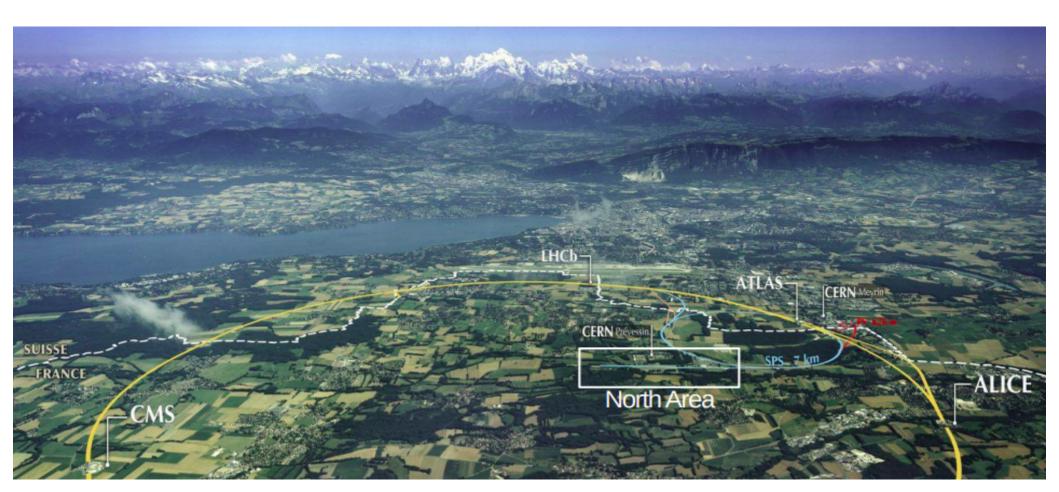
#### NA61/SHINE: Hadron Production Measurements for Neutrino Experiments

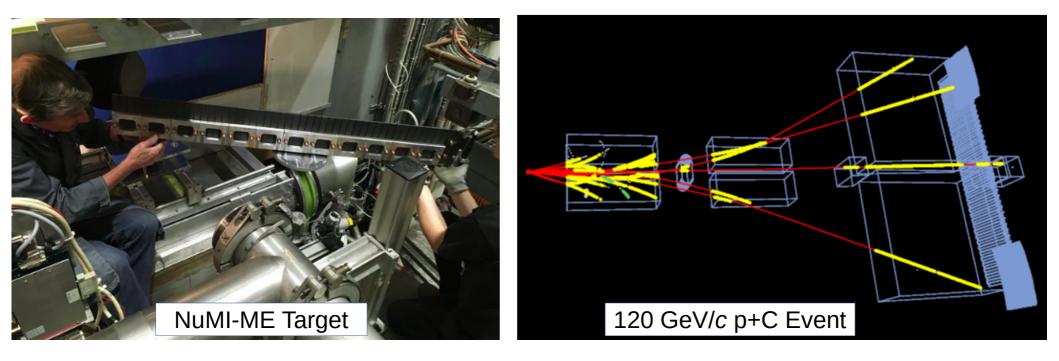
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#### Overview

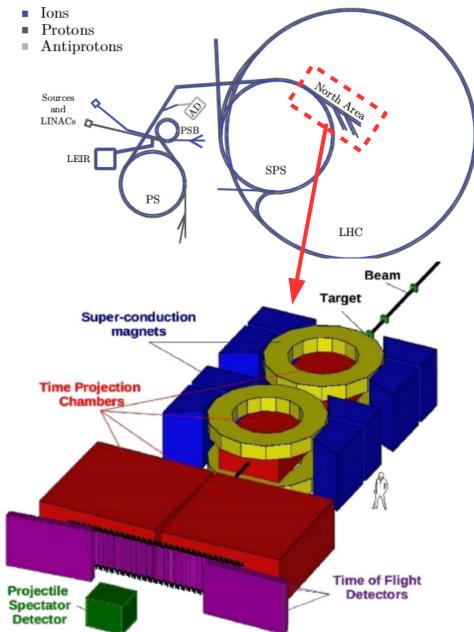
- NA61/SHINE Facility & Capabilities
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- 2022 T2K Replica Target Run
- 120 GeV/c p+C Production Multiplicities
- DUNE Replica Target Measurement Plans

# NA61 / SHINE



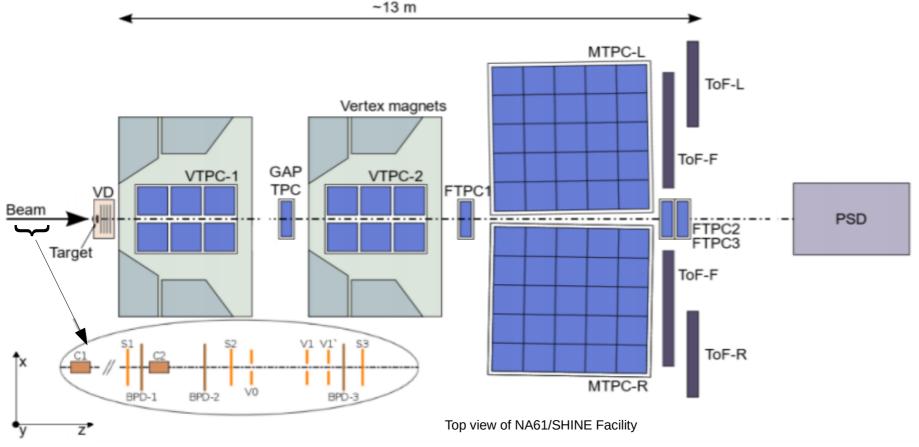
# NA61 / SHINE

- SPS Heavy Ion and Neutrino Experiment
- Multi-faceted physics program
  - Heavy ions
  - Cosmic-ray physics
  - Neutrino flux constraint measurements
- Beam options:
  - Primary 400 GeV/c protons
  - Secondary p, K<sup>+/-</sup>, π<sup>+/-</sup>, 13 350 GeV/c
- Target options:
  - Thin (~2 cm) targets, any material
  - Neutrino experiment replica targets



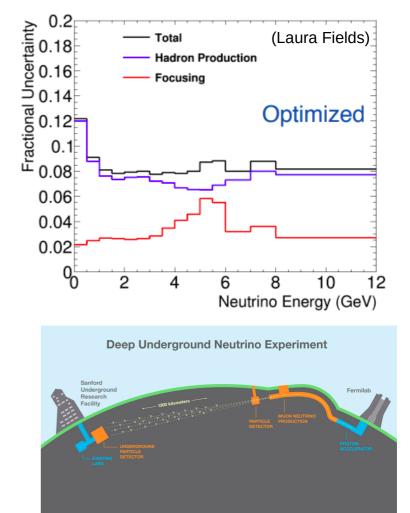
#### NA61/SHINE Detector

- 8 Time Projection Chambers (TPCs): 3D tracking, dE/dx measurement
- 2 superconducting magnets: momentum determination
- Cerenkov detectors: beam particle identification
- 3 Time-Of-Flight walls: mass determination
- 3 beam position detectors
- Projectile Spectator Detector (PSD): forward calorimeter



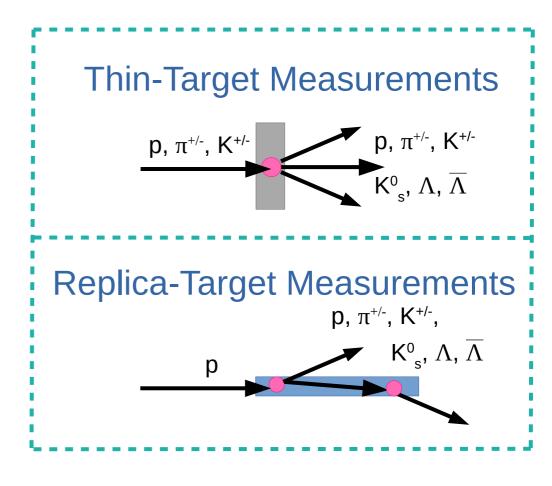
## NA61/SHINE Neutrino Program: Reducing Beam Flux Uncertainties

- Long-baseline neutrino oscillation experiments typically suffer from large uncertainties associated w/ neutrino beam flux
- Control of general systematic uncertainties at future long-baseline experiments will be crucial to achieving physics goals
- Beam flux uncertainties should be minimized & better quantified
  - Target sensitivities still achievable if other uncertainties prove to be larger than expected
  - Precise flux knowledge crucial if results are in tension with three-flavor oscillation paradigm
- Beam flux uncertainties currently 8% -12%
  - Room for improvement!



## NA61/SHINE & Hadron Production Measurements

- Charged particle identification via dE/dx
  - Produced π+/-, p / p, K+/-
- Weakly-decaying neutral particle identification via V<sup>0</sup> analysis
  - Produced  $K_{0_s}$ ,  $\Lambda$ ,  $\overline{\Lambda}$



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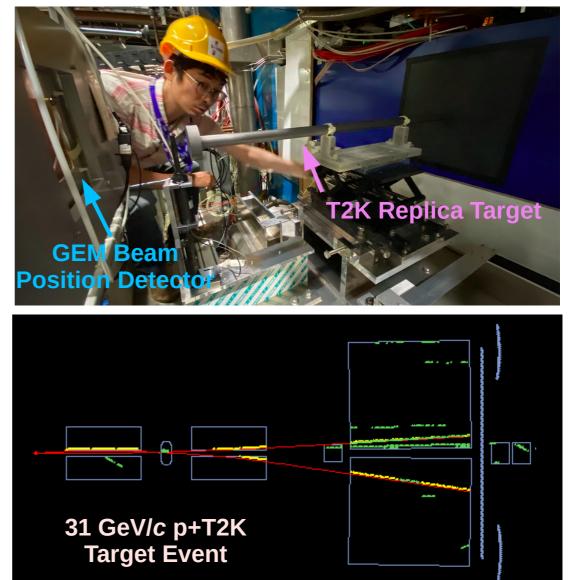
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#### 2022 p+T2K Replica Target Data Taking

- June 22 July 27 2022
- High-statistics 31 GeV/c p+T2K Target run to focus on charged kaon identification
- NA61/SHINE underwent detectorwide electronics upgrade from 2019 – 2022
- First data-taking period with new electronics



## **Collected Data**

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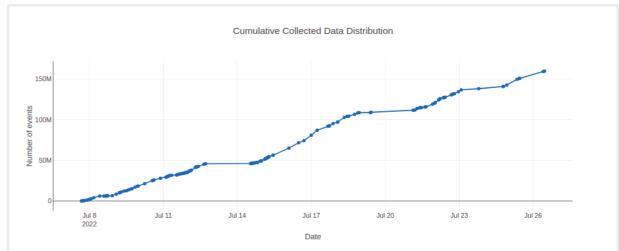
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- More than 160 million events recorded with new electronics
- New readout electronics for existing detectors
- Includes 13M events taken with 0.18 T magnetic field field for comparison with 2010 data
  - More statistics acquired in several hours than the entire 2010 run
- DAQ rate increase: 80 Hz to 1.6 kHz

-400

Reconstructed Secondary Vertex Positions



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Z [cm]

## Data Quality

- Significant increase in TPC raw data quality
  - Electronics noise reduction
  - Cluster shape improvements
- Expect significant improvement in dE/dx resolution
  - dE/dx resolution crucial to performing charged hadron multiplicity measurements
  - Recent T2K run hopes to perform precise Kaon identification and will benefit from improved dE/dx resolution





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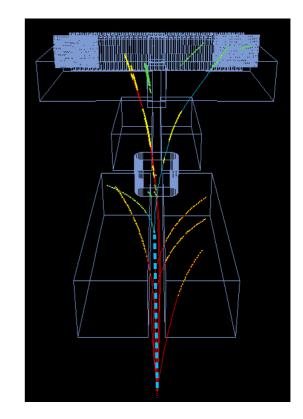
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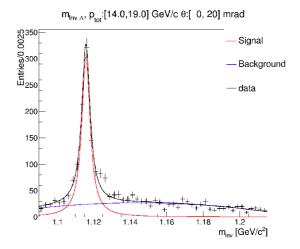
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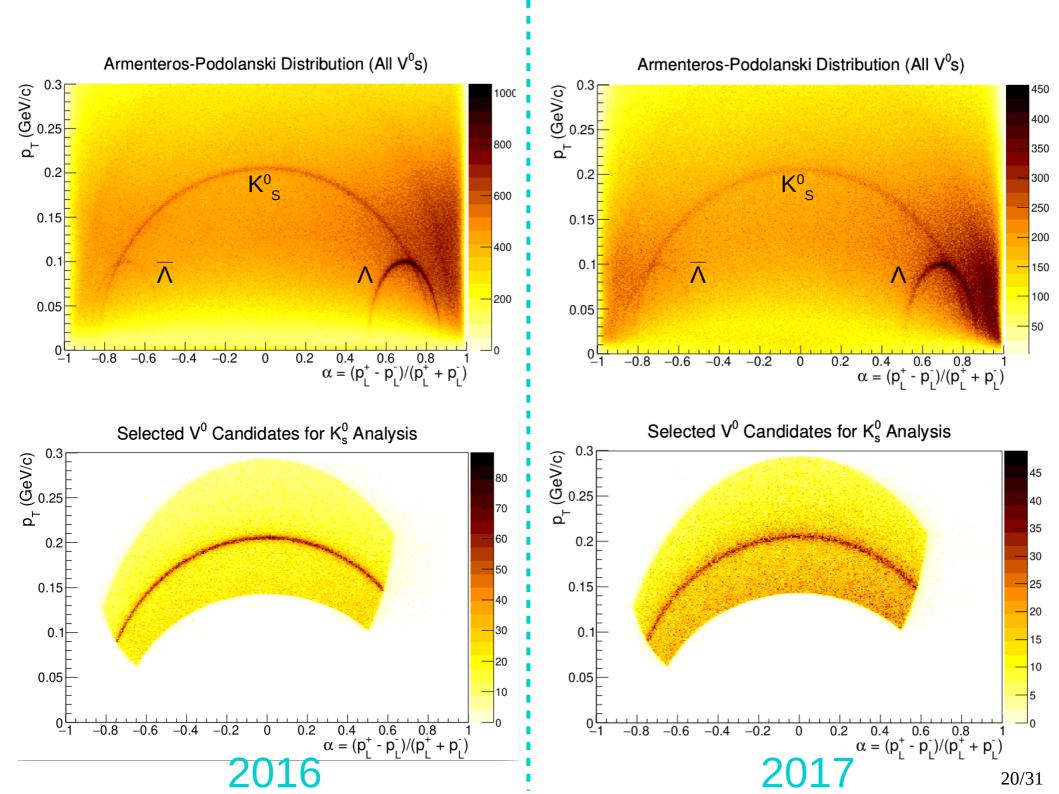
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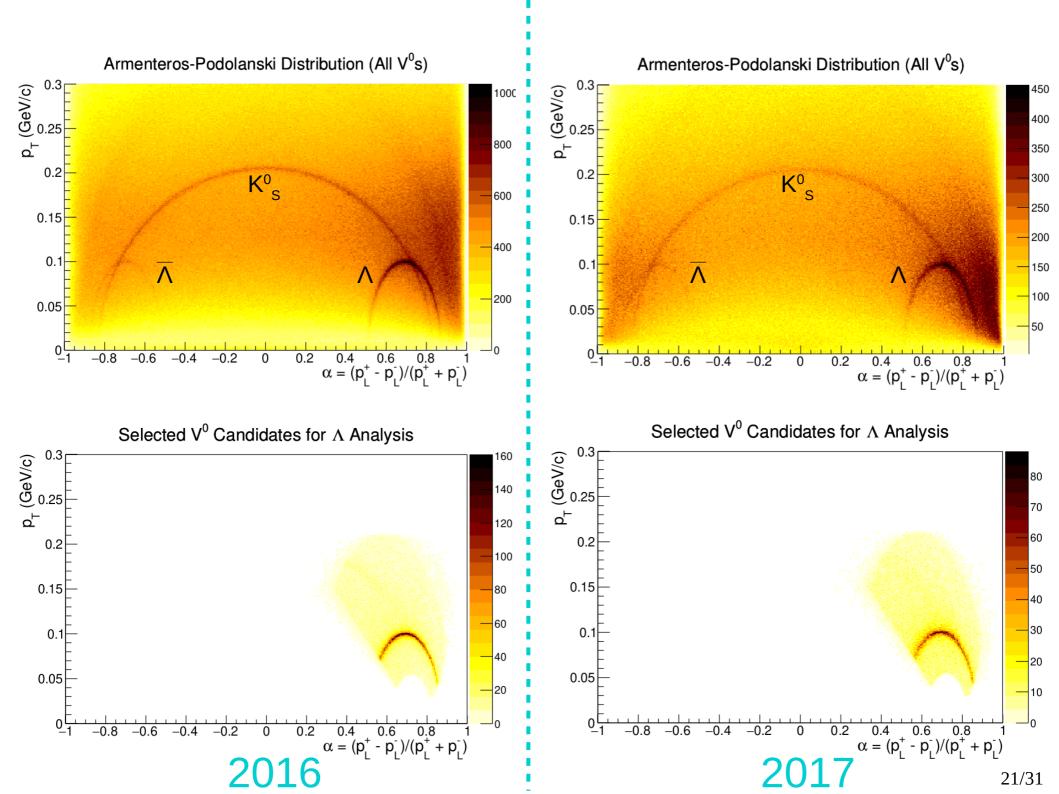
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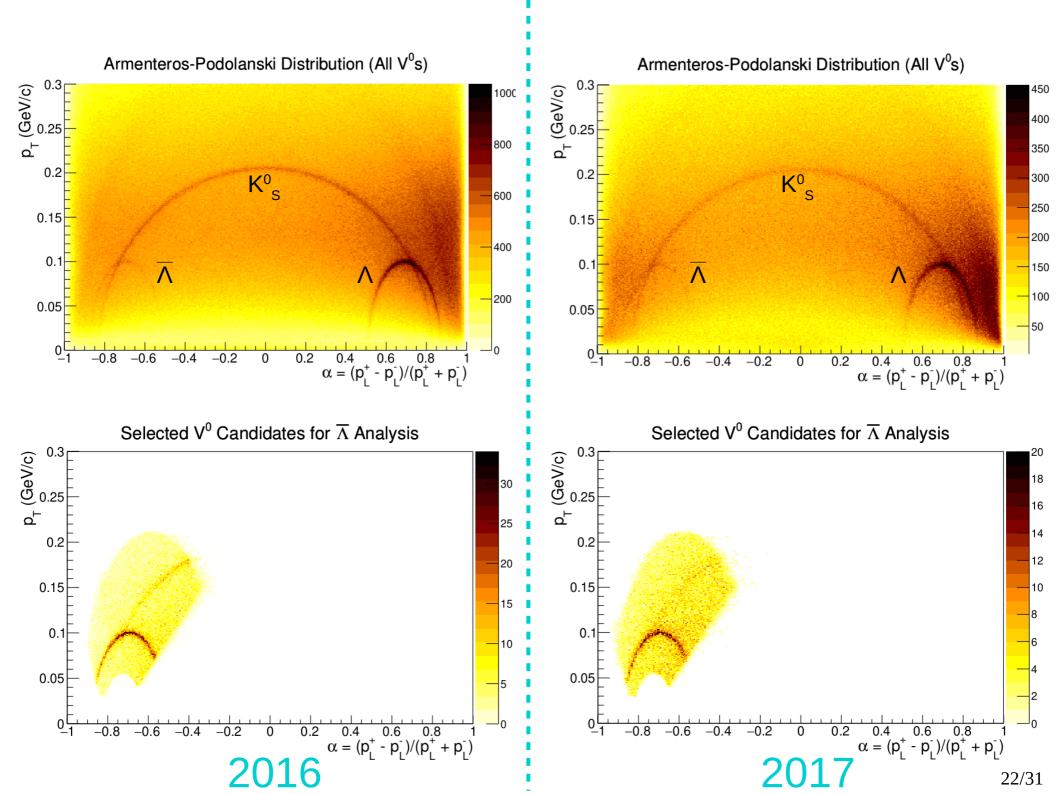
- Reconstruct collection of V<sup>0</sup> candidates using V<sup>0</sup> finder & fitter algorithms
- Calculate neutral kinematics using decay product assumption
- Improve purity of V<sup>o</sup> sample by applying selection cuts
- Fit invariant mass distributions for signal yield
- Calculate & apply bin-by-bin Monte Carlo corrections
- Calculate multiplicities
- This analysis: Two independent data sets collected
  - Different detector configurations: magnetic field, more TPCs











## $K^{0}_{s}$ Invariant Mass Fits

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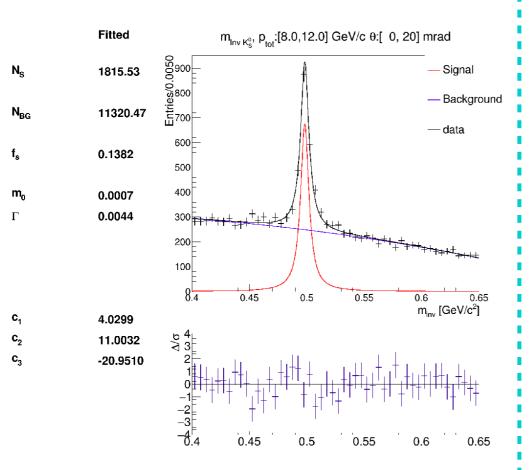
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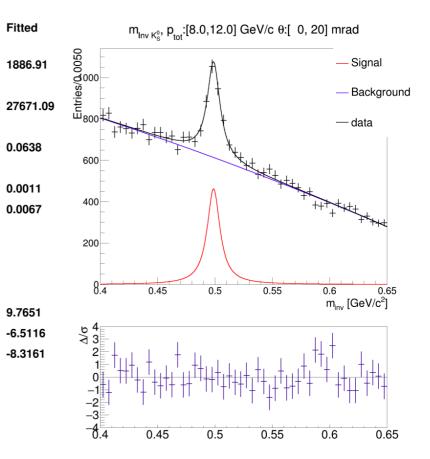
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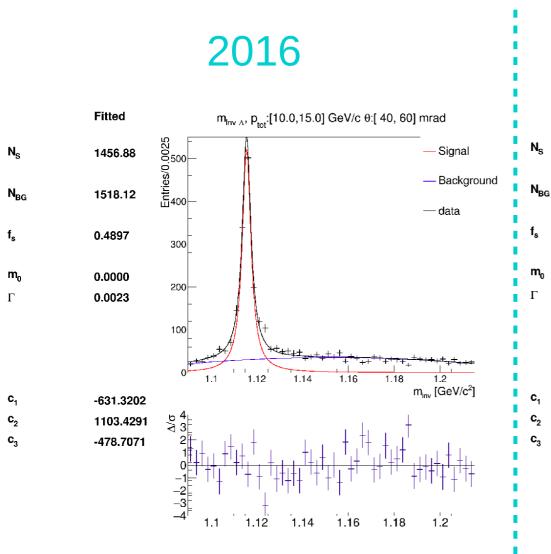
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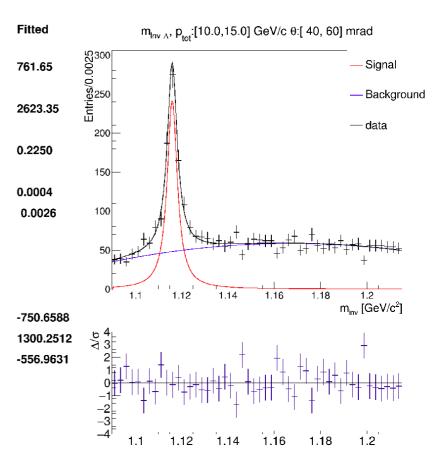
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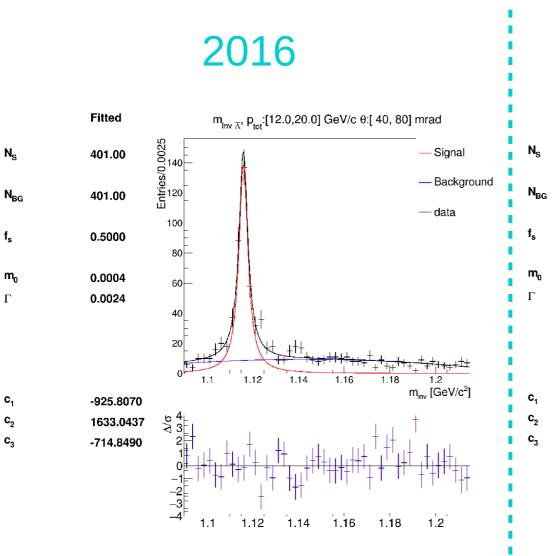
#### Λ Invariant Mass Fits



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#### **A Invariant Mass Fits**



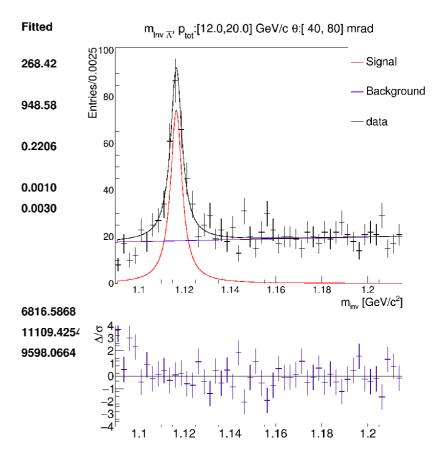
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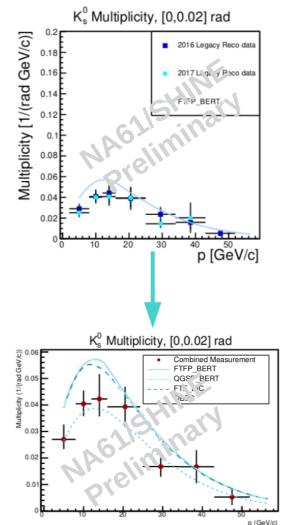
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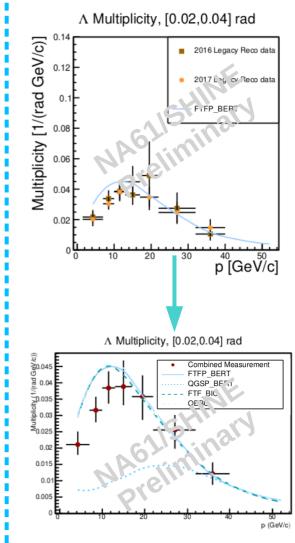
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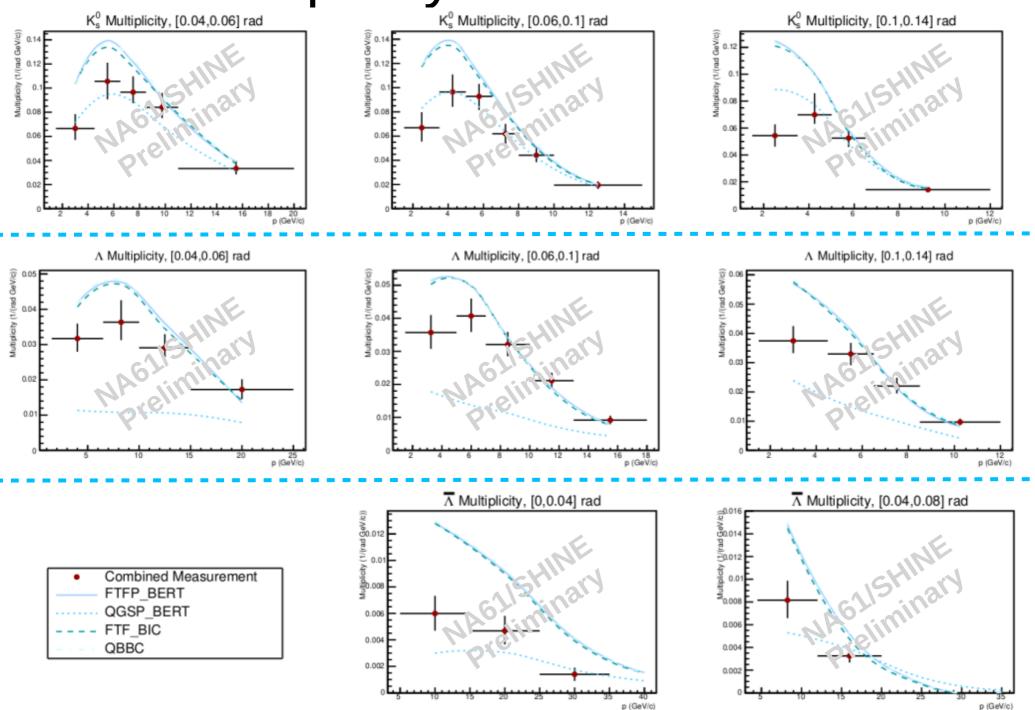
# **Combining Multiplicities**

- Two data sets provide independent measurements in overlapping regions of phase space
- Multiplicities are weighted by uncorrelated uncertainties specific to each analysis
  - Statistical uncertainty
  - Invariant mass fit uncertainty
  - Reconstruction uncertainty
  - Selection uncertainty
  - dE/dx decay product selection uncertainty





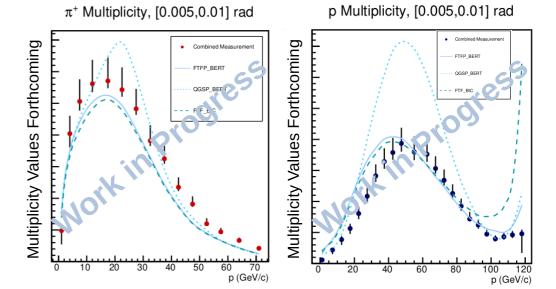
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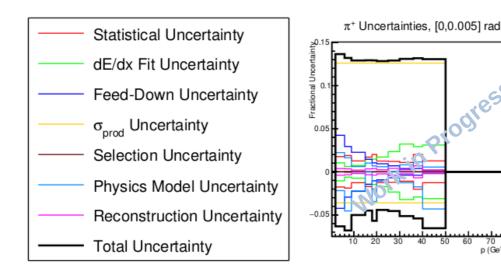


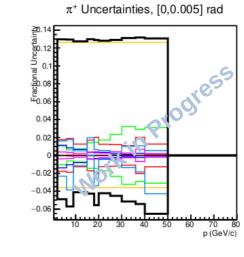
#### Coming Soon: Charged Hadron **Multiplicities**

p (GeV/c)

- Measured multiplicities: •
  - π<sup>+</sup>, π<sup>-</sup>, p, p, K<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>-</sup>
- Neutral hadron multiplicities used to • reduce uncertainties associated with weak neutral decays
- Two complementary data sets again combined for final multiplicity result
- Results will soon be used to reduce DUNE beam flux uncertainties



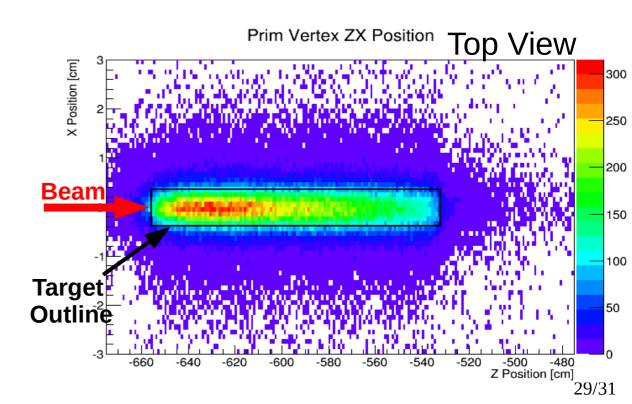




## Coming Soon: NuMI Replica Target Multiplicity Analysis

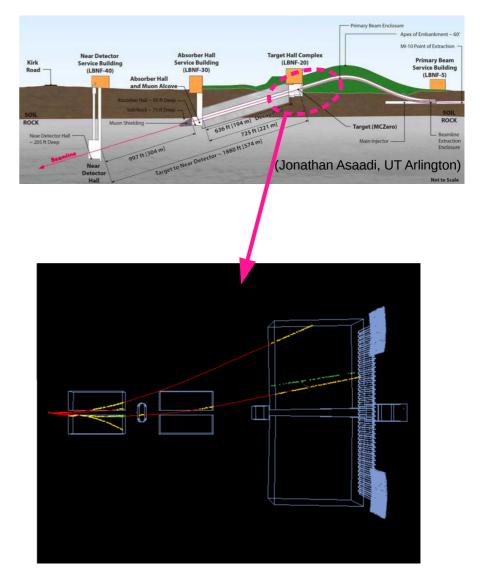
- 21 M p+NuMI Target events taken in Summer / Fall 2018
- Data in final stages of calibration
- Multiplicity analyses will begin this year
- Stay tuned!





## Future Campaign: DUNE Long Target Measurement

- DUNE replica target run at NA61/SHINE foreseen in next few years
  - Direct measurement of neutrinoproducing hadrons in primary beam-target reaction!
- This data set will also benefit from recently-upgraded DAQ and readout electronics
  - High-quality high-statistics runs expected
- Timescale depends on DUNE target design schedule



## **Takeaway Points**

- Hadron production measurements from NA61/SHINE useful for understanding neutrino beam flux
- 120 GeV/c p+C multiplicities will be published this summer
- Results will be used to reduce DUNE beam flux uncertainty
- DUNE target measurement foreseen at NA61/SHINE within next ~2 years

#### Thanks!

#### BACKUP

### Recent Publications for Neutrino Experiments

#### • Phys. Rev. D 98, 052001 (2018):

- $\pi^+$  on C, Al (31 & 60 GeV/c)
- $\pi^+$  on Be (60 GeV/c)
- K+ on C, AI (60 GeV/c)

#### • EPJC 79, Article 100 (2019):

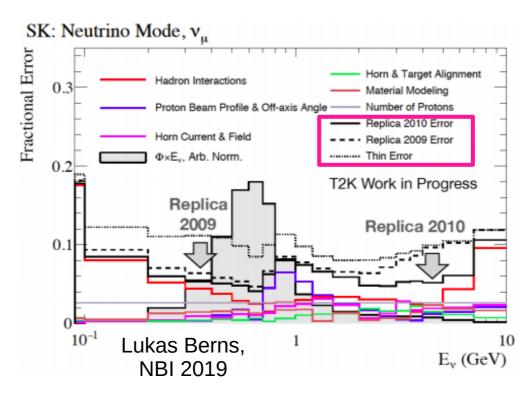
 Double differential π, p, K yields from 31 GeV/c p+T2K replica target

#### • Phys. Rev. D 100, 112001 (2019):

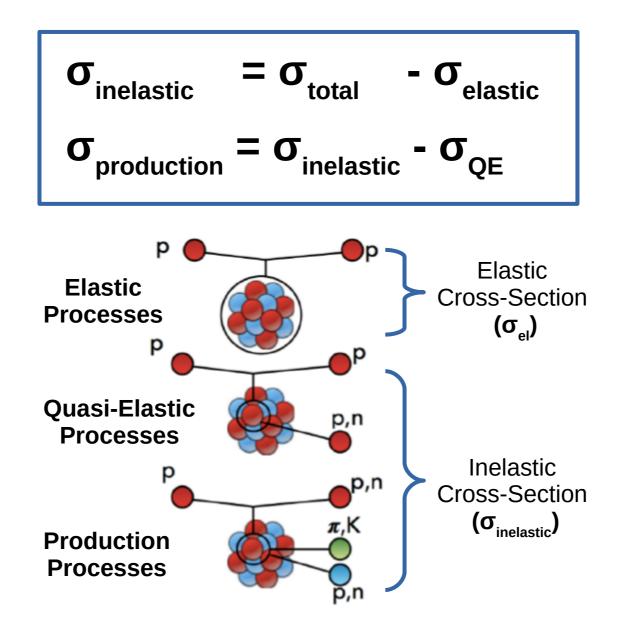
- p on C, Be (60 & 120 GeV/c)
- p on Al (60 GeV/c)

#### • Phys. Rev. D 103, 012006 (2021):

- p+T2K replica target at 31 GeV/c (with high magnetic field)
- Proton beam survival probability for measurement of production crosssection

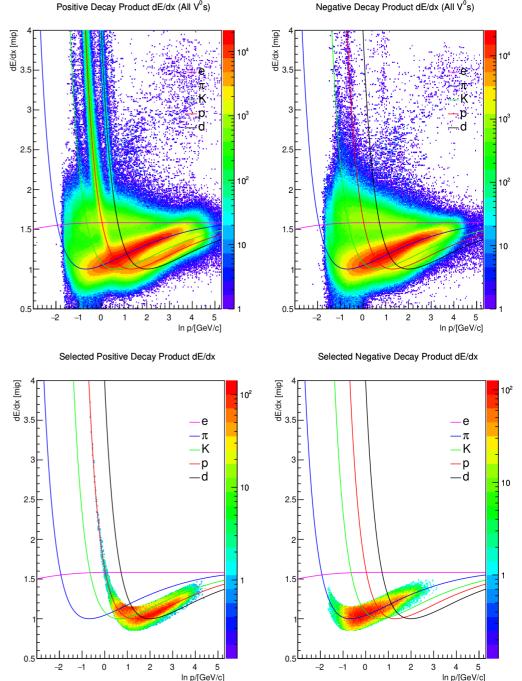


#### **Interaction Definitions**



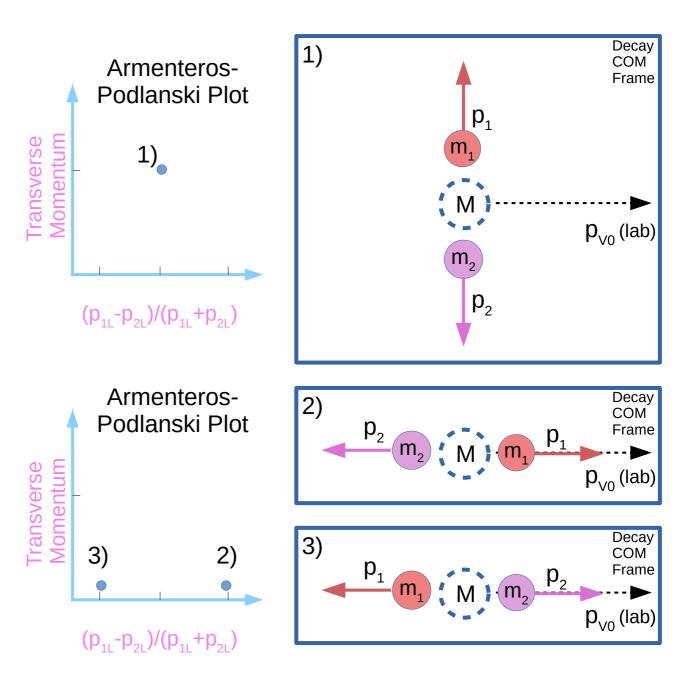
#### **Selection Cuts**

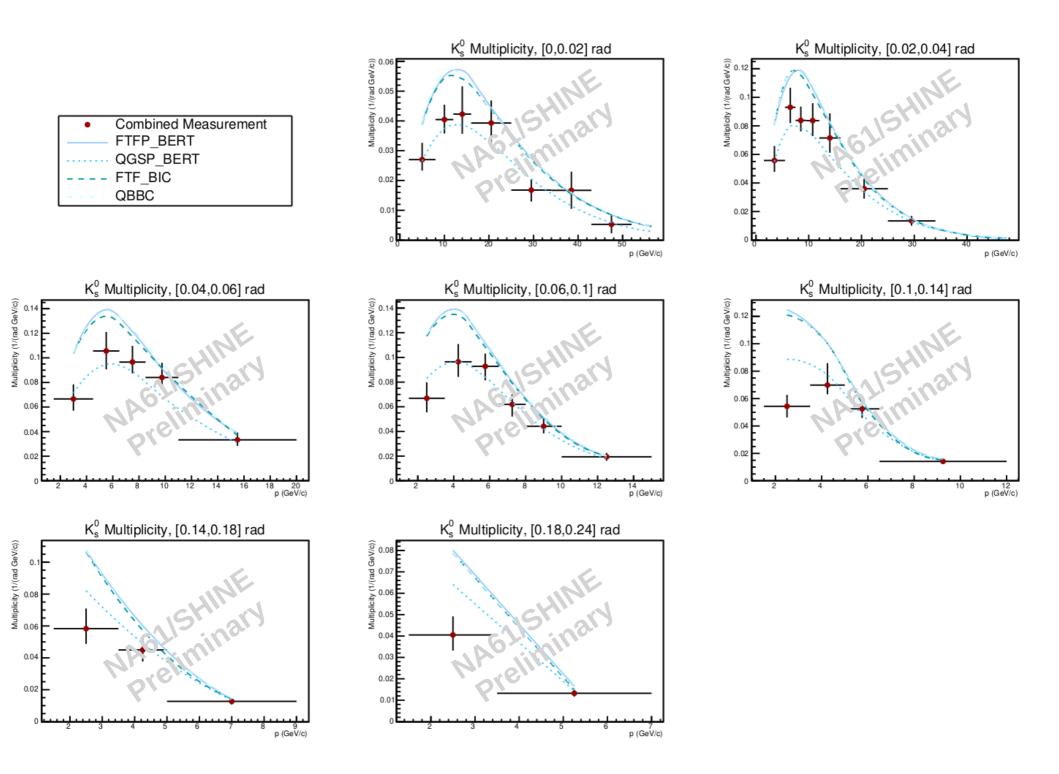
- Quality cuts
  - Sufficient number of detector measurement points
  - Reasonable impact parameter
  - Incoming beam particle trajectory well-measured
- Sample purity cuts
  - Decay product dE/dx cut (pictured right)
  - Minimum transverse momentum cut
  - Minimum & maximum decay length cut
  - Proper lifetime cut

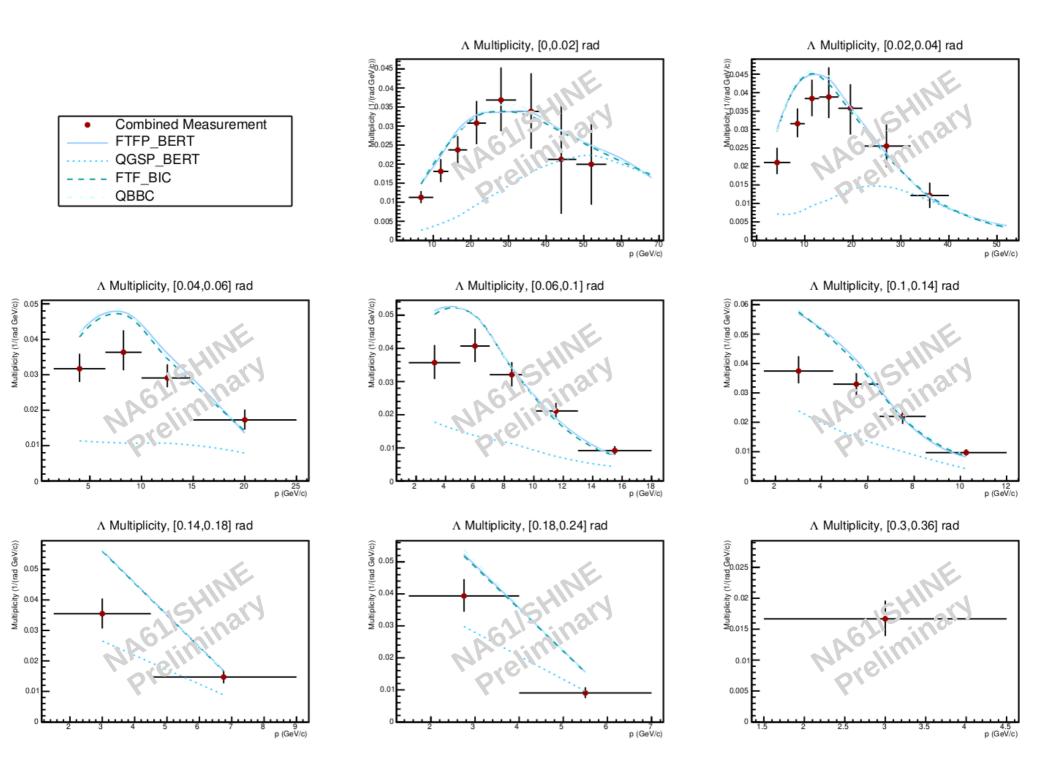


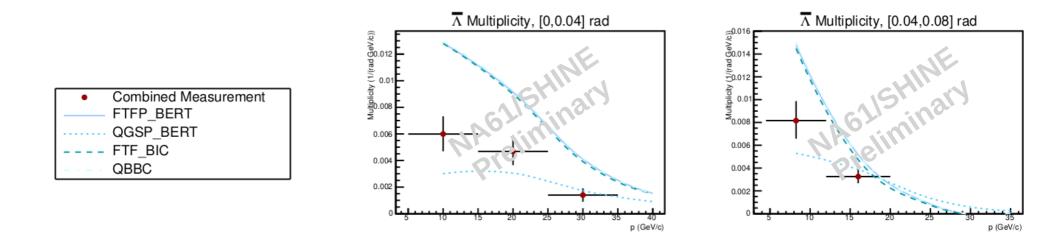
## Armenteros-Podolanski Distributions

- Nice way of visually representing two-body decay kinematics
- Demonstrates species contamination after cut application
- V<sup>0</sup> candidates represented by points in (α, p<sub>T</sub>) space
- Unstable particle species separate into arcs

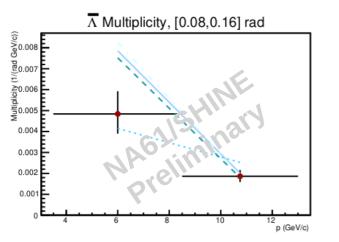






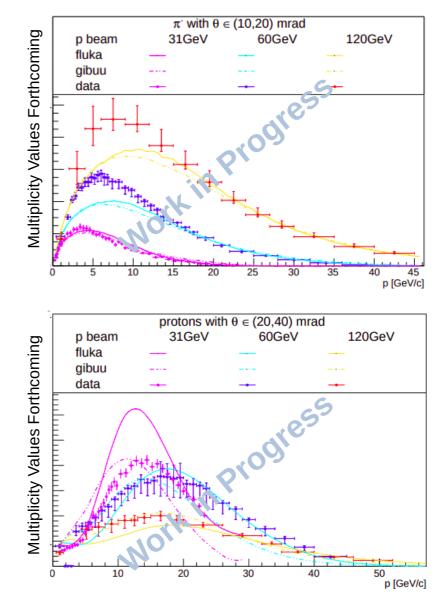


p (GeV/c)



# Coming Soon: "Evolution Plots"

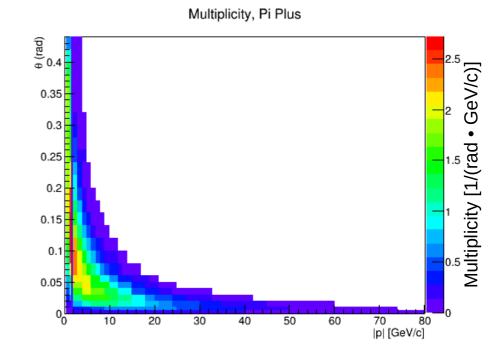
- Comparisons of identical reactions at different energies allow for testing of momentum scaling assumptions
- Forthcoming comparison: 31, 60, 120 GeV/c protons & carbon
- 90 GeV/c protons & carbon analysis in preparation

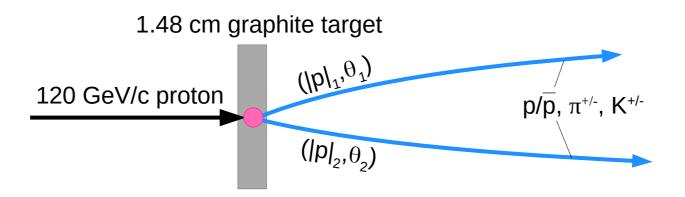


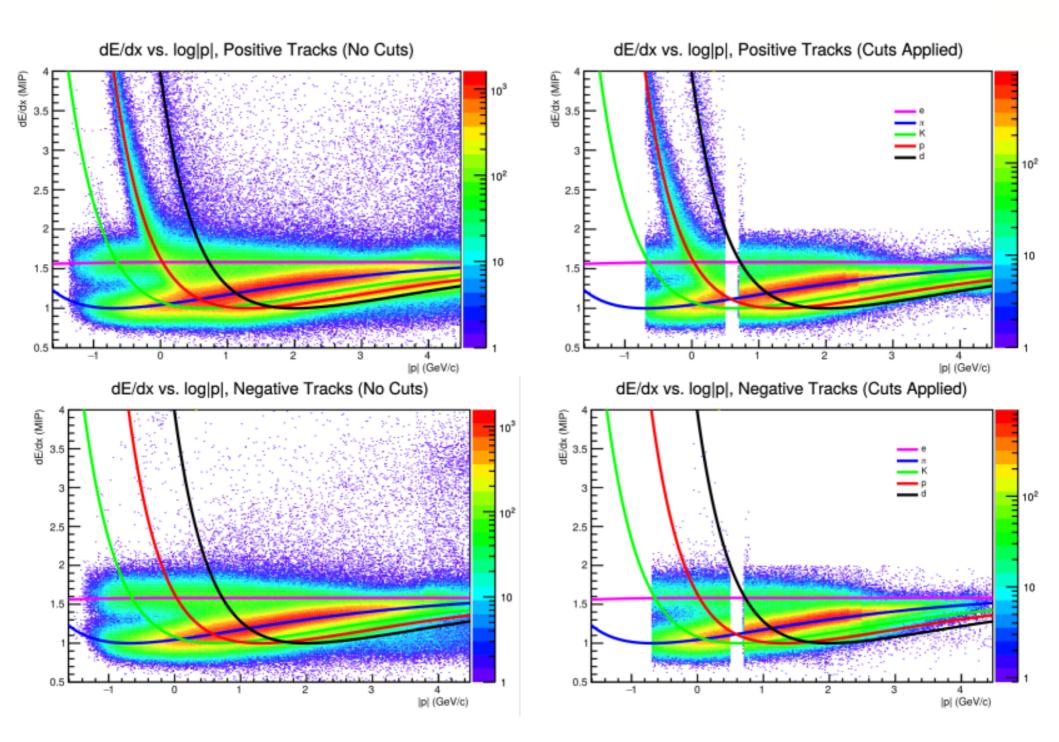
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## **Charged Hadron Analysis Details**

- Multiplicity of  $p/\overline{p}$ ,  $\pi^{+/-}$ , K<sup>+/-</sup> studied
  - Multiplicity: Number of particle X produced per production interaction
- Differential multiplicities reported as a function of total momentum |p| and polar angle θ

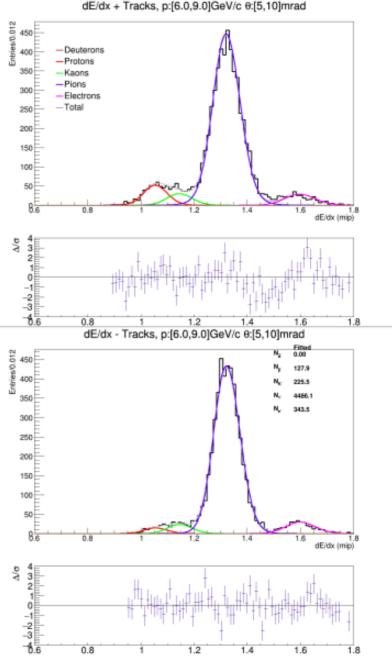


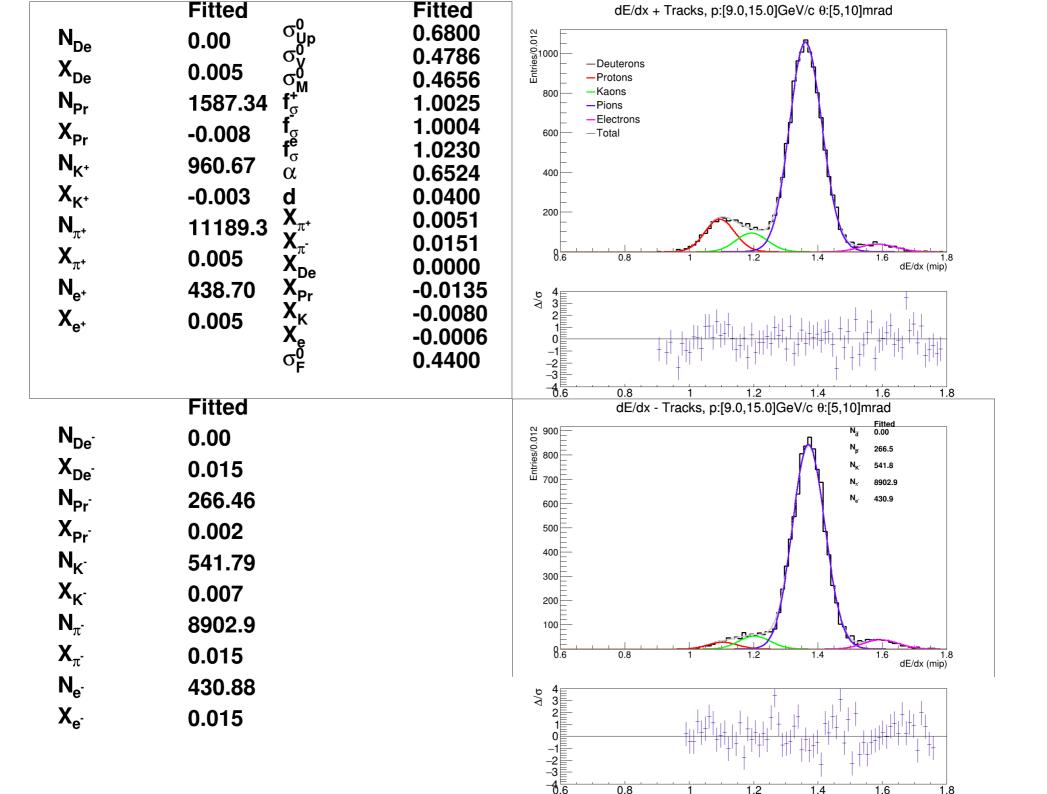


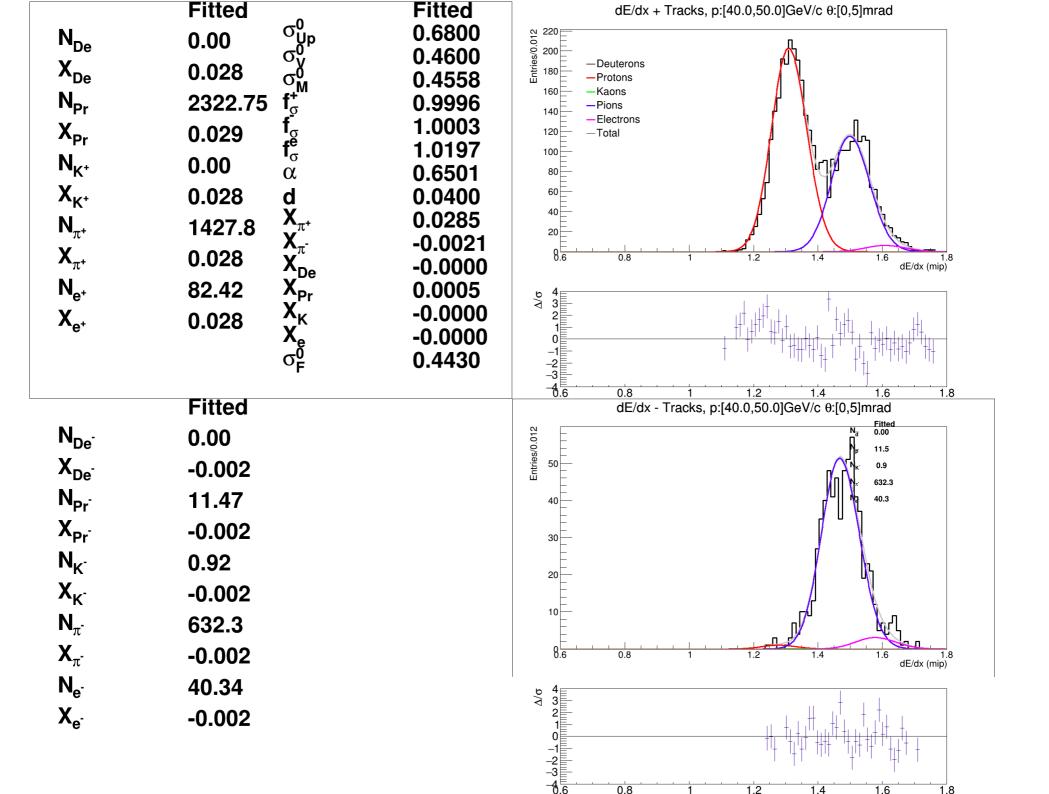


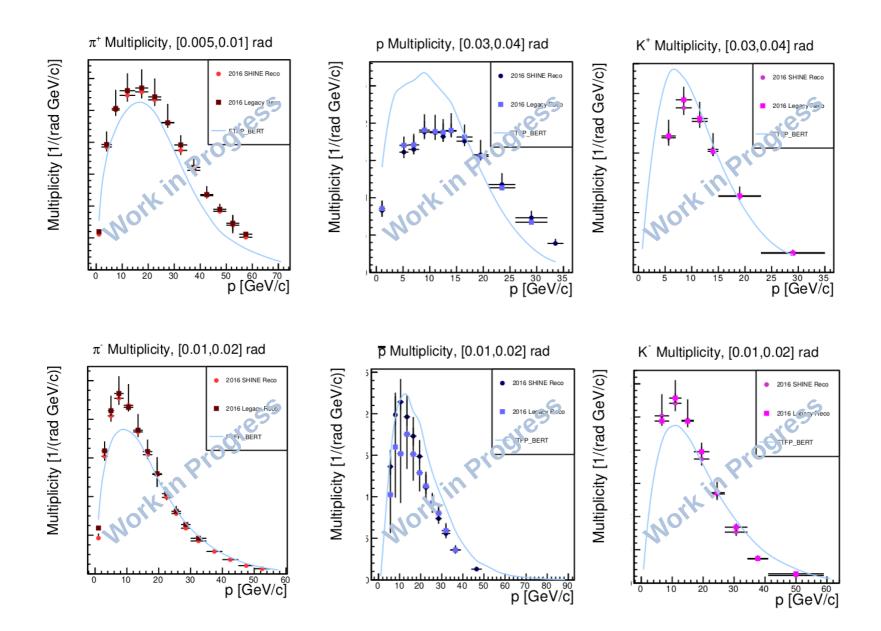
## dE/dx Fits

- In each kinematic bin, likelihood-based dE/dx fit performed to track dE/dx distribution
- Result: Fraction of e<sup>+/-</sup>, π<sup>+/-</sup>, K<sup>+/-</sup>, p/p, D<sup>+/-</sup> in each kinematic bin
  - Positive and negative tracks fit simultaneously in order to constrain calibration parameters
- Total number of each species used to calculate identified multiplicity in each bin









#### Invariant Mass Fits (Monte Carlo)

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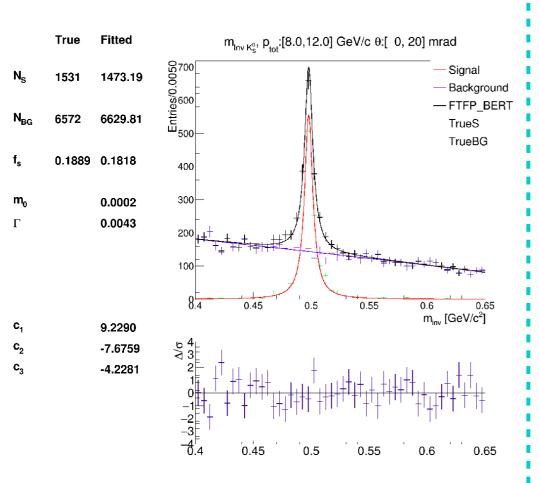
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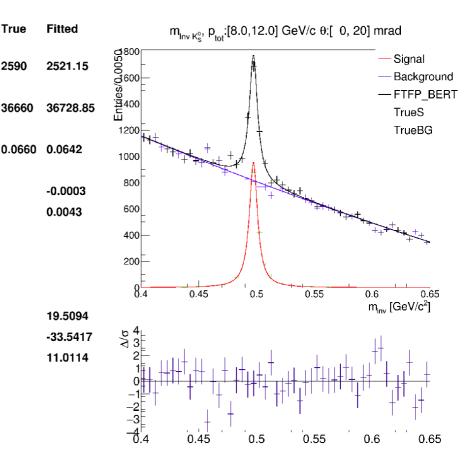
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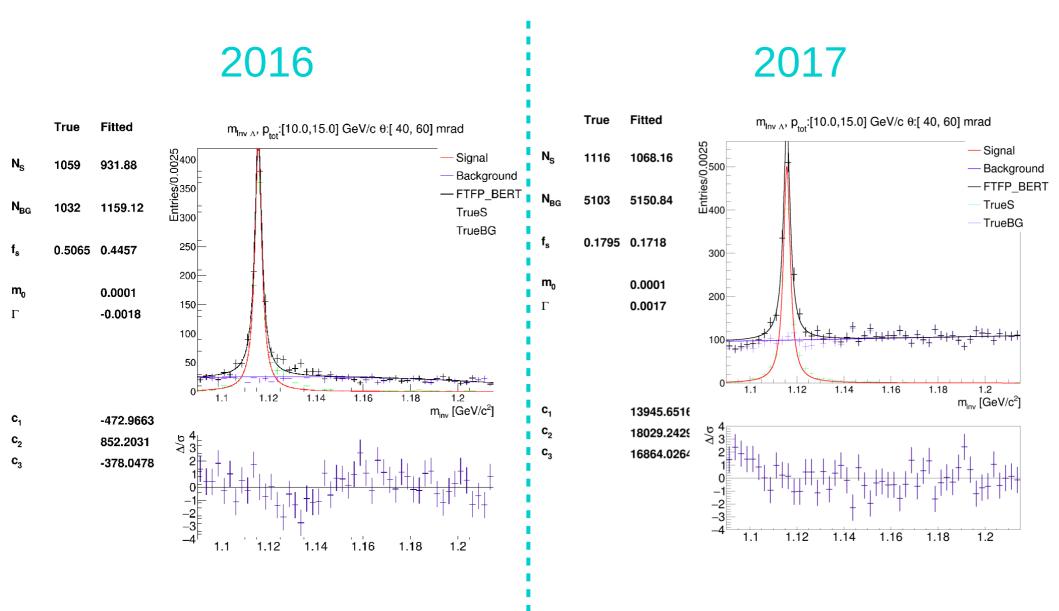
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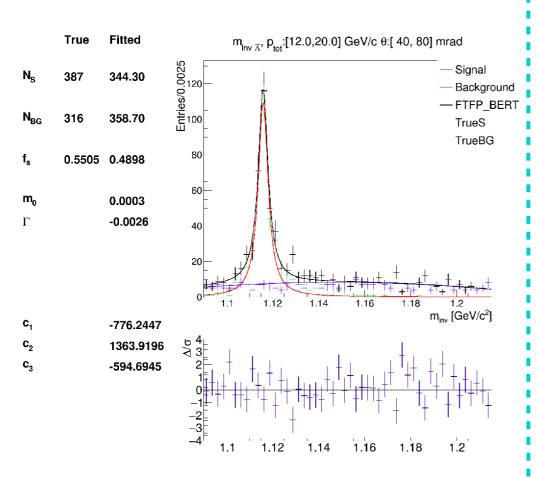
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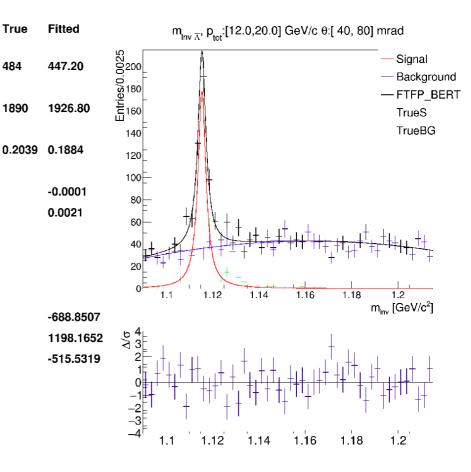
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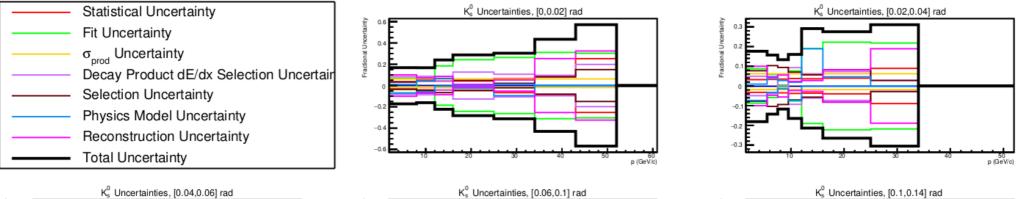
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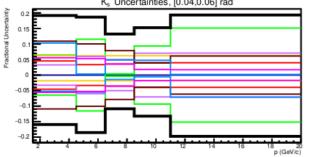
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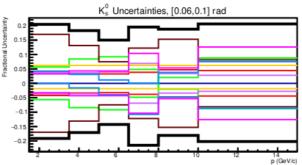


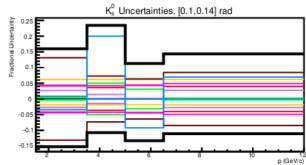
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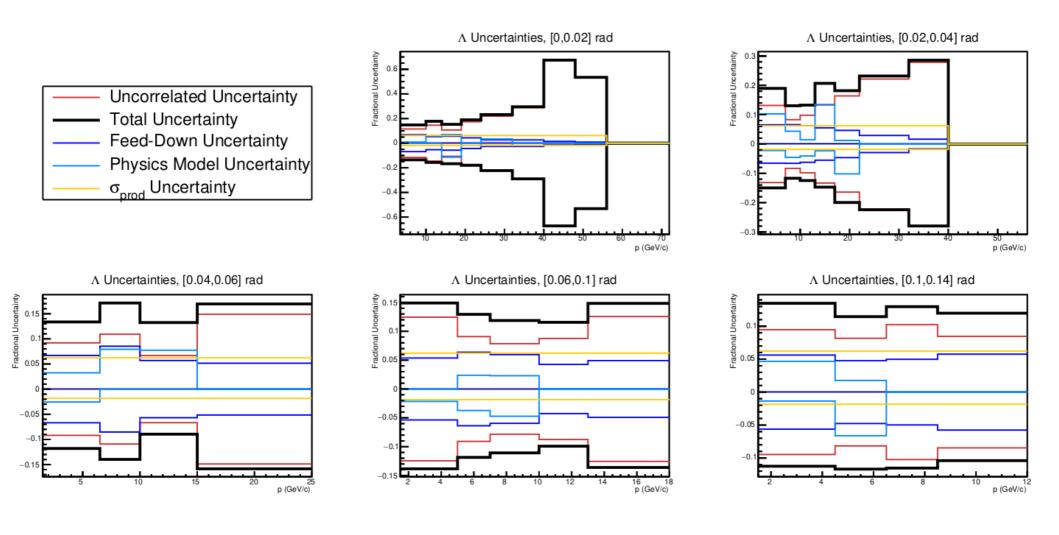


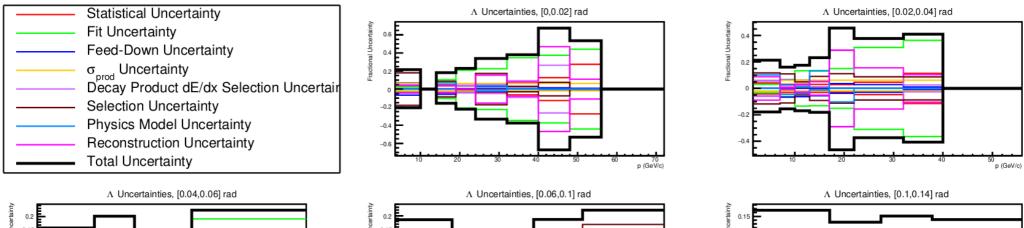


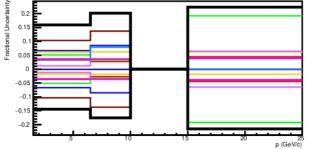


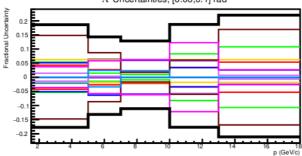


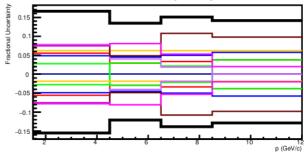


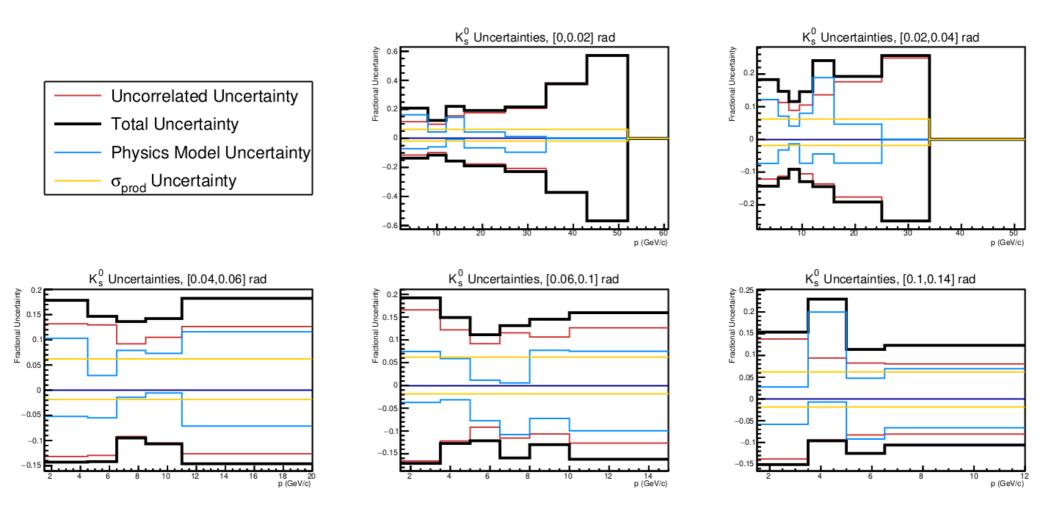


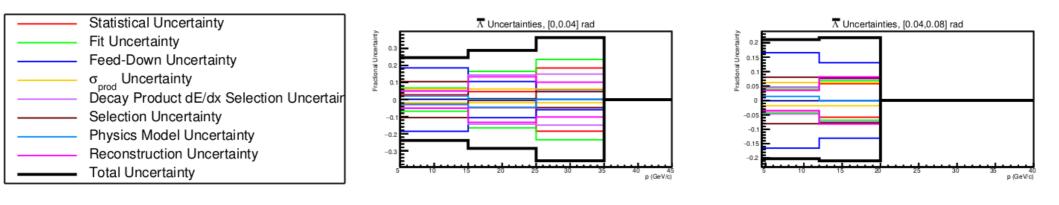


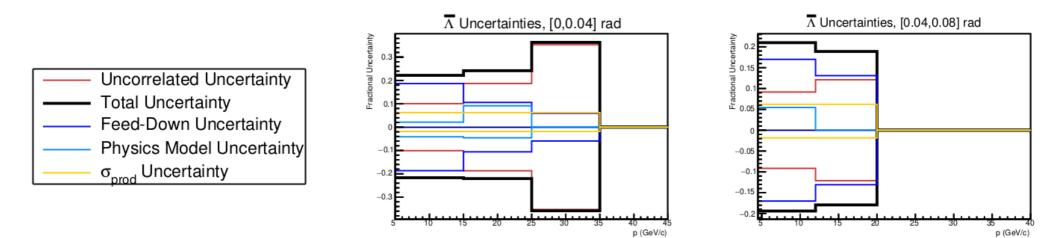












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