

PYTHIA 8.2 to 8.3: an overview

The PYTHIA 8.3 manual: 2203.11601

For the PYTHIA collaboration

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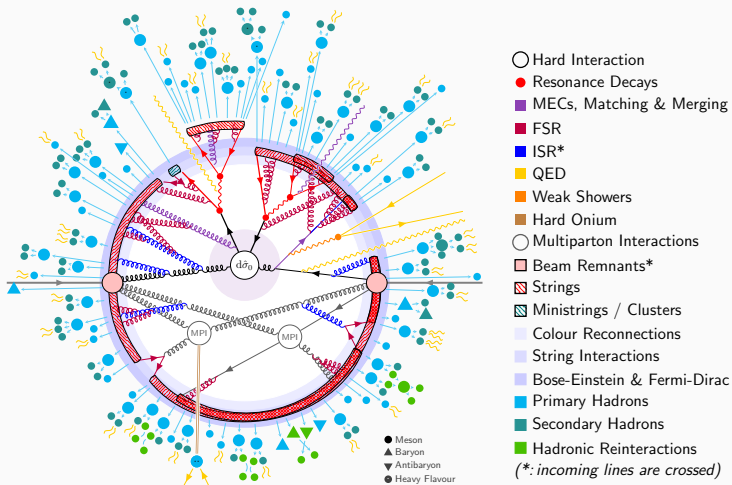
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PYTHIA: General purpose Monte Carlo

- General purpose MCEG for pp and much more.
- **Versatility** as a guiding principle.



- Historically (see [Sjöstrand: 1907.09874](#) for a full account):
 1. JETSET (since 1978).
 2. PYTHIA (since 1982).
 3. Parton showers (since 1985).
 4. Fully combined PYTHIA+JETSET (1992).
 5. Full code integration (1996)
 6. PYTHIA 6.4 (2006).
 7. PYTHIA 8 series, C++ (since 2008).
- PYTHIA 8 past focus: Matching and merging, LHC features.
- Recent years: extensions to many collision systems, new showers, shower uncertainties, many new soft physics models...

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- Mostly caught up with PYTHIA6, some new physics scope.

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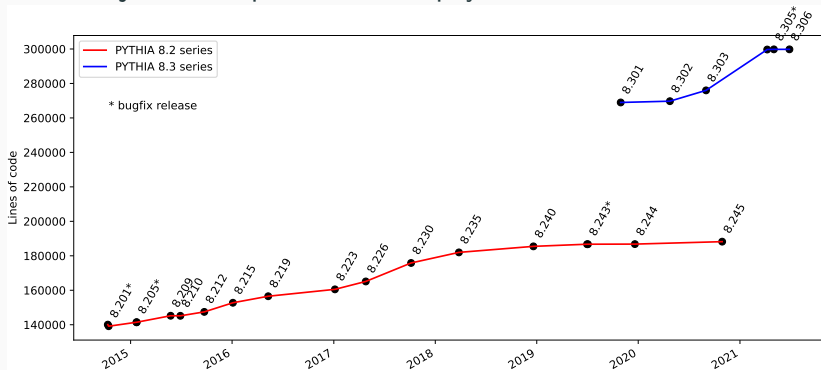


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- Recent physics focus: Soft QCD models & two new showers.
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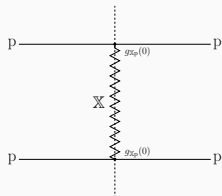
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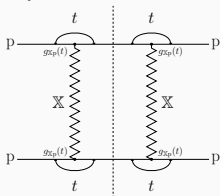
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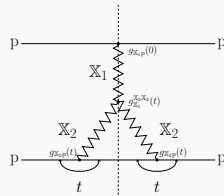
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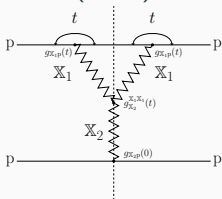
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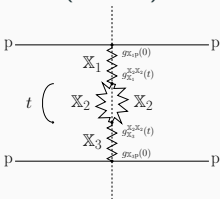
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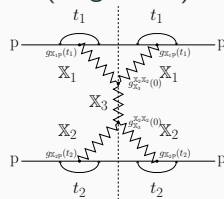
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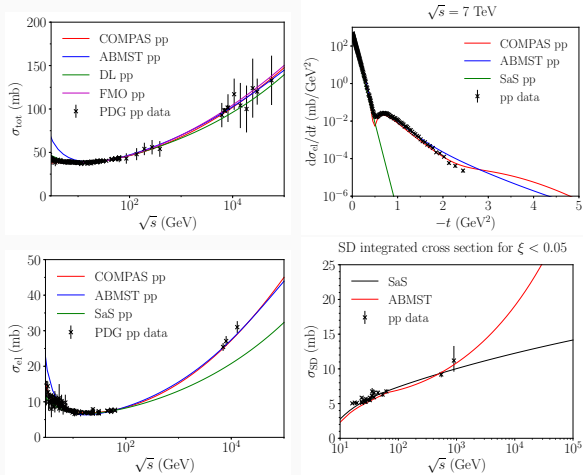
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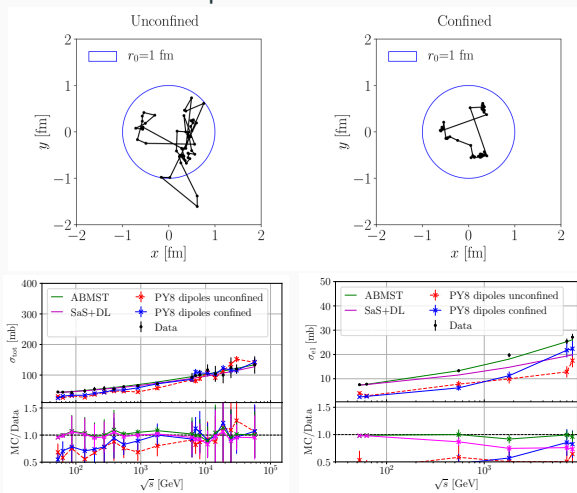
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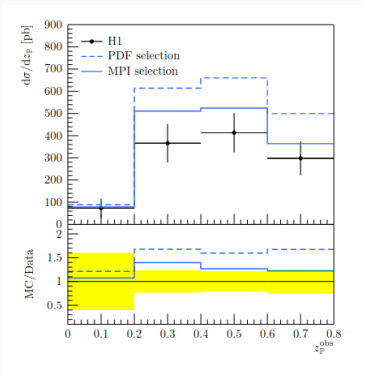
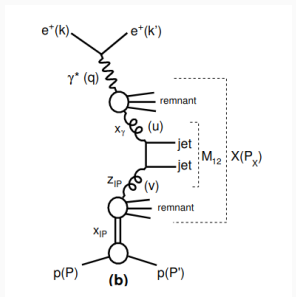
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Hard and soft diffraction with γ -beams (Helenius & Rasmussen: 1901.05261)

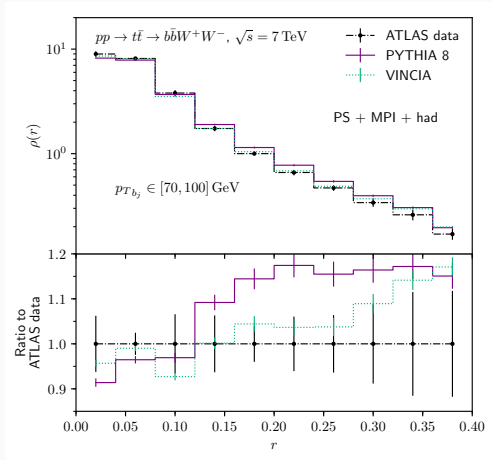
- Important processes for DIS-type systems. Factorization breaking at HERA.
- Using MPIs to “fill the gap” of diffractive systems. Reject events where MPIs shroud the diffractive signature.



- Framework can also do UPCs!

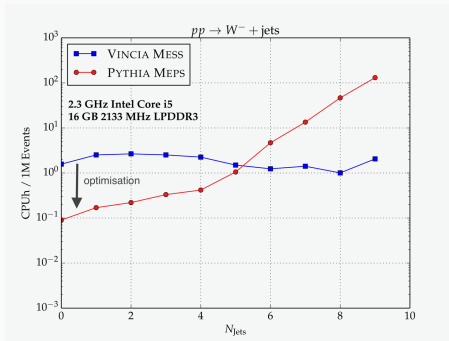
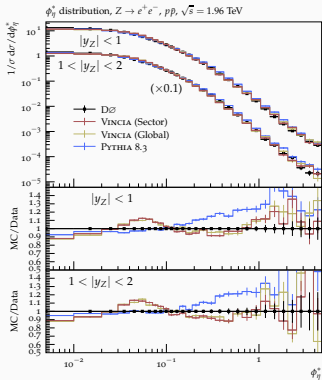
- Fully incorporated new shower, based on antenna formalism.
- ◇ Interleaved evolution for ISR, FSR & coloured resonances.
- ◇ Fully coherent soft interference for QED.
- ◇ Includes module for electroweak shower (see also 2108.10786).
- ◇ Technical: “sector” shower makes HO corrections easier.
- ◇ Dedicated CKKW-L merging in VINCIA, exploiting power of sector showers.
- ◇ NNLO matching in the pipeline (2108.07133).

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- QCD: Vincias more narrow jet profile favoured by data
- b-jet profile in $t\bar{t}$ production.

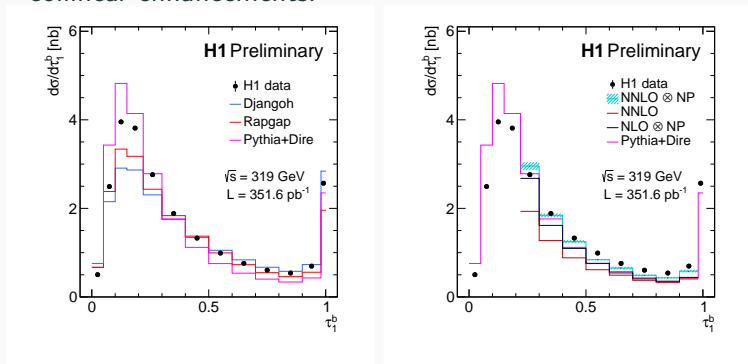
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- ISR sector shower: Drell-Yan leptons opening angle.
- Performance: VINCIA shower slow (oversampling) but sector merging faster (linear vs. factorial) due to limited histories.

- Fully incorporated new shower, based on dipole formalism + collinear enhancements.
- ◇ QCD and QED shower with automatic uncertainties.
- ◇ Includes higher order corrections to kernels.
- ◇ Focus on making merging easy, also for the user.
- ◇ Option for Dark Matter emissions in shower.

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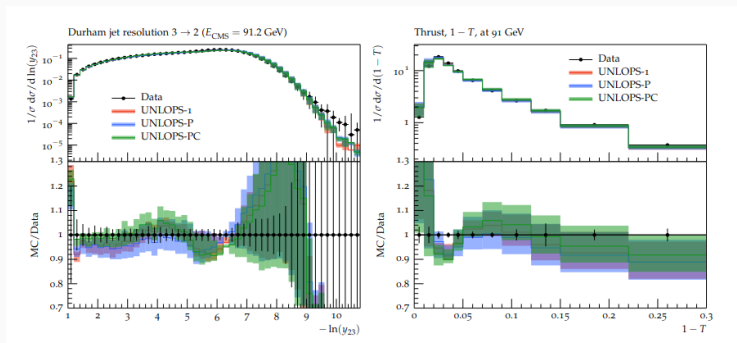


(Figure credit: H1/Johannes Hessler)

- Well used, cross generator $ep \rightarrow EIC$ use cases.
- Here 1-jettiness event shape in new H1 analysis ([2111.11364](#).)

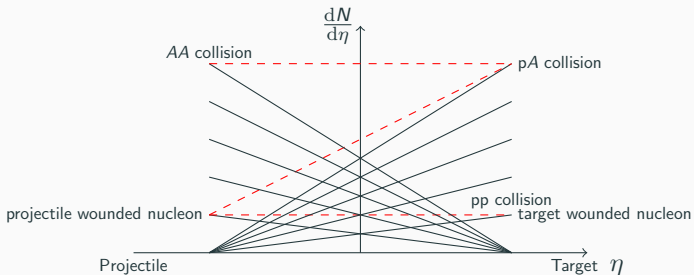
Automated shower variations (Gellersen & Prestel: 2001.10476)

- Adding to previous PDF variation, one can now perform automatic renormalization scale variation in the CKKW-L, UMEPS, NL-3 and UNLOPS merging schemes.
- Completely unified weights scheme in progress, but difficult.

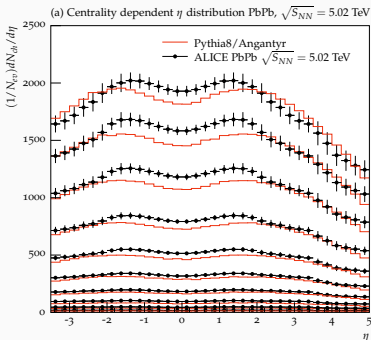
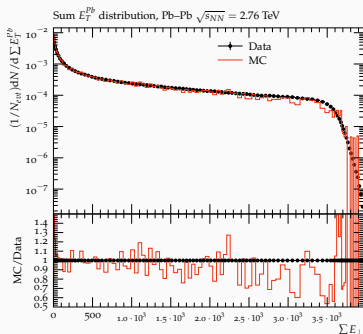


- Automating these tasks potentially improves users' error estimation significantly! Lots of potential and interest.

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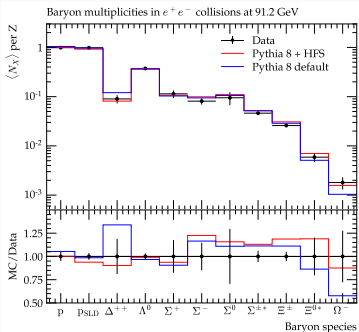
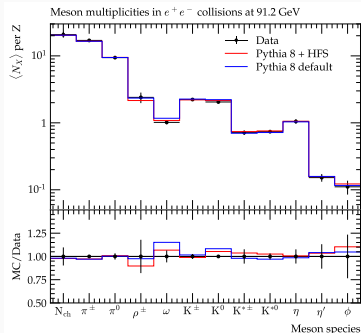
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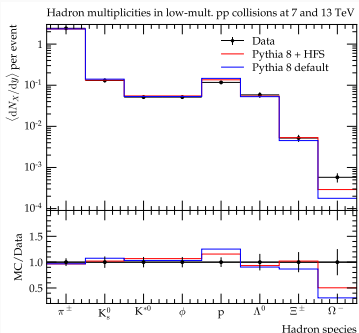
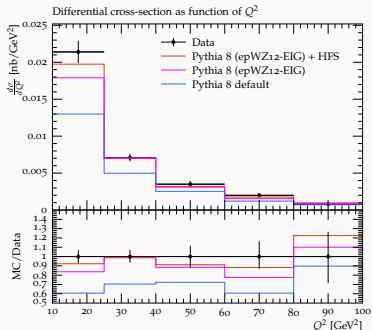
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- Important for e^+e^- baseline.

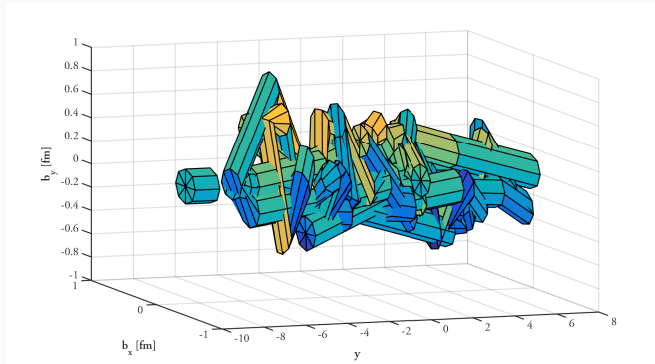
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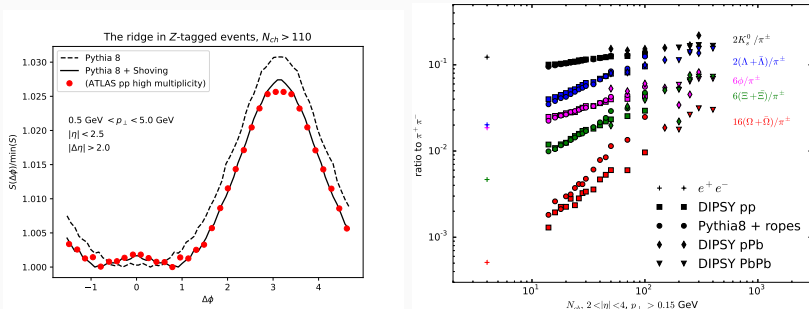


- As well as ep and low multiplicity pp baseline.

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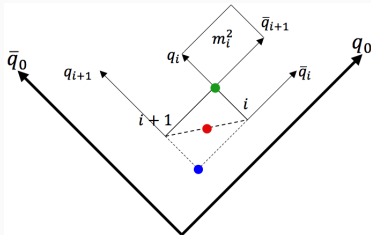
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- Intended as an alternative to QGP models.
- Extensions to AA ongoing [\(2010.07595\)](#).

Hadronic rescattering (CB, Ferreres-Solé, Sjöstrand & Utheim: 1808.04619, 2005.05658, 2103.09665)

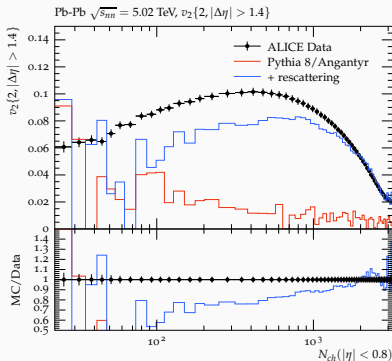
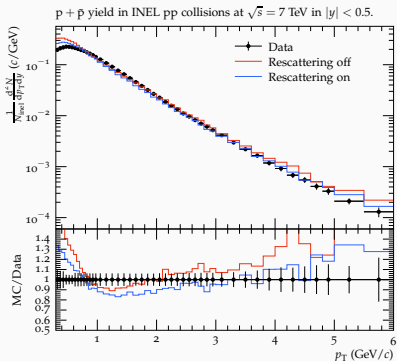
- Hadrons may scatter again in the final state
- Some effects in pp, very important in ion collisions.
- Requires knowledge of hadron production vertices.
- ...a new framework for Low Energy QCD processes.
- ...with an extensive amount of cross sections!



incoming	rate	incoming	rate	incoming	rate
$\pi + \pi$	12.63	$K + N$	0.39	$\eta/\eta' + N$	0.19
$\pi + \rho$	4.59	$\rho + \rho$	0.38	$\pi + B$	0.18
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$\pi + N$	3.44	$\rho + \omega/\phi$	0.34	$\pi + \Sigma^*$	0.15
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$\pi + \eta/\eta'$	1.80	$\pi + f_0(500)$	0.29	$\eta/\eta' + \omega/\phi$	0.14
$\pi + K^*$	1.33	$K + \omega/\phi$	0.27	$\pi + M$	0.12
$\pi + \Delta$	1.10	$K + K$	0.26	$K + \Delta$	0.11
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(Rescatterings per 13 TeV ND pp event)

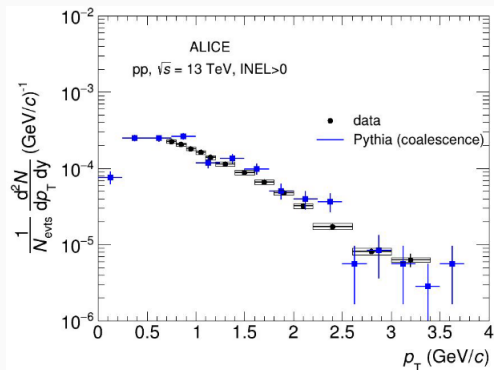
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- Inevitable for precision, even in min-bias.
- Low Energy framework very versatile, added bonus!

Deuteron coalescence & molecular states (Ilten & Uthmeim: 2108.03479)

- Existing model(s): Momentum space recombination of $p + n^0, p + p, n^0 + n^0 \rightarrow {}^2\text{H} + X$.
- Cross sections taken from experiments/shape only.

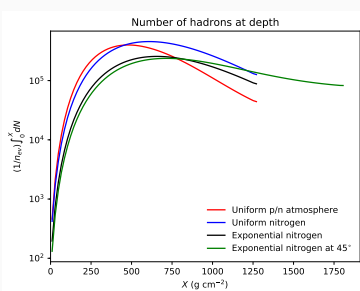
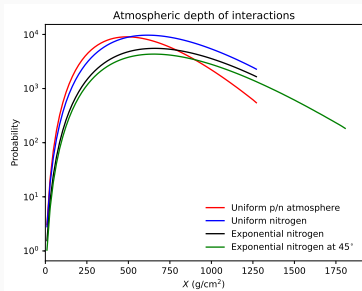


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- Extending to space-time in rescattering picture.
- Other molecular states; tetraquarks & pentaquarks.

Extension to cosmic rays (Sjöstrand & Utheim: 2108.03481)

- Building upon updated framework for low energy interactions.
- Proof-of-principle atmospheric cascade, a new playing field.
- Includes simplified model for pA interactions.



- 10^8 GeV initiator proton through atmosphere. Left: number of interactions. Right: hadrons remaining above kinematic threshold.

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 - ◇ More possibilities for collaboration on issues.
 - ◇ Automatic checks (both technical and physics) at commit-level, merge level and release.
 - ◇ Still some manual checks (PVS).
 - ◇ Strong gatekeeper → distributed code checks (with a **codemaster** to oversee).
 - ◇ Main repo private. Have `https://pythia.org` for code tarballs, historic code (dating back to 1986!) and online manual.
- Technical changes supporting organisational changes.

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 - ◇ PYTHIA contrib, better ME interfacing, HPC compatibility, ...

The PYTHIA collaboration

- CB, Lund, hadronization, HI, ALICE. **webmaster**.
- Nishita Desai, Tata Inst, SUSY, SLHA, BSM.
- Leif Gellersen, Lund, scale uncertainties, matching/merging.
- Ilkka Helenius, Jyväskylä, photoproduction, $\gamma - \gamma$, diffraction. **deputy spokesperson**.
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