

# ***MEASUREMENTS OF ISOLATED PROMPT PHOTONS IN $pp$ COLLISIONS WITH THE ATLAS DETECTOR***

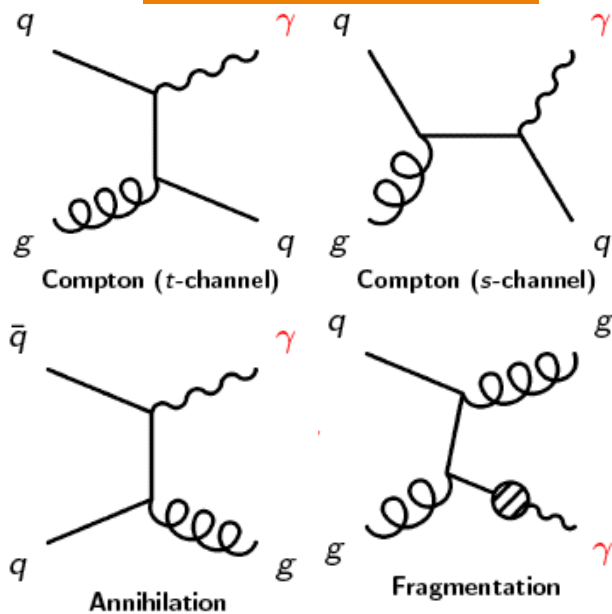
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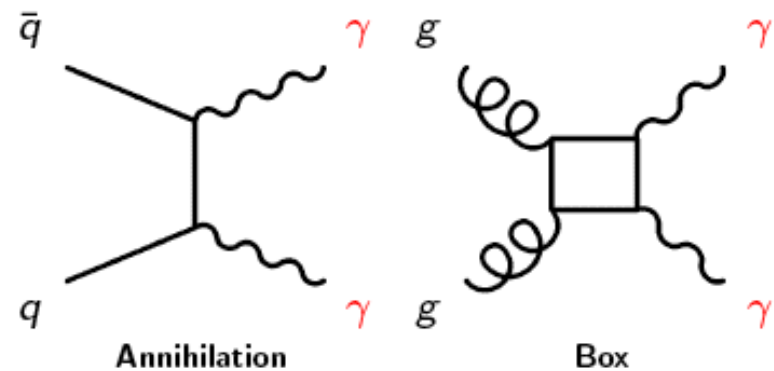
# MOTIVATIONS

## SINGLE PHOTON



- Compton dominant process.
- Fragmentation, giving photons closer to hadrons, important at low  $E_T$

## DI-PHOTONS



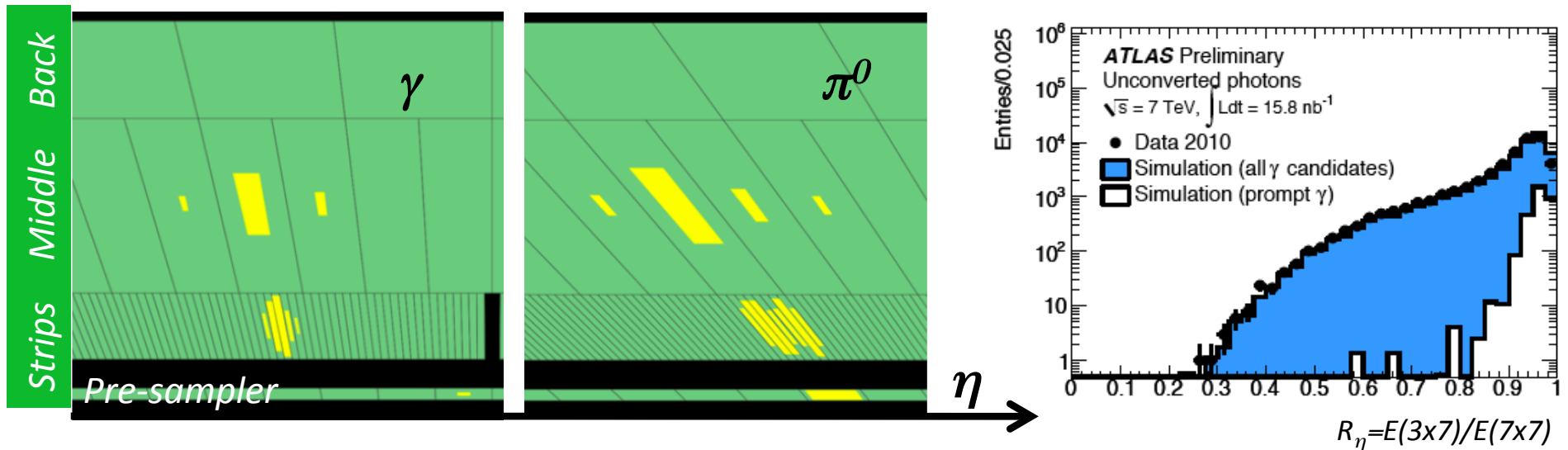
- Annihilation and box comparable due to high gluons flux at LHC

## PHOTONS MEASUREMENTS AT HADRON COLLIDERS:

- test of perturbative QCD
- sensitive to the gluon content of the proton
- allow to estimate QCD background for *Higgs*, *Graviton*, *excited fermions* and *pairs of supersymmetric particles* searches

***PHOTON RECONSTRUCTION AND IDENTIFICATION***  
***(ATL-PHYS-PUB-2011-007)***

# PHOTON IDENTIFICATION



▪ **Loose selection:**

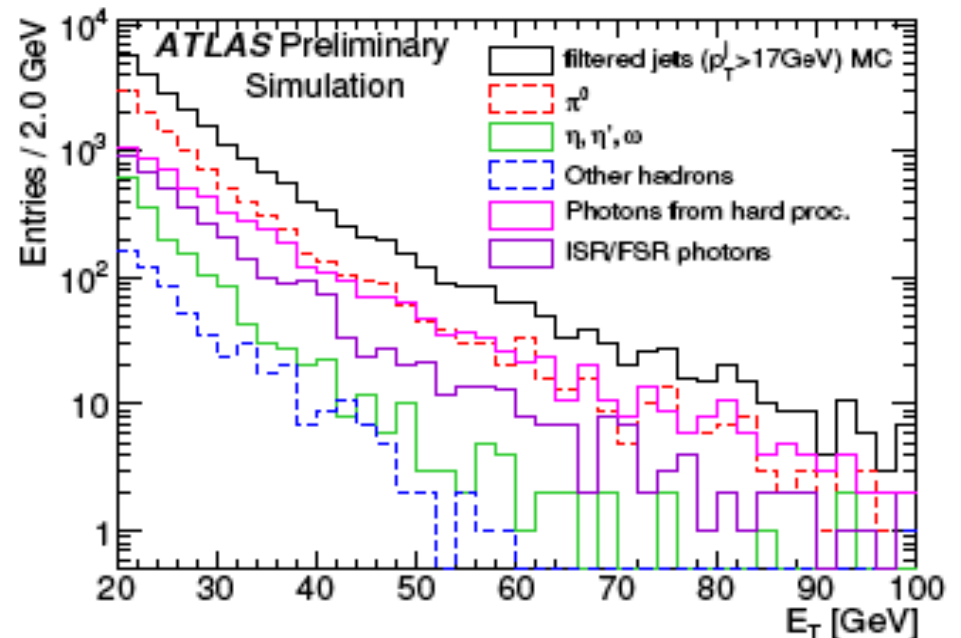
- small energy in the hadronic calorimeter;
- narrow showers in the middle sampling.

• **Tight selection:**

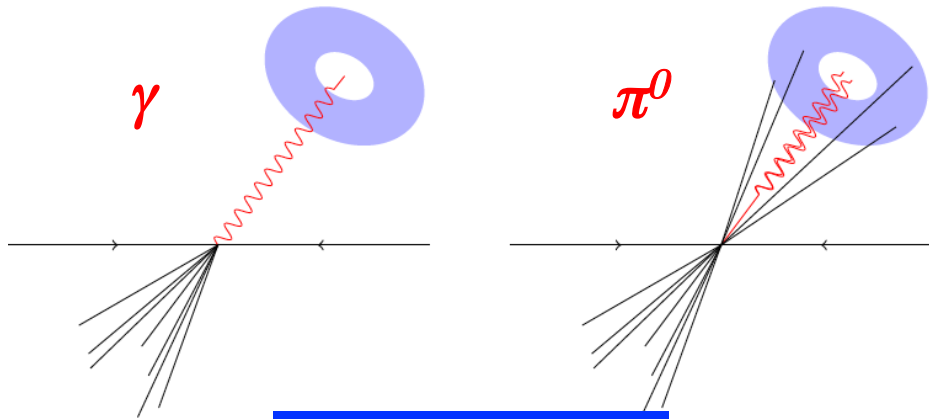
- tighter cuts in the middle sampling;
- cuts on strip variable (rejecting  $\pi^0$ ).

• About **30% of photons converted** in ATLAS:

- the tracker informations are also used;
- dedicated cuts optimization.



# CALORIMETER ENERGY ISOLATION: $E_T^{ISO}$



## ISOLATION ENERGY

$$E_T^{ISO} = \sum_{cells} E_T \text{ in } \Delta R = \sqrt{(\Delta\eta)^2 + (\Delta\phi)^2} < 0.4$$

subtracting:

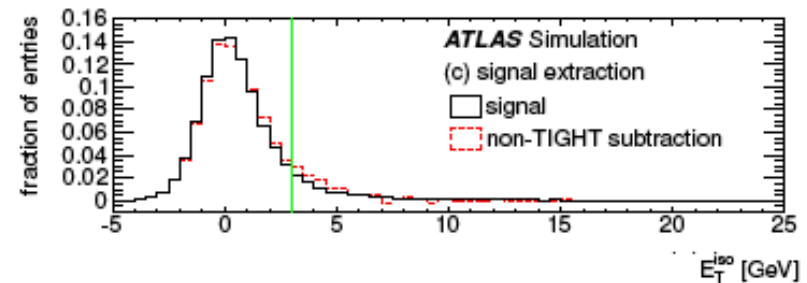
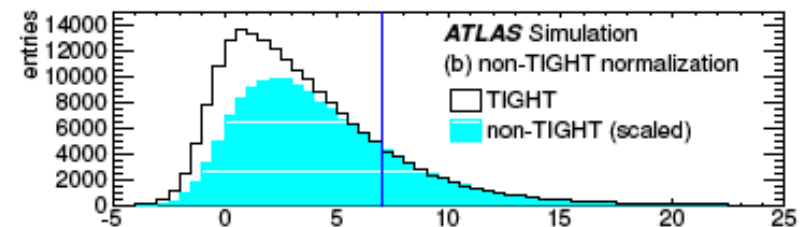
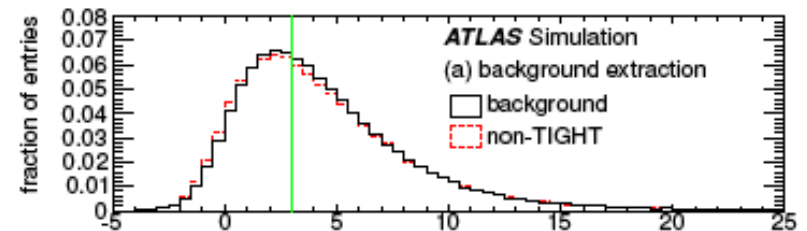
- energy of the cluster;
- signal energy leakage out-of-cluster;
- soft-jet activity from pileup and underlying event ( $\sim 500$  MeV).

Impact of the isolation cut:

- lower QCD backgrounds;
- reduced fragmentation contribution.

**Data driven methods** for isolation shape!

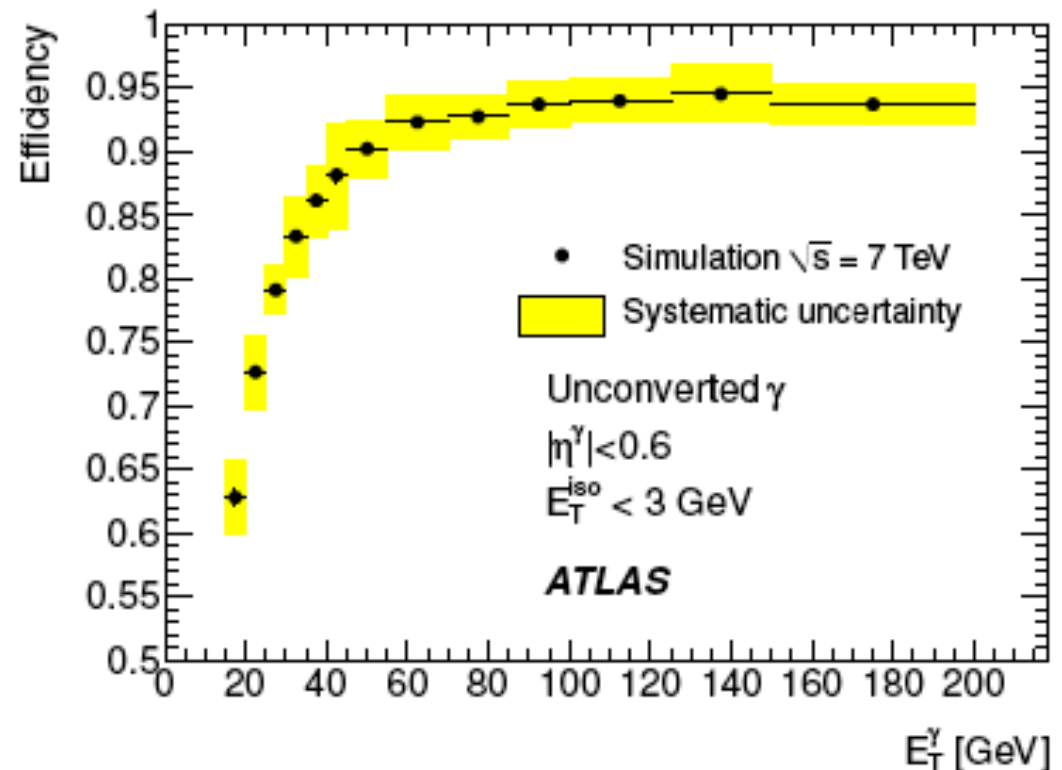
1) Determine background  $E_T^{ISO}$  shape reversing tight cuts.



2) Extract photon isolation shape in  $e^\pm$  from  $W,Z$ , correcting for  $e/\gamma$  differences.

# PHOTON EFFICIENCY

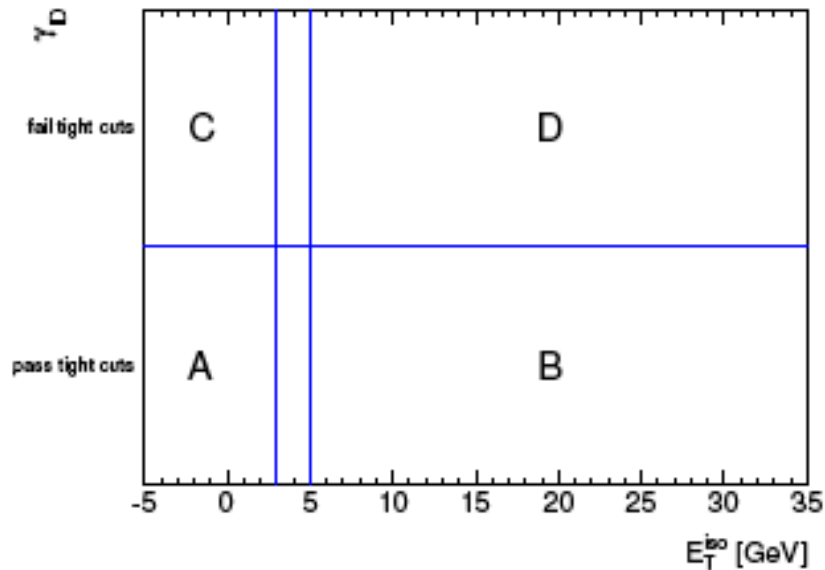
- **Trigger efficiency:** 100% for  $\gamma$  passing offline selection
- **Reconstruction efficiency:**  $\sim 85\%$  in barrel,  $\sim 70\%$  in end-cap
  - main losses due to dead readout recovered in 2011
- **Tight plus isolation efficiency:**
  - from Monte Carlo  $\gamma$  sample;
  - shower shapes shifted according to comparison with data;
  - data driven cross-check with in  $e^\pm$  from  $W, Z$



**INCLUSIVE ISOLATED PROMPT PHOTON  
CROSS-SECTION MEASUREMENT  
@  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV**

- *Phys. Rev. D83, 052005 (2011):  $L = 0.85 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ,  $15 < E_T(\gamma) < 100 \text{ GeV}$*
- *ATLAS-CONF-2011-058:  $L = 35 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ,  $45 < E_T(\gamma) < 400 \text{ GeV}$*

# BACKGROUND DETERMINATION: SIDEBANDS METHOD



- A = signal region
- B, C, D control regions

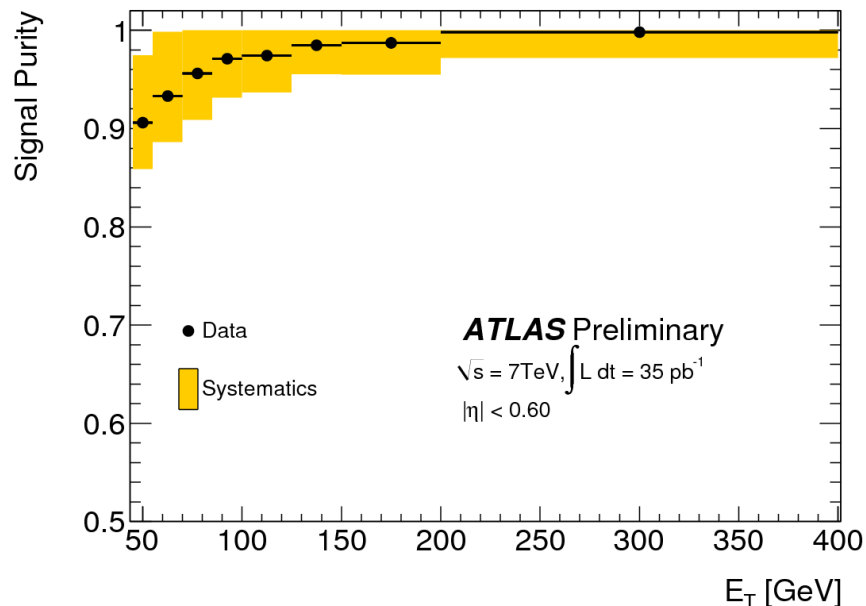
▪ Hypothesis:

- 1) B, C, D background dominated:  $N_{B,C,D}^{bkg} \approx N_{B,C,D}$
- 2) negligible correlation between tight ID and  $E_T^{ISO}$ :

$$\frac{N_A^{bkg}}{N_C^{bkg}} \approx \frac{N_B^{bkg}}{N_D^{bkg}}$$



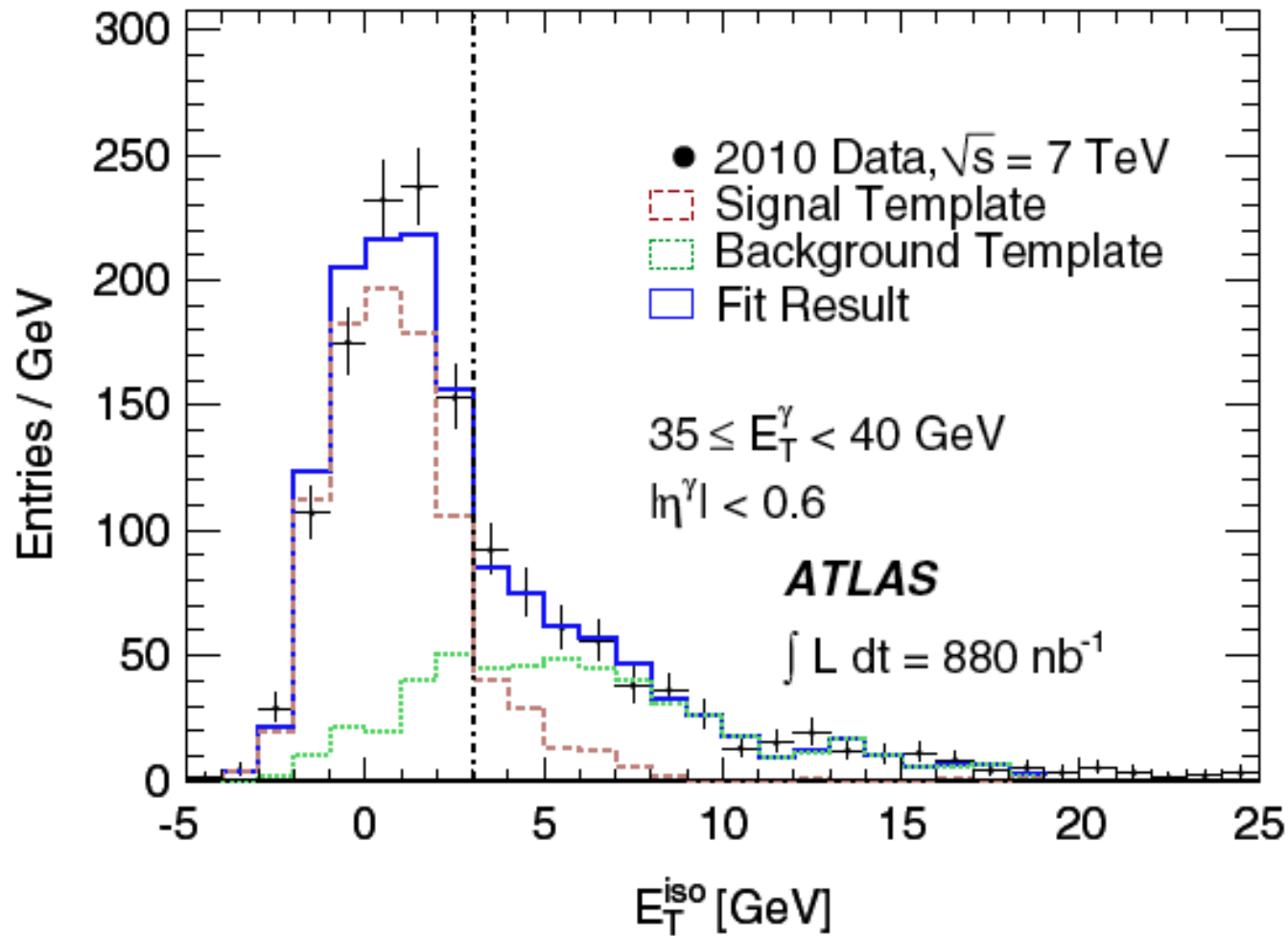
$$N_A^{sig} = N_A - N_A^{bkg} \approx N_A - \frac{N_B N_C}{N_D}$$



- Isolated electron contamination estimated from data and Monte Carlo samples

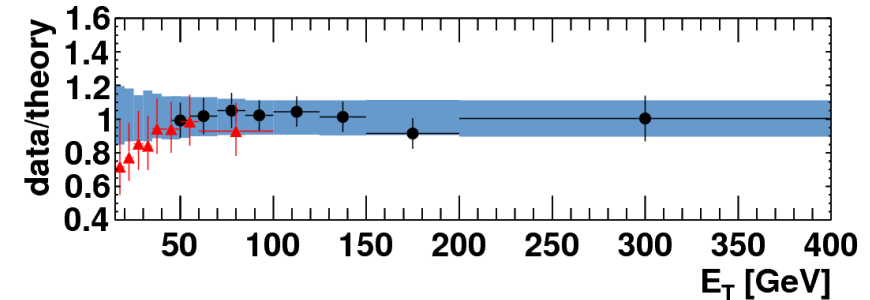
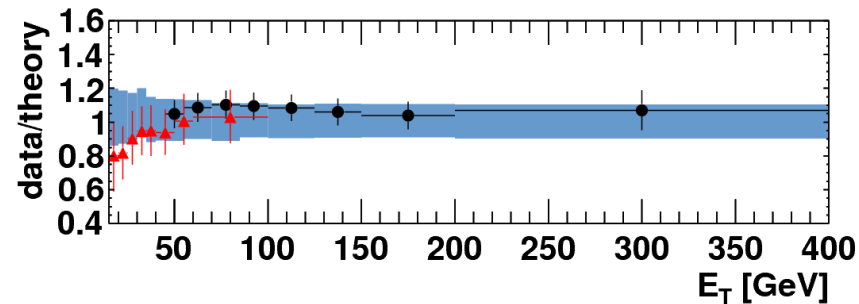
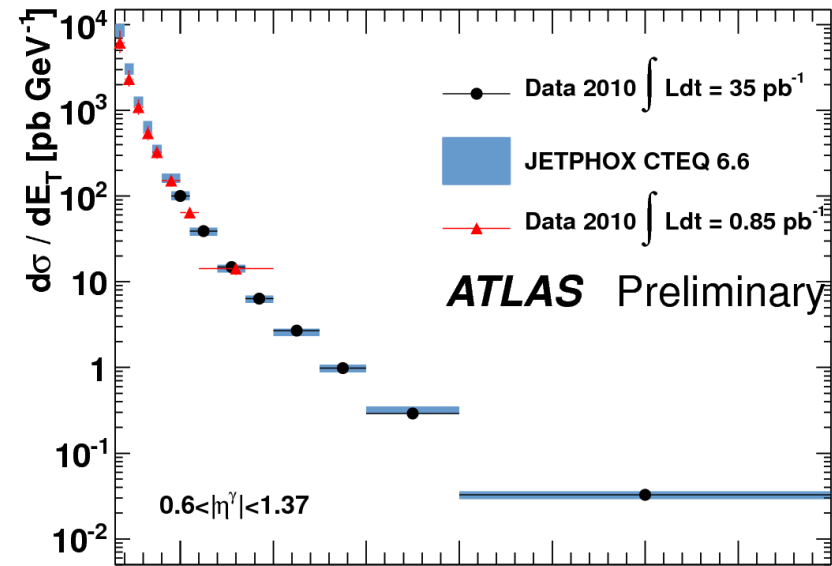
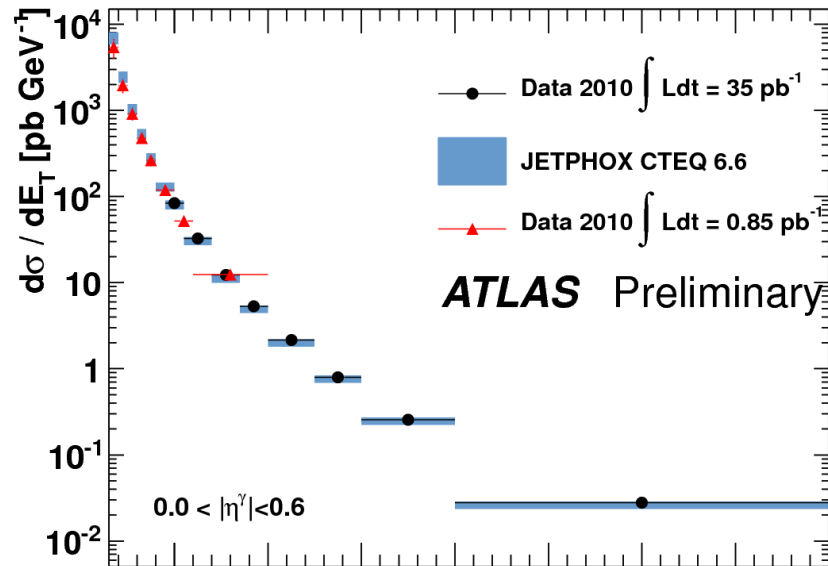


## BACKGROUND DETERMINATION: ISOLATION TEMPLATES METHOD



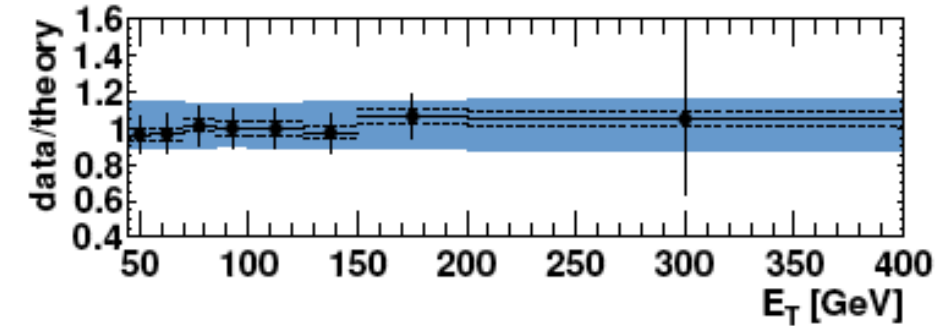
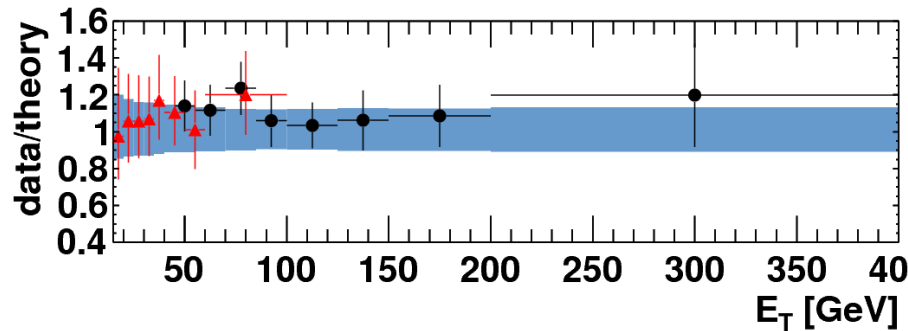
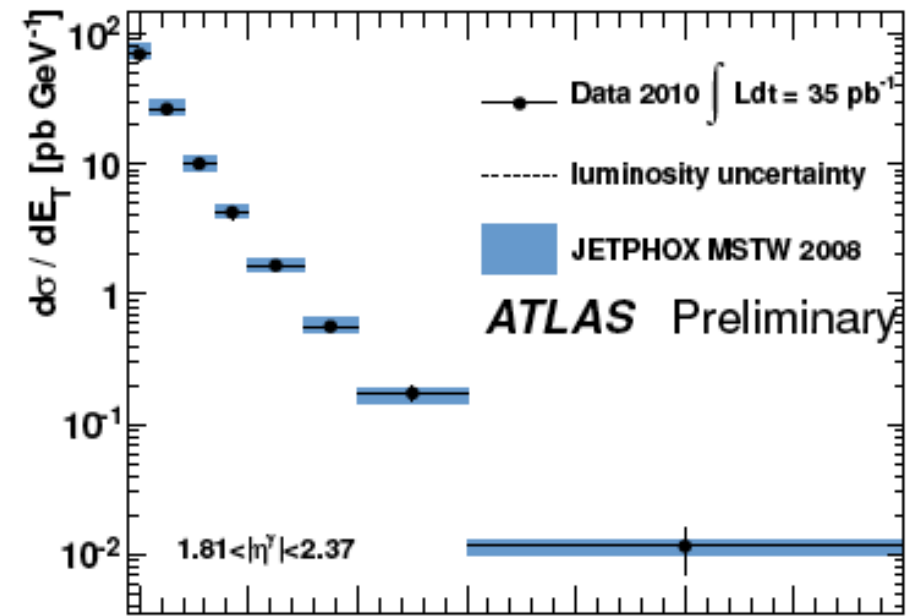
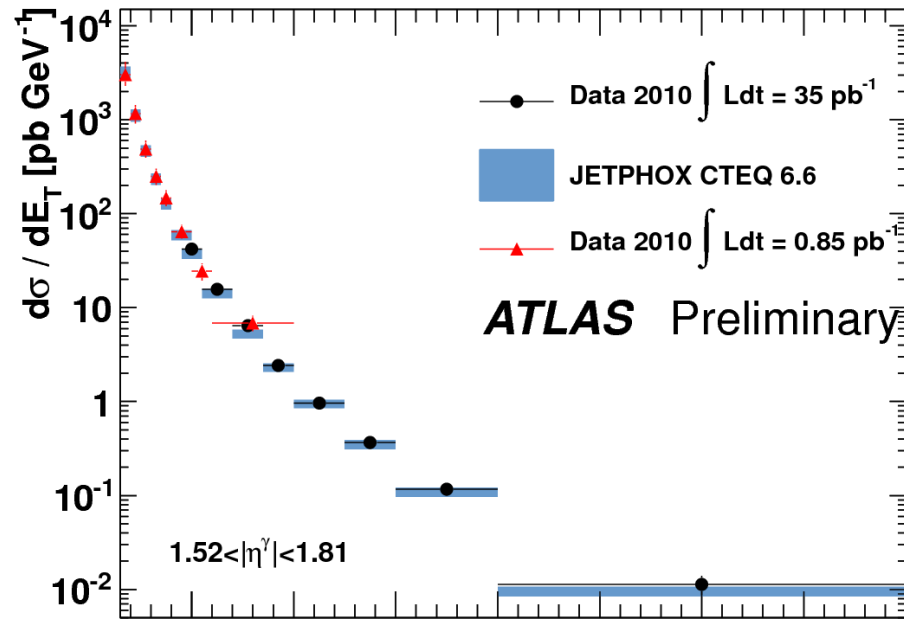
- Signal template from  $e^\pm$  from  $W$  and  $Z$ , correcting for  $e/\gamma$  shift with simulations
- Background template from data reversing tight ID criteria.
- Results in agreement with sidebands method within 2%

# INCLUSIVE ISOLATED PROMPT PHOTON PRODUCTION CROSS SECTION 1



- Unfolding from  $E_T$  response matrix (bin-by-bin, iterative, SVD)
  - largest experimental systematics: EM energy scale (3% in test beam, 1.5% from Z)
  - => 5-10% on cross-section
- Comparison to NLO pQCD prediction by JetPhox CTEQ 6.6
- Good agreement, except in  $E_T < 35$  GeV (region of higher fragmentation contribution)

# INCLUSIVE ISOLATED PROMPT PHOTON PRODUCTION CROSS SECTION 2



Systematics from theory:

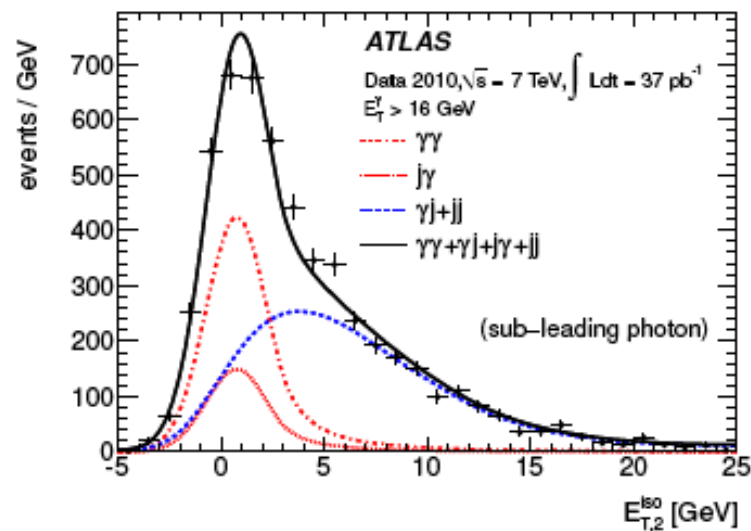
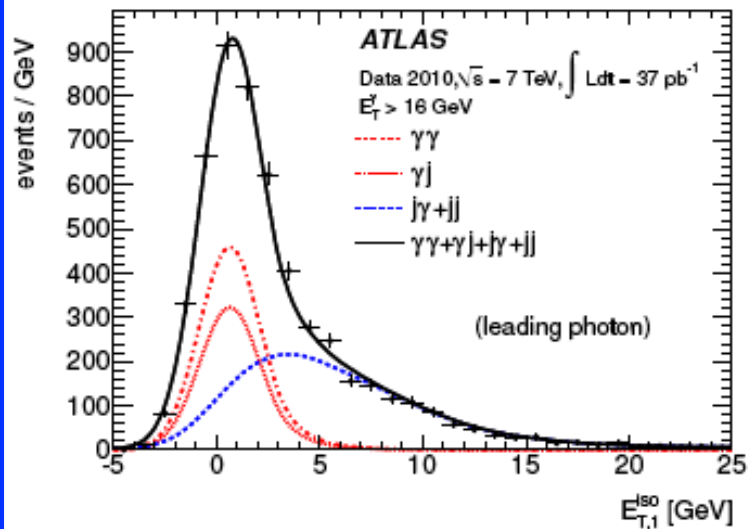
- CTEQ 6.6 PDFs (MSTW2008: 3-5% difference) uncertainty : 4% → 2%
- Fragmentation/factorization/normalization scales: 20% → 8%
- Parton  $E_T^{ISO} < 4$  GeV: 2%

**DI-PHOTONS  
CROSS-SECTION MEASUREMENT  
@  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$**

- **CERN-PH-EP-2011-08:  $L = 37 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ,  $E_T(\gamma) > 16 \text{ GeV}$**

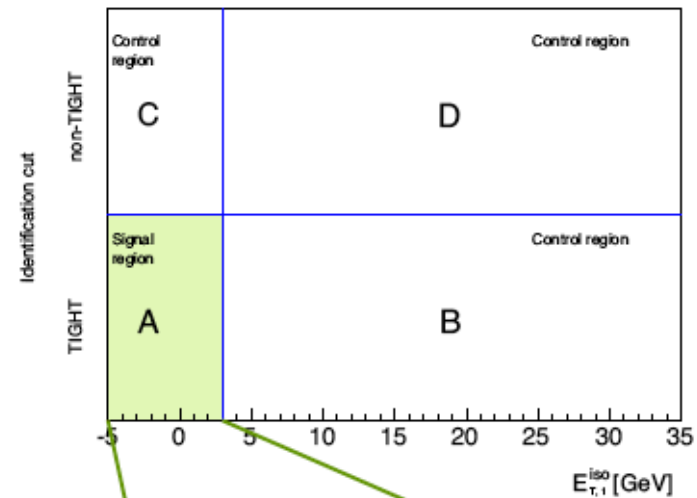
# BACKGROUND DETERMINATION: $E_T^{ISO}$ FIT AND SIDEBANDS METHODS

## FIT WITH ISOLATION TEMPLATE

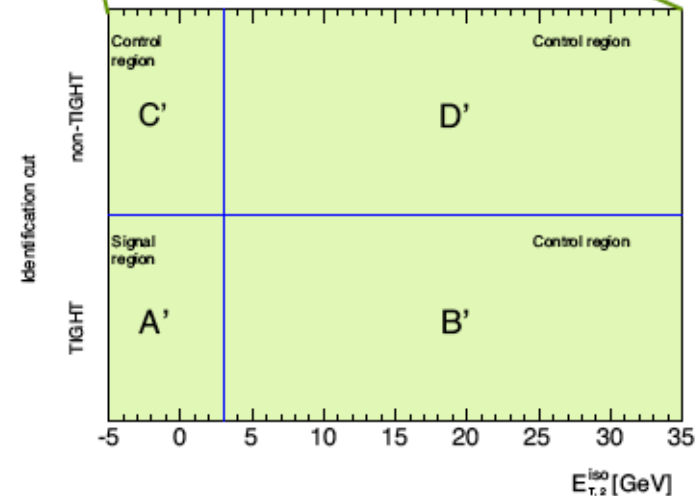


## SIDEBANDS METHOD

L'L' sample, leading candidate



A sample, sub-leading candidate



# BACKGROUND DETERMINATION: EVENT WEIGHTING

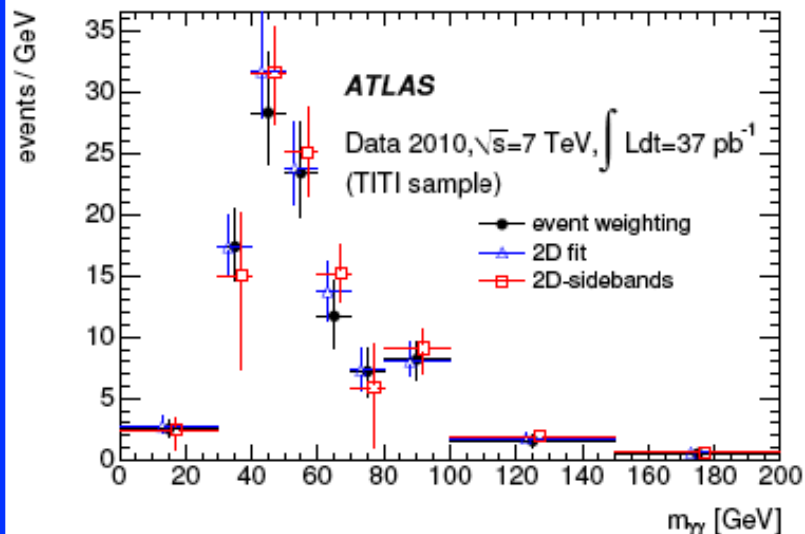
$$\begin{pmatrix} PP \\ PF \\ FP \\ FF \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 & \epsilon_1 f_2 & f_1 \epsilon_2 & f_1 f_2 \\ \epsilon_1(1 - \epsilon_2) & \epsilon_1(1 - f_2) & f_1(1 - \epsilon_2) & f_1(1 - f_2) \\ (1 - \epsilon_1)\epsilon_2 & (1 - \epsilon_1)f_2 & (1 - f_1)\epsilon_2 & (1 - f_1)f_2 \\ (1 - \epsilon_1)(1 - \epsilon_2) & (1 - \epsilon_1)(1 - f_2) & (1 - f_1)(1 - \epsilon_2) & (1 - f_1)(1 - f_2) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} W_{\gamma\gamma} \\ W_{\gamma J} \\ W_{J\gamma} \\ W_{JJ} \end{pmatrix}$$

P = pass  $E_T^{ISO}$  cut  
F = fail  $E_T^{ISO}$  cut

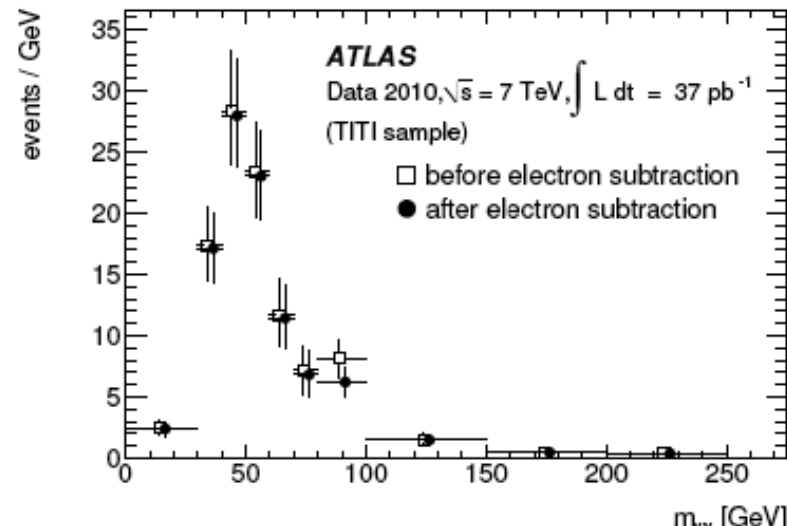
event weights

- $\epsilon$  = probability for a  $\gamma$  to pass  $E_T^{ISO}$  cut (data driven)
- $f$  = probability for a jet to pass  $E_T^{ISO}$  cut (data driven)
- Correlations in the  $E_T^{ISO}$  of the 2  $\gamma$  candidates taken into account

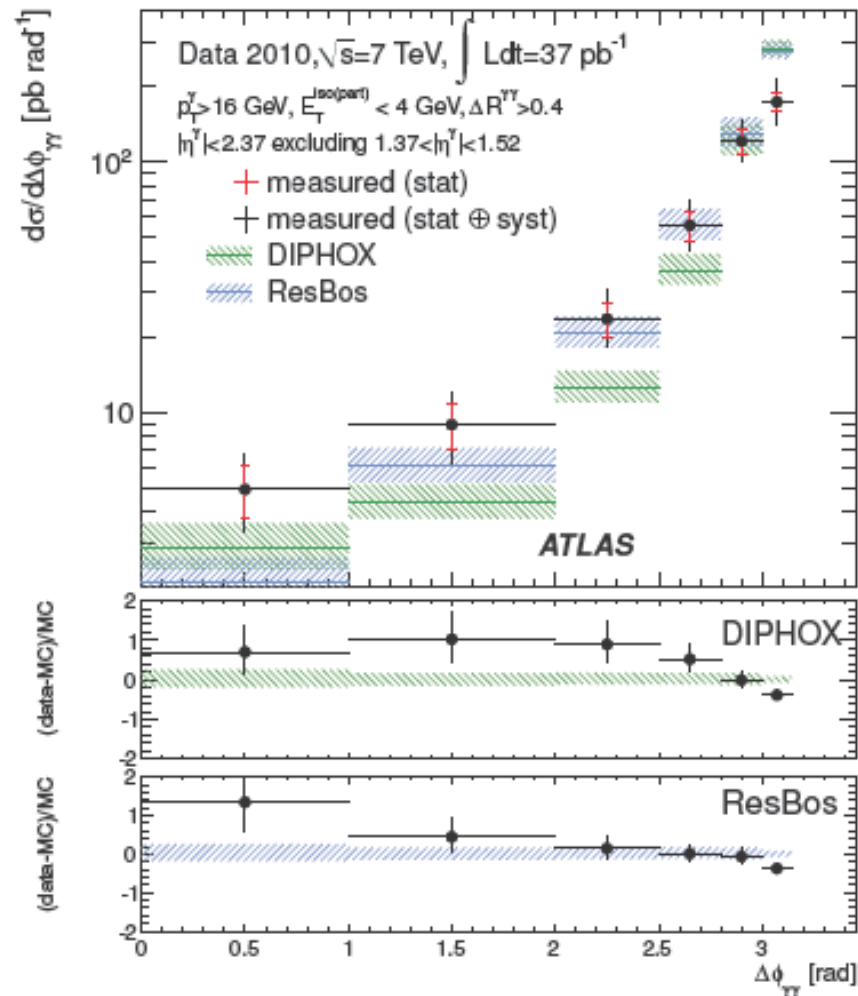
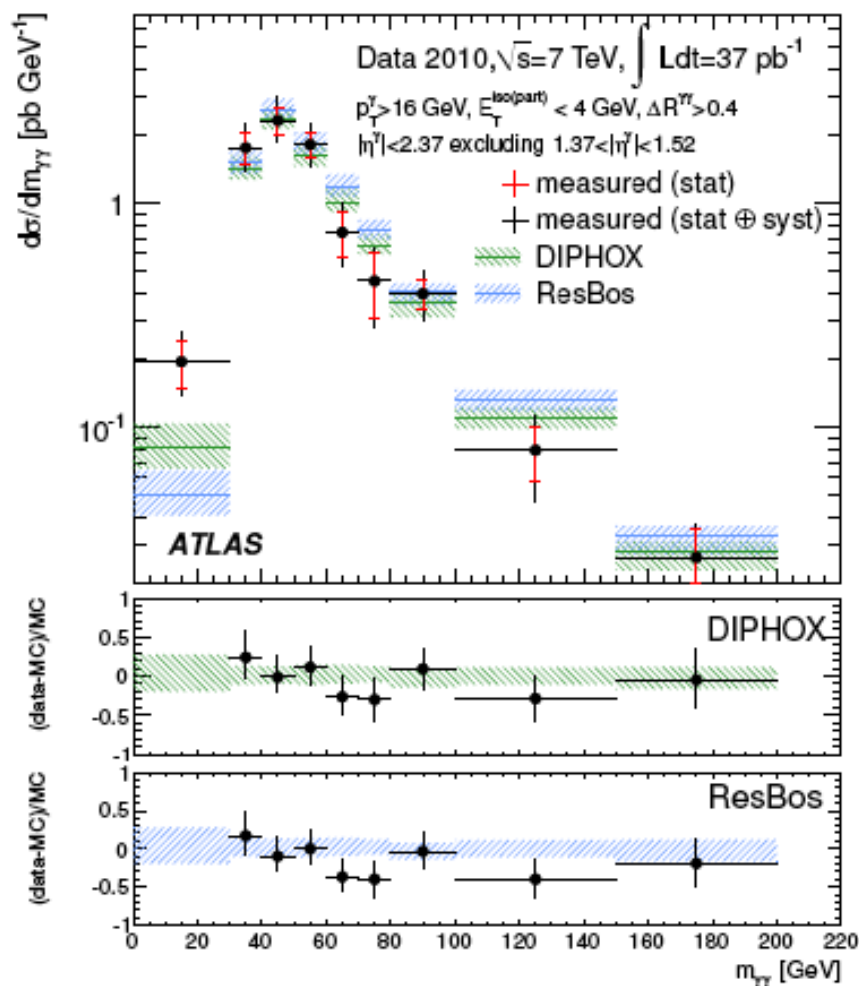
$$N_{\gamma\gamma} = \sum \epsilon_1^{(k)} \epsilon_2^{(k)} W_{\gamma\gamma}^{(k)}$$



Subtract  $e^\pm$  contribution, estimated from  $\gamma e^\pm$  close to Z on data.



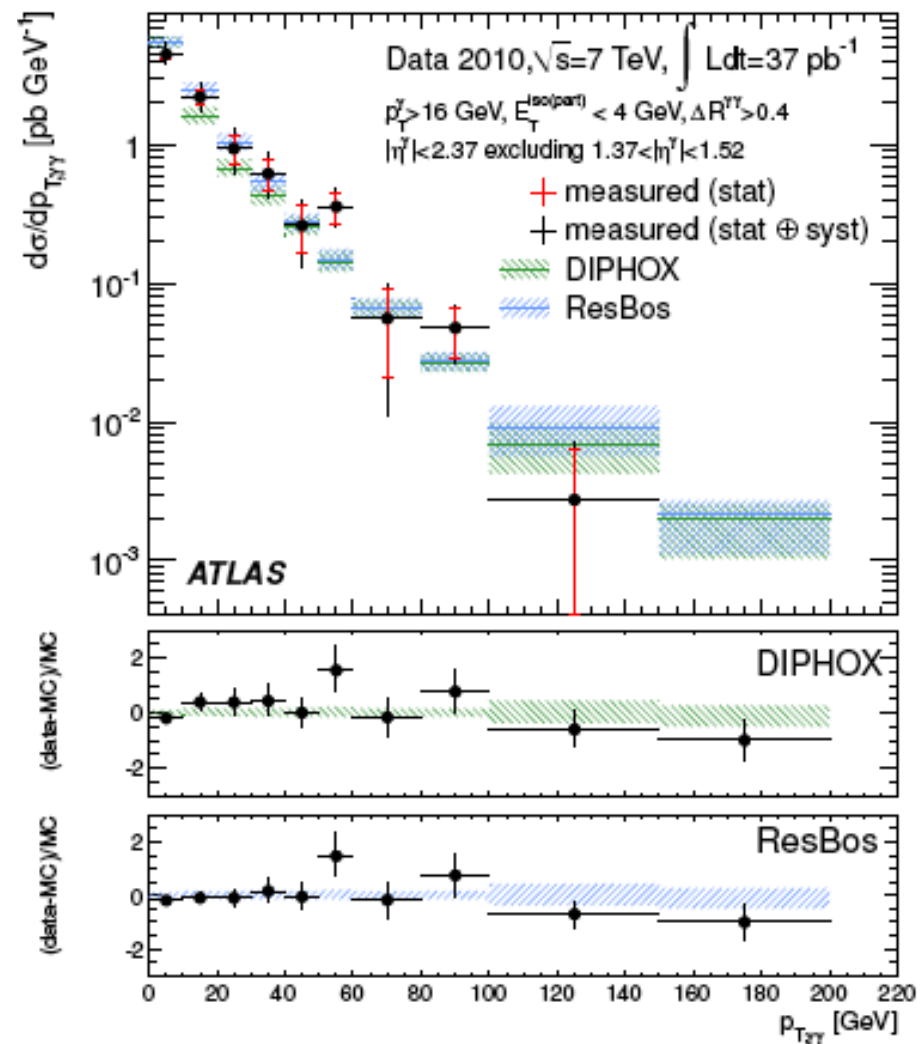
# ISOLATED DI-PHOTON CROSS-SECTION 1



- Comparison to DIPHOX and ResBos predictions using CTEQ 6.6
- Broader distribution observed for  $d\sigma/d\Delta\phi$
- Correlated to discrepancies in  $d\sigma/dm_{\gamma\gamma}$  for  $m_{\gamma\gamma} < 2E_T$  cut

# ISOLATED DIPHOTON CROSS-SECTION 2

- Experimental uncertainties:
  - energy scale: +3%, -1%
  - simulation of isolation: -7%
  - additional material: 10%
  - difference PYTHIA vs SHERPA: 5%
  
- Theoretical uncertainties:
  - scales variations: from  $1/2m_{\gamma\gamma}$  to  $2m_{\gamma\gamma}$
  - partonic isolation: 5%
  - MSTW 2008: 10% difference from CTEQ6.6





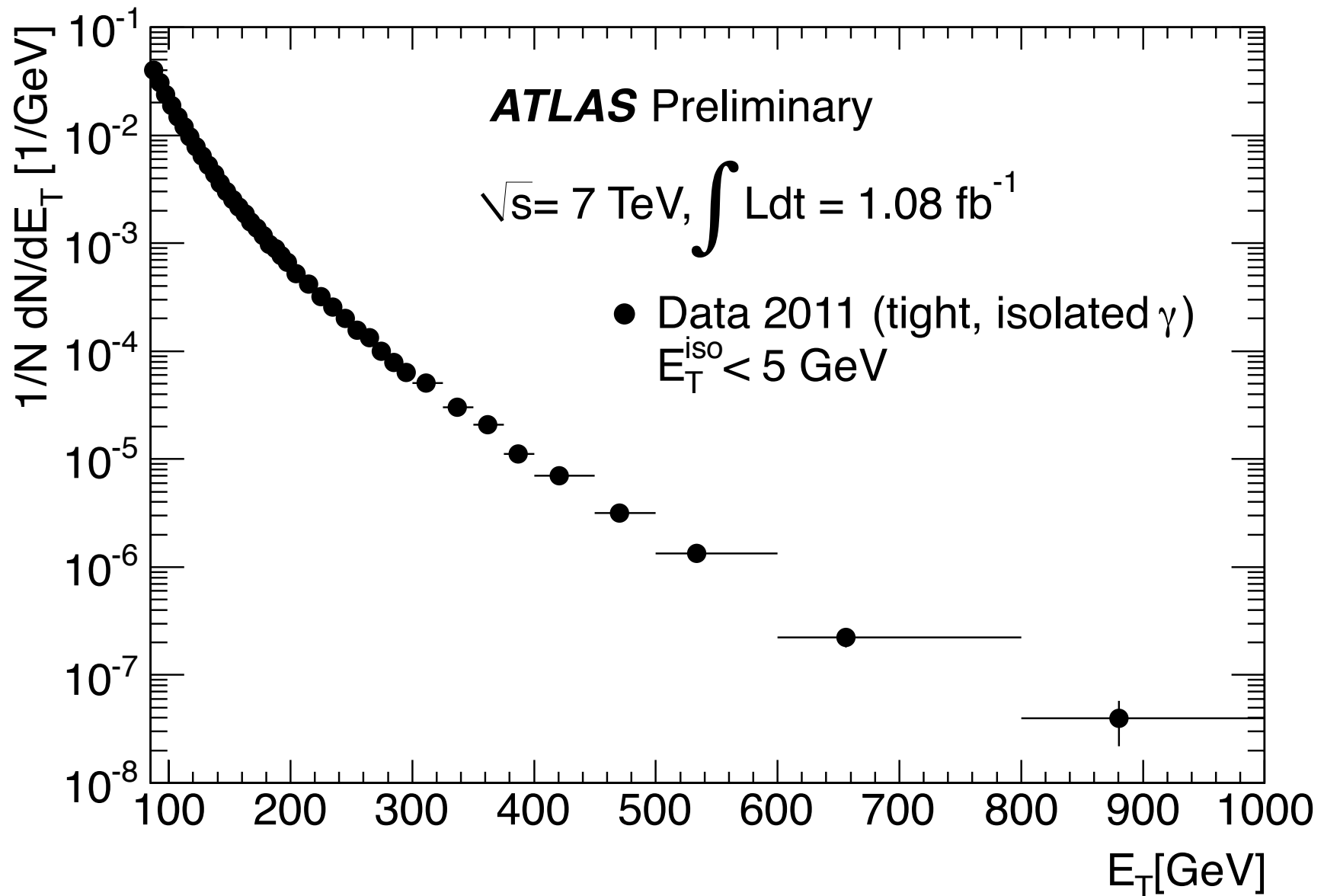
## SUMMARY

- *ATLAS* measured in  $pp$  collisions @  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  GeV cross sections for:
  - the isolated prompt photon production;
  - the isolated di-photon production.

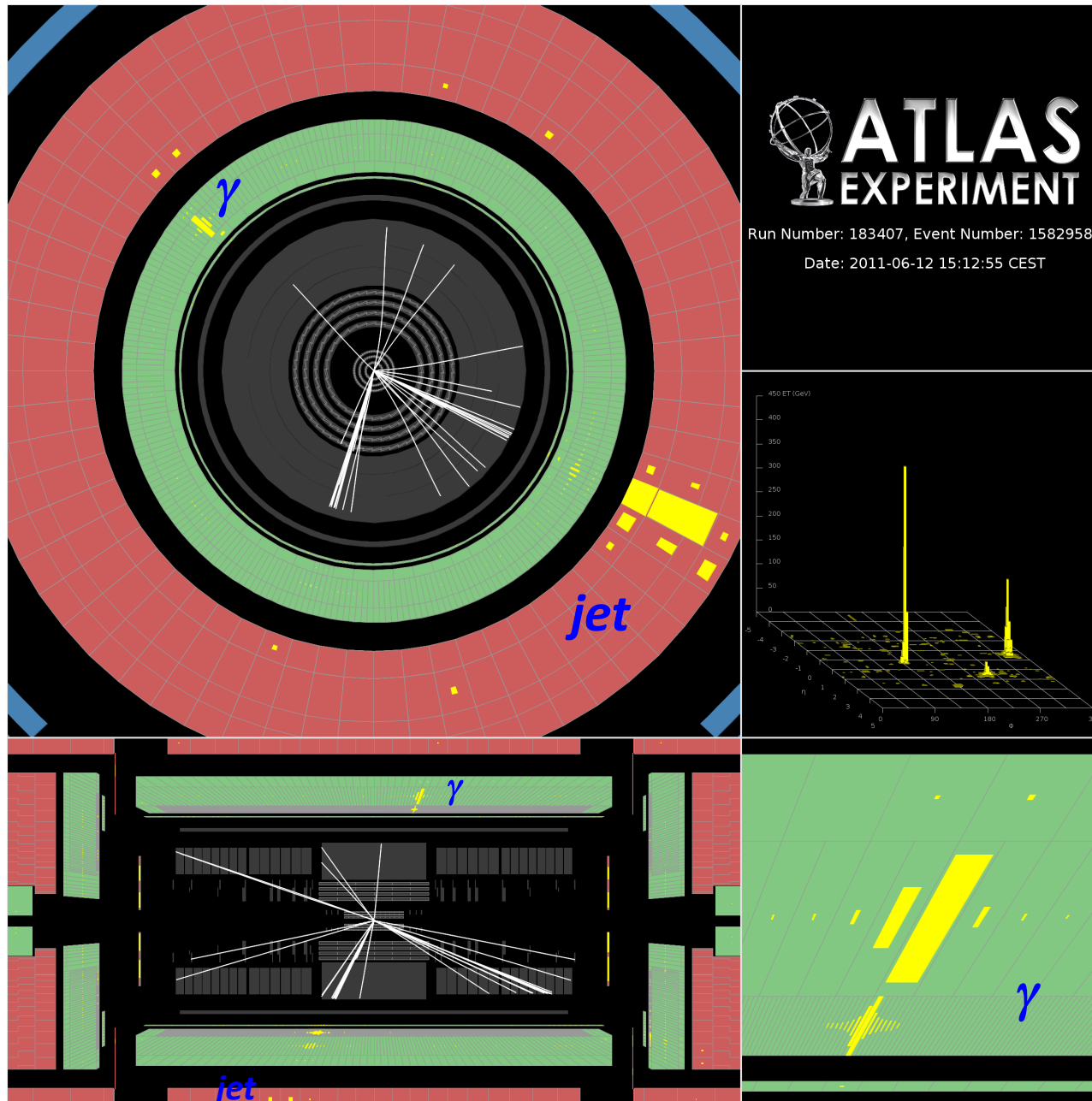
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- The measurements profit of the good photon efficiency (85% reconstruction, 95% identification) and of the high purity (>95% above 100 GeV) achieved.
- The isolated prompt photon cross-section is:
  - well in agreement with the NLO pQCD calculations for  $E_T > 35$  GeV;
  - shows some discrepancy for  $E_T < 35$  GeV.
- The isolated di-photon cross section measured shows some disagreement for the azimuth separation of the two photons.
- Beyond NLO calculations and a better theoretical description of the fragmentation are needed to understand the differences.
- In the meanwhile *ATLAS* is analysing the whole 2011 dataset to provide updated measurements and to extend the energy range explored.

# INCLUSIVE PHOTON $E_T$ SPECTRUM WITH $1.08 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



# HIGHEST $E_T$ (960 GeV) PHOTON CANDIDATE

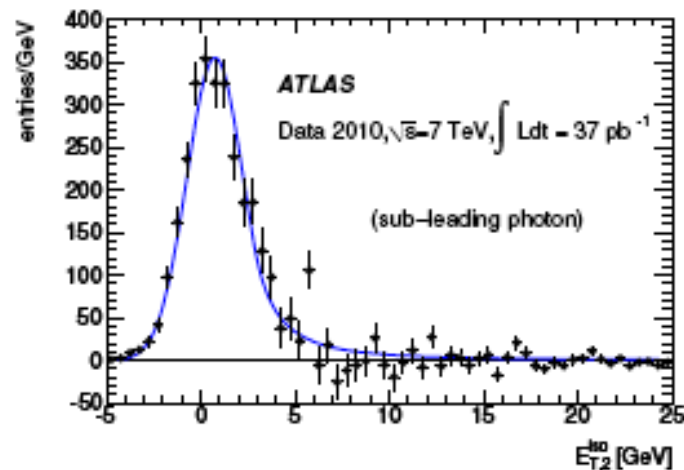
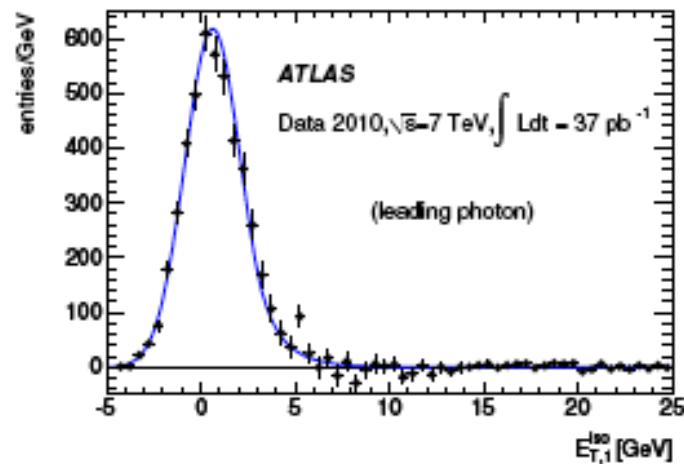


***BACKUP***

# ISOLATION ENERGY

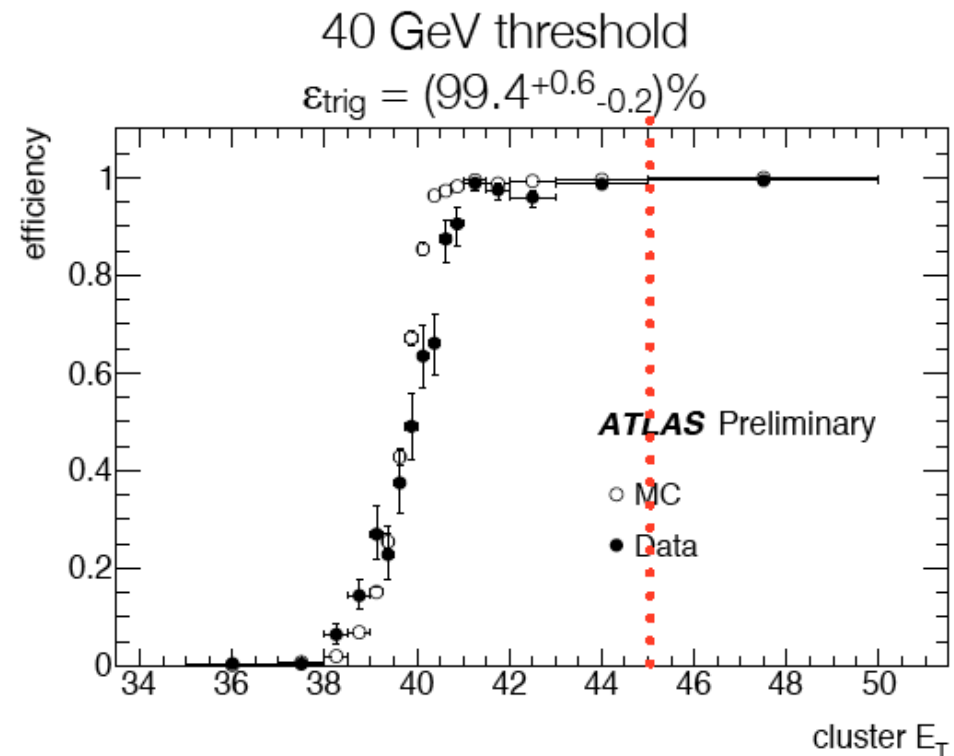
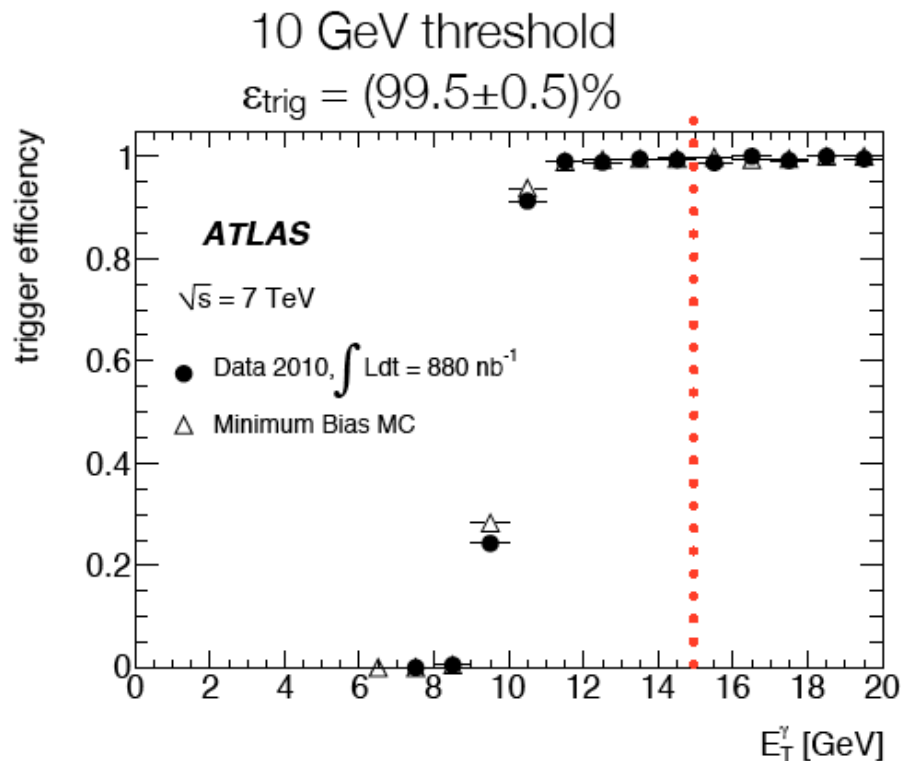
Use **electrons** from  $W, Z$   
Study  $e/\gamma$  differences on MC, apply to collision  
data.

- : from electron extrapolation
- : from non-TIGHT subtraction



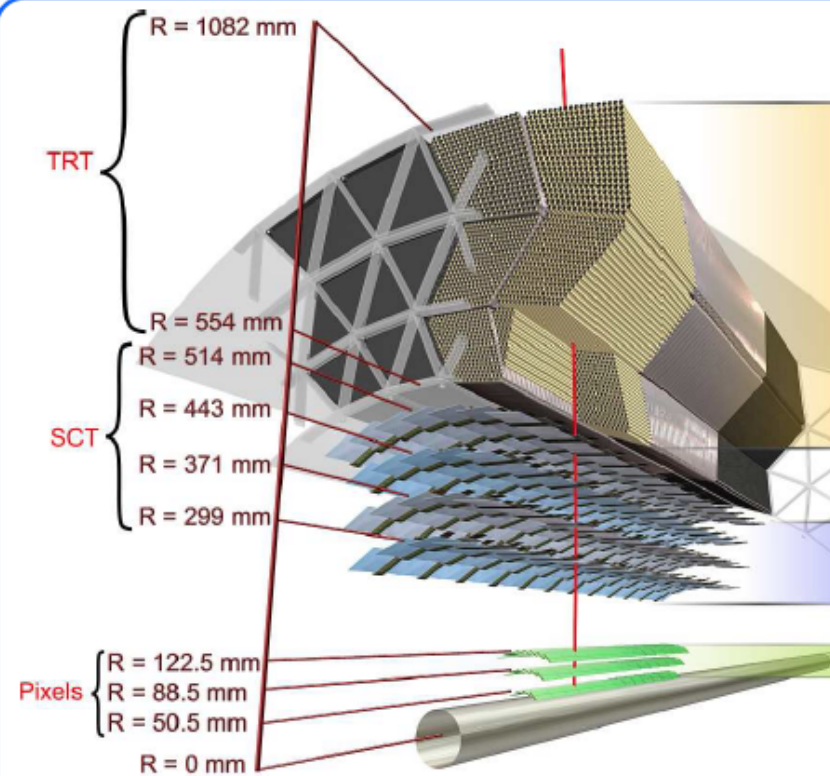
# TRIGGER AND RECONSTRUCTION EFFICIENCIES

- $\epsilon_{\text{trig}}$  (from data): plateau at  $\sim 100\%$  for photons passing offline selection

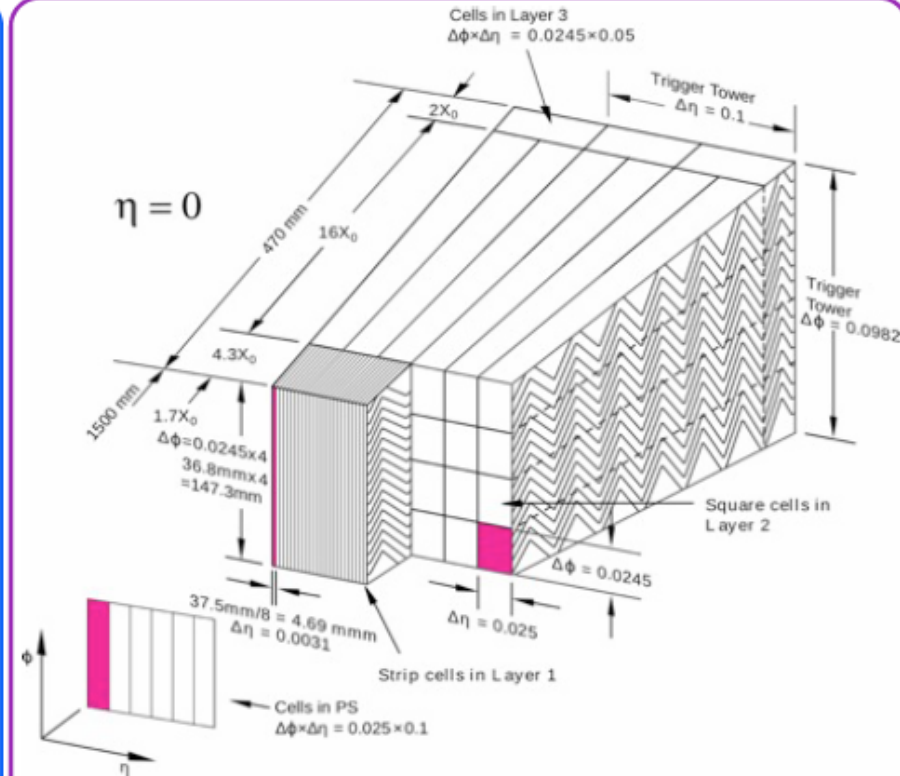


- $\epsilon_{\text{reco}}$  (from MC):  $\sim 80\text{-}85\%$  in barrel ( $|\eta| < 1.37$ ),  $\sim 70\%$  in end-cap ( $1.52 < |\eta| < 2.37$ )
  - significant part of inefficiency (dead readout) recovered in 2011 winter shutdown
  - uncertainties: extra material not in MC (1-2%), generator and fraction of fragmentation photons ( $< 2\%$ ), experimental isolation efficiency (3-4%)

# PHOTON DETECTION WITH ATLAS

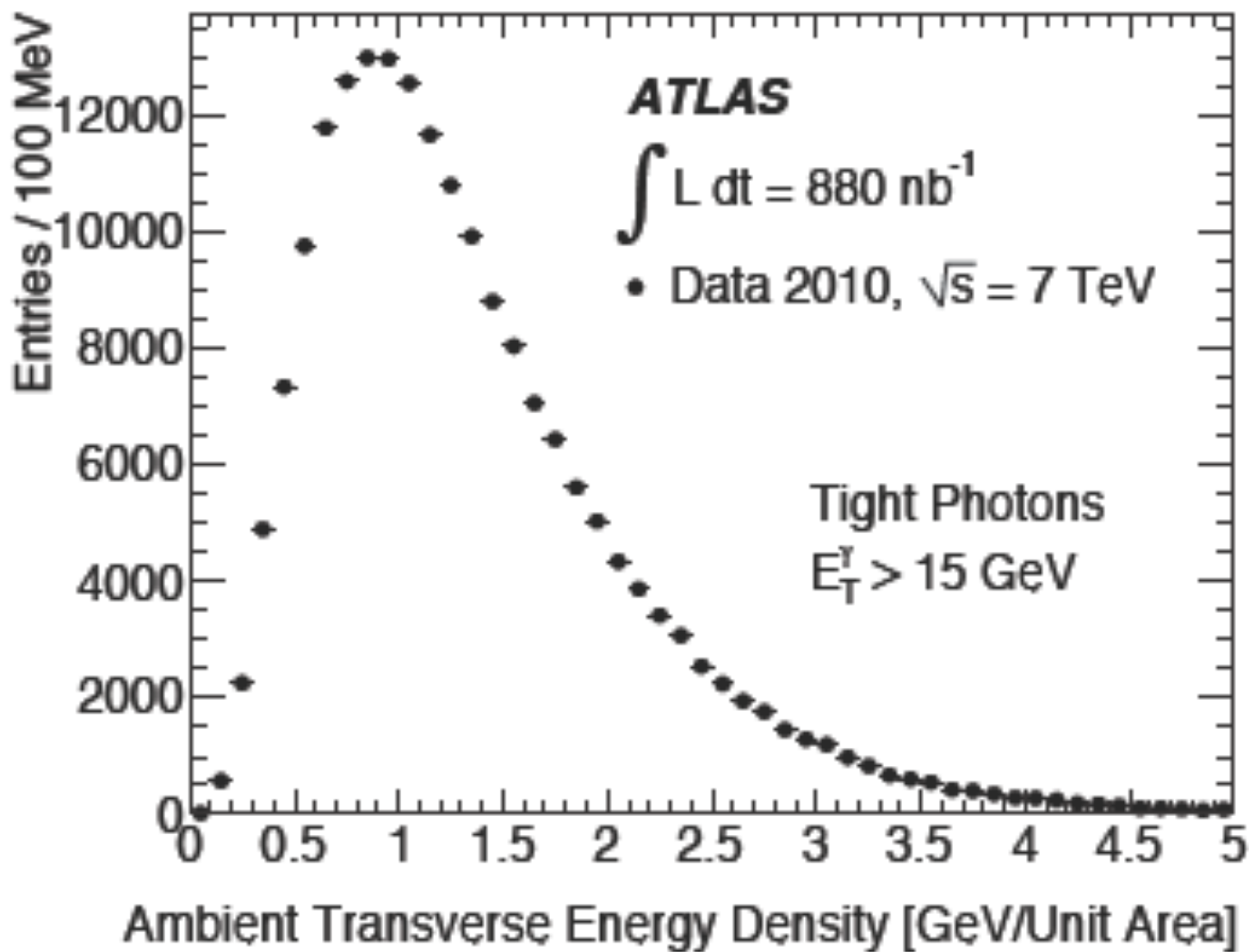


- Inner Detector ( $|\eta| < 2.5$ )
  - track charged particles
  - measure transition radiation
  - ✓ reconstruct  $\gamma$  conversions
  - ✓ e/ $\gamma$  discrimination



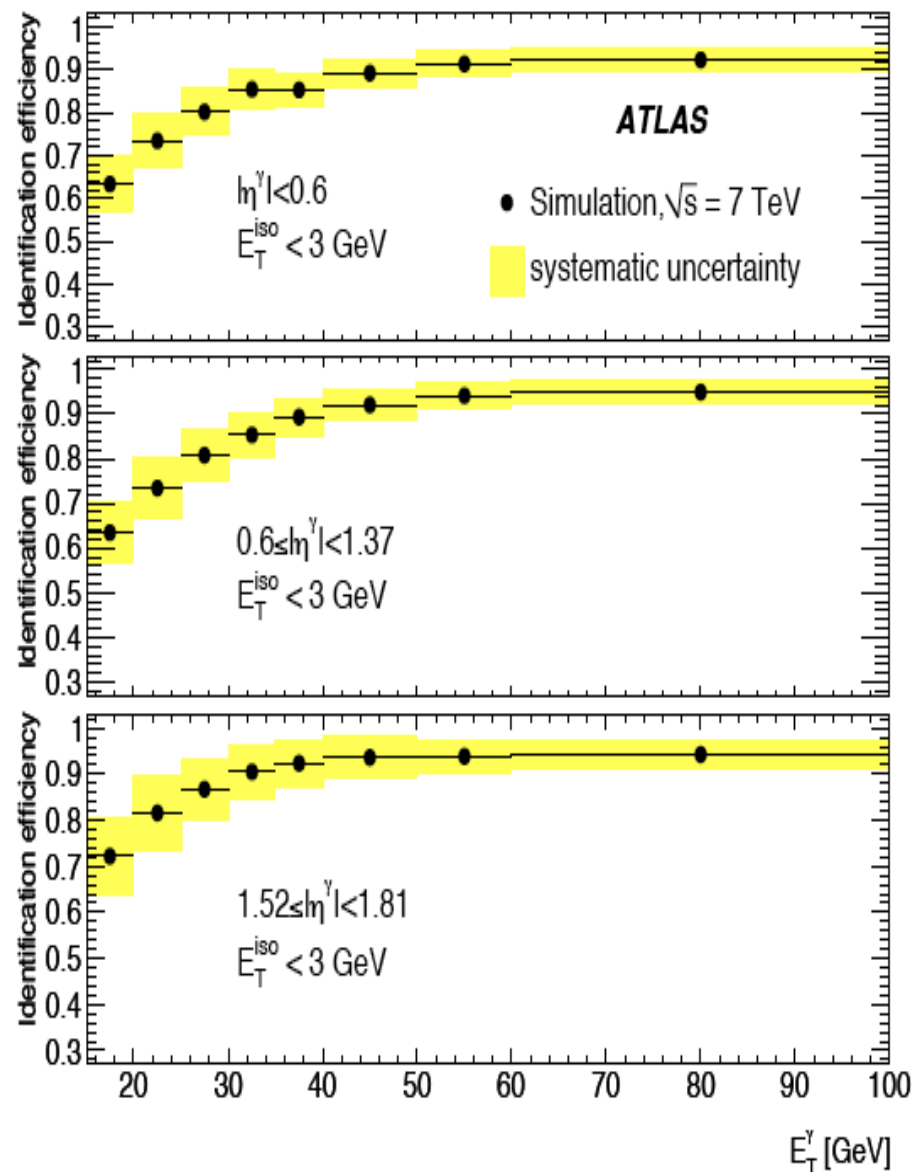
- Pb-LAr EM calorimeter
  - very fine layer 1 segmentation up to  $|\eta| = 2.37$
  - ✓  $\gamma$  energy/direction measurement
  - ✓  $\pi^0/\gamma$  discrimination (shower shape)

# Ambient transverse energy density

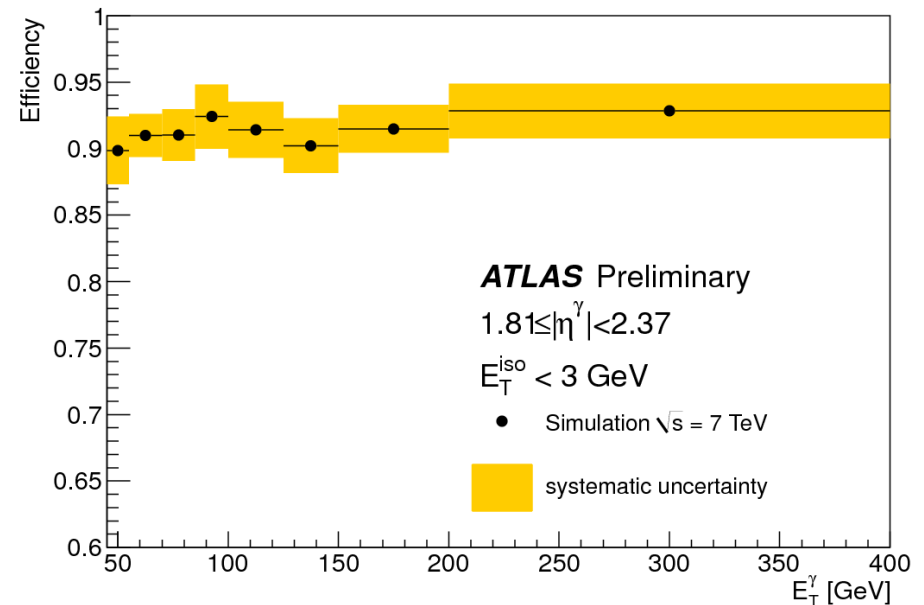
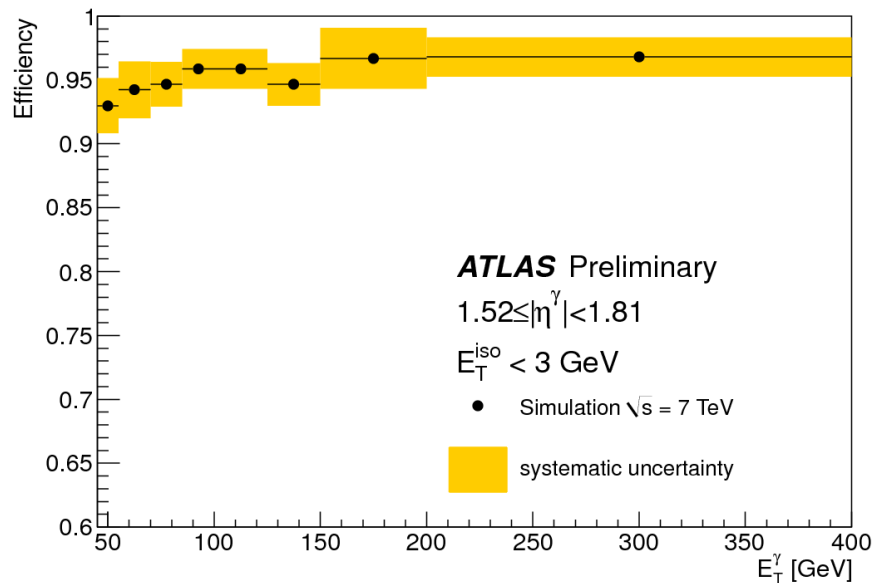
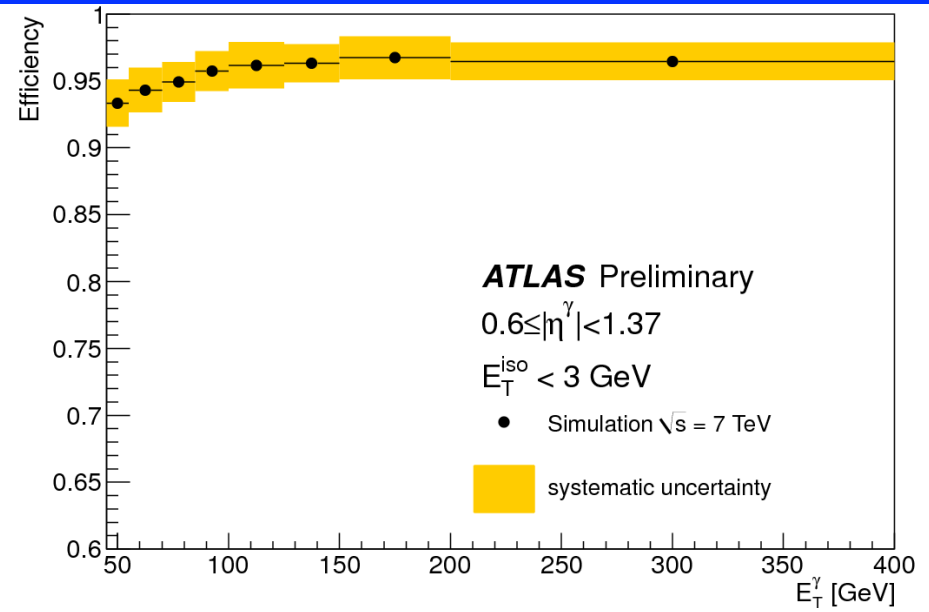
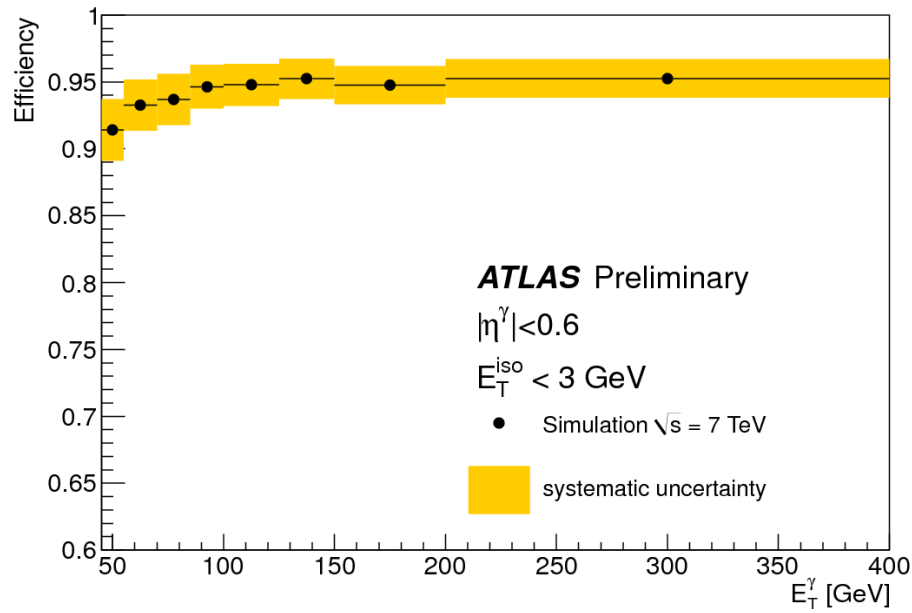




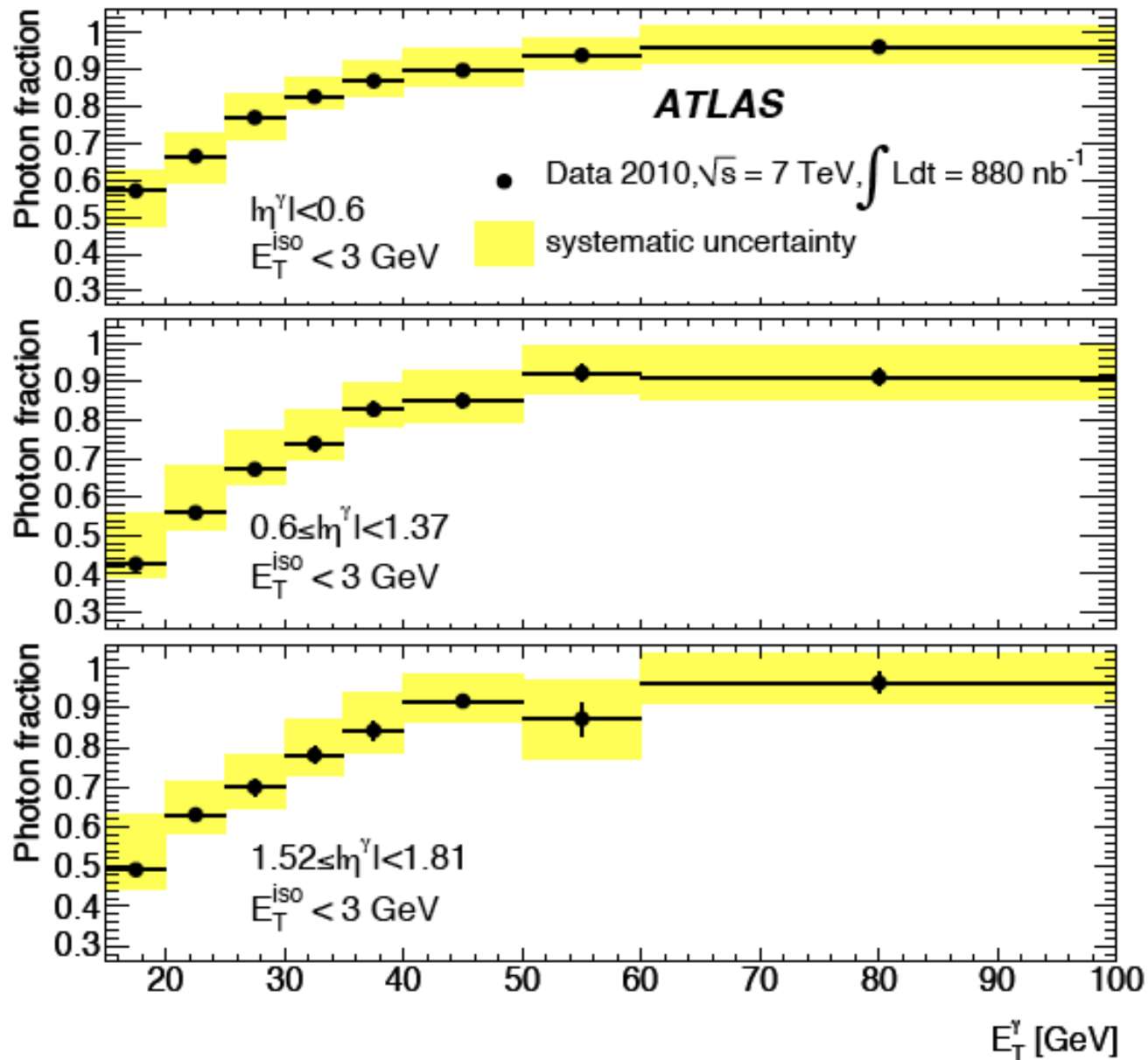
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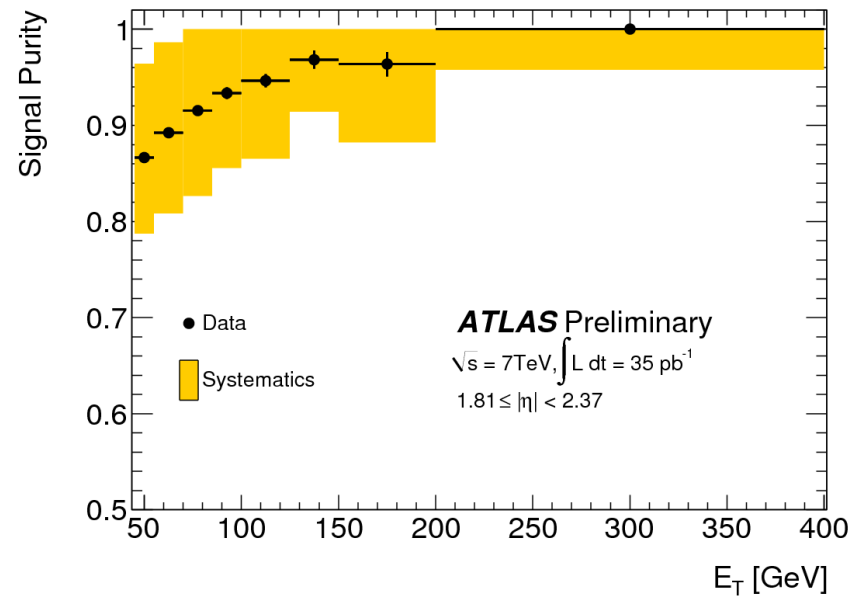
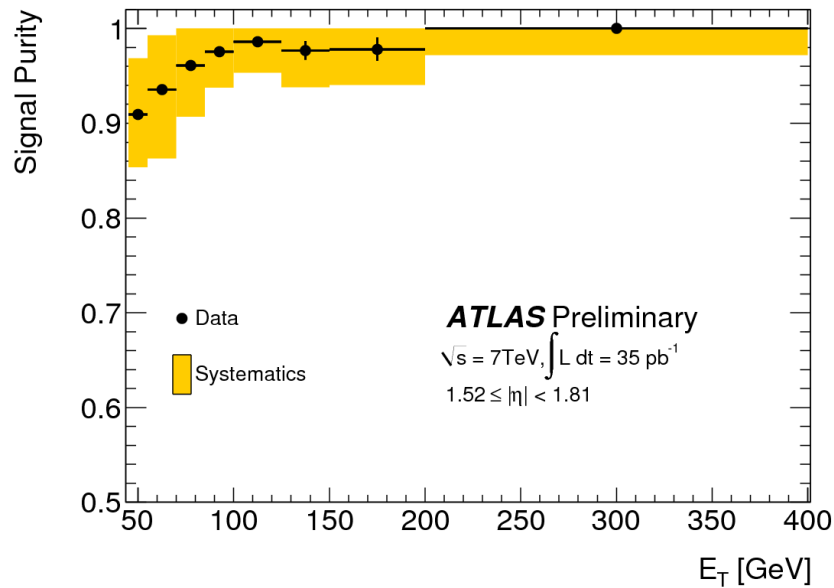
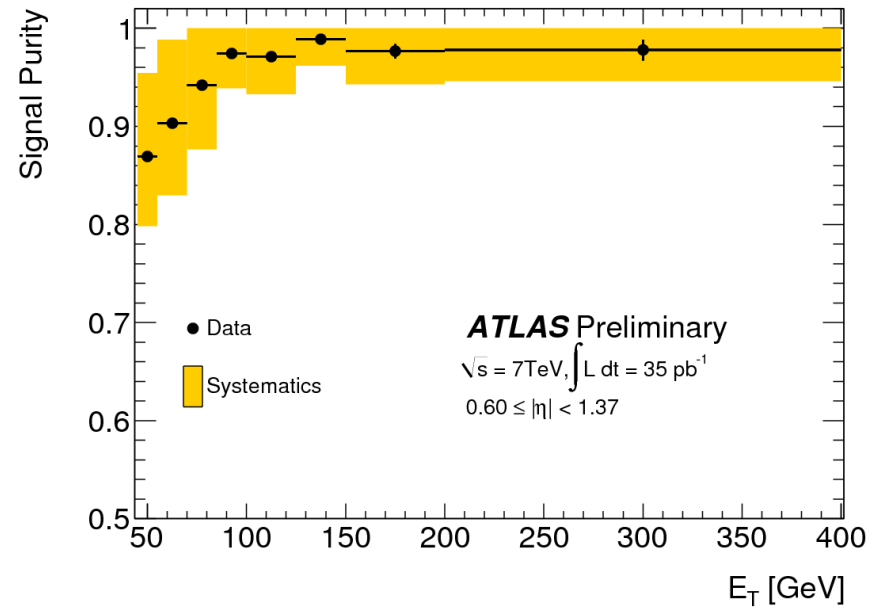
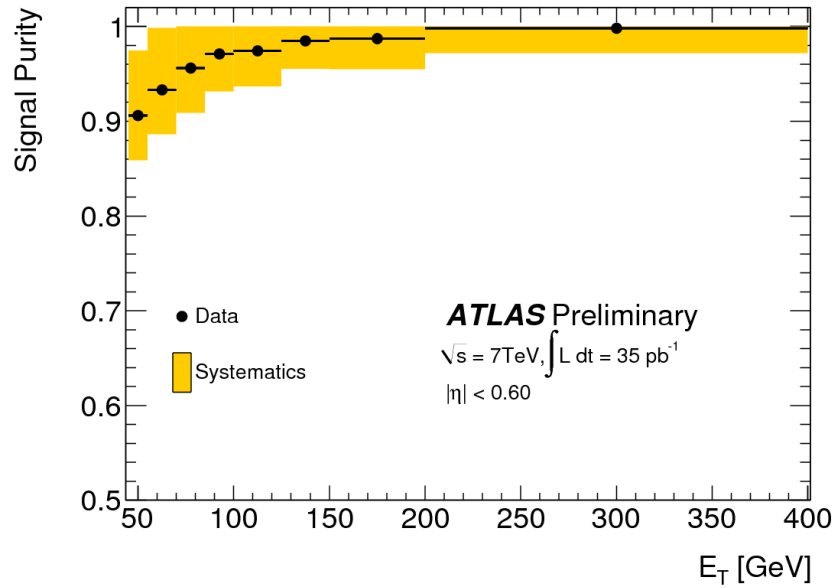
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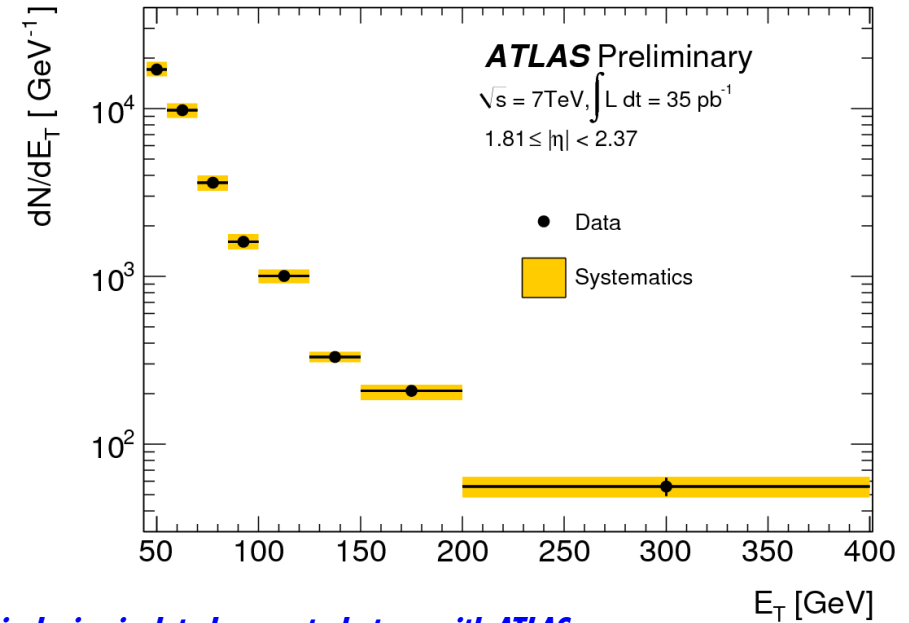
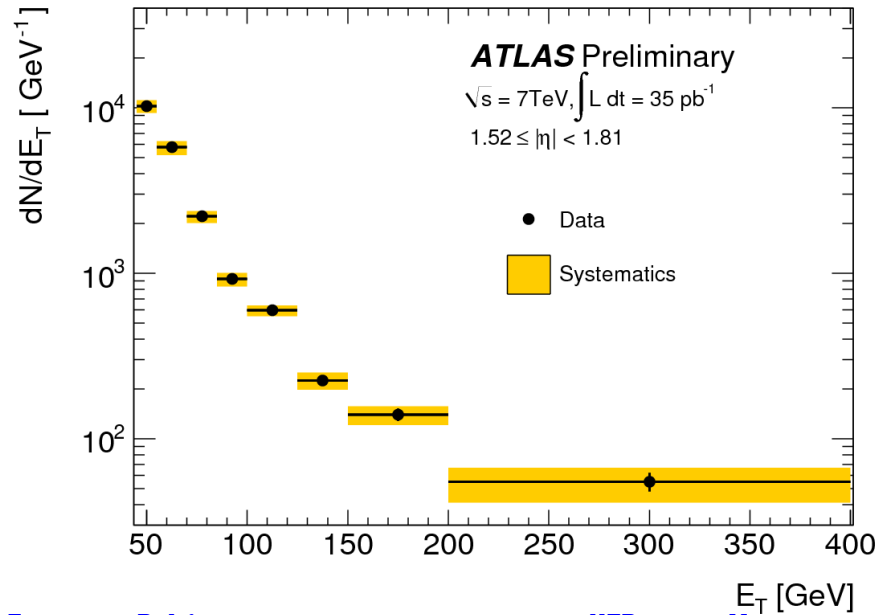
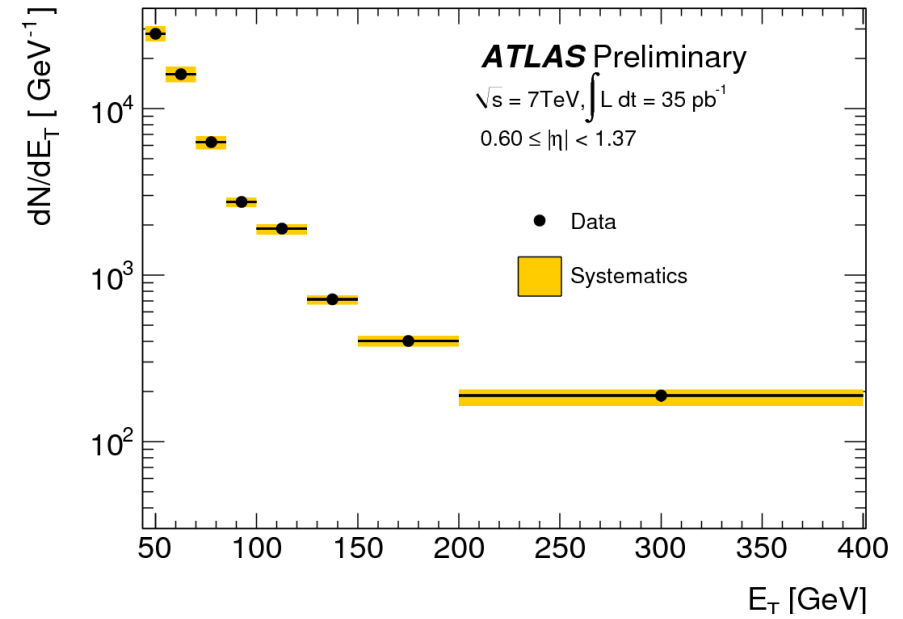
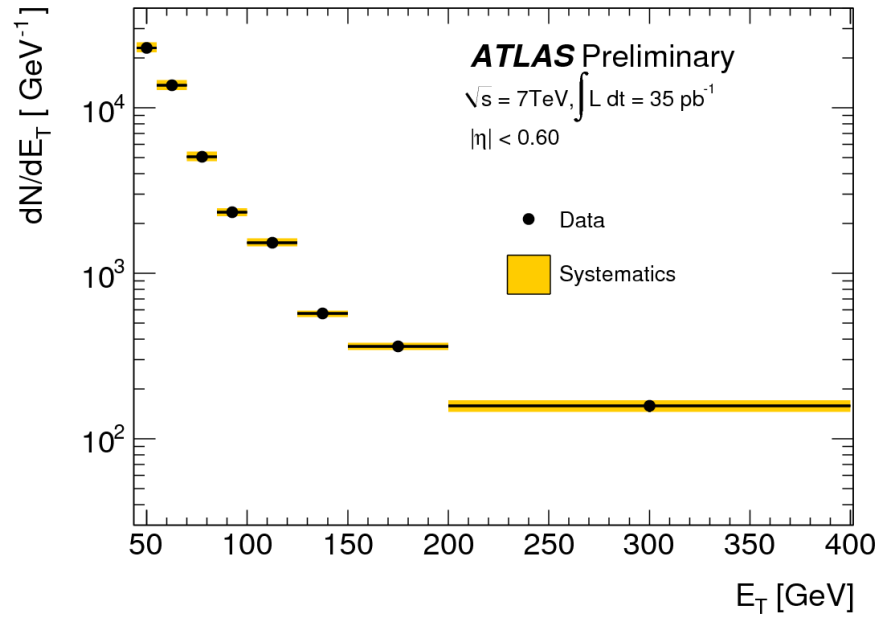
# PHOTONS PURITY (15-100 GeV, 0.85pb<sup>-1</sup>)



# PHOTONS PURITY (45-400 GeV, 35pb<sup>-1</sup>)



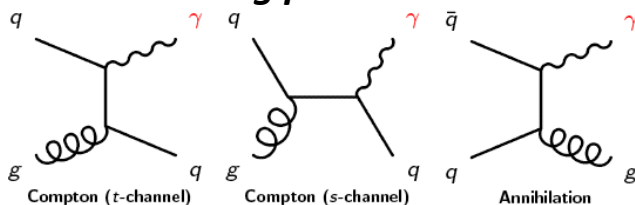
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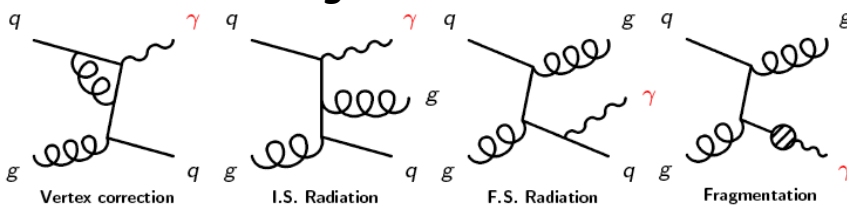
# DIAGRAMS

## SINGLE PHOTON

### Leading processes



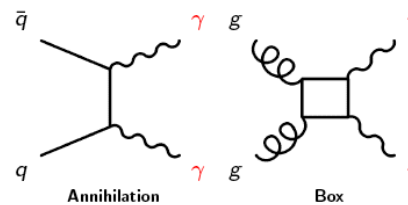
### Higher Order



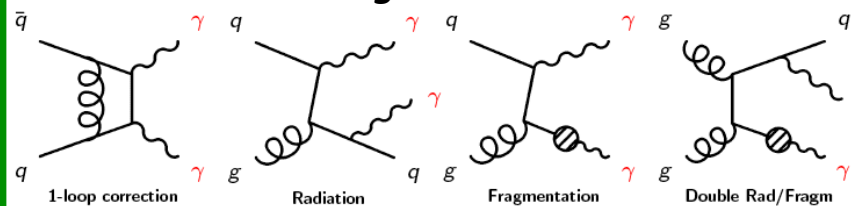
- Compton dominant respect to the annihilation
- Fragmentation, giving photons closer to hadrons, important at low  $E_T$

## DI-PHOTONS

### Leading processes



### Higher Order



- Annihilation and box comparable due to high flux of gluons at LHC

# SINGLE PHOTON CROSS-SECTION SYSTEMATICS

Systematic	Reco. Eff.	ID Eff.	Yield	Unfolding	Theory
Finite Statistics per bin				< 2%	
Generator	1%	< 1%	~ 1%	3%	
$E_T$ Resolution				< 1%	
Photon ID			< 5%		
Photon Isolation			< 1%		
Signal Leakage			2% – 8%		
Background Correlations			< 4%		
Energy Scale			2% – 8%		
Material	1% – 4%	1% – 2%	< 1%		
Soft-jet Energy Density			3% – 7%		
Transverse Energy Leakage			1% – 4%		
Hard/Brem Composition	1%	< 1%	1% – 7%		
OTX	0.2%				
Photon Isolation Cut	3% – 4%				
Intrinsic Precision		1% – 3%			
Photon Sample Selection		0.5%			
Conv/Unconv. Photon Ratio		< 1%			
Scale uncertainty					10% – 20%
PDFs					2% – 5%
Parton level Isolation					< 2%

# DI-PHOTONS CROSS-SECTION SYSTEMATICS

$m_{\gamma\gamma}$ [GeV]	$\tilde{T}$	$\tilde{I}$	matrix	$e \rightarrow \gamma$	ID	material	generator	$\sigma_E$	$E$ -scale	$E_T^{\text{iso(part)}}$	$\int Ldt$
0 - 30	+0.03	+0.000	+0.021	+0.002	+0.020	+0.021	+0.03	+0.001	+0.006	+0.000	+0.007
	-0.01	-0.005	-0.022	-0.002	-0.017	-0.000	-0.00	-0.000	-0.002	-0.010	-0.007
30 - 40	+0.17	+0.00	+0.13	+0.008	+0.22	+0.3	+0.014	+0.003	+0.04	+0.00	+0.06
	-0.09	-0.05	-0.13	-0.008	-0.18	-0.0	-0.000	-0.000	-0.03	-0.09	-0.06
40 - 50	+0.3	+0.00	+0.19	+0.008	+0.24	+0.3	+0.11	+0.024	+0.00	+0.00	+0.08
	-0.1	-0.06	-0.19	-0.008	-0.20	-0.0	-0.00	-0.000	-0.03	-0.17	-0.08
50 - 60	+0.20	+0.00	+0.14	+0.007	+0.15	+0.19	+0.05	+0.003	+0.06	+0.00	+0.06
	-0.13	-0.04	-0.14	-0.007	-0.13	-0.00	-0.00	-0.000	-0.03	-0.13	-0.06
60 - 70	+0.14	+0.001	+0.09	+0.004	+0.05	+0.07	+0.04	+0.007	+0.03	+0.00	+0.03
	-0.06	-0.016	-0.09	-0.004	-0.04	-0.00	-0.00	-0.000	-0.02	-0.05	-0.03
70 - 80	+0.06	+0.000	+0.05	+0.003	+0.03	+0.07	+0.03	+0.002	+0.009	+0.00	+0.015
	-0.06	-0.007	-0.06	-0.003	-0.03	-0.00	-0.00	-0.001	-0.002	-0.03	-0.015
80 - 100	+0.04	+0.000	+0.04	+0.019	+0.03	+0.04	+0.012	+0.004	+0.013	+0.00	+0.013
	-0.05	-0.005	-0.04	-0.019	-0.02	-0.00	-0.000	-0.000	-0.003	-0.03	-0.013
100 - 150	+0.019	+0.001	+0.015	+0.001	+0.004	+0.002	+0.004	+0.000	+0.002	+0.000	+0.003
	-0.016	-0.001	-0.018	-0.001	-0.003	-0.001	-0.000	-0.001	-0.003	-0.005	-0.003
150 - 200	+0.002	+0.000	+0.003	+0.000	+0.002	+0.004	+0.001	+0.000	+0.001	+0.000	+0.001
	-0.002	-0.000	-0.003	-0.000	-0.001	-0.000	-0.000	-0.000	-0.000	-0.002	-0.001



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0 – 10	+0.3 -0.2	+0.00 -0.09	+0.3 -0.3	+0.03 -0.03	+0.4 -0.4	+0.6 -0.0	+0.10 -0.00	+0.03 -0.00	+0.12 -0.05	+0.0 -0.3	+0.15 -0.15
10 – 20	+0.3 -0.2	+0.00 -0.05	+0.21 -0.22	+0.015 -0.015	+0.20 -0.17	+0.21 -0.00	+0.11 -0.00	+0.001 -0.001	+0.06 -0.03	+0.00 -0.15	+0.08 -0.08
20 – 30	+0.21 -0.16	+0.000 -0.025	+0.13 -0.14	+0.008 -0.008	+0.07 -0.06	+0.10 -0.00	+0.022 -0.000	+0.010 -0.000	+0.03 -0.02	+0.00 -0.08	+0.03 -0.03
30 – 40	+0.13 -0.08	+0.000 -0.012	+0.09 -0.10	+0.006 -0.006	+0.06 -0.05	+0.11 -0.00	+0.08 -0.00	+0.007 -0.000	+0.015 -0.009	+0.00 -0.03	+0.021 -0.021
40 – 50	+0.08 -0.06	+0.000 -0.007	+0.05 -0.06	+0.004 -0.004	+0.018 -0.017	+0.03 -0.00	+0.005 -0.000	+0.000 -0.012	+0.00 -0.03	+0.000 -0.015	+0.009 -0.009
50 – 60	+0.03 -0.03	+0.000 -0.007	+0.02 -0.03	+0.006 -0.006	+0.03 -0.02	+0.04 -0.00	+0.04 -0.00	+0.013 -0.000	+0.05 -0.01	+0.000 -0.023	+0.012 -0.012
60 – 80	+0.021 -0.023	+0.000 -0.001	+0.014 -0.016	+0.001 -0.001	+0.003 -0.003	+0.005 -0.000	+0.000 -0.004	+0.000 -0.001	+0.000 -0.002	+0.000 -0.004	+0.002 -0.002
80 – 100	+0.006 -0.000	+0.000 -0.001	+0.005 -0.005	+0.002 -0.002	+0.003 -0.002	+0.002 -0.006	+0.000 -0.005	+0.001 -0.000	+0.004 -0.001	+0.000 -0.004	+0.002 -0.002
100 – 150	+0.002 -0.001	+0.000 -0.000	+0.001 -0.002	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.001	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000
150 – 200	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000	+0.000 -0.000
$\Delta\phi_{\gamma\gamma}$ [rad]	$\tilde{T}$	$\tilde{I}$	matrix $e \rightarrow \gamma$	ID	material generator	$\sigma_E$	$E$ -scale	$E_T^{\text{iso(part)}}$	$\int Ldt$		
0.00 – 1.00	+1.1 -0.5	+0.00 -0.14	+0.8 -0.8	+0.05 -0.05	+0.4 -0.4	+0.4 -0.0	+0.3 -0.0	+0.000 -0.017	+0.14 -0.08	+0.0 -0.3	+0.17 -0.17
1.00 – 2.00	+1.6 -1.0	+0.0 -0.3	+1.2 -1.2	+0.07 -0.07	+0.8 -0.7	+1.0 -0.0	+0.5 -0.0	+0.023 -0.000	+0.23 -0.10	+0.0 -0.5	+0.3 -0.3
2.00 – 2.50	+3 -2	+0.0 -0.4	+2.2 -2.3	+0.17 -0.17	+2.2 -1.8	+3 -0	+1.5 -0.0	+0.10 -0.00	+0.6 -0.4	+0.0 -1.3	+0.8 -0.8
2.50 – 2.80	+6 -5	+0.0 -1.3	+5 -5	+0.4 -0.4	+5 -4	+6 -0	+0.3 -0.0	+0.4 -0.0	+1.8 -1.0	+0 -4	+1.9 -1.9
2.80 – 3.00	+11 -5	+0 -3	+9 -10	+0.9 -0.9	+11 -9	+14 -0	+2.3 -0.0	+0.7 -0.0	+4 -1	+0 -9	+4 -4
3.00 – 3.14	+19 -16	+0 -3	+14 -15	+1.5 -1.5	+16 -13	+18 -0	+9 -0	+0.6 -0.0	+4 -2	+0 -12	+6 -6