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Processes with mono-photons in e^+e^- collisions: simulating SM background

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Great expectations for New Physics at the LHC, but no direct evidence (yet?)

Outstanding questions remain + various BSM hints (DM, neutrinos,...)

A plausible scenario with dark matter candidate(s):

- all colored particles very heavy
- a few light EW particles, nearly mass-degenerate
- even charged states difficult to detect due to soft decay products
- dark matter cannot be seen directly

A future e^+e^- collider with:

- clean environment
- fixed CM frame
- polarized beams

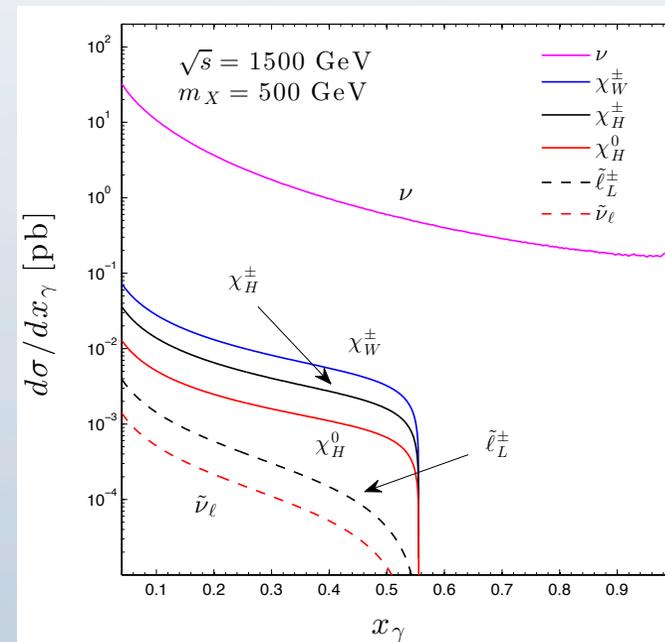
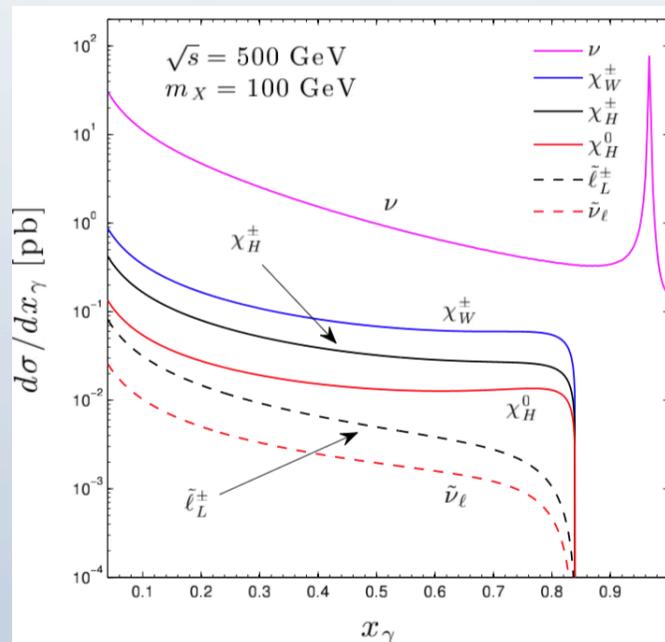
can cope with such a difficult scenario via processes with a photon

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi\chi\gamma \rightarrow \gamma + E^{miss}$$

Processes $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + E^{miss}$ have been exploited in the past:

- counting neutrino families
- anomalous gauge couplings
- search for invisible states like lightest neutralino

e.g. previous studies: DM signal vs. neutrino background



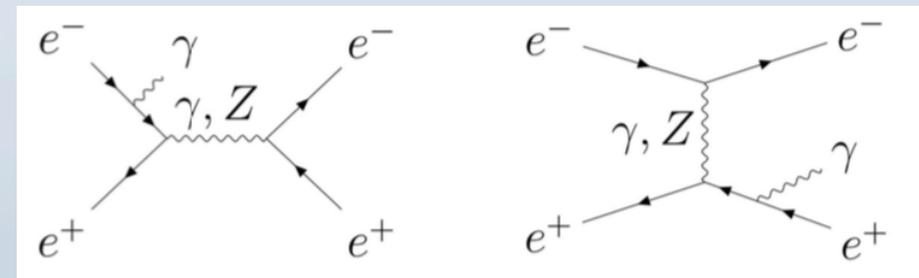
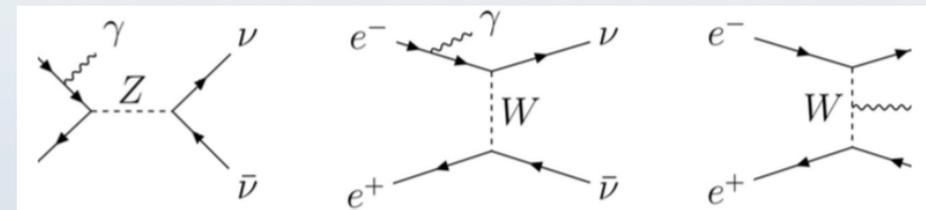
- ◆ Before assessing the discovery potential of the mono-photon processes

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + E^{miss}$$

the SM background must be carefully studied

- ◆ Main SM background processes:

- radiative neutrino production
- radiative Bhabha scattering



- ◆ Goal: simulating mono-photon events with WHIZARD

◆ Simulating photons in Whizard

[JK, W. Kotlarski, P. Sopicki, A.F. Zarnecki, EPJC80\(2020\)634](#)

- photons in Whizard
- merging procedure for ISR and ME photons
- simulating mono-photons in (radiative) neutrino production
- simulating mono-photons in Bhabha scattering

◆ Prospects for future use

[JK, W. Kotlarski, K. Mękała, P. Sopicki, A.F. Zarnecki, in progress](#)

similar studies for ILC: M. Habermehl, J. List. M. Berggren, PRD101(2020)0705053

- ◆ WHIZARD generator provides the ISR structure function option to account for soft photons radiated from initial leptons.
- ◆ It includes all orders of soft and soft-collinear photons as well as up to the third order in high-energy collinear photons.
- ◆ It allows for a proper modeling of the kinematics of hard scattering process
- ◆ WHIZARD ISR photons are not ordinary final state photons: they represent all photons radiated in the event from a given lepton line.

- ◆ ISR structure function does not account for photons emitted from
 - internal lines, like from the t-channel W in neutrino pair production,
 - from the final states in the Bhabha process.
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Goal: establish a procedure for simulating mono-photon events with WHIZARD

Merging procedure for ISR and ME photons

- ◆ Each emitted photon is characterized by two variables:

its energy E_γ and polar angle θ_γ

- ◆ Define for each photon $q_- = \sqrt{4E_0E_\gamma} \sin \frac{\theta_\gamma}{2}$, $q_+ = \sqrt{4E_0E_\gamma} \cos \frac{\theta_\gamma}{2}$

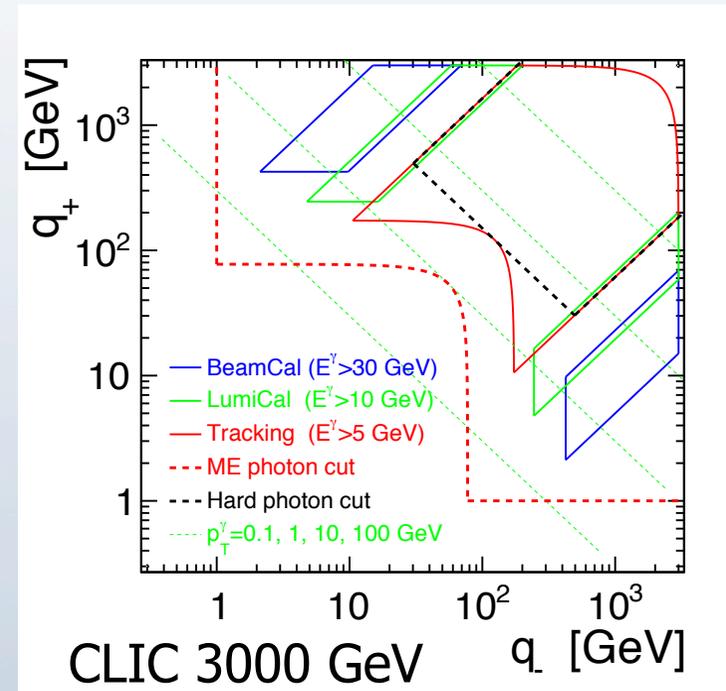
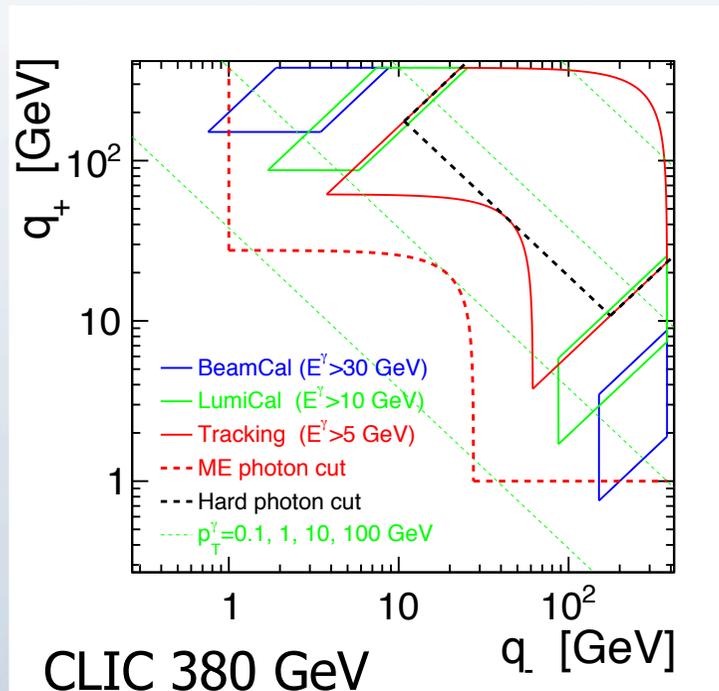
for events with only one photon these variables would correspond to virtualities of electron and/or positron after photon emission

- ◆ Only photons with large enough q_-, q_+ can be measured in the detector
- ◆ Merging of ISR and ME photons at E_{min} and/or $q_-, q_+ = q_{min}$
- ◆ ISR photons are rejected above E_{min} and q_{min}

Merging ISR and ME photons



detector coverage in q_-, q_+ plane



$$E_{min} = 1 \text{ GeV}, \quad q_{min} = 1 \text{ GeV}$$

Merging: neutrino sample



Testing the merging procedure

$\sqrt{s} [GeV]$	Whizard-2.8 $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu})$ [fb]				$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu})$ [fb] after ISR rejection
	$\nu\bar{\nu}$	$\nu\bar{\nu} + \gamma_{ME}$	$\nu\bar{\nu} + 2\gamma_{ME}$	$\nu\bar{\nu} + 3\gamma_{ME}$	
240	53900	12600	1300	64	53800
250	53300	12200	1300	60	53000
380	50900	10900	1200	55	50600
500	51200	11300	1200	75	51200
1000	52800	13600	1700	120	52200
1500	53300	15400	2200	170	52100
3000	53900	18500	3100	180	52400

↑
ISR radiation
before rejection

↑
after ISR-ME
merging

$$E_{min} = 1 \text{ GeV}, \quad q_{min} = 1 \text{ GeV}$$

Merging: neutrino sample



Testing the merging procedure: **impact of q_{min} value**

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380	$q_{min}=0.1$	50900	16500	2600	220	50000
	$q_{min}=0.5$		12600	1600	110	50400
	$q_{min}=1$		10900	1200	55	50600
	$q_{min}=5$		7000	480	15	50700
	$q_{min}=10$		5300	270	7	50800
	$q_{min}=50$		1400	21	0	50500
3000	$q_{min}=0.1$	53900	26200	6300	970	52200
	$q_{min}=0.5$		20700	4000	410	52300
	$q_{min}=1$		18500	3100	180	52400
	$q_{min}=5$		13000	1600	74	52700
	$q_{min}=10$		10700	1100	57	52600
	$q_{min}=50$		5200	260	2	52800

contributions of multi-photon events strongly depend on q_{min} ,
while total cross section after ISR rejection is weakly dependent on q_{min}

we take $q_{min} = 1$ GeV as a default value

Merging: neutrino sample



Only small fraction of photons can be measured in the detector

additional hard photon selection: $p_T > 5 \text{ GeV}$, $7^\circ < \theta < 173^\circ$

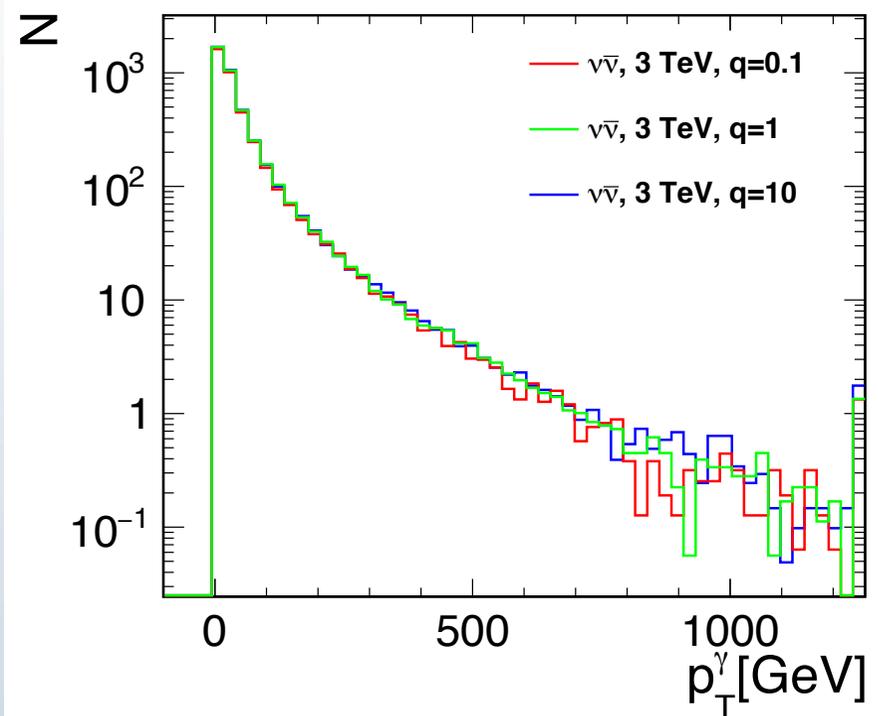
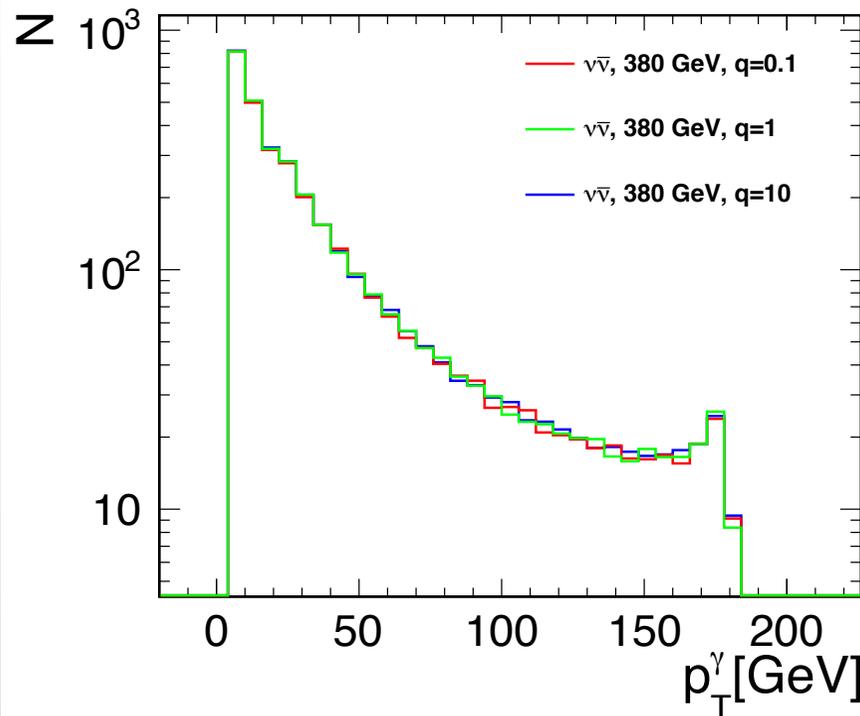
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380	$q_{min}=0.1$	3200	910	120	3000
	$q_{min}=0.5$	3200	670	55	3000
	$q_{min}=1$	3200	570	43	3100
	$q_{min}=5$	3200	340	10	3100
	$q_{min}=10$	3200	230	6	3100
	$q_{min}=50$	1400	22	0	1400
3000	$q_{min}=0.1$	4200	1900	260	3700
	$q_{min}=0.5$	4200	1500	220	3900
	$q_{min}=1$	4200	1300	140	3900
	$q_{min}=5$	4200	850	66	3900
	$q_{min}=10$	4200	680	31	3900
	$q_{min}=50$	4000	240	2	3700

one "hard" photon required

Merging: neutrino sample



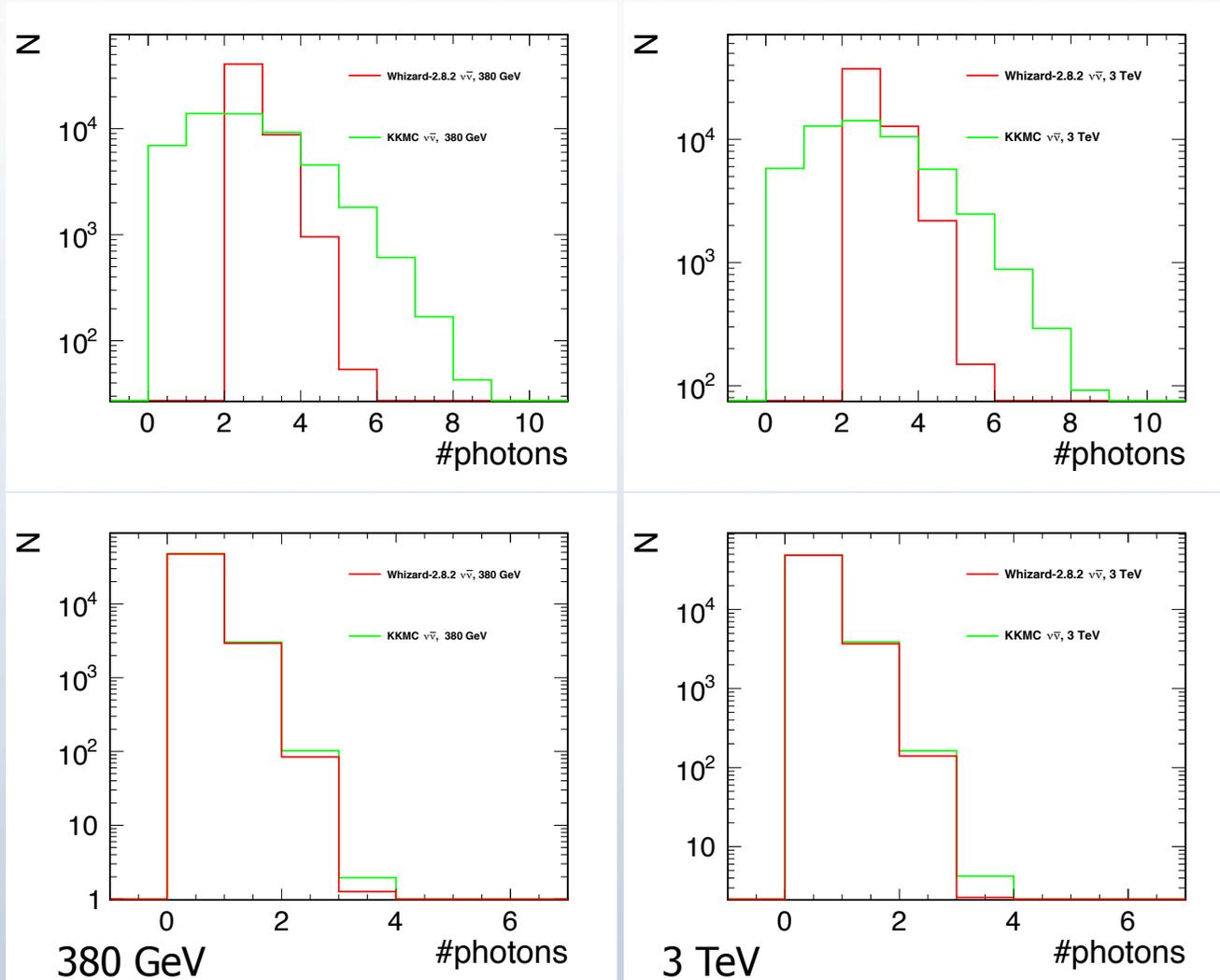
Testing the merging procedure: hard photon transverse momenta



after hard photon selection the distributions are not sensitive to q_{\min}

Comparison with *KK* MC: photon multiplicity

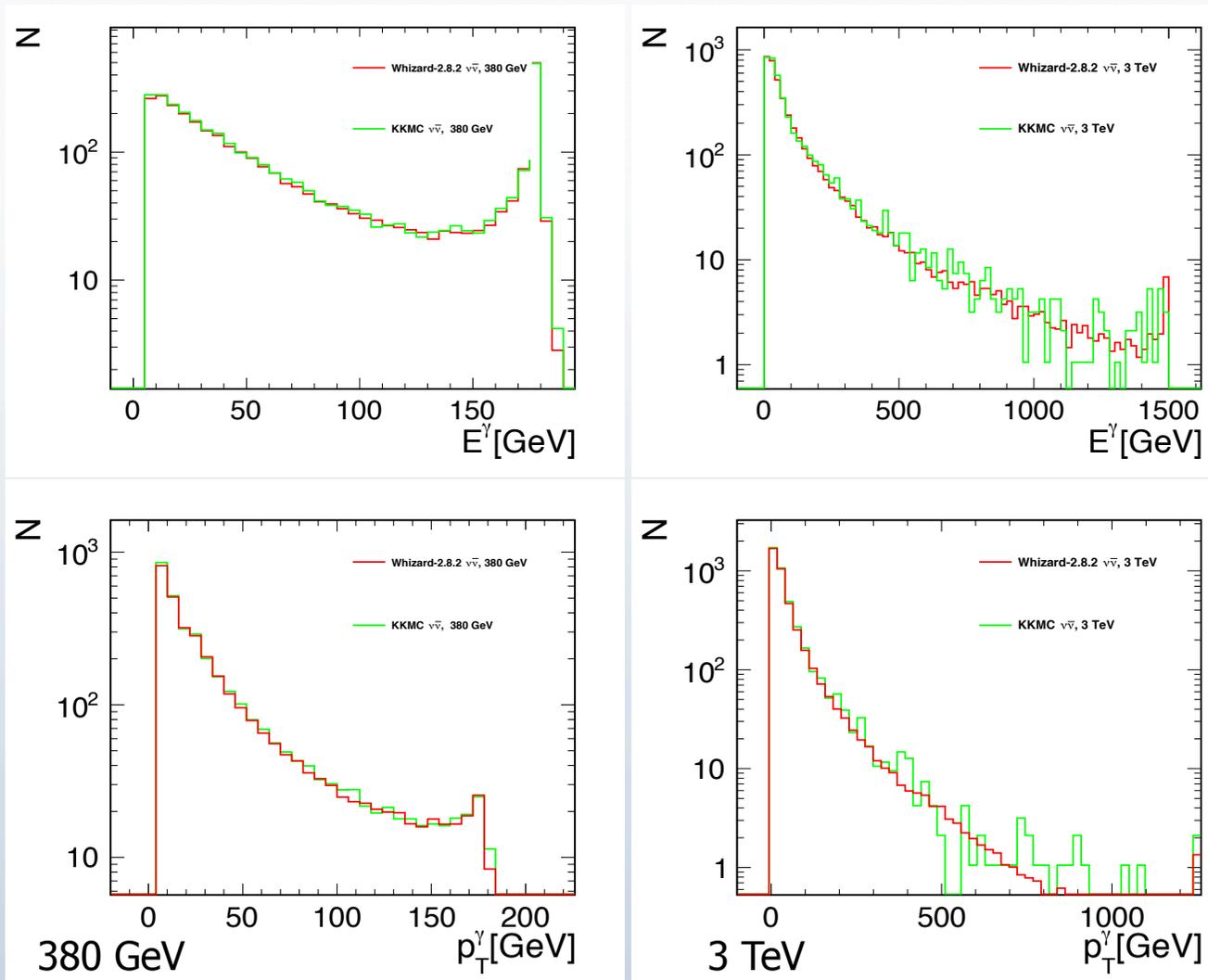
KKMC: soft photon resummation in CEEEX + exact $O(\text{Born} + \alpha^{3/2})$



all photons

after hard photon selection

Comparison with *KK* MC: photon p_T



after hard photon selection

Merging: Bhabha sample

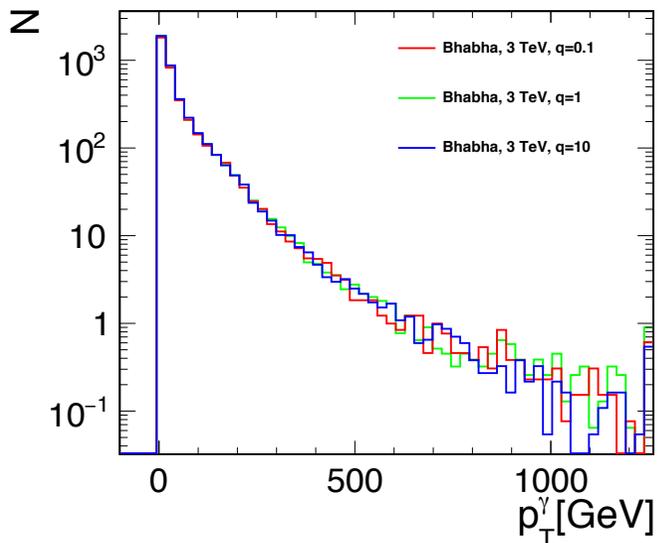
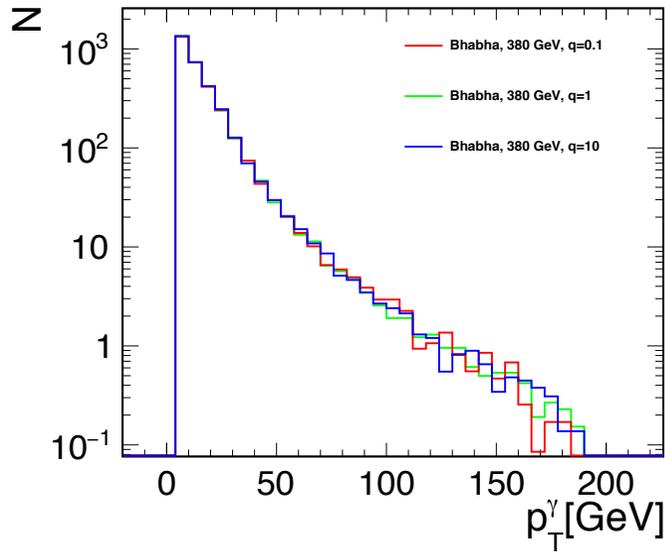


- leptons need not to be observed in the dectector
 - > no constraints on scattering angle or q_{\min}
- requirement of a hard photon removes most divergencies
 - > at least one ME photon to be 'hard'
- collinear divergencies
 - > angular separation between lepton and photon $\theta_{\min}^{e\gamma} = 1^\circ$

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380	140000	18400	1200	128000
500	100000	14600	1100	89800
1000	39800	7700	700	34400
1500	23000	5300	500	19400
3000	8800	2700	300	7200

at least one ME photon is hard

Merging: Bhabha sample



at least one ME photon 'hard'

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	$q_{min}=5$	141000	10000	400	131000
	$q_{min}=10$	140000	5100	170	145000
	$q_{min}=50$	11200	160	2	11000
3000	$q_{min}=0.1$	8900	3700	420	6400
	$q_{min}=0.5$	9000	3000	230	7000
	$q_{min}=1$	8800	2700	300	7200
	$q_{min}=5$	8900	2000	140	7600
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	$q_{min}=50$	7000	300	10	6100

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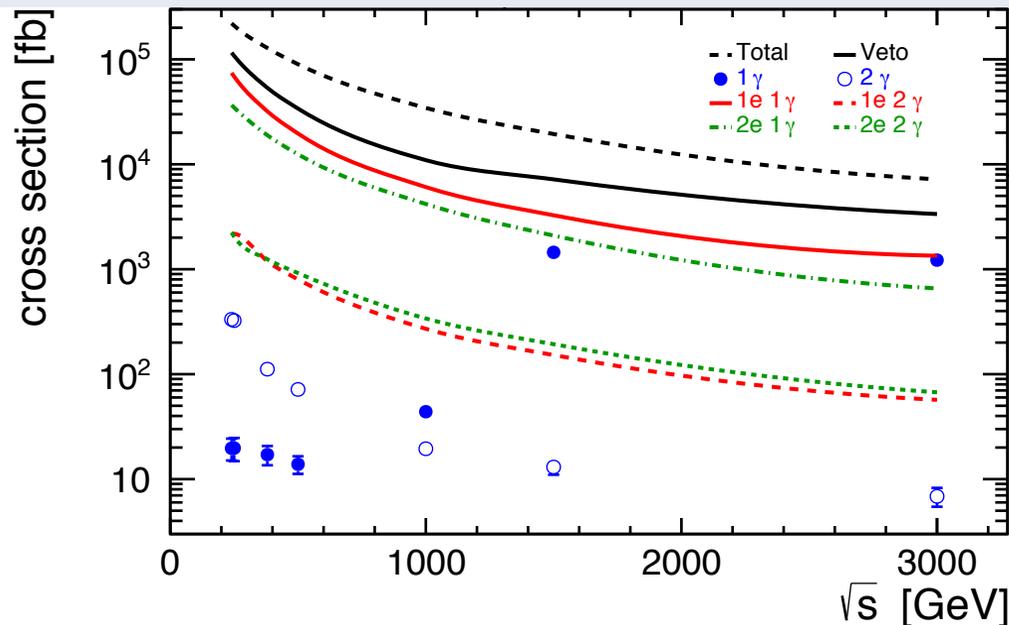
Neutrino vs Bhabha



neutrino pair production with hard photon is dominated by events with only a single photon visible in the detector

for Bhabha the p_T of hard photon has to be balanced either by scattered lepton or by emission of additional photons

applying a veto on energy deposits in BeamCal and LumiCal \sim half of the events can be identified and rejected



important to understand performance of the detector and its modeling to suppress Bhabha background

Prospects for future use

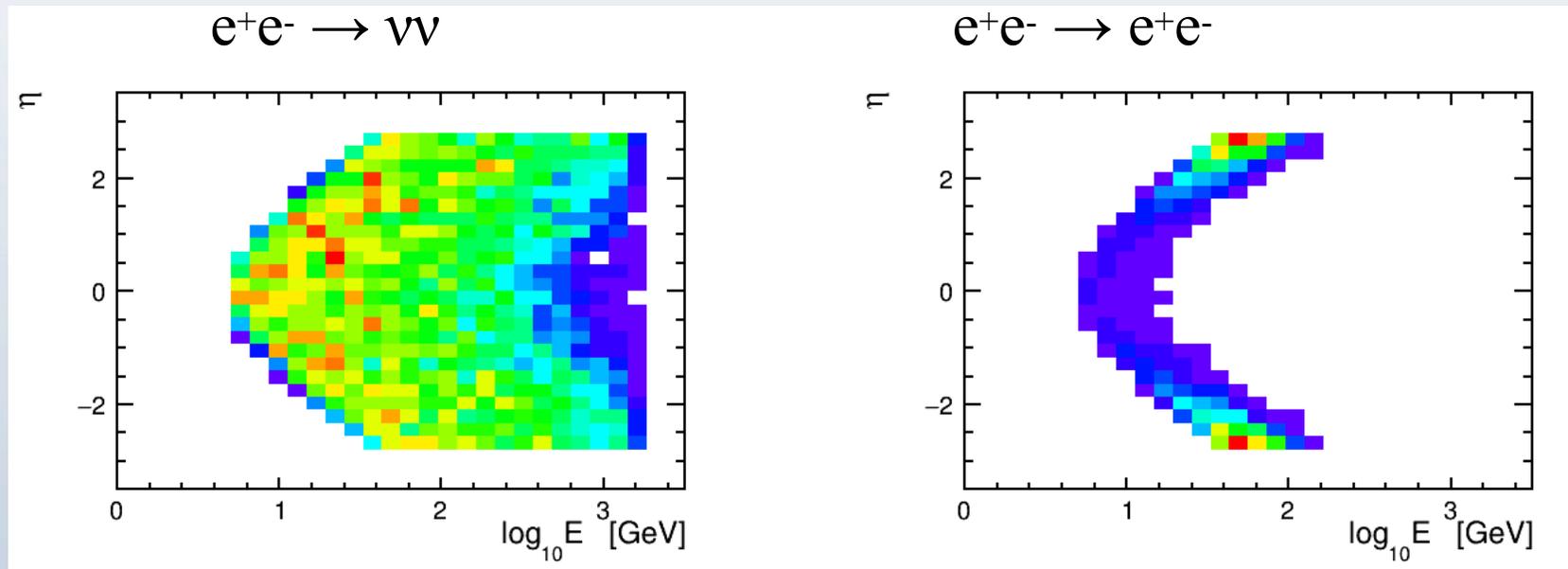


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Proposed procedure should be useful for simulation of BSM mono-photons in Whizard

example: dark matter searches

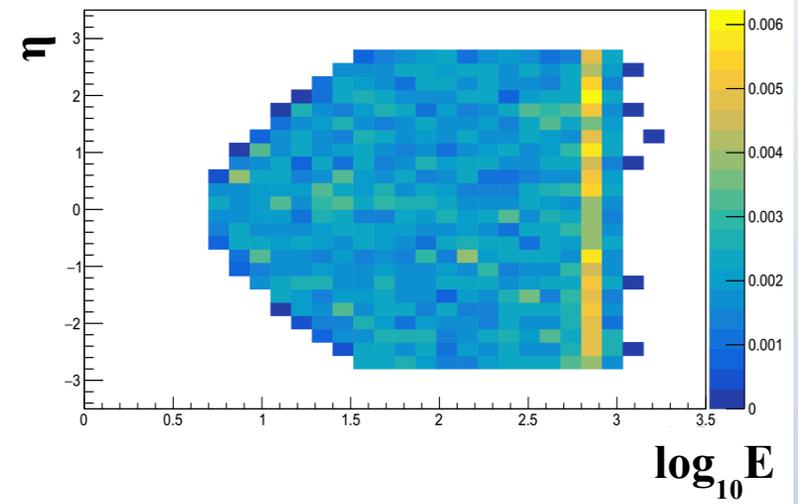
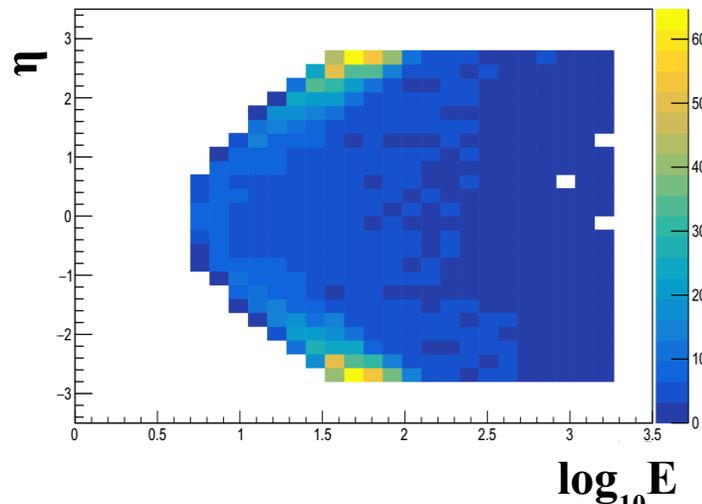
experimental-like approach using 2-D distributions



SM background at 3 TeV CLIC (generator level cuts only)

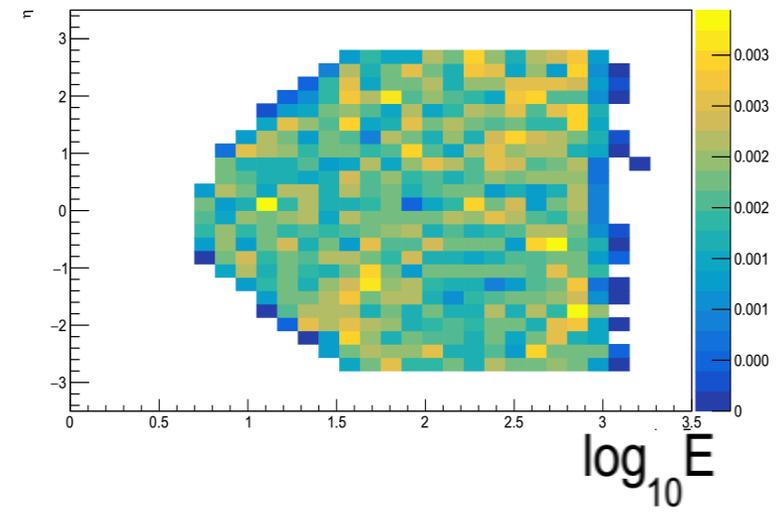
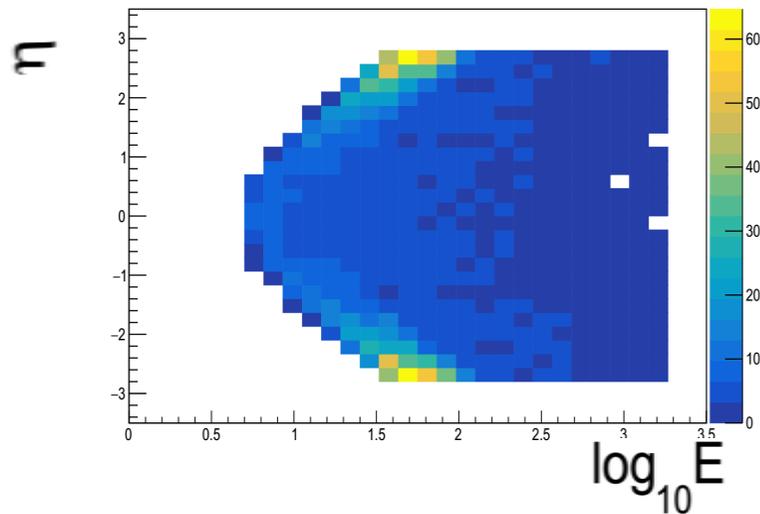
example: dark matter coupled to the SM particles via a mediator

- Main backgrounds vs signal @ 3TeV CLIC
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu} + e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ $M_{DM}=50\text{GeV}$ $M_{med}=2\text{TeV}$ $\Gamma_{med}=50\text{GeV}$



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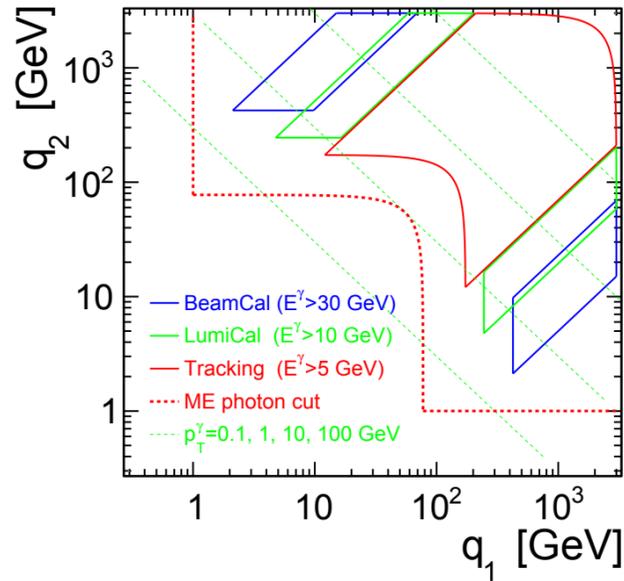
- Main backgrounds vs signal @ 3TeV CLIC
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\nu + e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ $M_{DM}=50\text{GeV}$ $M_{med}=2\text{TeV}$ $\Gamma_{med}=500\text{GeV}$



- ◆ Proposed merging procedure allows to treat two main SM backgrounds for mono-photon events on equal footing
- ◆ Reliable simulation of the mono-photons in Whizard demonstrated
- ◆ The same procedure can be applied for polarised beams
- ◆ Results checked against *KK* MC generator for neutrino pairs
- ◆ Background from Bhabha strongly depends on detector performance and electron veto efficiency
- ◆ Our procedure should be useful for simulating BSM mono-photon events in Whizard

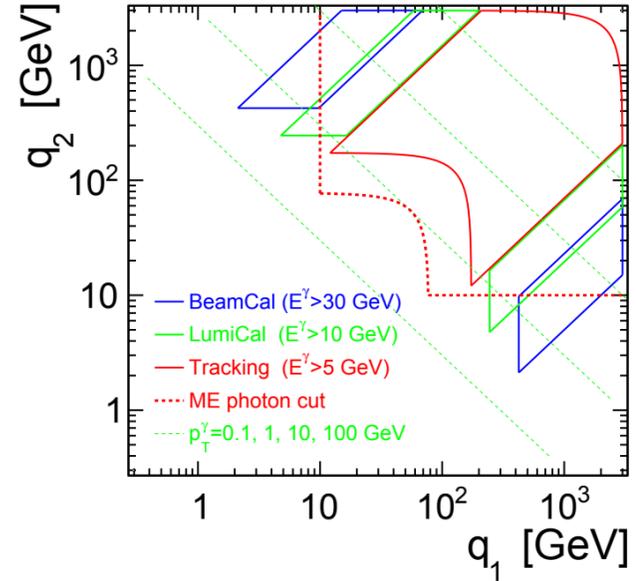
additional slides

CLIC detector design -> $q_{\min} = 1$ GeV preferred since no ISR photons reach Beam Cal



$q^{\min} = 1$ GeV

Plots for
3 TeV
case

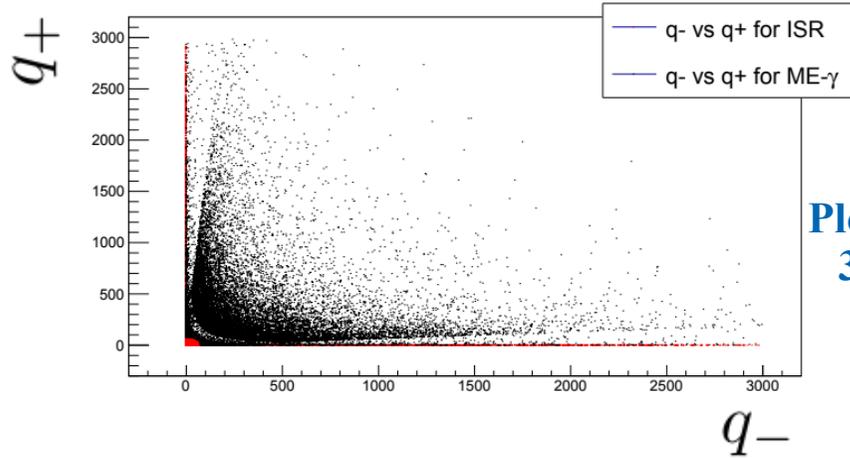


$q^{\min} = 10$ GeV

Merging ISR and ME photons in WHIZARD

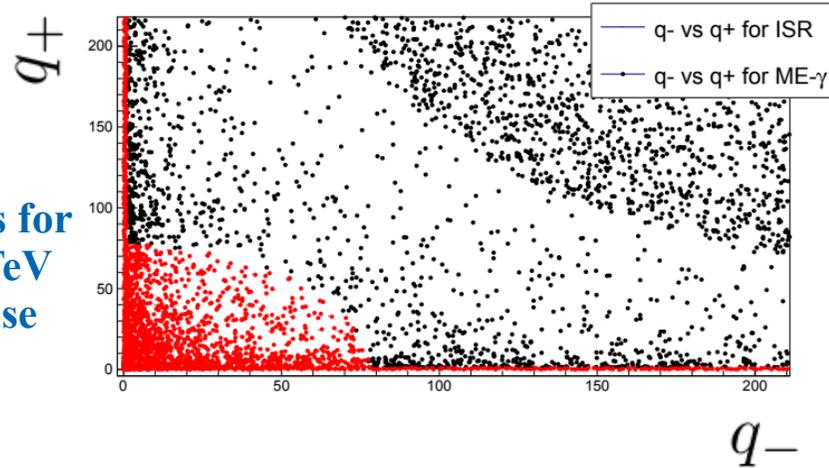


Neutrino sample

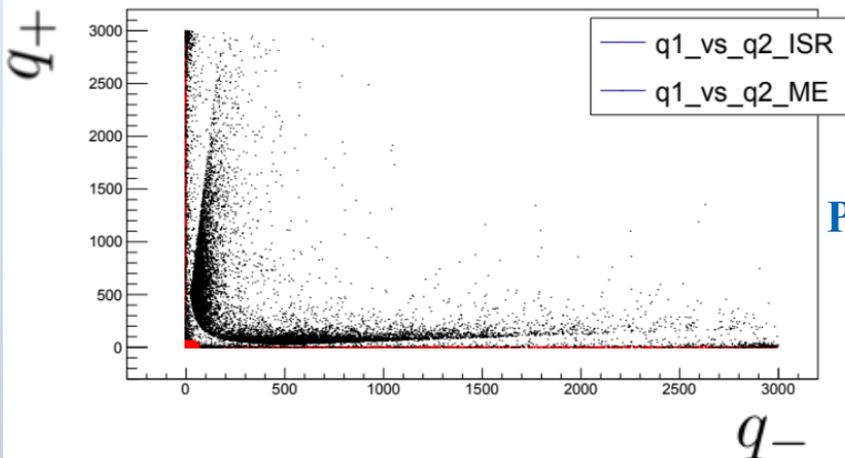


Plots for
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Zoom

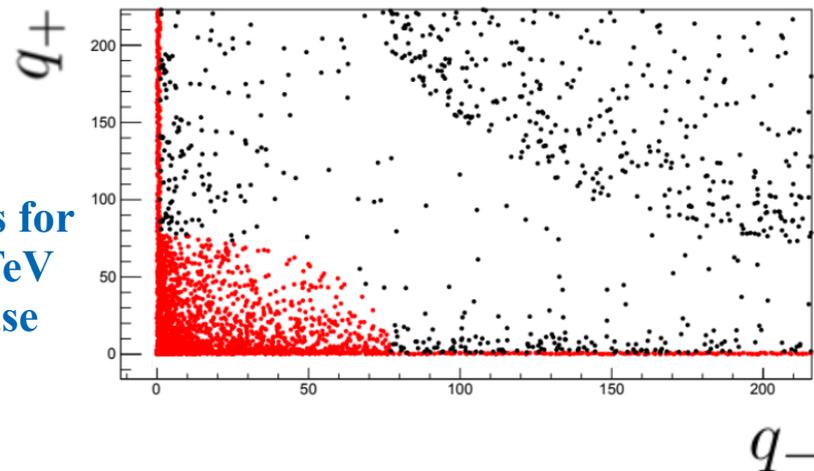


Bhabha sample



Plots for
3 TeV
case

Zoom



$p_t > 5$ GeV

red points – ISR photons, black points – ME photons

Example of generating neutrino events



Sindarin file for Whizard

```
# model      = SM_CKM
model       = SM
sqrt_s     = 3000 GeV
n_events   = 100000
checkpoint = 1000
mH         = 12 TeV
alphas     = 0 # to remove overlap with higher multiplicities
show (model)
alias nu   = n1:n2:n3
alias NU   = N1:N2:N3
process eevv  = e1, E1 => (nu, NU)
process eevv1a = e1, E1 => (nu, NU, A)
process eevv2a = e1, E1 => (nu, NU, A, A)
process eevv3a = e1, E1 => (nu, NU, A, A, A)
process eevv4a = e1, E1 => (nu, NU, A, A, A, A)
cuts = let subevt @meA = select if Index > 2 [A]
      in all 2*sqrt(1500.*E)*sin(Theta/2.) > 10 GeV [@meA]
      and all 2*sqrt(1500.*E)*cos(Theta/2.) > 10 GeV [@meA]
compile
beams = e1, E1 => isr
?isr_handler      = true
$isr_handler_mode = "recoil"
?keep_beams      = true
?keep_remnants   = true
isr_mass = me
integrate (eevv,eevv1a,eevv2a) {relative_error_goal=0.01
  iterations = 20:20000:"gw", 5:50000:""}
integrate (eevv3a,eevv4a) {relative_error_goal=0.05
  iterations = 10:20000:"", 10:20000:"w",
  10:20000:"gw", 5:50000:""}
$sample = "sm_eevv_selection"
?write_raw = false
sample_format = mokka

$extension_stdhep = "stdhep"
$extension_mokka = "mokka"
?unweighted = true

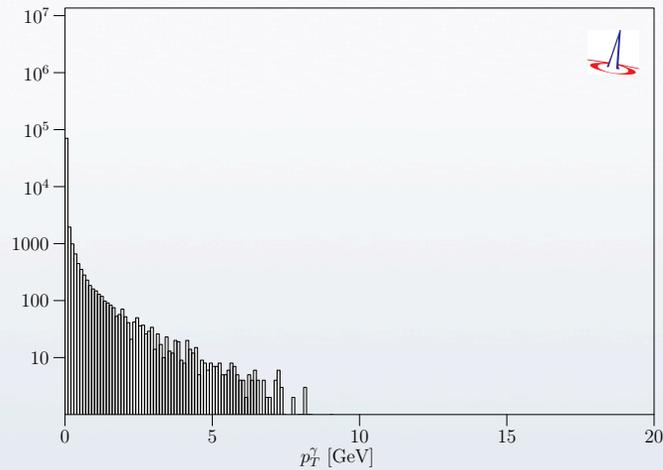
selection = all 2*sqrt(1500.*E)*sin(Theta/2.) < 10 GeV [extract index 1 [A]]
          and
          all 2*sqrt(1500.*E)*cos(Theta/2.) < 10 GeV [extract index 2 [A]]
histogram isr_pt (0 GeV, 20 GeV, 0.1 GeV) {
  $title = "ISR photon transverse momentum"
  $x_label = "$p_{T}^{\gamma}$ [GeV]"
  ?y_log = true
  y_min = 1}
histogram isr_q1 (-5, 5, 0.05) {
  $title = "ISR photon momentum transfer"
  $x_label = "$log_{10} |q|/GeV$"
}
histogram photon_pt (0 GeV, 20 GeV, 0.1 GeV) {
  $title = "ME photon transverse momentum"
  $x_label = "$p_{T}^{\gamma}$ [GeV]"
  ?y_log = true
  y_min = 1}
histogram photon_q1 (-5, 5, 0.05) {
  $title = "ME photon momentum transfer"
  $x_label = "$log_{10} |q|/GeV$"
}
analysis = record isr_pt ( eval Pt [extract index 1 [A]]);
          record isr_q1 ( eval log10(2*sqrt(1500.*E)*sin(Theta/2.))
            [extract index 1 [A]]);
          record photon_pt ( eval Pt [extract index 1 [sort by -Pt [A]]]);
          record photon_q1 ( eval log10(2*sqrt(1500.*E)*sin(Theta/2.))
            [extract index 1 [sort by -Pt [A]]])
simulate (eevv,eevv1a,eevv2a,eevv3a,eevv4a)
compile_analysis
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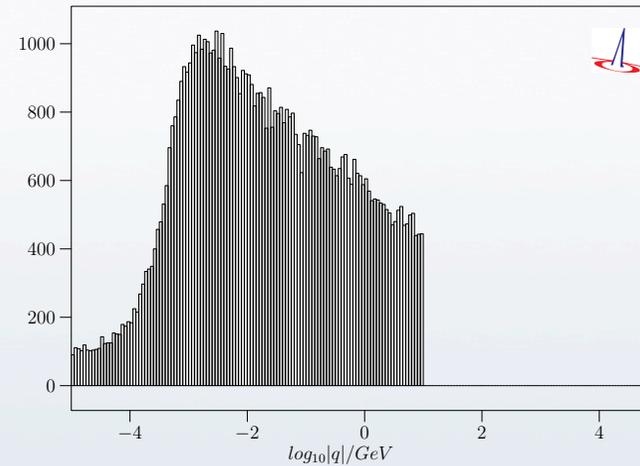


output from Whizard

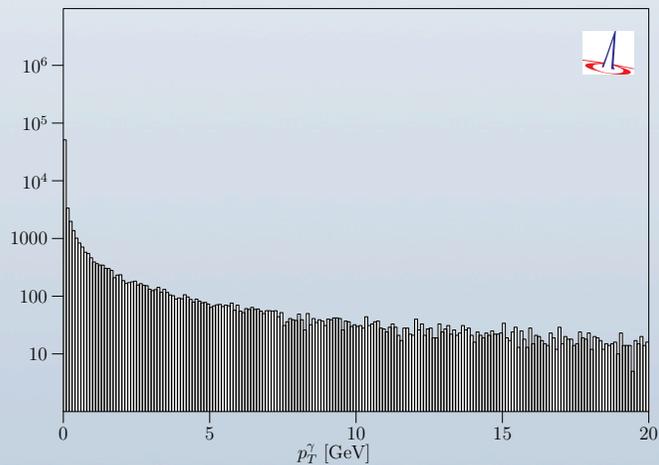
1 ISR photon transverse momentum



2 ISR photon momentum transfer



3 ME photon transverse momentum



4 ME photon momentum transfer

