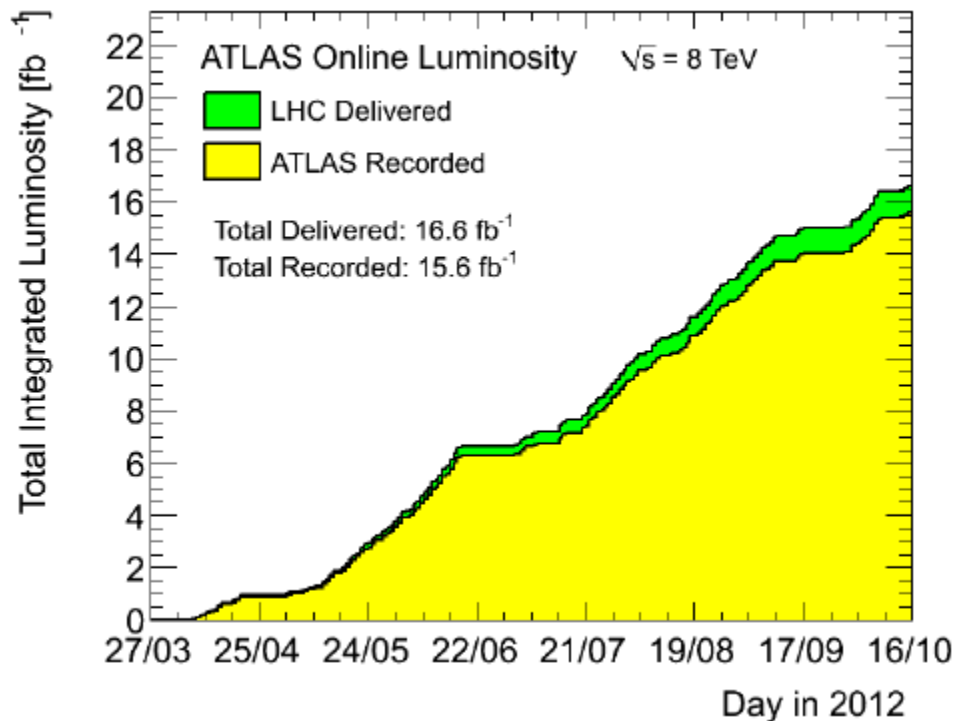


Physics Program of the experiments at Large Hadron Collider

- **soft QCD**



News of last week

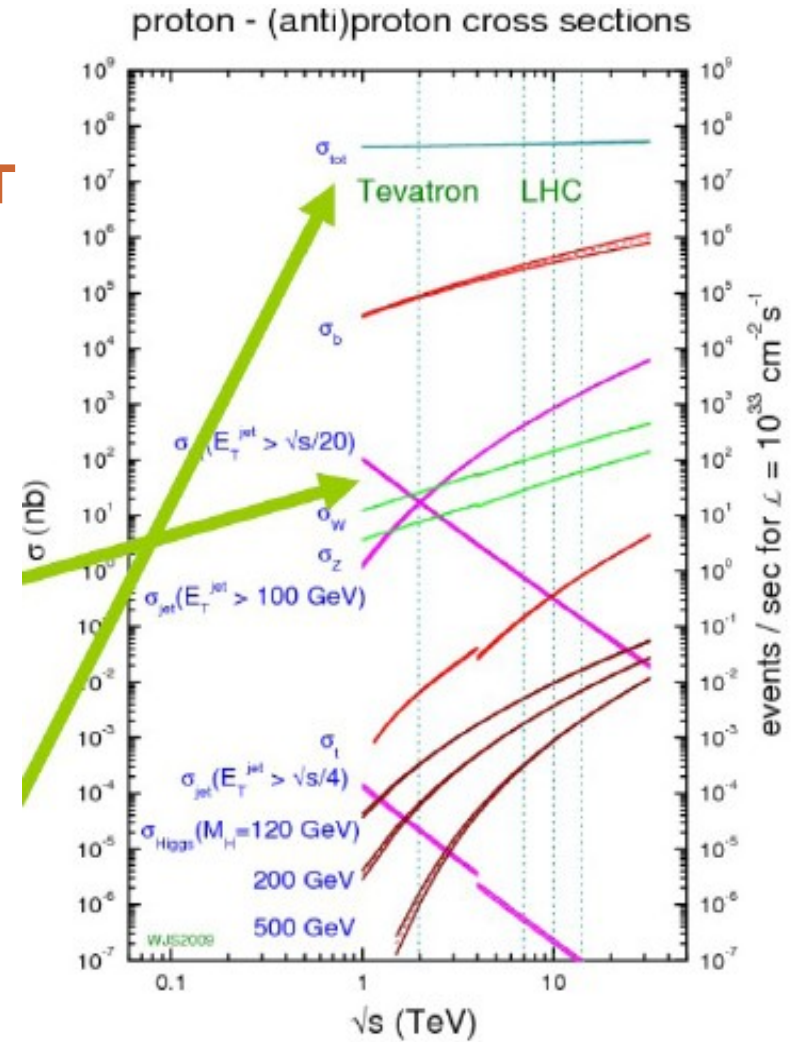


LHC Schedule

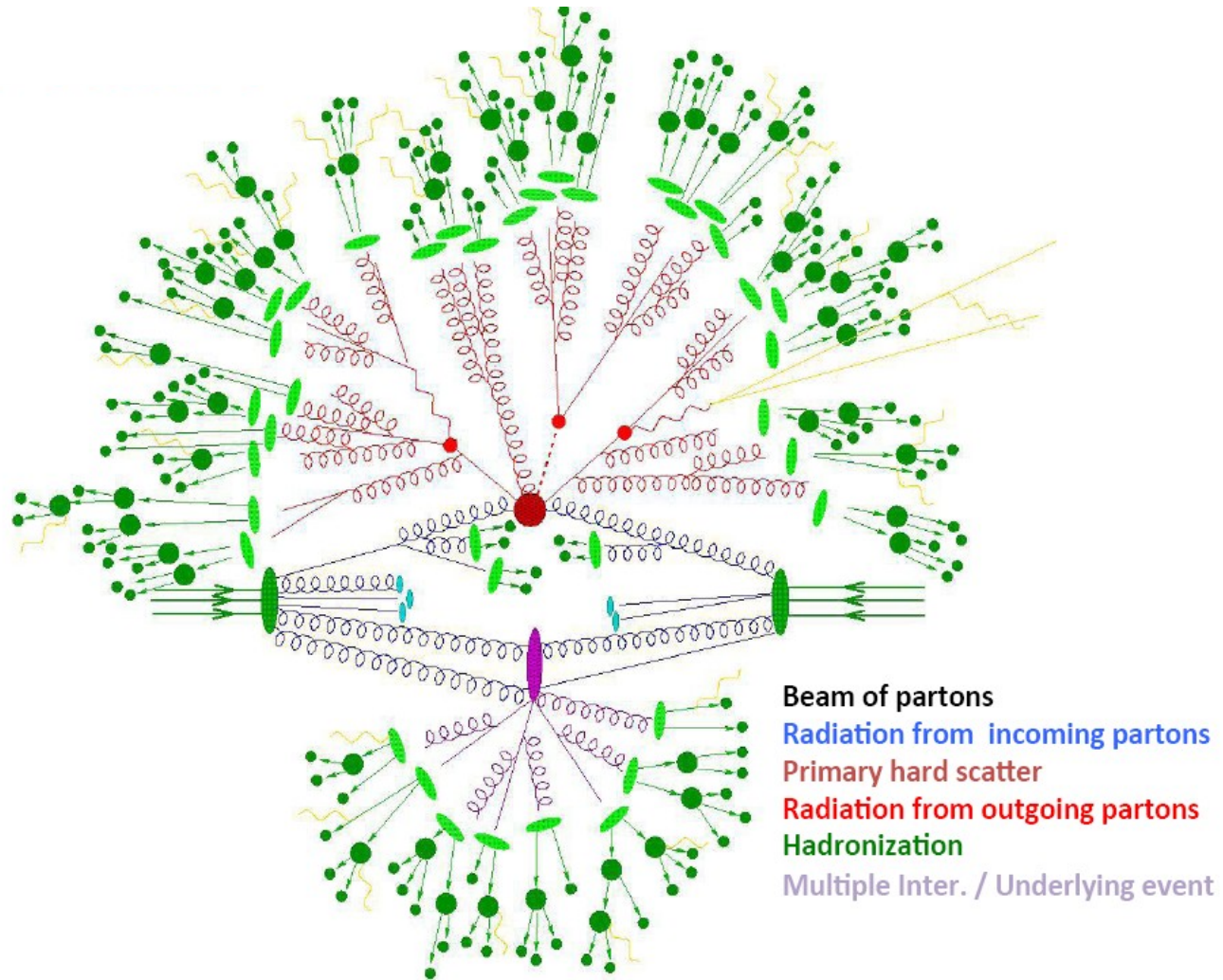
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QCD

- Scattering processes at high energy hadron colliders can be classified as either **HARD** or **SOFT**
- Quantum Chromodynamics (**QCD**) is the underlying theory for all such processes, but the approach is very different for the two cases
- For **HARD** processes, e.g. W production, the rates and event properties can be predicted using perturbation theory
- For **SOFT** processes, eg. Total cross-section rates and properties predicted by non-perturbative models

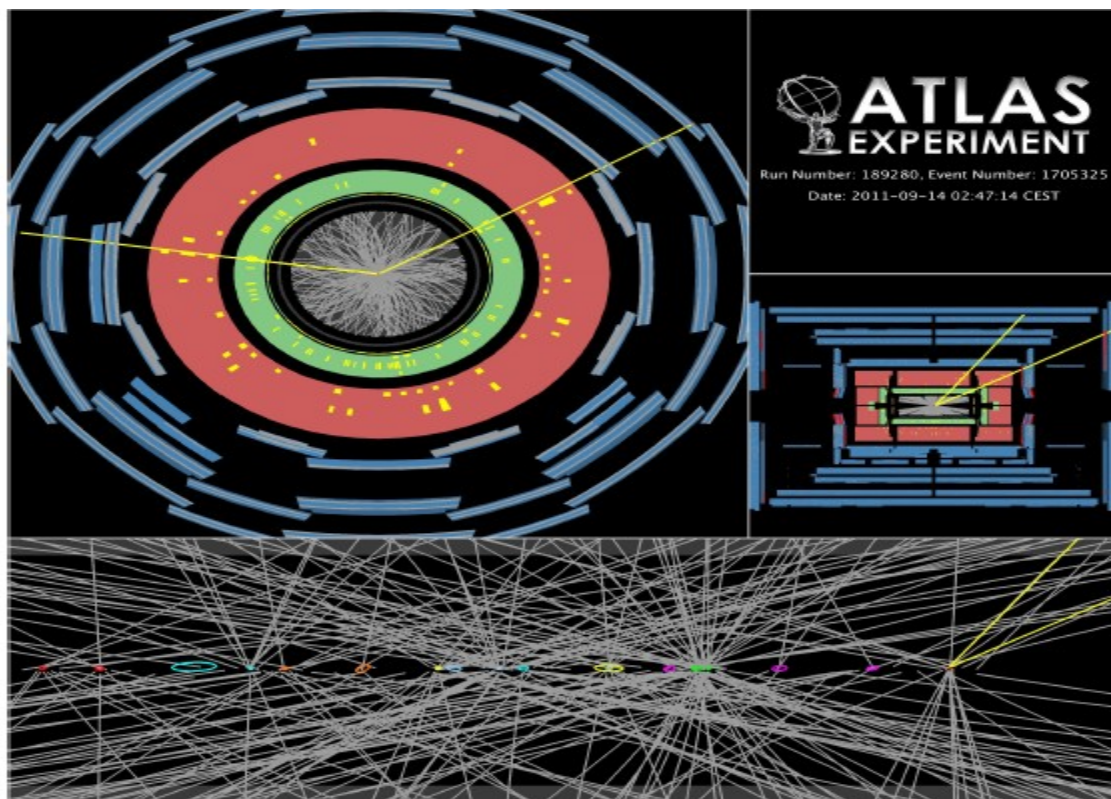


Typical pp collision



Why interest in soft QCD

- At almost every event triggered in ATLAS there will be soft (low p_T) QCD process underlying hard p_T physics



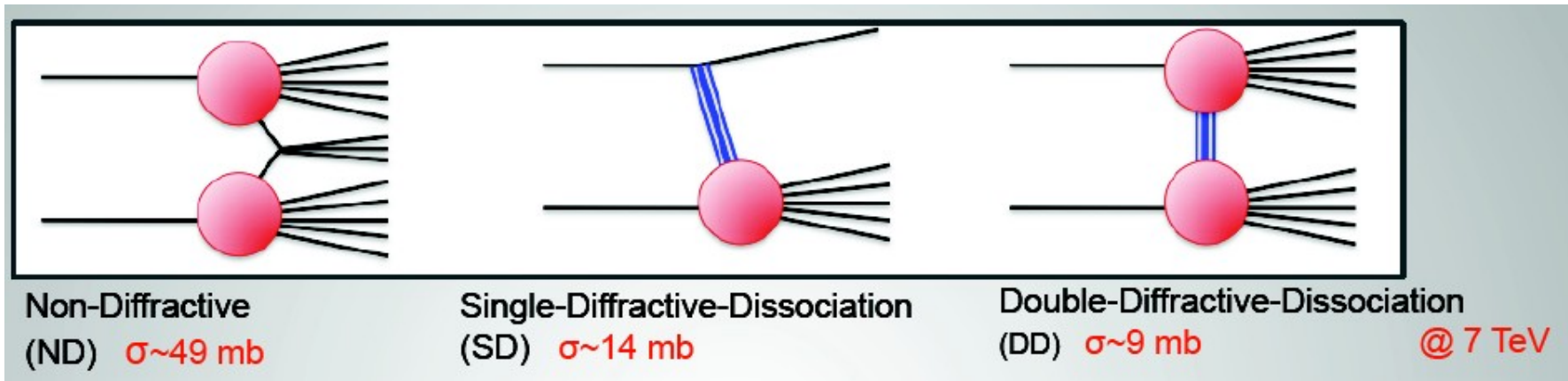
- Cannot be modelled from first principles (lagrangian),
- Has to be measured and then Monte Carlo will be tuned

Why “soft QCD” is interesting?

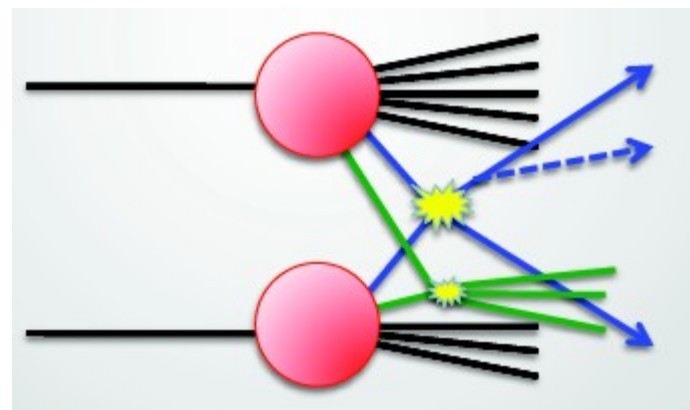


- It is non-perturbative physics and has an interesting phenomenology
 - Beam remnants
 - Multiple Parton Interactions
 - Color recombination
- ⇒ All adding up to the colorless objects
- It is an essential ingredient for precision high p_T physics
 - Causes an experimental bias: energy scale, isolation, efficiencies, fakes

Dominant pp interactions



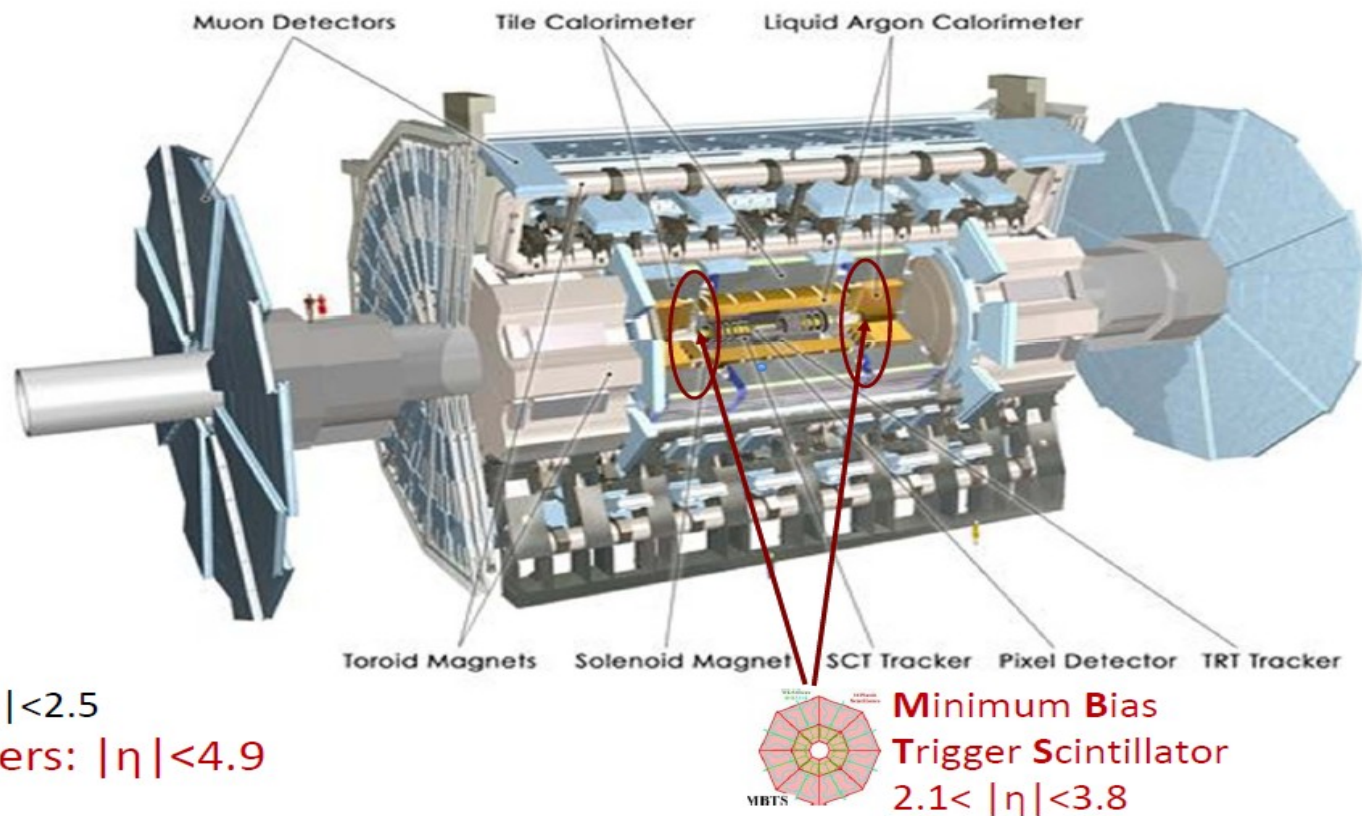
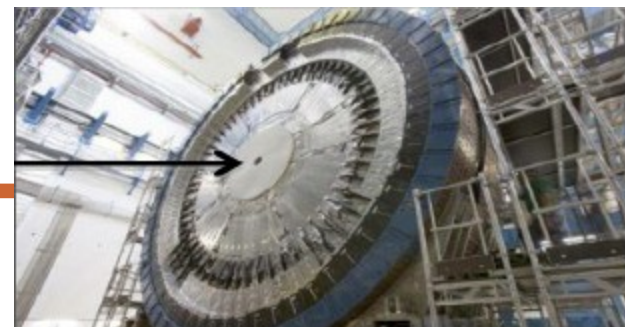
- Multi-parton interactions (**Underlying Event**)



Inelastic cross-section

- Use only few runs: 7 TeV data ($190 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$) + 900 GeV data ($7 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$) and 2.36 TeV data ($0.1 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$)
 - We want to study **all** inelastic pp interactions
 - Instantaneous luminosity very low for these runs: on average ~ 0.007 interactions per bunch crossing \rightarrow **99.3% of crossings are empty.**
 - Need to **“trigger”** on inelastic interactions:
Minimum Bias Scintillator Trigger (MBTS)
 - \rightarrow sensitive to any charged particle $2.09 < |\eta| < 3.84$
 - \rightarrow 16 counters on each side of ATLAS
 - Correct for detector inefficiencies and resolution, eg. present **spectrum of charge particles** not tracks
 - **No extrapolation** to regions not seen by ATLAS
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MBTS trigger



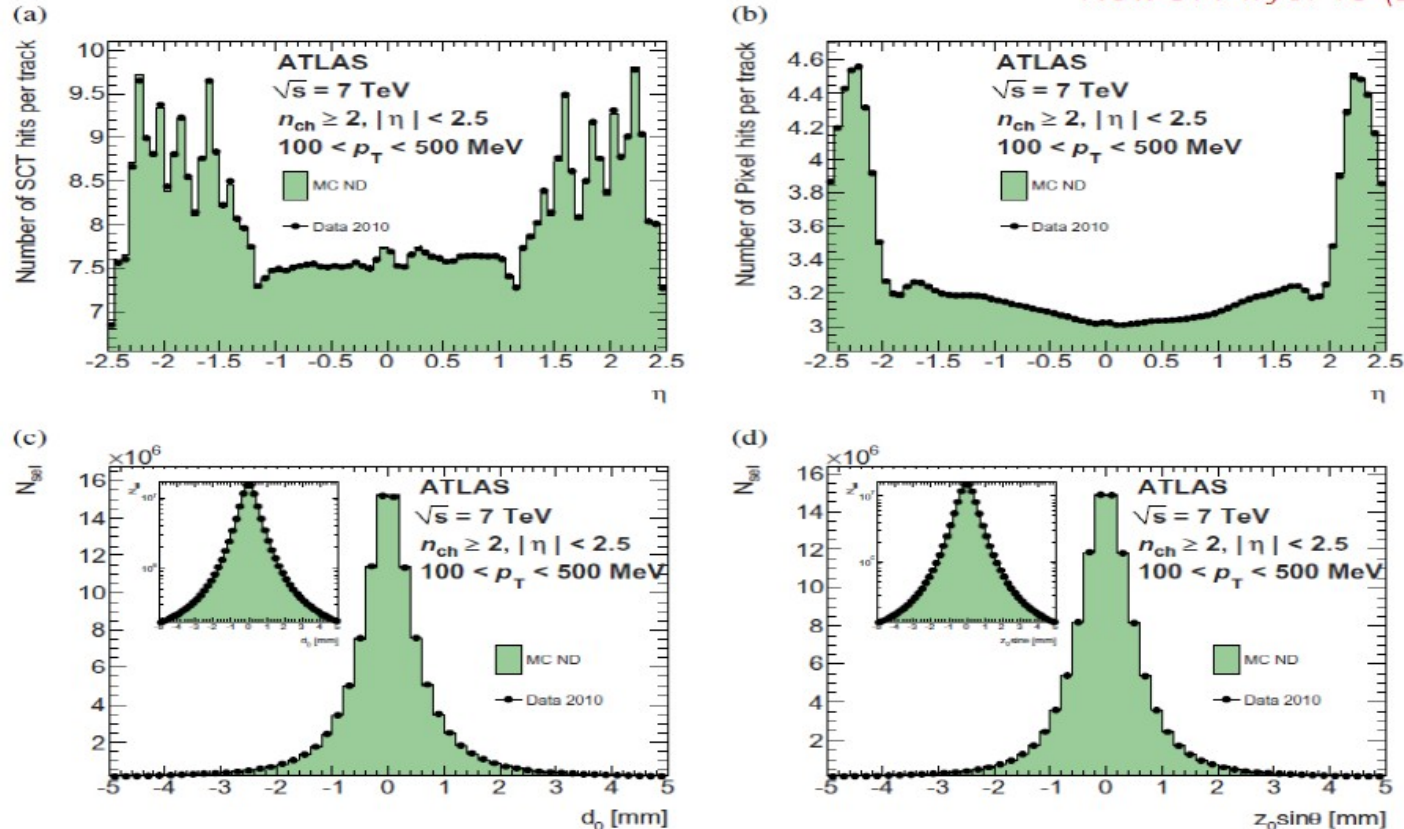
Trackers: $|\eta| < 2.5$

Calorimeters: $|\eta| < 4.9$

**Minimum Bias
Trigger Scintillator**
 $2.1 < |\eta| < 3.8$

How well understood detector?

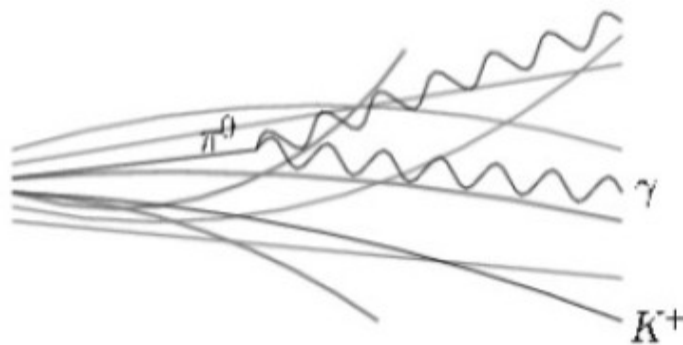
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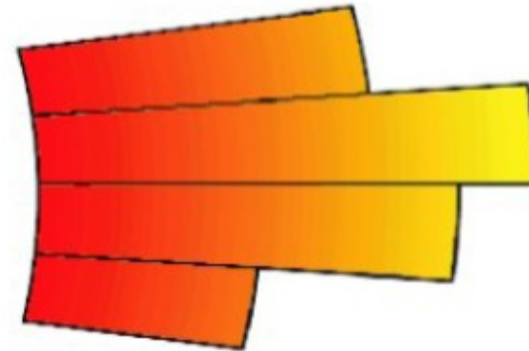
- Excellent agreement between data and MC: Pixel and Silicon hits per track

Unfolding to particle level

- Bayesian iterative unfolding used to correct tracks and clusters back to particle level.
 - Use mapping of truth particles on reconstructed objects (use Monte Carlo)



particle level



detector level

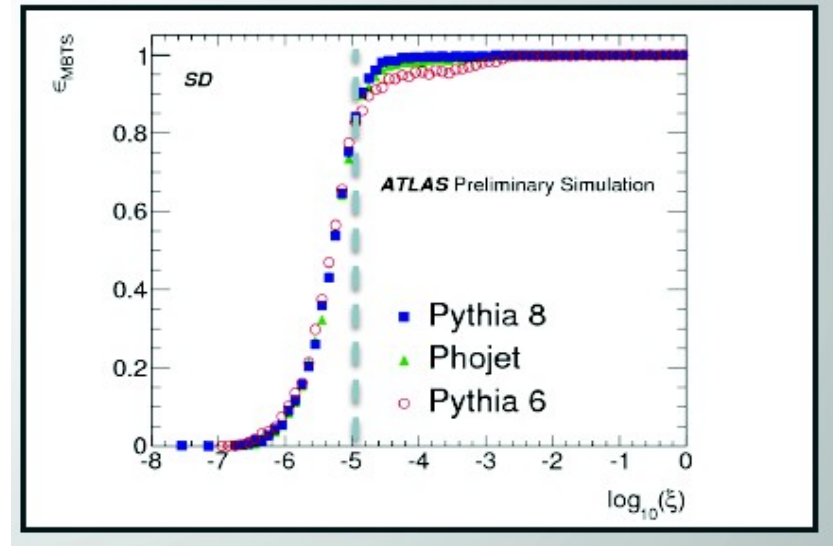
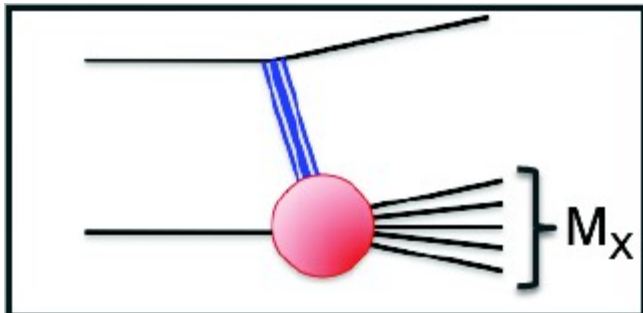
Total inelastic pp cross-section

- ATLAS made measurement with new and simple method (publ. in Nature Commun.)
 - Count inelastic collisions: $N^{\text{evts}} - N^{\text{bck}}$
 - Correct for efficiencies: ϵ
 - Normalise with luminosity

$$\sigma_{\text{inel}} = \frac{N^{\text{evts}} - N^{\text{bck}}}{\epsilon \times \mathcal{L}}$$

$$\xi = M_X^2/s$$

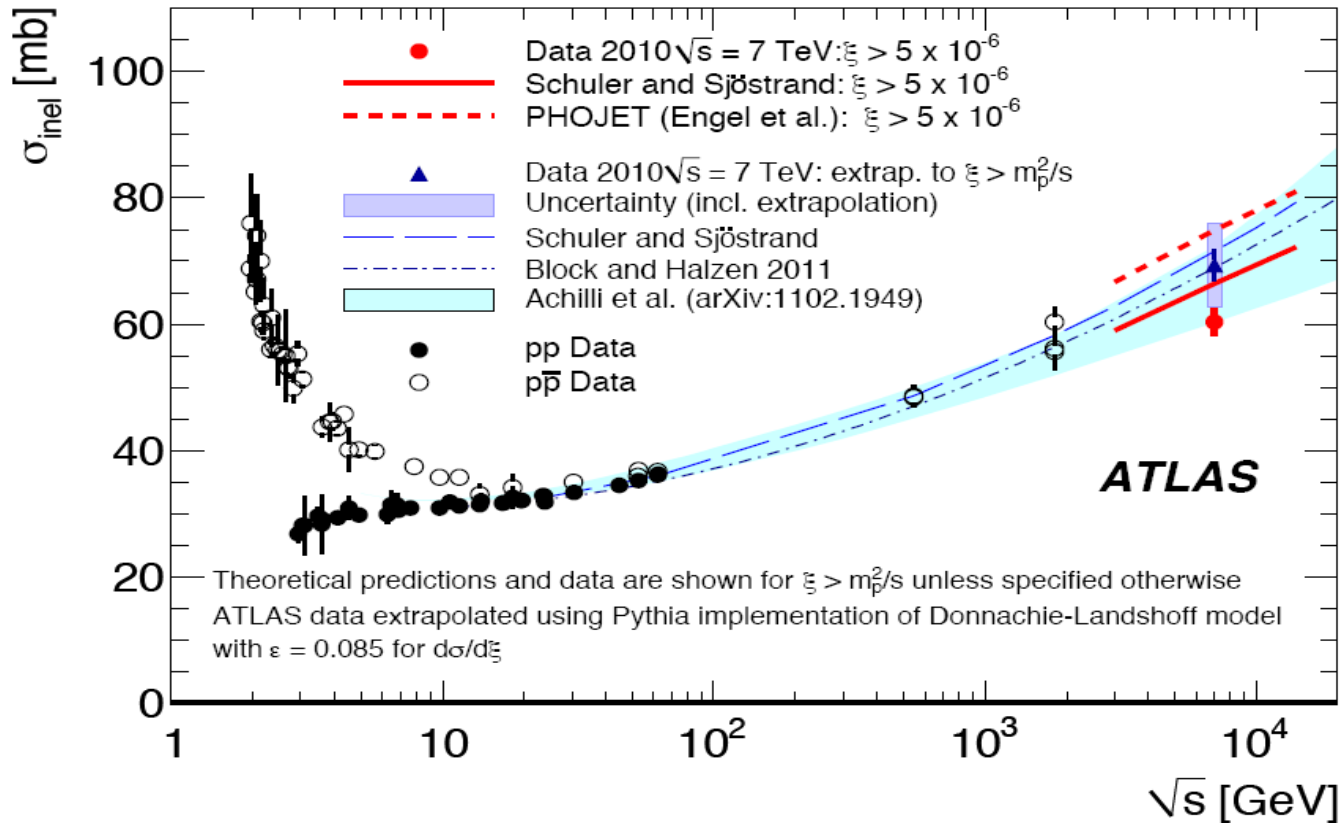
Restrict measurement to $\xi > 5 \times 10^{-6}$ ($M_X > 16$ GeV)



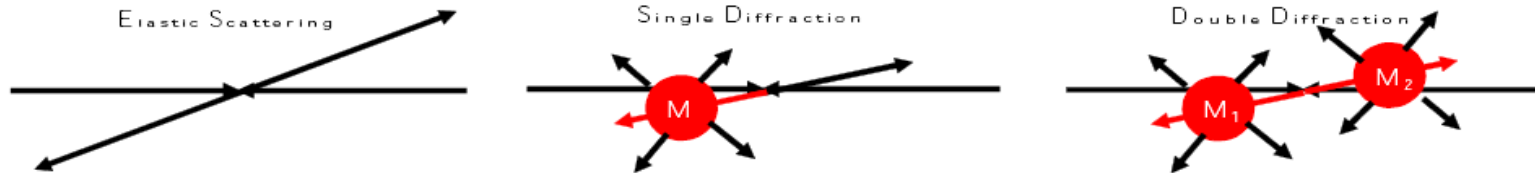
Total inelastic pp cross-section

$$\sigma(\xi > 5 \cdot 10^{-6}) = 60.3 \pm 0.05 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.5 \text{ (sys.)} \pm 2.1 \text{ (lumi) mb}$$

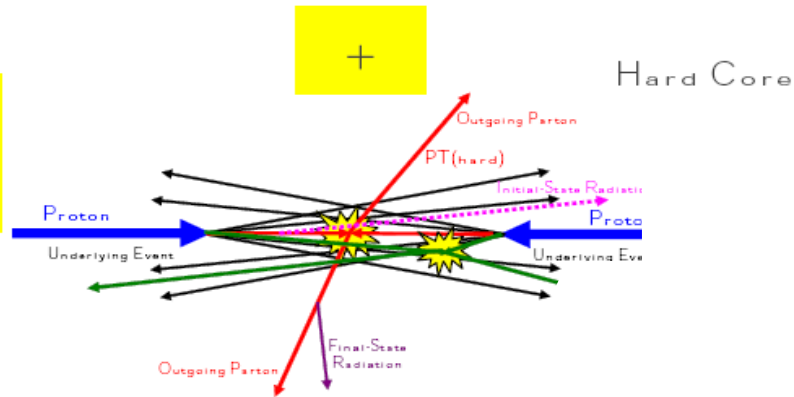
$$\sigma_{inel} = 69.1 \pm 2.4 \text{ (exp.)} \pm 6.9 \text{ (extr.) mb}$$



Total cross-section

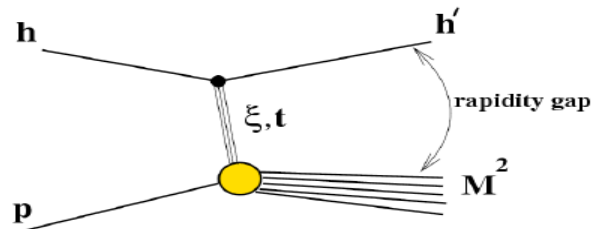


Rick Field's
Pictorial
Representation

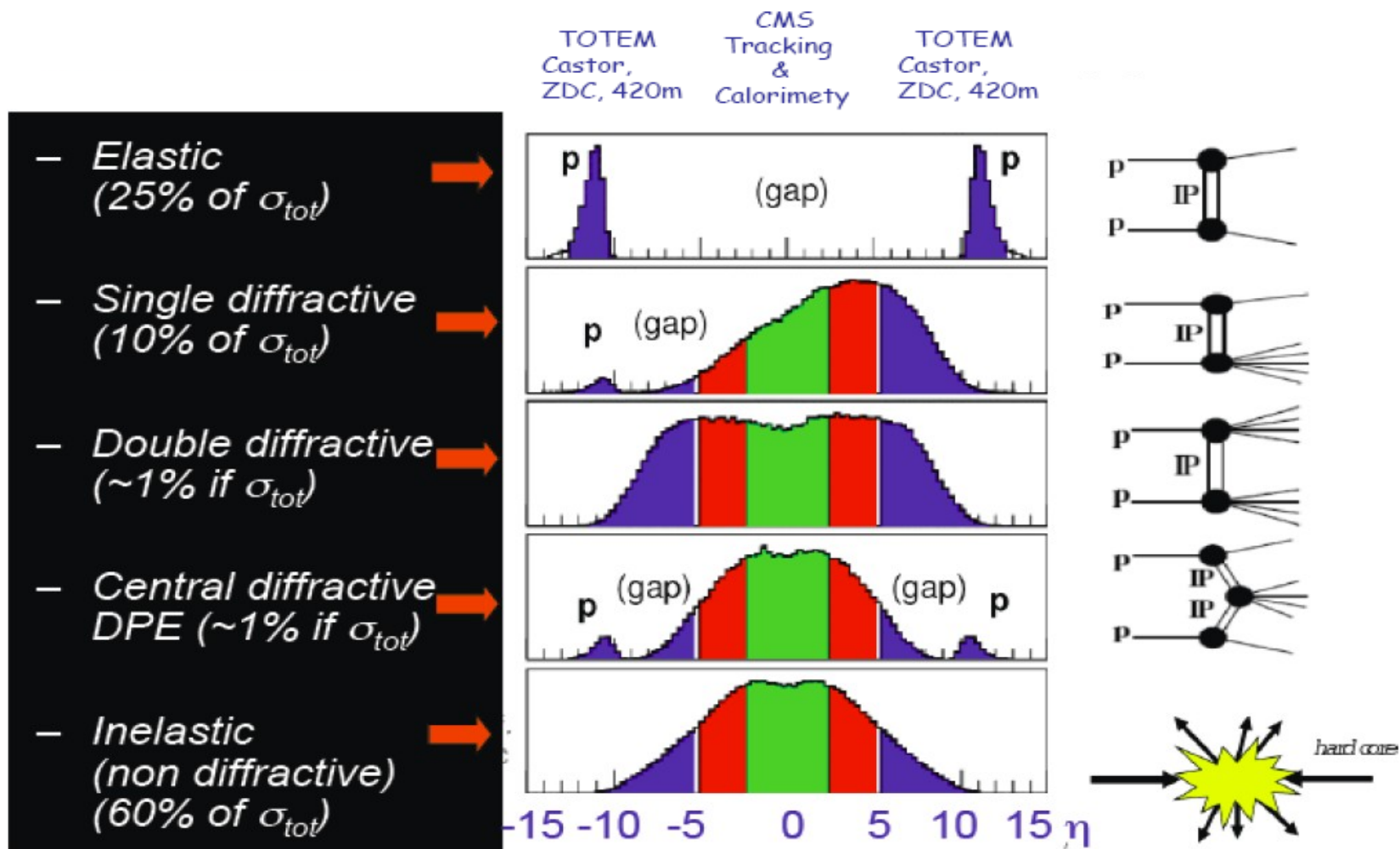


Elastic and diffractive processes
 ⇒ leading hadron emitted at small angle

The exchange ("pomeron") is colorless
 ⇒ large rapidity gap

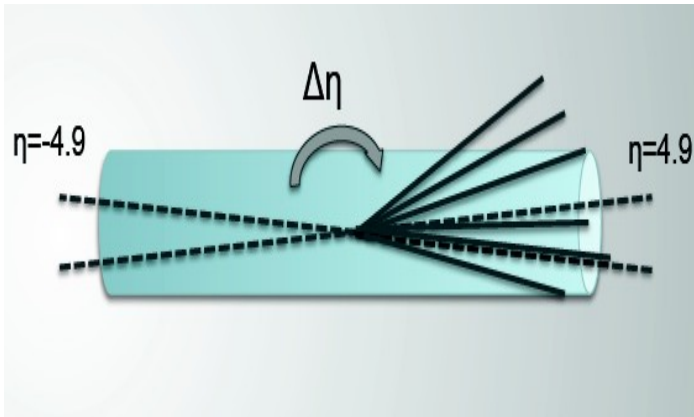
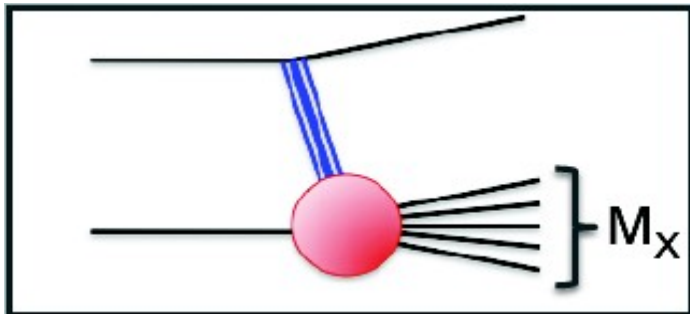


Characteristic in pseudorapidity



Gap cross-section

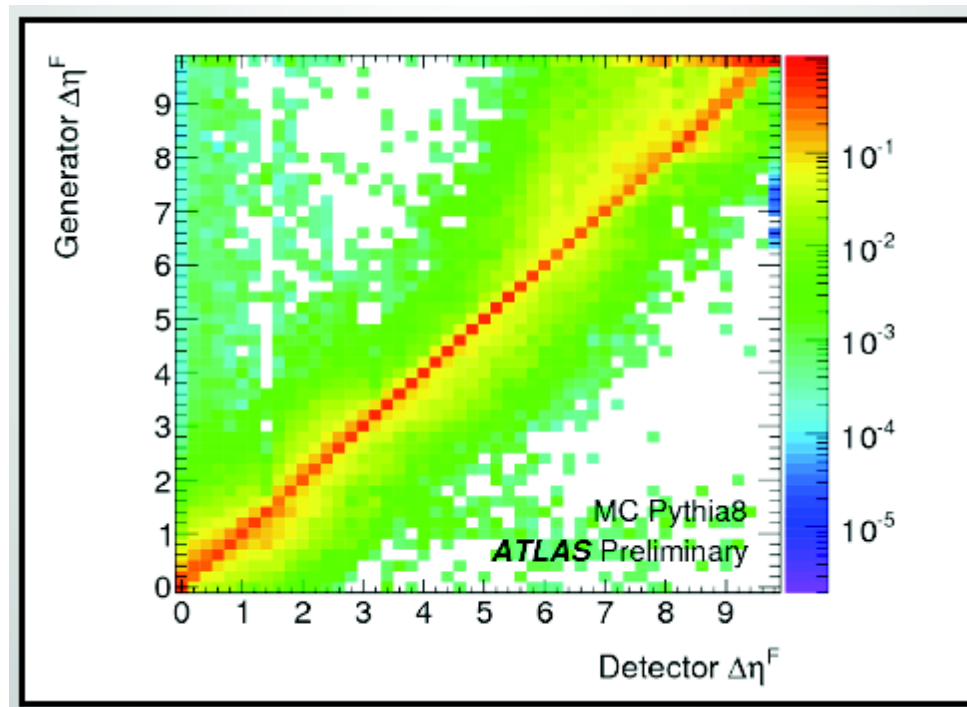
- Diffractive events tend to have large “rapidity gaps”
- Measure σ vs $\Delta\eta$ (large $\Delta\eta$ dominated by diffraction)



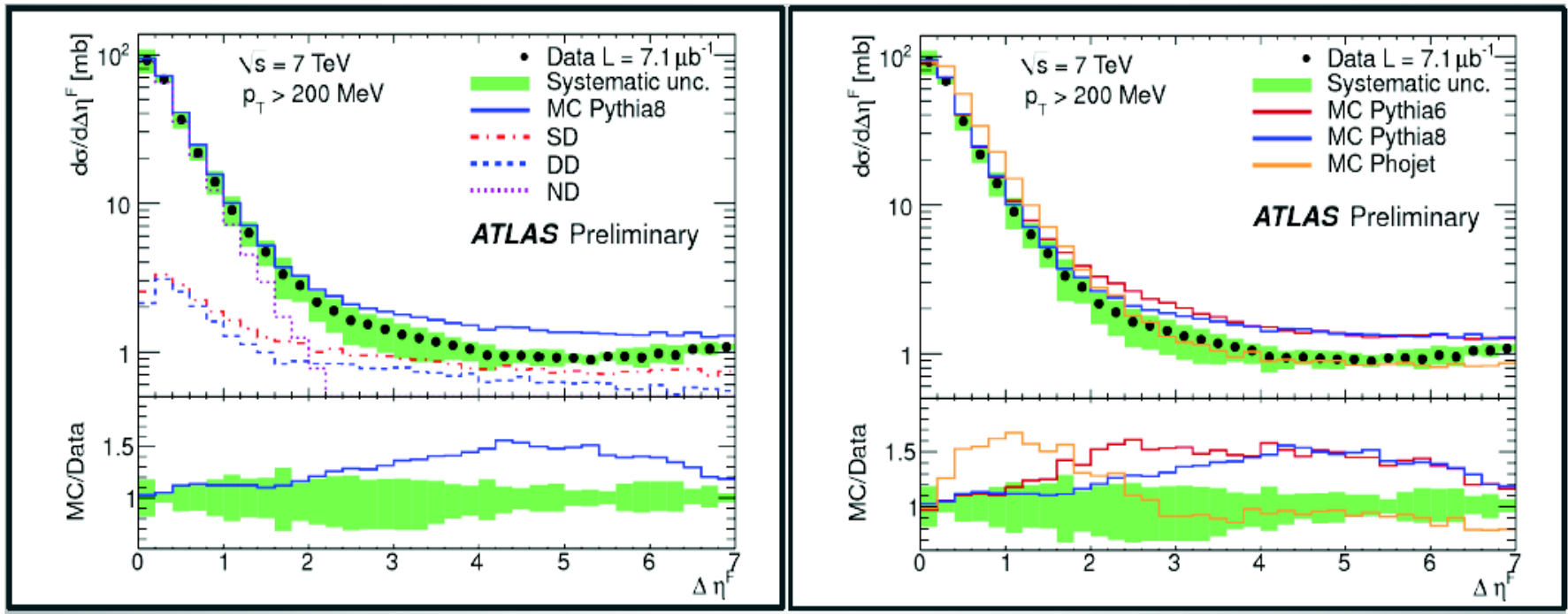
- Detector split into h rings (0.2 wide)
- Ring (detector) is empty if:
 - No calorimeter cells above threshold $|\eta| < 4.9$
 - No Inner Detector tracks $|\eta| < 2.5$ with $p_T > 200$ MeV
- Ring (Monte Carlo) is empty
 - No particles with $p_T > 200$ MeV

Gap cross-section

- Unfolding matrix



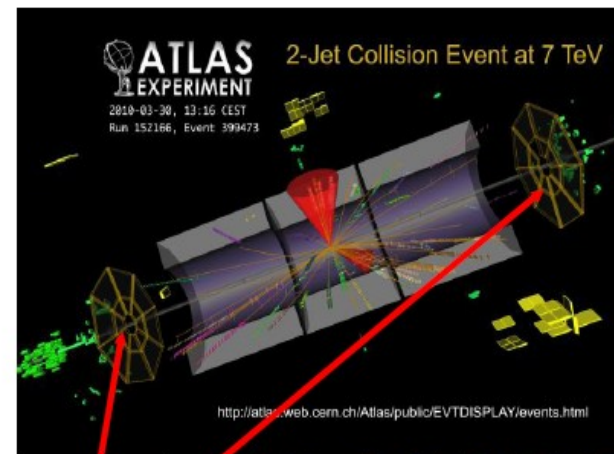
Gap cross-section



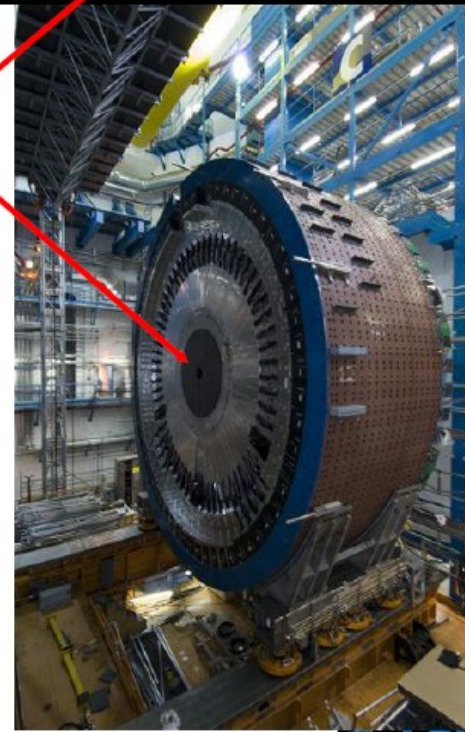
- Dominant systematic uncertainties
 - MC model dependence of corrections
 - Calorimeter energy-scale

Minimum bias

- Minimum bias events: minimum possible requirements that ensure an inelastic collision occurred
 - Require 1 MBTS counter to fire on either side
 - Require reconstructed primary vertex
 - At least N good quality tracks

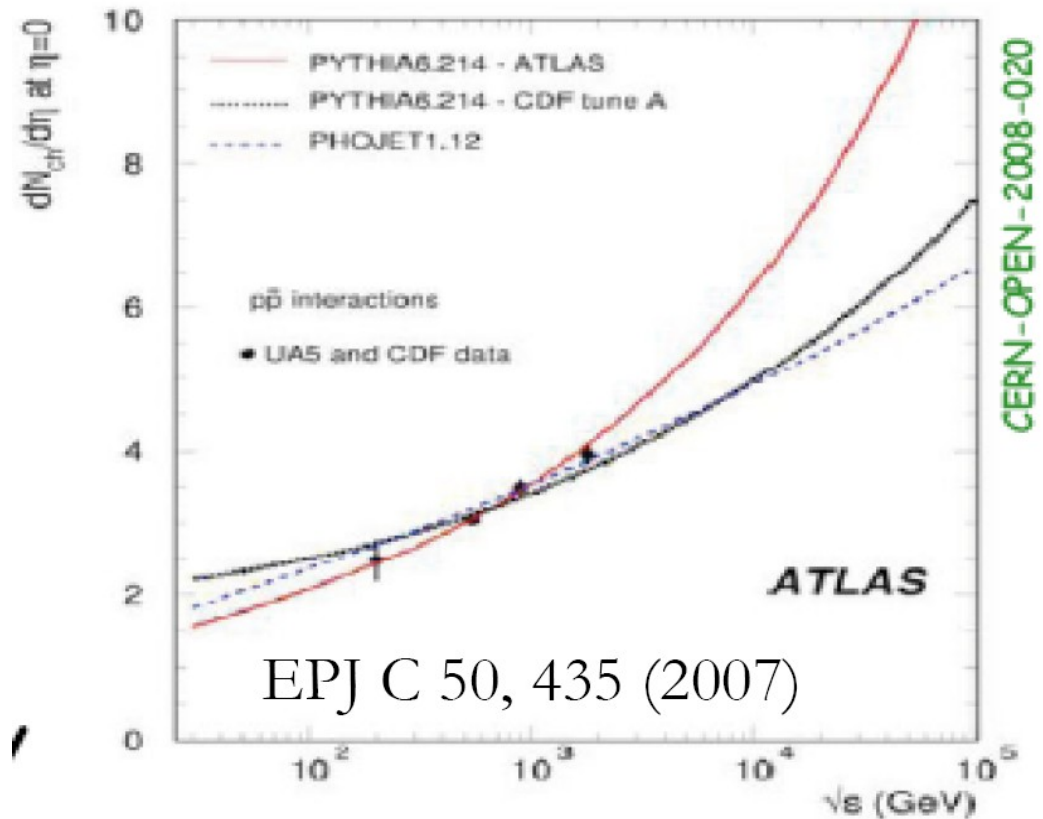


Minimum
Bias Trigger
Scintillators
(MBTS)
 $2.09 < \eta < 3.84$



Minimum bias at LHC

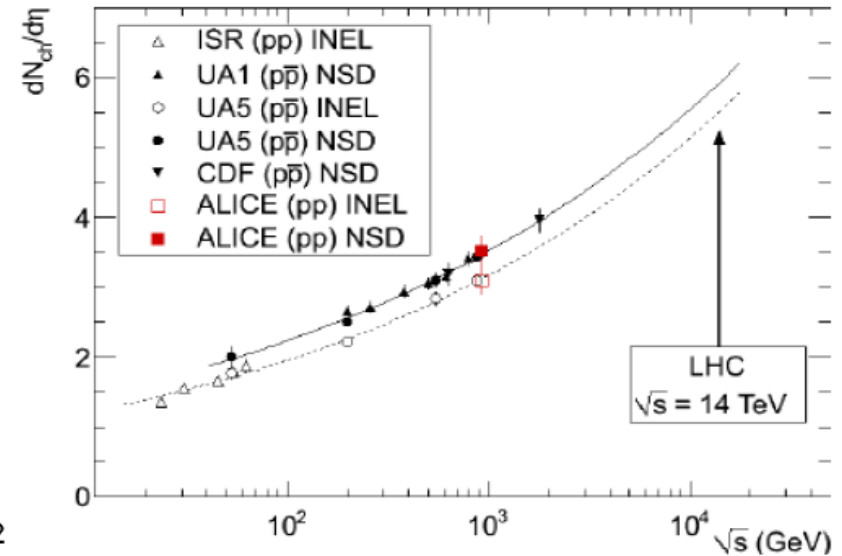
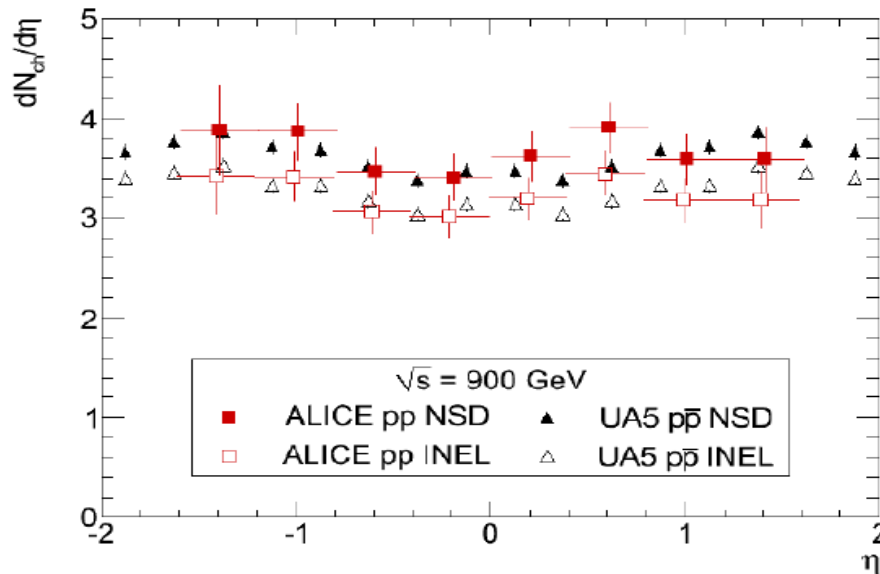
- Pre-LHC era



ALICE publication

$dN_{ch}/d\eta$ @ 900 GeV

$|\eta| < 0.5$

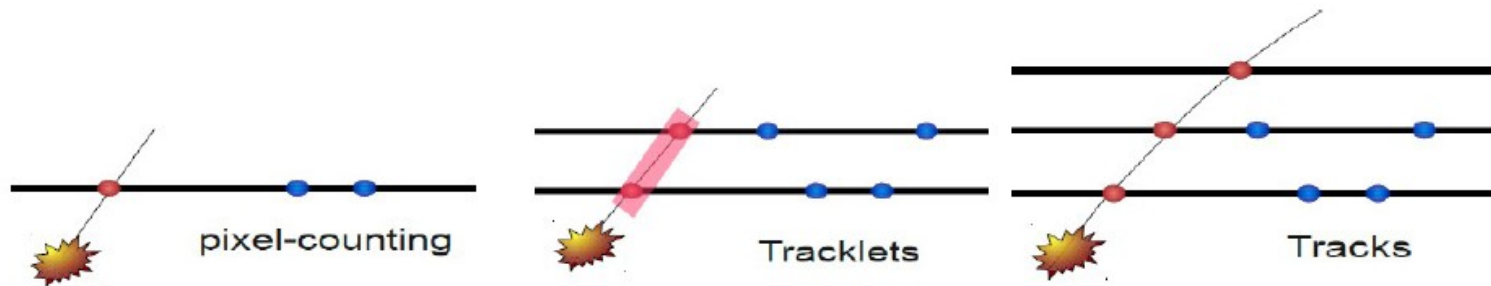


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Details: no magnetic field, charged particles from counting number of tracklets, efficiencies from MC, confirms consistency with ppbar results (predicted diff 0.1-0.2%). Only statistical errors shown, systematic of 7.1 % (NSD), 7.2% (INEL), dominated by fraction and kinematics of diffractive processes

Three analysis techniques

- Event selection is aimed at selecting NonSingleDiffractive events with high efficiency (rejecting large fraction of SingleDiffractive)
- Efficiency: NSD $\sim 86\%$, SD $\sim 19\%$.



Pixel Counting

Clusters/layer

- Three $dN/d\eta$ measurements

Largest acceptance

- Most Sensitive to backgrounds

Sensitivity: $30\text{MeV}/c$

Tracklets

2 of 3 pixel layers

- Three $dN/d\eta$ measurements
- Less sensitive to backgrounds

Sensitivity: $50\text{MeV}/c$

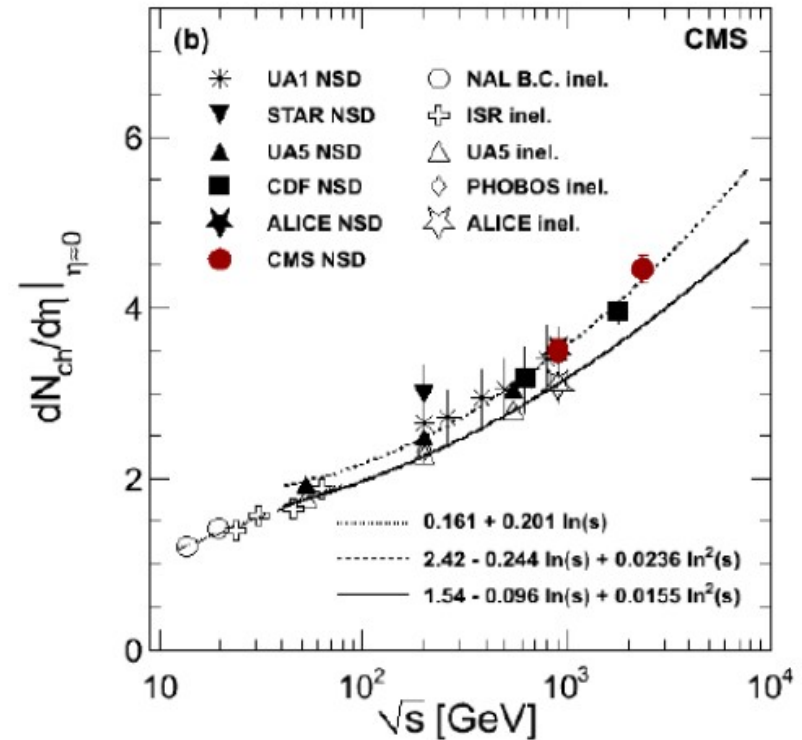
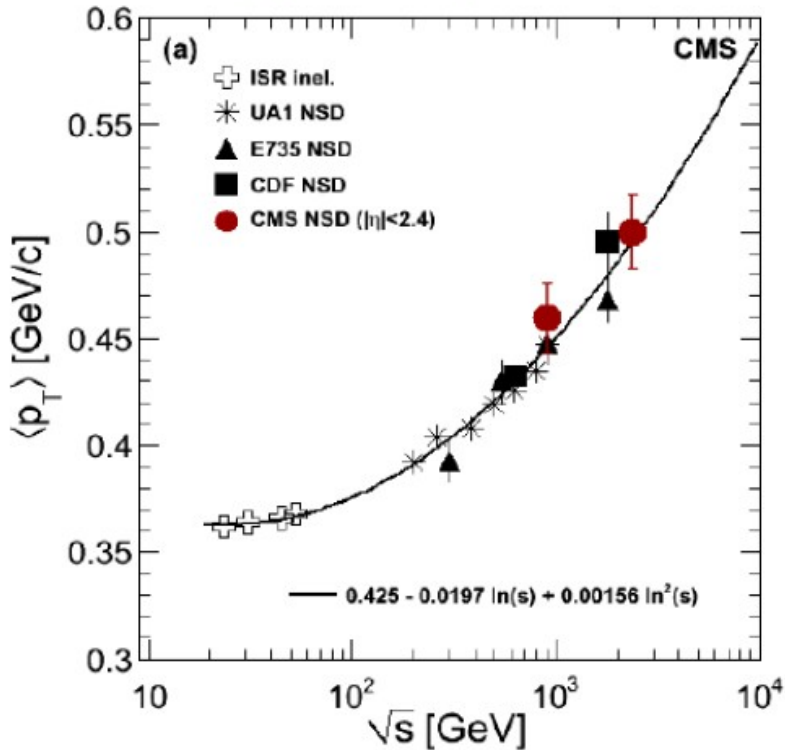
Tracks

$dN/d\eta$ and dN/dp_T

- Most robust against backgrounds

Sensitivity: $100\text{MeV}/c$

Energy dependence



$$\frac{dN/d\eta(@2.36\text{TeV})}{dN/d\eta(@0.9\text{TeV})} \\ (28.4 \pm 1.4 \pm 2.6)\%$$

Ratio @900GeV/@2.36TeV
significantly larger than prediction
from PYTHIA&PHOJET tunes used
in the analysis 18.4% & 14.5%

Atlas analysis strategy

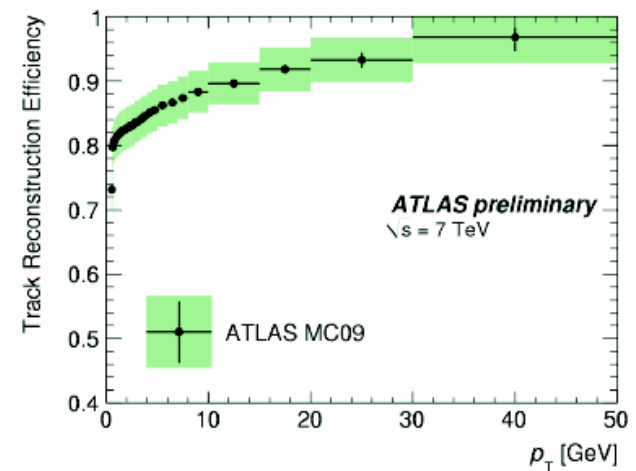
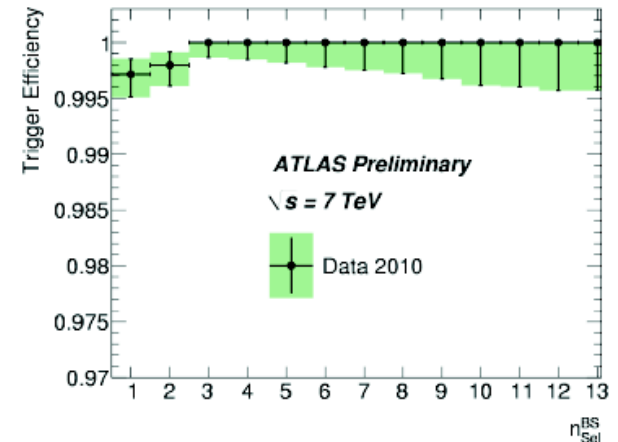
- Use charged particle multiplicity distributions to probe soft QCD:

$$\frac{1}{N_{\text{ev}}} \cdot \frac{dN_{\text{ch}}}{d\eta}, \quad \frac{1}{N_{\text{ev}}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi p_{\text{T}}} \cdot \frac{d^2N_{\text{ch}}}{d\eta dp_{\text{T}}}, \quad \frac{1}{N_{\text{ev}}} \cdot \frac{dN_{\text{ev}}}{dn_{\text{ch}}} \quad \text{and} \quad \langle p_{\text{T}} \rangle \text{ vs. } n_{\text{ch}}$$

- Analysis components:
 - Trigger and event selection
 - Track reconstruction efficiency
 - Unfolding from track to hadron level (using MC)
 - Compare to Monte Carlo phenomenological models
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Efficiency correction from Monte Carlo

- Trigger and vertex efficiencies derived from data
 - Trigger > 99.5% efficient (obtained from a control trigger)
- Tracking efficiency from Monte Carlo
 - various data ↔ Monte Carlo to set systematics
 - dominant systematics comes from knowledge of the material
- Unfold to the hadron level
 - complicated procedure



Track-to-particle correction

Correction for $dN_{ch}/d\eta$, dN_{ch}/dp_T distributions

- Apply efficiencies and other corrections as weights during analysis

Event-weight

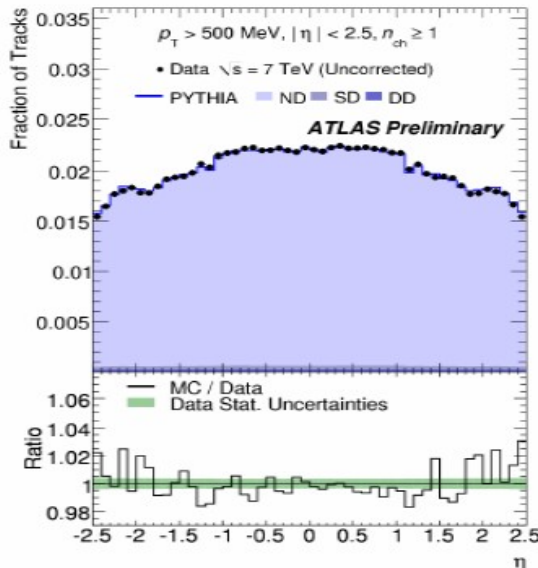
- Trigger- and vertex efficiency

$$w_{ev}(N_{Sel}^{BS}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_{trig}(N_{Sel}^{BS})} \cdot \frac{1}{\epsilon_{vtx}(N_{Sel}^{BS})}$$

Track-weight

- Track efficiency
- Secondaries
- Out-of-phasespace

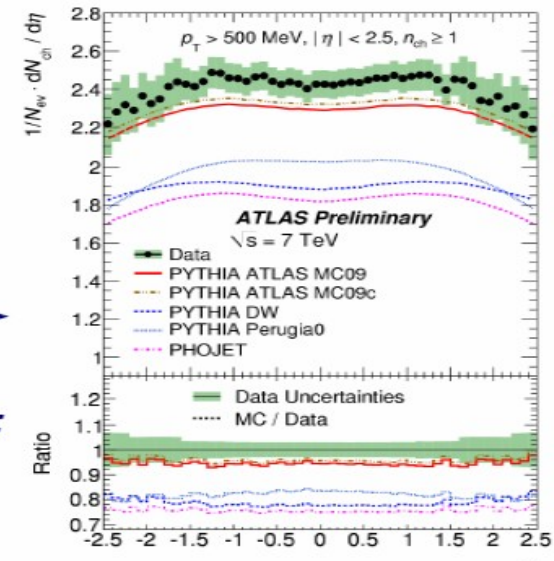
$$w_{trk}(p_T, \eta) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_{bin}(p_T, \eta)} \cdot (1 - f_{sec}(p_T)) \cdot (1 - f_{okr}(p_T, \eta))$$



**“Raw”
distribution:**
Measured
track density

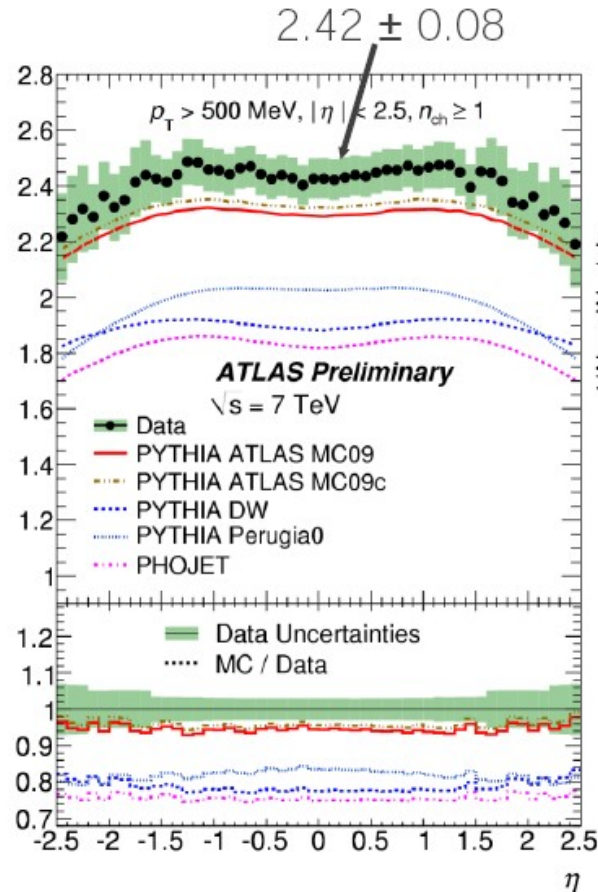
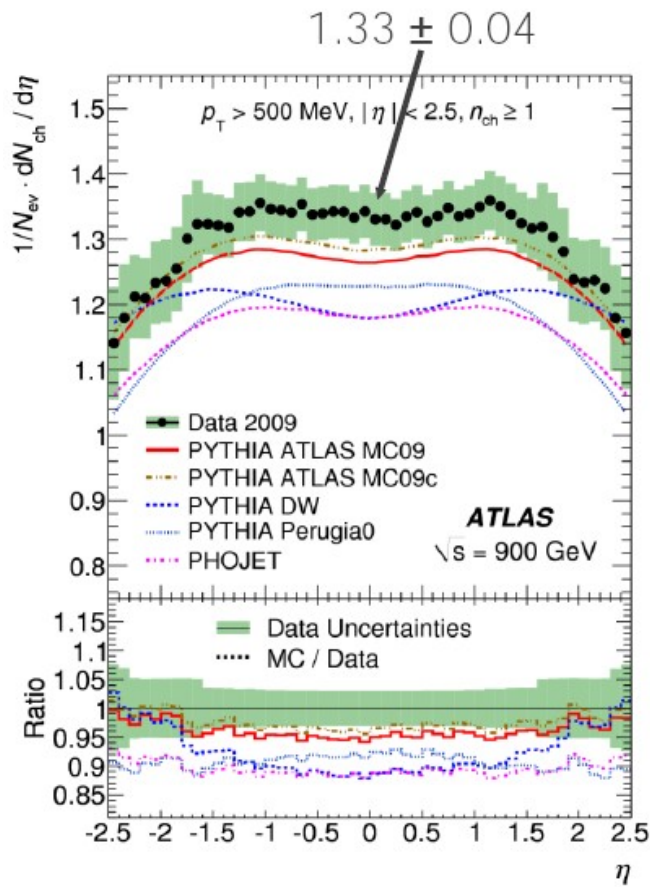


**Final
distribution:**
Charged
particle
density

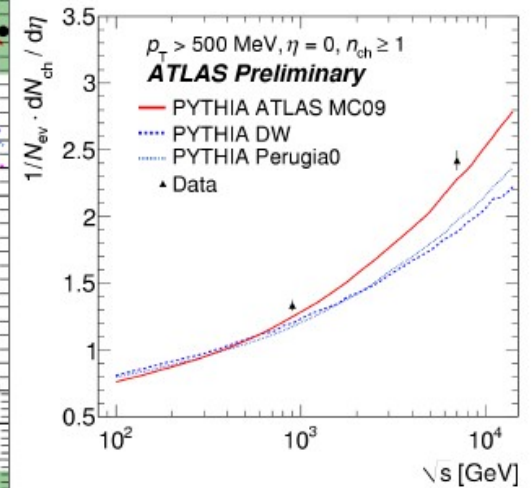


η spectra and particle multiplicity

$1/N_{ev} dN_{ch}/d\eta$: 900 GeV and 7 TeV



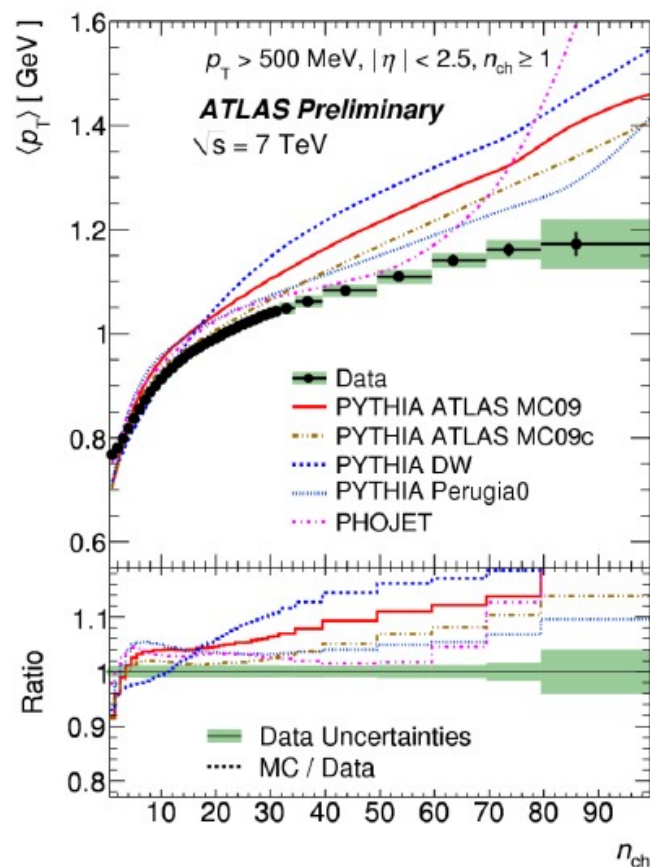
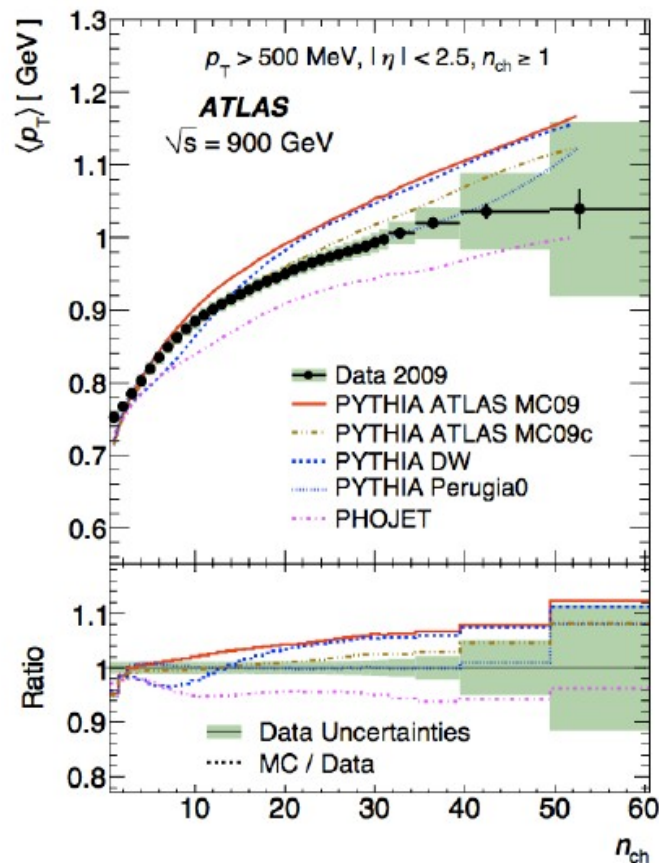
No Monte Carlo is perfect



p_T spectra

All disagree with data for high charged particle multiplicity

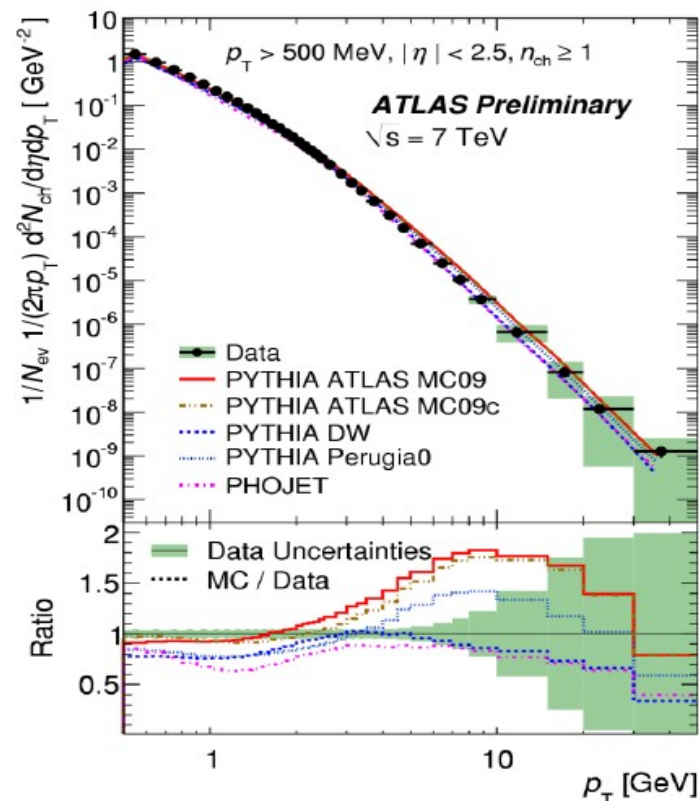
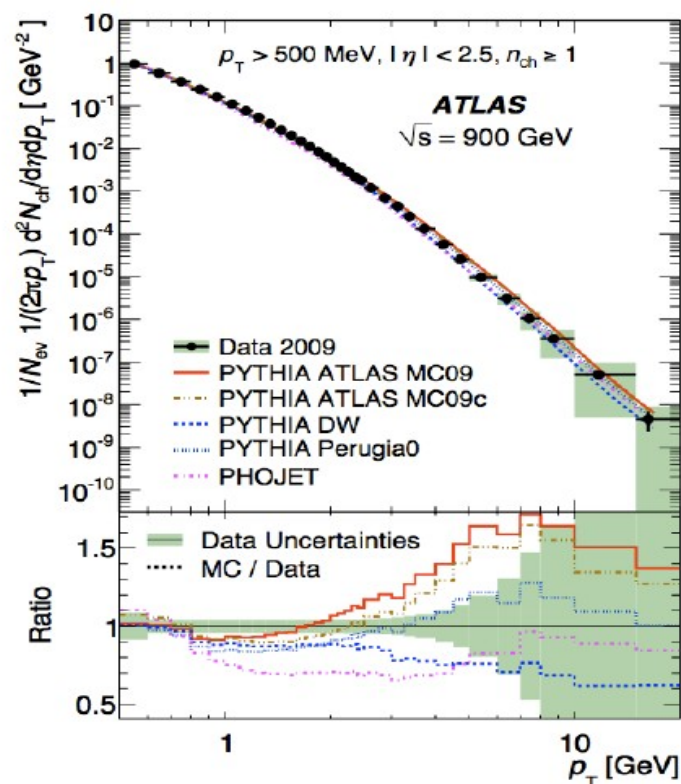
$\langle p_T \rangle$ vs n_{ch} : 900 GeV and 7TeV



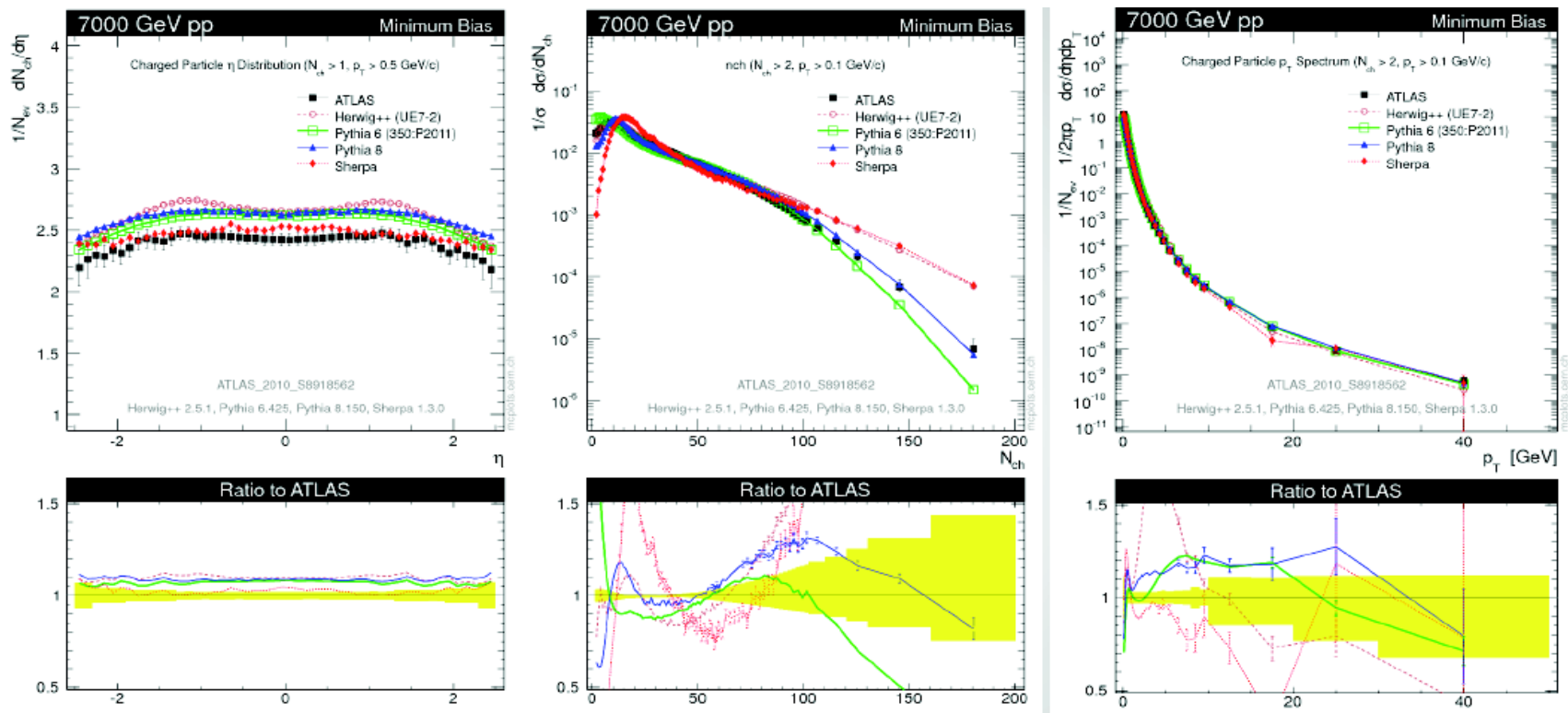
p_T spectra

Significant disagreement for $p_T > 2$ GeV, the hard part for soft model

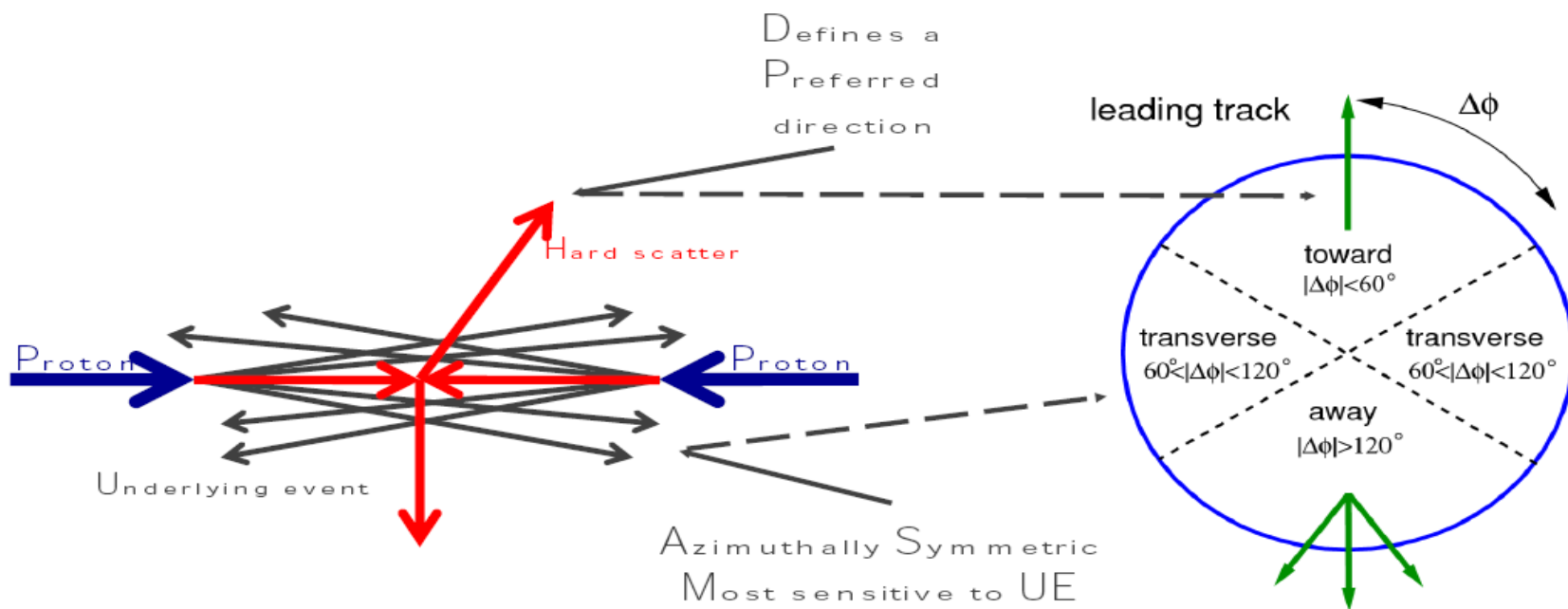
p_T spectrum $1/N_{ev} (1/2\pi p_T) d^2N_{ch}/d\eta dp_T$



Example of comparison

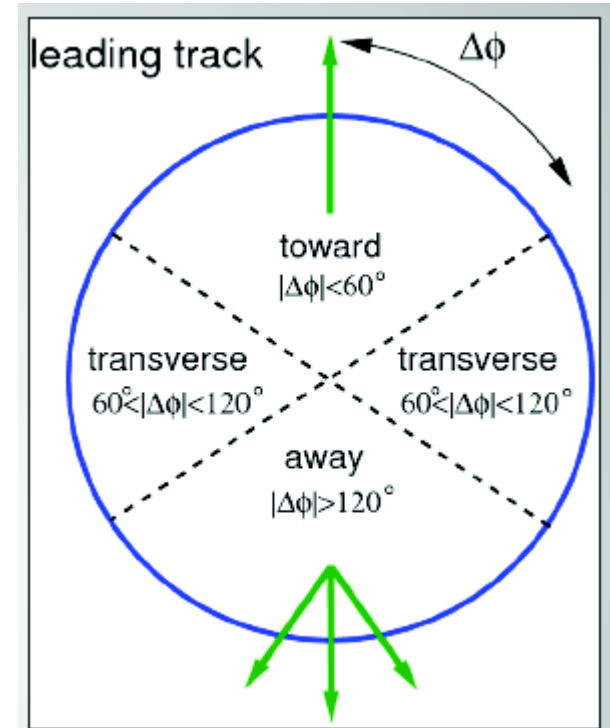
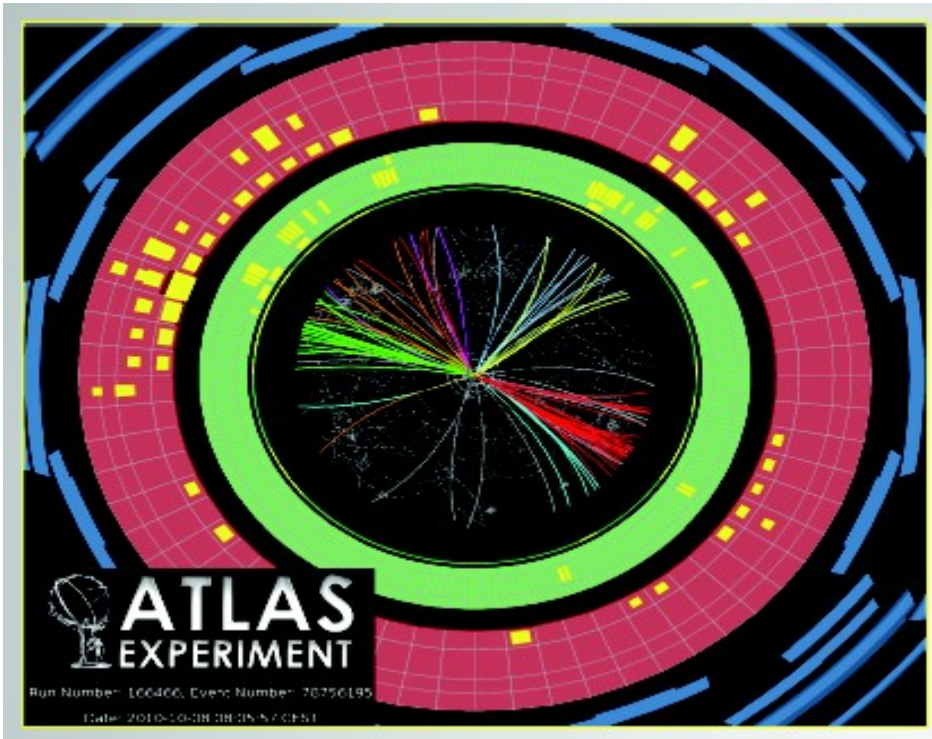


Underlying event



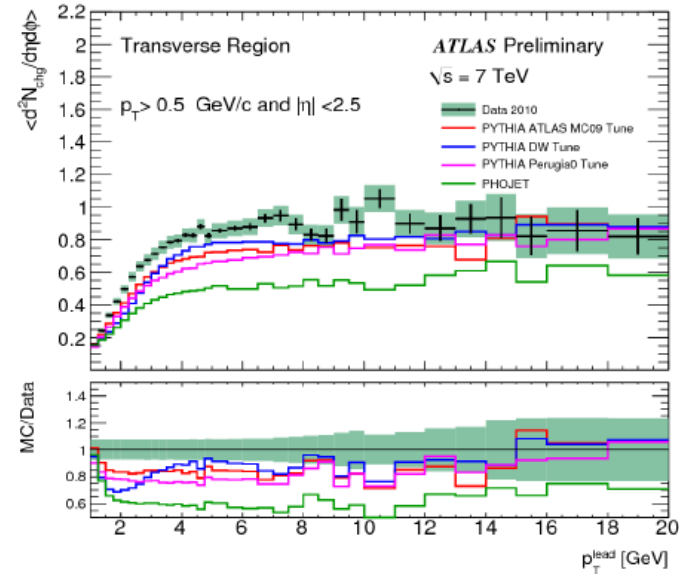
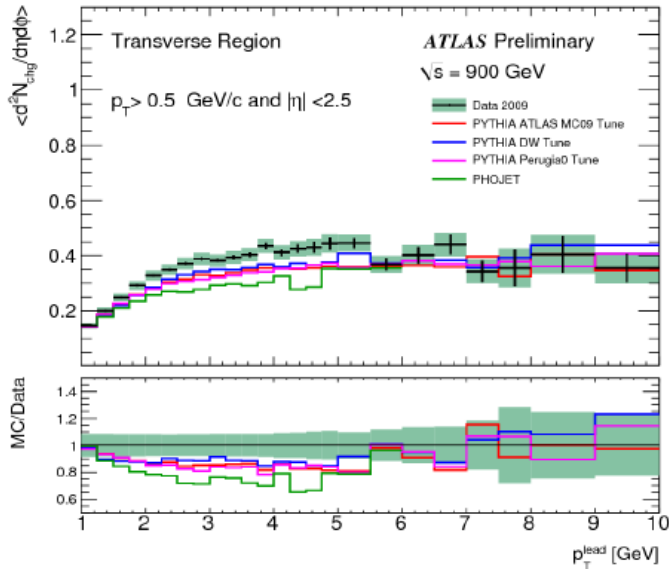
- UE = “everything” - “hard scatter” = beam-beam remnants, MPI, ISR
- Study: charged particle density, transverse momentum, average p_T . Transverse region considered most sensitive to UE

“Underlying event”



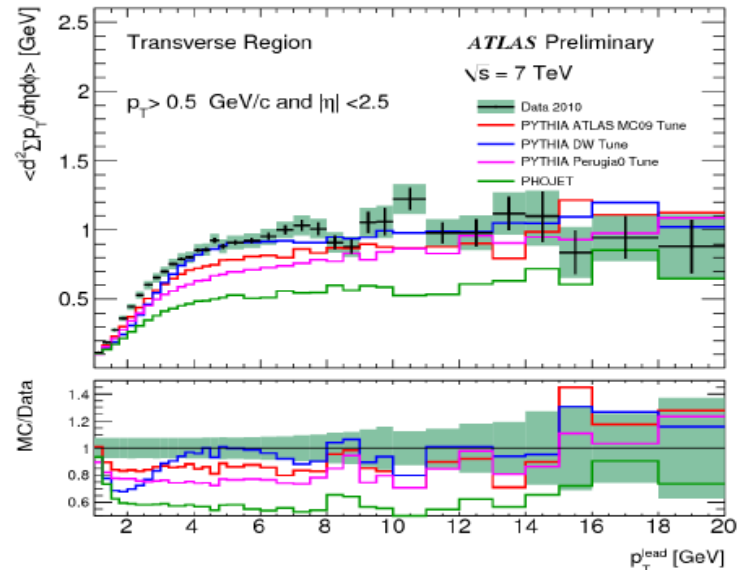
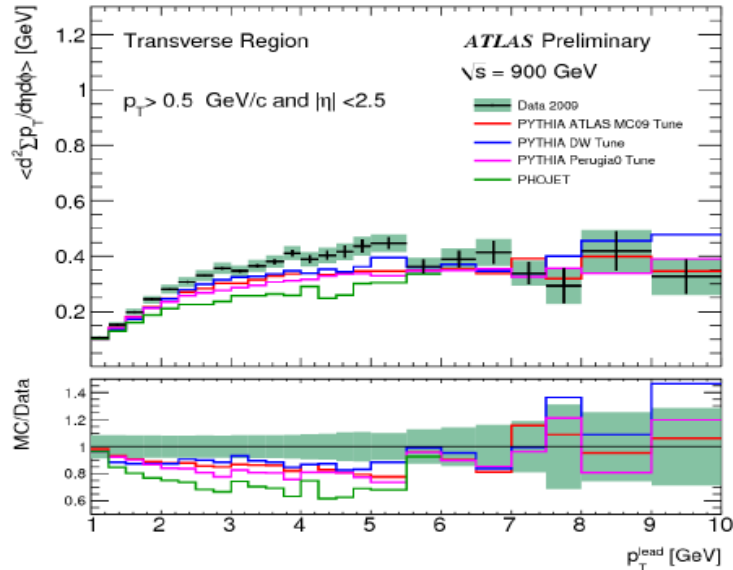
- Define the direction of “hard scatter” as the highest p_T particle
- Study the activity (#of particles) in the region “transverse” to the hard scatter.

Transverse region particle density



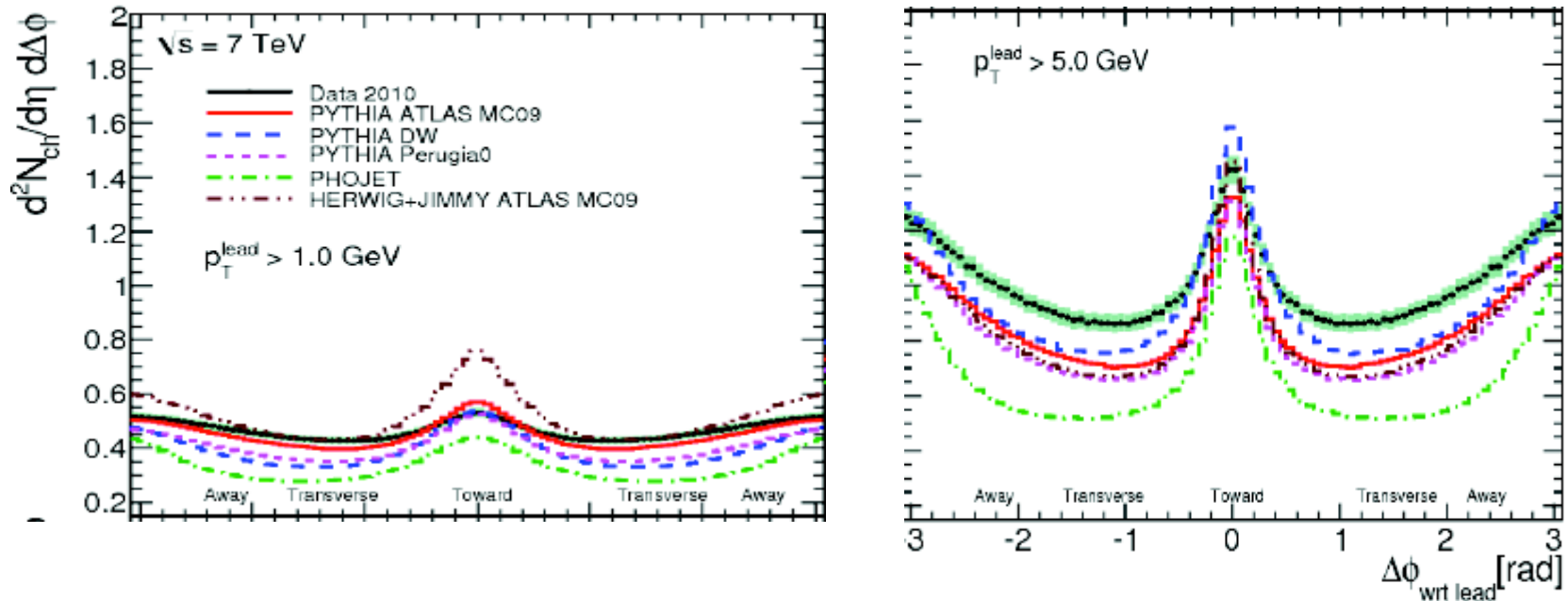
- All tunes underestimate particle density by 10%-15% in the plateau region
- There is factor of ~ 2 increase in activities between 900 GeV and 7 TeV
- In the plateau region the measured density corresponds to ~ 2.5 per unit η at 900 GeV and 5 particle at 7 TeV

Transverse region $\langle \Sigma p_T \rangle$ density



- Similar conclusions:
 - there is factor of ~ 2 increase in activities between 900 GeV and 7 TeV
 - all tunes underestimate the scalar sum p_T in the transverse region

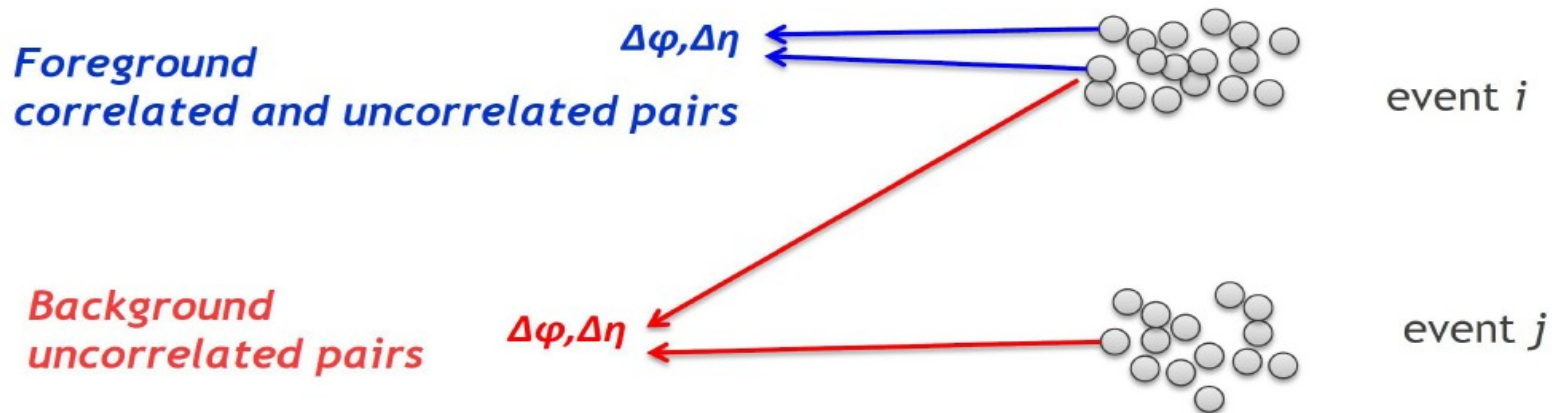
Particle Density Angular Correlation



- Define the event orientation by the azimuthal angle on the track with the highest p_T .
- MC tunes only reproduce the general features, disagreement in rates both in the transverse region (UE) and in the away region (MPI/Hard Core)

Two-particle correlations

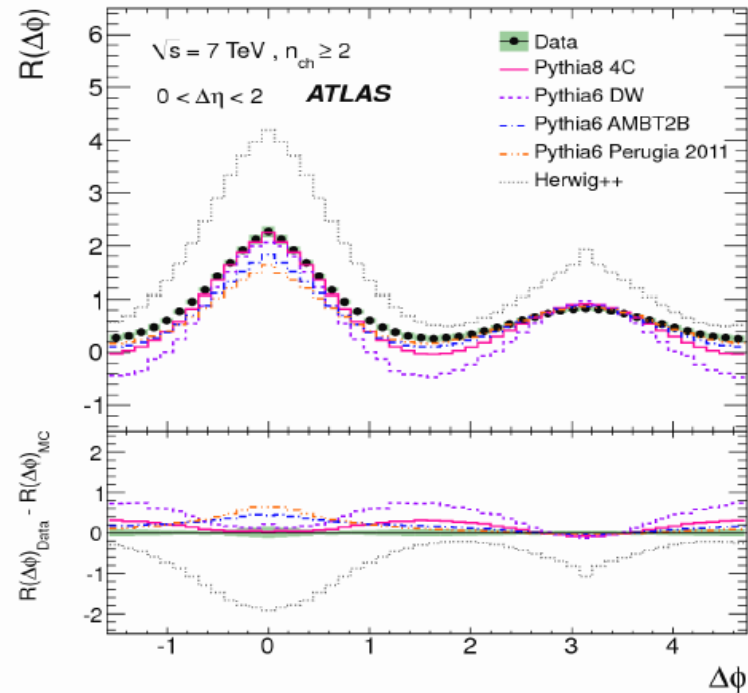
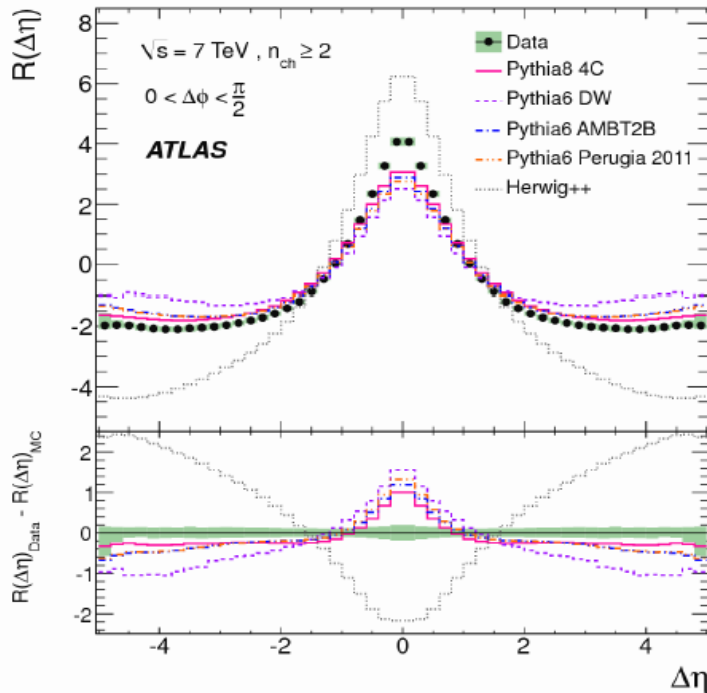
$$R(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi) = \frac{\langle (N_{ch} - 1) F(N_{ch}, \Delta\eta, \Delta\phi) \rangle_{ch}}{B(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi)} - \langle N_{ch} - 1 \rangle_{ch}$$



- Multiplicity-independent 2-particle correlations over the multiplicity averaged background.

Two-particle correlations

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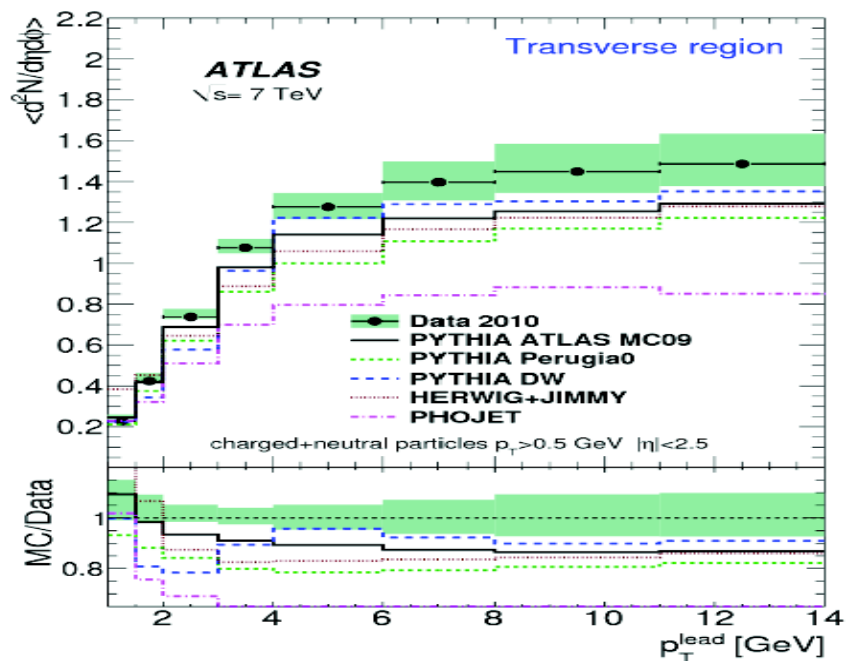


- Data demonstrate existence of 2-particle angular correlations of different types.
- MC reproduces general features but not the strength

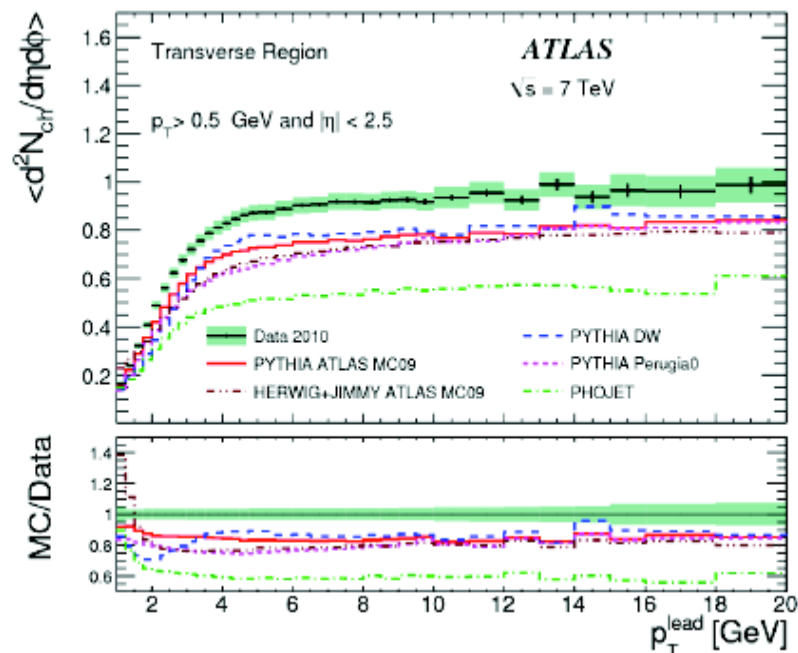
UE results with calorimeter

- Count calorimeter clusters instead of tracks, sensitive also to neutral particles

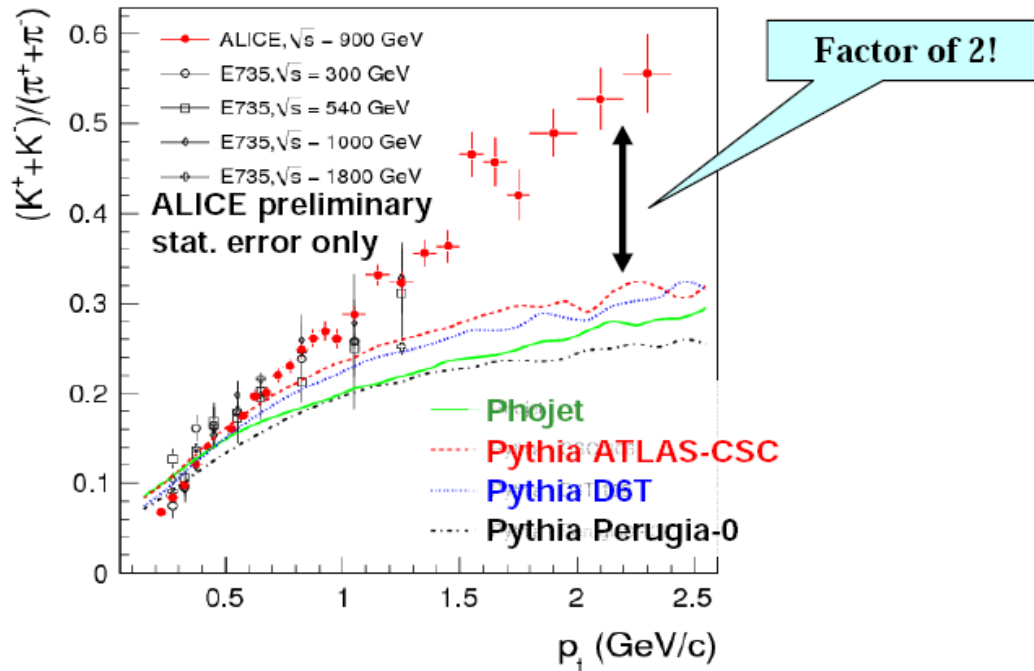
Calorimetric clusters count



Charged particles count

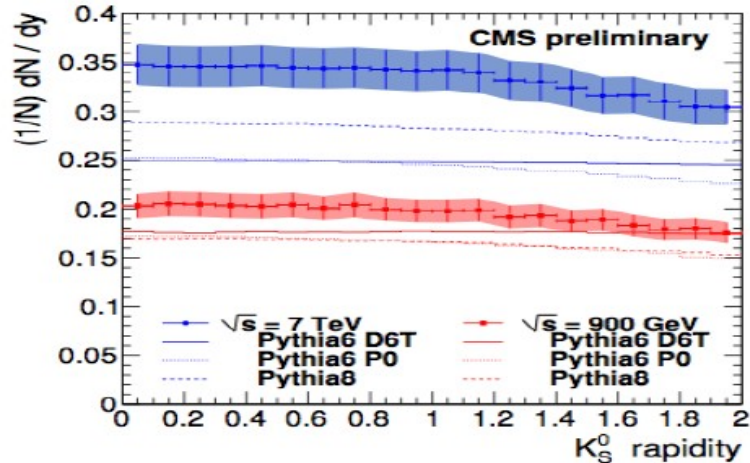


Strange particle production

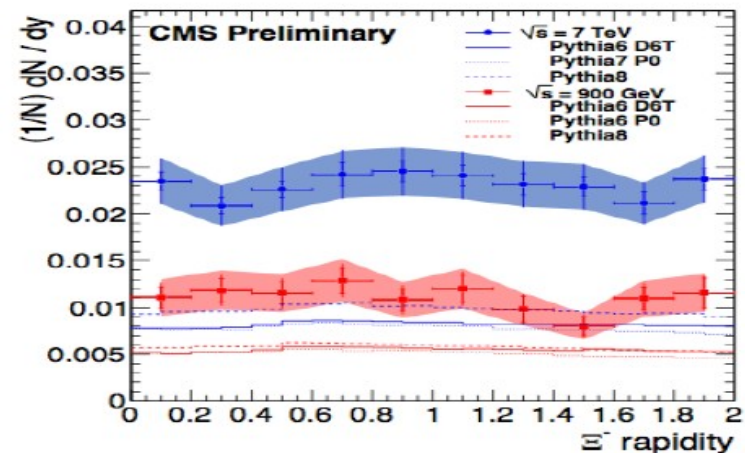
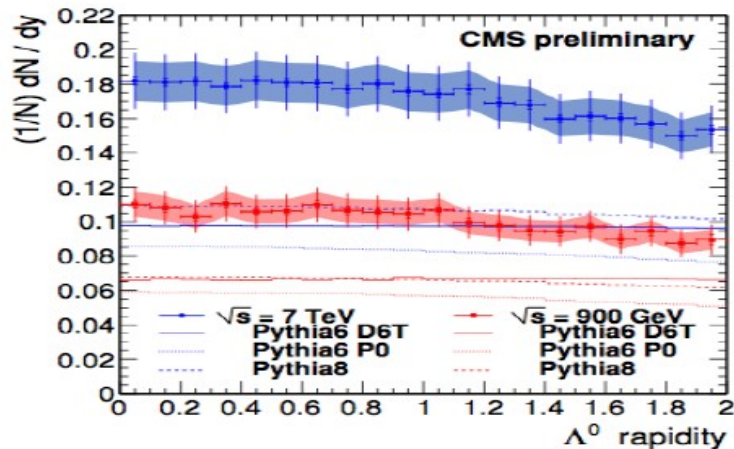


- A lot more strange mesons at large p_T than predicted by models
- K/π ratio fairly independent of the centre-of-mass energy

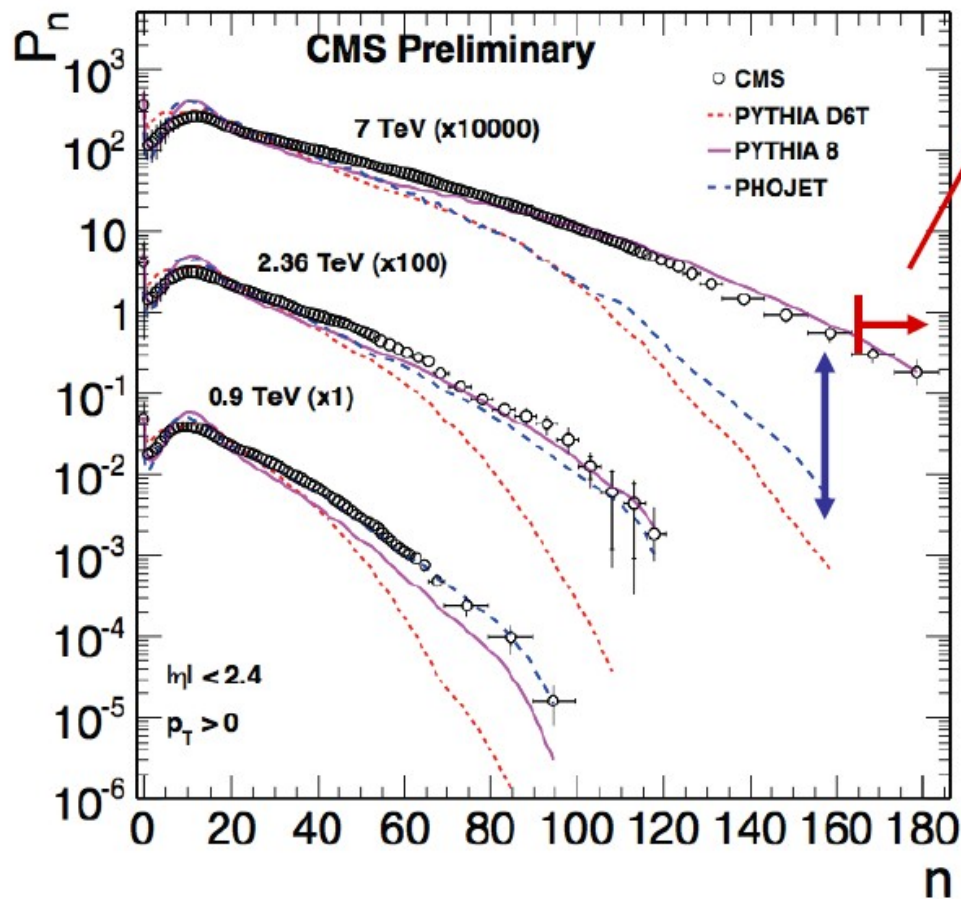
Strange particle production



- All generators underestimate the amount of **Strange Particles** produced at both 0.9 and 7 TeV

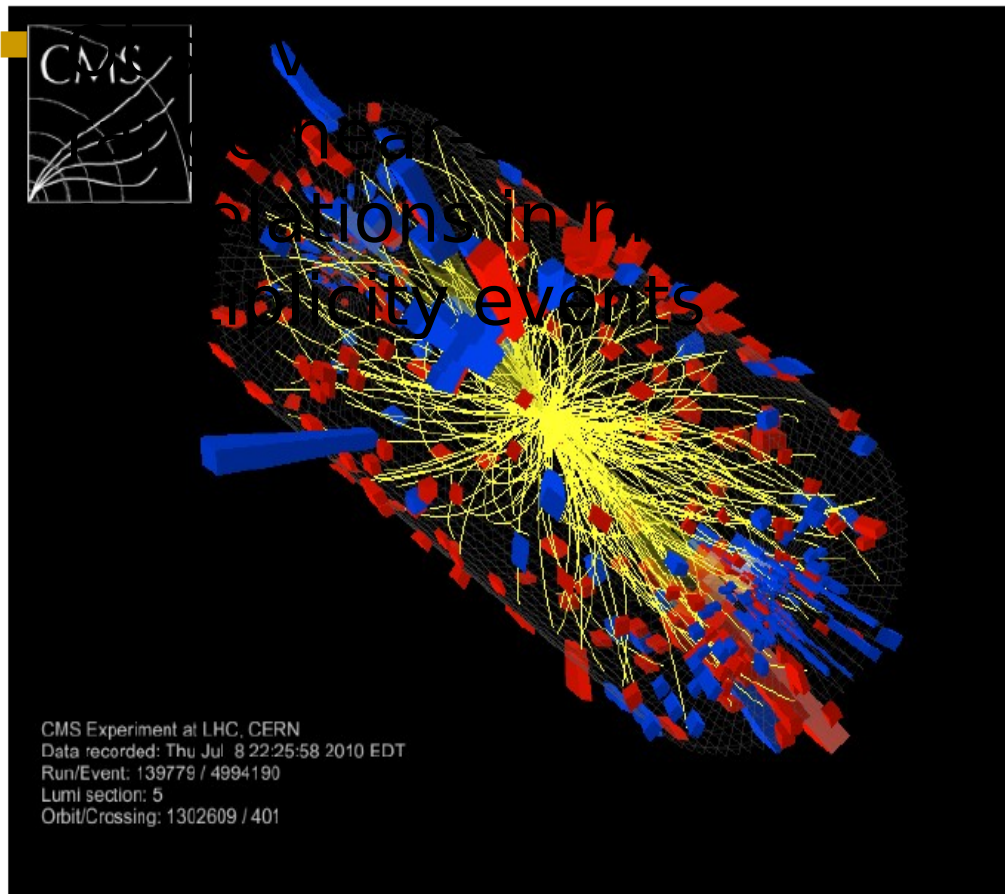


High multiplicity events



- Tails of the distributions where several MC generators underestimate the data (except Pythia)
- Trying to find unexpected (non in MC) effects in this regime)
- Highest multiplicities in pp begins to approach those in ion collisions; can learn about similarities or differences

CMS observation



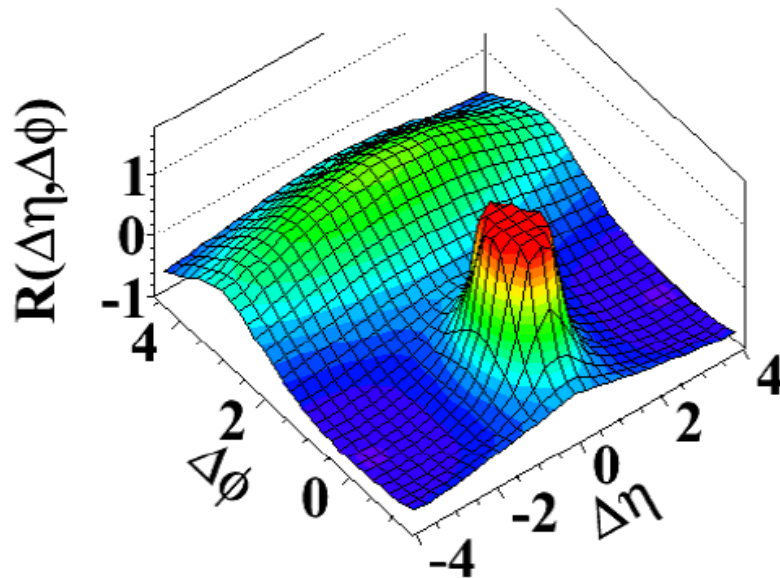
- Observed long-range near-side correlations in high multiplicity events

CMS Collab.,
arXiv:1009:4122,
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High multiplicity events

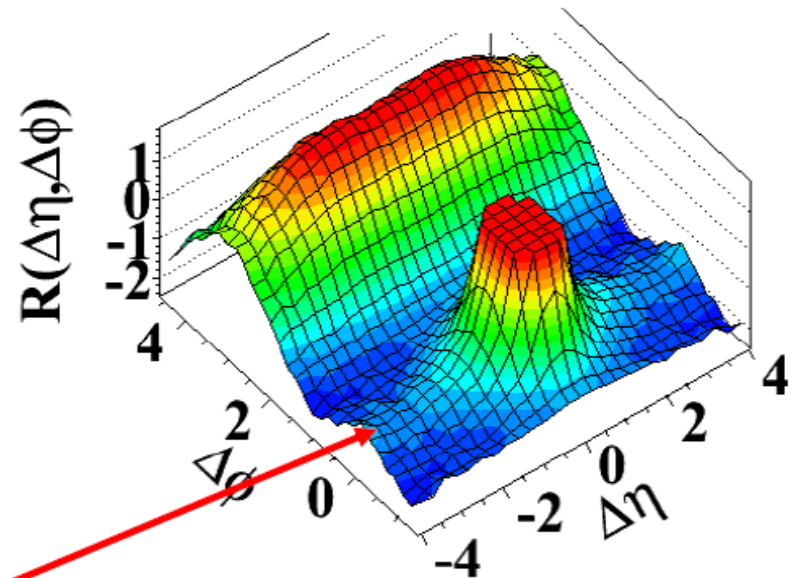
MinBias

(b) MinBias, $1.0\text{GeV}/c < p_T < 3.0\text{GeV}/c$



high multiplicity ($N > 110$)

(d) $N > 110$, $1.0\text{GeV}/c < p_T < 3.0\text{GeV}/c$

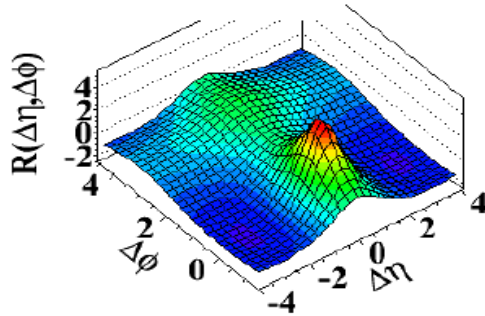


Pronounced new structure at large $\delta\eta$, around $\delta\phi \sim 0$!

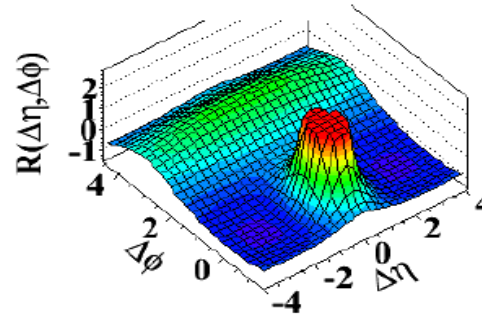
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Correlations for PYTHIA

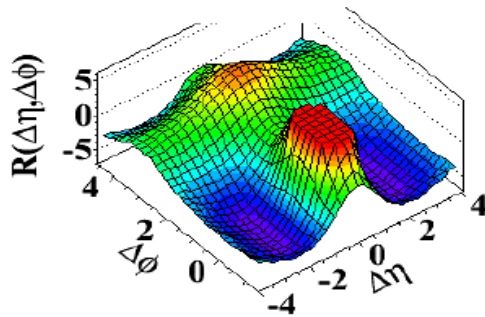
(a) MinBias, $p_T > 0.1 \text{ GeV}/c$



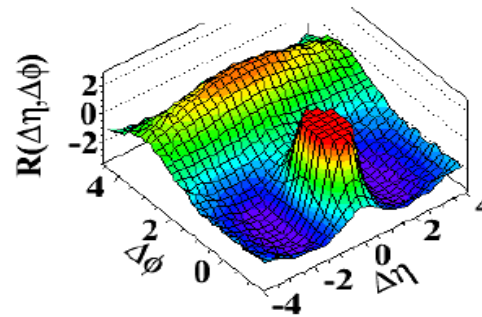
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(c) $N > 110$, $p_T > 0.1 \text{ GeV}/c$

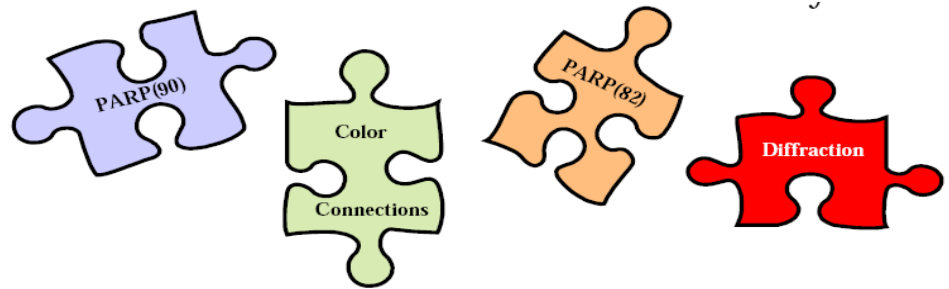


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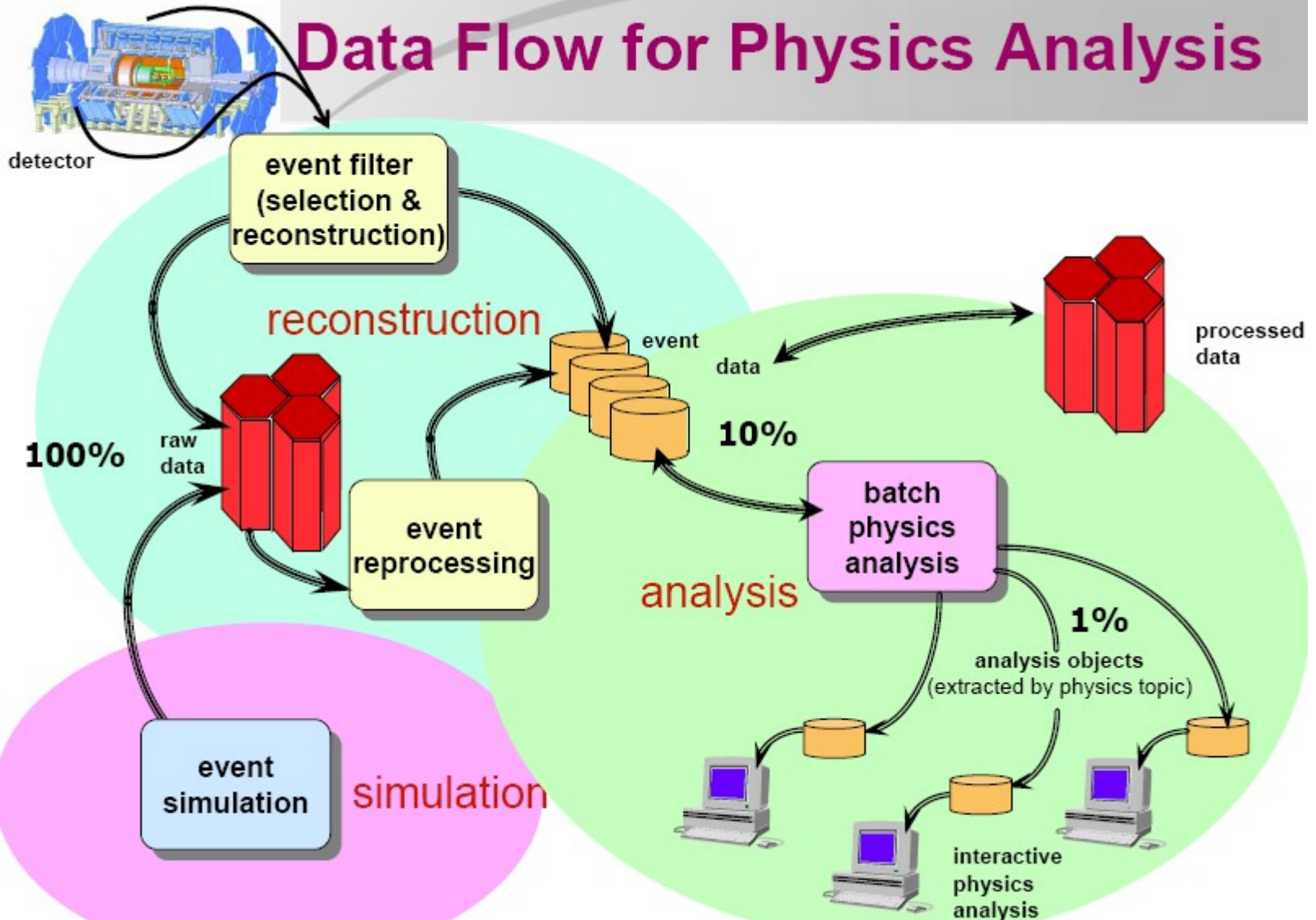
No $\delta\phi \sim 0$ structure at large $\delta\eta$
→ Same for Herwig++, madgraph, PYTHIA6

MC tunes

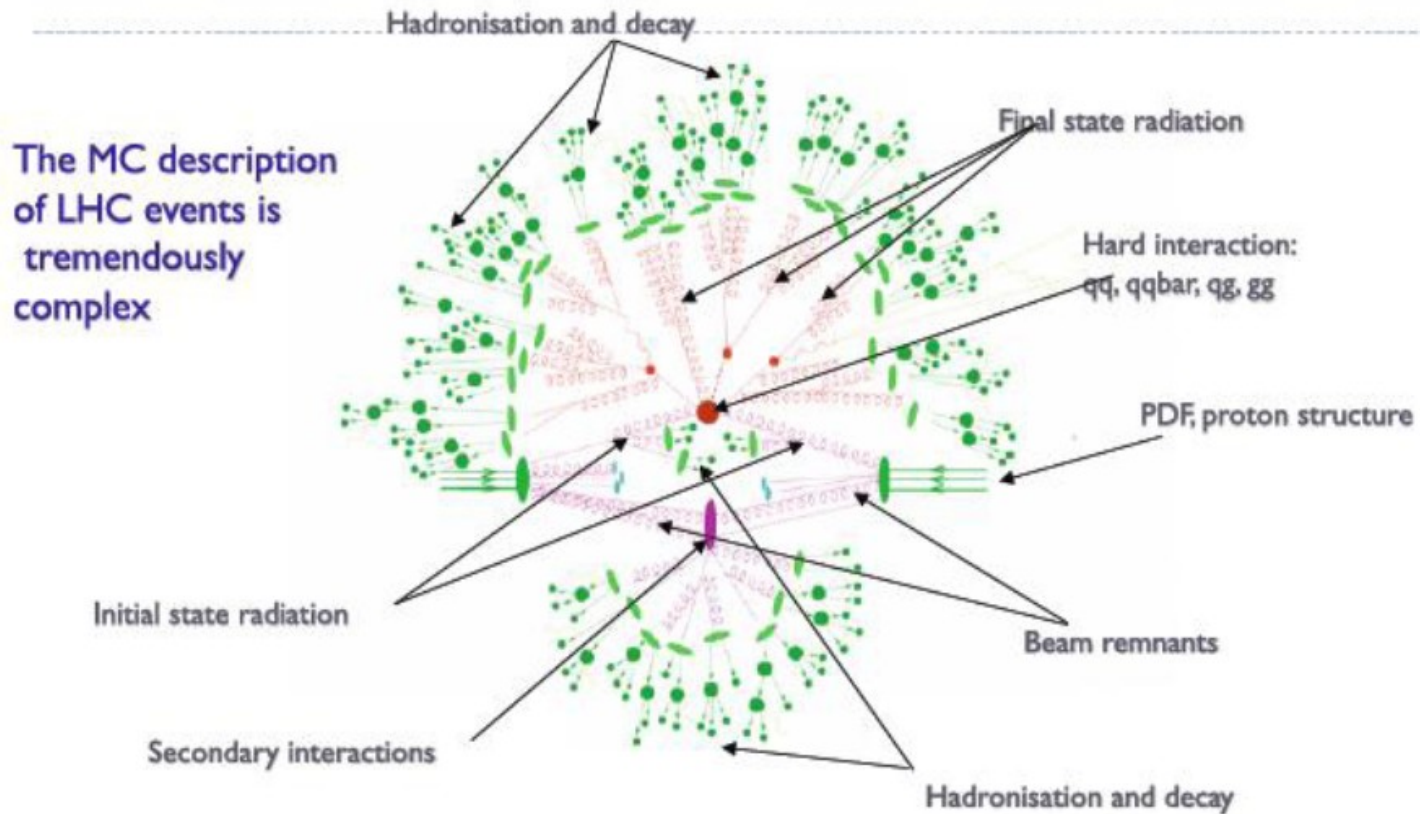


- There are more soft particles than expected
- We need better understanding and modeling of diffraction
 - Diffraction enhanced minbias sample (not yet detector corrected) favours 30% (PYTHIA) relative diffractive cross-sections and hard (PHOJET) particle spectra
- Seems to be more “min-bias” high multiplicity soft events than expected
- The models do not produce enough strange particles

Data Flow for Physics Analysis



MC tunes: hadronic event



This is a schematization to be able to cut down the problem in pieces and model them in a different way. The “pieces” are correlated !

Tuning phenomenological models

- Number of relatively free parameters which must be tweaked if generator is to describe experimental data;
- Profilation of parameters, between $O(10-30)$ of importance for collider physics simulations. Few examples: kinematic distribution of transverse momentum (p_T) in hadron fragmentation, barion/meson ratios, strangeness and $\{\eta, \eta'\}$ suppression, distribution of orbital angular momentum, etc. etc.
- Nowadays tunings became an „industry”:
 - **Rivet** – system for comparing generastor tuning with experimental data
 - **Professor** – system for parametrising generators behaviour in bins of parameter vectors

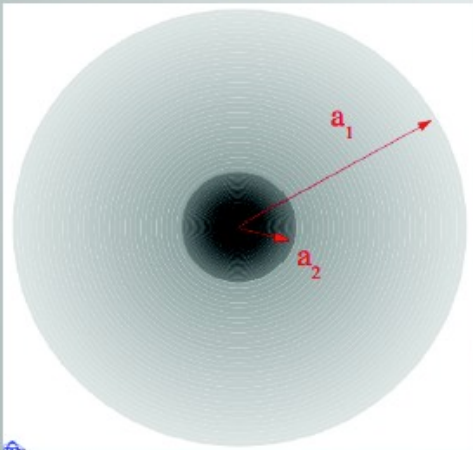
Example of MC tuning

Regularisation of divergence in low p_T QCD $2 \rightarrow 2$ scattering via
 $\alpha_s^2(p_T^2)/p_T^4 \rightarrow \alpha_s^2(p_T^2 + p_{T0}^2)/(p_T^2 + p_{T0}^2)^2$

Screening : Wavelength of exchanged particle becomes too large to resolve colour

$$p_{T0} = \text{PARP}(82) (E_{\text{COM}} / 1.8 \text{ TeV})^{\text{PARP}(90)}$$

(smaller $p_{T0} \rightarrow$ more low p_T activity)



Matter distribution of protons described by double Gaussian

$\text{PARP}(83)$ = fraction in core Gaussian

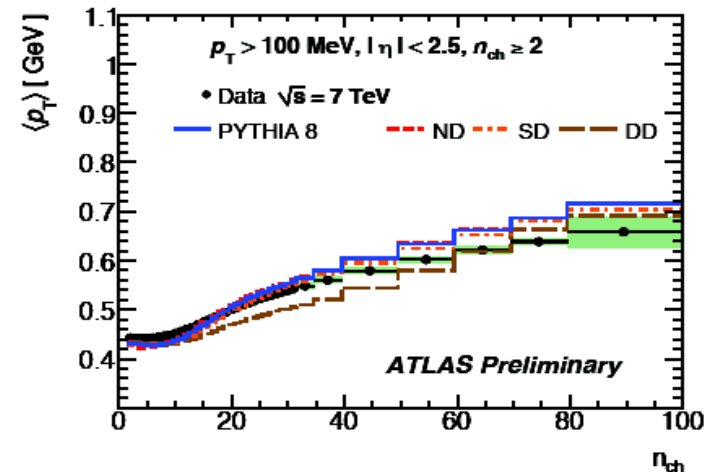
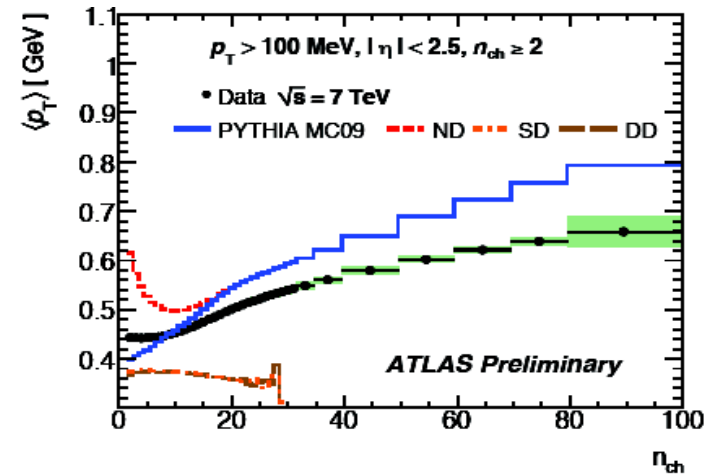
$$\text{PARP}(84) = a_2 / a_1$$

(denser matter distribution \rightarrow more multiple interactions \rightarrow more activity)

$\text{PARP}(X)$ = tunable parameters

Diffraction: how important for MC tunings

- The low p_T low N_{ch} region is problematic
 - Diffractive component important
- Case PYTHIA 6:
 - Diffractive component soft and low multiplicity
- Case PYTHIA 8:
 - At low N_{ch} , $\langle p_T \rangle$ similar for SD, DD & ND



Parameters tunnings

- ATLAS new tune:

Parameter	related model	MC09c value	scanning range	AMBT1 value
PARP(62)	ISR cut-off	1.0	fixed	1.025
PARP(93)	primordial kt	5.0	fixed	10.0
PARP(77)	CR suppression	0.0	0.25 – – – 1.15	1.016
PARP(78)	CR strength	0.224	0.2 – – – 0.6	0.538
PARP(83)	MPI (matter fraction in core)	0.8	fixed	0.356
PARP(84)	MPI (core of matter overlap)	0.7	0.0 – – – 1.0	0.651
PARP(82)	MPI (p_T^{min})	2.31	2.1 – – – 2.5	2.292
PARP(90)	MPI (energy extrapolation)	0.2487	0.18 – – – 0.28	0.250

Next topics

- 24.10 - hard QCD
- 7.11 - W, Z bosons: inclus. cross-sections, W/Z+jets
- 14.11 - W, Z bosons: precise measurements
- 21.11 - Top: xsection, mass
- 28.11 - Dibosons and anomalous couplings
- 5.12, 12.12 - **Higgs**
- 19.12 - **SUSY**
- 9.1 - other searches for New Physics
- 16.1 - B-physics programme
- 23.1 - heavy ion programme