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Analysis Overview : **PWGHF - HFCJ**

D⁺ - Hadron azimuthal correlations in pp @ 7 TeV
with ALICE at LHC

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Physics Motivation

Heavy flavor in high-energy heavy ion collisions

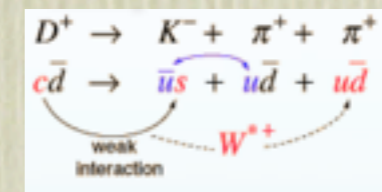
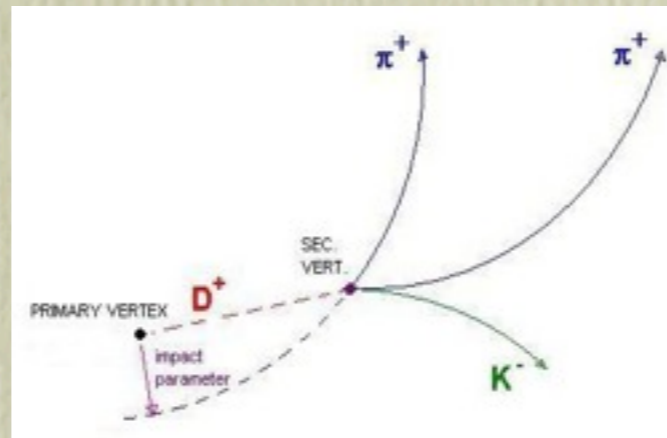
- ☑ Heavy quarks produced initial stage of collision (production time 0.05-0.15fm/c). So they are well suited probe for studying the properties of QGP.
- ☑ We can investigate the properties of the dense matter by studying its influence on open heavy flavor production.

About D+

Mass (D+) = $1.869.62 \pm 0.20 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

Decay channel \Rightarrow

Branching ratio = $9.22 \pm 0.21\%$



Physics Motivation

Why azimuthal correlations ?

- ✓ Path length dependence of energy loss (larger loss for partons traversing more in matter):
“away side suppression”
- ✓ Possible medium modifications to parton shower and fragmentation: can influence associated yields and peak widths & shape

$$\text{Nuclear Modification Factor: } I_{AA} = Y_{\text{PbPb}} / Y_{\text{pp}}$$

Azimuthal correlations with D Meson ?

- ✓ Heavy flavor jets and provide a more detailed picture of heavy flavor energy loss
- ✓ HF partons interact differently with the medium w.r.t. gluons and light quarks

Some Challenge with HF

- ☑ Require a lot of statistics ($\sim 10D^+/M$ events)
- ☑ High combinatorial background (in invariant mass analysis) ->
 - *strong selection applied on D^+ (D^+ mesons Efficiency)
 - *need to subtract correlations of background :
- ☑ Contamination of D from B

Analysis Details

Data Set 2010 pp data

Sr	Data	AOD	MC	AOD
1	LHC10b	AOD038	LHC10d1	AOD56
2	LHC10c	AOD038	LHC10d4	AOD56
3	LHC10d	AOD057	LHC10f6a	AOD41
4	LHC10e	AOD057		

D⁺ Reconstruction Cuts : StandardPP2010 Publish cuts

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Hadron Cuts:

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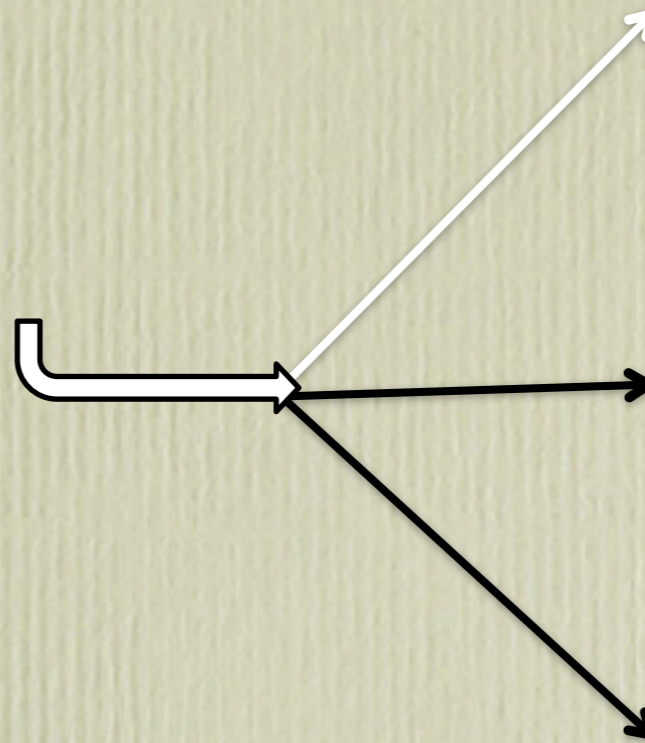
pT Range and Threshold

Dplus pT

- $2 < D^+ \text{ pt (GeV/c)} < 5$
- $5 < D^+ \text{ pt (GeV/c)} < 8$
- $8 < D^+ \text{ pt (GeV/c)} < 16$

Hadron pT

- $\text{pt} > 0.3 \text{ GeV/c}$
- $\text{pt} > 0.5 \text{ GeV/c}$
- $\text{pt} > 1.0 \text{ GeV/c}$



D+ Inv Mass Spectra:

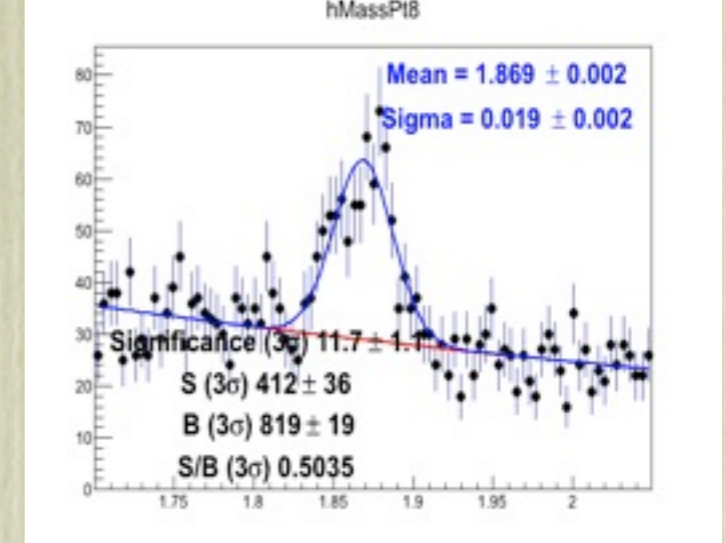
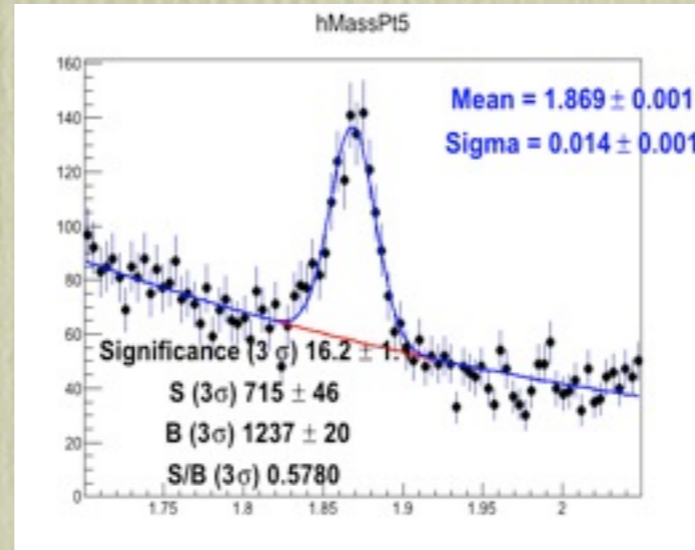
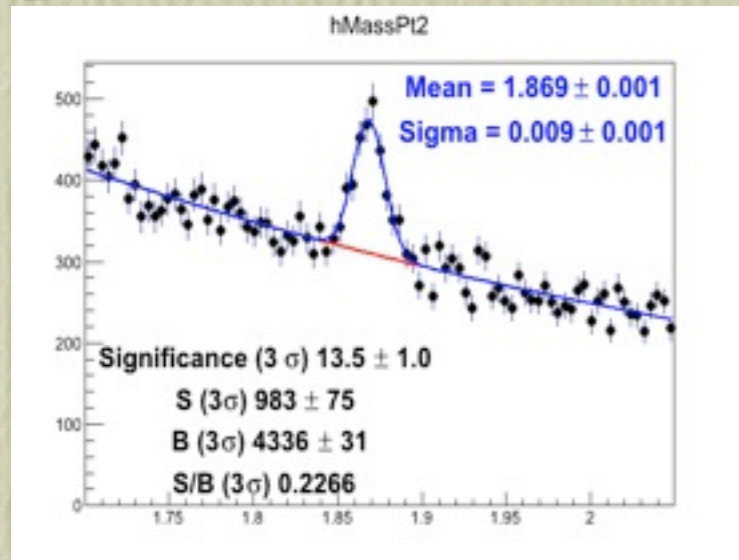
In data

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✓ $6 < D^+ \text{ pt (GeV/c)} < 8$

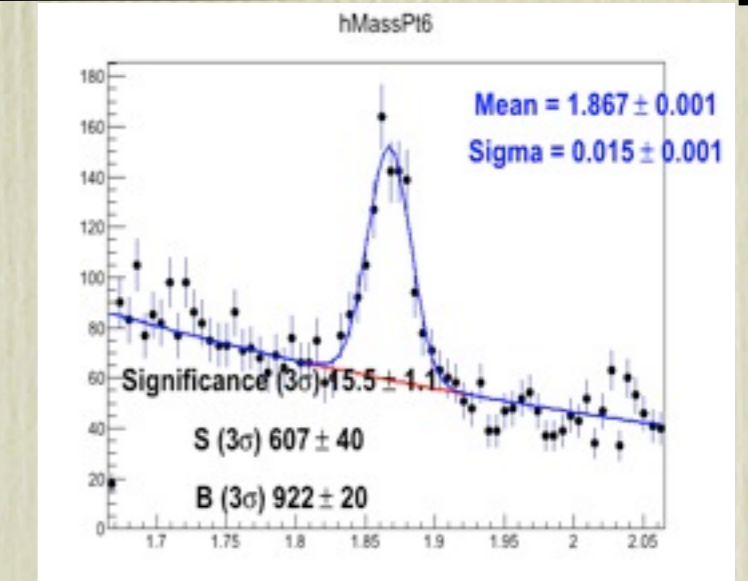
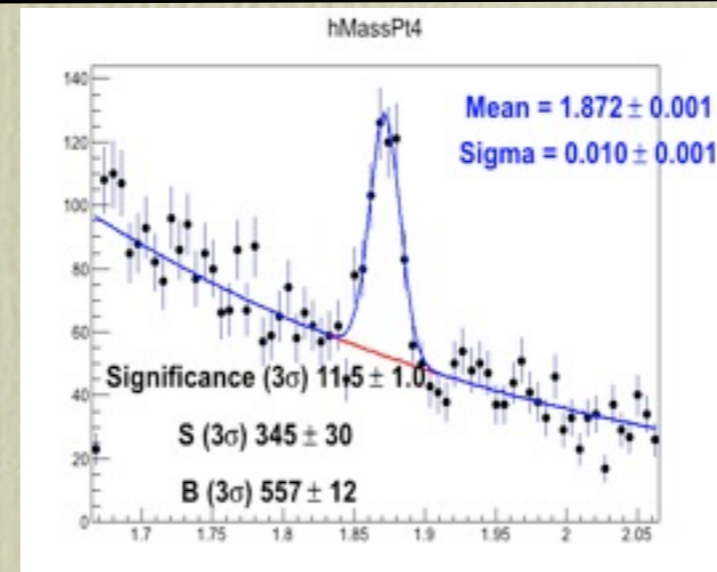
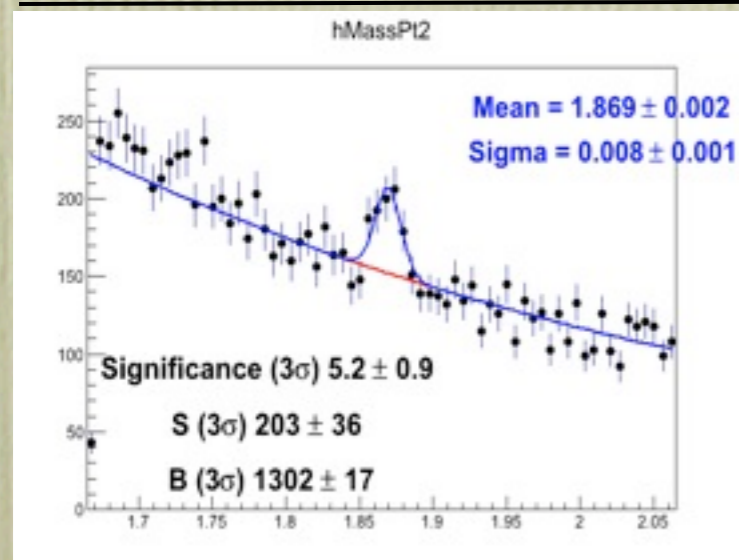
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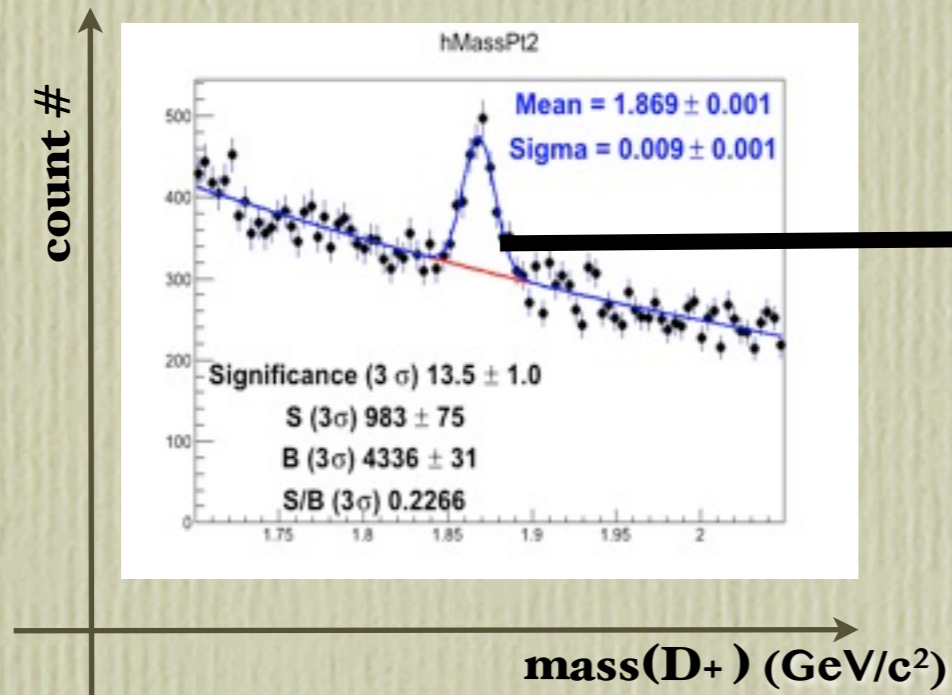


$mass(D^+) (GeV/c^2)$

In MC Production



need of correlation study



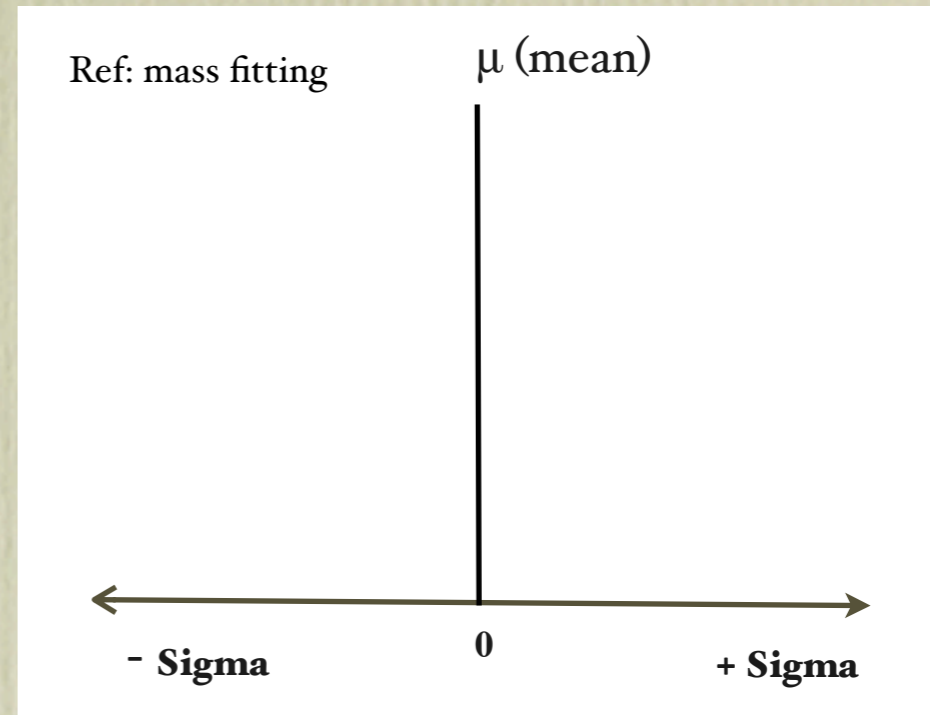
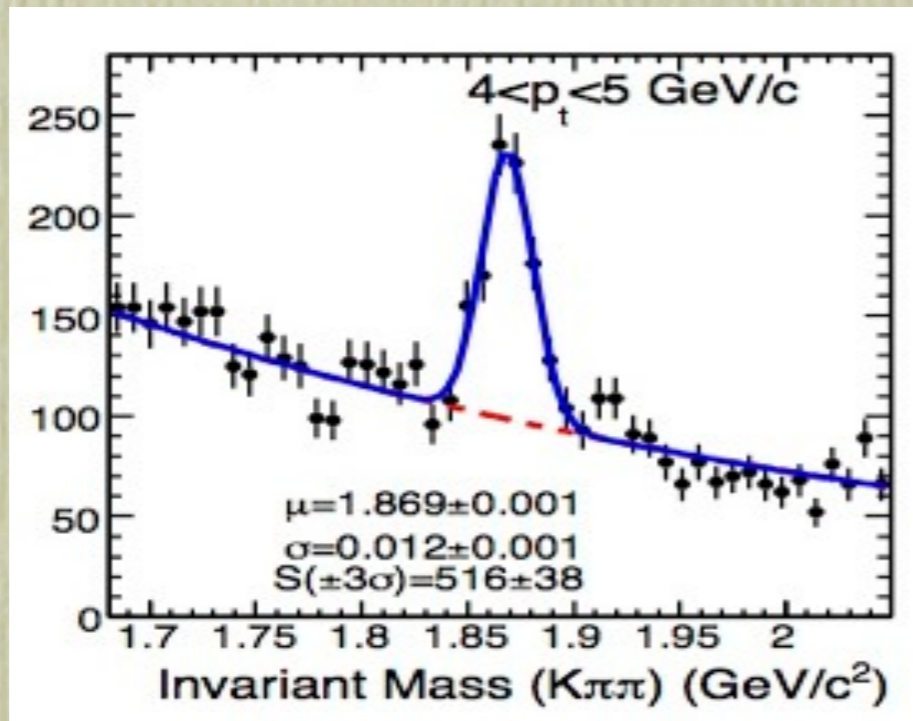
ϕ_1 of D+ Candidates
 ϕ_2 of **Selected** Hadron

$\Delta\phi$

Corrected by

- SB Technique
- Mixed Event

Estimation of Side Band and Bkg Subtraction:

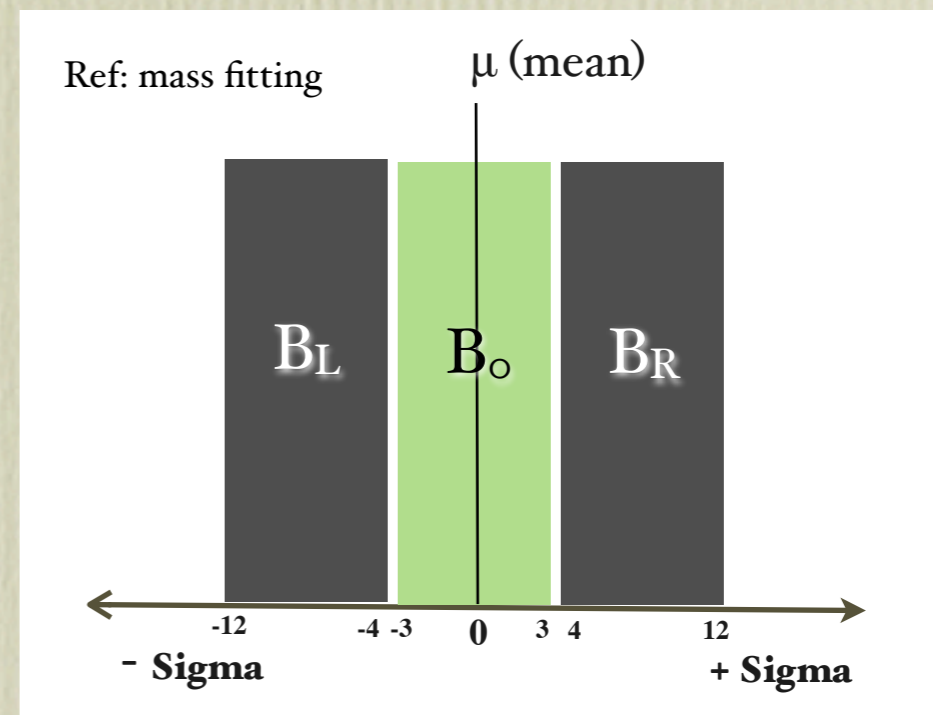


Subtraction of B_0 from signal

Side band technique

$$WB_L + WB_R \sim B_0 (\pm 3\sigma)$$

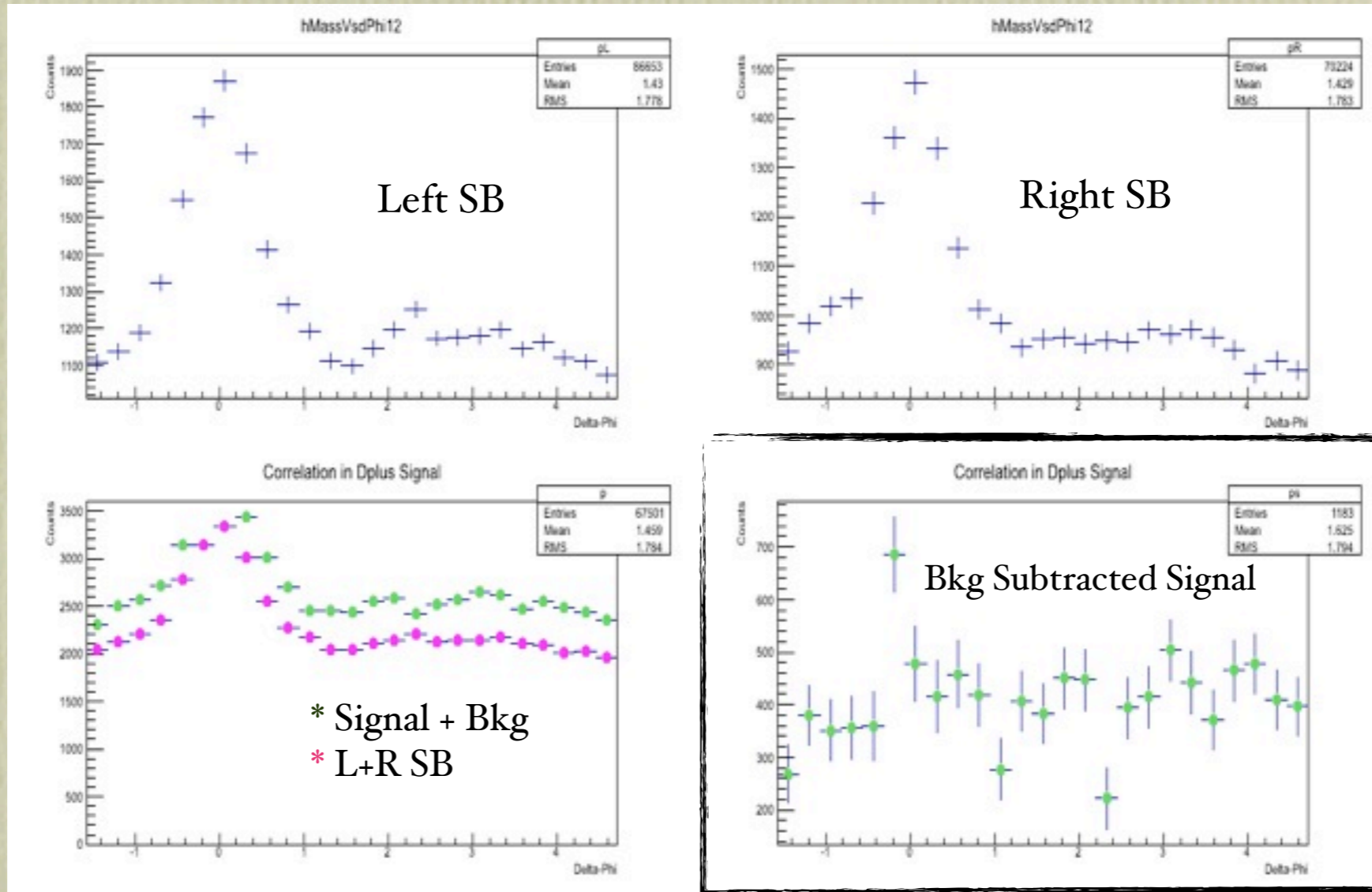
$$W = B_0 / (B_L + B_R)$$



Azimuthal - Correlation in D⁺ - Hadron: [Data]

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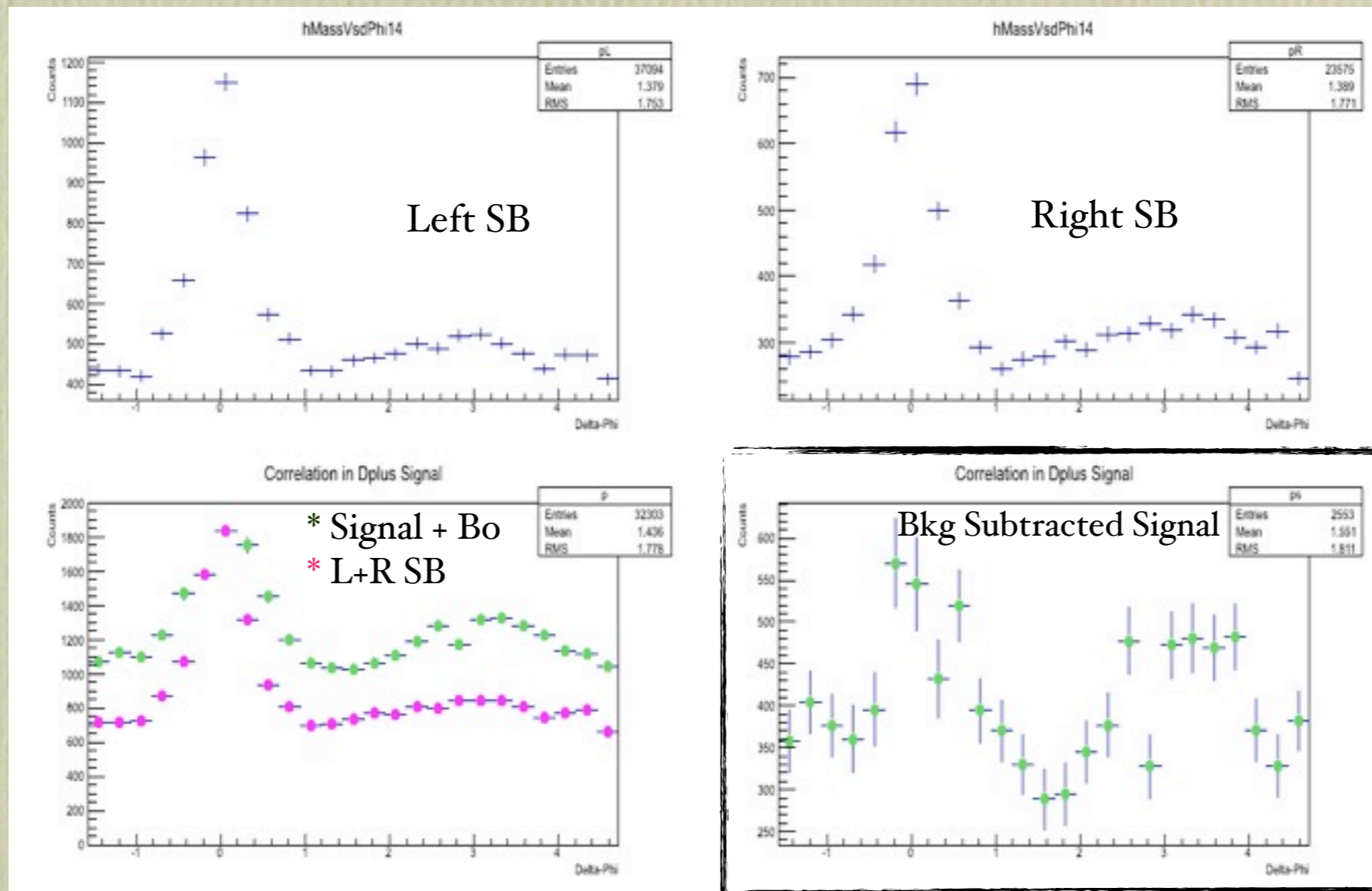
Hadron pt > 0.3 GeV/c



Azimuthal - Correlation in D^+ - Hadron: [Data]

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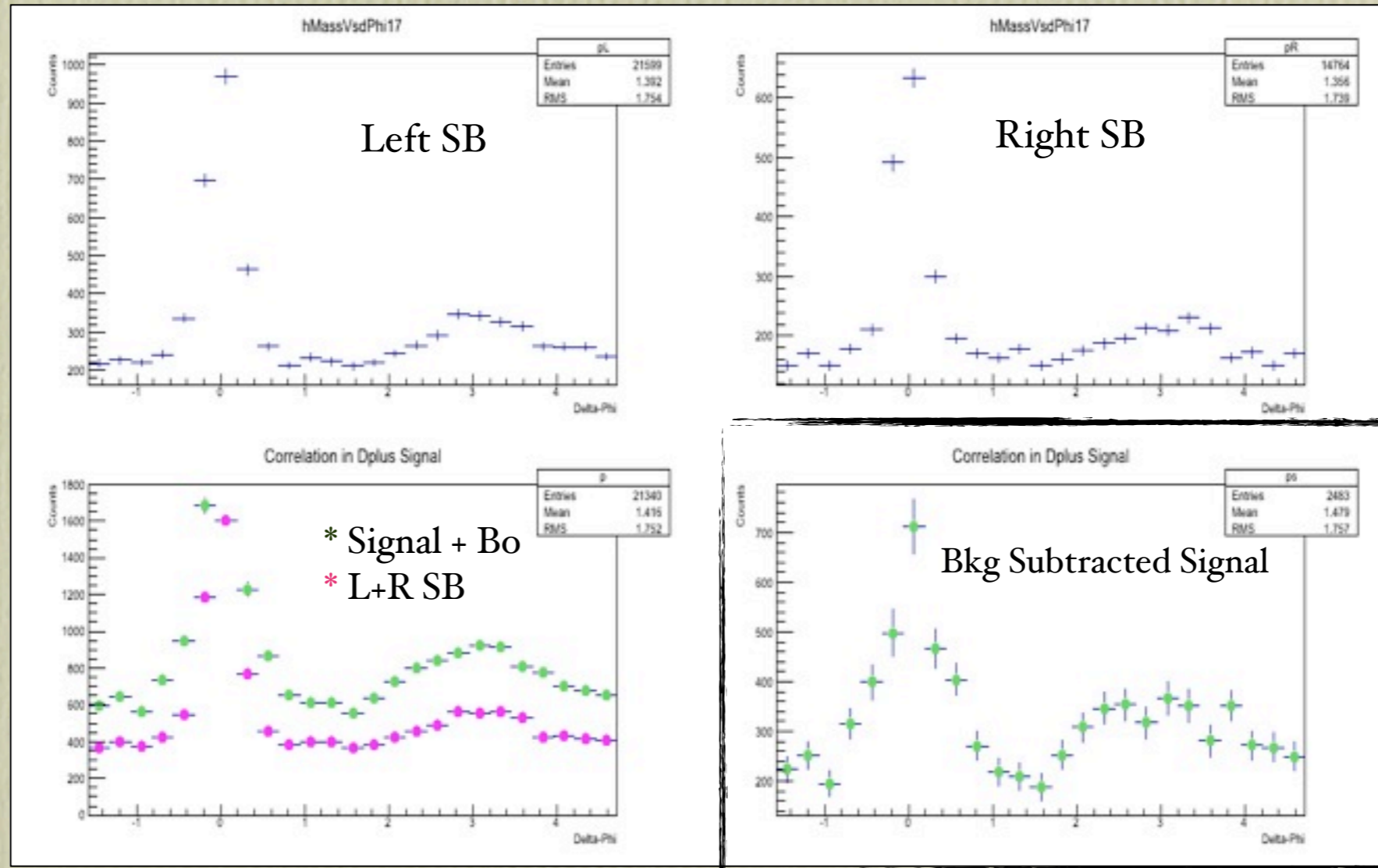
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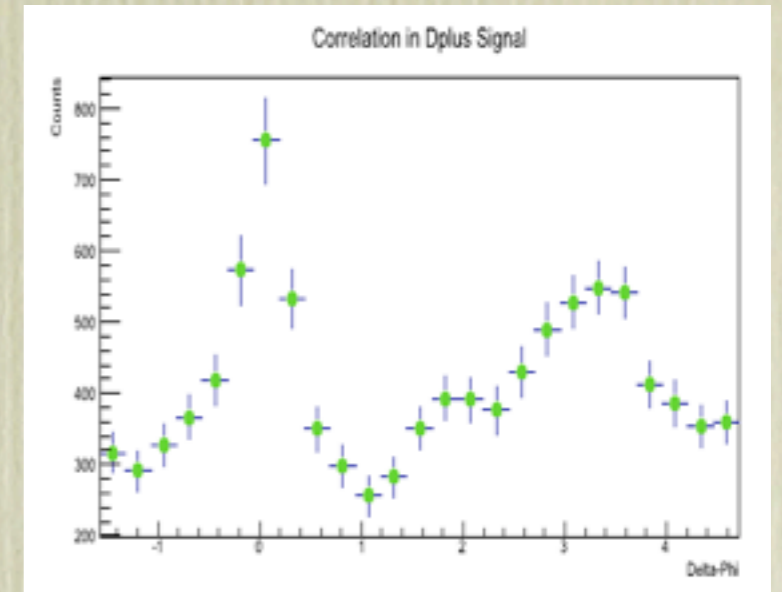
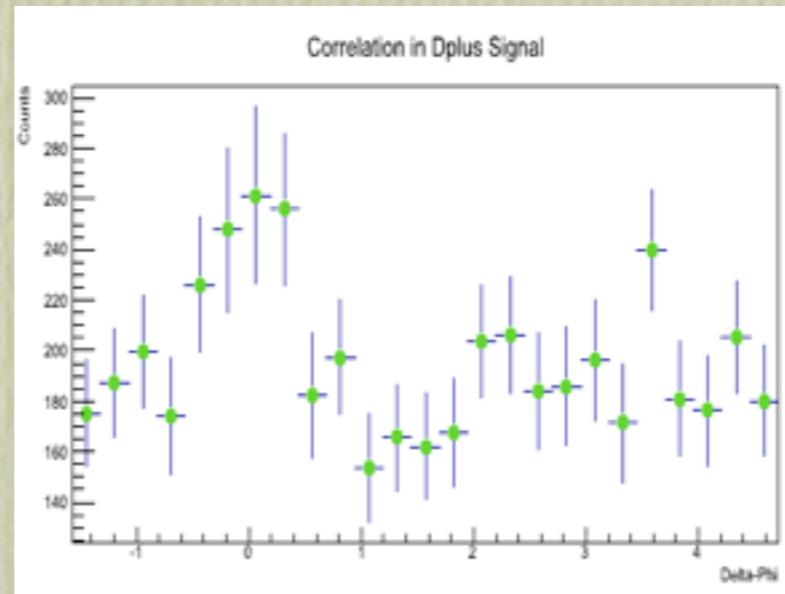
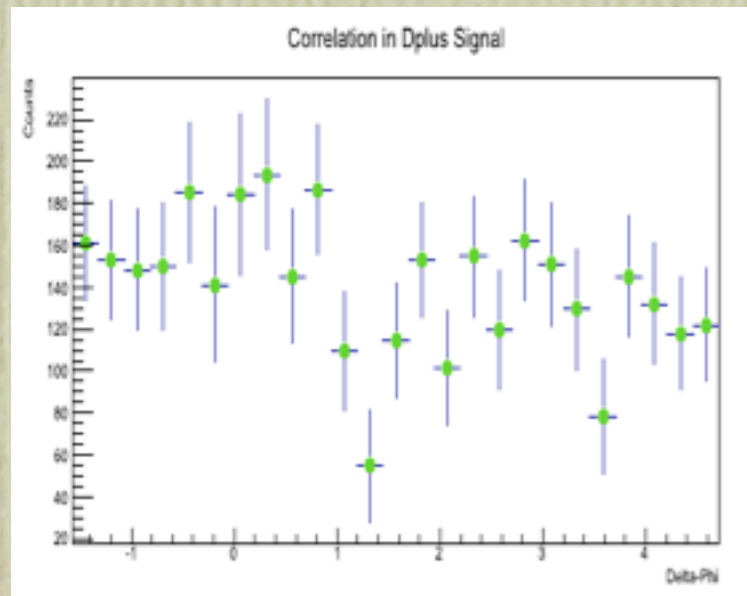
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Hadron pt > 0.5

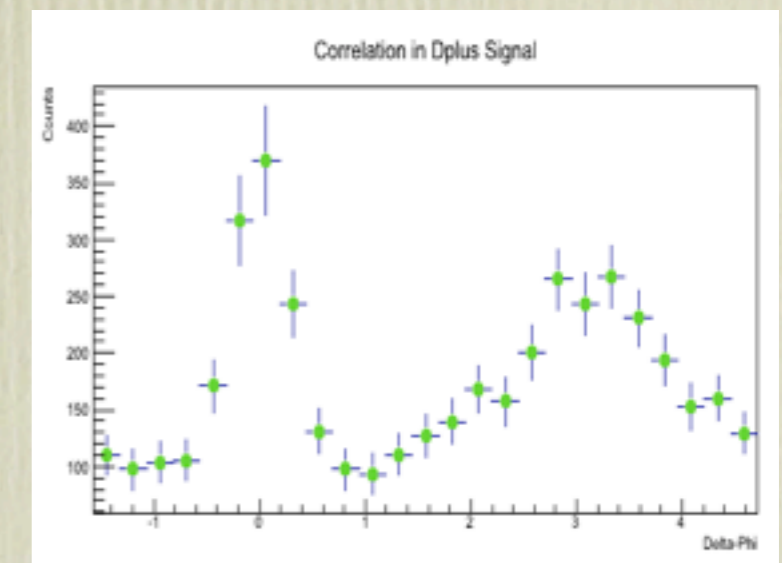
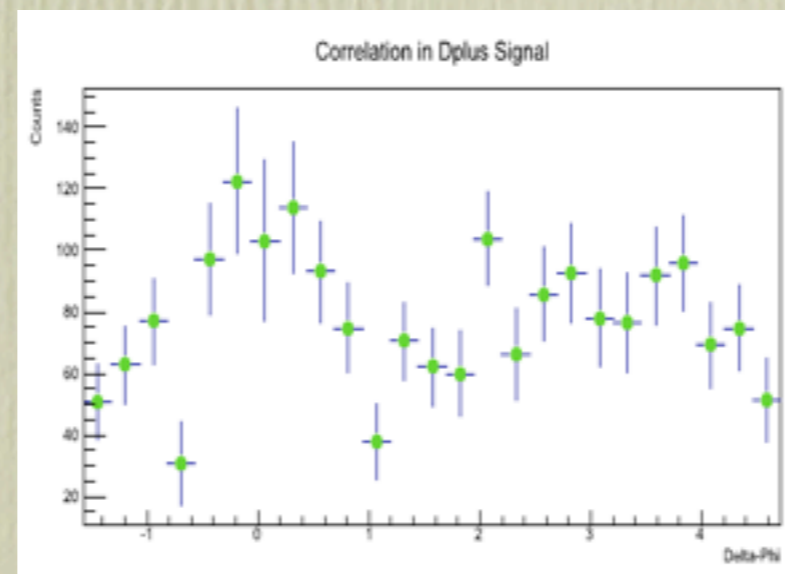
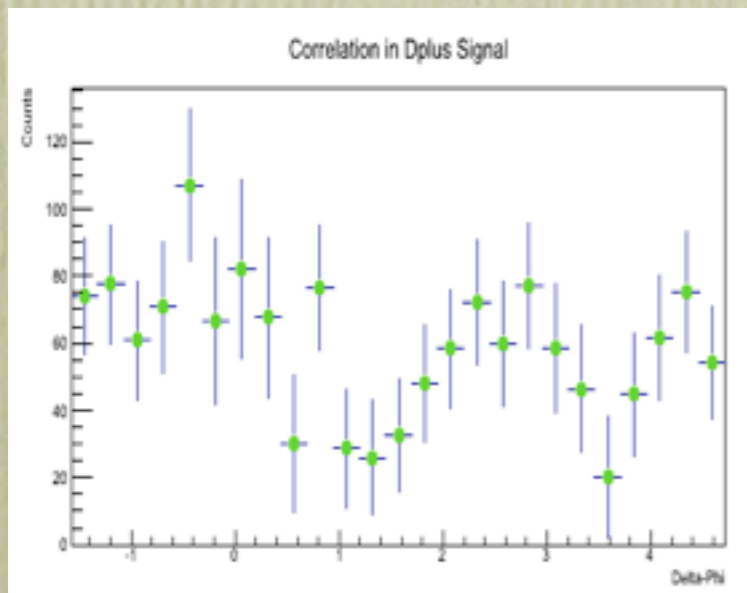
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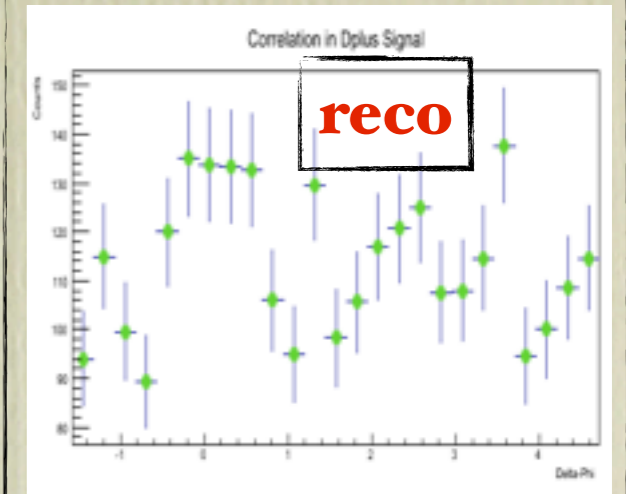
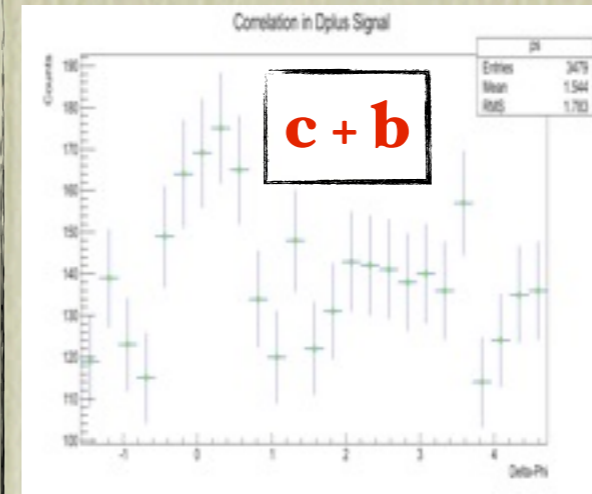
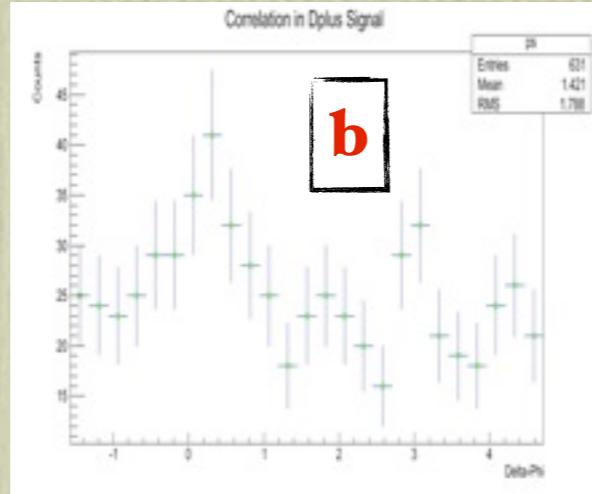
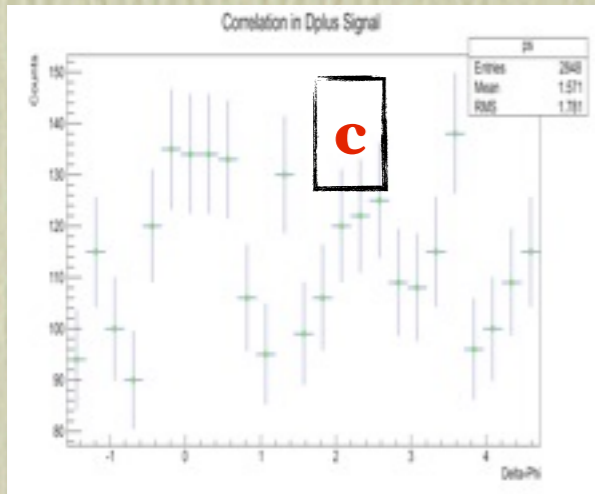
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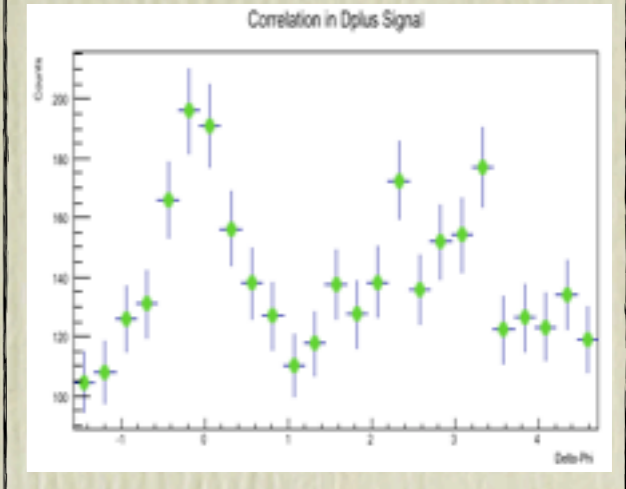
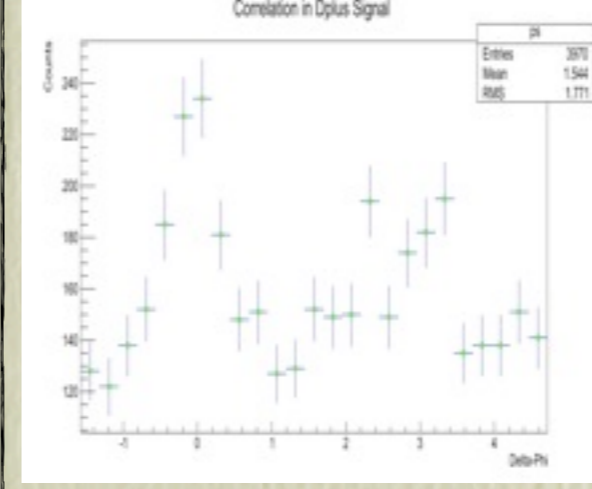
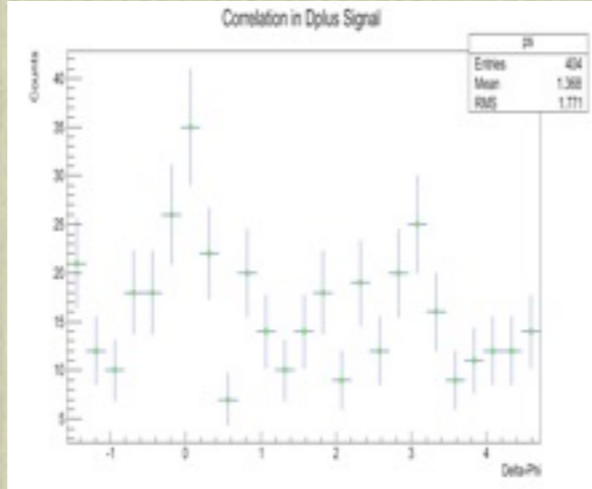
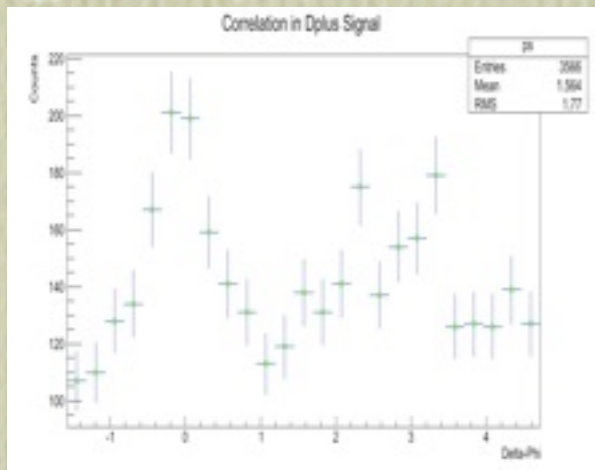
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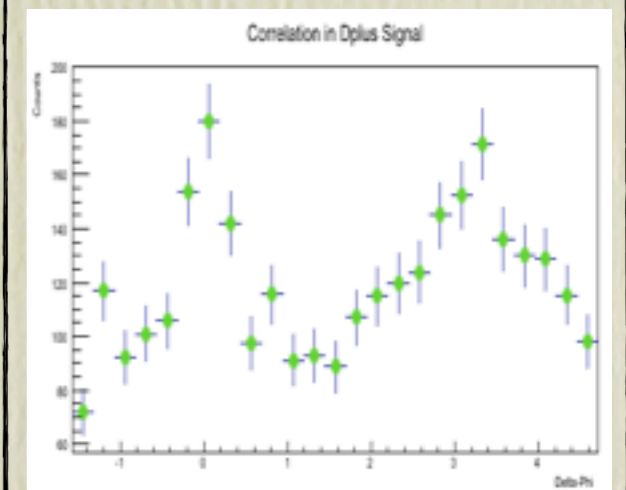
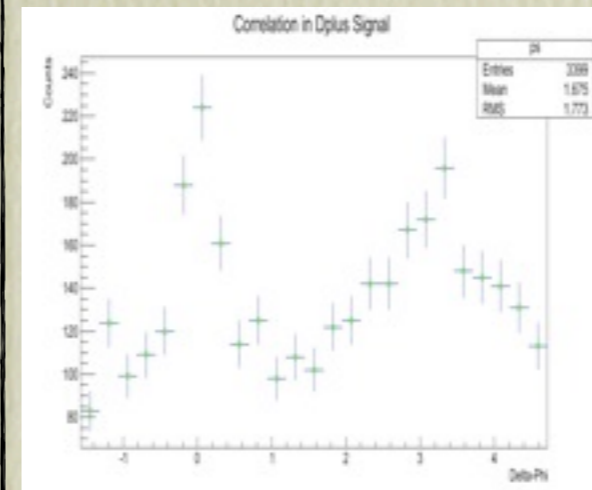
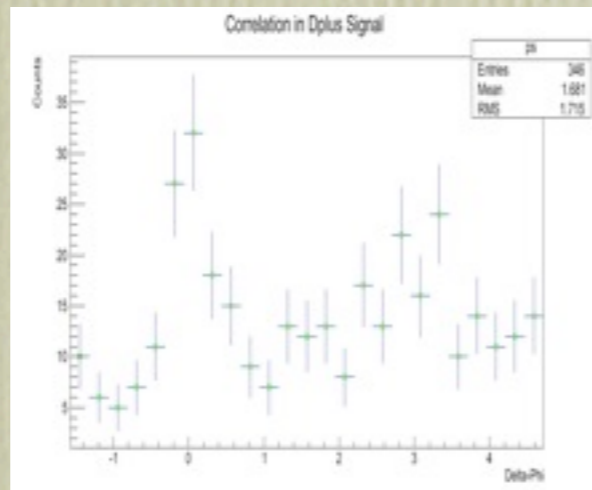
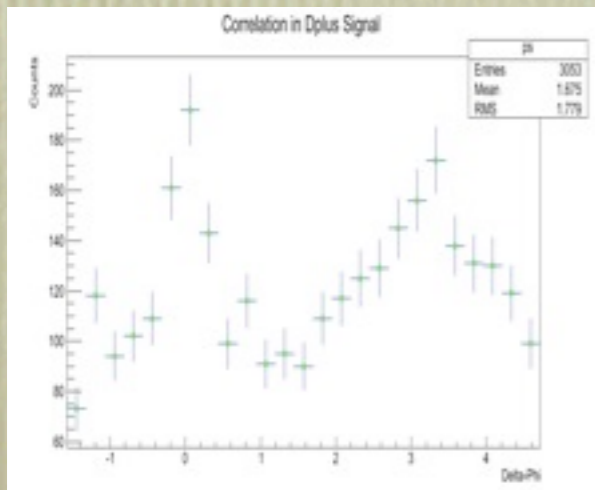
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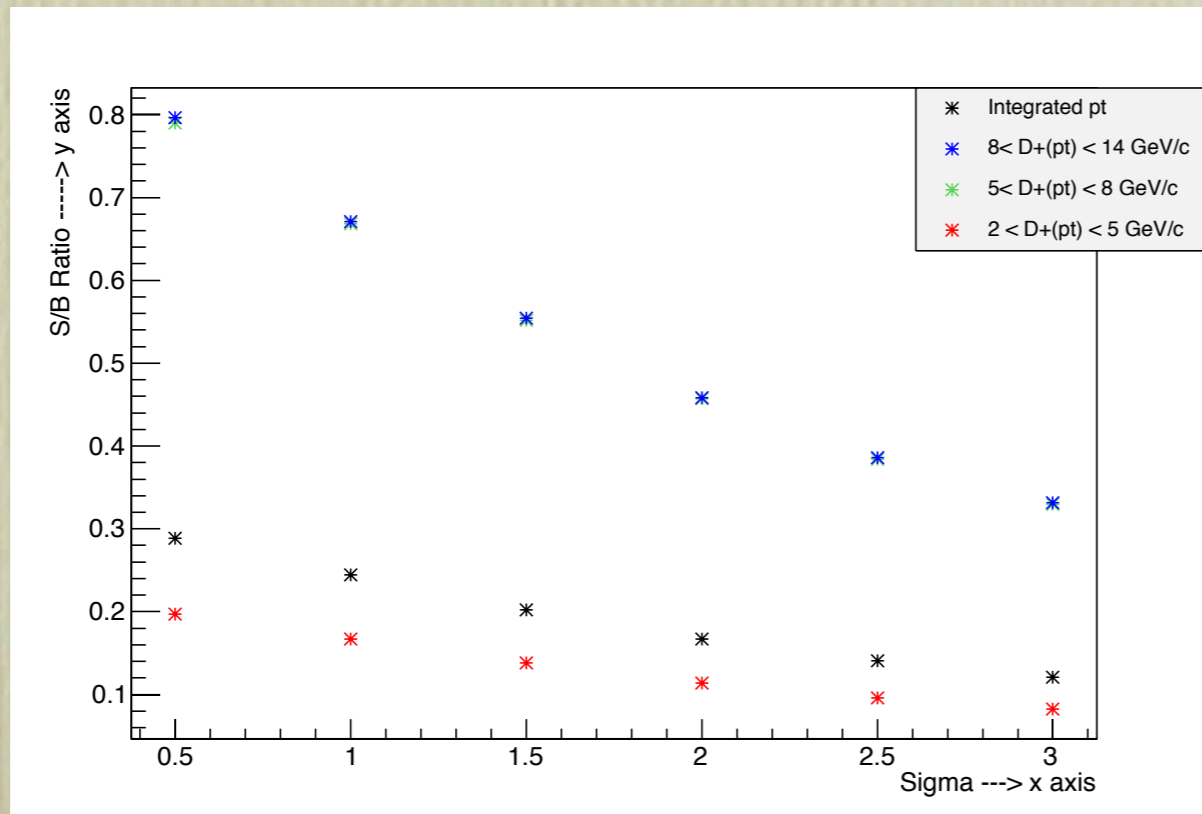
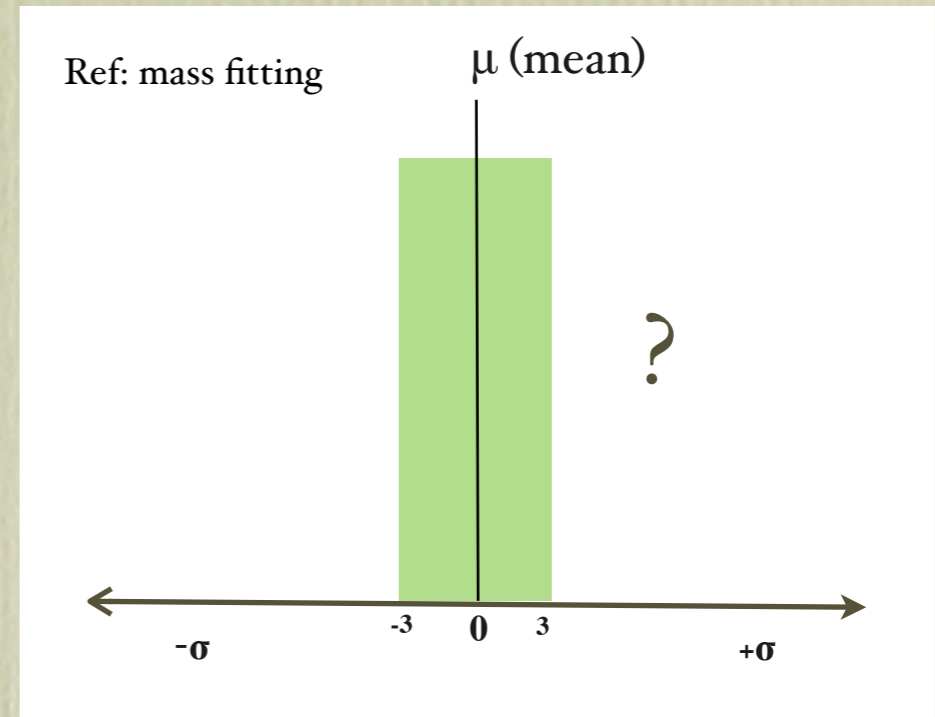
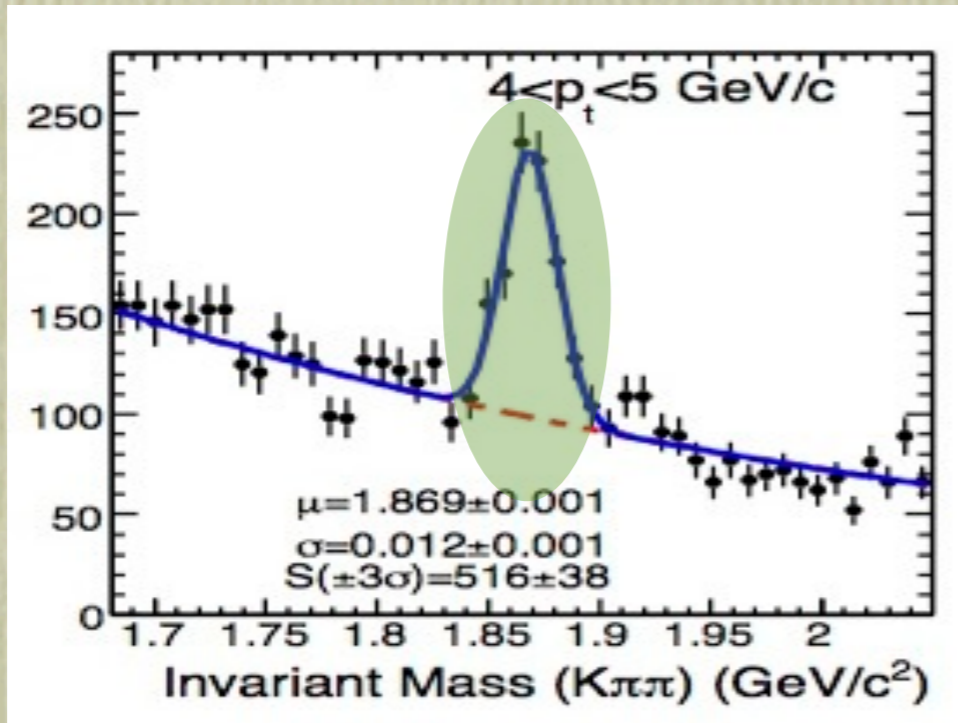
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Search for appropriate σ



(S/B) Ratio Vs # of σ

Validity of Side Band Subtraction ■

CHECK1: Shapes of correlation in S+B and B region

CHECK2: Correlation shapes in both side band background

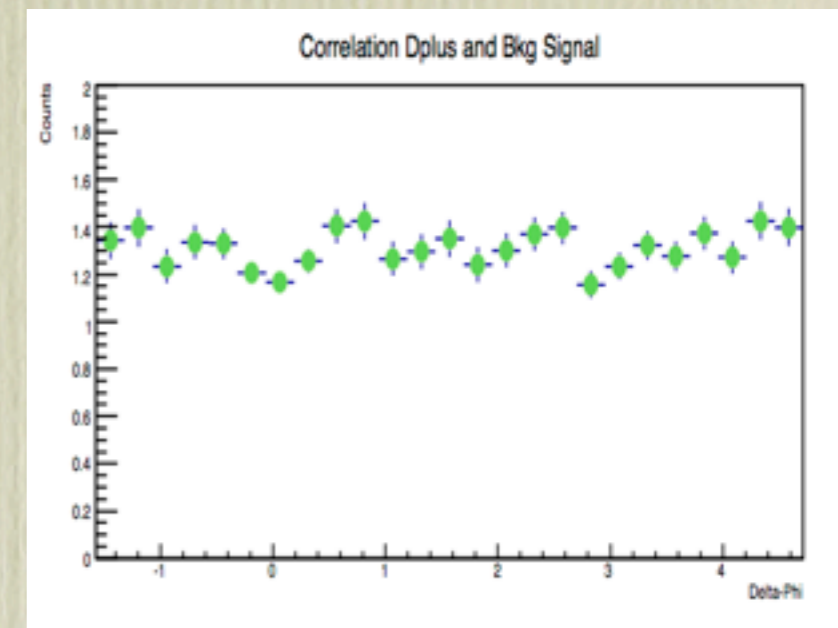
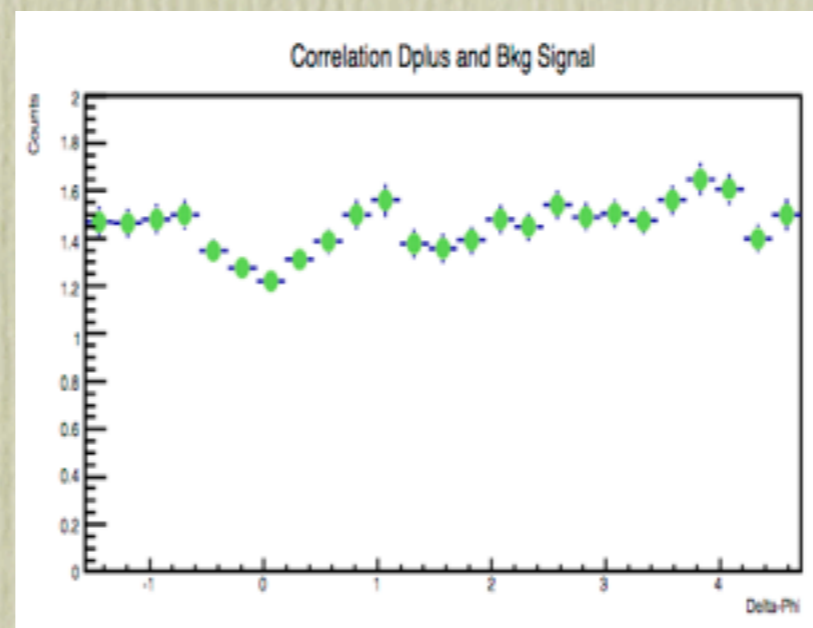
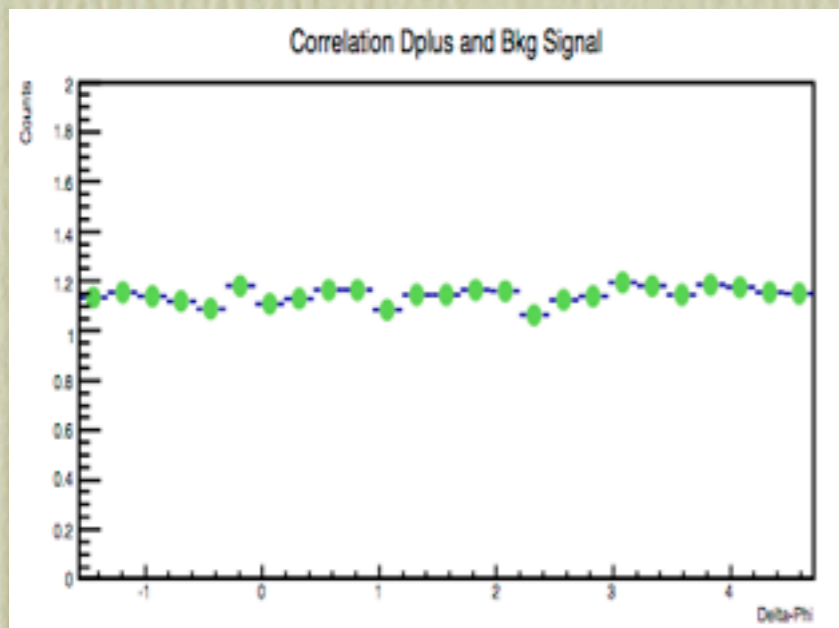
CHECK3: Signal Ratio of (Tagged/Reco) Correlation

Shape of correlation in S+B and B Region (signal+B₀)/(B_L+B_R)

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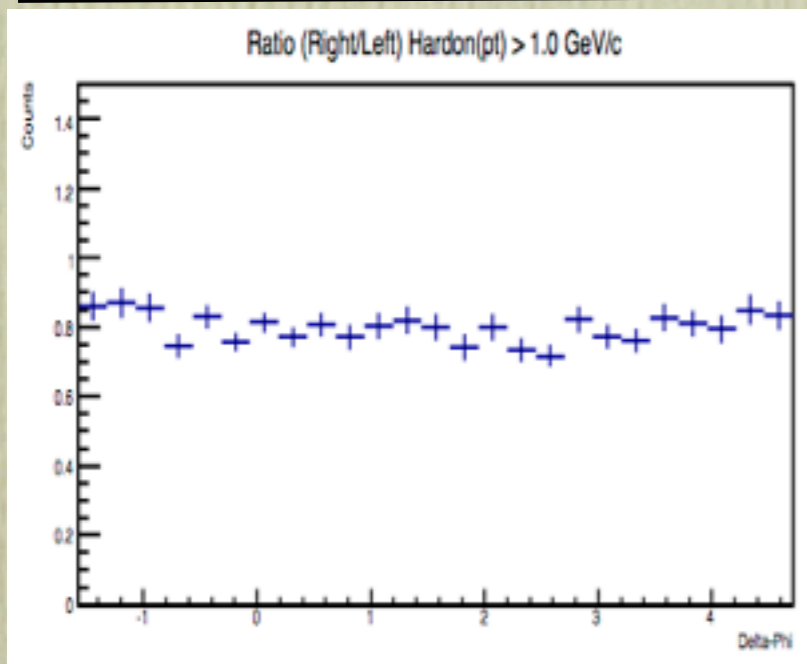
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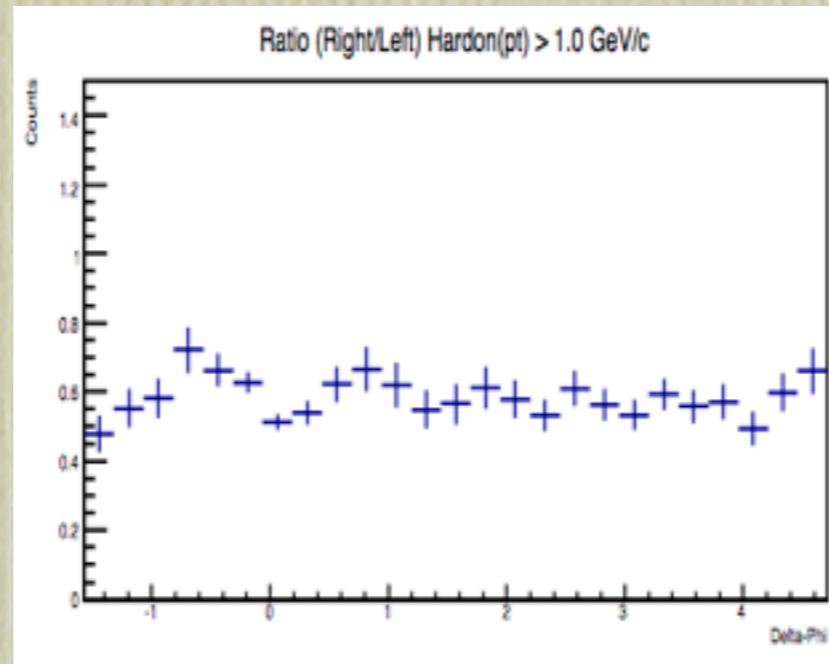


Correlation shape in side bands (B_L/B_R)

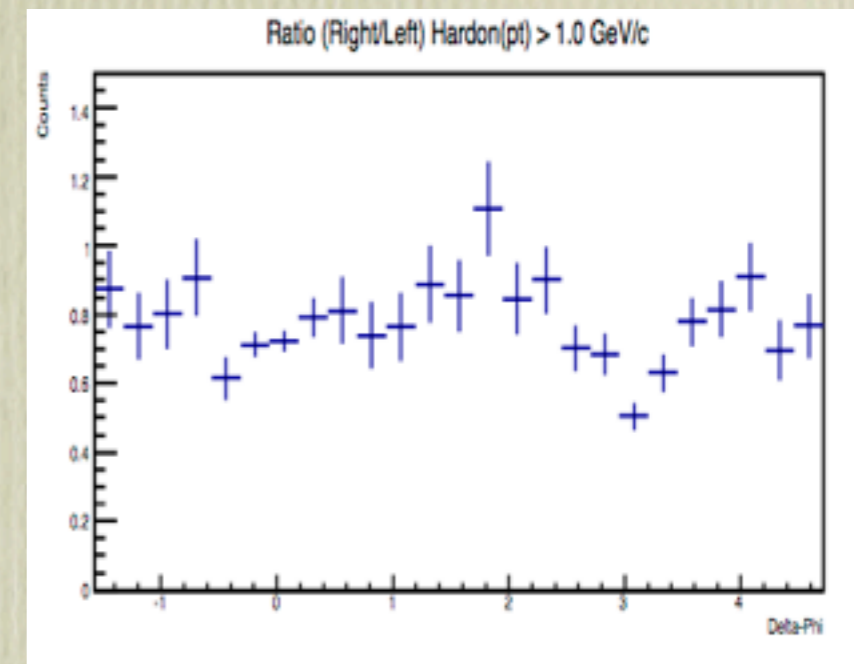
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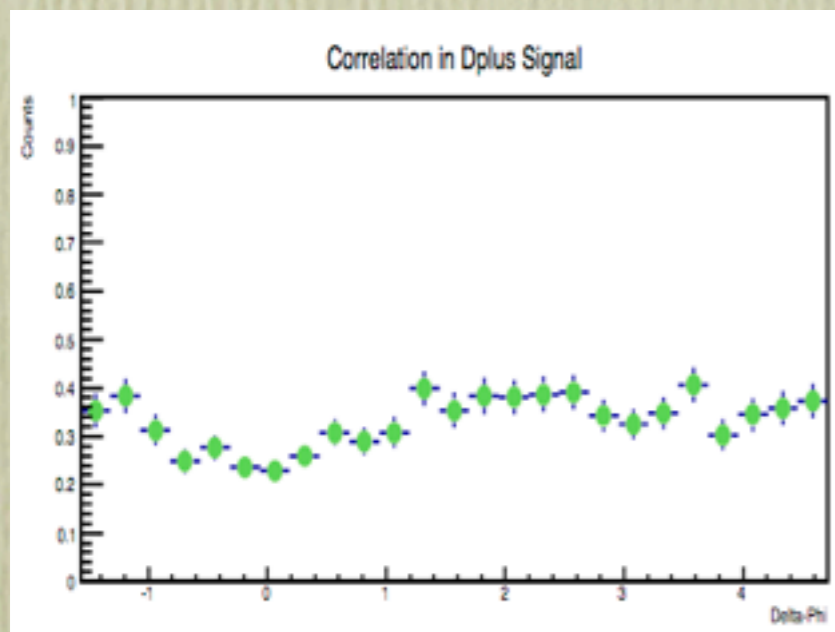


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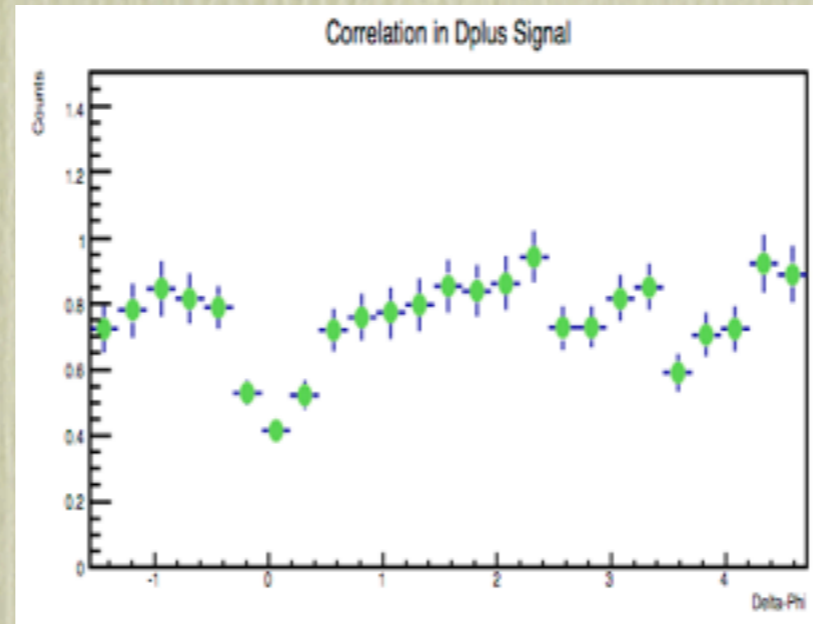


Signal Ratio of (Tagged/Rec) MC Correlation

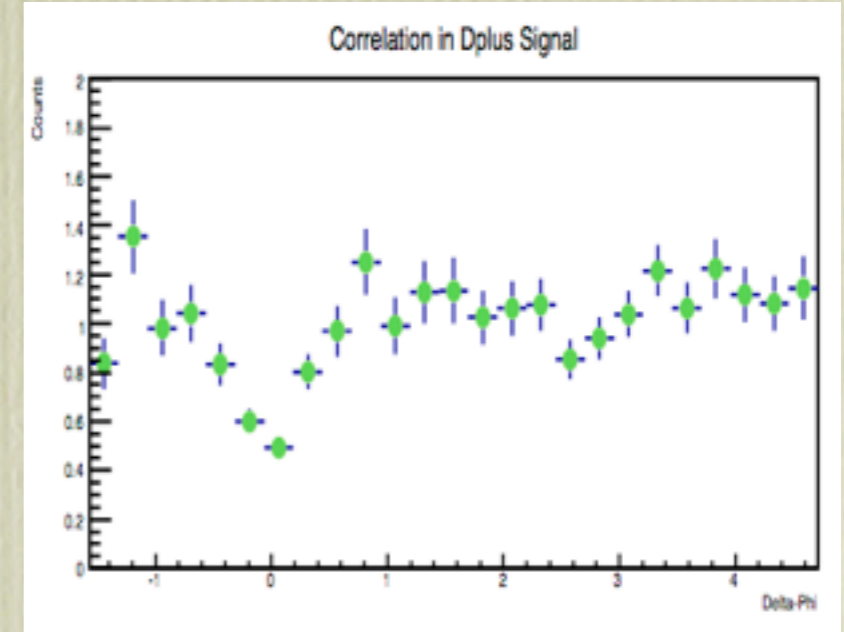
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More on D+ Hadron Correlation



- Single track efficiency correction framework ready (need to apply on this analysis -> Next Check)
- Also D Meson efficiency (Next Check)
- Mixed Event Technique is also applied (not shown in ppt)
- Study of the correlations in MC vs the production process is ongoing.

Summary: ■

- ☑ D+ Invariant mass distribution nicely observed.
- ☑ Side band technique for background subtraction is performed.
- ☑ Check on validity of SB Technique have good agreement.
- ☑ Ingredients for correction is also ready.

Thanks: