

# Particle Physics for Specialists

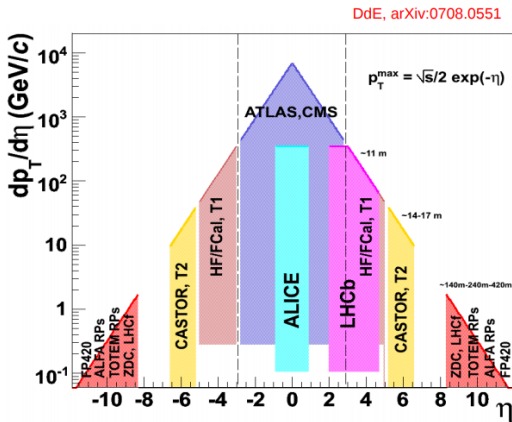
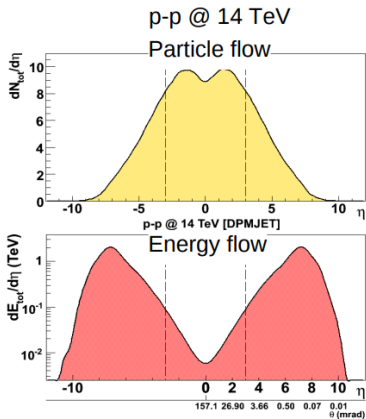
Forward Physics

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# Introduction



David d'Enterria, arXiv:0708.0551

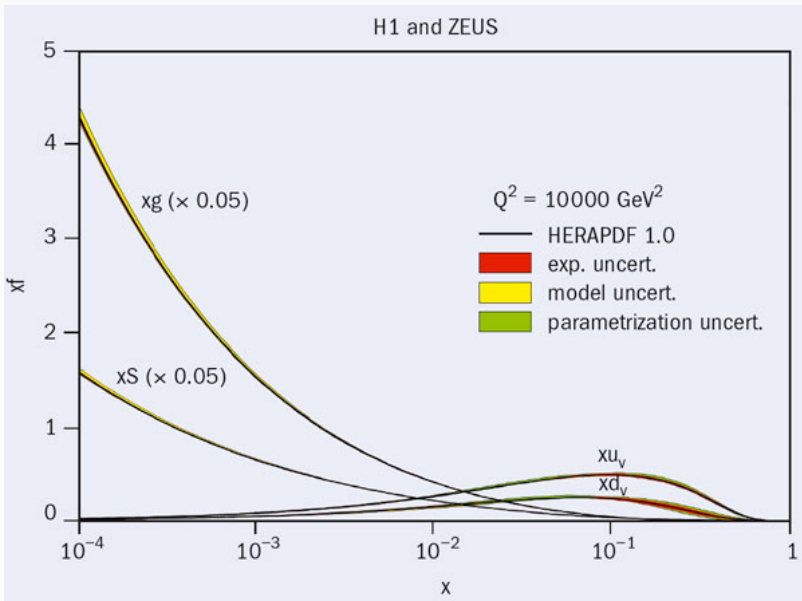
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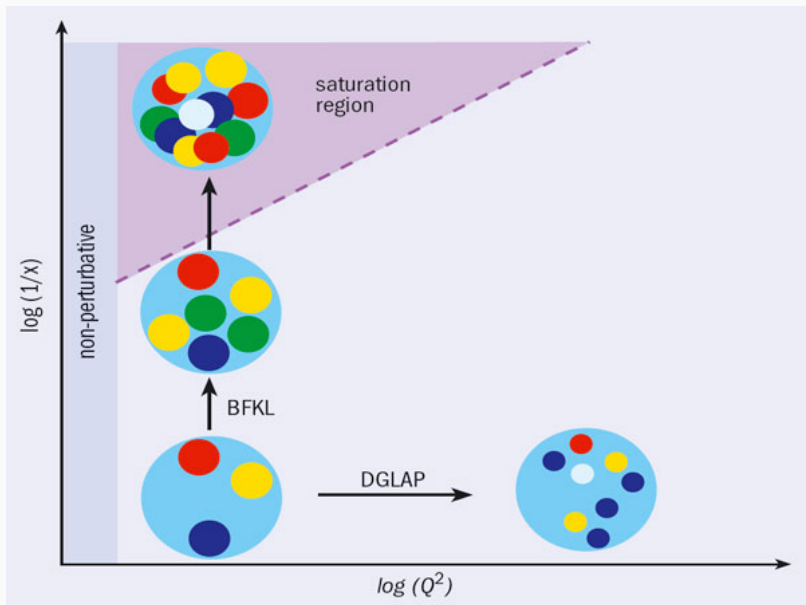
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# Gluons at low x



# Saturation



# Underlying event

- Complex structure of hadron-hadron interaction
- Underlying event – activity in addition to the hard interaction:
  - initial state radiation
  - final state radiation
  - multiple parton interaction
  - colour reconnections with beam remnants
- Non-perturbative effects
- No clear soft/hard separation
- Phenomenological model in MC generators
- A need for tuning to experimental data

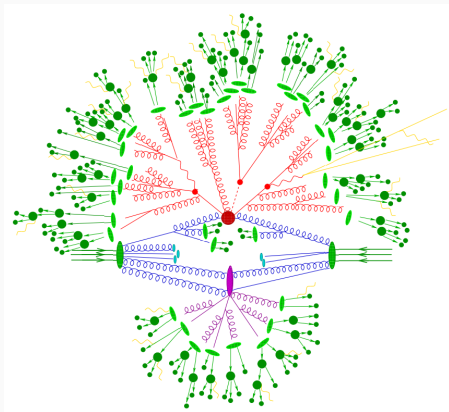
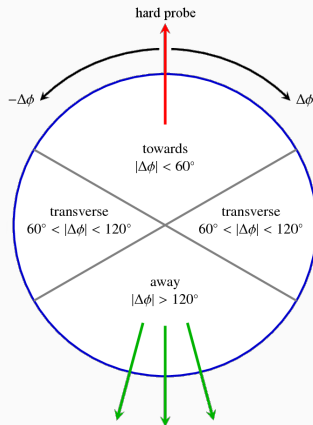


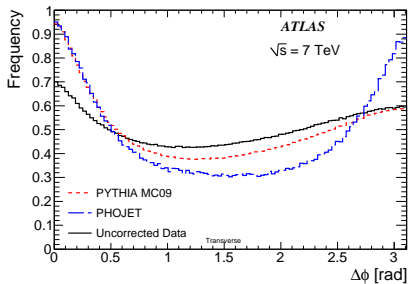
Figure from [arXiv:1411.4085]

# Principle of the measurements

- Regions in  $\phi$  defined w.r.t. the direction of the hard object
- Transverse region – sensitive to UE
- Two transverse regions  $\rightarrow$  trans-min and trans-max (distinguished on the event-by-event basis according to  $\sum p_T$ )
- UE observables:
  - $N_{\text{ch}}/\delta\eta\delta\phi$
  - $\sum p_T/\delta\eta\delta\phi$
  - Mean  $p_T$



# Results from inclusive $p\bar{p}$ interactions



- $\Delta\phi$  distribution initially not well described by MC
- Flattening of  $p_T$  dependence: entering dense region in proton

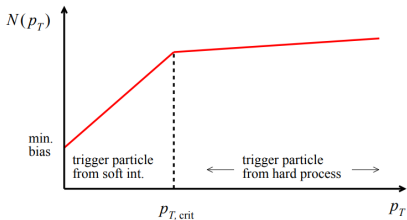
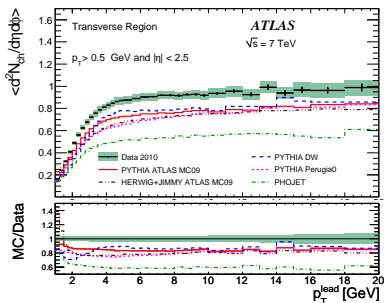


FIG. 6. Schematic illustration of the expected dependence of the transverse multiplicity,  $N(p_T)$ , on the  $p_T$  of the trigger.



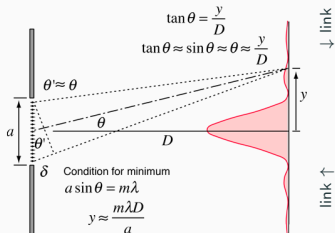
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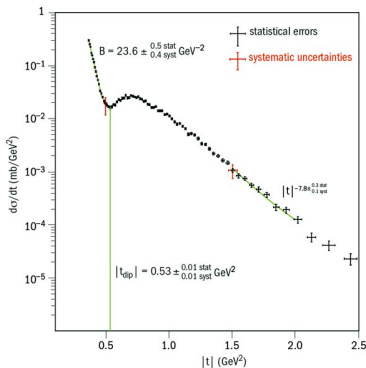
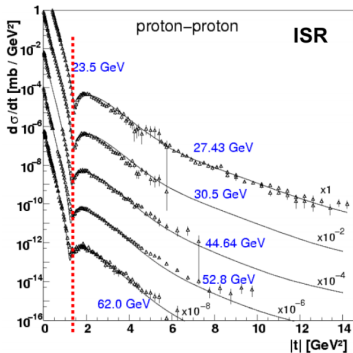
# Diffraction in particle physics



• Slit

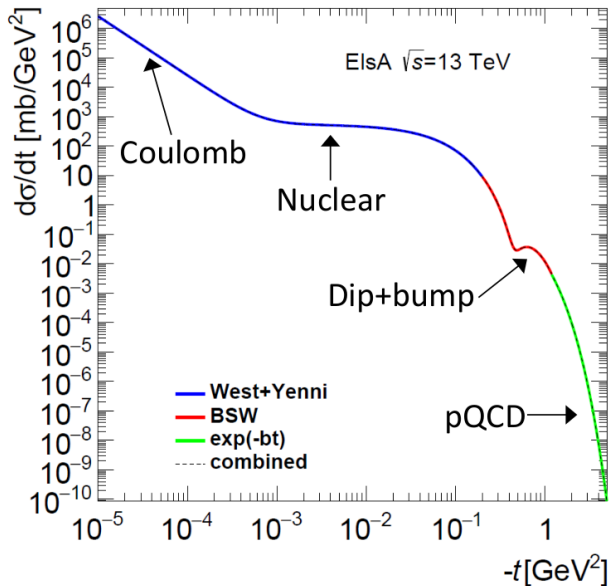


• Wire



$$t \approx p^2 \theta^2$$

# Physics of elastic scattering



# Scattering angle vs impact parameters

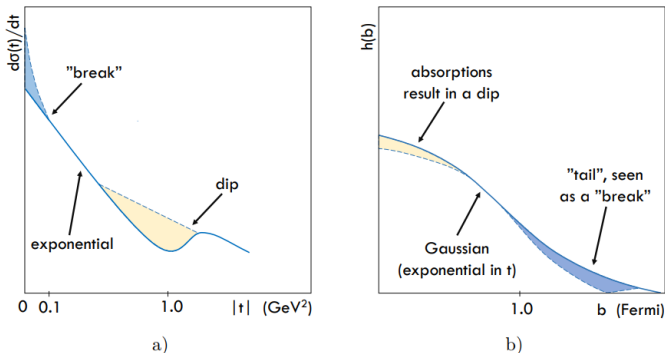


Figure 1: Schematic (qualitative) view of the "break", followed by the diffraction minimum ("dip"), shown both as function in  $t$  and its Fourier transform (impact parameter representation), in  $b$ . While the "break" reflects the presence of the pion "atmosphere" (clouding) around the nucleon at peripheral values of  $b$ , the dip results from absorption corrections, suppressing the impact parameter amplitude at small  $b$ .

# Proton hollowness

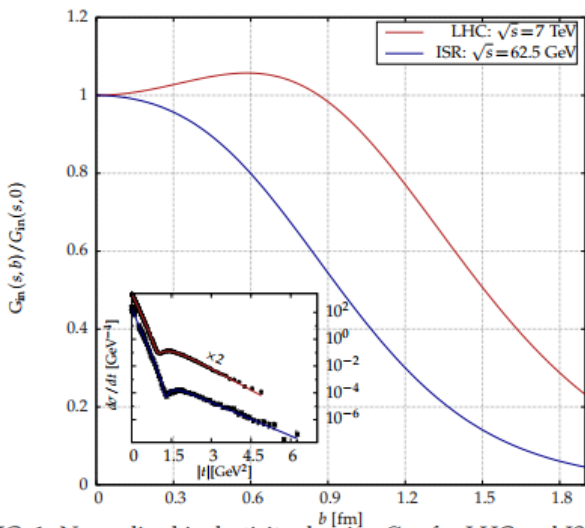


FIG. 1: Normalised inelasticity density,  $G_{in}$ , for LHC and ISR energies as a function of the impact parameter. Sub-panel: fits to  $d\sigma_{el}/dt$  data.

## S matrix and the Optical Theorem

$$\sum_n P(i \rightarrow n) = 1 = \sum_n |\langle n|S|i\rangle|^2 = \sum_n \langle i|S^\dagger|n\rangle \langle n|S|i\rangle = \langle i|S^\dagger S|i\rangle = 1$$

true for any  $|i\rangle$ , so  $S^\dagger S = I$ . Introduce trans matrix  $T$ :  $S = I + iT$

$$(I - iT^\dagger)(I + iT) = I$$

$$i(T^\dagger - T) = T^\dagger T$$

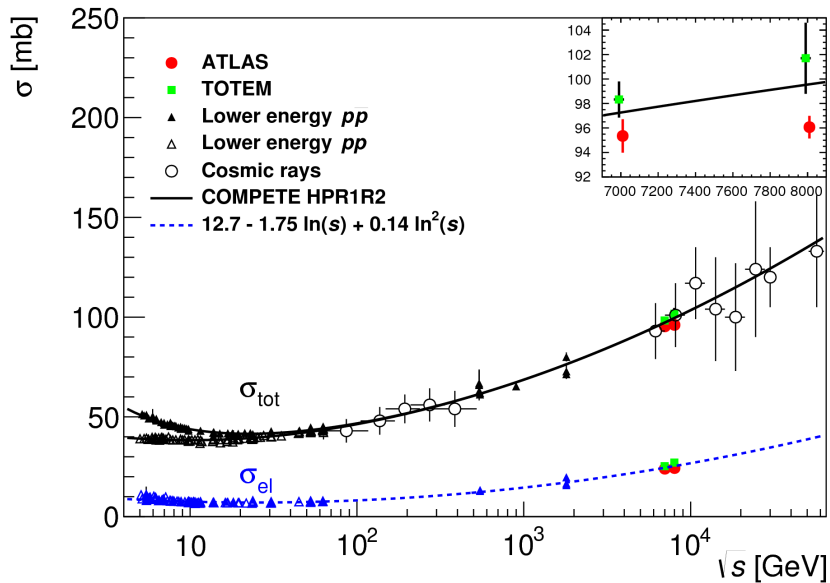
$$i\langle f|T^\dagger - T|i\rangle = \sum_n \langle f|T^\dagger|n\rangle \langle n|T|i\rangle$$

$$2 \operatorname{Im}T(i \rightarrow f) = \sum_n \langle n|T^*|f\rangle \langle n|T|i\rangle$$

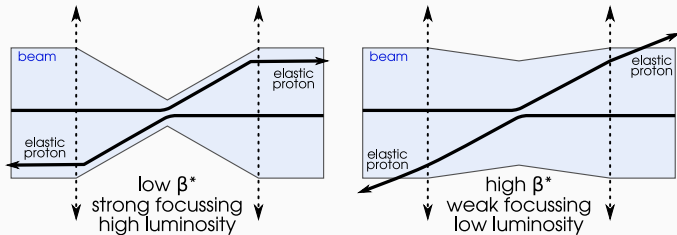
put  $f = i$ , forward elastic scatt.  $\rightarrow$  Optical theorem

$$2 \operatorname{Im}T_{\text{el}}(t = 0) = \sum_n |T(i \rightarrow n)|^2 = \sigma_{\text{tot}}$$

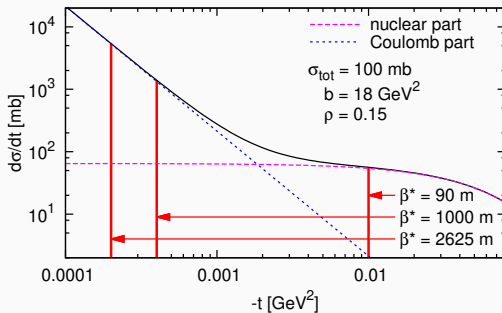
# Total cross section



# High- $\beta$ optics

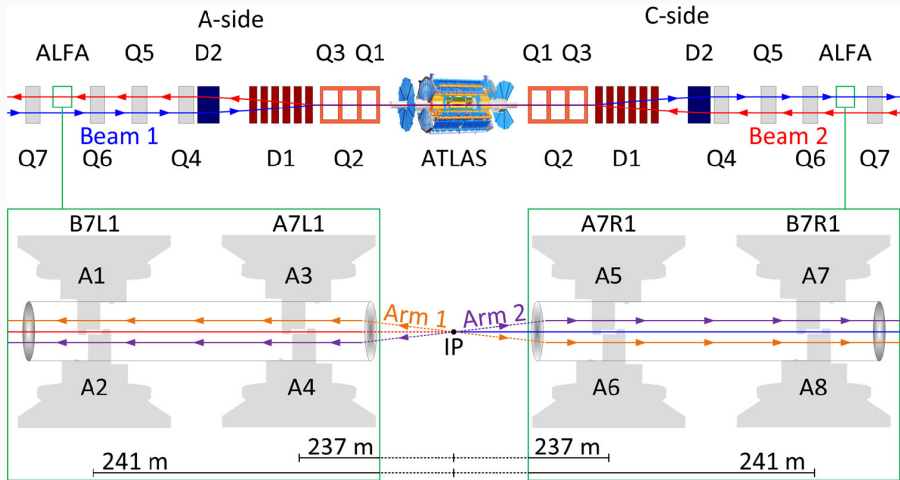


Elastic cross-section

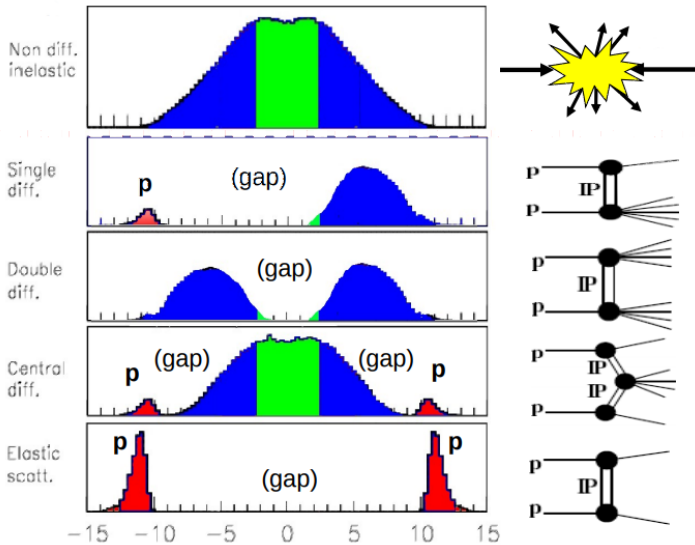




# ALFA Detectors



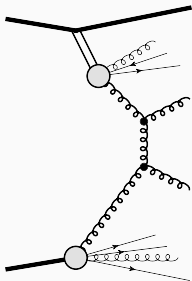
# Diffractive processes



# Hard diffraction

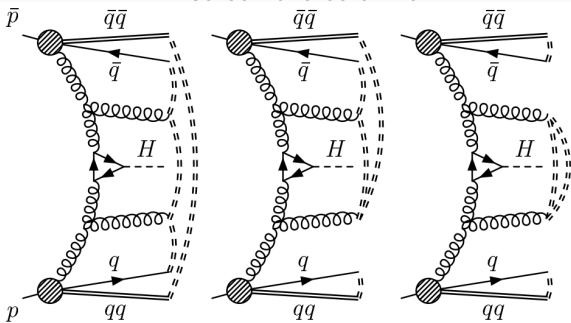
## Resolved pomeron

- Ingelman-Schlein model
- pomeron has partonic structure

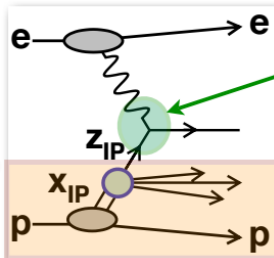


## Soft colour interactions

- QCD-inspired model
- additional gluon exchanges screen the color flow



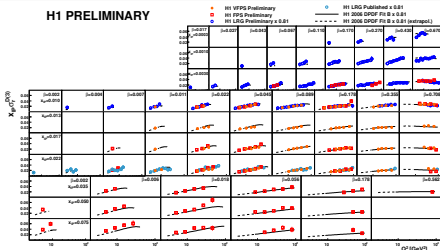
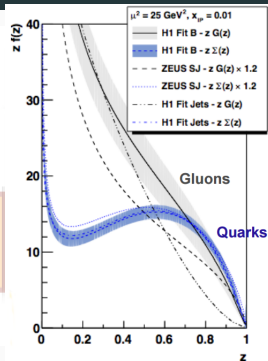
# HERA: Diffractive PDFs



- ▶ hard scattering matrix element
- ▶ process dependent

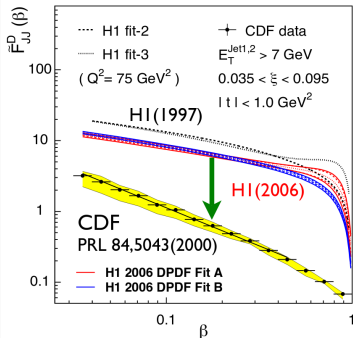
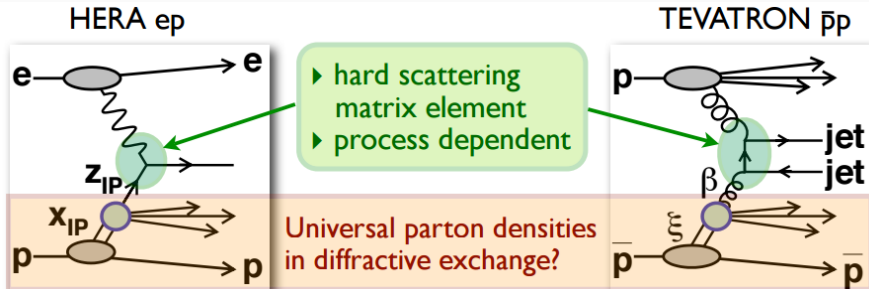
Universal parton densities in diffractive exchange

Proved by J. Collins PRD 57,3051(1998)



- QCD fits
- dominated by gluons

# Factorisation breaking



- Hard diffractive events rarer than naive extrapolations from HERA
- Suppression factor: gap survival probability
- Origin: additional interactions
- Confirmed in many processes

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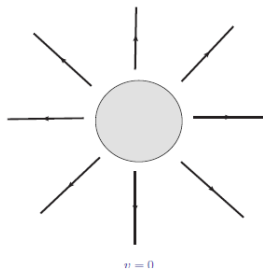
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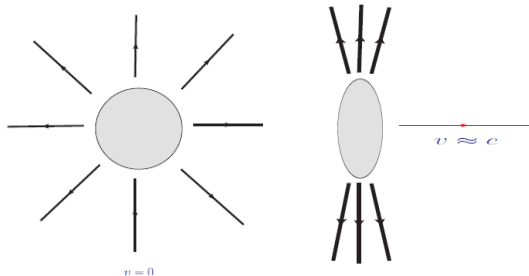
- Consider a charged nucleus at rest. The associated electromagnetic field can be represented by:



(slides from Victor Gonçalves)

# Equivalent photons

- As a charged nucleus moves with nearly the speed of light, the electromagnetic field becomes transverse to its velocity.

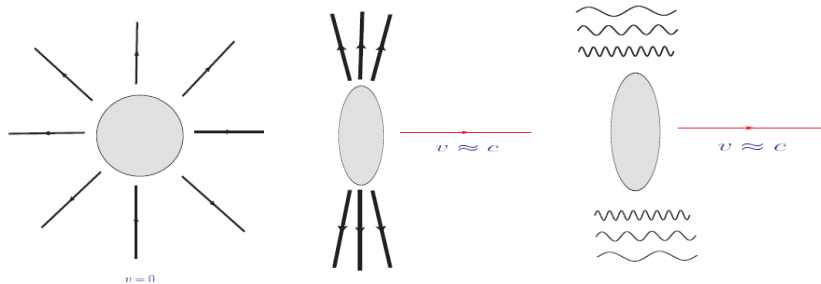


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# Equivalent photons

- Since the electric and magnetic field associated to the nucleus take on the same absolute value, this transverse electromagnetic field can be simulated by an equivalent swarm of photons <sup>a</sup>.

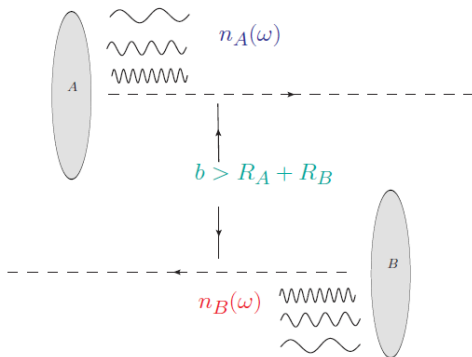


<sup>a</sup>E. Fermi (1924), E. J. Williams (1933), C. F. Von Weizacker (1934)

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# Equivalent photons

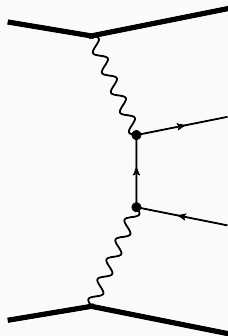
- Thus the collision of two charged nuclei at large impact parameter can be described as the collision of two equivalent swarms of photons.



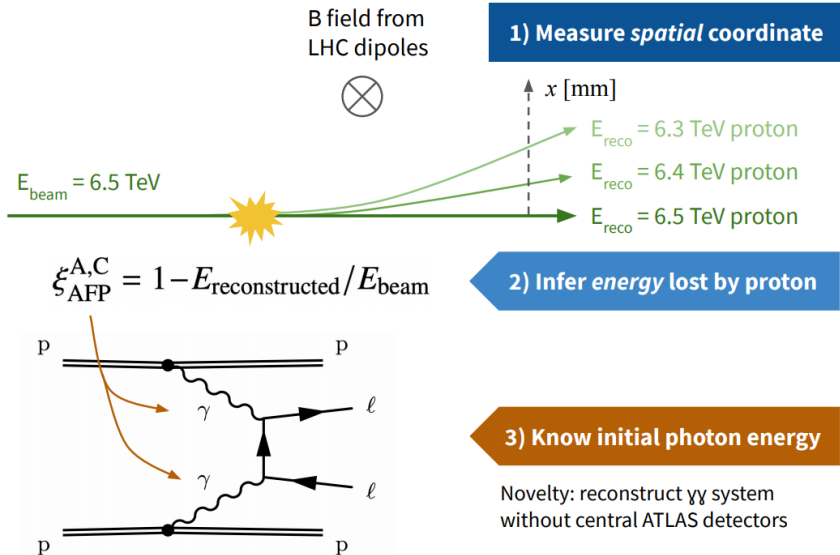
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# Two-photon processes

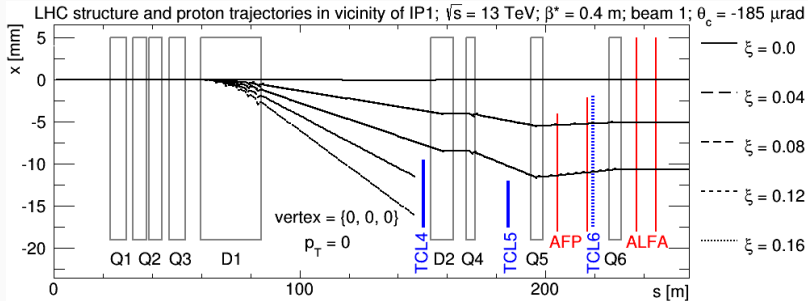
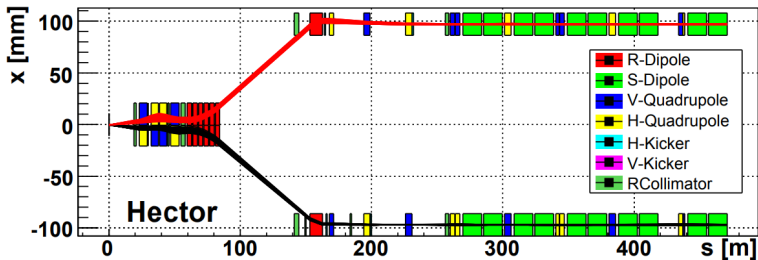
- Two-photon processes can be computed within QED
- Exclusive  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow //$ 
  - Standard candle for photon-induced physics
  - Non-negligible background to Drell-Yan like reactions
- Test of SM  $\gamma WW$  and  $\gamma\gamma WW$  couplings



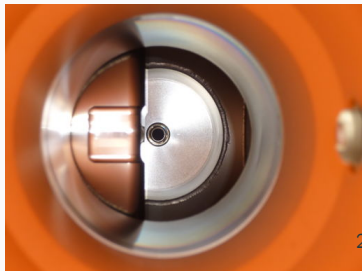
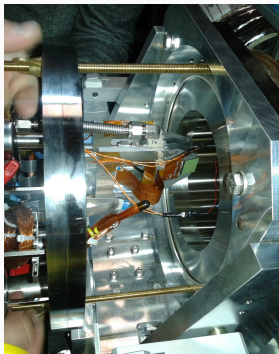
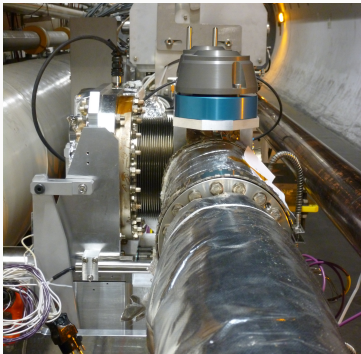
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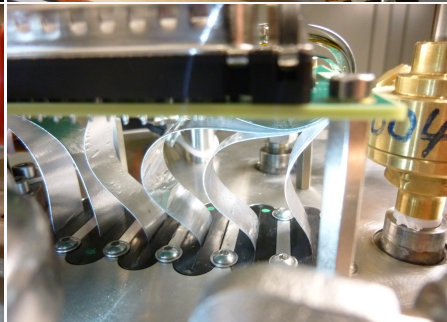
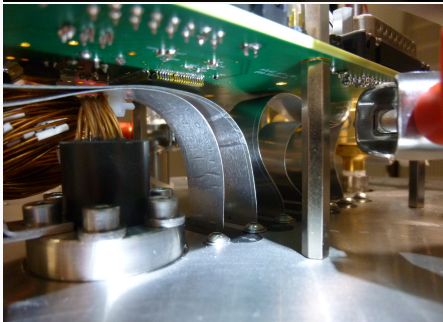
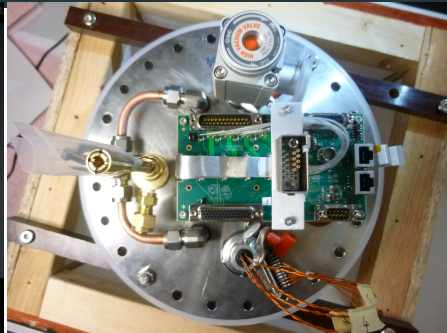
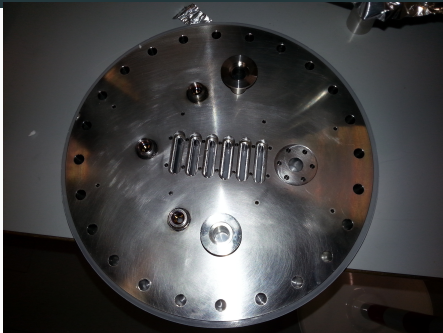
# Trajectories of forward protons



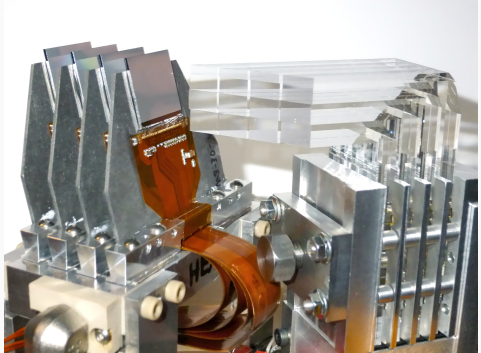
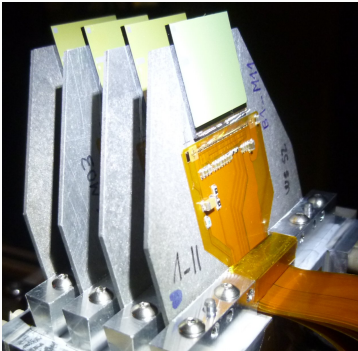
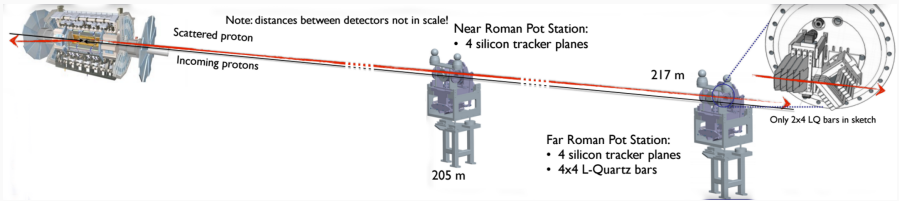
# Roman pots



# Feedthrough flange

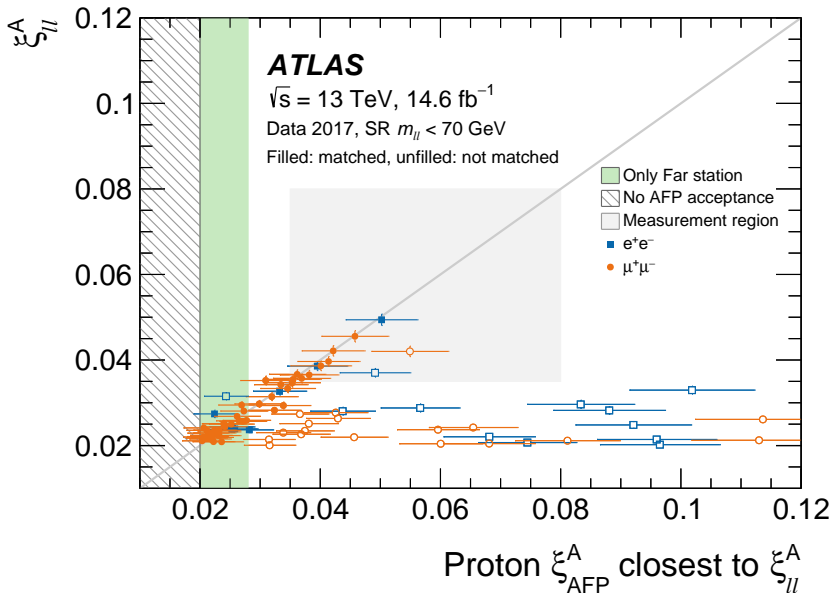


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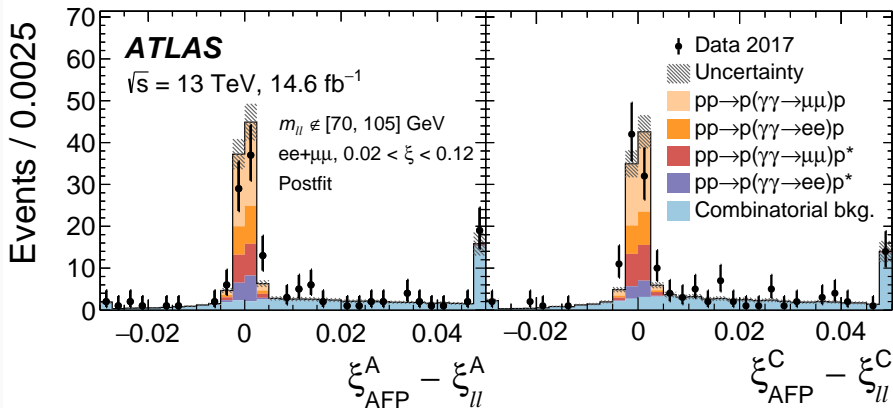




# Kinematic matching



# Signal evidence



## Forward physics

- physics between perturbative and non-perturbative QCD
- wide range of different topics
- standard and dedicated experimental methods