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Diffraction Survival Probabilities

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The following issues will be discussed:

- 1) The onset of s-channel unitarity at very high energies (LHC and above).
- 2) The role of multi-Pomeron interactions (Pomeron enhancement).
- 3) Stability of survival probability calculations.

I) Introduction 1

Soft survival probability is a consequence of s-channel unitarity in soft hadron scattering. b-space unitarity equation in a diagonal $l \times l$ representation is:

$$2 \operatorname{Im} a_{ee}(s, b) = |a_{ee}(s, b)|^2 + G^{\text{in}}(s, b)$$

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(s, b) = \sigma_{ee}(s, b) + \sigma_{\text{in}}(s, b)$$

A general solution can be written as:

$$a_{ee}(s, b) = i \left(1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2} \Omega(s, b)} \right)$$

Ω is called opacity.

Generality is maintained as long as Ω is arbitrary. In this case

$$|a_{ee}(s, b)| \leq 2, \text{ and at the bound } G_{\text{in}} = 0,$$

$$\text{i.e. } \sigma_{\text{tot}} = \sigma_{ee}.$$

In the eikonal Glauber approximation a_{ee} is imaginary (Ω is real). In this

case $|a_{ee}(s, b)| \leq 1$, namely - the unitarity bound coincides with the black disc bound.

The second input of the eikonal model is that $\frac{\Omega}{2} = a_{ee}^{\text{input}}$ which may violate unitarity.

The interpretation is that the unitarization of a_{ee}^{in} is achieved through a sequence of repeated elastic rescatterings resulting in a_{ee}^{out} which is unitarized.

An important observation is that

$$G^{in}(s, b) = 1 - e^{-\Omega(s, b)}$$

from which we deduce that $e^{-\Omega}$ is the probability that the two projectiles will reach the final interaction intact regardless of the intermediate rescatterings.

In a single channel model $\sigma_{diff} \ll \sigma_{el}$

and $\sigma_{ee}(s, b) \leq \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{tot}(s, b)$. Regardless,

the unitarization of a hard LRG process

such as $pp \rightarrow p + LRG + \underbrace{2 \text{ hard dijets} + LRG + p}_{JJ \text{ (or Higgs)}}$

leads to the definition of the soft survival probability

$$S_{LRG}^2 = \frac{\sigma_{LRG}^{out}}{\sigma_{LRG}^{in}} = \frac{\int d^2b |M_{LRG}|^2 e^{-\Omega(s, b)}}{\int d^2b |M_{LRG}|^2}$$

In reality, σ_{diff}^{soft} can not be neglected in the rescattering chain. Technically, this leads to a multichannel description at which elastic and diffractive rescatterings take place.

A LRG is an experimental signature that no color was exchanged between the two interacting hadrons (or partons).

Actually, lacking a satisfactory definition of diffraction in hadronic interactions, BJ suggested, years ago, to define diffraction by its signature.

A LRG survival probability is that an intrinsically produced LRG will survive all the way to the detected final state.

S^2 has, in general, a few factorizable components:

- 1) Rescattering of the spectator partons. This is initial state interaction denoted S_S^2 .
- 2) Bremsstrahlung of soft gluons radiated in the intrinsic partonic reaction. This is logarithmically suppressed by the Sudakov factor which is included in the calculation of M_{LRG} .
- 3) Final state corrections are generally ignored. I shall return to this in the continuation.

II Introduction 2

Most (but not all) calculations of the soft survival factor for exclusive central diffractive Higgs production are calculated within multi channel eikonal models. An important signature of such models is that $\sigma_{ee}(s,b) + \sigma_{diff}^{GW}(s,b) \leq \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{tot}(s,b)$

(The Pumpkin bound). Frequently quoted results were produced by GLM (Tel-Aviv) and KMR (Durham), FS (Frankfurt, Strikman et al.). In the above models the soft survival probability for an exclusive LRG final state (hard!) such as exclusive Higgs central production is actually described as a summation of

$$\underbrace{PP \rightarrow (i+\frac{1}{2})}_{\text{soft}} \rightarrow \underbrace{P+LRG+H+LRG+P}_{\text{hard}}$$

Where, $i, \frac{1}{2}$ are the intermediate elastic + diffractive states which are defined and counted differently by GLM and KMR. FS is a single channel model.

The above defines the ingredients of the S_{Higgs}^2 calculation:

- 1) Determination of $\Omega_{i,j}^s$. To this end you have to define a suitable data base.
- 2) Parametrization of the HERA t -dependence F/γ data so as to obtain the profiles $\Gamma_{i,j}^H(s, b)$. The differences between models are not decisive!

As we shall see there are severe differences between the two channel GLM and KMR calculations. FS adopted a different philosophy which I shall not elaborate upon.

Over the last few years GLM, KMR, FS produced essentially identical numbers for S_{Higgs}^2 , even though conceptually different. This pleasant industrial co-existence was shattered in 2007 with GLM and FS predicting $S_{\text{Higgs}}^2 = 0.5 - 0.8\%$ and KMR predicting $S_{\text{Higgs}}^2 = 1.2 - 3.2\%$. This difference initiated a heated debate!

III) The Soft Sector

a) Basic formulation: GLM is a two channel eikonal model where the basic input approximation, compatible with the Good-Walker classical paper, is that all diffractive final states at a vertex are presented by a single diffractive state $|D\rangle$. We have, thus, two orthonormal vertex wave functions $\langle \Psi_h | \Psi_D \rangle = 0$. Corresponding is a 2×2 interaction matrix T . Define its eigen functions Ψ_1, Ψ_2 , then:

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_h &= \alpha \Psi_1 + \beta \Psi_2 \\ \Psi_D &= -\beta \Psi_1 + \alpha \Psi_2 \end{aligned} \quad \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1$$

Corresponding are 4 amplitudes $A_{i, \frac{1}{2}}$. Each satisfies a diagonal unitarity equation

$$2 \operatorname{Im} A_{i, \frac{1}{2}}(s, b) = |A_{i, \frac{1}{2}}(s, b)|^2 + G_{i, \frac{1}{2}}^{\text{in}}$$

and a differential survival probability factor $P_{i, \frac{1}{2}} = e^{-2 \operatorname{Im} A_{i, \frac{1}{2}}}$. The corresponding elastic and diffractive amplitudes in (s, b) space are:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} a_{ee} &= i [\alpha^4 A_{b1} + 2\alpha^2 \beta^2 A_{b2} + \beta^4 A_{2,2}] \\ a_{sd} &= i \alpha \beta [\alpha^2 A_{b1} + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2) A_{b2} + \beta^2 A_{2,2}] \\ a_{dd} &= i \alpha^2 \beta^2 [A_{b1} - 2A_{b2} + A_{2,2}] \end{aligned} \right\} \text{GW}$$

We define, in complete analogy to the single channel eikonal model:

$$A_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^S = i \left(1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{V}_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^S} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^S = \mathcal{V}_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^S(s) \Gamma_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^S(s, b)$$

$$\mathcal{V}_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^S = \sigma_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^{S,0} \left(\frac{s}{s_0} \right)^{2\alpha}$$

$$G_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^{\text{in}, S} = 1 - e^{-\mathcal{R}_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^S}$$

$\Rightarrow e^{-\mathcal{R}_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^S(s, b)}$ is the differential $ij\frac{1}{2}$ survival probability.

As of this point GLM and KMR diverge.

b) Define diffraction: Historically, diffraction was defined by Good and Walker very much in the way we wrote $A_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^S$ as the elements building a_{ee} , a_{sd} and a_{dd} . In this interpretation we consider $A_{ij\frac{1}{2}}^S$ to be the components of the proton wave function from which we can construct the combinations corresponding to the elastic and diffractive channels. This is the basic philosophy of the GLM model. As such we neglect the dependence on the diffracted mass M^2 .

Assume that the soft P is a simple (Regge line) pole in the J plane. Following Al Mueller papers (30 years ago!) we obtain for high mass diffraction:

SD: $\left| \begin{array}{c} a \\ \text{---} \\ P \\ \text{---} \\ b \end{array} \right|_{M^2}^2 = \begin{array}{c} \bar{b} \quad \bar{b} \\ \text{---} \quad \text{---} \\ P \quad P \\ \text{---} \\ M^2 \\ \text{---} \\ b \quad b \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{High } M^2} \begin{array}{c} \bar{b} \quad \bar{b} \\ \text{---} \quad \text{---} \\ P \quad P \\ \text{---} \\ P \\ \text{---} \\ b \quad b \end{array}$

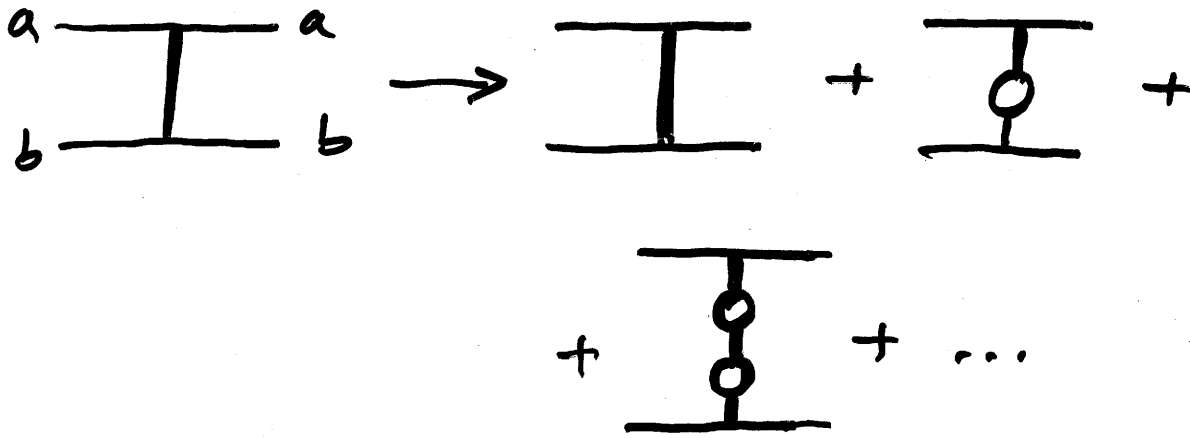
From which we obtain

$$\left| \begin{array}{c} a \\ \text{---} \\ P \\ \text{---} \\ b \end{array} \right|^2 \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} a \quad a \\ \text{---} \\ P \\ \text{---} \\ P \\ \text{---} \\ P \\ \text{---} \\ b \quad b \end{array}$$

One of the beautiful aspects of this formalism is that $\frac{d\sigma}{dt dM^2}$ acquires a Regge like dependence on $\alpha_P(t) = 1 + \Delta_P + d_P' t$.

For this formalism to be significant we need to have g_{3P} which is not too small.

If g_{3P} is not very small, we have a large family of new diagrams containing 3P vertices which have to be included not only in the diffractive calculation but also in the elastic scattering:



The net result is that $\Delta_{in} \rightarrow \Delta_{eff(out)} \xrightarrow{S_{\text{eff}}}$.

As we shall see, P enhancement results in significant reduction of Δ_{eff} which is expected to be significant enough to be observed in LHC and more so in Auger.

As it stands we do not have a decisive experimental support for the crucial importance of this mechanism.

The primary difference between GLM and KMR modeling is that GLM assumes diffraction to be mostly a GW type, i.e. that either the soft P is not a simple J pole or that even if it is g_{3P} is too small to be dynamically important. KMR assumes that the soft P is a simple J pole and that g_{3P} is significant.

As such KMR modelling reflects this basic assumption.

Both groups have suggested similar experimental procedures to extract g_{3P} including its reduction due to unitarity corrections.

c) Parametrizations: The consequent parametrization of GLM and KMR are radically different

GLM	KMR
$\Gamma_{i,j}^S = \text{exponential in } t$ $\Rightarrow \text{Gaussian in } b$	$\Gamma_{i,j}^S = \text{modified dipole in } t$ $\Rightarrow \text{sum of Bessel functions in } b$
* $R_{i,j}^2 = R_{i,j}^2(0) + 4\alpha_P^2 \ln s$	* $R_{i,j}^2 = R_{i,j}^2(0)$ *
* fitted $\alpha_P^2 = 0.17 - 0.18$	* assumed $\alpha_P^2 \equiv 0$ *
\Downarrow fitted $\Delta_{in} = 0.15$ $\Rightarrow \Delta_{out} \cong 0.08$ low Δ_{in} possible since $\alpha_P^2 \neq 0$	fitted $\Delta_{in} = 0.55$ \Downarrow $\Rightarrow \Delta_{out}$ reduces rapidly with \sqrt{s} high Δ_{in} needed to compensate for $\alpha_P^2 \equiv 0$

The different modeling reflects also in GLM and KMR choosing different data bases in their fitting procedures. The aim is to adjust $\Omega_{i,j}^S$ corresponding to soft PP exchange. Best would be a simultaneous pp and pp fit!

The problem: data in the UA(4) - Tevatron range is not sufficient to constrain the \mathbb{P} parameters.

GLM: fitted the ISR - Tevatron data in a $\mathbb{P}+R$ model from which we extract the \mathbb{P} parameters. Our choice of Gaussian profiles limits our reproduction of $\frac{d\sigma_{el}}{dt}$ to the very forward t cone with $t_{max} = 0.10 - 0.15 \text{ GeV}^2$. This covers more than 85% of the elastic data.

Is this enough? Shall discuss it.

Our data base contains: σ_{tot} ; integrated σ_{el} , σ_{sd} , σ_{dd} and B_{el} . B_{sd} , B_{dd} and

$\rho = \frac{\text{Re}}{\text{Im}} a(s,t)$ are calculated from the fitted parameters.

The GLM fit to a factorizable Regge like \mathbb{P} , i.e. assuming the \mathbb{P} to be a simple \mathbb{J} pole, results in a non satisfactory $\chi^2_{\text{dof}} = 2.30$ for 55 data points (with 12 parameters).

Changing $\Gamma_{i,\frac{1}{2}}^s$ did not improve the fit.

⇒ options: i) give up coupling factorization

i.e. the soft \mathbb{P} is NOT a simple \mathbb{J} pole.

Result: $\chi^2_{\text{dof}} = 1.25$ which is very good considering

- ii) Maintain input factorization but effectively break it by introducing \mathbb{P} enhancement. This is GLM work in progress and I shall report some of our output results.

KMR are fitting just $\frac{d\sigma_{\text{el}}}{dt}$ reflecting the fact that their profiles Γ_{ij}^s are more realistic (and more complicated!) than ours. They present diffractive output only at $\sqrt{s} = 1800 \text{ GeV}$, but not the energy dependence even within their 540-1800 GeV fitting range. Is their fit satisfactory?!

Clearly GLM and KMR present, at best, their approximation to \mathcal{R}_{ij}^s . I shall try to assess how effective are these approximations so as to obtain reliable estimates of

- i) Survival probabilities (which depend also on the estimates of the hard sector).
- ii) The rate at which the scattering amplitudes progress with energy toward unitarity saturation.

In the following I shall also quote some results from a very recent (to be published) GLM calculation of a factorizable model which includes \mathbb{P} enhanced contributions.

IV) Unitarity Saturation

As we saw, for GW diffraction we have

$$a_{ee} = i [\alpha^4 A_{b1} + 2\alpha^2 \beta^2 A_{b2} + \beta^4 A_{2,2}]$$

$$a_{sd} = i\alpha\beta [-\alpha^2 A_{b1} + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2) A_{b2} + \beta^2 A_{2,2}]$$

$$a_{dd} = i\alpha^2\beta^2 [A_{b1} - 2A_{b2} + A_{2,2}]$$

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1$$

It is easy to prove that, independently of β , the s-unitarity black bound is reached when and only when $A_{b1} = A_{b2} = A_{2,2} \equiv 1$.

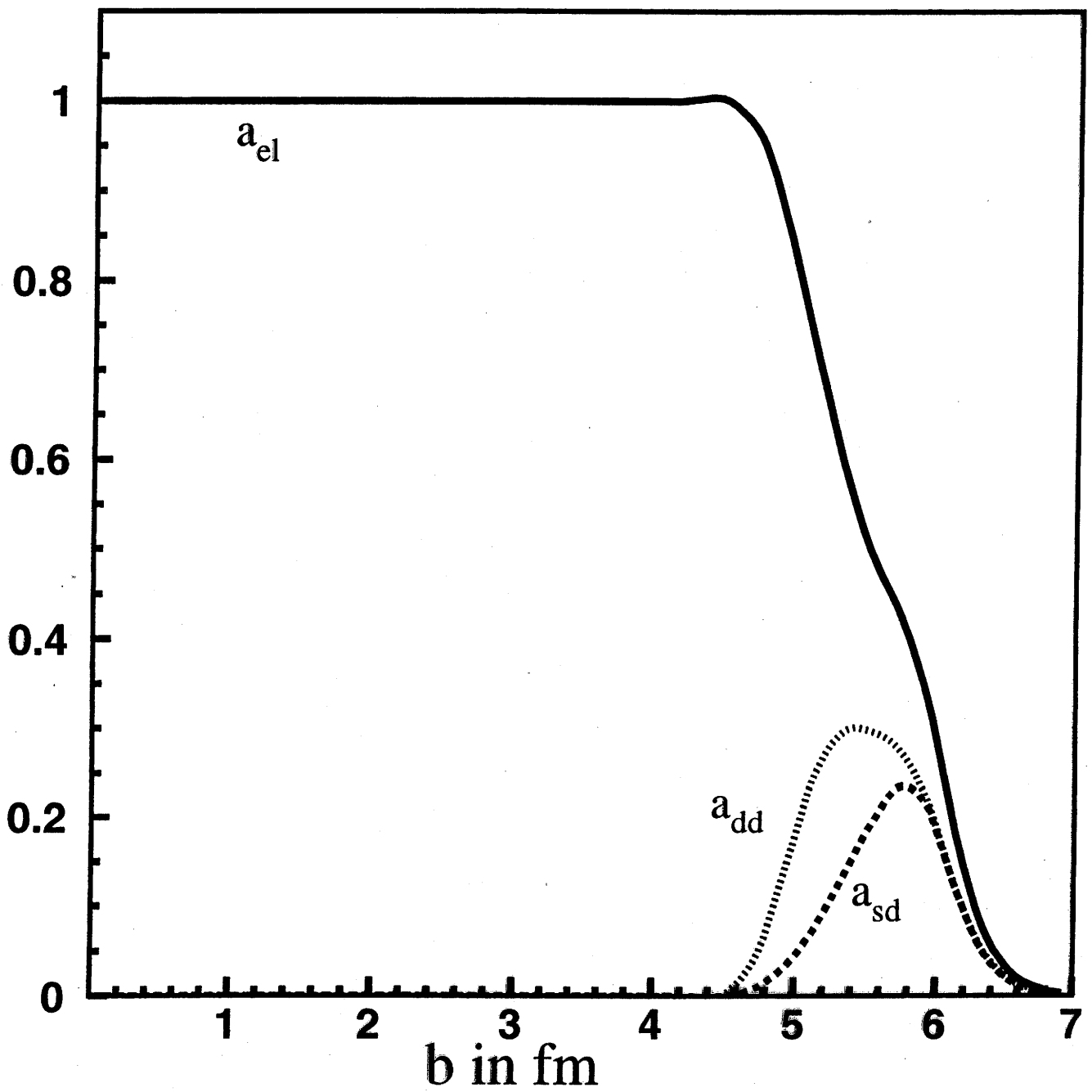
At this limit $a_{ee} = 1$ and $a_{sd} = a_{dd} \equiv 0$.

See Fig 1.

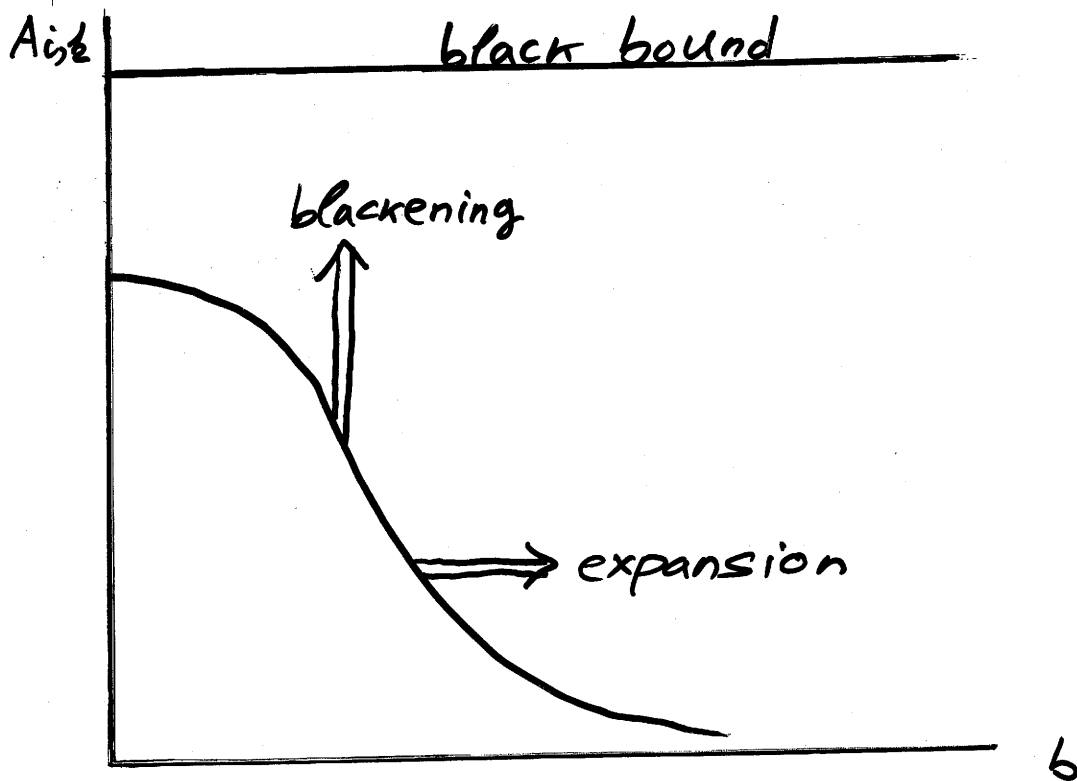
Actually, a basic feature of the GLM model is that $A_{2,2}$ reaches the black bound at low energies ($\sqrt{s} \approx 20$ GeV). A_{b2} reaches the black bound quite fast in a factorizable model and more slowly in our non factorizable version. It is the smallness of A_{b1} which determines the rate at which the black bound is reached.

KMR did not present the b -dependence of their A_{ijb} components, but judging from their $a_{ee}(s, b)$ figures it is very probable that they follow the same pattern.

Fig 1



The $A_{i, \frac{1}{2}}$ amplitudes are growing due to 2 correlated processes: blackening and expansion.



In the GLM models $A_{i, \frac{1}{2}}$ can expand as $R_{i, \frac{1}{2}}^2$ has a term proportional to $\ln s$. The cross sections oblige the Pomplin bound

$$\sigma_{ee} + \sigma_{diff} \leq \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{tot}.$$

In the KMR model $R_{i, \frac{1}{2}}^2 = R_{i, \frac{1}{2}}^2(0) = \text{const.}$ and consequently blackening is the only option. Once $\sigma_{ee} = 1$ for all $b^2 \leq R_{i, \frac{1}{2}}^2$, the GW amplitude can not increase any more. In this limit $\sigma_{ee}^{GW} = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{tot}^{GW}$ which is a constant is energy. According to, $\sigma_{ss}^{GW} = \sigma_{ss}^{GW} \equiv 0$.

However, in the KMR model the diffractive channels are increasingly being fed by the Pomeron enhanced contributions. As a result the Pomplin bound is not valid. Note, also, that due to the \mathbb{P} enhancement

$$\Delta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{KMR}} \rightarrow 0, \text{ so } \sigma_{\text{tot}} \rightarrow \text{const.}$$

A consequence of the above is that in the KMR model $\alpha_{\text{eff}}(s, b=0)$ approaches the black bound quite fast — just above LHC, while in the GLM models this growth is much slower. In the non factorizable model $\alpha_{\text{eff}}(b=0)$ reaches the black bound above the GZK knee at $\sqrt{s} \approx 10^7 - 10^8$ GeV. As mentioned earlier, GLM have just completed a model calculation GLM2, based on factorization + \mathbb{P} enhancement.

There are two differences relative to KMR

- 1) We sum the \mathbb{P} diagrams differently.
- 2) Both $\Delta_{\mathbb{P}}$ and $\alpha_{\mathbb{P}}^2$ are fitted rather than assumed in KMR. We get $\Delta_{\mathbb{P}} = 0.335$ and $\alpha_{\mathbb{P}}^2 = 0.01$, $\beta = 0.34$. At low energy our $\alpha_{\mathbb{P}}^2$ is too small to produce significant expansion.

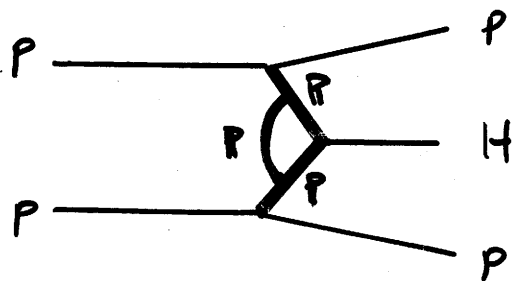
However, this is changed once \sqrt{s} becomes significant. IF gets similar results to KMR assuming that $\Delta_{\mathbb{P}} = 0.335$ and $\alpha_{\mathbb{P}}^2 = 0.01$.

V) Survival Probabilities

Why are the calculated values of S^2 obtained by GLM and KMR so different?

- 1) 15-20% of the difference is traced to different values of $B(\pi/4)$ used in the calculations. GLM took its values from ZEUS using both $B_{ee}(\pi/4)$ and $B_{in}(\pi/4)$. KMR used $B_{ee}(\pi/4)$ in all 3 amplitudes taking their data from H1.
- 2) The main difference is traced to different profiles obtained in the two models. Fig2, Fig3.

The KMR S^2 values are, in our opinion, over estimated due to a final stat IP enhanced correction missed in their calculation.



If g_{3P} is not too small there is a class of IP enhanced diagrams which can not be neglected.

See Table I. 2 important conclusions emerge:

- 1) Measurements of soft cross sections in LHC and Auger are crucial to determine the role of $3P$.

2) GLM and KMR S^2

Fig 2

LHC ($\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV)

$\text{Im } a_{el}(s,b)$ GLM notation
 $\text{Im } T_{el}(s,b)$ KMR notation

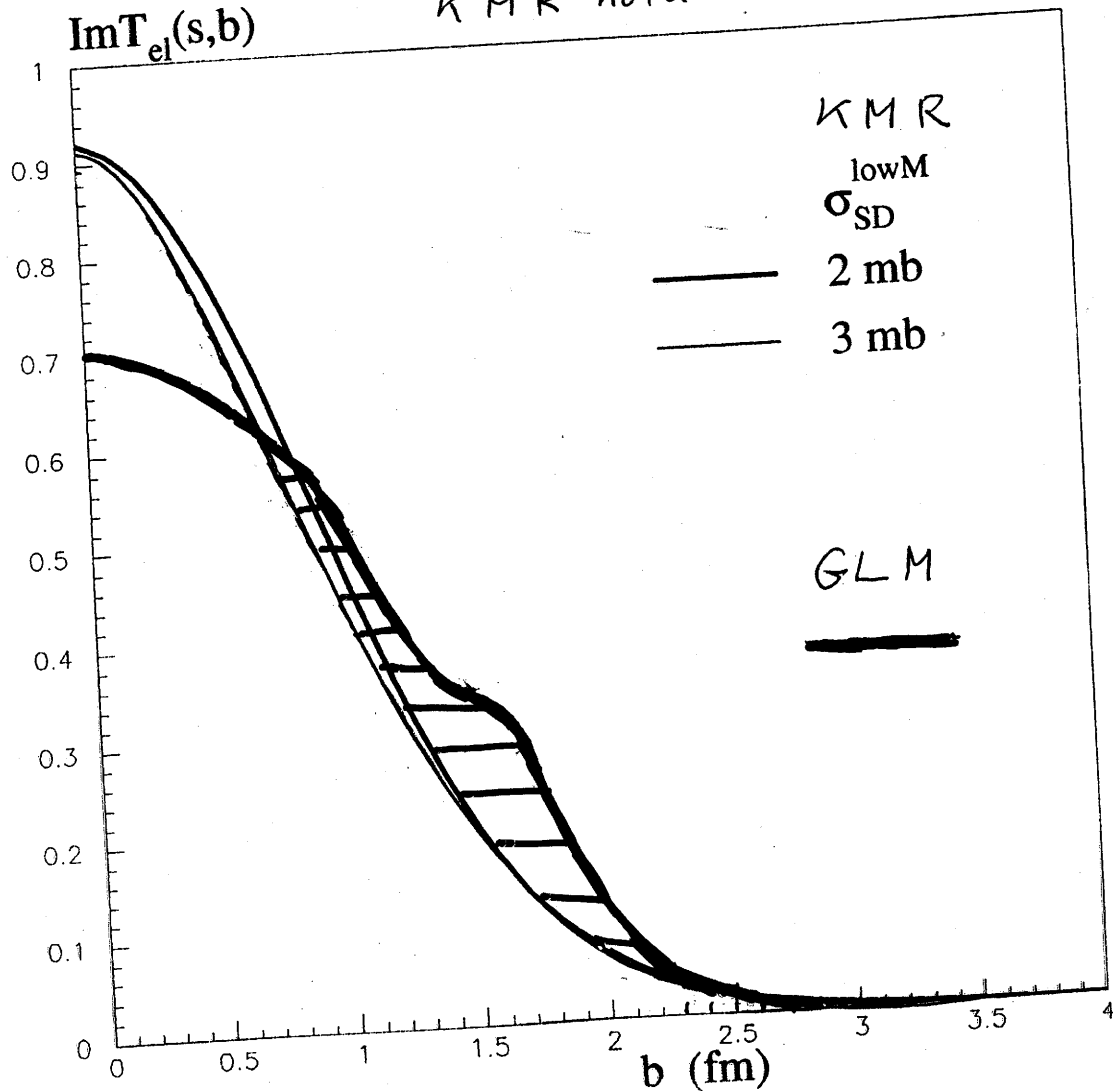
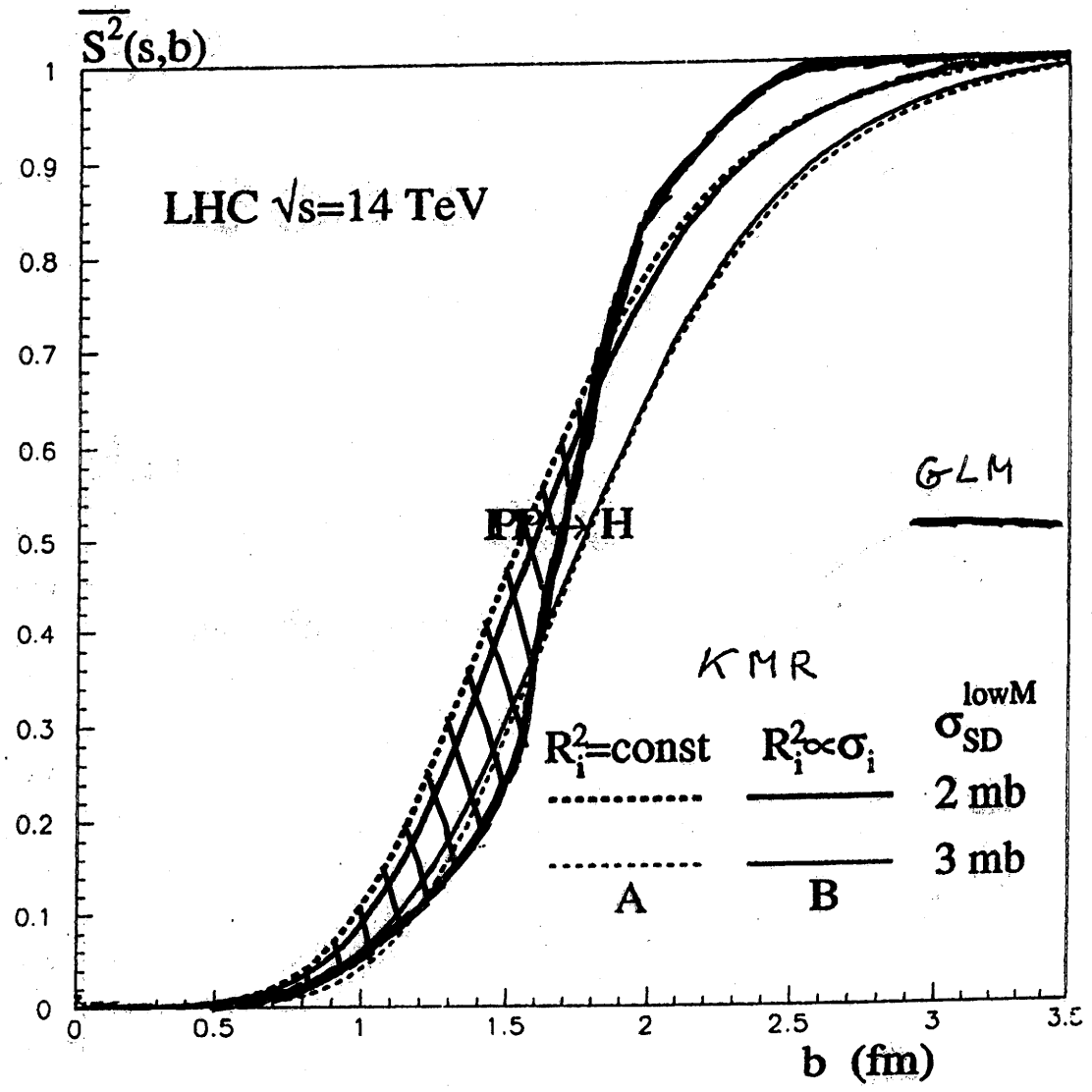


Fig 3



	$\sqrt{s} = 1800 \text{ GeV}$			$\sqrt{s} = 14 \times 10^3 \text{ GeV}$			$\sqrt{s} = 10^5 \text{ GeV}$		
	GLM1	GLM2	KMR	GLM1	GLM2	KMR	GLM1	GLM2	KMR
mb σ_{tot}	78.0	73.3	74.0	110.5	92.1	88.0	150.0	108.0	98.0
mb σ_{el}	16.3	16.3	16.3	25.3	20.9	20.1	37.0	24.0	22.9
mb σ_{sd}	9.6	9.8	10.9	11.6	11.8	13.3	12.5	14.4	15.7
$\sigma_{sd}^{(H)}$		8.6	4.3		10.5	5.1		12.2	5.7
$\sigma_{sd}^{(HH)}$		1.2	6.5		1.3	8.2		2.2	10.0
mb σ_{H}	3.8	5.4	7.2	4.9	6.1	13.4	55	6.3	17.3
S_H^2 %	2.7	3.2	2.7-4.8	0.7	2.35	1.2-3.2	~0	2	0.9-2.5
S_{enh}^2 %		285			6.3			3.3	
S_{Higgs}^2 %	2.7	1.2	2.7-4.8	0.7	0.2	1.2-3.2	~0	0.066	0.9-2.5
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including S_{enh}^2			0.77-1.37			0.76-0.2			0.03-0.083