

# Soft QCD and Forward Physics at CMS

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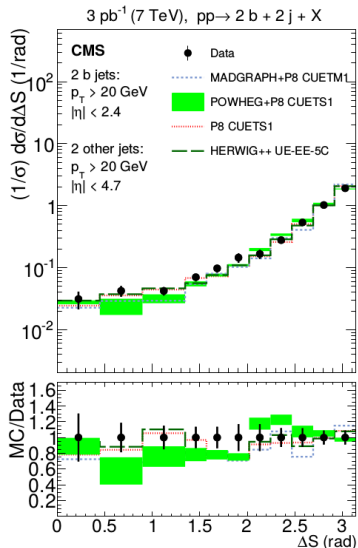
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- 4 jets required with  $p_T > 20$  GeV : 2 b-jets with  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and 2 jets with  $|\eta| < 4.7$
- $\sigma(pp \rightarrow 2b + 2j + X) = 69 \pm 3(stat) \pm 24(syst) nb$
- Measurement of DPS signal using correlations:

$$\Delta S = \arccos \left( \frac{\vec{p}_T(bottom_1, bottom_2) \cdot \vec{p}_T(light_1, light_2)}{|\vec{p}_T(bottom_1, bottom_2)| \cdot |\vec{p}_T(light_1, light_2)|} \right)$$

Preliminary Result: FSQ-13-010; Submitted to Phys. Rev. D

# Studies of 2 b-jet + 2 jet production in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV



- Normalized cross sections unfolded to the particle level as a function of  $\Delta S$
- All MC describe the data reasonably well
- Other observable display similar behaviour
- Predictions with MPI off yield worst agreement
- Results demonstrate sensitivity of correlation variables to DPS in multi-jet scenarios with heavy-quarks

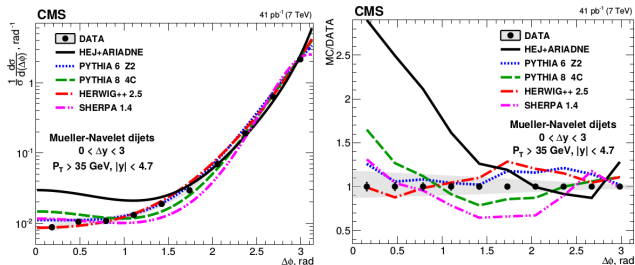
# Azimuthal angle decorrelation of jets widely separated in rapidity in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV

- Measurement of the azimuthal angle between the most forward and the most backward jets (Mueller-Navelet).
- CMS allows for a higher coverage up to 9.4 units of rapidity.
- The decorrelation arises from the presence of higher-order processes.
- Search for BFKL-like effects.

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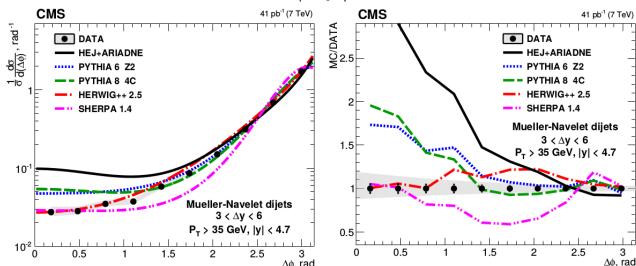
Mueller-Navelet  $\Delta\phi$  for dijets with  $|y| < 4.7$  and  $p_T > 35$  GeV  
 $0 < |\Delta y| < 3$



- PYTHIA 6 and HERWIG++ describe the data within uncertainties
- PYTHIA 8 and SHERPA 1.4, with parton matrix elements matched to LL DGLAP parton showers, show deviations at small and intermediate  $\Delta\phi$

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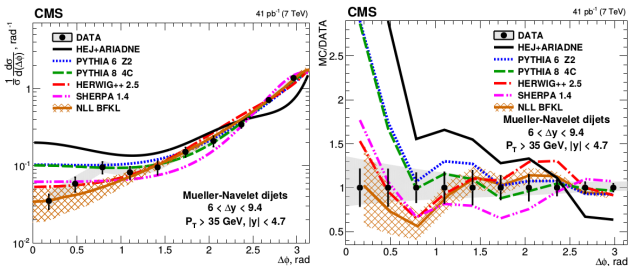
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- All predictions show deviations beyond experimental uncertainties
- HERWIG ++ provides the best description

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- Dijets are strongly decorrelated and NLL BFKL is the best description
- SHERPA and HERWIG deviates at intermediate  $\Delta\phi$  but are close at lower  $\Delta\phi$ . PYTHIA 6 and PYTHIA 8 fail for the lower  $\Delta\phi$
- Indication that the kinematical domain of the present study lies in between the regions described by the DGLAP and BFKL approaches



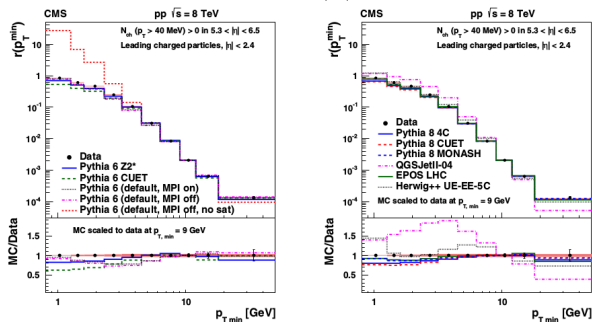
# Leading charged particles and leading charged-particle jets at small $p_T$ in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

- Jet production at LHC well described at  $p_T > 20$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 3$
- Looking for the low  $p_T$  particles/jets: transition between perturbative and non-perturbative region
- Both measurements are complementary: jets carry almost all energy from the parton but are sensitive to MPI, initial and final state radiation

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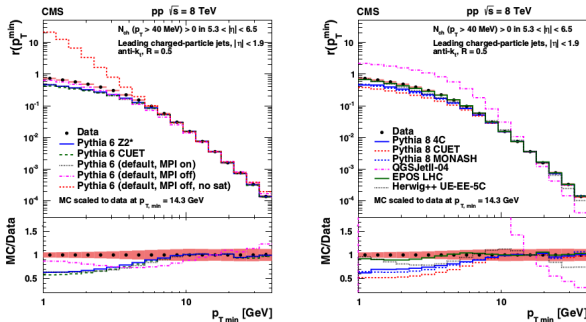
Leading charged particle within  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and  $p_T > 0.8$  GeV



- EPOS is the best description, deviates only 10% from data at very low  $p_T$
- HERWIG does not describe the transition between low and high  $p_T$
- PYTHIA does not predict the correct shape at low  $p_T$

# Leading charged particles and leading charged-particle jets at small $p_T$ in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

Leading charged particle jet within  $|\eta| < 1.8$  and  $p_T > 1$  GeV



- EPOS is the best description, deviates only 10% from data at very low  $p_T$
- Similar conclusions for HERWIG and PYTHIA as in previous slides
- The region around 1 GeV is relatively flat: help to improve the description of the transition

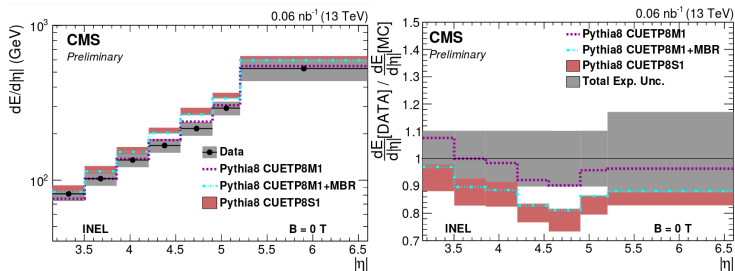
# Pseudorapidity dependence of the energy and transverse energy density at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

- Measuring the energy flow  $dE/d\eta$  and transverse energy density  $dE_T/d\eta$  in the range  $3.15 < |\eta| < 6.6$
- Explore the basic characteristics of the underlying event and MPI as function of pseudorapidity
- Study the soft particle production in the beam fragmentation region  $\eta' = \eta - y_{beam} \simeq 0$

Preliminary result: CMS-PAS-FSQ-15-006

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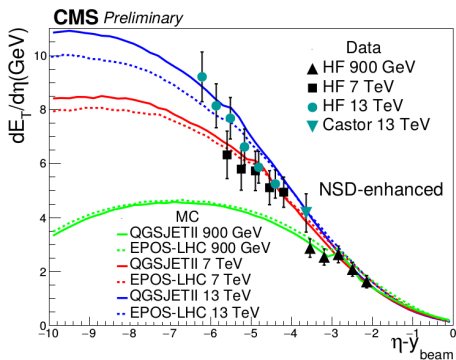
Energy flow for the soft-inclusive inelastic selection  $3.15 < |\eta| < 6.6$   
 $\xi = M^2/s > 10^{-6}$  - requiring activity on at least one side of HF or in CASTOR



- PYTHIA 8 CUETP8S1 gives the best description.

# Pseudorapidity dependence of the energy and transverse energy density at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

Transverse energy flow as function of shifted pseudo-rapidity,  $\eta' = \eta - y_{beam}$ .  
At least two particles in the range  $3.9 < |\eta| < 4.4$ , at least one on each side of the detector.



- Soft particle production in the region  $\eta' \simeq 0$  is independent of the  $\sqrt{s}$

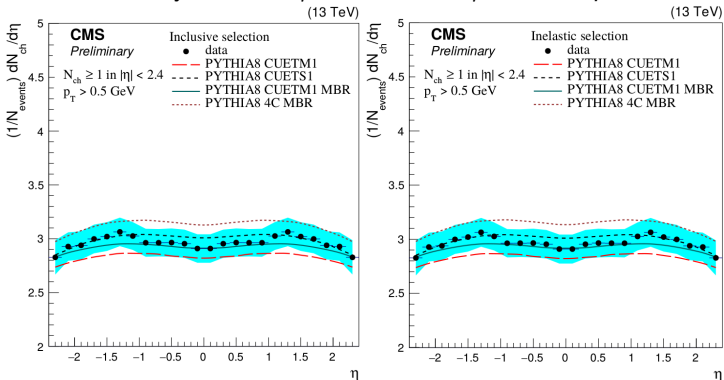
# Pseudorapidity distributions of charged particles in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

- Pseudorapidity distribution of charged particles  $dN_{charged}/d\eta$  for  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and  $p_T > 0.5$  GeV
- Measurement performed for several scenarios: inclusive, inelastic enhanced, non-single diffractive dissociation and single diffractive dissociation.
- Needed to understand the Underlying Event properties at low energies.

Preliminary result: CMS-PAS-FSQ-15-008

# Pseudorapidity distributions of charged particles in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

Inclusive: at least one particle with  $p_T > 0.5$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.4$   
Inelastic: activity in  $-5 < \eta < -3$  or  $3 < \eta < 5$  with  $p_T > 5$  GeV



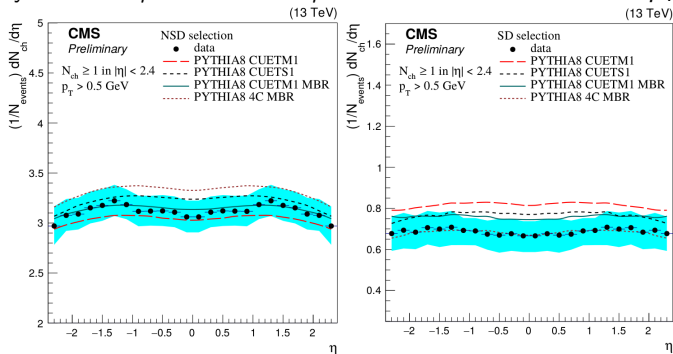
- Best description with PYTHIA 8 tune CUETP8S1 and PYTHIA 8 MBR tune CUETP8M1



# Pseudorapidity distributions of charged particles in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

NSD: activity in  $-5 < \eta < -3$  and  $3 < \eta < 5$  with  $p_T > 5$  GeV

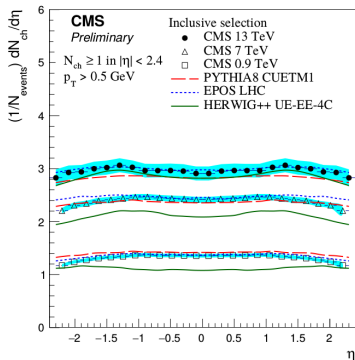
SD: activity in  $-5 < \eta < -3$  or  $3 < \eta < 5$  and veto the other with  $p_T > 5$  GeV



- PYTHIA 8 MBR with tune CUETP8M1 gives the best description of the NSD scenario
- PYTHIA 8 MBR with tune 4C describe the SD scenario well

# Pseudorapidity distributions of charged particles in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

Inclusive scenario for several center-of-mass energies: 0.9, 7 and 13 TeV



- Good description by Pythia 8 tune CUETP8M1 and EPOS LHC at 3 distinct centre-of-mass energies.

- CMS has carried out several soft QCD and Forward Physics measurements at different centre-of-mass energies 7, 8 and 13 TeV
- Jets and charged particles were studied, specially at low  $p_T$
- Large rapidity intervals were studied, taking advantage of the almost hermetic detector
- These measurements helped to shed light in several open QCD topics: Underlying Event (UE), Multi Parton Interactions (MPI), Double Parton Scattering (DPS), Single and Non-Single diffractive dissociation, Jet Correlations and transition between perturbative and non-perturbative QCD
- More studies are being produced with 13 TeV