

# THE UNDERLYING EVENT

A new model for multiple parton scattering



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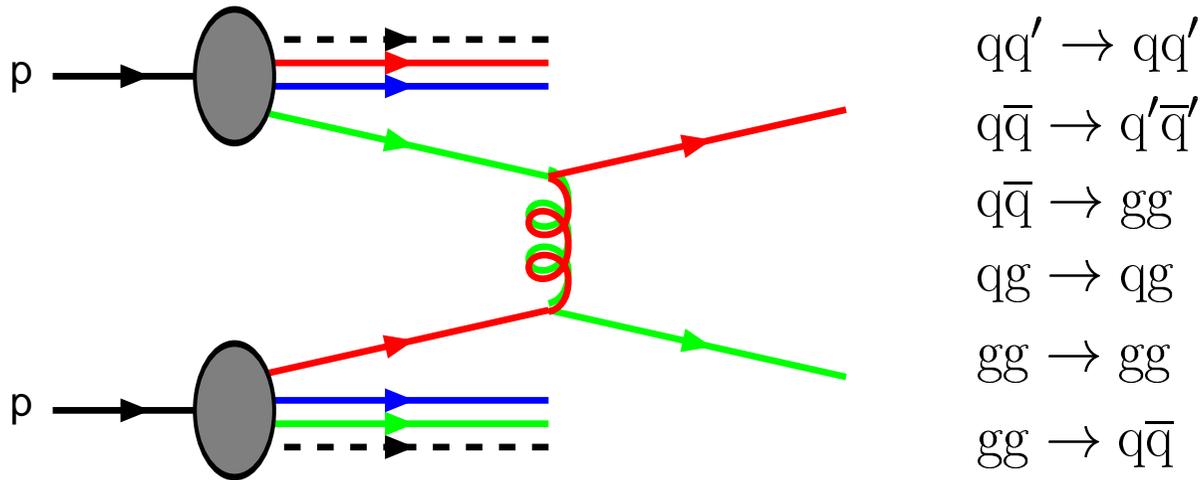
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- ✧ Lots of fresh data from Tevatron:  
→ great topic for phenomenology right now!

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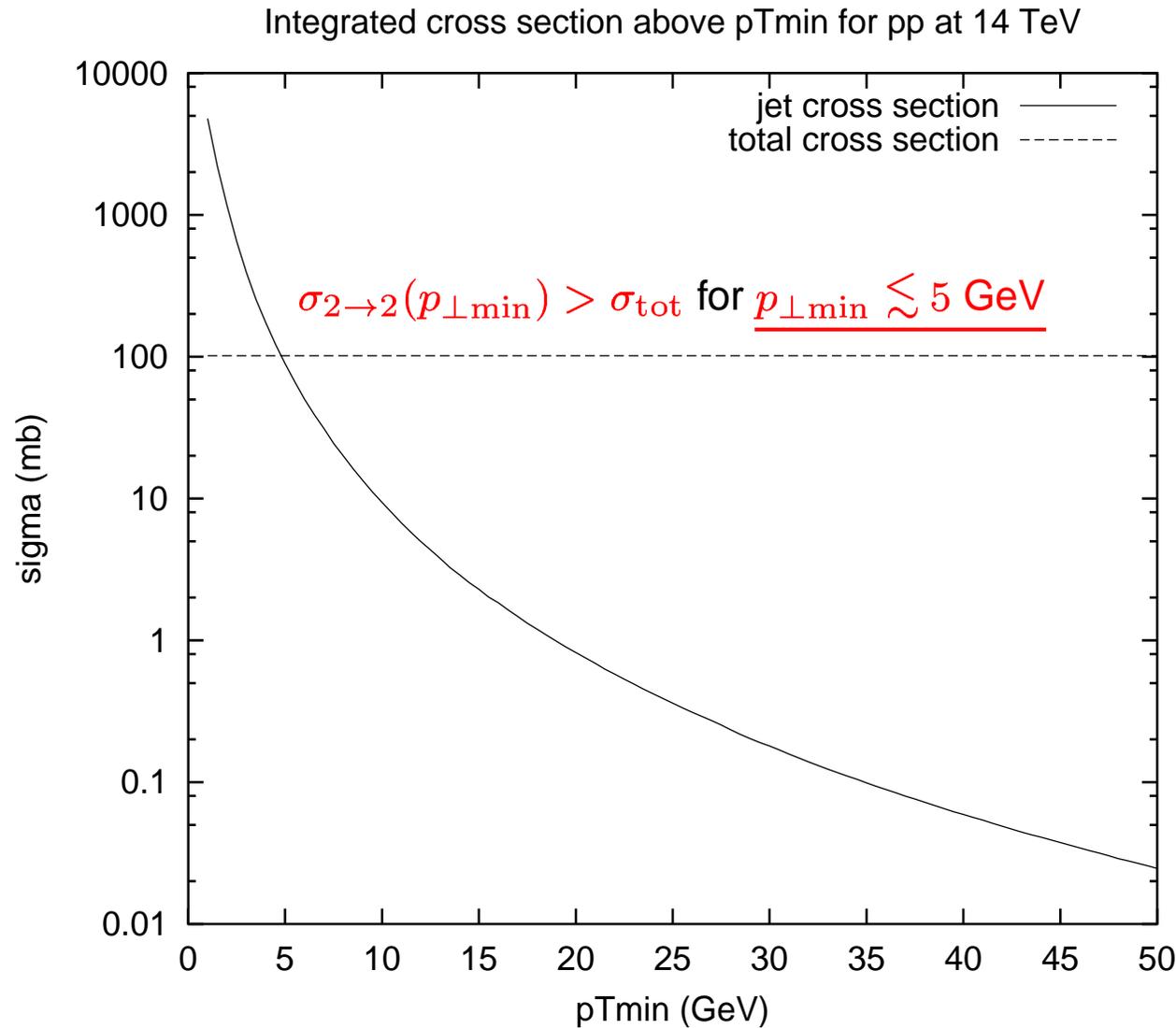
✧ dominated by  $t$ -channel gluon exchange:  $\frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dp_{\perp}^2} \propto \frac{1}{p_{\perp}^4}$

Cross Section is Infrared Divergent:

$$\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2}(p_{\perp \min}) = \int_{p_{\perp \min}}^{\sqrt{s}/2} \frac{d\sigma}{dp_{\perp}} dp_{\perp} \propto \frac{1}{p_{\perp \min}^2}$$

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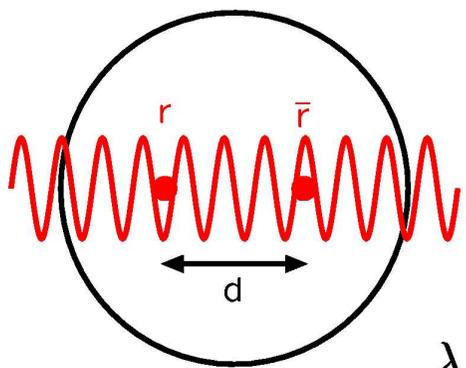


# 2 Reasons...

## 1. Multiple interactions!

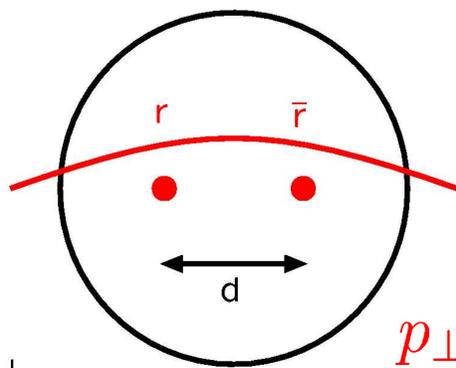
- Simple consequence of composite nature of hadrons. *Must exist!*
- $\sigma_{\text{tot}}$ : **hadron-hadron** collisions.  $\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sigma_n$
- $\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2}$ : **parton-parton** collisions.  $\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n \sigma_n$
- $\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2} > \sigma_{\text{tot}} \iff$  Many interactions / event:  $\langle n \rangle > 1$

## 2. Breakdown of perturbative QCD, colour screening.



resolved

$$\lambda \sim 1/p_{\perp}$$



screened

$$p_{\perp 0} \sim 2 \text{ GeV}$$

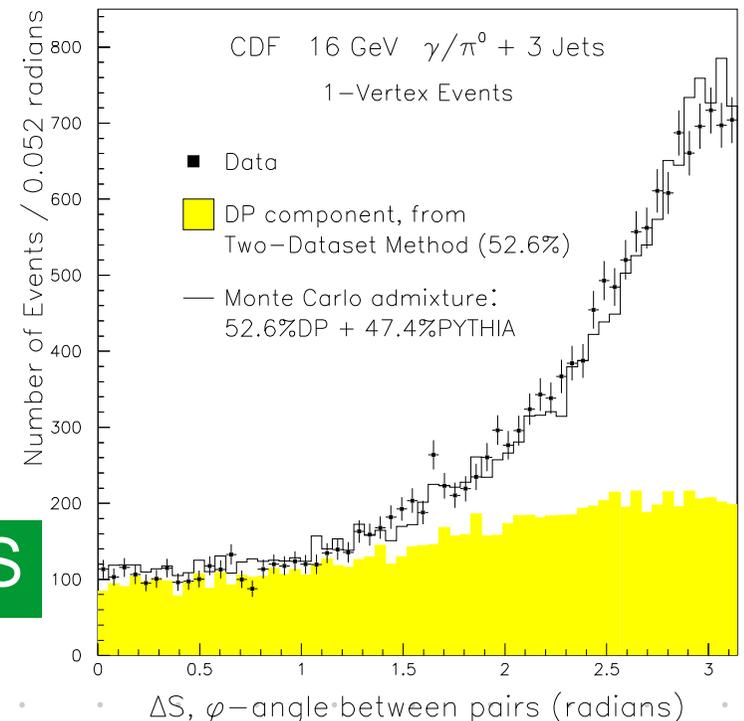
# Direct Verifications

**Basic idea**: expect two pair-wise balancing jets in double parton scattering (DPS) but not in double bremsstrahlung emission.

- **AFS**: 4-jet events at  $E_{\perp} > 4 \text{ GeV}$  in 1.8 units of  $\eta$ . Project out 2 pairs of jets and study **imbancing variable**,  $I = p_{\perp 1}^2 + p_{\perp 2}^2$ . **Excess of events with small  $I$** .

- **CDF**: Extraction by comparing double parton scattering (DPS) to a mix of two separate scatterings. Event sample: 14000  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \gamma/\pi^0 + 3j$  events.

**Strong signal observed, 53% DPS**



# Indirect Verifications

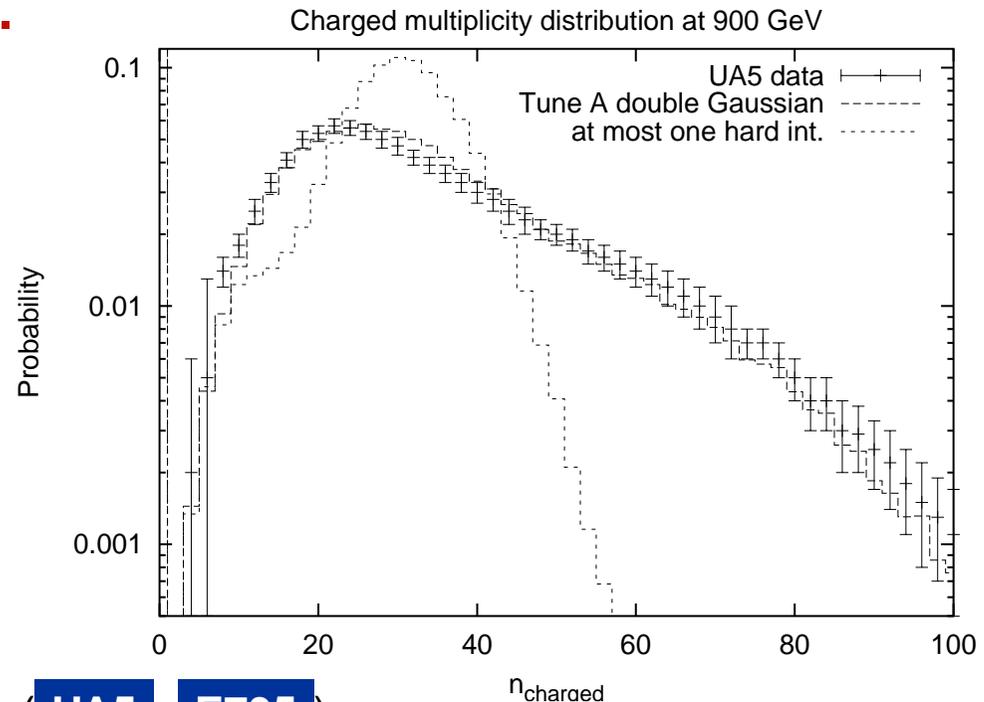
## Basic idea:

- Hadronization alone produces roughly **Poissonian** fluctuations in multiplicity.
- Additional soft interactions can 'mess up' colour flow  
→ **larger fluctuations.**

**UA5**: (900 GeV)

$$\langle n_{\text{ch}} \rangle = 35.6,$$

$$\sigma_{n_{\text{ch}}} = 19.6.$$



- + forward–backward correlations ( **UA5**, **E735** )
- + pedestal effect ( **UA1**, **CDF**, **H1** ), ...

# Why care?

## Multiple Interactions:

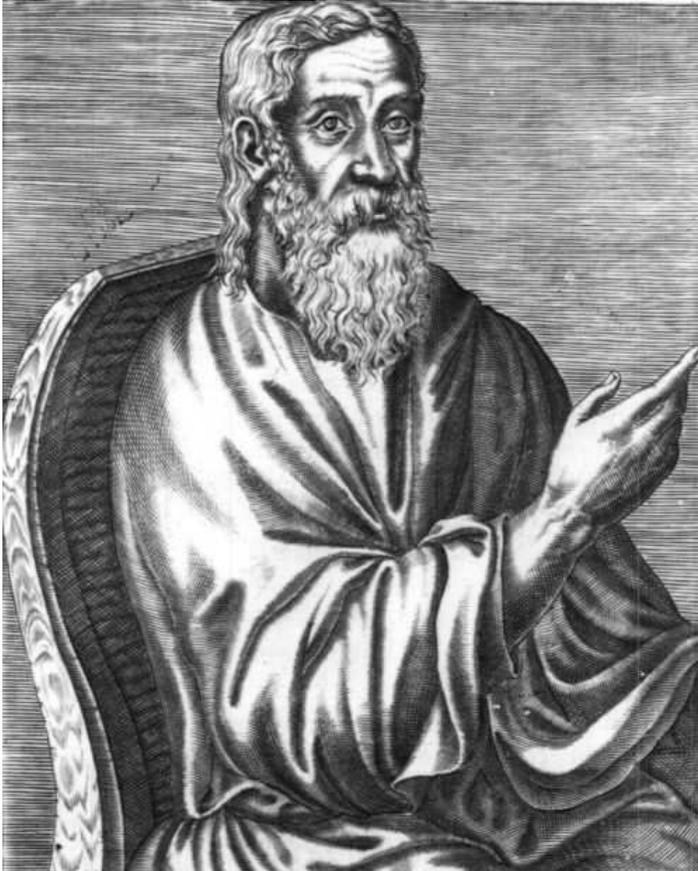
- are guaranteed to exist (+ AFS, UA1, UA5, E735, H1, CDF).
- lead to correlations and fluctuations in activity for which no detailed physics model yet exists.
- even when soft, they can have drastic consequences, by affecting the colour flow.
- when (semi)hard they produce multiple (mini)jets.
- affect jet profiles and jet pedestals.
- give random as well as systematic shifts in jet energies.



precision physics involving jets or underlying events impossible without good understanding of multiple interactions.

# A New Model

## ✦ This talk is about PYTHIA 6.3

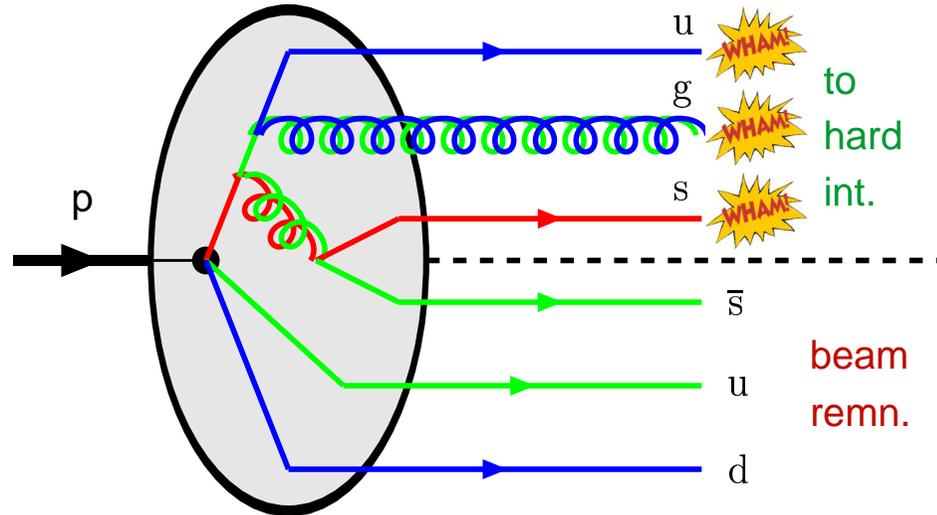


*“A solemn Hellenic assembly had met at Pytho, to celebrate the death of the Pythic serpent (v. 6.2), when Eunomos sang the reptile’s epitaph. Whether his ode was a hymn in praise of the serpent, or a dirge, I am not able to say.”*

[Clement of Alexandria (~ 200 AD): “Exhortation to the Heathen”]



# Towards a realistic model



- How are the hard scattering initiators and beam remnant partons correlated?



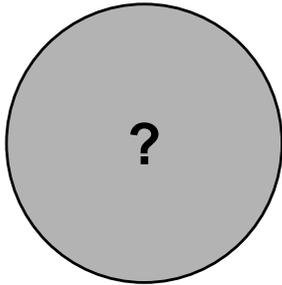
- ➡ In impact parameter?
- ➡ In flavour?
- ➡ In longitudinal momentum?
- ➡ In colour?
- ➡ In (primordial) transverse momentum?



- (How) are the showers correlated / intertwined?

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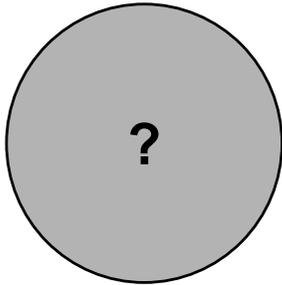
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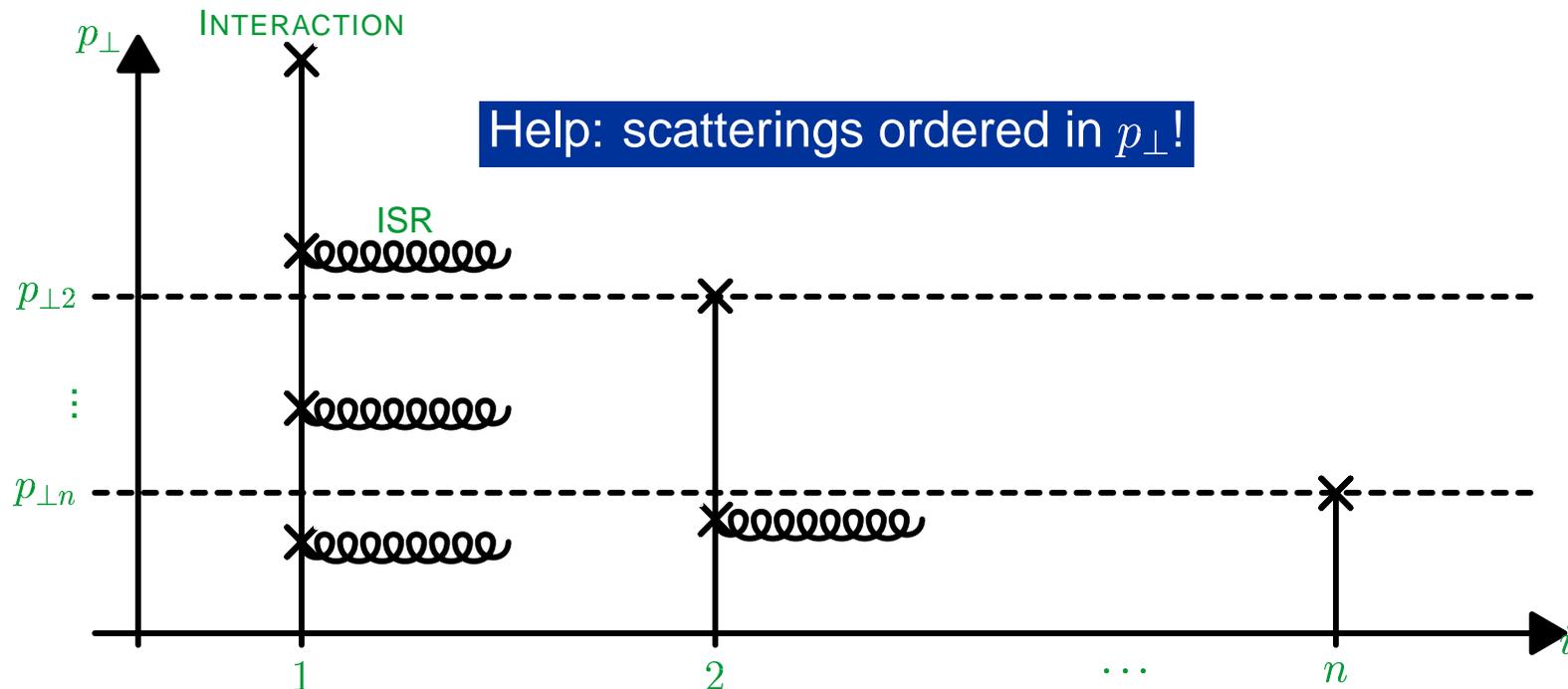
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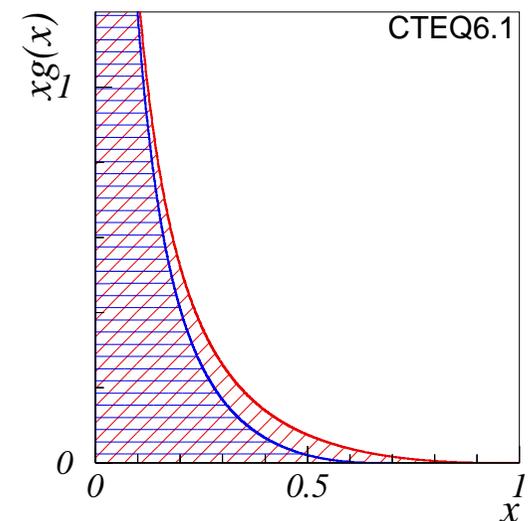
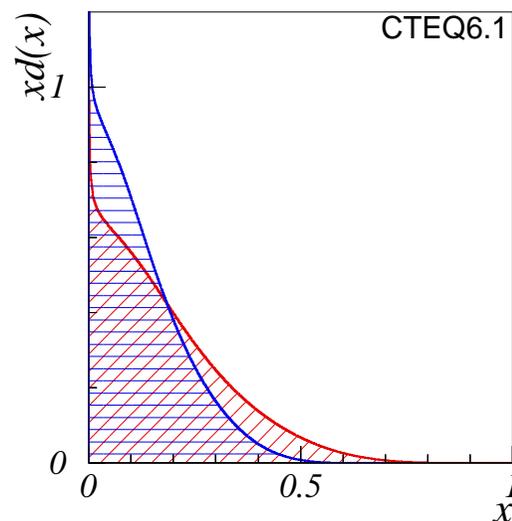
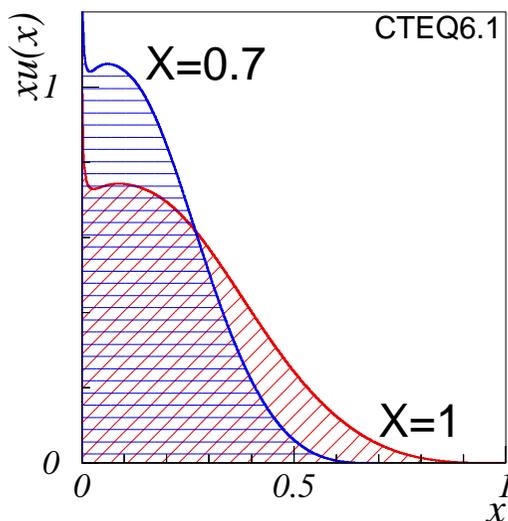
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1. Overall momentum conservation (old):

Starting point: simple scaling ansatz in  $x$ .

For the  $n$ 'th scattering:

$$x \in [0, X] ; X = 1 - \sum_i^{n-1} x_i \implies f_n(x) \sim \frac{1}{X} f_0\left(\frac{x}{X}\right)$$



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\_\_\_\_\_ Normalization and shape : \_\_\_\_\_

✧ If **valence** quark knocked out.

→ Impose valence counting rule:  $\int_0^X q_{fn}^{\text{val}}(x, Q^2) dx = N_{fn}^{\text{val}}$ .

✧ If **sea** quark knocked out.

→ Postulate “companion antiquark”:  $\int_0^{1-x_s} q_f^{\text{cmp}}(x; x_s) dx = 1$ .

✧ But then **momentum sum** rule is violated:

$$\int_0^X x \left( \sum_f q_{fn}(x, Q^2) + g_n(x, Q^2) \right) dx \neq X$$

→ Assume **sea+gluon** fluctuates **up** when a valence quark is removed and **down** when a companion quark is added.

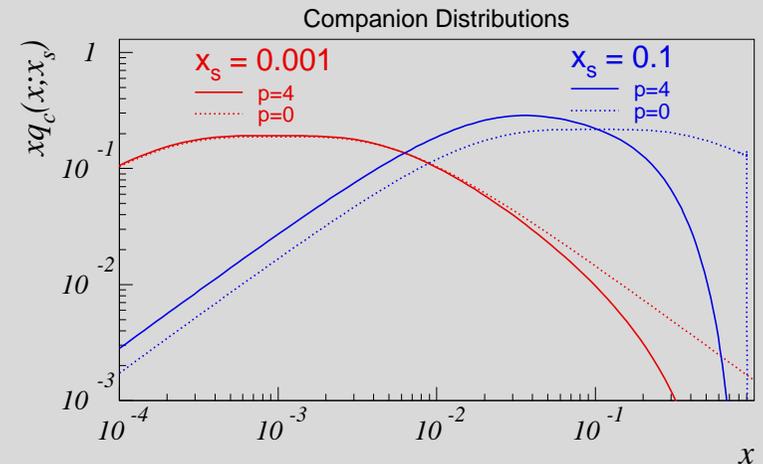
## Remnant PDFs

quarks : 
$$q_{fn}(x) = \frac{1}{X} \left[ \frac{N_{fn}^{\text{val}}}{N_{f0}^{\text{val}}} q_{f0}^{\text{val}} \left( \frac{x}{X}, Q^2 \right) + a q_{f0}^{\text{sea}} \left( \frac{x}{X}, Q^2 \right) + \sum_j q_{f0}^{\text{cmp}j} \left( \frac{x}{X}; x_{s_j} \right) \right]$$

$$q_{f0}^{\text{cmp}}(x; x_s) = C \frac{\tilde{g}(x + x_s)}{x + x_s} P_{g \rightarrow q_f \bar{q}_f} \left( \frac{x_s}{x + x_s} \right) ; \left( \int_0^{1-x_s} q_{f0}^{\text{cmp}}(x; x_s) dx = 1 \right)$$

gluons : 
$$g_n(x) = \frac{a}{X} g_0 \left( \frac{x}{X}, Q^2 \right)$$

$$a = \frac{1 - \sum_f N_{fn}^{\text{val}} \langle x_{f0}^{\text{val}} \rangle - \sum_{f,j} \langle x_{f0}^{\text{cmp}j} \rangle}{1 - \sum_f N_{f0}^{\text{val}} \langle x_{f0}^{\text{val}} \rangle}$$



Used to select a  $p_{\perp}$ -ordered sequence of hard  $2 \rightarrow 2$  scatterings, and to perform backwards DGLAP shower evolution.

# Intermezzo 1: exit perturbation theory

## Perturbation theory got us:

- A set of interactions, with showers, starting from  $k_{\perp} = 0$  initiator partons.
- A set of partons left behind in the beam remnants, with only flavours known at this point (by flavour conservation).
- A total  $1 - X$  of longitudinal momentum has been removed from each beam remnant.

## Hurdles remaining:

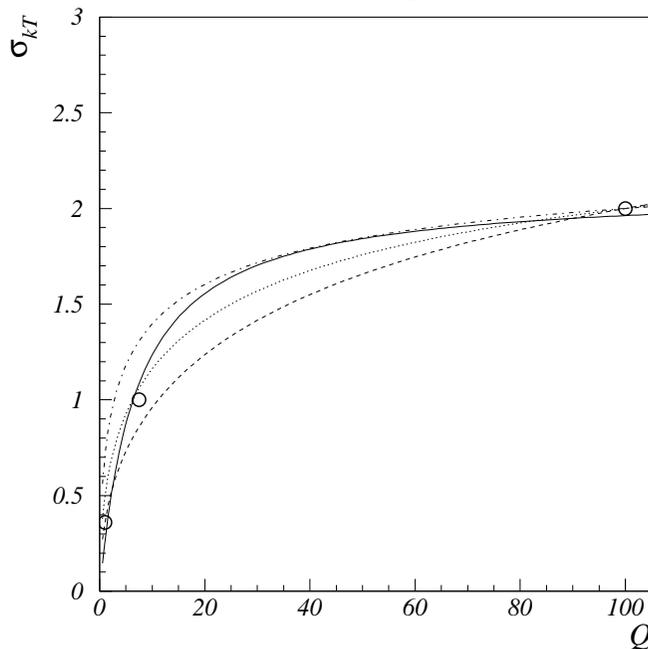
- Confinement effects  $\rightarrow$  primordial  $k_{\perp}$ . How much? Recoils?
- What is the momentum sharing in the remnants?
- How are initiator and remnant partons correlated in colour?
- How do the remnant systems hadronize?

# Confinement and primordial $k_{\perp}$

- Confined wavefunctions  $\rightarrow k_{\perp} = \hbar/r_p \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ .
- Empirically, one notes a need for larger values.

$$\frac{d^2 N}{dk_x dk_y} \propto e^{-k_{\perp}^2/\sigma^2(Q)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(1 \text{ GeV}) &\approx 0.36 \text{ GeV (had.)} \\ \sigma(10 \text{ GeV}) &\approx 1 \text{ GeV (EMC)} \\ \sigma(m_Z) &\approx 2 \text{ GeV (Tevatron)} \end{aligned}$$



Solid:  $\frac{2.1Q}{7 + Q}$  (hardcoded default)

Dashed:  $\frac{4\sqrt{Q}}{10 + \sqrt{Q}}$

Dotted:  $\frac{3\sqrt{Q}}{5 + \sqrt{Q}}$

Dot-dashed:  $\frac{2.5\sqrt{Q}}{2.5 + \sqrt{Q}}$

- **Recoils**: along colour neighbours (or chain of neighbours) or onto all initiators and beam remnant partons equally. ( $k_z$  rescaled to maintain energy conservation.)

# Sharing of $x_{rem}$ in beam remnant

Each hard scattering subsystem has light-cone momenta:

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_+ &= \gamma(E_1^{CM(z)} + E_2^{CM(z)}) + \gamma\beta(E_1^{CMz} + E_2^{CMz}) \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta} \left( \hat{s} + (\vec{p}_\perp^{(1)} + \vec{p}_\perp^{(2)})^2 \right)} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{x_1}{x_2}} \sqrt{\hat{s}_\perp} \\
 p_- &= \gamma(1-\beta)(E_1^{CM(z)} + E_2^{CM(z)}) = \sqrt{\frac{x_2}{x_1}} \sqrt{\hat{s}_\perp}
 \end{aligned}$$

Remaining light-cone momenta available for BR:

$$p_{rem}^+ = \sqrt{s} - \sum_i \sqrt{\frac{x_i^{(+)} x_i^{(-)}}{x_i} \left( \hat{s}_i + (\vec{p}_{\perp i}^{(+)} + \vec{p}_{\perp i}^{(-)})^2 \right)} \quad ; \quad p_{rem}^- = \sqrt{s} - \sum_i \sqrt{\frac{x_i^{(-)} x_i^{(+)}}{x_i} \left( \hat{s}_i + (\vec{p}_{\perp i}^{(+)} + \vec{p}_{\perp i}^{(-)})^2 \right)}$$

Def: “ $\pm$ ” side BR partons have fractions  $x_{j/k}$  of  $p_{rem}^\pm$ .

- ✧ Assume  $x_{j,k}$  distributed according to ‘remnant’ pdf’s and fragmentation functions (with  $(E, p)$  conserved).
- ✧ NB: composite BR systems (w. pion/gluon clouds?)  $\rightarrow$  larger  $x$ ?

# Intermezzo 2: now it gets tougher

## We have arrived at:

- A set of  $p_{\perp}$ -ordered interactions, with showers, taking into account non-zero primordial  $k_{\perp}$  effects.
- A set of partons left behind in the beam remnants, whose flavours are known and whose kinematics have been worked out (i.e.  $x$  and  $\vec{k}_{\perp}$ ).

## But life grants nothing to us mortals without hard work

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# Hadronization of Remnant Systems

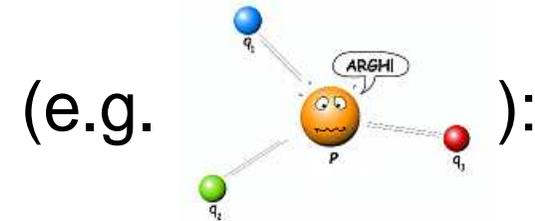
- Imagine placing a stick o' dynamite inside a proton, imparting the 3 valence quarks with large momenta relative to each other.

'Ordinary' colour topology

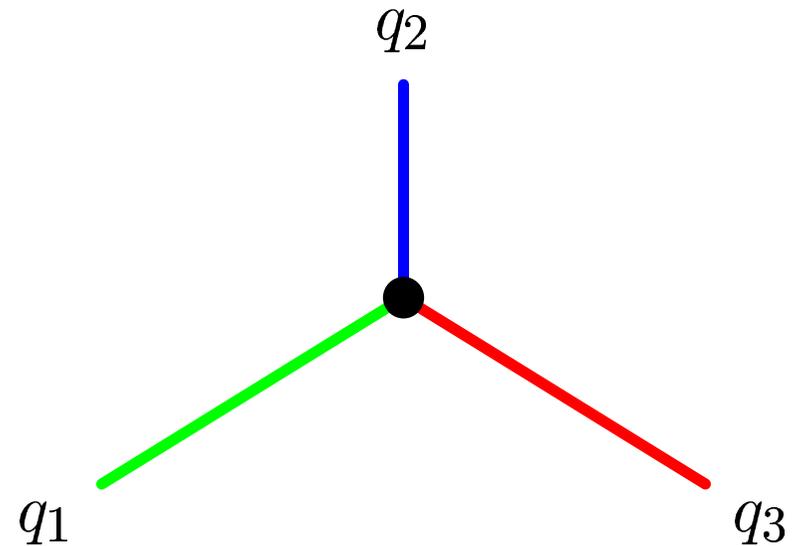
(e.g.  $Z^0 \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ ):



'Baryonic' colour topology



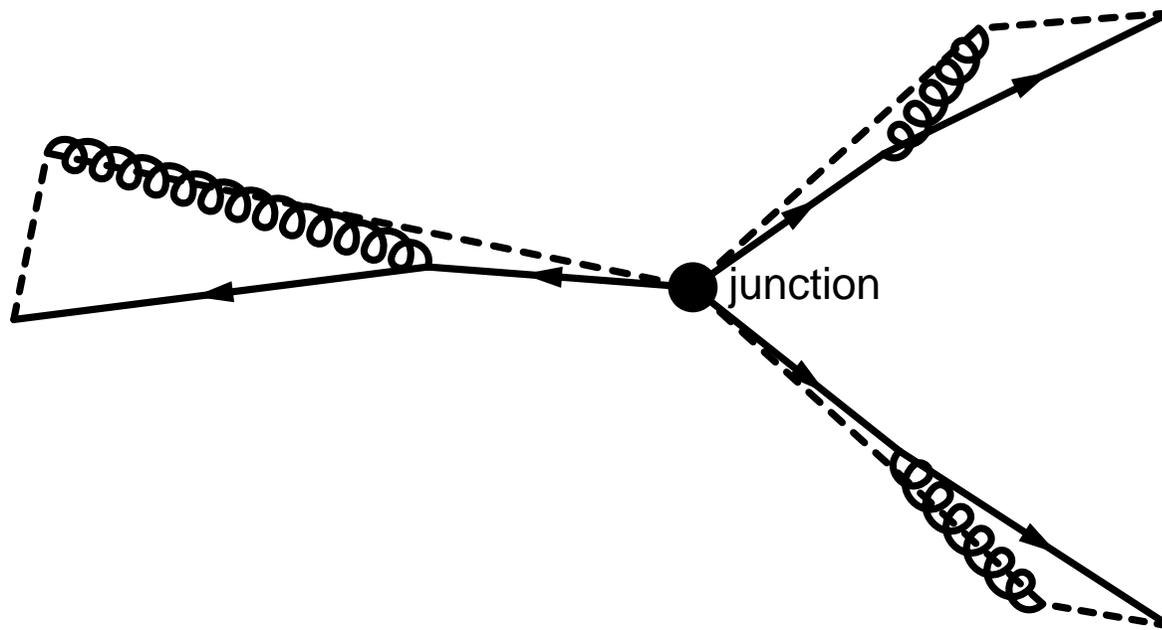
(e.g. )::



- Need to extend string model to handle baryonic topology.

# String Junctions

- Fundamental properties of QCD vacuum suggest **string picture still applicable**.
- Baryon wavefunction building and string energy minimization  $\implies$  picture of 3 string pieces meeting at a **'string junction'**.



(Warning: This picture was drawn in a “pedagogical projection” where distances close to the center are greatly exaggerated!)

# Junction Fragmentation

## How does the junction move?

- A junction is a **topological feature** of the string confinement field:  $V(r) = \kappa r$ . Each string piece acts on the other two with **a constant force**,  $\kappa \vec{e}_r$ .
- $\implies$  in **junction rest frame (JRF)** the angle is **120°** between the string pieces.
- Or better, **'pull vectors'** lie at 120°:

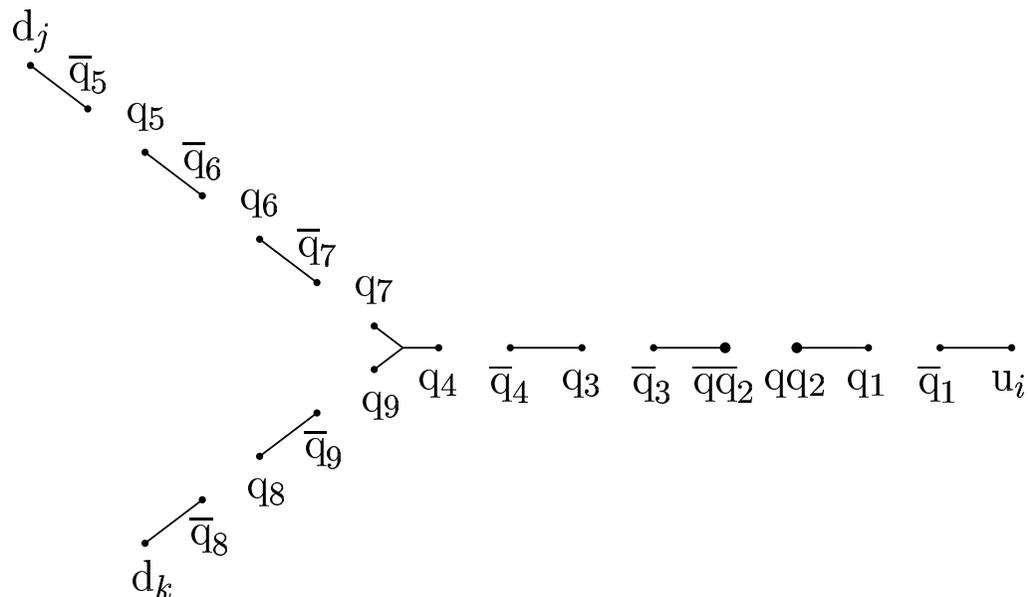
$$p_{\text{pull}}^\mu = \sum_{i=1, N} p_i^\mu e^{-\sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \frac{E_j}{\kappa}}$$

(since soft gluons 'eaten' by string)

- Note: the junction motion also determines the baryon number flow!

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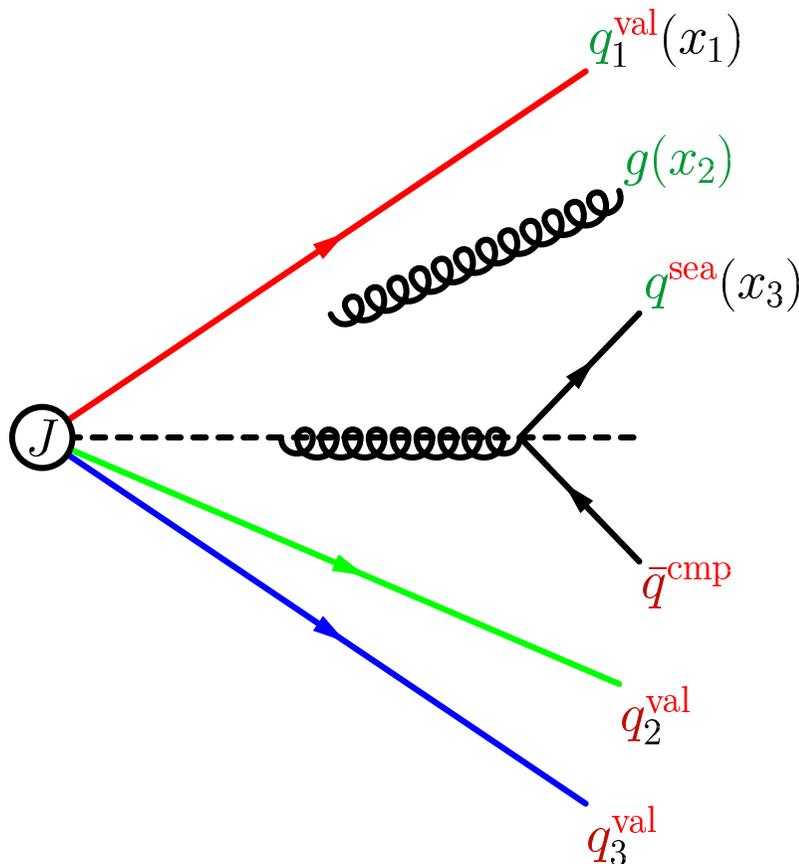
## How does the system fragment?



- First 2 pieces fragmented outwards—in, **junction baryon** formed around junction, last string piece fragmented as ordinary  $q\bar{q}$  string.
- NB: Other topologies also possible (**junction–junction strings, junction–junction annihilation**).

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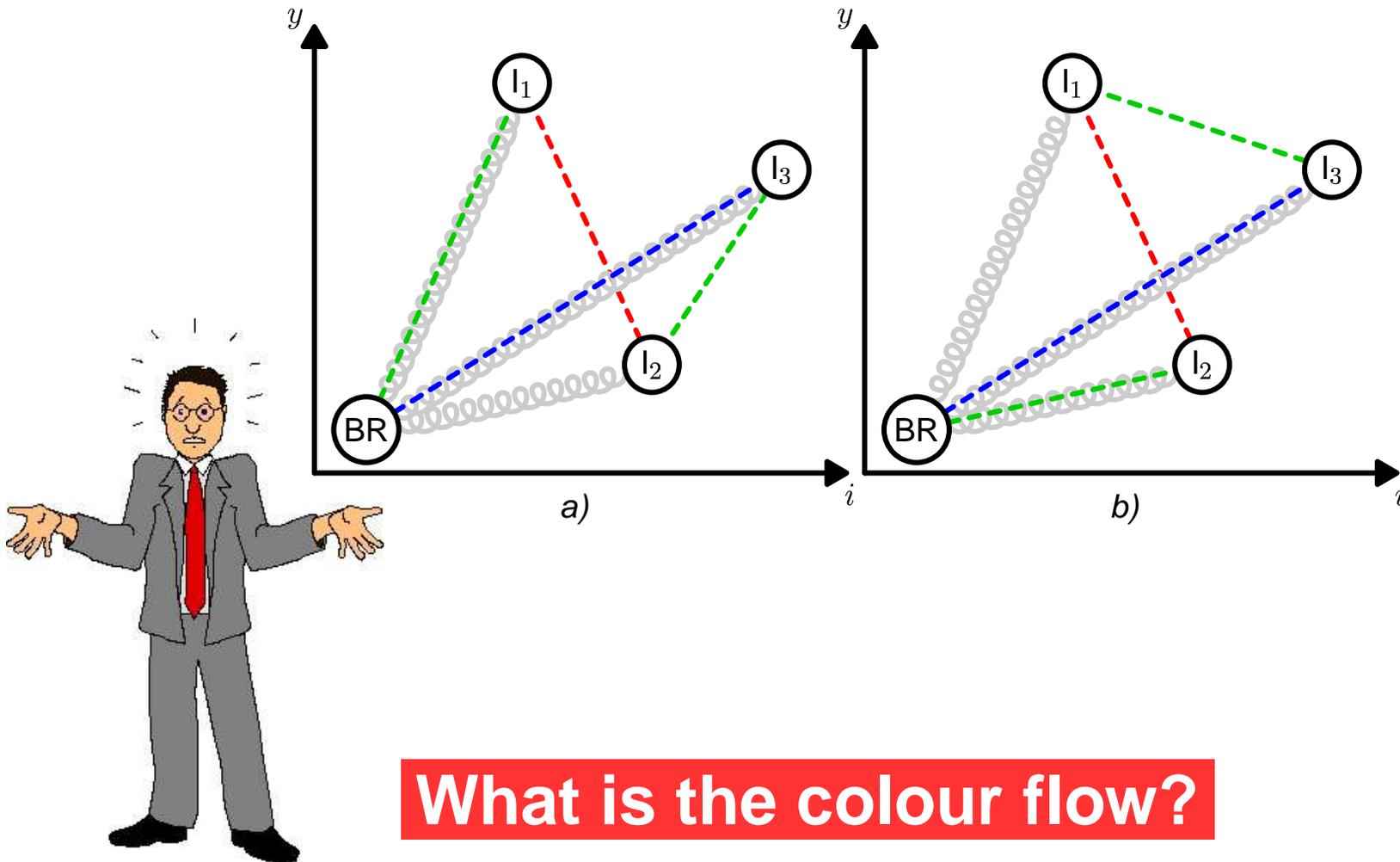
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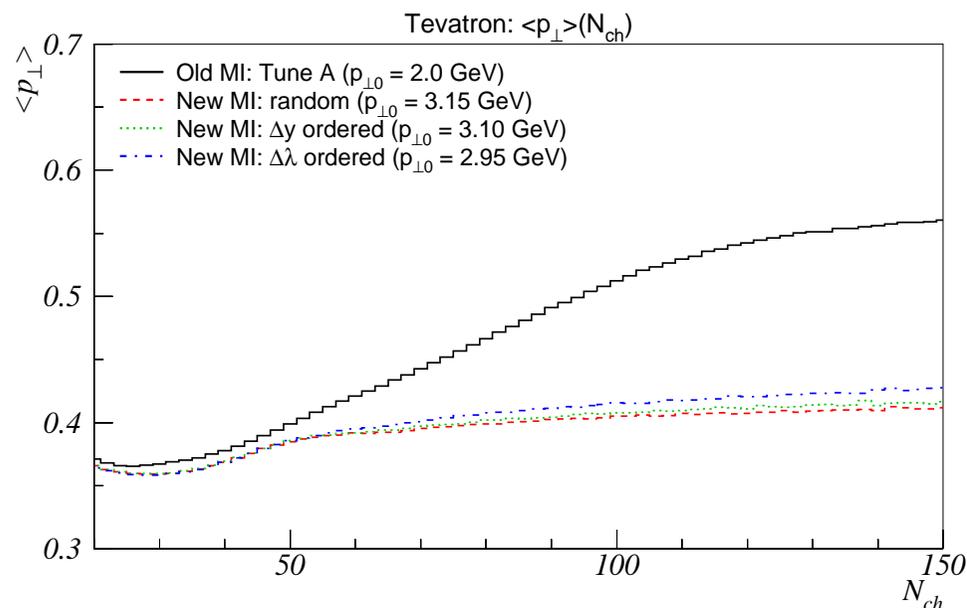
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## Possible ordering mechanisms:

- Always require **physical colour flow** (e.g. no singlet  $g$ ).
- Simplest ordering is random, but gives *very* large multiplicity increase per interaction *and* **large baryon number stopping**.
- Tune A indicates that nature favours small increases in string length over large ones → **try 'smarter' ways of connecting initial state colours**.
  1. **Random** (but with suppression of remnant breakups)
  2. Ordering of connections by rapidity,  **$\Delta y$** .
  3. Ordering by approximate string length,  **$\Delta \lambda$** .

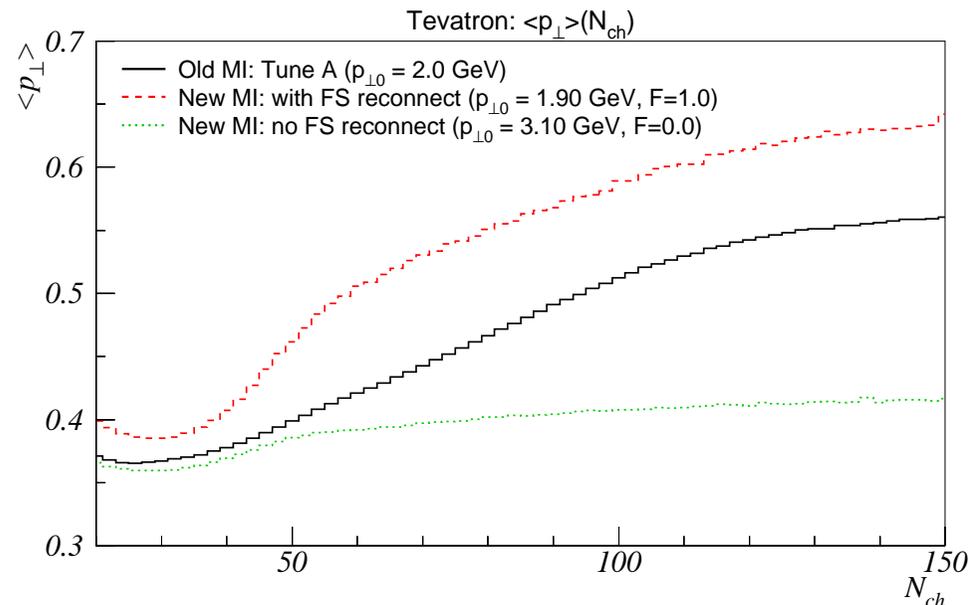
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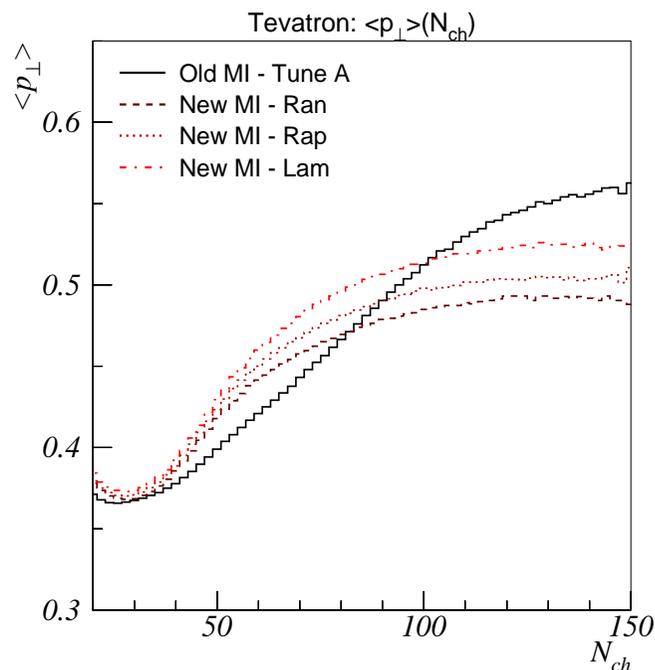
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- $\rightarrow$  intertwined showers and/or FS reconnections?

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➡ **Overwhelming amount of data confirms basic idea.**  
(AFS, UA1, UA5, E735, H1, CDF)

**Much  
remains  
uncertain!**

- ★  $p_{\perp\min}/p_{\perp 0}$  cutoff.
- ★ Impact parameter dependence.
- ★ Energy dependence.
- ★ Multiparton densities in incoming hadrons.
- ★ Colour correlations and colour reconnections.
- ★ Interferences between showers.

➡ **Important to understand for hadronic collisions.**  
(+ extensions to diffractive topologies, baryon flow in heavy ion collisions, and to meson/photon beams are imaginable.)

➡ A new physical model for detailed studies has been developed; available in PYTHIA 6.3. Right now, we're concentrating on figuring out how to hook up those colour strings...

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