Ridge Effect: Saturation?



high multiplicity, 1GeV <p_t < 3 GeV, $\Delta \phi \approx 0$ for $\Delta \eta \leq 4$

Saturation is a strong candidate:

High density: high multiplicity

Low pt: saturation momentum

 $x \approx 10^{-5}$: $Q_s \approx 1 GeV$

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Previous parton picture not quite correct: need 'interference':

 $(A_1 + A_2) \cdot (A_1 + A_2)^* = |A_1|^2 + |A_2|^2 + A_1 \cdot A_2^* + A_2 \cdot A_1^*$





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could explain high multiplicity, long rapidity correlations but not delta $riangle \phi$ enhancement





Saturation at HERA:

First expectation: see flattening of xg(x,Q) at $Q_{sat}^2(x) = Q_0^2 \cdot (\frac{x_0}{x})^{\lambda}$: not seen Instead: geometric scaling saturation models constant ratio of $\frac{\sigma_{diff}^{\gamma^* p}}{\sigma^{\gamma^* p}}$

Conclusion: saturation is an attractive interpretation, but it is not proven