

**$J/\psi$  production through resolved photon processes at  $e^+e^-$  colliders**

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We consider  $J/\psi$  photoproduction in  $e^+e^-$  as well as linear photon colliders. We find that the process is dominated by the resolved photon channel. Both the once-resolved and twice-resolved cross sections are sensitive to (different combinations of) the color octet matrix elements. Hence, this may be a good testing ground for color octet contributions in NRQCD. On the other hand, the once-resolved  $J/\psi$  production cross section, particularly in a linear photon collider, is sensitive to the gluon content of the photon. Hence these cross sections can be used to determine the parton distribution functions, especially the gluon distribution, in a photon, if the color octet matrix elements are known.

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**I. INTRODUCTION**

There has been considerable interest in the production of  $J/\psi$  at various colliders ever since the large discrepancy between the measured rate of  $J/\psi$  production and the (much smaller) prediction of the color singlet (CS) model was first observed at the Fermilab  $p\bar{p}$  collider Tevatron [1]. An analysis of the data [2] using the nonrelativistic QCD (NRQCD) factorization approach by Bodwin, Braaten and Lepage [3] yielded color octet (CO) contributions which seemed almost an order of magnitude larger than the CS term. However, later data from the DESY  $ep$  collider HERA [4] did not see the anticipated excess, especially at large  $z$  values (where  $z$  is the inelasticity variable). Analyses of both fusion [5] and fragmentation [6] contributions to both direct and resolved photon contributions to  $J/\psi$  production at the HERA  $ep$  collider have been performed. In fact, the zero  $p_T$  result has also been evaluated to next leading order (NLO) [7].

The measurement of the  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S)$  polarization at the Tevatron [8] also did not show the expected large polarization with increasing  $p_T$  as predicted by NRQCD with a dominant color octet contribution [9,10].

This may be attributed to the larger uncertainty of the nonperturbative color octet matrix elements  $\langle 0 | \mathcal{O}^{J/\psi}[n] | 0 \rangle$  that contribute in the large- $z$  region. More recently, it has been proposed [11] that inclusion of the nonvanishing transverse momenta of the colliding partons may drastically change the cross section, especially at large transverse momenta. In particular, calculations in NRQCD are usually based on collinear factorization. On including the  $k_\perp$  effects, it is possible to fit the octet matrix element  $\langle \mathcal{O}^{J/\psi}[8,^3S_1] \rangle$  to a much smaller value [12] than that from NRQCD in the collinear limit. This term contributed most substantially to the  $J/\psi$  polarization; hence this may resolve the problem of the observed  $J/\psi$  polarization at the Tevatron [12]. However, the discrepancy between the CO fits to the hadroproduction

(Tevatron) and leptoproduction (HERA) data remains. It is therefore interesting to estimate the CO as well as CS contributions to  $J/\psi$  production in various other processes.

Here, we examine the dependence of CO  $J/\psi$  photoproduction on the various NRQCD matrix elements in  $e^+e^-$  and photon-photon colliders. (Prompt production at  $e^+e^-$  colliders has been studied in Ref. [13].) Apart from the direct contribution, there are contributions from diagrams where either one or both of the photons is resolved, so that the underlying parton structure is probed. We are concerned here with these resolved photon contributions, the direct contribution being small, as has already been observed for the case of  $\gamma\gamma$  colliders [14,15].

In particular, there are both color singlet (CS) and color octet (CO) contributions to each of these processes. The CS cross section is well known [16]; in fact, it has long since been established that the once resolved (1-res) photon contribution dominates the twice resolved (2-res) photon contribution in the CS case; this was in fact used to estimate the gluon content of the photon [17]. The 1-res case is similar to leptoproduction while the 2-res case is analogous to hadroproduction in  $p\bar{p}$  collisions; hence it will be possible to examine both kinds of processes in a single experiment. Also, effects of intrinsic  $k_\perp$  should be different in  $\gamma\gamma$  scattering as compared to  $ep$  or  $p\bar{p}$  processes. In the context of the currently discussed  $k_\perp$  factorization as the solution to the observed  $J/\psi$  polarization at the Tevatron, it would therefore be interesting to study  $J/\psi$  production in these  $\gamma\gamma$  processes.

These resolved processes have a very different topology from that of the direct processes; hence they can be easily identified. For instance, resolved photon processes have an extra (spectator) jet occurring when a colored parton of the photon interacts directly in the hard scattering rather than the color singlet photon itself. Usually this jet is in the same direction as the parent photon (or electron); indeed, it is analogous to the forward jet of remnants produced from deep

inelastic scattering off a hadron target. A twice-resolved process, where both the photons are resolved into their parton components will thus have two such jets. Hence direct, 1-res and 2-res processes can be separated event by event, based on the observed topology.

The matrix elements in the CO case, with  $n = [8, {}^3S_1], [8, {}^1S_0]$ , and  $[8, {}^3P_J], J=0,1,2$ , are not as well established as the CS ones and have been obtained from  $J/\psi$  production at the Tevatron [2,18,19]. Though these are estimated to be about two orders of magnitude smaller than the CS matrix element, the CO contributions are not expected to be small since they correspond to diagrams of lower order in the strong coupling  $\alpha_s$ , or are enhanced by  $t$ -channel gluon exchange, forbidden in the leading-order color singlet cross section.

We shall therefore compute the CS and CO contributions to the  $J/\psi$  photoproduction cross section at photon-photon colliders, using certain reasonable estimates for the corresponding matrix elements. In the next section, we will define the choice of kinematics and list the various subprocesses that contribute to  $J/\psi$  production at an  $e^+e^-$  collider. Numerical results for the cross section at CERN  $e^+e^-$  collider LEP2 as well as a future possible linear collider at  $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV are presented in Sec. III. Section IV discusses the contrasting results obtained for a photon linear collider, where high intensity photon beams can be obtained by scattering laser beams off electron beams. Numerical results here are presented for the case  $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV, along with some discussions.

## II. $J/\psi$ PHOTOPRODUCTION IN $e^+e^-$ COLLIDERS

### A. Kinematics and cross sections

$J/\psi$  can be produced via direct  $\gamma\gamma$  interaction, or when either or both of the photons are resolved into their partonic constituents. We will refer to the direct interaction, and the once- and twice-resolved photon processes as direct, 1-res and 2-res processes respectively. Both color singlet (CS) and color octet (CO) subprocesses contribute to  $J/\psi$  production in these three channels. Also,  $2 \rightarrow 2$  as well as  $2 \rightarrow 1$  subprocesses contribute. Specifically, they are

Direct:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma\gamma \rightarrow (c\bar{c})\gamma \quad (\text{CS}), \\ \gamma\gamma \rightarrow (c\bar{c})g \quad (\text{CO}). \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

1-res:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma g_{\gamma} \rightarrow (c\bar{c}) \quad (\text{CO}), \\ \gamma g_{\gamma} \rightarrow (c\bar{c})g \quad (\text{CS, CO}), \\ \gamma q_{\gamma} \rightarrow (c\bar{c})q \quad (\text{CO}). \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

2-res:

$$\begin{aligned} g_{\gamma} g_{\gamma} \rightarrow (c\bar{c}) \quad (\text{CO}), \\ q_{\gamma} \bar{q}_{\gamma} \rightarrow (c\bar{c}) \quad (\text{CO}), \\ g_{\gamma} g_{\gamma} \rightarrow (c\bar{c})g \quad (\text{CS, CO}), \\ g_{\gamma} q_{\gamma} \rightarrow (c\bar{c})g \quad (\text{CO}), \\ q_{\gamma} \bar{q}_{\gamma} \rightarrow (c\bar{c})g \quad (\text{CO}). \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Note that the zero  $p_T$   $2 \rightarrow 1$  contributions are purely CO. The 1-res processes are analogous to those contributing to the  $ep$  or  $\gamma p$   $J/\psi$  production processes at HERA, while the 2-res ones are analogous to either the resolved  $J/\psi$  photoproduction processes at HERA or to  $J/\psi$  production at the Tevatron. In both cases, the parton densities in the proton are replaced by parton densities in the photon for the case of interest. Hence modulo the difference in parton densities, the production rate in the 1-res channel should reflect that seen at HERA and the 2-res channel that at Tevatron. The  $J/\psi$  production data from  $e^+e^-$  collisions can therefore provide a corroboration of the behavior seen at  $ep$  and  $p\bar{p}$  colliders, and establish whether there is indeed a dominant CO contribution in  $J/\psi$  production at colliders.

The cross section in the CM frame for the process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow J/\psi X$  is given by

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{dx_1 dx_2 d\hat{t}} = p_1(x_1) p_2(x_2) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{d\hat{t}} + (x_1 \leftrightarrow x_2),$$

where 1 and 2 refer to the  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  respectively. Here  $p_e(x)$  corresponds to  $\gamma_e(x)$  for the case of the unresolved photon and equals the convolution,

$$p_e(x) = \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} \gamma_e(y) p_{\gamma}(x/y),$$

in terms of the parton density  $p_{\gamma}(x)$ ,  $p = q, g$ , in the resolved photon. We use the Weizsäcker-Williams approximation (WWA) for the bremsstrahlung photon distribution from an electron:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_e(z) = \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1 + (1-z)^2}{z} \log(q_{\text{max}}^2/q_{\text{min}}^2) \right. \\ \left. + 2m_e^2 z \left( \frac{1}{q_{\text{max}}^2} - \frac{1}{q_{\text{min}}^2} \right) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

where  $q_{\text{min}}^2 = m_e^2 z^2 / (1-z)$  and  $q_{\text{max}}^2 = (E\theta)^2 (1-z) + q_{\text{min}}^2$ . Here  $z = E_{\gamma}/E_e$ ,  $\theta$  is the angular cut that ensures the photon is real, and  $E = E_e = \sqrt{s}/2$ . We use a typical value of  $\theta = 0.03$  in our analysis for  $\sqrt{s} = 175$  GeV.

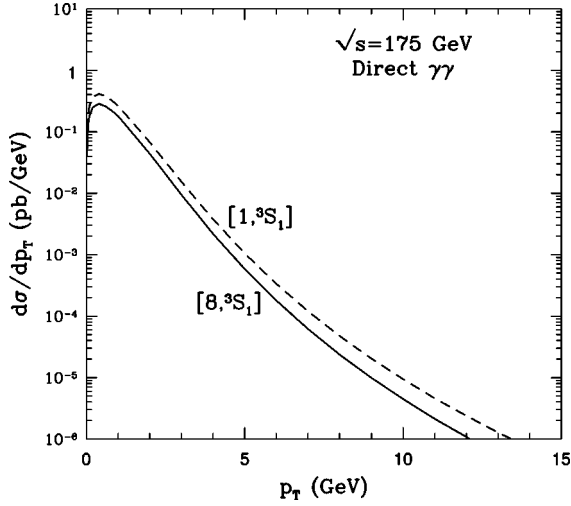


FIG. 1. The direct  $J/\psi$  photoproduction cross section at LEP2 is shown as a function of  $p_T$ . The CS and CO contributions are separately shown.

### III. NUMERICAL RESULTS

We recast the cross section in terms of the hadronic variables,  $y_1$ ,  $y_2$  and  $p_T$  and compute the  $p_T$  dependence of the cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_T}(e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^- J/\psi X).$$

We use a common renormalization and factorization scale,  $q^2 = (m_c^2 + p_T^2)$  with  $m_c = 1.5$  GeV and  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4 = 200$  MeV. We use the Glück-Reya-Vogt (GRV) leading order (LO) parametrization [20] for the parton densities inside the photon. Similar results are obtained on using the WHIT parametrization [21] instead.

We shall use the following reasonable choices for the matrix elements which are consistent with the allowed values:  $\langle O^{J/\psi}[1, {}^3S_1] \rangle = 1.16$  GeV<sup>3</sup>,  $\langle O^{J/\psi}[8, {}^3S_1] \rangle = 10^{-2}$  GeV<sup>3</sup>,  $\langle O^{J/\psi}[8, {}^1S_0] \rangle = 10^{-2}$  GeV<sup>3</sup>,  $\langle O^{J/\psi}[8, {}^3P_0] \rangle / m_c^2 = 10^{-2}$  GeV<sup>3</sup>, where the remaining  $J$  values are fixed from symmetry:  $\langle O^{J/\psi}[8, {}^3P_J] \rangle = (2J+1) \langle O^{J/\psi}[8, {}^3P_0] \rangle$ .

We compute the  $p_T$  dependence of the cross section for the direct  $\gamma\gamma$ , the 1-res photon and the 2-res photon cases. The CS and CO cross sections,  $d\hat{\sigma}/d\hat{t}$ , for all the processes listed in Eqs. (1)–(3) are known [14,22,23]. The results for the direct case are shown in Fig. 1, where the differential cross section for the direct  $\gamma\gamma$  interaction [14] is plotted as a function of  $p_T$ . The  $[8, {}^3S_1]$  octet matrix element that occurs here does not contribute dominantly to this cross section.

For the 1-res case, there are contributions from the  ${}^3S_1$ ,  ${}^1S_0$  and  ${}^3P_J$  octet matrix elements apart from the singlet  ${}^3S_1$  term [22]. The  $\gamma g$  interaction term is expected to dominate this cross section. These are shown as dashed lines in Fig. 2, where the individual contributions are shown. The slope ( $p_T$  dependence) of the octet  $[8, {}^1S_0]$  and  $[8, {}^3P_J]$  terms is very similar with the ratio of the two contributions ranging from about 0.15 near  $p_T = 1$  GeV to about 0.32 near  $p_T = 15$  GeV for  $m_c = 1.5$  GeV. The slopes of the singlet and

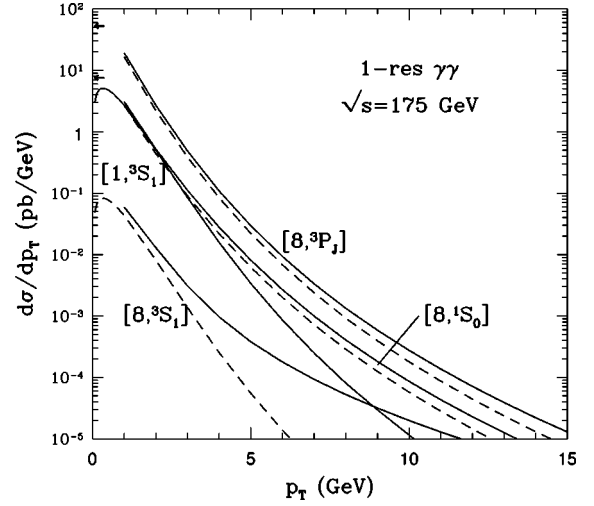


FIG. 2. The  $J/\psi$  photoproduction cross section from once-resolved (1-res) processes at LEP2 is shown as a function of  $p_T$ . The CS and CO contributions are separately shown. The dashed (solid) lines correspond to the gluon (total) CO cross sections, the two differing substantially only for the  ${}^3S_1$  case. The arrows indicate the zero  $p_T$   $[8, {}^3P_J]$  and  $[8, {}^1S_0]$  cross sections (in pb), arising from the corresponding  $2 \rightarrow 1$  subprocesses.

octet  ${}^3S_1$  terms are very different from these. Hence it may be possible to separate the contribution involving the combination of matrix elements  $(\langle O^{J/\psi}[8, {}^1S_0] \rangle + 7\langle O^{J/\psi}[8, {}^3P_J] \rangle / m_c^2)$  from that of the  ${}^3S_1$  terms, at small  $p_T$ . (At larger  $p_T$ , the cross section drops off rapidly.)

A note about the cross section as  $p_T \rightarrow 0$ . While the direct cross section remains finite for  $p_T \rightarrow 0$ , only the  ${}^3S_1$  singlet and octet terms are finite for the 1-res case. The  $2 \rightarrow 2$  processes involving the  ${}^1S_0$  and  ${}^3P_J$  terms diverge in the small- $p_T$  limit. However, precisely these processes have a finite CO contribution from the  $2 \rightarrow 1$  zero  $p_T$  processes; in fact, these  $2 \rightarrow 2$   $\gamma g \rightarrow (c\bar{c})g$  processes at  $p_T \rightarrow 0$  are just these  $2 \rightarrow 1$  processes with a soft gluon emission. The apparent divergence of the  $2 \rightarrow 2$  cross section at  $p_T \rightarrow 0$  can be resummed into a finite correction to the  $2 \rightarrow 1$  lower order process ( $K$ -factor) [7]. Hence the  $p_T = 0$  cross section for the  $[8, {}^1S_0]$  and  $[8, {}^3P_J]$  processes is within a  $K$ -factor of the corresponding  $2 \rightarrow 1$  cross section<sup>1</sup> which is indicated by the arrows marked in Fig. 2.

Finally, the effect of including the  $\gamma q$  terms is shown by the solid lines in Fig. 2. The quark contribution increases with  $p_T$  and is small. The one exception is the  $[8, {}^3S_1]$  contribution which is significantly enhanced by inclusion of the quark diagrams; however, this may still not be large enough to be observable. The  $\gamma q$  cross section also diverges at small  $p_T$ . Here there is no corresponding  $2 \rightarrow 1$  lower order process. However, the  $J/\psi$  here is produced by fragmentation of a gluon; the soft divergence at  $p_T = 0$  must therefore be ab-

<sup>1</sup>The  $2 \rightarrow 1$  cross sections shown in Fig. 2 of Ref. [24] should have been multiplied by the corresponding matrix elements, that is, by a factor of  $10^{-2}$ . Hence the conclusion drawn in that article about a substantial  $2 \rightarrow 1$  contribution at zero  $p_T$  is wrong.

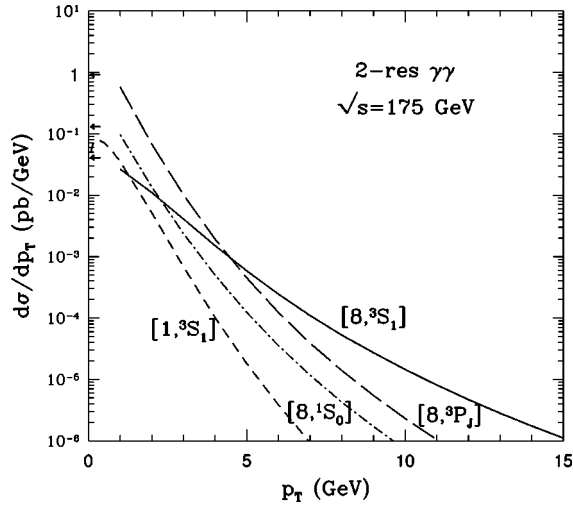


FIG. 3. The  $J/\psi$  photoproduction cross section from twice-resolved (2-res) processes at LEP2 is shown as a function of  $p_T$ . The CS and CO contributions are separately shown. The arrows indicate the zero  $p_T$   $[8, {}^3P_J]$ ,  $[8, {}^1S_0]$  and  $[8, {}^3S_1]$  cross sections (in pb), arising from the corresponding  $2 \rightarrow 1$  subprocesses.

sorbed into the fragmentation function in this case.

The subprocess cross sections for 2-res processes are the same as those for  $p\bar{p}$  collisions [23] since the parton content of both photons is resolved in this case. Contributions are from  $gg$ ,  $gq$  and  $q\bar{q}$  subprocesses. Here it turns out that the octet  $[8, {}^3S_1]$  term dominates at large  $p_T$  as can be seen from Fig. 3. The  $[8, {}^1S_0]$  and the  $[8, {}^3P_J]$  terms dominate at low  $p_T$  and contribute in the same ratio as in the 1-res case. Notice that the  $(\langle O^{J/\psi}[8, {}^1S_0] \rangle + 7\langle O^{J/\psi}[8, {}^3P_J] \rangle / m_c^2)$  contribution is much larger than the CS term, unlike in the 1-res case. Hence, even if the octet matrix elements are overestimated by a factor of 10, the CO contribution is still substantial in the 2-res case. Note also that, while the 2-res cross section is only a few percent of the 1-res one, it can be kinematically easily distinguished from the 1-res case and can be analyzed for its CO content. Hence it may be possible to determine these CO matrix elements accurately through the 2-res channel. As in the 1-res case, the arrows in Fig. 3 at  $p_T=0$  indicate the  $2 \rightarrow 1$  contribution from the octet  $[8, {}^3S_1]$ ,  $[8, {}^1S_0]$  and  $[8, {}^3P_J]$  terms. The actual  $p_T=0$  cross section will be within a  $K$ -factor of this (from the soft limit of the corresponding  $2 \rightarrow 2$  diagrams). The CS term is finite as  $p_T \rightarrow 0$ , as in the 1-res case. At a collider, it may be possible to observe the zero  $p_T$   $J/\psi$ 's by reconstructing the leptonic decay mode.

We note that the factorization of quarkonium production cross sections has not been proven with complete rigor. The  $2 \rightarrow 1$  contributions (both for the 1-res and 2-res cases) can in principle absorb the soft and collinear singularities seen in the corresponding  $p_T \rightarrow 0$   $2 \rightarrow 2$  contributions [7]. These can then be considered as a first step towards establishing factorization of the NRQCD cross sections.

Even if factorization holds, one may expect large higher-twist corrections as  $p_T \rightarrow 0$ . At small  $p_T$  higher twists are induced by interaction of the heavy  $Q\bar{Q}$  pair with the for-

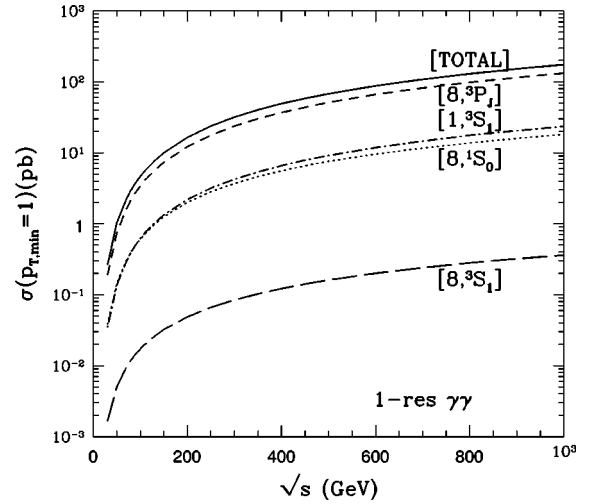


FIG. 4. The 1-res  $J/\psi$  photoproduction cross section integrated over  $p_T$  from  $p_{T,\min}=1$  GeV, shown as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$ . The CS, CO and total contributions are separately shown.

ward jet. We point out a peculiarity in the case of photon-photon interactions: the forward jet(s) originate from the photonic remnant and in fact need to be observed in order to classify the interaction as ‘‘Direct,’’ ‘‘1-res,’’ etc.; hence any interaction with these jets will alter them in an observable way. It may then be possible to study higher twist effects and/or non-factorizable corrections systematically. The impact of such phenomena is among the issues that needs to be addressed in future theoretical work.

Our predictions are therefore expected to be more reliable for quarkonium produced at non-zero transverse momentum.

There exists substantial amount of data from LEP at  $\sqrt{s} = 189$  GeV as well; the results in this case are very similar to what is obtained at the slightly smaller value of  $\sqrt{s}$  used here. The variation of the cross section with the c.m. energy is shown in the next two figures. The total 1-res cross section (integrated from  $p_{T,\min}=1$  GeV to a kinematical maximum of  $p_{T,\max}=\sqrt{s}/2$ ) is shown in Fig. 4 as a function of the center of mass energy,  $\sqrt{s}$ . The cross section is small at lower energies, as are available at colliders such as TRISTAN but increases with  $\sqrt{s}$ . The cross section at an  $e^+e^-$  collider with  $\sqrt{s}=500$  GeV is  $\sigma(p_{T,\min}=1 \text{ GeV})=68$  pb. The number of  $J/\psi$ 's seen will depend on the luminosity, and the branching fraction of the cleanest decay mode,  $J/\psi \rightarrow l^+l^-$ , which is 6%. However the ratio of the octet  $[8, {}^1S_0]$  to  $[8, {}^3P_J]$  terms is a fairly steady 0.15 over a large range of  $\sqrt{s}$ . Hence it is possible that a combination of 1-res and 2-res processes at  $e^+e^-$  colliders can help determine the universal CO matrix elements occurring in  $J/\psi$  production.

The corresponding total cross section for the 2-res case is plotted in Fig. 5. In general, the inclusion of CO terms does not affect the result that the 1-res dominates the 2-res contributions. Also, we find that the CO contribution is much larger than the CS one; this may also reflect the fact that we have used octet matrix elements from the Tevatron fits which may overestimate  $J/\psi$  production at HERA. However, independently of this, the 1-res contribution dominates. This is in

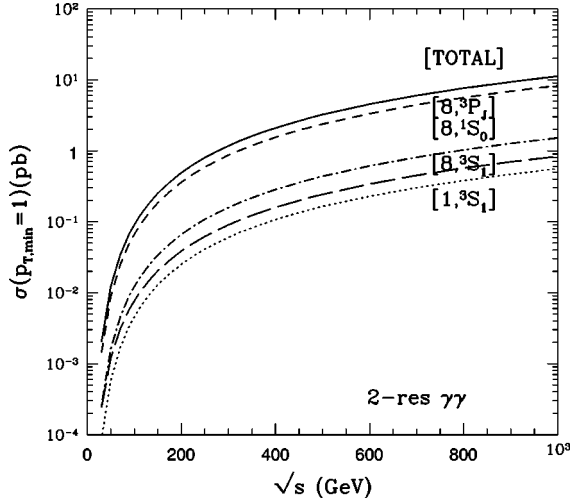


FIG. 5. As in Fig. 4 for the integrated 1-res cross section, but for the 2-res case.

contrast to the  $e$ - $p$  case, for example, at HERA, where the resolved photon contribution (corresponding to the 2-res term in  $\gamma\gamma$  collisions) is an appreciable fraction of the direct one (corresponding to the 1-res term of  $\gamma\gamma$  collisions) [25,26].

Realistic acceptance cuts on the lepton angle and  $p_T$  should reduce the event rates at TRISTAN by approximately a factor two but only by about 10% in the case of LEP2. Accurate estimates will be presented in a future work.

In the case of larger  $p_T$  events, the situation is not so promising, since the production rate falls very rapidly with  $p_T$ . What may be interesting to examine is whether rapidity cuts will enhance the color octet contribution or else distinguish in some way the CO from the CS part. We leave this question to future work.

Finally, we remark that there is a further uncertainty in  $e^+e^-$  collisions compared to  $e$ - $p$  collisions since the parton densities in the photon are not as well known as those in the proton.

The dependence of the cross section on the choice of parametrization is shown in Fig. 6. The four panels show the sensitivity of the individual gluon contribution only for the different 1-res singlet and CO contributions when the WHIT rather than the GRV parametrizations are used. The WHIT1 gluon is closest to the GRV gluon. The WHIT2,3 are smaller at  $x > 0.1$  while the WHIT4 has a gluon that is twice that of WHIT1. While the corrections are rather large, especially for the WHIT4 density, where it exceeds 50%, the  $p_T$  dependence is the same (in all 4 panels) for a given parametrization for all the CS and CO terms and is rather flat. Unless the CS and CO matrix elements are known to precision, therefore, it may not be possible to distinguish the different parametrizations from the 1-res cross section.

This can be seen from Fig. 7 where the 1-res and 2-res cross sections are shown for a future linear collider at  $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV. The total cross section is about an order of magnitude larger than at LEP2; however, the other features (such as the  $p_T$  dependence of the various CS and CO contributions) remain the same when we go to larger  $\sqrt{s}$  values.

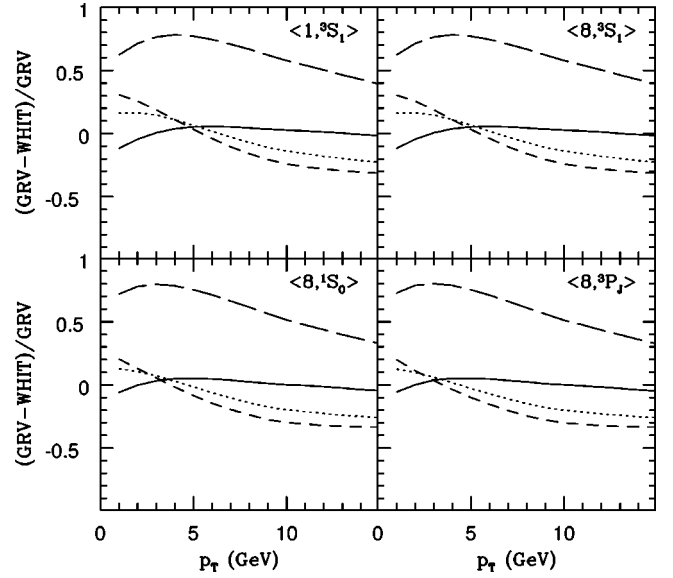


FIG. 6. The variation of the  $J/\psi$  photoproduction cross section from once-resolved (1-res) processes at LEP2 for different parametrizations of the photon density is shown as a function of  $p_T$ . The solid, dotted, dashed and long-dashed lines correspond to the WHIT1,2,3,4 parametrizations for the gluon density.

The sensitivity of the cross section to the choice of parton densities in a photon is also shown in this figure. There is not much difference between the predictions from the GRV [20] and WHIT4 [21] parton distribution sets for the 1-res case. However, since both photons are resolved into their partonic content in the 2-res case, the predictions are more sensitive to the densities in the 2-res case. It is seen that the cross sections are systematically higher when the WHIT4 parametrization is used than with the GRV set. However, the shape ( $p_T$  dependence) remains roughly the same, independent of choice of parametrization.

#### IV. $J/\psi$ PRODUCTION FROM A PHOTON LINEAR COLLIDER

High intensity photon beams can be obtained by back-scattering of laser beams off electron beams. Such a photon

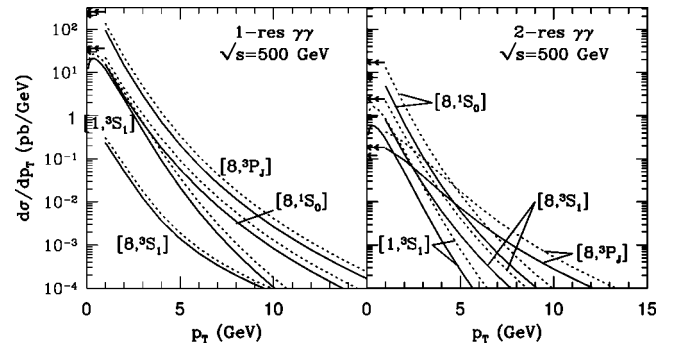


FIG. 7. The total CS and CO 1-res and 2-res  $J/\psi$  photoproduction cross sections shown as a function of  $p_T$  for a future  $e^+e^-$  linear collider at  $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV. Solid and dotted lines correspond to the use of GRV and WHIT4 parametrizations for the parton densities in a photon. The zero  $p_T$  2 $\rightarrow$ 1 contributions (in pb) are indicated by (double) arrows for the (WHIT) GRV cases, respectively.

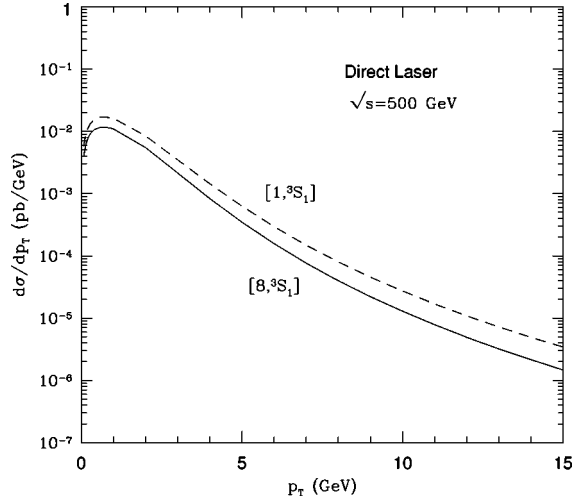


FIG. 8. The same as Fig. 1, but for a laser backscattered photon at  $\sqrt{s}=500$  GeV.

linear collider can have high energies of  $\sqrt{s}=500\text{--}1000$  GeV and very high luminosity. Hence there has recently been a great deal of interest in such colliders.

The  $J/\psi$  production processes here are the same as in  $e^+e^-$  colliders. Since the photons are accelerated by backscattering, they are distributed very differently from the WWA case. In place of Eq. (4) for the WWA photons, we have

$$\gamma_{\text{laser}}(z) = \left( \frac{1}{1-z} + 1 - z - 4r(1-r) \right) \frac{1}{\sigma_c}, \quad (5)$$

where  $r=z/(\kappa(1-z))$  and the maximum energy of the photon is limited to  $z_{\text{max}}=\kappa/(1+\kappa)$ , where the dimensionless variable,  $\kappa$ , is given by

$$\kappa = \frac{4E_b E_0}{m_e^2} \cos \theta/2,$$

for an electron beam of energy  $E_b$ , a laser of energy  $E_0$  and  $\theta$  the angle between them. Here,

$$\sigma_c = \log(1+\kappa) + z_{\text{max}}^2 \left( \frac{\kappa+2}{2\kappa} \right) + \frac{4}{\kappa} [z_{\text{max}} + \kappa - 2 \log(1+\kappa)],$$

and we choose  $\kappa=4.83$  to avoid background from pair creation processes,  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$ , in the collision.

We again use the GRV parametrization [20] for parton distributions in the photon and compute the same cross section, but for the laser back-scattered photon-photon scattering. That is, the subprocesses are the same as for the  $e^+e^-$  case, but the laser photon distribution given in Eq. (5) is to be used instead of the WWA distribution. We present the results for such a future collider with  $\sqrt{s}=500$  GeV in Figs. 8,9,10. Since the subprocesses are the same as in the  $e^+e^-$  case, the  $p_T$  dependences are the same as before, with the same behavior of the octet  $[8,^1S_0]$  and  $[8,^3P_J]$  terms. The advantage here is in the event rate which is much larger than in  $e^+e^-$  colliders, as can be seen from the much larger cross

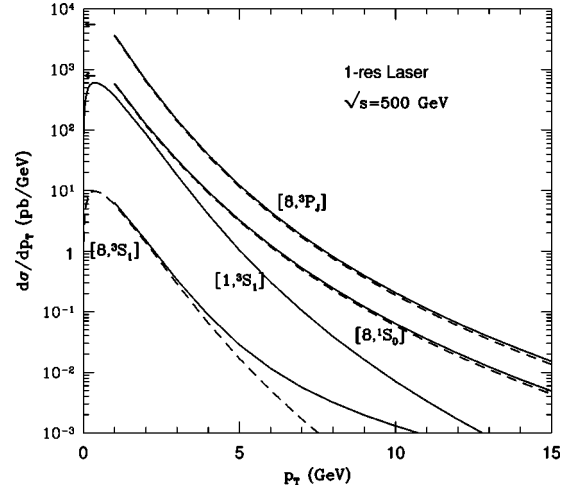


FIG. 9. The same as Fig. 2, but for a laser backscattered photon at  $\sqrt{s}=500$  GeV.

section in this case. Furthermore, the direct contribution in photon colliders is much smaller (by about two orders of magnitude) than in  $e^+e^-$  colliders. Hence  $J/\psi$  production at photon colliders will be dominated by the resolved contributions. Photon colliders will therefore be good sites for testing the color octet contribution and obtaining the octet matrix elements that occur in  $J/\psi$  production. Furthermore, the quark contribution to the 1-res case is negligible here. Hence the 1-res cross section is proportional to the gluon content of the photon.

We have ignored the contribution to the cross section from  $\chi$  feed-down; however, with sufficient data, it may be possible to separate the prompt  $J/\psi$  production rate from these decay modes. It may still be hard to separate out the individual octet  $[8,^1S_0]$  and  $[8,^3P_J]$  contributions in these processes.

In conclusion,  $J/\psi$  photoproduction at both  $e^+e^-$  as well as photon linear colliders can prove to be a sensitive testing ground to determine the color octet contribution in  $J/\psi$  production. This, in comparison with the data from  $p\bar{p}$  and  $ep$

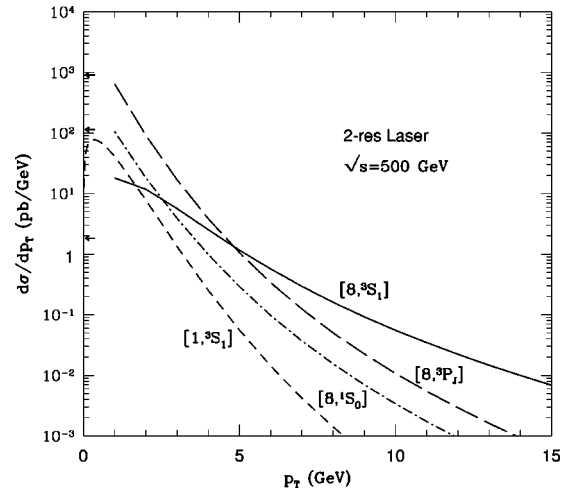


FIG. 10. The same as Fig. 3, but for a laser backscattered photon at  $\sqrt{s}=500$  GeV.

colliders, can help determine the color octet matrix elements involved in  $J/\psi$  production. It is also possible to use the shape of the  $p_T$  spectrum to determine the various contributions. Turning the problem around, if the NRQCD matrix elements for the process are determined by other experiments, it is possible to use the measured  $J/\psi$  photoproduction cross sections as proposed in this paper, to determine the parton distribution functions in a resolved photon.

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