

LHCf; zero degree measurements for cosmic-ray model calibration

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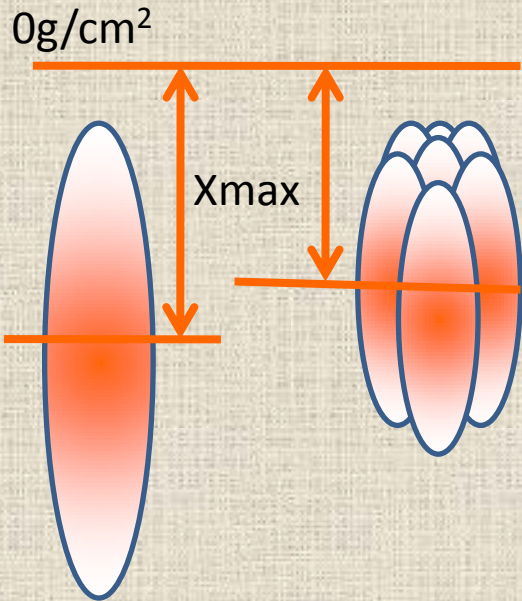
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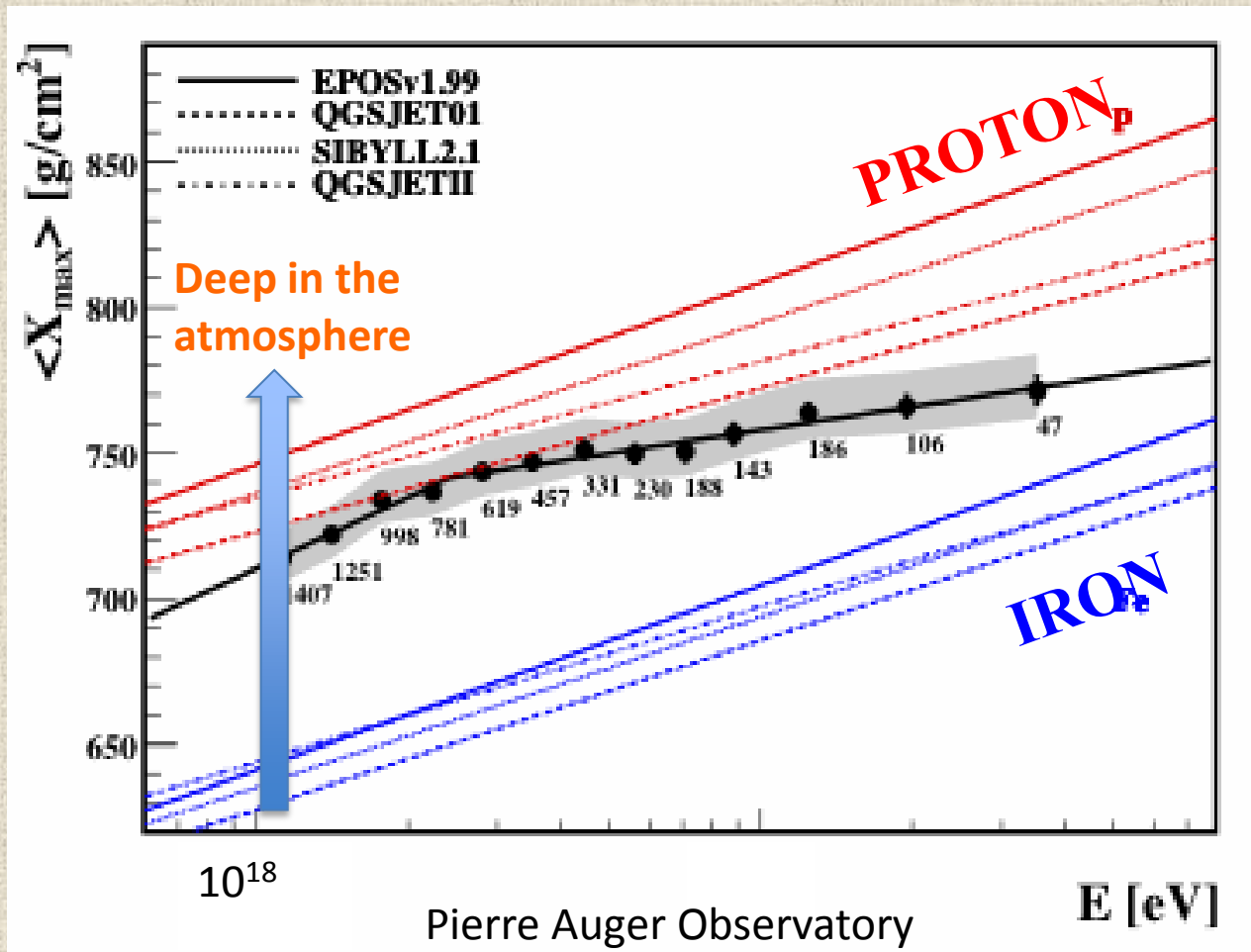
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Physics Motivation

Hadronic interaction model and CR



Proton shower and nuclear shower of same total energy

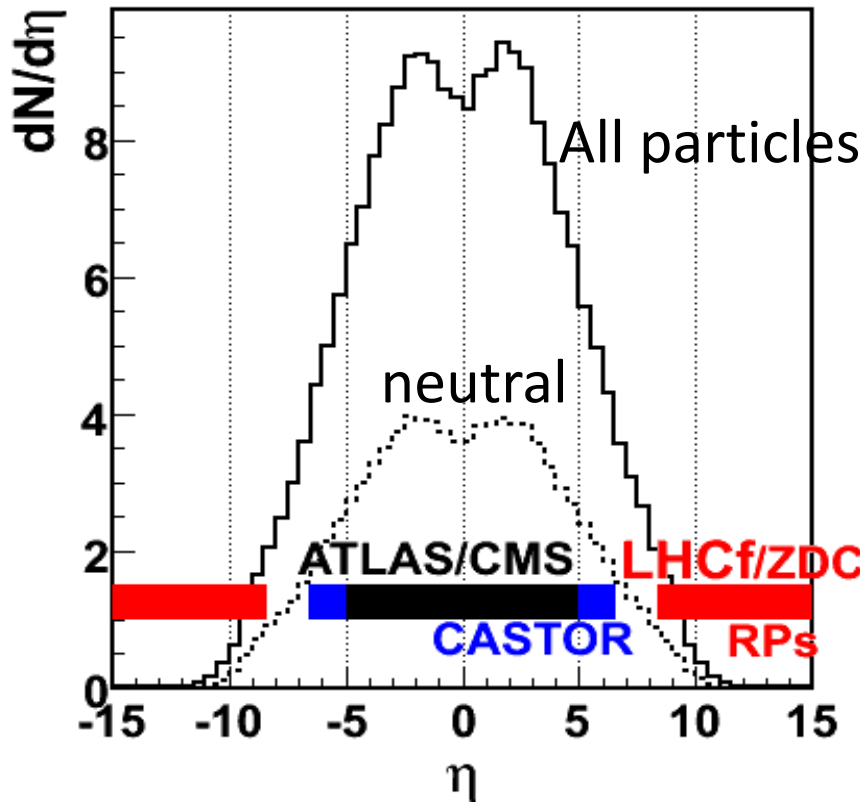


- CRs up to 10^{20} eV are observed
- Source, nature of the spectral shape, **chemical composition (Fig)** are unknown
- Players: EPOS, QGSJET, SIBYLL, DPMJET models

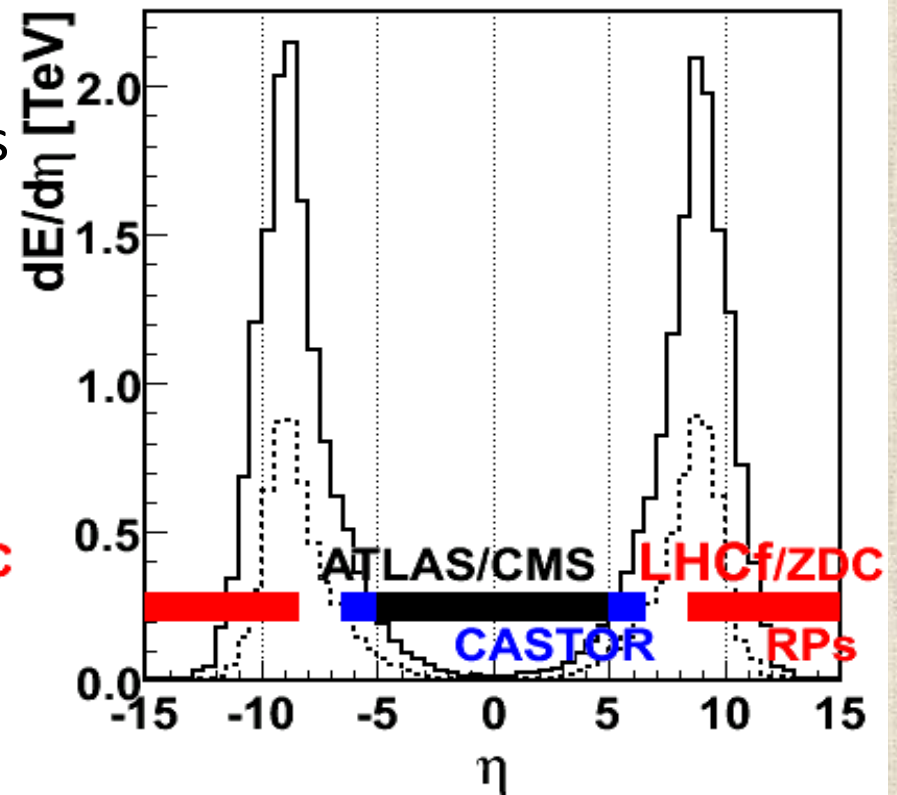
Where to be measured at colliders?

multiplicity and energy flux at LHC 14TeV collisions

Multiplicity



Energy flux

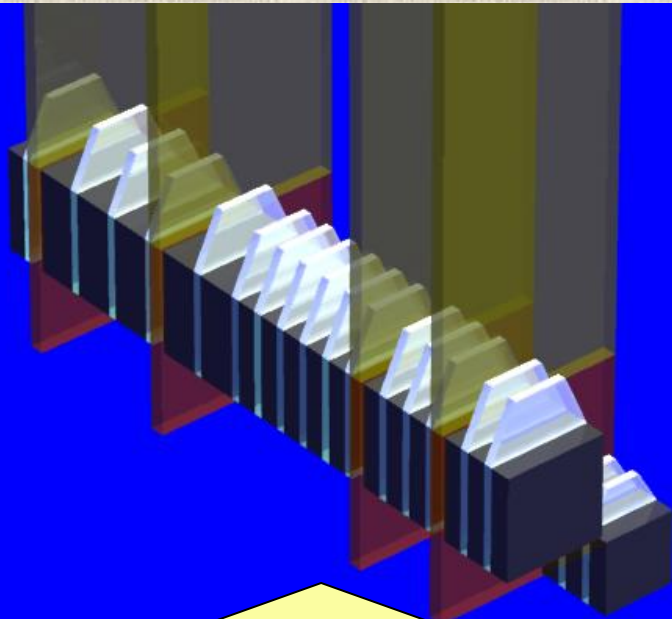


Most of the particles produced into central,
Most of the energy flows into **forward**

Experiment

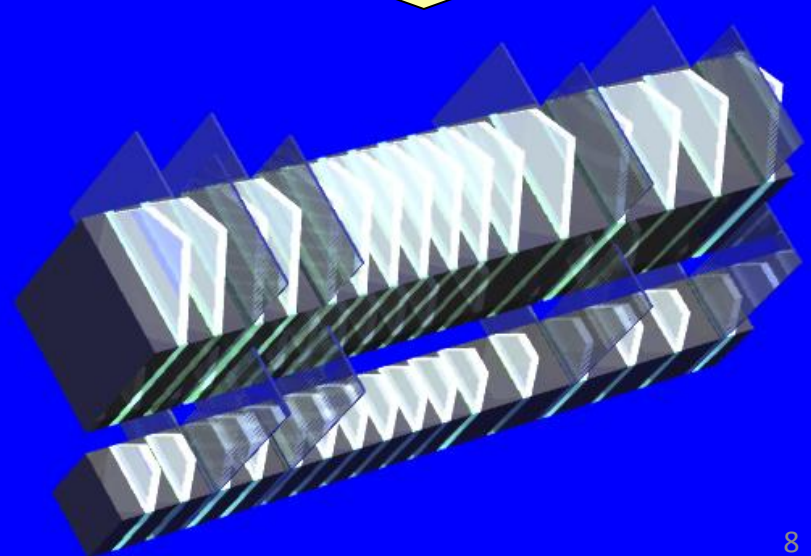
LHCf Detectors

- ✓ Imaging sampling shower calorimeters
- ✓ Two calorimeter towers in each of Arm1 and Arm2
- ✓ Each tower has 44 r.l. of Tungsten, 16 sampling scintillator and 4 position sensitive layers



Arm#2 Detector
25mmx25mm+32mmx32mm
4 XY Silicon strip detectors

Arm#1 Detector
20mmx20mm+40mmx40mm
4 XY SciFi+MAPMT



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Arm#1 Detector

40mm

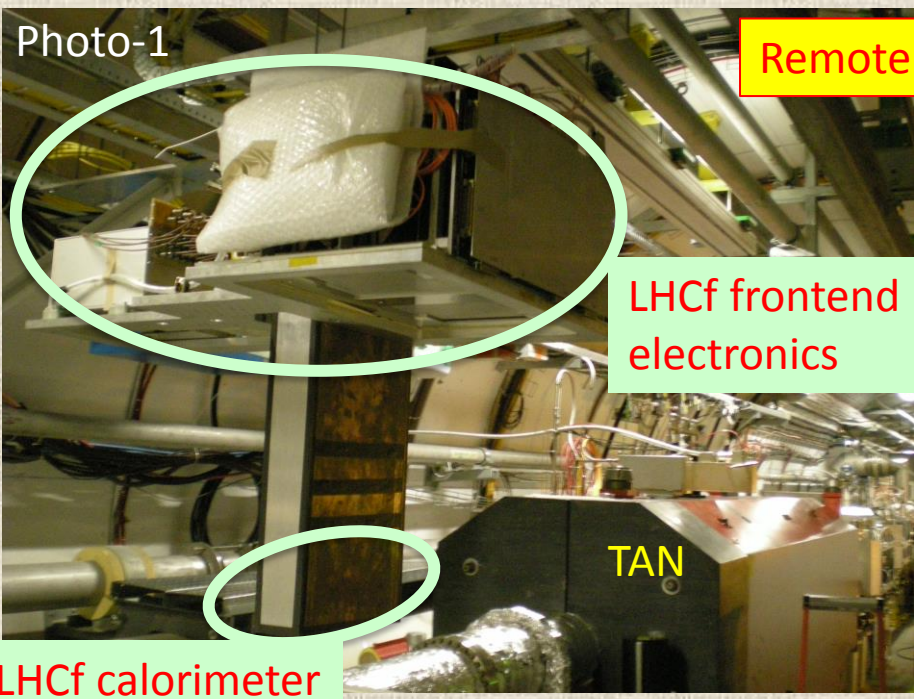
Plastic scintillators and SciFi are replaced with rad-hard GSO plates and GSO bars, respectively, during LS1. Operation is possible up to 1MGy corresponding to 500 pb⁻¹ at 14TeV p-p collisions.
(actual problem is pile-up; discuss later)

Arm#2 Detector

25mmx25mm+32mmx32mm

4 XY Silicon strip detectors

Photo-1



Remote Handling System

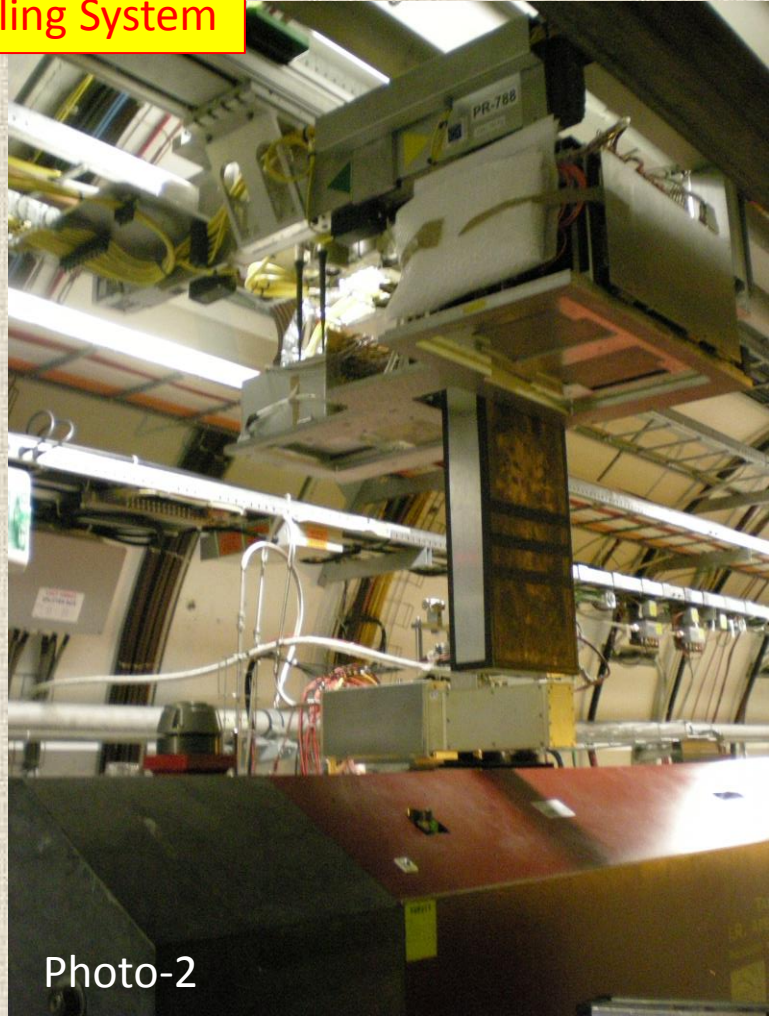


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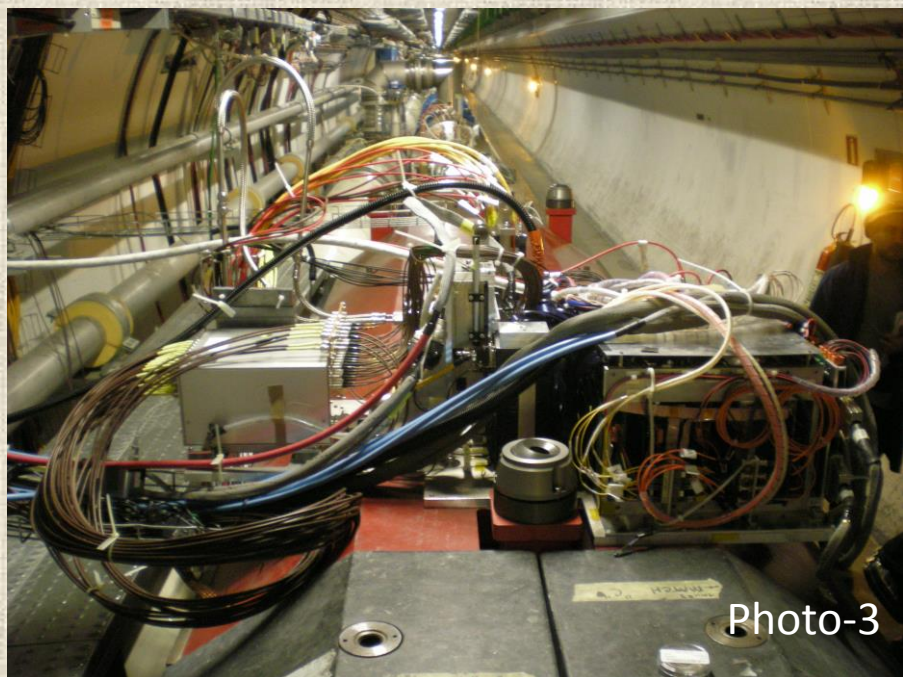
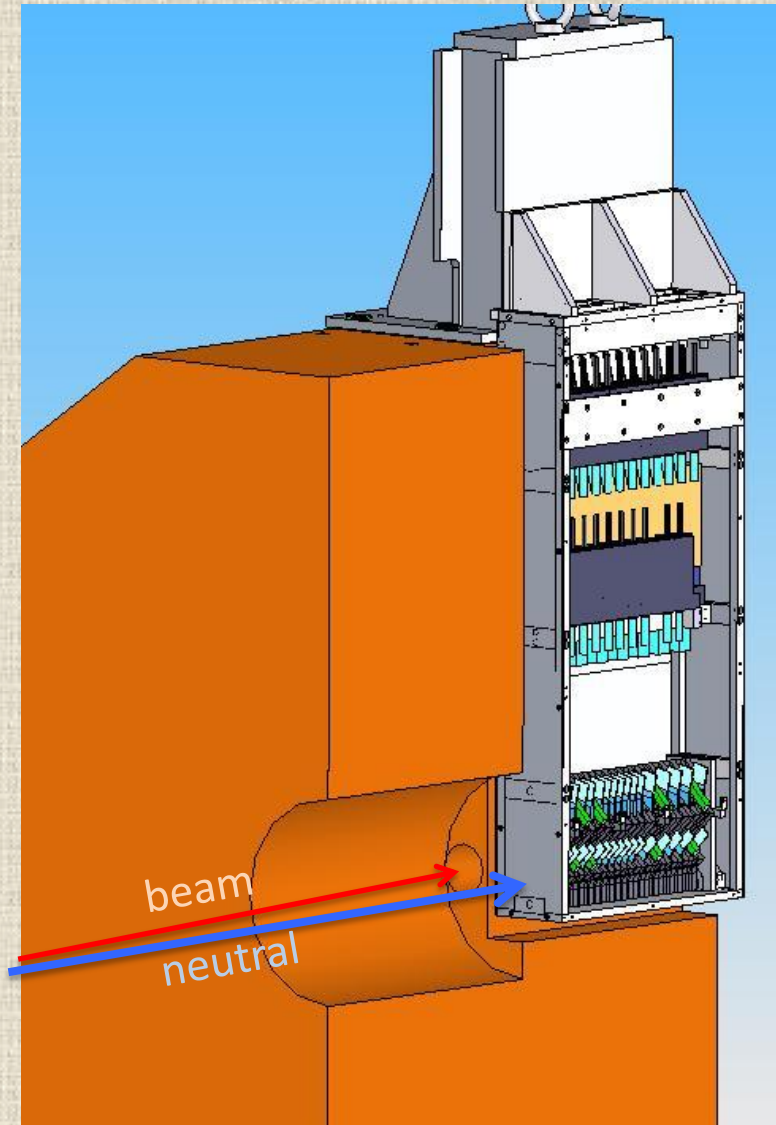


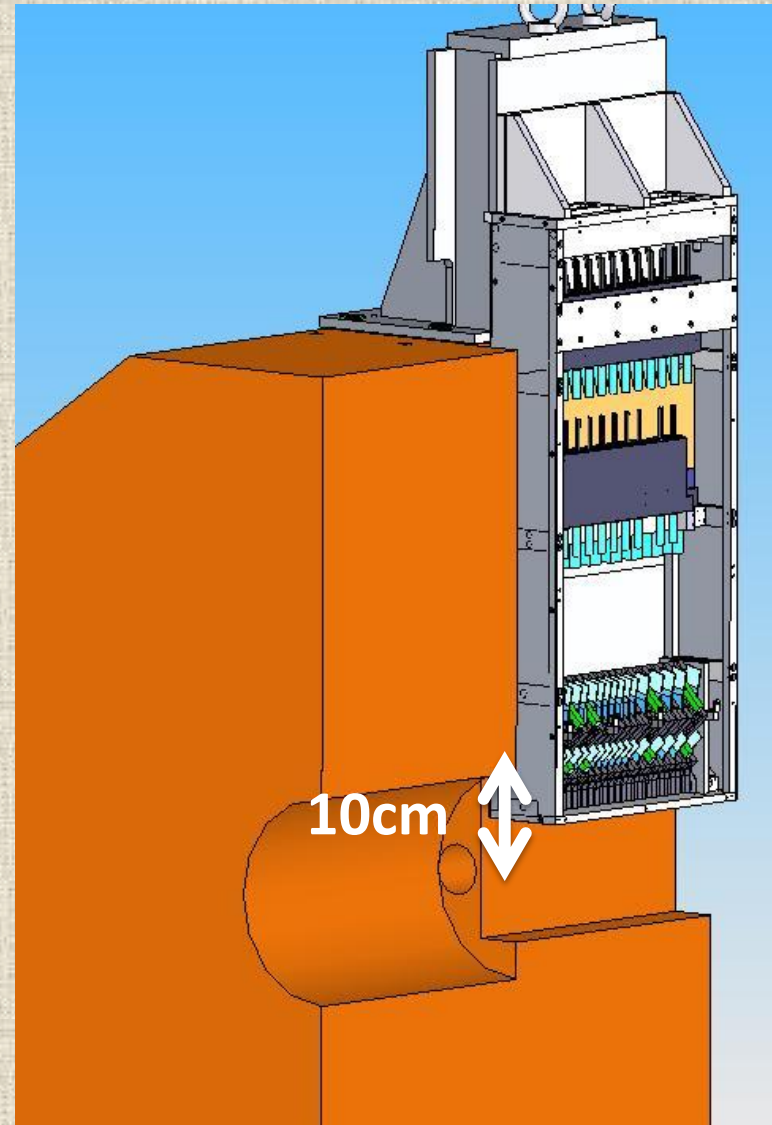
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Vertical movement and scan

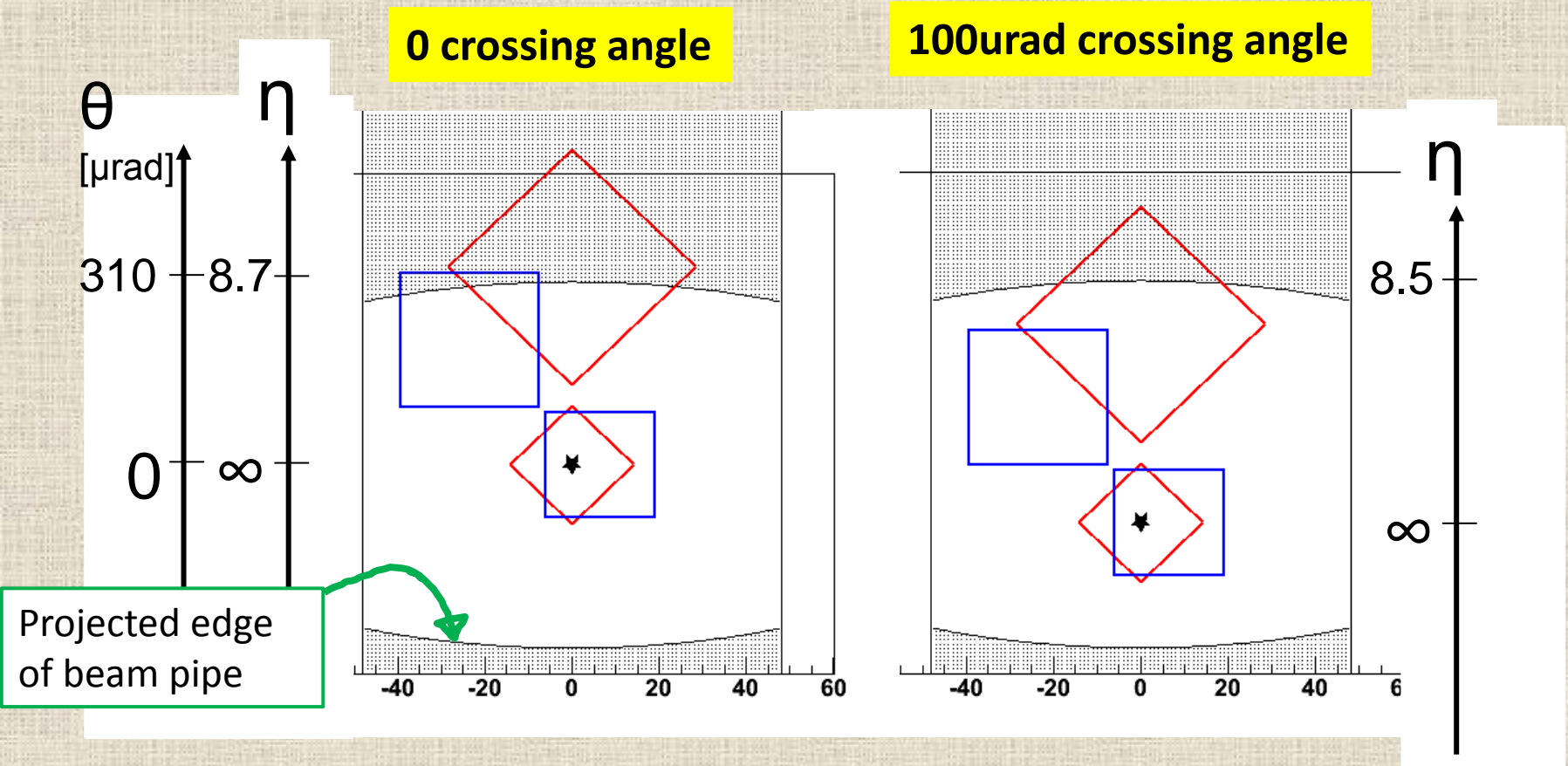
Run position



Garage position to wait stable beams



Calorimeters viewed from IP



- ✓ Geometrical acceptance of **Arm1** and **Arm2**
- ✓ Crossing angle operation enhances the acceptance

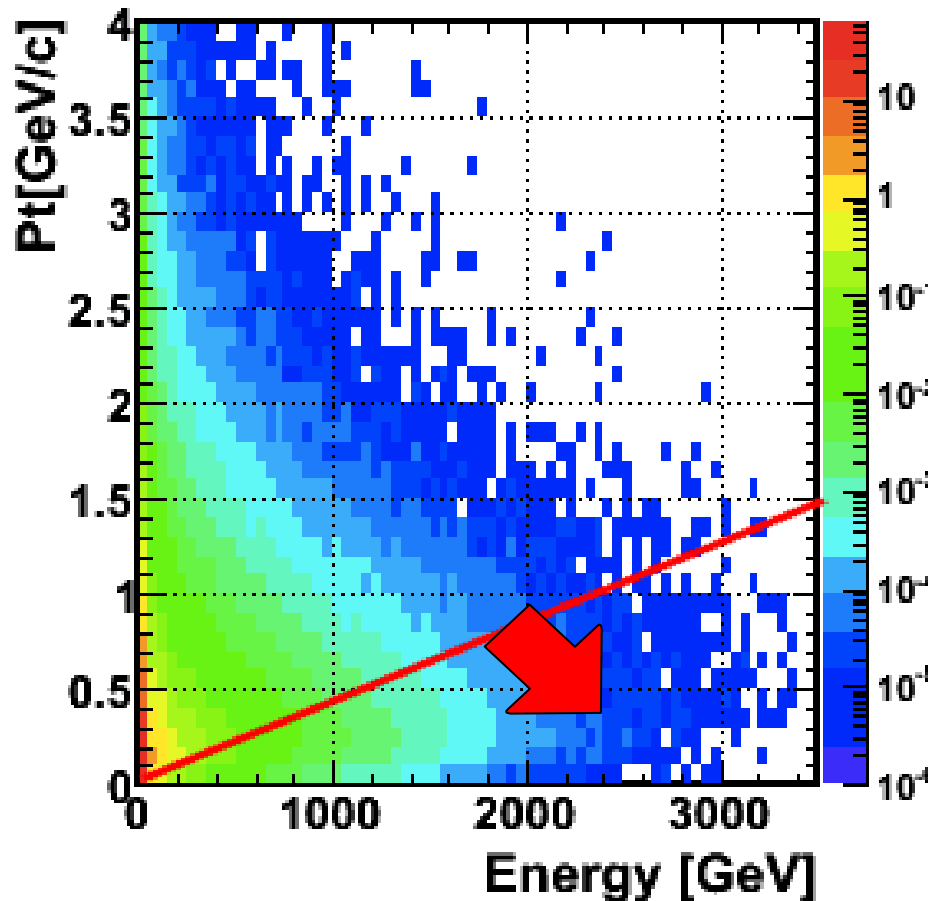
Which E- p_T range LHCf sees ?

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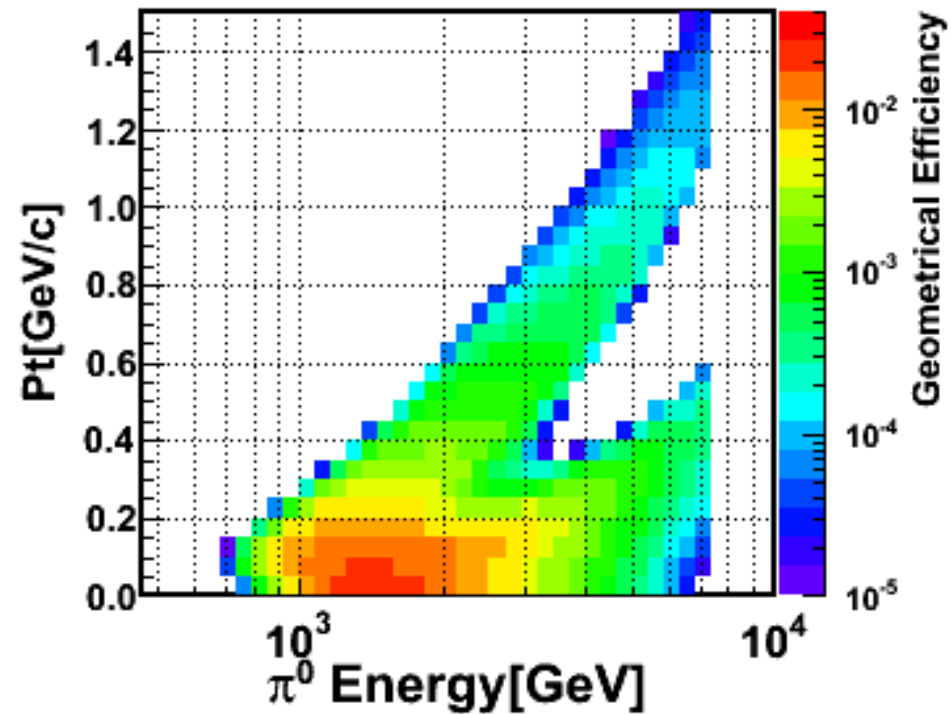
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(pp 7TeV, EPOS)



Results from 900GeV and 7TeV pp collisions

Summary of LHCf data taking

900 GeV p-p collisions (2009-2010)

- Total of 42 hours for physics (0.3 nb⁻¹ delivered)
- About 10⁵ shower events in Arm1+Arm2
- Photon spectra published (2012)

7 TeV p-p collisions (2010) (detectors were removed in Jul. 2010)

- Total of 150 hours for physics with different setups (350 nb⁻¹ delivered)
 - ✓ Different vertical position to increase the accessible kinematical range
 - ✓ Runs with or without beam crossing angle
- ~ 4x10⁸ shower events in Arm1+Arm2
- ~ 10⁶ π⁰ events in Arm1 and Arm2
- Photon spectra (2011) and π⁰ spectra (2012) published

5 TeV (vs_{NN}) p-Pb and 2.76 TeV p-p collisions (2013) (only Arm2 reinstalled)

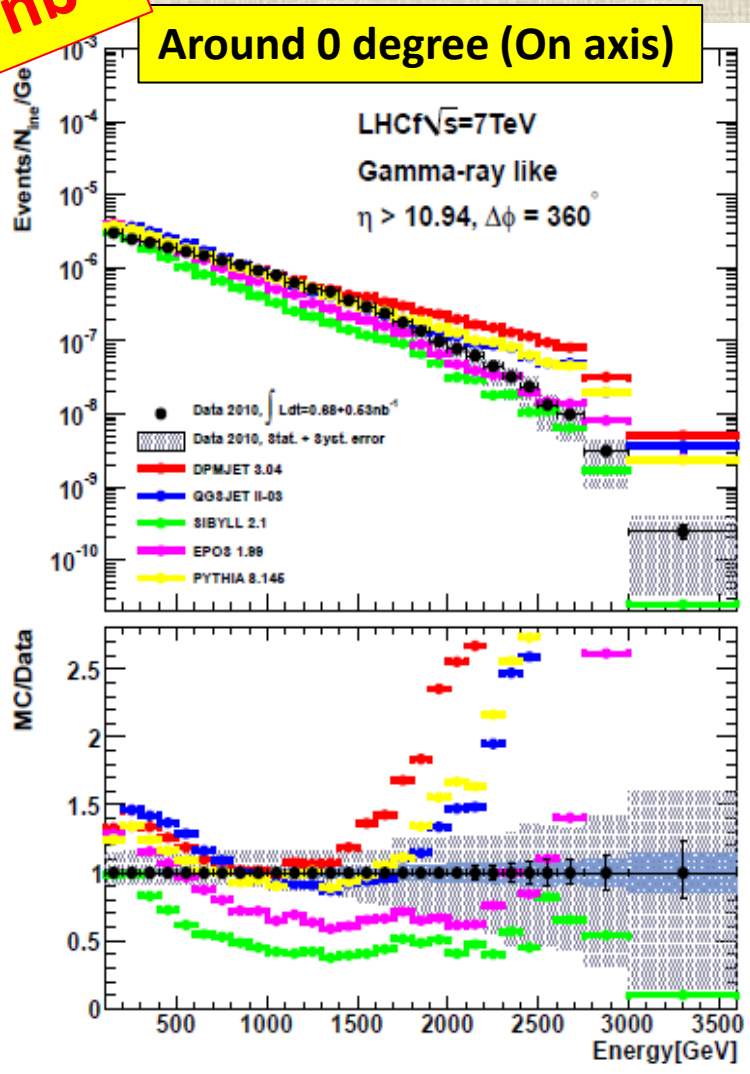
- 1.6x10⁸ shower events in p-Pb
- 5x10⁶ shower events in p-p
- ATLAS was triggered by LHCf at 20-40 Hz
- 0.8m β* in p-Pb made a wide beam dispersion ☹

Photon spectra @ 7TeV (Data vs. Models)

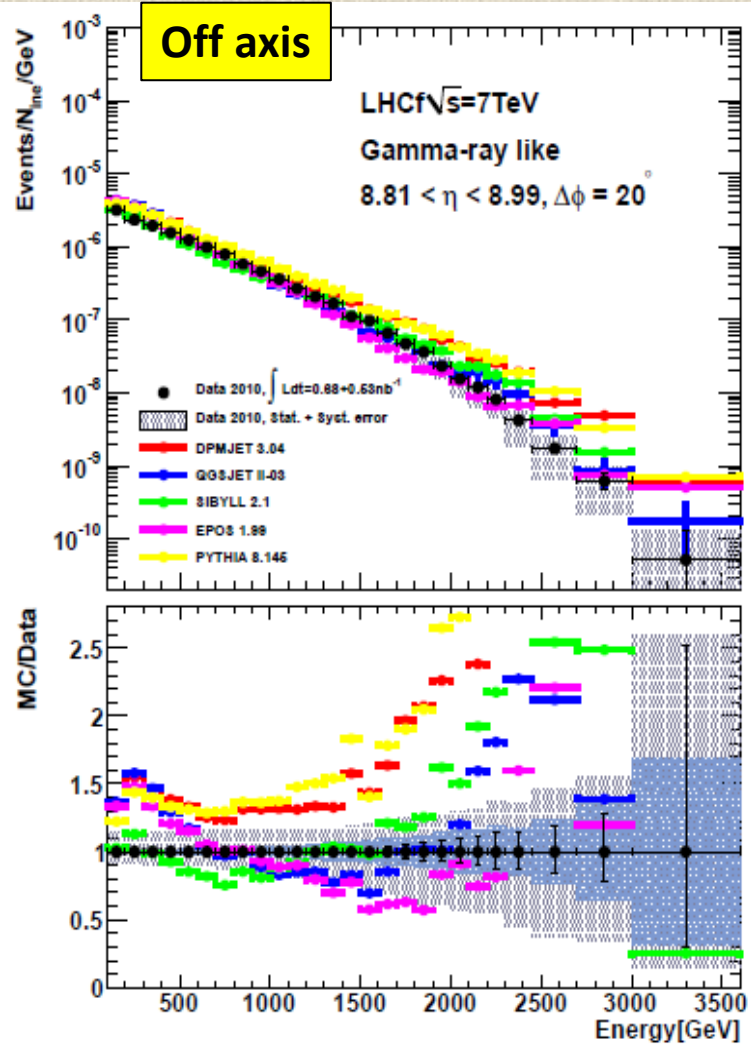
Adriani et al., PLB, 703 (2011) 128-134

0.7 nb⁻¹

Around 0 degree (On axis)



Off axis

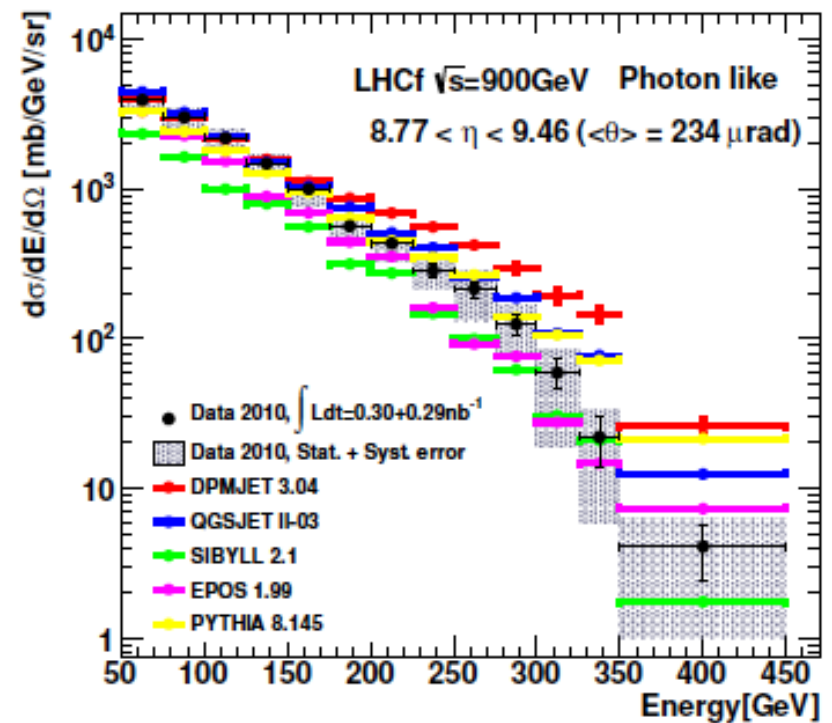
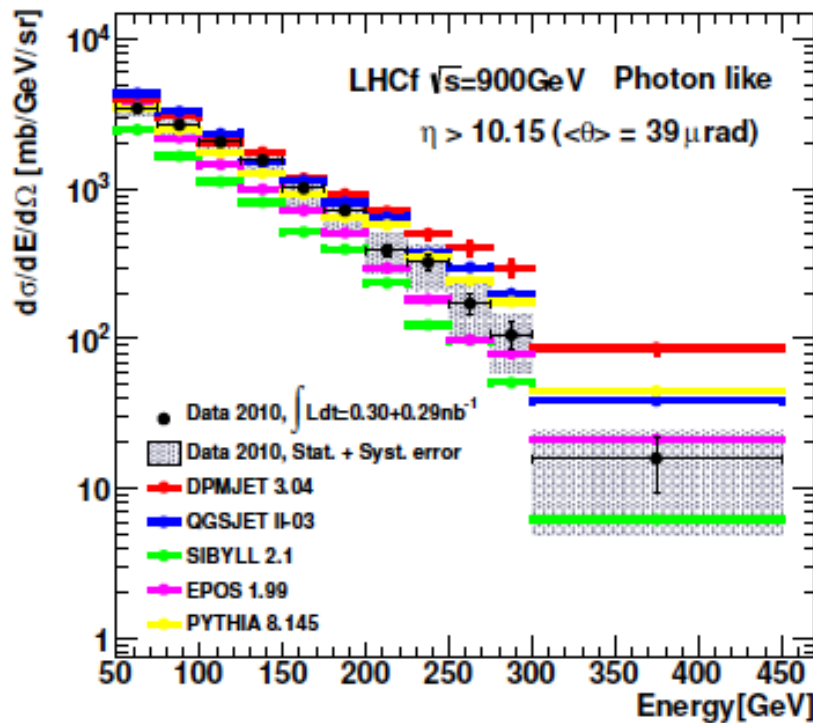


DPMJET 3.04 QGSJET II-03 SIBYLL 2.1 EPOS 1.99 PYTHIA 8.146

Photon spectra @ 900GeV

Adriani et al., PLB, 715 (2012) 298-303

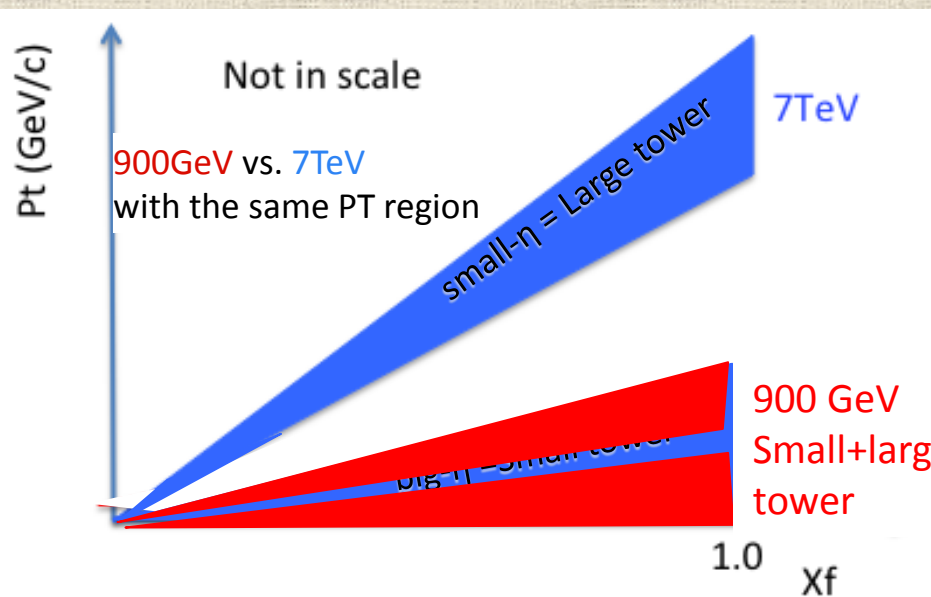
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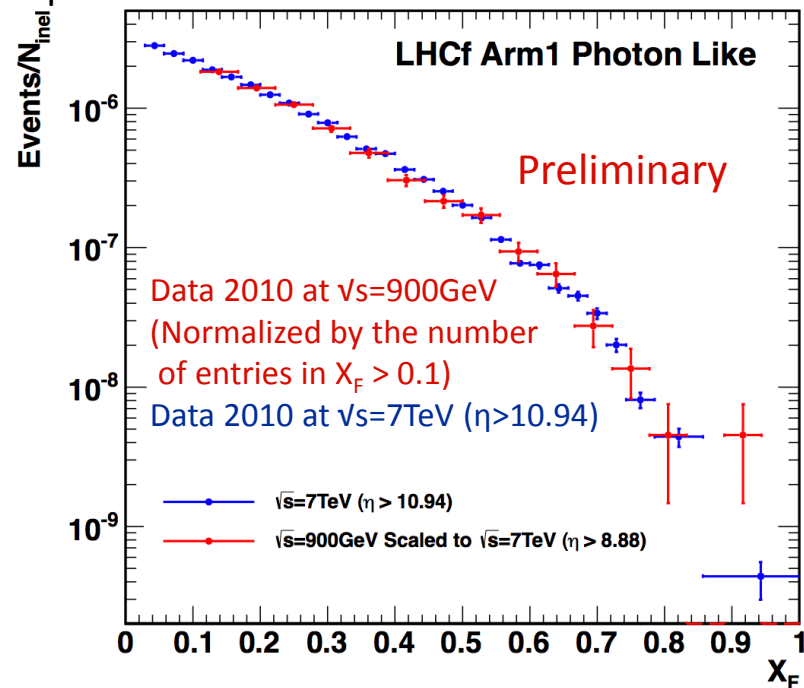
900GeV vs. 7TeV

LHCf coverage in X_F - p_T plane

$$(X_F = E/E_{beam})$$



X_F spectra : 900GeV data vs. 7TeV data



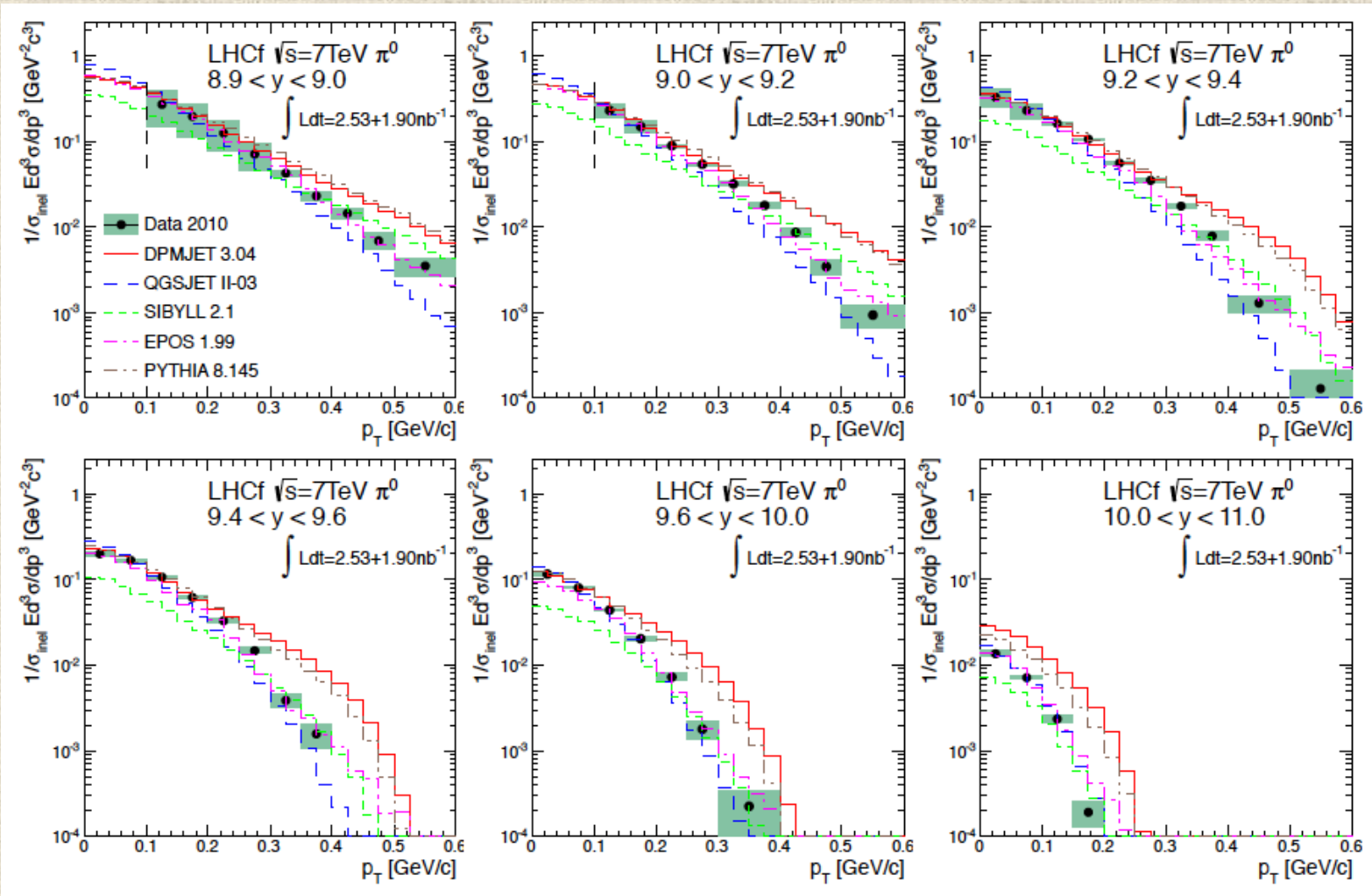
- ✓ Normalized by # of events $X_F > 0.1$
- ✓ Statistical error only

Good agreement of X_F spectrum shape between 900 GeV and 7 TeV.
What will happen at 13 TeV and beyond?

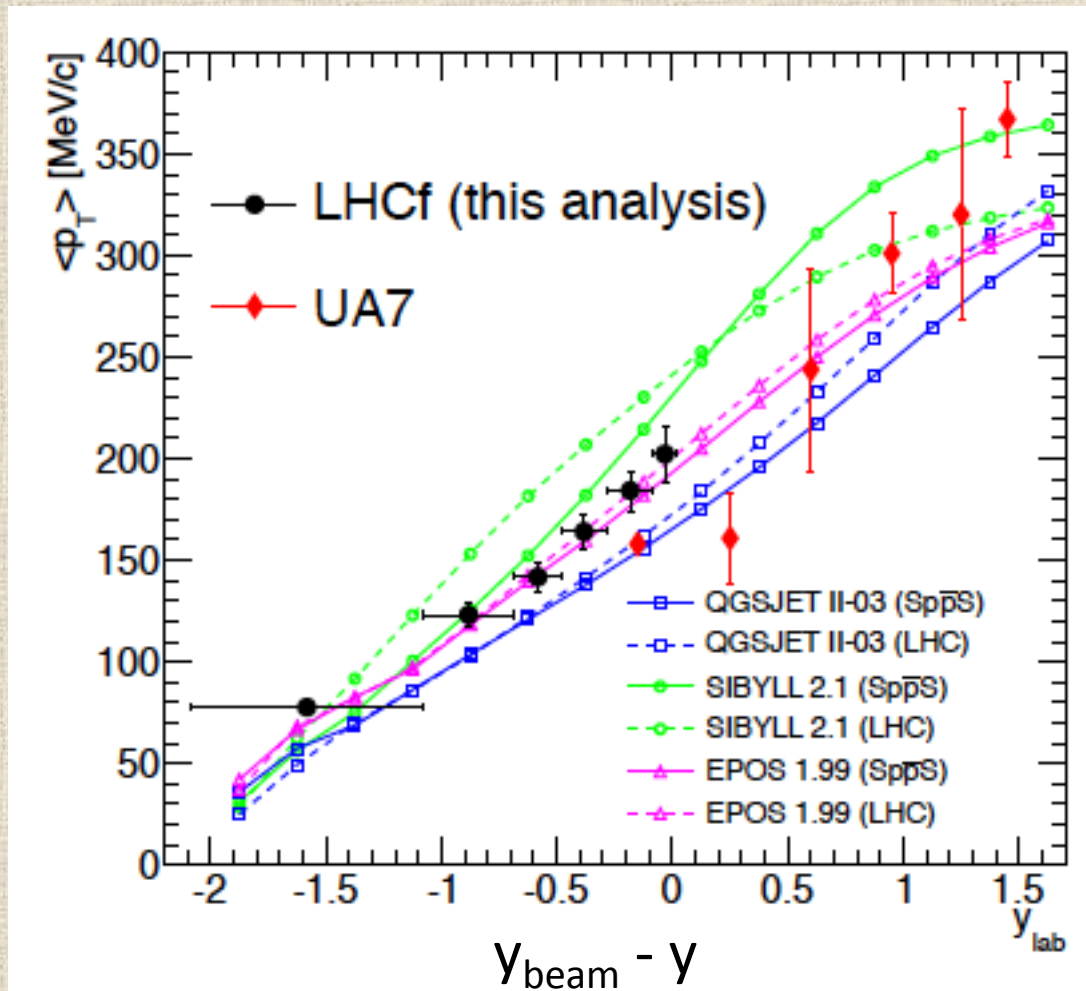
π^0 p_T distribution in different rapidity (y) ranges

2.5 nb⁻¹

Adriani et al., PRD, 86, 092001 (2012)



$\pi^0 \langle p_T \rangle$



$\langle p_T \rangle$ comparison with UA7 at 630GeV
(Pare et al., PLB, 242, 531 (1990))

Low luminosity operation after LS1

Operation at 13 TeV p-p

➤ Physics

- Highest possible accelerator energy ($E_{\text{lab}}=10^{17}$ eV) to approach CR region
- Test vs scaling (or dependence) from 900GeV to extrapolate over 13 TeV

➤ (minimum) Statistics

- Several sets of 1nb^{-1} collision data in early period (even during machine commissioning)

➤ Constraints

- DAQ limits $>2\mu\text{s}$ event interval
- DAQ speed $<1\text{kHz}$
- Negligible pile-up $\Rightarrow O(0.01)$
- Small collision angle dispersion $<10\mu\text{rad}$; high β^*

➤ Ideal beam requirements

- $N_b=43$, $L=5 \times 10^{28} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \Rightarrow 1\text{nb}^{-1}/5\text{h}$ (UNIT)
- $\beta^* \gtrsim 5\text{m}$; just unsqueezed collision

➤ Operation requirements

- Several sets of UNIT operation
- Two operation periods (pilot and main) separated by a week

Summary

➤ LHCf is

- Motivated to improve CR simulations
- A kind of ZDCs installed in the TANs at IP1
- Capable to test models with $\approx \text{nb}^{-1}$ of data
- Upgrading the detectors to be rad-hard during LS1, enabling operation up to 500 pb^{-1}
- Hoping $\mathcal{O}(10 \text{ nb}^{-1})$ of low luminosity ($< 10^{29}$) operation after LS1
- Interested in joining the discussion for p-Pb after LS1
- Interested in future light ion collisions for CR physics

To classify various requests...

(No machine duty cycle considered)

