



Study of multi-muon events at CDF

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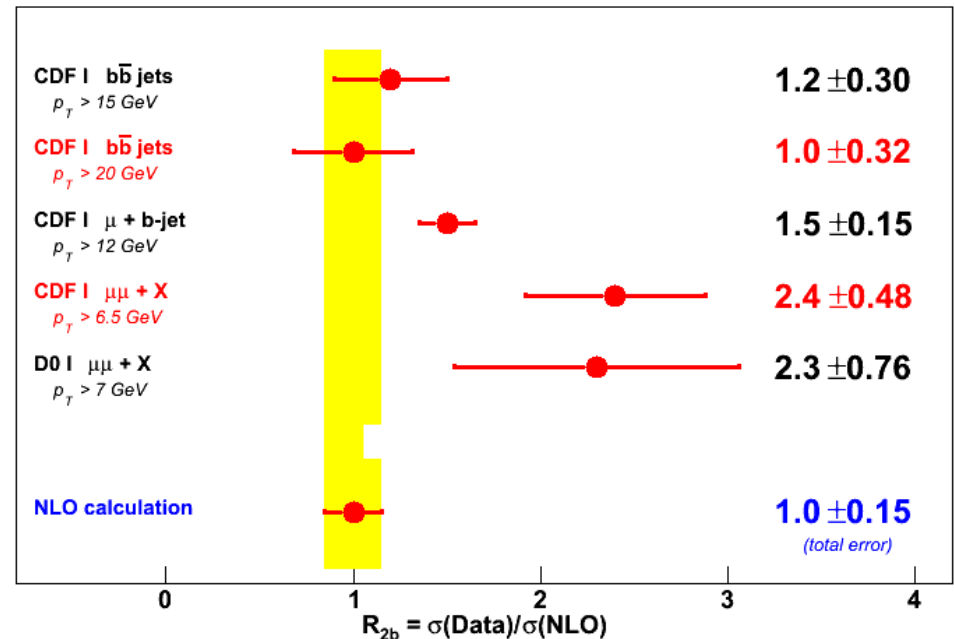
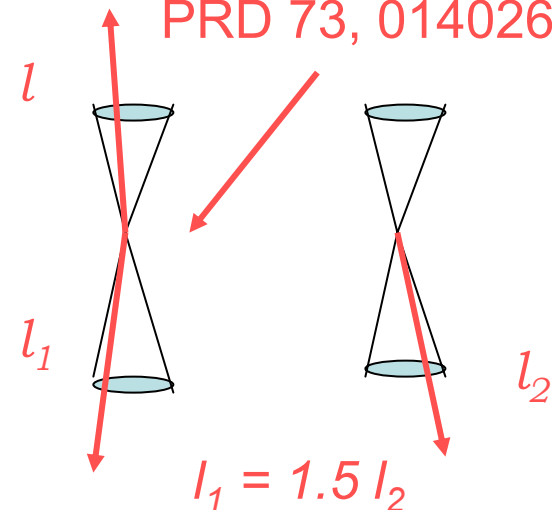
Analysis motivated by long-standing and well known inconsistencies related to the $b\bar{b}$ production and decay




- First inconsistency -
- The correlated bb production cross section when heavy flavors are identified via their semileptonic decays
- Typical analyses, as the present one, use events acquired with 2 muons with $p_T > 3 \text{ GeV}/c$, $|\eta| < 0.7$. Several CDF, D0, and UA1 measurements
- σ_{bb} is measured to be much larger than the NLO prediction and the corresponding measurements that select b quarks with secondary vertex identification – measurements with leptons are old and not as precise as those with secondary vertices

PRD 69, 072004 (2004)

PRD 73, 014026 (2006)

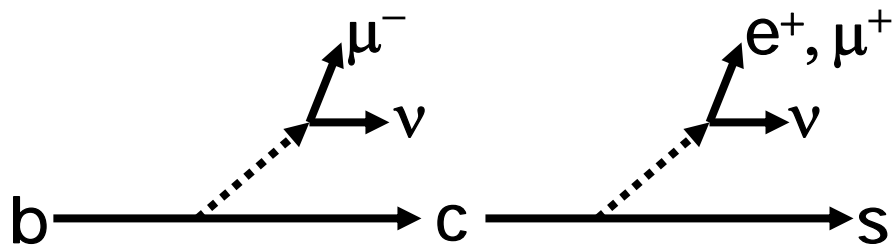


$$\bar{\chi} = \frac{\Gamma(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{B}^0 \rightarrow l^+ X)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow l^+ X)} = \frac{\text{"same sign"}}{\text{"total"}}, \quad B^0 = B_d^0 \text{ or } B_s^0$$


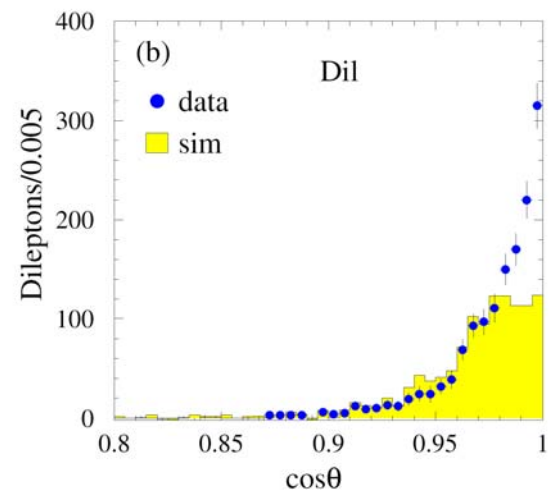
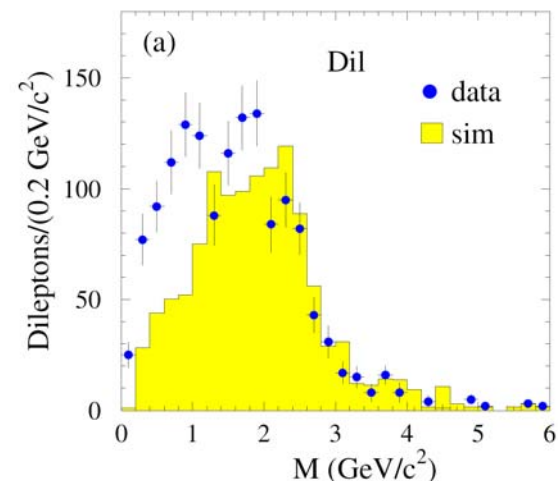
- **Second inconsistency**
- $\bar{\chi}$, the integrated mixing probability of the b-hadron mixture, is measured to be higher at hadron colliders than at LEP (0.15 vs 0.12)
- Measured from the ratio of SS/OS dileptons
- the CDF measurement is as precise as the LEP measurements combined

PRD 69, 012002 (2004)

The PDG conclusion is that the b-hadron mixtures must be different !



- **Third inconsistency**
- The cross section of sequential semileptonic decays of single b quarks is underestimated by the theoretical prediction. In the data, the opening angle and invariant mass distributions are different from what predicted by the standard HERWIG (PYTHIA) + EVTGEN (QQ) simulations
- Accurate measurement Mostly $e \mu$

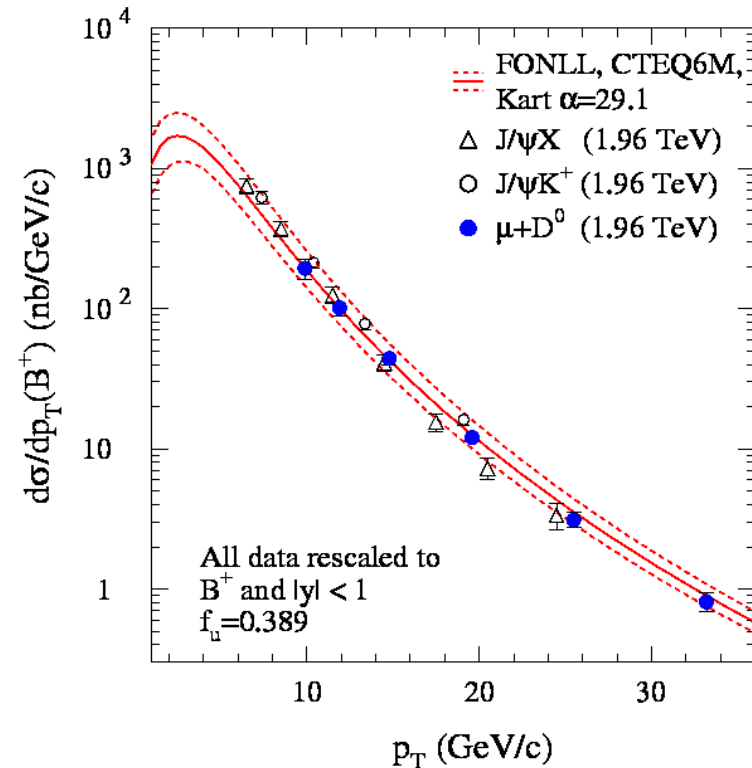


PRD 72, 072002 (2005)

Additional confusion – clearing the fog



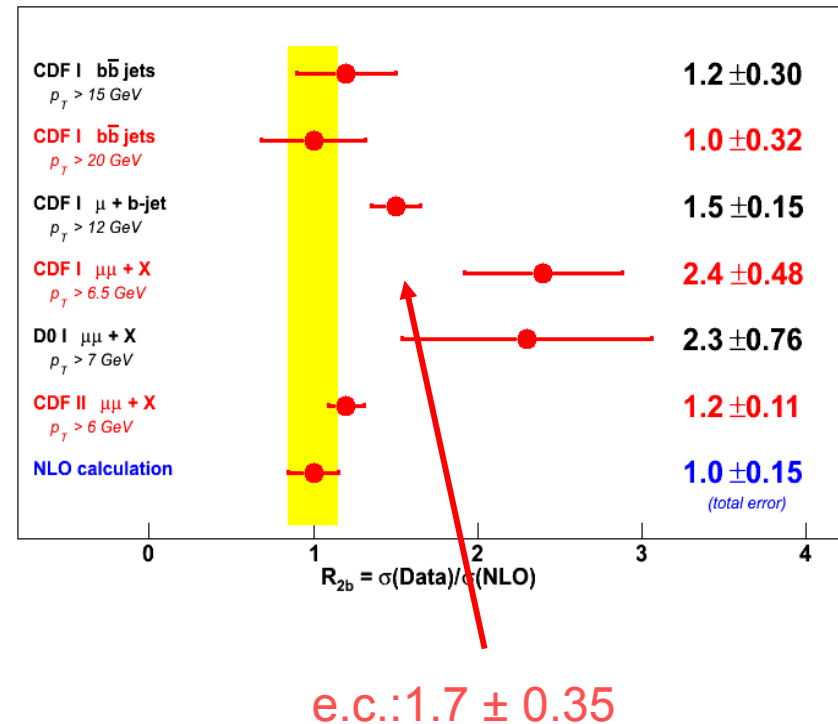
- Run I CDF and D0 measurements of the single b quark production cross section were also inconsistent between themselves, but also not extremely accurate - [PRD 73,014026 \(2006\)](#)
- Which inconsistencies are not experimental mistakes and worth investigating?
- All of them. Many new measurements:
 - J/psi PRD 71, 03201 (2005)
 - J/psi K [PRD 75, 012010 \(2007\)](#)
 - μ D⁰ submitted for publication
- All the new measurements have 10% accuracy –
All inconsistencies in the single b quark cross section are gone



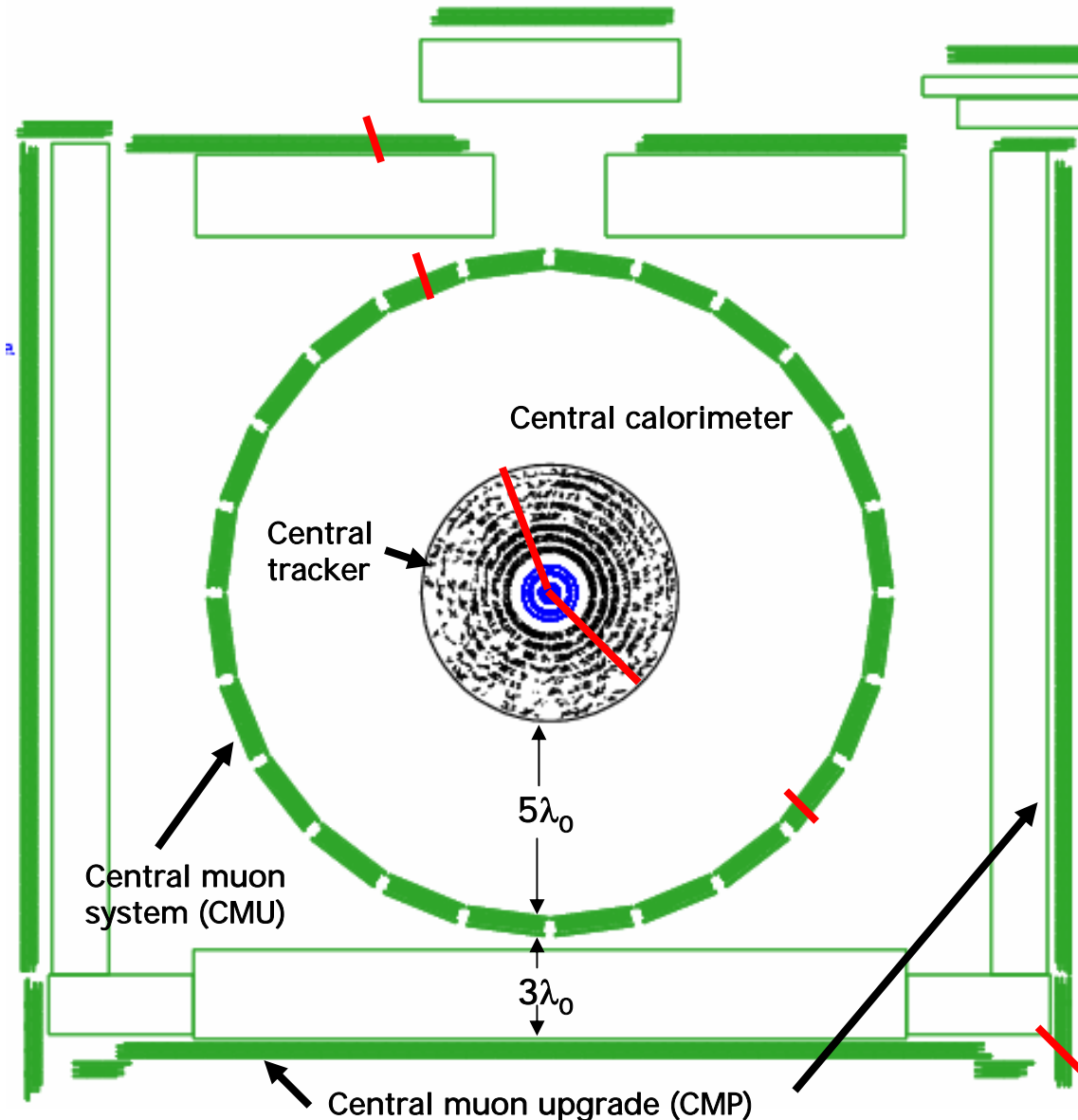
Connecting the dots



- **PRD 77, 072004 (2008)** – a new CDF measurement of σ_{bb} using a dimuon data set. We use events which contain at least 2 CMUP muons with $p_T > 3$ GeV/c, $|\eta| < 0.7$
- The measurement makes use of the precision tracking provided by the silicon microvertex detector
- The new measurement is very accurate
- The new cross section value agrees with the NLO prediction and measurements that use secondary vertex identification
- The new cross section value is appreciable smaller than previous results

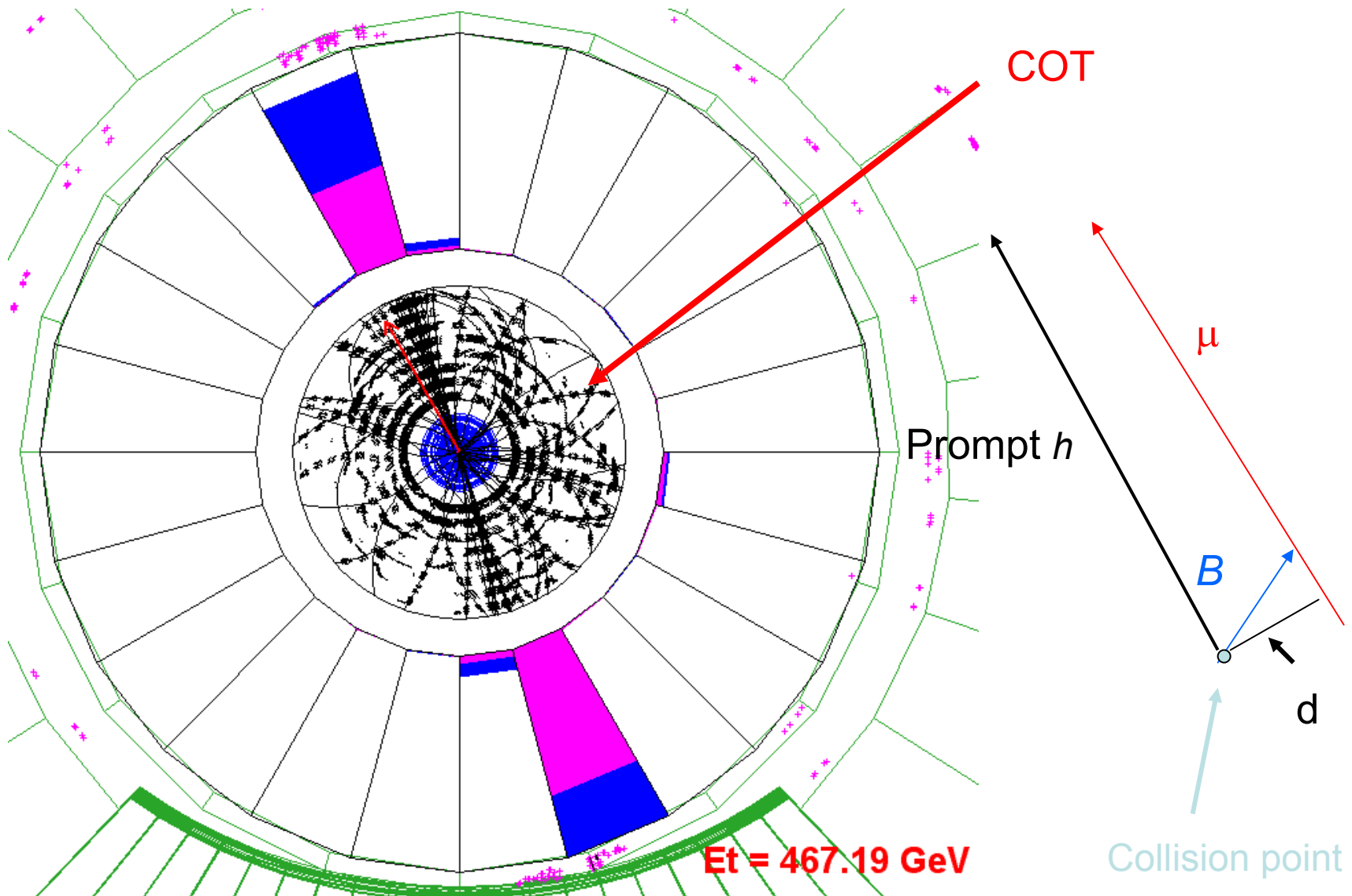


Da CDF detector



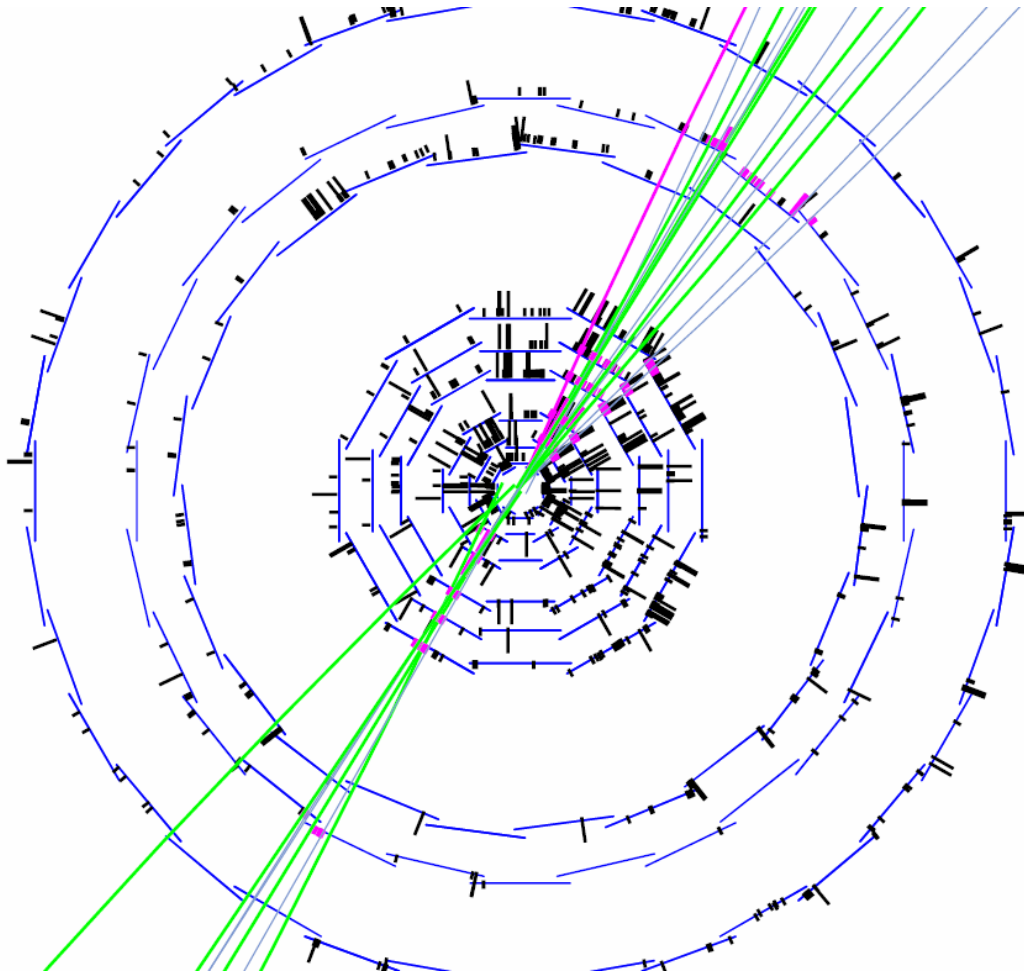
- Utilize data sample defined by a dimuon trigger.
- Each muon:
 - Central track, $p_T > 3$ GeV
 - Match to stub in CMU
 - Match to stub in CMP
- Dimuon pair
 - $m_{mm} > 5$ GeV to get rid of sequential ($b \rightarrow c\mu$ with $c \rightarrow s\mu$) decays

Da CDF detector



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SVX



Collision point rms $3 \mu\text{m}$

d rms

COT $230 \mu\text{m}$

COT+ ≥ 3 SVX hits $30 \mu\text{m}$

L00

L0

L1

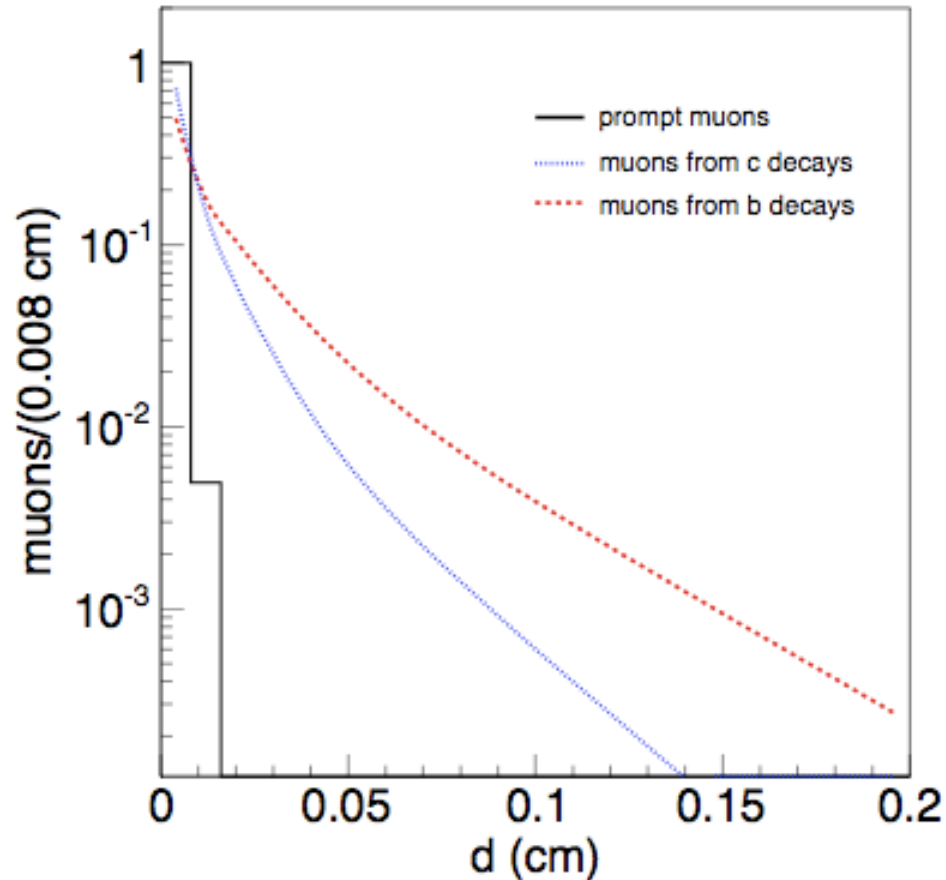
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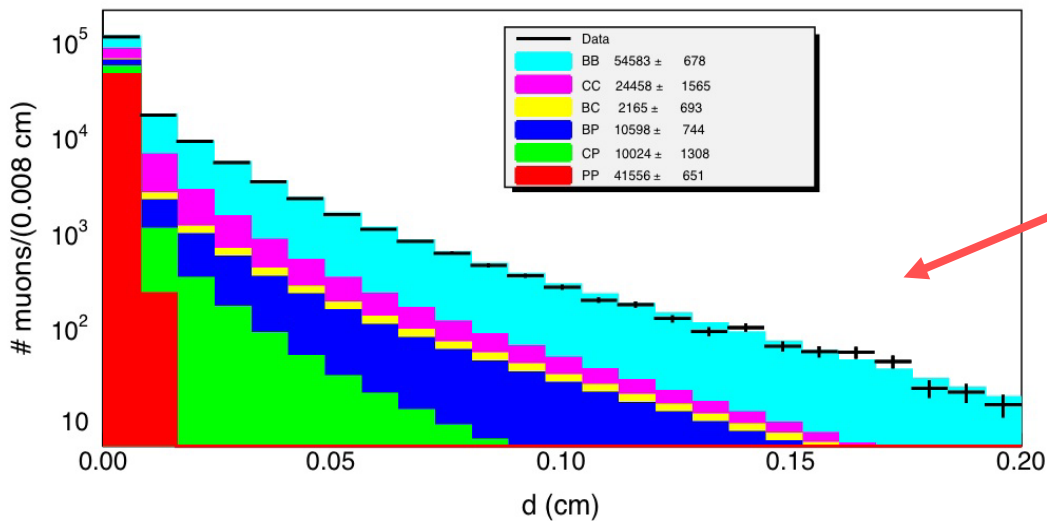
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Experimental method



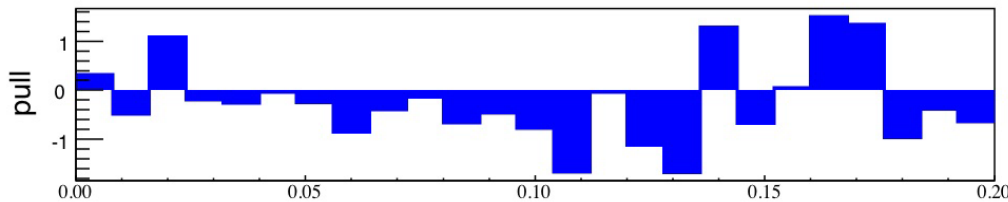
- Known sources of dimuons are semileptonic decays of **b** ($c\tau = 470 \mu\text{m}$) and **c** ($c\tau = 210 \mu\text{m}$) quarks + prompt muons (Y, Drell-Yan). In addition, there is a contribution of muons mimicked by hadrons that are prompt or arise from h.f. decays.
- The procedure to extract σ_{bb} is to fit the two-dimensional distribution of the muon impact parameters with templates for the different components derived from data or heavy flavor simulations





QCD contribution
contribution

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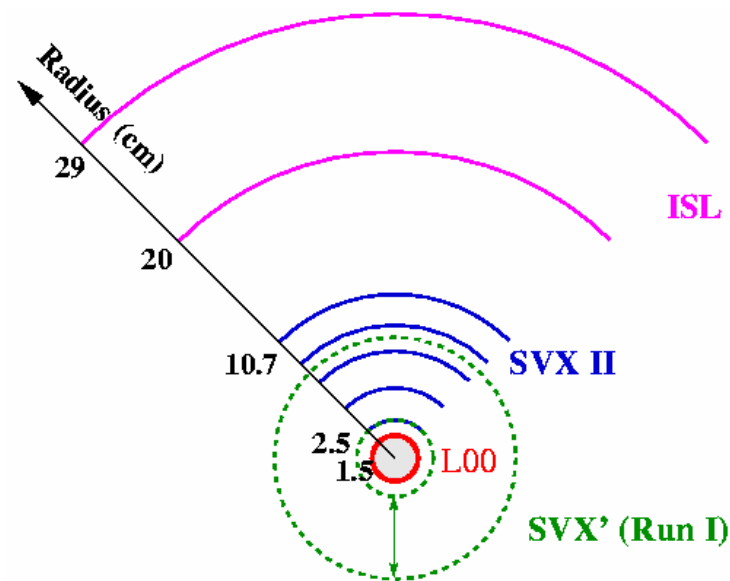
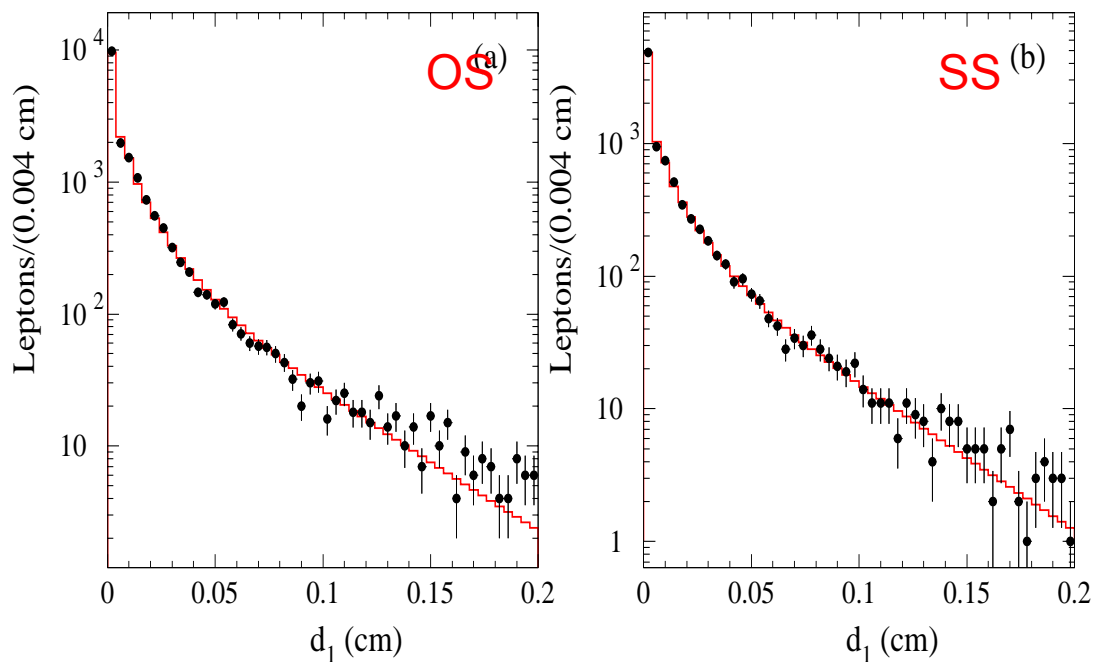


742 pb⁻¹

- The new measurement uses tight SVX requirements (L00, L0, and 2 out of the remaining 4 SVX layers)
- Ad hoc selection chosen to fit the data with the templates from various sources
- We could model the data at large impact parameters only by requiring the presence of L00 and L0 – the request of any 4 layers was not good enough
- A bit of a mystery at the beginning, until we realized that the tight SVX selection requires that both muons originate inside the beam pipe



- Traditionally CDF measurements use **loose SVX** requirements (3 out of 8 SVX+ISL layers) – they accept muons originating from distances as large as 10.6 cm from the beam line
- Run I analyses accepted muons originating from distances as large as 5.7 cm from the beam line

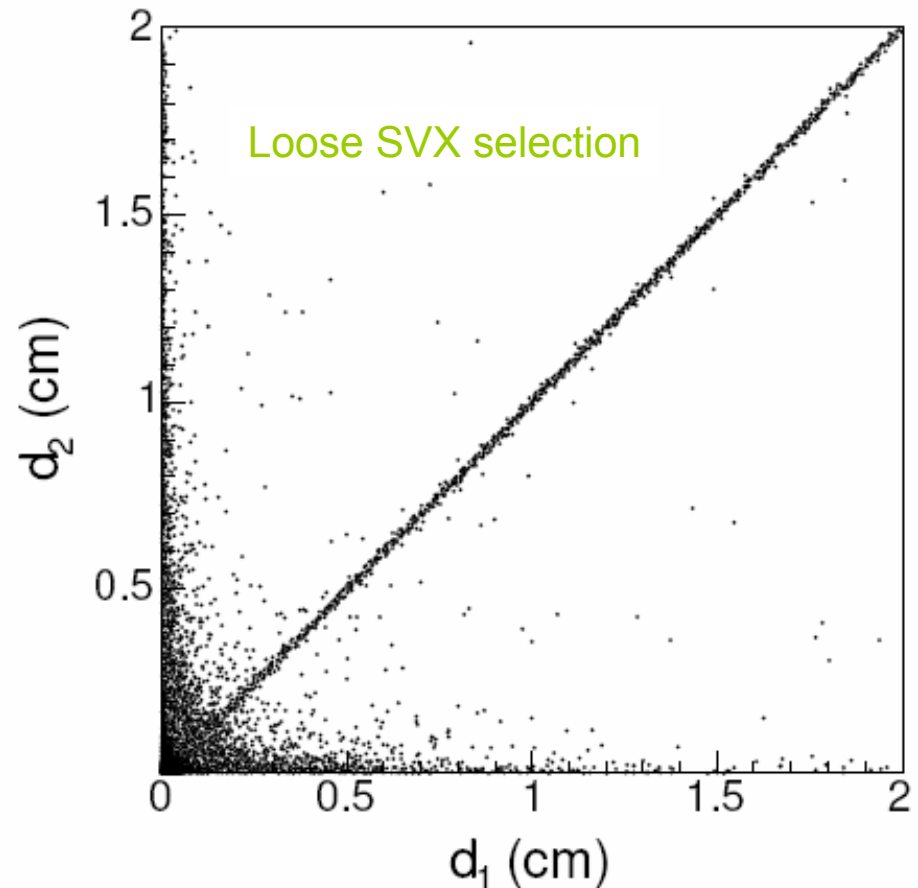
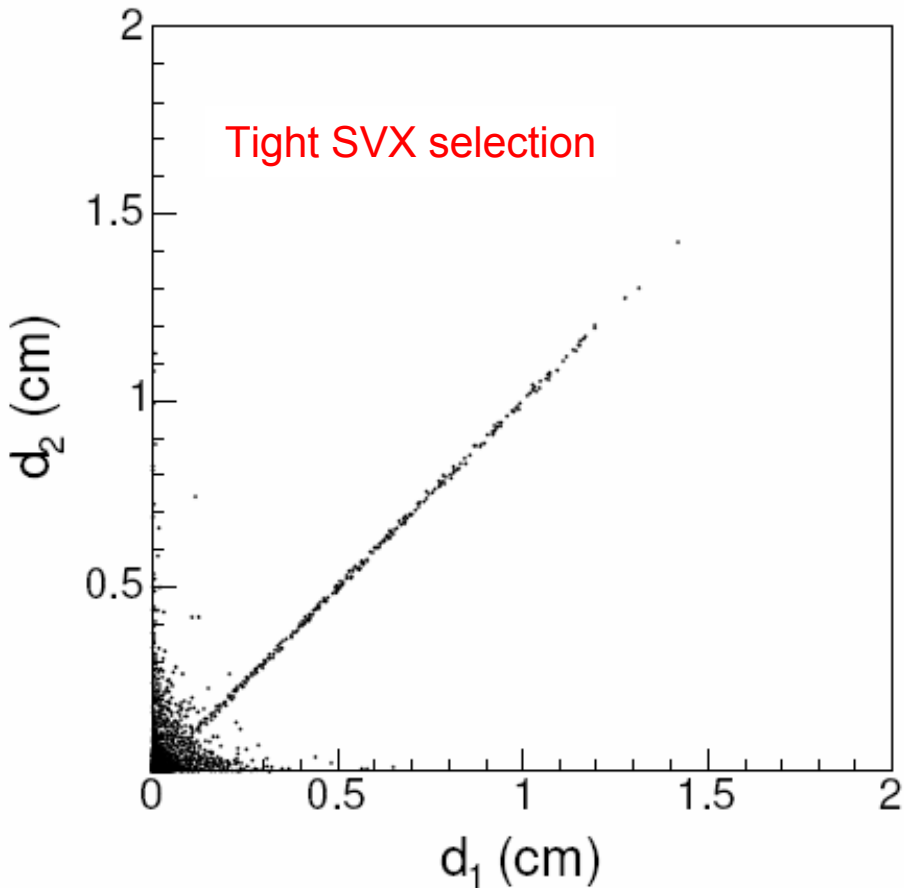


Run I $\overline{\chi}$ measurement

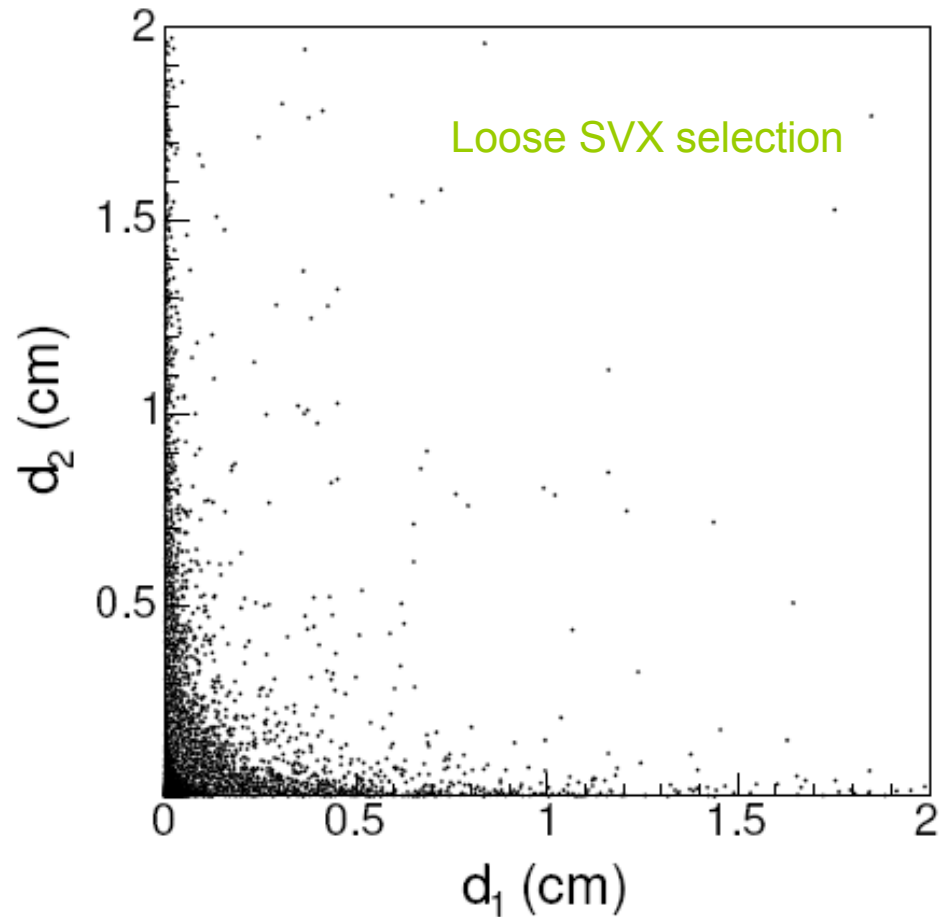
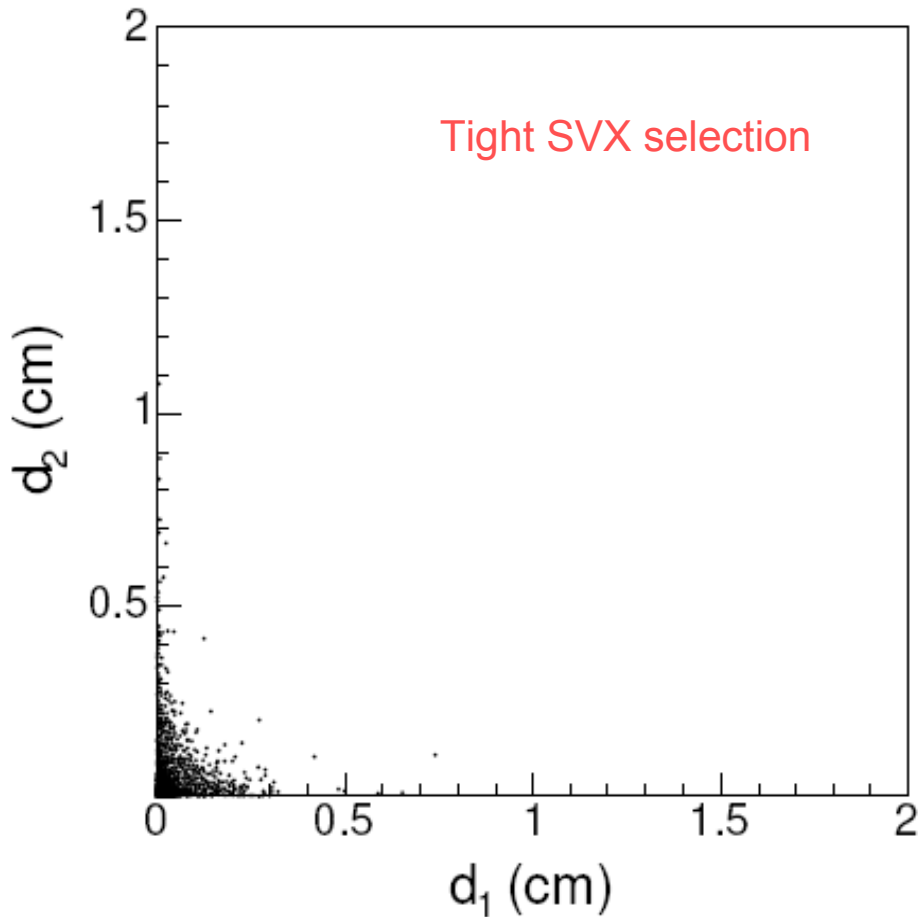
Cosmic rays overlapping $p\bar{p}$ interactions



According to the simulation, 96% of the QCD events have two muons originating inside the beam pipe



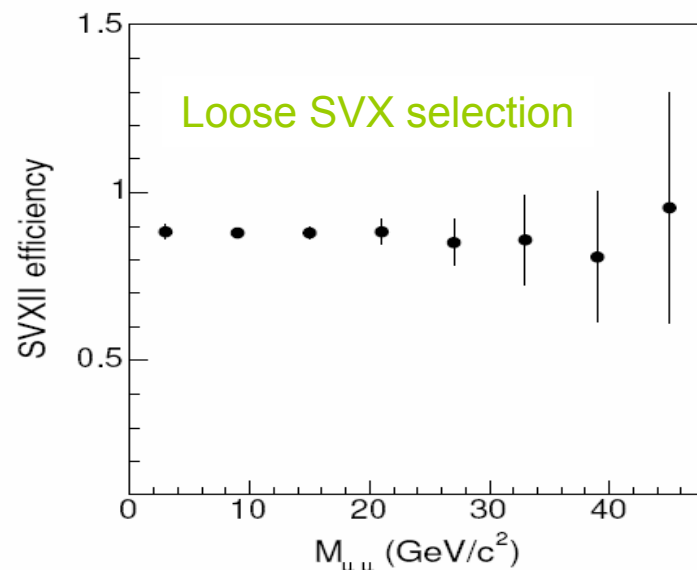
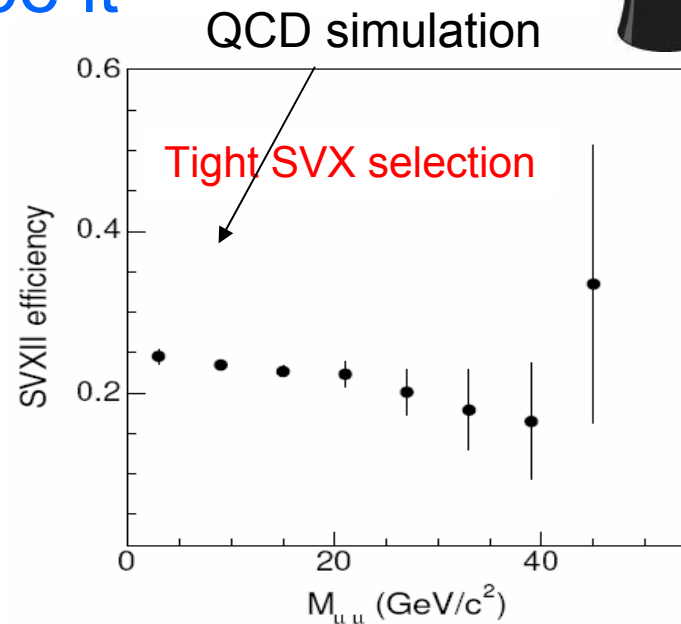
Result of the different SVX requirements on the dimuon sample



Efficiency of the tight SVX selection and how many events escape it



- We can evaluate the efficiency of the tight SVX selection by using control samples of data
- The efficiency of the tight SVX selection for prompt muons (Y, D-Y) is geometrical $\varepsilon = 0.257 \pm 0.004$
- For heavy flavor the efficiency is $\varepsilon = 0.237 \pm 0.001$ (high p_T h.f. hadrons)
 - verified with J/ψ mesons from B decays, J/ψ K, and muons accompanied by D^0 mesons
- Using the sample composition determined by the IP fit, one predicts that the average efficiency in this data set is $\varepsilon = 0.244 \pm 0.002$
- The efficiency of the loose SVX selection is $\varepsilon = 0.88 \pm 0.01$



Number of ghost events

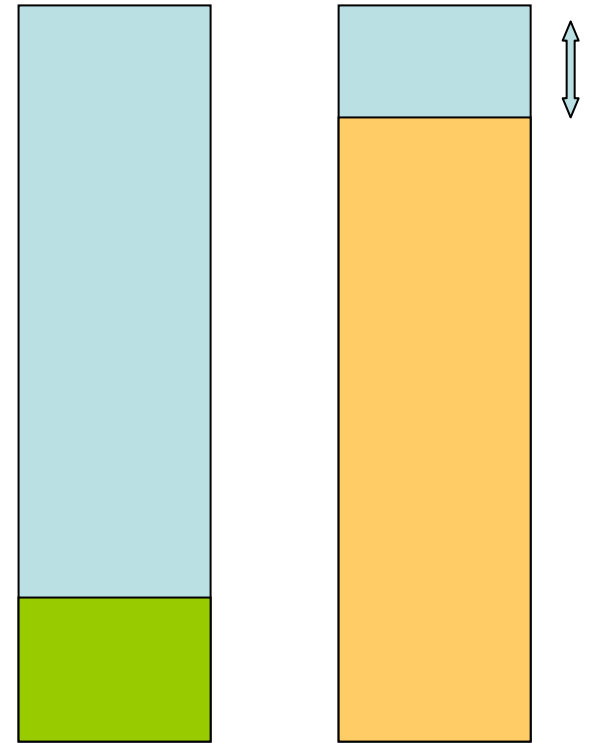


- The efficiency of the tight SVX selection in the dimuon data set is $\varepsilon=0.1930\pm 0.0004$ instead of expected $\varepsilon=0.244\pm 0.002$ (79%)
- The dimuon sample contains a large background (**ghost**) that is suppressed by the tight SVX selection more than the QCD contribution.
- Start by assuming that ghost events are totally removed by the tight SVX selection
- Size of the ghosts : $\text{Data} - \text{SVX}/(\varepsilon=0.244\pm 0.002)$, where SVX is the QCD contribution passing the tight SVX selection
- The size of ghost events that eventually pass the loose SVX selection: $\text{Data} - \text{SVX}/(\varepsilon=0.244\pm 0.002) * (\varepsilon=0.88\pm 0.01)$

All dimuons



Dimuons that pass loose SVX selection

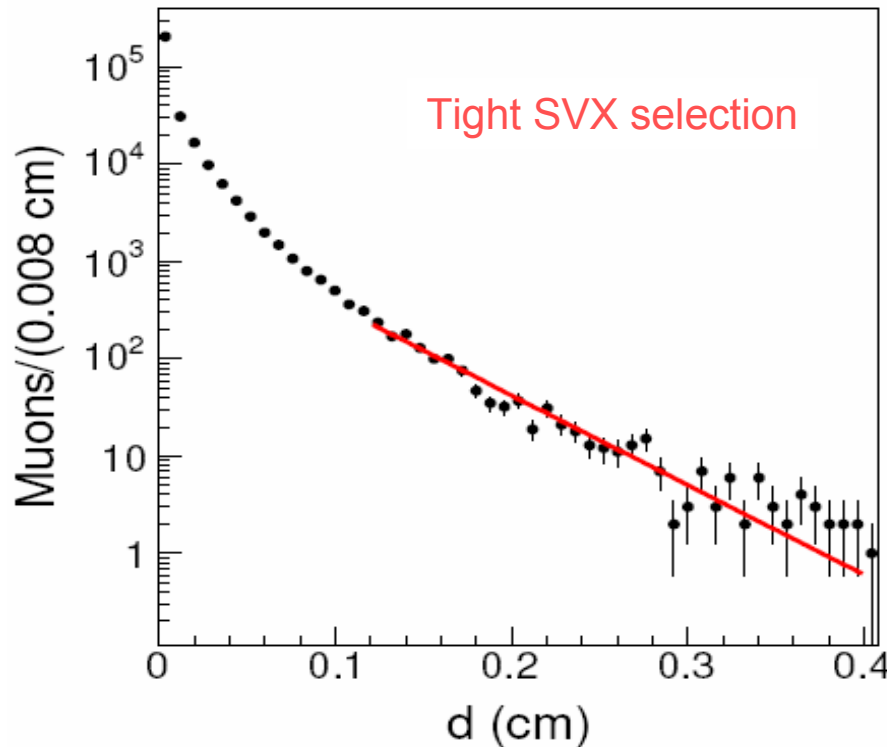


Dimuons that pass tight SVX selection

 QCD =  $/\epsilon=0.244$

 QCD =  $/\epsilon=0.244 * e = 0.88$

Reasonable assumption



$$c\tau = 469.7 \pm 1.3 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\text{PDG: } 470.1 \pm 2.7$$

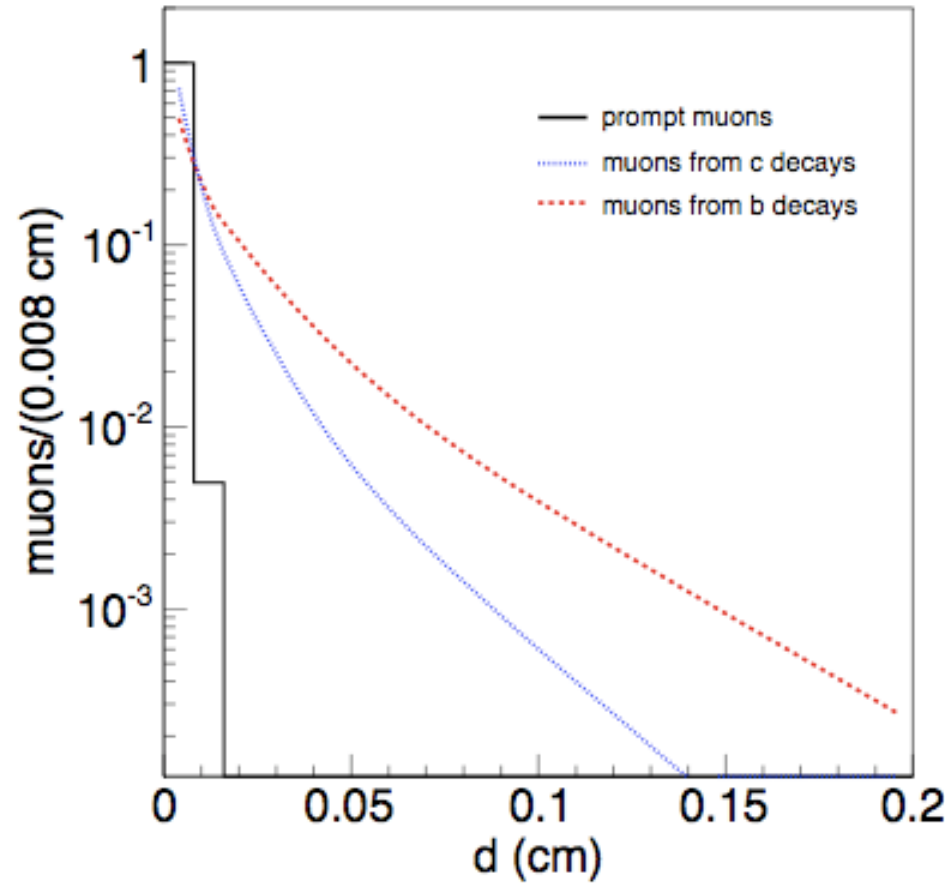
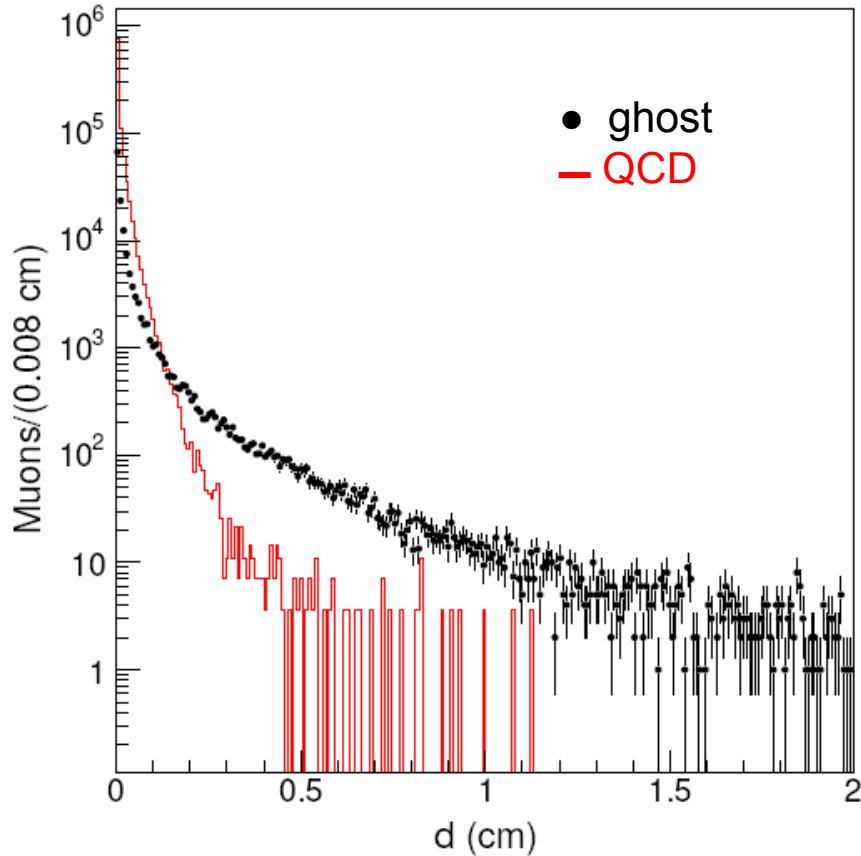
Bottom data are not appreciably contaminated by the ghost ghost events

Bottom contribution exhausted beyond 0.5 cm

The acceptance does not depend on the IP ap to distances ~ 0.6 cm – We also know it from the simulation

Charmed quark contribution contribution exhausted beyond 0.12 cm

IP distribution in QCD and ghost events



Loose SVX selection

Plausible explanation for previous inconsistencies of b cross section and integrated mixing measurements



Type	No SVX	Tight SVX	Loose SVX
All	743006	143743	590970
All OS		98218	392020
All SS		45525	198950
QCD	589111 ± 4829	143743	518417 ± 7264
QCD OS		98218	354228 ± 4963
QCD SS		45525	164188 ± 2301
Ghost	153895 ± 4829	0	72553 ± 7264
Ghost OS		0	37792 ± 4963
Ghost SS		0	34762 ± 2301

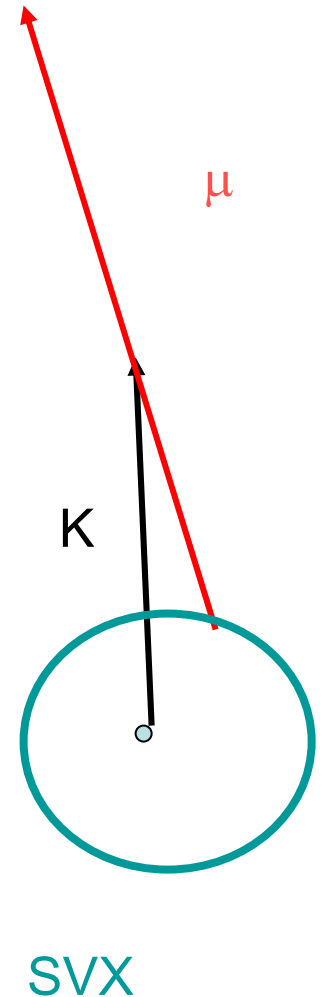
742 pb⁻¹, 221564 ± 11615 $b\bar{b}$ events with no SVX and 194976 ± 10458 with loose SVX requirements

Revisiting our ignorance

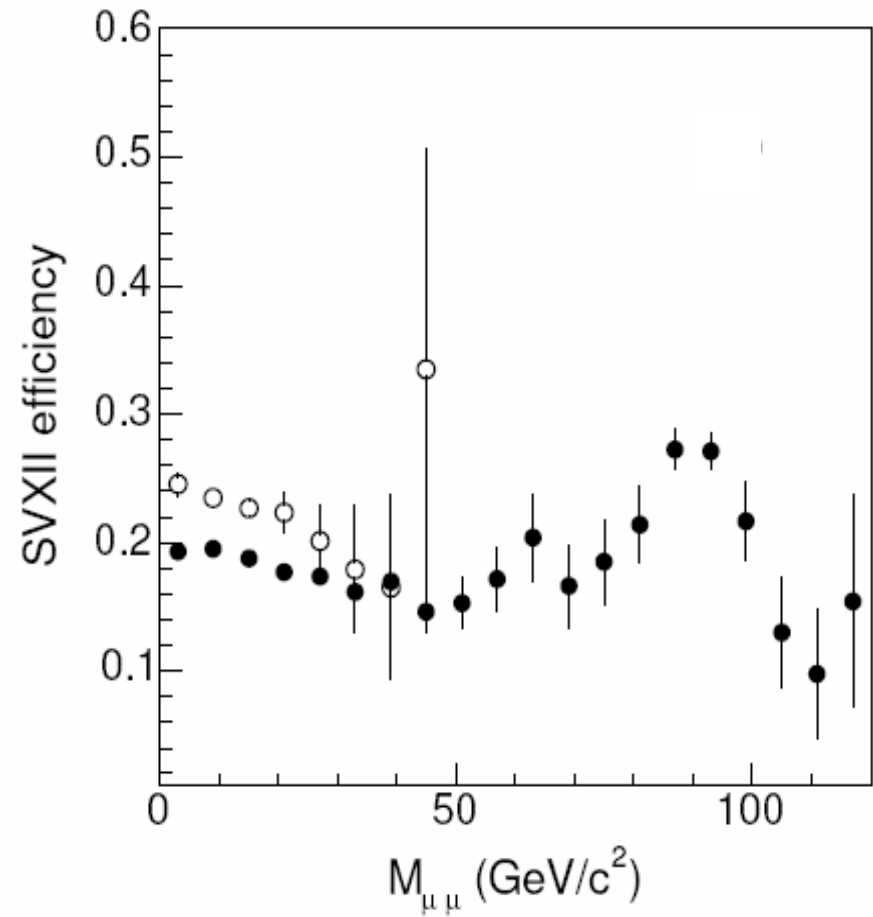
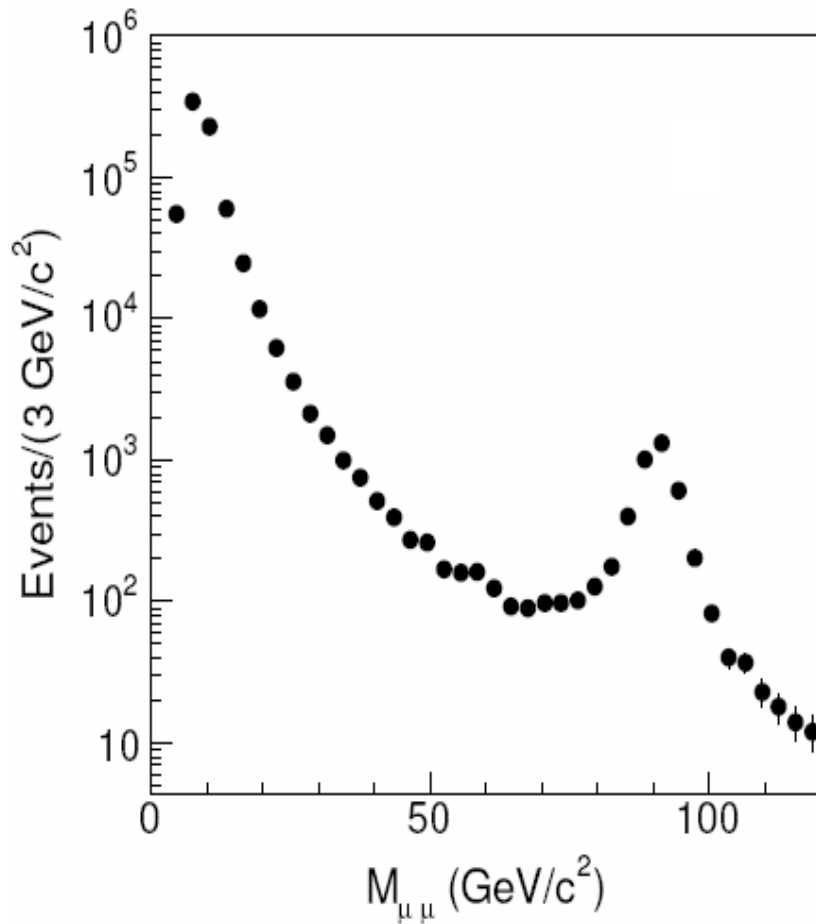


Possible sources of ghost events:

- 30% of the QCD contribution that pass the tight SVX selection is due to prompt hadrons that mimic a muon signal. The number of ghost events has been derived assuming that the efficiency of the tight SVX selection is the same for real and fake muons. This is a reasonable assumption if muons are generated by hadronic punchthrough. However, muons due to in-flight-decays of pions and kaons might correspond to mismeasured tracks that are linked to SVX II hits with an efficiency smaller than that for real muons. This contribution was considered negligible in previous experiments.
- Long-lived particles, such as K^0_S and hyperons
- Secondary interactions in the detectors surrounding the beam pipe
- Heavy flavored hadrons with anomalously high Lorentz boost – however, not consistent with high IP tail



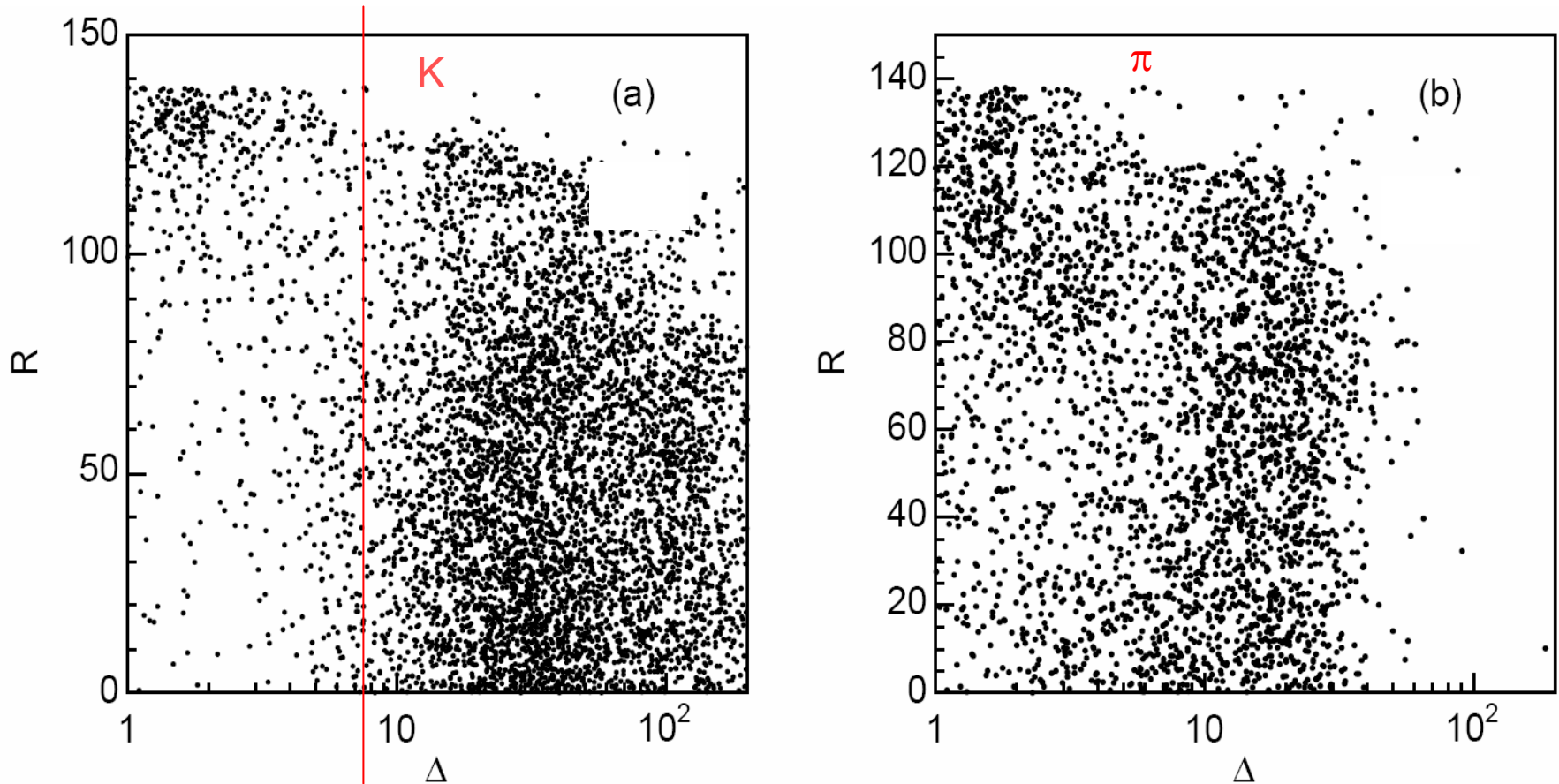
Large Lorentz boost



In-flight-decays



- Use a heavy flavor simulation (HERWIG) to measure the probability that K and π decays produce CMUP muons that pass all analysis cuts



Δ is a χ^2/NDOF based on the difference between the hadron at generator level and the reconstructed track in the η, ϕ, p_T space

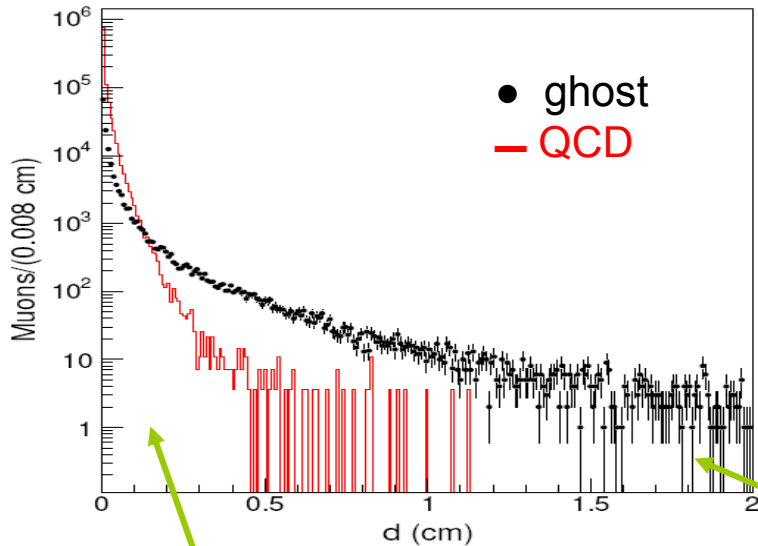
In-flight-decays



Selection	π	K
Tracks	2667199	1574610
In-flight-decays ($\Delta > 5$)	14677	40561
CMUP+L1	P=0.07% 1940	P=0.34% 5430
Loose SVX	897	3032
Tight SVX	319	1135

- Apply the above probabilities to tracks of a generic QCD simulation normalized to the bb content of the data (10^{10} track pairs) – include punchthrough probability, and ignore those cases in which both muons arise from punchthrough
- **prediction: 57000** events (**ghost are 154000 \pm 4800**) – efficiency of tight and loose SVX selection 8% and 44%, respectively
- Out of the 25000 fake-dimuon events that pass the loose SVX selection, 15000 muons are due to kaon in-flight decays; 35000 are pion decays and punchthroughs

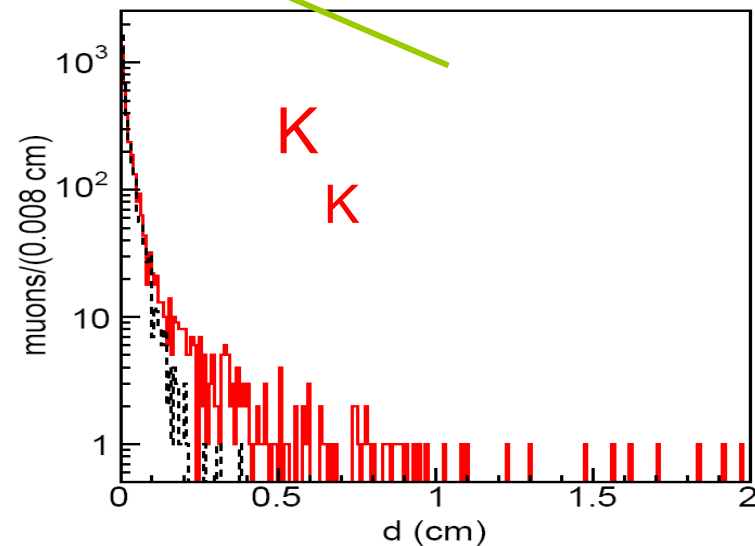
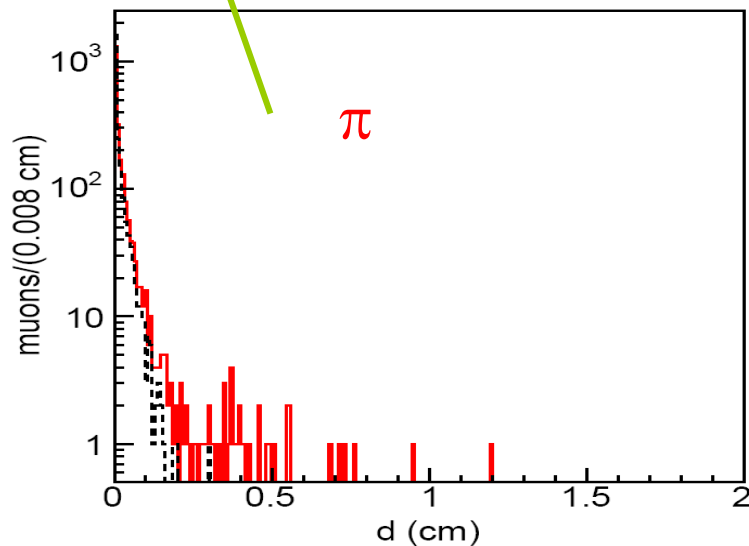
QCD, ghosts, and in-flight-decays



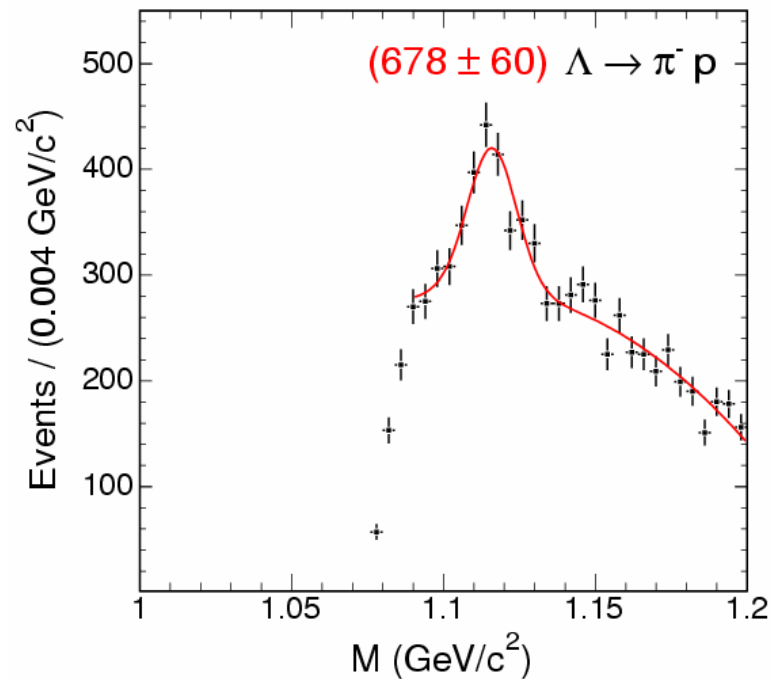
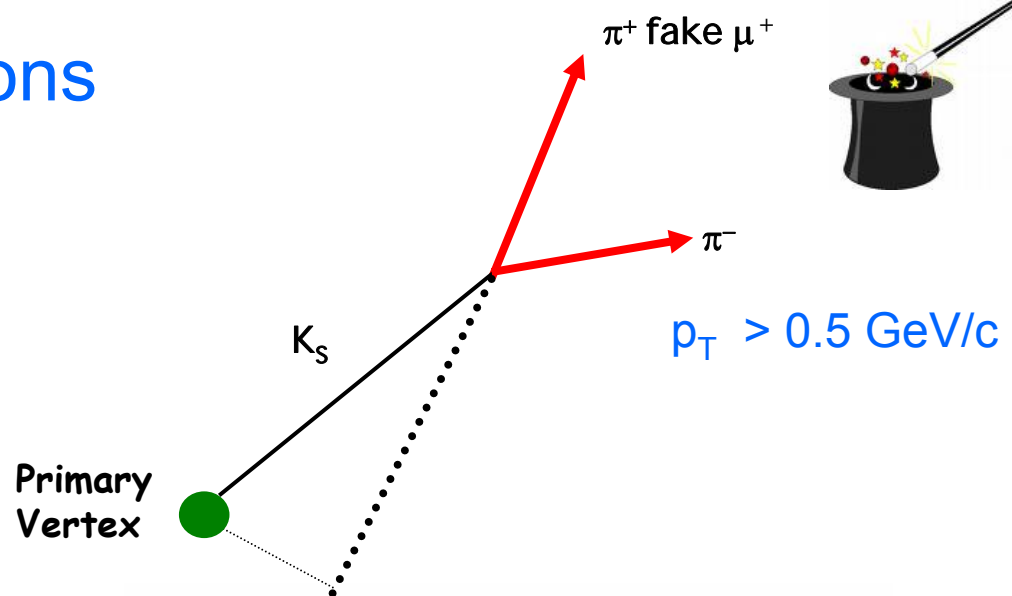
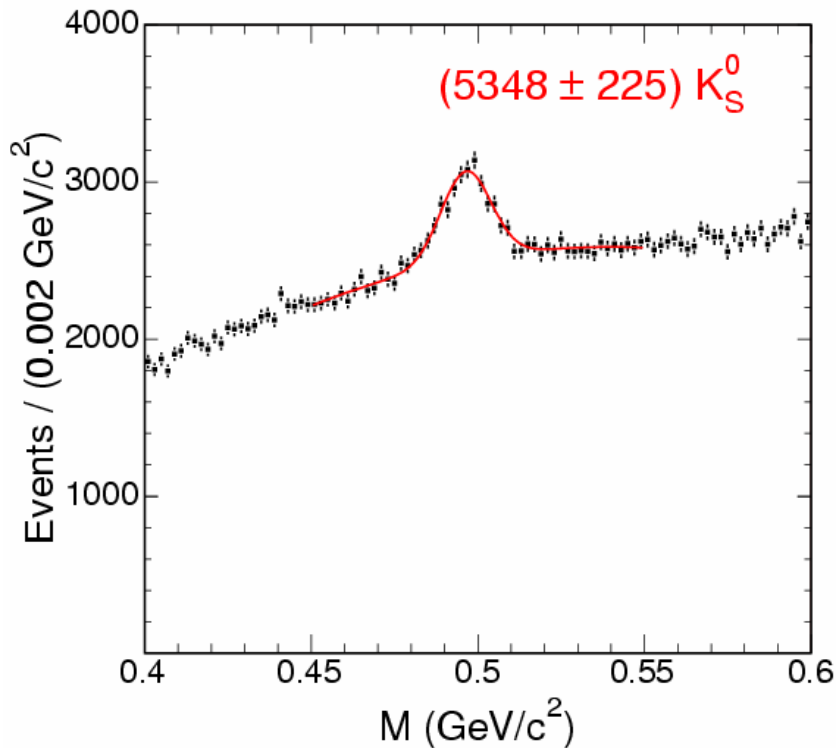
IFD prediction explains 35% of the ghost events, but only 10% of the events with $d > 0.5$ cm

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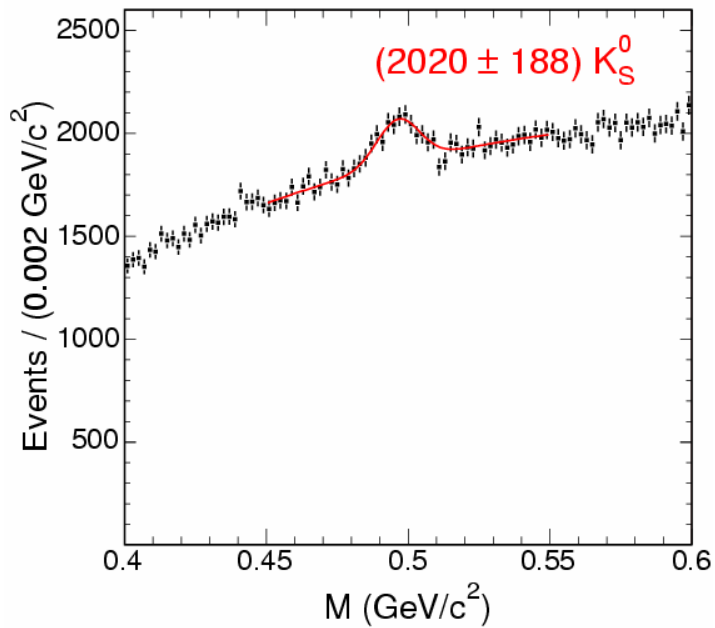


K_S^0 and hyperons



Kinematic acceptance times
reconstruction efficiency $\sim 50\%$

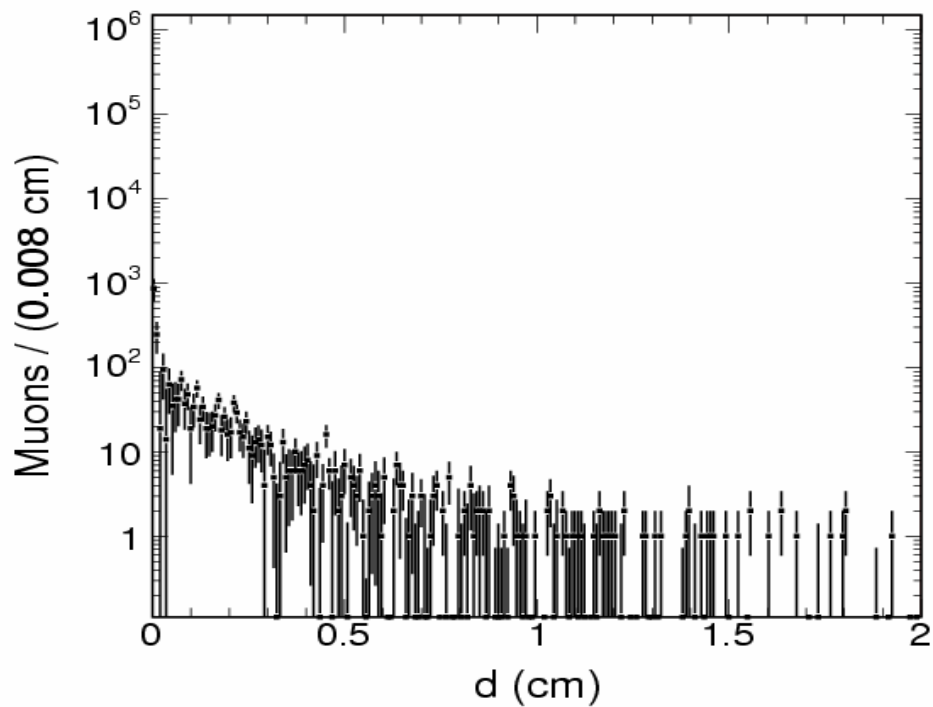
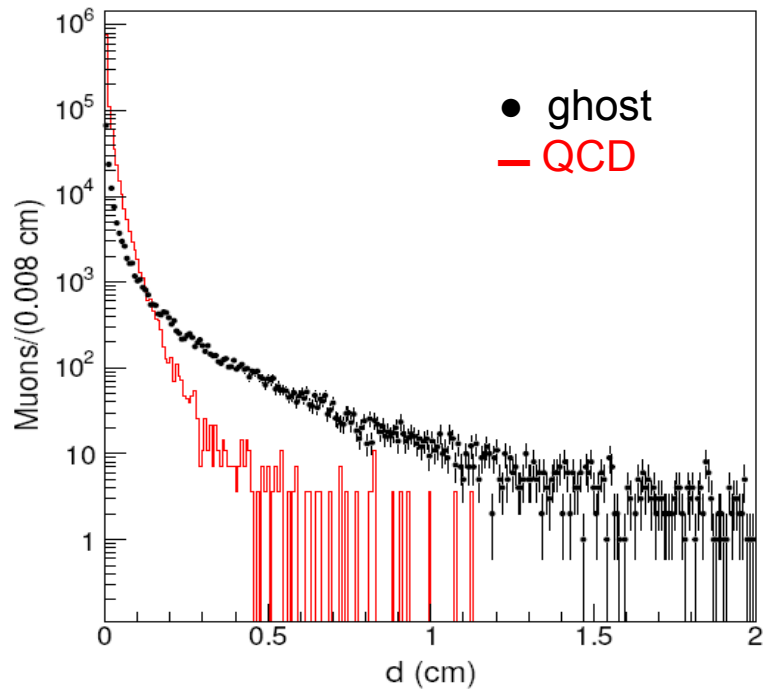
Approximately 12000 ghost events
contributed by these decays



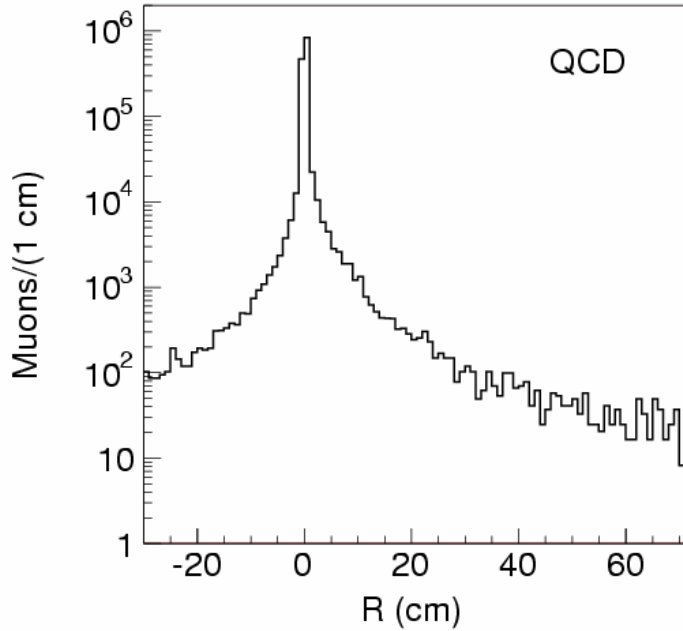
K_S^0



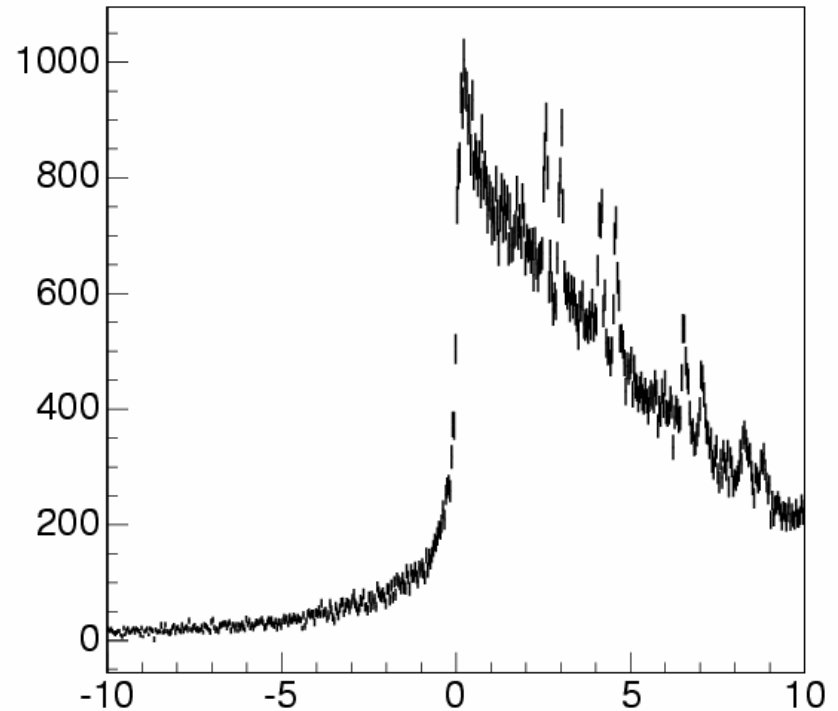
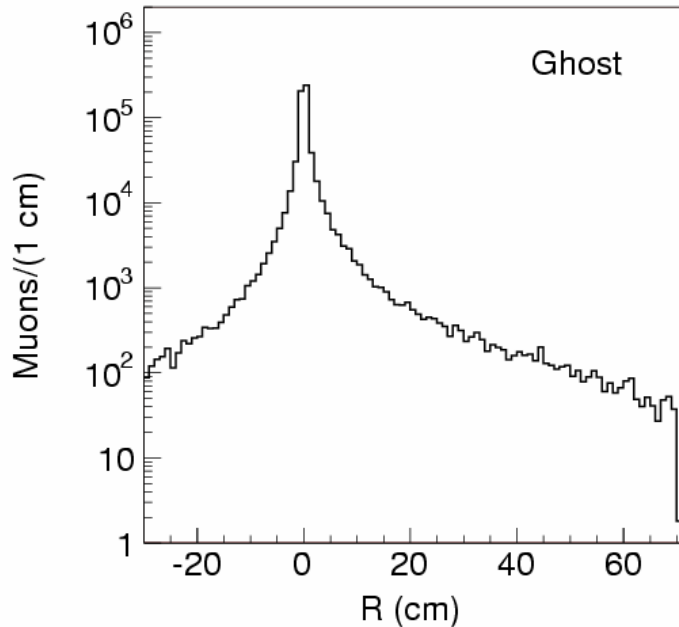
Loose SVX selection



Secondary interactions



Combine initial muons with tracks
tracks with $p_T > 1$ GeV/c in a 40°
cone



Simulation – tracks, not muons

SM sources of ghost events



- Our prediction accounts for approximately 50% of the observed number of ghost events (70000 out 150000 events)
- The uncertainty of the rate of IFD may be large, and we cannot rule out quasi-elastic secondary nuclear interactions
- At this point of the study, we assume that ghost events can be fully accounted for by a combination of the previously studied effects
- Learned the lesson: UA1 monojets and the Altarelli cocktail
- Just loading the bases

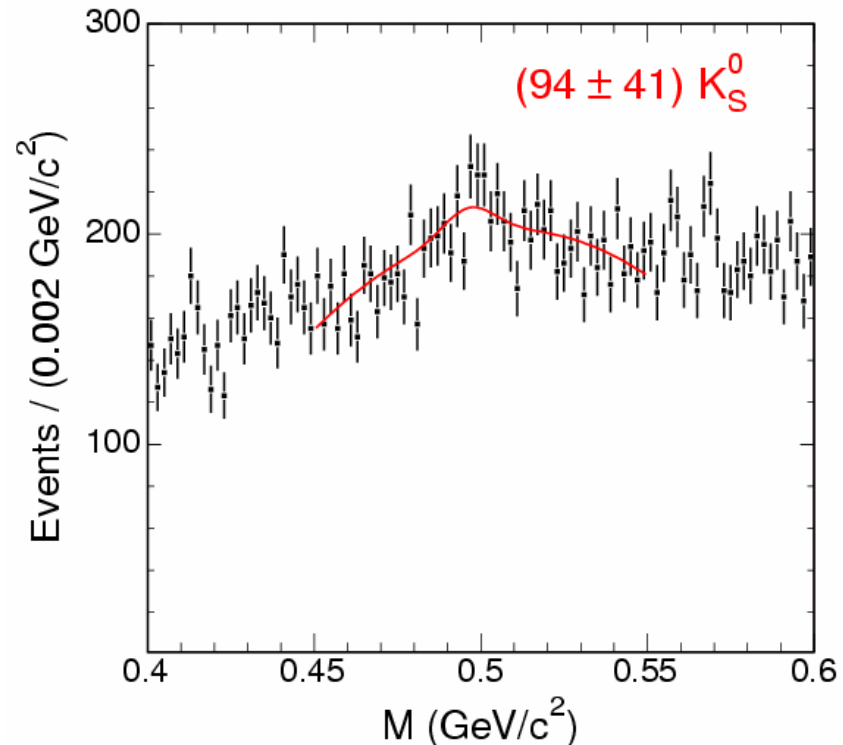
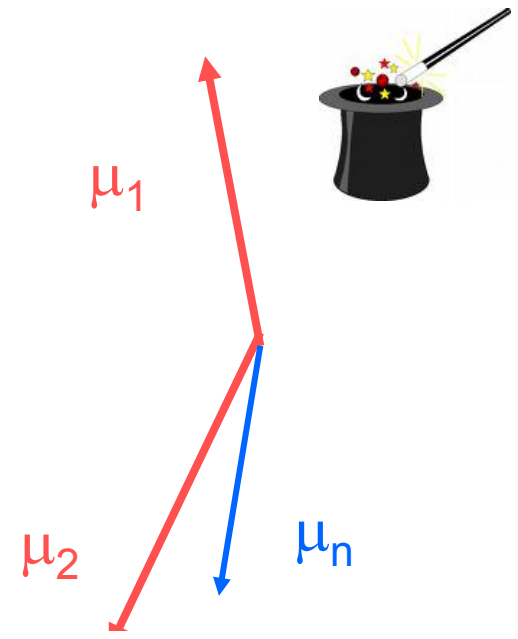
Search for additional muons



- Interesting for several reasons:
 - Ghost events may be related to the excess of low mass dileptons
 - Events due to secondary interactions or fake muons are not expected to contain a lot of additional muons
 - If ghost events were normal QCD events with mismeasured initial muons, the rate of additional muons should be similar to that of QCD
- Search for additional muons with $p_T > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $|\eta| < 1.1$ around each initial muon – require invariant mass smaller than $5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- Use CMU+CMP+CMX – $\epsilon=0.805$ (sim), 0.838 (data)
- The main source of additional muons are sequential decays of single b quarks
- A sizable contribution of muons mimicked by hadrons. The hadronic punchthrough is not simulated.
- It is evaluated using a fake probability per track derived from a large sample of $D^0 \rightarrow K \pi$ decays (standard practice).
- With respect to only using CMUP muons, this choice gains a factor of 5 in the acceptance at the price of an increase of the fake rate by a factor of 10

Additional muons

- The request of additional muons selects b-quark sequential decays and depresses all other contributions such as Drell-Yan or events acquired via in-flight decays because they only contain fake additional muons
- For example: the fraction of additional (fake) muons in Υ events is $(0.9 \pm 0.1)\%$
- $(1.7 \pm 0.8)\%$ of the events with a K_S^0 contain an additional muon



Hit



- In the data, 9.7% of the events contain at least one additional muon
- In these events, the efficiency of the tight SVX selection, only applied to the initial muons, drops from **0.193 to 0.166**
- Averaged over ghost and QCD events, the efficiency of the tight SVX selection is $\varepsilon=0.193$, whereas it is 0.244 in QCD events.
- If ghost events were all due to IFD, K^0_S and hyperon decays, and to secondary interactions, the request of an additional muon would suppress the ghost contribution with respect to QCD events that also contains b sequential decays.
- One would expect that ε rises from 0.193 towards 0.244. In contrast, it further decreases to 0.166.

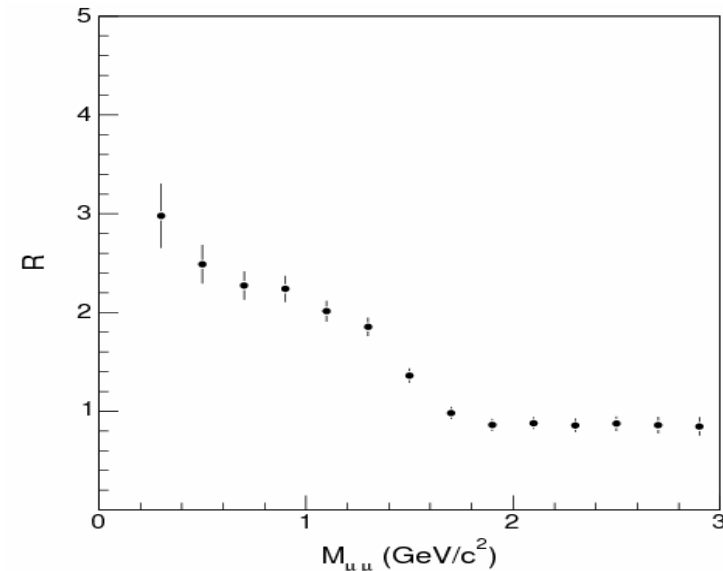
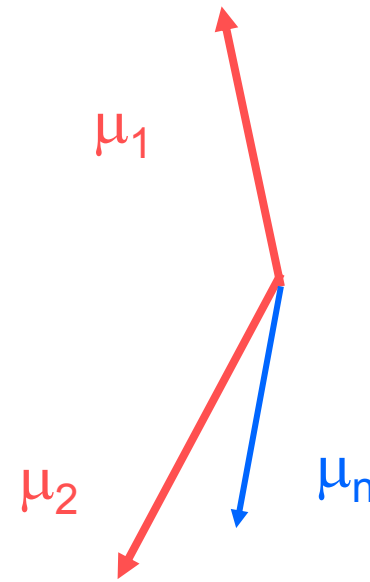
Homer



- When asking for an additional muon, the fraction of ghost events increases from 21% to 32%
- Ghost events contain more additional muons than QCD events
- Since at least 50% of the ghost are due to sources not rich in additional muons, a fraction of the ghost events is very special.
- The remaining of this analysis is a detailed study of the ghost event characteristics in order to decode the DNA of some special events.
- The strength of the analysis is that we can verify it using QCD events in which both muons are generated inside the beam pipe
- Increase the dataset luminosity to 1426 pb^{-1}
- Use additional muons without SVX requirements
- Repeat the study of the small-mass-dilepton kinematics reported in [PRD 72, 072002 \(2005\)](#)



- Divide small mass muon combinations into OS and SS.
- In QCD, SS combinations only arise from fake muons and are subtracted from OS combination to remove the fake background
- Reasonable procedure for Y , D-Y events in which additional tracks belong to the underlying event and are not charge-correlated with the initial muons
- For heavy flavors, a large number of tracks come from the fragmentation and decay of heavy quarks and are charge correlated. The relative rates of K and π tracks depends on the μ -track invariant mass
- Weight tracks in the simulation with the fake muon probability derived from the data. R is the ratio of OS-SS including fakes to real OS-SS. The average fake muon correction is 30%
- b and c quark cross sections in the simulation normalized to the data

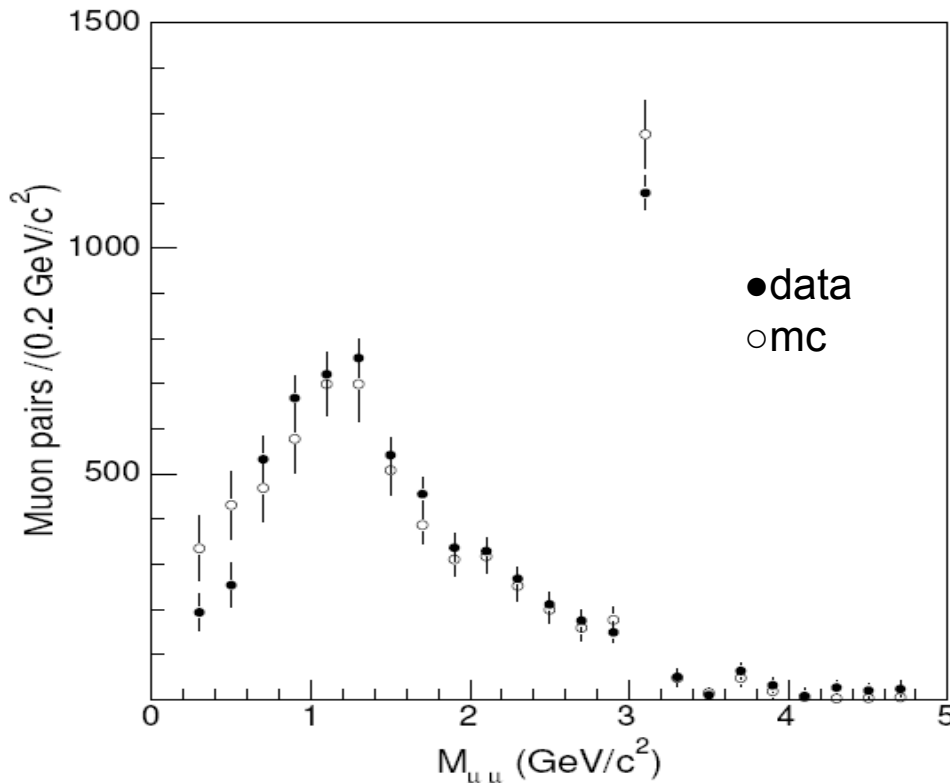


Both initial muons produced inside the beam pipe



The sample has 276000 events
events and 140800 *bb* events

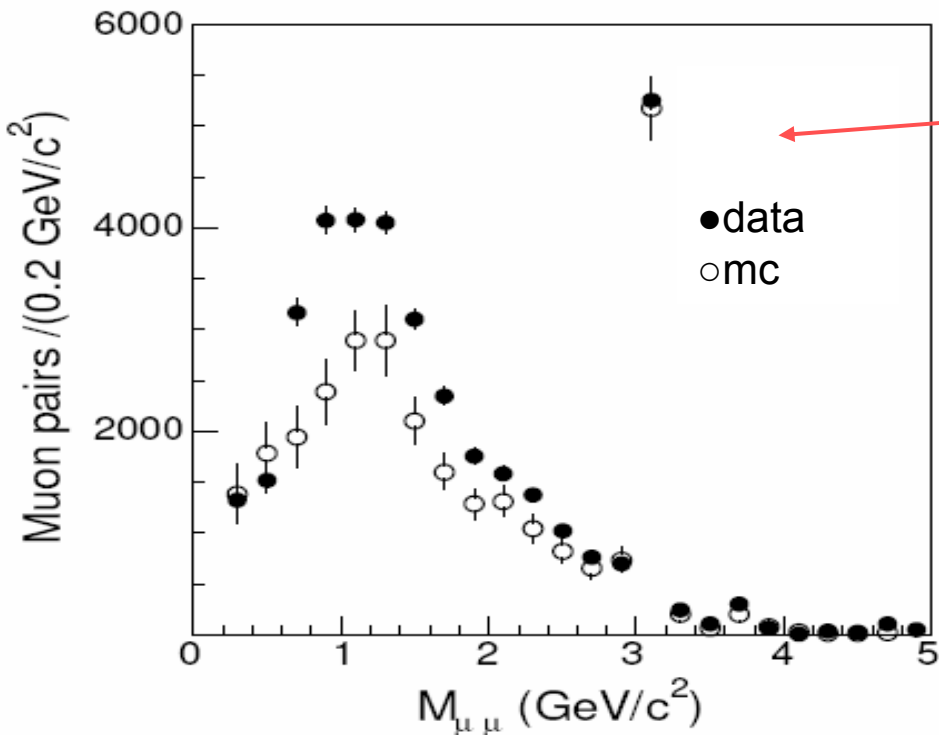
- 6935 ± 154 in the data
and 6998 ± 293
predicted
- We understand the
heavy flavor simulation
and the fake muon
background



No SVX requirements for the
additional muons



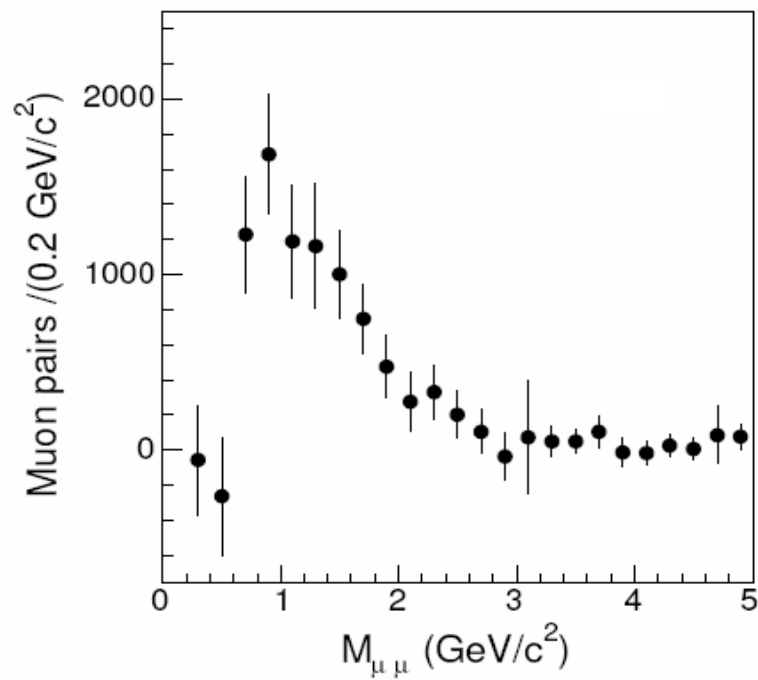
J/ψ mesons arise from $b\bar{b}$ production - Data without SVX selection agree with the prediction



	QCD	Ghost
Events	1131040	295481
OS-SS	28422 ± 631	8451 ± 1274
%	2.5	3.0

All data – initial dimuons without any SVX requirements

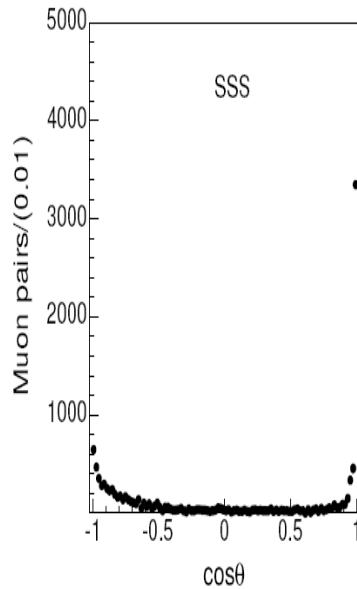
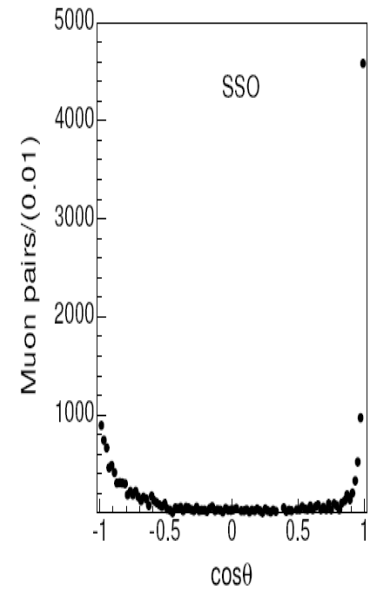
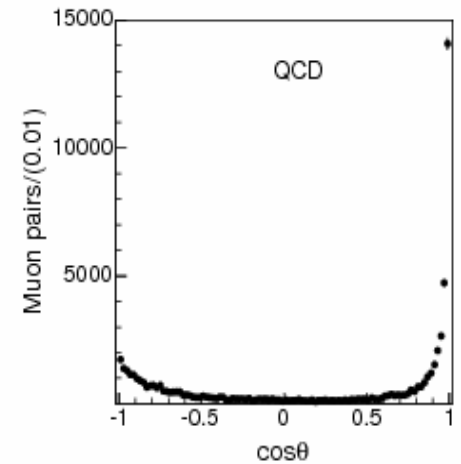
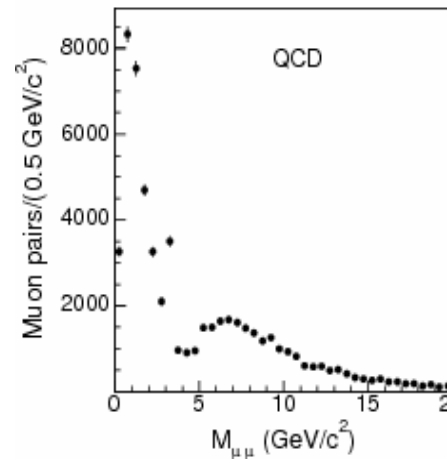
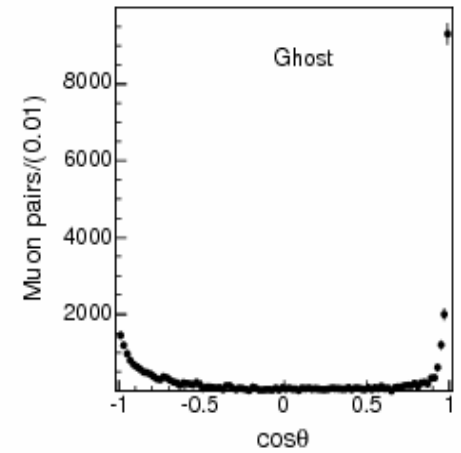
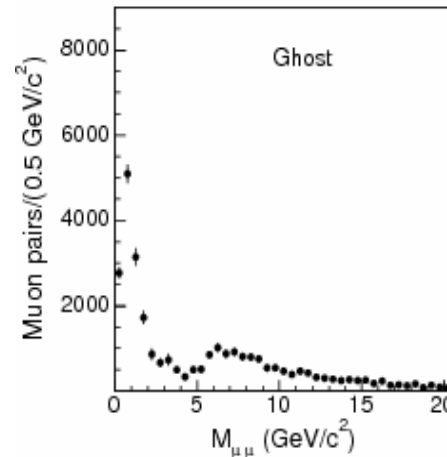
Ghost





- Search for additional muons without any invariant mass cut
- For OS initial dimuons, combine the additional muon with the one of opposite sign: OSO
- For SS initial muons, combine randomly: SSO and SSS combinations

OSO



Ghost

Conclusion: continue study using $\theta < 36.8^\circ$

$\theta < 36.8^\circ$ – additional muons, tracks, and fakes



No. of tracks with $p_T > 2 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $|\eta| < 1.1$

Topology	All	SVX	QCD	Ghost
<i>OS</i>	1315451	207344	849770 ± 6965	465860 ± 6965
<i>SS</i>	893750	140238	574745 ± 4711	318004 ± 4711

The average number of tracks in ghost events is a factor of two larger than in QCD

Another surprise

$\theta < 36.8^\circ$ – additional muons and fakes



ghosts

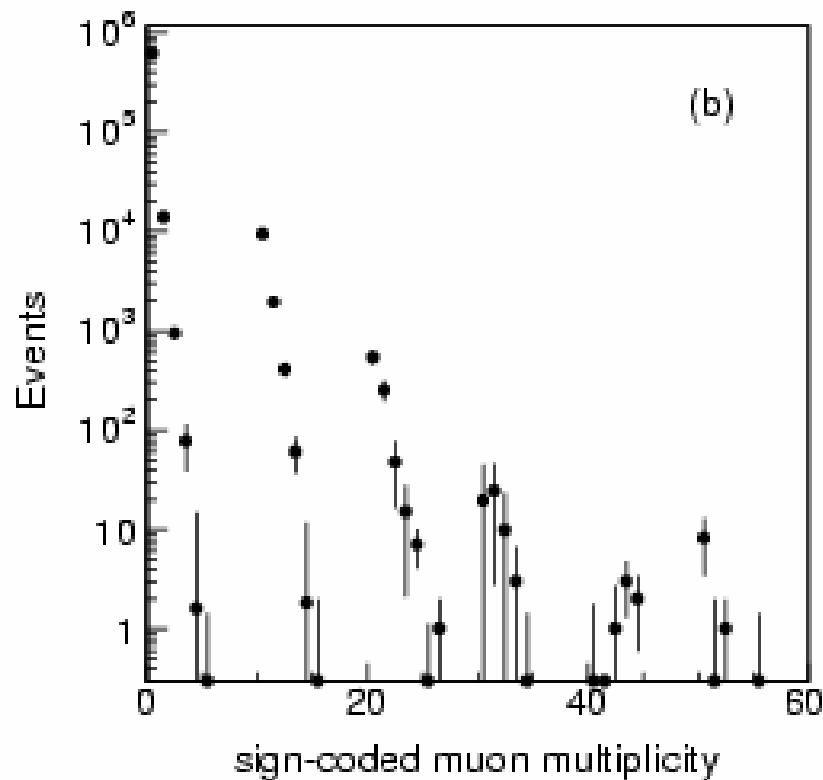
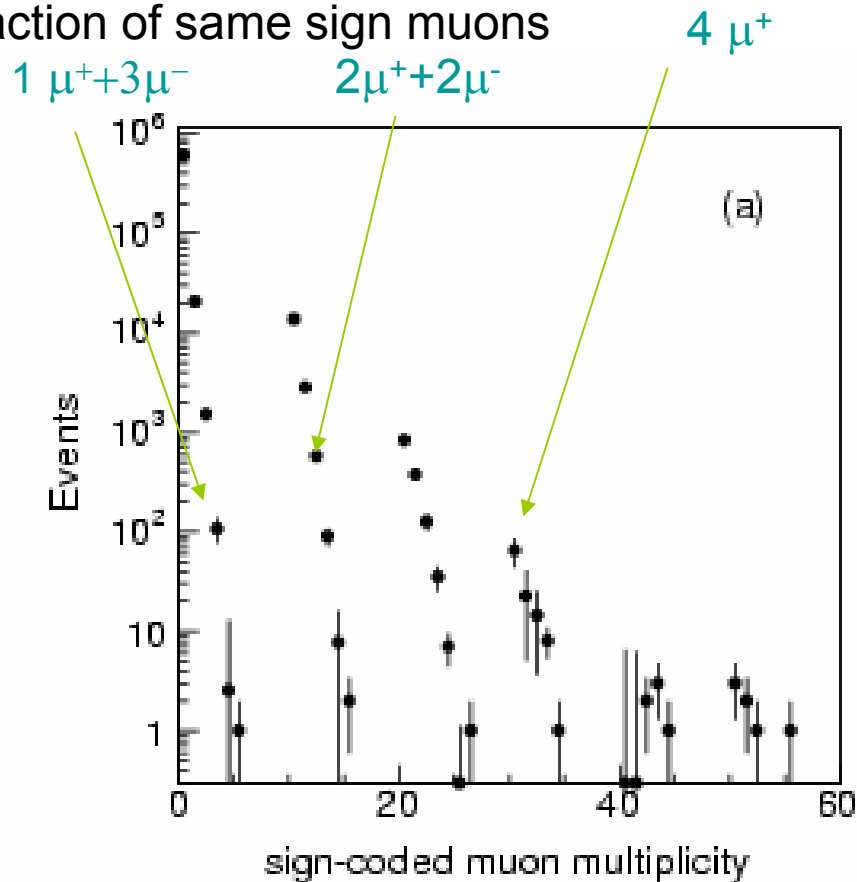
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Muon multiplicity in a cone

In average, a multiplicity increase of one unit corresponds to a population decrease of 7 decrease of 7

For the same number of additional muons, the bin occupancy depends on the fraction of fraction of same sign muons

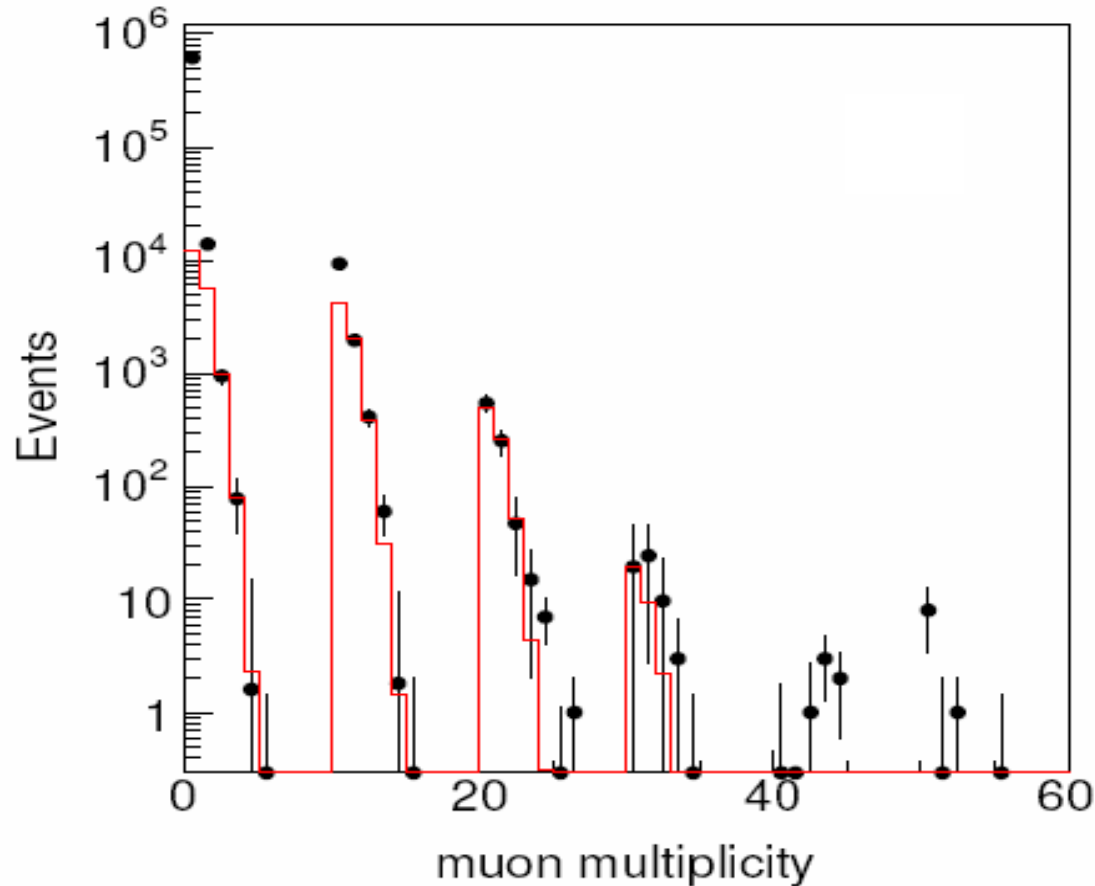
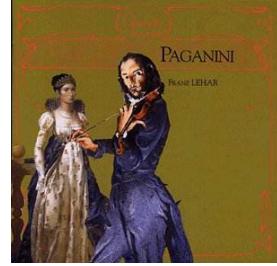


Fake muon subtracted

40409 cones with at least two muons

→ 27530

Phenomenological conjecture

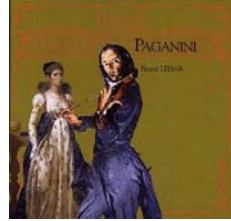


Some ghost events are due to an object h_1 decaying into 8 τ leptons, leptons, and produced with transverse momentum much larger than its invariant mass

Fake muons removed assuming tracks are π

- Toy Monte Carlo: 8 $\tau \rightarrow \mu$ with BR=0.174, $\epsilon_\mu = 0.5$ and 0.883, $\epsilon_{kin} = 1$
4 $\tau^+ + 4 \tau^-$ – toy MC, normalized to data for bins ≥ 11 ,
accounts for approximately 13200 (5%) of the ghost events

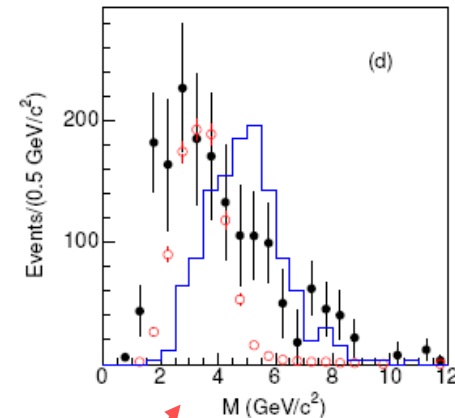
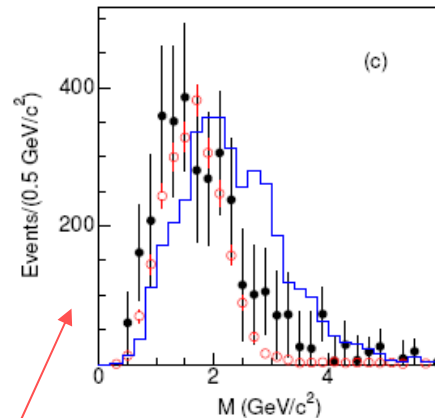
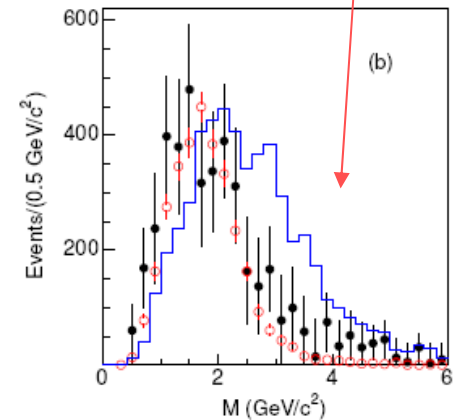
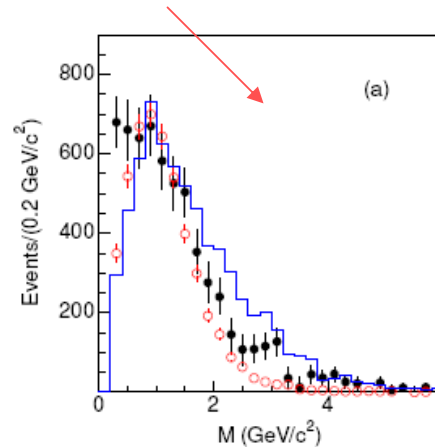
Polishing the conjecture



$\geq 2 \mu$ in both cones

$\geq 3 \mu$ in one cone

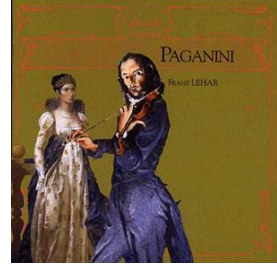
- Use ghost events with three or more muons in order to suppress the QCD background that is removed together with the fake muon contribution
- Compare to a simulation $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow h_1 h_1$, with $m_H = 150 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- H is used for convenience, not part of the conjecture
- $m_{h_1} \sim 15 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



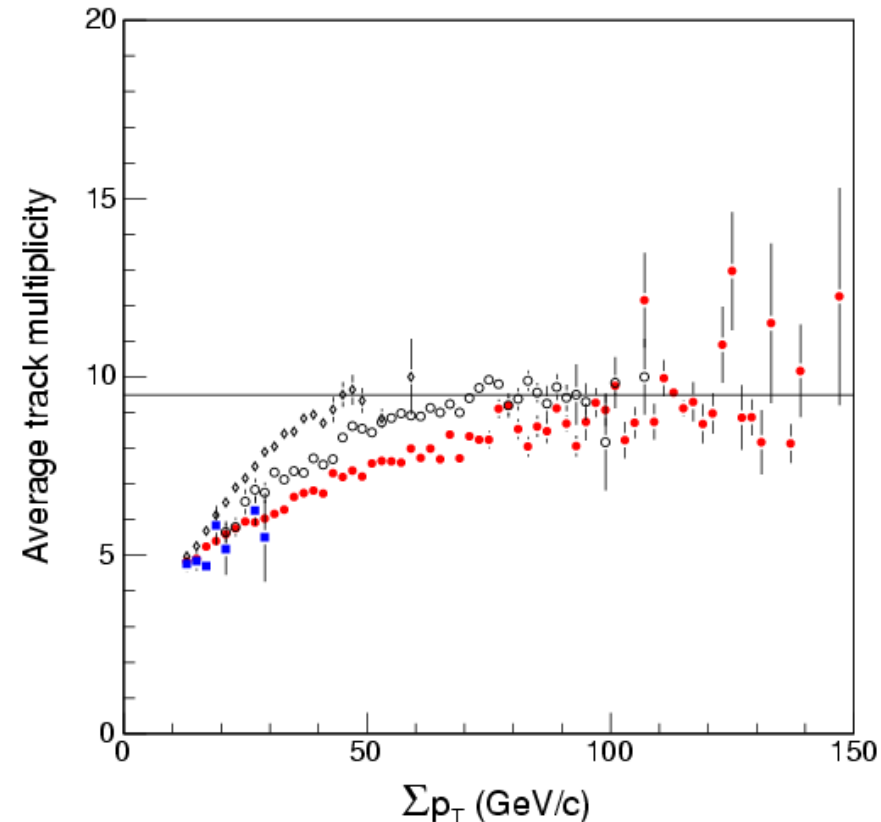
3μ in one cone

$\geq 3 \mu + 5,6$ tracks in one cone

Testing the conjecture



- Ghost events with 3 or more muons in a 36.8° cone are consistent with the presence of 8 τ leptons
- If the hypothesis is correct, these cones must asymptotically contain 9.5 tracks with the same kinematic of the additional muons
- Compare data to a simulation of the process $p\bar{p} \rightarrow H \rightarrow h_1 h_1$, with $m_H = 115$ (300) GeV/c^2 , $h_1 \rightarrow 8\tau$, and $m_{h_1} = 15 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

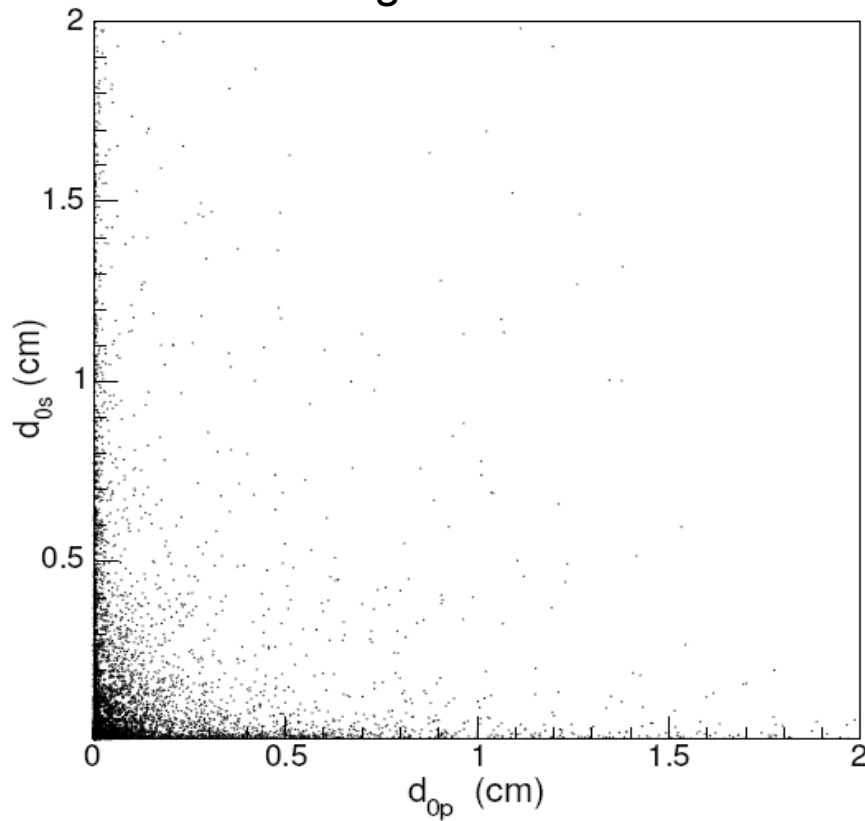


Impact parameter of the additional muons



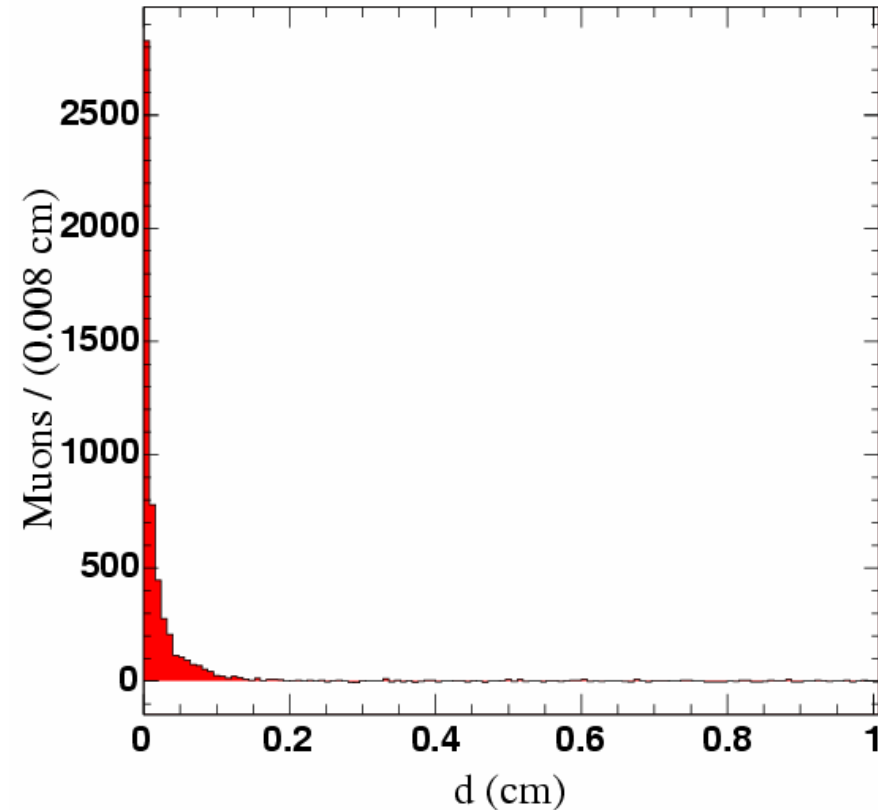
Loose SVX requirements

ghosts



$\rho = 0.03$

QCD

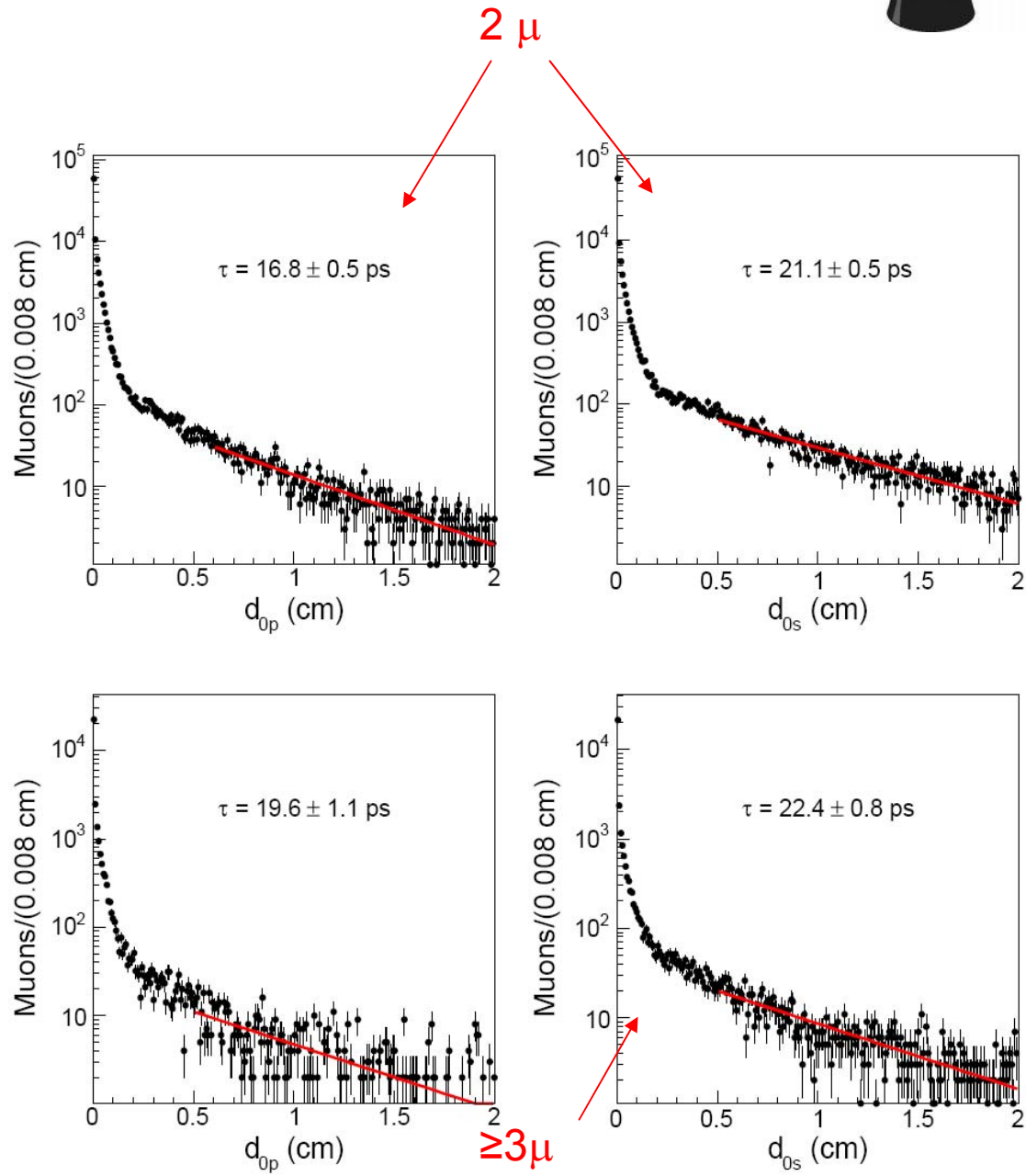


5320 OS-SS
additional muons

Lifetime estimate



- Assume that muons arise from the decay of objects with a lifetime
- **No SVX requirements, no bias**
- IFD or secondary interactions suppressed by the multiple muon request
- The trigger biases the IP distribution of the initial muon
- Best estimate of the slope: $\tau = 21.4 \pm 0.5$ ps
error statistical

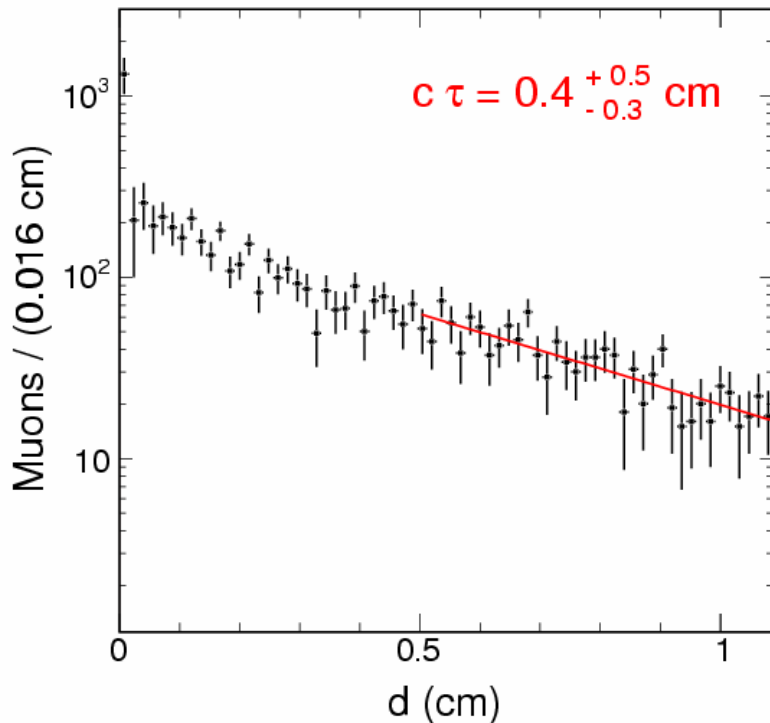


Effect of the trigger bias

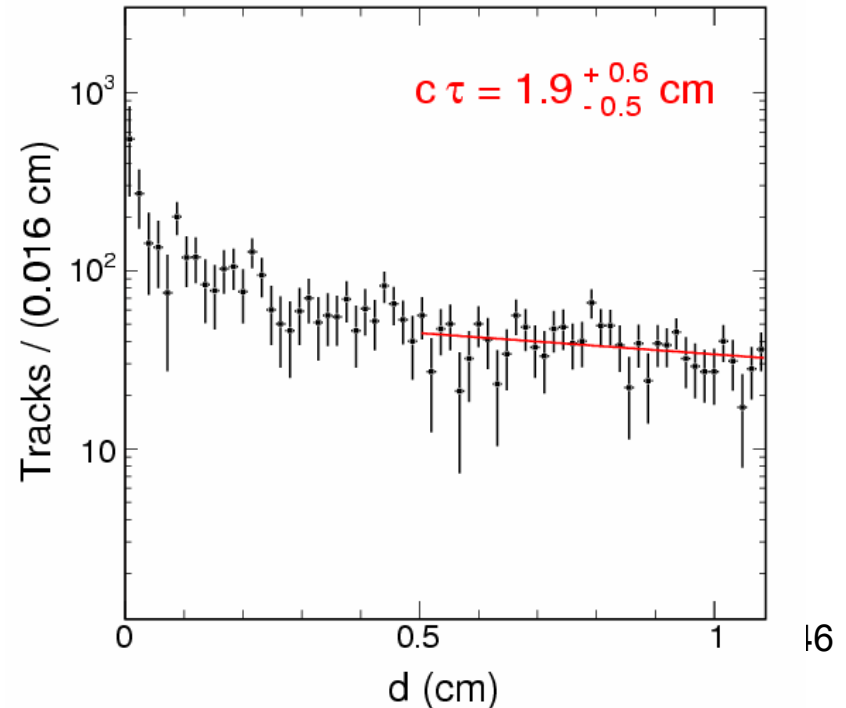


- IP distributions for K_S^0 reconstructed using a CMUP muon (punchthrough) and a track with $p_T > 2$ GeV/c in a 40° cone
- Distributions are sideband subtracted

Trigger muon



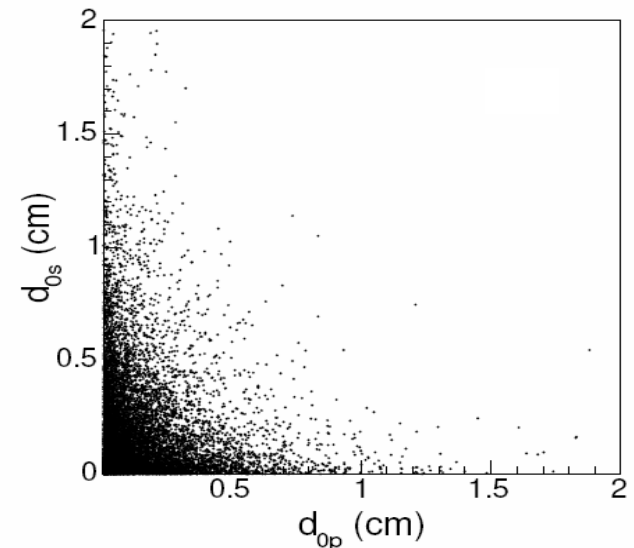
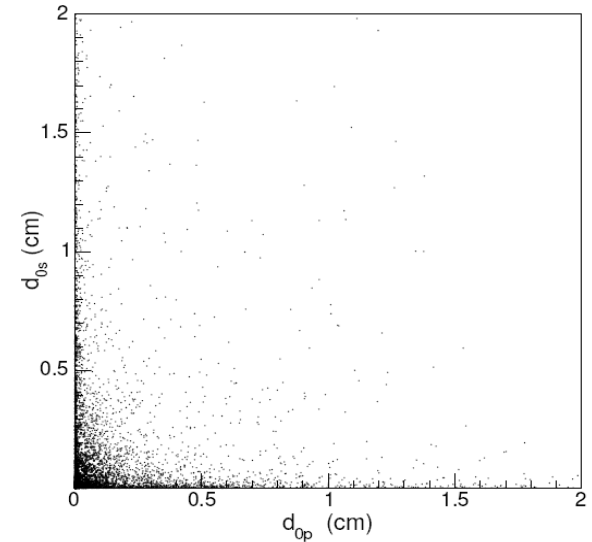
Additional track



Refining the conjecture



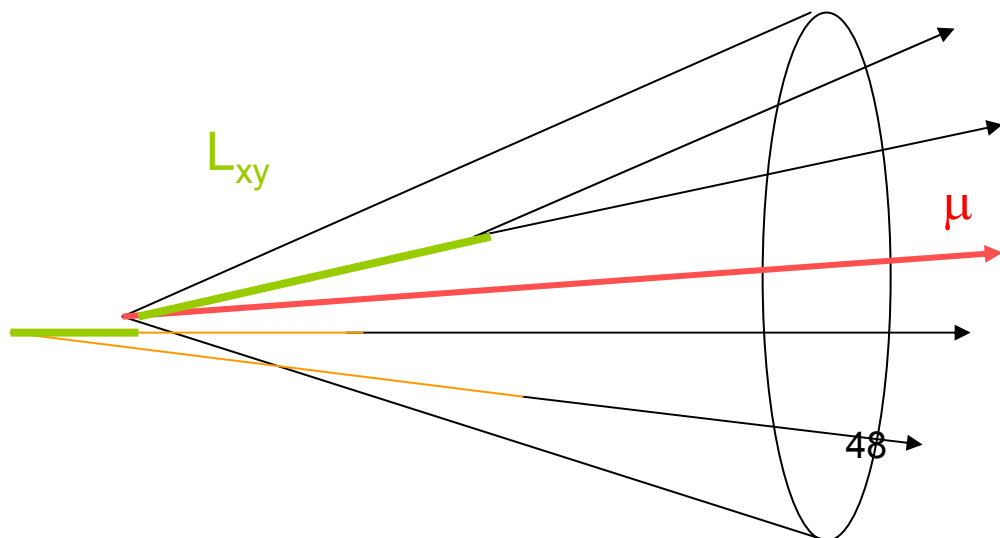
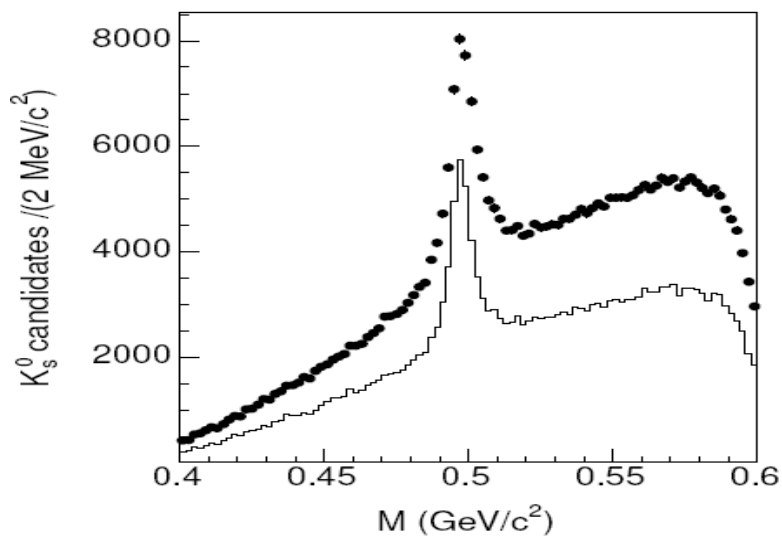
- The pair production of h_1 states could explain ~5% of the ghost events
- If h_1 states would decay directly into 8 τ , that has a lifetime much smaller than 20 ps, the impact parameters of the muons in the same cone would be highly correlated – they are not
- $h_1 \rightarrow 2 h_2 \rightarrow 4 h_3 \rightarrow 8 \tau$ with h_3 carrying a 20 ps lifetime more elegant hypothesis
- Use the correlation between the impact parameters of initial and additional muons in the same cone to verify the hypothesis
- In the data this correlation is $\rho=0.03$
- Compare data to several simulation in which the 20 ps lifetime is attributed in turn to h_1 , h_2 , and h_3 states
- **The resulting correlation are $\rho=0.39$, 0.15 , and 0.05 , respectively**
- Conclusion : the data favor the existence of two more states h_2 and h_3 – their pair production can explain a larger fraction of the ghost events
- Their masses have to be 7.1-7.5 and ~ 3.6 GeV/ c^2 , respectively
- When attributing the 20 ps lifetime to the h_3 object, only a few percent of the simulated events pass the tight SVX selection



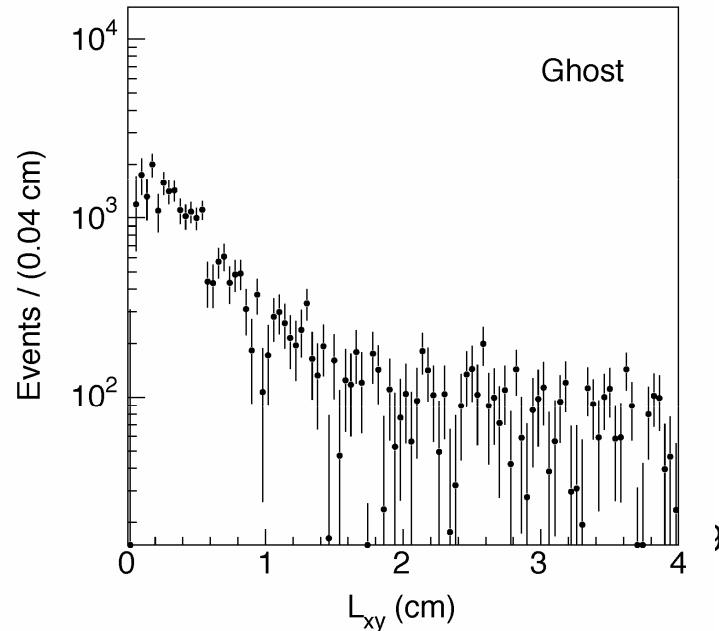
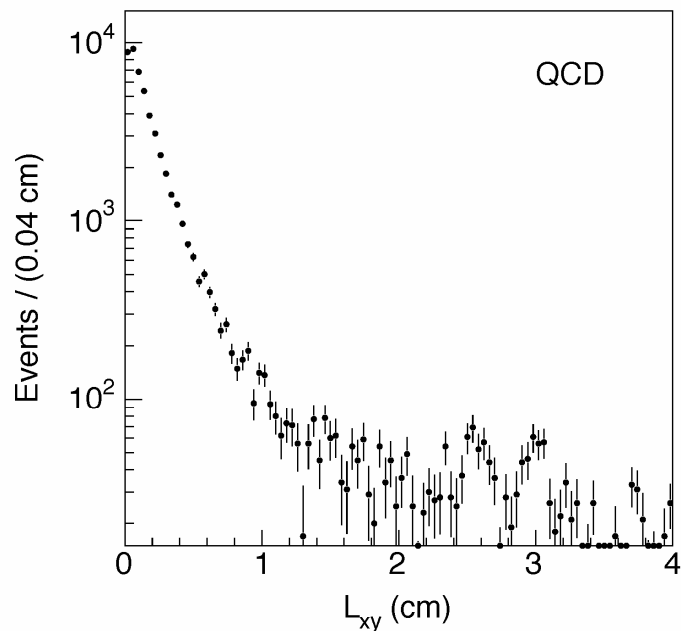
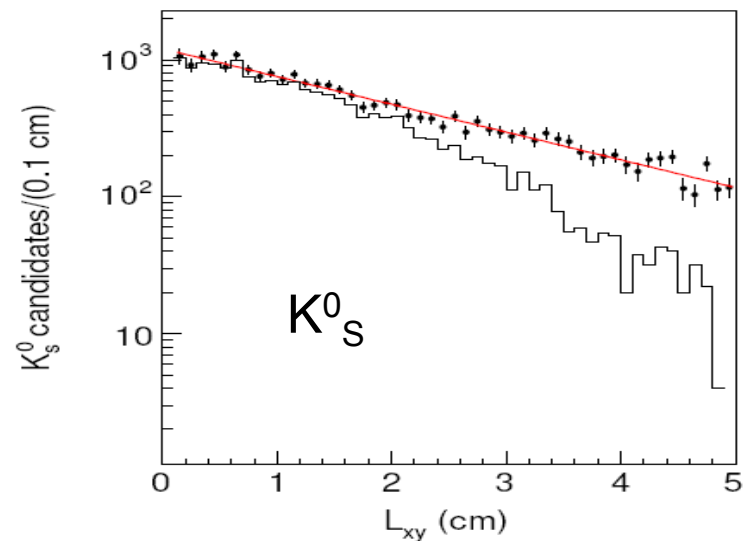
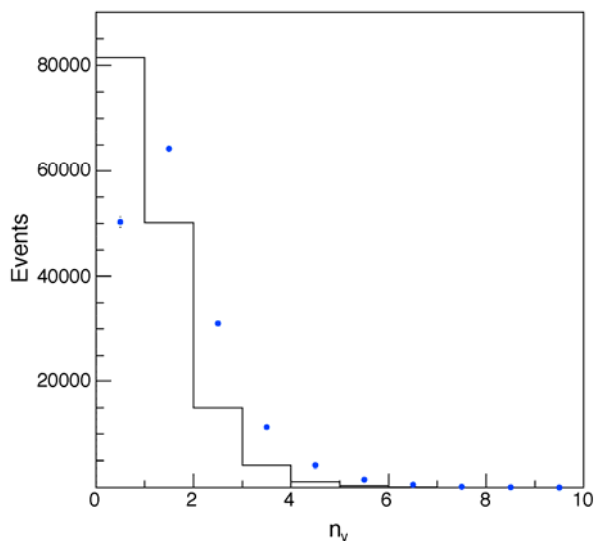
Testing the lifetime conjecture



- The lifetime measured from the IP distributions makes use of a small fraction of events in the IP tail
- Try to use all events by looking for two-tracks secondary vertices due to h_3 decays
- Search for secondary vertices by pairing all tracks (including muons) with $p_T > 1$ GeV/c in a 36.8° cone around an initial muon
- Pair of opposite charge tracks are constrained to arise from a common space point. Combinations are discarded if the three-dimensional fit returns a $\chi^2 > 10$
- A given track is associated only with the best χ^2 vertex
- L_{xy} is the signed projection of the secondary vertex on the transverse momentum of the track pair
- An excess of positive L_{xy} is a property of the decay of long-lived objects.



Testing the lifetime conjecture





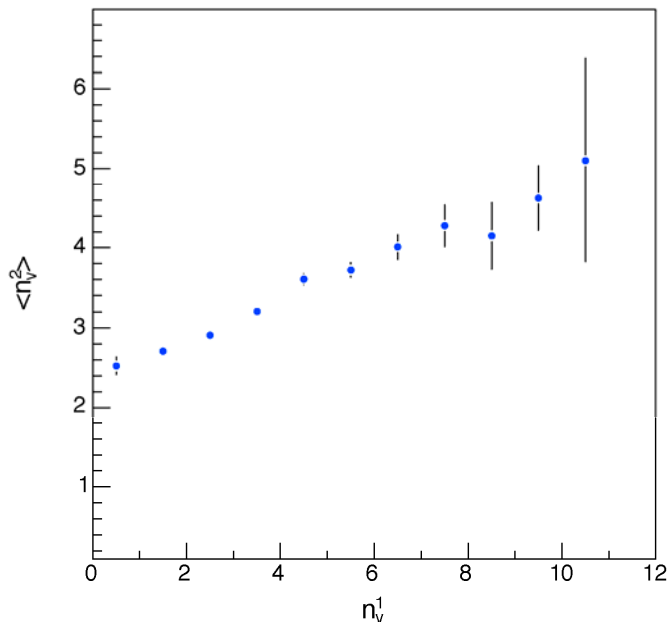
Cone correlations - test of pair production

Ghost events

- 27790±761 cones with $\geq 2 \mu$ (a)
- 4133±263 cones with $\geq 3 \mu$
- 3016 with $\geq 2 \mu$ in both cones (b)

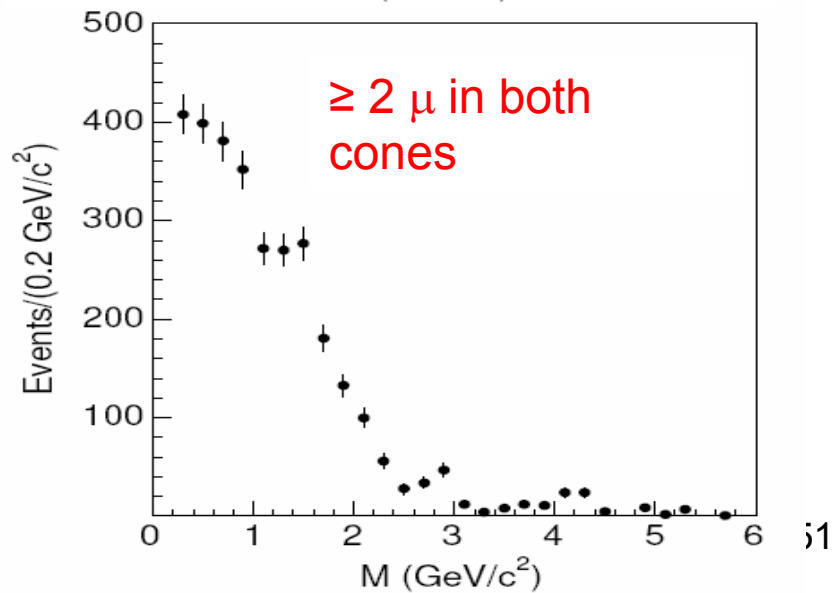
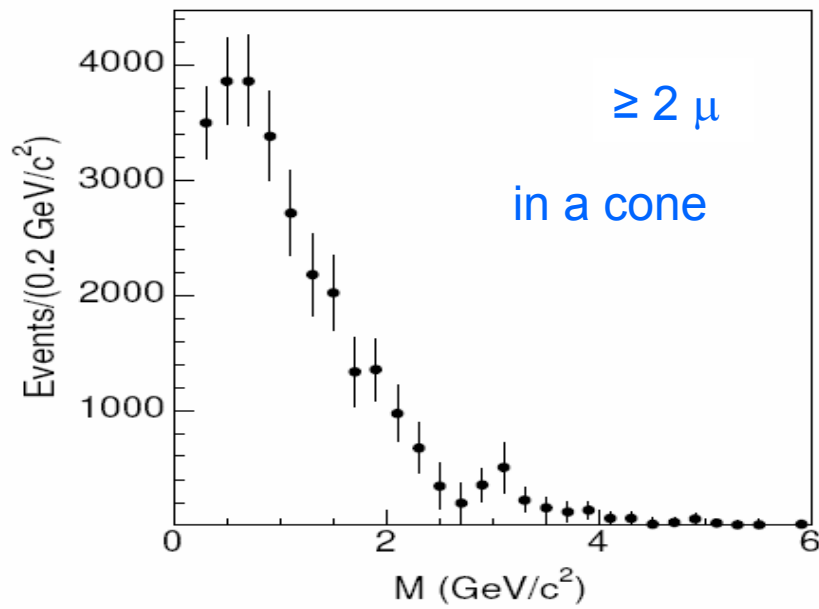
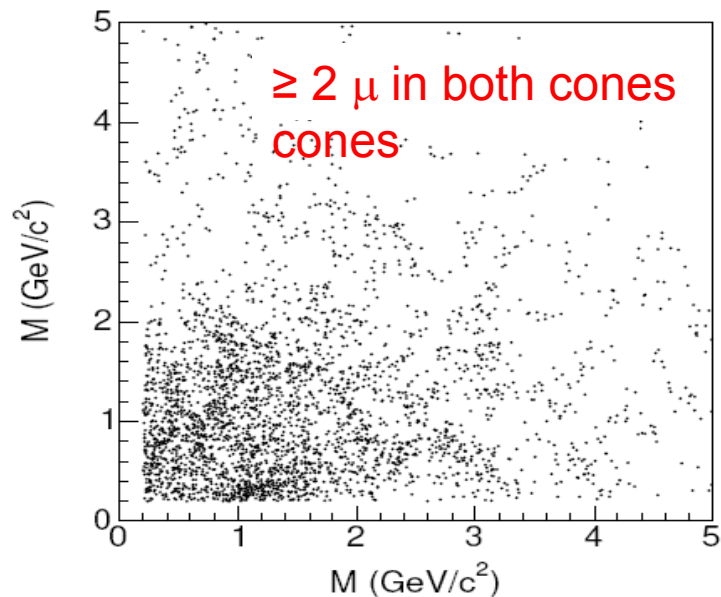
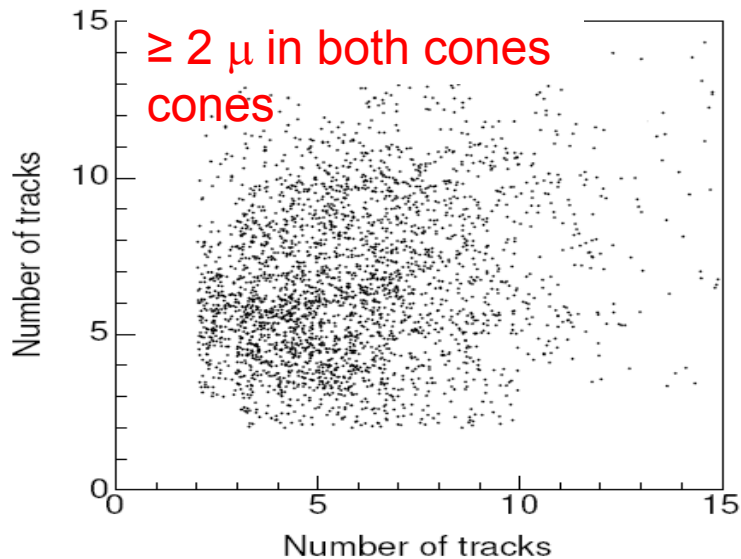
The ratio (a)/(b) = 0.11
is quite large - for comparison, in
events triggered by a central jet, the
the fraction of events containing
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10-15% depending on the jet
transverse energy

A simulation of the process
 $ff \rightarrow h_n h_n$ yields the same ratio

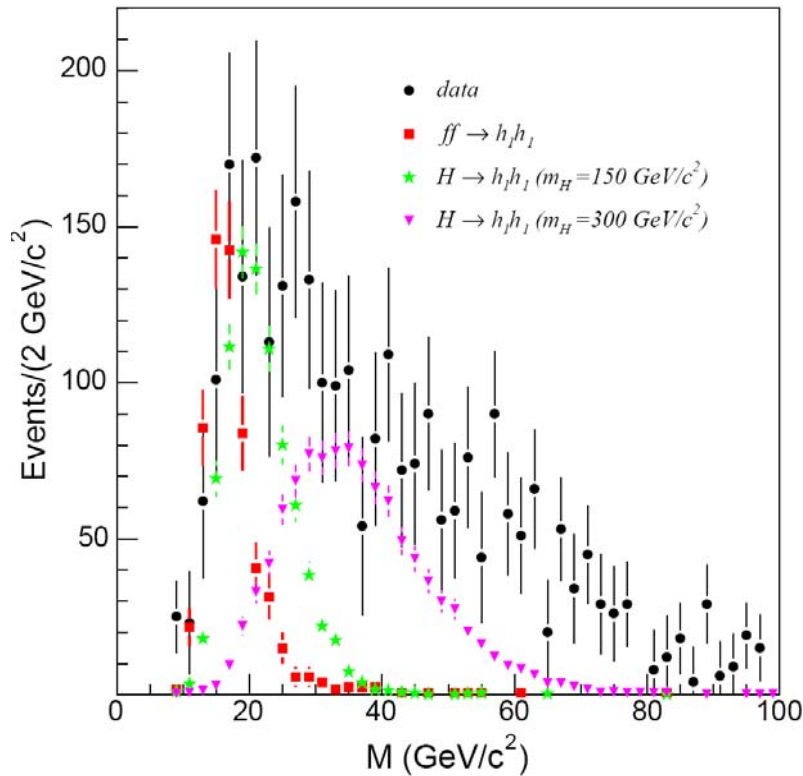
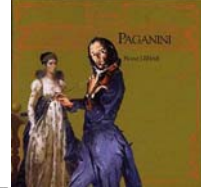


Number of secondary vertices
vertices in one cone versus the
the other – both cones contain
contain at least 2 muons

Cone correlations



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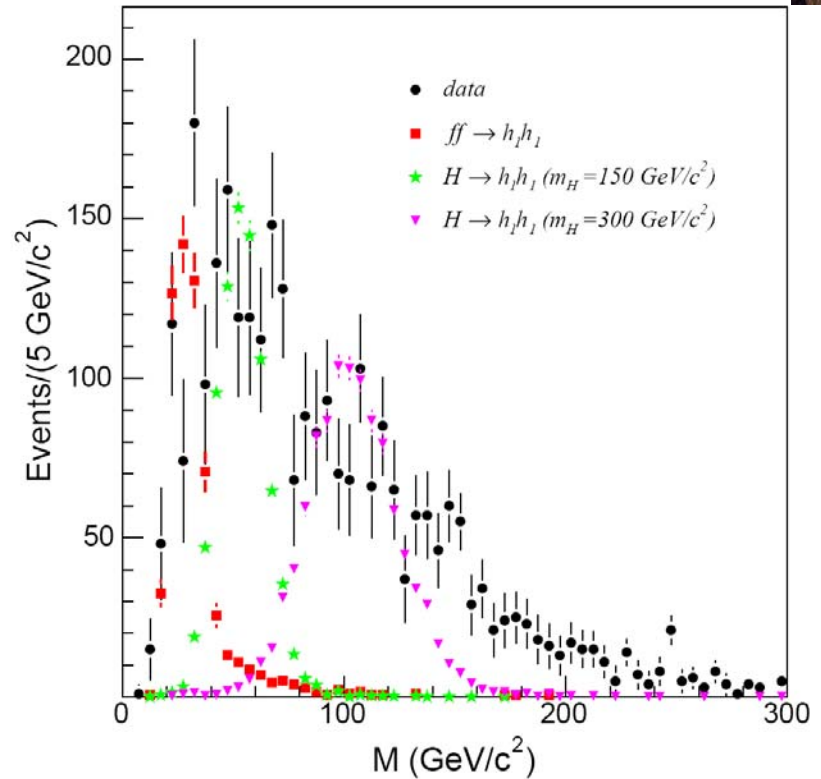


Invariant mass of
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$$\sigma = 3.4 \text{ nb}$$

$$\sigma = 50 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma = 35 \text{ pb}$$



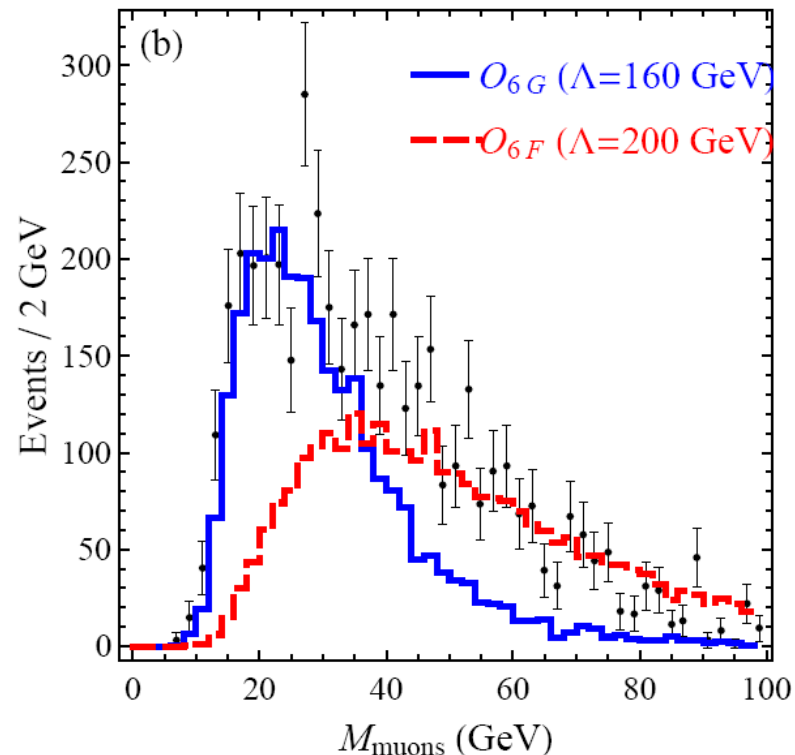
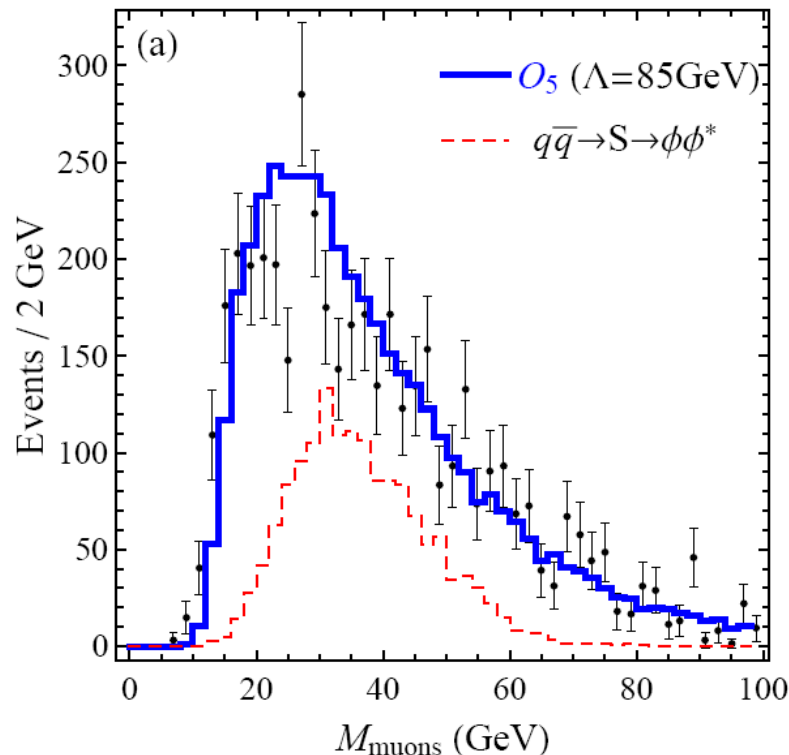
Invariant mass of
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Events with two cones containing at least two muons

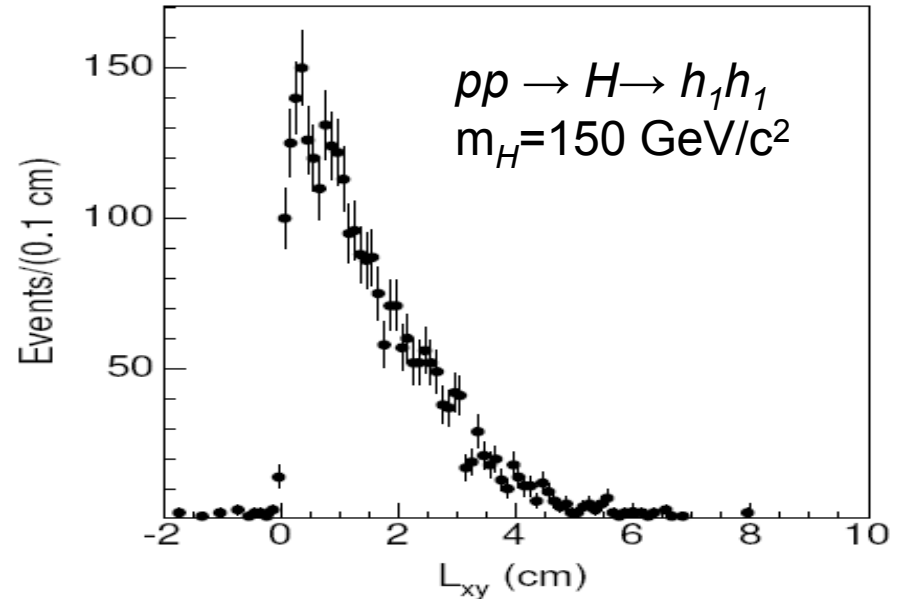
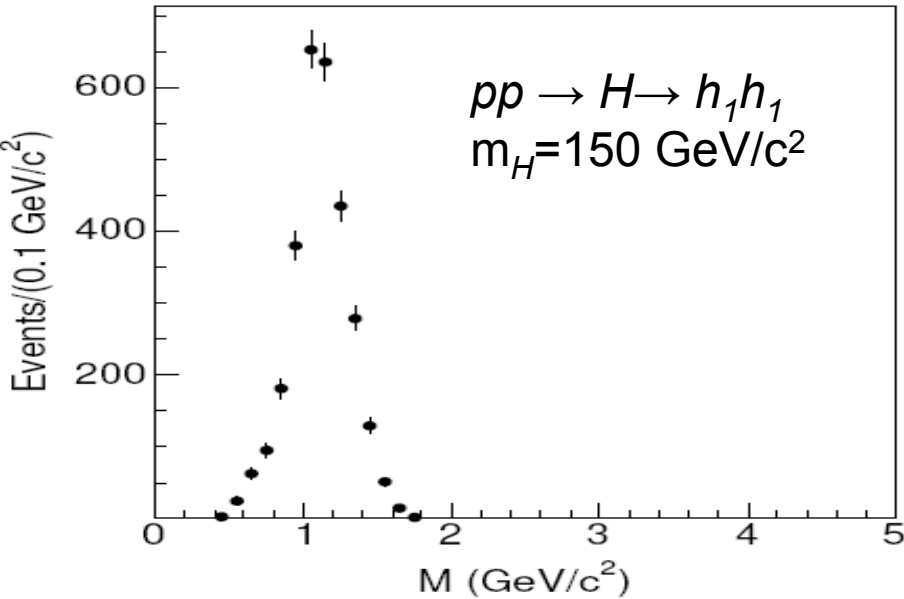


- Invariant mass of (a) all muons and (b) all tracks with $p_T > 2$ GeV/c. The trigger muons have $p_T > 3$ GeV/c.
- The efficiency for reconstructing additional muons is 83% and that for tracks approximately 100% - just in case you have a NP model in mind
- 2100 pb⁻¹

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Search for $\tau \rightarrow h^+h^-h^-$

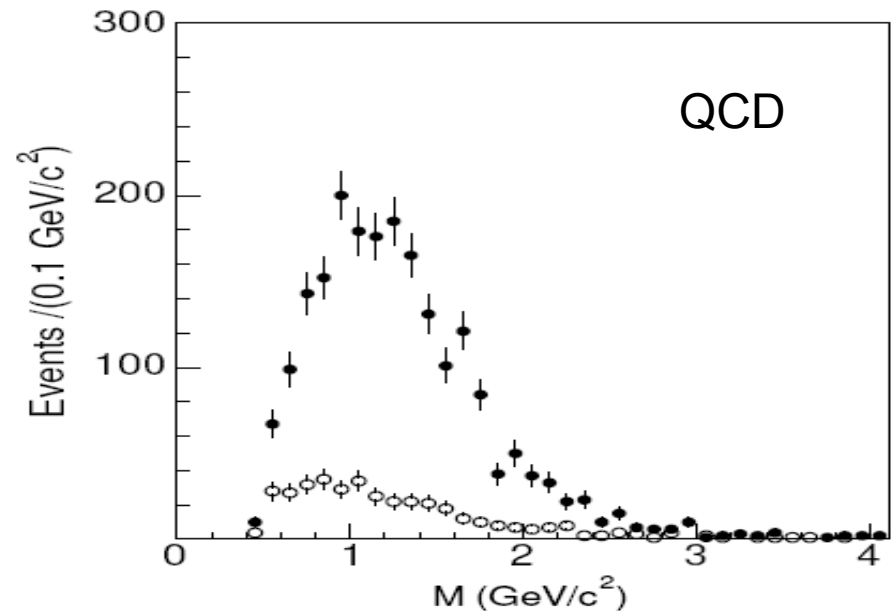
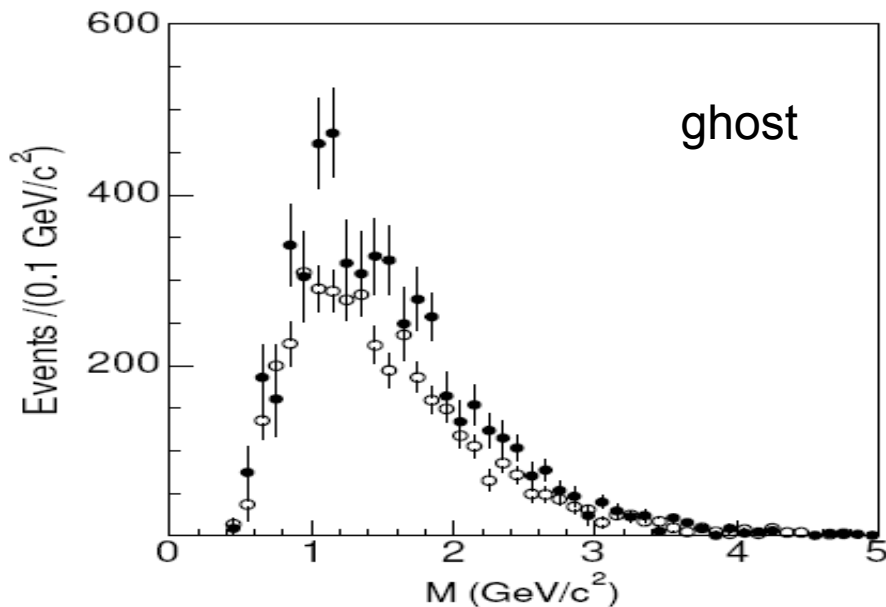


- Construct secondary vertices of three-track systems with charge ± 1 in each cone
- In simulations of h_1 pair production, we reconstruct 0.16 hadronic τ decays/event identified at generator level
- Unfortunately, we also reconstruct 5.5 secondary vertices/event
- The signal is swamped by the combinatorial background ⁵⁴

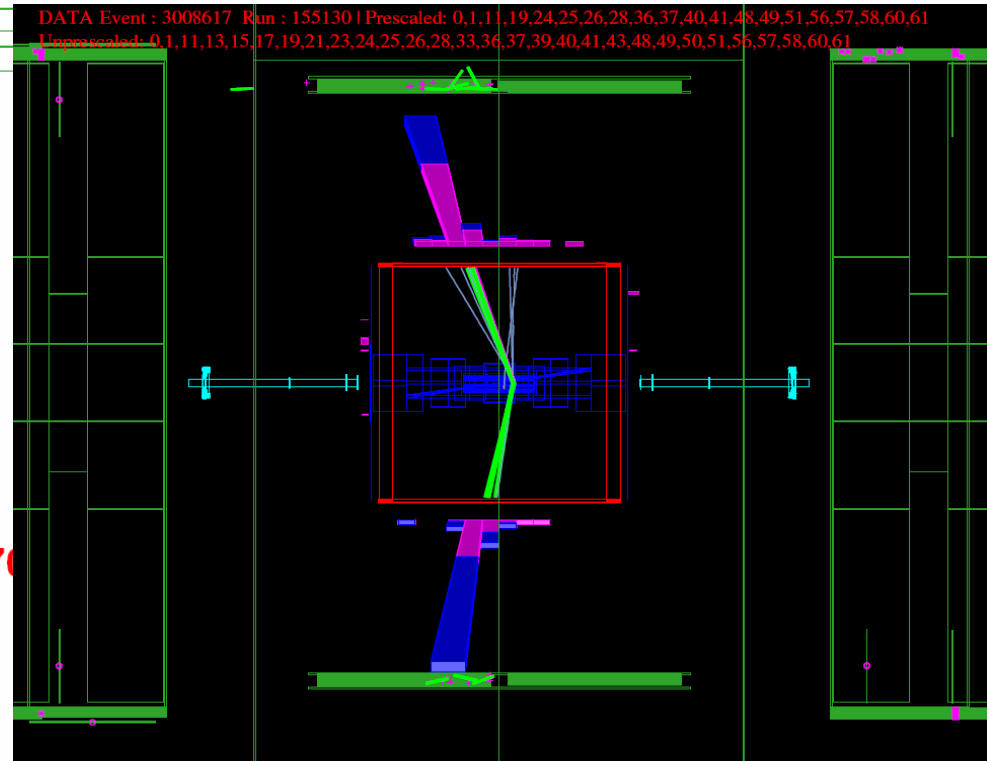
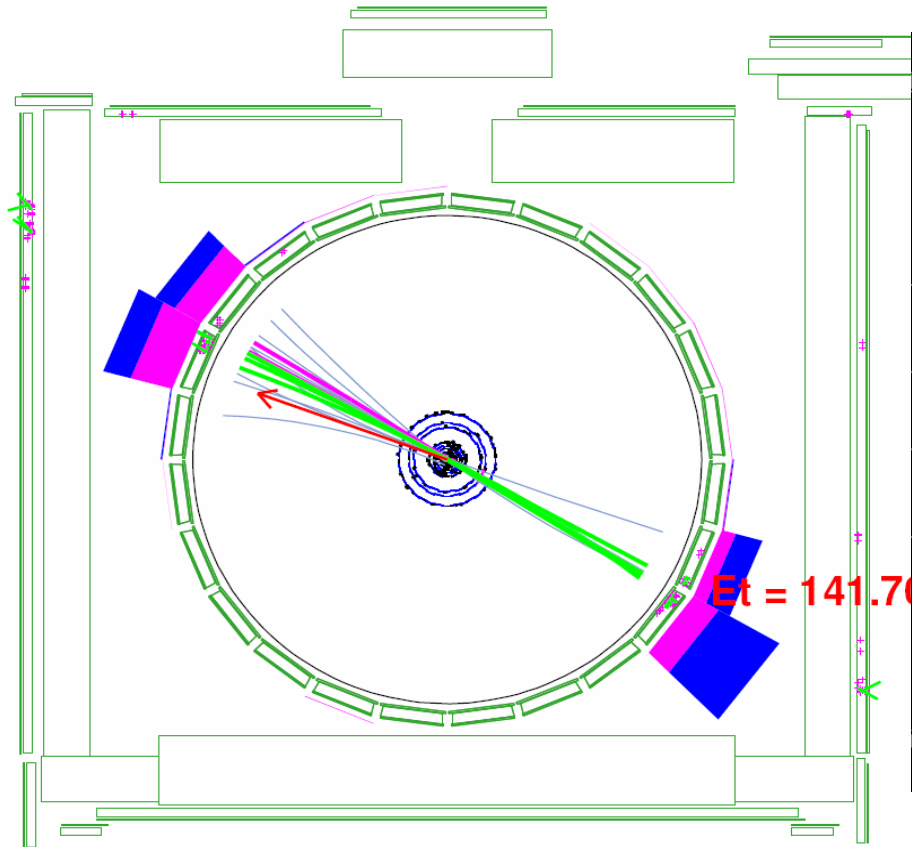
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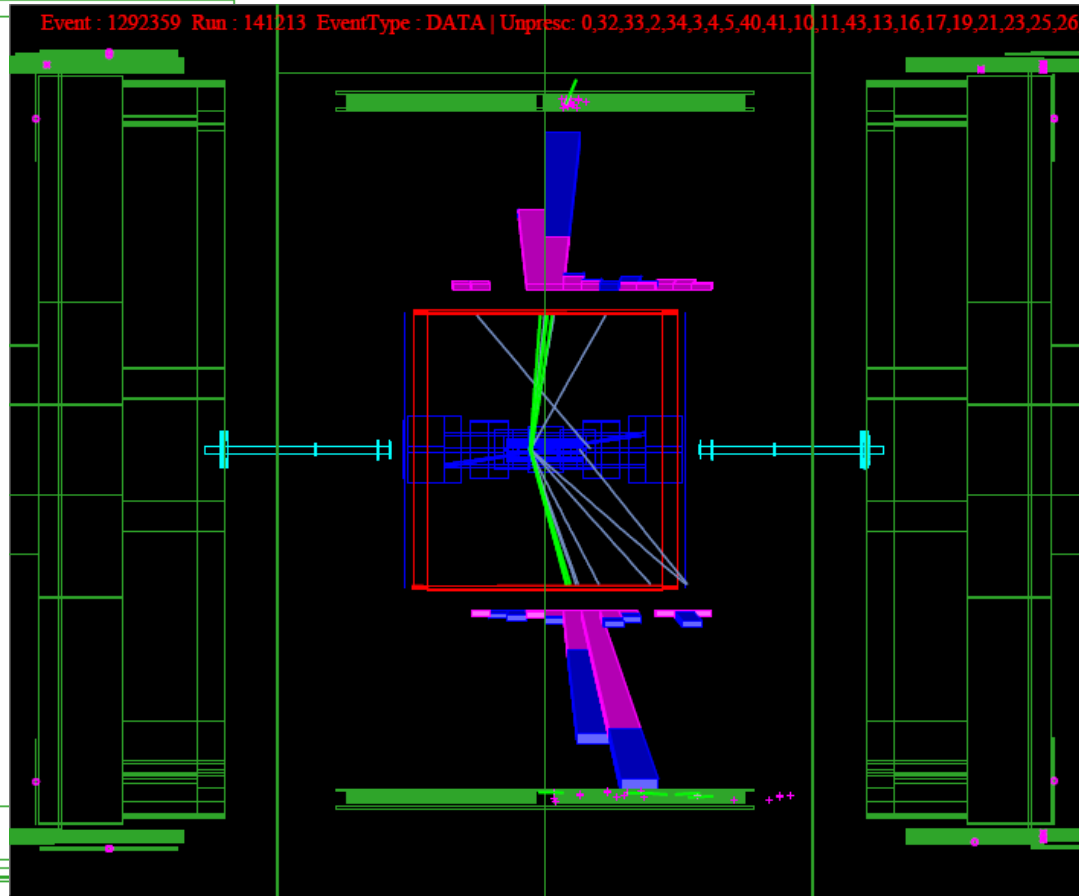
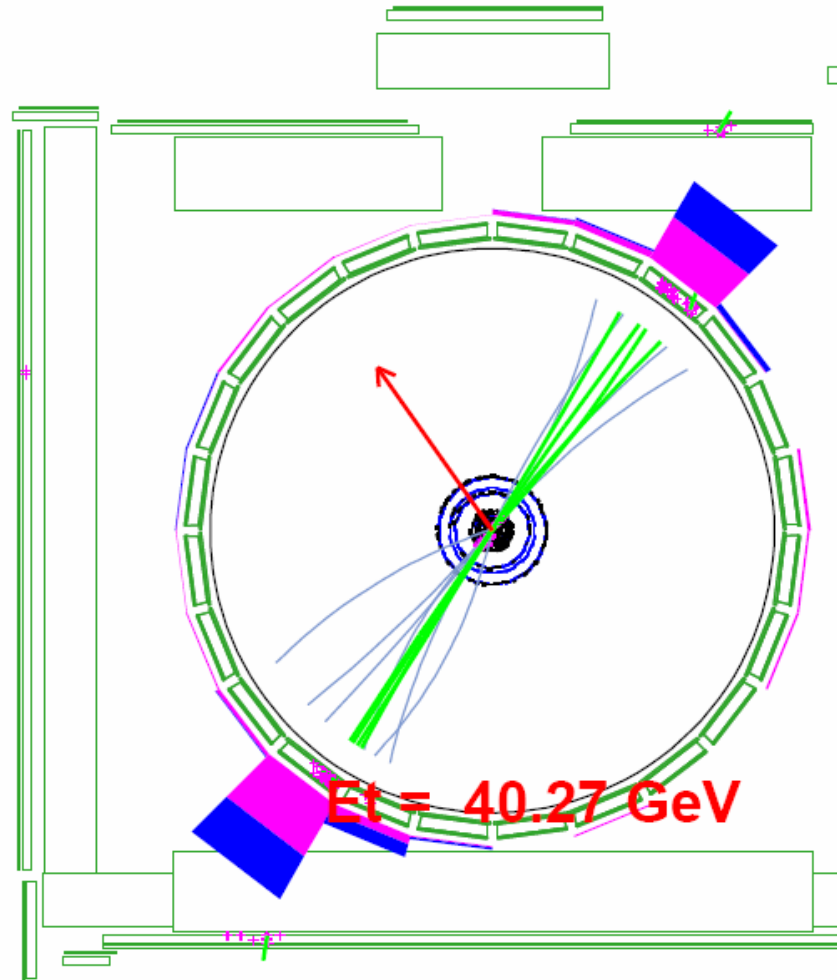
- In h_3 or h_2 pair production simulations (1 τ decays into a muon and the other in 3 hadrons) the signal is comparable to the combinatorial background
- Select data in which one cone contains 1 muon and only 3 tracks



Instant gratification



Instant gratification



A word of prudence



- In ghost events, the rate of fake muons is comparable to the signal
- We have chosen to use all muon detectors and quite loose selection criteria in order to maximize the acceptance and minimize the uncertainty of the detector efficiency
- The muon detectors have been paid with US and Italian taxpayer money. If the moneys were bigger, the detectors would have been better. However, they served us well for more than 20 years (from the top to the B_c discovery).
- Usually, we verify the fake muon prediction to a signal by using analogous data sample
- In this case, we don't have a data sample of known physics that contains as many muons and tracks in a small angular cone as ghost events
- We went through all possible cross-checks, and we see no indication of detector failure. However, it was a flight through choppy air and a landing in the fog.
- It could be a talk in a talk, and I leave it to the question time

Conclusions

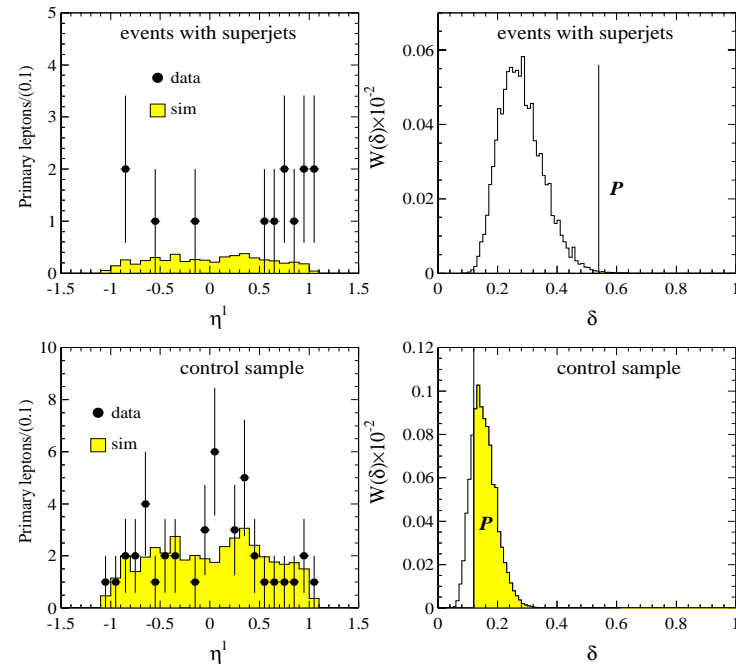
- I have reported an interesting lack of understanding of a significant number of events acquired by CDF with a dedicated dimuon trigger
- These events offer a plausible resolution to all inconsistencies and puzzles that affected measurements of the b -quark production and decay at the Tevatron in the past 10 years
- A significant fraction of these events seems to be special

Muon quality, fakes

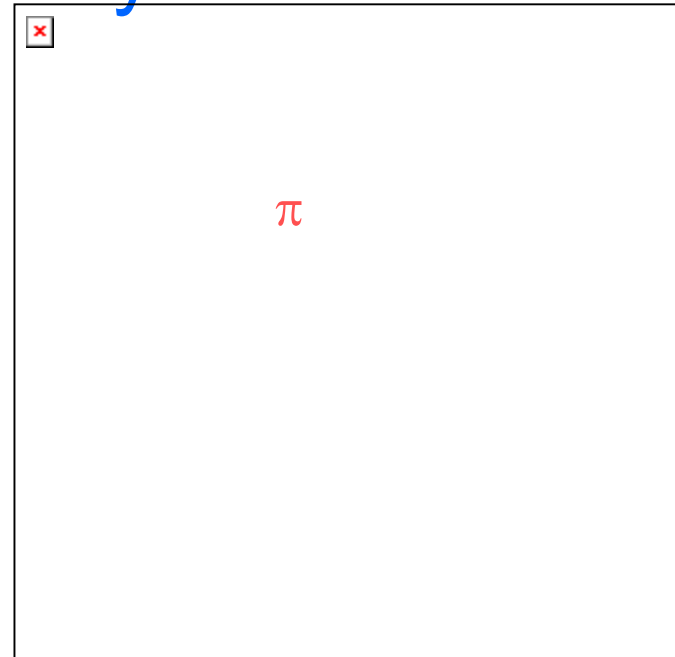
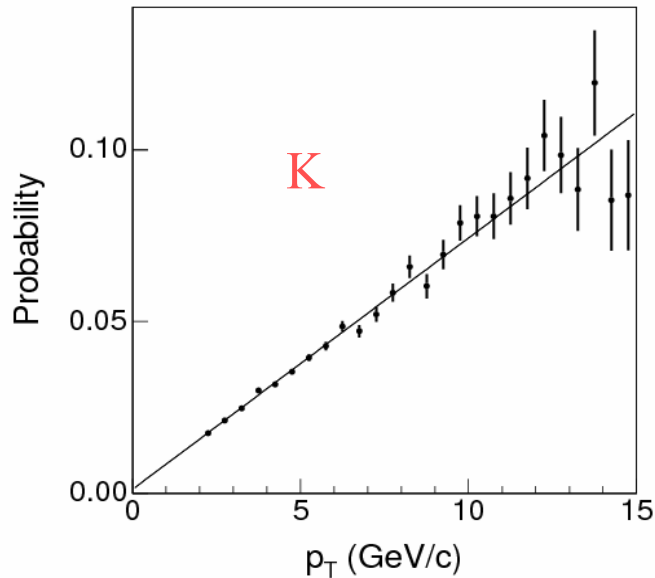
The Run I superjets – Georgi wished he didn't notice



- High p_T isolated lepton sample with large missing energy
- An excess of 8 events in which a jet and a lepton content so high that was consistent with a semileptonic $BR \sim 1$
- The kinematic of the events was so weird that the probability that these events were generated by known sources was less than 10^{-5}
- The lepton and missing energy distributions were not consistent with W decays
- It looked like a detector effect, but we could not find a known process that could cause it
- D0 searched and did not find them
- CDF II does not see them anymore – superjets have disappeared from the high p_T lepton sample
- Then I understood – the Run I CDF calorimeter had a crack at $\eta = \pm 1$ and the crack has been filled for Run II
- Superjets are pair produced. In order to mimick an isolated lepton, one superjet has to go into a calorimeter crack



Fake probability



- The fake muon contribution is evaluated using a fake probability per track, function of p_T , η , and ϕ – □ standard procedure
- The fake probability is evaluated using pions and kaons from D^0 from D^* from B decays. Derived with the method used in [PRD 77, 072004](#) for CMUP muons
- The fake probability does not depend on the SVX requirements on the track
- In the average, only a few % of additional muons and 1.6 additional tracks accompany these pions or kaons
- When using events with at least 2.6 additional tracks, this probability does not change

$\theta < 36.8^\circ$ – additional muons , tracks, and fakes



Init. and add. muon combos

Topology	All	SVX	QCD	Ghost
<i>OS</i>	83237	13309	54545 ± 447	28692 ± 447
<i>SS</i>	50233	7333	30053 ± 246	20180 ± 246

QCD has 1131090 events and 24492 real (OS-SS) muon muon combinations (2.1%) – 10% overestimate

In QCD events, the background combinations are 60106 or 0.05/event
0.05/event

The background is 2.5 times larger than the signal of sequential semileptonic decays of b quarks.

After bkgd subtraction, the signal size is well predicted by the simulation

$\theta < 36.8^\circ$ – additional muons and fakes



ghosts

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Fakes are comparable to the signal – $S/B \sim 1$, whereas for QCD $S/B = 0.4$

Fakes are approximately 20957 or 0.07/event

There are 295481 ghost events

that contain approximately 28000 real muon combinations with *SS* or *OS* charge (9.4%) - the signal is four times larger than in the QCD contribution

Cross-check



- The fraction of additional muons in QCD and ghost events by using only CMUP additional muons with $p_T > 3$ GeV/c.
- Fake CMUP are negligible at the expense of the muon acceptance that is reduced by a factor of 5

Topology	All	QCD	Ghost	F_π
OS	10812	7380 ± 172	3432 ± 123	216 ± 44
SS	4400	2635 ± 104	1765 ± 123	138 ± 35

Fakes are reduced to 7% of the signal or 0.002/event

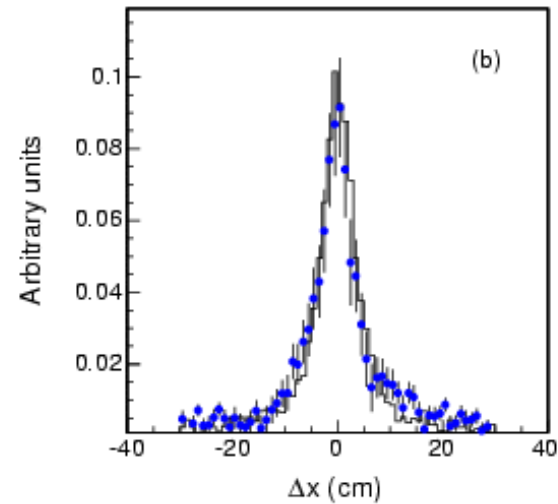
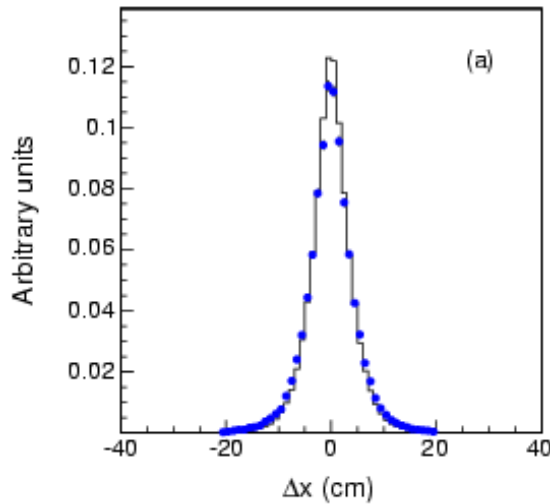
The fraction of real CMUP muon in ghost events $(1.64 \pm 0.08)\%$ is still four times larger than in QCD $(0.40 \pm 0.01)\%$

CMUP fakes

- We have verified the fake CMUP probability per track in the correlated bb cross section measurement
- By fitting the IP of dimuon events with $\chi^2 > 9$ and $\chi^2 < 9$ (different fake contributions) we estimate that the fraction of fake CMUP in bb events is negligible and slightly overestimated by the fake probability prediction applied to bb events prior to requiring semileptonic decays
- From the sample composition determined by the IP fit, $BP/BB = 0.194 \pm 0.13$. Applying the fake probability per track to a bg simulation we predict 0.21 ± 0.01

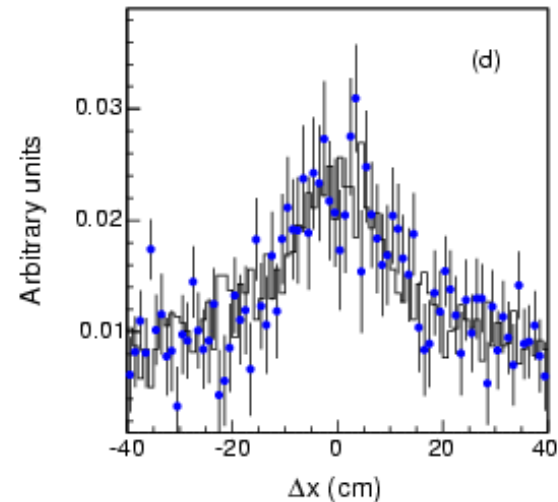
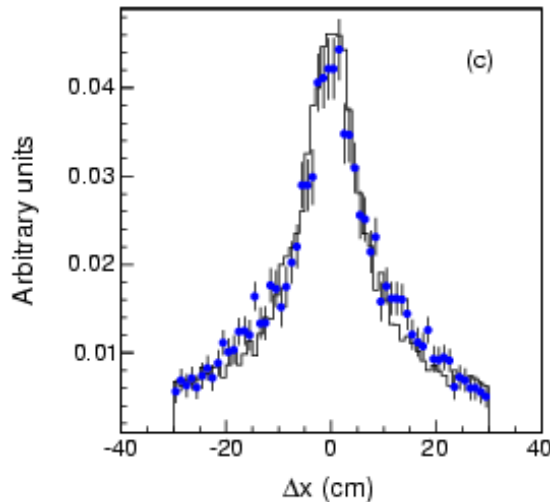
Distance between a muon stub and the extrapolation of a track into the muon detector

QCD - Ghosts



Add. CMUP

Trigger CMUP

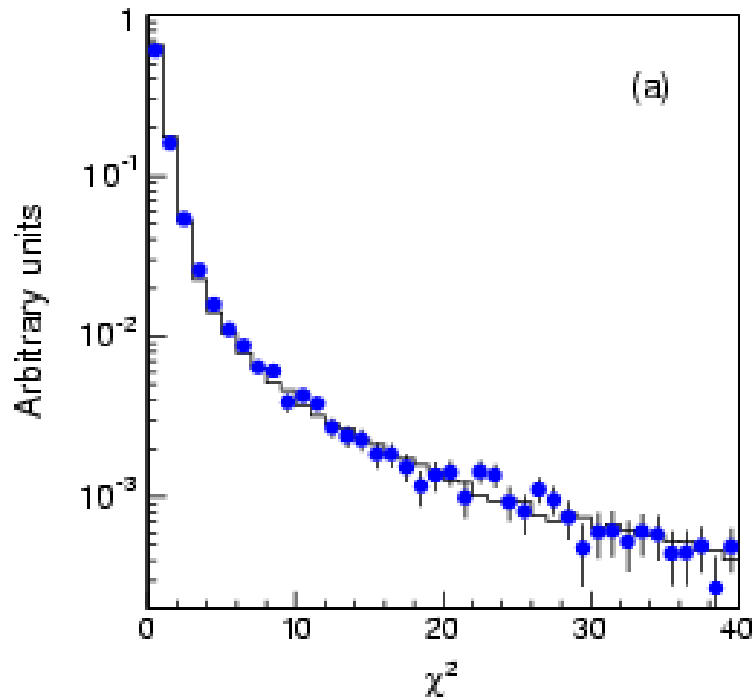


Add. CMP

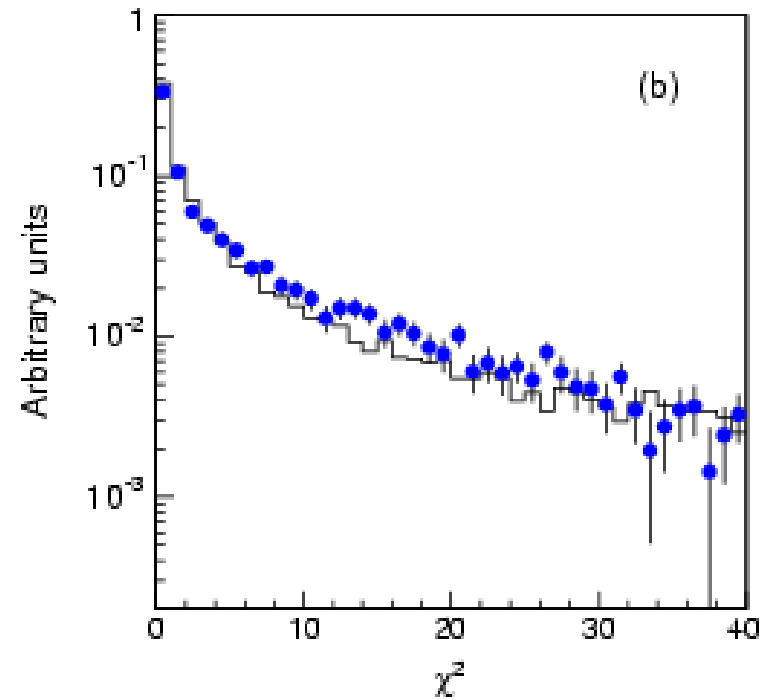
Add. CMU

$$\chi^2 = (\Delta x / \sigma)^2$$

QCD - Ghosts



Trigger CMUP

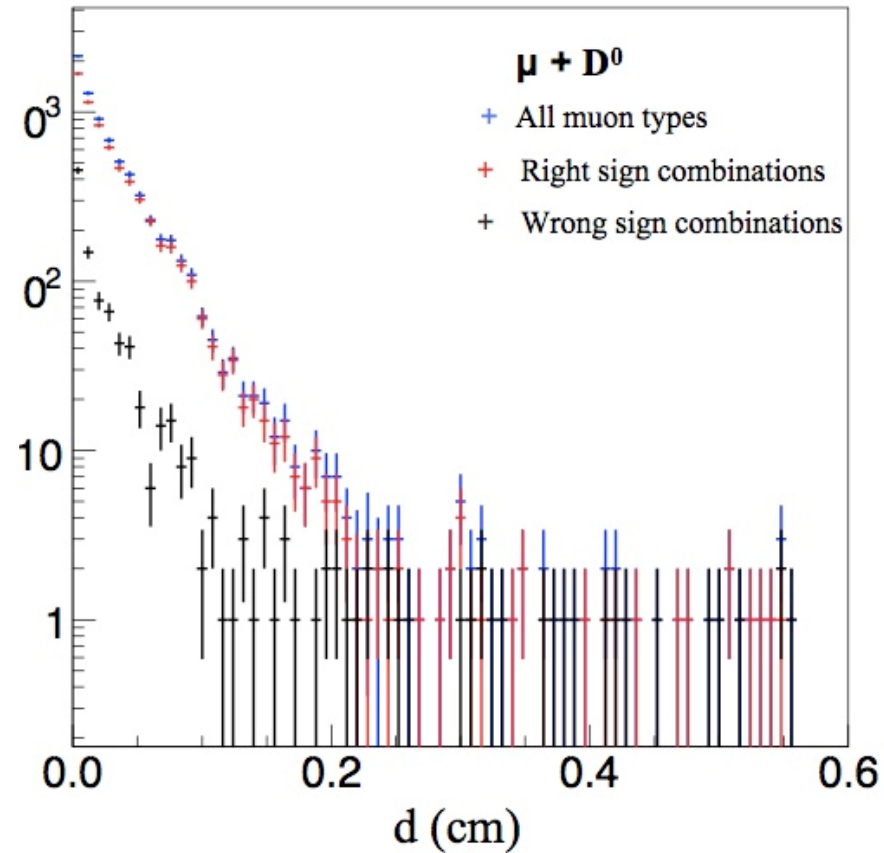
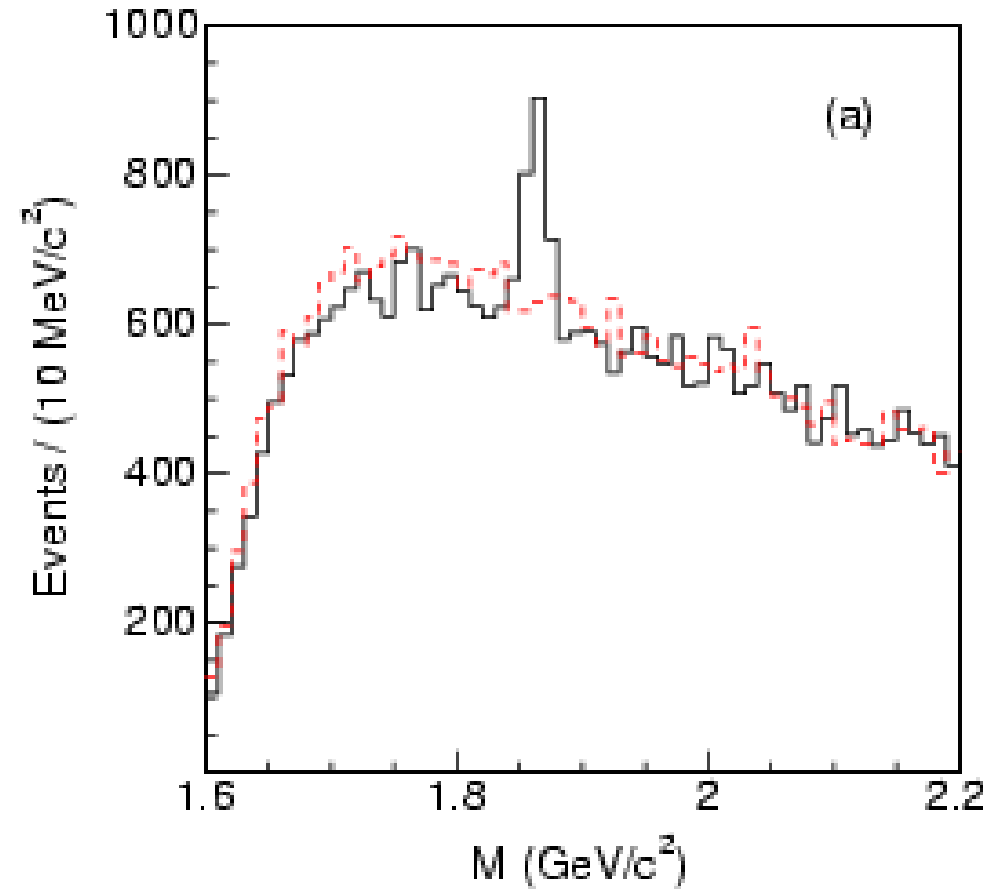


Add. muons

Muon detector occupancy (%)

	CMU	CMP	CMUP	CMX
QCD	53 ± 0.7	26 ± 0.5	$17 \pm 0.0.4$	4 ± 0.2
Ghost	60 ± 1.4	24 ± 1.0	14 ± 0.8	2 ± 0.4

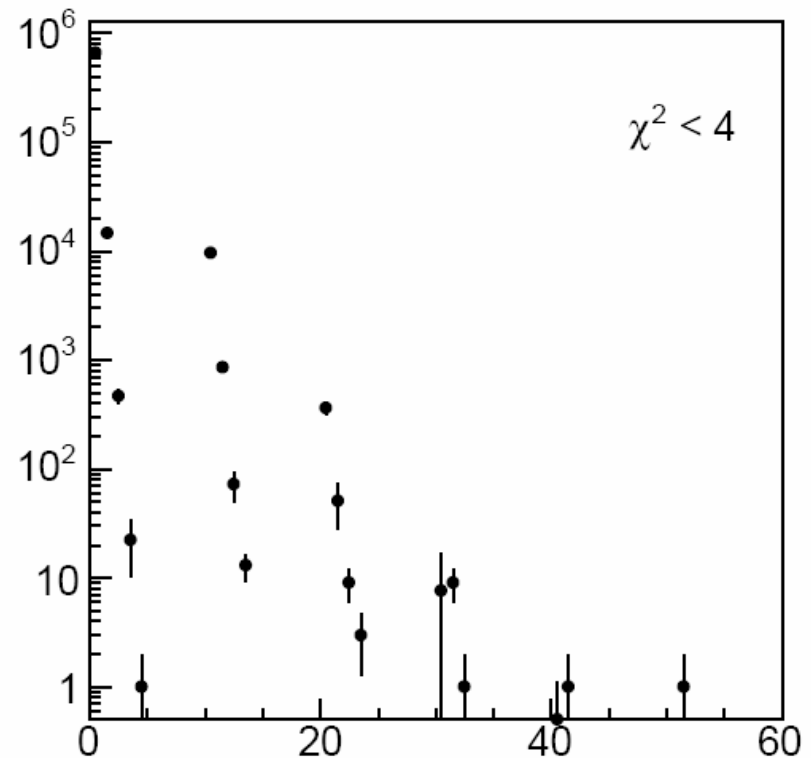
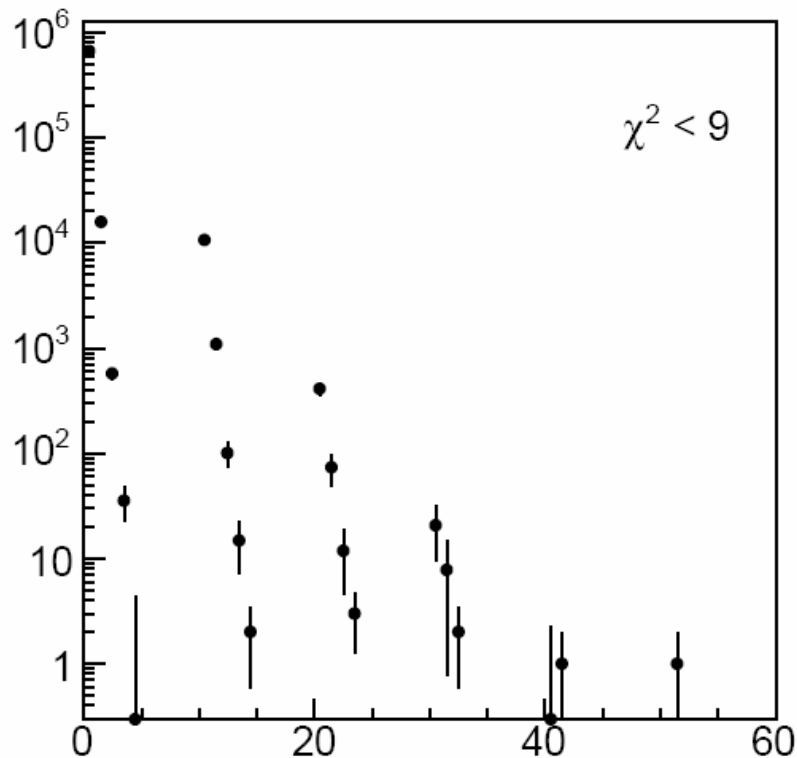
Fakes - trigger CMUP and add. muons in bb events



Cross-check



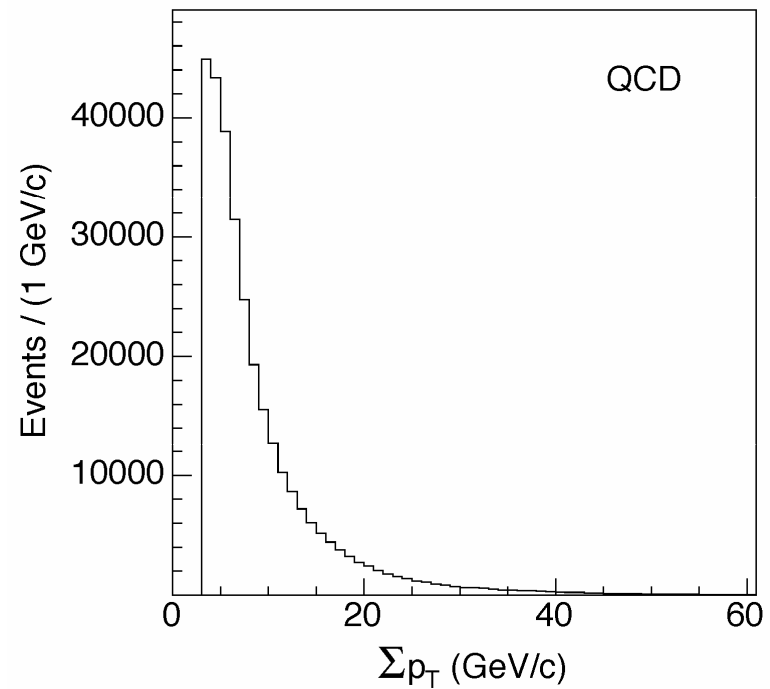
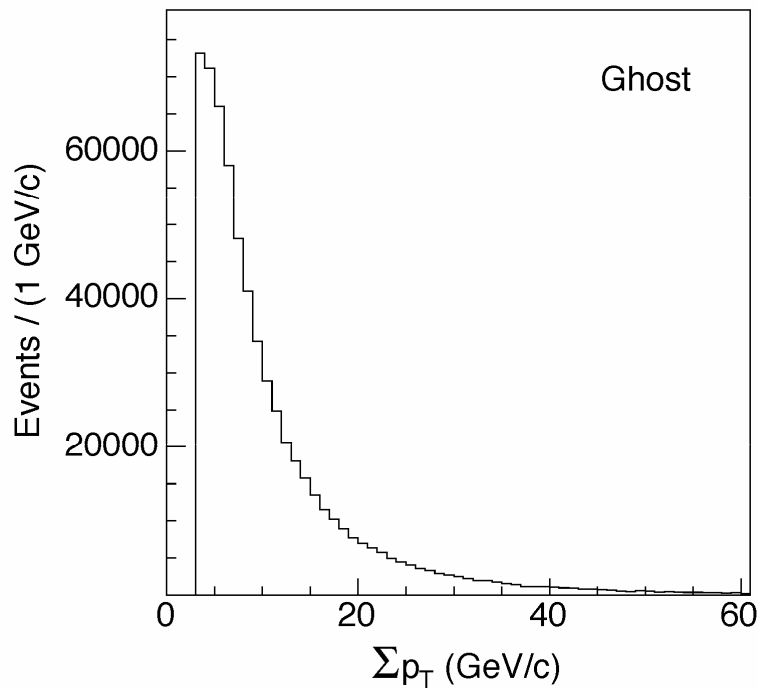
- We select CMU, CMP, and CMX muons with $\Delta x \leq 30, 40, 30$ cm respectively (Δx is the difference between the muon stub and the track extrapolated in the corresponding muon detector)
- These cuts correspond to a 3σ match in the r - ϕ plane between the muon stub and a 2 GeV/c track extrapolated into the muon detector
- Look at the multiplicity distribution for a 3 and 2σ match



Cross-check punchthrough



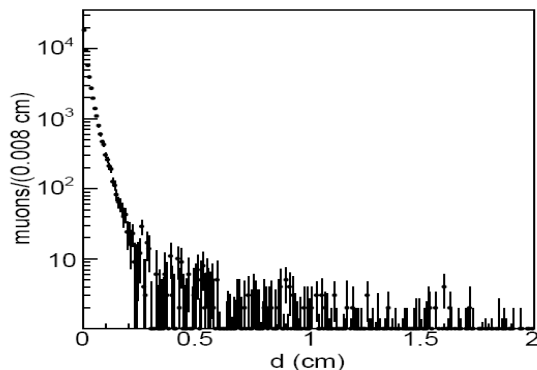
- We evaluate the number of fake muons by using a punchthrough probability per track
- This is a standard procedure in CDF analyses (from the top to the B_c discovery)
- Is the observed high muon multiplicity due to a breakdown of the method that has never been observed in previous analyses ?
- Very unlikely, since we can predict the rate of additional muons in QCD events and the momentum of all tracks in a cone are comparable.



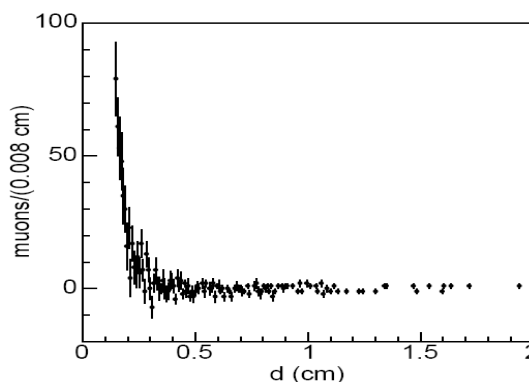
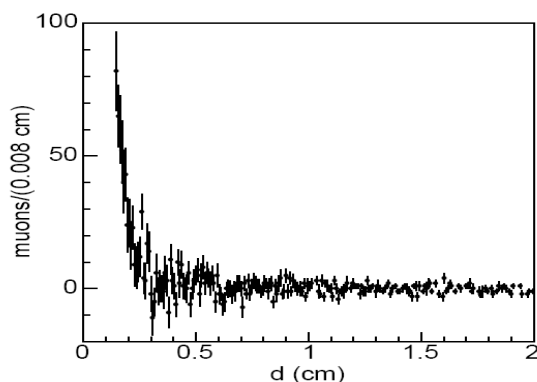
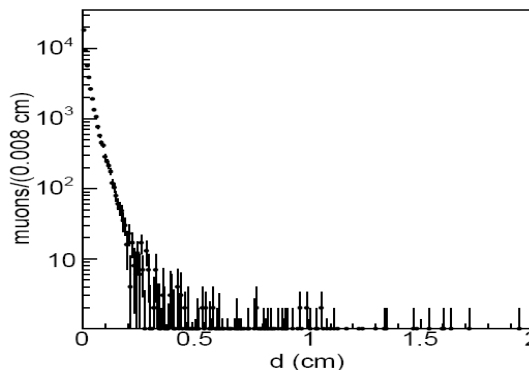
Is the large IP tail a detector effect ?



No SVX



Loose SVX

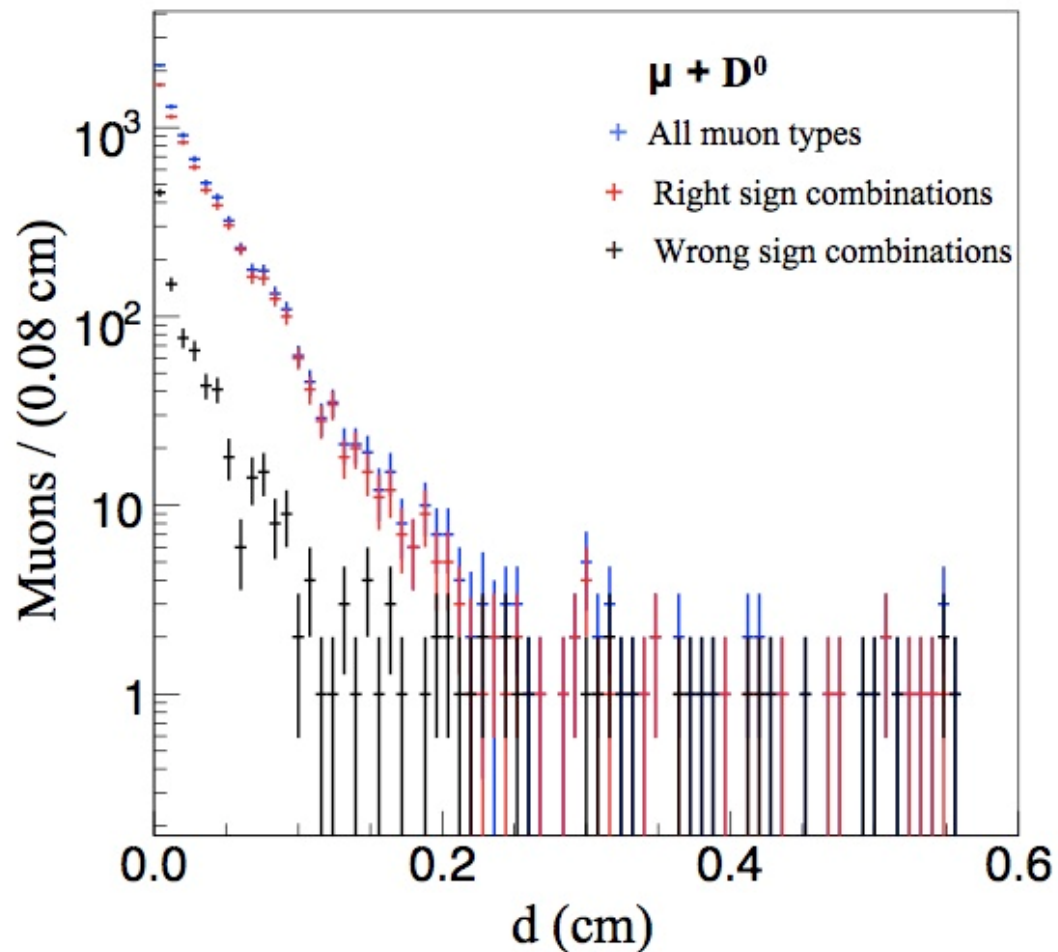


- Impact parameter distribution of CMUP trigger muons accompanied by a D^0 meson – distributions are side-band subtracted

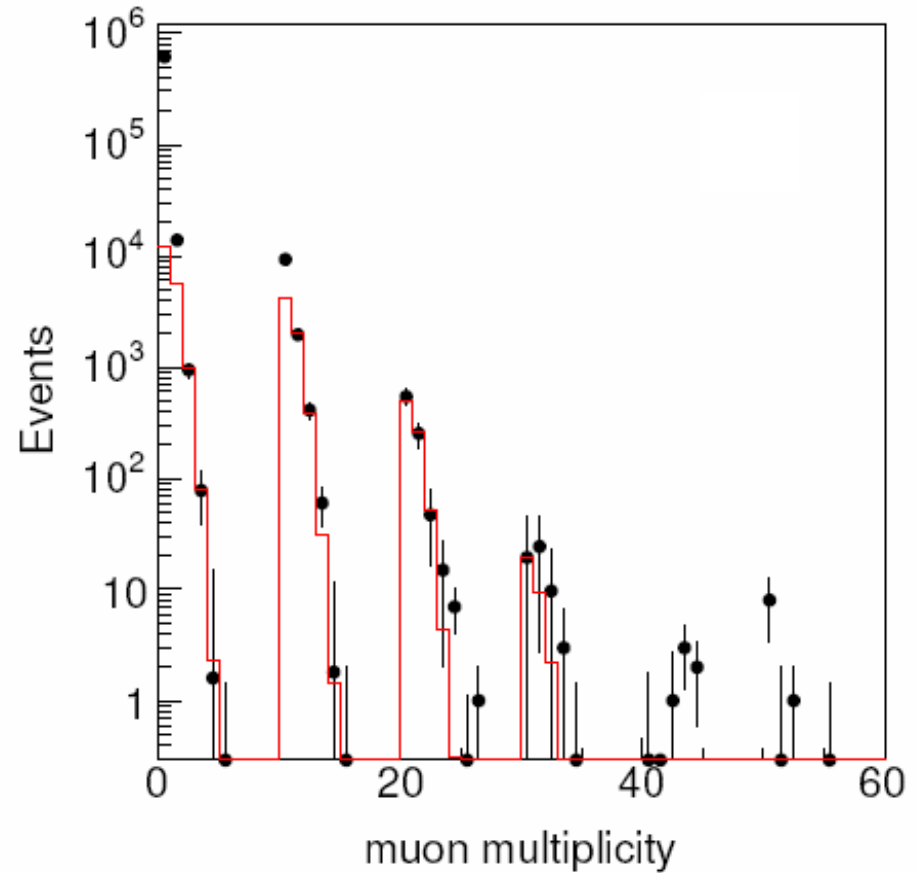
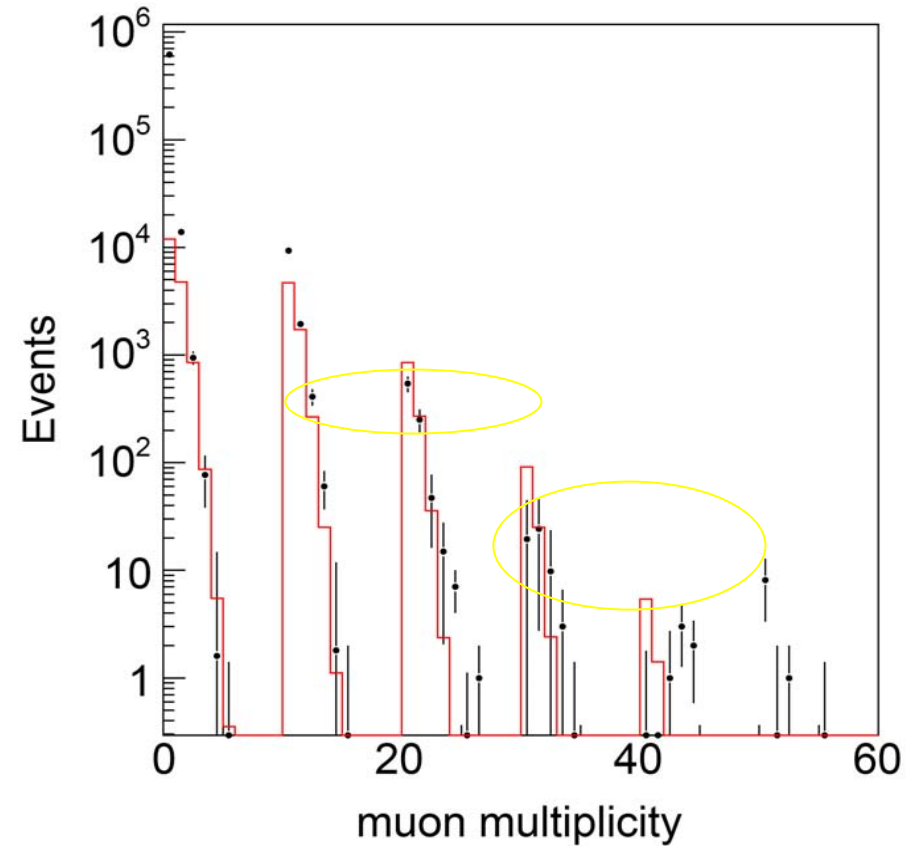
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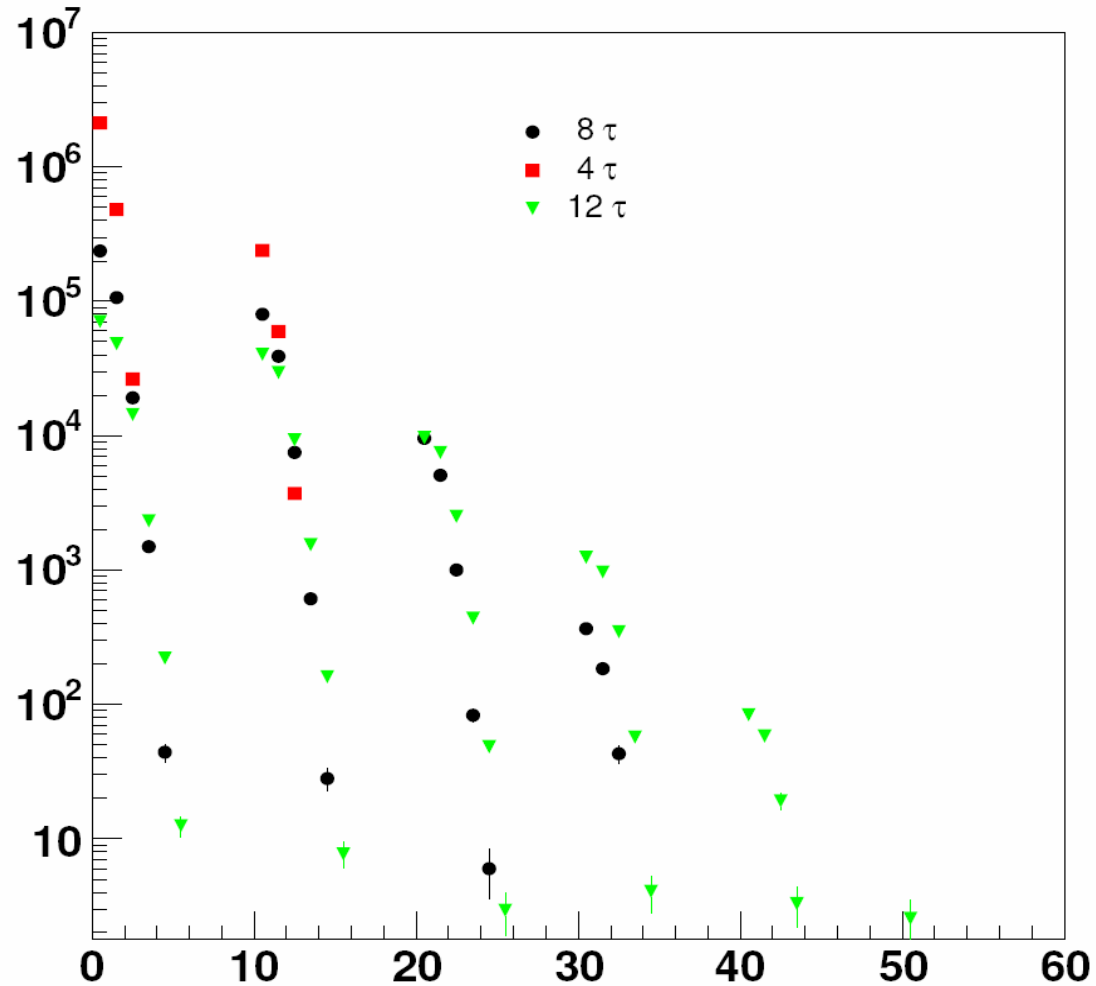
- ❑ Impact parameter distribution of muons accompanying a D^0 meson – distributions are side-band subtracted
- ❑ Muons are selected as the additional muons in this analysis



8 τ with random charge

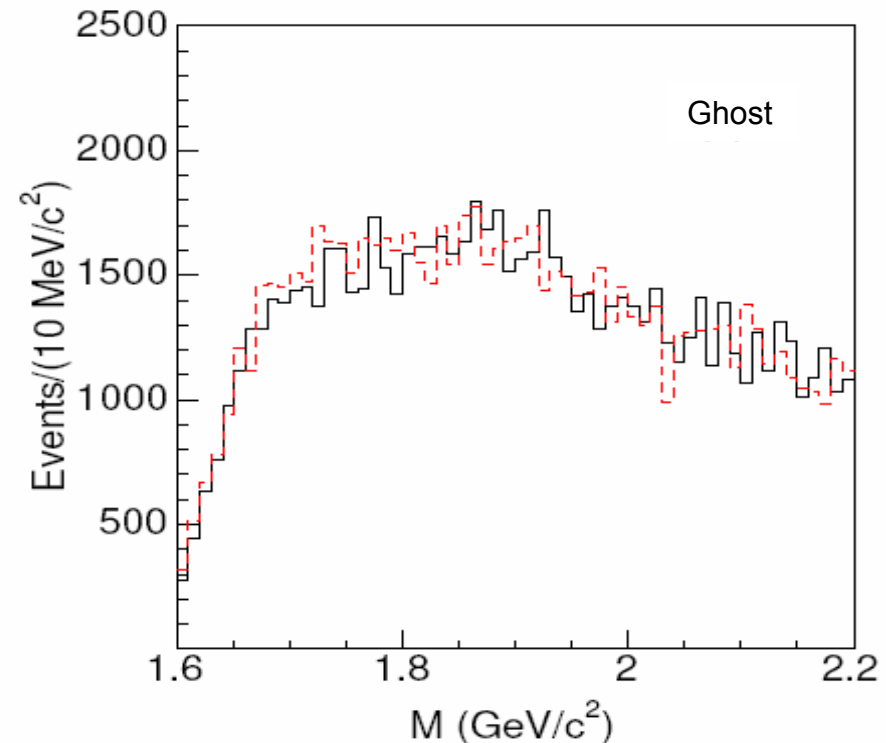
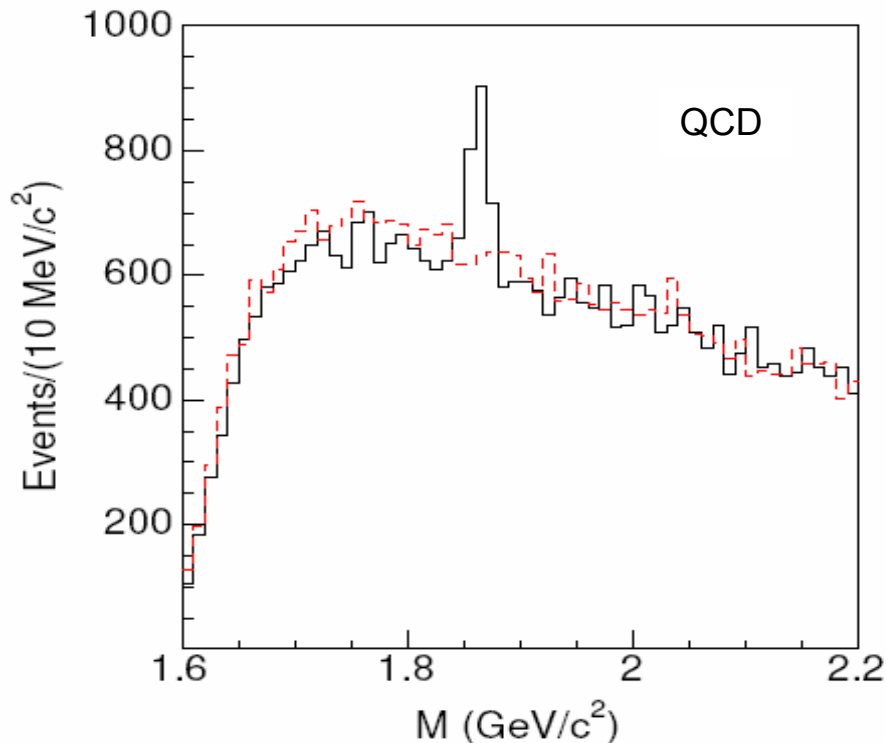


Sensitivity to the number of τ



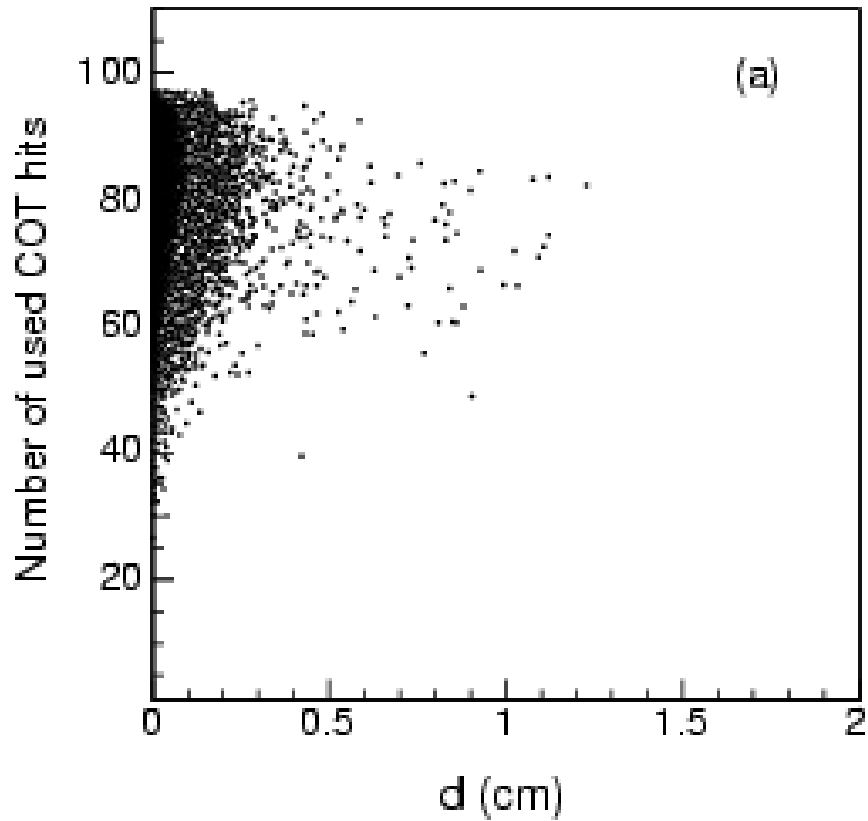
Is this a feature of CDF II ?

- The rate of muons originating beyond the beam pipe does not depend on the luminosity, time, or number of $p\bar{p}$ interactions in the same event
- It does not seem to be the result of track pattern recognition failures
- Ghost events are not QCD events in which one muon track is misreconstructed
- One example: presence of D^0 mesons

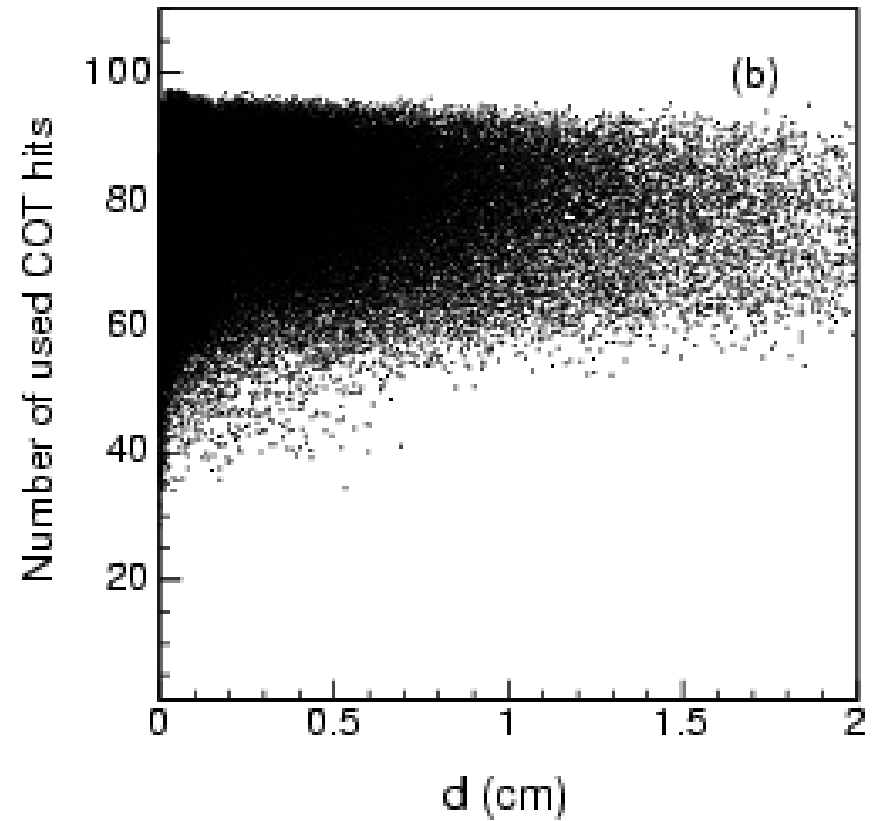


COT track quality

QCD



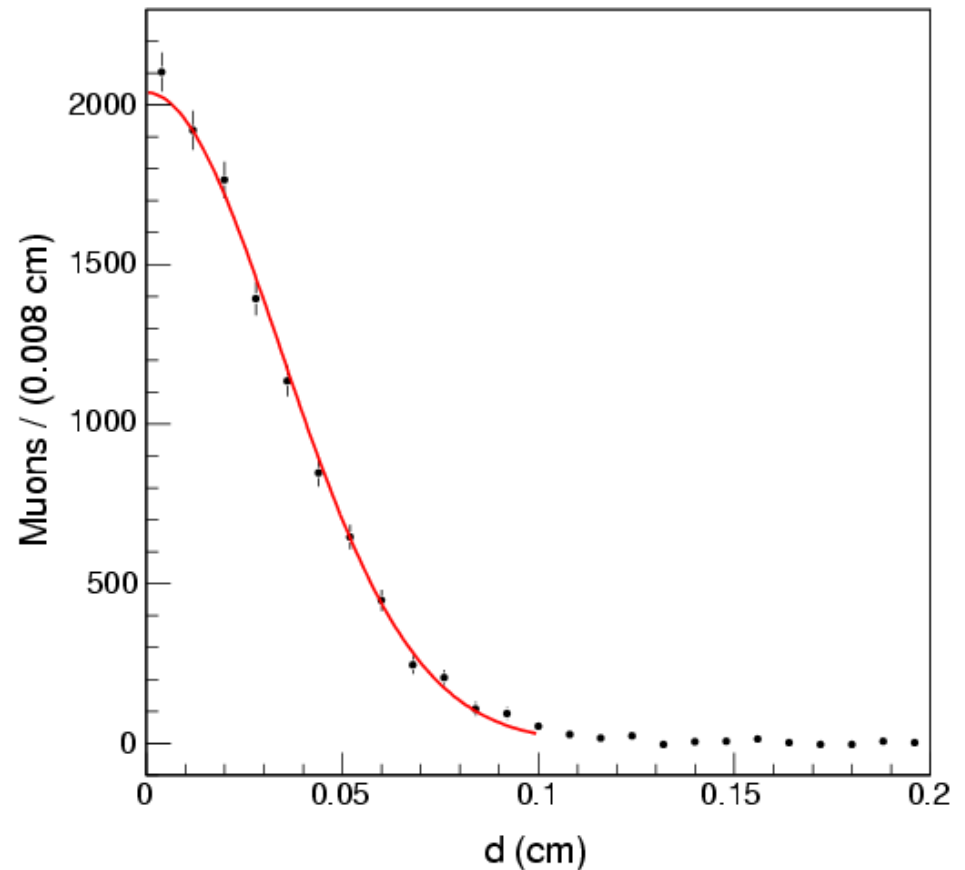
Ghost



COT track quality

The IP resolution of tracks with loose SVX requirements is $\sim 30 \mu\text{m}$

The IP resolution of COT only tracks is $230 \mu\text{m}$



Y candidates

The combinatorial background has been subtracted with a sideband technique

Secondary interactions pointing into a calorimeter crack

- Reconstruct secondary vertices using pairs of muons in the same cone

