On the low p, cutoff for minijet production

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But: min-bias pp interactions are dominated by peripheral collisions

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$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{pp}^{4jet(DPS)}(s, p_t^{cut}) =$$

 $\frac{1}{2} \left[d^2 h \left[C_{t} \otimes \sigma^{2 \to 2} \otimes C_{t} \right]^2 \right]$





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 \Rightarrow usual 'minijet' ansatz (neglecting the 'soft' contribution)

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- one has to create parton 'clumps' to enhance peripheral multiple scattering (without changing the transverse profile)
 - can be done via 'soft' & 'hard' parton splitting mechanisms







RFT scheme based on a 'general Pomeron' (soft + semihard)

- regarding jet production: similar to the 'minijet' approach
- parton GPDs at the Q_0^2 scale: described by soft Pomeron





Real change due to Pomeron-Pomeron interactions (scattering of intermediate partons off the proj./target hadrons & off each other)





Pomeron-Pomeron interaction: a closer look

- basic assumption: multi-P vertices – dominated by soft (|q²| < Q₀²) parton processes
- generates parton 'clumping' [SO & Bleicher, 2016]



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Generic property: thanks to AGK cancellations, collinear factorization preserved for inclusive jet cross section

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Can only be cured by parton saturation?

- parton emission at low x & low q²: compensated by fusion of partons
- nobody doubts the mechanism but does it play the main role here?


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Alternative: contact term between scattered parton & 1st gluon

- ⇒ 1st gluon belongs to the same nucleon
- ⇒ subdominant contribution (no A-enhancement)



Power corrections to
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 $f_I(x,Q^2) \rightarrow f_I(x,Q^2) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-xC_I \pi^2 \alpha_s/Q^2)^n}{n!} \frac{d^n T_I^{(n+1)}(x)}{d^n x}$
• $C_a = 4/3, \ C_a = 3$

$$\begin{split} T_q^{(2)}(x) &= \int \frac{dy^-}{4\pi} \frac{dy^-_{g_1} dy^-_{g_2}}{2\pi} \, e^{ip^+ xy^-} \, \Theta(y^-_{g_2}), \Theta(y^-_{g_1} - y^-) \\ &\times d^\perp_{\alpha\beta} \langle p | \bar{\psi}(0) \, \gamma^+ \, F^\alpha_+(y^-_{g_2}) \, F^\beta_+(y^-_{g_1}) \, \psi(y^-) | p \rangle \\ T_g^{(2)}(x) &= \int \frac{dy^-}{4\pi} \frac{dy^-_{g_1} dy^-_{g_2}}{2\pi} \, e^{ip^+ xy^-} \, \Theta(y^-_{g_2}), \Theta(y^-_{g_1} - y^-) \\ &\times d^\perp_{\alpha\beta} d^\perp_{\mu\nu} \langle p | F^\mu_+(0) \, \gamma^+ \, F^\alpha_+(y^-_{g_2}) \, F^\beta_+(y^-_{g_1}) \, F^\nu_+(y^-) | p \rangle \end{split}$$

• higher powers - inserting more gluon pairs

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