



Event selection for UPC events in Run 3

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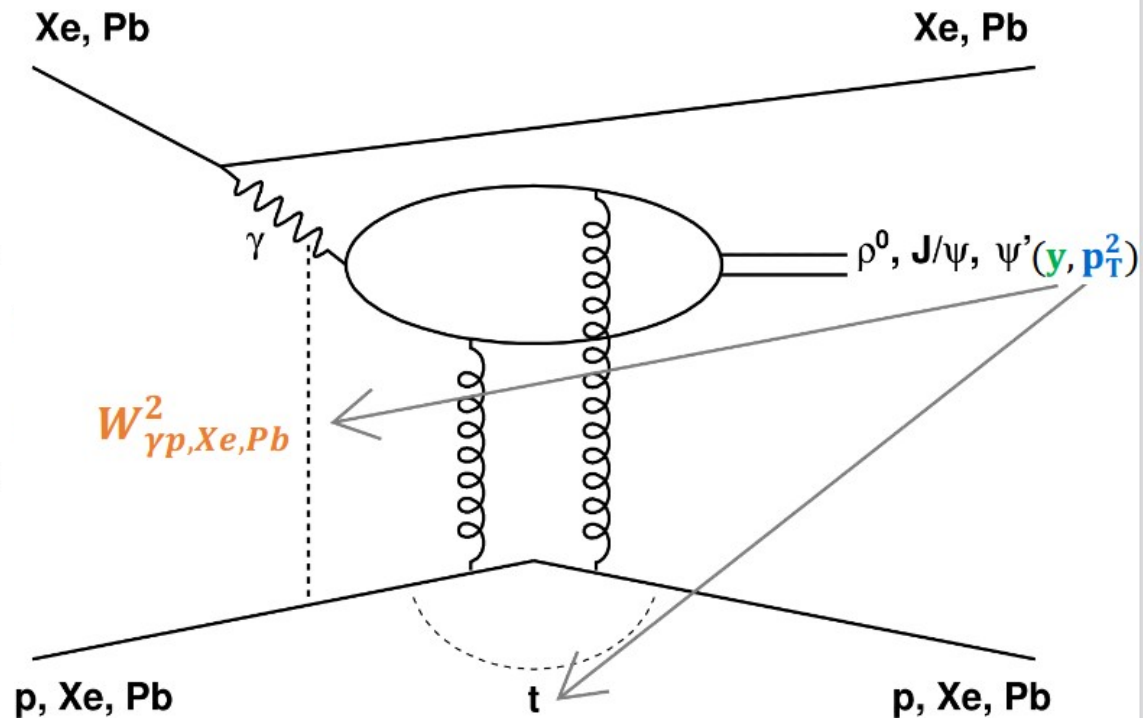
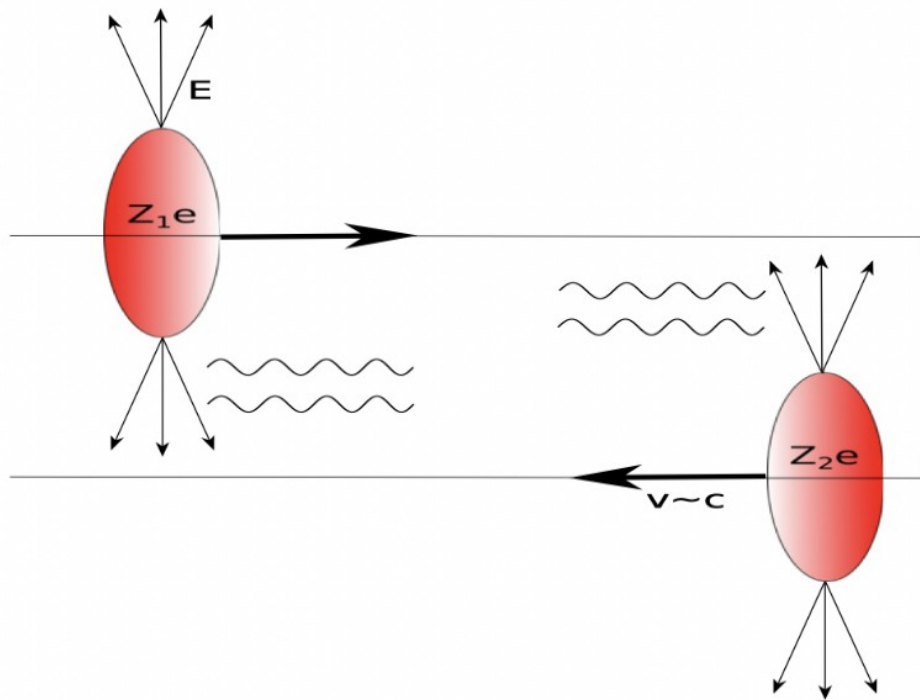
Outline

- Physics motivation
 - From exclusive to inclusive events
- Event Selection
 - Double Gap and Single Gap events
- Skimming
 - Derived data model
 - Analysis tools



Photon induced processes in heavy ion collisions

- Ultrarelativistic moving nuclei produce strong electromagnetic (EM) fields that can be treated as a **quasi-real photons flux**



In **Runs 1 & 2** ALICE extensively measured *exclusive* particle production:

- only 1 particle produced in the central detector (Muon Arm) and nuclei do not break up
- easy to trigger such events by controlling nuclear break up
- veto activity in the forward detectors (V0, AD @ Run 2 => FIT @ Run 3)

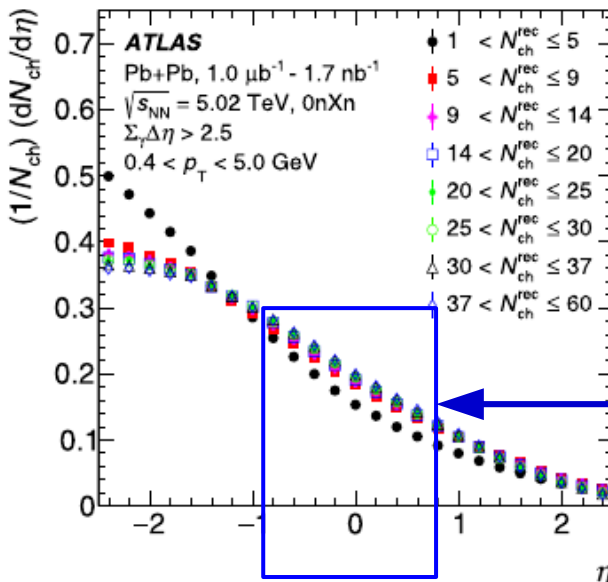
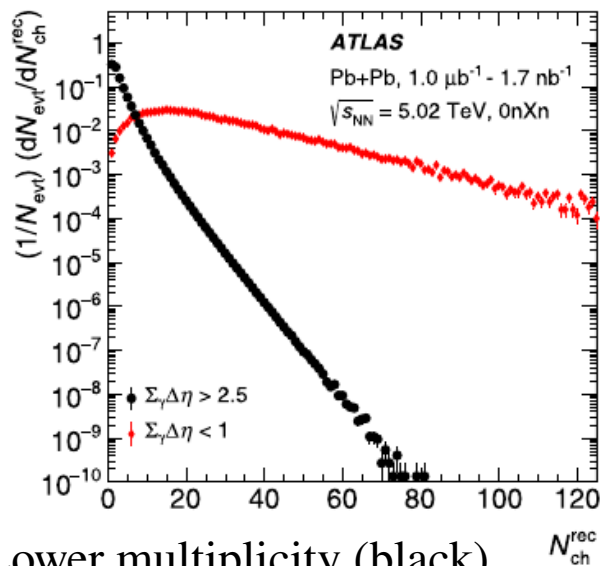
General photonuclear interaction

One nucleus breaks up producing many particles, but the second remains intact!

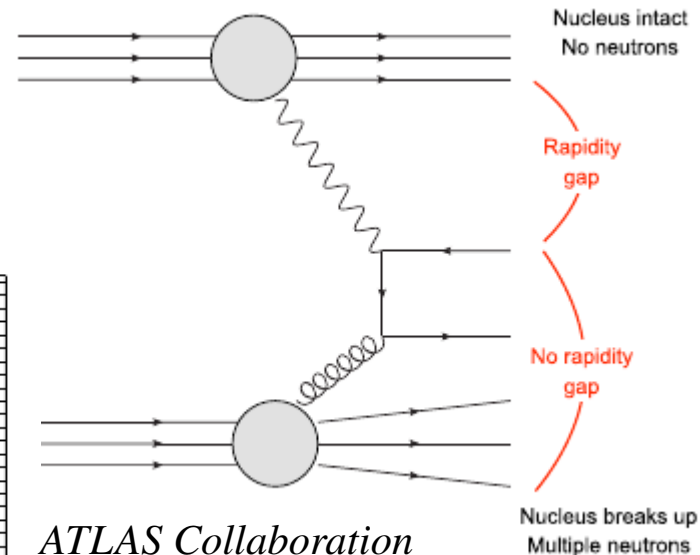
1) There is a rapidity gap, void of particles, on the side of the photon-emitting nucleus.
This is the main experimental signature.

2) The particle production is not centered at mid-rapidity but shifted to the side of the target nucleus.

Multiplicity and pseudo-rapidity distributions for γ +Pb events.



Shifted pseudorapidity distribution.



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ALICE acceptance

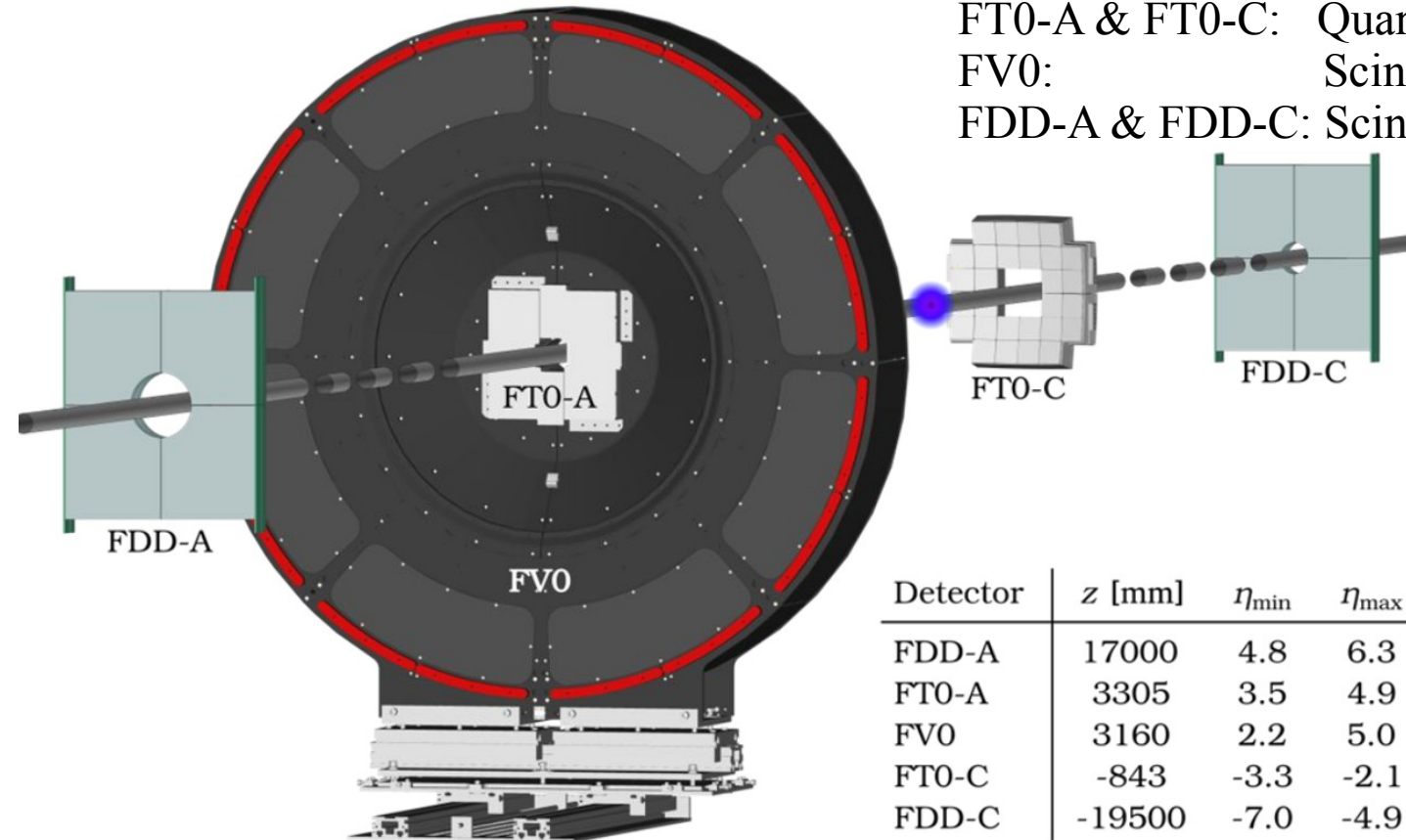
Lower multiplicity (black)
than in hadronic events (red).

Selecting events: FIT Detectors

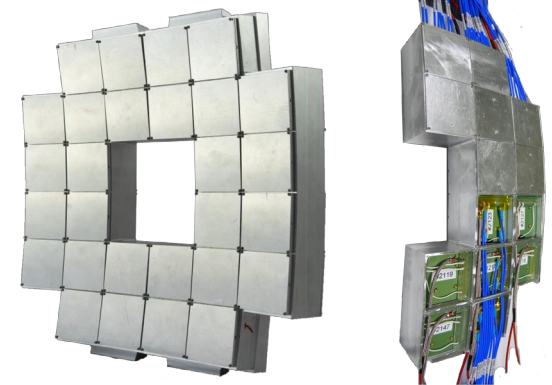
FIT = Fast Interaction Trigger: precise collision time.

FT0-A & FT0-C: Quartz Cherenkov radiators - 25ps
FV0: Scintillator - 200ps
FDD-A & FDD-C: Scintillator - 425ps

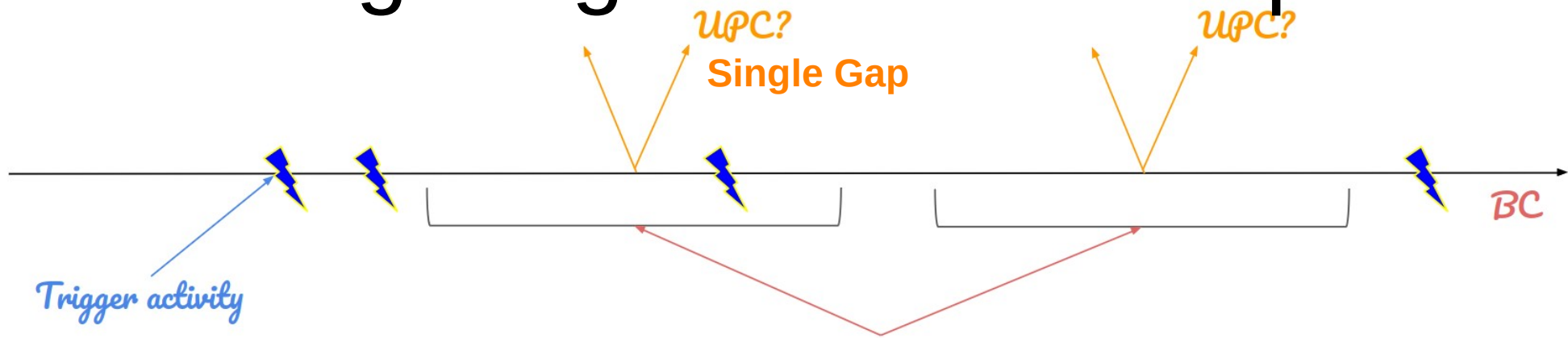
Bunch Crossing: 25ns!



Detector	z [mm]	η_{\min}	η_{\max}
FDD-A	17000	4.8	6.3
FT0-A	3305	3.5	4.9
FV0	3160	2.2	5.0
FT0-C	-843	-3.3	-2.1
FDD-C	-19500	-7.0	-4.9



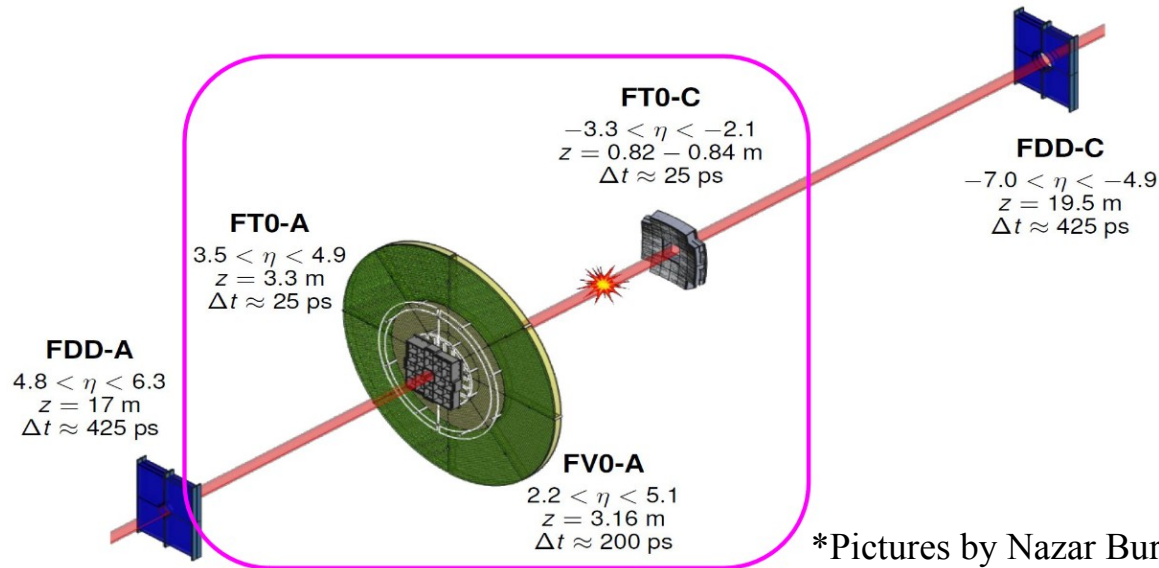
Selecting Single & Double Gap events



Veto interval

Define gap side as no activity in FIT Detectors above the threshold in the neighboring BCs: ± 2

@ one of the sides (Single Gap)
or both sides of the event (Double Gap)

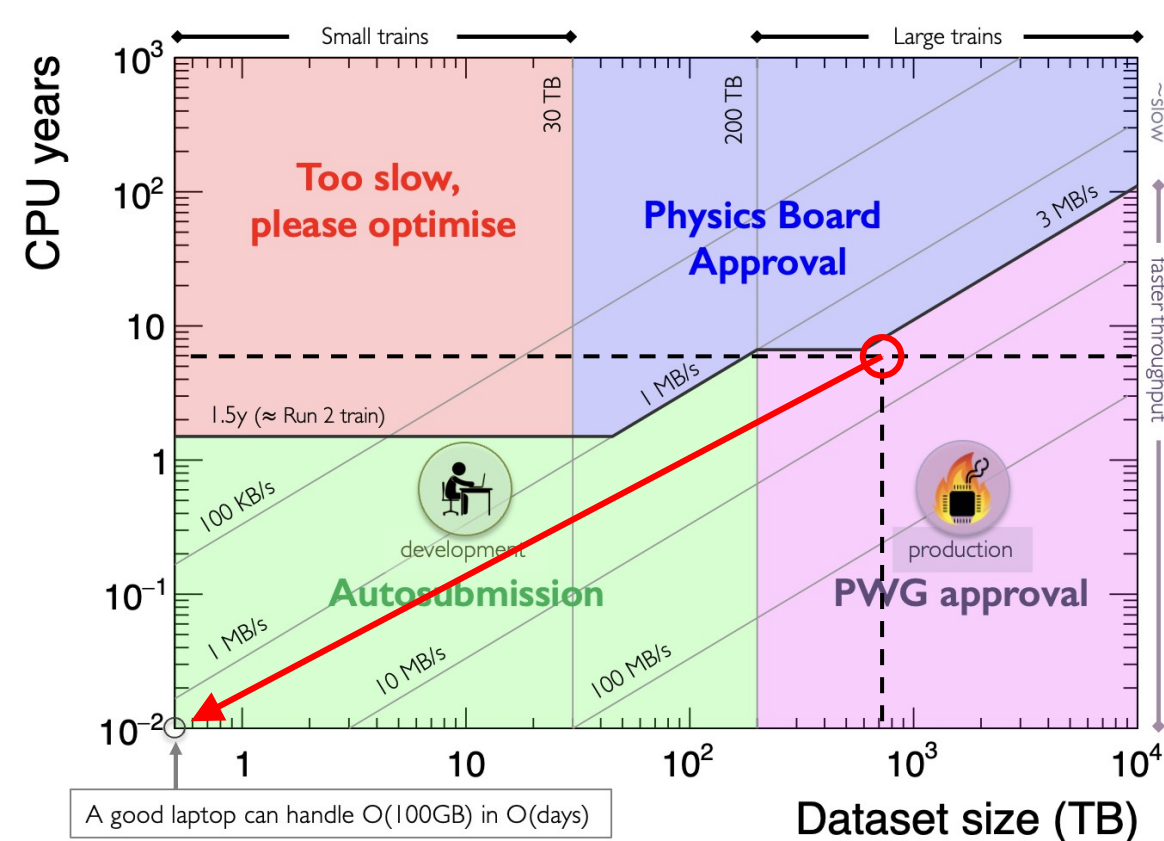


*Pictures by Nazar Burmasov

Skimming and derived data

- Derived dataset from pass2_upc is available (pass4 is coming soon)

<https://alimonitor.cern.ch/hyperloop/view-dataset/866>



Full Golden UPC Sample:

Input size:	750 TB
Reduction factor:	1200
Output size:	650 GB

Derived data contains necessary information for various analyses and allows much faster execution.

Pass4 will have one common reconstruction
→ no _upc.
See slides 17-19 for details.

Bonus: Hyperloop Service Wagon

[+/-](#) Service Wagons HF

[+/-](#) Hyperloop on-the-fly simulation core service wagons

[+/-](#) Service Wagons JE

[+/-](#) Service Wagons UD

Experts: rolavick, abylinki 

JIRA : [OHSW-6](#)

Wagon

SG_Producer

SG_Producer_MC

SG_Producer_MC_notrackloops

SG_Producer_MC_onlyreco

SG_Producer_MC_onlyreco_notrackloops

Quick Access: [pvn](#) [Service Wagons UD](#)

Service wagon doesn't save the data (UD Tables), but provides the events selection for other PAG groups (Strangeness, LF ...)

Collision BC vs FIT BC

Collision time is determined from tracks associated to a primary vertex.

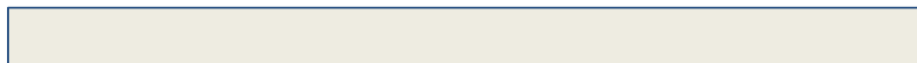
UPC events are characterized by low multiplicities and often low transverse momenta tracks.

→ If we have only ITS and TPC tracks, the time precision is **200ns = 8 Bunch Crossings**.

TOF data stream: stream of hits sorted in time



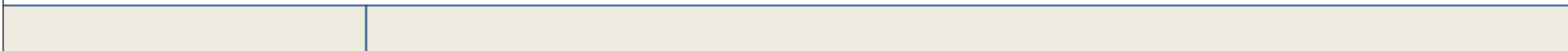
TRD data stream: triggered readout frames of ~3 μ s



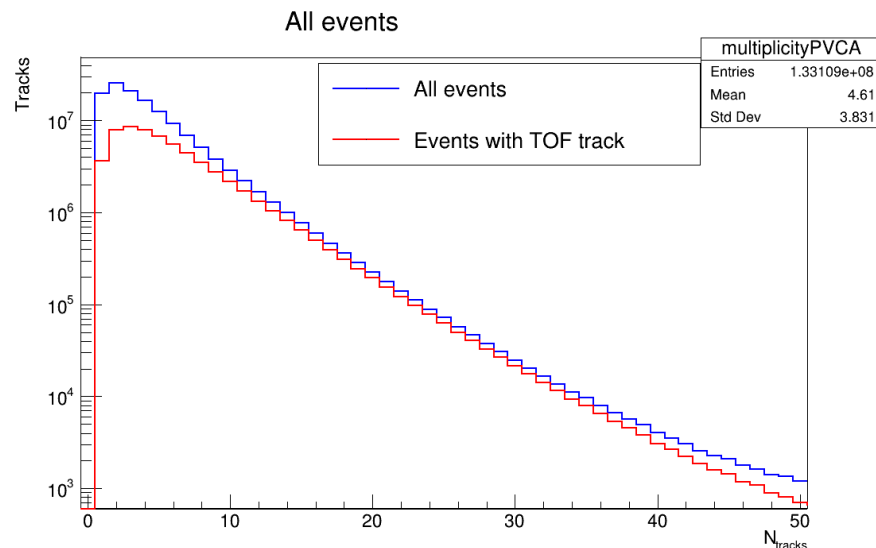
TPC data stream: time bins of 200ns



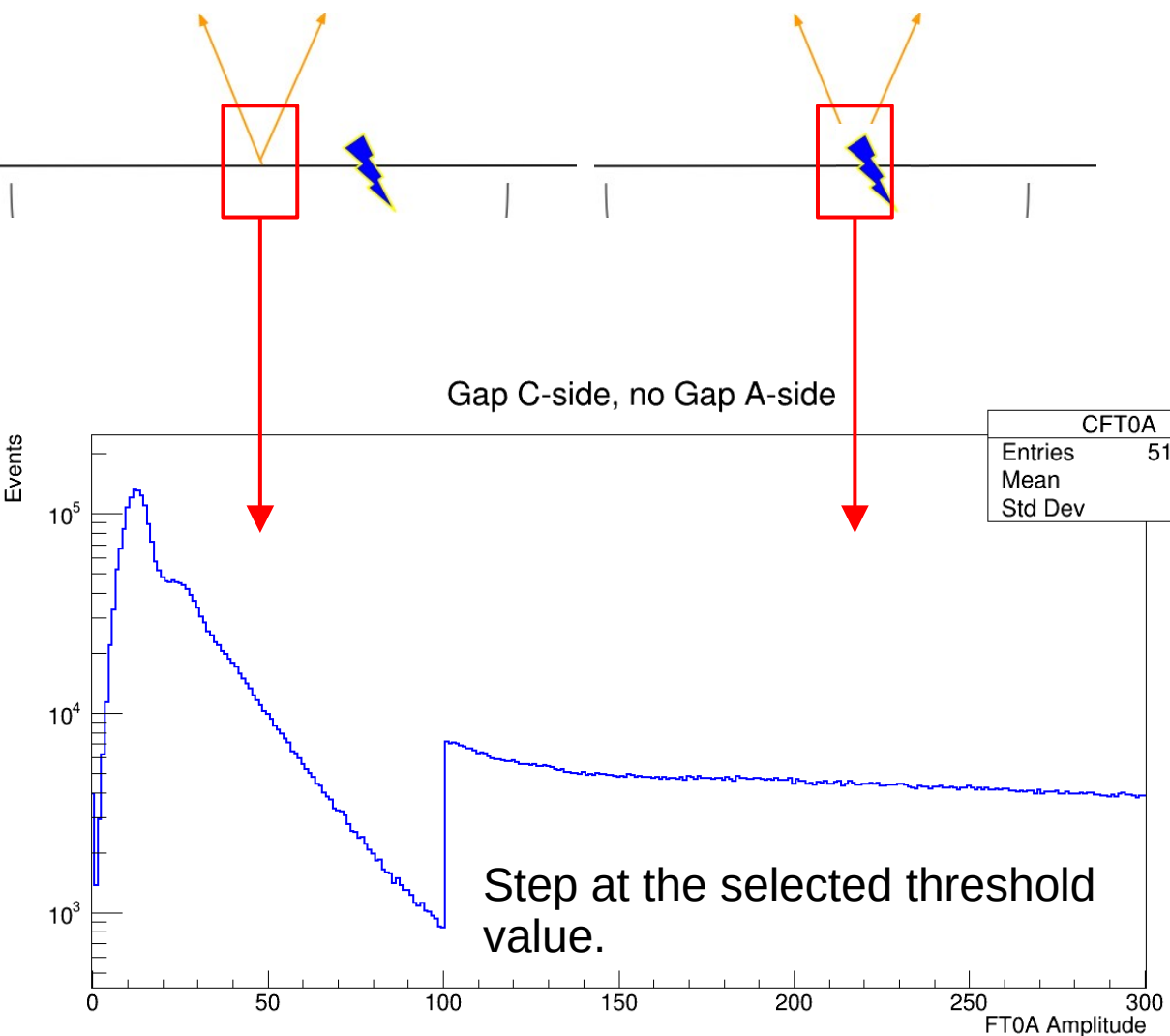
ITS data stream: readout frames of 198BC



Bunch Crossings



Collision BC vs FIT BC



In ~**50%** of events the collision is associated with the wrong BC.

Good to see background from the e+e- pileup

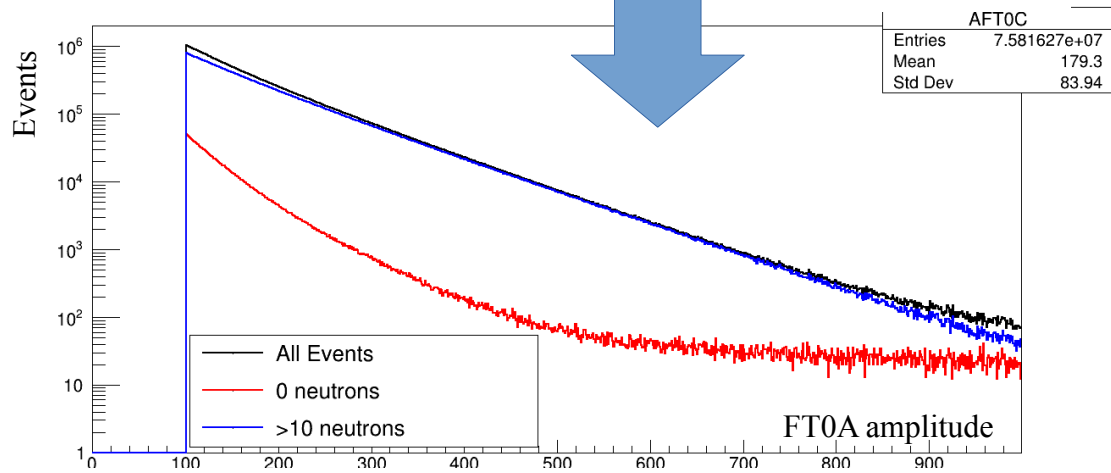
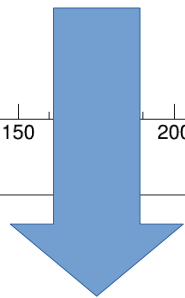
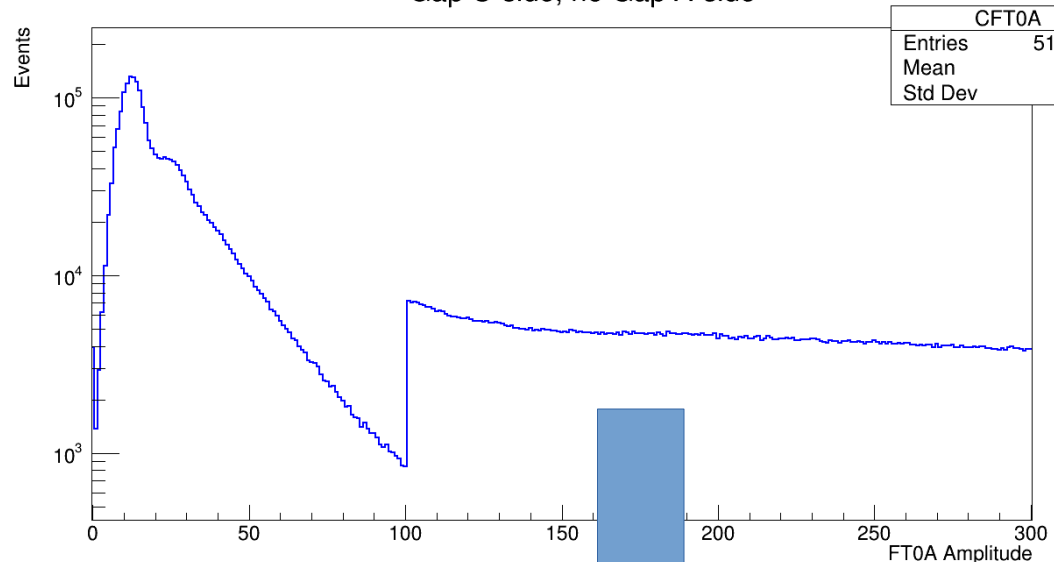
New feature in SGSelector.h:

```
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result.value = gA && gC ? 2 : (gA ? 0 : 1);  
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```

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Collision BC vs FIT BC

Gap C-side, no Gap A-side



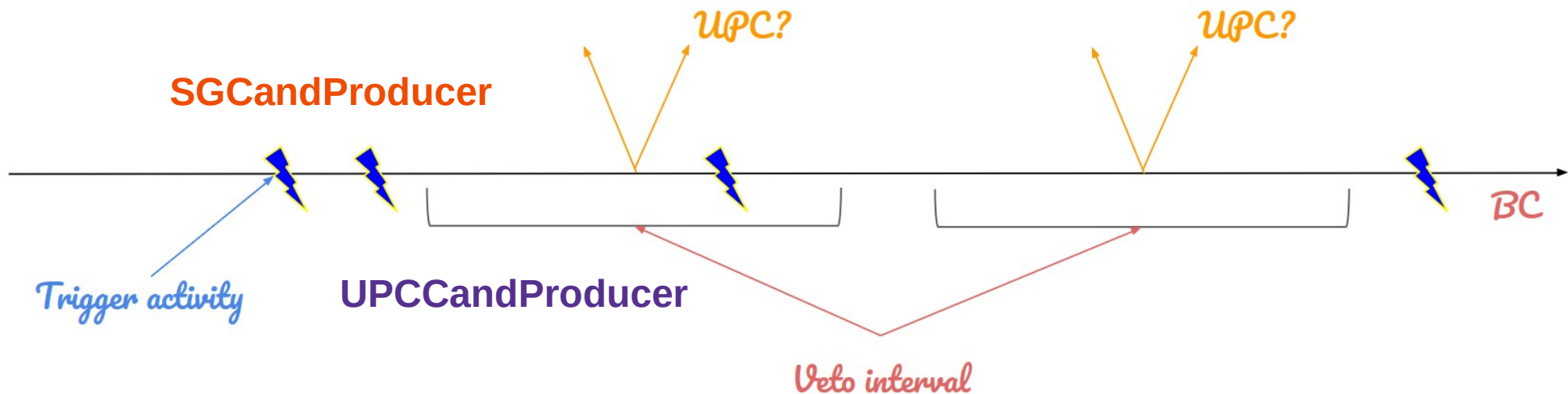
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→ If the nucleus breaks up in an event, then we save the detector's amplitudes for the bunch crossing in which it actually happened.

SGCandProducer vs UPCandProducer



SGCandProducer: Starts with the collision information

- Needs 2 tracks (Central Barrel) associated to a common vertex.
- Has some uncertainty in assigning BC from the collision

UPCandProducer: Starts with the BC information

- Not all BCs have an associated collision
- Particularly useful for Forward Tracks (Muon Arm) that do not create a vertex

Both producers create similar UD Tables as an output.

Running SGCandProducer locally

Needed:

- Successful O2Physics Installation
- Input file (AO2D.root)
- OutputDirector.json → Defines which derived data tables will be saved
- runsg.sh → shell script to actually run the producer
- Configuration.json → configuration file with the skimming parameters

Skimming parameters

- mNDtcoll col. time resolution used for ΔBC s = 1
- mMinNBCs min. value of ΔBC s = 2
- mITSOnlyTracks saving ITS-only tracks = 1
- m[Min,Max]NTracks min./max. number of PV tracks [2, 100]
- m[Min,Max]Pt min./max. track p_T [0.1 100] GeV
- m[Min,Max]Eta min./max. track η [-0.9, 0.9]
- mFITAmpLimits amplitude thresholds for FIT FT0A = 150
FT0C = 50

Skimming parameters are fixed for now...

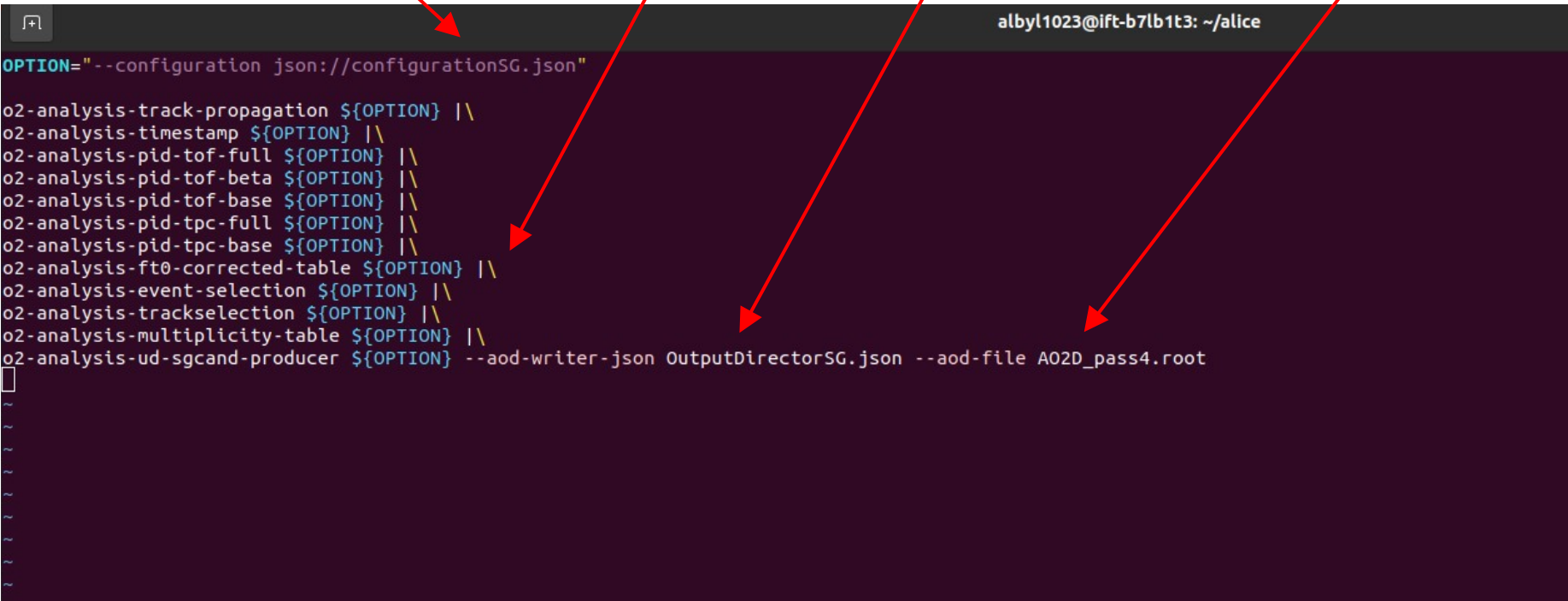
runsg.sh script

Configuration filename

Service wagons

OutputDirector name

Input Filename



The image shows a terminal window with a dark background and light-colored text. The terminal title bar reads "albyl1023@ift-b7lb1t3: ~/alice". The script content is as follows:

```
OPTION="--configuration json://configurationSG.json"

o2-analysis-track-propagation ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-timestamp ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-pid-tof-full ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-pid-tof-beta ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-pid-tof-base ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-pid-tpc-full ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-pid-tpc-base ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-ft0-corrected-table ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-event-selection ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-trackselection ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-multiplicity-table ${OPTION} | \
o2-analysis-ud-sgcond-producer ${OPTION} --aod-writer-json OutputDirectorSG.json --aod-file A02D_pass4.root
```

Four red arrows point from labels above to specific parts of the script:

- The arrow from "Configuration filename" points to the `json://configurationSG.json` part of the `OPTION` variable.
- The arrow from "Service wagons" points to the first wagon, `o2-analysis-track-propagation`.
- The arrow from "OutputDirector name" points to the `OutputDirectorSG.json` argument in the final command.
- The arrow from "Input Filename" points to the `A02D_pass4.root` argument in the final command.

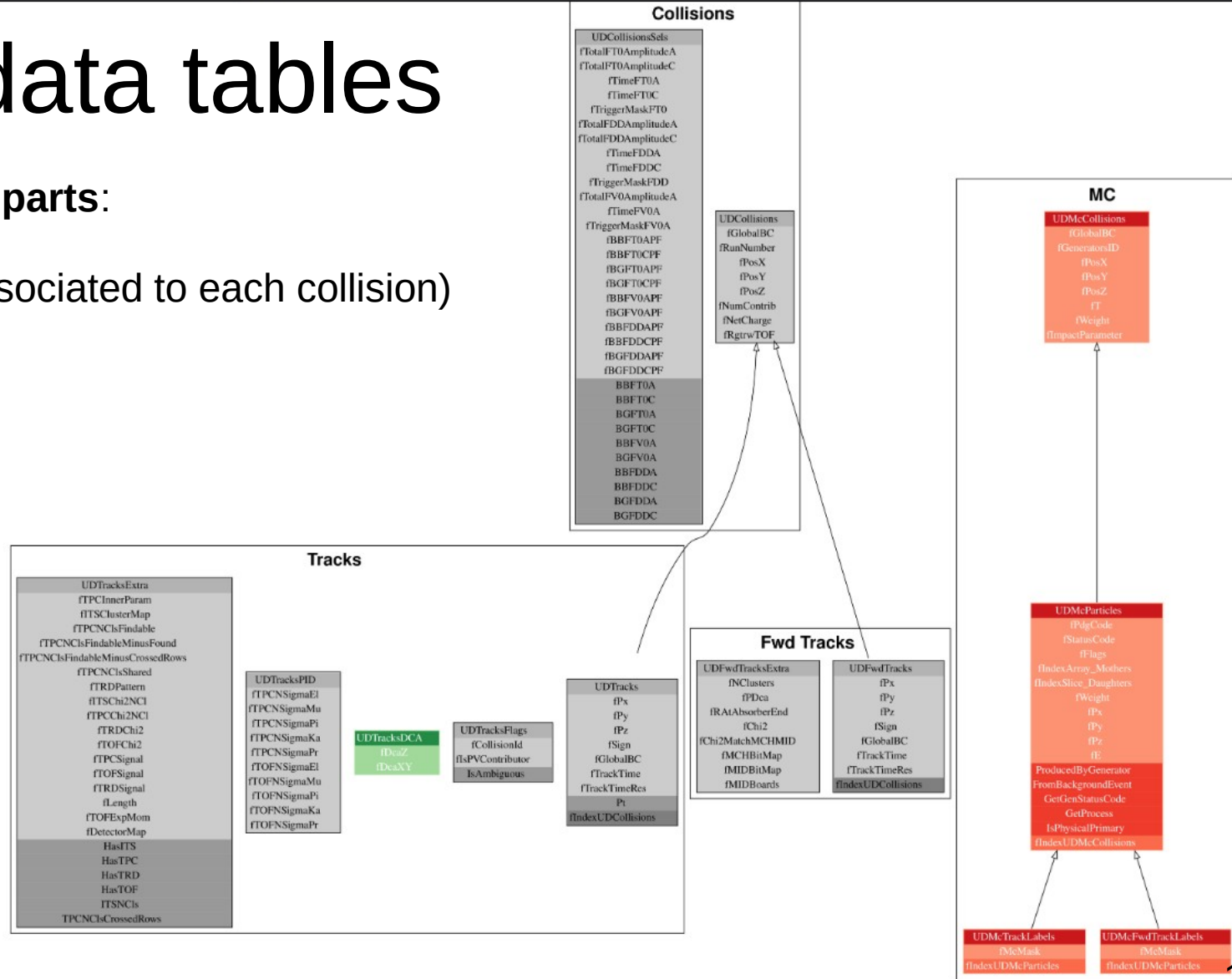
Derived data tables

Contain the following parts:

- Collision information
- Track information (associated to each collision)
- ZDC Tables

Optionally:

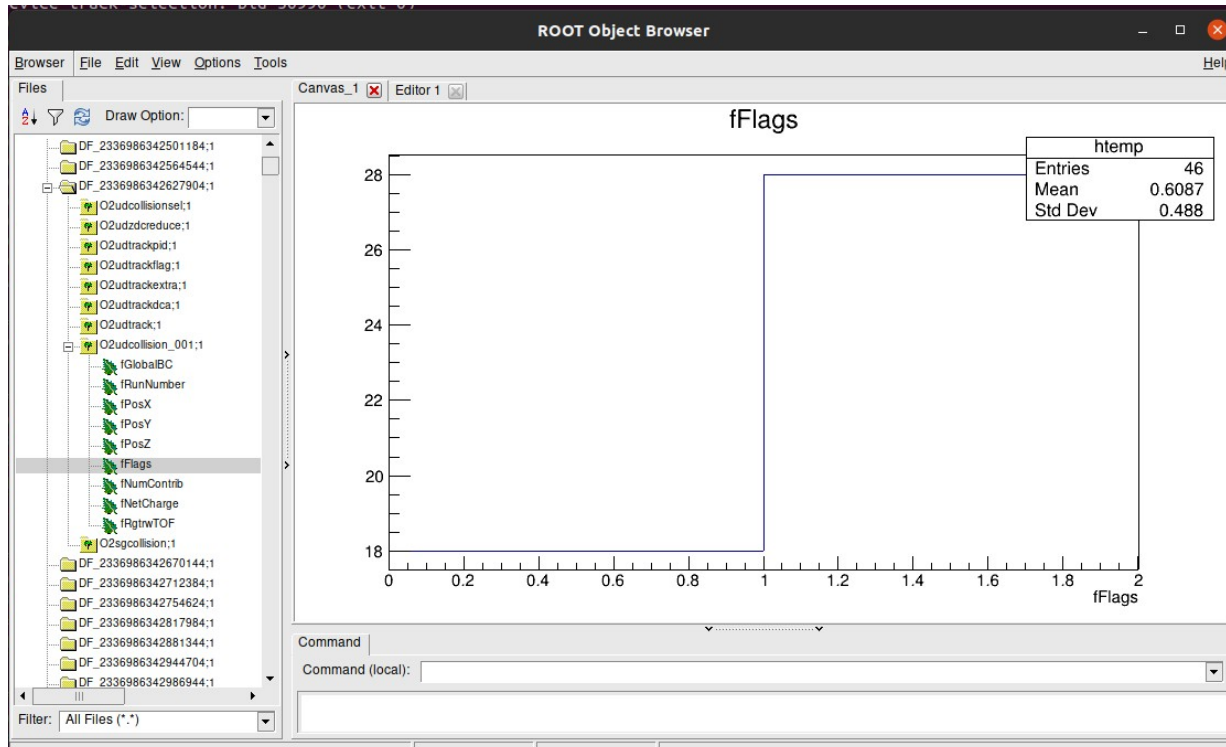
- Forward Tracks
- Monte Carlo Tables



Derived data tables **NB!**

UDCollision → UDCollision_001

in **pass2** we had a special **pass2_upc** reconstruction with special tracking parameters to increase tracking efficiency in low multiplicity events.



pass4 is just one reconstruction with UPC parameters used event-by-event based of the number of tracks.

Flag showing this is added to UDCollision table.

0 → standard setting

1 → UPC setting

UDCollisions Converter

O2Physics/PWGUD/TableProducer/Converters/UDCollisionsConverter.cxx

```
/// executable name o2-analysis-ud-collisions-converter

/// \author Sasha Bylinkin <alexandr.bylinkin@cern.ch>

#include "Framework/runDataProcessing.h"
#include "Framework/AnalysisTask.h"
#include "Framework/AnalysisDataModel.h"
#include "PWGUD/DataModel/UDTables.h"

using namespace o2;
using namespace o2::framework;

// Converts UDCollisions for version 000 to 001
struct UDCollisionsConverter {
  Produces<o2::aod::UDCollisions_001> udCollisions_001;

  void process(o2::aod::UDCollisions_000 const& collisions)
  {
    for (const auto& collision : collisions) {
      udCollisions_001(collision.globalBC(),
        collision.runNumber(),
        collision.posX(),
        collision.posY(),
        collision.posZ(),
        0.0f, // dummy UPC reco flag, not available in version 000
        collision.numContrib(),
        collision.netCharge(),
        collision.rgtrwT0F());
    }
  }
};

WorkflowSpec defineDataProcessing(ConfigContext const& cfgc)
{
  return WorkflowSpec{
    adaptAnalysisTask<UDCollisionsConverter>(cfgc),
  };
}
```

UD Collisions Converter is needed to convert old table from derived pass2_upc data into the new format.

Note the dummy reco flag.

It should be included as a dependency when you run your analysis task on the old derived data.

o2-analysis-ud-collisions-converter.

Hyperloop:

Service Wagon UD/UD_collisions_converter

OutputDirector.json

```
{
  "OutputDirector": {
    "debug_mode": true,
    "resfile": "A02D_SG_debug1",
    "OutputDescriptors": [
      {
        "table": "AOD/SGCOLLISION/0"
      },
      {
        "table": "AOD/UDCOLLISION/1"
      },
      {
        "table": "AOD/UDTRACKEXTRA/0"
      },
      {
        "table": "AOD/UDTRACKPID/0"
      },
      {
        "table": "AOD/UDCOLLISIONSEL/0"
      },
      {
        "table": "AOD/UDTRACKDCA/0"
      },
      {
        "table": "AOD/UDTRACK/0"
      },
      {
        "table": "AOD/UDZDCREDUCE/0"
      },
      {
        "table": "AOD/UDTRACKFLAG/0"
      }
    ],
    "ntfmerge": 1
  }
}
```

Output filename.

Saved tables.
Note the version (1).

Hyperloop:

Include the versioned table in the derived data

or you will get a warning!

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Save

Analysis Tools

- TrueGapFunction in
<https://github.com/AliceO2Group/O2Physics/blob/master/PWGUD/Core/SGSelector.h>
- TrackSelector
<https://github.com/AliceO2Group/O2Physics/blob/master/PWGUD/Core/SGTrackSelector.h>

TrueGap function

- `SGSelector.trueGap(CC& collision, float fv0, float ft0a, float ft0c, float zdc_cut)`
- Use on derived data to refine Gap selections
 - One can further restrict FIT thresholds and also add ZDC selections
 - Allows to distinguish further between $0n0n$, $0nXn$, $Xn0n$, $XnXn$ classes, for example

TrueGap function

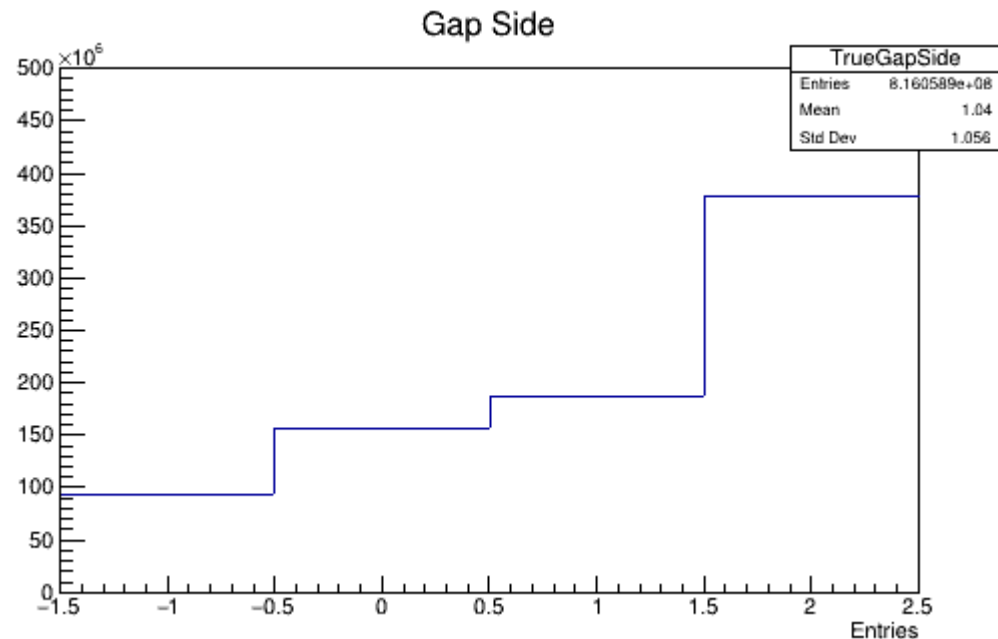
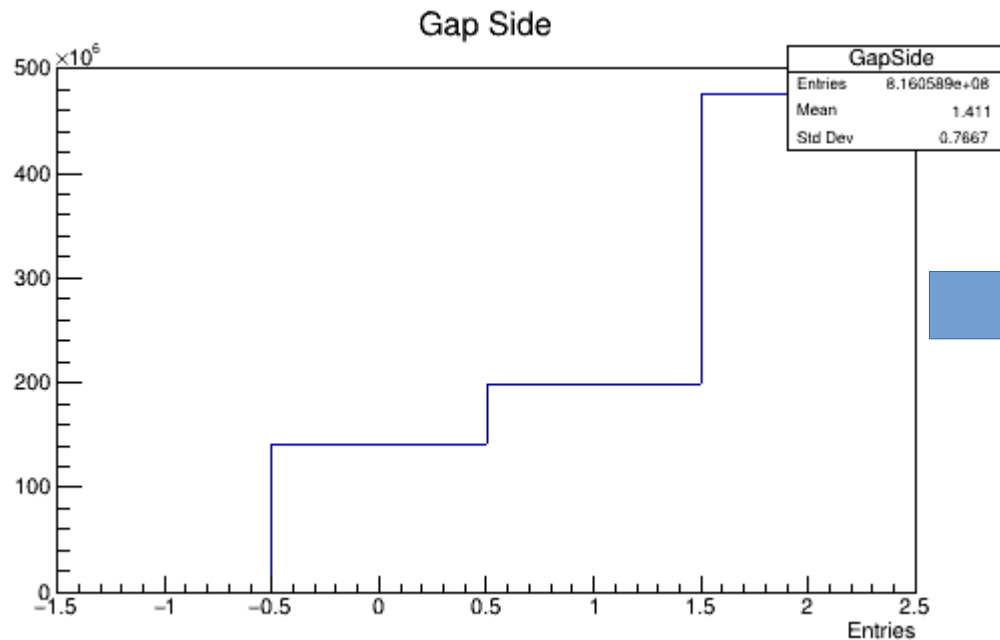
```
template <typename CC>
int trueGap(CC& collision, float fv0, float ft0a, float ft0c, float zdc_cut)
{
    float fit_cut[3] = {fv0, ft0a, ft0c};
    int gap = collision.gapSide();
    int true_gap = gap;
    float FV0A, FT0A, FT0C, ZNA, ZNC;
    FV0A = collision.totalFV0AmplitudeA();
    FT0A = collision.totalFT0AmplitudeA();
    FT0C = collision.totalFT0AmplitudeC();
    ZNA = collision.energyCommonZNA();
    ZNC = collision.energyCommonZNC();
    if (gap == 0) {
        if (FV0A > fit_cut[0] || FT0A > fit_cut[1] || ZNA > zdc_cut)
            true_gap = -1;
    } else if (gap == 1) {
        if (FT0C > fit_cut[2] || ZNC > zdc_cut)
            true_gap = -1;
    } else if (gap == 2) {
        if ((FV0A > fit_cut[0] || FT0A > fit_cut[1] || ZNA > zdc_cut) && (FT0C > fit_cut[2] || ZNC > zdc_cut))
            true_gap = -1;
        else if ((FV0A > fit_cut[0] || FT0A > fit_cut[1] || ZNA > zdc_cut) && (FT0C <= fit_cut[2] && ZNC <= zdc_cut))
            true_gap = 1;
        else if ((FV0A <= fit_cut[0] && FT0A <= fit_cut[1] && ZNA <= zdc_cut) && (FT0C > fit_cut[2] || ZNC > zdc_cut))
            true_gap = 0;
        else if (FV0A <= fit_cut[0] && FT0A <= fit_cut[1] && ZNA <= zdc_cut && FT0C <= fit_cut[2] && ZNC <= zdc_cut)
            true_gap = 2;
        else
            std::cout << "Something wrong with DG" << std::endl;
    }
    return true_gap;
}
```

Compares the saved FIT and ZDC info vs new thresholds (should be more strict to have any effect)

And returns the integer value defining the new gap side
*see next slide.

TrueGap function

```
int truegapSide = sgSelector.trueGap(collision, FIT_cut[0], FIT_cut[1], FIT_cut[2], ZDC_cut);
```



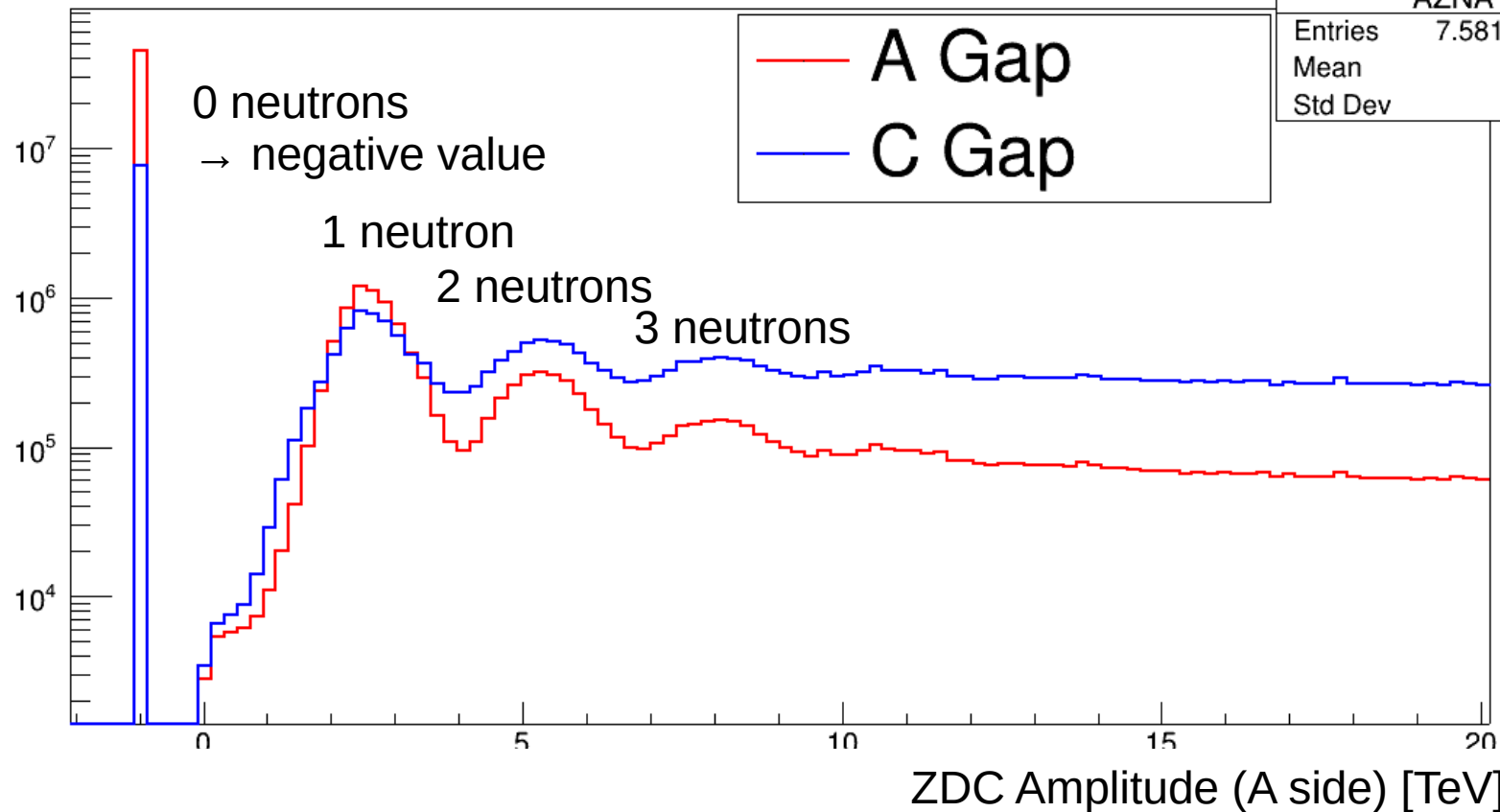
- 0 – A-side Gap
- 1 – C-side Gap
- 2 – Double Gap
- 1 – No Gap

Changing the classification of events when analyzing derived data.

ZDC Amplitudes

A Gap

AZNA	
Entries	7.581627e+07
Mean	0.9363
Std Dev	4.196



No pedestal in ZDCs @Run 3

TrueGap function: ZDC Classes

```
int truegapSide1 = sgSelector.trueGap(collision, FIT_cut[0], FIT_cut[1], FIT_cut[2], 1000);
```

→ Refine selection with new FIT thresholds.

No ZDC cut ↑

```
int truegapSide2 = sgSelector.trueGap(collision, FIT_cut[0], FIT_cut[1], FIT_cut[2], 0.1);
```

→ Call trueGap function the second time now with ZDC cut.

Any ZDC signal ↑

TruegapSide1 == 2: UPC event.

truegapSide2 == 0: 0nXn

0 – A-side Gap

truegapSide2 == 1: Xn0n

1 – C-side Gap

truegapSide2 == 2: 0n0n

2 – Double Gap

truegapSide2 == -1: XnXn

-1 – No Gap

TrueGap function doesn't remove events from the data sample, so could be called multiple times from your analysis task.

→ One can call with several ZDC Cuts: i.e. 4, 7, 9 – to further distinguish 1n, 2n, 3n classes.

Track Selector

Task to simplify and standardize the track selection over all analyses.

Track selection parameters are set as configurables in the analysis task:

```
Configurable<float> PV_cut{"PV_cut", 0.0, "Use Only PV tracks"};  
Configurable<float> dcaZ_cut{"dcaZ_cut", 2.0, "dcaZ cut"};  
Configurable<float> dcaXY_cut{"dcaXY_cut", 2.0, "dcaXY cut (0 for Pt-function)"};  
Configurable<float> tpcChi2_cut{"tpcChi2_cut", 4, "Max tpcChi2NCL"};  
Configurable<float> tpcNClsFindable_cut{"tpcNClsFindable_cut", 70, "Min tpcNClsFindable"};  
Configurable<float> itsChi2_cut{"itsChi2_cut", 36, "Max itsChi2NCL"};  
Configurable<float> eta_cut{"eta_cut", 0.9, "Track Pseudorapidity"};  
Configurable<float> pt_cut{"pt_cut", 0.1, "Track Pt"};
```

Then the pointer to the track is passed in the analysis task:

```
std::vector<float> parameters = {PV_cut, dcaZ_cut, dcaXY_cut, tpcChi2_cut,  
                                tpcNClsFindable_cut, itsChi2_cut, eta_cut, pt_cut};
```

```
bool isGoodTrack = trackselector(t0, parameters);
```

Track pointer

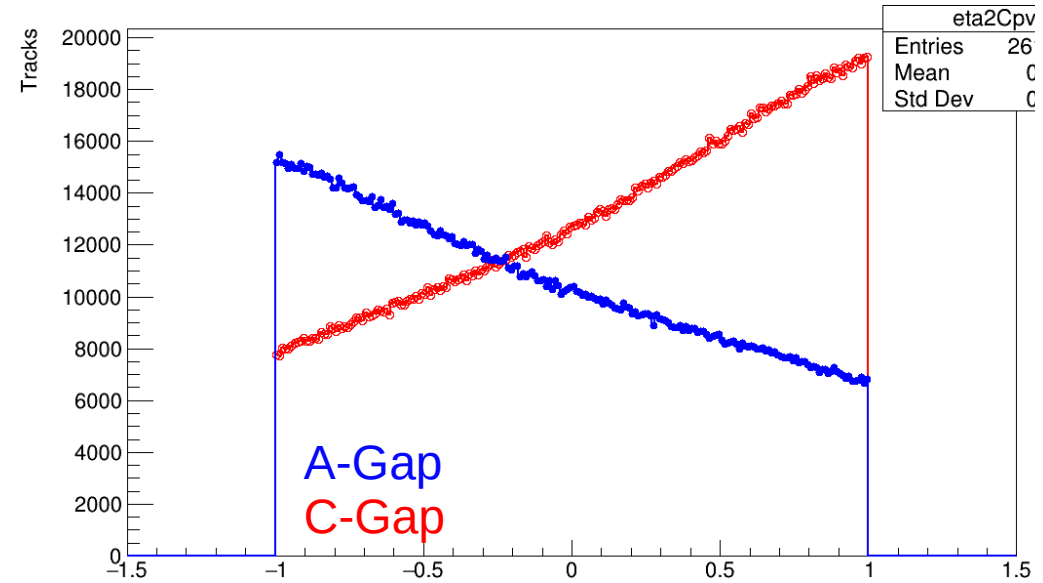
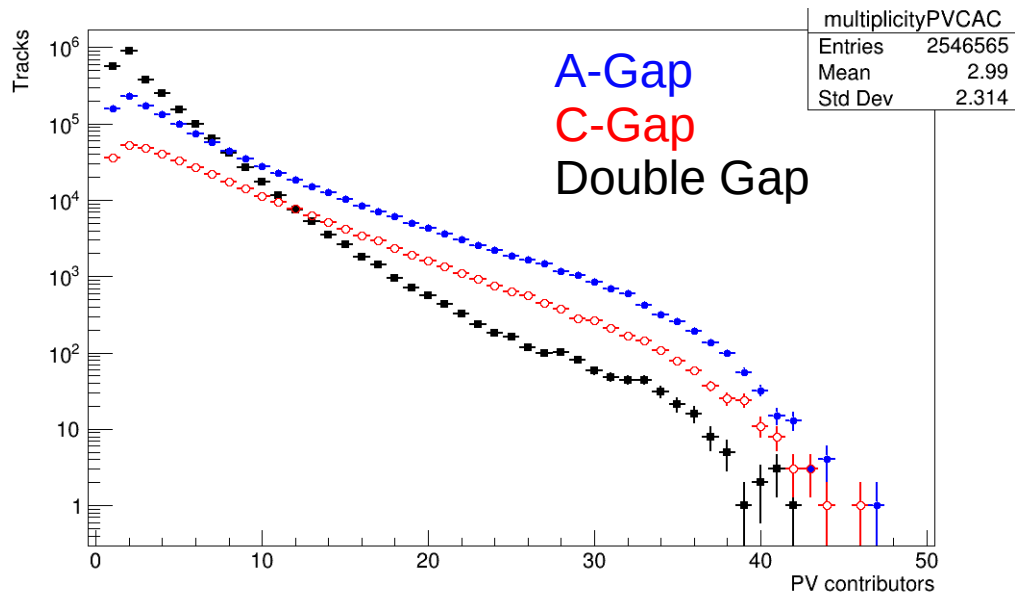


Array of parameter values



Backup

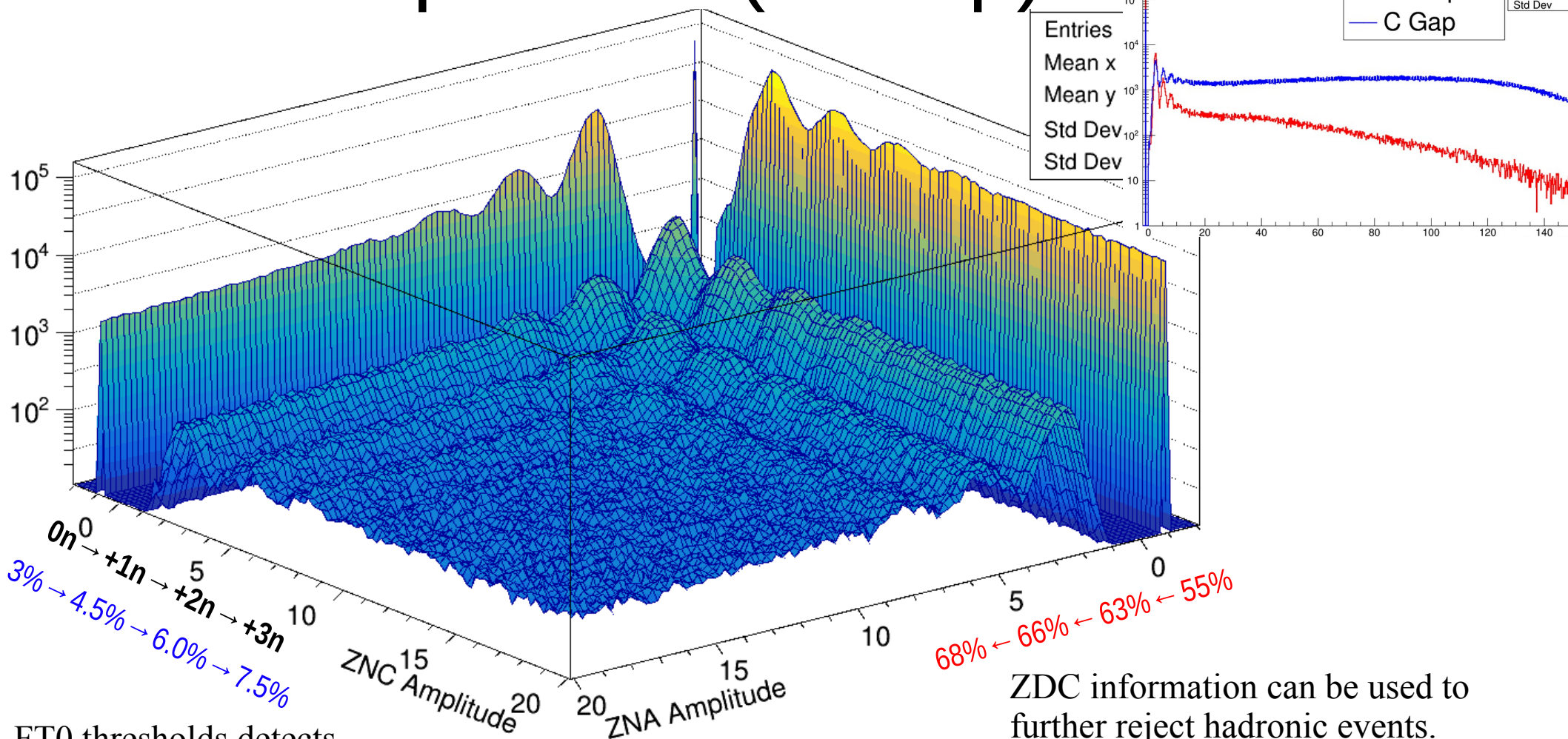
Multiplicity and Rapidity distributions



Multiplicities go to higher values with a visible difference between Single Gap and Double Gap events.

Nice asymmetric distributions!

ZDC Amplitudes (A-Gap)



FT0 thresholds detects active events rather well.

ZDC information can be used to further reject hadronic events.

On derived data!