

# Measurement of isolated photons in PbPb collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 2.76\text{TeV}$ with CMS detector

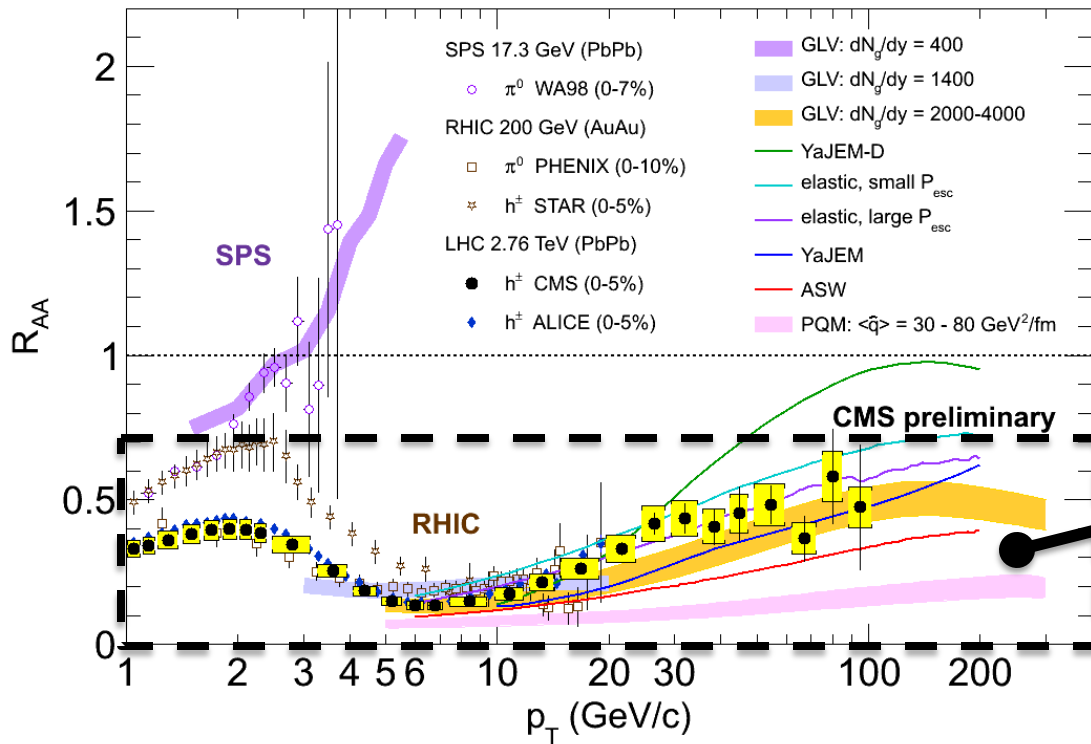


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# Motivation – $R_{AA}$



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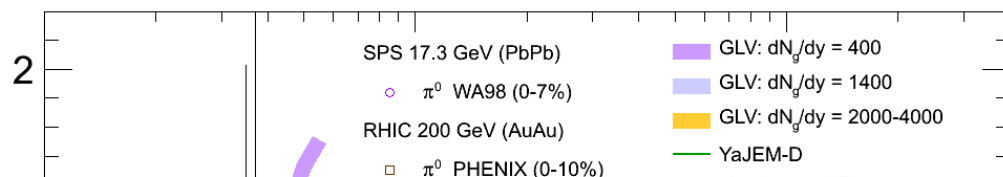
Ratio of PbPb spectrum to pp spectrum normalized by number of binary collisions  $\langle N_{coll} \rangle$

Charged particle  $R_{AA} < 1$   
Indirect evidence of jet quenching.

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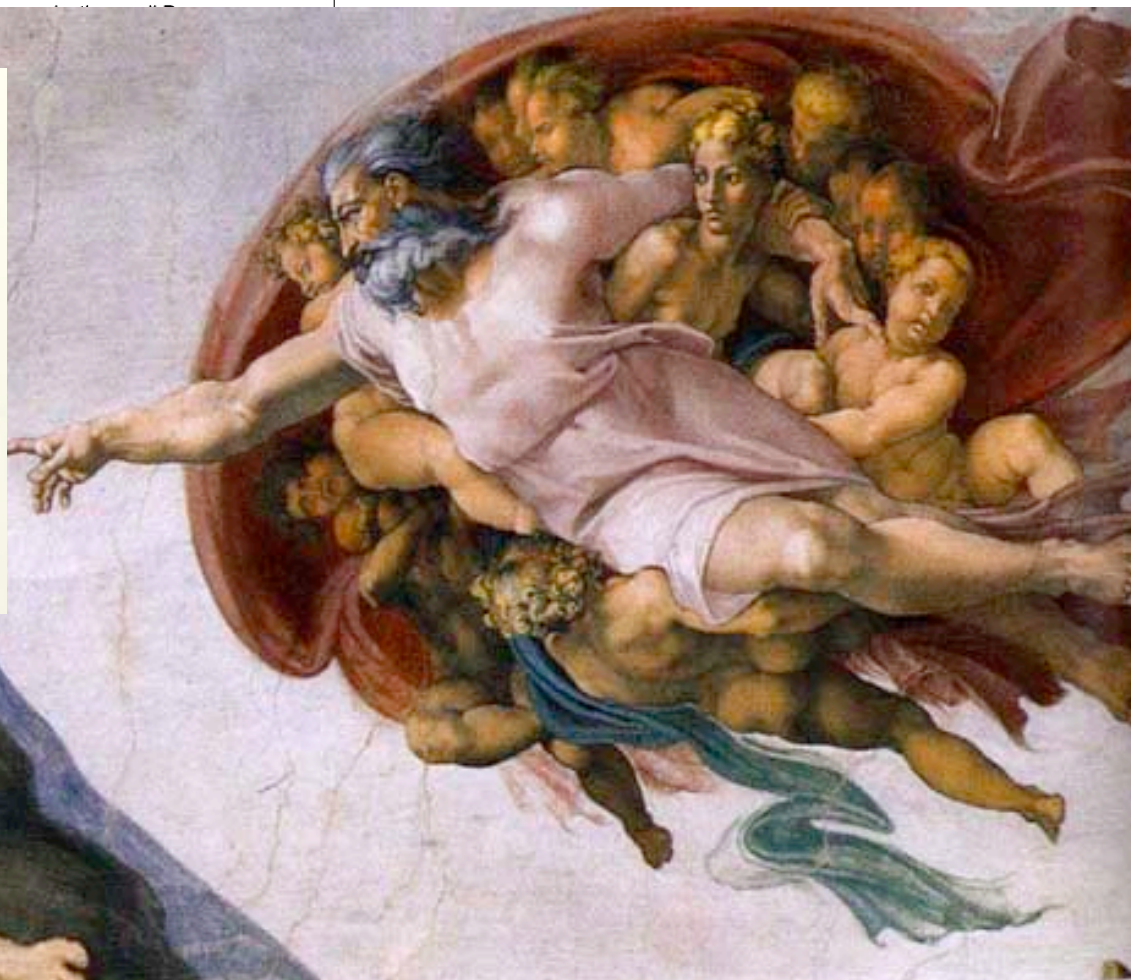
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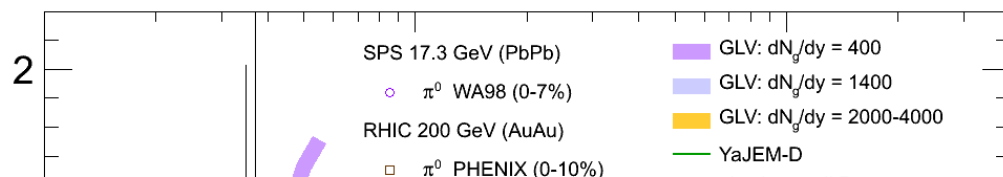
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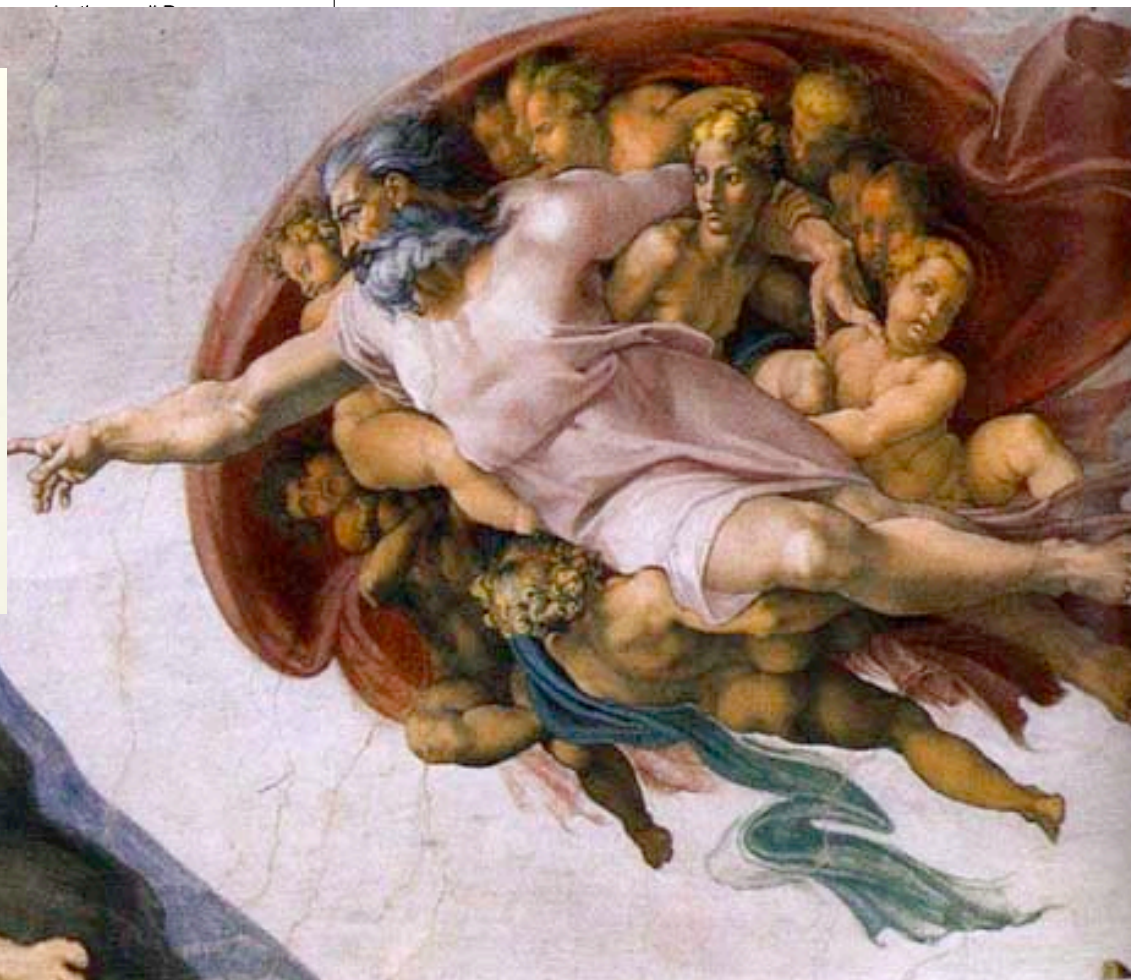
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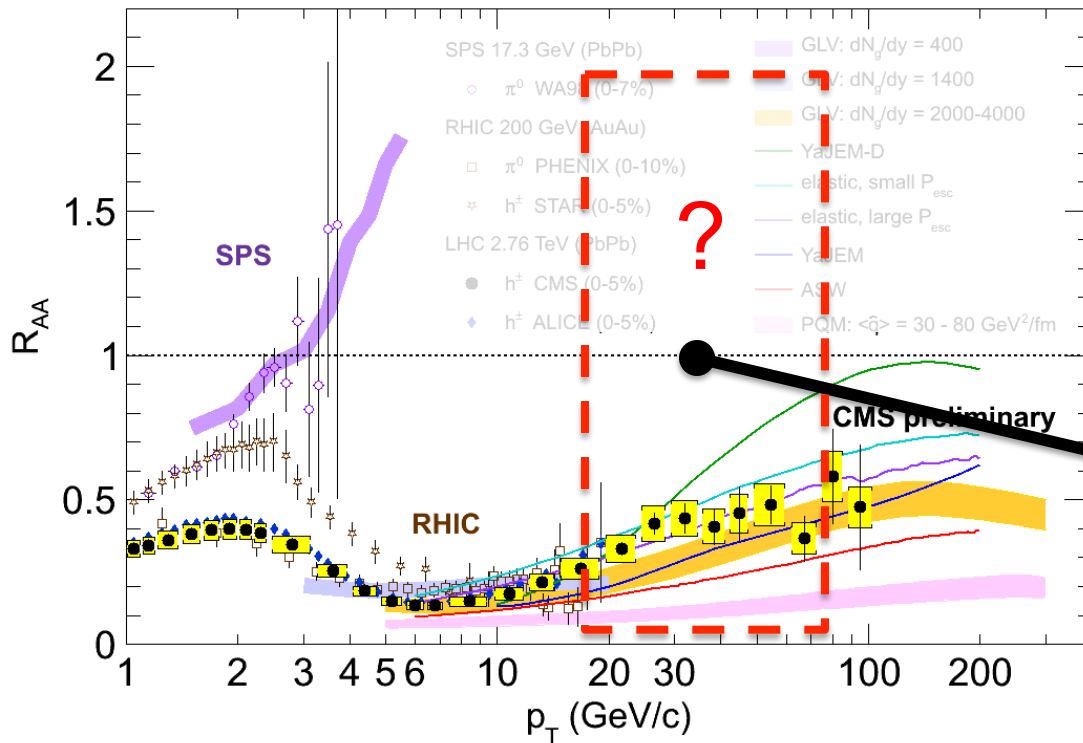
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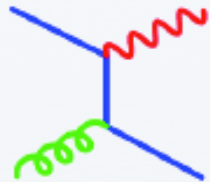
**Photon measured  
20 – 80 GeV**

- Photon is not quenched in medium, therefore its  $R_{AA}$  can be used to check the **initial state of PbPb collision**
- First adaptation of pp photon identification methods to heavy ion experiment.

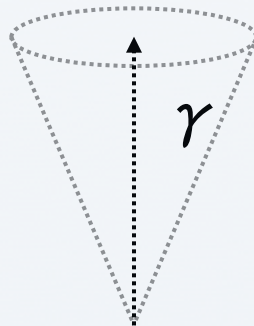
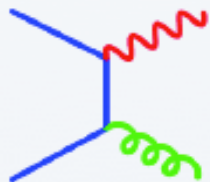
# Why **isolated** photons?

## Leading order

Compton



Annihilation



Isolated

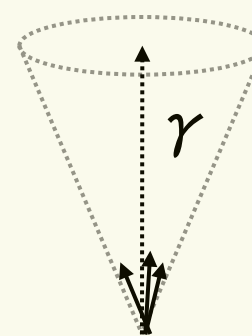
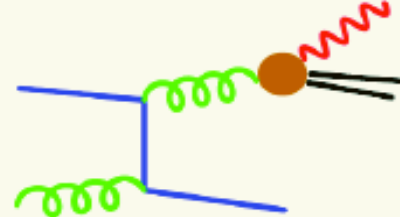
Ideally want to measure LO

## Higher orders

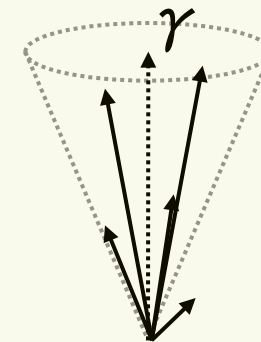
Bremsstrahlung



Fragmentation

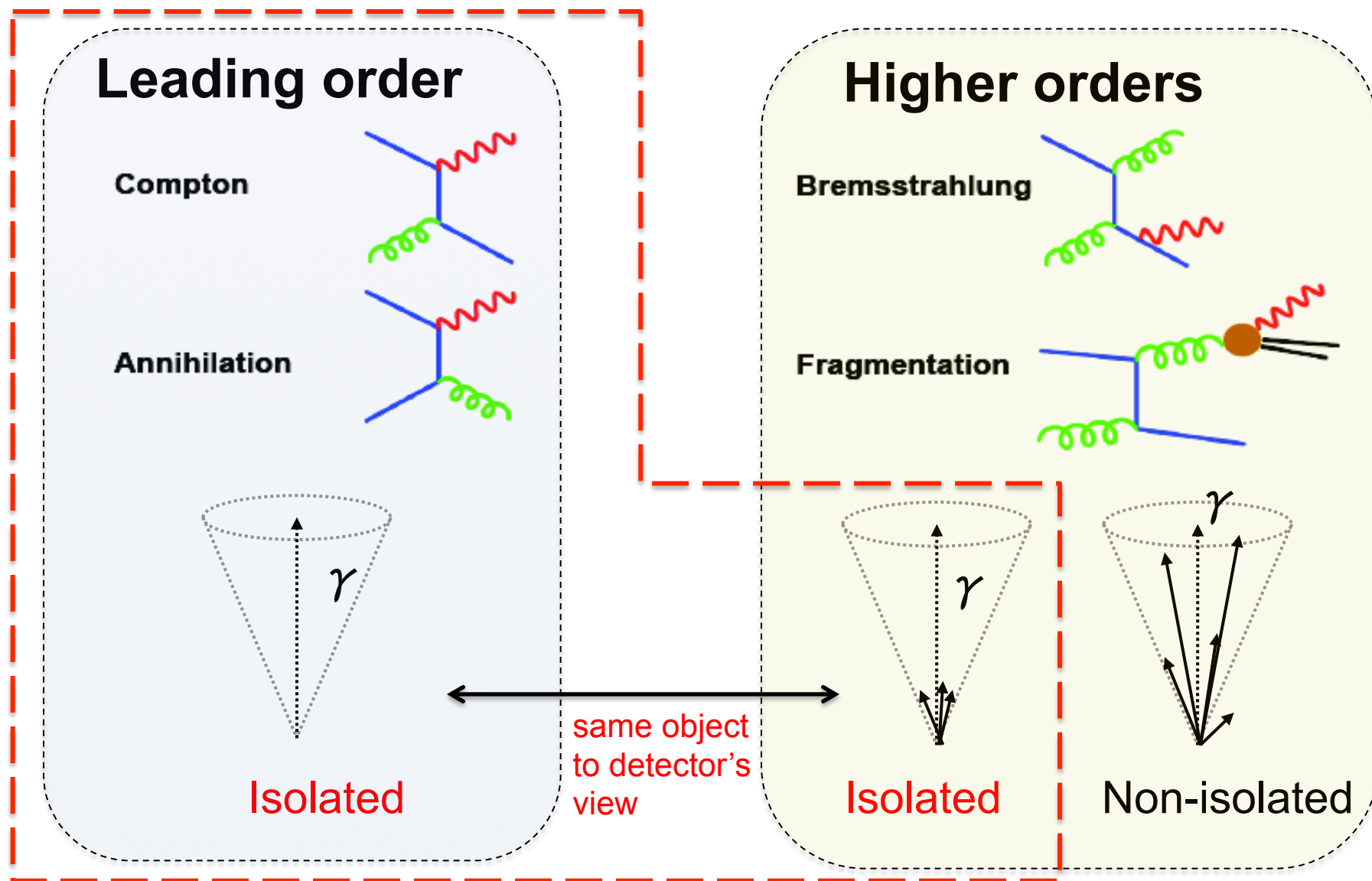


Isolated



Non-isolated

# Why **isolated** photons?



**Experimentally possible borderline = Isolation**

Reasonable cut for theoretical calculation as well.

# CMS is excellent for photon hunting

Si tracker

vertex determination  
reject electron

**Ecal ( $\text{PbWO}_4$ )**

$|\eta| < 3$  with 75848 crystals  
 $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\Phi = 0.017 \times 0.017$   
Transverse shower shape  
Intrinsic energy resolution ( $\sim 1\%$ )

Hcal for Isolation criteria.

**$2\pi$  radians covered**



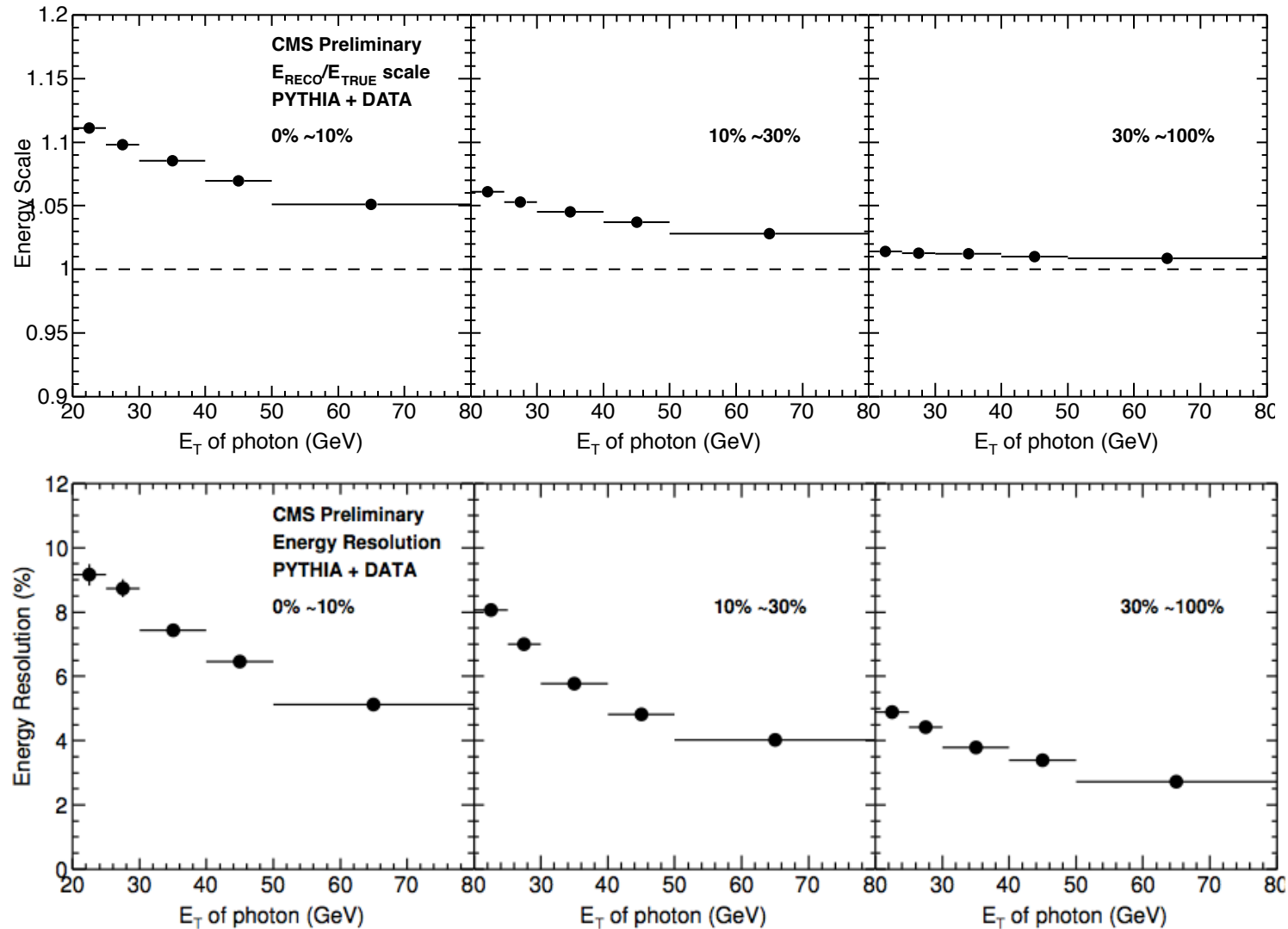
# Photon energy scale & fluctuation

Background particle fluctuation is 8 – 10% for  $< 40\text{GeV}$  in central events

Above  $40\text{GeV}$ , photon reconstruction performance is similar to pp

**Energy scale factor** used for offline correction

**Energy resolution** factor used to deconvolute final spectra



# Data trigger

- From PbPb Collision of

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$$

$$\int L dt = 6.8 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$$

- Photons are measured

- $|\eta| < 1.44$

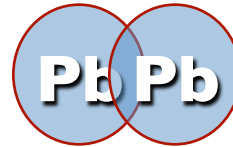
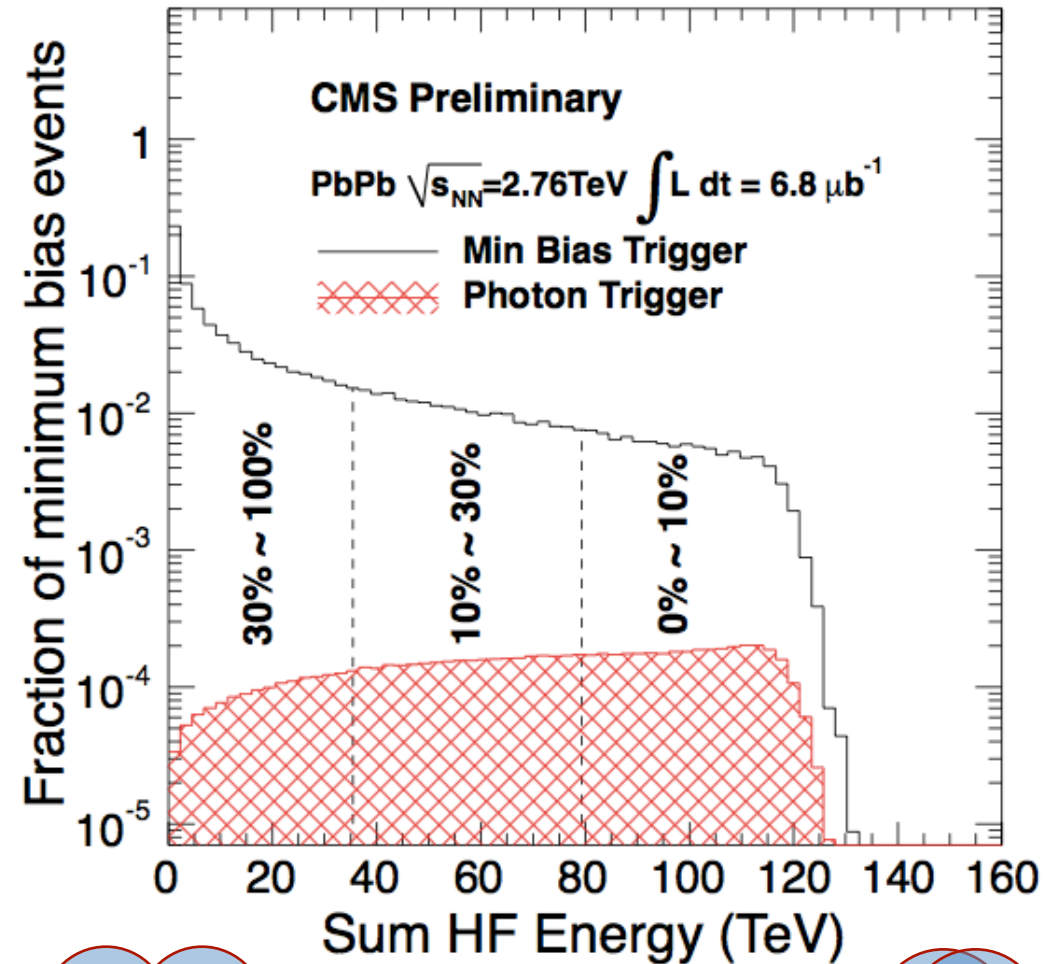
- **$E_T$  of 20 – 80 GeV** (5 bins)

- 3 centrality bins

**0 – 10%, 10 – 30%, 30 – 100 %**

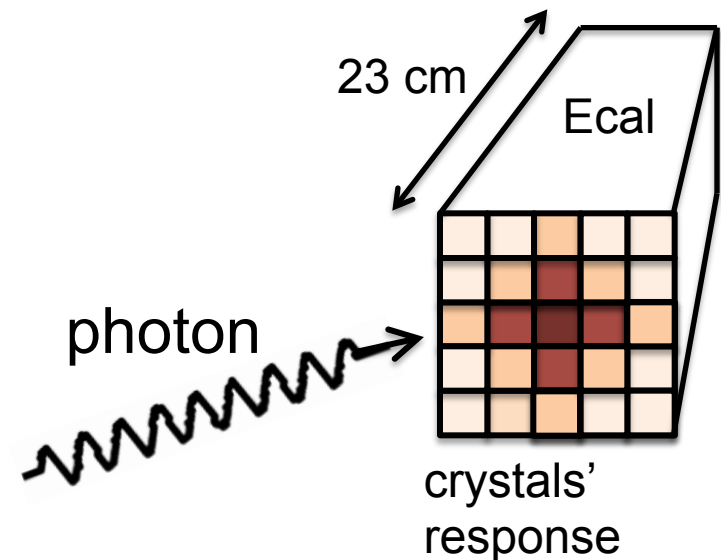
- 6000 signals counted

(before efficiency correction)



# Photon reconstruction

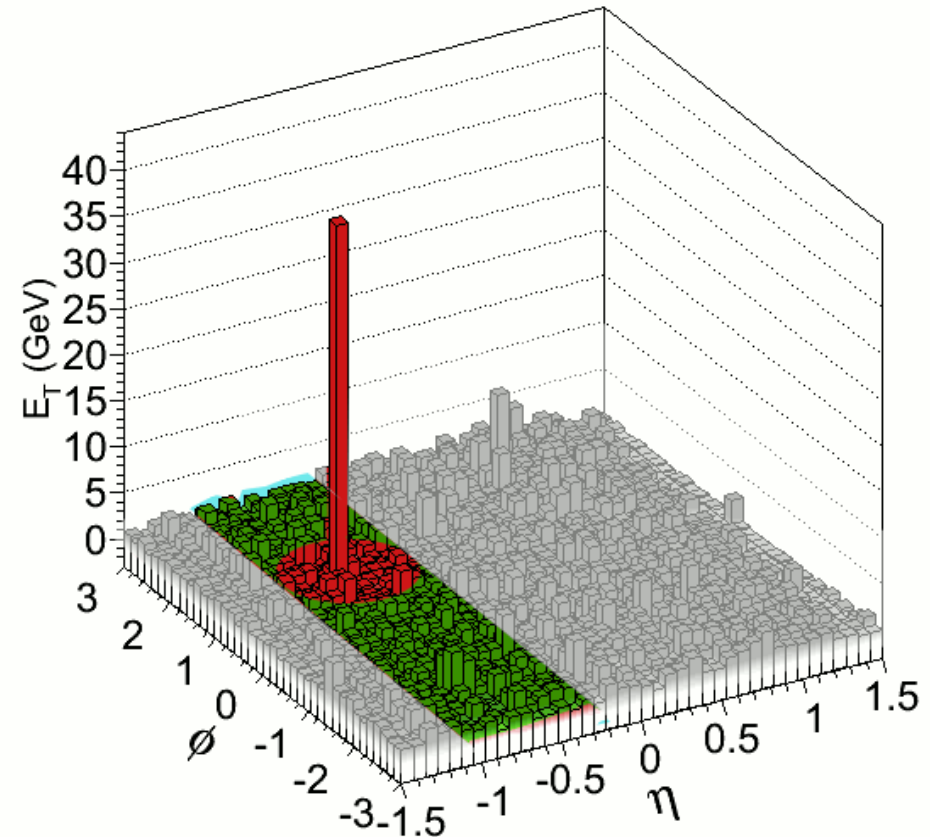
- Photon is reconstructed in Ecal using **Island clustering algorithm**
  - Ref. (CERN-LHCC-2006-001)
- Main background is neutral mesons
  - $\pi^0$  and  $\eta$  decaying into two photons
  - In high  $E_T$ , decayed photons are almost collinear, and make single cluster
- Background rejection strategies are described in following slides



Crystal size : 2.2 cm x 2.2 cm  
94% of energy in 3x3 crystals

# Isolation criteria

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- **Isolation cut** rejects such jets
  - $E_{\text{Hcal}}/E_{\text{Ecal}} < 0.2$
  - $\Sigma E_{\text{T}}$  of particles in cone around candidates measured  $\Sigma E_{\text{T}} < 5\text{GeV}$

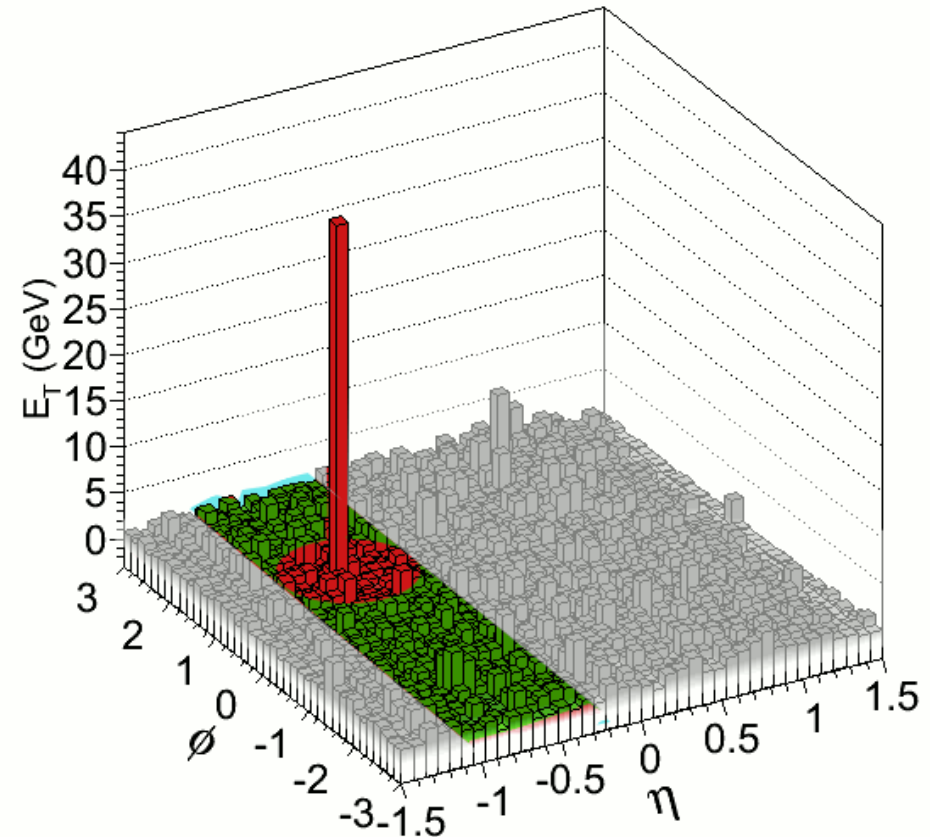


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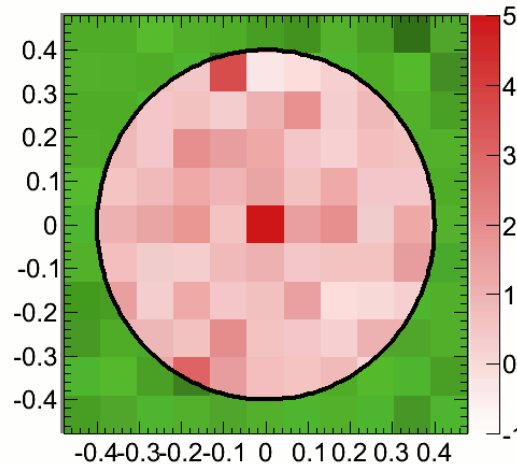
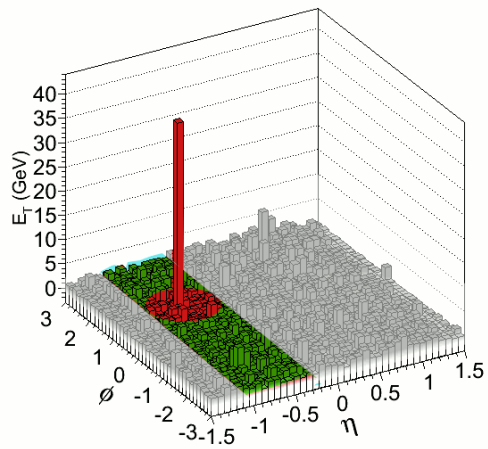
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- Count out **background**
  - **Energy in the cone** is on top of **Uncorrelated Background energy**
  - Heavy ion background energy subtraction event-by event



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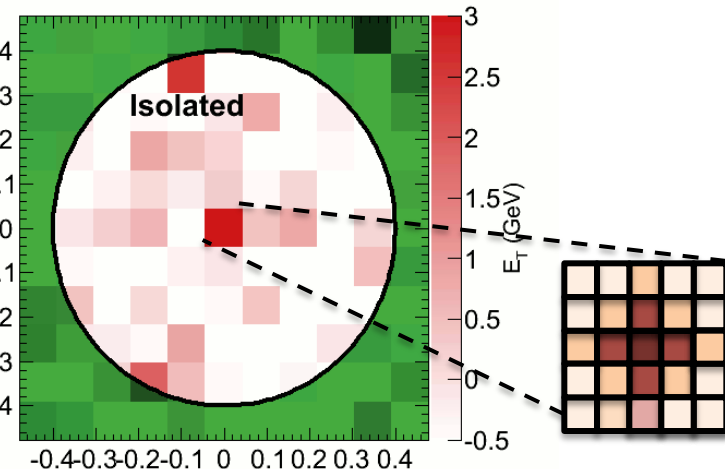
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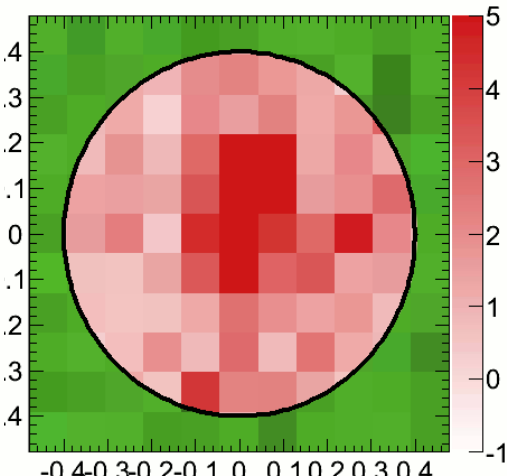
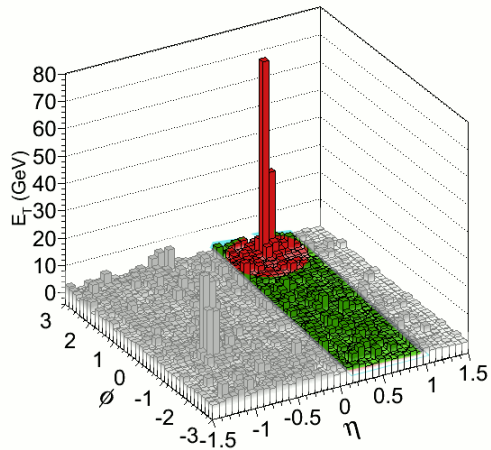
BEFORE  $\Delta\eta$   
background energy subtraction

$E_T$  (GeV)  $\rightarrow$   $\Delta\phi$   
**Background energy subtraction**



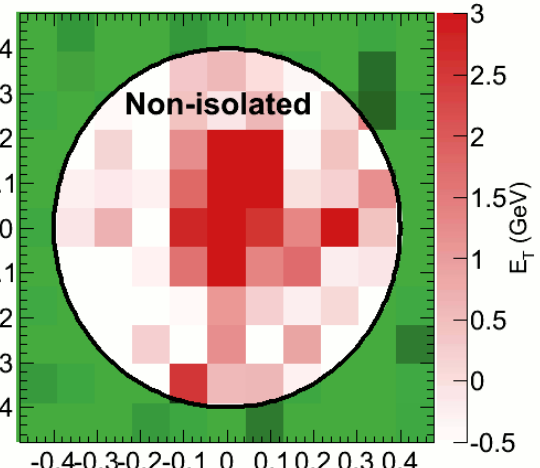
AFTER background

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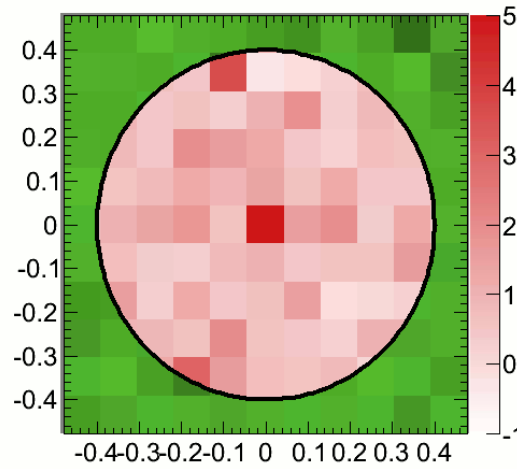
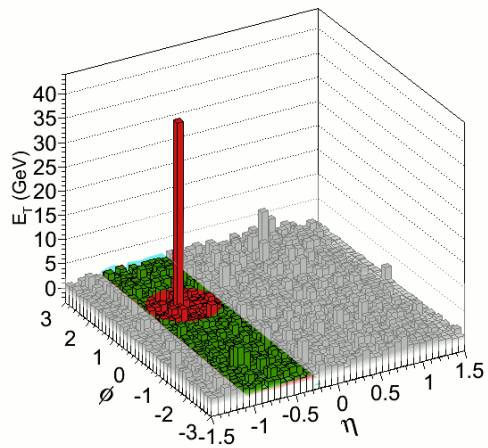
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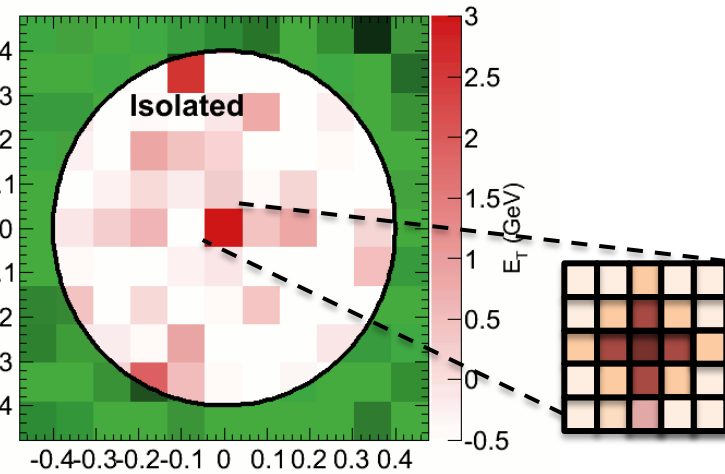
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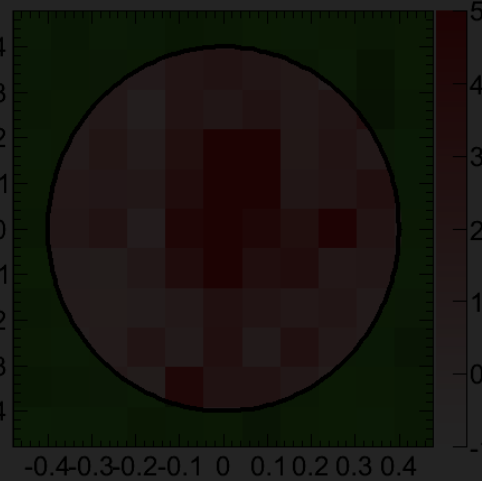
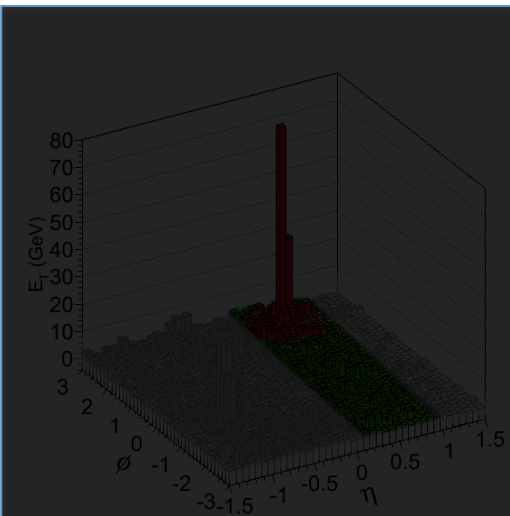
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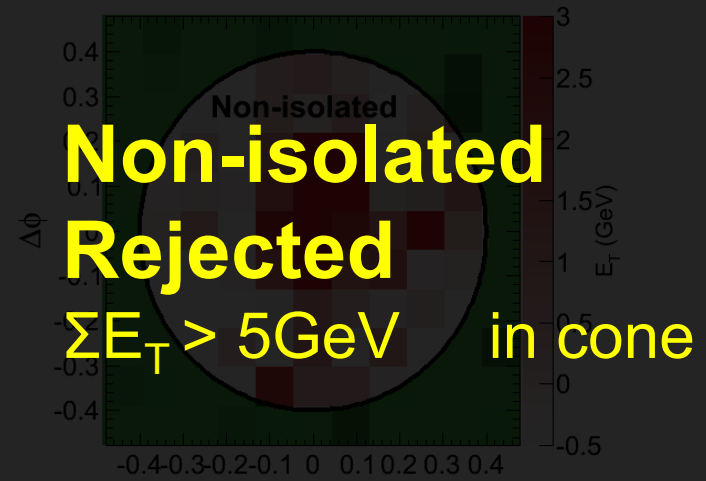
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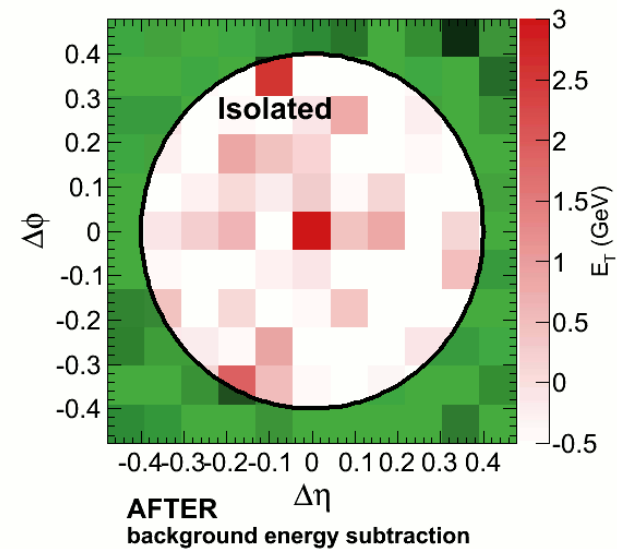


**Non-isolated  
Rejected**  
 $\Sigma E_T > 5\text{GeV}$  in cone

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background  $\Sigma E_T > 5\text{GeV}$

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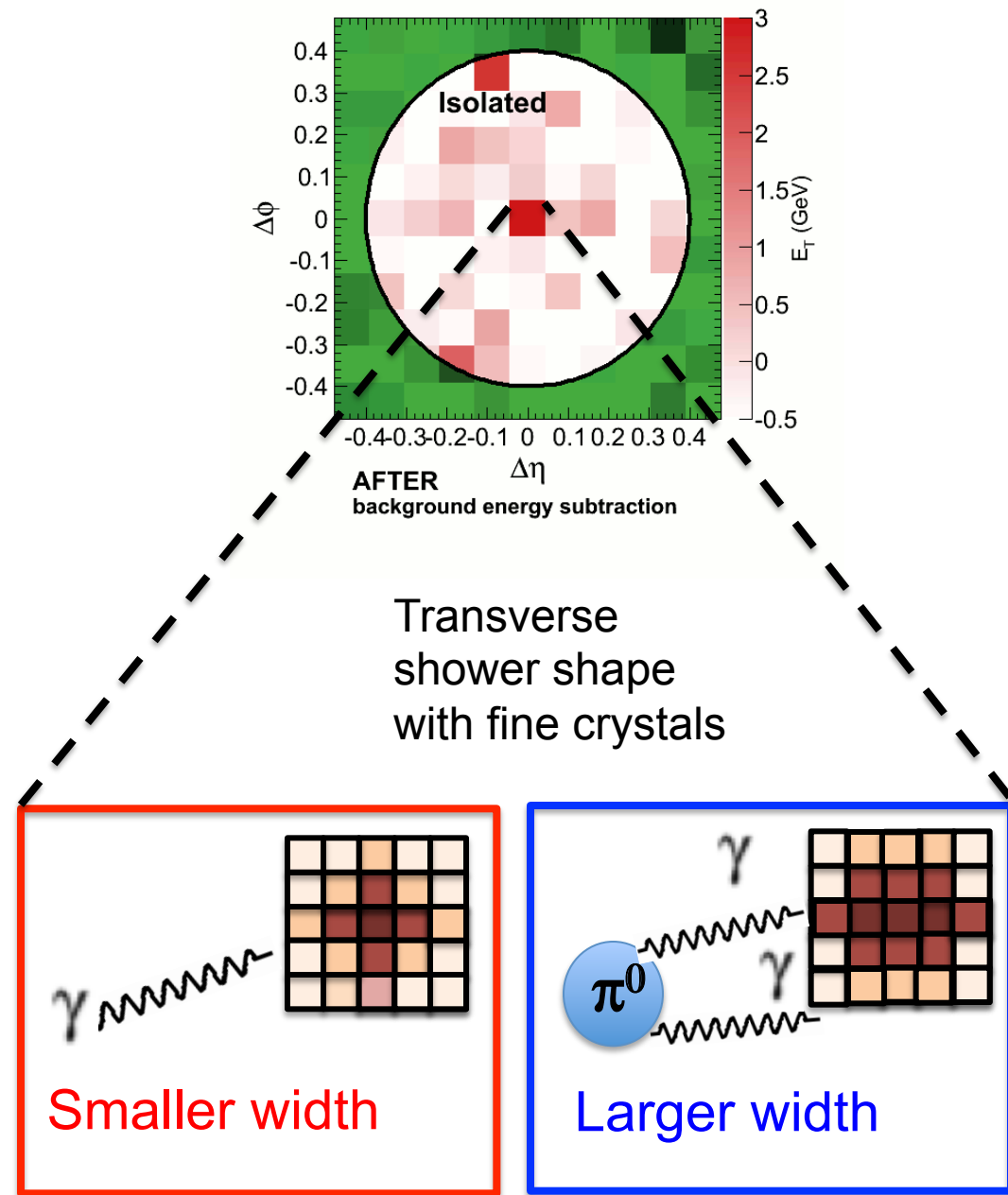
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- Use Ecal's **fine segmentation**
  - $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\Phi = 0.017 \times 0.017$



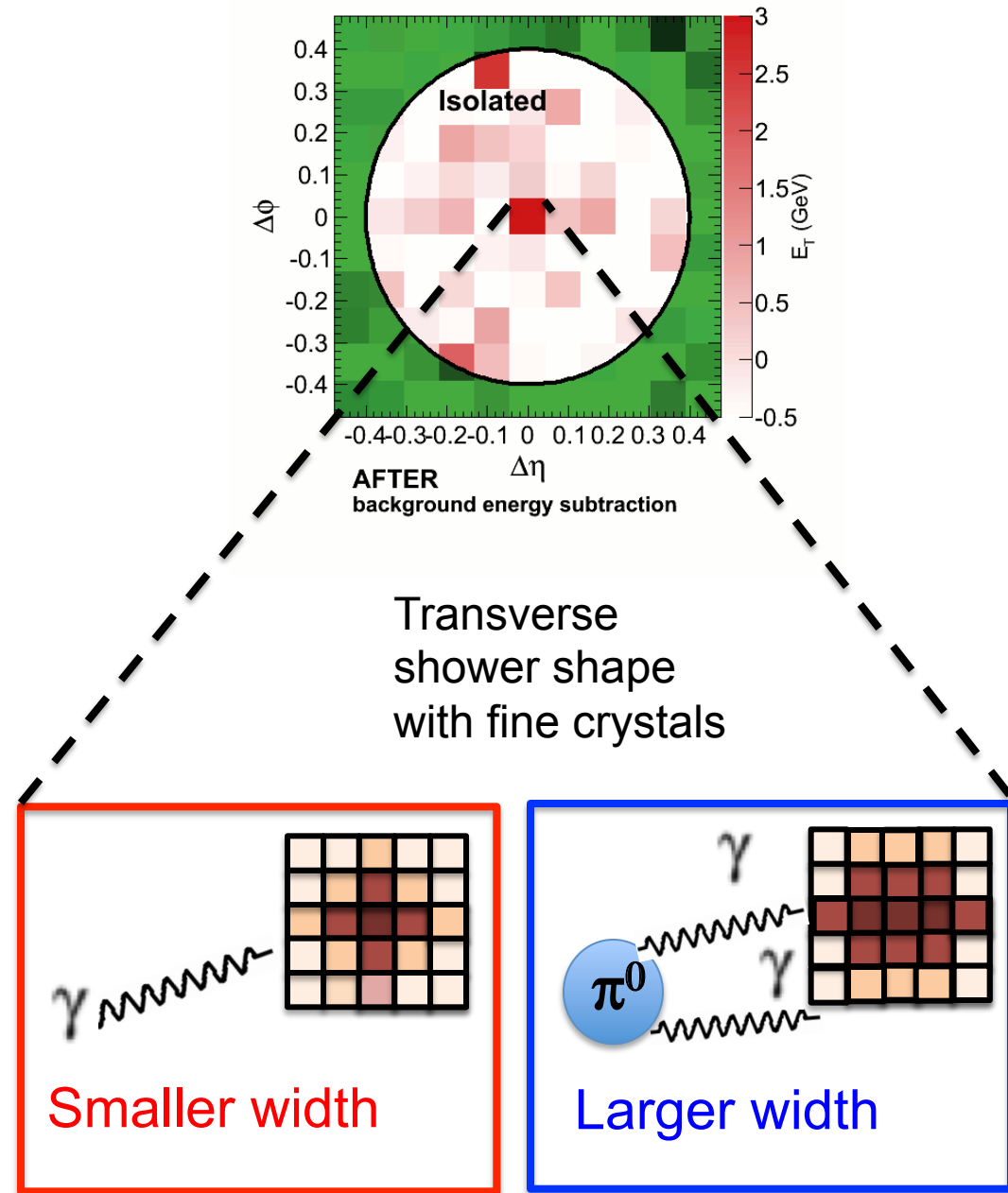
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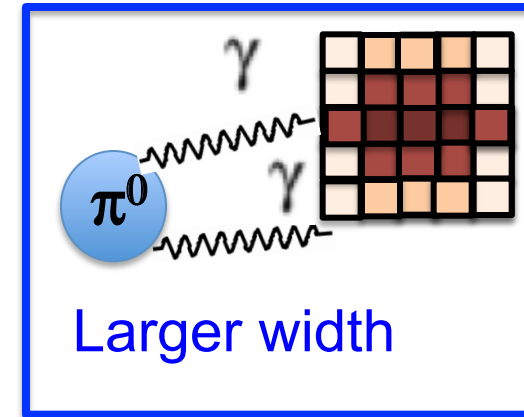
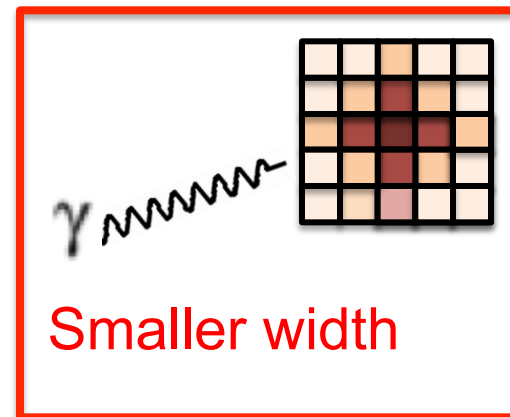
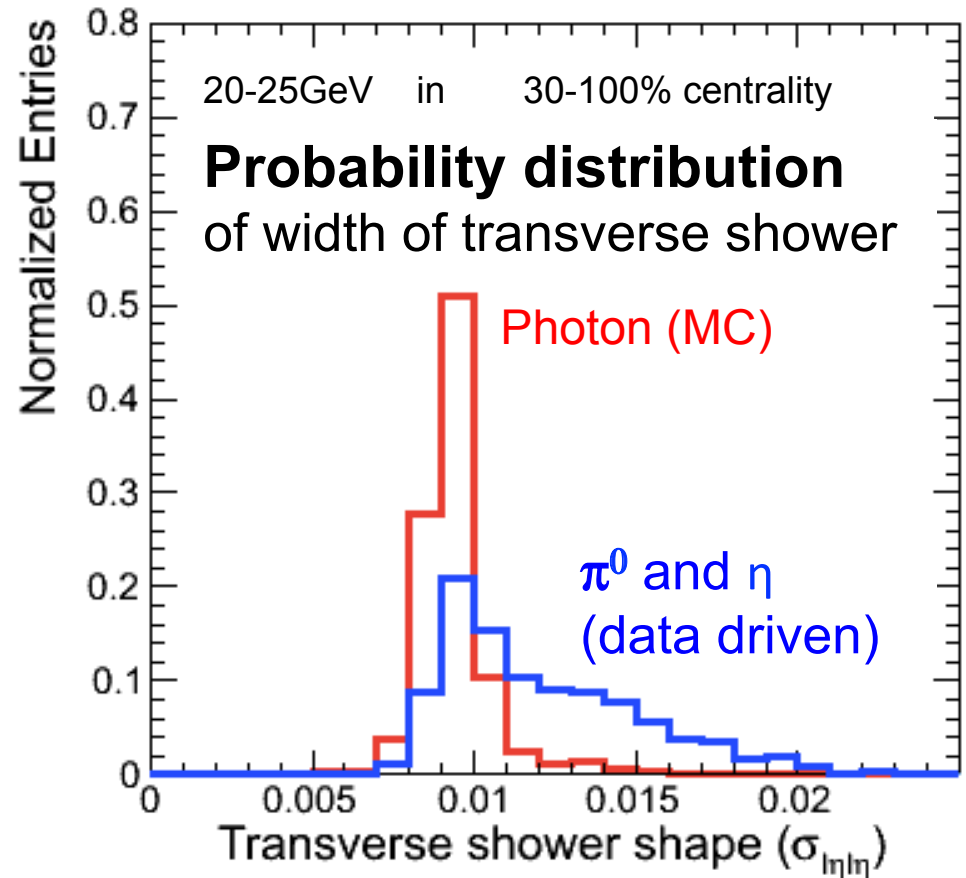
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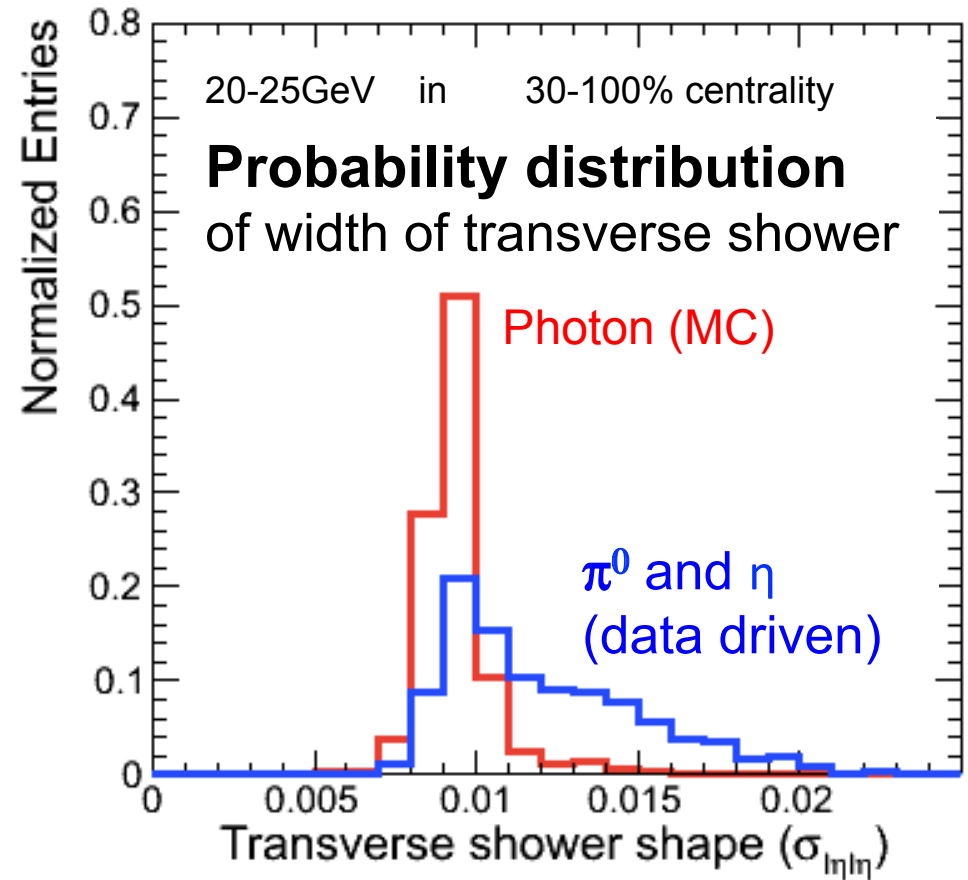
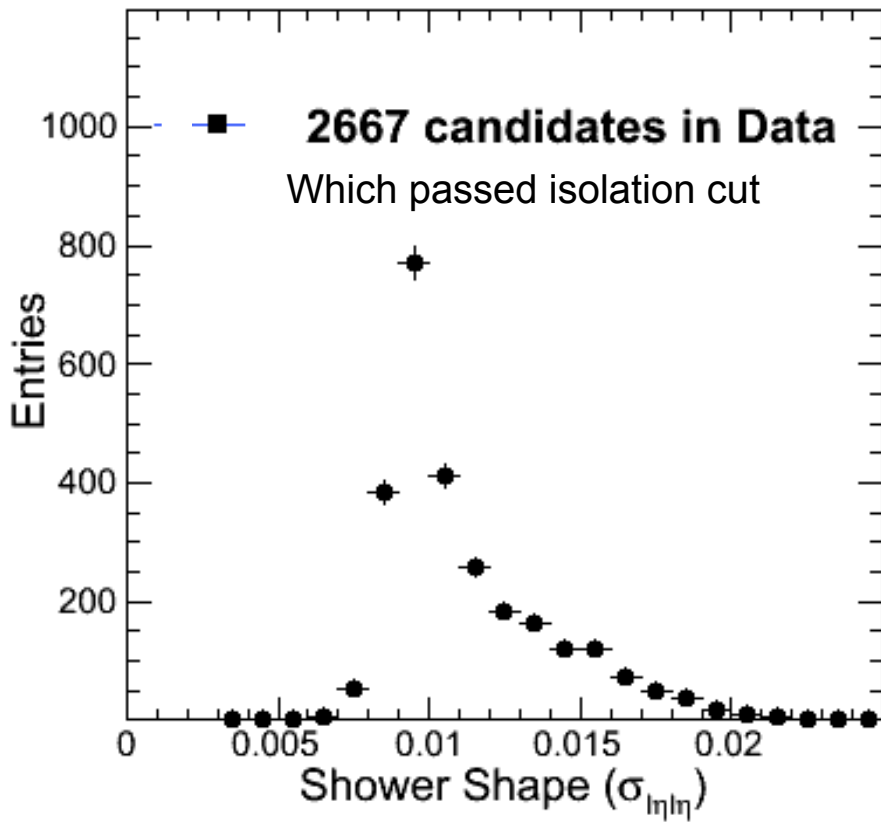
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- Probability distribution function of this value is called **Template**



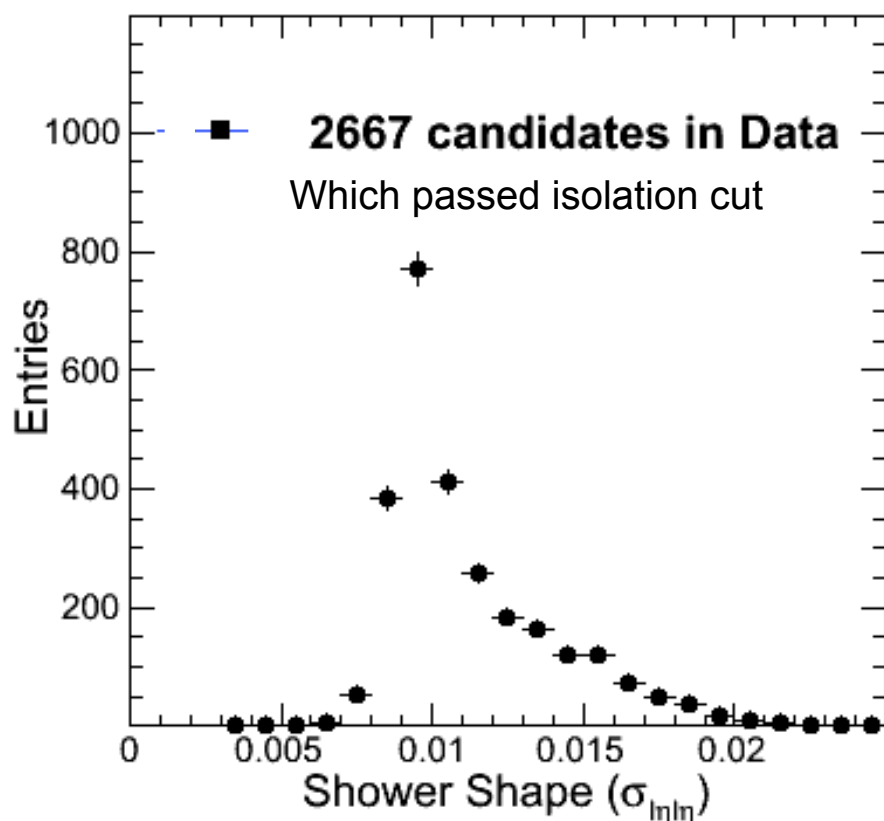
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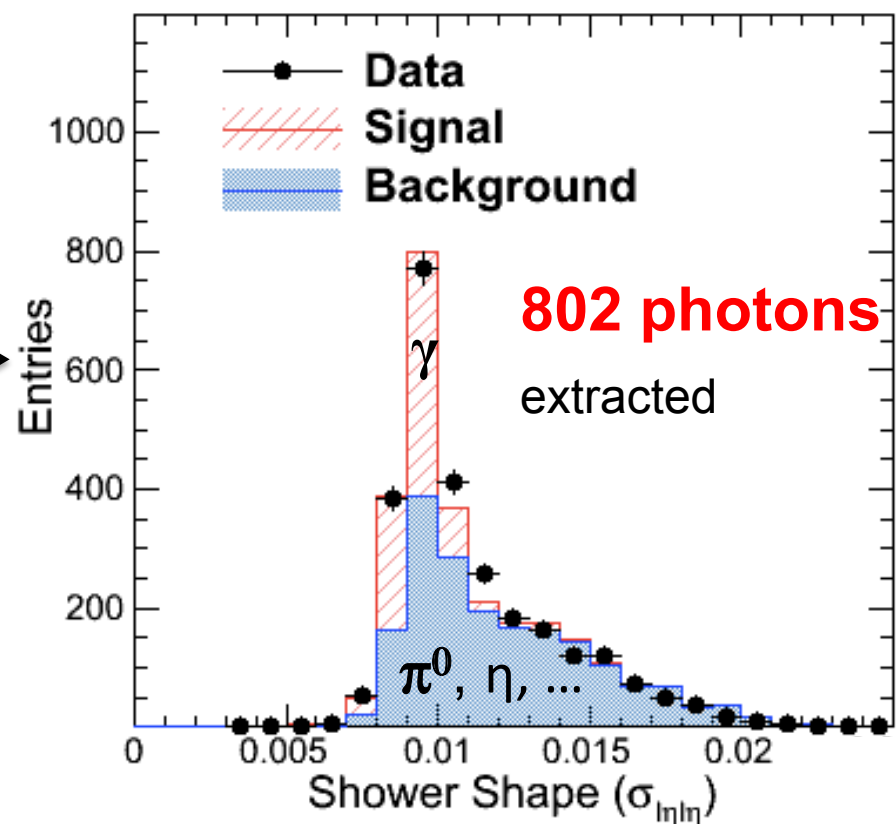
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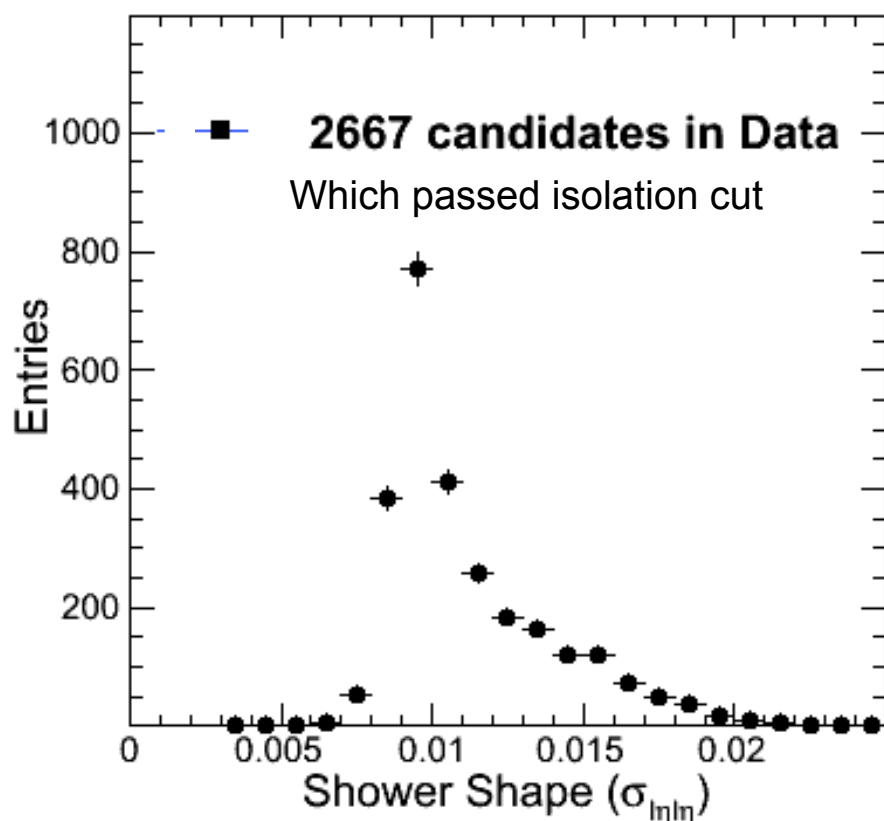


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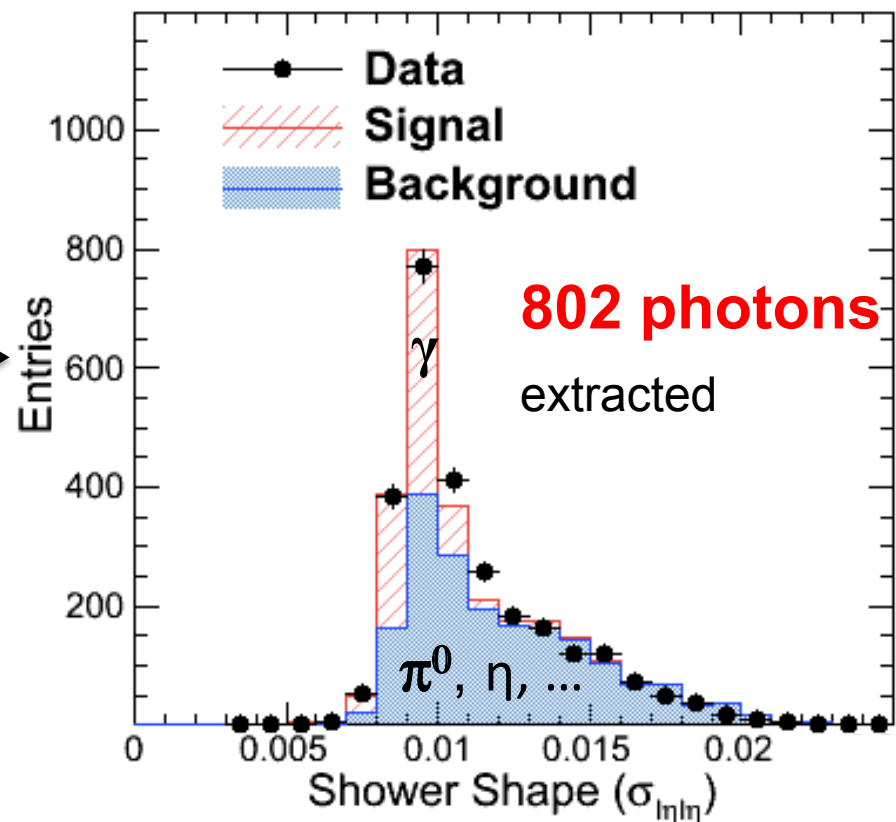
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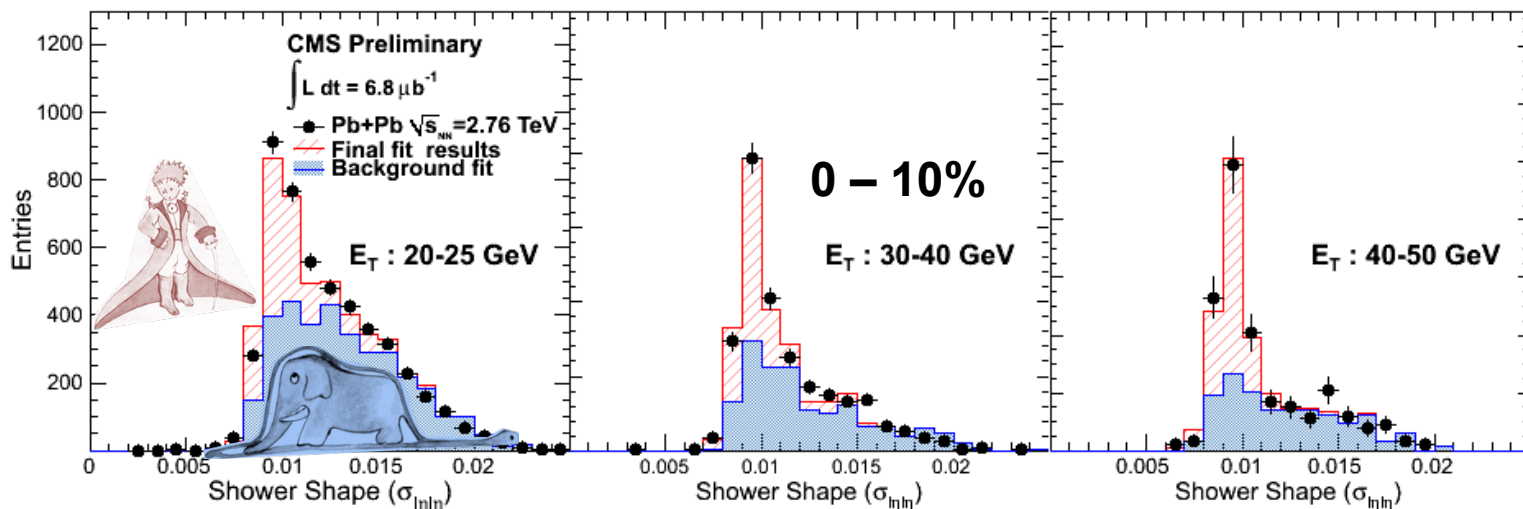
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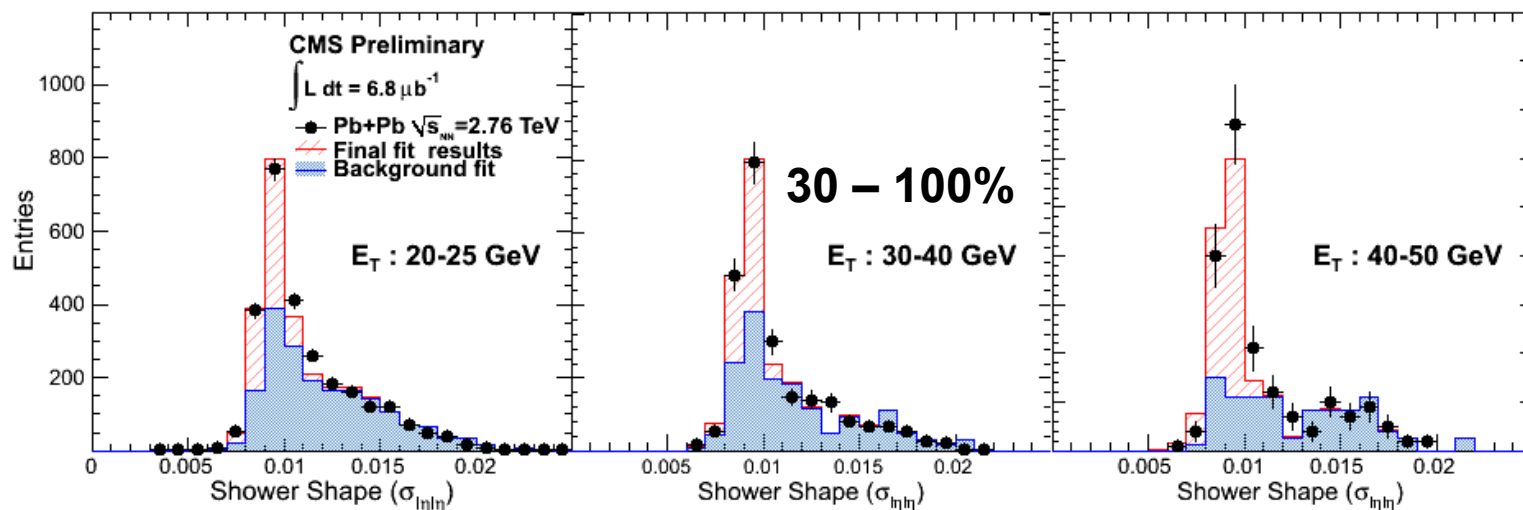
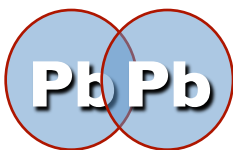
- By the way, where did we get shower shapes of pure photon and pure  $\pi^0/\eta$ ?
  - **Photon template** obtained from MC
  - **Background template** obtained from non-isolated  $\pi^0$  and  $\eta$  in jet
    - Data driven method

# More examples

Central events  
0 – 10%

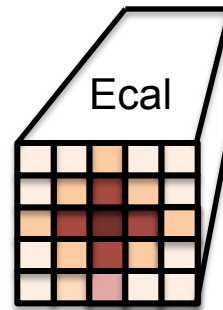


Perepheral events  
30 – 100%



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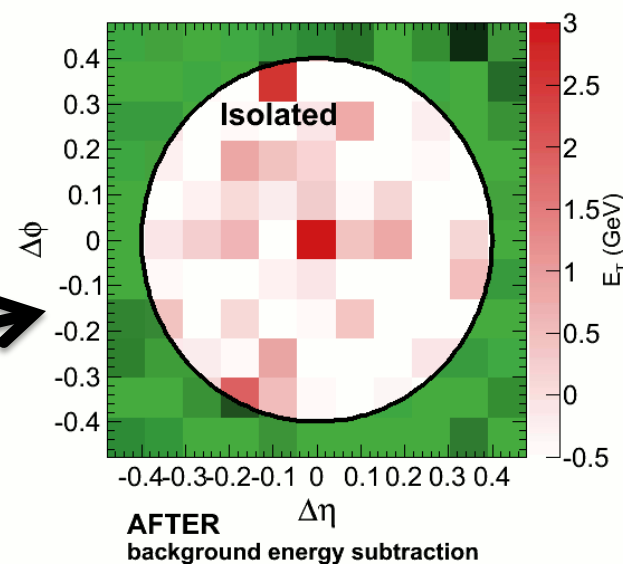
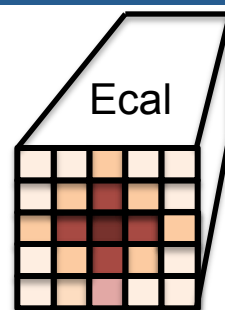
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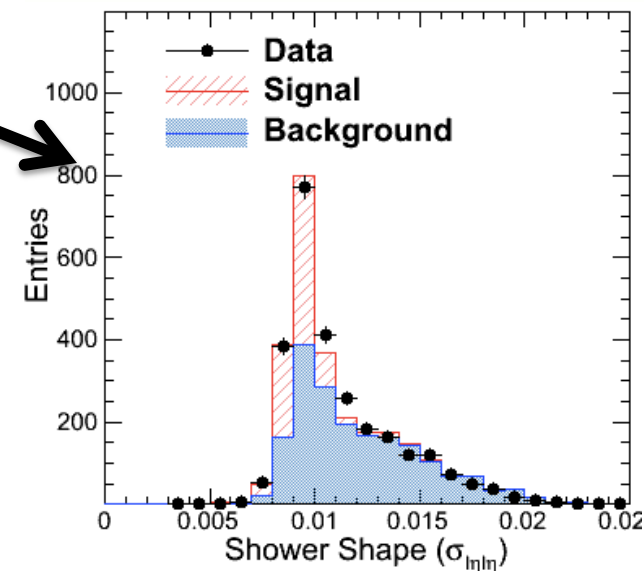
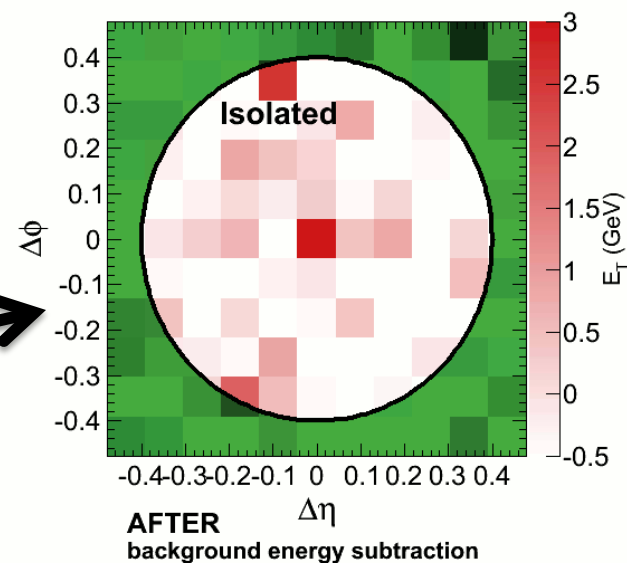
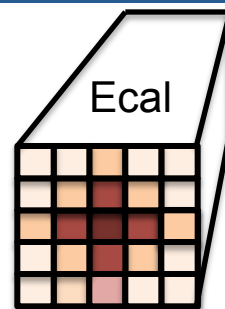
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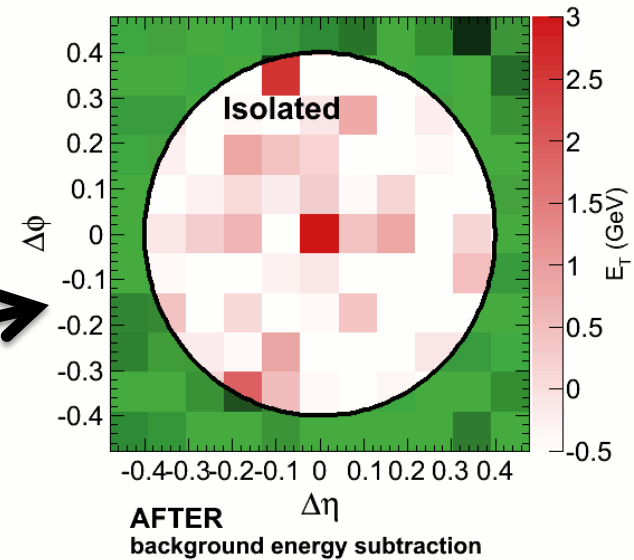
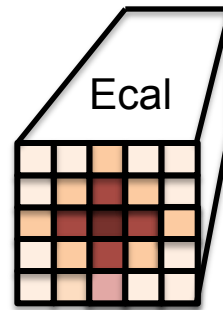
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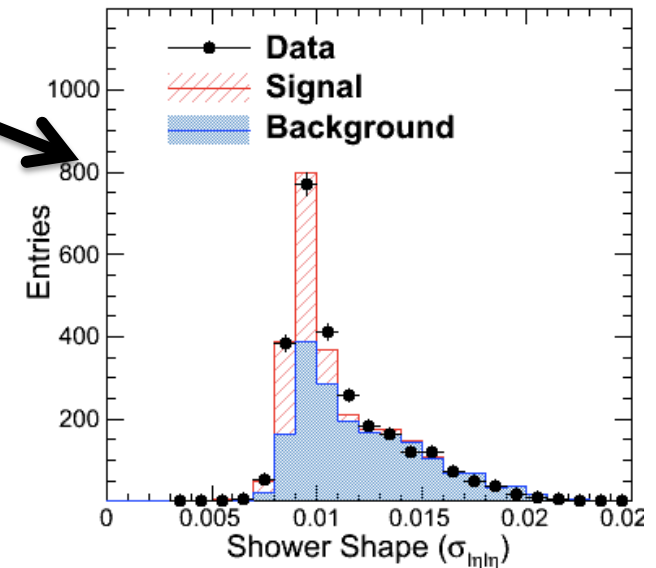


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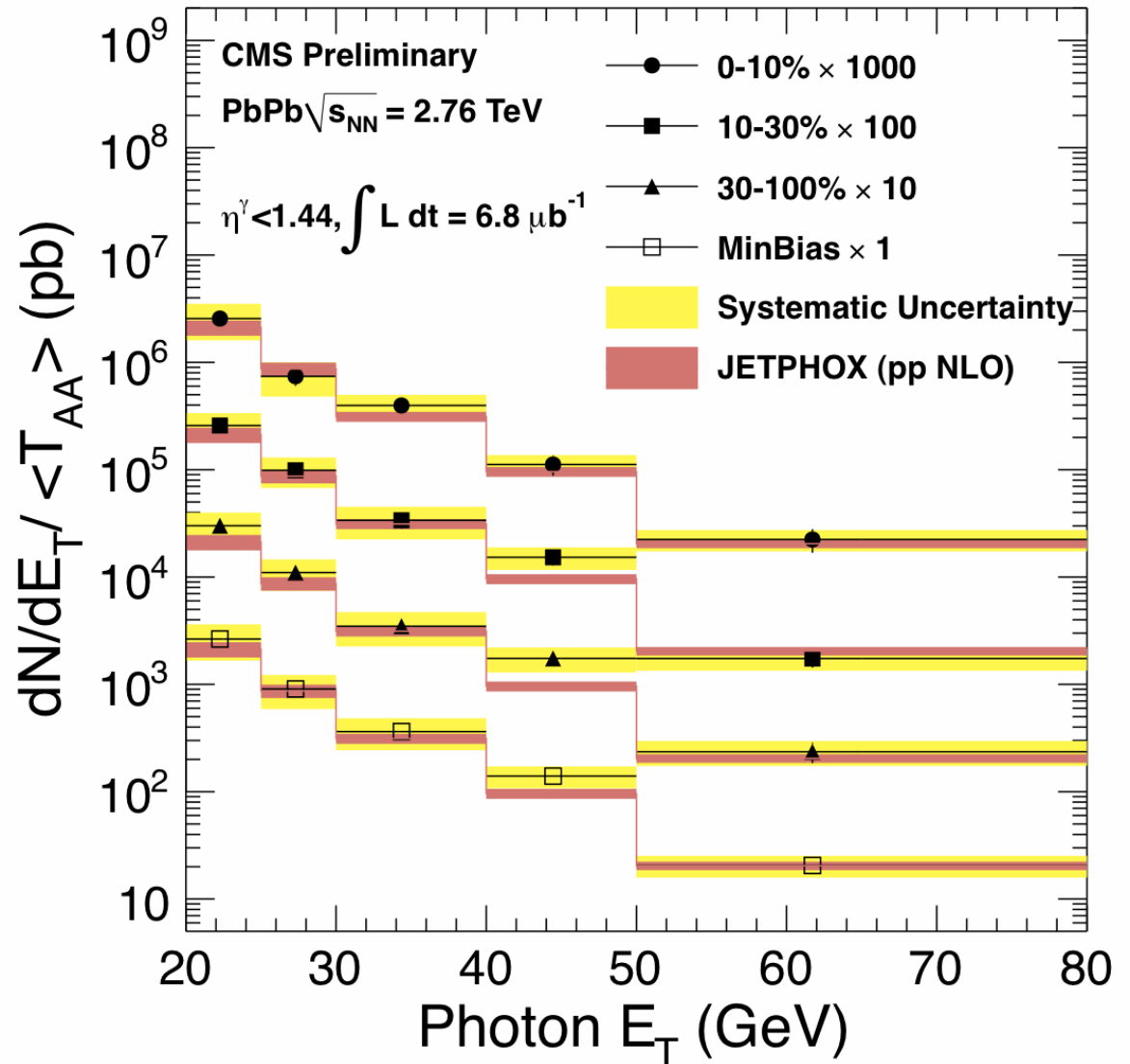
- Count photons using template methods
- Correction factors applied
  - Isolation efficiency : 70 – 90%
  - Acceptance : ~95%



- Now, PbPb **photon spectra** on next slide

# Isolated photon spectrum

- $dN/dE_T$  is scaled by  $T_{AA}$ 
  - $T_{AA}$  : tickness factor, the cross-section of N-N inside PbPb collision
- Systematic uncertainty is 21 – 37%
- Compared to pp reference



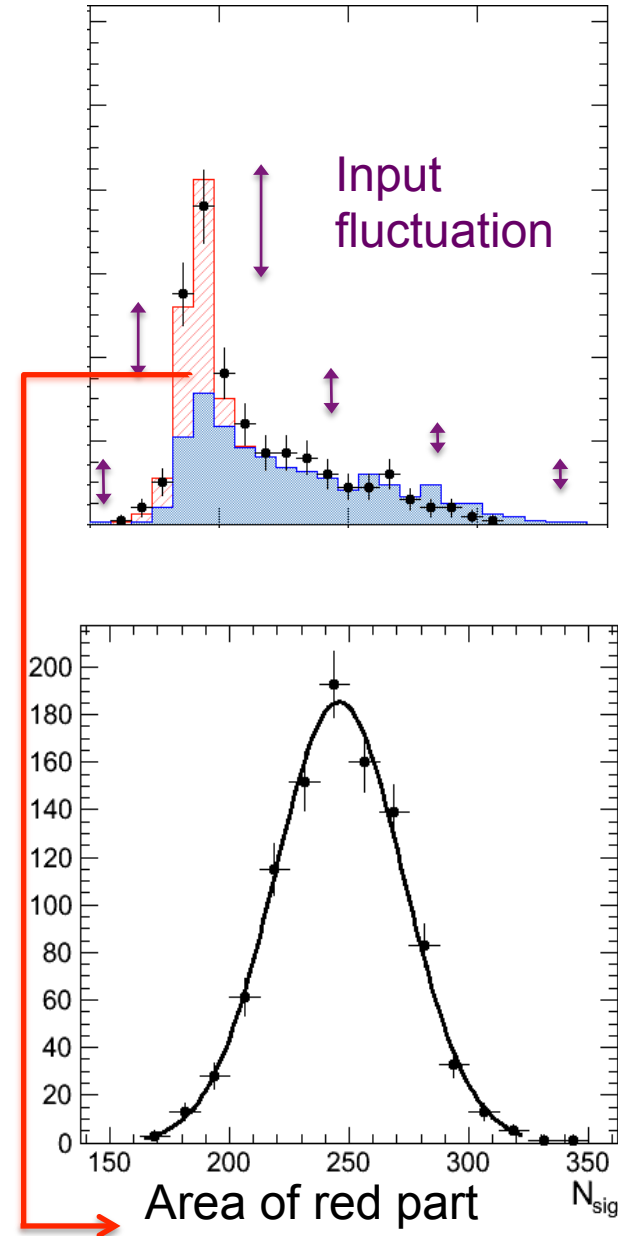
# Statistical uncertainty

- Toy MC study



- Artificially fluctuate the templates and data points according to Gaussian distribution
- After several times of re-fitting, check how the number of extracted signals (red area) are varied

1000  
repetition



# Systematic uncertainty

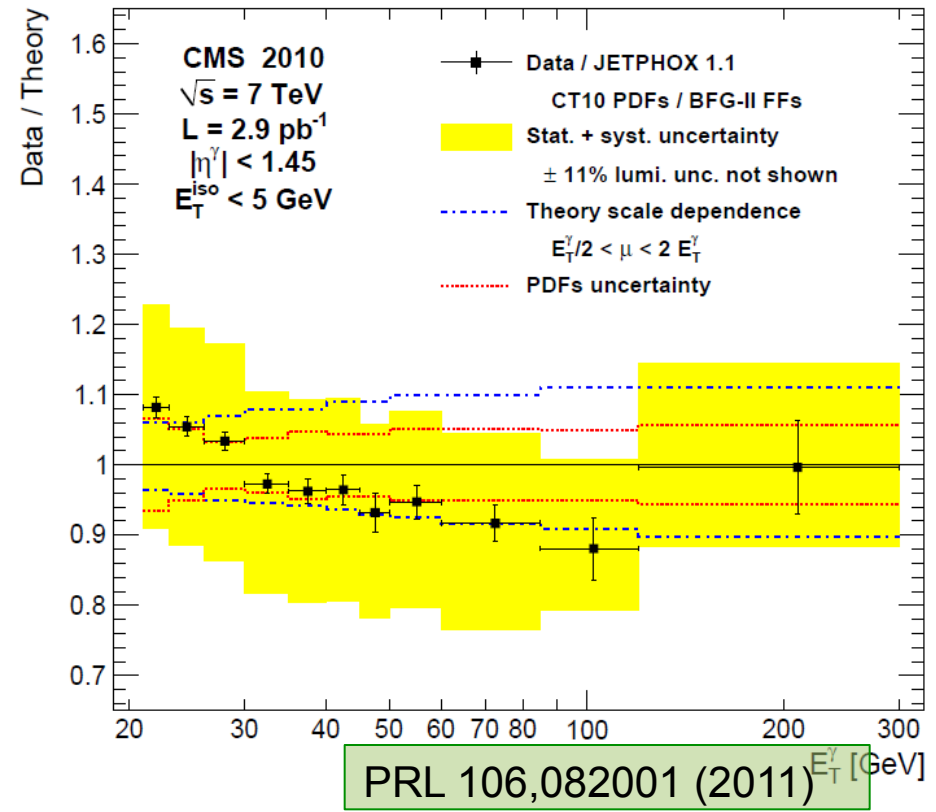
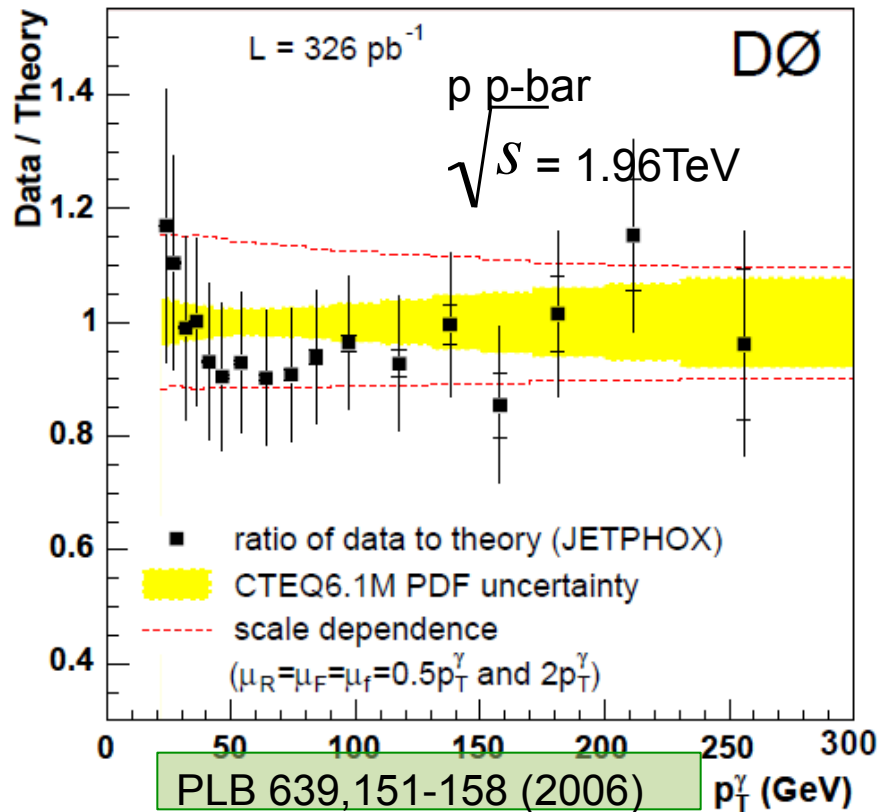
- Shower shape of photon signal obtained from MC
  - Slightly different shower shapes of MC and data
  - Compared electrons from  $Z \rightarrow ee$  events in MC vs data
  - 2 – 5% uncertainty propagates
- Shower shape of background from non-isolated probes in jets
  - Collinear particles around  $\pi^0$  and  $\eta$  may contaminate shower shape
  - MC study to check how much the results affected
  - 12 – 30% uncertainty
- **Overall systematic uncertainty 21 – 37%**
  - Including efficiency correction (5 – 9 %), energy resolution (10%), electron subtraction (4 – 8%), energy fluctuation on cluster (2 – 4%), etc

# pp reference

- **Need pp spectrum at 2.76TeV** as the denominator for  $R_{AA}$
- We have taken pp data from LHC, but not finished analysis.

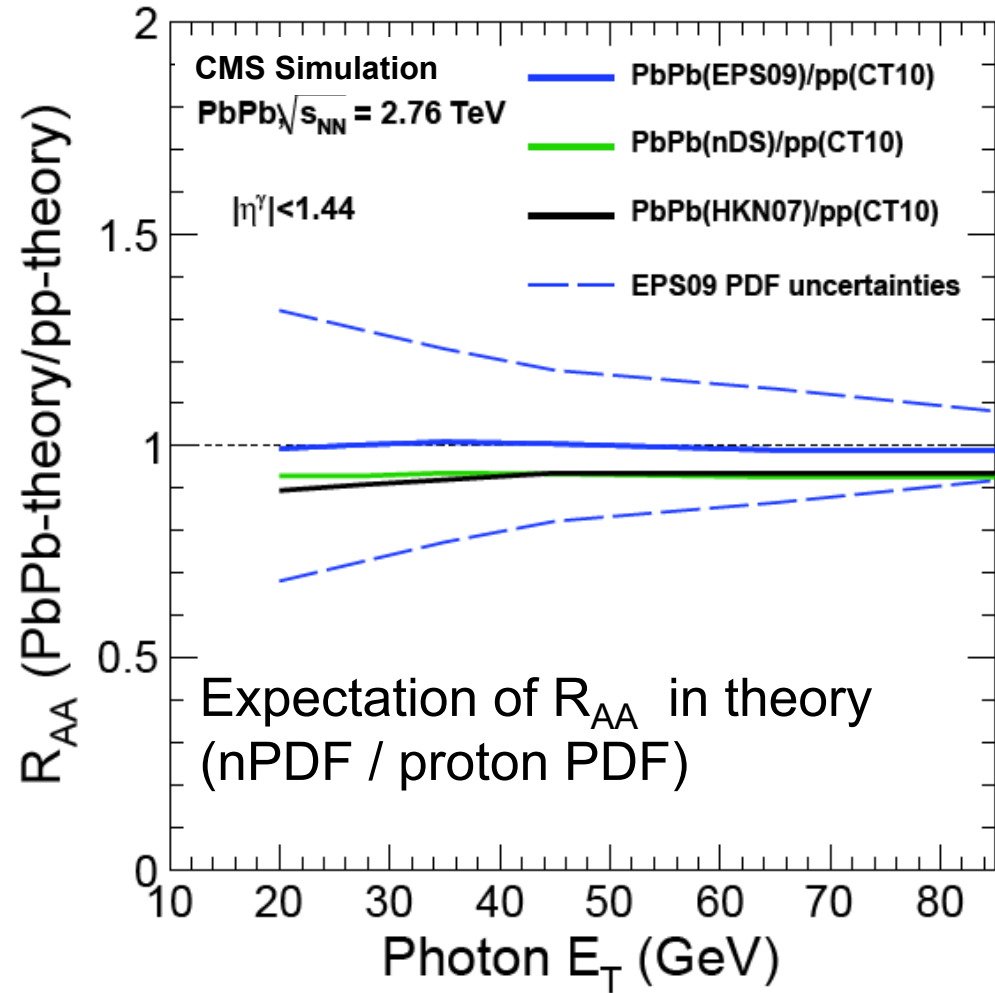
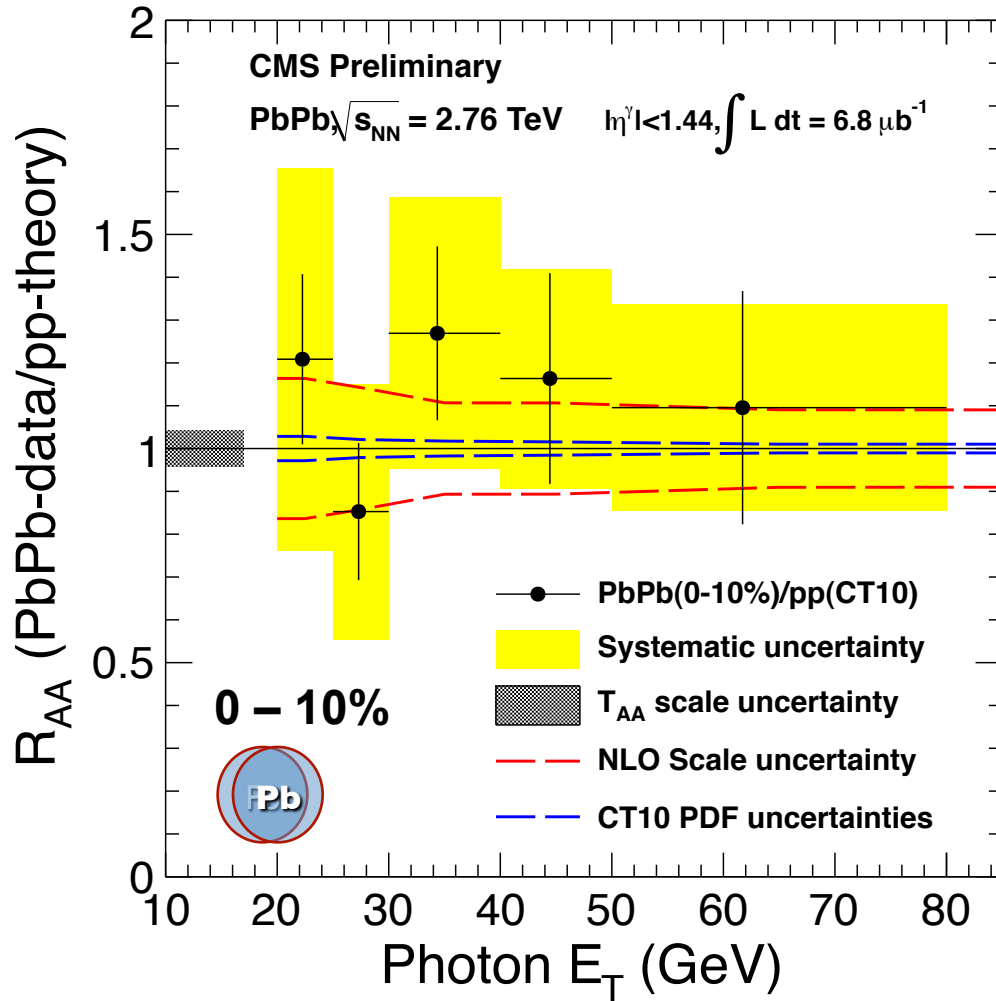
# pp reference from NLO calculation

- **JETPHOX** [JHEP 05 (2002) 028] NLO calculator
- CT10 PDFs and BFG-II fragmentation function
- Reasonable description of p+p(bar) at 7(1.96) TeV

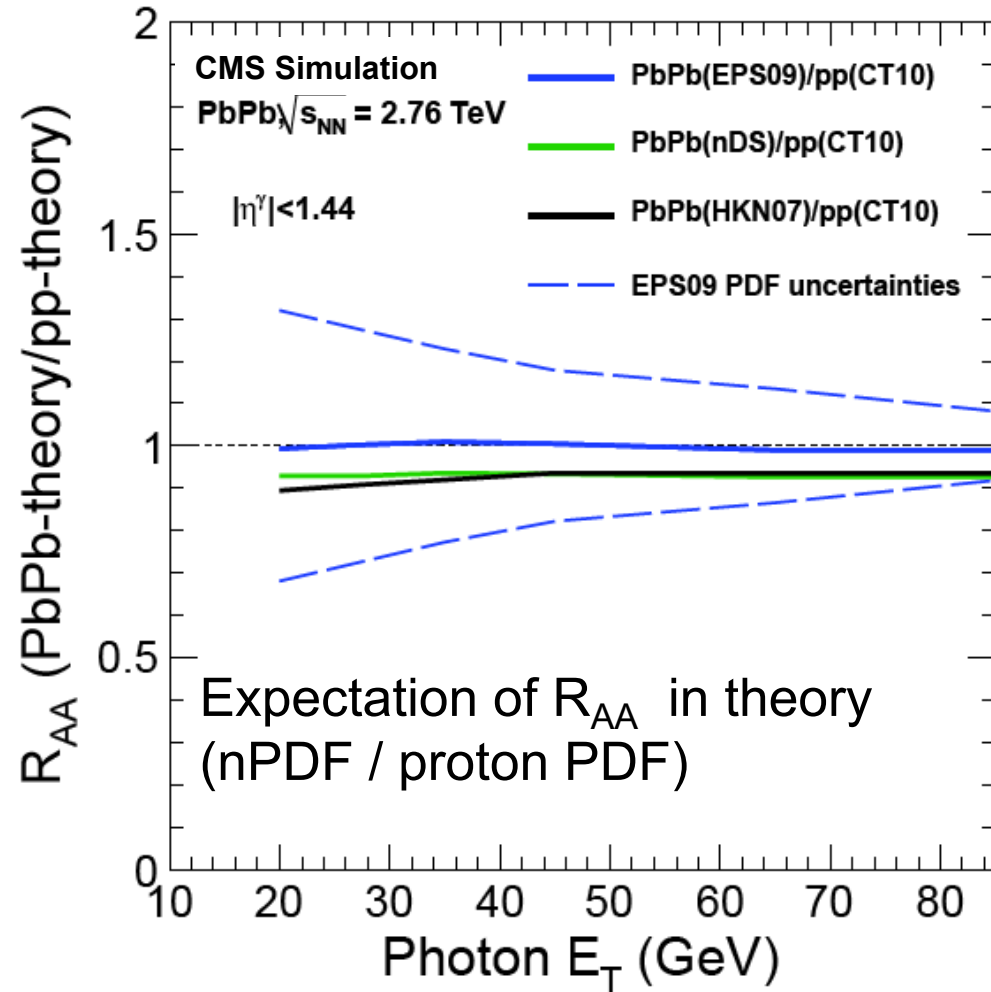
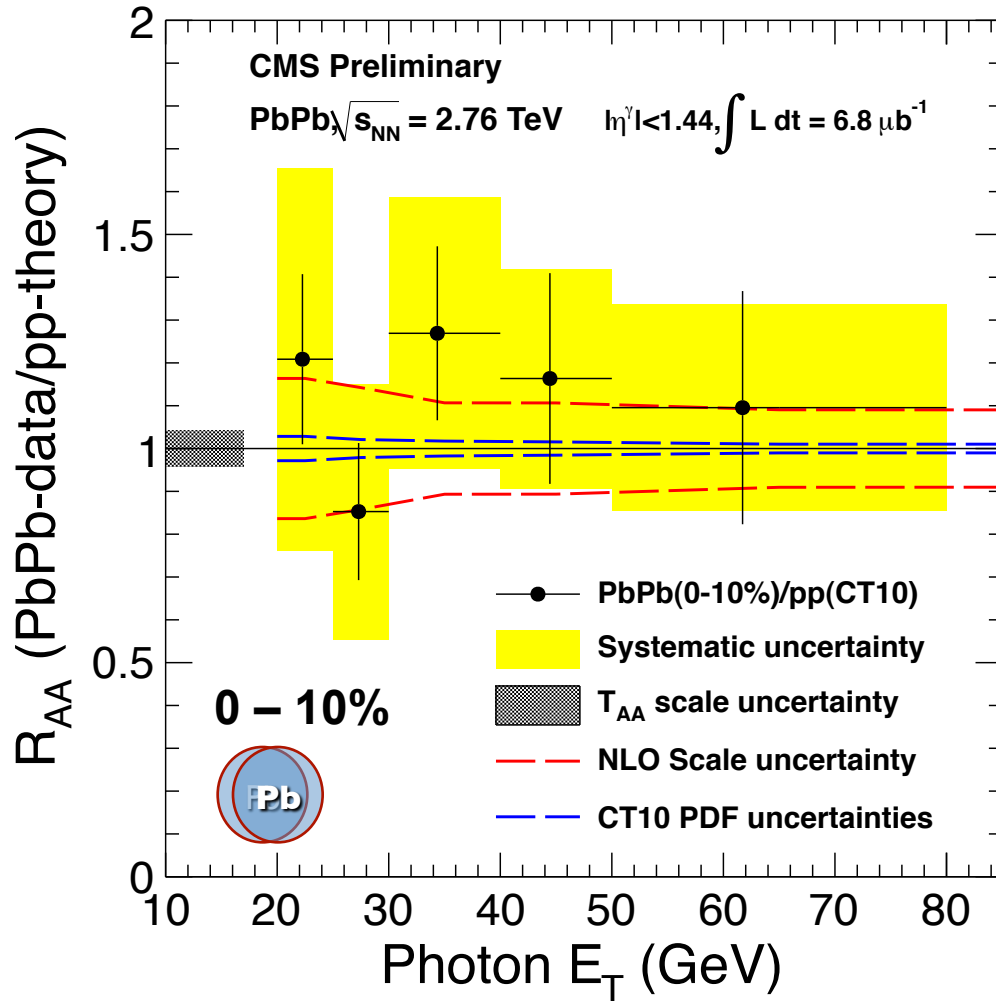




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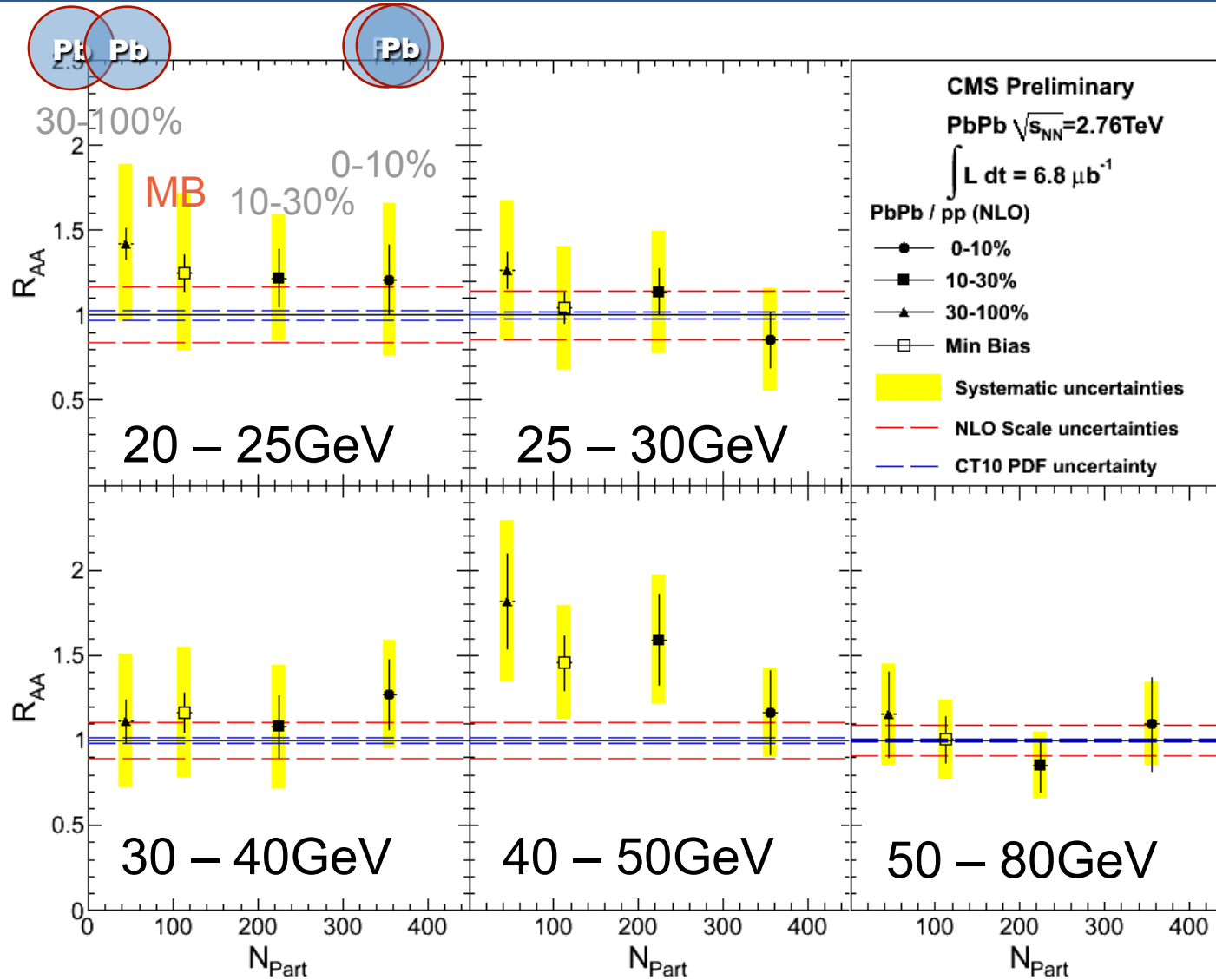
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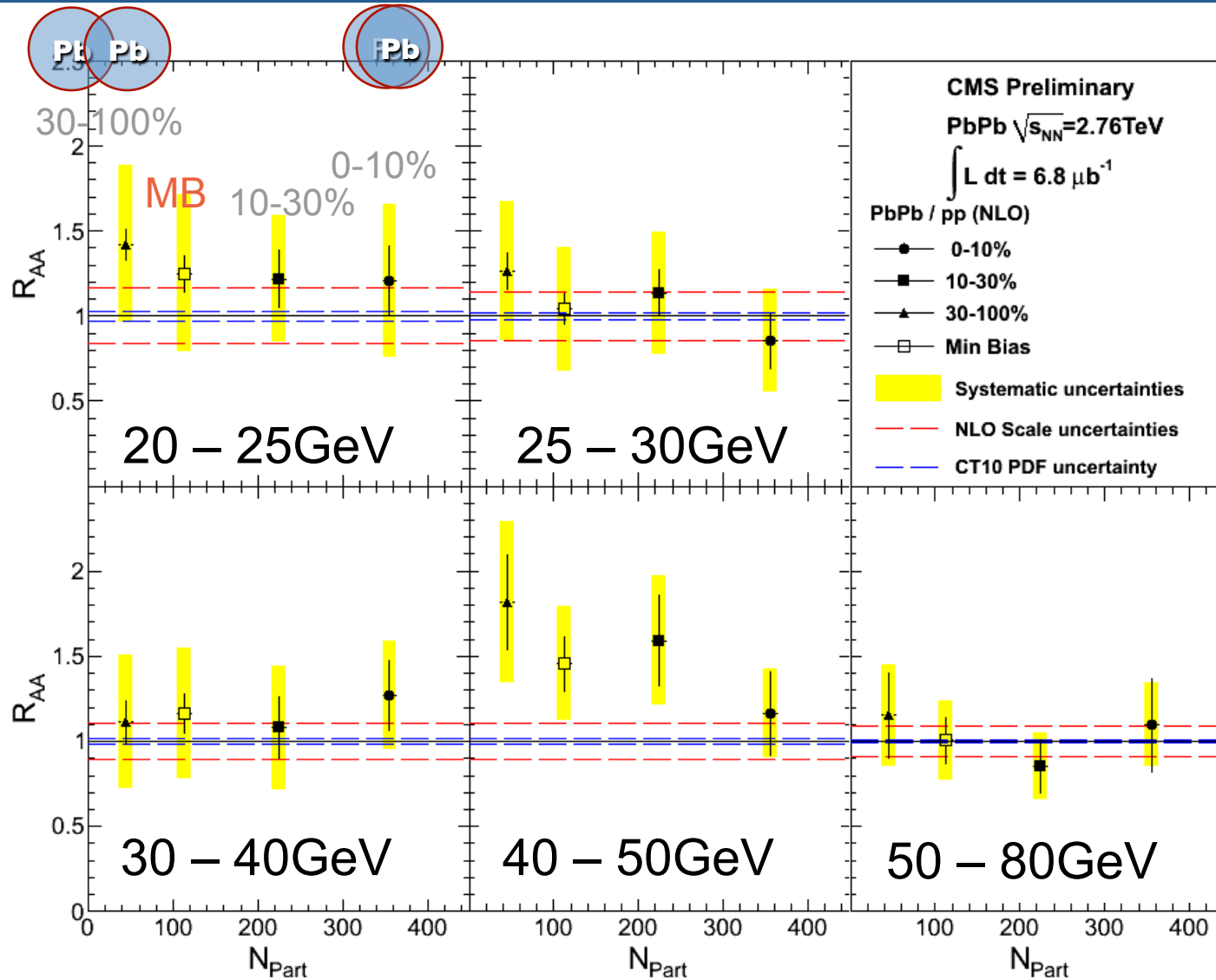
Message 1

**$R_{AA}$  vs.  $E_T$  is flat**

# $R_{AA}$ vs $N_{part}$



# $R_{AA}$ vs $N_{part}$



Message 2

**No dependence of  $R_{AA}$  on  $N_{part}$**

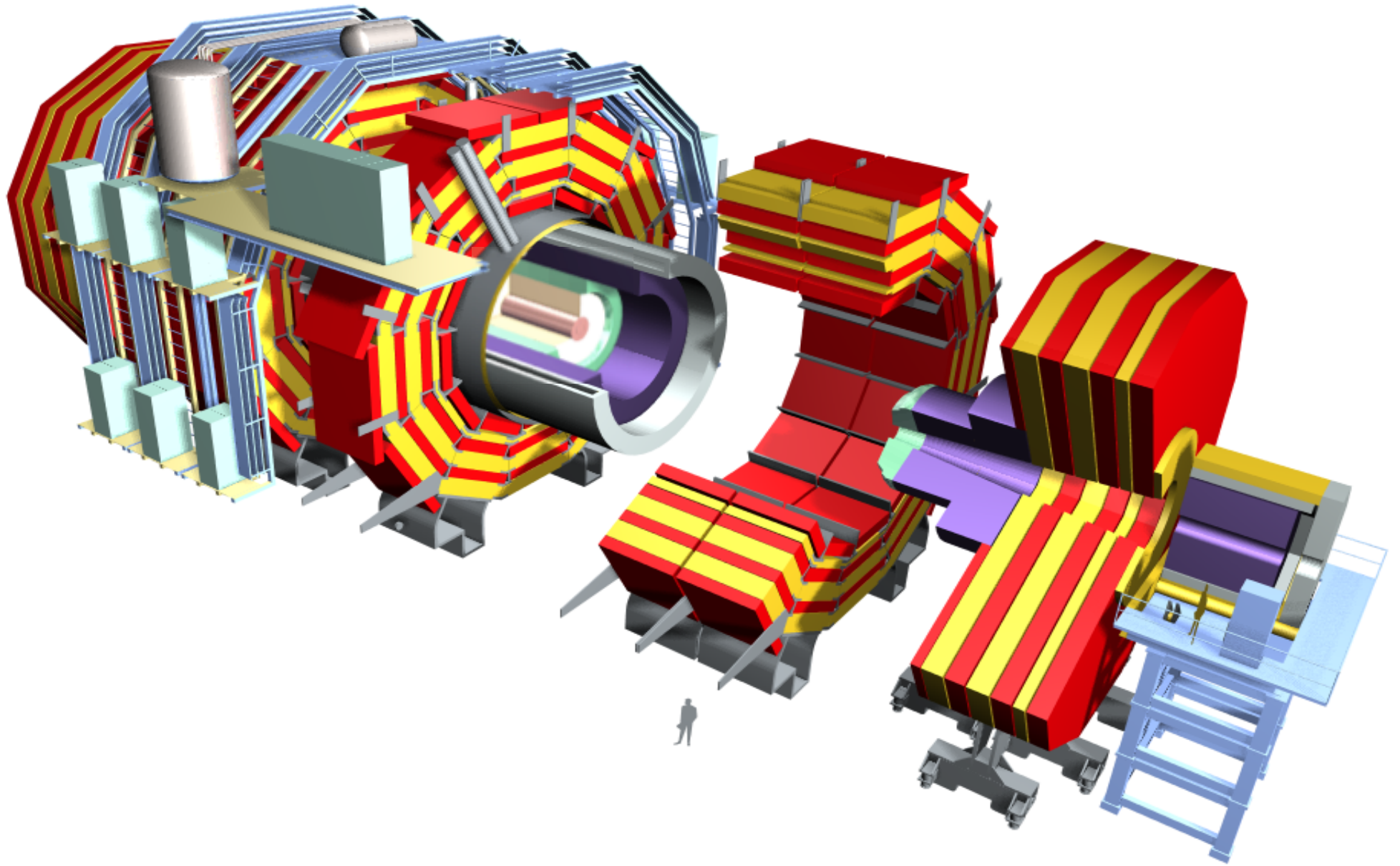
# Room for improvement

- More studies ongoing to reduce the **statistical uncertainty**
  - Current uncertainty assigned conservatively
- Better control of **background shower shape**
  - Parametrization of template would reduce huge uncertainty, especially in high  $p_T$ , where data-driven backgrounds are non-isolated  $\pi^0$  are not enough
- **pp data** is being analyzed
  - Expected uncertainty of 10%(stat), 10 – 15%(sys)

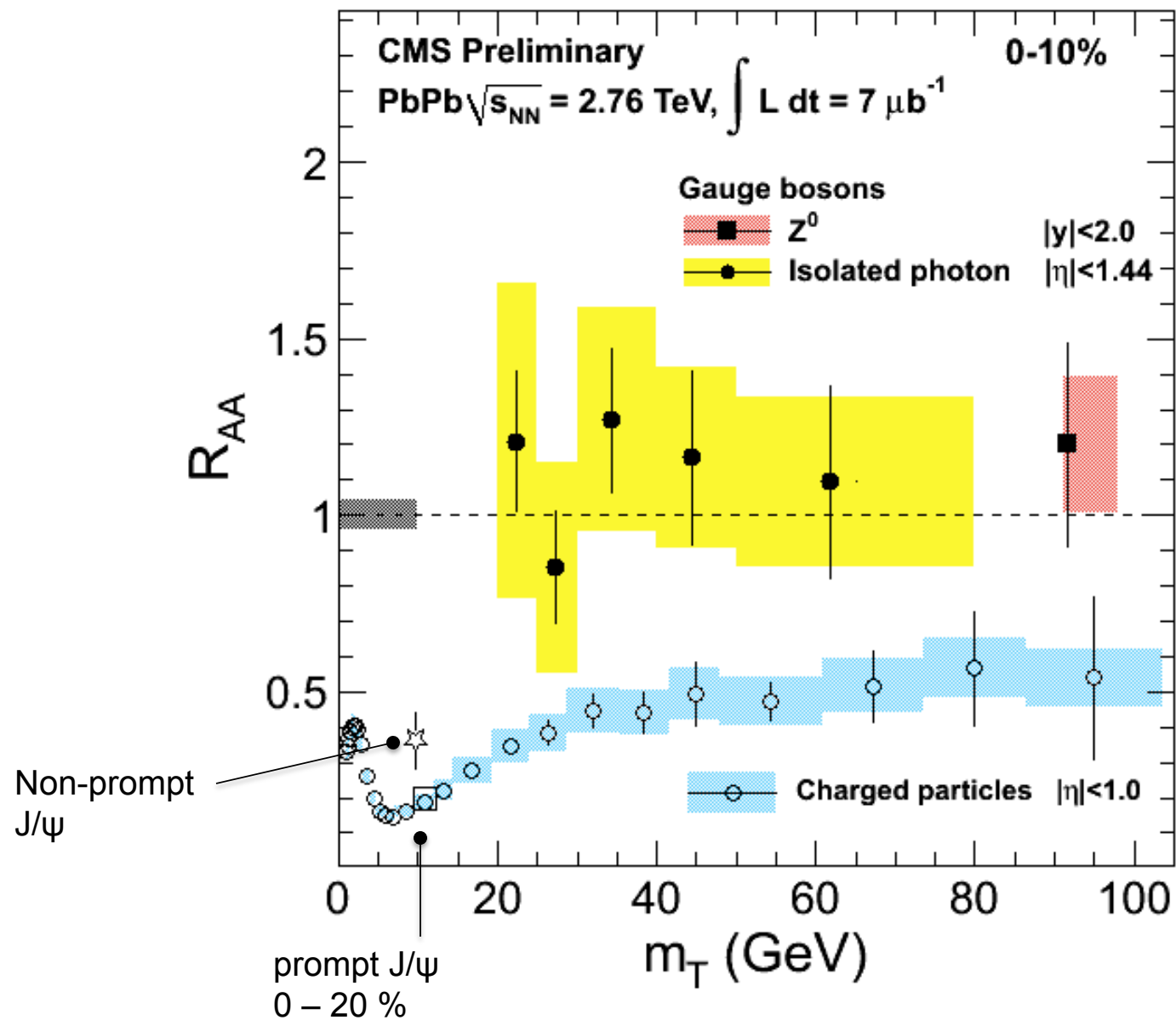
# Conclusion

- **First ever measurement** of isolated photon spectra in heavy ion collision experiment
- **No evidence of modification in the initial state** of hard scattering production in heavy ion collision
  - i.e. production of isolated photon is same as in pp multiplied by the number of binary collisions
- Establishes the basis for the future researches which use photons as unmodified hard probes
  - Inclusive photon spectrum (iso vs non-iso photon)
  - Gamma-jet correlation ( modification energy, shape, fragmentation of jet after photon tagging)

# BACKUP

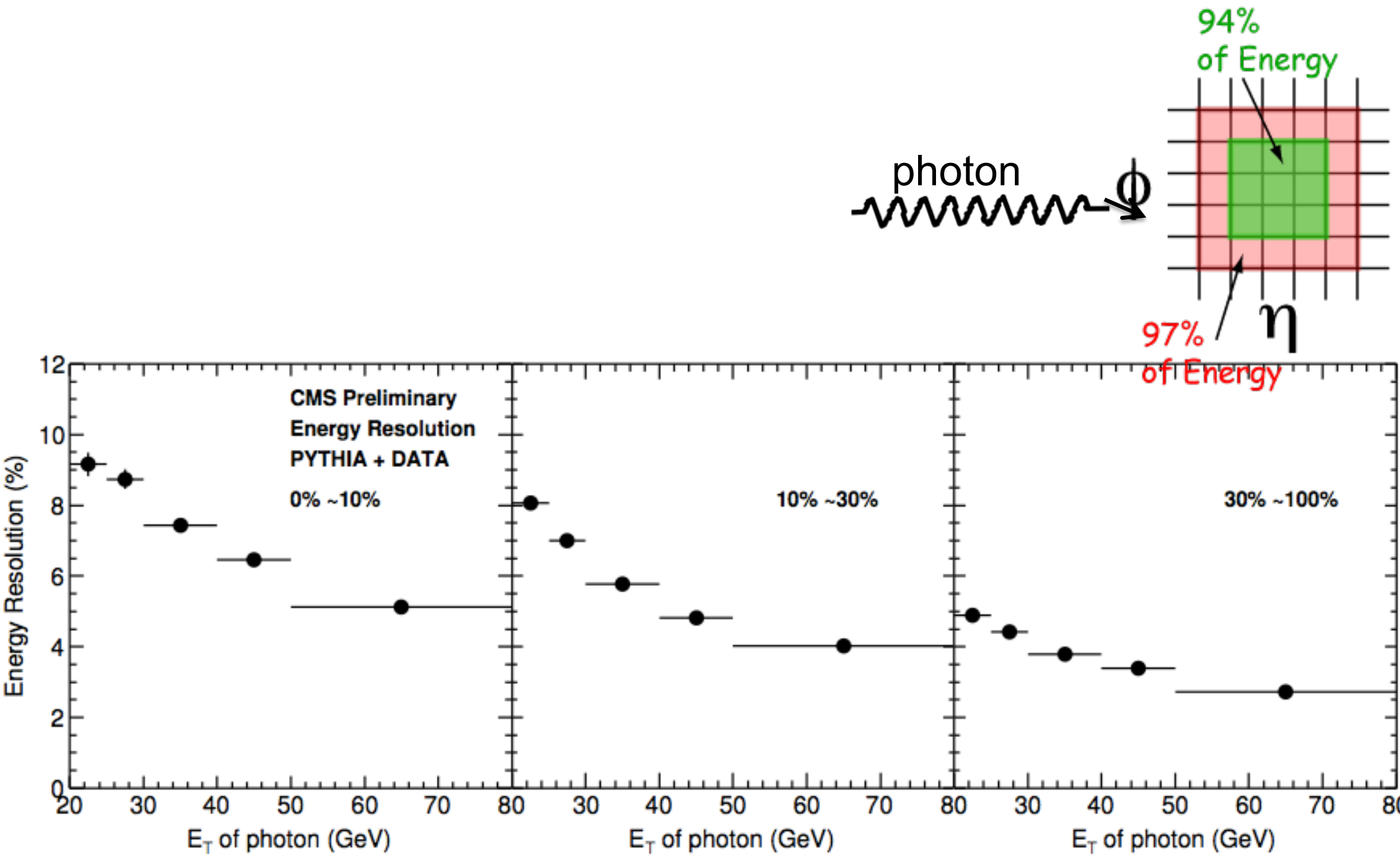


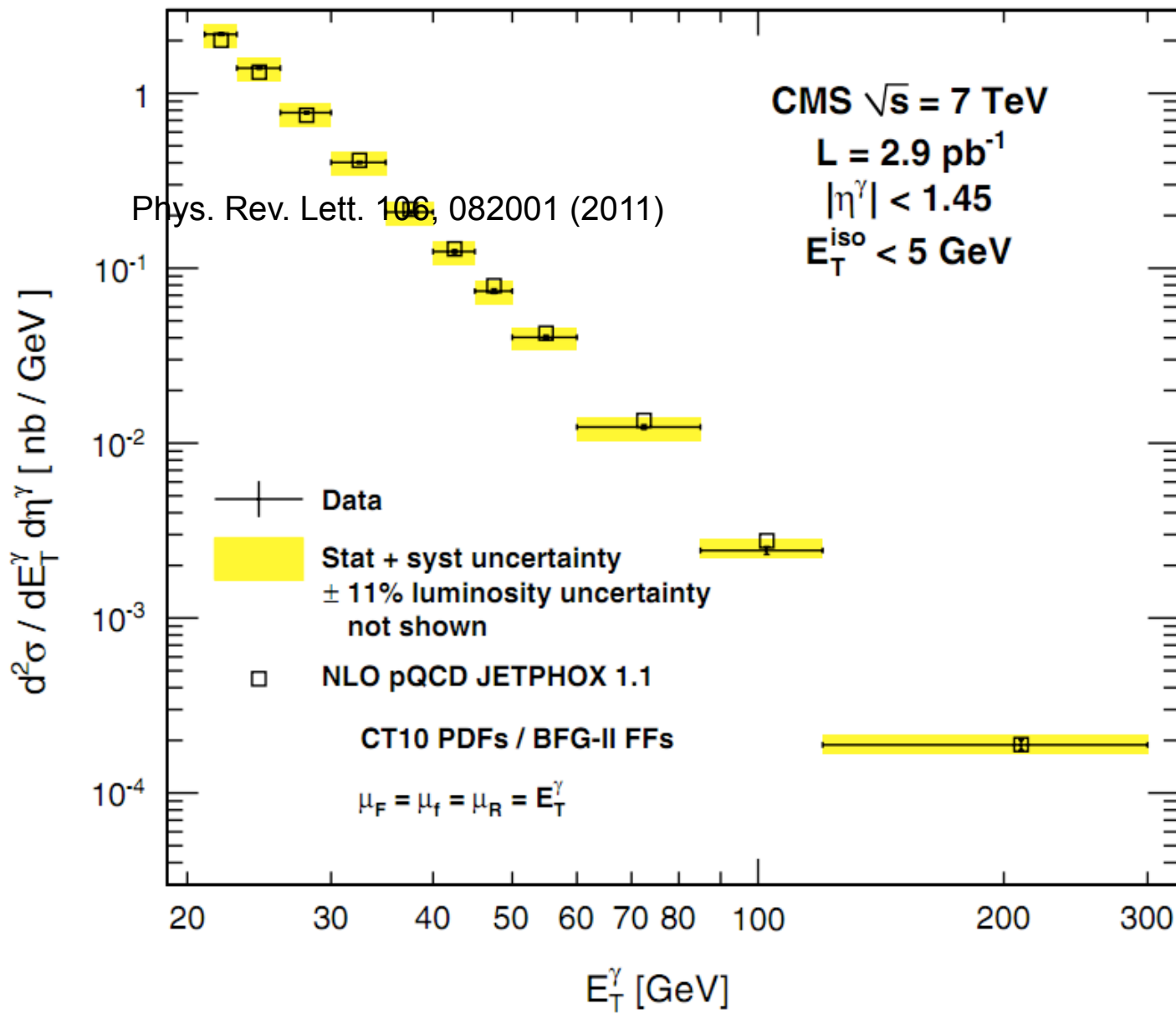
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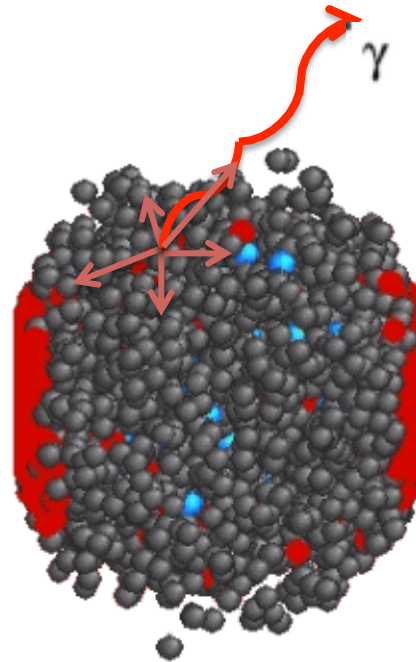




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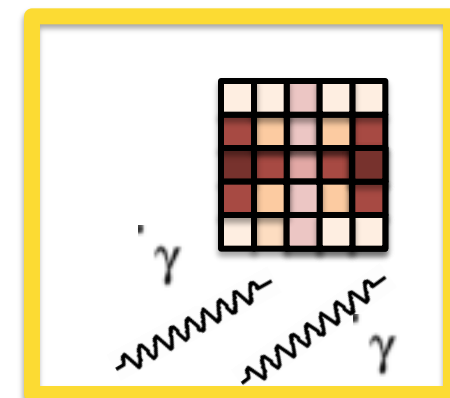
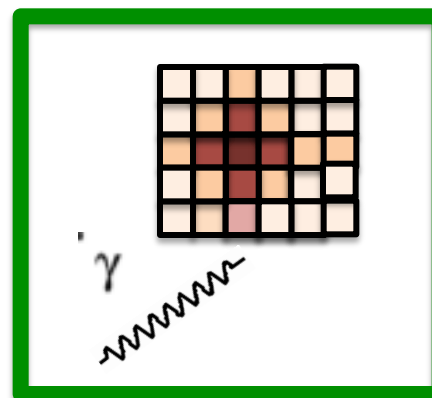






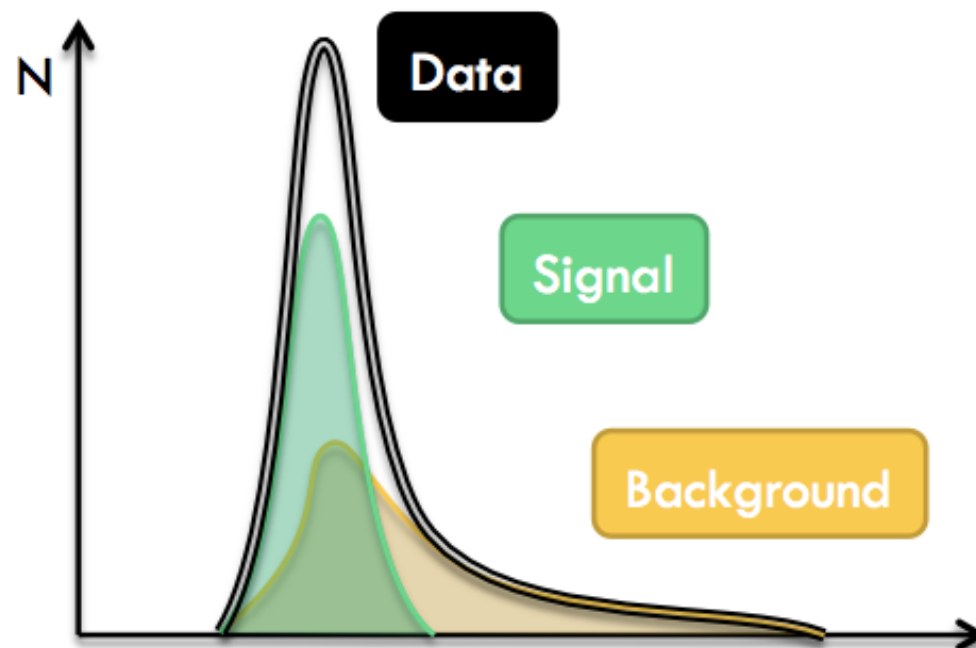
# Signal extraction

- Yet, after isolation cut, there are pi0s and eta which are fragmented in Jet with high-z.
- We used statistical approach by quantifying the shower shape on EM calorimeter thanks to fine segments.



$$\sigma_{\eta\eta}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{25} w_i (\eta_i - \bar{\eta})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{25} w_i}$$

$$w_i = \max(0, 4.7 + \ln(E_i/E))$$



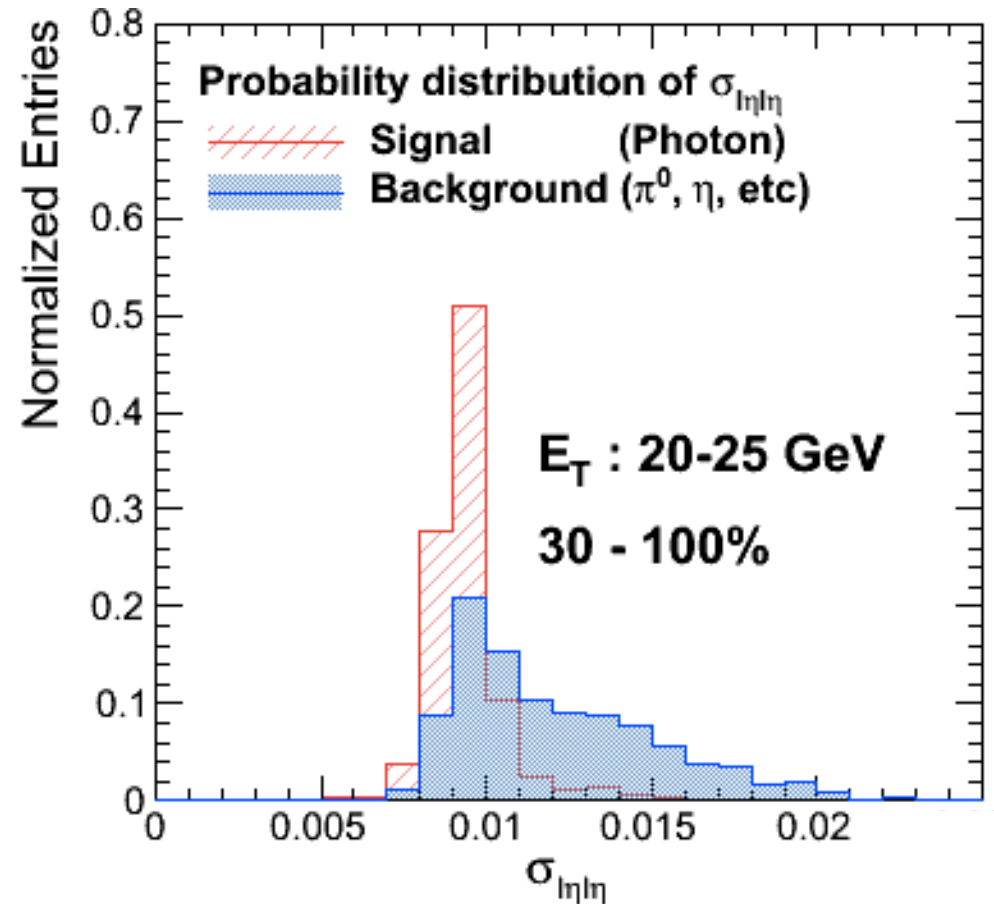
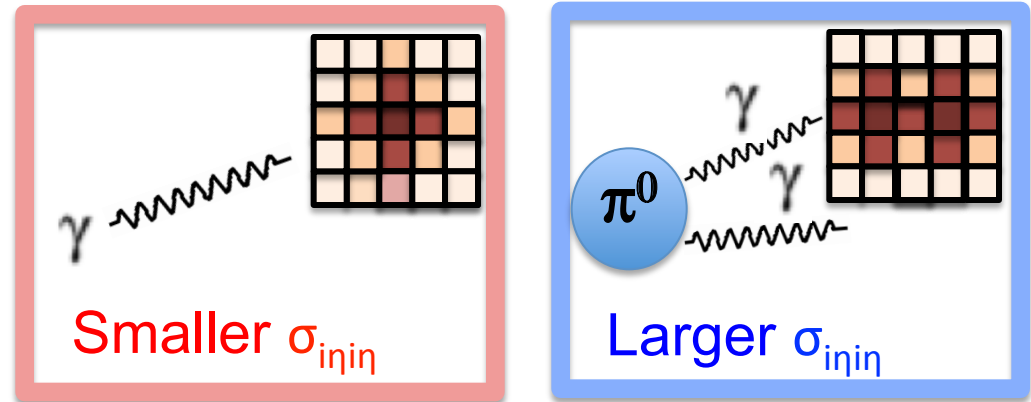
# Signal extraction

- Even after isolation cut, isolated  $\pi^0$  and  $\eta$  remained. (fragmented in jets with high-z)
- Statistical approach to separate photons from them, by quantifying shower shape on Ecal crystals.

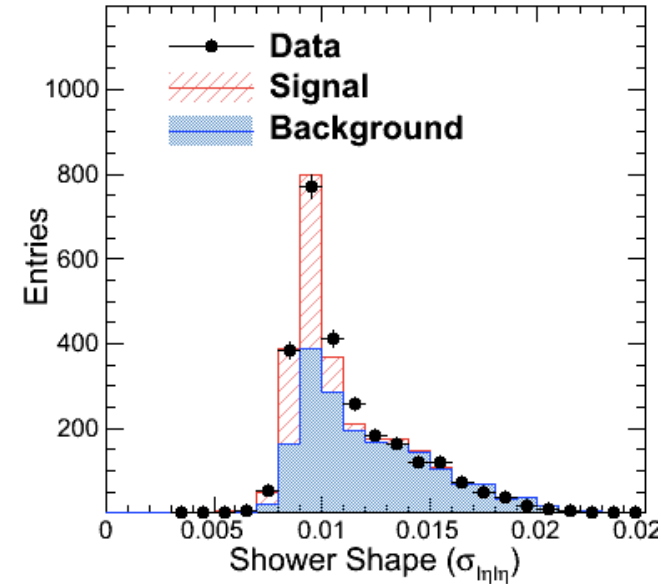
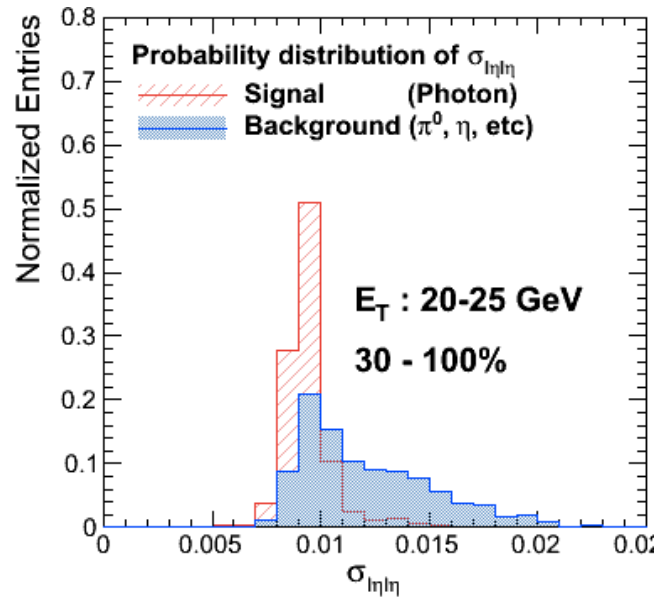
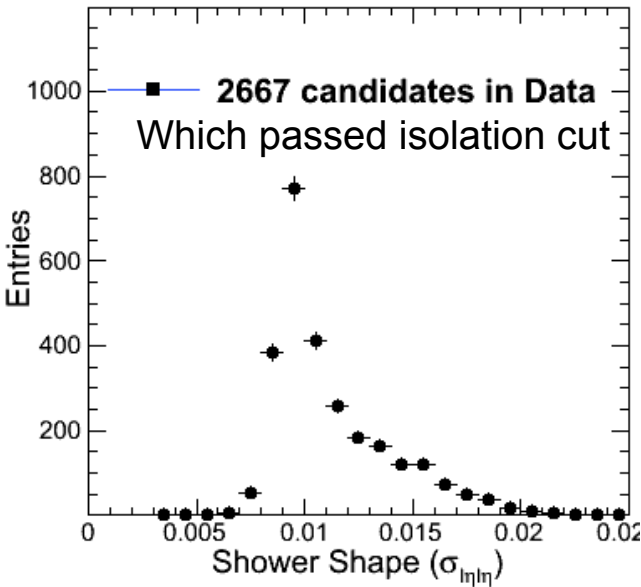
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- Probability distribution function of this value is called **Template**.



# Signal extraction



How many are signals  
out of 2667 candidates?



Fit with signal and  
background templates



802 are isolated  
photons

- **Signal template**
- Data-driven **Background template** from non-isolated  $\pi^0$  and  $\eta$  in data.