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Factorization of Heavy Quarkonium Production

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Good probes for a dense medium

□ Basic requirements:

- ❖ Cleanly measurable experimentally
- ❖ Reliably calculable theoretically

□ Necessary conditions:

- ❖ Sensitive to the scales and properties of strong interacting matter – low momentum scale (a few hundred MeV)
- ❖ Large momentum transfer to ensure pQCD calculation
→ a hard probe sensitive to low momentum physics

□ Potentially good probes:

- ❖ Have two observed scales (one hard and one soft)
- ❖ Have one observed hard scale and a steeply falling distribution

Quarkonium could be a good probe

□ It has **two** intrinsic scales:

❖ Heavy quark mass:

Heavy quark pairs are produced at a distance scale much less than **fm**

$$\Delta r \sim \frac{1}{2m_Q} \leq 0.1 \text{ fm (for a charm-quark pair)}$$
$$\leq 0.025 \text{ fm (for a b-quark pair)}$$

PQCD is expected to work for the production of heavy quarks

❖ Quarkonium binding energy:

$$\frac{|M^2 - 4m_Q^2|}{4m_Q^2} \ll 1 \quad \text{for both charm and bottom quarkonia}$$

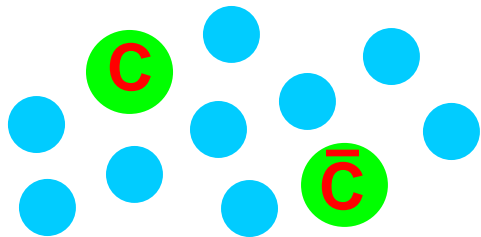
The transition from a heavy quark pair to a quarkonium should be sensitive to the soft physics

J/ψ Suppression in QGP

- Heavy quarkonium provides a non-relativistic system, potentially, very similar to a QED bound state

Charm: $\frac{v^2}{c^2} \sim \frac{k_Q^2}{m_Q^2} \sim \frac{|M^2 - 4m_c^2|}{4m_c^2} \sim 0.3$ Bottom: $\frac{v^2}{c^2} \sim 0.1$

- Color screening in QGP suppresses the formation of J/ψ



Potential: $V_{Q\bar{Q}}(r) \Rightarrow V_{Q\bar{Q}}(r, T)$

Wave function: $\Phi_{Q\bar{Q}}(r) \Rightarrow \Phi_{Q\bar{Q}}(r, T)$

J/ψ formation rate $\propto |\Phi_{Q\bar{Q}}(r, T)|^2$

J/ψ suppression ↔ medium properties

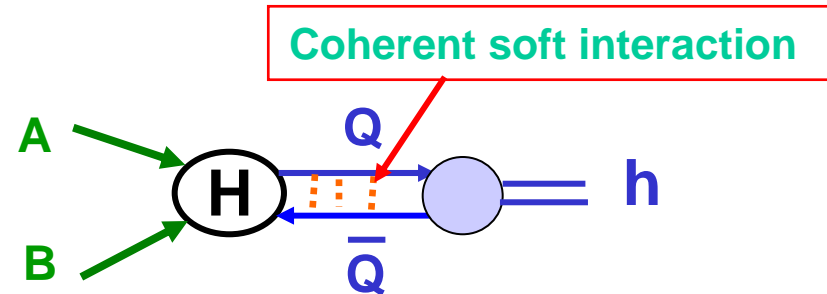
Matsui & Satz
(1986)

- Calibration:

Do we understand the production mechanism of J/ψ well enough to extract the information on QGP?

The basic production mechanism

□ Quarkonium production:



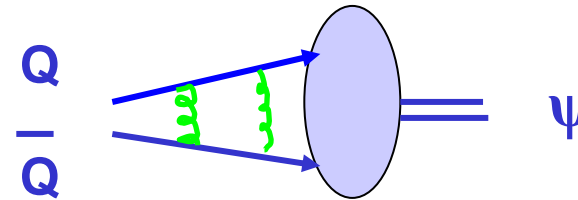
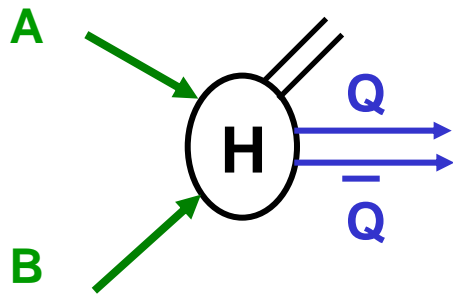
$$\sigma_{AB \rightarrow h} = \sum_{states} \int d\Gamma_{Q\bar{Q}} \frac{d\sigma_{AB \rightarrow states(Q\bar{Q})}}{d\Gamma_{Q\bar{Q}}} F_{states(Q\bar{Q}) \rightarrow h} (p_Q, p_{\bar{Q}}, p_h)$$

Production of a heavy quark pair, and followed by the formation of a quarkonium via coherent soft interactions between the pair

□ Production models:

Different models \Leftrightarrow Different assumptions/treatments to the non-perturbative transition from the $Q\bar{Q}$ pair to a quarkonium

Color singlet model



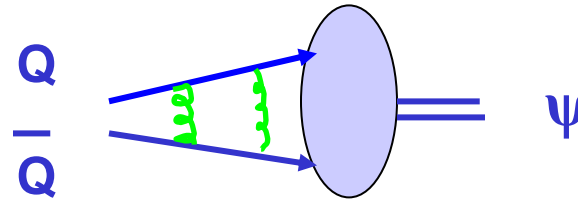
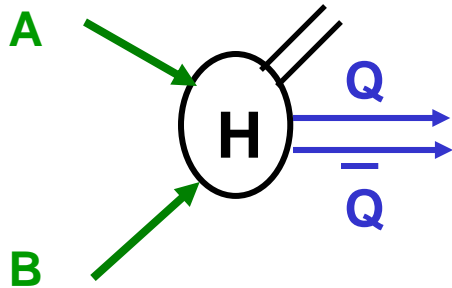
Einhorn and Ellis (1975), ...

- ❖ color singlet pair
- ❖ right quantum numbers for the quarkonium
- ❖ same wave function for production and decay
- ❖ absolutely normalized predictions
- ❖ predictions on polarization
- ❖ quantum interference between production and formation suppressed

$$\sigma_{AB \rightarrow \psi} \propto \sigma_{AB \rightarrow (Q\bar{Q})} \left| R_{\psi}(0) \right|^2$$

Works well for J/ψ production in photo-production and others
But, one order of magnitude too small for CDF data, ...

Color Evaporation Model



Fritsch (1978); Halzen; ...

- ❖ all pairs with invariant mass less than open flavor threshold
- ❖ color and spin average
- ❖ a single constant for non-perturbative formation
- ❖ one constant for one quarkonium state

$$\sigma_{AB \rightarrow \psi} = f_{\psi} \int dm_{Q\bar{Q}}^2 \frac{d\sigma_{AB \rightarrow (Q\bar{Q})}}{dm_{Q\bar{Q}}^2}$$

**Works well for total cross sections, not perfect for distributions,
Predicts zero polarization for quarkonium production**

Non-relativistic QCD (NRQCD) model

Bodwin, Braaten, Lapage (1985); ...

□ All colored and uncolored pre- J/ψ heavy quark states can become color singlet J/ψ mesons

□ Production rate of J/ψ is factorized

$$\sigma_{AB \rightarrow J/\psi} (M_{J/\psi}) \approx \sum_{[O]} \sigma_{AB \rightarrow [O]} (m_{c\bar{c}}^2 = M_{J/\psi}) \langle O_{J/\psi}(0) \rangle$$

□ Quantum states $[O]$ separated by **spin** and **color**

□ Transition probability is proportional to non-perturbative, but, **universal local** matrix elements

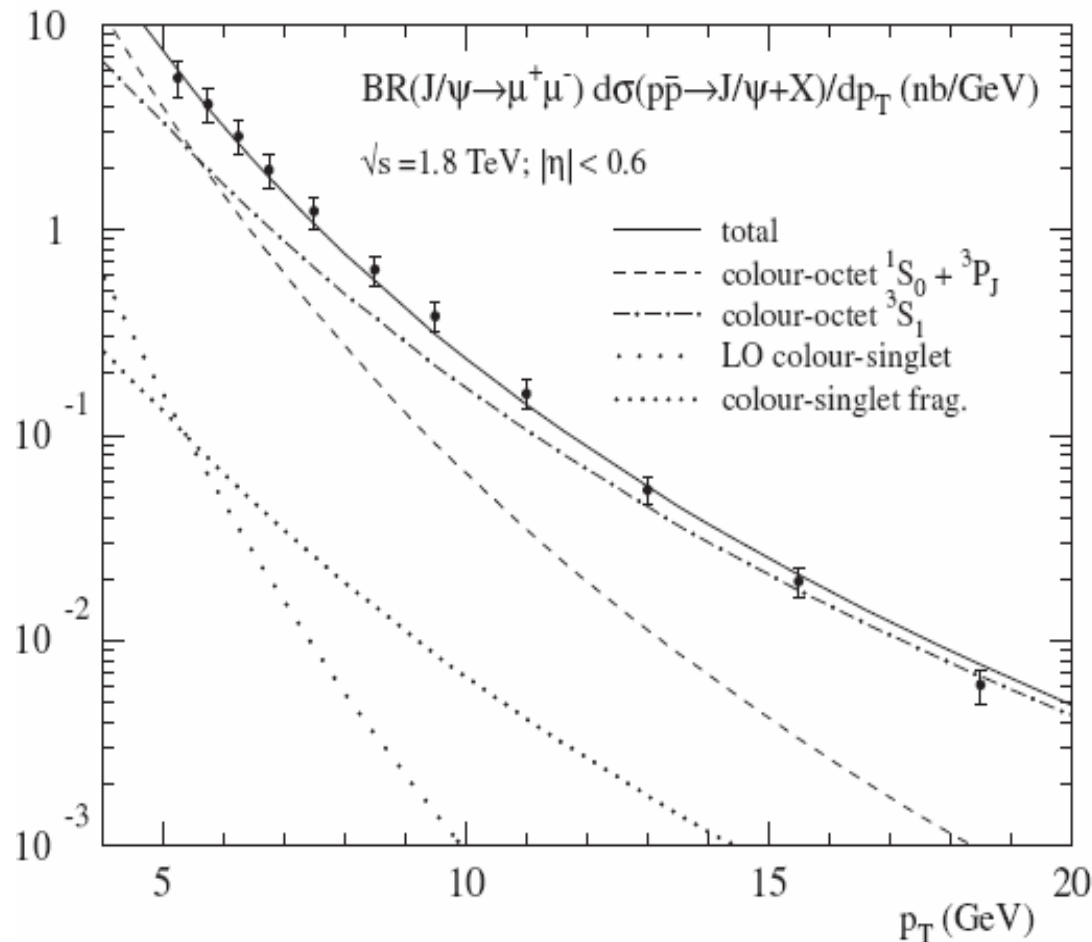
□ Approximations/assumptions:

❖ velocity expansion – $\langle p_Q - p_{\bar{Q}} \rangle \ll 2m_Q$

❖ factorization – not proved

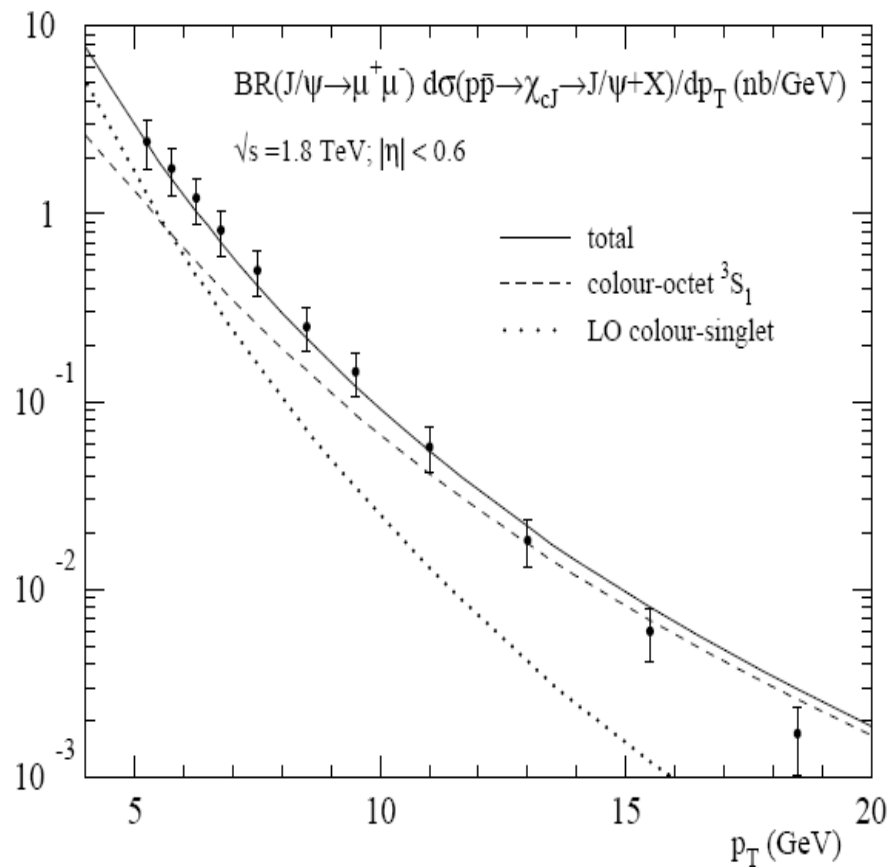
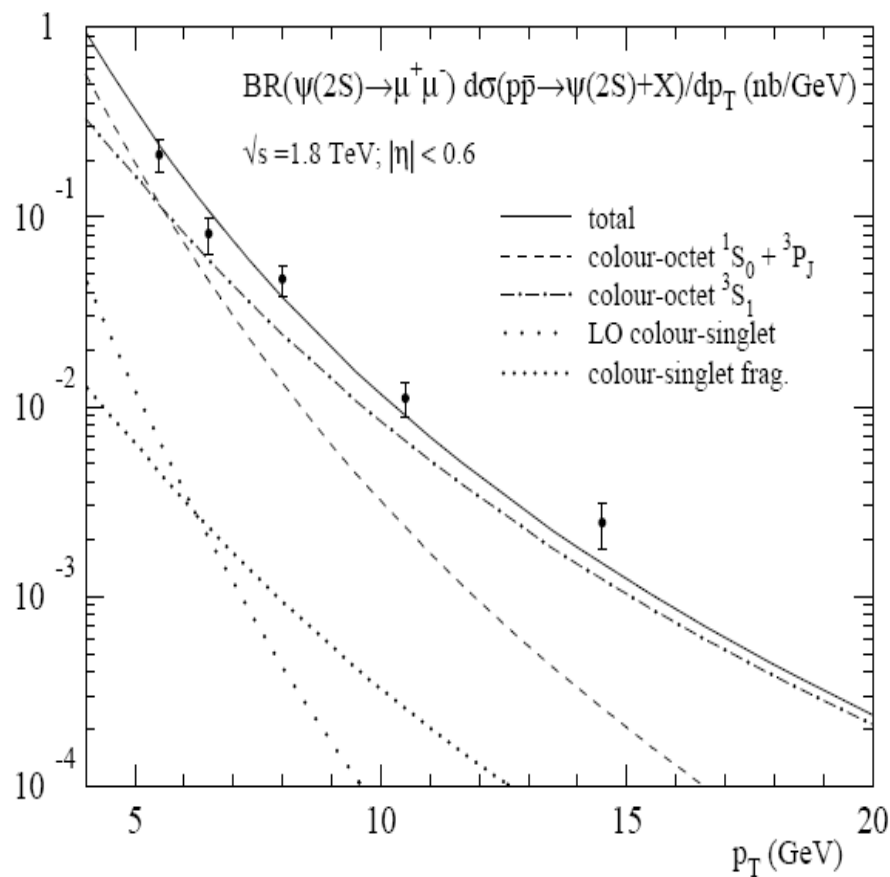
Successes of the production models

□ Tevatron data for J/ψ production



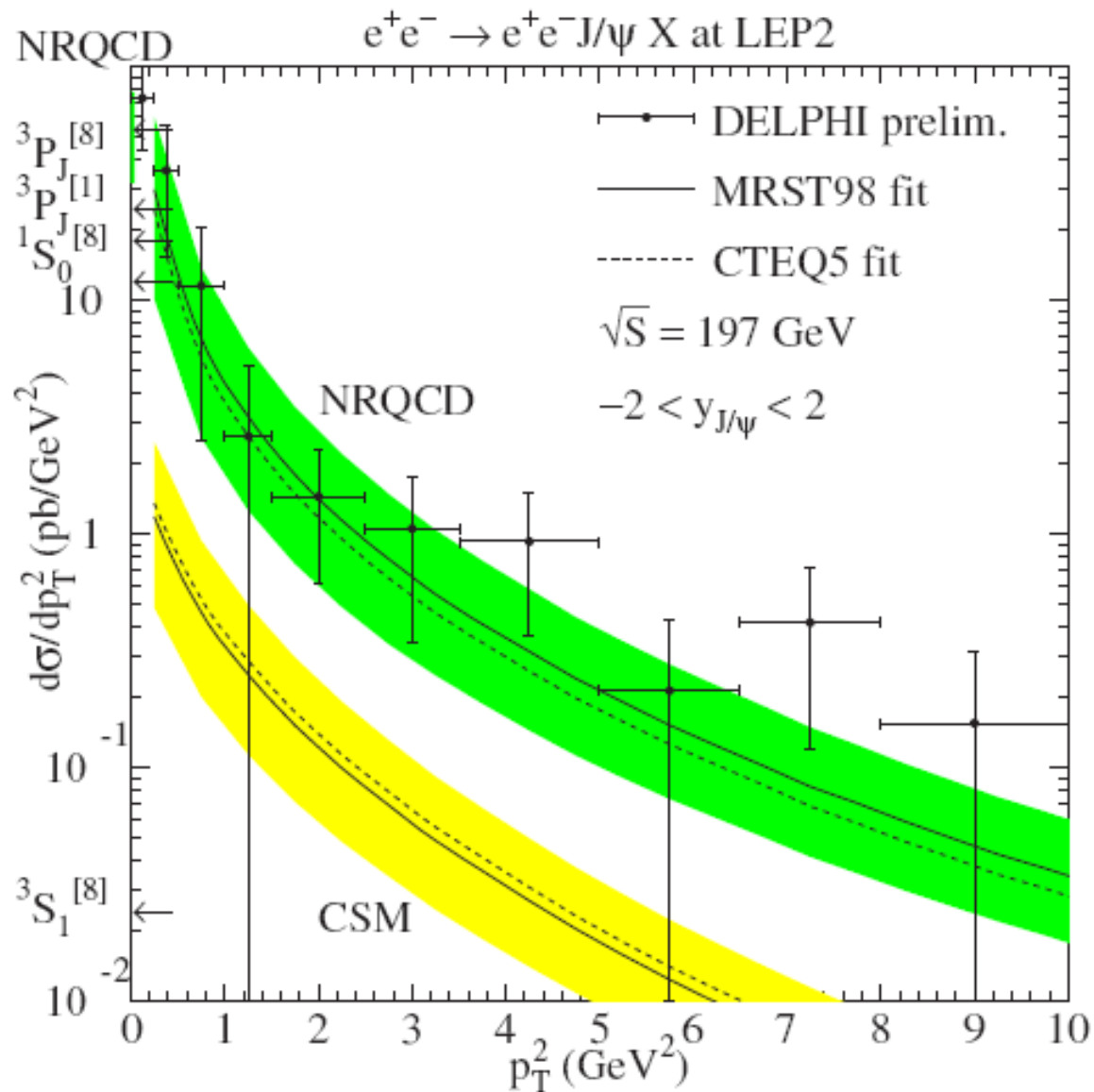
- ❖ Data is not consistent with color singlet model
- ❖ Data is consistent with NRQCD, with matrix elements fixed by the data
- ❖ CEM predicts a similar p_T distribution

Other states as well:



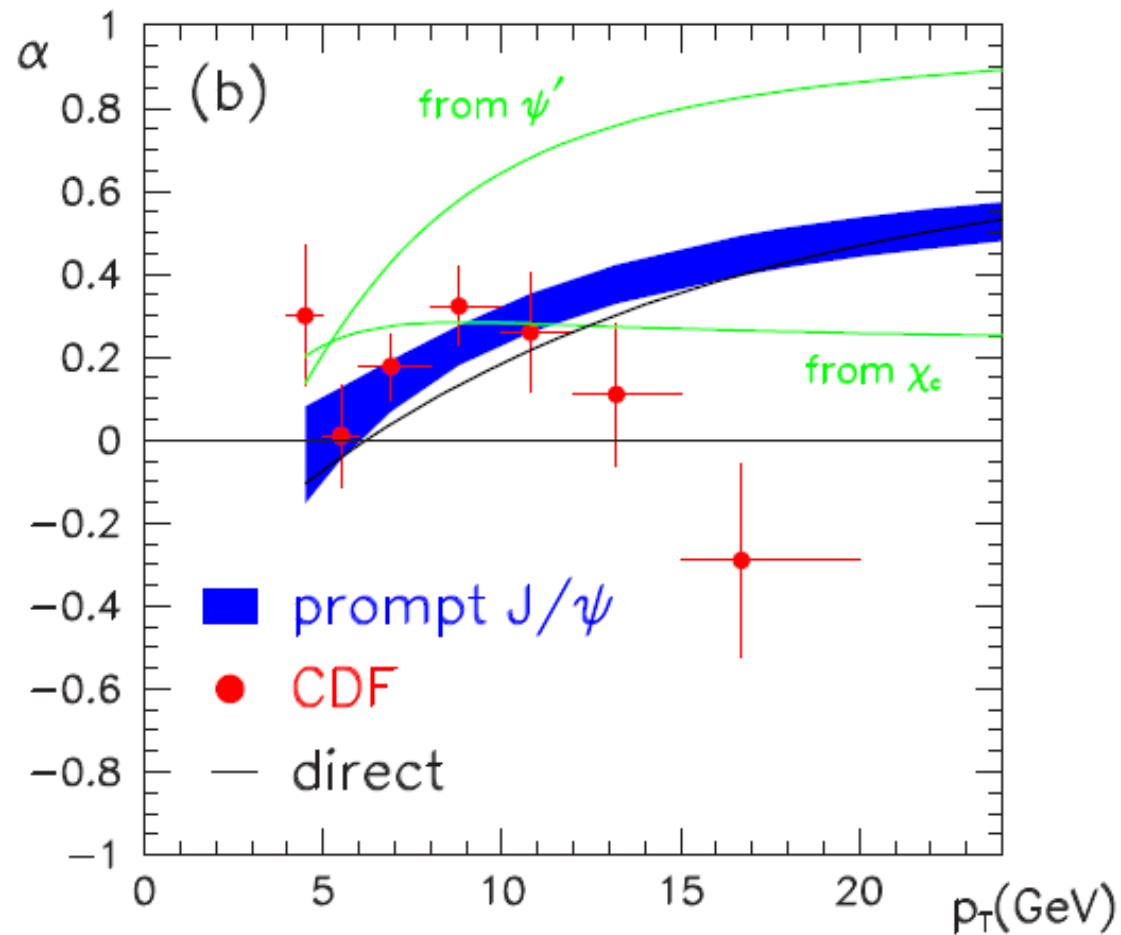
E. Braaten et al. Annu. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 46, 197 (1996)

□ LEP data on J/ψ photo-production: $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow J/\psi + X$

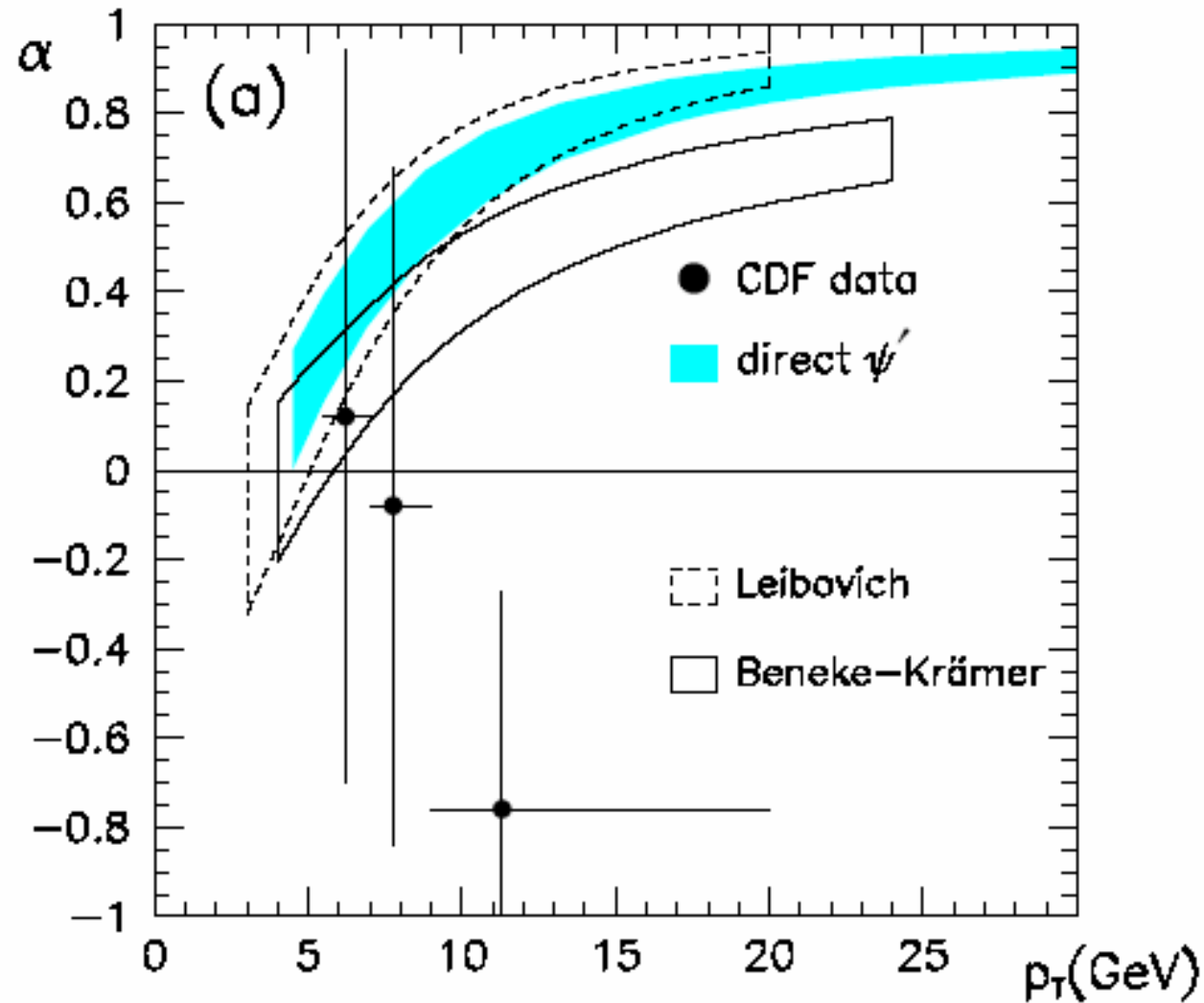


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Surprises – experimentally

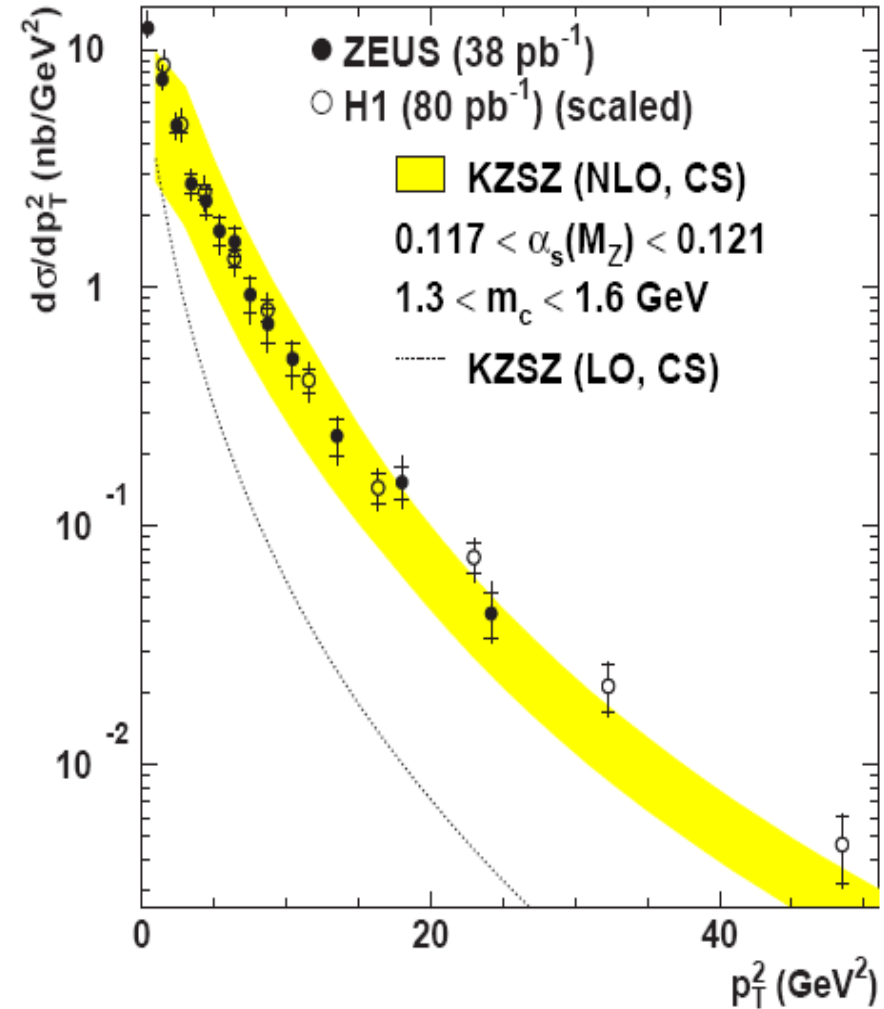
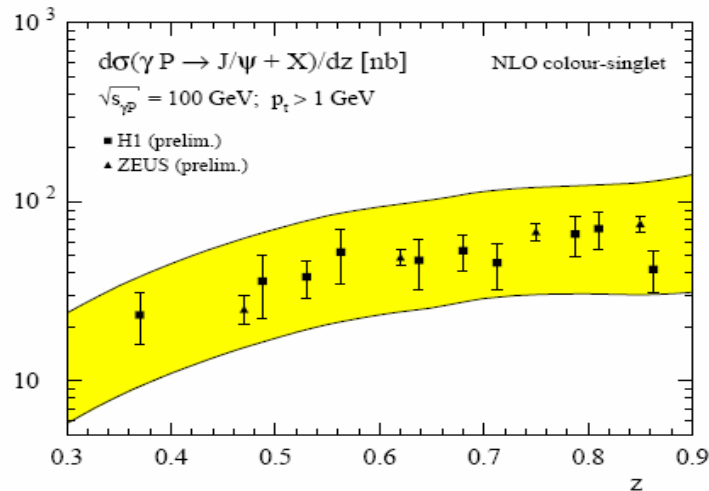
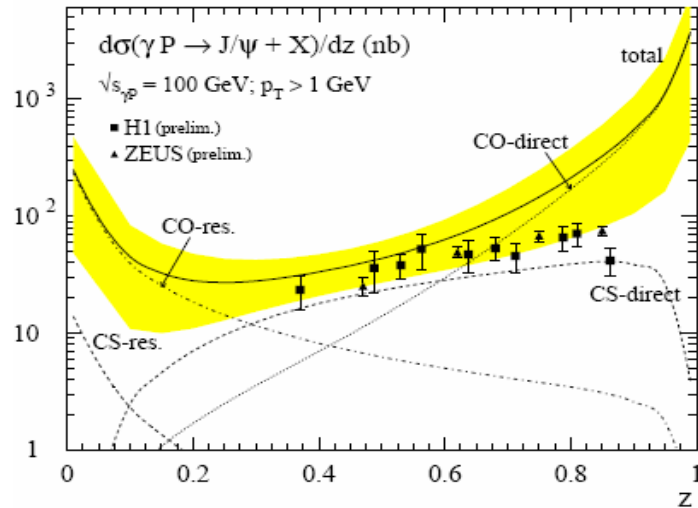


- ψ' polarization as a function of p_T :



E. Braaten et al. Phys. Rev. D62, 094005 (2000)

Inelastic Quarkonium Photoproduction at HERA



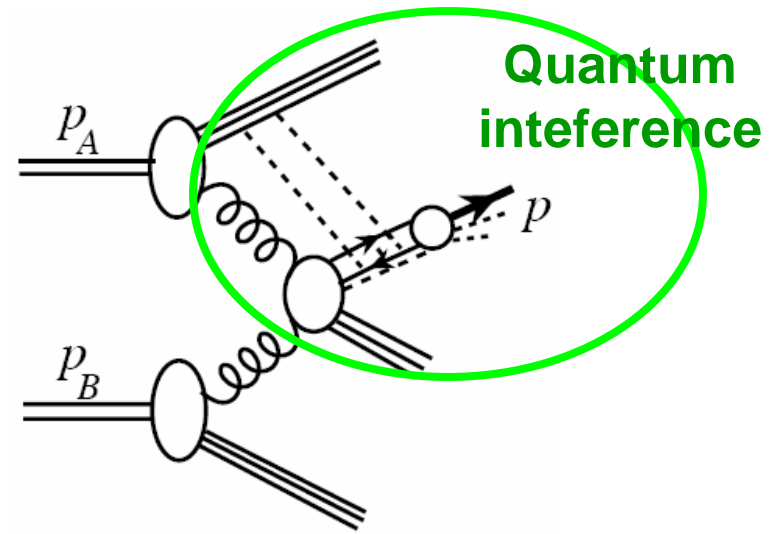
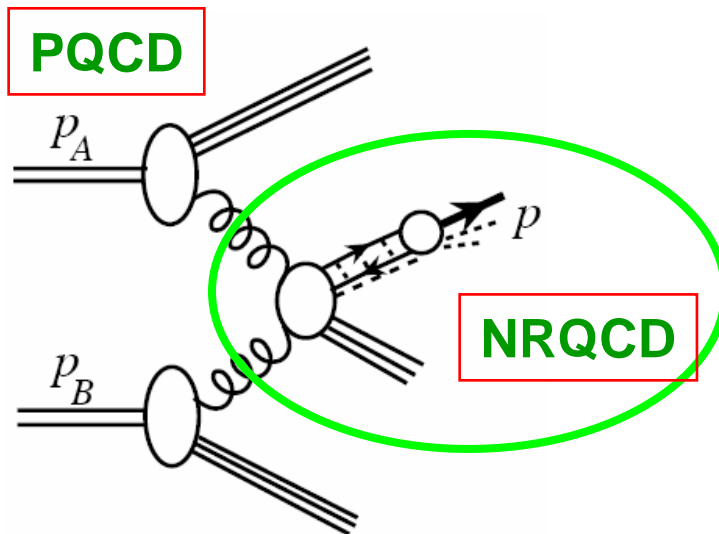
No room for color-octet contribution – universality?

QWG's report

Surprises – theoretically

❑ None of the factorized production models, including NRQCD model, were proved theoretically

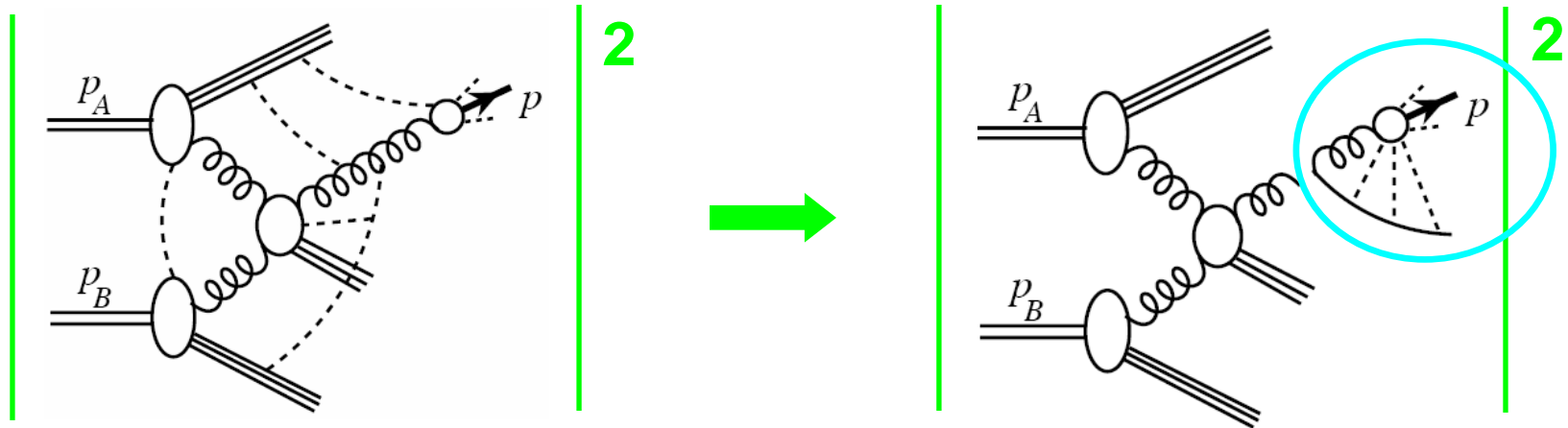
❑ Factorization of NRQCD model clearly fails for **low p_T**



❑ Factorization of NRQCD model might work for **large p_T**

Spectator interactions are suppressed by $(1/p_T)^n$

□ Factorization of single hadron inclusive at large p_T



$$d\sigma_{A+B \rightarrow H+X}(p_T) = \sum_i d\tilde{\sigma}_{A+B \rightarrow i+X}(p_T/z, \mu) \otimes D_{H/i}(z, m_c, \mu) + \mathcal{O}(m_H^2/p_T^2)$$

Prove NRQCD Factorization,

$$d\sigma_{A+B \rightarrow H+X}(p_T) = \sum_n d\hat{\sigma}_{A+B \rightarrow c\bar{c}[n]+X}(p_T) \langle \mathcal{O}_n^H \rangle$$



To prove:

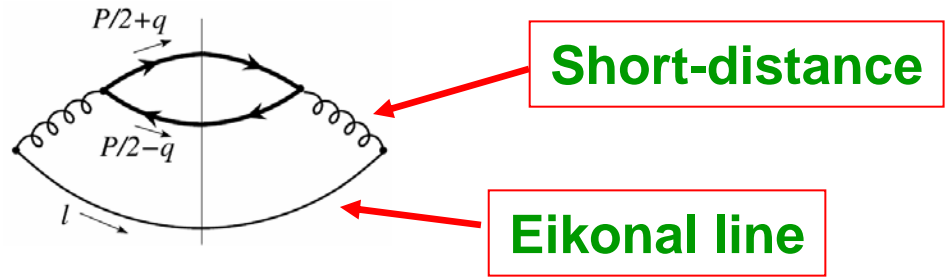
$$D_{H/i}(z, m_c, \mu) = \sum_n d_{i \rightarrow c\bar{c}[n]}(z, \mu, m_c) \langle \mathcal{O}_n^H \rangle$$

Divergences in $\langle \mathcal{O}_n^H \rangle$ cancels divergences in $D_{H/i}(z, m_c, \mu)$

□ Breakdown of NRQCD factorization at v^2 at NNLO:

Nayak, Qiu, Sterman, 2005

LO:



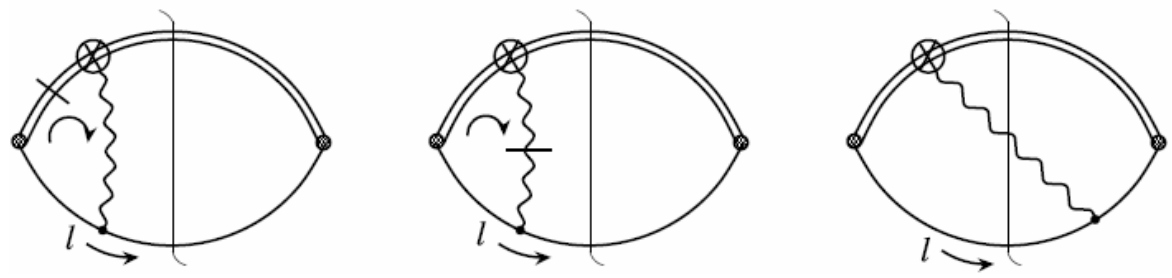
$$n=[Q\bar{Q}]_{\text{singlet}}$$

NLO:

$$= \frac{16}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{\vec{q}^2}{P^2} \frac{1}{-\epsilon} + \dots$$

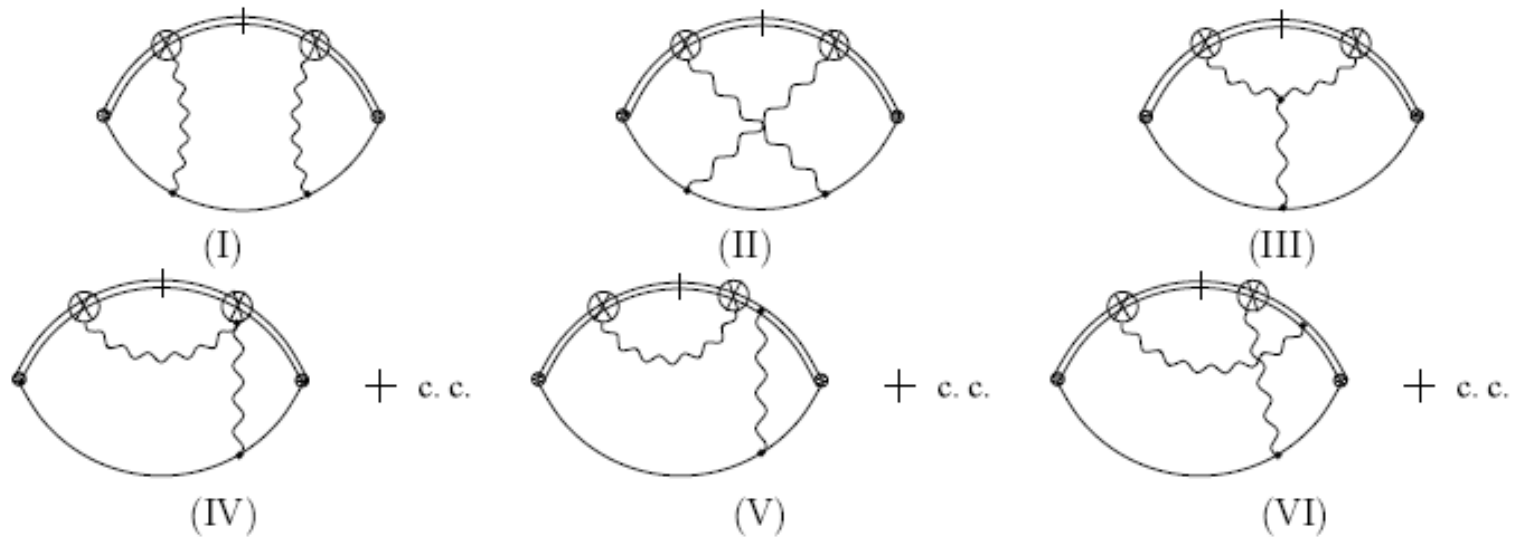
Topologically-factorized
→ the matrix element $\langle O_n^H \rangle$

Color neutralization is IR divergent – nonperturbative!

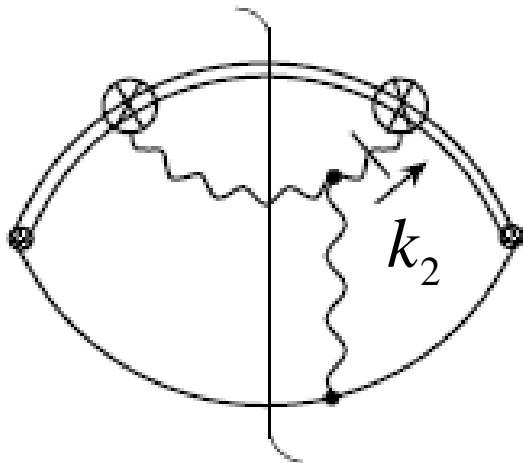


IR divergences cancel between real and virtual diagrams

NNLO:



All IR divergences cancel between real and virtual diagrams, except



$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \operatorname{Re} III A^{(k_2^0 \text{ pole})}(q) &= -\alpha_s^2 \frac{1}{3\epsilon} \vec{q}^2 \\
 &= -\alpha_s^2 \frac{1}{3\epsilon} \frac{\vec{v}^2}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

**This non-topological IR divergence
Cannot be absorbed into the matrix
elements $\langle \mathcal{O}_n^H \rangle$**

Breakdown of NRQCD factorization

$$D_{H/i}(z, m_c, \mu) = \sum_n d_{i \rightarrow c\bar{c}[n]}(z, \mu, m_c) \langle \mathcal{O}_n^H \rangle$$

- This non-topological IR divergence has to appear in the coefficient function, $d_{i \rightarrow c\bar{c}[n]}(z, \mu, m_c)$



Breakdown of NRQCD factorization at v^2
and at NNLO in α_s

- The way out?

Try to modify the matrix elements so that they can absorb all IR divergences of the fragmentation function

Redefinition or Extension for NRQCD?

- NRQCD matrix elements of heavy quarkonium production are not gauge invariant

$$\mathcal{O}_n^H(0) = \chi^\dagger \mathcal{K}_n \psi(0) \left(a_H^\dagger a_H \right) \psi^\dagger \mathcal{K}'_n \chi(0)$$

$\mathcal{K}_n, \mathcal{K}'_n$: Product of color, spin, and covariant derivatives

Operator-valued gauge transformations do not always commute with $a_H^\dagger a_H$

- Add gauge links to the operator:

$$\mathcal{O}_n^H(0) \rightarrow \chi^\dagger \mathcal{K}_{n,c} \psi(0) \Phi_l^\dagger[0, A]_{cb} \left(a_H^\dagger a_H \right) \Phi_l[0, A]_{ba} \chi^\dagger \mathcal{K}'_{n,a} \psi(0)$$

The IR poles from the gauge links cancel the same IR poles in the fragmentation functions leave the coefficient functions IR safe at NNLO

$$D_{H/i}(z, m_c, \mu) = \sum_n d_{i \rightarrow c\bar{c}[n]}(z, \mu, m_c) \langle \mathcal{O}_n^H \rangle$$

Factorization beyond v^2 and NNLO

□ The IR pole $(1/\epsilon)v^2$ is independent of the **direction** of the gauge link (or Wilson line)

↔ the modified, gauge invariant matrix elements are universal at least to NNLO in α_s and v^2

□ Velocity expansion is not good for charmonium

❖ Large phase space available for gluon radiation:

$$Q^2 - 4M_c^2 \Rightarrow 4M_D^2 - 4M_c^2 \approx 6 \text{ GeV}^2$$

❖ Large possible velocity in production:

$$v_{\text{prod}} \sim \frac{|k_c|}{M_c} \sim \sqrt{\frac{4M_D^2 - 4M_c^2}{4M_c^2}} \sim 0.88$$

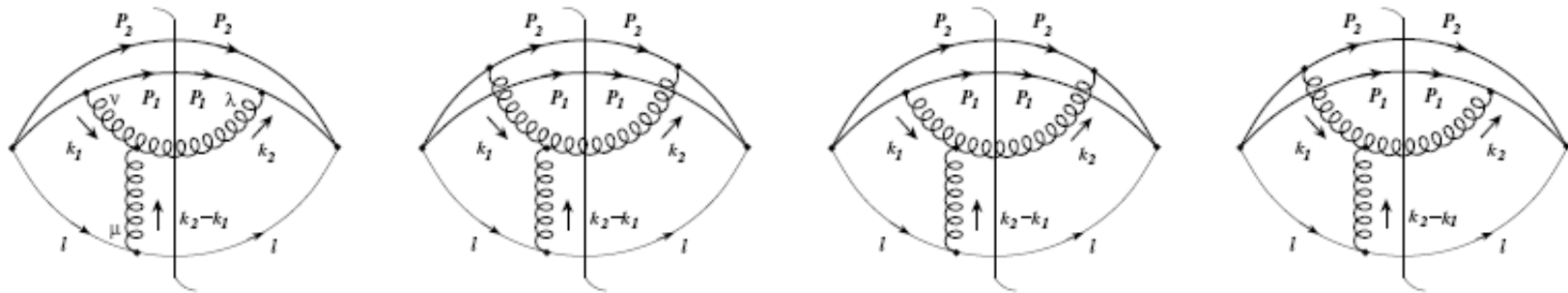
❖ Very different from decay:

$$v_{\text{decay}} \sim \sqrt{\frac{4M_{J/\psi}^2 - 4M_c^2}{4M_c^2}} \sim 0.48$$

Factorization at NNLO and all order in v^2

□ New result:

The IR poles at all orders of v -expansion at NNLO are independent of the **direction** of the eikonal line



□ Significance:

Factorization for producing a heavy quark pair with a **finite** invariant mass, at least at NNLO in α_s

$$D_{H/i}(z, m_c) = \sum_n d_{n/i}(z, m_c, Q) \otimes \langle O_n^H(Q) \rangle$$

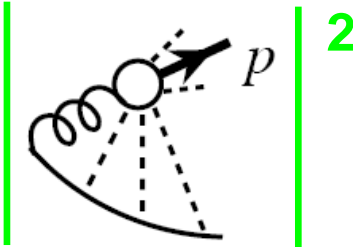
Recall: Collinear factorization vs. k_T factorization

Lessons from pQCD factorization

□ Predictive power of pQCD factorization:

- ❖ Infrared Safety of the short-distance part
- ❖ Universality of the parton distribution/fragmentation

□ Fragmentation function represents a probability for a virtual parton to evolve into an observed hadron plus everything

$$D_{g \rightarrow J/\psi}(z, m_c) \propto \left| \text{Diagram} \right|^2$$


Not equal to a square of hadron wave function

□ Formation of a heavy quarkonium from a pair of virtual heavy quarks – connection to the vacuum wave function? help of heavy quark mass?

J/ ψ suppression

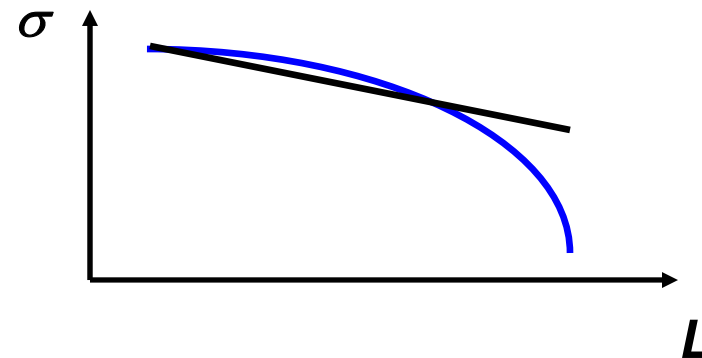
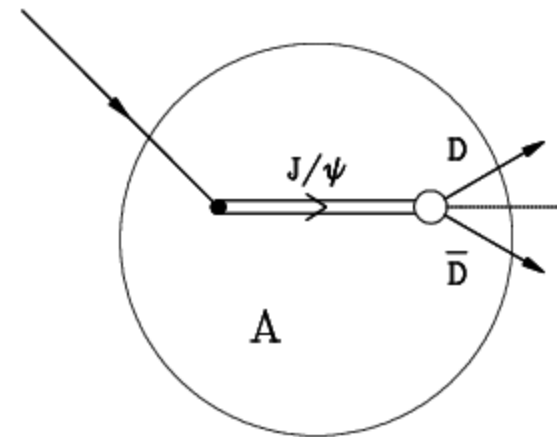
□ J/ ψ is unlikely to be formed at the same time when the heavy quark pair was produced

□ If J/ ψ were produced at the collision point:

Expect Glauber model to work with a constant J/ ψ – nucleon absorption

□ If J/ ψ were formed much later:

Effective cross section for breaking the coherence of a heavy quark pair may not be a constant



Qiu,vary,zhang (2003), Accardi,Kang,Qiu

Summary and outlook

- ❑ Heavy quarkonium provides a “non-relativistic” system, and could offer some important perspectives to the formation of QCD bound states
- ❑ Heavy quarkonium has two intrinsic scales, and could be a good probe of QGP or other dense medium
- ❑ But, after 30 years, since the discovery of J/ψ , we still have not been able to fully understand the production mechanism of heavy quarkonia
- ❑ None of the factorized production models, including NRQCD model, were proved theoretically
- ❑ RHIC is offering an excellent opportunity to learn and examine the formation of QCD bound states – nuclear matter could be an effective filter to distinguish the production models.

Backup slices