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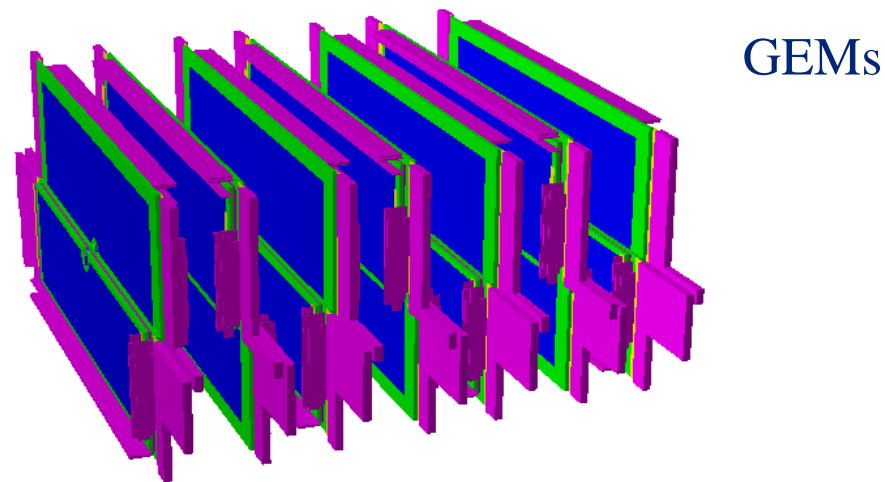
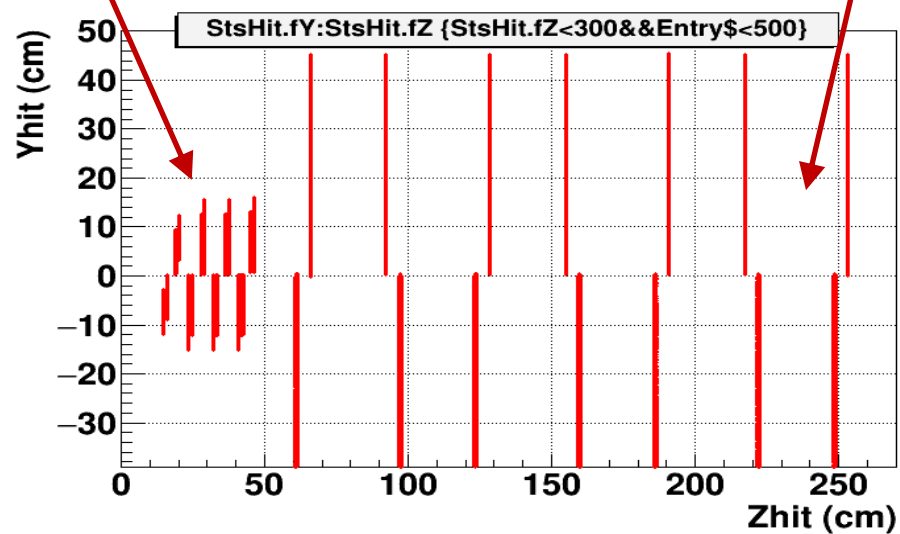
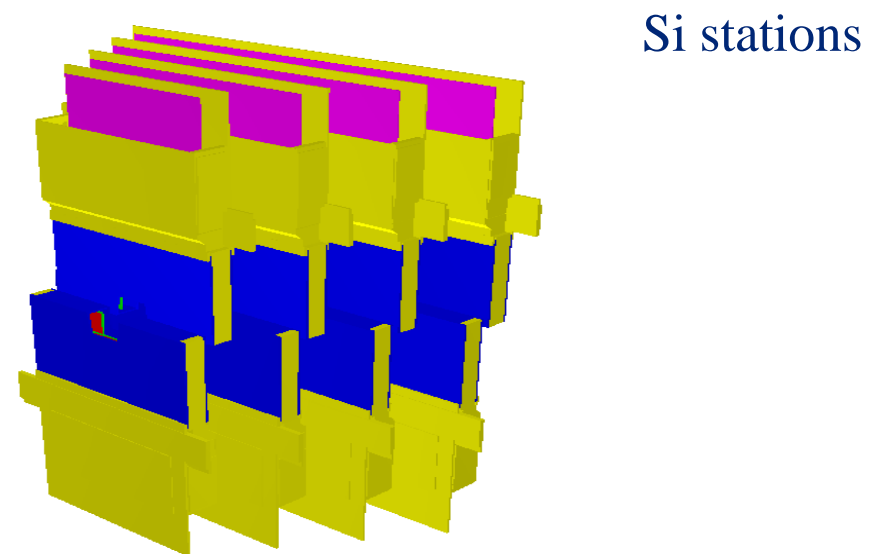
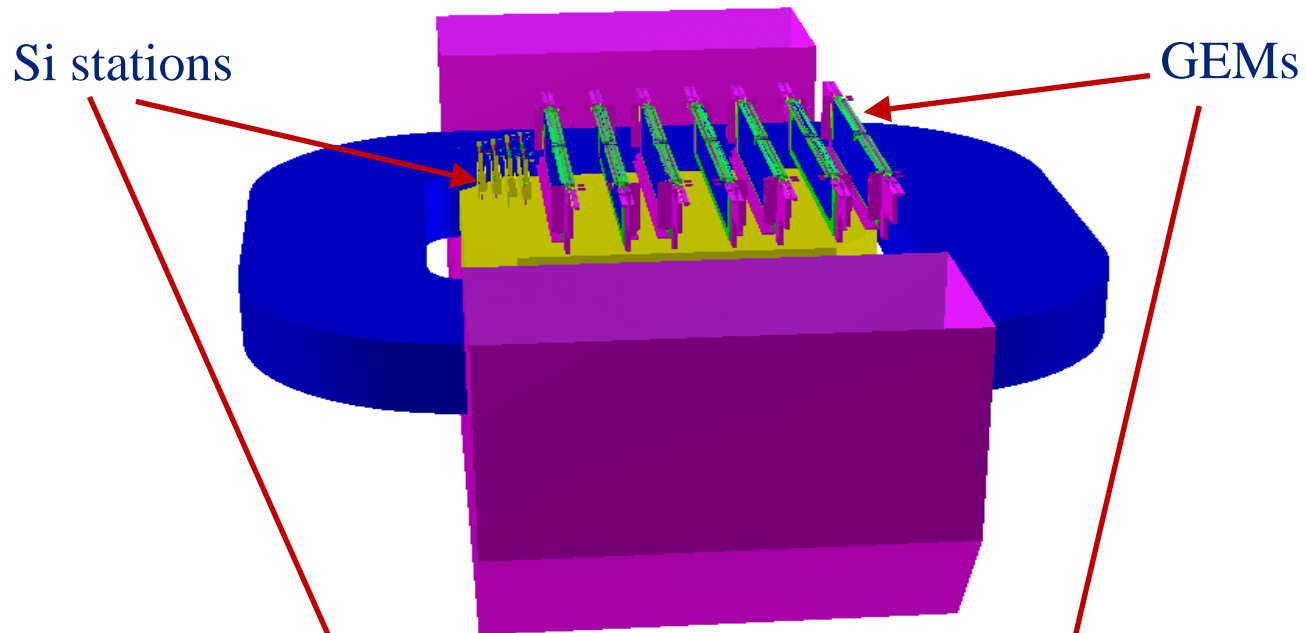


# Status of data analysis on $\Lambda$ and $K_s^0$ production in Xe run

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- ✓ BM@N configuration
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- ✓ Monte Carlo tuning – hit residuals
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# Detector geometry in Run 8



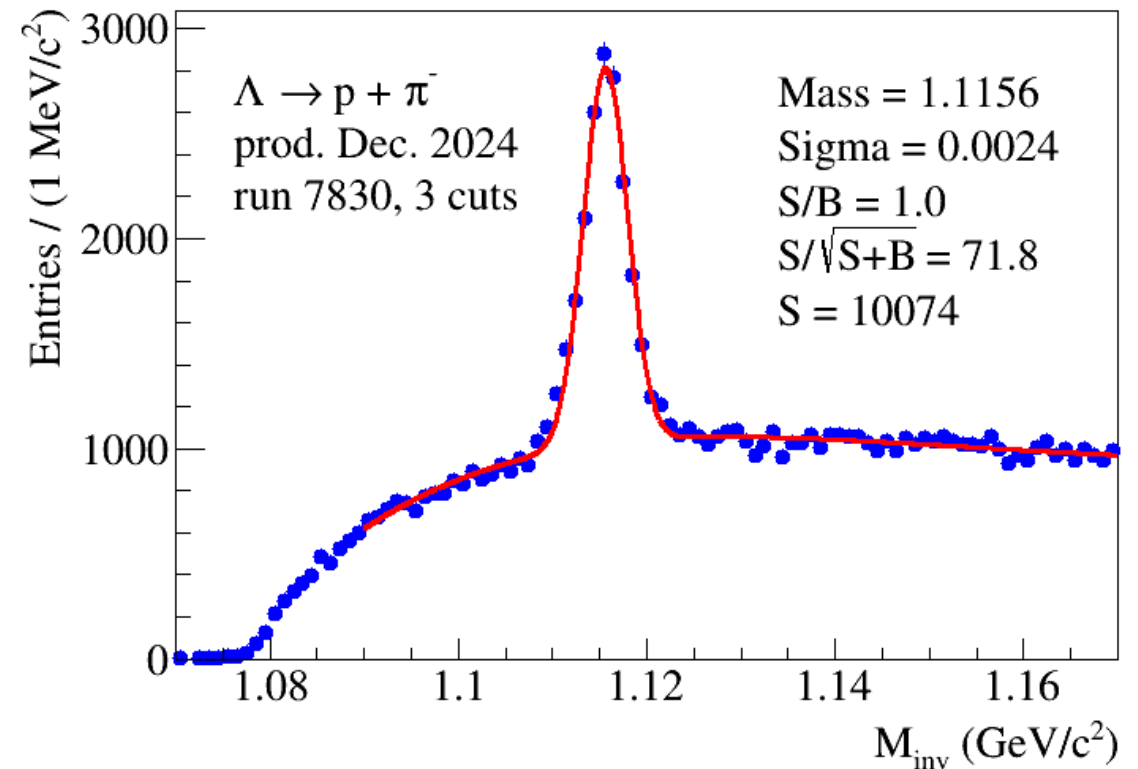
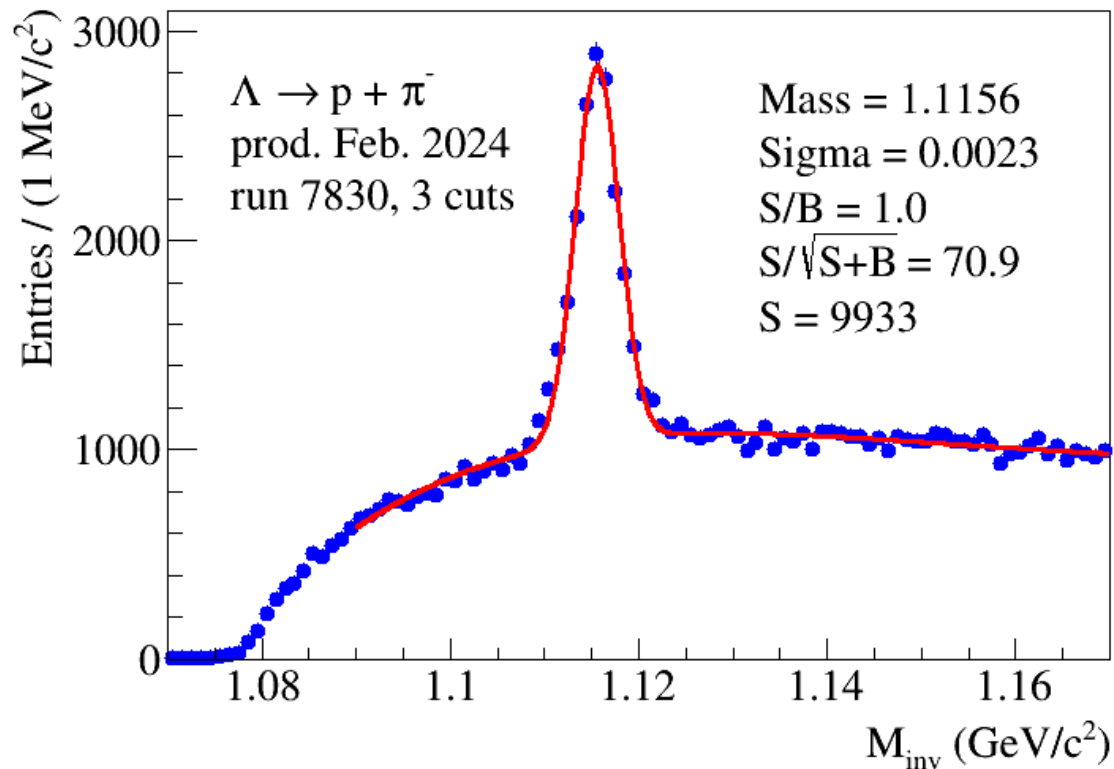
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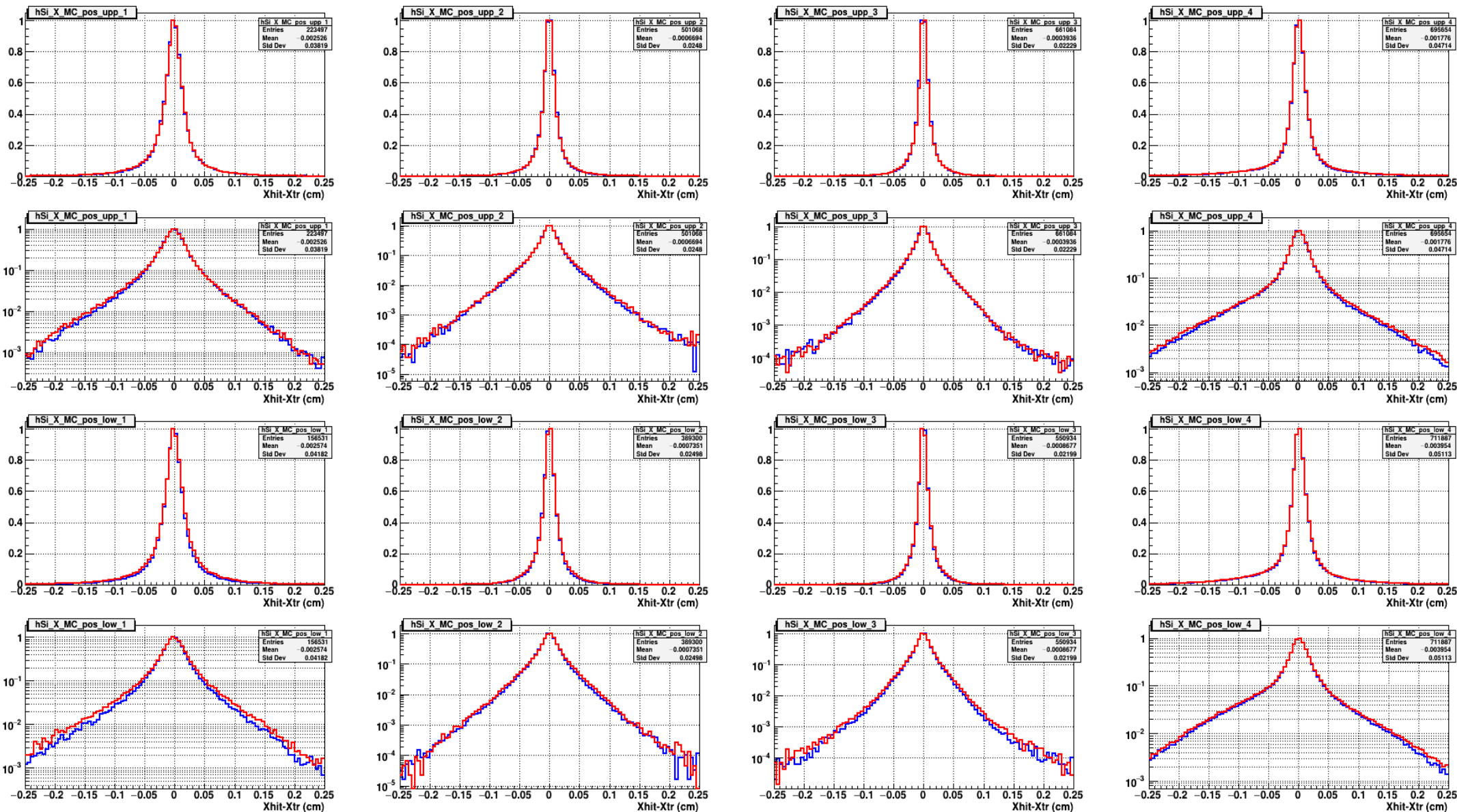
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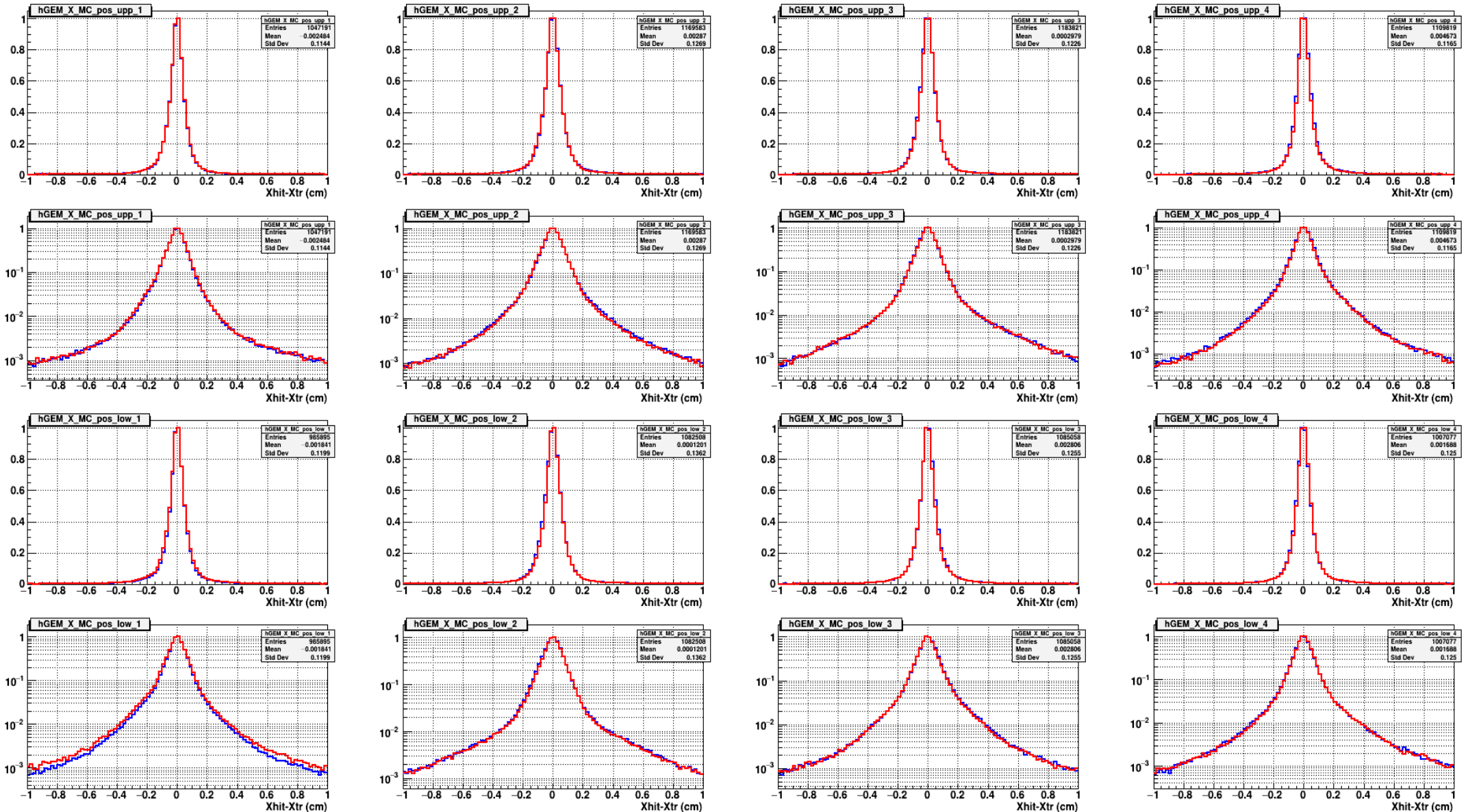
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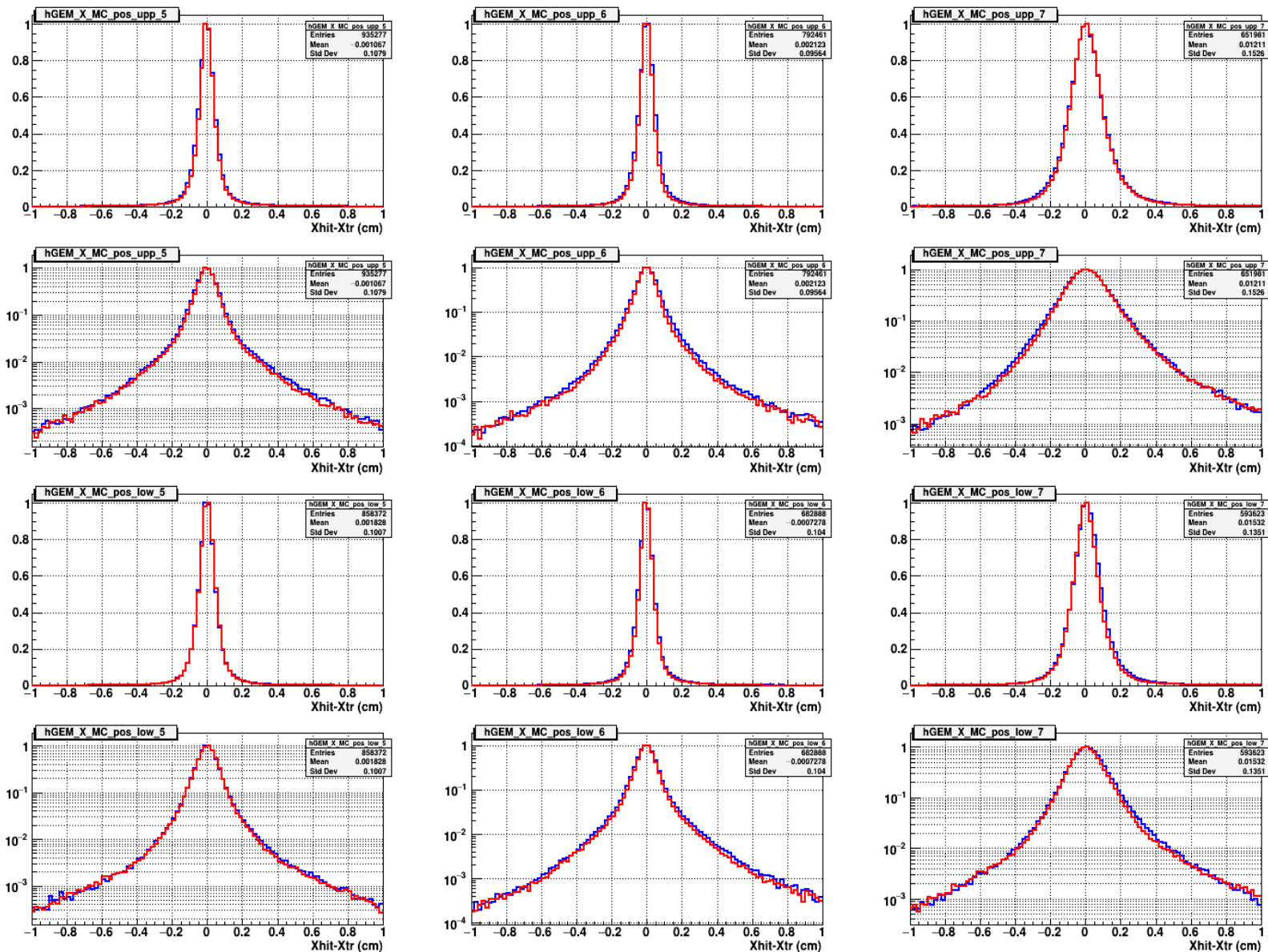
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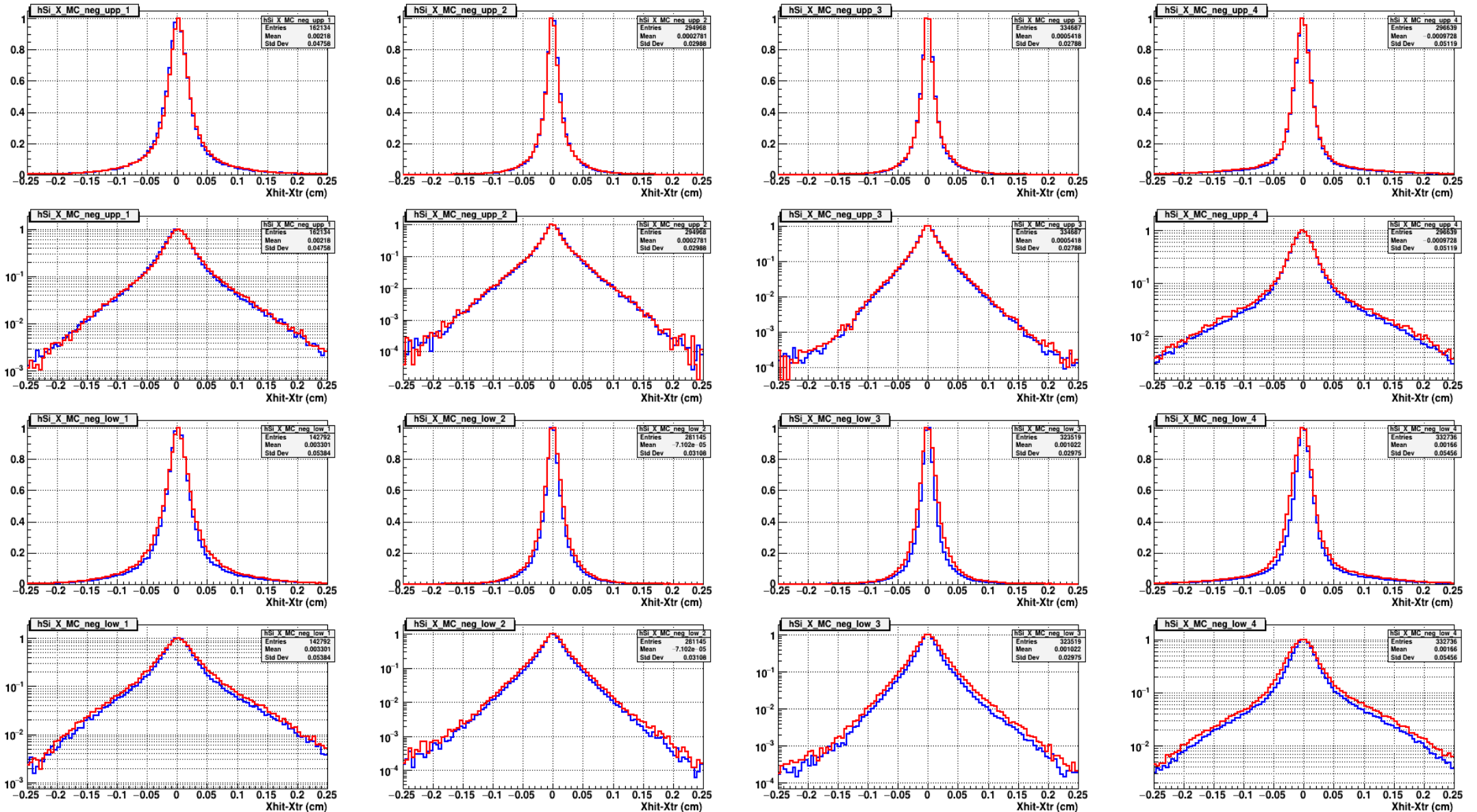


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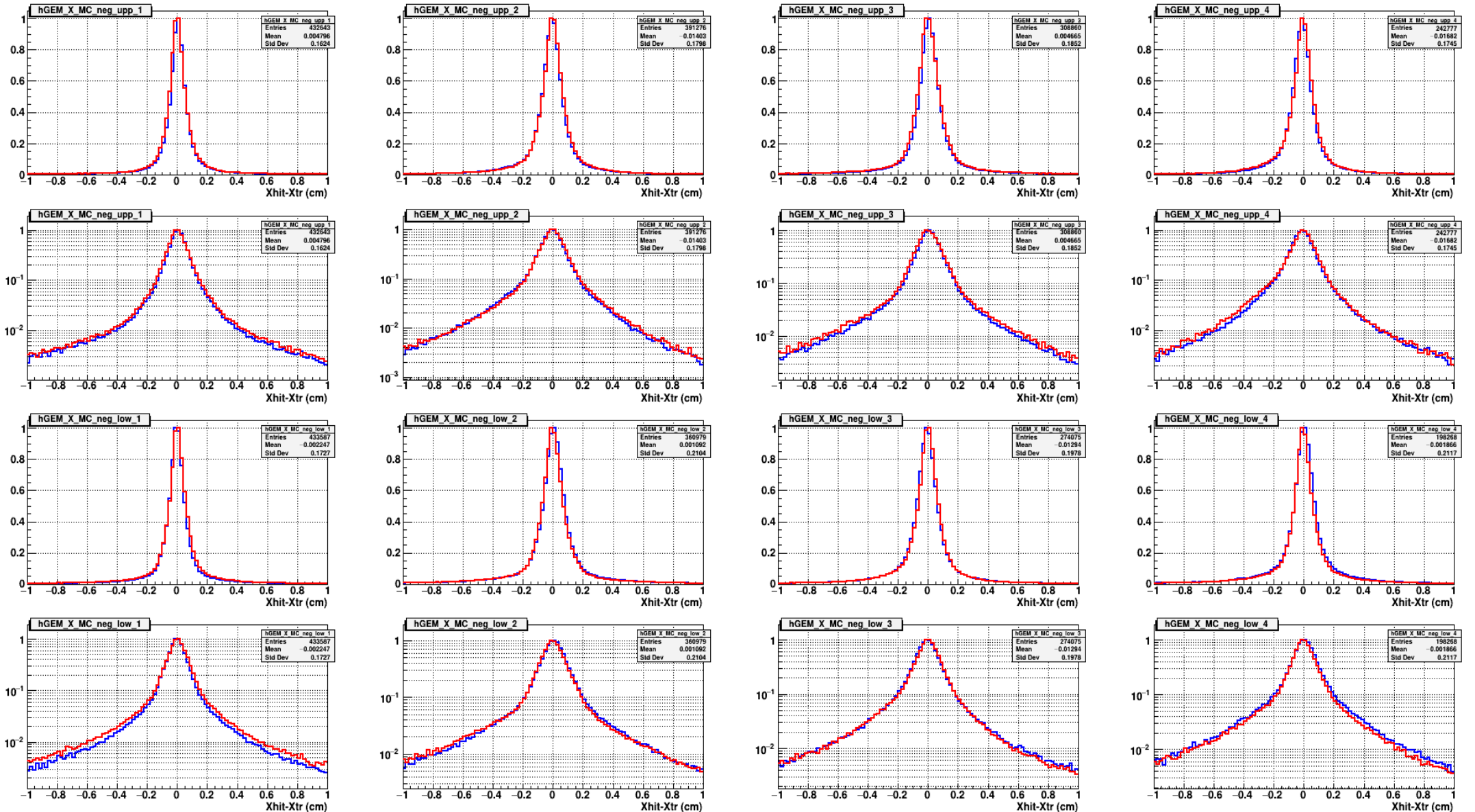




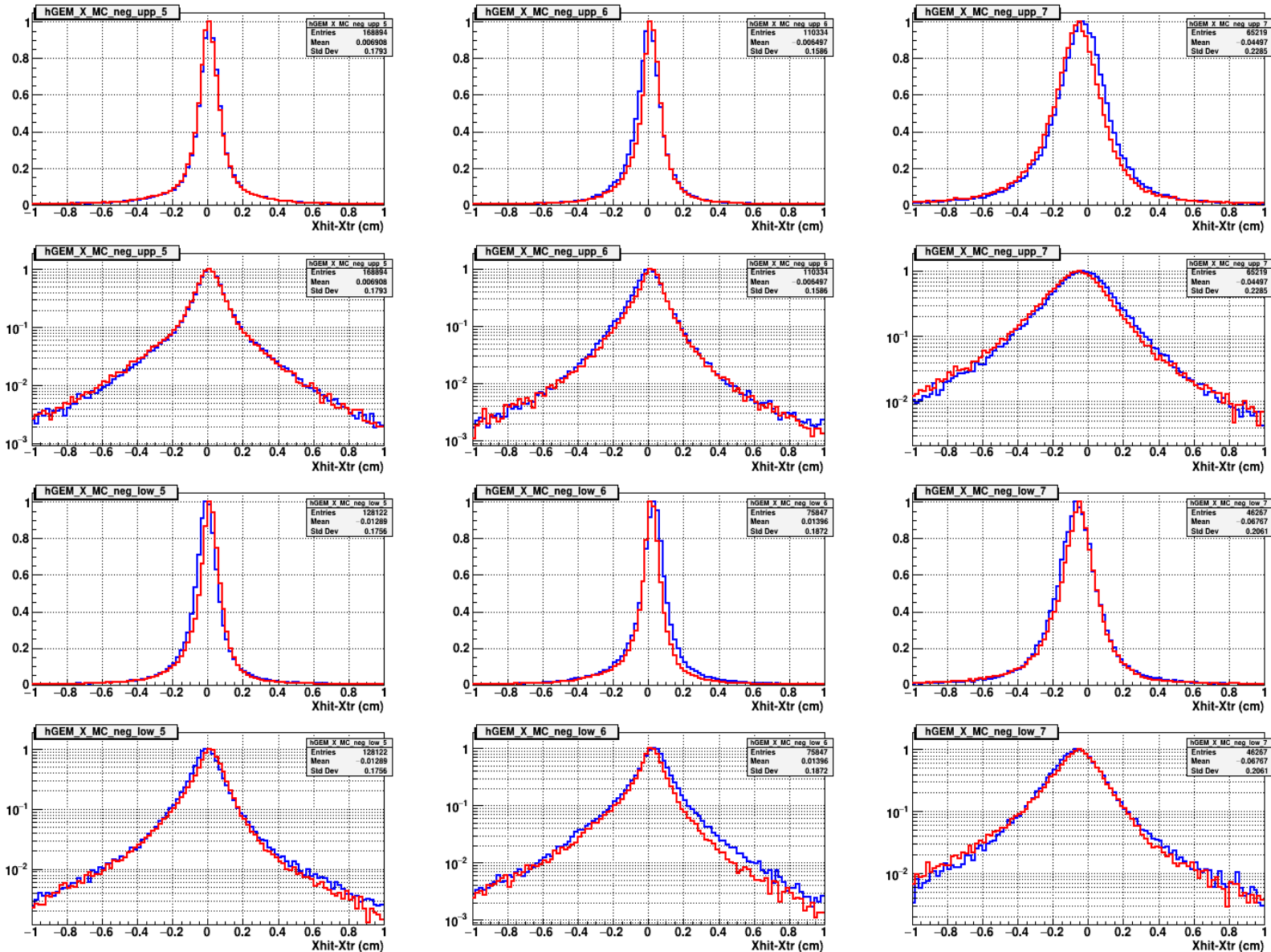
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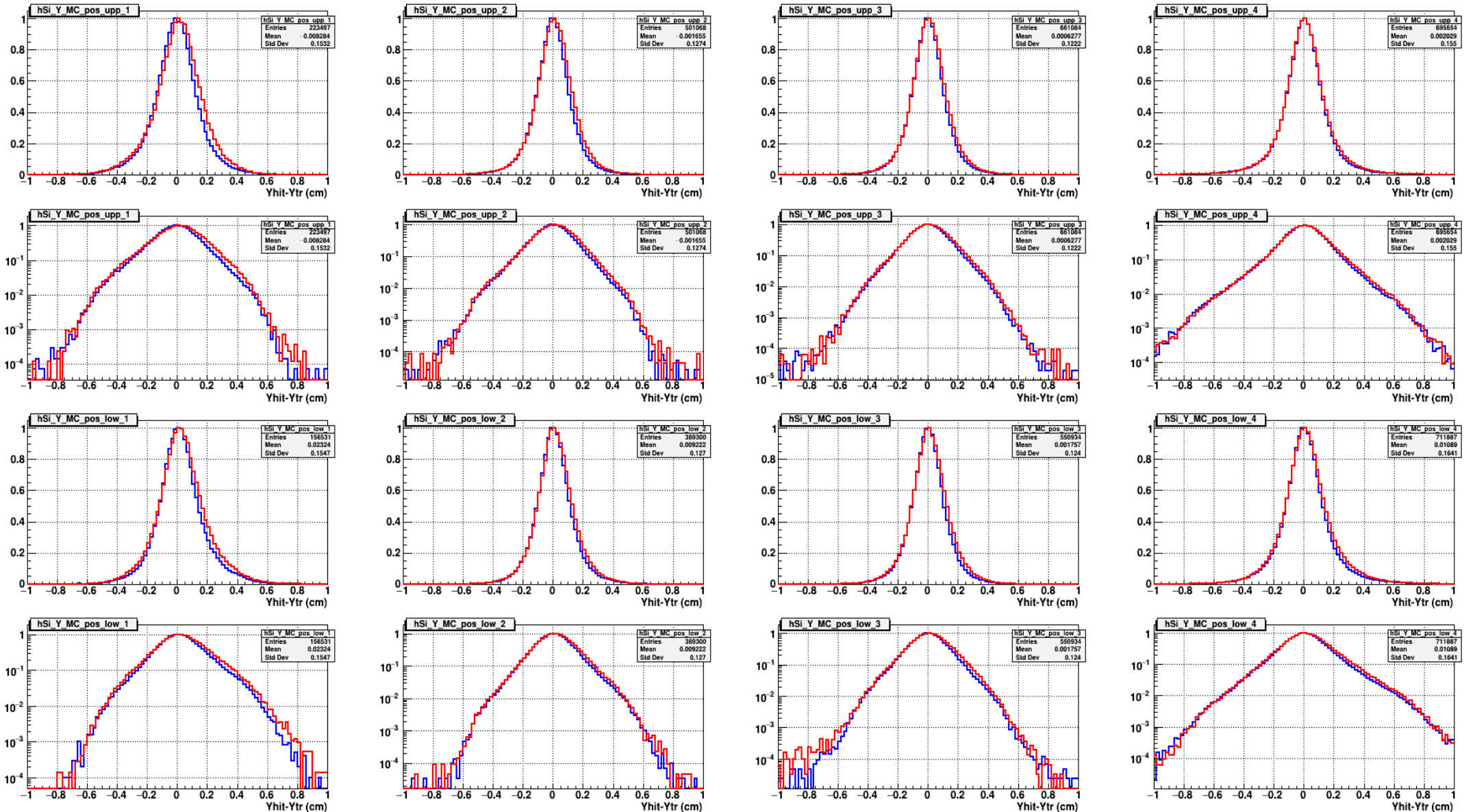
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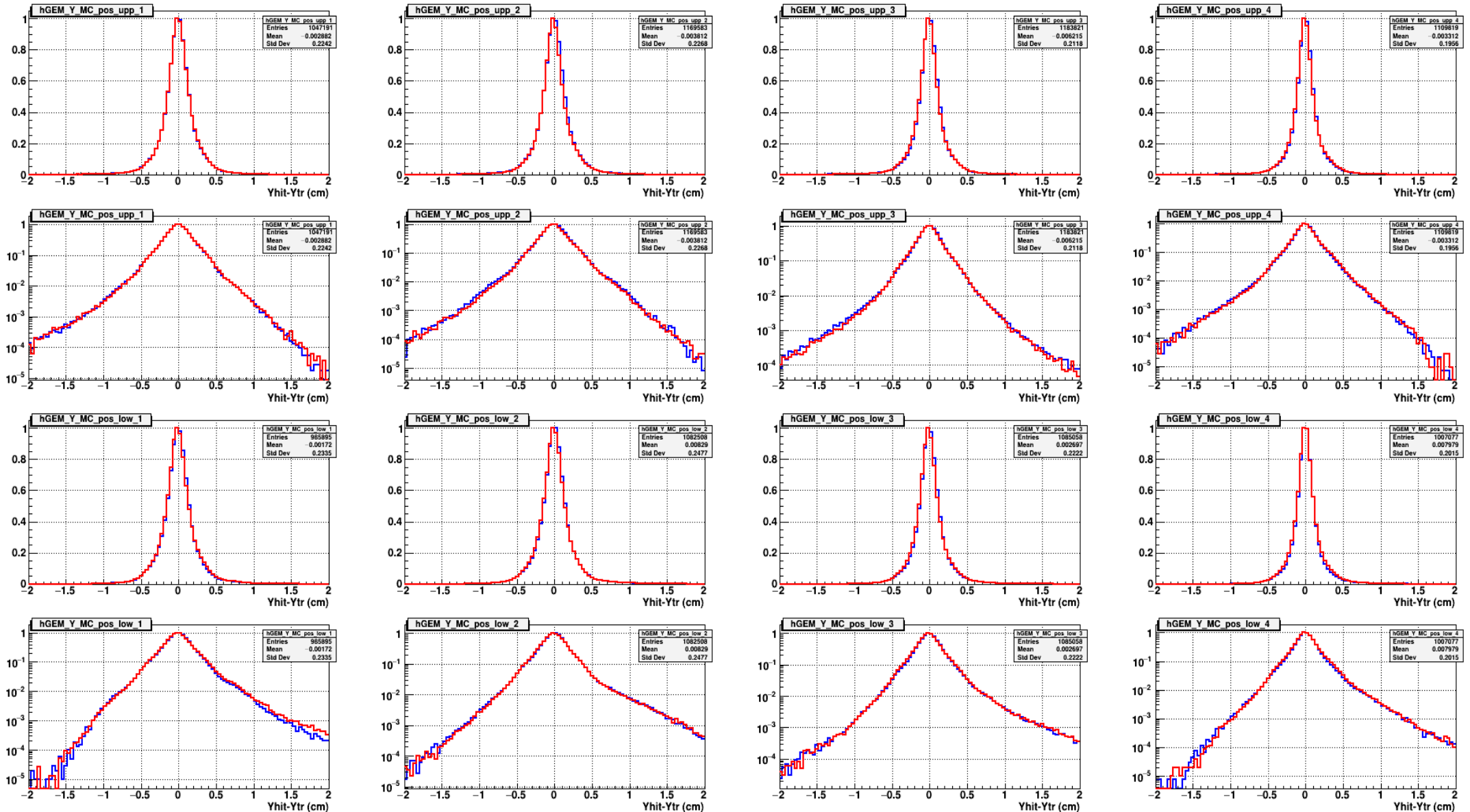
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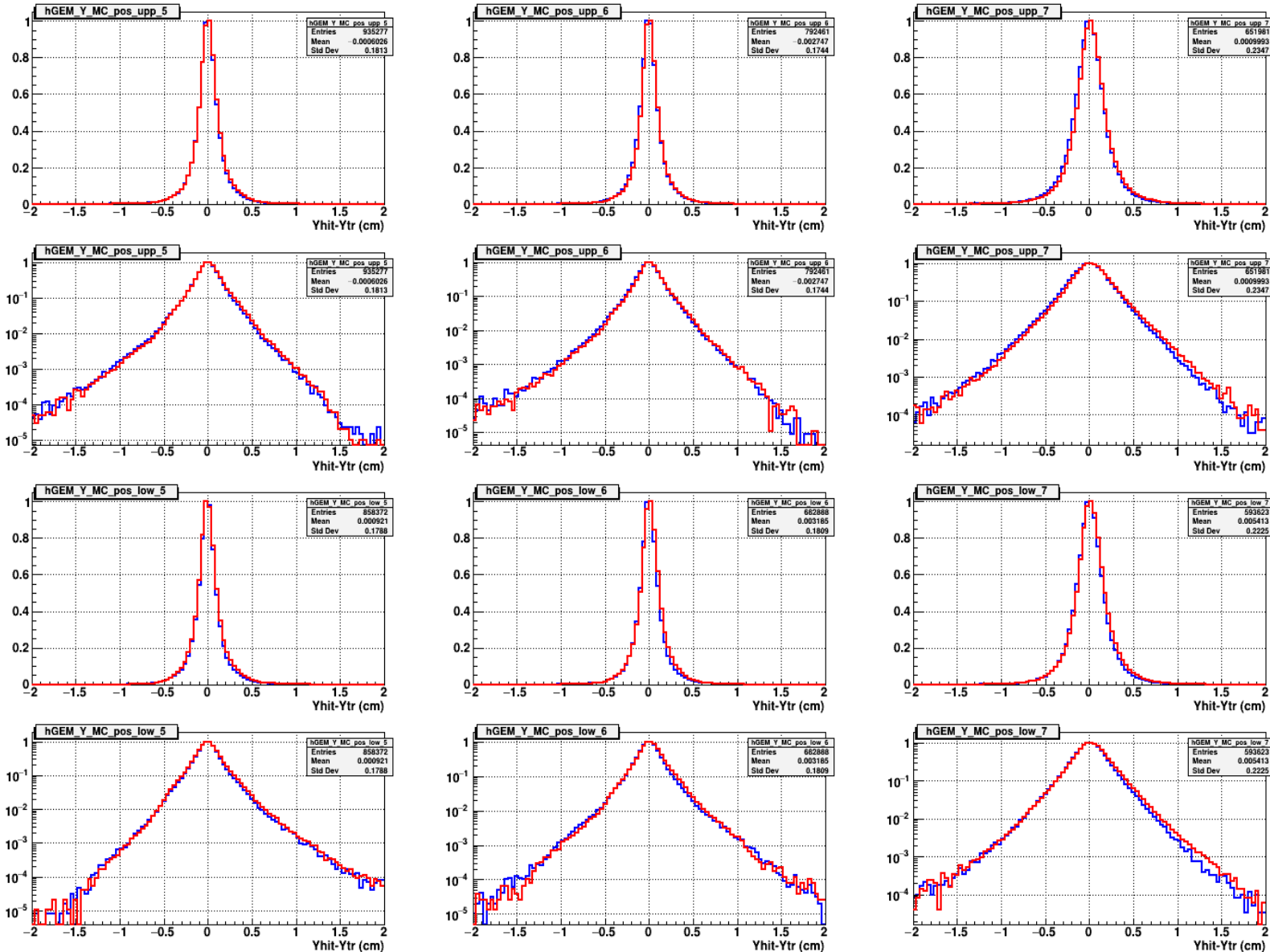
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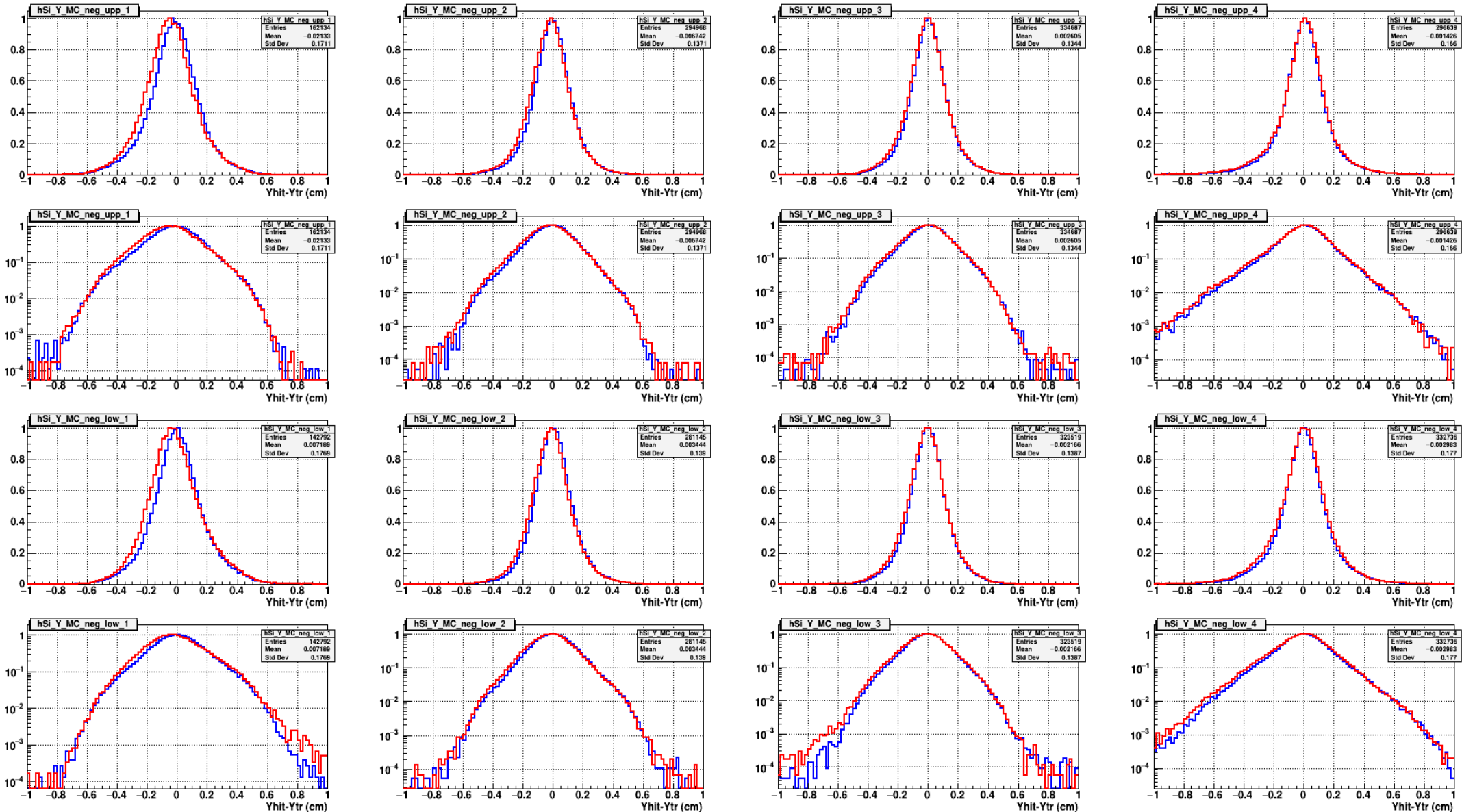
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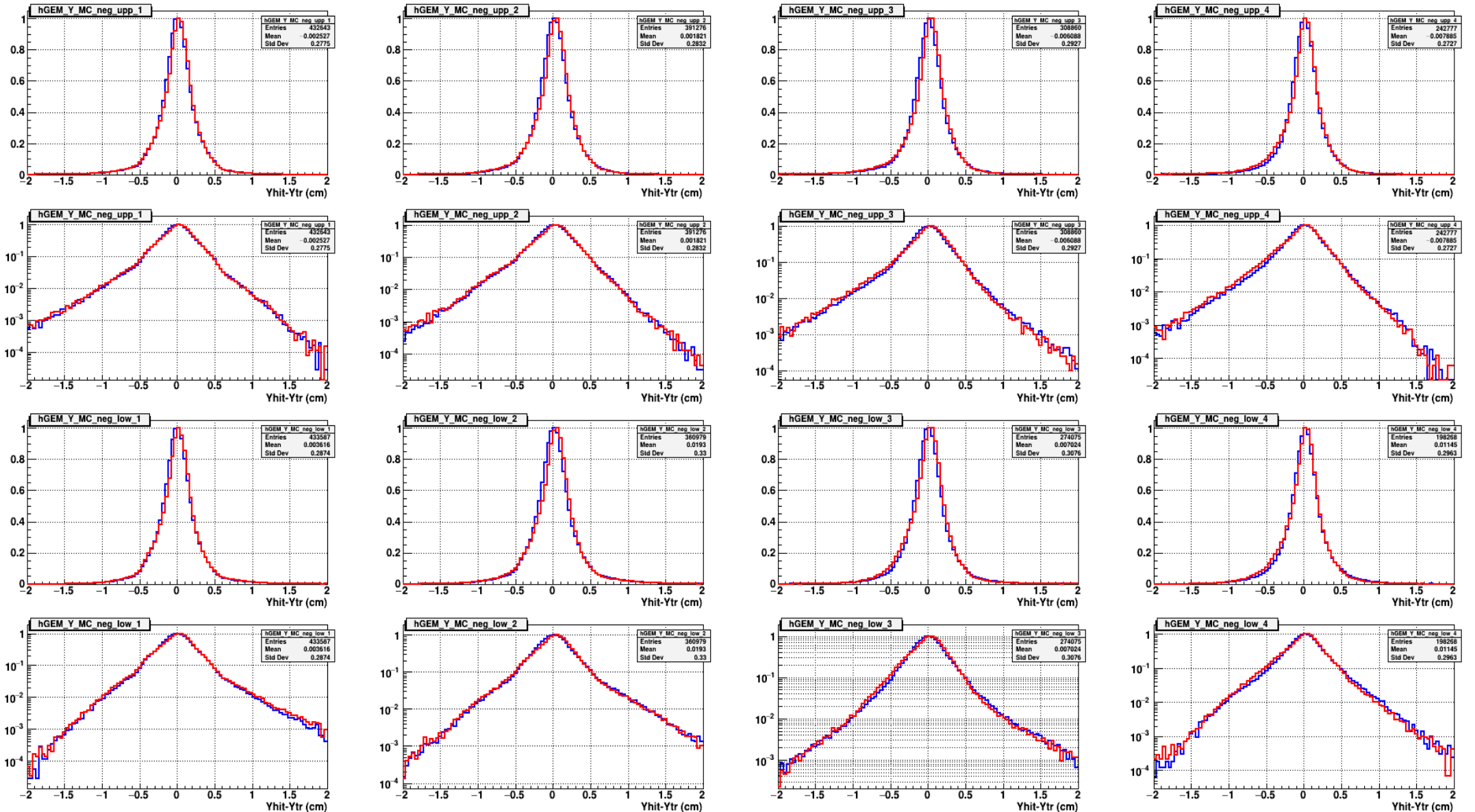
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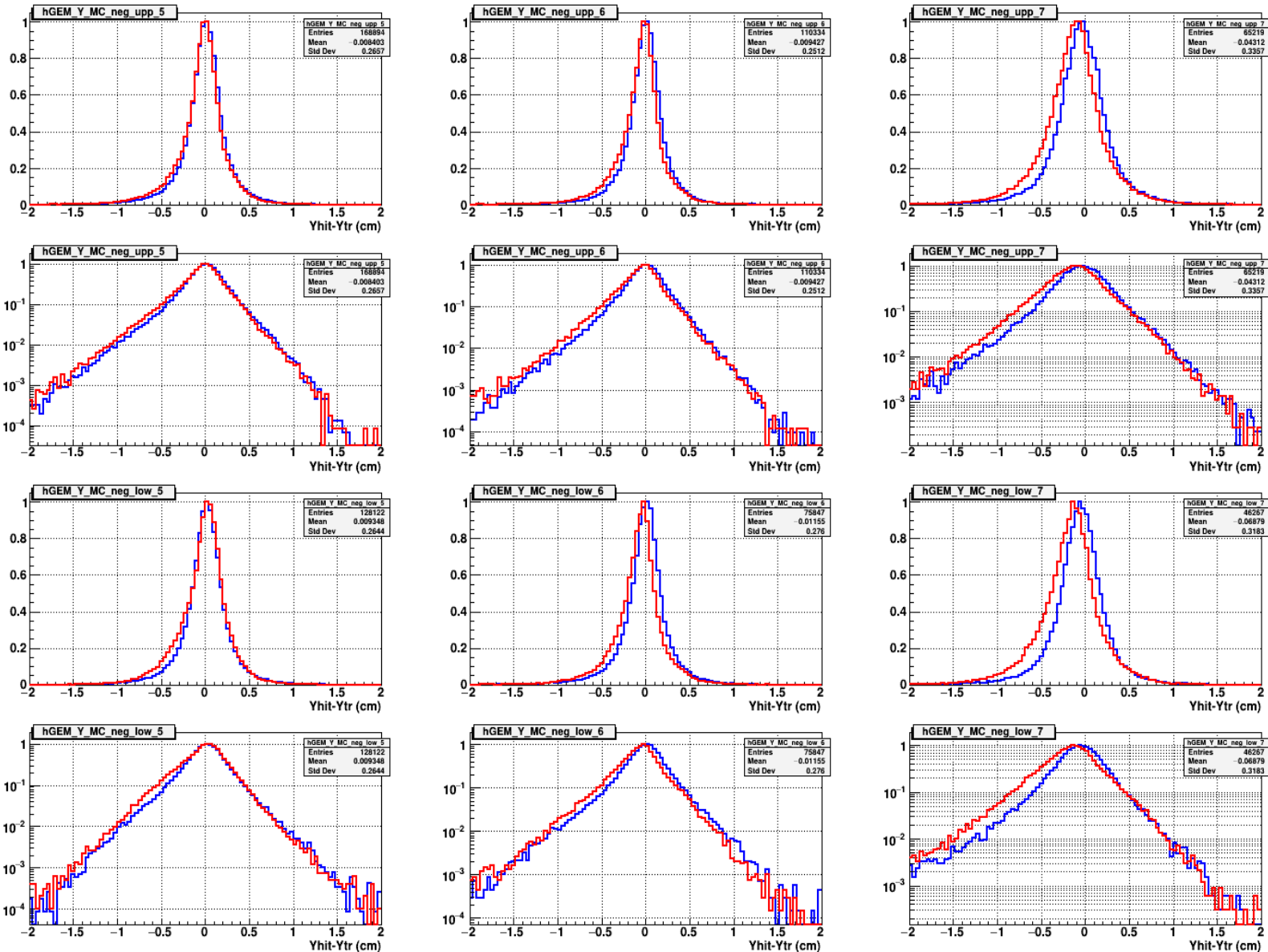


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## Strangeness production in $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3$ GeV Au+Au collisions at RHIC

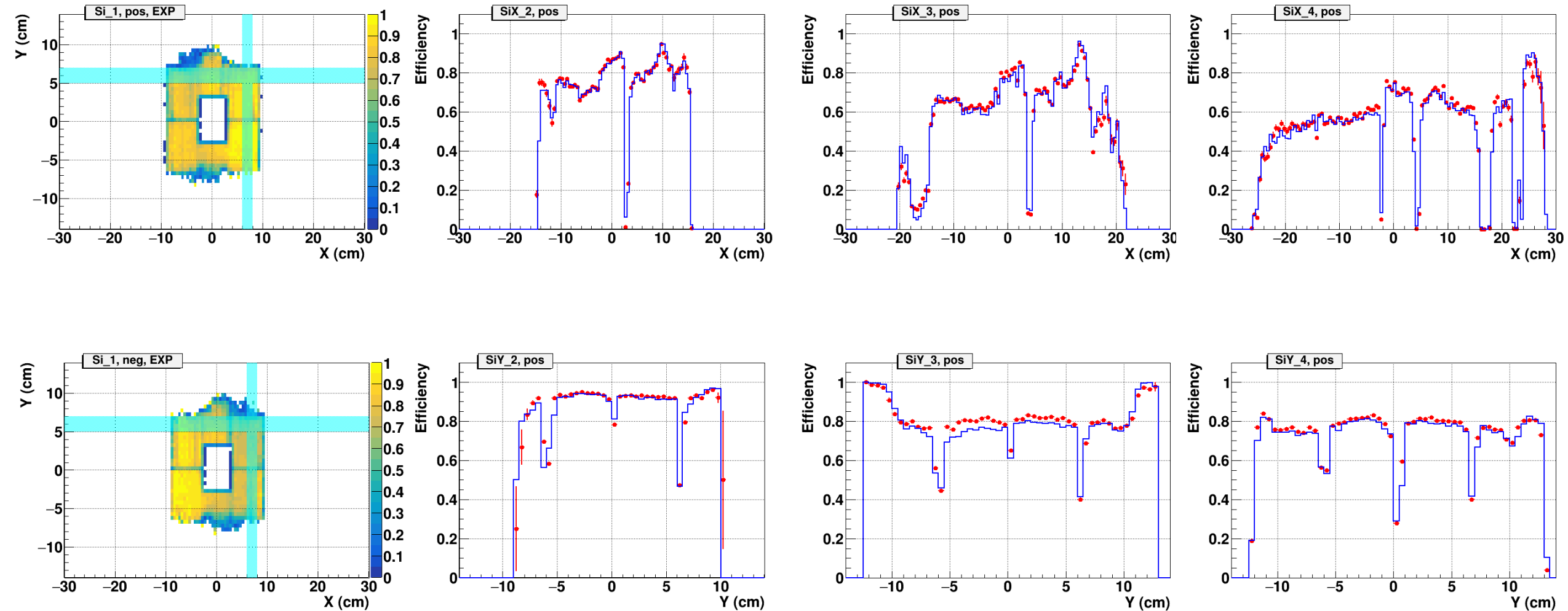
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Source	$\Lambda$	$K_S^0$
Topological cuts	0.7 – 3.4%	1.1 – 3.1%
Track selection	0.1 – 0.5%	0.6 – 4.6%
Tracking efficiency	10%	10%
Signal extraction	0.4 – 0.8%	0.1 – 0.7%
Extrapolation	3.6 – 11%	0.2 – 1.6%
Feed-down correction	0.4 – 0.8%	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.8 – 15.3%</b>	<b>10.2 – 11.6%</b>

**Table 1.** Summary of systematic uncertainties for the  $\Lambda$  and  $K_S^0$   $dN/dy$  measurements in 0-10% Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3.0$  GeV. The ranges indicate the variation of the systematic uncertainty among rapidity bins.

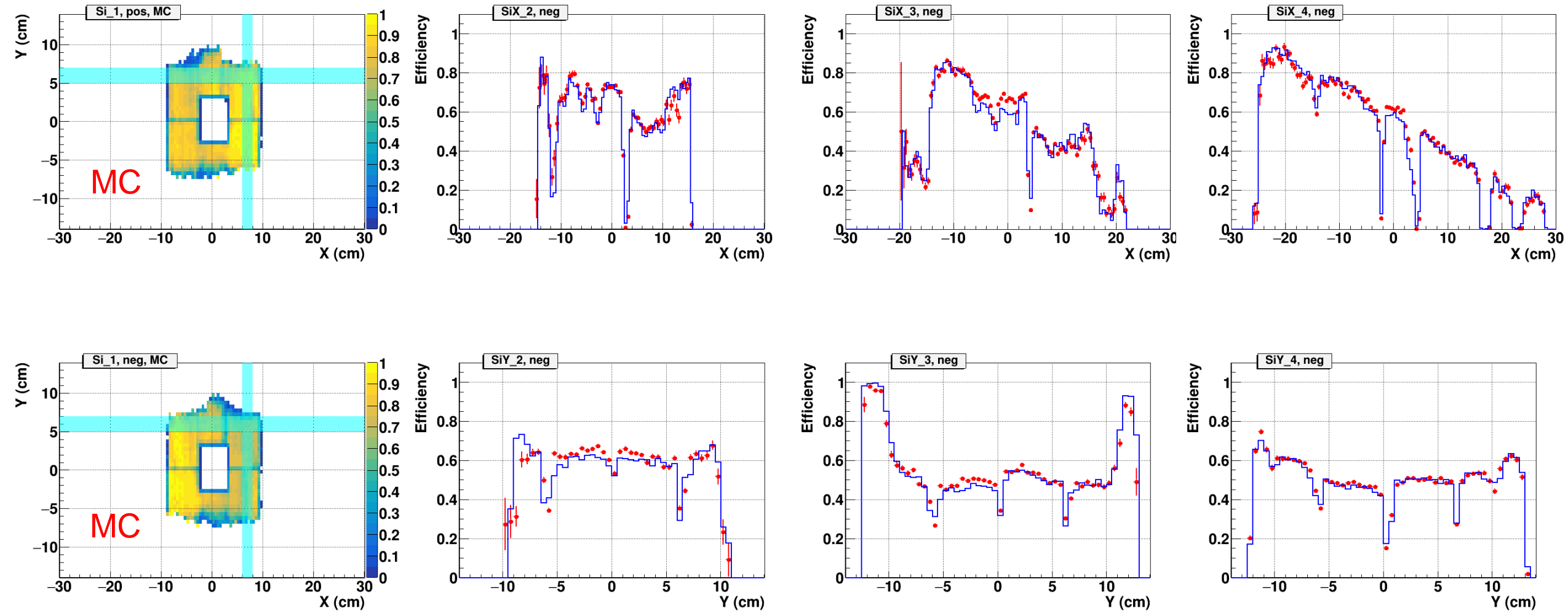
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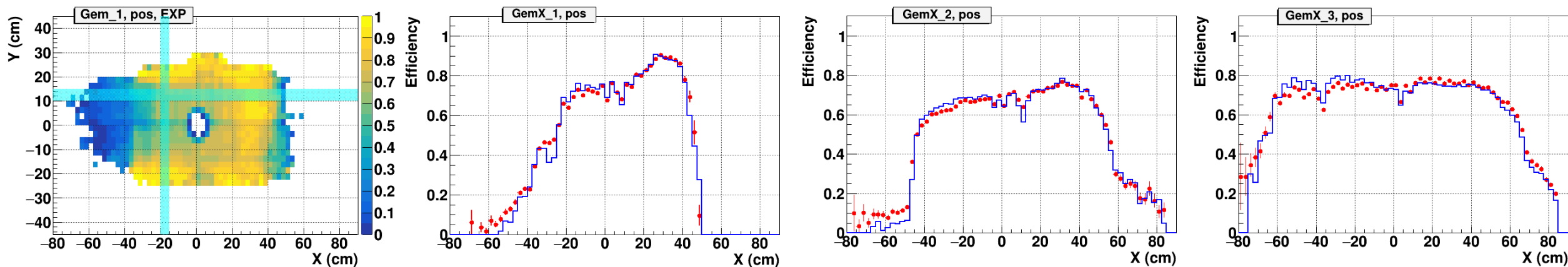
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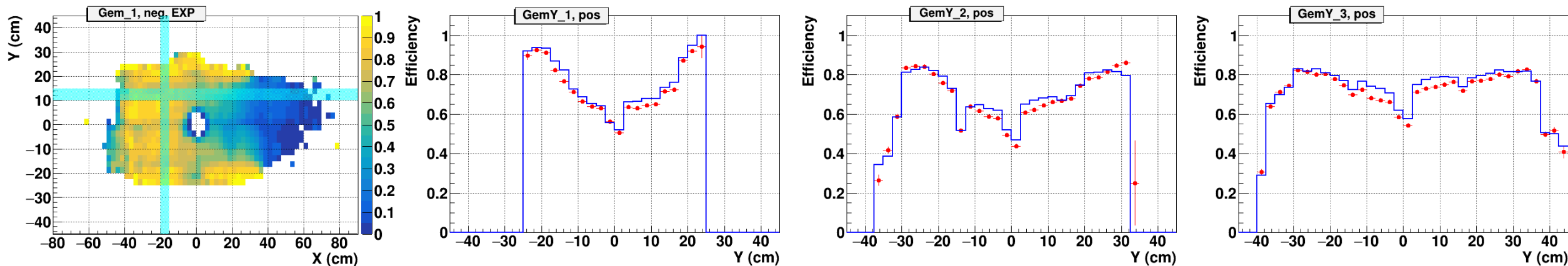


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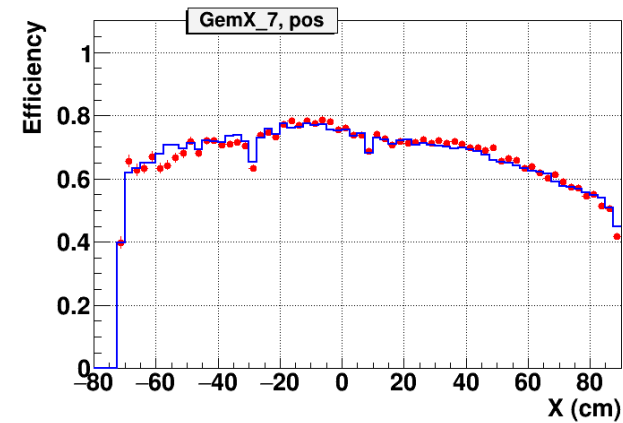
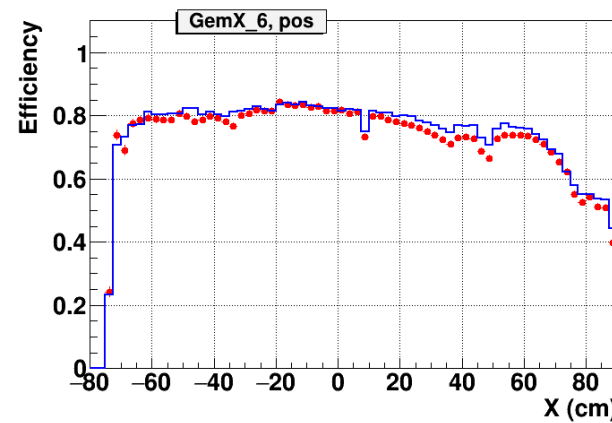
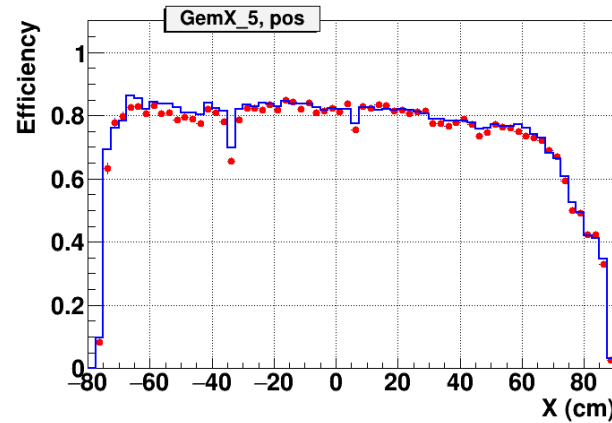
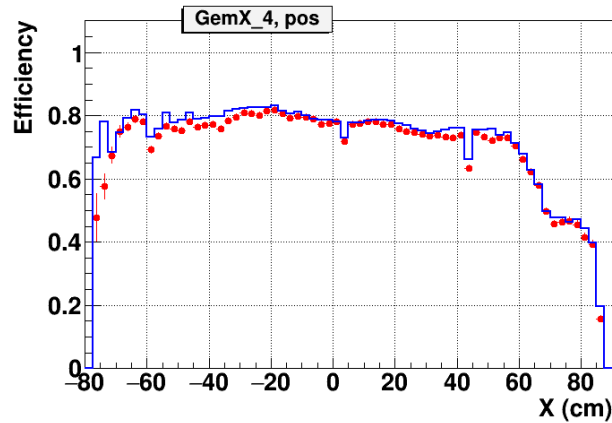


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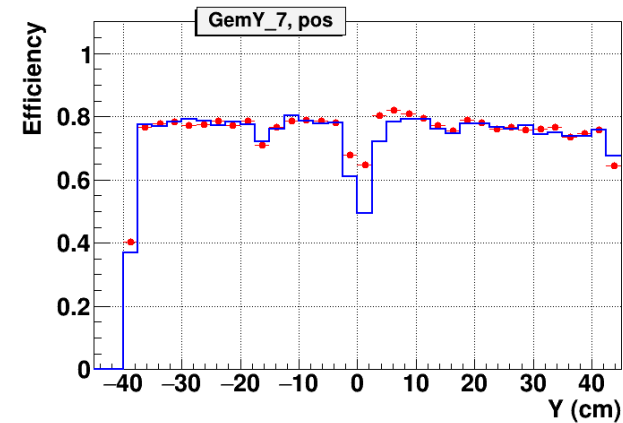
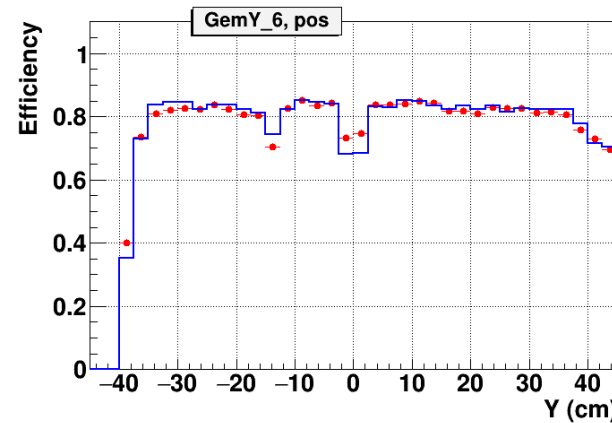
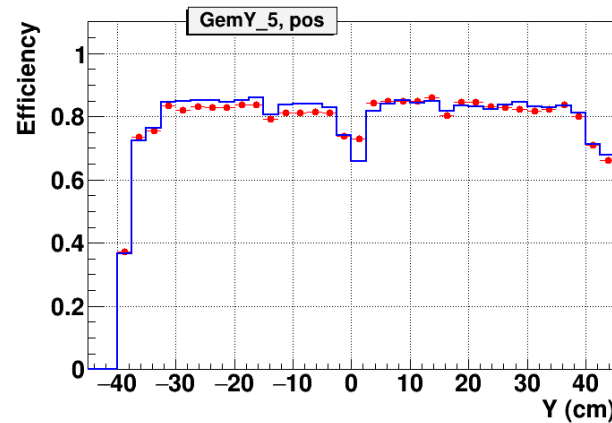
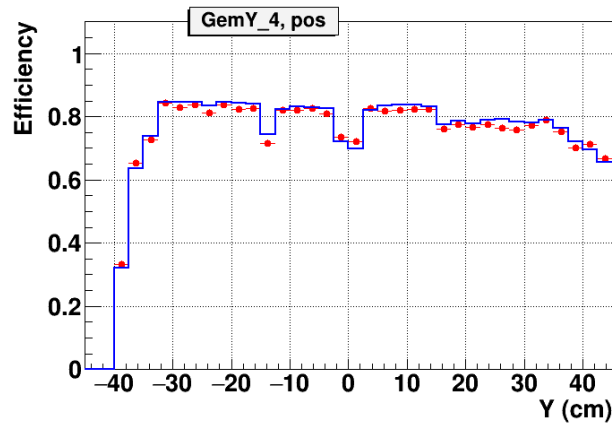


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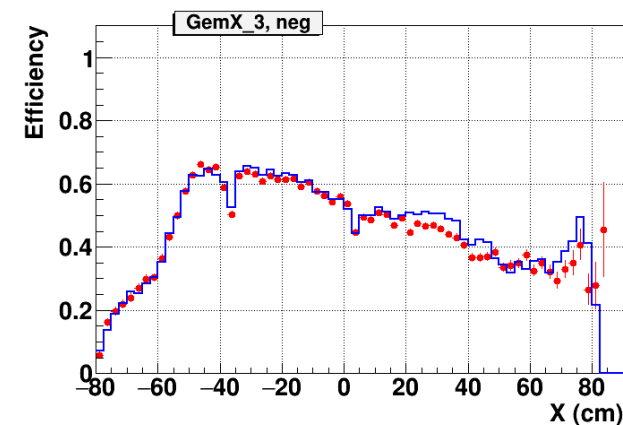
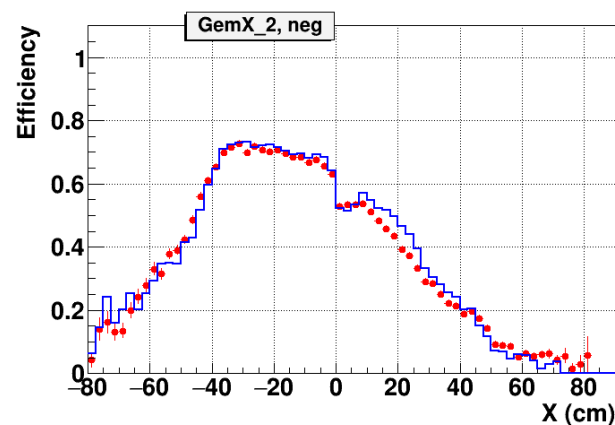
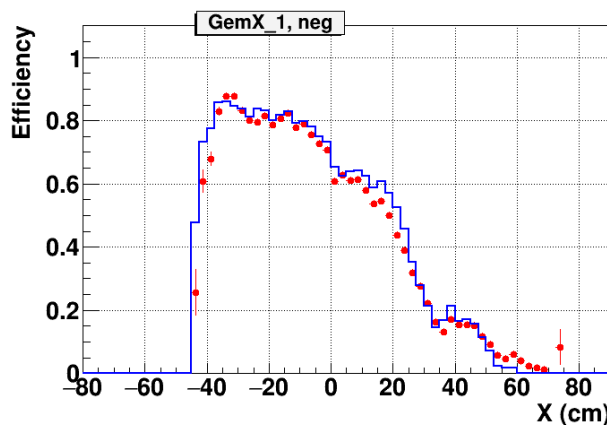


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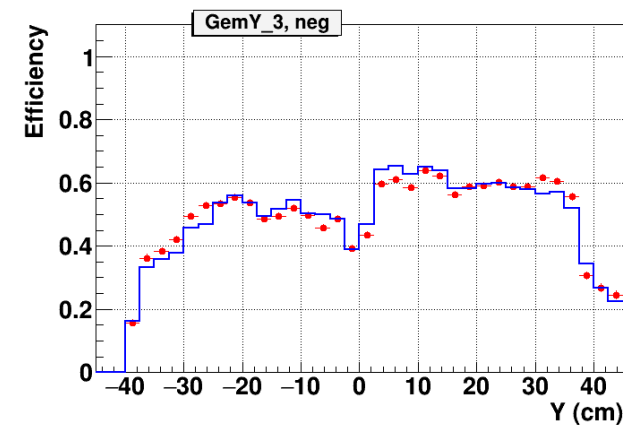
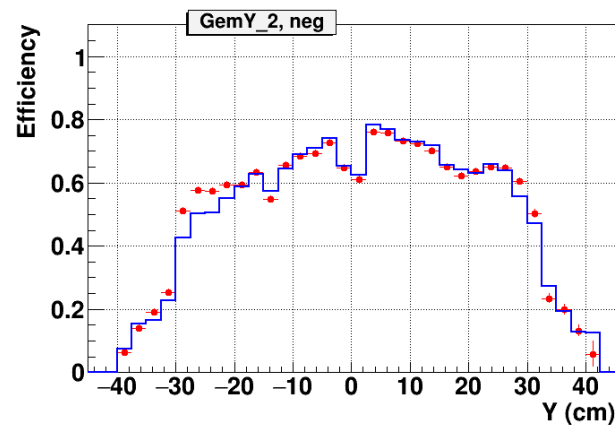
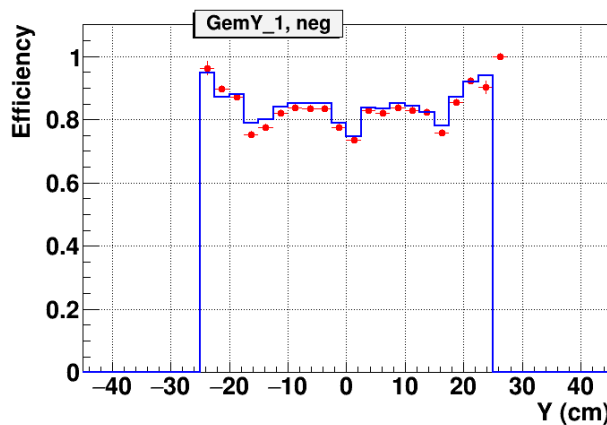


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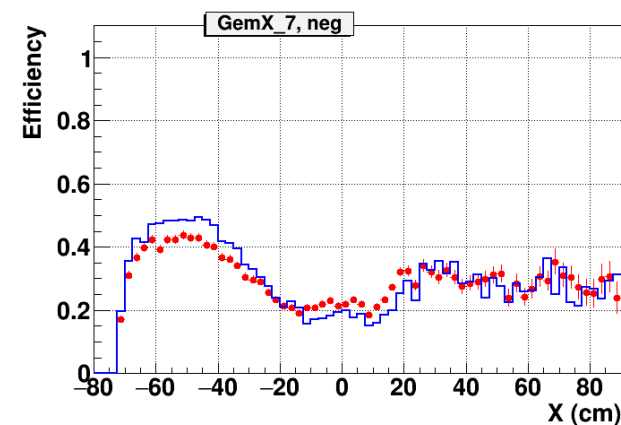
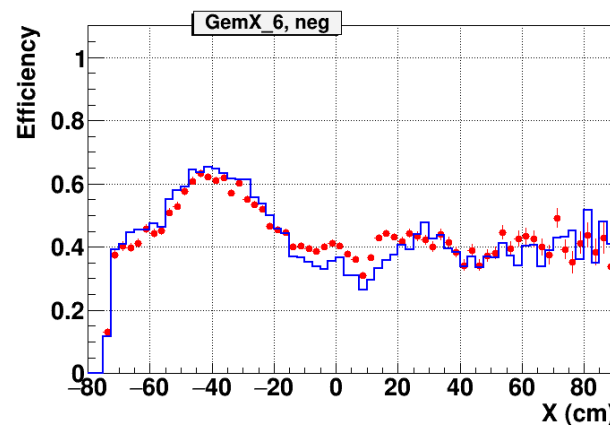
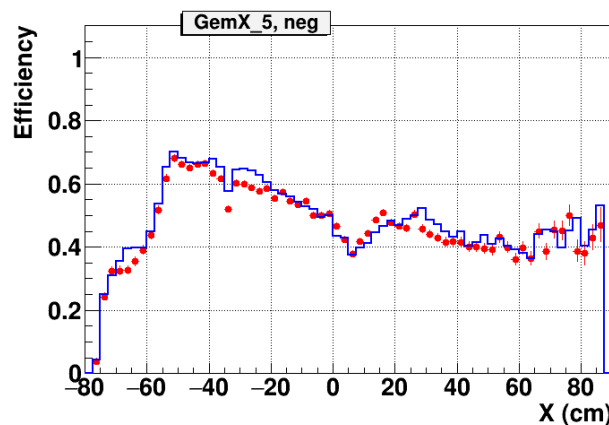
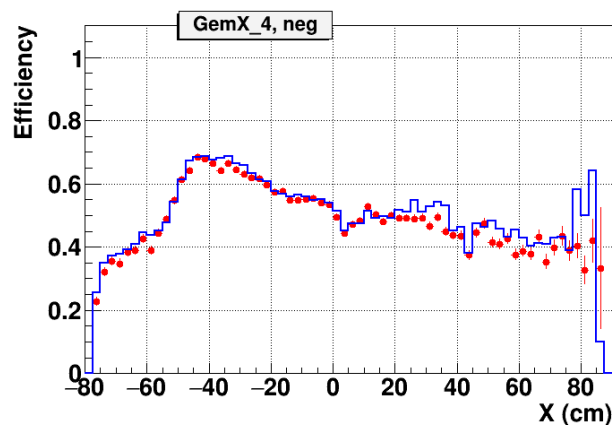


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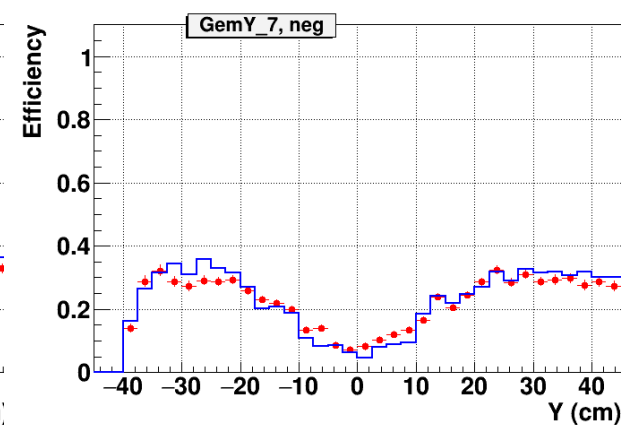
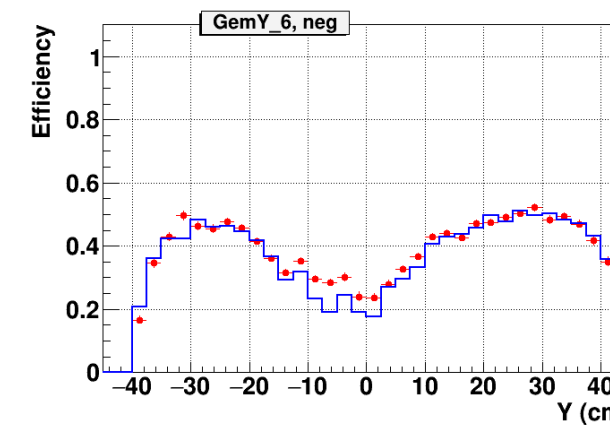
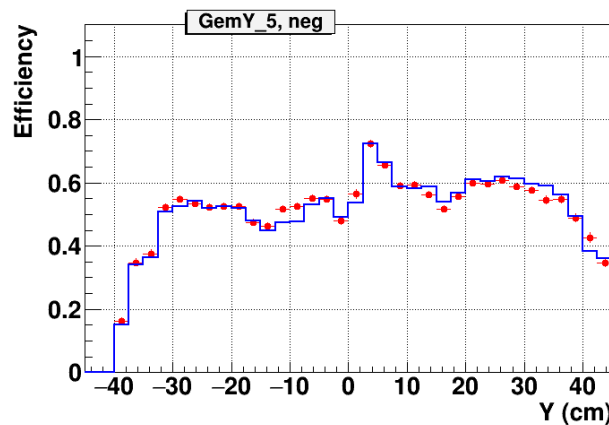
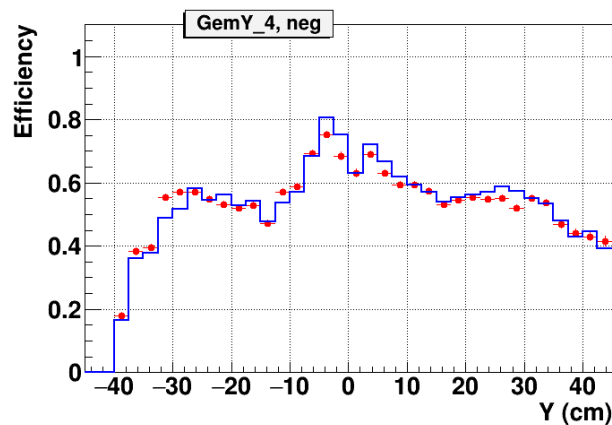


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Data vs MC



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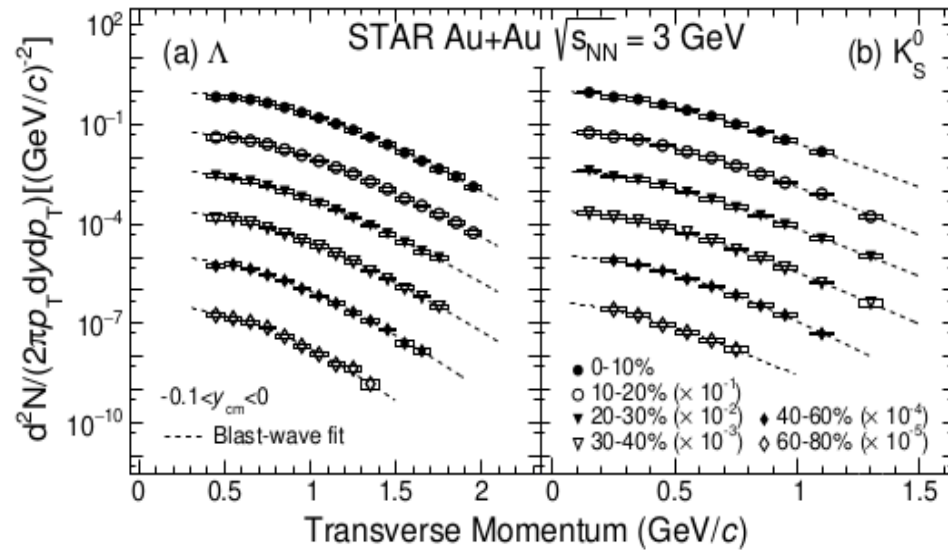




# Towards physics analysis



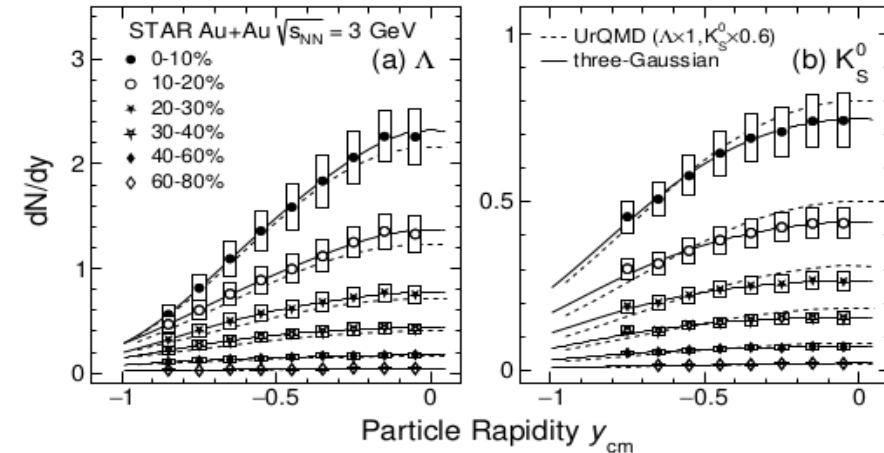
Statistics: 260 mln. events



**Figure 2.** Transverse-momentum spectra of  $\Lambda$  (a) and  $K_S^0$  (b) at mid-rapidity from different centrality bins in Au + Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3$  GeV. The spectra are scaled by consecutive factors of  $10^{-1}$  for each centrality bin as indicated in the legend. The vertical lines and boxes represent the statistical and systematic uncertainties, respectively. The dashed curves represent fits to the data using the blast-wave model.

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**Figure 3.** The rapidity dependence of  $dN/dy$  of particles for different centrality bins in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3$  GeV. The vertical lines and boxes represent the statistical and systematic uncertainties, respectively. The solid lines represent the three-Gaussian function that fit the data points. The dashed lines are the calculations from hadronic transport model UrQMD [42].

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## Reconstruction of decays of strange particles produced in Xe+CsI interactions with the BM@N detector

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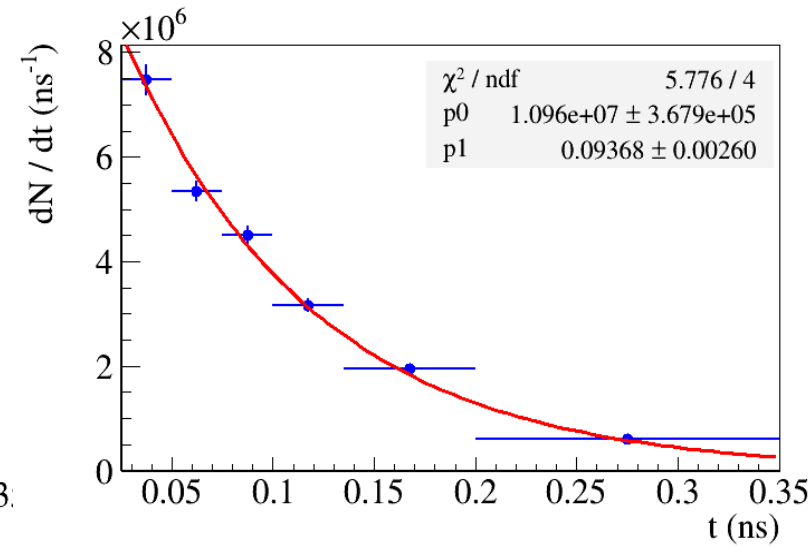
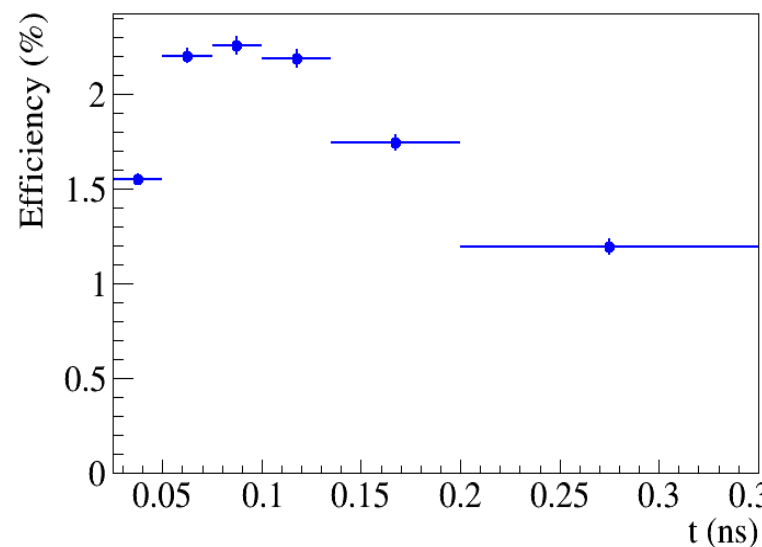
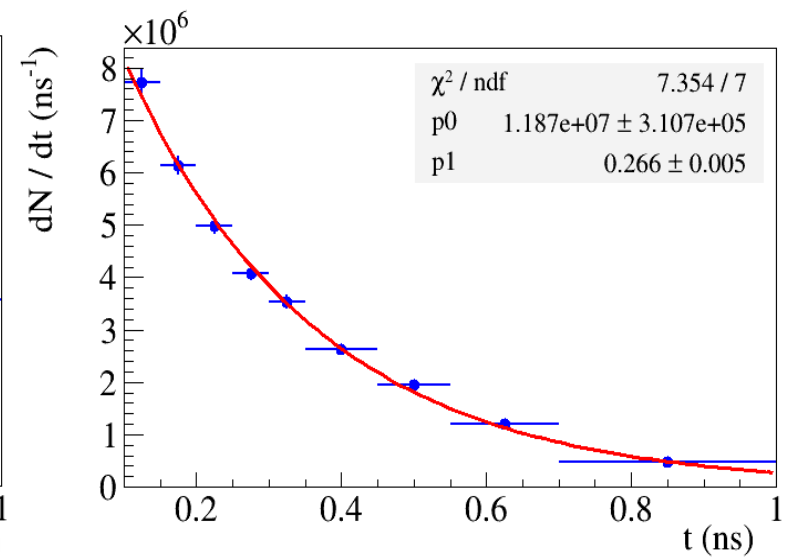
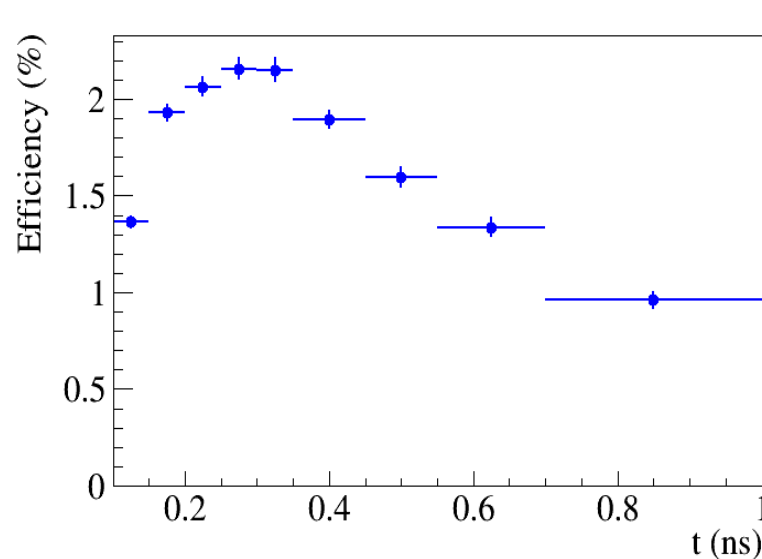
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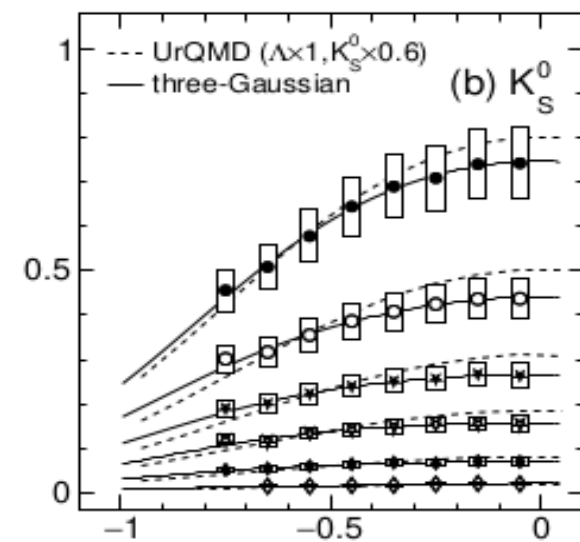
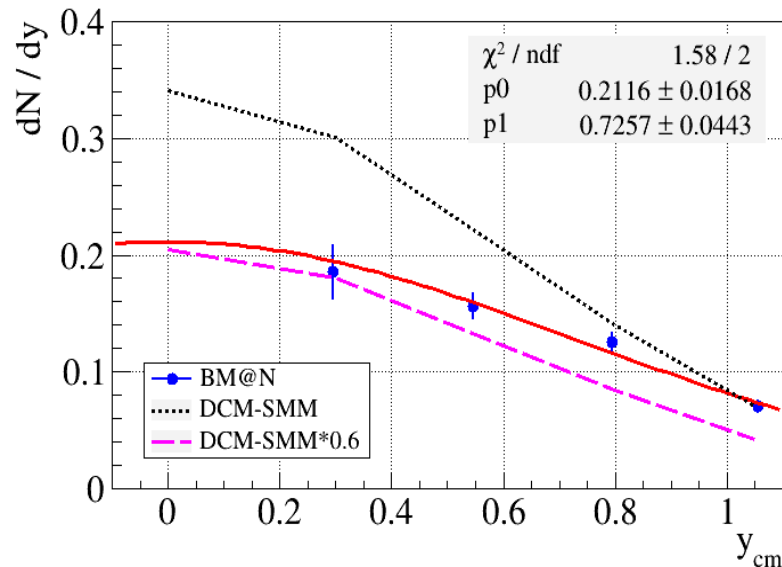
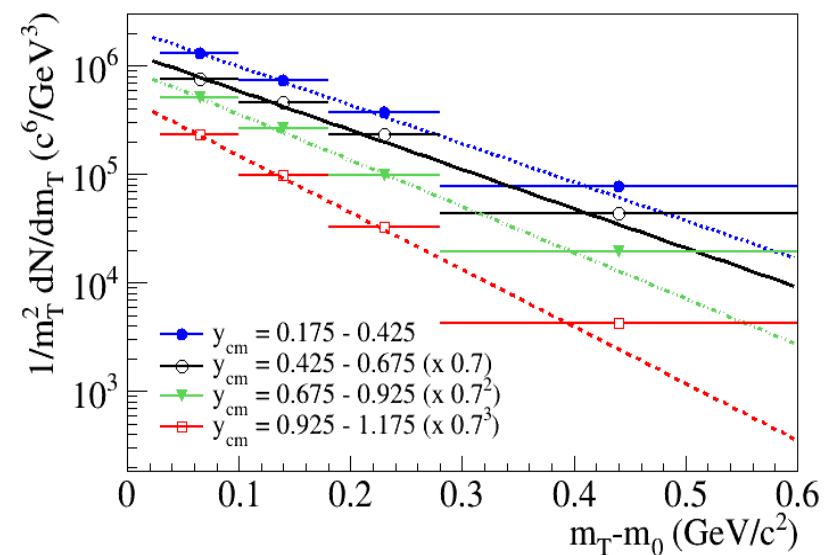
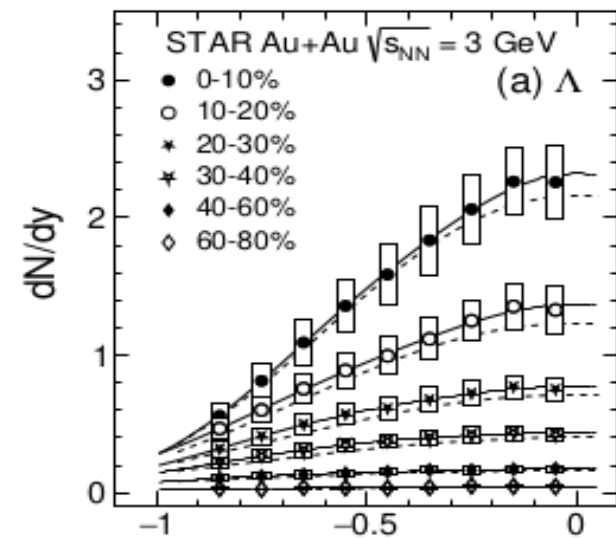
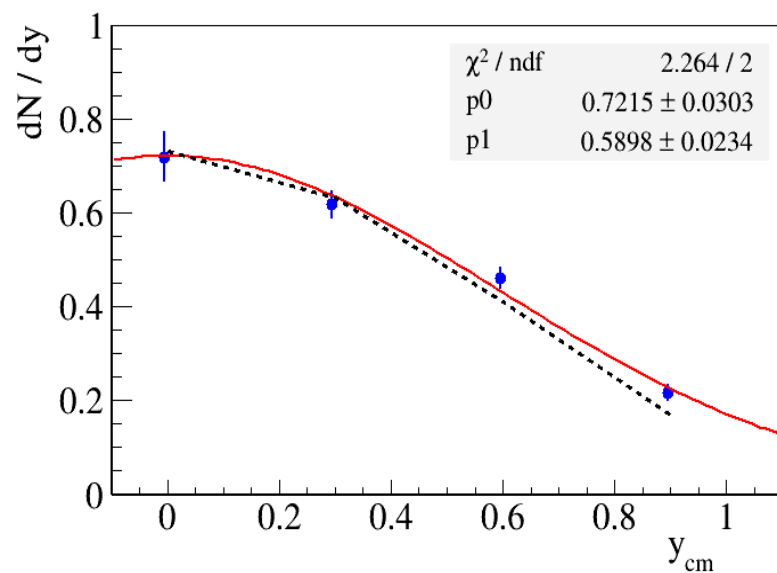
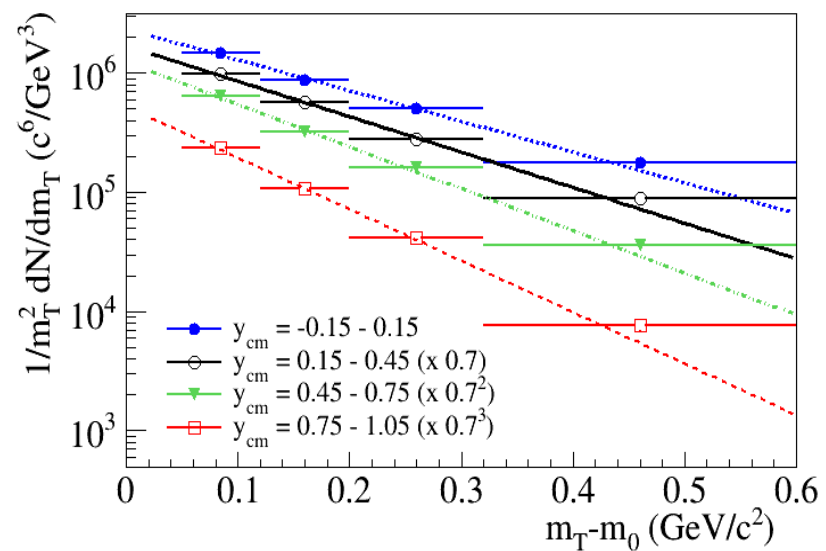
### Abstract

In December, 2022 - January, 2023 the BM@N experiment conducted its first physics run with full detector configuration. Over 500 million events of Xe beam interactions with CsI target with the beam kinetic energy of 3.8A GeV were collected.

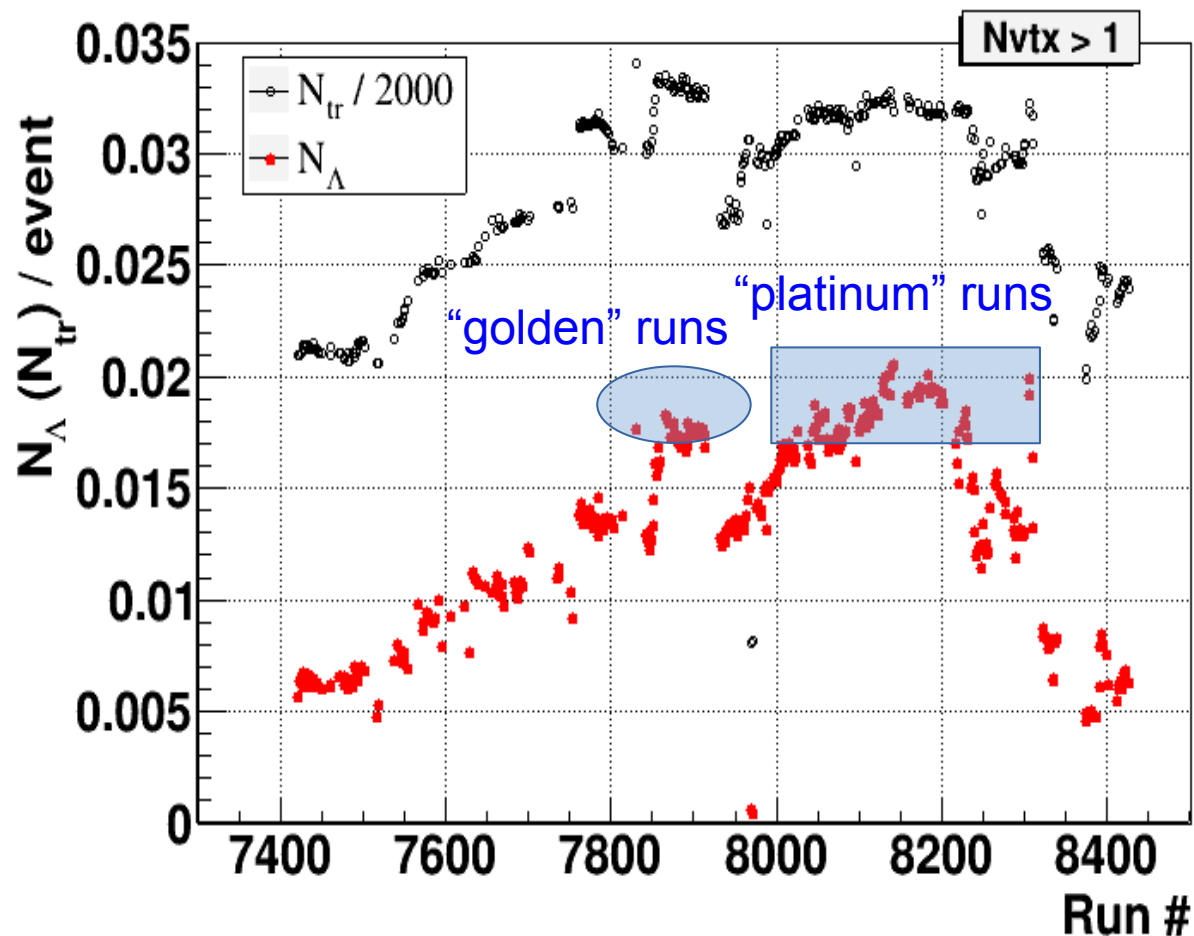
Since then, strong efforts have been put to reconstruct the collected data and make preparations for physics analyses. The current status of such an activity related to reconstruction of strange particles weakly decayed to charged hadrons is presented in this paper. Main steps of the analysis procedure for a study of the strangeness production in nuclear collisions are outlined as well.



# Steps towards physics analysis



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## Next steps:

1. Estimate number of  $\Lambda$  and  $K_s^0$  in “golden” and “platinum” runs in centrality bins 0-10% and 40-60%
2. The other runs: evaluate the possibility to use a “simplified” Monte Carlo simulation (for signal particles only) to obtain the efficiency.

## Summary

1. Monte Carlo tuning is done – no intention to make it better at this stage.
2. 10 mln. events of DCM-SMM have been produced.
3. 100 runs of experimental data with  $N_{\Lambda}/\text{event} > 0.017$ , ~60 mln. events with reconstructed vertex ( $N_{\text{vtx}} > 1$ ).
4. Procedures to produce physics distributions are available and tested.
5. UrQMD can be used with fragment creator (from V.Kireyeu).
6. Resonances can be studied with UrQMD (also tested with DCM-SMM).

## Next steps

1. Estimate number of  $\Lambda$  and  $K_s^0$  in “golden” and “platinum” runs in centrality bins 0-10% and 40-60% using centrality estimator with track multiplicity and Glauber fit.
2. Evaluate the possibility to use a “simplified” Monte Carlo simulation (for signal particles only) to obtain the efficiency for remaining runs.
3. Produce  $m_T$  ( $p_T$ ) spectra, obtain rapidity spectra. Evaluate systematics.
4. Look at  $\Xi^-$  in Monte Carlo.