

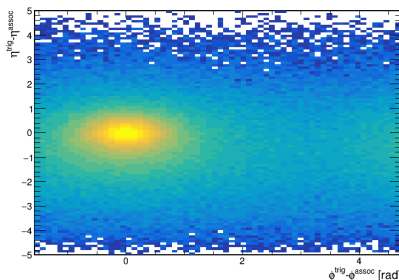
# Two-Particle Correlation Updates

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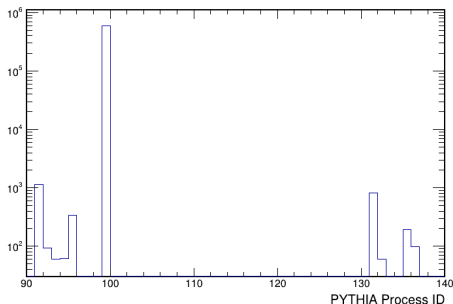
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# Two-Particle Correlations in PYTHIA



- ▶ 600k Events of 18x100 PYTHIA 6 with  $Q^2 > 100 \text{ GeV}^2$
- ▶  $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$  and  $-3 < \eta < 2$  for charged hadrons
- ▶ Trigger is highest  $p_T$ , Associated is next highest  $p_T$
- ▶ Single jet events dominate.

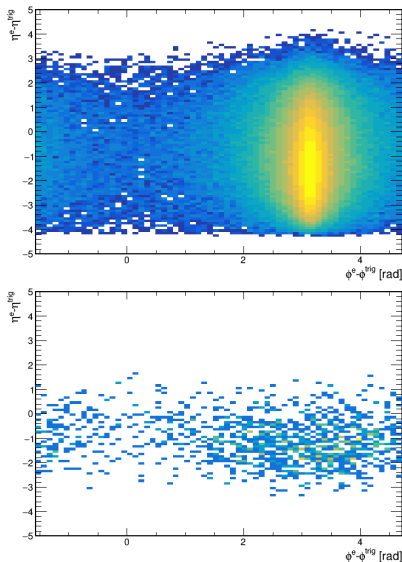
# PYTHIA Processes



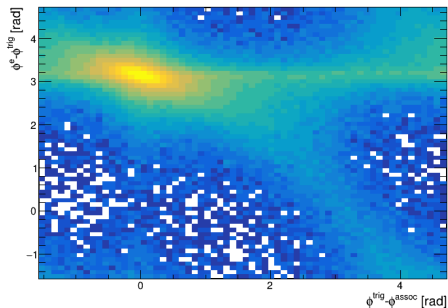
- ▶ 99 = LO DIS
- ▶ 91-95 = elastic, diffractive, and low- $p_T$  processes
- ▶ 130-140 = QCD Compton, photon-gluon fusion processes
- ▶ QCD Compton and photon-gluon fusion  $\sim 500\times$  smaller than LO DIS for  $Q^2 > 100 \text{ GeV}^2$ .

# Scattered electron-hadron Correlations

- ▶ Scattered electron correlation with trigger hadron looks like back-to-back dijet hadroproduction.
- ▶ Top: All processes. Bottom: QCD Compton + Photon-Gluon Fusion
- ▶ Bottom has much broader  $\Delta\phi$  correlation
- ▶ In hadroproduction of jets expect 3-jets when two leading jets have  $\Delta\phi > 2\pi/3$ , i.e. the Mercedes angle.

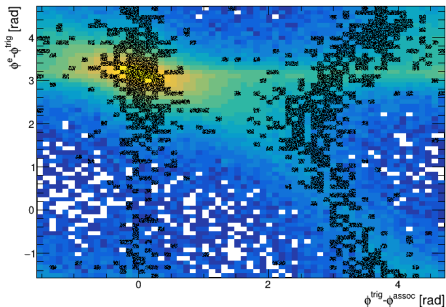


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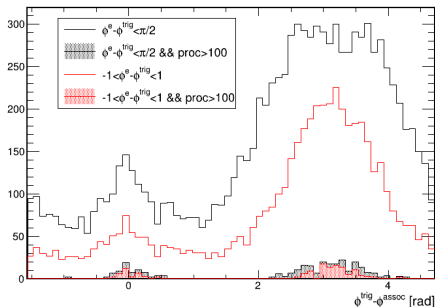
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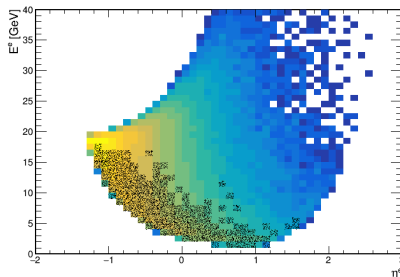
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# Isolating the Dihadron Signal

- ▶ Dihadron  $\Delta\phi$  distribution for cuts on the  $\phi$  separation between the leading hadron and scattered electron.
- ▶ More restrictive cuts on the leading hadron produces an away-side dihadron peak.
- ▶ The QCD Compton + Gluon Fusion process (filled histograms) are 500x smaller than the LO process.



# Scattered Electron Energy



- ▶ Electron energy vs.  $\eta$  for all processes (colored histogram) and for QCD Compton + photon-gluon fusion (black histogram).
- ▶ The electron always loses energy for the QCD Compton + photon-gluon fusion process?

# Summary

- ▶ There is a dihadron  $\Delta\phi$  correlation signal within PYTHIA.
- ▶ But it is not dominantly from the LO  $\alpha_S$  processes: QCD Compton + photon-gluon fusion.
- ▶ Need to understand further if this isn't just some momentum conserving splitting in PYTHIA?
- ▶ Fallback would be to run a small sample of DJANGO, which does calculate LO  $\alpha_S$  processes for both  $e + p$  and  $e + A$