



A first look at angular SDCS

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S(D)DCS measurements: ingredients

$$\frac{d\sigma_i}{dE, d\theta} = \frac{Y_i}{N_{12C} \times N_{t,S} \times BW_E \times BW_\theta \times \Omega(\theta) \times \epsilon_{rec}(E, \theta) \times \epsilon_{sel}(E, \theta)}$$

- N_{12C} is measured from the SC
- $N_{t,S}$ is the number of nuclei of the C and Au target(s)
- Binning is chosen to have a decent statistics:
 - most of the published/available/existing data covers a much wider angular range, so not useful for comparisons :(
- The angular acceptance is being measured from MC simulations [B. Liu]
 - depending on the track angles
- Efficiencies are **still** under evaluation (but we can expect big factors probably only for protons...

Counting the ^{12}C ions

- Since we Used a minimum bias trigger (trigger fires whenever the SC gives a signal) the carbon ions counting is really easy: count the triggers!
 - `TATRrawHit::Pattern() && TAGntuEventInfo::trig==1`
 - For now I forget the double carbons (negligible rate, **being checked**)
 - For now I also forget the “fake signals”: is that really a Carbon whenever the SC fires? (still believed a negligible contribution but **being checked**)
- Once we count the SC trigger we are basically fine: the dead time and SC efficiency are already taken into account in the “master formula”, since I need to normalize to triggered carbons!

Normalization: Ongoing work

→ Check the carbon hit timing

- Frequency of arrival?
- More than 1 carbon in 30ns?
- Check for "multiple peaks" in the QDC spectrum (not the case, already checked)

S(D)DCS measurements: target

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- Eleuterio managed to compute $N_{t,S}$ for our carbon target
 - Target weight: 13.25 g
 - Target Area: 366.781 mm²
 - Target thickness 8.08 mm
 - density : 4.48 g/cm³: **value ~2*known carbon density!**
- $N_{t,S}$ can be computed as
 - density*thickness* N_A /mol weight (12.0107)
- For now **assumed** a 1% relative uncertainty

Solid angle

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→ For the A and SA

- How many tracks from the target are ending inside our detector? compute this for LA and SA analysis

→ Strategy

- Center ourselves in the target, covering the FULL Beam Spot [check the effect of the spread] and shoot [in 2π] fragment with flat p and θ distr
- Measure the fraction of tracks that leave a signal inside our detector, and weight the geometrical solid angle with this factor.

→ To start we performed a rough calculation assuming a circular crown of $\Delta\theta^\circ$ aperture to calculate Ω

- The uncertainty is fixed to 5% relative (big uncertainty)
- Working on this item together with B. Liu to measure Ω from MC



Efficiencies



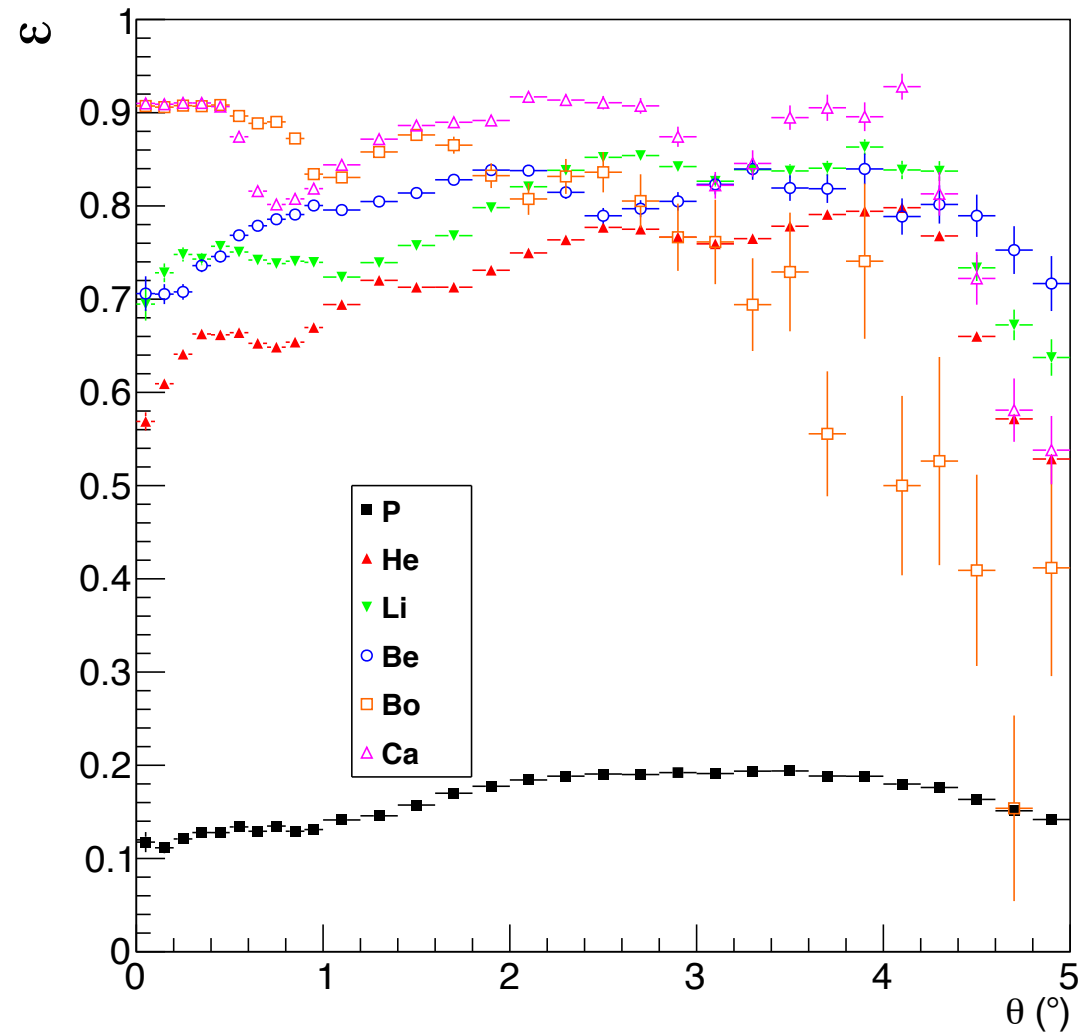
Reconstruction/Tracking efficiencies

- Once we have a track in our MC how good are we at reconstructing it?
- For each event:
 - At Truth level: "A' la Didier" method [biased from Fluka fragmentation model]
 - We pre-select charged particles, require a carbon from the generation region, and fragments from the target only (we do not take into account ALL the possible tracks in the vtx/FIRST detector)
 - Then the tracks are required to go inside the Kentros Window (to be defined as "reconstructible")
 - We remove secondary fragmentation: if a carbon survives the Target and THEN fragments I do not consider it!
 - We require a track that is SCORED in the vtx (and by doing this we ensure that the fragment exits from the target)
- So the efficiency that we compute is not only the tracking efficiency but also the
 - Vtx reconstruction * ToF reconstruction * tracking efficiency
 - Pretty much what we need to convert the yield in a cross section measurement!

ε vs θ distributions (all tracks)

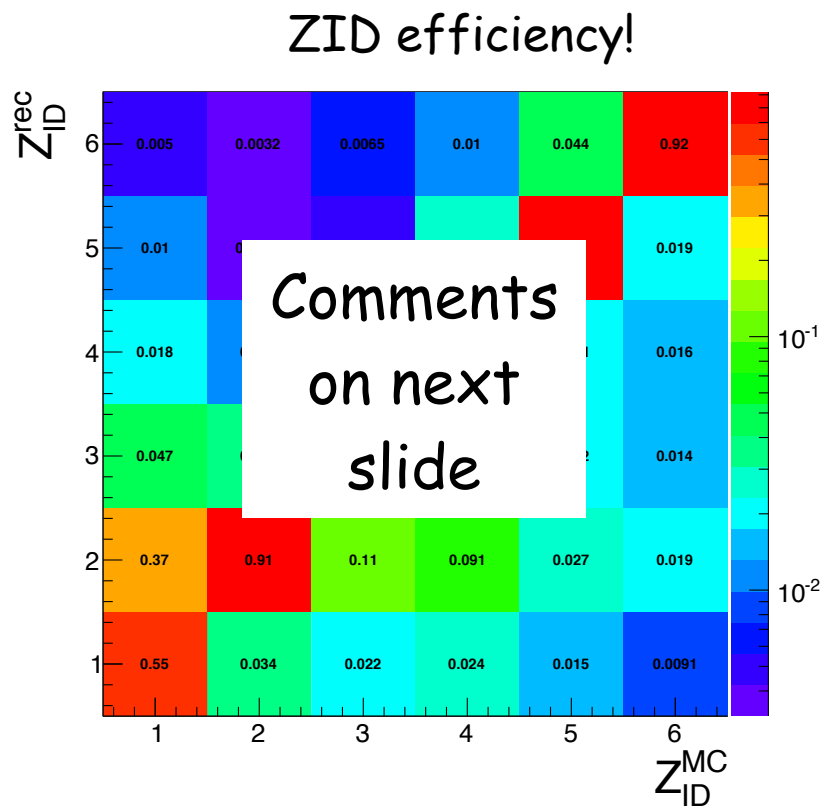
→ Statistical uncertainty only

- Proton spectra is being checked right now
- Strategies to assess systematics are being investigated

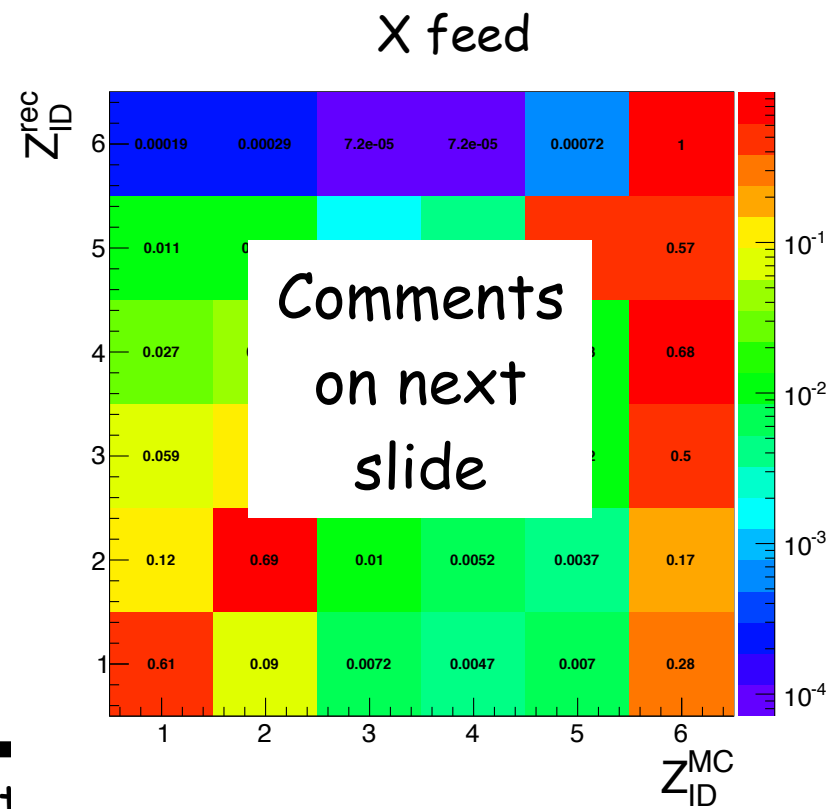


ZID efficiency AND Xfeed

- Trying to evaluate the efficiency of our algorithms and the Xfeed in our mass spectra **directly using reconstructed tracks.**
 - For each reconstructed track I do look at what was the TRUE charge of the fragment and this is how this matrixes are filled. [beware of the LOG z scale]
 - Normalization is done to the column [eff.] or the row [Xfeed]
 - Most important info comes from the ROW [how many times what I reconstruct as an X fragment is really X and how many times is some Y or Z]



ALL tracks!
True charge comes from the MC block using pixels associated to the reconstructed track!



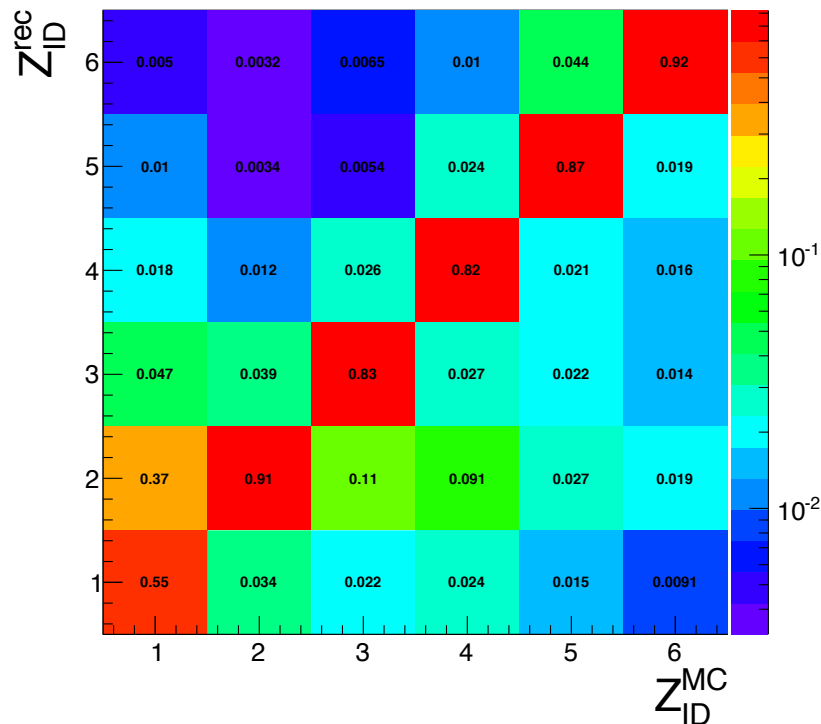
ZID efficiency AND Xfeed

- Charge ID efficiency is around 90% (except for protons where we are @ 50% level)
- The X feed for all tracks is quite high: we end up with a large pollution from carbons everywhere

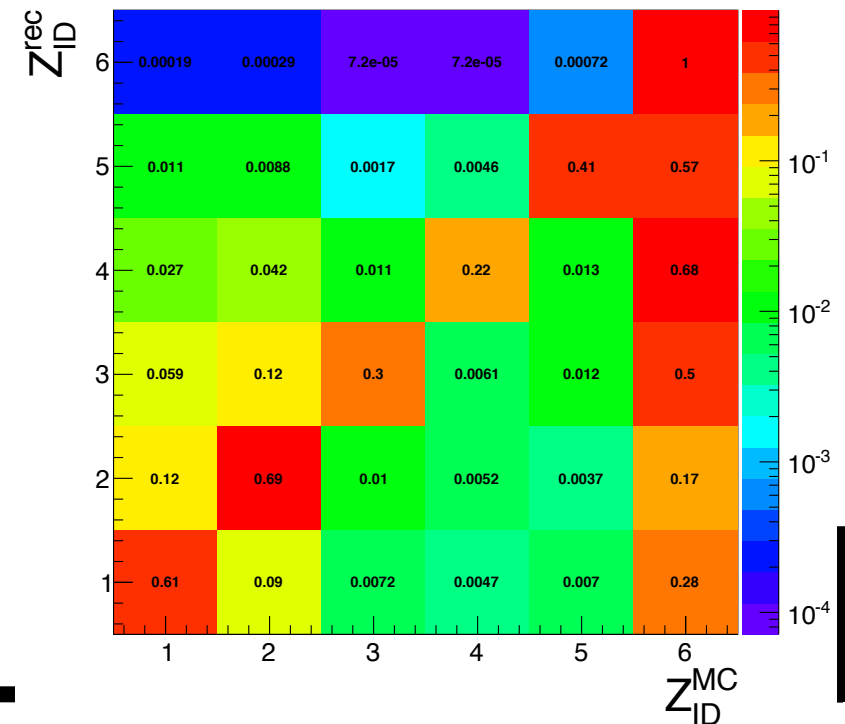


ZID efficiency!

X feed



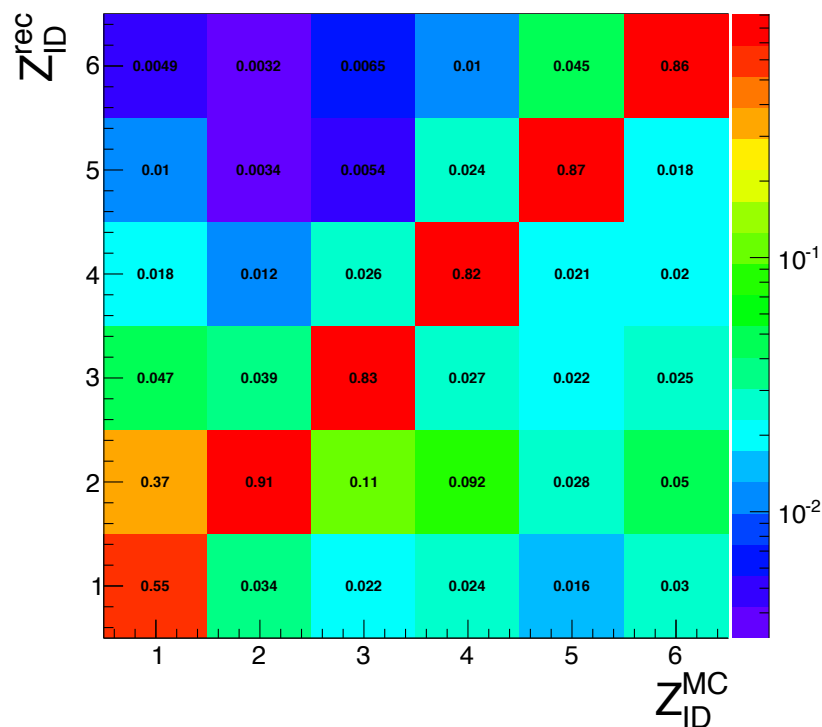
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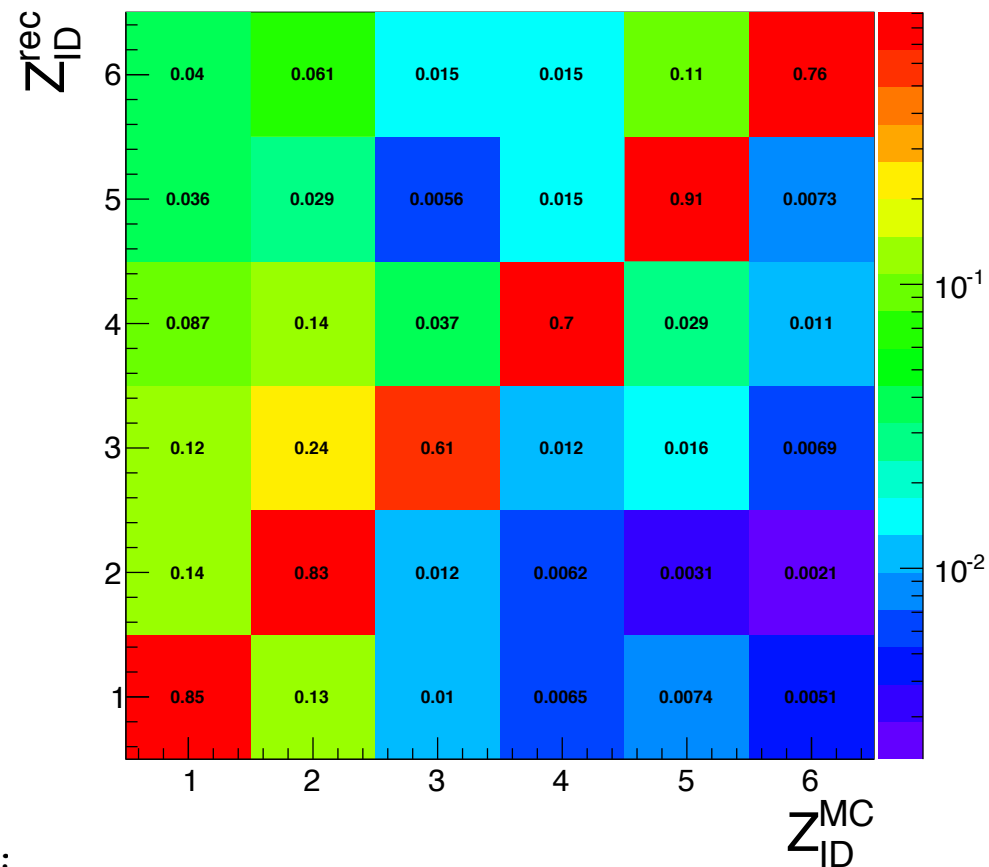
ZID efficiency AND Xfeed (II)

- Situation is greatly improved for "fragmented" events:
 - Same efficiency
 - Xfeed is greatly reduced
- Fragmented event is flagged using the track multiplicity of the Vertex object associated to a given track

ZID efficiency!



Fragmented events



Systematic uncertainties

→ Study done by Sam.

uncertainties are inflated by a factor
10 for presentation purposes!

$$C_{i,j} = \begin{matrix} & j \\ i & \left(\begin{array}{cccccc} \mathbf{35.832 \pm 0.9504} & 30.686 \pm 0.1105 & 16.569 \pm 0.1235 & 7.485 \pm 0.2897 & 4.042 \pm 0.1507 & 5.386 \pm 0.2117 \\ 0.874 \pm 0.0817 & \mathbf{78.439 \pm 0.9882} & 9.073 \pm 0.3797 & 9.167 \pm 0.4279 & 1.735 \pm 0.1729 & 0.713 \pm 0.0720 \\ 0.042 \pm 0.0035 & 0.675 \pm 0.0552 & \mathbf{63.907 \pm 1.3258} & 17.876 \pm 1.5625 & 12.021 \pm 0.9797 & 5.478 \pm 0.1087 \\ 0.071 \pm 0.1173 & 0.802 \pm 0.1389 & 0.341 \pm 0.3370 & \mathbf{59.072 \pm 3.1289} & 21.933 \pm 1.2609 & 17.781 \pm 1.6443 \\ 0.061 \pm 0.0064 & 0.183 \pm 0.0199 & 0.122 \pm 0.0129 & 0.339 \pm 0.0860 & \mathbf{67.347 \pm 1.5780} & 31.949 \pm 1.5468 \\ 0.019 \pm 0.0042 & 0.080 \pm 0.0025 & 0.100 \pm 0.0011 & 0.216 \pm 0.0213 & 1.093 \pm 0.2724 & \mathbf{98.493 \pm 0.7655} \end{array} \right) \end{matrix}$$

where i is the Z value from Monte Carlo and j is the Z value evaluated from the Z-ID algorithm.

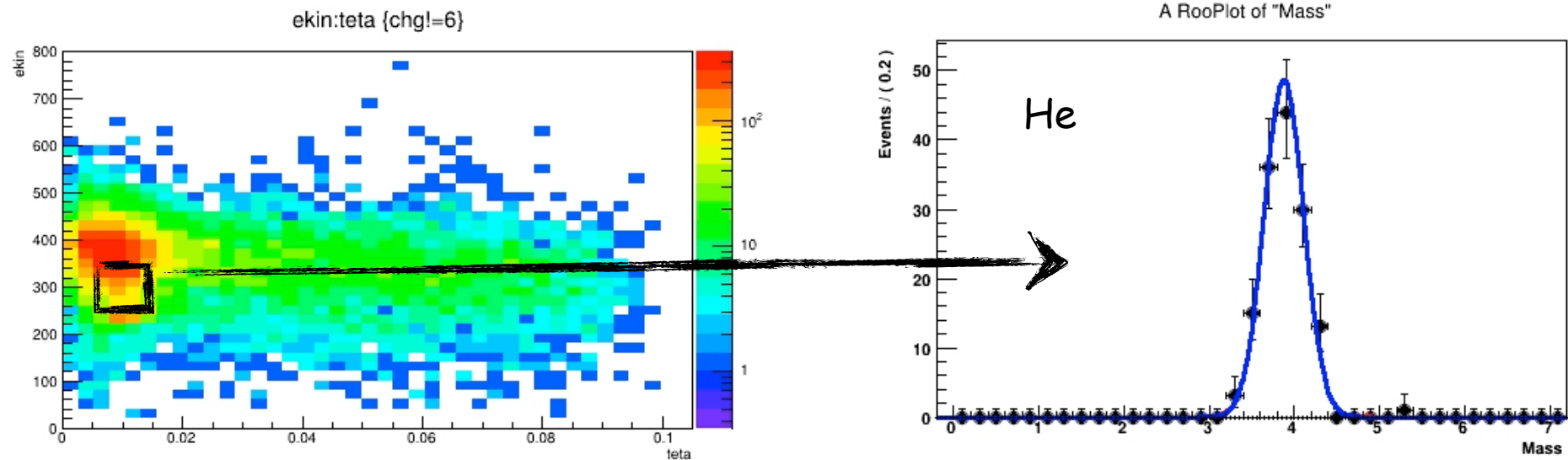
I'd like to redo it taking into account the tracking procedure and evaluate the impact on the final number to be used in the analysis

How to compute yields

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Used unbinned likelihood fits (to avoid binning effects with low statistics bins)

Select a given bin in kinetic energy AND/OR angle and perform a fit to the invariant mass distribution!



Fitting

- Huge work to control the fits on a wide region of angle, kin energy:
 - Focused on angular distributions (well behaved wrt the energy ones that show strange spectra)
 - Refined signal model
 - Refined bkg model
 - Not yet taking into account the crossfeed from fragments misid [“the hardest part”]
- Done an extensive study to understand how well we control the shapes and the yields comparing data and MC
- A careful study of the bkg (on MC events has yet to be done!)

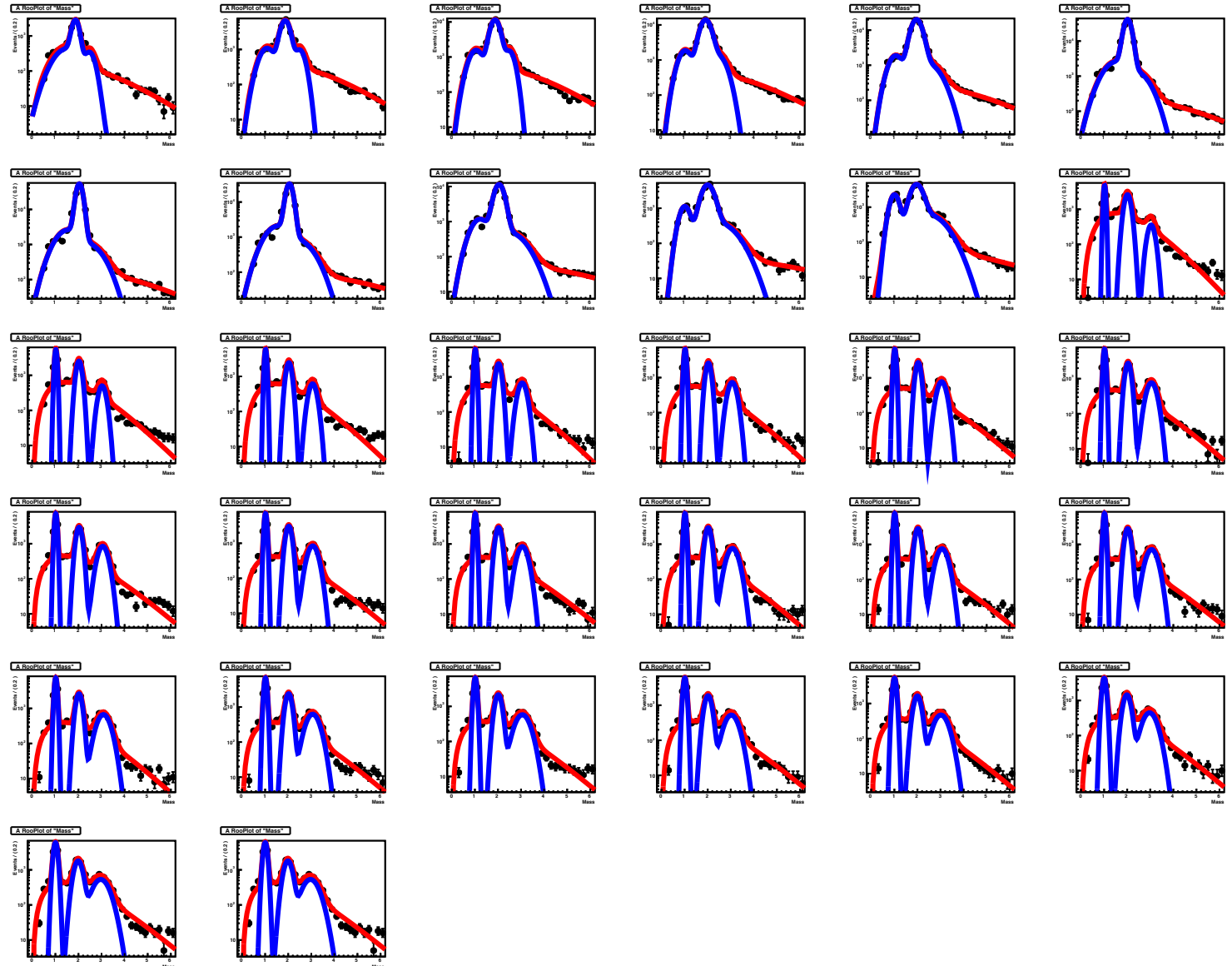
Overall sample plot

→ Blue:

- 3 gaussians (signal Pr, D, T)

→ Red:

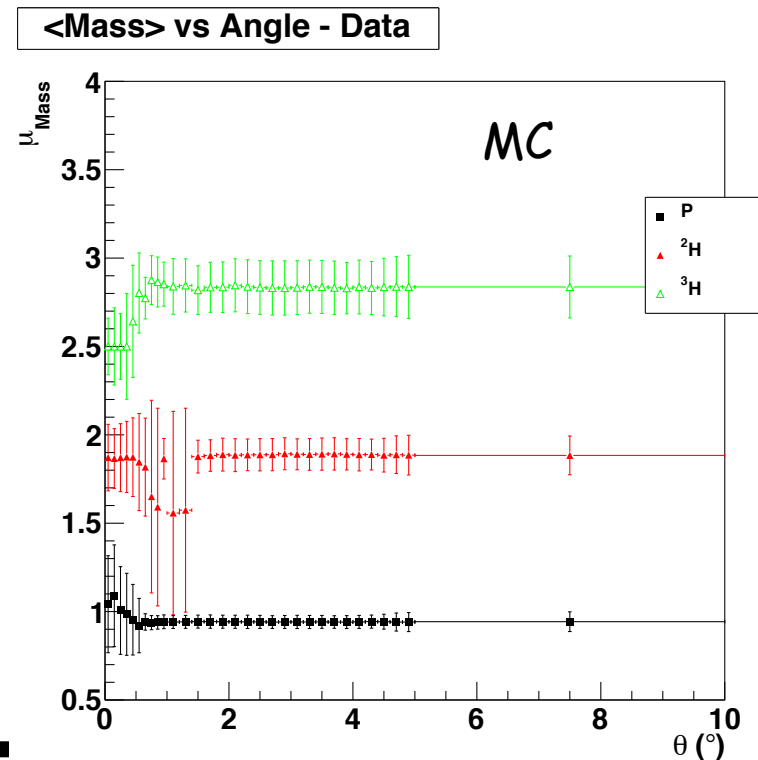
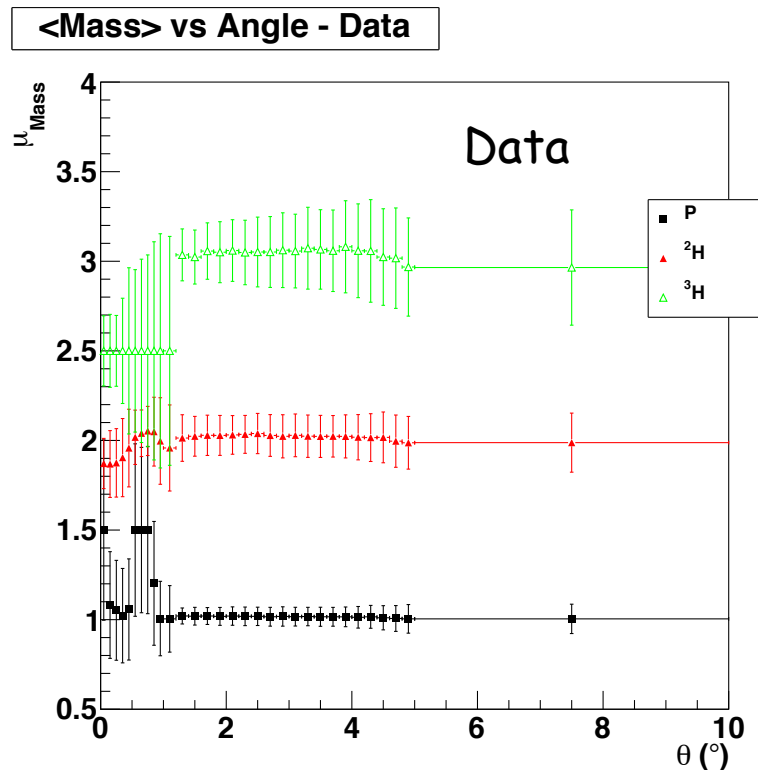
- gamma function (bkg) + signal



Is the model/fitting under control

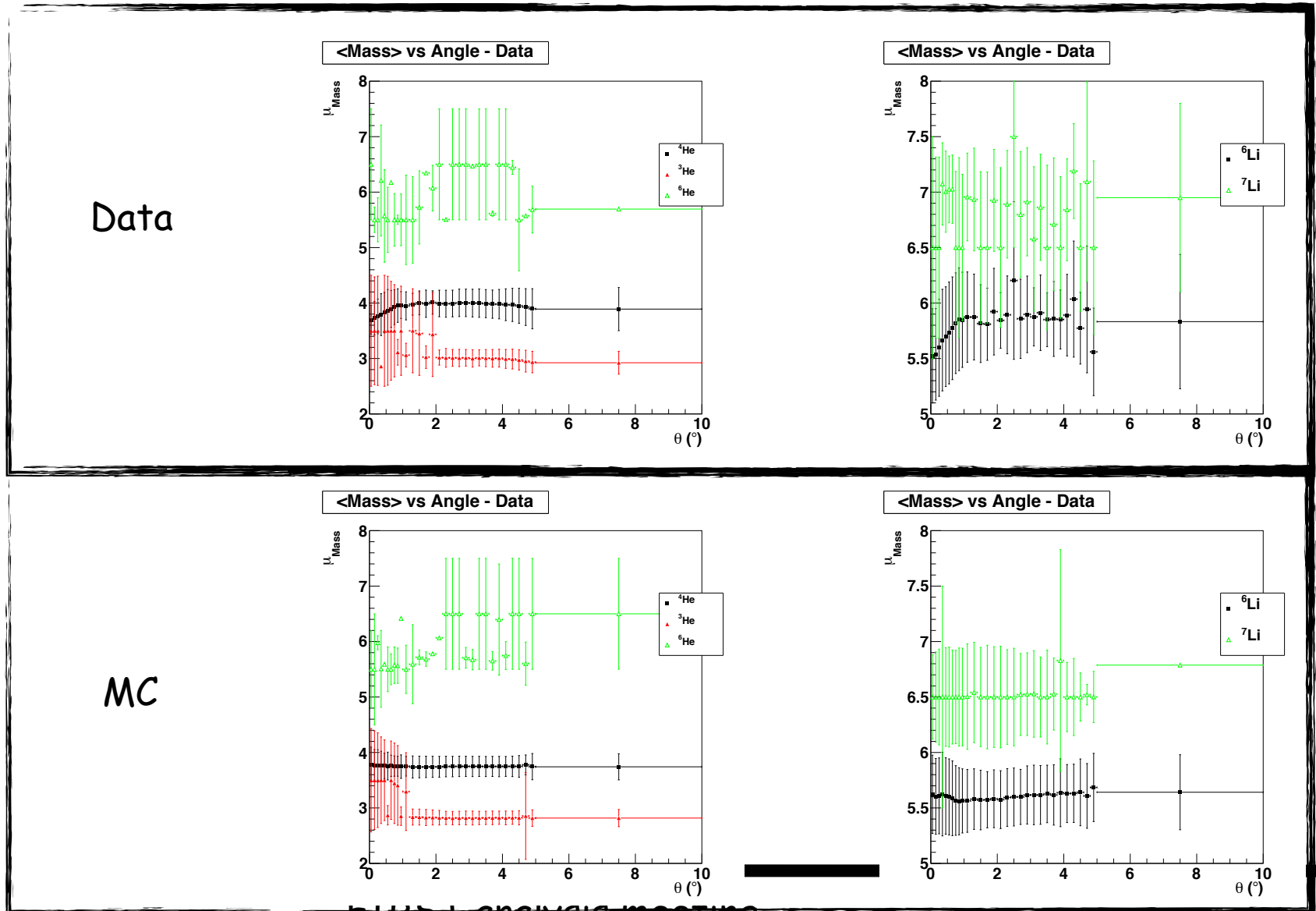
→ Fit model: stability and goodness checks....

- Info from the signal characteristics in "clean" regions can be used to improve fit quality in presence of high bkg [first bins]
- Small differences if restricting to only fragmented events (quality of the fit changes really just in the very first bins where the carbon pollution is highest)



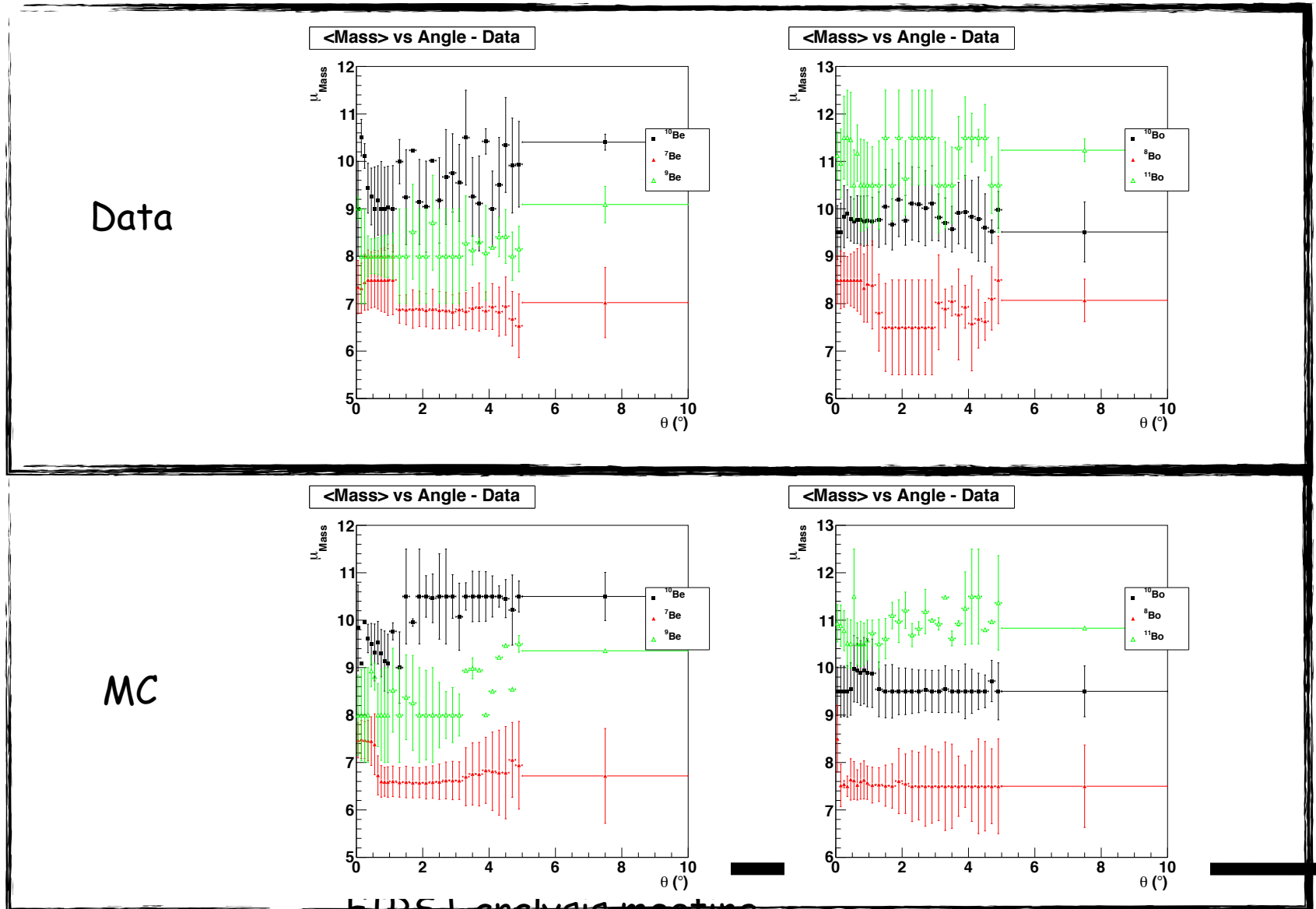
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Data/MC scale difference (Be, Bo)

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Putting everything together

→ Uncertainty:

- assuming all uncertainties are uncorrelated.

→ For now only statistical uncertainties are considered.

- $\sigma(N_{t,s})$ assumed 1% [comes from density, probably overestimated, Eleuterio?]
- $\sigma(N_{12c})$ assumed $\sqrt{N_{12c}}$: we are counting the carbons from the SC, poissonian error.
- $\sigma(N_i)$ from fit (statistical only)
- solid angle: assume 5% uncertainty [should be lower as soon as we start to use our MC]
- $\sigma(\epsilon_{sel,rec})$: from efficiency determination itself

→ Since we use a lot of events to make all the fits/studies, the stat uncertainty is really small. Need to quickly add a systematic uncertainty to ensure the result robustness for publication.

Systematics!

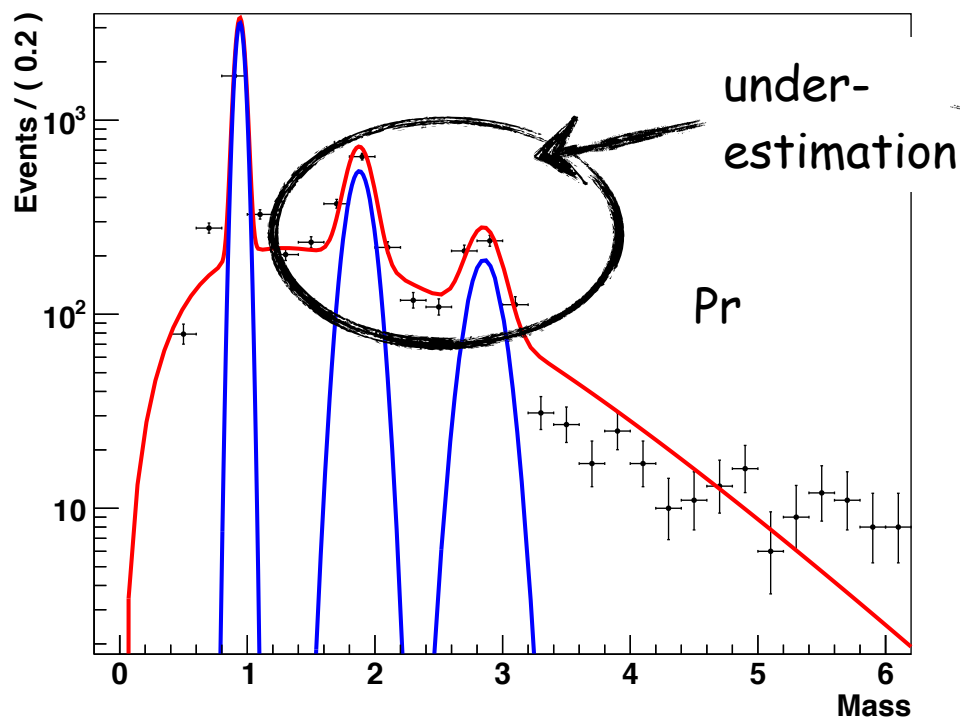
- Systematic contributions that will have to be determined ASAP.
 - $\sigma(N_{12C})$: should address the solidity of carbon counting looking for time/charge dist and assign an uncertainty.
 - $\sigma(N_i)$.. here we have several possible contributions:
 - Fit model: the fitting model has not yet really validated on MC. This is the next urgent step that we need to foresee in order to check for possible underestimation of the yields (see next slides)
 - Xfeed
 - $\sigma(\epsilon_{sel,rec})$: from efficiency determination itself

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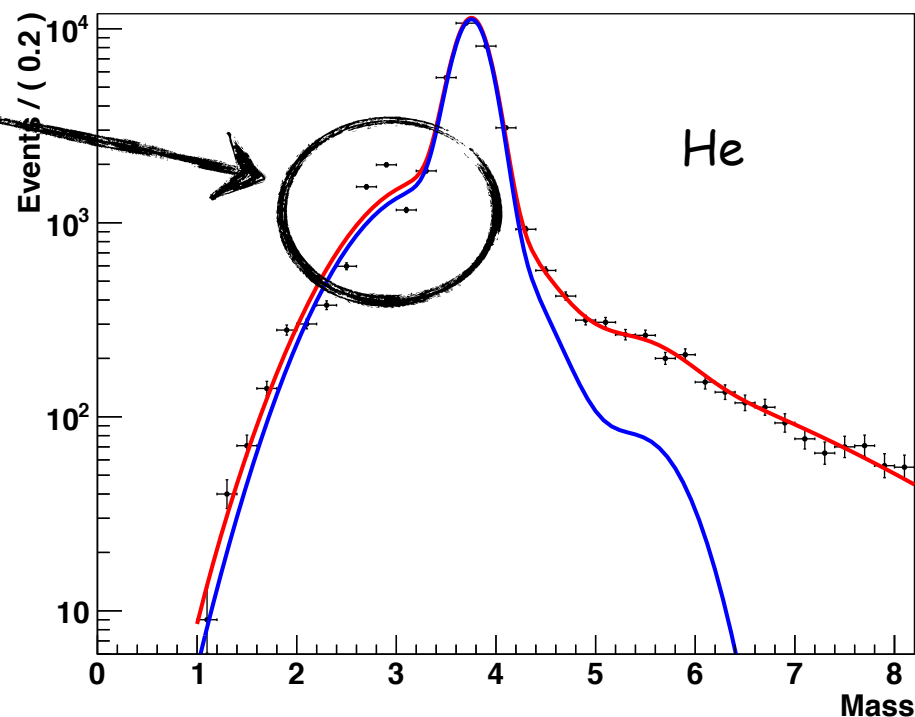
Fit model

- While the fit start to seem decent, a lot of work still has to be done in order to understand possible biases/inefficiencies/fit model dependencies.
 - Right after the meeting I will perform a quick "cut and count" check to see if we can recover some fragments... [do not expect significant contribution for high mass fragments where fit is properly "counting" the fragments]

A RooPlot of "Mass"



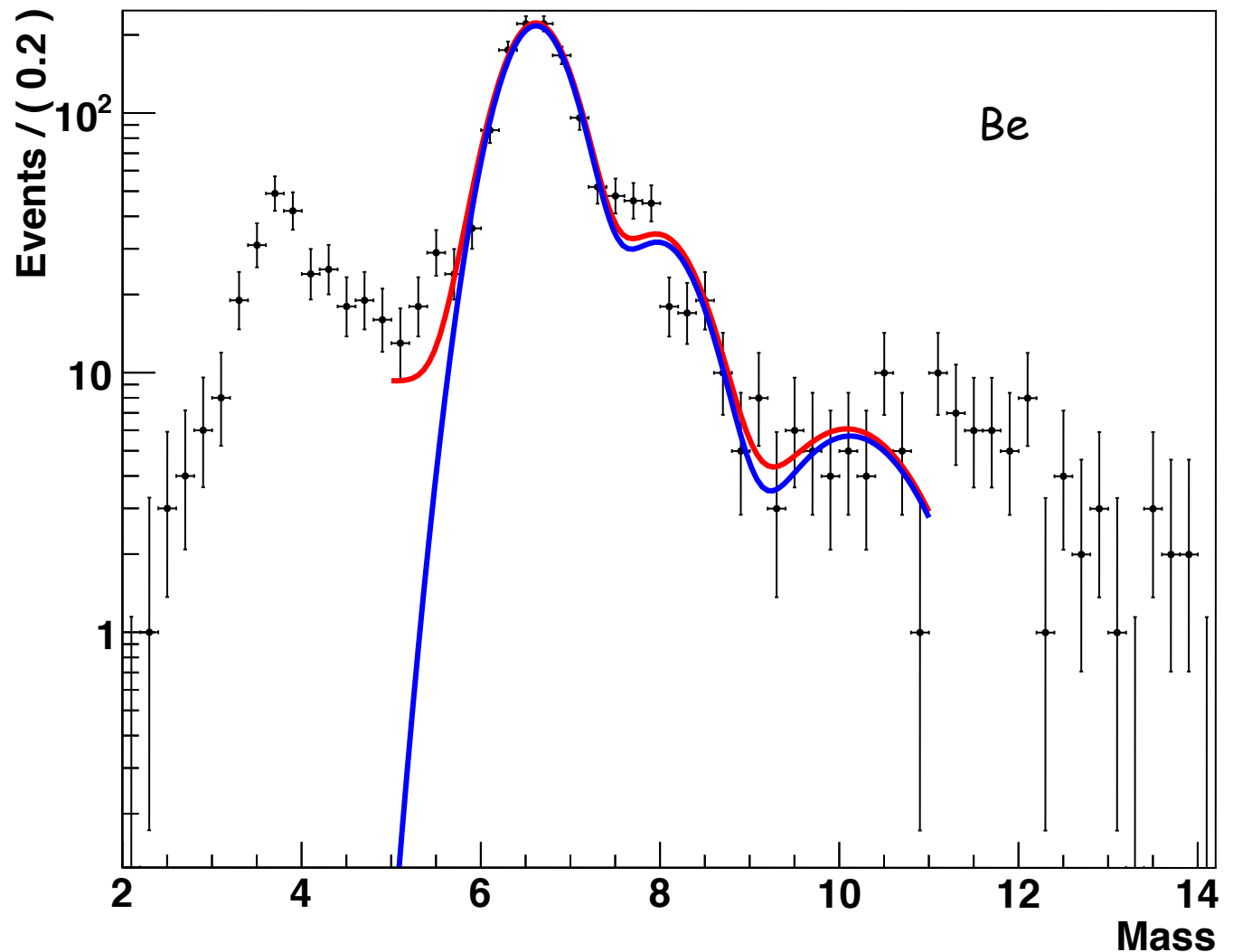
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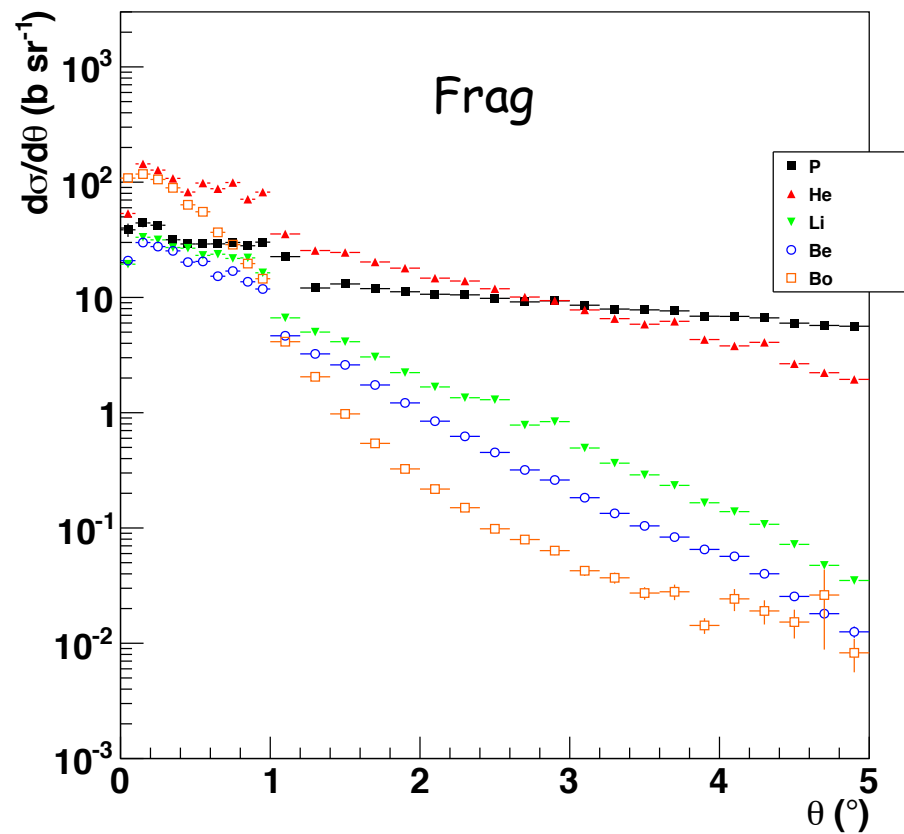
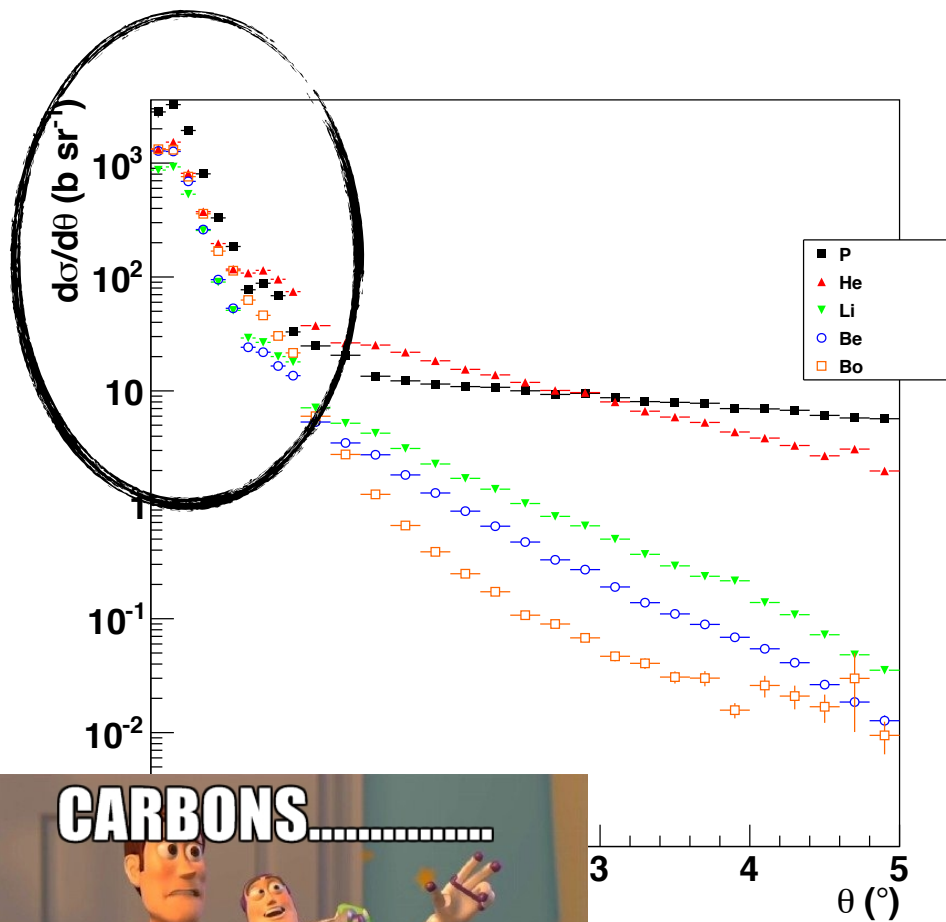


"side peaks"

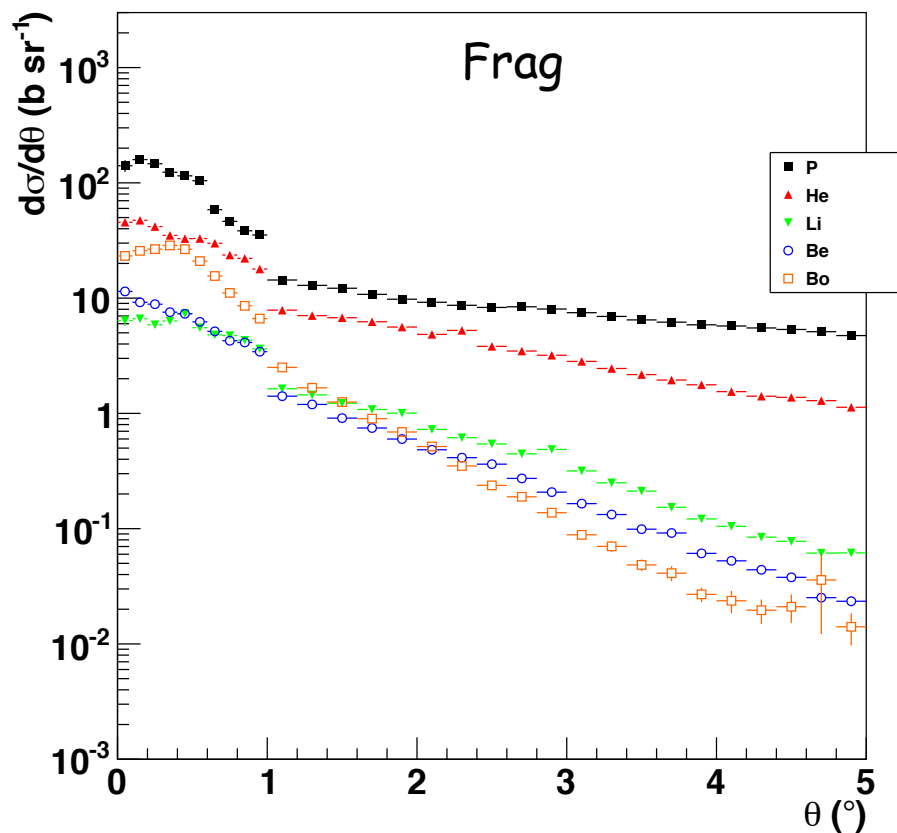
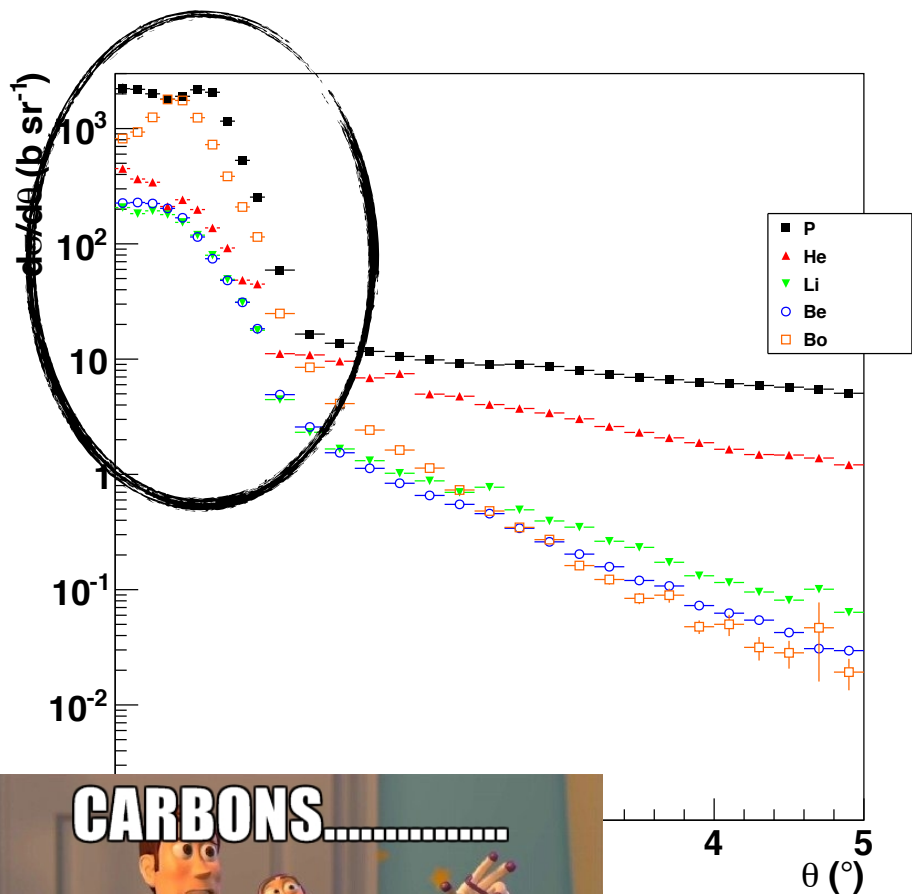
- Effects can be relevant at large angle
 - a careful MC study has to be performed to understand side peaks

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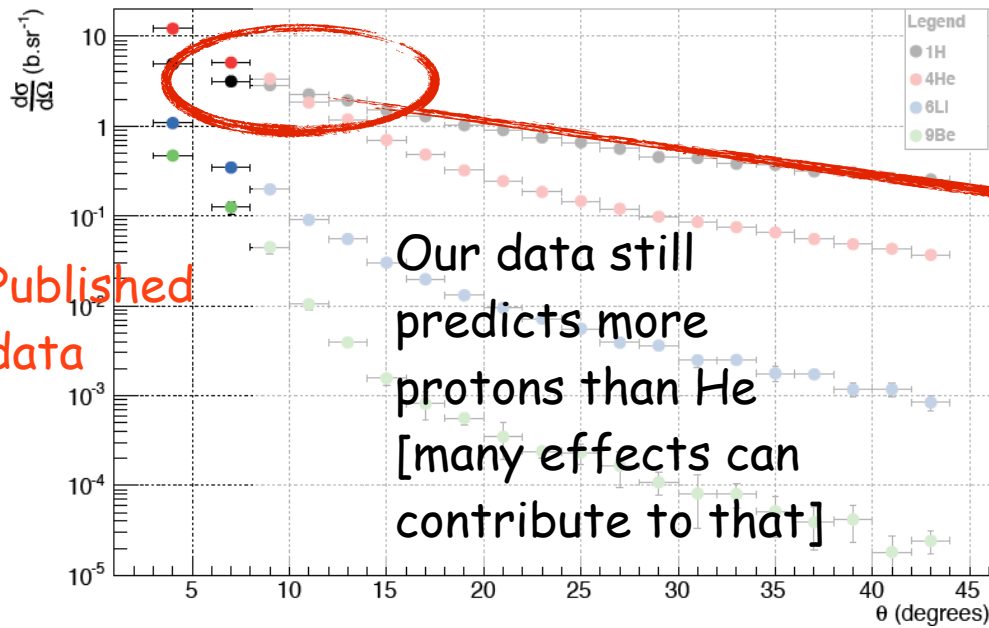


Data



data summary

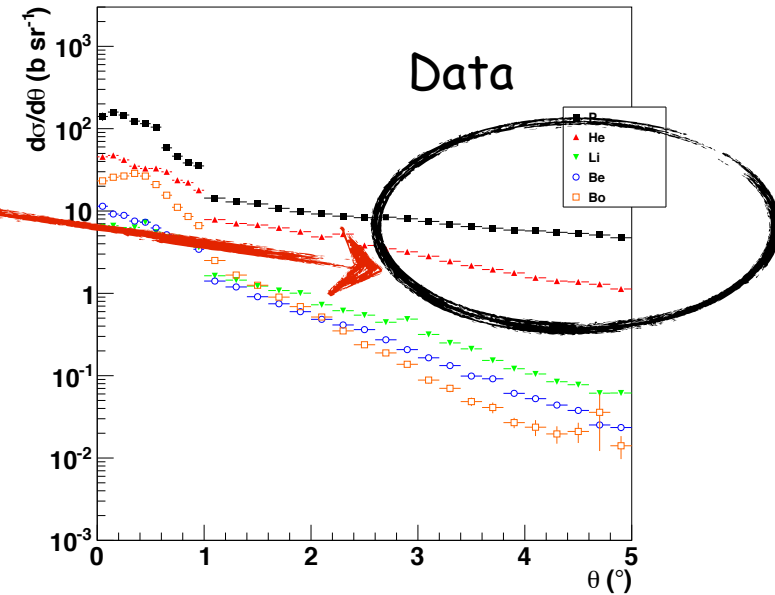
Angular Distribution : ^{12}C (95MEV/u) \rightarrow ^{12}C



Published data

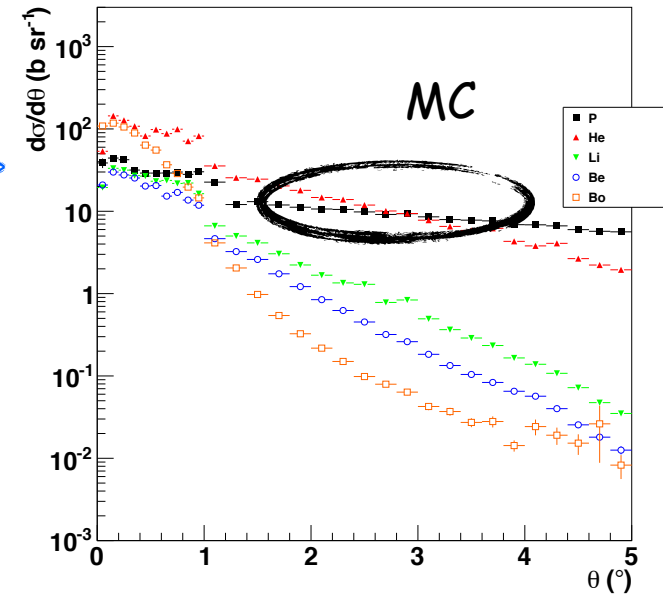
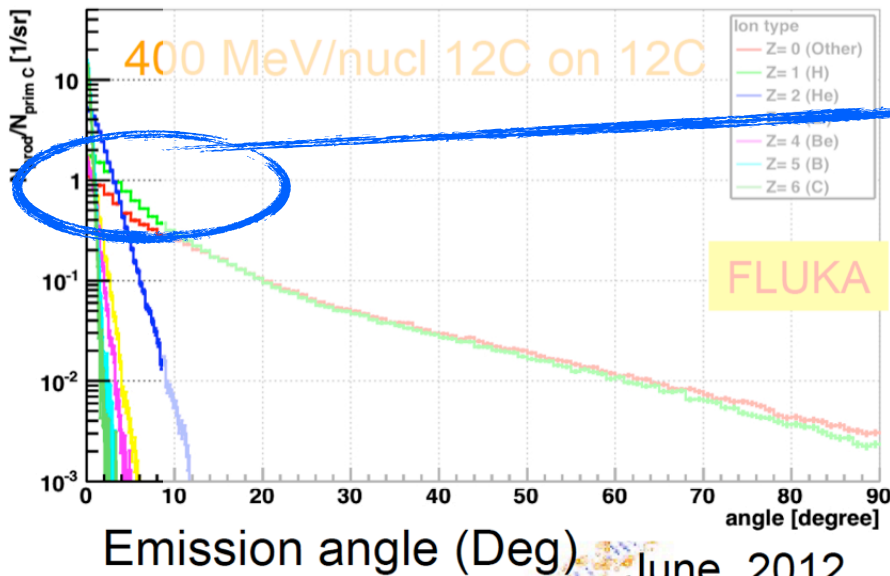
Our data still predicts more protons than He [many effects can contribute to that]

fragmented events



When comparing left and right Consider that the X axis range for our data covers just the first few bins!

Yield differential in angle for T > 30.0 MeV/n



Comparing results with Ganil

- For the charged particles detection, the setup consists of four DEthin /DEthick /E telescopes mounted two by two on two stages that allows rotation inside the chamber from 0° to 43° with 2° steps at a distance of 204 mm behind the target. The accuracy on the angles has been estimated to $\pm 1^\circ$ due to mechanical uncertainties on the position of the rotating stages. A fifth telescope was mounted downstream, at a fixed angle of 4° and a distance of 820 mm behind the target
 - This mean that the measurement taken at 4° is done integrating in the $\pm 0.65^\circ$ range... This means that if we want to compare we have to integrate our Xsection from ~ 3.4 to ~ 4.6
 - It seems to me that Flux measured by Ganil are correlated btw 7 and whatever: 2° step with a crystal that has 2.6° aperture.

TABLE VII. ^{12}C fragmentation cross sections for the carbon target at different angles. The values in parentheses represent the uncertainties [4.55(0.52) is equivalent to 4.55 ± 0.52].

θ (deg)	^1H $d\sigma/d\Omega$ (b sr $^{-1}$)	^2H $d\sigma/d\Omega$ (b sr $^{-1}$)	^3H $d\sigma/d\Omega$ (b sr $^{-1}$)	^3He $d\sigma/d\Omega$ (b sr $^{-1}$)	^4He $d\sigma/d\Omega$ (b sr $^{-1}$)	^6He $d\sigma/d\Omega$ (b sr $^{-1}$)
4(1)	4.63(0.42)	2.63(0.28)	1.27(0.14)	1.88(0.44)	$1.32(0.18) \times 10^1$	$4.7(2.9) \times 10^{-1}$

Xsc @ 4° [3.3 - 4.9]

(b sr ⁻¹)	Ganil	DT All	DT Frg	MC All	MC Frg
Pr	4.63(0.42)	5.2+/-0.095	4.8+/-0.088	6.9+/-0.13	6.8+/-0.12
D	2.63(0.28)	3.9+/-0.072	3.6+/-0.067	3.5+/-0.065	3.5+/-0.065
T	1.27(0.14)	2+/-0.039	1.9+/-0.037	1.9+/-0.037	1.9+/-0.037
³ He	1.88(0.44)	0.7+/-0.013	0.65+/-0.012	2.2+/-0.041	2.5+/-0.048
⁴ He	13.2(1.8)	2.5+/-0.046	2.4+/-0.043	5.2+/-0.1	5.1+/-0.097
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Good agreement, for both **Data** and **MC** btw the **All** and **Frag** values above 1° [reflected in the integrated value]: **the ntrks>2 requirement does not alter dramatically the efficiencies**

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→ The integrated Xsection btw 3.3 and 4.9 [comparable to Ganil] seems to be:

- In a good range for Pr, D and T [where we do expect something larger than Ganil]
- Too small for all the other fragments [a factor 10-20 below the expected values]: **however it seems that the relative populations among the isotopes are behaving as expected.**
 - Our "naive" approach [fit using gaussians] shows "some" limits :)
- Xfeed dominates the result and has not yet been taken into account

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→ The data-MC agreement for most of the fragments is decent.

- I mean within 50% for most cases...

Summary

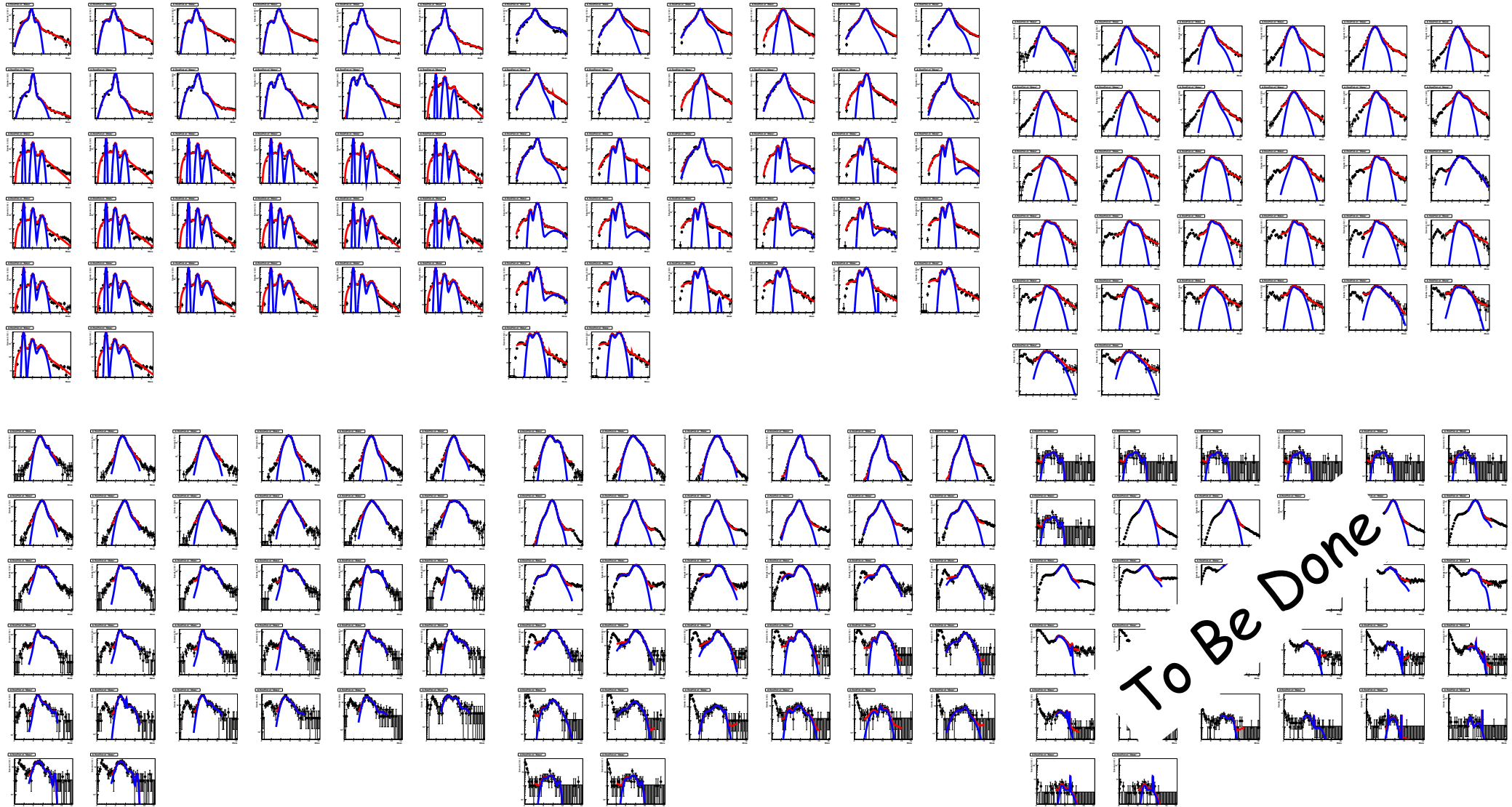
- A first big refinement has been done to the X-section computation
 - Fit model has been improved and checked against latest MC
 - Last efficiencies used: Chk is needed
- To do list:
 - Validate Xsection measurement against TRUE MC info [V. Patera working on that]
 - Study further analysis strategies
 - Revise in detail the "cut on the number of tracks" strategy
 - Look at the "cut on the #pixels in the vtx" strategy
 - Work to improve the Xfeed handling
 - Work to improve the efficiency determination
 - Work to improve the uncertainty determination
 - Perform a detailed study of the background
 - Start to look at the Energy distributions



The diagram consists of several horizontal lines and a yellow wedge. From top to bottom: a thick black line, a thin grey line, a thick black line, and a yellow wedge that tapers from left to right. On the far left, a thick black L-shaped line extends downwards and then horizontally to the right. On the far right, a thick black L-shaped line extends upwards and then horizontally to the left, meeting the other lines.

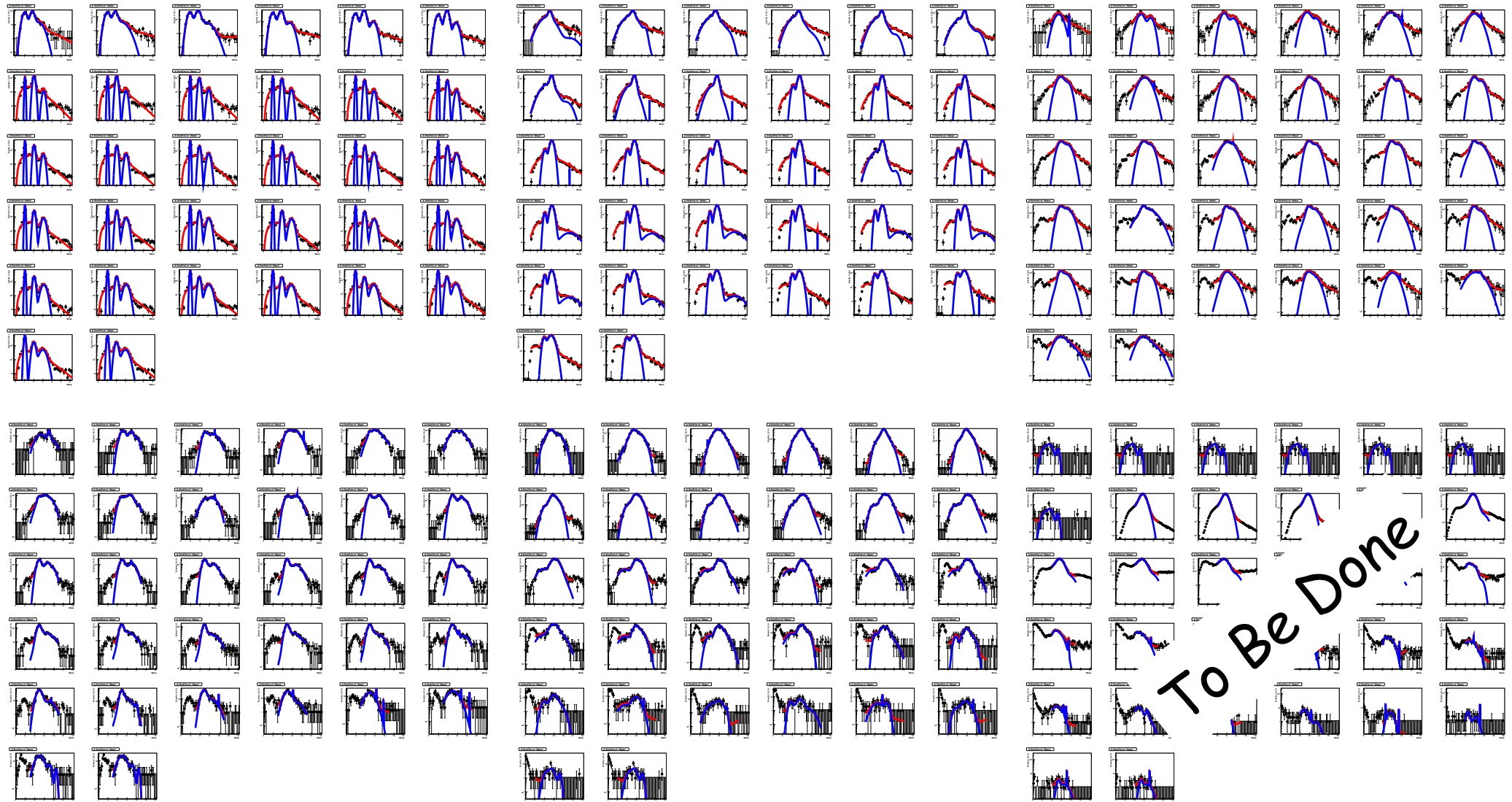
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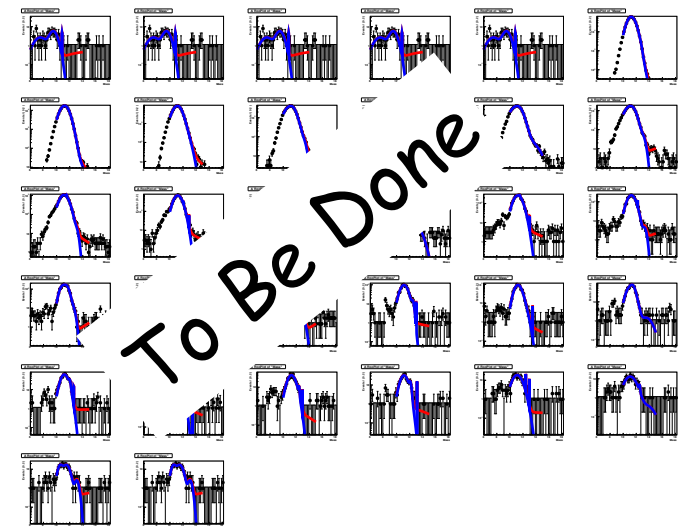
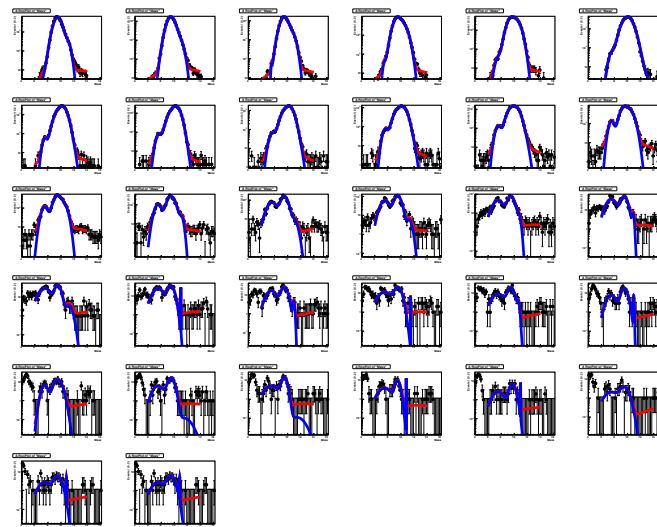
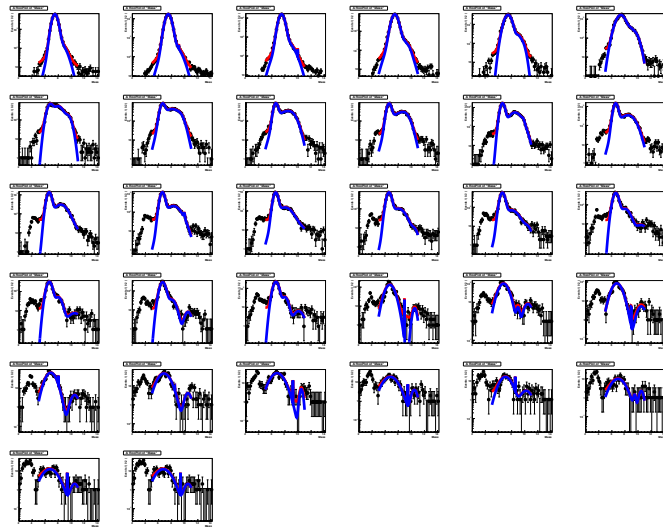
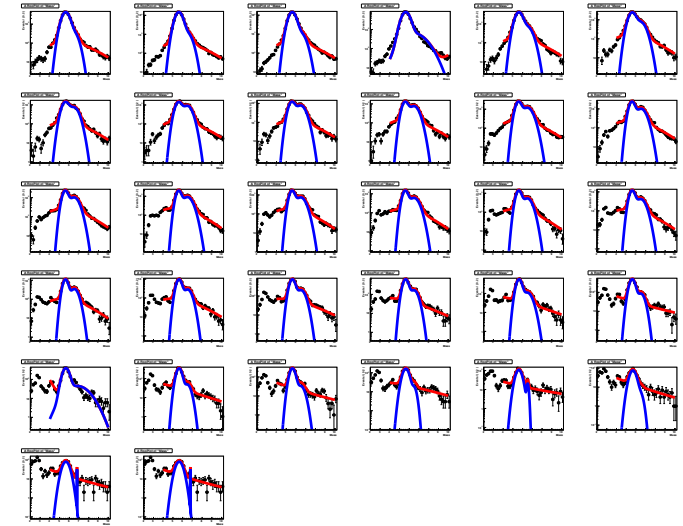
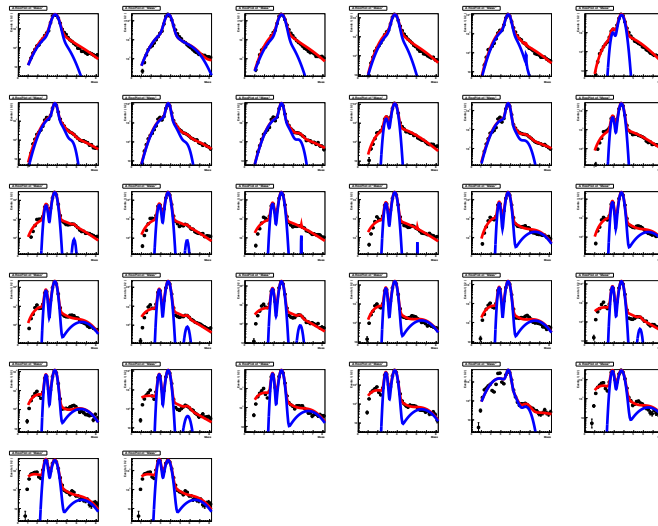
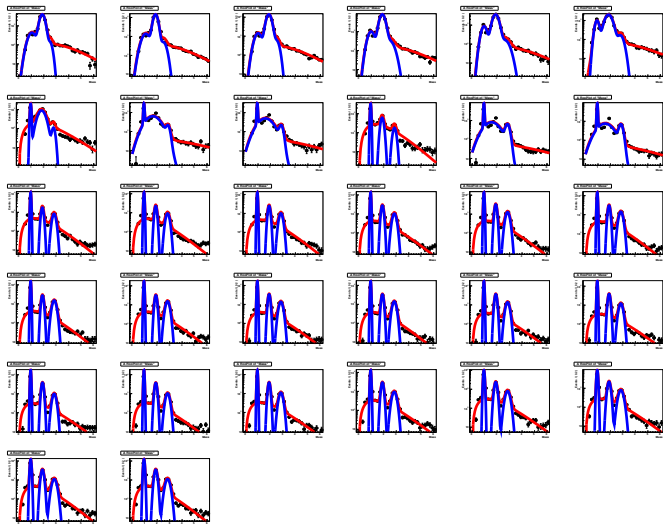


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Angle fits, Data Frag



Angle Fits, MC All



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Angle fits, MC frag

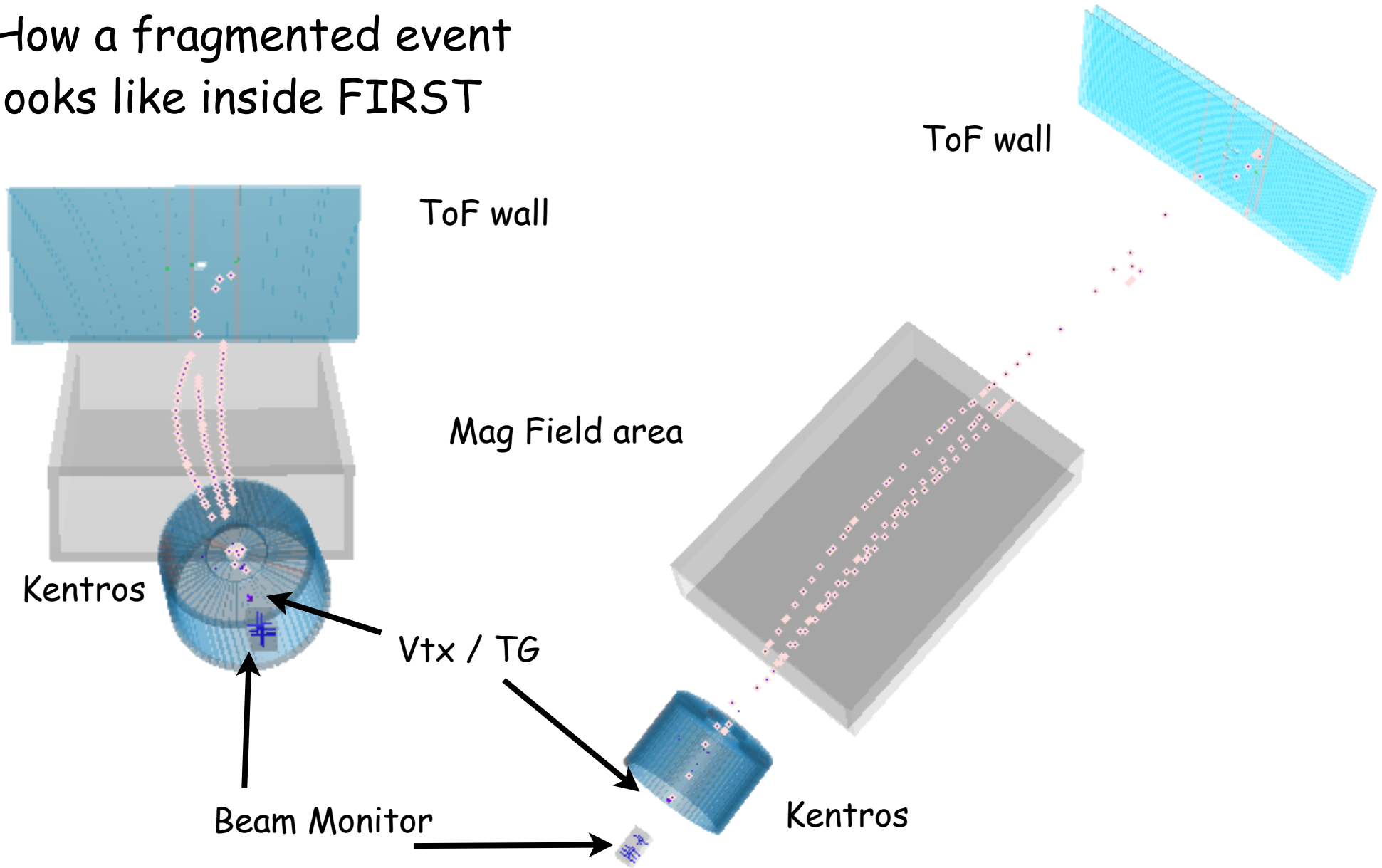


Todolist: efficiencies

- as explained on <http://wiki.gsi.de/cgi-bin/view/FIRST/SimulationSoftware> you can discriminate also particles which only hit the virtual plane in front of the TOFWALL and those which really traverse on of the TOFWALL slats of the front or rear wall (e.g. not passing the hole):
// "twN" counts all particles which traverse the plane in front of the TOF-Wall ("twpl...")
//and the particles traversing front and rear wall.
// To mark the regions which where really traversed by the particle i the flags "twSINbS[i]=1" (for the plane),
// twSID[0][i]!=0 if a slat was hit in the front wall and twSID[2][i]!=0 if a slat was hit in the rear wall
// twSID[1][i]!=0 or twSID[3][i]!=0 if the same particle i also hit a second slat in the front/rear wall
- P.S: As far as I remember, we don't remove for the moment the corresponding hit in the second wall when we do the matching. Personally, i artificially remove hits coming from corresponding slat +/- 1 in the second wall but it is "raw" and a bit too restrictive, we should do something for that in the future. The second point is that my momentum change in trackforward function is a bit different because I adapt the step while taking into account the distance between the point to hit and the reconstructed point. We have to be sure that with the actual function in svn, we can reach the point to hit in X inside the tight threshold because of the X coordinate randomly generated. I cannot commit my function because it is "handmade" i.e. the numbers are chosen by "feeling" and observations. The problem can be "important" for protons where we can hit extreme slats. The same step in momentum modification for extreme X positions has not the same effect as for the central slats and it could be difficult to reach the X position inside the limits imposed by the tight threshold.

3D ev display

→ How a fragmented event looks like inside FIRST

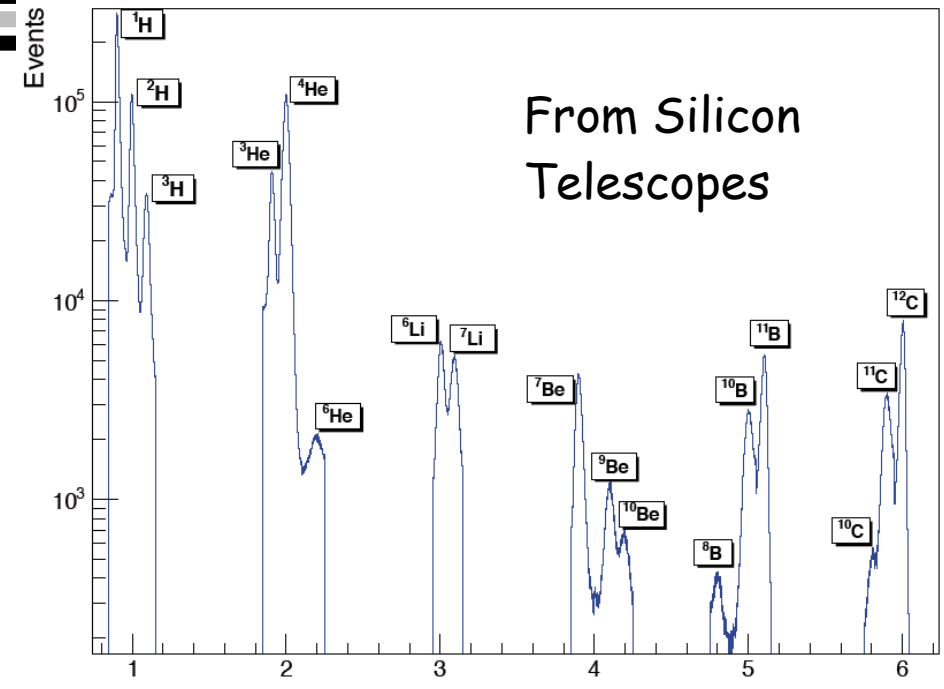


Our "competitors" results: E600 (Ganil)

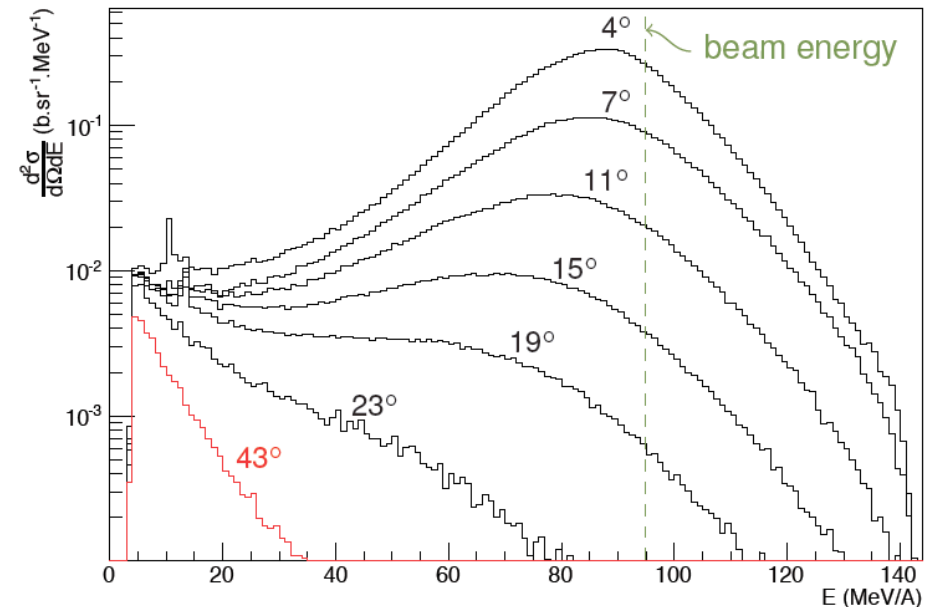
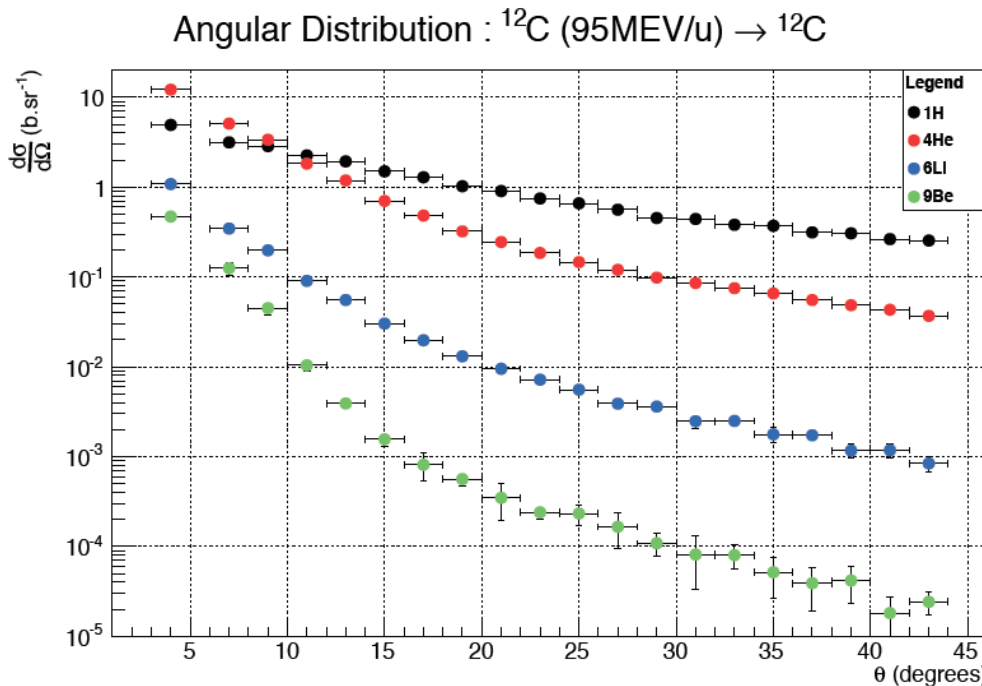
$$\text{PID} = Z + 0.1 \times (A - 2 \times Z)$$

→ Obtained results for SDCS and DDCS

- one interesting conclusion: Composite targets can be deduced from the cross sections of elemental targets (-> organic tissues)
- Currently focusing on: **assessing systematics** and comparing with MC to benchmark difference nuclear MC models



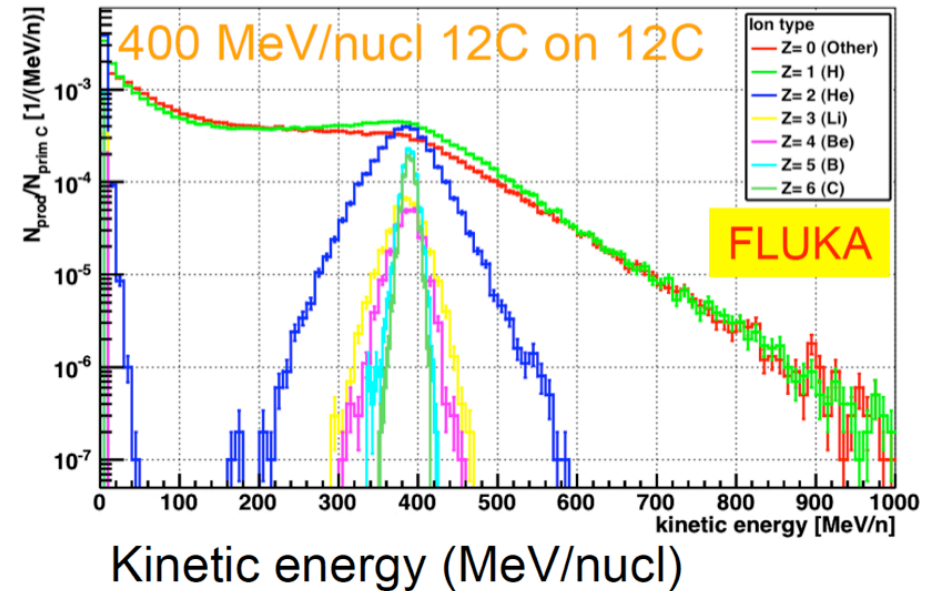
⁴He energy spectra : ¹²C(95 MeV/A) → ¹²C for $\theta \in [4^\circ; 43^\circ]$



What we expect from simulations

- The $Z > 2$ produced fragments approximately have the same velocity of the ^{12}C beam and are collimated in the forward direction
- The protons are the most abundant charged fragments with a wide β spectrum $0 < \beta < 0.6$ and with a wide angular distribution with long tail
- The $Z > 1$ fragment are all emitted within 20 deg of angular aperture
- The dE/dx released by the fragment spans from ~ 2 to ~ 100 m.i.p.

Yield differential in energy



Yield differential in angle for $T > 30.0$ MeV/n

