

Fixed target mode for the MPD

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Fixed target configuration

- With a target located at $z = -150$ cm

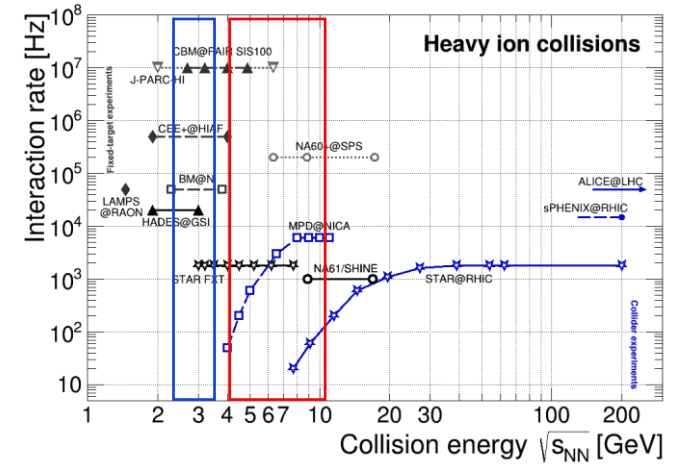
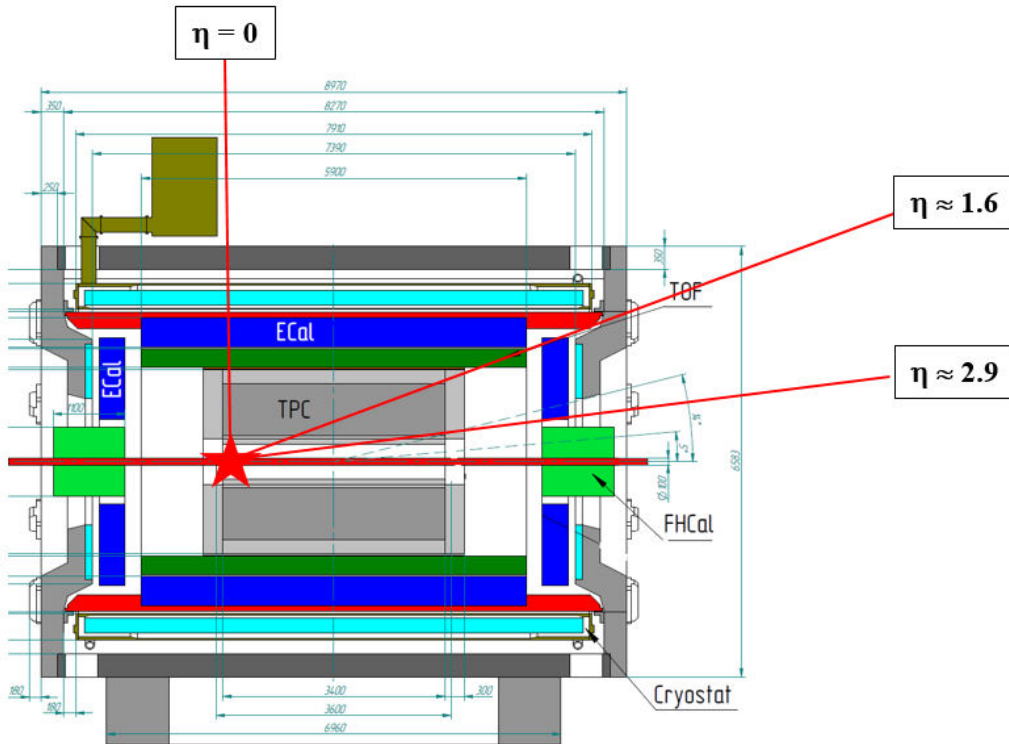


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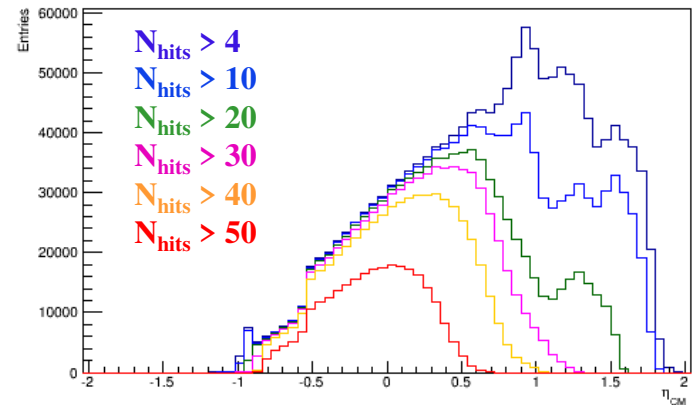
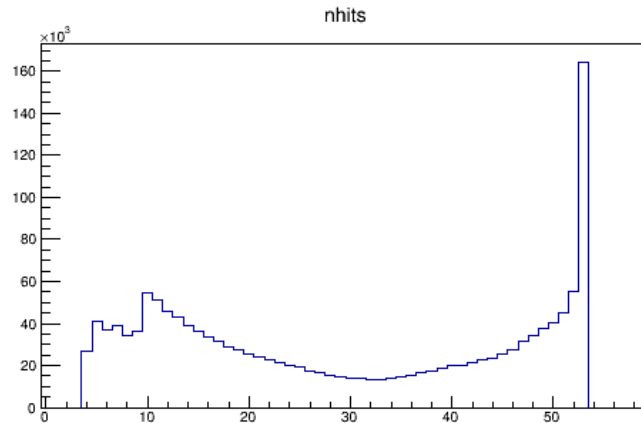
Simulation

- Request 25 configuration with UrQMD event generator, Bi+Bi with $b = 0-16$ fm
- UrQMD is run in FXT mode at two energies: $E_{\text{lab}} = 2.0 \cdot A$ GeV and $E_{\text{lab}} = 5.5 \cdot A$ GeV
- Full detector configuration, but no FFD (stays in the way)
- Event vertex was fixed at $x = 0$ cm, $y = 0$ cm, $z = -149$ cm
 - ✓ current reconstruction code does not reconstruct tracks and event vertices produced at $|z| > 150$ cm
→ not a big limitation for the estimations provided
 - ✓ task for the future – z-vertex coordinate should be fixed at target position, no reconstruction needed
- ✓ 30,000 events for each energy for charged hadrons
- ✓ 300,000 for PIded particles

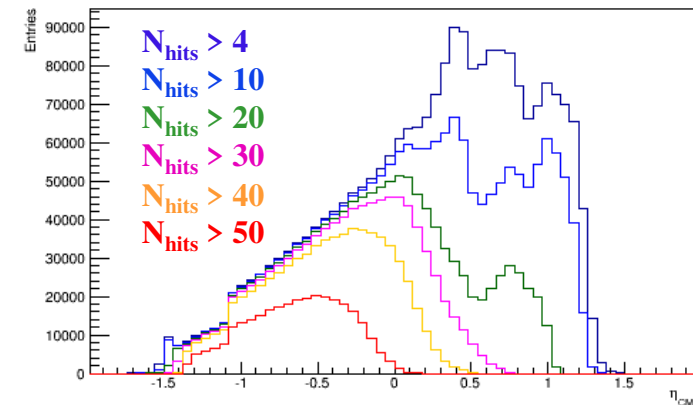
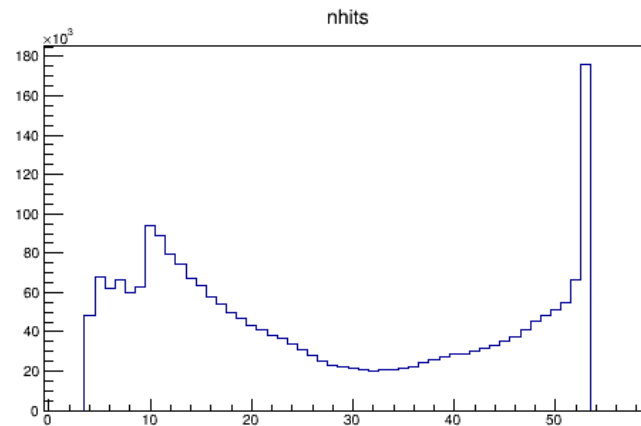
Detector coverage for charged tracks

- Events with reconstructed vertex, primary tracks (produced at a distance < 1 cm from the primary vertex)

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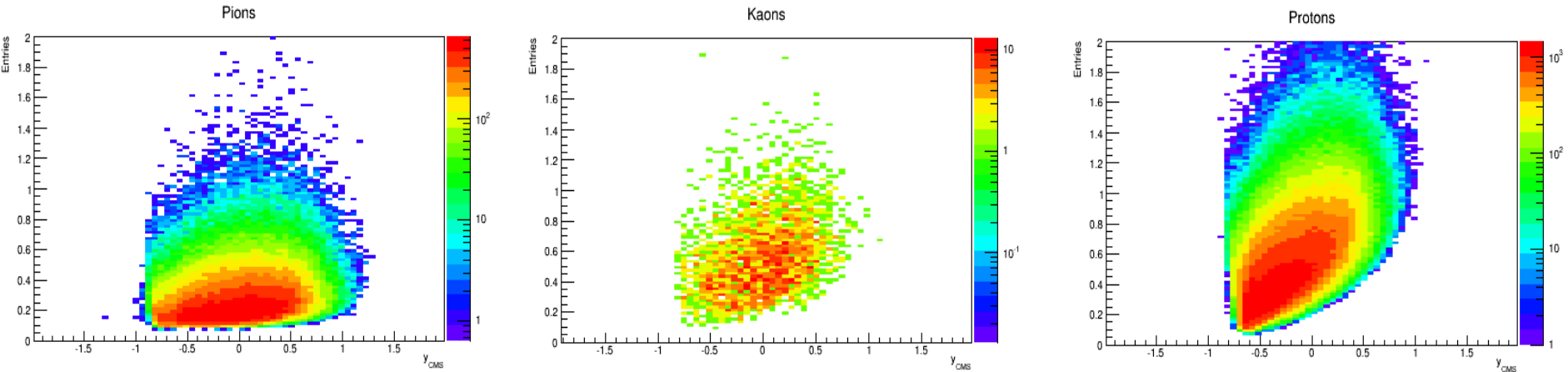


- Detector acceptance strongly depends on ‘number of TPC hits’ track selections
- Symmetric midrapidity coverage ($|y| < 0.5$) can be reached with track selections $N_{\text{hits}} > 10-30$

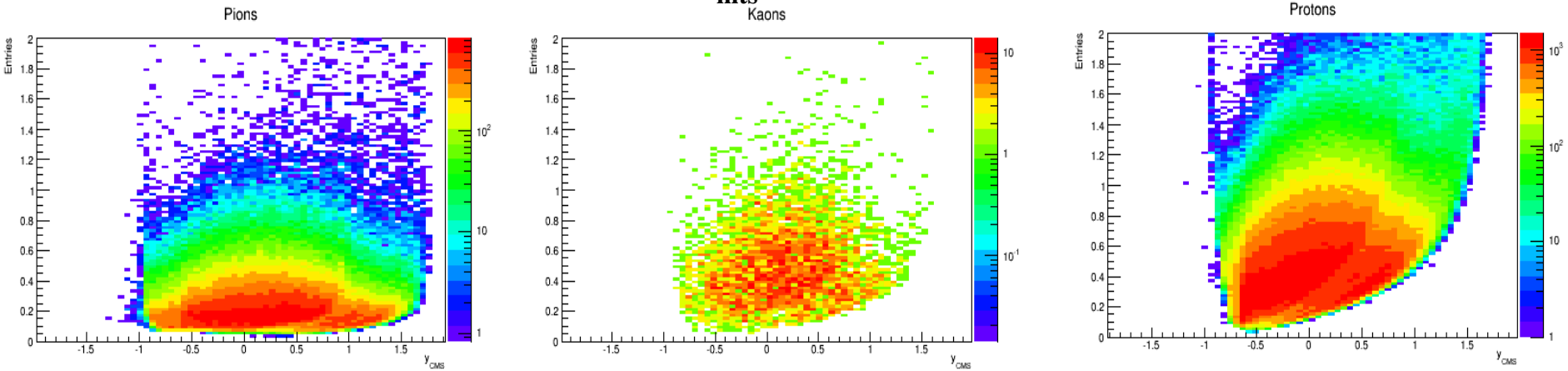
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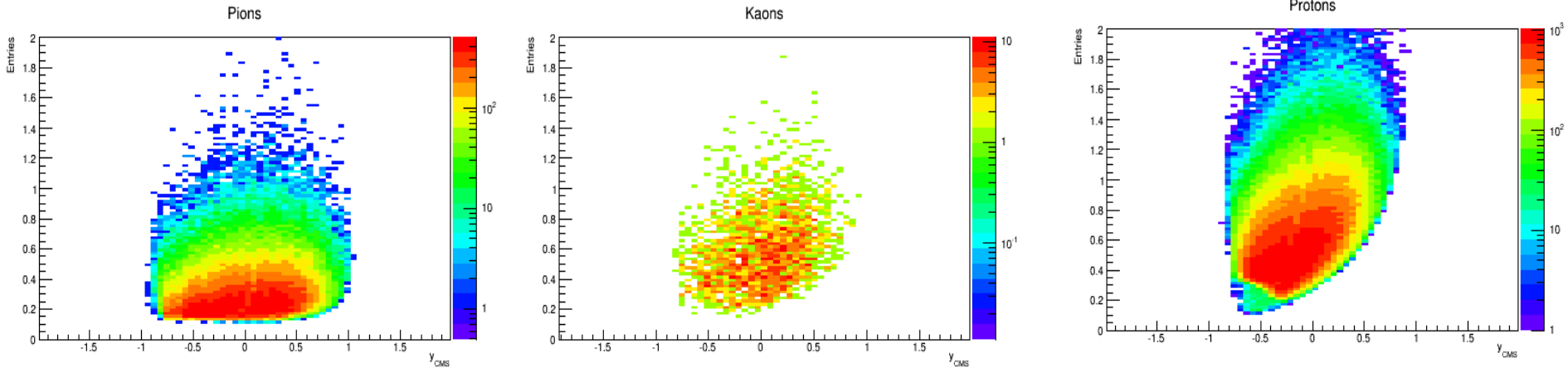


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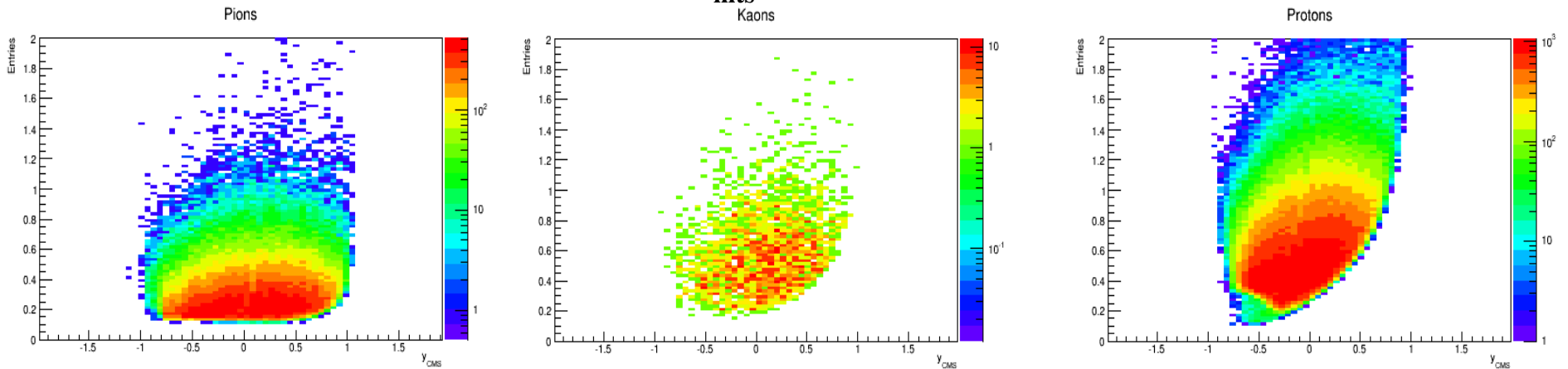
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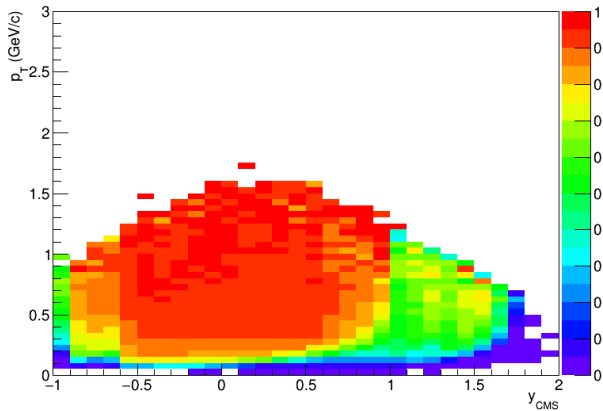


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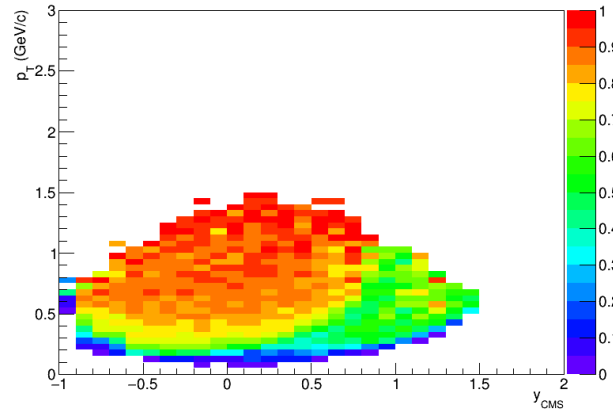
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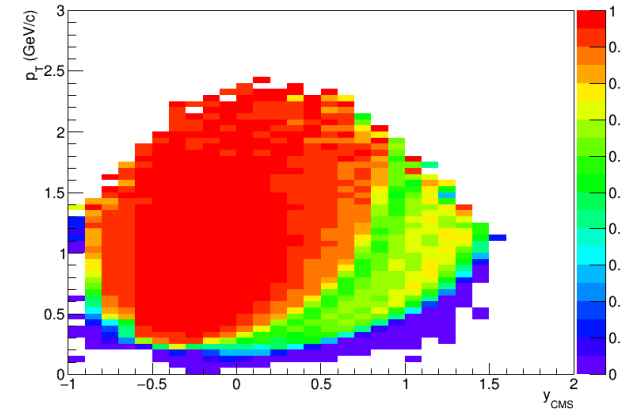
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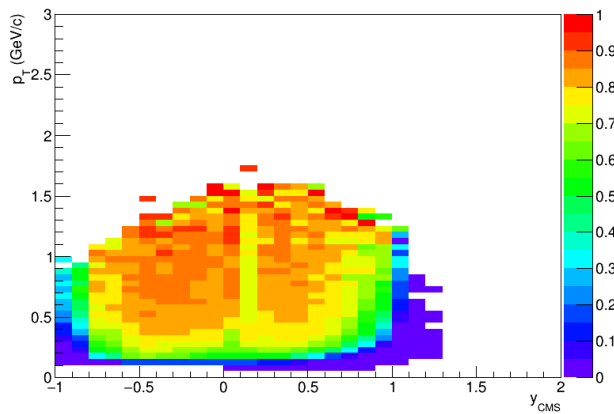
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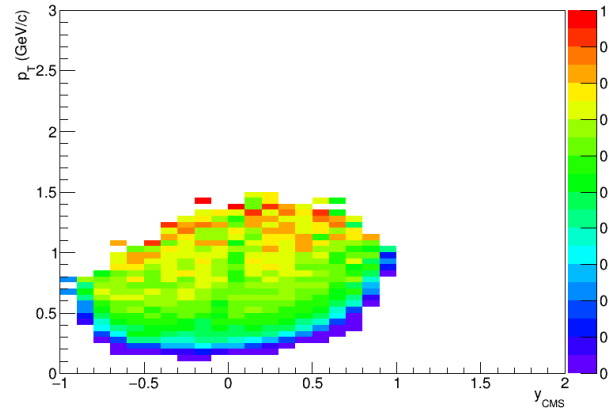
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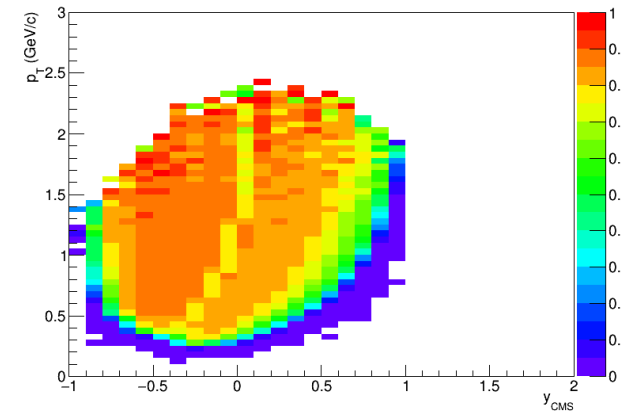
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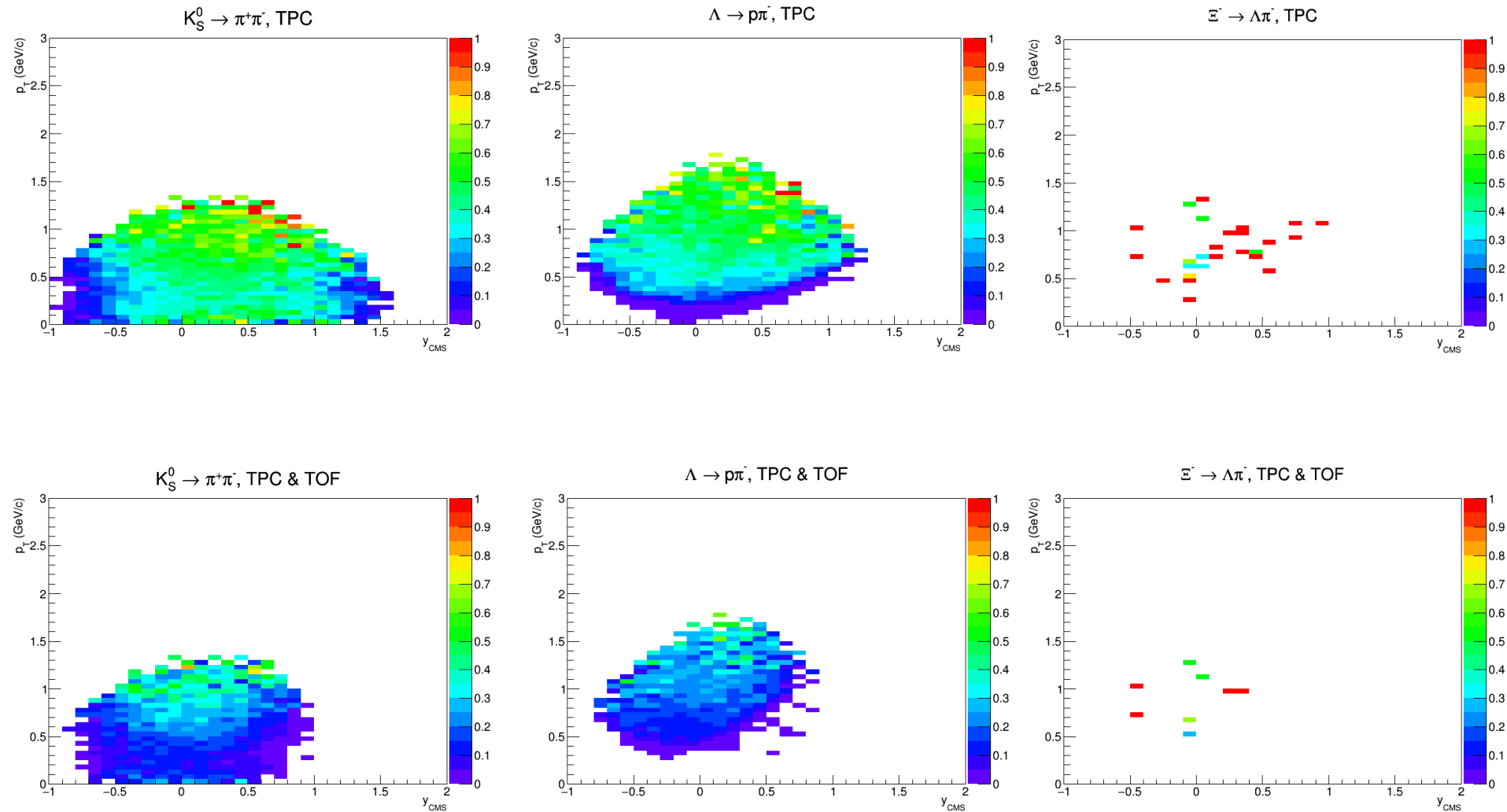


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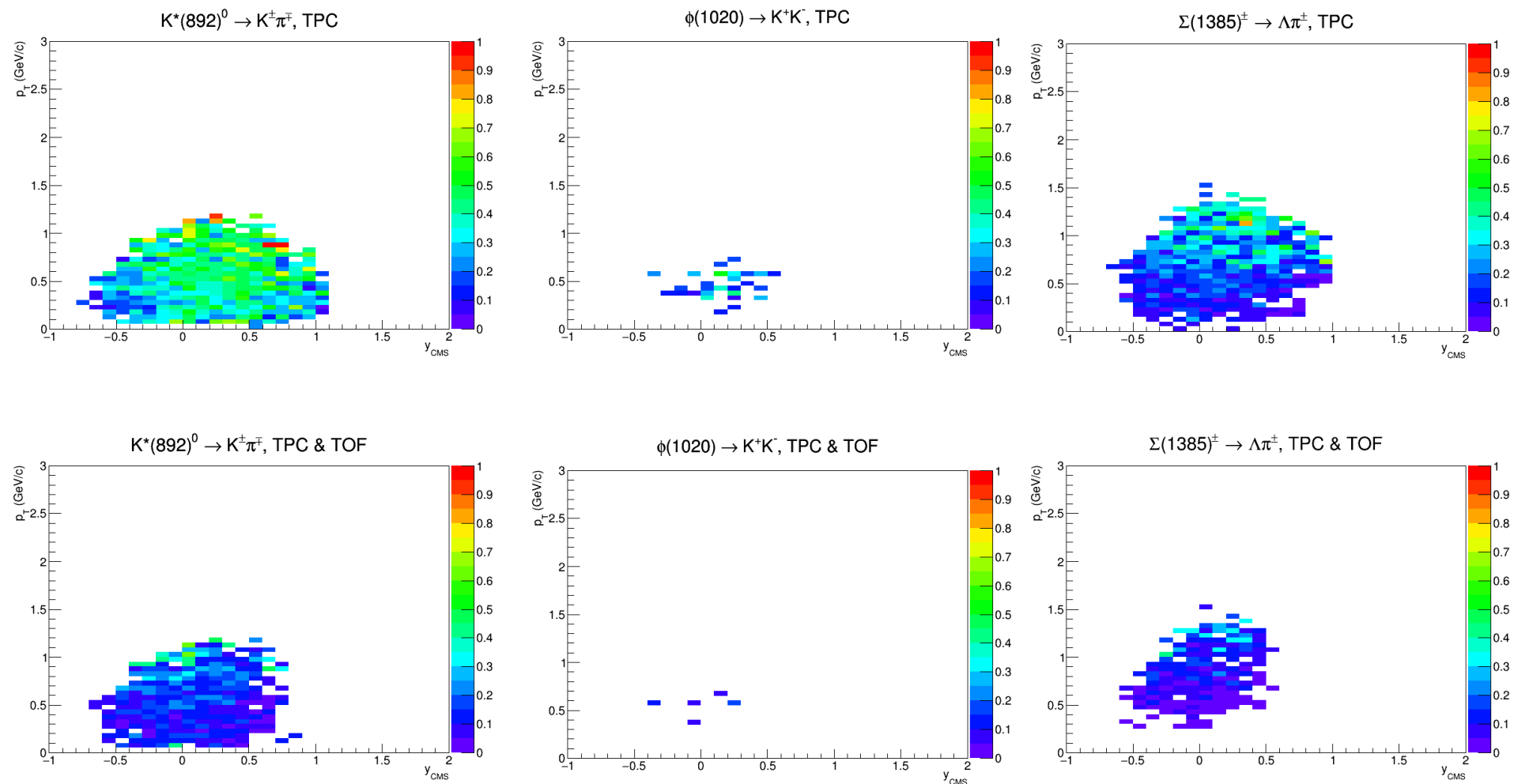
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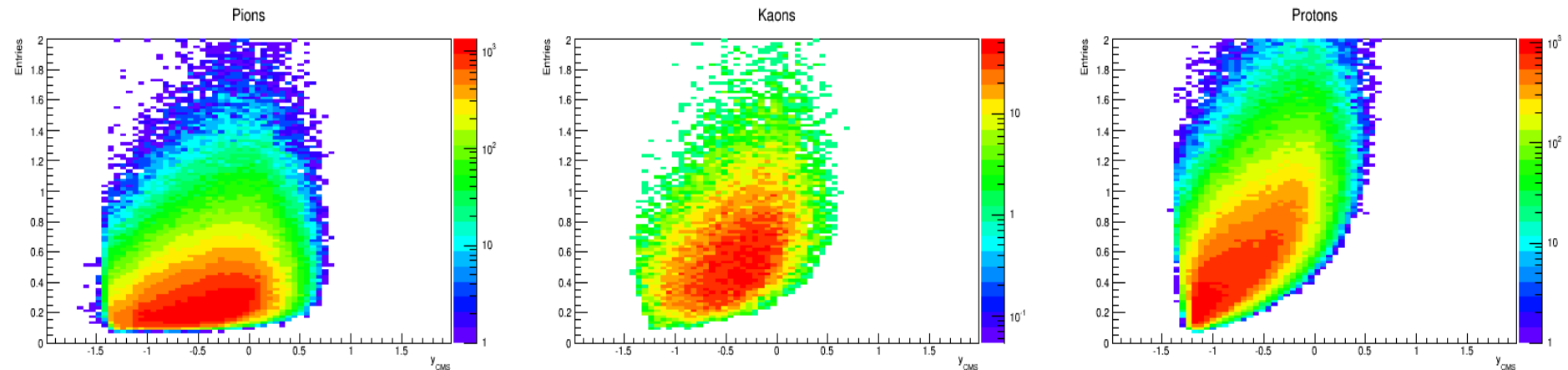
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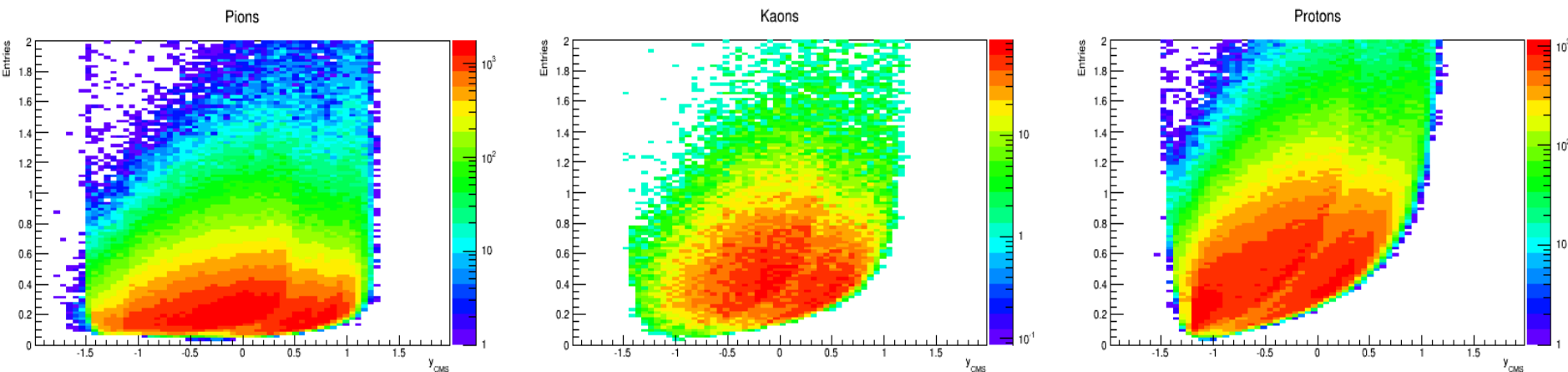
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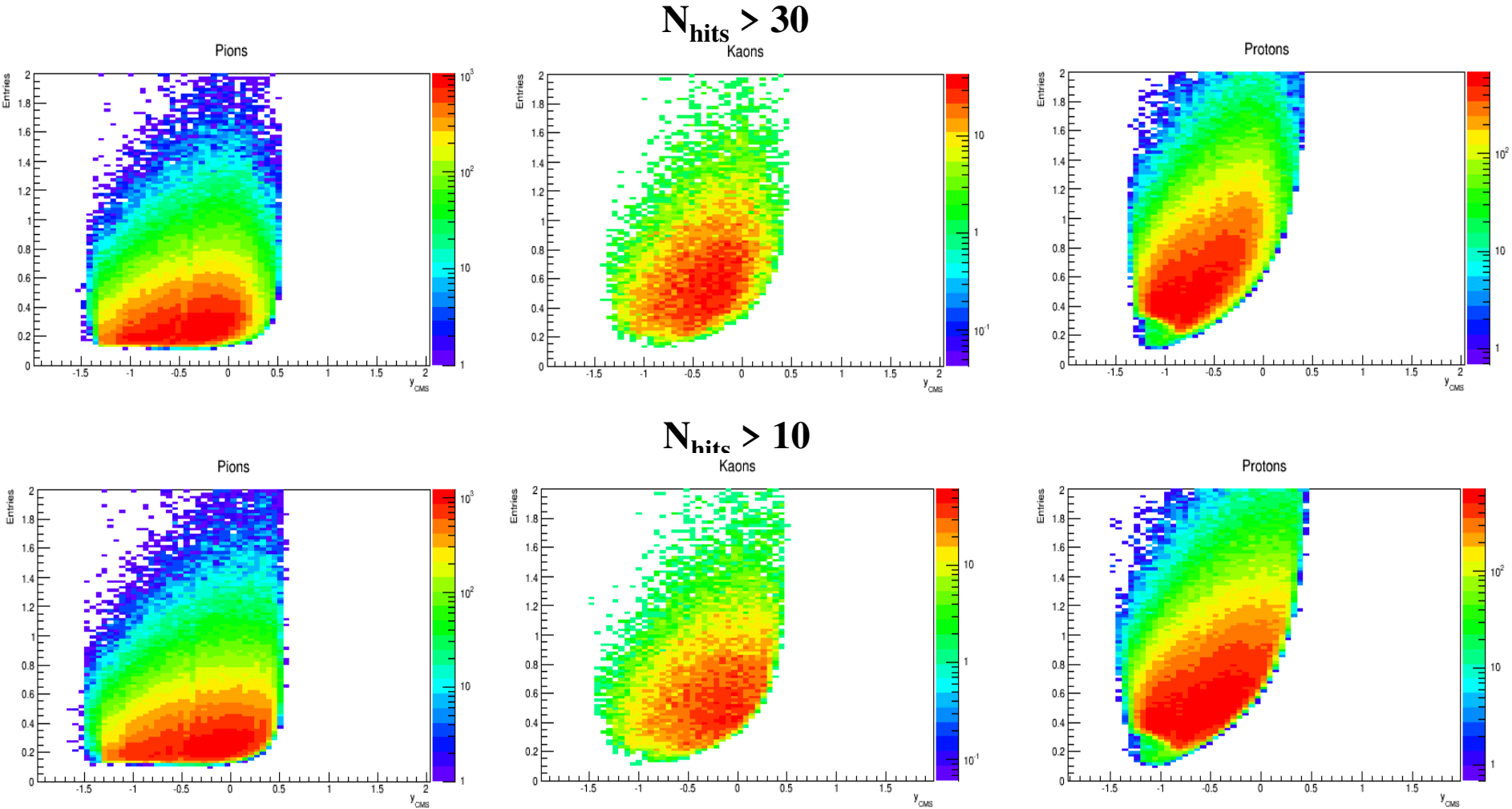
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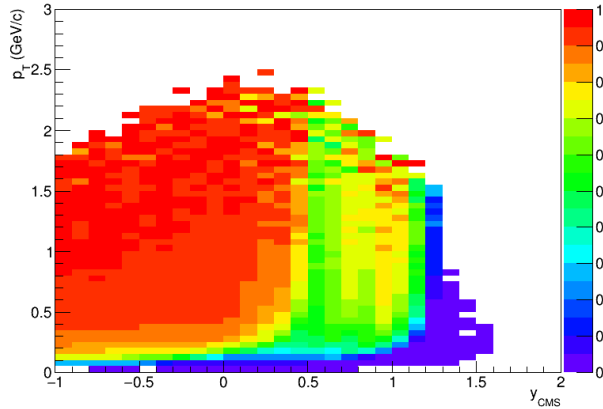


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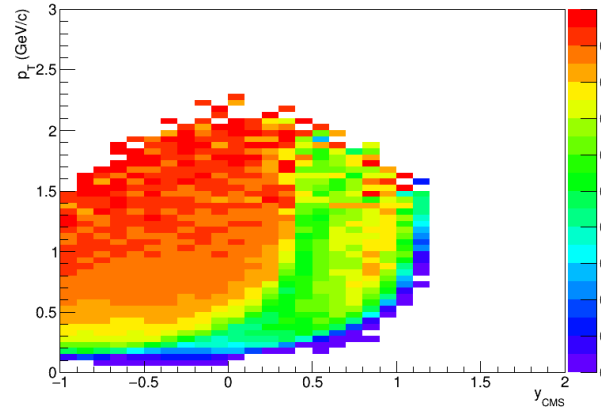
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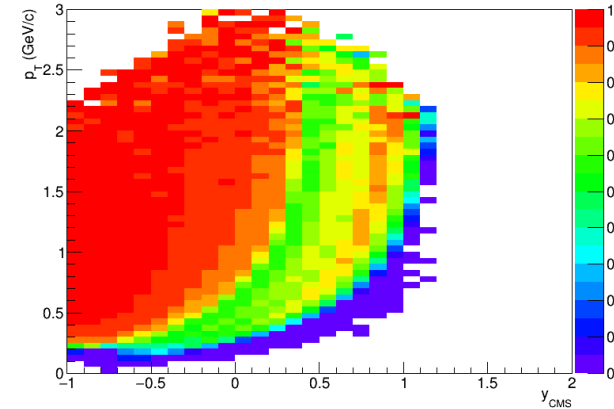
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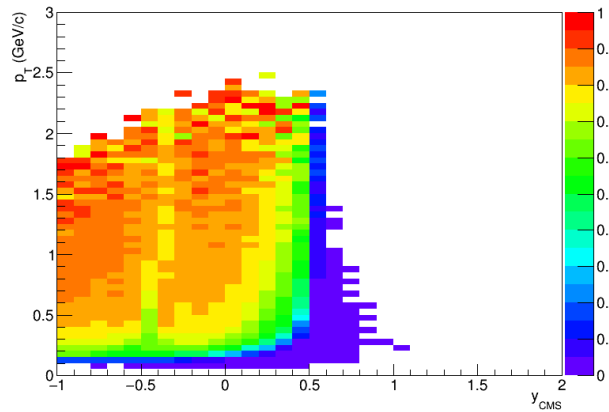
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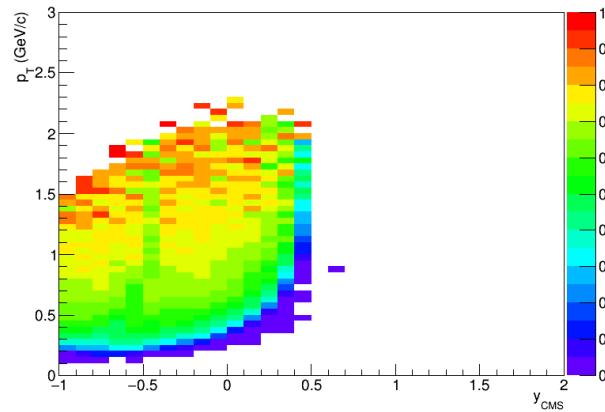
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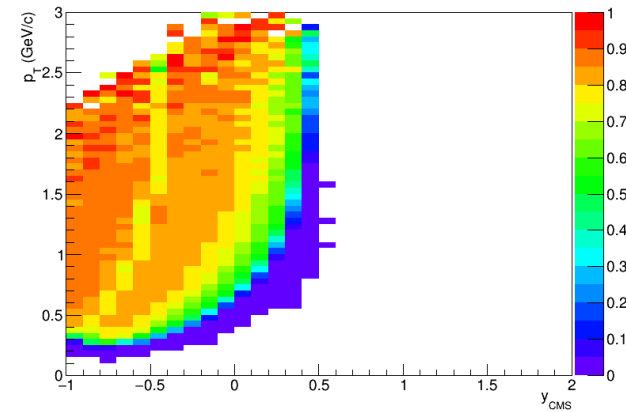
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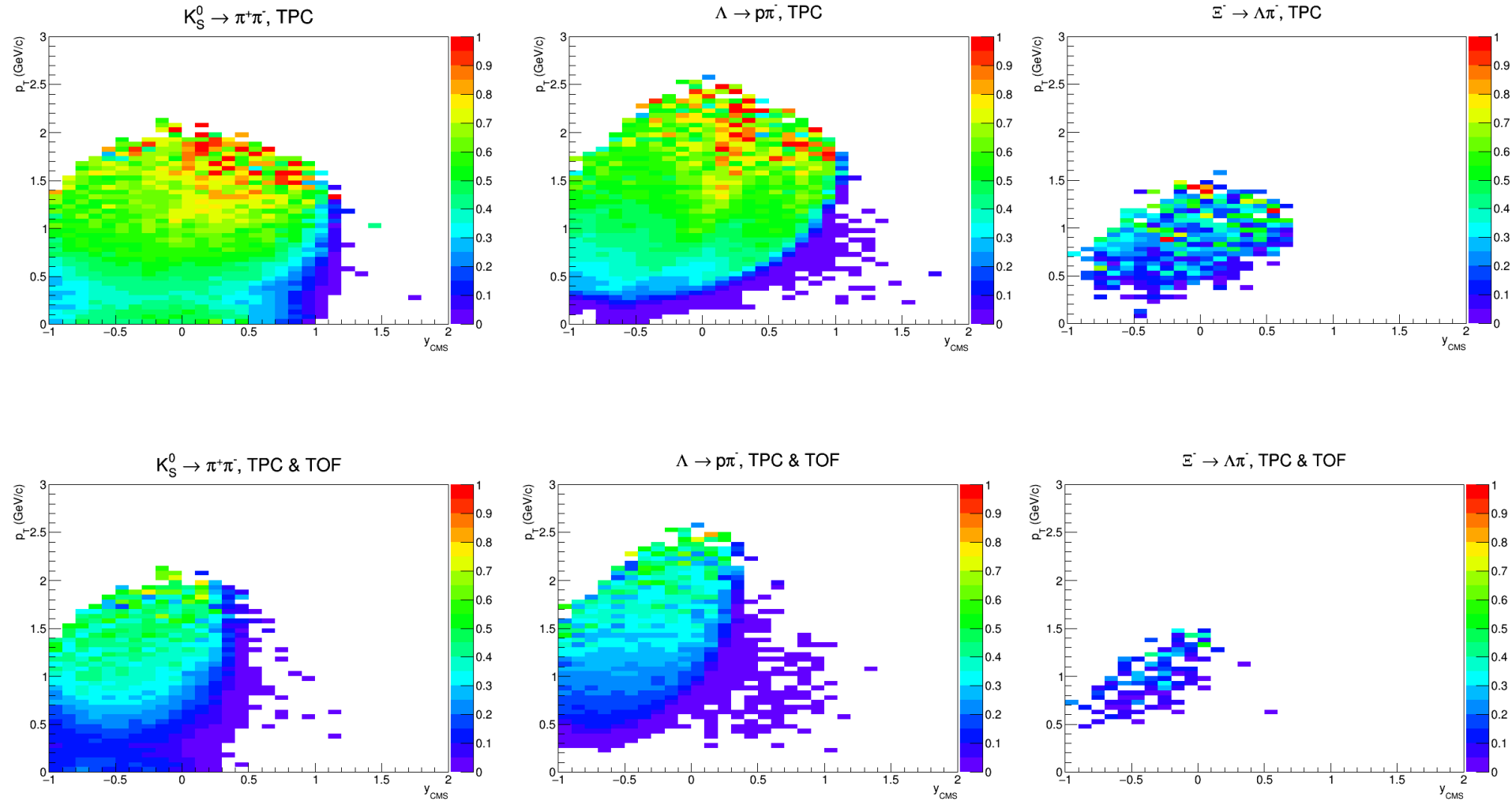


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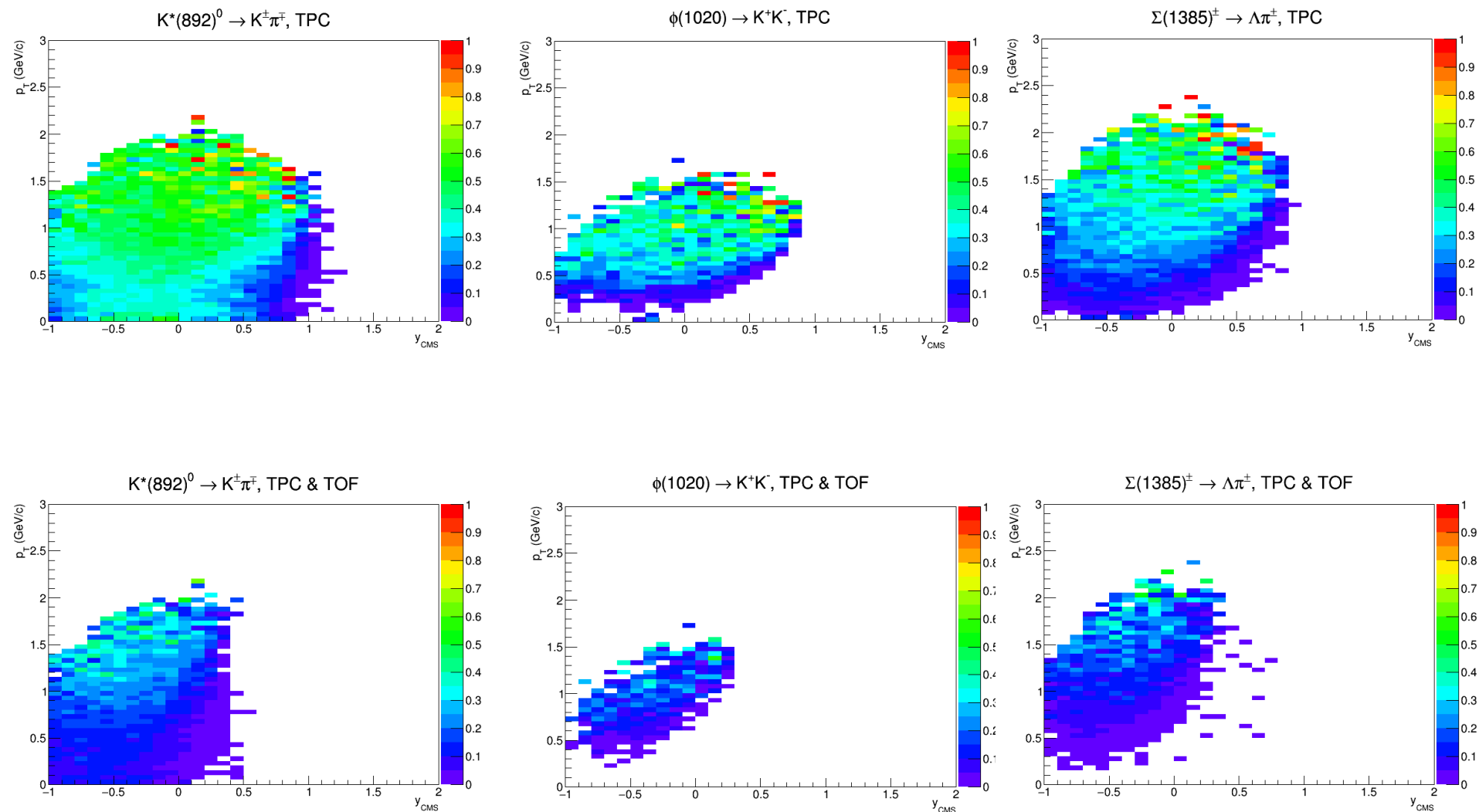
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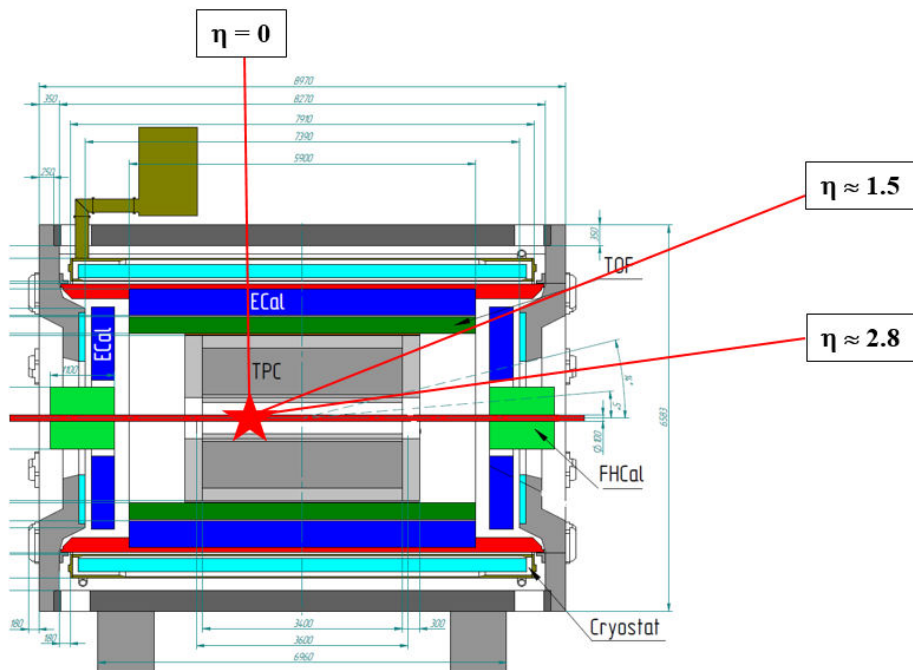


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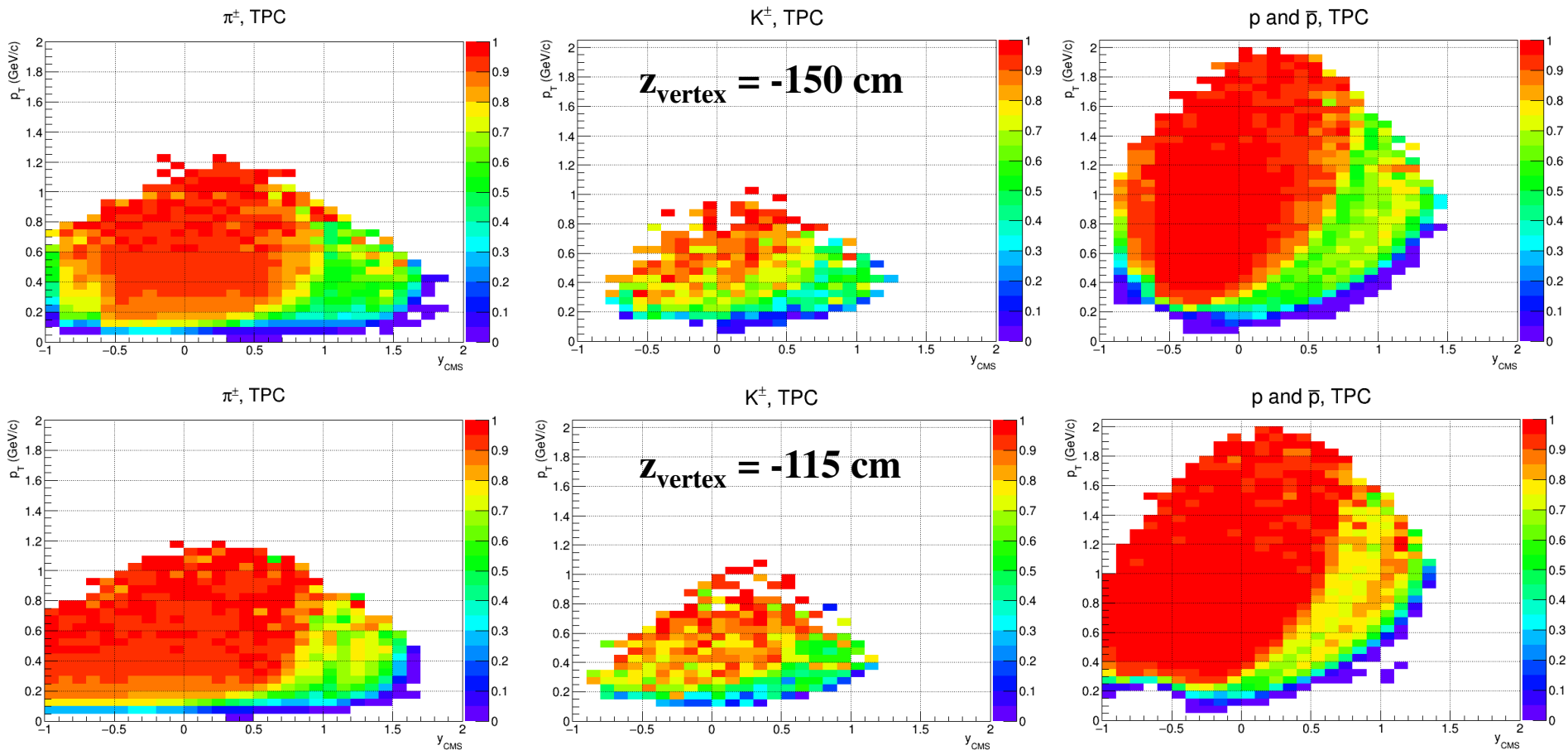
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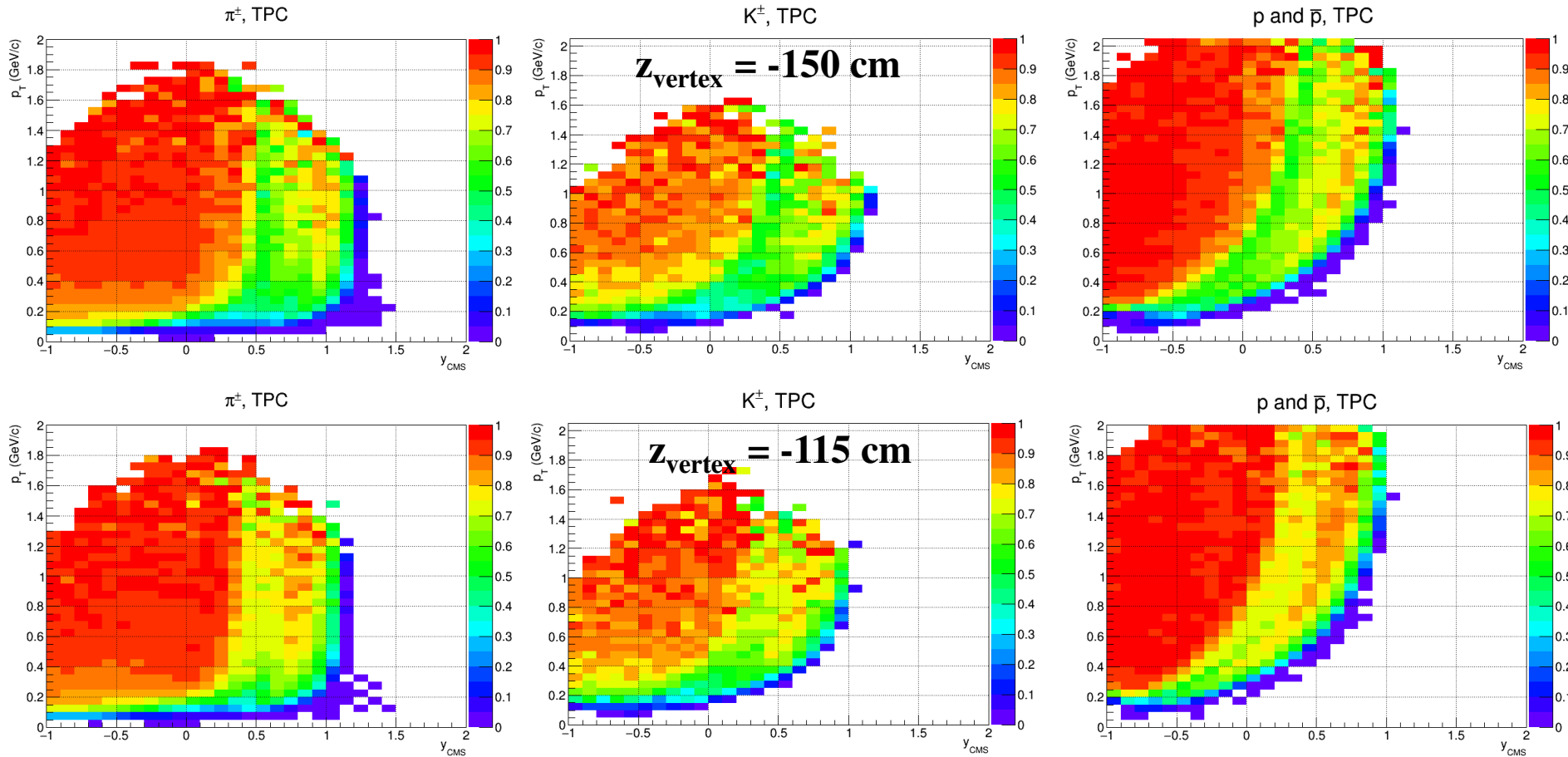


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Conclusions

- MPD acceptance is good enough to work in the fixed-target mode (midrapidity acceptance is preserved)
- Two possible options for the vertex location were considered:
 - ✓ option $z_{\text{vertex}} = -150$ cm provides better acceptance
 - ✓ option $z_{\text{vertex}} = -115$ cm does not require rebuild of the detector at somewhat worse performance
- Next: trigger performance of the FFD/FHCAL/TOF ???

BACKUP

- MPD collider mode, [BiBi@9.2](https://www.mdpi.com/2571-712X/6/2/27/pdf?version=1681888396), <https://www.mdpi.com/2571-712X/6/2/27/pdf?version=1681888396>

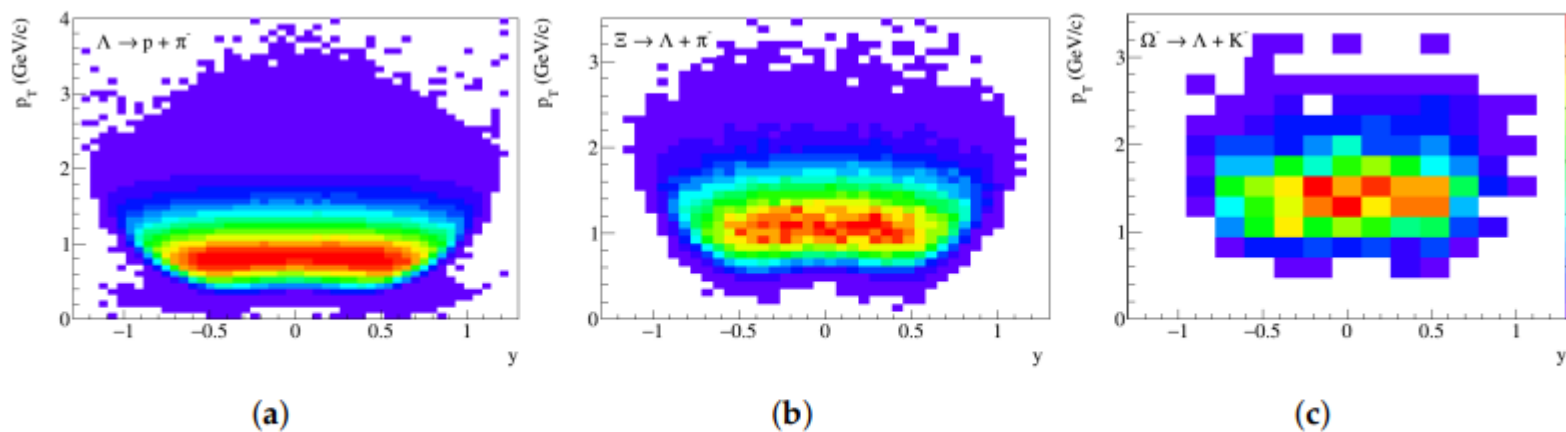
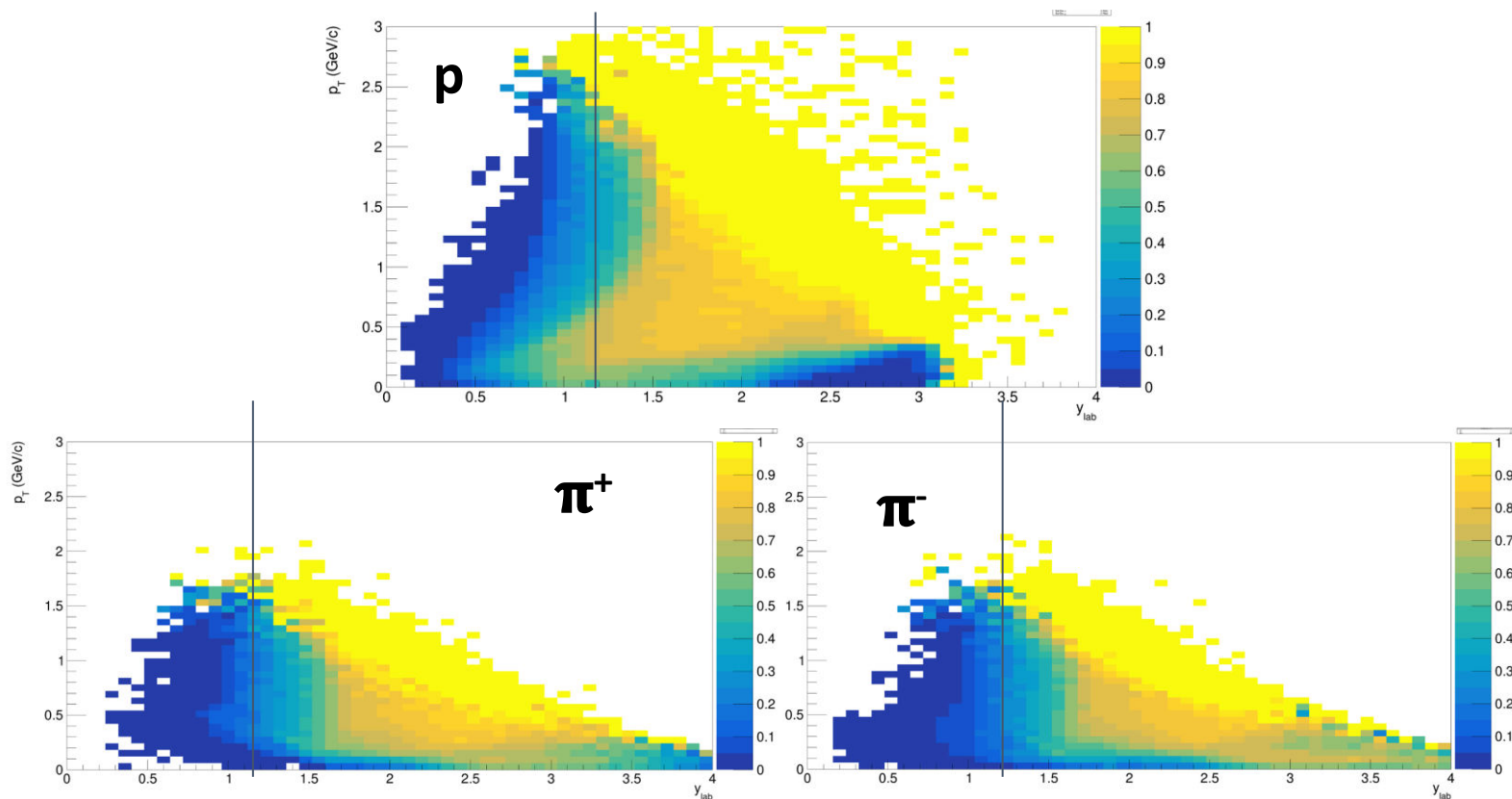


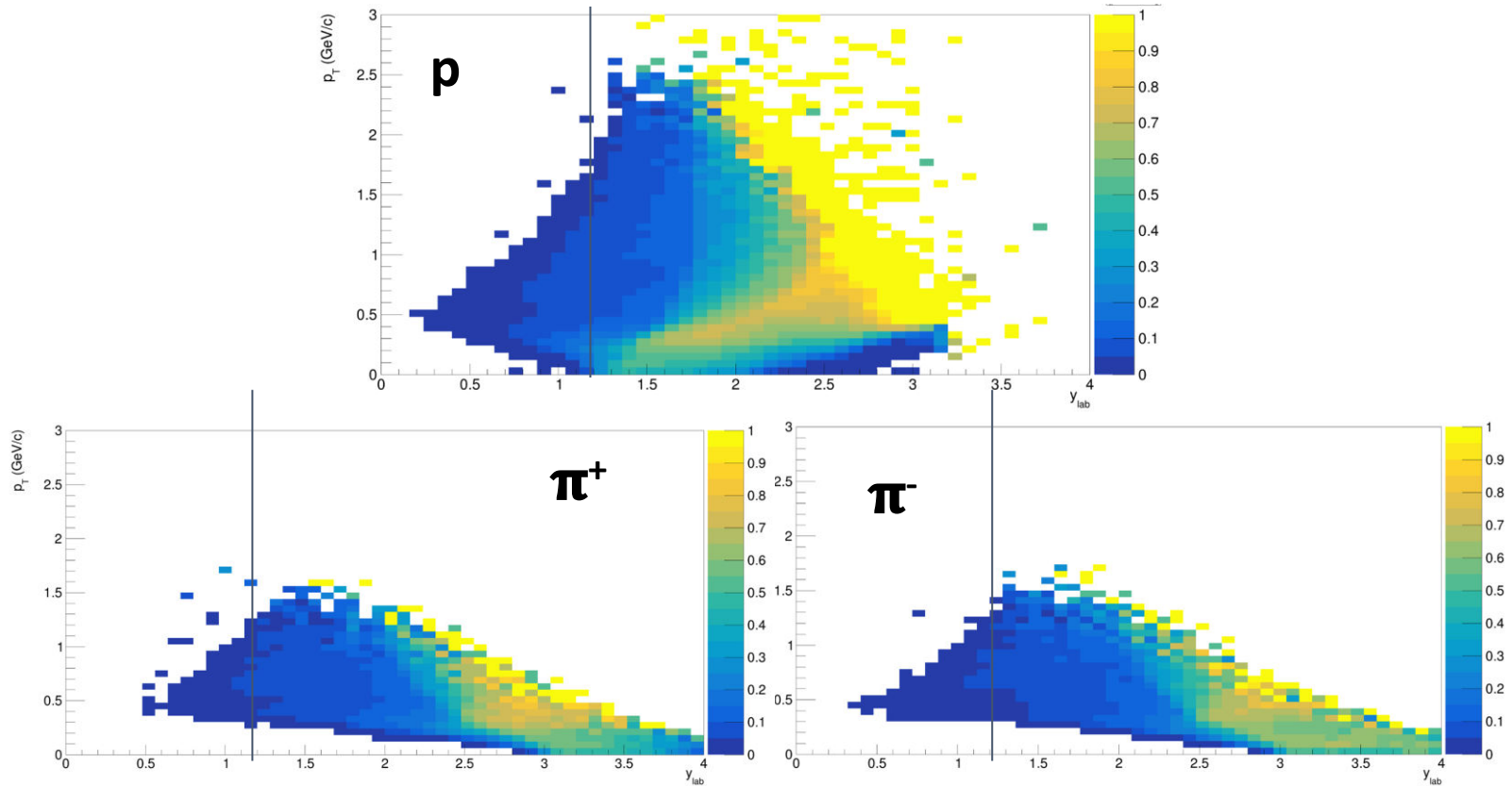
Figure 7. Transverse momentum p_T vs. rapidity y phase space of reconstructed true hyperons: (a) Λ , (b) Ξ^- , (c) Ω^- .

Tracking efficiency (without TOF-matching)



Limited midrapidity coverage even before identification!

Tracking efficiency (matched to TOF-400 or TOF-700)



Even worse for TOF-matched tracks

PairKK wagon

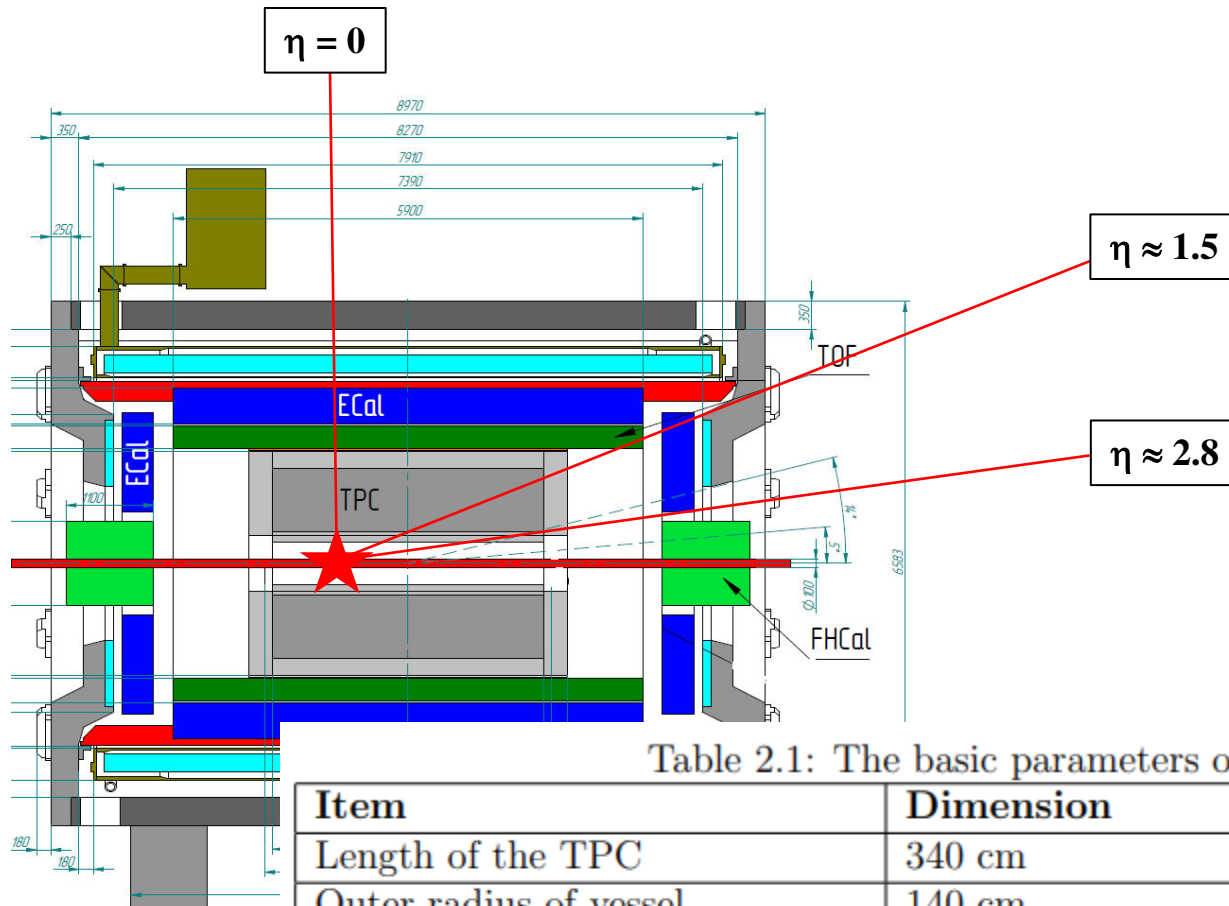


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