# Existence of exclusive events?

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- Observation of exclusive events at the Tevatron?
- Exclusive Higgs production: S/B

## "Exclusive models"



# All the energy is used to produce the Higgs (or the dijets), namely $xG \sim \delta$

## **Remarks on quasi-exclusive events**

- Quasi-exclusive events: events for which the pomeron remnant energy is very small and cannot be measured experimentally (cannot be distinguished experimentally from pure exclusive events)
- Cross section: about the same as exclusive events (xG > 0.95), their existence is certain (tail of inclusive distributions but not well constrained yet)
- Quasi-exclusive *b*-jet background: to be added for exclusive background to exclusive signal, Can we apply the  $J_z=0$  rule to those events?????
- Quasi-exclusive and exclusive events: How to measure them at the Tevatron

#### **Existence of exclusive events**

Test of the existence of exclusive events



Dilepton and diphoton cross section ratio as a function of the diphoton/dilepton mass: no dilepton event for exclusive models: change of slope of ratio if exclusive events exist Other methods: ratio b-jets / all jets, compare  $log(1/\xi)$  computed using roman pots and size or rapidity gap since the gap is larger for exclusive events

#### **Existence of exclusive events**

Correlation between size of rapidity gap and  $log1/\xi$  for inclusive and exclusive (or quasi-exclusive) events



# Signal over background

For a Higgs mass of 120 GeV and for different mass windows as a function of the Higgs mass resolution



Signal and background





#### Signal over background

Signal over background for 1 mass window (2 GeV wide) for 100 fb<sup>-1</sup> assuming a Higgs mass resolution of 1 GeV

$M_{Higgs}$	signal	background	S/B	$\sigma$
120	27.1	28.5	0.95	5.1
130	20.6	18.8	1.10	4.8
140	12.6	11.7	1.08	3.7
150	7.0	8.9	0.69	2.3

NB: numbers assuming pots at 200m and 420m, if only tags at 420 m, numbers have to be divided by about 50%

# Conclusion

- Key issue: existence of pure exclusive events: Difficult to demonstrate, difficult to distinguish from pure exclusive events
- Experimental observables:
  - ratio of dilepton to diphoton cross section as a function of dijet mass (very clean but needs high lumi)
  - ratio of b-jet to inclusive jet cross sections
  - size of rapidity gapa vs  $log1/\xi$

does not allow to distinguish between quasi-exclusive and exclusive events

- $J_z=0$  suppression rule? Valid for quasi-exclusive events for soft gluon emission?
- Background to diffractive Higgs: also consider quasi-exclusive background...