

finding kinks in the TPC

a first report

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many BSM models have signatures such as



if decay occurs in TPC, can it be identified?

probably depends on size of kink,
and therefore on $\Delta m = m_a - m_b$

simulated in MSSM

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \chi_2^+ \chi_2^-$$

$$\chi_2^{+/-} \rightarrow \chi_1^{+/-} + \text{invisible} [Z \rightarrow \nu \nu]$$

$$E_{\text{CM}} = 250 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_{\chi_2} = 110 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_{\chi_1} = 109.8 / 109.0 / 105.0 / 100.0 \text{ GeV}$$

χ_2^+ lifetime adjusted to often decay in TPC

whizard (no ISR or beamstrahlung)

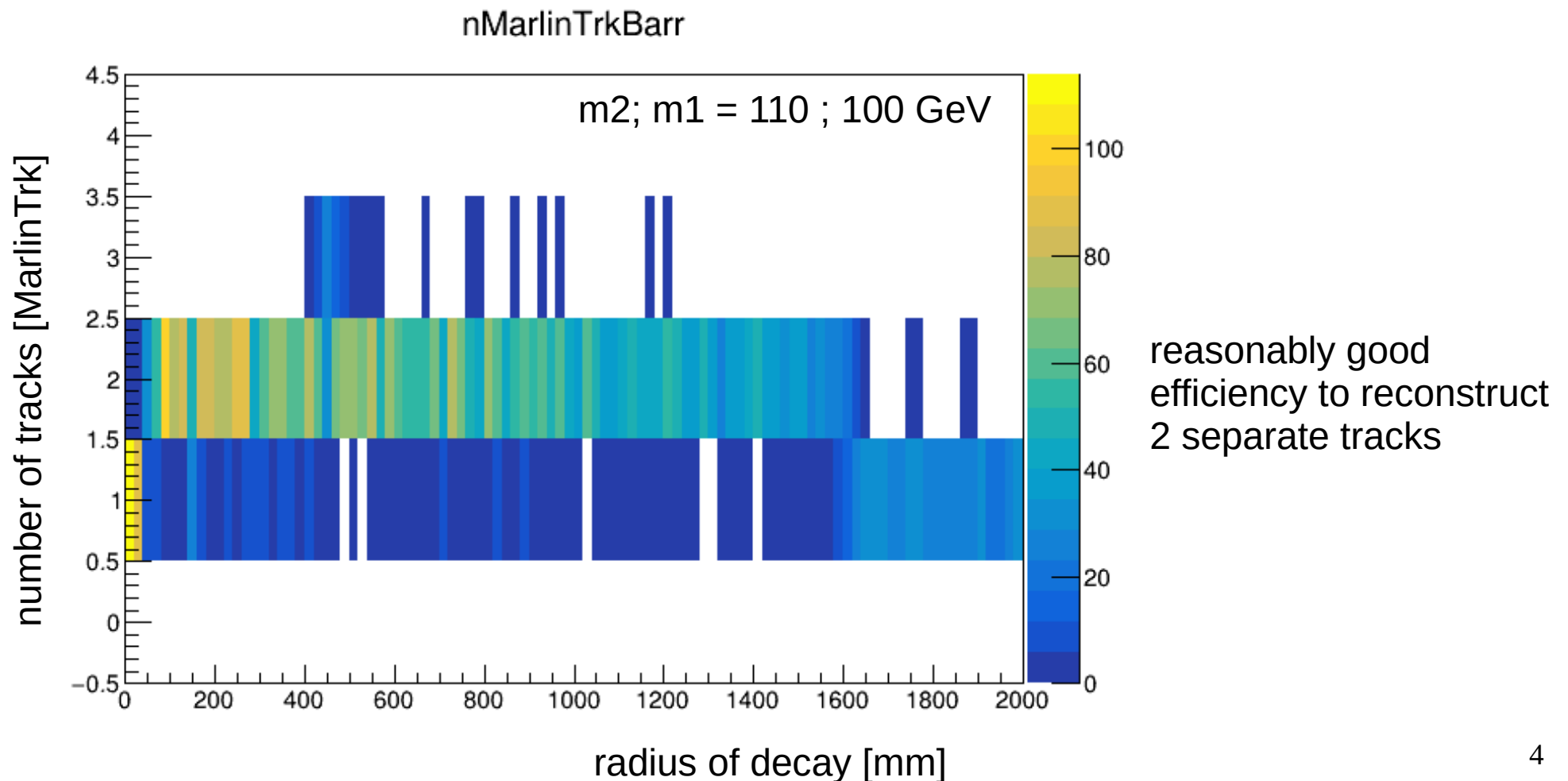
ilcsoft v02-02

detector simulation (ILC_I5_v02)

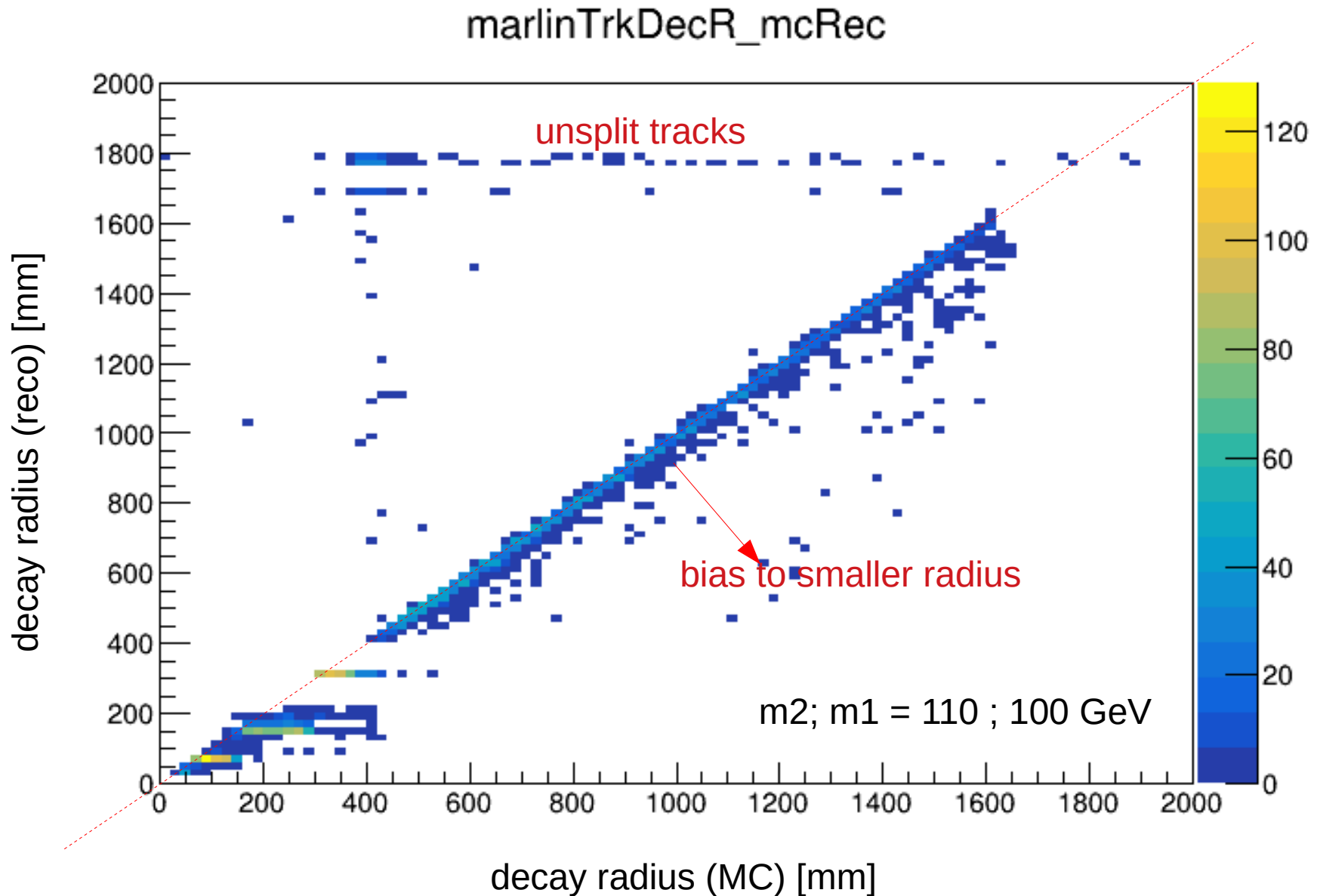
Marlin reconstruction (detector o1, no overlay)

how does standard reco do ?

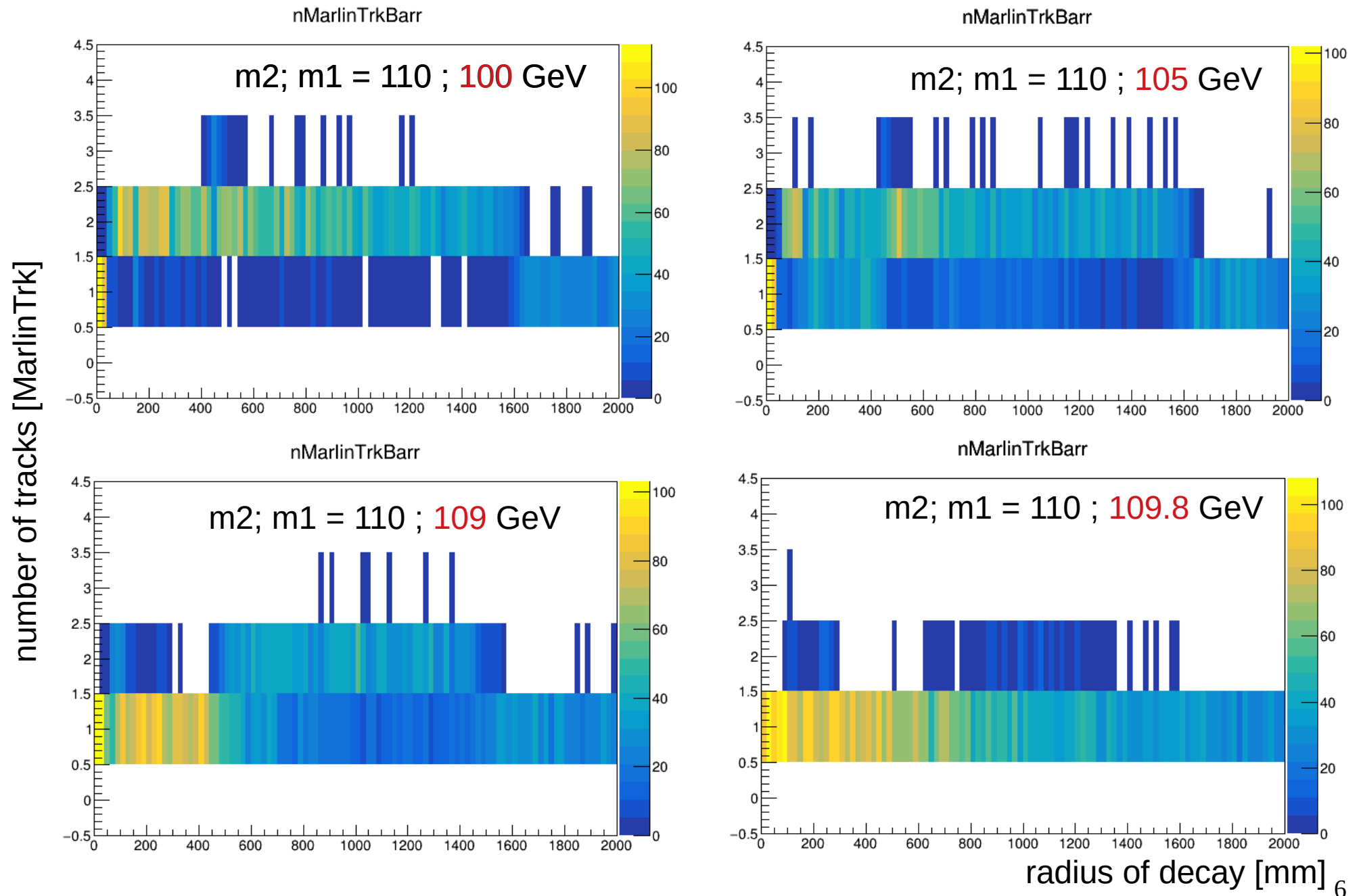
count number of reconstructed tracks (MarlinTrk collection)
matched to the $(\chi_2 \chi_1)$ pair



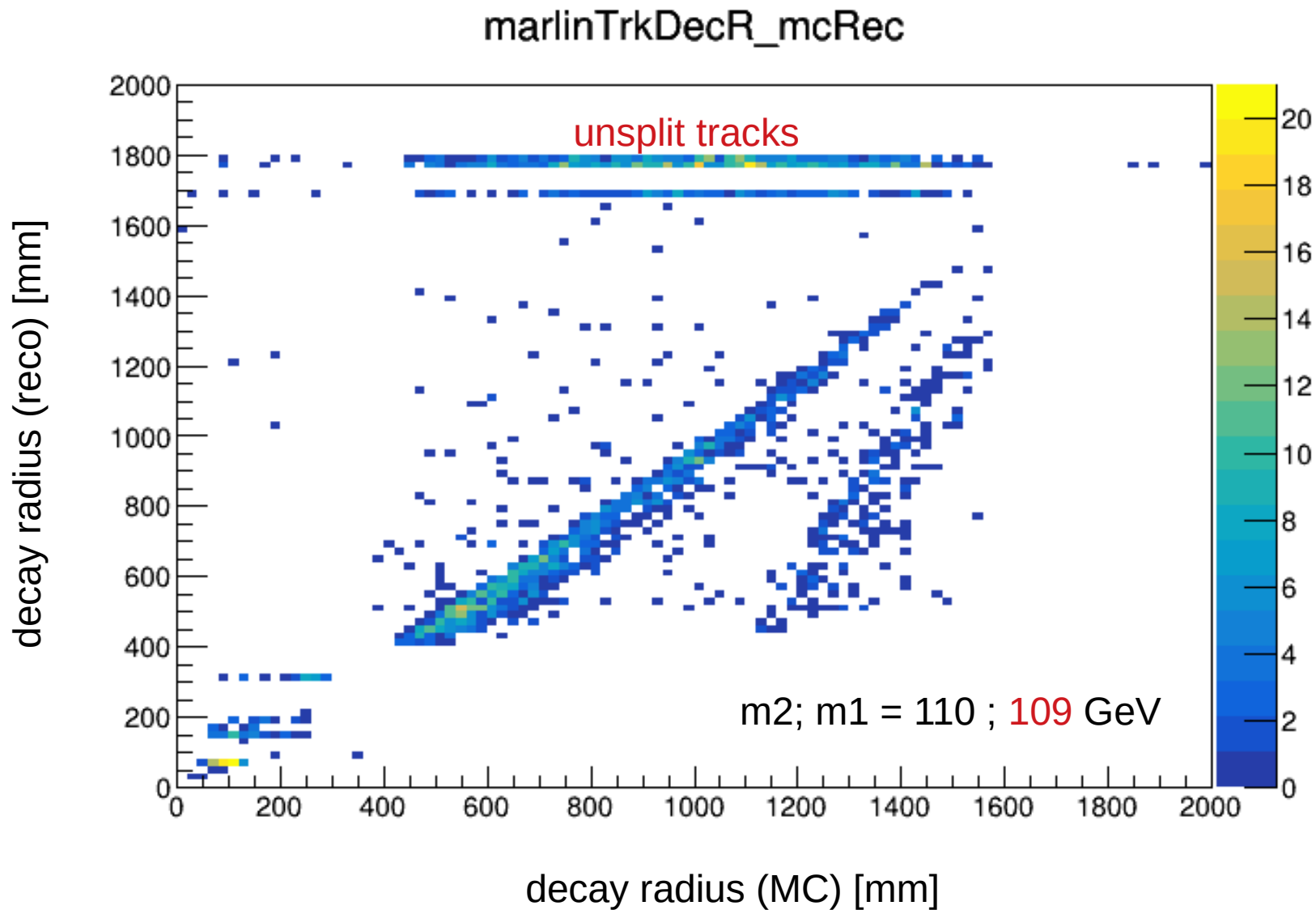
position of the break between tracks (standard MarlinTrk reco)



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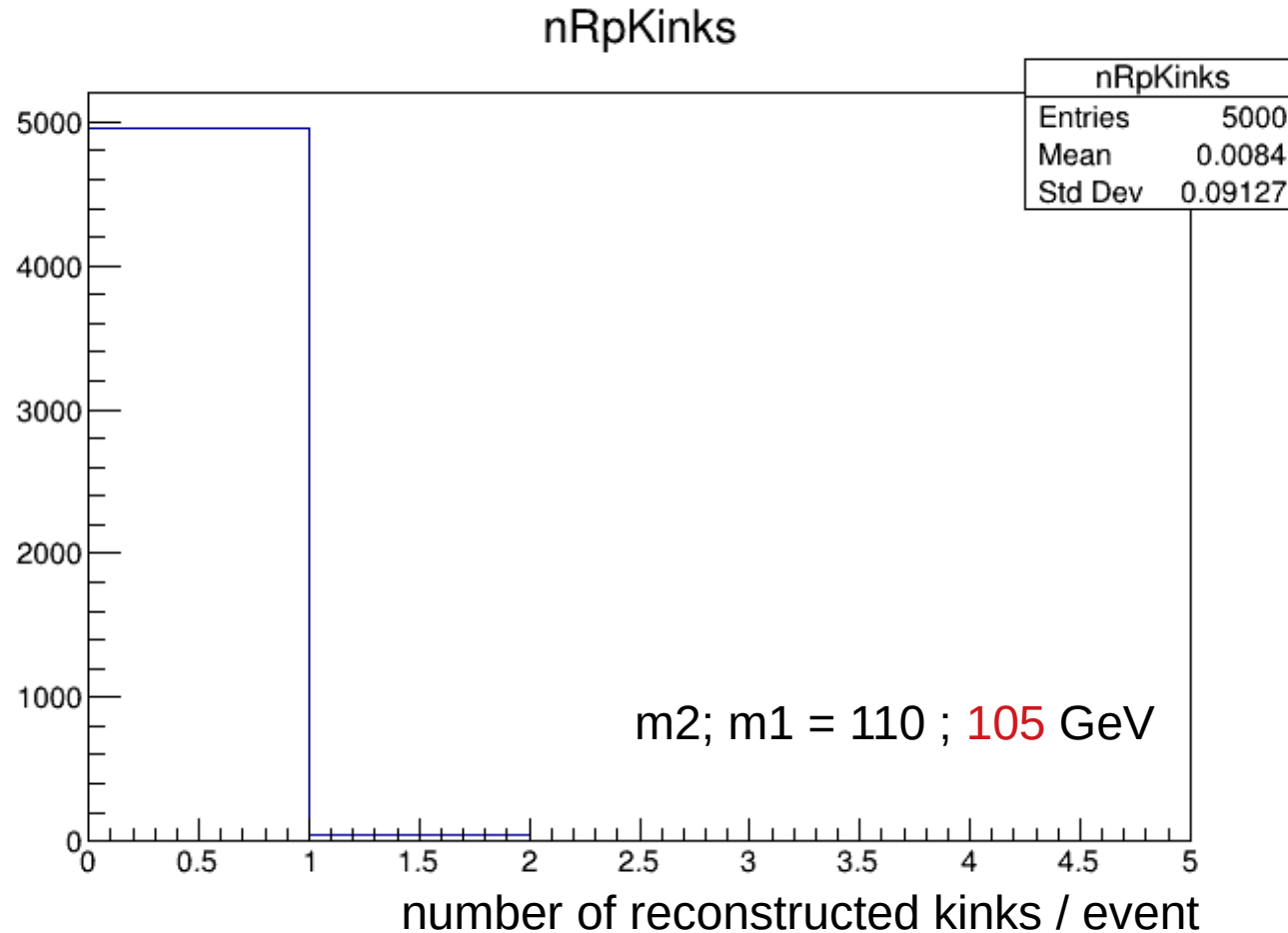
less efficient at smaller mass differences



less precise at smaller mass differences ⁷

we do run a kink-finder in production

it doesn't identify many:



I haven't spent much effort trying to work out why...

try an alternative approach, dedicated to kink finding

hit finding: for now use MC links

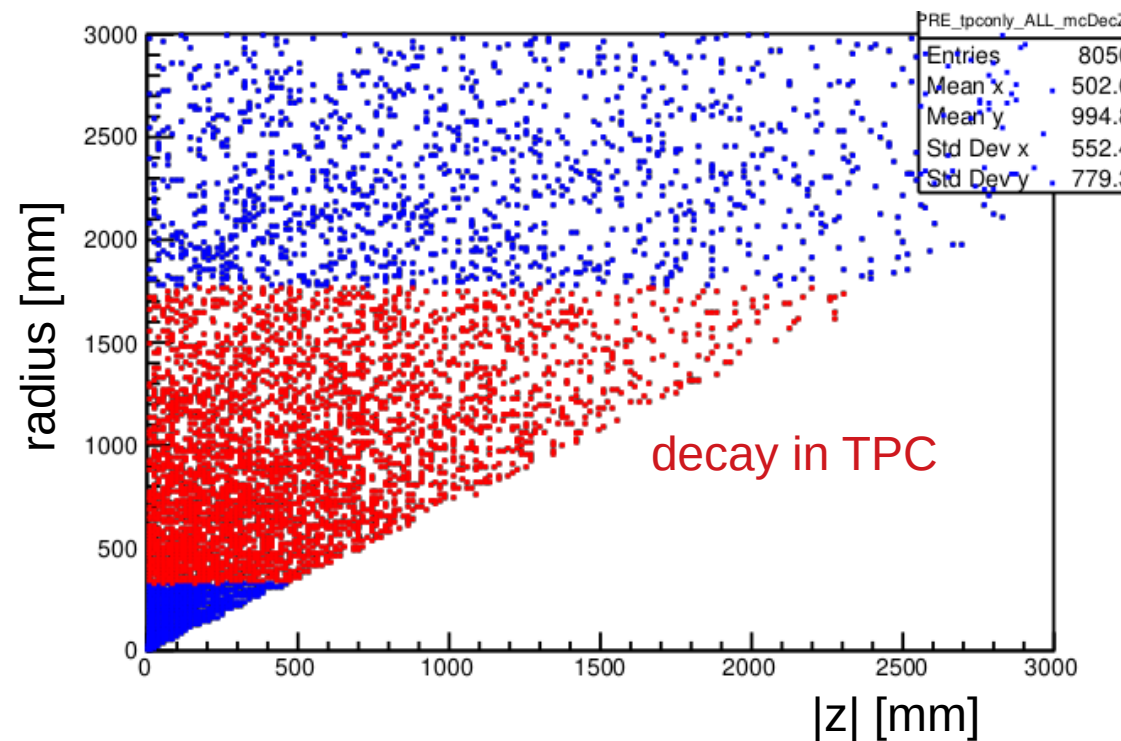
→ identify hits produced by $[\chi_2 \chi_1]$ pair
(but not by which of χ_2, χ_1)

preselection:

exactly 2 silicon tracks/event

$[\chi_2 \chi_1]$ pair associated to
at least 200 TPC hits

decay point of χ_2 for preselected decays



1. fit all TPC hits (KalTest)

- use track state at last hit of Silicon track as initial guess
- add TPC hits (in order of increasing radius)
- (don't yet use SET)
- look at chisq of this track, and Prob(chisq, nDOF)

2. then look for a kink

in → out track

initial guess: track state at last hit of Silicon track
add&fit TPC hits one-by-one, in order of increasing radius
record [track state, chi2, nDoF] at each hit

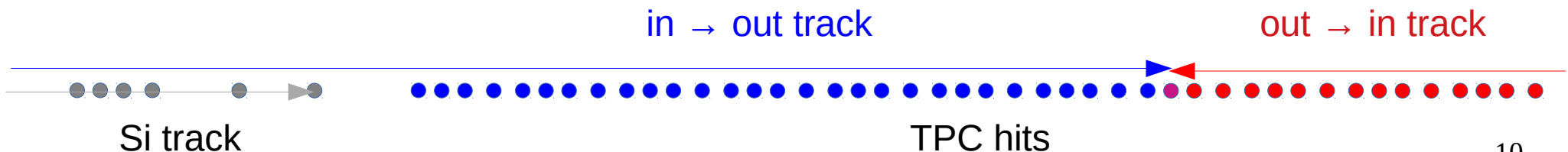
out → in track

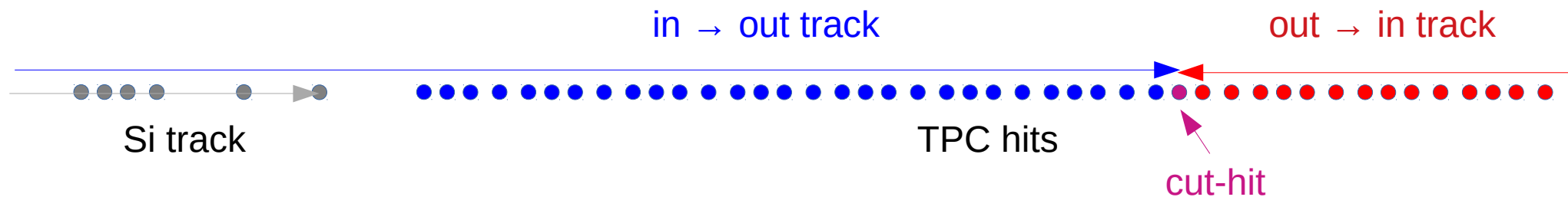
starting from outer TPC hits, move inwards
add TPC hits one-by-one
record [track state, chi2, nDoF] at each hit

also do this not using
SiTrack info: "TPCOnly"

at each TPC hit, we now have track parameters when it is

- outermost hit of in → out track
- innermost hit of out → in track

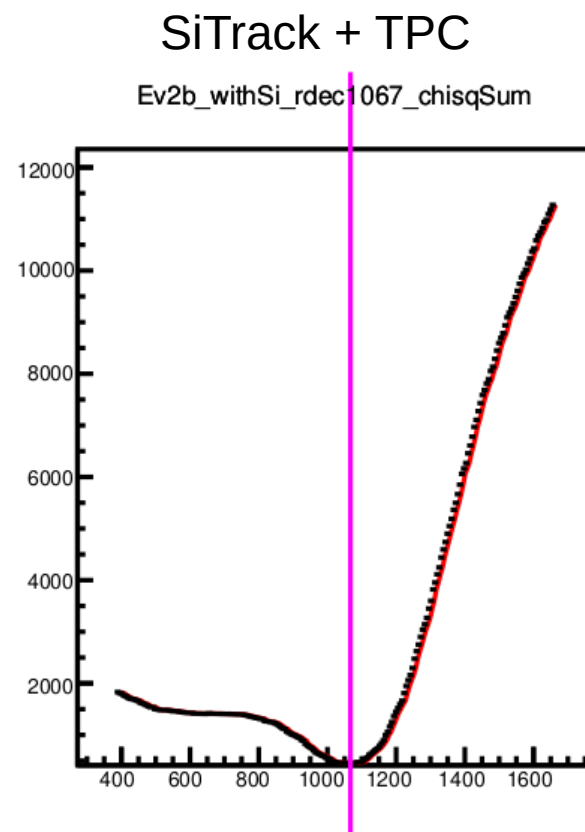
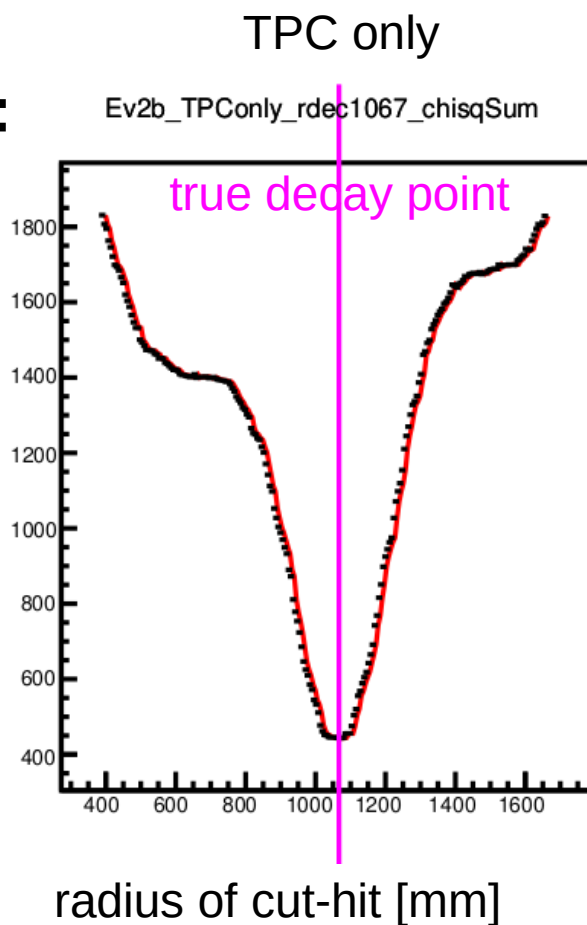


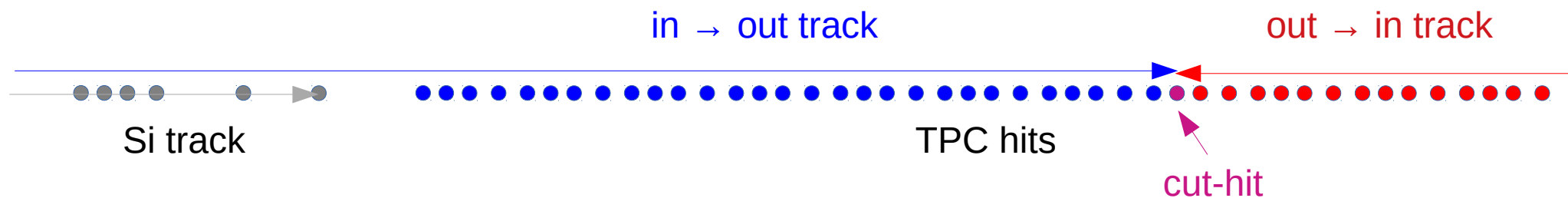


at each TPC hit, have two tracks, with a common “cut-hit”

e.g. one decay:

sum of the two
tracks' fit χ^2





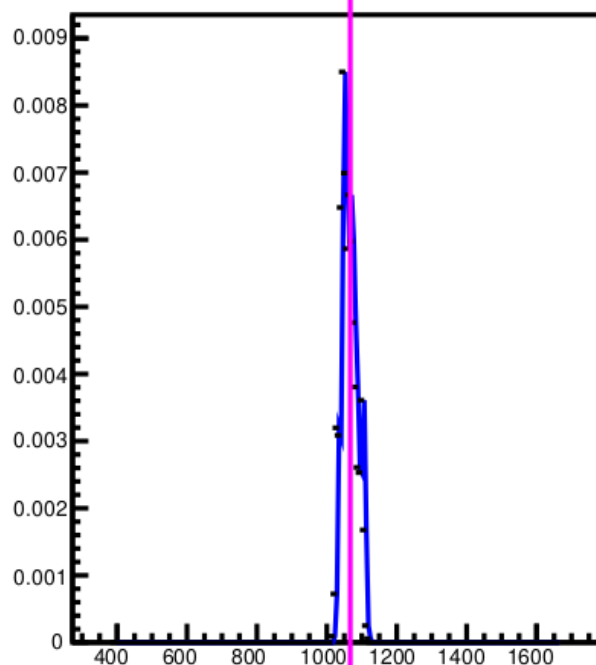
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product of track
chisq probabilities

$\text{prob}(\text{chisq1}, \text{ndf1})$
 \times
 $\text{prob}(\text{chisq2}, \text{ndf2})$

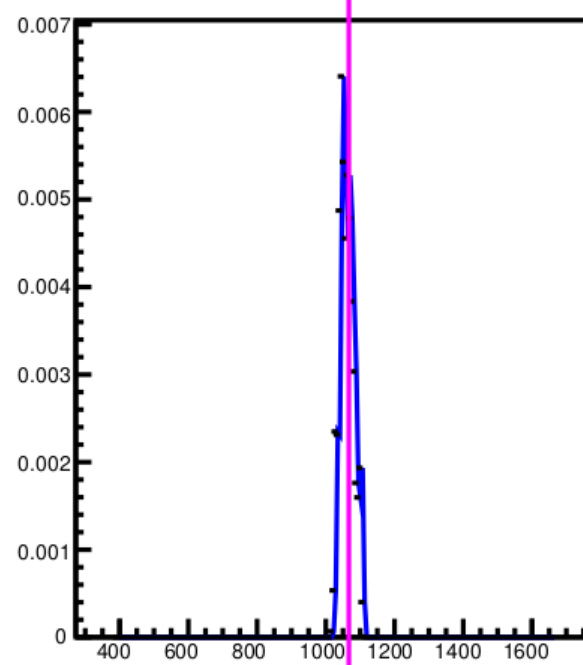
TPC only

Ev2b_TPCOnly_rdec1067_chisqProb

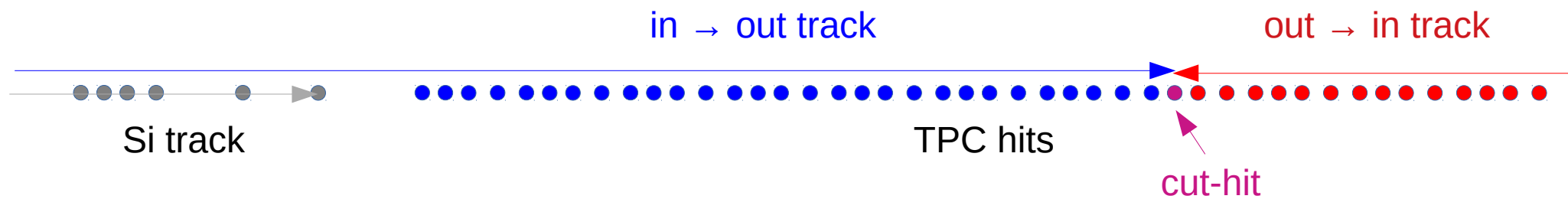


SiTrack + TPC

Ev2b_withSi_rdec1067_chisqProb



radius of cut-hit [mm]

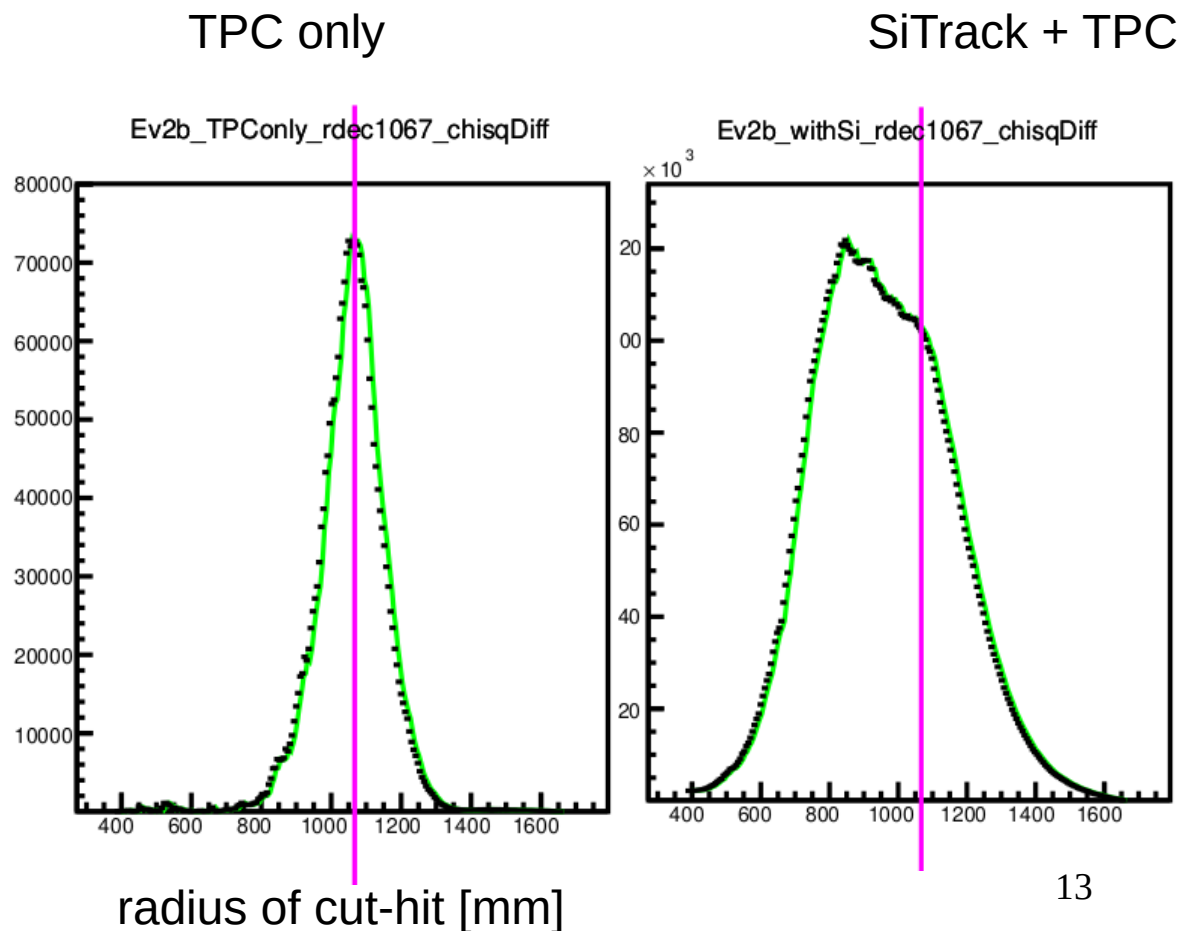


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compare the 2 sets of track parameters at the cut-hit, using the covariance matrices

$$\text{Chi}^2 = (\mathbf{P}_1 - \mathbf{P}_2)^T (\text{cov}_1 + \text{cov}_2)^{-1} (\mathbf{P}_1 - \mathbf{P}_2)$$

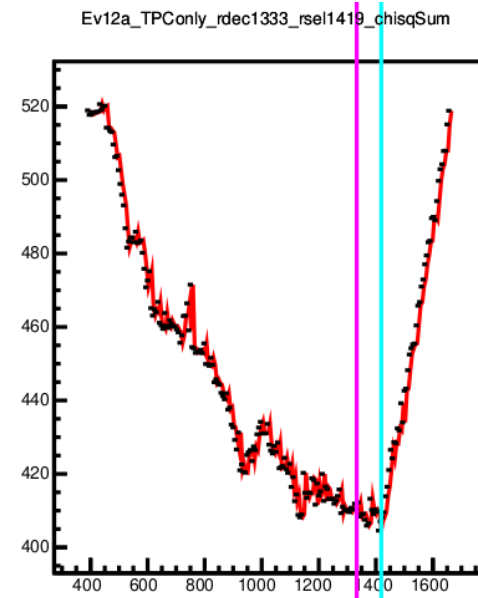
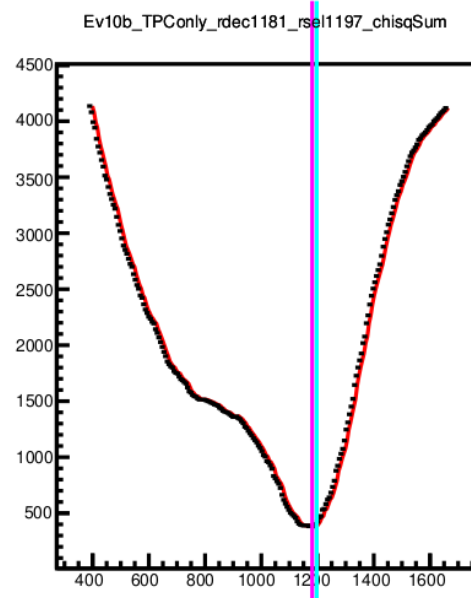
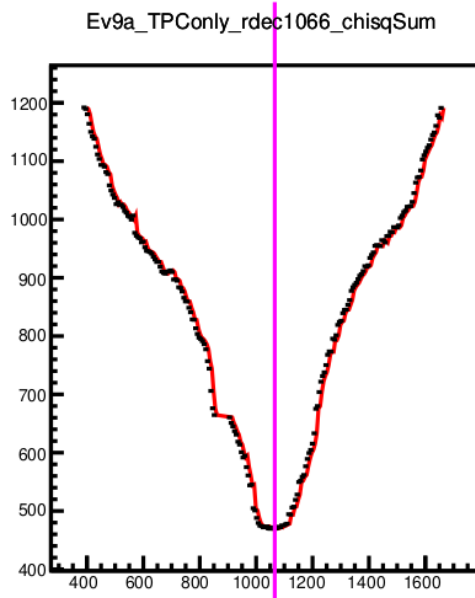
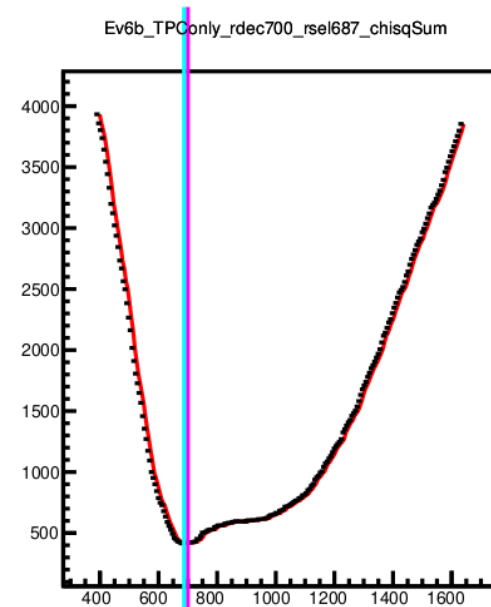
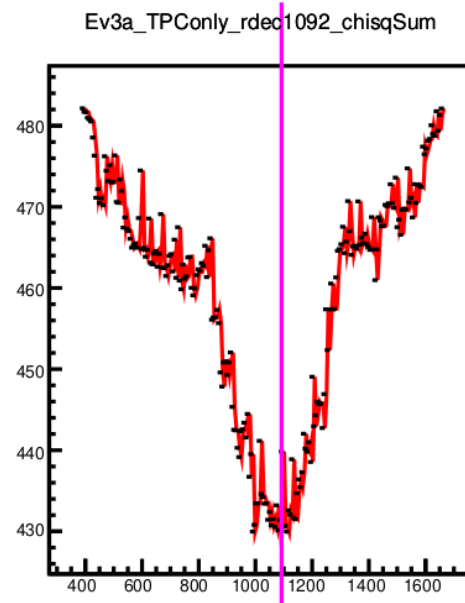
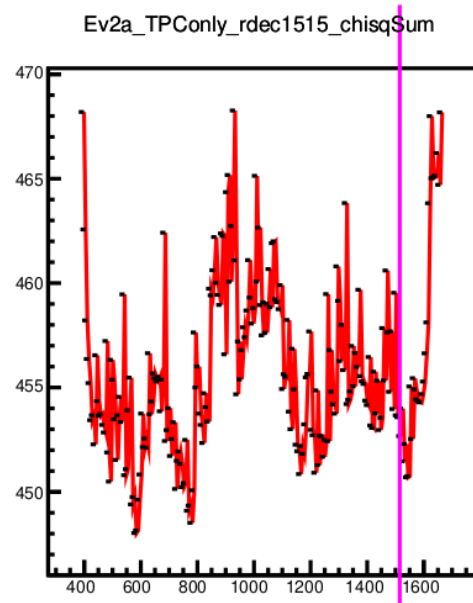
small Chi2 = consistent parameters
large Chi2 = inconsistent



reconstructed kink point: minimum “chiSq-trk1 + chisq-trk2”

more examples

chiSq-trk1
+
chisq-trk2



radius of “cut hit”

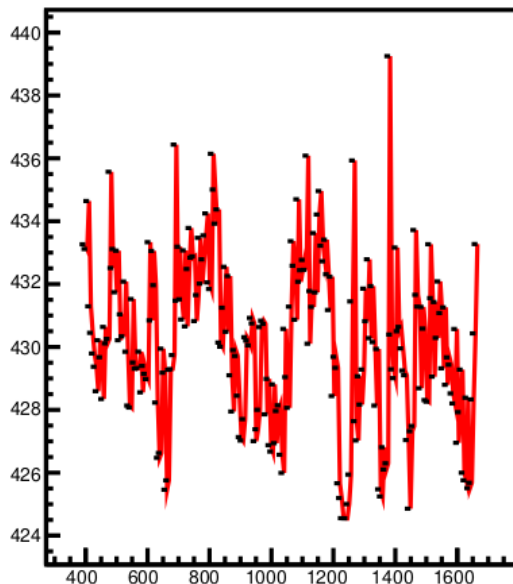
m2; m1 = 110 ; 109 GeV

examples with decay outside TPC

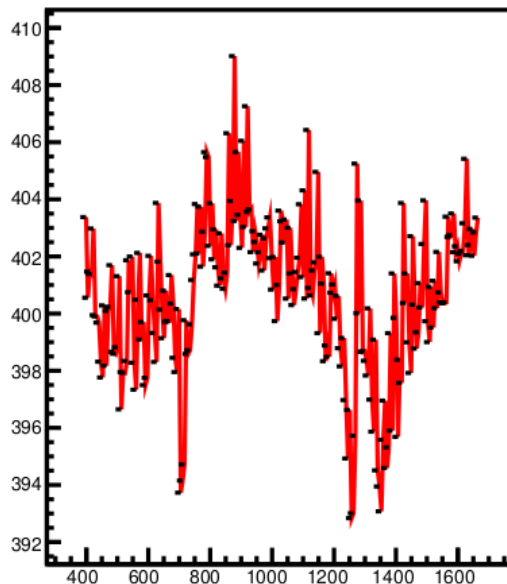
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chiSq-trk1
+
chisq-trk2

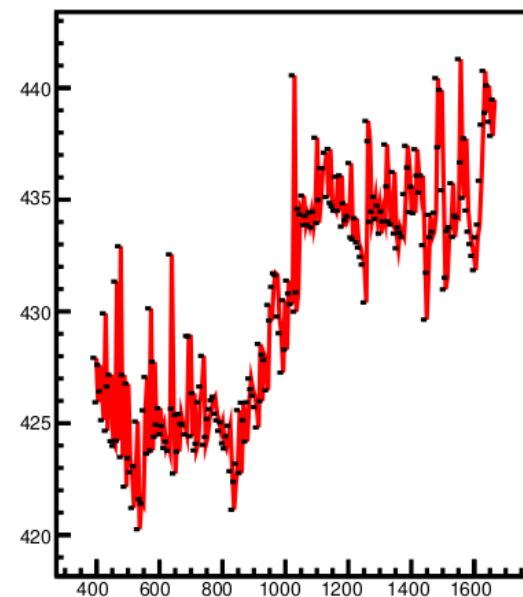
Ev4a_TPCOnly_rdec3049_chisqSum



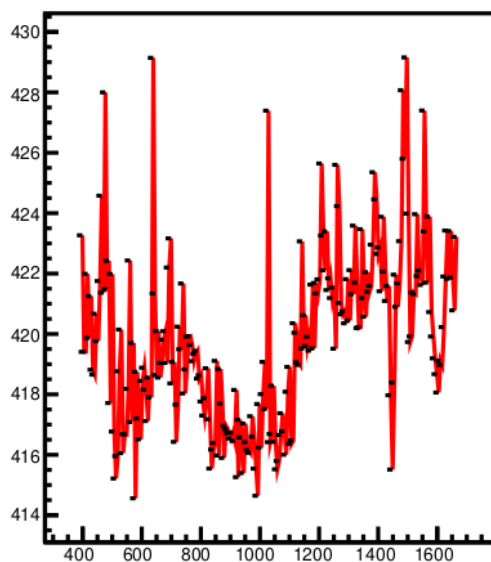
Ev4b_TPCOnly_rdec2696_chisqSum



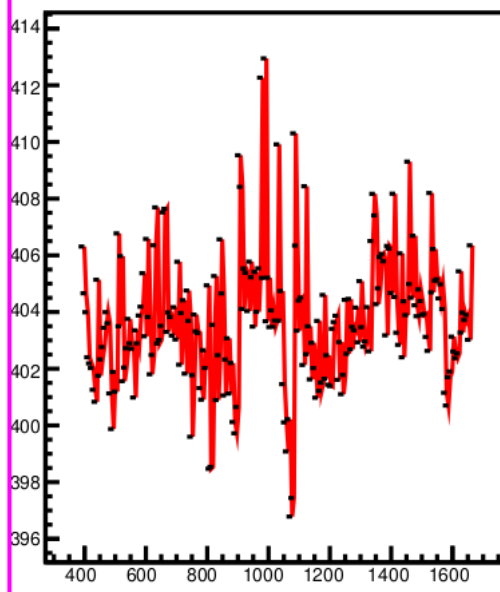
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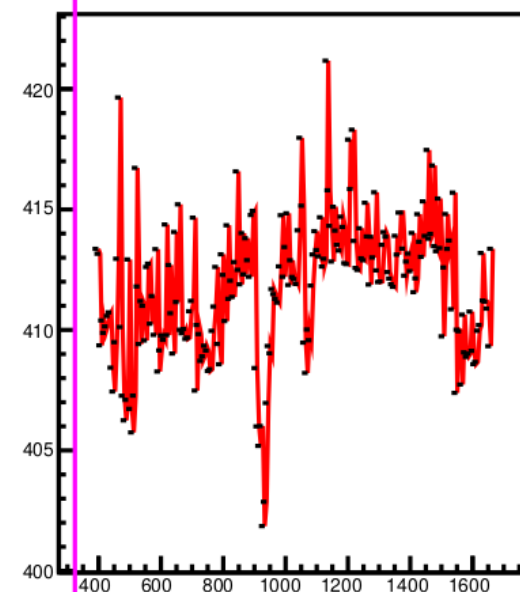
Ev5a_TPCOnly_rdec5387_chisqSum



Ev5b_TPCOnly_rdec155_chisqSum



Ev6a_TPCOnly_rdec324_chisqSum



radius of "cut hit"

once we identify the cut-hit with minimum χ^2 ,
how do we decide if it's a real kink?

in → out track

out → in track

Si track

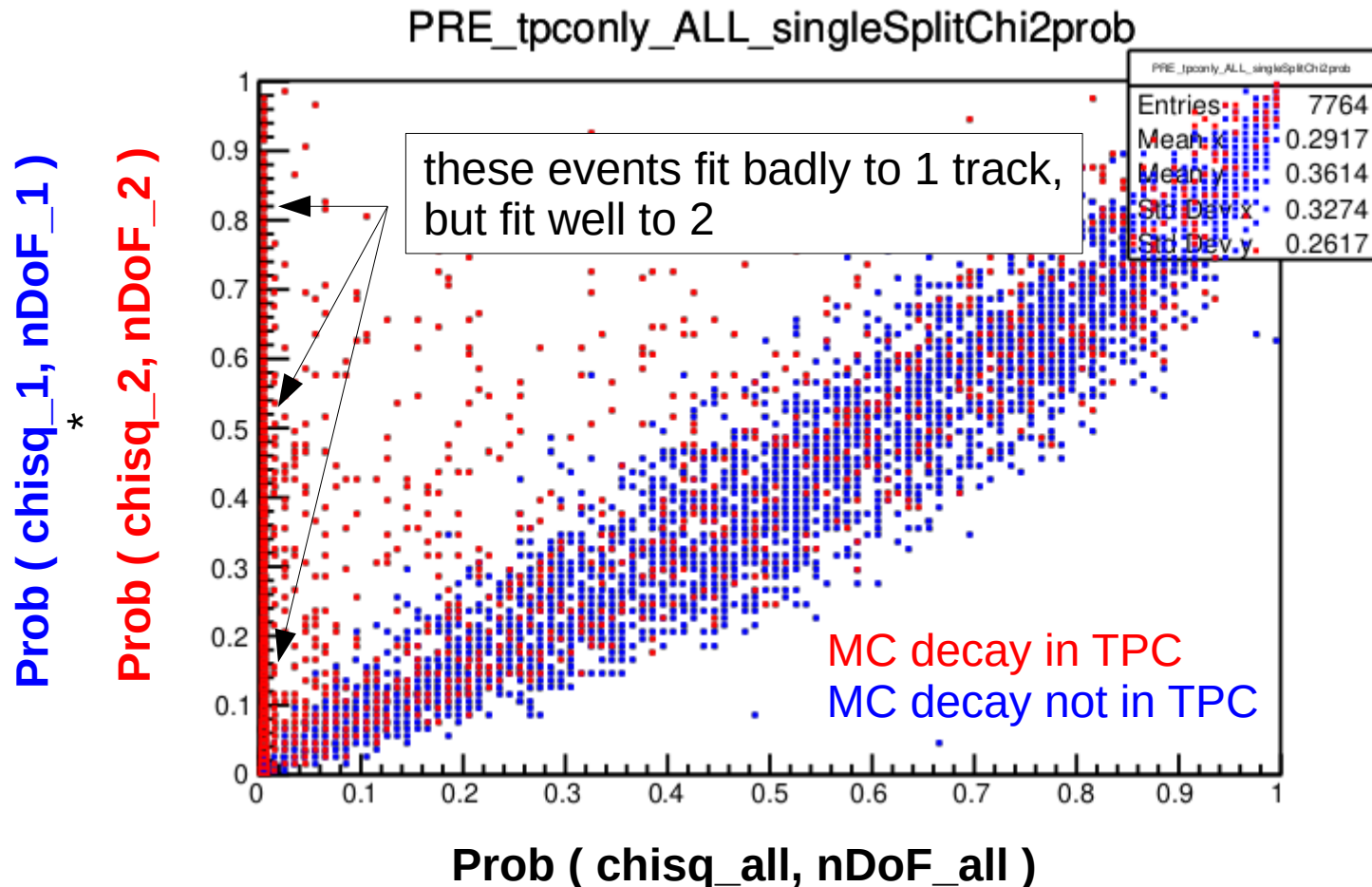
TPC hits

cut-hit

is an identified kink **significant** ?

compare $\text{Prob}(\text{chisq_all}, \text{nDoF_all})$ [track with all TPC hits]

with $\text{Prob}(\text{chisq_1}, \text{nDoF_1}) * \text{Prob}(\text{chisq_2}, \text{nDoF_2})$



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in → out track

out → in track

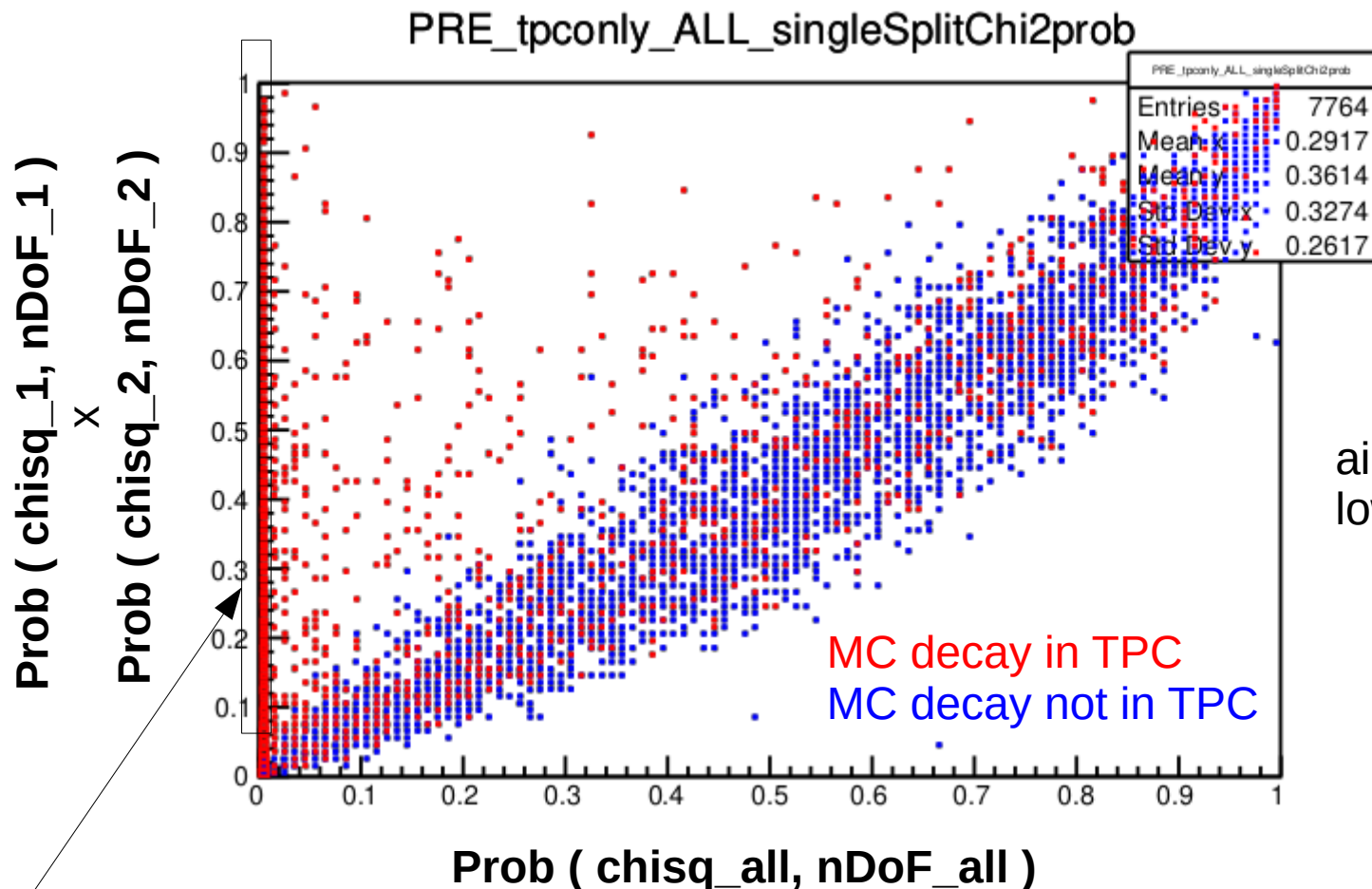
Si track

TPC hits

cut-hit

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with $\text{Prob}(\text{chisq_1}, \text{nDoF_1}) \times \text{Prob}(\text{chisq_2}, \text{nDoF_2})$



aiming for clean,
low-bg selection

selected kinks: $\text{Prob_all} < 1\%$ && $\text{Prob_1} * \text{Prob_2} > 5\%$

in → out track

out → in track

Si track

TPC hits

cut-hit

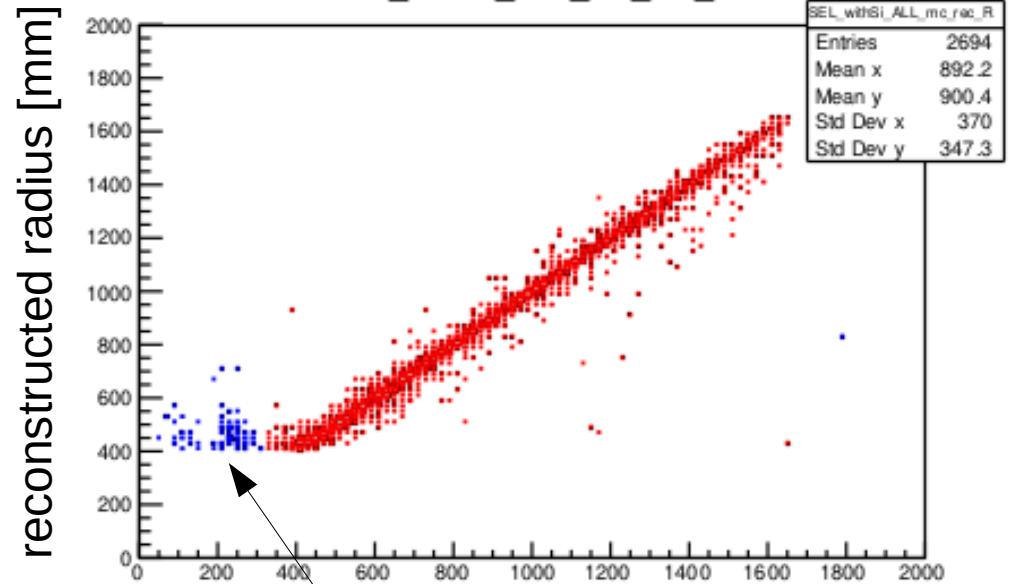
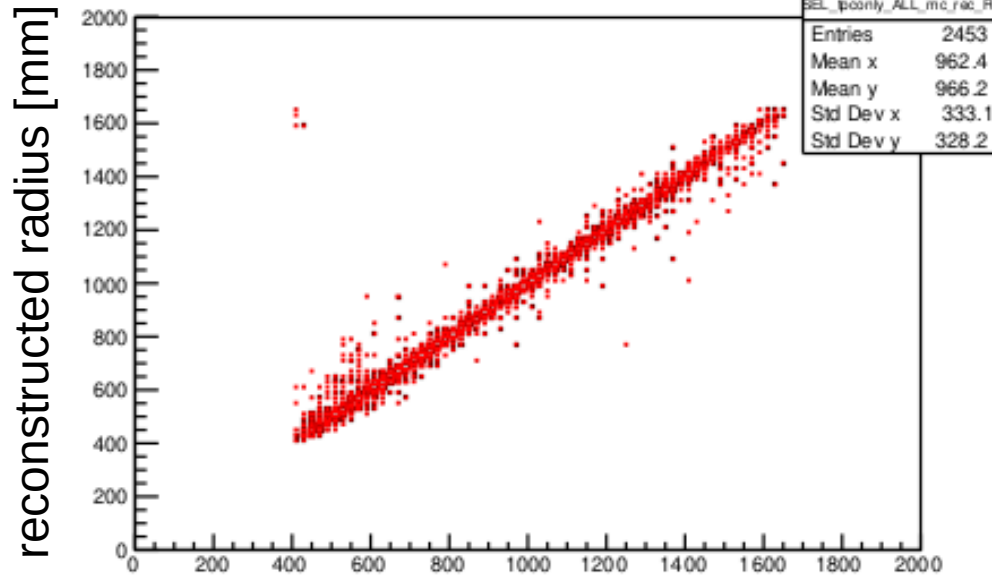
selected kink radius: reconstructed vs. MC

using only TPC hits

SiTrack + TPC hits

SEL_tpconly_ALL_mc_rec_R

SEL_withSi_ALL_mc_rec_R



true (MC) decay radius [mm]

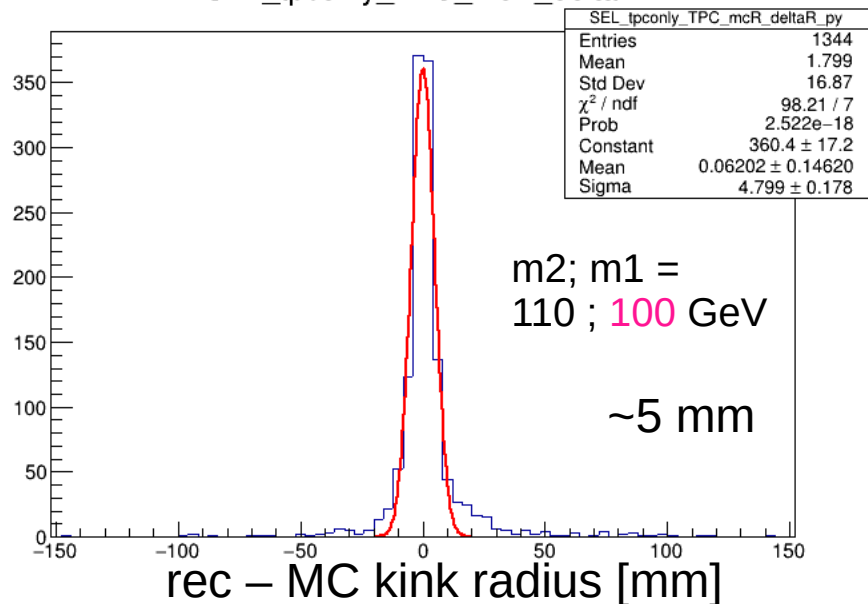
true kink in inner detector, but
kink reconstructed in TPC

unified treatment of Si and TPC hits
is needed → future plan
for now, use TPC-only

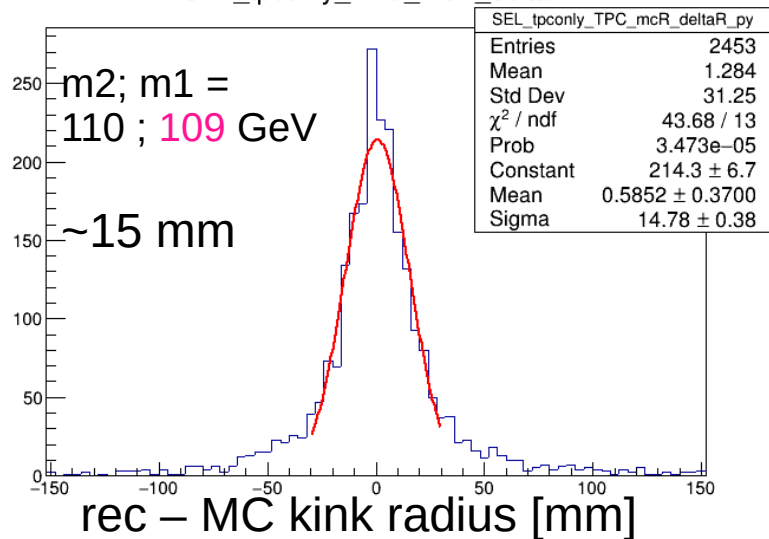
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kink finding: position resolution

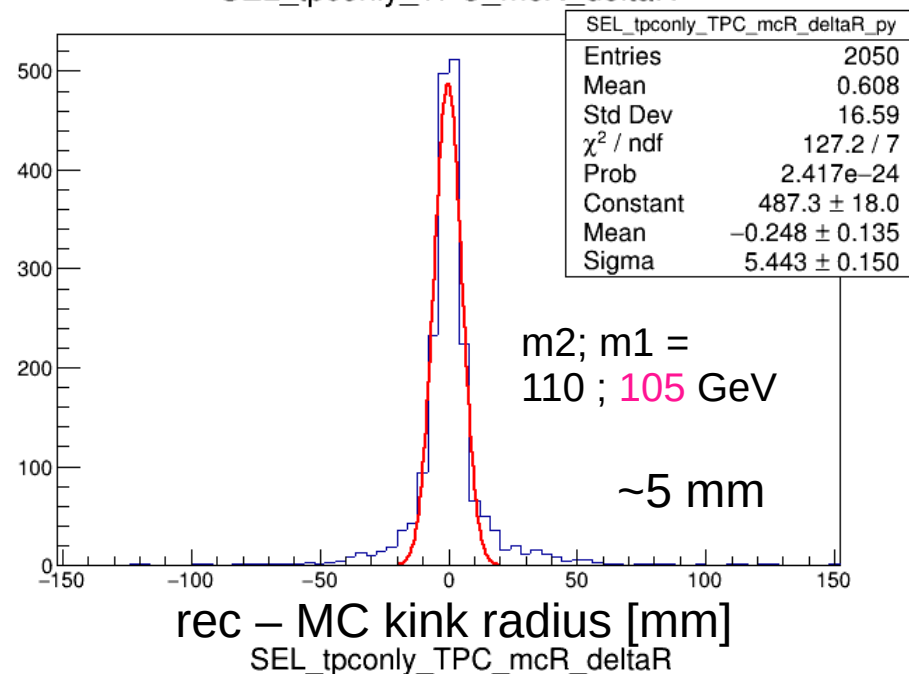
SEL_tpconly_TPC_mcR_deltaR



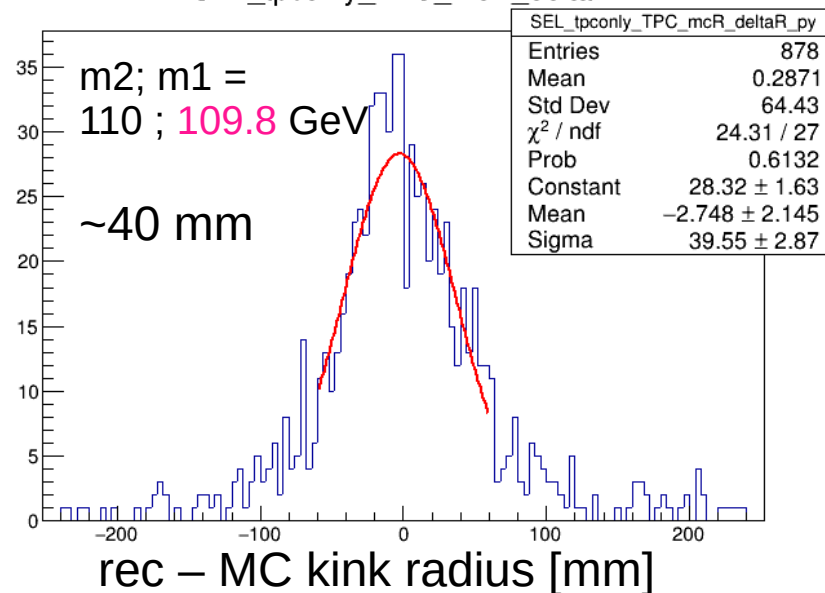
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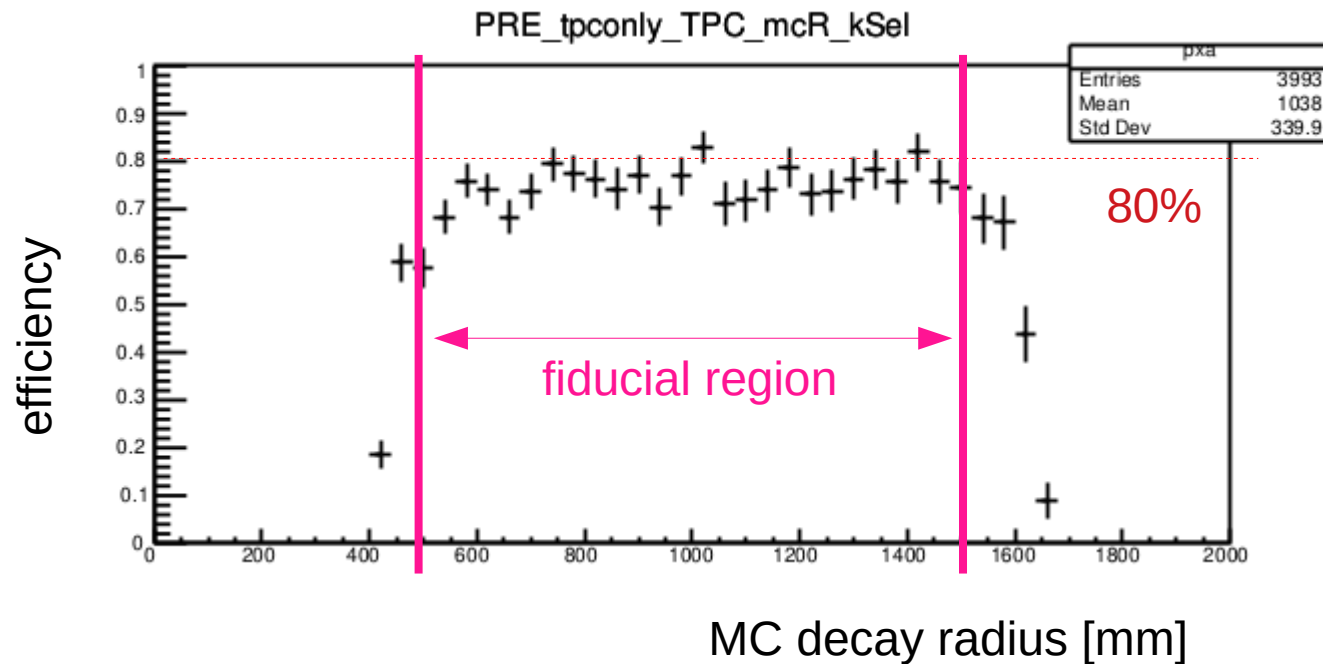
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5~40 mm resolution in kink radius determination
0.06~3 mm bias in radius reconstruction
some non-Gaussian tails

kink finding efficiency

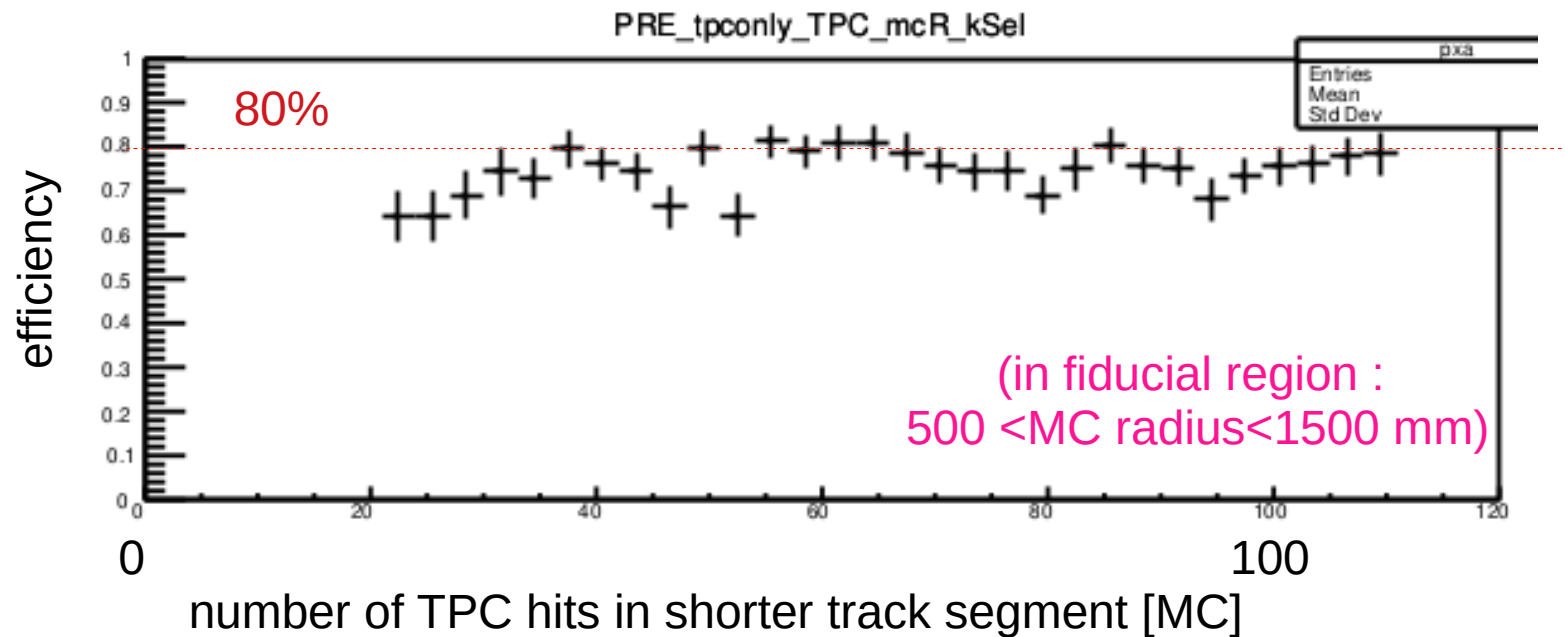
(TPC only; fraction of in-TPC decays for which we find a kink
n.b. no quality cut yet: e.g. consistent kink radius)



less efficient if decay is near inner/outer TPC surface

kink finding efficiency

(TPC only; no quality cut yet: eg consistent kink radius)



kink finding efficiency

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look at 3d angle between mother-daughter
at decay point: “MC kink angle”

distribution depends strongly on mass difference

efficiency

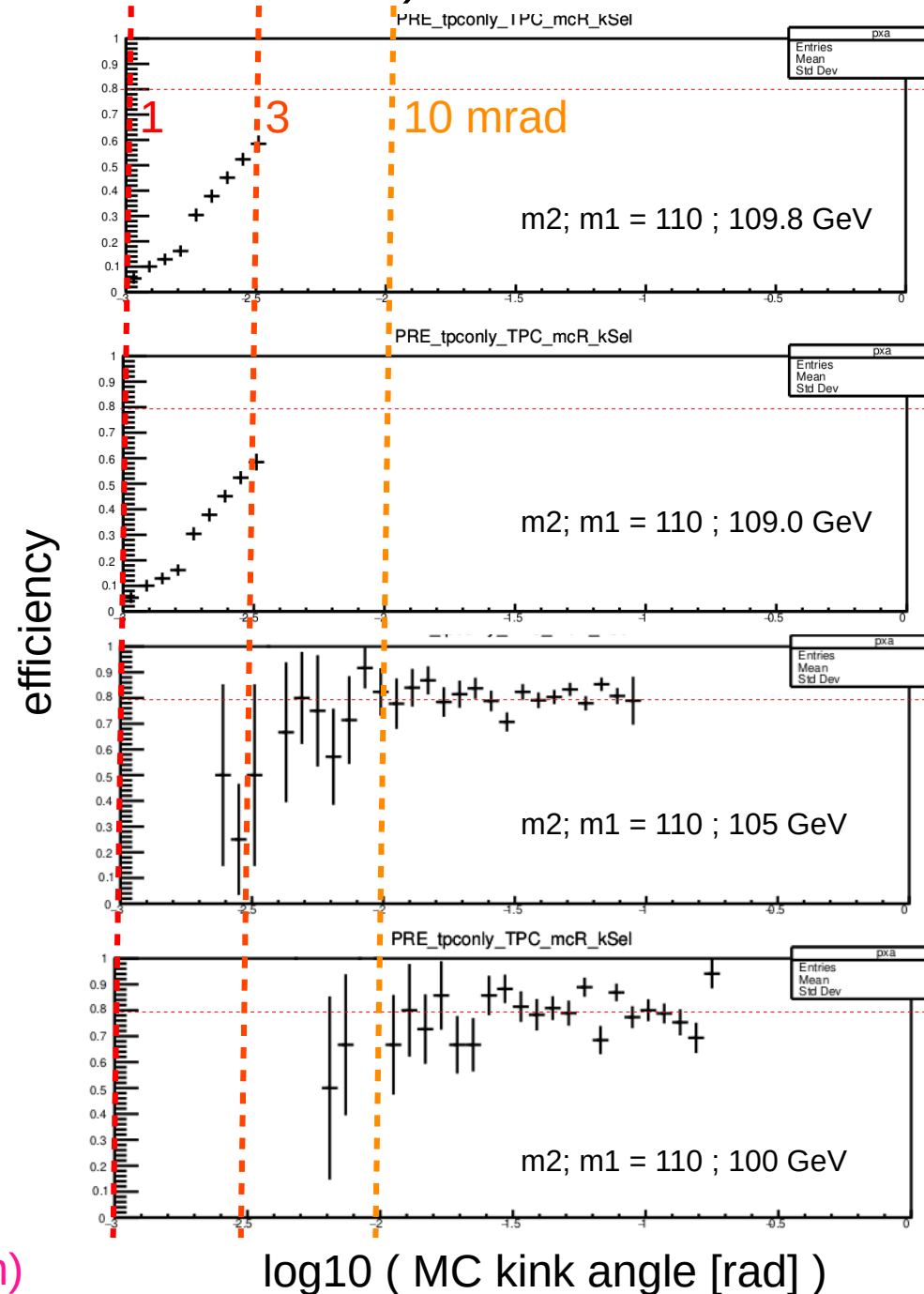
for decays with >200 TPC hits &
decay radius in range 500-1500 mm

~80% above ~6 mrad (0.3 deg)

~55% at 3 mrad

~5% at 1 mrad

(in fiducial region :
500 < MC radius < 1500 mm)



summary

kinked tracks can be a signature of BSM physics

looking at kink-finding in TPC

using only TPC information,
good efficiency for kinks $>3\sim 5$ mrad

future plans

backgrounds / fake kinks / real decays in flight / bremstrahlung

adding silicon hits

apply to some BSM models