

# PC update 3-4-21 ( $\gamma$ flux)

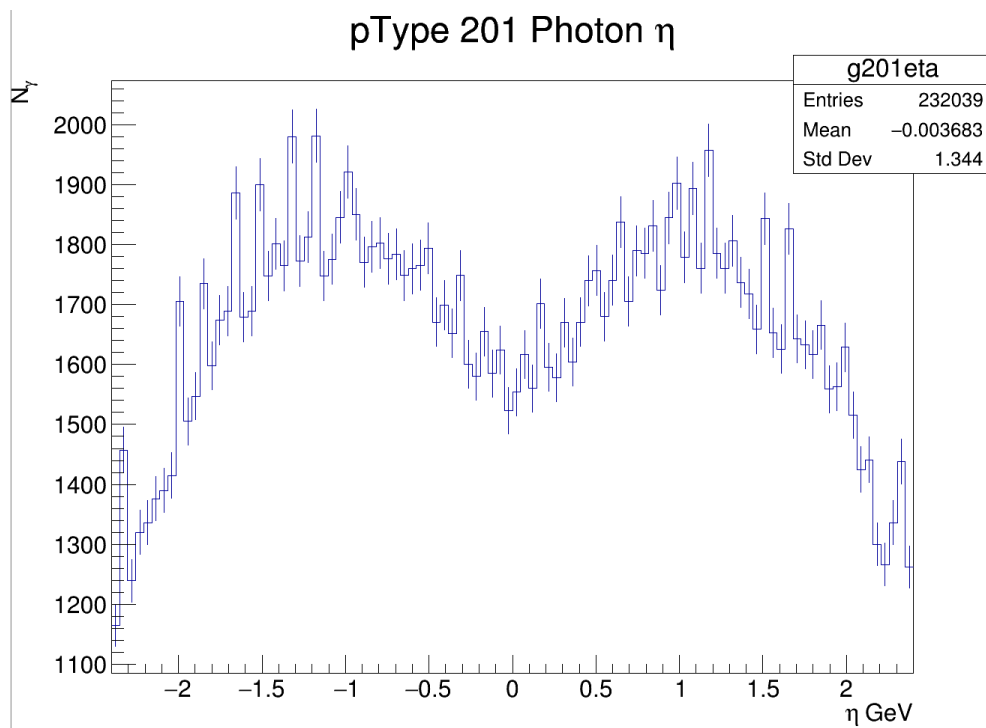
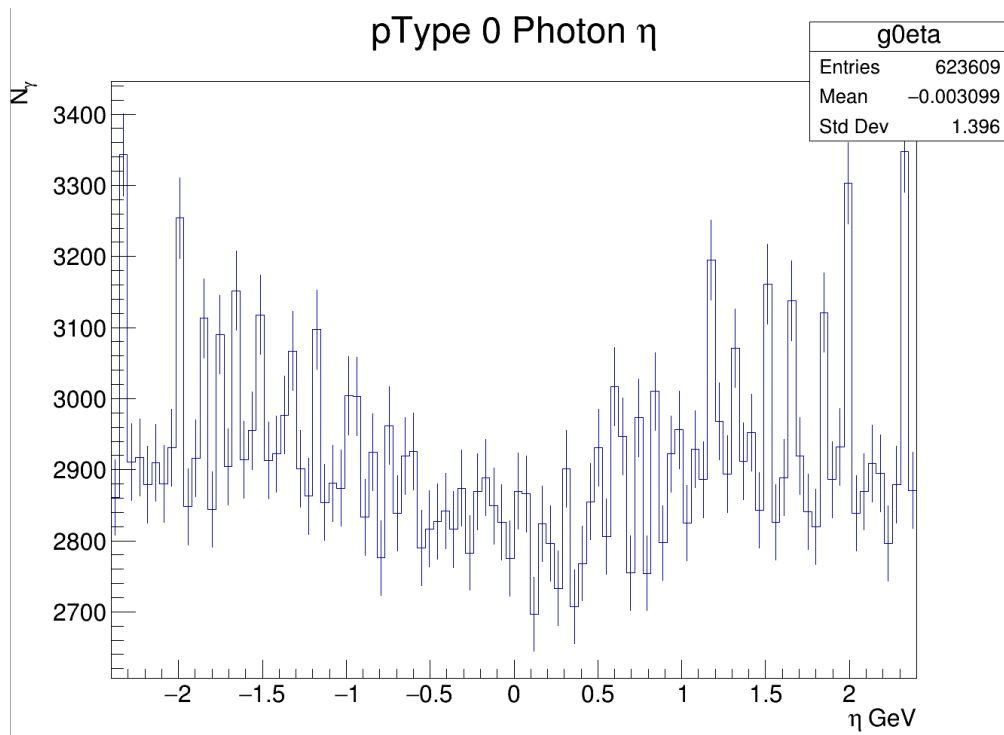
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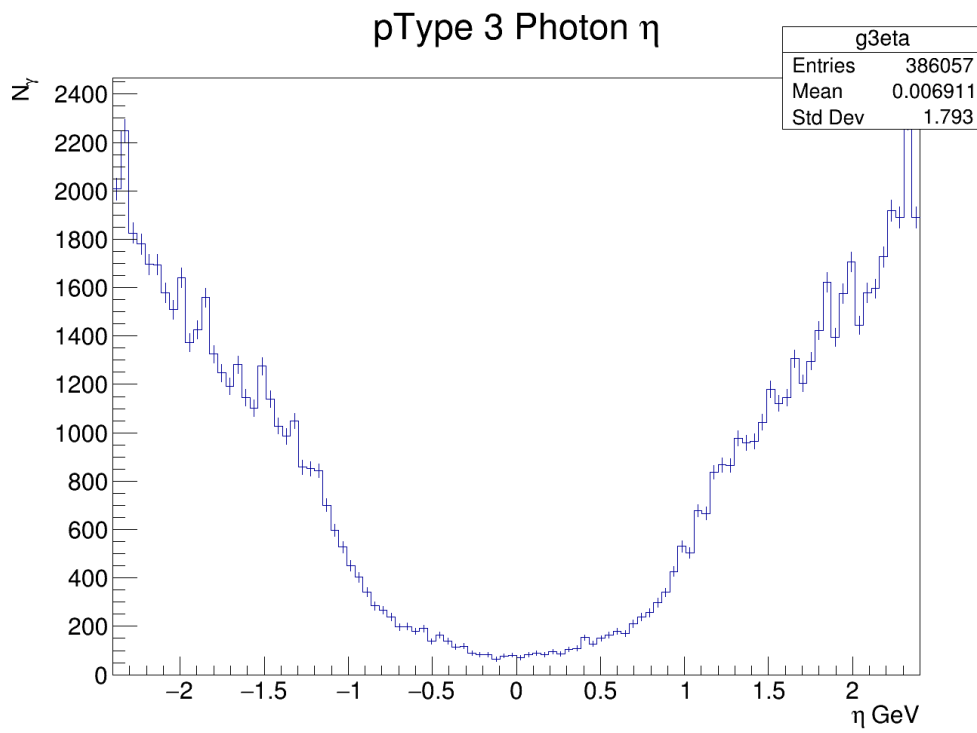
- Studied photon flux and  $f_{geom}$  factor
  - After going through flux math, needed to confirm and understand if assumptions made are valid
  - The current assumptions from AN2010\_040\_v2 are:
    - photons originate from (0,0,0)
    - all photons come from  $\pi^0$ s
    - number of photons interacting with material is negligible
  - The  $f_{geom}$  for a spherical detector is  $\propto \frac{1}{R^2 \sin^2 \theta}$
  - I tested this assumption with Sim. photons radiating outward from a unit sphere in MinBias events.
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There are 3 sim. process types for photon production.

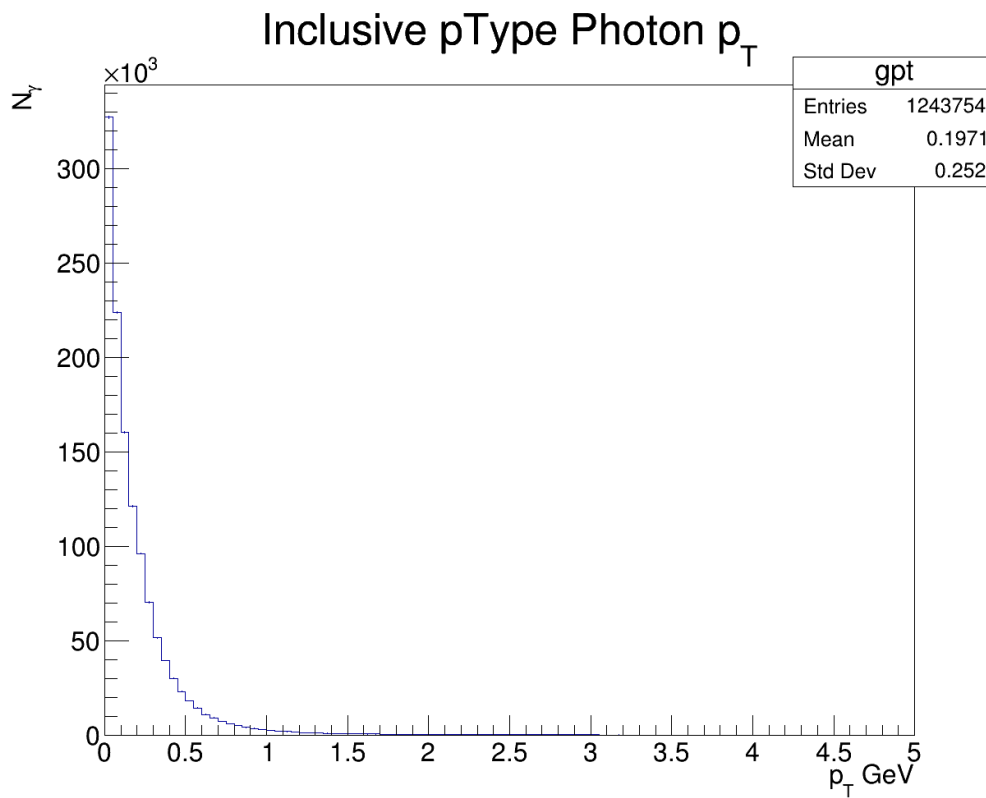
- ptype = 0
  - these originate from primary interaction
  - I suspect these are from  $\pi^0$ s but they don't have a traceable parent
- ptype = 201
  - these are decay events, i've only seen 201 with  $\pi^0$  decay in the events I looked at
  - I thought many of these decays would be near the PV, but it turns out these processes are all over the place. The majority are not involved in the primary interaction
- ptype = 3
  - Brem events
  - for the current spherical model, I can't really study these yet. There are no brems (or no material) in the unit sphere which particles are produced.

Here are the angular distributions for all of the ptypes. I did not apply ANY cuts. ignore x-axis units...

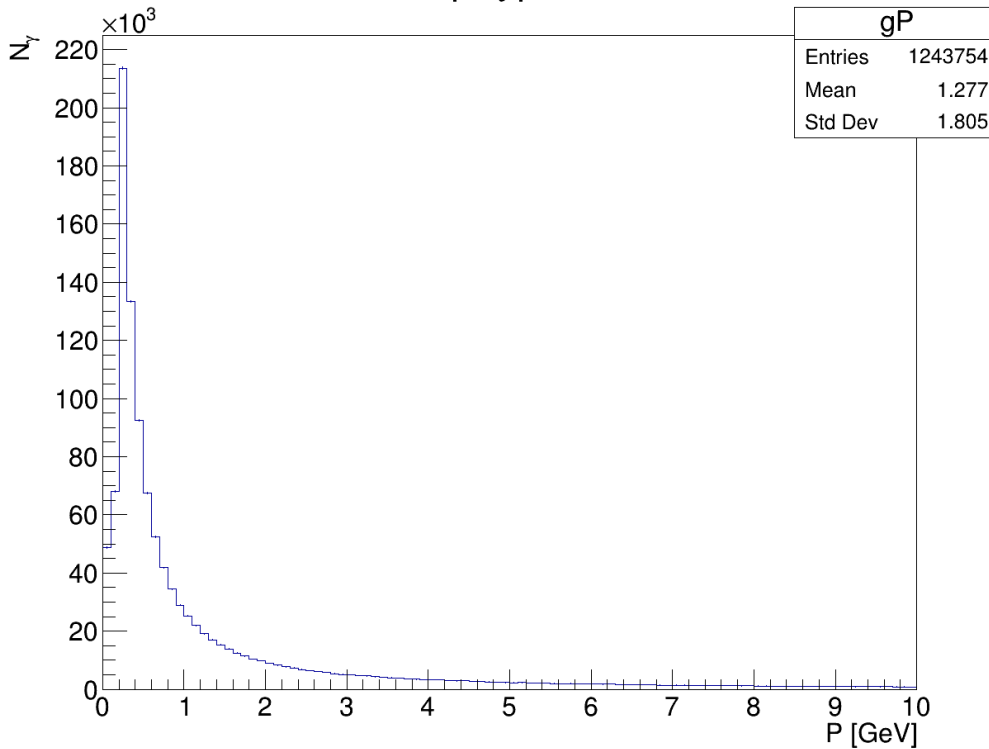




Here are the P and pt distributions inclusively. The individual distributions have the same shape but only get slightly softer from  $0 \rightarrow 201 \rightarrow 3$



## Inclusive pType Photon P

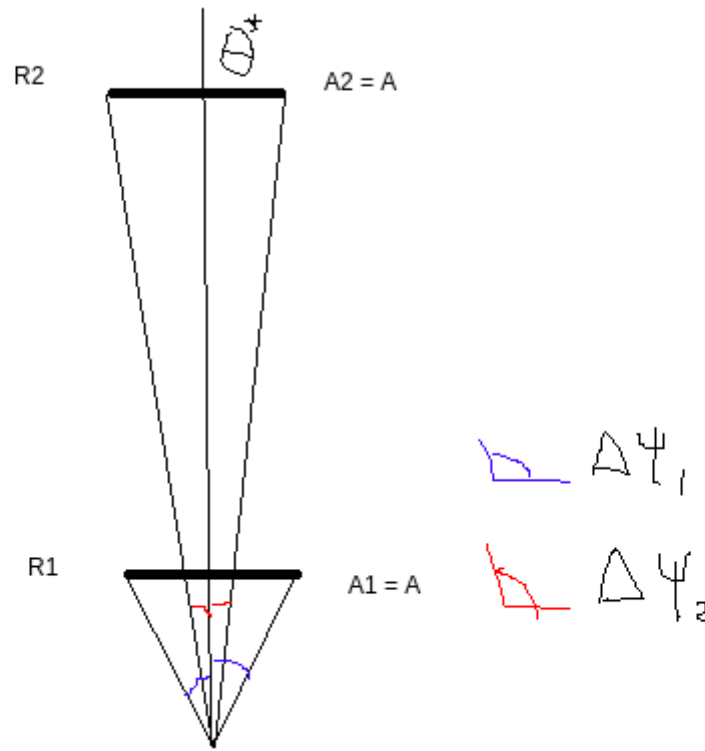


To test the photon flux, I counted the number of photons that would pass through a fixed area segment in a spherical coordinates and translated that fixed segment around the sphere. To study the  $R$  dependence I set a fixed area centered on  $\theta^*$  and counted the number of photons that would pass through the area at various radii. I also looked at the angular dependence  $\theta$  by fixing  $R$  and scanning from  $0 \rightarrow \pi$

- Side note, originally I solved this problem with a "square" like area centered on  $(\theta^*, \phi^*)$  this implementation was fine, but I settled on a fixed area ring and integrated over  $2\pi$ . this approach gives better stats and works better with small angle approx used.

implementation concepts: for a photon radiating outward through fixed area, the angular spread of the area at further  $R$  will be smaller. So, to count photon at various  $R$  I calculate the symmetrical spread  $(\Delta\psi)$  from  $\theta^*$  then see if the photon falls into the range of  $\Delta\psi(R)$

Here is a rudimentary drawing of the concept



The math details are as follows, in a spherical detector

$$A = \int^R \int^\theta \int^\phi R^2 \sin \theta dR d\theta d\phi$$

integrating R from 0 to R and  $\phi$  from 0 to  $2\pi$  we get

$$3A/2\pi R = -\cos(\theta)|_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2}$$

From our angular centerpoint  $\theta^*$  we define the spread of the area at some R as  $\Delta\psi$ :

$$\theta_2 = \theta^* + \Delta\psi$$

$$\theta_1 = \theta^* - \Delta\psi$$

Using this  $\theta_i$  definition in the integral evaluation we get

$$3A/2\pi R = -\cos(\theta^* + \Delta\psi) + \cos(\theta^* - \Delta\psi)$$

applying some trig identities we get

$$\frac{3A}{4\pi R \sin \theta^*} = \sin \Delta\psi$$

Then to first order approximation .. if we keep A small or R large we get

$$\frac{3A}{4\pi R \sin \theta^*} = \Delta\psi$$

- In the case of using a fixed  $(\theta^*, \phi^*)$  the solution is ( assuming  $\Delta\psi = \Delta\theta = \Delta\phi$ )

$$\frac{3A}{4R \sin \theta^*} = \Delta\psi^2$$

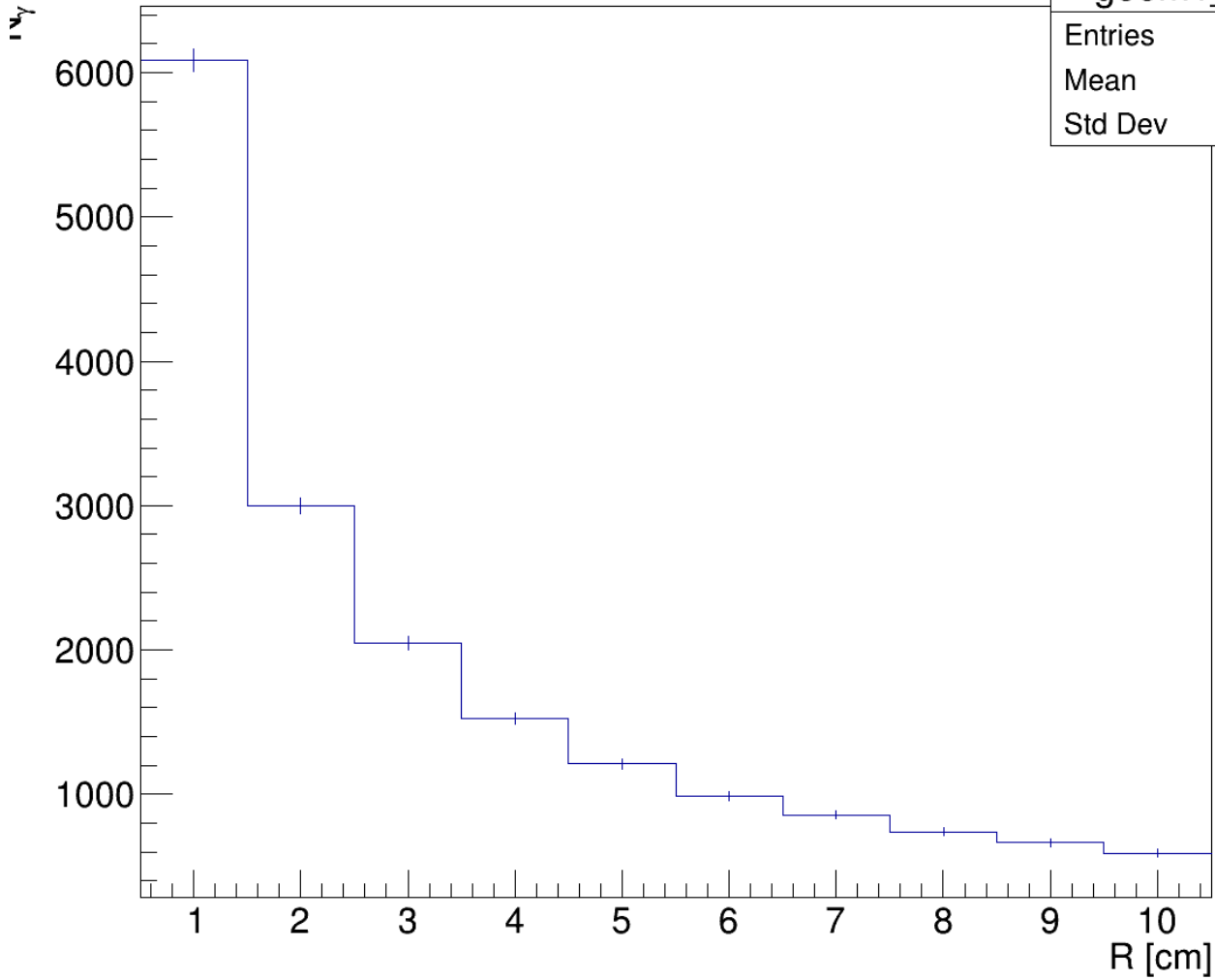
In this case to satisfy the small angle approximation we should take  $A < 1$

Here are the resulting  $f_{geom}$  distributions for the different ptypes

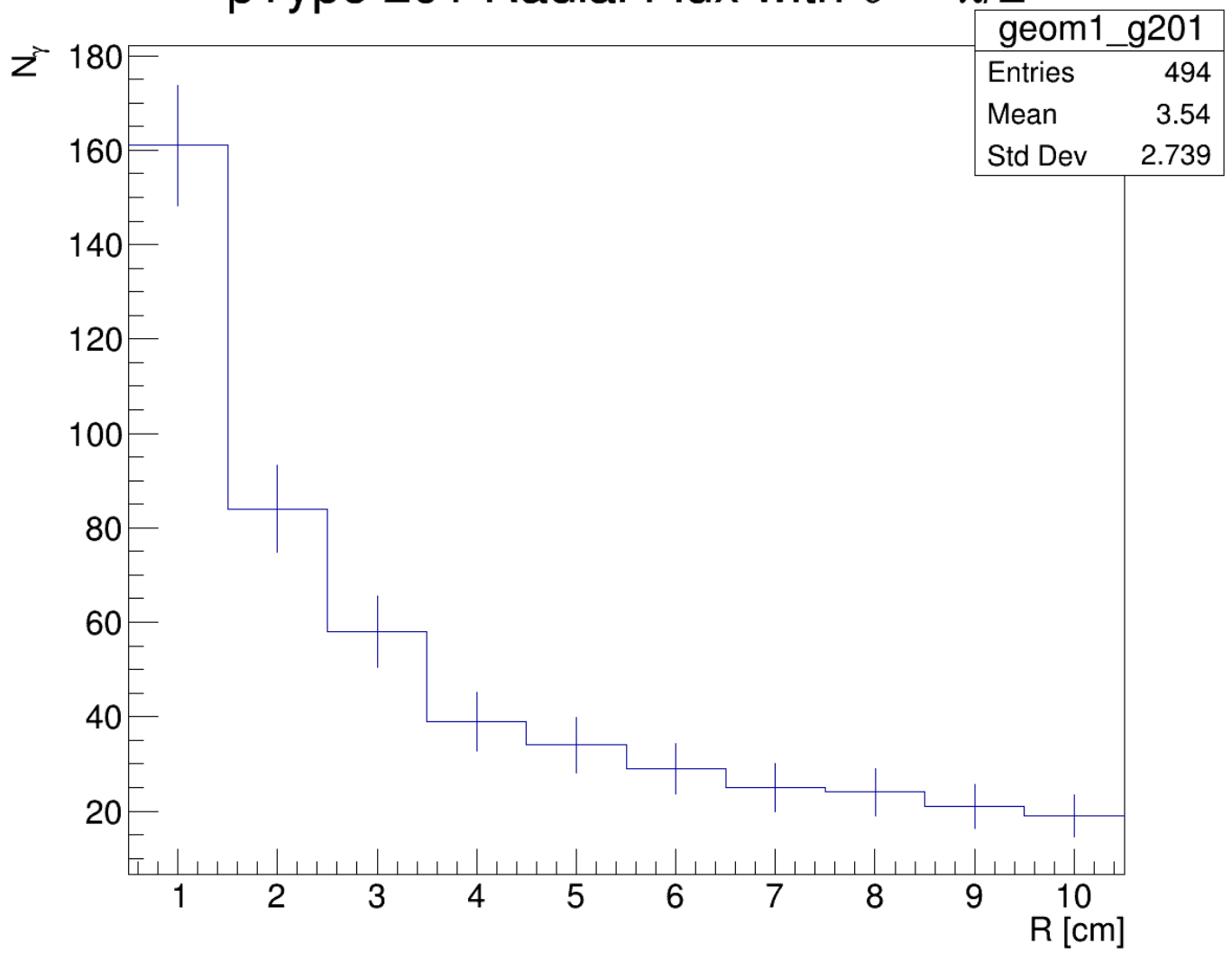
Radial dependence

pType 0 Radial Flux with  $\hat{\theta} = \pi/2$

geom1_g0	
Entries	17712
Mean	3.396
Std Dev	2.657

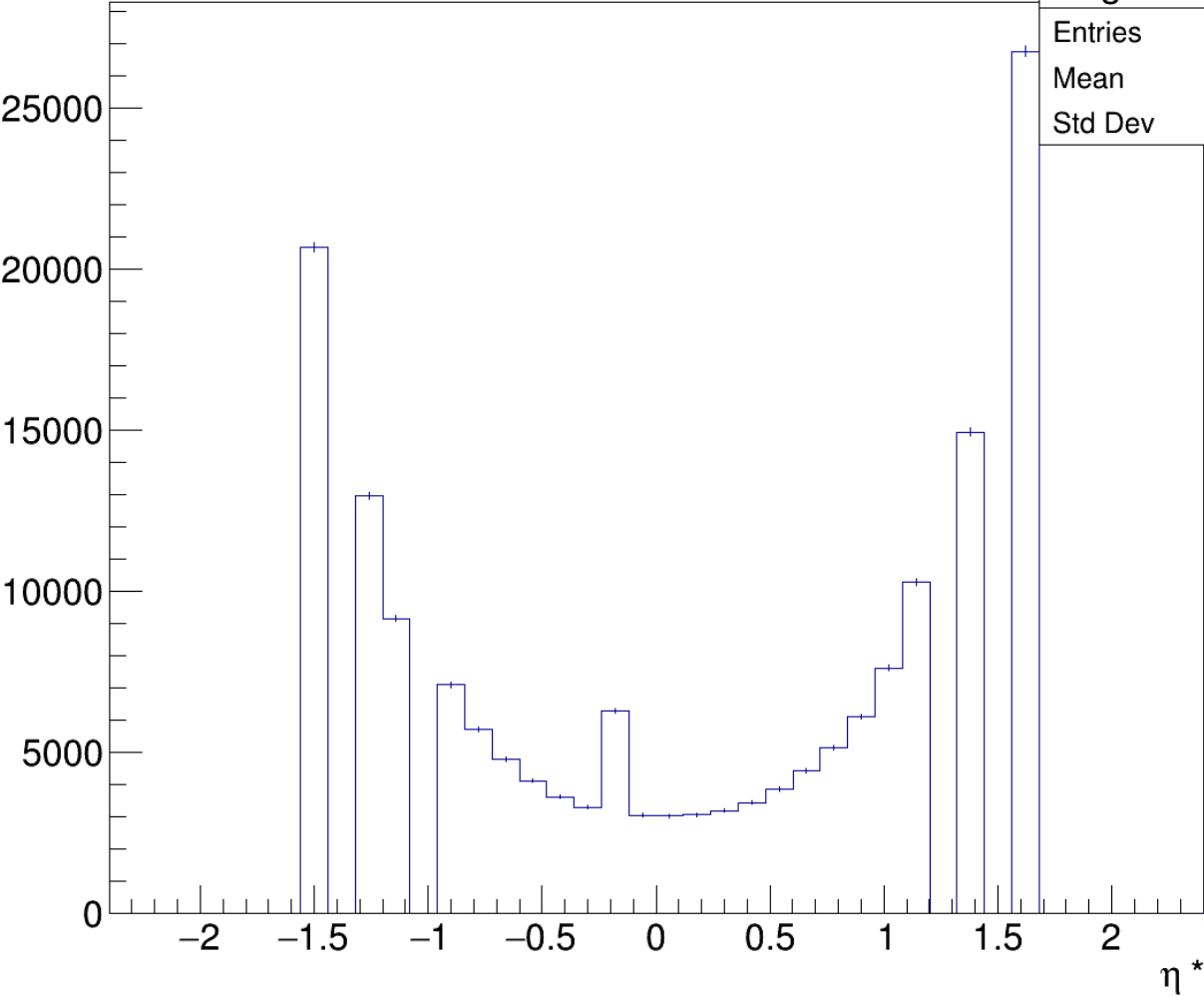


# pType 201 Radial Flux with $\theta = \pi/2$



pType 0 Angular Flux with R=2

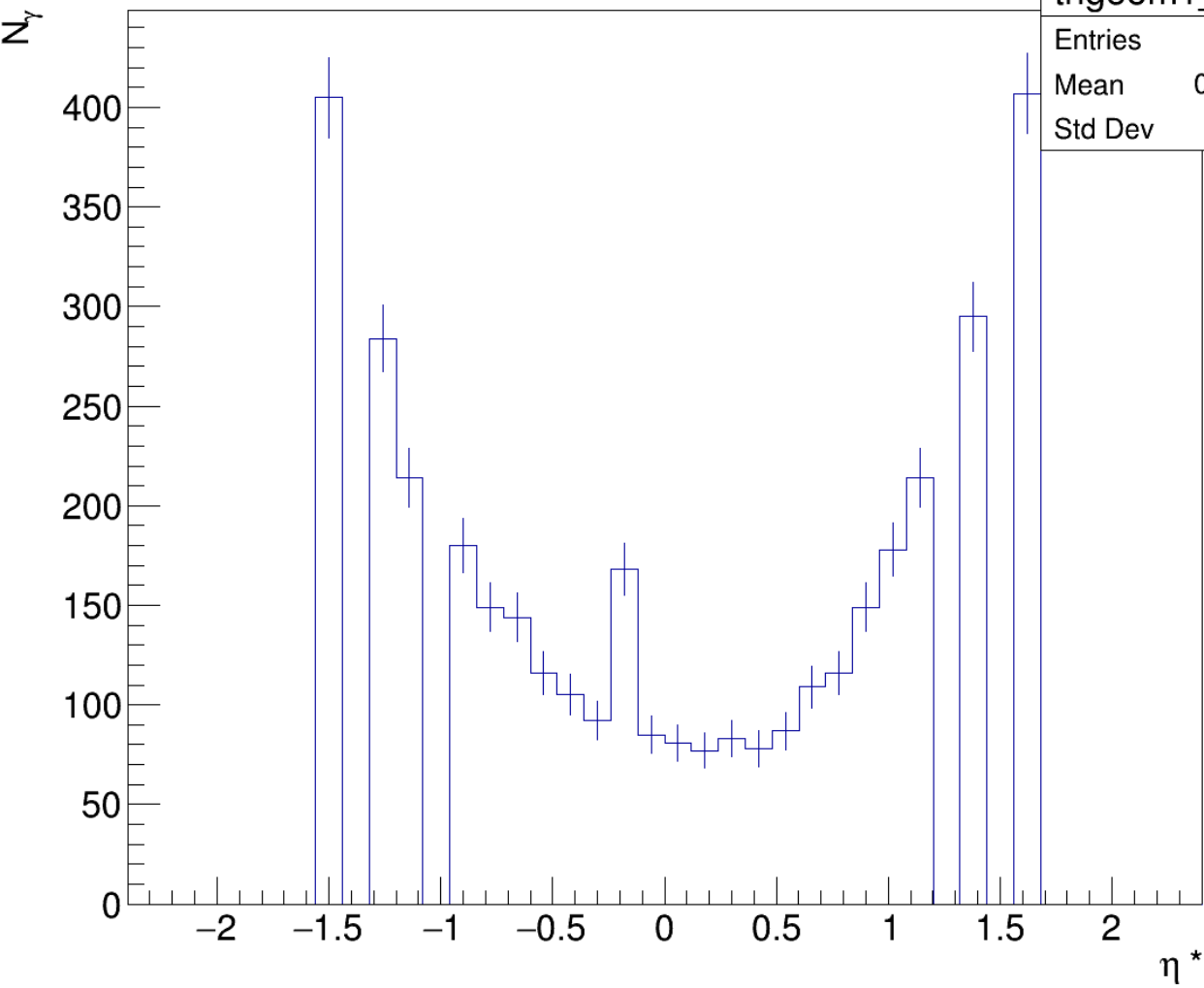
thgeom1_g0	
Entries	172343
Mean	0.1217
Std Dev	1.128





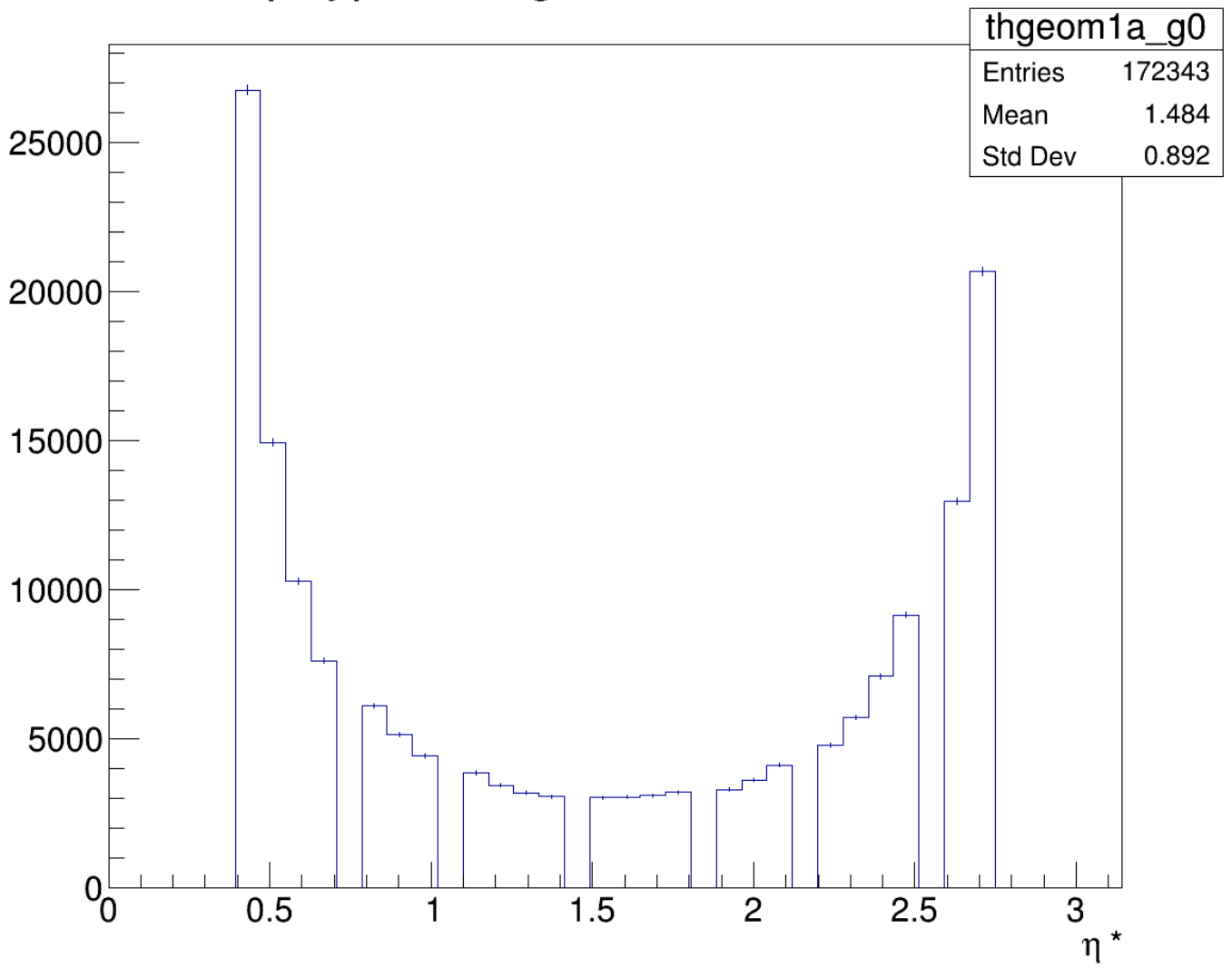
pType 201 Angular Flux with R=2

thgeom1_g201	
Entries	3816
Mean	0.02842
Std Dev	1.066

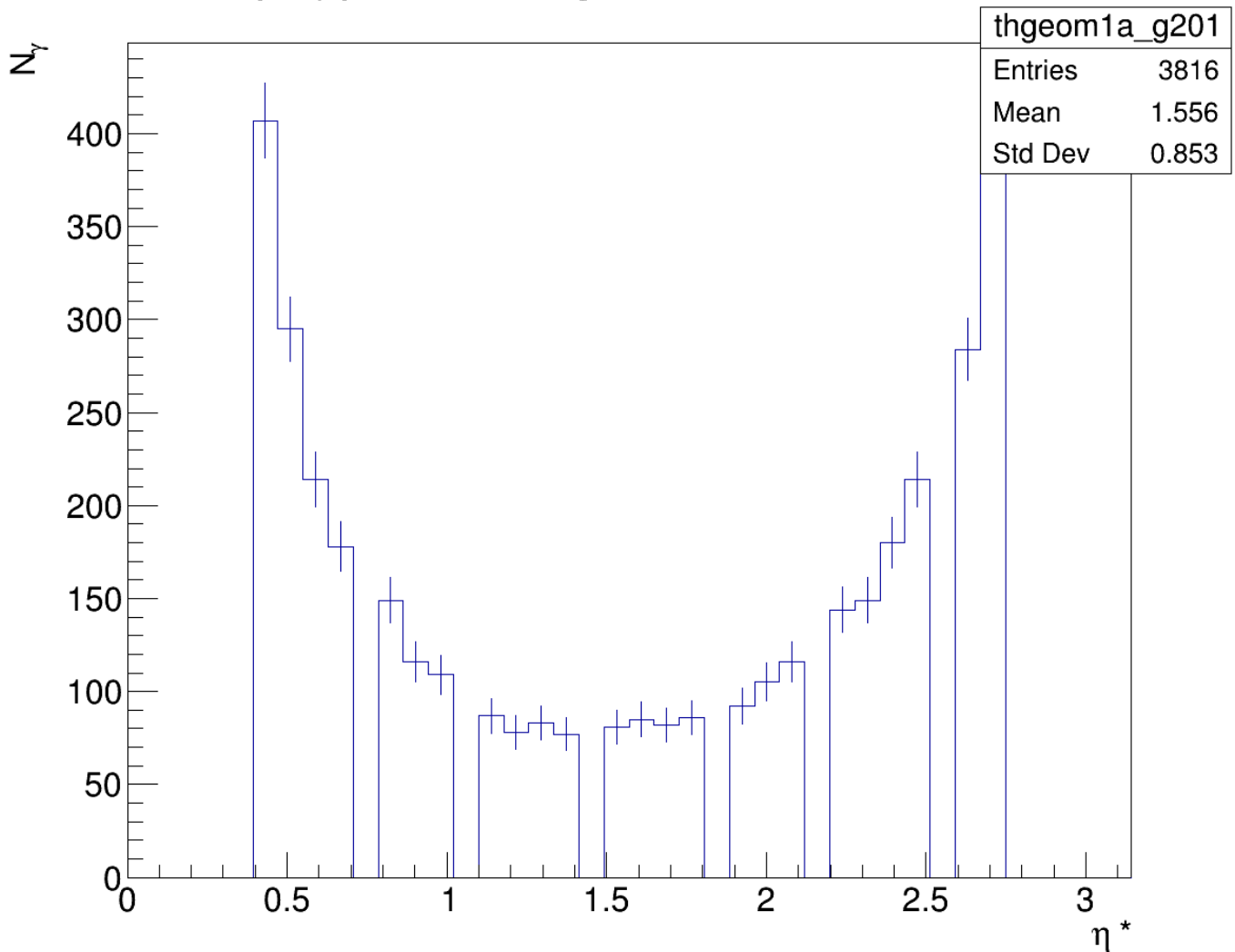


theta dependence

# pType 0 Angular Flux with R=2



## pType 201 Angular Flux with R=2



At a glance, with these spherical constraints (photons produced with  $R < 1$ ) the earlier assumption of  $f_{geom} \propto \frac{1}{R^2 \sin^2 \theta}$  looks pretty good

Future thoughts --

- repeat this exercise with cylindrical detector
- look at photons produced anywhere in the detector, not just origin
- get a better feel of the extra photons from electrons .. Nconv and Ngamma become circularly dependent in this case
- do some fits and test numerically how good this  $f_{geom}$  actually is, could propagate errors based on sin approximation
- long term idea , if we get the full contributions from all processes to Ngamma we could do a simultaneous fit in R and theta to get a sim driven  $f_{geom}$  factor. This approach would probably need to be binned in PU