

MC developments in small-x and diffraction

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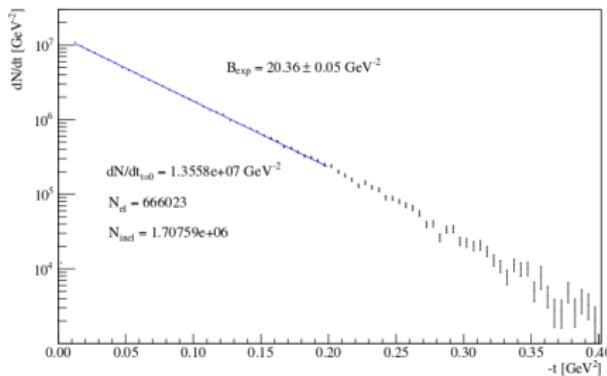
Introduction

Cross sections

- Optical theorem links the total cross section to the elastic scattering amplitude

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} \propto \text{Im}[\mathcal{A}_{\text{el}}(t \rightarrow 0)]$$

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \frac{16\pi(\hbar c)^2}{1 + \rho^2} \frac{1}{N_{\text{el}} + N_{\text{inel}}} \left. \frac{d\sigma_{\text{el}}}{dt} \right|_{t \rightarrow 0}$$



[TOTEM, Eur.Phys.J.C79(2019)no.2,103]

- Allows for a determination of the elastic slope parameter

$$\sigma_{\text{el}} \propto e^{-B|t|}$$

Cross section parametrization (Input for MC)

- Commonly used Donnachie-Landshoff parametrization
[Donnachie, Landshoff (1992)]

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{pp}(s) = \sigma_{\mathbb{P}} \left(\frac{s}{\text{GeV}^2} \right)^{\epsilon}$$

with $\sigma_{\mathbb{P}} = 21.7 \text{mb}$ and $\epsilon = 0.0808$ (soft pomeron)

- Extended by adding additional poles and branch-cuts in the complex plane

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{pp, \bar{p}p} = \sigma_{\mathbb{P}} \left(\frac{s}{\text{GeV}^2} \right)^{\epsilon} + \sigma_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\frac{s}{\text{GeV}^2} \right)^{-\eta}$$

with $\eta = 0.4525$ and $\sigma_{\mathbb{R}} = 56 \text{mb}(pp), 98 \text{mb}(p\bar{p})$

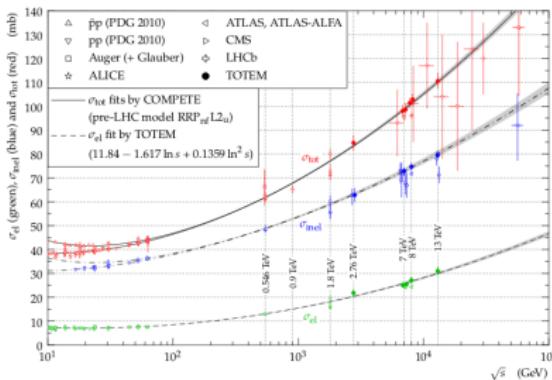
- Other parametrizations e.g implemented in Pythia¹:
 - COMPAS group [Chin. Phys. C40 (2016) no.10]
 - ABMST [Eur. Phys. J C76 (2016) no.10, 520]

¹[Rasmussen, Sjöstrand, Eur.Phys.J. C78 (2018) no.6, 461]

Cross section parametrization (Input for MC)

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

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} > \sigma_{\text{inel}} > \sigma_{\text{el}} > \sigma_{\text{SD}} > \sigma_{\text{DD}} > \sigma_{\text{CD}}$$



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- Satisfying description with 2-channel eikonal model [Khoze, Martin, Ryskin, Phys. Lett. B784(2018)192–198]

Theory (needed for later)

Froissart bound

Unitarity requirement of the total cross section leads to $\sigma_{\text{tot}} \leq \ln^2(s)$.
Proton behaves asymptotically like a black disc (black-disc limit)

Pomeranchuk Theorem

Cross sections for all scattering processes involving any charge exchange vanish asymptotically

→ At high energies processes with the exchange of vacuum quantum numbers dominate the cross section

Multi Parton Interactions

- No first principle approach to MPI
- Simulation and study of MPI with Monte Carlo Event Generators (Pythia, Sherpa, Herwig,...)
- Perturbative aspects important (hard MPI) but additional input needed:
 - ▶ Colour connection between different scattering centers?
 - ▶ Form of soft MPIs (low p_{\perp} interactions)?

Eikonal model

- Scattering amplitude in impact parameter space in the high energy limit reads

$$a(s, \mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{2i} \left[\exp \left(-\frac{-\Omega(s, \mathbf{b})}{2} - 1 \right) \right]$$

- Identify the parametrization with the eikonal function, then directly with the amplitude

$$\Omega(s, \mathbf{b}) \propto \sigma_{\mathbb{P}} \left(\frac{s}{\text{GeV}^2} \right)^{\epsilon} + \sigma_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\frac{s}{\text{GeV}^2} \right)^{\eta} + \dots$$

- Cross section remains finite no unitarity violation

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(s) = 2 \int d^2 \mathbf{b} [1 - \exp(-\frac{\Omega}{2})]$$

$$\sigma_{\text{el}}(s) = \int d^2 \mathbf{b} \left| \exp(-\frac{\Omega}{2}) \right|^2$$

$$\sigma_{\text{inel}}(s) = \sigma_{\text{tot}} - \sigma_{\text{el}} = \int d^2 \mathbf{b} [1 - \exp(-\Omega)]$$

MPIs in Herwig

- Separate eikonal function of inelastic cross section in hard and soft part

$$\Omega_{\text{inel}} = \frac{1}{2} (A_{\text{hard}}(b, \mu) \sigma_{\text{hard}}^{\text{inc}}(s, p_{\perp}^{\min}) + A_{\text{soft}}(b, \mu_{\text{soft}}) \sigma_{\text{soft}}^{\text{inc}}(s))$$

- σ_{soft} is determined such that $\sigma_{\text{tot}}(\text{DL})$ is reproduced
- Number of additional interactions

$$\langle N_{\text{hard}} \rangle = A_{\text{hard}} \sigma_{\text{hard}}^{\text{inc}}(s, p_{\perp}^{\min})$$

$$\langle N_{\text{soft}} \rangle = A_{\text{soft}} \sigma_{\text{soft}}^{\text{inc}}(s)$$

- No relation to diffraction → Need additional framework (e.g. Good-Walker States)

Good-Walker States

- Physical states $|\Psi_j\rangle$ can be written as sums of the diffractive eigenstates $|\Phi_i\rangle$

$$|\Psi_j\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_{ij} |\Phi_i\rangle$$

- Assume states are orthogonal and normalized \rightarrow unitary α_{ij} matrix
- For the elastic scattering amplitude follows

$$\langle \Psi | T | \Psi \rangle = \sum_i |\alpha_{1i}|^2 T_i = \langle T \rangle$$

$$\sigma_{\text{el}} \propto \langle T \rangle^2$$

and diffractive production of any other state $|\Psi_{k \neq 1}\rangle$

$$\langle \Psi_k | T | \Psi \rangle = \sum_i \alpha_{1i} \alpha_{ik}^* T_i$$

$$\sum_k \langle \Psi | T | \Psi_k \rangle \langle \Psi_k | T | \Psi \rangle = \dots = \langle T^2 \rangle$$

$$\sigma_{\text{diff}} \propto \langle T^2 \rangle - \langle T \rangle^2$$

Good-Walker States

- Eikonal must be expressed in terms of the eigenstates that scatter
- Diffractive cross sections with eigenstate dependent eikonals Ω_{ik}

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\sigma_{\text{el+SD}}(Y)}{dt} = & \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{i,j,k} |\alpha_i|^2 |\alpha_j|^2 |\alpha_k|^2 \\ & \times \int d^2 \mathbf{b} \exp(i \mathbf{q}_\perp \mathbf{b}) [1 - \exp(-\Omega_{ik}(Y, \mathbf{b}))] \\ & \times \int d^2 \mathbf{b}' \exp(i \mathbf{q}_\perp \mathbf{b}') [1 - \exp(-\Omega_{jk}(Y, \mathbf{b}'))]\end{aligned}$$

- More in Christine Rasmussen's talk

Small- x physics

Small-x overview²

- What is the **high-energy asymptotic description of QCD?**
- BFKL equation: describes high energy behaviour of pQCD for small x
- Solution to BFKL equation

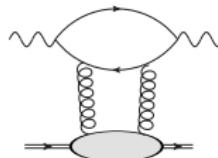
$$\sigma \sim s^{\text{const} \alpha_s}$$

- Violates unitarity bound (Froissart bound $\sigma \leq \ln^2(s)$)
- Corrections to BFKL equation at high energy to restore unitarity (BK/JIMWLK)
- PDFS at small-x grow with $\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow$ enormous density of quarks and gluons leads to saturation
- High density proton/nucleus \rightarrow implications for MPI (more MPIS)

²Follows book [Quantum Chromodynamics at High Energies (Kovchegov, Levin)]

Small-x basics

- From DIS($\gamma^* A/\gamma^* p$) at small- $x \rightarrow$ gluon exchange in t-channel dominates via quark loop virtual photon fluctuates into $q\bar{q}$ long before the interactions \rightarrow **dipole interaction**



- DIS cross section at small- x :

$$\sigma_{T,L}^{\gamma^* A}(x, Q^2) = \int \frac{d^2 x_\perp}{4\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z(1-z)} |\Psi_{T,L}^{\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(\mathbf{x}_\perp, z)|^2 \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{q\bar{q}A}(\mathbf{x}_\perp, Y)$$

- DIS structure functions:

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = \frac{Q^2}{4\pi^2 \alpha_{\text{em}}} \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\gamma^* A}$$

$$2xF_1(x, Q^2) = \frac{Q^2}{4\pi^2 \alpha_{\text{em}}} \sigma_T^{\gamma^* A}$$

\rightarrow **Need to calculate** $\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{q\bar{q}A}$ and $\sigma_{T,L}^{\gamma^* A}$!

Small-x basics

- Rewrite the cross section as

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{q\bar{q}A}(\mathbf{x}_\perp, Y) = 2 \int d^2\mathbf{b}_\perp [1 - \text{Re}[S(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp, Y)]]$$

where

$$S(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp, Y) = 1 + iA(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp, Y)$$

- Define imaginary part of A by $N = \text{Im}[A]$ s.t.:

$$N(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp, Y) = 1 - S(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp, Y)$$

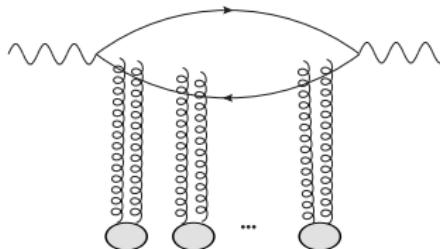
$$\rightarrow \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{q\bar{q}A}(\mathbf{x}_\perp, Y) = 2 \int d^2\mathbf{b}_\perp N(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp, Y)$$

Small- x basics

- DIS 2 gluon exchange at LO:

$$N_{\text{LO}}(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{b}, Y) = \frac{\pi \alpha_s^2 C_F}{N_c} T(\mathbf{b}_\perp) \mathbf{x}_\perp^2 \ln\left(\frac{1}{\mathbf{x}_\perp \Lambda}\right)$$

- Valid for $\mathbf{x}_\perp < 1/\Lambda \rightarrow$ perturbative dipole!
- $T(\mathbf{b}_\perp)$: Nuclear profile function
- **Problem:** increase transverse distance between quarks \mathbf{x}_\perp and N_{LO} violates black-disc limit!
- **Solution:** Multiple interactions of the $q\bar{q}$ dipole with the target (p, A)



Small- x basics

- Diagrams need to be resummed [Mueller 1990]
- exponentiation of N_{LO}

$$N(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp, Y = 0) = 1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha_s^2 C_F}{N_c} T(\mathbf{b}_\perp) \mathbf{x}_\perp^2 \ln \frac{1}{x_\perp \Lambda}\right\} \quad (1)$$

- Define saturation scale: $Q_s^2(\mathbf{b}_\perp) = \frac{4\pi\alpha_s^2 C_F}{N_c} T(\mathbf{b}_\perp)$

Gribov-Glauber-Mueller (GGM) formula

$$N(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp, Y = 0) = 1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{4} \mathbf{x}_\perp^2 Q_s^2(\mathbf{b}_\perp) \ln \frac{1}{x_\perp \Lambda}\right\} \quad (2)$$

- As $\mathbf{x}_\perp \rightarrow 0$, $N \rightarrow 0$ (dipoles very close and colours cancel which means no interaction with target) ("Colour Transparency")
- As $\mathbf{x}_\perp \rightarrow \infty$, $N \rightarrow 1$
- Saturation region: $1/Q_s \leq x_\perp \ll 1/\Lambda$

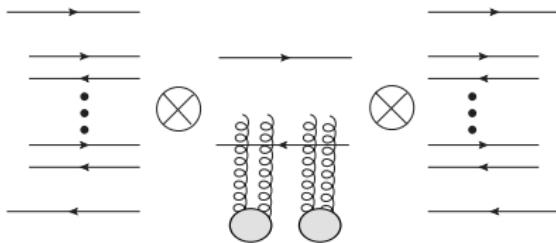
Small- x basics

- **Problem:** Amplitude N_{LO} (GGM formula) does not depend on CME or Y
- Also need to calculate radiative corrections (come in with factor of $\alpha_s \ln 1/x$)
- $\alpha_s \ll 1$ (pQCD regime) compensated by $\ln(1/x) \gg 1$
 $\rightarrow \alpha_s \ln(1/x) \sim 1$
- **Muellers Dipole Model**³ :Original dipole splits and turns into dipole cascade (interaction between different dipoles N_C suppressed)
- Resum infinite cascade of gluons (large N_C limit, only planar diagrams, gluons=dipoles)
- Each dipole of the cascade interacts via the GGM multiple scatterings

³MC implementation of Muellers dipole model → Christine Rasmussen's Talk

Small-x basics

- Original dipole turns into a dipole cascade
- Need to sum up a cascade of dipoles each interacting independently with the GGM multiple scatterings



- Explicit calculation leads to evolution equation of the dipole scattering amplitude

BK equation [Balitsky(1996,1999)Kovchegov(1999,2000)]

$$\frac{\partial N(\mathbf{x}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{0\perp}, Y)}{\partial Y} = \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi} \int d^2 x_2 \frac{x_{10}^2}{x_{20}^2 x_{21}^2} [N(\mathbf{x}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{2\perp}, Y)$$

$$+ N(\mathbf{x}_{2\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{0\perp}, Y) - N(\mathbf{x}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{0\perp}, Y) - N(\mathbf{x}_{1\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{2\perp}, Y) N(\mathbf{x}_{2\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{0\perp}, Y)]$$

Small-x basics

- Initial conditions for BK evolution at $Y = 0$ from GGM formula
- Now can calculate DIS structure functions of protons and nuclei at small-x:
- Solve BK equation with initial conditions at $Y = 0 \rightarrow N$
- Use resulting amplitude N for
$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{q\bar{q}A}(\mathbf{x}_\perp, Y) = 2 \int d^2\mathbf{b} N(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{b}_\perp, Y) \text{ and } \sigma_{TL}^{\gamma^* A}$$
- Calculate structure functions F_1 and F_2

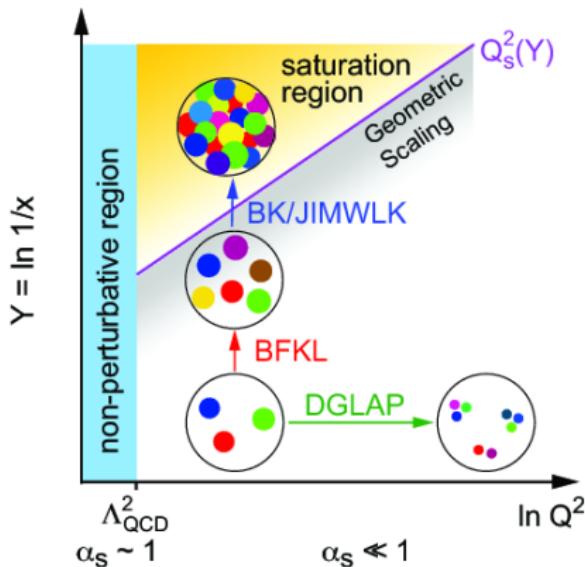
Small- x : Unitarity and Saturation

- Neglect quadratic term in BK equation \rightarrow BFKL equation in dipole form
- Quadratic term becomes important for very small- x
- Quadratic term accounts for saturation effects at large N_c
- BK equation does not violate unitarity
- Saturation scale ($Q_s(Y)$) as transition point between region where N grows with \mathbf{x}_\perp and $N = \text{const}$

$$Q_s(Y) \approx Q_s(0) e^{2.44 \frac{\alpha_s N_c Y}{\pi}}$$

- Saturation scale grows with Y
- Saturated gluonic matter: Colour Glass Condensate (CGC)

Small-x: Unitarity and Saturation



From [Cyrille Marquet, 1212.3482]

- Study high energy asymptotics of QCD \rightarrow small- x evolution equations (BFKL/BK)
- More in EIC talk from Elke-Caroline Aschenauer (next talk)

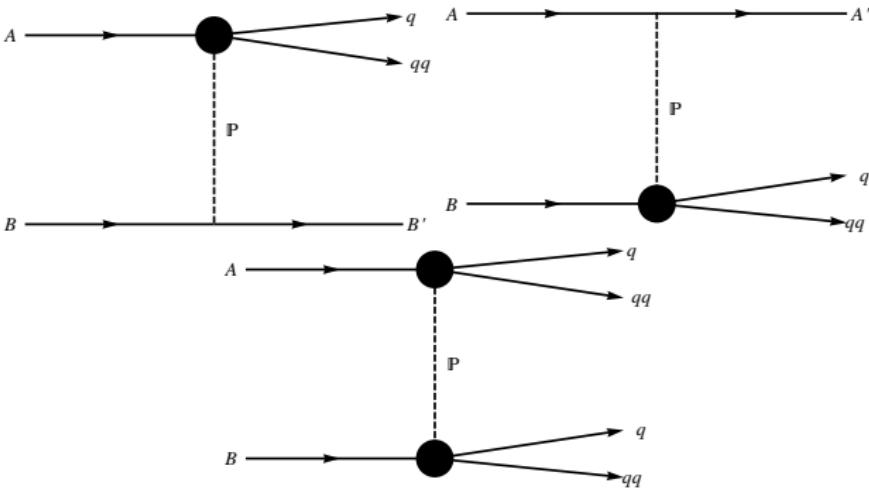
Diffraction

Diffraction

- Diffraction depends on experimental definition: rapidity gaps ($\Delta\eta$) measurements
- MPIs can destroy experimental signatures of diffraction
- Rapidity gaps get contributions from MPI
- Colour reconnection effects?

Model for soft diffraction in Herwig

- Soft diffraction (small p_{\perp}) in Herwig by modelling it with the following matrix elements



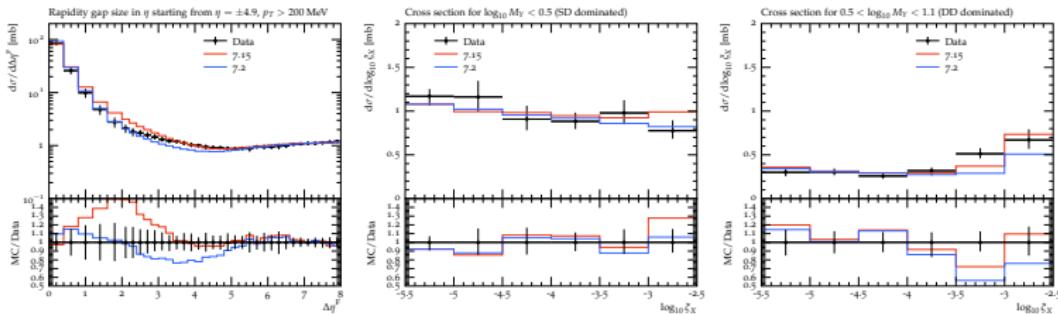
- Final state treated fully non-perturbatively - Quark (q) and diquark (qq) form a cluster with diffractive mass M and stretched along the direction of the dissociated proton

Diffraction

- Combine existing MPI model with diffraction
- DiffractionRatio: fraction of diffractive cross section w.r.t non-diffractive cross section
- Modifies cross sections of hard and soft MPIs in the eikonal model s.t σ_{tot} is reproduced after eikonalization
- Tunable parameter
- Every event either diffractive or non-diffractive

Tuning and results

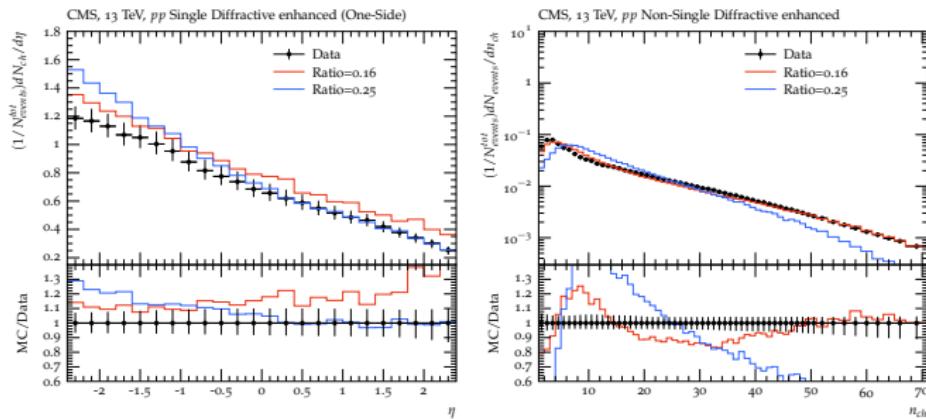
- Tune DiffractionRatio to sensible data ($\Delta\eta$, SD,DD dominated cross sections)
- Data at 7 TeV: DiffractionRatio= 0.257 ($\sigma_{\text{Diff}} \approx 17\text{mb}$)
- Data at 13 TeV: DiffractionRatio= 0.167 ($\sigma_{\text{Diff}} \approx 14\text{mb}$)
- No dedicated diffractive measurements at 13 TeV: large uncertainty on diffraction



[ATLAS, Eur.Phys.J. C72 (2012) 1926] [ALICE, Eur.Phys.J. C73 (2013) no.6, 2456]

Tuning and results

- Fix DiffractionRatio to 7 TeV measurement and tune remaining MPI parameters
- Diffraction at 13 TeV not well constrained



[CMS, Phys.Lett. B751 (2015) 143-163]

Summary

- Overview about MPI, small-x physics and diffraction
- Many interesting talks this week!
- Dedicated 13 TeV diffraction measurements needed