

A study of Luminosity Estimation in ATLAS using the Minimum Bias Trigger Scintillators (MBTS)



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Luminosity: definition

The interaction rate μ (i.e. the number of interactions per BC) is proportional to the cross section σ ; the constant of proportionality is the luminosity \mathcal{L} :

μ is the number of interactions per Bunch crossing (BC)

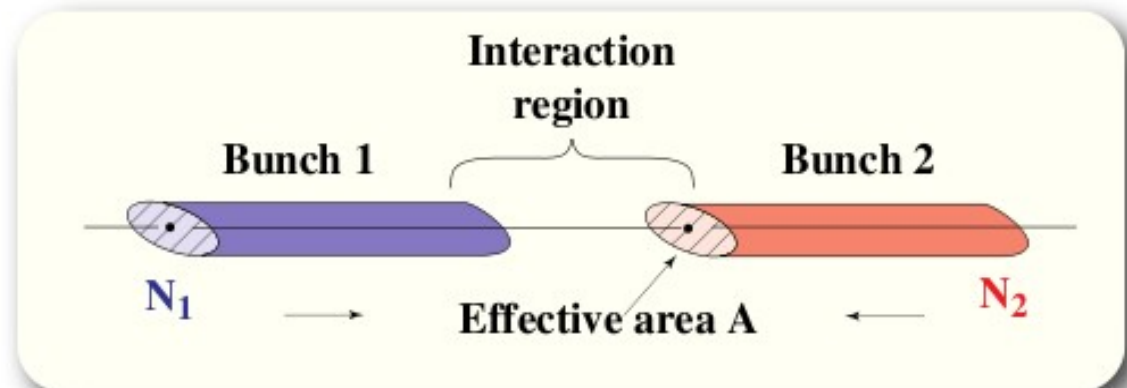
$$\mu = \mathcal{L} \sigma$$

σ is cross section of the process

\mathcal{L} characterizes the number of collisions in a collider [$\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$]

If two bunches containing N_1 and N_2 particles collide with frequency f then:

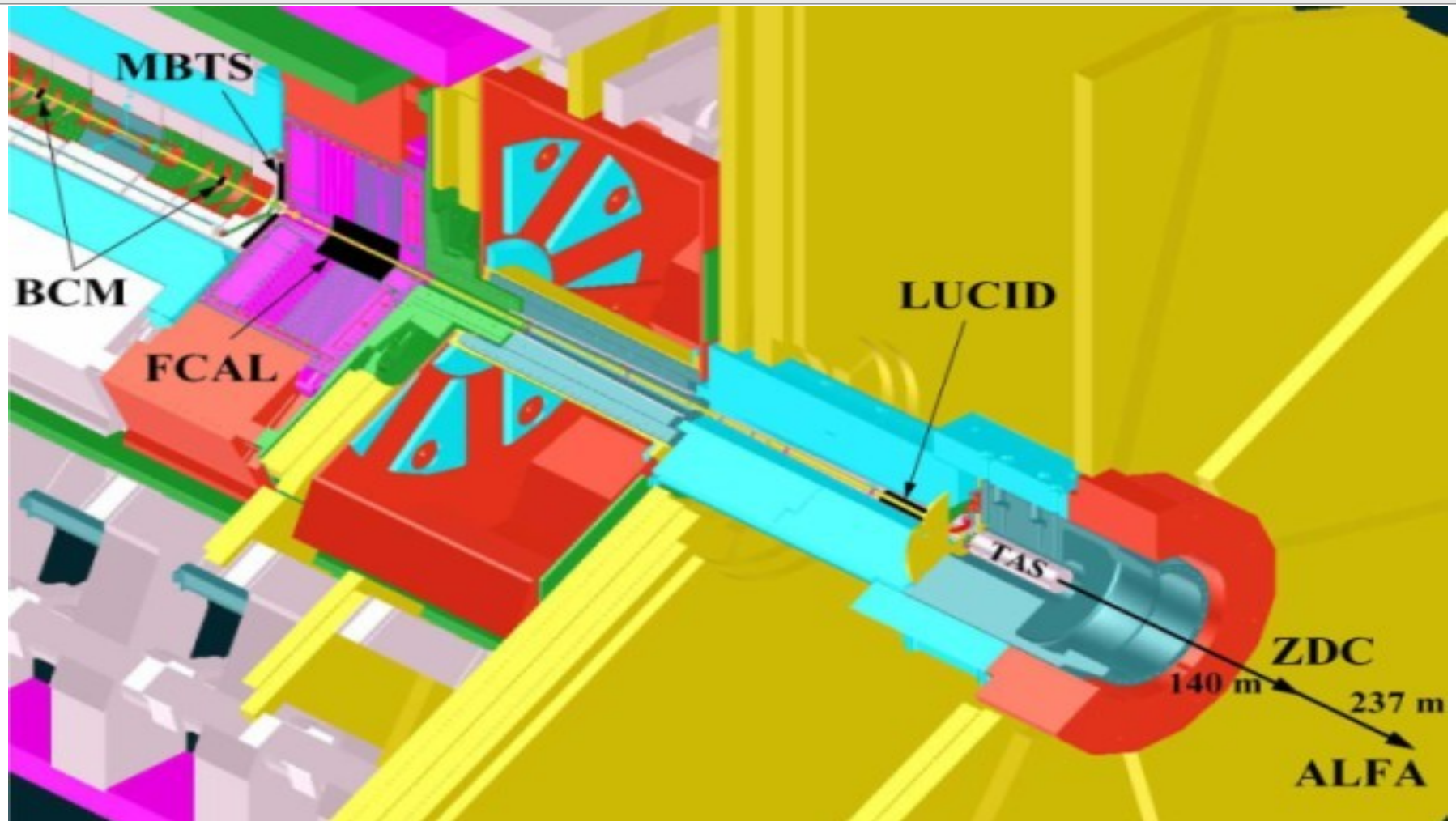
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{N_1 N_2 f}{A_{\text{eff}}}$$



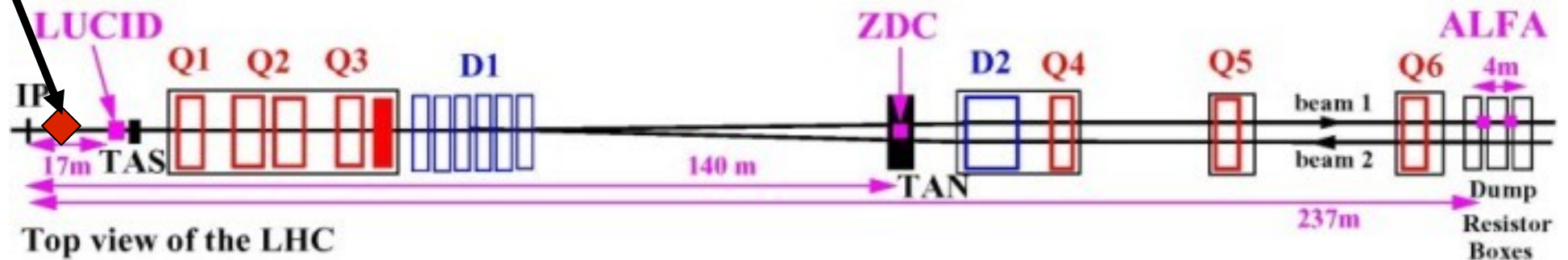
The Luminosity depends only on the beam parameters \Rightarrow It is independent of the physical reaction

The design luminosity of LHC is $10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ after 2 or 3 years

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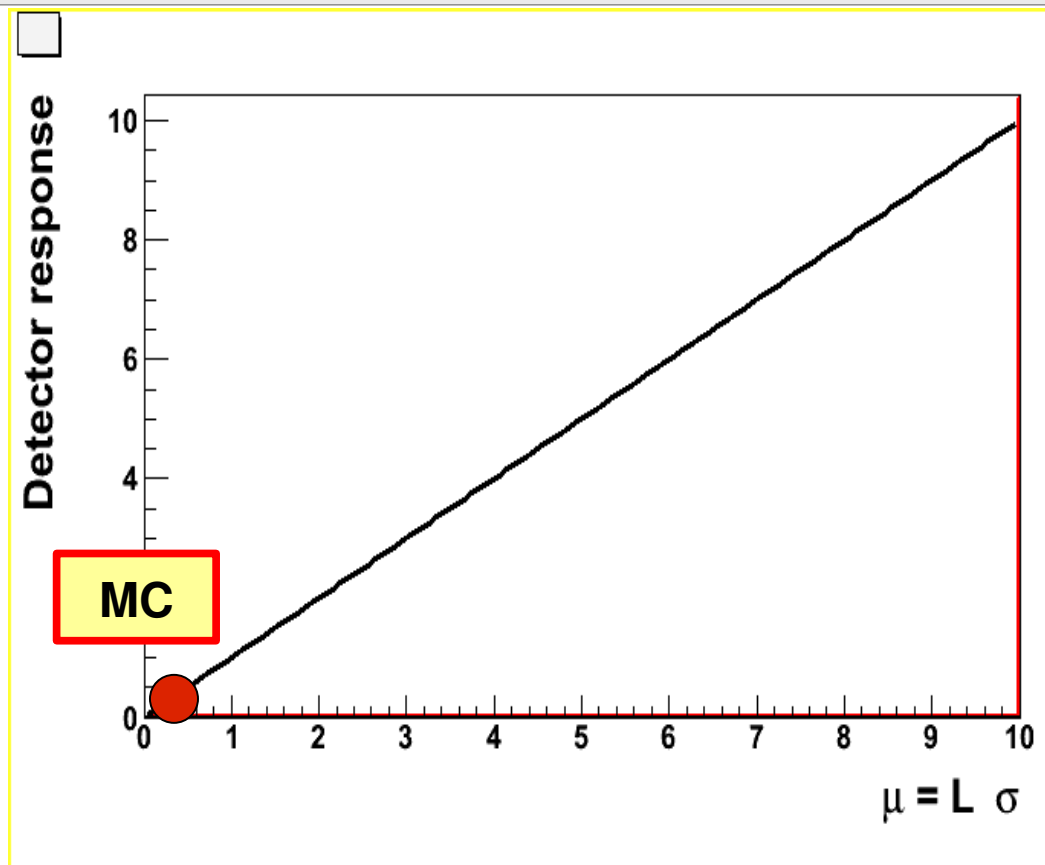


MBTS



The ATLAS luminosity measurement taskforce

- Identify, document and characterize the performance of the various online luminosity algorithms
- **Provide an initial absolute Monte Carlo based calibration**
- **Identify and quantify the possible systematic errors in the luminosity measurements**
- Identify and document the improvements that can be made in an offline analysis;
- Propose offline archiving and accounting strategies.



Here we are interested in make a luminosity estimation using the Minimum Bias Trigger Scintillators (MBTS)

Cross check of estimated luminosities from different subdetectors: BCM, FCAL, LUCID, MBTS, ZDC

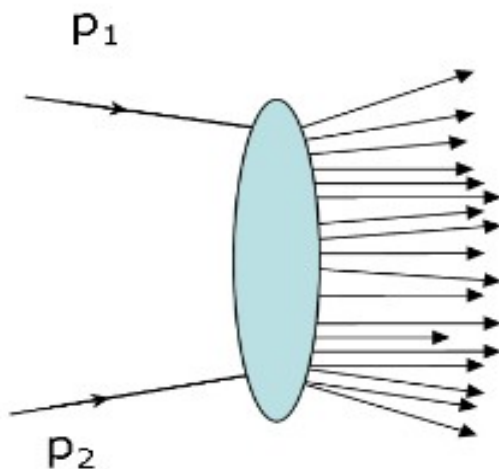
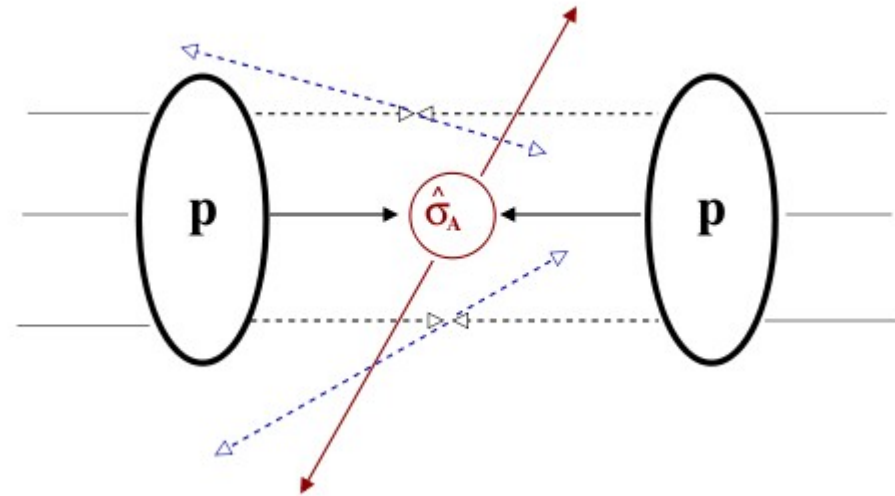
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Minimum Bias events = Non diffractive inelastic interaction

Minimum bias events are dominated by soft interactions

No QCD



Modelling with Pythia, Phojet, Herwig

Minimum bias events constitutes unavoidable background, for this reason it's important study them

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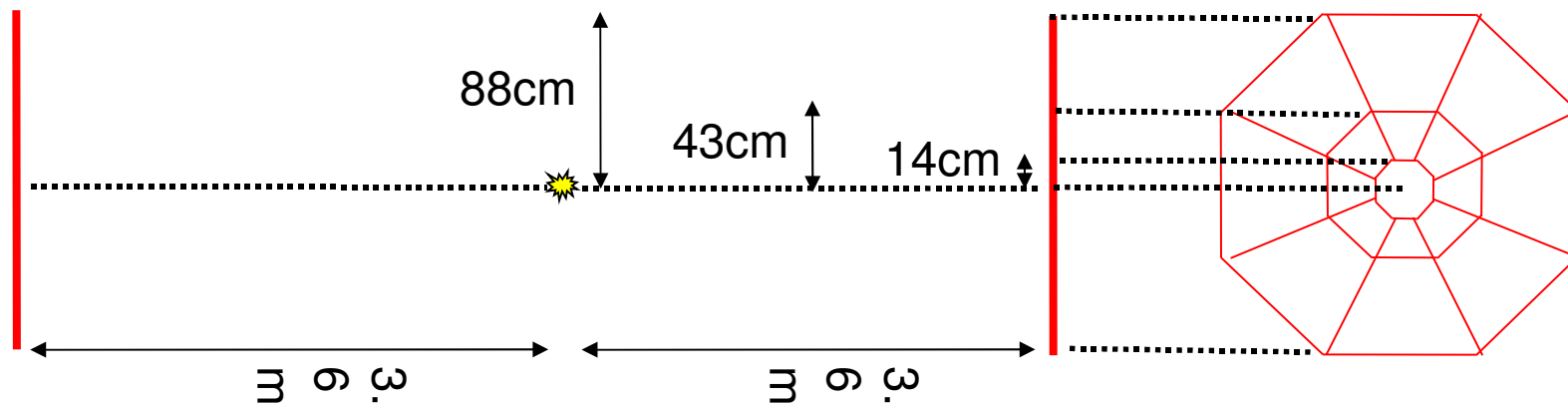
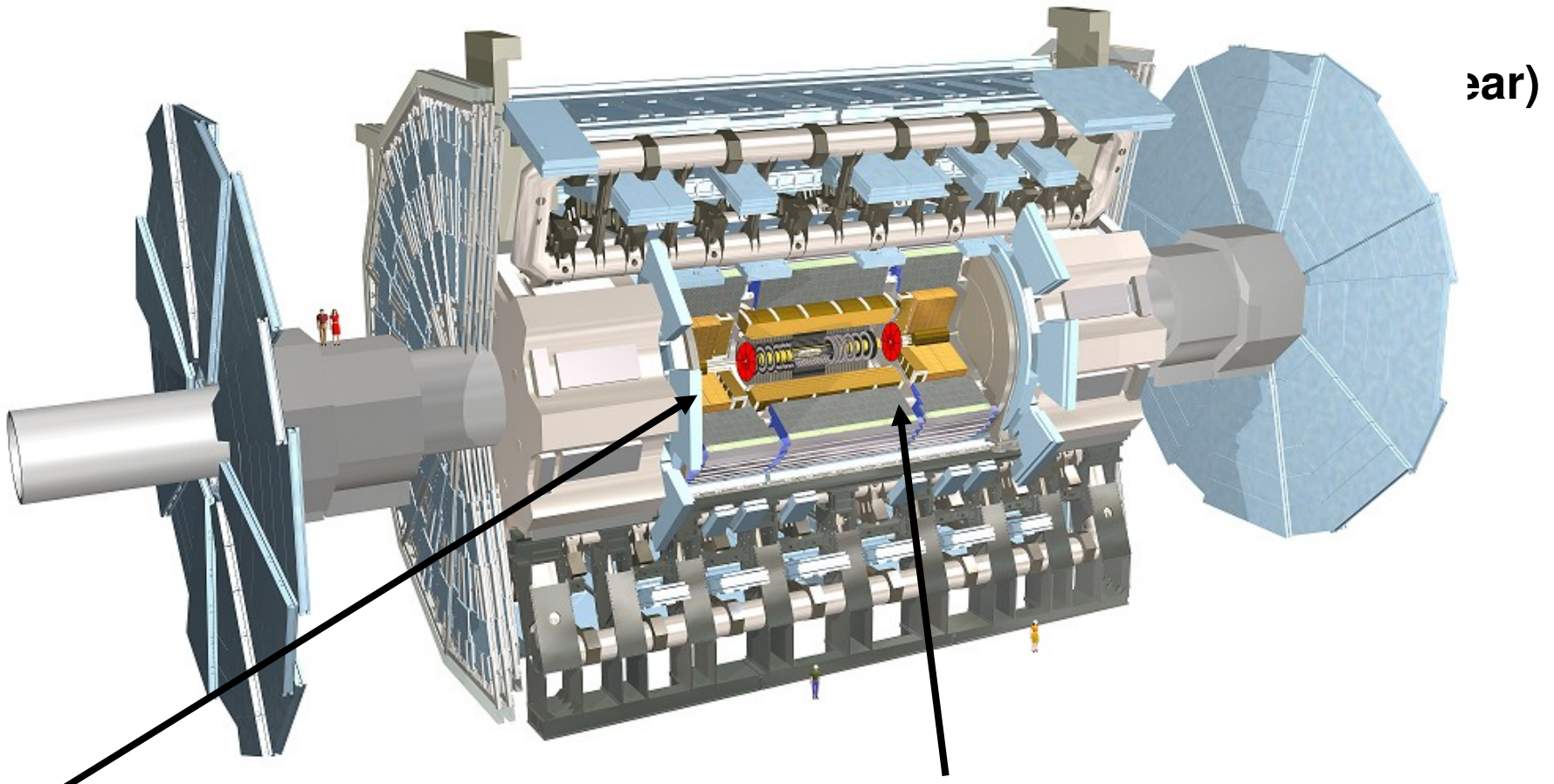
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- Pseudo
- High
- Low



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Interest for luminosity:

- **Provide calibration samples for other luminosity monitors**
- **Provide a measurement of luminosity in early stages**

Simulation: Full ATLAS in Athena, Pythia non diffractive events at $\sqrt{s} = 10$ TeV

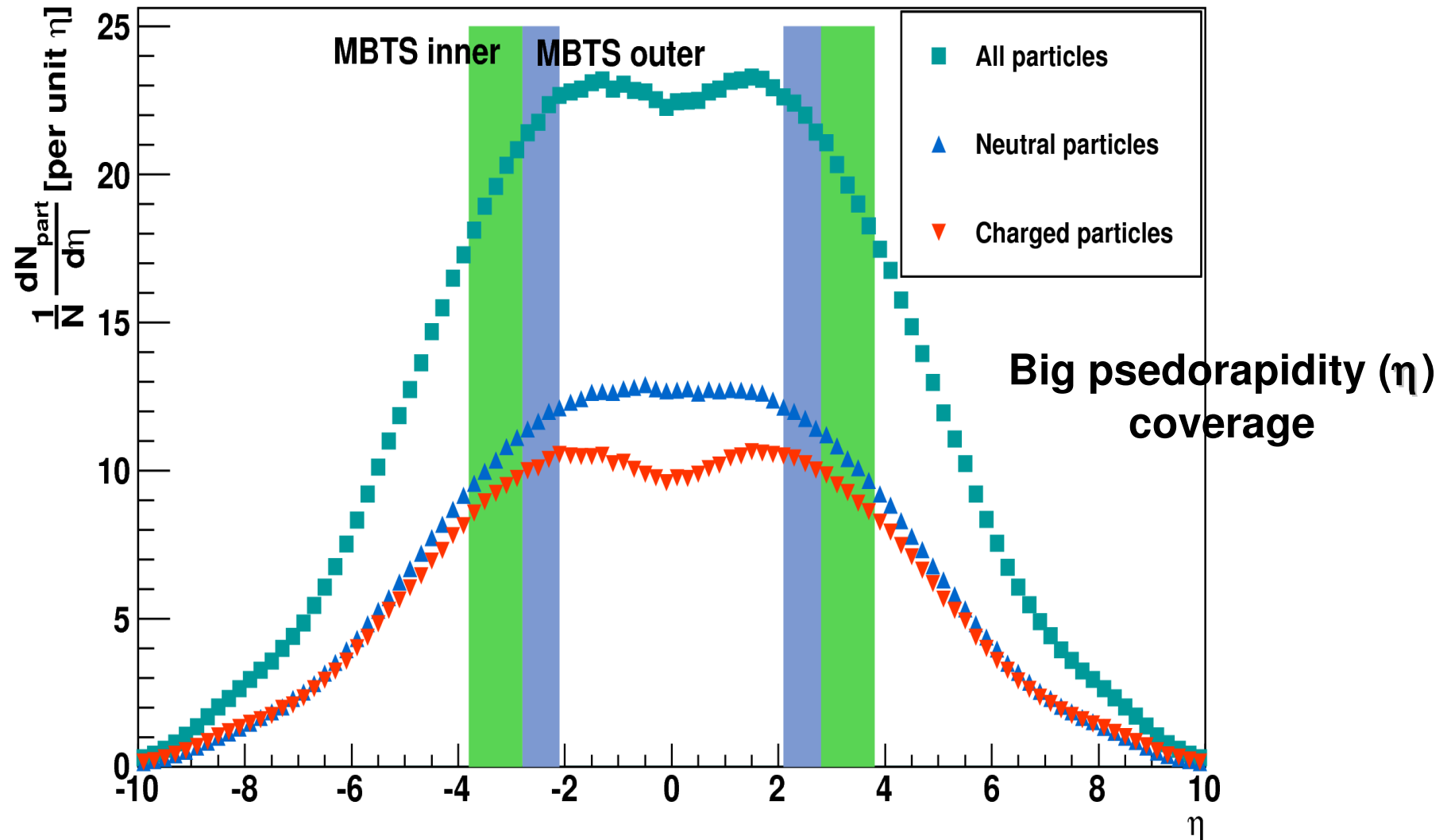
Average number of particles per pp interaction

Response of the detector to a single particle

Hit multiplicity as a function of μ

Pseudorapidity (η) for all primary particles

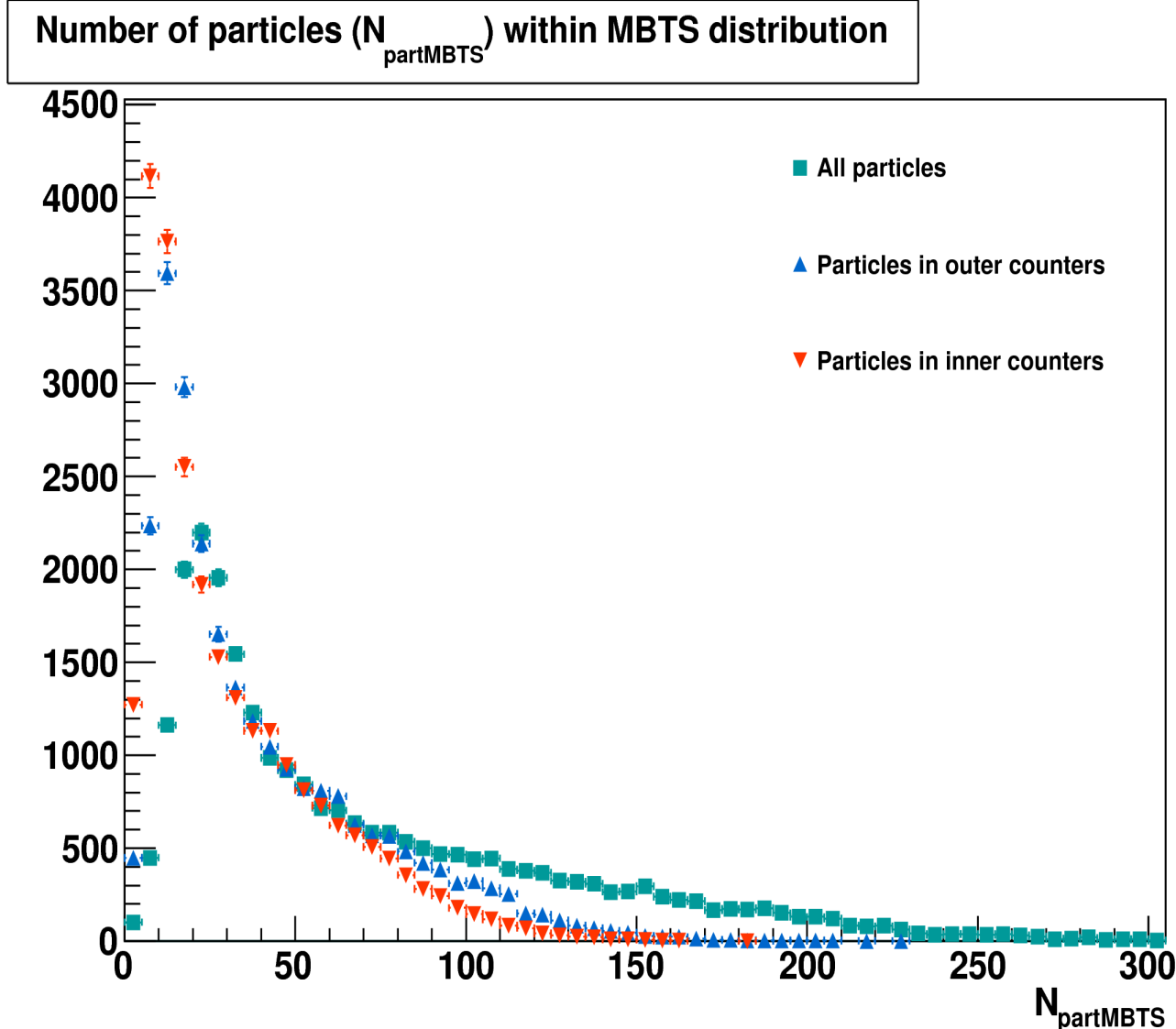
ParticleEta



Only primary particles
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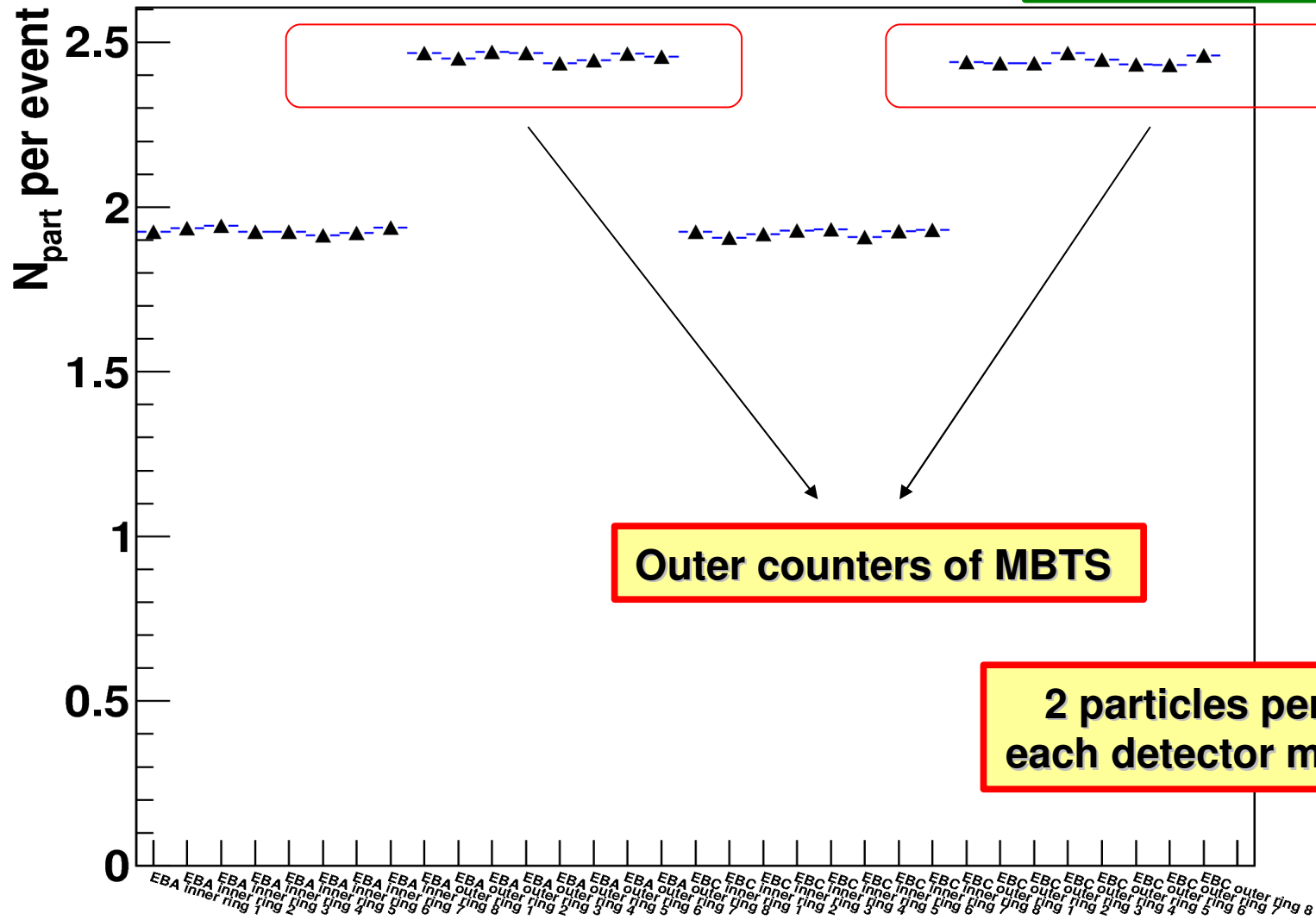
The average number of
primary particles inside MBTS
acceptance is about 25.

Selection criteria:
Inner = $2.8 < |\eta| < 3.8$
Outer = $2.1 < |\eta| < 2.8$

Particles per counter distribution

Particles per MBTS counter per event

Distribution per event

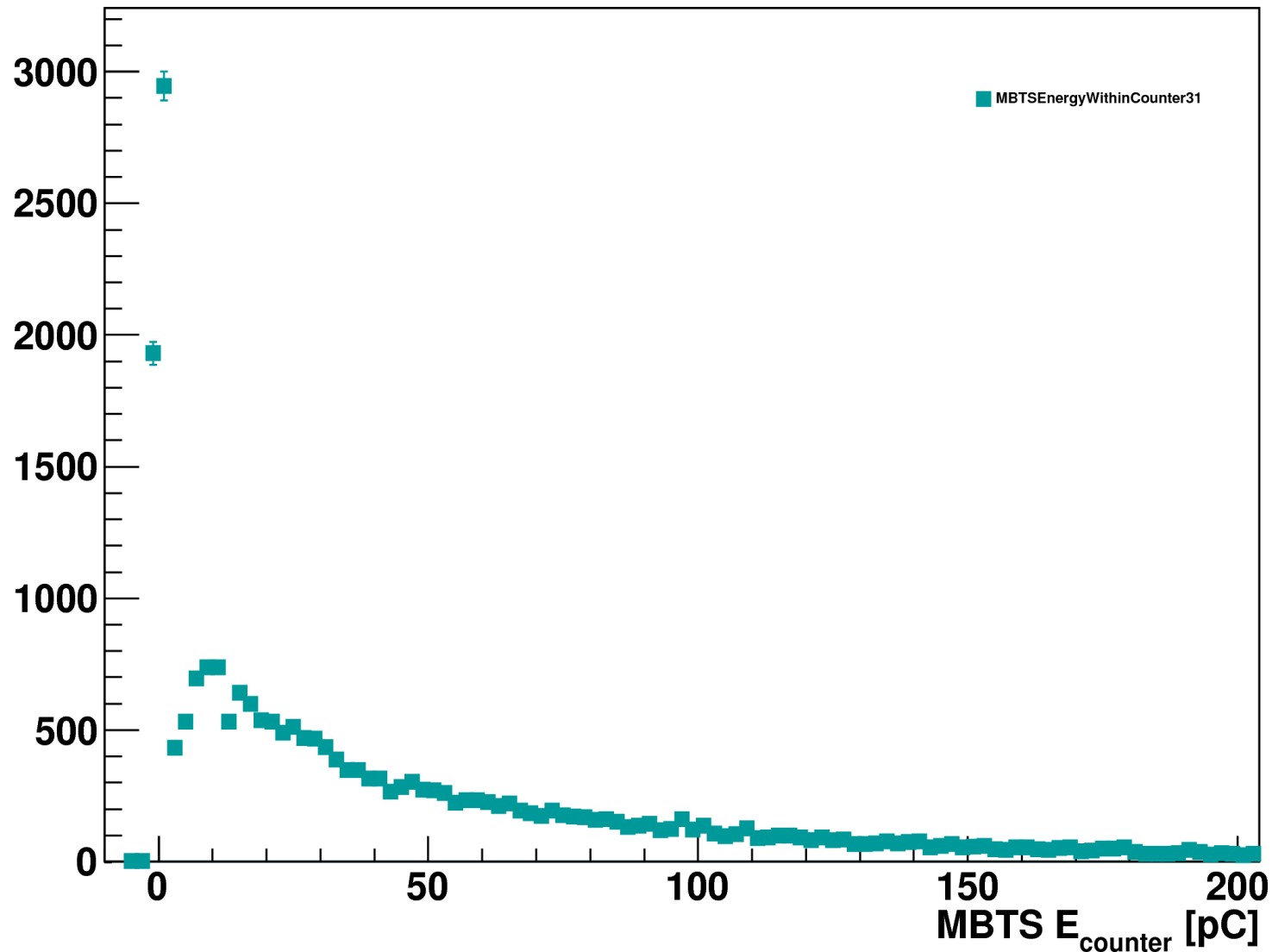


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Energy distribution for one of the MBTS counter

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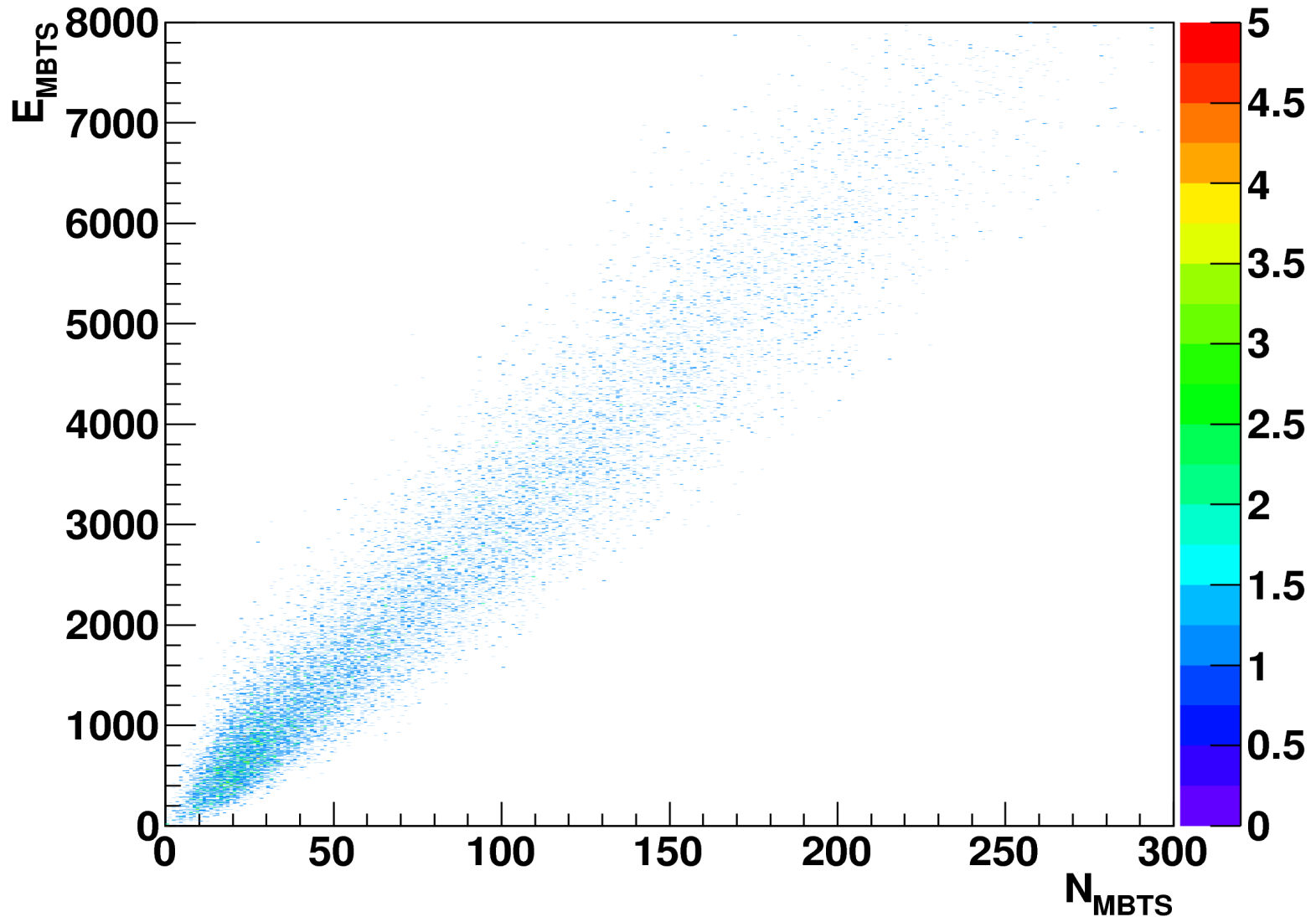


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MBTS energy E_{MBTS} vs number of particles inside MBTS

MBTS Energy (E_{MBTS}) vs Number of particles within MBTS (N_{MBTS})

25000 events processed



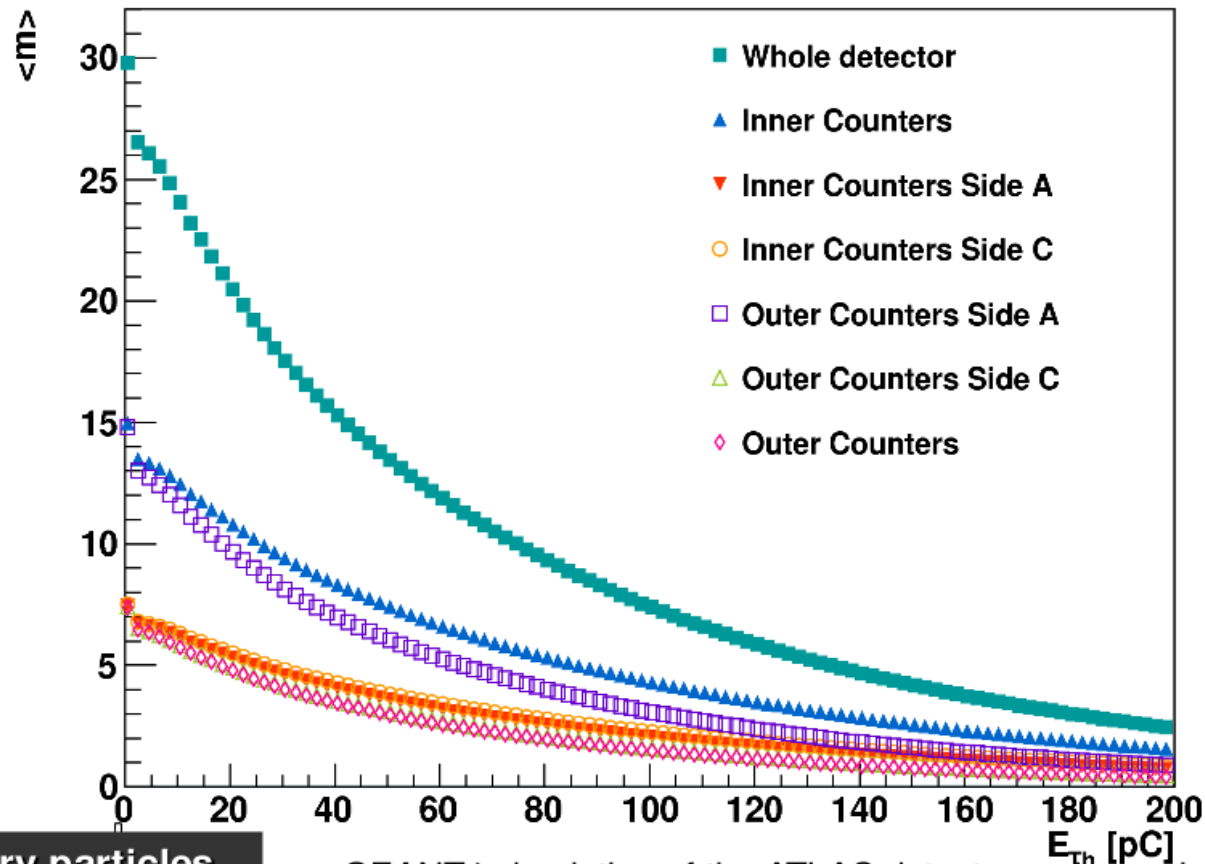
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Correlation between the E_{MBTS} and the number of particles
that pass through the MBTS

MBTS hits multiplicity

¿How many counters detect a particle as a function of the energy threshold?

Hits Multiplicity ($\langle m \rangle$) for different Thresholds (E_{Th})

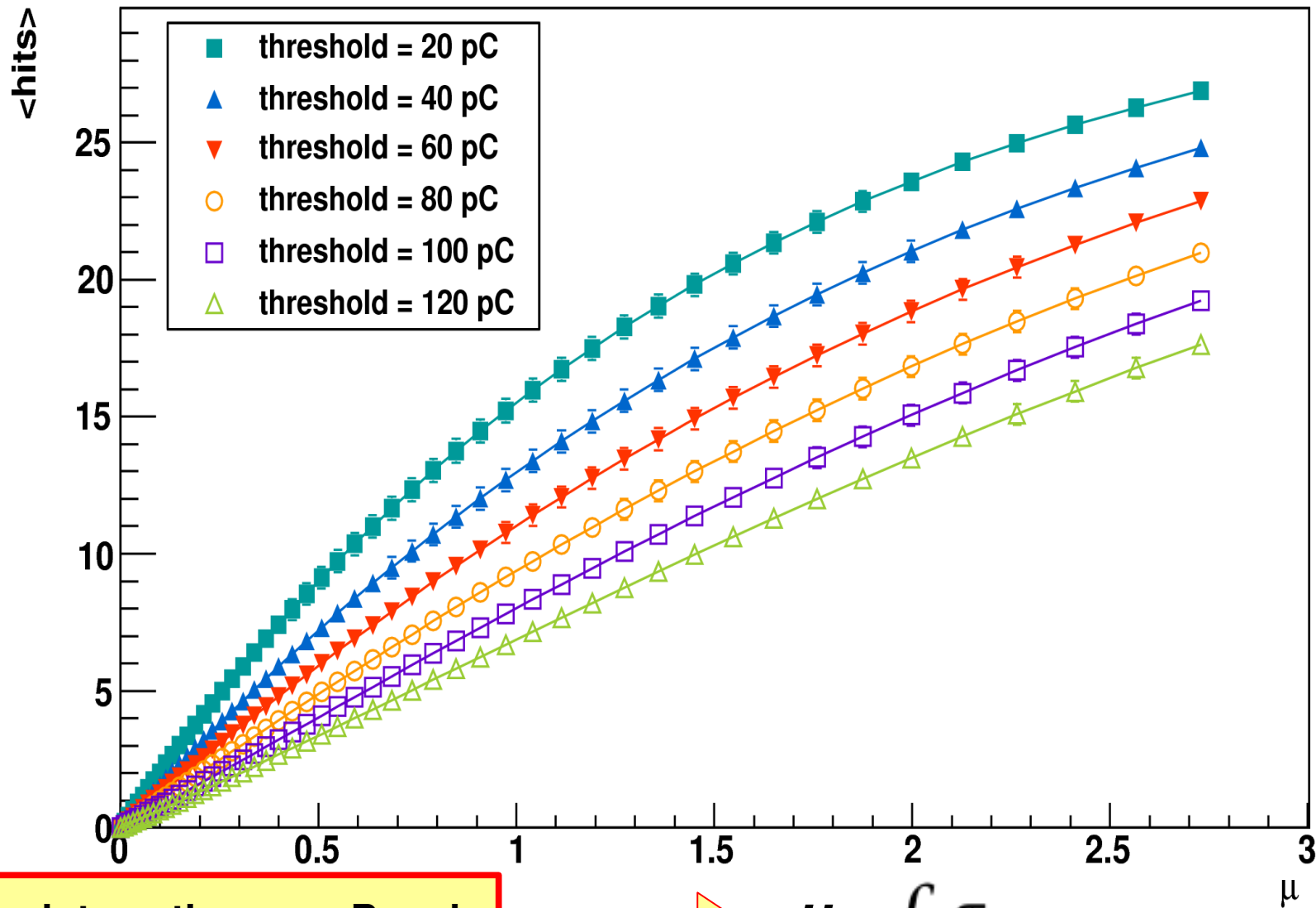


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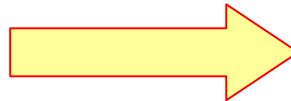
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Smooth behaviour of multiplicity as a function of pulse height threshold.
Detector is not fully saturated. Can be used to estimated luminosity.

Hits multiplicity vs Mean number of interactions (μ)

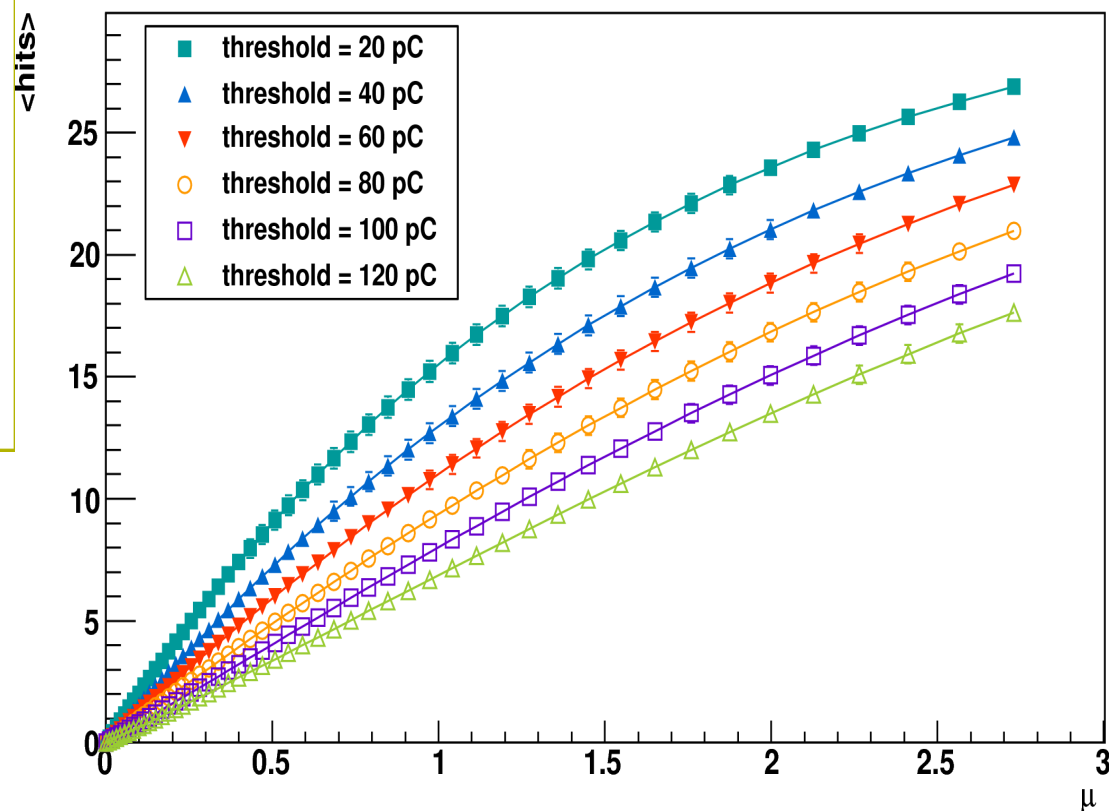
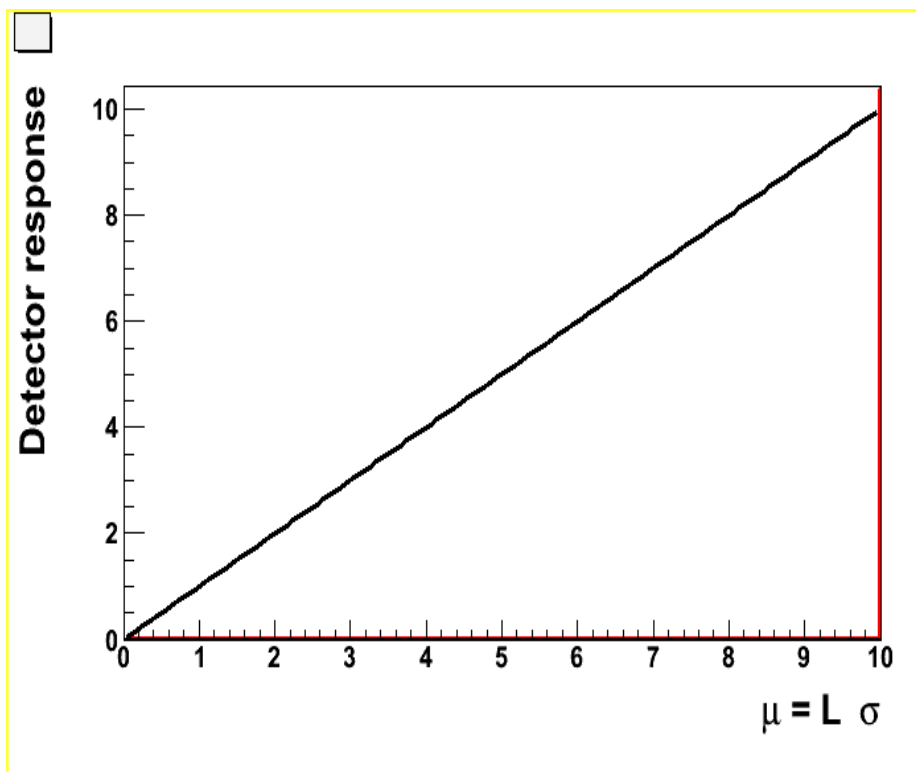


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Conclusions

- A lot of progress in understanding MBTS simulation.
- MBTS machinery are ready to provide systematic uncertainties in luminosity measurements.
- Have a look in another data types: single diffractive, double diffractive, splash data

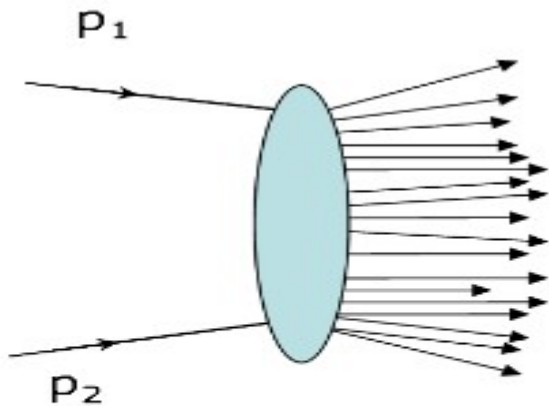
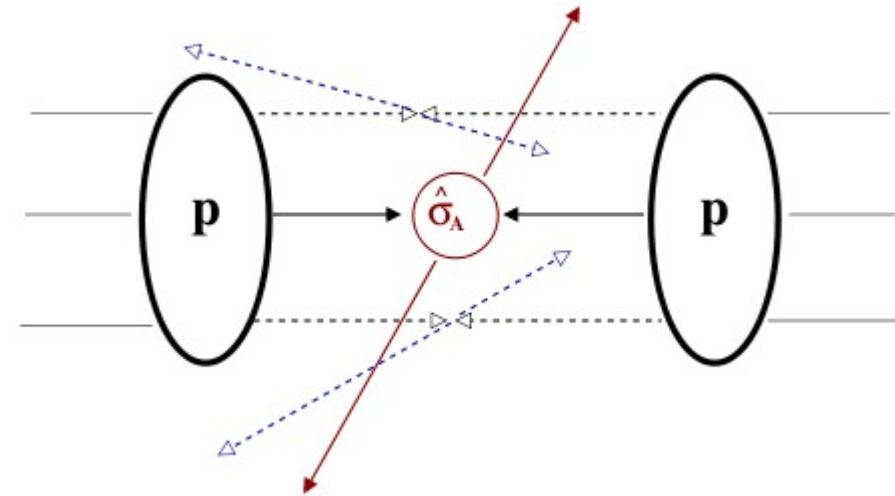
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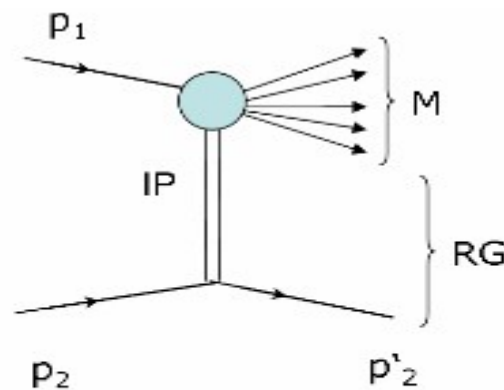
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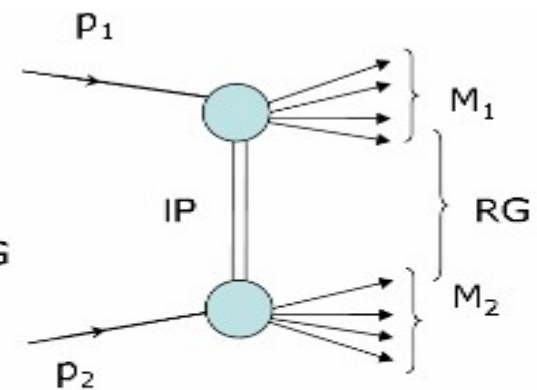
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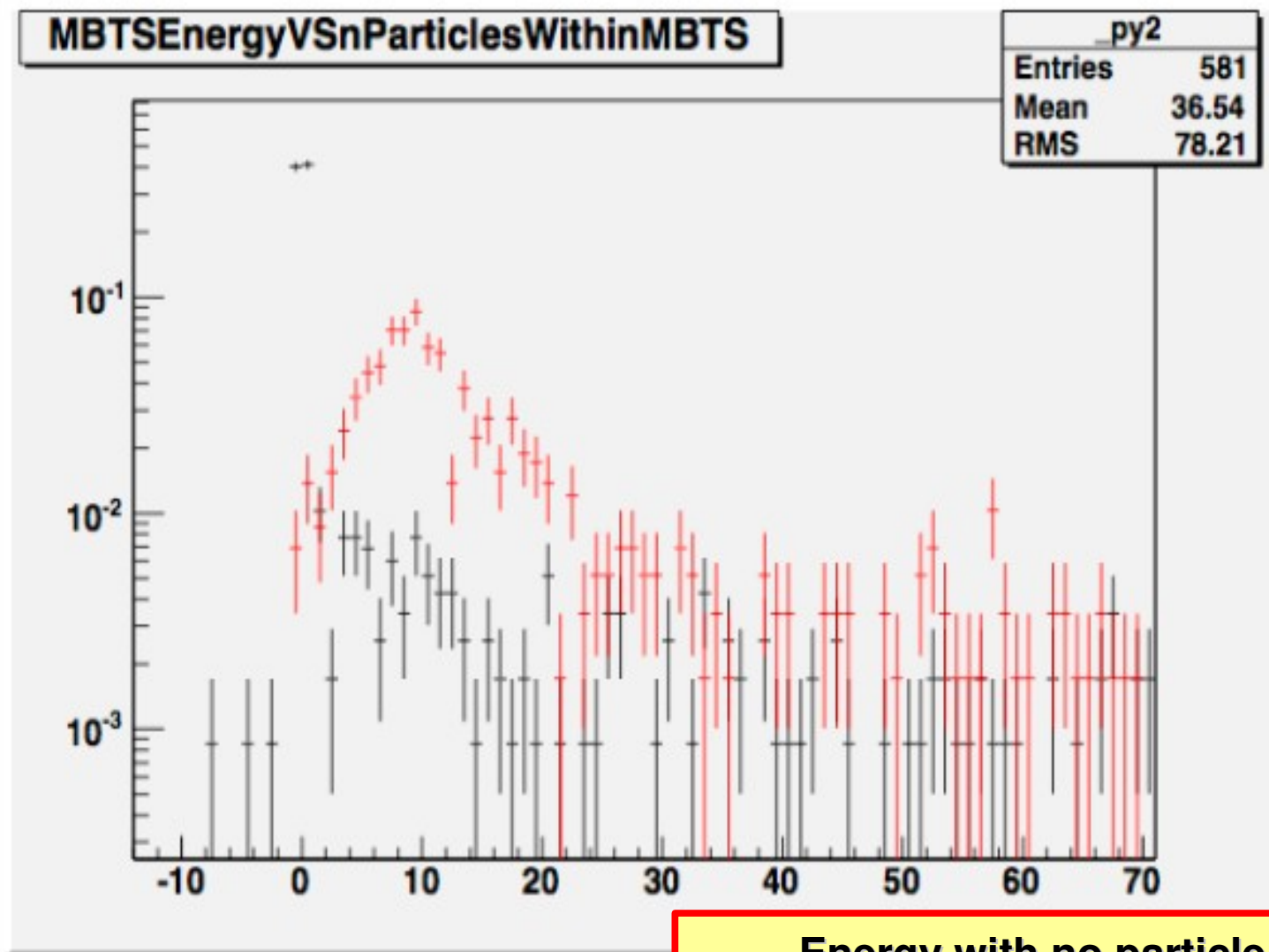


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MBTS single particle peak



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