



High-p_T **Physics**

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- The new world average from PDG on $\alpha_s(M_z^2)$ is 0.1179 ± 0.0010
- Elastic scattering of electrons on protons:
 - "Simplest" elastic approximation: Rutherford scattering
 - Has one independent variable, e.g. θ or Q²
 - Mott scattering includes energy transfer from electron to nucleon and spin-1/2
 - Rosenbluth formula introduces internal structure of the proton; electric and magnetic form factors
- Inelastic scattering requires two independent variables, e.g. scaling variable x and momentum transfer squared Q²
- Can be converted to other combination with inelasticity y and hadron final state mass squared W²
- Lorentz-invariant description involves structure functions $F_1(x,Q^2)$ and $F_2(x,Q^2)$ $F_1(x) = \frac{F_2(x)}{2\pi}$
- Depend mostly on x, not Q²: Spin-1/2 partons lead to Callan-Gross relation Klaus Rabbertz

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Rosenbluth formula can be rewritten to include inelastic scattering.

Most general Lorentz-invariant and parity conserving expression:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \sigma}{\mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}Q^2} = \frac{4\pi \alpha^2}{Q^4} \left[(1-y) \frac{F_2(x, Q^2)}{x} + y^2 F_1(x, Q^2) \right] \qquad \qquad Q^2 \gg M_p^2 y^2$$

 $F_1(x,Q^2)$ and $F_2(x,Q^2)$ are structure functions incorporating the form factors (and kinematic ones, τ), but cannot be related to Fourier transforms any more since dependent on x.

Still, $F_1(x,Q^2)$ is of purely magnetic origin, while $F_2(x,Q^2)$ originates from both, electric and magnetic effects.

What do they mean?

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- J.D. Bjorken, R.P. Feynman 1969:
- Infinite momentum frame
 - incoherent superposition of elastic scatterings with point-like "partons"
 - scale invariant, i.e. independent of resolution ~ q², no natural length scale











Proton structure





Example of generic functional form of proton structure:

$$xf(x) = Ax^{B}(1-x)^{C}(1+Dx+Ex^{2})$$
Normalisation Behaviour for Behaviour for $x \to 0$ $x \to 1$ Middle region largest variability
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Correlation cross section - PDF ETE

Example: Measurement of high pT jets and gluon content of the proton:

- Gluon distribution at high x (> 0.1)
- Quark distribution at high x (> 0.3)





Hadron Colliders





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"Broadband beams" of various parton types with various energies \rightarrow QCD parton collider!



Challenge: Reliable calculations of observables

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Not a Feynman diagram



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Partonic Feynman diagram \rightarrow calculable in perturbative QCD



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$$\sigma_{\rm DY} = \sum_{i,j} \int \mathrm{d}x_i \mathrm{d}x_j f_i(x_i) f_j(x_j) \cdot \hat{\sigma}(q_i q_j \to l^+ l^-)$$

PDFs $f_i(x_i)$ are universal; can be measured independently e.g. in DIS!

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Factorisation scale







Factorisation scale





- Attribution ambiguous:
 - Leads to soft and/or collinear divergences (long-distance effects!)
 - Solution: Introduce a new scale to separate short- and long-distance effects
 - Factorisation scale μ_f
 - All soft and collinear divergences (long-distance effects) are absorbed into the PDFs determined from experimental measurements

 $f_i(x_i) \to f_i(x_i, \mu_f^2)$

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Hadron-hadron cross sections ETP

Factorisation valid also for more general final states, e.g. jet production!





Event rates at the LHC







Jets at the LHC







All inclusive



Large transverse momenta



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Inclusive jet cross section



 $\propto \alpha_s^2$

 $d^2\sigma$

Overall agreement with predictions of QCD at NLO over many orders of magnitude in cross section and even beyond 2 TeV in jet p_T and for rapidities |y| up to 3 ~ 5 at \sqrt{s} = 2.76, 7, 8, and 13 TeV.

Data vs. NLO pQCD x non-pert. x EW corrections



Example: Strong coupling constant





W and Z bosons



Standard Candles







- Hadro-production of leptons pairs from W, Z decays
 - large invariant mass
 - high p_T of leptons, but not necessarily of W, Z
 - high p_T of W, Z requires balancing object \rightarrow most frequently jets
 - Very interesting to study: W, Z p_τ distribution
 - Also: di- and triple-vector boson production
- Further interest:
 - Masses of W and Z bosons: Important SM parameters
 - W and Z boson couplings in production and decay
 - E.g. asymmetries in production

Much more on W, Z analyses in:

Particle physics II – W, Z and Higgs physics at the LHC

M. Schröder, R. Wolf



W and Z at the LHC









Proton-proton collisions, all p_{T} :



- Production of W bosons vs. rapidity y
 - symmetric around zero for W⁺, W⁻
 - BUT: W⁺ different from W⁻
 - Proton content different for u and d!

Theory known up to NNLO, 1^{st} order independent of α_{s}





Z+jet production







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- Theory for forward-backward topology
 - starts being precise only at NNLO
- **Z** p_τ distribution:
 - Z p_T balanced by jets at high p_T
 - At small p_T multiple soft gluon radiation must be considered, fixed-order pQCD insufficient
 - Resummation of leading terms to all orders
 - Parton showers
 - Description by MC generators with showers and/or resummation ok











Heavy quarks



Relevant CMS measurements:

PLB 728, 496 (2013), JHEP 11, 067 (2012) [Erratum: PLB 738, 526 (2014)], CMS-TOP-17-001, arXiv:1812.10505 CMS-PAS-TOP-18-004.

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ttbar at the LHC





Solution Standard Model

- top like a normal quark q
 - Spin 1/2
 - Couples to color
 - Produced "strongly", predominantly via gluon-gluon process at the LHC
 - Decays "weakly" to ~100% via t → Wb
 - No flavor-changing neutral currents



Solution of the Standard Model

top not a normal quark

Heaviest known elementary particle
 m_{top} = ~173 GeV



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Solution of the Standard Model



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Solution of the Standard Model





top, W, and Higgs mass



- top mass connected to W and Higgs mass via loop corrections
- Production as single-top can provide input to PDFs
- Background to many searches for new physics

Much more on top analyses in:

Particle physics II – Top quark and jet physics at the LHC

KR + A. Meyer





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Summary



- Collisions including hadrons such as protons in the initial state require knowledge of the hadron's internal structure
- Protons are described by parton distribution functions (PDFs) describing the probability to find a parton i with momentum fraction x at a scale µ_f
 - The x dependence cannot be derived in perturbative QCD, but is universally usable in scattering processes once determined from data
 - **The scale dependence is calculable in perturbative QCD, TP II Top & Jets**
- Through the factorisation theorem of QCD cross sections involving hadrons can be derived separating soft/collinear effects into PDFs and high-pT parton scatters in partonic matrix elements
- Examples for high-pT processes at the LHC are

 - **➡** W production \rightarrow asymmetry in W⁺ W⁻ rapidity distribution

 - ***** ttbar production \rightarrow top quark mass, lifetime, ...





