Heavy Flavour Cross Sections Measurements

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$$\begin{array}{cccc} m_u \approx 3 & MeV \\ m_d \approx 5 & MeV \\ m_s \approx 100 & MeV \\ m_c \approx 1300 & MeV \\ m_b \approx 4200 & MeV \end{array}$$
 Flavours considered
$$\begin{array}{c} m_t \approx 170000 & MeV \\ m_t \approx 170000 & MeV \end{array}$$
 too heavy

The leading-order process for the production of heavy quark Q of mass m in hadron collisions:

 $\begin{array}{ll} (a) & q(p_1) + \overline{q}(p_2) \to Q(p_3) + \overline{Q}(p_4) \\ (b) & g(p_1) + g(p_2) \to Q(p_3) + \overline{Q}(p_4) \end{array}$

Where the four momenta of the partons are given in brackets. The Feynman diagrams are:



The invariant matrix elements squared averaged over initial and final coulor and spin

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline \mathsf{Process} & \overline{\Sigma} |\mathcal{M}|^2 / g^4 \\ \hline q \ \overline{q} \to Q \ \overline{Q} & \frac{4}{9} \Big(\tau_1^2 + \tau_2^2 + \frac{\rho}{2} \Big) \\ \hline g \ g \to Q \ \overline{Q} & \Big(\frac{1}{6\tau_1 \tau_2} - \frac{3}{8} \Big) \Big(\tau_1^2 + \tau_2^2 + \rho - \frac{\rho^2}{4\tau_1 \tau_2} \Big) \end{array}$$

Where it has been introduced the notation:

$$\tau_1 = \frac{2p_1 \cdot p_3}{\hat{s}}, \ \tau_2 = \frac{2p_2 \cdot p_3}{\hat{s}}, \ \rho = \frac{4m^2}{\hat{s}}, \ \hat{s} = (p_1 + p_2)^2$$

The short-distance cross section is obtained from the invariant matrix element:

$$d\hat{\sigma}_{ij} = \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} \frac{d^3 p_3}{(2\pi)^3 2E_3} \frac{d^3 p_4}{(2\pi)^3 2E_4} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 (p_1 + p_2 - p_3 - p_4) \overline{\sum} |\mathcal{M}_{ij}|^2.$$

In terms of rapidity $y = \frac{1}{2} \ln((E + p_z)/(E - p_z))$ and of transverse momentum P_T the relativistically invariant space volume element of the final state heavy quark:

$$\frac{d^3p}{E} = dy \ d^2p_T$$

The invariant cross section may be written at LO:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_3 dy_4 d^2 p_T} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2 \hat{s}^2} \sum_{ij} x_1 f_i(x_1, \mu^2) x_2 f_j(x_2, \mu^2) \overline{\sum} |\mathcal{M}_{ij}|^2$$

 x_1 and x_2 are fixed if transverse momenta and rapidity of the outgoing heavy quarks are known. In the CM of the incoming hadrons we can write

$$p_{1} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{s}(x_{1}, 0, 0, x_{1})$$

$$p_{2} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{s}(x_{2}, 0, 0, -x_{2})$$

$$p_{3} = (m_{T} \cosh y_{3}, p_{T}, 0, m_{T} \sinh y_{3})$$

$$p_{4} = (m_{T} \cosh y_{4}, -p_{T}, 0, m_{T} \sinh y_{4})$$

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Applying the energy and momentum conservation

$$x_{1} = \frac{m_{T}}{\sqrt{s}} (e^{y_{3}} + e^{y_{4}})$$

$$x_{2} = \frac{m_{T}}{\sqrt{s}} (e^{-y_{3}} + e^{-y_{4}})$$

$$\hat{s} = 2m_{T}^{2} (1 + \cosh \Delta y).$$

$$m_{T} = \sqrt{m^{2} + p_{T}^{2}}$$

With this notation the matrix elements

$$\overline{\sum} |\mathcal{M}_{q\overline{q}}|^2 = \frac{4g^4}{9} \Big(\frac{1}{1 + \cosh(\Delta y)} \Big) \Big(\cosh(\Delta y) + \frac{m^2}{m_T^2} \Big) \,, \quad \textbf{~~costant}$$

$$\overline{\sum} |\mathcal{M}_{gg}|^2 = \frac{g^4}{24} \Big(\frac{8\cosh(\Delta y) - 1}{1 + \cosh(\Delta y)} \Big) \Big(\cosh(\Delta y) + 2\frac{m^2}{m_T^2} - 2\frac{m^4}{m_T^4} \Big) \sim \exp(-\Delta y)$$

Low contribution at high Δy and dominant contribution for $\Delta y < 1$ Heavy quarks produced by light quark are more correlated in rapidity respect to those produced by gluon-gluon fusion.

Applicability of Perturbation Theory

The propagators in the diagrams:

 $(p_1 + p_2)^2 = 2p_1 p_2 = 2m_T^2 (1 + \cosh \Delta y) ,$ $(p_1 - p_3)^2 - m^2 = -2p_1 p_3 = -m_T^2 (1 + e^{-\Delta y}) ,$ $(p_2 - p_3)^2 - m^2 = -2p_2 p_3 = -m_T^2 (1 + e^{\Delta y}) .$

Are off-shell by a quantity of the order of m^2 so the perturbation theory should be applicable.

This is valid until the mass m is larger of Λ_{QCD} .

The question is if the bottom and charm mass are large enough.

At NLO, $O(\alpha_s^3)$, the production cross section of the heavy flavor quark of mass m: $\sigma(S) = \sum_{i,j} \int dx_1 dx_2 \ \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(x_1 x_2 S, m^2, \mu^2) F_i(x_1, \mu^2) F_j(x_2, \mu^2)$

Where $\hat{\sigma}_{i,j}(\hat{s}, m^2, \mu^2) = \sigma_0 c_{ij}(\hat{\rho}, \mu^2)$ $\hat{\rho} = 4m^2/\hat{s}, \bar{\mu}^2 = \mu^2/m^2, \sigma_0 = \alpha_S^2(\mu^2)/m^2$

Examples of higher order diagrams



Real emission diagrams



Virtual emission diagrams

There are several dependences.

1) Scale, µ:

- PDF following the DGLAP equations
- running coupling constant
- short-distance cross section: if we perform a calculation to $O(\alpha_s^3)$, the variation of the scale contributes: $\mu^2 \frac{d}{d\mu^2} \sigma = O(\alpha_S^4)$.

The above variations combine in a such a way that the scale dependence is formally small because of higher order in α_s (α_s^4) This does not guarantee that the numerical value of the cross section is smaller for higher series when varying the scale.



LO cross section is almost scale independent because of α_s behavior and increased gluon distribution with μ NLO is almost 2xLO \rightarrow large uncertainties on the cross section

2) Heavy quark mass m :

1.2 < m_c < 1.8 GeV

 $4.5 < m_{b} < 5.0 GeV$

- explicit dependence on $1/m^2$ in the short-distance cross section
- PDF, as m decreases the x value at which the PDF are calculated become smaller and the cross section increases because the parton flux increase
- α_s depends on the the scale μ and $\Lambda \quad \alpha_s(\mu^2) = \frac{1}{b_0 \ln(\frac{\mu^2}{\Lambda^2})}$ if we take m/2 < μ <2m we have problems $b_0 \ln(\frac{\mu^2}{\Lambda^2})$ with the charm because we arrive at μ < 1 GeV where the perturbation theory is not valid \rightarrow for charm the lower limit for $\mu = 2m_c$

Heavy Quarks Fragmentation

Heavy quarks after the production fragment in hadrons. The model is different of those used for light quarks the attachment of a light quark to and heavy one Q produce a small deceleration of the heavy quark Q.



Heavy Quarks Fragmentation

An heavy quark Q of momentum P generates a hadron H=Qq of momentum zP. To model this process the energy difference before and after the fragmentation is needed

$$\Delta E = E_Q - E_H - E_q = \sqrt{m_Q^2 + P^2} - \sqrt{m_H^2 + z^2 P^2} - \sqrt{m_q^2 + (1 - z)^2 P^2}$$

$$\approx \frac{m_Q^2}{2P} \left[1 - \frac{1}{z} - \frac{\epsilon_Q}{1 - z} \right] \quad \text{with} \quad \epsilon_Q = \frac{m_q^2}{m_Q^2} \quad \text{and} \quad m_H = m_Q$$

The transition amplitude $T \sim \frac{1}{\Delta E}$ squaring the amplitude and including a factor 1/z for phase space we obtain the Peterson function for the heavy quark fragmentation

$$D_Q^H(z) = \frac{N_H}{z} \left[1 - \frac{1}{z} - \frac{\epsilon_Q}{1 - z} \right]^{-2}$$

 N_{H} is a normalization factor $\sum \int dz D_{Q}^{H}(z) = 1$

Heavy Quarks Fragmentation



$$\equiv_Q = \frac{m_q^2}{m_Q^2}$$

is determined by the ratio of quark masses but it is treated as parameter and the best value is obtained from data.

b and c Meson Decay



Several different decay modes of the b meson based on the spectator Model where the light quark does not participate.

B can be selected based on:

- lepton (e, μ): B \rightarrow lvD
- D meson: $B \rightarrow D\pi$
- J/ψ : $B \rightarrow J/\psi K$

c Meson Decay



Similar diagram governs the charm decay. The procedure to identify charm meson are:

- lepton (e,µ): $D \rightarrow lvK(\pi)$
- K meson: $D \rightarrow K(n)\pi$

b Meson Cross Sections Measurements

The procedure to measure the cross section is simple.

$$\sigma = \frac{N_{Data} - N_{Background}}{Acc \int Ldt}$$

B-mesons are selected exploiting the decay channels. The selection procedure depends on the decay channel as the background evaluation. Examples:



b Meson Cross Sections History

Until 2002 data and theory had a discrepancy, the measured cross section was higher of about factor 3 New Physics?



b Meson Cross Sections Measurements

A lot of work done by the experiments to improve the measurements. A lot of work done by theoreticians to improve the theory: M.Cacciari and P.Nason, PRL 89, 122003 (2002)

new calculation of the cross section to include corrections (instead of NLO NLL) at high order

- new tuning of the fragmentation function D(z)
- new PDF

The purpose of this Letter is precisely to implement correctly the effect of heavy quark fragmentation in the QCD calculation. Several ingredients are necessary in order to do this: (i) A calculation with resummation of large transverse momentum logarithms at the next-toleading level (NLL) should be used for heavy quark production [21], in order to correctly account for scaling violation in the fragmentation function. (ii) A formalism for merging the NLL resummed results with the NLO fixed order calculation (FO) should be used, in order to account properly for mass effects [22]. This calculation will be called FONLL in the following. (iii) A NLL formalism should be used to extract the nonperturbative fragmentation effects from e^+e^- data [23–29].



FIG. 4 (color online). The effect of the different ingredients in the calculation presented in this work, normalized to a fixed order calculation with Peterson fragmentation and $\epsilon = 0.006$. Dashed line: FO, $\epsilon = 0.002$; dotted line: FONLL, $\epsilon = 0.002$; solid line: FONLL, N = 2 fit.

b Meson Cross Sections Measurements



Correlated b-b Cross Section Measurements

b-quark can be identified in jets by using inclusive selections. This allow to reconstruct events with 2 b-jets.

b-b cross section measurement allow to test high order theoretical contributions



LO produced almost back-to-back

Fitting the cross section as function of the angular separation allow to determine the relative contribution of each process

• $\Delta \Phi$ between 2 b-jets

Correlated b-b Cross Section Measurements

Tevatron:

 $2\ \mu$ are required then their impact parameter distribution is fitted to extract c and b components



Correlated b-b Cross Section Measurements

LHC:

ATLAS and CMS identify jets with b exploiting the long b lifetime

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B-tagging: 2 or 3 tracks displaced from the primary vertex the decay length L_{xy} compatible

with the distance traveled by the b-hadron.





bb dijet mass [GeV]

Inclusive charm cross section

Identify only one c-meson and measure the cross section with the same procedure described for b-mesons.

Theory predictions have larger uncertainties than the b-meson cross Section.

Charm meson cross section measured in several experiments, fixed target and at collider.



Inclusive charm cross section

Also in this case a lot of work done by theoreticians Charm cross sections for the Tevatron Run II Journal of High Energy Physics Volume 2003 JHEP09(2003)

- Use the same framework of the b-meson
- Build new fragmentation functions non-perturbative using data; Ex. $F(c \rightarrow D^0) = F_p(c \rightarrow D^0) + F(c \rightarrow D^{*+}) \otimes F(D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0) + F(c \rightarrow D^{*0}) \otimes F(D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0)$ $F(c \rightarrow D^0)$ = directly produced D⁰ fragmentation function $F(c \rightarrow D^{0^*})$ = fragmentation function of D^{0*} that then decay to D⁰ $F(c \rightarrow D^{**})$ = fragmentation function of D^{**} that then decay to D⁰



Inclusive charm cross section

Now at LHCb



Charm Correlated Cross Sections Measurements



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Charm Correlated Cross Sections Measurements



- Identify the 2 D meson
- Correct for D coming from
 b-hadron
- Evaluated the efficiencies



