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**RECENT HERA RESULTS ON  
VECTOR MESON PRODUCTION,  
PARTICLE CORRELATIONS AND  
PARTICLE MULTIPLICITY SPECTRA**



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# Outline of the talk

## **Search for collectivity in DIS and photoproduction**

ZEUS: arXiv:2106.12377 submitted to JHEP, JHEP 04 (2020) 070

H1: H1prelim-20-033

## **Charged particles and entanglement**

Eur.Phys.J.C81 (2021), 212

## **$\rho(770)$ photoproduction**

Eur.Phys.J.C80 (2020), 1189

# H1 and ZEUS @ HERA

## HERA COLLIDER

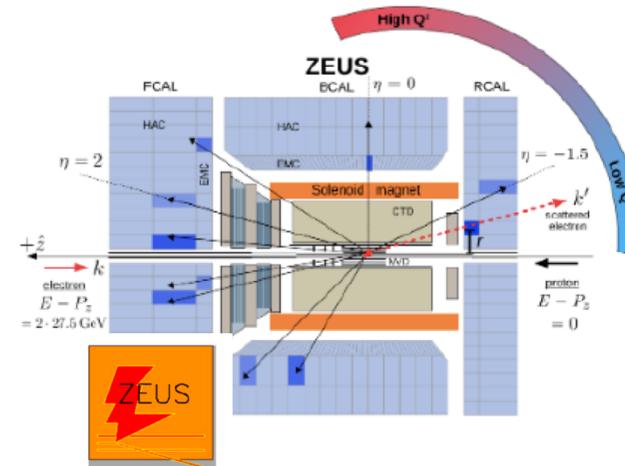
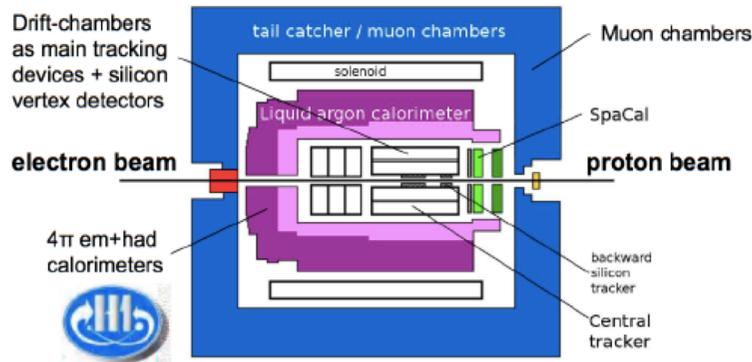
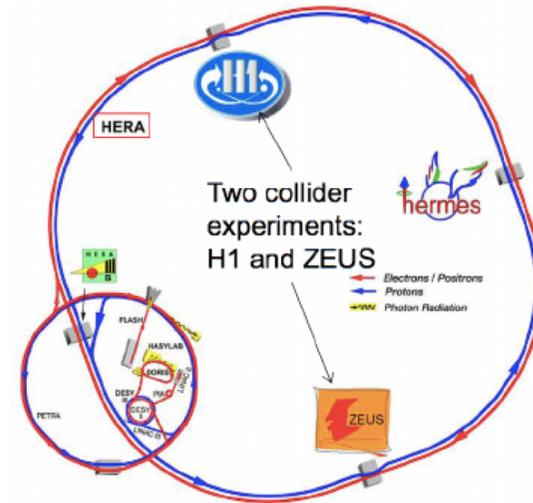
Operated from 1992 to 2007, 500 pb<sup>-1</sup> to ZEUS/H1

6.3 km circumference

Asymmetric detectors

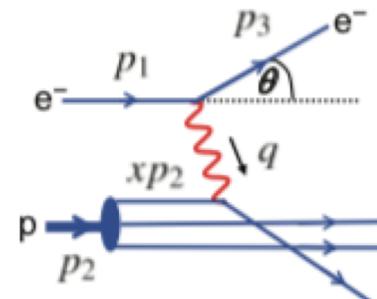
e<sup>+</sup> or e<sup>-</sup> colliding with p

Center of mass system boosted in p direction → asymmetric detectors



$E_{e^+} = 27.6 \text{ GeV}$        $E_p = 920 - 460 \text{ GeV}$        $\Rightarrow \sqrt{s} = 318 \text{ GeV}$

$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2 \simeq 2p_1 \cdot p_2, \quad y = \frac{p_2 \cdot q}{p_2 \cdot p_2}, \quad x = \frac{Q^2}{2p_2 \cdot q}$$



$Q^2 \sim 0$   
γ production

$Q^2 > 0$  DIS

## **Search for collectivity in DIS and photoproduction**

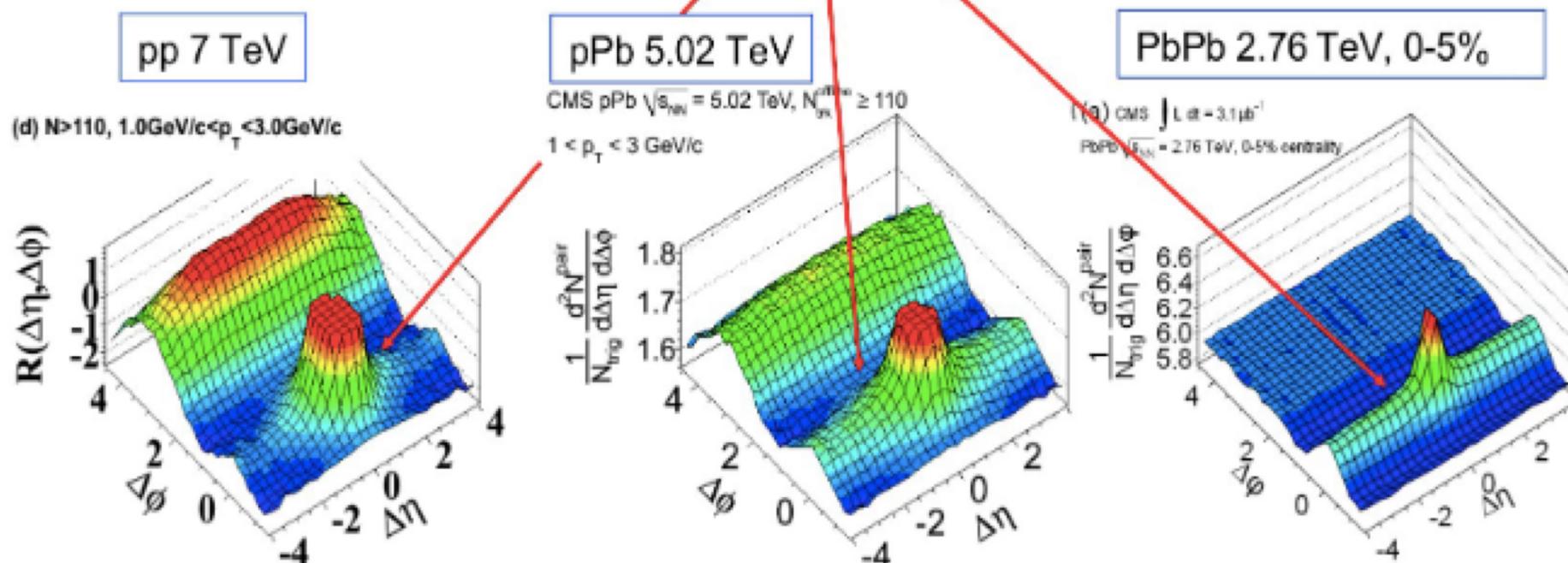
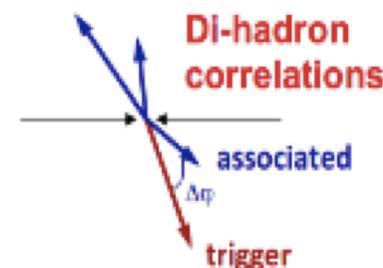
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# “Everything...flows”(?)

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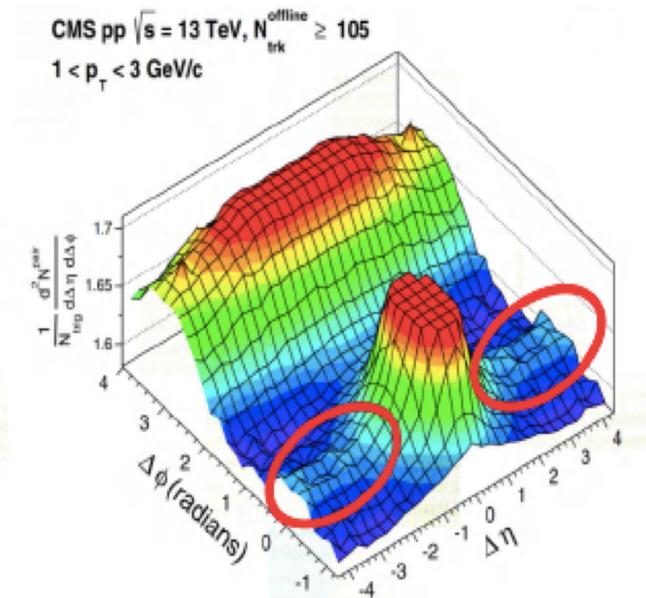
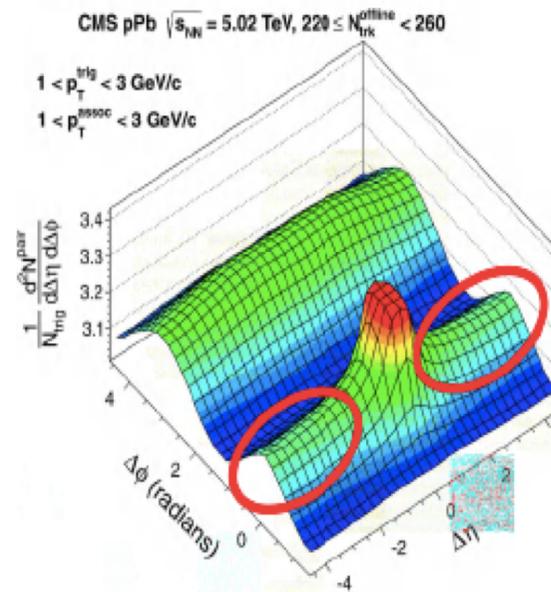
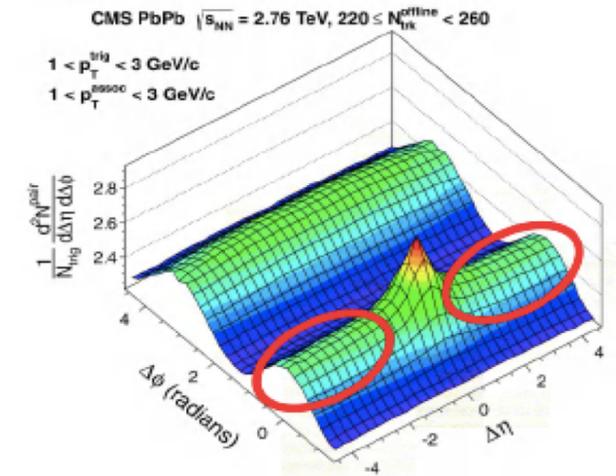
- Long-range ( $2 < |\Delta\eta| < 4$ ), near-side ( $\Delta\phi \approx 0$ ) angular correlations are seen at LHC at various  $\sqrt{s}$  in
  - heavy ions (XeXe and PbPb), and
  - “small systems”, i.e., high-multiplicity ( $\geq 50-60$ ) pPb and pp collisions
- Signs reminiscent of collective behavior of a quark-gluon plasma (QGP)



# Motivation

In **heavy ion collisions** evidence of long-range correlation in  $\Delta\eta$  for particle pairs produced at small  $\Delta\phi$  (**ridge**)  
 → understood as **fluid-like behaviour (QGP)**

Also at LHC similar structure in **pPb and pp systems**



**What happens in an even smaller systems, i.e. electron-proton collision?**

# Formalism

- **Two-particle and four-particle azimuthal correlations** defined as

$$C_n\{2\} \equiv \langle \cos [n(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)] \rangle,$$

$$C_n\{4\} \equiv \langle \cos [n(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 - \varphi_3 - \varphi_4)] \rangle$$

- $\varphi_i$  the azimuthal angle of particle  $i$
- $n$  the harmonics
- $\langle \rangle$  averages over pairs and quadruplets  
(corrections for non-uniform acceptance taken into account by proper weights)

- Also **two-dimensional correlation functions**  $C(\Delta\eta, \Delta\varphi) = \frac{S(\Delta\eta, \Delta\varphi)}{B(\Delta\eta, \Delta\varphi)}$

- S (signal)
- B (background)

formed with pairs from the same- and mixed- event respectively

# Ridge in DIS?

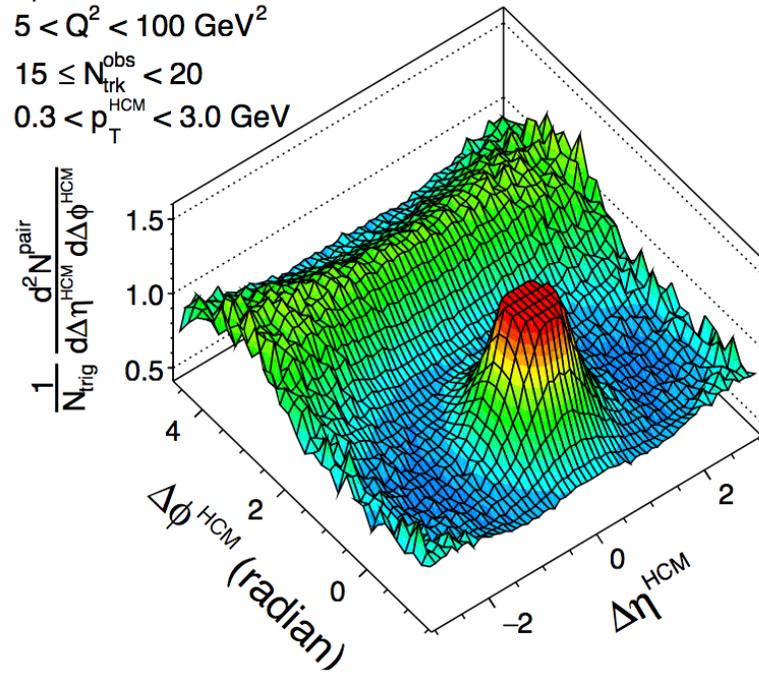
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$5 < Q^2 < 100$  GeV<sup>2</sup>

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$0.3 < p_{\text{T}}^{\text{HCM}} < 3.0$  GeV



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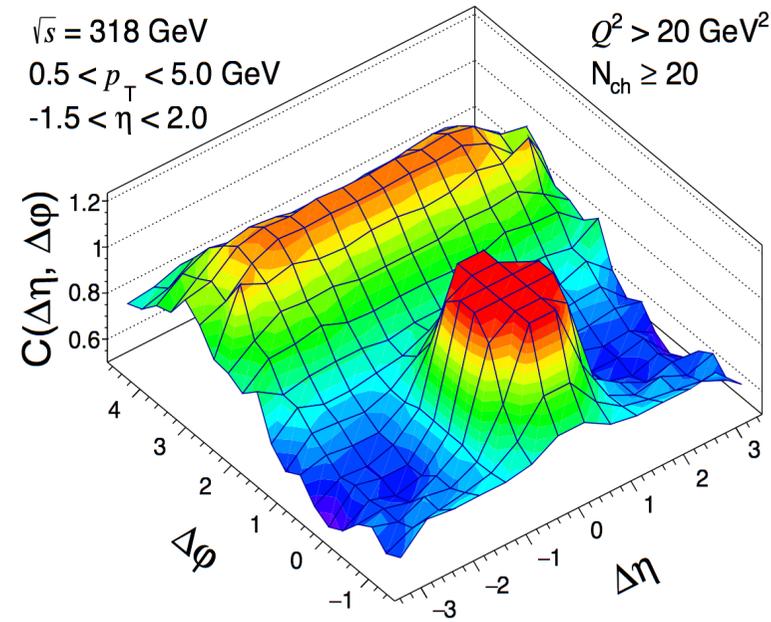
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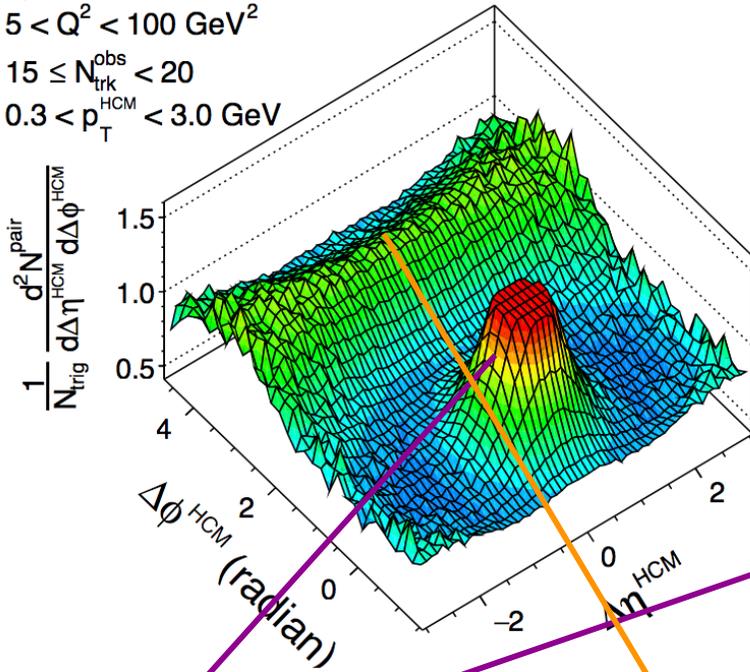
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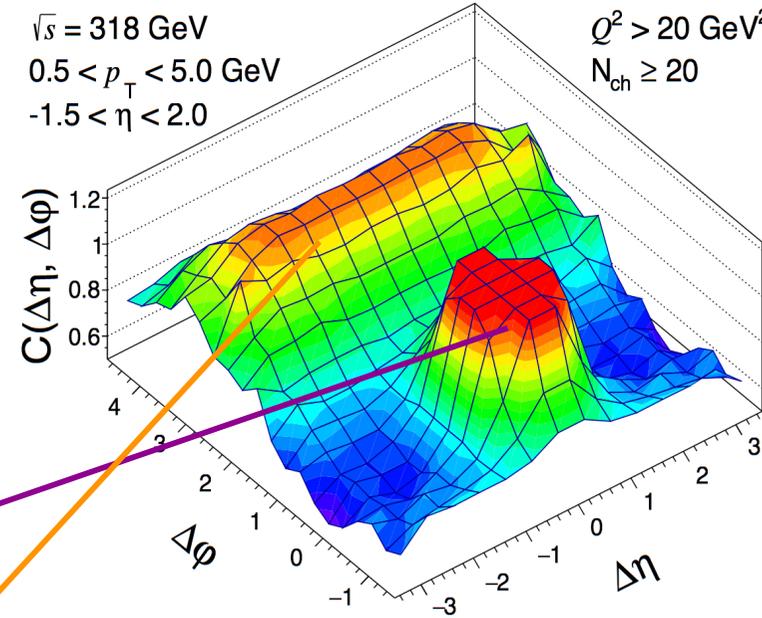
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Near-side ( $\Delta\phi \sim 0$ ) peak and away-side ridge clearly visible

No visible long-range near-side double ridge

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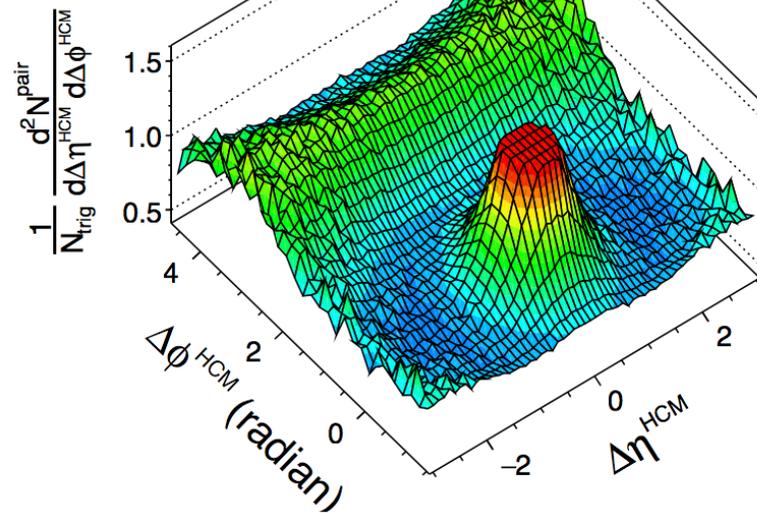
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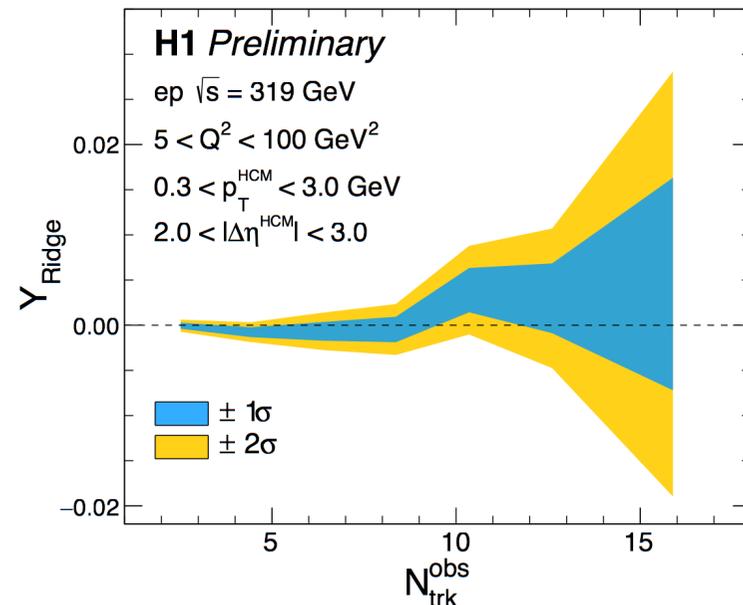
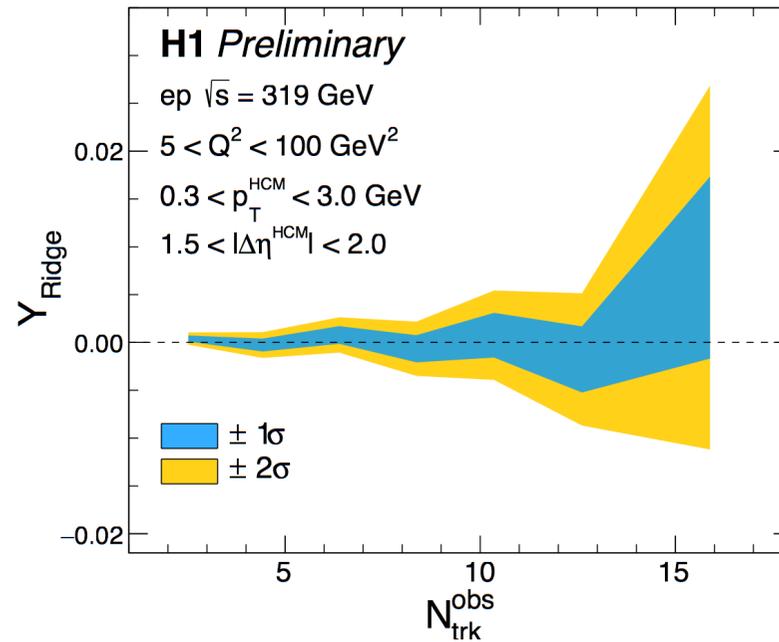
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Ridge limits extracted using a Zero-Yield-At-Minimum assumption with bootstrap procedure

→ Limits indicate small room for existence of ridge



# Ridge in photoproduction?

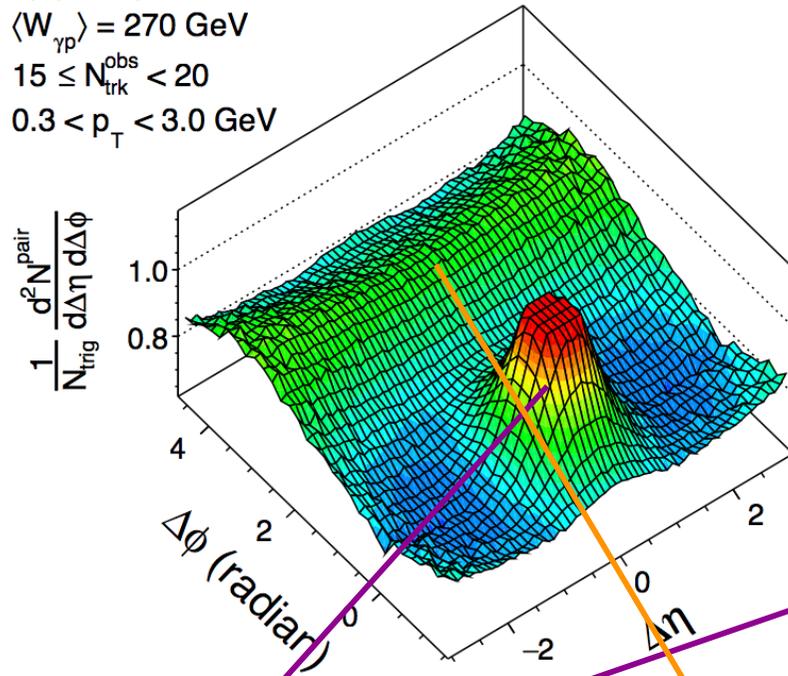
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ep photoproduction

$$\langle W_{\gamma p} \rangle = 270 \text{ GeV}$$

$$15 \leq N_{\text{trk}}^{\text{obs}} < 20$$

$$0.3 < p_T < 3.0 \text{ GeV}$$



## ZEUS

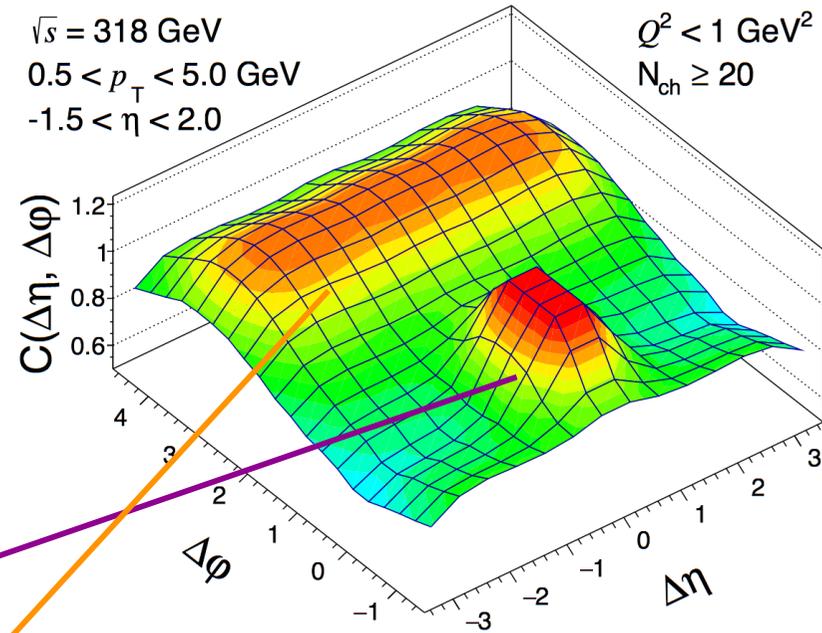
$$\sqrt{s} = 318 \text{ GeV}$$

$$0.5 < p_T < 5.0 \text{ GeV}$$

$$-1.5 < \eta < 2.0$$

$$Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$$

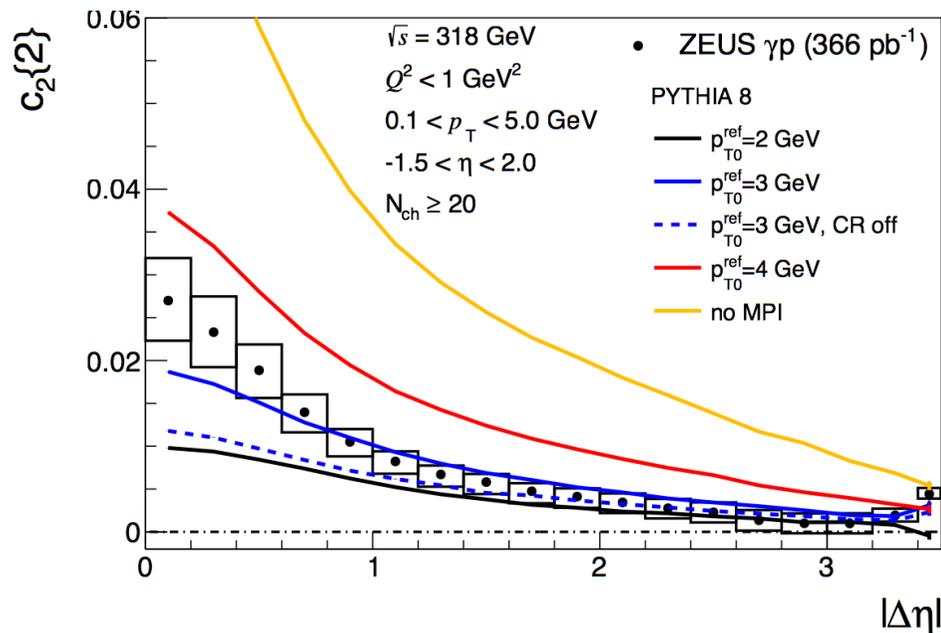
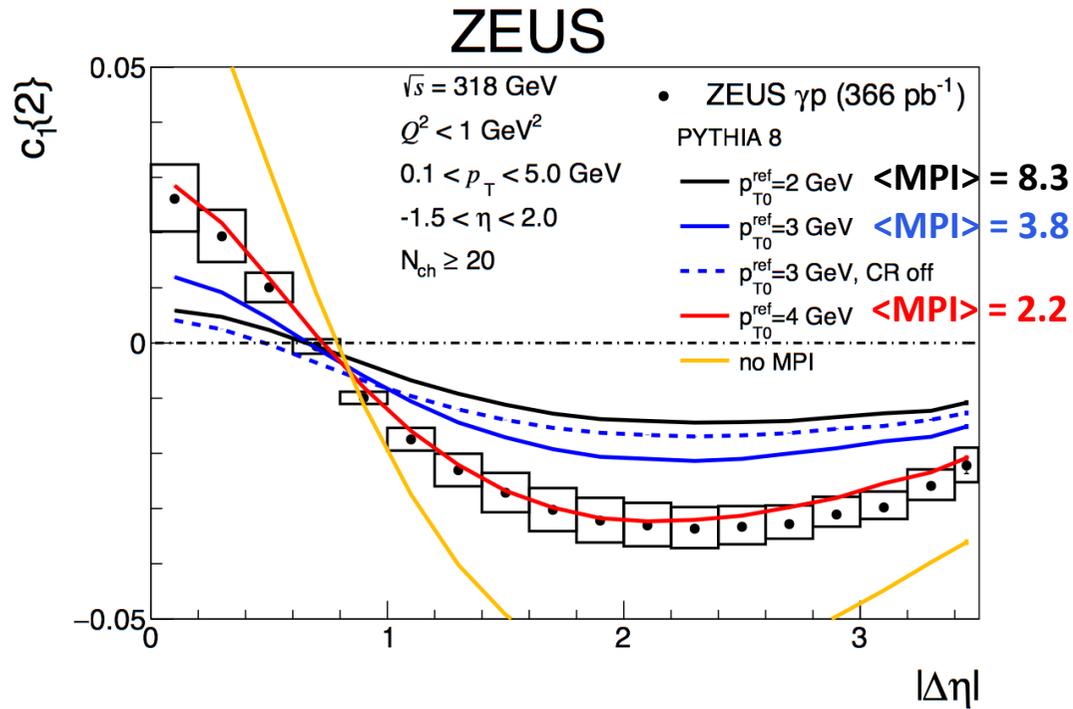
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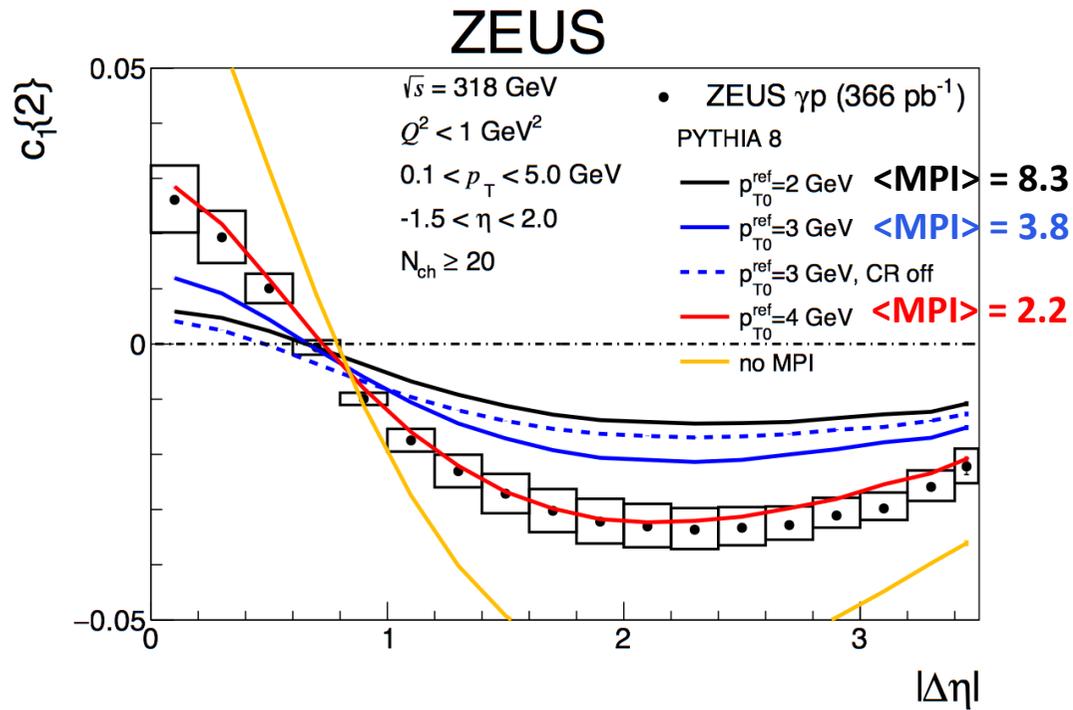
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# 2-particle cumulants in photoproduction



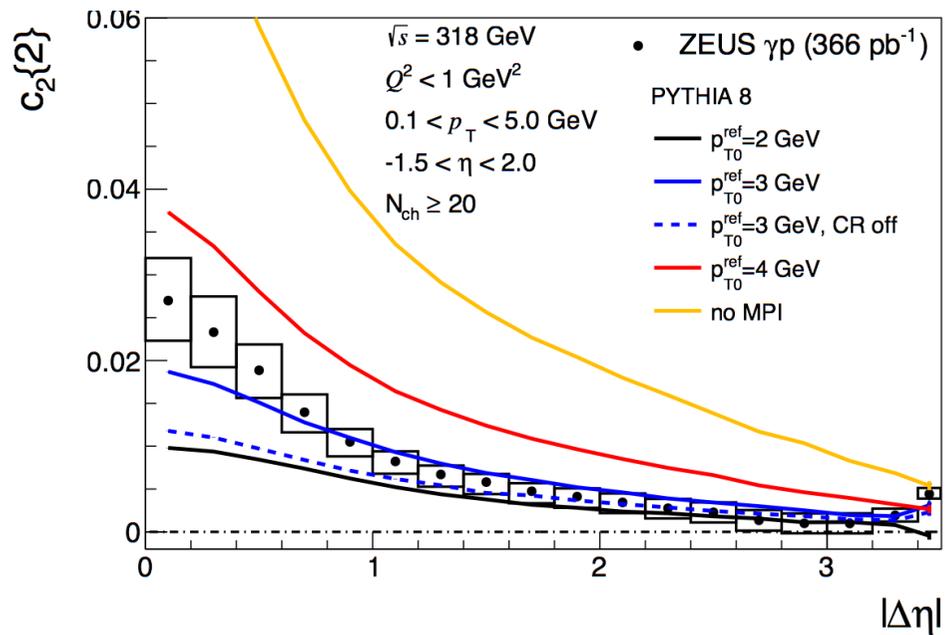
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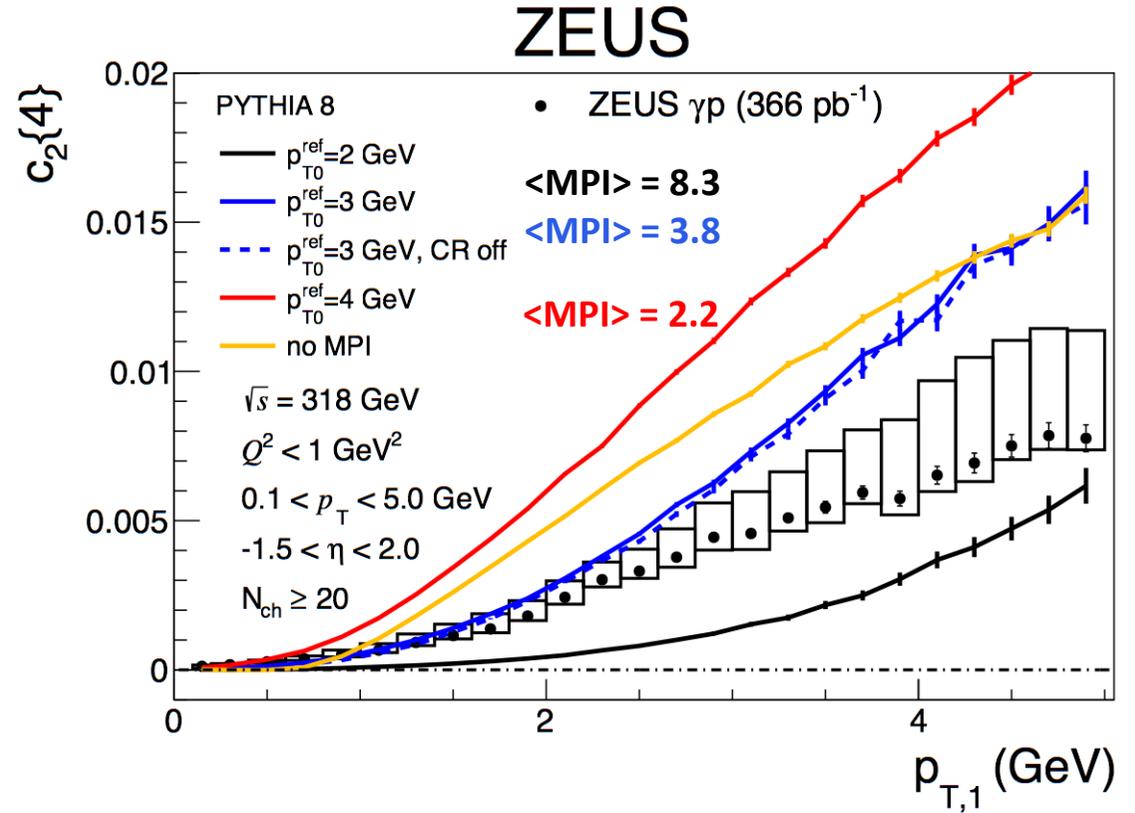
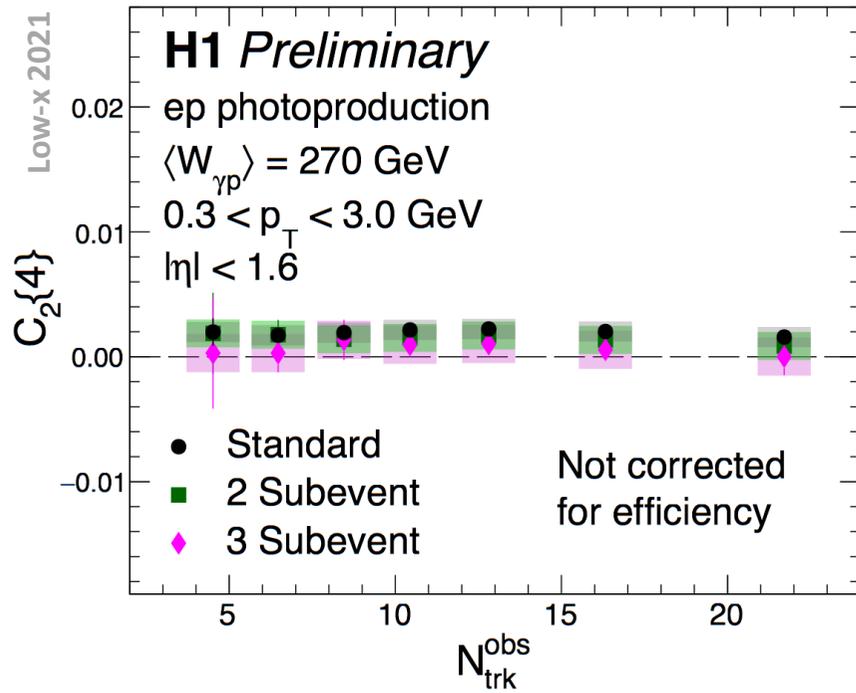


2 → 2 MPI in PYTHIA 8  
ranges from 2 to 8

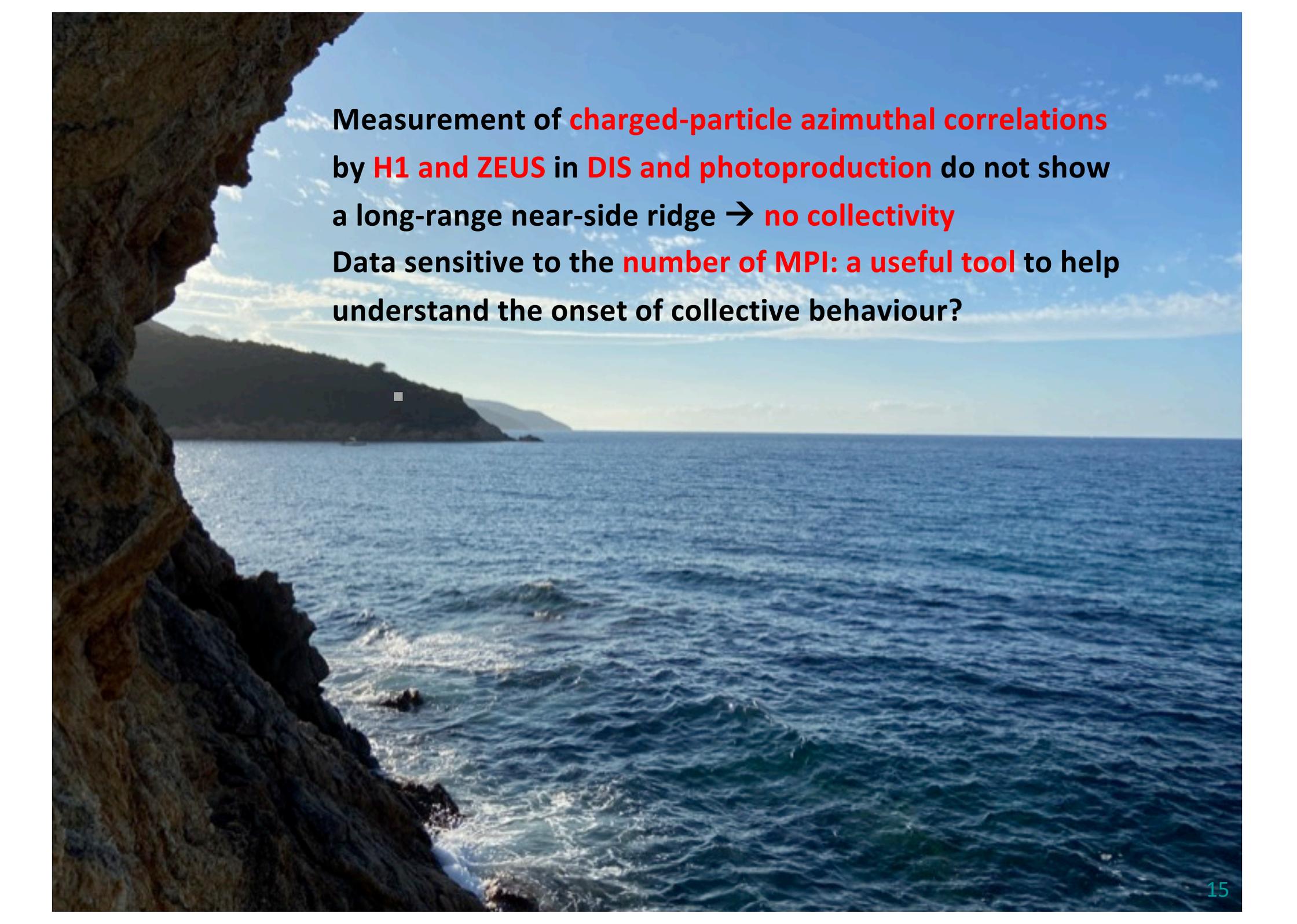
NO-MPI and many MPI disfavoured



# 4-particle cumulants in photoproduction



**4-particle cumulant is positive, in contrast to heavy-ion collisions**



Measurement of **charged-particle azimuthal correlations** by **H1 and ZEUS** in **DIS and photoproduction** do not show a long-range near-side ridge → **no collectivity**  
Data sensitive to the **number of MPI: a useful tool** to help understand the onset of collective behaviour?

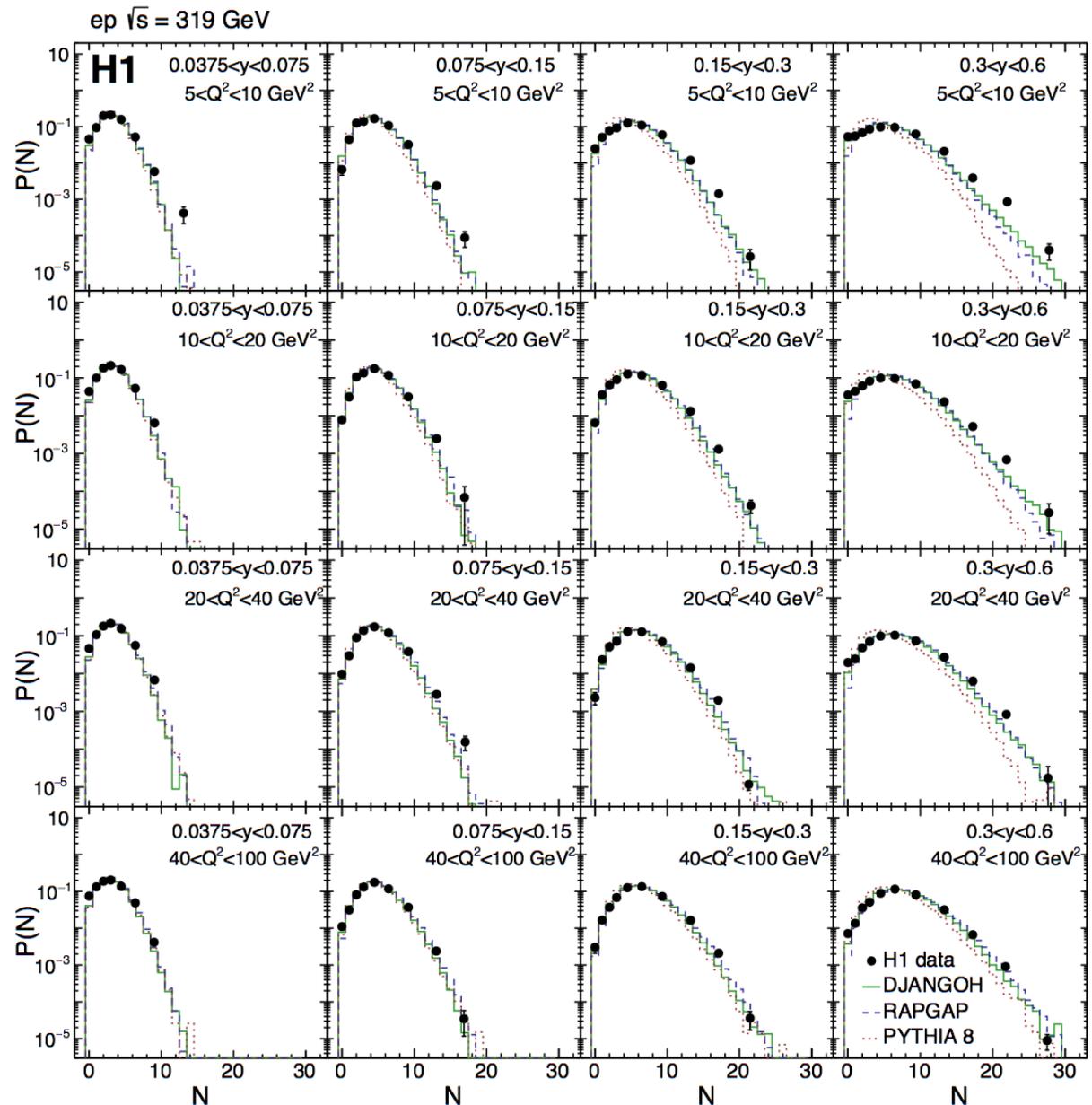
**Charged particle multiplicity and entanglement entropy of partons**

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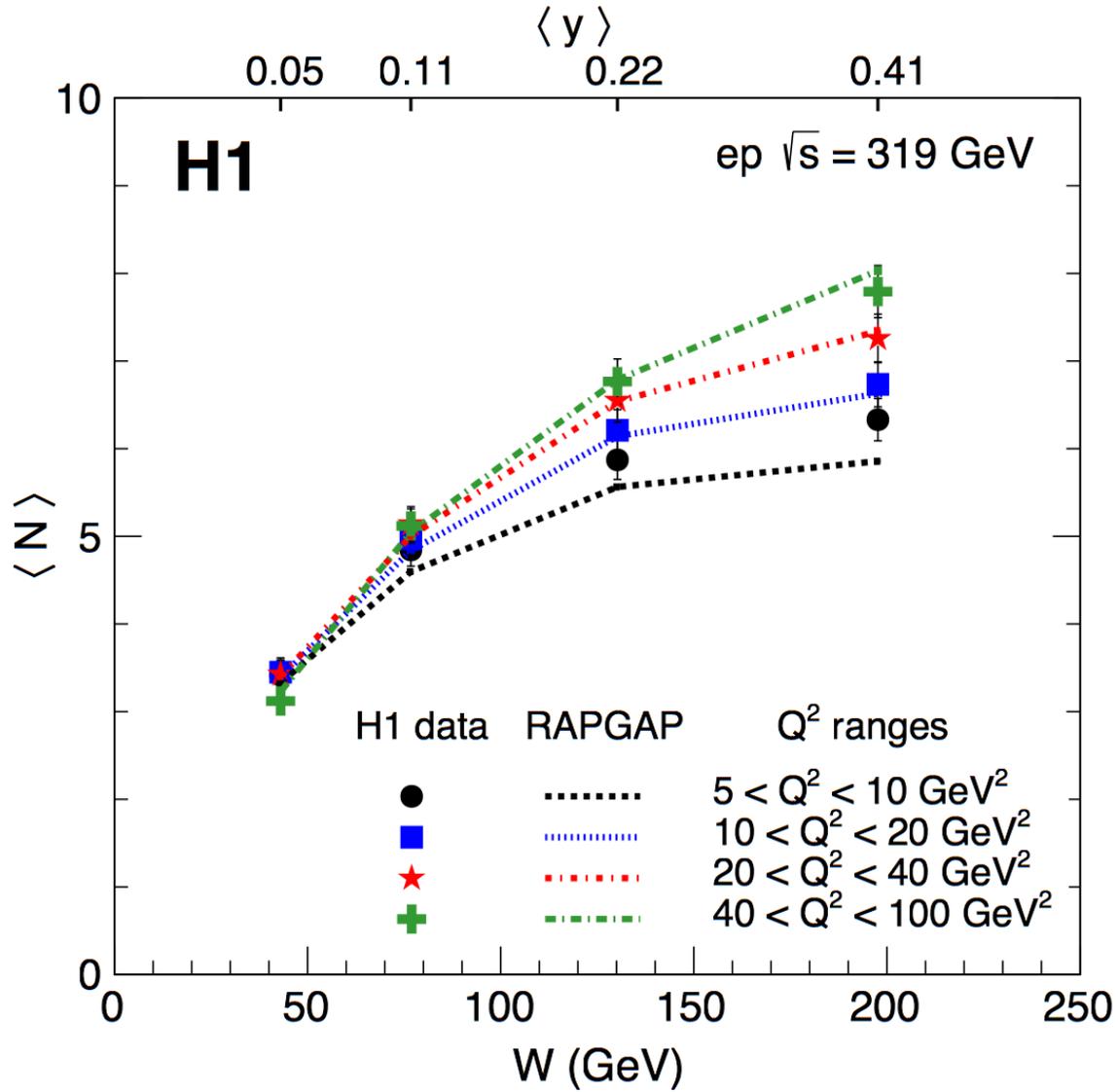
# Multiplicity distributions

Charged particle multiplicity distributions measured on a 4x4 grid in  $Q^2$  and  $y$

**MC models underestimate the tails at large N**



# Mean multiplicity as a function of energy



# Entanglement entropy

$$S_{\text{hadron}} \equiv - \sum P(N) \ln P(N) = \ln [xG(x, Q^2)] \equiv S_{\text{gluon}}.$$

*Theory prediction [PRD 95,114008 (2017)]*

$S_{\text{hadron}}$  → final state hadron entropy calculated from particle multiplicity distributions

$S_{\text{gluon}}$  → entanglement entropy for gluons at low x

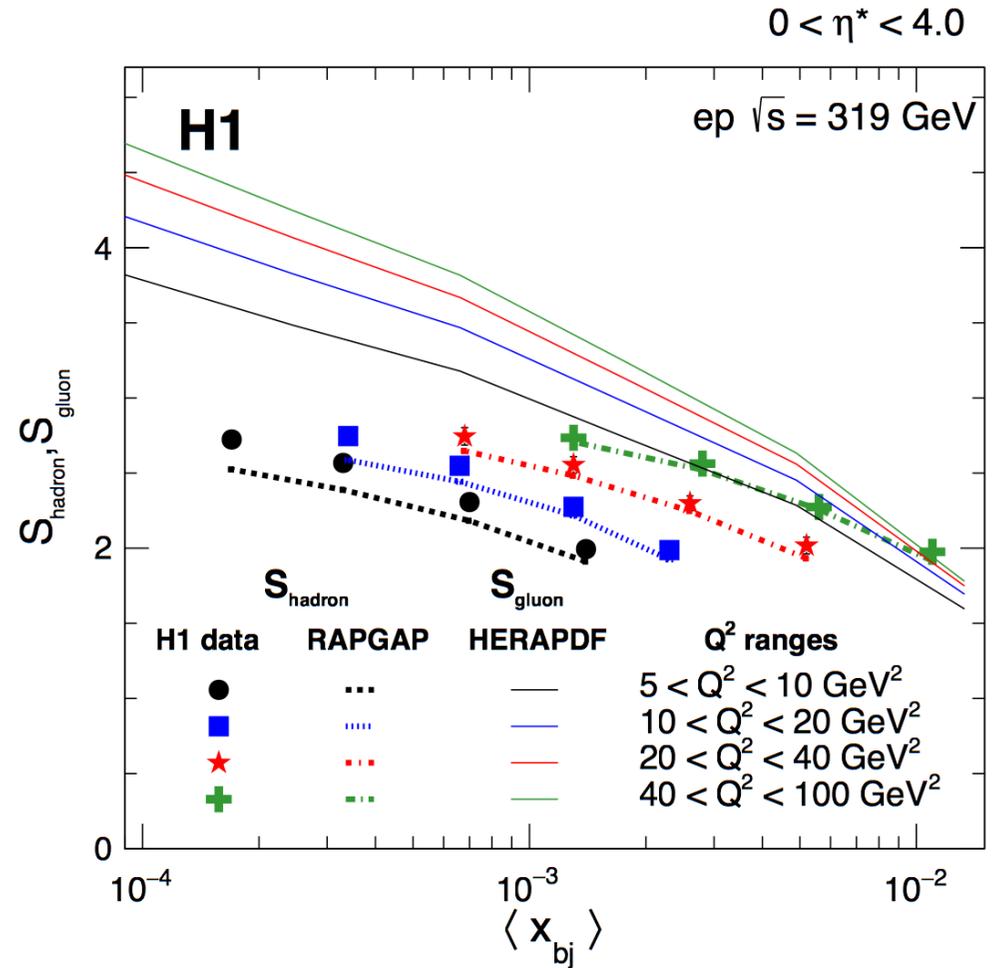
**Are the data compatible with  $S_{\text{gluon}} = S_{\text{hadron}}$  ?**

# Test of quantum entanglement in DIS

Multiplicity distribution converted to the hadron entropy  $S_{\text{hadron}}$

$S_{\text{gluon}}$  from HERAPDFs  
not compatible with  $S_{\text{hadron}}$

Update in theory: arXiv:2102.09773

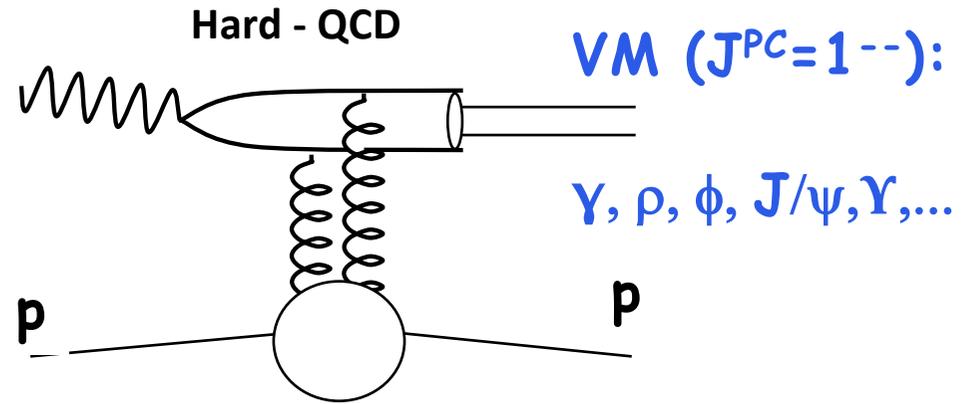
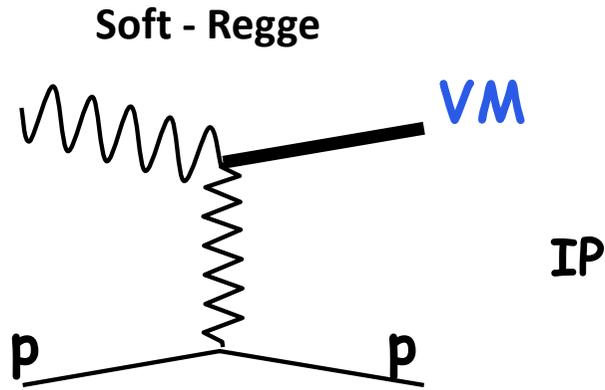


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- **Predictions for the entropy of gluons disagree with hadron entropy obtained from multiplicity measurements**

**Exclusive  $\pi^+ \pi^-$  and  $\rho(770)$  photoproduction**

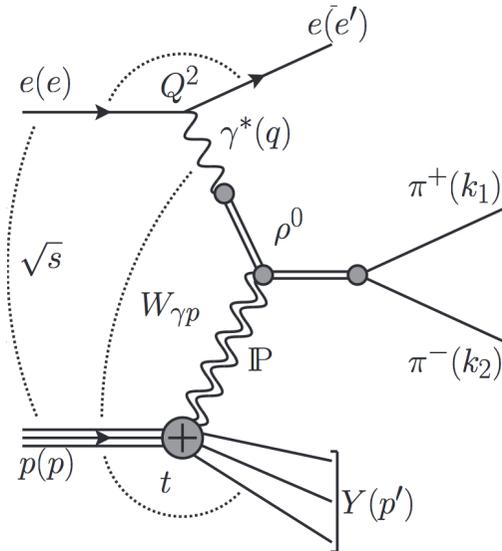
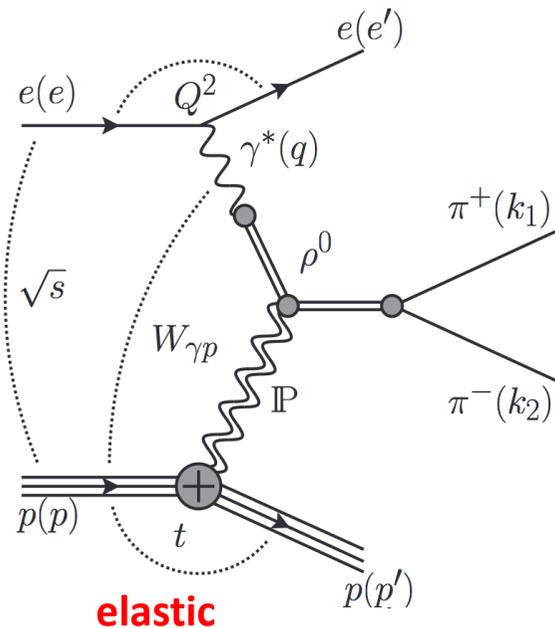
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# Transition soft $\rightarrow$ hard

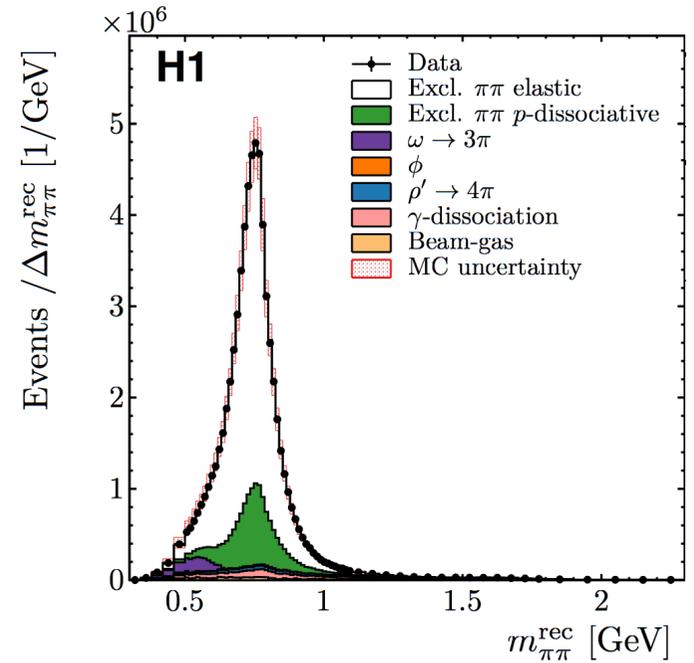


With increasing scale ( $Q^2, M_{VM}, t$ )

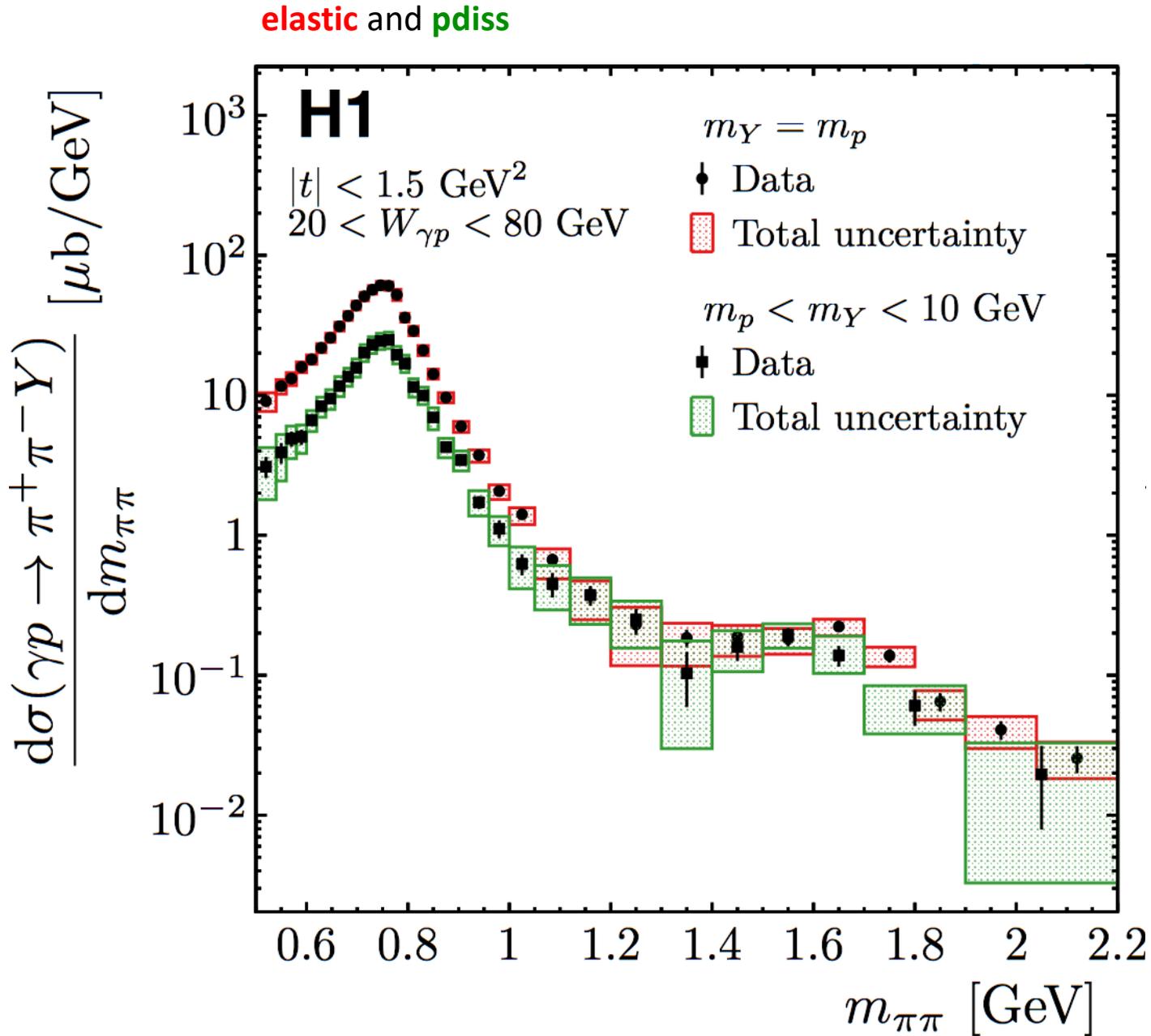
$VM = \rho^0$



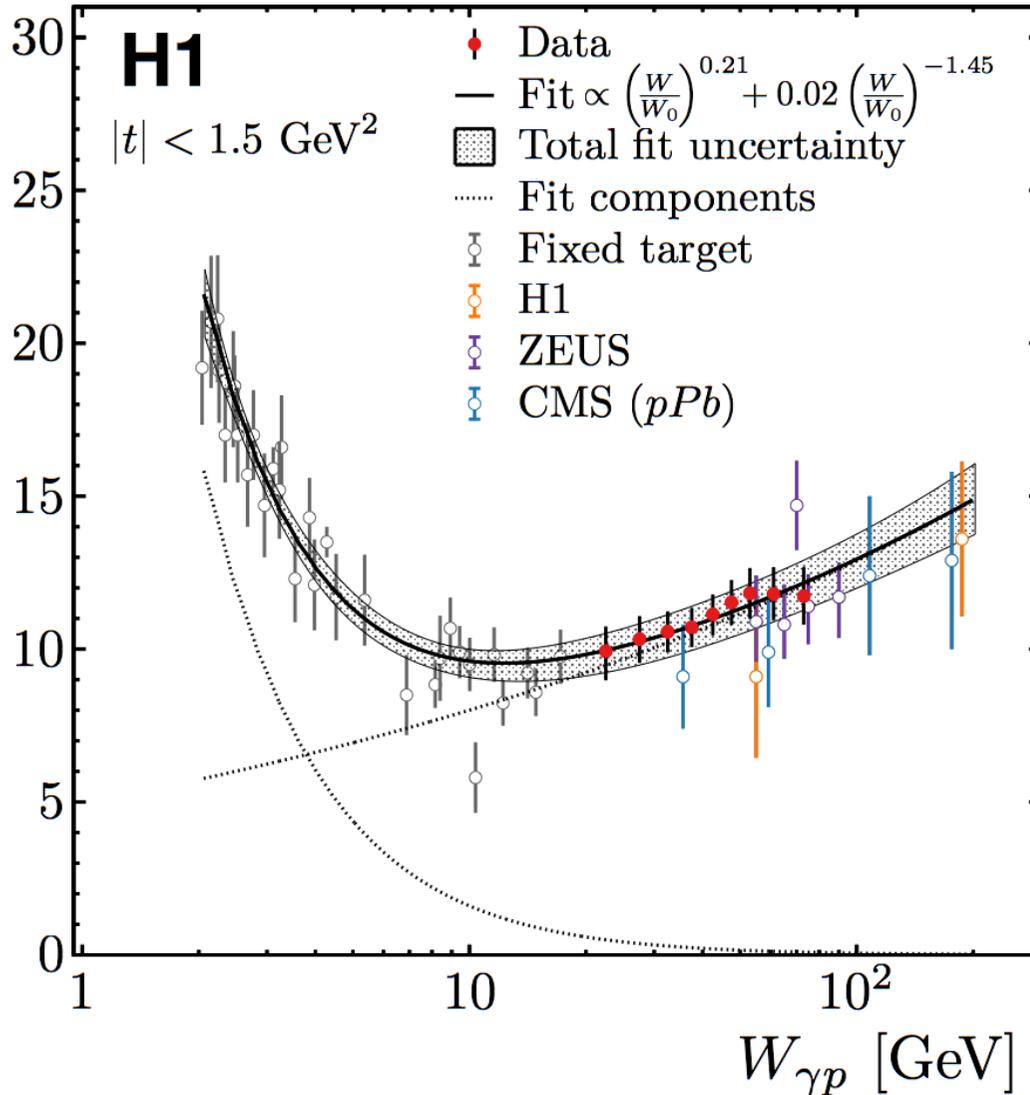
**proton-dissociative (hereafter pdiss)**



# Differential cross section $d\sigma(\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- Y)$



# Energy dependence of $\rho^0$ cross section



- Fit to H1 **elastic** and **pdiss** data

$$\sigma_\rho(W_{\gamma p}) = \sigma_\rho(W_0) \left(\frac{W_{\gamma p}}{W_0}\right)^\delta$$

$$\delta_{\text{el}} = +0.171 \pm 0.009 \begin{matrix} +0.039 \\ -0.026 \end{matrix}$$

$$\delta_{\text{pd}} = -0.156 \pm 0.026 \begin{matrix} +0.081 \\ -0.070 \end{matrix}$$

- Simultaneous fit to all elastic data

$$\sigma_\rho(W_{\gamma p}) = \sigma_\rho(W_0) \left( \left(\frac{W_{\gamma p}}{W_0}\right)^{\delta_P} + f_R \left(\frac{W_{\gamma p}}{W_0}\right)^{\delta_R} \right)$$

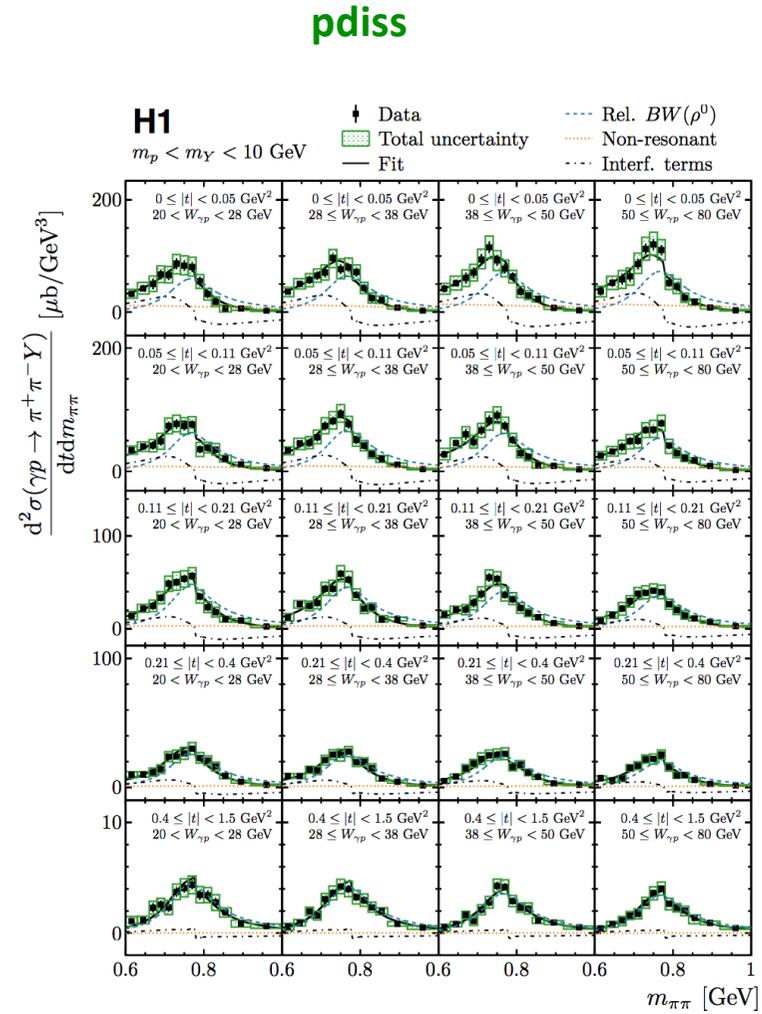
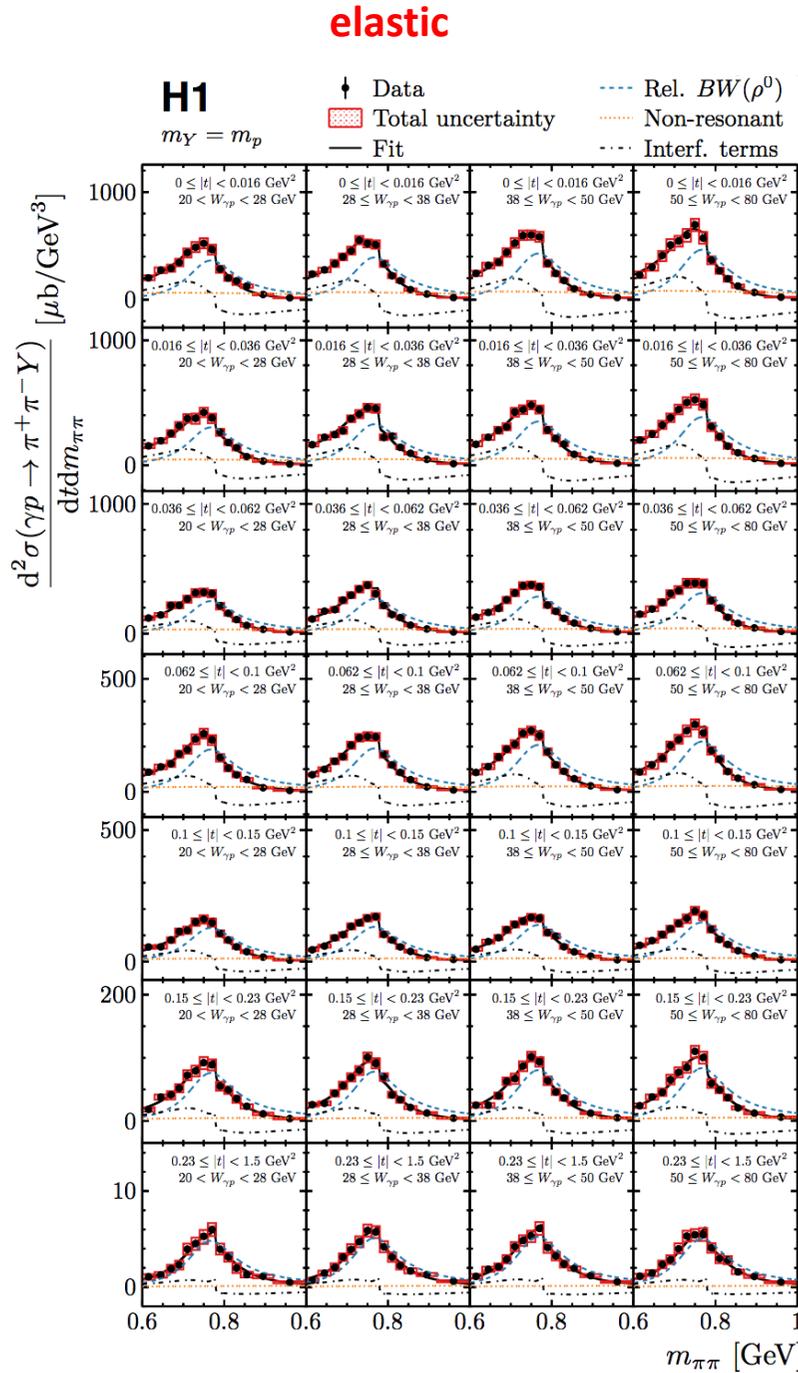
$$\delta_{\text{P,el}} = +0.207 \pm 0.015 \begin{matrix} +0.033 \\ -0.033 \end{matrix}$$

$$\delta_{\text{R,el}} = -1.45 \pm 0.12 \begin{matrix} +0.35 \\ -0.21 \end{matrix}$$

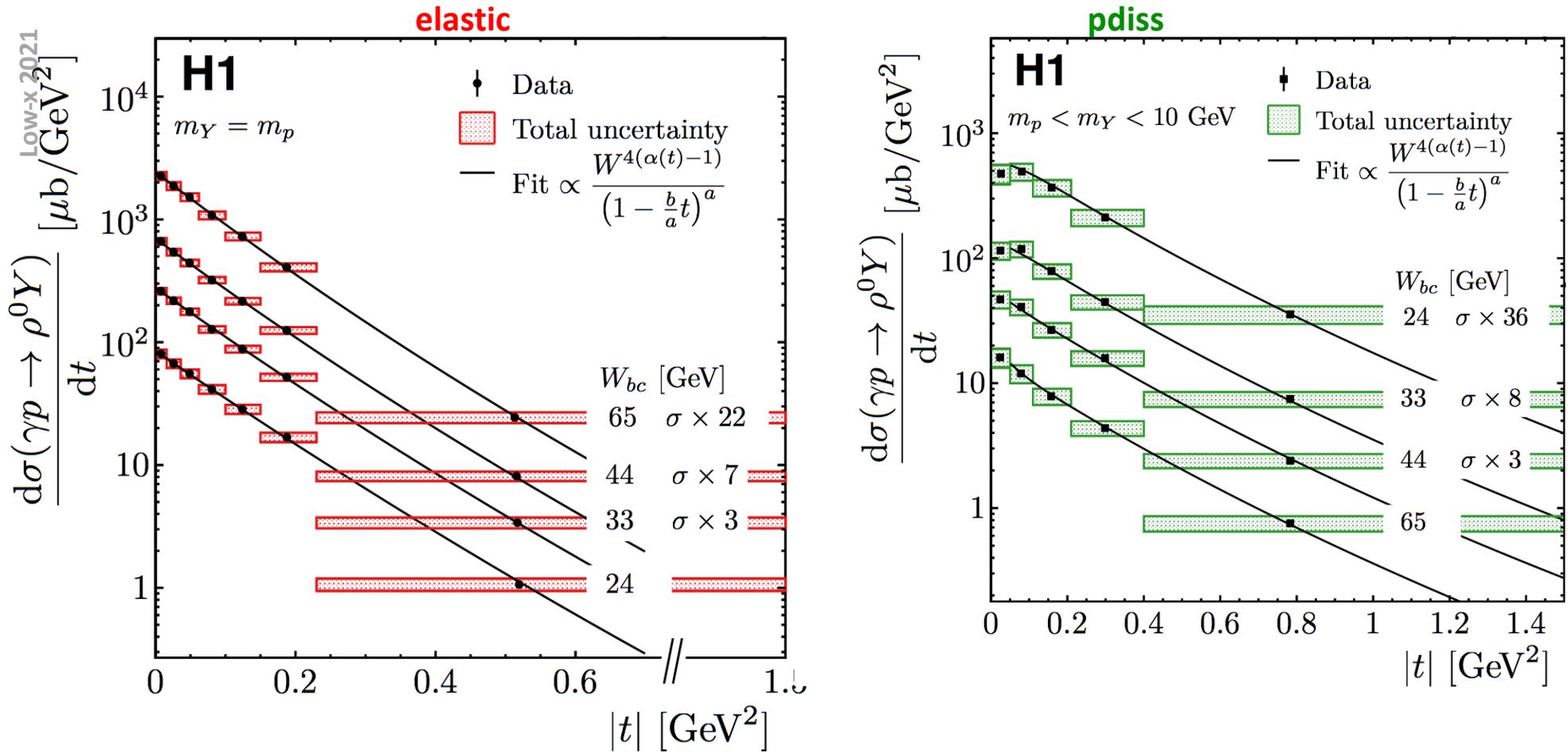
$$f_R = [2.0 \pm 0.7 \text{ (stat.) } \begin{matrix} +2.9 \\ -1.3 \end{matrix} \text{ (syst.)}] \%$$

→ **Small IR contribution**

# Double differential cross section $d\sigma(\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- Y)$



# t dependence of $\rho^0$ cross section



- Fit t dependence **elastic** and **pdiss** simultaneously

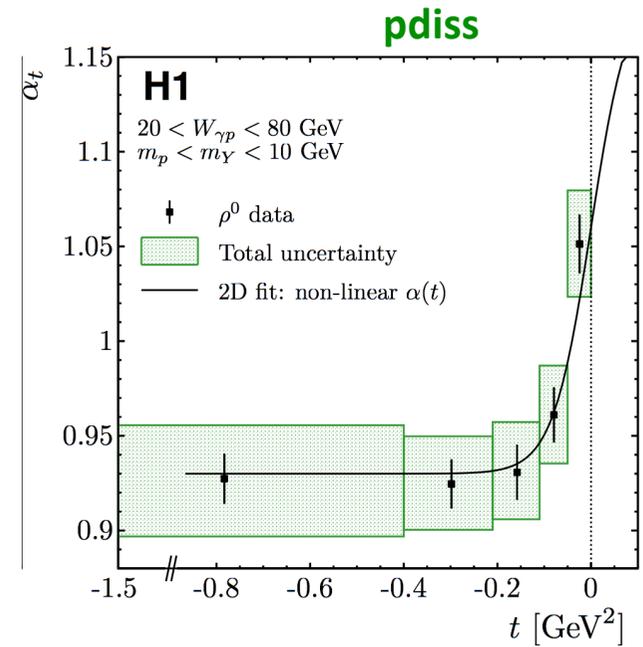
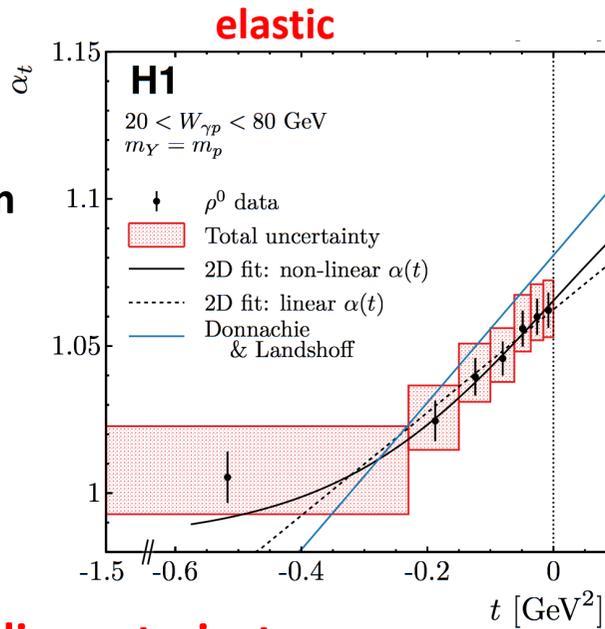
$$\frac{d\sigma_\rho(t)}{dt} = \frac{d\sigma_\rho(t=0)}{dt} \left(1 - \frac{bt}{a}\right)^{-a}$$

$b_{el} = 9.59 \pm 0.10^{+0.17}_{-0.12} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$   
 $a_{el} = 19.8 \pm 2.7^{+4.9}_{-4.7}$   
 $b_{pd} = 4.79 \pm 0.19^{+0.37}_{-0.39} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$   
 $a_{pd} = 9.1 \pm 1.5^{+3.1}_{-2.4}$

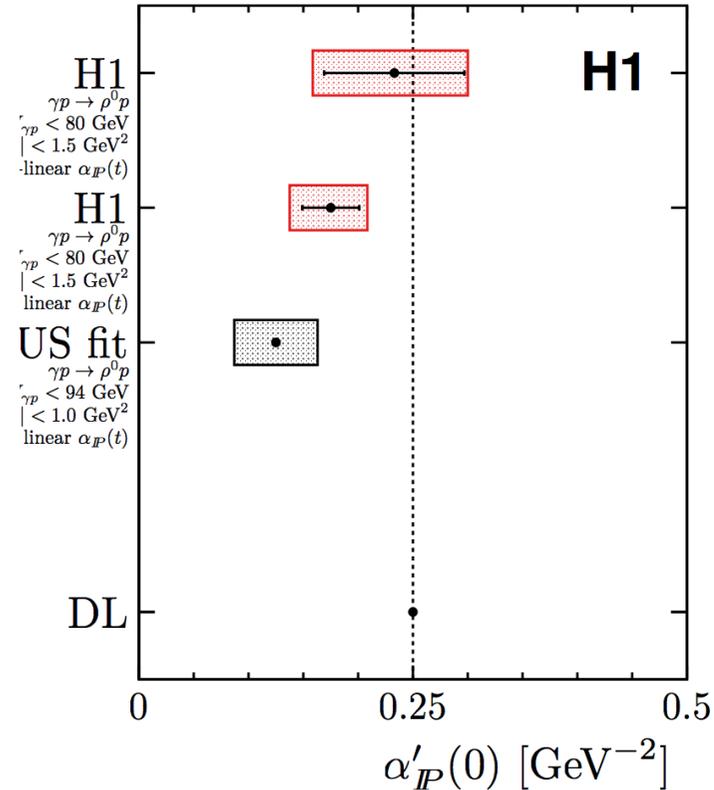
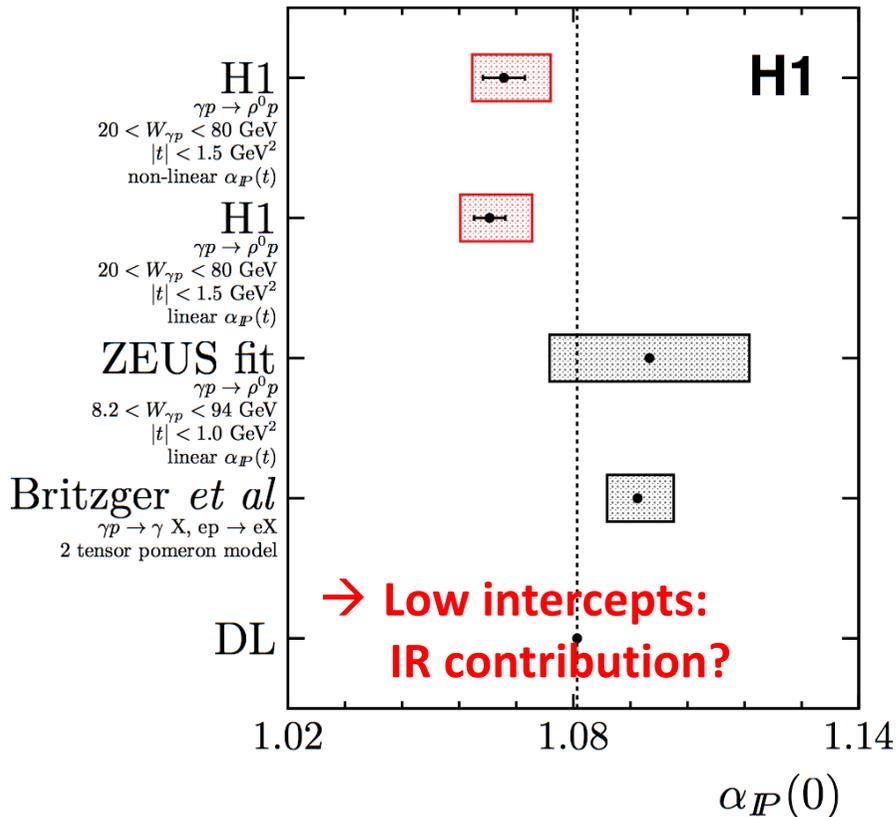
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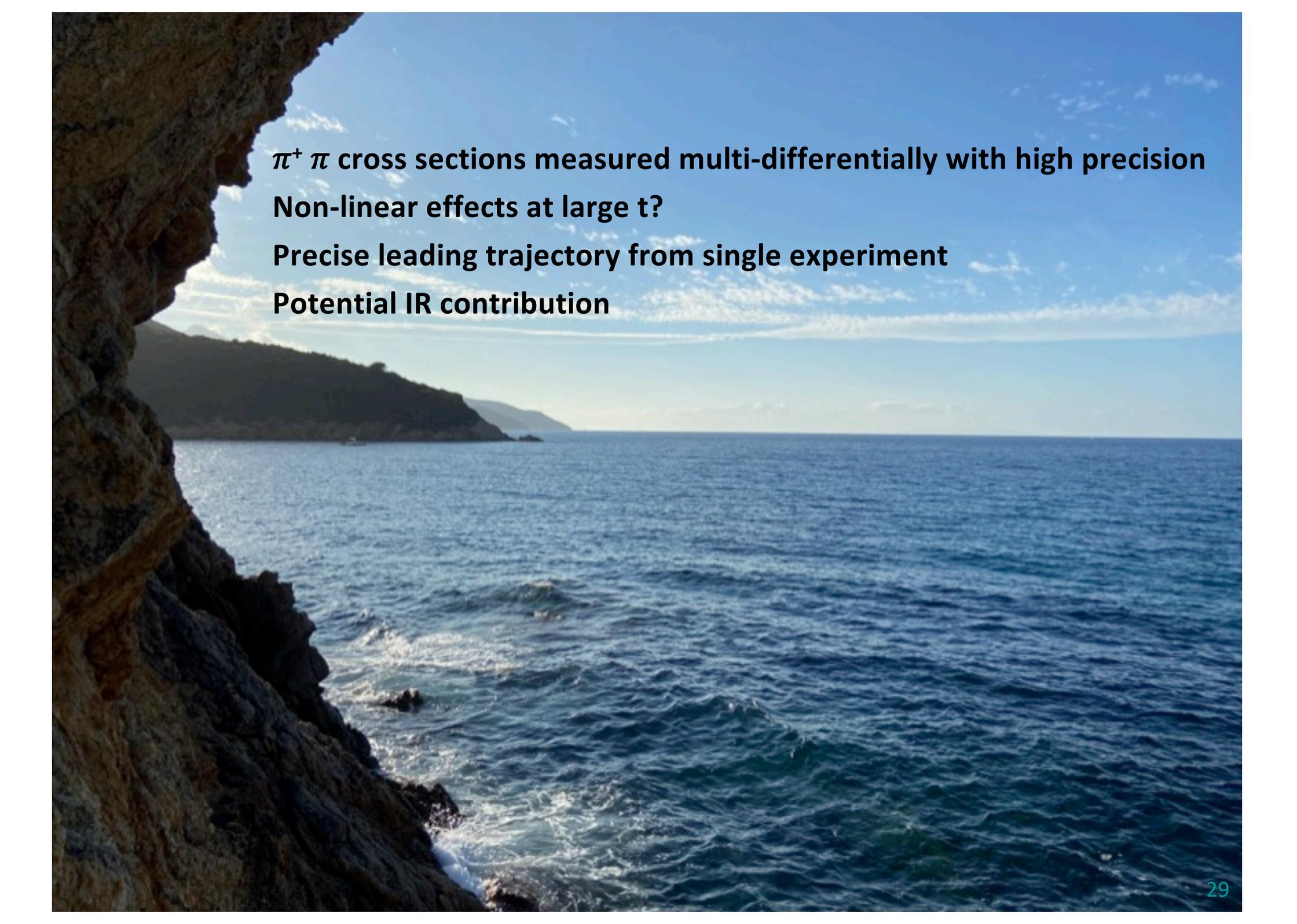
- Fitting trajectory in each  $t$  bin

$$\alpha(t) = \alpha_0 + \beta \left( \left( e^{-\frac{4\alpha_1 t}{\beta}} + 1 \right)^{-1} - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$



→ pdiss data suggest non-linear trajectory





**$\pi^+ \pi$  cross sections measured multi-differentially with high precision**  
**Non-linear effects at large  $t$ ?**  
**Precise leading trajectory from single experiment**  
**Potential IR contribution**