



***STUDY OF INTERACTION OF HEAVY  
QUARKS WITH NUCLEAR MATTER IN  
CU CU AT  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GEV***

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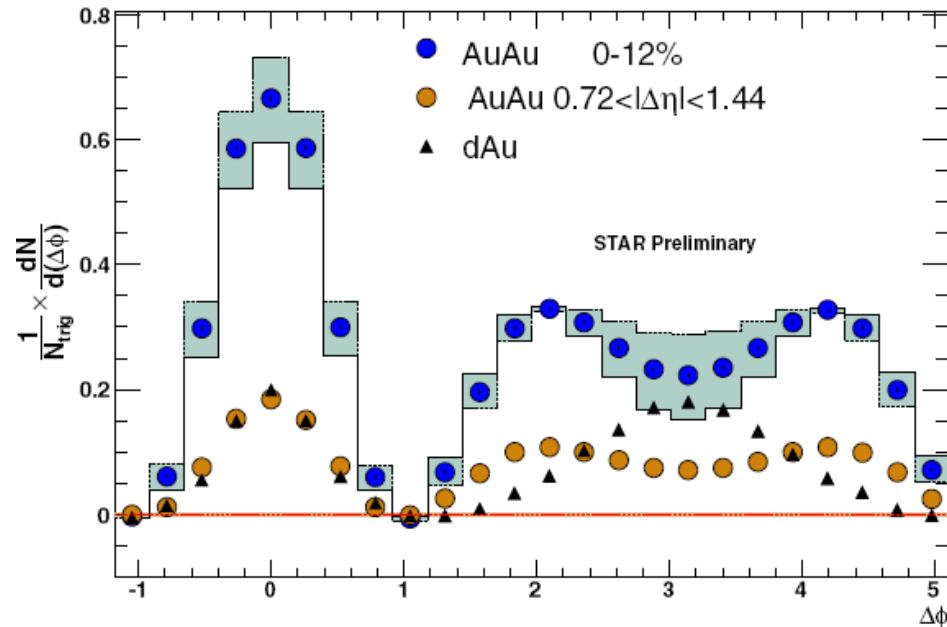
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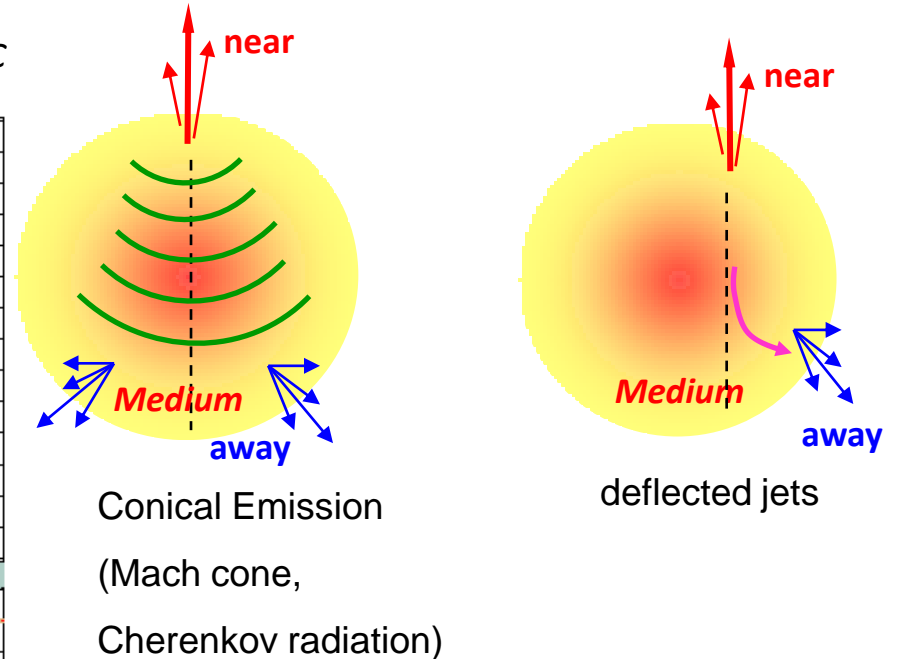
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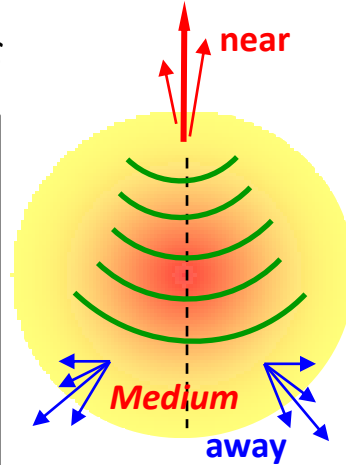
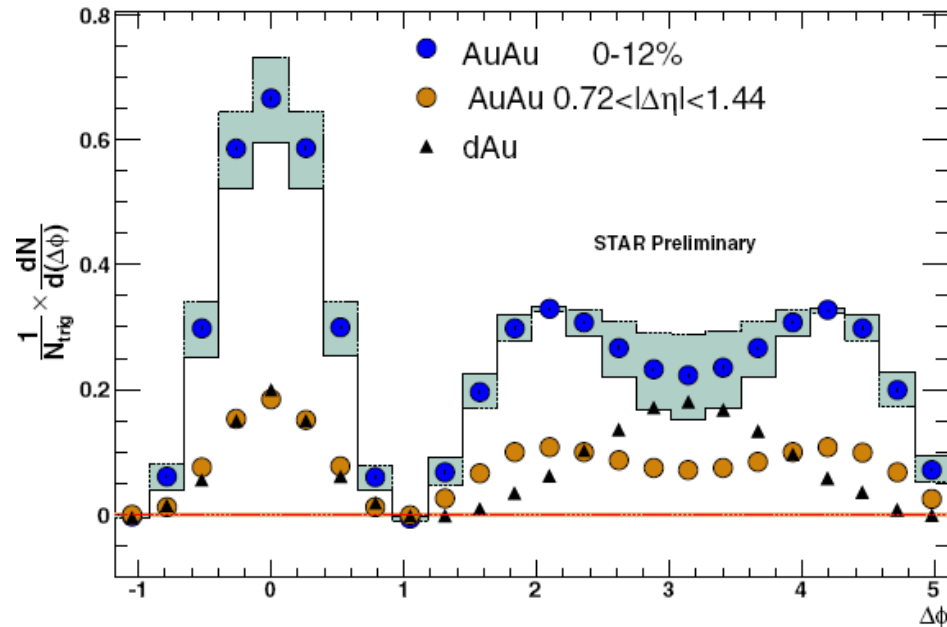


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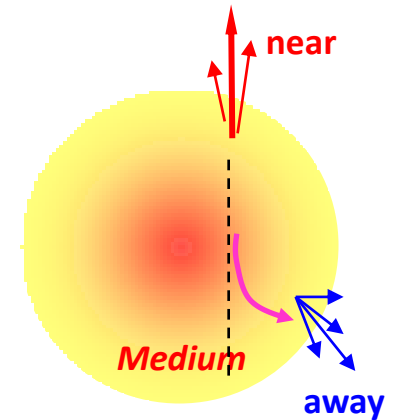
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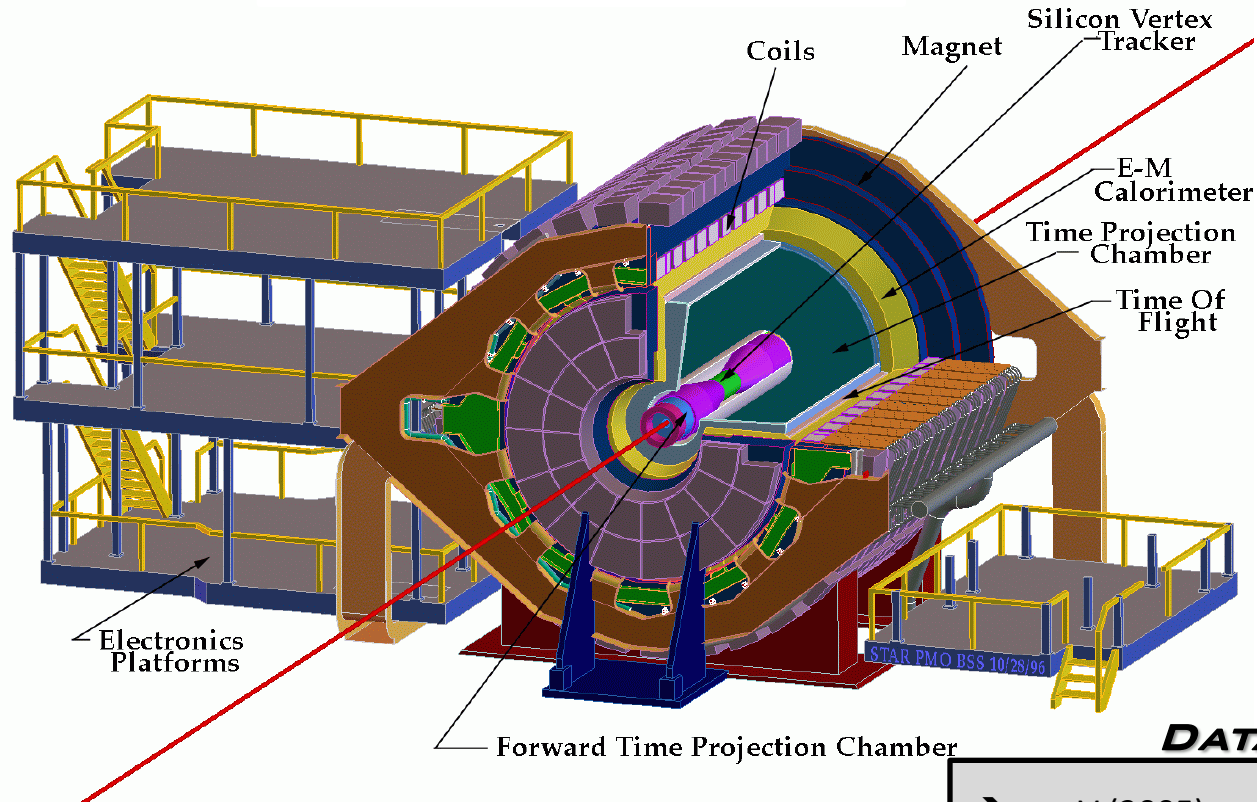
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**Question: Does heavy quark induce similar effect?**

# DETECTOR OVERVIEW



- Time Projection Chamber (TPC → tracking, momentum,  $dE/dx$ )
- Barrel Electro-Magnetic Calorimeter (BEMC → deposited energy)
- Barrel Shower Maximum Detector (BSMD → e-m shower area)

## DATA SAMPLE

- run V (2005)
- Cu+Cu  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV
- centrality selection: 0 – 20%
- **HighTower** triggered ( $E_T > 3,75$  GeV)
  - 2,2M events
  - (after QA selection)

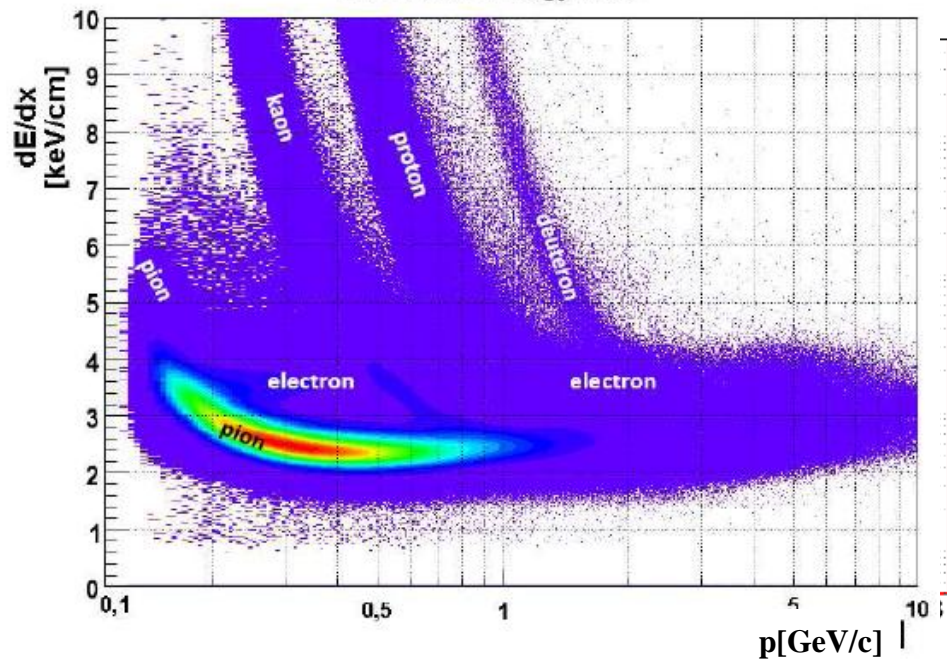
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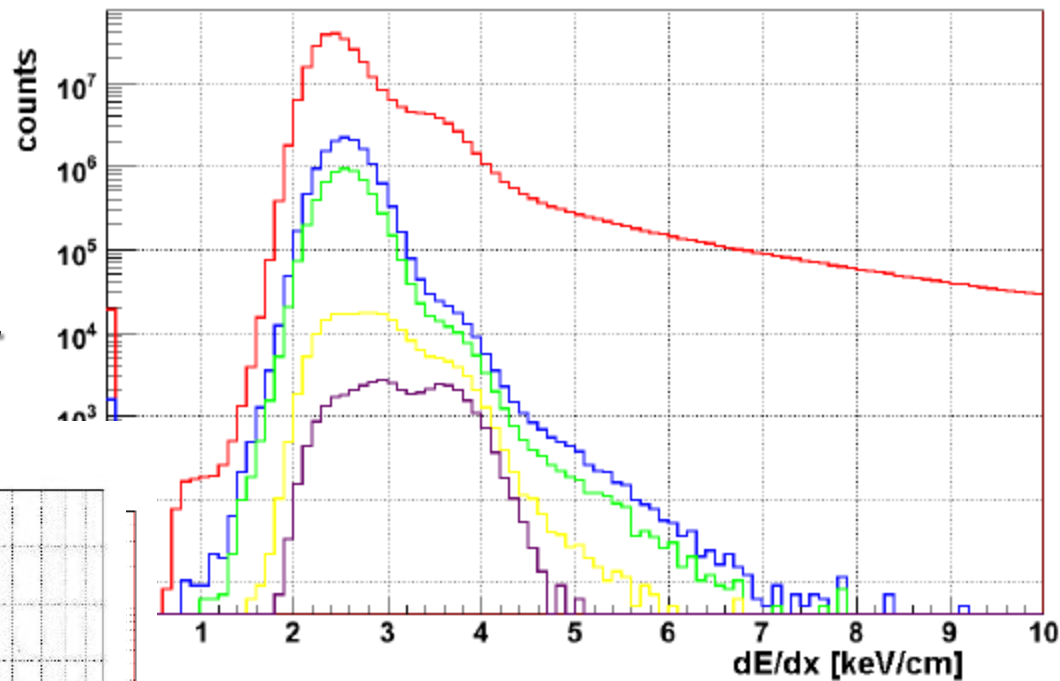
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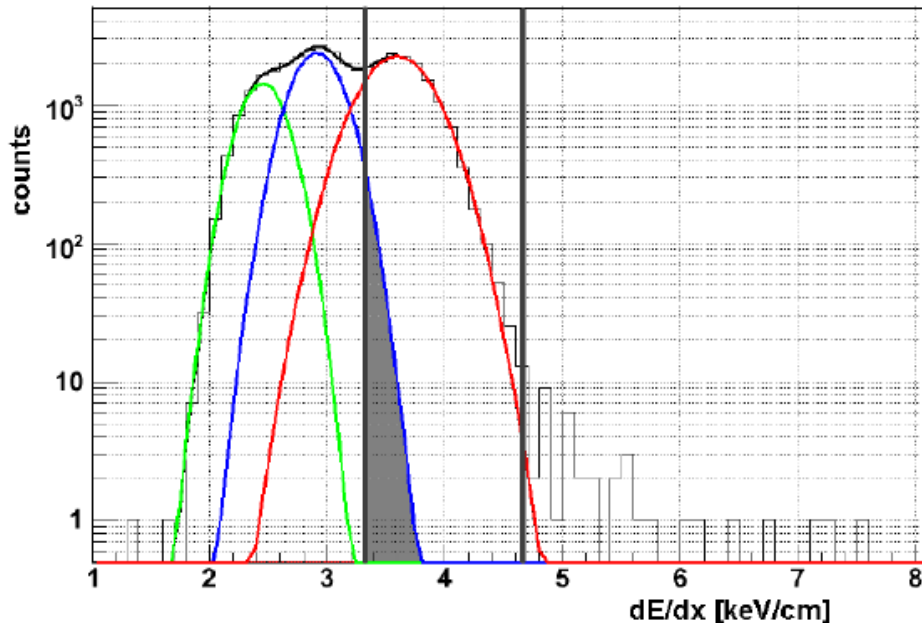
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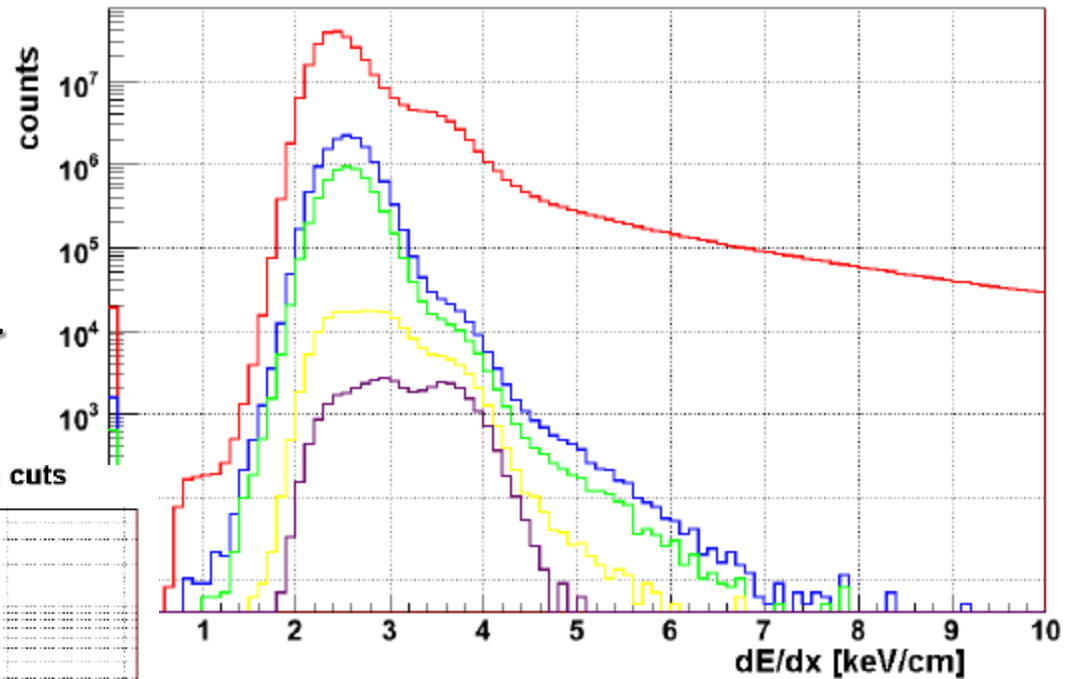
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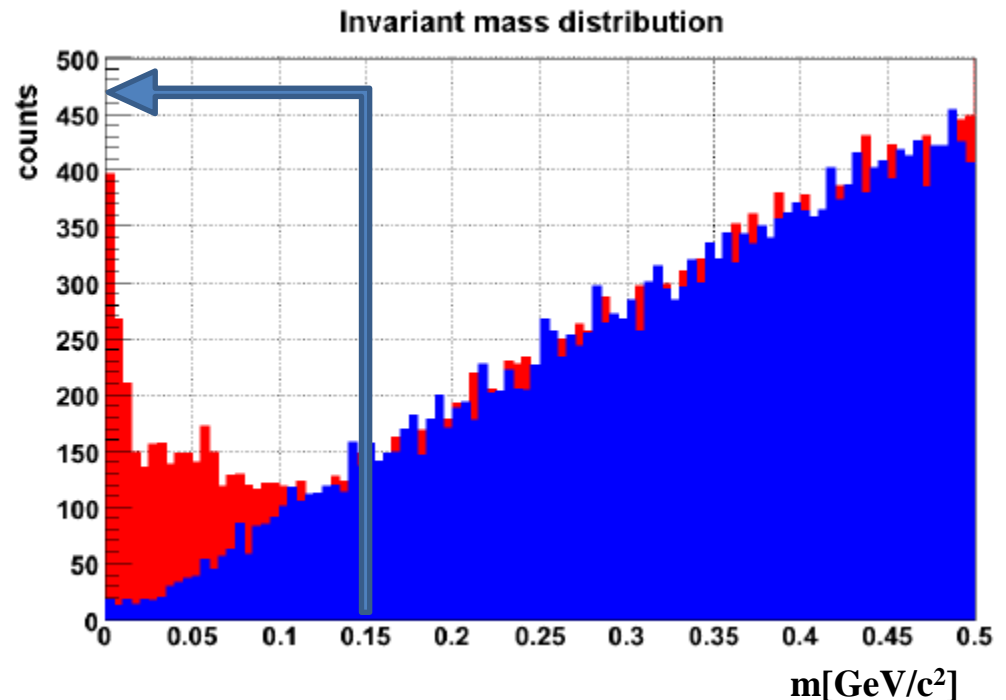
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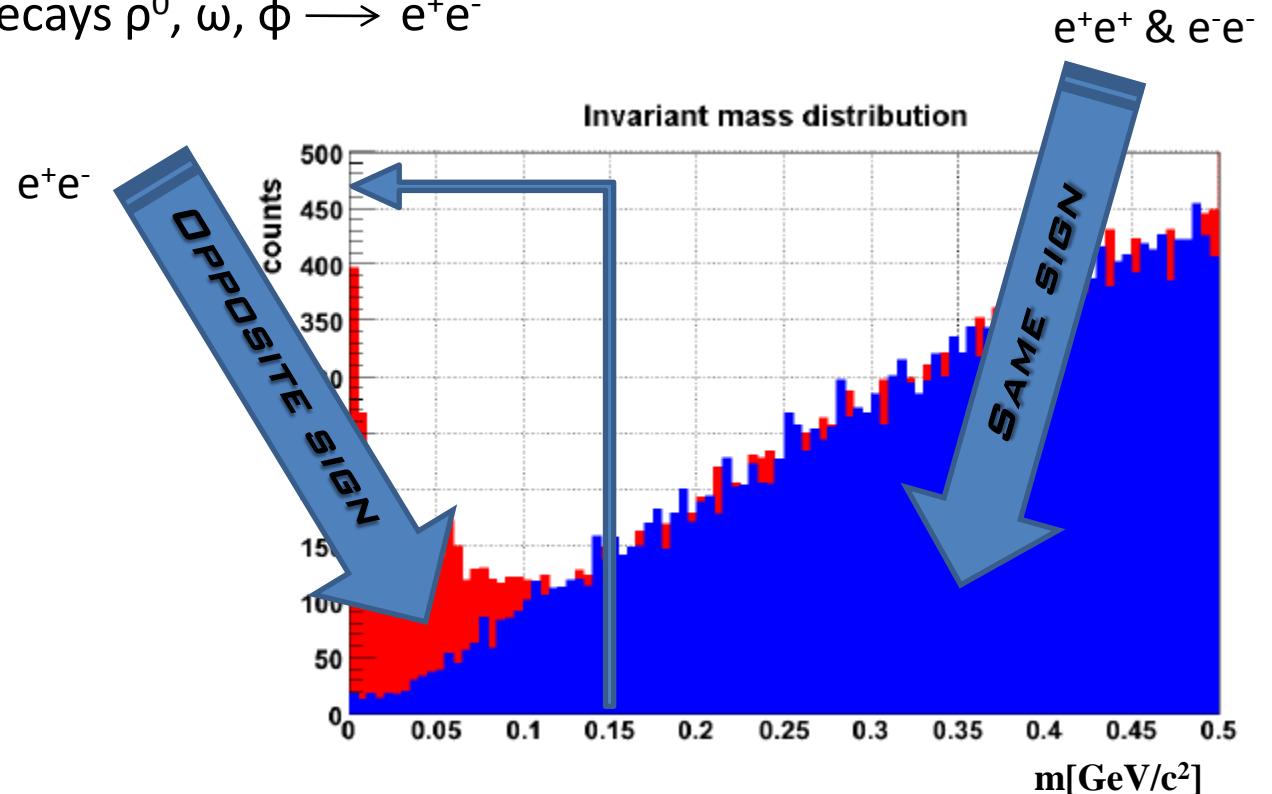


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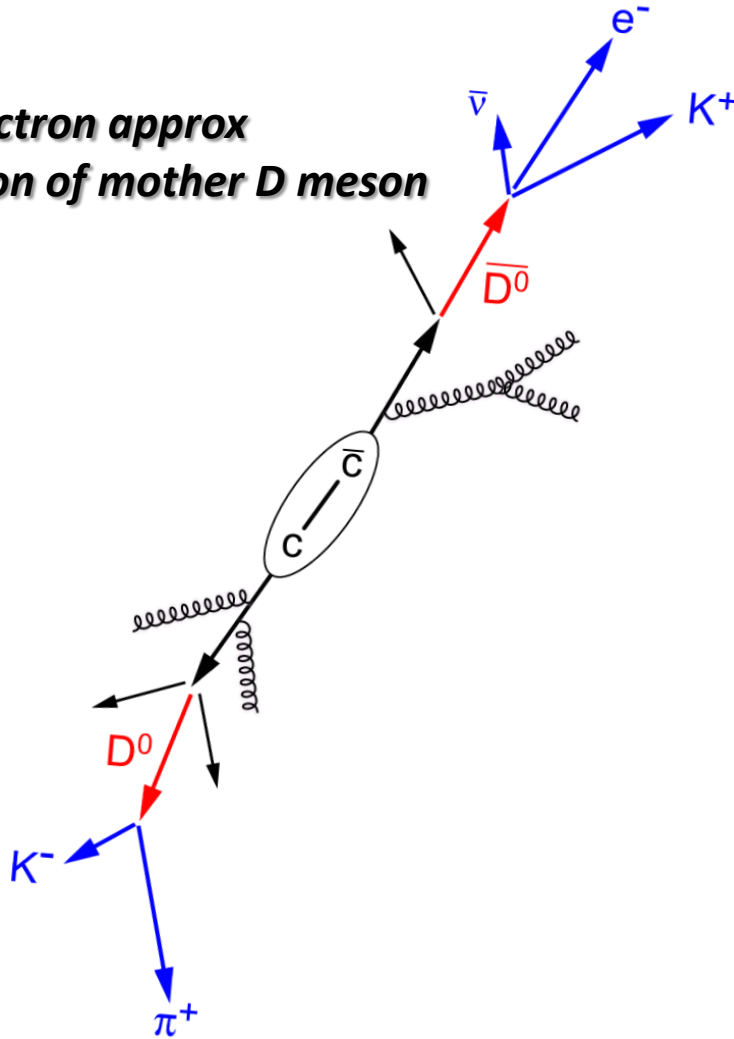
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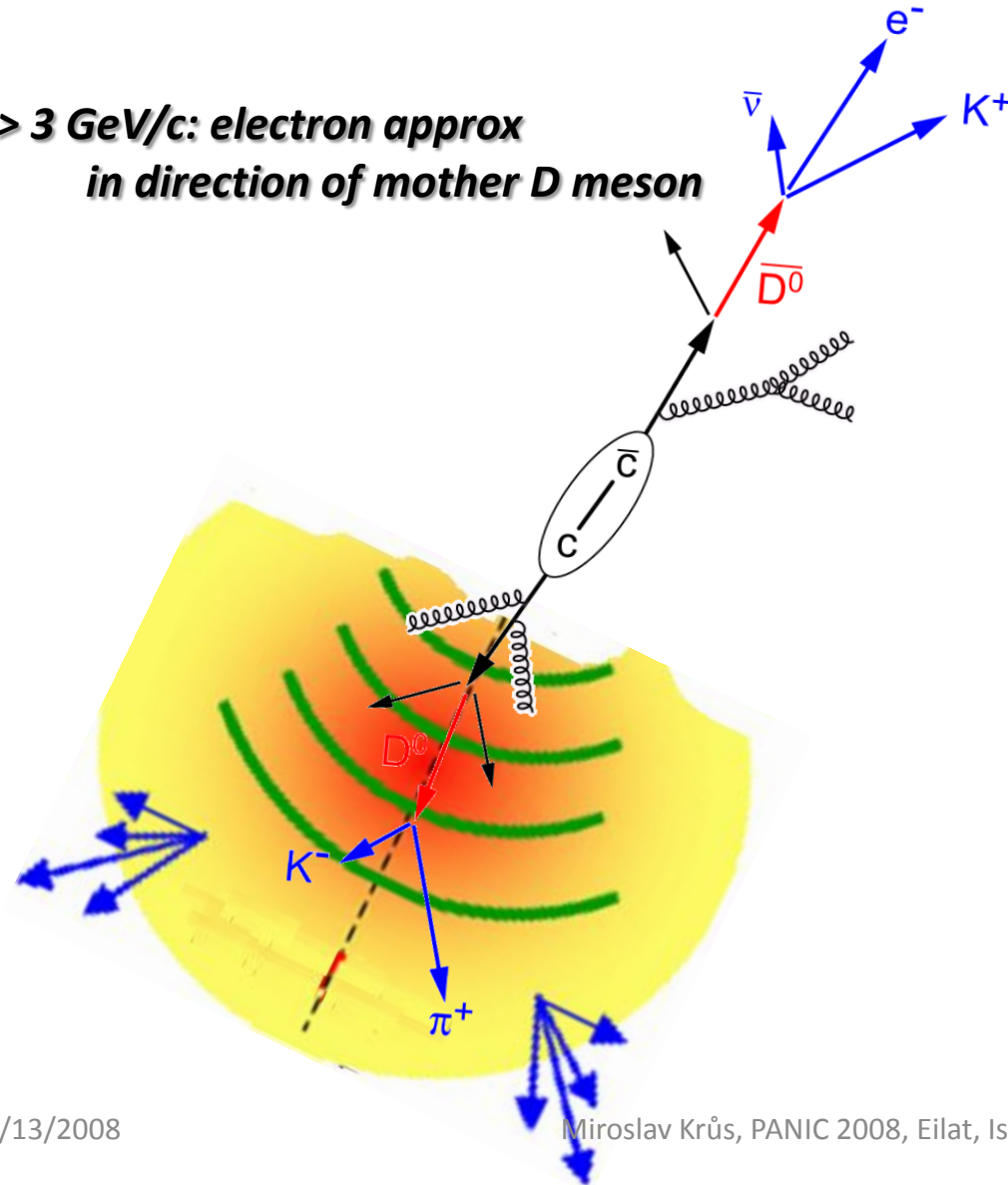
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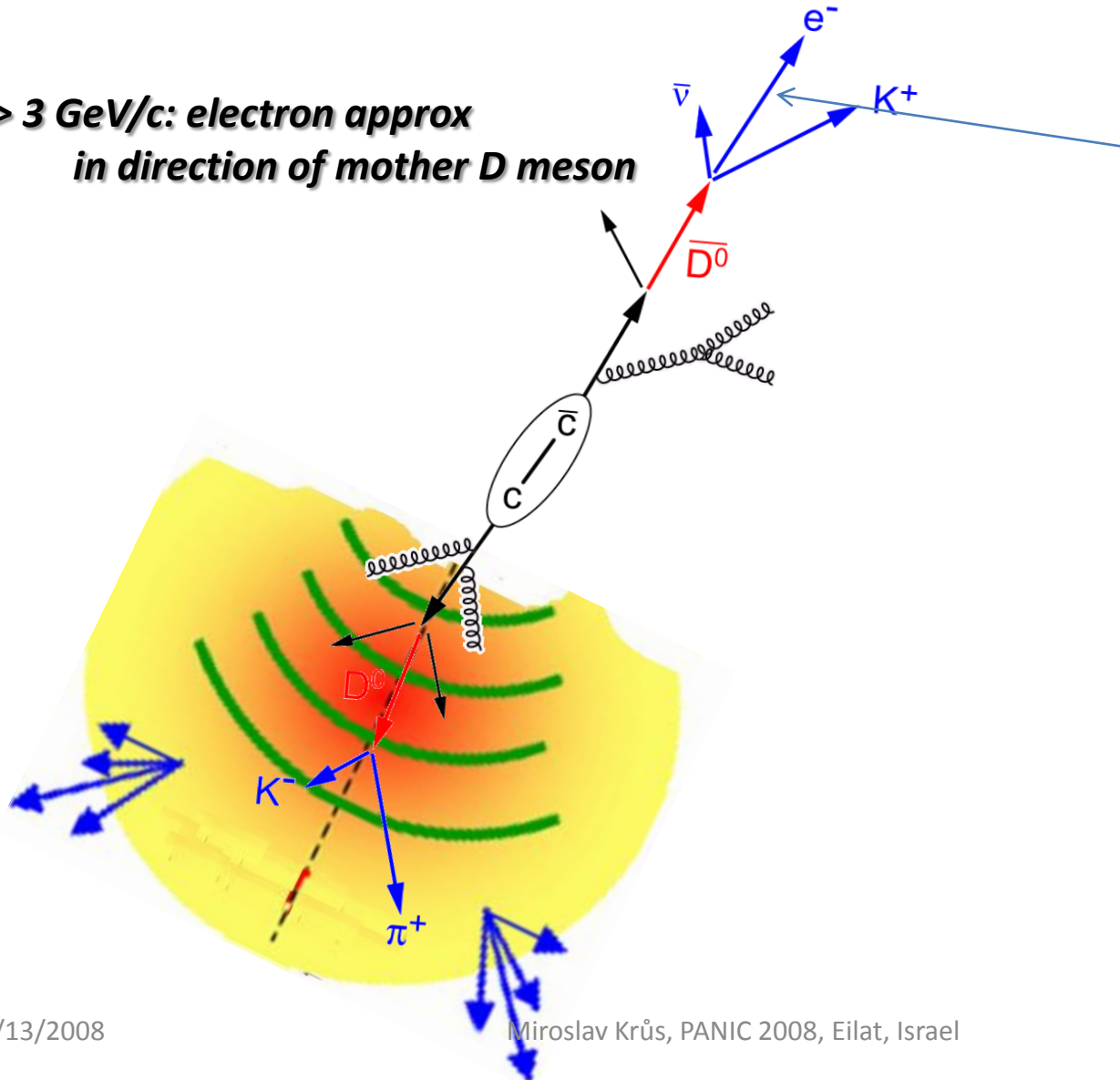
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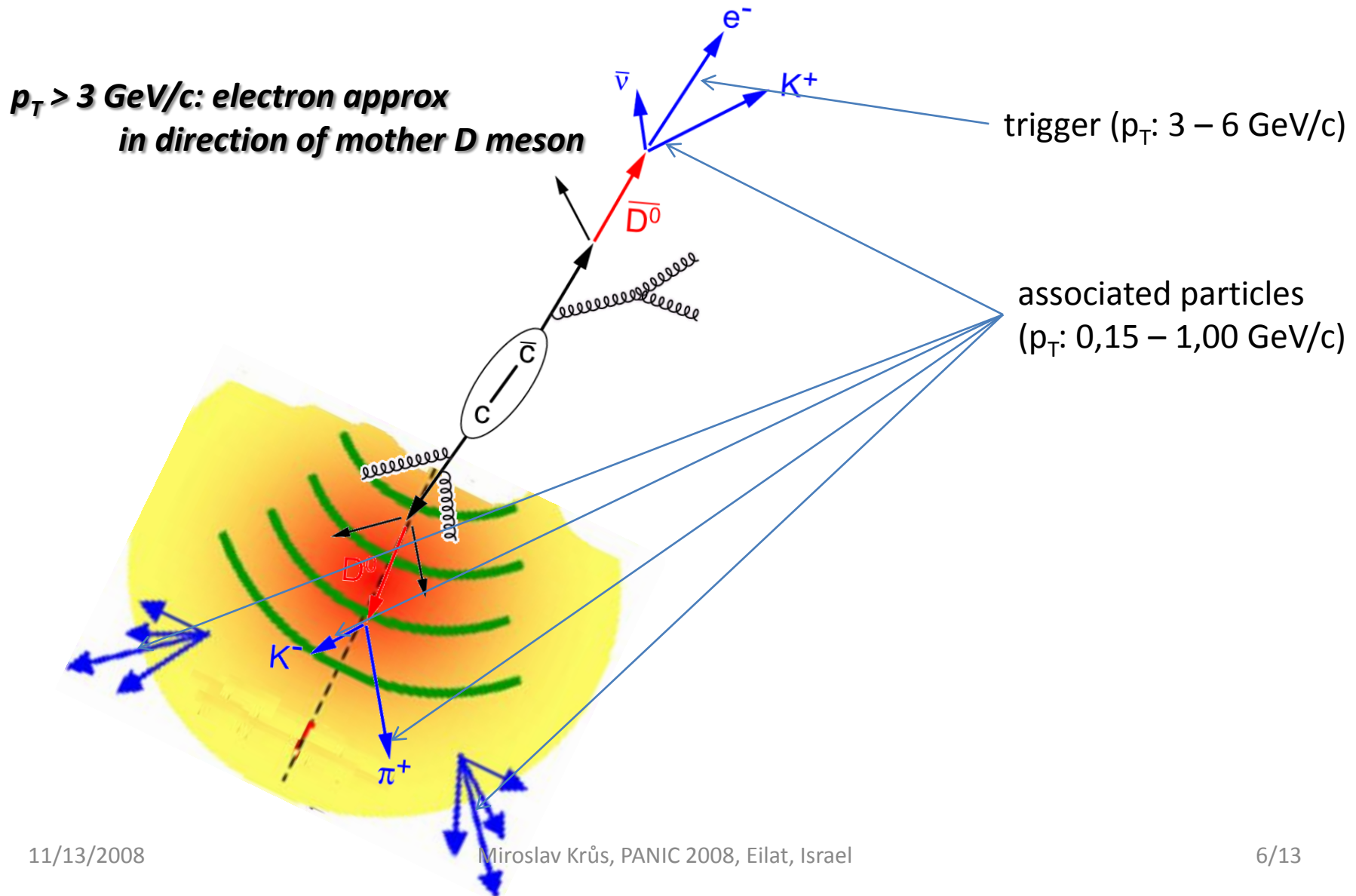
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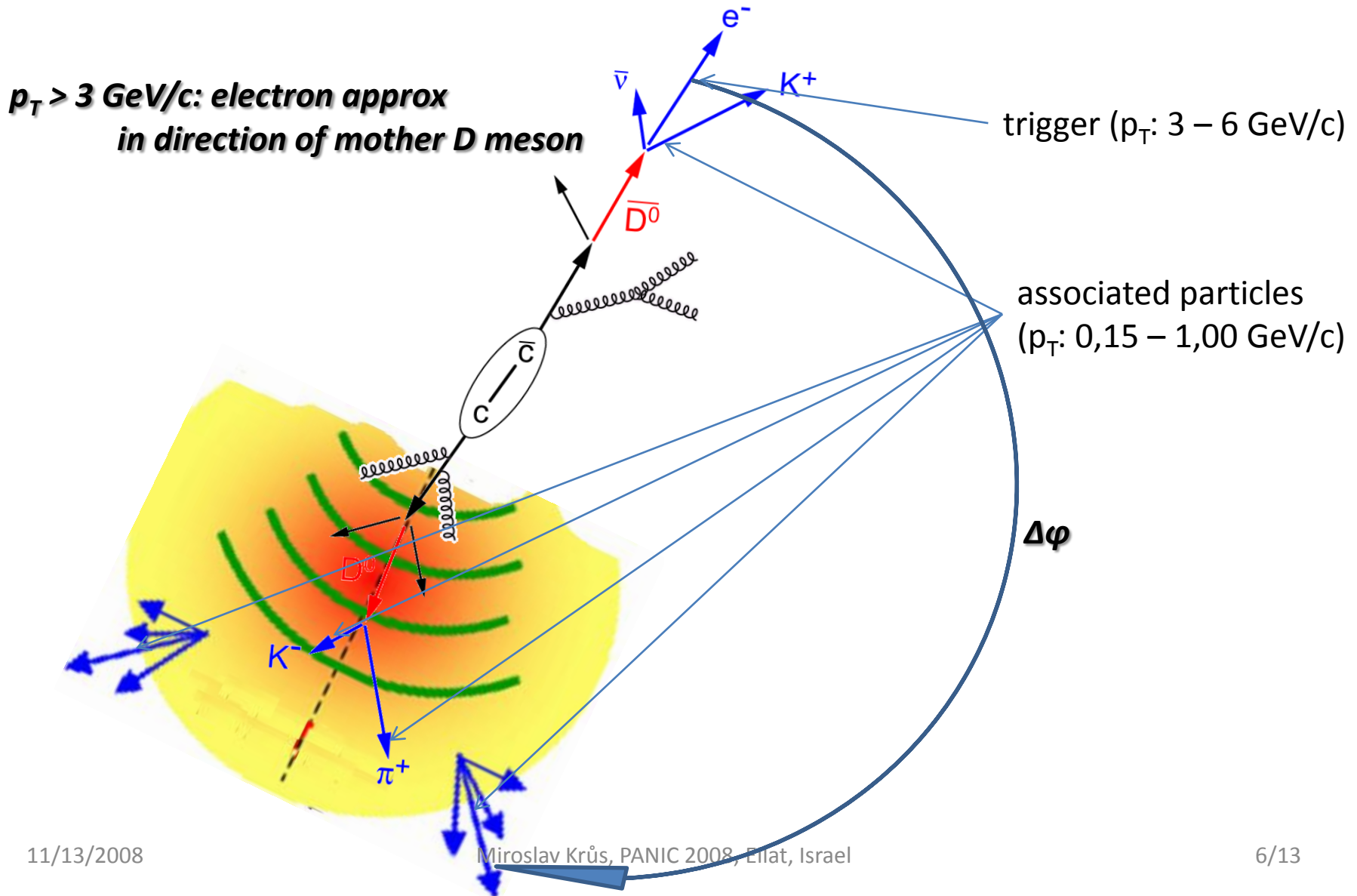
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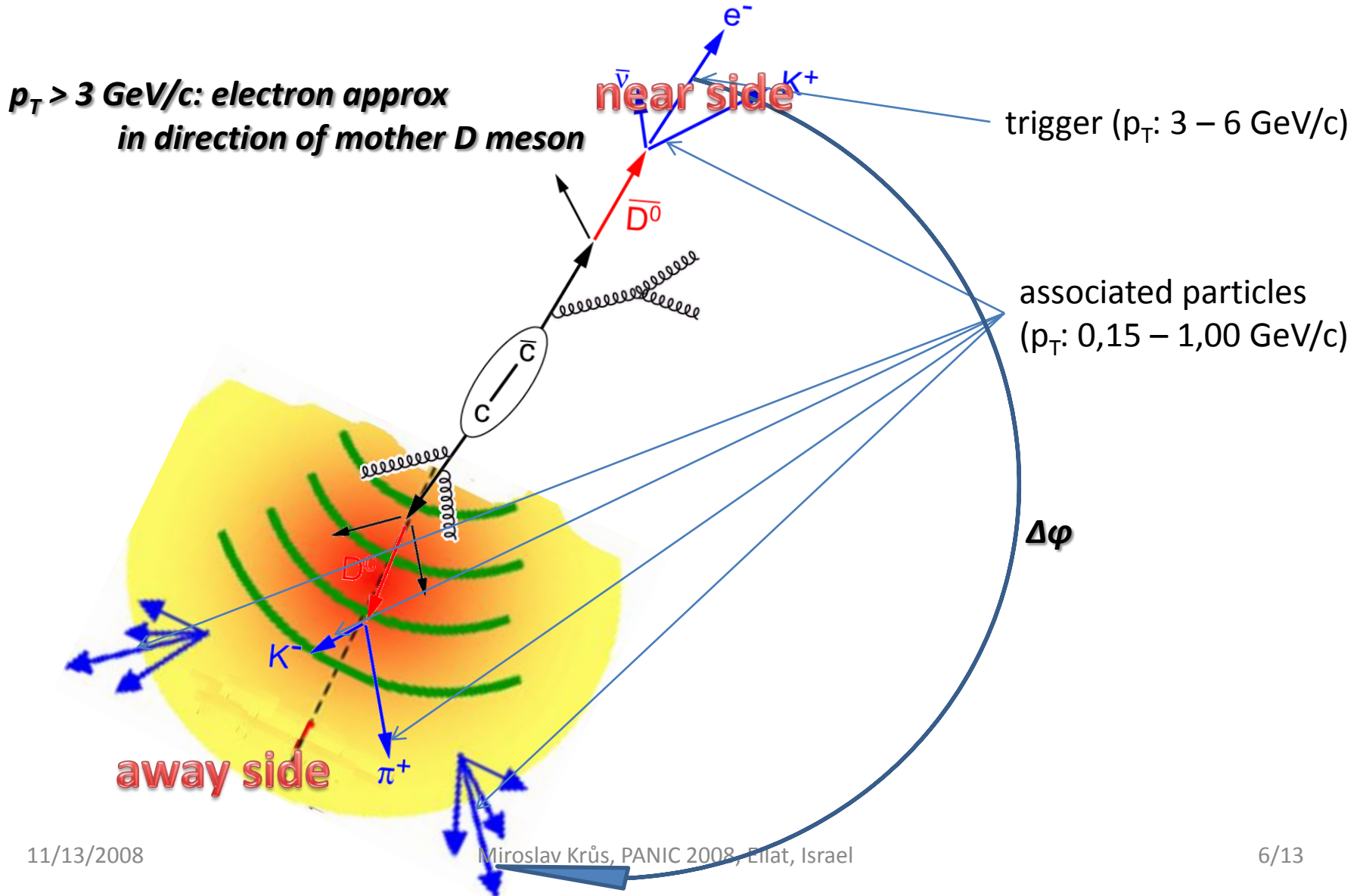
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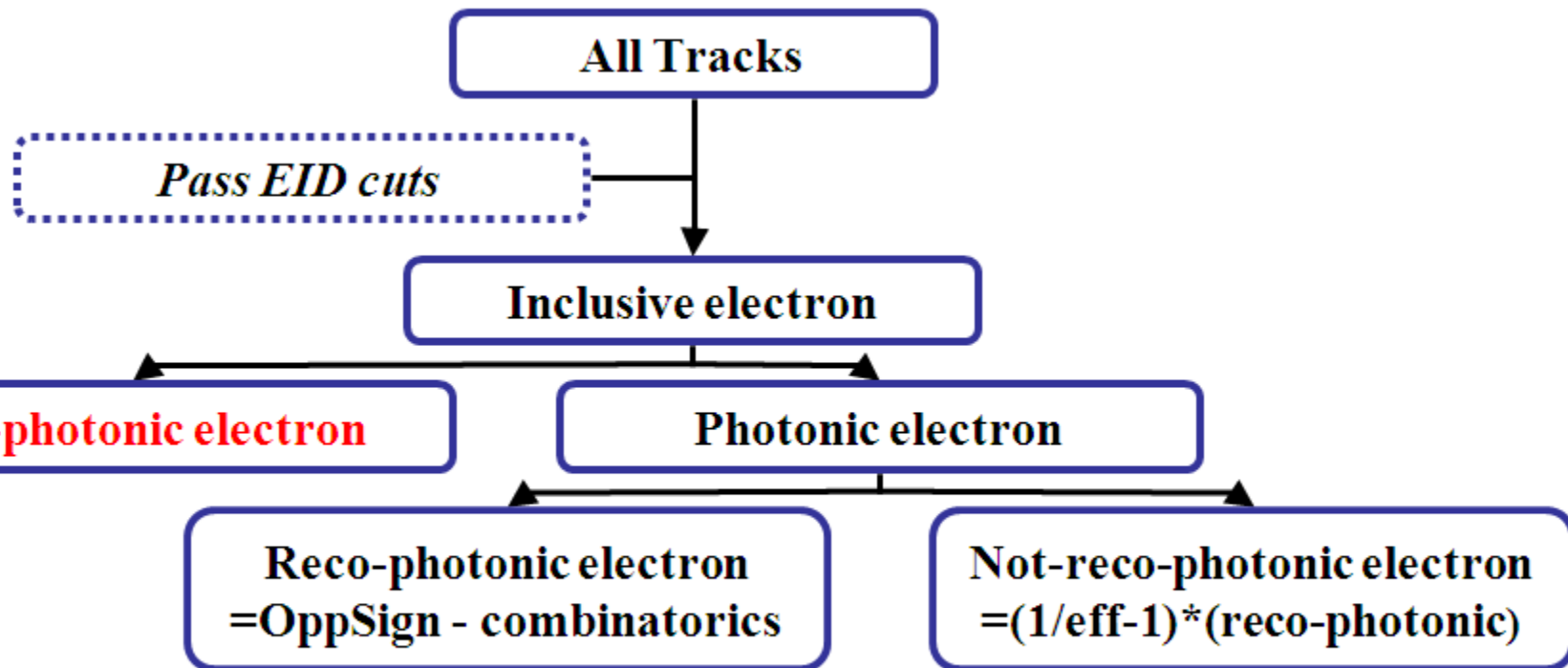
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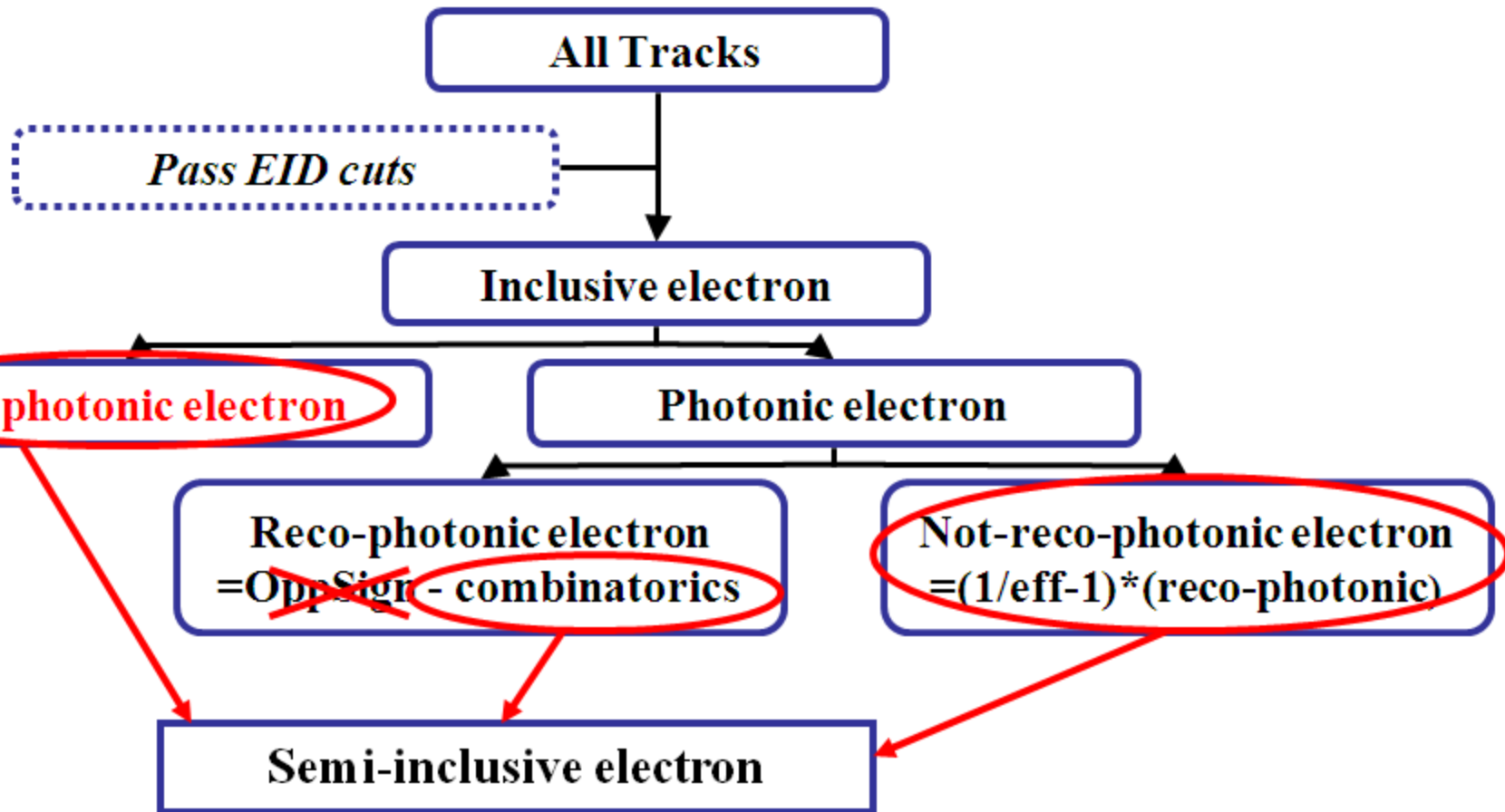
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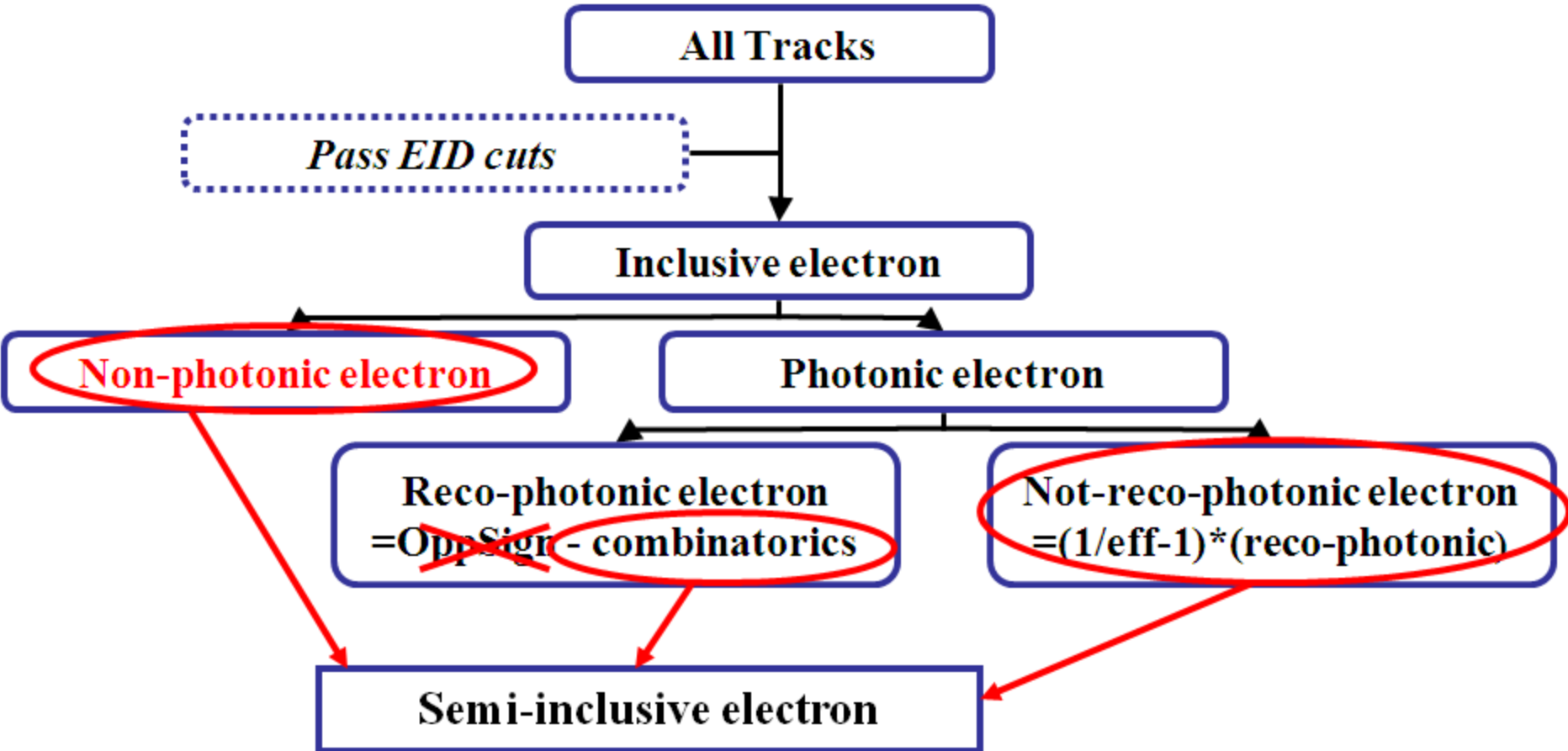


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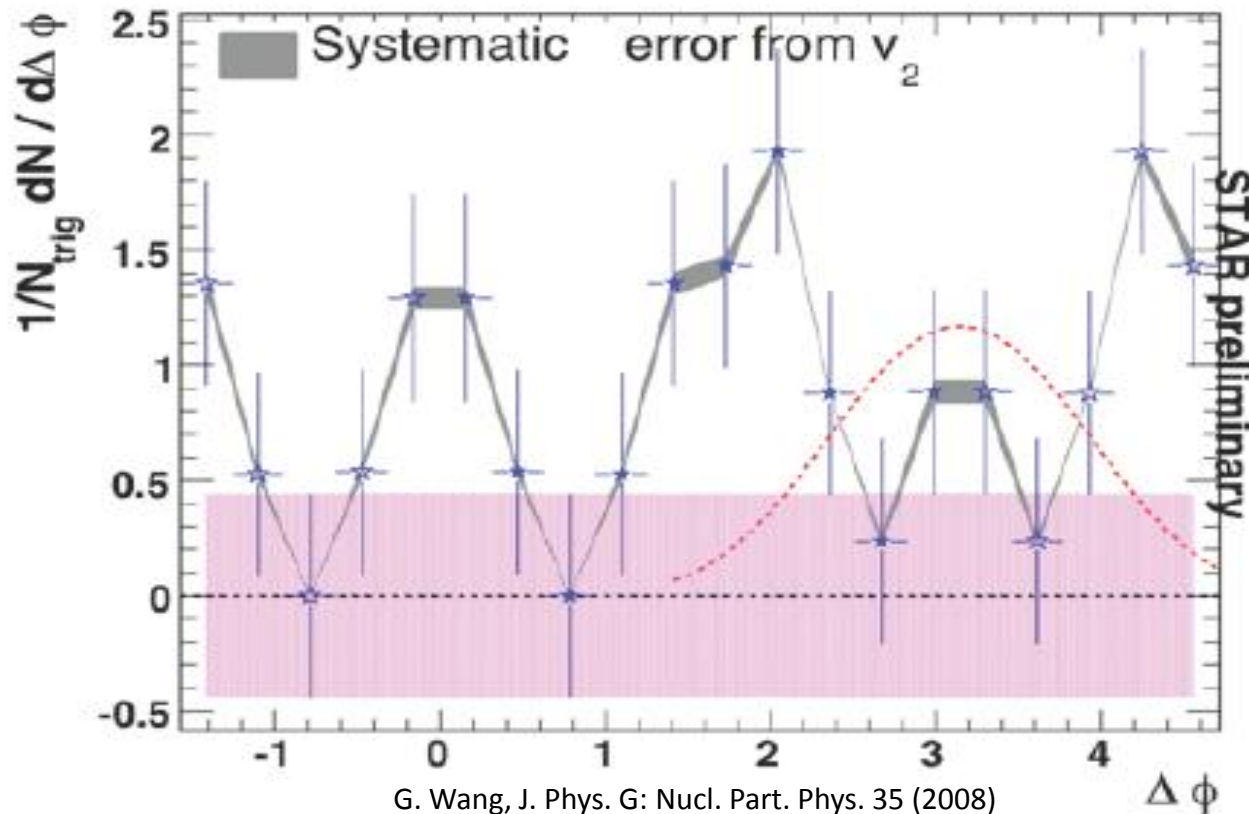


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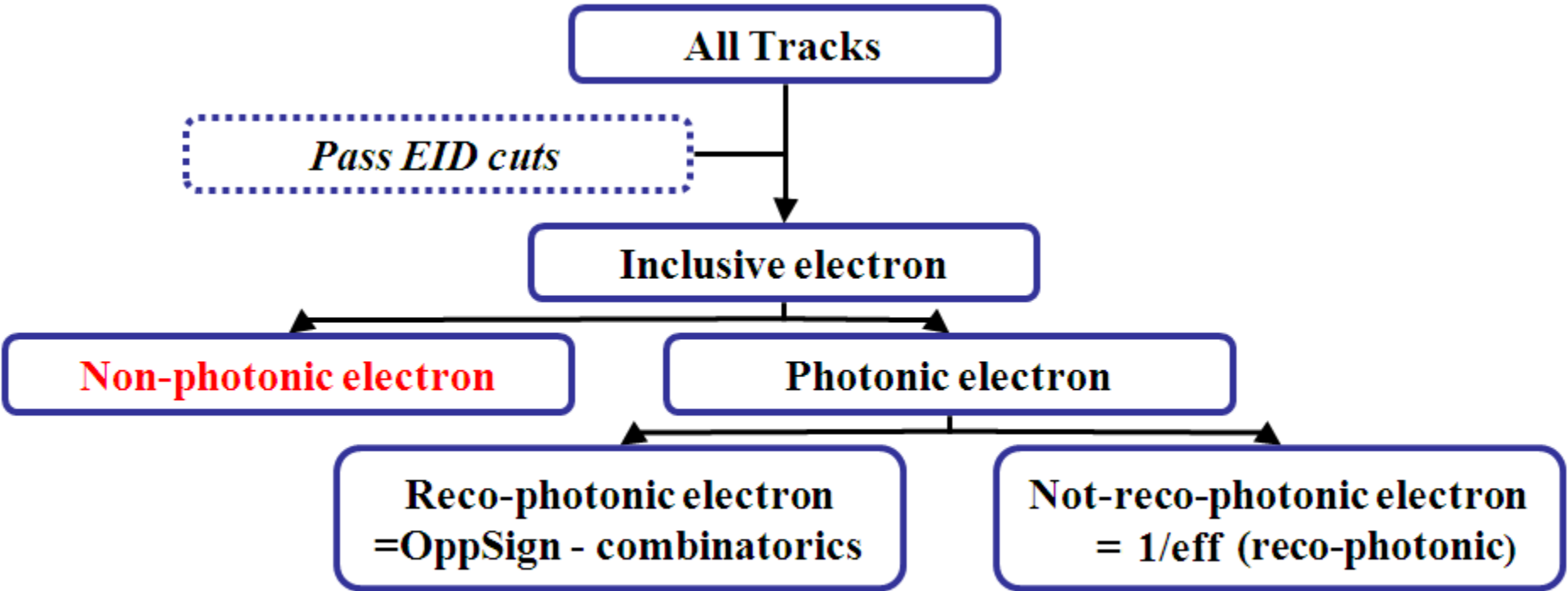
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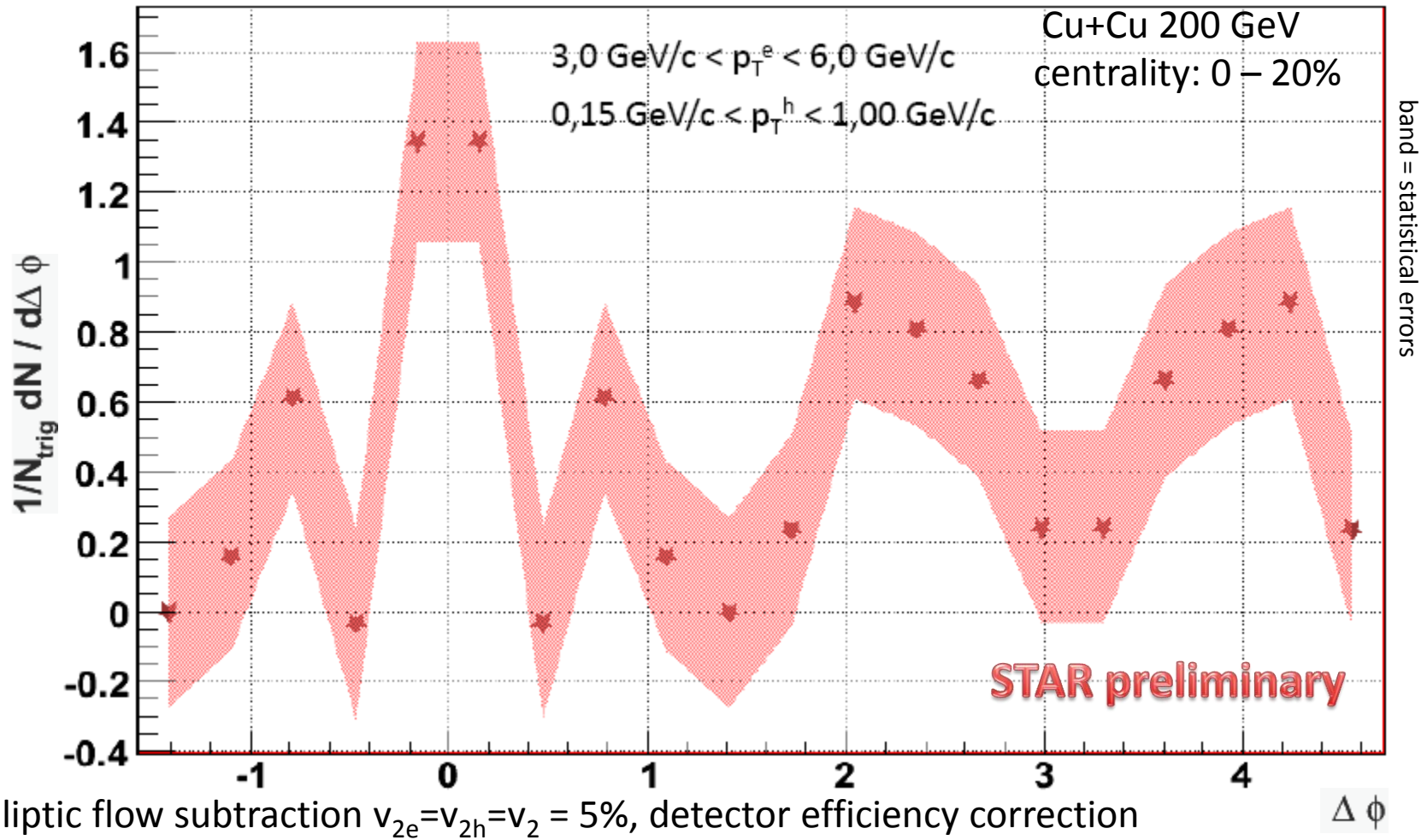
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→ Photonic sample included in Inclusive sample → correlated quantities and errors

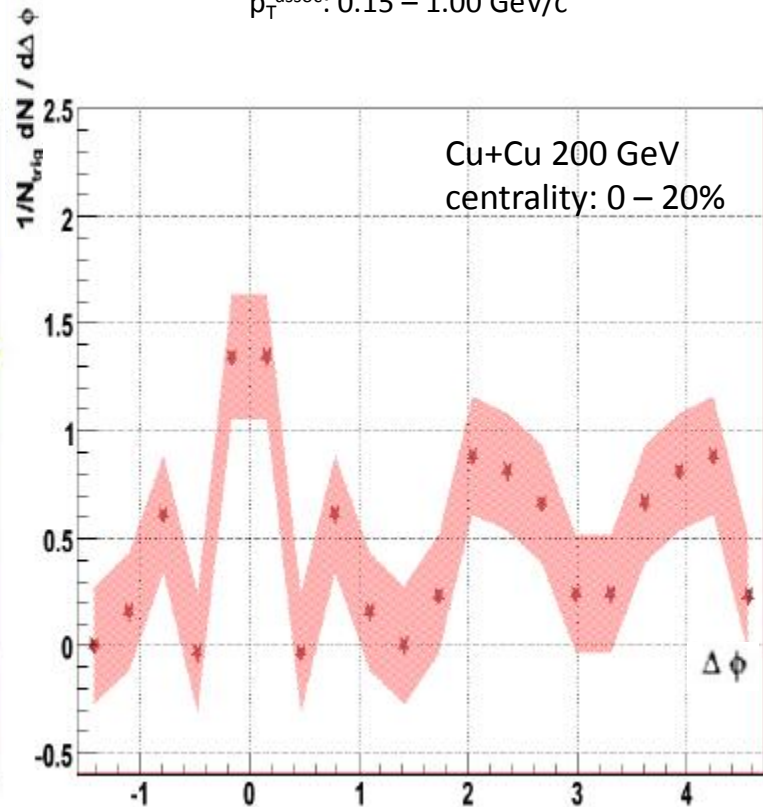
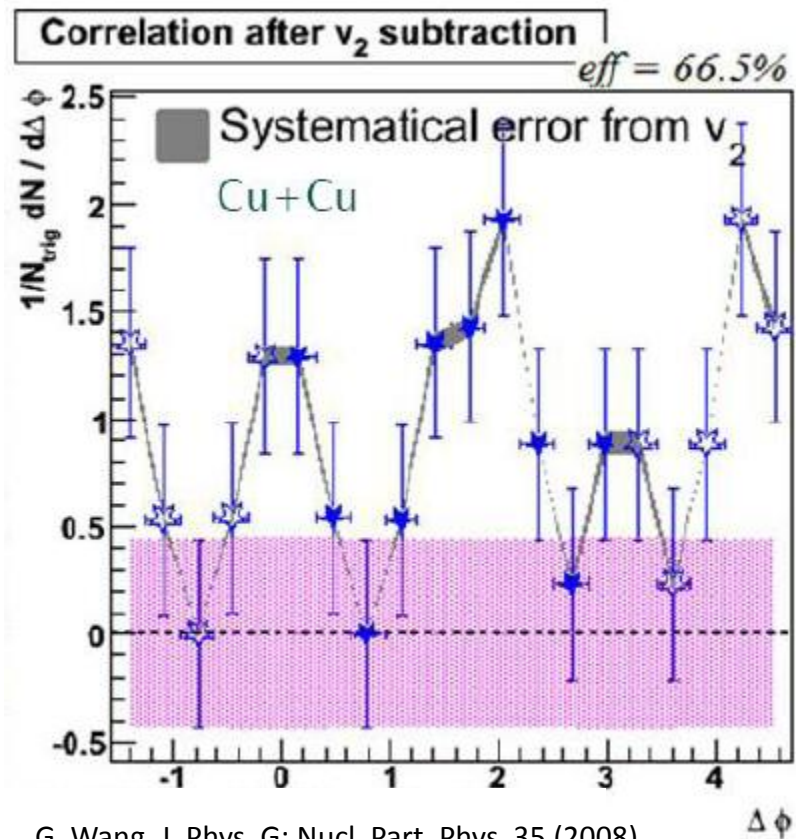
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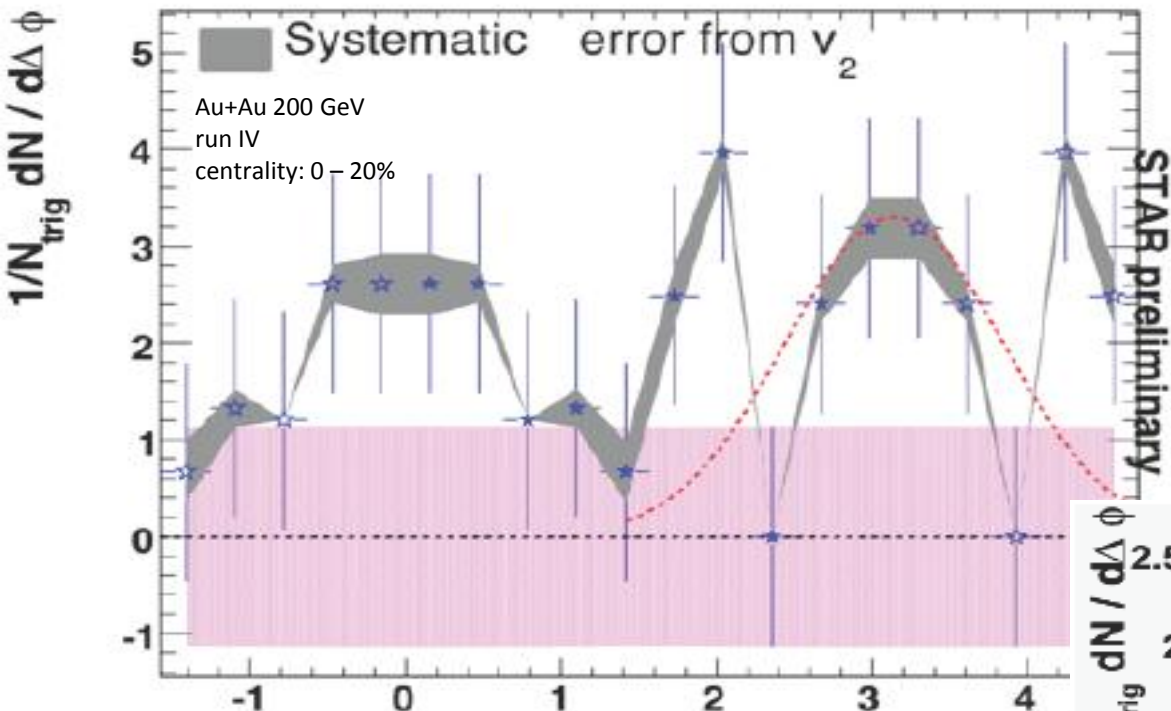
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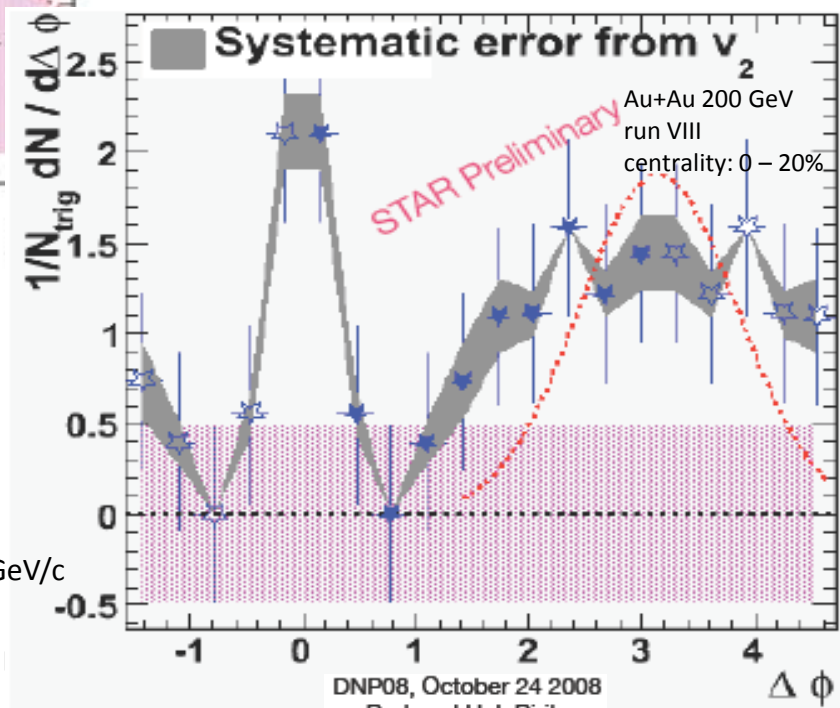


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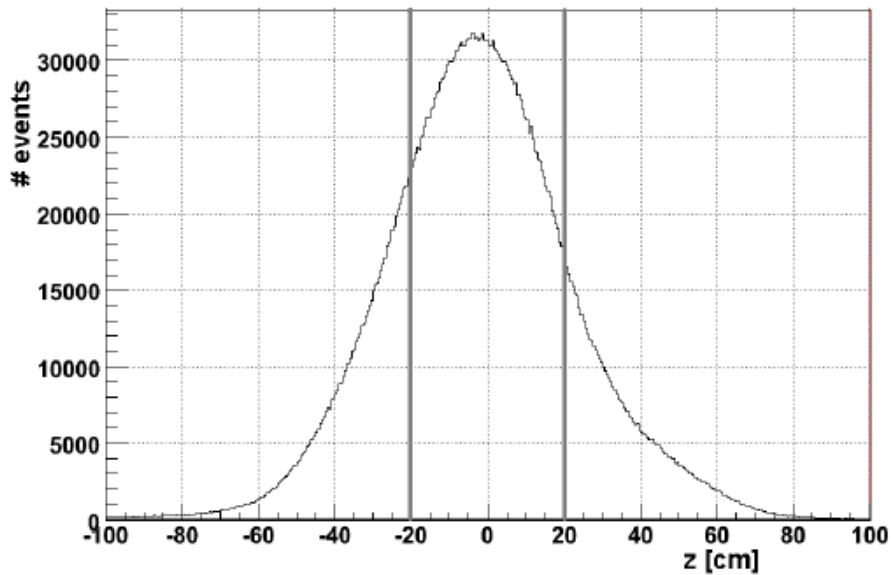
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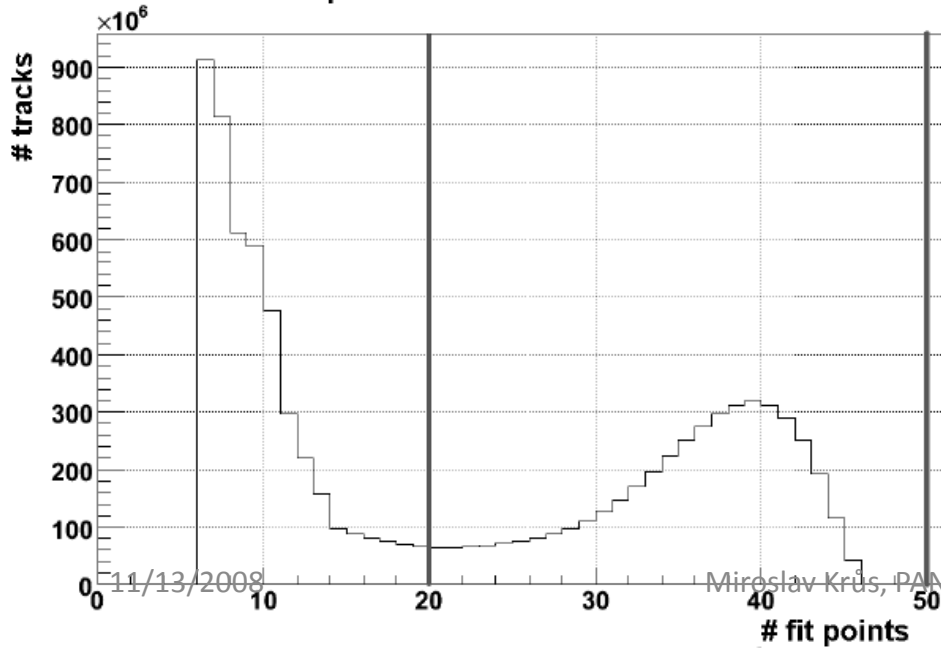


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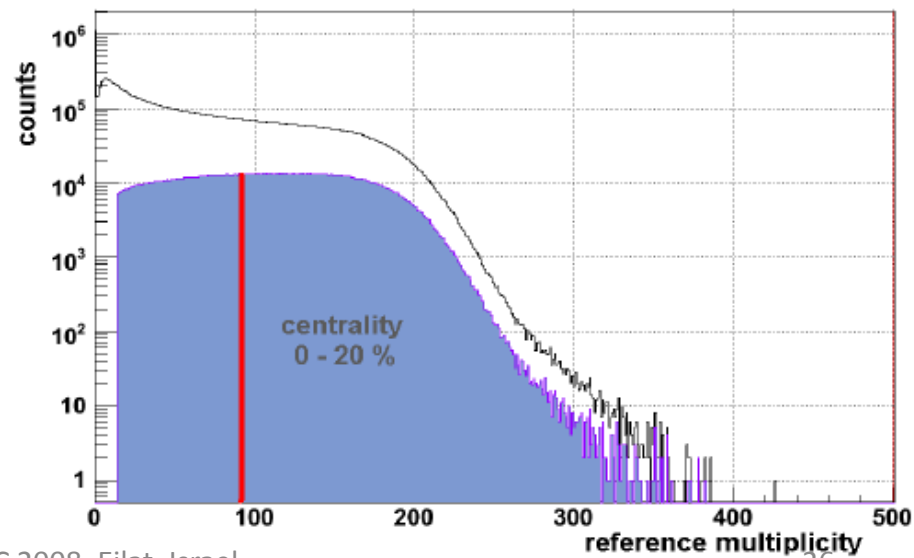
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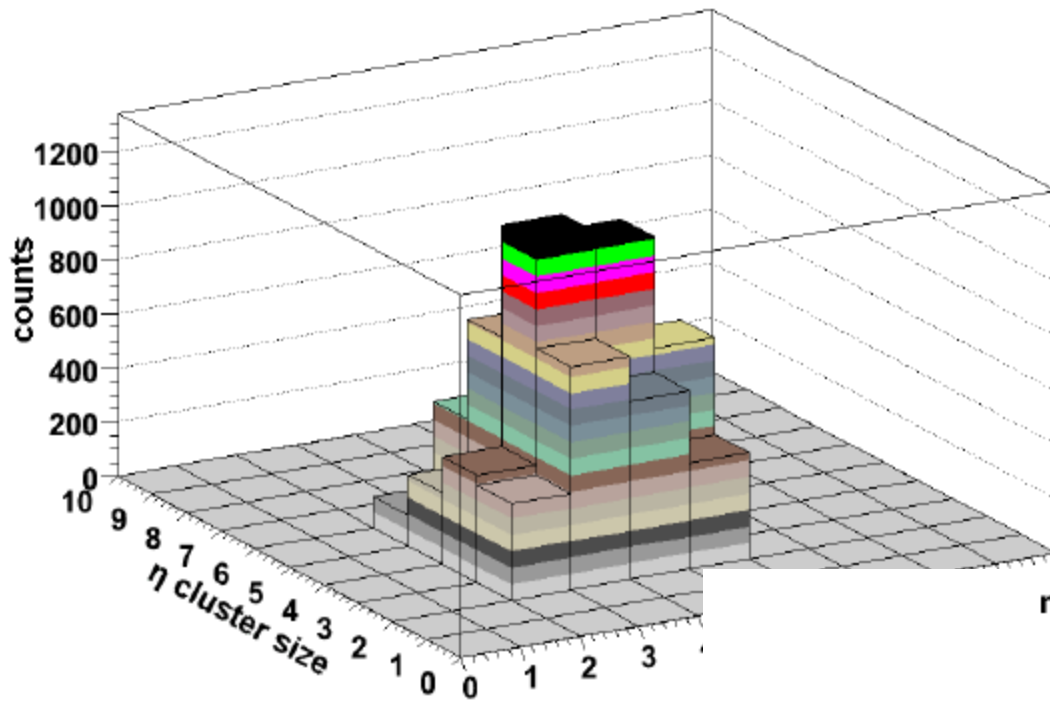
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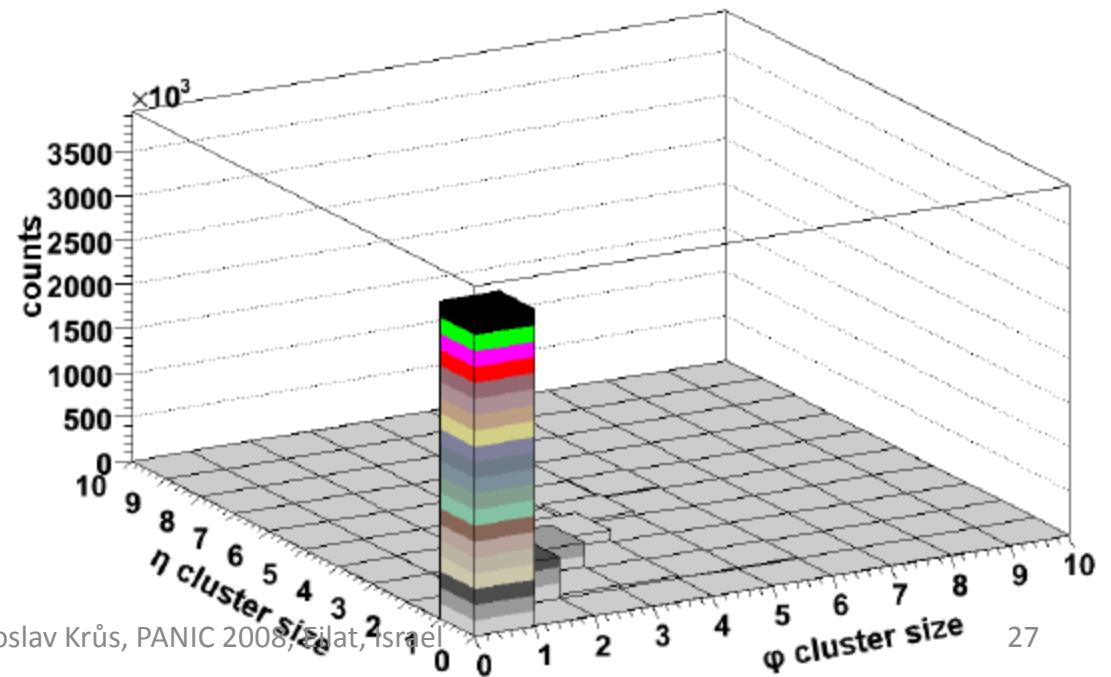
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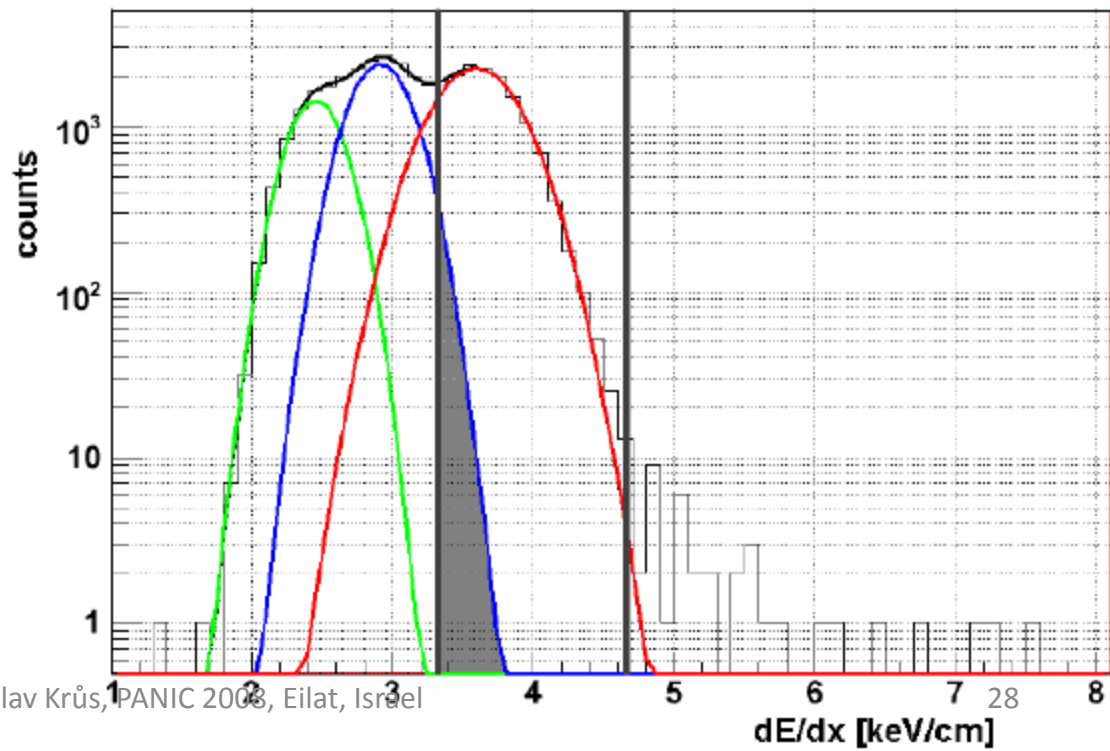
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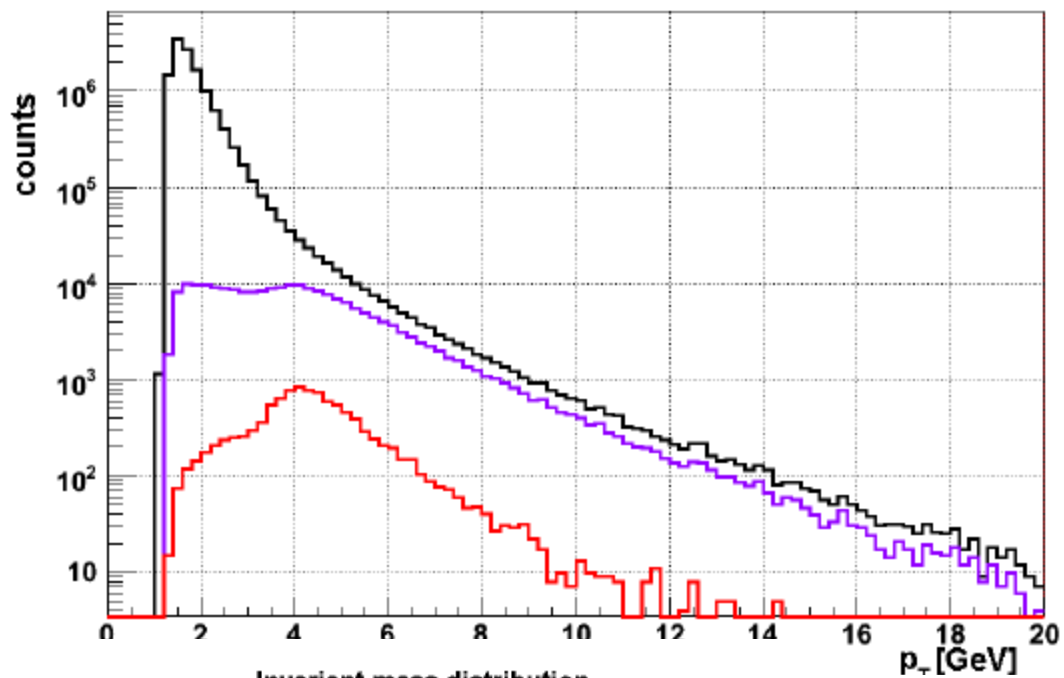
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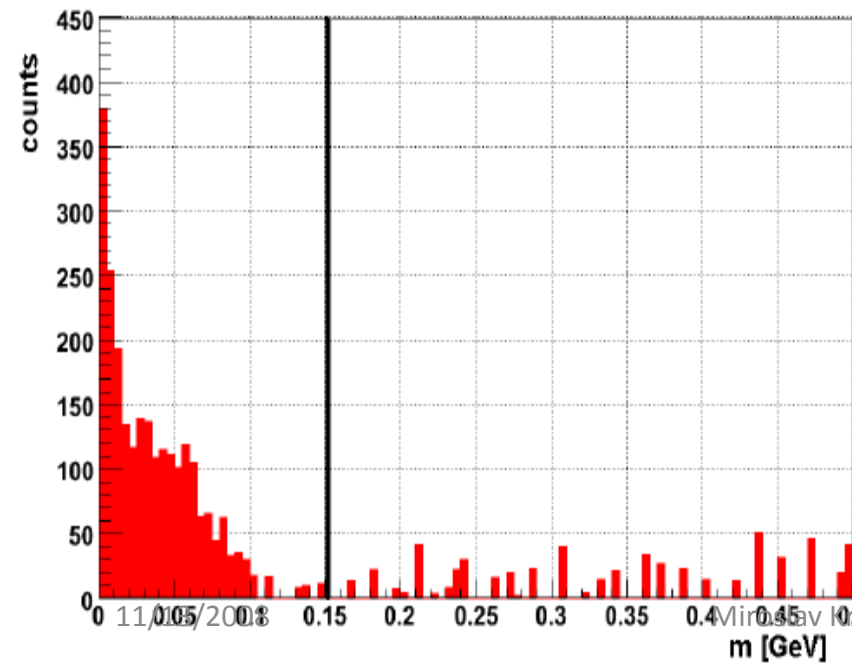
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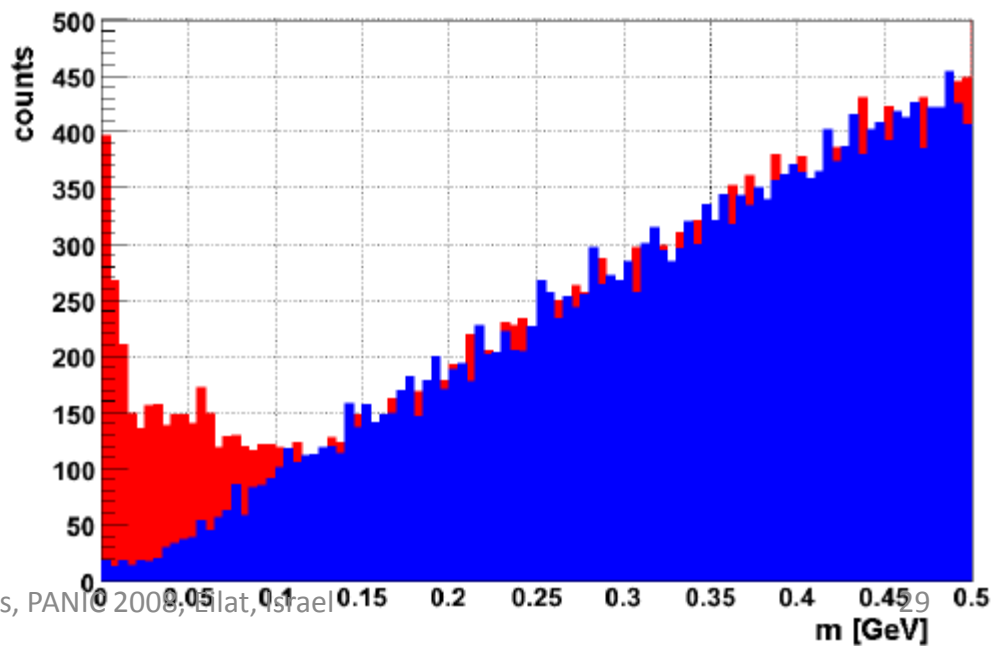
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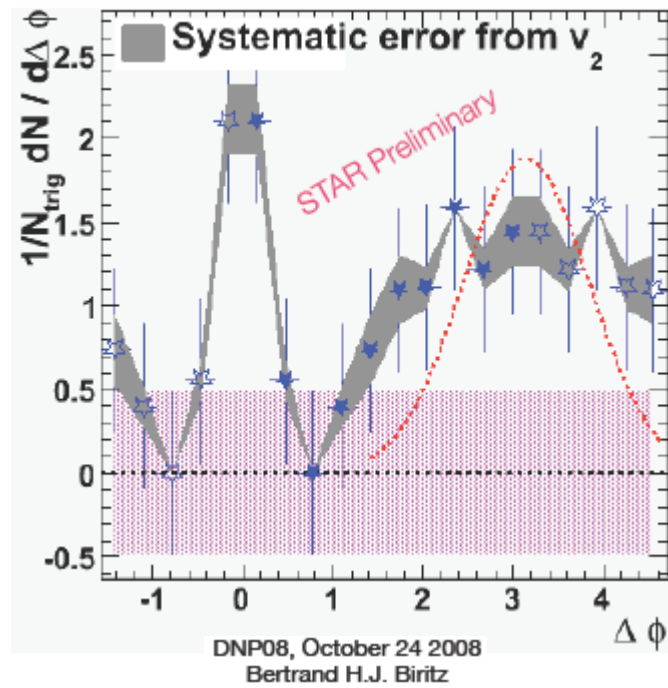


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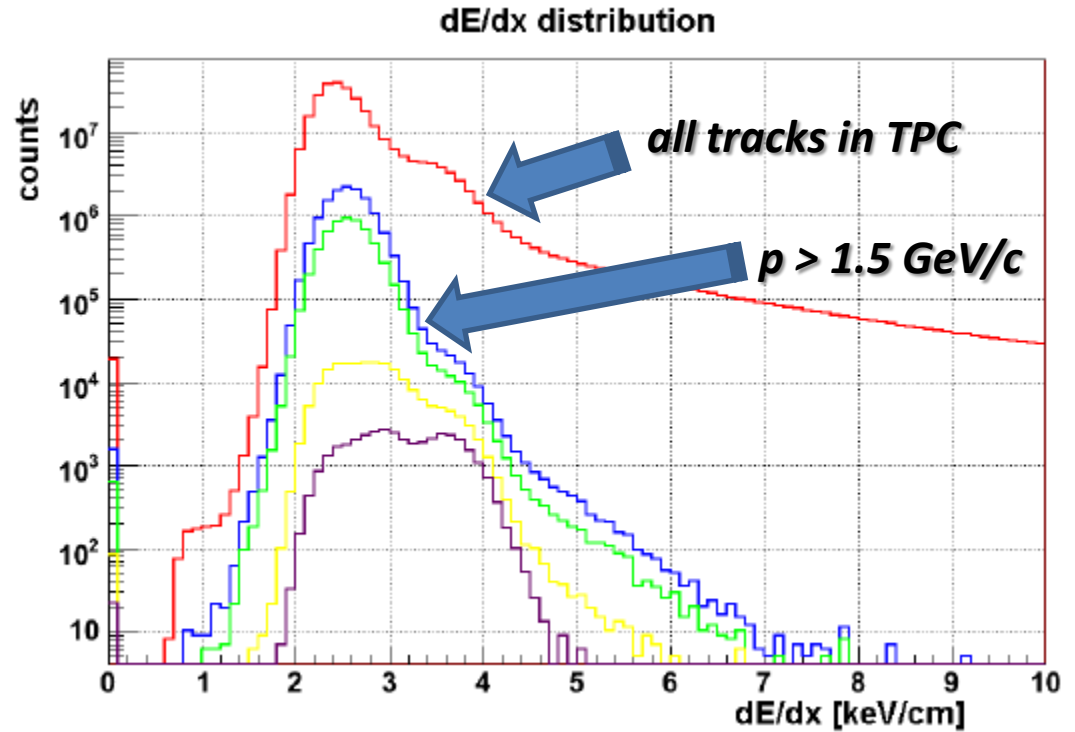
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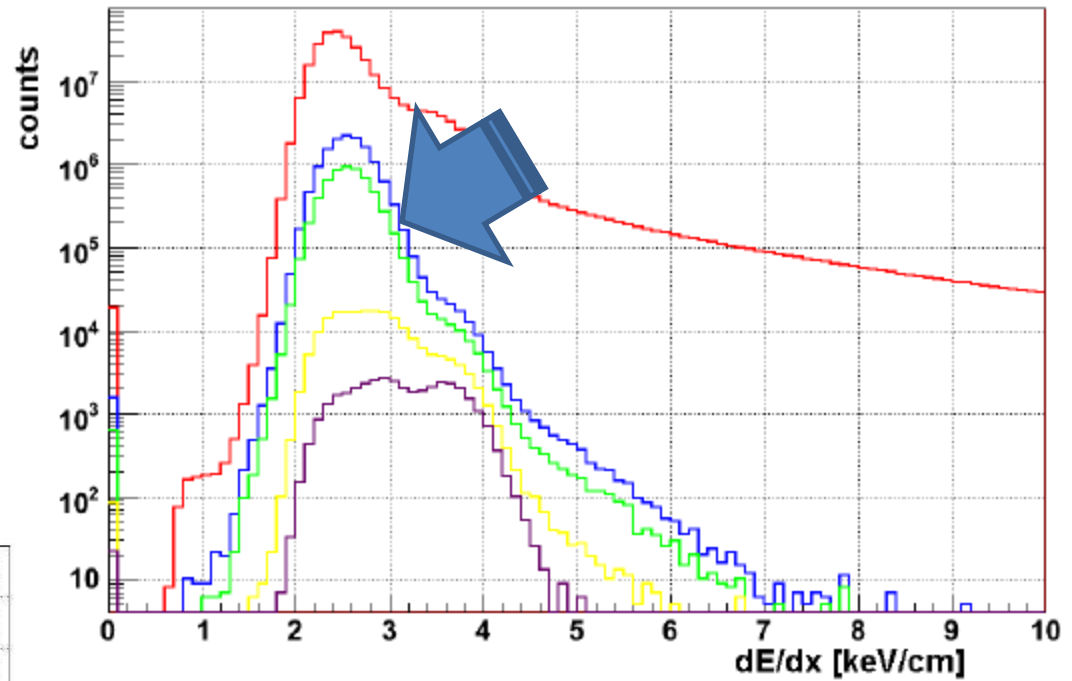
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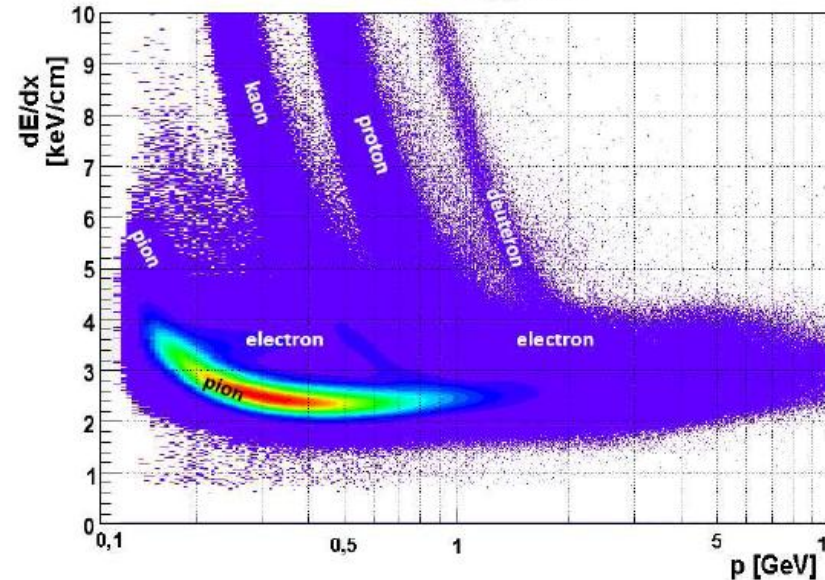
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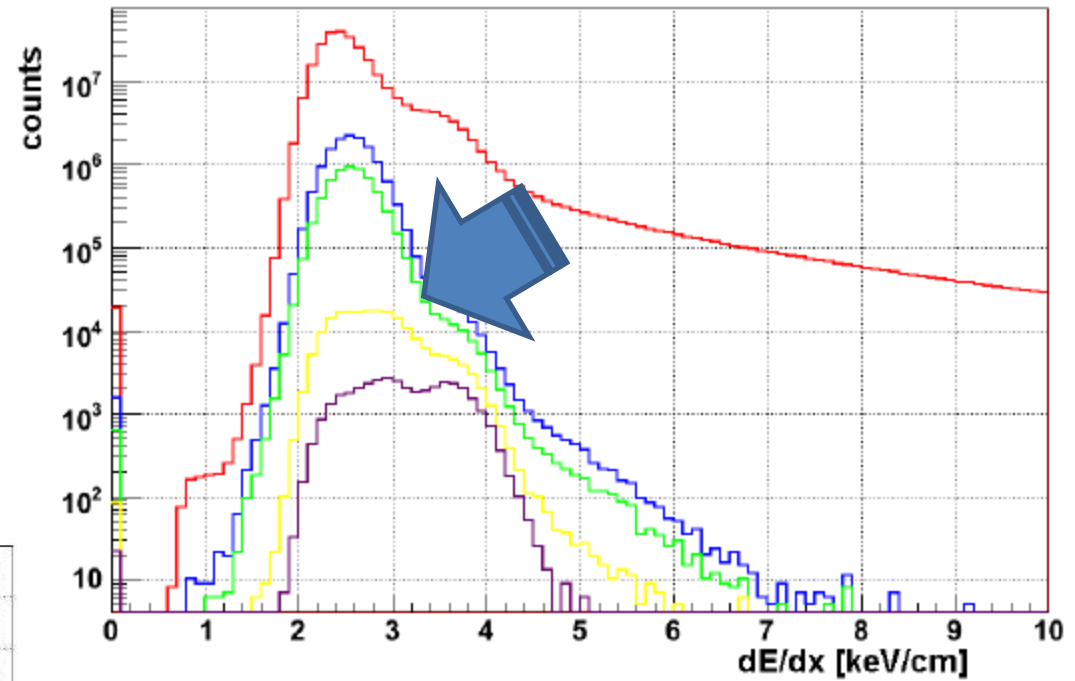


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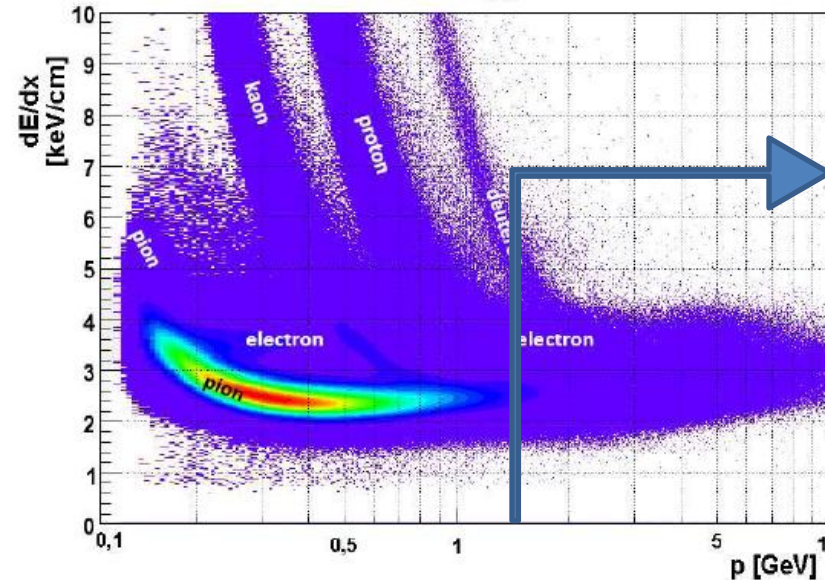
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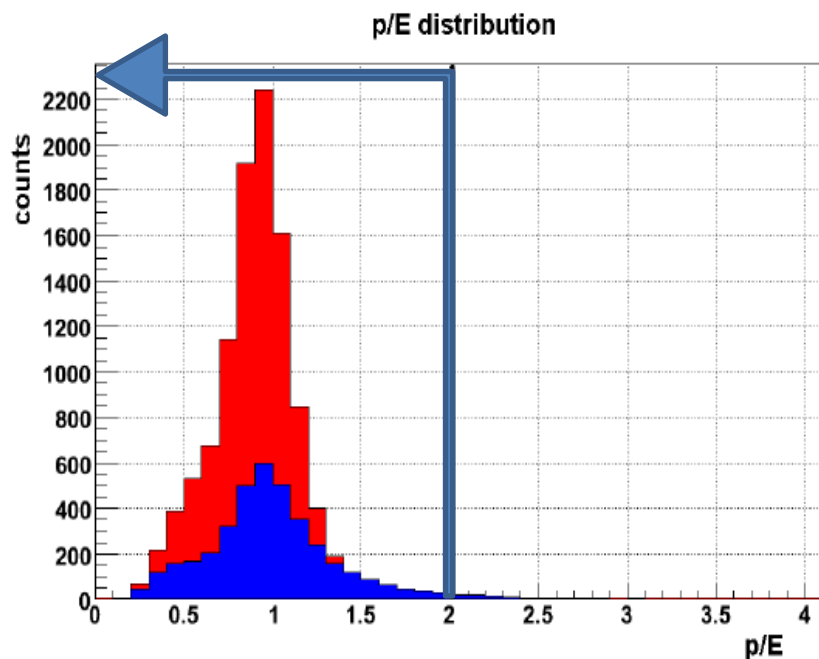
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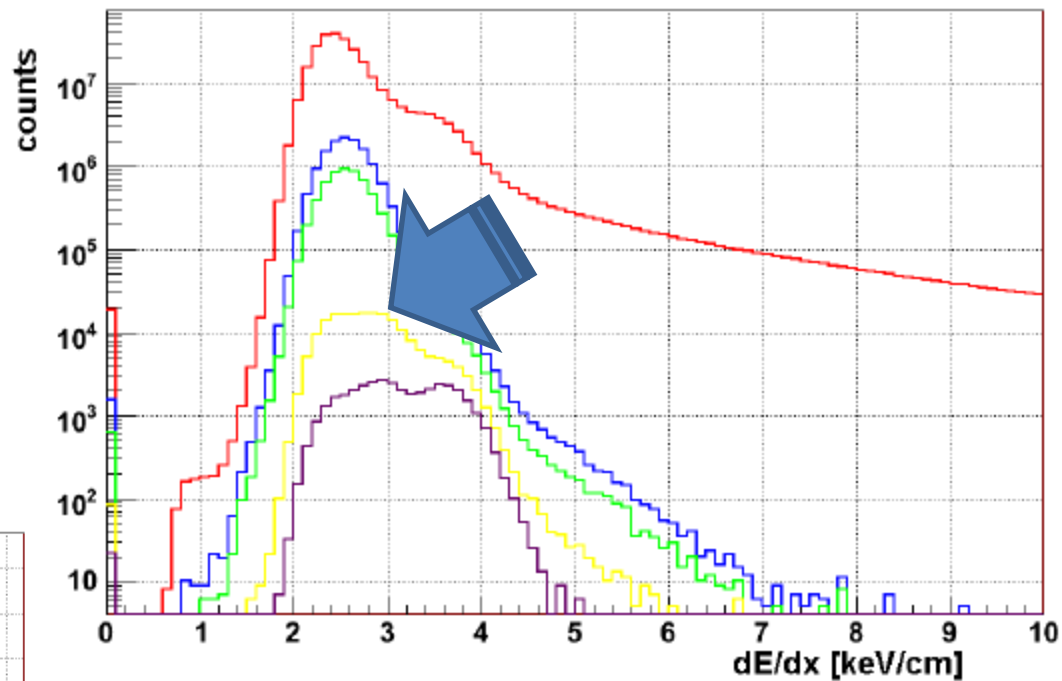
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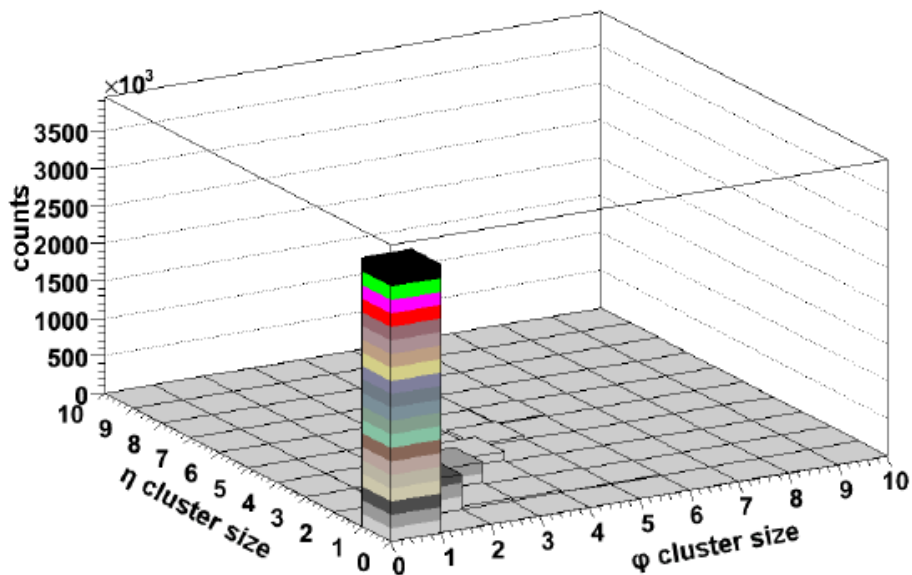
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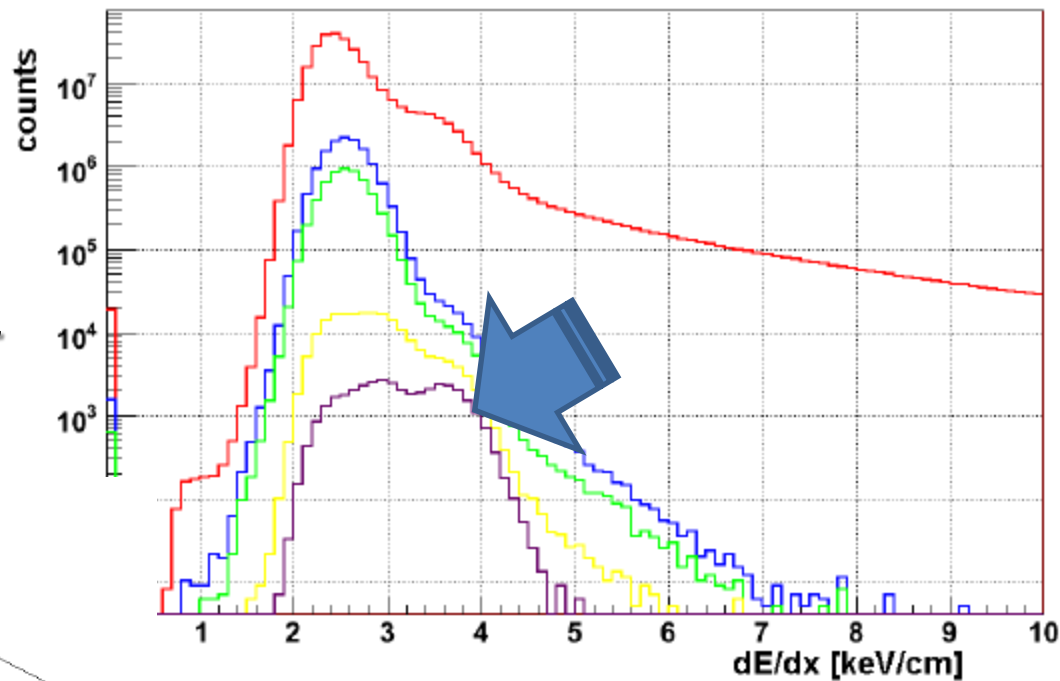
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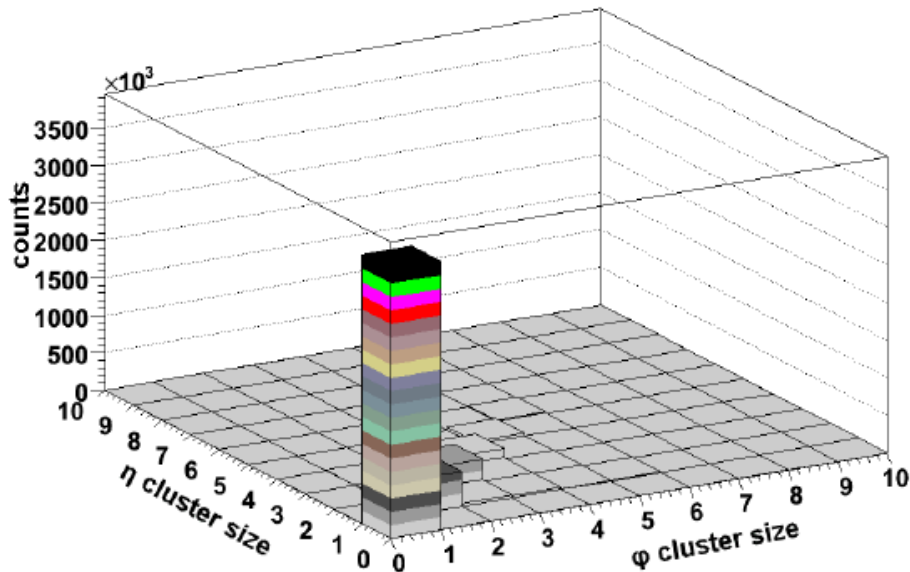
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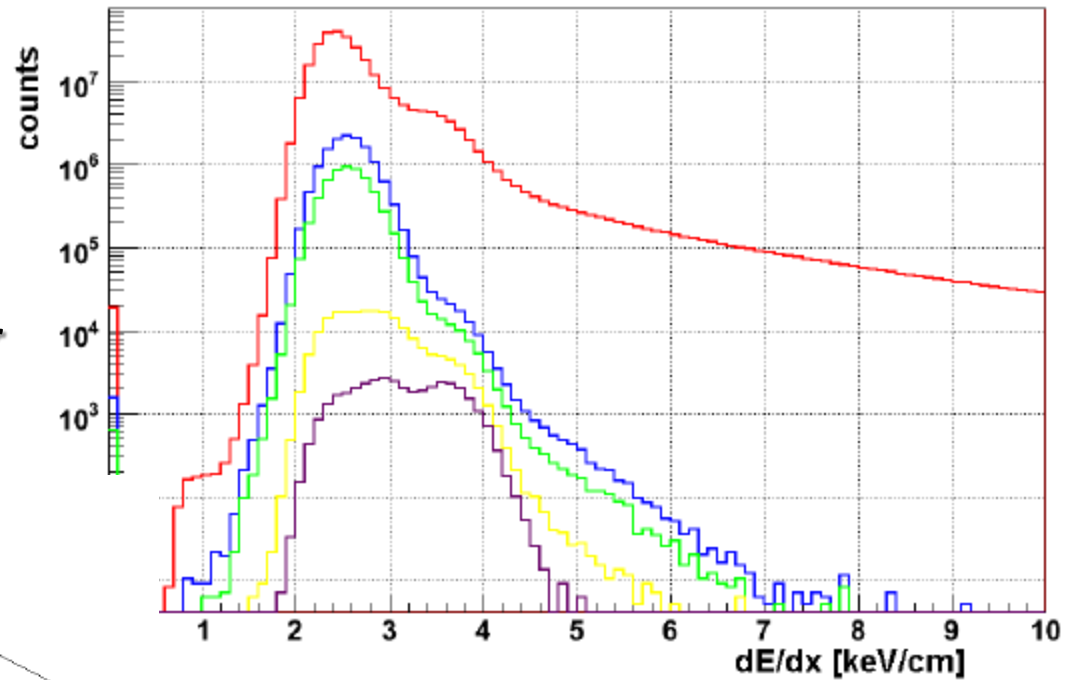
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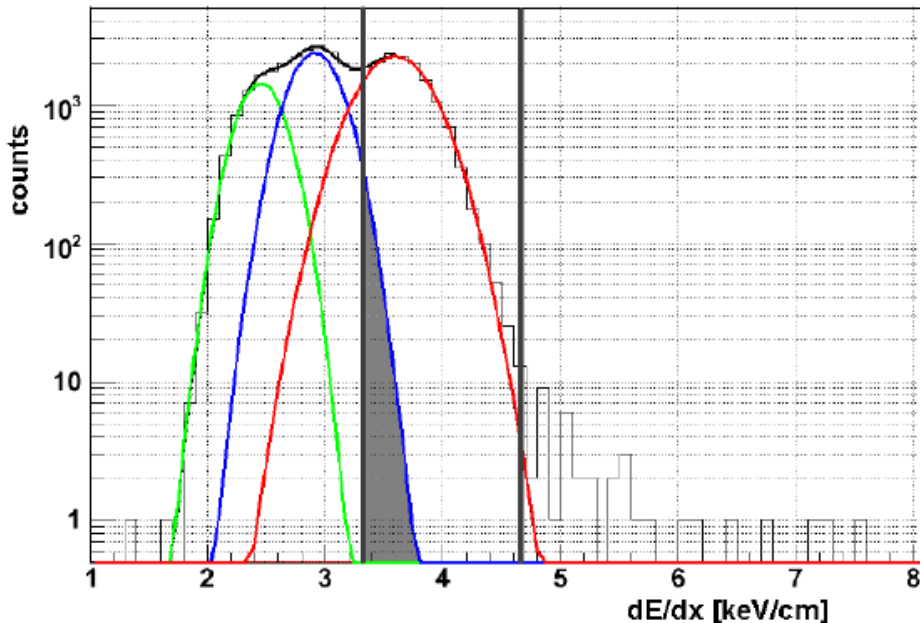
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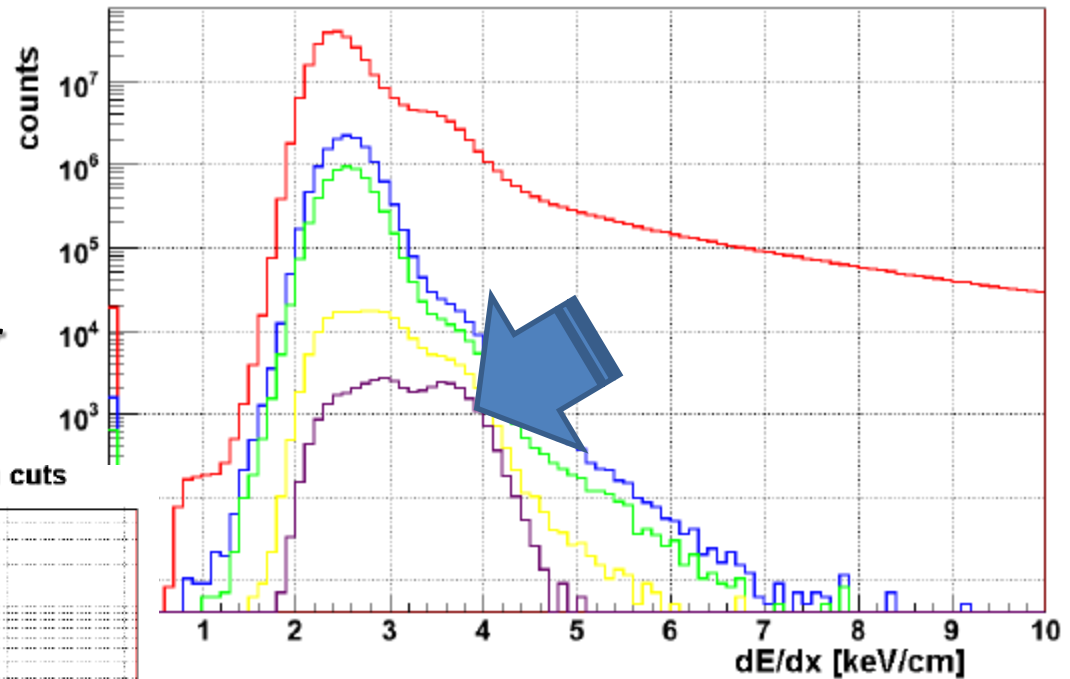
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primary vertex	-20 cm – + 20 cm
reference multiplicity	> 14 particles
# of fit points in TPC	20 – 50
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pseudorapidity	-0,7 – +0,7
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