

# ***Double Parton Scattering at the LHC – Characteristics and Estimates***

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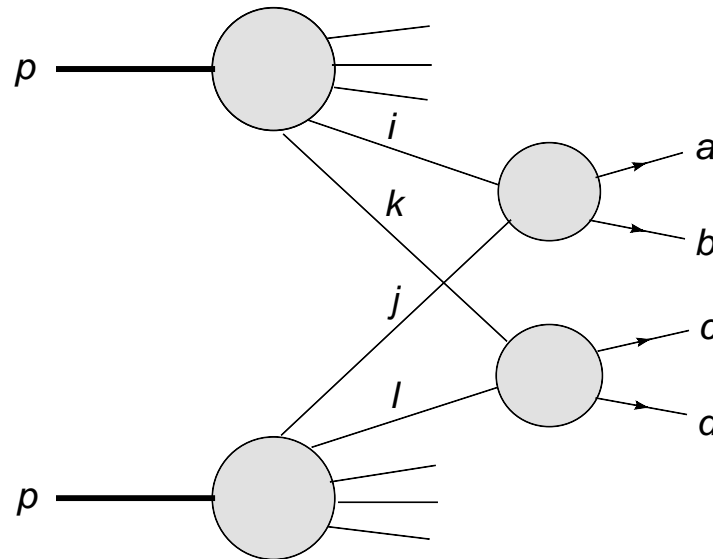
# Outline

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1. What is Double Parton Scattering (DPS)?
2. Aim: identify signature kinematic variables and characteristic concentrations in phase space that distinguish DPS events from the usual single parton scattering SPS events
3. Establish a methodology to measure the size of DPS
4. Once the cross section for DPS is established in a well defined process, here,  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}jjX$ , then one can calculate its contributions in other final states
5. Possibly important for background estimates in new physics searches
6. Conclusions

# What is double parton scattering?

- Two hard collisions per  $pp$  interaction



- Does it exist as a discernable contribution?
- What are its characteristics, allowing its measurement?
- Heuristic cross section for  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}j_1j_2X$ ,

$$d\sigma^{DPS}(pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}j_1j_2X) = \frac{d\sigma^{SPS}(pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}X)d\sigma^{SPS}(pp \rightarrow j_1j_2X)}{\sigma_{\text{eff}}}$$

## Several assumptions

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- $\sigma_{\text{eff}}$ 
  - Given one hard-scatter,  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}$  measures the effective size of the core in which accompanying partons are confined
  - Bounded by the transverse size of a proton
  - Different for  $gg$  and  $qq$  subprocesses? Energy dependent?
- Factorization/independent hard scatters cannot be strictly true, certainly not if any parton  $x > 0.5$
- Large dynamic range of LHC offers opportunity to explore this phenomenology; measure  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}$

# $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}jjX$ at the LHC

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Bottom quark pair production plus two jets

- Large rate over a wide kinematic range
- $b$  tagging provides a clean signal
- Relatively unambiguous which final objects to pair:  $b$  with  $\bar{b}$  and  $j$  with  $j$

Calculation

- Generate DPS  $4 \rightarrow 4$  events with Madgraph/Madevent
- Generate SPS  $2 \rightarrow 4$  events with ALPGEN (faster)
- Look for kinematic distributions that show discrimination between DPS and SPS

Assume, for illustration,  $\sigma_{\text{eff}} = 12$  mb; event rates quoted for  $\sqrt{s} = 10$  TeV and  $10 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity

# $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}jjX$ at the LHC

## Double parton contributions

- At LO, the only contribution is:  $(ij \rightarrow b\bar{b}) \otimes (kl \rightarrow jj)$
- $\otimes$ : combine one event from  $b\bar{b}$  and one from  $jj$
- NLO effects modeled with

$$b\bar{b}(j) \otimes jj, \quad b\bar{b}j \otimes (j)j, \quad b\bar{b}j \otimes j(j)$$
$$b\bar{b} \otimes (j)jj, \quad b\bar{b} \otimes j(j)j, \quad b\bar{b} \otimes jj(j)$$

- $(j)$  indicates  $j$  is undetected

## Single parton contributions

- LO :  $2 \rightarrow 4$  process  $ij \rightarrow b\bar{b}jj$
- NLO modeled with contributions from the 5-jet final states:

$$b\bar{b}(j)jj, \quad b\bar{b}j(j)j, \quad b\bar{b}jj(j).$$

# Simulation details

- Acceptance cuts

$$p_{T,j} \geq 25 \text{ GeV}, \quad |\eta_j| \leq 2.5$$

$$p_{T,b} \geq 25 \text{ GeV}, \quad |\eta_b| \leq 2.5$$

$$\Delta R_{jj} \geq 0.4, \quad \Delta R_{bb} \geq 0.4$$

$$\Delta R_{ij} = \sqrt{(\eta_i - \eta_j)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2}$$

- Include detector resolution effects

$$\frac{\delta E}{E} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}} \oplus b,$$

$a = 50\%$  and  $b = 3\%$  for jets

- Assume a  $b$ -tagging rate of 60% for  $b$ -quarks with

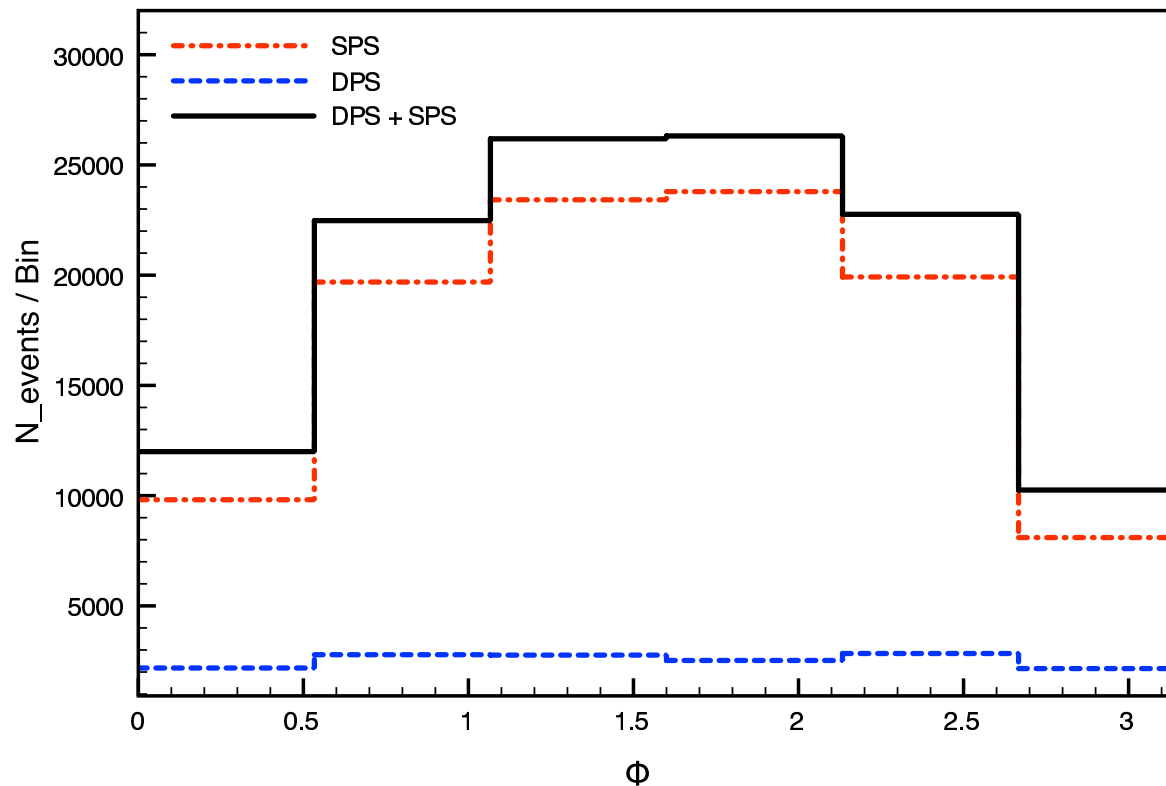
$$p_T > 20 \text{ GeV} \text{ and } |\eta_b| < 2.0$$

- Hard scale choice

$$\mu^2 = \sum_i p_{T,i}^2 + m_i^2$$

# DPS $\rightarrow$ uncorrelated (sub)events

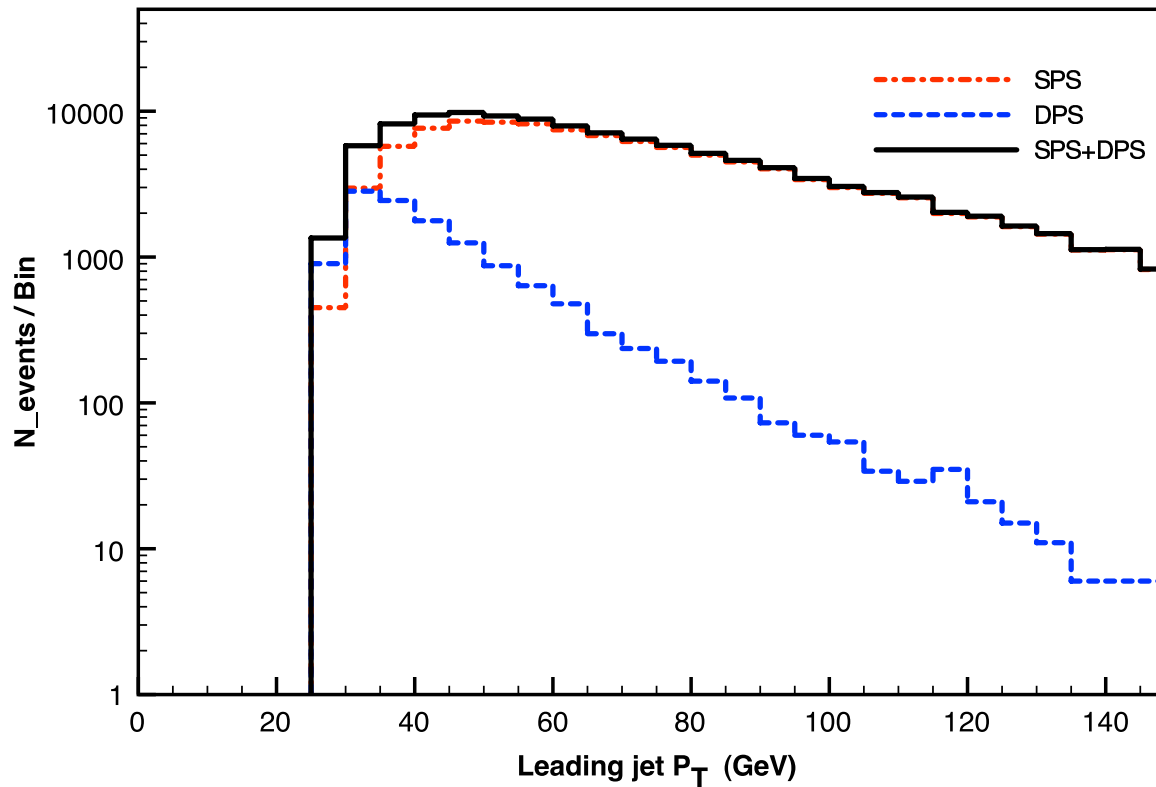
- $\Phi$ : angle between the planes defined by  $b\bar{b}$  and  $jj$  systems
- Uncorrelated scatters: the DPS  $\Phi$  distribution flat
- In SPS,  $a + b \rightarrow b\bar{b}jjX$ , many diagrams contribute; spin and kinematic correlations expected between the planes





# Transverse momentum of leading jet

- $p_T$  of the leading jet in  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}jjX$ , either a  $b$  or a light  $j$



- DPS fills in the lower  $p_T$  region
- Sum does not allow us to establish a DPS signal; cross-over set by  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}$

## Distinguishing Variables - $\Delta\phi_{jj}$ and $S_\phi$

- Topology of DPS events includes two  $2 \rightarrow 2$  hard scatters
  - Expect 2 pairs of jets to be individually roughly back-to-back (up to effects of extra real radiation)
  - $\rightarrow \Delta\phi_{jj} \sim \pi$  and  $\Delta\phi_{b\bar{b}} \sim \pi$
- Even better is variable  $S_\phi$  that combines this information from both  $b\bar{b}$  and  $jj$  systems

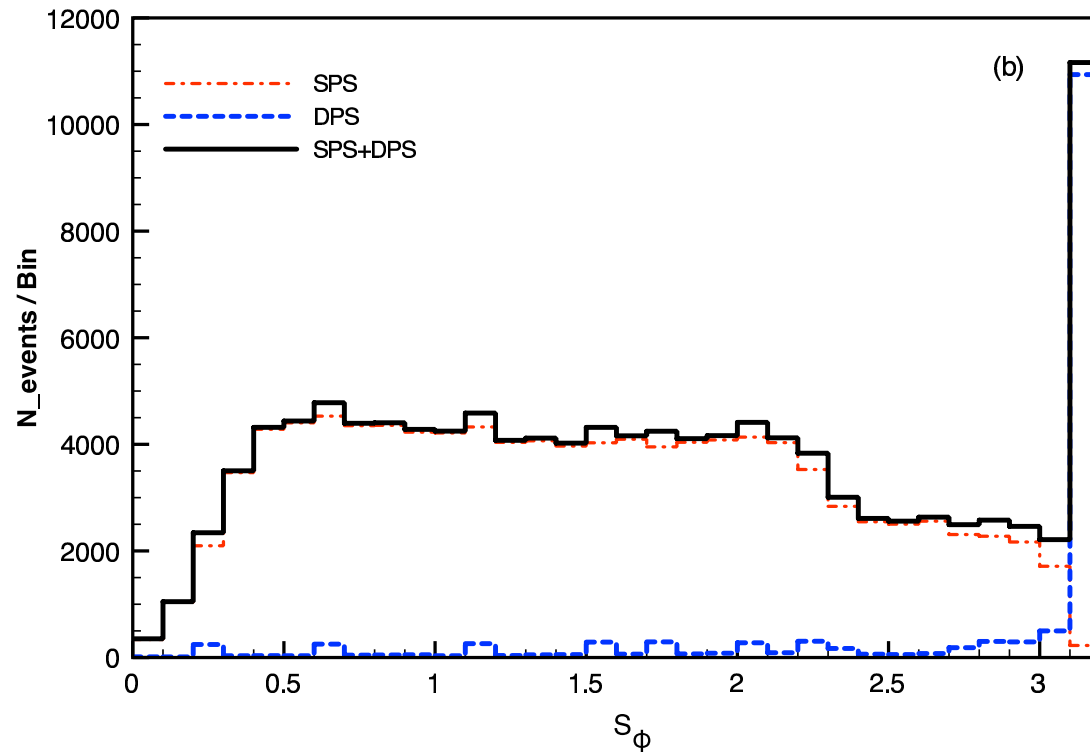
$$S_\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\Delta\phi(b_1, b_2)^2 + \Delta\phi(j_1, j_2)^2}$$

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$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \gamma + 3jX$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV

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- DPS events are clustered near  $S_\phi \sim \pi$ , well separated from the total
- SPS events are fairly uniformly distributed

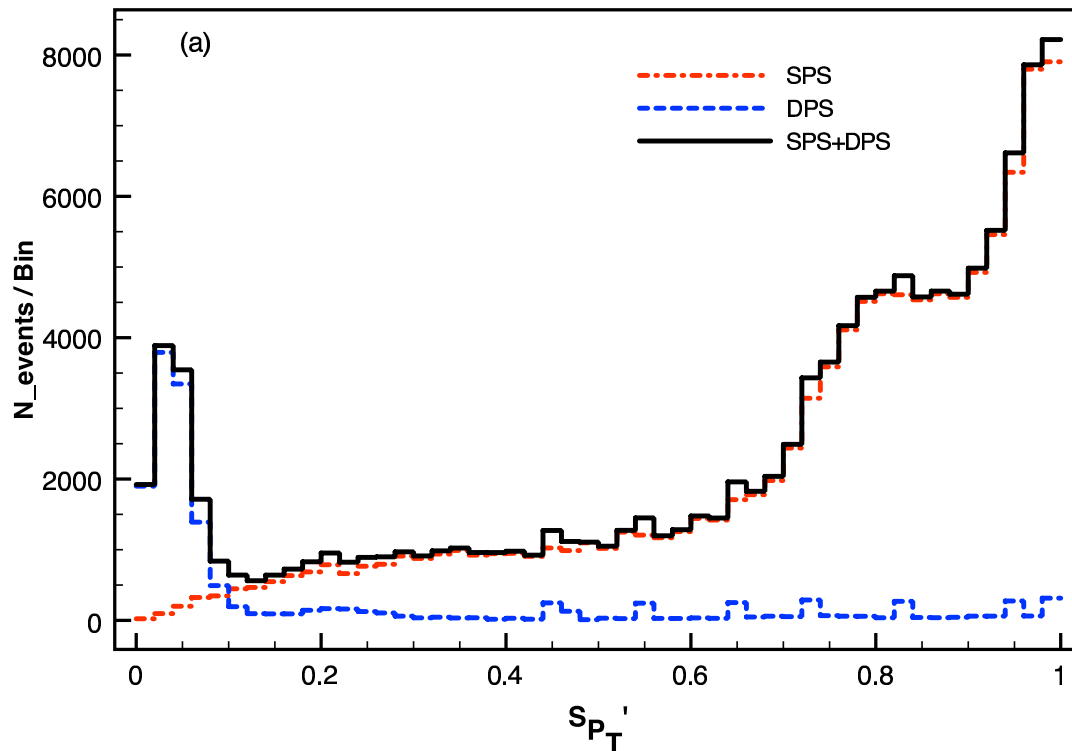
## Distinguishing Variables - $p_T(j_1, j_2)$ and $S'_{p_T}$

- Topology of DPS events includes two  $2 \rightarrow 2$  hard scatters
  - Expect 2 pairs of jets to be individually roughly back-to-back (up to effects of extra real radiation)
  - At LO for a  $2 \rightarrow 2$  process, the **vector sum** of the transverse momenta of the final state pair is zero:  
 $p_T(b_1, b_2) \sim 0$  and  $p_T(j_1, j_2) \sim 0$
  - NLO radiation and momentum mismeasurement smear the expected peak near zero
- Scaled variable  $S'_{p_T}$  combines this information from both  $b\bar{b}$  and  $jj$  systems

$$S'_{p_T} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\left( \frac{|p_T(b_1, b_2)|}{|p_T(b_1)| + |p_T(b_2)|} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{|p_T(j_1, j_2)|}{|p_T(j_1)| + |p_T(j_2)|} \right)^2}$$

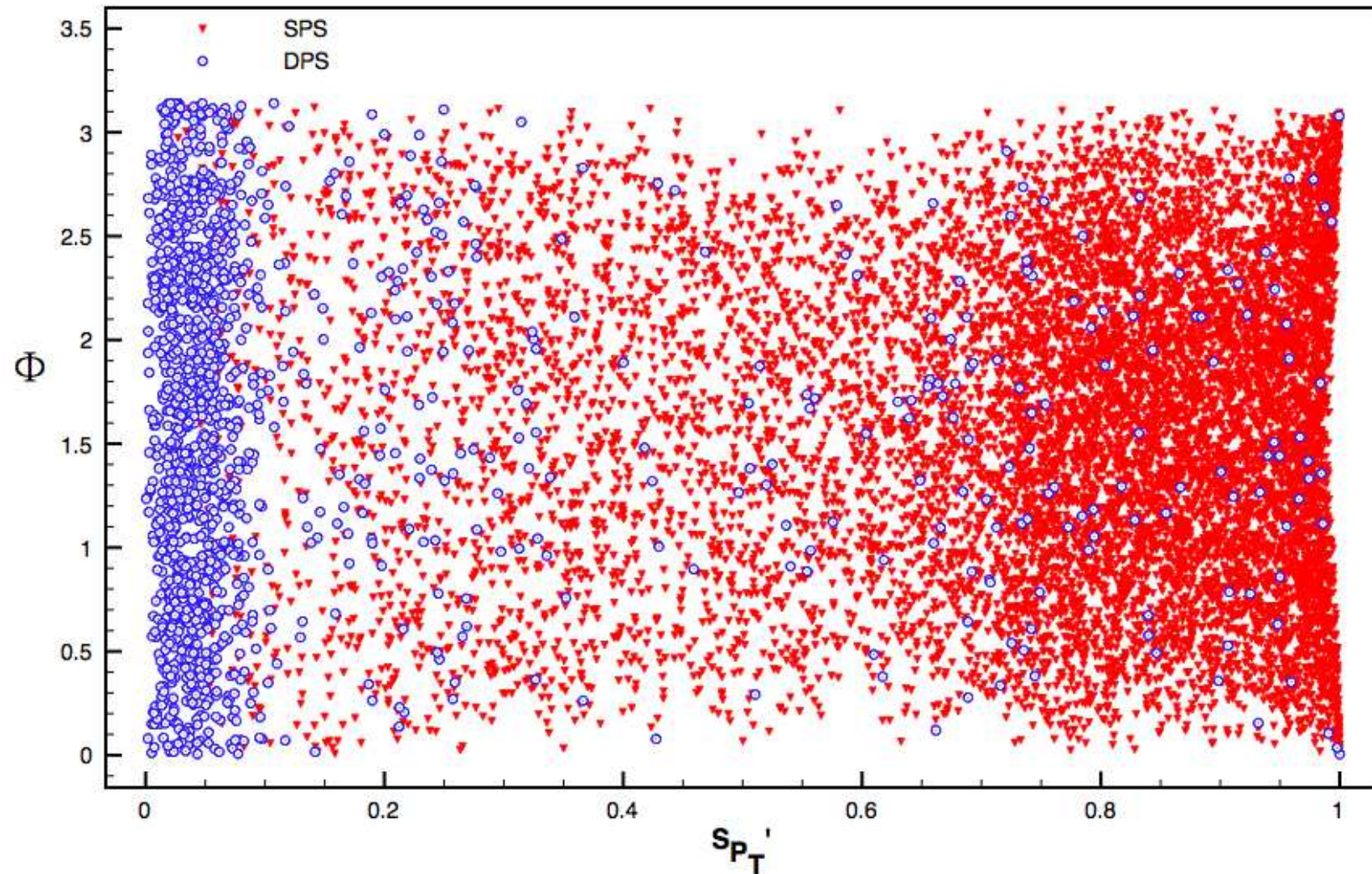
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- DPS events produce a clear peak near  $S'_{p_T} = 0$ , well separated from the total
- SPS events are away from back-to-back (gluon splitting)

# Two-dimensional distribution



Clear separation of DPS from SPS in the 2-D  $\Phi$  and  $S'_{pT}$  plane

# Methodology/Strategy

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Start with clean process  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}jjX$

- Look at events in the 2-D  $\Phi$  and  $S'_{p_T}$  plane
- Expect a concentration of events near  $S'_{p_T} = 0$  that are distributed uniformly in the inter plane angle  $\Phi$ . These are the DPS events
- Valley of low density between  $S'_{p_T} \sim 0.1$  and  $0.4$  should allow a cut that enhances DPS
- This enhanced DPS sample should show a more rapid drop of the cross section vs  $p_T$  of the leading jet
- Measure  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}$
- Examine other processes, e.g.,  $pp \rightarrow 4\text{jets}X$ ; is the extracted  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}$  roughly the same?



# Conclusions

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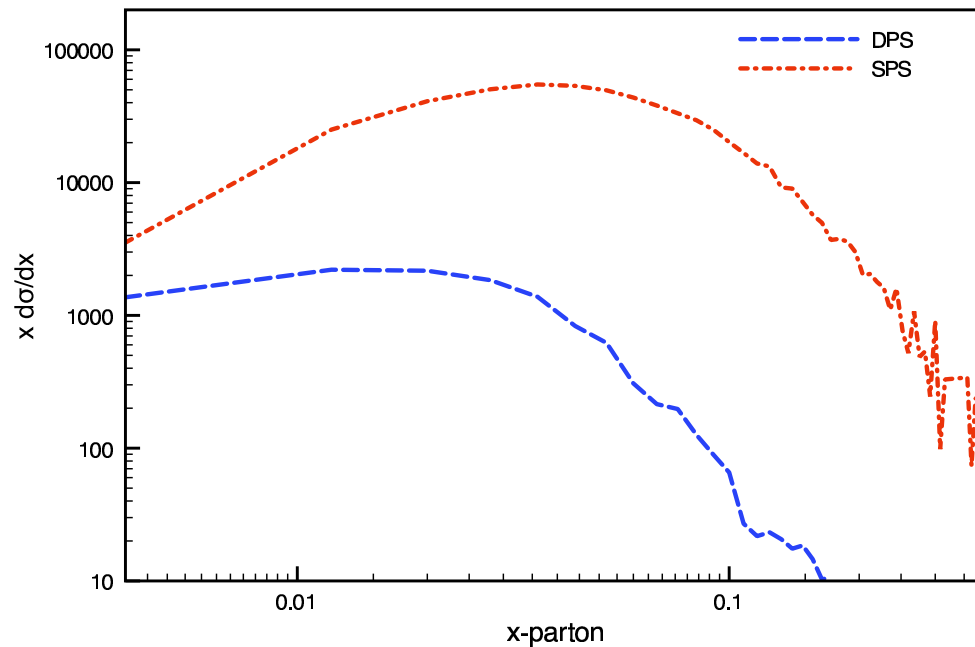
- Developed the phenomenology of double scattering for  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}jjX$  at LHC energies
- Identified distinct regions of phase space in which DPS should be relatively clean
- LHC operates in a different region of Bjorken  $x$  from the Tevatron: wider dynamic range provides opportunity to explore characteristics of DPS – factorization, process independence, ....
- Would be valuable to establish a DPS signal in early LHC runs and measure  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}$
- Once  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}$  is measured in a clean process, and dynamical features are established in a clean process (or two), then estimates can be made for possibly important backgrounds to Higgs and new physics processes



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# BACKUPS

# Parton $x$ values for DPS and SPS



- Distributions in the parton  $x$  values for DPS and SPS contributions to  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}jjX$  at LHC
- DPS events tend to have small values of  $x$  ( $x < 0.2$ )
- Momentum fraction carried by the beam remnant is  $1. - x_1 - x_2$  for DPS and  $1. - x$  in SPS: very similar

# Past searches for DPS

- Good to have a process with a large rate and relatively clean signal
- Early searches focussed on 4 jet and  $\gamma$  plus jets

Table 1: DPS analyses by AFS, UA2, and CDF Collaborations.

Experiment	$\sqrt{s}$ (GeV)	Final state	$p_T^{min}$ (GeV)	$\eta$ range	$\sigma_{\text{eff}}$
AFS ( $pp$ ), 1986	63	4 jets	$p_T^{\text{jet}} > 4$	$ \eta^{\text{jet}}  < 1$	$\sim 5$ mb
UA2 ( $p\bar{p}$ ), 1991	630	4 jets	$p_T^{\text{jet}} > 15$	$ \eta^{\text{jet}}  < 2$	$> 8.3$ mb (95% C.L.)
CDF ( $p\bar{p}$ ), 1993	1800	4 jets	$p_T^{\text{jet}} > 25$	$ \eta^{\text{jet}}  < 3.5$	$12.1^{+10.7}_{-5.4}$ mb
CDF ( $p\bar{p}$ ), 1997	1800	$\gamma + 3$ jets	$p_T^{\text{jet}} > 6$ $p_T^\gamma > 16$	$ \eta^{\text{jet}}  < 3.5$ $ \eta^\gamma  < 0.9$	$14.5 \pm 1.7^{+1.7}_{-2.3}$ mb

- Wide range of values of  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}$
- Recent study by D0 of  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \gamma + \text{jets} + X$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV  
 $\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\text{ave}} = 16.4 \pm 0.3(\text{stat}) \pm 2.3(\text{syst})$  mb

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