# Measurements of $K^{*0}$ production in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

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- Transverse Momentum Spectrum
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# Introduction

- Resonances are short lived particles with a lifetime of the order of 10<sup>-23</sup> sec.
- They are used to understand the particle production mechanism.
- **Properties of** :  $K^{*0}$

Mass = 896 MeV/c<sup>2</sup>

Spin = 1

Quark content :

 $K^{*0}$   $(d\bar{s}), \bar{K}^{*0}$   $(s\bar{d})$ 

 $\checkmark$  Different resonance particles produced in heavy ion collision.

Resonances	Width $(\Gamma)$ $(MeV/c^2)$	$\begin{array}{c} \textit{Mean lifetime}(\tau) \\ (\textit{fm/c}) \end{array}$	Dominant Decay modes
$\begin{array}{c} \rho^{0}(770) \\ \Delta^{^{++}}(1232) \end{array}$	150.7	1.30	ππ/μμ
	117.0	1.67	pπ/πn
K <sup>*0</sup> (896)	48.7	4.20	$\pi K$
$\Sigma(1385) \ \Lambda(1520) \ \Xi^*(1530) \ \omega(782) \ \varphi(1020)$	33.0	5.52	Λπ
	15.2	12.6	pπ
	9.00	21.6	Ξπ
	8.49	23.2	πππ/πγ
	4.26	46.5	K K

✓ Study of resonance (lifetime from 1fm/c to 45fm/c) production gives us time evolution of medium properties.

#### In pp Collisions :

- Used as a reference to understand the results from heavy ion collisions
- Used to test the perturbative QCD calculations.

#### Data set

#### Data Set used

**p+p:** 13 TeV

Period : LHC15f

Trigger: MinBias (kMB)

Data Type : ESD

No. of Events :  $\sim$  59.5 M

**Run No. :** (56 runs)

225000, 225011, 225016, 225026, 225031, 225035, 225037, 225041, 225043, 225050, 225051, 225052, 225106, 225305, 225307, 225309, 225310, 225313, 225314, 225315, 225322, 225576, 225578, 225579, 225580, 225582, 225586, 225587, 225705, 225707, 225708, 225709, 225710, 225716, 225717, 225719, 225753, 225757, 225762, 225763, 225766, 225768, 226062, 226170, 226220, 226225, 226444, 226445, 226452, 226466, 226468, 226472, 226476, 226483, 226495, 226500

#### MC Data Set used

**p+p:** 13 TeV

**Period :** LHC15g3a3

**Trigger :** MinBias (kMB)

Data Type : ESD

### **Analysis cuts**

#### **Event Selection**

-- Event must have a primary vertex located within |z| < 10 cm

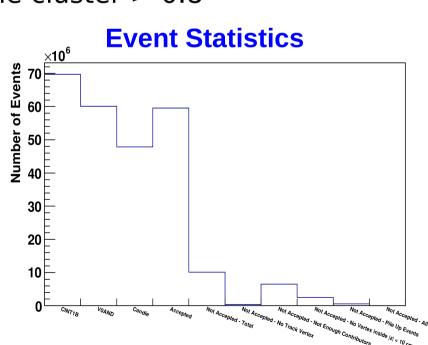
**Tracks Selection :** Standard ITS TPC track cuts 2011

- ✓ |η| < 0.8</li>
- ✓  $|DCA_z| < 2.0 \text{ cm}$
- $\checkmark$  |DCA<sub>XY</sub>| < 7\*(0.0015+(0.005/P<sub>T</sub><sup>1.1</sup>))
- $\checkmark$  Number of crossed rows in TPC > 70
- ✓ Ratio of crossed rows over findable cluster > 0.8
- ✓  $\chi^2$ /TPC cluster < 4.0
- ✓  $\chi^2$ /ITS cluster < 36.0
- $\checkmark p_{_{
  m T}} > 0.15 \text{ GeV/c}$
- |Pair Rapidity| < 0.5

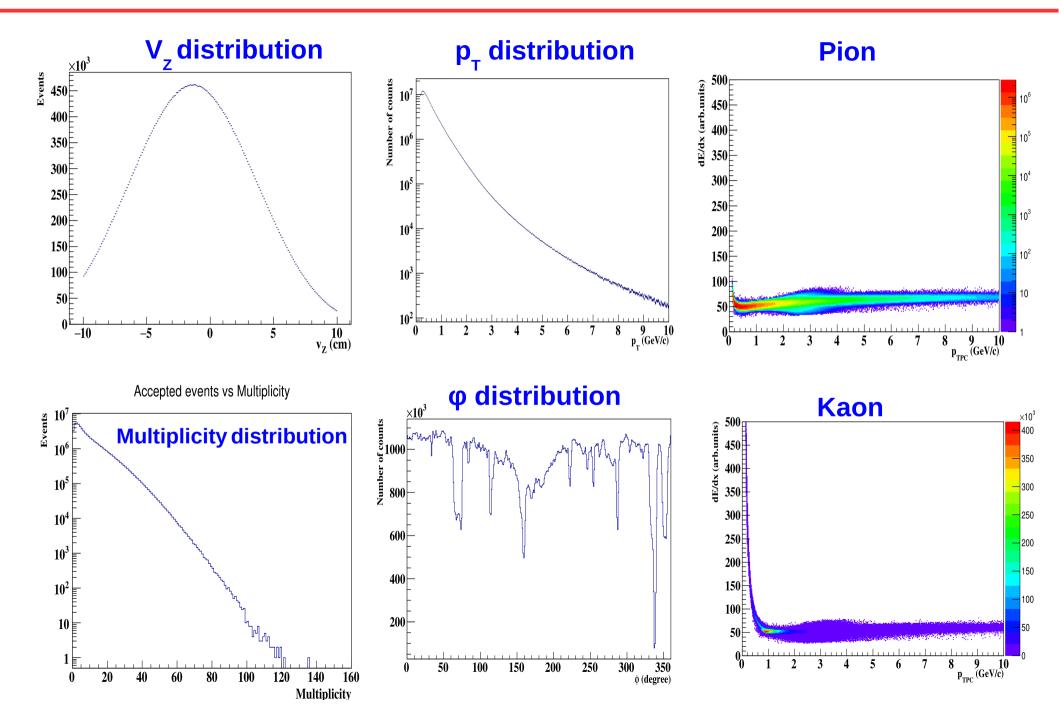
#### PID Selection for Pions and Kaons

• TPC and TOF as VETO

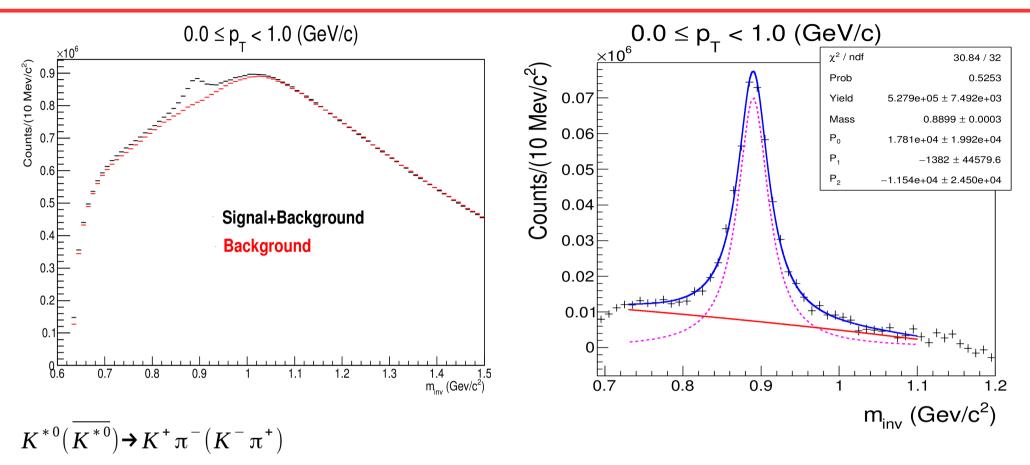




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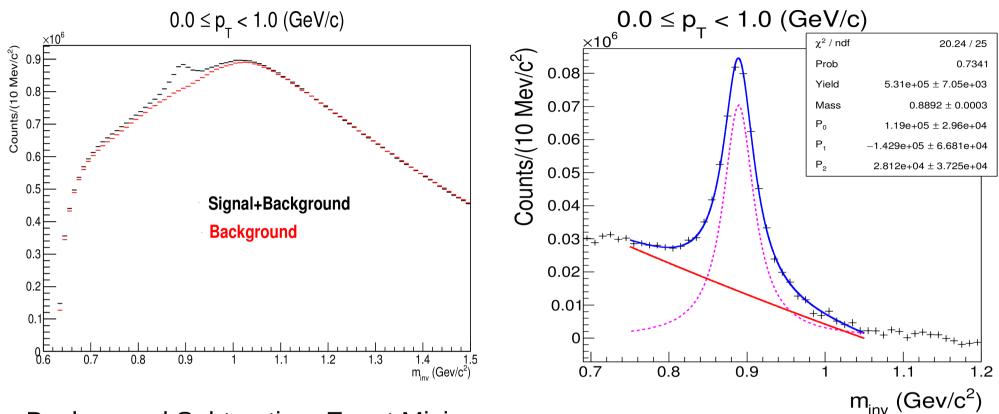


## **Invariant Mass Distribution : LS Method**



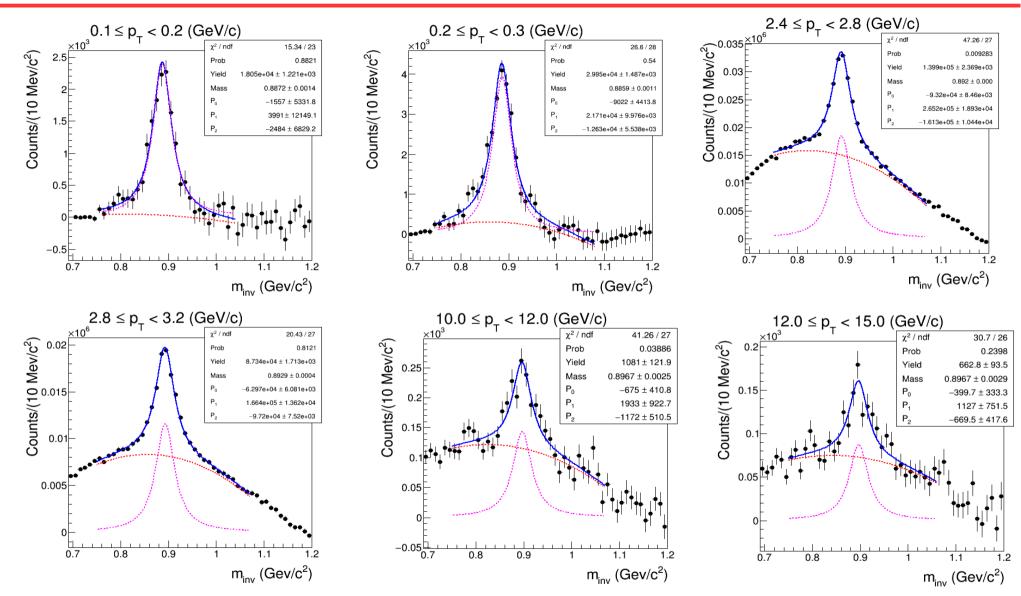
- Invariant mass of Unlike sign pair, such as (K<sup>+</sup> π<sup>-</sup>) in an event is used to reconstruct signal for K<sup>\*0</sup>
- Invariant mass of Like sign (+ +, -) pairs are used to construct the combinatorial background.
- ✓ Background Subtraction : Like Sign Normalization :  $2\sqrt{(N + +)} \times (N -)$
- Fit Function : Breit-Wigner for Signal + Pol2 for Residual Background
- Fitting Range :  $0.73 1.1 \text{ GeV/c}^2$

# **Invariant Mass Distribution : EM Method**



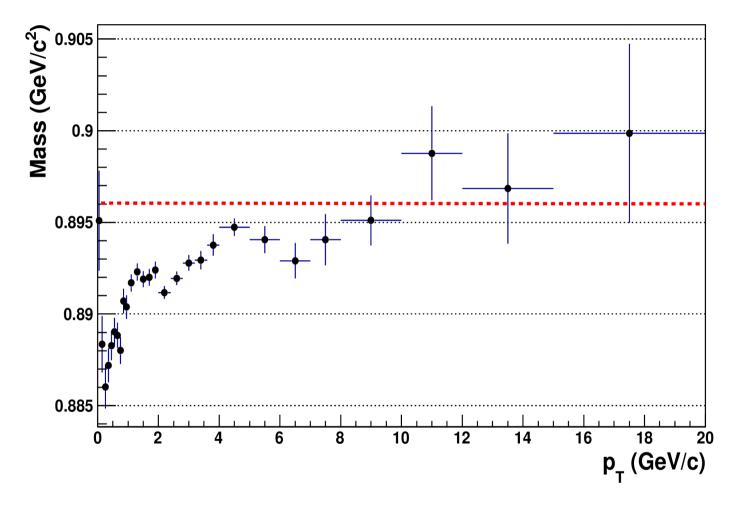
- Background Subtraction: Event Mixing
- $\pi^{+-}(K^{+-})$ from one event mixed with  $K^{-+}(\pi^{-+})$ from another event. Events of similar multiplicity bin and vertex bin are mixed.
- Number of events mixed : 5
  Multiplicity difference : 5
- ► z-Vertex difference : 1 cm
- ✓ Normalization Range : 1.10 1.30 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Fit Function : Breit-Wigner for Signal + Pol2 for Residual Background
- ✓ Fitting Range : 0.75 1.05 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

### **Invariant Mass Distributions**



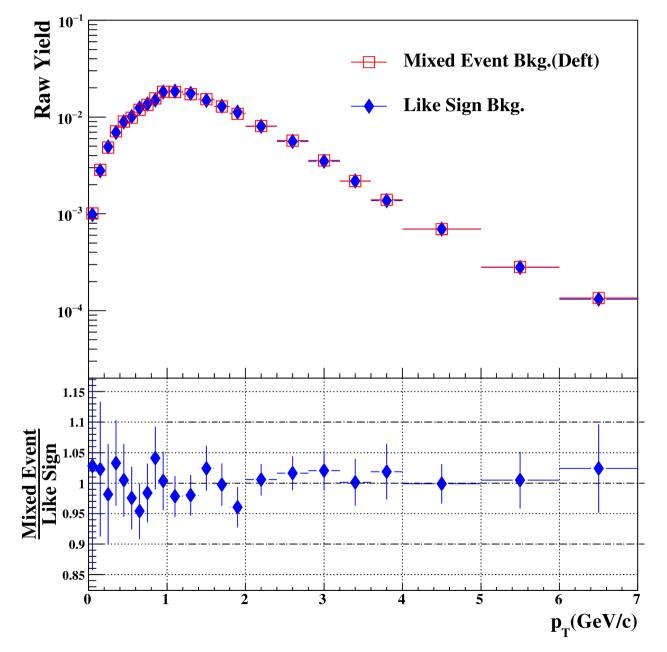
- Background Subtraction: Event Mixing
- ✓ Normalization Range : 1.10 1.30 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- ✓ Fitting Range : 0.75 1.07 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Width fixed to PDG value

# Mass vs $p_{T}$



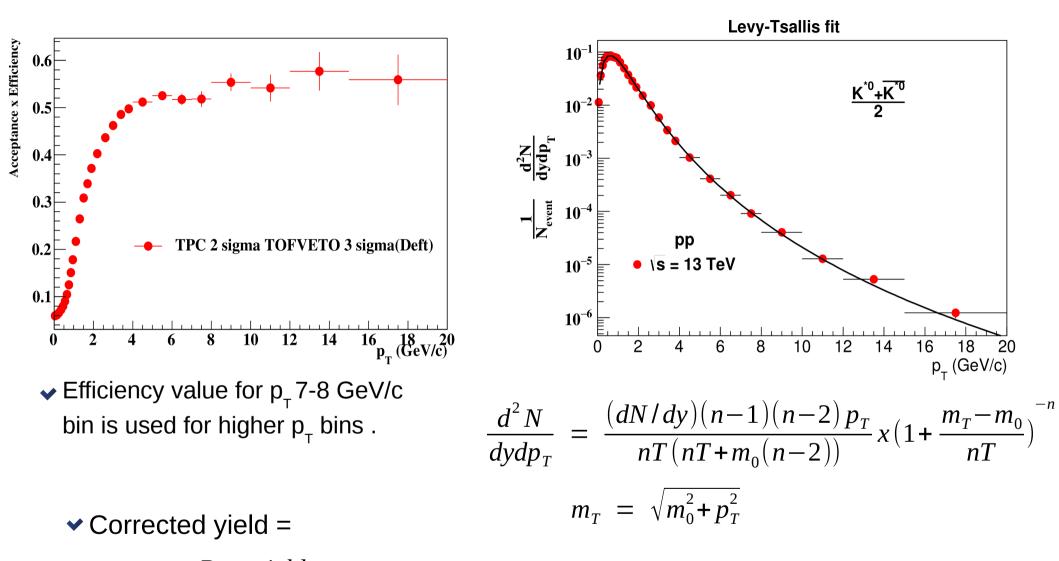
Red line signifies PDG value

### **Raw Yield Extraction**



✓ Mixed event and like sign bkg. are consistent within uncertainties

#### **Corrected p<sub>+</sub> spectrum**



Raw yield BR x (Acceptance x Efficiency)

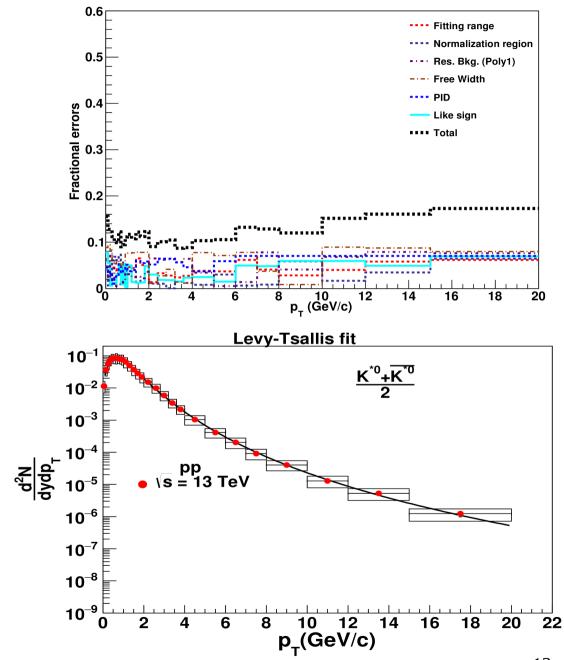
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n	7.386 ± 0.091	
Т	$0.321 \pm 0.003$	
dN/dy	$0.1233 \pm 0.0009$	12

#### **Systematic uncertainties**

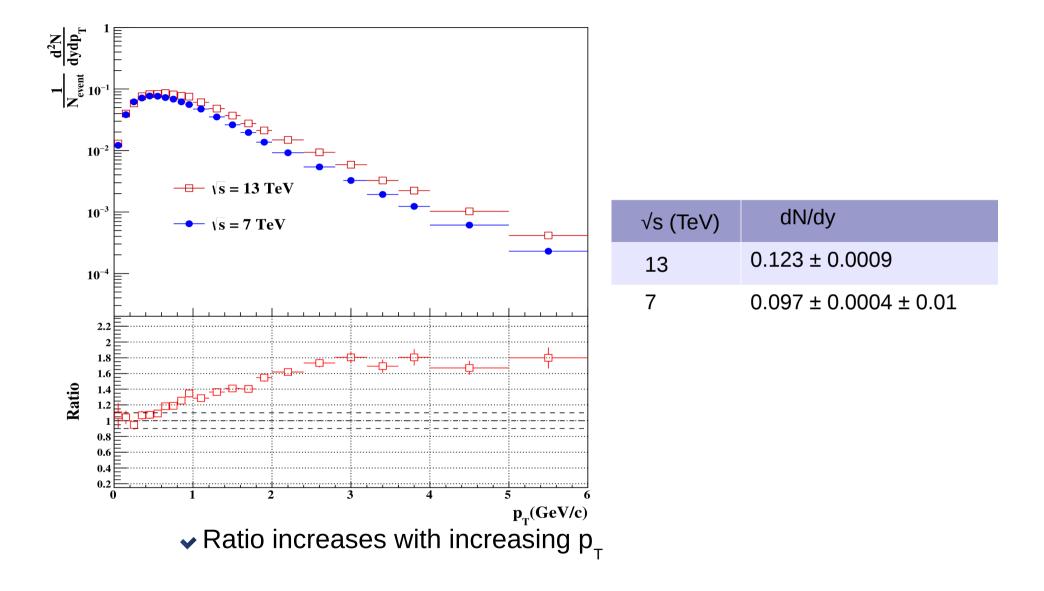
#### List of systematics check:

- -- Fitrange variation [0.75-1.07(Deft), 0.8-1.0,0.73-1.12, 0.77-1.09]
- -- Normalization variation [1.1-1.3(Deft), 0.7-0.8, 1.3-1.5 1.1-1.5, 1.2-1.4]
- -- Fit Function Poly2 (Deft), Poly1, Poly3
- -- Fixed width (Deft) : Free width
- -- Mixed event(Deft), Like sign
- -- PID: TPC2σ TOF3σ veto (Deft), TPC2σ TOF4σ veto, TPC2σ

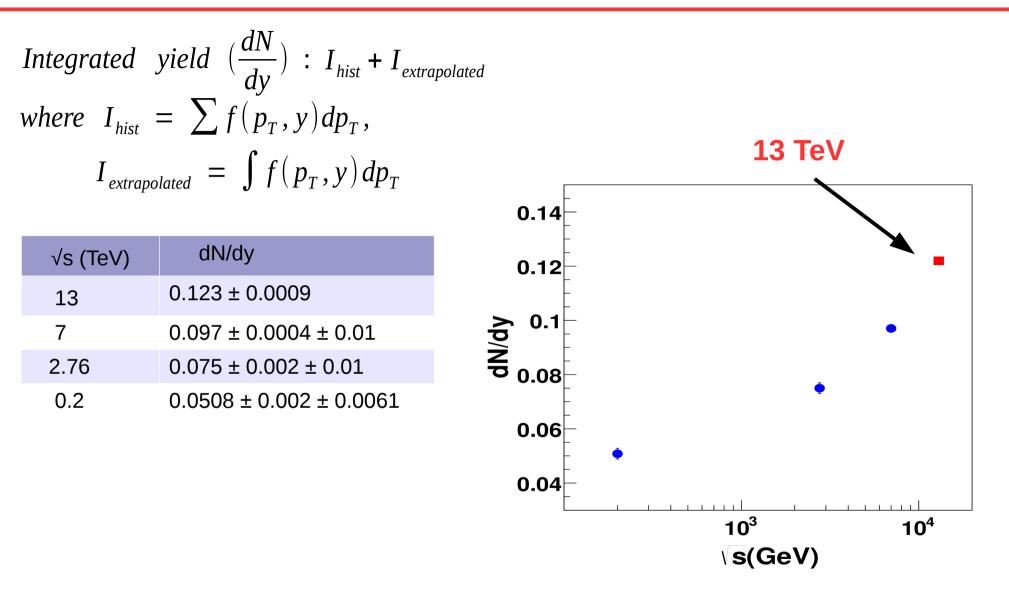


Total systematics is ~ 8-16%

### $p_{T}$ spectra comparison : 13 TeV Vs 7 TeV



# dN/dy

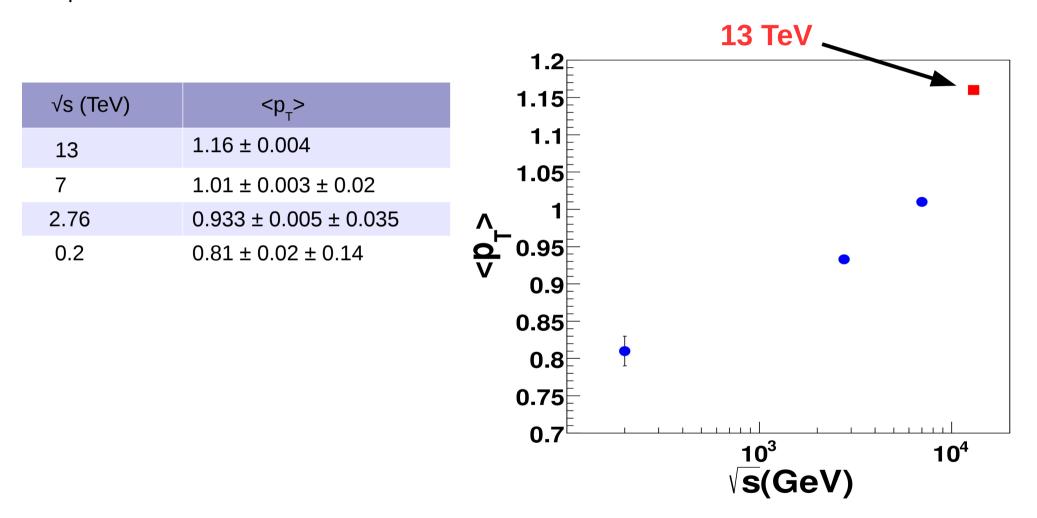


 $\checkmark$  Extrapolation is not used as data points are from p<sub>1</sub>0 to 20 GeV/c

### <p\_>

 $Mean transverse momentum( < p_T >) : (\sum p_T f(p_T, y) dp_T + \int f(p_T, y) p_T dp_T) / (I_{hist} + I_{extrapolated})$ 

•  $<p_{T}>$  of K<sup>\*0</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV is compared with other center of mass energies.



# Summary

- First measurement of K<sup>\*0</sup> production from  $p_{\tau} = 0$  to 20 GeV/c in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV is presented.
- The  $p_T$  spectrum, integrated yield and mean transverse momentum of K<sup>\*0</sup> are measured at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV.
- The  $p_{\tau}$  spectrum is well described by the Levy-Tsallis function.
- The measured dN/dy and  $< p_{T} > of K^{*0}$  at 13 TeV are increased by 27% and 15% comapre to  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV, respectively.

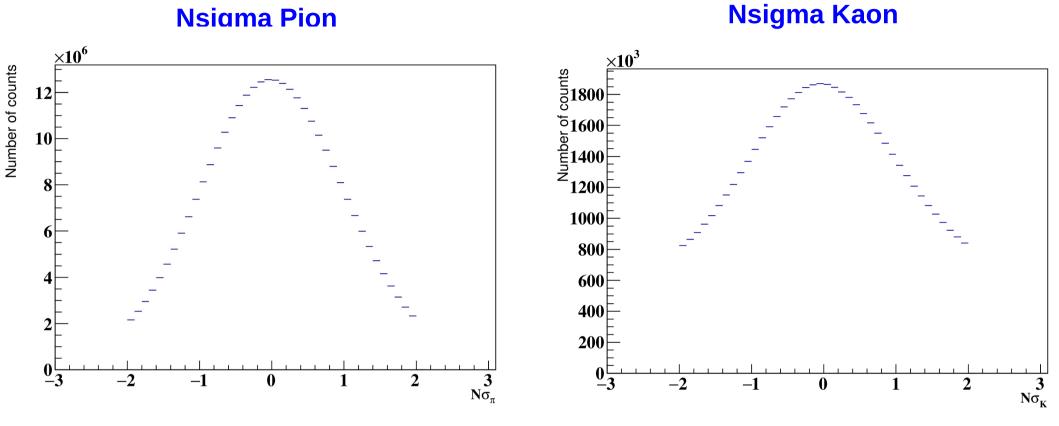
# Outlook

- -- Preparation of analysis note is in process
- -- Estimation of track cut systematic uncertainties is ongoing.

# **THANK YOU**

# **Back Up**

# **PID QA**

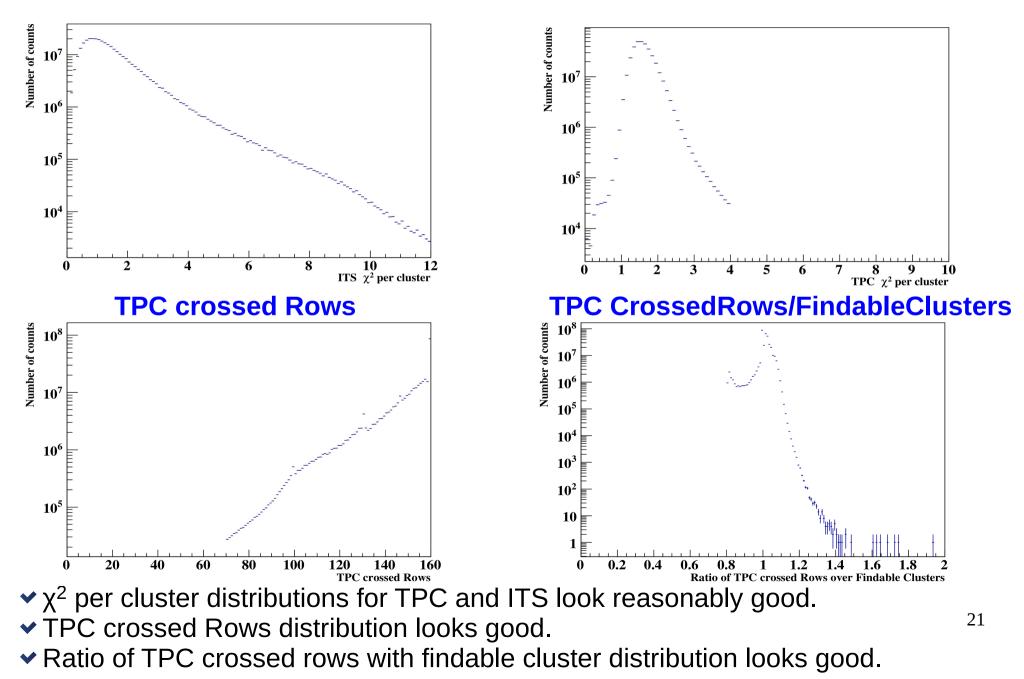


✓ NSigma distribution for Kaon and Pion are pure Gaussian with mean=0.

# **Track QA**

#### ITS $\chi^2$ per cluster

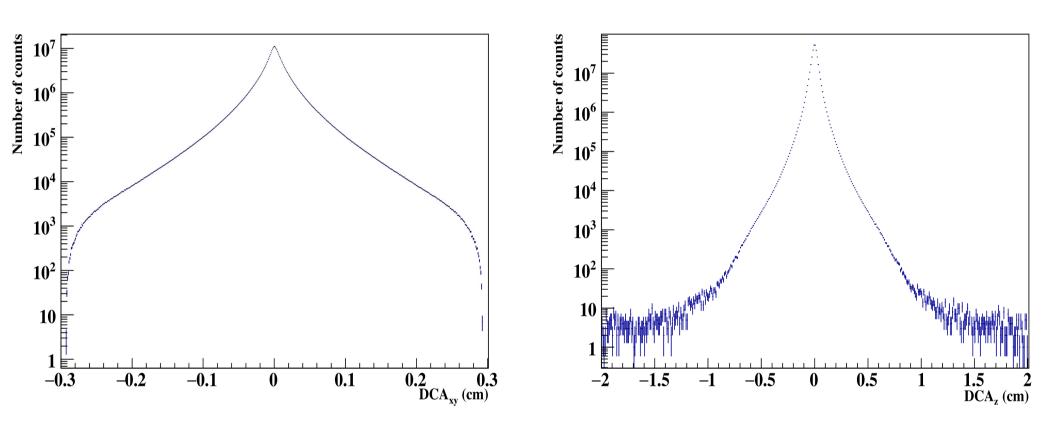
#### TPC $\chi^2$ per cluster



#### **Track QA : DCA**

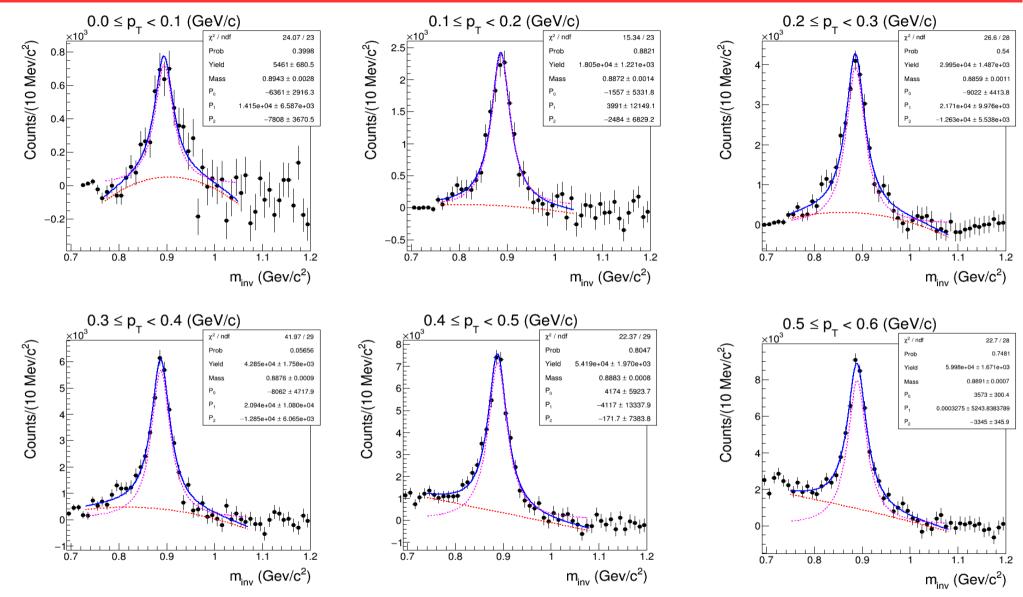
**DCA**<sub>xv</sub> distribution

DCA<sub>,</sub> distribution



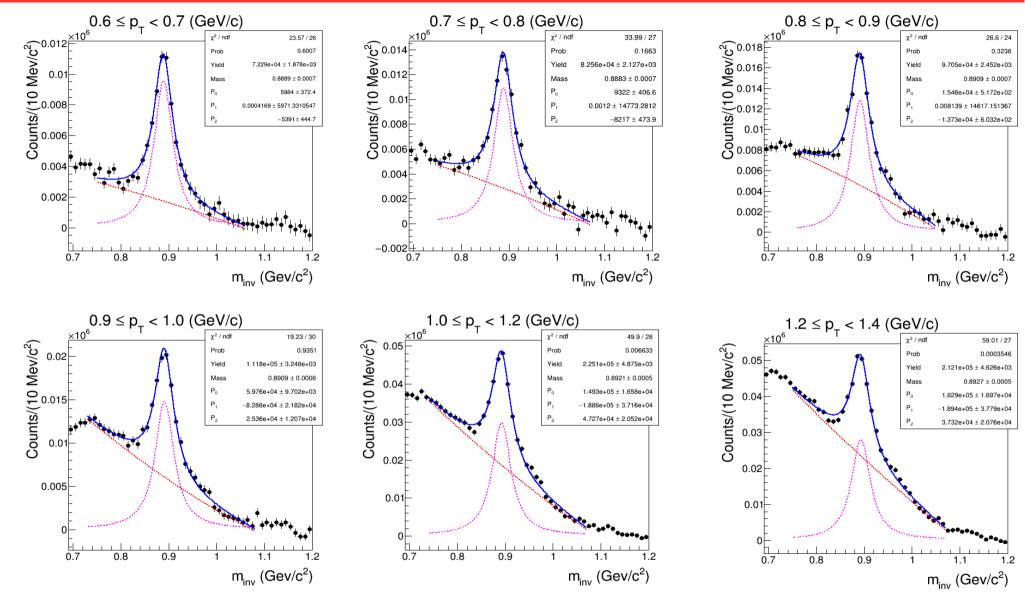
•  $DCA_{xv}$  and  $DCA_{z}$  distributions of selected pion candidates look reasonably good.

#### **Invariant Mass Distributions - I**



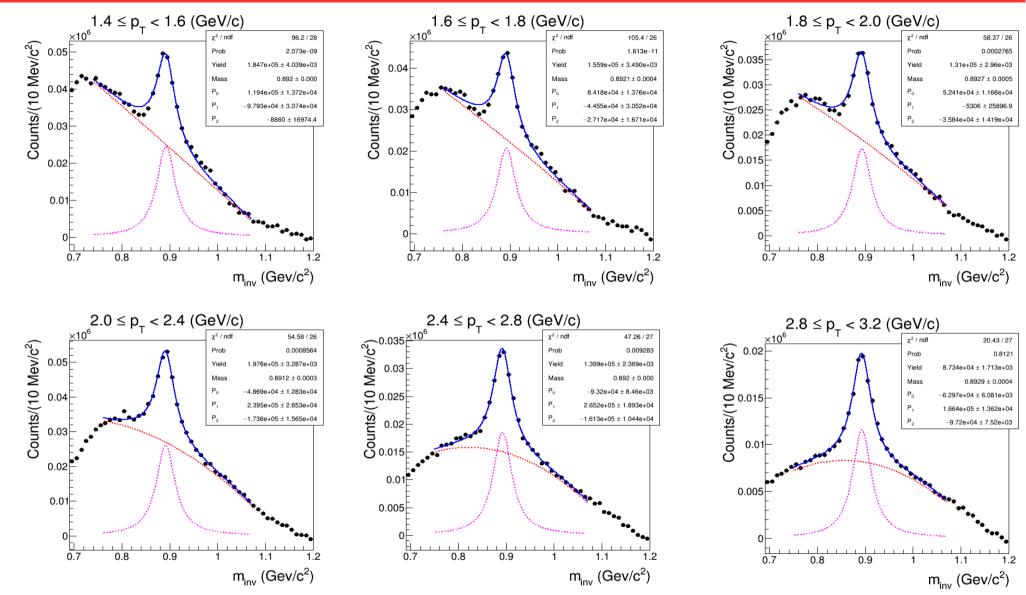
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#### **Invariant Mass Distributions - II**



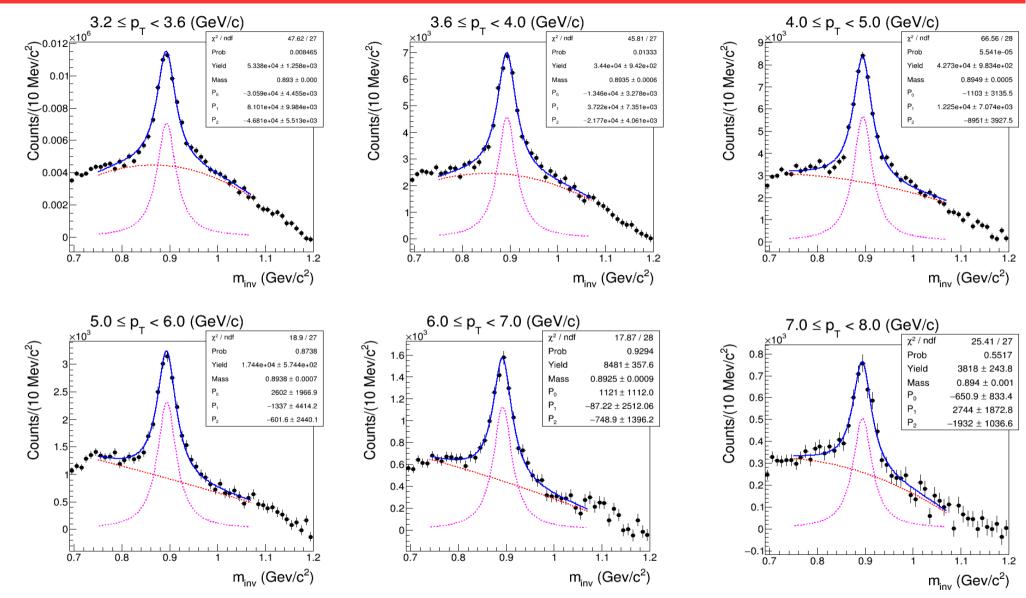
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#### **Invariant Mass Distributions - III**



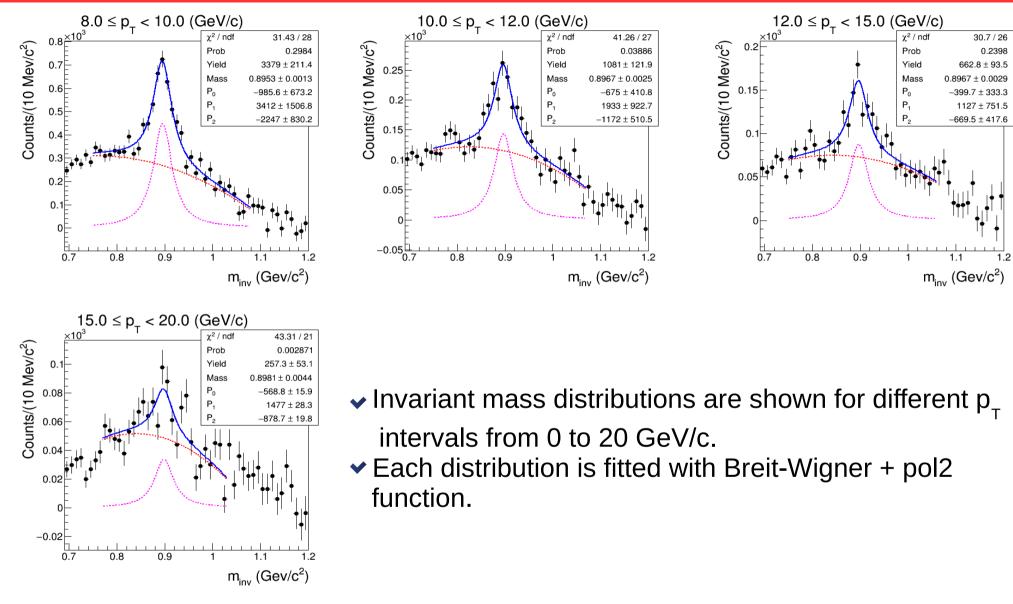
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#### **Invariant Mass Distributions - Iv**



- Background Subtraction: Event Mixing
- ✓ Normalization Range : 1.10 1.30 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- ✓ Fitting Range : 0.75 1.07 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Width fixed to PDG value

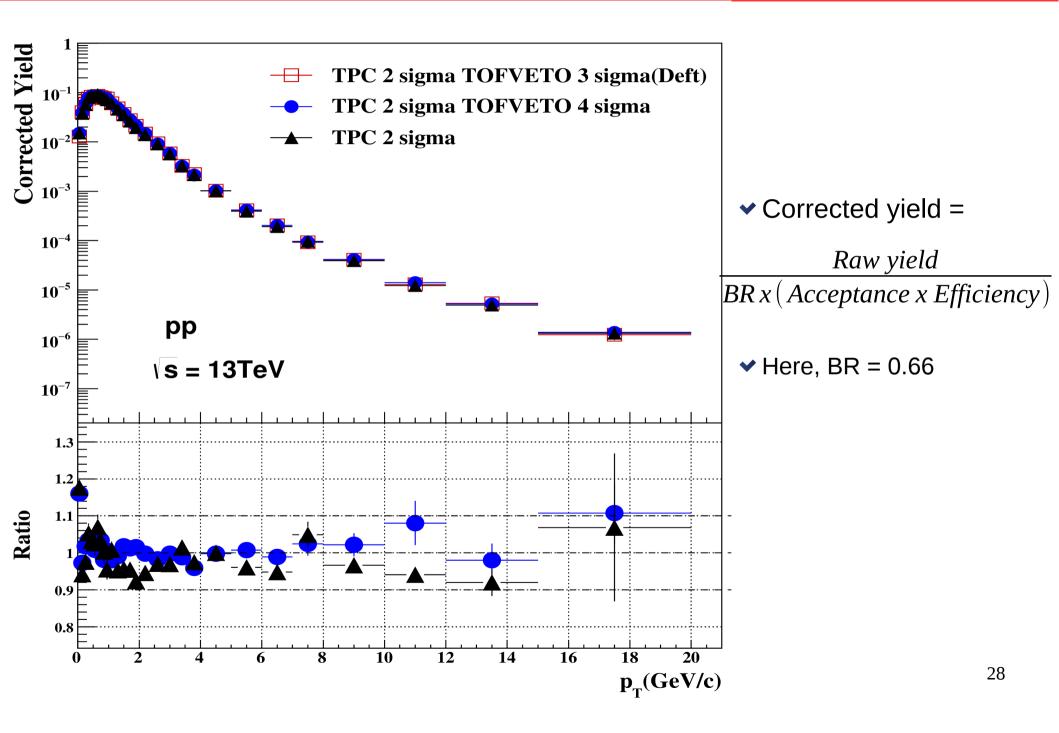
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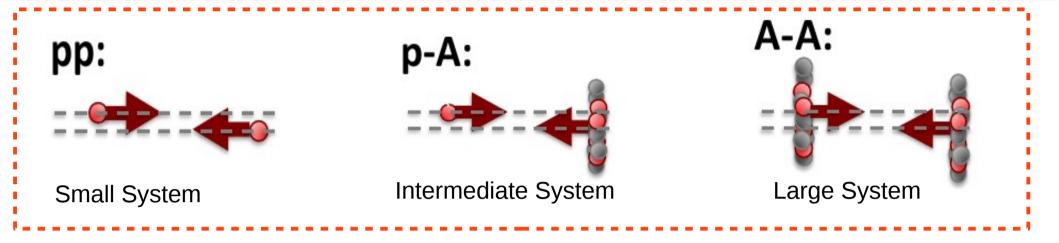
- Background Subtraction: Event Mixing
- ✓ Normalization Range : 1.10 1.30 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Fitting Range :  $0.75 1.07 \text{ GeV/c}^2$

Width fixed to PDG value

#### **Corrected Spectra**



# Introduction



- We don't expect medium formation in pp collisions as compared to p-A and A-A collisions.
- pp collisiosn is used as a base line study for p-A and A-A collisions.
- pp collision can be used for tuning the QCD inspired model.
- Minimun bias spectrum acts as a reference for multiplicity-dependent measurements.