

# The total cross section at the LHC

## models and experimental consequences

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# Outline

- 1 The basic problem
- 2 Data
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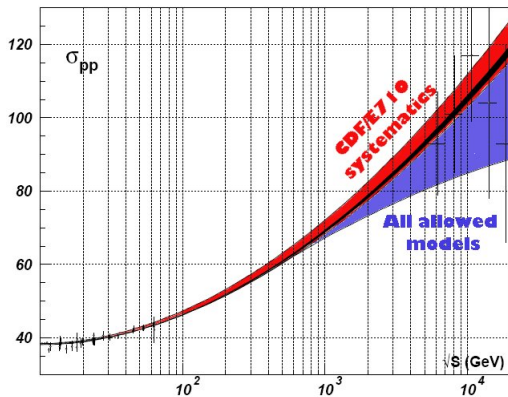
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# All $\sigma_{tot}$ and $\rho$ at $\sqrt{s} > 5\text{GeV}$ : COMPETE 2002

double poles ( $\log(s)$ )/ triple poles ( $\log^2(s)$ )  
 + 2 undegenerate lower trajectories



$$\sigma_{tot}^{pp}(10 \text{ TeV})$$

$$84 - 112 \text{ mb}$$

$$\sigma_{tot}^{pp}(14 \text{ TeV})$$

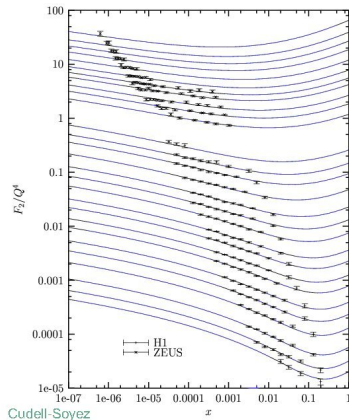
$$90 - 117 \text{ mb}$$

## Remarks

- best fit is a “universal” triple-pole but no universality in DIS
- soft pomeron fit gives  $\chi^2/dof$  of 1.12 but falls in the band
- triple poles fall for  $\sqrt{s} < 6$  GeV
- double pole negative for  $\sqrt{s} < 9.5$  GeV
- weight of low-energy data

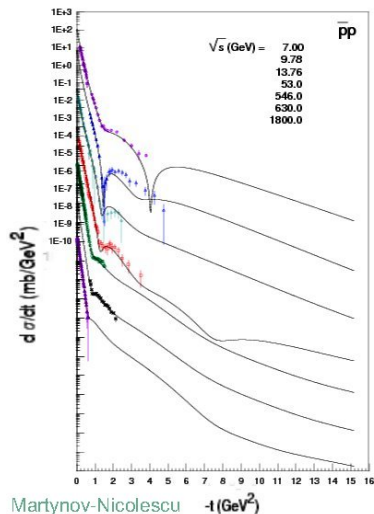
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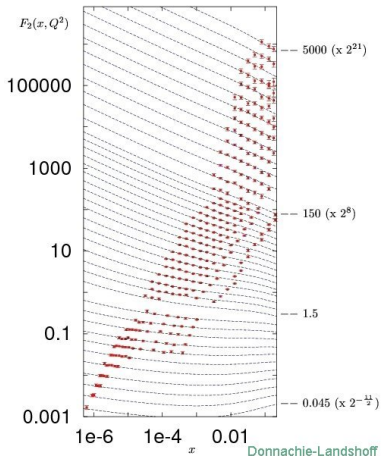
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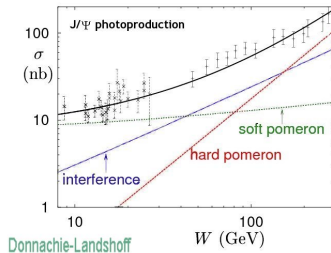
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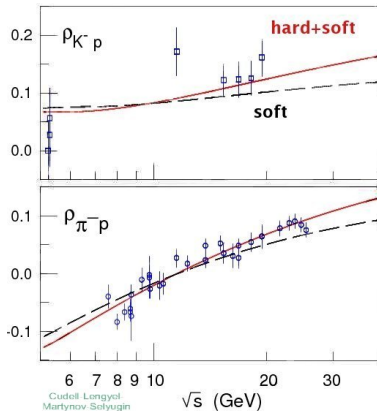
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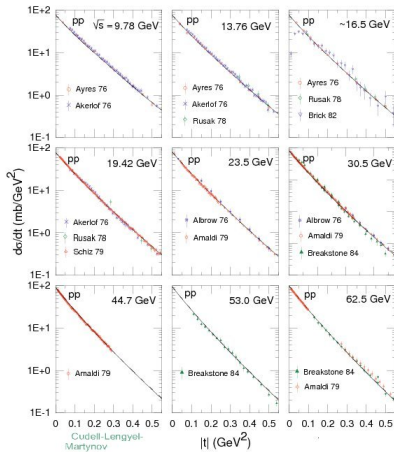
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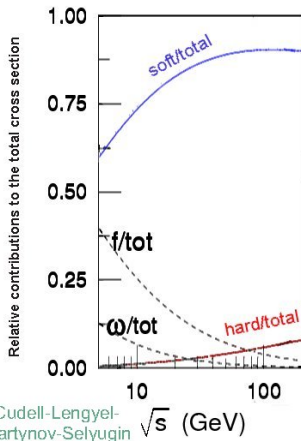
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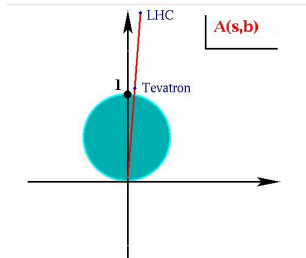


# Unitarity

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{1}{16\pi s^2} |a(s, t)|^2 \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Fourier} \\ \longrightarrow \\ \text{impact parameter} \end{array}$$

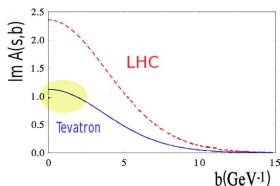
*partial wave*  $A(s, b)$ , ( $\ell = b\sqrt{s}$ )

$$|A(s, b)|^2 \leq 2\text{Im}(A(s, b))$$



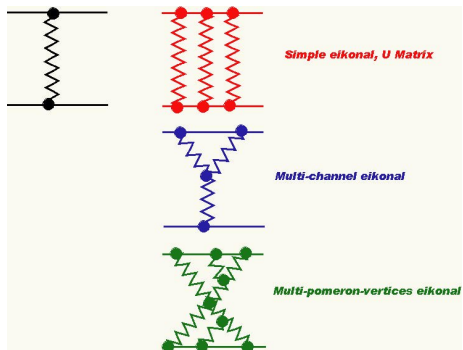
# Unitarity problem

Our model with soft+hard  
pomeron violates  
unitarity at small  $b$   
around the Tevatron  
energy, assuming the  $t$   
dependence given by  
 $F_1(t)$





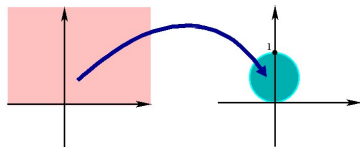
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Even in the simplest case we cannot calculate the resummation

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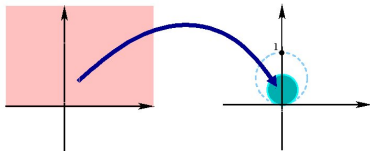


eikonal:  $\mathcal{A}(s, b) = i(1 - \exp(iA(s, b)))$

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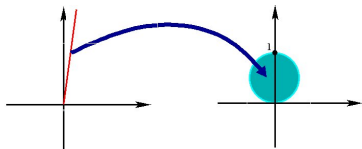
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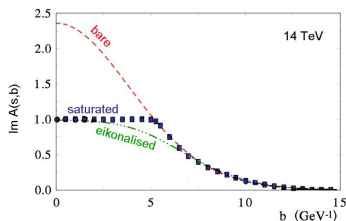
interpolating general scheme:

$$\mathcal{A}(s, b) = \frac{i}{\omega} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{(1 - i\omega \mathcal{A}(s, b) / \gamma)^\gamma} \right]$$

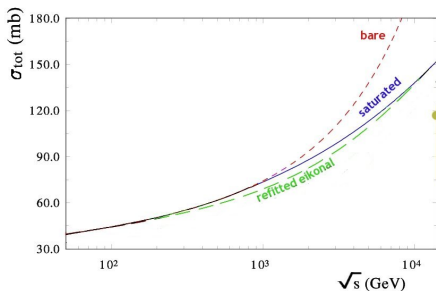
# Unitarised hard+soft pomerons

Two simple choices:

- “Saturation”: cut  $\text{Im } A(s, b)$  at 1 and add a smoothing function - in some sense minimal unitarisation
- Use a simple eikonal



# Consequences for $\sigma_{tot}$

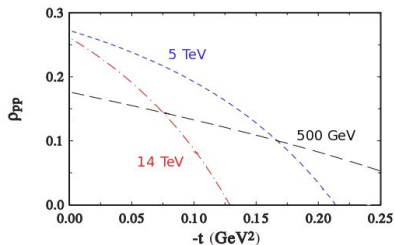


The total cross section could reach  $\sim 150$  mb:

$$\sigma_{tot}(10\text{TeV})=132 \text{ mb}$$

$$\sigma_{tot}(14\text{TeV})=146 \text{ mb}$$

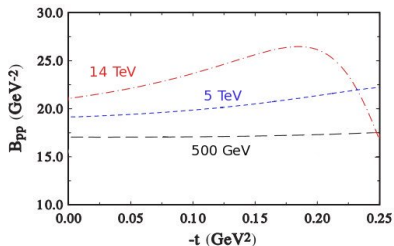
# $\rho$ parameter



The  $\rho$  parameter could be much larger:

$\rho(0) \geq 0.24$  is possible  
(at 10 or 14 TeV)

# Slope of the elastic cross section



The elastic cross section is not an exponential

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = A \exp(B(t)t)$$

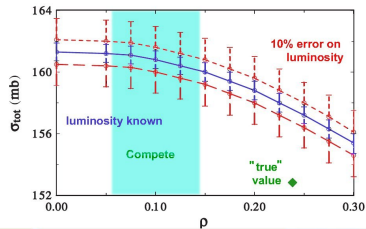
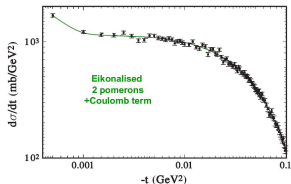


# Experimental measurement

The “standard” measurement of  $\sigma_{tot}$  assumes

- $B = \text{constant}$
- $\rho$  small

Simulate data + perform standard analysis



The extracted value of  $\sigma_{tot}$  is off by about 10 mb

# Predictions

$\sigma_{tot}(14\text{TeV})$	model	physics
$> 200 \text{ mb}$	U-matrix	new scattering regime
$\approx 150 \text{ mb}$	2-pomeron models	strong saturation
$100 - 115 \text{ mb}$	triple poles	1-pomeron eikonal, minijets
$< 100 \text{ mb}$	double poles	multi-pomeron vertices

# Measurements

- New regime  $\Rightarrow$ 
  - $\rho$  will have a strong  $t$  dependence
  - $d\sigma/dt \neq N \exp(Bt)$
- necessary to evaluate these dependences to measure the cross section to better than 10%.
- Note that this is the precision of the Tevatron measurements...