

# Drell-Yan lepton pair production using TMD distribution functions from parton branching

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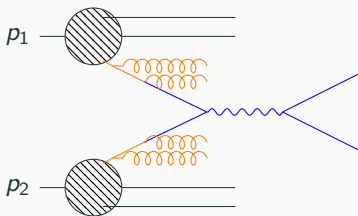
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- In collider physics we need predictions to compare theory with data
- For  $pp$  collisions the collinear factorization theorem is commonly used

$$\sigma_h \propto \int \underbrace{f_1 \otimes f_2}_{npQCD+pQCD} \otimes \underbrace{\hat{\sigma}_{parton}}_{pQCD}$$



1. Transverse momentum in the proton is neglected  
Transverse momentum of the partons building the proton
2. Many observables are perfectly described
3. However, there are observables where transverse momentum cannot be neglected  $\rightarrow$  Another approach must be used

We need to understand where the transverse momentum of the final states comes from

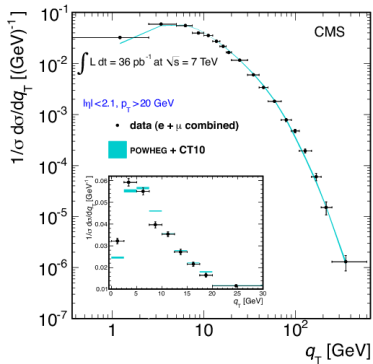
- The initial state partons have some intrinsic transverse momentum
- Later on the transverse momentum is generated via QCD radiations

$$\propto \log \frac{M}{q_T}$$

- These contributions need to be resummed:
  1. Parton showers
  2. TMDs

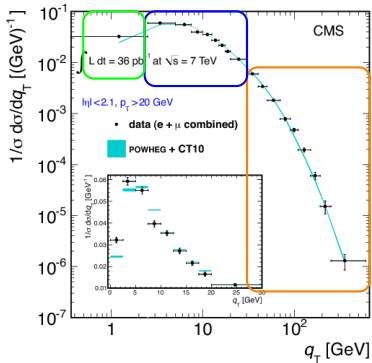
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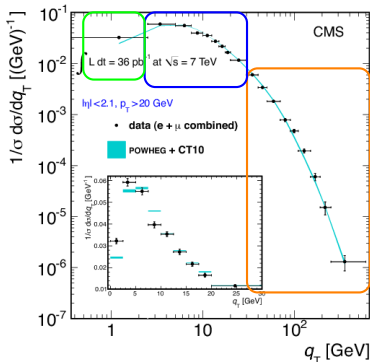


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- The high  $p_T$  region is described by perturbative QCD
- The peak & low  $p_T$  regions can not be described by fixed order QCD  $\Rightarrow$  The prediction diverges as  $q_T$  decreases
- The Z boson spectrum at the peak and below is dominated by QCD radiation

Parton Showers/TMDs



## Why TMDs

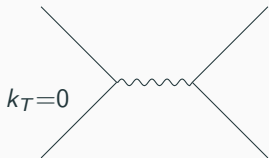
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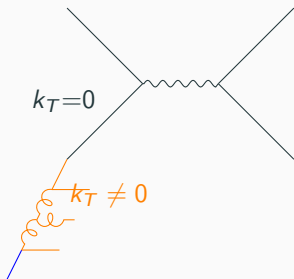
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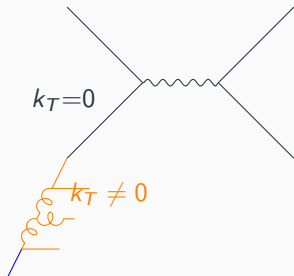
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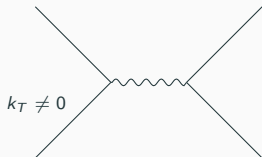
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The new kinematics does not correspond to de PDF according to which it was initially generated

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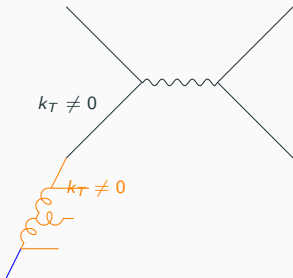
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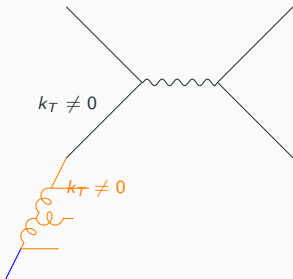
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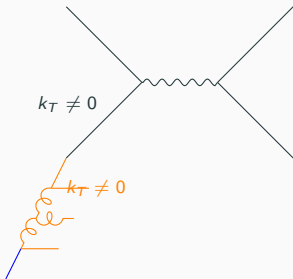
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We need TMDs to make this idea possible



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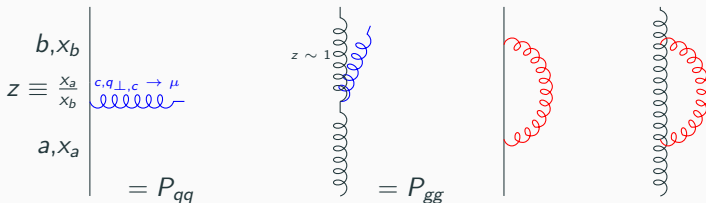
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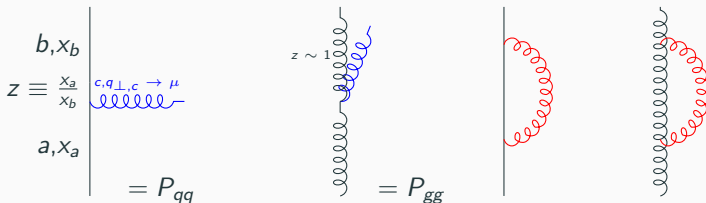
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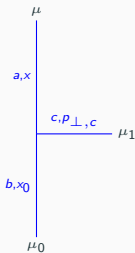
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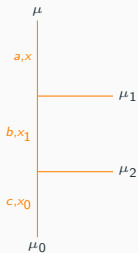
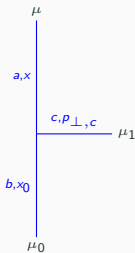
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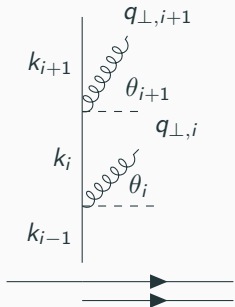




# Angular ordering

- The way we choose how to order the evolution in PB incorporates an important physical phenomena

Angular ordering:  $\theta_{i+1} > \theta_i$



- Angular ordering enters in the evolution as

$$q_{\perp,c}^2 = (1-z)^2 \mu'^2 \quad z_M = 1 - \left( \frac{q_0}{\mu'} \right) \quad \alpha_s ((1-z)^2 \mu'^2)$$

- The scale is proportional to the angle of the momentum of the radiated particle with respect to the particle beam

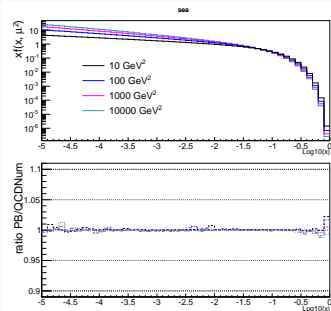
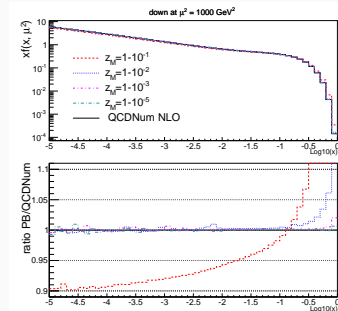
$$\frac{q_{\perp,i}}{1-z_i} = |k_{i-1}| \sin \theta_i = \mu'$$

- The first radiation is the one with the smallest angle

Remember:  $\Delta_a(z_M, \mu^2, \mu_0^2) = \exp \left( - \sum_b \int_{\mu_0^2}^{\mu^2} \frac{d\mu'^2}{\mu'^2} \int_0^{z_M} z P_{ba}^R(\mu'^2, z) dz \right)$

# Parton Branching validation

- PB is implemented in updfevolv code
- The code is checked using QCDnum package → Solves DGLAP semi-analytically
  1. We take the same starting distribution as in QCDnum
  2. We evolve the PDF up to some scale  $\mu$  both with QCDnum and updfevolv
- Left figure: different values of  $z_M$ , if  $z \sim 1$  we are able to reproduce DGLAP, if  $z_M = 0.9$  we differ
- Right figure: PB is validated in wide range of scales



**Important:** In order to reproduce DGLAP we need fixed  $z_M$  and  $\alpha_s(\mu)$

## **Non-perturbative effects**

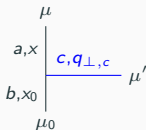
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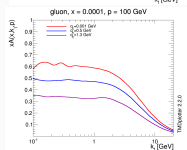
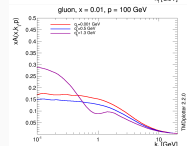
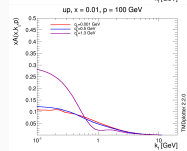
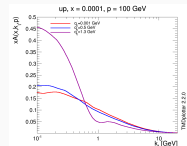
- $q_0$  is the minimum transverse momentum of the parton emitted in the branching ( $q_{\perp,c} > q_0$ )
- The choice of  $q_0$  will affect  $z_M$ , thus

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- With small  $q_0$  more branchings
- Large  $q_0$** : for up quarks and gluons at higher  $x$  intrinsic  $k_t$  dominates at low  $k_t$ , lower contribution from evolution at higher  $k_t$ , compared to small  $q_0$
- Small  $q_0$** : intrinsic  $k_t$  contribution smeared via the evolution
- For gluons at low  $x$  radiation dominates in the whole  $k_t$  range



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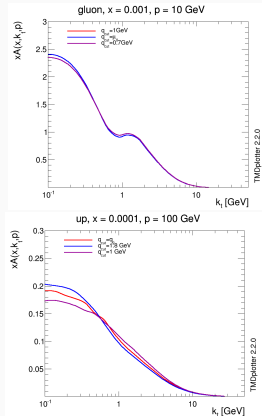
- At small values of  $q_{\perp}$   $\alpha_s$  diverges, we introduce a cut

$$\alpha_s(q_{\perp}) \rightarrow \alpha_s(q_{\perp} > q_{cut})$$

- This will affect the Sudakov form factor

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- If  $q_0$  is large the  $q_{cut}$  will not affect (upper plot)
- For small  $q_0$  we see an effect from the choice of the cut (lower plot)
- The explanation of the shape of the distribution is analogous to  $q_0$  dependence



# Intrinsic $k_t$ dependence

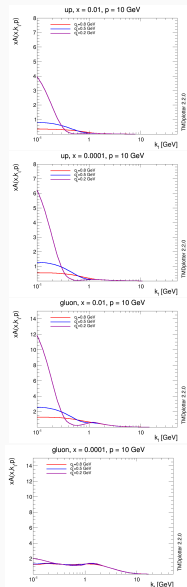
- The intrinsic  $k_t$  of the initial parton is generated from a gaussian distribution,

$$\mathcal{A}_{0,a}(x, k_{t0}, \mu_0) = f_{0,a}(x, \mu_0) e^{-\frac{k_{t0}^2}{\sigma^2}}.$$

- The parameter we are studying is  $q_s$ , the width of the distribution:

$$\sigma = \frac{q_s}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

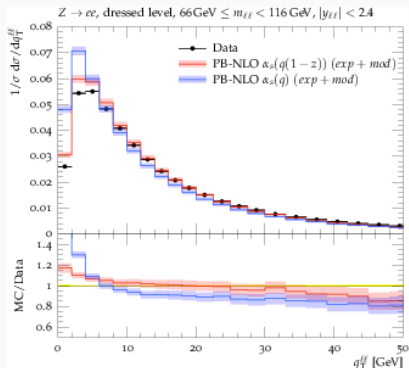
- Small values of  $q_s$  make larger TMDs at lower  $k_t$
- The effect of  $q_s$  not visible for gluon at small  $x$ , evolution dominates the contribution



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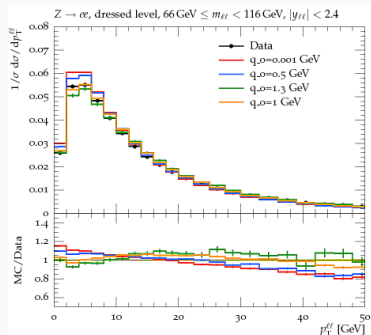
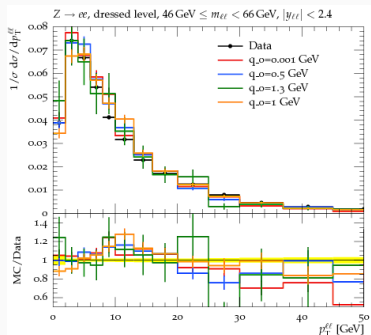


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- Predictions obtained with TMDs obtained from the fit of HERA DIS data
- With fixed  $z_M$  PBset2, where  $\alpha_s(q_{\perp})$ , better predictions than PBset1, where  $\alpha_s(\mu)$
- PBset2 works fine but we can still improve using dynamic  $z_M$
- Dynamic  $z_M$  has been deeply studied in arXiv:1908.08524v1, accepted for the publication in Nuclear Physics B



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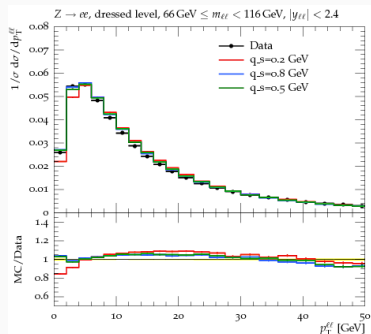
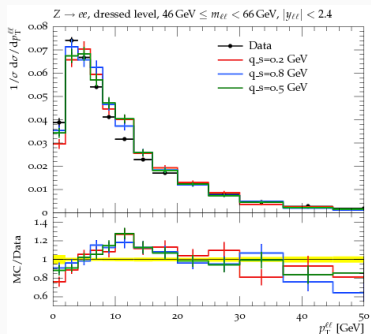


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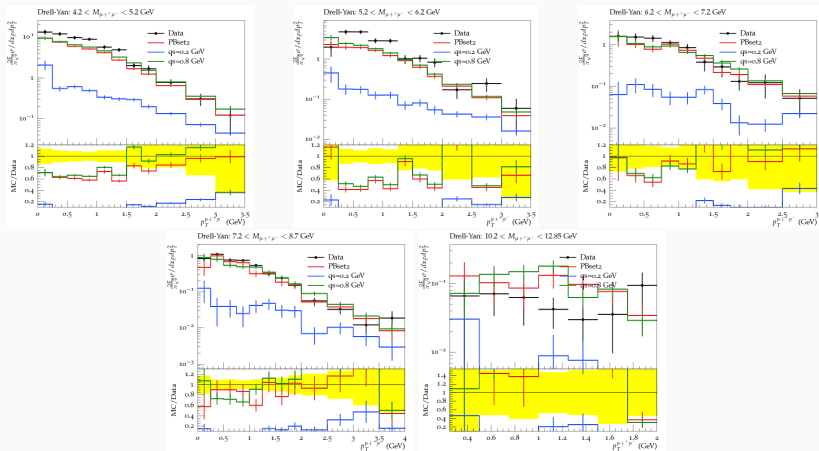


The width of the Gaussian of the  $k_T$  distribution affects the low  $p_T$  region and should be studied in detail in low energy experiments

ATLAS data is not sensitive enough at low  $p_T \rightarrow$  NuSea experiment (Low mass DY)

# PB predictions for NuSea

NuSea experiment is a fixed target low energy experiment performed at Fermilab where protons collide with deuterium and hydrogen



At low energy DY there is a big sensitivity to intrinsic  $k_T$

The intrinsic  $k_T$  distribution can be fitted from these data (Perform a global fit using HERA and NuSea data)

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