

Simulating pp collisions with Pythia

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1 Simulations with Pythia

1.1 Pythia

The Pythia program is a standard tool for the generation of high- energy physics collisions, by the help of pythia, events are generated . Events are the sets of outgoing particles produced in the interactions between two incoming particles.

1.2 pp Collisions at 13 TeV

This program will take two incoming proton beams at a center of mass energy of 13TeV, and the outcomes are given in histograms. The Code for Pythia is given below:

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1  /*Author: Vishu Saini, MSc Physics, IIT Bombay */
2  /*Date: December 2021*/
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5  /* proton -proton collisions*/
6  /* Using trees to store data and plotting them using root. Trees can also be used
   to feed data to GEANT4 */
7  #include <iostream>
8
9  #include "TFile.h"
10 #include "TTree.h"
11
12 #include "Pythia8/Pythia.h"
13
14 int main()
15 {
16     TFile *output = new TFile("tutorial3.root", "recreate");
17
18     TTree *tree1 = new TTree("tree1","tree1");    // charged particle tree
19
20     TTree *tree2 = new TTree("tree2","tree2");    // neutral particle tree
21
22     // Saving the variables as branches
23
24     int id, event, size, no;
25     double pT_1, eta_1, y_1;           //declare the variables first
26                                     // I = integer, D = double
27     tree1->Branch("pT_1", &pT_1, "pT_1/D");
28     tree1->Branch("eta_1", &eta_1, "eta_1/D");
29     tree1->Branch("y_1", &y_1, "y_1/D");
30
31     double pT_2, eta_2, y_2, phi_2;
32     tree2->Branch("pT_2", &pT_2, "pT_2/D");
33     tree2->Branch("eta_2", &eta_2, "eta_2/D");
34     tree2->Branch("y_2", &y_2, "y_2/D");
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37
38 int nevents = 1e4;    // number of events
39
40 Pythia8::Pythia pythia ;
41
42 pythia.readString("Beams:idA = 2212");    // proton beam A
43 pythia.readString("Beams:idB = 2212");    //proton beam B
44 pythia.readString("Beams:eCM = 14.e3");    //CM energy
45 pythia.readString("SoftQCD:all = on");    // turn on QCD physics
46 pythia.readString("HardQCD:all = on");    //turnn on QCD physics
47
48 pythia.init() ;
49
50 for (int i = 0; i < nevents; i++)
51 {
52
53     if (!pythia.next()) continue ;
54
55     int n_charged_particle = 0, n_neutral_particle = 0, n_pion_particle = 0,
56     n_kaon_particle = 0;
57     int entries = pythia.event.size();
58
59     std::cout << "Event: " << i << std::endl;
60     //std::cout << "Event size: " << entries << std::endl;
61
62     event = i;
63     size = entries;
64     for (int j = 0; j < entries ; j++)
65     {
66         if (pythia.event[j].isFinal()) {
67             if (pythia.event[j].isCharged()) {
68                 pT_1 = pythia.event[j].pT();
69                 eta_1 = pythia.event[j].eta();
70                 y_1 = pythia.event[j].y();
71                 n_charged_particle ++;
72                 tree1->Fill();}
73             }
74
75             if (pythia.event[j].isFinal()) {
76                 if (pythia.event[j].isNeutral()) {
77                     pT_2 = pythia.event[j].pT();
78                     eta_2 = pythia.event[j].eta();
79                     y_2 = pythia.event[j].y();
80                     phi_2 = pythia.event[j].phi();
81                     n_neutral_particle ++ ;
82                     tree2->Fill();}
83                 }
84             }
85
86         }
87
88     output->Write();
89     output->Close();
90
91     return 0;
92
93 }

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Listing 1: Pythia Code

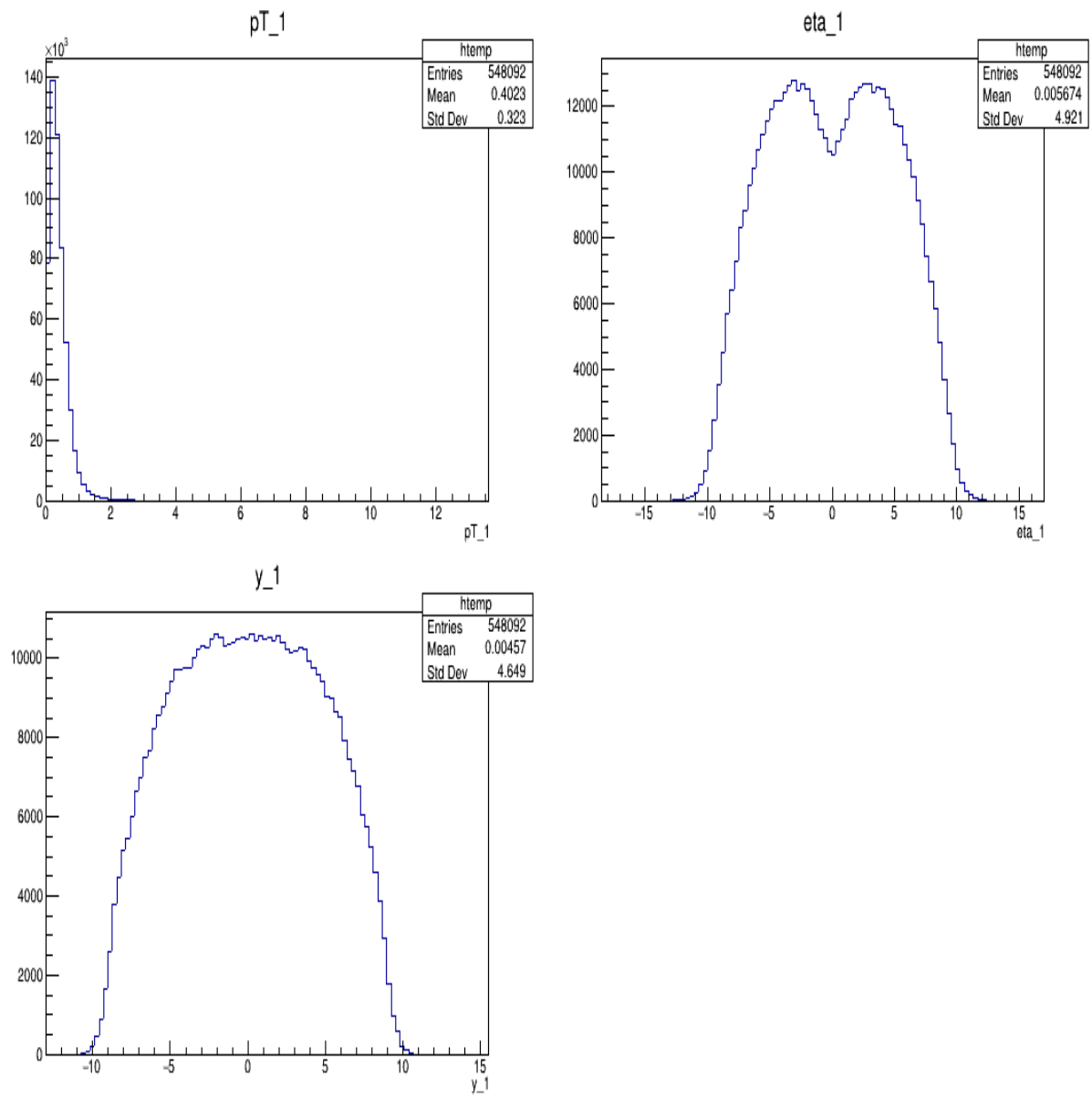


Figure 1: Charged particle distributions

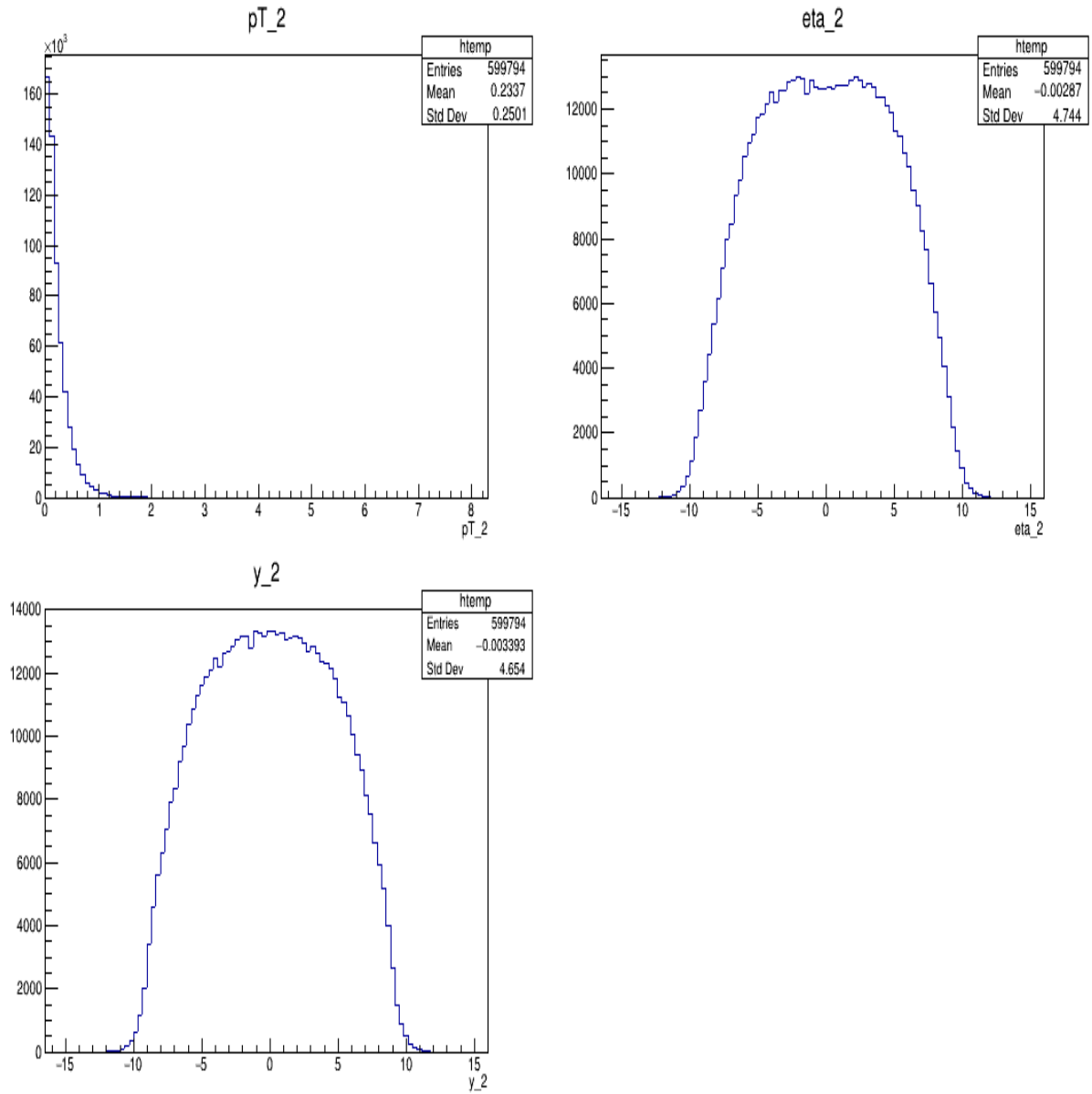


Figure 2: Neutral particle distributions

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