

# Exclusive Jet Production at the LHC

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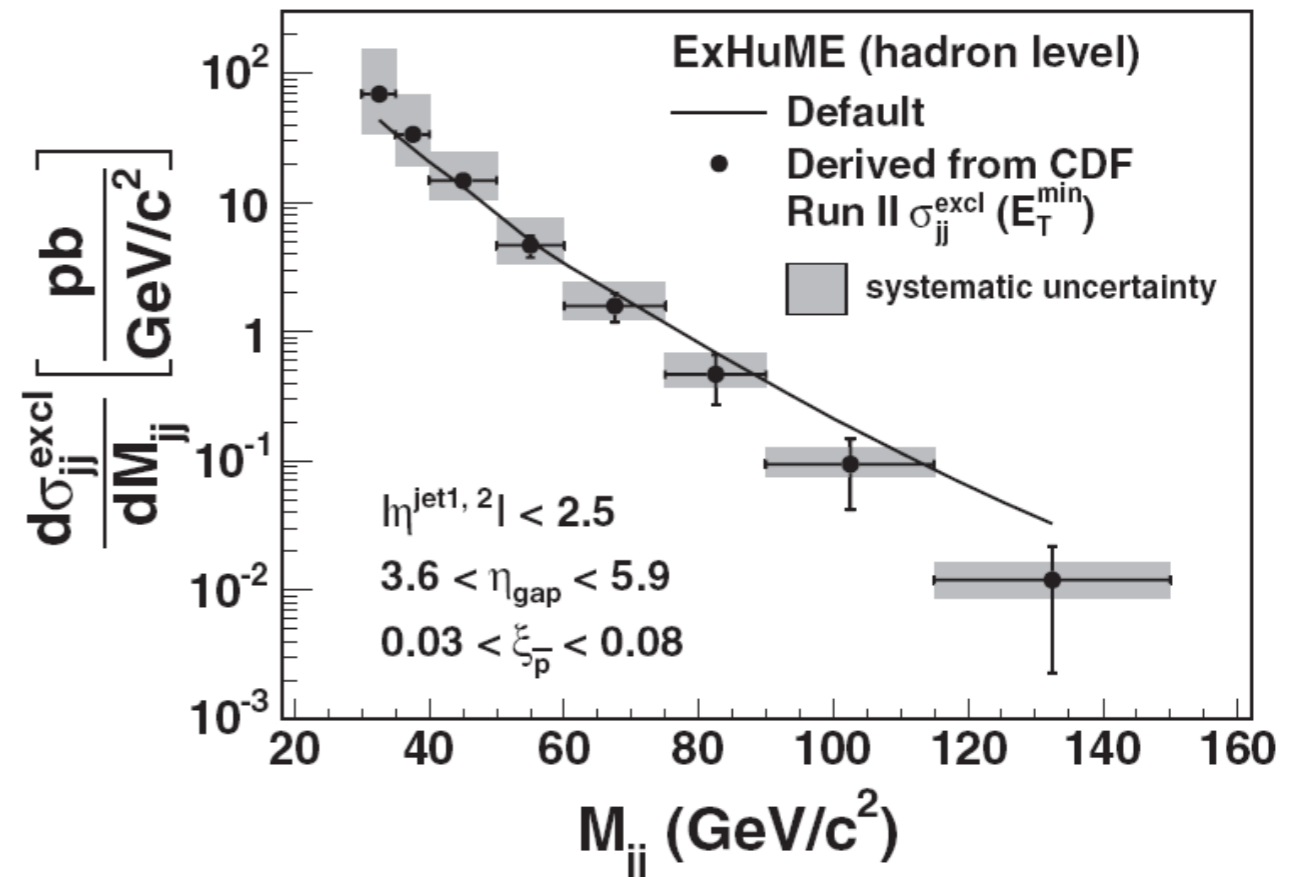
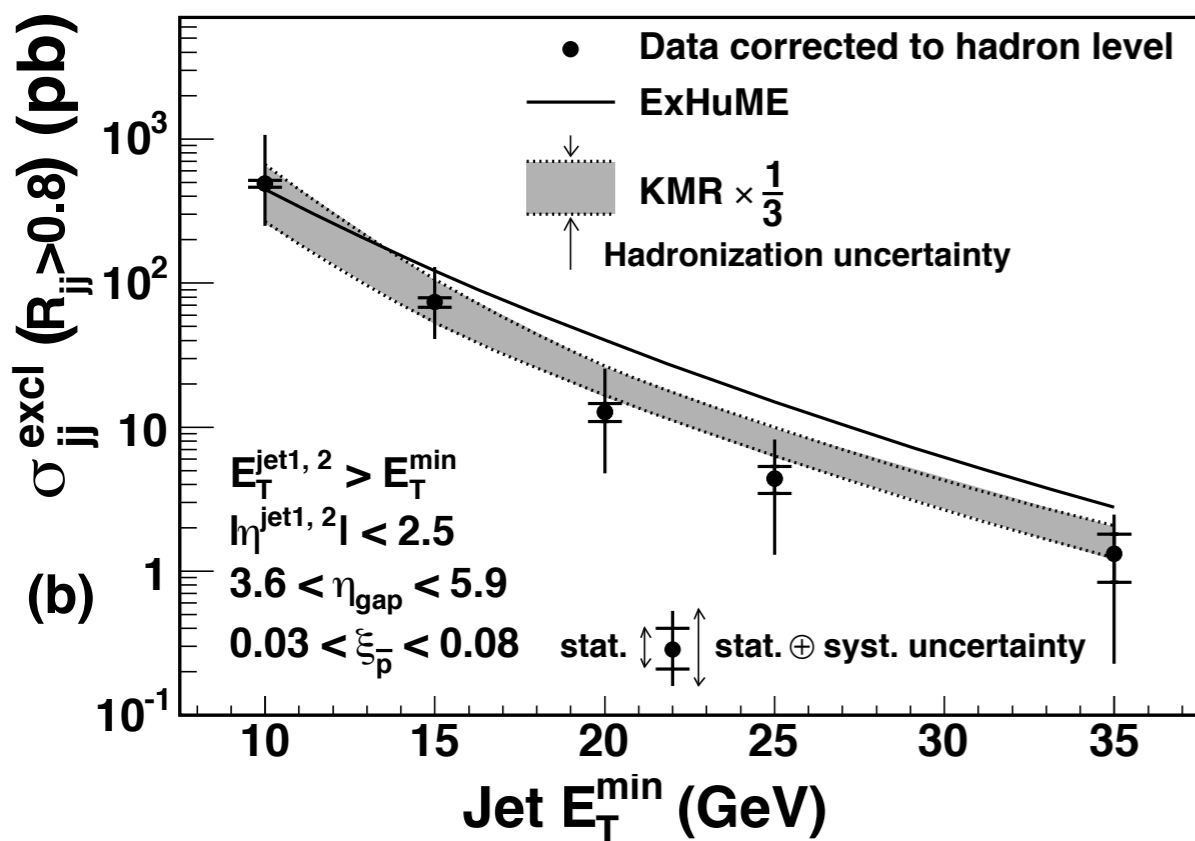
# Exclusive Jet production at the Tevatron

- Exclusive dijet production measured by CDF in 2008, by D0 in 2011.

CDF Collab., Phys.Rev.D77:052004,2008

D0 collab. Phys.Lett. B705 (2011) 193

- Data compared quite well with Exhume MC implementation of the Durham model, giving support to this (perturbative) approach.
- However the MC (and theory) used is not up to date or complete (in particular with tagged protons).
- In this talk I will discuss some new theory work on this process, and a new MC for this (and other CEP), currently under development.

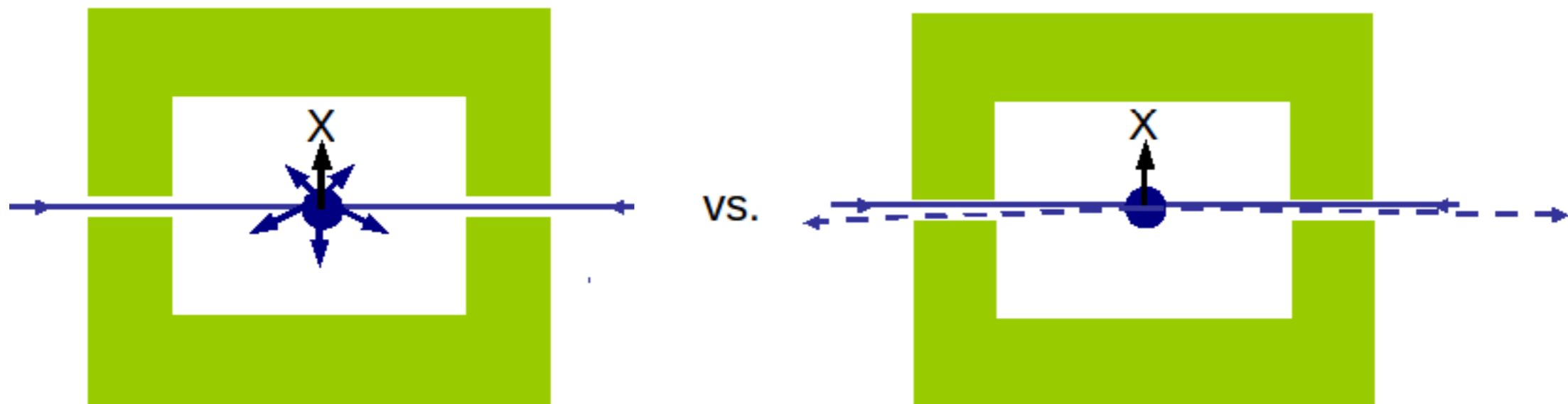


# Central Exclusive Diffraction

Central exclusive diffraction, or central exclusive production (CEP) is the process

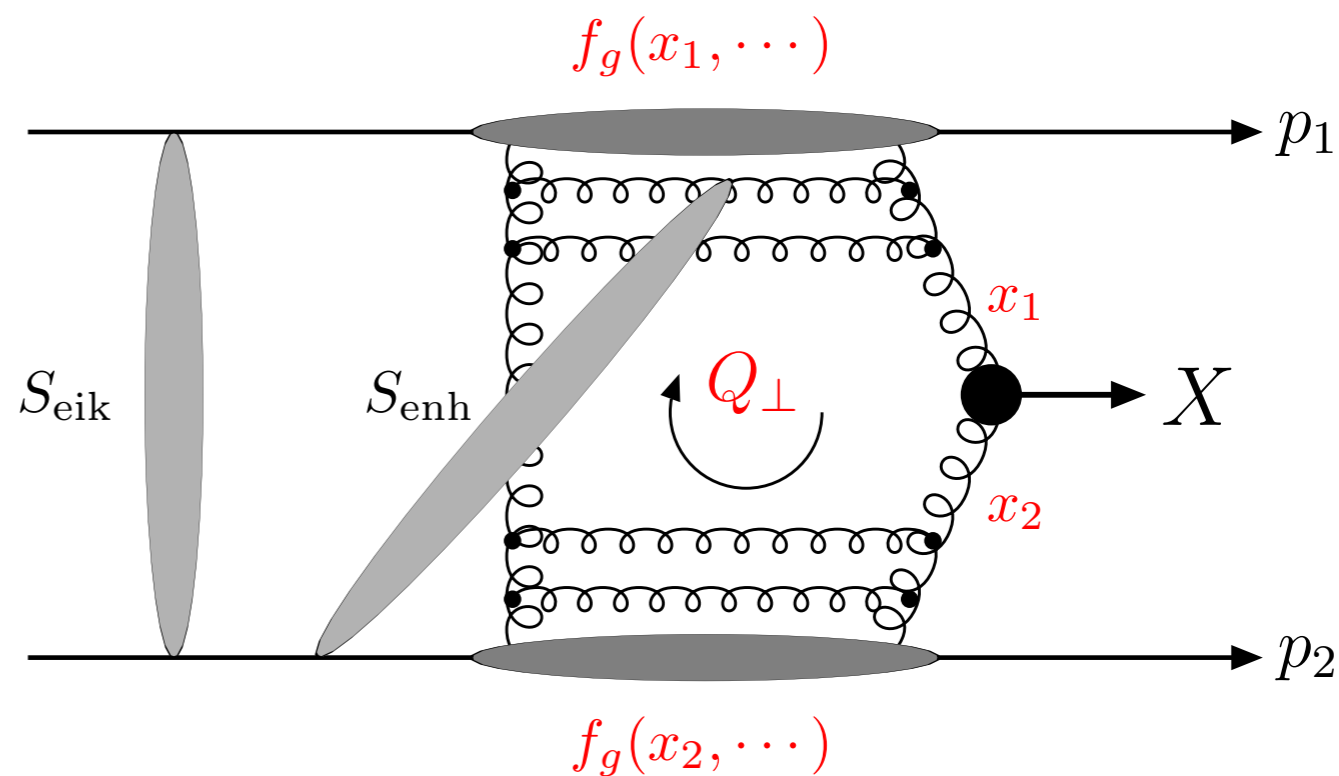
$$h(p_1)h(p_2) \rightarrow h(p'_1) + X + h(p'_2)$$

- **Diffraction**: colour singlet exchange between colliding hadrons, with large rapidity gaps ('+') in the final state.
- **Exclusive**: hadrons lose energy, but remain intact after collision and can in principal be measured by detectors positioned down the beam line.
- **Central**: a system of mass  $M_X$  is produced at the collision point, and *only* its decay products are present in the central detector region.



# ‘Durham Model’ of Central Exclusive Production

- The generic process  $pp \rightarrow p + X + p$  is modeled perturbatively by the exchange of two t-channel gluons.
- The use of pQCD is justified by the presence of a hard scale  $\sim M_X/2$ . This ensures an infrared stable result via the Sudakov factor: the probability of no additional perturbative emission from the hard process.
- The possibility of additional soft rescatterings filling the rapidity gaps is encoded in the ‘eikonal’ and ‘enhanced’ survival factors,  $S_{\text{eik}}^2$  and  $S_{\text{enh}}^2$ .
- In the limit that the outgoing protons scatter at zero angle, the centrally produced state  $X$  must have  $J_z^P = 0^+$  quantum numbers.



$$J_z = gg \text{ axis} \approx \text{beam axis}$$

- Protons can have some small  $p_\perp$  (scatter at non-zero angle), but if this is too big, they break up  $\rightarrow$  strong suppression in non  $J_z^P = 0^+$  configuration.

# Exclusive jet production

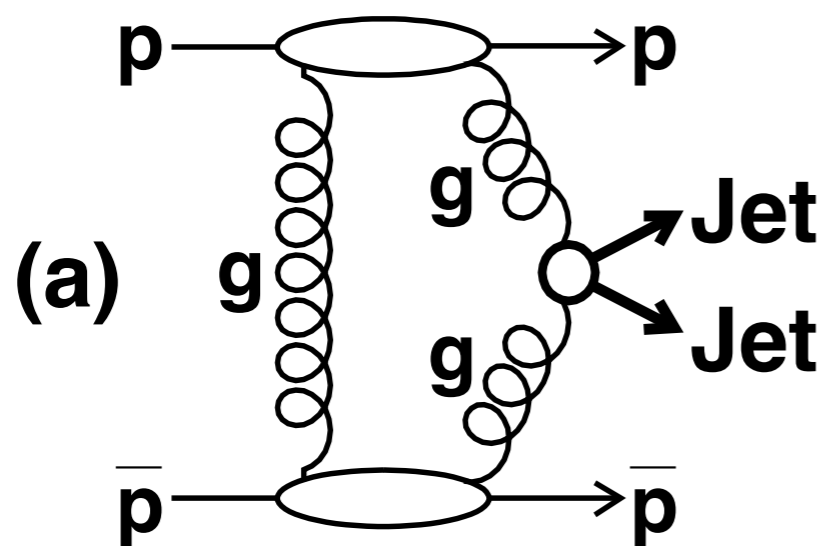
- Can consider case that central object is a number of jets, e.g. dijet CEP

$$pp \rightarrow p + jj + p$$

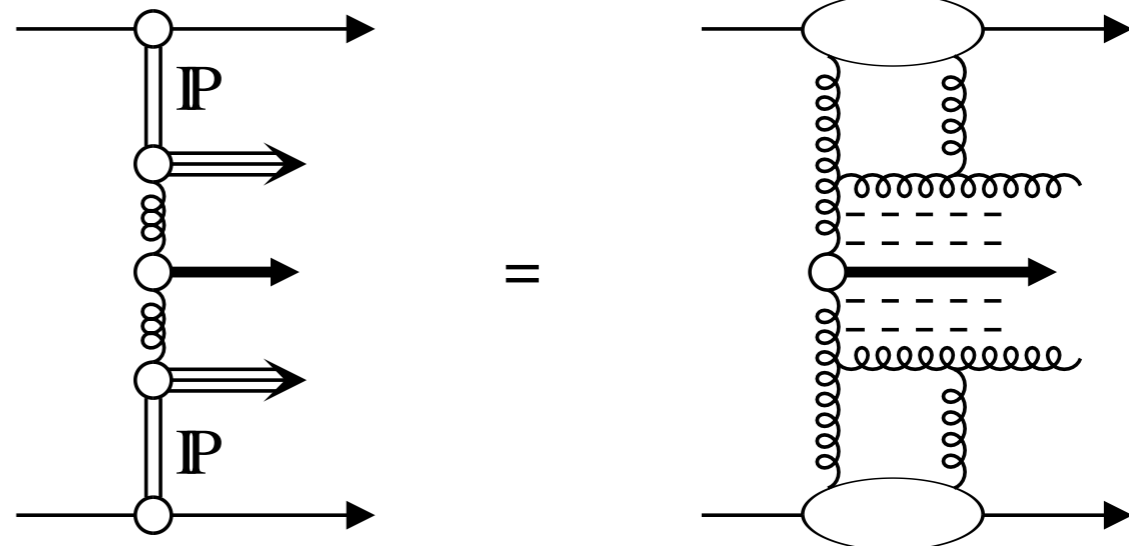
- More complicated than case where a simple object ( $\chi_c, \gamma\gamma\dots$ ) is produced, as a jet consists of many particles, with no unique assignment of all final state particles to a given jet.

→ **Experimentally**: not as simple as demanding some number of jets and no additional particles.

**Theoretically**: two different processes will in general contribute to signal.



'Exclusive'



'Inelastic DPE'

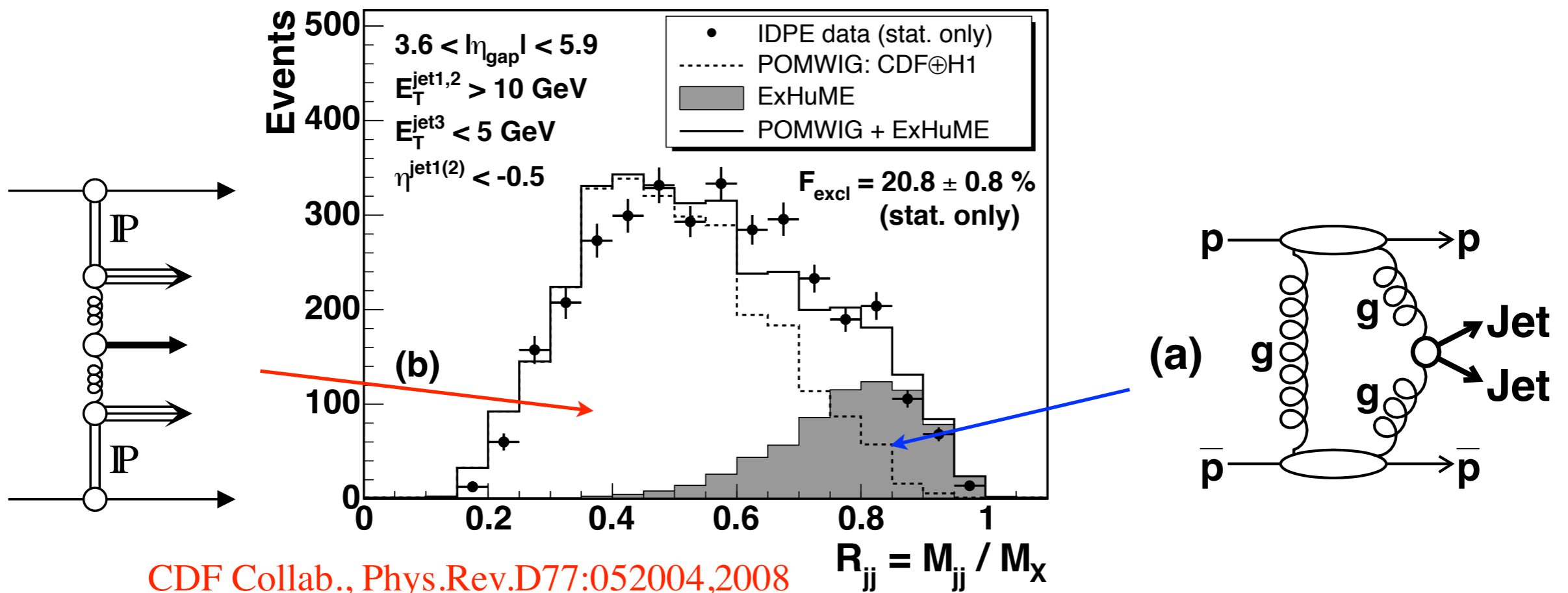
- However can consider e.g.

$$R_{jj} \equiv M_{jj} / M_X$$

- For a idealized exclusive signal  $R_{jj} = 1$ . However smearing effects and radiation outside of the jets will broaden this, and signal will be a peak towards  $R_{jj} \sim 1$

See also  $R_j$  variable - V.A. Khoze, A.D. Martin, M.G. Ryskin, Eur.Phys.J. C48 (2006) 467-475, hep-ph/0605113

- For inelastic DPE, will get a distribution over all  $R_{jj}$

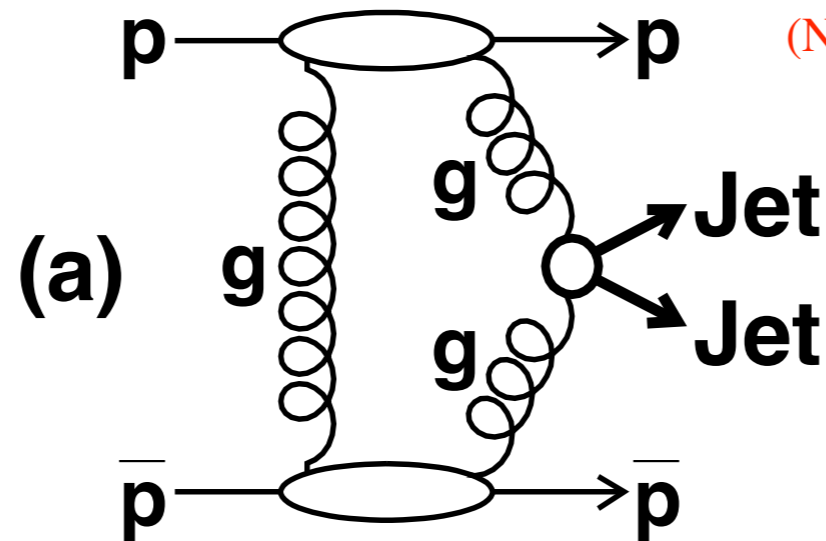


# Exclusive jet production: theory

- We are interested in the exclusive signal, in which case we have

For inelastic DPE: e.g. POMWIG, B.E. Cox and J.R. Forshaw, *Comput.Phys.Commun.* 144 (2002) 104-110

(Note does not include survival factor)



- The parton-level dijet amplitude is given by the usual Durham expression:

$$T = \pi^2 \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{Q}_\perp \mathcal{M}(gg \rightarrow X)}{\mathbf{Q}_\perp^2 (\mathbf{Q}_\perp - \mathbf{p}_{1\perp})^2 (\mathbf{Q}_\perp + \mathbf{p}_{2\perp})^2} f_g(x_1, x'_1, Q_1^2, \mu^2; t_1) f_g(x_2, x'_2, Q_2^2, \mu^2; t_2)$$

Where  $X = gg, q\bar{q}$

# Production subprocess

- We need the amplitudes for

$$gg \rightarrow gg \quad \text{and} \quad gg \rightarrow q\bar{q}$$

For colour singlet gluons.  $J_z = 0$  selection rule  $\Rightarrow$  dominant contribution will come from amplitude for incoming gluons with  $(++, --)$  helicities. These are given by

$$\mathcal{M}(g(\pm)g(\pm) \rightarrow g(\pm)g(\pm)) = \delta^{CD} \frac{N_c}{N_c^2 - 1} \frac{32\pi\alpha_s}{(1 - \cos^2 \theta)}$$

Other final state helicities give vanishing amplitudes

$$\mathcal{M}(g(\pm)g(\pm) \rightarrow q_h\bar{q}_{\bar{h}}) = \frac{\delta^{cd}}{2N_c} \frac{16\pi\alpha_s}{(1 - \beta^2 \cos^2 \theta)} \frac{m_q}{M_X} (\beta h \pm 1) \delta_{h,\bar{h}}$$

For massless quarks this vanishes!

Helicity non-conservation along quark line

$\longrightarrow$  Quark jets dynamically suppressed by selection rule



# Production subprocess

- If we consider the exclusive cross section ratio, we find

$$\frac{d\sigma(q\bar{q})/dt}{d\sigma(gg)/dt} \approx \frac{N_c^2 - 1}{4N_c^3} \frac{m_q^2}{M_X^2} = \frac{2}{27} \frac{m_q^2}{M_X^2}$$

↑  
Additional suppression from colour and spin 1/2 quarks

- Taking e.g.  $m_b = 4.5$  GeV and  $M_X = 40$  GeV we then get

$$\frac{d\sigma(b\bar{b})/dt}{d\sigma(gg)/dt} \approx 10^{-3}$$

→ Huge suppression in b quark jets (increasing with  $M_X$ ). Completely unlike inclusive case. See also:  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

What about light quark jets?

# Light quark jets

- For light quark jets ( $m_q \rightarrow 0$ ) the leading order  $J_z = 0$  production amplitude (dominant for CEP) will vanish.  $\Rightarrow$  Must consider sub-leading  $|J_z| = 2$  contribution. Find that:

$$\mathcal{M}(g(\pm)g(\mp) \rightarrow q_h \bar{q}_{\bar{h}}) = \frac{\delta^{cd}}{2N_c} 8\pi\alpha_s \left( \frac{1 \pm h \cos \theta}{1 \mp h \cos \theta} \right)^{1/2} \delta_{h, -\bar{h}}$$

- In general such a  $|J_z| = 2$  contribution is suppressed in CEP by

$$\frac{\sigma(|J_z| = 2)}{\sigma(J_z = 0)} \sim \frac{\langle p_{\perp}^2 \rangle^2}{\langle Q_{\perp}^2 \rangle^2} \sim 10^{-2}$$

Average outgoing proton transverse momentum (sub-GeV<sup>2</sup>)

Average gluon transverse momentum in loop  $\sim$  several GeV<sup>2</sup>

- Combining these we have

$$\frac{d\sigma^{J_z = \pm 2}(q\bar{q})/dt}{d\sigma(gg)/dt} \approx \frac{N_c^2 - 1}{16N_c^3} \frac{\langle p_{\perp}^2 \rangle^2}{\langle Q_{\perp}^2 \rangle^2} \sim 10^{-4}$$

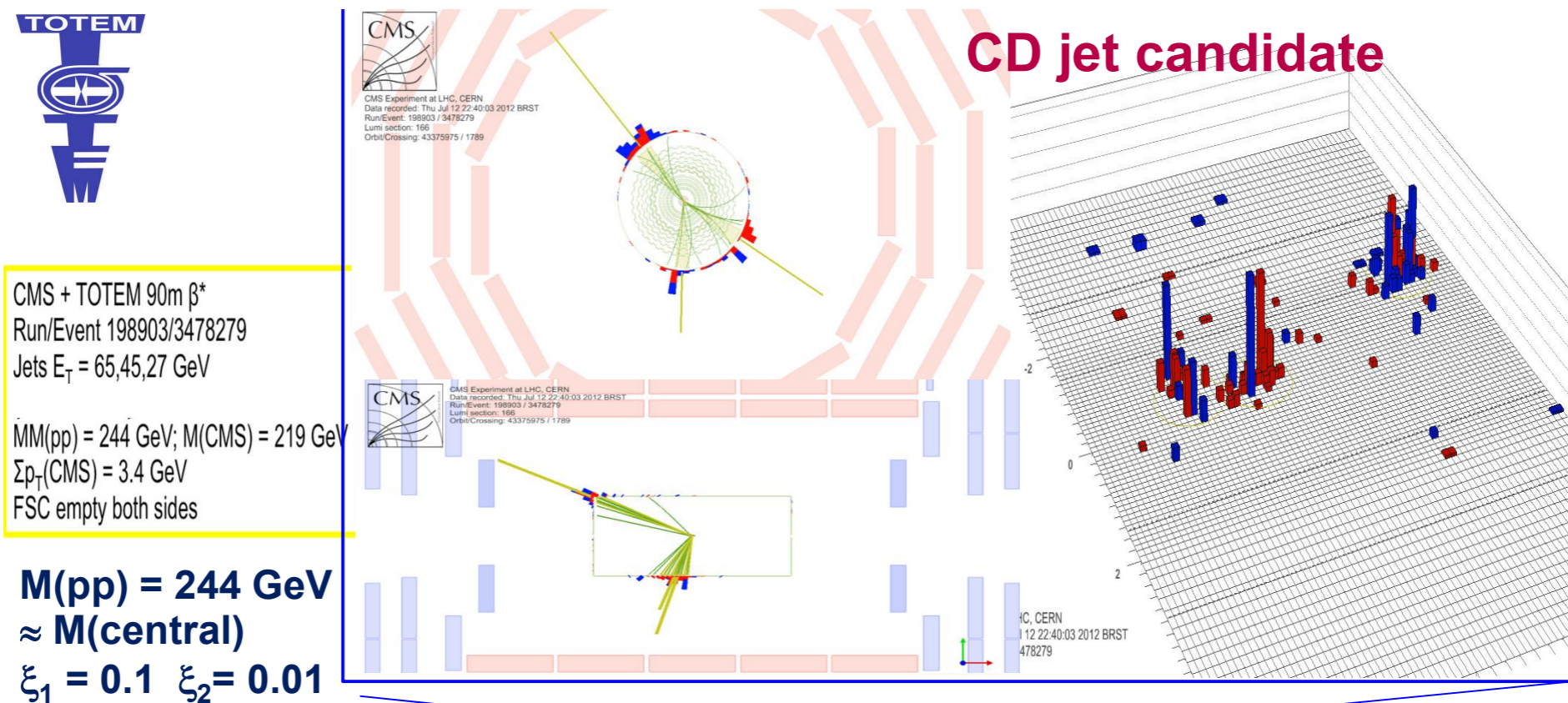
For one flavour  
 $\Rightarrow$  multiply by  $n_f = 4$

$\longrightarrow$  Huge suppression in light quark jets

# Gluon jet dominance

From the above considerations, we expect dijet events to be almost entirely (colour singlet)  $gg$  Verified in CDF data sample of  $b\bar{b}$  jets

→ CEP of dijets offers the possibility of observing the isolated production of gluon jets at the LHC.



CMS + TOTEM event displays (Kenneth's talk)

Mike Albrow's EDS 2013 summary talk, [arXiv:1310.7047](https://arxiv.org/abs/1310.7047) :

These dijet and trijet events are the cleanest ever seen at a hadron collider, and remind one of LEP events. But these dijets are nearly all  $gg$ , while at LEP there were all  $q\bar{q}$ .

→ Clean probe of properties of gluons jets (multiplicity, particle correlations...)

# Trijet production

- Consider three-jet production, proceeds via  $gg \rightarrow ggg$  and  $gg \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$
- $q\bar{q}g$  : configuration with  $g$  becoming soft/collinear to  $q/\bar{q}$  driven by two-jet  $q\bar{q}$  amplitude, which vanishes for  $J_z = 0$  gluons and  $m_q = 0$ .
- More precisely, according to ‘Low-Burnett-Kroll’ theorem, the radiative amplitude  $M_{q\bar{q}g}$  can be expanded in powers of  $x_g = \frac{2E_g}{\sqrt{\hat{s}}}$  as

$$M_{q\bar{q}g} = \frac{1}{x_g} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n x_g^n$$

Vanishes

where  $C_0$  and  $C_1$  are given in terms of the Born-level amplitude  $M_{q\bar{q}}$

$\Rightarrow$  First non-vanishing term is  $n = 2$  giving

$$\frac{d\sigma^{q\bar{q}g}}{dE_g} \sim E_g^3$$

while

$$\frac{d\sigma^{ggg}}{dE_g} \sim \frac{1}{E_g}$$

For  $J_z = 0$  incoming gluons

Usual (singular) IR behaviour

The  $gg \rightarrow q\bar{q}g, ggg$  amplitudes for a given helicity config. are known, and have (relatively) simple forms (can be written down in  $\sim 3 - 4$  lines) **MHV**

Consider amplitudes for  $J_z = 0$  colour-singlet gluons (and massless quarks for simplicity)...

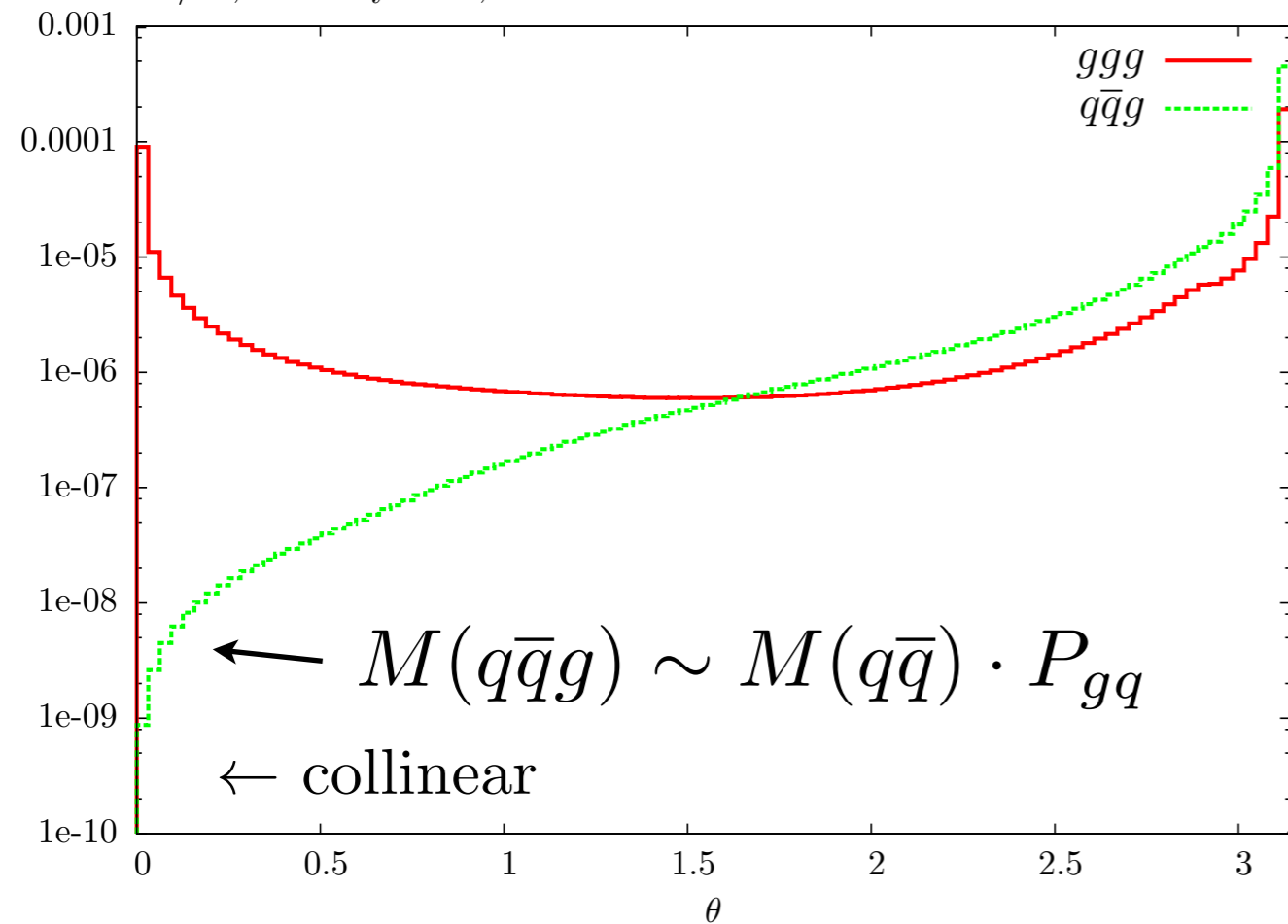
$$|y_i| < 5 \quad \sqrt{\hat{s}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$$

$q\bar{q}g, ggg$  normalised to each other

$\theta$ :  $g$ - $b$  quark angle

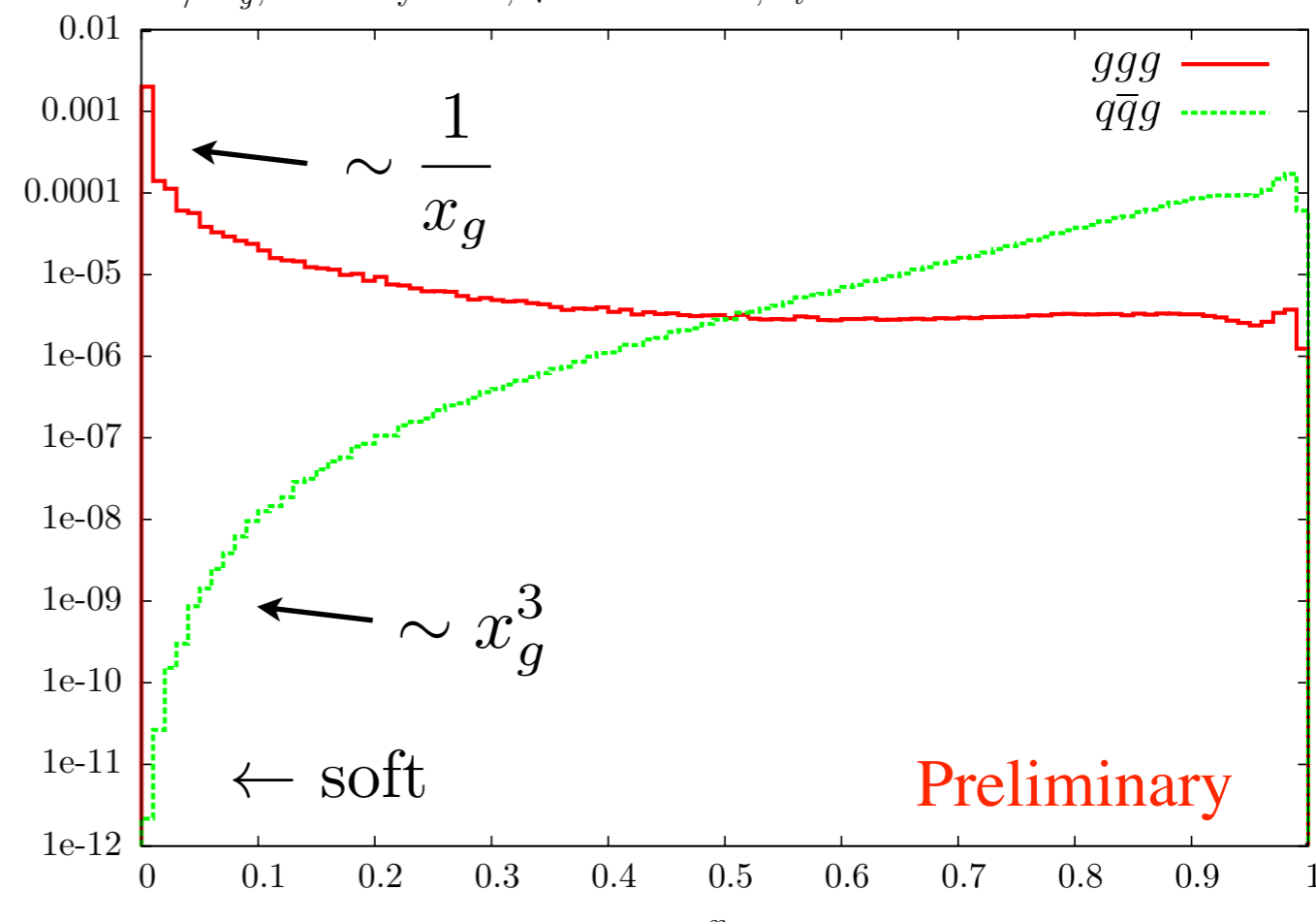
$d\sigma/d\theta$  (for  $ggg$  between arbitrary gluons)

$d\sigma/d\theta$ , arbitrary units,  $\sqrt{\hat{s}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$



$d\sigma/dx_g$

$d\sigma/dx_g$ , arbitrary units,  $\sqrt{\hat{s}} = 200 \text{ GeV}, k_t R = 0.6$



→ Expect relative enhancement of ‘Mercedes-like’ configuration for  $q\bar{q}g$  events.

Can perform detailed comparison of  $q\bar{q}g$  vs.  $ggg$  topologies. Consider, e.g. standard event shape variables, thrust and C-parameter  $i, j = 1, 2, 3$

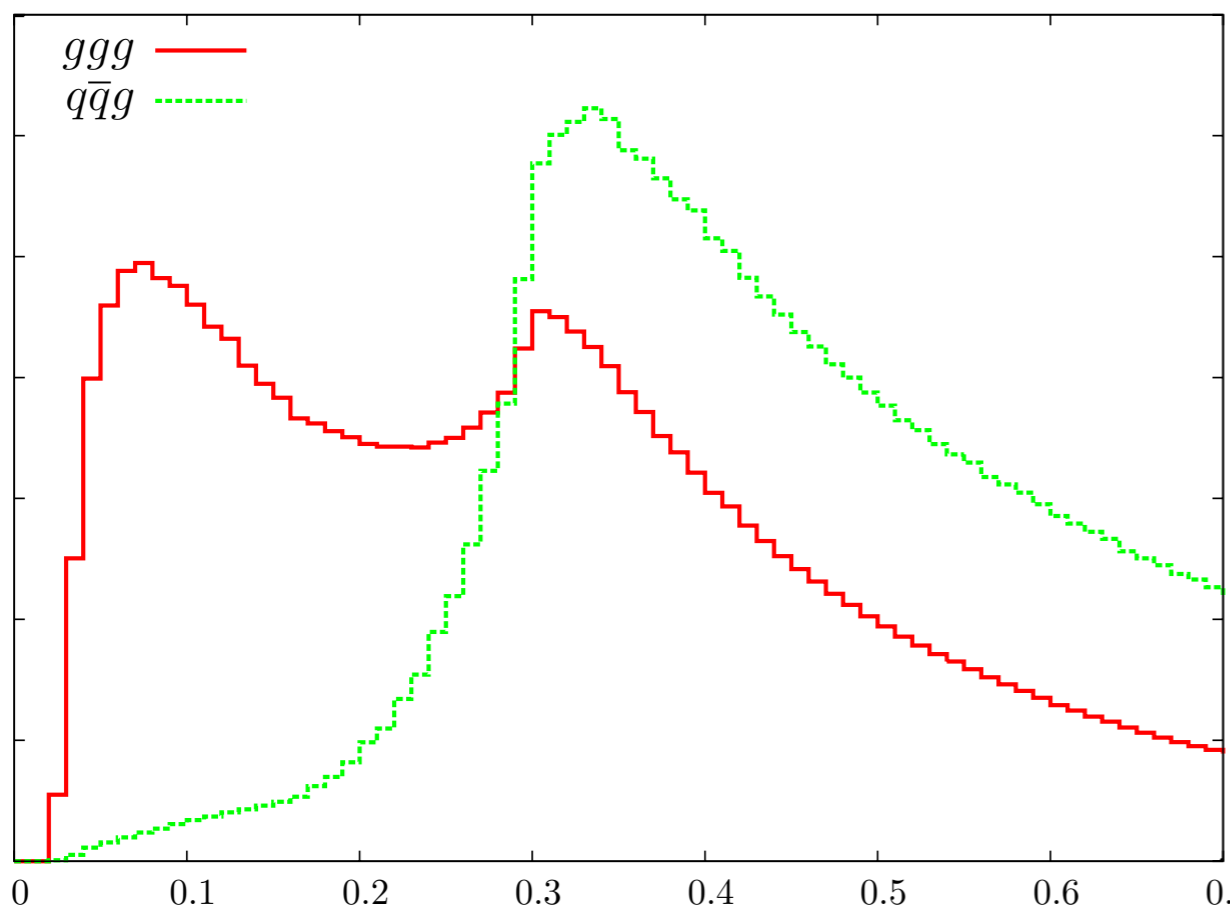
$$T = \max_{\mathbf{n}} \frac{\sum_i |\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{n}|}{\sum_i |\mathbf{p}_i|} \quad C = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\sum_{i,j} [|\mathbf{p}_i||\mathbf{p}_j| - (\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{p}_j)^2 / (|\mathbf{p}_i||\mathbf{p}_j|)]}{(\sum_i |\mathbf{p}_i|)^2}$$

See Stirling, Ellis, Webber, *QCD and collider physics*

Plots at subprocess level only ⇒ full CEP study underway

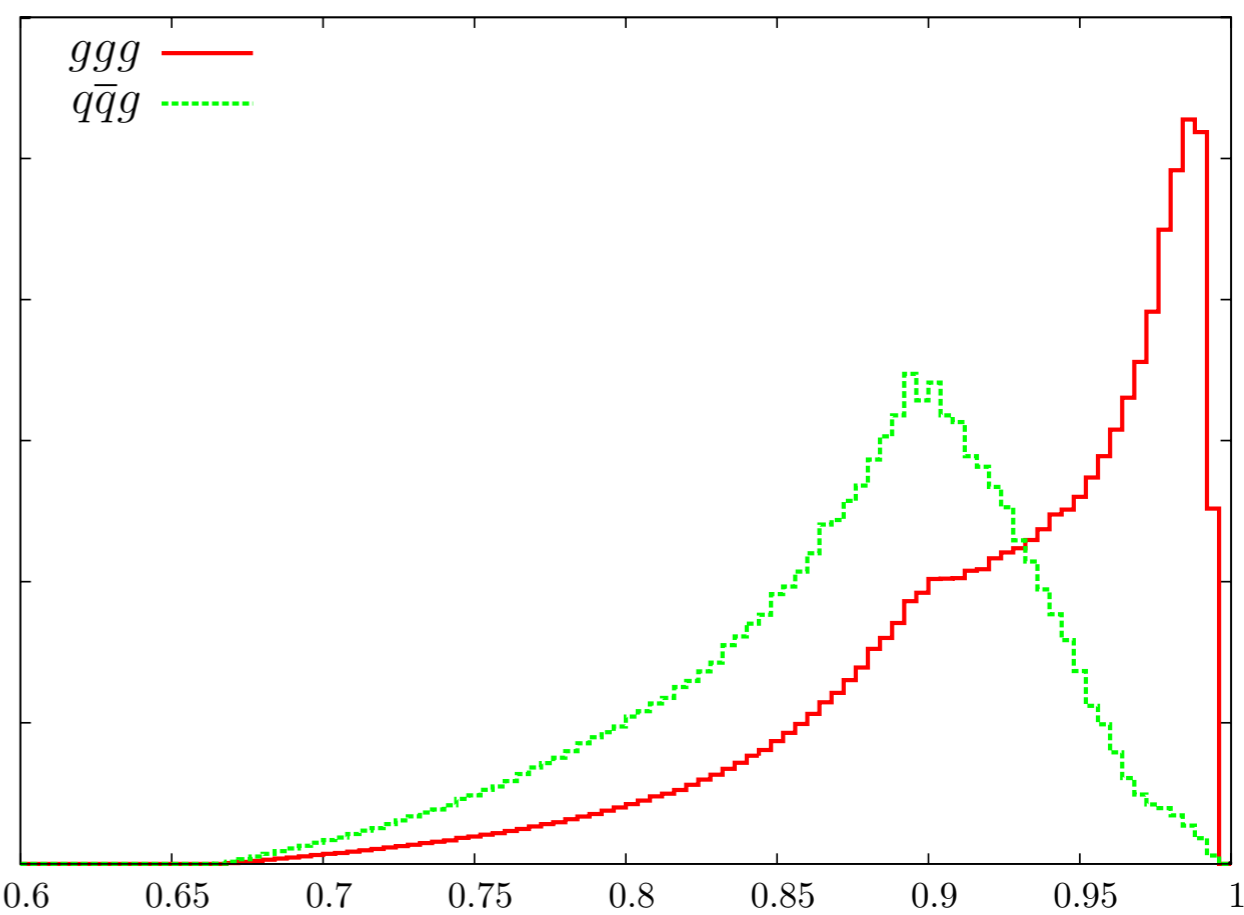
Preliminary

$d\sigma/dC$ , arbitrary units,  $\sqrt{\hat{s}} = 200$  GeV,  $k_t R = 0.6$



← ‘two-jet’ like  $C$  spherical →

$d\sigma/dT$ , arbitrary units,  $\sqrt{\hat{s}} = 200$  GeV,  $k_t R = 0.6$



← spherical  $T$  ‘two-jet’ like →

# New Monte Carlo implementation

J. Monk and A. Pilkington, *Comput.Phys.Commun.* 175 (2006) 232

Boonekamp et al. arXiv:1102.2531

- Dijet production previously implemented in Exhume and FPMC
- However, there have been a number of theoretical developments:

▶ Correct inclusion of Sudakov factor

Correct limit ‘ $\Delta$ ’ on  $z$  integration:

T.D. Coughlin and J.R. Forshaw, *JHEP* 1001 (2010) 121

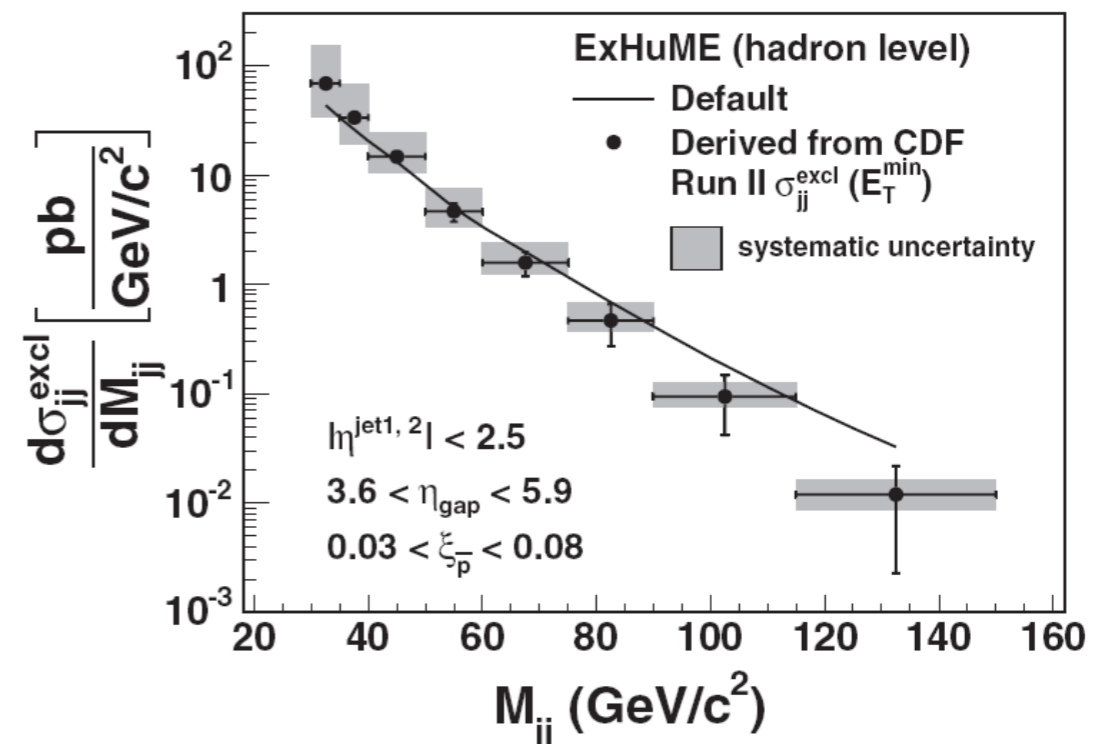
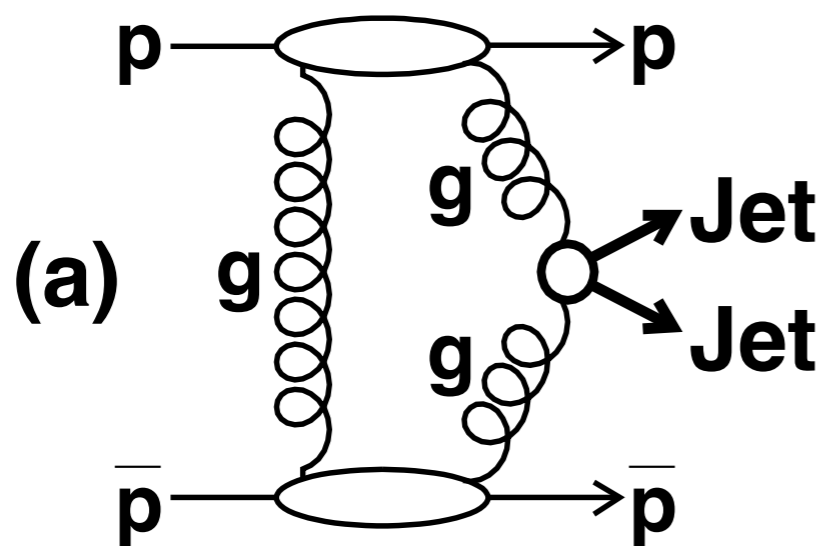
LHL, V.A. Khoze, M.G. Ryskin, W.J. Stirling, *Eur.Phys.J.* C69 (2010)

▶ Consistent treatment of ‘skewed’ gluon PDFs

$R_g$  factor dependent on gluon  $Q_{\perp}$   
LHL, *Phys. Rev. D* 88 (2013) 034029

▶ Latest model of soft survival effects

As in V.A. Khoze, A.D. Martin, M.G. Ryskin,  
*Eur.Phys.J.* C73 (2013) 2503



- Most importantly, neither of these include survival effects in a complete

way:

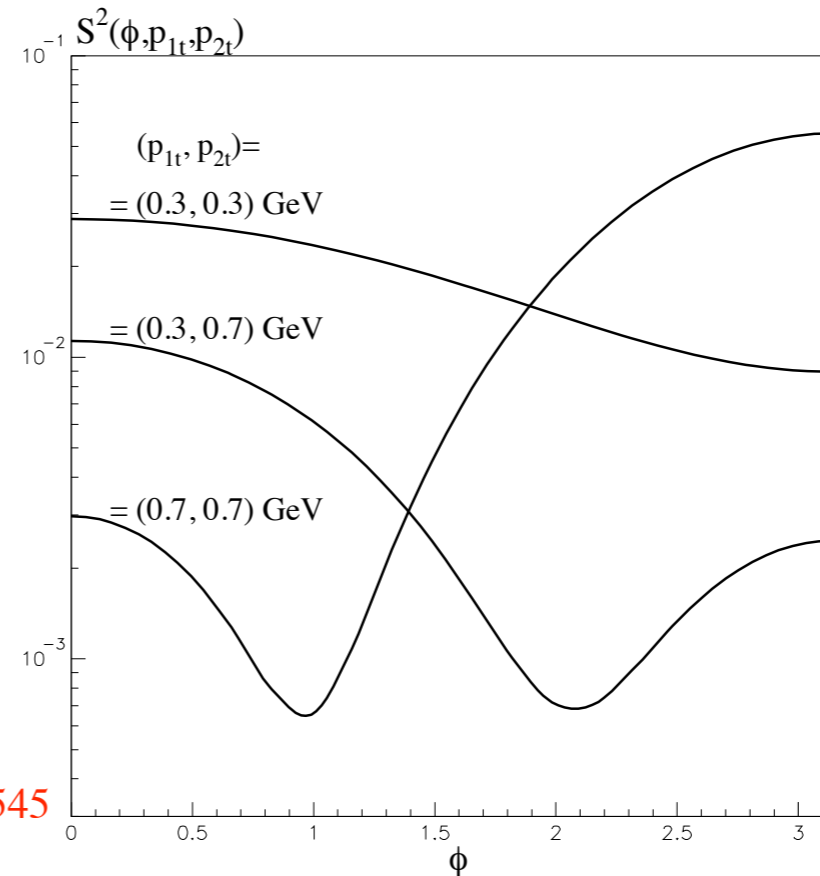
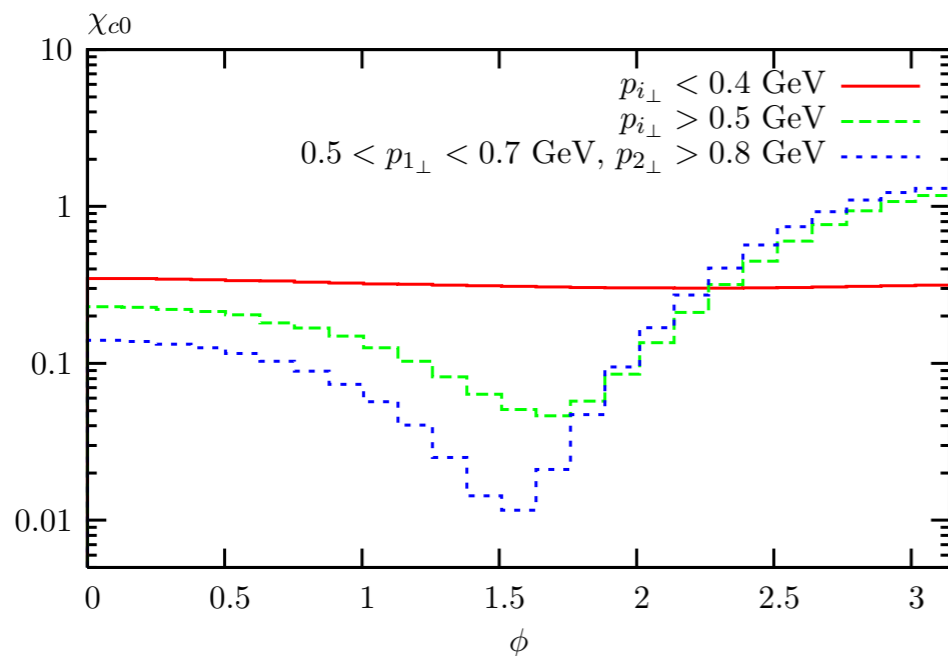
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_X} \propto \int d^2\mathbf{p}_{1\perp} d^2\mathbf{p}_{2\perp} |\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{p}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{p}_{2\perp})|^2 \mathcal{S}_{\text{eik}}^2(\mathbf{p}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{p}_{2\perp})$$

- Survival factor is not constant, but depends on (and effects) the distribution of the outgoing proton  $p_{\perp}$  vectors.

→ Expected suppression will depend on specific process, and soft survival factors can have a dramatic effect on the predicted distributions

( $\Rightarrow$  tagged protons)

V.A. Khoze, M.G. Ryskin, A.D. Martin, Eur.Phys.J C24 (2002) 58



LHL, V.A. Khoze, M.G. Ryskin, W.J. Stirling, Eur.Phys.J. C71 (2011) 1545

New MC (under development) includes all of these updates and a full treatment of soft survival effects...



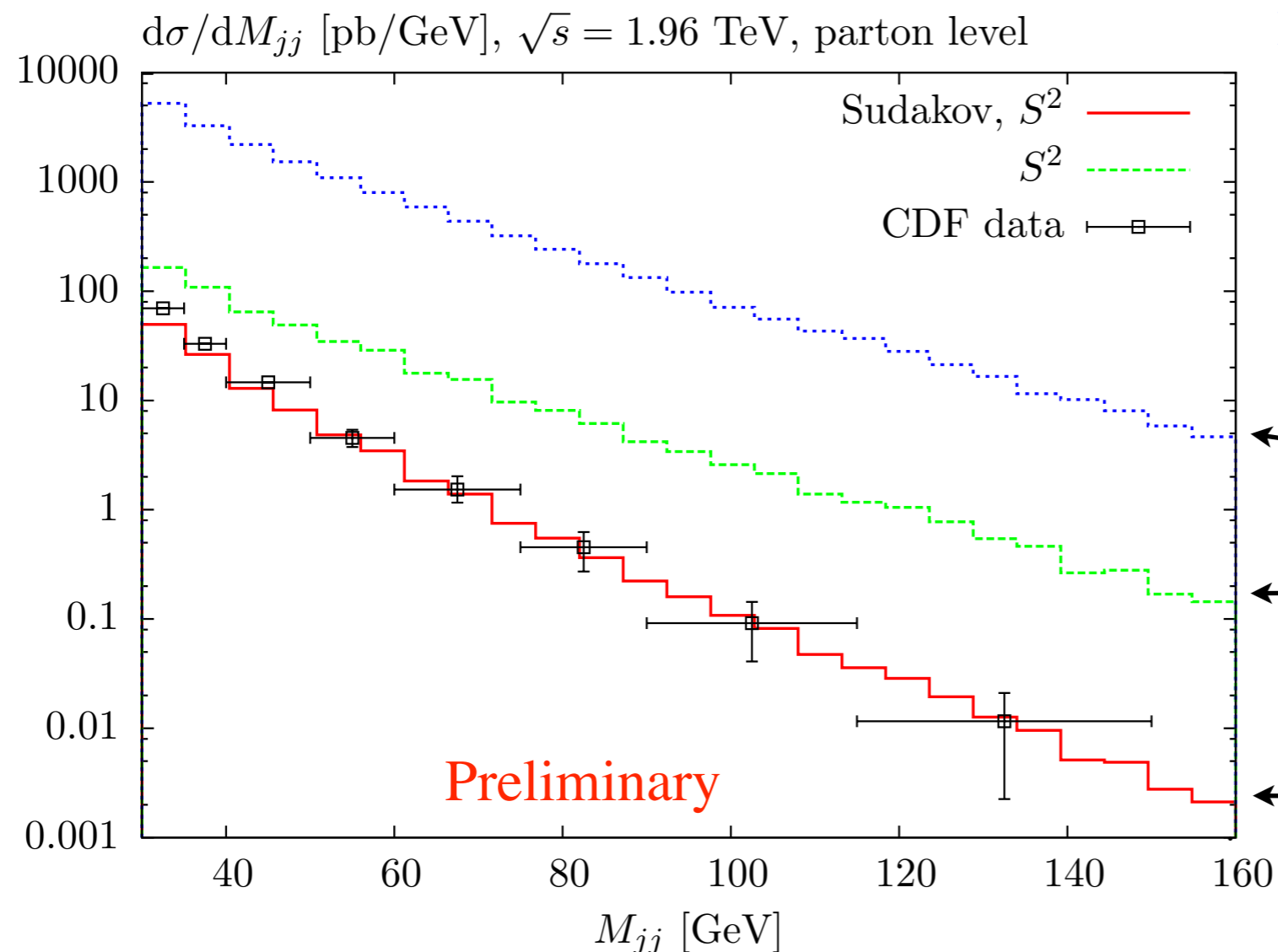
# SuperCHIC 2

**New** MC for CEP under development. Based on original SuperCHIC, but with significant extensions.

- Theoretical developments:
    - ▶ Correct inclusion of Sudakov factor
    - ▶ Consistent treatment of ‘skewed’ gluon PDFs
    - ▶ **Full** (differential) treatment of soft survival effects
  - LHAPDF interface.
  - Complete calculation performed ‘on-line’, and structured so that additional processes can be easily added.
  - Processes include:  $\chi_{c,b}$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$ , meson pairs ( $\pi\pi$ ,  $\rho\rho$ ,  $\eta(\prime)\eta(\prime)\dots$ ), **Higgs, jets...**  
and photoproduction ( $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon\dots$ ) as in original SuperCHIC
- Dijets ( $gg \rightarrow gg, q\bar{q}$ ) and trijets ( $gg \rightarrow ggg, gq\bar{q}$ ) included**
- To be made public in the mid-distant future

# Tevatron cross sections

- Can compare results of the MC with the CDF measurement.
- See clearly how both soft survival effects and Sudakov factor (non-pert. and pert. physics) are crucial to describe data.



Probability to produce colour singlet dijet state drops strongly with  $M_{jj}$

All predictions made with MSTW08LO PDFs, parton level

Soft survival not included, scale of Sudakov factor frozen

Soft survival included, scale of Sudakov factor frozen

Soft survival included, scale of Sudakov factor  $\sim M_{jj}$

Made with particular choice of  $S^2$  model and PDFs  $\Rightarrow$  more measurements (different  $\sqrt{s}$ ...) needed to test theory further...

Also, caveat: only parton level!

# LHC cross sections

- Consider two scenarios for observing exclusive jets at the LHC :
  - ▶ Low luminosity (CMS + TOTEM), special runs, lower  $M_X$
  - ▶ High luminosity (ALFA+ATLAS, TOTEM/PPS+CMS), no need for special runs, but  $M_X$  must be larger (  $\xi$  acceptance of proton taggers)

Dijet predictions for both scenarios:  $|\eta_j| < 2.5$   $|p_{\perp,j}| > 20$  GeV  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV

	$M_X(\text{min})$ [GeV]	$gg$	$q = b$	$\sum q = c, s, u, d$
Low Lumi	50	620	1.1	2.6
	75	120	0.15	0.44
	100	30	0.031	0.10
High Lumi	250	0.15	$1.1 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.0 \times 10^{-4}$
	500	$1.9 \times 10^{-3}$	$8.6 \times 10^{-7}$	$3.3 \times 10^{-6}$

$\sigma$  [pb]

$q\bar{q}$  Preliminary

▶ Low luminosity CMS + TOTEM, event selection:

Central:  $|\eta_j| < 4.4, |p_{\perp}^j| > 30 \text{ GeV}$     Protons:  $|p_{\perp}^y| > 0.1 \text{ GeV}, p_{1\perp}^y * p_{2\perp}^y > 0$

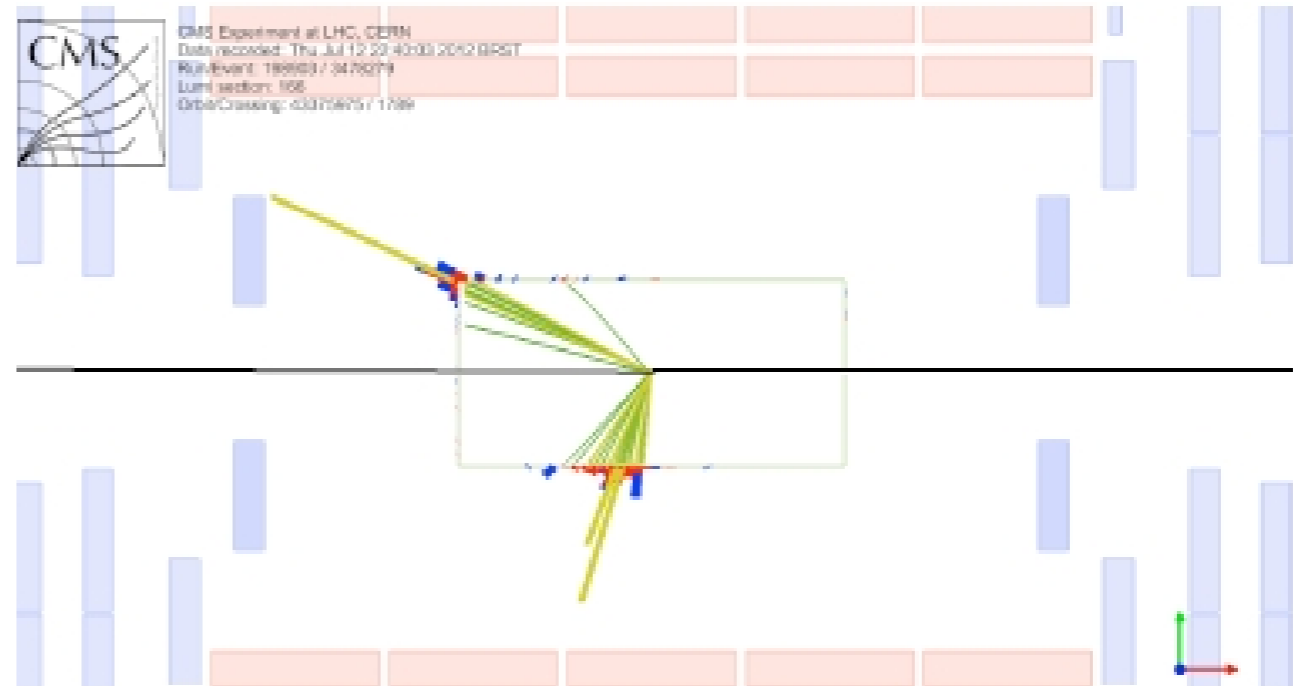
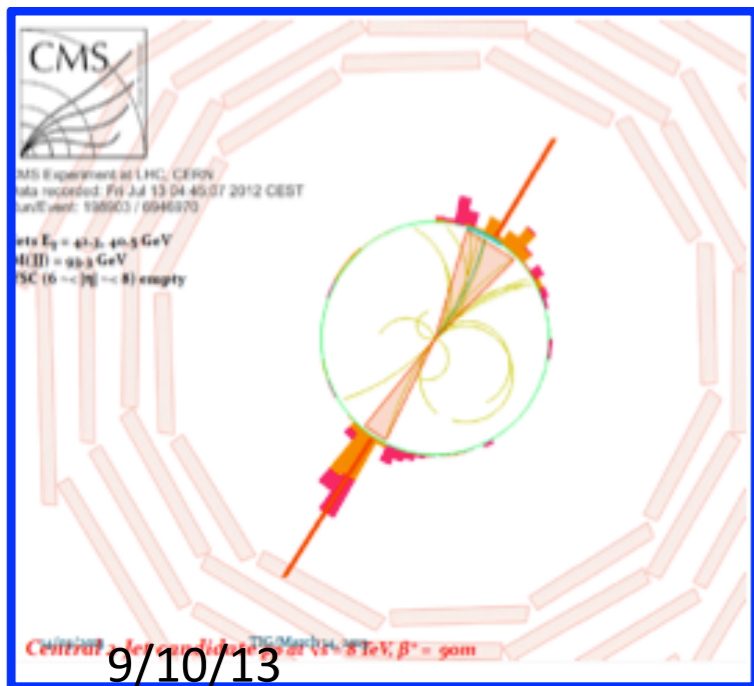
$\Rightarrow \sigma(gg) \approx 100 \text{ pb}$

▶ High luminosity CMS + TOTEM ('CT PPS') event selection:

Central:  $|p_{\perp}^j| > 120 \text{ GeV}, |\eta_j| < 2.5$     Protons:  $\xi > 0.03$

$\Rightarrow \sigma(gg) \approx 0.5 \text{ fb}$

$M_X > 390 \text{ GeV}$



CMS + TOTEM event displays

► **Trijet cross sections:**  $|\eta_j| < 2.5$  anti- $k_t$ ,  $R = 0.6$

$b\bar{b}g$   
 $\sim$  factor of 4  
 (=  $n_f$ ) smaller

$M_X(\text{min})$ [GeV]	For comparison $gg$	$ggg$	$q\bar{q}g$
75	120	3.1	0.30
100	30	2.1	0.22
150	4.1	0.56	0.054
150	1.9	0.046	$2.5 \times 10^{-3}$
250	0.14	0.013	$8.8 \times 10^{-4}$
250	0.082	$2.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.7 \times 10^{-4}$

$|p_{\perp,j}| > 20$  GeV

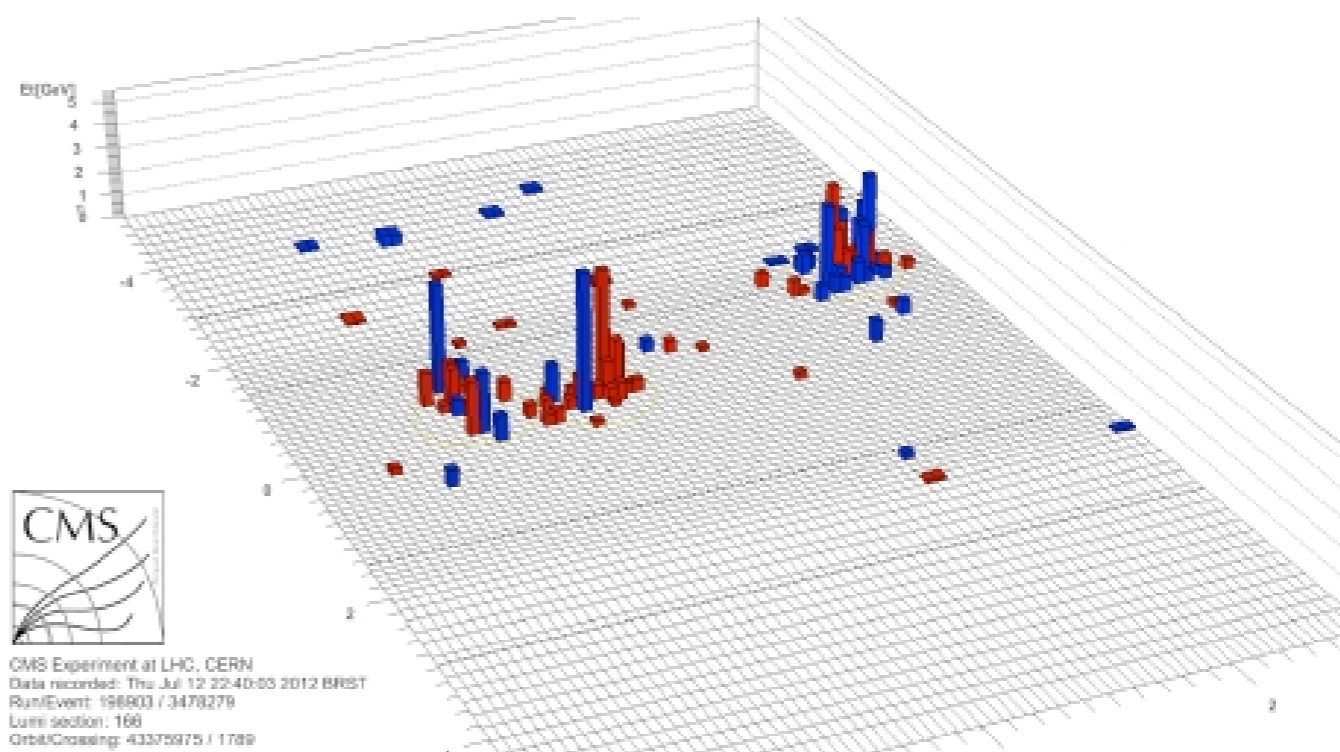
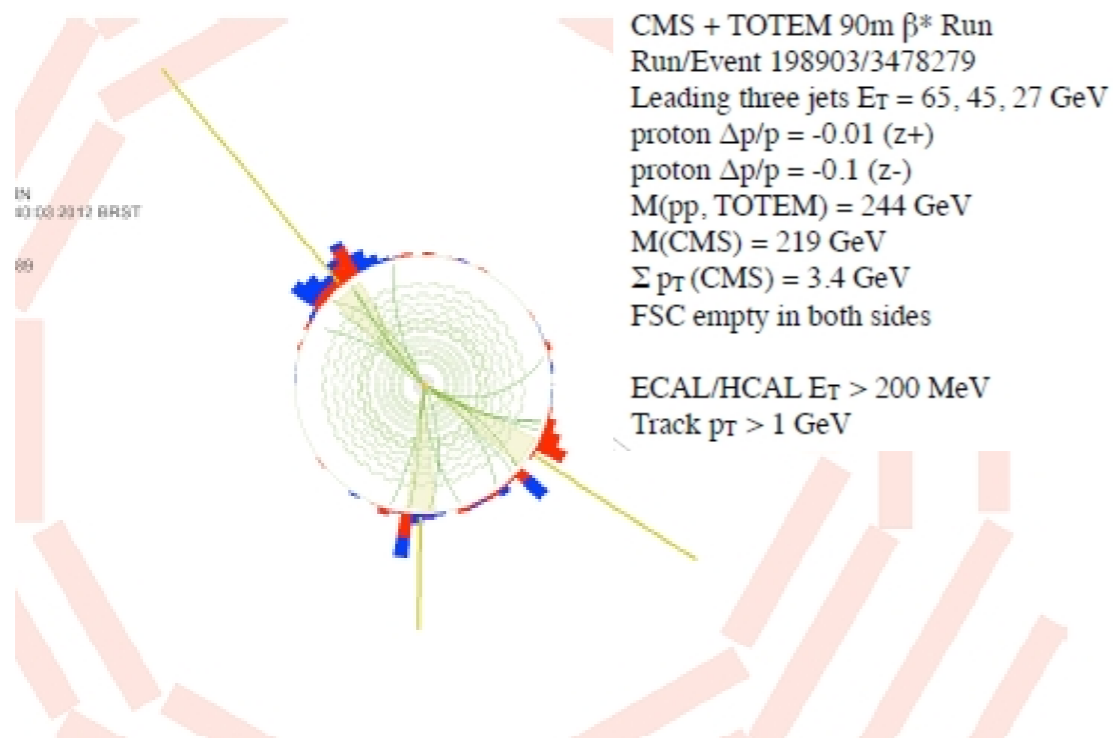
$|p_{\perp,j}| > 40$  GeV

$|p_{\perp,j}| > 60$  GeV

$\sigma$  [pb]

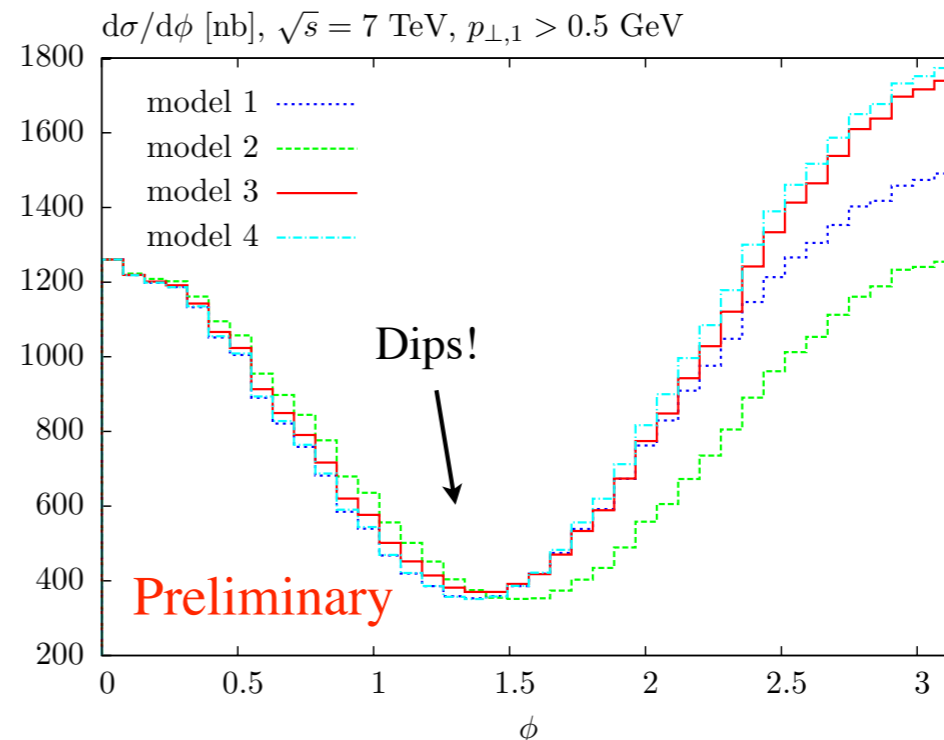
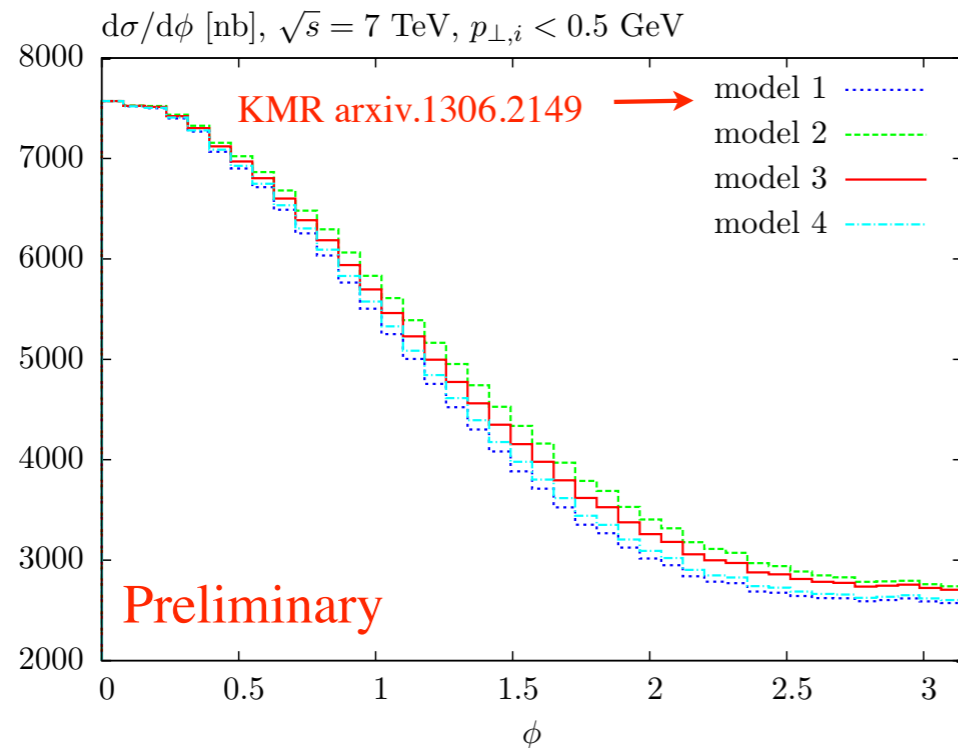
$\sum q = c, s, u, d$

Preliminary



- The observation of exclusive jets (and other processes) with tagged protons also provides additional information....

- Consider, e.g.  $\pi^+\pi^-$  production, with tagged protons. **TOTEM, ALFA**  
**R. Staszewski et al., arXiv:1104.3568**



Proton  $\phi$  distributions for low mass  $\pi^+\pi^-$  CEP, using **Dime MC**

- Distributions in angle  $\phi$  between outgoing protons strongly affected by soft survival effects, in model dependent way.
- This is in particular true when larger values of  $p_{\perp}$  are selected. Cancellation between screened and unscreened amplitudes results in characteristic ‘diffractive dip’ structure. **V. A. Khoze, A.D. Martin and M.G. Ryskin, hep-ph/0203122**  
**LHL, V.A. Khoze, M.G. Ryskin and W.J. Stirling, arXiv:1011.0680**

Plots for  $\pi^+\pi^-$  but similar effect seen in dijet production (**in progress**)

# Conclusions and Outlook

- Exclusive jets at the LHC present an interesting and potentially unique probe of QCD. (Although many other interesting CEP topics!)
- The Durham perturbative approach makes very clear predictions, which are quite different from ‘standard’ inclusive case:
  - ▶ **Isolated**  $gg$  dominance (LO  $gg \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  vanishes for massless quarks and  $J_z = 0$  gluons). **See also:**  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
  - ▶ **Three-jet** production. Different topologies:  $ggg$  vs.  $gq\bar{q}$ , still lots to look at here: theory work underway.
- Correlations between outgoing proton momenta sensitive to  $S^2$   
Strong motivation for very interesting program of CEP measurements,  
→ with tagged protons at the LHC, both at low/medium (TOTEM+CMS, ALFA+ATLAS) and high (AFP, PPS/TOTEM+CMS...) luminosity.
- Work underway on SuperCHIC 2, **new** MC for CEP, including exclusive two and three jet production.