Introduction WG4

MPI and low x and diffraction (theory talks)

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MPI & low x — why care?

- multi-parton interactions become usually important in the intermediate and low x region (phase space)
- in this region: standard fixed order DGLAP description (may) lose its validity.

Reason: $\alpha_{s} \ln(1/x) \sim 1 \rightarrow$ need to be resumed to all orders

- within QCD perturbation theory, this is achieved by the BFKL equation
- can affect the MPI analysis

example: forward-backward diets (Mueller-Navelet jets)



picture taken from 1602.01882

- for long time one of the standard processes to search for BFKL effects at the LHC → signal: decorrelation in azimuthal angle with increasing rapidity
 [Duclou, Szymanowski, Wallon; 1309.3229], [Celiberto, Ivanov, Murdaca, Papa; 1504.08233], ...
- MPIs can/could give such a decorrelation!
- recent BFKL studies: extend this to 3 and 4 jets
 [Caporale, Chachamis, Murdaca, Sabio Vera; 1508.07711], [Caporale, Chachamis, Gordo Gomez, Murdaca, Sabio Vera; 1606.00574]

low x \rightarrow high energy factorisation \rightarrow k_T factorization



- high energy factorisation & BFKL evolution provide cross-section in the low x region as convolution of

 a) kT (TMD) dependent coefficients
 b) kT (TMD) dependent parton
 distribution functions
- main advantage: treat kinematics with higher accuracy ("approximate NLO"),
- can/could affect size MPI contributions

Double parton scattering in 4-jet production (Mirko Serino, Cracow)

- 4 jet production within high energy factorisation (=off-shell initial partons)
- study combination of single and double parton contributions
- Question: how to maximize the double-parton scattering (DPS) contribution in four-jet production by selecting kinematical cuts?

Automated calculations for MPI (Andreas van Hameren, Cracow)

- Monte-Carlo code for automatic calculations of hard single- and multi parton scattering processes
- both kT factorisation and collinear factorisation, all tree-level matrix elements for SM processes

At some (very small) x: saturation effects



 saturation scale acts as an effective cutoff of k_T-dependence at small k_T



Exploring minijets beyond leading power (Piotr Kotko, Penn State)

- MPI models in Monte-Carlos rely on mini-jet Xsec, derived from collinear factorization
- differential Xsec. divergent for small pT

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\rm 2jet}}{dp_T^2} \sim \frac{\alpha_s^2 \left(p_T^2 \right)}{p_T^4} \,. \label{eq:sigma_star}$$

- introduce energy dependent cut-off pT>pT,min(s)
- Two questions investigated within high energy factorisation →off-shell initial patrons!

i) cut-off provided by initial off-shell gluons?

ii) minijet suppression away from the small p⊤ region?



 $\sigma_{\rm tot} = \frac{1}{s} \Im \mathsf{m} \mathcal{A}(s, t = 0)$

scattering (amplitude level)

 $\mathcal{A}(s,t)$

at cross-section level: multi-parton scattering (if resolved)

Hard diffractive processes in the kT-factorisation approach (Marta Luszczak, Rzeszow)

- diffractive production of open charm, bottom mesons and diets at the LHC
- Pomeron: Ingelmass-Schlein model +
 absorptive corrections
- parton distributions: kT-factorization (from collinear pdfs using KMR description)

