### Pair production of D-mesons at small and large transverse momenta

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### Introduction

- D-meson production as a tool to study gluon PDF in a proton
- At the  $p_T >> m_D$ , the CPM is well used and Collinear PDFs can be extracted in principle.
- ► At the p<sub>T</sub> << m<sub>D</sub>, the TMD factorization can't be used correctly in case of single D-meson production instead of DD̄-pair production.
- > Phenomenological matching may be used for region  $p_T \sim m_D$ ,  $p_T = |\vec{p}_{TD} + \vec{p}_{T\bar{D}}|$ .
- ▶ Hadronization approaches: Fragmentation  $(p_T >> m_D)$ , Fusion  $(p_T \sim m_D)$  and Recombination  $(p_T << m_D)$ .
- To test our predictions, we will do comparison with data for DD-pair production at the LHCb. There are no another data for DD or DD-pair production.
- Future measurement for DD-pair production cross section at the SPD NICA my be unique and more informative compared with the single D-meson production.



### CPM, TMD and high-energy factorizations

- ► CPM:  $\sigma(pp \to D\bar{D}) = \sum_{i,j} f_i(x_1, \mu) \otimes \hat{\sigma}(ij \to D\bar{D}) \otimes f_j(x_2, \mu)$ ,  $p_{DT} >> m_D$ , DGLAP evolution for  $f(x, \mu)$
- ► TMD PM:  $\sigma(pp \to D\bar{D}) = \sum_{i,j} \Phi_i(x_1, q_{T1}, \zeta_1, \mu) \otimes \hat{\sigma}(ij \to D\bar{D}) \otimes \Phi_i(x_2, q_{T2}, \zeta_2, \mu),$  $p_T = |\vec{p}_{TD} + \vec{p}_{T\bar{D}}|, p_T >> m_D$ , CSS evolution for  $\hat{\Phi}_i(x_1, b_T, \zeta_1, \mu)$
- ► HEF (parton Reggeization approach):  $\sigma(pp \to D\bar{D}) = \sum_{i,j} F_i(x_1, q_{T1}, \mu) \otimes \hat{\sigma}(ij \to D\bar{D}) \otimes \Phi_i(x_2, q_{T2}, \mu), \text{ model dependent } \Phi_i(x, q_T, \mu),$ modified KMRW model [Nefedov, Saleev, 2020]. HEF smoothly interpolates predictions between small and large  $p_T$  and coinsides with CSS approach at  $p_T < < m_D$ .



## Fragmentation, fusion and recombination approaches





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### Fragmentation model, $p_T >> m_D$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_{TD}} = \int \frac{dz}{z} D(z,\mu) \frac{d\sigma}{dp_{Tc}}, p_D^{\mu} = zp_c^{\mu}, \quad m_c = m_D = 0$$
$$D(z) = D_0 z (1-z)^2 / ((1-z)^2 + \epsilon z)^2 - \text{Peterson}$$
$$D(z) = D_0 \frac{(1-z)}{z} \exp(-b/z) - \text{Lund}$$

$$D(z) = D_0 z^a (1-z) - Kartvelishvili, Likhoded$$

 $D_{c \rightarrow D}(z, \mu)$  – with DGLAP evolution by Kniehl, Kramer, et al.

 $D_{q \to D}(z, \mu)$  – with DGLAP evolution by Kniehl, Kramer, et al.



• When  $m_c \neq m_D \neq 0$  there is uncertainty in a choice of z :

$$z = rac{ert ec p_D ert}{ec p_c ert}, \qquad z = rac{E_D + p_D}{E_c + p_c}, ..., ext{ and } ec p_D \Uparrow ec p_c$$

From light-meson production in SIDIS, we know

$$D_{q \to h}(z, \mu, q_T) = D_{q \to h}(z, \mu) \exp(-q_T^2 / \langle q_T^2 \rangle),$$

where  $q_T$  is transverse momentum of D-meson relatively to c-quark direction.





### Fragmentation model (Peterson FF) and D-meson production at the $\sqrt{s} = 27.4$ GeV



### Fusion model, based on NRQCD or light-cone QCD

- A.V. Berezhnoy, V.V. Kiselev and A.K.Likhoded, New insight into the photoproduction of D<sup>\*</sup> meson in QCD, [arXiv:hep-ph/9901333 [hep-ph]]. p<sup>µ</sup><sub>D</sub> = p<sup>µ</sup><sub>c</sub> + p<sup>µ</sup><sub>q</sub>, m<sub>D</sub> = m<sub>c</sub> + m<sub>q</sub>, U<sub>q</sub>Ū<sub>c</sub> → ⟨O<sup>1,8</sup>⟩P̂<sub>S=0,1</sub> D<sup>0</sup> + D̄<sup>0</sup> = (cū) + (c̄u)
- ▶ G.P. Lepage, S.J. Brodsky, Exclusive processes in perturbative quantum chromodynamics, PRD 22(9), 2157 (1980) The formalism of "distribution amplitudes"
  ▲ ⊕(x, Q) which control the valence quark VICADistributions in the light-cone perturbative theory



### **Recombination model**

- In LO pQCD, the elementary cc production cross section underestimates open charm production in hadronic collisions by large factors of 5. NLO estimates typically account for half of the deficit, with appreciable uncertainties inherent in underlying parameters such as the bare charm quark-mass, renormalization and factorization scales. This obviously leaves room for additional contributions of nonperturbative origin.
- At low transverse momentum and large  $x_F$ , D-meson production cannot be captured by standard fragmentation functions
- K.P. Das and R.C. Hwa, Quark-antiquark Recombination in the Fragmentation Region, Phys. Lett. B 68, 459 (1977)
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#### High-order corrections and HEF

The high-energy factorization (HEF) formalism was first introduced as a resummation tool for high-order QCD corrections enhanced by logarithms of partonic center-of-mass energy  $\ln(\hat{s}/\mu^2)$  in the CPM. Later, the parton Reggeization approach (PRA) was suggested to define the partonic cross sections with off-shell initial states in a gauge-invariant way using high-energy QCD effective field theory (EFT) formulated by L.N. Lipatov and to include the resummation of Sudakov logarithms  $\ln(q_T^2/\mu^2)$  in the unintegrated PDFs. In the limit of  $q_T/\mu <<1$ , the PRA is consistent with conventional CSS formalism of the TMD factorizasion.

$$F_i(x, q_T, \mu) = F_i^{KMR}(x, q_T, \mu) \otimes F_i^{NP}(q_T), \quad F_i^{NP}(q_T) = \frac{1}{\pi \sigma_i^2} \exp\left(-q_T^2/\sigma_i^2\right), \quad \sigma_i = 0.35 \text{ GeV}$$

$$F_i^{KMR}(x, q_T^2, \mu) = \sum_j \int_x^z \frac{dz}{z} \tilde{f}_j\left(\frac{x}{z}, \mu\right) C_{ij}^{KMR}(z, q_T, \mu)$$

$$C_{ij}^{KMR}(z,q_T,\mu) = \frac{\alpha_s(q_T^2)}{2\pi} \frac{T_i(x,q_T^2,\mu)}{q_T^2} z P_{ij}(z) \theta(\Delta(q_T,\mu) - z), \qquad \Delta(q_T,\mu) = \frac{\mu}{\mu + q_T^2}$$



### Single *D*-meson production at the Tevatron and LHC









### $D\bar{D}$ -pair production at the LHC

The LHCb kinematics:  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV, 2.0 < y < 4.5,  $4 < p_{TD} < 12$  GeV.







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# $D\bar{D}$ -pair production at the NICA

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# Summary

- 1. In pp-collisions at the  $\sqrt{s} = 27$  GeV and  $p_{TD} \leq m_D$  different hadronization mechanisms may be occur: fragmentation, fusion and recombination. All relevant models are non-perturbative.
- 2. Cross section of  $D\bar{D}$ -pair production is in a few times smaller single D-meson production cross section at the  $\sqrt{s} = 27$  GeV,  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow D\bar{D}X) \sim 5 10$ ,  $\mu$ b. LEBC-EHS[1987] data:  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow DX) \sim 2 \cdot \sigma(pp \rightarrow D\bar{D}) \sim 30$ ,  $\mu$ b.
- 3.  $D\bar{D}$ -pair production is a tool to extract TMD PDFs instead of single D-meson production which is used to extract collinear PDFs.
- 4. At the  $\sqrt{s} = 27$  GeV, at the small  $p_T < 1$  GeV or large  $x_F > 0.5$ , quark-antiquark annihilation contribution to D-meson production becomes dominant and must be taken into account together with gluon-gluon fusion.

 $\Delta$  where find sufficient differences between theoretical calculations (LO CPM, PRA) and predictions obtained by  $D\bar{D}$ -pair production.

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