

# **Measurement of $W\gamma$ and $Z\gamma$ Production at ATLAS**

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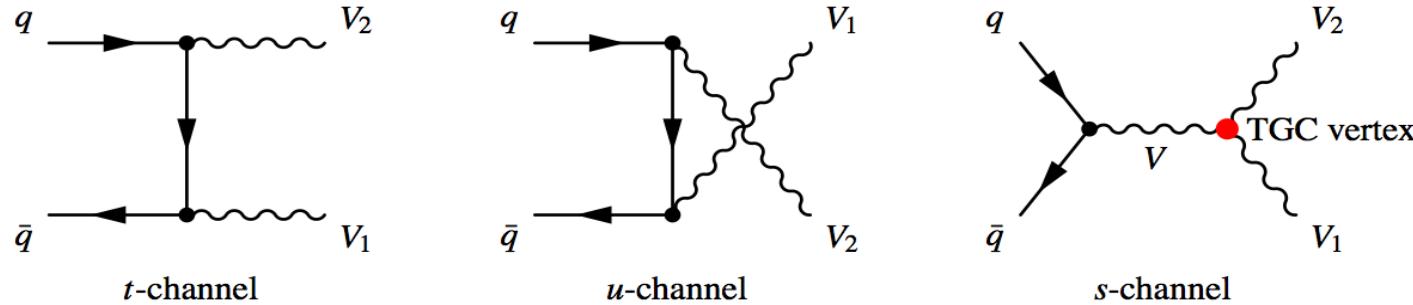
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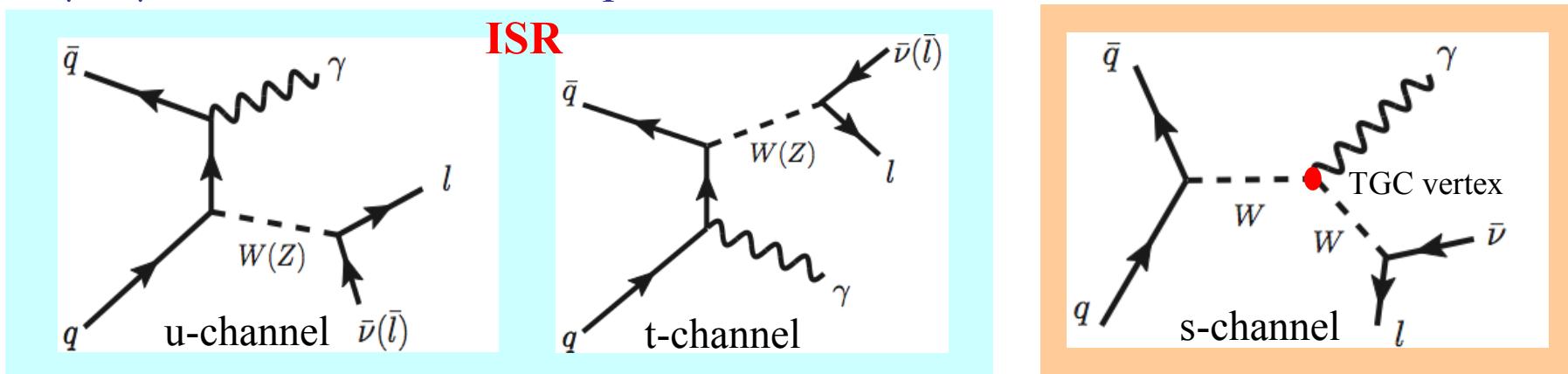


# Introduction

- At LHC di-bosons can be produced through :



- $W\gamma$ ,  $Z\gamma$  are two such di-bosons produced :



- Measurement of  $W\gamma$  and  $Z\gamma$  production provides a direct test of the Triple Gauge Boson Coupling (TGC) of the Electroweak theory
- Measure the  $WW\gamma$  vertex in the  $s$ -channel
- Probing the existence of the  $ZZ\gamma$  and  $Z\gamma\gamma$  TGC (forbidden in SM at the tree level)

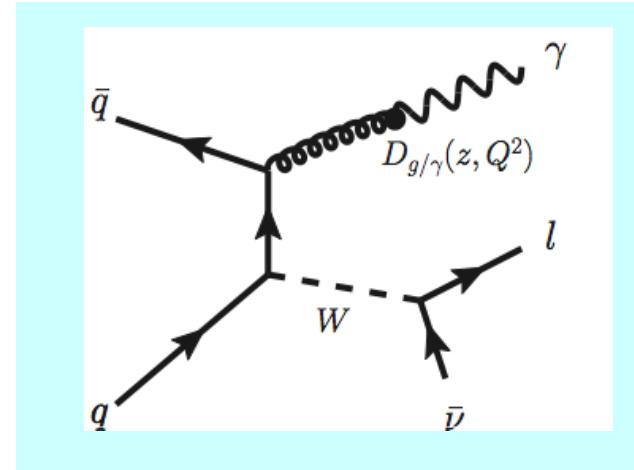
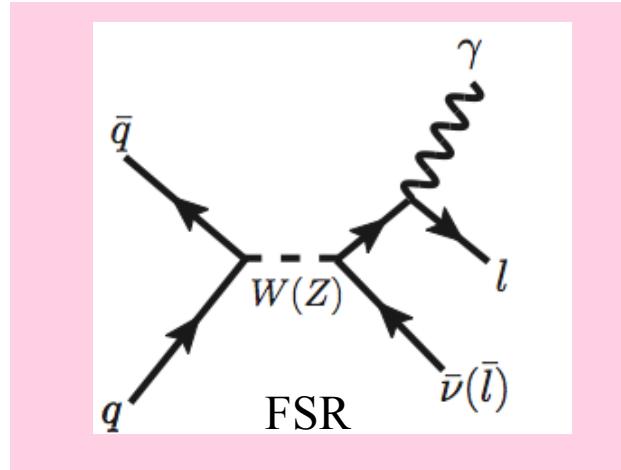
## Definition of Signal

- Measurement of  $W\gamma$ ,  $Z\gamma$  in the final state :

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \bullet W\gamma : l \nu \gamma + X \\ \bullet Z\gamma : l^+ l^- \gamma + X \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} l : e, \mu \\ \gamma : \text{is isolated} \end{array}$$

- Final state can include contributions from :

- Final State Radiation (FSR)  $\gamma$  from inclusive  $W(Z)$  production
- Photon from fragmentation of jets produced in association with  $W$  or  $Z$  boson

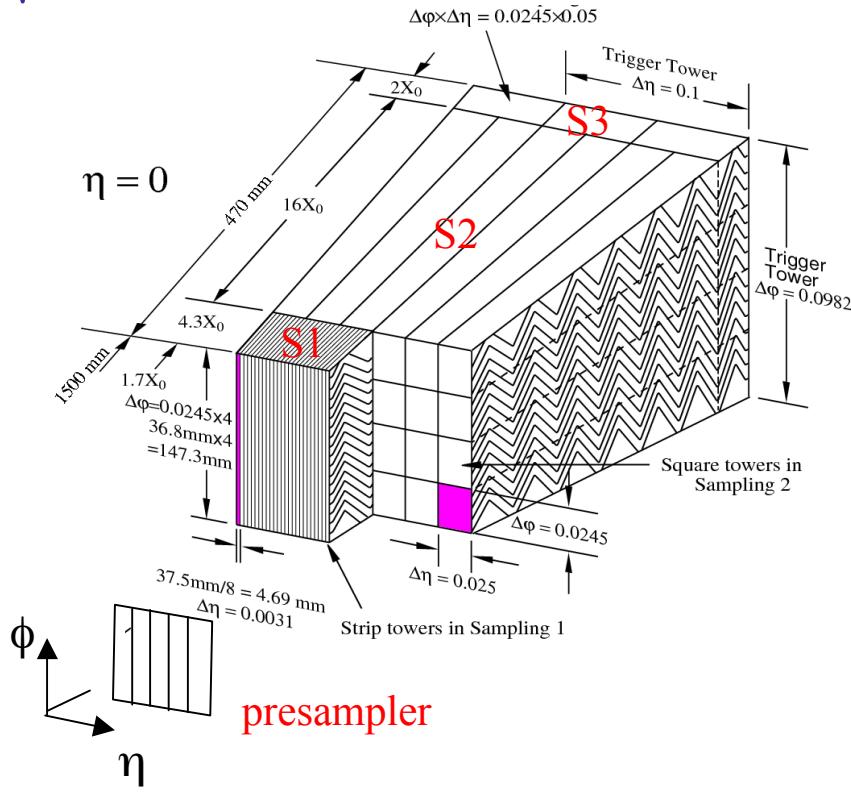


- Phase space of production measurement :

- $E_T^\gamma > 15 \text{ GeV}$
- $dR(l, \gamma) > 0.7$   
(to reduce FSR contribution)
- $M(l^+ l^-) > 40 \text{ GeV}$  (for  $Z\gamma$ )
- particle level isolation :  $\sum_{\Delta R < 0.4} E_T^{had} < 0.5 \times E_T^\gamma$

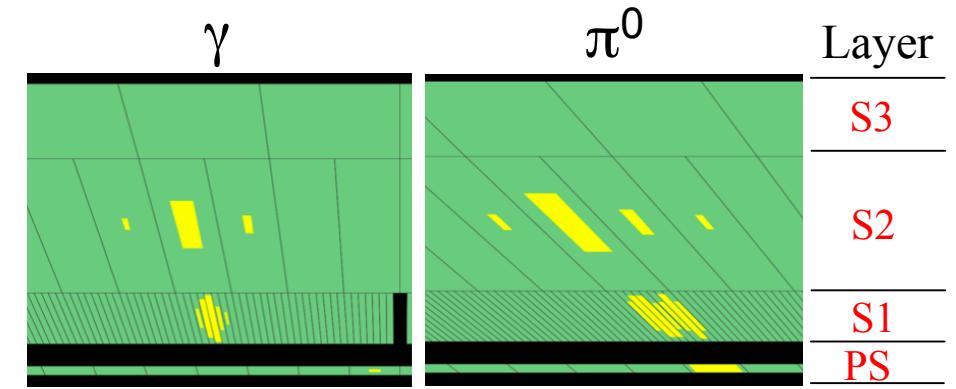
# Photon Identification

- $\gamma$  identified in ATLAS LAr calorimeter

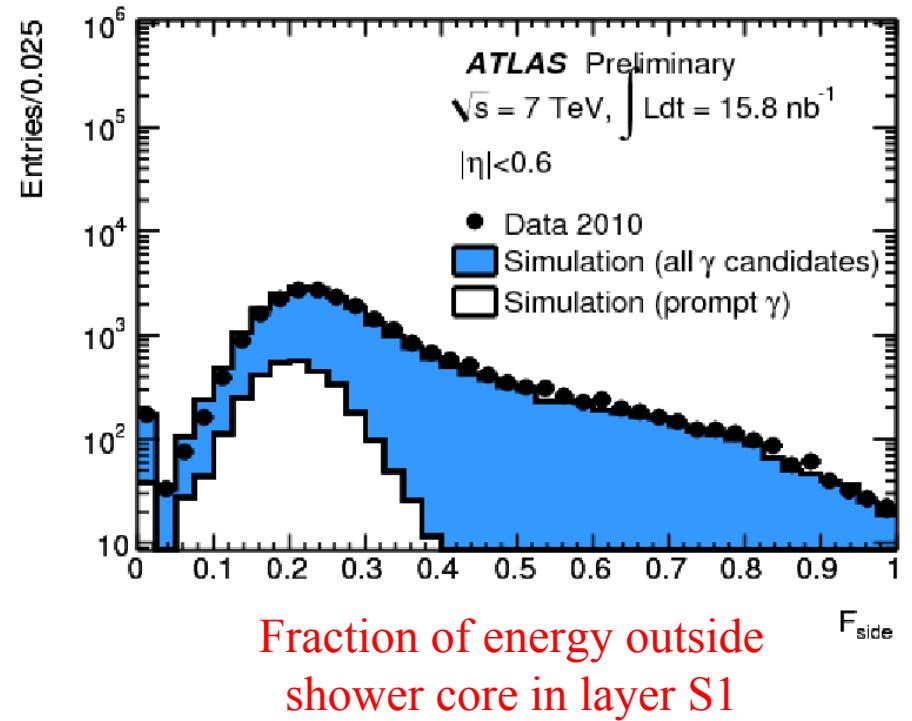


## $\gamma$ Reconstruction :

- Narrow energy cluster, require no/small energy leakage into hadronic calorimeter
- Cut on shower shape variables to discriminate  $\gamma$  from jets and  $\pi^0$ ,  $\eta$

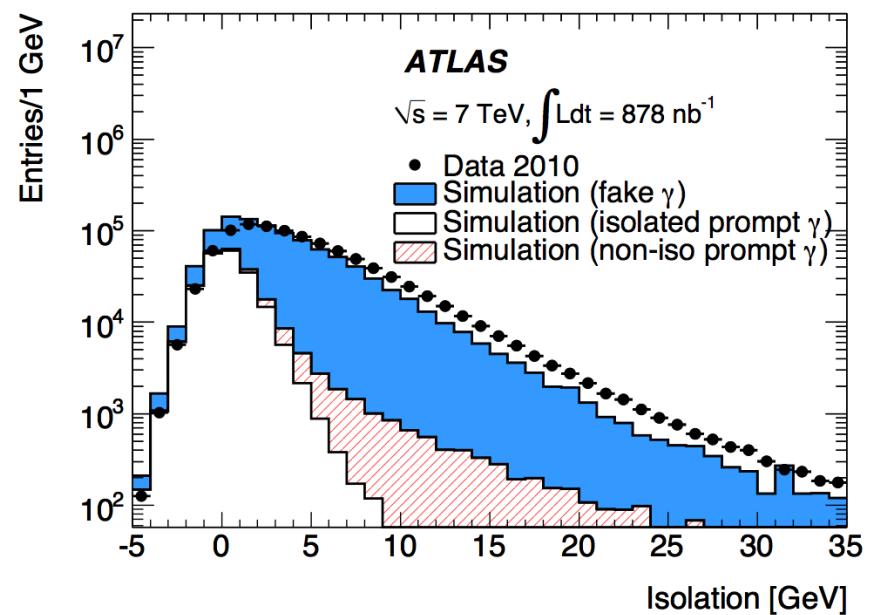
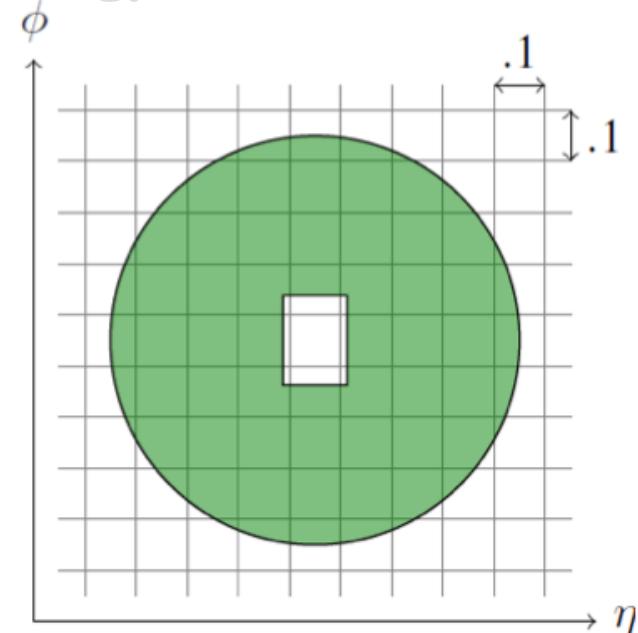


Fine granularity in S1 for  $\gamma/\pi^0$  separation



# Photon Isolation Energy

- Isolation energy is another important quantity to discriminate  $\gamma$  from jet
- Isolation : sum of transverse energy in  $\Delta R=0.4$  cone around  $\gamma$
- Exclude energy from central core
- Correction :
  - Remove energy leakage from photon energy into isolation cone
  - Remove energy deposition from pile-up and underlying event by using “jet area/median” method (Cacciari, Salam and Sapeta, JHEP 04 (2010) 065) to measure the ambient energy density
- Photon isolation energy different between direct photon and photon from fragmentation
- Isolation not well modeled by simulation



## Event Selection

- Perform measurement on data set collected in 2010 ( $L \sim 35 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ) (arXiv:1106.1592)

| $W\gamma$   | $Z\gamma$   |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One lepton, <math>p_T(e,\mu) &gt; 20 \text{ GeV}</math></li> <li>• <math> \eta_e  &lt; 2.47</math>, <math> \eta_\mu  &lt; 2.4</math></li> <li>• <math>E_T^{\text{miss}} &gt; 25 \text{ GeV}</math></li> <li>• <math>M_T(l,v) &gt; 40 \text{ GeV}</math></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 opposite charged leptons (<math>e^+e^-</math>, <math>\mu^+\mu^-</math>)</li> <li>• <math>p_T(e,\mu) &gt; 20 \text{ GeV}</math></li> <li>• <math> \eta_e  &lt; 2.47</math>, <math> \eta_\mu  &lt; 2.4</math></li> <li>• <math>M(l^+l^-) &gt; 40 \text{ GeV}</math></li> </ul> |
| Photon Selection  |   |
|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 photon, <math>E_T^\gamma &gt; 15 \text{ GeV}</math></li> <li>• <math> \eta_\gamma  &lt; 2.37</math></li> <li>• <math>dR(e/\mu, \gamma) &gt; 0.7</math></li> <li>• Isolation : <math>E_T^{\text{iso}} &lt; 5 \text{ GeV}</math></li> </ul>                                    |

### Identification Efficiency:

- $e$  :  $\sim 73\%$  (tight),  $\sim 90\%$  (medium)
- $\mu$  :  $\sim 88\%$
- $\gamma$  :  $\sim 70\%$

### Number of Selected Candidate Events

|           | $e$ | $\mu$ |
|-----------|-----|-------|
| $W\gamma$ | 95  | 97    |
| $Z\gamma$ | 25  | 23    |

# Background Estimation

- Main sources of background:

**W $\gamma$**  :

- W+jets \*
- W $\rightarrow\tau\nu$
- Z $\rightarrow ll$
- ttbar
- negligible contribution from QCD multi-jet, WW, single-top

**Z $\gamma$**  :

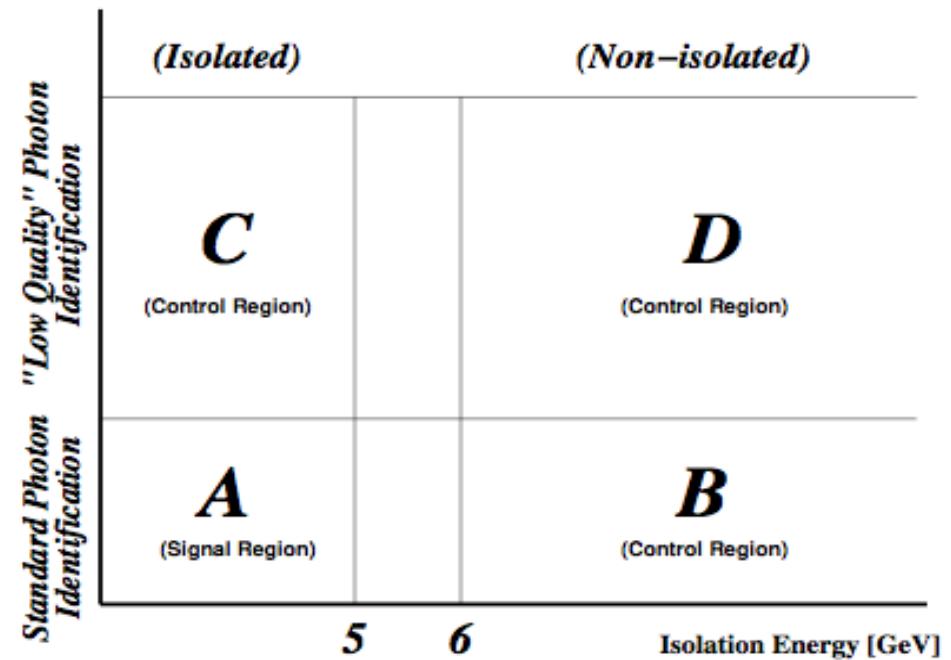
- Z+jets \*
- Z $\rightarrow\tau\tau$
- ttbar

\*: most dominating source, jet fakes as photon.

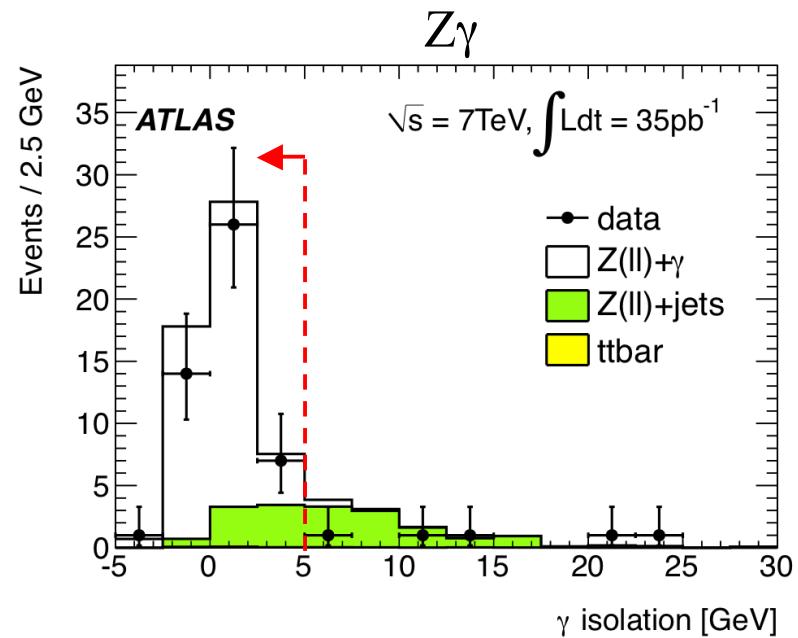
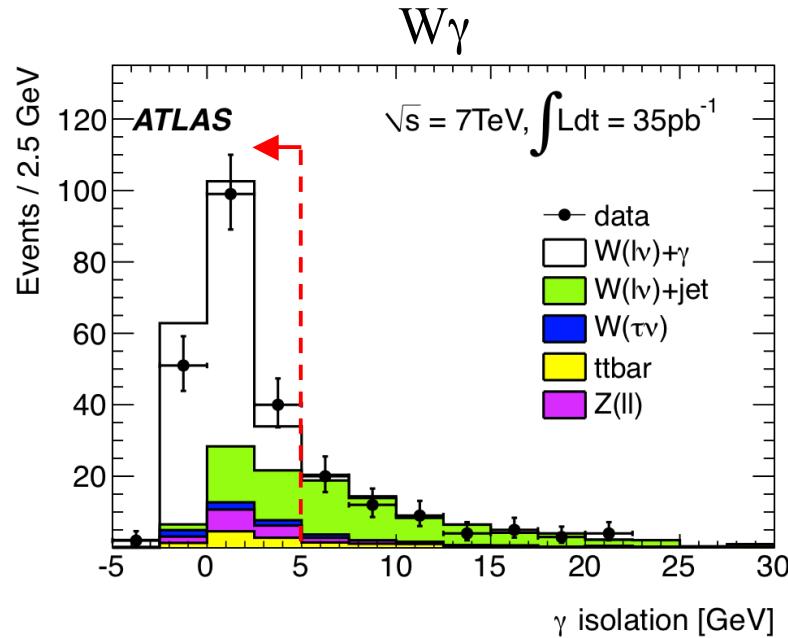
- For W $\gamma$ , estimate W+jets background from data control regions
- Assume photon identification (ID) cuts not strongly correlated to photon isolation for W+jets

$$N_A^{W+jets} = N_B \cdot \frac{N_C}{N_D}$$

(Contributions from non-W+jets backgrounds and signal leakage in control regions B,C and D are removed)



# Background Estimation



- $W+\text{jets}$  background (green) isolation shape is taken from data's "low-quality" ID control region
- Since low statistics in  $Z\gamma$  events, estimate  $Z+\text{jets}$  background based on simulation (assign large systematic uncertainty)

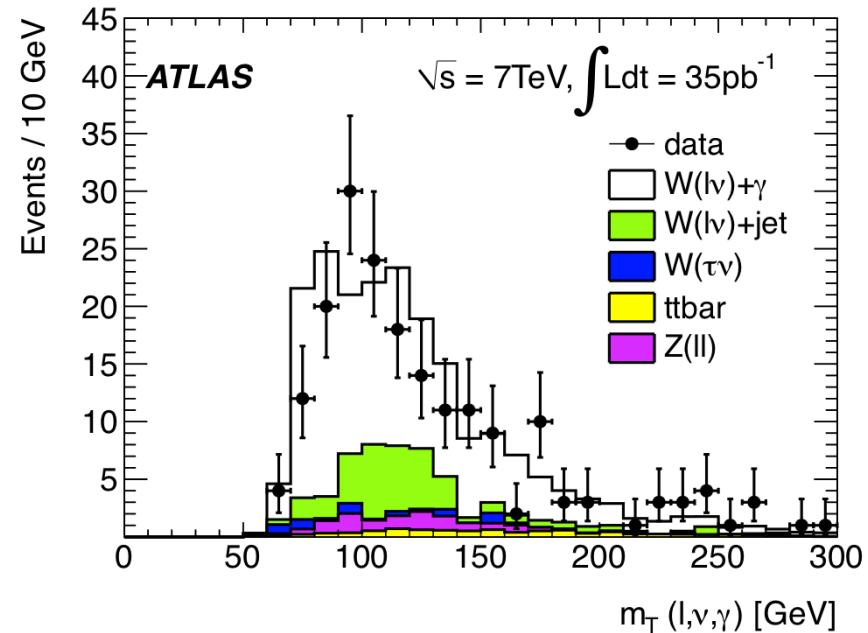
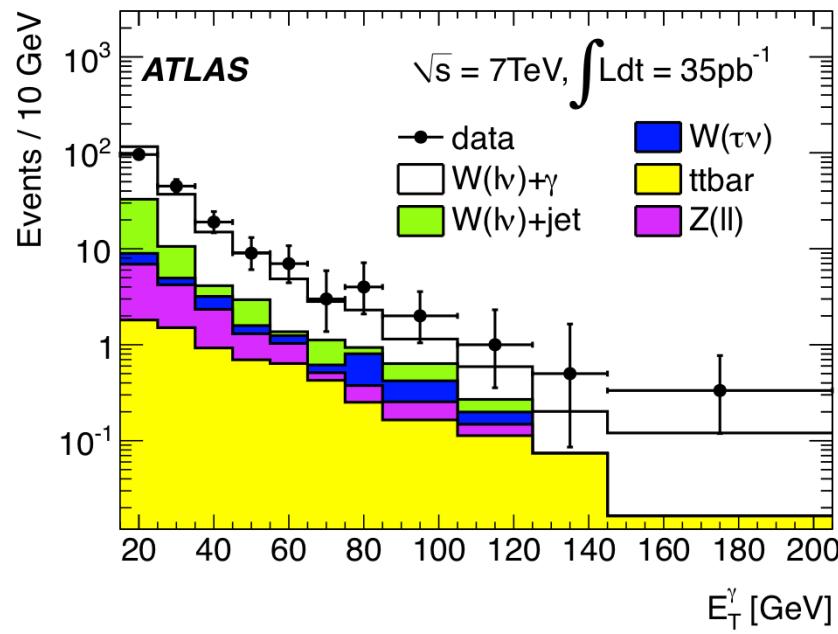
## Signal Yield

| Process   | Observed events | EW+ $t\bar{t}$ background | $W+$ jets background   | Extracted signal       |
|---|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| $N_{obs}(W\gamma \rightarrow e^\pm\nu\gamma)$   | 95              | $10.3 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.7$    | $16.9 \pm 5.3 \pm 7.3$ | $67.8 \pm 9.2 \pm 7.3$ |
| $N_{obs}(W\gamma \rightarrow \mu^\pm\nu\gamma)$ | 97              | $11.9 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.8$    | $16.9 \pm 5.3 \pm 7.4$ | $68.2 \pm 9.3 \pm 7.4$ |
| Process   | Observed events | EW+ $t\bar{t}$ background |                        | Extracted signal       |
| $N_{obs}(Z\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma)$     | 25              |                           | $3.7 \pm 3.7$          | $21.3 \pm 5.8 \pm 3.7$ |
| $N_{obs}(Z\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\gamma)$ | 23              |                           | $3.3 \pm 3.3$          | $19.7 \pm 4.8 \pm 3.3$ |

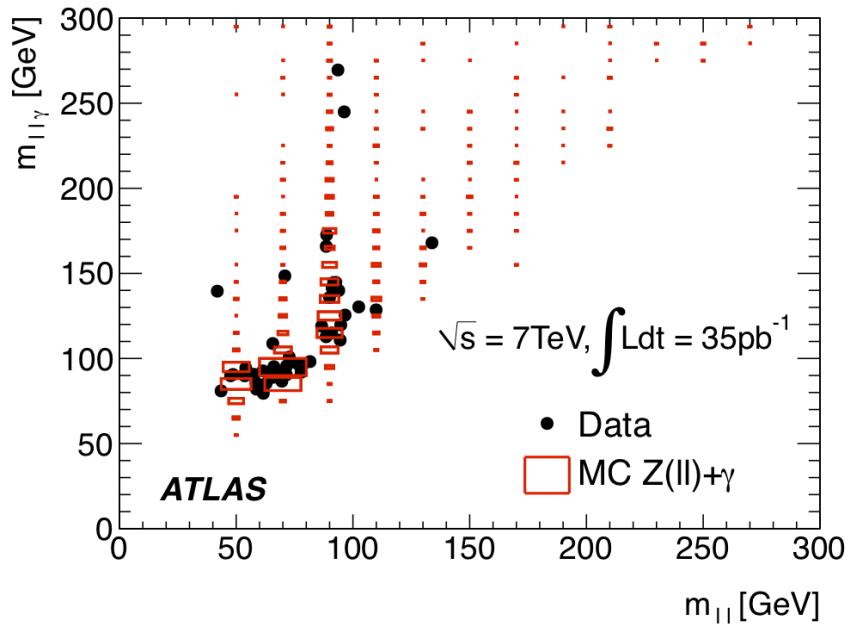
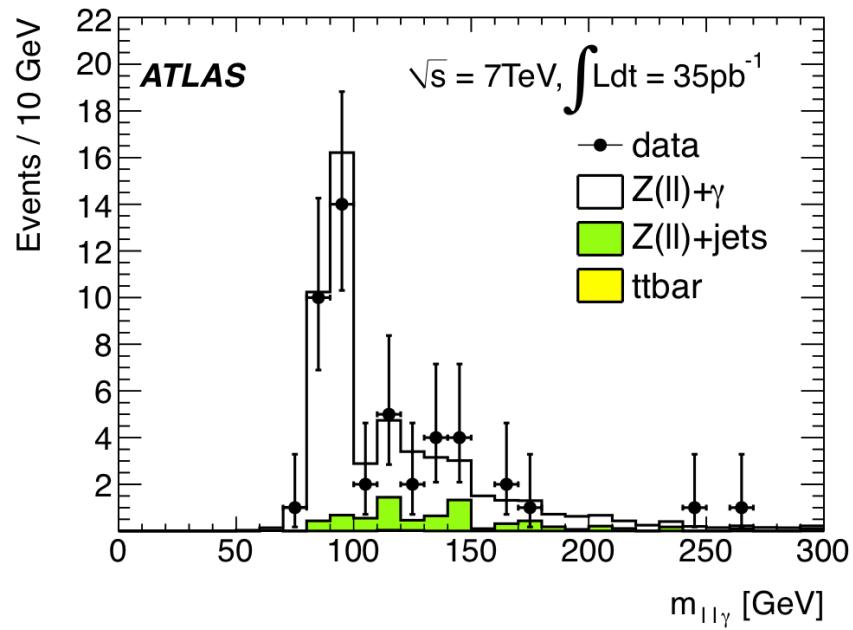
### Systematic Uncertainties on Extracted Signal:

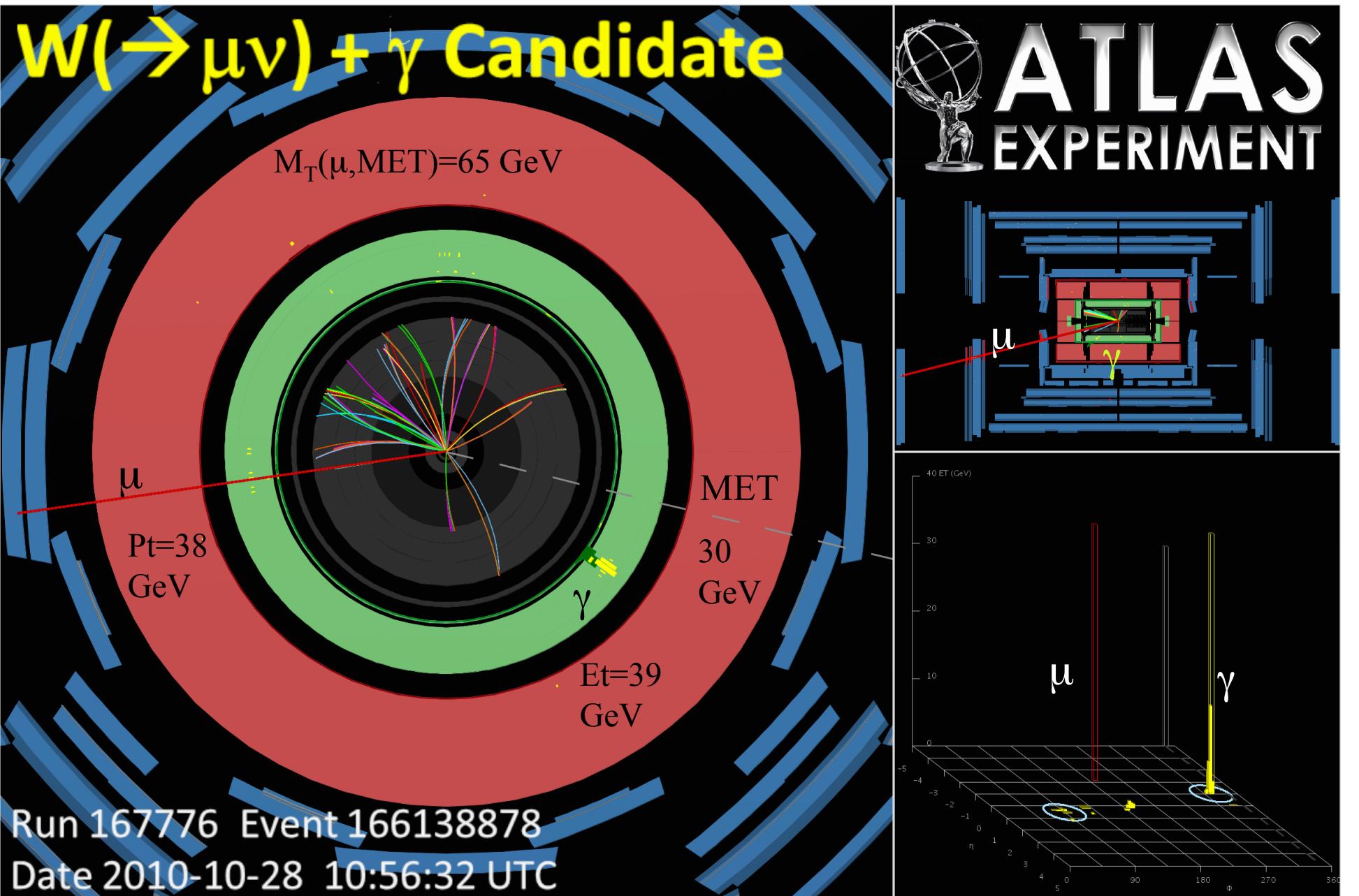
- Stability of control regions using shower shape :  $\sim 9\%$
- Stability of control regions using isolation :  $\sim 4\%$
- Modeling of signal leakage :  $\sim 3\%$
- Background correlation in control regions :  $\sim 3\%$

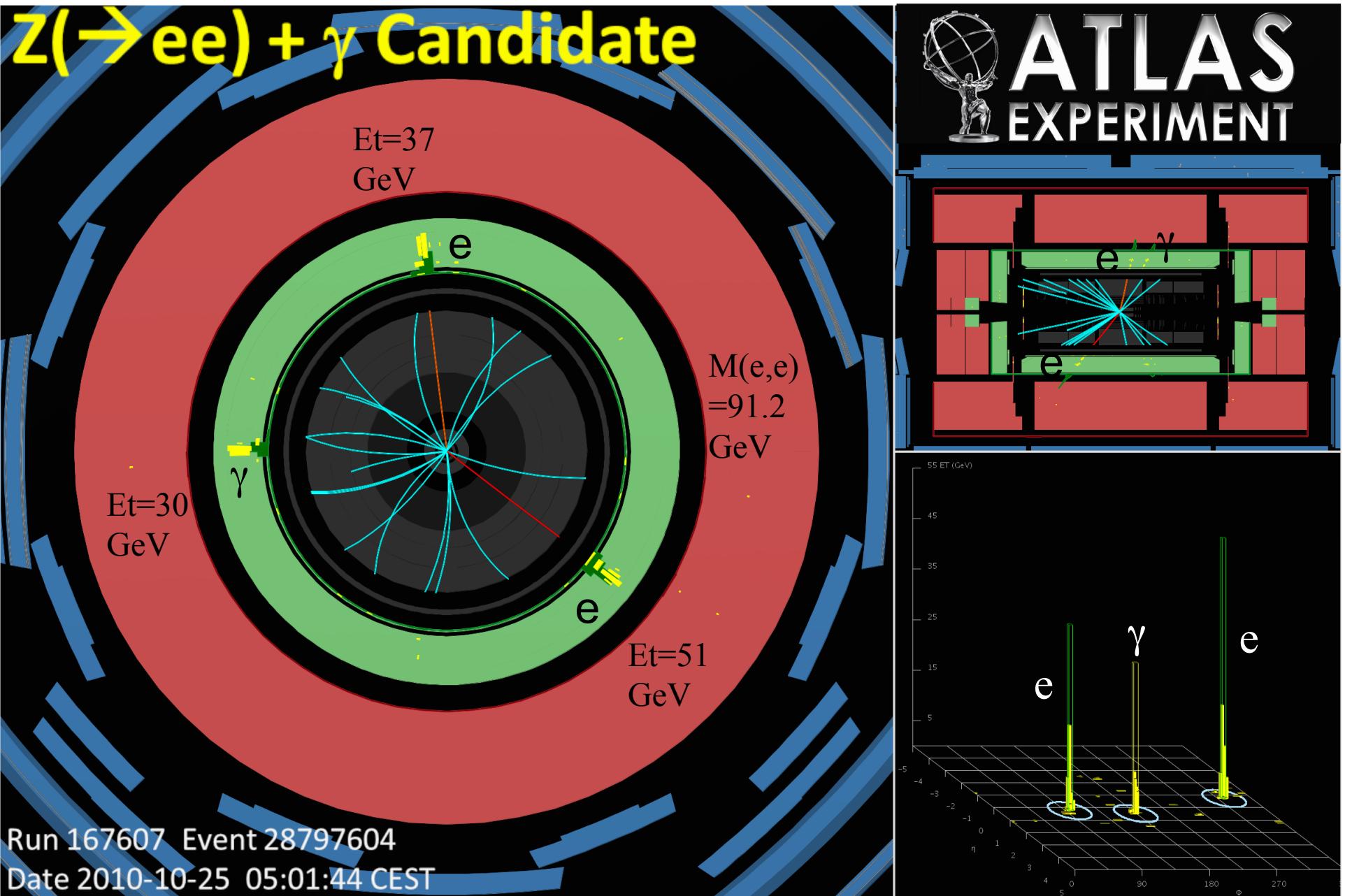
# Kinematic Distributions of Selected Events ( $W\gamma$ )



# Kinematic Distributions of Selected Events ( $Z\gamma$ )







# Cross Section Measurements

## Fiducial Cross Section:

- Performed in the phase space defined by kinematic cuts in event selection

$$\sigma_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)}^{fid} = \frac{N_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)}^{Sig}}{C_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)} \cdot L_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)}}$$

$N_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)}^{Sig}$  : Number of measured signal events

$C_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)}$  : Reconstruction and identification efficiency

## Production Cross Section:

- Extrapolate the measurement in fiducial phase space to full decay phase space of W and Z boson

$$\sigma_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)}^{prod} = \frac{\sigma_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)}^{fig}}{A_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)}}$$

$A_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)}$  : Acceptance of fiducial phase space with respect to total production phase space

- Use full simulation to calculate acceptance  $A_{W\gamma(Z\gamma)}$

# Uncertainties

## Electron Channel

| Parameter                                | $\frac{\delta C_{W\gamma}}{C_{W\gamma}}$ | $\frac{\delta C_{Z\gamma}}{C_{Z\gamma}}$ |
|--|--|--|
| Channel                                  | $e^\pm\nu\gamma$                         | $e^+e^-\gamma$                           |
| Trigger efficiency                       | 1%                                       | 0.02%                                    |
| Electron efficiency                      | 4.5%                                     | 4.5%                                     |
| Photon efficiency                        | 10.1%                                    | 10.1%                                    |
| EM scale and resolution                  | 3%                                       | 4.5%                                     |
| $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ scale and resolution | 2%                                       | -  |
| Inoperative readout modeling             | 1.4%                                     | 2.1%                                     |
| Photon simulation modeling               | 0.3%                                     | 0.3%                                     |
| Photon isolation efficiency              | 3.3%                                     | 3.3%                                     |
| Total uncertainty                        | 12.1%                                    | 12.5%                                    |

## Muon Channel

| Parameter                                | $\frac{\delta C_{W\gamma}}{C_{W\gamma}}$ | $\frac{\delta C_{Z\gamma}}{C_{Z\gamma}}$ |
|--|--|--|
| Channel                                  | $\mu^\pm\nu\gamma$                       | $\mu^+\mu^-\gamma$                       |
| Trigger efficiency                       | 0.6%                                     | 0.2%                                     |
| Muon efficiency                          | 0.5%                                     | 1%                                       |
| Muon isolation efficiency                | 1%                                       | 2%                                       |
| Momentum scale and resolution            | 0.3%                                     | 0.5%                                     |
| Photon efficiency                        | 10.1%                                    | 10.1%                                    |
| EM scale and resolution                  | 4%                                       | 3%                                       |
| $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ scale and resolution | 2%                                       | -  |
| Inoperative readout modeling             | 0.7%                                     | 0.7%                                     |
| Photon simulation modeling               | 0.3%                                     | 0.3%                                     |
| Photon isolation efficiency              | 3.3%                                     | 3.3%                                     |
| Total uncertainty                        | 11.6%                                    | 11.2%                                    |

## Dominant Uncertainties :

- Photon reconstruction/ID efficiency :  $\sim 10\%$  (uncertainty in upstream material and contribution from fragmentation photon)
- Electron reconstruction/ID :  $\sim 4.5\%$
- Electromagnetic energy scale and resolution :  $\sim 3 - 4.5\%$

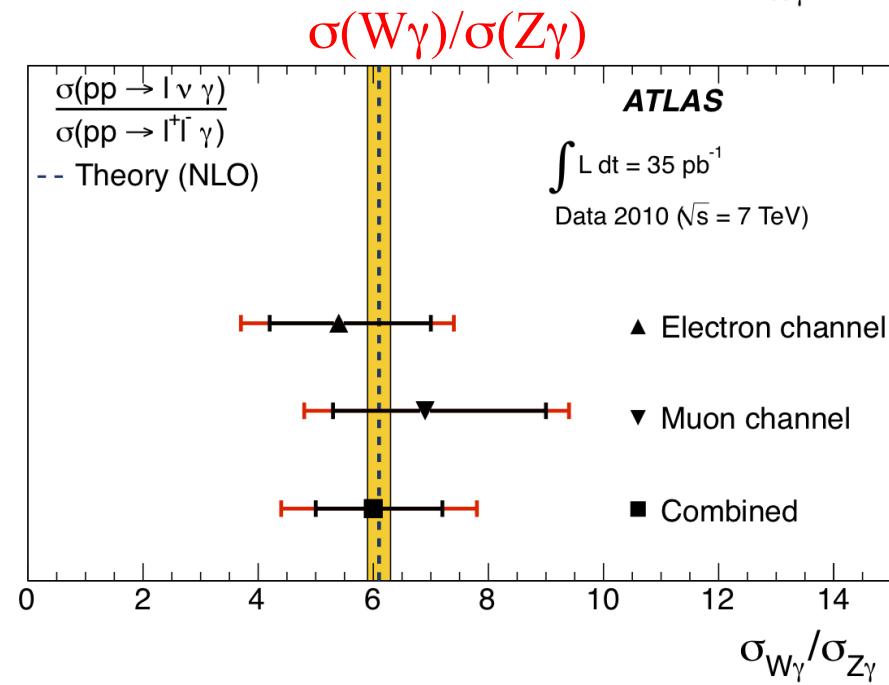
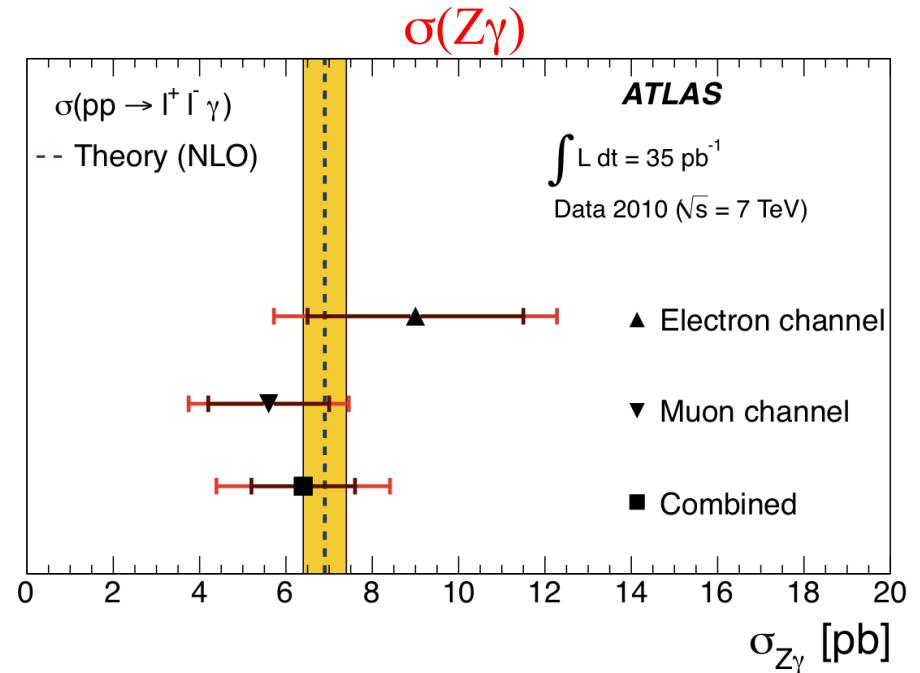
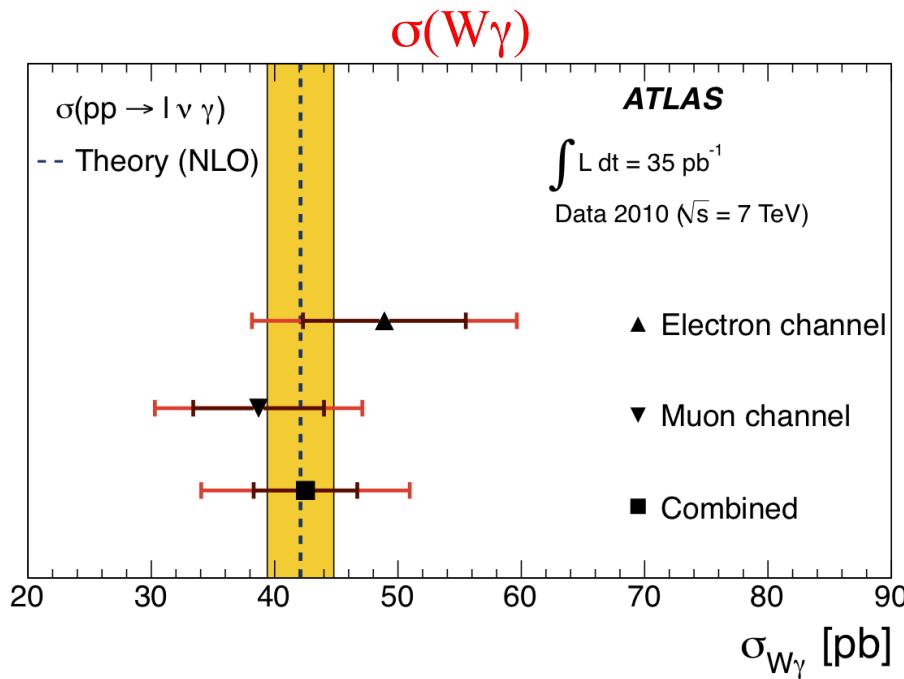
# Cross Section

|           | Experimental measurement            | SM prediction                    |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|           | $\sigma^{\text{fid}}[\text{pb}]$    | $\sigma^{\text{fid}}[\text{pb}]$ |
| $W\gamma$ | $pp \rightarrow e^\pm \nu \gamma$   | $5.4 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.2$    |
|           | $pp \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu \gamma$ | $4.4 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.2$    |
|           | $pp \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$     | $2.2 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.1$    |
|           | $pp \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$ | $1.4 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.1$    |
| $Z\gamma$ |                                     | $\sigma[\text{pb}]$              |
|           | $pp \rightarrow e^\pm \nu \gamma$   | $48.9 \pm 6.6 \pm 8.3 \pm 1.7$   |
|           | $pp \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu \gamma$ | $38.7 \pm 5.3 \pm 6.4 \pm 1.3$   |
|           | $pp \rightarrow l^\pm \nu \gamma$   | $42.5 \pm 4.2 \pm 7.2 \pm 1.4$   |
| $W\gamma$ | $pp \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$     | $9.0 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.1 \pm 0.3$    |
|           | $pp \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$ | $5.6 \pm 1.4 \pm 1.2 \pm 0.2$    |
|           | $pp \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma$     | $6.4 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.6 \pm 0.2$    |
|           |                                     | $\sigma[\text{pb}]$              |
| $Z\gamma$ |                                     | $42.1 \pm 2.7$                   |
|           |                                     | $42.1 \pm 2.7$                   |
|           |                                     | $42.1 \pm 2.7$                   |
|           |                                     | $6.9 \pm 0.5$                    |
|           |                                     | $6.9 \pm 0.5$                    |
|           |                                     | $6.9 \pm 0.5$                    |

Fiducial cross section

Production cross section

# Cross Section



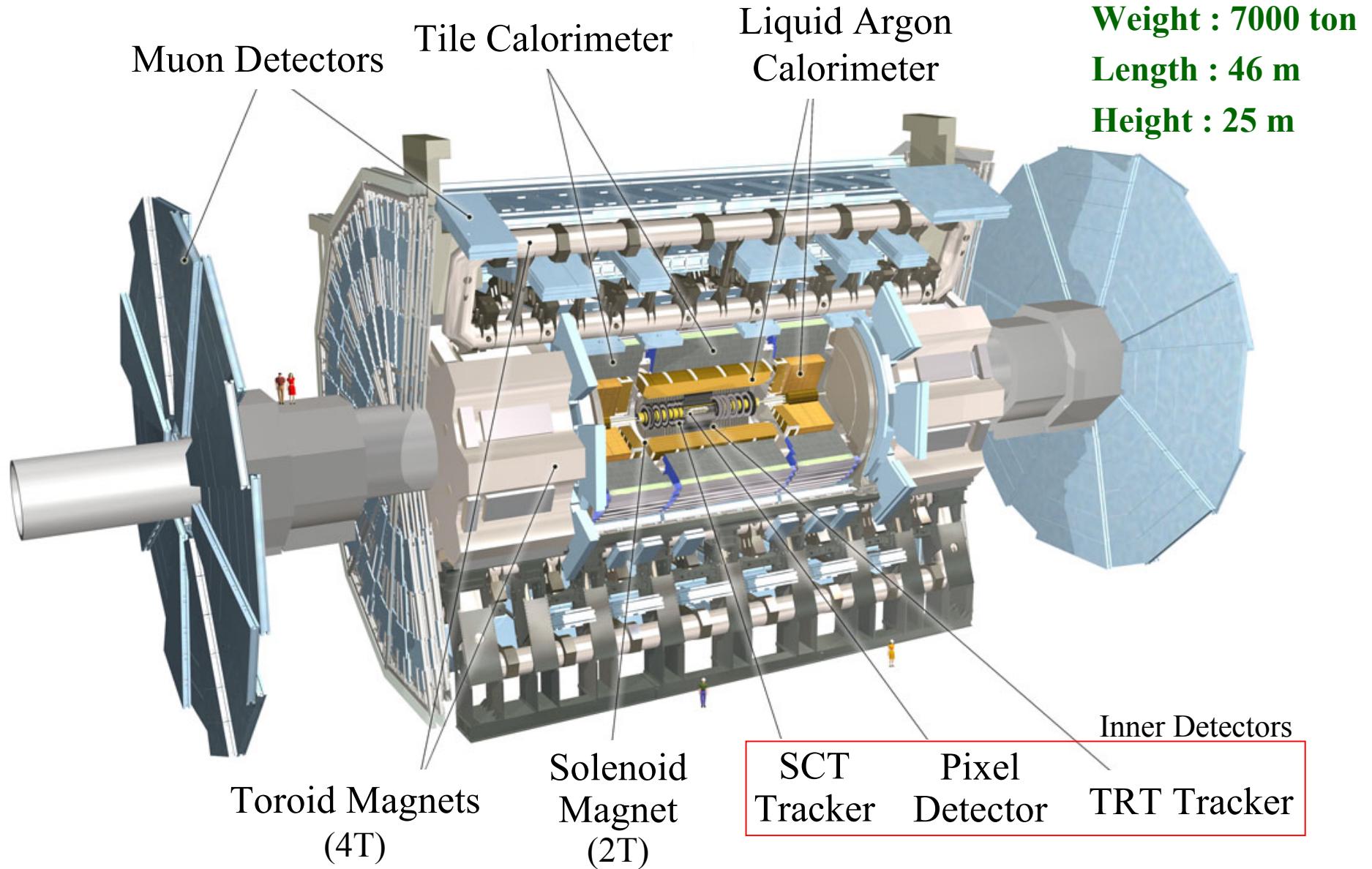
- All measurements are consistent within their uncertainties with the SM expectation

## Summary

- Have performed the first measurement of  $W\gamma$ ,  $Z\gamma$  production at  $\sqrt{s}=7$  TeV with the ATLAS detector, using data sample of  $35 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  (arXiv:1106.1592)
- Experimental measurements are consistent with Standard Model expectation within their uncertainties
- Dominant uncertainty is due to photon identification efficiency
- Expect to improve the precision of measurement with larger data sample available this year
- Extend analysis to search for new physics and to measure the anomalous TGC limits.

## **BACK UP**

# ATLAS Experiment



## Cross Section

|                                     | Experimental measurement         | SM prediction                    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                     | $\sigma^{\text{fid}}[\text{pb}]$ | $\sigma^{\text{fid}}[\text{pb}]$ |
| $pp \rightarrow e^\pm \nu \gamma$   | $5.4 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.2$    | $4.7 \pm 0.3$                    |
| $pp \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu \gamma$ | $4.4 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.2$    | $4.9 \pm 0.3$                    |
| $pp \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$     | $2.2 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.1$    | $1.7 \pm 0.1$                    |
| $pp \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$ | $1.4 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.1$    | $1.7 \pm 0.1$                    |
|                                     | $\sigma[\text{pb}]$              | $\sigma[\text{pb}]$              |
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| Cross section ratio   | Experimental measurement    | SM prediction |
|---|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Fiducial phase space  |                             |               |
| $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow e^\pm \nu \gamma}^{\text{fid}} / \sigma_{pp \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma}^{\text{fid}}$       | $2.5^{+0.8}_{-0.6} \pm 0.5$ | $2.8 \pm 0.3$ |
| $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu \gamma}^{\text{fid}} / \sigma_{pp \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma}^{\text{fid}}$ | $3.1^{+1.1}_{-0.8} \pm 0.6$ | $2.9 \pm 0.3$ |
| Phase space for production cross section  |                             |               |
| $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow e^\pm \nu \gamma} / \sigma_{pp \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma}$                                 | $5.4^{+1.8}_{-1.3} \pm 1.2$ | $6.1 \pm 0.2$ |
| $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu \gamma} / \sigma_{pp \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma}$                           | $6.9^{+2.3}_{-1.7} \pm 1.4$ | $6.1 \pm 0.2$ |
| $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow l^\pm \nu \gamma} / \sigma_{pp \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma}$                                 | $6.0^{+1.3}_{-1.0} \pm 1.3$ | $6.1 \pm 0.2$ |

$\sigma(W\gamma) / \sigma(Z\gamma)$

# Kinematic Distributions of Selected Events ( $W\gamma$ )

