

# Charged Particle Multiplicities & Correlations

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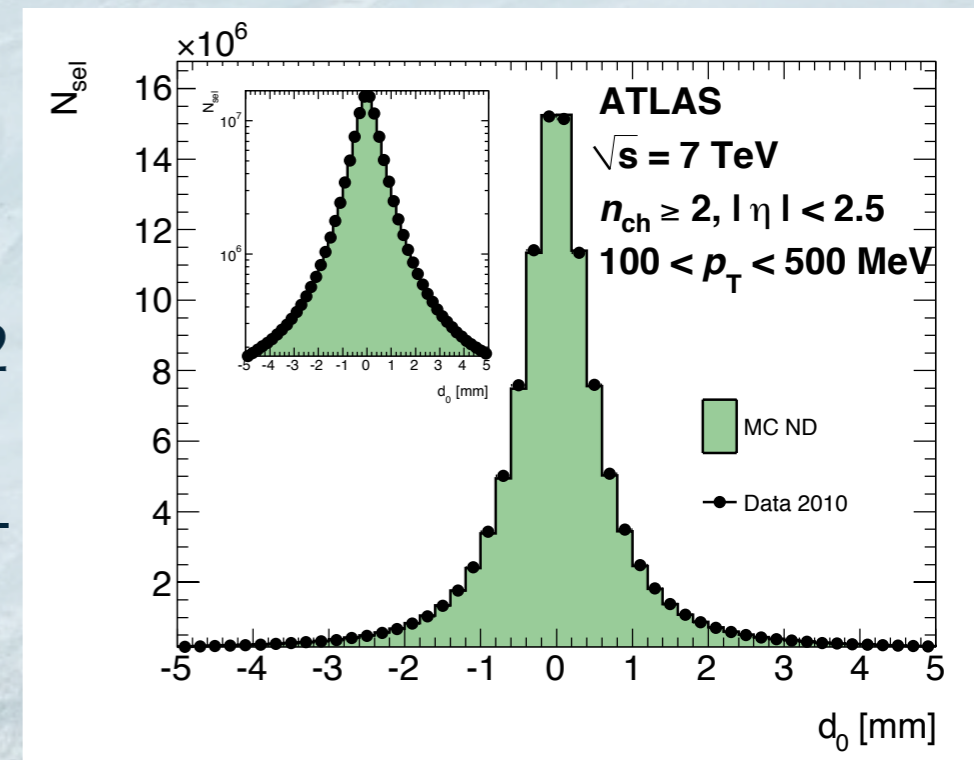
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# Charged Particle Multiplicities

- Minimum Bias events - the “average” event at the LHC
- Such events are useful for validating and tuning models of particle production. Help deal with pile-up, soft backgrounds...
- Look at distributions of the number of charged particles per event and the  $\eta$  and  $p_T$  distributions of those particles.

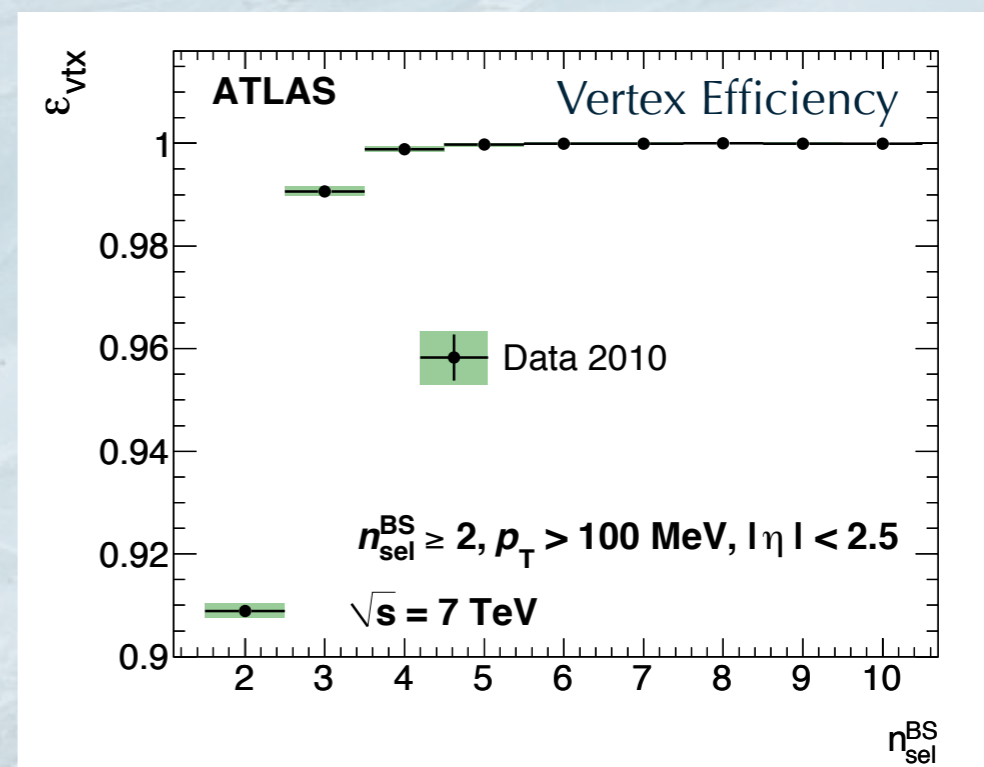
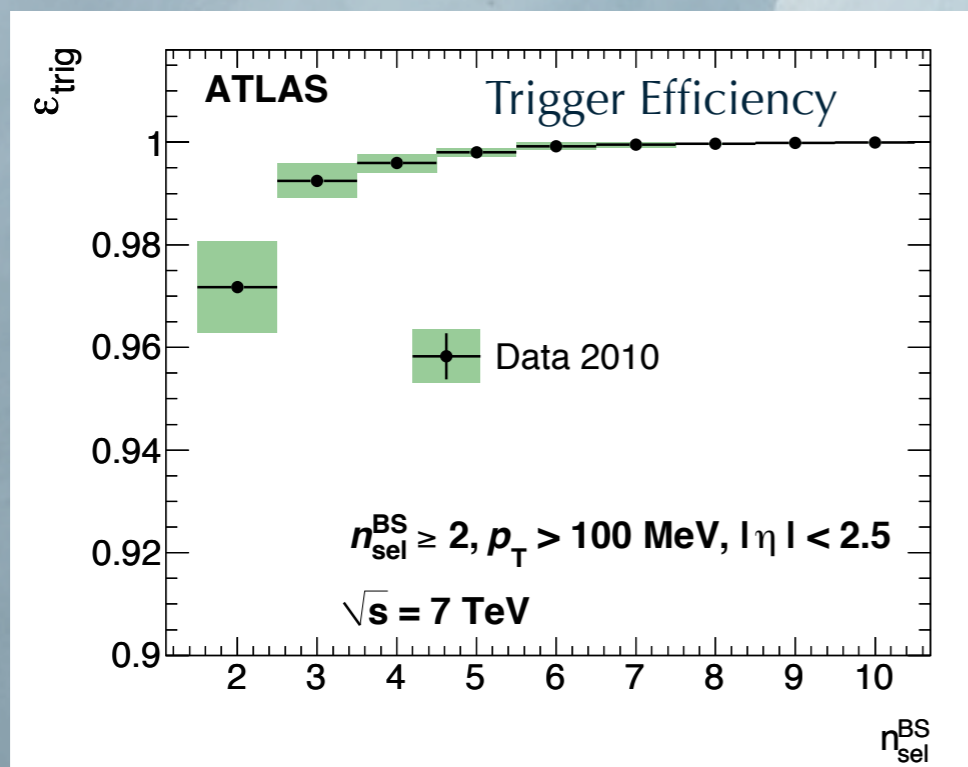
# Analysis Cuts

- Analysis uses charged tracks from ATLAS' 2010 Min Bias data set (as in arxiv: 1012.5104)
- Single arm min bias trigger ("MBTS\_1")
- Exactly one primary vertex. Veto pile-up vertices with  $> 4$  tracks
- Tracks with:
  - Track quality cuts (pixel, SCT and layer-0 hits, track fit probability...)
  - Longitudinal impact parameter  $z_0 * \sin(\theta) < 1.5$  mm
  - Transverse impact parameter  $d_0 < 1.5$  mm
  - $\eta < 2.5$
- Track pT cuts of 1 track with  $p_T > 500$  MeV or 2 tracks with  $p_T > 100$  MeV or 6 tracks with  $p_T > 500$  MeV (i.e. three different kinematic regions - different sensitivity to diffraction)
- Data at 900 GeV, 2.36 TeV and 7 TeV



# Correcting for Vertexing and Trigger Efficiencies

- Each event is given a weight that is  $1/(E_V E_T)$ , where  $E_V$  is the vertexing efficiency and  $E_T$  is the trigger efficiency for the event.
- Efficiency is found as a function of the number of tracks
- Track reconstruction efficiency is corrected for by weighting each track by  $1/E(p_T, \eta)$ , where  $E(p_T, \eta)$  is the tracking efficiency for a single charged particle



# Bayesian unfolding of $N_{ch}$

- The observed number of charged tracks is corrected using a Bayesian technique
- Use Monte Carlo to create a matrix expressing the probabilities that  $N_{sel}$  observed tracks are due to  $N_{ch}$  true charged particles
- Apply that matrix to data and then re-derive it from the corrected data.
- Four such iterations

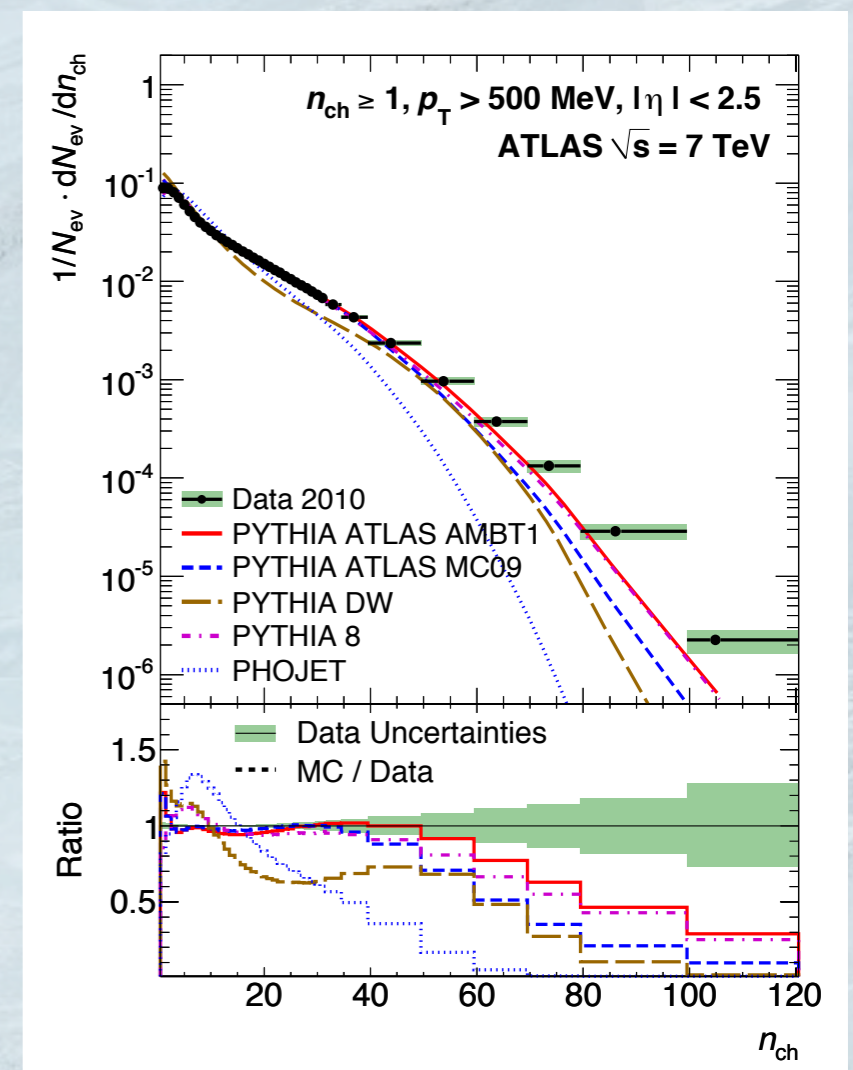
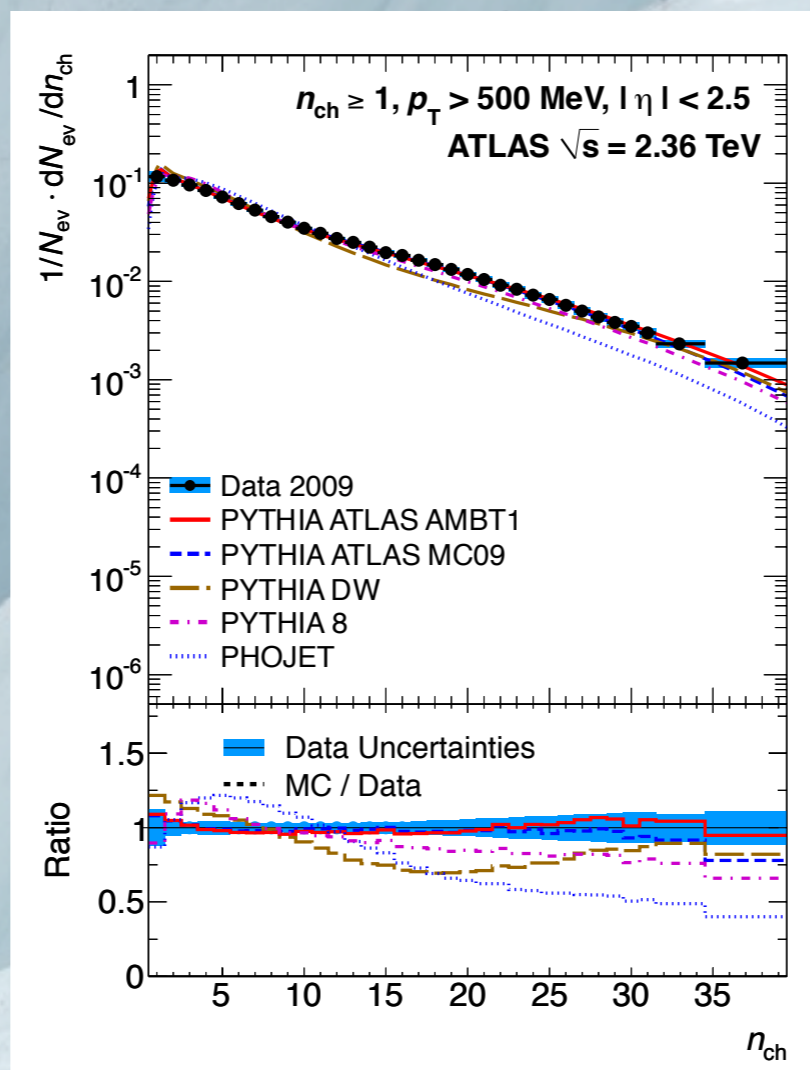
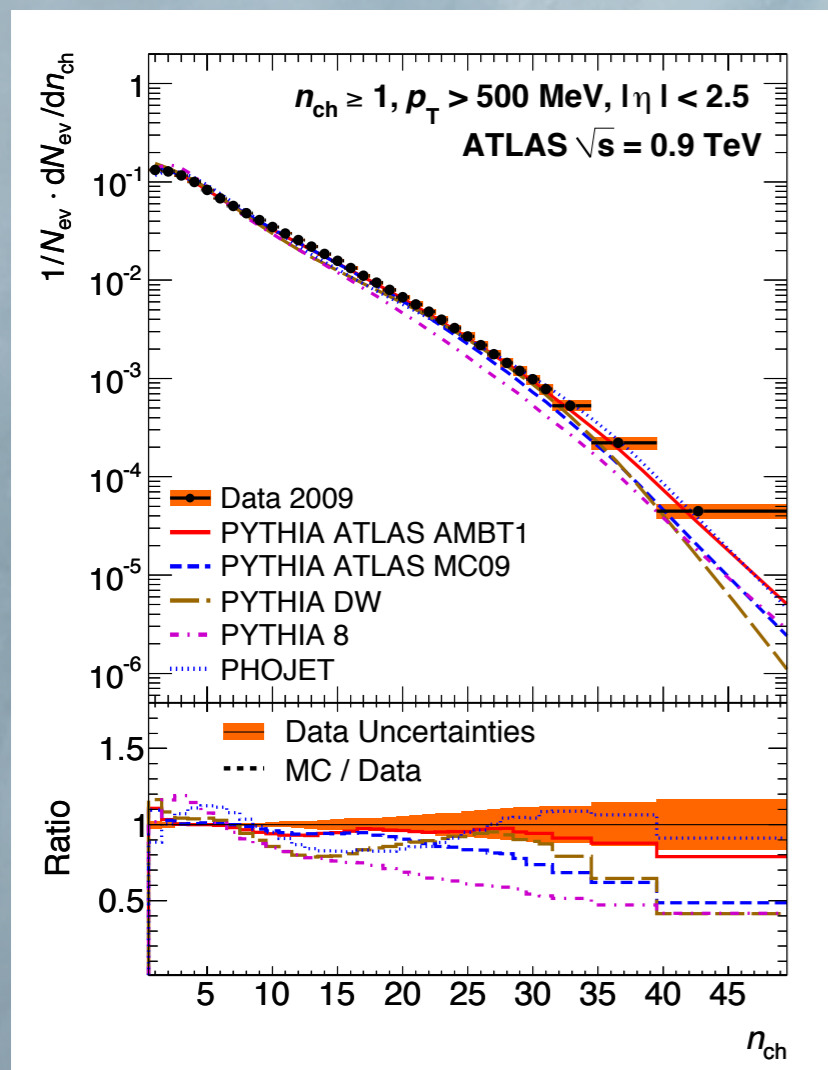
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## Charged particle multiplicities

900 GeV

2.36 TeV

7 TeV



Using events with at least 1 track with  $p_{\text{T}} > 500 \text{ MeV}$

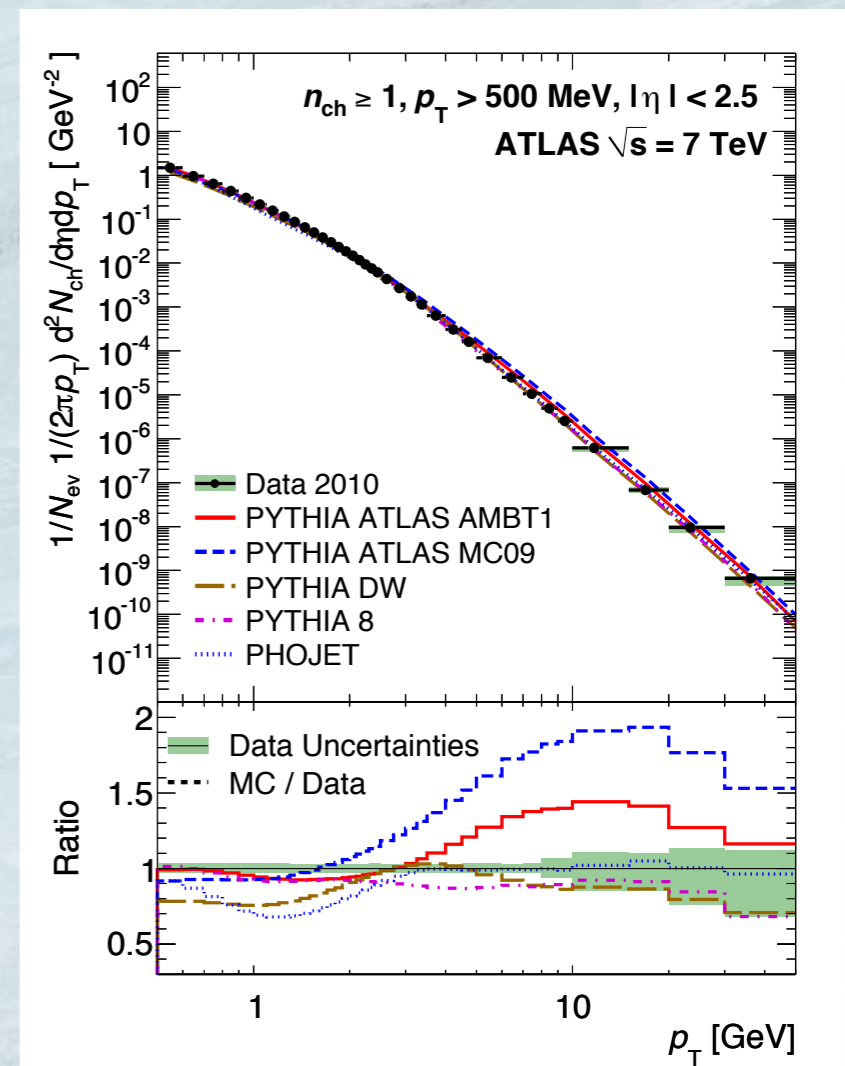
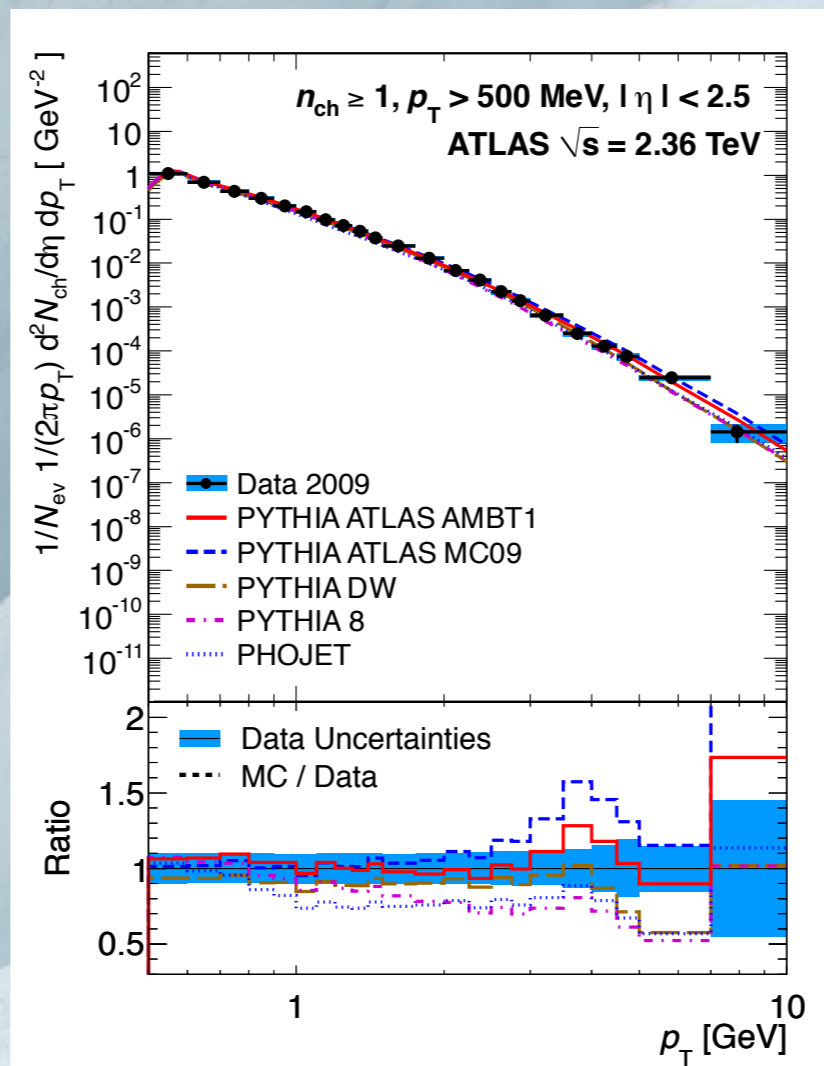
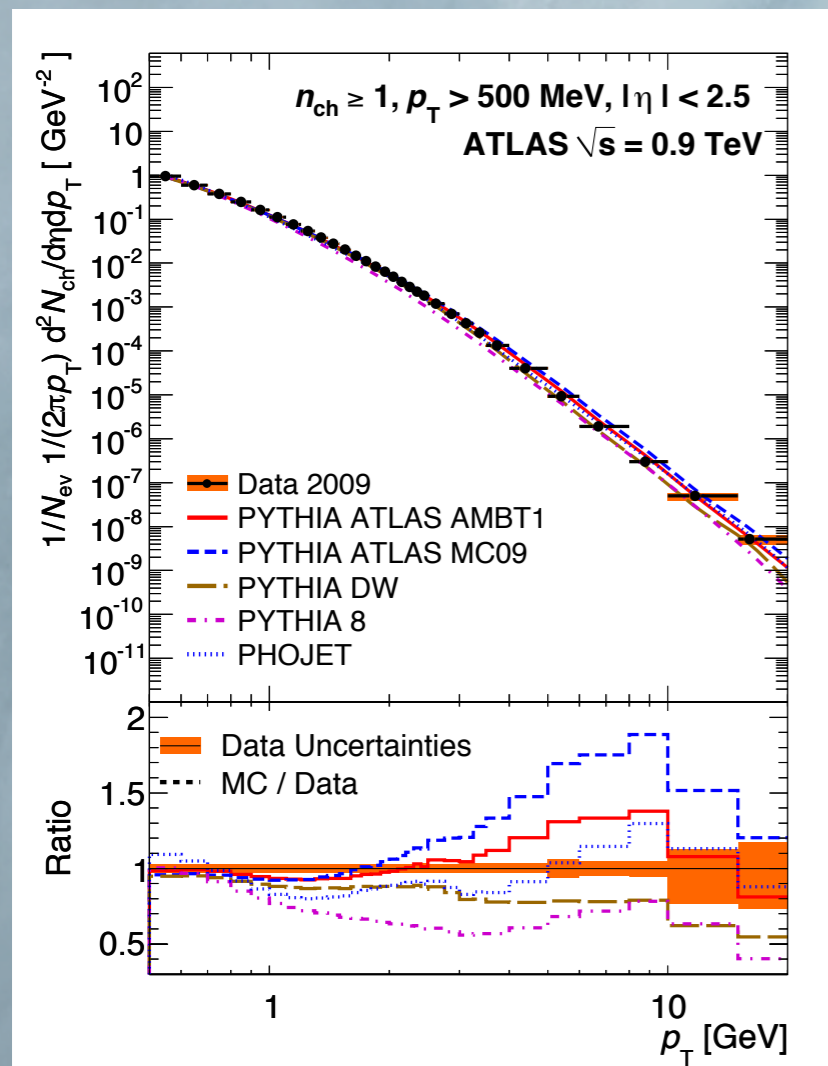
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## pT dependence of charged particle multiplicities

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7 TeV



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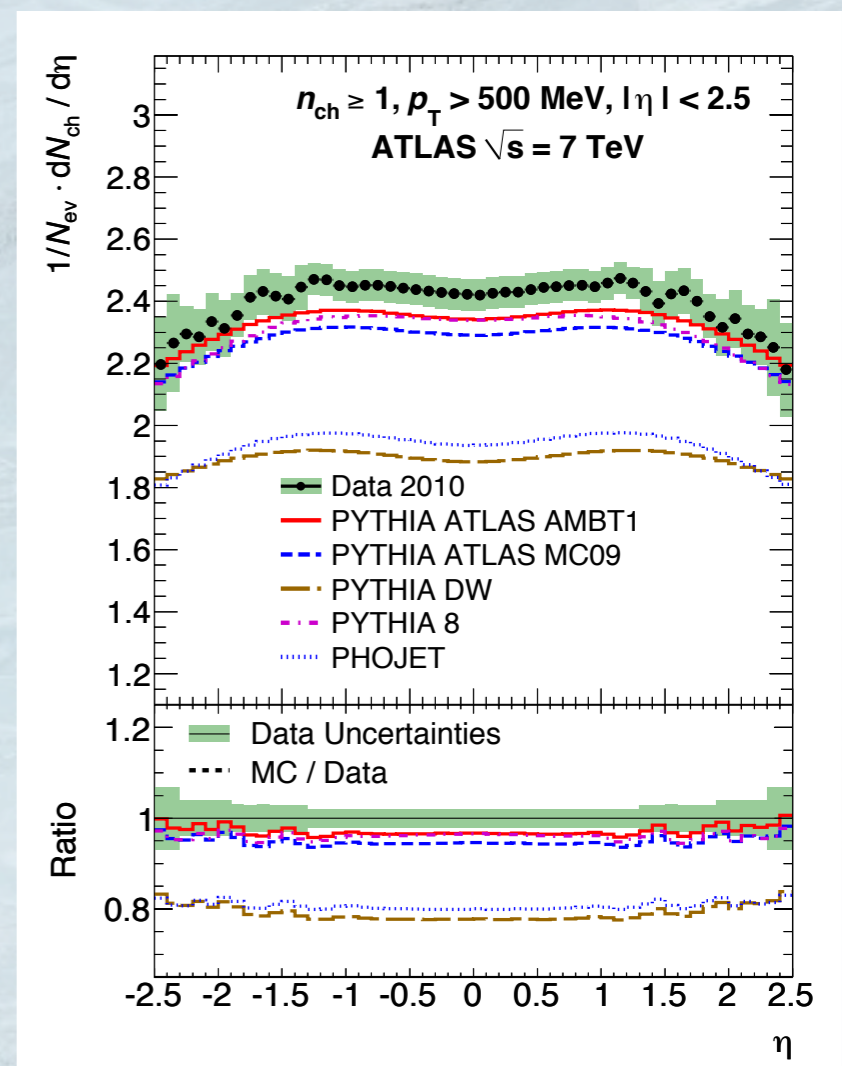
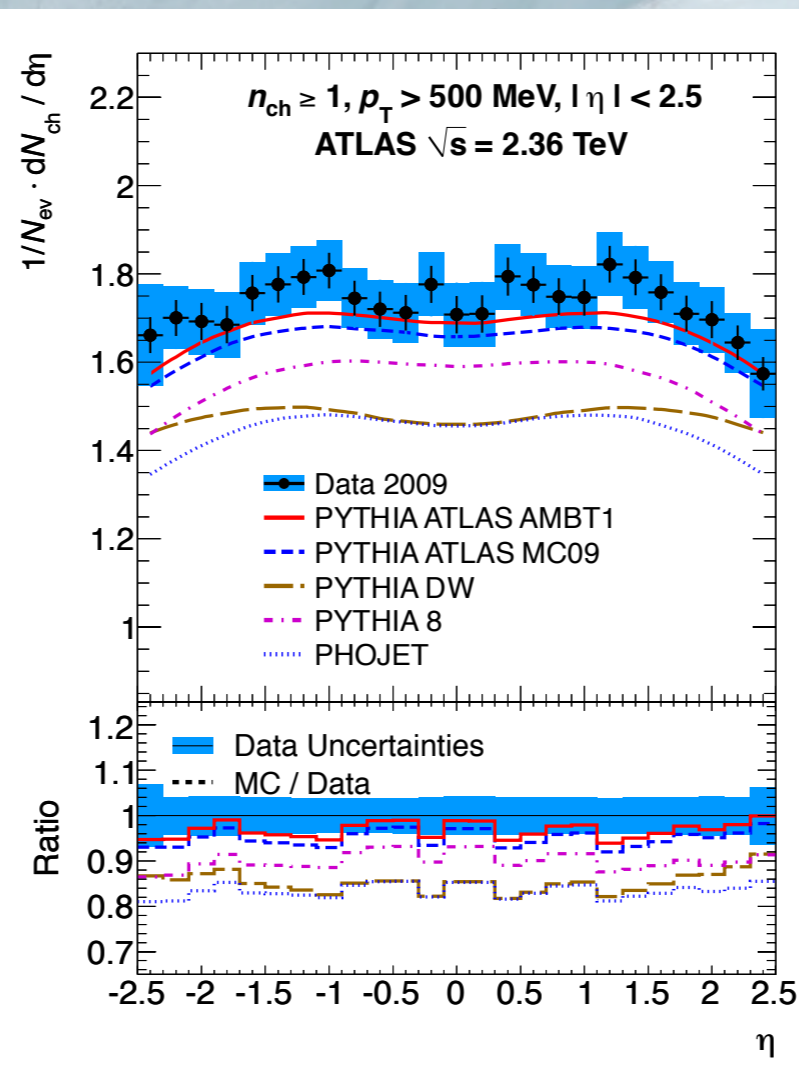
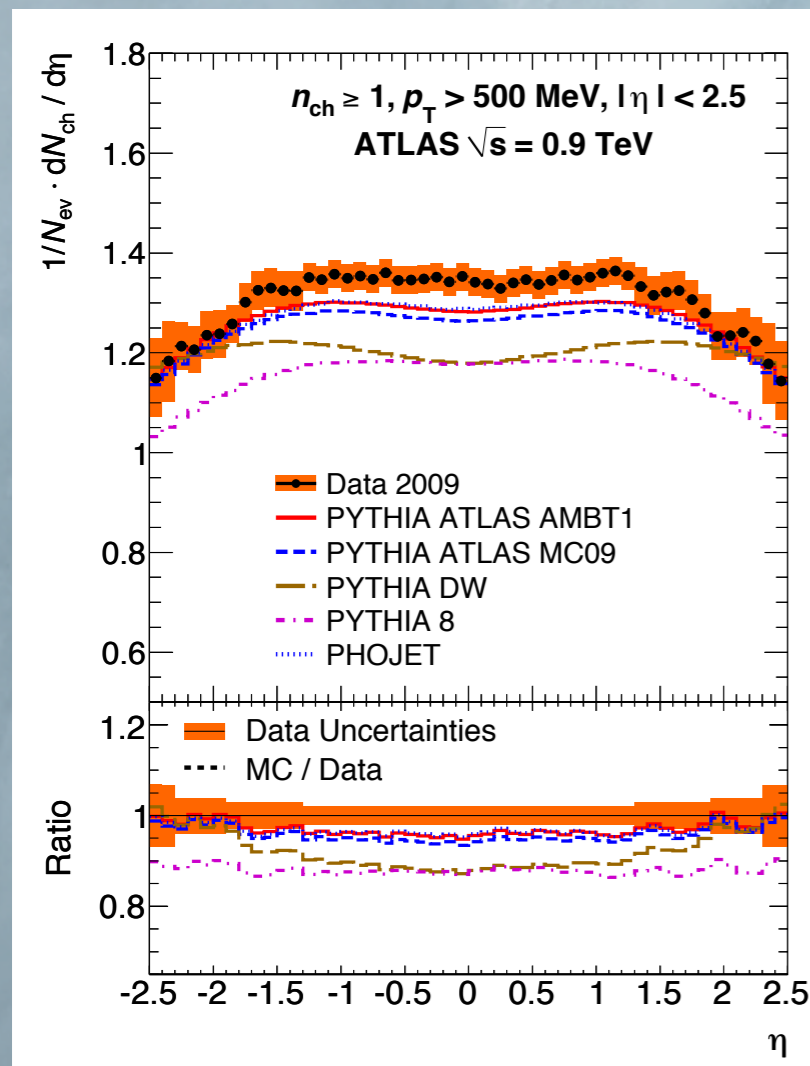
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## $\eta$ distribution of charged particles

900 GeV

2.36 TeV

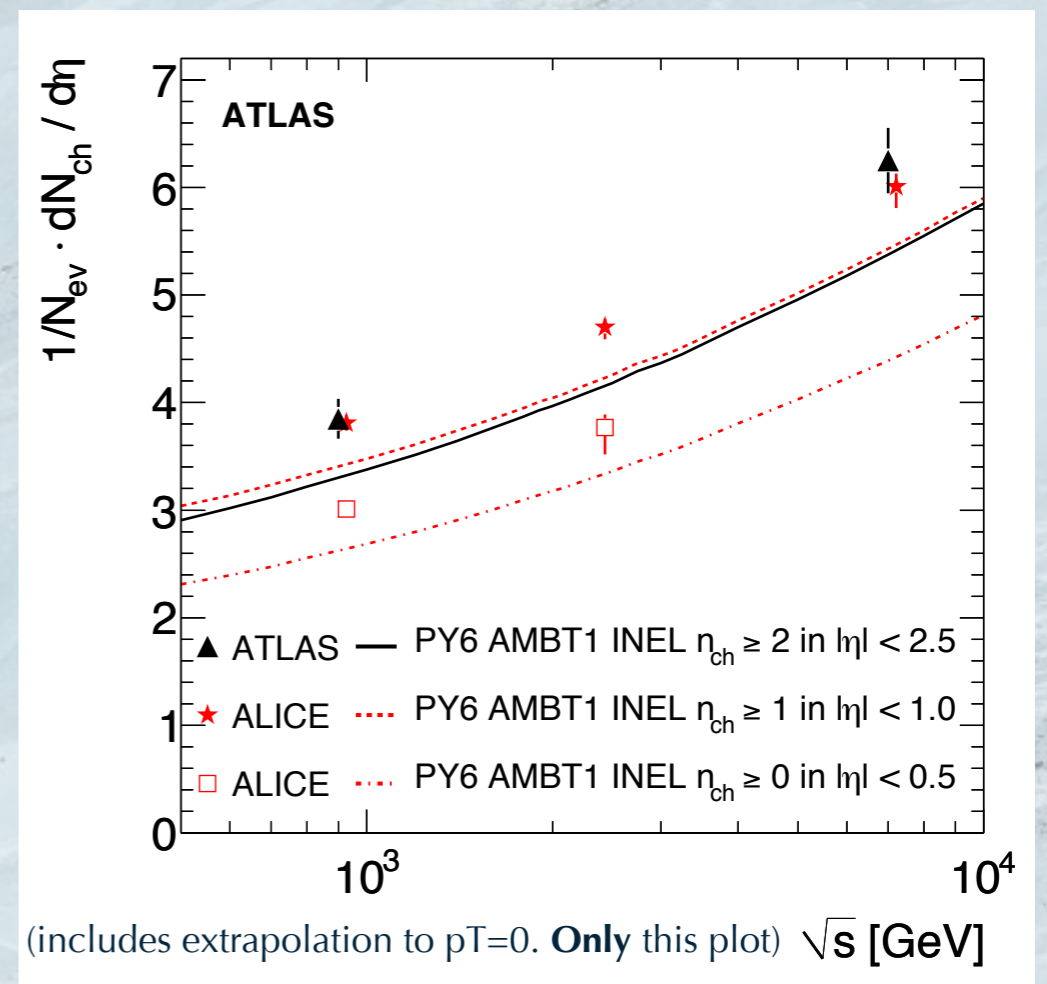
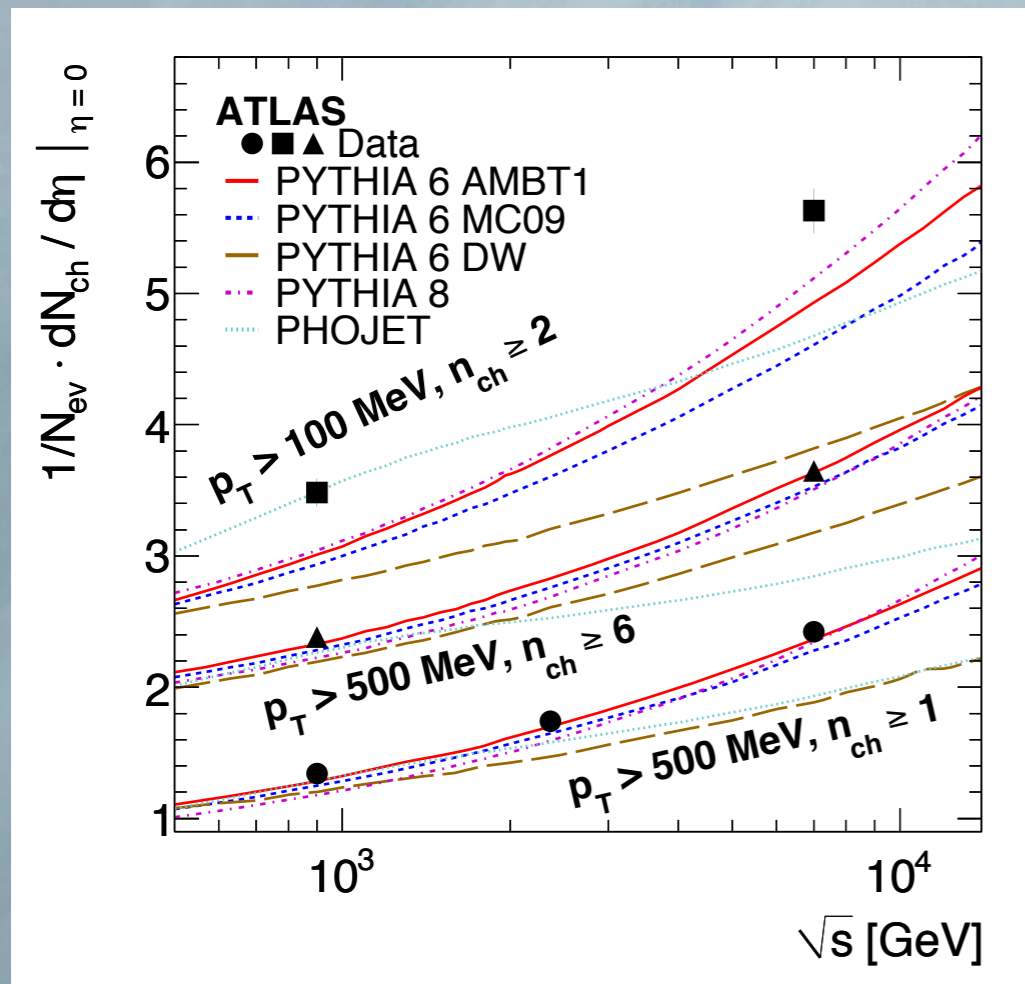
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# Results

Collision energy dependence of the average number of charged particles per unit of rapidity



# Comments

- Many more results in the paper - too many to show here! <http://arxiv.org/abs/1012.5104>
- Measurement of the charged particle multiplicity and its  $p_T$  and  $\eta$  dependence has been made at three different collision energies.
- Monte Carlo not a perfect fit to the data. Tends to under-shoot  $dN/d\eta$ , apart from at high  $\eta$ . In addition, the MC  $N_{ch}$  distribution falls somewhat too fast with  $N_{ch}$ . Diffraction?



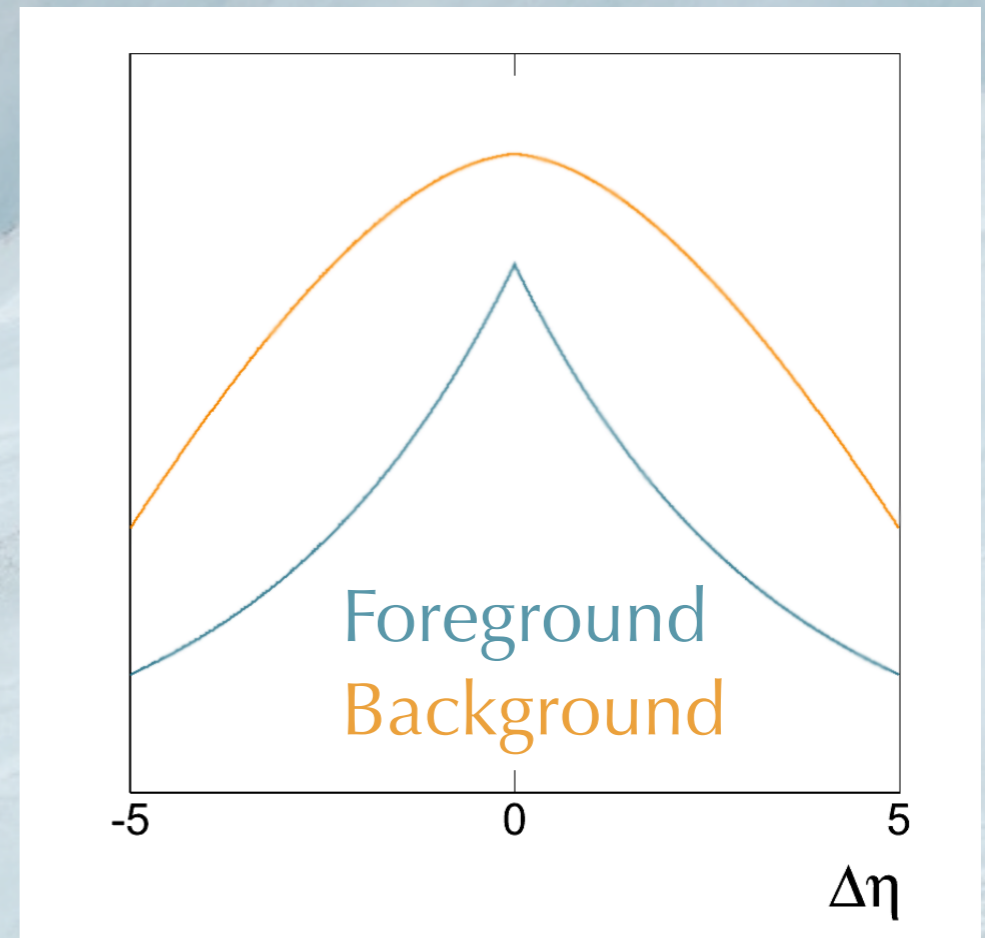
# Two Particle Correlations

# Why Correlations?

- The existence of correlations between final state particles is an indication that there is a common origin for their production.
- Simple example: decays of clusters could give rise to particles close together in  $\eta$  and  $\phi$ .
- Another example: if radiation is emitted at a given angle,  $\phi_0$ , then there will tend to also be emission close to  $\pi - \phi_0$  because of momentum conservation.
- In general, the pattern of correlations can be quite complicated. Models of soft QCD dynamics (as encapsulated in Monte Carlo generators) need to be able to describe this.

# 2 PC Observable

- Two particle correlations consist of a **foreground** and a **background**.
- Foreground = take  $\Delta\eta$  and  $\Delta\phi$  between each pair of particles in an event. Fill a 2D histogram with those values
- Falls with  $\Delta\eta$  because of phase space, but there is also structure (e.g. peak at 0,0)



$$F(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi) = \left\langle \frac{2}{N_{ch}(N_{ch}-1)} \sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} \delta_{\eta_i - \eta_j - \Delta\eta} \delta_{\phi_i - \phi_j - \Delta\phi} \right\rangle$$

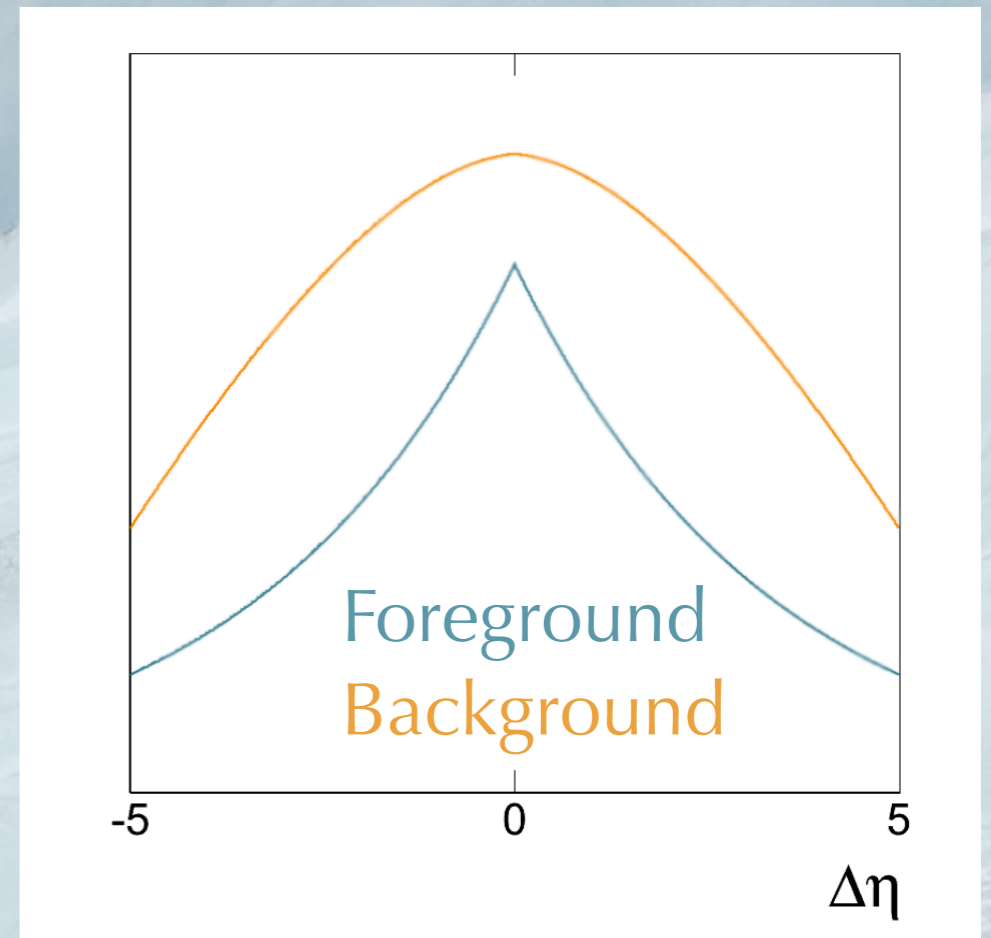
Foreground is normalised by dividing by total number of events

Means that each track has the same weight in the distribution, regardless of the track multiplicity of the event

$N_{ch}$  = number of (charged) particles in the event

# 2 PC Observable

- For the background take the  $\Delta\eta$  and  $\Delta\phi$  between particle pairs in **independent** events.
- Accounts for the phase space effect plus some other detector effects
- **Divide** the foreground by the background to give the observable



$$B(\Delta\eta) = \int_{-2.5}^{2.5} \int_{-2.5}^{2.5} d\eta_1 d\eta_2 \delta(\eta_1 - \eta_2 - \Delta\eta) \left. \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \right|_{\eta=\eta_1} \left. \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \right|_{\eta=\eta_2}$$

Note the different normalisation: the background is normalised by dividing by the number of entries (= the no. of tracks) to give unit integral

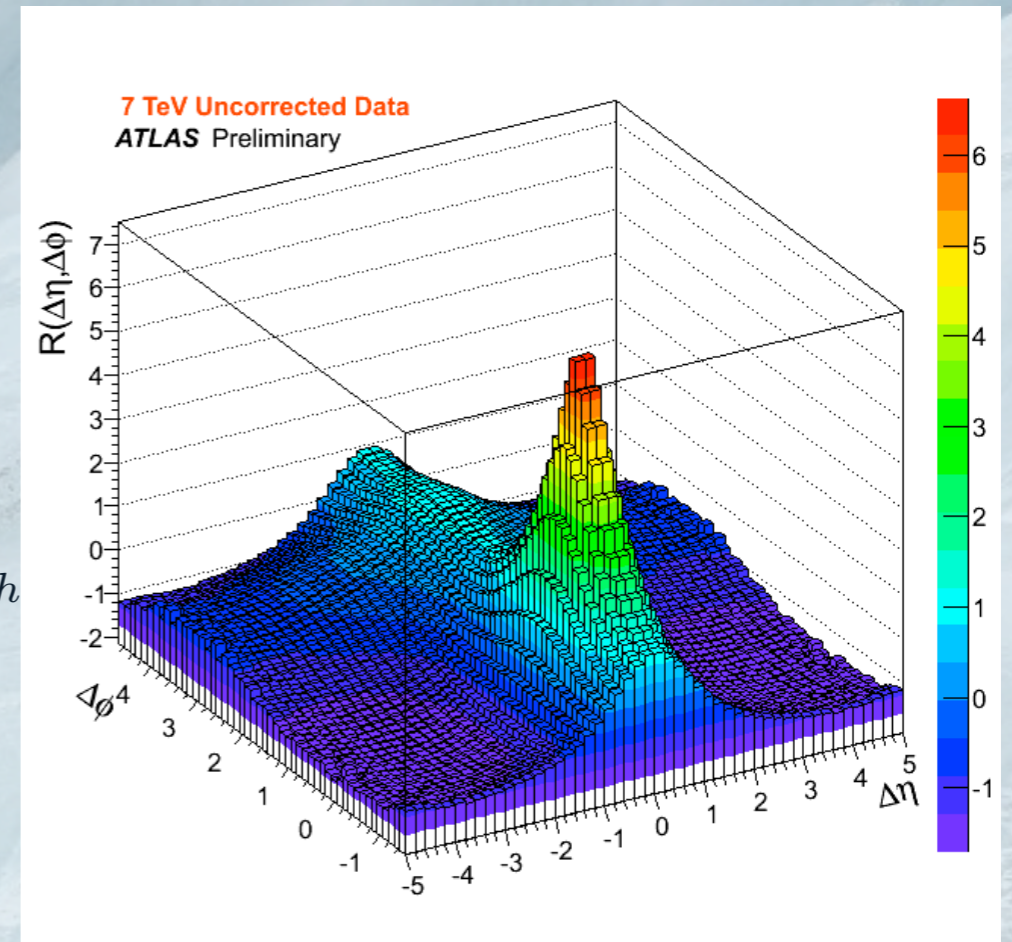
# 2 PC Observable

- Formally the 2PC observable used in this analysis is given by

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

- The factor of  $\langle N-1 \rangle$  is included because  $(N-1)(F-B)$  was found in the past to be approximately multiplicity independent.

where  $\langle \dots \rangle_{ch}$  means average over contributions from all particle multiplicities



Ends up looking like this



# Analysis Cuts

- Same as in min bias charged particle multiplicity analysis
- Require two tracks with  $p_T > 100$  MeV. Include all tracks with
  - $p_T > 100$  MeV
  - $|\eta| < 2.5$
- Data at 900 GeV and 7 TeV
- Same event-level correction (weighting) for trigger and vertexing efficiency as min-bias.
- Tracking efficiency correction is different...

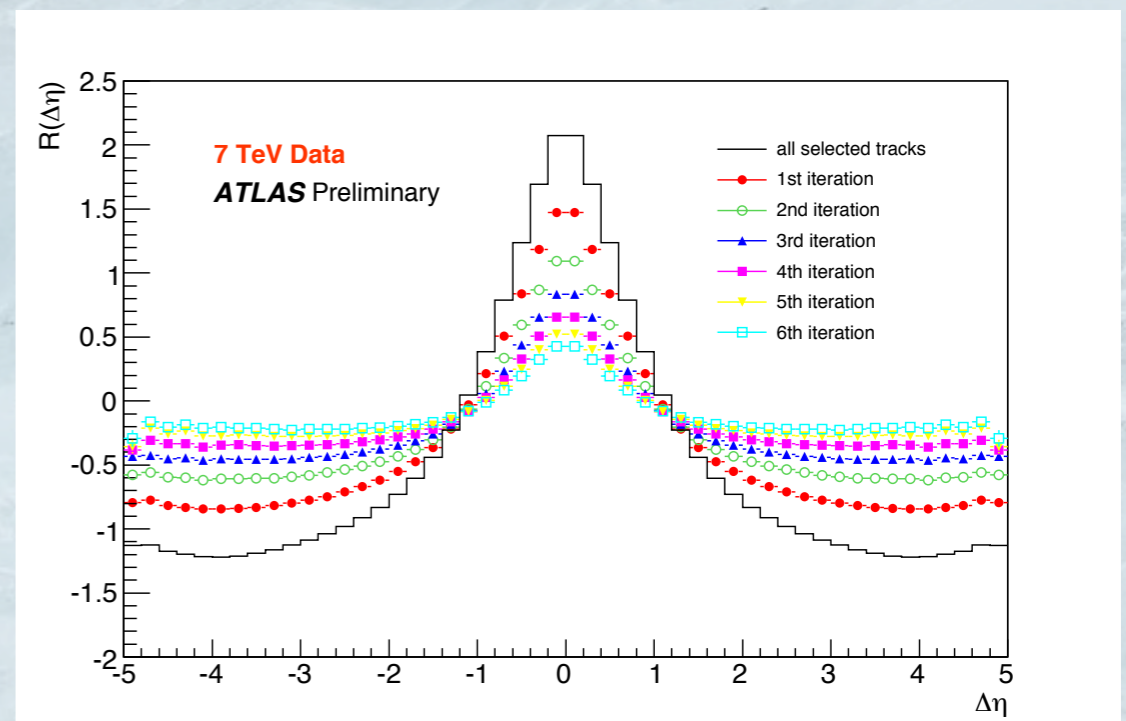
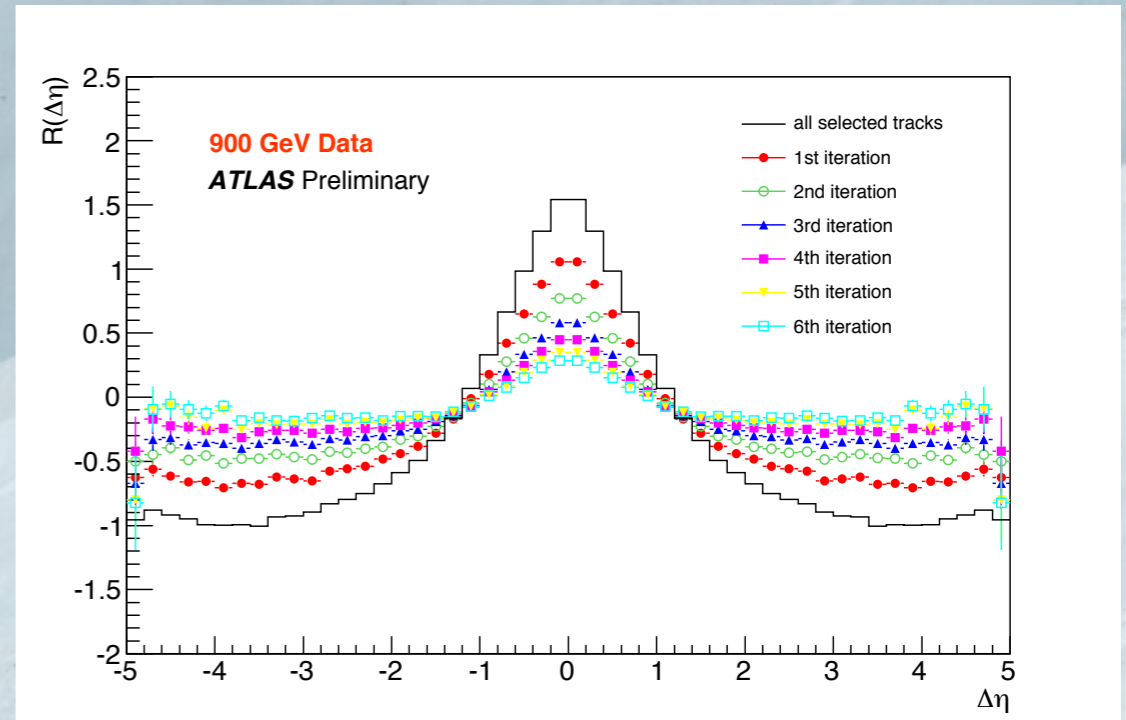
# Tracking efficiency corrections

- More complicated observable ➔ effect of tracking inefficiencies and mis-reconstruction is not so straightforward/linear.
- Single particle efficiency is known (truth track-matching in Monte Carlo).
- Data-driven\* scheme: In a given event use the single particle efficiency to quantify the detector effect by applying that efficiency to the known tracks in data

\*Given that the accepted single particle efficiency is derived from MC + detector sim

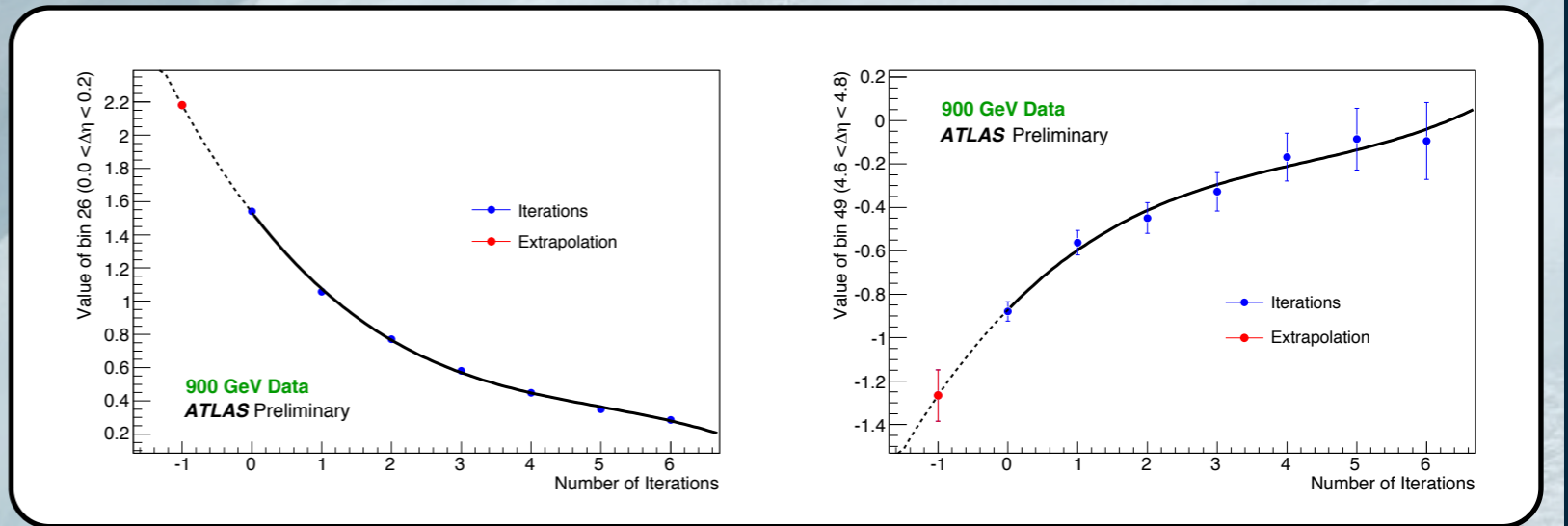
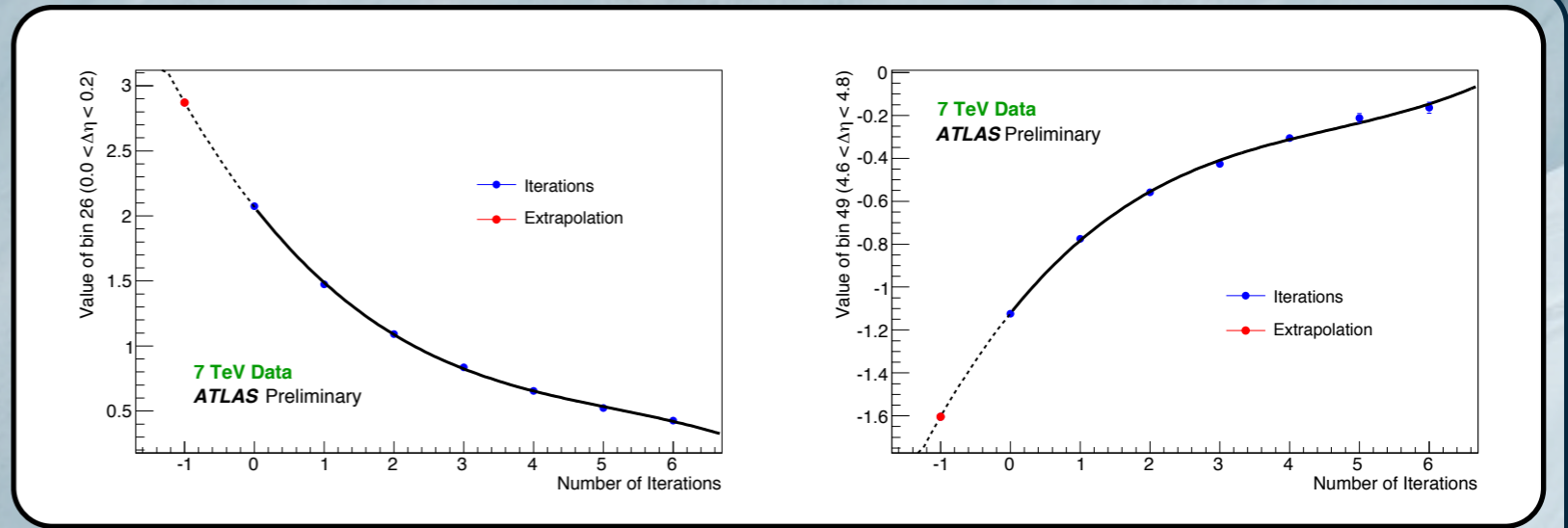
# Random Track Removal

- In each event fill the histogram at the reconstruction (uncorrected) level.
- Go through the list of tracks in the event and for each one generate an independent random number ( $r_i$ ) in the range  $\{0,1\}$ .
- Compare  $r_i$  to the reconstruction efficiency ( $E_i(p_T, \eta)$ ) for that track and if  $r_i > E_i$  then remove the track from the list
- Re-plot the observable with the reduced list of tracks
- Repeat for 5 additional iterations, each time using the tracks from the previous iteration as input to the next one

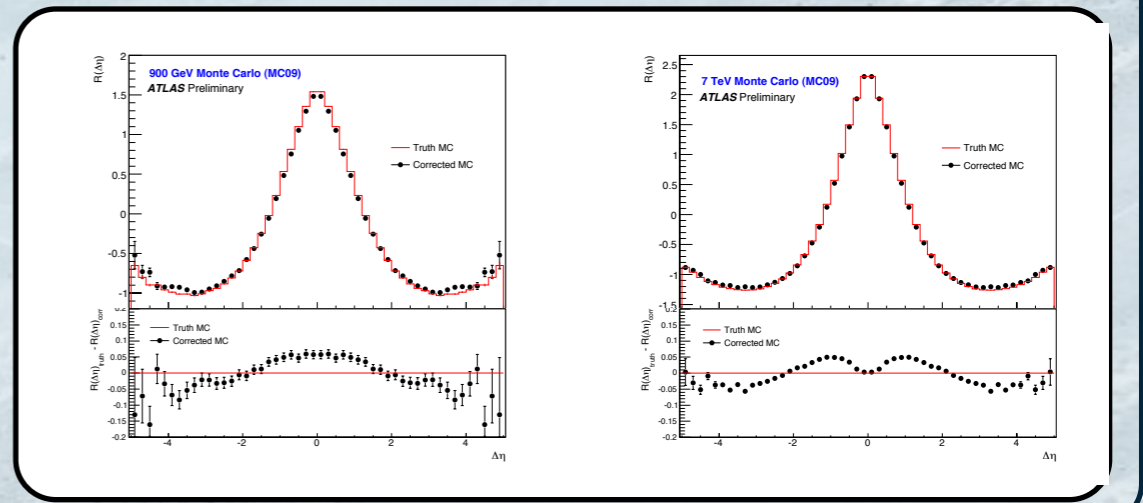


# Extrapolation to $N=-1$

- In each bin of the observable plot the bin contents Vs. the number of track removal iterations.
- The 0 iteration is the raw uncorrected data
- The -1 iteration would be the true value of the observable before the imposition of any detector effects
- Fit a Polynomial of degree three and extrapolate to  $N=-1$  to estimate the true value of the bin



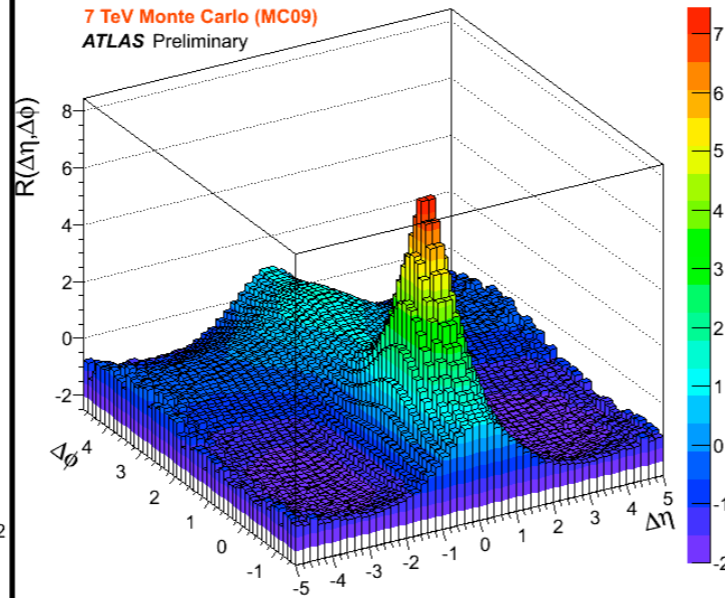
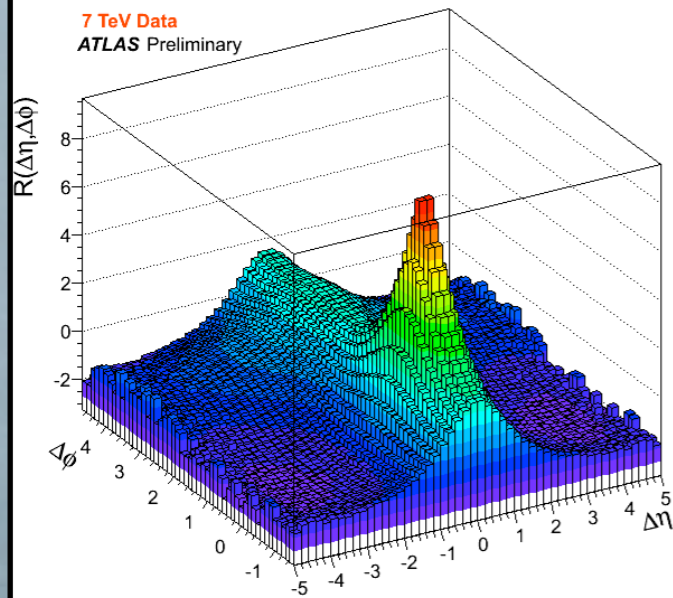
Closure test  
on MC



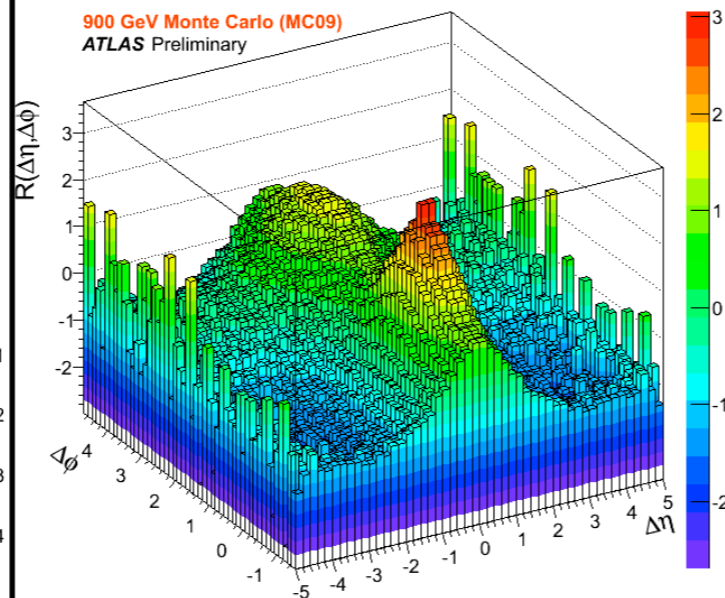
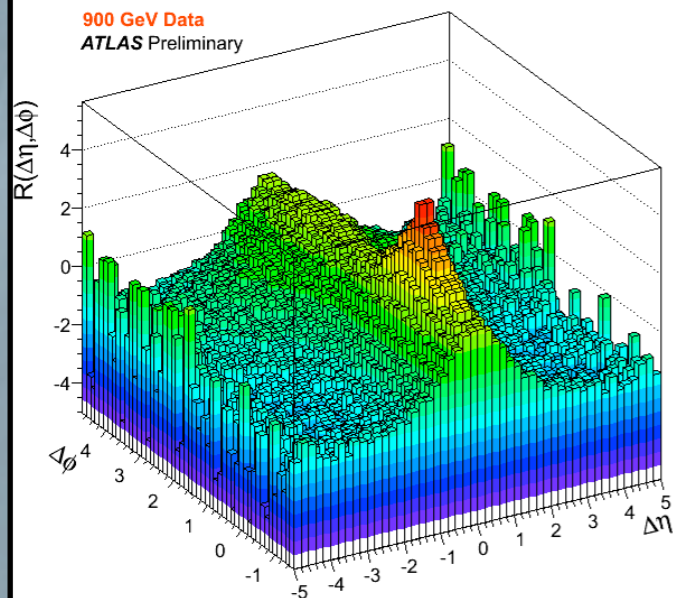
# Full 2D Results

Data

Pythia 6



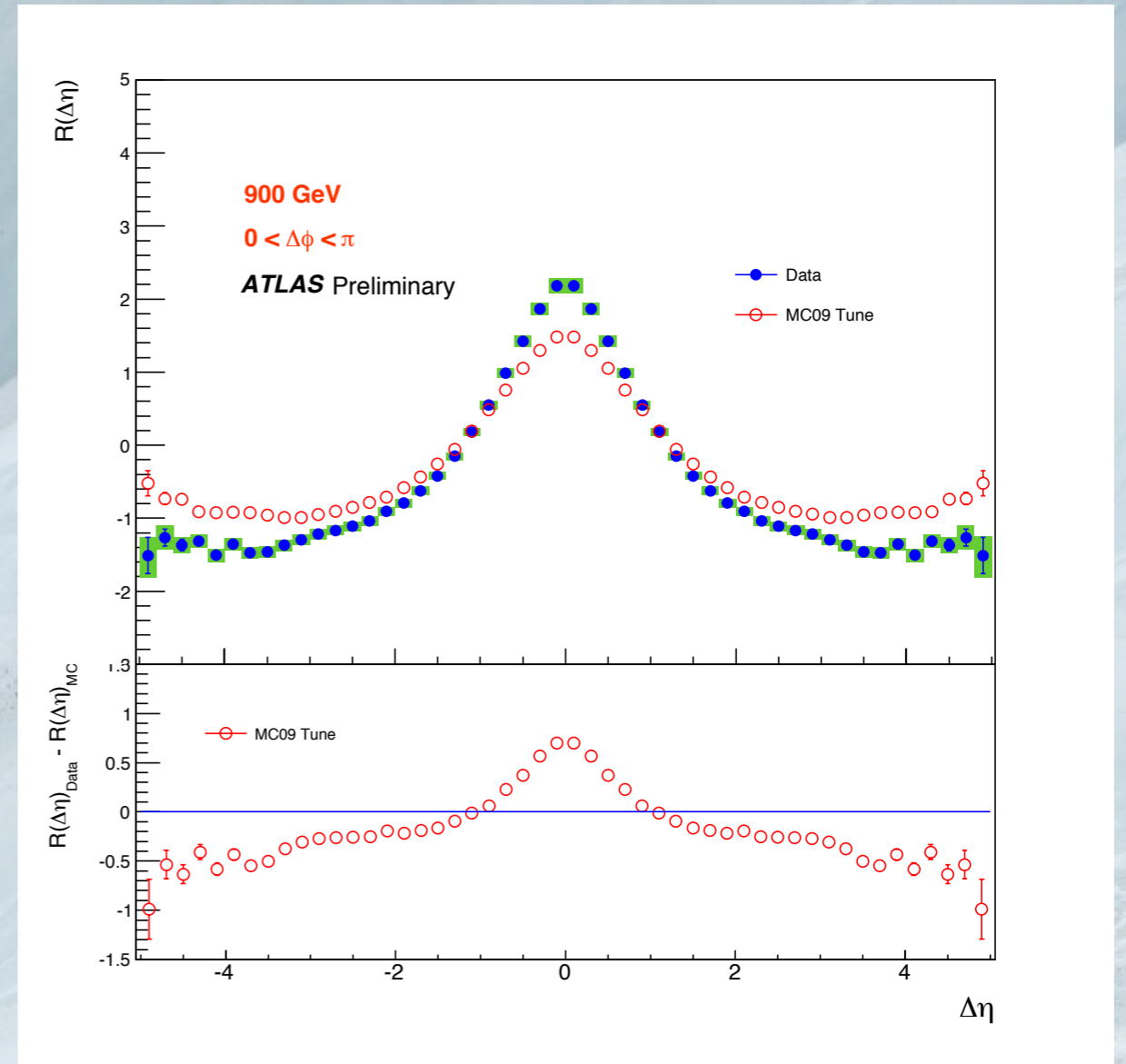
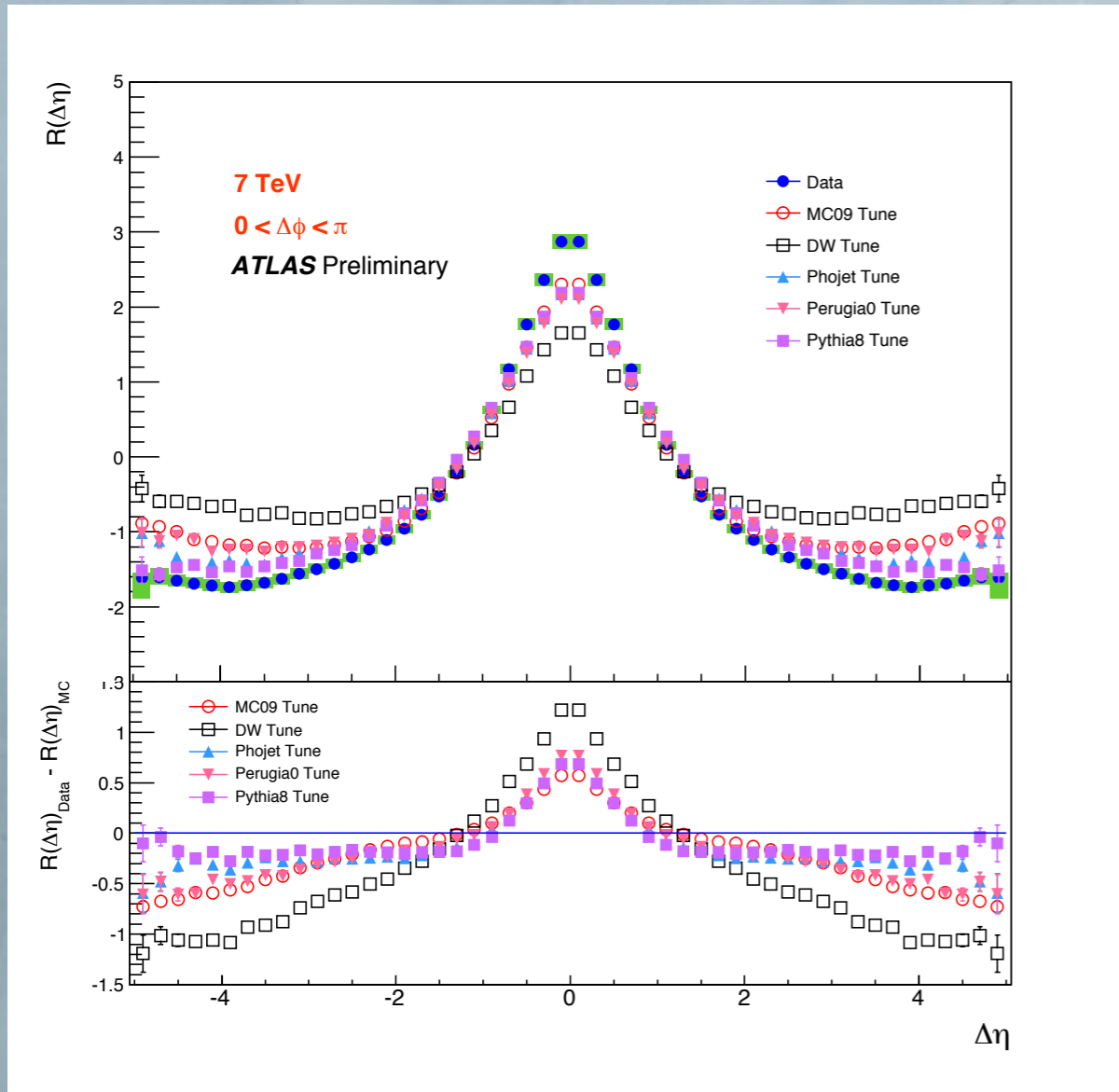
7 TeV



900 GeV

Somewhat complicated structure. Note recoil ridge in “away” region (different shape in MC and data). Wells adjacent to the peak at  $\{0, 0\}$

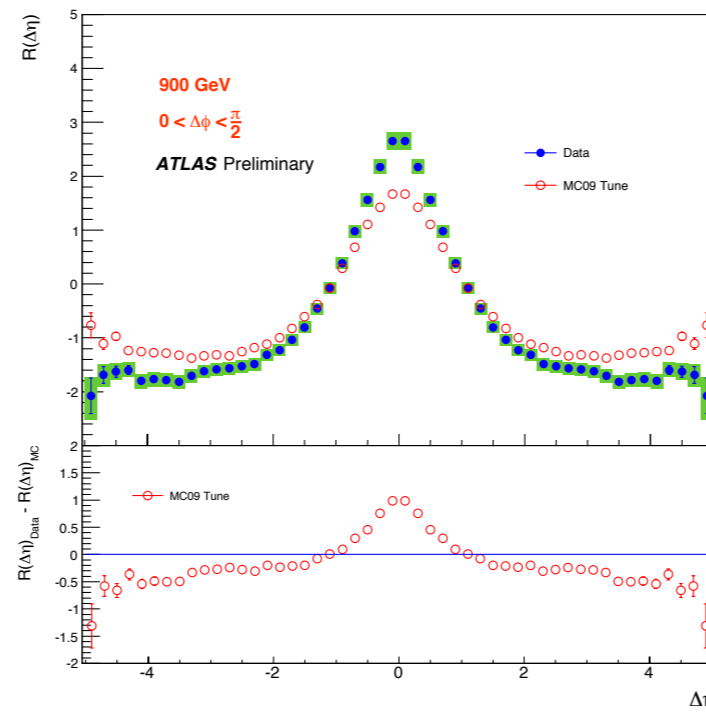
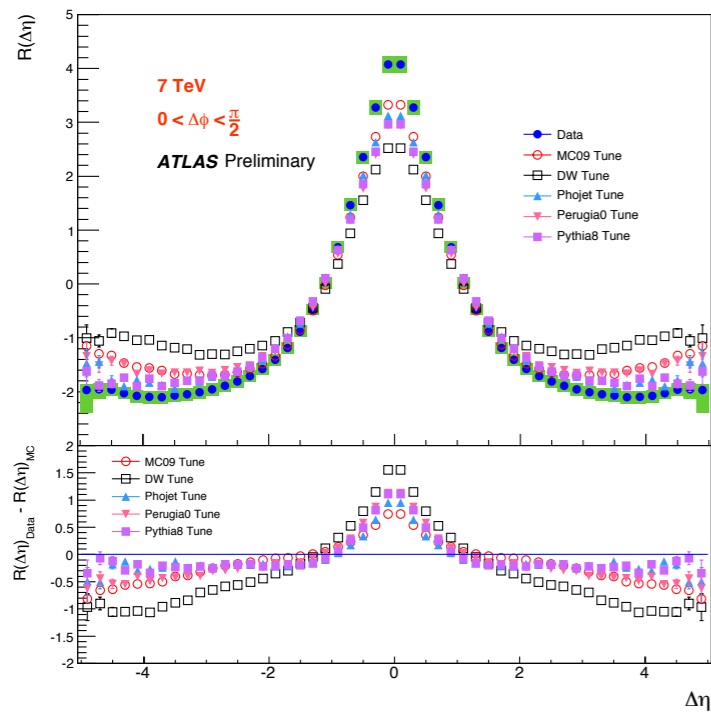
# $\Delta\eta$ Projections of the 2D results



Easier to compare to MC by  
integrating over  $\Delta\phi$

$\Delta\eta$  distribution (by integrating the  
foreground and background separately  
over  $\{0, \pi\}$  at 7 TeV and 900 GeV)

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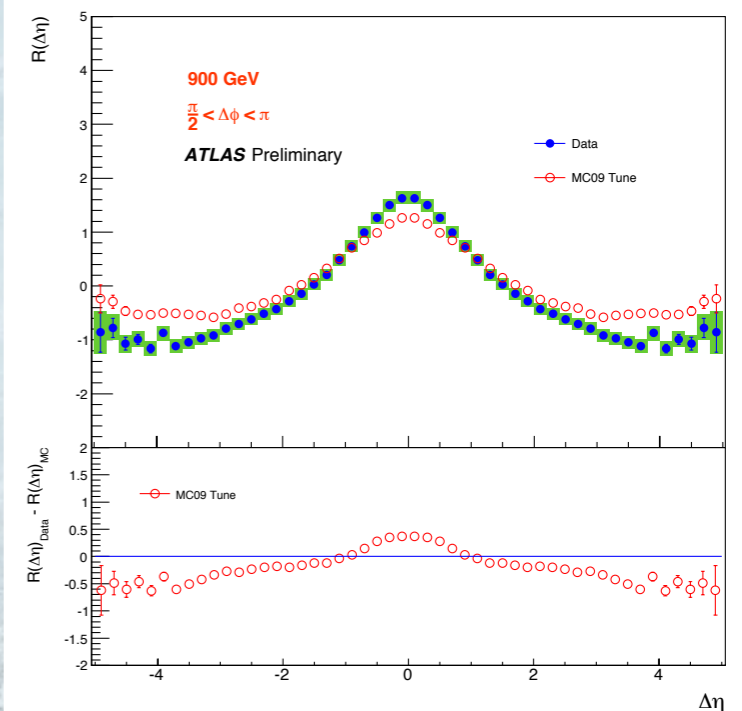
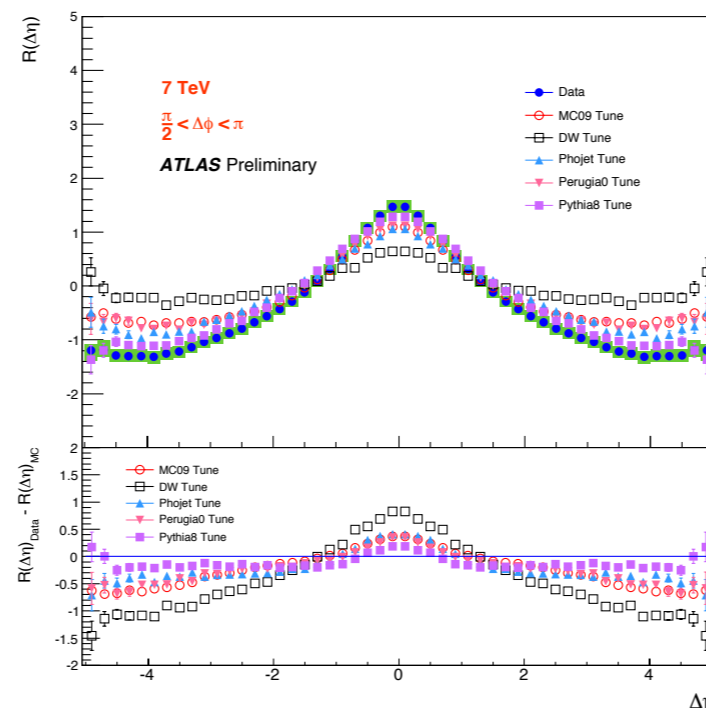


$\Delta\eta$  distribution (by integrating the foreground and background separately over  $\{0, \pi/2\}$  at 7 TeV and 900 GeV)

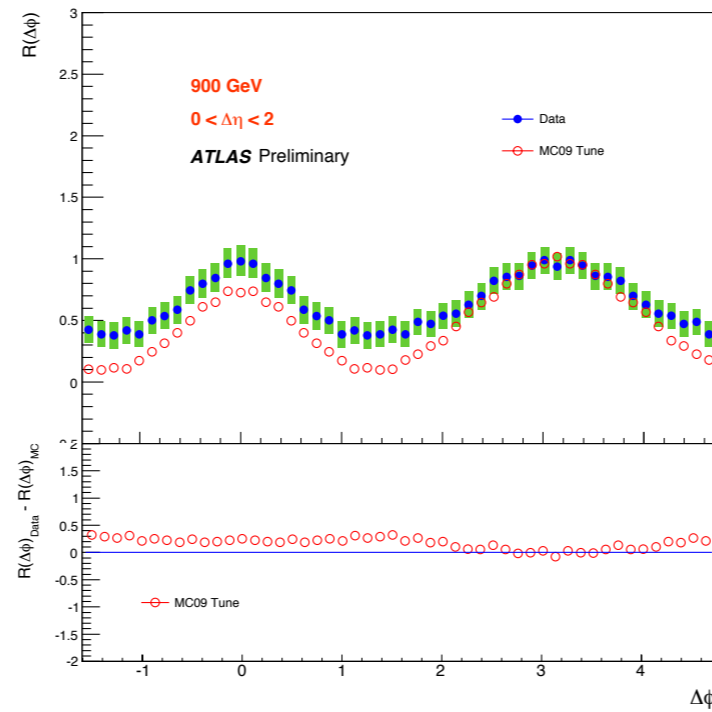
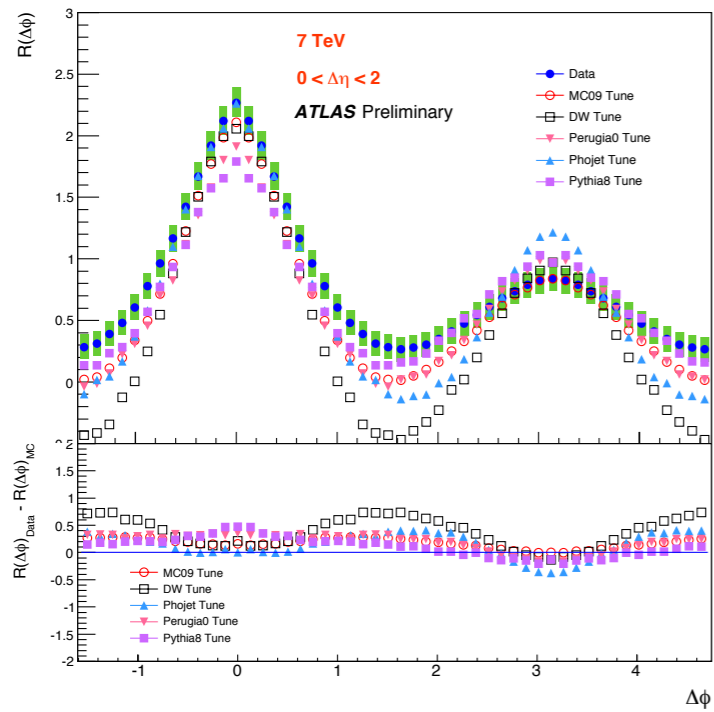
Sharper peak because only taking the region closer  $\Delta\phi = 0$

$\Delta\eta$  distribution (by integrating the foreground and background separately over  $\{0, \pi/2\}$  at 7 TeV and 900 GeV)

Wider peak because this region does not include the  $\{0, 0\}$  region

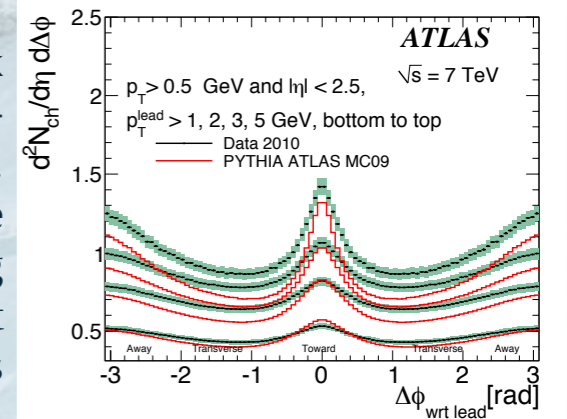


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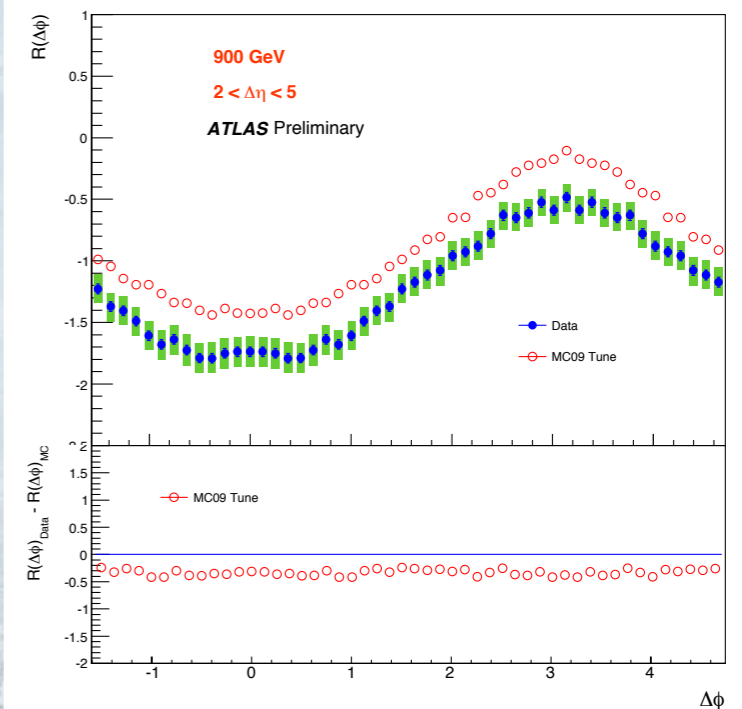
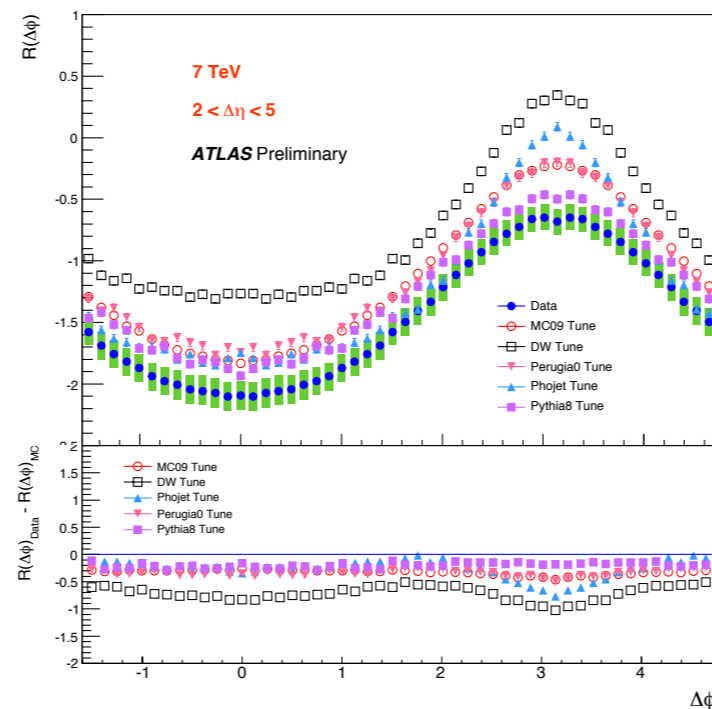
$\Delta\phi$  distribution (by integrating the foreground and background separately  $\Delta\eta$  over {0, 2} at 7 TeV and 900 GeV)

Double peak due to back-to-back recoil. Similar to some underlying event distributions



$\Delta\phi$  distribution (by integrating the foreground and background separately  $\Delta\eta$  over {2, 5} at 7 TeV and 900 GeV)

Integrating over  $\Delta\phi$  region that does not include main peak - we see the away side recoil, but a dip on the near side





# Comments

- Two Particle Correlation distribution sensitive to soft behaviour in QCD
- Measured in ATLAS tracks
- Corrected for detector effects
- Many different projections through the 2D function taken