

Search for new heavy stable charged particles with the CMS experiment

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CMS Detector — Muon : long-lived particle

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Physical Motivation

Split-SUSY

- ❑ Super-symmetry -> each particle of the SM has an associated super-partner (spin symmetry)
- ❑ Many supersymmetric theories : focus on **Split**-SUSY
- ❑ In **Split**-SUSY, fermions partners have very high masses, whereas bosons partners very low

Split-SUSY

- ❑ Predicts the existence of **new** particles
- ❑ The observation of those particles will depend on
 - ❑ *Their lifetime*
 - ❑ *Their masses*
 - ❑ *Their decay modes*

$$d = \beta * \gamma * \tau * c$$

d : pathlength
 τ : lifetime
 γ : relativistic factor
 c : celerity
 β : relativistic factor

Physical Motivation

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- ❑ Not observed yet, mass limits have been determined by CMS previously :

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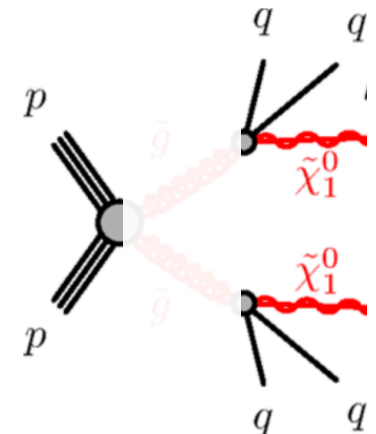
Multiple searches

Prompt searches

- ❑ If the particle decays we **can** detect its decay products
- ❑ Search was done and no discovery yet

What we see in the detector

Invisible particles (neutral)
+ jets



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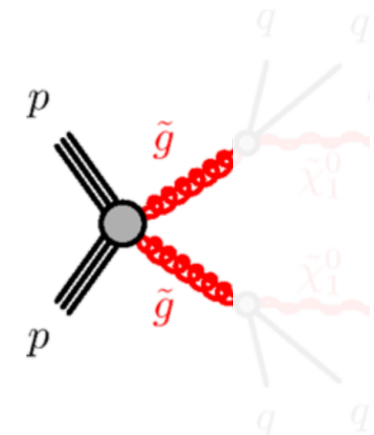
Long-lived Searches

Focus on long-lived

- If the particle is long-lived, it won't decay inside the detector, and we **can't** see its decay products

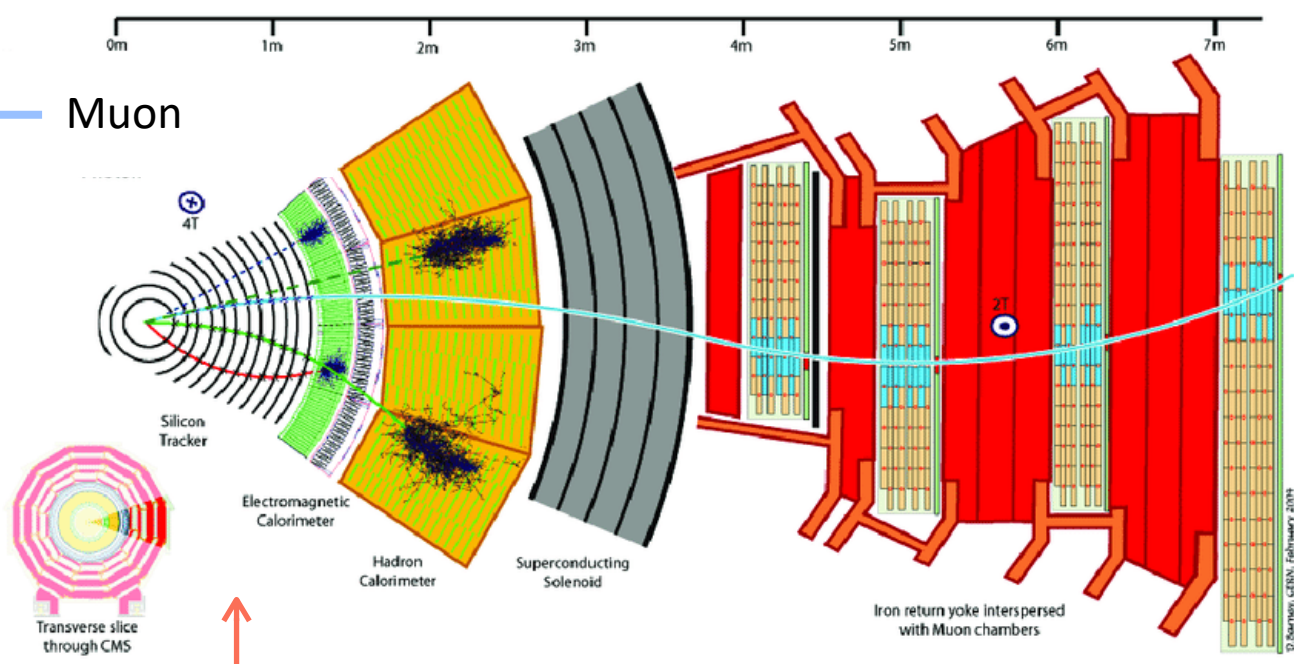
What we see in the detector

No decay
Particle goes through the whole detector



Experimental Signatures

Compact Muon Solenoid : Detector installed at one interaction point of **LHC (CERN)**



↑
Ionization

Stable

- They can decay outside of the detector
 $ct > 7m$

Heavy

- **$M_{\text{gluino}} > 1400 \text{ GeV}$**
- ↕
- $\frac{p}{m} = \beta\gamma < 1$
- $p = \text{momentum}$
- $m = \text{mass}$
- $\beta = \frac{v}{c}$
- $\gamma = \text{relativistic factor}$
- Non ultra-relativistic regime induces a delay within the detector → **loss of signal**

Charged

- Electromagnetic interactions leave tracks in the detector

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} \approx \frac{1}{\beta^2} \quad \beta < 1 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \text{Highly Ionising Particles}$$

HSCP studies context

HSCP -> Heavy Stable Charged Particles

1 Trigger / Preselection

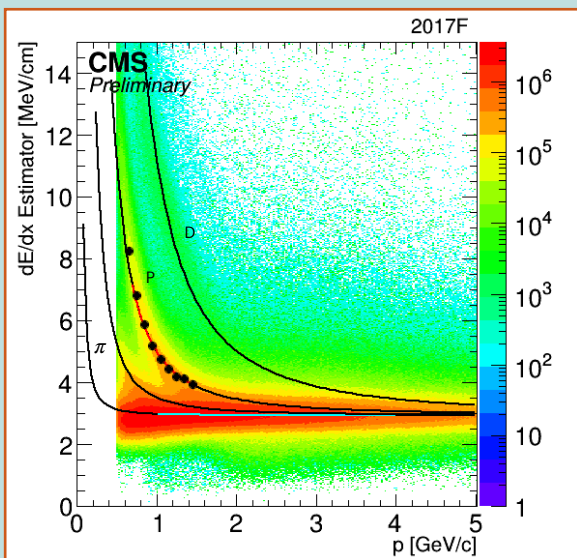
High quality isolated track

2 Selection

p_T and I_{as} (Ionization Discriminator)

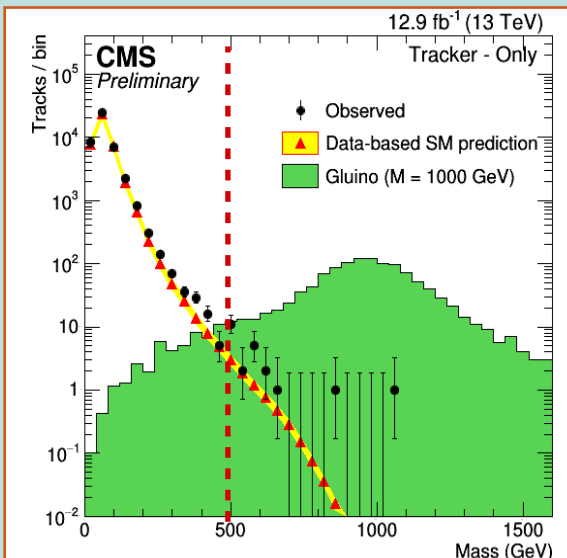
3 dE/dx vs P

Using Bethe-Bloch Formula

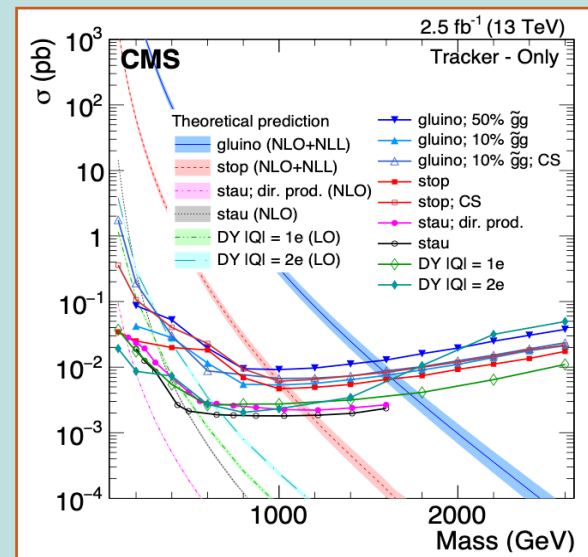


Track momenta

4 Mass Reconstruction



5 Limits computation



Mass Cut

Did we save physics of interest ?

LHC Run II (2015-2018)

- ❑ proton-proton collisions at 13 TeV
- ❑ Cross-section $\sigma_{p-p} = 110 \text{ mb}$
- ❑ Integrated Luminosity : 139 fb^{-1}

Total : **1.1×10^{16} collisions**

Estimated gluino production

- ❑ Cross-section : $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{g}(m=2\text{TeV})} \approx 1\text{fb}$

Total \approx **150 events**

$$\frac{150}{1.1 \cdot 10^{16}} \approx 10^{-14}$$

2 trigger systems

Level-1 Trigger

Electronic cards
 $40 \text{ MHz} \rightarrow 100 \text{ kHz}$
(0,25%)

Interesting physics
 $\leq 4 \mu\text{s}$



High Level Trigger

Computer farm
 $100 \text{ kHz} \rightarrow 1000 \text{ Hz}$
(1%)

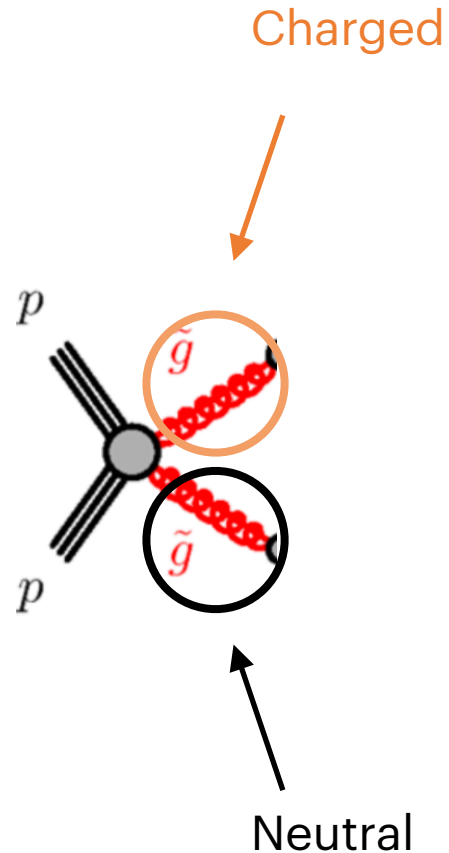
Software track
reconstruction
 $\leq 150 \text{ ms}$



Part I

Triggers

Hadronization



- Gluinos can hadronize into **charged** or **neutral** hadrons
- They are produced by pairs (r-parity conservation)
 - If one is neutral and the other one charged :
 - The neutral particle can not be directly detected, but one can know when there is **missing energy** in the **transverse** plane -> We call that **MET**

Trigger efficiencies

Efficiency

$$\epsilon_i = \frac{N_i^{selection}}{N^{selection}}$$

Problem : small efficiencies

<i>Pre-selection</i>	Efficiencies (%)
IsoMu20	14.7 ± 0.27
Mu50	14.83 ± 0.26
PFMET120	34.06 ± 0.51
PFHT500	11.75 ± 0.27
PFHT1050	10.3 ± 0.41

Private work (CMS simulation)

Correlations

$$C_{ij} = \frac{N_{i\&j}^{selection}}{N_{i||j}^{selection}}$$

The lower
the best

- Let's assume 2 triggers, A and B :

If $\mathbf{A_{true}} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{B_{true}}$: A and B are **highly** correlated

- The goal is to improve detection efficiency by having uncorrelated triggers that we can combine (next slide)

- After correlation study, we will combine those 3 triggers

Mu50, PFMET120, PFHT500

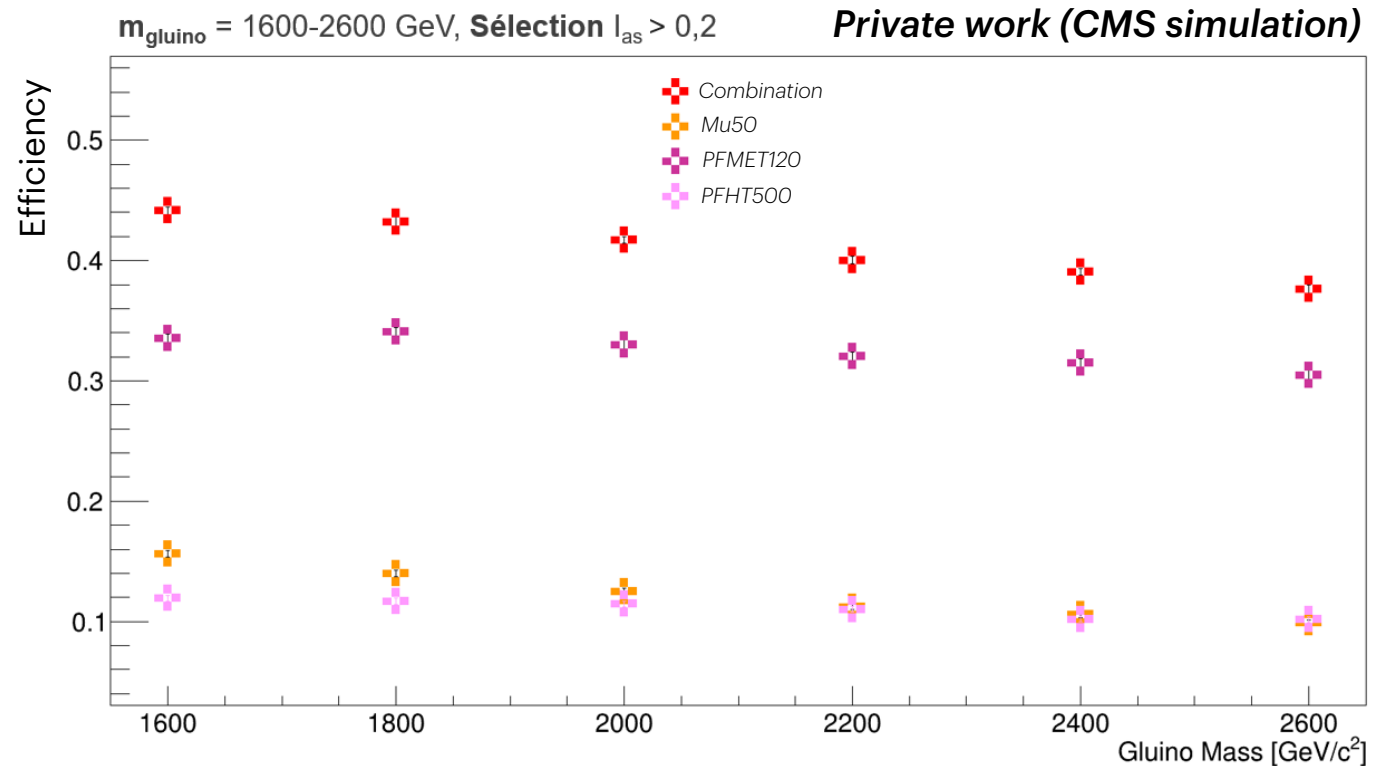
Trigger efficiencies as function of Mass

- Study performed with different selections in l_{as}

Glino mass (GeV/c ²)	Pre-selection	Selection
1800	49.1 ± 0.4	45.1 ± 0.3

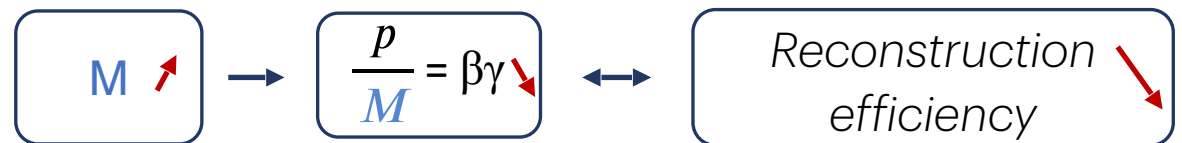
Efficiency of the combined triggers as a function of the selection

- **Low efficiencies based on muons !**
- **Higher capacity to get signal via MET triggers**



Combined and raw trigger efficiencies

- Efficiency decreases as the mass increases



Trigger Results

- ❑ Observations :
 - Efficiencies are below 35%
 - Efficiencies decrease as mass gets higher
- ❑ This study allowed to go from 35 to 45% efficiency by combining multiple triggers
- ❑ What about developing a new trigger at HLT level ?
(Coming next)

Developing a new Trigger for run 3

Since the trigger efficiencies for run 2 are low, the development of a new trigger for run 3 was brought up

High Level Trigger

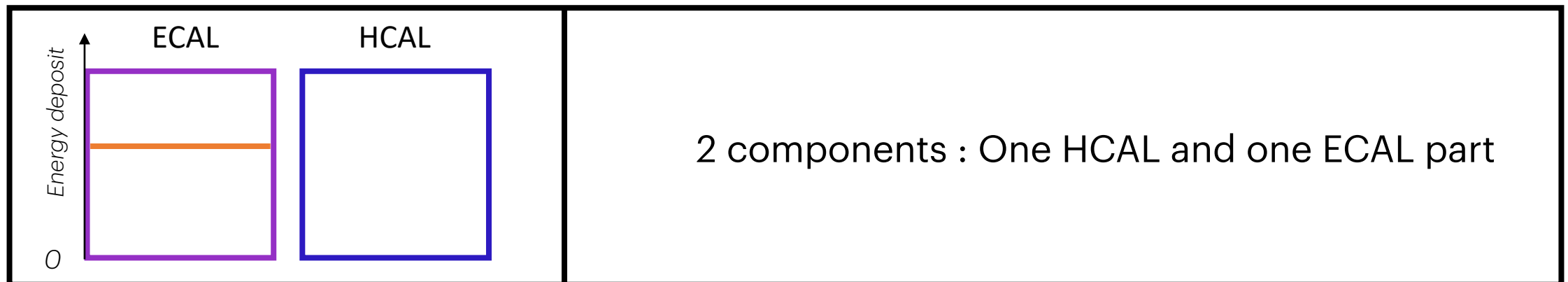
Computer farm
100 kHz \rightarrow 1000 Hz
(1%)
Software track
reconstruction
 ≤ 150 ms



- ❑ Any High Level Trigger : sequence of filters / producers, quick response (150 ms)
- ❑ First filter applied in the HLT has only calorimetric information

Can we identify HSCP using only that ?

Simplistic view of a Calo Tower



How do we identify HSCP's ?

Signatures

High dE/dx

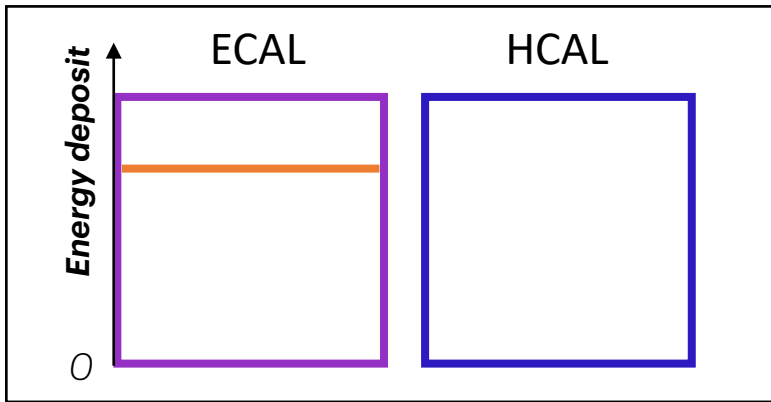
The energy deposit is higher than a MIP

Electromagnetic interactions

The dE/dx are ~ the same in ECAL and HCAL

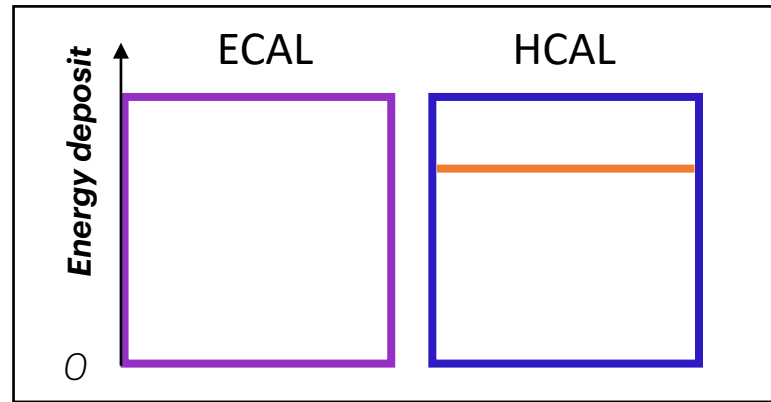
→ Unique ratio $\frac{E_{ECAL}}{E_{HCAL}}$

Electrons



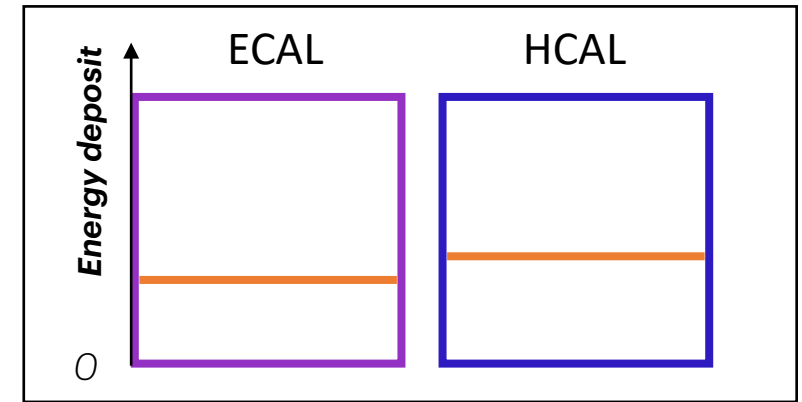
No energy deposit in HCAL

Hadrons



No energy deposit in ECAL

HSCP



Same energy deposit in HCAL and ECAL

Calo Tower based filter

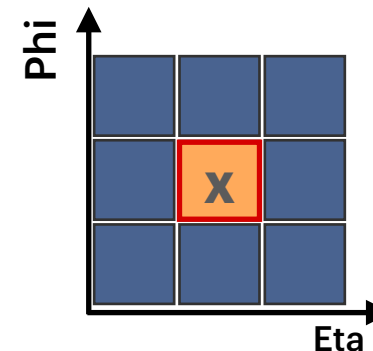
- Find a **seed (= tower above thresholds)**

- $E_{ECAL} > 2 \text{ MIP}$
- $E_{HCAL} > 2 \text{ MIP}$
- $(E_{ECAL} + E_{HCAL}) < 10 \text{ MIP}$



$$0 < \frac{E_{ECAL}}{E_{HCAL}} < 0.3$$

Compute an isolation variable based on the **seeds** neighbours



Calo Towers Map

Performances

RUN 2

$$\epsilon_{hscp}^{mtch\ seed} = \frac{N_{matched\ seed}^{HSCP\ presel}}{N_{HSCP\ presel}} = 32.3\%$$

RUN 3

$$\epsilon_{hscp}^{mtch\ seed} = \frac{N_{matched\ seed}^{HSCP\ presel}}{N_{HSCP\ presel}} = 31.1\%$$

- ❖ 30% for the first filter of a trigger means that the whole trigger can be at **BEST** at 30%, this is not very high
- ❖ Can be combined to gain efficiency

Part II

Selection

HSCP studies context

HSCP -> Heavy Stable Charged Particles

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High quality isolated track

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3 dE/dx vs P

Using Bethe-Bloch Formula



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Offline Selection

Pre-selection

- Detectors acceptance
- Compatibility between the track and the collision point

Selection

- $I_{as} > 0.2$

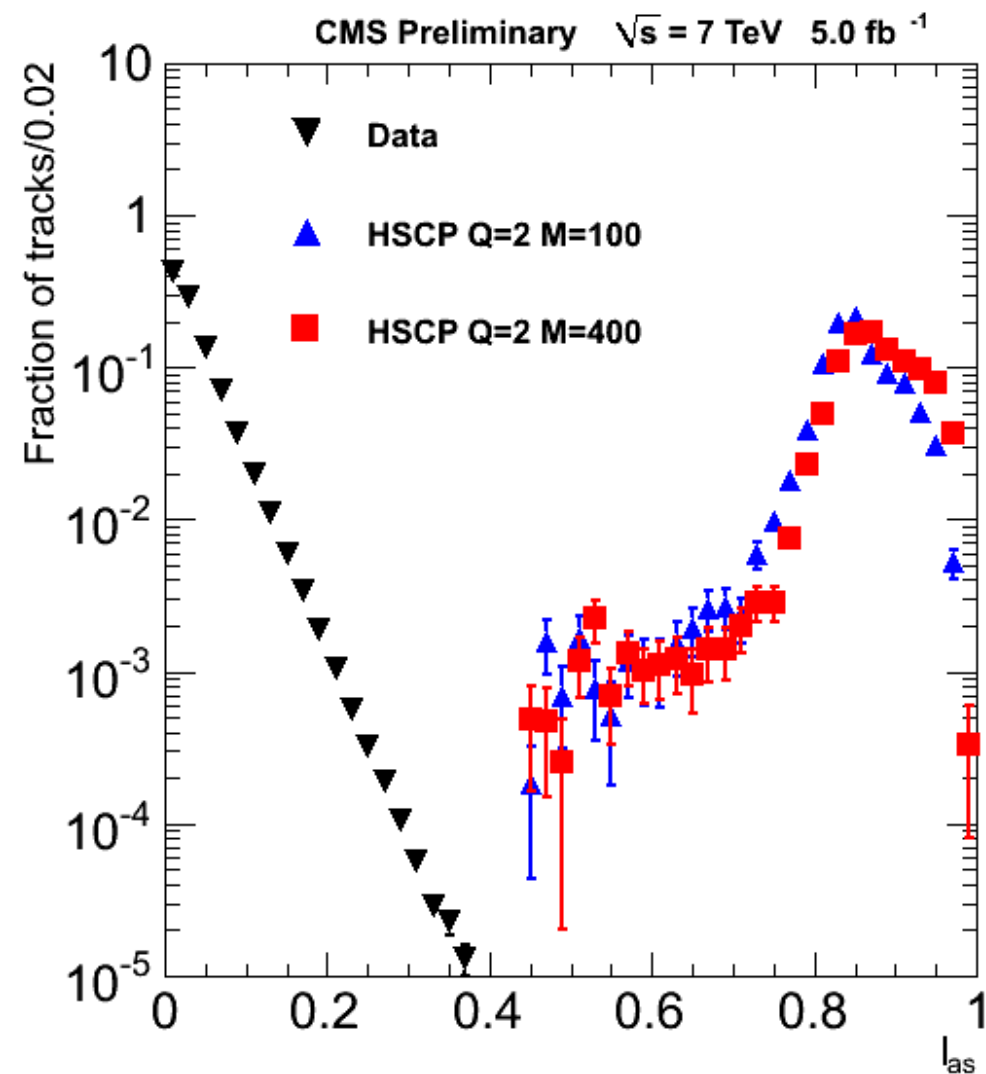
- I_{as} is a dE/dx discriminator -> Compatibility for a track with the MIP hypothesis

(MIP = Minimum Ionising Particle)

- It is computed for each track

- $I_{as} \in [0,1]$

- MIP : $I_{as} \rightarrow 0$, HSCP : $I_{as} \rightarrow 1$



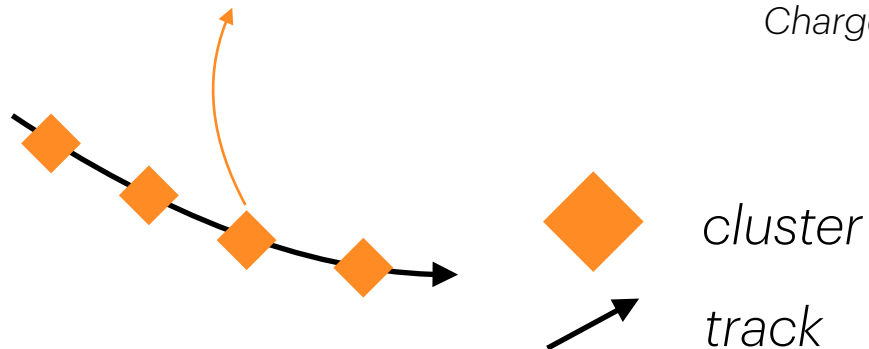
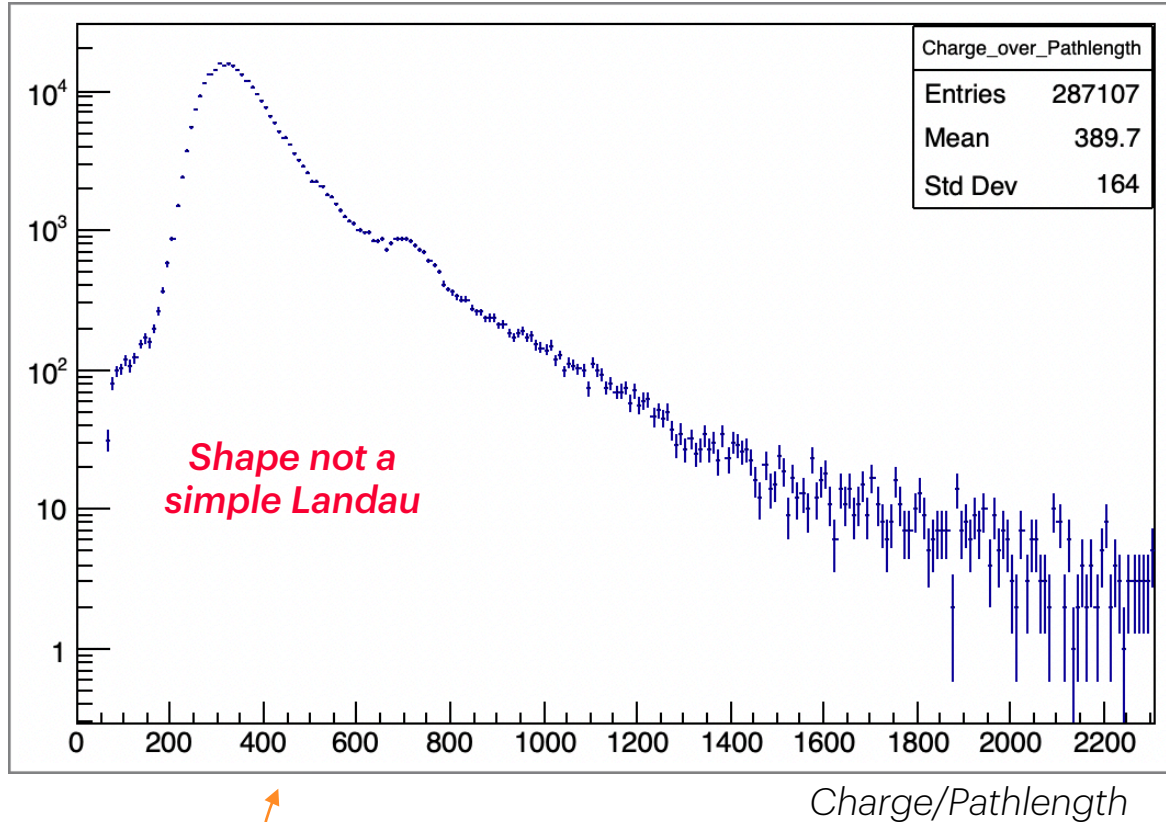
HSCP candidates as a function of $d'I_{as}$

Part III

Ionization Variables

Ionization Variables

For a pathlength = 0.4 mm, given geometry **Private work (CMS data)**

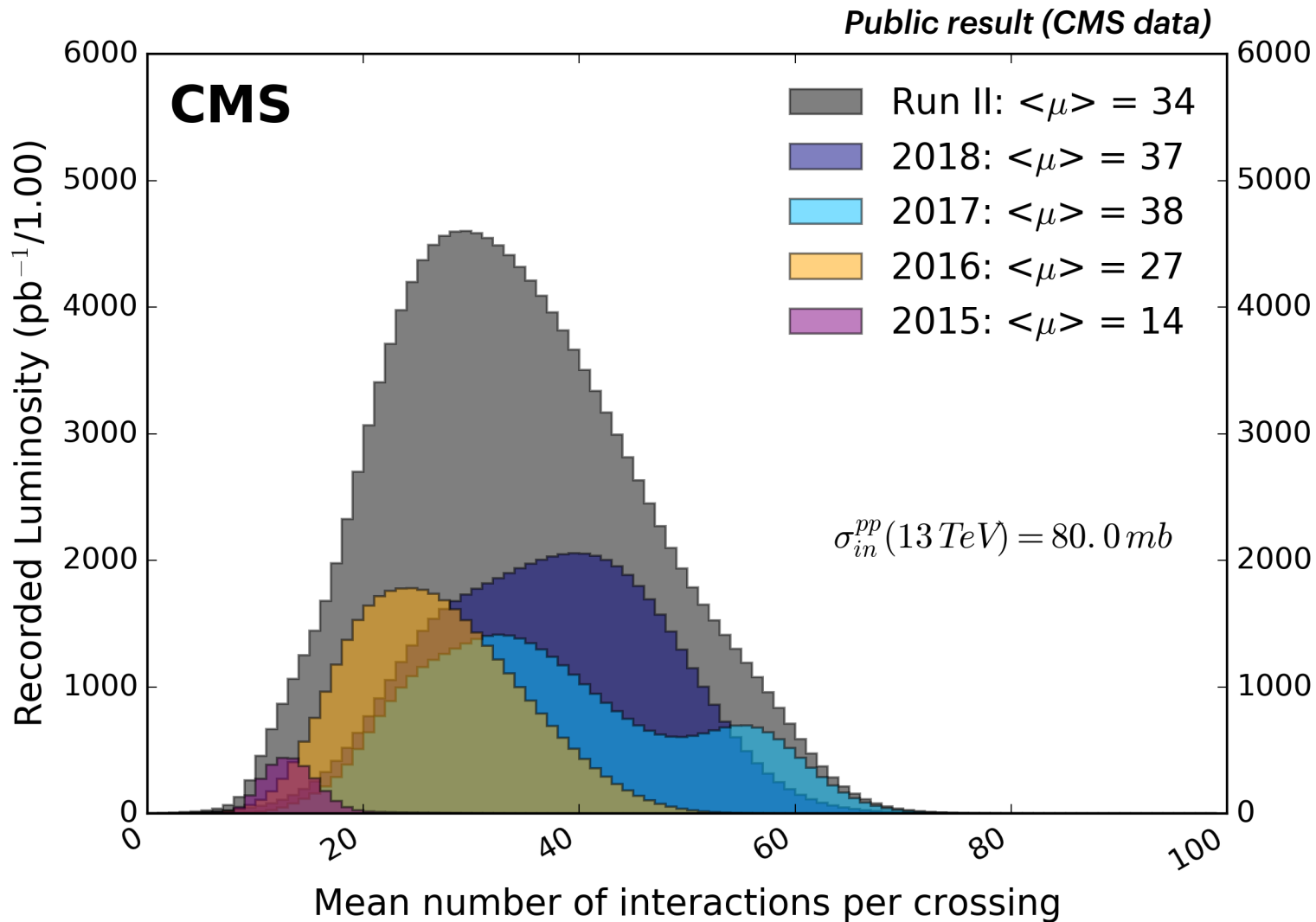


- ❑ I_{as} is based on the combined probability of energy deposit for each clusters
- ❑ Those probabilities are derived from templates (on data)
 - ▶ Depends on pathlength, module geometry etc..

-> $P(dx, \text{detector type})$

Pile-Up across eras

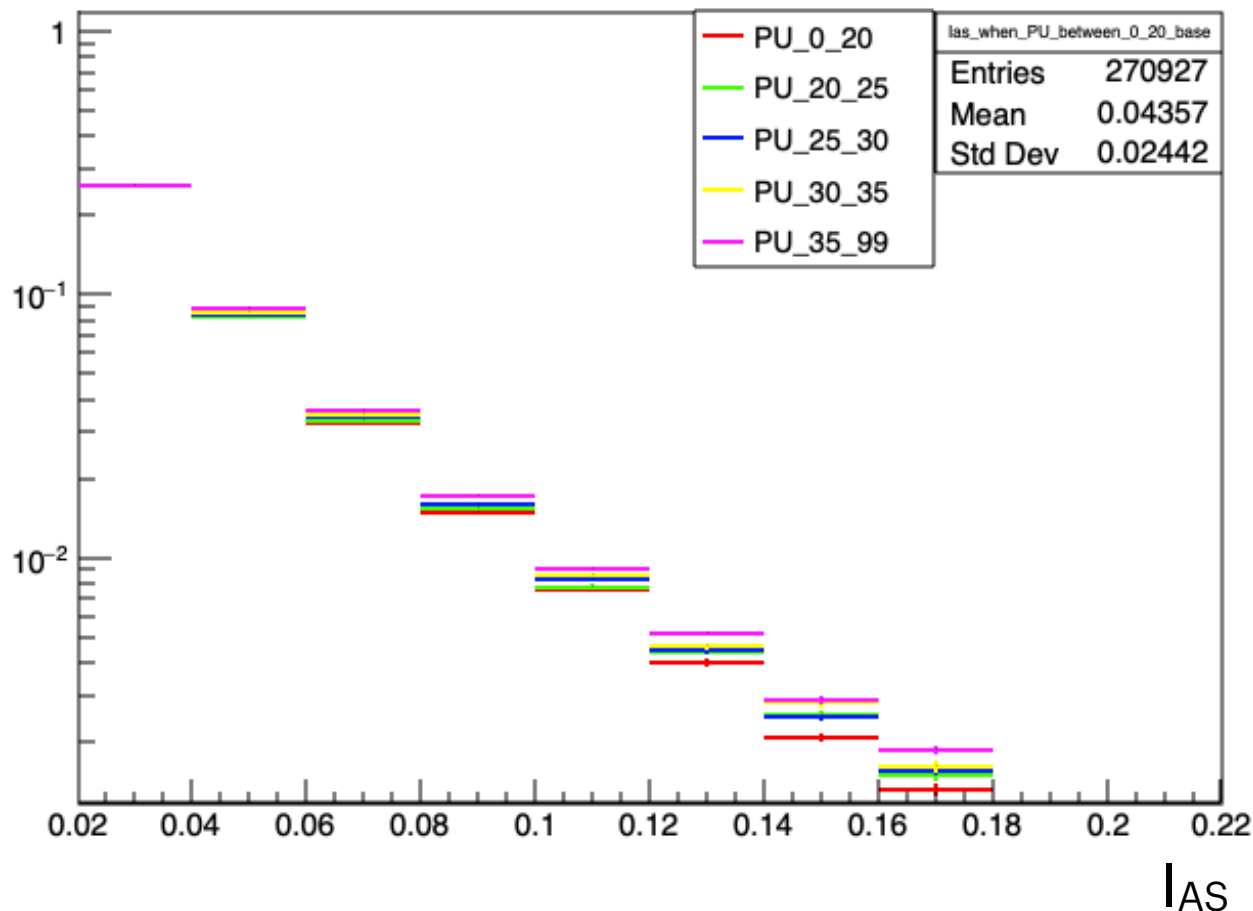
CMS Average Pileup (pp, $\sqrt{s}=13$ TeV)



- ❑ Are Ionization variables *Pile-up dependent* ?
- ❑ Pile-up impacts :
 - More fake tracks
 - Worse measurements
- ❑ Those effects can influence our ionization estimation, and thus our signal selection in the end

PU Effect on I_{AS} distributions

I_{AS} distributions for different Pile-Up Private work (CMS data)

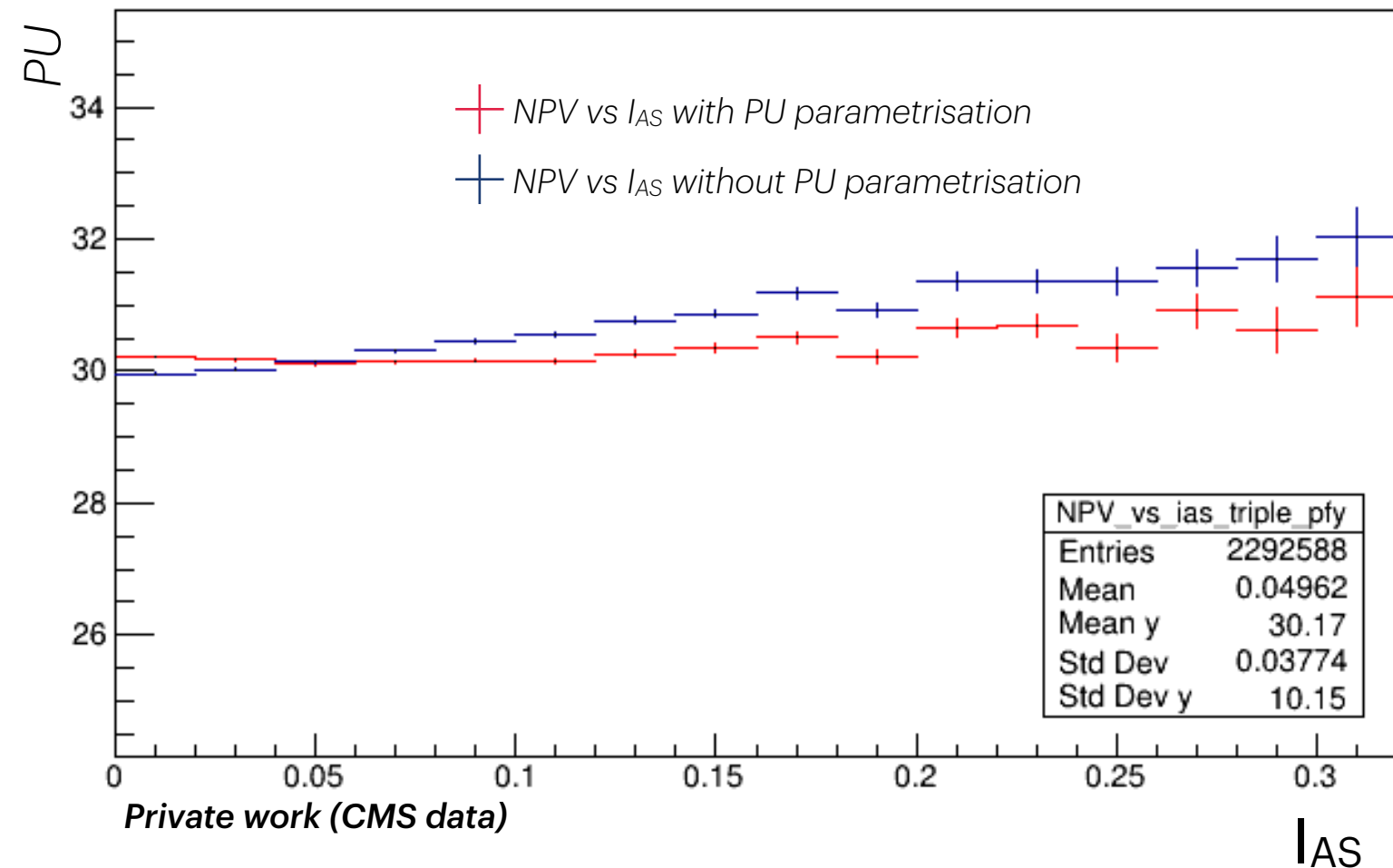


- We see a Pile-Up effect, the envelope gets wider as I_{AS} grows
- We want to mitigate that effect, and for that we will generate templates for each PU bins

$P(dx, \text{detector type}) \Rightarrow P(dx, \text{detector type}, \text{Pile-Up})$

PU Effect on I_{AS} distributions

Mean Pile-Up vs I_{AS} , **with** and **without** PU treatment



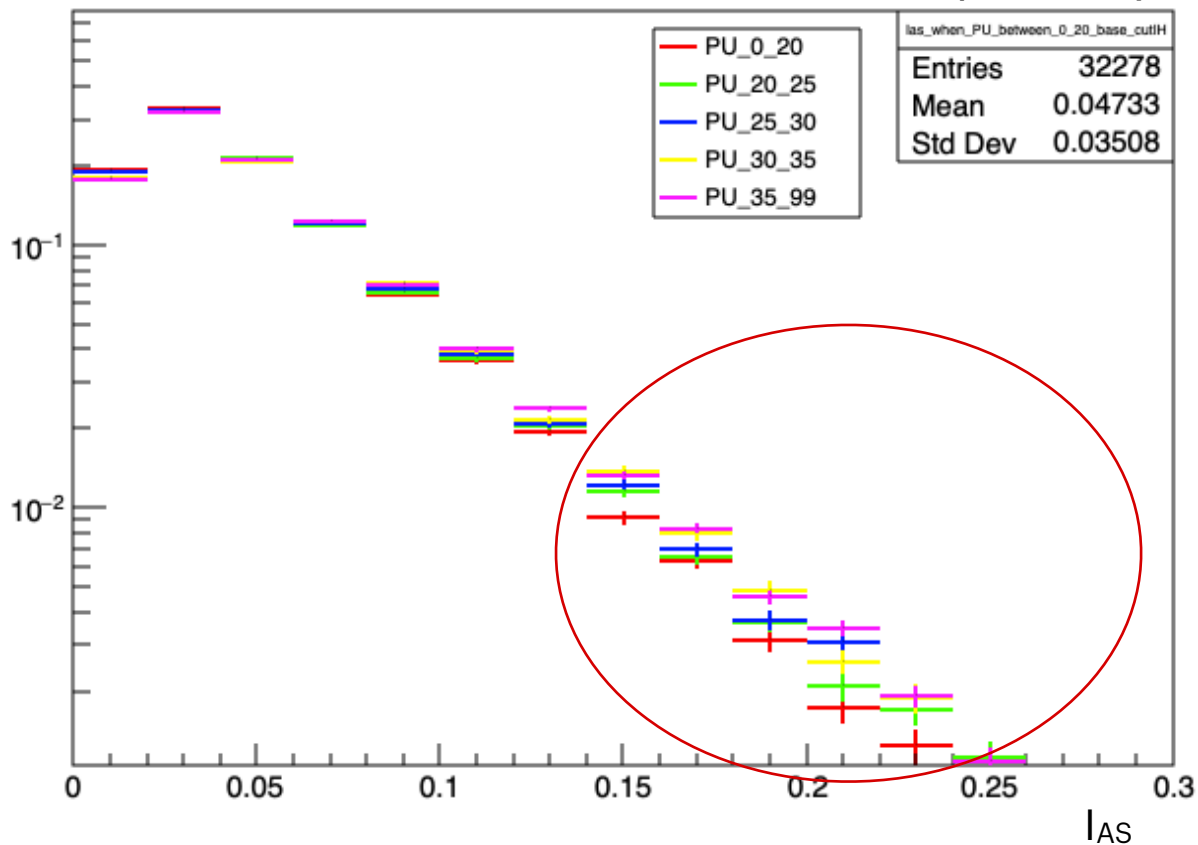
I_{AS} distribution with Pile-Up treatment

- More stability over the range [0 - 0.2] in I_{AS}
- There is ***still*** a small dependency at higher I_{AS}

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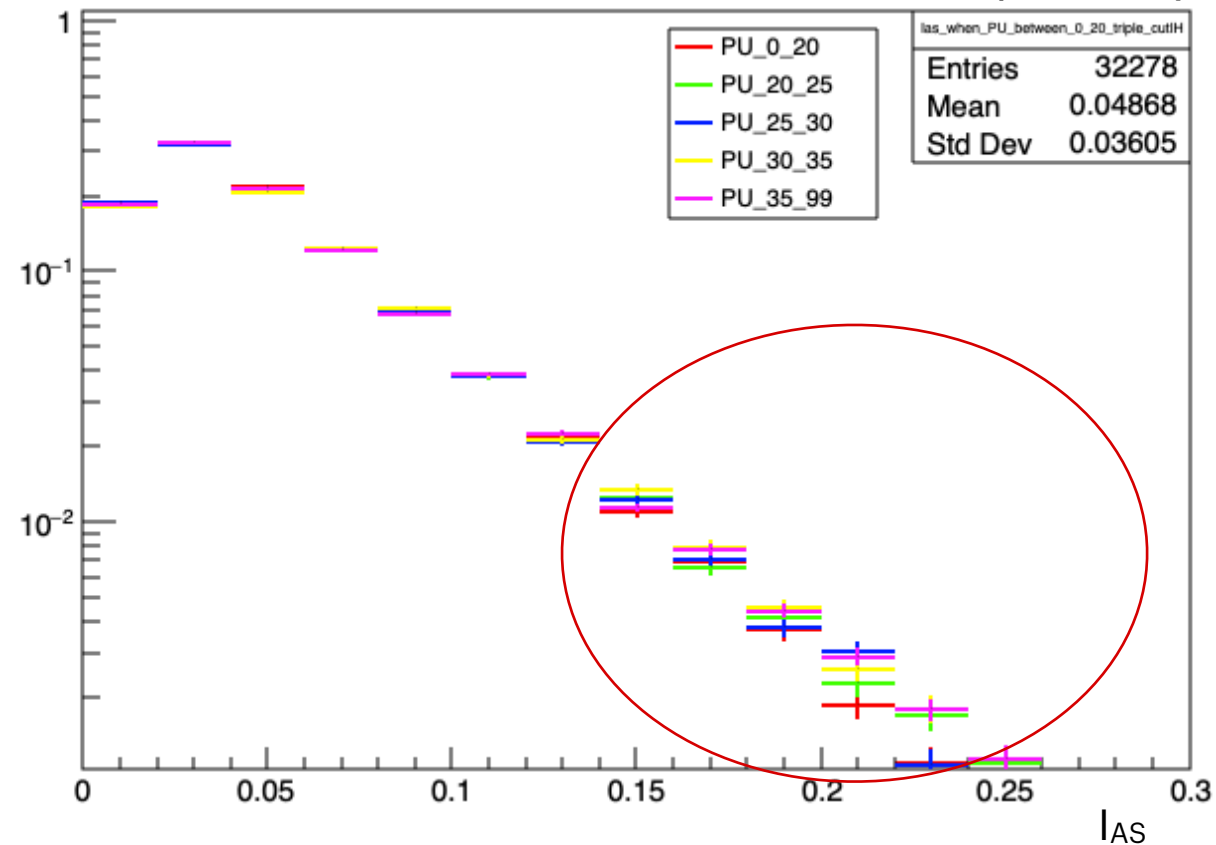
I_{AS} distributions without Pile-Up treatment

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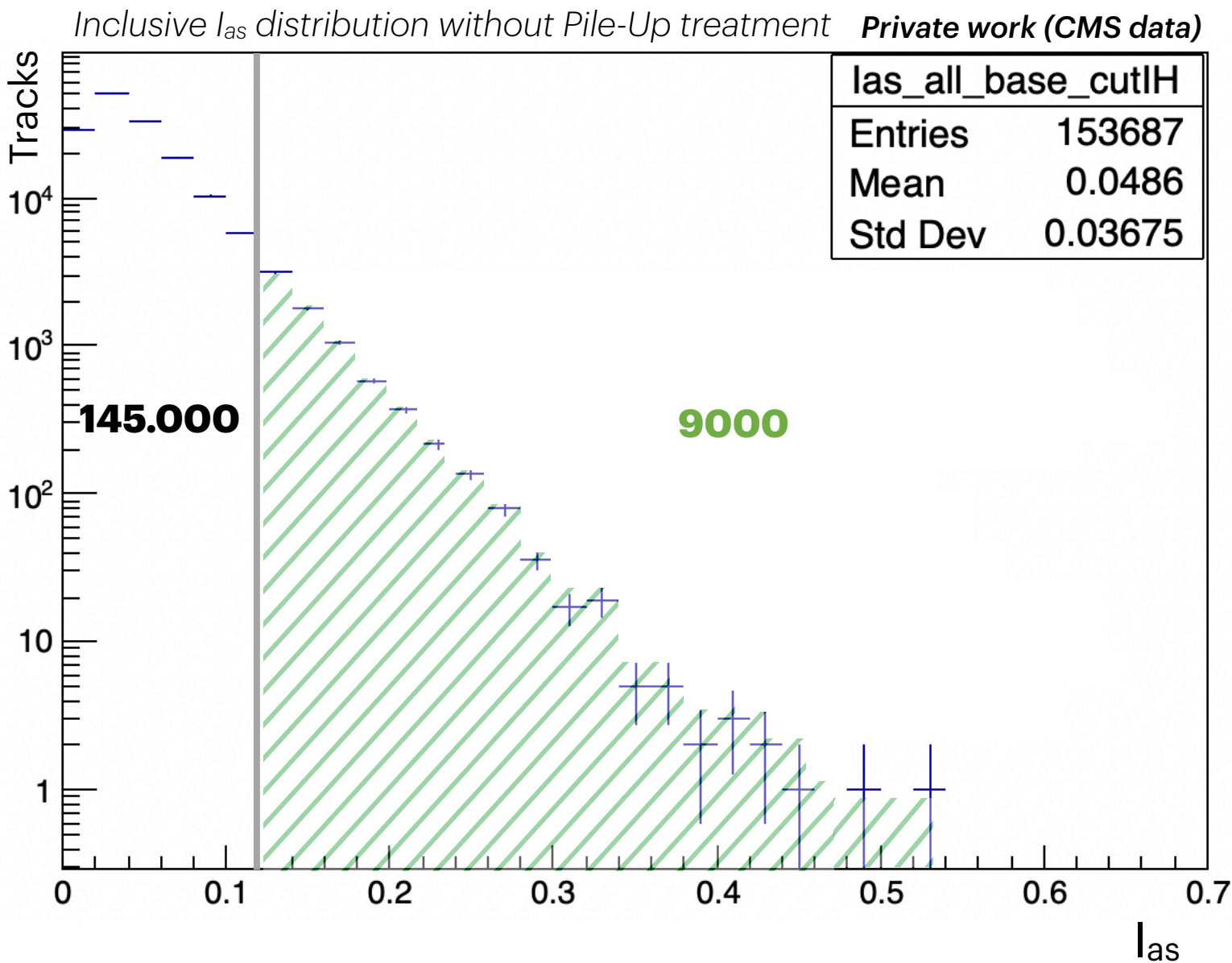
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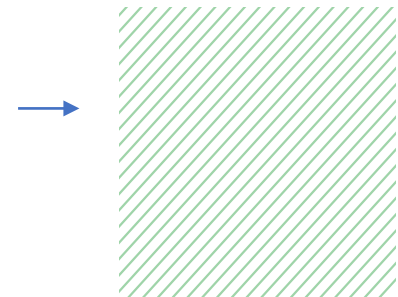
The gap between PU bins is lowered with the Pile-Up treatment, **with potential selection**

The effect is also seen in $\langle I_{AS} \rangle$, quantiles plots etc..

PU Effect on I_{AS} distributions



$$R_Q = \frac{\int_Q^1 f(I_{AS})}{\int_0^1 f(I_{AS})}$$



Whole distribution

Probe the tail of the distribution
(where we are most sensitive)

Ratio R_Q of integrals

PU bins	No PU treatment	PU treatment
0-20	7.9%	8.7%
35-99	9.9%	9.2%

Stability increased !

Conclusion

● *Triggers* :

- Trigger efficiencies are below **35%**, and efficiency decreases as mass gets higher
 - This study allowed to go from 35 to **45%** efficiency by combining multiple triggers
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● *Ionization variables* :

- Distributions of I_{AS} are **impacted by the PU**, especially in the **tails of the distributions** (*where we are most sensitive*) : we saw non negligible differences here
 - **Sensitivity is improved by PU dependent templates !**



- Proposal : **Take this dependency into account and use the Pile-Up treatment**

Perspectives

- There has been only one paper on 2015 data (beginning of run 2), and our analysis will study **the whole run 2 data**
- There is ongoing work on the background estimation method, the optimisation of the variables, the selection cuts and more..

-> The goal is to publish the paper soon

- This work will be important because **ATLAS has recently published an excess** (local significance $> 3.6 \sigma$) on long-lived particles, and we are the only analysis that has the tools to confirm/deny this excess
<https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.06013>



Thank you all !

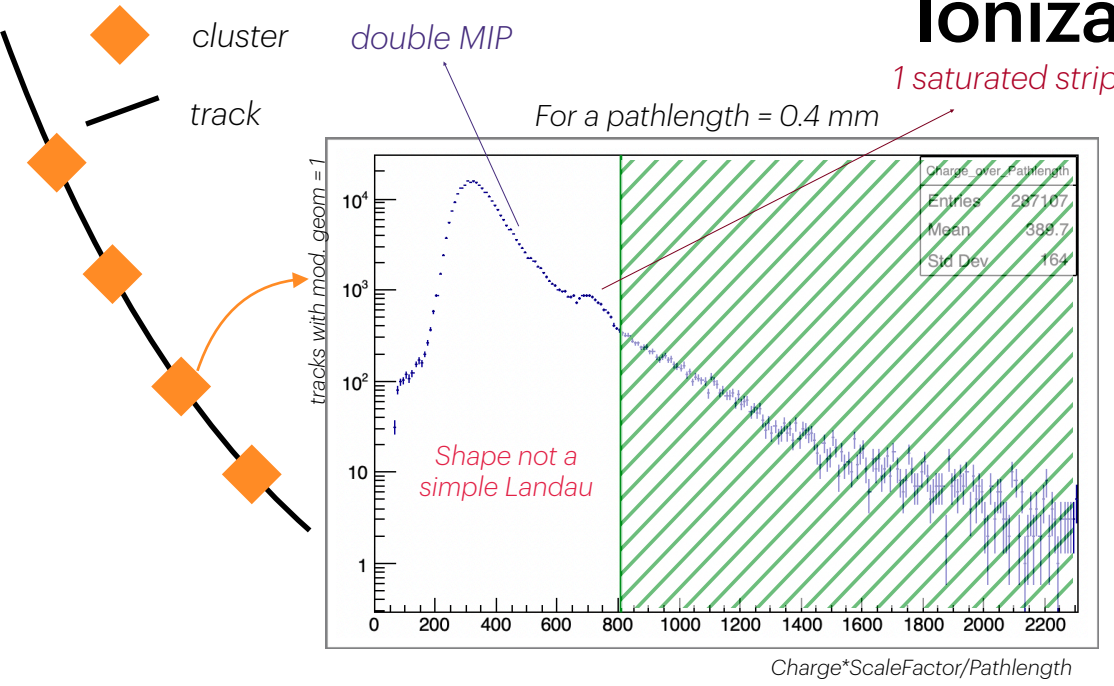
***Enjoy your evening**



** Don't drink too much*

Ionization Variables

Depend de la taille des piste a MEME pathlength



Dependencies

- Pathlength
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Charge/pathlength width distributions depends on pathlength

- Module

Different module geometry
(signal is different if you hit single or multiple strips because of thresholds, noise etc..)

- Pile-up

Sensitivity to Pile-Up reduced with the following study

- Era

Ongoing study (coherence production/reading templates)

- Selection

From this we can calculate the probability for a cluster to have a high energy deposit (I.E not a MIP)
By combining each cluster's probability, one can create two Smirnov discriminators as following :

- The *Smirnov discriminator* is given by:

$$I_s^d = \frac{3}{N} \times \left(\frac{1}{12N} + \sum_{h=1}^N \left[P_h - \frac{2h-1}{2N} \right]^2 \right)$$

- The *Asymmetric Smirnov discriminator* is given by:

$$I_{as}^d = \frac{3}{N} \times \left(\frac{1}{12N} + \sum_{h=1}^N \left[P_h \times \left(P_h - \frac{2h-1}{2N} \right)^2 \right] \right)$$

BACKUP 1

Standard Model

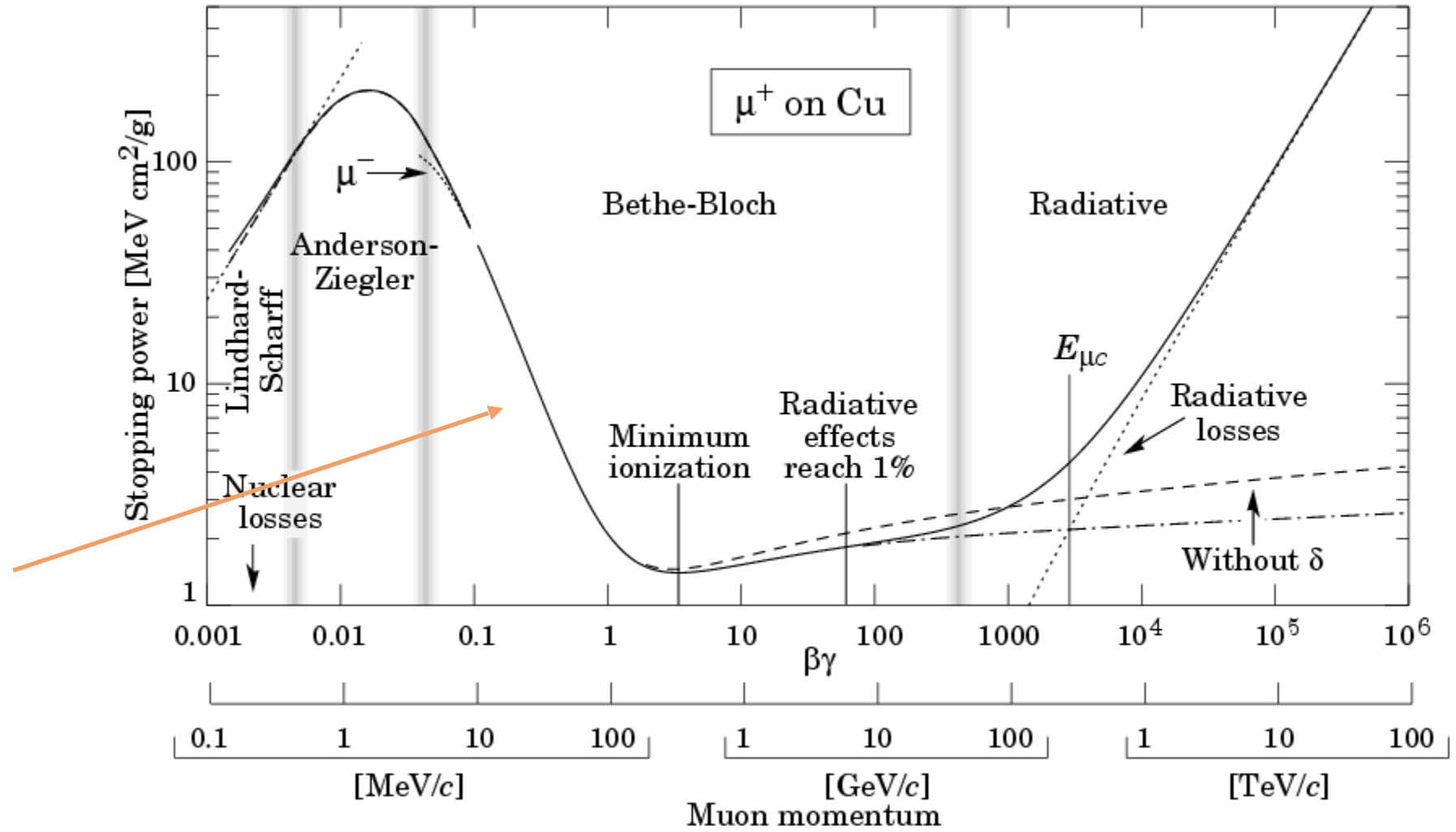
masse →	$\approx 2.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 1.275 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$\approx 173.07 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	$\approx 126 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
charge →	2/3	2/3	2/3	0	0
spin →	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	0
	u up	c charm	t top	g gluon	H boson de Higgs
QUARKS	$\approx 4.8 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 95 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 4.18 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	
	-1/3	-1/3	-1/3	0	
	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	
	d down	s strange	b bottom	γ photon	
	$0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$105.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$1.777 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$91.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	
	-1	-1	-1	0	
	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	
	e électron	μ muon	τ tau	Z^0 boson Z^0	
LEPTONS	$< 2.2 \text{ eV}/c^2$	$< 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$< 15.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$80.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	
	0	0	0	± 1	
	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	
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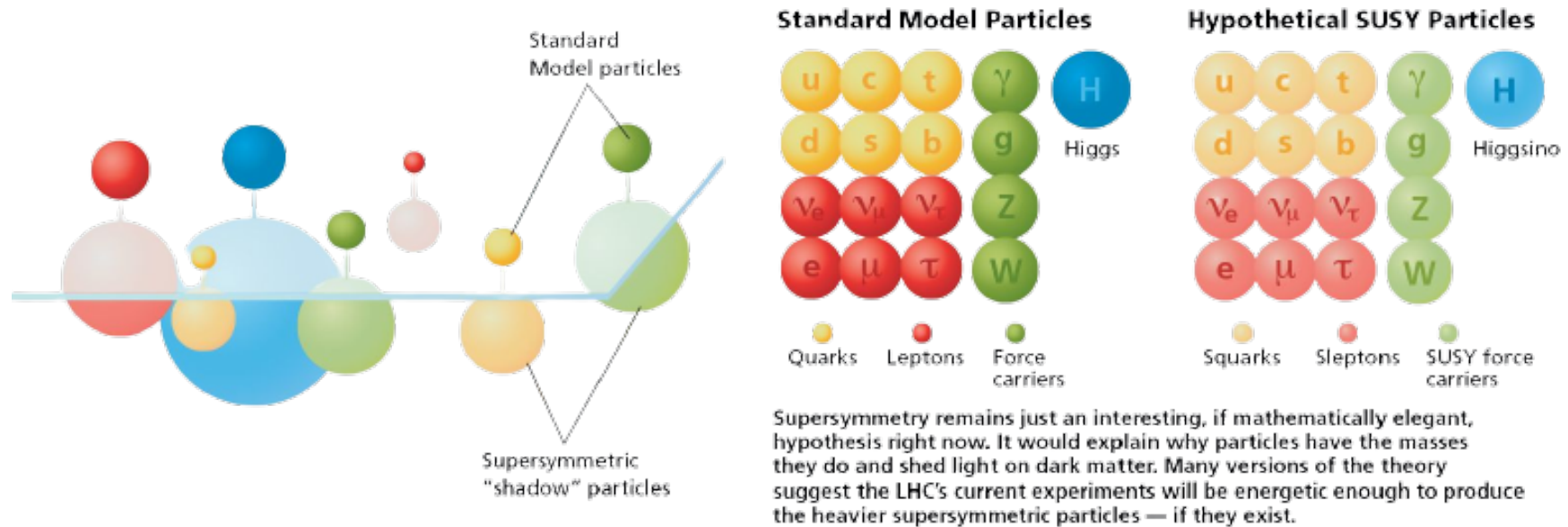
- 4 fundamental forces
- QFT to describe interactions
- 12 fermions + anti-particles

BACKUP 2

Bethe-Bloch

Low $\beta\gamma$ regime gives highest dE/dx





Extending the standard model by adding a spin symmetry

- Higgs mass divergences can be corrected
- Candidate for dark matter : LSP (Lightest Supersymmetric Particle) stable : neutrino
- Unification of interactions above the scale 10^{16} GeV

BACKUP 4

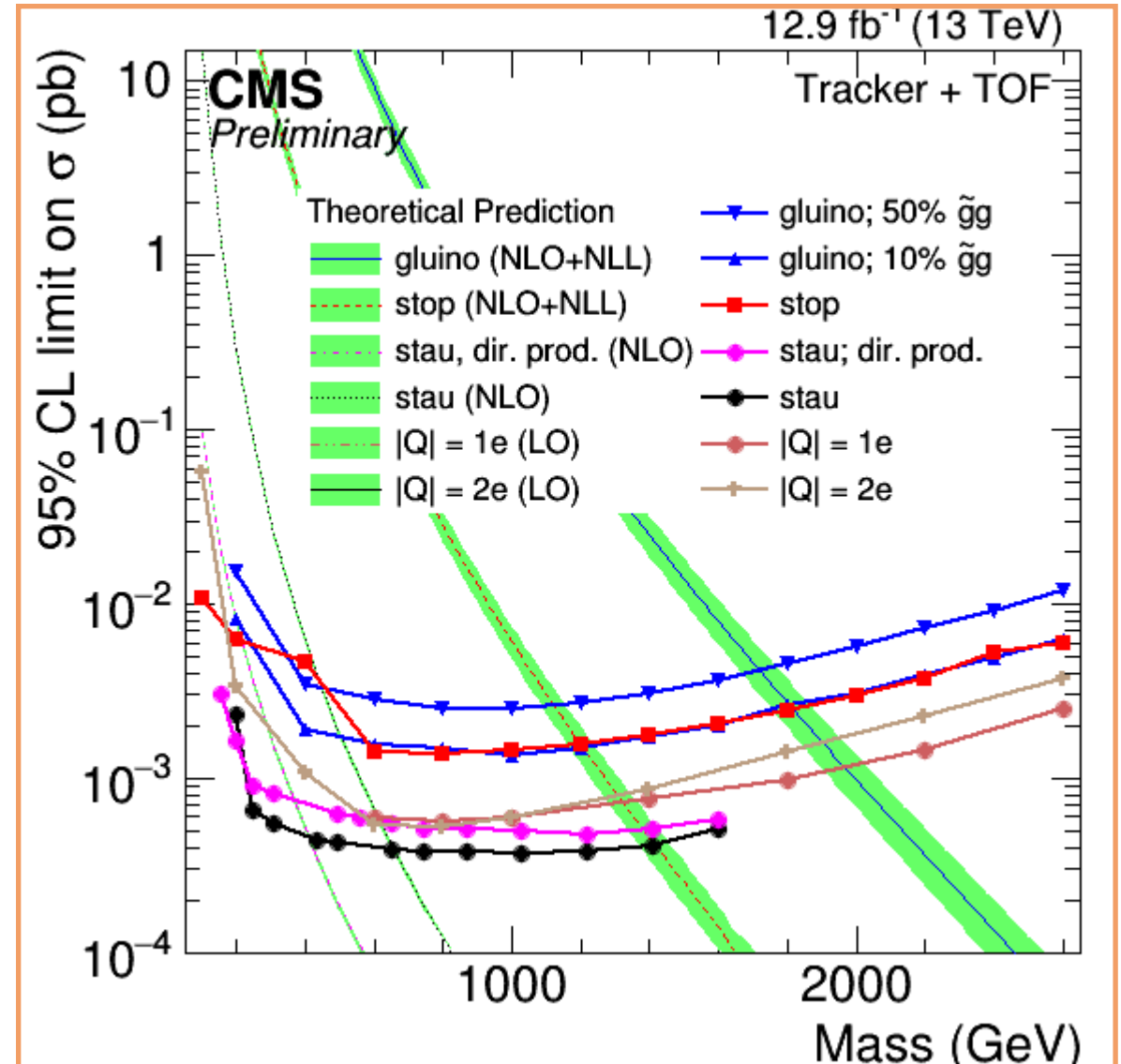
Limites HSCP

Glunos life-time can reach 100 seconds

SPLIT \rightarrow very heavy squarks :

- A gluino can decay into quark + squark, but this decay mode is suppressed (due to the high masses)

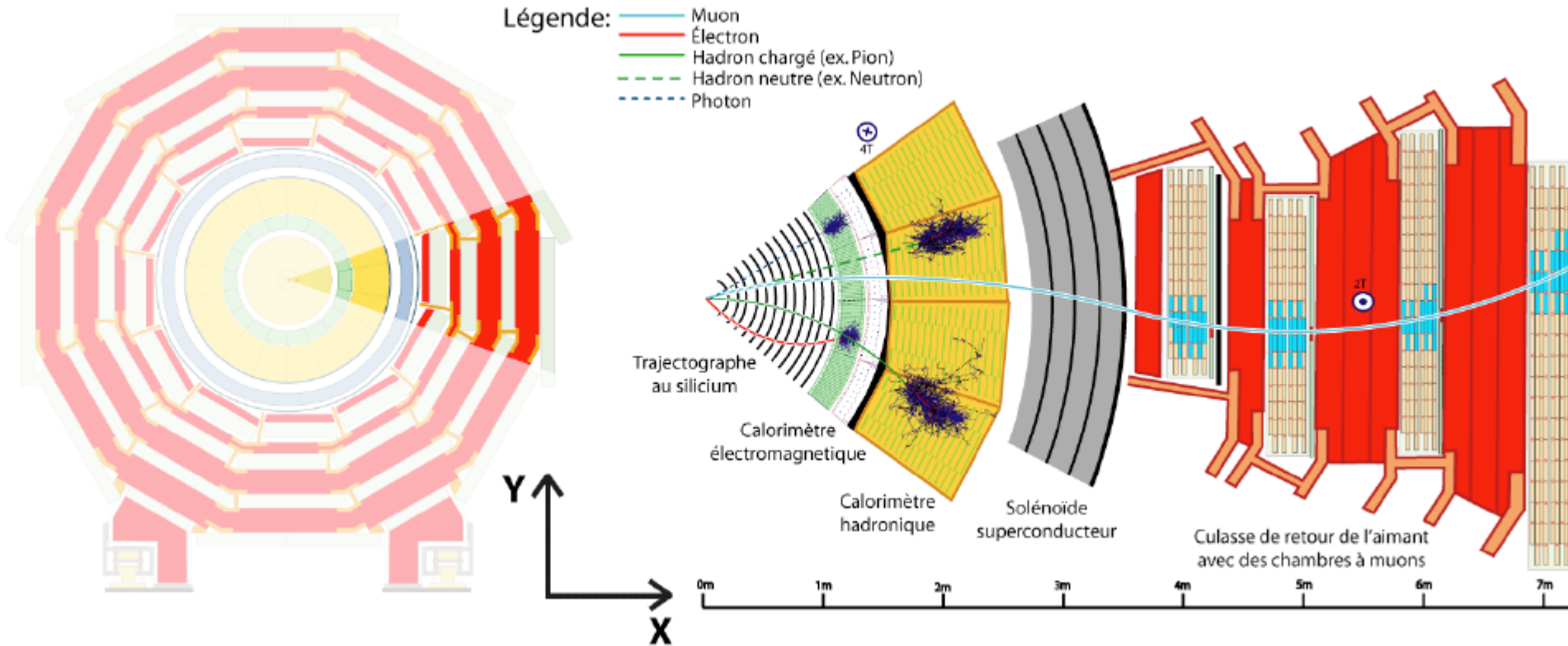
Predictions on gluinos masses for different models



BACKUP 5

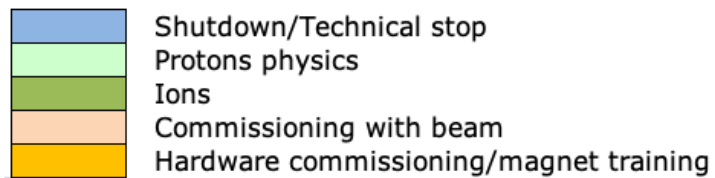
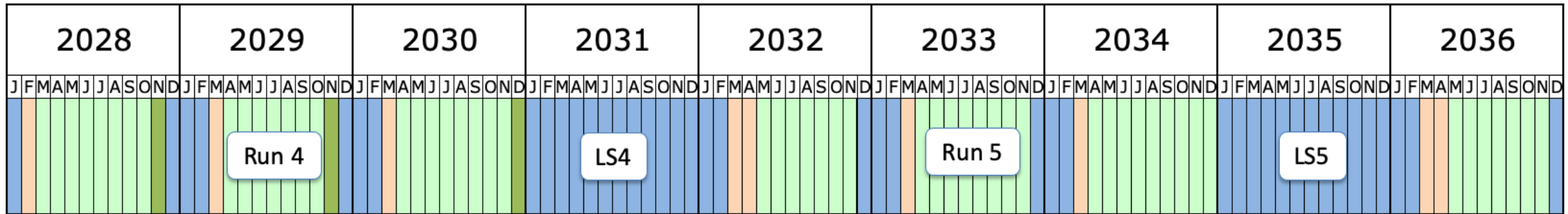
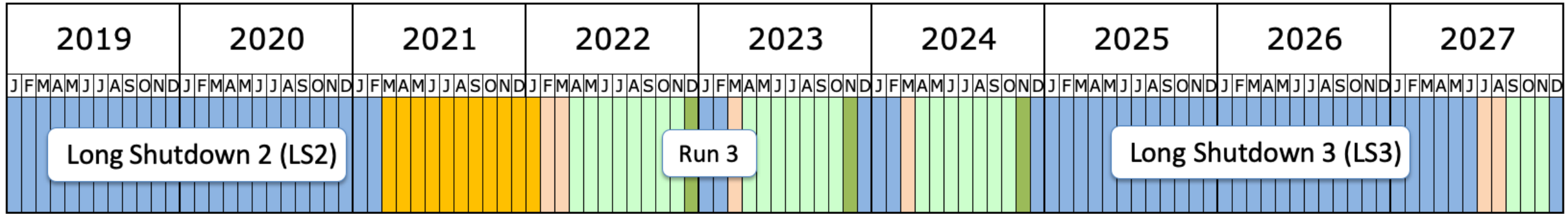
CMS Detector

- 21m x 15m
- 14 000 tons
- Magnetic field up to 4 T



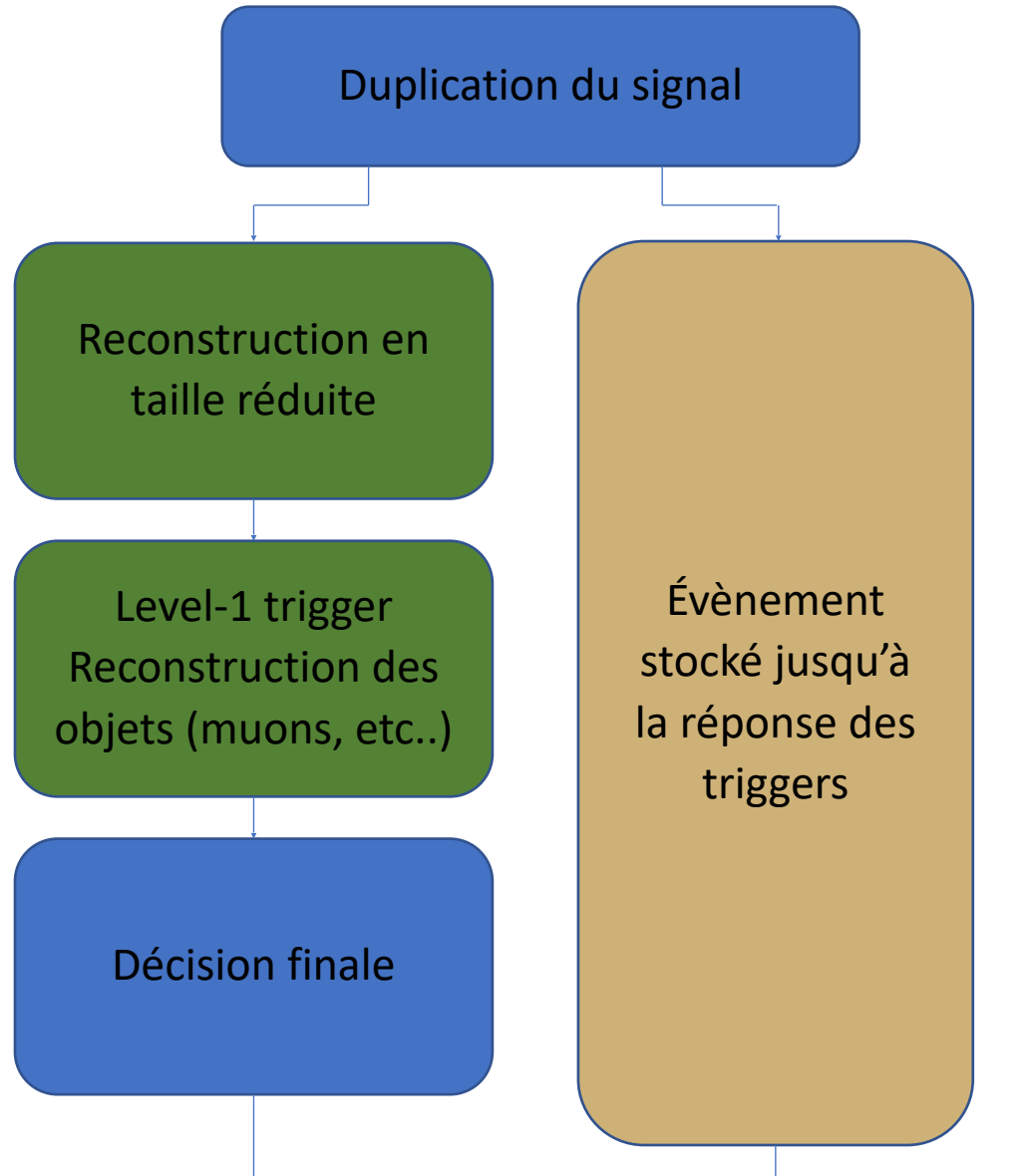
BACKUP 6

LHC Timetable



BACKUP 7

CMS Level-1 trigger



Duplication du signal à l'entrée

Des buffers stockent l'évènement en attendant la réponse des triggers

Reconstruction réduite

Niveau 1 reconstruit les objets physiques

Décision finale s'il faut garder l'évènement ou pas

Enregistrement sur les disques pour le niveau 2

BACKUP 9 New I_{AS} templates as a function of PU

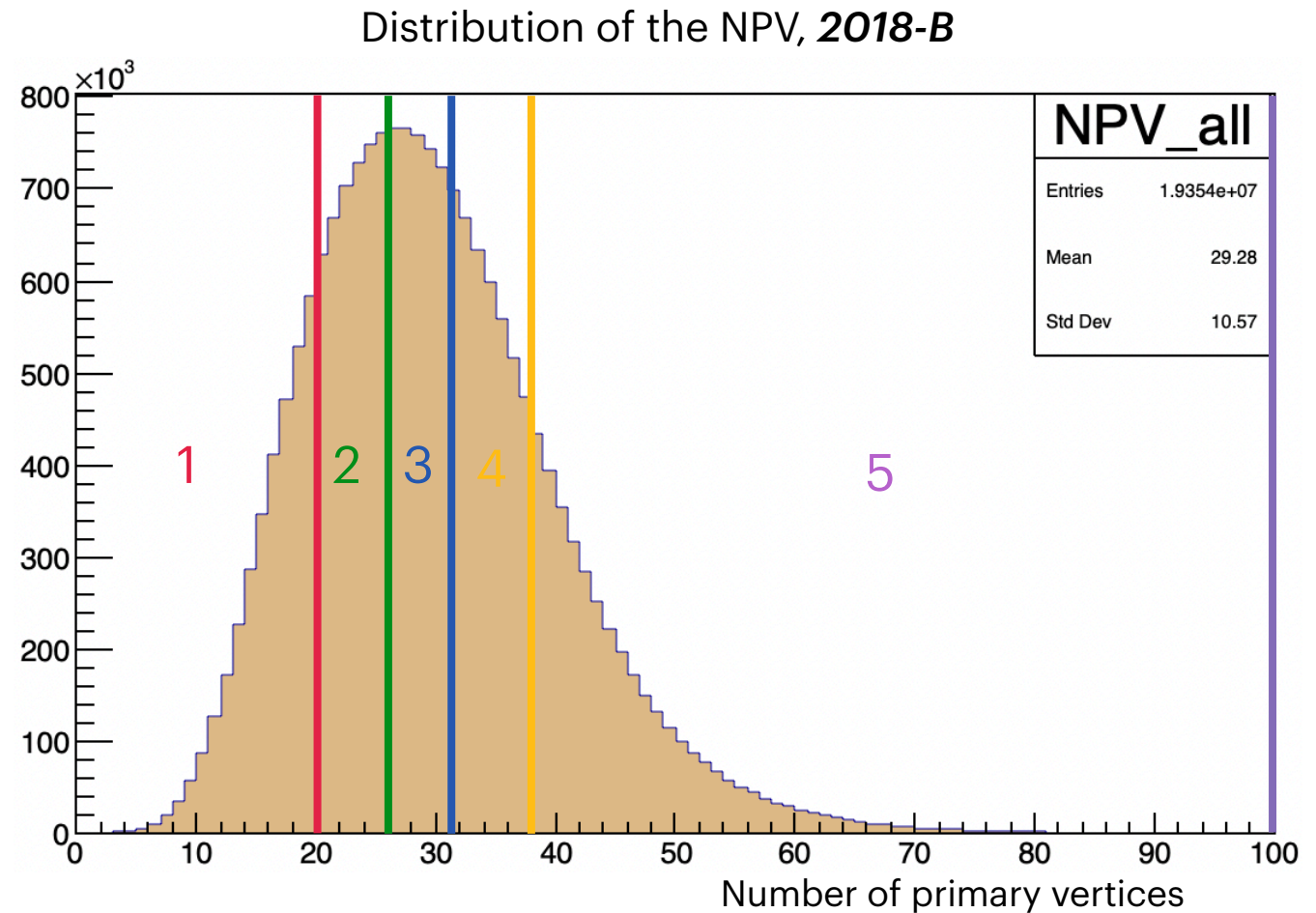
Sample : SingleMuon 2018A

- We will treat the number of primary vertices (NPV) as an estimation of Pile-Up

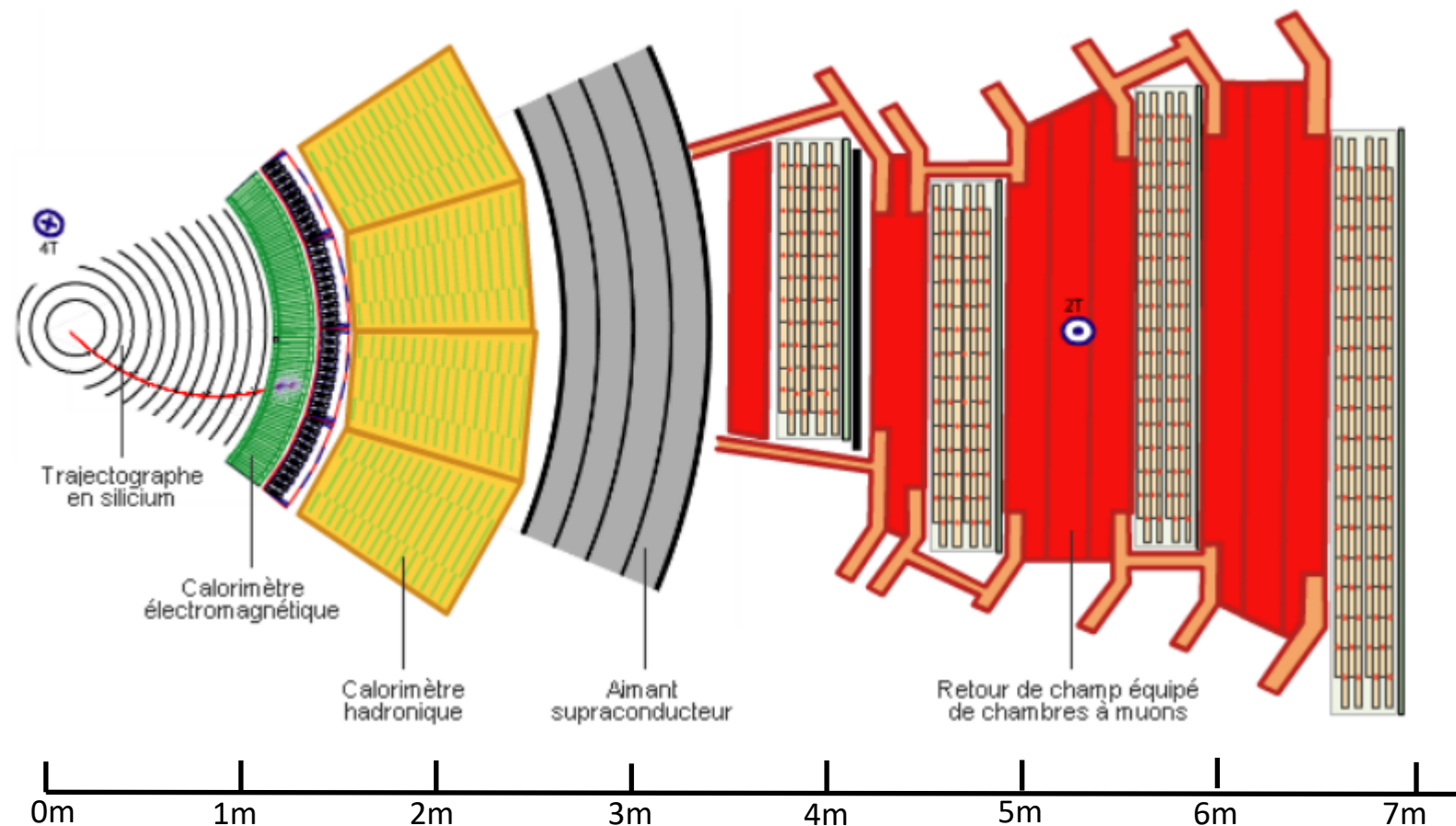
Splitting into categories

- Distribution of PV per event
- Estimation of same statistics PU bins :

- ▶ 1 : PU \subset [0,20]
- ▶ 2 : PU \subset [20,25]
- ▶ 3 : PU \subset [25,30]
- ▶ 4 : PU \subset [30,35]
- ▶ 5 : PU \subset [35,99]



Delay of particles



$\beta \approx 1$



$\beta \approx 0.5$



Triggers and Filters


I mentioned a 2-Level trigger system, let's focus on the *High Level Triggers (HLT)*

- Each HLT path is made of a sequence of *filters* / *producers* :
 - A producer will do the calculations needed to determine a variable (impulsion in the transverse plane for example)
 - A filter will simply cut on that variable

An simplified example of sequences/filters for an HLT_Mu50 path

 *hltL1sSingleMu22or25*

*Cuts on info from
Level-1 trigger*

 *hltL1fL1sMu22or25L1Filtered0* *HLT2muonrecoSequence* *hltL2fL1sMu22or25L1fOL2Filtered10Q*

Generation of IAS templates for each category

- At first, we thought that the templates sensitivity to Pile-Up was negligible :
wrong, effect is ~ 10%
- Idea to generate templates (IAS) for multiple Pile-Up bins, with ~ same statistics (studied)
- Tests were performed for a range of PU bins (3, 5, 8, 10) with equal statistics :
smaller bins = less statistics (impact studied)
- **Results for 5 PU bins will be presented here**

5 different templates

Charge vs Pathlength vs ModuleGeom

- ▶ PU \in [0,20]
- ▶ PU \in [20,25]
- ▶ PU \in [25,30]
- ▶ PU \in [30-35]
- ▶ PU \in [64,80]

Run with
templates



Track quality
selection applied

Reading the templates

For a given PU
-> Read the proper template to extract the value of IAs