

Comparison of pp and $p\bar{p}$ elastic differential cross sections of TOTEM and D0 experiments

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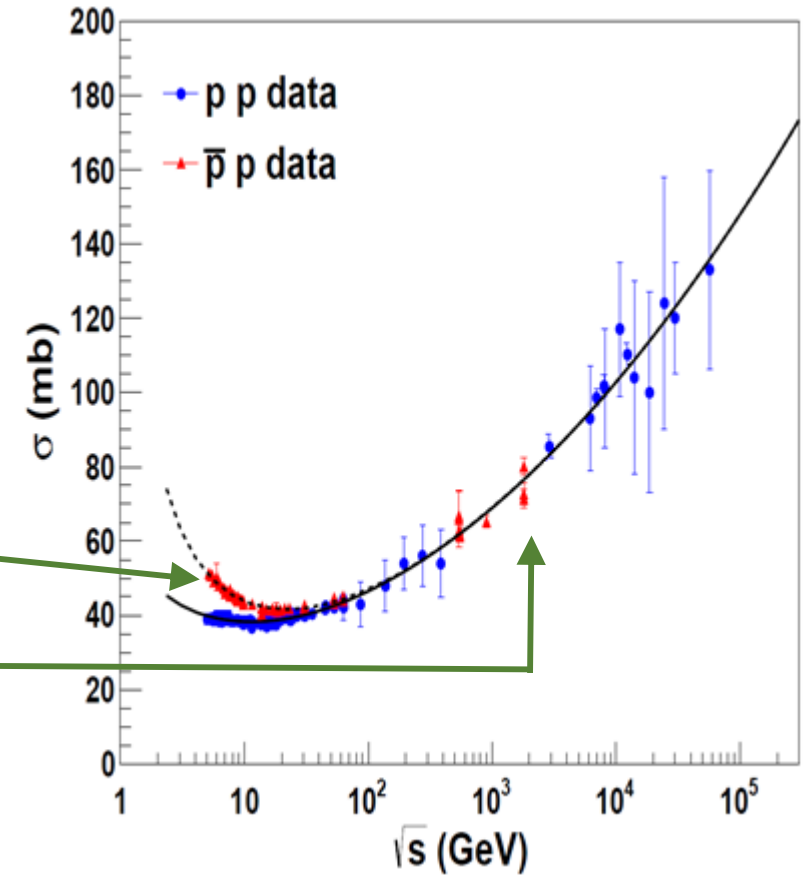
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The Odderon

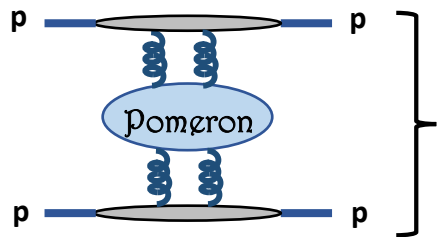
Regge Theory: doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-016-4585-8

At high energies, the poles in the complex angular momentum plane contribute to the scattering amplitude with $A_j(s, t) \sim (s/s_0)^{\alpha_j(t)}$

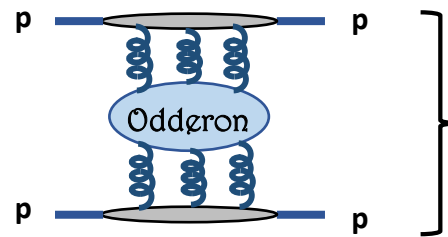
- Regge Trajectory: $\alpha_j(t) = \alpha_j(0) + \alpha'_j t$; $s_0 = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Optical Theorem: $\sigma_{tot} = \frac{1}{s} \text{Im}(A(s, t=0)) \rightarrow \sigma_{tot} \sim (s/s_0)^{\alpha_j(0)-1}$
- ρ, ω, f Regge Trajectories: $\alpha(0) \approx 0.5 \rightarrow \sigma_{tot} \sim (s/s_0)^{-0.5}$
- A trajectory with $\alpha(0) = 1 + \varepsilon$ ($\varepsilon > 0$) is needed to explain the rise of the total cross section \rightarrow **Pomeron trajectory**, with $C=+1$ (contributes equally to pp and $p\bar{p}$ scattering).
- A trajectory with $\alpha(0) \approx 1$ with $C=-1$ is also possible \rightarrow **Odderon** ([Lukaszuk&Nicolescu, 1973](#)) (contributes oppositely to pp and $p\bar{p}$ scattering).



Non-perturbative QCD: [/hep-ph/0306137.pdf](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0306137)



Pomeron = t-channel exchange of a colorless 2-gluon bound state (at leading order).



Odderon = t-channel exchange of a colorless 3-gluon bound state (at leading order).

It is easier to make colorless 2-gluon states than colorless 3-gluon states

$$\Rightarrow |A_P| \gg |A_O|$$

P, O exchange in s-channel corresponds to glueballs of 2, 3 gluons, respectively.

See talk on glueballs by Prof. Felipe Llanes-Estrada

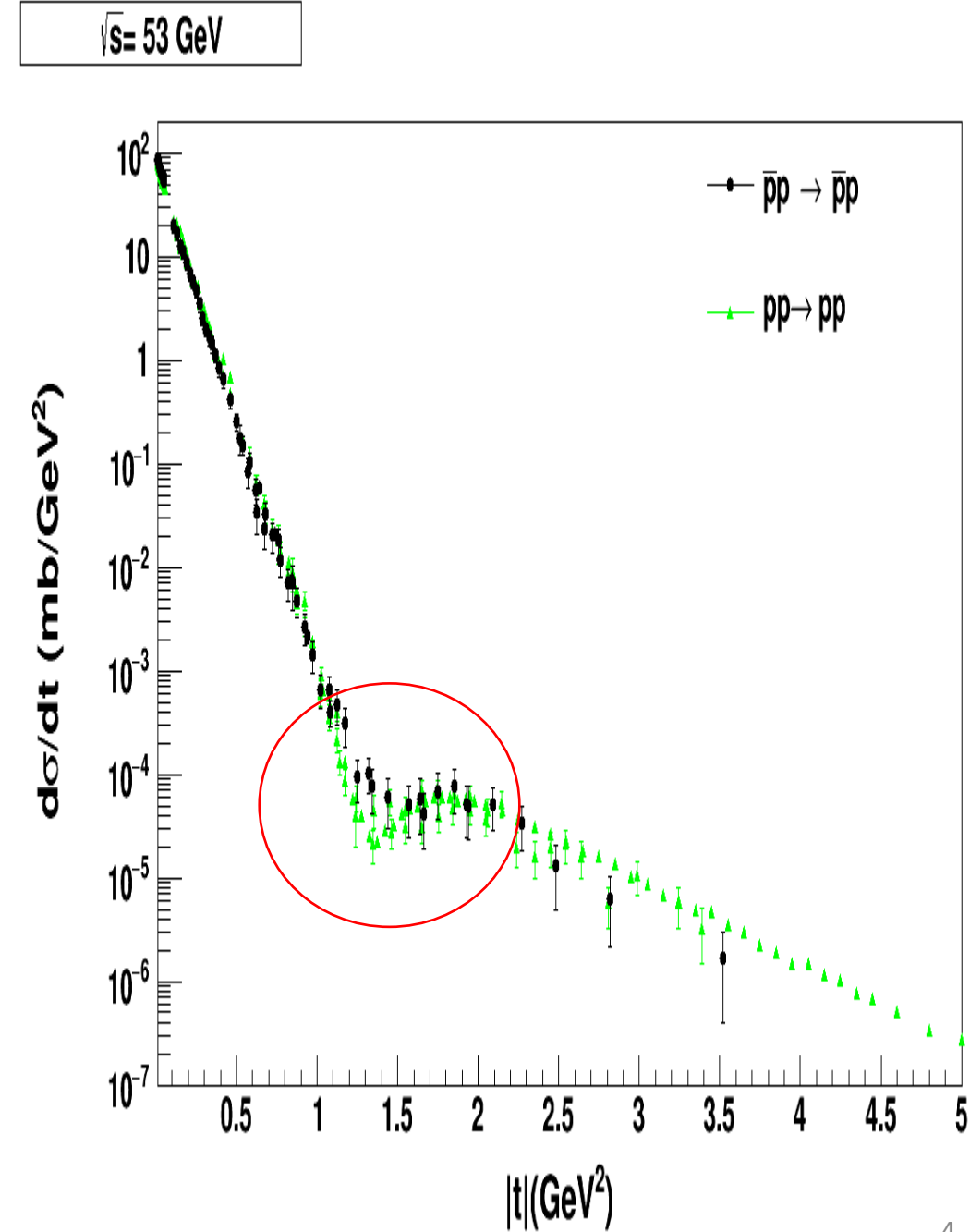
Observables for Odderon effects

At high energies:

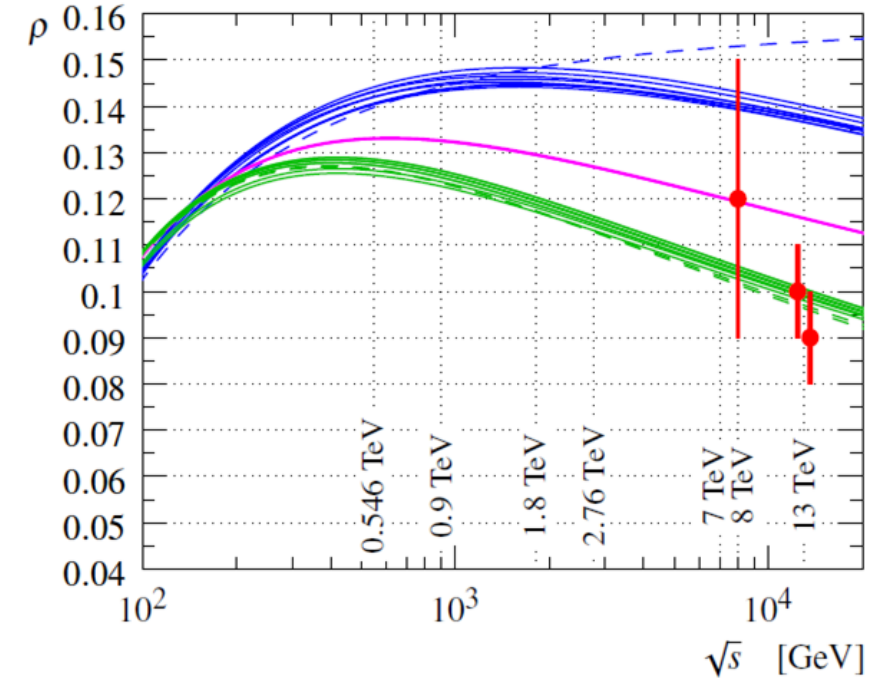
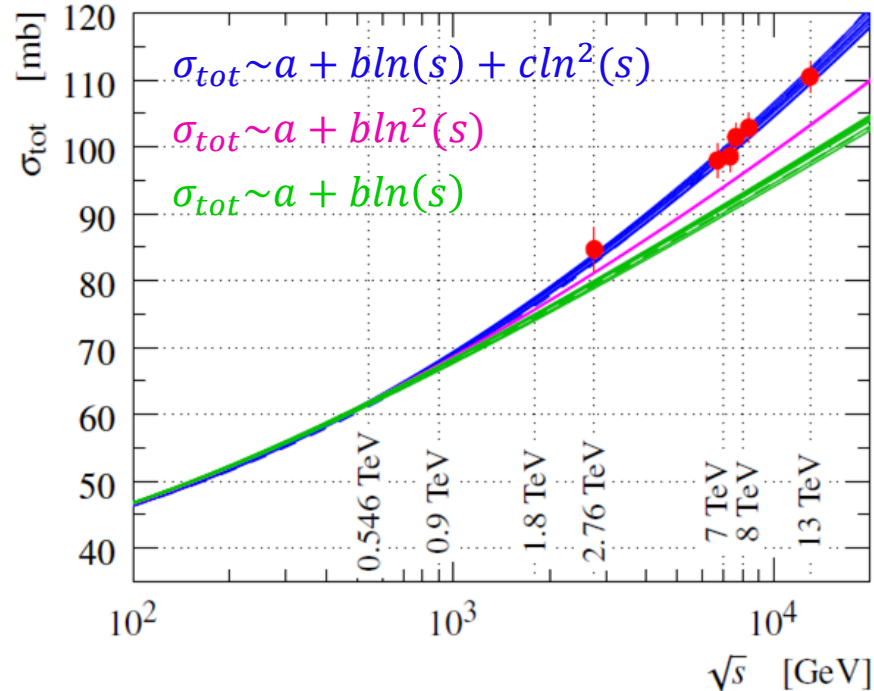
$$\frac{d\sigma_{pp}}{dt} = |A_P(s, t) + A_O(s, t)|^2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{p\bar{p}}}{dt} = |A_P(s, t) - A_O(s, t)|^2$$

- Differences in pp and $p\bar{p}$ elastic $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}$ could become observable when A_P is small \rightarrow around the diffraction minimum.
- Some differences in pp and $p\bar{p}$ elastic $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}$, at 3σ level, have been observed at $\sqrt{s} = 53$ GeV ([Breakstone et al, 1985](#)). Given the low CM energy, still there are non-negligible contributions from meson Regge trajectories, so any conclusion about existence of the Odderon cannot be made.
- A_P is mostly imaginary at low values of t , dominating σ_{tot} over A_O which is mostly real.
- The evolution of ρ and σ_{tot} with \sqrt{s} , $\rho = \frac{Re\{A(s, t=0)\}}{Im\{A(s, t=0)\}}$, is also useful to determine Odderon effects ([TOTEM Collaboration, 2019](#)).



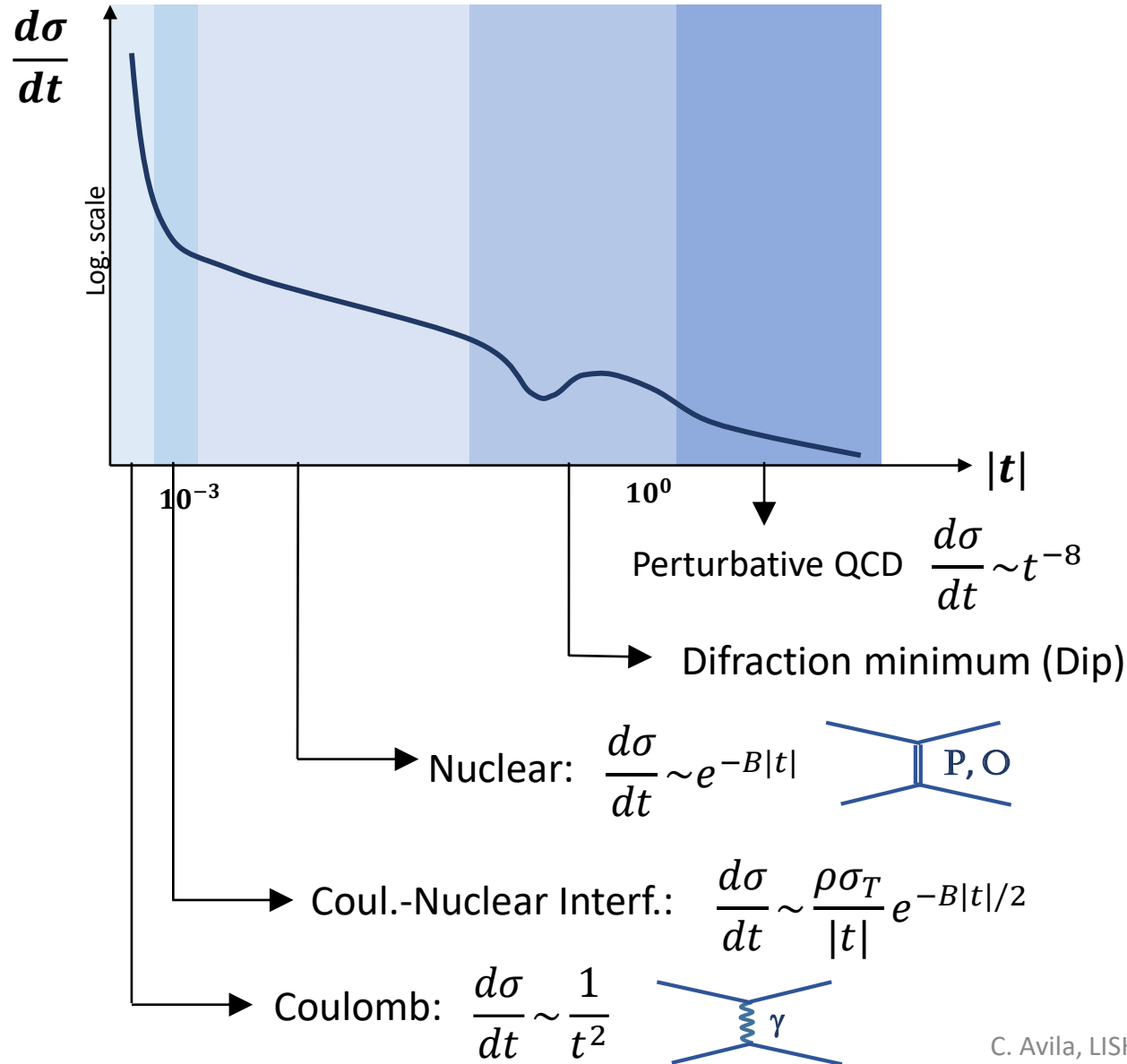
Evolution of ρ and σ_{tot} with energy



- With a high β optics ($\beta = 2.5$ km) at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, TOTEM reached very low $|t|$ values ($|t| \sim 8 \times 10^{-4}$ GeV²) that allowed a precise measurement of ρ : $\rho = 0.09 \pm 0.01$.
- None of the 256 Pomeron-only models studied by the [COMPETE Collaboration](#), nor [Durham](#), nor [Block-Halzen](#) describe simultaneously the ensemble of σ_{tot} and ρ data measured by the TOTEM experiment.
- Additional C=-1 amplitude is needed to explain the evolution of σ_{tot} and ρ with \sqrt{s} , with a significance of 3.4 – 4.6 σ for the range of models.

$pp - p\bar{p}$ elastic scattering at TeV energies

General structure of elastic $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}$:



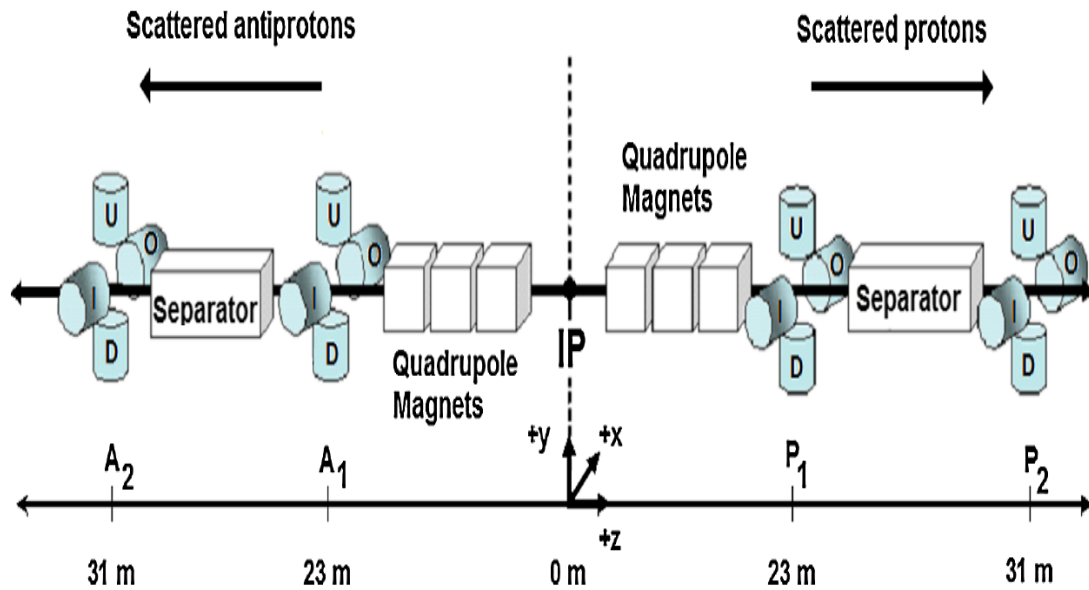
$$t = -4p^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \approx -p^2\theta^2$$

- Very small scattering angles have to be reached:

\sqrt{s} (TeV)	$\theta_{interf.}$ (μrad)
1.96	~ 16
13.0	~ 2

- Need to locate detectors as far as possible to the interaction point and as close as possible to the particle beam axis \rightarrow Use Roman pots & special high β accelerator optics.
- Measured coordinates of scattered protons (or antiprotons) with respect to beam axis to reconstruct scattering angle and t (precise understanding of particle transport between IP and roman pots is crucial).
- Measure number of elastic pp ($p\bar{p}$) events as function of t , correcting for acceptance and efficiencies, and normalize to integrated luminosity to obtain $d\sigma/dt$.

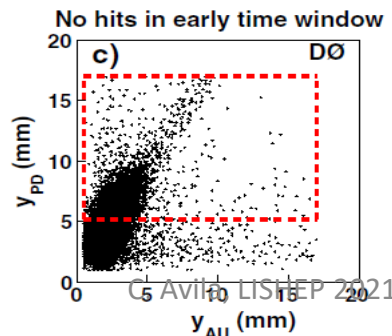
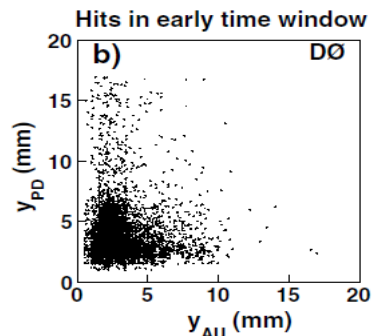
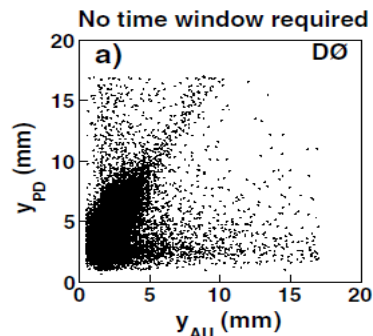
Measurement of $p\bar{p}$ elastic $d\sigma/dt$ by D0 experiment



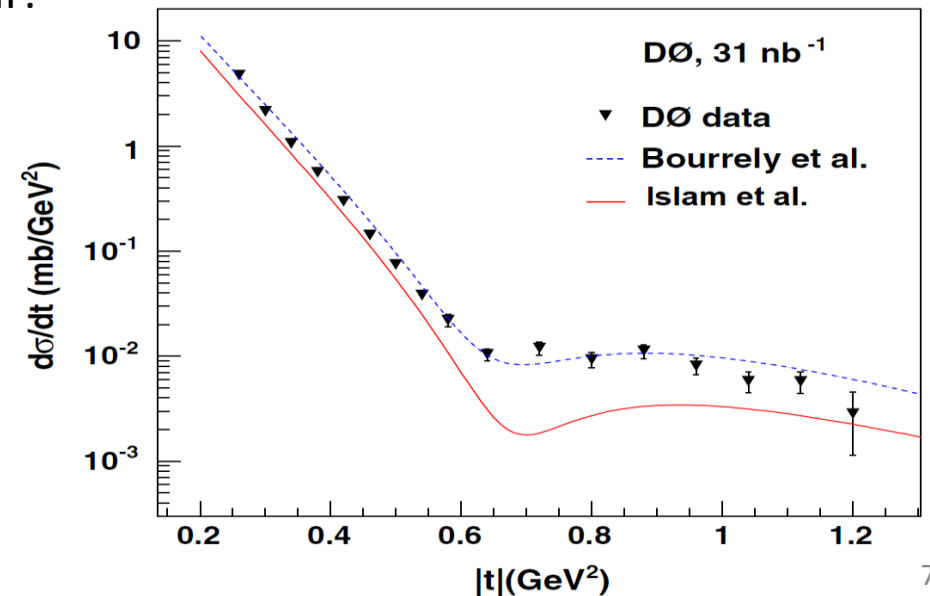
- Fiber scintillating detectors inside Roman pots (RP). →
- Use vertical RP's for measurement and horizontal RP's for alignment.
- Integrated luminosity recorded = 31 nb^{-1}
- Data taken with a Tevatron injection lattice ($\beta^* = 1.6 \text{ m}$)
- $|t|$ range covered: $0.26 < |t| < 1.2 \text{ GeV}^2$.

A better name should be Brazilian pots, since they were designed and constructed in Brazil!

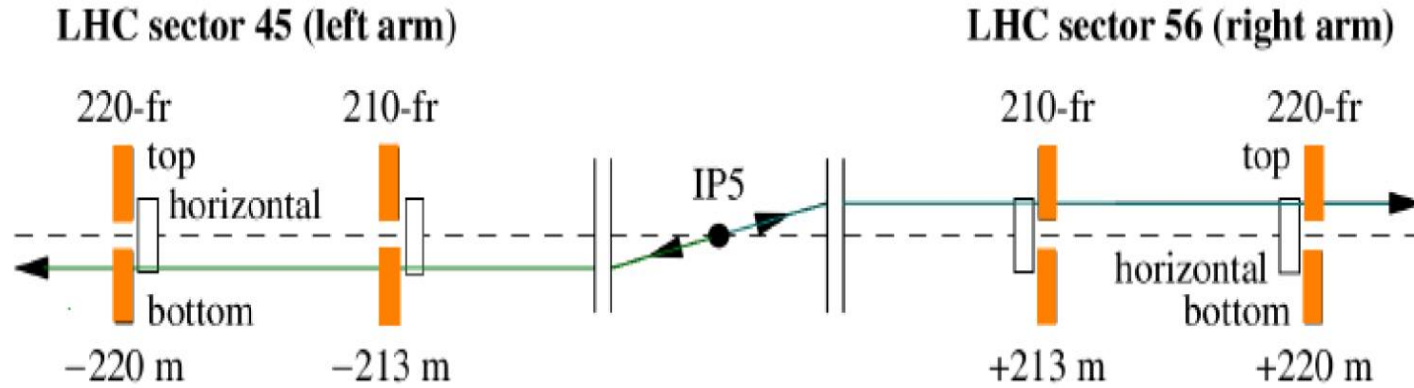
- Select elastic events with same θ , opposite ϕ and consistent timing from IP.
- Estimate backgrounds from data with timing consistent with beam halo.
- Reconstruct θ from detector coordinates and beam transport matrices.



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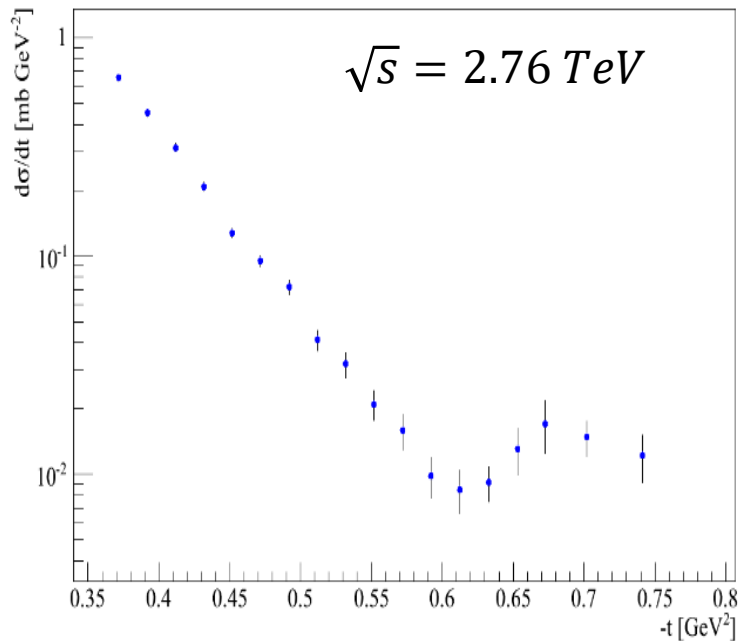


Measurements of pp elastic $d\sigma/dt$ by TOTEM experiment

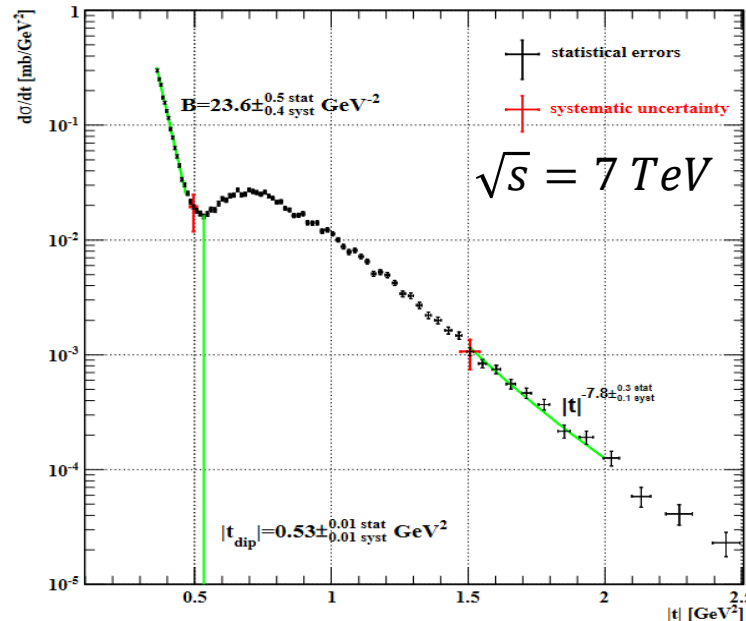


- Silicon strip detectors inside Roman pots (RP).
- Precise measurements of pp elastic $d\sigma/dt$ at 4 CM energies: 2.76, 7.0, 8.0 and 13.0 TeV.
- Data taken in different high β^* optics runs (3.5m, 11m, 90m, 2500 m).

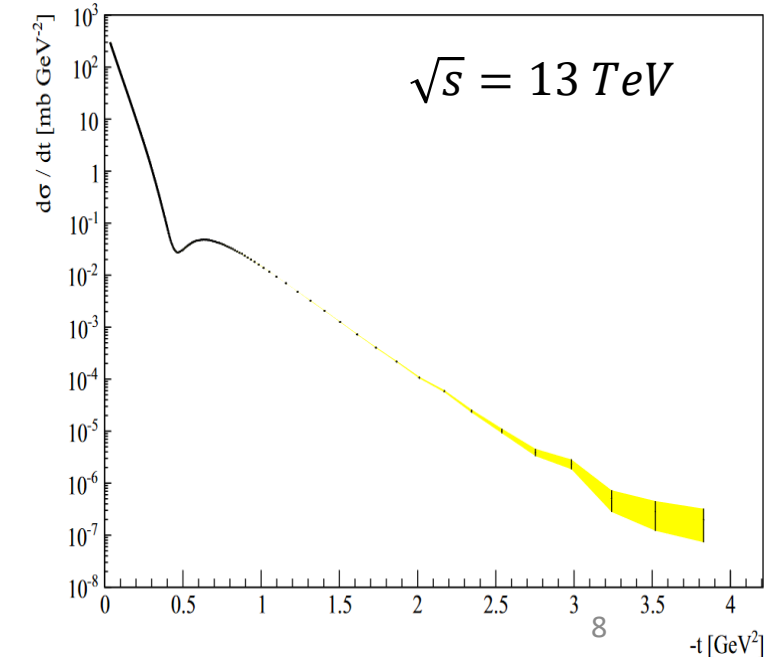
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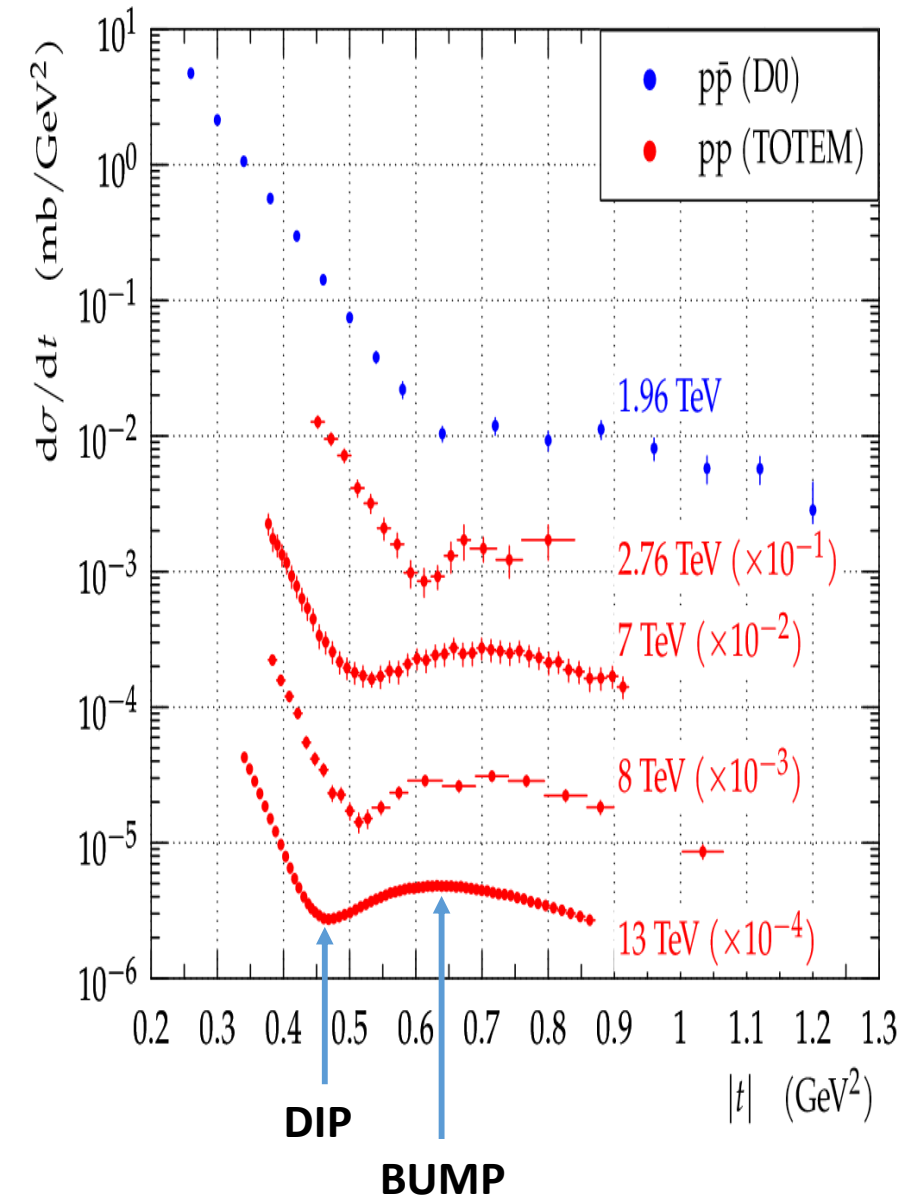
Comparison of pp and $p\bar{p}$ elastic $d\sigma/dt$ at TeV energies.

- TOTEM $d\sigma/dt$ data shows a diffractive minimum (dip) and a second diffraction maximum (bump), both moving towards lower $|t|$ values as energy increases.
- D0 $d\sigma/dt$ data has an inflection point at $|t| \approx 0.65$ with no clear diffraction local minimum.

Different strategies can be followed for a quantitative comparison :

1. **Make a direct comparison of 2.76 TeV pp data to 1.96 TeV $p\bar{p}$ data.** → Difficult to assess systematic uncertainties because the difference in energy.
2. **Fit TOTEM $d\sigma/dt$ measurements with a function inspired by a theory model and extrapolate parameters to 1.96 TeV.** → Difficult to quantify unknown uncertainties related to the model chosen.
3. **Perform a direct extrapolation of TOTEM $d\sigma/dt$ data to 1.96 TeV.** → There is a systematic uncertainty due to the extrapolation but allows for a more model-independent result.

We followed a variant of strategy 3.



Bump-over-dip ratio

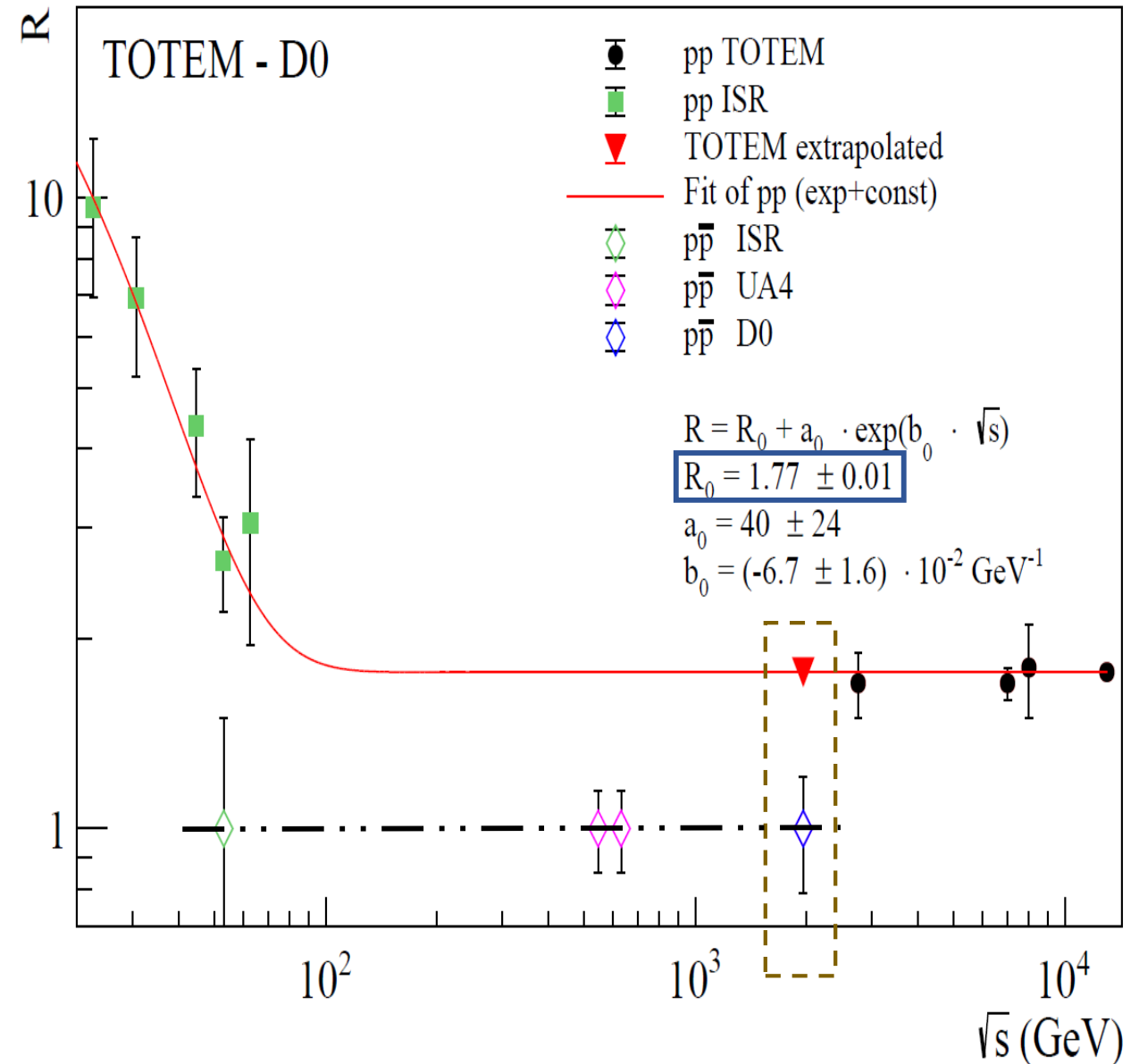
One simple way to quantify differences in pp and $p\bar{p}$ around the dip is by measuring the ratio:

$$R = \frac{\left. \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \right|_{t=t_{bump}}}{\left. \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \right|_{t=t_{dip}}}$$

- For pp collisions R decreases as a function of \sqrt{s} up to about 100 GeV and then seems to flatten out.

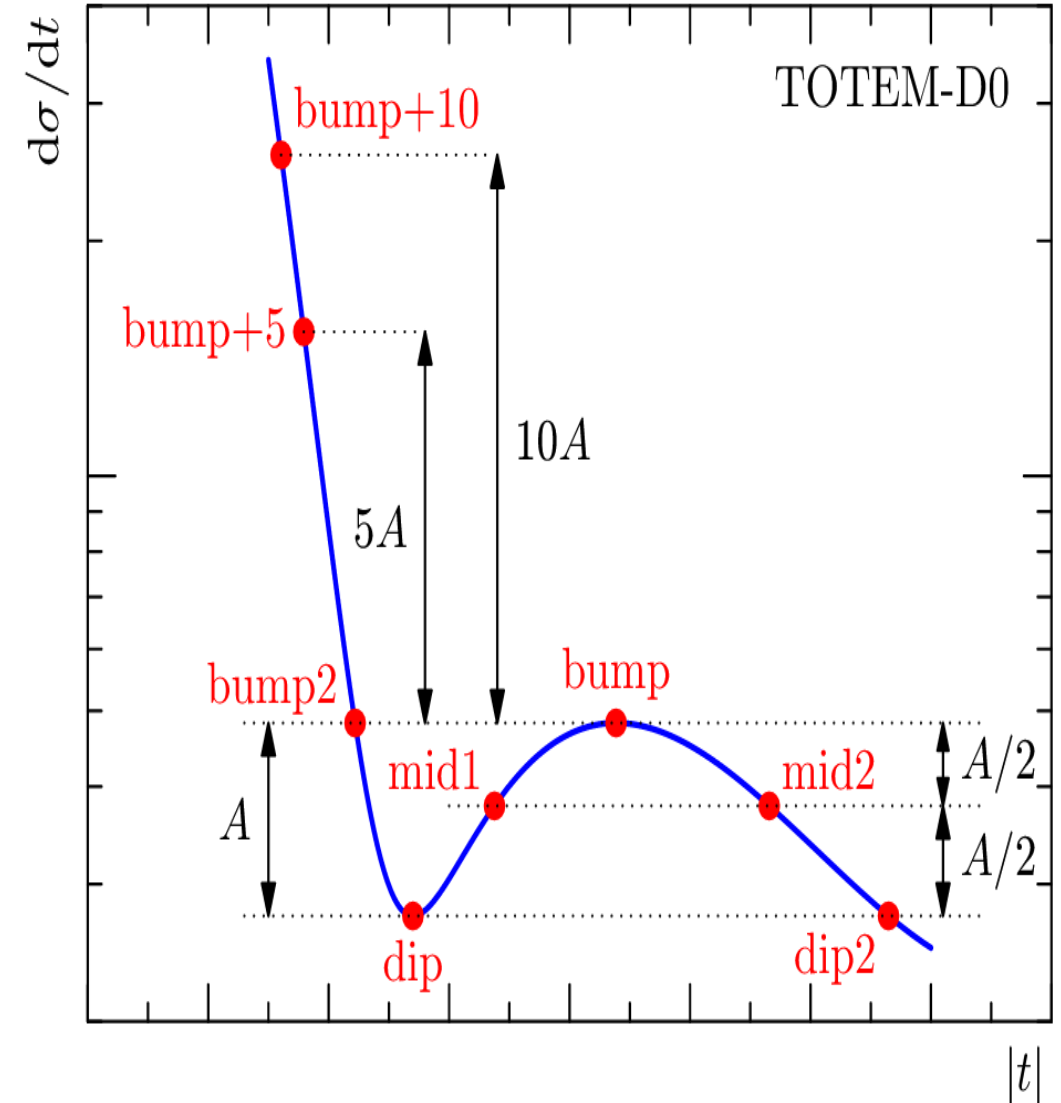
For D0 $d\sigma/dt$, no bump/dip is observed within uncertainties $\rightarrow R=1.0$, similar behavior is observed for lower energy $p\bar{p}$ data. For uncertainty, compute largest R in the neighborhood of the dip/bump locations expected for pp at 1.96 TeV.

- TOTEM extrapolated R value to $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV differs by more than 3σ with respect to D0 R value (assuming a flat behavior of R above $\sqrt{s} = 100$ GeV).



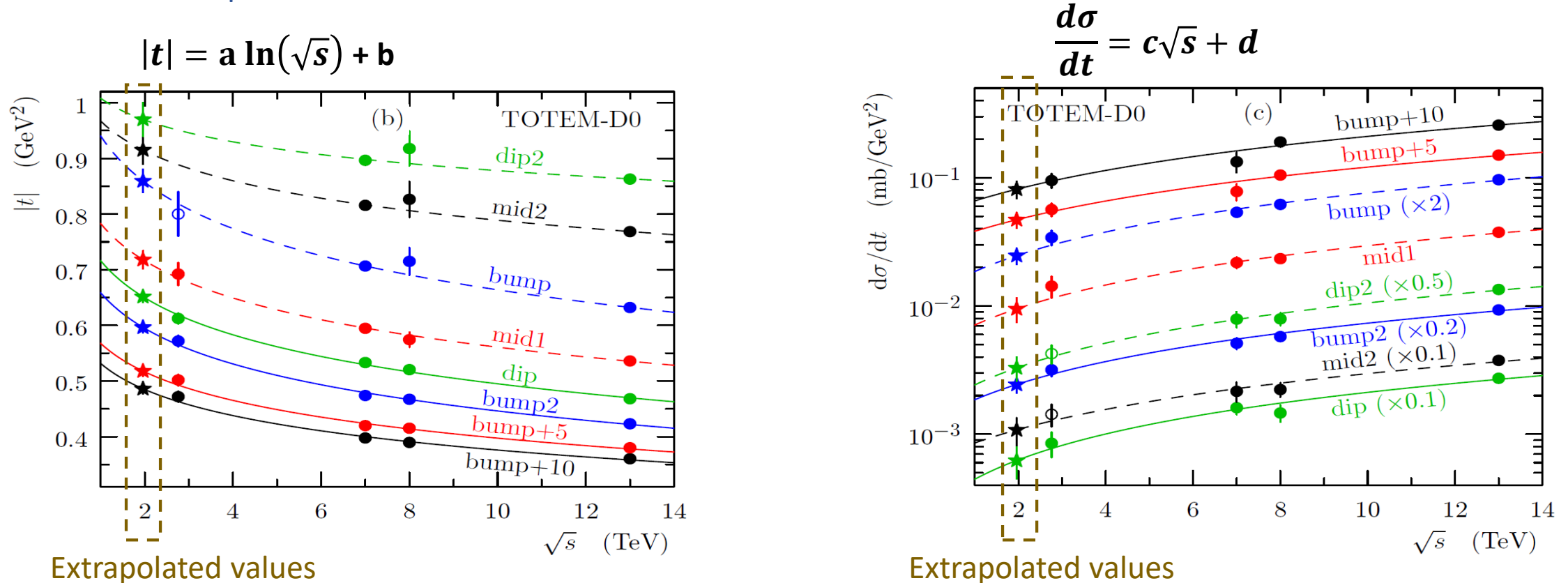
Characteristic points of pp $d\sigma/dt$

- A comparison of pp and $p\bar{p}$ $d\sigma/dt$ is restricted to the range $0.5 < |t| < 0.96 \text{ GeV}^2$, where there are data at all 5 TeV energies.
- Define 8 characteristic points of TOTEM pp $d\sigma/dt$ data that describe the features around the dip-bump region.
- To avoid any model-dependency in the study, the $|t|$ and $d\sigma/dt$ values of the characteristic points are directly used to determine how they vary as $\sqrt{s} \rightarrow$ data-driven comparison.
- Data bins are merged in case there are 2 adjacent $|t|$ bins with about same $d\sigma/dt$ value.



\sqrt{s} dependency of the pp characteristic points

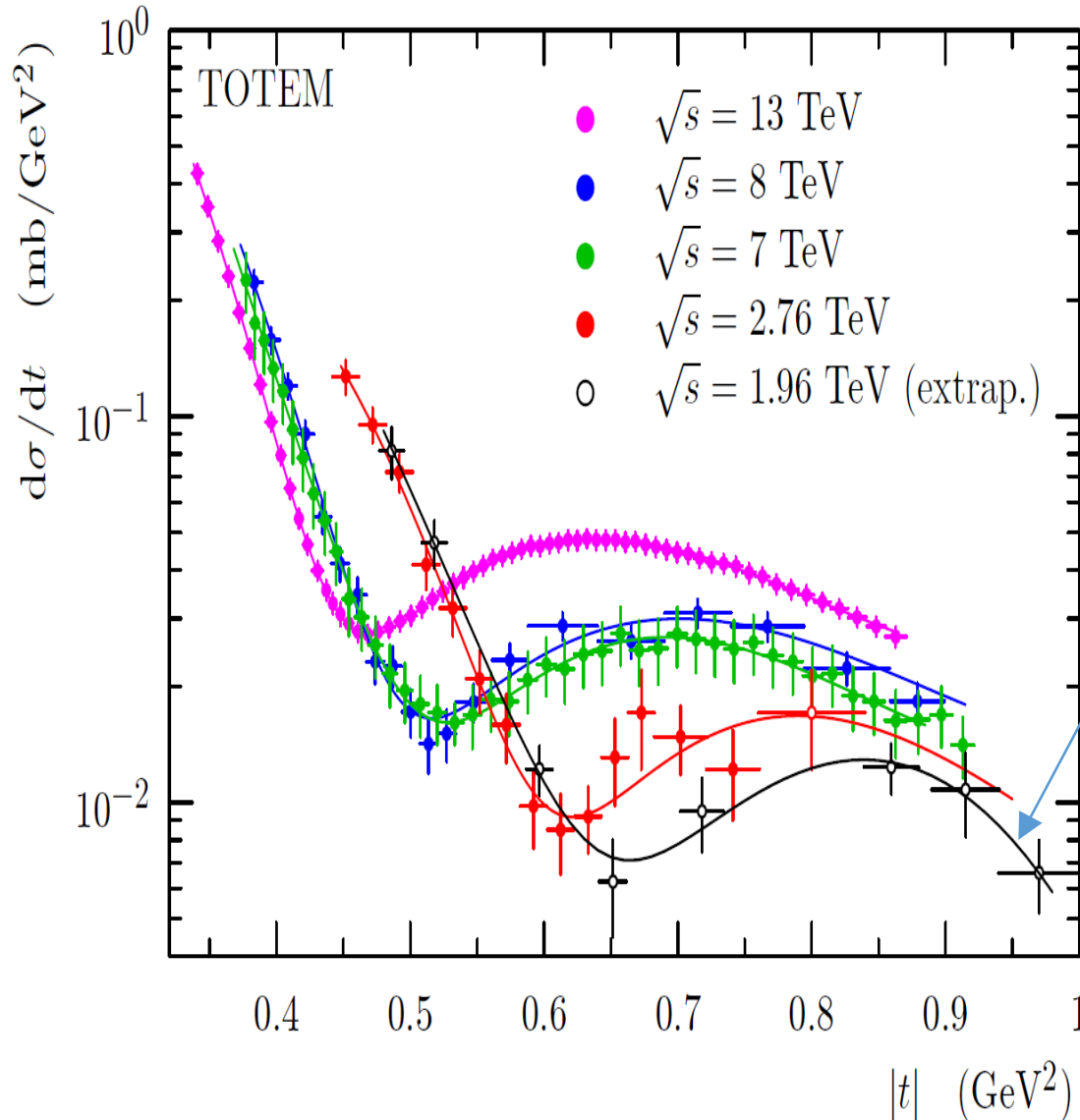
- TOTEM measurements for $\sqrt{s} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$ only reached $|t|$ values up to the bump. With 3 or 4 measured values we are restricted to a 2 parameter fit function:



- Extrapolations to 1.96 TeV are small: Only 8% of the energy range where the measurements were performed

Open symbols at $\sqrt{s} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$ are from definitions of the characteristic points or small extrapolations.

Interpolation of pp characteristic points at $\sqrt{s}=1.96$ TeV



- The 8 extrapolated $d\sigma/dt$ vs $|t|$ characteristic pp points need to be compared to D0 $p\bar{p}$ data points, which are at different $|t|$ values → An interpolation is needed.

- Use an empirical interpolation function ($\chi^2/dof = 0.63$):

$$h(t) = \underbrace{a_1 e^{-(b_1|t| + c_1|t|^2)}}_{\text{Describes } d\sigma/dt \text{ up to the dip, then has a steep falloff}} + \underbrace{a_2 e^{-(b_2|t| + c_2|t|^2 + c_3|t|^3)}}_{\text{Describes the bump and subsequent falloff}}$$

Describes $d\sigma/dt$ up to the dip, then has a steep falloff

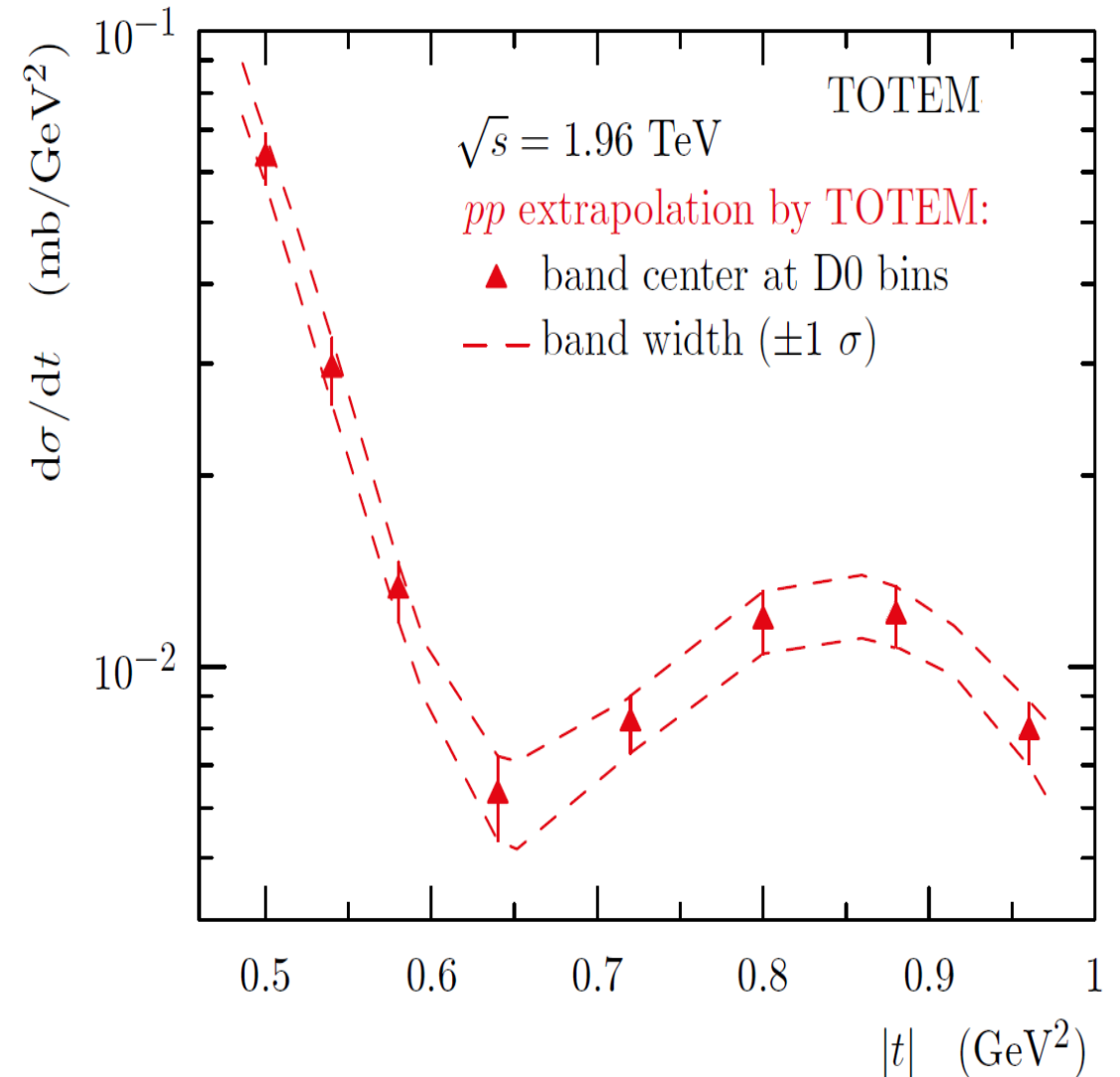
Describes the bump and subsequent falloff

- $h(t)$ fits well all TOTEM data in the dip/bump region at 2.76, 7, 8 and 13 TeV.

- Due to the interpolation, the values of $d\sigma/dt$ at neighboring $|t|$ values are correlated.

Uncertainties of extrapolated pp $d\sigma/dt$

- The pp extrapolation uncertainties are determined from MC ensembles:
 - The extrapolated x-sections of the 8 characteristic points are varied within their gaussian uncertainties.
 - Each MC varied distribution is fitted to the interpolation $h(t)$ function.
 - The gaussian spread obtained at each D0 $|t|$ value corresponds to the uncertainty in pp $d\sigma/dt$.



Normalization of $d\sigma/dt$

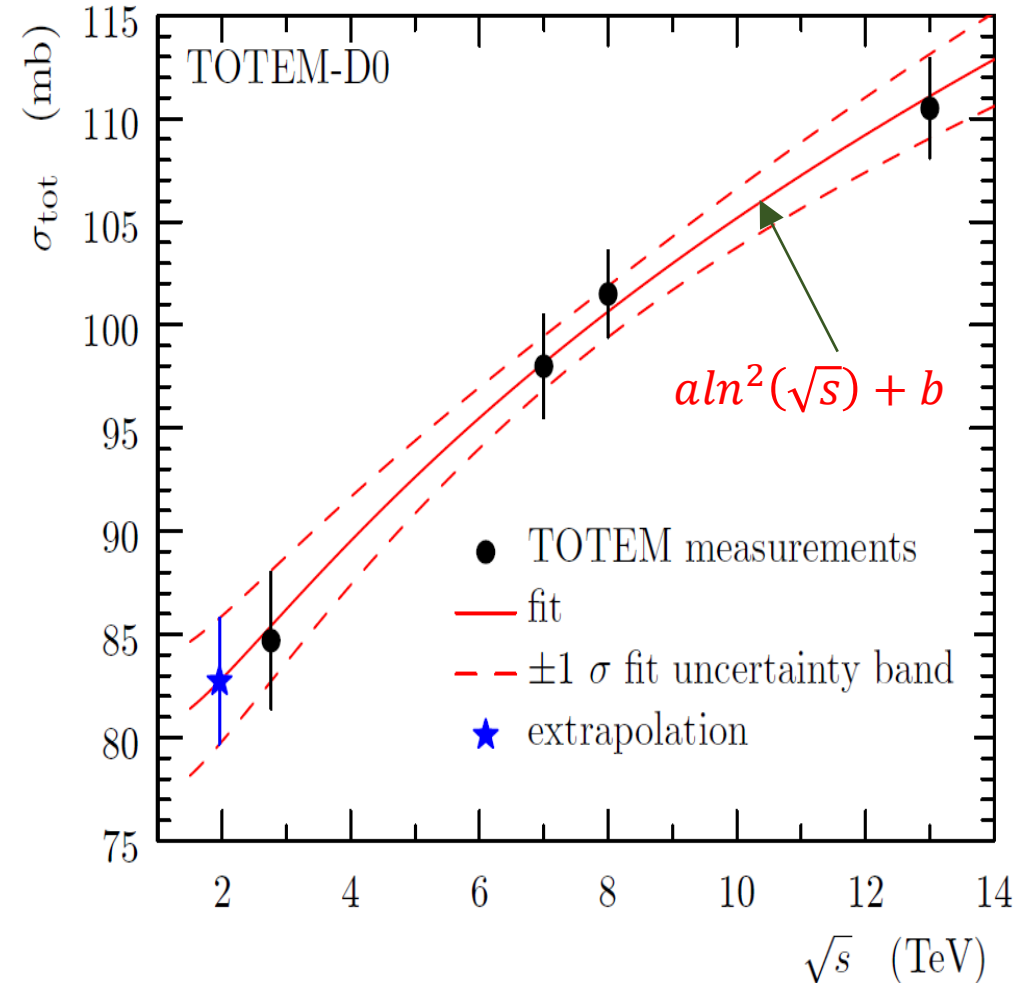
- We want a common normalization to compare the $d\sigma/dt$ shapes, so we scale the TOTEM $d\sigma/dt(t = 0)$ (optical point, OP) to agree with D0.

- D0 $d\sigma/dt$, before the dip, is fitted to $Ae^{-B|t|} \rightarrow A=341\pm 49$ mb/GeV²
- A small extrapolation of the TOTEM σ_{tot} data to 1.96 TeV is performed
- The optical theorem is then used to get $d\sigma/dt(t = 0)$ (using $\rho = 0.145$):

$$\sigma_{tot}^2 = \frac{16\pi(\hbar c)^2}{1 + \rho^2} \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \right)_{t=0} \rightarrow \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \right)_{t=0} = 357\pm 26 \text{ mb/GeV}^2$$

- Then, the extrapolated pp $d\sigma/dt$ is normalized by a factor of 0.954 ± 0.071

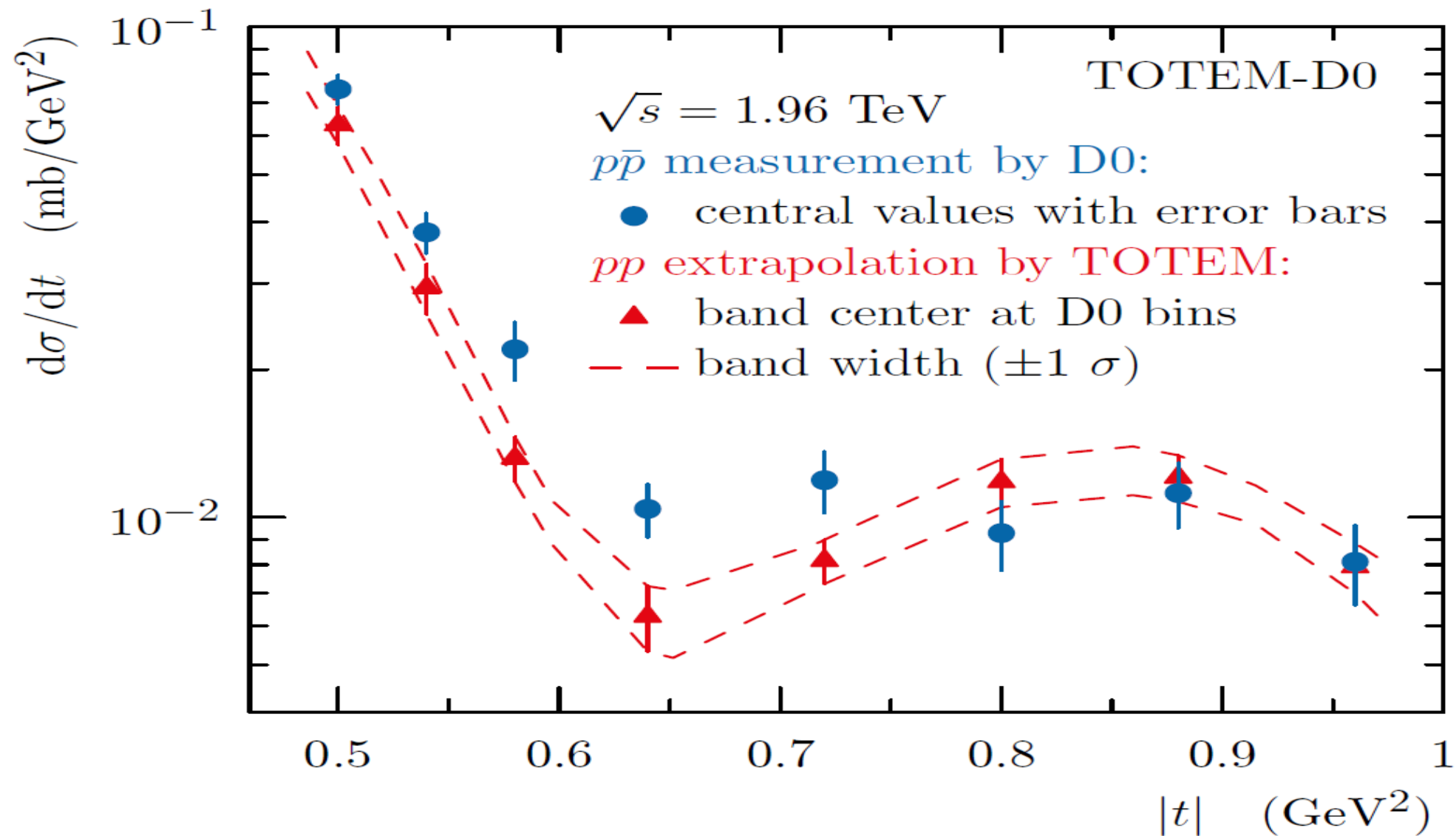
OP's are expected to be equal for C-even only exchanges. The largest difference by theoretical Odderon models (2.9%) is taken as a systematic uncertainty.



Extrapolated pp σ_{tot} at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV:

$$\sigma_{tot}^{pp} = 82.7 \pm 3.1 \text{ mb}$$

Extrapolated $pp \frac{d\sigma}{dt}$ and measured $p\bar{p} \frac{d\sigma}{dt}$ at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96 \text{ TeV}$



Statistical comparison of extrapolated $pp \frac{d\sigma}{dt}$ to measured $p\bar{p} \frac{d\sigma}{dt}$ at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96 \text{ TeV}$.

A χ^2 comparison between the scaled TOTEM and D0 $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}$'s is performed as:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i,j} \{(T_i - D_i) C_{i,j}^{-1} (T_j - D_j)\} + \frac{(A - A_0)^2}{\sigma_A^2} + \frac{(B - B_0)^2}{\sigma_B^2}$$

Where: $T_i = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dt}\right)_i^{TOTEM}$; $D_i = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dt}\right)_i^{D0}$; $C_{i,j} = (i,j)$ element of the cov. matrix.

Two constraints are applied (Therefore 6 d.o.f):

- 1) The OP match between pp and $p\bar{p}$.
- 2) We constraint the pp and $p\bar{p}$ nuclear slopes to their measured values, which agree within statistics (to good approximation $B(pp) = B(p\bar{p})$). This constraint is also consistent to the [Cornille-Martin Theorem](#): the ratio of the pp and $p\bar{p}$ integrated elastic cross sections tends to unity as $s \rightarrow \infty$.

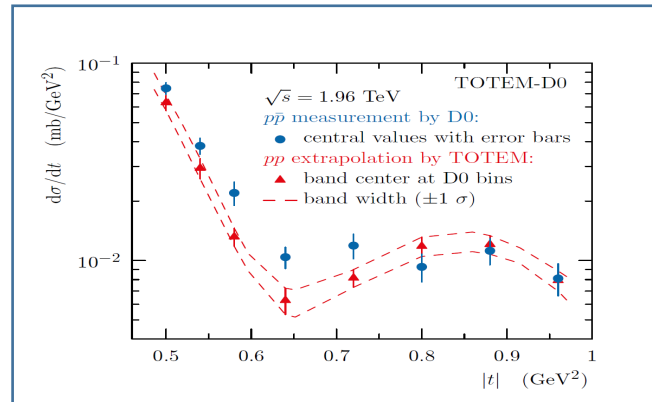
We obtain: $\chi^2 = 23.64$, equivalent to a p-value of 6.1×10^{-4} for 6 dof, with a corresponding significance of 3.4σ

A cross check was done with a modified K-S test, including correlations, we get a consistent p-value with that of the χ^2 test.

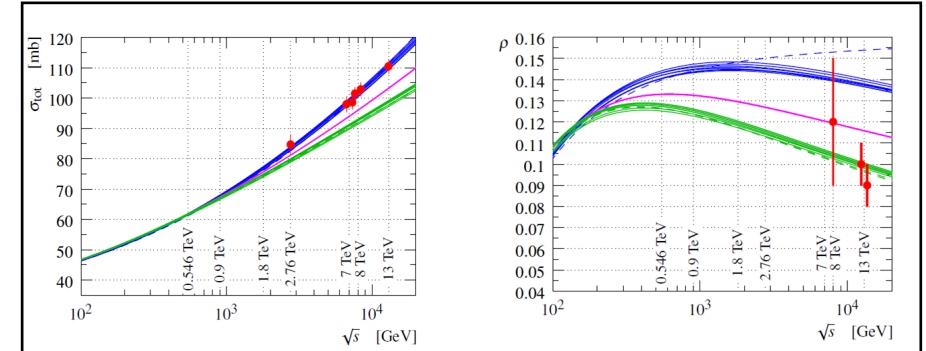
We interpret this difference in pp and $p\bar{p}$ elastic $d\sigma/dt$ at TeV energies as evidence of an Odderon amplitude contributing to the scattering process, in addition to the Pomeron amplitude.

Combining evidence of Odderon Exchange from ρ , σ_{tot} and elastic $d\sigma/dt$ data

Measurements were obtained with different detectors and in different $|t|$ regions \rightarrow Fully independent



Evidence from the D0 -TOTEM elastic $d\sigma/dt$ difference at 3.4σ level



256 models studied by the [COMPETE Collaboration](#), and [Durham](#), and [Block-Halzen](#), with no-Odderon contribution are ruled out by TOTEM σ_{tot} and ρ measurements, at the level of 3.4 to 4.6σ

χ^2

Overall significance ranging between 5.3 to 5.7 σ ,
depending on the model.

Concluding remarks

1. A thorough data-driven comparison between the TOTEM pp (at 2.76, 7, 8, 13 TeV) and the D0 $p\bar{p}$ (at 1.96 TeV) elastic $d\sigma/dt$ was carried out.
2. The extrapolated $\frac{d\sigma_{pp}}{dt}$ differs in shape from the measured $\frac{d\sigma_{p\bar{p}}}{dt}$ (at 1.96 TeV) at the level of 3.4σ , which is interpreted as evidence of a contribution of an Odderon amplitude.
3. The evidence of the difference in shapes of the elastic $d\sigma/dt$ combined to the evidence from the values of σ_{tot} and ρ at the TeV energies, constitutes the **first experimental observation of the Odderon**.

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