# Status of high-x section

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## Outline

- Drell Yan lepton pair production in pp
- W production in pp
- Drell Yan lepton pair production in pA
- The large-x gluon at AFTER in pA
- The large-x gluon at AFTER in pp

#### Drell Yan lepton pair production in pp

#### Kinematical plan of DY at AFTER



#### AFTER:

- Extend kinematic plane to very large x (and smaller x, M > 10 GeV)
- Much higher statistics in the region covered by NuSea (E866)

#### Hadron structure at large x

- Large-x behaviour:  $x f_i(x,Q_0) \sim (1-x)^{b_i}$
- Counting rule expectations:  $b_u = b_d = 3$
- Currently only b\_uv relatively well constrained

 $2.6 < b_{u_v} < 3.4$ 

Ball, Nocera, Rojo, arXiv: 1604.00024

• Down valence quark less well known

 $1.4 < b_d_v < 4.6$ 

Exponents for the sea quarks and the gluon very poorly known

#### Hadron structure at large x



J. Qiu, NNPSS lecture 2016

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• In this limit with  $r_v = \frac{d(x_2)}{u(x_2)}$ 

$$R = \frac{\sigma^{\rm DY}(pn)}{\sigma^{\rm DY}(pp)} \simeq \frac{4\bar{u}(x_1)d(x_2) + \bar{d}(x_1)u(x_2)}{4\bar{u}(x_1)u(x_2) + \bar{d}(x_1)d(x_2)} \simeq \frac{4d(x_2) + u(x_2)}{4u(x_2) + d(x_2)} = \frac{1 + 4r_v}{4 + r_v}$$

• Amusing to note: I/4 < R < 4

similar to the famous Nachtmann ratio for DIS structure functions  $I/4 < F_2^n / F_2^p < 4$ 

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$$R_{d/p}(x_2) = \frac{\sigma^{\rm DY}(pd)}{\sigma^{\rm DY}(pp)} = 1 + \frac{\sigma^{\rm DY}(pn)}{\sigma^{\rm DY}(pp)} \simeq 5 \, \frac{1 + r_v(x_2)}{4 + r_v(x_2)} \, .$$

$$R_{d/p} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 2 & ; \quad r_v = 1 \\ 2.5 & ; \quad r_v = 0 \\ 5 & ; \quad r_v \to \infty \end{cases}$$

# DY pseudo data compared to NLO theory



- Pseudo-data for the rapidity distributions using MCFM and projected experimental uncertainties (provided by Barbara)
- Need more information how experimental uncertainties have been obtained (stat? sys? bgd?)
- Add description in Eol
- In the figure, the experimental errors are barely visible
- Performed reweighting analysis using the XFitter package

## Impact of DY pp data on proton PDFs

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# Questions/Outlook/ToDo

- Results of the reweighting analysis in pp look very promising
- Potential to reduce PDF uncertainty of light quarks at small/medium x and high x

• ToDo:

- Refining discussion of large-x hadron structure models; add references
- Discussion of projected experimental uncertainties
- Include nuclear corrections for deuteron?

# W production

#### Motivation

 W production close to threshold never been measured

Proxy for heavy resonance searches at the LHC

 Potential to provides constraints on light quark sea and the valence quarks (flavor separation)

# Predictions for W-boson production at AFTER

pp	$W^+$			<i>W</i> <sup>-</sup>		
	NLO	NNLO	Counts/year	NLO	NNLO	Counts/year
$p_T^l > 10 \text{ GeV}$	$22.5^{+4.8}_{-4.3}$	$25.9^{+4.8}_{-5.0}$	$259 \pm 49$	$5.5^{+1.3}_{-1.3}$	$6.2^{+1.1}_{-1.4}$	$62 \pm 13$
$p_T^l > 20 \text{ GeV}$	$1.9^{+1.2}_{-0.7}$	$2.3^{+1.3}_{-1.1}$	$23 \pm 12$	$0.38^{+0.29}_{-0.20}$	$0.50^{+0.25}_{-0.25}$	$5 \pm 2.5$
$p_T^l > 30 \text{ GeV}$	$0.28^{+0.91}_{-0.27}$	$0.27^{+0.72}_{-0.24}$	$2.7 \pm 4.8$	$0.035^{+0.091}_{-0.039}$	$0.04^{+0.09}_{-0.04}$	$0.4 \pm 0.7$

TABLE I Cross section at NLO and NNLO integrated over the rapidity range  $2 < \eta_{\mu} < 5$  and imposing a cut  $p_T^{\mu} > 10$  GeV in [fb]. The results have been obtained for *pp* collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 115$  GeV with FEWZ [98] using the CT14 PDFs [99]. The asymmetric uncertainties have been calculated using the error PDFs. The expected number of events has been obtained with a yearly luminosity of 10 fb<sup>-1</sup>.



#### A simple ratio in the limit of large $x_1, x_2$

- W-production at AFTER is close to the threshold (In fact, it's dominated by off-shell W bosons)
- Both,  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are large. In this limit:

$$\begin{split} R^{W} &= \frac{\frac{d\sigma}{dy}(pn \to W^{+} + W^{-}) - \frac{d\sigma}{dy}(pp \to W^{+} + W^{-})}{\frac{d\sigma}{dy}(pn \to W^{+} + W^{-}) + \frac{d\sigma}{dy}(pp \to W^{+} + W^{-})} = 1 - 2\frac{\frac{d\sigma}{dy}(pp \to W^{+} + W^{-})}{\frac{d\sigma}{dy}(pd \to W^{+} + W^{-})} \\ &= \frac{[u(x_{1}) - d(x_{1})][\bar{u}(x_{2}) - \bar{d}(x_{2})] + [\bar{u}(x_{1}) - \bar{d}(x_{1})][u(x_{2}) - d(x_{2})]}{[u(x_{1}) + d(x_{1})][\bar{u}(x_{2}) + \bar{d}(x_{2})] + [\bar{u}(x_{1}) + \bar{d}(x_{1})][u(x_{2}) + d(x_{2})]}. \end{split}$$

• At  $y^*=0$ ,  $x_1=x_2$  on has access to  $r_s=dbar(x)/ubar(x)$ 

$$R^{W}(y=0) = \frac{(1-r_{v})(1-r_{s})}{(1+r_{v})(1+r_{s})}$$

#### Questions/Outlook/ToDo

- Would be good to add up the event numbers for the electron and the muon channel weighted by the detection efficiencies!
- Do estimate the uncertainty on R<sup>w</sup>
  (a quick estimate gave a 30% relative uncertainty for R which would constrain the large-x sea)
- A reweighting analysis would be interesting
- Consider the effect of Fermi motion?

#### Drell Yan lepton pair production in pA

## Kinematical plan of DY in p-Xe



#### AFTER:

- Spectacular potential to improve the current state-of-the-art
- Different targets can be used (here Xe)

# Impact of DY pA data on nCTEQ15 NPDFs



#### FOM: Figures to be polished

# Questions/Outlook/ToDo

- FOM to be polished
- Repeat reweighting analysis with EPPS'I6 would be interesting

#### The large-x gluon at AFTER in pA

# RpA for non-prompt J/Psi and Y



Massacrier, Trecziak et al

- Projected statistical uncertainties after subtracting the bgd compared to typical nPDF uncertainties
- Next step: reweighting analysis on pseudo data

# Reweighting analysis using LHC5 data



# Reweighting analysis using LHC5 data



## Questions/Outlook/ToDo

- This is work in progress but looks promising
- Currently doing a reweighting analysis with D-meson and J/Psi data in pPb collisions at LHC5 (LHCb, ALICE, ...)

This constrains the gluon at small-x!

 Will use the same procedure with AFTER pseudo data for pA.

Need to validate this method for the AFTER kinematics (large-x! how important is the gg-channel?)

#### The large-x gluon at AFTER in pp

PROSA study O. Zenaiev et al, EPJC75(2015)396

- NLO QCD analysis of impact of data for heavy quark production in ep and pp collisions on PDFs
- Theory for heavy quark production in ep, pp: FFNS at NLO
- Data:
  - HERA: Inclusive DIS cross sections in ep
  - HERA: Heavy flavour production cross sections in ep
  - LHCb: Differential cross sections for c ( $D^0$ ,  $D^+$ ,  $D^{*+}$ ,  $D_s^+$ ,  $\Lambda_c$ ) and b ( $B^+$ ,  $B^0$ ,  $B_s^0$ ) production in pp at LHC7
- Result:

LHCb data impose constraints on low-x gluon and quark sea

# NLO QCD predictions for charm LHCb data



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# NLO QCD predictions for charm LHCb data



- Normalized cross sections w.r.t.  $d\sigma/dy$  in the bin 3 < y < 3.5
- Very small scale uncertainties now!
- Shape remains sensitive to gluon

#### Results for the gluon and the sea



### Questions/Outlook/ToDo

- Work to be done!
- The differential cross sections have very large scale uncertainties
- Use normalized cross sections (as in PROSA)  $R_y = (d\sigma^{Pb}/dy)/(d\sigma^{Pb}/dy(y_0))$
- Directly sensitive to nuclear gluon and sea PDF
- Advantage: a lot of experimental systematics cancel

# Questions/Outlook/ToDo

 Need careful comparison with state-of-theart extractions of the large-x gluon using t-tbar data to see whether AFTER can have an impact!

# Thank you

