity.

Double tagging of final leptons → photons polarization

Highly virtual photons  $\ Q_1^2 \,, Q_2^2 \gg \Lambda_{QCD}^2 \ \longrightarrow$  perturbative computation

- $Q_1^2 \sim Q_2^2$   $\longrightarrow$  neglect DGLAP partonic evolution
- → In the Regge limit  $s \gg -t, \, Q_1^2 \,, Q_2^2$  , the process is dominated by BFKL evolution.

### Amplitude of the process at the Born order



Integration over the internal moments:

•Sudakov basis 
$$k=\alpha q_1'+\beta q_2'+k_\perp$$
  ${q_1'}^2={q_2'}^2=0$ 

- In the BFKL dynamics the longitudinal momenta of the gluons are strongly ordered.
- ightharpoonup kT-factorization in transverse momentum cf.  $\int d^4k = \int d\alpha d\beta d\underline{k}^2$
- ◆ Collinear approximation → we neglect transverse relative momentum of quark inside the mesons.

#### Factorization of the amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}=is \; \int \; rac{d^2\, \underline{k}}{(2\pi)^4 \underline{k}^2 \, (\underline{r}-\underline{k})^2} \mathcal{J}^{\gamma_{L,T}^*(q_1) 
ightarrow 
ho_L^0(k_1)}(\underline{k},\underline{r}-\underline{k}) \; \mathcal{J}^{\gamma_{L,T}^*(q_2) 
ightarrow 
ho_L^0(k_2)}(-\underline{k},-\underline{r}+\underline{k})$$

Every impact factor  $\mathcal{J}^{\gamma_{L,T}^*(q_1)\to \rho_L^0(k_1)}$  is written as a convolution of the DA of the meson with the coefficient function corresponding to the quark-antiquark opened pair production from one polarized photon with two gluons exchanged in the t channel.

We use the matrix element of the non local correlator of quarks fields on the light cone to define the DA of the meson as:

$$\langle 
ho(k_2) | ar{q}(-rac{z}{2}) \; \gamma^{\mu} \; q(rac{z}{2}) | 0 
angle = f_{
ho} \; k_2^{\mu} \int\limits_{0}^{1} du e^{i(1-2u)(k_2rac{z}{2})} \phi(u)$$

In the case of longitudinaly polarized photons, they read :

$$\begin{split} &\mathcal{J}^{\gamma_L^*(q_i)\to\rho_L(k_i)}(\underline{k},\underline{r}-\underline{k})\\ &=8\pi^2\alpha_s\frac{e}{\sqrt{2}}\frac{\delta^{ab}}{2N_c}Q_i\,f_\rho\alpha(k_i)\int\limits_0^1dz_iz_i\,\bar{z}_i\,\phi(z_i)\mathrm{P}_\mathrm{P}(z_\mathrm{i},\underline{k},\underline{r},\mu_\mathrm{i})\\ &\text{with}\quad \mathrm{P}_\mathrm{P}(z_\mathrm{i},\underline{k},\underline{r},\mu_\mathrm{i})=\frac{1}{z_\mathrm{i}^2\underline{r}^2+\mu_\mathrm{i}^2}+\frac{1}{\bar{z}_\mathrm{i}^2\underline{r}^2+\mu_\mathrm{i}^2}-\frac{1}{(z_\mathrm{i}\underline{r}-\underline{k})^2+\mu_\mathrm{i}^2}-\frac{1}{(\bar{z}_\mathrm{i}\underline{r}-\underline{k})^2+\mu_\mathrm{i}^2}\\ &\text{where}\quad \mu_i^2=Q_i^2\;z_i\;\bar{z}_i+m^2 \end{split}$$

• For transversely polarized photons, one obtains :

$$\begin{split} &\mathcal{J}^{\gamma_T^*(q_i)\to\rho_L(k_i)}(\underline{k},\underline{r}-\underline{k})\\ &=4\pi^2\alpha_s\frac{e}{\sqrt{2}}\frac{\delta^{ab}}{2N_c}\,f_\rho\alpha(k_i)\int\limits_0^1dz_i\,(z_i-\bar{z}_i)\,\phi(z_i)\,\underline{\epsilon}\cdot\underline{\mathbf{Q}}(z_i,\underline{k},\underline{r},\mu_i)\\ &\qquad \qquad \\ &\qquad \qquad \\ \text{with}\quad \underline{Q}(z_i,\underline{k},\underline{r},\mu_i)=\frac{z_i\,\underline{r}}{z_i^2\underline{r}^2+\mu_i^2}-\frac{\bar{z}_i\,\underline{r}}{\bar{z}_i^2\underline{r}^2+\mu_i^2}+\frac{\underline{k}-z_i\,\underline{r}}{(z_i\underline{r}-\underline{k})^2+\mu_i^2}-\frac{\underline{k}-\bar{z}_i\underline{r}}{(\bar{z}_i\,\underline{r}-\underline{k})^2+\mu_i^2} \end{split}$$

Both Impact factor vanish when  $\underline{k} \to 0$  or  $\underline{r} - \underline{k} \to 0$  due to QCD gauge invariance

To compute the scattering amplitude  $M_{\lambda_1\lambda_2}$  we have to perform analytically the 2D integration over the transverse momentum.

Analytical computation of the 2D integrals involved is performed after the use of conformal transformations in the transverse momentum space.

This reduces the number of propagators.

For example, we have to compute this kind of integrals:

$$J_{3m} = \int \frac{d^2\underline{k}}{\underline{k}^2(\underline{k} - \underline{r})^2} \left( \frac{1}{(\underline{k} - \underline{r}a)^2 + m^2} - \frac{1}{\underline{r}^2 + m^2} + (a \leftrightarrow \overline{a}) \right)$$

Inversion on the integration variable and vector parameter

$$\underline{k} \to \underline{\frac{K}{K^2}}, \quad \underline{r} \to \underline{\frac{R}{R^2}}, \quad m \to \underline{\frac{1}{M}}$$

Then we perform the shift of variable  $\underline{K} = \underline{R} + \underline{k}'$ And an other inversion

Finally we obtain

$$J_{3m} = \frac{1}{r^2} \int \frac{d^2 \underline{k}}{\underline{k}^2} \left[ \frac{(\underline{r} + \underline{k})^2}{(r^2 a^2 + m^2)((\underline{k} - \underline{r} \frac{r^2 a \underline{a} - m^2}{r^2 \underline{a}^2 + m^2})^2 + \frac{m^2 r^4}{(r^2 \underline{a}^2 + m^2)^2})} - \frac{1}{a^2 r^2 + m^2} + (a \leftrightarrow \overline{a}) \right]$$

It is now possible to compute this integral by using standard technique

#### Non-forward cross-sections at ILC for

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\rho_L^0 \; \rho_L^0$$

We use the same Sudakov basis

$$s_{e^+e^-} \sim s/(y_1y_2)$$

$$\frac{d\sigma(e^{+}e^{-} \to e^{+}e^{-}\rho_{L}\rho_{L})}{dy_{1}dy_{2}dQ_{1}^{2}dQ_{2}^{2}} 
= \frac{1}{y_{1}y_{2}Q_{1}^{2}Q_{2}^{2}} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^{2} \left[l_{1}(y_{1}) l_{2}(y_{2})\sigma(\gamma_{L}^{*}\gamma_{L}^{*} \to \rho_{L}\rho_{L}) + t_{1}(y_{1}) l_{2}(y_{2}) \sigma(\gamma_{T}^{*}\gamma_{L}^{*} \to \rho_{L}\rho_{L}) + l_{1}(y_{1}) t_{2}(y_{2}) \sigma(\gamma_{L}^{*}\gamma_{T}^{*} \to \rho_{L}\rho_{L}) + t_{1}(y_{1}) t_{2}(y_{2}) \sigma(\gamma_{T}^{*}\gamma_{T}^{*} \to \rho_{L}\rho_{L})\right] .$$

with the usual photons flux factors

$$t_i = \frac{1 + (1 - y_i)^2}{2}, \quad l_i = 1 - y_i$$

Weizsacker-Wiliams

Kinematical constraints coming from experimental features of the ILC collider are used to perform the phase-space integration.

$$y_i = \frac{E - E_i' \cos^2(\theta_i/2)}{E}$$

and virtualities

$$Q_i^2 = 4EE_i'\sin^2(\theta_i/2)$$

In the cms frame, kinematical constraints coming from the minimal detection angle around the beampipe and from the conditions on the energies of the scattered leptons and the Regge limit.

$$\begin{aligned} y_{i\,max} &= 1 - \frac{E_{min}}{E} \\ y_{1\,min} &= \max\left(f(Q_1), 1 - \frac{E_{max}}{E}\right) & \text{with} & f(Q_i) &= 1 - \frac{Q_i^2}{s\tan^2(\theta_{min}/2)} \\ y_{2\,min} &= \max\left(f(Q_2), 1 - \frac{E_{max}}{E}, \frac{c\,Q_1\,Q_2}{s\,y_1}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Foreseen cms energy : 
$$\sqrt{s} = 2E = 500\,GeV$$

### Experimental features of the ILC collider

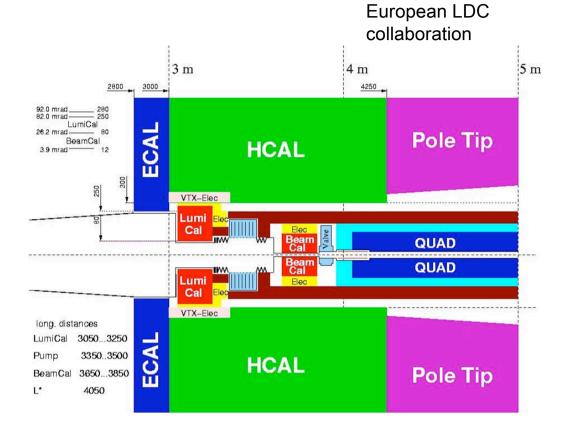
$$\sqrt{s} = 2E = 500 \, GeV$$

LDC detector : emc BeamCal around the beampipe at 3.65 m from the vertex

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$$\longrightarrow E_{min} = 100 \, GeV$$

$$\theta_{min} = 4 \text{ mrad}$$



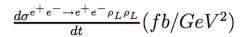
ECAL, HCAL: hadron calorimeters

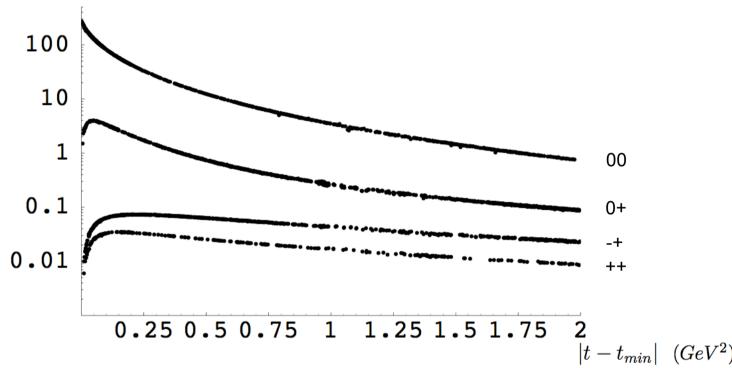
LumiCal, BeamCal: electromagnetic calorimeters

$$\frac{d\sigma^{e^+e^-\to e^+e^-\rho_L\rho_L}}{dt} = \int_{Q^2_{1min}}^{Q^2_{1max}} dQ^2_1 \, \int_{Q^2_{2min}}^{Q^2_{2max}} dQ^2_2 \, \int_{\epsilon}^{y_{max}} dy_1 \, \int_{\frac{Q_1Q_2}{sy_1}}^{y_{max}} dy_2 \frac{d\sigma^{e^+e^-\to e^+e^-\rho_L\rho_L}}{dt \, dy_1 \, dy_2 \, dQ^2_1 \, dQ^2_2}$$

#### Results for non-forward cross-sections at ILC for

$$e^+e^- 
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ho_L^0 
ho_L^0$$





$$\sigma^{LL} = 32.4 fb$$

$$\sigma^{LT} = 1.5 fb$$

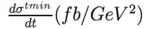
$$\sigma^{TT} = 0.2 fb$$

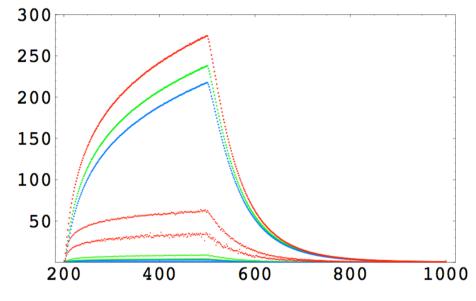
$$\sigma^{Total} = 34.1 \, fb$$

with 
$$lpha_s(\sqrt{Q_1Q_2})$$
 running at three loops  $\sqrt{s}=500{
m GeV}$   $c=1$ 

 $\rightarrow$  4.26 10<sup>3</sup> events per year with foreseen luminosity

## Effects of parameters and quark exchange contribution to the non-forward cross-sections for $e^+e^- \to e^+e^-\rho_L^0$ at $t_{\rm min}$





red curve: c = 1

green curve: c = 2

blue curve: c = 3

 $\sqrt{s}$  (GeV)

#### For the total cross-section:

$$\alpha_s(\sqrt{Q_1Q_2})$$
 running at three loops

$$lpha_s(\sqrt{Q_1Q_2})$$
 running at one loop

$$\alpha_s(\sqrt{Q_1Q_2})$$
 running at three loops and c = 2

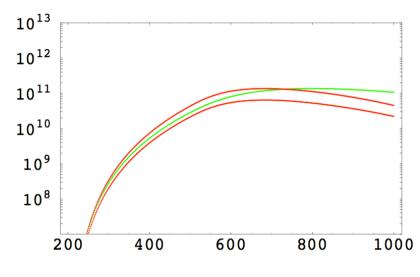
$$\sigma^{Total} = 34.1 \, fb$$

$$\sigma^{Total} = 35.6 \, fb$$

$$\sigma^{Total} = 29.6 \, fb$$

## Effects of parameters on the non-forward cross-sections for $e^+e^- \to e^+e^-\rho_L^0~\rho_L^0$ with LO BFKL evolution at $t_{\rm min}$

#### $\frac{d\sigma^{tmin}}{dt}(fb/GeV^2)$

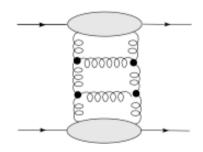


upper red curve:  $\alpha_s(\sqrt{Q_1Q_2})$  running at one loop

lower red curve:  $\alpha_s(\sqrt{Q_1Q_2})$  running at three loops

green curve: fixed value of  $\alpha_s = 0.46$ 

 $\sqrt{s}$  (GeV)



Forward case BFKL amplitude in the saddle-point approximation:

$$A(s, t = t_{min}, Q_1, Q_2) \sim is \frac{\alpha_s^2 \alpha_{em} f_\rho^2}{Q_1^2 Q_2^2} \frac{e^{4 \ln 2 \bar{\alpha}_s Y}}{\sqrt{14 \bar{\alpha}_s \zeta(3) Y}} \exp\left(-\frac{\ln^2 R}{14 \bar{\alpha}_s \zeta(3) Y}\right)$$

with: 
$$\begin{array}{ll} Y = \ln(\frac{c'\,s\,y_1\,y_2}{Q_1Q_2}) \\ \bar{\alpha}_s = \frac{N_c}{\pi}\alpha_s(\sqrt{Q_1Q_2}) \text{ and } R = \frac{Q_1}{Q_2} \end{array}$$

### Conclusions

We gave a precise estimation of the two gluon t-channel exchange in the exclusive reaction  $\gamma^* \ \gamma^* \to \rho_L^0 \rho_L^0$ , which dominated at HE and corresponds to the BFKL background; since the impact factor are completely known in a pertubative way, not only the behaviour with energy but the complete amplitude can be analytically computed.  $\longrightarrow$  Clean test of the BFKL resummation scheme at ILC.

We demonstated the measurability of this process at ILC and predicted the number of events.

Born order evaluation 

NLO BFKL evolution fot any t.

At lower energy, quark exchange processes appear at lower order in  $~lpha_s~$  :

- The perturbative analysis of  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \to \rho_L^0 \rho_L^0$  at the Born order leads to two different types of factorization.
- Not only kinematics but polarization states also dictate the type of the factorization.
- Usually they are applied for two different kinematics but the arbitrariness in choosing the photons virtualities shows that there may exist an intersection region.
- Generalization for transverse mesons, non-forward kinematics and charged mesons pair.