

Measurements of low energy observables in proton-proton collisions with the ATLAS Detector

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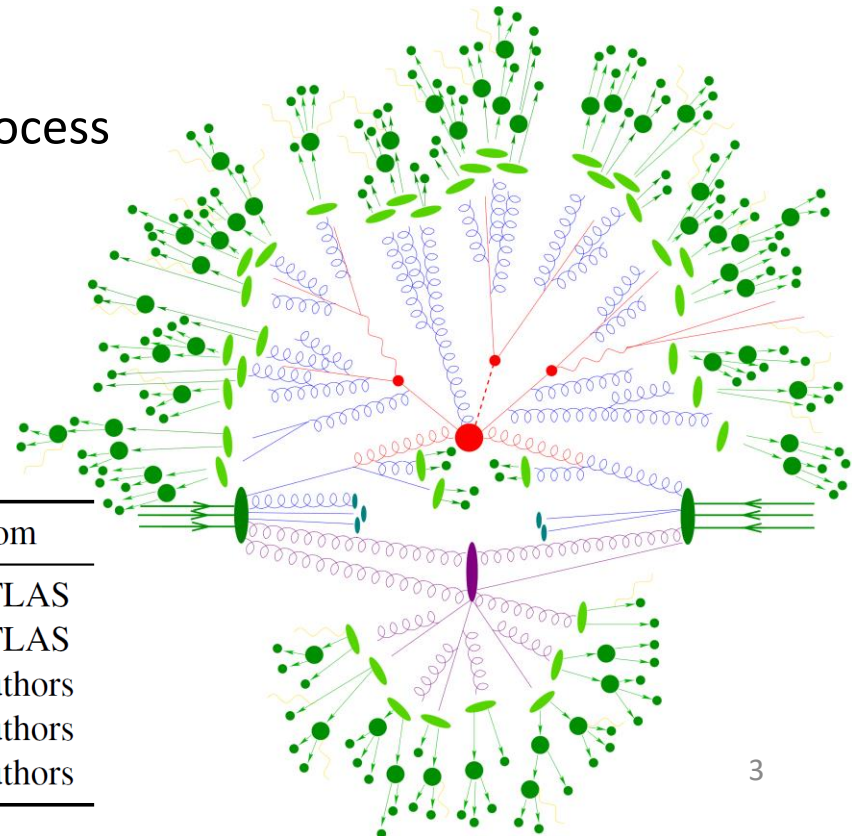
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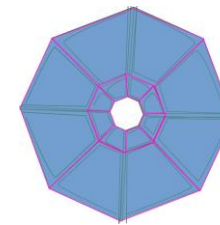
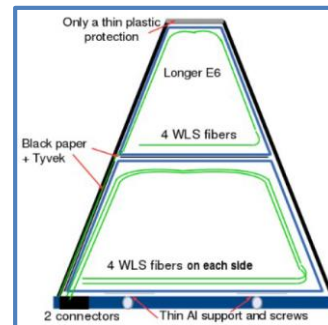
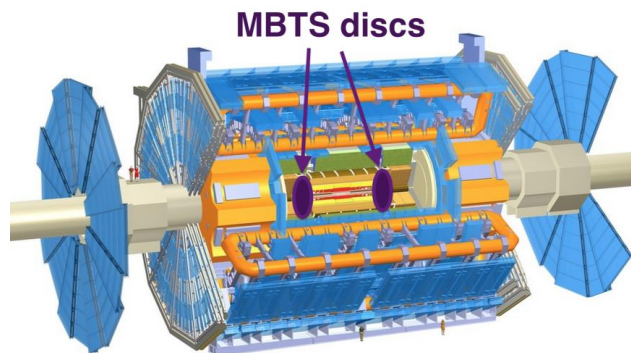
- Measurement of angular distribution of energy and of particle flow with respect to leading particle – as a function of p_T^{lead} , $\Delta\phi$, and of track multiplicity (33 distributions)
- 2 goals:
 - challenge the Monte Carlo predictions for new energy (average 5% accuracy)
 - provide corrected data for new tuning/UE model development (Rivet)
(highly precise measurement < 1%)
- Phenomenology of UE – on top of “hard” process
 - shower algorithms (initial/final)
 - semi-hard MPI
 - soft MPI / remnant scattering
 - color evolution and reconnection



Generator	Version	Tune	PDF	Focus	From
PYTHIA 8	8.185	A2	MSTW2008 LO	MB	ATLAS
PYTHIA 8	8.185	A14	NNPDF2.3 LO	UE	ATLAS
PYTHIA 8	8.186	Monash	NNPDF2.3 LO	MB/UE	Authors
HERWIG 7	7.0.1	UE-MMHT	MMHT2014 LO	UE/DPS	Authors
EPOS	3.4	LHC	—	MB	Authors

Track-based UE @ 13 TeV

- New measurement of Underlying Event (UE) using the Minimum Bias (MB) data
 - 2015 data, 1.6 nb^{-1} ; **MBTS trigger** (> 1 hit) 99-100% efficient
 - Inner tracking detector $|\eta| < 2.5$ (Run II – new pixel „B“ layer; $r = 25$ mm)
 - low luminosity run – multiple vertex events removed (> 3 tracks above 100 MeV)
 - **track $p_T > 500$ MeV**, “primary” (impact parameter below 1.5 mm)
 - 66 M events with at least **one track $p_T > 1000$ MeV**



8 segments in the inner octagonal ring, 4 segments in the outer ring

- Connected measurements: Track-based Minimum bias at 13 TeV
Eur.Phys.J.C76 (2016) 502, Phys. Lett. B758 (2016) 67
 - corresponding low luminosity measurements of low- p_T charged particles ($p_T > 500$, later 100 MeV)
 - focus on variables describing the entire event – mean p_T , inclusive spectra of track transverse momentum and pseudorapidity

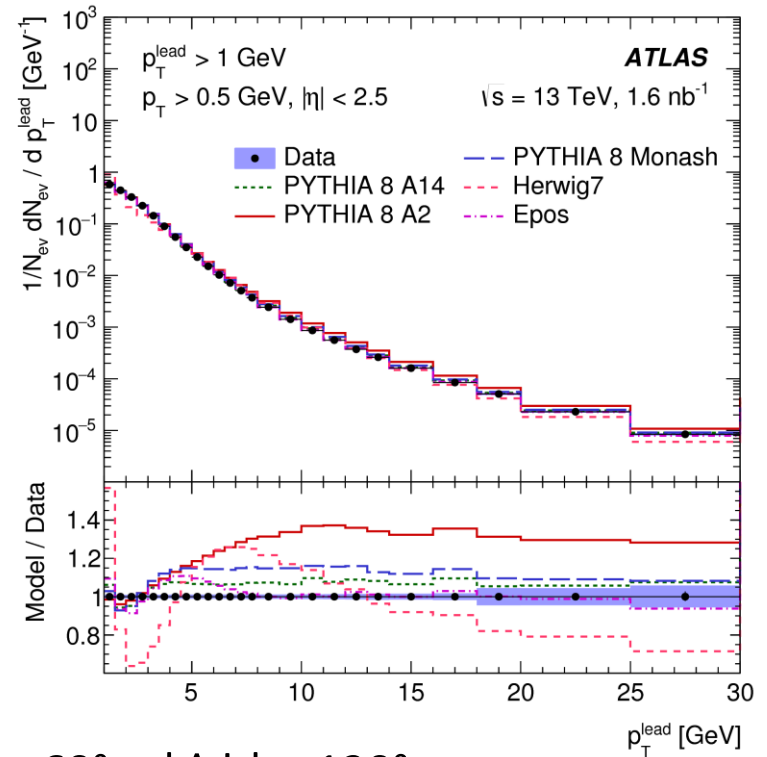
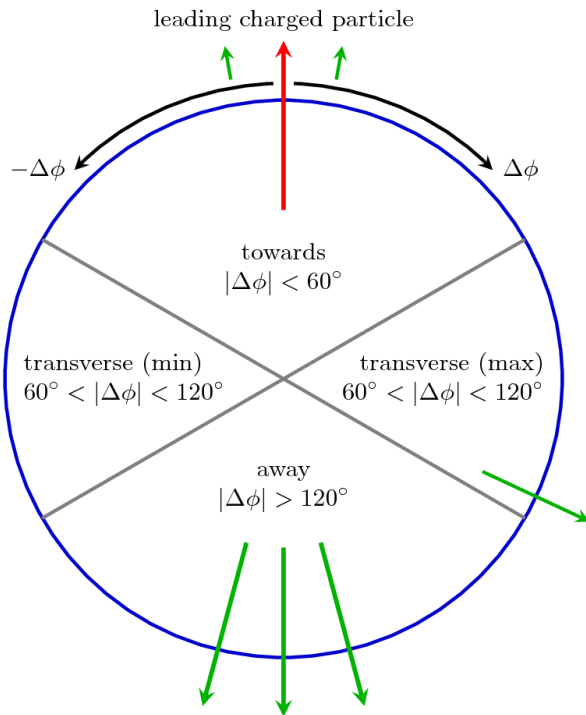
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Measurement strategy: divide the phase space to discriminate the UE sources

Regions in the azimuthal plane
(track ϕ wrt leading particle)

- Towards $|\Delta\phi| < 60^\circ$
- Away $|\Delta\phi| > 120^\circ$

main flow of hard process energy insensitive to UE



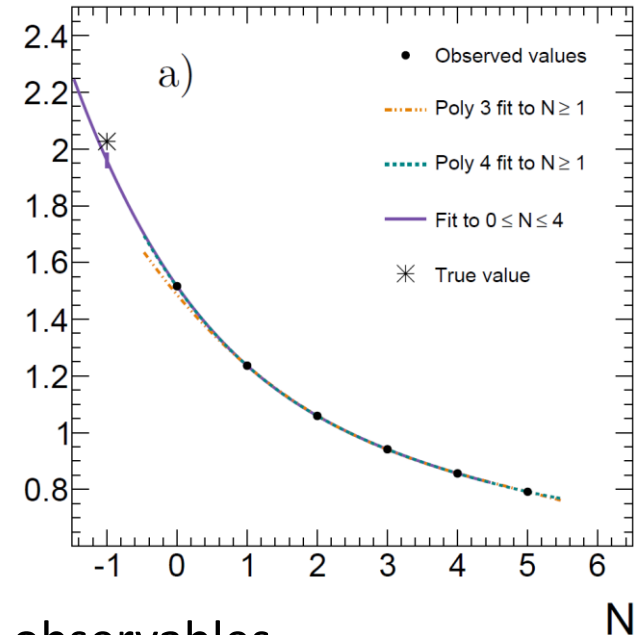
- Transverse $60^\circ < |\Delta\phi| < 120^\circ$
 - sensitive to UE, according to $\sum p_T$ divides into
 - “Trans-max” – occasional occurrence of hard emission
 - “Trans-min” – only UE (MPI)
 - “Trans-diff” – wide angle emissions without UE (Trans-min subtracted from trans-max)
- all regions have to be filled to accept event

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Classical correction to particle level (N_{ch} , Σp_T , $\langle p_T \rangle$):

- Event weighting:
 - trigger efficiency
 - data-driven vertex reconstruction efficiency ~100%
- Track weighting: (MC based)
 - track matching 65 – 85 % wrt track η and p_T
 - non-primary track fraction – up to 2.3% for $p_T = 500$ MeV
 - out-of-kinematic-range fraction



Correction to particle level – for $|\Delta\phi|$ region dependent observables

- effect of “reorientation” may disrupt the measurement – few per-cent level effect
- HBOM method (Hit Backspace Once More):

Smoothly varying observable value in a bin when “track reconstruction” is applied (track reco efficiency is known)

Let’s apply it 4 times to data (for each bit each observable) and extrapolate it back to “-1” step (2nd order polynomial) → get the distribution as there would be 100% efficiency

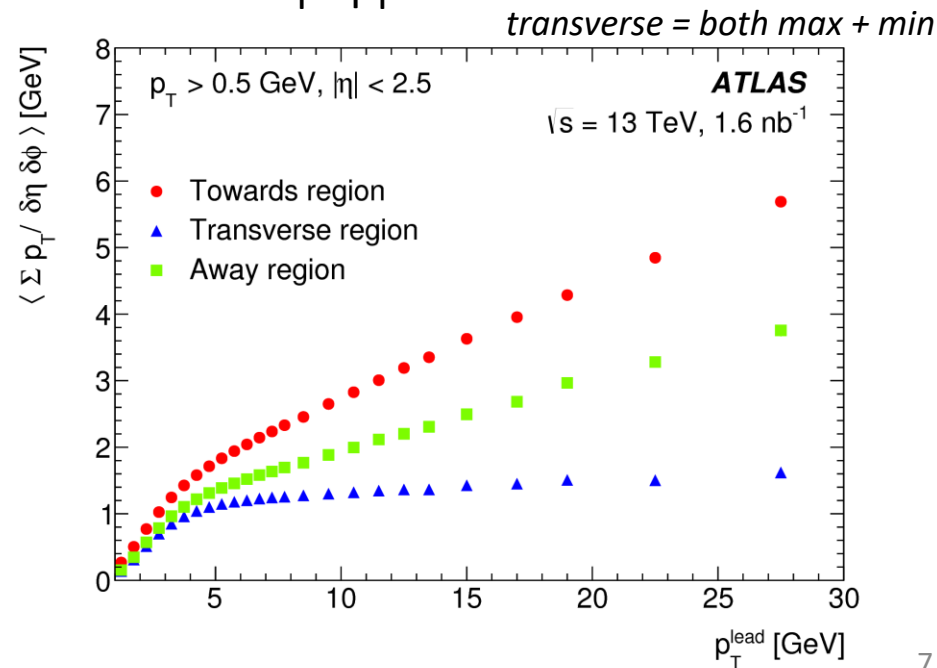
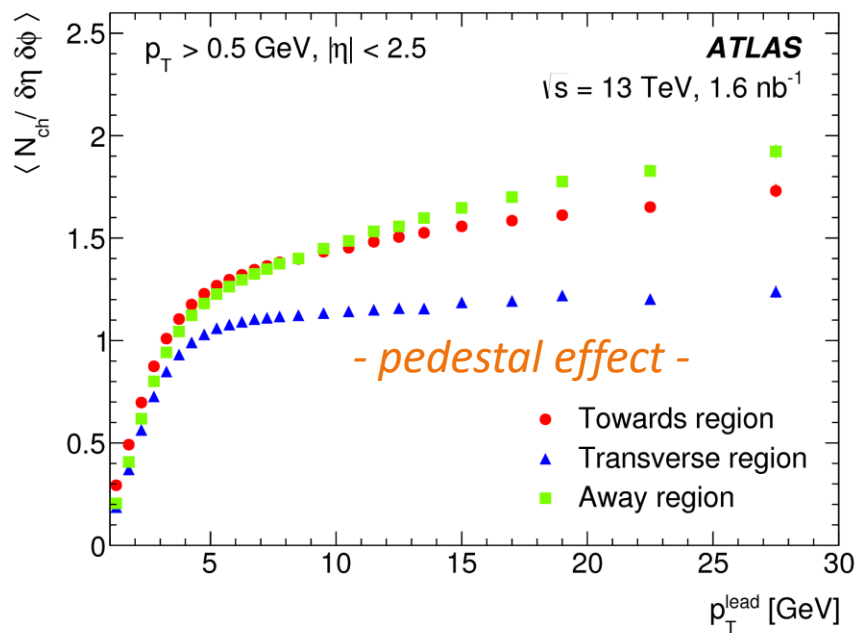
Compared to MC unfolding

Track-based UE @ 13 TeV

- observables insensitive to diffraction (by construction), max 2%
- non-collision background events negligible
- 2D event/track distributions measured \rightarrow mean value 1D distributions (profiles)
 - number of charged particles N_{ch}
 - scalar sum of transverse momenta Σp_{T}
 - average transverse momentum of particles $\langle p_{\text{T}} \rangle$
 - all as densities per $\delta\eta\delta\phi$ unit ($\delta\eta = 5, \delta\phi = 2\pi/3 \dots$)

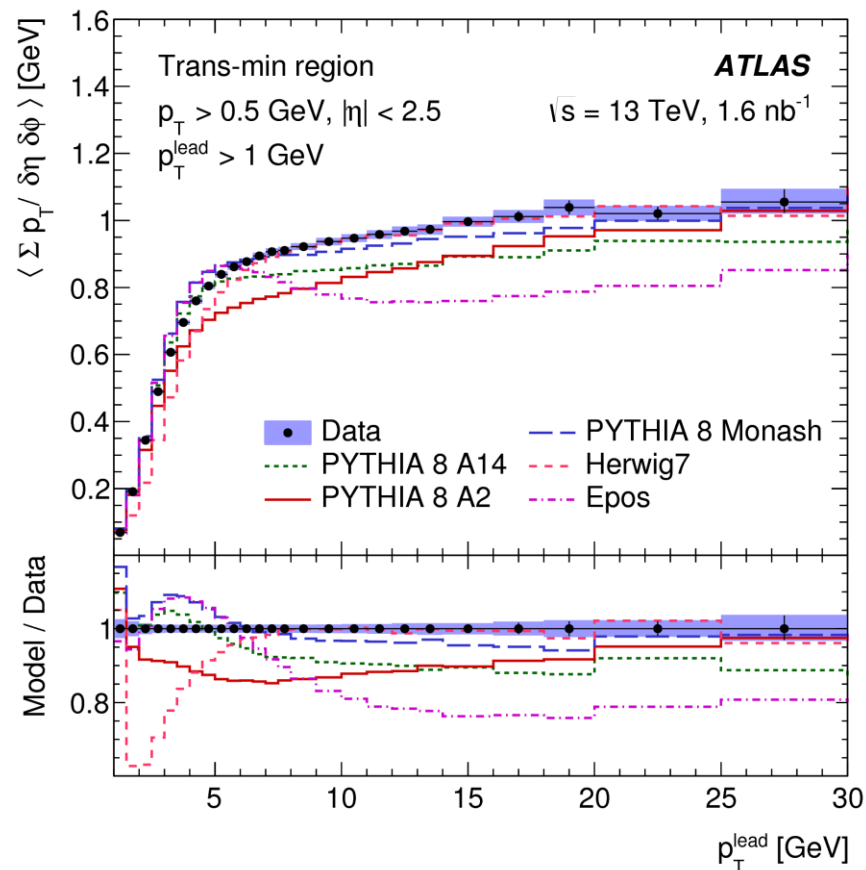
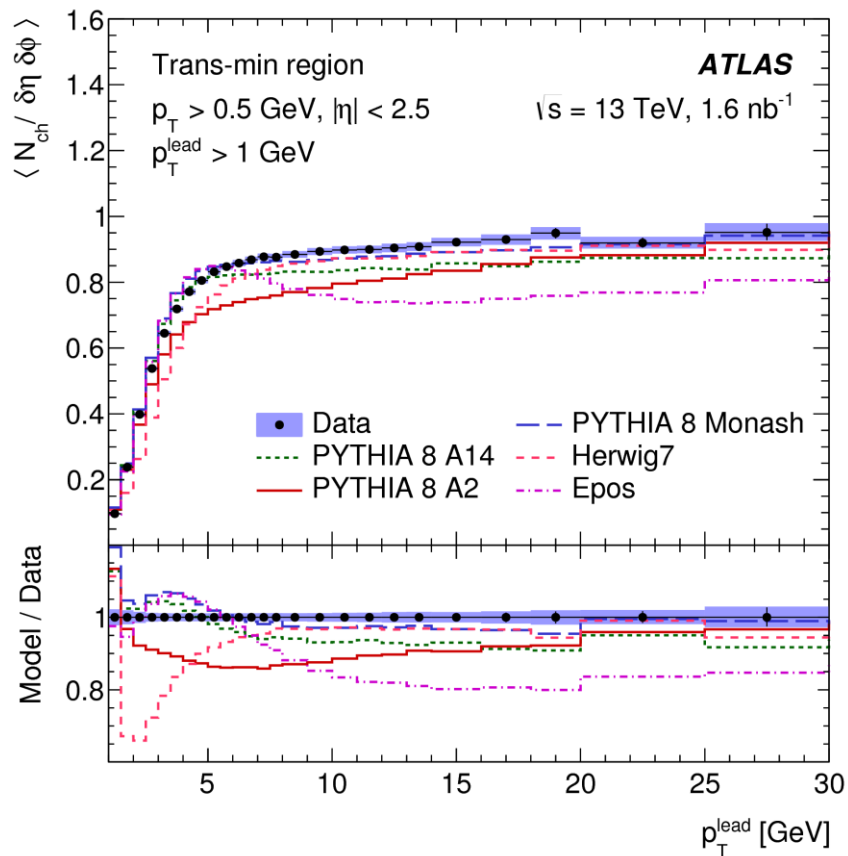
As a function of

- leading track p_{T}
- N_{ch} (in different regions)
- $|\Delta\phi|$



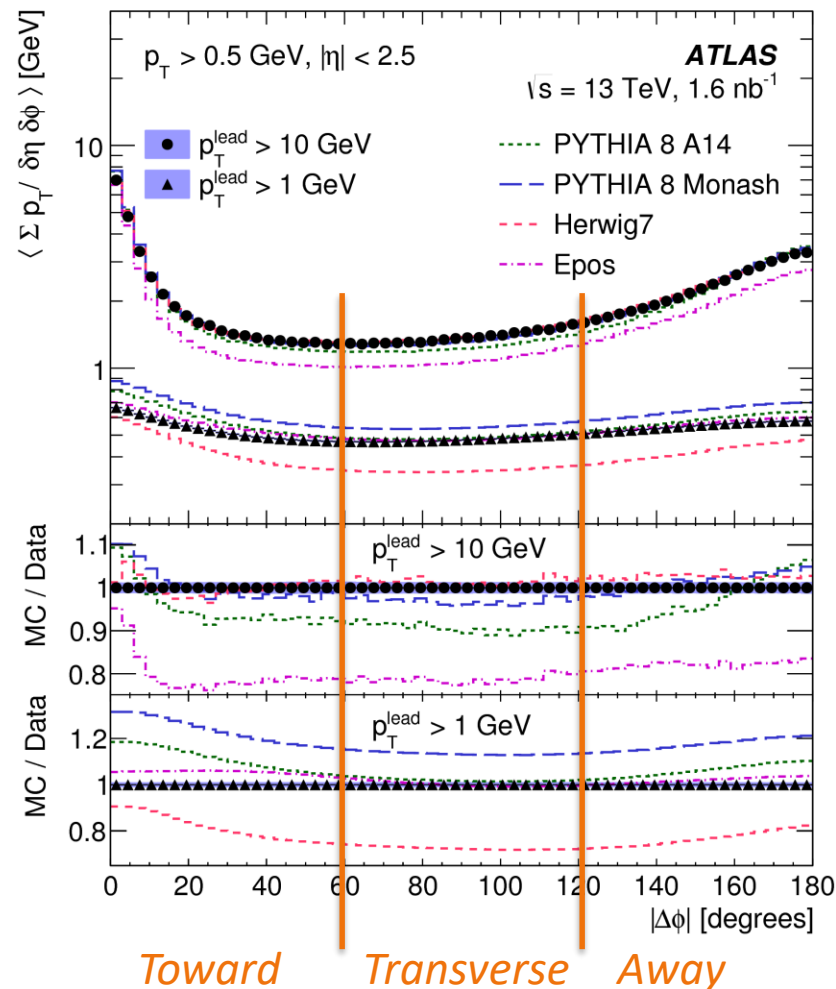
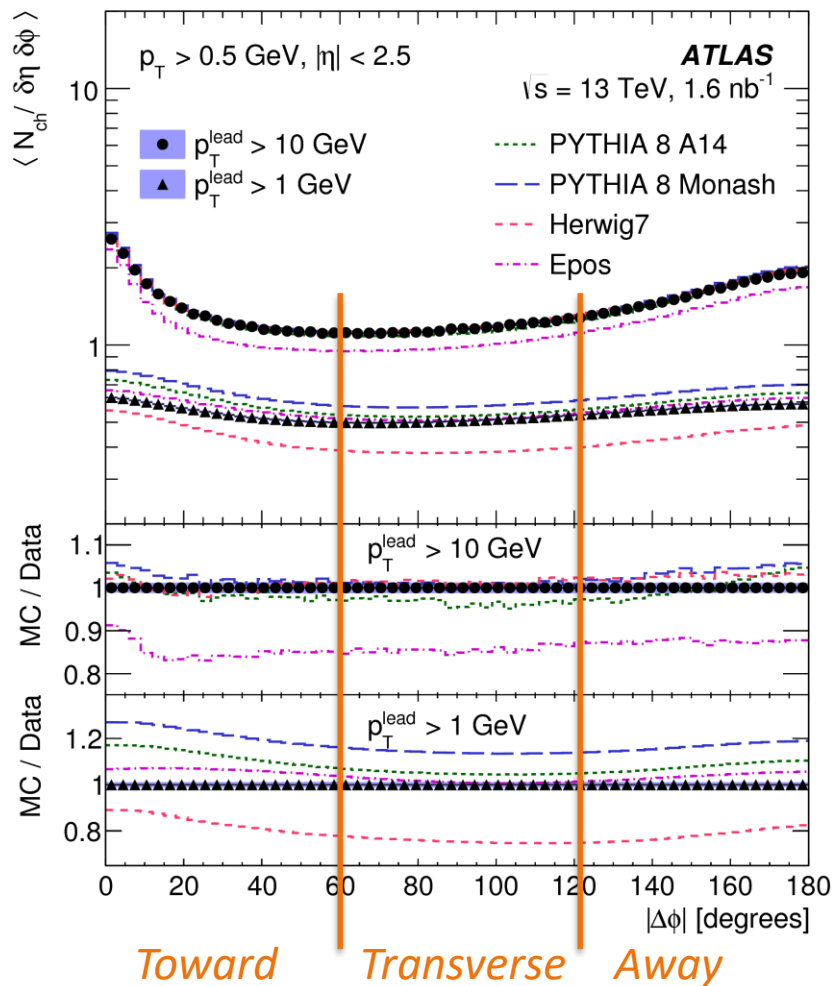
Track-based UE @ 13 TeV

Transverse region with lower Σp_T – MPI enhanced



- the strongest pedestal effect among the regions
- Plateau - best Pythia8 Monash and Herwig7
- Pythia8 A2 and A14 off by 10%; Epos by 20%

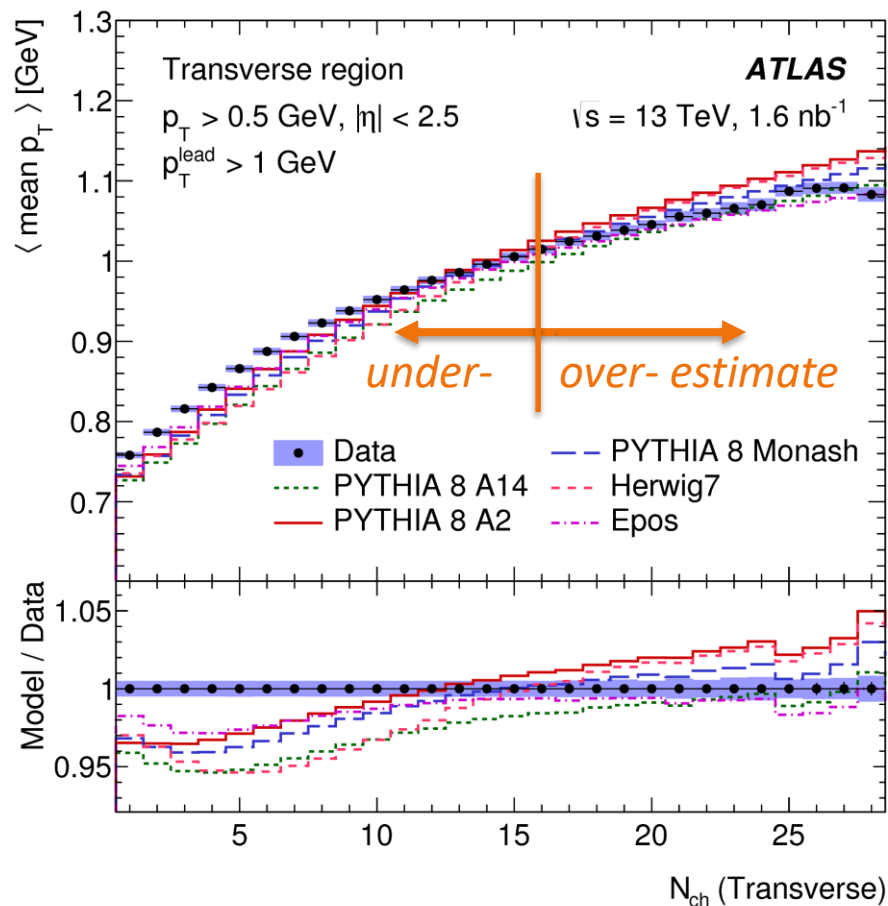
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- Epos stands for 1 GeV but loses for 10 GeV selections
- No model describes both N_{ch} and Σp_T

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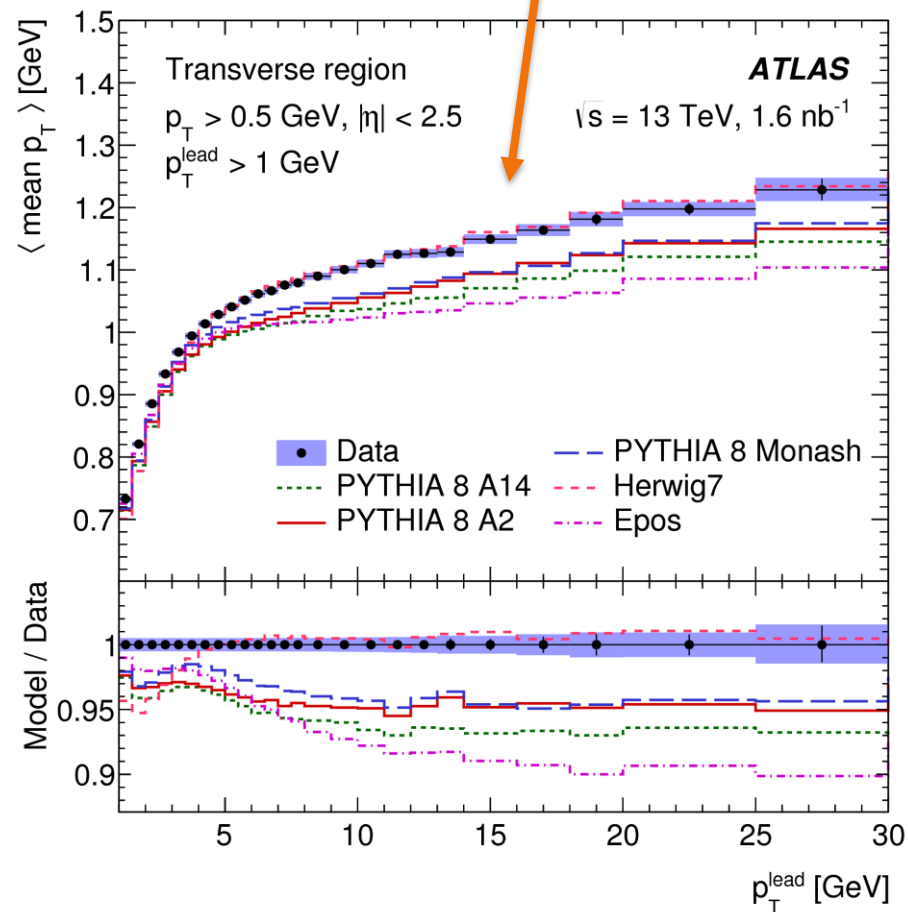
Transverse region



Best: Epos < 3%

- Connections between p_T and N_{ch}
- Sensitive to color re-connection

not as flat as N_{ch} and Σp_T



Best: Herwig7 < 1%
 (above 5 GeV)

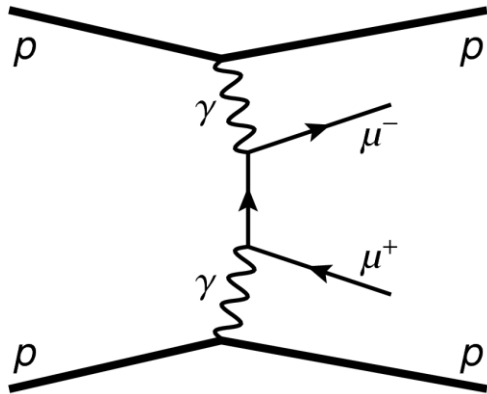
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<https://arxiv.org/abs/1708.04053>

Exclusive $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ @ 13 TeV



- Pure electroweak process in pp collision
- Protons remain unbroken – elastic scattering
- Measurement without forward proton detectors
 - exclusive track selection and specific kinematics employed
- Connected ATLAS measurements:
 - exclusive dilepton production @ 7TeV: Phys. Lett. B 749 (2015) 242
 - exclusive WW production @ 8 TeV: Phys. Rev. D 94 (2016) 032011

Signal modeling:

- **Equivalent Photon Approximation (EPA)**

interacting photons \approx quasi-real photons around the proton

low virtuality ($Q^2 < 0.01 \text{ GeV}^2$) \rightarrow back-to-back muons

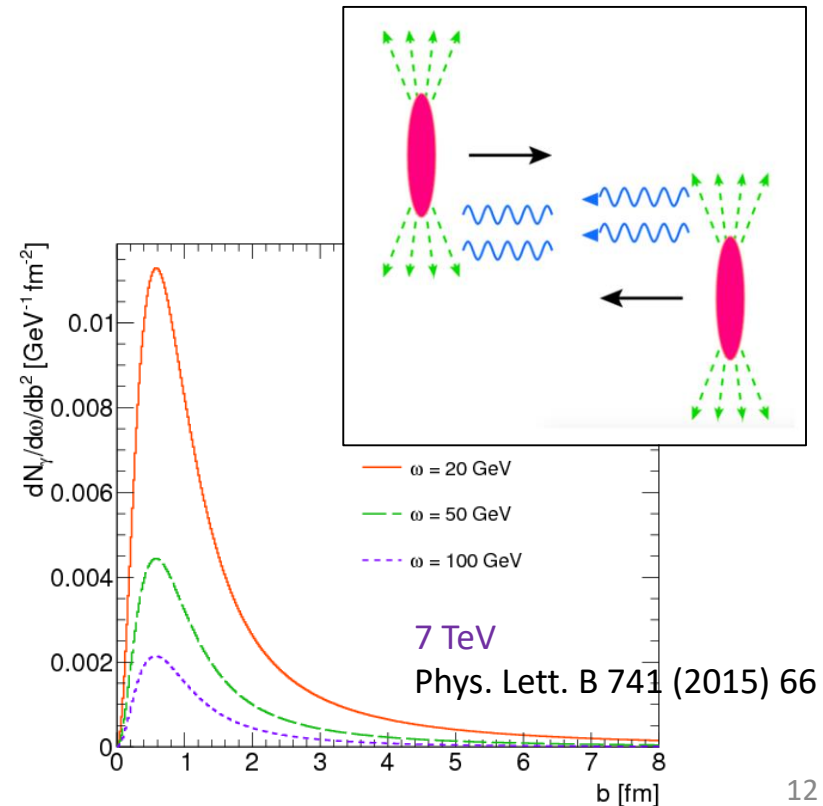
Main data sample:

Herwig7 generator as LO $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

using EPA initial photon flux input

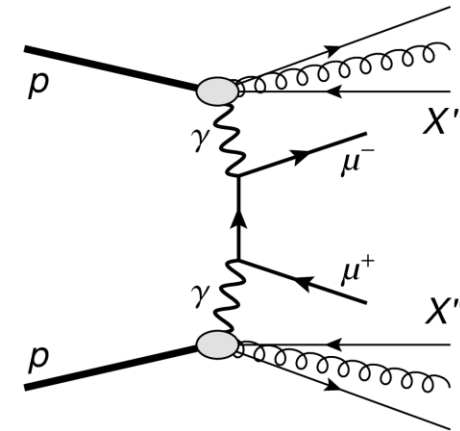
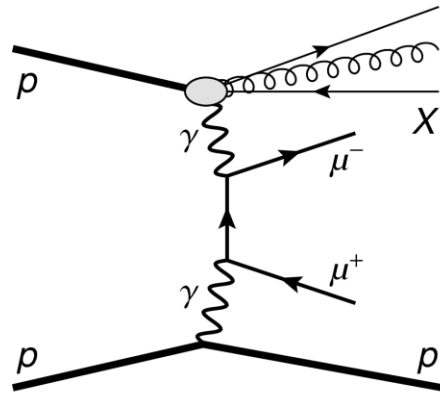
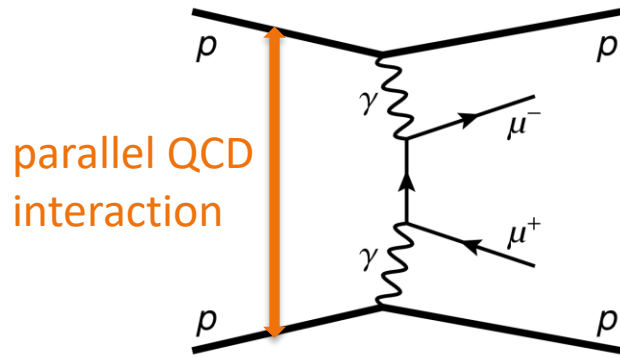
Second data sample:

SuperChic2 generator



Exclusive $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ @ 13 TeV

Background processes:



Proton absorptive effects

- measured via "Survival factor"
- EPA corrected by finite-size parametrization
- photons have to be outside proton, $r > 0.64$ fm

Drell-Yan (+ $t\bar{t}$)

- Powheg-Box + Pythia8 + Photos for FSR QED

Single- and double-proton dissociation

Single: Lpair + JetSet

(Brasse and Suri-Yennie structure functions)

Double: Pythia8

- also include absorptive effects

	Data	Signal	Total background	S-diss	D-diss	$Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	$Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$	Multijet	$t\bar{t}$
Baseline selection	2 933 384	5740	2 897 000	8640	8000	<u>226 8000</u>	10 900	590 000	12 200
1 mm vertex isolation	14 759	4560	11 100	6840	300	3900	30	50	0
$m_{\mu^+\mu^-} < 70$ GeV	12 395	4420	8800	6420	300	2000	30	50	0
$p_T^{\mu^+\mu^-} < 1.5$ GeV	7952	4370	4300	3550	60	670	7	10	0

76% of signal remains

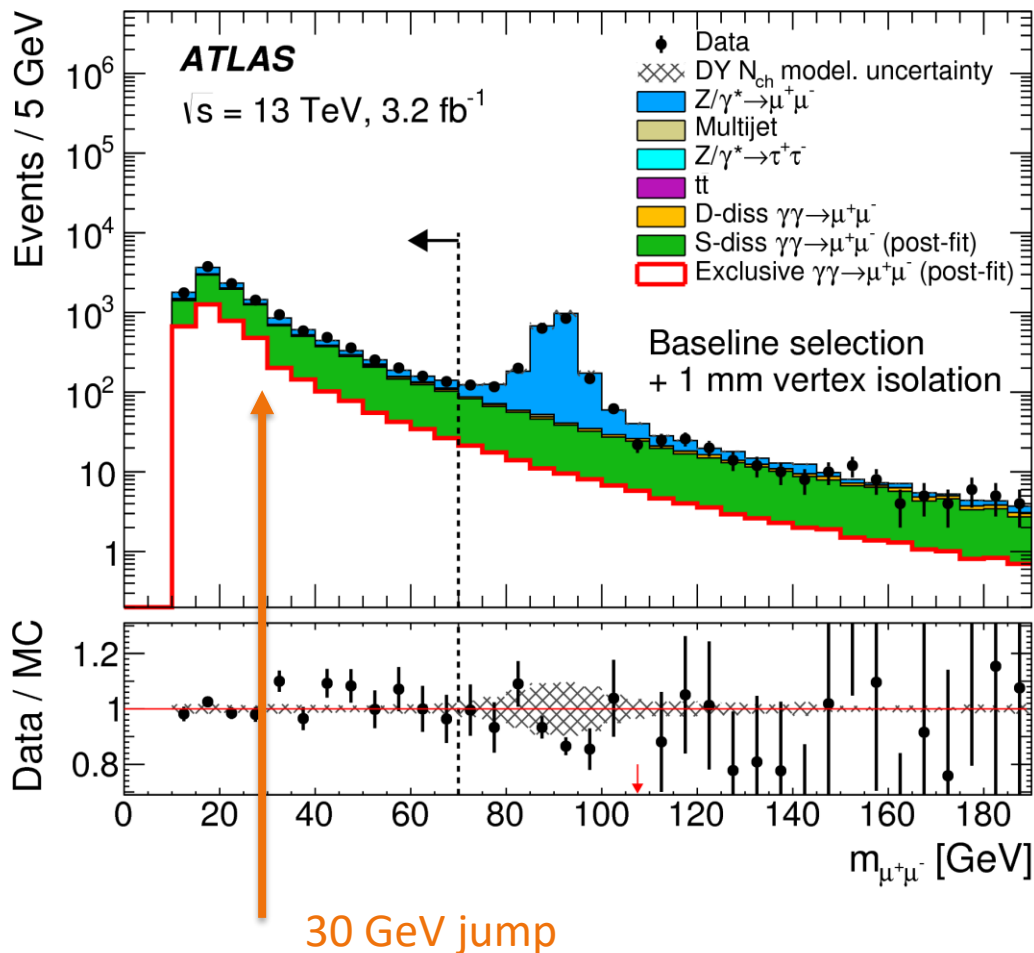
41% of bkg single-dissociation remains

Exclusive $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ @ 13 TeV

Baseline selection: 3M candidate events

2015 data, 13 TeV, 3.2 fb⁻¹

2 kinematical selections merged into one fiducial region (two triggers)



- $p_T(\mu) > 6 \text{ GeV}$
 $\rightarrow 12 < m_{\mu\mu} < 30 \text{ GeV}$

- $p_T(\mu) > 10 \text{ GeV}$
 $\rightarrow m_{\mu\mu} > 30 \text{ GeV}$

- $|\eta(\mu)| < 2.4$

- standard muon track quality and isolation requirements applied;

Common **di-muon vertex** reconstructed
 \rightarrow both muons have to satisfy:

$|z_0| * \sin\theta < 0.5 \text{ mm}$
 wrt the dimuon vertex
 15k candidate events

Exclusive $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ @ 13 TeV

Exclusive selection: 12k candidate events

- remove event if there is a track:

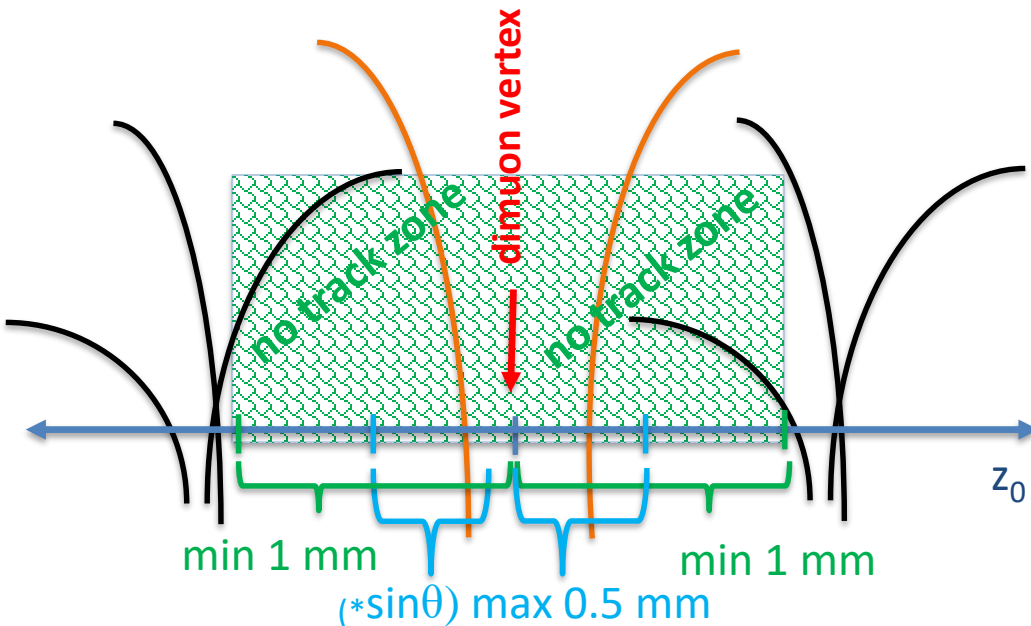
$$p_T > 400 \text{ MeV}$$

$$|\eta| < 2.5$$

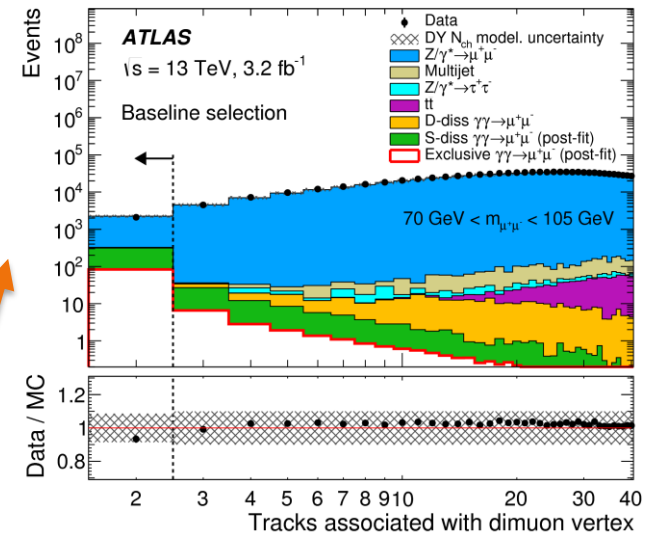
$$|z_0^{\text{trk}}| < 1 \text{ mm} \text{ - wrt the muon vertex}$$

- $m_{\mu\mu} < 70 \text{ GeV}$

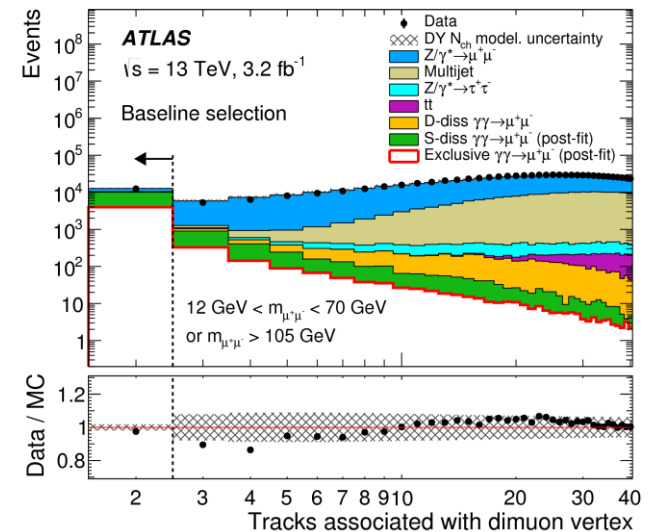
DY modeling overestimates the track spectrum
correction applied based on control region data



DY control region



signal region

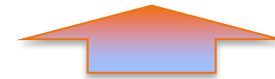
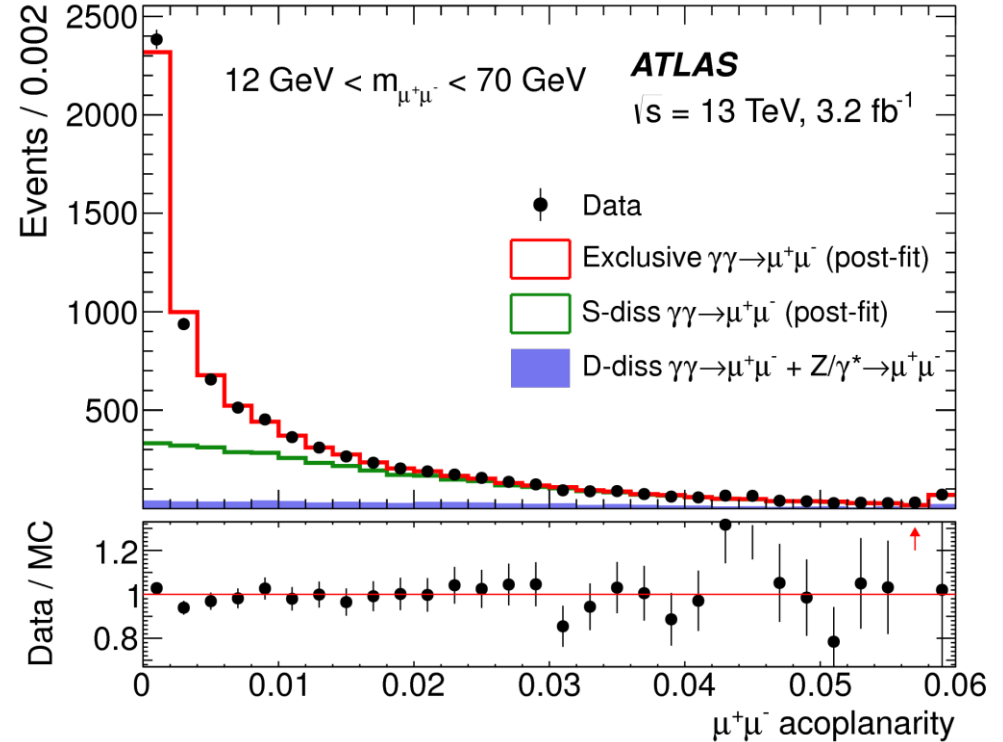
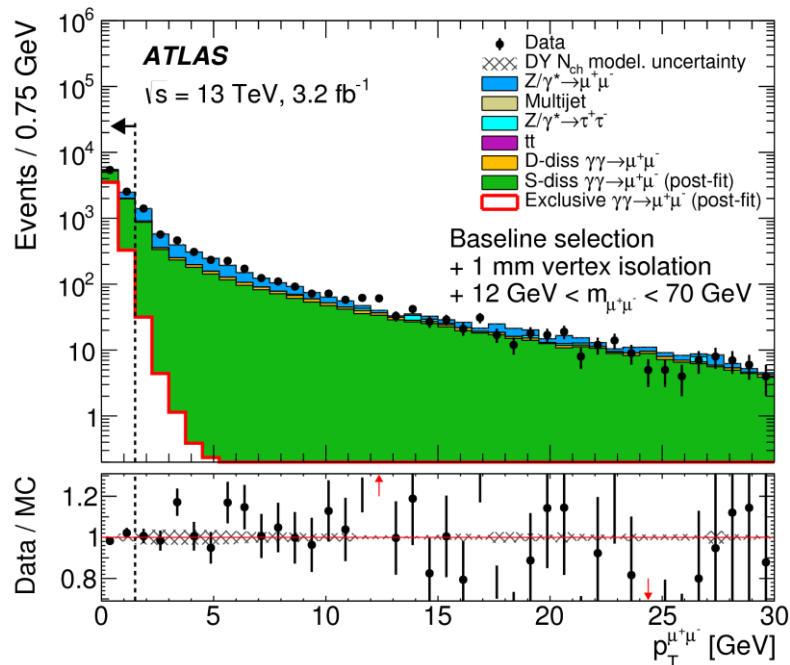


Exclusive $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ @ 13 TeV

Exclusive selection:

12k candidate events

- signal signature: back-to-back in transverse space
 $\rightarrow p_T^{\mu\mu} < 1.5 \text{ GeV}$



Acoplanarity: $1 - |\Delta\phi_{\mu\mu}|/\pi$
 - used for binned max-log-likelihood fit
 - Double-dissociation and DY fixed

(data corrected bin-by-bin)

Exclusive $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ @ 13 TeV - results

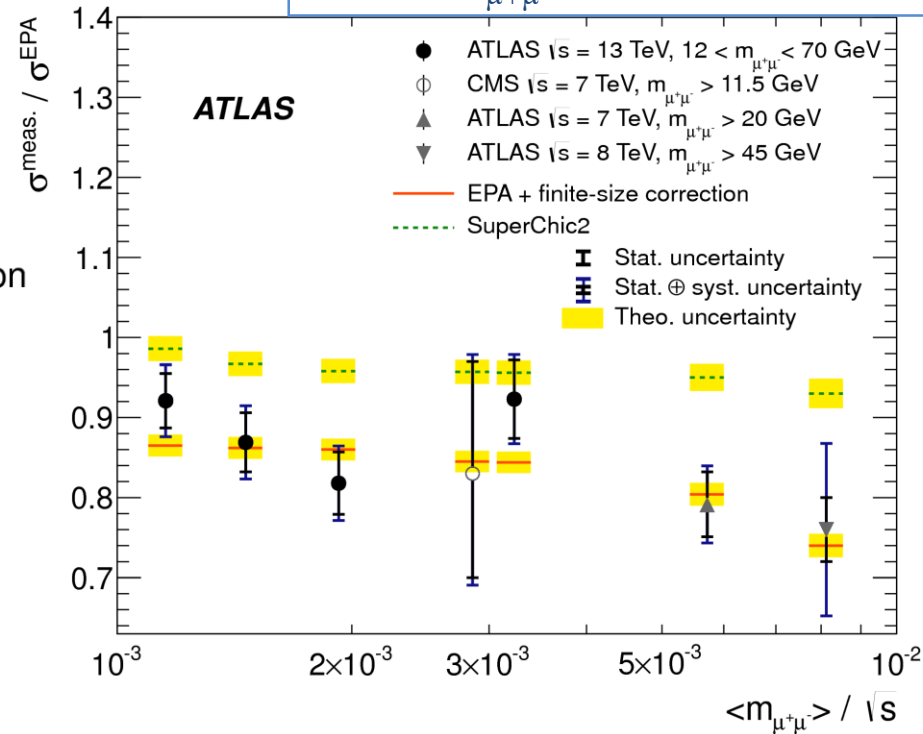
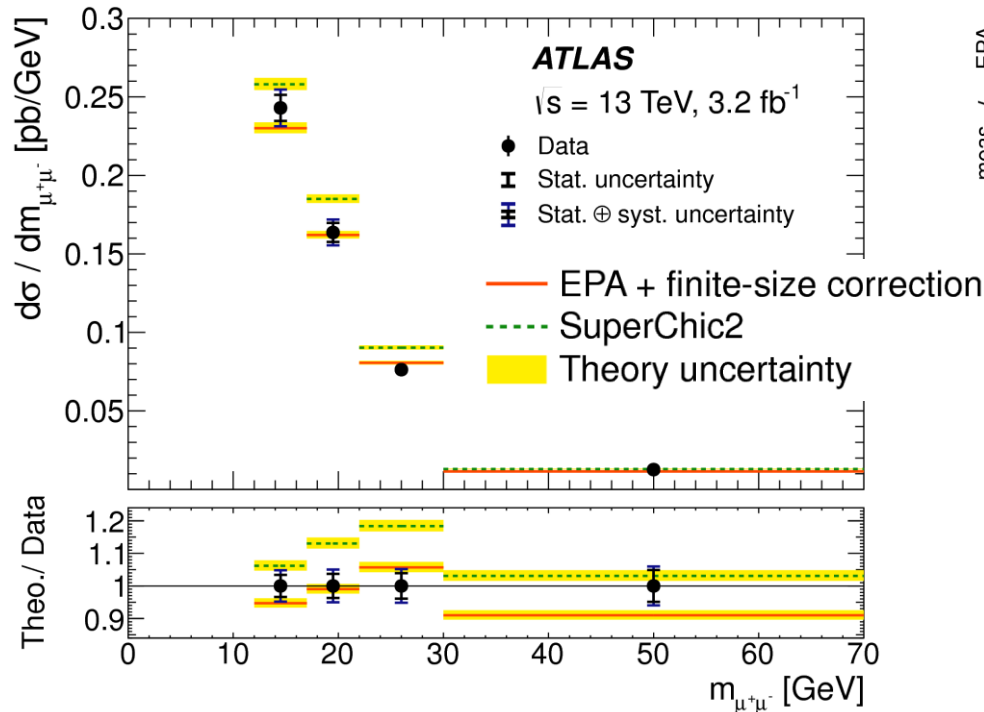
Integrated fiducial cross section

measured: $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-} = 3.12 \pm 0.07$ (stat) ± 0.10 (syst) pb ($\sim 4\%$)

EPA + corr. $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-} = 3.06 \pm 0.05$ pb

SuperChic2 $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-} = 3.45 \pm 0.05$ pb

$x =$ fractional energy of photon
 $\langle x \rangle \approx \langle m_{\mu^+\mu^-} \rangle / \sqrt{s}$



- Finite-size parametrization describes data
- SuperChic2 overestimates data by 10-20%

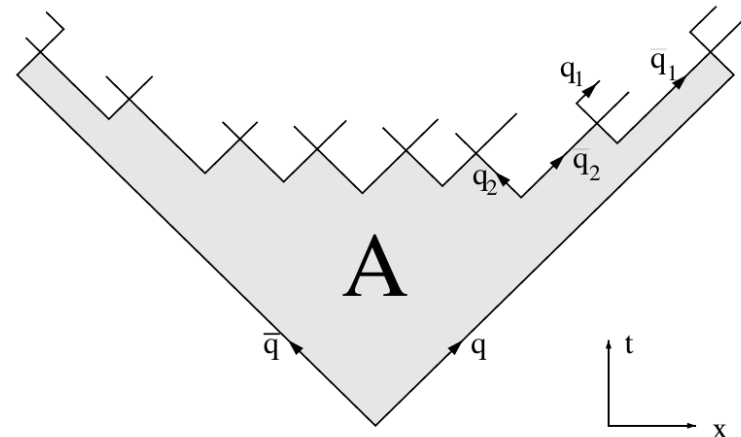
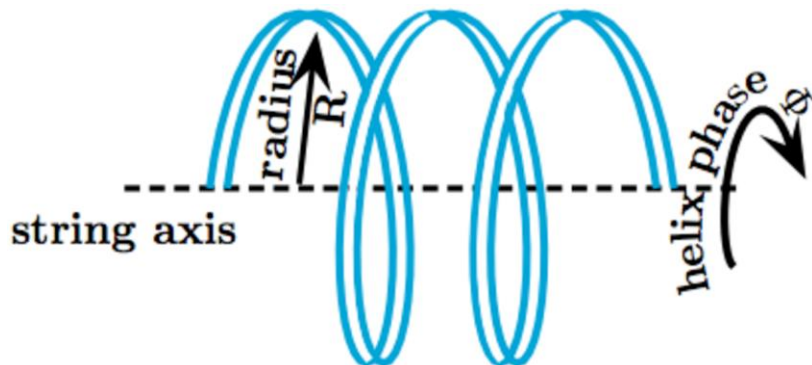
- Survival factor = data/bare EPA ≈ 80 -90%
- Does exhibit mass dependency

Correlations in ordered hadron chains @ 7 TeV

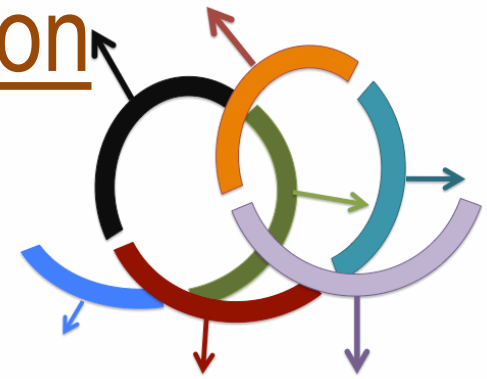
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Ordered hadron chains - motivation

- How are the early stages of hadronization?
- Is there screwiness at the end of the QCD cascades?
 - B. Andersson et al., JHEP 9809 (1998) 014
 - “emission of soft gluons is constrained to produce an ordered field in the form of a helix”
 - e.g. meant as a modification of Lund string fragmentation model
 - collinear gluon emissions are absent
- Quantization of the helix string
 - S. Todorova-Nova, Phys. Rev. D 89 (2014) 015002
 - string of tension κ (~ 1 GeV/fm) is described by radius R and phase ϕ



Quantized helical string fragmentation

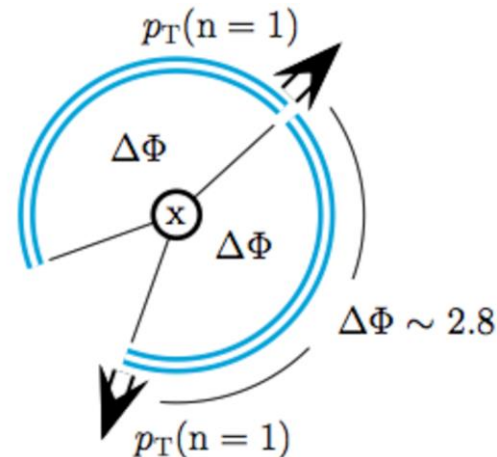
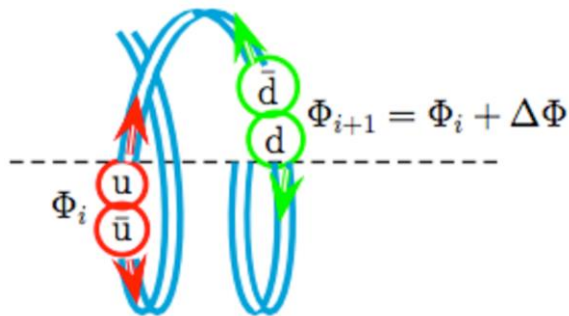


- String quantization assumed in transverse coordinate
 $R \phi \Rightarrow n R \Delta\phi \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$
- Mass spectrum of light mesons (π, η, η') fit
 \rightarrow string breaks at regular $\Delta\phi$ intervals, $\kappa R = 68 \pm 2 \text{ MeV}$

$n = 1$ for pions \rightarrow $\Delta\phi = 2.82 + 0.06$ ← almost back-to-back!
 (analysis focus on „ground state pions“ – lack of particle identification)

- Model predicts: minimal momentum difference Q for adjacent hadrons!
 \rightarrow minimal mass of n hadron chain

$$Q = \sqrt{-(p_i - p_j)^2}$$



Quantized helical string fragmentation

Pair rank difference	1	2	3	4	5
Q expected [MeV]	266 ± 8	91 ± 3	236 ± 7	171 ± 5	178 ± 5

Phys. Rev. D 89 (2014) 015002

- Hadron pairs are ordered along the string (ranking)

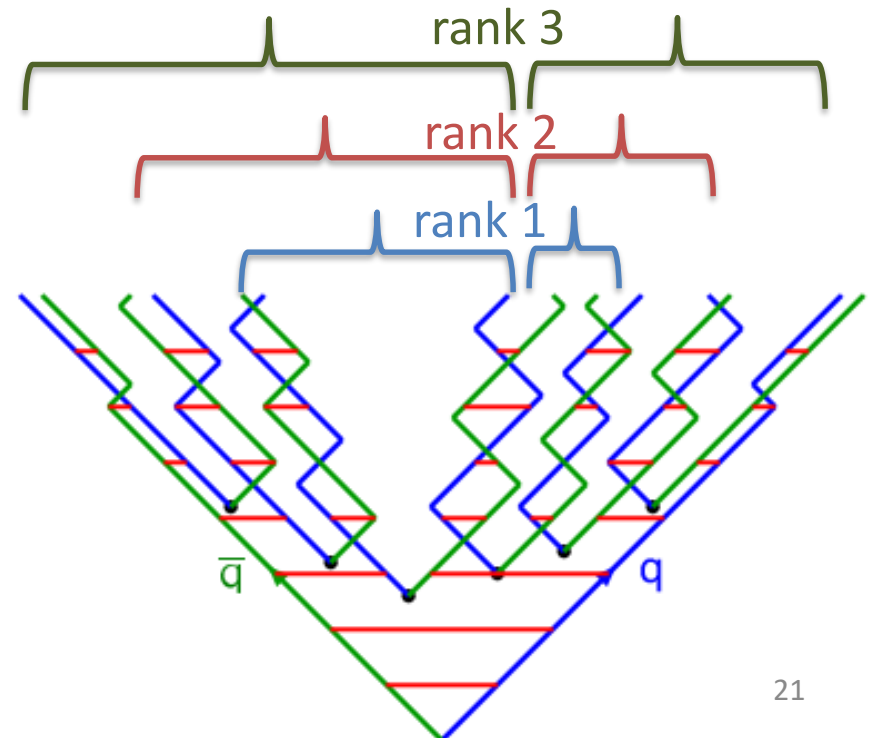
- Local charge conservation

→ rank 1 pairs always + -

→ rank 2 pairs always + + or - -

- Helicity conservation

→ momentum difference constrained



Ordered hadron chains - strategy

- Two-particle correlation function of 4-momentum difference Q

$$Q = \sqrt{-(p_i - p_j)^2}$$

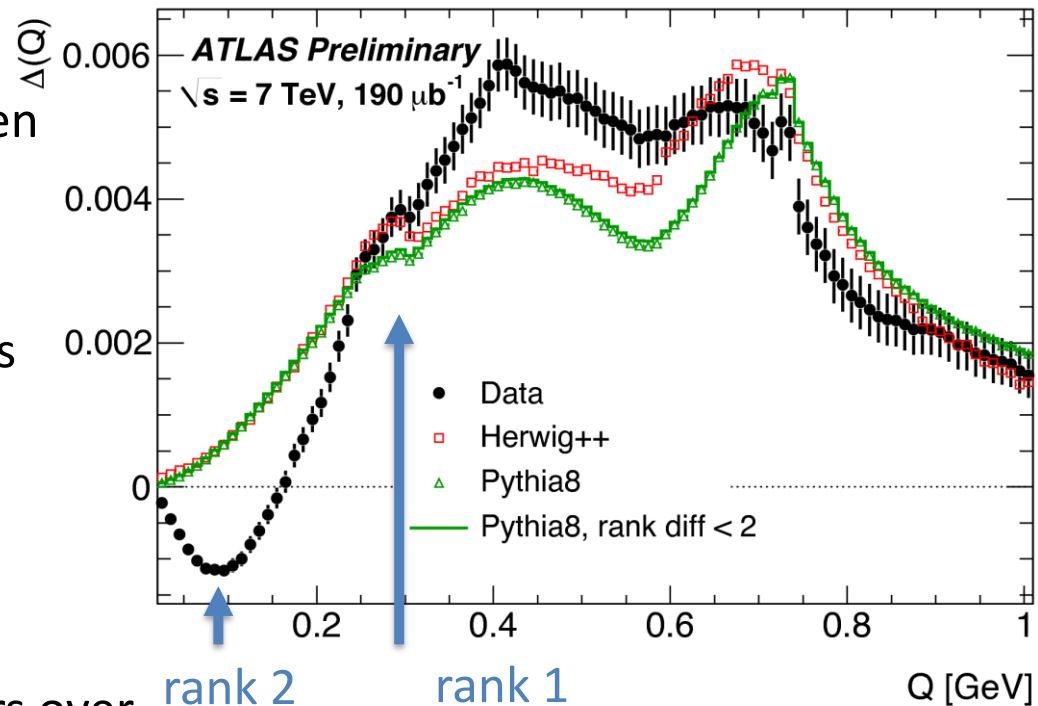
showing the average difference between opposite- and same-sign hadron pairs

Subtraction (instead of ratio) eliminates the combinatorial background (distant pairs mostly $\Delta(Q) \sim 0$)

Full-event MC do not even indicate the enhanced production of same-sign pairs over the opposite-sign pairs at low Q (< 200 MeV)

Well, rank is not known – what to do?

$$\Delta(Q) = \frac{1}{N_{ch}} (N(Q)^{+-} - N(Q)^{++/--})$$



nicely confirmed qualitative predictions for rank 1 and 2 hadron pairs

Ordered hadron chains - strategy

- Novel approach: let's measure **pairs** within hadron **triplets**: $\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$ or $\pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$

triplets are designed to best correspond to the hadron chain from the same string breakup = powerful probe of the correlation between particles (ranks 1 or 2)

→ small 3h chain mass expected: $m_{3h} < 570 \pm 20 \text{ GeV}$ ($m_{nh} < n \kappa R \Delta\phi$)

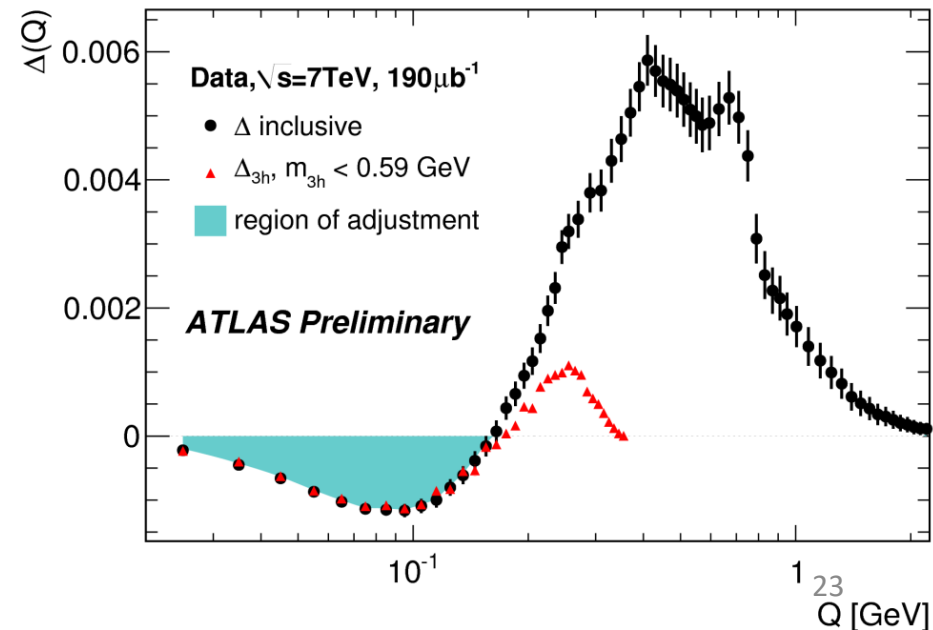
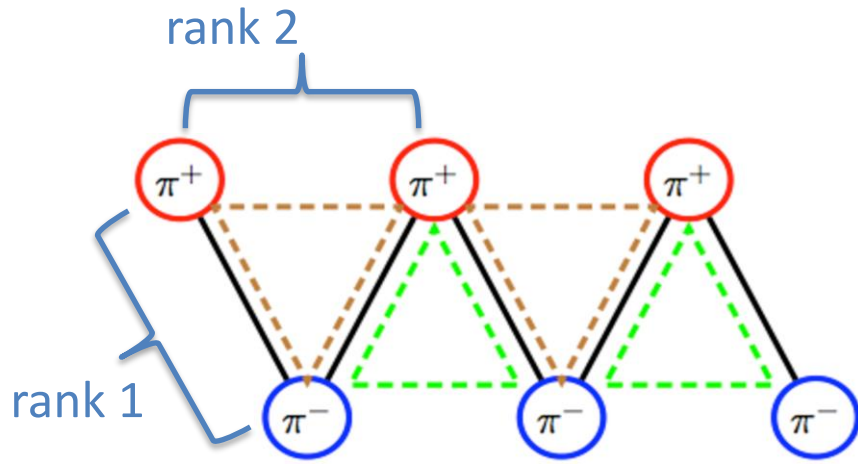
Rivet routine provided!

How much $\Delta_{3h}(Q)$ describes the inclusive $\Delta(Q)$?

- actually it **agrees fully** up to 200 MeV

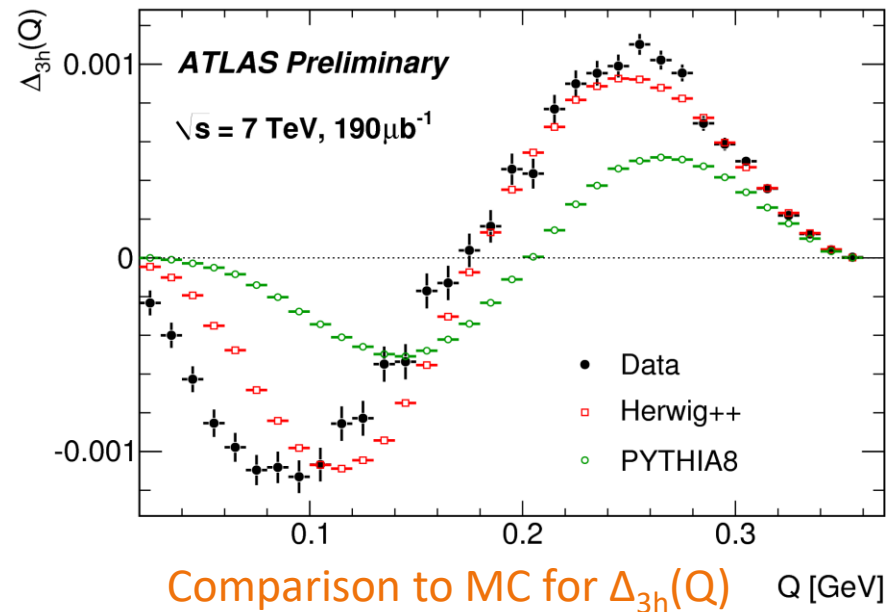
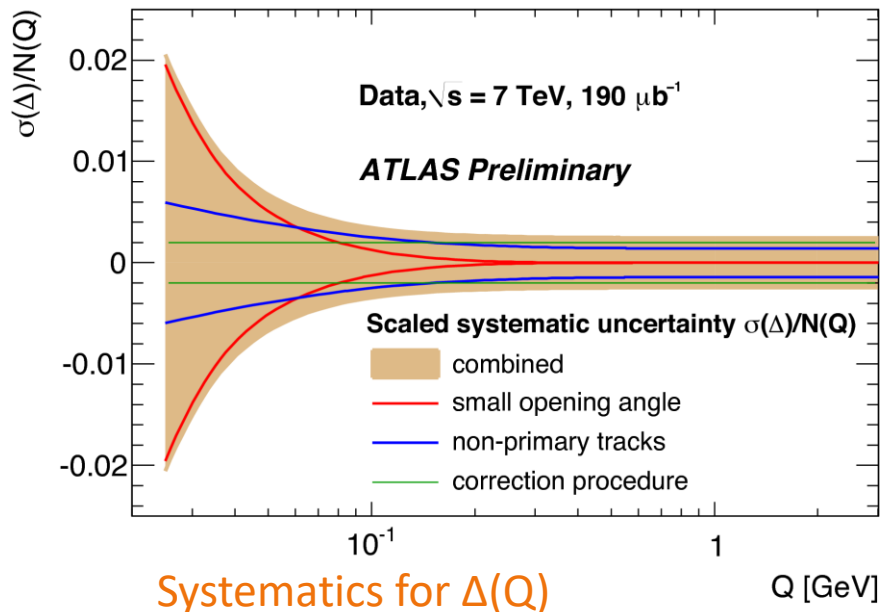
-> fitted to get the 3h chain mass limit

-> **result: $m_{3h} < 590 \text{ GeV}$**



Ordered hadron chains – measurement

- Event selection
 - 7 TeV Minimum Bias 2010 data, $7\mu\text{b}^{-1}$, low luminosity run
 - Low- p_T enhanced track selection: $p_T > 100$ MeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$, $n_{\text{ch}} > 1$
 - HBOM semi-data driven unfolding
 - Additional correction (+ systematics) for track pairs reconstructed with small opening angle (low Q)
 - MC: 86% pions, 9.5% kaons, 4% protons/antiprotons, 0.5% leptons. $\sim 2.3\%$ non-primary particles



Ordered hadron chains – results

- triplet hadron chain (3h) measurement does reproduce the observed **abundance of same-sign** hadron pairs when upper mass (m_{3h}^{cut}) of the chain is adjusted!
(by interpolation from 0.58, 0.59 and 0.60 values)

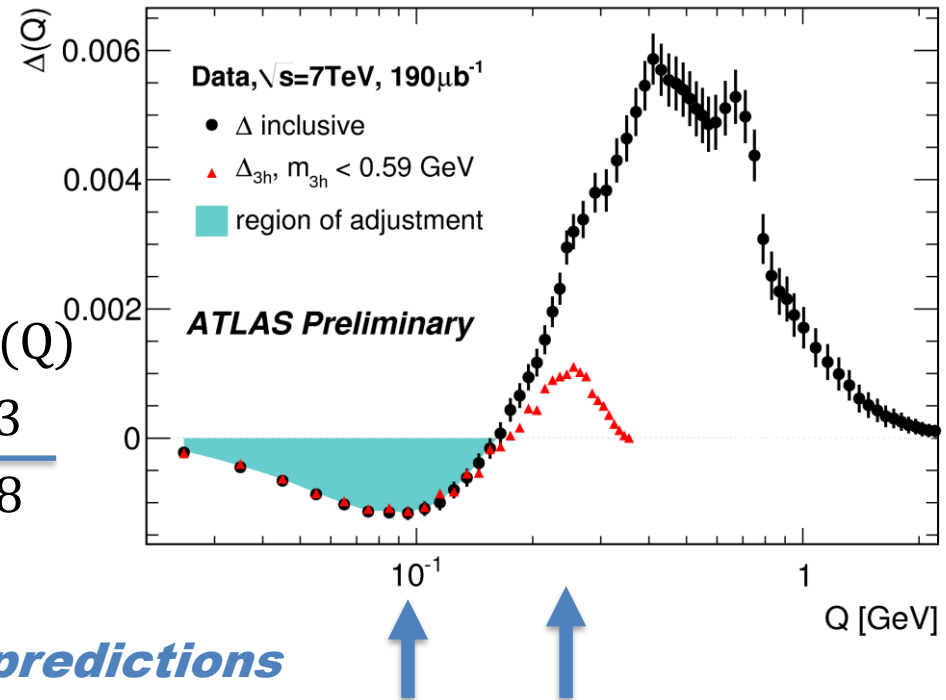
$$m_{3h}^{\text{cut}} = 591 \pm 2 \text{ (stat)} \pm 7 \text{ (syst) MeV}$$

- Double-Gaussian parametrization of $\Delta_{3h}(Q)$

$Q(++ \text{ or } --)$	$= 89.4 \pm 0.4$	91 ± 3
$Q(+ -)$	$= 255.8 \pm 0.5$	266 ± 8

measured

model predictions



Existence of these thresholds is a fundamental feature of the quantized helical model of fragmentation!

Ordered hadron chains

- New measurement connections:

“Measurement of the azimuthal ordering of charged hadrons with the ATLAS detector”

- Phys. Rev. D 86 (2012) 052005

$$S_E(\omega) = 1 + \frac{1}{N_{\text{ev event}}} \sum \frac{1}{n_{\text{ch}}} \sum_{i \neq j} \cos(\omega \Delta X_{ij} - \Delta \phi_{ij}).$$

power spectrum; hadron with azimuth ϕ and position X along the chain $X_j = 0.5E_j + \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} E_k$

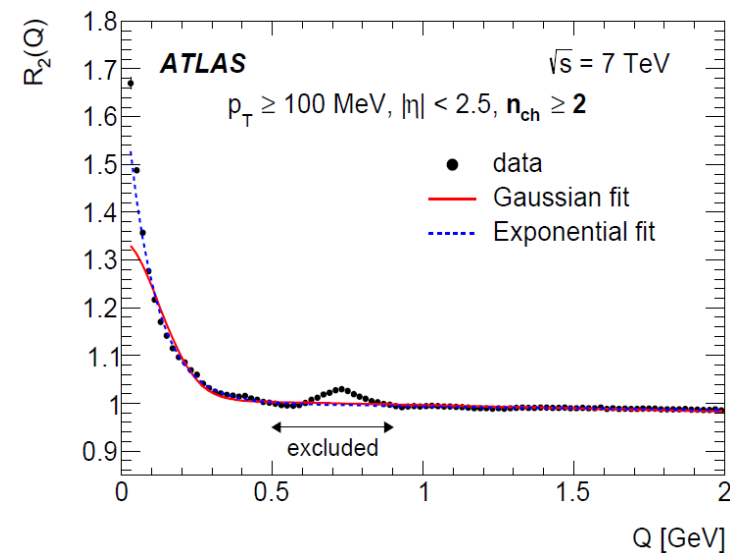
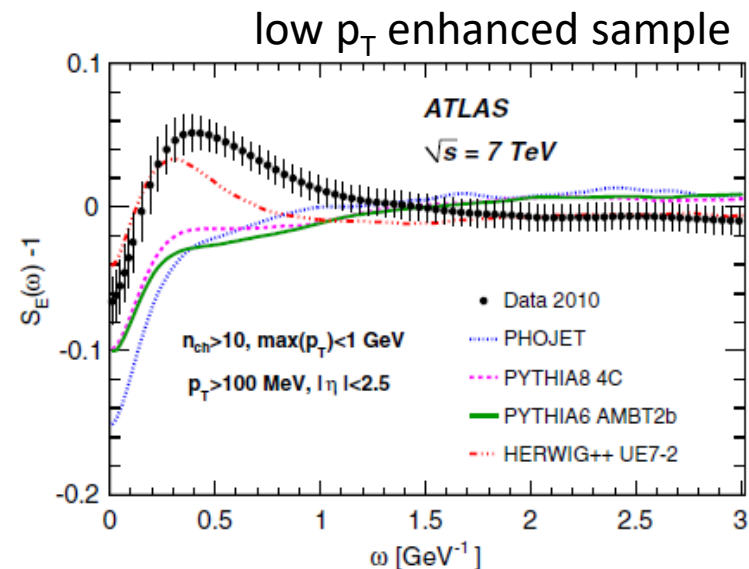
“Two-particle Bose–Einstein correlations in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 0.9$ and 7 TeV measured with the ATLAS detector”

- Eur. Phys. J. C 75 (2015) 466

- incoherence/chaoticity parametrized model

- the very same data as new measurement - compared

$$R_2(Q) = \frac{\rho(++ , --)}{\rho(++ -)} \bigg/ \frac{\rho^{MC}(++ , --)}{\rho^{MC}(++ -)}$$

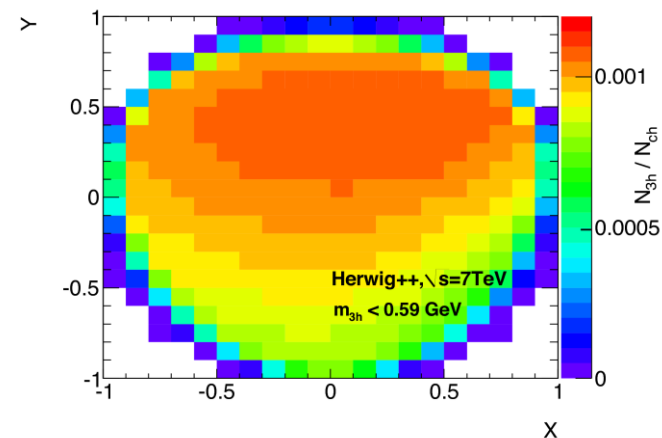
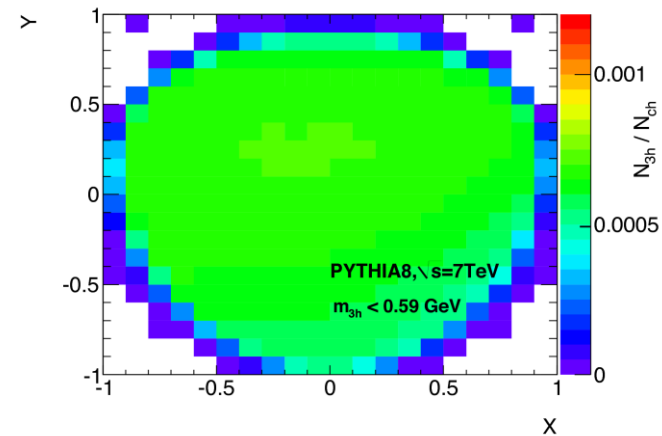
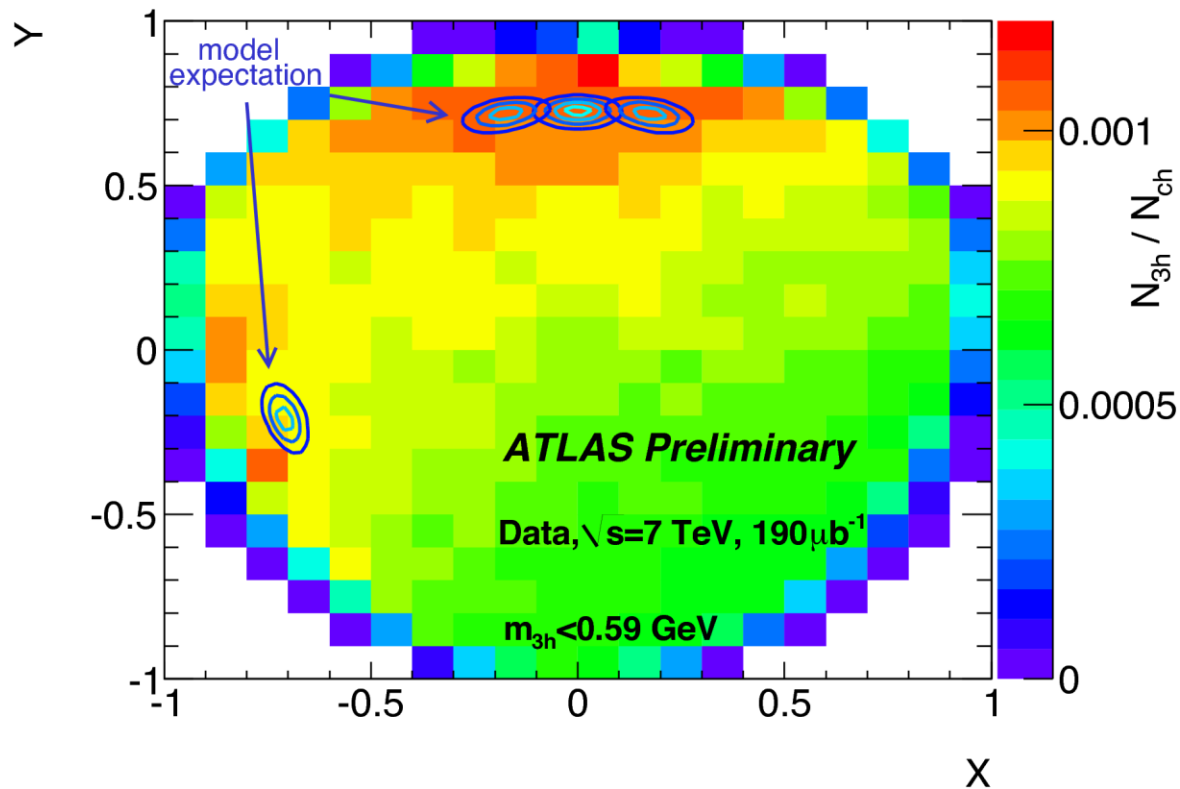


Summary

- **Track-based UE @ 13 TeV:**
 - new track-based measurement reaching lower p_T^{lead} and higher precision (1%)
 - roughly 20% increase in UE activity wrt 7 TeV
 - MC predictions within total 5% accuracy – systematic mismodeling shown
- **Exclusive $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ @ 13 TeV**
 - production cross section measured – integrated & differential in dimuon mass
 - survival through additional QCD interaction approx. 80-90%, tend to decrease with dimuon mass
- **Helical string fragmentation @ 7 TeV**
 - two-particle correlation spectra in Minimum Bias data
 - unique observation of "adjacent" hadrons – via 3h mass restriction
 - 4mom. difference: same-sign pairs at 89.7 MeV, oposite-sign pairs at 266 MeV

Back-up

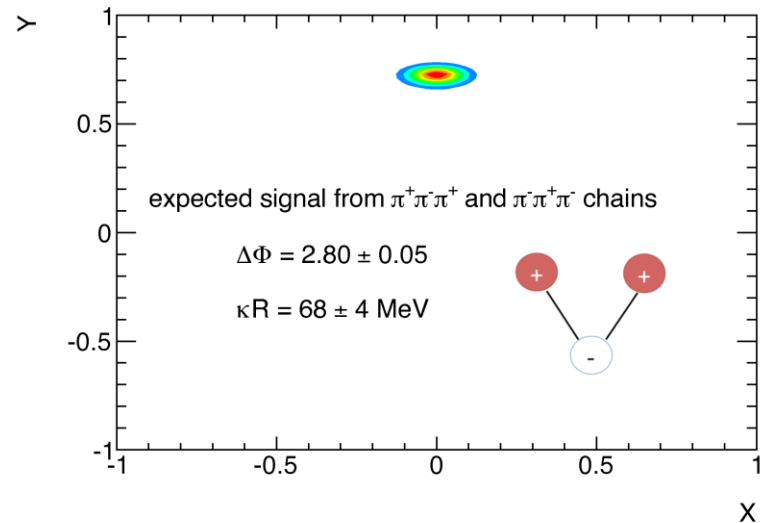
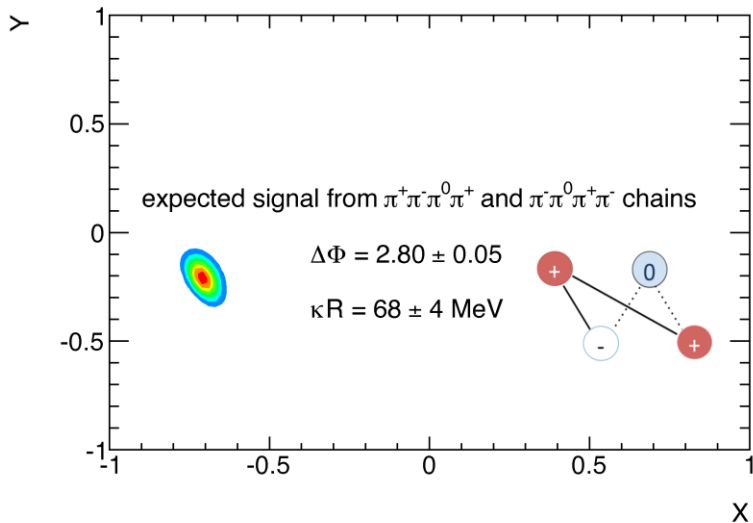
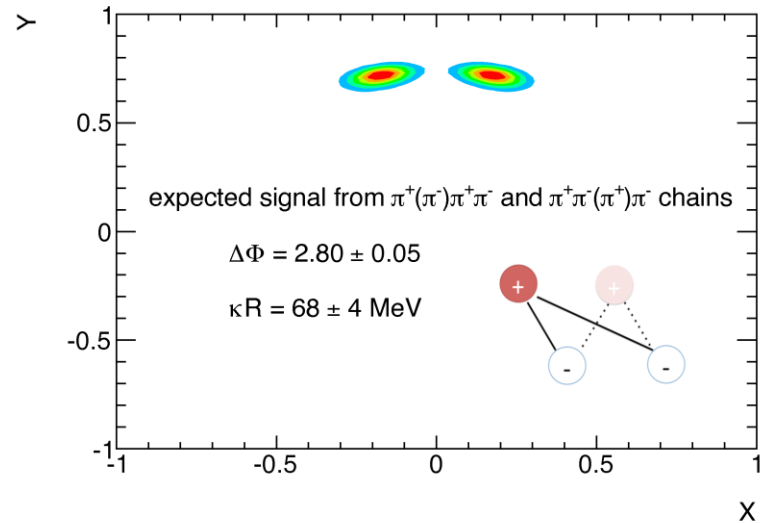
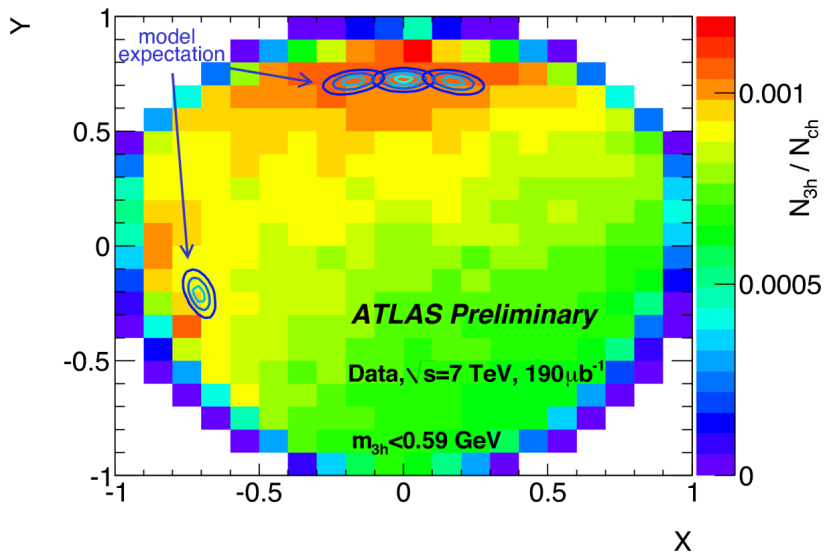
Ordered hadron chains – Dalitz plots



$$X = \sqrt{3} \frac{T_0 - T_2}{\sum_{i=0}^2 T_i}, \quad Y = \frac{3T_1}{\sum_{i=0}^2 T_i} - 1$$

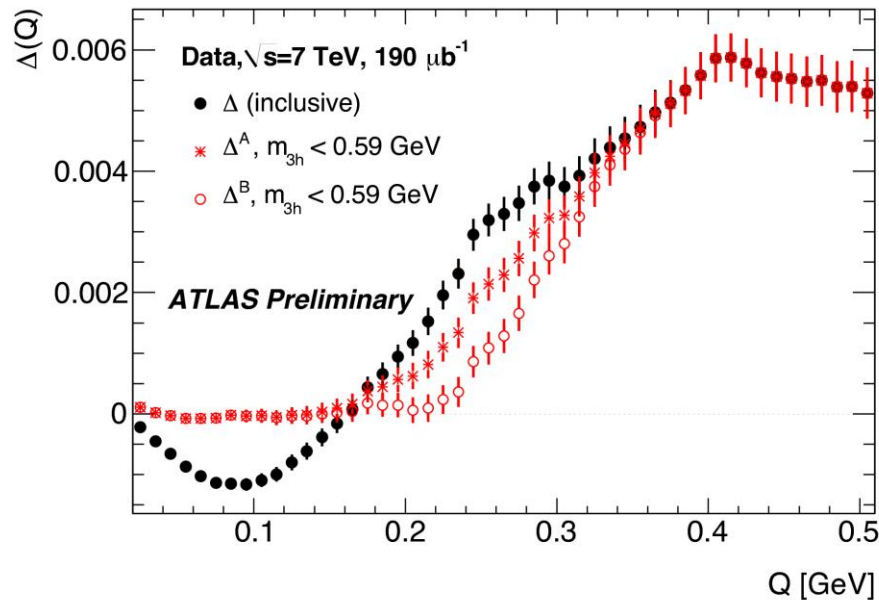
T_i = kinetic energy of i -th hadron in the 3h chain

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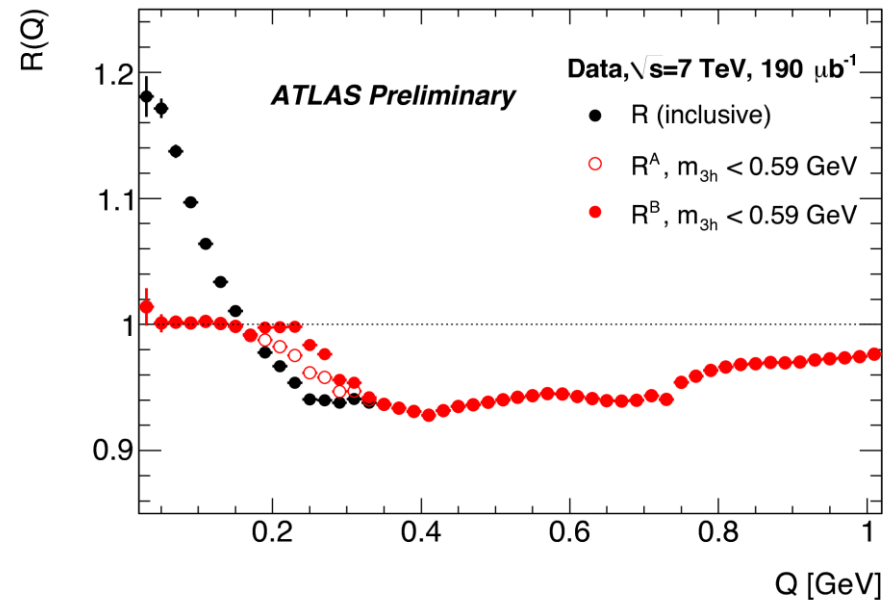
Ordered hadron chains - ratios

Identical data – two different physics interpretations



Quantized Helical sting fragmentation

- causal coherent production
- model predicts momentum thresholds



Bose-Einstein interference

- incoherent probabilistic production