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⇒ Need precise theory predictions for $(d\sigma/dp_T^W)/(d\sigma/dp_T^Z)$ to model the p_T^W spectrum using precisely measured p_T^Z as input

 $m_W^{\text{ATLAS}} = 80370 \pm 7_{\text{stat.}} \pm 11_{\text{exp. syst.}} \pm 14_{\text{theory}} \, \text{MeV} = 80370 \pm 19 \, \text{MeV}$ [ATLAS, 1701.07240] $m_W^{\text{LHCb}} = 80354 \pm 23_{\text{stat.}} \pm 10_{\text{exp. syst.}} \pm 10_{\text{exp. syst.}} \pm 17_{\text{theory}} \pm 9_{\text{PDF}} \, \text{MeV} = 80354 \pm 32 \, \text{MeV}$ So you've lost a neutrino ... \Rightarrow Best option is to extract m_W from $d\sigma/dp_T^{\ell}$!



Challenges Opportunities for theory

- Need sub-percent precision on $\mathrm{d}\sigma/\mathrm{d}p_T^Z$ and $\mathrm{d}\sigma/\mathrm{d}p_T^W$
 - Leave no stone unturned: QCD three-loop corrections, QED radiative corrections, quark mass effects, PDF & α_s parametric uncertainties
- Resum singular terms & large logarithms $rac{lpha_s^n}{q_T} \Bigl(\ln rac{q_T}{Q} \Bigr)^{2n-1}$ to all orders in $lpha_s$
- Nonperturbative TMD dynamics of the proton at $q_T \sim 1/b_T \sim \Lambda_{
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Perturbative ingredients: Fixed-order matching



- Fiducial power corrections O(q_T/Q) captured through exact acceptance [TMD factorization, resummation & use in q_T FO subtractions: Ebert, JKLM, Stewart, Tackmann '20]
 dσ_{nons} = Y pushed down to O(q_T²) even in presence of fiducial cuts
- In-house analytic FO implementation of all helicity structure functions at $\mathcal{O}(lpha_s)$
- Fiducial Z+jet MC data at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$ from MCFM [Campbell, Ellis, et al. '99, '15]
- Recently: Precise fiducial Z+jet MC data at O(α³_s) from NNLOjet
 [Chen et al., 2203.01565 many thanks to the NNLOjet collaboration for providing the raw data.]

RG evolution, profile scales, and Landau pole prescription

• Large Sudakov logs of $q_T/Q \sim 1/(b_T Q)$ are resummed by μ and CS evolution:

$$\mu_i, \sqrt{\zeta_i} = rac{b_0}{b_T} pprox rac{1.123}{b_T} \longrightarrow \mu_f, \sqrt{\zeta_f} = Q$$

- Use exact analytic solutions of μ RGE and CS equation, combined with fast numerically exact solution of β function [Ebert '21]
 - Exact path independence in (μ, ζ) plane
 - Eliminates a source of truncation error at fraction of cost of full Runge-Kutta

RG evolution, profile scales, and Landau pole prescription

• Matching $d\sigma = d\sigma_{fact}^{res} + \left[d\sigma_{full}^{FO} - d\sigma_{fact}^{FO} \right]$ governed by (hybrid) profile scales: [Lustermans, JKLM, Tackmann, Waalewijn '19]

$$egin{aligned} \mu_i &= \sqrt{\zeta_i} = Q\,f\Big(rac{q_T}{Q},rac{b_0}{b_TQ}\Big) \ f(x,y) &= 1+g(x)(y-1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \blacktriangleright \quad \mu_i = \sqrt{\zeta_i} = b_0/b_T \text{ and } [\dots] = \mathcal{O}(q_T^2/Q^2) \text{ for } q_T \leq x_1 Q \\ \\ \blacktriangleright \quad \mu_i = \sqrt{\zeta_i} = \mu_f = \sqrt{\zeta_f} = Q \text{ (pure FO) and } \mathrm{d}\sigma = \mathrm{d}\sigma_{\mathrm{full}}^{\mathrm{FO}} \text{ for } q_T \geq x_3 Q \end{array}$$



• Apply a b^* prescription starting at $\mathcal{O}(b_T^4)$:

$$\mu_i o \mu_i^* = \left[\left(\mu_i^{\min}
ight)^4 + \left(rac{b_0}{b_T}
ight)^4
ight]^{1/4} = rac{b_0}{b_T} igg\{ 1 + \mathcal{O}\Big[(\mu_i^{\min}b_T)^4 \Big] igg\}$$

- Avoids contaminating nonperturbative corrections at quadratic order [Conflict with b_T-space renormalon structure: Scimemi, Vladimirov '18] [Translation back to momentum space: Ebert, JKLM, Stewart, Sun '22]
- Our prescription is "local", i.e., only applied to μ_i (not overall b_T)



Results: Central prediction and perturbative convergence for $Z ightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$

- Central results use <code>MSHT20nnlo</code> with $lpha_s(m_Z)=0.118$, $n_f=5$
- NNLO (= three-loop!) collinear PDF evolution still formally sufficient at N³LL[']
 - Three-loop DGLAP formally cancels within three-loop TMD PDF
 - Separate question whether PDFs should have been extracted using three-loop $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}$...



- Excellent perturbative convergence towards three-loop result
- Higher orders are covered by lower-order uncertainty estimates [See backup for details of how they are estimated – (mostly) based on scale variations]

Results: Predictions for $W^\pm o \ell u$



Nonperturbative model for the Collins-Soper kernel

$$\gamma^q_{\zeta\,\mathrm{NP}}(b_T) = c^i_\zeta anhigg(rac{\omega^2_{\zeta,i}}{|c_\zeta|}b_T^2igg) = \mathrm{sgn}(c^i_\zeta)\,\omega^2_{\zeta,i}b_T^2 + \mathcal{O}(b_T^4)$$



• Vary either ω_{ζ} ("short distance") or c_{ζ} ("long distance") to cover spread of lattice data at large b_T

[Collection of lattice data reproduced from Shanahan, Wagman, Zhao, 2107.11930 – thanks to Y. Zhao] [See talk by A. Avkhadiev for prospects for future improvements!]

NOTE Compatible with fits in [Scimemi, Vladimirov '19; Bacchetta et al. '19], but aim for a-priori prediction

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• Pick central value of $sgn(c_{\nu}^{i}) \omega_{\zeta,i}^{2}(1 \pm 2)$ to serve as bias correction for known leading (NNLL) bottom quark mass effect in γ_{ζ}^{q} :

$$\Delta \gamma_{\zeta}^{q}(b_{T}, m_{b}, \mu) = \frac{\alpha_{s}^{2}}{\pi^{2}} C_{F} T_{F} (m_{b} b_{T})^{2} \left(\ln \frac{b_{T}^{2} m_{b}^{2}}{4e^{-2\gamma_{E}}} - 1 \right) \approx -(0.25 \,\text{GeV})^{2} b_{T}^{2}$$

Nonperturbative model for the TMD PDF

• Leading term
$$f_i^{
m NP}(x,b_T)=b_T^2\Lambda_i^{(2)}(x)\sim rac{\Lambda_{
m QCD}^2}{q_T^2}$$
 in general complicated

 However, can show that for a given boson V and fiducial volume, only a single average coefficient Λ
_V remains after integral over hard PS Φ_B: [Ebert, JKLM, Stewart, Sun '22]

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\sigma}(b_T) &= \tilde{\sigma}^{(0)}(b_T) \Big\{ 1 + b_T^2 \Big(2\overline{\Lambda}_V^{(2)} + \gamma_{\zeta,q}^{(2)} L_{Q^2} \Big) \Big\} + \mathcal{O}\big[(\Lambda_{\rm QCD} b_T)^4 \big] \\ \overline{\Lambda}_V^{(2)} &= \frac{\int \mathrm{d}\Phi_B \, A(\Phi_B) \, \sum_{i,j} \sigma_{ij}^B(Q) \, f_i^{(0)}(x_a,\mu_0) \, f_j^{(0)}(x_b,\mu_0) \big[\Lambda_i^{(2)}(x_a) + \Lambda_j^{(2)}(x_b) \, d_i^{(2)}(x_b) \big]}{2 \int \mathrm{d}\Phi_B \, A(\Phi_B) \, \sum_{i,j} \sigma_{ij}^B(Q) \, f_i^{(0)}(x_a,\mu_0) \, f_j^{(0)}(x_b,\mu_0)} \end{split}$$

• Here: Promote $\overline{\Lambda}_V^{(2)}$ back to a single-parameter Gaussian model

$$f_i^{
m NP}(x,b_T)=\exp(-\Omega_V^2 b_T^2)$$
 with $\overline{\Lambda}_V^{(2)}=-\Omega_V^2$

- Captures the most general form of the leading NP correction to the rapidity-integrated q_T spectrum up to $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4/q_T^4)$
- In following: take central $\Omega_V = 0.5~{
 m GeV}$ and vary it as $\Omega_V = \{0, 0.7\}~{
 m GeV}$



- Taken at face value, the lowest bins seem to prefer weaker NP effects
- N³LL closer to data for q_T ≤ 15 GeV with our default NP parameters, suggesting that three-loop and NP corrections can be traded off for one another
- Overshoot data at $q_T = 20 30$ GeV, way outside NP effect strength (and narrowly outside perturbative uncertainty)



- Important: $\Omega_Z \neq \Omega_W$ in general because $f_u^{NP} \neq f_d^{NP} \neq f_{\bar{u}}^{NP} \neq f_{\bar{d}}^{NP}$!
- Shifts in m_W from flavor dependent $f_i^{
 m NP}$ may be as large as $10~{
 m MeV}$ [Bacchetta, Bozzi, Radici, Ritzmann, Signori '18]
- N.B. CDF 2022 measurement used flavor-independent BLNY ansatz
 - $x \sim 10^{-2}$ at the LHC \Leftrightarrow weakly constrained by lowest Mellin moments
- Full x dependence of flavor ratios would be ideal
 [See talk by S. Schindler for a lattice-to-continuum factorization enabling this on formal footing!]



- Resummed 3-loop cross section is *analytic*, hold small $\alpha_s^{2,3}$ nonsingular fixed
 - Whole figure with complete PDF uncertainties at few 100 CPUh!
- PDF uncertainty largely cancels in normalized spectrum
- Cannot explain overshoot at $q_T=20-30\,{
 m GeV}$



- Parametric uncertainty due to $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ on par with perturbative uncertainty
- Overshoot at $q_T = 20 30 \, {
 m GeV}$ is naturally explained by lower $lpha_s(m_Z)$

This is not unprecedented ...



- Lower values of $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ have previously been reported in high-order resummed fits to e^+e^- event shapes (thrust and C parameter)
- Like TMD observables these are driven by all-order resummation ...

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[Cieri, Ferrera, Sborlini 1805.11948]

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- Next challenge: Interface *pp* TMD factorization with QED+weak corrections to full process, including realistic lepton definitions [Connects to QED radiative corrections in SIDIS, cf. Liu Melnitchouk, Qiu, Sato '21]
- Subleading power resummation & factorization for *nonsingular* cross section [See talks by A. Gao, L. Gamberg, J. Terry in first Friday session!]
- Full resummed treatment of quark mass effects \Leftrightarrow matched VFNS for every piece in factorization $\Rightarrow \# m_b^2/q_T^2$?



Side note: At least $g o bar{b}$ matters less for Tevatron, cf. $lpha_s$ fit in [Camarda, Ferrera, Schott '22]...

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Backup



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- Fixed-order uncertainty, keeps resummed logarithms unchanged
- Estimated by standard variations of overall $\mu_R=\mu_{
 m FO}$
- All scales (except μ_f) are chosen $\propto \mu_{
 m FO}$, so e.g. μ_H/μ_S unchanged
- Frozen out at $b_T \lesssim 1/\Lambda_{
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- Uncertainty from matching scheme between resummed peak and fixed-order tail
- Estimated by varying the $x = q_T/Q$ transition points in hybrid profile as

 $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\} = \{0.3, 0.6, 0.9\} \pm \{0.1, 0.15, 0.2\}$

• Checked that inclusive integrated cross section is recovered within $\Delta_{
m match}$ 2/8



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- Probes higher-order resummed logarithms
- Estimated by envelope of 36 different combinations of independently varying $\{\mu_B, \mu_S, \nu_B, \dots\}$ in $\sigma^{(0)} = H B \otimes B \otimes S$
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- Estimate of missing higher orders (four loops) in DGLAP running
- Estimated both in peak and tail by joint variations of $\mu_f(b_T, q_T, Q)$ and $\mu_F(Q)$
- Oscillatory due to b_T -space features at uncancelled m_b threshold



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- RPI-I transformation of n^{μ}_{a}, n^{μ}_{b} in $W^{\mu
 u}_{
 m LP} \sim g^{\mu
 u}_{\perp}(n_{a}, n_{b})$
- Induces $O(q_T^2/Q^2)$ change in spectrum due to fiducial cuts on $L_{\mu\nu}$ [Ebert, JKLM, Stewart, Tackmann '20]
- Equivalent to changing "recoil prescription"/choice of Z rest frame by $\mathcal{O}(q_T/Q)$



ATLAS normalized spectrum (Born leptons)



CMS normalized spectrum (dressed leptons)

