

Recent developments on diffraction in PYTHIA8



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- **(Reminder:) Update of PYTHIA8 wrt. PYTHIA6**

- same diffractive cross sections,
extended framework for hadronization of diffractive states

- **Implementation of MBR (Minimum-Bias Rockefeller) model**

- diffractive cross sections “from CDF”

- Central Diffraction (Double-Pomeron Exchange) simulated in PYTHIA for the first time in

PYTHIA8.165

- test of PYTHIA8 framework for diffractive hadronization

- comparison to a data-driven MBR hadronization model

- **Implementation of Central Diffraction for all diffractive models in**

PYTHIA8.170

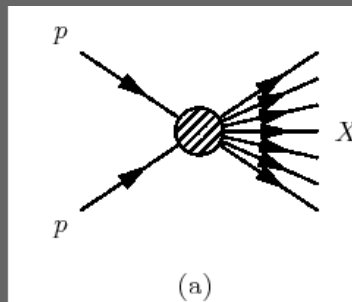
Main processes contributing to the total pp cross section



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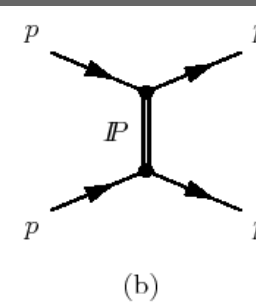
$$pp \rightarrow X$$

(exponentially-suppressed rapidity gap)

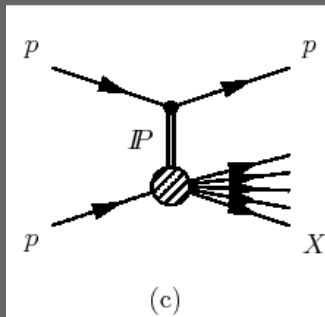


Elastic

$$pp \rightarrow pp$$

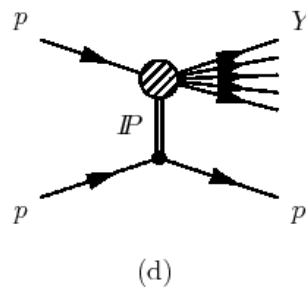


Diffractive:



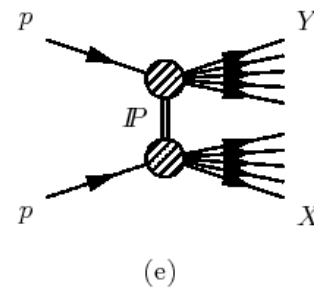
Single dissociation (SD),

$$pp \rightarrow Xp, pp \rightarrow pY$$



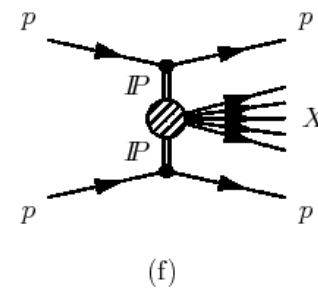
Double dissociation (DD),

$$pp \rightarrow XY$$



Central dissociation (CD)

$$pp \rightarrow pXp$$



or double-Pomeron exchange (DPE)

(a) and (c)-(f) contribute to the total-inelastic cross section

Diffraction in PYTHIA 6



Diffractive Cross Section Formulae:

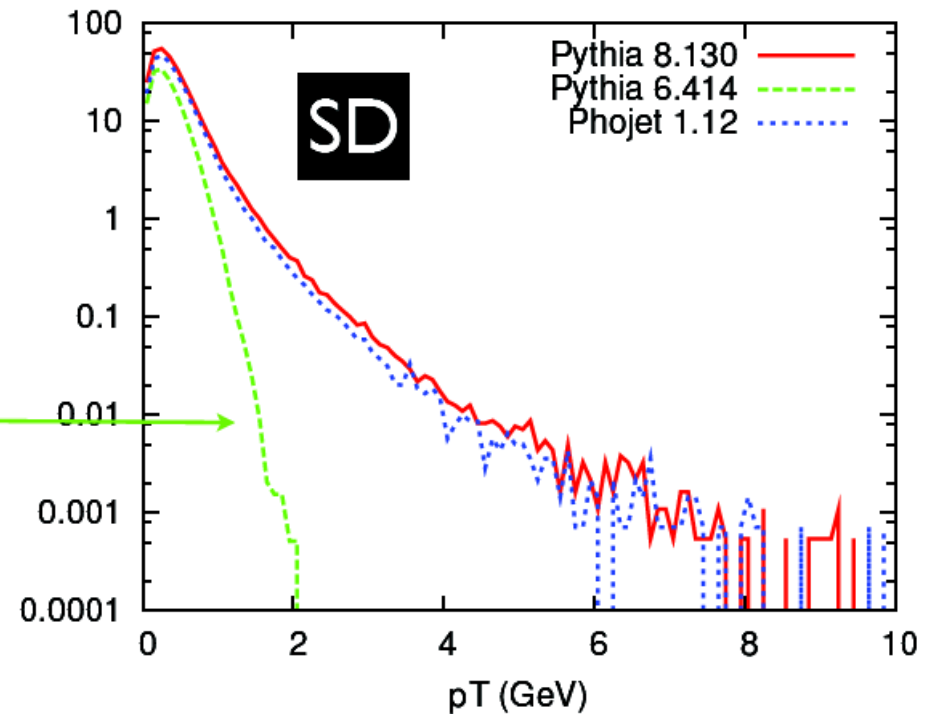
$$\frac{d\sigma_{sd}(AX)(s)}{dt dM^2} = \frac{g_{3IP}}{16\pi} \beta_{AIP}^2 \beta_{BIP} \frac{1}{M^2} \exp(B_{sd}(AX)t) F_{sd} ,$$
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Spectra:

$2 m_{\pi} < M_D < 1 \text{ GeV}$: 2-body decay
 $M_D > 1 \text{ GeV}$: string fragmentation

Partonic Substructure in Pomeron:

Only in POMPYT addon (P. Bruni, A. Edin, G. Ingelman) \blacktriangleright high- p_T "jetty" diffraction absent



Very soft spectra without POMPYT

PYTHIA 6: Supported, but not actively developed

Diffraction in PYTHIA 8



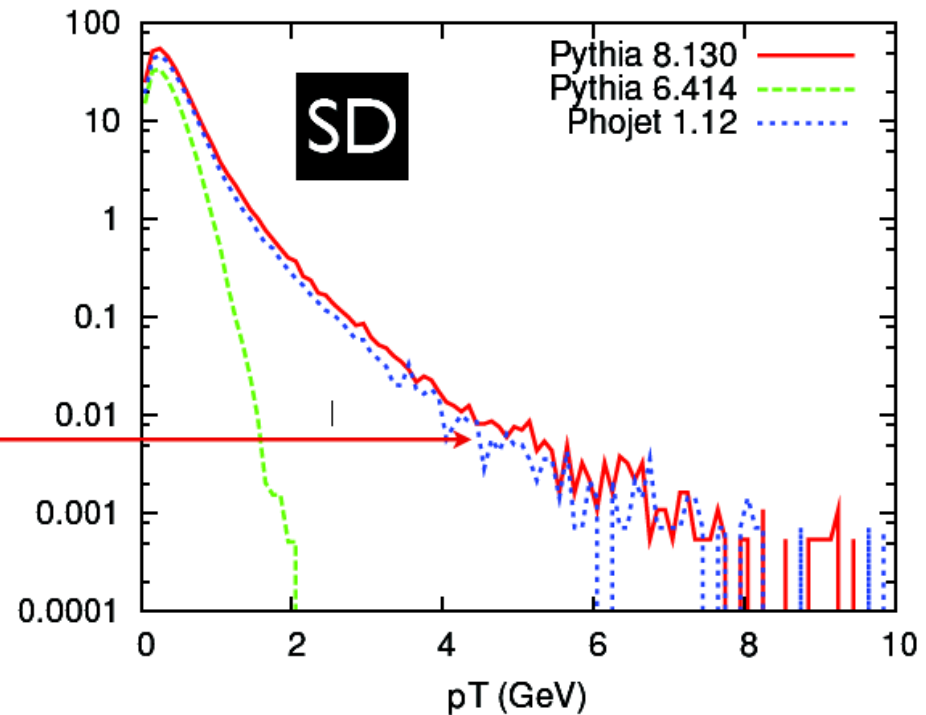
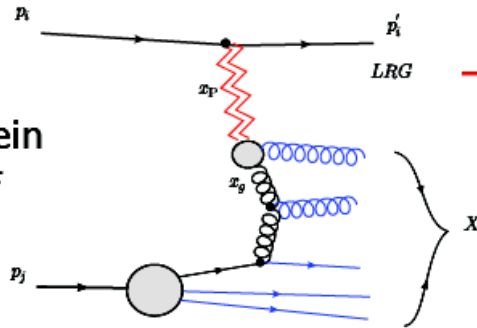
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Partonic Substructure in Pomeron:

Follows the
Ingelman-Schlein
approach of
Pompyt



- ▶ $M_X \leq 10 \text{ GeV}$: original longitudinal string description used
- ▶ $M_X > 10 \text{ GeV}$: new perturbative description used (incl full MPI+showers for Pp system)

Choice between 5 Pomeron PDFs. Free parameter $\sigma_{\mathbb{P}p}$ needed to fix $\langle n_{\text{interactions}} \rangle = \sigma_{\text{jet}} / \sigma_{\mathbb{P}p}$.

Framework needs testing and tuning, e.g. of $\sigma_{\mathbb{P}p}$.

Navin, arXiv:1005.3894

MBR (Minimum-Bias Rockefeller) Monte Carlo simulation - an event generator addressing the contribution from diffractive processes:

- Predicts energy dependence of the total, elastic and total-inel. cross sections.
- Fully simulates diffractive components (SD, DD, CD) of the total-inelastic xsec, based on renormalized Regge-theory model (Pomeron flux interpreted as probability of diffractive gap formation, which saturates at unity).
- Originally written for, and tested at CDF (down to lowest masses, M_x).
- Implemented in PYTHIA8.165.

Documented in [arXiv:1205.1446](https://arxiv.org/abs/1205.1446)

- MBR hadronization from phenomenological model based on pre-LHC and pre-Tevatron low-energy data →
can be used to test PYTHIA8 framework for hadronization of diffractive masses.

MBR - total, elastic and total-inelastic cross sections



• Total pp cross section

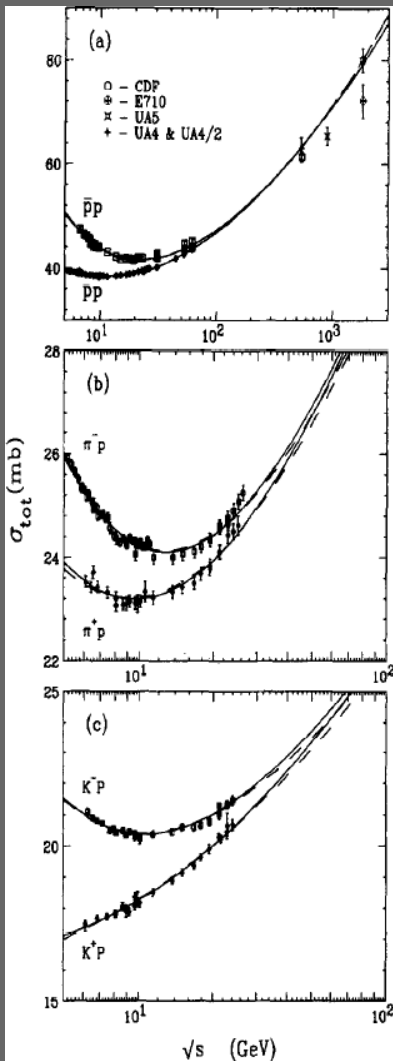
Energy dependence:

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{p^{\pm}p} = \begin{cases} 16.79s^{0.104} + 60.81s^{-0.32} \mp 31.68s^{-0.54} & \text{for } \sqrt{s} < 1.8 \text{ TeV,} \\ \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{CDF}} + \frac{\pi}{s_0} \left[\left(\ln \frac{s}{s_F} \right)^2 - \left(\ln \frac{s^{\text{CDF}}}{s_F} \right)^2 \right] & \text{for } \sqrt{s} \geq 1.8 \text{ TeV,} \end{cases}$$

- For $\sqrt{s} < 1.8$ TeV – global fit to pre-LHC data on $p^{\pm}p$, $K^{\pm}p$, $\pi^{\pm}p$ cross-sections. [Phys.Lett B389, 176 \(1996\)](#)

- For $\sqrt{s} > 1.8$ TeV (LHC and beyond) – model based on a saturated Froissart bound. [arXiv:1105.4916](#)

Froissart bound with two parameters: $s_F = 22$ GeV, $s_0 = 3.7 \pm 1.5$ GeV⁻², normalized to the CDF measurement @1.8 TeV: 80.03 ± 2.24 mb.



MBR - total, elastic and total-inelastic cross sections



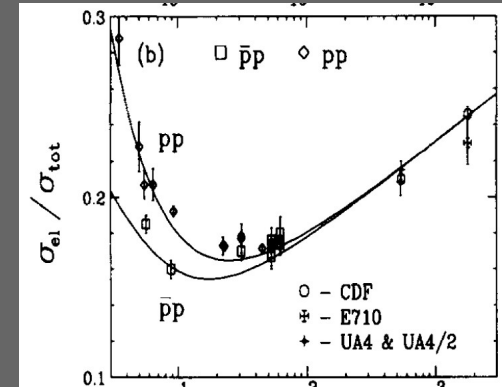
- Elastic cross section

$$\sigma_{\text{el}} = r \cdot \sigma_{\text{tot}}$$

with $r = \sigma_{\text{el}} / \sigma_{\text{tot}}$ from the global fit.

Linear $\log(s)$ dependence at higher energies \rightarrow model expected to be valid up to energies of O(50 TeV) (black-disk limit).

Phys.Lett B389, 176 (1996)



- Total-inelastic cross section

$$\sigma_{\text{inel}} = \sigma_{\text{tot}} - \sigma_{\text{el}}$$

MBR - diffractive cross sections



hep-ph/0407035
arXiv:hep-ph/020314

- Calculated based on renormalized-Regge theory.
- Differential cross sections vs. rapidity gap width, Δy , and 4-momentum transfer squared, t :

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{SD}}{dt d\Delta y} = \frac{1}{N_{\text{gap}}(s)} \left[\frac{\beta^2(t)}{16\pi} e^{2[\alpha(t)-1]\Delta y} \right] \cdot \left\{ \kappa \beta^2(0) \left(\frac{s'}{s_0} \right)^\epsilon \right\},$$

$$\frac{d^3\sigma_{DD}}{dt d\Delta y dy_0} = \frac{1}{N_{\text{gap}}(s)} \left[\frac{\kappa \beta^2(0)}{16\pi} e^{2[\alpha(t)-1]\Delta y} \right] \cdot \left\{ \kappa \beta^2(0) \left(\frac{s'}{s_0} \right)^\epsilon \right\},$$

$$\frac{d^4\sigma_{DPE}}{dt_1 dt_2 d\Delta y dy_c} = \frac{1}{N_{\text{gap}}(s)} \left[\prod_i \left[\frac{\beta^2(t_i)}{16\pi} e^{2[\alpha(t_i)-1]\Delta y_i} \right] \right] \cdot \kappa \left\{ \kappa \beta^2(0) \left(\frac{s'}{s_0} \right)^\epsilon \right\}, \quad \Delta y = \Delta y_1 + \Delta y_2$$

DD: y_0 – center of rapidity gap, DPE: y_c – rapidity of dissociated system

$$\alpha(t) = 1 + \epsilon + \alpha' t = 1.104 + 0.25 (\text{GeV}^{-2}) \cdot t$$

$$\beta^2(t) = \beta^2(0) F^2(t)$$

$$\kappa \equiv g(t) / \beta(0)$$

$$\xi = e^{-\Delta y} \quad \xi_{SD} = M^2/s$$

$$\xi_{DD} = M_1^2 M_2^2 / (s \cdot s_0)$$

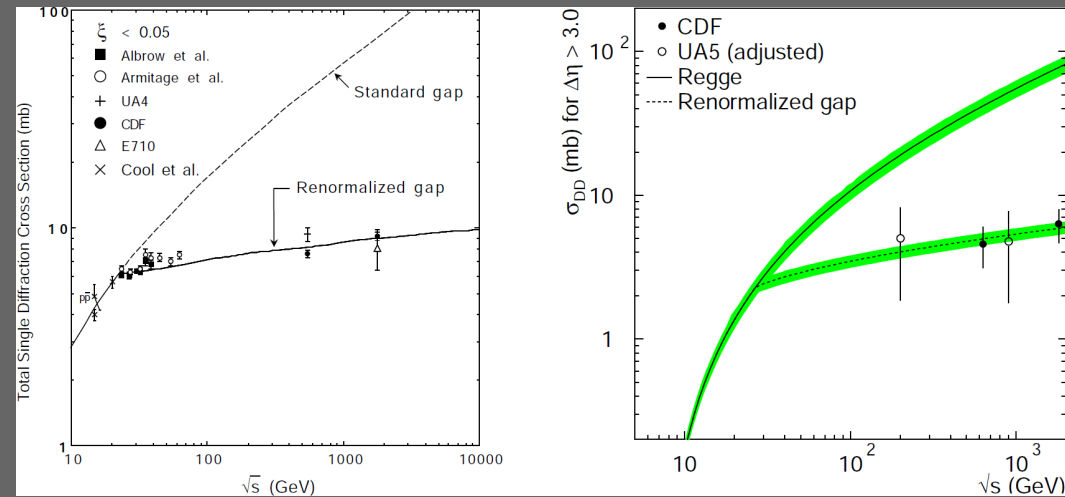
$$\text{DPE } \xi = \xi_1 \xi_2 = M^2/s$$

- Term in $\{ \}$ brackets: total Pomeron-p cross section at a reduced energy $s'=s \cdot e^{-dy}$.
- Term in $[]$ brackets: Pomeron flux.
- $N_{\text{gap}}(s)$: renormalization factor: $\min(1, f)$, with $f :=$ integral of Pomeron flux
→ allows to interpret the flux as (diffractive) gap-formation probability.

MBR - diffractive cross sections



- Flux renormalization procedure brings the standard Regge theory predictions in agreement with the CDF data.



from [arXiv:hep-ph/020314](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/020314)

Small gap widths, diffractive limit

Cross section formulae are used to generate events with large (diffractive) rapidity gaps. Small gaps are suppressed by convoluting the formulae with the error function (cumulative Gauss distribution) centered at $\Delta y_s = 2$ with a width of $\sigma_s = 0.5$:

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{\Delta y - \Delta y_s}{\sigma_s} \right) \right]$$

SD events: coherence limit ($\xi \leq 0.135$)

DD events: arbitrary choice, because small gaps in DD and ND events cannot be unambiguously distinguished.

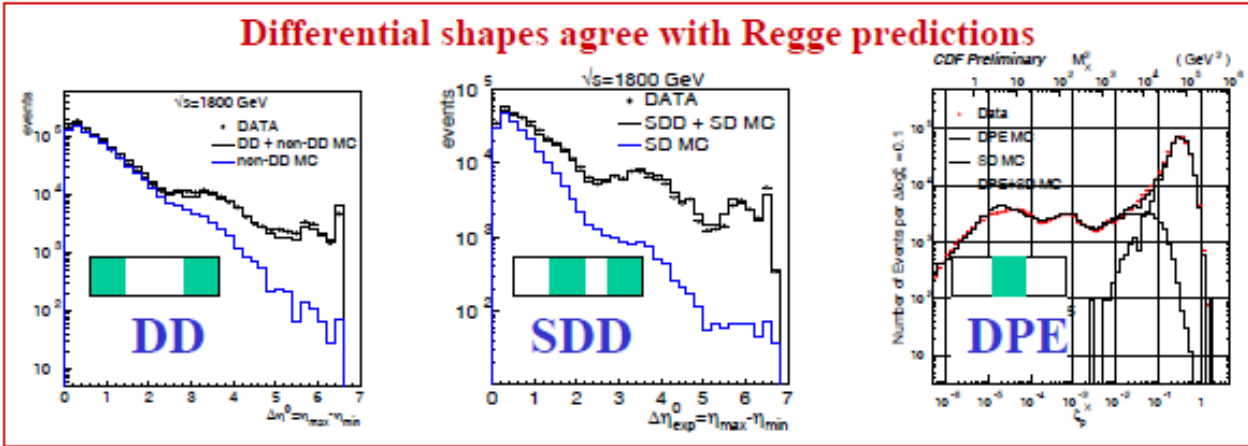
CD events: suppression applied on total gap width, $\Delta y = \Delta y_1 + \Delta y_2$.

MBR vs. CDF data

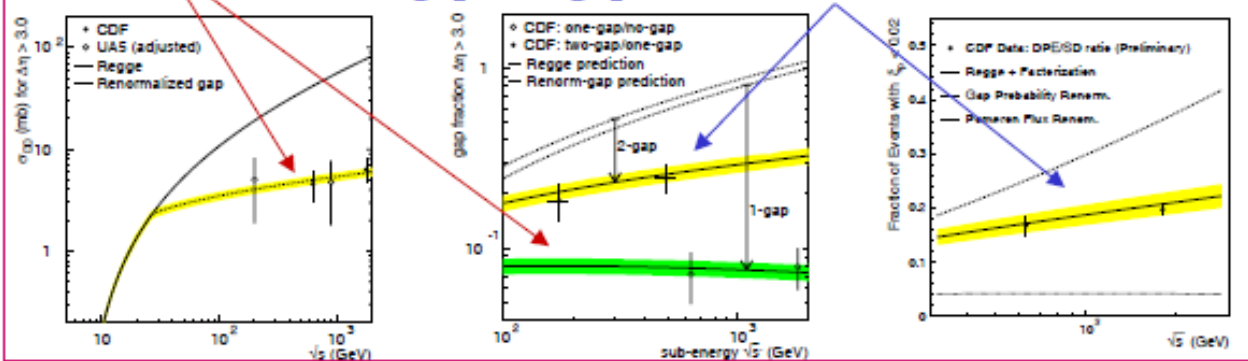


Central & Double-Gap CDF Results

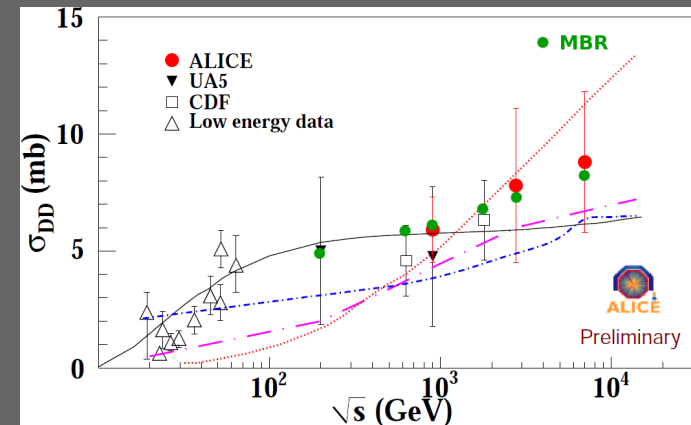
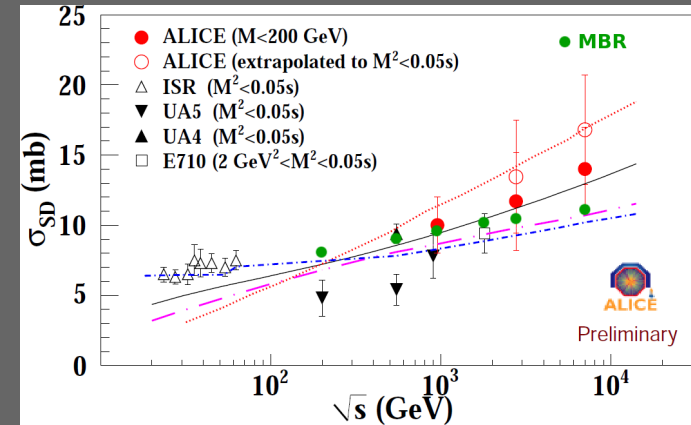
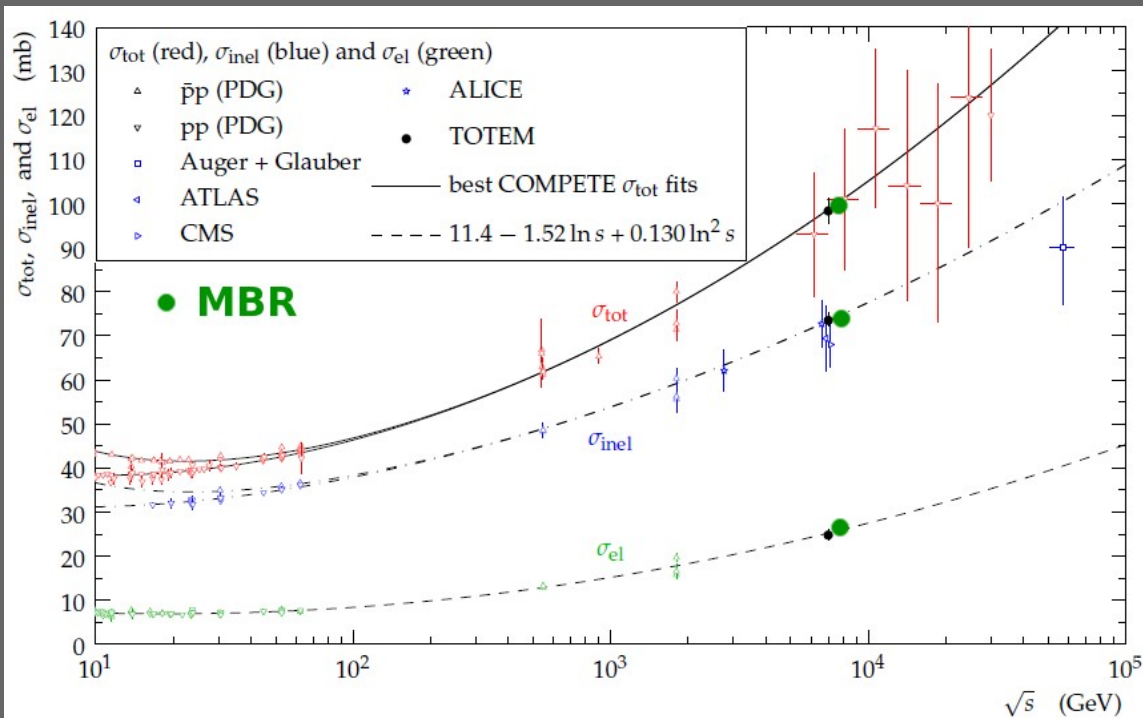
Differential shapes agree with Regge predictions



- One-gap cross sections are suppressed
- Two-gap/one-gap ratios are $\approx \kappa = 0.17$



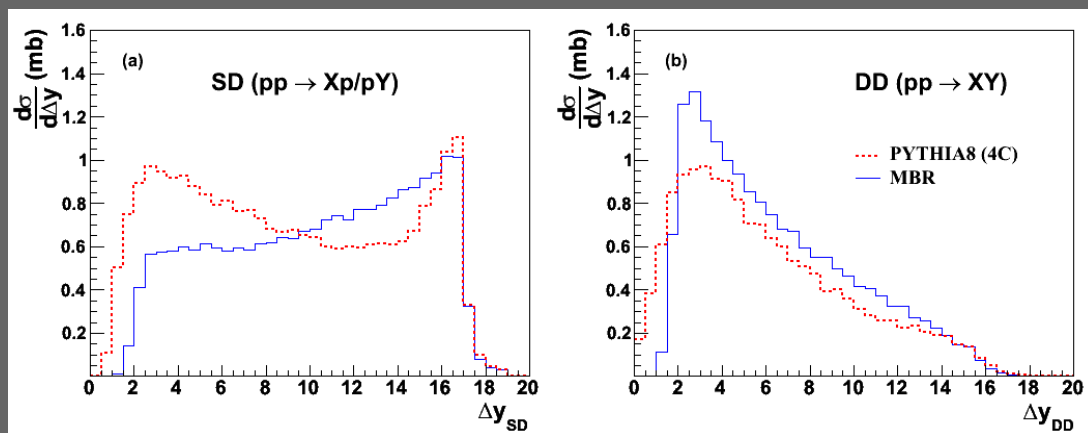
MBR vs. LHC data



MBR - implementation in PYTHIA8.165



PYTHIA8-MBR simulation activated with `Diffraction:PomFlux = 5.`



SD, DD processes

MBR code added to the already existing simulation of processID = 103/104, 105. Comparison with default Pythia8-4C simulation (rescaled Schuler&Sjostrand model, `Diffraction:PomFlux=1`) above.

- **CD (DPE) process**

Implemented in PYTHIA for the first time. ProcessID=106, `SoftQCD:centralDiffraction = on.` Possible to extend for other CD processes such as exclusive di-jet or di-hadron production.

- **Hadronization of diffractive system based on PYTHIA8-4C tune (default).**

MBR at CDF - phenomenological model for hadronization

- In the original hadronization model in MBR at CDF the diffractive system of mass M_x hadronized as the (non-diffractive) pp collision at $\sqrt{s} = M_x$. Only one hadronic system in the game!
- Toy model: mainly π^+ , π^- and $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ in the final state.

Track multiplicities:

Parameterisation of particle multiplicities follows a **Modified Gamma Distribution** described in **PLB 193, 151 (1987)**. This parameterization was tested using existing pre-LHC and pre-Tevatron pp data in a wide range of \sqrt{s} :

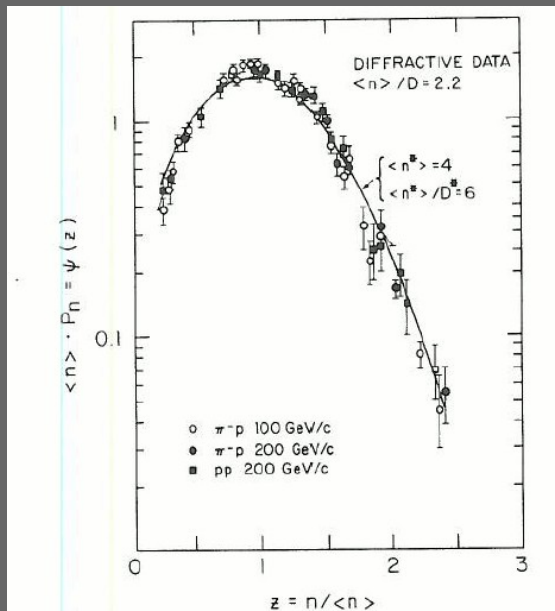


Fig. 1. The diffractive data of ref. [3] fitted with the modified gamma function.

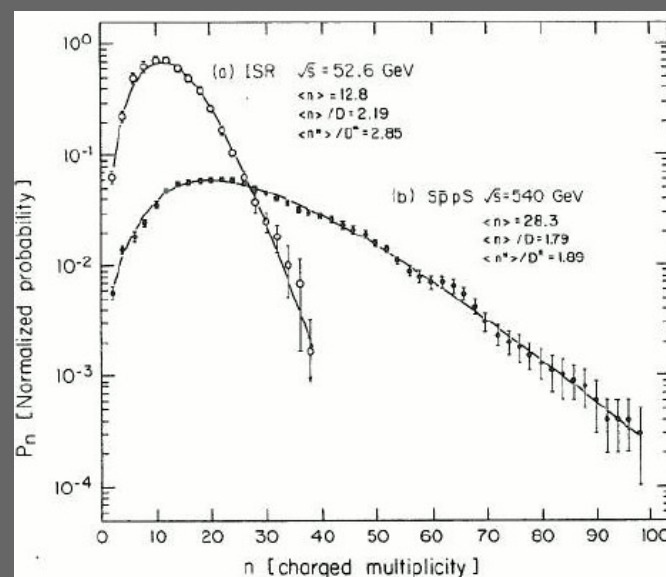


Fig. 2. Full phase space inelastic non-single-diffractive data fitted with the modified gamma function: (a) ISR data [5] at $\sqrt{s} = 52.6$ GeV and (b) collider data [7] at $\sqrt{s} = 540$ GeV.

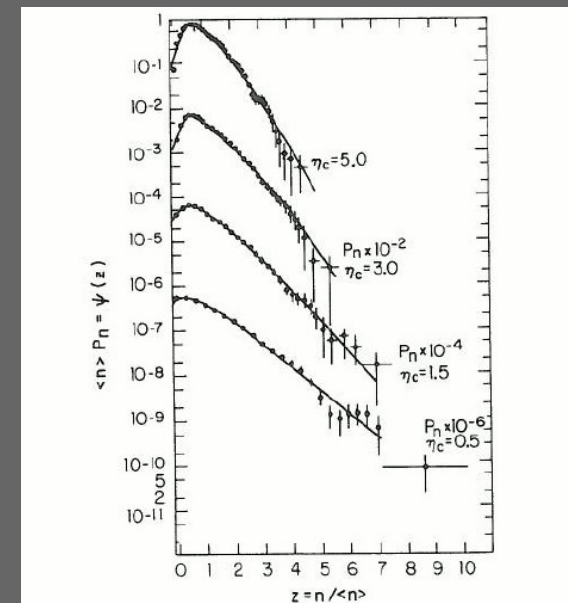


Fig. 3. Fits with the modified gamma function of charged-particle multiplicity distributions in restricted pseudorapidity intervals, defined by $|\eta| < \eta_c$, at $\sqrt{s} = 540$ GeV (data from ref. [9]).

MBR at CDF - phenomenological model for hadronization



p_T spectra:

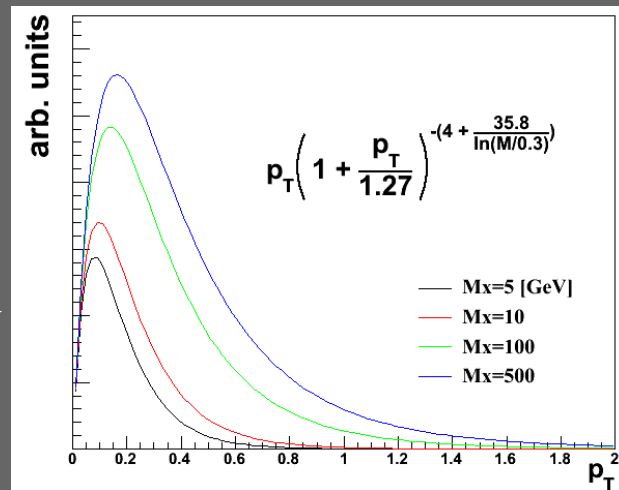
From MBR user guide at CDF

6.2 Transverse momentum distribution

For diffractive mass clusters with 2 or 3 particles, the direction of the nucleus is chosen from the angular distribution $dP/d\cos\theta \sim 1 + \cos^2\theta$, and the momentum is balanced by the remaining pion(s). For $n > 3$, the transverse momentum of the particles is taken from the empirically determined distribution [15]

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_T} \sim p_T \left(1 + \frac{p_T}{1.27 \text{ GeV}}\right)^{-4 - 35.8/\ln(M/0.3 \text{ GeV})} \quad (6.2)$$

for available mass M . The total p_T is then balanced, which changes the p_T of the particles only slightly.



Mx-dependent p_T spectra (UA1).

[15] G. Arnison *et al.*, (UA1 Collaboration), Phys Lett. B **118**, 167 (1982).

→ Test PYTHIA8-4C framework for Mx hadronization using MBR model.

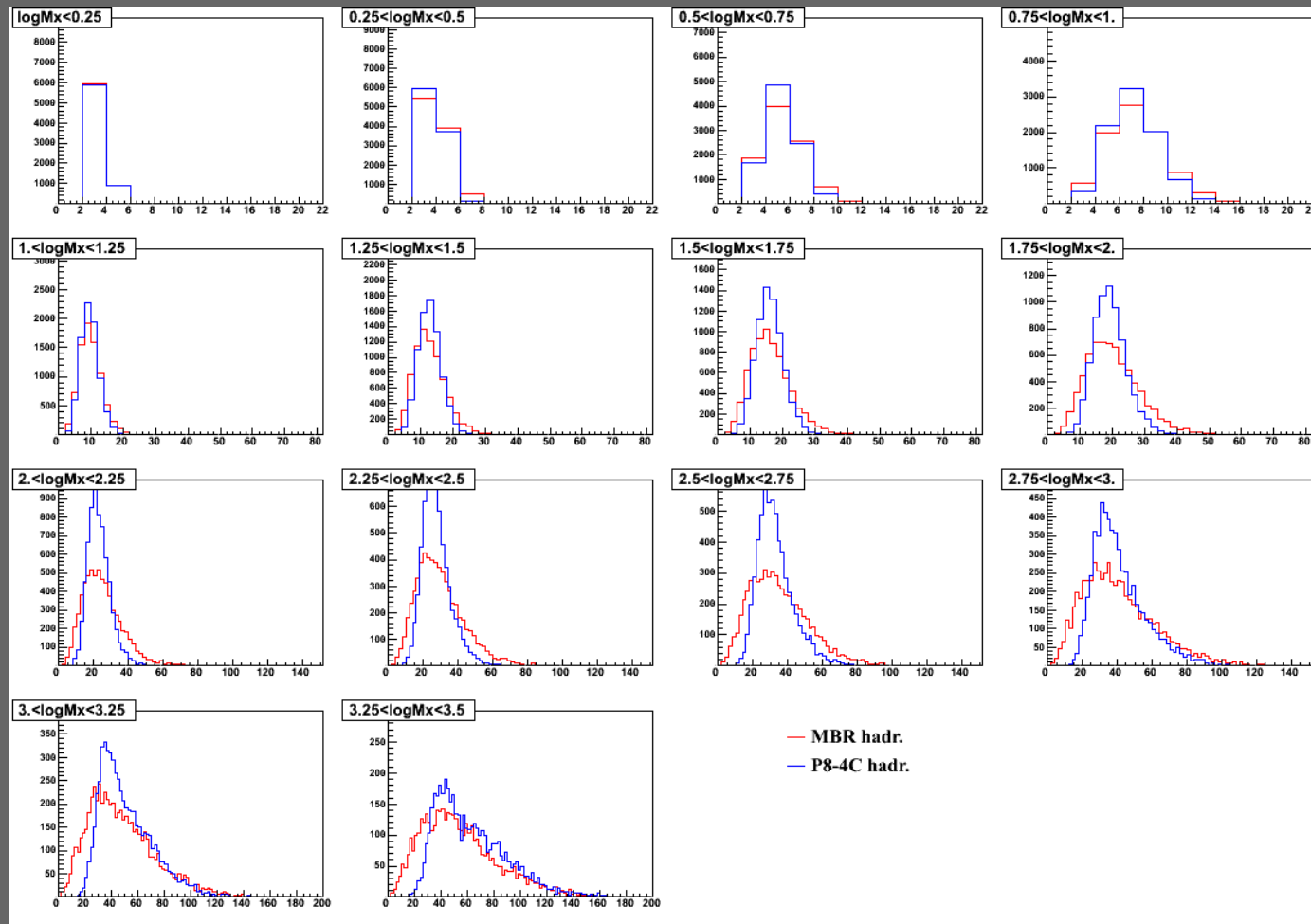
→ Tune critical parameters of Diffraction (sigmaPomP, pickQuarkNorm/Power) and StringPT classes to bring multiplicity and p_T spectra of Mx system close to MBR hadronization model.

PYTHIA8 vs. MBR hadroniation



Charge-particle multiplicities in bins of M_x (SD process):

14 bins of $\log M_x$ (width=0.25)

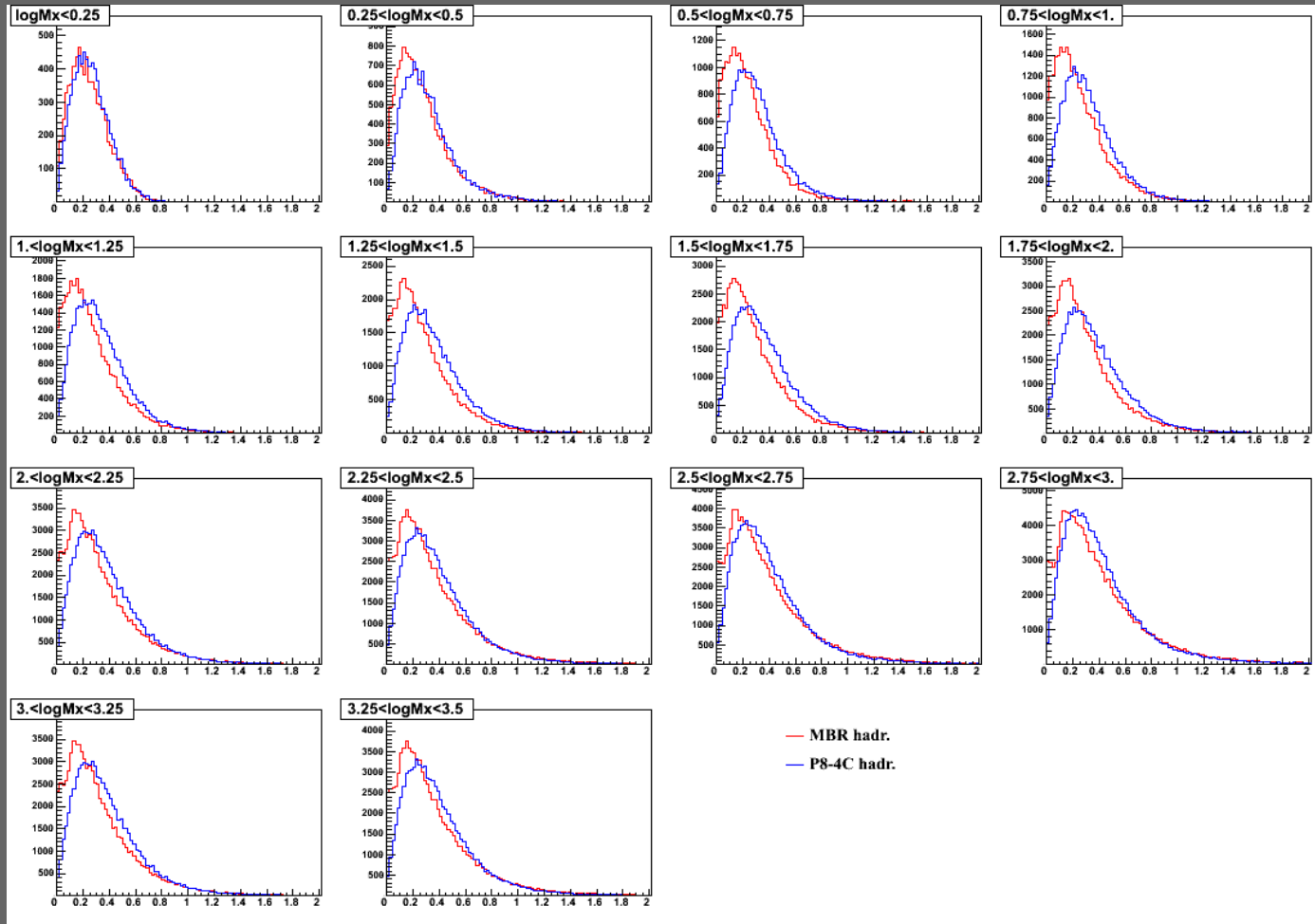


Similar average multiplicities in PYTHIA8-4C and MBR hadr. model.
Significant difference in width of distributions.

PYTHIA8 vs. MBR hadroniation



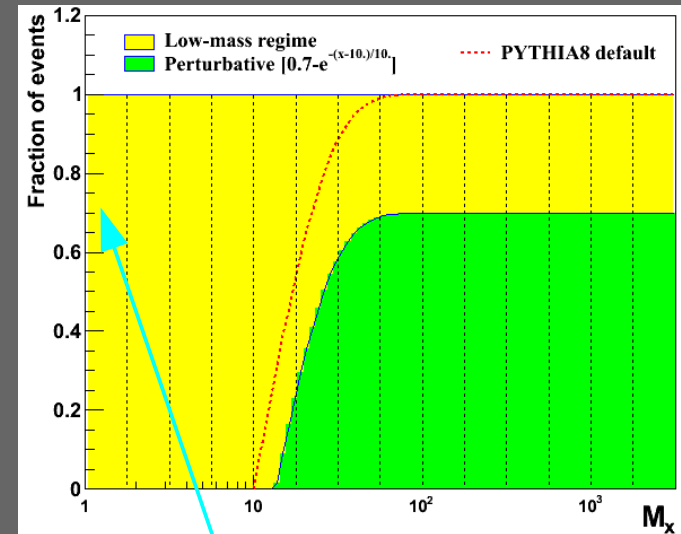
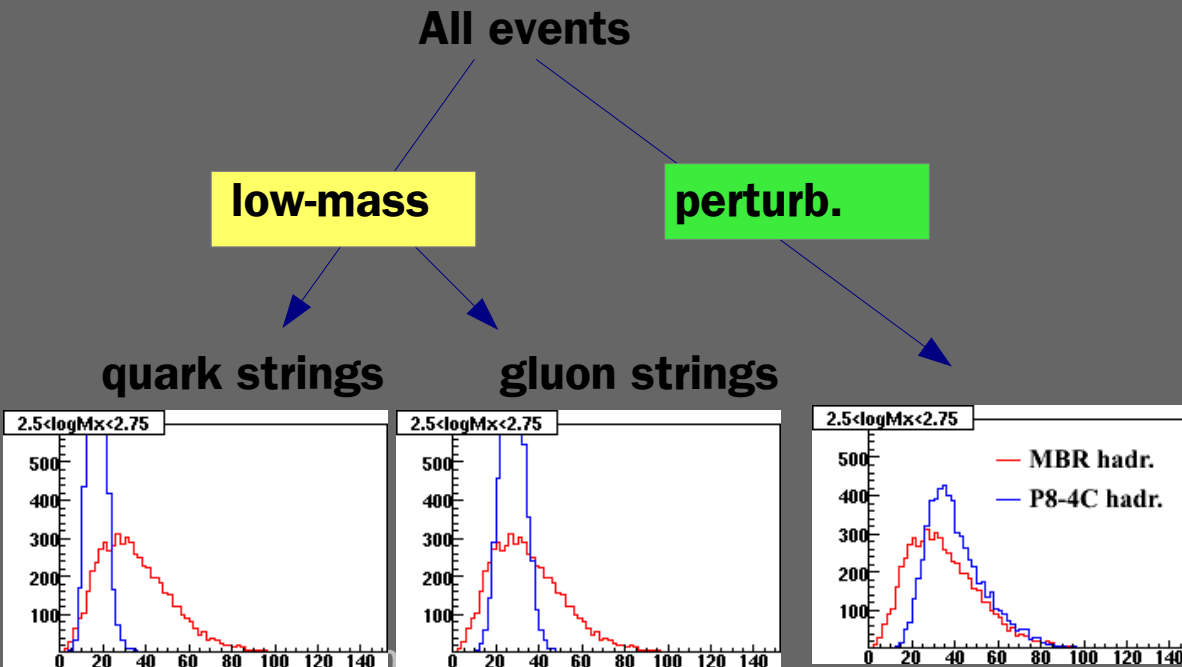
Transverse-momentum distributions in bins of M_x (SD process): 14 bins of $\log M_x$ (width=0.25)



Similar high- p_T tails in PYTHIA8-4C and MBR had. models. Low- p_T spectra shifted towards higher values in PYTHIA8 (global set of parameters – the same for non- and diffractive events, tuned to NSD MinBias data)

Hadronization tune

- Multiplicity spectra – an interplay between low-mass/perturbative hadronization regimes (slide 5)
 - Higher multiplicities (perturbative regime): check energy dependence of the sigmaPomP parameter (constant by default); introduce low-mass regime for fraction of events.
$$n_{ave} = \frac{\sigma_{QCD}}{\sigma_{IPp}}$$
 - Lower multiplicities (low-mass regime) : tune the ratio of a quark to gluon induced strings, driven by pickQuarkNorm/Power parameters. Quarks give lower multiplicities than gluons. (NB. these are q/g of a Lund-string model, not to be confused or interpreted as the q/g ratio in the proton)
- pT spectra – tune the parameters of the StringPT class.

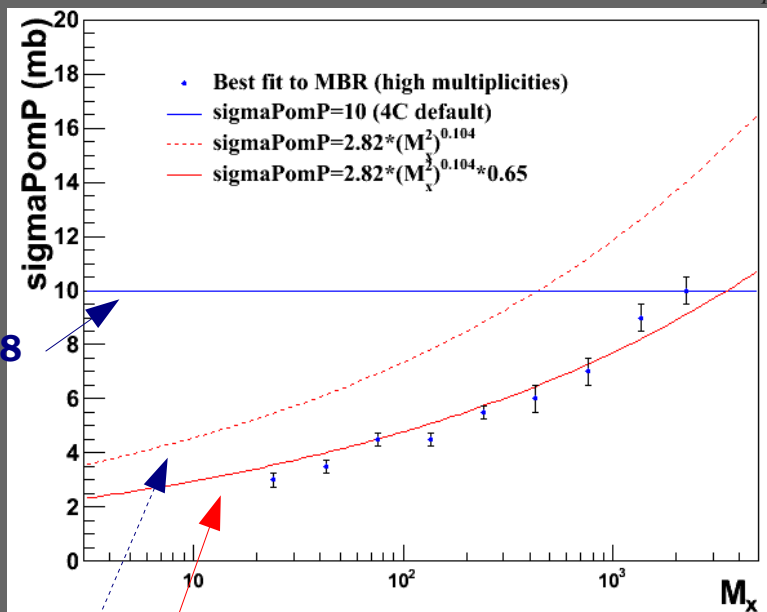


Fraction of low-mass events in the perturbative regime is given by $(1 - \text{ProbMaxPert})$, with **ProbMaxPert=0.7** (default=1)

Hadroniation tune



Diffraction: SigmaPomP parameter $n_{ave} = \frac{\sigma_{QCD}}{\sigma_{IPp}}$

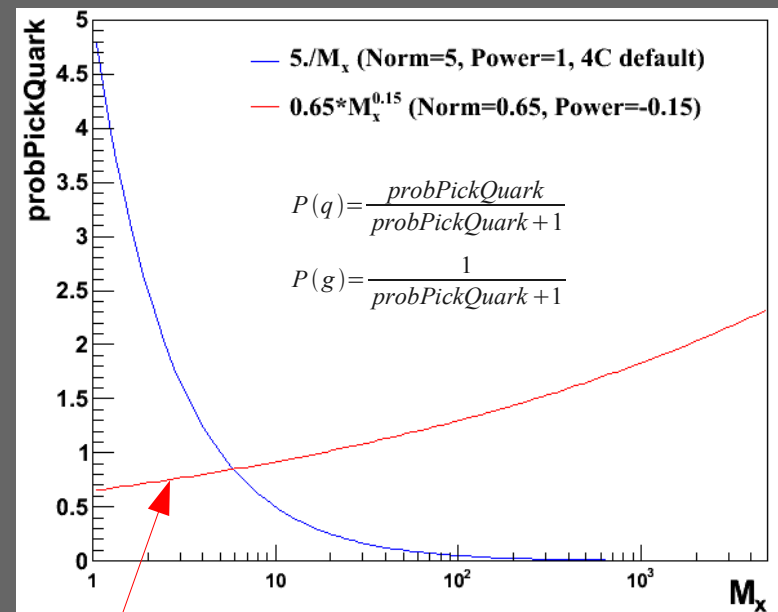


PYTHIA8 default

$\sigma^{IPp}(s)$ expected from Regge phenomenology for $s_0=1 \text{ GeV}^2$ and DL t-dependence.

Red line - parameterization giving the best Pythia8 fit to MBR multiplicity distributions (in bins of M_x , fits to higher tails only, default pT spectra)

Diffraction: pickQuarkNorm/Power parameter



From comparison to MBR multiplicities:

- Low- M_x bins need lower probPickQuark
- High- M_x bins need higher probPickQuark

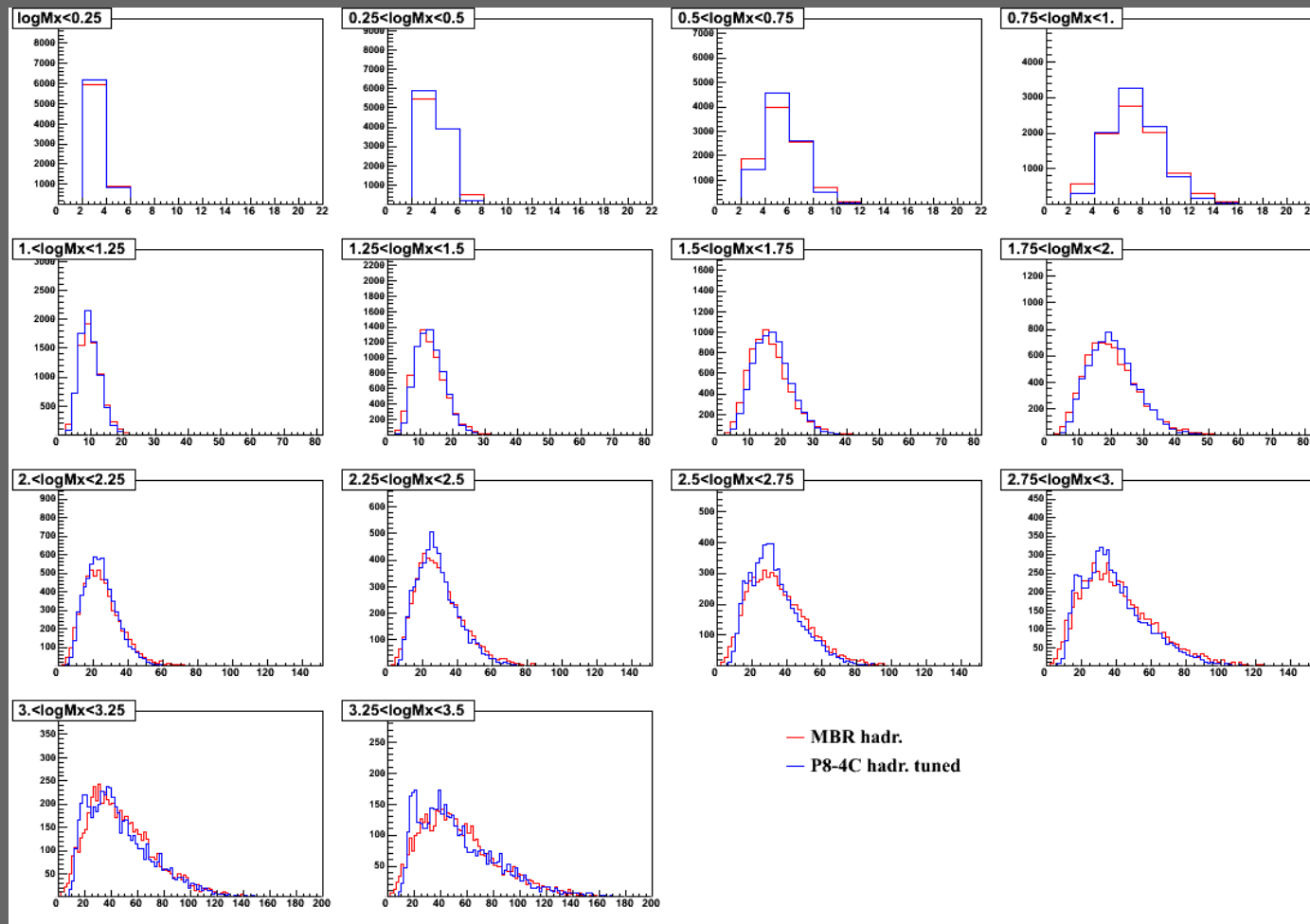
Red line - parameterization giving good description of low-multiplicity tails.

PYTHIA8 vs. MBR hadroniation - results of the tune



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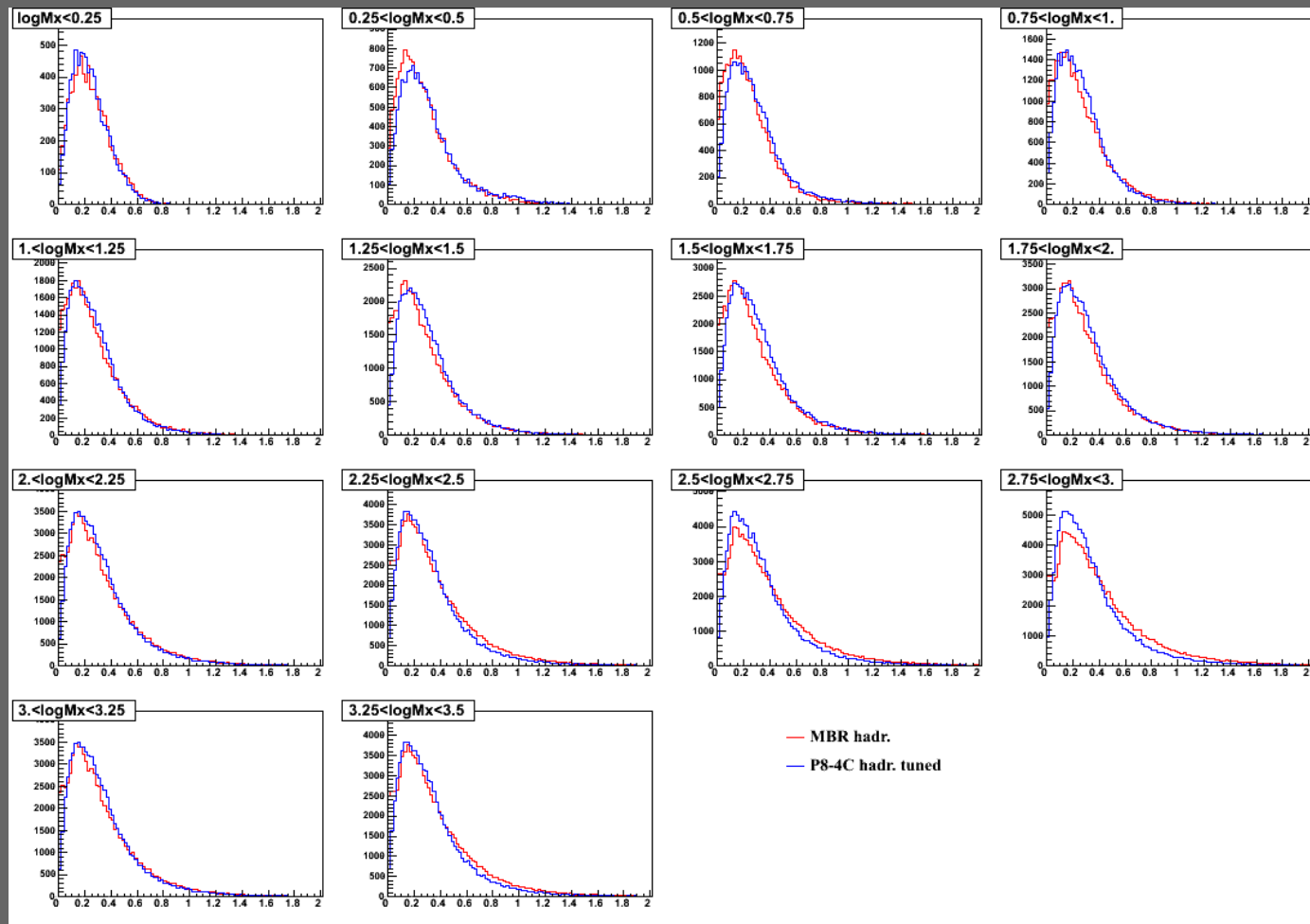


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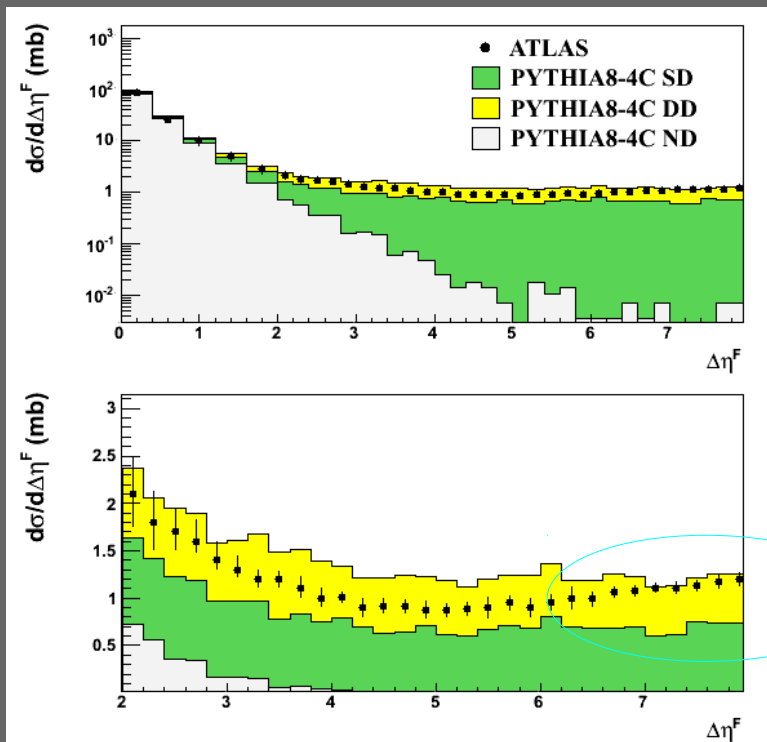


A set of: **StringPT:sigma=0.09**, **StringPT:enhancedWidth=5**, **StrangPT:enhancedFraction=0.2** gives good description of diffractive, but is not expected to describe non-diffractive events.

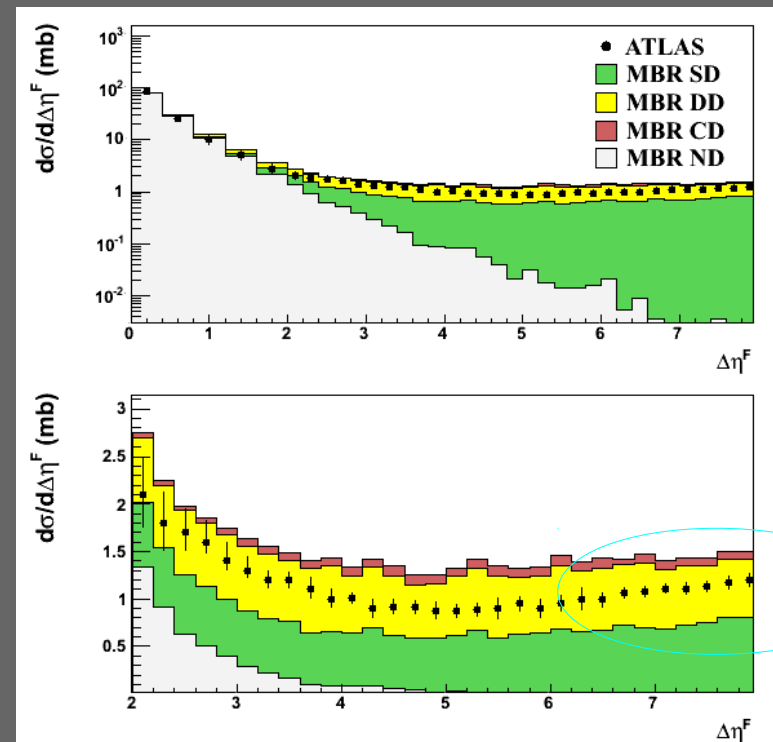
PYTHIA8-4C/MBR vs. ATLAS rapidity-gap data @7 TeV



PYTHIA8-4C



PYTHIA8-MBR (with “diffractive” tune)

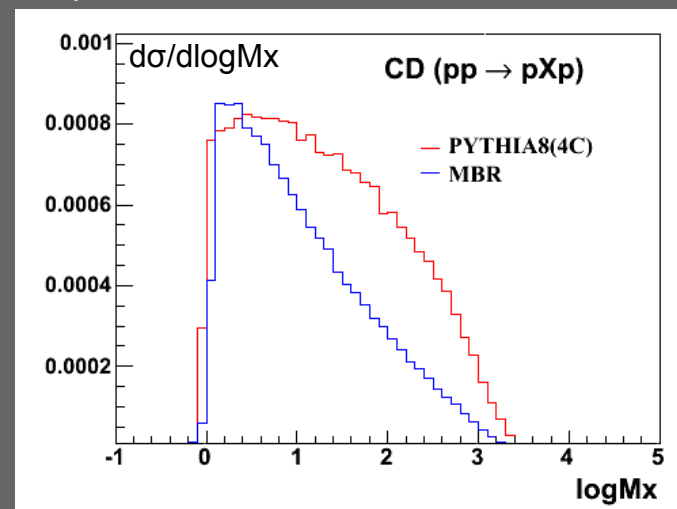


- Both predictions overestimate the data by a similar amount:
 - PYTHIA8-4C tuned to non-single-diffractive (central) MinBias data at LHC energies
 - MBR extrapolated from CDF energies (no additional tuning, CDF systematic errors ignored).
- Expect larger differences between PYTHIA8-4C and MBR at higher rapidity-gap values (lower M_x).

Central Dissociation

- Included for the first time in PYTHIA8.165 (within MBR, PomFlux=5).
- Extended to all the diffractive models in PYTHIA8.170.
- Cross section behaves roughly like $\sim \ln^{1.5}s$ (PomFlux=1-4), and amounts to $\sigma=1.192$ mb @7 TeV (compared to $\sigma=0.802$ mb from MBR).

Can be rescaled by changing **SigmaTotal:sigmaAXB2TeV** (default = 1.5 mb, the CD cross section @2 TeV).



- Simulated as a part of **SoftQCD:MinBias** sample, or explicitly with **SoftQCD:centralDiffractive = on**. However, for most of the tunes (e.g. the default 4C, performed before this update) the generation of CD process is automatically switched off with **SigmaTotal:zeroAXB = true** flag.
- So, in order to generate CD events one needs to switch the flag **SigmaTotal:zeroABX = false** after defining **Tune:pp**.

Summary



Recent developments on diffraction in PYTHIA8 have been reviewed:

- Recalled PYTHIA8 vs. PYTHIA6 differences.
- MBR (Minimum-Bias Rockefeller) simulation, developed and successfully tested at CDF, implemented since Pythia8.165
- Test of PYTHIA8 framework for hadronization of diffractive events using data-driven MBR hadronization model.
- Central-dissociation (double-Pomeron exchange) process included for all diffractive models since PYTHIA8.170.

Thank you for your attention!

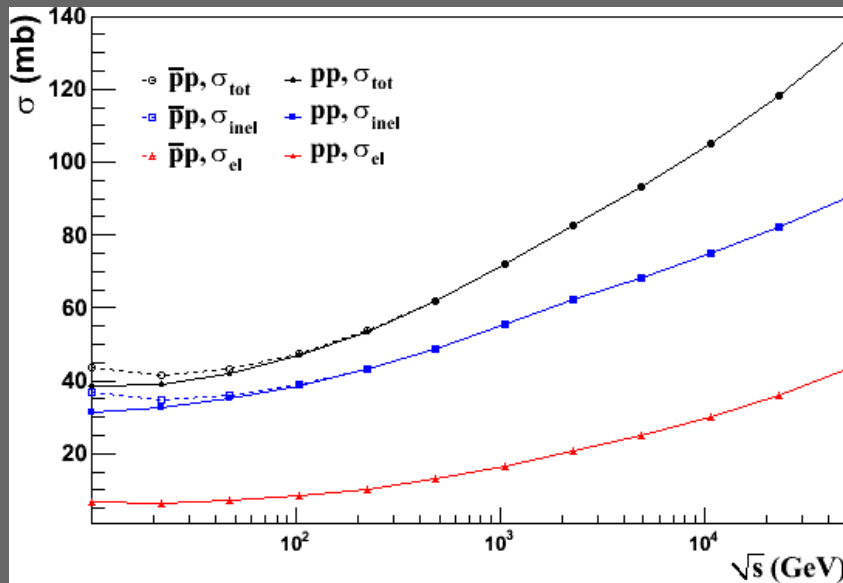
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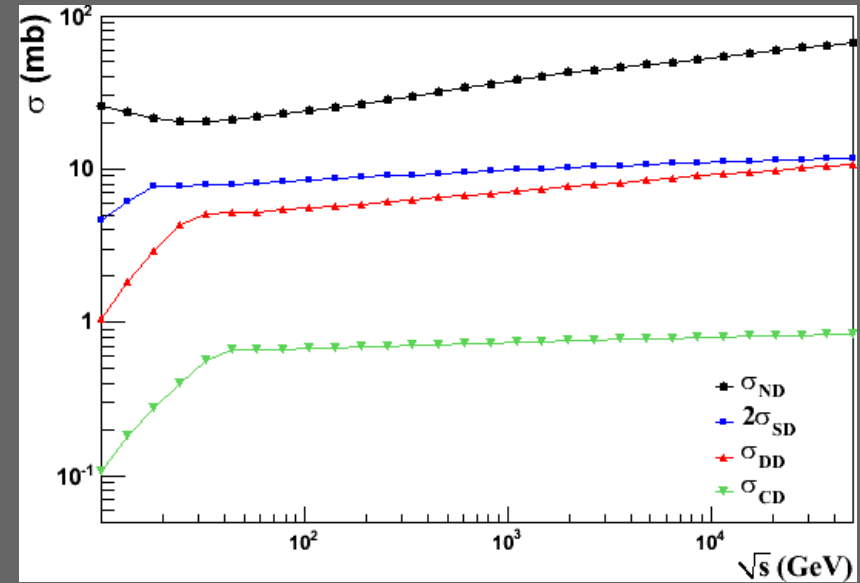
MBR - cross section predictions



Total, elastic, total-inel. xsecs



Components of total-inel. xsec: diffractive (SD,DD,CD) and non-diffractive (ND) xsecs



Cross section values [mb] vs. energy

\sqrt{s} (TeV)	0.3	0.9	1.96	2.76	7	8	14
σ_{tot}	56.50	69.87	81.03	85.25	98.29	100.35	109.49
σ_{el}	11.28	15.83	19.97	21.70	27.20	28.09	32.10
σ_{inel}	45.23	54.04	61.06	63.55	71.10	72.26	77.39
σ_{ND}	29.19	36.50	42.41	44.39	50.57	51.54	55.84
σ_{2SD}	9.10	9.76	10.22	10.41	10.91	10.98	11.26
σ_{DD}	6.21	7.03	7.67	7.97	8.82	8.94	9.47
σ_{CD}	0.718	0.746	0.766	0.776	0.800	0.804	0.818

3.1 Single-diffractive events

Events are generated by first choosing the rapidity-gap width, Δy , according to Eq. (3) integrated over t :

$$\frac{d\sigma_{SD}}{d\Delta y} \sim e^{\epsilon\Delta y} \cdot \left(\frac{a_1}{b_1 + 2\alpha'\Delta y} + \frac{a_2}{b_2 + 2\alpha'\Delta y} \right) \cdot S. \quad (9)$$

The range of the generation is defined by $\Delta y_{min} = 0$ and $\Delta y_{max} = -\ln M_0^2/s$, where $M_0^2 = \text{MBRm2Min}$. The term:

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \text{erf} \left(\frac{\Delta y - \text{MBRdyminSD}}{\text{MBRdyminSigSD}} \right) \right], \quad (10)$$

is added to suppress events at low values of Δy , as explained in Sec. 2.2.

A value of t is then chosen according to:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{SD}}{dt} \sim F^2(t) \cdot e^{2\alpha'\Delta yt}, \quad (11)$$

where $F^2(t)$ is given by Eq. (7) and the integration is performed up to $t_{max} = -m_p^2 \cdot \frac{\xi^2}{1-\xi}$, with $\xi = e^{-\Delta y}$. The diffractive mass is calculated as $M = \sqrt{s\xi}$. The four-momenta of the outgoing proton and the dissociated mass system are calculated using Mandelstam variables for a two-body scattering process, as implemented in PYTHIA8 for other Diffraction:PomFlux options.

3.2 Double-diffractive events

Events are generated by first choosing the rapidity-gap width according to Eq. (4) integrated over t . Eq. (4) is divergent as $\Delta y \rightarrow 0$. In order to remove the divergence, the integration over t is performed within the limits from $t_{min} = -e^{\Delta y}$ to $t_{max} = -e^{-\Delta y}$. Then, Δy is chosen from the distribution:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{DD}}{d\Delta y} \sim e^{\epsilon\Delta y} \cdot \frac{\ln \frac{ss_0}{M_0^4} - \Delta y}{2\alpha'\Delta y} \left(e^{-2\alpha'\Delta ye^{-\Delta y}} - e^{-2\alpha'\Delta ye^{\Delta y}} \right) \cdot S, \quad (12)$$

and the range of the generation is defined by $\Delta y_{min} = 0$ and $\Delta y_{max} = -\ln M_0^4/(ss_0)$, where $M_0^2 = \text{MBRm2Min}$ and $s_0 = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$. To further suppress events at low values of Δy the term:

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \text{erf} \left(\frac{\Delta y - \text{MBRdyminDD}}{\text{MBRdyminSigDD}} \right) \right], \quad (13)$$

is used as explained in Sec. 2.2.

The variable t is chosen according to:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{DD}}{dt} \sim e^{2\alpha'\Delta yt}, \quad (14)$$

in the range from $t_{min} = -e^{\Delta y}$ to $t_{max} = -e^{-\Delta y}$.

Then, the center of the rapidity gap, y_0 , is selected uniformly within the limits:

$$-\frac{1}{2} \left(\ln \frac{ss_0}{M_0^4} - \Delta y \right) < y_0 < \frac{1}{2} \left(\ln \frac{ss_0}{M_0^4} - \Delta y \right), \quad (15)$$

and the diffractive masses are calculated as:

$$M_1^2 = \sqrt{s \cdot e^{-\Delta y - y_0}}, \quad (16)$$

$$M_2^2 = \sqrt{s \cdot e^{-\Delta y + y_0}}. \quad (17)$$

The four-momenta of the outgoing dissociated mass systems are calculated using Mandelstam variables for a two-body scattering process, as implemented in PYTHIA8 for other options of Diffraction:PomFlux .

3.3 Central-diffractive (DPE) events

Events are generated by first choosing the total rapidity gap width, Δy , according to Eq. (5), integrated over t_1 and t_2 :

$$\frac{d\sigma_{CD}}{d\Delta y} \sim e^{\epsilon\Delta y} \int_{-\Delta y/2+y_0}^{\Delta y/2-y_0} dy_0 f_- \cdot f_+ \cdot S_1 S_2, \quad (18)$$

where:

$$f_{\pm} = \left(\frac{a_1}{b_1 + \alpha' \Delta y \pm 2\alpha' y_0} + \frac{a_2}{b_2 + \alpha' \Delta y \pm 2\alpha' y_0} \right), \quad (19)$$

and the integration is performed from $\Delta y_{min} = 0$ to $\Delta y_{max} = -\ln M_0^2/s$, where $M_0^2 = \text{MBRm2Min}$. For events at low values of Δy we suppress individual gaps with the factor:

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \text{erf} \left(\frac{\Delta y - \text{MBRdyminCD}/2}{\text{MBRdyminSigCD}/\sqrt{2}} \right) \right]. \quad (20)$$

Then, the direction of the centrally-produced hadronic system, y_c , is selected uniformly within the region:

$$-\frac{1}{2}(\Delta y - \Delta y_{min}) < y_c < \frac{1}{2}(\Delta y - \Delta y_{min}), \quad (21)$$

and rapidity gaps corresponding to each of the two Pomerons are calculated as:

$$\Delta y_1 = \Delta y/2 + y_0, \quad (22)$$

$$\Delta y_2 = \Delta y/2 - y_0. \quad (23)$$

The four-momentum transfers squared at each proton vertex, t_1 and t_2 , are generated according to:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{CD,i}}{dt} \sim F^2(t_i) \cdot e^{2\alpha' \Delta y_i t_i}, \quad (24)$$

up to $t_{max,i} = -m_p^2 \cdot \frac{\xi_i^2}{1-\xi_i}$, where $\xi_i = e^{-\Delta y_i}$ and $i = 1, 2$. Then, the p_T and p_z of outgoing protons are calculated as $p_{T,i}^2 = (1-\xi_i)|t_i| - m_p^2 \xi_i^2$ and $|p_{z,i}| = p(1-\xi_i)$, where $p = \sqrt{s/4 - m_p^2}$ is the incoming proton momentum.

Finally, the four-momentum of the hadronic system is calculated from the sum of the four-momenta of the Pomerons, each calculated as a difference between the incoming and outgoing proton four-vectors.

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When option 5 is selected, the following parameters of the MBR model [Cie12] are used:

parm **Diffraction:MBRepsilon** (default = **0.104**; minimum = 0.02; maximum = 0.15)

parm **Diffraction:MBRalpha** (default = **0.25**; minimum = 0.1; maximum = 0.4)
the parameters of the Pomeron trajectory.

parm **Diffraction:MBRbeta0** (default = **6.566**; minimum = 0.0; maximum = 10.0)

parm **Diffraction:MBRsigma0** (default = **2.82**; minimum = 0.0; maximum = 5.0)
the Pomeron-proton coupling, and the total Pomeron-proton cross section.

parm **Diffraction:MBRm2Min** (default = **1.5**; minimum = 0.0; maximum = 3.0)
the lowest value of the mass squared of the dissociated system.

parm **Diffraction:MBRdyminSDflux** (default = **2.3**; minimum = 0.0; maximum = 5.0)

parm **Diffraction:MBRdyminDDflux** (default = **2.3**; minimum = 0.0; maximum = 5.0)

parm **Diffraction:MBRdyminCDflux** (default = **2.3**; minimum = 0.0; maximum = 5.0)
the minimum width of the rapidity gap used in the calculation of $N_{gap}(s)$ (flux renormalization).

parm **Diffraction:MBRdyminSD** (default = **2.0**; minimum = 0.0; maximum = 5.0)

parm **Diffraction:MBRdyminDD** (default = **2.0**; minimum = 0.0; maximum = 5.0)

parm **Diffraction:MBRdyminCD** (default = **2.0**; minimum = 0.0; maximum = 5.0)
the minimum width of the rapidity gap used in the calculation of cross sections, i.e. the parameter dy_S , which suppresses the cross section at low dy (non-diffractive region).

parm **Diffraction:MBRdyminSigSD** (default = **0.5**; minimum = 0.001; maximum = 5.0)

parm **Diffraction:MBRdyminSigDD** (default = **0.5**; minimum = 0.001; maximum = 5.0)

parm **Diffraction:MBRdyminSigCD** (default = **0.5**; minimum = 0.001; maximum = 5.0)
the parameter σ_{S} , used for the cross section suppression at low dy (non-diffractive region).