# High energy diffractive $\gamma\gamma$ scattering

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- $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow V_1V_2$  in BFKL framework (V.G. & W.S., *Eur. Phys. J.* **C44**(2005) 515) with  $V_i = \rho, \omega, \phi, J/\Psi, \Upsilon$  vector mesons in the large t exchange  $\Rightarrow$  large rapidity gap in the final state.
- Successful description of meson photo-production in HERA with the BFKL formalism (Enberg, Motyka, Poludniowsky), even in the case of light mesons.



Applicability on another processes with photon scattering: ultra peripheral heavy ion collisions,  $e^+e^-$  collisions.

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▶ In this work  $Q_{\gamma} = 0$  and in LLA  $\Lambda$  is arbitrary (see below) and  $\alpha_s$  is constant.





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$$\mathcal{I}_{\gamma V_i} = \frac{\mathcal{C}_i \alpha_s}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\bar{q}^2} - \frac{1}{q_{\parallel}^2 + k_{\perp}^2} \right)$$

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• Choice of the parameters:  $\alpha_s=0.2$ ,  $\Lambda^2=\beta_1M_{V_1}^2+\beta_2M_{V_2}^2+\gamma|t|$ , with  $\beta_1=\beta_2=1/2$ 



• Combinations with light mesons have a total cross section cut in  $|t|_{min} = 1$ GeV<sup>2</sup>. With heavy mesons,  $|t|_{min} = 0$  GeV<sup>2</sup>

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- $d\sigma/dt$  behavior: decrease when the masses increase; become flatter
- The inclusion of BFKL machinery result: growth of the cross section and a different t-behavior; steeper t-dependence in comparison with the Born calculation.



Total cross sections. Left: Solid line: BFKL ( $|t|_{min} = 0 \text{ GeV}^2$ ); dashed line: BFKL ( $|t|_{min} = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ ); dot-dashed line: FELIX ( $|t|_{min} = 0 \text{ GeV}^2$ ); dot-dot-dashed line: FELIX ( $|t|_{min} = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ ); dot-dashed-dashed line BFKL-fit from FELIX. Right: solid line: BFKL ( $|t|_{min} = 0 \text{ GeV}^2$ ); dashed line: BFKL ( $|t|_{min} = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ ).





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- $\sigma_{tot}$ : decrease when mass increase; small difference when mass increase between  $|t|_{min} = 0$  and 1.
- GFPAE
- ▶ BFKL effects: strongly increases with the energy  $\Rightarrow \sigma_{tot} \approx W^{\lambda}$ ,  $|t_{min}| = 0 \rightarrow \lambda \approx 1.6$ ,  $|t_{min}| = 1 \rightarrow \lambda \approx 1.4$

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	TESLA	CLIC	ILC
ho ho	8.0	2.0	28.0
$ ho J/\Psi$	28.0	5.0	100.0
$J/\Psi J/\Psi$	2.0	0.4	8.0
$\Upsilon\Upsilon$	0.0002	0.00004	0.0007

> Estimations of number of events in new linear colliders (number of events per second)



The number may be consider a lower bound in number of events ⇒ The process could be used to constraint the QCD dynamics.

### Applications: ultra-peripheral heavy ion collisions

- Long range electromagnetic interaction  $\Rightarrow \sigma \approx Z^4 \alpha^4$ .
- Total cross-section in factorized form,

$$\sigma_{AA \to AA V_1 V_2}(s) = \int d\tau \, \frac{d\mathcal{L}_{\gamma\gamma}}{d\tau} \, \hat{\sigma}_{\gamma\gamma \to V_1 V_2}(\hat{s})$$

where  $d\mathcal{L}_{\gamma\gamma}/d au$  is the  $\gamma\gamma$  luminosity (Cahn/Jackson)





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#### Results:

Cross section in nb (events/mouth)

$$t_{\mathrm min} = 1 \, \mathrm{GeV}^2$$

$V_1 V_2$	RHIC		LHC	
	Si	Au	Ca	Pb
ho ho	$10^{-2}$ (0.42)	1.2 (0.2)	$4.3 (2 \times 10^3)$	432 (181)
$\omega\omega$	$6 \times 10^{-5} (3 \times 10^{-3})$	$8 \times 10^{-3} (10^{-3})$	0.03 (15)	3 (1.2)
$\phi\phi$	$2 \times 10^{-3}$ (0.01)	$0.02 (4 \times 10^{-3})$	0.14 (74)	14 (6)
$ ho\omega$	$7  imes 10^{-4}$ (0.03)	0.1 (0.02)	0.3 (174)	34 (14)
$ ho \phi$	$10^{-3}$ (0.06)	0.16 (0.03)	0.7 (378)	73 (31)
$\omega\phi$	$6 \times 10^{-4}$ (0.03)	$0.013(3  imes 10^{-3})$	0.06 (32)	6 (3)

### $t_{\min} = \overline{0 \, \mathrm{G} e V^2}$

$V_1 V_2$	RHIC		LHC	
	Si	Au	Ca	Pb
ρρ	3.2 (140)	340 (68)	2821 (10 <sup>6</sup> )	$2 \times 10^5$ (10 <sup>5</sup> )
$\omega\omega$	0.02 (1)	2 (0.5)	20 (10 <sup>5</sup> )	$1.6  imes 10^3$ (690)
$\phi\phi$	0.02 (0.9)	1.6 (0.3)	20 (10 <sup>5</sup> )	$1.6  imes 10^3$ (704)
$ ho\omega$	0.5 (23)	55 (11)	500 (2.10 <sup>5</sup> )	$4 \times 10^5$ (1.6 $\times 10^5$ )
$ ho \phi$	0.2 (10)	22 (4.5)	230 (10 <sup>5</sup> )	$2 \times 10^5$ (1.6 $\times 10^5$ )
$\omega\phi$	0.02 (0.9)	2 (0.4)	19 (10 <sup>5</sup> )	$1.6  imes 10^3$ (667)



### Applications: ultra-peripheral heavy ion collisions

- $\blacktriangleright \text{ large difference} \Rightarrow \text{contributions of small } t$
- huge light meson production at LHC energies

$V_1 V_2$	RHIC		LHC	
	Si	Au	Ca	Pb
$ ho J/\Psi$	$8 \times 10^{-3}$ (0.34)	0.25 (0.05)	$15(7 \times 10^3)$	1200 (504)
$\omega J/\Psi$	$6 \times 10^{-4}$ (0.03)	$0.02(4 \times 10^{-3})$	1.3 (657)	101 (42)
$\phi J/\Psi$	$4 \times 10^{-3}$ (0.18)	0.08 (0.01)	$2 \times 10^4 (10^7)$	$8 \times 10^4$ (3 $\times 10^4$ )
$ ho\Upsilon$	$10^{-6} (5 \times 10^{-5})$	$3 \times 10^{-6} (6 \times 10^{-7})$	0.02 (10)	1.3 (0.5)
$\omega \Upsilon$	$10^{-7} (4 \times 10^{-6})$	$2 \times 10^{-7} (5 \times 10^{-8})$	$10^{-3}$ (0.85)	0.1 (0.04)
$\phi \Upsilon$	$2 \times 10^{-7} (8 \times 10^{-6})$	$4 \times 10^{-7} (10^{-7})$	$2 \times 10^{-3}$ (1.5)	0.2 (0.08)

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	HEAVY ION	$J/\PsiJ/\Psi$	$J/\Psi\Upsilon$	ΥΥ
RHIC	SiSi	$2 \times 10^{-3} (10^{-2})$	$1.6 \times 10^{-7} (7 \times 10^{-6})$	$8 \times 10^{-10} (4 \times 10^{-8})$
	AuAu	$2 \times 10^{-3} (5 \times 10^{-4})$	$2 \times 10^{-7} (3 \times 10^{-8})$	$6 \times 10^{-11} (10^{-11})$
LHC	CaCa	0.74 (387)	$3 \times 10^{-3}$ (1.8)	$8 \times 10^{-5}$ (0.05)
	PbPb	61 (26)	0.25 (0.1)	$5 \times 10^{-3} (2 \times 10^{-3})$

> Decrease of cross-section with the increase of the meson mass



• Increase of the cross sections in comparison with the Born level  $\Rightarrow$  QCD Pomeron effects

### Applications: $e^+e^-$ collisions

- Simplicity of the initial state
- Observable in future linear colliders (TESLA,CLIC,ILC)
  - $\blacktriangleright$  photon emission from lepton beams  $\Rightarrow$  Weizsäcker-Williams (WW) energy distribution
  - electron beam into photon beam by backscattering of photons off an intense laser beam
- Cross section

$$\sigma_{e^+e^- \to e^+e^- V_1 V_2}(\sqrt{s_{ee}}) = \int_0^1 dx_a \int_0^1 dx_b \,\Theta(\hat{s} - \hat{s}_{min}) f_{\gamma/e}(x_a) f_{\gamma/e}(x_b) \sigma_{\gamma\gamma \to V_1 V_2}(\hat{s})$$

with the WW energy spectrum

$$f_{\gamma/e}(x) = \frac{\alpha_{\rm em}}{2\pi} \left\{ \frac{1 + (1-x)^2}{x} \ln\left(\frac{Q_{max}^2}{Q_{min}^2}\right) - 2m^2 x \left[\frac{1}{Q_{min}^2} - \frac{1}{Q_{max}^2}\right] \right\}$$

where  $\alpha_{em}$  is the EM coupling constant,  $x = E_{\gamma}/E$ ,  $Q_{min}^2 = (m^2 x^2)/(1-x)$ ,  $Q_{max}^2 = E^2(1-x)\theta_{max}^2$  and



$$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma\to V_1V_2}(\hat{s}) = \int_{t_{min}}^{\infty} dt \, \frac{d\sigma_{\gamma\gamma\to V_1V_2}}{dt}(\hat{s})$$

High energy diffractive  $\gamma \gamma$  scattering – p.13

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### Results:

	$\sqrt{s_{ee}}$ =	= 200 GeV	$\sqrt{s_{ee}}$ :	= 500 GeV	$\sqrt{s_{ee}}$ =	= 1000 GeV	$\sqrt{s_{ee}} =$	3000 GeV
$ ho J/\Psi$	0.90	(0.015)	5.80	( 0.049)	21.87	(0.097)	178.19	(0.22)
$\phi J/\Psi$	0.11	(0.0023)	0.69	(0.0073)	2.58	(0.014)	20.77	(0.033)
$\omega J/\Psi$	0.075	(0.0013)	0.48	(0.0041)	1.85	(0.0081)	15.03	(0.019)
$J/\Psi J/\Psi$	0.045	(0.0021)	0.27	(0.0066)	0.98	(0.012)	7.56	(0.031)
$ ho\Upsilon$	0.0013	(0.000055)	0.0093	(0.00017)	0.036	(0.00034)	0.31	(0.00080)
$\omega\Upsilon$	0.00011	(0.0000055)	0.00078	(0.000017)	0.0030	(0.000034)	0.026	(0.000080)
$\phi\Upsilon$	0.0002	(0.000011)	0.0013	(0.000034)	0.0050	(0.000068)	0.040	(0.00016)
$J/\Psi\Upsilon$	0.00025	(0.000027)	0.0015	(0.000086)	0.0052	(0.00017)	0.038	(0.00040)
ΥΥ	0.0000072	2 (0.0000014)	0.000038	(0.0000045)	0.00012	2 (0.000088)	0.0008	8 (0.000020)

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 $|t|_{min} = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$  and  $heta_{max} = 30$  mrad, BFKL Pomeron (Two-gluon). Cross sections in pb

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ρρ	0.18 (0.035)	1.03 (0.11)	3.60 (0.21)	26.62 (0.51)
$ ho\phi$	0.033 (0.0053)	0.19 (0.016)	0.66 (0.032)	4.87 (0.077)
$ ho \omega$	0.015 (0.0030)	0.088 (0.0093)	0.309 (0.018)	2.28 (0.043)
$\phi\phi$	0.0067 (0.00084)	0.038 (0.0026)	0.130 (0.0051)	0.951 (0.012)
$\phi \omega$	0.0029 (0.00044)	0.016 (0.0013)	0.057 (0.0027)	0.41 (0.0064)
$\omega\omega$	0.0013 (0.00025)	0.007 (0.00080)	0.026 (0.0025)	0.19 (0.0036)



Number of events per year at TESLA, CLIC and ILC ( $\sqrt{s_{ee}}$  = 500 GeV and  $\theta_{max} = 30$  mrad).

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$ ho J/\Psi$	1972000.0	1160000.0	1276000.0
$J/\Psi J/\Psi$	91800.0	54000.0	59400.0
ΥΥ	12.92	7.6	8.4

- Comparison with previous results:
  - Kwiecinski/Motyka, full BFKL with IR cut and NLO BFKL with kinematic cuts: similar results
  - > Ziaja/Motyka, gluon distribution in  $\rho J/\psi$
- Results are conservative (not include the soft Pomeron contribution)
  - $\Rightarrow$  bound for real production



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  - ▶ hard task to include next leading order contributions (BFKL t = 0: 1977 ⇒  $t \neq 0$ : 1986, NLO BFKL 1998) ⇒ *Large* contributions
  - Use a kinematic veto (Kwiecinski/Motyka)
  - ▶ Problems on energy scale choice (renormalization schemes:  $\overline{MS}$ , MOM) ⇒ BLM scheme ⇒ used in  $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow hadrons$  with LEP & LEPII data
  - ▶ previous calculations (Brodsky & The Russian Gang) use NLO BFKL kernel with LO photon impact factors ⇒ a *true* calculation includes the NLO impact factors ⇒ Ivanov, Kotsky, Papa: *HUGE* expressions



- Helicity contributions (Enberg, Motyka, Poludniowski)
  - ▶ more general impact factor ⇒ polarization (odd, even) helicity amplitudes
  - include more complete meson wave functions
  - include conformal spins
  - complex analytical structure
  - describes the DESY data (HERA, ZEUS) in meson photo-production



### Conclusions

- Probe QCD dynamics in a new & unexplored kinematic regime
- γγ processes have a important rôle in background contributions in other processes.
- γγ processes can constrain the QCD dynamics in more clear process.
- Future photon colliders can be experimentally check this predictions.



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