### Characterization of the underlying event in p-p collisions in CMS

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## The underlying event in p-p collisions

- The underlying event (UE) is everything except the hard scattering:
  - → Initial state radiation (ISR)
  - → Final state radiation (FSR)
  - → Multiple partonic interactions (MPI)
  - ➔ Beam remnants
- Its understanding is crucial for
  - ➔ precision measurements of the Standard Model processes
  - ➔ the search for new physics
- But its dynamics are not well understood
  - → soft & semi-hard interactions
  - → can not be fully described with perturbative QCD
  - phenomenological models in MC involve parameters which must be tuned using data



• Use LHC data to constrain the existing UE models

## Phenomenology of multi-parton interactions



#### Measurements of the UE

- Study the UE activity as a function of the hard scale of the event, and at different centre-of-mass energies
- Different possibilities
  - → <u>at central rapidities</u>



Hard scatter & UE are contained in same  $\eta$  range

- $\rightarrow$  divide  $\phi$  phase space to separate the UE from the hard scatter
- → look at particle densities, energies in the transverse region
- → As function of the hard scatter p<sub>T</sub> scale leading jets, Drell-Yan [JHEP 09 (2011) 109]
- → Use different observables: jet area/median
  - $\rightarrow$  no  $\phi$  phase space division needed

#### → at forward rapidities

UE observables separated with large  $\Delta\eta$  from hard scatter No division of  $\phi$  phase space Possible to study UE  $\phi$  structure

→ look at forward energy densities as a function of central leading jets



### Measurements with CMS detector at LHC

#### • CMS has a very good pseudorapidity coverage: -6.6 < $\eta$ < 5.2



**CASTOR** calorimeter  $-6.6 < \eta < -5.2$ 14m from IP tungsten/quartz Čerenkov detector 16  $\phi$  segmentations 14 modules in z

- Complementary approach to existing central UE measurements
  - → clean separation of the hard interaction from the soft components
  - → Drell-Yan: experimentally clean, theory well understood
  - → absence of QCD FSR & low probability of photon brehmsstrahlung from muons
- Measure particle & energy densities in central region:
  - ➔ average number of primary charged particles
  - $\rightarrow$  average of the scalar sum of  $p_T$  of the particles
  - → central charged particles:  $p_T > 0.5$  GeV/c,  $|\eta| < 2$  (muons from DY excluded)



• Study the UE activity as function of

 $(81 \text{ GeV/c}^2 < M_{\mu\mu} < 101 \text{ GeV/c}^2)$ 

- → the di-muon  $p_T$ : to minimize background, study dependence in narrow mass window
  - energy scale sufficiently large to saturate MPI

#### ➔ probes ISR spectrum

→ the di-muon mass: - look at wide  $M_{\mu\mu}$  range for di-muon  $p_T < 5$  GeV/c

→ verify MPI saturation

- Drell-Yan event selection:
  - → exactly 2 opposite charge isolated muons with  $p_T > 20$  GeV/c,  $|\eta| < 2.4$  from vertex well centered around the beam-spot
  - → charged particles for UE: central high purity tracks from primary vertex  $p_T > 0.5 \text{ GeV/c}, |\eta| < 2, \sigma(p_T)/p_T < 5\%$
- Study energy scale dependence of MPI as function of  $M_{\mu\mu}$ : → limit ISR: di-muon  $p_T < 5$  GeV/c





Dependence of UE activity vs di-muon  $p_{T}$ for 81 GeV/ $c^2$  < M<sub>uu</sub> < 101 GeV/ $c^2$ 

At this energy scale  $\rightarrow$  MPI saturated  $\rightarrow$  p<sub>T</sub> dependence sensitive to ISR

Towards & transverse region:  $\rightarrow$  slow growth in particle & energy density

with increasing di-muon  $p_{T}$ 

→ Madgraph with tune Z2 describes the data well → Powheg Z2 & Pythia8 4C fail to describe the data (but agree at low  $p_{T}$ )

#### Away region:

mostly sensitive to spectrum of hardest emission → equally well described by all tunes & generators

## UE activity with jet area/median

- Alternative method to study the UE activity at central rapidity
- Measure the soft hadronic activity by calculating the ratio of the jet  $p_T$ and the area covered by this jet in the  $(\eta, \phi)$  plane for all jets in the event
- Introduce event variable:  $\rho = \underset{j \in \text{jets}}{\text{median}} \left[ \left\{ \frac{p_{\text{T}j}}{A_j} \right\} \right]$ 
  - → median: robust to outliers in the distribution, these can be hard interactions
  - → ρ thus naturally isolates UE contributions assuming that the majority
    of the event is dominated by soft interactions
  - ➔ no geometrical slicing of phase space needed
- Use track-jets reconstructed with  $k_T$  algorithm, R = 0.6 within  $|\eta| < 1.8$ 
  - → input tracks:  $p_T > 0.3$  GeV/c,  $|\eta| < 2.3$
  - → on hadron level: stable charged particles with  $p_T > 0.3$  GeV/c,  $|\eta| < 2.3$
- Basic event selection: minimum bias (inclusive) events
   study the jet area/median observable as a function of the leading track-jet

## UE activity with jet area/median (II)

• First look at the inclusive event distributions of the jet area/median



## UE activity with jet area/median (III)

- Event scale dependency: jet area/median distribution vs leading jet
  - → both peak values and widths of the distributions change
  - $\rightarrow$  increase of UE activity with  $p_T$



- Characterize UE behavior by plotting the means as a function of leading jet  $\ensuremath{p_{T}}$ 
  - amount of events with very high activity is underestimated
  - implications on treatment of jet energy corrections using area-based methods
  - → Tune Z1, Z2, 4C are to low at 7 TeV



# Study of UE activity at forward rapidity

• Measure the Underlying Event (UE) activity by comparing energy density in CASTOR (-6.6 <  $\eta$  < -5.2) for minimum bias events w.r.t. events with a hard scale present



# Study of UE activity at forward rapidity (II)

• Hard-to-inclusive ratio vs leading charged jet  $p_T$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 0.9, 2.76, 7$  TeV

At 0.9 TeV: ratio below 1 production of central hard jets accompanied with higher UE activity depletes energy of the proton remnant which fragments in CASTOR At 7 TeV well known UE behaviour: fast increase at low  $p_T$  followed by a plateau above  $p_T=8$  GeV/c

At 2.76 TeV the increase of the ratio is much reduced



→ Pythia tunes fitted to LHC (Z2\*, 4C) & Herwig 2.5 describe data well

→ Older tune Pythia6 D6T fails to describe the results

# Study of UE activity at forward rapidity (III)

- Normalized energy density vs  $\sqrt{s}$ :
  - → normalized to 2.76 TeV (minimize systematic uncertainties)
  - → for both inclusive and hard scale (leading charged jet,  $p_T > 10$  GeV/c,  $|\eta| < 2$ ) events



• Increase of the UE activity with centre-of-mass energy very challenging

#### Summary

- Study of the Underlying Event activity is done (ongoing) in many ways in CMS
  - → at central rapidity using leading jets and Drell-Yan as hard scales to measure particle & energy densities, and novel observables as jet area/median
  - → at forward rapidity using leading jets to measure the relative energy densities
  - → at 3 different centre-of-mass energies: 0.9, 2.76 and 7 TeV
- Models tuned to LHC data can describe many aspects of the UE
  - → evolution of central & forward energy densities as function of the hard scale of the event (central leading jets & Drell-Yan process)
  - $\rightarrow$  behavior of the jet area/median as a function of the central leading jet  $p_T$ 
    - → universality of the UE description
- Notable discrepancies
  - $\rightarrow$  UE activity in the towards & transverse regions in Drell-Yan at high p<sub>T</sub>
  - → relative increase of forward energy density in inclusive and hard scale events

### Backup slides











## UE activity with the jet area/median approach



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Minimum bias (inclusive events)

- → energy density not much affected by MPI
- $\rightarrow$  non-diffractive dominated event sample characterized by  $\xi$  cuts



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➔ None of the tunes can fully describe the data