### Charged-particle multiplicities in p-p interactions at $\sqrt{s}$ =900 GeV and $\sqrt{s}$ =7 TeV

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- 900 GeV Analysis First ATLAS Paper [arXiv:1003.3124]
  7 TeV Fast Analysis ATL-COM-PHYS-2010-189
- Results and their Application
- Outlook

#### Example for Minimum Bias Event





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## **Introduction: Minimum Bias Events**

- Bulk of physics happening at LHC are low- $p_{T}$  "minimum bias" events (soft QCD)
- Need to understand these since they will be present as background / pile-up in every event with interesting high- $p_{\rm T}$  signals
- Total cross section:

$$\sigma_{tot} = \sigma_{elas} + \sigma_{sd} + \sigma_{dd} + \sigma_{nd}$$



- Look at Charged Particle Density at  $\eta=0$ 
  - Predictions by different generators (PYTHIA, PHOJET) and different PYTHIA tunes (MC09, CDF, ...) diverge towards large centre of mass energies
- Need to measure to constrain phenomenological models!
- Previous measurements
  - remove single-diffractive (sd) component using MC
  - Reduce sd due to coincidence trigger:
     "NSD" measurements
  - They extrapolate down to  $p_{\rm T}$ >=0MeV

# **This ATLAS Minimum Bias Measurement**

- Measure charged particle multiplicities in p-p collisions
- In this analysis we can see only part of total cross section:
- triggered inelastic events with charged particles in geometrical acceptance in regime of well-understood tracking ( $p_{T}$  not too low)
- Kinematic range  $|\eta|$ <2.5,  $p_{\rm T}$  > 500 MeV,  $N_{\rm ch} \ge 1$ 
  - Avoid taking N<sub>d</sub> =0 from Monte Carlo
  - Measure corrections from data if possible

# Avoid model dependences as much as possible!



# **Trigger and Data Quality**

- Require at least one hit above threshold from either side of the detector L1\_MBTS\_1
- Prevents bias on diffractive components
- Require fully operational Inner
   Detector and Solenoidal *B*-Field
- Look at collision bunch crossings only
- ~455000 events selected in whole 2009 900 GeV data

Minimum Bias Trigger Scintillators **MBTS** 



## **Control Trigger and Inner Detector**

• mbSpTrk - L1 Beam-pickup, filtered by L2 Pixel and Silicon microstrip (SCT) spacepoints, and EF track.



# **Offline Selection**

#### **Event Selection**

- Require L1 MBTS trigger
- Primary vertex
  - Including  $\geq$ 3 tracks (p<sub>T</sub> > 150 MeV)
- Number of selected tracks ≥ 1

Selection causes loss of events that needs to be corrected for

**Trigger Correction** 

**Vertex Correction** 

Track Reconstruction Correction

### Track Selection

- *p*<sub>T</sub> > 500 MeV
- |η| < 2.5
- Number of Pixel Hits  $\geq 1$
- Number of SCT Hits  $\geq 6$
- |d<sub>0</sub><sup>PV</sup>| < 1.5 mm
- $|z_0^{PV} \sin(\theta^{PV})| < 1.5 \text{ mm}$
- Inside out track reconstruction

- ATLAS Si Detectors: Pixel and Silicon Strip (SCT)
- Transverse and Longitudinal Track Impact-Parameters evaluated Wrt. Primary Vertex (PV)

# **Trigger Efficiency**



- Parametrised as function of offline selected tracks (w/o vertex requirement – wrt beamspot BS)
- Determined by comparing to Control Trigger mbSpTrk
- Very high small correction

### **Beam Background**



- Measure time difference from offline readout of MBTS
- (Timing cut is not used in analysis selection.)
- Look at collisions events (paired bunches) and single beam (unpaired bunches)
- Beam background rate at 10<sup>4</sup> level

## **Vertex Efficiency**



• Measured from data:

Ratio of triggered events with vertex / all triggered events

 Tiny systematic from beam background.

- Software setup to find at most one vertex per event
- No pile-up in data
- Require at least 3 tracks with pt>150 MeV fitted to vertex

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# **Simulation of Tracks in Inner Detector**

#### Average Number of Pixel Hits

#### Average Number of SCT Hits



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## **Track Reconstruction Efficiency**

- Determined from Monte Carlo cone matching reco to true tracks
- Average Track Efficiency ~76%
- Fraction of Secondary Tracks (~2.2%) and Fake tracks (0.1%) also determined from MC







# **Secondary Tracks**

- Sources of secondary interactions:
  - Nuclear interactions
  - Weakly decaying particles (Ks, Lambda etc.)
  - Pion decays
- Define secondary as mean life time  $\tau > 0.3 x 10^{-10} \, \text{s}$



- Cut on d0 and z0 removes secondaries
- Estimate remaining secondaries in from fit of MC to data impact parameter distribution in 2 <  $d_0$  < 10 mm
- 2.20%  $\pm$  0.05 (stat.)  $\pm$  0.11 (syst.) of selected tracks
- Subtract from track yield

# Correction Procedure dN/d $\eta$ and dN/d $p_{T}$



- Apply efficiencies and additional corrections as weights during analysis
- Event-Weight Trigger, Vertex
- Track-Weight Track Eff., Contaminations, Resolution

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$$w_{\rm ev}(N_{\rm Sel}^{\rm BS}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_{\rm trig}(N_{\rm Sel}^{\rm BS})} \cdot \frac{1}{\epsilon_{\rm vtx}(N_{\rm Sel}^{\rm BS})}$$
$$w_{\rm trk}(p_{\rm T},\eta) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_{\rm bin}(p_{\rm T},\eta)} \cdot (1 - f_{\rm sec}(p_{\rm T})) \cdot (1 - f_{\rm okr}(p_{\rm T},\eta))$$

# n<sub>dh</sub> Correction

- Distributions in  $n_{dn}$  need to be corrected for bin migrations due to track efficiency
- Use a matrix to distribute tracks to their particle multiplicity bins ("Bayesian Unfolding")
- This does not change overall number of events measured
- Use correction factor to recover events lost due to track efficiency

$$C_{tr}(\langle \varepsilon_{bin}(p_T, \eta) \rangle, n_{Sel}) = \frac{1}{1 - (1 - \langle \varepsilon_{bin}(p_T, \eta) \rangle)^i}.$$



# n<sub>dh</sub> Correction



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### **Closure Tests**



- Test with MC if the correction procedure works
- Apply full analysis chain to MC and compare to truth distributions

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# **Systematic Uncertainties**

Systematic uncertainty on the number of events, $N_{ev}$	
Trigger efficiency	< 0.1%
Vertex-reconstruction efficiency	< 0.1%
Track-reconstruction efficiency	1.1%
Different MC tunes	0.4%
Total uncertainty on $N_{ev}$	1.2%
Systematic uncertainty on $(1/N_{ev}) \cdot (dN_{ch}/d\eta)$	at $\eta = 0$
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# Charged Particle Density vs. $\eta$ and $p_{T}$



• Transverse momentum agrees well only below  $p_{T} < 0.7 \text{ GeV}$ 

- Data are 5%-15% above Monte Carlo predictions
- Models were tuned in different phase space

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# Charged Particle Multiplicity and Average $p_{T}$



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# **Comparison to UA1 and CMS**

Use invariant yield to compare different experiments

- *p*<sub>T</sub> spectrum similar to CMS NSD result.
  - Agree within uncertainties when ATLAS is converted to CMS NSD.
- Interpreted UA1 data are higher at low p<sub>τ</sub>
  - Expect this is a measurement definition difference.



# **Application: Luminosity Measurement**

• Use measured event yield  $N_{av}$  and MC cross section predictions to calculate luminosity

$$\int \mathscr{L} dt = \frac{N_{ev}}{\sigma_{vis}} = \frac{N_{ev}}{\varepsilon_{ND}\sigma_{ND} + \varepsilon_{SD}\sigma_{SD} + \varepsilon_{DD}\sigma_{DD}}$$

- Compare to other methods (LAr timing) and especially other experiments (ALICE, CMS)
- Repeat analysis in restricted, common phase space ( $\eta$ <0.8) to derive correction factor for  $N_{ev}$ .
- Measure event rate as function of UTC time
- Calculate instantaneous luminosity using PHOJET xsection and acceptance predictions



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## 7 TeV Analysis

- This was the first ATLAS paper
- Now do it again with 7 TeV data
- Fast analysis of 7 TeV data for DIS'10 Conference
  - Just use first usable run: 152166
  - 369673 events, 3769168 tracks after selection
  - Already more statistics than 900 GeV data
  - Change the procedure as little as possible
  - Run new tracking scheme but use old cuts

Status presented here COM Notes in circulation Not public results yet!

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## Tracking at 7 TeV



Pixel Hits, SCT Hits and Impact Parameters just as described as in 900 GeV data

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# Vertexing at 7 TeV

- Pile-up possible at high beam intensity
- (Almost) not the case in the present data sample
- Studied in detail nevertheless
- Strategy: Remove real pile-up events
- Define anti-pile-up cut: Second vertex may not have more than 3 track
- Estimate 10<sup>4</sup> pileup events remaining in data





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# **Comparison 900 GeV and 7 TeV Data**



 Higher particle multiplicity and densities in all distributions

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## First look at 7 TeV Data



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## First Look At 7 TeV Data



# **Energy Dependence of dN/d** $\eta$ at $\eta$ =0



Fig. 1: Central charged particle density for non-single diffractive inelastic p- $\bar{p}$  collisions.

- Difficult to compare different experiments due to different phase space definitions  $(p_{\tau}>0 / > 500 \text{ MeV cut}, \text{NSD} / \text{ inelastic}, ...)$
- Only feature ATLAS on plot
- Surprisingly well agreement with MC predictions

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# **Application: MC Tuning**

- ATLAS has its own MC tuning group extremely fast response to new data
- Tune to results already in progress problems with diffraction removal preferred



- This is just to show that there are model parameters that can only be deduced from the non-diffractive part
- Is not a tune yet, but we can use this only if we can sure that there is no diffraction left!

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## **Outlook: 7 TeV Analysis for Paper**

- Planned for the next 1-2 months
- Again just analyse data (no fits, extrapolations etc.)
- Data samples frozen last friday
- Use new tracking scheme including low  $p_{\tau}$  tracking
- Go to  $p_{\tau}$  as low as possible ~150 MeV?



Need data below  $p_T > 500$  MeV to Eventually allow good fit down to  $p_T = 0$  GeV

# Conclusion

- First Physics Results from ATLAS using *p-p* collisions at LHC Charged Particle Production in Inelastic Events
- Excellent Description of Inner Detector by Monte Carlo Simulation.
- Tracks corrected to particles with minimal model dependence.
- Charged Particle Multiplicity per Event and Unit of Pseudorapidity 5%-15% higher than Monte Carlo models.
- Application of Results
  - MC Tuning group works on improved tune.
  - Work to cross-calibrate lumi across experiments and constrain models further in progress.



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