



**INTERNATIONAL PHD PROJECTS IN APPLIED NUCLEAR PHYSICS AND INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES**

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$\phi$  meson production in proton-proton collisions  
in the NA61/SHINE experiment  
at CERN SPS

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# Outline

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## $\phi = s\bar{s}$ meson according to PDG 2014

- Mass  $m = (1019.461 \pm 0.019)$  MeV
- Width  $\Gamma = (4.266 \pm 0.031)$  MeV
- $\mathcal{BR}(\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-) = (48.9 \pm 0.5) \%$

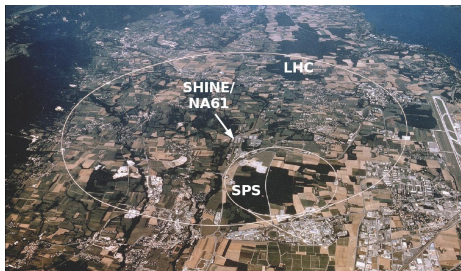
## Goal of the analysis

- Differential  $\phi$  multiplicities in p+p collisions measured in NA61/SHINE
  - from invariant mass spectra fits in  $\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$  decay channel
  - as function of rapidity  $y$  and transverse momentum  $p_T$

## Motivation

- To constrain hadron production models
  - $\phi$  interesting due to its hidden strangeness ( $s\bar{s}$ )
- Reference data for Pb+Pb at the same energies

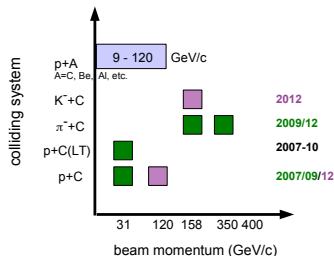
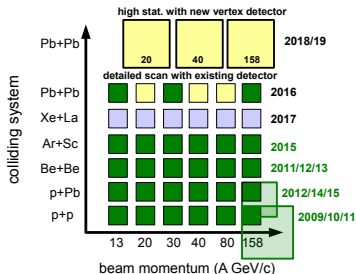
# NA61/SHINE experiment



## General info

- Fixed target experiment in the North (experimental) Area of CERN SPS
- Successor of NA49
- Beams
  - hadrons (secondary)
  - ions (secondary and primary)
- ~150 physicists → IFJ PAN group (6 people) since June 2016
- Physics active since 2009

## SHINE = SPS Heavy Ion and Neutrino Experiment



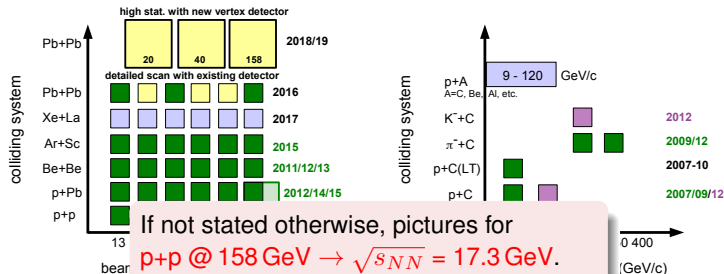
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- spectra, correlations, fluctuations
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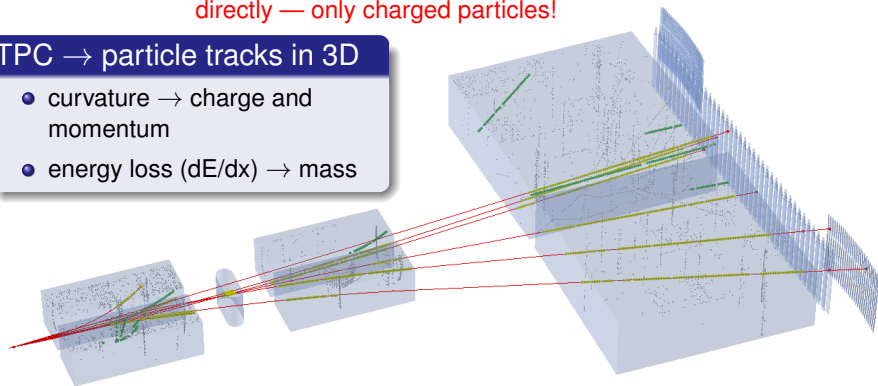
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# NA61/SHINE detector

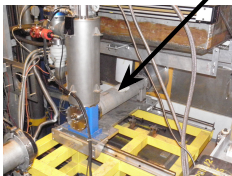
directly — only charged particles!

TPC → particle tracks in 3D

- curvature → charge and momentum
- energy loss ( $dE/dx$ ) → mass



liquid H<sub>2</sub> target



## Performance

- total acceptance  $\sim 80\%$
- momentum resolution  $\sigma(p)/p^2 \sim 10^{-4} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$
- track reconstruction efficiency  $> 95\%$

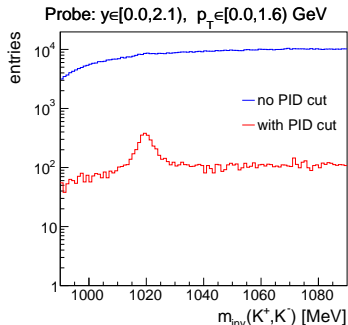
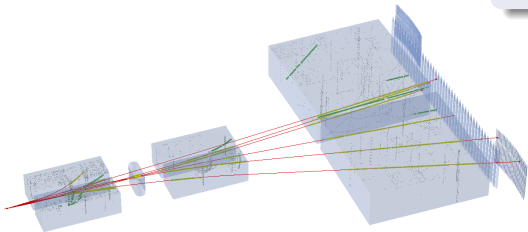
# Data selection

## Events

- inelastic
- in the target
- with well measured main vertex

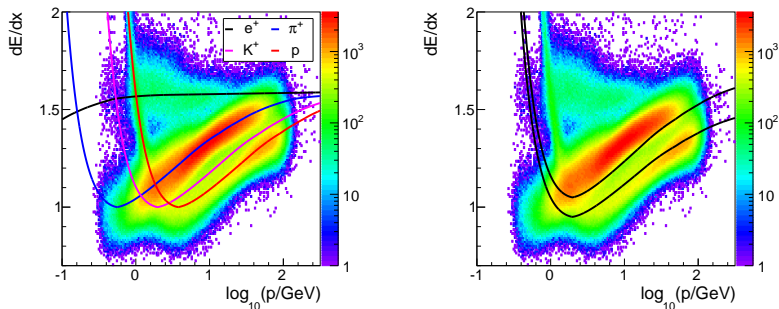
## TPC tracks

- from main vertex
- well reconstructed
- number of points in TPCs  $\rightarrow$  accurate  $dE/dx$  and momentum
- with  $dE/dx$  corresponding to kaons (PID cut)





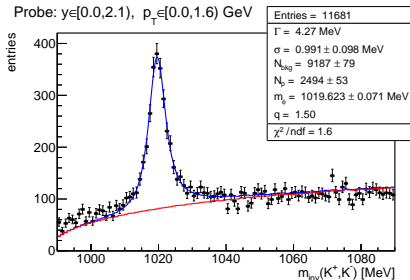
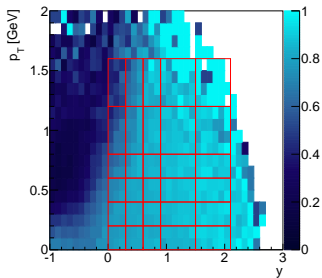
# Kaon candidate selection — PID cut



- Selection done with  $dE/dx$
- Accept tracks in  $\pm 5\%$  band around kaon Bethe-Bloch curve (area between black curves in right picture)
- Losses due to efficiency of this selection corrected with tag-and-probe method

# Signal extraction

phase space binning, invariant mass spectrum



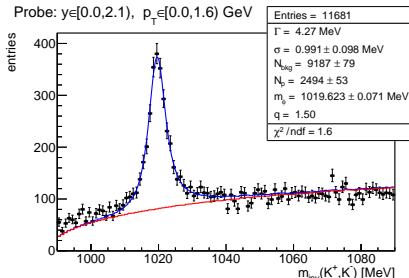
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## Signal

Convolution of:

- relativistic Breit-Wigner  $f_{\text{relBW}}(m_{\text{inv}}; m_{\phi}, \Gamma)$  resonance shape
- q-Gaussian  $f_{\text{qG}}(m_{\text{inv}}; \sigma, q)$  broadening due to detector resolution



## Background

Obtained with the event mixing method:

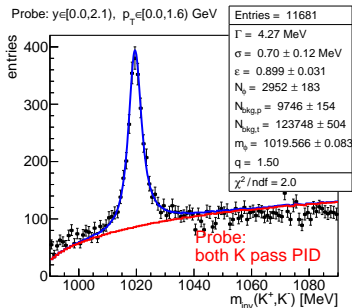
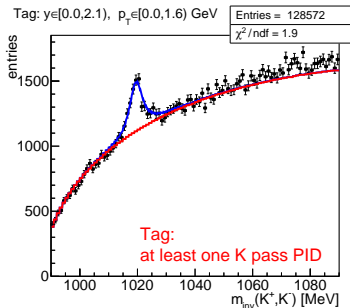
- Kaon candidate taken from the current event is combined with candidates from previous 500 events to create  $\phi$  candidates in the **mixed events spectrum**

## Fitting function

$$f(m_{\text{inv}}) = N_p \cdot (f_{\text{relBW}} * f_{\text{qG}})(m_{\text{inv}}; m_{\phi}, \Gamma, \sigma, q) + N_{\text{bkg}} \cdot B(m_{\text{inv}})$$

# Signal extraction

tag-and-probe method  $\rightarrow$  ATLAS, LHCb



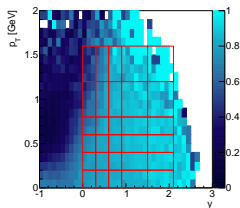
- Goal: to remove bias of  $N_\phi$  due to PID cut efficiency  $\varepsilon$
- Simultaneous fit of 2 spectra:
  - tag — at least one track in the pair passes PID cut

$$N_t = N_\phi \varepsilon (2 - \varepsilon)$$

- probe — both tracks pass PID cut

$$N_p = N_\phi \varepsilon^2$$

# Normalization and corrections



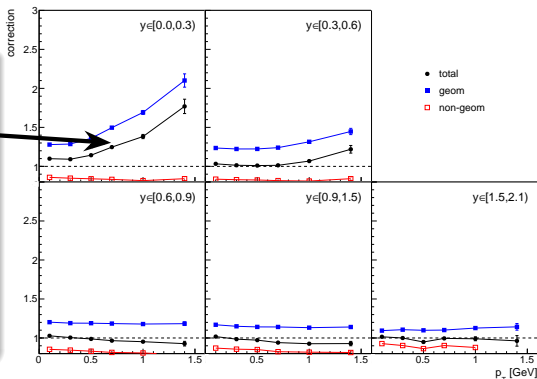
$$\frac{d^2n}{dp_T dy} = \frac{N_\phi}{N_{ev} \Delta p_T \Delta y} \times \frac{c_\infty \cdot c_{bkg} \cdot c_{MC}}{\mathcal{BR}(\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-)}$$

- $c_\infty \sim 1.06$  — extrapolation of the resonance curve
- $c_{bkg} = 1.05$  — unaccounted-for effects in the background description by event mixing

## Monte Carlo correction

$$c_{MC} = \frac{N_\phi^{gen}}{N_{ev}^{gen}} / \frac{N_\phi^{sel}}{N_{ev}^{sel}}$$

- registration efficiency
- trigger bias
- losses due to vertex cuts
- reconstruction efficiency



# Uncertainties

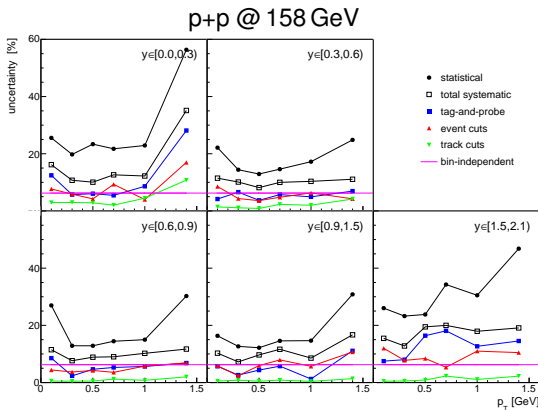
## Statistical

MINUIT/HESSE (symmetric)

## Systematic bin-independent

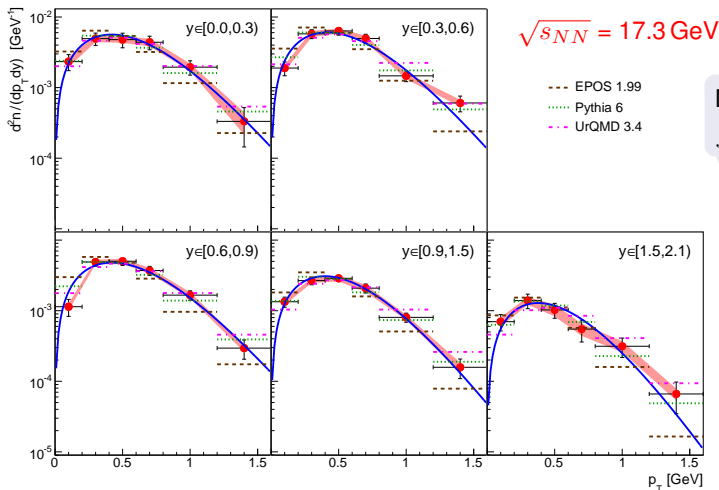
Source value [%]

$BR(\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-)$	1
fitting constraints	2
resonance theory	3
background	5
Total (quadratic)	6



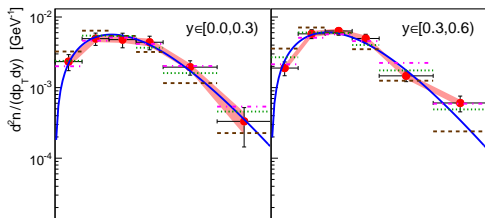
- Total systematic uncertainty =  $\sqrt{\sum \sigma_i^2}$
- For p+p @ 40 GeV additional bin-independent 3% due to  $c_{MC}$  averaging
- Statistical uncertainty dominates

# Double differential spectra: p+p @ 158 GeV



- Pythia describes spectra shapes best, UrQMD slightly too long tail, EPOS clearly too short tail
- Fit  $p_T e^{-m_T/T} \rightarrow$  extrapolation to  $p_T = \infty \rightarrow$  tail  $< 1\%$

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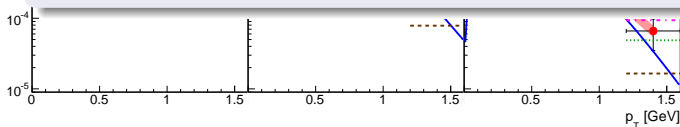


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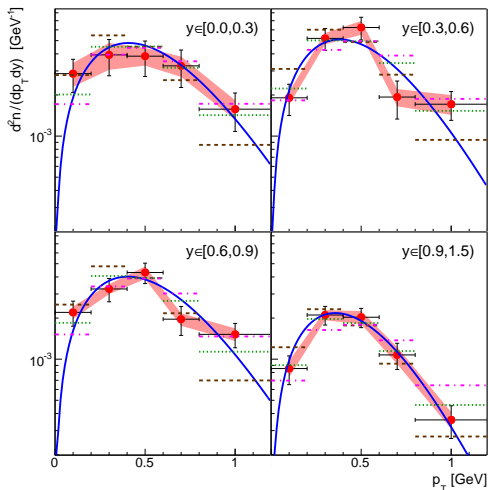
- First 2D ( $y$  vs  $p_T$ )  $\phi$  production measurements for p+p @ 158 GeV
- +1 bin in  $y$ , +1 bin in  $p_T$  compared to  $2 \times 1\text{D}$  NA49



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# Double differential spectra: p+p @ 80 GeV



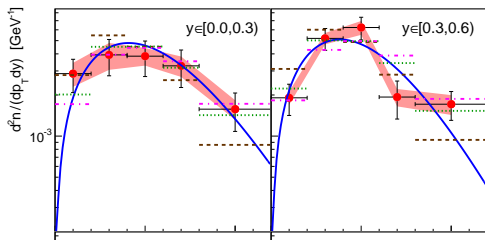
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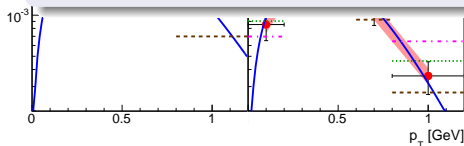


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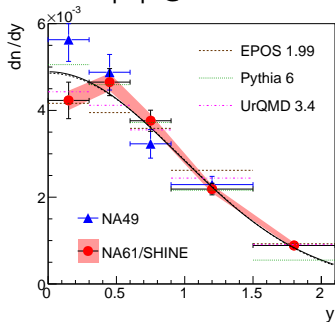
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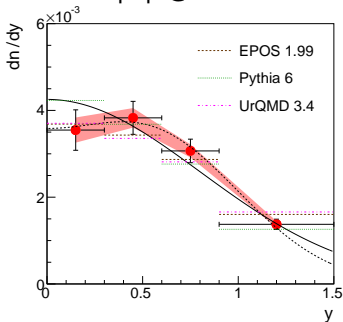
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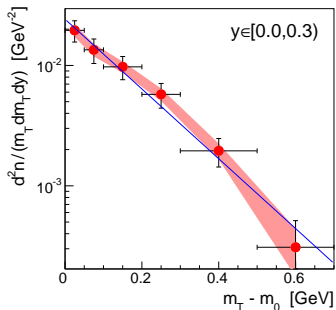
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- EPOS and UrQMD shape comparable to data, Pythia slightly narrower
- Fit Gaussian  $e^{-y^2/2\sigma_y^2} \rightarrow$  extrapolation to  $y = \infty \rightarrow$  tails: 3% for 158 GeV, 7% for 80 GeV
- NA61/SHINE consistent with NA49

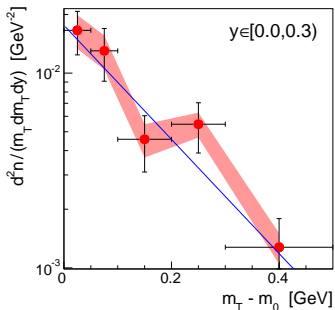
# Transverse mass spectra at midrapidity

p+p @ 158 GeV



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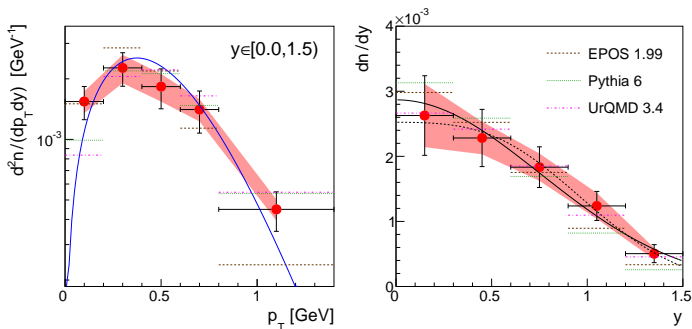


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## Thermal fit results

$p_{\text{beam}}$ [GeV]	$T_{\phi}$ [MeV]	$T_{\pi^-}$ [MeV]
158	$150 \pm 14 \pm 8$	$159.3 \pm 1.3 \pm 2.6$
80	$148 \pm 30 \pm 17$	$159.9 \pm 1.5 \pm 4.1$

# Single differential spectra: p+p @ 40 GeV



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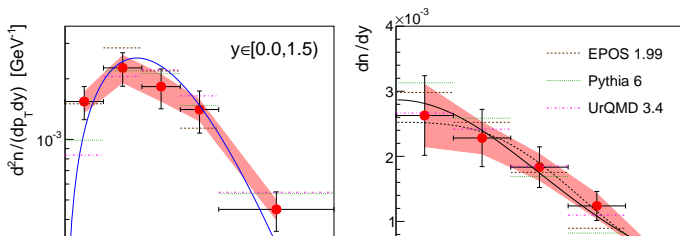
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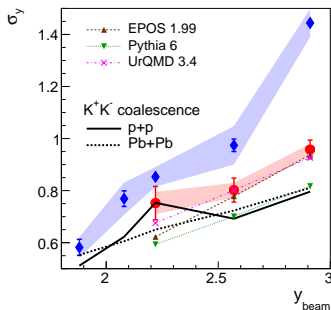
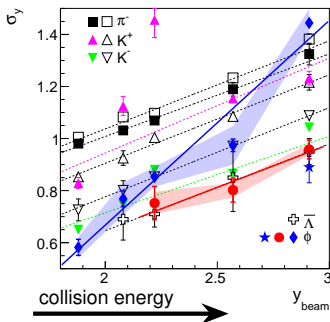
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# Reference data for Pb+Pb: $\sigma_y =$ width of $dn/dy$



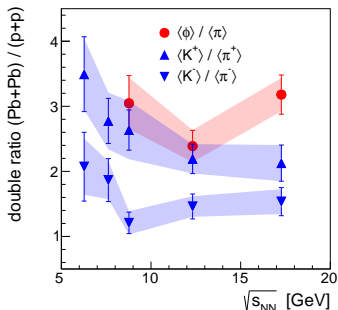
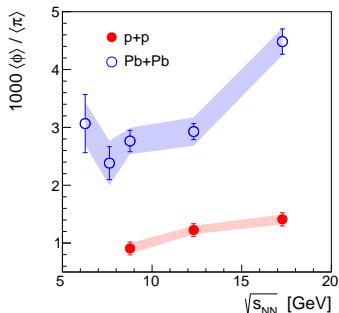
## Comparison of particles / reactions

- All but  $\phi$  in Pb+Pb:  
 $\sigma_y$  proportional to  $y_{\text{beam}}$  with the same rate of increase
- two new  $\phi$  points in p+p emphasize peculiarity of  $\phi$  in Pb+Pb

## Coalescence

- For p+p only 40 GeV compatible with production through  $K^+ K^-$  coalescence

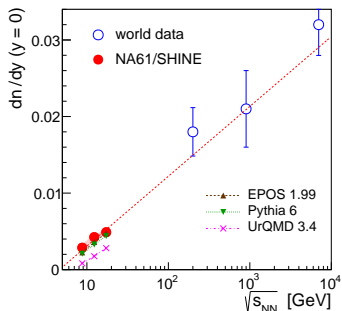
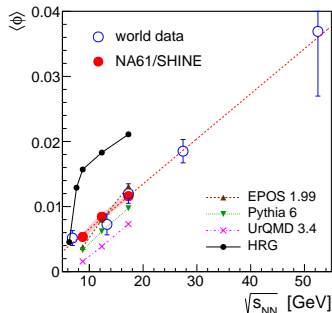
# Reference data for Pb+Pb: total yield



- $\phi/\pi$  ratio increases with collision energy
- Production enhancement in Pb+Pb about  $3\times$ , independent of energy
- Enhancement systematically larger than for kaons, comparable to  $K^+$ 
  - for  $K^-$  consistent with strangeness enhancement in parton phase (square of  $K^-$  enhancement)



# Comparison with world data and models



## p+p world data

- Results consistent with world data, much more accurate

## Models

- EPOS close to data, Pythia underestimates experimental data, UrQMD underestimates  $\sim 2\times$ , HRG (thermal) overestimates  $\sim 2\times$
- EPOS rises too fast with  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$

## Results

- Differential multiplicities of  $\phi$  mesons in p+p:  
158 GeV first 2D ( $y$  and  $p_T$ ), more accurate than  $2 \times 1D$  ( $y$  or  $p_T$ ) NA49  
80 GeV 2D, first at this energy  
40 GeV  $2 \times 1D$ , first at this energy

## Comparison with experimental data

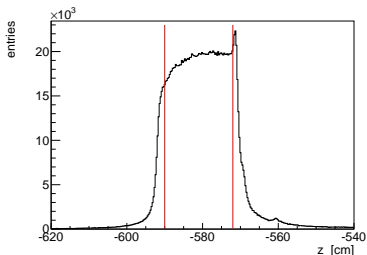
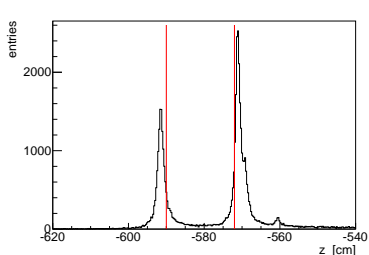
- Results consistent with p+p world data, but much more accurate!
- Emphasize peculiarity of longitudinal expansion ( $\sigma_y$ ) in Pb+Pb
- Confirm enhancement in Pb+Pb, independent of energy in considered range, similar to kaons

## Comparison with models

- Each describes well either  $p_T$  or  $y$  shape, but not both
- None is able to describe total yields

# BACKUP

# Vertex $z$ cut choice



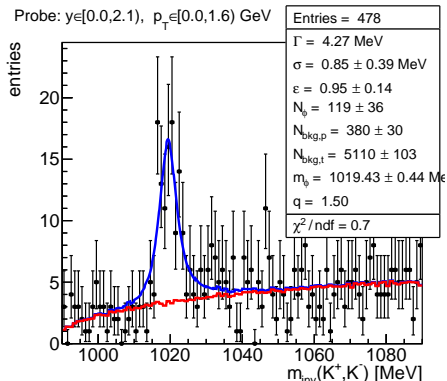
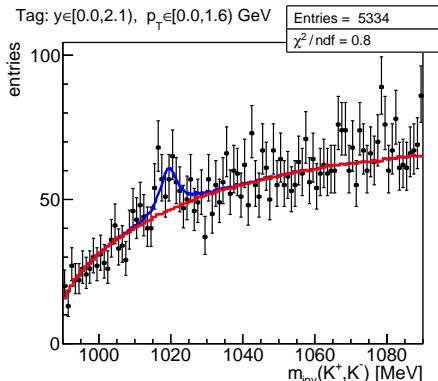
## loose vertex $z$ cut

- Accepts windows of LHT.
- Small  $c_{MC}$   $\rightarrow$  no in-target events removed due to vertex  $z$  resolution.
- **Requires EMPTY target subtraction to remove background from windows.**

## tight vertex $z$ cut

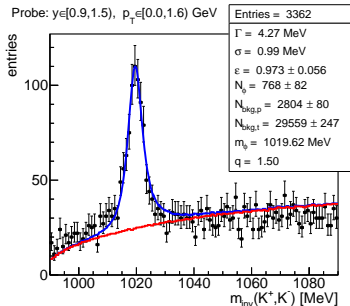
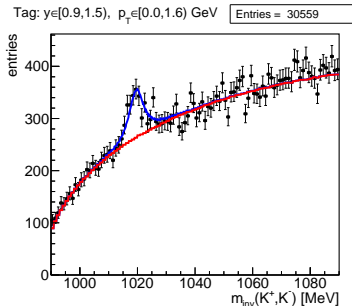
- Removes interactions in windows of LHT.
- Large  $c_{MC}$   $\rightarrow$  in-target events removed due to vertex  $z$  resolution.
- Negligible EMPTY target contribution (no windows)  $\rightarrow$  no EMPTY subtraction.

# Empty target statistics — 158 GeV

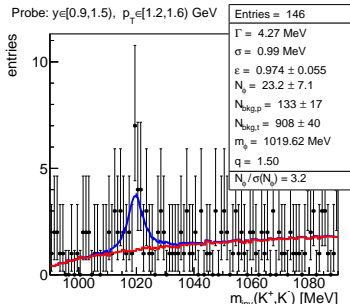
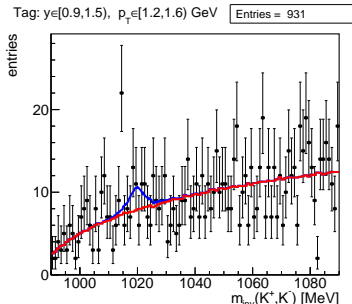
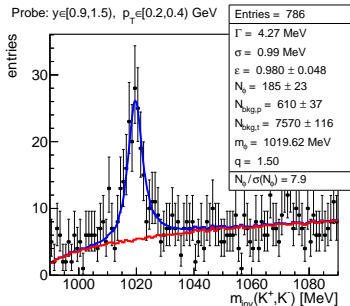
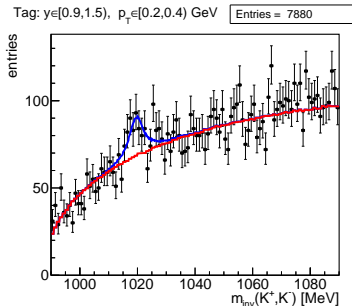


- EMPTY target subtraction requires division of these stats in the same bins as for FULL target analysis → **clearly not feasible.**

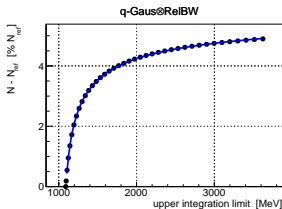
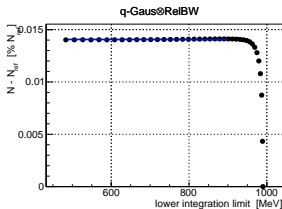
# Example 1D $y$ binning fit to constrain $\varepsilon$



# Example 2D binning fits



# Integral value vs integration cut-off



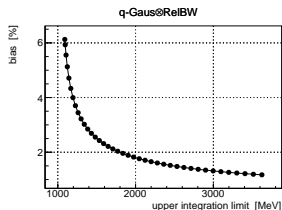
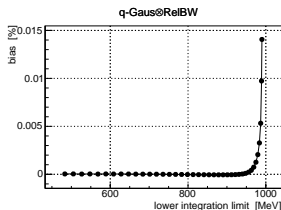
- $N$  — integral using given limit,  $N_{ref}$  — integral using edges of  $m_{inv}$  histogram as limits.
- Fits with  $y_{\infty} - a/|x - m_{\phi}|^b$  to obtain  $y_{\infty}$  — value of relative difference when limit is infinite. This allows to calculate correction / bias of the integral for each value of limit.

$$c_R = \frac{N_{ref} + N_R}{N_{ref}} = \frac{y_{\infty}}{100\%} + 1 \qquad c_L = \frac{N_L + N_{ref}}{N_{ref}}$$

- Reference lower limit for rel. Breit-Wigner already gives at least % accuracy.



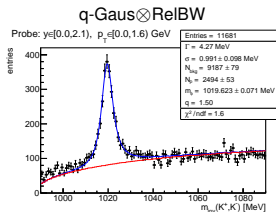
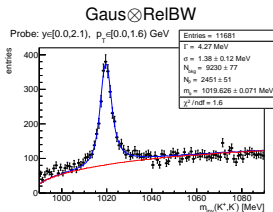
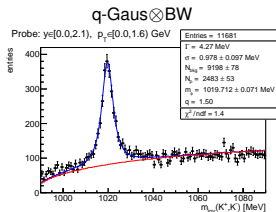
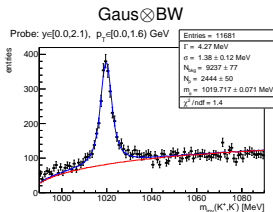
# Bias / correction due to integration cut-off



$$\begin{aligned}c_{\infty} &= \frac{N_{\infty}}{N_{\text{ref}}} = \frac{N_L + N_{\text{ref}} + N_R}{N_{\text{ref}}} \\ &= \frac{N_L + N_{\text{ref}} + N_R + N_{\text{ref}} - N_{\text{ref}}}{N_{\text{ref}}} \\ &= c_L + c_R - 1.\end{aligned}$$

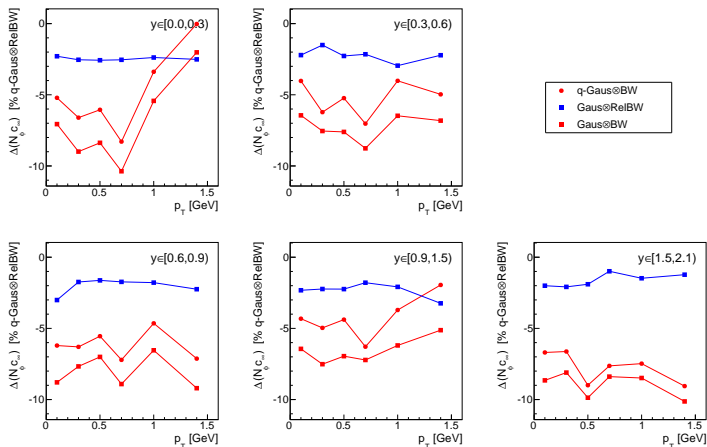
- Biases in this analysis may arise as consequence of
  - ① wrong choice of analytical parametrizations for resonance shape and detector resolution effect
  - ② choice of integration range of signal parametrization curve to obtain the yield
  - ③ unaccounted effects in background description
  - ④ constraints used in fitting
  - ⑤ wrong assumptions associated with kaon selection efficiency
  - ⑥ improper MC corrections of detector effects
- First 2 points — methods used up to now are changed (**changes central values**): Voigtian + integration in broad range  $\rightarrow$  q-Gaussian  $\otimes$  relativistic Breit-Wigner + correction to integral
- Other points — systematic uncertainties are estimated using improved methods for signal extraction.

# Signal parametrization choice



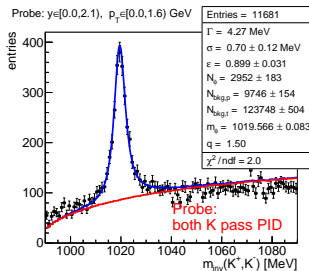
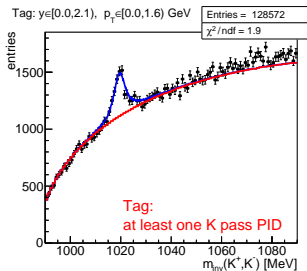
- Initially used Voigtian = Gaus  $\otimes$  BW due to technical convenience
- Using MC decided to change Gaussian  $\rightarrow$  q-Gaussian (explained later)
- For  $\phi$  relativistic Breit-Wigner (used in NA49) better than non-relativistic, which yields couple % sub-threshold production.
- Change in  $\chi^2 / \text{ndf}$  due to effects in background (explained later)

# Quantitative comparison of signal parametrizations



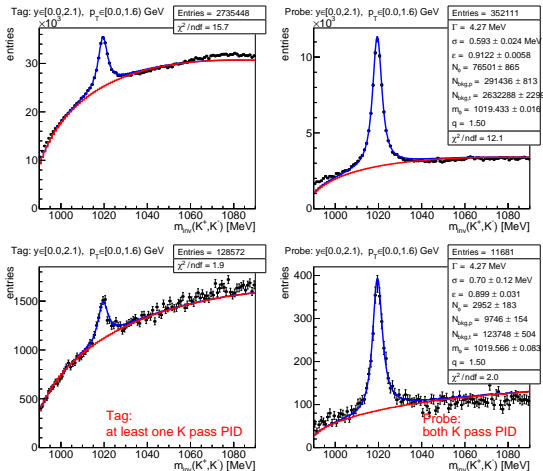
- Yields are corrected integrals in  $(-\infty, +\infty)$  (explained later)
- Old parametrization yielded up to 10% underestimated results.
- About 2% due to detector resolution model
- About 5% due to resonance model

# Background distortions



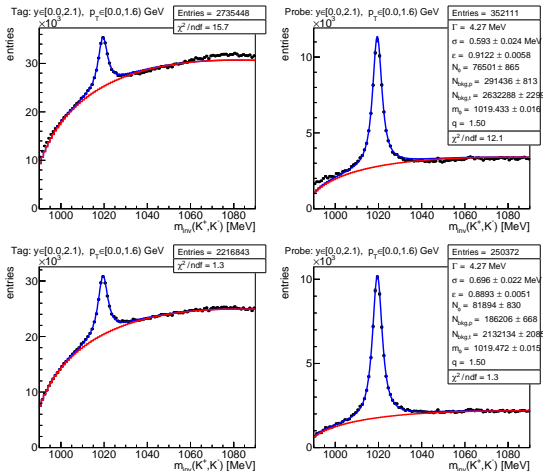
- Underestimation of background for high  $m_{\text{inv}}$  in Tag  $\rightarrow K^*0$
- Underestimation for low  $m_{\text{inv}}$ , overestimation of background for high  $m_{\text{inv}}$  in Probe  $\rightarrow$  electrons
- Using MC (next slides) — up to 10% systematic effect

# MC vs data



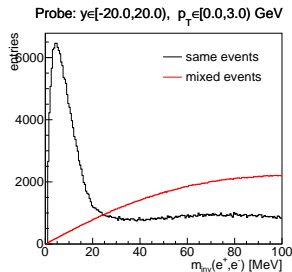
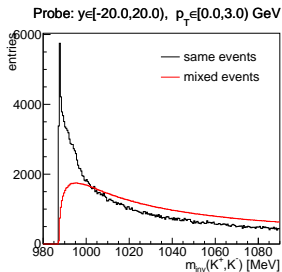
- Mock PID cuts tuned in MC (top) to have similar shapes as in data (bottom).

# MC dirty vs clean



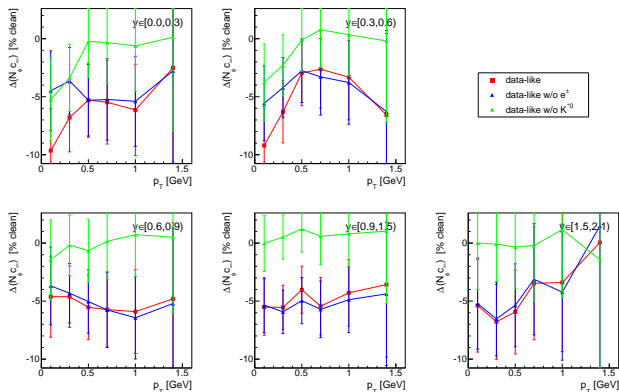
- In cleaned sample (no electrons, nothing from  $K^{*0}$ ) no background problems observed.

# Source of low $m_{inv}$ effect in MC — electrons



- Picture compatible with correlation due to Coulomb interaction (studied e.g. as background effect in HBT correlations for kaons and pions)
- Effect stronger for electrons as compared to hadrons due to lower mass of electrons?

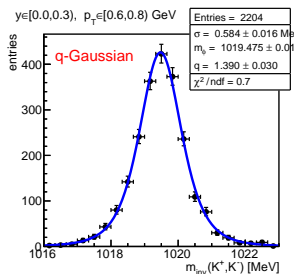
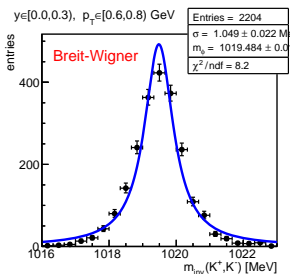
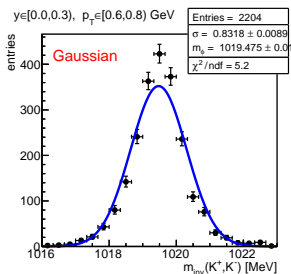




- Up to 10% systematic effect coming mostly from  $K^{*0} \rightarrow$  assign 10% systematic uncertainty bin independent
- Although in most bins effect about 5%, assigning bigger uncertainty possibly takes into account mismatches between MC and data

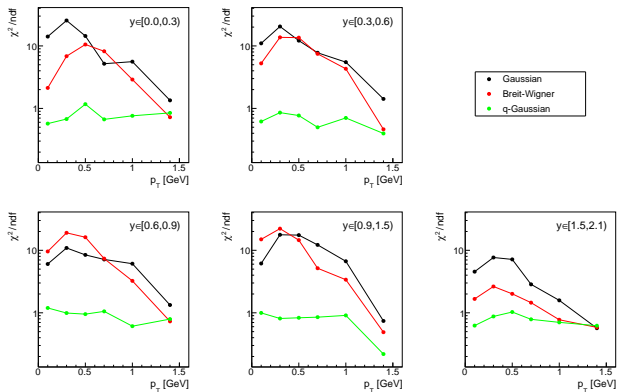
# Resolution model

- MC with  $\Gamma = 0$  (20M pp@158 events) provides insight into the effect of detector resolution on  $m_{inv}$ .
- It turns out that the default choice of Gaussian model is not optimal  $\rightarrow$  tested also Lorentz and q-Gaussian:



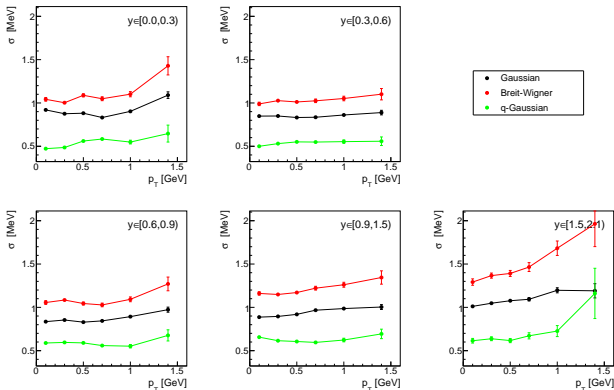
- Black dots are the same in all 3 pictures.
- Each model has a location parameter  $m_\phi$  and width parameter  $\sigma$ .
- q-Gaussian has additional shape parameter  $q$ :
  - $q = 2 \Leftrightarrow$  shape = Lorentz
  - $q \rightarrow 1$  shape  $\rightarrow$  Gaussian

# Choice of model



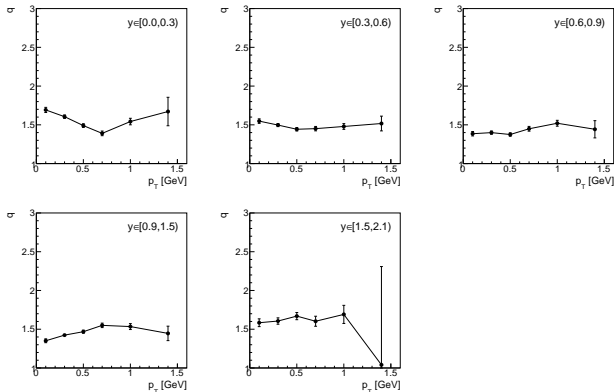
- q-Gaussian clearly favoured.

# Parameters stability: $\sigma$



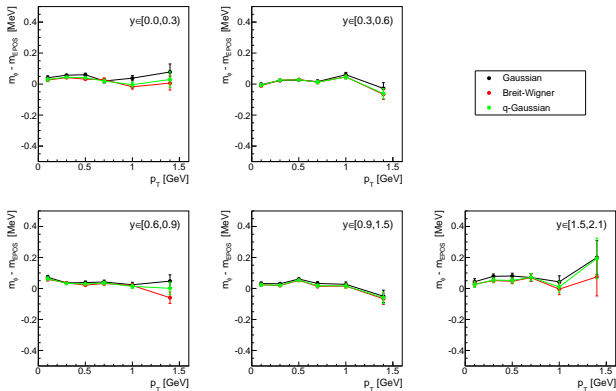
- Weighted sample standard deviation 7–9%  $\sigma$  fitted in full phase space, depending on model, with smallest for Gaussian.
- These values used to estimate systematic uncertainties ( $\approx 1\%$ ) associated with assumption of invariant  $\sigma$  in phase space bins.

# Parameters stability: $q$ (only for $q$ -Gaussian)



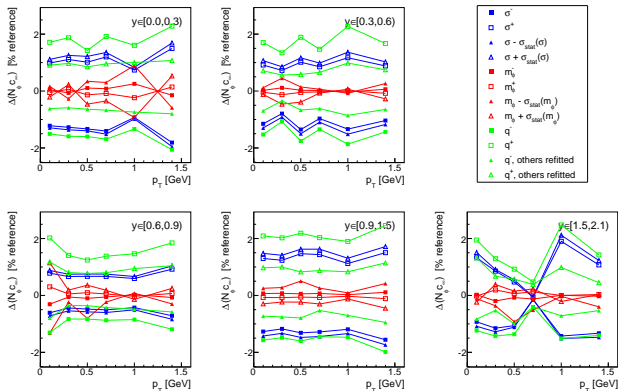
- Weighted sample standard deviation 6%  $q$  fitted in full phase space.
- These value used to estimate systematic uncertainties ( $< 2\%$ ) associated with assumption of invariant  $q$  in phase space bins.
- $q$  needs to be fixed to MC average value of 1.5 in fits to data due to background distortions ( $q$ -Gaussian can adapt its shape via  $q$  to fit background as signal)

# Parameters stability: $m_\phi$



- Weighted sample standard deviation  $\approx 0.5\% \Gamma$ ,  $0.002\% m_\phi$  fitted in full phase space, for all models.
- Translates into  $< 0.5\%$  systematic uncertainty.

# Systematics due to constraints on parameters

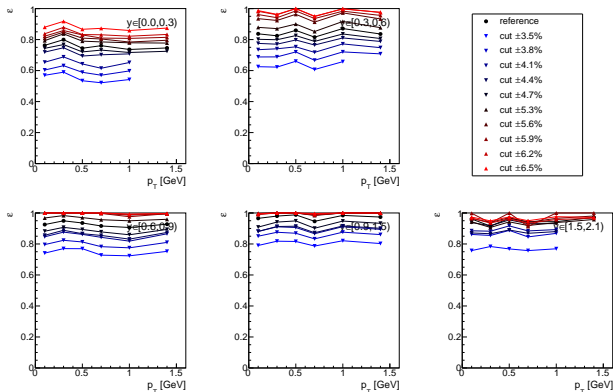


- „+“, „-“ superscripts — fits redone with listed fixed parameters increased/decreased by factors obtained from MC study from previous slides
- Also shown refits with fixed parameters shifted by their statistical errors from fits in full phase space
- Systematic uncertainty: 2%, bin independent or should sum up, or bin by bin?

- Known sources of systematic error in tag-and-probe:
  - non-constant value of PID efficiency ( $\varepsilon$ ) within phase space bins
  - constraints on  $\varepsilon$  in  $(y, p_T)$  bins fits if  $\varepsilon$  non-constant between bins
- Known and unknown effects studied by variation of window size around Bethe-Bloch (range +/- 30% of default/reference window size =  $\pm 5\%$  Bethe-Bloch value)
- Done for 2 cases of fitting strategy:
  - default — value of  $\varepsilon$  fitted in  $y$  bin in full  $p_T$  range is used to soft-constrain fits in  $(y, p_T)$  bins
  - free  $\varepsilon$  in  $(y, p_T)$  bins fitsto validate these strategies

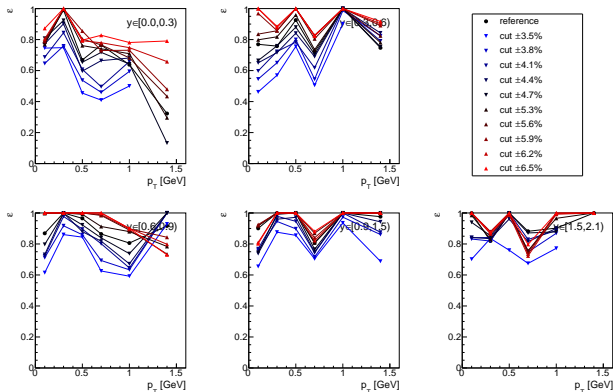


# Fit results: $\varepsilon$ in „constrained” strategy



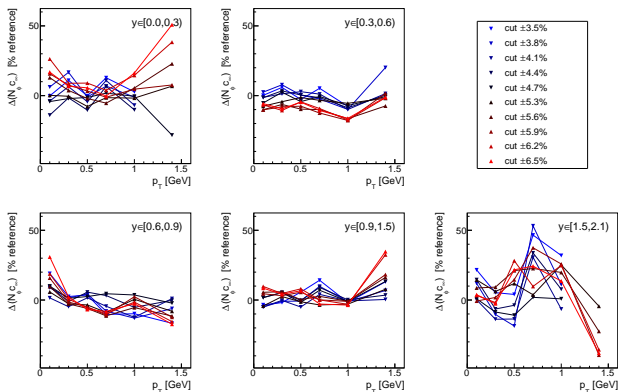
- Apart from one case in the last  $y$  bin,  $\varepsilon$  changes monotonically with window size
- agrees with expectation

# Fit results: $\varepsilon$ in „free” strategy



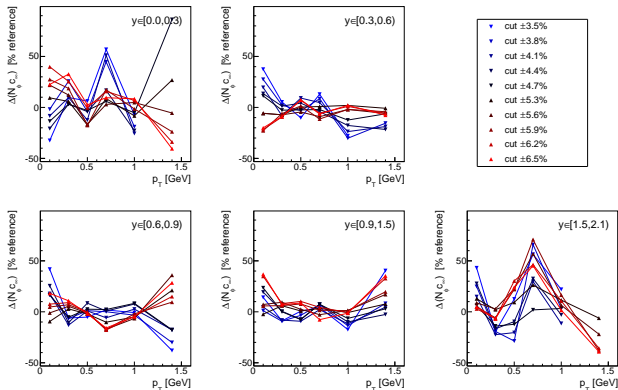
- Visible problems with monotonic dependence of  $\varepsilon$  on window size
- **contrary to expectation** — fit instabilities?

# Fit results: $N_\phi$ in „constrained” strategy



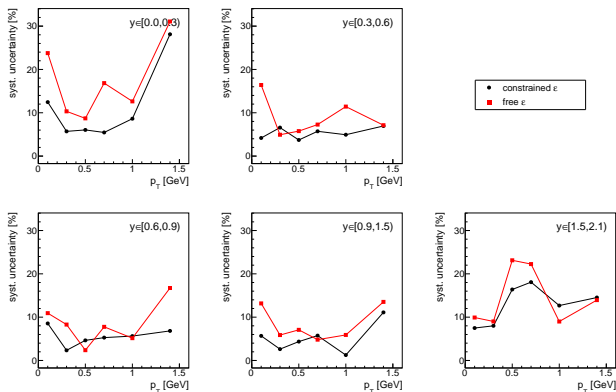
- Differences between  $N_\phi$  values for the given and the reference cut as percentage of results for reference cut
- If no systematic error  $\rightarrow$  all points should cluster at zero; standard deviation = measure of systematic uncertainty

# Fit results: $N_\phi$ in „free” strategy



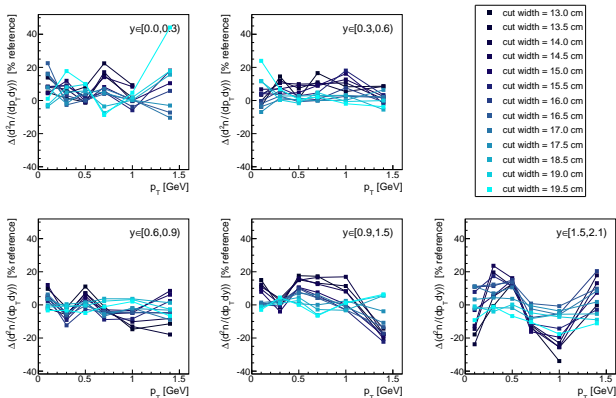
- Differences between  $N_\phi$  values for the given and the reference cut as percentage of results for reference cut
- If no systematic error  $\rightarrow$  all points should cluster at zero; standard deviation = measure of systematic uncertainty
- Clearly more spread than in „constrained” case

# Tag-and-probe systematic uncertainties



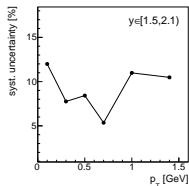
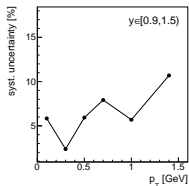
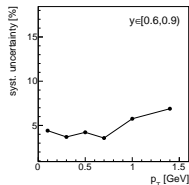
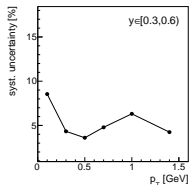
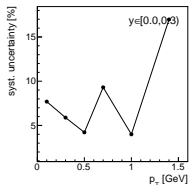
- „constrained” strategy yields smaller systematic uncertainties than „free”
- Above, together with better behaviour of  $\epsilon$  and smaller statistical uncertainties **clearly favours „constrained” strategy** over the „free” one.

# Main vertex Z position cut variations



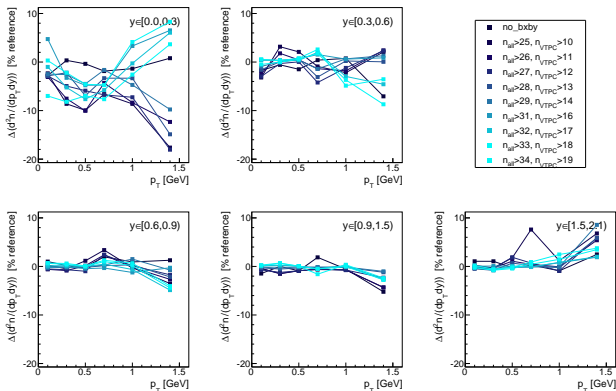
- Differences between normalized and corrected yield values for the given and the reference cut as percentage of results for reference cut = 18 cm
- If no systematic error  $\rightarrow$  all points should cluster at zero; standard deviation = measure of systematic uncertainty

# Systematic uncertainty due to vertex Z position cut



- Magnitude similar to tag-and-probe systematics

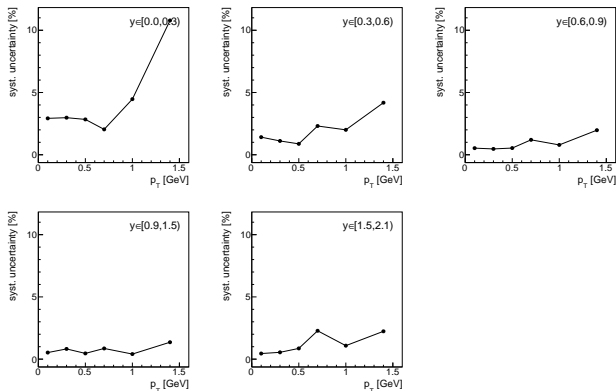
# Number of TPCs points cuts variations



- Differences between normalized and corrected yield values for the given and the reference cut as percentage of results for reference cut =  $n_{all} > 30, n_{VTPC} > 15$
- $n_{GAP-TPC} > 4$  not varied; also shown result after removing Bx,By cut
- If no systematic error  $\rightarrow$  all points should cluster at zero; standard deviation = measure of systematic uncertainty



# Systematic uncertainty due to track quality cuts



- Magnitude smaller than for to tag-and-probe and vertex cut systematics

# Model dependence of MC correction

## MC correction may depend on

- $\phi$  model — shape of generated  $\phi$  spectrum
- event model — distributions of other particles and correlations between particles
- detector model — geometry, materials, models of interactions with material

## Removing $\phi$ model dependence

- calculate correction in small bins; on application level use
  - weighting of entries with the correction
  - averaging of correction with fit of data spectrum (NA49)
- reweight existing MC (Antoni's pp h- paper)

## Reducing systematic uncertainty of correction

- detector model dependence unavoidable; can only improve the model
- event model → find better one, or
- factorize correction into accurate large part that doesn't depend on event model and smaller that depends

# Breakdown of the MC correction

- Single correction is calculated and applied to data, but one can look how different effects contribute to this correction.
- Breakdown realised by sequentially applying selection cuts. For  $\phi$  it means that both  $K$  need to pass the given track cut.
- Conditions probably are not statistically independent, so change of cuts sequence may change the breakdown.
- Overall systematic uncertainty might be reduced if correction factorized into dominant, accurate part and subdominant, less accurate part.

# Breakdown of MC correction

registration efficiency

## Correction

$$c_{\text{geom}} = \left( \frac{n_{\text{reg}}}{n_{\text{gen}}} \right)^{-1}$$

where  $n_{\text{reg}}$  — spectrum of generated (SimEvent) tracks that pass the cuts:

- Number of GEANT points in all TPCs > 30
- Number of GEANT points in VTPCs > 15 or GTPC > 4
- Supposed to correct for particle registration efficiency (geometry, interactions with detector, K decays)
- Probably does not take into account correctly the K decay effect
- No dependence on the model of event production → candidate to factorize out and calculate from large statistics, well binned, flat phase space MC

# Breakdown of MC correction

trigger bias

## Correction

$$c_{T2} = \left( \frac{n_{T2}}{n_{\text{reg}}} \right)^{-1}$$

where  $n_{T2}$  — spectrum of generated (SimEvent) tracks that pass the cut `reg` and events with T2 trigger (no GEANT hits in S4).

- Corrects for trigger bias due to S4 killing inelastic events
- Expected to be bigger at high energies (many high momentum tracks) and smaller at low energies
- Depends on the model of event production

# Breakdown of MC correction

vertex cuts bias

## Correction

$$c_{\text{Vertex}} = \left( \frac{n_{\text{ver}}}{n_{\text{T2}}} \right)^{-1}$$

where  $n_{\text{ver}}$  — spectrum of generated (SimEvent) tracks that pass the cut reg, T2 and events pass all vertex cuts

- Corrects for bias due to vertex cuts — removal of low multiplicity events
- Expected to be smaller at high energies (large track multiplicities) and bigger at low energies
- Depends on the model of event production

## Correction

$$c_{\text{Track}} = \left( \frac{n_{\text{sel}}}{n_{\text{ver}}} \right)^{-1}$$

- Corrects for reconstruction efficiency and bin migration, since  $n_{\text{sel}}$  binned according to the reconstructed momentum
- Reconstruction efficiency
  - expected to be small for proton-proton due to low track multiplicities
  - depends on the model of event production
- Bin migration
  - depends on momentum resolution

# Breakdown of MC correction

