Determination of heavy mesons fragmentation functions in the phenomenological approach

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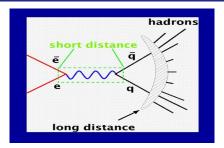
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INTRODUCTION



In perturbative QCD the hadron production cross section is factorized into two parts.

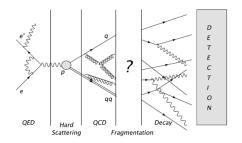
- Perturbative
 - The first part is the hard scattering subprocess.
 - We need to calculate $e^-e^+ \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ cross section.
 - This part is calculable with perturbation theory.

Non-Perturbative

- This part contains FFs.
- We need to extract non-perturbative FFs describing $q/\bar{q} \rightarrow H$
- This part is extracted by global analysis.



Fragmentation functions (FFs)



FFs

The FFs are the probability density in which outgoing parton fragments into a hadron with a certain fraction of the parton's momentum.

Study of fragmentation functions

FFs

FFs in hadronization processes

Since FFs are universal, they play important roles in all hadronization processes.

- $e^- + e^+$ (SIA)
- $\bullet P + \bar{P}$
- $\bullet P + P$
- SIDIS

Single Inclusive electron-positron Annihilation(SIA)

Heavy hadron production in electron-positron annihilation

$$e^-e^+ \to (z, \gamma) \to q\bar{q} \to H + X,$$
 (1)

where *X* stands for the residual final state including unobservable jet produced together with the hadron *H*, which is observed.

- This process has in general less contributions by background processes compared to hadron collisions.
- We don't have to deal with the uncertainty introduced by parton density functions.
- The most experimental data sets belong to SIA

Structure of the cross section

Differential cross section

The cross section of process (1) is expressed as

$$\sigma_{(SIA)} = \hat{\sigma} \otimes D_i^H$$

The general fom of differential cross section is

$$\frac{d\sigma(x_H, s)}{dx_H} = \sum_{i=q,g,x_H} \int_H^1 \left(\frac{dx_i}{x_i}\right) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dx_i}(x_i, \mu_r, \mu_f) D_i^H \left(\frac{x_H}{x_i}, \mu_f\right). \tag{2}$$

$$x_i = 2E_i/\sqrt{s}$$
 and $x_H = 2E_H/\sqrt{s}$, $z = \frac{x_H}{x_i}$ and $\mu_r = \mu_s = \sqrt{s}$

Total cross section

Most of experimental data are presented in the form of $1/\sigma_{tot} \times \frac{d\sigma}{dx_H}$ to be able to compare our theoretical results with experimental data we need to normalize the last equation to the total cross section

$$\sigma_{tot} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2(Q)}{(Q^2)} \left(\sum_{i}^{n_f} \tilde{e}_i^2(Q) \right) (1 + \alpha_s K_{QCD}^{(1)} + \alpha_s^2 K_{QCD}^{(2)} + \ldots), \tag{3}$$

where α and α_s are the electromagnetic and strong-coupling constants, respectively, \tilde{e}_i is the effective electroweak charge of quark i, and the coefficient $K_{\rm QCD}^{(n)}$ contains the NⁿLO correction. $K_{\rm QCD}^{(1)} = 3C_F/4\pi$ where $C_F = 4.3$ and $K_{\rm QCD}^{(2)} \approx 1.411$.

sub-processes cross section

Wilson coefficients

The cross sections of the relevant partonic sub-processes for quarks are given by 1

$$\frac{d\sigma_{q_i}}{dx_q}(x_q, \mu) = N_c \sigma_0(V_{qi}^2 + A_{qi}^2) \left\{ \delta(1 - x_q) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \left[P_{q \to q}^{(0,T)}(x_q) ln \frac{s}{\mu^2} + C_q(x_q) \right] \right\},$$
(4)

and for glouns we have²

$$\frac{d\sigma_g}{dx_g}(x_g, \mu) = 2N_c \sigma_0 \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} (V_{qi}^2 + A_{qi}^2) \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \left[P_{q \to g}^{(0,T)}(x_g) ln \frac{s}{\mu^2} + C_g(x_g) \right], \quad (5)$$

Here, $N_c = 3$ is the number of color and $\sigma_0 = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3}$.

¹S. Moch and A. Vogt, Phys. Lett. B 659, 290 (2008).

²A. Mitov, S. Moch and A. Vogt, Phys. Lett. B 638, 61 (2006). (□) → (

Splliting functions

 $P_{a\to b}^{(0,T)}$ are the LO splitting functions

$$P_{q \leftrightarrow q}^{(0,T)}(x_q) = C_F \left[\frac{3}{2} \delta(1 - x_q) + \frac{1 + x_q^2}{(1 - x_q)_+} \right],$$

$$P_{q \leftrightarrow g}^{(0,T)}(x_g) = C_F \frac{1 + (1 - x_g)^2}{x_g},$$
(6)

where $C_F = 3/4$ and the coefficient functions read

$$\begin{split} C_q(x_q) = & C_F \left\{ \left(-\frac{9}{2} + \frac{2}{3}\pi^2 \right) \delta(1 - x_q) - \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1 - x_q} \right)_+ + 2 \left[\frac{\ln(1 - x_q)}{1 - x_q} \right]_+ \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{5}{2} - \frac{3}{2}x_q + 4 \frac{\ln x_q}{1 - x_q} - (1 + x_q)[2\ln x_q + \ln(1 - x_q)] \right\}, \\ C_g(x_g) = & C_F \frac{1 + (1 - x_g)^2}{x_g} [2\ln x_g + \ln(1 - x_g)]. \end{split} \tag{7}$$

Fragmentation Functions in phenomenological approach

Determination of FFs

Steps

- Considering a parametrization form with unknown parameter.
- 2 Finding relevant experimental data.
- Ooing a fit to experimental data for determination of unknown parameter.
 - To get the best value of parameter we need to introduce χ^2 function and minimized it to obtain the optimum values

$$\chi^2 = \Sigma_i \frac{(\Delta_i^{data} - \Delta_i^{theo})^2}{(\sigma_i^{data})^2} \tag{8}$$

FFs in phenomenological approach

heavy mesons

heavy mesons FFs

In this work we want to determine:

- B-mesons fragmentation function.
- D-mesons fragmentation functions.

QCD framework our analysis

Extraction of the FFs

Details of our analysis

Extraction of the FFs

PRAMETRIZATION FORM

Parameterization of the *B*-meson FFs

Simple power form

For B-meson we have simple power form

$$D_b^B(z, \mu_0^2) = N_b z^{\alpha_b} (1 - z)^{\beta_b}$$
 (9)

Parameterization of the D^0 and D^+ mesons FFs

- $Z \rightarrow c/\bar{c}$ followed by $c/\bar{c} \rightarrow H_c$ fragmentation.
- $Z \to b/\bar{b}$ followed by $b/\bar{b} \to H_b$ fragmentation then $H_b \to H_c + X$.

Bowler Parametric form

We adopt the optimal functional form suggested by Bowler for the parametrization of c and b quark FFs

$$D_{c,b}^{(D^0,D^+)}(z,\mu_0^2) = N_i z^{-(\alpha_i^2+1)} (1-z)^{\beta_i} e^{-\alpha_i^2/z}.$$
 (10)

Parameterization of the D_s^+ -meson FFs

Peterson and simple power form

We use the optimal functional form for the parameterization of charm suggested by Peterson as

$$D_c^{D_s^+}(z,\mu_0^2) = N_c \frac{z(1-z)^2}{[(1-z)^2 + \varepsilon z]^2},$$
(11)

and for $b \to D_s^+$ transition, we use the following simple power form

$$D_b^{D_b^+}(z,\mu_0^2) = N_b z^{\alpha} (1-z)^{\beta}$$
 (12)

EXPERIMENTAL INPUT

Details of our analysis
Experimental input

B-mesons

Experimental data for B-mesons

LEP(CERN)	ALEPH	OPAL	DELPHI
SLC(SLAC)		SLD	

D-mesons

Experimental data for D^0 , D^+ and D_s^+

LEP(CERN)	OPAL
CESR	CLEO

D-mesons

OPAL

OPAL collaboration released their results in the form of $\frac{1}{N_{had}} \frac{dN}{dz}$. We need to divide it by the branching fractions of the decays

$$Br(D^0 \to K^- \pi^+) = (3.84 \pm 0.13)\%$$

 $Br(D^+ \to K^- \pi^+ \pi^-) = (9.1 \pm 0.6)\%$
 $Br(D_s^+ \to \varphi \pi^+) = (3.5 \pm 0.4)\%$ (13)

D-mesons

Mass corrections

To incorporate the hadron mass effects, we used a specific choice of scaling variables by working in the light-cone coordinates.

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_H}(x_H, s) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{m_H^2}{s\eta^2(x_H)}} \frac{d\sigma}{d\eta}(\eta(x_H), s),$$
(14)

where $\eta = x_H/2 \times (1 - 4m_H^2/(sx_H^2))$ and

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\eta}(\eta, s) = \sum_{i} \int_{\eta}^{1} \frac{dy}{y} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{i}}{dy} D_{i}^{H}(\frac{\eta}{y}, \mu_{F}). \tag{15}$$

UNCERTAINTIES

Hessian approach

$$[\Delta D_i^H(z)]^2 = \Delta \chi^2 \sum_{j,k}^n \frac{\partial D_i^H(z, a_j)}{\partial a_j} H_{jk}^{-1} \frac{\partial D_i^H(z, a_j)}{\partial a_k}, \tag{16}$$

where a_i are the free parameters and H^{-1} is the covariance matrix.

Conditions

- Initial scales
 - for $b \to D^B(z, \mu_0^2)$: $\mu_0^2 = 20.25 GeV^2$
 - for $(c,b) \to D^{D_c}(z,\mu_0^2)$: $\mu_0^2 = 18.5 GeV^2$
- 2 Scheme: ZM-VFN
- **6** $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.118$
- 4 D-mesons masses
 - $m(D^0) = 1.864 GeV$
 - $m(D^+) = 1.869 GeV$
 - $m(D_s^+) = 1.968 GeV$

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Fit Results

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 We use APFEL package and MINUIT program for determination of FFs.

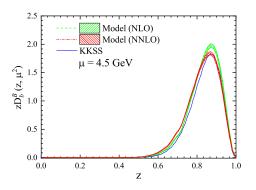
Fit results for B-mesons

M. Salajegheh, S.M.M. Nejad, H. Khanpour, B. A. Kniehl, and M. Soleymaninia, Phys. Rev. D 99, 114001 (2019).

Collaboration	data	\sqrt{s} GeV	data	χ ² (NLO)	χ^2 (NNLO)
	properties		points		
ALEPH	Inclusive	91.2	18	14.376	12.269
DELPHI	Inclusive	91.2	8	7.535	15.377
OPAL	Inclusive	91.2	15	35.594	20.002
SLD	Inclusive	91.2	18	25.675	14.195
TOTAL:			59	83.180	61.844
$(\chi^2/\text{d.o.f})$				1.48	1.104

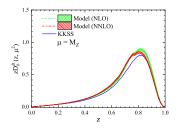
flavor b	N_i	α_i	β_i
NLO	2575.014	15.424	2.394
NNLO	1805.896	14.168	2.341

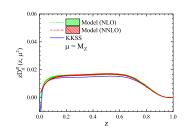
FFs of b quark to *B*-Meson at $Q_0 = 4.5$ GeV obtained from QCD analysis at NLO and NNLO accuracies along with the error uncertainties. The KKSS results are shown for comparison.³



³B. A. Kniehl, G. Kramer, I. Schienbein, and H. Spiesberger, Phys. Rev. D 77, 014011 (2008).

Line shapes of $zD_b^B(z,M_Z)$ (left panel) and $zD_g^B(z,M_Z)$ (right panel) at NLO and NNLO and their experimental uncertainty bands.



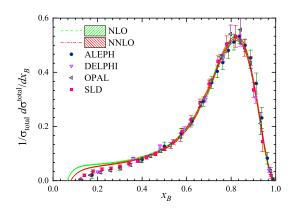


Fit Results

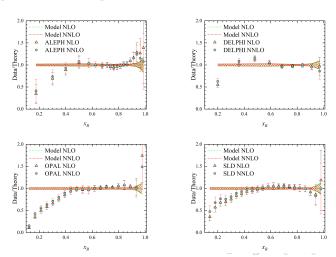
Fit results for B-mesons

B-meson

Comparison between the dataset for *B*-meson production from the ALEPH, DELPHI, OPAL and SLD experiments and the corresponding NLO and NNLO theoretical predictions.



For better visibility, we present the information contained in below as data over theory plots one for each experiment.



Fit results for D^0 -mesons

M. Salajegheh, S. M. M. Nejad, M. Soleymaninia, H. Khanpour, and S. A. Tehrani, Eur.Phys.J. C79 (2019) no.12, 999.

Fit results for D-meson

D^0 -meson

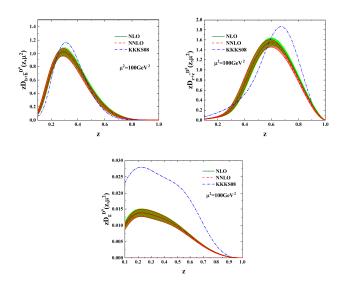
The individual χ^2 values for inclusive and b-tagged cross sections obtained at NLO and NNLO for D^0

Collaboration	data	\sqrt{s} GeV	data	χ^2 (NLO)	χ^2 (NNLO)
	properties		points		
OPAL	Inclusive	91.2	13	8.36	7.08
	b-tagged	91.2	13	14.62	14
TOTAL:			26	22.98	21.08
$(\chi^2/\text{d.o.f})$				1.149	1.05

D^0 -meson

The optimal values for the input parameters of the D^0 -FF at the initial scale $\mu_0^2=18.5~{\rm GeV^2}$

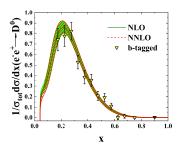
Parameter		Best values	
	NLO		NNLO
$\overline{N_c}$	284.513		261.214
α_c	1.341		1.402
eta_c	1.981		1.953
N_b	13.127		12.701
$lpha_b$	3.944		4.014
β_b	0.904		0.891

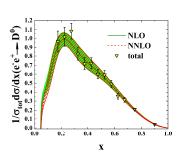


T. Kneesch, B. A. Kniehl, G. Kramer and I. Schienbein, Nucl. Phys. B 799, 34 (2008) (KKKS08).

D^0 -meson

Our NLO and NNLO theoretical predictions are compared with the normalized inclusive total (right) and b-tagged (left) data sets for D^0 meson production from OPAL experiment.





Fit results for D^+ -mesons

M. Salajegheh, S. M. M. Nejad, M. Soleymaninia, H. Khanpour, and S. A. Tehrani, Eur.Phys.J. C79 (2019) no.12, 999.

Fit results for D-meson

D^+ -meson

The individual χ^2 values for inclusive and b-tagged cross sections obtained at NLO and NNLO for D^+

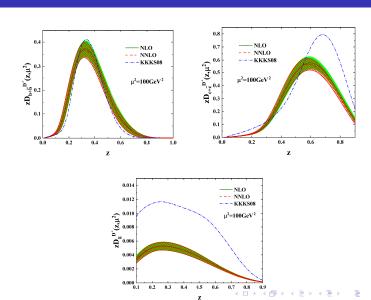
Collaboration	data	\sqrt{s} GeV	data	χ^2 (NLO)	χ^2 (NNLO)
	properties		points		
OPAL	Inclusive	91.2	13	7.24	6.2
	b-tagged	91.2	13	8.51	8.32
TOTAL:			26	15.75	14.52
$(\chi^2/\text{d.o.f})$				0.75	0.69

D^+ -meson

The optimal values for the input parameters of the D^+ -FF at the initial scale $\mu_0^2=18.5~{\rm GeV^2}$

Parameter		Best values	
	NLO		NNLO
$\overline{N_c}$	49.817		44.357
α_c	1.20		1.253
$egin{array}{c} lpha_c \ eta_c \end{array}$	1.841		1.806
N_b	11.664		10.653
$lpha_b$	4.308		4.343
β_b	1.095		1.073

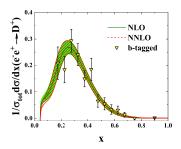
D^+ -meson

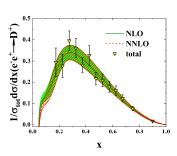


Fit results for D-meson

D^+ -meson

Our NLO and NNLO theoretical predictions are compared with the normalized inclusive total (right) and b-tagged (left) data sets for D^+ meson production from OPAL experiment.





Fit results for D_s^+ -mesons

M. Salajegheh, S.M.M. Nejad and M. Delpasand, Phys.Rev. D100 (2019) no.11, 114031.

Fit results for D-meson

D_s^+ -meson

The individual χ^2 values for inclusive and b-tagged cross sections obtained at LO, NLO and NNLO for D_s^+

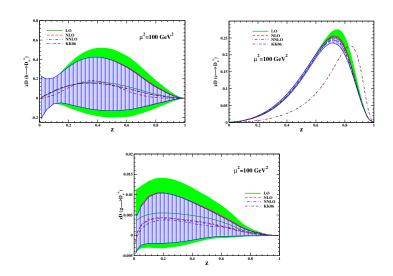
data		data			
properties	\sqrt{s} GeV	points	χ^2 (LO)	χ^2 (NLO)	χ^2 (NNLO)
Inclusive	91.2	4	0.037	0.025	0.022
<i>b</i> -tagged	91.2	4	0.123	0.103	0.098
TOTAL:		8	0.160	0.128	0.121
χ^2 / d.o.f)			0.082	0.064	0.060

Fit results for D-meson

$$D_s^+$$
-meson

The optimal values for the input parameters of the D_s^+ -FF at the initial scale $\mu_0^2=18.5~{\rm GeV^2}$

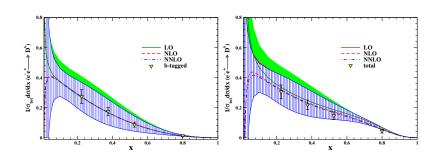
Parameter		Best values	
	LO	NLO	NNLO
$\overline{N_c}$	0.176	0.176	0.176
ε	0.108	0.141	0.155
N_b	1.555	1.359	1.380
α	0.318	0.206	0.203
β	1.859	1.923	1.983



B. A. Kniehl and G. Kramer, Phys. Rev. D 74, 037502 (2006) (KK06).

Fit results for *D*-meson

D_s^+ -meson



SUMMERY AND CONCLUSION

Conclusion

- We had a brief study on fragmentation functions and their formalism.
- The framework of our analysis has been studied.
- We introduced the parametrization form for both of B and D mesons FFs and The relevant experimental data sets.
- We extracted B and D mesons FFs up to NNLO.
- Obtained FFs were compared with the other theoretical groups.
- Our results have been compared with experimental data and we saw that they are in good agreement.



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BACKUP

Total fragmentation function

The SIA differential cross-section involving a hadron H in the final state can be expressed as

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dz}(e^-e^+ \to H + X)\frac{1}{\sigma_{tot}} = F^H(z,s)$$
 (17)

 $F^{H}(z,s)$ is the fragmentation (structure) function, defined in analogy with the structure function F_2 in DIS. In the literature $F^H(z,s)$ is often called total fragmentation function. From Eq. (2), the relation between $F^H(z,s)$ and $D_i^H(z,\mu)$ is as below

$$F^{H}(z,s) = \sum_{i} \int_{x_{H}}^{1} \frac{dy}{y} D_{i}^{H}(\frac{x_{H}}{x_{i}}, \mu_{f}) \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}} \frac{d\sigma_{i}}{dx_{i}}(x_{i}, \mu_{r}, \mu_{f}),$$
(18)

In the above equation μ_r and μ_f are the renormalization and factorization scales respectively.

$$\mu_r = \mu_f = \sqrt{s}$$

D-meson

CLEO

CLEO collaboration published their results in the form of $\frac{d\sigma}{dx_0}$. These data sets are located much closer to the thresholds $\sqrt{s} = 2m_c$ and $\sqrt{s} = 2m_b$ of the transitions $c \to H_c$ and $b \to H_b$, than those from OPAL. Hence, including the CLEO data sets in the analysis might be a reason for tension. To check this point, we converted the CLEO data to the desired form $d\sigma/dx_D$ as follow

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_D} = \frac{d\sigma}{dx_p} \left(1 + \frac{4}{x_p^2} \frac{m_H^2}{s} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
 (19)

Heavy meson production in top quark decay

Top quark decay

Meson production

Top quark decay process

$$t \to b + W^+(g) \to W^+ + H + X,\tag{20}$$

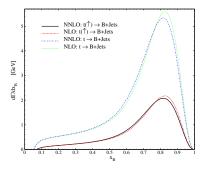
where, H = B, D mesons.

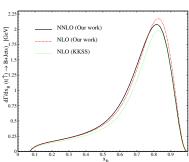
We apply the extracted heavy meson FFs to make our phenomenological predictions for the energy distribution of heavy mesons produced⁴

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dx_H} = \sum_{i=b,g} \int_{x_i^{min}}^{x_i^{max}} \frac{dx_i}{x_i} \frac{d\Gamma}{dx_i} (\mu_r, \mu_f) D_i^H \left(\frac{x_H}{x_i}, \mu_f\right), \tag{21}$$

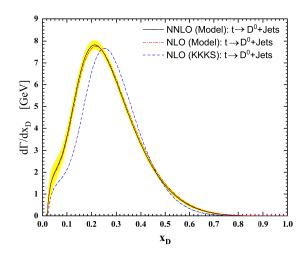
where $x_H = 2E_H/(m_t(1-\omega))$, $\omega = m_w^2/m_t^2$ and $\mu_r = \mu_f = m_t$.

B-mason energy spectrum

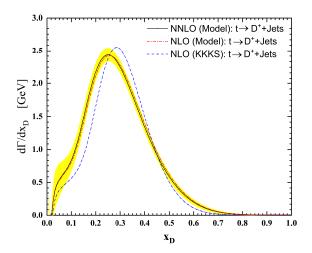




D^0 -mason energy spectrum



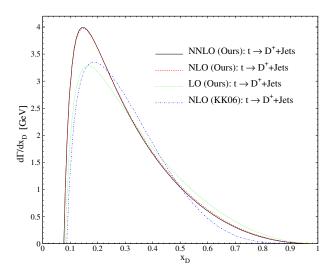
D^+ -mason energy spectrum



Heavy meson production in top quark decay

 L_{S}^{+} -meson production in top quark decay

D_s^+ -mason energy spectrum



Heavy meson production in top quark decay

 D_s^+ -meson production in top quark decay

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2(Q)}{Q^2} \left(\sum_{i}^{n_f} \tilde{e}_i^2(Q) \right) \left(1 + \alpha_s K_{\text{QCD}}^{(1)} + \alpha_s^2 K_{\text{QCD}}^{(2)} + \cdots \right), \tag{22}$$

where α and α_s are the tiny structure and the strong coupling constants, respectively, and the coefficients $K_{QCD}^{(i)}$ including $K_{QCD}^{(1)} = 3C_F/4\pi$ indicate the perturbative QCD corrections to the lowest order result and are currently known up to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$.