Recent results on inclusive quarkonium pair production in proton-proton collisions

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# Outline

- Single (SPS) and double parton scattering (DPS) mechanisms
- How to separate DPS from SPS? Rapidity distance between mesons!
- SPS production mechanisms that survive at large pair invariant mass/large rapidity distance
- Production of  $\chi_c$ -pairs and J/ $\psi$ -pairs

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#### Single vs. double parton scattering



- Production of heavy quark pairs mainly through single hard scattering  $\, gg 
  ightarrow Q ar Q$
- At LHC energies multiple hard scatterings in one pp-collision become important
- DPS especially prominent in charm sector → large cross sections & access from perturbative QCD [Luszczak, Maciula & Szczurek (2012), Kom, Kulesza & Stirling (2011)]

#### **DPS & the effective cross section**

$$T_{NN}(\mathbf{b}) = \int d^2 \mathbf{s} \, t_N(\mathbf{s}) t_N(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{s})$$
$$\frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{eff}}} = \int d^2 \mathbf{b} \, T_{NN}^2(\mathbf{b})$$



Normalization of DPS is controlled by the "*effective cross section*" & measures the overlap of parton clouds in the transverse plane.

 $\frac{d\sigma_{\rm DPS}(pp\to abX)}{dy_a dy_b d^2 \vec{p}_{aT} d^2 \vec{p}_{bT}} = \frac{1}{1+\delta_{ab}} \frac{1}{\sigma_{\rm eff}} \frac{d\sigma(pp\to aX)}{dy_a d^2 \vec{p}_{aT}} \frac{d\sigma(pp\to bX)}{dy_b d^2 \vec{p}_{bT}} \,.$ 

- Independent production: systems a & b are *completely uncorrelated in azimuth*.
- Each of the single particle spectra is a broad function of rapidity → rapidity distance Δy between a & b has a very broad distribution!
- Phenomenological models suggest:  $\sigma_{eff}$  = 15 mb.

# Experimental results for $\sigma_{eff}$

- The universal σ<sub>eff</sub> = 15 mb consistent throughout *except* for the J/ψ-pair production at ATLAS & D0.
- Could this be a hint for the failure of the *uncorrelated ansatz* for DPS?
- Or are we lacking in our understanding of J/ψ-pair production?
- What kinematic variables really distinguish DPS & SPS ?



15 mb

#### SPS: The "box" production mechanism



- We use k<sub>τ</sub> factorization, where incoming gluons are off-shell, and carry transverse momenta quantified by unintegrated gluon distributions.
- Outgoing J/ψ's will be *azimuthally decorrelated* wrt back-to-back kinematics of collinear parton calculations.
- The  $J/\psi$ -pair carries a *finite transverse momentum*.
- k<sub>T</sub> factorization matrix elements by Baranov [Phys.Rev. D84 (2011)].
- We stick to the **color-singlet mechanism**, where the  $c\bar{c} \rightarrow J/\psi$  vertex is fixed through the wf. at the origin.

#### How to separate SPS & DPS

fraction of xsec surviving  $p_{\tau}$ -cut



azimuthal angle between  $J/\psi$ 's



- Box-contribution strongly decorrelated in azimuth
- Putting **lower cutoff on**  $p_T$  of  $J/\psi$ , we approach dijet-like back-to-back limit
- DPS-strength is lost disproportionally...
   → not a very efficient discriminator

Baranov, Snigirev, Zotov, Szczurek & WS, Phys Rev D87 (2013)

#### Rapidity distance between $J/\psi$ 's





$$\sigma(g^*g^* \to J/\psi J/\psi) \propto \frac{1}{\hat{s}^3} \propto \exp[-3\Delta y]$$

- Box mechanism always has a parton with off-shellness growing with cm-energy, therefore strong energy dependence.
- Rapidity separation is an excellent discriminator!
- ... but does this clean separation of SPS and DPS hold beyond the box-diagram mechanism?



rapidity distance between  $J/\psi$ 's

#### Large rapidity distances in x-pair production



- The even C-parity χ-states can be produced via the t-channel gluon exchange. There is no divergence at small t as quarkantiquark pairs are color-neutral.
- Due to the vector exchange, cross section is constant at high energies
- → The "box" contribution for  $\chi$ -states is suppressed by a small parameter  $\left(\frac{|R'(0)|^2}{M_\chi^2 |R(0)|^2}\right)^2 \sim 10^{-3}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{The} \ \mathbf{g}^* \mathbf{g}^* \Rightarrow \mathbf{\chi} \ \mathbf{vertices} \quad \text{A.Cisek, WS, A. Szczurek, Phys Rev D 97(2018} \\ V^{ab}_{\mu\nu}(J, J_z; q_1, q_2) &= -i 4\pi \alpha_S \, \delta^{ab} \, \frac{2R'(0)}{\sqrt{\pi N_c M^3}} \sqrt{3} \cdot T_{\mu\nu}(J, J_z; q_1, q_2) \,, \\ T_{\mu\nu}(0, 0; q_1, q_2) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \, \frac{M^2}{(2q_1 \cdot q_2)^2} \\ \left\{ g_{\mu\nu} \left( 6(q_1 \cdot q_2) - q_1^2 - q_2^2 + \frac{(q_2^2 - q_1^2)^2}{M^2} \right) \\ &+ q_{1\mu}q_{2\nu} \, 2\left( \frac{q_1^2 + q_2^2}{M^2} - 1 \right) \, + q_{2\mu}q_{1\nu} \, 2\left( \frac{q_1^2 + q_2^2}{M^2} - 3 \right) \\ &+ q_{1\mu}q_{1\nu} \frac{4q_2^2}{M^2} + q_{2\mu}q_{2\nu} \frac{4q_1^2}{M^2} \right\} \quad \nu, q_2 \\ T_{\mu\nu}(1, J_z; q_1, q_2) &= \frac{i}{\sqrt{2M}} \frac{1}{(q_1 \cdot q_2)} \left\{ (q_1^2 - q_2^2) \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(q_1 + q_2)^{\alpha} \epsilon^{\beta}(J_z) \\ &+ \frac{q_1^2 + q_2^2}{(q_1 \cdot q_2)} (a_\mu q_{1\nu} - a_\nu q_{2\mu}) + 2(a_\nu q_{1\mu} - a_\mu q_{2\nu}) \right\} \quad a_\mu = \epsilon_{\mu\rho\alpha\beta} q_1^{\rho} q_2^{\alpha} \epsilon^{\beta}(J_z) \,. \\ T_{\mu\nu}(2, J_z; q_1, q_2) &= \frac{-M^2}{(2q_1 \cdot q_2)^2} \left\{ -g_{\mu\nu}(q_2 - q_1)^{\alpha}(q_2 - q_1)^{\beta} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}(J_z) + 4(q_1 \cdot q_2) \epsilon_{\mu\nu}(J_z) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$+2(q_2-q_1)^{\alpha}\epsilon_{\alpha\nu}(J_z)q_{2\mu}-2(q_2-q_1)^{\alpha}\epsilon_{\alpha\mu}(J_z)q_{1\nu}\Big\},\,$$

- All vertices fulfill the QED-like Ward identities and can be used for external spacelike off-shell gluons
- The vertex for the axial vector, J=1, vanishes for on-shell external photons/gluons, in agreement with Landau-Yang theorem

#### **Amplitudes & cross sections**



$$\begin{split} \mathbf{M}_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(J_1, J_{1z}, J_2, J_{2z}) &= V_{\mu\alpha}^{ac}(J_1, J_{1z}; q_1, p_1 - q_1) \frac{-g^{\alpha\beta} \delta_{cd}}{\hat{t}} V_{\beta\nu}^{db}(J_2, J_{2z}; p_2 - q_2, q_2) \\ &+ V_{\mu\alpha}^{ac}(J_2, J_{2z}; q_1, p_2 - q_1) \frac{-g^{\alpha\beta} \delta_{cd}}{\hat{u}} V_{\beta\nu}^{db}(J_1, J_{1z}; p_1 - q_2, q_1), \end{split}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma(pp \to \chi\chi X)}{dy_1 d^2 \vec{p}_{1T} dy_2 d^2 \vec{p}_{2T}} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2 (x_1 x_2 s)^2} \frac{1}{1 + \delta_{ij}} \int \frac{d^2 \vec{q}_{1T}}{\pi \vec{q}_{1T}^2} \frac{d^2 \vec{q}_{2T}}{\pi \vec{q}_{2T}^2} \overline{|\mathcal{M}_{g^* g^* \to \chi_c(i)\chi_{cJ}}^{\text{off-shell}}|^2} \\ \times \ \delta^{(2)} \left(\vec{q}_{1T} + \vec{q}_{2T} - \vec{p}_{1T} - \vec{p}_{2T}\right) \mathcal{F}(x_1, \vec{q}_{1T}^2, \mu_F^2) \mathcal{F}(x_2, \vec{q}_{2T}^2, \mu_F^2) \ .$$

unintegrated gluon distributions

$$xg(x,\mu_F^2) = \int^{\mu_F^2} \frac{d\vec{q}_T^2}{\vec{q}_T^2} \,\mathcal{F}(x,\vec{q}_{1T}^2,\mu_F^2)$$



drop induced by large-x gluons

- SPS & DPS of the similar magnitude (with σ<sub>eff</sub>=15 mb).
- Deep dip in SPS distribution



# $g^*g^* \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi$ processes that survive at high $\Delta y$



- "quasi-diffractive" exchange of 2 gluons in symmetric color octet
- A type of "colored Pomeron", purely imaginary amplitude very similar to 2 gluon exchange in γγ-scattering [Ginzburg, Panfil & Serbo 1988].

Baranov, Snigirev, Zotov, Szczurek & WS, Phys Rev D87 (2013)



 Very small contribution, vast region of phase space "blocked" for final state gluons

# Contribution of χ-pairs to J/ψ-pair production



Br  $(\chi_c(0) \rightarrow J/\psi\gamma) = 1.26 \pm 0.06\%$ Br  $(\chi_c(1) \rightarrow J/\psi\gamma) = 33.9 \pm 1.2\%$ , Br  $(\chi_c(2) \rightarrow J/\psi\gamma) = 19.2 \pm 0.7\%$ 

### ATLAS data on $J/\psi J/\psi$ ATLAS Coll. Eur.Phys.J C 77 (2017)

- cuts on  $J/\psi$ :  $|y^{J/\psi}| < 2.1, p_T^{J/\psi} > 8.5 \,\text{GeV}.$
- additional muon cuts:  $|\eta^{\mu}| < 2.3, p_T^{\mu} > 2.5 \text{ GeV}, 2.8 < M_{\mu\mu} < 3.4 \text{ GeV}.$



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- Quasi-diffractive 2g-exchange & χ-feed-down nicely mimic DPS in the
- → ∆y distribution
- Unfortunately they are lacking in pair transverse momentum
- → Here we used  $σ_{_{eff}}$ =15 mb.
- Similar situation for CMS data.

# Associated production of $\chi_{r}$ pairs with a gluon



$$\mathcal{M}_{A} = ig_{S}f_{ab'c} \, 2q_{a}^{+}\delta_{\lambda_{a}\lambda_{g}} \frac{1}{t_{1}} \, n^{+\mu'} \varepsilon^{\nu'}(\lambda_{b}, q_{b}) \mathcal{M}_{\mu'\nu'}^{b'b}(p_{g} - q_{a}, q_{b}; p_{1}, p_{2})$$
$$\mathcal{M}_{C} = ig_{S}f_{a'b'c} \, V_{1}^{aa'}(q_{a}, p_{1}) \frac{1}{t_{1}} \, C^{\rho}(q_{a} - p_{1}, q_{b} - p_{2}) \varepsilon_{\rho}^{*}(\lambda_{g}, p_{g}) \, \frac{1}{t_{2}} V_{2}^{bb'}(q_{b}, p_{2})$$

- Associated production with leading gluon (A&B) or central gluon (C) in collinear factorization
- Large rapidity distance between gluon and the mesons
- We can use Feynman rules e.g. from effective action of Lipatov et al.

# Associated production of $\chi_c$ pairs with a gluon



$$d\sigma(2 \to 3) = \frac{\gamma}{16\pi^2 (N_c^2 - 1)} I_1(\vec{p}_{1\perp}) \mathcal{K}_r(\vec{p}_{1\perp}, -\vec{p}_{2\perp}) I_2(\vec{p}_{2\perp}) d^2 \vec{p}_{1\perp} d^2 \vec{p}_{2\perp}$$

- Rapidity spectra for Born-level pair production, and associated production with a central gluon
- Factorization in terms of impact factors and real emission BFKL vertex
- I. Babiaerz, WS, A. Szczurek, Phys Rev D99 (2019)

## Associated production of $\chi_{p}$ pairs with a gluon

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TABLE 1. Values of total cross sections for particular processes for  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV.

Xc2	$\sigma_{ m total}$	$\chi_{c1}$	$\sigma_{ m total}$	$\chi_{c0}$	$\sigma_{ m total}$
$pp  ightarrow \chi_{c2} \chi_{c2}$	0.62 nb	$pp  ightarrow \chi_{c1} \chi_{c1}$	$8.60 \cdot 10^{-2} \mathrm{nb}$	$pp  ightarrow \chi_{c0} \chi_{c0}$	0.40 nb
$pp \rightarrow [\chi_{c2}\chi_{c2}]g$	$0.19\mathrm{nb} imes2$	$pp \rightarrow [\chi_{c1}\chi_{c1}]g$	$4.07 \cdot 10^{-2} \mathrm{nb}  imes 2$	$pp \rightarrow [\chi_{c0}\chi_{c0}]g$	$0.10nb\times 2$
$pp  ightarrow \chi_{c2}g\chi_{c2}$	0.16 nb	$pp  ightarrow \chi_{c1} g \chi_{c1}$	$1.78 \cdot 10^{-2} \mathrm{nb}$	$pp  ightarrow \chi_{c0} g \chi_{c0}$	0.03 nb

# Associated production of $\chi_c$ pairs with a gluon



- Transverse momentum of leading gluon (left) and central gluon (right).
- J=1 state has harder large momentum tail, and central gluon distribution differs from the one for J=0,2.

# Summary

- Large DPS contribution in the charm sector → charmonium pair production as a probe of DPS
- *Rapidity difference* between  $J/\psi$  is an excellent discriminator between single (SPS) and double parton scattering (DPS) mechanisms
- Observation of small  $\sigma_{eff}$  leads to the quest for SPS mechanisms that *survive at large pair invariant mass/large rapidity distance*  $\Delta y$ .
- $\chi_c$ -pairs are produced via single t & u-channel gluon exchange  $\rightarrow$  broad distributions in  $\Delta y$
- Two-gluon exchange in  $gg \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi$  and feed-down from  $\chi_c \chi_c$  very much **mimic the behaviour of DPS** but seem to be too small in strength to replace it.
- In collinear factorization, one needs to include 2→ 3 processes to recover kT-factorization results
- Additional enhancement from production of central gluons.