

# Mean $\langle p_T \rangle$ fluctuations for pp collisions

Some issues in the Track Selection

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# Few words about the mean $p_T$ fluctuation (scale-independent approach)

- To measure the event-by-event fluctuations, we use the dynamical fluctuation  $\sigma_{p_T, \text{dyn}}^2$  defined as:

$$\sigma_{p_T, \text{dyn}}^2 = \langle (M(p_T) - \mu_{M(p_T)})^2 \rangle - \frac{\langle (p_T - \mu_{p_T})^2 \rangle}{\langle N_{\text{ch}} \rangle}$$

which is derived from:

- variance of the inclusive single particle  $p_T$  distribution  $\langle (p_T - \mu_{p_T})^2 \rangle$ ,
  - variance of the event-by-event mean transverse momentum distribution  $\langle (M(p_T) - \mu_{M(p_T)})^2 \rangle$  and
  - the average number of charged particles per event  $\langle N_{\text{ch}} \rangle$
- By definition  $\sigma_{p_T, \text{dyn}}^2$  is zero if all fluctuations are purely statistical

# Few words about the mean $p_T$ fluctuation (scale-dependent approach)

- In a scale-dependent approach we measure the event-by-event mean  $p_T$  with the two-particle correlator:

$$C_m = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^{n_{ev,m}} N_k^{\text{pairs}}} \sum_{k=1}^{n_{ev,m}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{acc,k}} \sum_{j=i+1}^{N_{acc,k}} (p_T^i - M(p_T)_m)(p_T^j - M(p_T)_m)$$

- Where  $M(p_T)_m = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^{n_{ev,m}} N_{acc,k}} \sum_{k=1}^{n_{ev,m}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{acc,k}} p_T^i$  is the mean transverse momentum of all tracks in multiplicity class  $m$

- We use the dimensionless ratio  $\frac{\sqrt{|C_m|}}{M(p_T)_m}$  for the representation of the results in units of the average transverse momentum

At the last PAG meeting where these results were presented:

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/476248/>

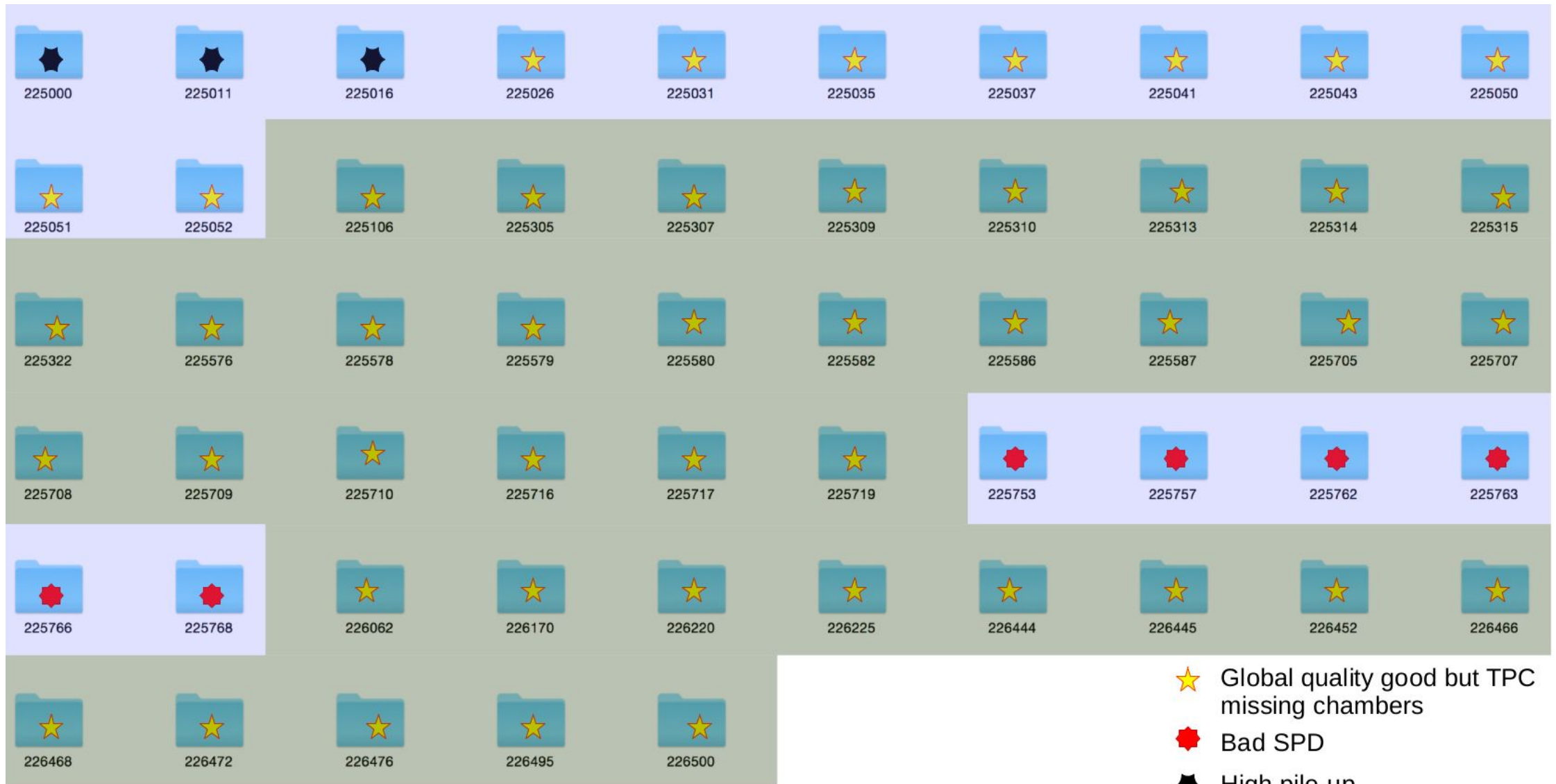
It was suggested to use TPOnly track cuts for the measurement of the  $\langle p_T \rangle$  fluctuation

- This we will show today

# Event selection

- kINT7 trigger
- $|vtxz| < 10$  cm
- Pile up is removed using SPD (standard cuts)
- Incomplete events from DAQ are excluded

# Event selection



- ★ Global quality good but TPC missing chambers
- ★ Bad SPD
- ★ High pile-up
- Positive magnetic field
- Negative magnetic field

# Event selection

- Runs:

225026,225031,225035,225037,225041,225043,225050,225051,  
225052,225106,225305,225307,225309,225310,225313,225314,  
225315,225322,225576,225578,225579,225580,225582,225586,  
225587,225705,225707,225708,225709,225710,225716,225717,  
225719,226062,226170,226220,226225,226444,226445,226452,  
226466,226468,226472,226476,226495,226500

- Period LHC15f pass2

- Number of events: 39,797,362

# Standard and TPC only cuts

## Standard cuts 2011

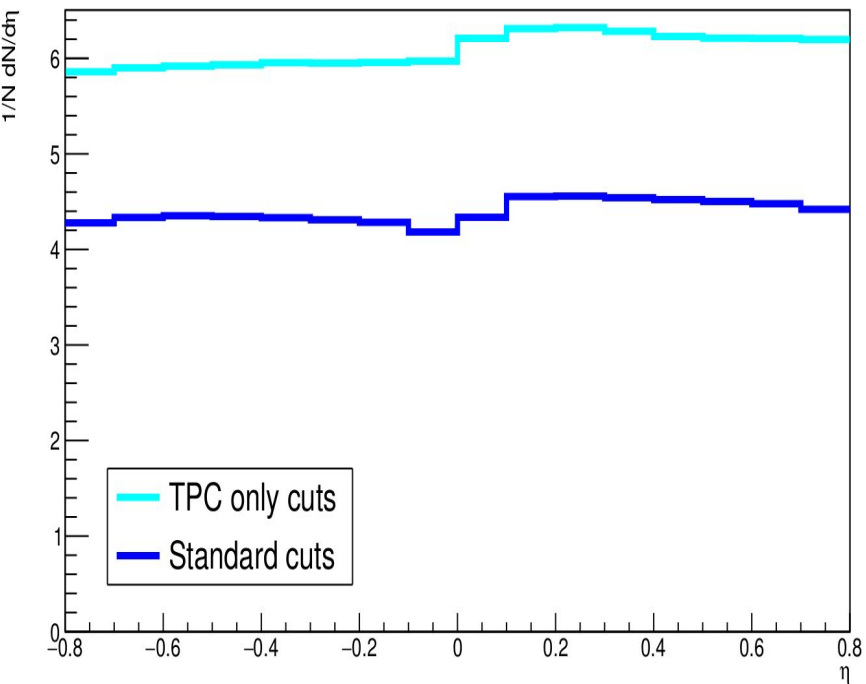
Min. TPC clusters	50
Max. $\chi^2$ per TPS Cls.	4
Reject kink daughters	yes
TPC refit	yes
ITS refit	yes
Require hits in ITS	one(Any)
Max. DCA to vertex xy	$0.0182+0.0350/p_T^{1.1}$ cm
Max DCA to vertex z	2 cm.

## TPC only cuts

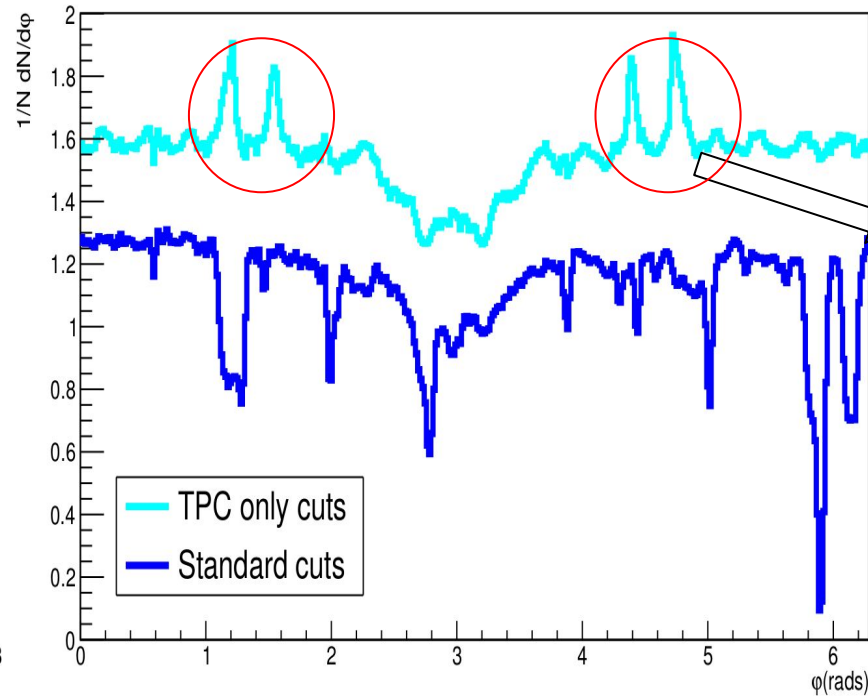
Min. TPC clusters	70
Max. $\chi^2$ per TPS Cls.	4
Reject kink daughters	yes
TPC refit	no
ITS refit	no
Require hits in ITS	no
Max. DCA to vertex xy	2.4 cm.
Max DCA to vertex z	3.2 cm.

# $\eta$ and $\varphi$ distributions

$\eta$  for p-p  $\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV



$\varphi$  for p-p  $\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV

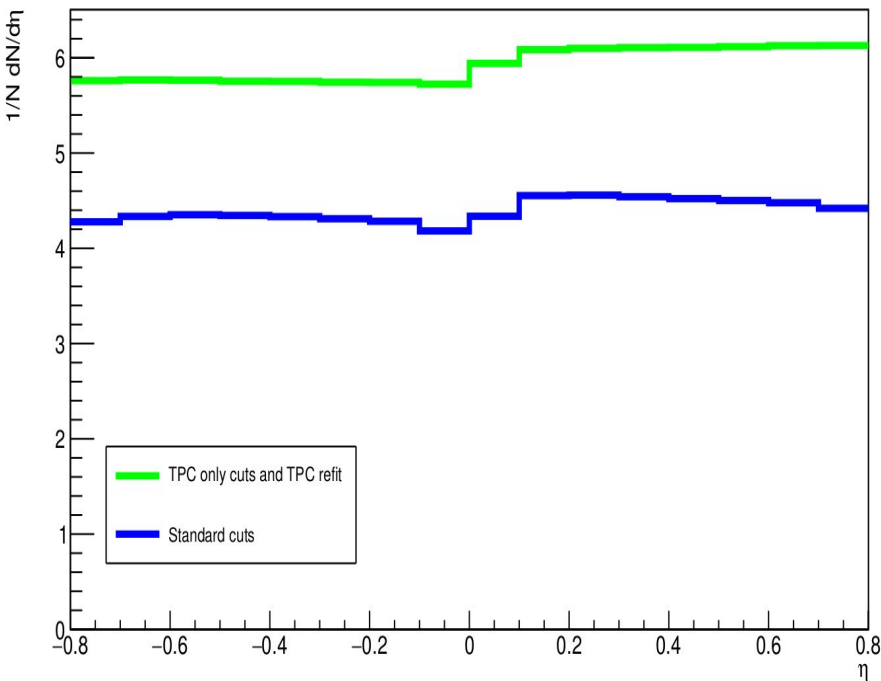


TPC only cuts

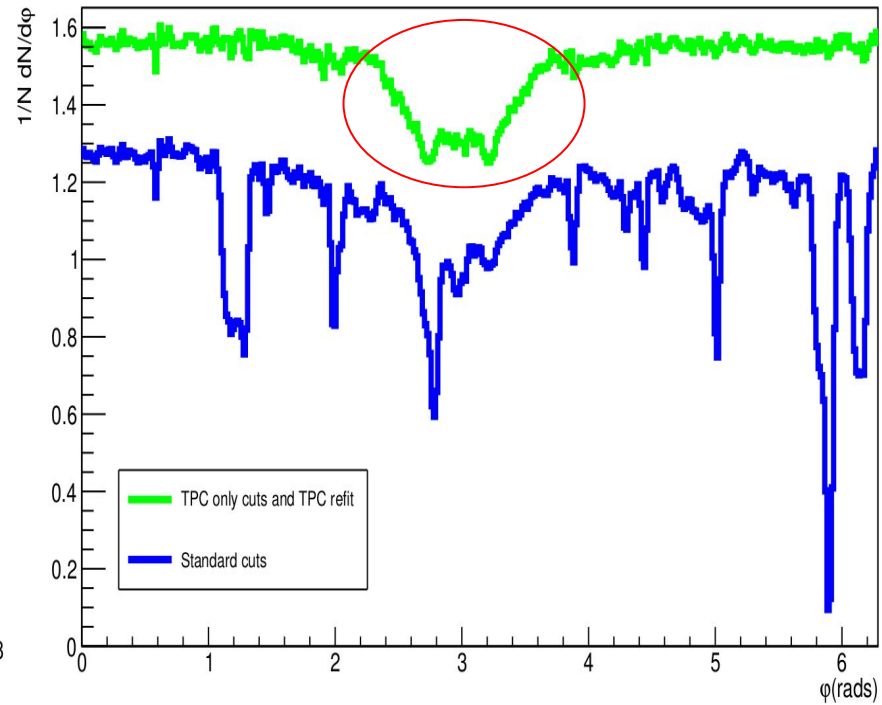
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# $\eta$ and $\varphi$ distributions (implementing TPC refit)

$\eta$  for p-p  $\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV and TPC refit



$\varphi$  for p-p  $\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV and TPC refit

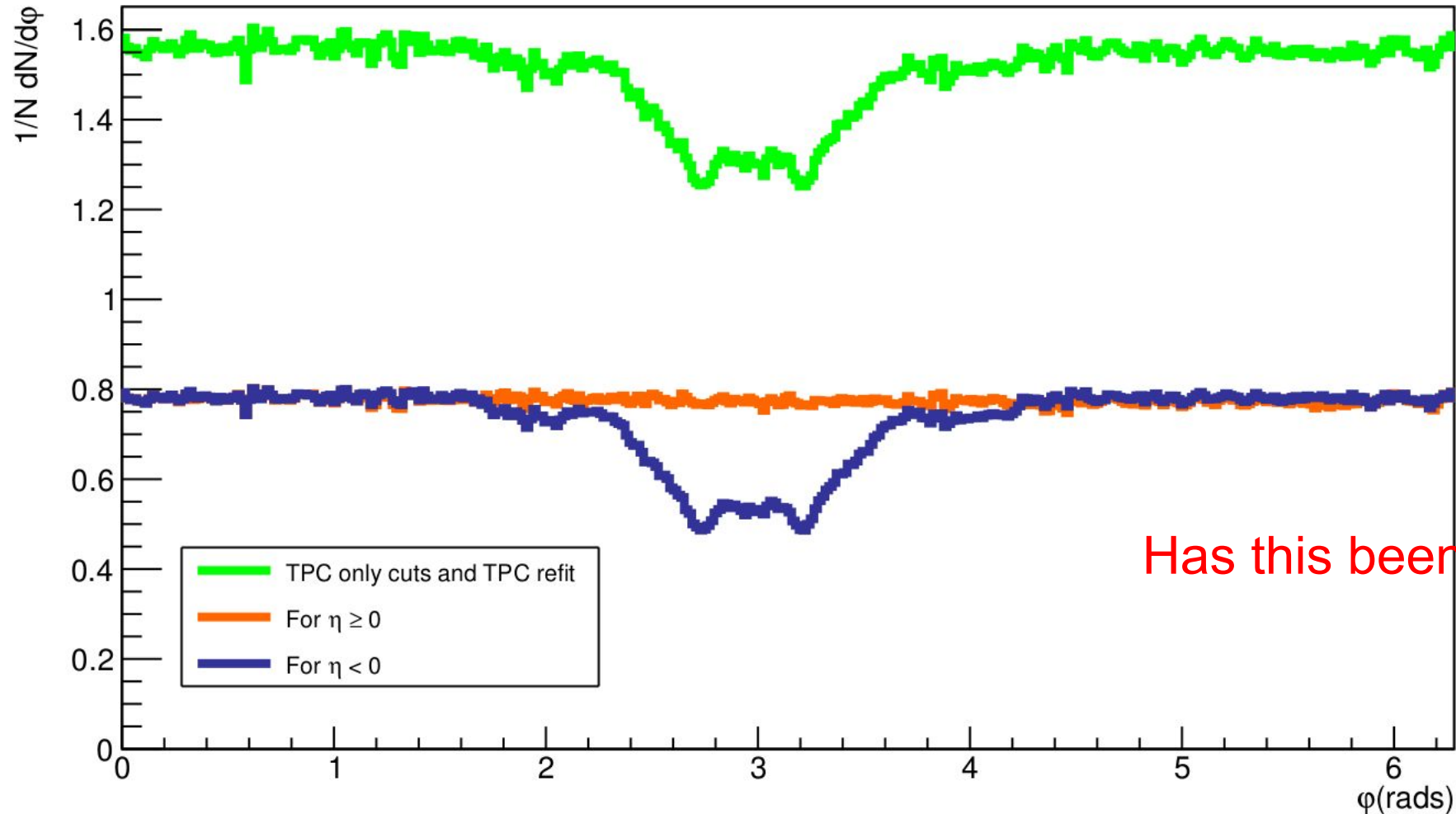


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# Origin of the dip at $\varphi \sim 3$ rad

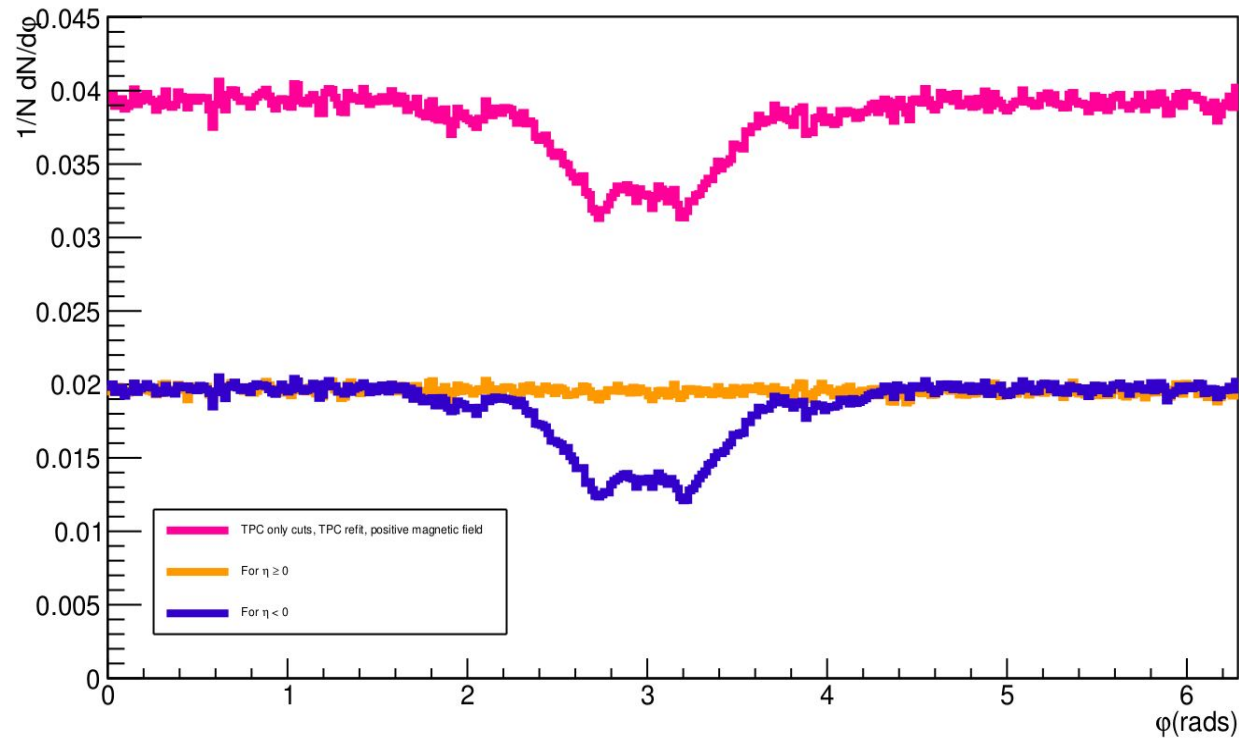
$\varphi$  for p-p  $\sqrt{s}= 13$  TeV and TPC refit



Has this been observed before?

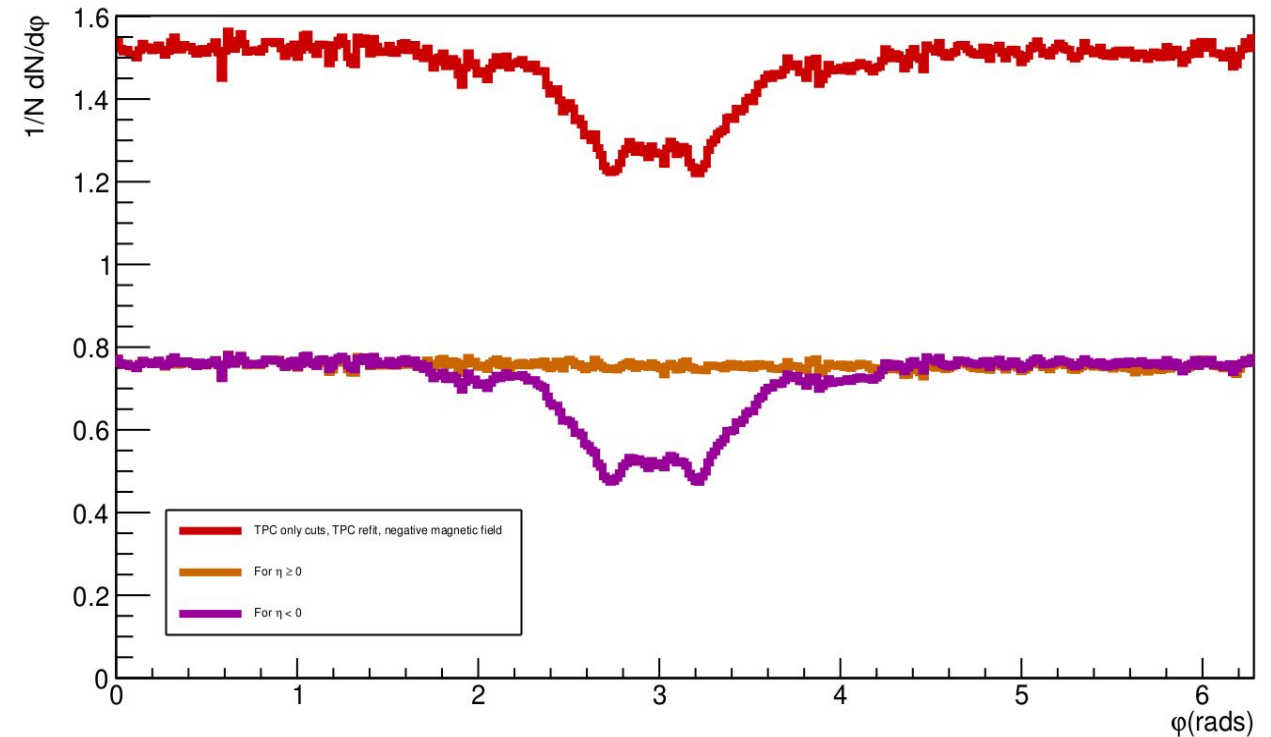
# Magnetic Field effects?

$\phi$  for p-p  $\sqrt{s}= 13$  TeV, positive magnetic field



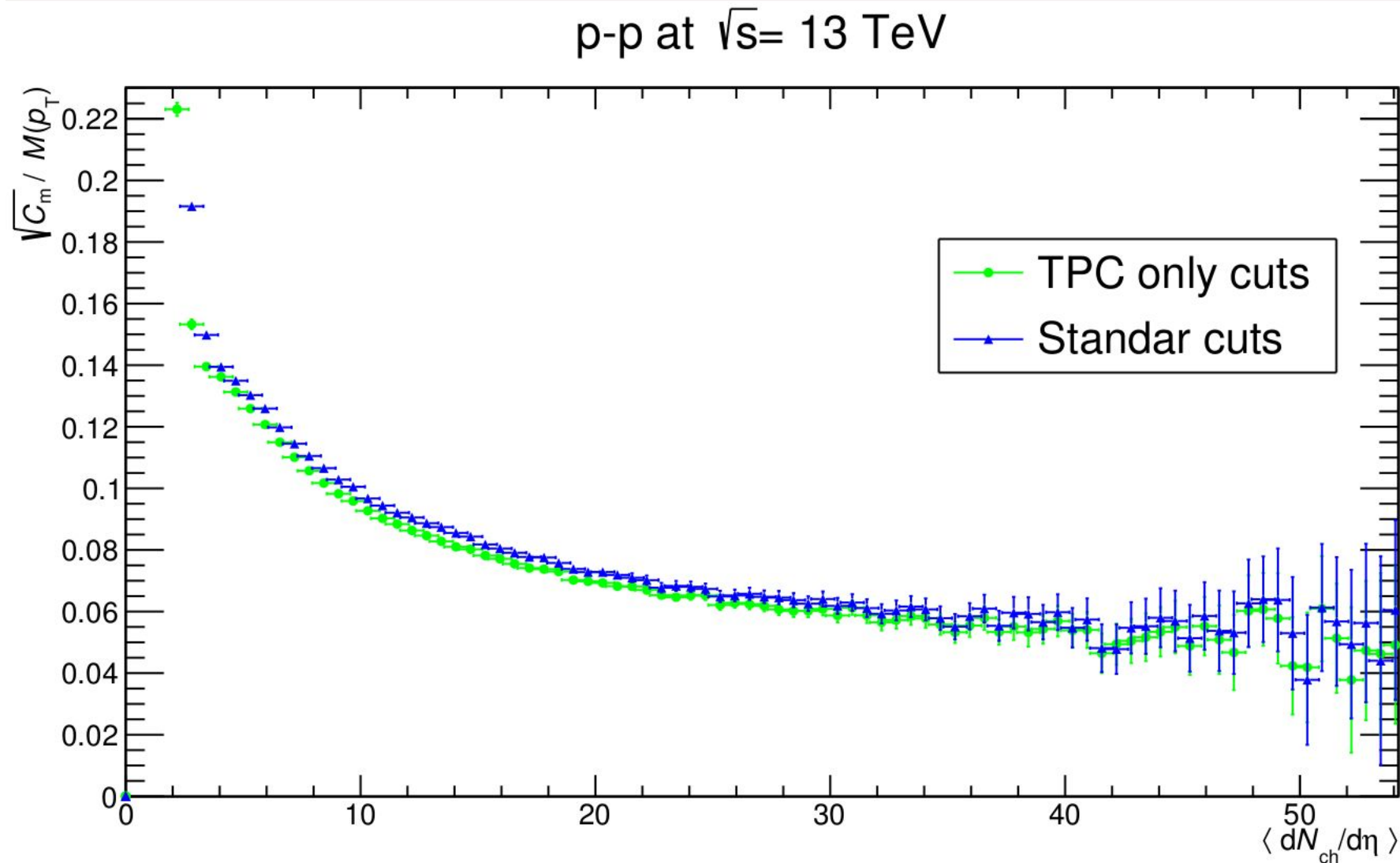
number of events: 917,051

$\phi$  for p-p  $\sqrt{s}= 13$  TeV, negative magnetic field



number of events: 35,515,400

# Fluctuations vs $\langle N_{ch} \rangle$ (reference estimator)



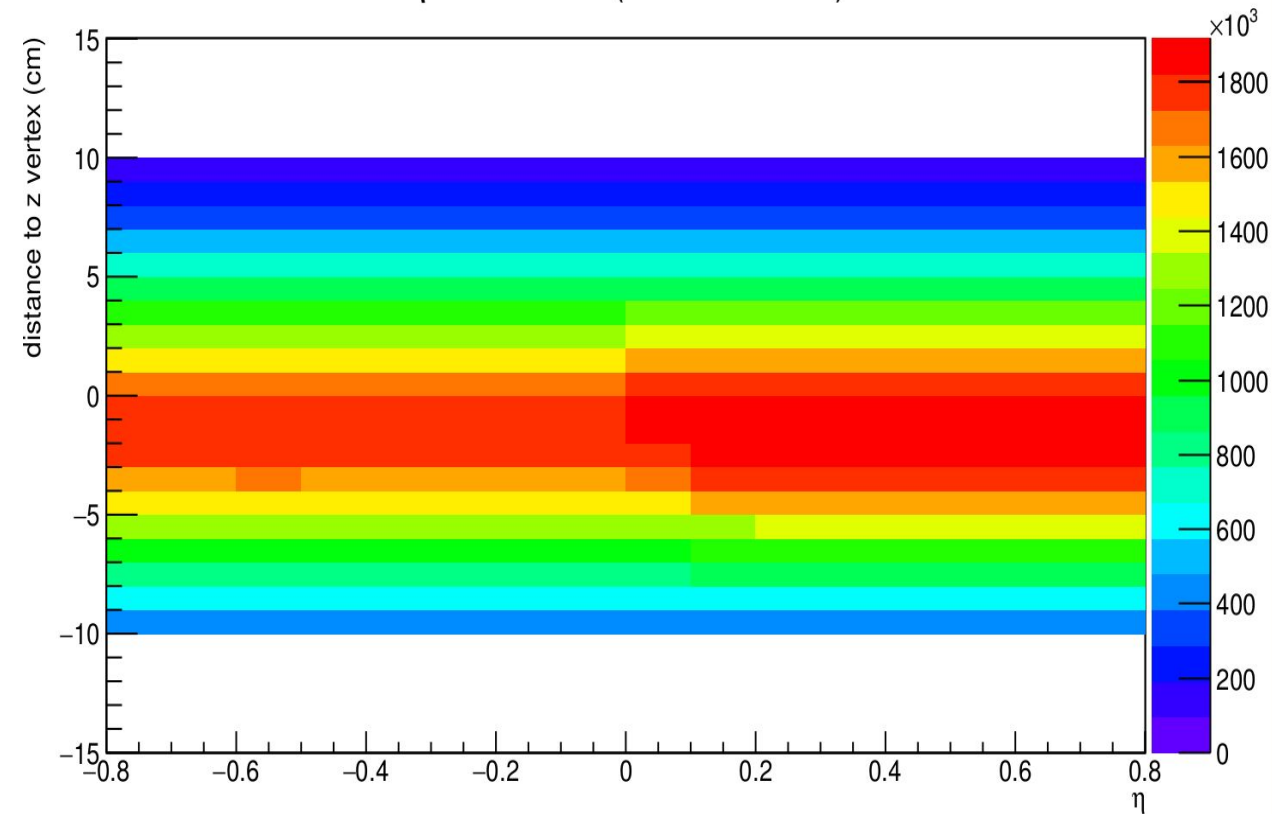
# To do list

- Check the most recent recommendations concerning the event selection:  
<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/viewauth/ALICE/AliceHMTFCodeSnippets>
- Check with experts the origin of the deep at  $\phi \sim 3$  rad for  $\eta < 0$ .
- Implement a selection based on event shapes

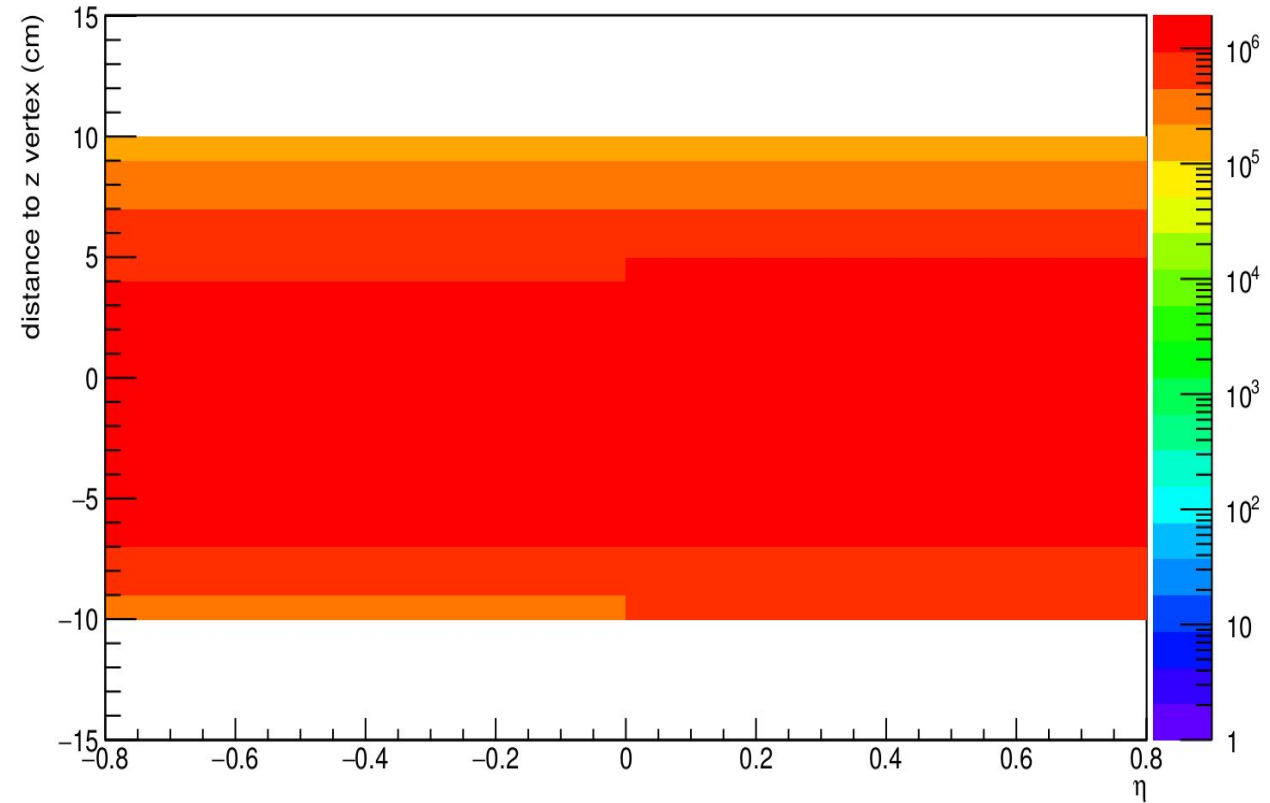
# Backup

# $\eta$ vs. $z_{\text{vtx}}$

$\eta$  vs  $z$  vertex (with TPC refit)



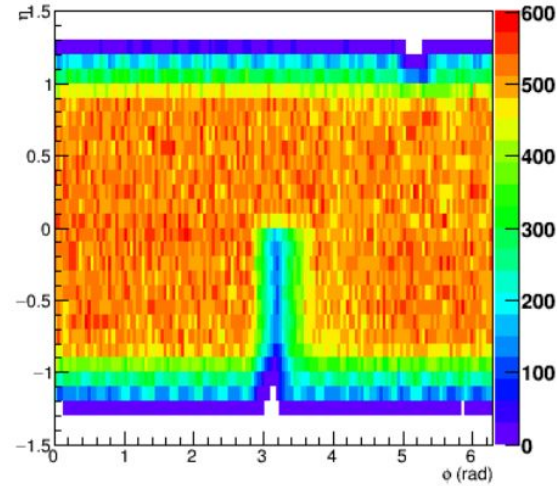
$\eta$  vs  $z$  vertex (with TPC refit)



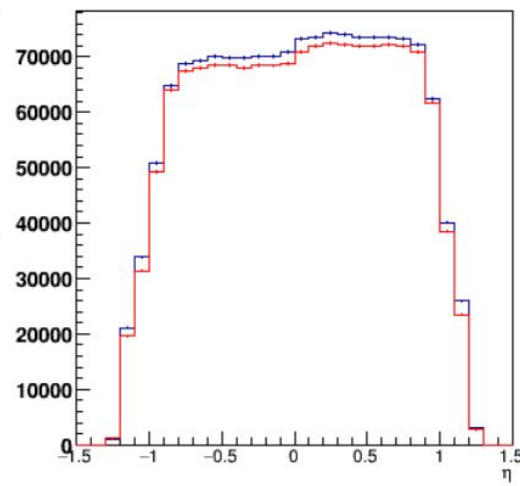
with Logz

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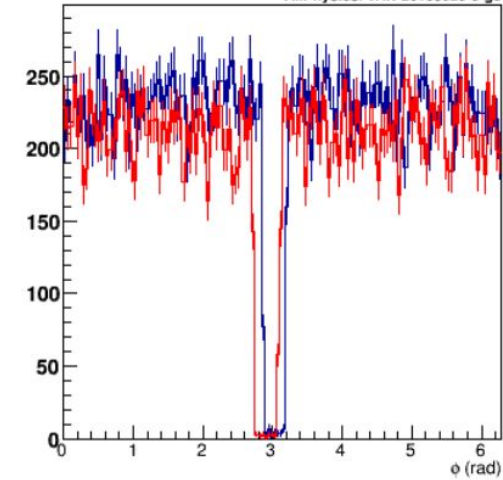
$\eta$  vs  $\phi$ , positive tracks



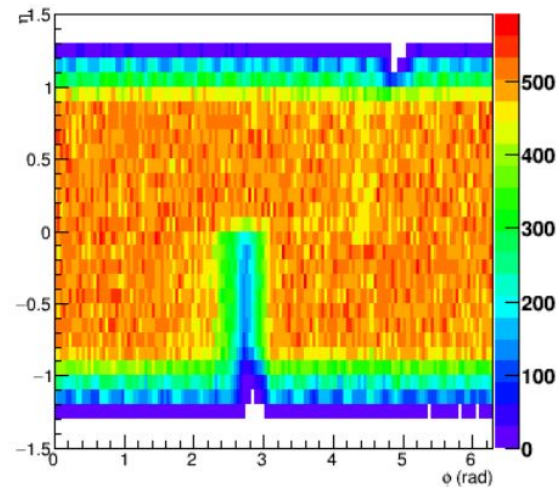
$\eta$  of pos/neg(red) charged tracks,  $n_{ch} > 70$



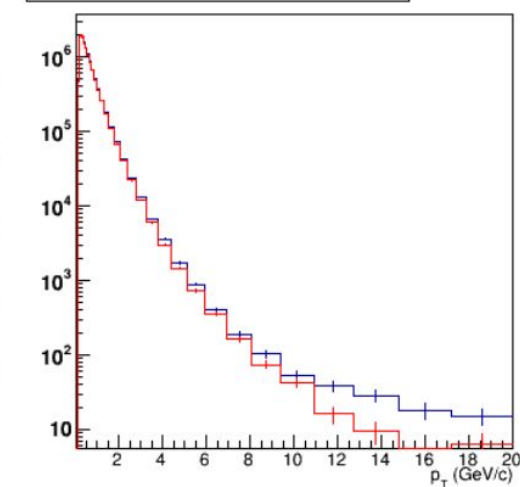
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 $\phi$  of pos/neg(red) charged tracks,  $p_t > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$ ,  $-0.8 < \eta < 0.0$   
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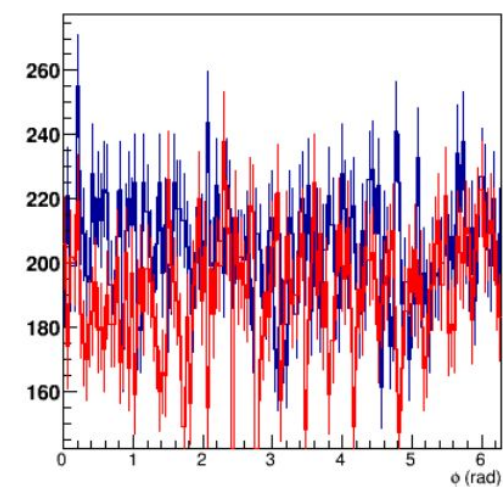
$\eta$  vs  $\phi$ , negative tracks



$p_t$  of pos/neg(red) charged tracks,  $n_{ch} > 70$ ,  $|\eta| < 0.8$



$\phi$  of pos/neg(red) charged tracks,  $p_t > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$ ,  $0.0 < \eta < 0.8$



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