Exclusive production of meson pairs and resonances in proton-proton collisions

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Summary

We shall present results for the exclusive production of $\pi^{+} \pi^{+}$ and π^{+} pairs mediated by Pomeron and Reggeon exchanges, which constitute an irreducible background to resonance states (e.g. $f_{0}(980)$, $f_{2}(1270)$, $f_{0}(1500)$, $\dot{c}_{0}(0)$. We include absorption effects due to proton-proton interaction, pion/kaon rescattering and discuss differences between vectorial and tensorial Pomeron for exclusive diffractive production of mesons.

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We compare the results with the existing experimental data and present predictions for the RHIC, Tevatron and LHC colliders.

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