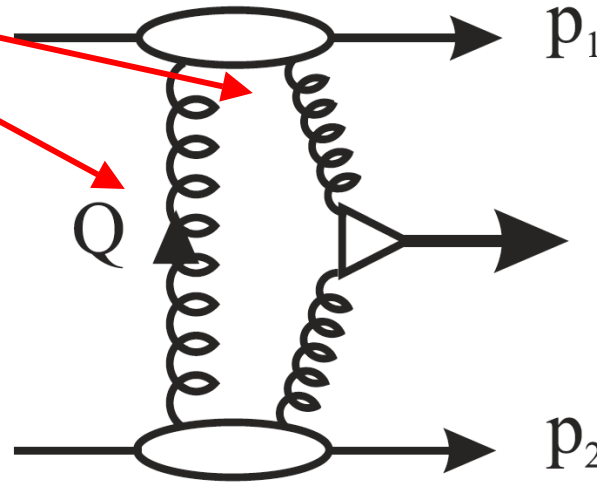


Diffraction at LHC, Tevatron and HERA

Even 'normal' people are becoming interested in diffraction at the LHC ...

Only 0^{++} (or 2^{++})
systems produced
 $b\bar{b}$ background
strongly suppressed



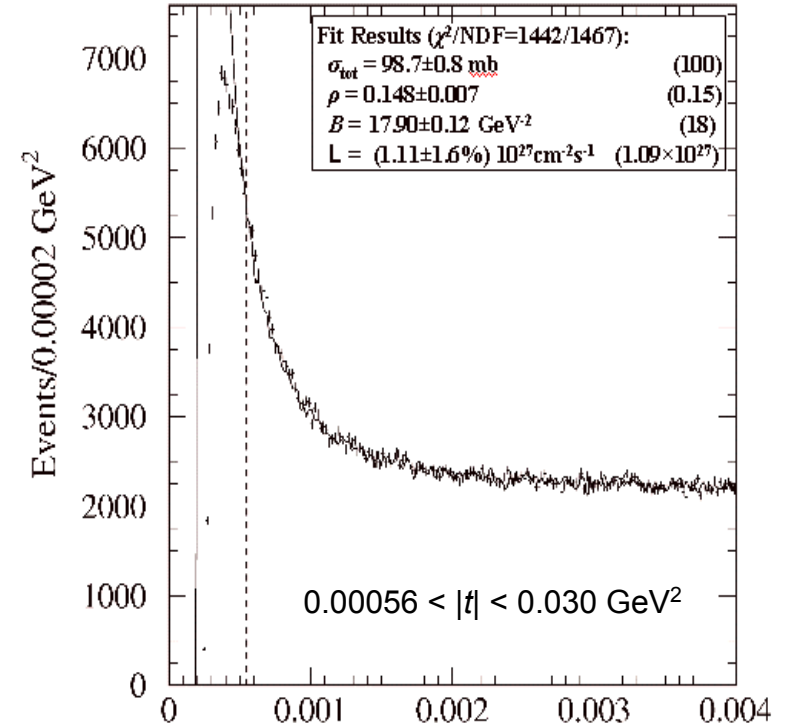
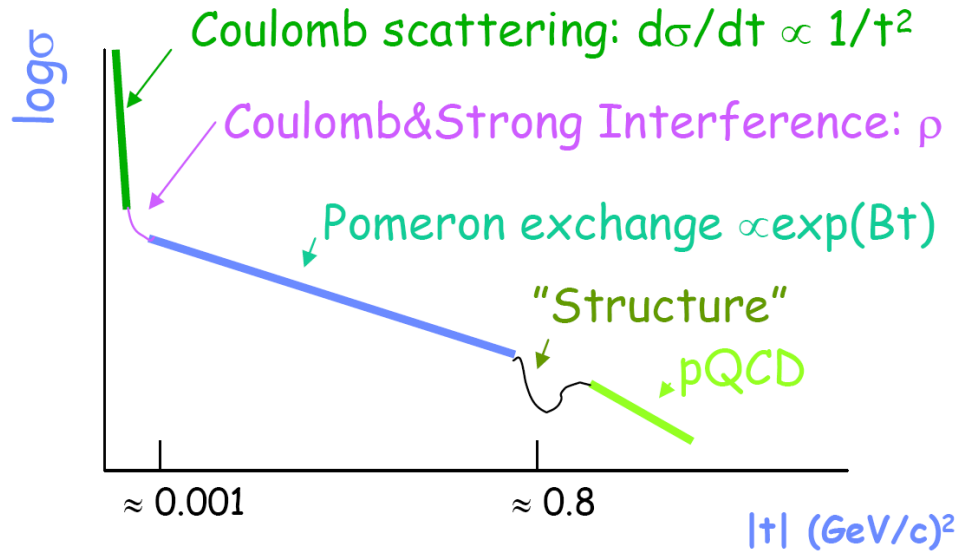
Improved mass
resolution

Very schematically, it's a glue-gluon collider where you know the beam energy of the gluons

- Is 'Central Exclusive Double Pomeron' process a useful tool at LHC?
- Do we understand diffractive processes well enough to use them for searches?

Elastic scattering

Atlas has alternative very high β^* (2625m) optics to get to coulomb region



Region

$|t| \text{ [GeV]}^2$

Running Scenario

Coulomb region

$\leq 5 \times 10^{-4}$

[lower s , RP's closer to beam]

Interference, ρ meas.

$5 \times 10^{-4} \div 5 \times 10^{-3}$

[as above], standard $\beta^* = 1540 \text{ m}$

Pomeron exchange

$5 \times 10^{-3} \div 0.1$

$\beta^* = 1540 \text{ m}$

Diffractive structure

$0.1 \div 1$

$\beta^* = 1540 \text{ m}$, 200 - 400 m (?)

Large $|t|$ - perturb. QCD

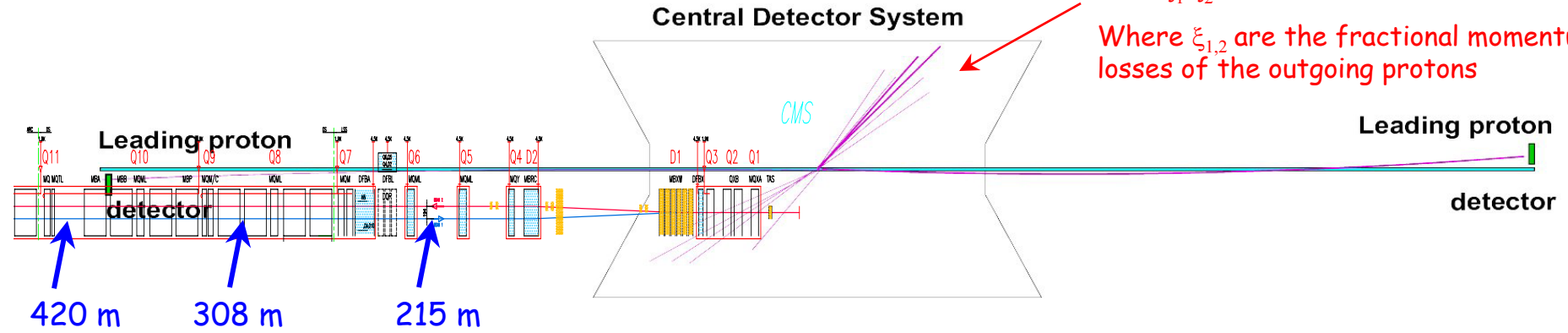
$1 \div 10$

$\beta^* = 18 \text{ m}$

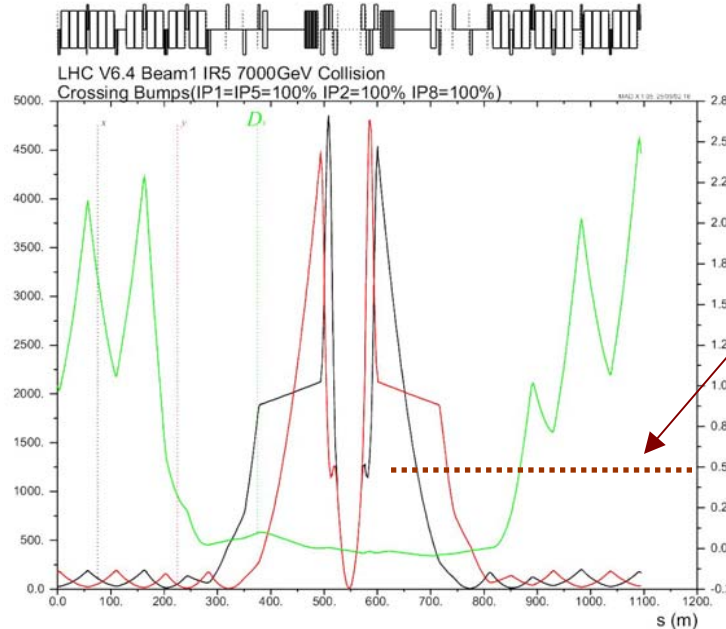
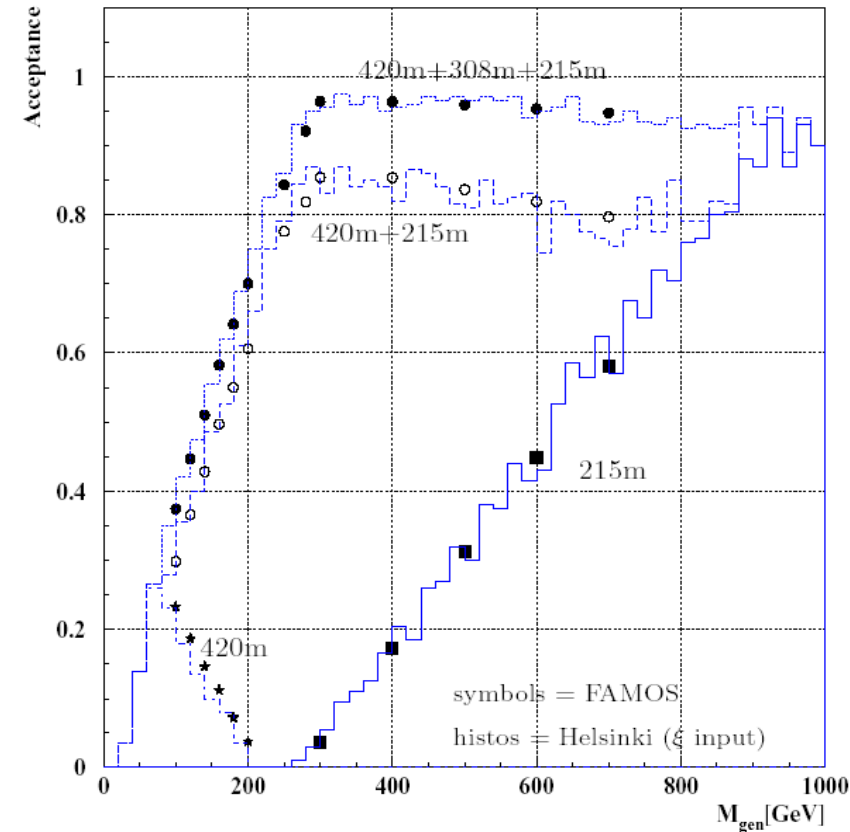
The Experimental Challenges for Exclusive States

$$M^2 = \xi_1 \xi_2 S$$

Where $\xi_{1,2}$ are the fractional momentum losses of the outgoing protons



$$\text{horizontal offset} = \xi \cdot D_x$$



To get $\xi \sim 0.005$
proton ($M \sim 70 \text{ GeV}$)
2.5mm from beam
(10σ) pots must be >
250 m from IP
→ cold region, & level
1 trigger not possible

Particularly promising scenarios for CEDP



Summary

Detection of light Higgs is challenging
 $(M_H \lesssim 130 \text{ GeV})$

A valuable process:

exclusive DD Higgs production

$$pp \rightarrow p + H + p$$

\downarrow
 $b\bar{b}$

$$M_H = \begin{cases} M_{b\bar{b}} \sim 10 \text{ GeV resol}^n \\ M_{\text{miss}} \sim \underline{1 \text{ GeV resol}^n} \end{cases}$$

if p taggers
 installed at 420m

$$\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1} \quad M_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$$

11 $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ events seen

4 $b\bar{b}$ background

bkgd suppressed

ect to
 g becomes

- 'Difficu
- The MS

An example : The intense coupling regime of the MSSM

e.g. $m_A = 130$ GeV, $\tan \beta = 50$

(difficult for conventional detection, but exclusive diffractive favourable)

$L = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, $\Delta M = 1$ GeV

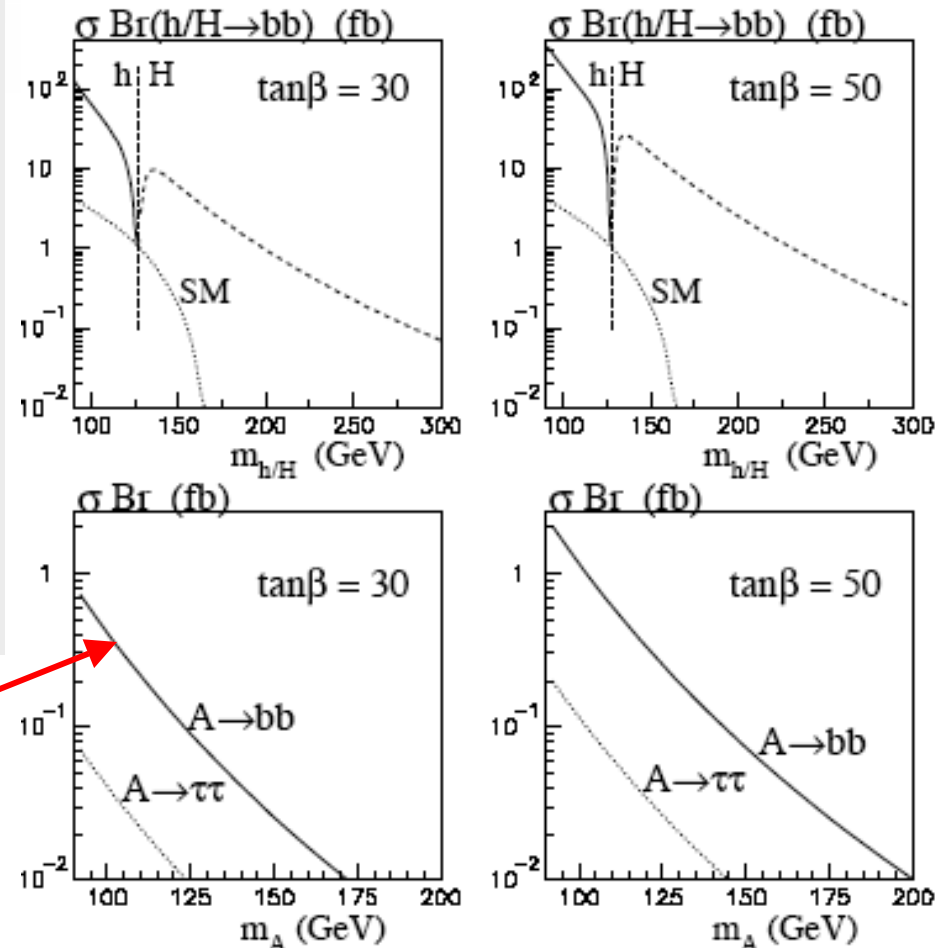
	S	B	
$m_h = 124.4$ GeV	71	3	events
$m_H = 135.5$ GeV	124	2	
$m_A = 130$ GeV	1	2	

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O^{++} selection rule suppresses A production:

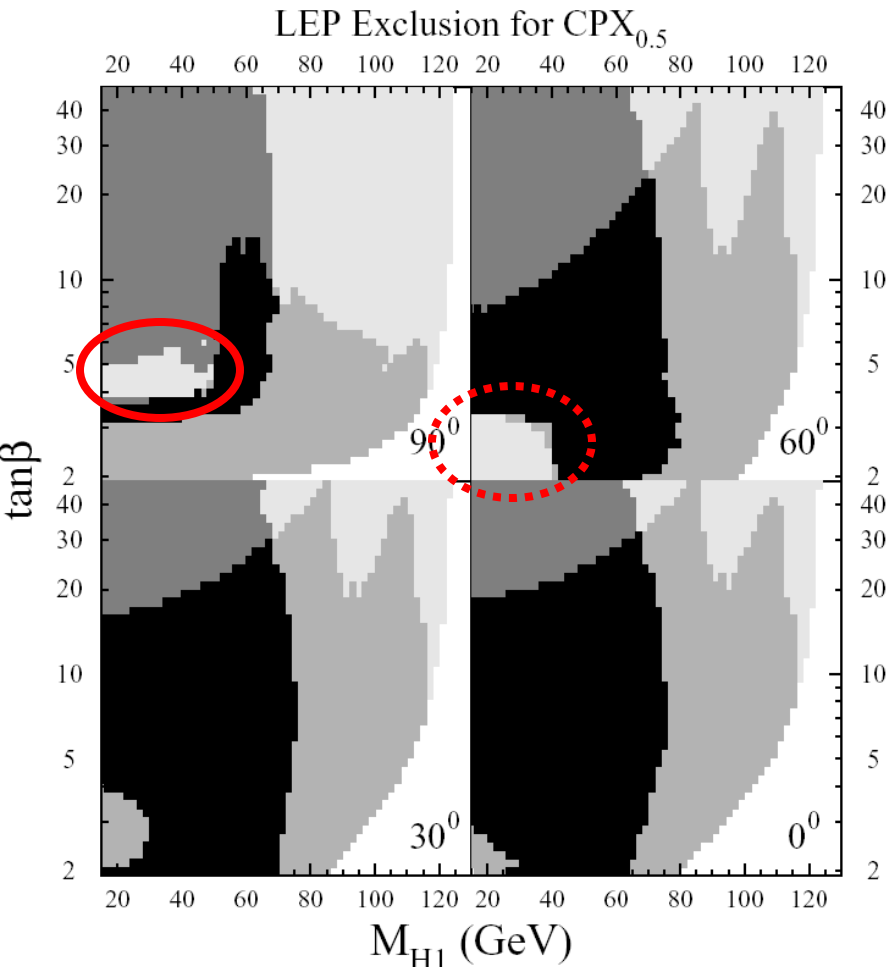
CEDP 'filters out' pseudoscalar production, leaving pure H sample for study

Central exclusive diffractive production



The MSSM with explicit CP violation - the 'CPX' scenario

Imagine a light scalar which couples predominantly to glue, and decays to b jets ... would we see it at LEP, Tevatron or LHC?



In the CPX scenario, the three neutral MSSM Higgs bosons, (CP even) h^0 and H^0 , and (CP odd) a mix to produce 3 physical mass eigenstates H_1 , H_2 and H_3 with mixed CP

Medium grey $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH_i$

Dark grey $Z^* \rightarrow H_i H_j \rightarrow 4b$

"there are small regions of parameter space in which none of the neutral Higgs bosons can be detected at the Tevatron and the LHC"

CPX MSSM Higgs

b bbar very difficult because of large background:

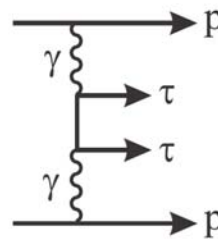
0^{++} Selection rule

$$\text{QCD Background} \sim \frac{m_b^2}{E_T^2} \frac{\alpha_S^2}{M_{b\bar{b}}^2 E_T^2}$$

Also, since resolution of taggers $>$ Higgs width:

$$S/B \propto \Gamma(H \rightarrow gg)/\Delta M \propto G_F M_H^3/\Delta M$$

But $\tau\tau$ mode has only QED background



$$A = \frac{\sigma(\varphi < \pi) - \sigma(\varphi > \pi)}{\sigma(\varphi < \pi) + \sigma(\varphi > \pi)}$$

$M(H_1)$ GeV	cuts	30	40	50	σ in fb
$\sigma(H_1)\text{Br}(\tau\tau)$	a, b	1.9	0.6	0.3	
$\sigma^{\text{QED}}(\tau\tau)$	a, b	0.2	0.1	0.04	
$A_{\tau\tau}$	b	0.2	0.1	0.05	

(b) $p_i^\perp > 300$ MeV for the forward outgoing protons

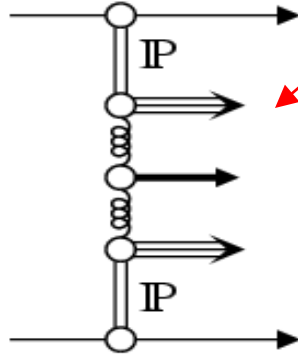
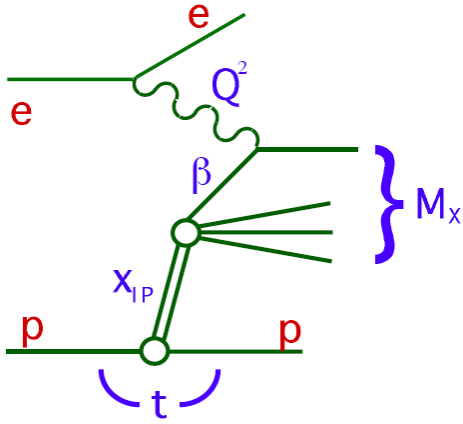
Direct evidence for CP violation in Higgs sector

$$\mathcal{M} = g_S \cdot (e_1^\perp \cdot e_2^\perp) - g_P \cdot \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} e_{1\mu} e_{2\nu} p_{1\alpha} p_{2\beta} / (p_1 \cdot p_2)$$

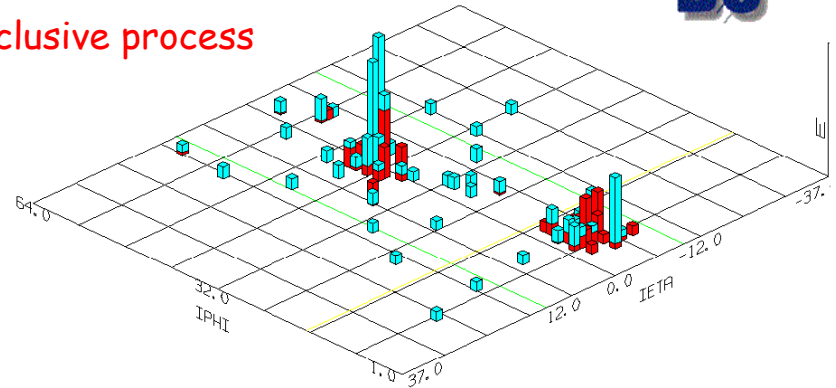
CP even

CP odd active at non-zero t

Do we understand diffraction well enough to use it as a search tool?



Important background to exclusive process



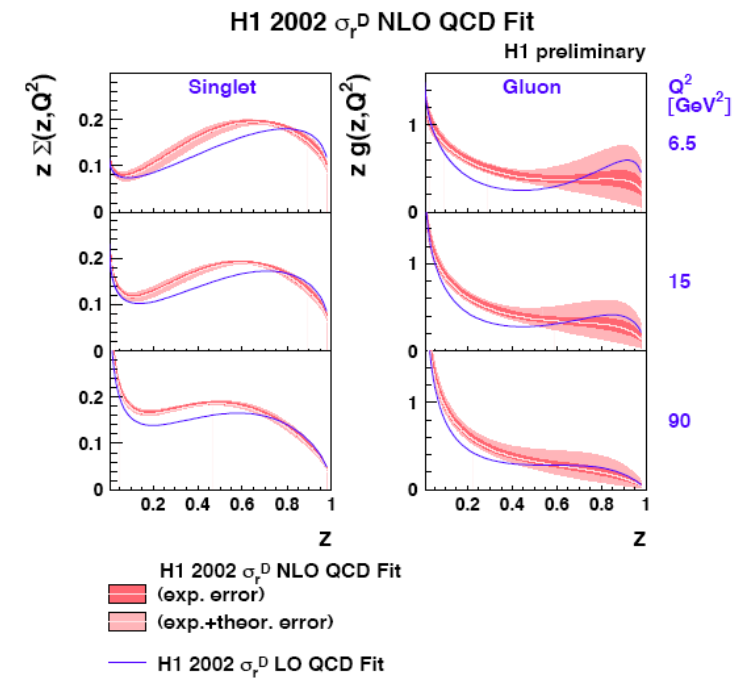
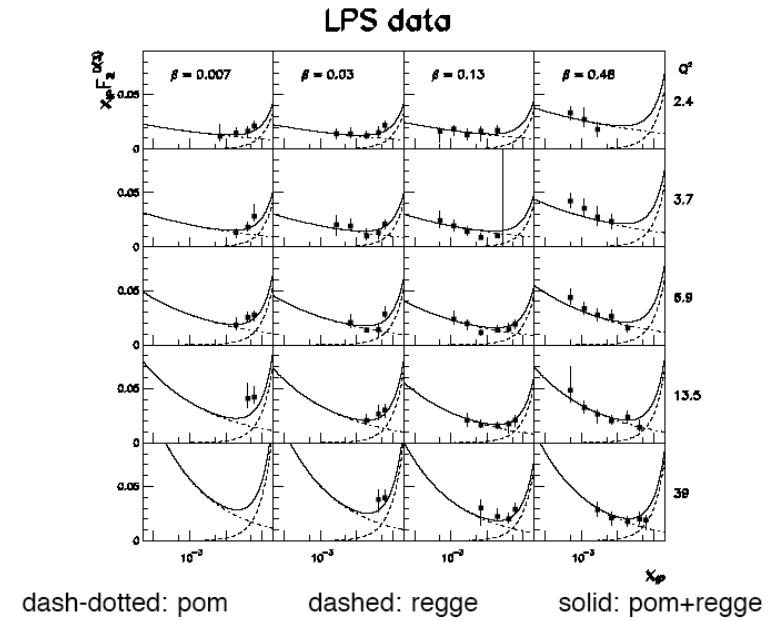
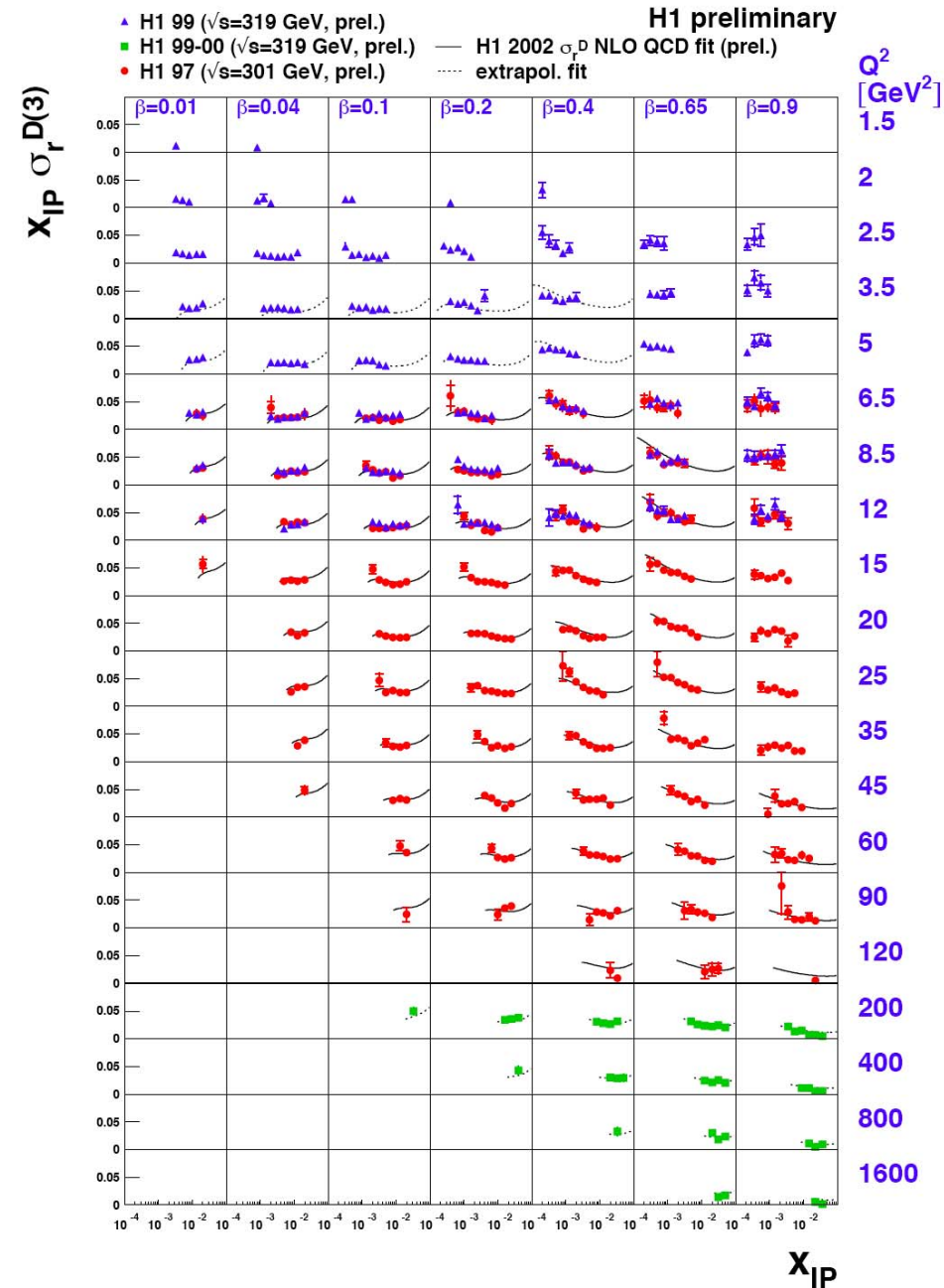
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As with all processes at hadron colliders, the structure functions are of prime importance

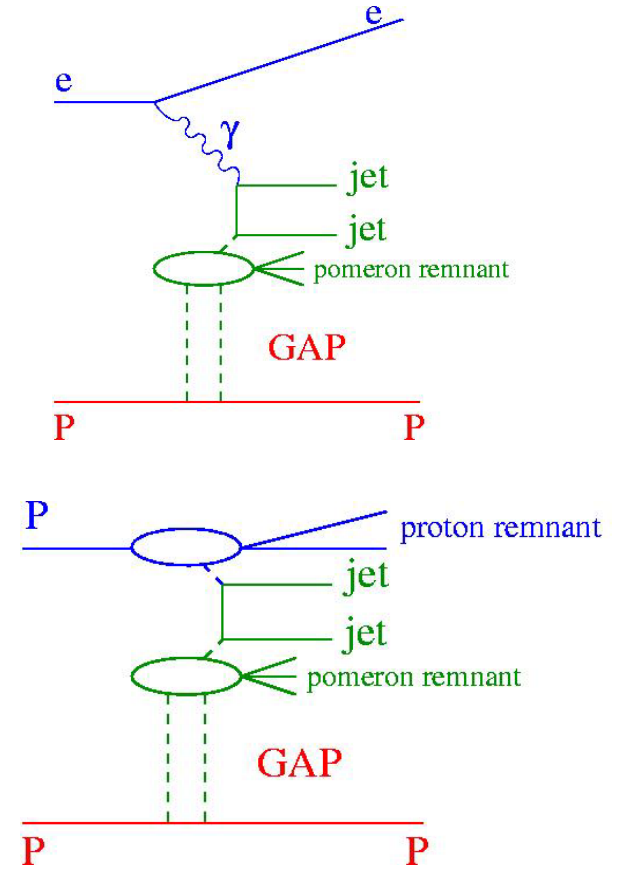
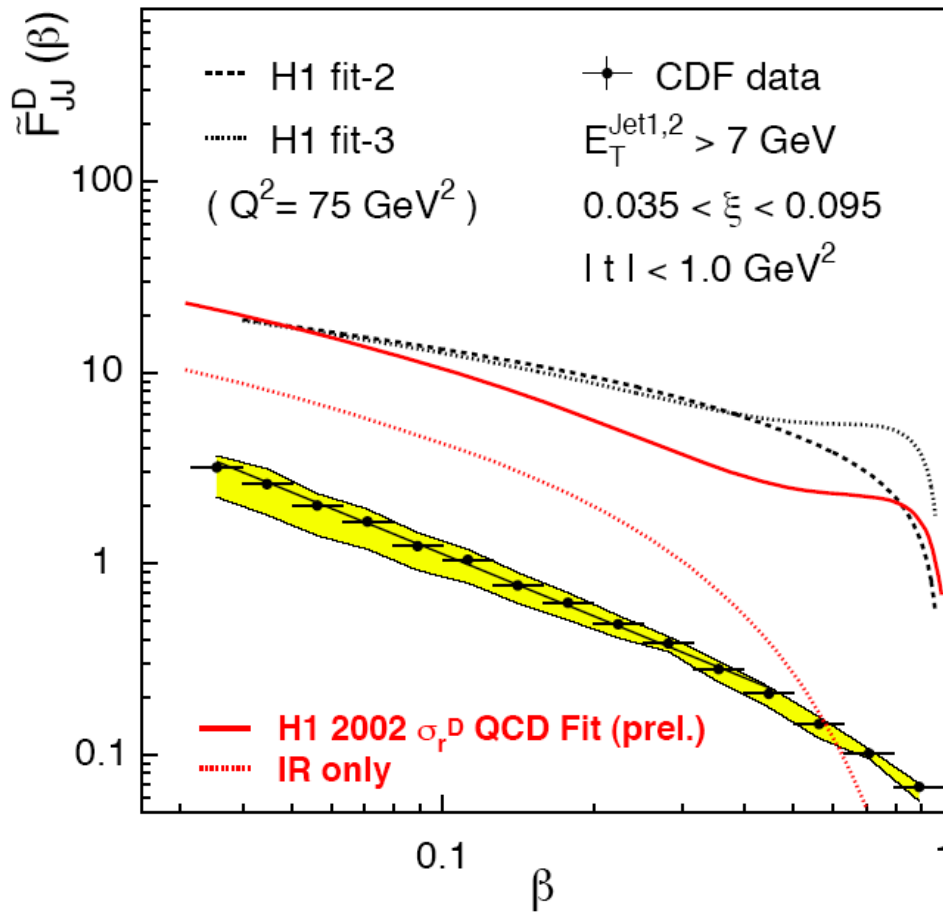
$$\frac{d^2\sigma(x, Q^2, x_{IP}, t)^{\gamma^* p \rightarrow p' X}}{dx_{IP} dt} = \sum_i \int_x^{x_{IP}} d\xi \hat{\sigma}^{\gamma^* i}(x, Q^2, \xi) p_i^D(\xi, Q^2, x_{IP}, t)$$

- $\hat{\sigma}^{\gamma^* i}$ hard scattering coeff. functions, as in incl. DIS
- p_i^D diffractive PDF's in proton, conditional probabilities, valid at fixed x_{IP}, t , obey (NLO) DGLAP

Diffraction Structure Functions at HERA



Factorisation does not hold in PP



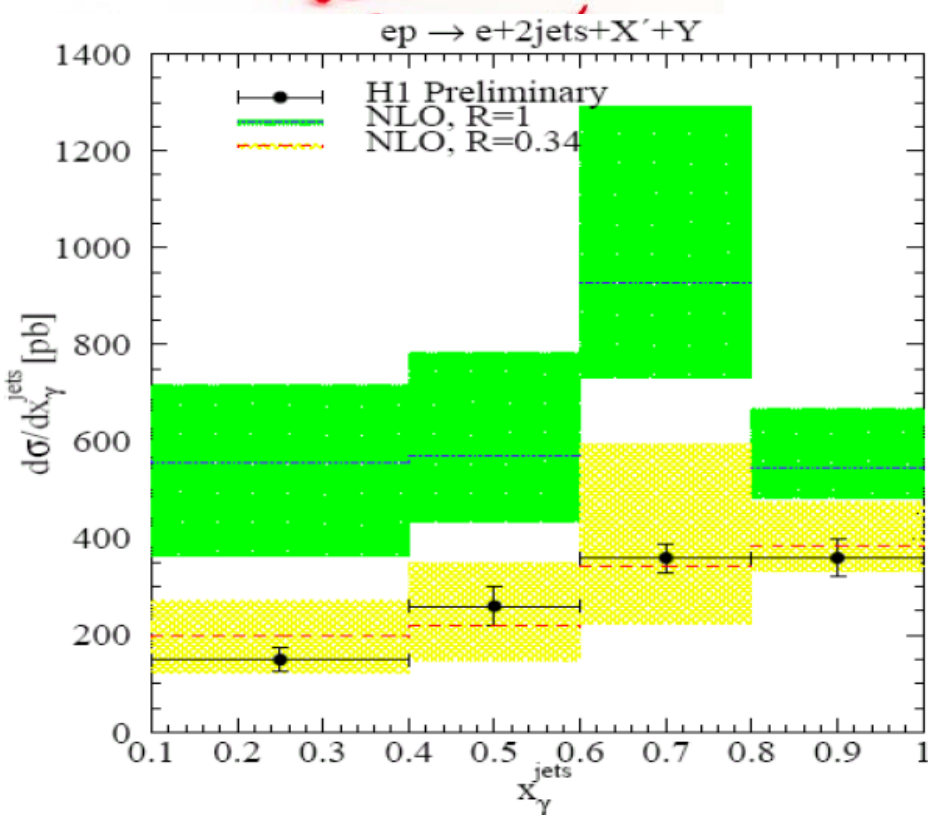
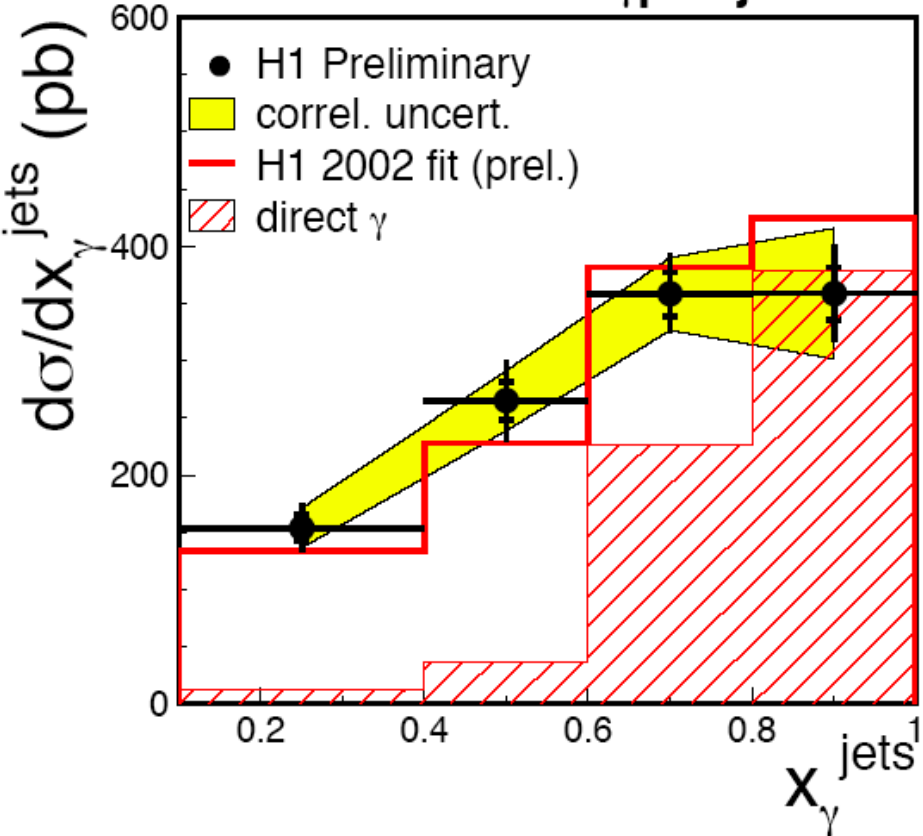
An unproved statement : If there are no multi-parton interactions, then the diffractive structure functions measured at the Tevatron are \sim the same as those at HERA

Factorisation in PP

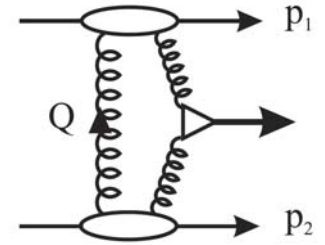
Most (all?) eikonal models yield similar predictions for S^2 provided they are tuned to σ_{tot} & $\sigma_{elastic}$

→ for central diffraction at LHC

H1 Diffractive γp Dijets



How reliable are the predictions?



Hard subprocess cross section

- The cross section \sim factorises ...

$$\sigma = \mathcal{L}(M^2, y) \hat{\sigma}(M^2)$$

... so can be checked by measuring higher rate processes at Tevatron and LHC

Effective luminosity for production of mass M at rapidity y

Particle	σ_{excl}	Decay channel	BR	Rate at $2.4 \times 10^{29} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ $\beta^* = 1540 \text{ m}$ (no acceptance / analysis cuts)	Rate at $10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ $\beta^* = 200\text{-}400\text{m}$
χ_{c0} (3.4 GeV)	3 μb [KMRS]	$\gamma J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$ $\pi^+ \pi^- K^+ K^-$	6×10^{-4} 0.018	1.5 / h 46 / h	62 / h 1900 / h
χ_{b0} (9.9 GeV)	4 nb [KMRS]	$\gamma Y \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$	$10^{-3}?$	0.08 / d	3.5 / d
H (120 GeV)	0.1 \div 10 fb assume 3 fb	$b\bar{b}$	0.68	0.02 / y	1 / y

KMR Prediction

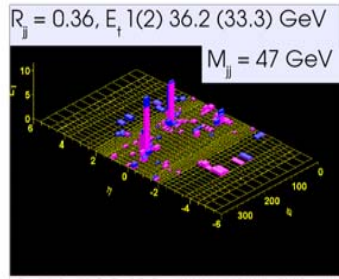
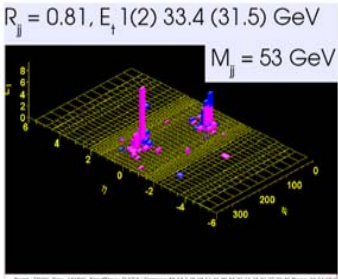
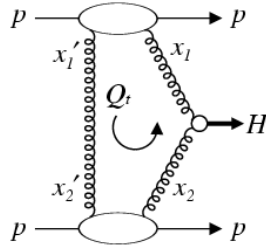
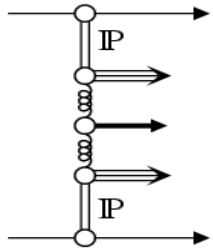
$$\longrightarrow \sigma(\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{p} + \chi_c^0 (\rightarrow J/\Psi + \gamma) + p)$$

[Eur. Phys. J. C19, 477 \(2001\)](#)

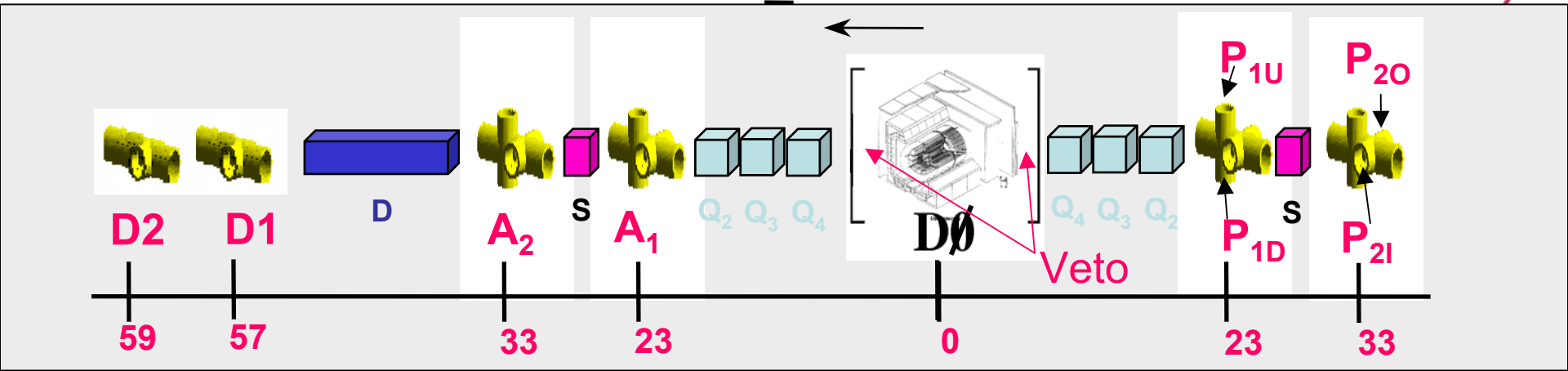
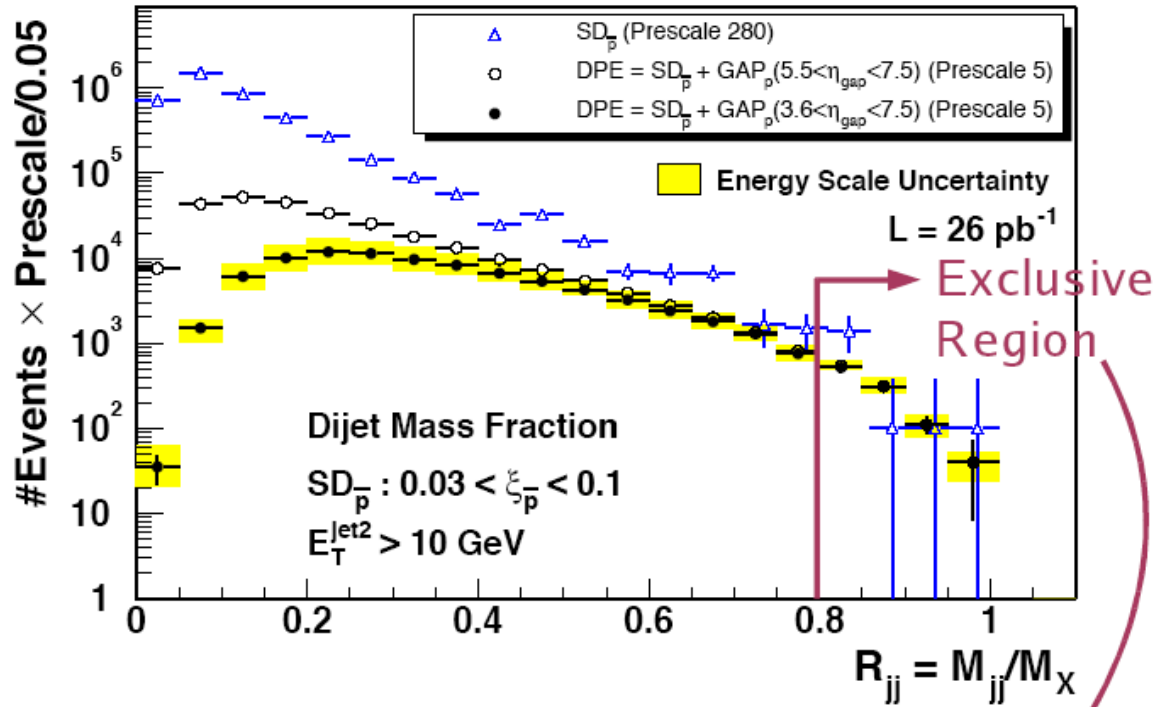
$\approx 70 \text{ pb}$ at $|y^{J/\Psi}| < 0.6$ (factor 2-5 uncertainty)



How reliable are the predictions?



CDF Run II Preliminary



Summary and work in progress

- Real discovery potential in certain scenarios
 - Possibility to measure Higgs branching ratio to e.g. b or τ - complementary information to conventional searches
 - Azimuthal asymmetries allow direct measurement of CP violation in Higgs sector
 - Assuming CP conservation, any object seen with 2 tagged protons has positive C parity, is (most probably) 0^+ , and is a colour singlet
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- Need theoretical and experimental verification of the cross section and background predictions
 - If we can get the pots close enough for level 1 trigger, and increase the acceptance at 120 GeV, this project is extremely exciting - can we do it?

SUDAKOV

- So far all cross-sections are DIVERGENT

$$\int_0^{Q_T^2} \frac{dQ_T^2}{Q_T^4} \quad \left(\text{and} \quad \int_0^{Q_T^2} \frac{dQ_T^2}{Q_T^6} \right)$$

not quite so bad
due to anomalous
dimension of gluon
density $\sim (Q_T^2)^{\delta}$

But these exist Sudakov logarithms



$P_T < Q_T$: soft gluon screens emission

Emission probability $\approx C_A \int_{Q_T^2}^{M_H^2/4} \frac{dP_T^2}{P_T^2} \frac{ds(P_T^2)}{\pi} \int_{P_T}^{M_H/2} \frac{dE}{E}$
(soft & collinear approximation
re. double log approx.)

$\left(\sim \frac{ds C_A}{\pi} \frac{1}{4} \ln^2 \frac{M_H^2}{4Q_T^2} \right)$

exponentiating generates a factor in amplitude of

$\exp(-S) = \exp\left(-\frac{C_A}{\pi} \int_{Q_T^2}^{M_H^2/4} ds \frac{dP_T^2}{P_T^2} \int_{P_T}^{M_H/2} \frac{dE}{E}\right)$ ← double logs

$= \exp\left(-\int_{Q_T^2}^{M_H^2/4} \frac{ds(P_T^2)}{2\pi} \frac{dP_T^2}{P_T^2} \int_0^{1-\Delta} \left\{ z P_{gg}(z) + \sum_i P_{qg}(z) \right\} dz\right)$

double and single logs

Collinear AND soft logs if

$\Delta = \frac{P_T}{(P_T + 0.62 M_H)}$

As $Q_T \rightarrow 0$ so the screening gluon fails to screen and $P_T \neq 0$ emission is allowed. Hence e^{-S} vanishes faster than any power of Q_T .