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## Central exclusive production at RHIC and LHC

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# Our works on central production

Our **recent** works on central production:

1. Production of  $\pi^+\pi^-$  pairs in  $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$  reaction.
2. Production of  $K^+K^-$  pairs in  $pp \rightarrow ppK^+K^-$  reaction.
3. Production of two pairs of  $\pi^+\pi^-$  in  $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$  reaction  
Three pomeron exchanges (!)
4. Production of  $\phi\phi$  final state  
 $pp \rightarrow ppK^+K^-K^+K^-$  reaction  
in quest for glueballs
5. Production of  $p\bar{p}$  pairs in  $pp \rightarrow pp(p\bar{p})$  reaction  
interesting spin effects for Regge-like reactions.
6. Exclusive production of  $J/\psi$  meson in  $pp \rightarrow ppJ/\psi$  and semiexclusive processes.
7. Production of  $e^+e^-$  or  $\mu^+\mu^-$  pairs via  $\gamma\gamma$  fusion **with photon transverse momenta**.
8. Production of  $W^+W^-$  pairs via  $\gamma\gamma$  fusion **with photon transverse momenta**.

# Regge approach

- ▶ At higher energies  $\sqrt{s} > 2\text{-}3 \text{ GeV}$ , meson-exchange approach stops to work.
- ▶ Regge approach was proposed.  
Exchange of so-called **Regge trajectories**.
- ▶ In the past rather **two-body processes** were studied.  
An example is elastic scattering.
- ▶  $pp \rightarrow pp, p\bar{p} \rightarrow p\bar{p}$   
 $\pi^+ p \rightarrow \pi^+ p, \pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^- p$   
 $K^+ p \rightarrow K^+ p, K^- p \rightarrow K^- p$
- ▶ Several Regge trajectories are necessary to describe the two-body reactions:
  - (a) **leading trajectory** (trajectories):  
pomeron (**C=1**), odderon (**C=-1**) (**not clearly identified**)
  - (b) **subleading trajectories**:  
 $f_2 \gg a_2$  (**C=+1**),  $\omega \gg \rho$  (**C=-1**)
- ▶ One can understand total cross sections in the Regge picture.
- ▶ Extension of the Regge approach to  $2 \rightarrow 3, 2 \rightarrow 4$ , etc, processes **possible only now**. Not yet tested.
- ▶ Use coupling constants **extracted from the elastic scattering and total cross sections**.

# Tensor pomeron model

In our recent works all amplitudes are calculated assuming **tensor pomeron model** proposed by **Nachtmann et al.**, *Annals Phys.* 342 (2014) 31.

- ▶ It is often said that Pomeron has **vacuum quantum numbers**.
- ▶ This is true for **color** but not **spin** degrees of freedom.
- ▶ Often **vector pomeron** is used in practical calculations.
- ▶ **Vector pomeron** is inconsistent with **Field Theory**.
- ▶ **Tensor pomeron** consistent with so called  $r_5$  observable measured in proton-proton elastic scattering by STAR  
*C. Ewerz, P. Lebiedowicz, O. Nachtmann and A. Szczurek,*  
*Phys. Lett.* **B763** (2016) 382.
- ▶ **Feynman rules** for exchanges of the soft objects have been proposed (**vertices, propagators**).
- ▶ We keep checking whether it works for different other processes.  
**So far yes!** Further tests are needed.
- ▶ Tensor pomeron, see also **Chung-I Tan et al.** and **E. Shuryak et al.**

# Tensor pomeron

The propagator of the tensor-pomeron exchange is written as:

$$i\Delta_{\mu\nu,\kappa\lambda}^{(\mathbf{P})}(s, t) = \frac{1}{4s} \left( g_{\mu\kappa} g_{\nu\lambda} + g_{\mu\lambda} g_{\nu\kappa} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} g_{\kappa\lambda} \right) (-is\alpha'_{\mathbf{P}})^{\alpha_{\mathbf{P}}(t)-1} \quad (1)$$

and fulfils the following relations

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\mu\nu,\kappa\lambda}^{(\mathbf{P})}(s, t) &= \Delta_{\nu\mu,\kappa\lambda}^{(\mathbf{P})}(s, t) = \Delta_{\mu\nu,\lambda\kappa}^{(\mathbf{P})}(s, t) = \Delta_{\kappa\lambda,\mu\nu}^{(\mathbf{P})}(s, t), \\ g^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\mu\nu,\kappa\lambda}^{(\mathbf{P})}(s, t) &= 0, \quad g^{\kappa\lambda} \Delta_{\mu\nu,\kappa\lambda}^{(\mathbf{P})}(s, t) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

It gives by construction the same result for  $pp \rightarrow pp$  elastic scattering as [traditional Regge approach](#).

# Exclusive reactions

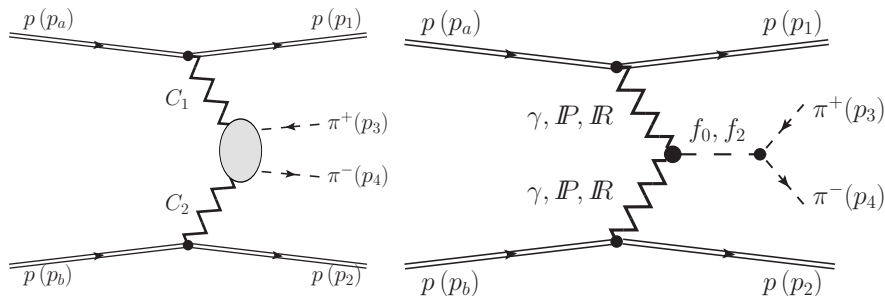
- ▶ Consider **exclusive** process  $pp \rightarrow ppM\bar{M}$   
( $pp \rightarrow ppR$  or even  $pp \rightarrow ppM\bar{M}M\bar{M}$ )
- ▶ Calculate (helicity-dependent) amplitude  $\mathcal{M}_{pp \rightarrow ppM\bar{M}}$
- ▶ Calculate differential cross sections:

$$d\sigma = \frac{1}{2s} |\mathcal{M}_{pp \rightarrow ppM\bar{M}}|^2 \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{(2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_a + p_b - p_1 - p_2 - p_3 - p_4)}{(2\pi)^3 2E_1 (2\pi)^3 2E_2 (2\pi)^3 2E_3 (2\pi)^3 2E_4} \frac{d^3p_1}{d^3p_2} \frac{d^3p_3}{d^3p_4} \quad (4)$$

- ▶ Any differential distribution can be calculated
- ▶ Include **absorption effects**

$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$$



The **four-body** process amplitude written  
in terms of **two-body** Regge amplitudes

*Lebiedowicz, Szczurek, Phys. Rev. D81 (2010) 036003.*

$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$$

The full Born amplitude of  $\pi^+\pi^-$  production is a sum of continuum amplitude and the amplitudes through the s-channel resonances:

$$\mathcal{M}_{pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-} = \mathcal{M}_{pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-}^{\pi\pi\text{-continuum}} + \mathcal{M}_{pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-}^{\pi\pi\text{-resonances}}. \quad (5)$$

Absorption effects should be included in addition

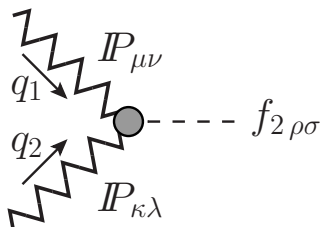


# Resonances

## Scalar/pseudoscalar resonances:

*P. Lebiedowicz, O. Nachtmann and A. Szczurek, Ann. Phys. **344C** (2014) 301.*

## Tensor resonances:



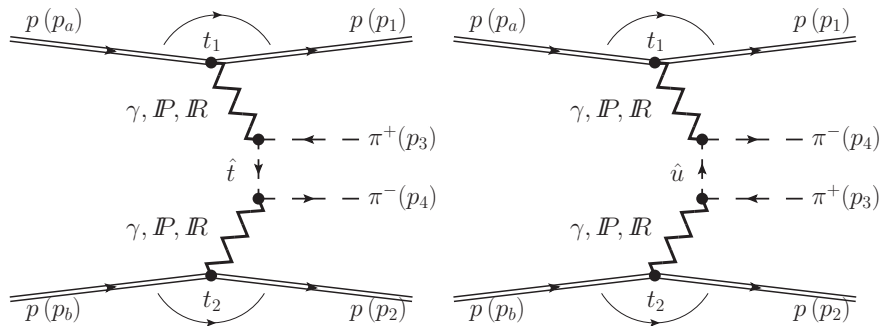
*P. Lebiedowicz, O. Nachtmann and A. Szczurek, Phys. Rev. **D92** (2016) 054015.*

For **tensor meson** and **tensor pomerons** there are  
**7 possible couplings.**

We have tried different of them.

Only one (!) fits to experimental characteristics.

$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$$



The two (t- and u-channel) contributions must be added **coherently**.

*P. Lebiedowicz, O. Nachtmann and A. Szczurek, Phys. Rev. D* **92** (2016) 054015.

$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$$

The **PP**-exchange amplitude can be written as

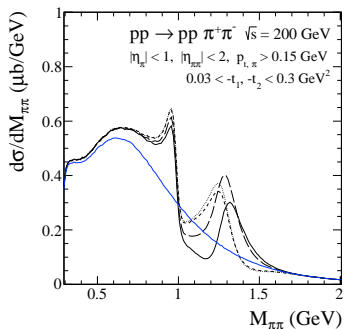
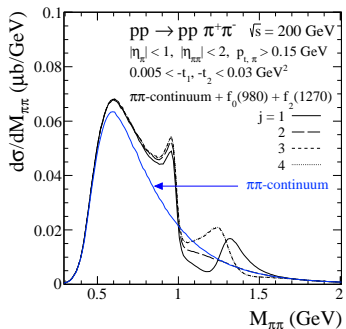
$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{PP} \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a\lambda_b \rightarrow \lambda_1\lambda_2\pi^+\pi^-}^{(\hat{t})} + \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a\lambda_b \rightarrow \lambda_1\lambda_2\pi^+\pi^-}^{(\hat{u})}, \quad (6)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a\lambda_b \rightarrow \lambda_1\lambda_2\pi^+\pi^-}^{(\hat{t})} &\simeq 3\beta_{\mathbf{P}NN} 2(p_1 + p_a)_{\mu_1} (p_1 + p_a)_{\nu_1} \delta_{\lambda_1\lambda_a} F_1(t_1) F_M(t_1) \\ &\times 2\beta_{\mathbf{P}\pi\pi} (p_t - p_3)^{\mu_1} (p_t - p_3)^{\nu_1} \frac{1}{4s_{13}} (-is_{13}\alpha'_{\mathbf{P}})^{\alpha_{\mathbf{P}}(t_1)-1} \frac{[\hat{F}_{\pi}(p_t^2)]^2}{p_t^2 - m_{\pi}^2} \\ &\times 2\beta_{\mathbf{P}\pi\pi} (p_4 + p_t)^{\mu_2} (p_4 + p_t)^{\nu_2} \frac{1}{4s_{24}} (-is_{24}\alpha'_{\mathbf{P}})^{\alpha_{\mathbf{P}}(t_2)-1} \\ &\times 3\beta_{\mathbf{P}NN} 2(p_2 + p_b)_{\mu_2} (p_2 + p_b)_{\nu_2} \delta_{\lambda_2\lambda_b} F_1(t_2) F_M(t_2), \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

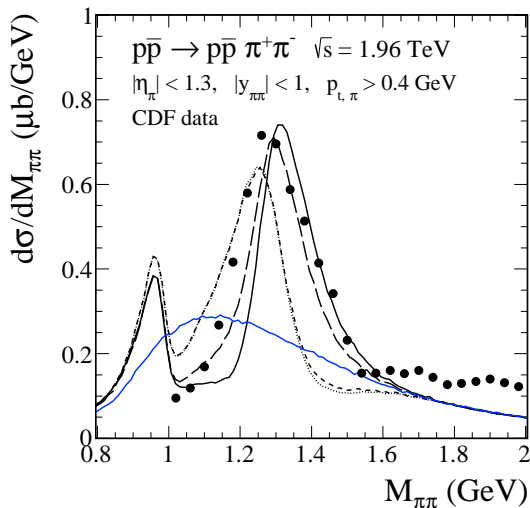
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a\lambda_b \rightarrow \lambda_1\lambda_2\pi^+\pi^-}^{(\hat{u})} &\simeq 3\beta_{\mathbf{P}NN} 2(p_1 + p_a)_{\mu_1} (p_1 + p_a)_{\nu_1} \delta_{\lambda_1\lambda_a} F_1(t_1) F_M(t_1) \\ &\times 2\beta_{\mathbf{P}\pi\pi} (p_4 + p_u)^{\mu_1} (p_4 + p_u)^{\nu_1} \frac{1}{4s_{14}} (-is_{14}\alpha'_{\mathbf{P}})^{\alpha_{\mathbf{P}}(t_1)-1} \frac{[\hat{F}_{\pi}(p_u^2)]^2}{p_u^2 - m_{\pi}^2} \\ &\times 2\beta_{\mathbf{P}\pi\pi} (p_u - p_3)^{\mu_2} (p_u - p_3)^{\nu_2} \frac{1}{4s_{23}} (-is_{23}\alpha'_{\mathbf{P}})^{\alpha_{\mathbf{P}}(t_2)-1} \\ &\times 3\beta_{\mathbf{P}NN} 2(p_2 + p_b)_{\mu_2} (p_2 + p_b)_{\nu_2} \delta_{\lambda_2\lambda_b} F_1(t_2) F_M(t_2). \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$pp \rightarrow pp \pi^+ \pi^-$$



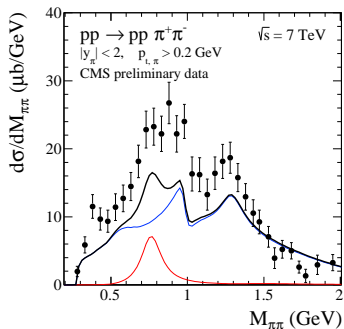
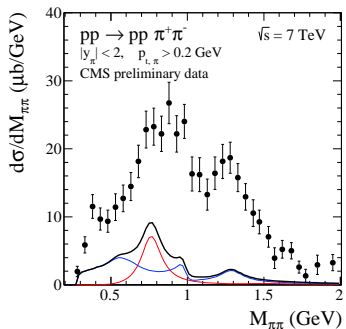
Interesting (negative) interference of  $f_0(980)$  and two-pion continuum.

$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$$



Not completely exclusive data (protons not measured).

$$pp \rightarrow pp \pi^+ \pi^-$$

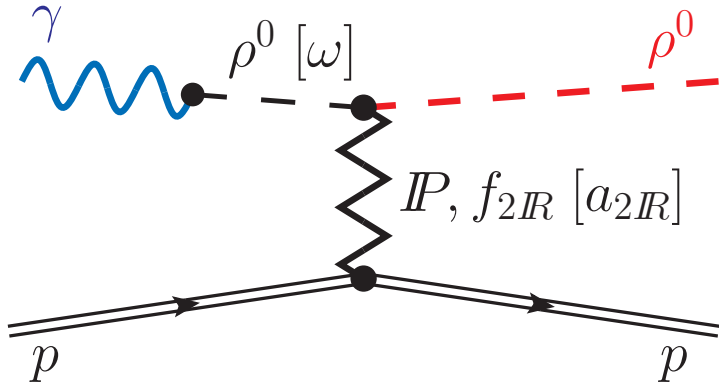


The parameters fixed to the CDF data.

Warning: Preliminary CMS data

# Photoproduction at HERA

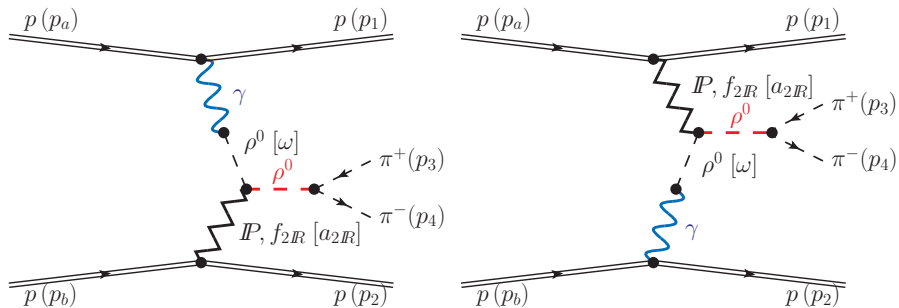
VDM (vector dominance model) mechanism:



Can be inserted to  $pp$  collisions.

$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$$

photon induced production of  $\rho^0$  resonances

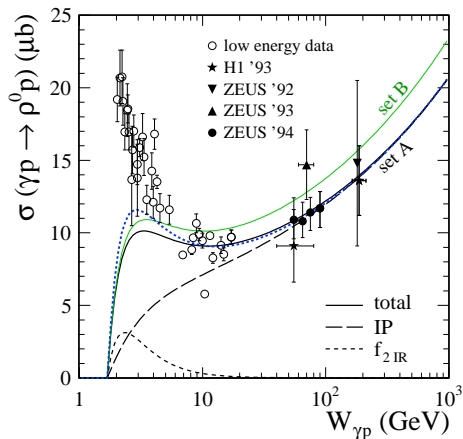


Dominant photoproduction mechanism in the  $\pi^+\pi^-$  channel.

*P.Lebiedowicz, O. Nachtmann and A. Szczurek, Phys. Rev. D91 (2015) 074023.*

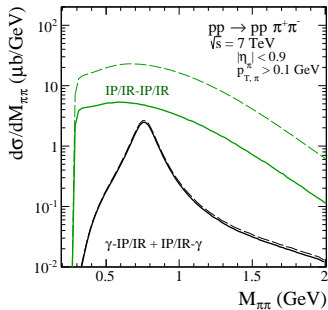
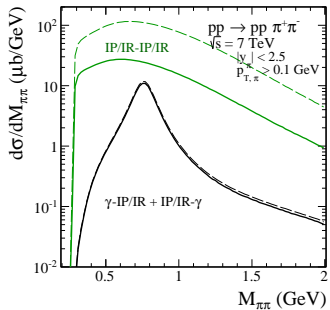


# HERA data



No freedom for  $2 \rightarrow 4$   $pp \rightarrow pp\rho^0$  processes.

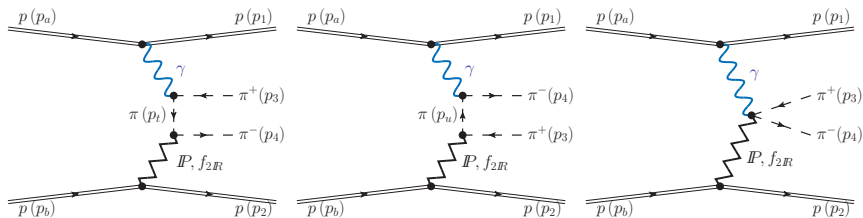
$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$$



with absorption effects included

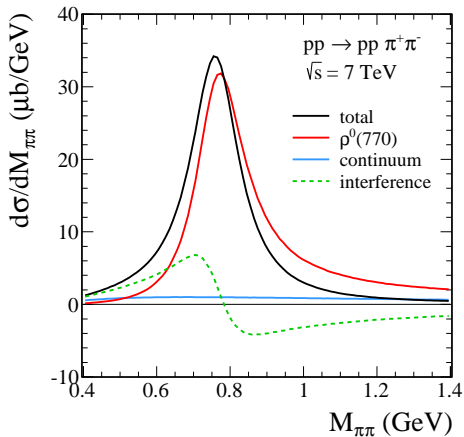
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## photon induced diffractive continuum



So-called **Söding mechanism**.

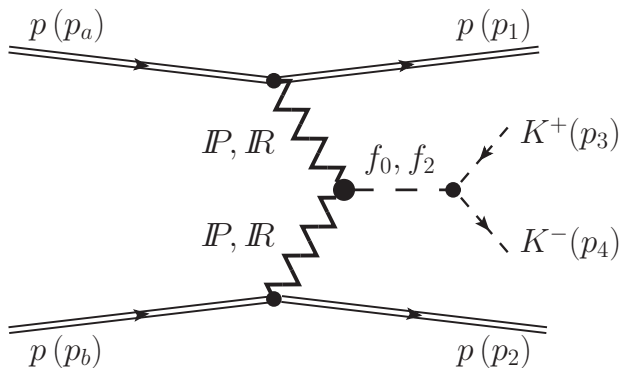
# Interference effect



Modification of the spectral shape (**skewness**).

$$pp \rightarrow ppK^+K^-$$

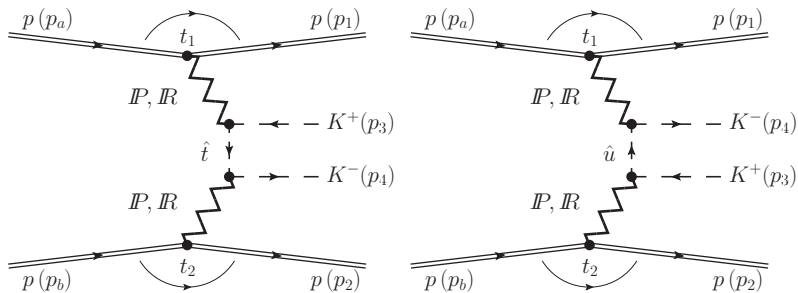
Purely diffractive resonance mechanisms:



P. Lebiedowicz, O. Nachtmann and A. Szczurek, arXiv:1804.04706,  
in print in Phys. Rev. **D**

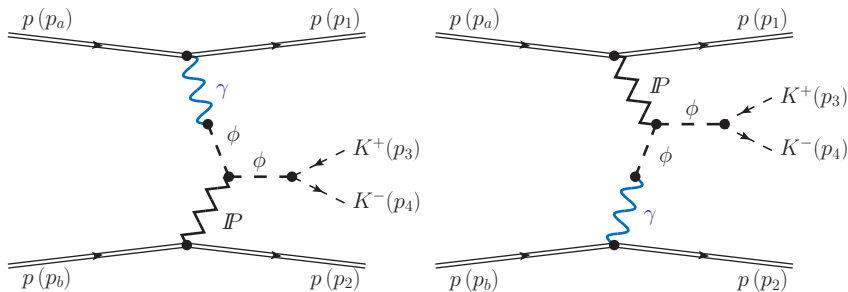
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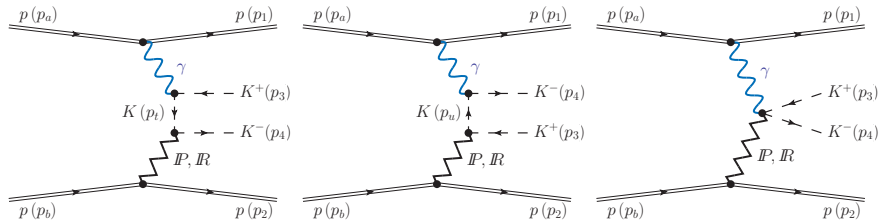
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Diffractive photoproduction resonance mechanism:



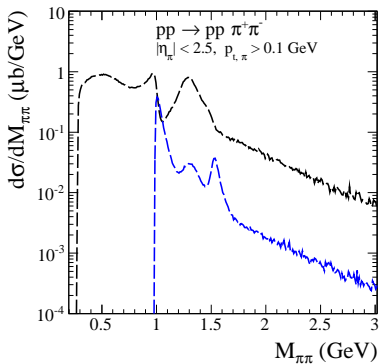
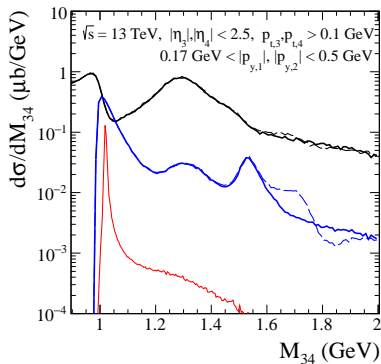
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Diffractive photoproduction continuum mechanism:



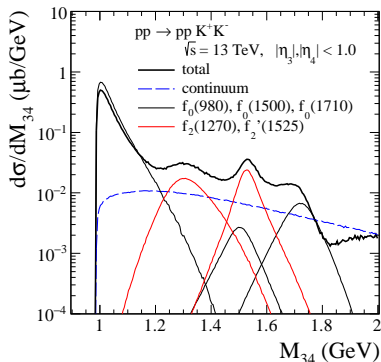


# Results for CMS



CMS rapidity acceptance

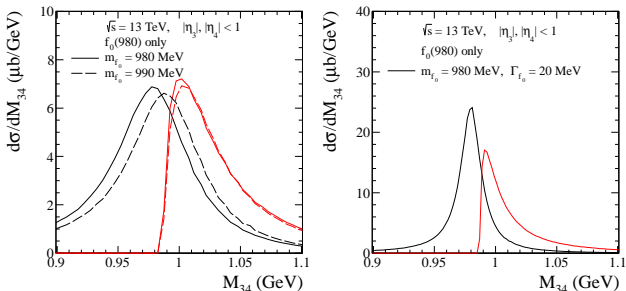
# Resonance decomposition



Really many resonances may participate.

Parameters fixed by detailed knowledge of different reactions.

# $f_0(980)$ line shape



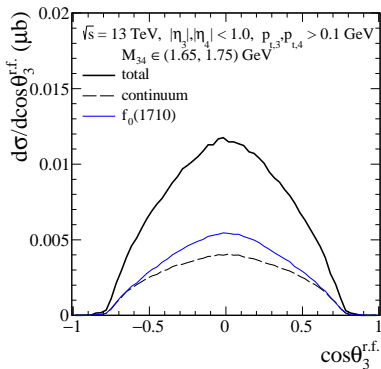
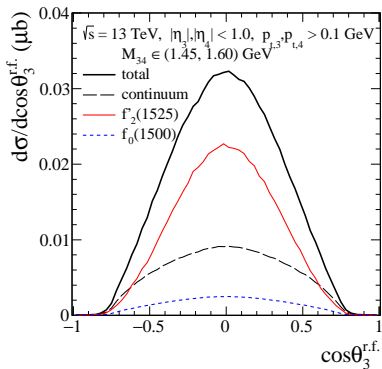
left:  $\Gamma_{tot} = 70$  MeV

right:  $\Gamma_{tot} = 20$  MeV (Achasov-Shestakov)

Different position of the peak in  $\pi^+\pi^-$  and  $K^+K^-$  channels.

$pp \rightarrow pp\phi$  gives contribution at the same  $M_{K^+K^-}$  as  $pp \rightarrow pp f_0(980)$   
(the first reaction can be smoking-gun for observing effects of gluon saturation)

# Angular distribution in the KK rest frame ( $f_0(1500)$ and $f_0(1710)$ )

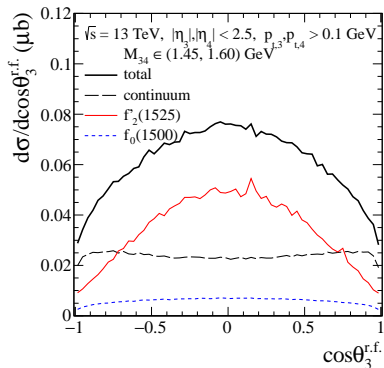


Not too instructive!

Too small range of rapidity?

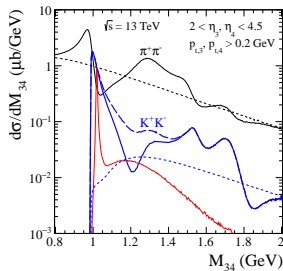
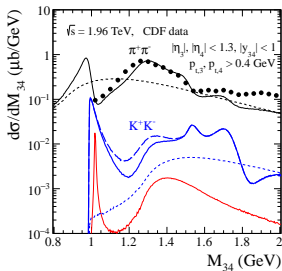
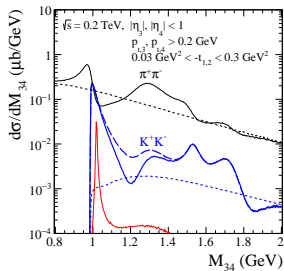
Can CMS measure such distributions?

# Angular distribution in the KK rest frame



CMS range of rapidities

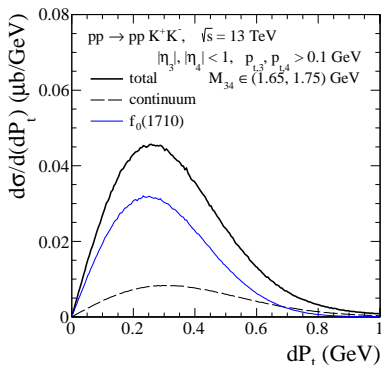
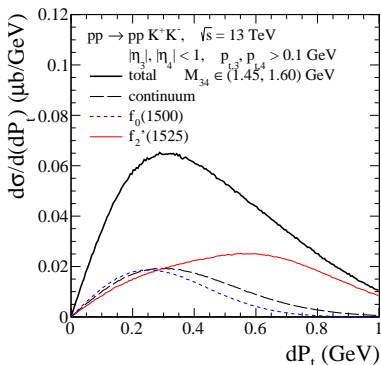
# Predictions for different experiments



Can one observe  $\phi$  meson ?

# Glueball filter variable distribution

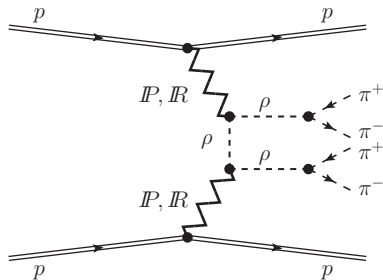
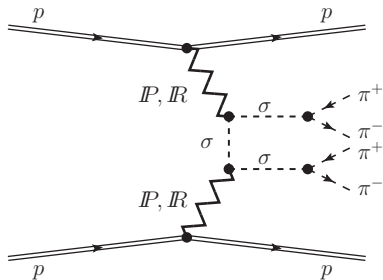
$$d\mathbf{P}_t = \mathbf{q}_{t,1} - \mathbf{q}_{t,2} = \mathbf{p}_{t,2} - \mathbf{p}_{t,1}, \quad dP_t = |d\mathbf{P}_t|. \quad (9)$$



Some difference between continuum and resonances

$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$$

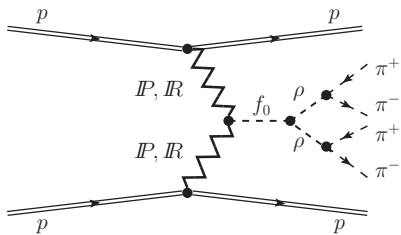
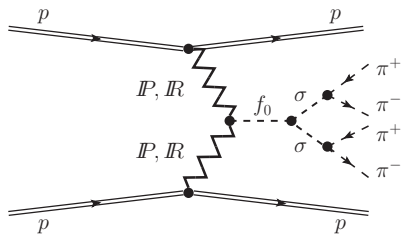
### Double resonance production:





$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$$

### Single resonance production:



- ▶ Contribution to mechanism of diffractive production of resonances ( $f_2(1270)$ ,  $f_1(1285)$ ,  $f_0(1500)$ ,  $f_0(1710)$ ,  $f_2(1950)$ )
- ▶ Contribution to decays and branching fractions.

$pp \rightarrow pp\sigma\sigma$

The amplitude for this process can be written as the following sum:

$$\mathcal{M}_{pp \rightarrow pp\sigma\sigma}^{(\sigma\text{-exchange})} = \mathcal{M}^{(\mathbf{PP} \rightarrow \sigma\sigma)} + \mathcal{M}^{(\mathbf{P}f_{2R} \rightarrow \sigma\sigma)} + \mathcal{M}^{(f_{2R}\mathbf{P} \rightarrow \sigma\sigma)} + \mathcal{M}^{(f_{2R}f_{2R} \rightarrow \sigma\sigma)} \quad (10)$$

For instance, the  $\mathbf{PP}$ -exchange amplitude can be written as

$$\mathcal{M}^{(\mathbf{PP} \rightarrow \sigma\sigma)} = \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \rightarrow \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \sigma\sigma}^{(\hat{t})} + \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \rightarrow \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \sigma\sigma}^{(\hat{u})} \quad (11)$$

with the  $\hat{t}$ - and  $\hat{u}$ -channel amplitudes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \rightarrow \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \sigma\sigma}^{(\hat{t})} = & \\ & (-i) \bar{u}(\mathbf{p}_1, \lambda_1) i\Gamma_{\mu_1 \nu_1}^{(\mathbf{P}pp)}(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_a) u(\mathbf{p}_a, \lambda_a) i\Delta^{(\mathbf{P}) \mu_1 \nu_1, \alpha_1 \beta_1}(s_{13}, t_1) i\Gamma_{\alpha_1 \beta_1}^{(\mathbf{P}\sigma\sigma)}(\mathbf{p}_t, -\mathbf{p}_3) i\Delta^{(\sigma)}(\mathbf{p}_t) \\ & \times i\Gamma_{\alpha_2 \beta_2}^{(\mathbf{P}\sigma\sigma)}(\mathbf{p}_4, \mathbf{p}_t) i\Delta^{(\mathbf{P}) \alpha_2 \beta_2, \mu_2 \nu_2}(s_{24}, t_2) \bar{u}(\mathbf{p}_2, \lambda_2) i\Gamma_{\mu_2 \nu_2}^{(\mathbf{P}pp)}(\mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_b) u(\mathbf{p}_b, \lambda_b), \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \rightarrow \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \sigma\sigma}^{(\hat{u})} = & \\ & (-i) \bar{u}(\mathbf{p}_1, \lambda_1) i\Gamma_{\mu_1 \nu_1}^{(\mathbf{P}pp)}(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_a) u(\mathbf{p}_a, \lambda_a) i\Delta^{(\mathbf{P}) \mu_1 \nu_1, \alpha_1 \beta_1}(s_{14}, t_1) i\Gamma_{\alpha_1 \beta_1}^{(\mathbf{P}\sigma\sigma)}(\mathbf{p}_4, \mathbf{p}_u) i\Delta^{(\sigma)}(\mathbf{p}_u) \\ & \times i\Gamma_{\alpha_2 \beta_2}^{(\mathbf{P}\sigma\sigma)}(\mathbf{p}_u, -\mathbf{p}_3) i\Delta^{(\mathbf{P}) \alpha_2 \beta_2, \mu_2 \nu_2}(s_{23}, t_2) \bar{u}(\mathbf{p}_2, \lambda_2) i\Gamma_{\mu_2 \nu_2}^{(\mathbf{P}pp)}(\mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_b) u(\mathbf{p}_b, \lambda_b). \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$pp \rightarrow pp\rho^0\rho^0$$

We write the amplitude as

$$\mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a\lambda_b\rightarrow\lambda_1\lambda_2\rho\rho} = \left(\epsilon_{\rho_3}^{(\rho)}(\lambda_3)\right)^* \left(\epsilon_{\rho_4}^{(\rho)}(\lambda_4)\right)^* \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a\lambda_b\rightarrow\lambda_1\lambda_2\rho\rho}^{\rho_3\rho_4}, \quad (14)$$

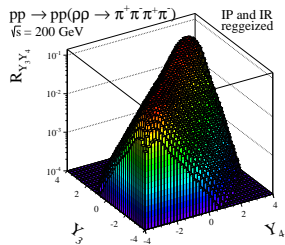
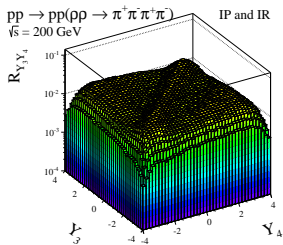
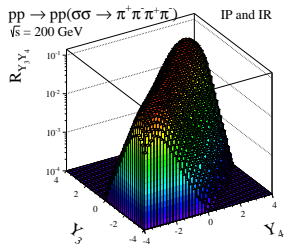
where  $\epsilon_{\rho}^{(\rho)}(\lambda)$  are the polarisation vectors of the  $\rho$  meson.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a\lambda_b\rightarrow\lambda_1\lambda_2\rho\rho}^{(\rho\text{-exchange})\rho_3\rho_4} &\simeq 2(\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_a)_{\mu_1} (\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_a)_{\nu_1} \delta_{\lambda_1\lambda_a} F_1(t_1) F_M(t_1) \\ &\times \left\{ V^{\rho_3\rho_1\mu_1\nu_1}(s_{13}, t_1, \mathbf{p}_t, \mathbf{p}_3) \Delta_{\rho_1\rho_2}^{(\rho)}(\mathbf{p}_t) V^{\rho_4\rho_2\mu_2\nu_2}(s_{24}, t_2, -\mathbf{p}_t, \mathbf{p}_4) \left[\hat{F}_{\rho}(p_t^2)\right]^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + V^{\rho_4\rho_1\mu_1\nu_1}(s_{14}, t_1, -\mathbf{p}_u, \mathbf{p}_4) \Delta_{\rho_1\rho_2}^{(\rho)}(\mathbf{p}_u) V^{\rho_3\rho_2\mu_2\nu_2}(s_{23}, t_2, \mathbf{p}_u, \mathbf{p}_3) \left[\hat{F}_{\rho}(p_u^2)\right]^2 \right\} \\ &\times 2(\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{p}_b)_{\mu_2} (\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{p}_b)_{\nu_2} \delta_{\lambda_2\lambda_b} F_1(t_2) F_M(t_2), \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

where  $V_{\mu\nu\kappa\lambda}$  reads as

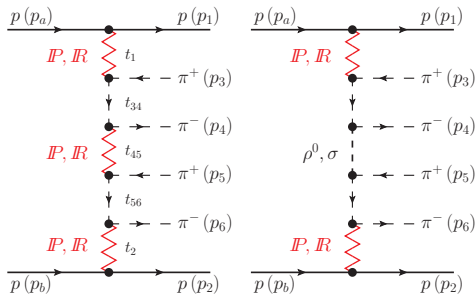
$$\begin{aligned} V_{\mu\nu\kappa\lambda}(s, t, k_2, k_1) &= 2\Gamma_{\mu\nu\kappa\lambda}^{(0)}(k_1, k_2) \frac{1}{4S} \left[ 3\beta_{\mathbf{P}NN} a_{\mathbf{P}\rho\rho} (-is\alpha'_{\mathbf{P}})^{\alpha_{\mathbf{P}}(t)-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{M_0} g_{f_{2R}\rho\rho} a_{f_{2R}\rho\rho} (-is\alpha'_{f_{2R}})^{\alpha_{f_{2R}}(t)-1} \right] \\ &\quad - \Gamma_{\mu\nu\kappa\lambda}^{(2)}(k_1, k_2) \frac{1}{4S} \left[ 3\beta_{\mathbf{P}NN} b_{\mathbf{P}\rho\rho} (-is\alpha'_{\mathbf{P}})^{\alpha_{\mathbf{P}}(t)-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{M_0} g_{f_{2R}\rho\rho} b_{f_{2R}\rho\rho} (-is\alpha'_{f_{2R}})^{\alpha_{f_{2R}}(t)-1} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

# $\sigma\sigma$ and $\rho^0\rho^0$ production



$\sqrt{s} = 200$  GeV

$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$$



Only the first type of diagrams was included

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$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M} = & \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{M}_{\{3456\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{5436\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{3654\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{5634\}}) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{M}_{\{4356\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{4536\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{6354\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{6534\}}) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{M}_{\{3465\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{5463\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{3645\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{5643\}}) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{M}_{\{4365\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{4563\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{6345\}} + \mathcal{M}_{\{6543\}}), \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\{3456\}} = A_{\pi\rho}(s_{13}, t_1) \frac{F_\pi(t_{34})}{t_{34} - m_\pi^2} A_{\pi\pi}(s_{45}, t_{45}) \frac{F_\pi(t_{56})}{t_{56} - m_\pi^2} A_{\pi\rho}(s_{26}, t_2), \quad (18)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\{4356\}} = A_{\pi\rho}(s_{14}, t_1) \frac{F_\pi(t_{43})}{t_{43} - m_\pi^2} A_{\pi\pi}(s_{35}, t_{35}) \frac{F_\pi(t_{56})}{t_{56} - m_\pi^2} A_{\pi\rho}(s_{26}, t_2), \quad (19)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\{3465\}} = A_{\pi\rho}(s_{13}, t_1) \frac{F_\pi(t_{34})}{t_{34} - m_\pi^2} A_{\pi\pi}(s_{46}, t_{46}) \frac{F_\pi(t_{65})}{t_{65} - m_\pi^2} A_{\pi\rho}(s_{25}, t_2), \quad (20)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\{4365\}} = A_{\pi\rho}(s_{14}, t_1) \frac{F_\pi(t_{43})}{t_{43} - m_\pi^2} A_{\pi\pi}(s_{36}, t_{36}) \frac{F_\pi(t_{65})}{t_{65} - m_\pi^2} A_{\pi\rho}(s_{25}, t_2). \quad (21)$$

$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$$

The subprocess amplitudes with the Regge exchanges are given as

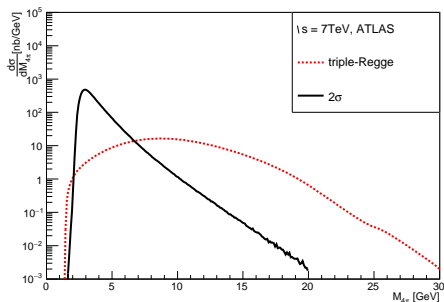
$$A_{\pi p}(s, t) = \sum_{j=\mathbf{P}, f_{2R}} \eta_j s C_{\pi p}^j \left( \frac{s}{s_0} \right)^{\alpha_j(t)-1} F_{\pi p}^j(t), \quad (22)$$

$$A_{\pi\pi}(s, t) = \sum_{j=\mathbf{P}, f_{2R}} \eta_j s C_{\pi\pi}^j \left( \frac{s}{s_0} \right)^{\alpha_j(t)-1} F_{\pi\pi}^j(t), \quad (23)$$

where the signature factors are  $\eta_{\mathbf{P}} = i$  and  $\eta_{f_{2R}} = i - 0.86$ .



$$pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$$



Large  $4\pi$  invariant masses

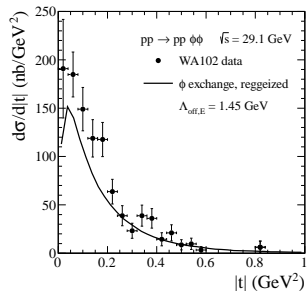
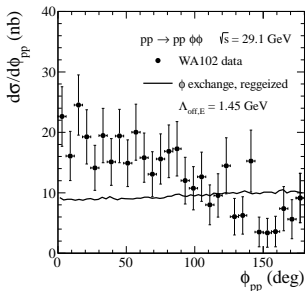
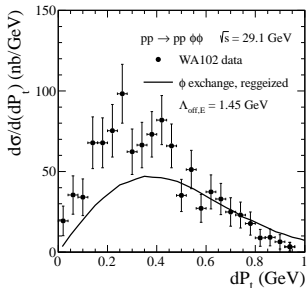
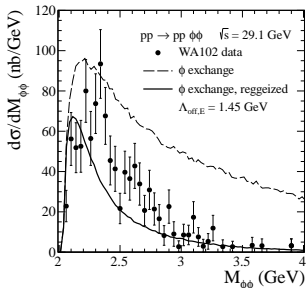
Good measurement for CMS (!)

ALICE has too narrow range of rapidities and cannot see it.

$$pp \rightarrow pp\phi\phi$$

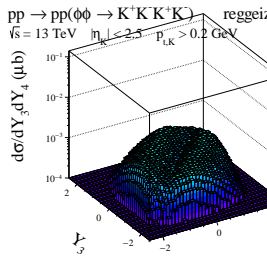
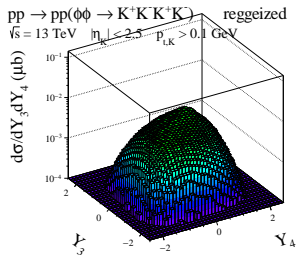
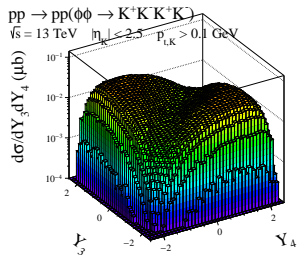
- ▶ Observed by WA102, no theoretical interpretation
- ▶ Two mechanisms possible a priori
  - ▶ continuum (" $\phi$ " exchange, reggeization (?) )
  - ▶  $f_2(1950)$  (not yet, TTT structure)
  - ▶ glueball candidate(s), below ( $f_0(1710)$ ) and above threshold
- ▶ Let us start exploration, preliminary results below

# $pp \rightarrow pp\phi\phi$ , WA102 data

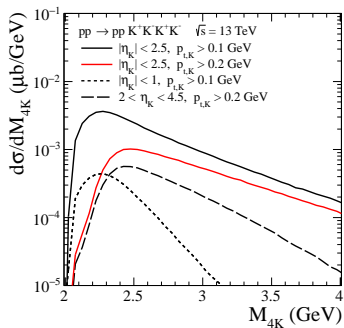
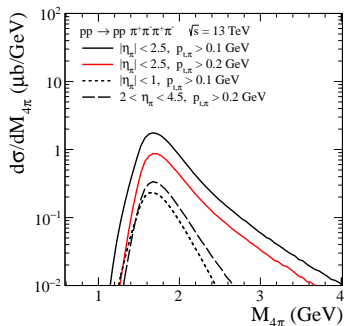


Not yet perfect

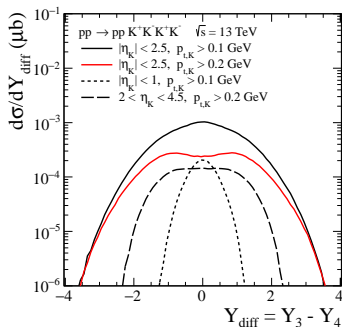
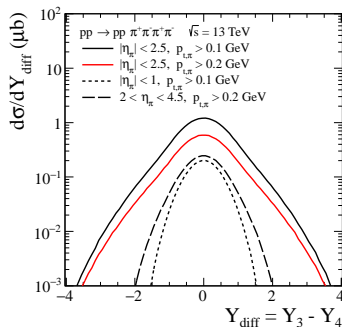
# $pp \rightarrow pp\phi\phi$ , predictions for the LHC



# $pp \rightarrow ppp\bar{p}$ , predictions for the LHC



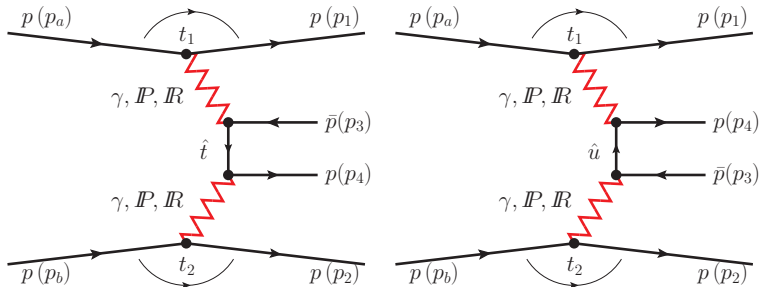
# $pp \rightarrow ppp\bar{p}$ , predictions for the LHC



One should return to the topic once the data at the LHC are available  
CMS and LHCb data analysis in progress

$$pp \rightarrow ppp\bar{p}$$

### The continuum (nonresonance) contribution



We do Feynman-diagram calculations with well fixed rules (!)

$$pp \rightarrow ppp\bar{p}$$

The full amplitude for  $p\bar{p}$  production is a sum of continuum amplitude and the amplitudes with the s-channel resonances:

$$\mathcal{M}_{pp \rightarrow ppp\bar{p}} = \mathcal{M}_{pp \rightarrow ppp\bar{p}}^{p\bar{p}\text{-continuum}} + \mathcal{M}_{pp \rightarrow ppp\bar{p}}^{p\bar{p}\text{-resonances}}. \quad (24)$$

No  $p\bar{p}$  resonances are known (to us) except of  $\eta_c$  and  $\chi_c(0)$  mesons (see PDG).

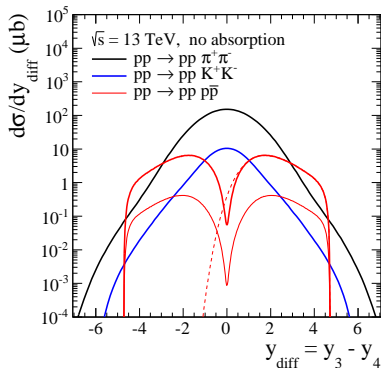
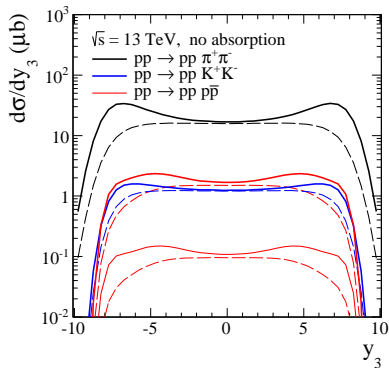


$\rho\rho \rightarrow \rho\rho\rho\bar{\rho}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_a\lambda_b \rightarrow \lambda_1\lambda_2\lambda_3\lambda_4}^{(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{P} \rightarrow \bar{\rho}\rho)} &= (-i)\bar{u}(p_1, \lambda_1) i\Gamma_{\mu_1\nu_1}^{(\mathbf{P}\rho\rho)}(p_1, p_a) u(p_a, \lambda_a) i\Delta^{(\mathbf{P})\mu_1\nu_1, \alpha_1\beta_1}(s_{13}, t_1) \\
 &\times \bar{u}(p_4, \lambda_4) [i\Gamma_{\alpha_2\beta_2}^{(\mathbf{P}\rho\rho)}(p_4, p_t) i\Delta^{(\rho)}(p_t) i\Gamma_{\alpha_1\beta_1}^{(\mathbf{P}\rho\rho)}(p_t, -p_3) \\
 &\quad + i\Gamma_{\alpha_1\beta_1}^{(\mathbf{P}\rho\rho)}(p_4, p_u) i\Delta^{(\rho)}(p_u) i\Gamma_{\alpha_2\beta_2}^{(\mathbf{P}\rho\rho)}(p_u, -p_3)] v(p_3, \lambda_3) \\
 &\times i\Delta^{(\mathbf{P})\alpha_2\beta_2, \mu_2\nu_2}(s_{24}, t_2) \bar{u}(p_2, \lambda_2) i\Gamma_{\mu_2\nu_2}^{(\mathbf{P}\rho\rho)}(p_2, p_b) u(p_b, \lambda_b).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{25}$$

No absorption effects.

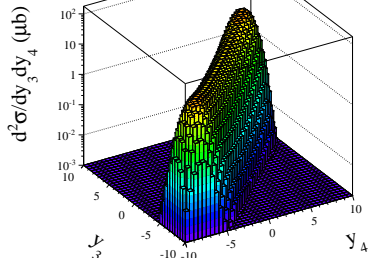
$pp \rightarrow ppp\bar{p}$



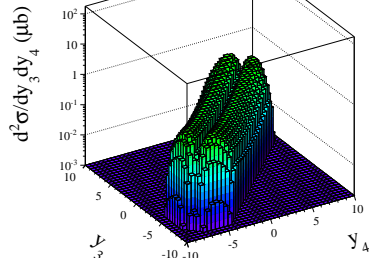
Surprising effect of the dip at  $y_{\text{diff}} = 0$ .  
New effect for spin-1/2 particles  
Good separation of  $t$  and  $u$  contributions.

# $y_3xy_4$ space

$pp \rightarrow pp \pi^+\pi^-$   
 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$

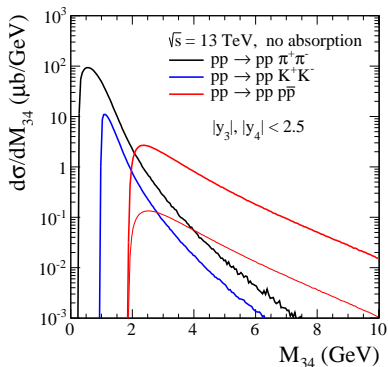
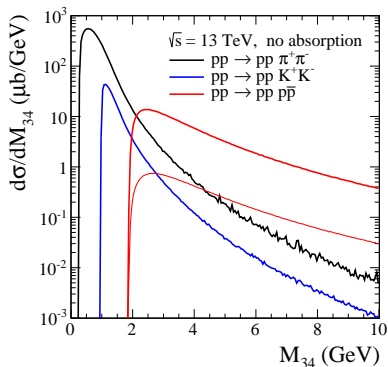


$pp \rightarrow pp p\bar{p}$   
 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$



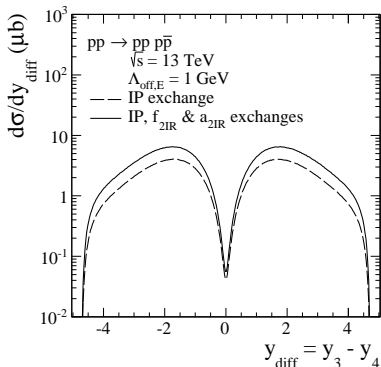
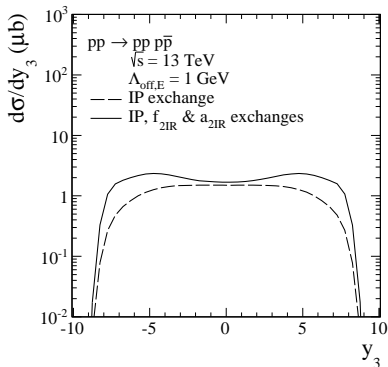
Completely different character.  
The dip is everywhere on the diagonal  
(ATLAS can do it, ALICE not really).

# $M_{p\bar{p}}$ -distribution



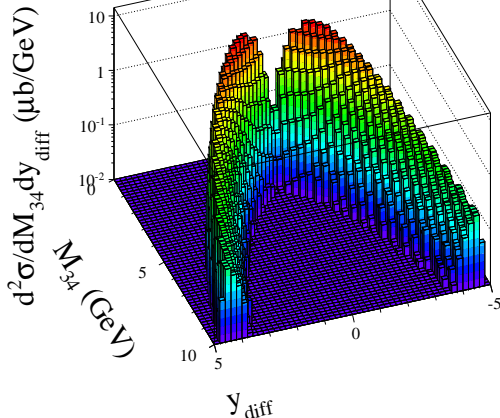
Different slope for pairs of pseudoscalar and for spin-1/2 hadrons.  
We explicitly include spin degrees of freedom in the Regge calculus.

# Role of subleading reggeons



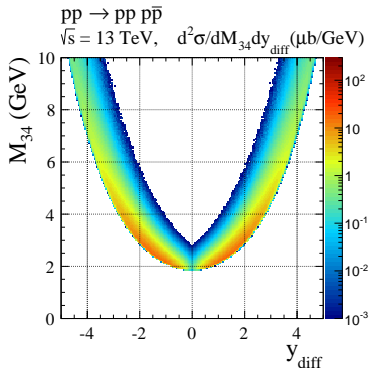
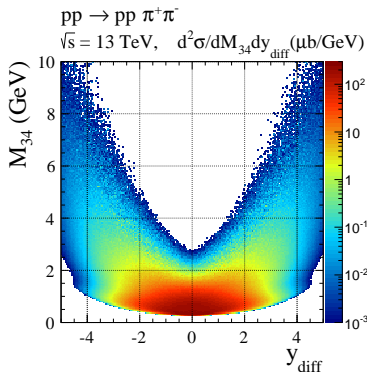
Even at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV a sizeable effect of subleading reggeons.

$pp \rightarrow pp \bar{p}$   
 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$



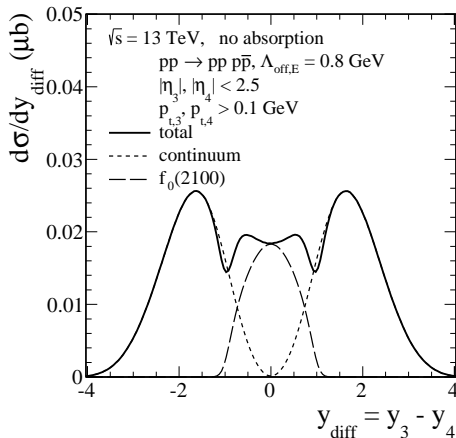
Region inside of the ridge seems promising  
in searches for resonances

# $\pi^+\pi^-$ versus $p\bar{p}$ production



Different situation for  $\pi^+\pi^-$  and  $p\bar{p}$

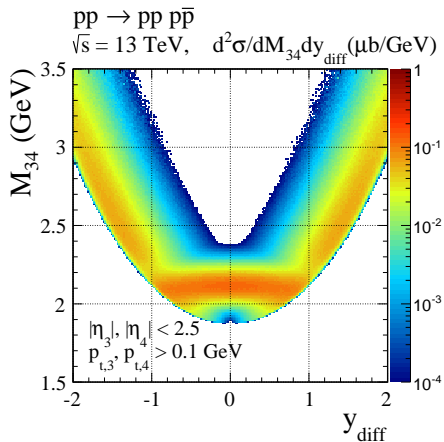
# Potential role of resonances with $M \sim 2$ GeV



resonances may destroy the dip

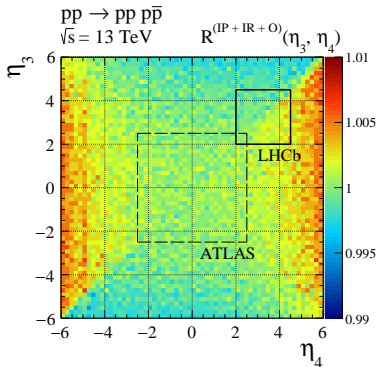
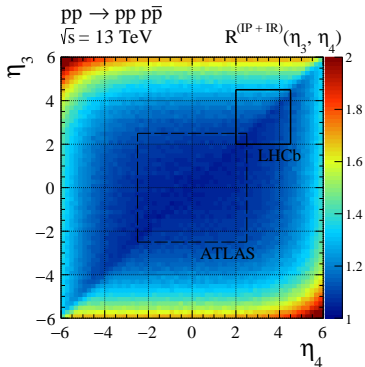


# Potential role of resonances with $M \sim 2$ GeV



resonances may destroy (close) the gorge

# Role of ingredients, ratios



first: role of **subleading reggeons**  
second: role of **odderon**

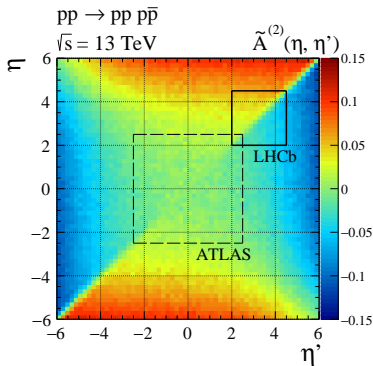
## Asymmetry between central $p$ and $\bar{p}$

In two dimensions (e.g.  $\eta_1\eta_2$ ) we can define the asymmetry:

$$\tilde{A}^{(2)}(\eta, \eta') = \frac{\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\eta_3 d\eta_4}(\eta, \eta') - \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\eta_3 d\eta_4}(\eta', \eta)}{\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\eta_3 d\eta_4}(\eta, \eta') + \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\eta_3 d\eta_4}(\eta', \eta)}. \quad (26)$$

# Asymmetry between central $p$ and $\bar{p}$

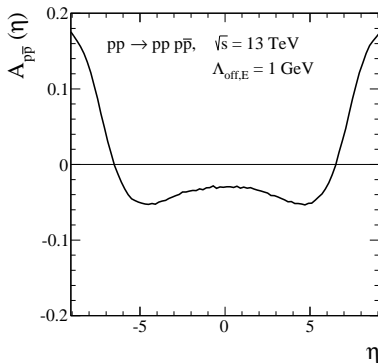
$$A = \frac{\sigma(p) - \sigma(\bar{p})}{\sigma(p) + \sigma(\bar{p})} \quad (27)$$



Clear asymmetry

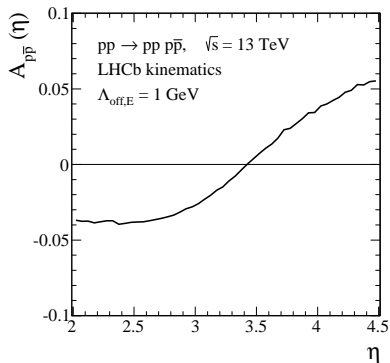
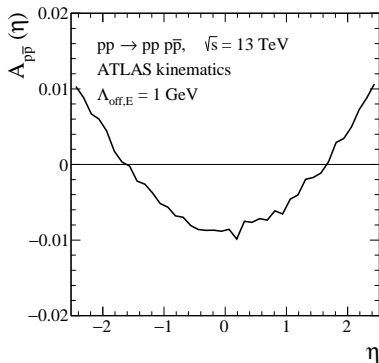
# Asymmetry between central $p$ and $\bar{p}$

Projection on one-dimension  
(full phase space)



# Asymmetry between central $p$ and $\bar{p}$

## Projection on one-dimension (experimental cuts)



## Conclusions, $pp \rightarrow pph^+h^-$

- ▶ The Regge phenomenology was extended in practice to  $2 \rightarrow 3$ ,  $2 \rightarrow 4$  and  $2 \rightarrow 6$  exclusive processes.
- ▶ The **tensor pomeron/reggeon model** was applied to many reactions.
- ▶ At lower energies **tensor/vector reggeons**.
- ▶ The dipion invariant mass has a rich structure which strongly depends on kinematical cuts (continuum, resonances, interference).
- ▶ Disagreement with CMS data due to large dissociation contribution.
- ▶ Purely exclusive data expected from STAR, CMS+TOTEM and ATLAS+ALFA.

## Conclusions, $pp \rightarrow pph^+h^-$

- ▶  $K^+K^-$  has also rich invariant mass structure (resonances). Predictions have been done. Some ambiguities in predictions.
- ▶ Search for glueballs requires partial wave analyses and observations in different final states.
- ▶ Four-pion production is also interesting. Double resonances, **three-pomeron continuum**. Search for single resonances ( $f_0(1710)$ ).
- ▶  $\phi\phi (K^+K^-K^+K^-)$  final state at  $\sqrt{s} = 29.1$  GeV has been approximately described including continuum contribution. Predictions for LHC were shown. Resonances (**glueballs**) should be added.
- ▶  $p\bar{p}$  production has quite different characteristics ( $d\sigma/dM$  and  $d\sigma/dy_{diff}$  (dip)). These are predictions of our approach.