



Observation of Exclusive $\gamma\gamma$ Production in CDF



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3 Classes of Hadron-Hadron Collisions:

- >> Elastic Scattering : no particles produced
- >> Inelastic : multi- hadron production
- >> Inelastic, with no hadrons produced

↑
ALMOST ELASTIC



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Introduction

$$p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + X + \bar{p} \quad X = e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-, J/\psi, \psi(2S), \chi_c, \gamma\gamma$$

CDF Detectors, Triggers & Data

Selection of Exclusive Events:

$$p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + \{2EM \text{ showers}\} + \bar{p}$$

e^+e^- , $\gamma\gamma$, or $\pi^0\pi^0$ background ?, Cross sections

Summary & Conclusions

Implications for Exclusive Higgs at LHC



Executive Summary



In CDF we have observed ($\gg 5 \sigma$) the new clean process:

$$p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + \gamma\gamma + \bar{p}$$

Photons central, $E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}$

The cross section is about 2.5 pb, i.e. 1 per 25 billion inelastic collisions

Needed:

A good level 1 trigger (EM showers + Forward gap-seeds)

Extended rapidity coverage of CDF to $\eta = \pm 7.4$

Understand noise levels in all calorimeters and counters.

Demonstrate we understand “empty events” (non-interaction in 0-bias)

Use $p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + e^+e^- + \bar{p}$ via $\gamma\gamma$ (QED) as a control (σ known)

Show that EM showers are from γ and not π^0



High Energy Hadron-Hadron Collisions



TWO DISTINCT CLASSES:

Elastic

$\sigma(\text{elastic}) \sim 20 \text{ mb}$

Inelastic, multi-hadron production

$\sigma(\text{inelastic}) \sim 60 \text{ mb}$ (at Tevatron)

NOT DISTINCT CLASSES:

Diffractive

Non-diffractive

A “NEW” 3rd DISTINCT CLASS:

Almost elastic (99%), no hadrons produced:

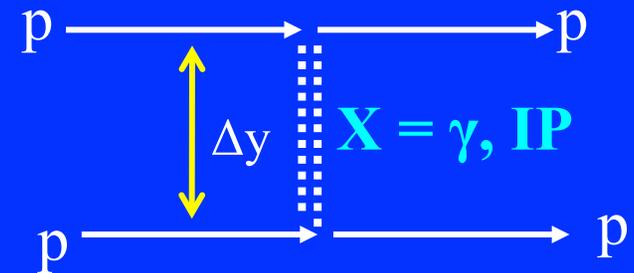
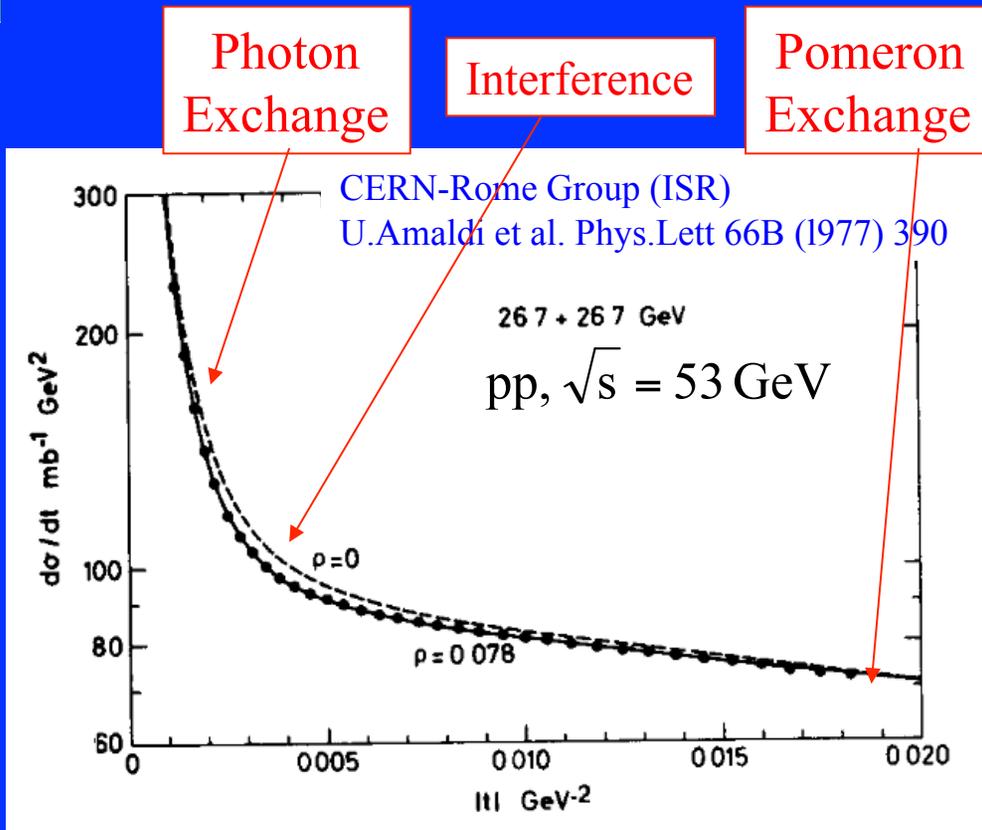
e^+e^- $\mu^+\mu^-$ $\gamma+\gamma$ & at LHC: $W+W^-$ H

Observed in CDF, $\sigma \sim \text{pb}$

Observable at LHC, $\sigma \sim 10^3 \text{ fb}$



Elastic pp scattering at very small angles == large distances



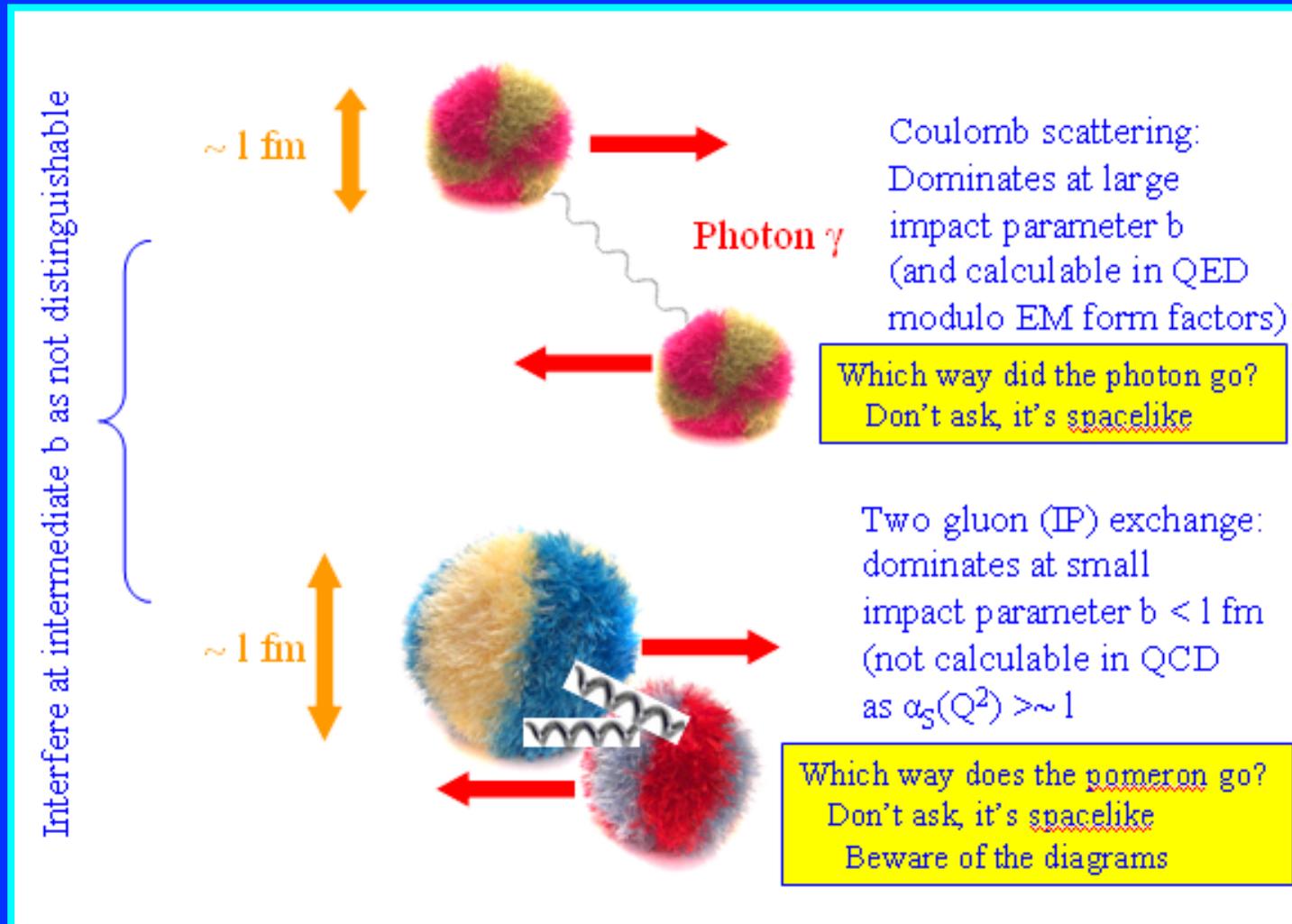
The only allowed t-channel exchanges have $Q = 0$, Color = 0 and at high energy (Large Δy) spin $J \geq 1$.

Photon dominates at small $|t| \sim p_T^2$

Strong Interaction: 2-gluons is simplest. Called the **pomeron** IP
Effective spin $\alpha(t=0) > 1 \dots$ that's why total cross section σ_{TOT} rises.



Elastic Scattering by Electromagnetic and Strong Interactions

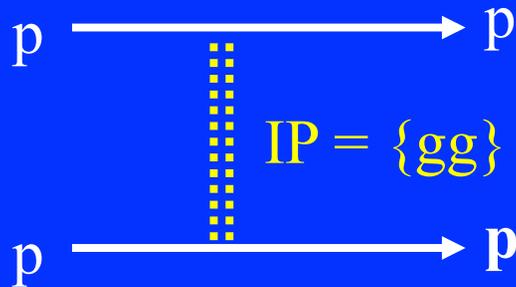




Elastic Scattering by strong interaction

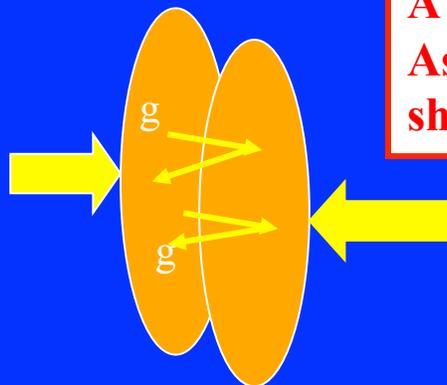


MISLEADING PICTURE



Unlike the QED case, do not imagine this as the emission from one proton of a color singlet $\{gg\}$ state (glueball) propagating freely like a hadron.

ANOTHER (BETTER) VISUALIZATION:

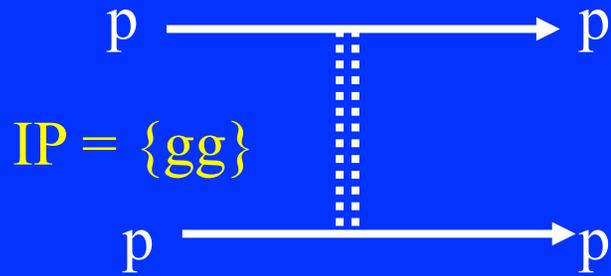


**A wee x_{Bj} gluon is turned around.
As the p separate ... color field ...
shorted out by a 2nd exchange**

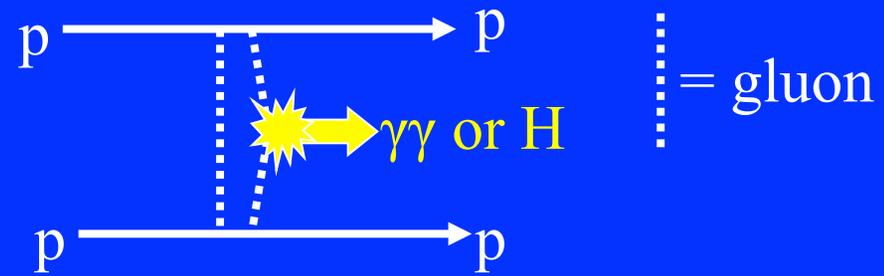
**Or: a pair of gluons annihilate ($\rightarrow H$ e.g.).
As the p separate ... color field ...
shorted out by a 2nd exchange (rarely)**



From elastic scattering to exclusive $\gamma\gamma$ or H production



About 25% of σ_{TOT}

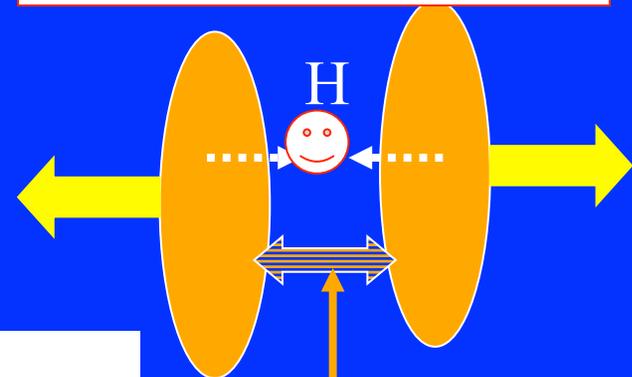
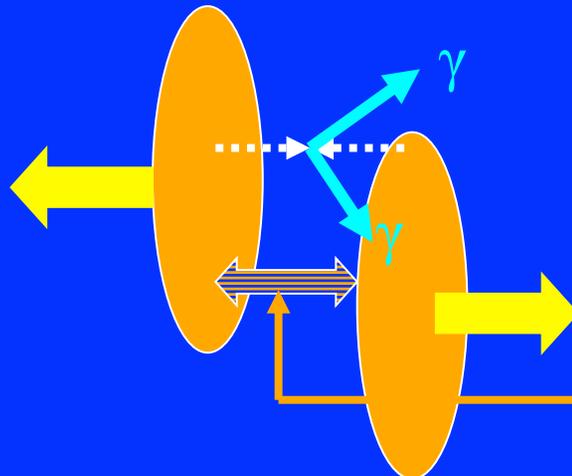


About $10^{-11} - 10^{-13}$ of σ_{TOT}

These are related processes!

$$p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + \gamma\gamma + \bar{p}$$

$$p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + H + \bar{p}$$



Color field;
shorted out by
another g exchange

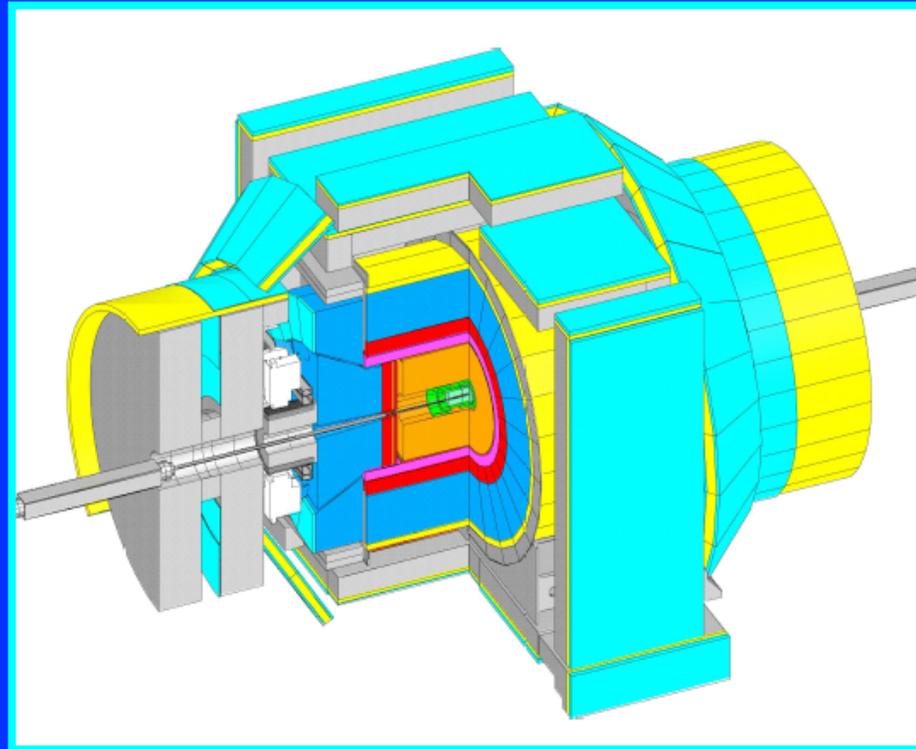


CDF: The Collider Detector at Fermilab



CENTRAL:

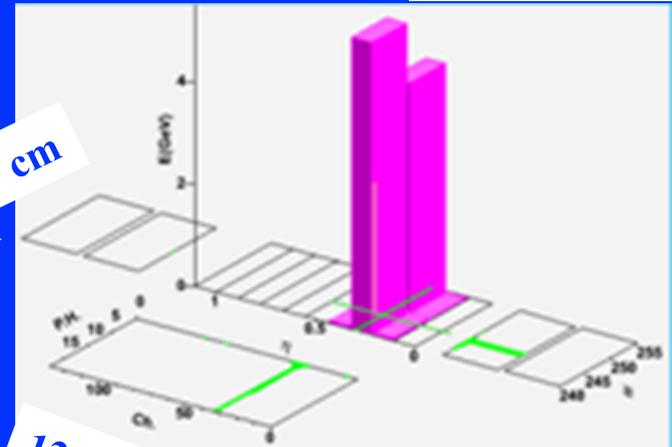
- Silicon tracker ← COT
- Drift chamber tracker**
- Time-of-Flight barrel
- EM calorimeters w/ CES shower max PC**
- Hadron Calorimeters
- Muon chambers



FORWARD
NEXT slides
(Important)

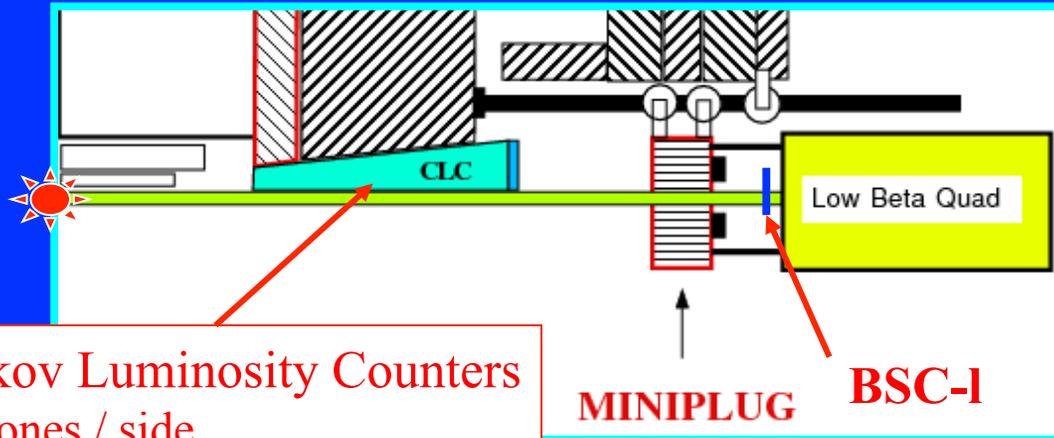
10 GeV electron

CES shower maximum
proportional chambers
at $6 X_0$
1.5 cm anode wires in ϕ
1.7 – 2.0 cm strips in η
92% active over $|\eta| < 1.1$





Forward Detectors in CDF I: Cherenkov Luminosity Counters



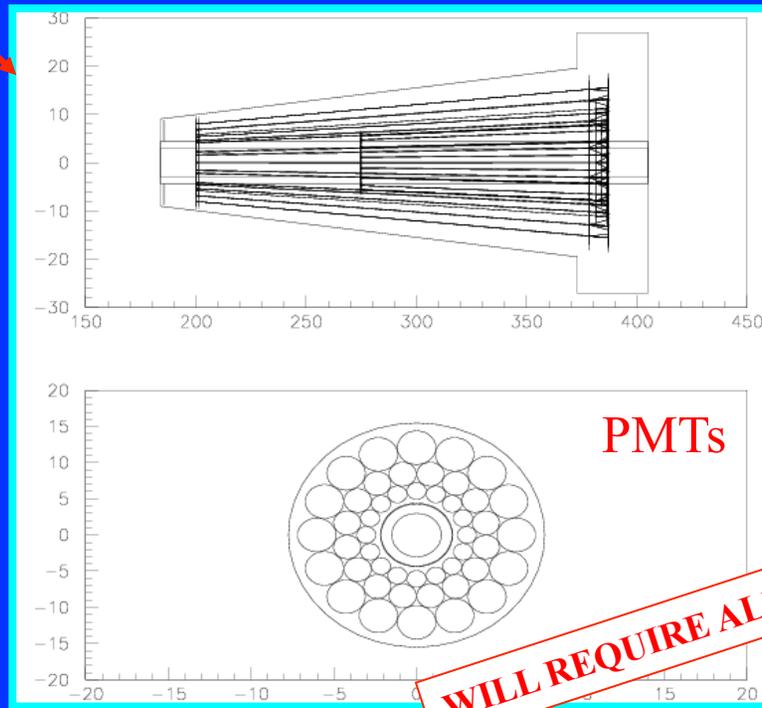
CLC = Cherenkov Luminosity Counters
48 PMT + Gas cones / side

BSC-2, -3

$3.7 < |\eta| < 4.7$

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WILL REQUIRE ALL PMTS < NOISE CUT

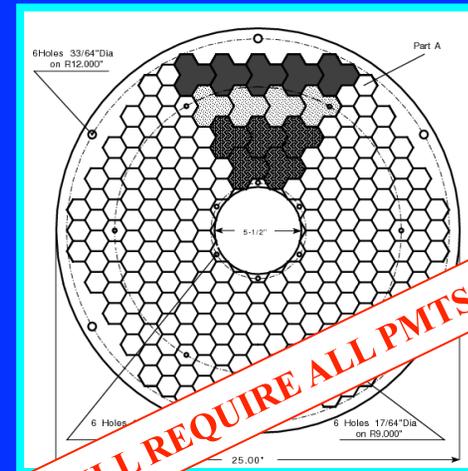
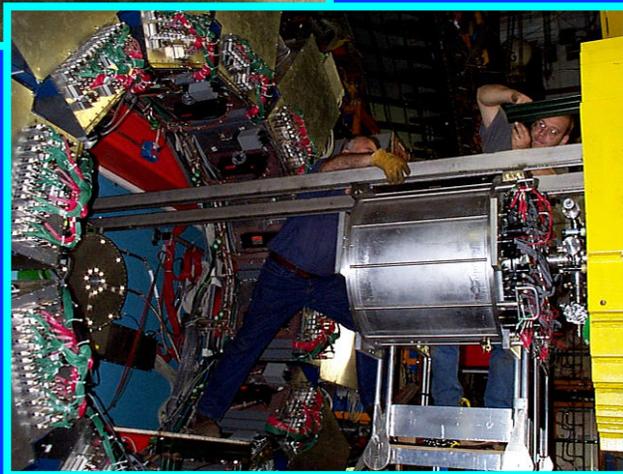


Very Forward Detectors in CDF II : MiniPlugs



MiniPlug Calorimeters: $3.6 < |\eta| < 5.1$
Lead + Liquid Scintillator + WLS Fibers

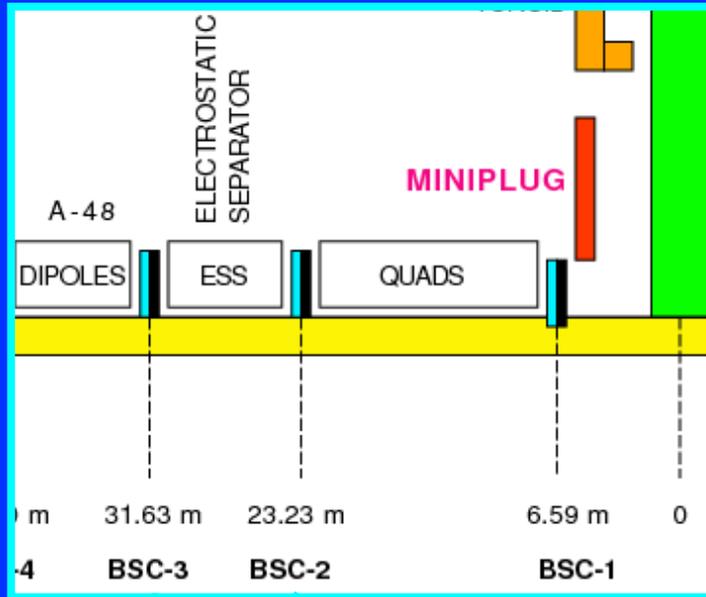
Rockefeller Univ.



WILL REQUIRE ALL PMTS < NOISE CUT



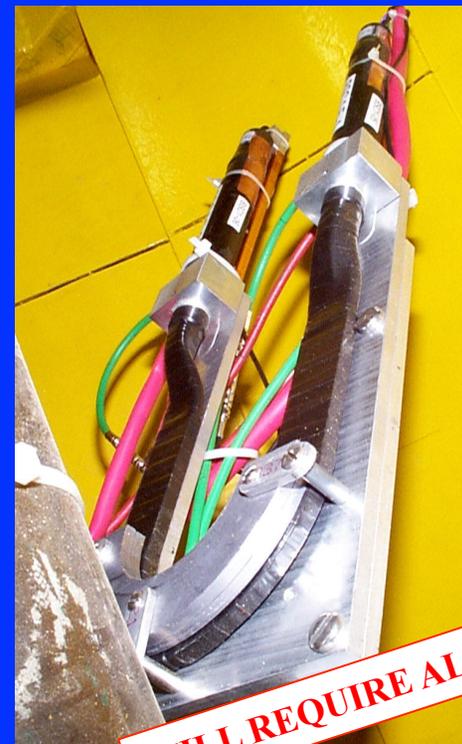
Very Forward Detectors in CDF III: BSC



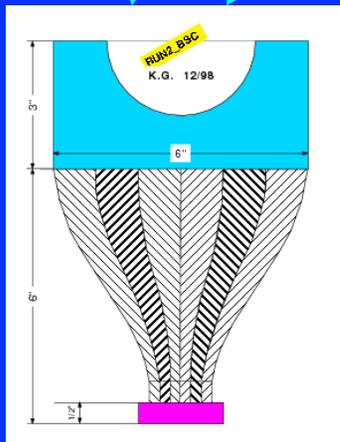
Beam Shower Counters (BSC)
 $5.5 < |\eta| < 7.4$ (Scintillators + PMT)

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BSC-1 (4 PMTs)



WILL REQUIRE ALL PMTS < NOISE CUT



2 PMTs / station



Central Exclusive Production, examples:

$$p + p \rightarrow p + X + p$$

where + = true rapidity gap, no hadrons
and X = “simple” system fully measured.

→ γ or IP
exchange

States observed in CDF for first time in hadron-hadron collisions:

Quantum
Number
restrictions

$\gamma + \gamma$

$e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-$

$\gamma + IP$

$J/\psi, \psi(2S)$

$IP + IP$

$f_0(600)/\sigma, f_0(980), \dots, \chi_c, JJ, +\gamma\gamma$

Observed at CERN ISR

NEW



Central Exclusive Production Diagrams



Also in e^+e^- and e^+p

Also in e^+p

Only in hadron-hadron

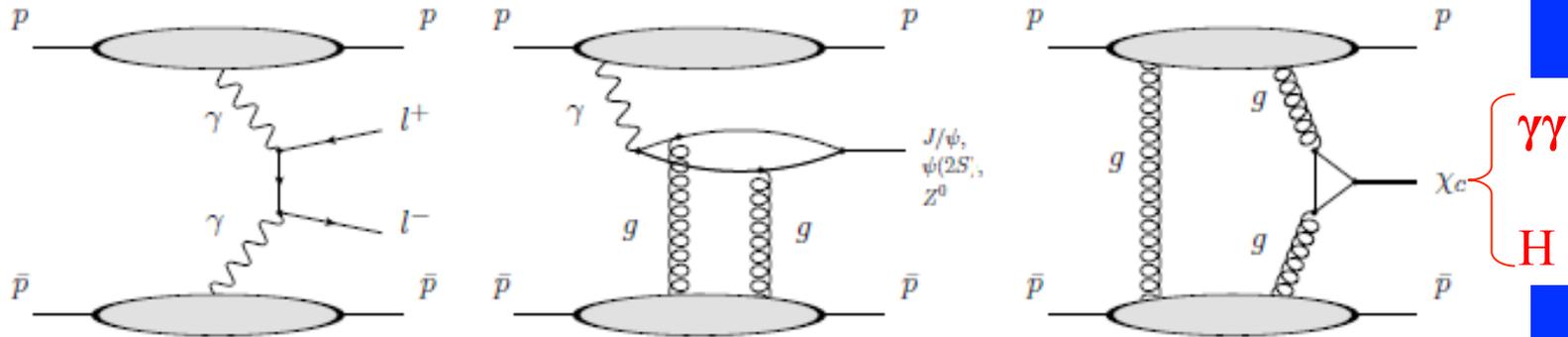


Figure 10: Feynman diagrams for processes contributing to the exclusive di-lepton signal. (a) $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow l^+l^-$, (b) $\gamma P \rightarrow J/\psi, \psi(2S), Z^0$, and (c) $P\bar{P} \rightarrow \chi_{c0}$.

LPAIR MC:

J.A.M. Vermaseren,
Nucl.Phys.B229 (1983) 347

Photoproduction

SuperCHIC MC:

L.Harland-Lang et al,
arXiv:1005.0695 [hep-ph]

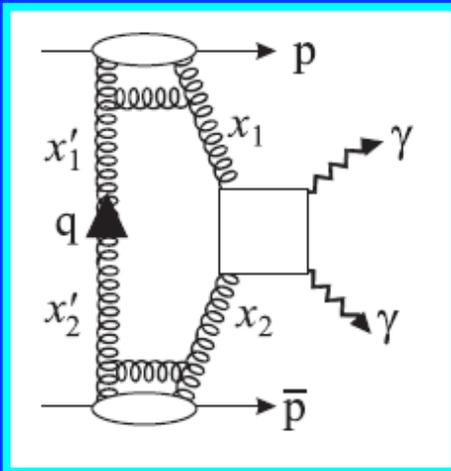
- >>> Not essential to detect protons; can require all forward detectors to be at noise levels, for $|\eta| < \sim 7.4$
- >>> Quasi-elastic protons inferred.
- >>> No pile-up interactions allowed.



Theoretical prediction for exclusive $\gamma\gamma$



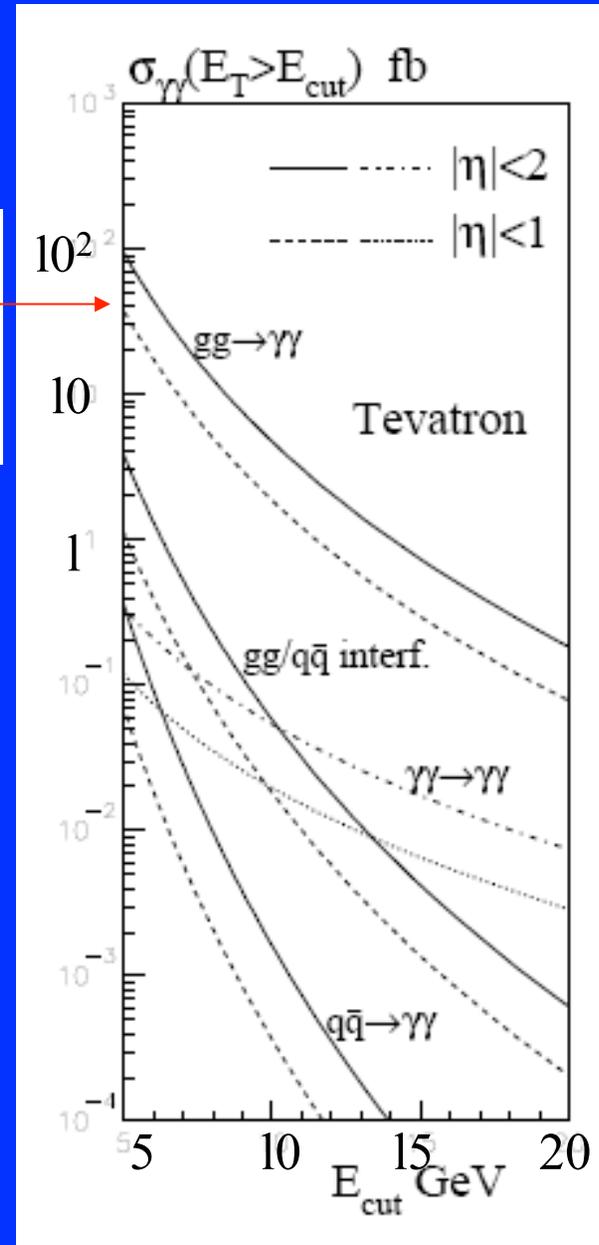
Khoze, Martin, Ryskin & Stirling
Eur.Phys. J.C38 (2005) p.475



$E_T(\gamma)_{\min} = 5 \text{ GeV}$
 $|\eta(\gamma)| < 1$
 $\sim 38^{+3}_{-3} \text{ fb @ } 1.96 \text{ TeV}$
Factor 3 claimed

Ingredients:

$\sigma(g + g \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma)$
Unintegrated $g(x, x')$ $\sigma \sim g^4$
Loop integral
No gluon/hadron radiation
No other parton-parton interaction
(Gap survival factor)



Later extend down to 2 GeV: L.Harland-Lang et al.



Trigger and Data Taking



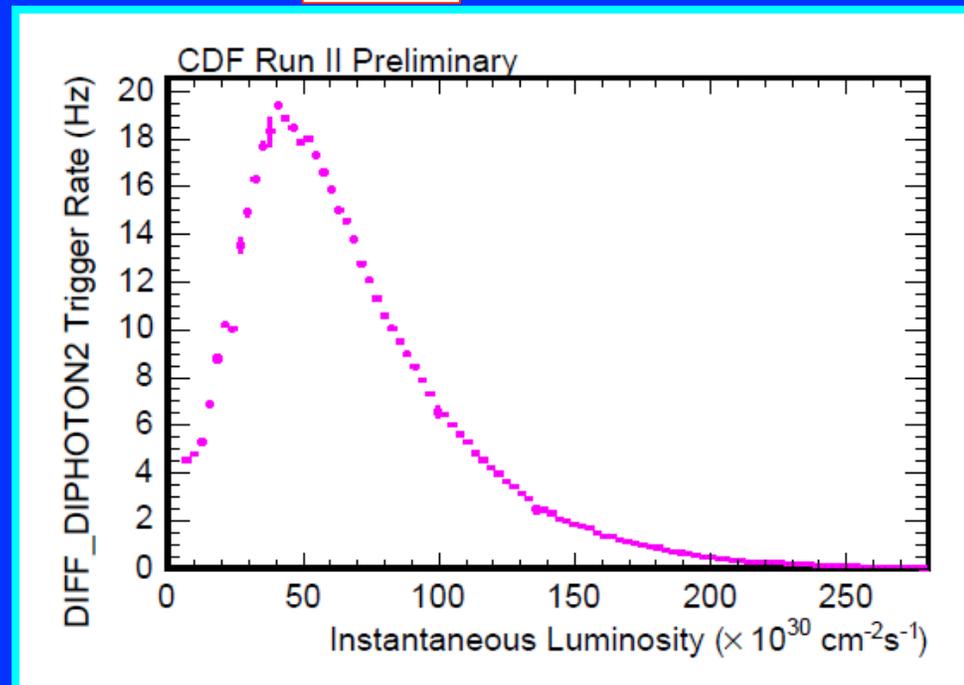
Level 1 trigger : [1 EM Tower C&P > 2 GeV] * [BSC-1 (E & W) veto]

No prescale needed: Veto kills pile-up and most single interactions

Level 2+3 : 2 EM Towers > 2, Clean up, e.g. Ratio (HAD/EM) < 0.125

One year 2006-2007, Integrated luminosity 1.11 +/- 0.7 /fb

Trigger rate peaks when $\bar{n}e^{-\bar{n}}$ is maximum, $L = 40 \times 10^{30} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$



“Exclusive efficiency” = Prob. event not killed by P-U, calculated bunch x bunch.



Selection of Exclusive Events



Require no other particles detected in entire CDF, including forward to $|\eta| = 7.4$
p & pbar are not detectable: stay in beam pipe.

Study noise levels: ZERO-BIAS (bunch crossing) trigger (crucial).

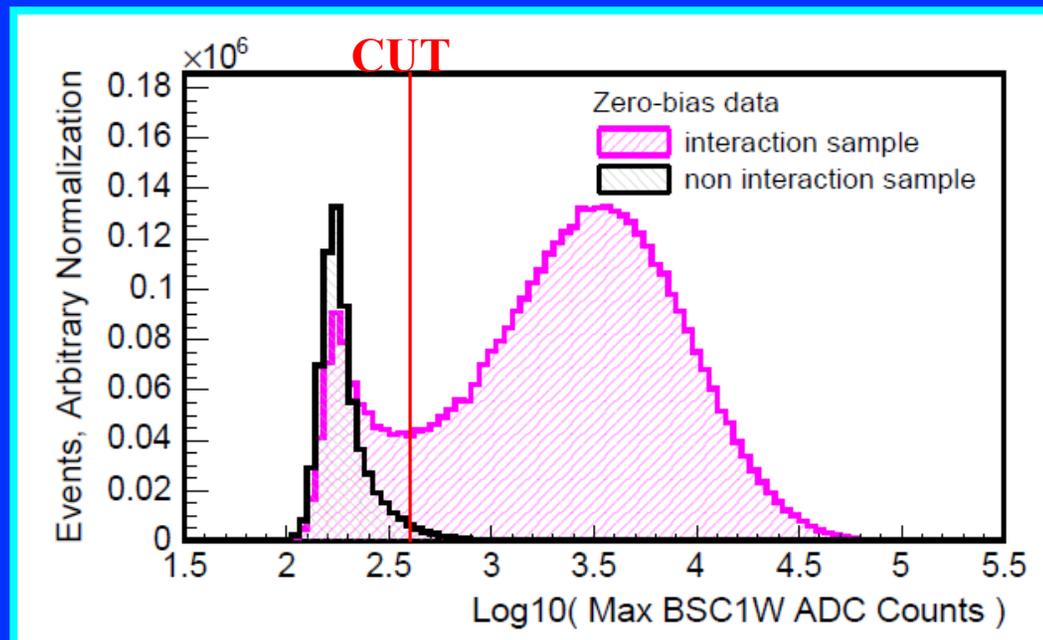
Make 2 classes: No COT tracks, no CLC hits, no muon stubs : **NON-INTERACTION**

All other events : **INTERACTION** (or several interactions)

For each sub-detector, plot “hottest” PMT signal or E_T signal (Log_{10} scale handy)

Choose cut separating noise from signals.

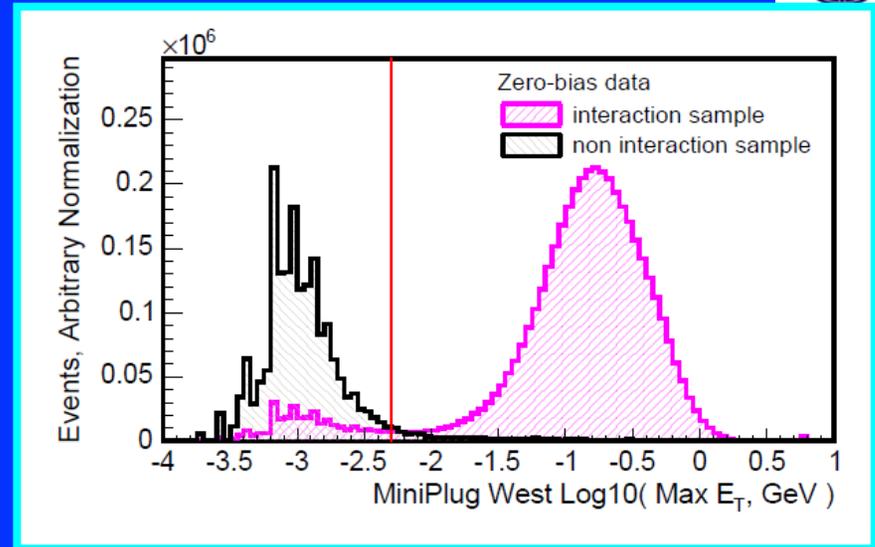
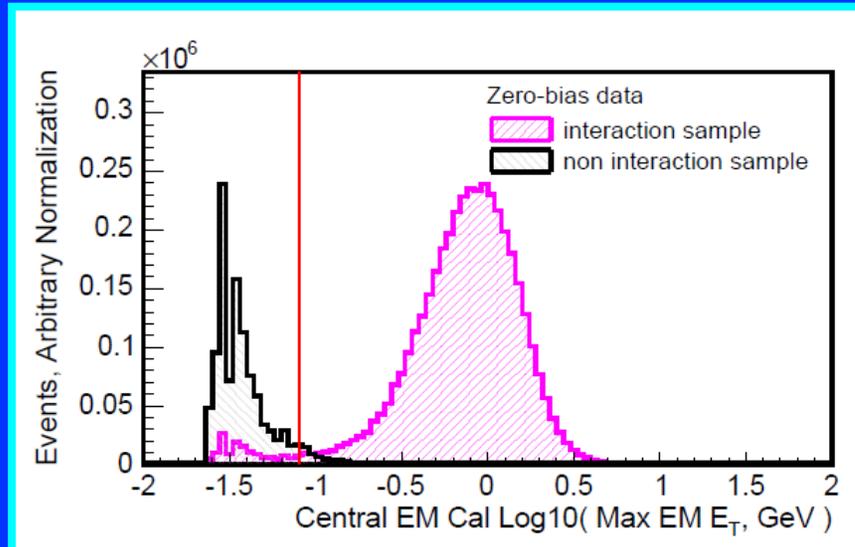
EXAMPLE:



INTERACTION events below cut : interactions having no particles in BSC-1



Two more examples of noise studies and exclusive cuts:



Exclusive Filter Cuts

Detector Part	max. Signal	$ \eta $ coverage
Central EM Calorimeter (E_T):	80 MeV	0 - 0.66
Central HAD Calorimeter (E_T):	200 MeV	0 - 0.66
End Wall EM Calorimeter (E_T):	80 MeV	0.66 - 1.32
End Wall HAD Calorimeter (E_T):	200 MeV	0.66 - 1.32
Mid Plug Calorimeter (E_T):	80 MeV	1.32 - 2.11
Forward Plug Calorimeter (E_T):	30 MeV	2.11 - 3.64
Mini Plug Calorimeter (E_T):	5 MeV	3.6 - 5.2
BSC-1 (ADC):	400 counts	5.4 - 5.9
BSC-2 (ADC):	300 counts	6.4 - 7.1
BSC-3 (ADC):	400 counts	6.7 - 7.4
CLC (Sum of West and East) (ADC):	6300	3.7 - 4.7

Apart from 2 EM towers, events pass all exclusive cuts



Exclusive Efficiency, and Empty Detector



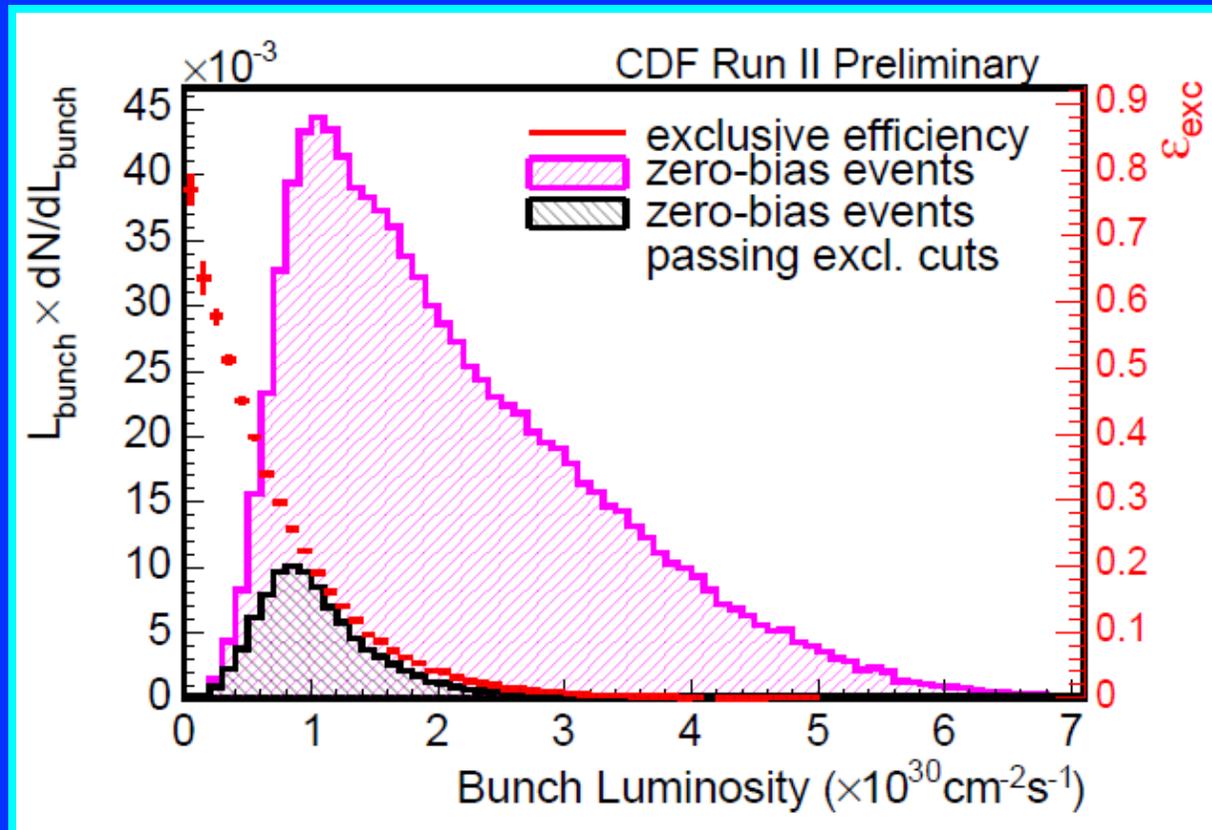
Exclusive efficiency ϵ_{excl} :

Prob. good event not spoiled by another inelastic interaction (Pile-Up)

Apply all noise cuts to **ZERO-BIAS** events (no EM towers).

Measure $P(0) = \text{Prob}(\text{empty})$ vs Bunch luminosity ($B \times B$)

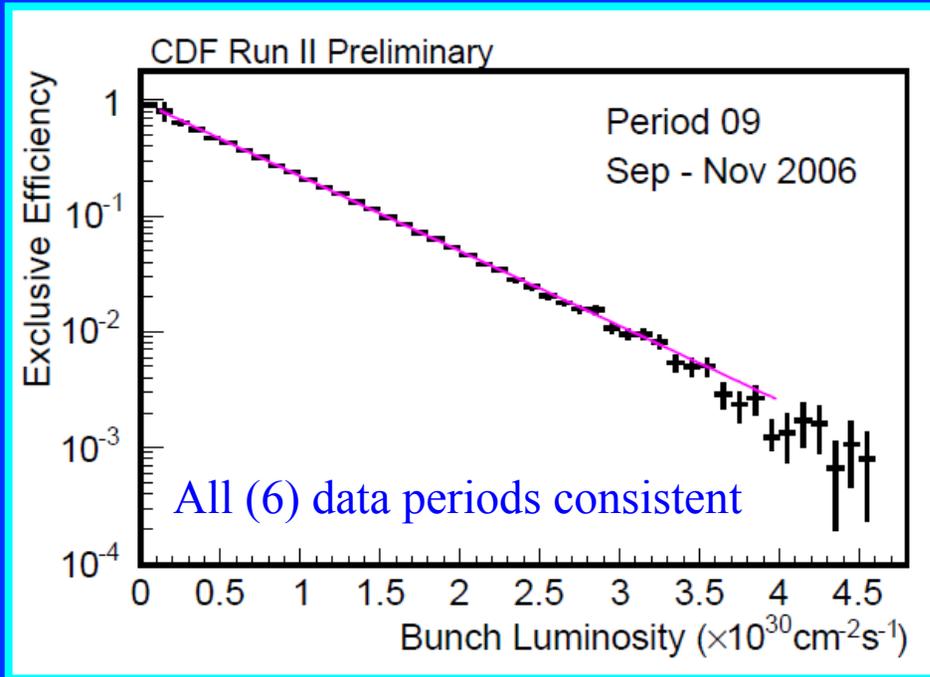
[Not all the 36 bunch crossings have same Luminosity]



Red points:
Right scale
Ratio black: pink
(exponential)



Probability all CDF empty vs bunch luminosity = exclusive efficiency



$$P(0) = \bar{n}.e^{-\bar{n}}$$

$$\bar{n} = \left(\frac{L_{bunch}}{46,500} \right) \times \sigma_{inel}$$

46,500 = orbits / sec

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{inel}$$

Intercept should be 1.0

→ at L = 0 all should pass

unless noise kills event

Total L = 1114 pb⁻¹ Intercept = 0.98±0.02,

Slope = 67±4 mb

$\epsilon_{excl} = 0.068 \pm 0.004$; $L_{eff} = 75.8 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

“Cross section” agreement:

Not missing inelastic interactions

CDF : $\sigma_{TOT} = 80.0 \pm 2.2 \text{ mb}$ at $\sqrt{s} = 1800 \text{ GeV}$

$\sigma_{ELASTIC} = 19.7 \pm 0.9 \text{ mb}$

$\Rightarrow \sigma_{INEL} = 60.3 \pm 2.4 \text{ mb}$ at $\sqrt{s} = 1800 \text{ GeV}$

We are at $\sqrt{s} = 1960 \text{ GeV}$

➔ Confidence that exclusive efficiency method and normalization are good



Numbers of events, after sequential cuts:



Number of events after exclusive cuts

Trigger:	200,143,239
Presel: ($2\text{EMO} > 2\text{ GeV}$, $ \eta < 1.8$):	93,976,483
Empty BSC counters (all):	39,099,062
Empty Miniplug and CLC:	136,914
Empty Forward Plug Calorimeter:	13,974
Empty Mid Plug:	5,254
Empty Low Plug:	1,359
Empty Central Calorimeter:	421
2 EMO Central $ \eta < 1.0$:	180
2 EMO Central $ \eta < 1.0$ and $E_T > 2.5\text{ GeV}$	82

Up to now NO TRACK REQUIREMENTS:

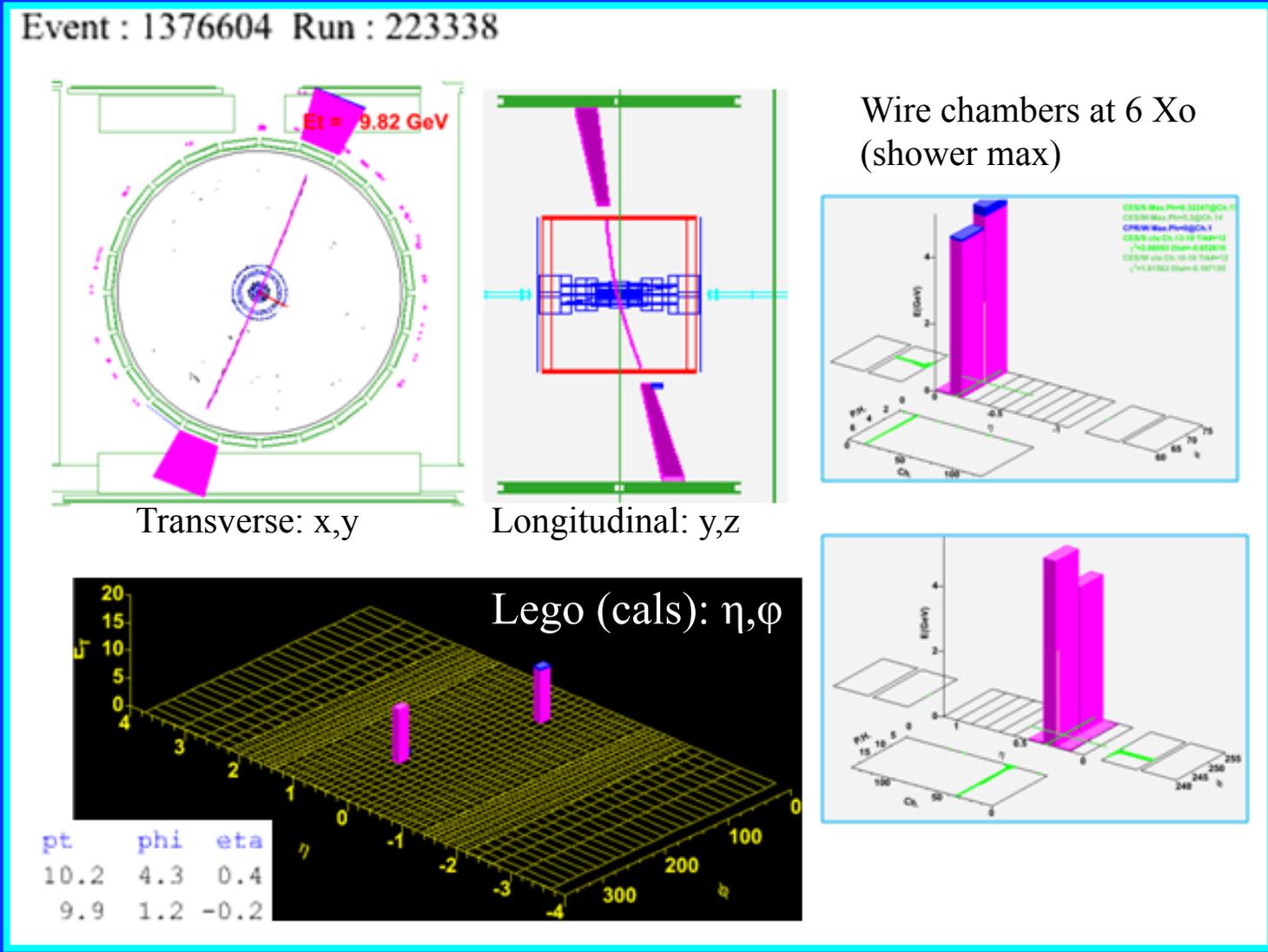
Blind to COT Drift Chamber (& Silicon, Muons). Now look at COT tracker:

2 Opposite charge tracks (e^+e^-): 34

No tracks at all ($\gamma\gamma$, or $\pi^0\pi^0?$): 43



Event display: the highest mass e^+e^- event: $M(e^+e^-) = 20 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



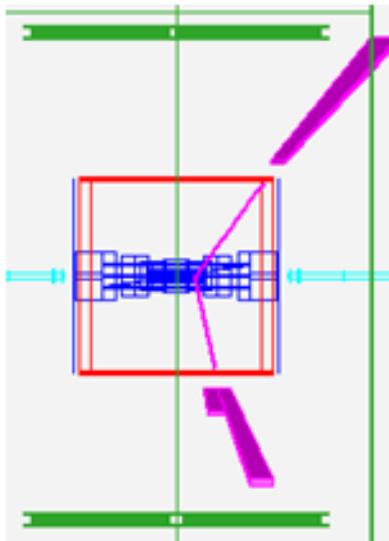
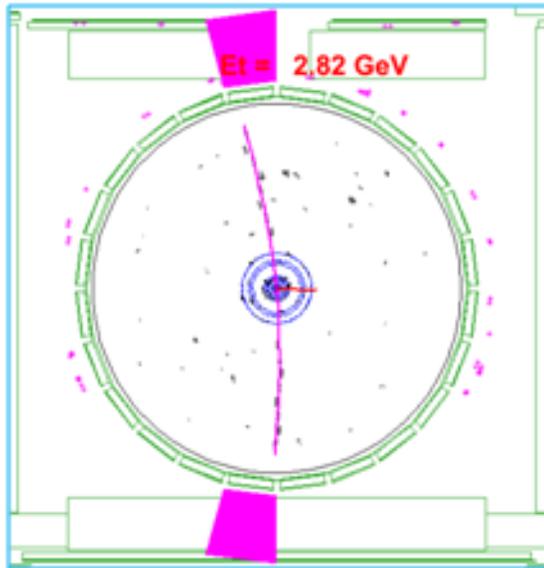
Tracking efficiency very high: hard to miss an isolated high p_T central track



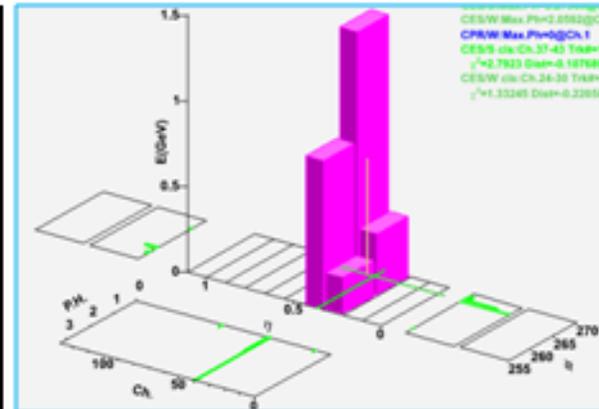
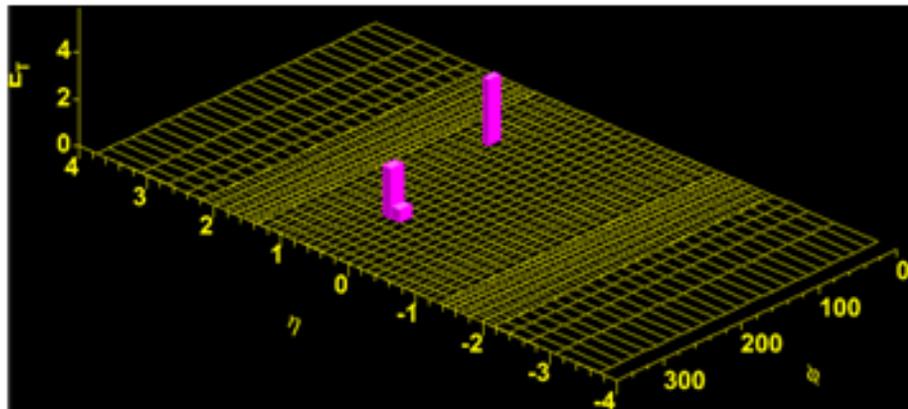
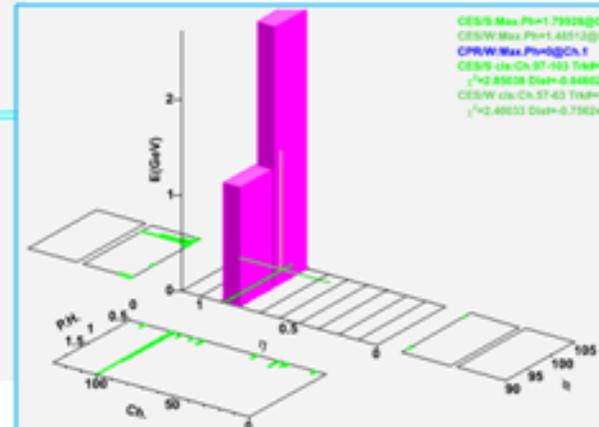
Event display: a typical e^+e^- event: $M(e^+e^-) \sim 6$ GeV



Event : 6633770 Run : 243730



pt	phi	eta
3.1	1.7	0.7
2.9	4.8	0.2





Checks and Efficiencies: Summary



Rate of final events (per effective luminosity) independent of run period.

Trigger efficiency ($\sim 92\%$)

Efficiency of **HAD/EM** cut vs $E(e)$ ($\sim 93\%$)

Efficiency of **track finding/fitting** independent of η , p_T ($\sim 96\%$) : Using J/ψ data +MC

Efficiency of event not being lost by **radiation** (CDFSIM, $\sim 40\%$)

Reconstruction efficiency: Full Monte Carlo simulation including reconstruction of electrons or photons.

Values are low and more dependent on E_T and η ($1-2$) because of bremsstrahlung, conversions, δ -rays.

Decided to select $|\eta| < 1.0$ to minimize such dependence.

Scanning events confirmed more ambiguities there: “ $e \rightarrow \gamma$ ” and “ $\gamma \rightarrow e$ ”

Reconstruction efficiency:

Electron pairs (LPAIR)

E_T cut (GeV)	2.5	5.0
$\epsilon_{rec}^{e^+e^-}$	0.508	0.802
Stat Err	± 0.007	± 0.017
Syst Err	± 0.016	± 0.037

Photon pairs (SuperCHIC)

E_T cut (GeV)	2.5
$\epsilon_{rec}^{\gamma\gamma}$	0.553
Stat Err	± 0.005
Syst Err	± 0.029



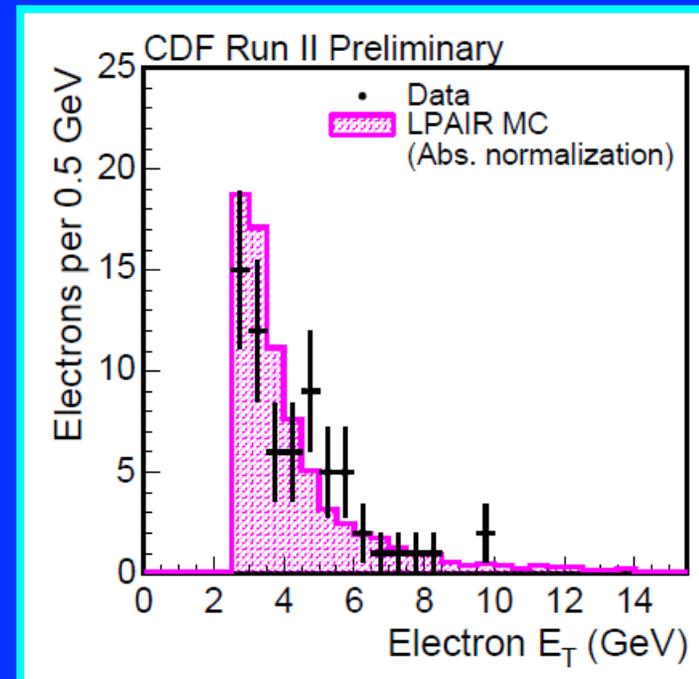
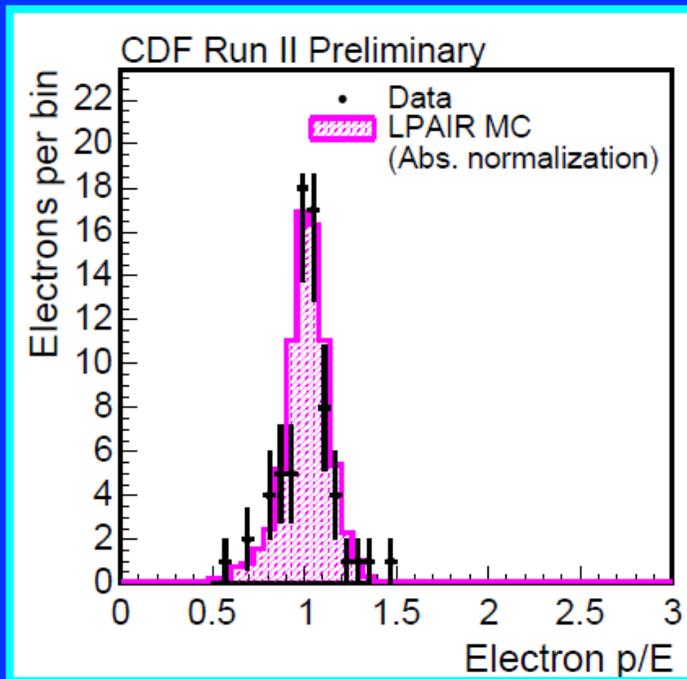
Properties of single tracks of LPAIR e^+e^- simulation + CDFSIM



$E_T(e) > 2.5$ GeV
 $\eta(e) < 1.0$
34 events,
 $\gg 68$ e's

$$\gamma + \gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$$

**Absolute
normalization
(to LPAIR/QED σ)**



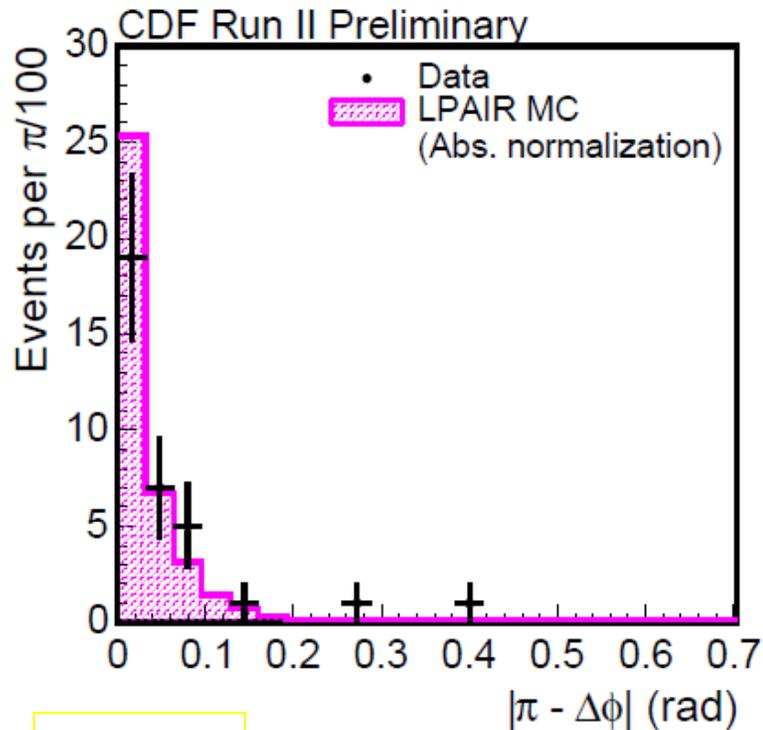
Distributions in $\eta(e)$ and $\phi(e)$... flat ... also agree well with LPAIR + CDFSIM



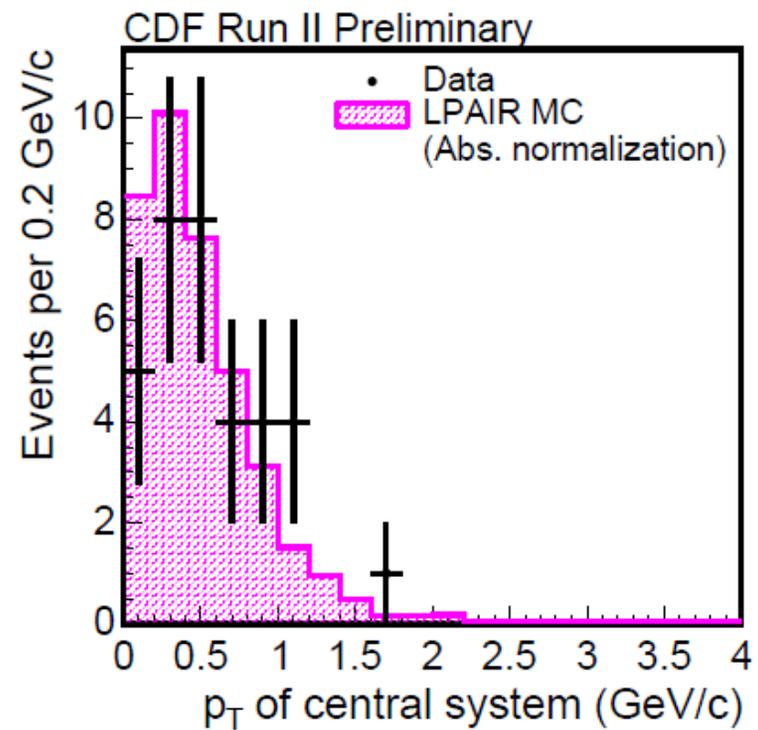
Electron pair properties (34 events)



$$\gamma + \gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$$



1.8° bins



Photons ... Coulomb.. $\langle p_T \rangle$ very small.

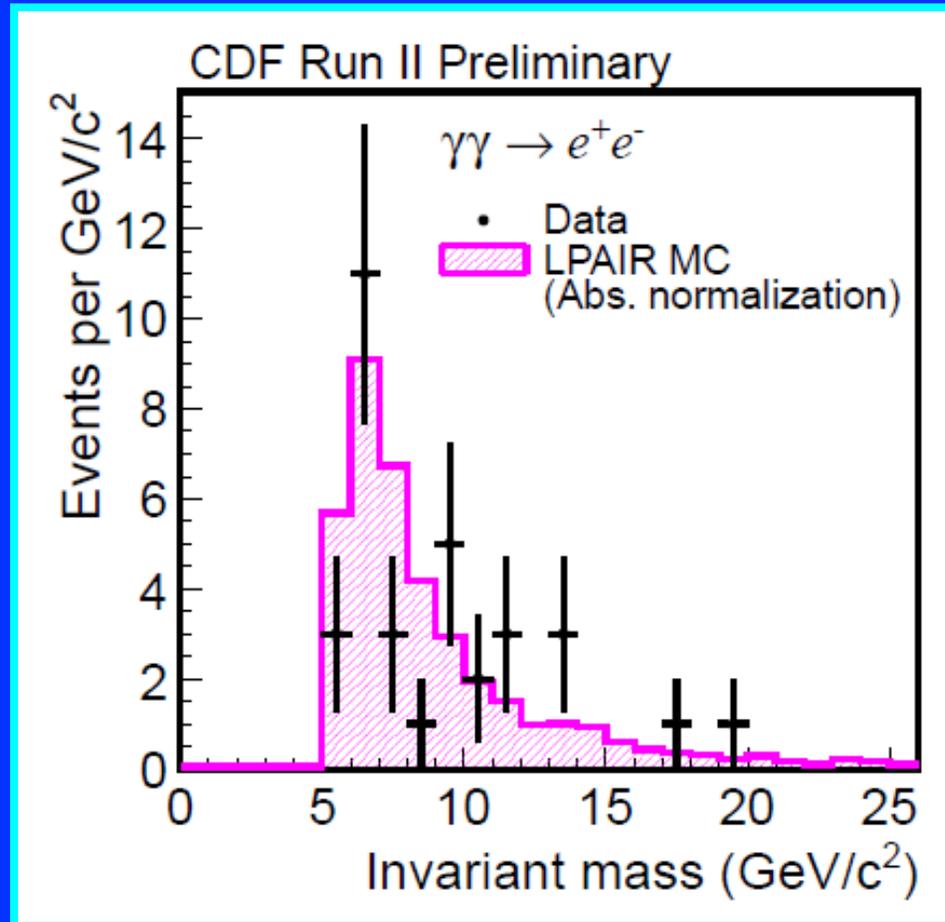
Detector resolution (and Final State Radiation) dominates spread.



Mass spectrum (e+e-)



$$\gamma + \gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$$





Final Results on $p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + e^+ e^- + \bar{p}$ via $\gamma + \gamma$ (QED)



Table: Statistics summary of all relevant parameters for the measurement of the exclusive $e^+ e^-$ for an E_T cut of 2.5 GeV and $|\eta| < 1.0$.

	Value	Stat. error	Syst. error
\mathcal{L}_{int}	1.11 fb ⁻¹		$\pm 0.7 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
$e^+ e^-$ (events)	34		
Trigger efficiency	0.920	± 0.009	± 0.018
Reconstruction efficiency	0.508	± 0.007	± 0.016
Identification efficiency	0.912	± 0.017	± 0.013
Tracking efficiency	0.963		0.003
Radiative acceptance	0.419	± 0.001	± 0.077
Exclusive efficiency	0.0680	negligible	0.004
Dissoc. B/G (events)	3.8	0.4	0.9

$$\sigma_{e^+ e^- \text{ excl.}}^{|\eta| < 1, E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}} = 2.88 \pm 0.59(\text{stat}) \pm 0.62(\text{sys}) \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{L\text{Pair}}^{|\eta| < 1, E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}} = 3.25 \pm 0.07 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{e^+ e^- \text{ excl.}}^{|\eta| < 1, E_T > 5.0 \text{ GeV}} = 0.60 \pm 0.28(\text{stat}) \pm 0.14(\text{sys}) \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{L\text{Pair}}^{|\eta| < 1, E_T > 5.0 \text{ GeV}} = 0.58 \pm 0.003 \text{ pb}$$

AGREE

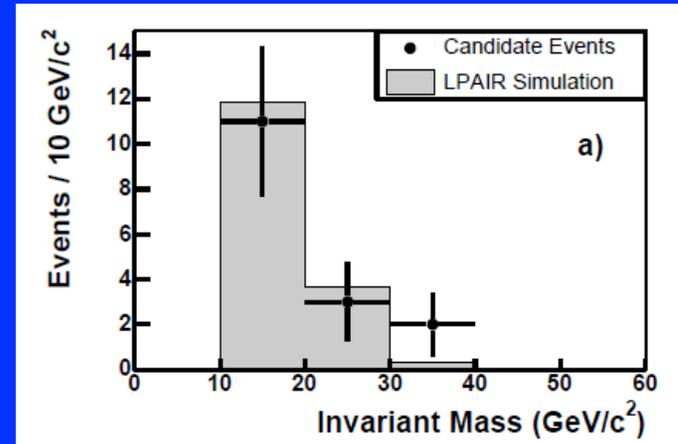
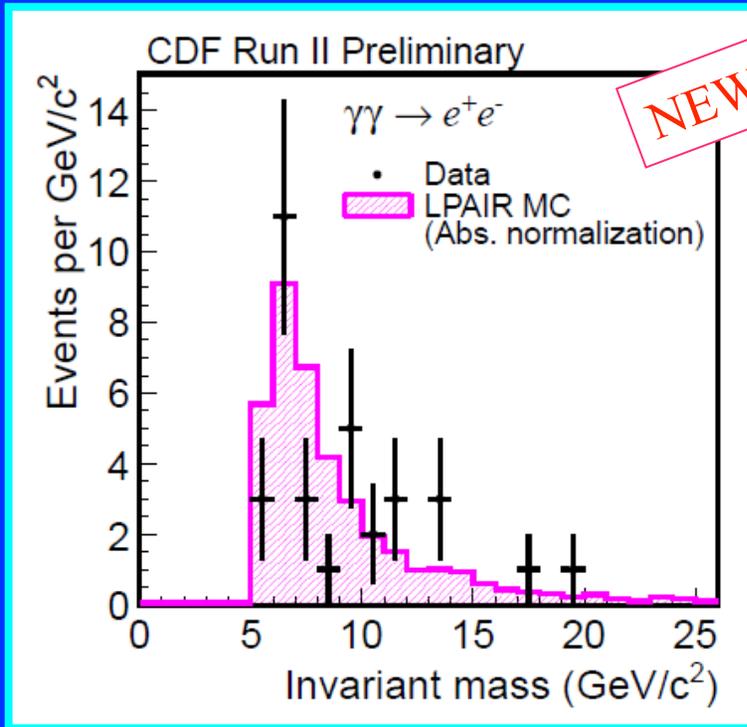
AGREE



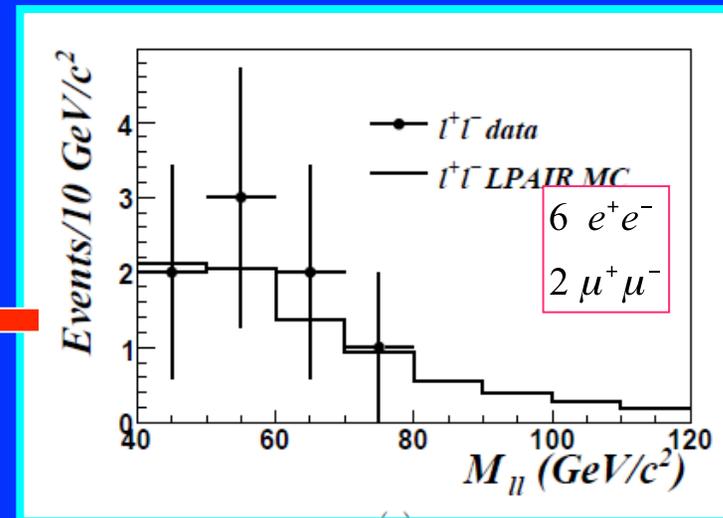
Confidence that exclusive efficiency method and normalization are good



Mass spectra (e+e-): Other CDF results of QED (LPAIR)



CDF Phys.Rev.Lett. 98 (2007) 112001 (1st observation.)



CDF: Phys.Rev.Lett. 102 (2009) 222002 (Search for exclusive Z photoproduction)

All pairs have $180^\circ - \Delta\phi < 1^\circ$ ←

**AGREEMENT
With LPAIR**



43 Events with no tracks in COT ($\gamma\gamma$ candidates: $\pi^0\pi^0$?)



How do we know if they are $\gamma\gamma$ or $\pi^0\pi^0$?

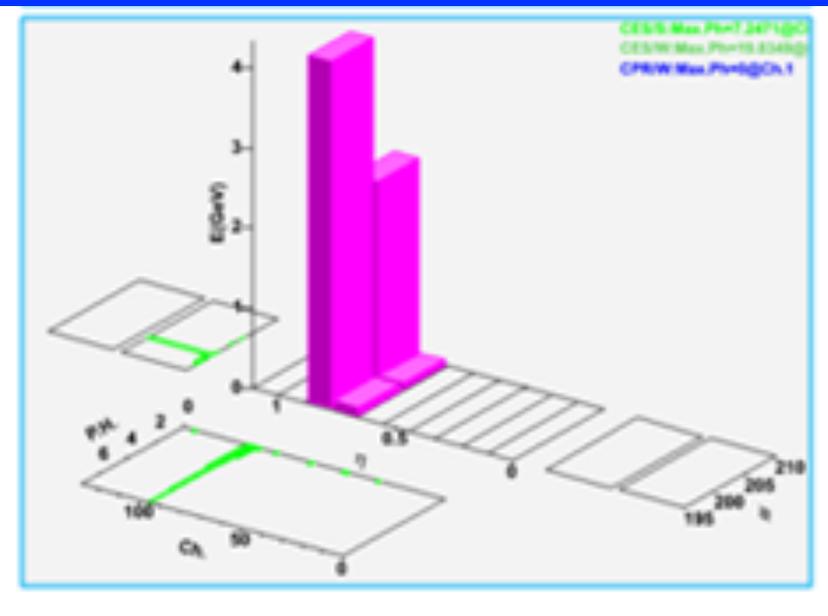
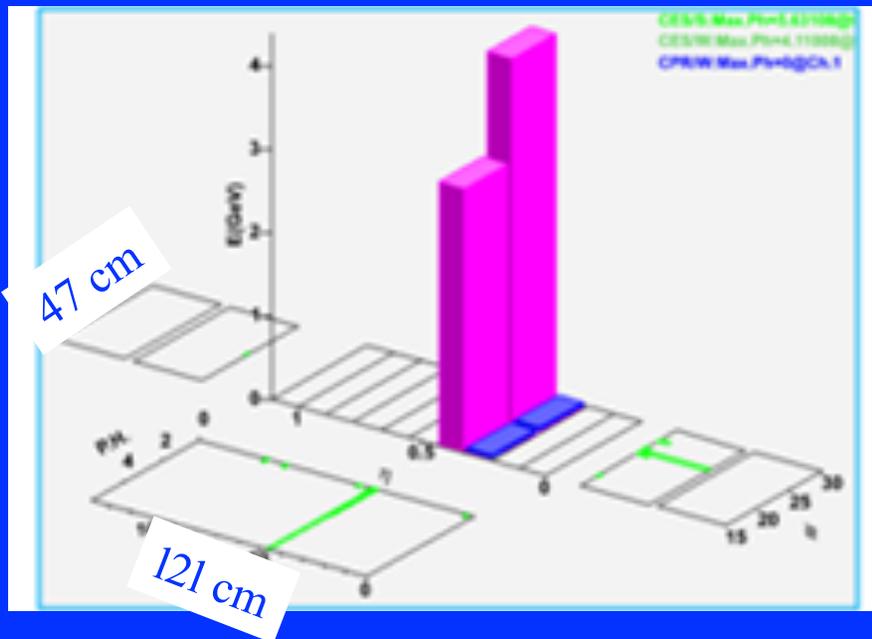
Note that exclusive $\mathbf{p} + \gamma \pi^0 + \mathbf{p}$ is forbidden (e.g. parity P)

Count showers in CES strip chambers. Wires 1.45 cm, strips ~ 1.8 cm

Two photons cannot merge:

$$\theta(\gamma\gamma)_{\min} = 2 \times \left(\frac{m_{\pi}}{p_{\pi}} \right) = 3.2^{\circ} \text{ for } p_{\pi} = 5 \text{ GeV}/c$$

= 11.2 cm at 2 m.

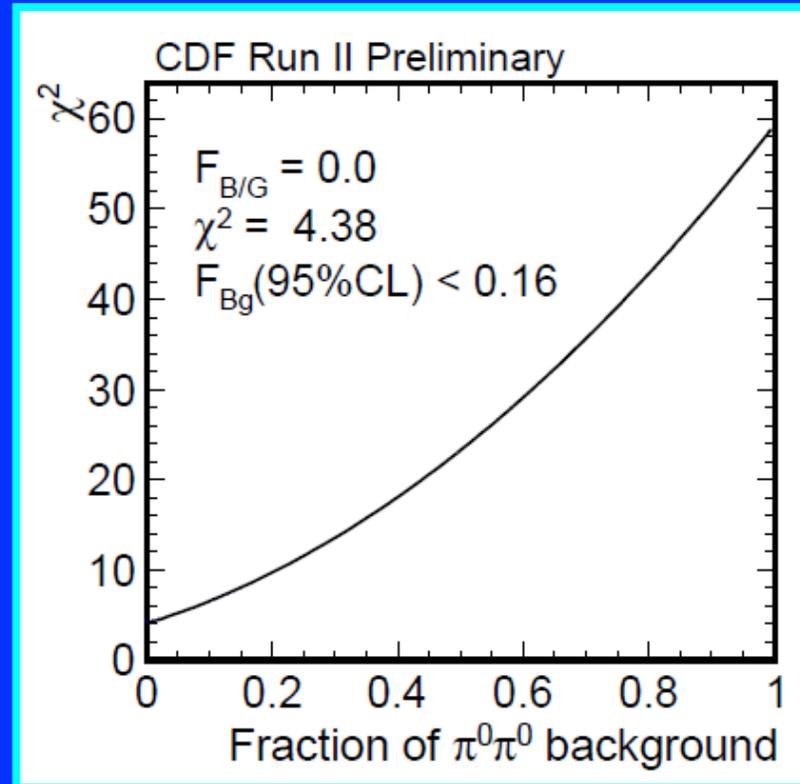
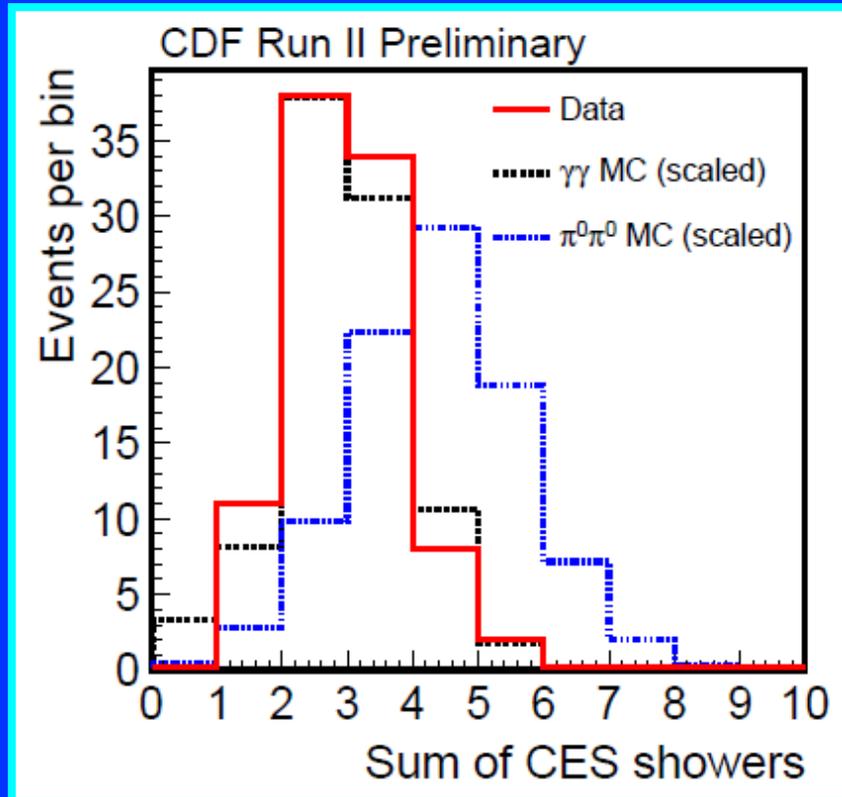




Are any events not $\gamma\gamma$ but $\pi^0\pi^0$?



Add # showers on both sides (there is no correlation)



Result: Best fit is with ZERO background from $\pi^0\pi^0 \rightarrow 4\gamma$

Pearson's χ^2 test: fraction of $\gamma\gamma$ events in sample $< 16\%$ (95% C.L.)



Theoretical Prediction of $p + \pi^0\pi^0 + p$ (After our conclusion)

L.Harland-Lang, V.Khoze, M.Ryskin and W.J.Stirling, arXiv:1105.1626

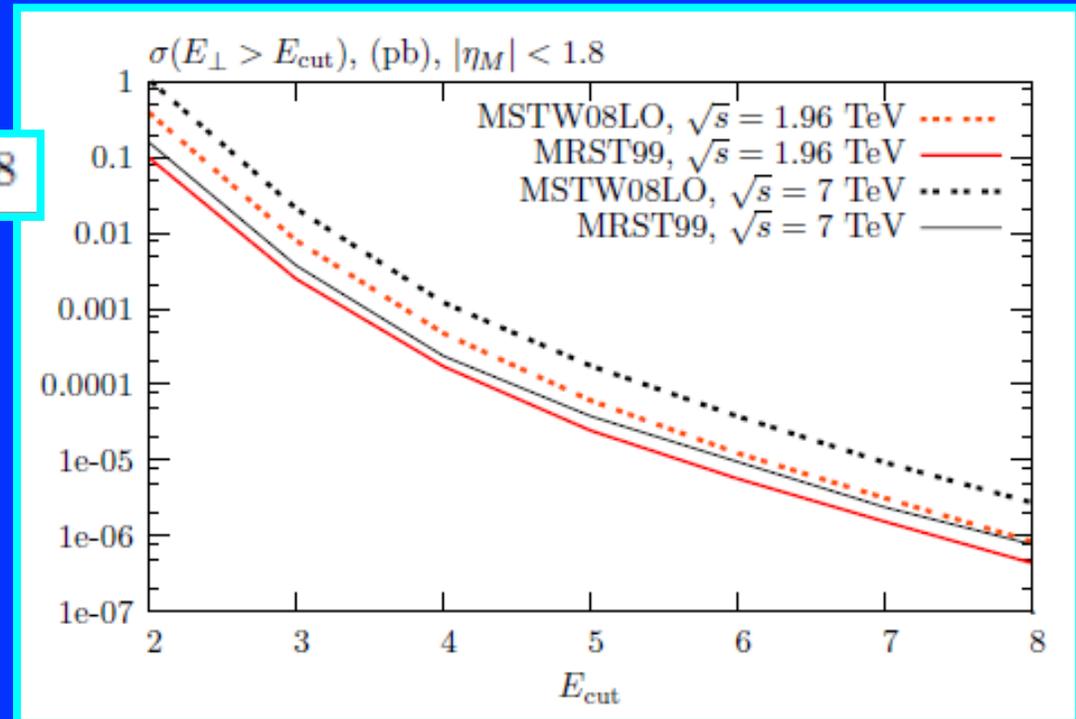


$$\sigma(p + \pi^0\pi^0 + p)$$

$$\sigma(E_{\perp} > E_{cut}), (\text{pb}), |\eta_M| < 1.8$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 1960 \text{ GeV}$$

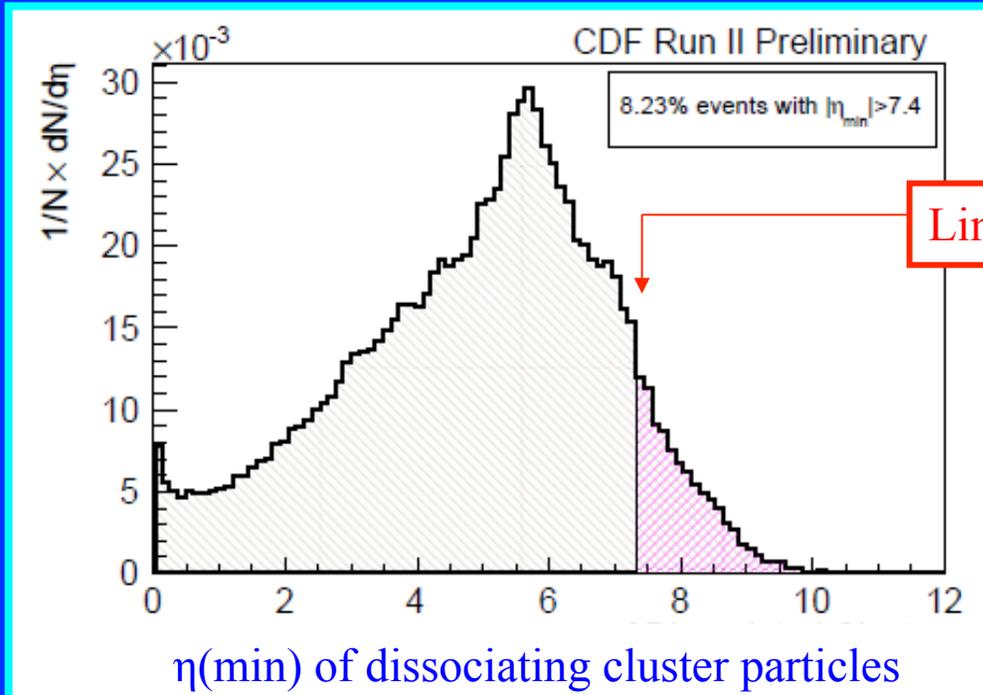
$|\eta| < 1.0, E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}$
 $6 - 24 \text{ fb} \dots$ negligible.
 $\eta^0\eta^0$ also negligible.





Undetected p-dissociation e.g. $p \rightarrow p \pi^+ \pi^-$

Still $\gamma+\gamma$ or IP + IP but not truly exclusive. Consider as B/G



MinBias Rockefeller (MBR) Monte Carlo

Limit of BSC counters

~ 10 % for e^+e^-
< 1 % for $\gamma\gamma$

e^+e^- Dissociation Background (events)		
E_T cut [GeV]	Fraction	Background
2.5	$0.12 \pm 0.01(\text{stat}) \pm 0.03(\text{sys})$	$3.8 \pm 0.4(\text{stat}) \pm 0.9(\text{sys})$
5.0	$0.13 \pm 0.02(\text{stat}) \pm 0.03(\text{sys})$	$1.3 \pm 0.2(\text{stat}) \pm 0.3(\text{sys})$

$\gamma\gamma$

- Same approach as in published excl. $\gamma\gamma$ paper.
- Durham estimation using our selection rules with large rapidity gaps.
- Dissociation background estimate for $E_{T,\min} = 2.5$ GeV:
 $0.14 \pm 0.14(\text{syst})$ events

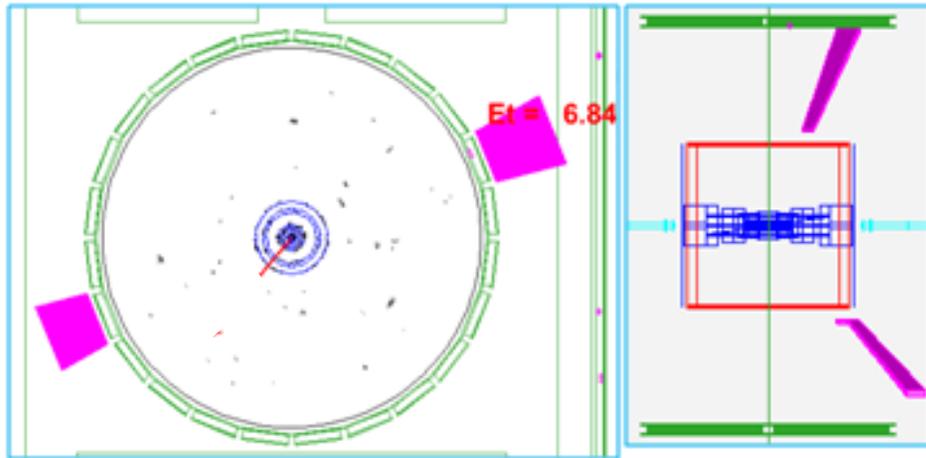


Example of $\gamma\gamma$ event

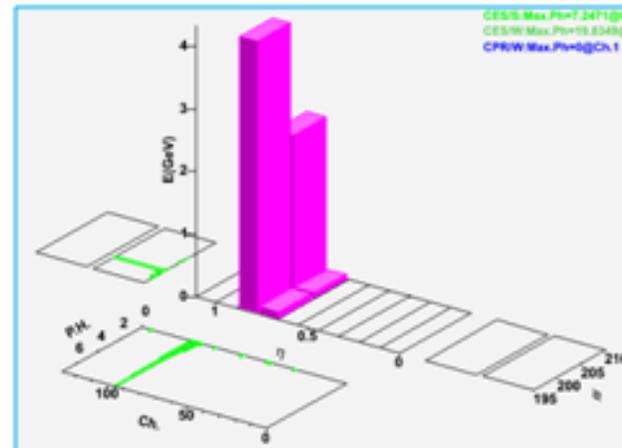
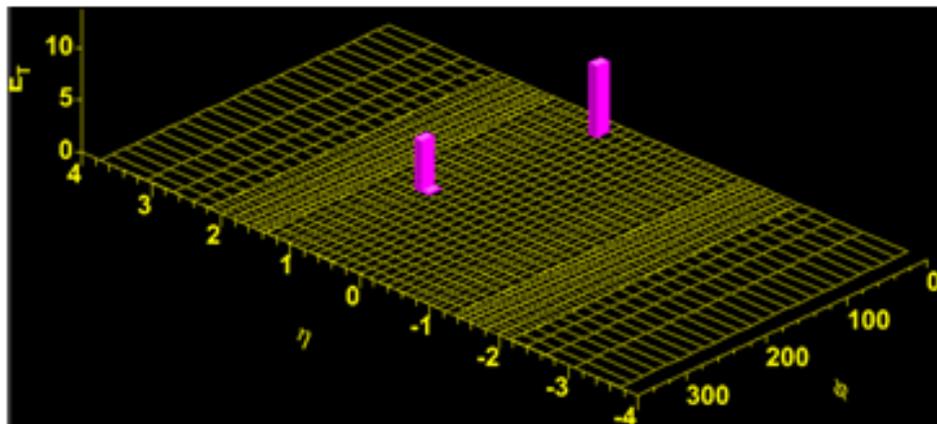
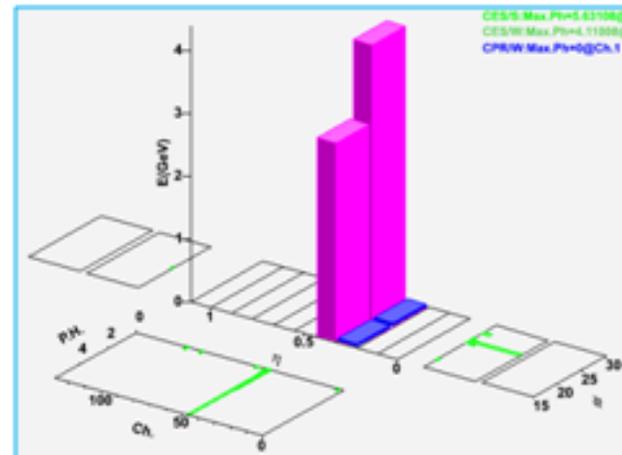


Event : 14704042 Run : 243808

pt	phi	eta
6.8	0.5	0.4
5.0	3.4	0.9

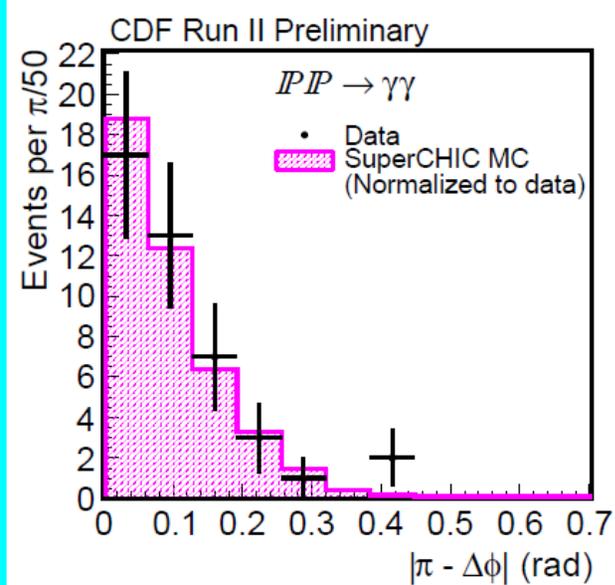
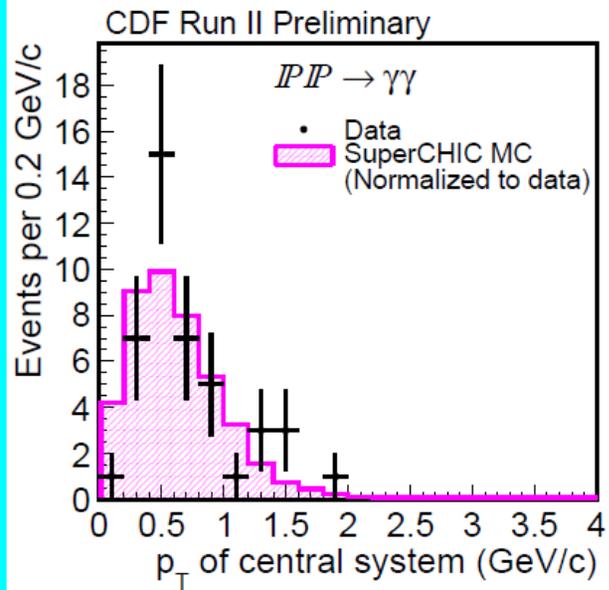


Et = 6.84



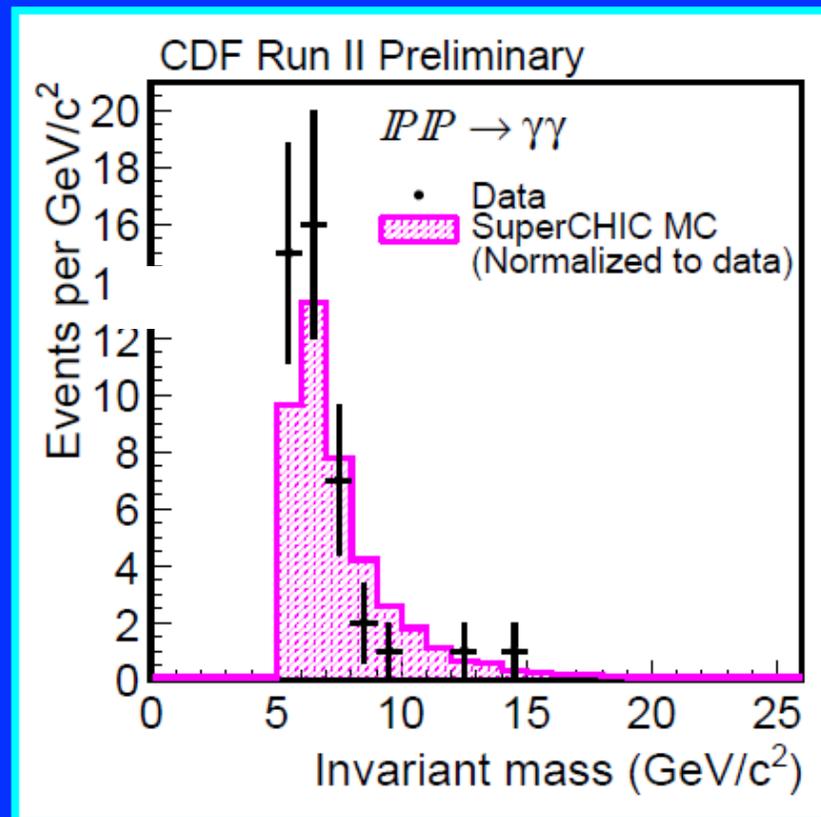


Kinematic distributions of photon pairs



Normalization to equal area
(shape comparison)

Note differences: $\gamma+\gamma$ vs IP+IP





Final results on

$p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + \gamma\gamma + \bar{p}$ via IP + IP (QCD)



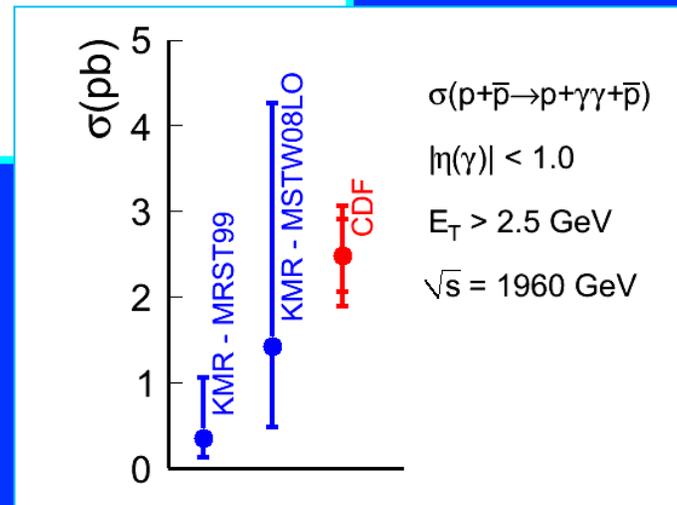
Table: Statistics summary of all relevant parameters for the measurement of the exclusive photon pair cross section for an E_T cut of 2.5 GeV and $|\eta| < 1.0$.

	Value	Stat. error	Syst. error
\mathcal{L}_{int}	1.11 fb ⁻¹		$\pm 0.7 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
$\gamma\gamma$ (events)	43		
Trigger efficiency	0.918	± 0.005	± 0.018
Reconstruction efficiency	0.553	± 0.005	± 0.029
Identification efficiency	0.927	± 0.017	± 0.013
Exclusive efficiency	0.0680	negligible	0.004
Conversion acceptance	0.568	± 0.001	± 0.063
π^0 background	0.0		<16% (95% C.L.)
Dissoc. B/G (events)	0.14		0.14

$$\sigma_{|\eta| < 1, E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}}^{\gamma\gamma \text{ excl.}} = 2.48 \pm 0.42(\text{stat}) \pm 0.41(\text{sys}) \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{SuperCHIC (MSTW08LO)}}^{|\eta| < 1, E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}} = 1.42_{\div 3}^{\times 3} \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{SuperCHIC (MRST99)}}^{|\eta| < 1, E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}} = 0.35_{\div 3}^{\times 3} \text{ pb}$$





Executive Summary (Repeat)



We have observed (43 events, $\gg 5 \sigma$) the new clean process:

$$p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + \gamma\gamma + \bar{p}$$

We needed:

A good level 1 trigger (EM showers + Forward gap-seeds with BSC-1)

Extended rapidity coverage of CDF to $\eta = \pm 7.4$

Understood noise levels in all calorimeters and counters.

Demonstrated understanding of “empty events” (non-interaction in 0-bias)

Used $p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + e^+e^- + \bar{p}$ via $\gamma\gamma$ (QED) as a control (σ known)

$$p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + e^+e^- + \bar{p} \text{ via } \gamma\gamma \text{ (QED)}$$

Showed that EM showers are from γ and not π^0 as theoretically expected



Conclusions



In CDF we have observed exclusive 2-photon production, i.e. $p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + \gamma\gamma + \bar{p}$ with $E_T(\gamma) > 2.5$ GeV and with no hadrons.

43 events with background consistent with zero, and < 8 events (95% CL)

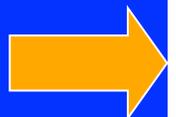
The cross section is ~ 2.5 pb, consistent with a theoretical prediction.

This confirms the picture of a hard pomeron as $\{gg\}$.

This is the **first OBSERVATION** of exclusive 2-photon production in hadron-hadron collisions.

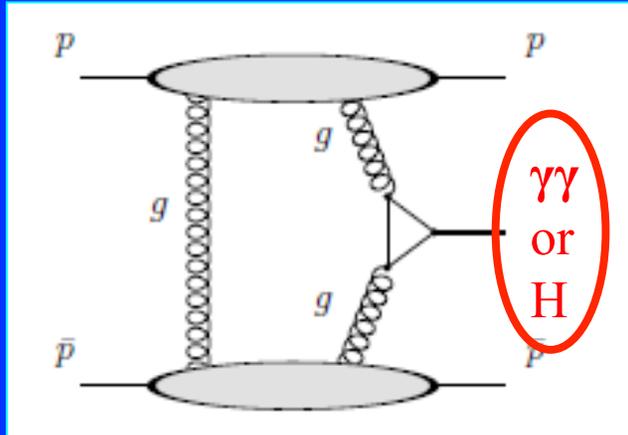
Exclusive Photon-Pair Production	
Theoretical	$\sigma_{\text{SuperCHIC}}^{ \eta < 1, E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}} = 0.35 \times 3 \text{ pb (MRST99)}$
	$\sigma_{\text{SuperCHIC}}^{ \eta < 1, E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}} = 1.42 \times 3 \text{ pb (MSTW08LO)}$
Measured	$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma \text{ excl.}}^{ \eta < 1, E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}} = 2.48 \pm 0.42(\text{stat}) \pm 0.41(\text{sys}) \text{ pb}$

Note: This corresponds to 1 in 25 billion inelastic collisions!





Exclusive Higgs at LHC : Implications



Same process from QCD perspective.
u,d,s,c,b loops \rightarrow (b and) t loops
 Q^2 different. $x(g)$ similar

$\sigma(\text{SMH} \sim 120 \text{ GeV}) \sim 10 \text{ fb}$ (MSSM bigger)

Measuring both protons at 240m & 420m : $\sigma(M) \sim 2 \text{ GeV/event}$
S:B only a few. $\rightarrow J=0, CP = ++, \Gamma(H), \Gamma_{gg}$.

TDR being prepared to add very forward proton spectrometers to CMS (& ATLAS)



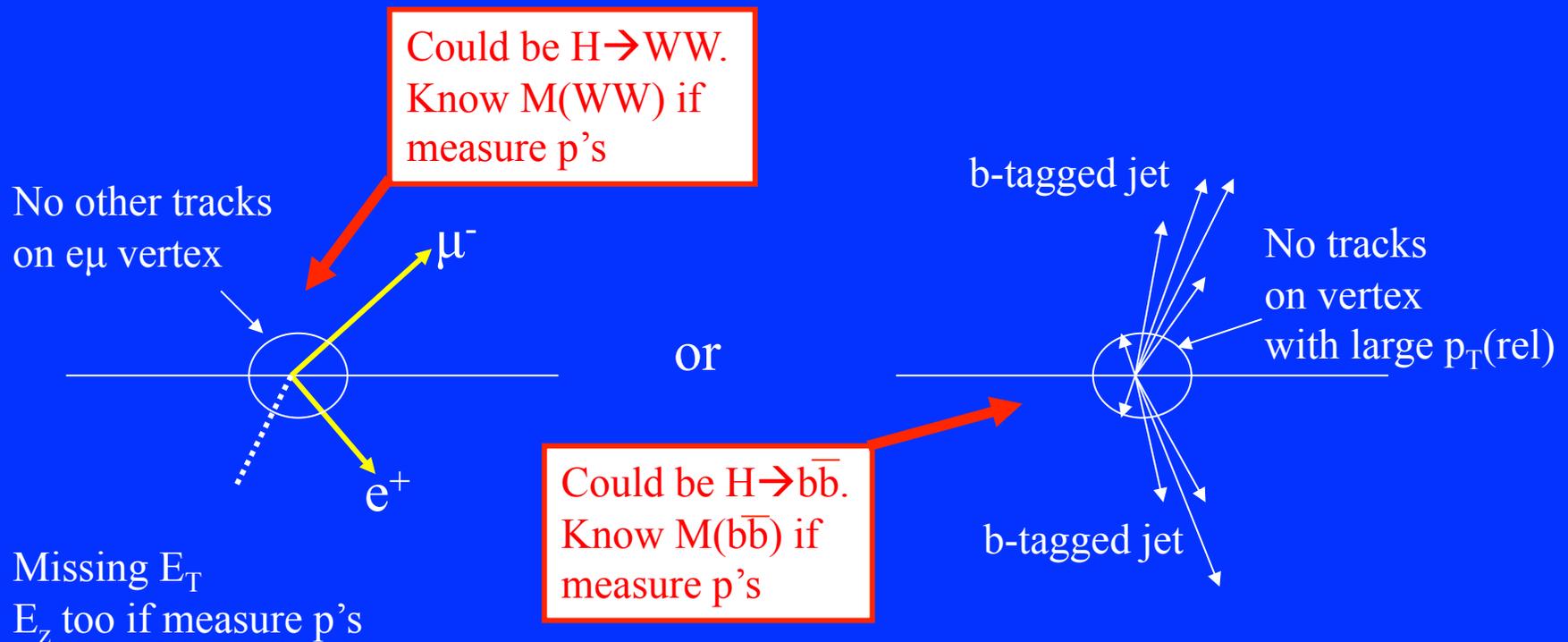
The cleanest, simplest inelastic pp collisions.



Class 3 Interactions at the LHC:

“Inelastic, with no hadrons produced”

Consider $WW + \text{nothing}$ (p 's go down pipe, small p_T)
 $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow W^+W^-) \sim 50 \text{ fb}$... or $H + \text{nothing}$





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and **Particle Physics Division**

Thank you for your attention



Rate of $\gamma\gamma$ Events is constant over the data year



Table: $\gamma\gamma$ candidates

Period	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}[\text{pb}^{-1}]$	$E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}$	
		$\gamma\gamma$	$\div \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}[\text{pb}]$
8	11.7	7	0.60
9	11.8	9	0.76
10	16.5	11	0.67
11	11.7	5	0.43
12	6.4	3	0.47
13	17.7	8	0.45
Tot:	75.8	43	0.57

Rate consistent over time

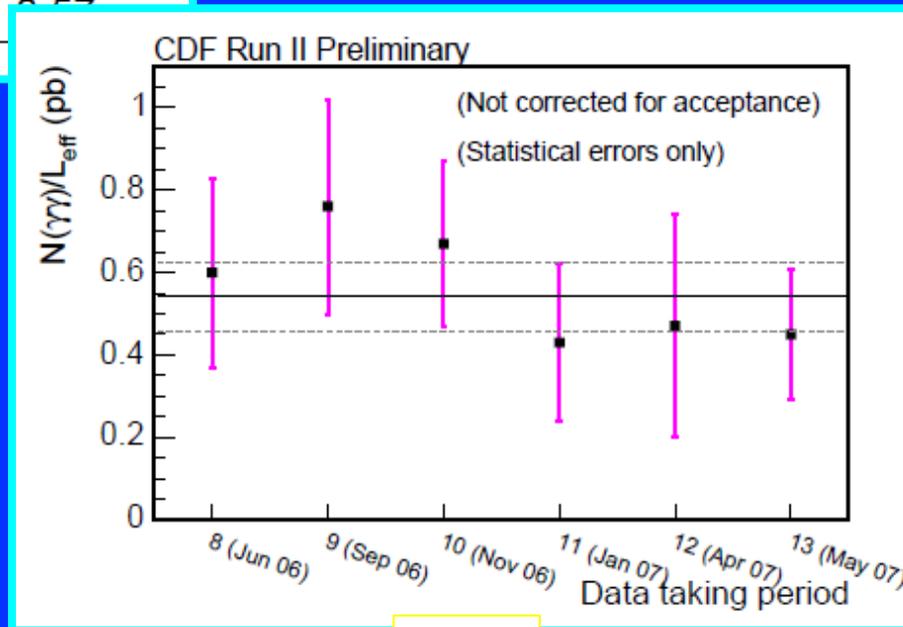


Table: Conversion Acceptance

E_T cut (GeV)	2.5
Acceptance _{conv}	0.568
Stat Err	± 0.001
Syst Err	± 0.063

1 year