



EMISSION SHAPE EVOLUTION IN THE MONTE CARLO MODELS OF HEAVY-ION COLLISIONS

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CORRELATION FUNCTIONS IN FEMTOSCOPY

- Correlation function for bosons with the invariant momentum distributions N_1, N_2 :
↪ in this analysis: $\pi^+\pi^+$ and $\pi^-\pi^-$

$$C_2(p_1, p_2) = \frac{N_2(p_1, p_2)}{N_1(p_1)N_2(p_2)} \Rightarrow C_2(q, K) \approx 1 + \left| \frac{\tilde{S}(q, K)}{\tilde{S}(0, K)} \right|^2,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} N_2(p_1, p_2) &= \int S(x_2, p_2) |\Psi_2(x_1, x_2)|^2 d^4x_2 d^4x_1, \\ \tilde{S} &= \int S(x, k) e^{iqx} d^4x, \\ K &= \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2} \text{ (or } p_1, p_2), \\ q &= k_1 - k_2. \end{aligned}$$

- Event shape:** $D(r, K) = \int S(x_1, K) S(x_2, K) d^4\rho = \int S\left(\rho + \frac{r}{2}, K\right) S\left(\rho - \frac{r}{2}, K\right) d^4\rho$
 with average $\rho = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}$ and relative $r = x_1 - x_2$
- With this, $C(q, K) = 1 + \int D(r, K) e^{-iqr} d^4r$

THE LÉVY-TYPE SOURCE FUNCTION

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- Lévy-stable distribution can be assumed and tested for the source function [Csörgő, Hegyi, Zajc *Eur. Phys. J. C* 36 (2004)], [Csörgő et al. *AIP Conf. Proc.* 828 (2006)]:

$$S := L(\mathbf{x}, \alpha, R),$$

where

$$L = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int d^3q e^{iqr} e^{-\frac{1}{2}|qR|^\alpha}$$

- Thus, the 2-particle correlation function

$$C_2(|k|) = 1 + \lambda e^{-(2R|k|)^\alpha},$$
 (note: $|k| = \frac{|q|}{2}$)

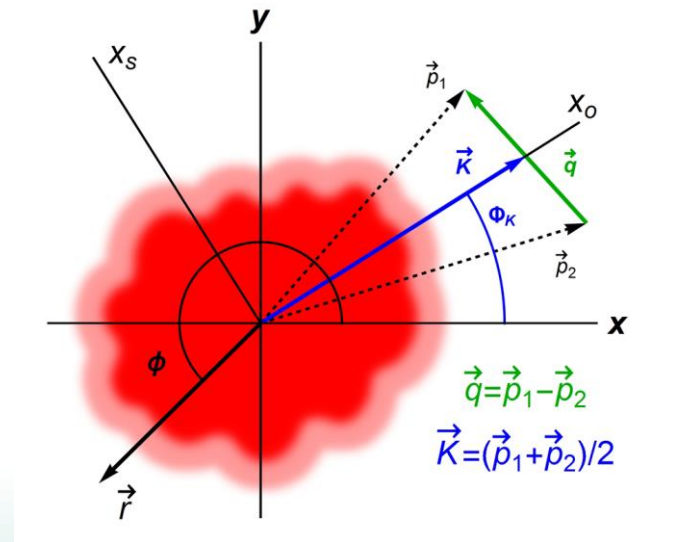
- The spatial distribution

$$D(\mathbf{r}) = L(\mathbf{r}, \alpha, 2^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}R)$$

- In LCMS frame already K -independent:

$$D(r_{LCMS}) = \int d\Omega_{LCMS} dt D(\mathbf{r}_{LCMS})$$

(note: $\mathbf{r}_{LCMS}$ is the pair-separation vector in the lab frame)

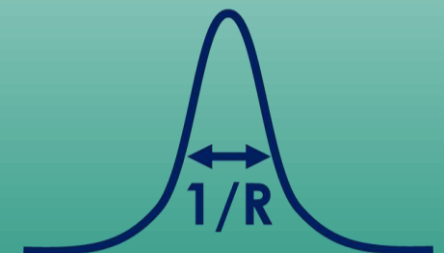


[Plumberg & Heinz, *Phys. Rev. C* 98, 034910]

Source



Correlation



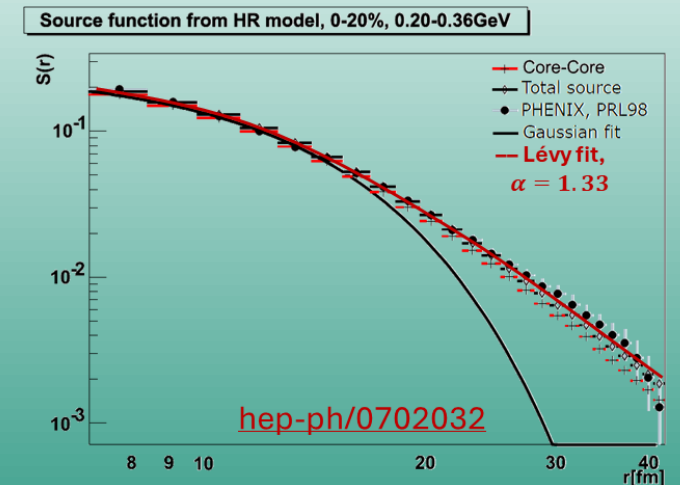
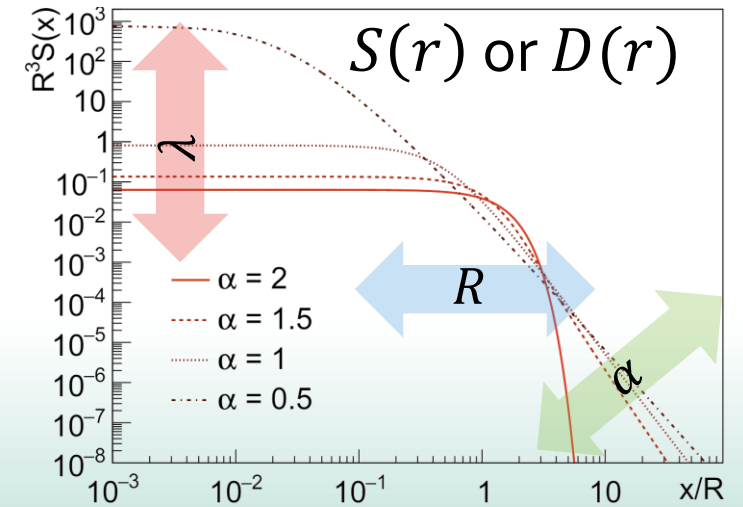
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GAUSSIAN OR LÉVY SOURCE?

- Either assumption needs to be *tested*
- Gaussian: corresponds to $\alpha = 2$
- Experimental results in 1D: indicate non-Gaussian ($\alpha \neq 2$) behaviour, Lévy distribution describes the data better. [Kincses, Nagy, Csanád *Communications Physics* vol. 8 (55)], [Pórfy *arXiv:2410.13975v2 [nucl-ex]* 22 Apr 2025].

...as it will also appear in the simulations (?)



MONTE CARLO EVENT GENERATORS USED IN THIS ANALYSIS

EPOS



- Monte Carlo tool for simulating high-energy scatterings
- uses traditional S-matrix theory and modern concepts of perturbative QCD and saturation

K. Werner: *Revealing a deep connection between factorization and saturation: New insight into modeling high-energy proton-proton and nucleus-nucleus scattering in the EPOS₄ framework*, Phys. Rev. C 108, 064903 – Published 6 December, 2023

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EPOS₄



In the latest version
EPOS₄:

- treatment of parton ladders completely redone
- saturation scales fixed by a prescription
- high precision applied in parallel scattering

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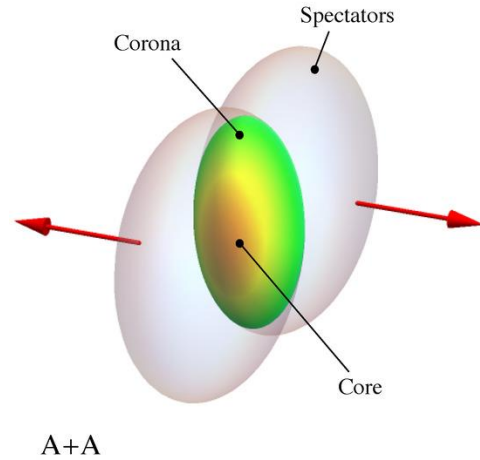
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EPOS₄



UrQMD

[no ambiguous acronym here]



QUICK COMPARISON

EPOS4 [K. Werner *Phys. Rev. C* 109, 014910 (2024)], [Ayala et al. *MDPI Particles* vol. 6. (1)]

- Gribov—Regge-based + hydrodynamics
- Core-corona approach, viscous hydrodynamics, jet quenching
- QGP phase included
- Not a transport model per se
- Slower (hydro evolution)

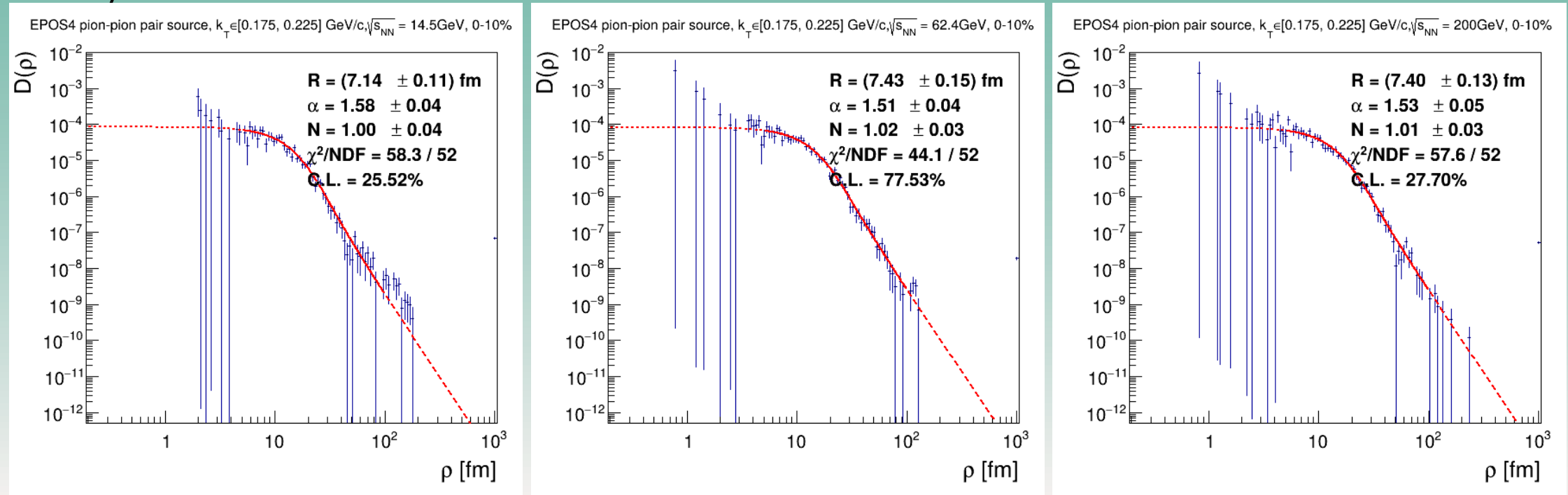
UrQMD [Petersen, Hannah et al. *arXiv:0805.0567* (2008).]

- Microscopic transport model
- Binary hadronic and string interactions
- No explicit QGP/hydro
- Excellent for studying hadronic transport and rescattering
- Faster (no hydro)

$D(\rho)$ ANALYSIS METHOD

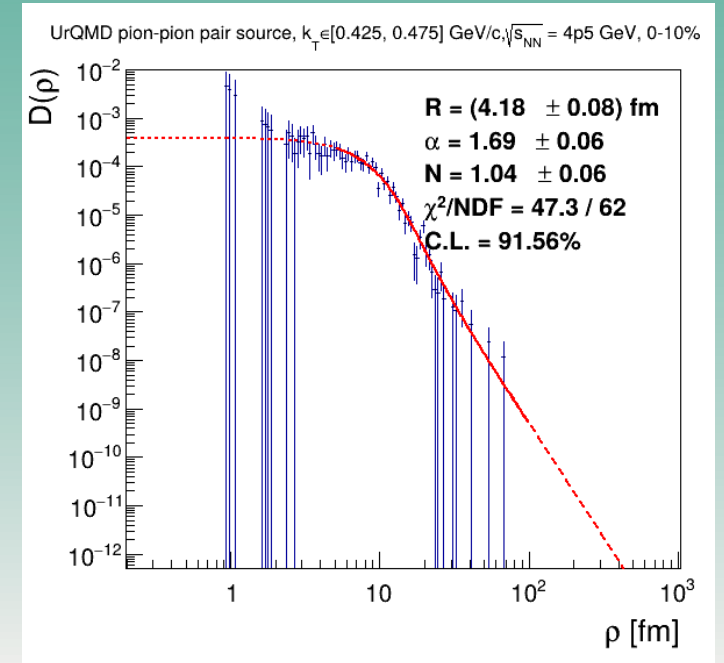
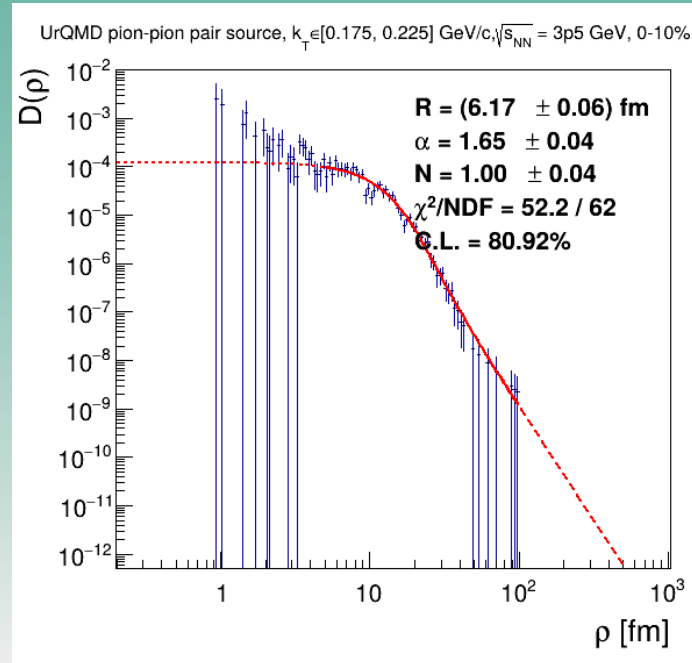
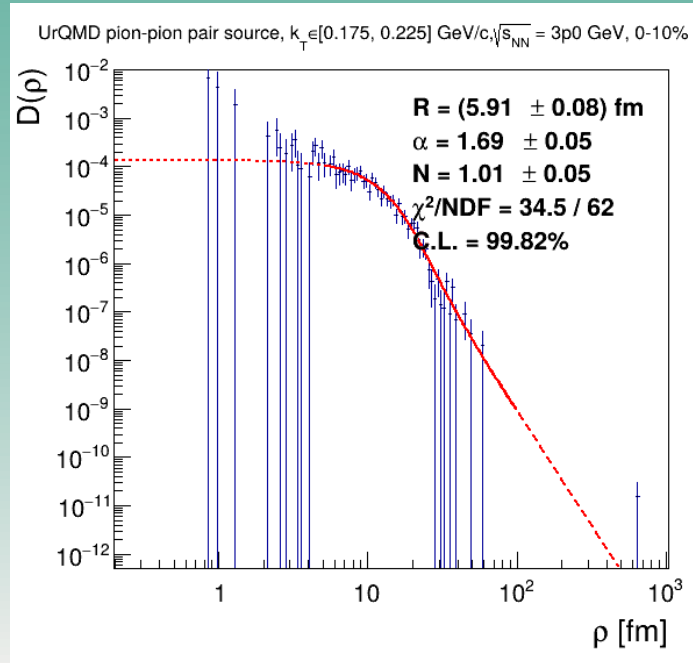
PION PAIR EVENT-BY-EVENT DISTRIBUTION

- Au+Au collisions simulated
- Separated into 10 $K_T = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{K_x^2 + K_y^2}$ bins
- 1-dimensional projection along Bertsch—Pratt coordinates, cuts in η, p_T, q_{LCMS}
- Lévy-distribution fitted



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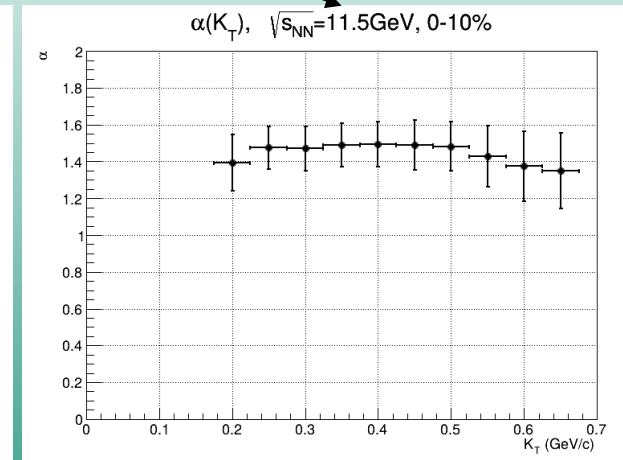
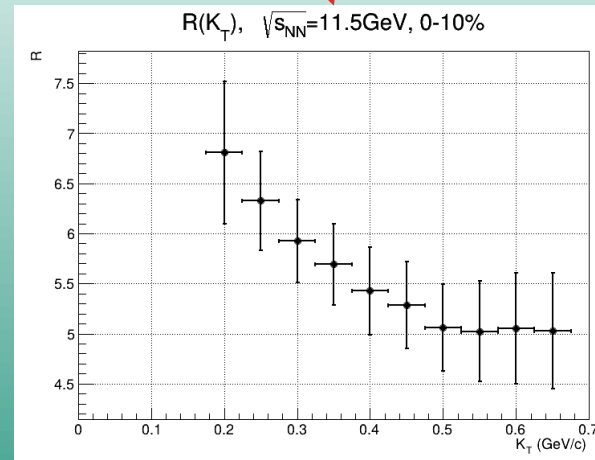
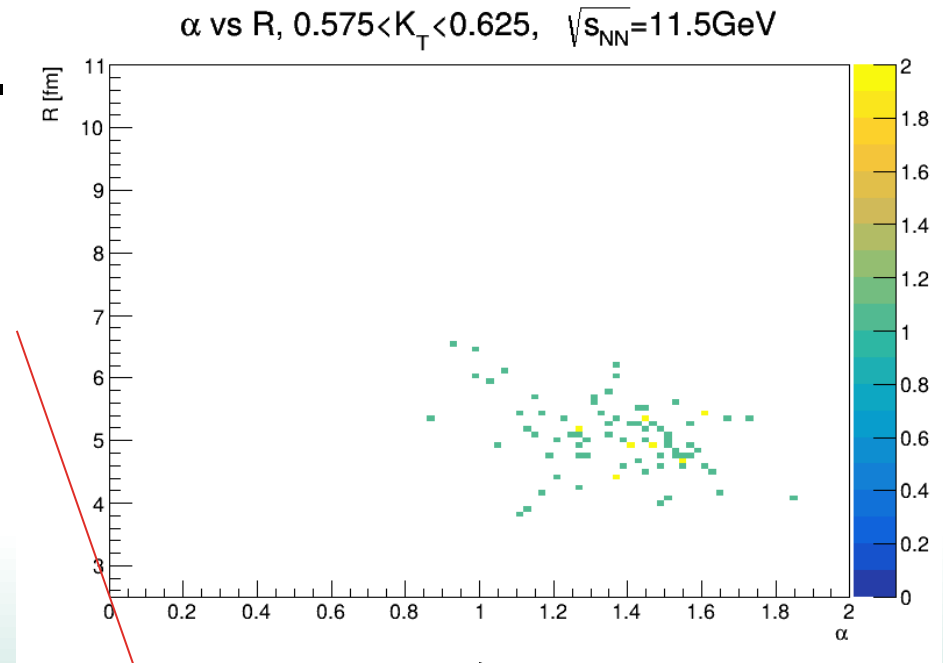
- Lower energies (UrQMD): **event averaging needed** (low statistics)
- Averaging 100 events' $D(r_{LCMS})$ distributions before fitting



FIT PARAMETER AVG. & STD. DEV.

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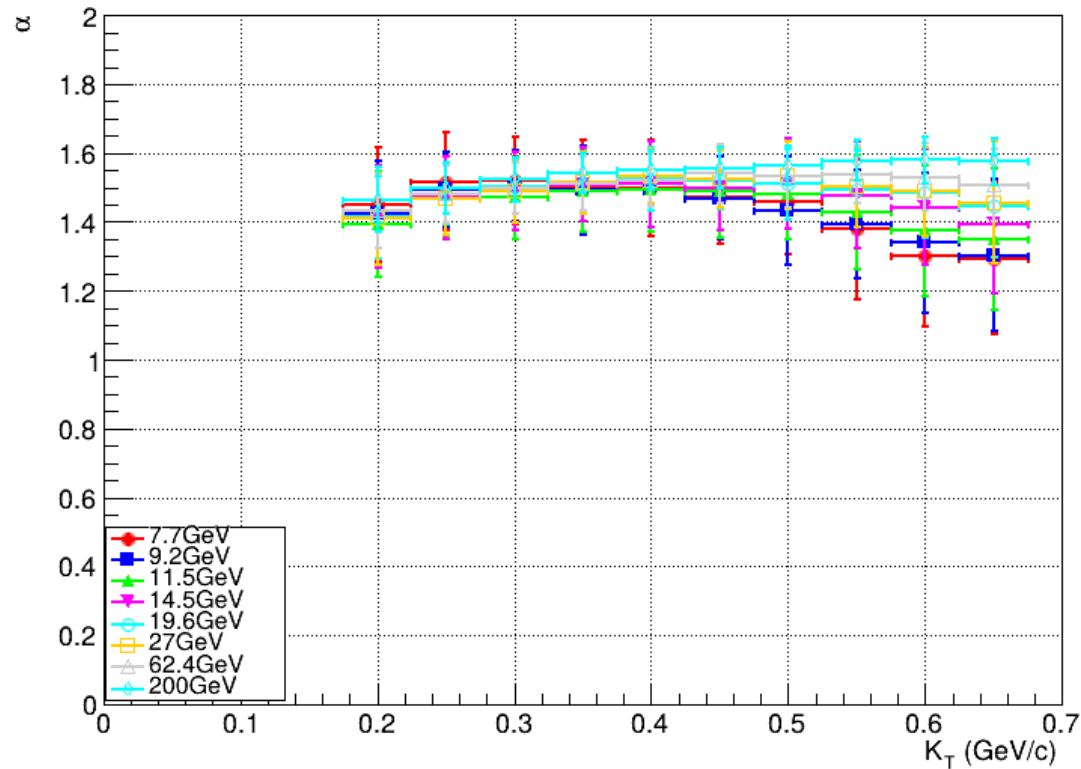
- Histograms of fit parameters (α , R)
- Fit parameter mean and standard deviation obtained
- As a function of K_T :
 - α consistent with constant within uncertainty
 - R decreasing with K_T



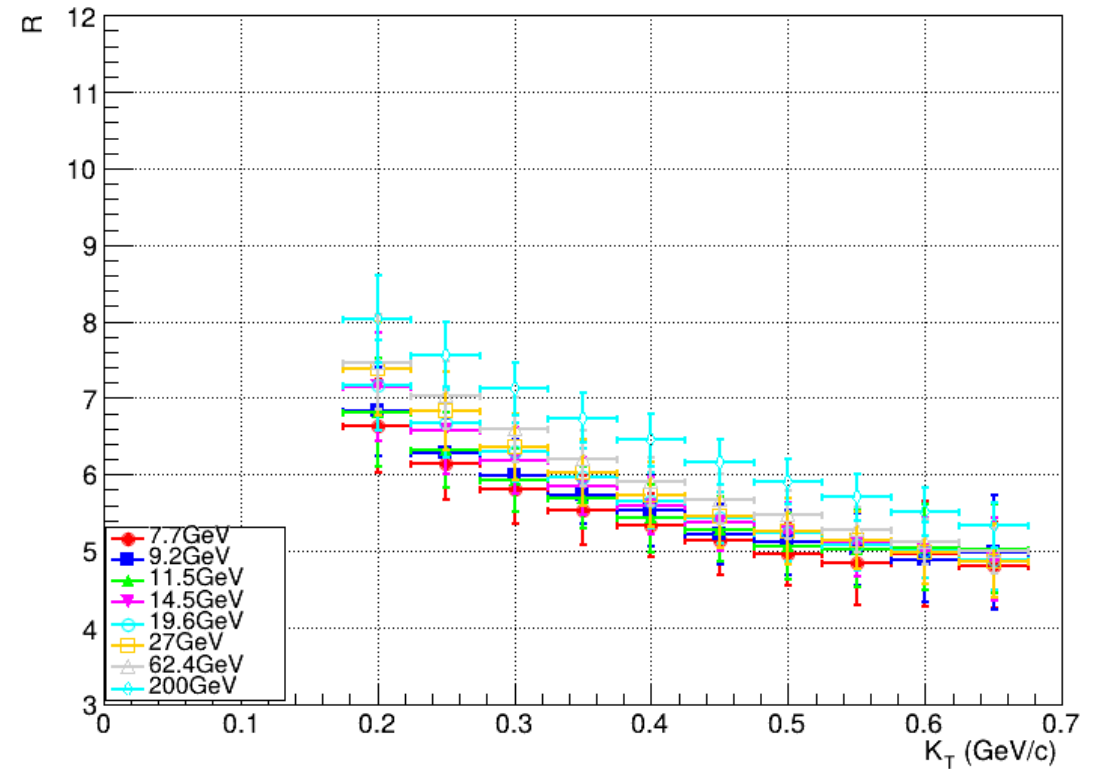
EPOS₄ $\alpha(K_T), R(K_T)$

- In all analysed energies: α consistent with constant within uncertainty, R decreasing with K_T

α vs K_T for all energies, 0-10%



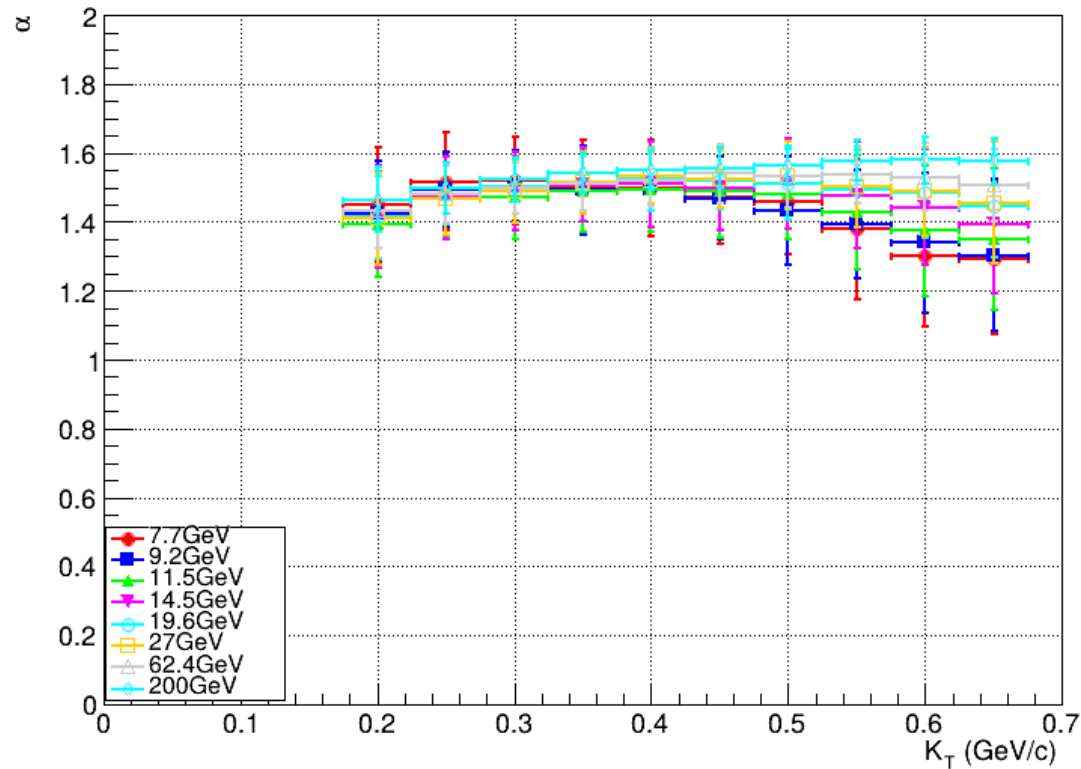
R vs K_T for all energies, 0-10%



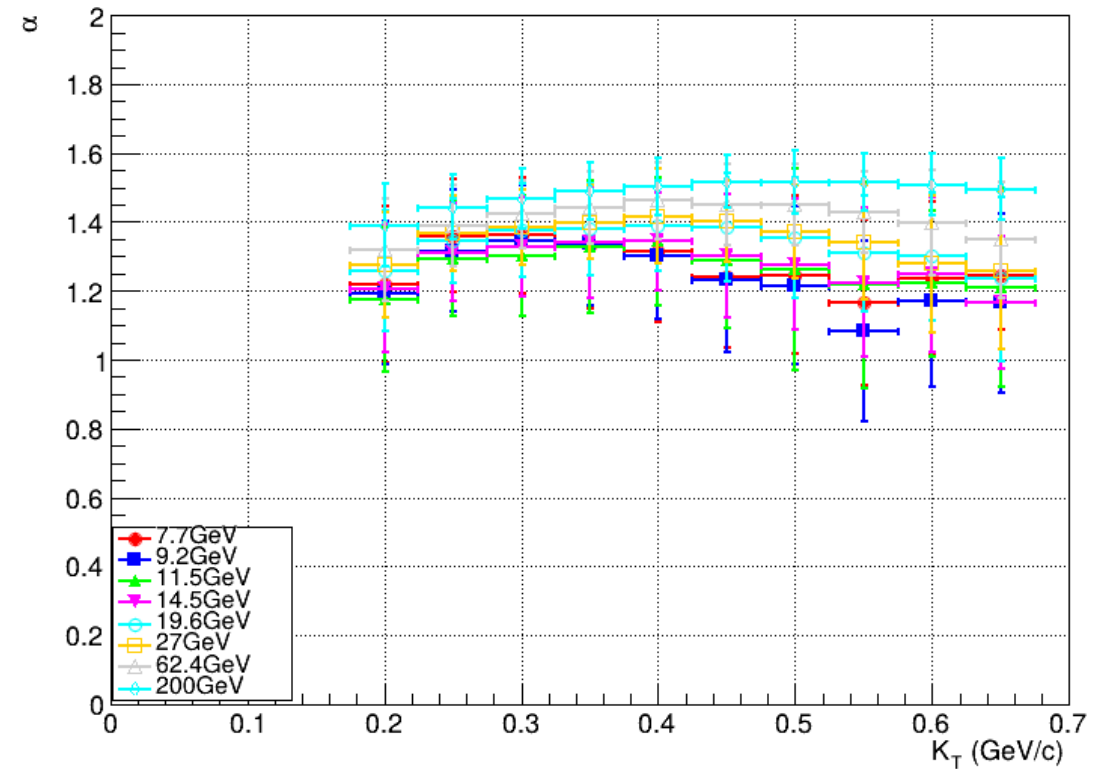
EPOS₄ $\alpha(K_T)$ CENTRALITY DEPENDENCE

- Generally, a decreasing trend in parameter values with more peripheral collisions

α vs K_T for all energies, 0-10%



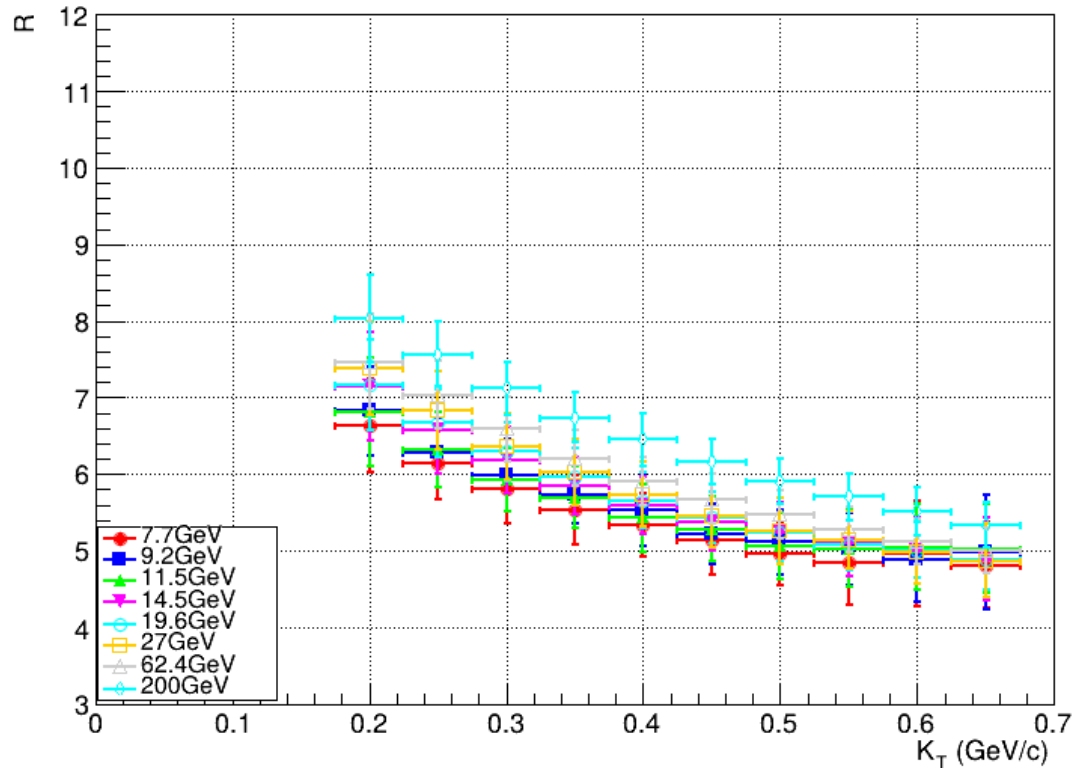
α vs K_T for all energies, 10-20%



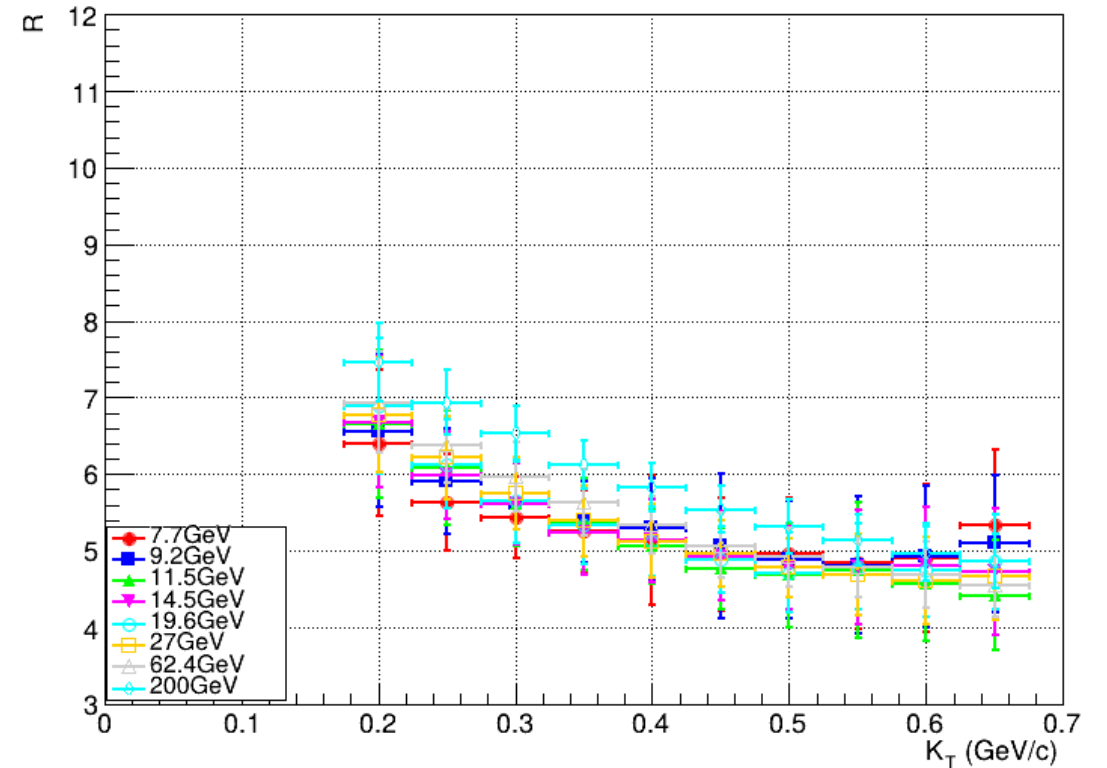
EPOS₄ $R(K_T)$ CENTRALITY DEPENDENCE

- Generally, a decreasing trend in parameter values with more peripheral collisions
- Fits for both parameters tends to be less reliable towards higher centralities & higher K_T bins (lack of statistics without event averaging)

R vs K_T for all energies, 0-10%

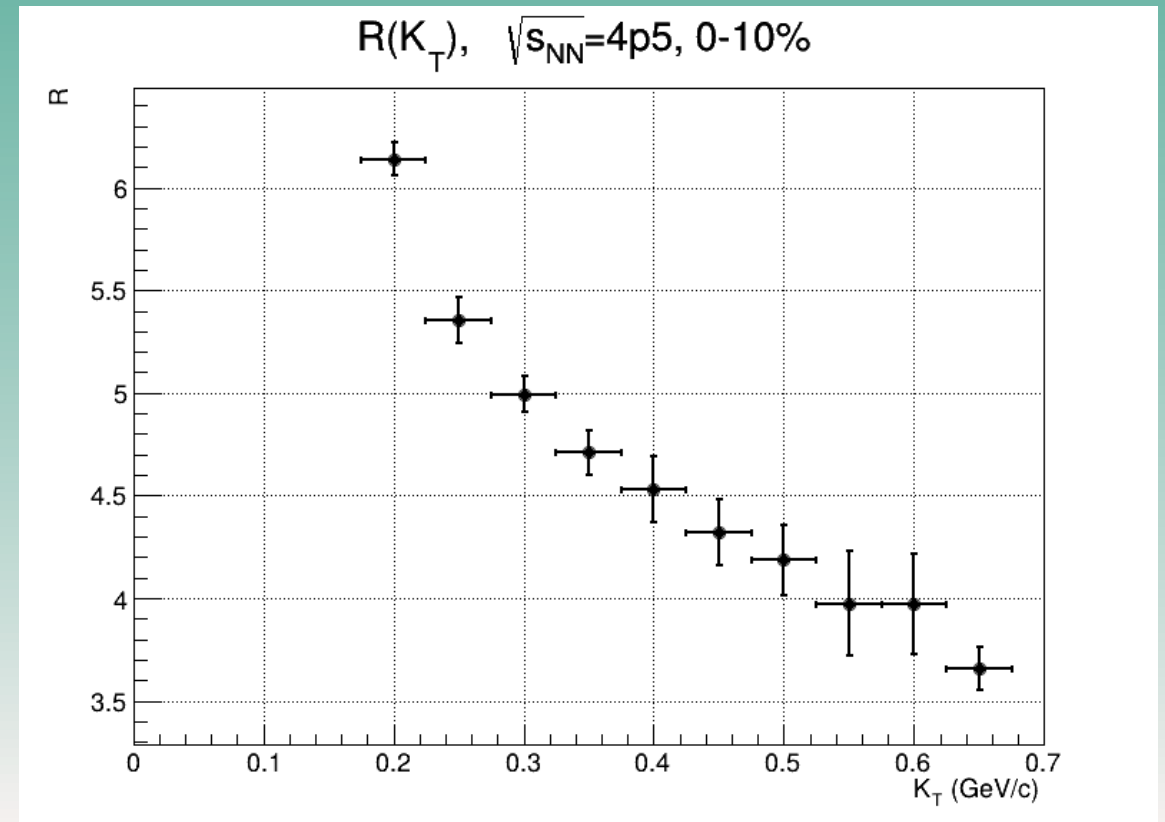
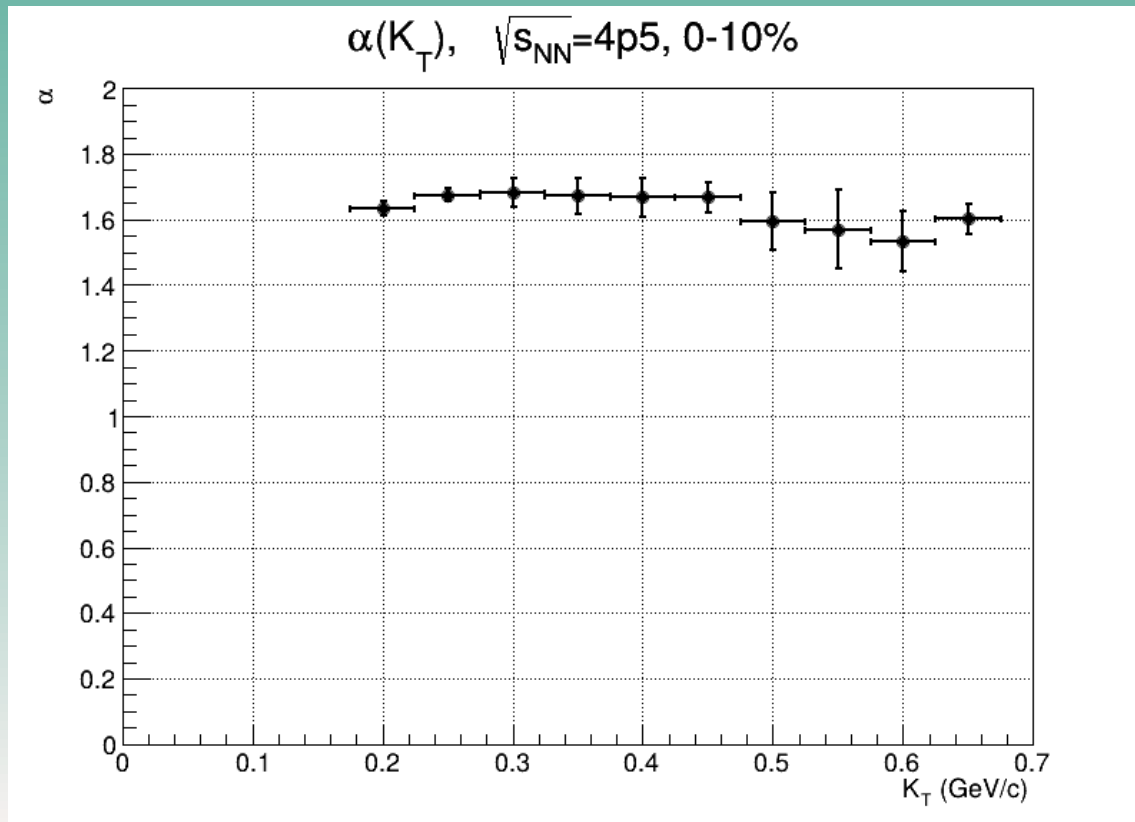


R vs K_T for all energies, 10-20% centrality



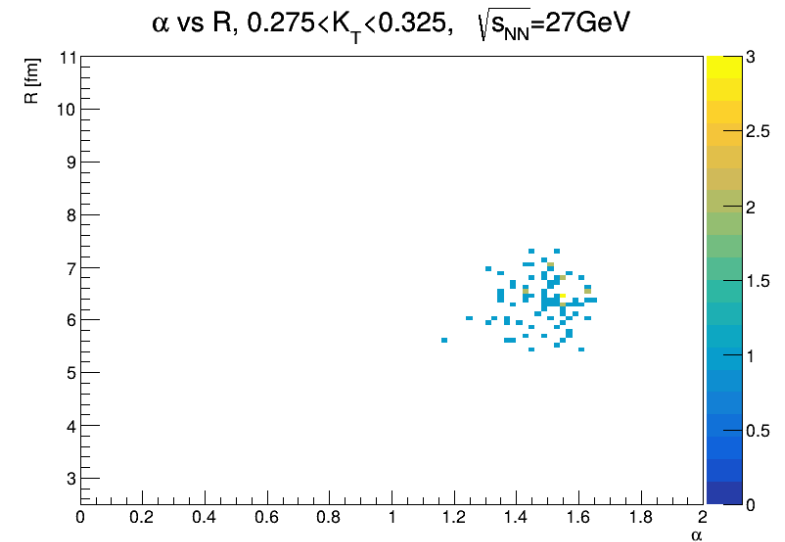
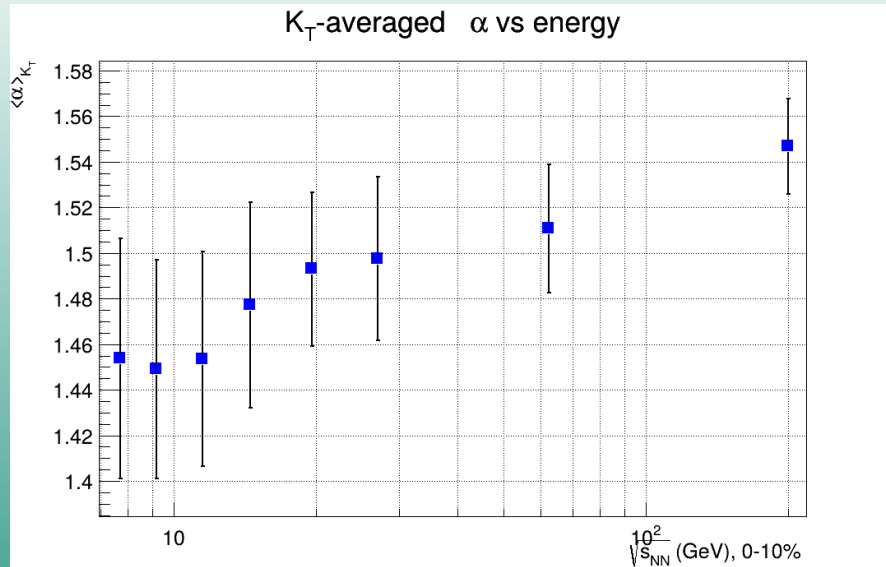
URQMD $\alpha(K_T), R(K_T)$

- Same trend with UrQMD analysis
- Event averaging applied ($D(r)$ fitted from 100-100 events)
- Still mostly too low statistics towards higher K_T bins

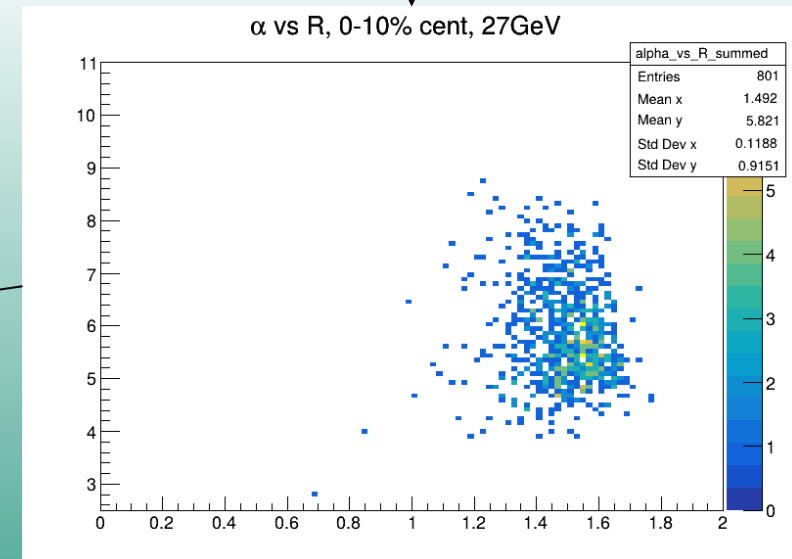


K_T -AVERAGED RESULTS

- Histograms of fit parameters averaged (summed)
- Mean and standard deviation (~uncertainty) obtained

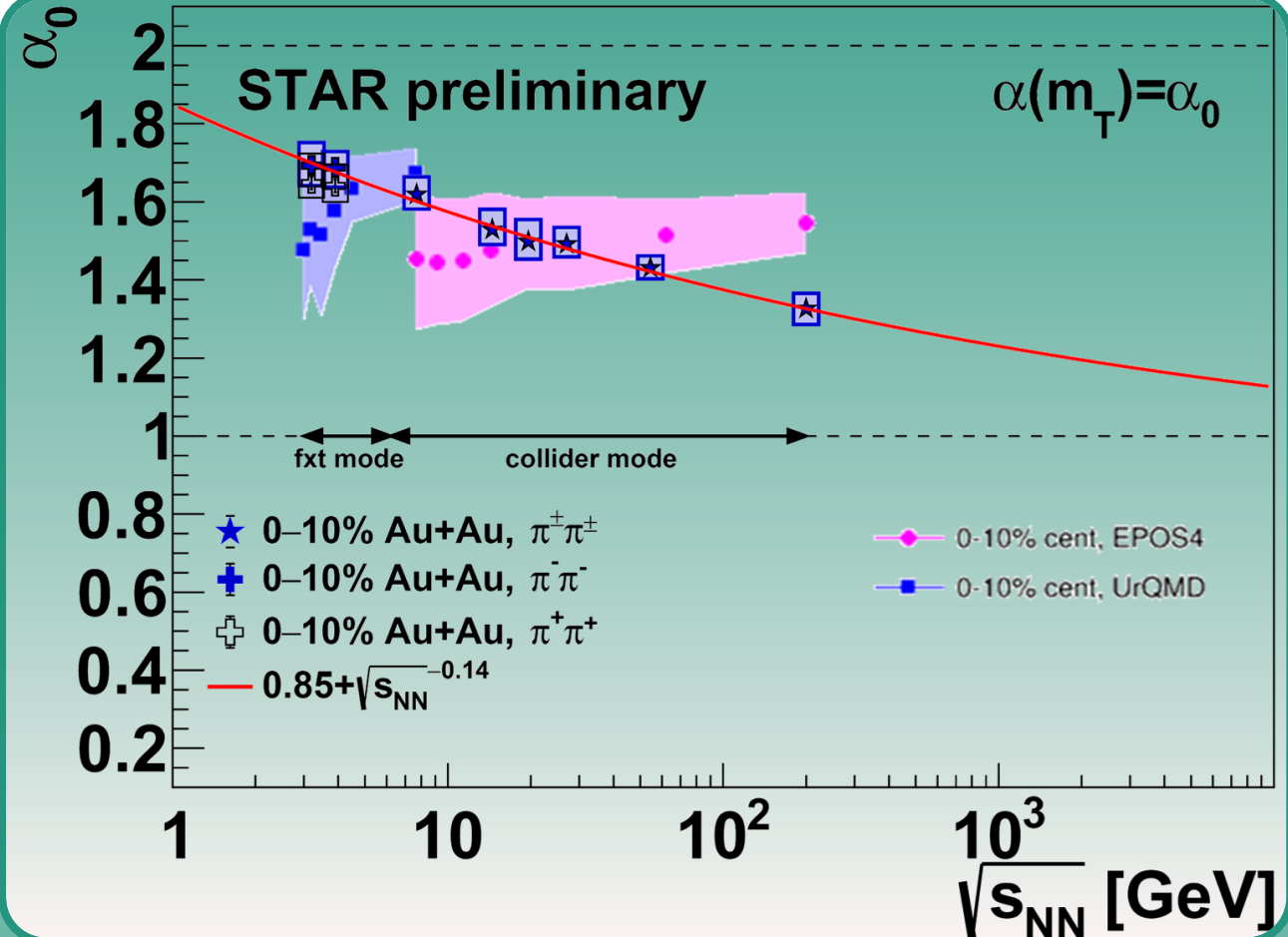
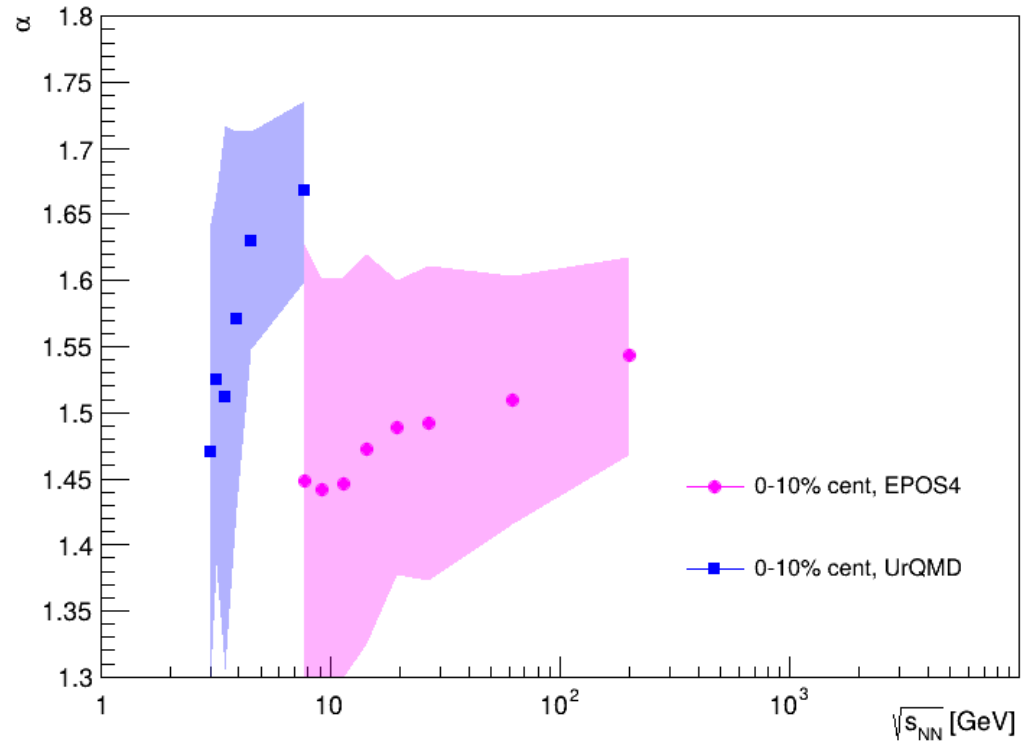


summing all K_T ranges



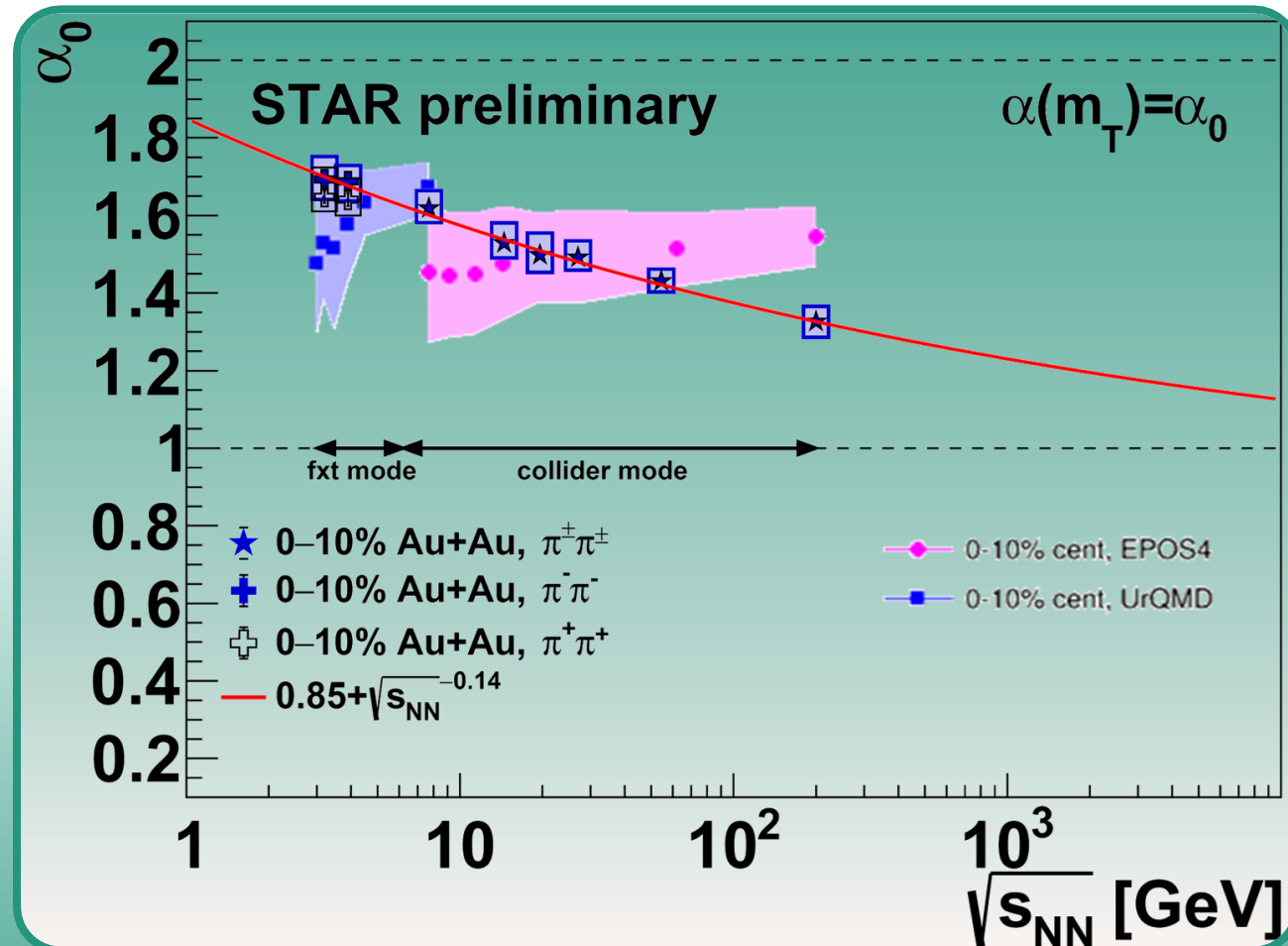
RESULT: EPOS₄ & URQMD AT RHIC ENERGIES

EPOS₄ & UrQMD 0-10% $\pi^+\pi^\pm$



RESULT: EPOS₄ & URQMD AT RHIC ENERGIES

- Au+Au
- Quantitatively (mostly within the “std. dev. uncertainty”) not far from the $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3$ to 60 GeV data
- Larger differences toward larger energies of collider mode & smallest energies of fixed-target mode
- **Different trend from the data** both in UrQMD & EPOS₄ results

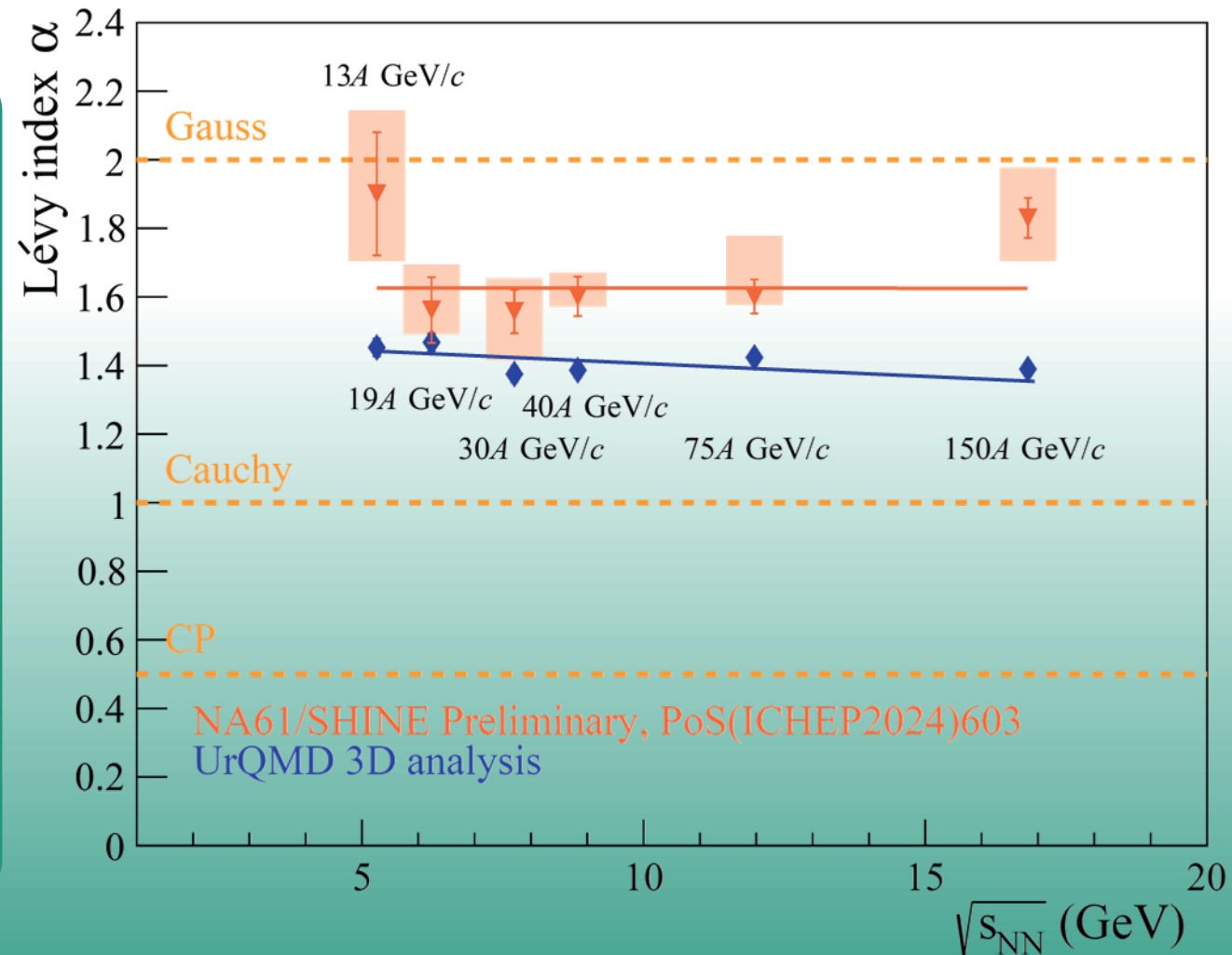


ANOTHER RESULT: URQMD AT NA61 ENERGIES

- Collisions 13A to 150A GeV/c energy (Ar+Sc)

[The NA61/SHINE Collaboration, *arXiv:2503.22484v2 [nucl-ex]* 31 Mar 2025]

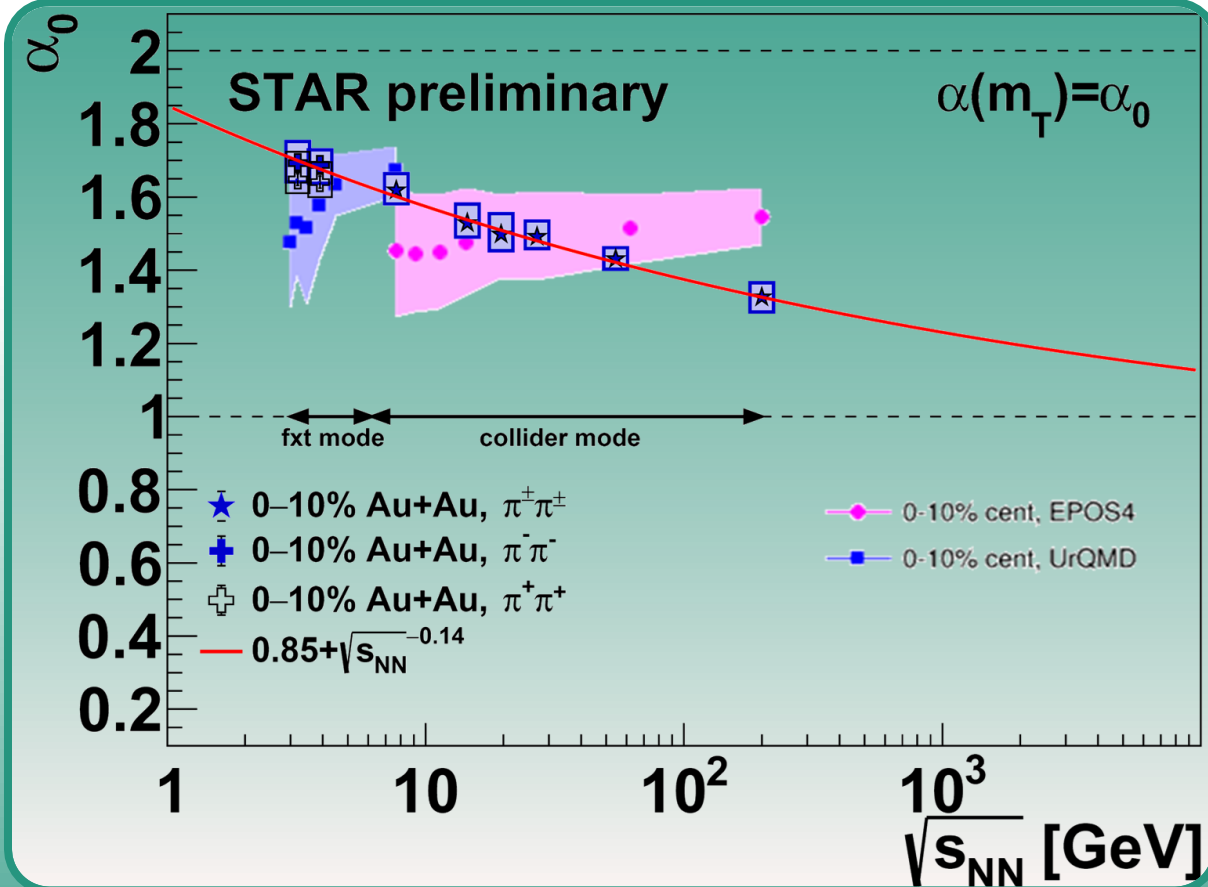
- UrQMD 3D analysis done by B. Pórfy
- Quantitatively, UrQMD close to experimental data for $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 6$ to 10 GeV
- Different trend compared to data

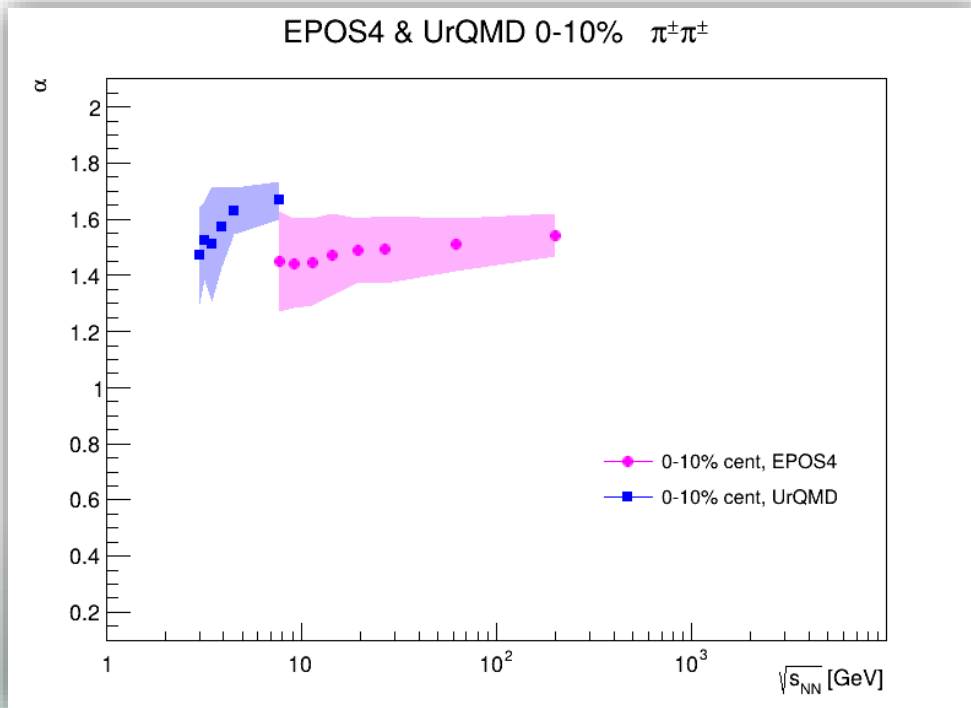


SUMMARY

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- Au+Au simulations done at RHIC energies
- Source functions obtained from EPOS₄ and UrQMD
- Lévy-fits performed
- Results quantitatively close to experimental data but seemingly different trend
- Next steps: correlation afterburner, higher statistics





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54 export EPO=${MYDIR}epos${EPOSVSN}/
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66 #export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$ROOTSYS/lib:$ROOTSYS/lib/root:/usr/local/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
67 export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$HEPMC3_DIR/lib:$FASTSYS/lib:$ROOTSYS/lib:$ROOTSYS/lib/root:/usr/local/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
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69 #cd $EPO # worked with epos 4.0.0
70 #rm -rf $LIBDIR && cmake -B$LIBDIR -DHEPMC3_DIR=$HEPMC3_DIR/share/HepMC3/cmake && make -C$LIBDIR -j3
71 #cd ..
72 #rm epos${EPOSVSN}.tgz
73 #chmod -R a=rwx epos${EPOSVSN}
74 # run it:
75 #${EPO}scripts/epos -root optnsfile
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83 cmake --build $BUILD_DIR -j8
84 cmake --install $BUILD_DIR
85 ctest --test-dir $BUILD_DIR --verbose
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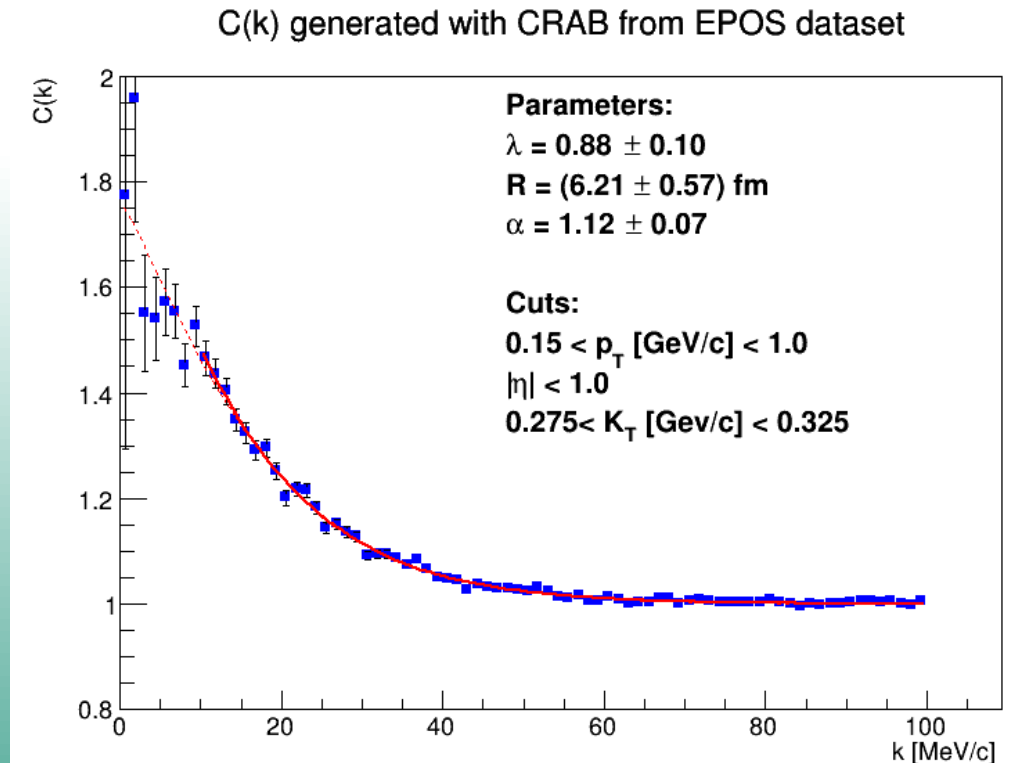
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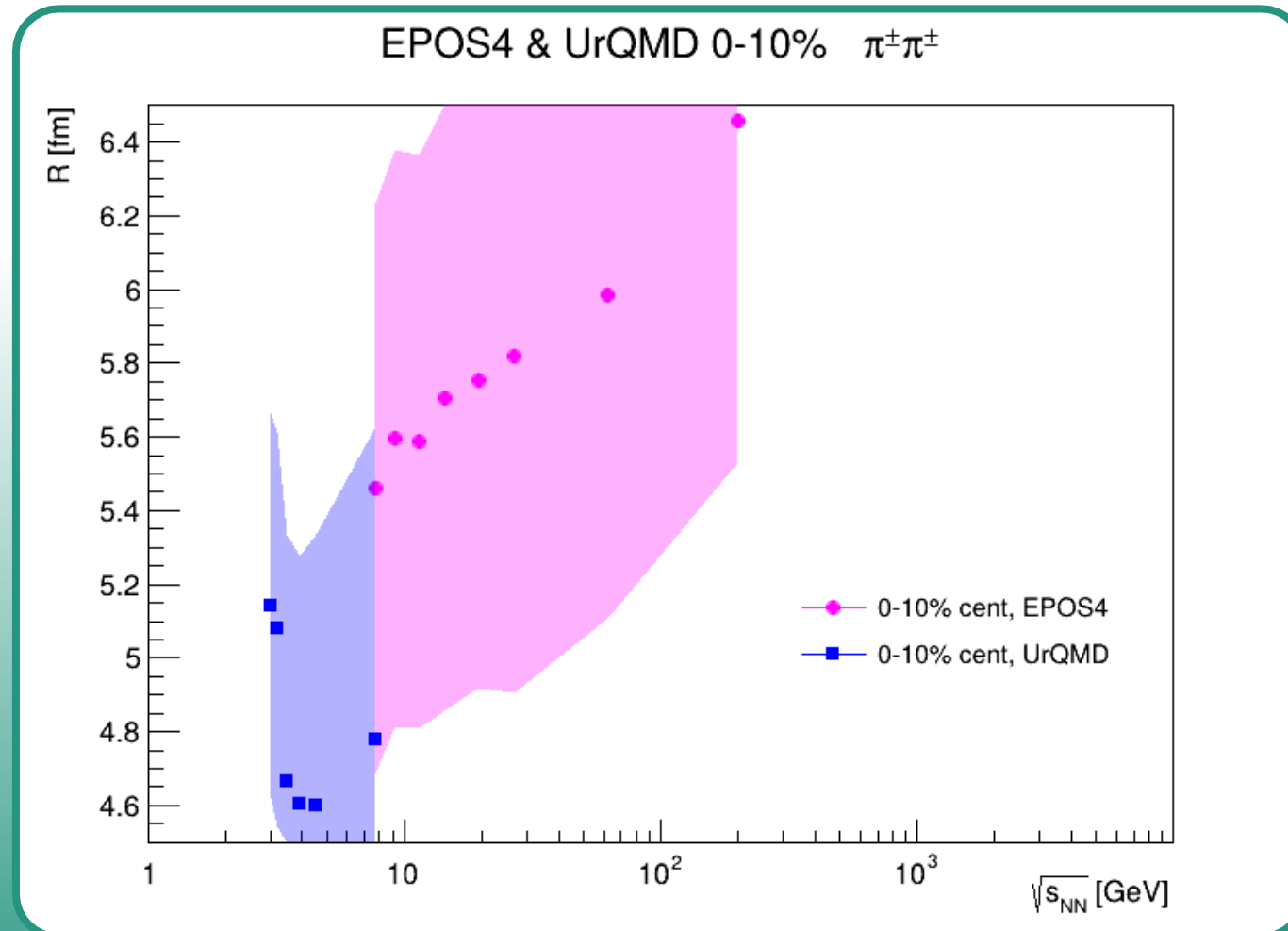
TODO: CORRELATION AFTERBURNER

- CRAB: Correlation After Burner
 - Generate correlation functions from semi-classical transport codes
 - with impact-parameter averaging, experimental acceptances, experimental resolution, kinematic cuts
 - Input: files of phase space points (final momentum & point of last interaction of generated particles e.g. in EPOS₄), impact parameters
 - Efficient 3D processing possible
 - Work-in-progress



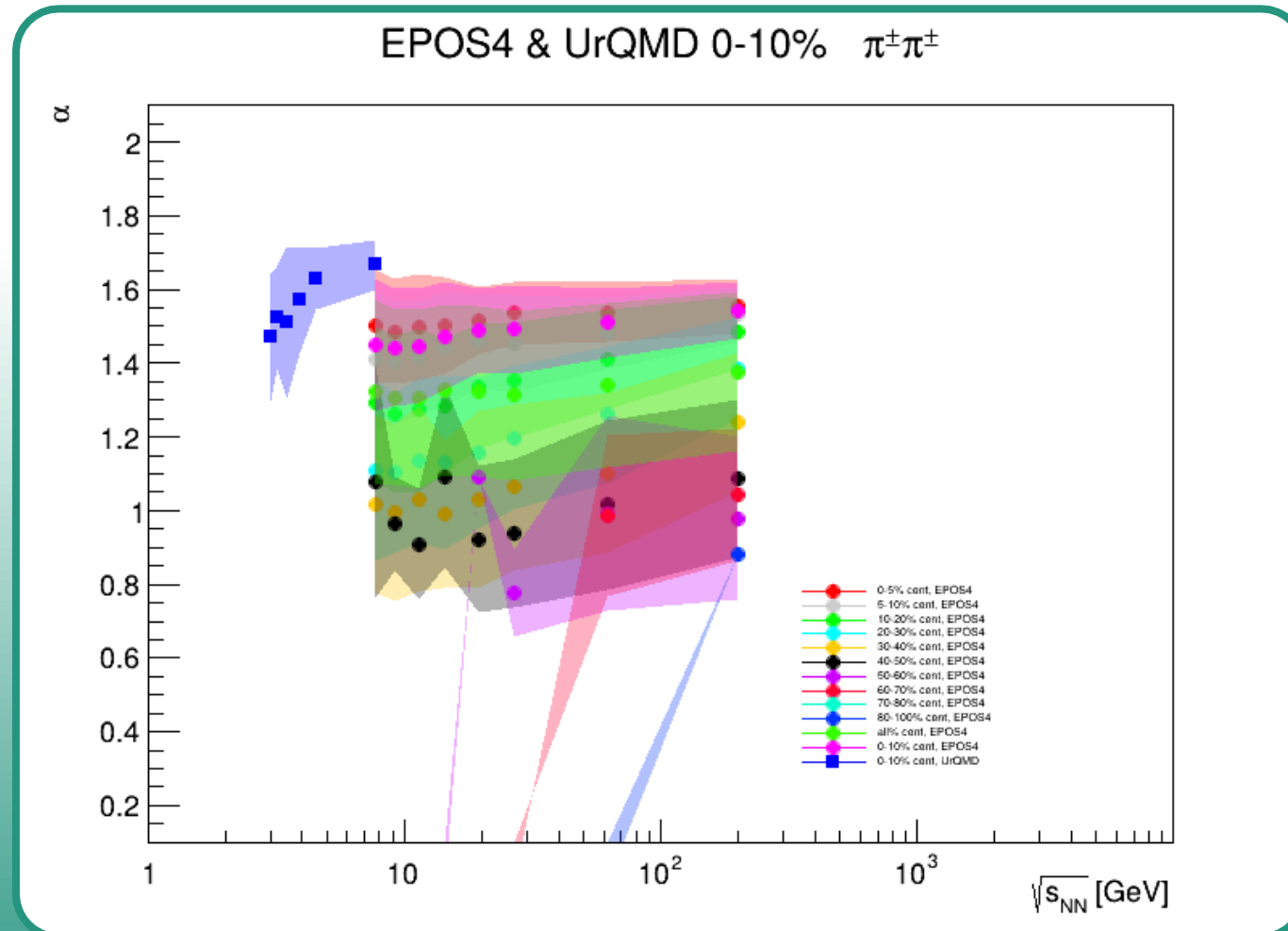
EPOS₄ $R(\langle K_T \rangle)$

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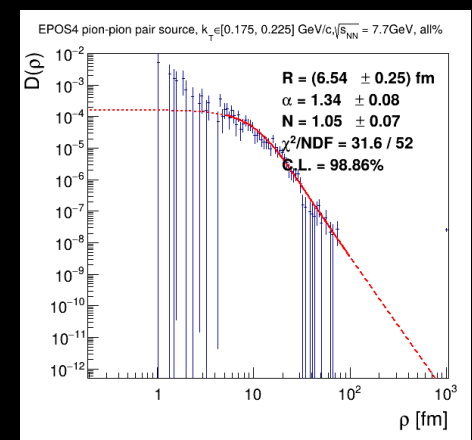
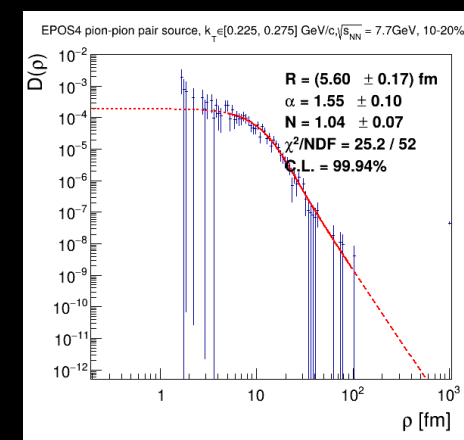
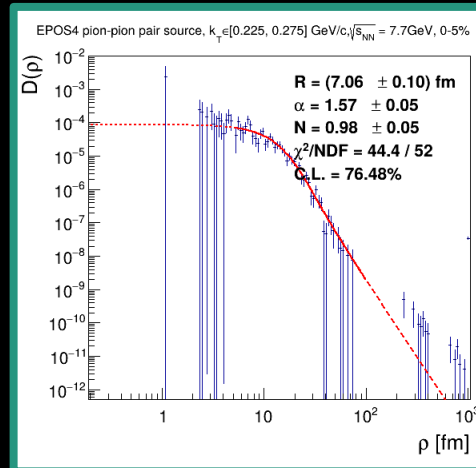
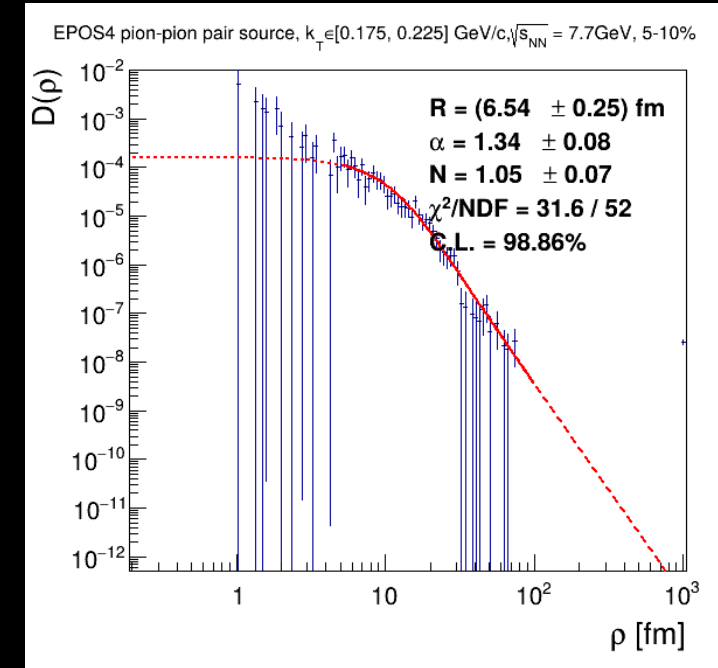
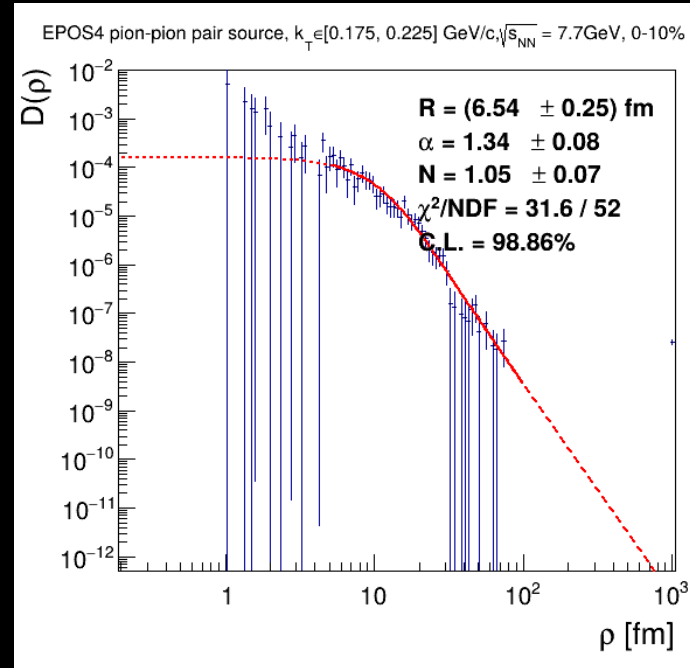
EPOS₄ $\alpha(\langle K_T \rangle)$

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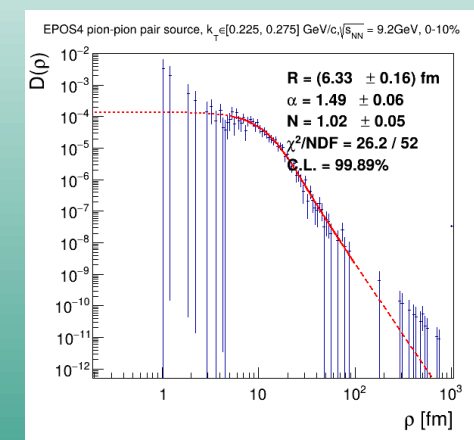
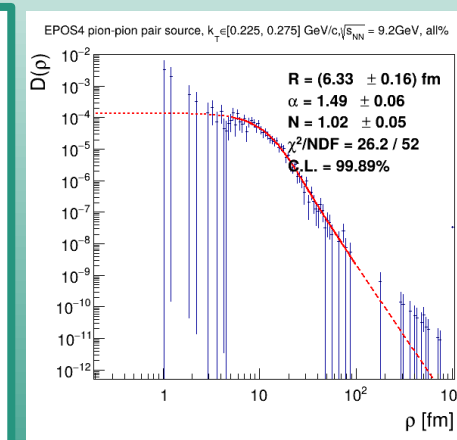
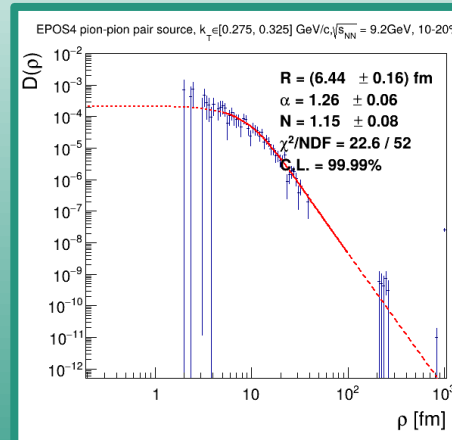
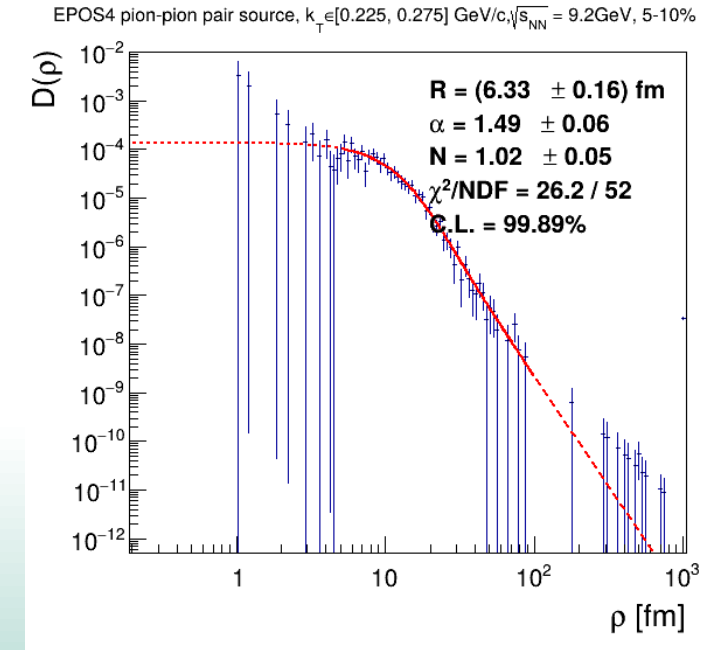
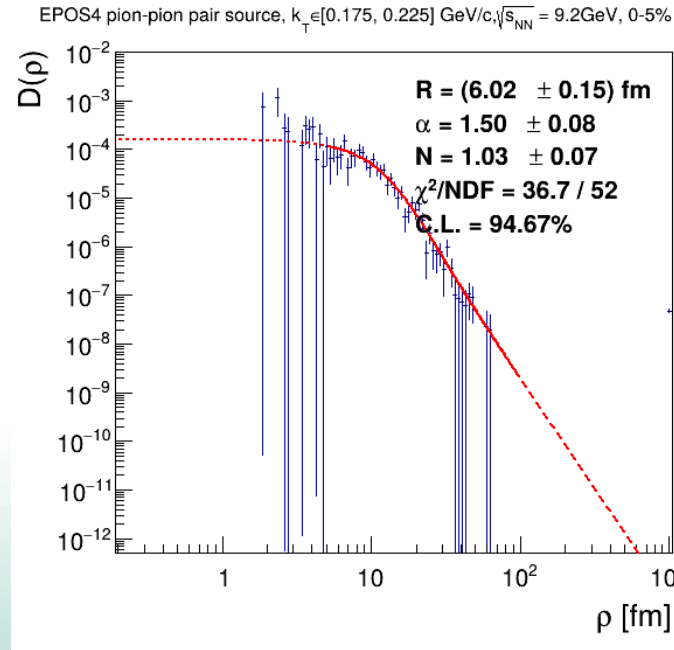
EVENT-BY-EVENT PION SOURCE FUNCTION LÉVY FITS

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7 \text{ GeV}$$



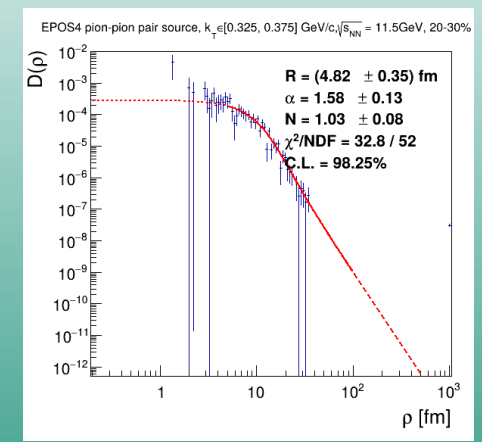
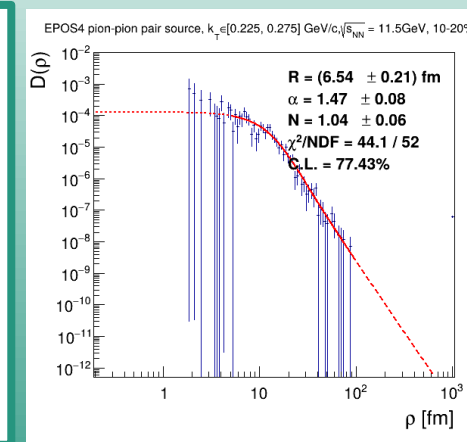
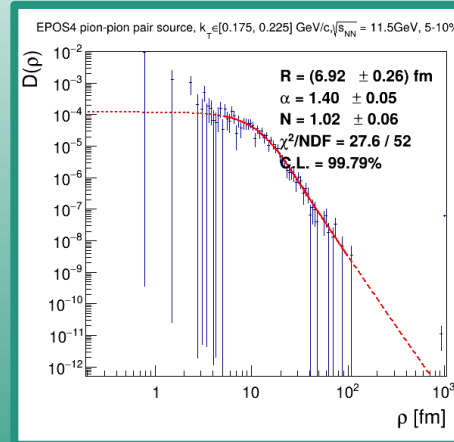
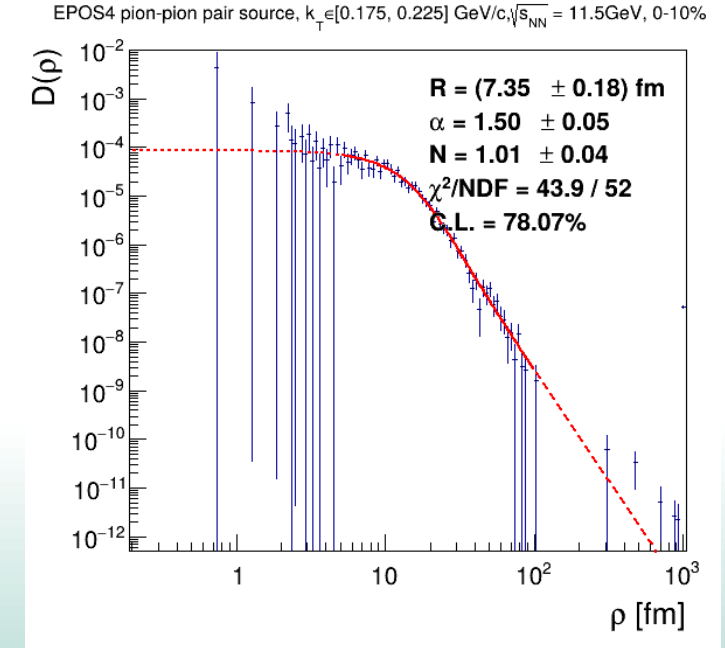
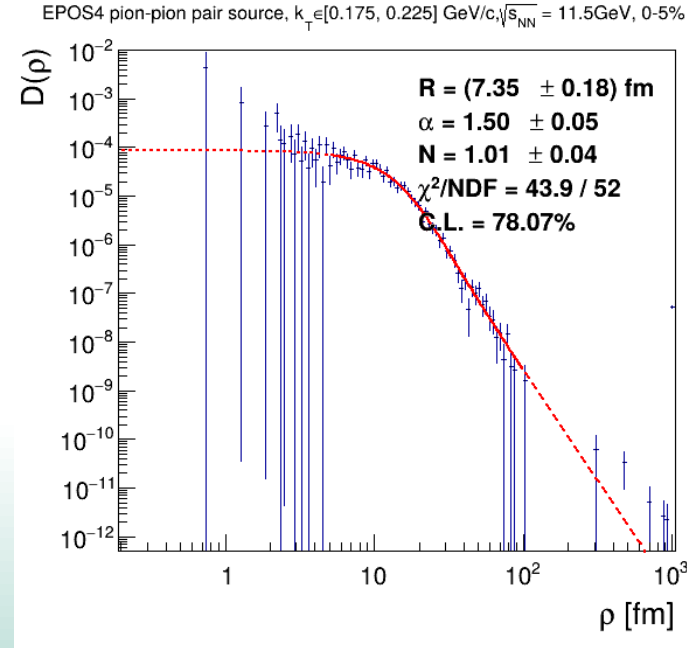
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$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 9.2 \text{ GeV}$$



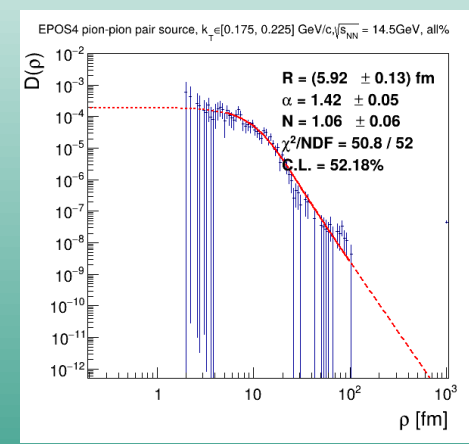
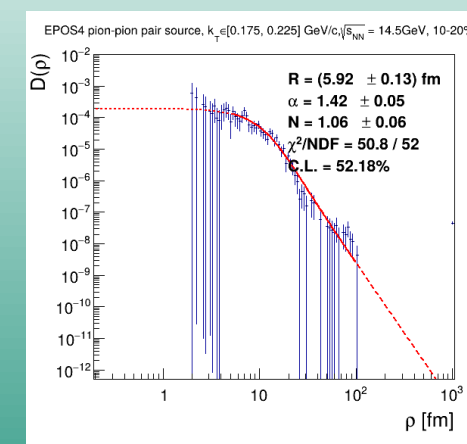
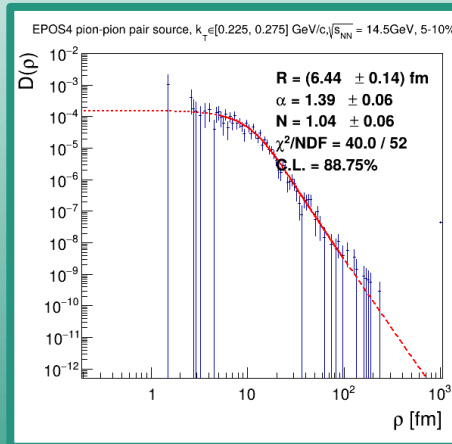
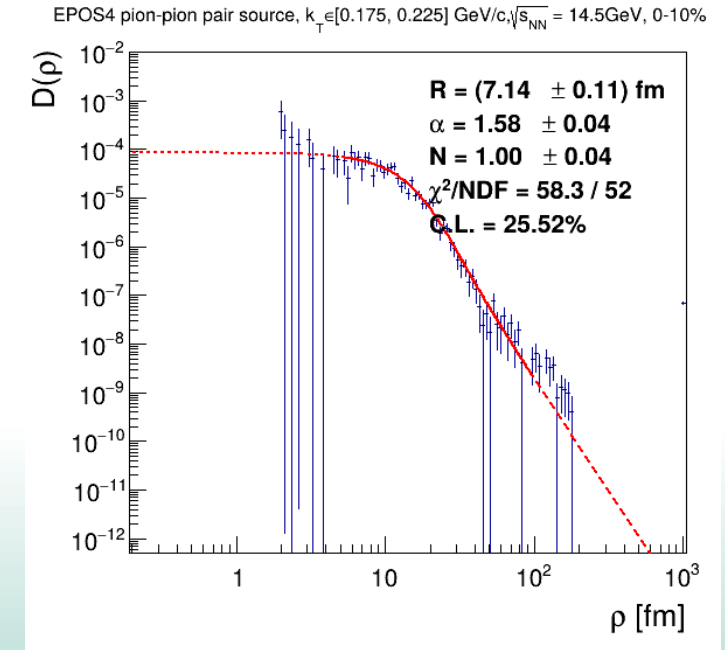
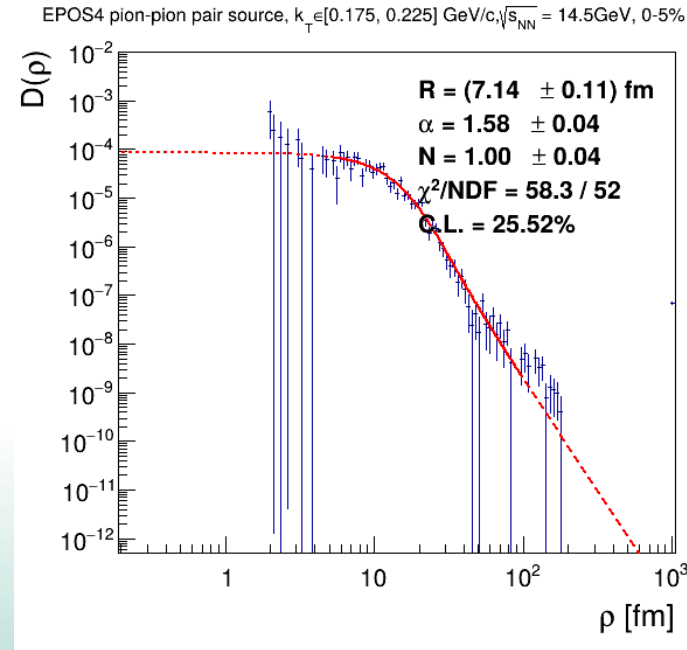
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$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 11.5 \text{ GeV}$$



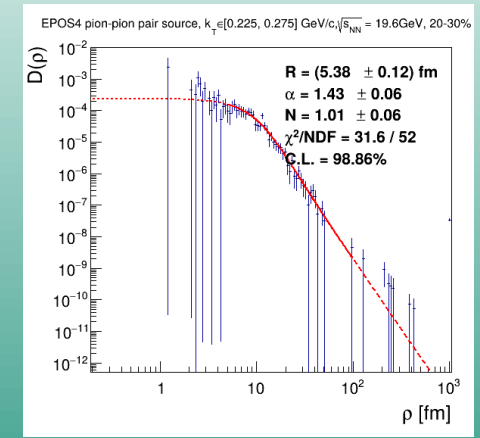
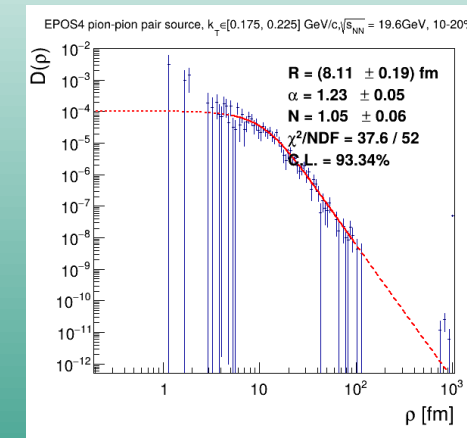
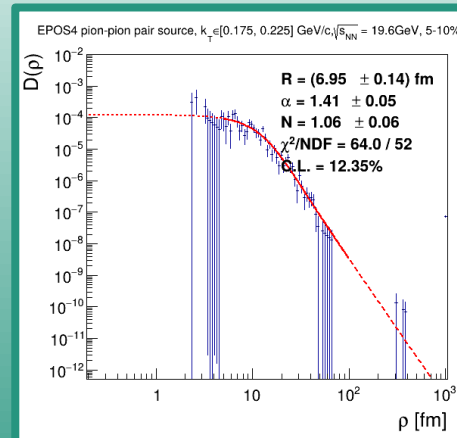
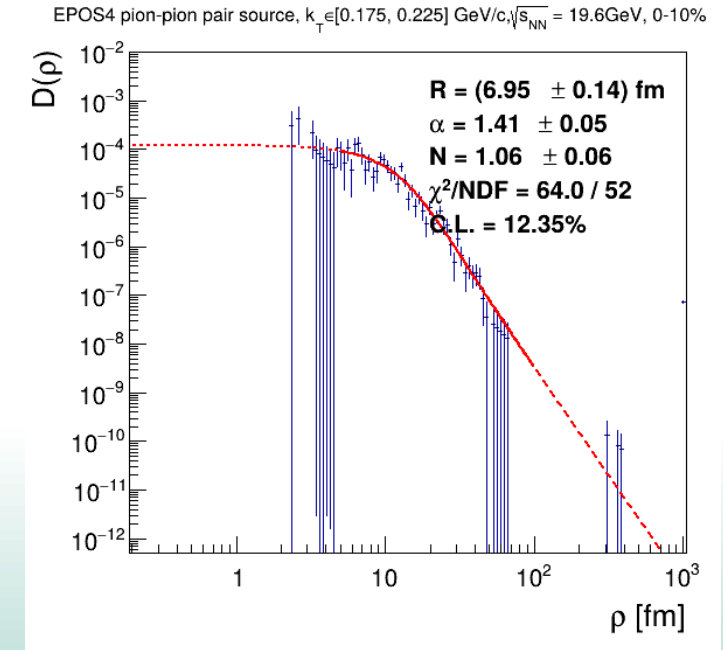
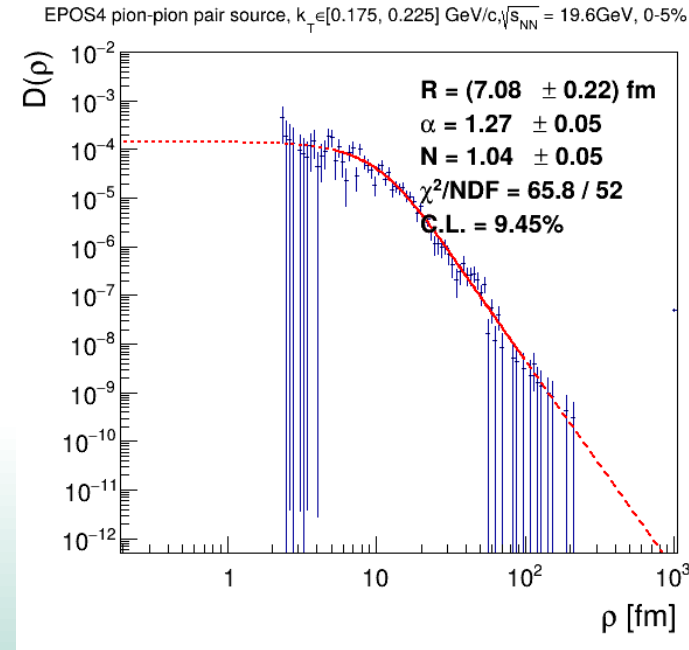
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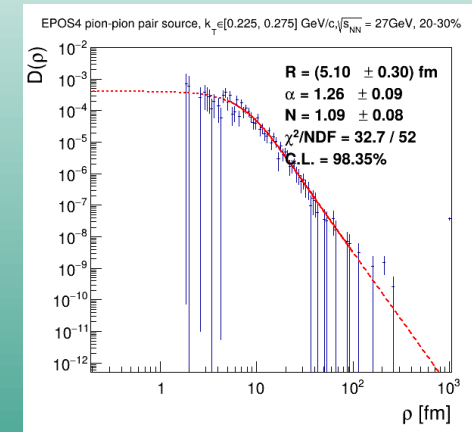
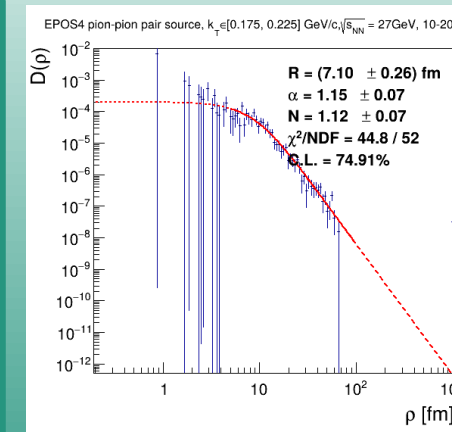
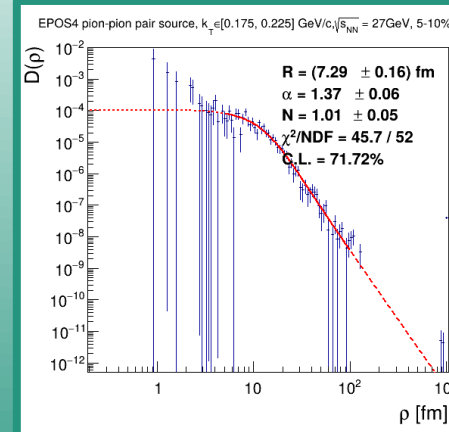
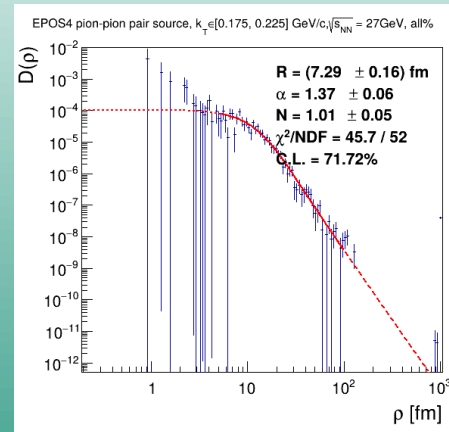
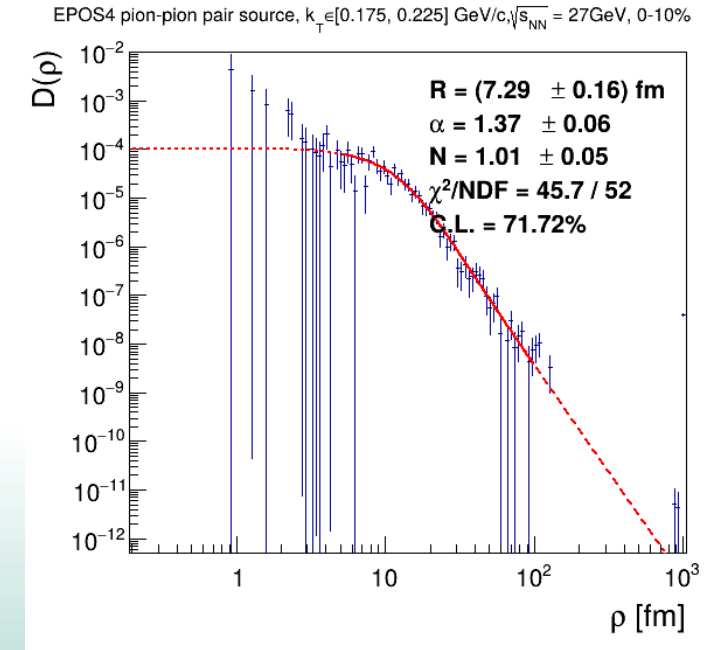
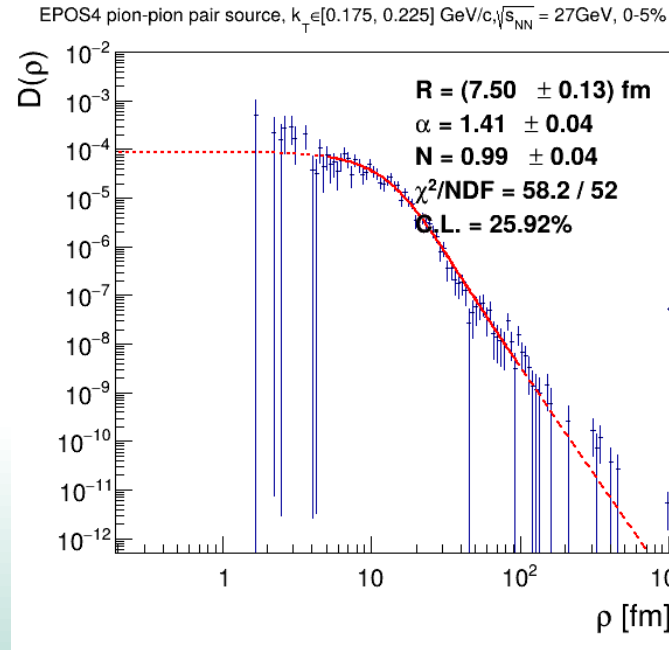
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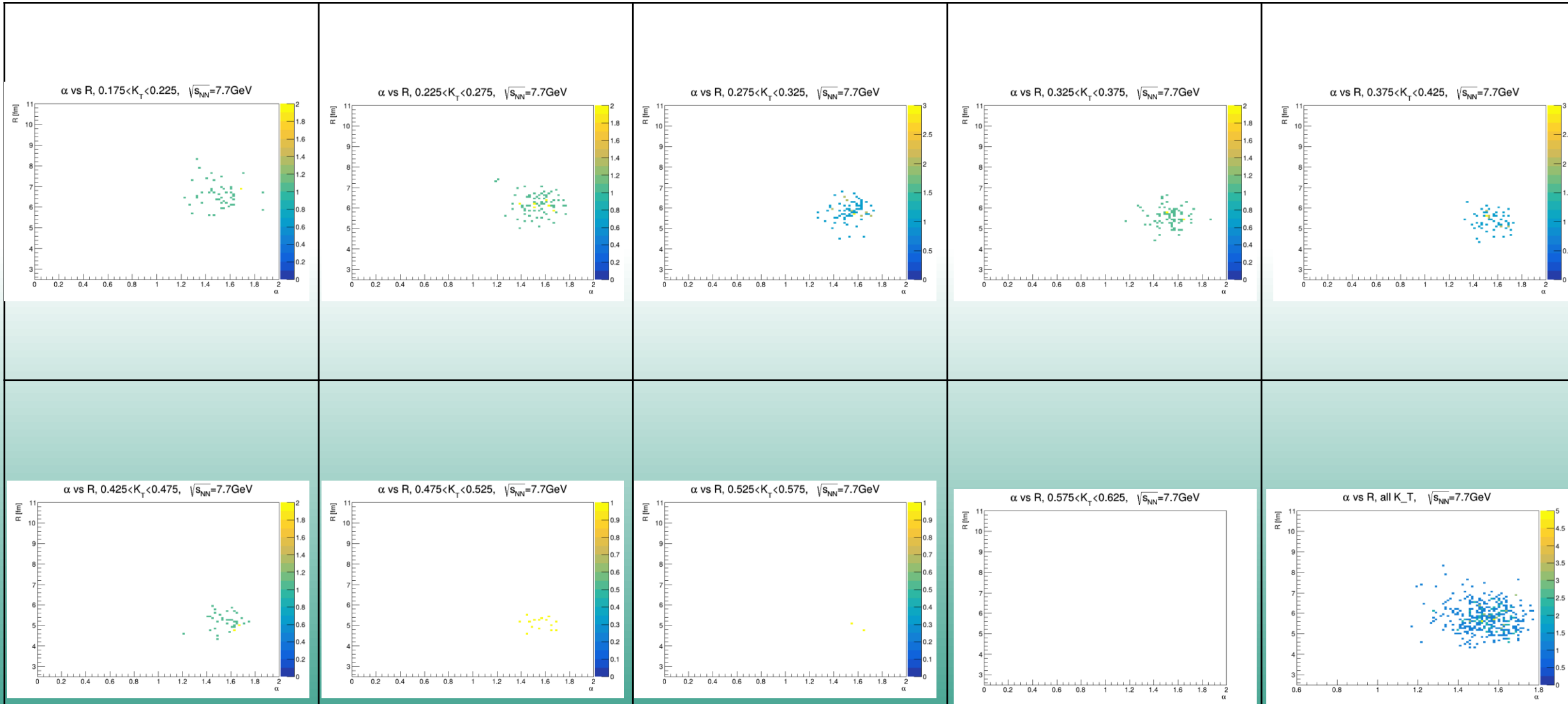


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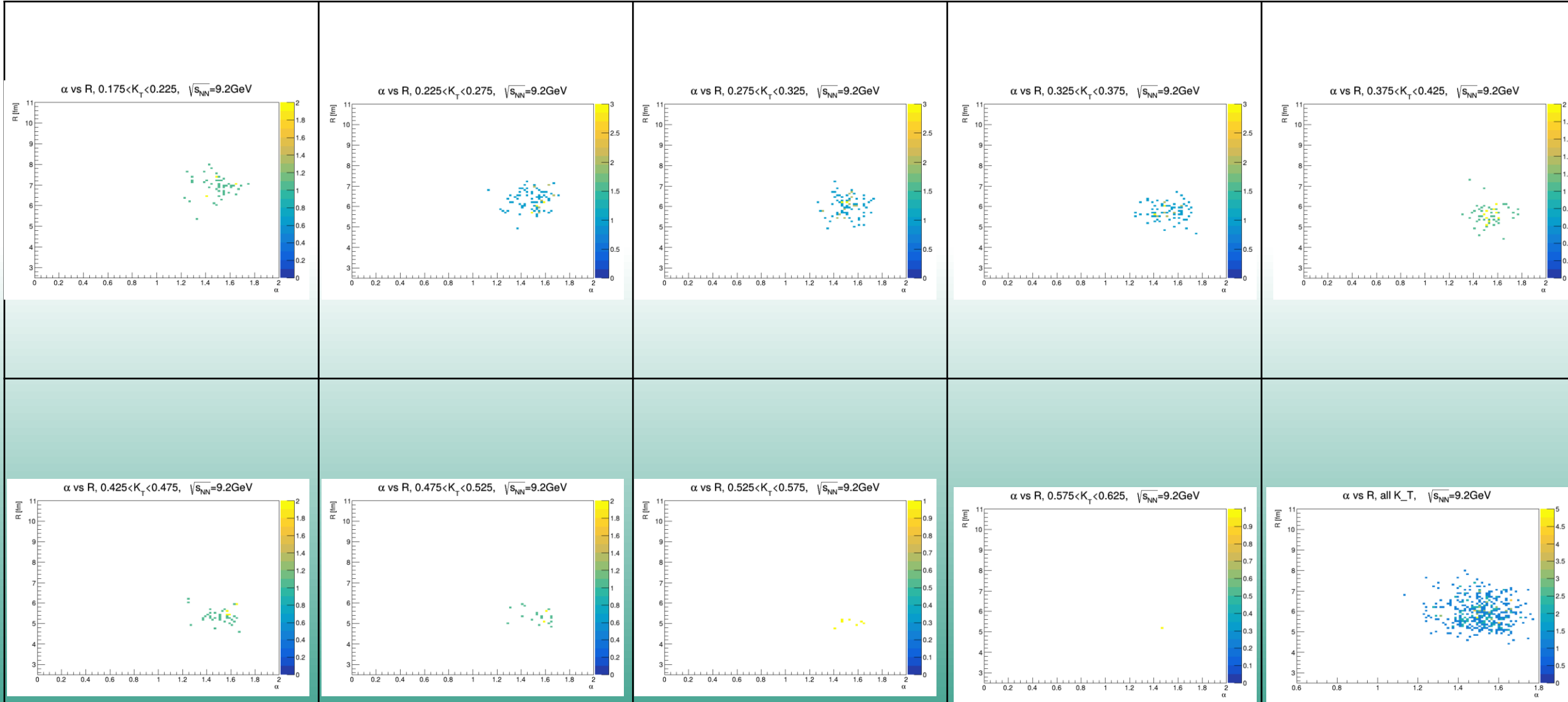
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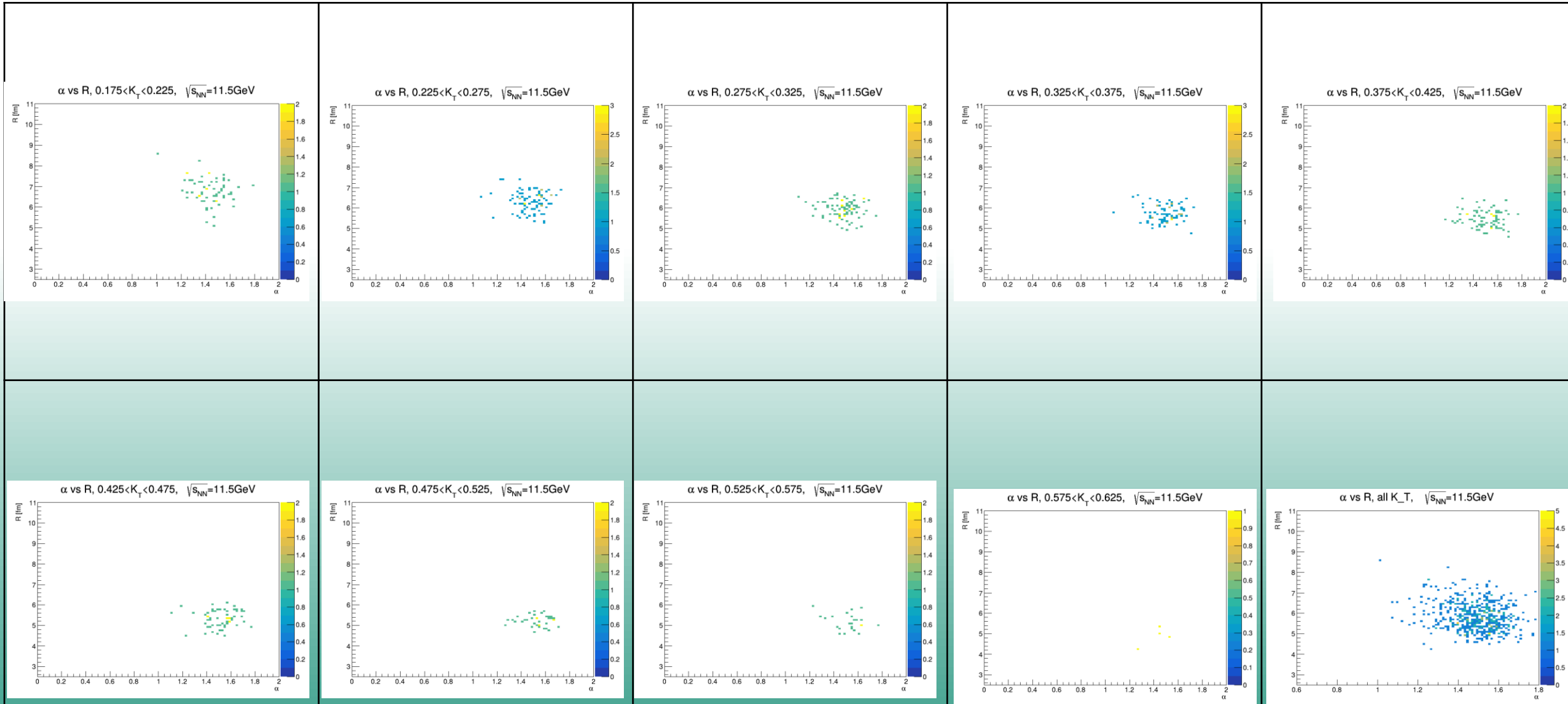
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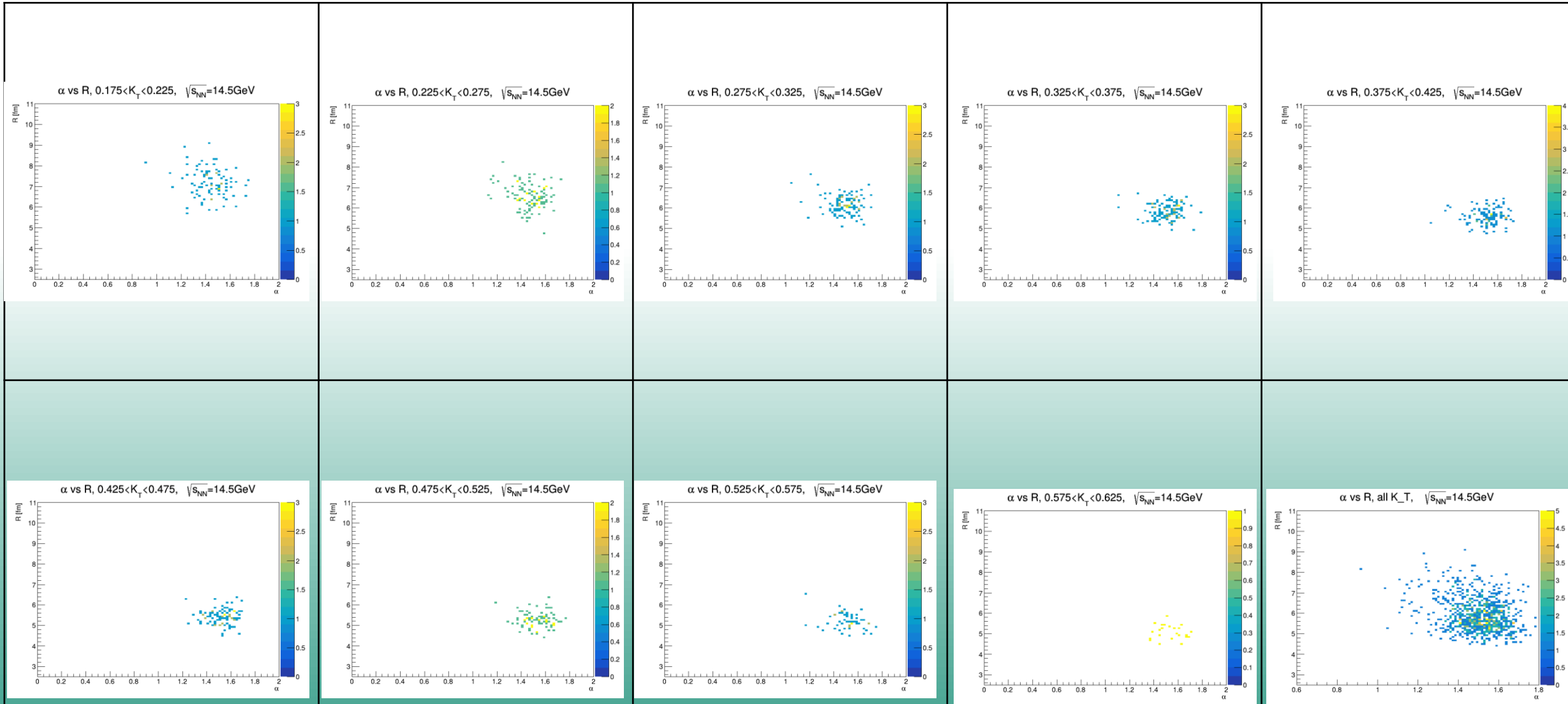
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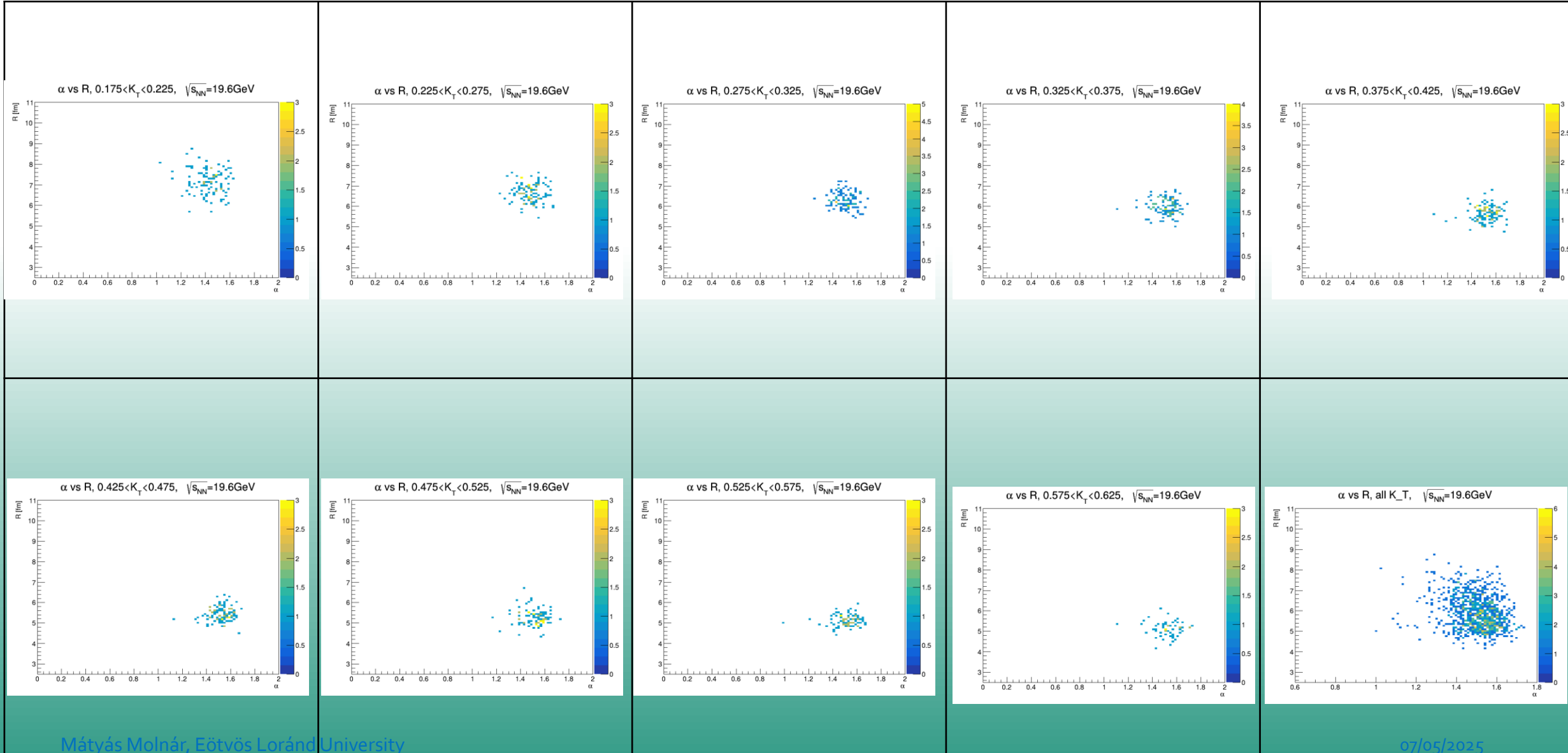
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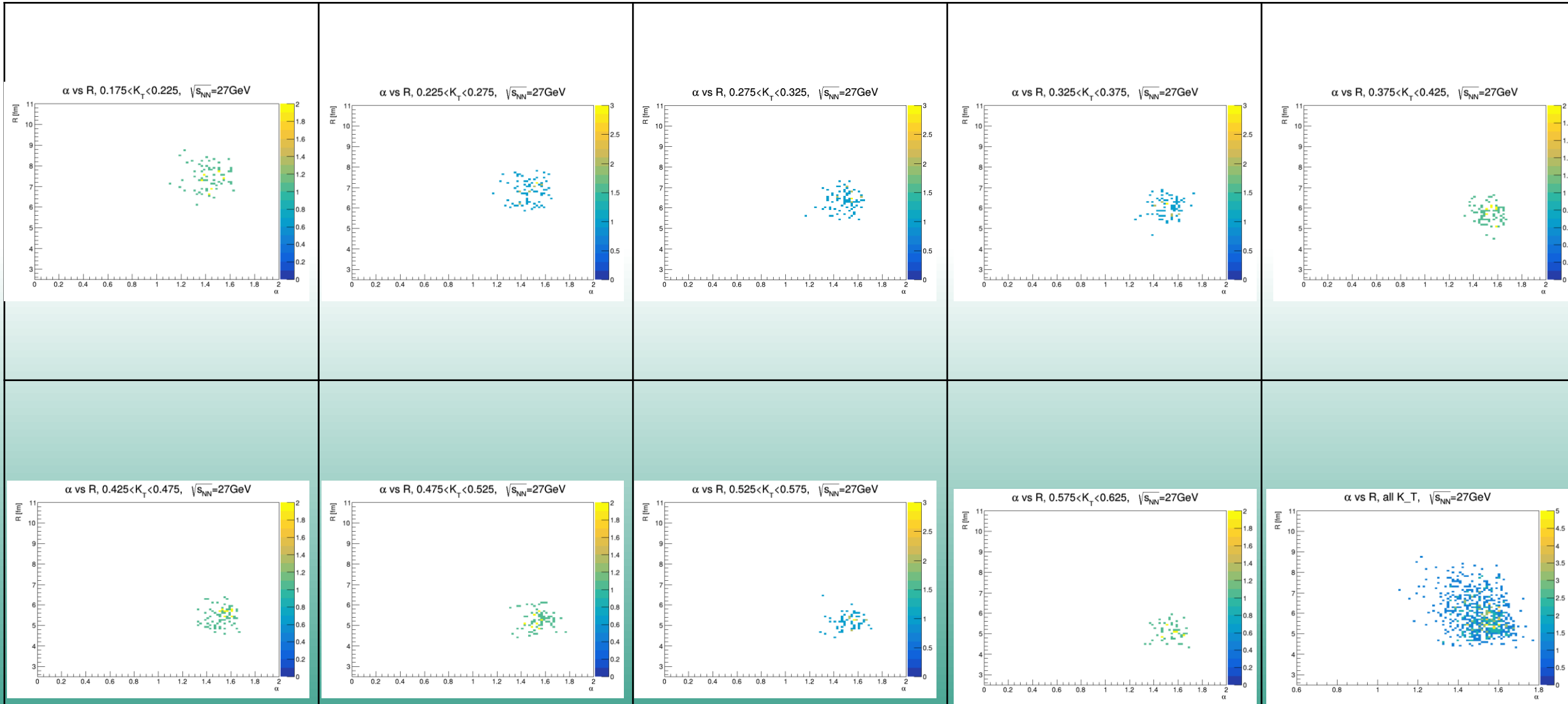
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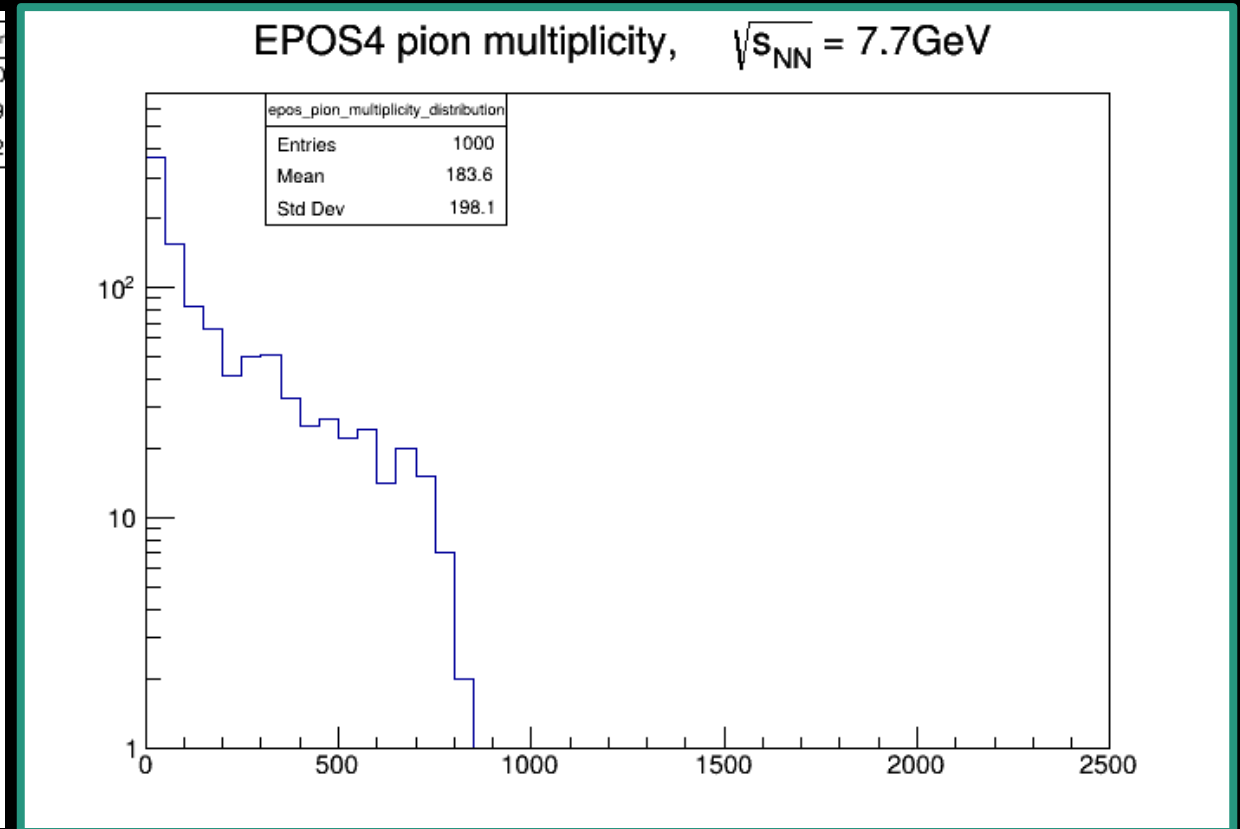
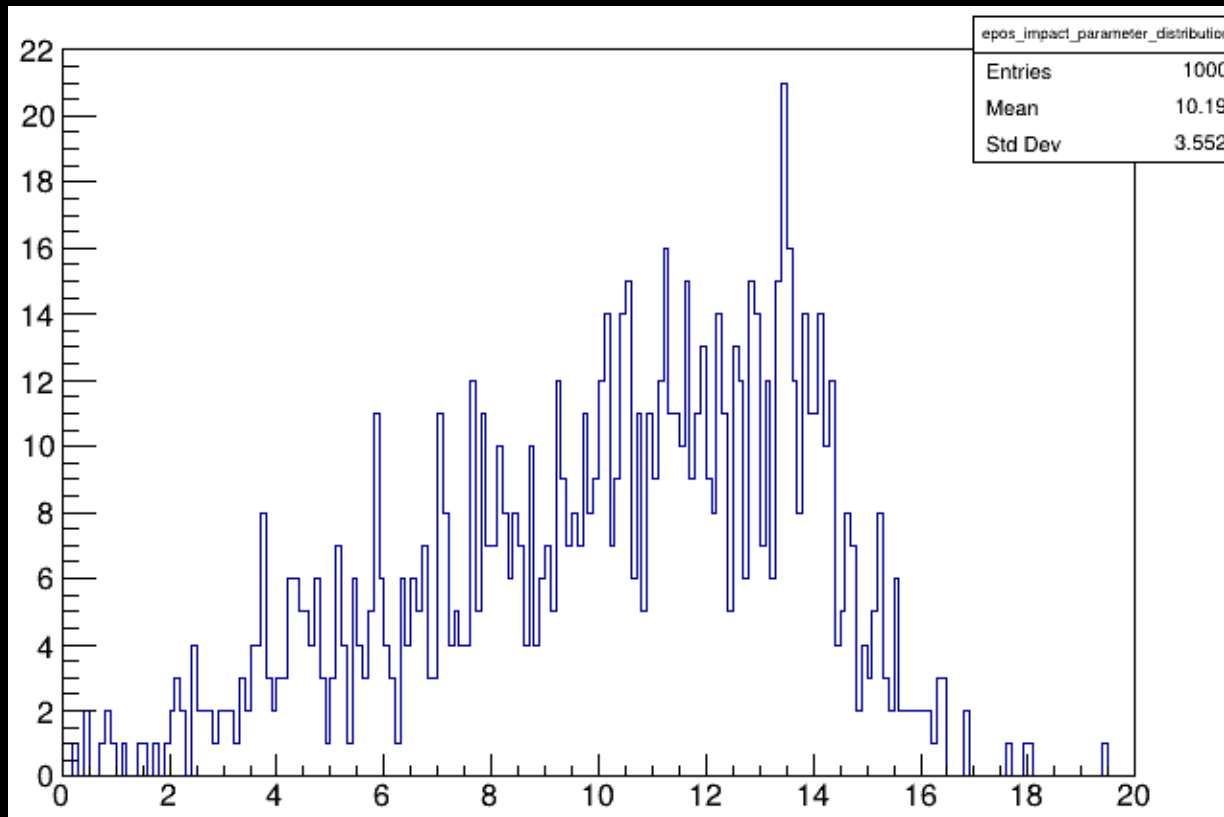
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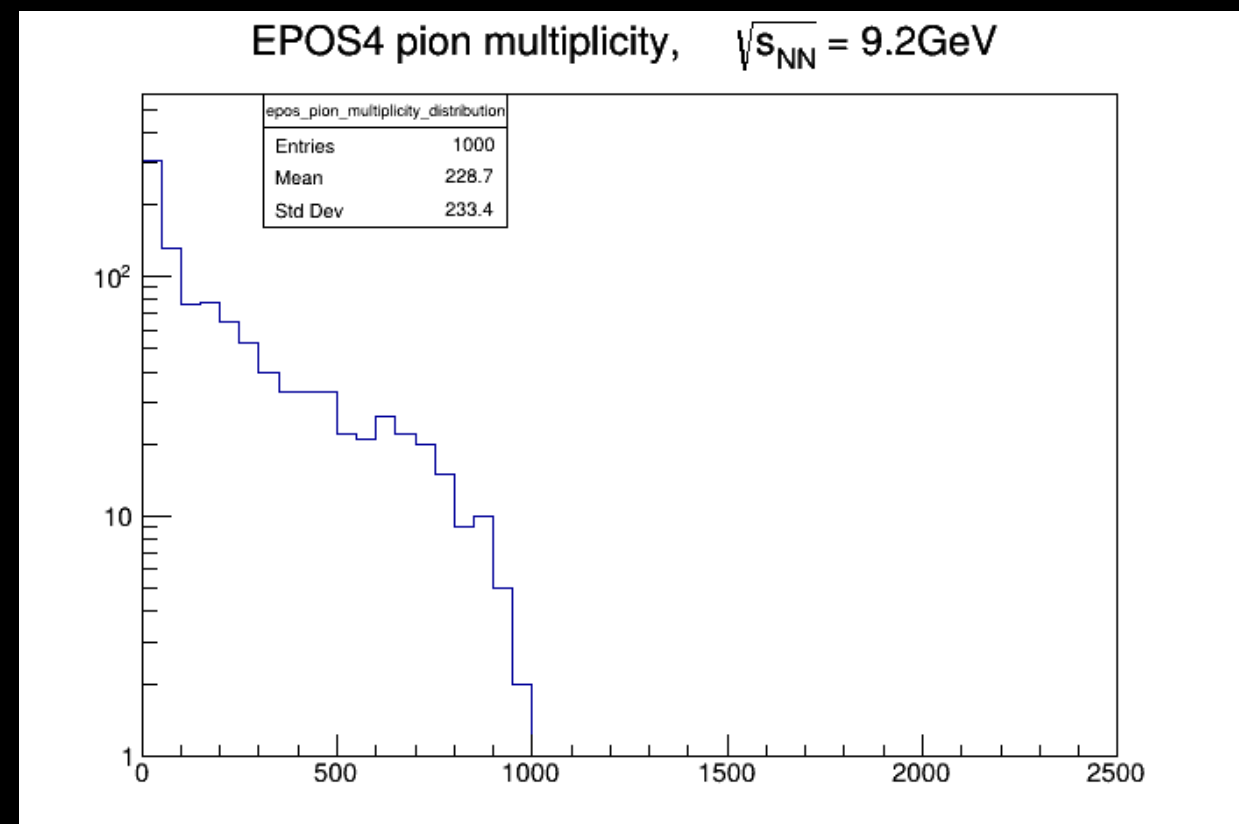
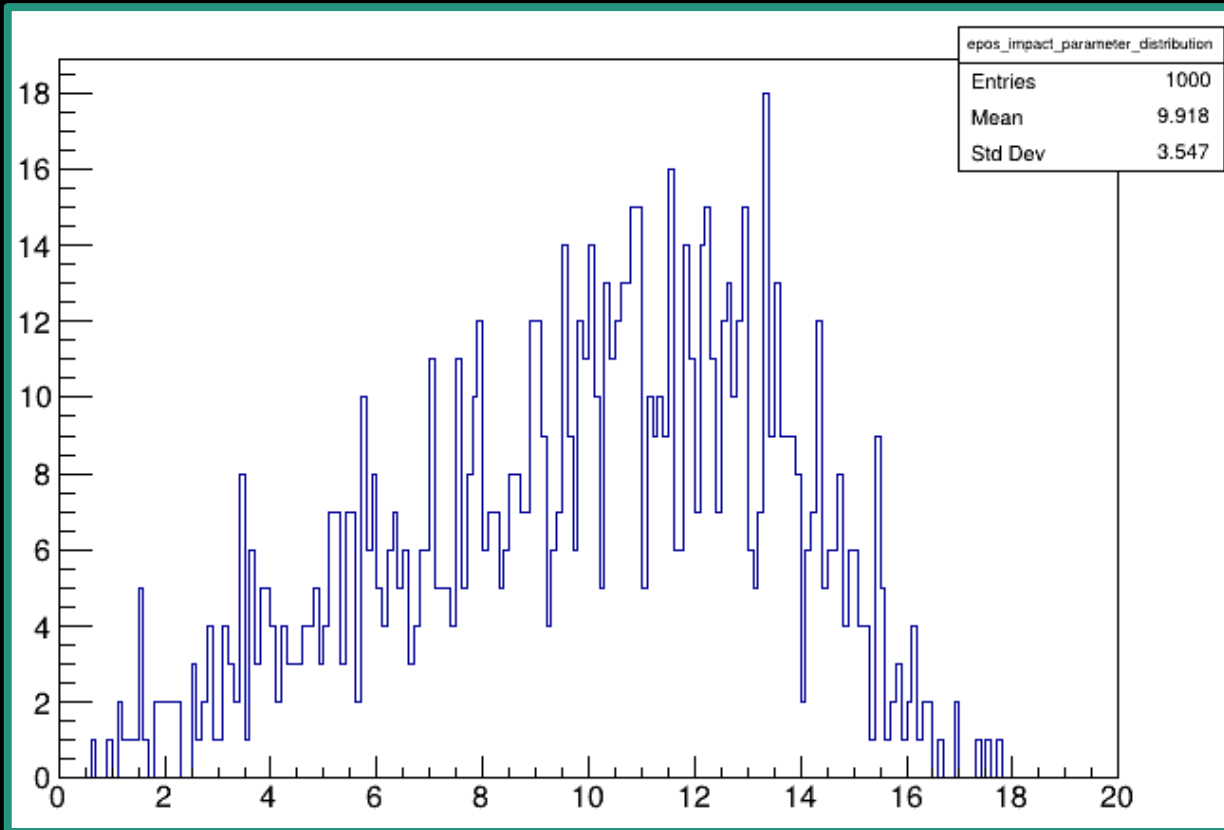
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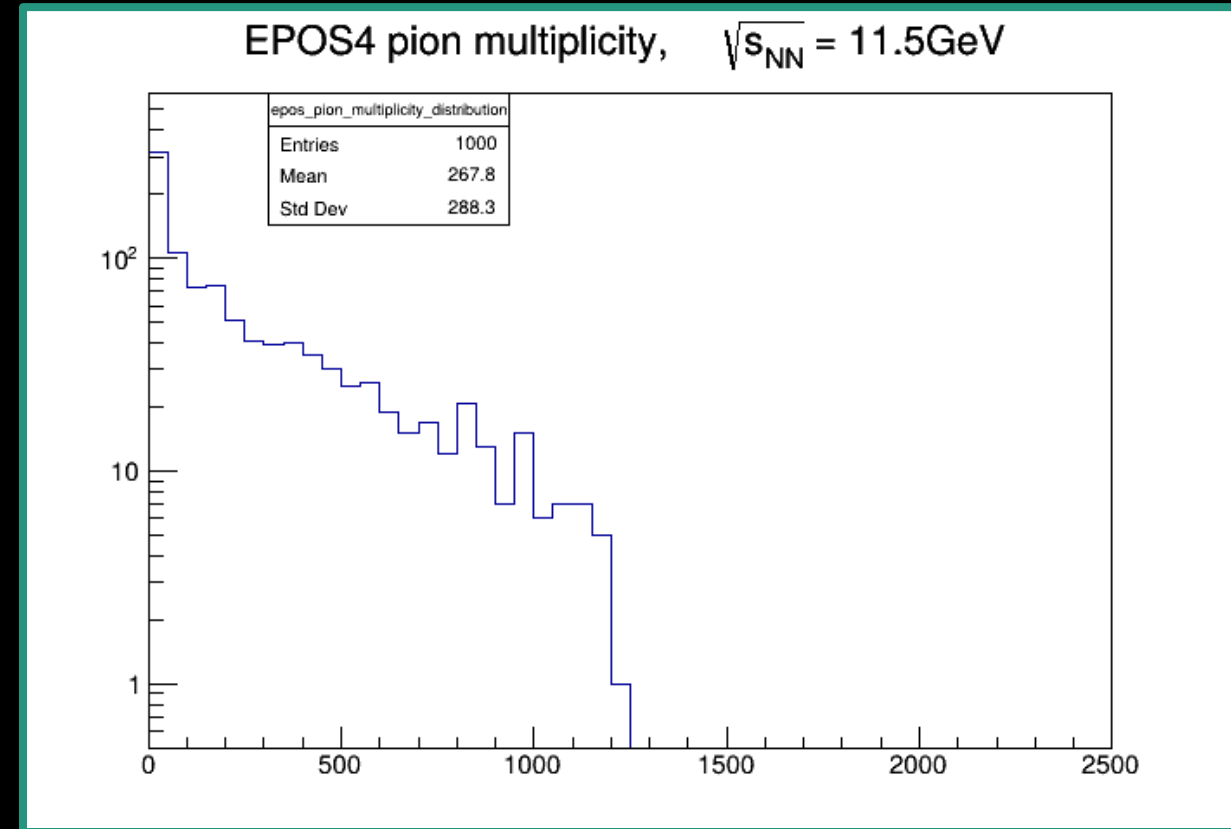
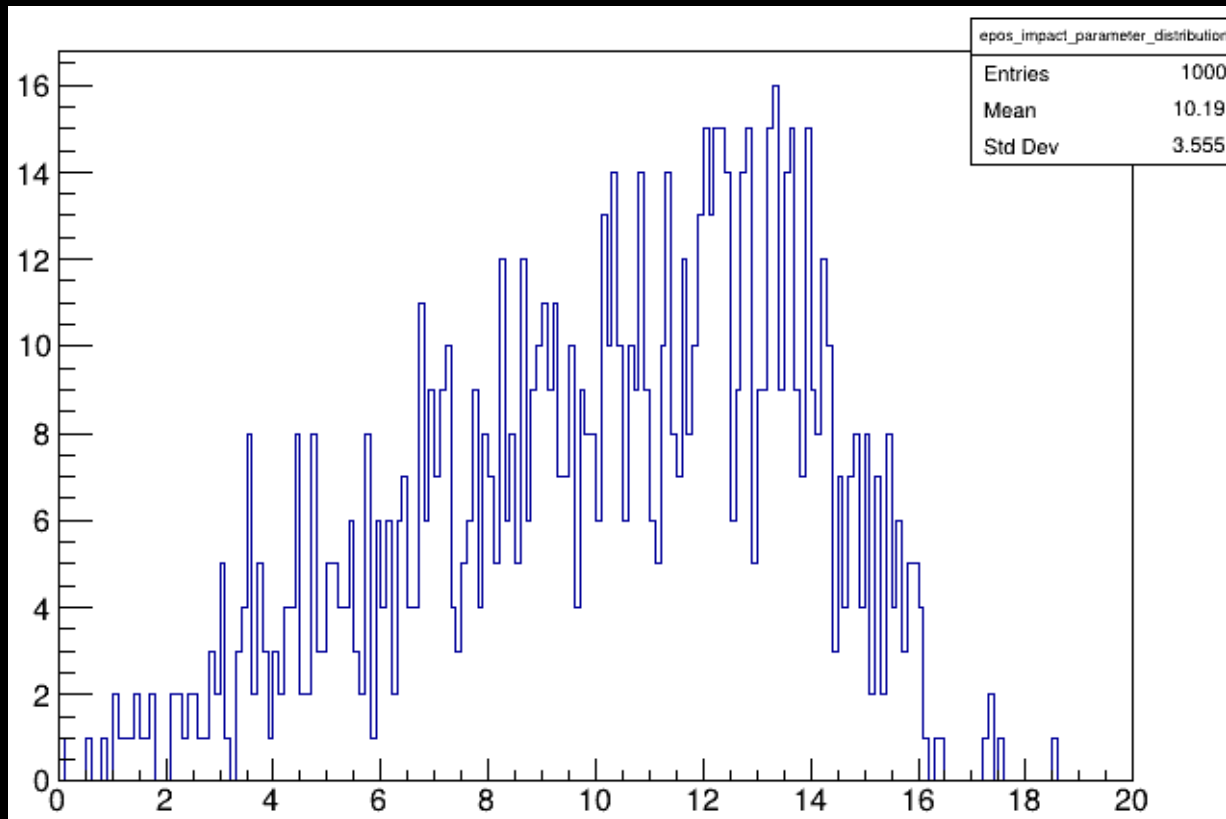
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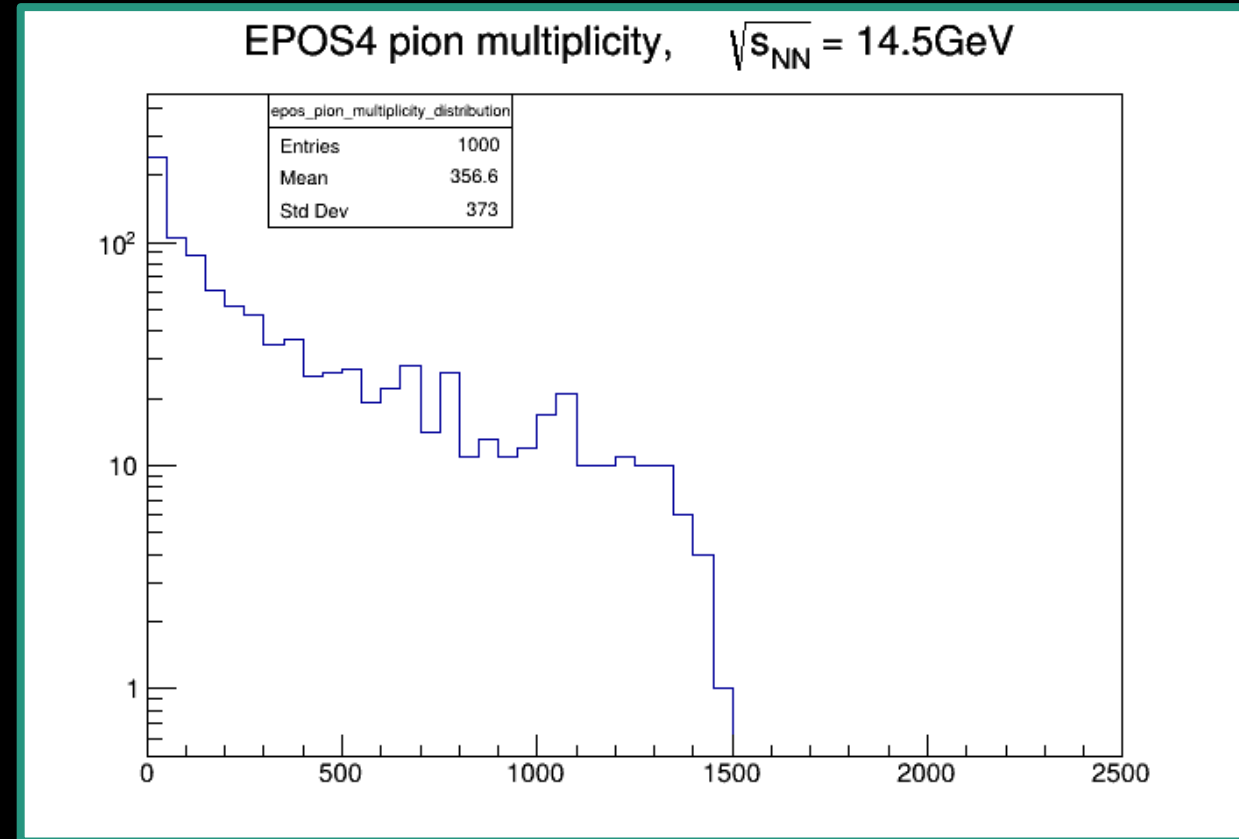
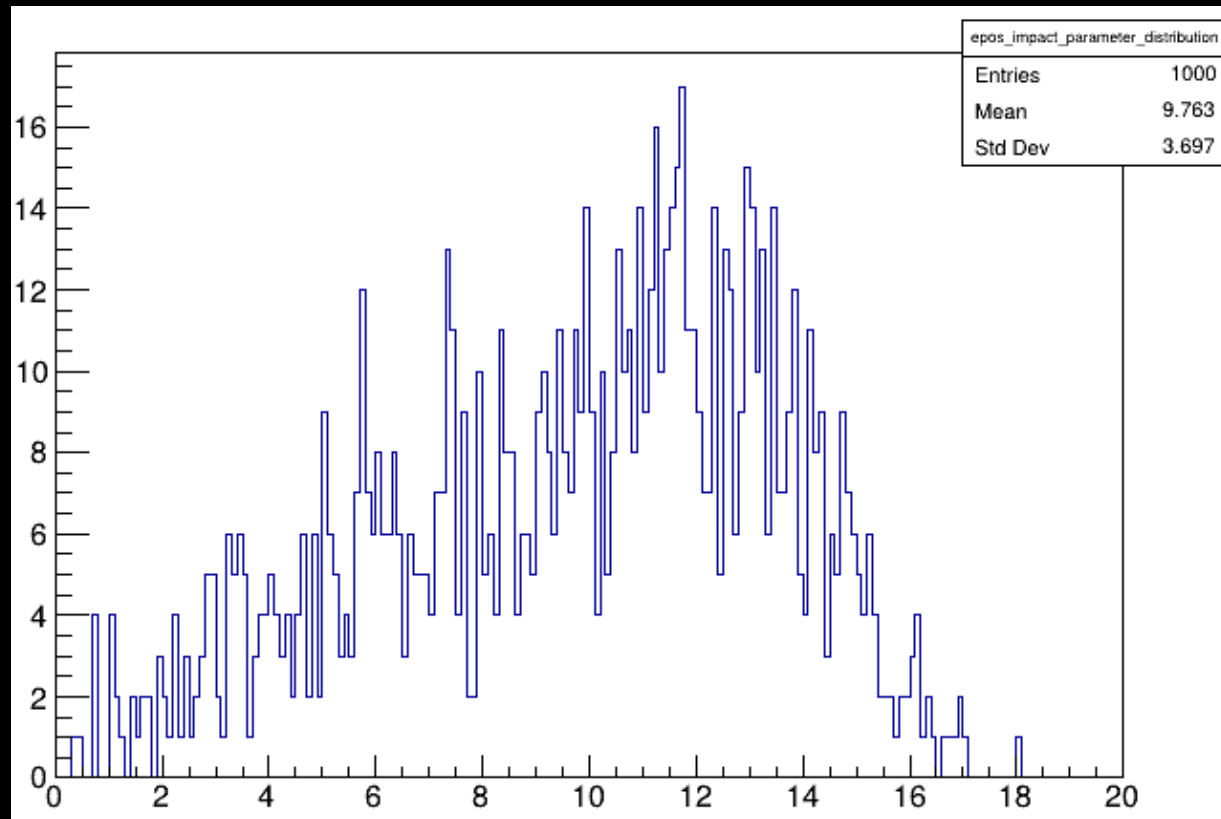
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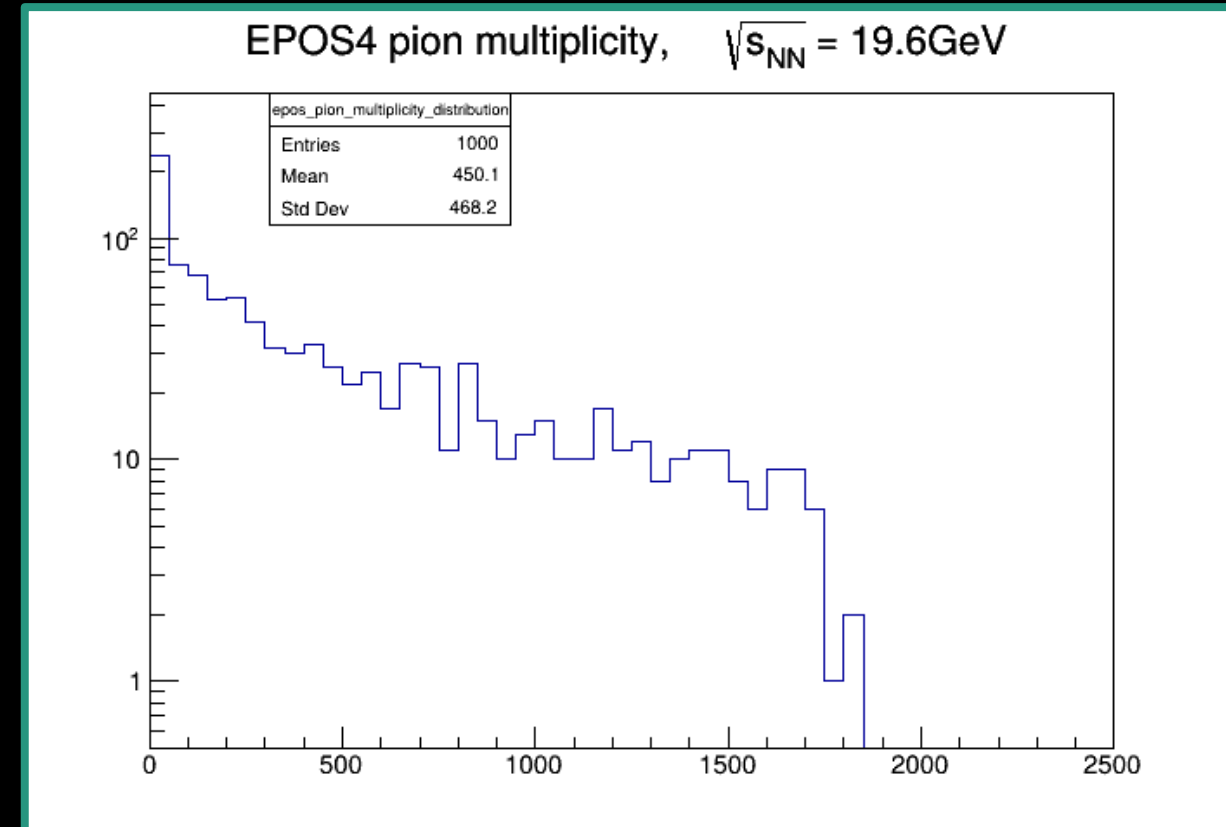
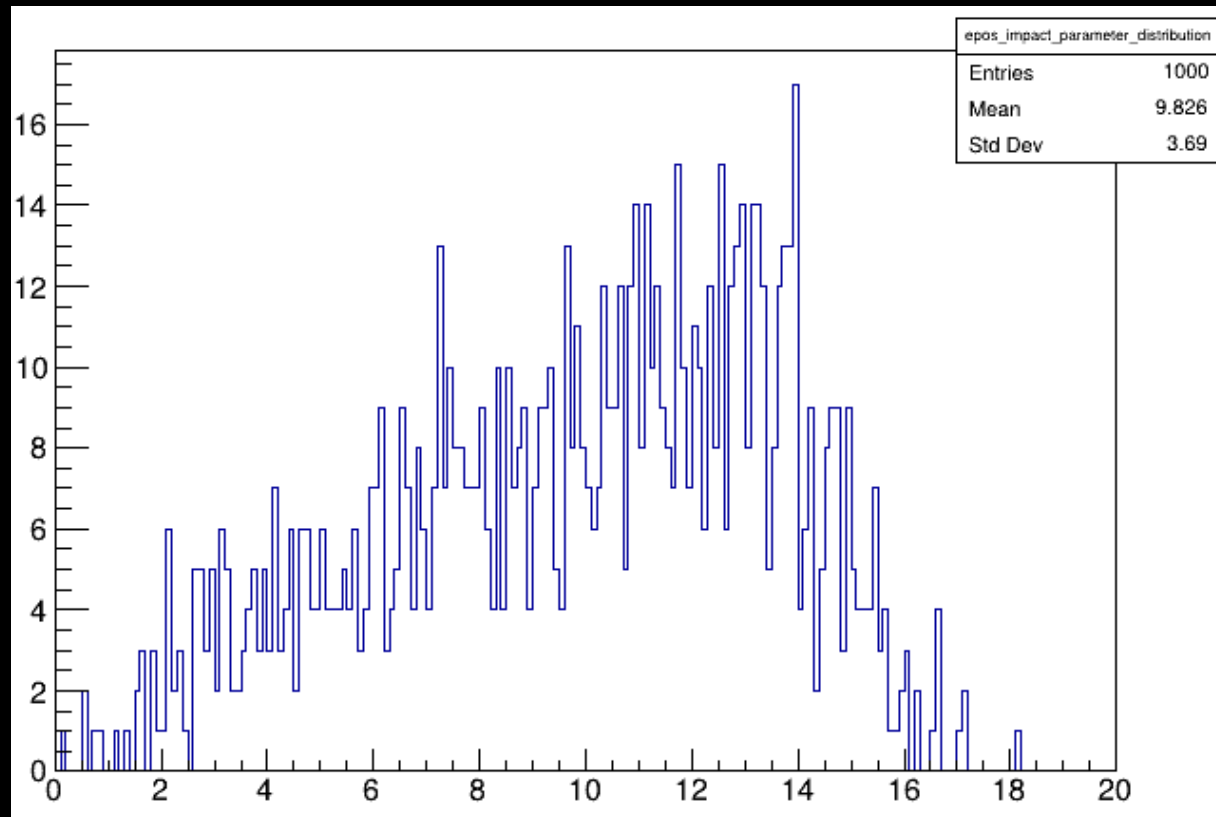
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IMPACT PARAMETER (BIM) AND NPART DISTRIBUTIONS, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 19.6$ GeV



IMPACT PARAMETER (BIM) AND NPART DISTRIBUTIONS, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 27$ GeV

