## Central Diffraction at the LHC - an Update

#### - acceptance & central mass resolution

- bench mark process:  $pp \rightarrow p + X + p$ 

#### The process: $pp \rightarrow p + H + p$



## Event Characteristics: $d\sigma/dt \& \xi_{min}$

 $-t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ 

 $\xi$  acceptance?



## Event Characteristics: Where do the decay b-jets go?



#### CMS tracking is extended by forward telescopes on both sides of the IP



#### - A microstation (T3) at 19m is an option.

Important part of the phase space is **not** covered by the generic designs at LHC. **TOTEM**  $\oplus$  **CMS** Covers more than any previous experiment at a hadron collider.



In the forward region ( $|\eta| > 5$ ): few particles with large energies/small transverse momenta.

## Leading proton studies at low $\beta^*$

GOAL: New particle states in Exclusive DPE

- L > few  $\cdot 10^{32}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> for cross sections of ~ fb (like Higgs)
- Measure <u>both</u> protons to reduce background from inclusive
- Measure jets in central detector to reduce gg background

#### Challenges:

- M  $\sim$  100 GeV  $\Rightarrow$  need acceptance down to  $\xi 's$  of a few ‰
- Pile-up events tend to destroy rapidity gaps  $\Rightarrow$  L < few  $\cdot 10^{33}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>
- $\bullet$  Pair of leading protons  $\Rightarrow$  central mass resolution  $\Rightarrow$  background rejection

#### A 140 GeV Higgs as a bench mark.

A study by the Helsinki group in TOTEM.

## Leading proton acceptance & resolution studies

- pp  $\rightarrow$  p + X + p simulated using PHOJET1.12
- Protons tracked through LHC6.2 optics using MAD8

Uncertainties included in the study:

- Initial conditions at the interaction point
  - Transverse vertex position ( $\sigma_{x,y} = 16 \rightarrow 11 \ \mu m$ ),  $\sigma_{x,y} = 16 \rightarrow 11 \ \mu m$ ),  $\sigma_{x,y} = 16 \rightarrow 11 \ \mu m$ ),  $\sigma_{x,y} = 10^{-4}$ ) Beam divergence ( $\sigma_{\theta} = 30 \ \mu rad$ ) ions at detector location
- Conditions at detector location
  - Position resolution of detector ( $\sigma_{x,y}$  = 10  $\mu$ m)
  - Resolution of beam position determination ( $\sigma_{xy} = 5 \mu m$ )
  - Off-sets at detector locations

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## Uncertainties of The Initial Conditions

#### LHC beams

- beam energy spread (RF, field values, ground movement...)
- resolution of the beam position measurement
- absolute beam position

#### Interaction vertex

- spread of the coordinates (x,y,z)
- uncertainty of the scattering angle

# The Experimental Signatures: $pp \rightarrow p + X + p$

vertex position in the transverse plane?
 b-jet
 Detector
 P<sub>1</sub>'
 P<sub>1</sub>'
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#### Aim at measuring the:

- Leading protons on both sides down to  $\Delta\xi\approx$  1‰
- Rapidity gaps on both sides forward activity for  $|\eta|$  > 5
- Central activity in CMS

Need to Measure Inelastic Activity and Leading Protons over Extended Acceptance in  $\eta$ ,  $\xi$ ,  $\phi$  and -t. Measurement stations (RP's/ $\mu$ S's) at locations optimized vs. the LHC beam optics. Both sides of the IP.



Measure the <u>deviation</u> of the leading proton location from the nominal beam axis ( $\Rightarrow \xi$ ) and the angle between the two measurement locations ( $\Rightarrow$ -t) within a doublet.

Acceptance is limited by the <u>distance</u> of a detector to the beam. Resolution is limited by the <u>transverse vx location</u> (small  $\xi$ ) and by <u>beam energy spread</u> (large  $\xi$ ).

For Higgs, SUSY etc. heavier states need LP4,5 at 300-400m!



## Potential locations for measuring the leading protons from O(100 GeV) mass DPE.



#### LHC Beams

Energy spread:

 $-\sigma_{E}$  = 1.1·10<sup>-4</sup> (fill-to-fill variation  $\leq$  10<sup>-4</sup>, magnets can be controlled to 10<sup>-6</sup>!)

Beam position resolution:

- given by the BPM's to 5  $\mu\text{m}$
- Absolute beam position:
- introduces an offset  ${\approx}10\mu\text{m}$

#### **Interaction Vertex**

Spread of the coordinates:  $\begin{cases} \sigma_x \approx \sigma_y \approx 16 \ \mu m \Rightarrow \text{Interaction Spot} \approx 11 \ \mu m \\ \sigma_z \approx 5 \text{cm} \ (\text{negligible effect}) \end{cases}$ 

(Note: CMS measures IP independently to  $10\mu m \times 10\mu m \times 15\mu m$ )

a Gaussian in x and y is assumed



Uncertainty of the scattering angle:  $\sigma_{\Theta^* \times, y} \approx 30 \mu rad$  (beam divergence)

• fill-to-fill variations?

• assume that variations in z can be suppressed in off-line analysis

#### **Summary on stability and accuracy**

Contribution	Absolute calibration : rel. accuracy (10 <sup>-4</sup> )	Stability (10 <sup>-4</sup> )
Dipoles	≈ 7	< 1
Quadrupoles	≈ 2	4-5
Others	< 1	< 1

- The momentum is expected to vary by :
  - 4-5 ×10<sup>-4</sup> over a year
  - 1-2 ×10<sup>-4</sup> over 24 hours
- The variations are driven mostly by circumference changes that can be measured / predicted to < 5 × 10<sup>-5</sup> (or better). We can build on the LEP experience !

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#### Detector Distance vs. Beam

Detector distance vs. beam is determined by the beam halo.



$$n_{\sigma} = d_{min} / \sigma_{x,y}(z) \approx 9-15$$

Expected halo rate: 6kHz (for 43 bunches, Np =  $10^{10}$ ,  $\epsilon_N = 1\mu m$ ,  $n_\sigma = 10$ )

Active detector starts at the distance  $\delta$  from the physical edge,  $\delta$  is determined by the guard ring/detector design: *planar* vs. *3D* electrode structures  $\Rightarrow \delta \approx 10-100 \mu m$ 

In this study we use:

 $\begin{cases} n_{\sigma} = 10 \\ \delta = 100 \mu m \end{cases}$ 

#### **Detector Resolution**



Detector resolution ( $\sigma_x = 10\mu m$ ): simulated by smearing the predicted proton hit location according to Gaussian distributions for the two sensor planes per a leading proton detector.

Effect of the spread of the beam position ( $\sigma_{x,y}$  = 5µm) at each detector location: accounted for by smearing the detector coordinates with a Gaussian distribution.

Uncertainty in absolute beam position: an offset of  $10\mu m$  added to the detector coordinates in correlation.

Possible misalignement of the pair of sensor planes: an offset of -10 $\mu$ m introduced for the 2<sup>nd</sup> sensor plane vs. the 1<sup>st</sup> one in each detector location.

## Leading proton acceptance



## Leading Proton Detection





- more than 90% of all diffractive protons are seen!
- $\cdot$  proton momentum can be measured with a resolution of few 10<sup>-3</sup>

#### Dispersion function - low $\beta^*$ optics (CMS IR)



horizontal offset =  $\xi \cdot D_x$  ( $\xi$  = momentum loss)

For a 2.5 mm offset of a  $\xi \sim 0.5$  % proton, need dispersion  $\ge 0.5$  m.  $\Rightarrow$  Proton taggers to be located at > 250 m from the IP (i.e. in a "cryogenic section" of the LHC).

## Momentum loss resolution at 420 m



Resolution improves with increasing momentum loss Dominant effect: transverse vertex position (at small momentum loss) and beam energy spread (at large momentum loss, 420 m)/detector resolution (at large momentum loss, 215 m & 308/338 m)

## Mass Acceptance



#### Mass resolution at the 308m and 420m locations





 $M_{\times}$  = 140 GeV

$$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$$
 = 1.2%  $\rightarrow$  0.9%

$$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$$
 = 1.3%  $\rightarrow$  1.0%



$$M_{\rm X} = 140 \; \text{GeV}$$
   
 
$$\Delta\sigma/\sigma = 6.4\% \rightarrow 4.6\%$$

## Conclusions

 $pp \rightarrow p$  + X + p is an excellent bench mark process for forward physics!

Need to retain **experimental approach** with the challenges of (1) detectors beyond 250m, (2) acceptance.

Ongoing further work concentrates on:

- Updating central mass acceptance & resolution studies
- Improvements in acceptance: Asymmetric pairs
- Improvements in resolution: Independent IP measurement
- Tagging/triggering
- $-H \rightarrow W^+W^-$
- Novel analysis methods DLM

## Triggering diffractive events at low $\beta^*$

#### Basic trigger conditions for diffractive events

- TOTEM LvL-1 leading proton available at < 220 m from IP, only.
- Asymmetric proton pairs yield worse mass resolution
  - $\Rightarrow$  for the central states of mass  $\leq$  180 GeV, LvL-1 trigger is independent of the leading protons.

• CMS LvL-1 trigger based on calorimetry & muon chambers - no track info available at that stage.

•  $E_T$  threshold of inclusive jet trigger is too high to be useful.

• Pile-up likely to destroy some rapidity gaps (~2(20) inelastic events at  $10^{33}(10^{34})$  cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>) & cause accidental leading proton pair events (SD+SD)

• Allowed LvL-1 trigger rate for a special diffractive new particle trigger could be ~500 Hz (?)(out of 100 kHz, no prescaling). MinBias ( $E_T$  > 30 GeV) ~ 0.22 mb  $\Rightarrow$  10<sup>3</sup>/10<sup>4</sup> suppression at 10<sup>33</sup>/10<sup>34</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>

## Case study for a 120 GeV Higgs using topological variables (forward $E_T$ , jet $E_T$ 's, $\eta$ 's & $\phi$ -angles) of the 2-jet final state with a "CMS-like" L1 calorimetry trigger.



- Efficiency includes "usefulness" cuts (protons & b-jets seen)
- Will be repeated with complete CMS trigger simulation
- Improvements should be possible by using also T2 & CASTOR

#### 120 GeV Higgs Level 1 Trigger Selection

Based on combined likelihood functions of:

- Sum(\*) & difference of jet  $E_T$
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  Sum & difference of jet  $\eta$
- Difference of jet phi (\*)
- Forward scalar  $E_T$  (3 <  $\eta$  < 5) ("rapidity gaps") (\*)





Background events (10<sup>6</sup> events) generated by Phojet:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{(4) Non-diffractive:} & pp \rightarrow \mbox{non-diffractive:} \\ \mbox{(5) Single diffractive:} & pp \rightarrow \mbox{pp*} \\ \mbox{(6) Double diffractive:} & pp \rightarrow \mbox{p*p*} \end{array}$ 

The event types (1) - (6) were used to calculate the trigger efficiencies. Both charged and neutral particles were considered.

The protons:	Protons assumed to have ${pprox}1\%$ energy loss and
·	110-140 GeV central mass)
The trigger: (1)	Rapidity gap of at least two units of $\eta$ on each side of
	the event with 2.5 < $ \eta $ < 7.
(2)	) Transverse energy, $E_T$ , is required to be $E_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$
(2)	within $ \eta  < 2.5$ .
(3)	assessed.

Efficiency Budget - Diffractive Higgs Events			
Exclusive diffractive Higgs events (M <sub>H</sub> = 120 GeV)			
• Both protons within acceptance of proton taggers (45 %)			
<ul> <li>Both b-jets within Tracker acceptance ( (need b-tag to reduce gg background)</li> </ul>	η <b> &lt;2.5) (85 %)</b>		
• Br (H→bb)	(in SM ~ 68 %)		
• Efficiency of b-tagging, $\epsilon_{\rm b}$	(ε <sub>b</sub> <sup>2</sup> =(0.77) <sup>2</sup> ~ 60 %)		
• Level 1 trigger efficiency at 10 <sup>33</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	(~ 35 %)		
Total exclusive diffractive Higgs efficiend	cy: (~ 5.5 %)		

Improvements under study: b-tag efficiency & Level 1 trigger efficiency (include other trigger detectors: T2, CASTOR ...)

 $H \rightarrow W^+W^-$  under study...