



# Simulation of Multiple Interactions in the Sherpa Framework



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# The Basics

hadronic xs in parton model

$$\sigma_{\text{hard}} = \int dx_1 \int dx_2 \cdot f_1(x_1, Q^2) f_2(x_2, Q^2) \hat{\sigma}_{12}$$

$\frac{\hat{\sigma}}{d\hat{t}}$  to LO divergent for  $\hat{t} \rightarrow 0$

●  $\sigma_{\text{hard}}$  comparable with  $\sigma_{\text{ND}}$   
( non-diffractive xs )  
for  $\hat{t}_{\text{min}} \approx 2 - 4 \text{ GeV}^2$

$\sigma_{\text{hard}}$  must not exceed  $\sigma_{\text{ND}}$

➔ need multiple scatterings  
mean multiplicity:

$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{\sigma_{\text{hard}}}{\sigma_{\text{ND}}}$$

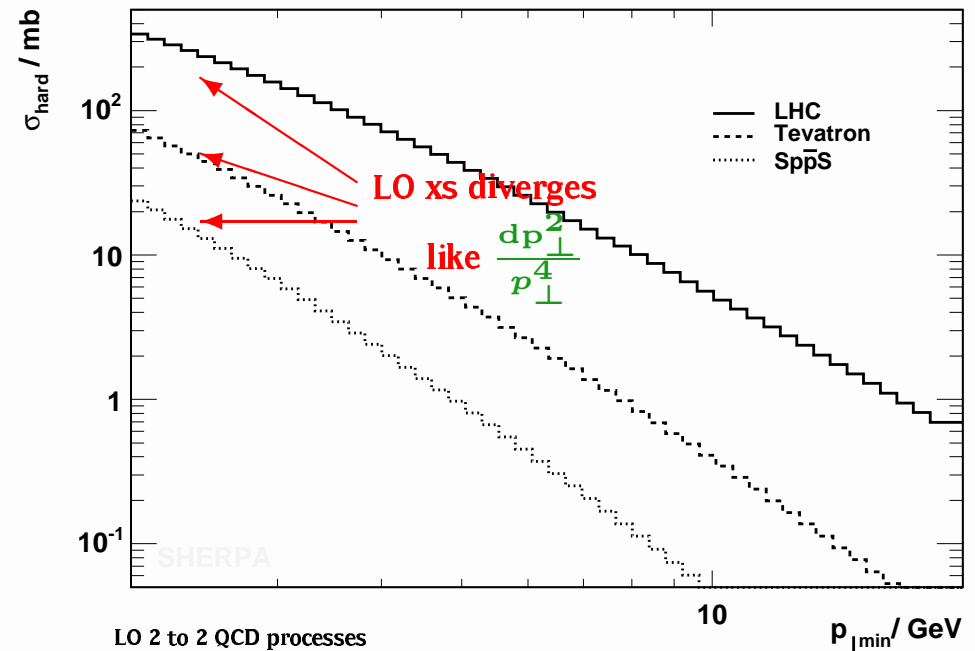
Sjöstrand and Zijl, Phys. Rev. D36 (1987)

Monte Carlo method:

distribute hard interactions like

$$f(p_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{ND}}} \frac{d\sigma_{\text{hard}}(p_{\perp})}{dp_{\perp}}$$

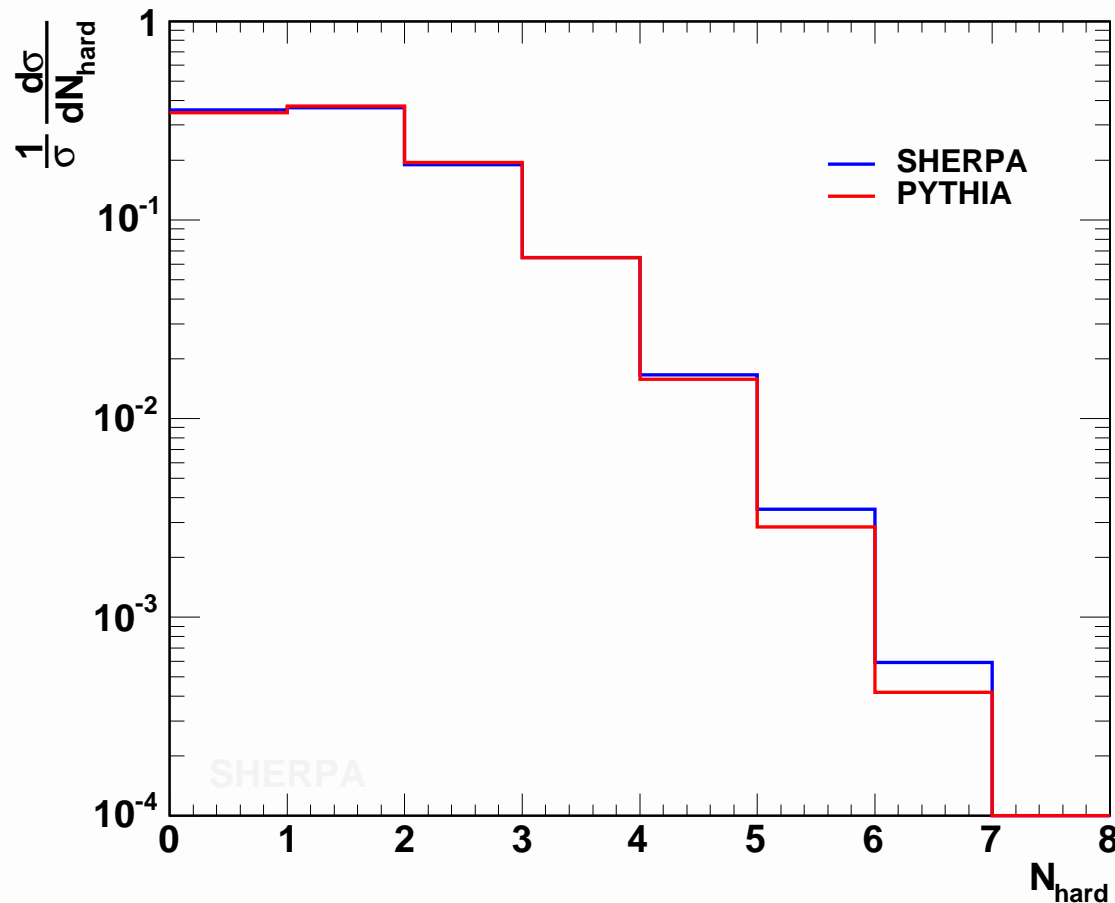
related problem:



➔  $\sigma_{\text{hard}}$  requires regularization!

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seed: QCD jet,  $P_T \geq 10 \text{ GeV}$

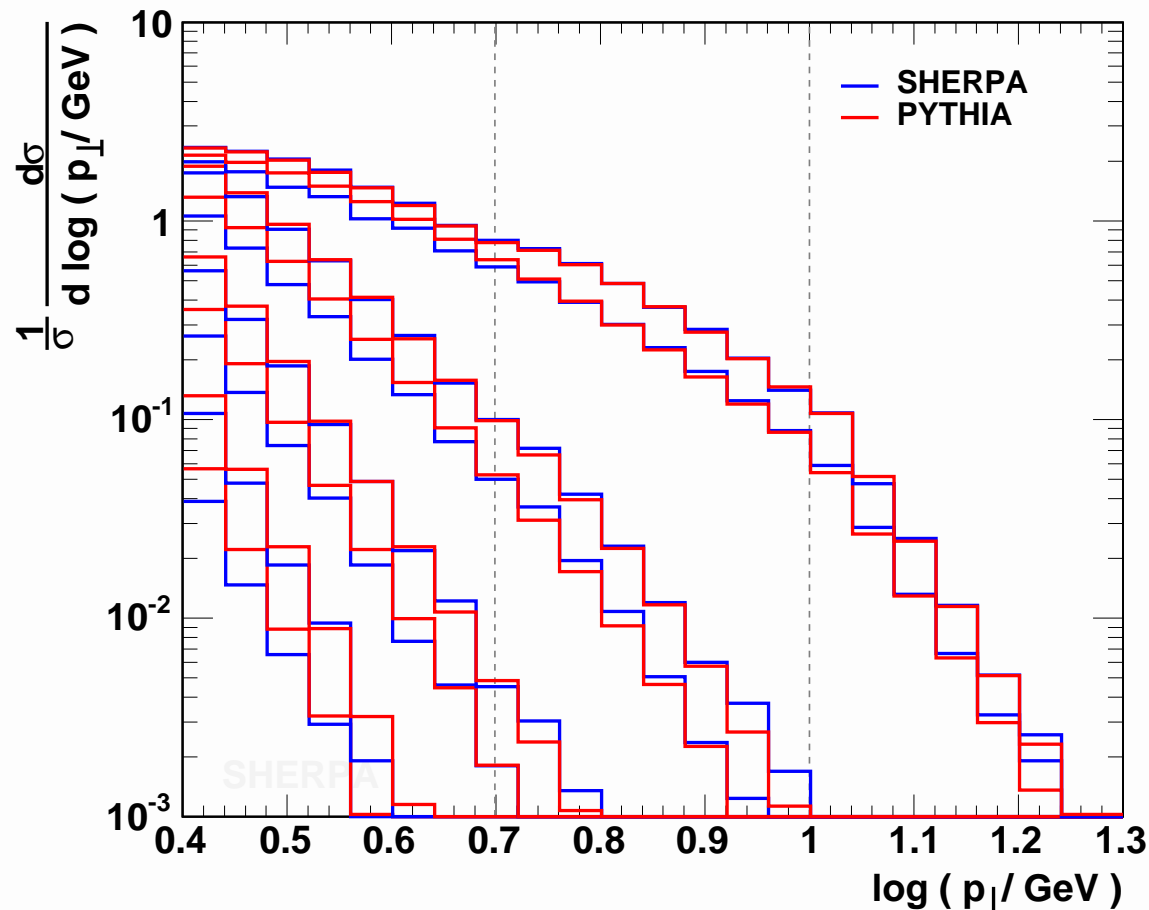


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- ➔ multiplicity agrees with PYTHIA result

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 $K_T$  clustering algorithm

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- compare shapes of “jets” from underlying event at ME level
- ➔ shapes agree with PYTHIA results

# Impact Parameters

- assume **extended** hadrons

→ profile function  $\rho(\mathbf{x})$

**overlap** of two colliding hadrons  
at impact parameter  $\mathbf{b}$

$$\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{b}) = \int dt d^3\mathbf{x} \rho_1(\mathbf{x}_1) \rho_2(\mathbf{x}_2)$$

- **mean multiplicity:**

$$\langle n(\mathbf{b}) \rangle = k\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{b})$$

$n(\mathbf{b})$  **Poissonian distributed** for each  $\mathbf{b}$

total interaction probability  $P_{\text{int}}(\mathbf{b})$   
given by Poissonian

- determine  $k$  from constraint

$$\frac{\sigma_{\text{hard}}}{\sigma_{\text{ND}}} = \frac{\int d^2\mathbf{b} \langle n(\mathbf{b}) \rangle P_{\text{int}}(\mathbf{b})}{\int d^2\mathbf{b} P_{\text{int}}(\mathbf{b})}$$

Monte Carlo method:

- **distribute** interactions like

$$f(p_{\perp}, b) = f_c f(b) \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{ND}}} \frac{d\sigma_{\text{hard}}(p_{\perp})}{dp_{\perp}}$$

apply veto algorithm  
for profiles with tail to infinity  
( e.g. Gaussian )

- **regularize**  $\sigma_{\text{hard}}$ :

naive: ● remove singularity via

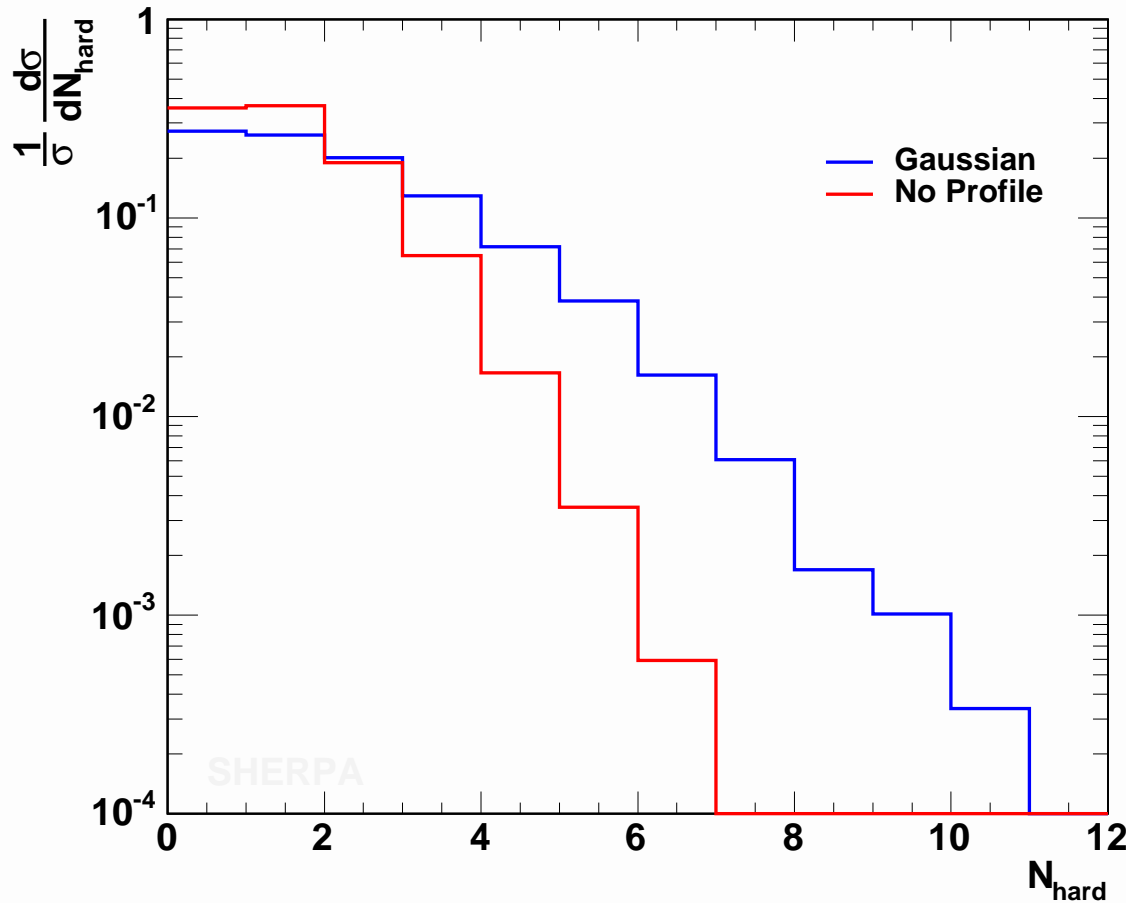
$$\sigma_{\text{hard}} \rightarrow \sigma_{\text{hard}} \cdot \frac{p_{\perp}^4}{(p_{\perp}^2 + p_{\perp 0}^2)^2}$$

- **adjust hard scale**

$$\alpha_s^2(p_{\perp}^2) \rightarrow \alpha_s^2(p_{\perp}^2 + p_{\perp 0}^2)$$

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Gaussian profile  
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- compare multiplicity of hard interactions in underlying event
- ➔ enhanced multiplicity (agrees with PYTHIA)

# Implementation Issues

## SHERPA implementation of the multiple interaction formalism

- all  $2 \rightarrow 2$  QCD processes included
- color flow adjusted such that string length is minimized in partonic final state
- showering allowed for partons from hard underlying event

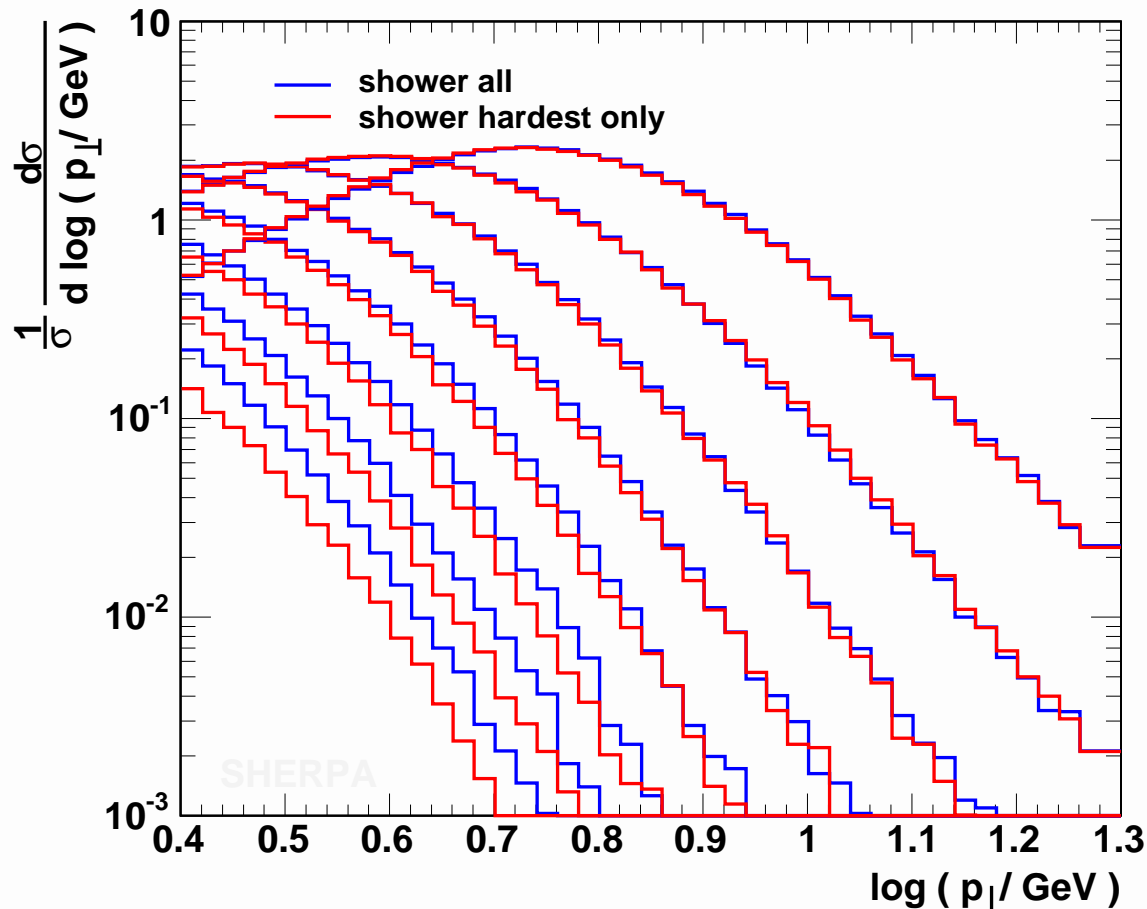
➔ New SHERPA module **AMISIC++**

( **A Multiple Interaction Simulation In C++** )

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Gaussian,  $K_T$  clustering

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- compare jet shapes  
( excluding the  
2 hardest jets )  
with / without shower
- ➔ harder jets  
from underlying event



## Done:

- Multiple interaction treatment included in **SHERPA 1.0**
  - Impact parameter independent model
  - Impact parameter dependent model
  - Parton showering for multiple interactions
  - Colour flow adjustment

## Missing:

- Tune
- Model for soft underlying event