



In the lab frame, K :

$$P_W = (E_W, 0, 0, p_W), \quad P_u = (E_u, p_u \sin \theta_u, 0, p_u \cos \theta_u), \quad P_d = (E_d, -p_d \sin \theta_d, 0, p_d \cos \theta_d) \quad (1)$$

Since $m_u \ll E_u$ and $m_d \ll E_d$,

$$P_u = (E_u, E_u \sin \theta_u, 0, E_u \cos \theta_u), \quad P_d = (E_d, -E_d \sin \theta_d, 0, E_d \cos \theta_d) \quad (2)$$

By conservation of momentum,

$$\begin{cases} E_W = E_u + E_d, \\ E_u \sin \theta_u = E_d \sin \theta_d, \\ p_W = E_u \cos \theta_u + E_d \cos \theta_d. \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} + \\ E_d^2 \cos^2 \theta_d = p_W^2 + E_u^2 \cos^2 \theta_u - 2p_W E_u \cos \theta_u \\ E_u^2 \sin^2 \theta_u = E_d^2 \sin^2 \theta_d \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta_u = \frac{p_W^2 + E_u^2 - E_d^2}{2p_W E_u} \quad (4)$$

$$E^2 = p^2 + m^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad p_W = \sqrt{E_W^2 - m_W^2} = E_W \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{m_W}{E_W}\right)^2} \quad (5)$$

In the CM frame, K' :

$$P'_W = (m_W, 0, 0, 0), \quad P'_u = (E'_u, p'_u \sin \theta'_u, 0, p'_u \cos \theta'_u), \quad P'_d = (E'_d, -p'_d \sin \theta'_d, 0, p'_d \cos \theta'_d). \quad (6)$$

$$P'_u = (E'_u, E'_u \sin \theta'_u, 0, E'_u \cos \theta'_u), \quad P'_d = (E'_d, -E'_d \sin \theta'_d, 0, E'_d \cos \theta'_d). \quad (7)$$

There is no net momentum in the CM frame, so from Eq. (7) and 6,

$$E'_u = E'_d = \frac{m_W}{2}, \quad \text{and} \quad \theta'_u + \theta'_d = \pi \quad (8)$$

$$\sin \theta'_u = \sin \theta'_d, \quad \text{and} \quad \cos \theta'_u = -\cos \theta'_d \quad (9)$$

So,

$$P'_u = \frac{m_W}{2}(1, \sin \theta'_u, 0, \cos \theta'_u), \quad P'_d = \frac{m_W}{2}(1, -\sin \theta'_u, 0, -\cos \theta'_u). \quad (10)$$

Special case, $\theta'_u = \pi/2$:

By symmetry,

$$E_u = E_d = \frac{E_W}{2} \quad (11)$$

Substituting into Eq. (4),

$$\cos \theta_u = \frac{p_W^2 + E_u^2 - E_d^2}{2p_W E_u} = \frac{p_W}{2E_u} = \frac{p_W}{E_W} \quad (12)$$

$$\sin \theta_u = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta_u} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{p_W^2}{E_W^2}} \quad (13)$$

Applying Eq. (5),

$$\sin \theta_u = \sqrt{1 - \left(1 - \left(\frac{m_W}{E_W}\right)^2\right)} = \frac{m_W}{E_W} \quad (14)$$

For high energy W , the angle between the transversely emitted quarks in the lab frame can be approximated as

$$\theta = 2\theta_u \approx 2 \sin \theta_u = \frac{2m_W}{E_W} \quad (15)$$

This is in fact asymptotically minimum angle.

General case:

$$P_W = \Lambda P'_W \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} E_W \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ p_W \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma\beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \gamma\beta & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m_W \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} E_W = \gamma m_W \\ p_W = \gamma\beta m_W \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

$$\gamma = \frac{E_W}{m_W}, \quad \gamma\beta = \frac{p_W}{m_W}, \quad \beta = \frac{p_W}{E_W} \quad (17)$$

$$E_q \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \pm \sin \theta_q \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta_q \end{pmatrix} = P_q = \Lambda P'_q = \frac{m_W}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma\beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \gamma\beta & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \pm \sin \theta'_u \\ 0 \\ \pm \cos \theta'_u \end{pmatrix} = \frac{m_W}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma \pm \gamma\beta \cos \theta'_u \\ \pm \sin \theta'_u \\ 0 \\ \gamma\beta \pm \gamma \cos \theta'_u \end{pmatrix} \quad (18)$$

$$E_q = \frac{m_W}{2} (\gamma \pm \gamma\beta \cos \theta'_u) = \frac{E_W}{2} (1 \pm \beta \cos \theta'_u) \quad (19)$$

Substituting into Eq. (4),

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta_u &= \frac{p_W^2 + E_u^2 - E_d^2}{2p_W E_u} = \frac{\beta^2 E_W^2 + \frac{E_W^2}{4} [(1 + \beta \cos \theta'_u)^2 - (1 - \beta \cos \theta'_u)^2]}{\beta E_W^2 (1 + \beta \cos \theta'_u)} \\ &= \frac{\beta^2 + \frac{1}{4} [(1 + \beta \cos \theta'_u)^2 - (1 - \beta \cos \theta'_u)^2]}{\beta (1 + \beta \cos \theta'_u)} = \frac{\beta^2 + \beta \cos \theta'_u}{\beta (1 + \beta \cos \theta'_u)} = \frac{\beta + \cos \theta'_u}{1 + \beta \cos \theta'_u} \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Likewise,

$$\cos \theta_d = \frac{p_W^2 + E_d^2 - E_u^2}{2p_W E_d} = \frac{\beta^2 E_W^2 + \frac{E_W^2}{4} [(1 - \beta \cos \theta'_u)^2 - (1 + \beta \cos \theta'_u)^2]}{\beta E_W^2 (1 - \beta \cos \theta'_u)} = \frac{\beta - \cos \theta'_u}{1 - \beta \cos \theta'_u} \quad (21)$$

$$\sin \theta_q = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta_q} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\beta \pm \cos \theta'_u}{1 \pm \beta \cos \theta'_u} \right)^2} = \frac{\sin \theta'_u}{\gamma \pm \gamma \beta \cos \theta'_u} \quad (22)$$

$$\gamma = \frac{E_W}{m_W}, \quad \beta = \frac{p_W}{E_W} = \frac{\sqrt{E_W^2 - m_W^2}}{E_W} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{m_W}{E_W} \right)^2} = \sqrt{1 - \gamma^{-2}} \quad (23)$$

$$\gamma \beta = \frac{p_W}{m_W} = \frac{\sqrt{E_W^2 - m_W^2}}{m_W} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{E_W}{m_W} \right)^2 - 1} = \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \quad (24)$$

$$\boxed{\sin \theta_q = \frac{\sin \theta'_u}{\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \cos \theta'_u}} \quad (25)$$

This is the exact result. Only the approximation of massless quarks has been made, which is very accurate, given the mass of W is $m^W = 80.4$ GeV and the masses of the quarks are $m^u = 2.3$ MeV and $m^d = 4.8$ MeV.

In the limit of large γ ,

$$\sin \theta_q = \frac{\sin \theta'_u}{\gamma(1 \pm \cos \theta'_u)} \approx \theta_q \quad (26)$$

The angle between emitted quarks is then

$$\theta \approx \frac{\sin \theta'_u}{\gamma(1 + \cos \theta'_u)} + \frac{\sin \theta'_u}{\gamma(1 - \cos \theta'_u)} = \frac{2}{\gamma} \frac{1}{\sin \theta'_u} \quad (27)$$

This gives Eq. (15), for $\theta'_u = \pi/2$.

Eq. (25) can be expressed as a tangent. Let $\sin \theta = A/B$, then

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta}} = \frac{A/B}{\sqrt{1 - A^2/B^2}} = \frac{A}{\sqrt{B^2 - A^2}} \quad (28)$$

From Eq. (25),

$$\begin{aligned} B^2 - A^2 &= \gamma^2 + (\gamma^2 - 1) \cos^2 \theta'_u \pm 2\gamma\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \cos \theta'_u - \sin^2 \theta'_u \\ &= \gamma^2 + \gamma^2 \cos^2 \theta'_u \pm 2\gamma\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \cos \theta'_u - 1 \\ &= (\gamma^2 - 1) \pm 2\gamma\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \cos \theta'_u + \gamma^2 \cos^2 \theta'_u \\ &= \left(\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \pm \gamma \cos \theta'_u \right)^2 = \gamma^2 (\beta \pm \cos \theta'_u)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

Therefore,

$$\boxed{\tan \theta_q = \frac{\sin \theta'_u}{\gamma (\beta \pm \cos \theta'_u)}} \quad (30)$$

Using the tangent of sum equation,

$$\tan \theta_{\text{opening}} = \tan(\theta_u + \theta_d) = \frac{\tan \theta_u + \tan \theta_d}{1 - \tan \theta_u \tan \theta_d} = \frac{2\beta\gamma \sin \theta'_u}{(\gamma^2 - 1) \sin^2 \theta'_u - 1} = \frac{2(\beta\gamma \sin \theta'_u)}{(\beta\gamma \sin \theta'_u)^2 - 1} \quad (31)$$

$$\theta_{\text{opening}} = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{2(\beta\gamma \sin \theta'_u)}{(\beta\gamma \sin \theta'_u)^2 - 1} \right] \quad (32)$$

