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Isolated γ - hadron correlations in Pb-Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV - Updates

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Datasets and analysis cuts

Datasets:

- LHC15o pass2, LHC18q+r pass3
- Trigger: Sum of MB+EMCAL
- **MC:** pp @5.02 TeV PYTHIA
embedded in Pb-Pb MB; *γ -jet events*
(LHC20g3d_GJ_anchLHC15o,
LHC20g3a_GJ_anchLHC18qr)

Centralities:

- 0-10 %, 10-30 %, 30-50 %, 50-90 %

$z_T = p_T^{hadr} / p_T^\gamma$ *intervals:*

- { [0.05-0.1]; [0.1-0.15]; [0.15-0.2];
[0.2-0.4]; [0.4-0.6]; [0.6-0.8]; [0.8-1.0];
[1.0-1.2] }

Purity estimation:

- ABCD method

Shower shape σ_{long}^2 :

Only 5x5 cluster (V2 clusterizer)

- γ $0.10 < \sigma_{long}^2 < 0.30$
- Background: $0.40 < \sigma_{long}^2 < 2.00$

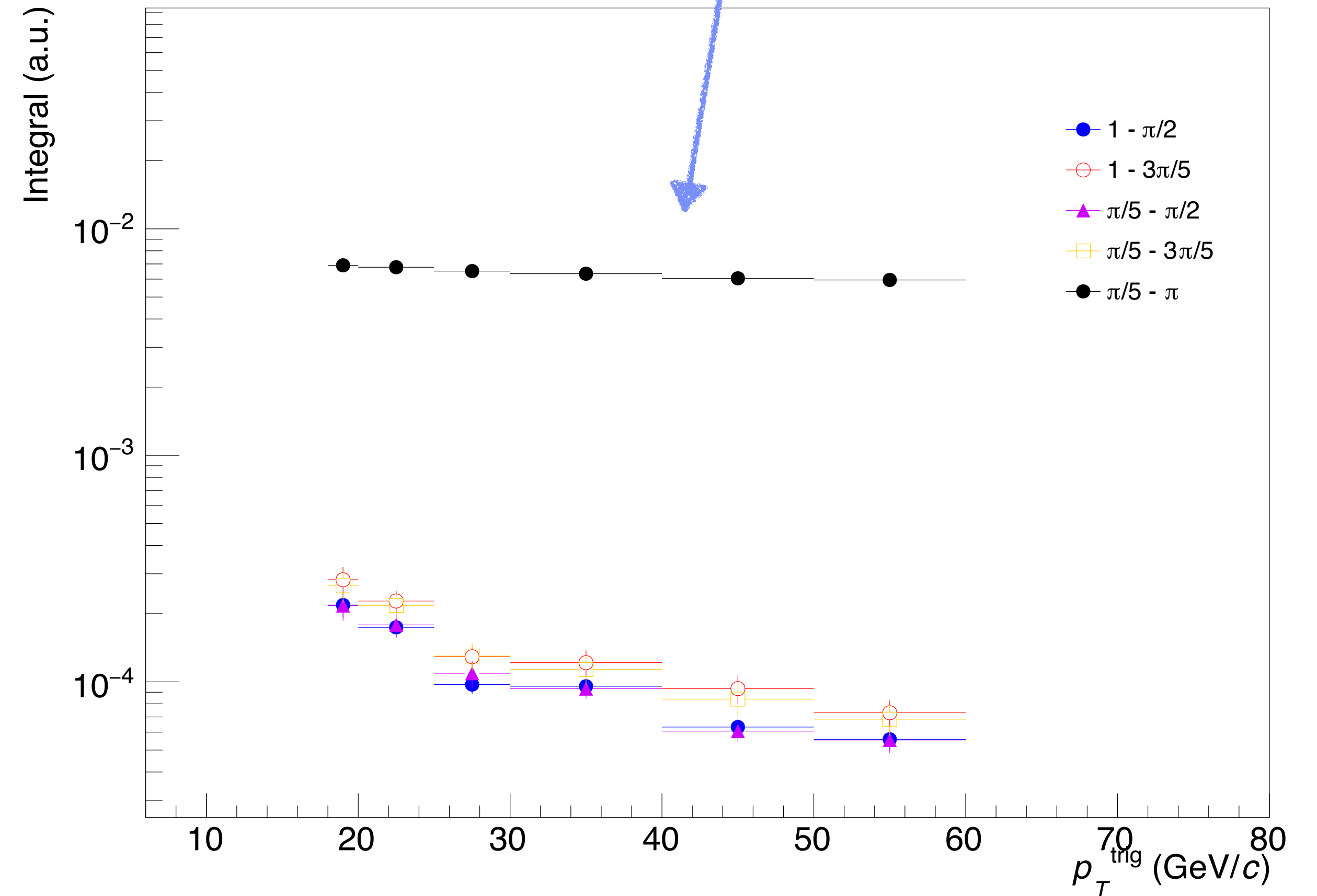
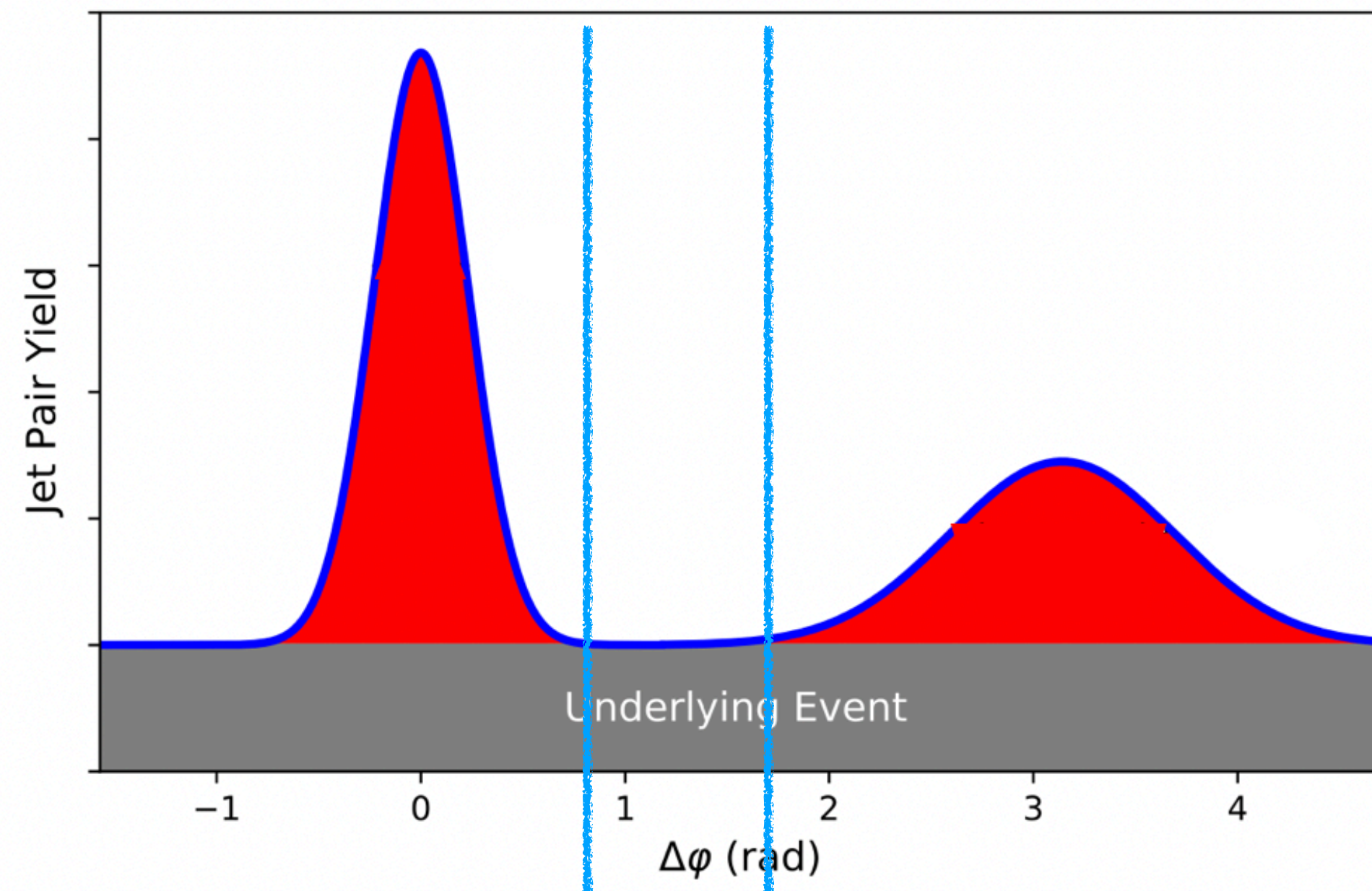
Isolation

(after UE subtraction with η -band):

- $p_T^{iso} < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $R_{cone} = 0.2$

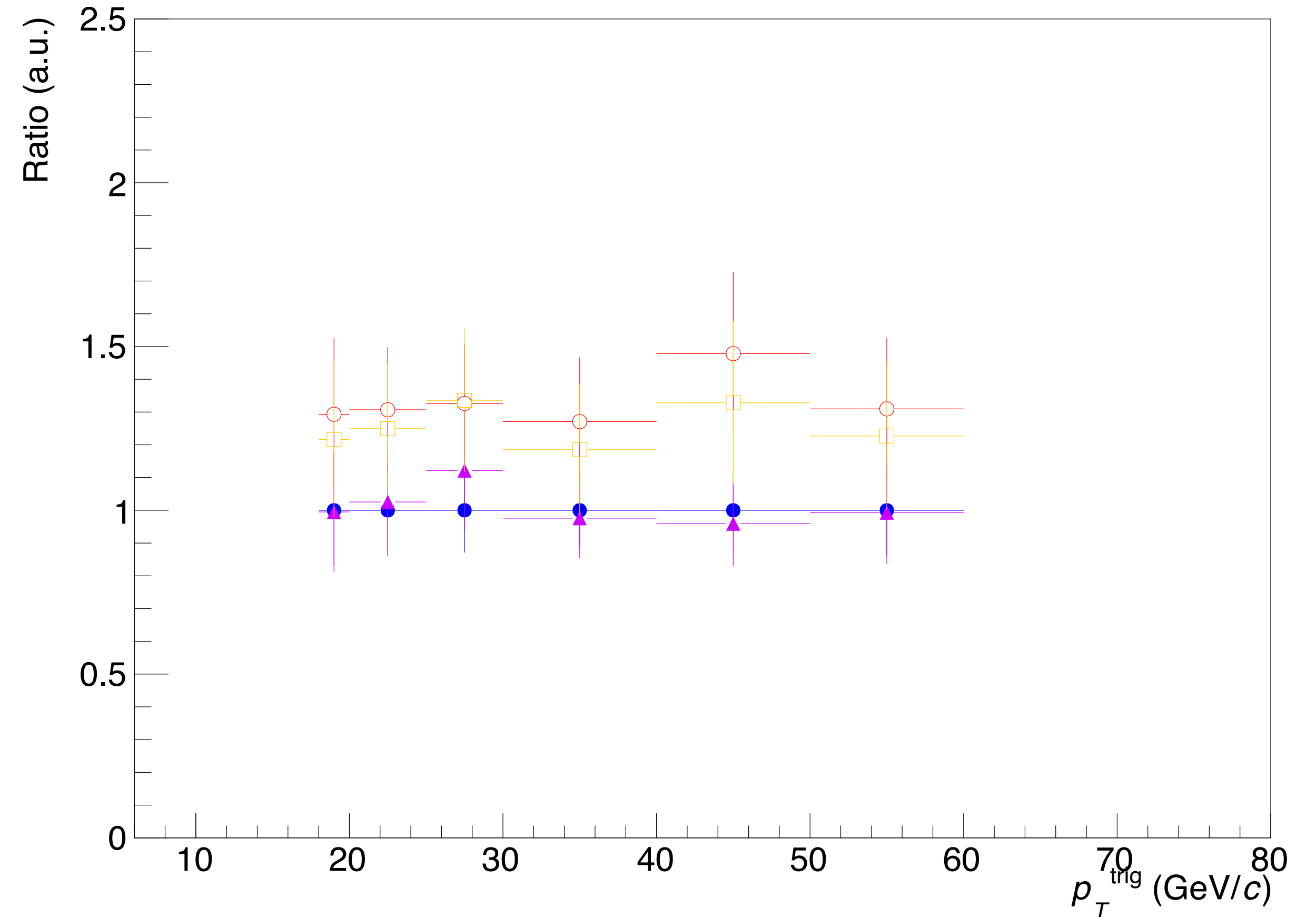
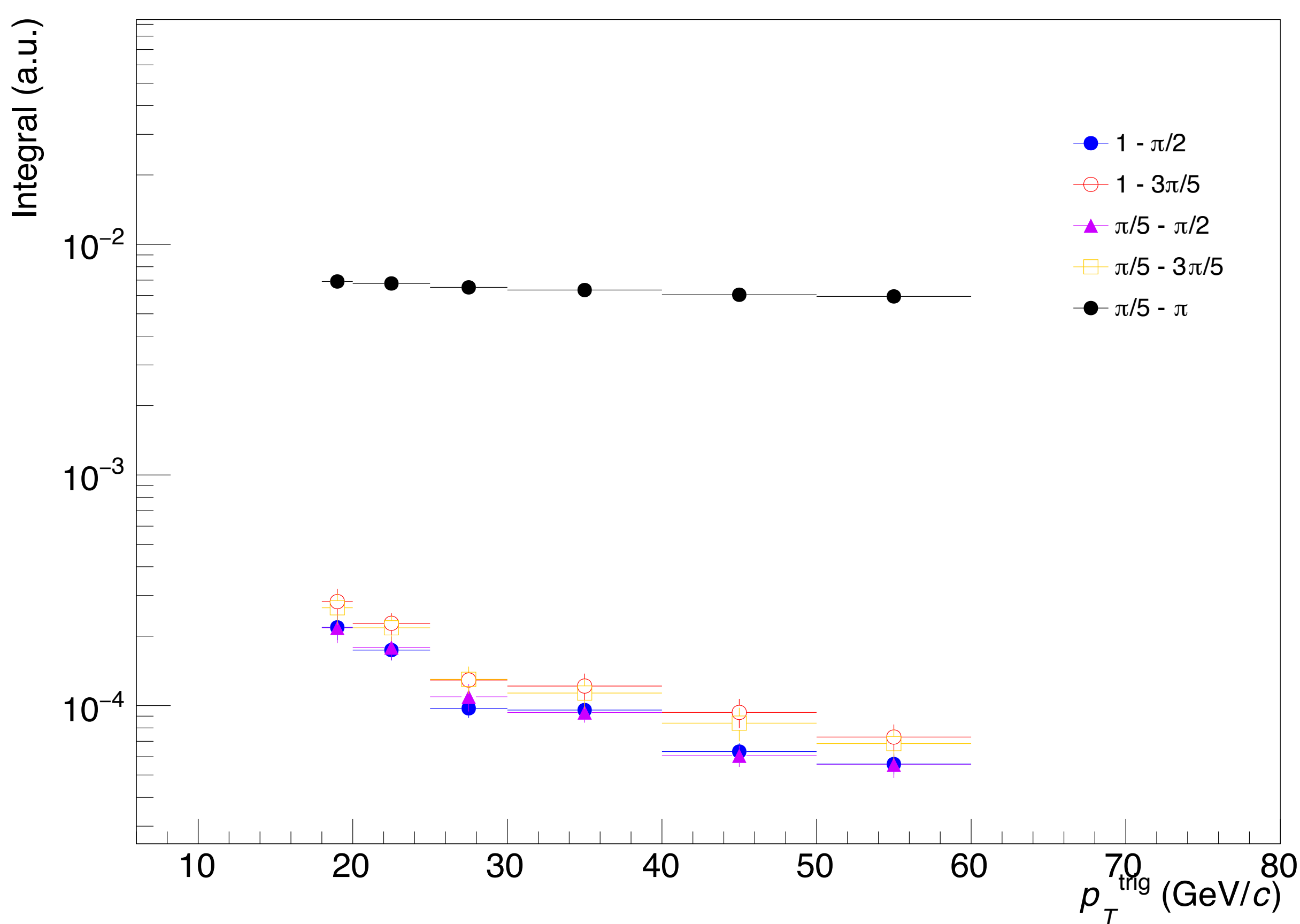
Definition of ZYAM - Mixed region

- Careful evaluation of UE region: to exclude away-side or near-side effects.
- Use pure γ -jet MC to see a residual of away-side peak (away-side effect)
- $\Delta\varphi$ regions = $\{[1-\pi/2];[1-3\pi/5];[\pi/5-\pi/2];[\pi/5-3\pi/5];[\pi/5-\pi]\}$



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The ranges in **red** and **yellow** are still affected by the away-side: EXCLUDED!

The ranges in **blue** and **violet** are compatible

Range $\Delta\varphi = [1-\pi/2]$ is used.

Analysis flow

Subtraction of UE



Purity Correction



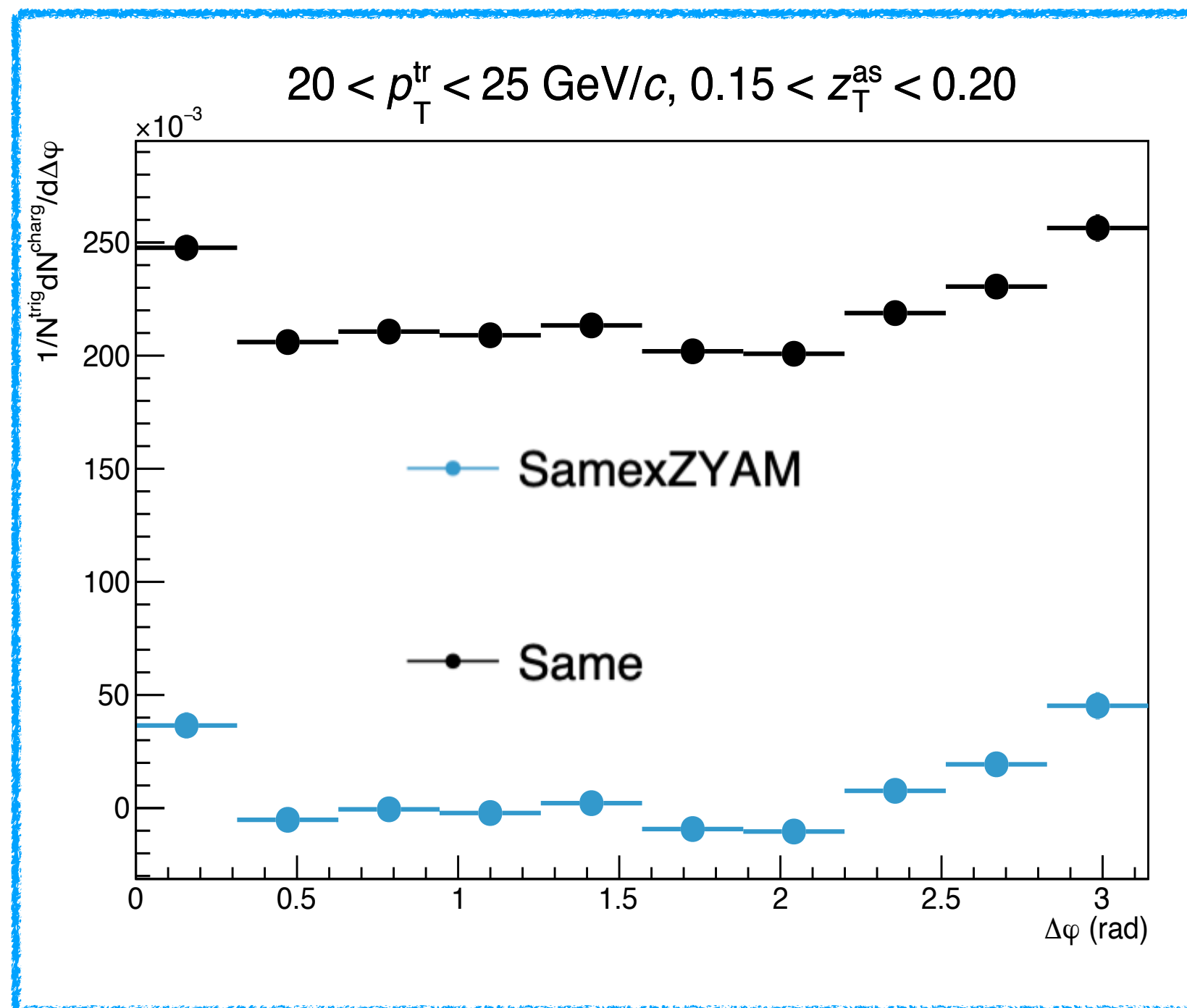
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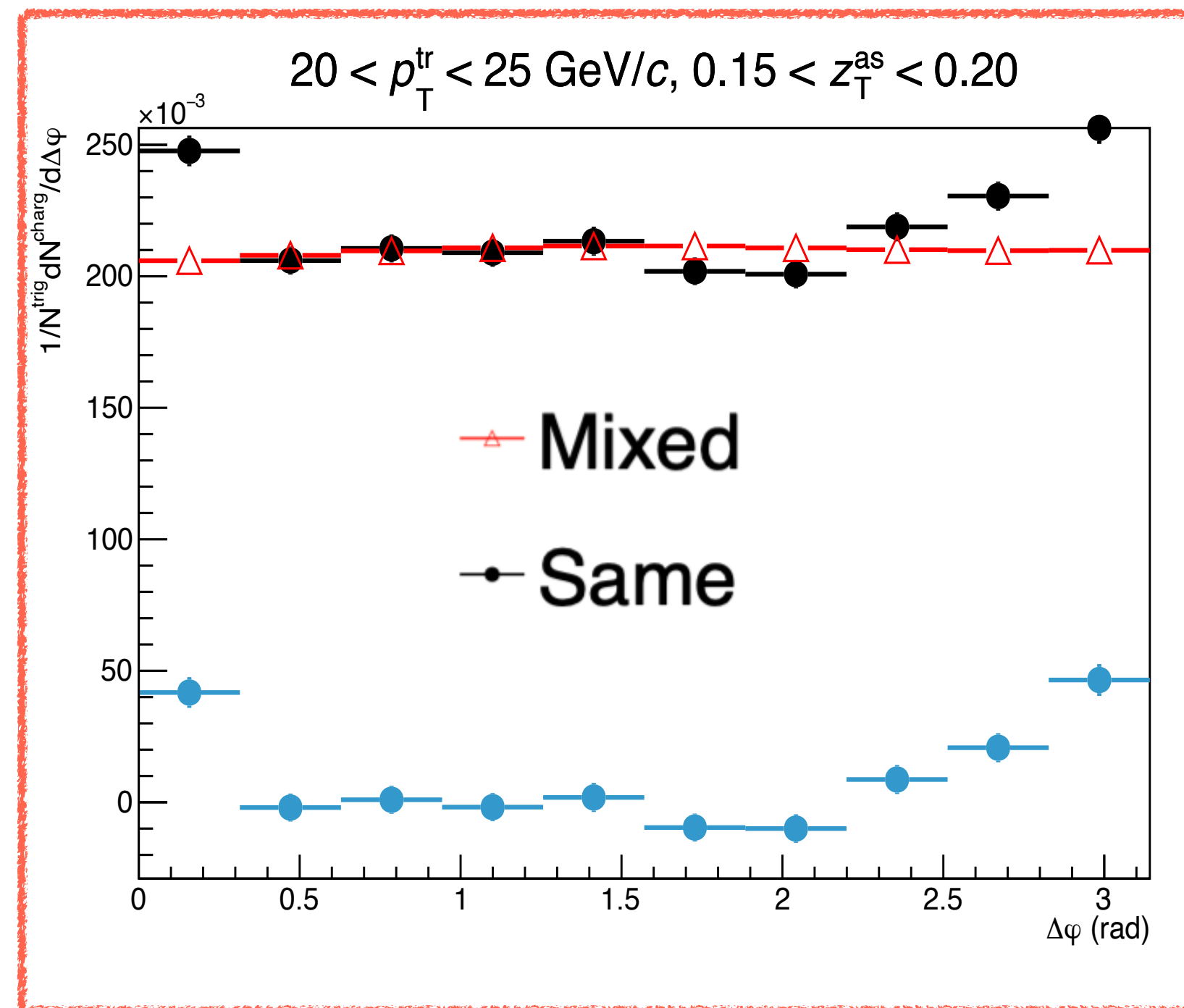
Systematic errors

UE subtraction, ZYAM or Mixed Event

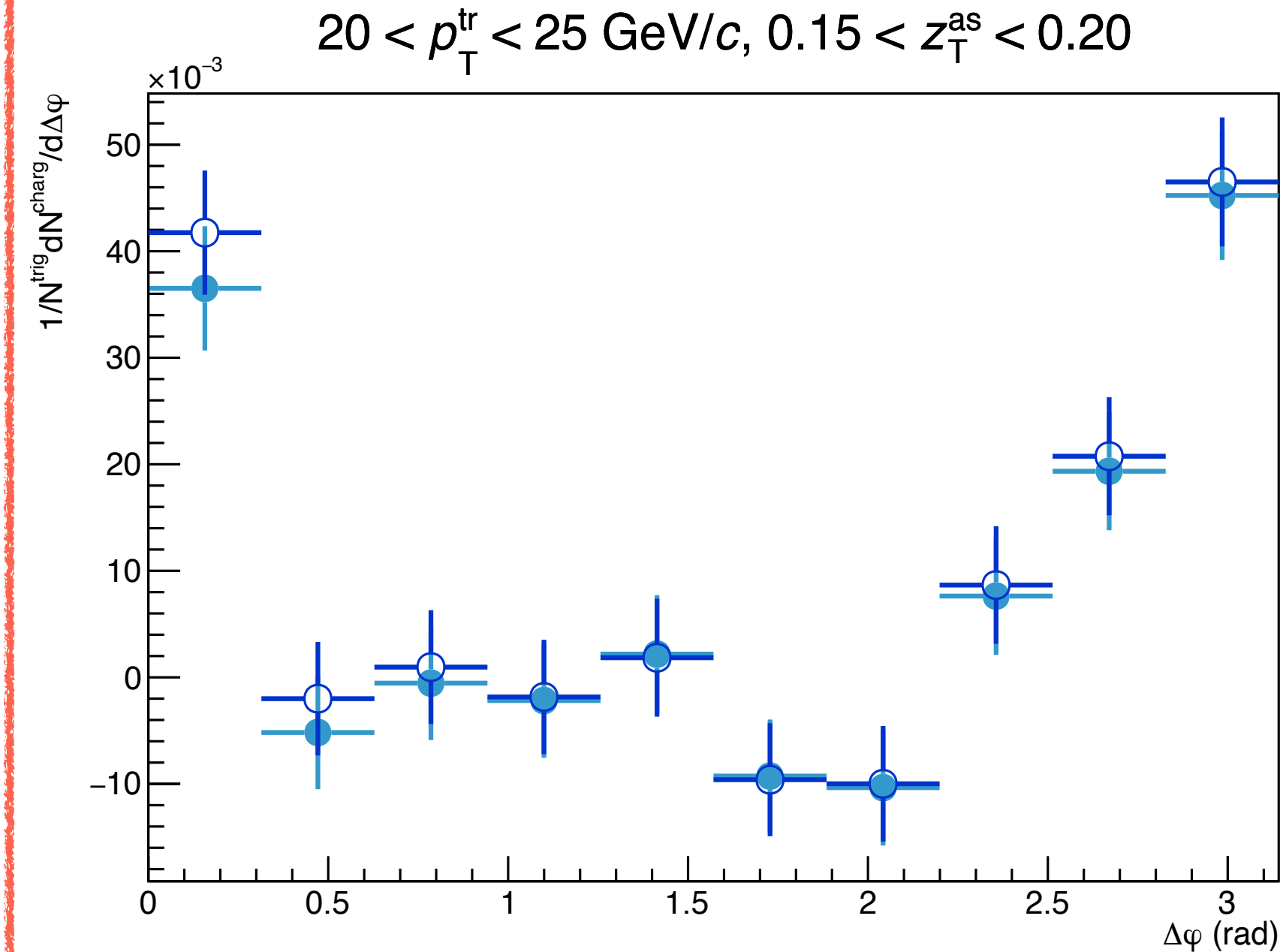
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ZYAM Method



Mixed Event Method (ME)



Compatibility of ME and ZYAM

- Mixed event coincides with the uncorrelated of the Same → method works!
- The two methods are compatible!

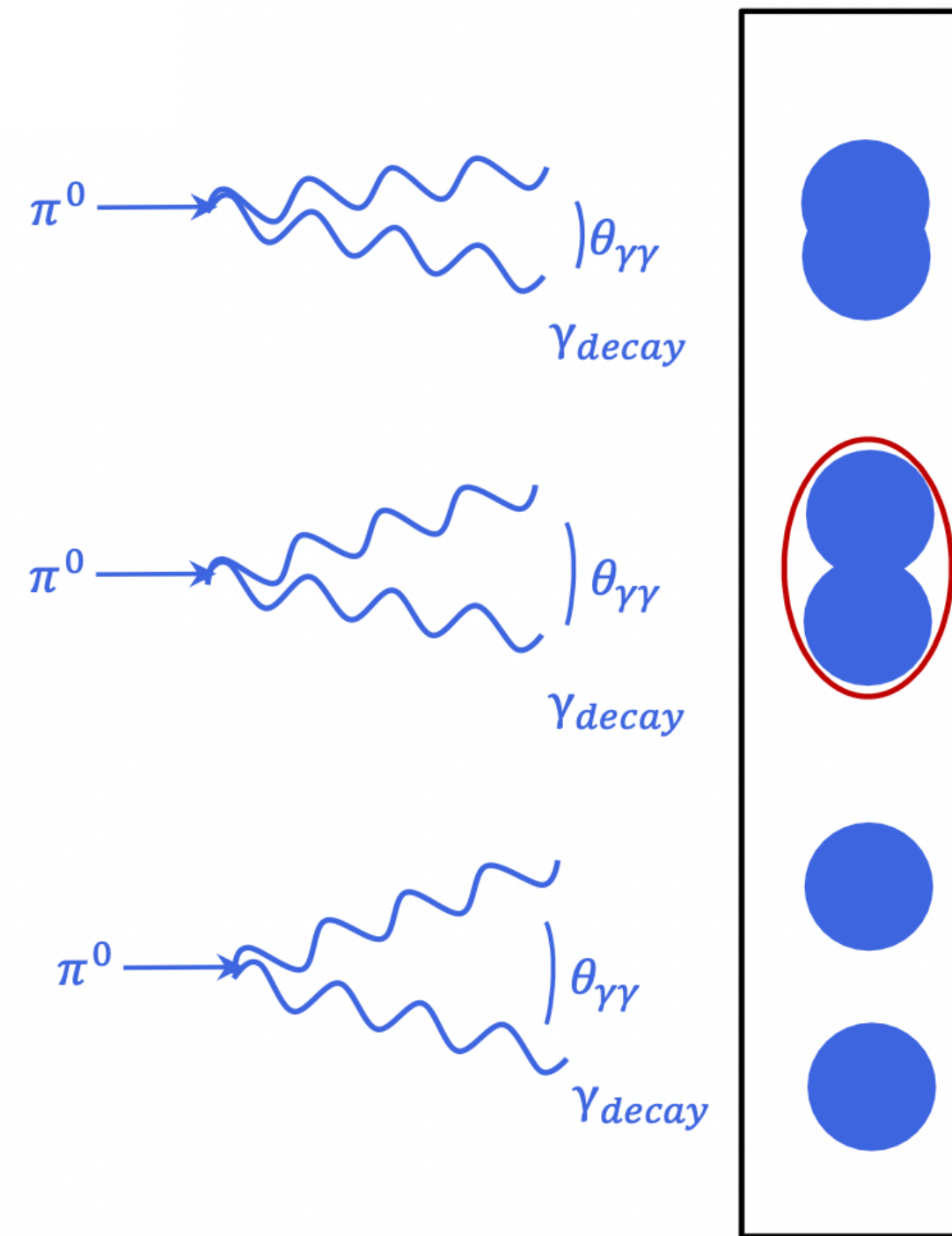
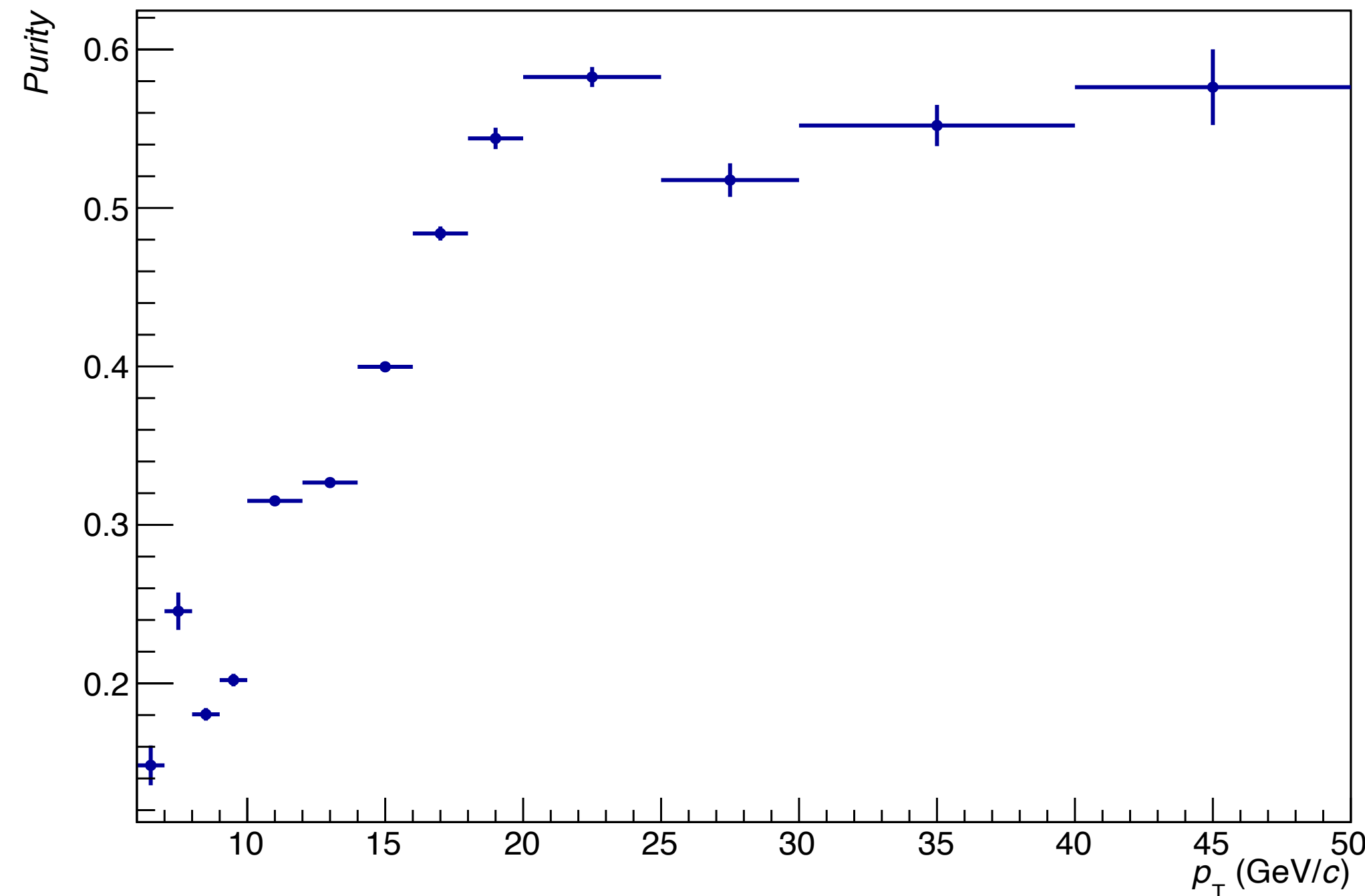
Purity Correction

The isolated γ candidate sample ***has to be corrected*** for π^0 accepted = cluster_{wide}^{iso}

$$\gamma^{iso} = \frac{\text{cluster}_{\text{narrow}}^{iso} - (1 - P) \text{cluster}_{\text{wide}}^{iso}}{P}$$

Where $P = \text{Purity}$

cen:[30,50], $R=0.20$, $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{iso}} < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$, $4.0 < p_{\text{T}}^{\text{anti-iso}} < 14.0 \text{ GeV}/c$



cluster_{wide}^{iso} $\rightarrow 0.4 < \sigma_{\text{long}}^2 < 2.00$

cluster_{narrow}^{iso} $\rightarrow 0.1 < \sigma_{\text{long}}^2 < 0.3$

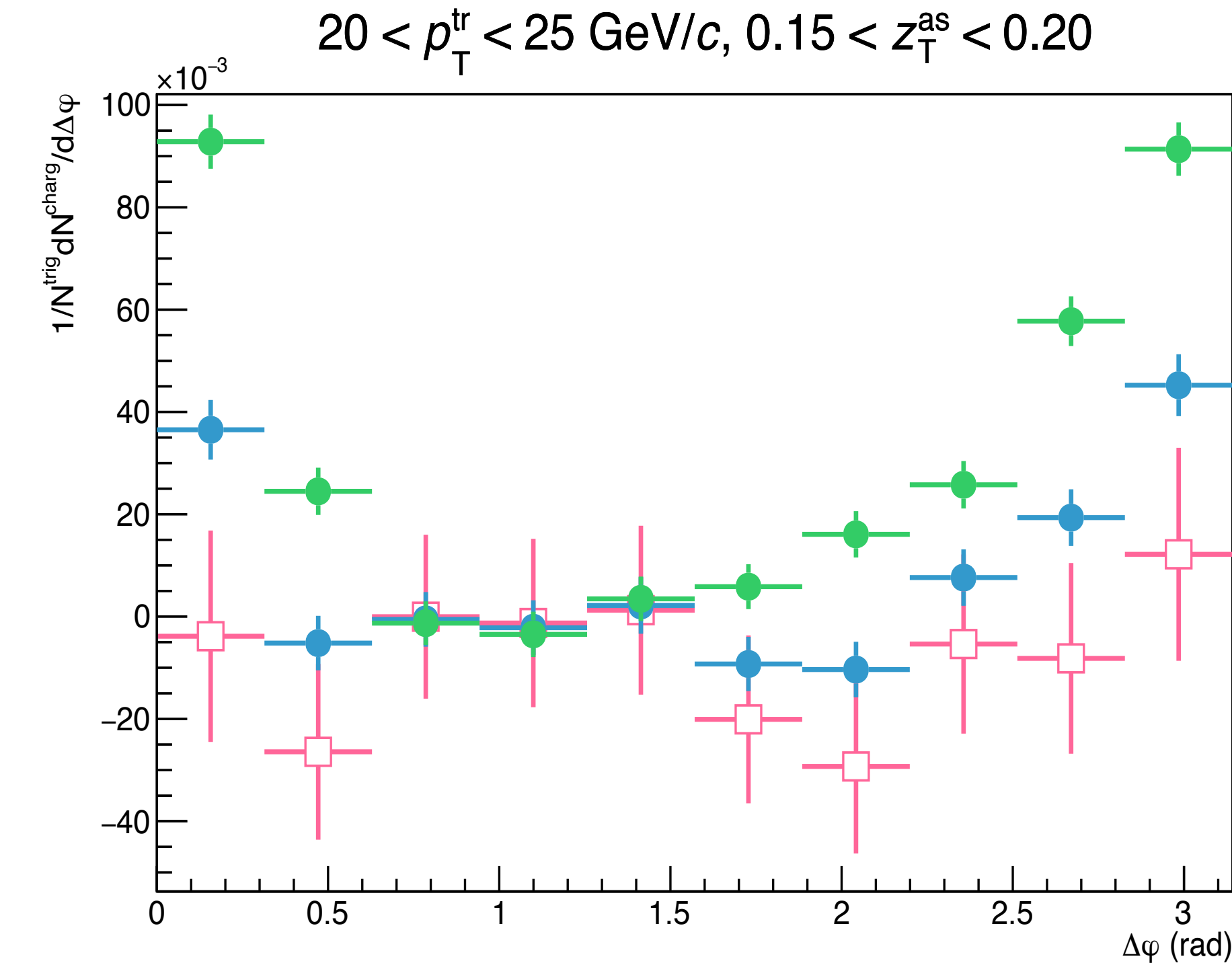
ALICE 2022, Internal, Gustavo Conesa's analysis



Purity result not final, but variations not expected to affect much the analysis

Purity Correction

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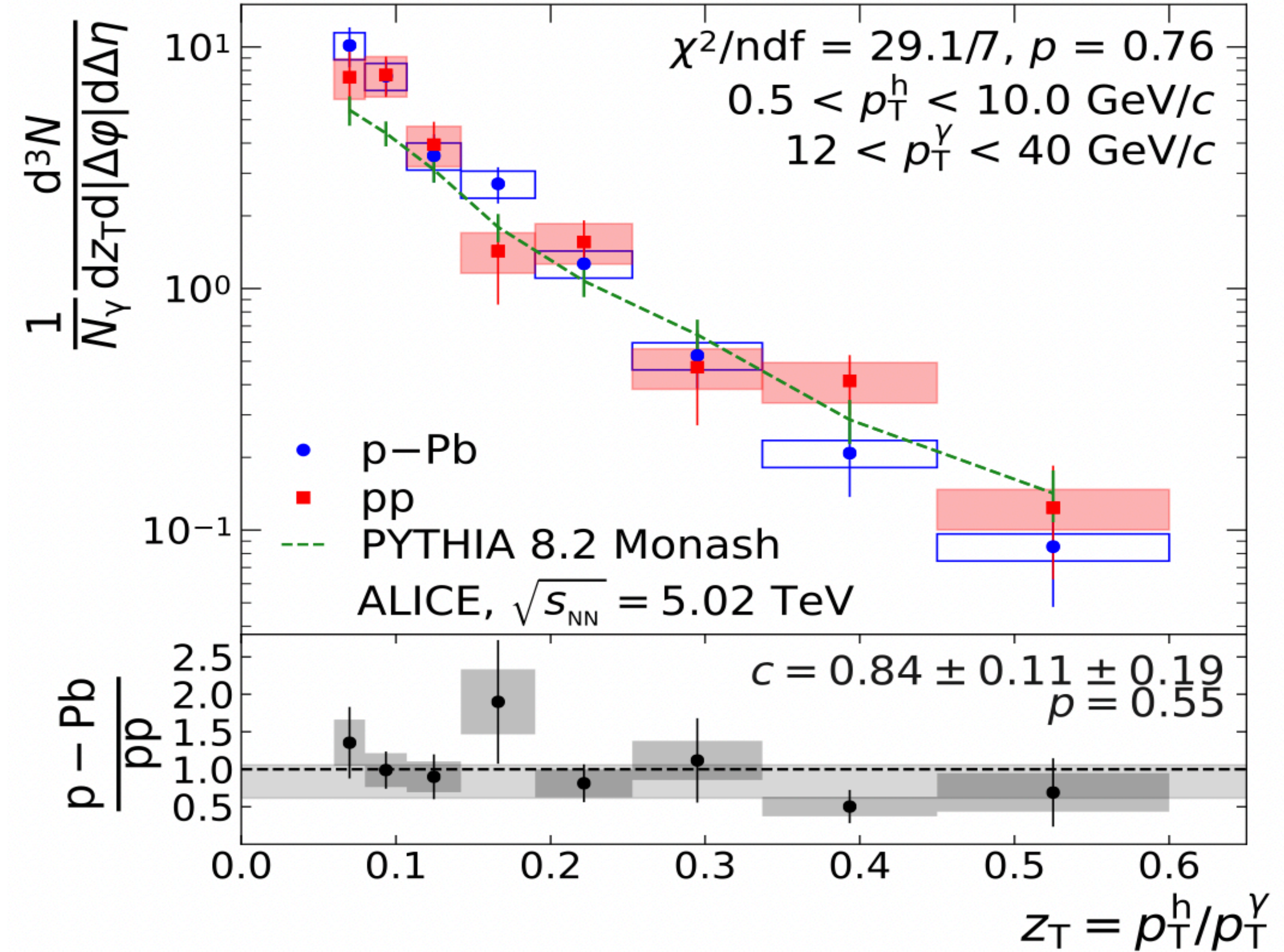
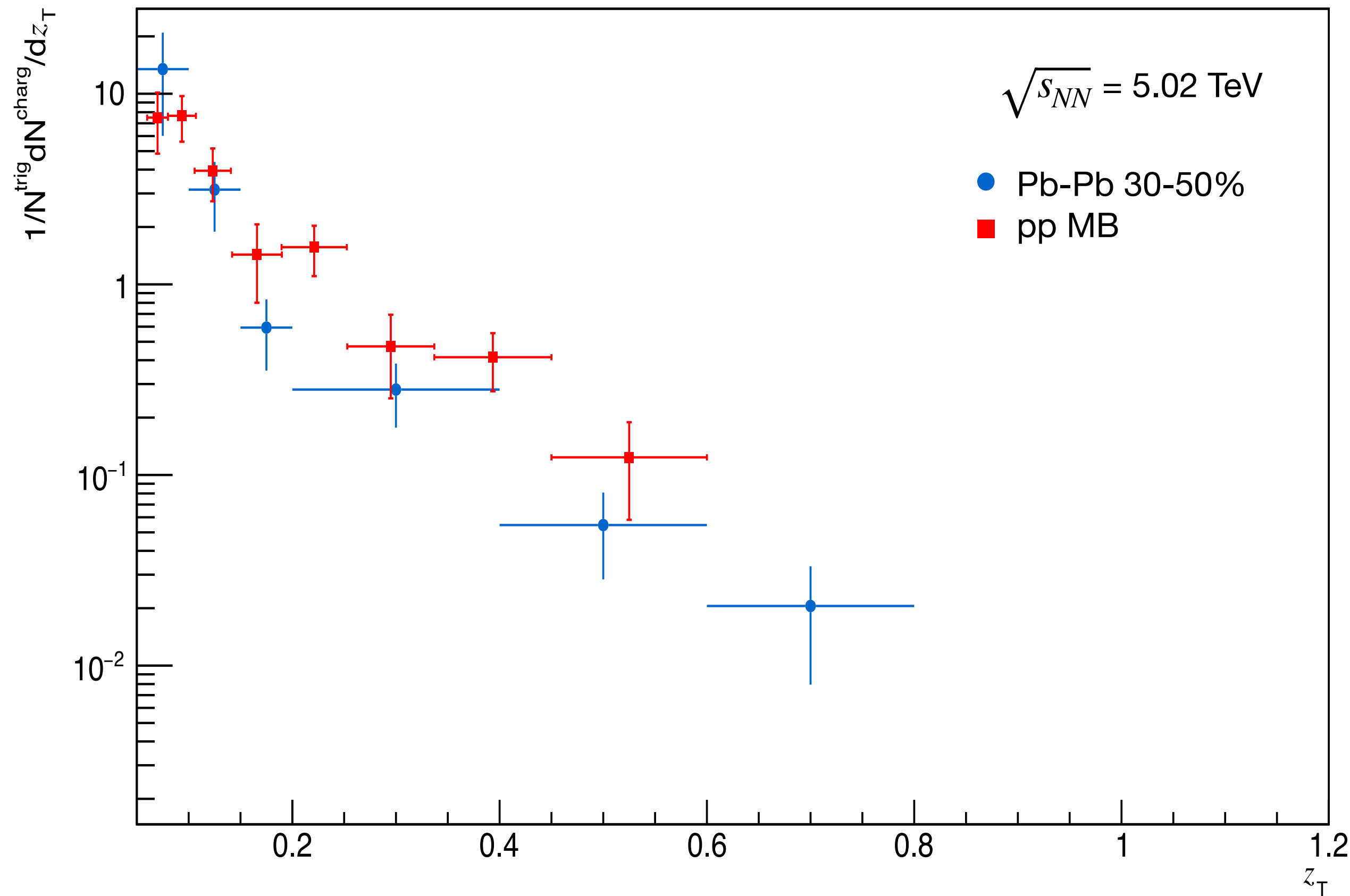
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- Integration of the area around the away-side peak ($2\pi/3 < \Delta\varphi < \pi$) for every z_T interval to obtain $1/N^{trig} dN^{ch}/dz_T$ distribution
- Apply Monte Carlo Correction to take into account detector effects

Evaluation of the z_T function

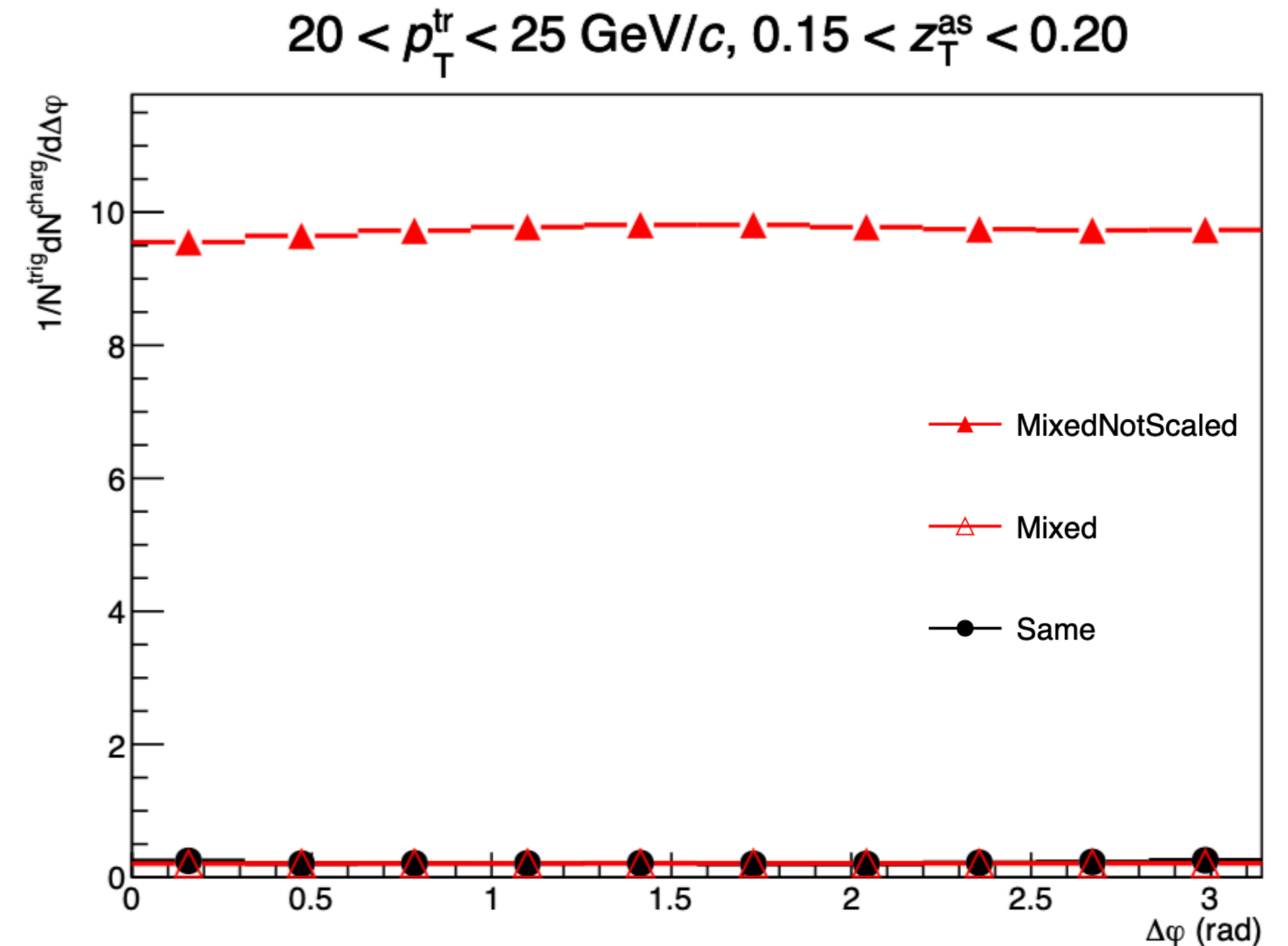
→ ALICE, arXiv:2005.14637



- After Monte Carlo correction, different p_T^{tr} bins are merged
- Visual Comparison with published pp results (Different cuts!)

Check Clusters for Same and Mixed event

- Difference between Mixed Event and Same event in correlation distribution functions:
Necessary to apply a scaling factor
Similar problem in isolated- γ jet correlations (Ref. [PWG-PAG JP 14/11/22](#) slide 12)
- In isolated γ -jet correlations found a discrepancy between cluster distribution for Mixed and Same



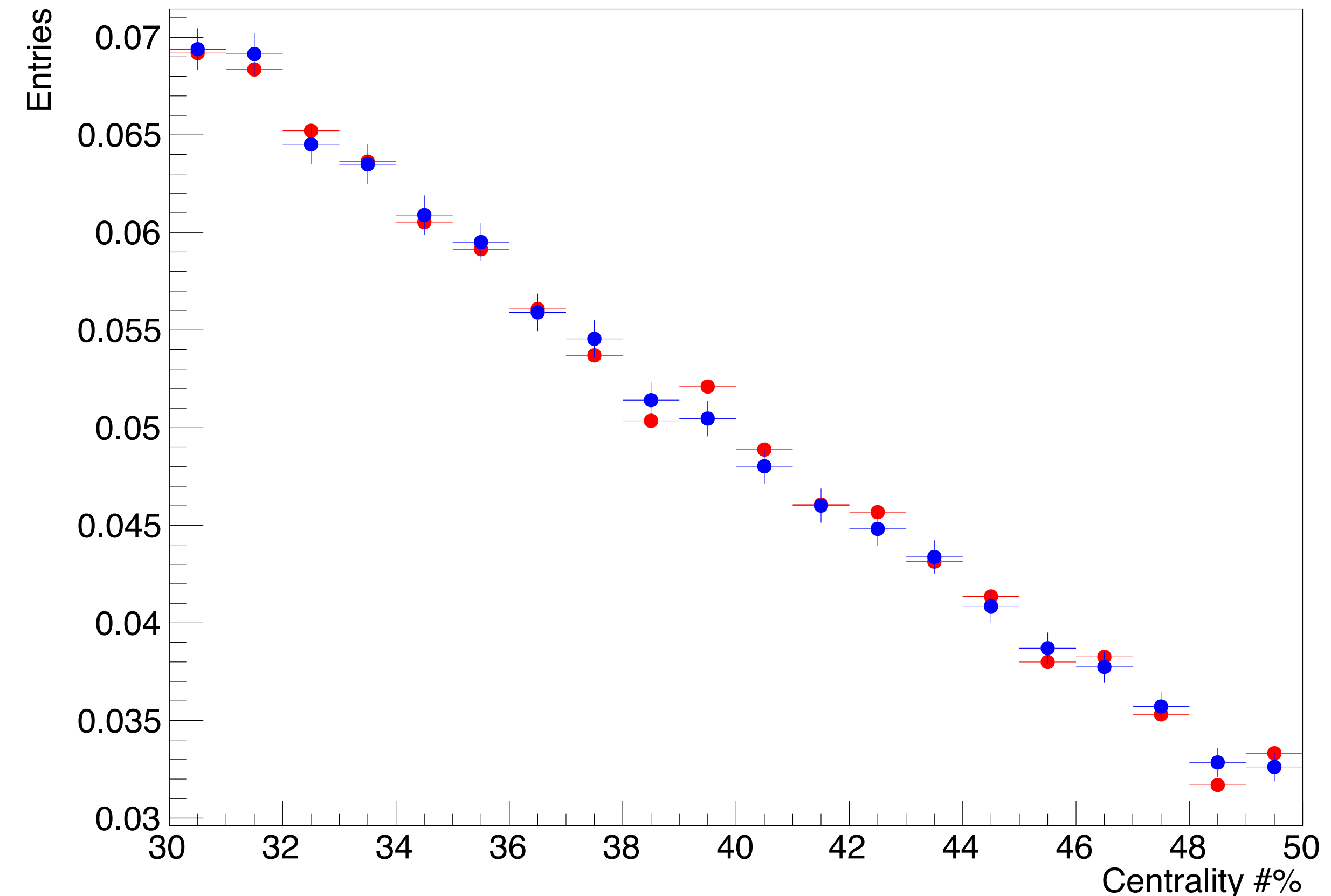
Mixed larger than Same

$$\text{Scaling factor} = \int_1^{\pi/2} \text{Same} / \int_1^{\pi/2} \text{Mix}$$

Check Clusters for Same and Mixed event

Cent 30 - 50

- Similar problem in isolated γ -jet correlations
(Ref. [PWG-PAG JP 14/11/22](#) slide 12)
- In isolated γ -jet correlations found a discrepancy between cluster distribution for Mixed and Same
- Check cluster distributions (before correlations) for Same and Mixed for all centralities



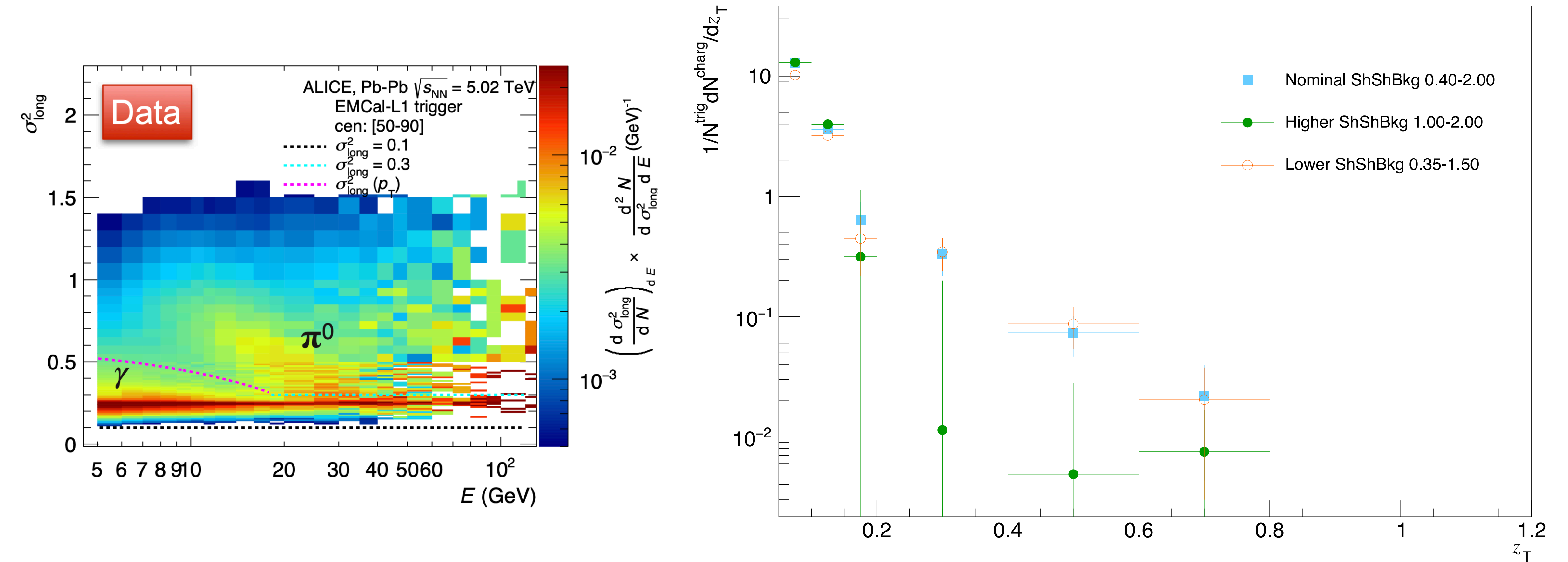
Same and Mixed clusters distribution agreed

Systematics

Systematic uncertainties for most sources are estimated using mostly cut variations

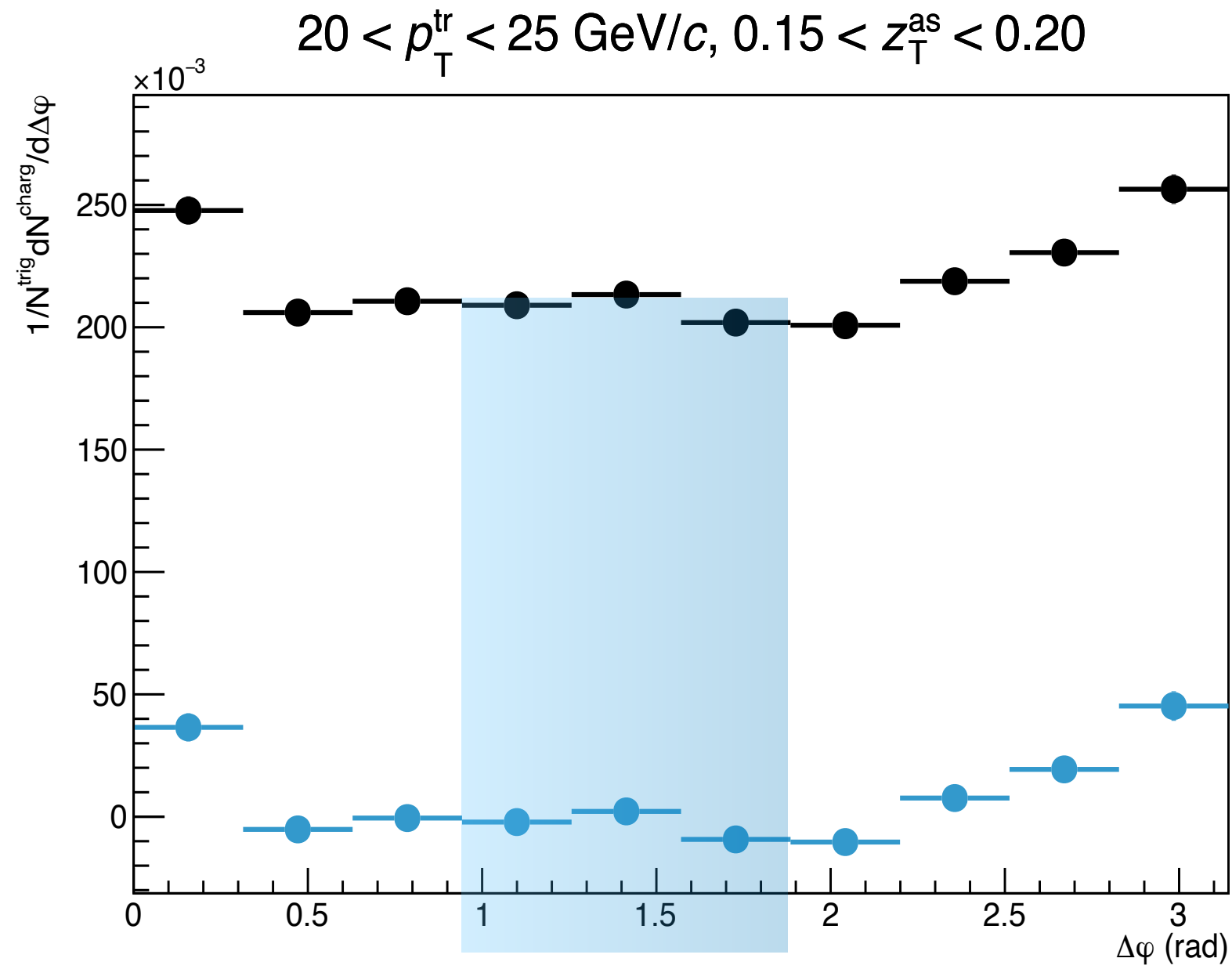
- UE estimation uncertainty (ongoing)
- Background σ_{long}^2 selection (ongoing)
- Purity
- Δ Centrality cut when pairing events for mixing
- Tracking Performance
- Luminosity
- Trigger
- Photon and vertex reconstruction
- Photon energy scale

Systematics: Background σ_{long}^2 selection



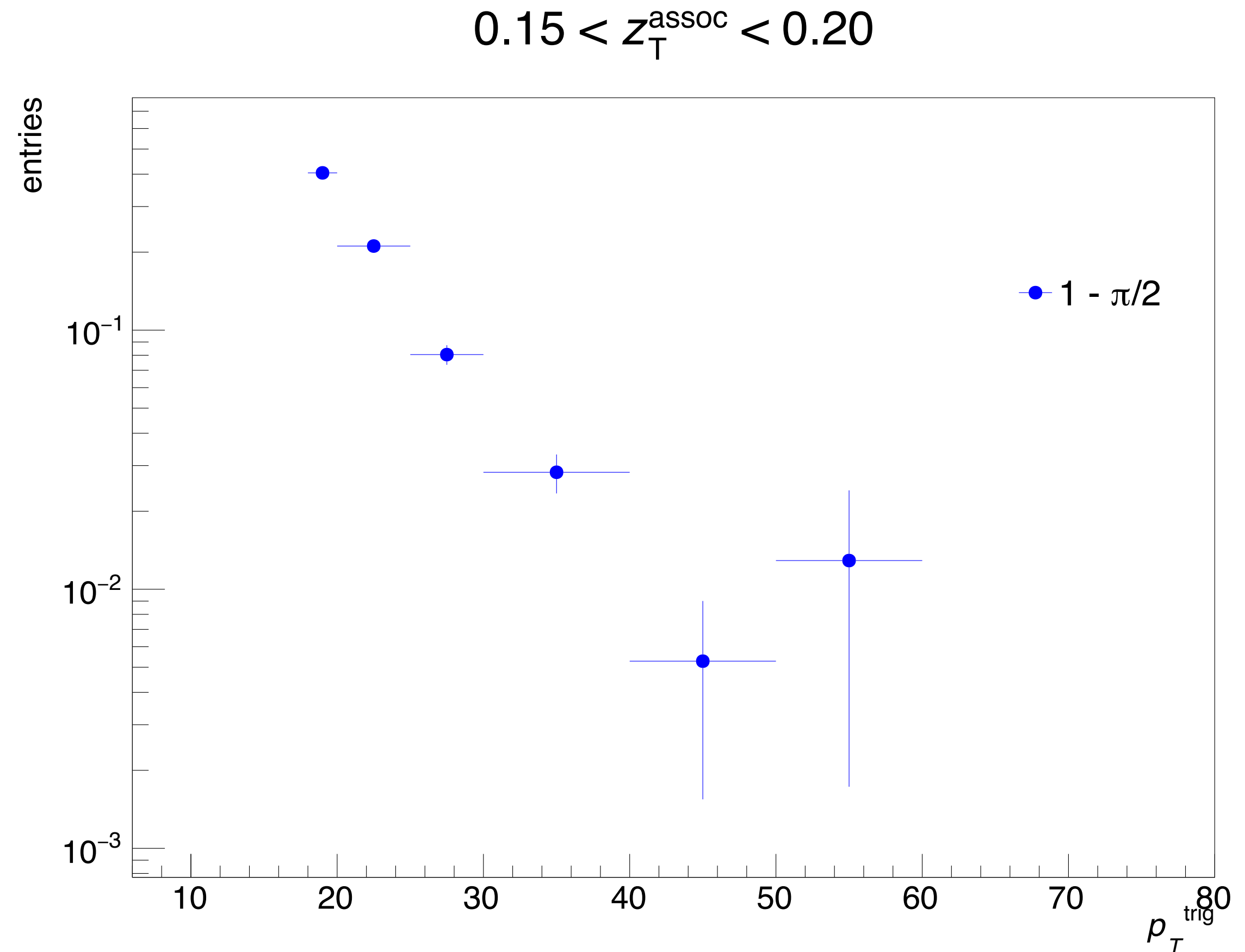
- **ShShBkg 1.00-2.00**: not good description of cluster_{wide}^{iso} (π^0)
- **ShShBkg 0.35-1.50** : similar to the nominal one
- Test other shower shape for π^0

Systematics: UE estimation uncertainty (ZYAM)



For every p_T^{tr} bin and every $z_T = p_T^{hadr}/p_T^\gamma$ bin:

- Evaluated the Integral for applying ZYAM and its error



- Combined all the p_T^{tr} bins

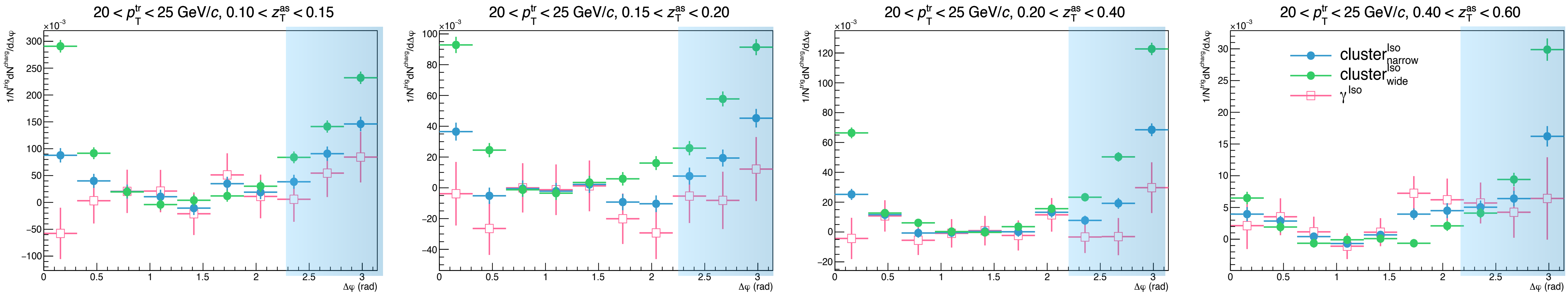
To do list

- Systematics:
 - “Final” plots for UE systematic
 - Background σ_{long}^2 selection (different cuts)
 - Vary Δ Centrality cut when pairing events for mixing
 - ...
- Redo analysis with JJlow MC
- Rerun pp analysis to make feasible a comparison

Thank you for the attention!

Evaluation of the z_T function

Cent: 30-50%, $20 < p_T^{tr} < 25$ GeV/c, Isolation ON, $0.1 < \sigma_{long}^2 < 0.3$



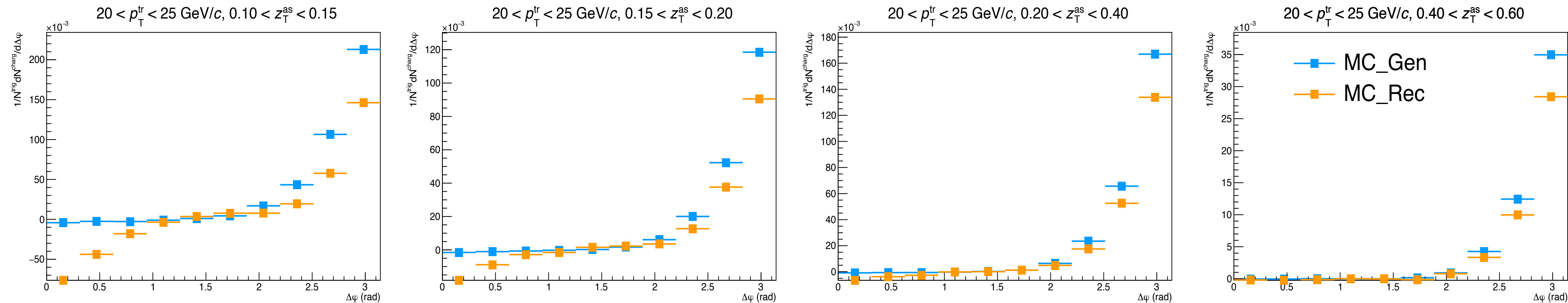
- $z_T = p_T^{hadr}/p_T^\gamma$ distribution allows to *access to the parton fragmentation*
- Integration of the area around the away-side peak ($2\pi/3 < \Delta\varphi < \pi$) for every z_T interval to obtain $1/N^{trig} dN^{ch}/dz_T$ distribution

Efficiency Correction

Generated: pure MC of γ^{iso} and of γ^{iso} –hadron correlations

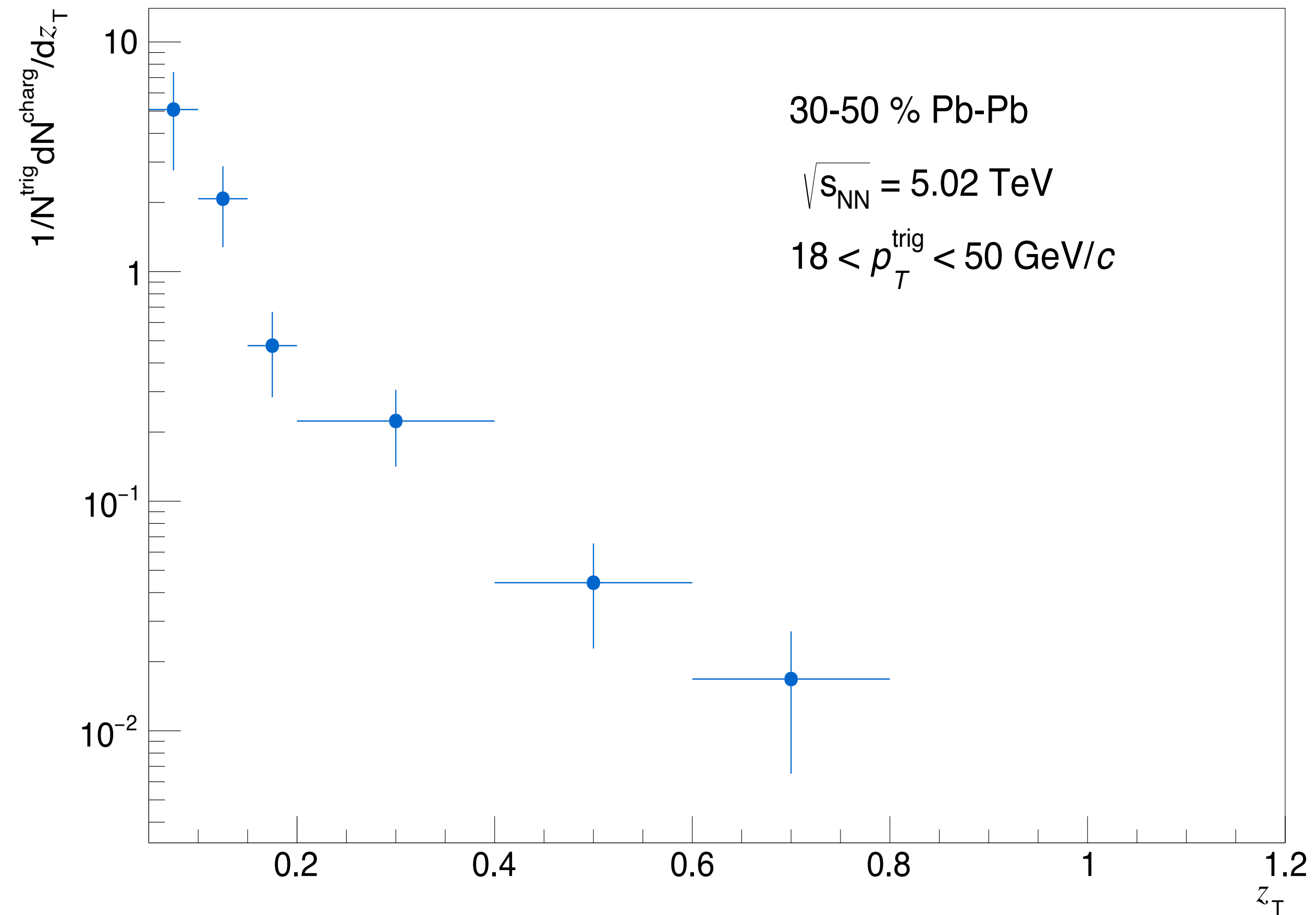
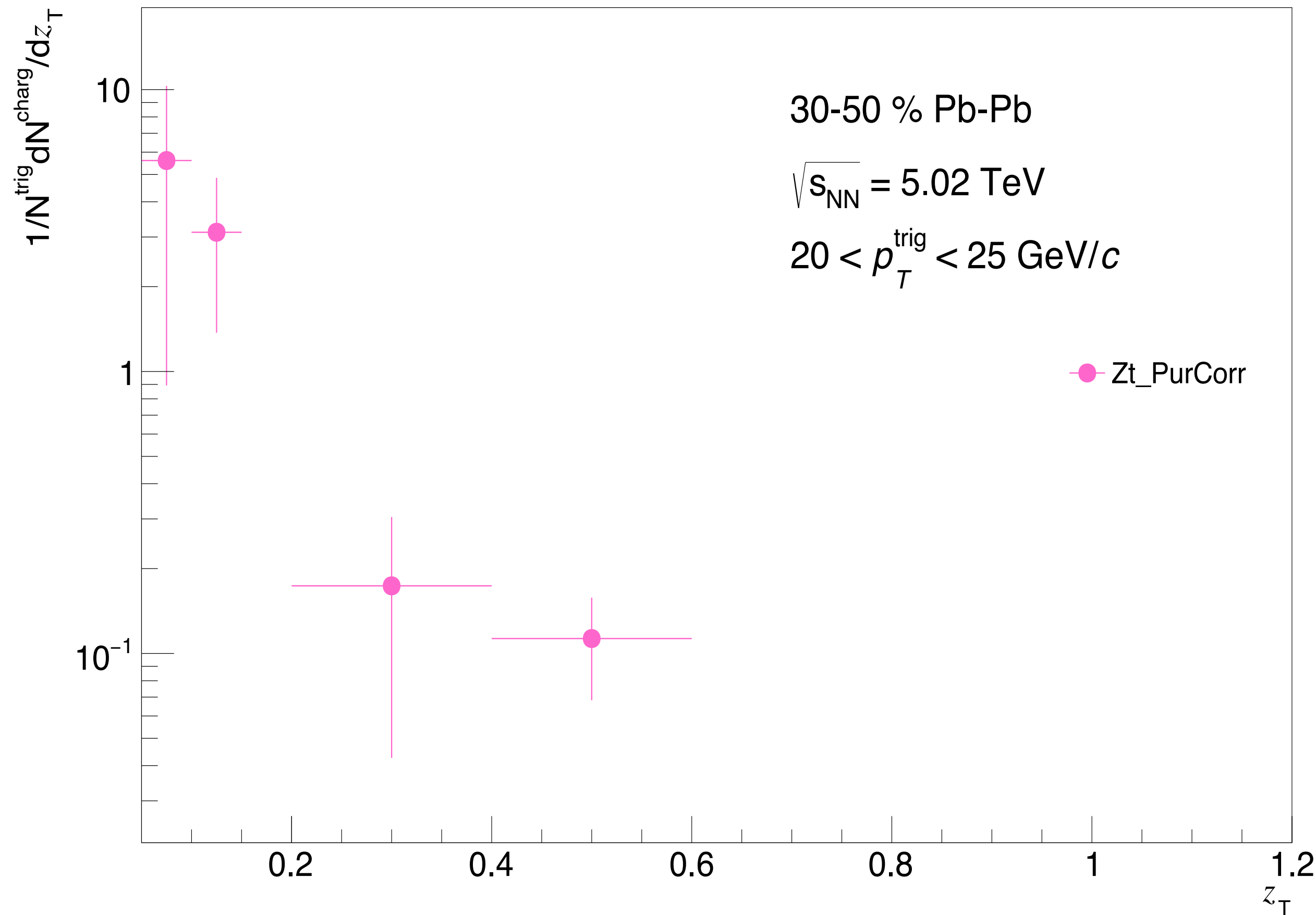
Reconstructed: *embedding* of MinimumBias (MB) data + pure MC

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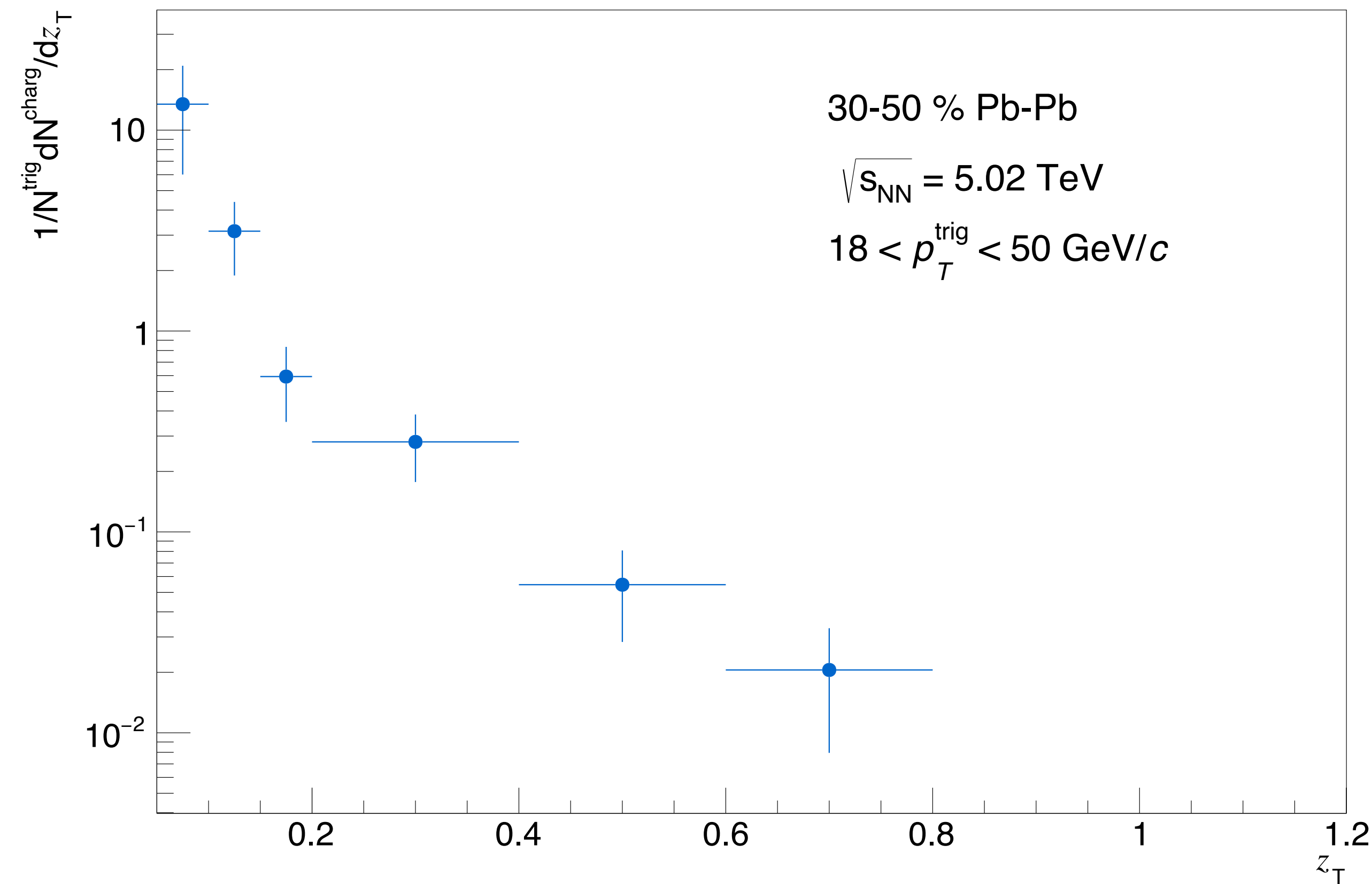
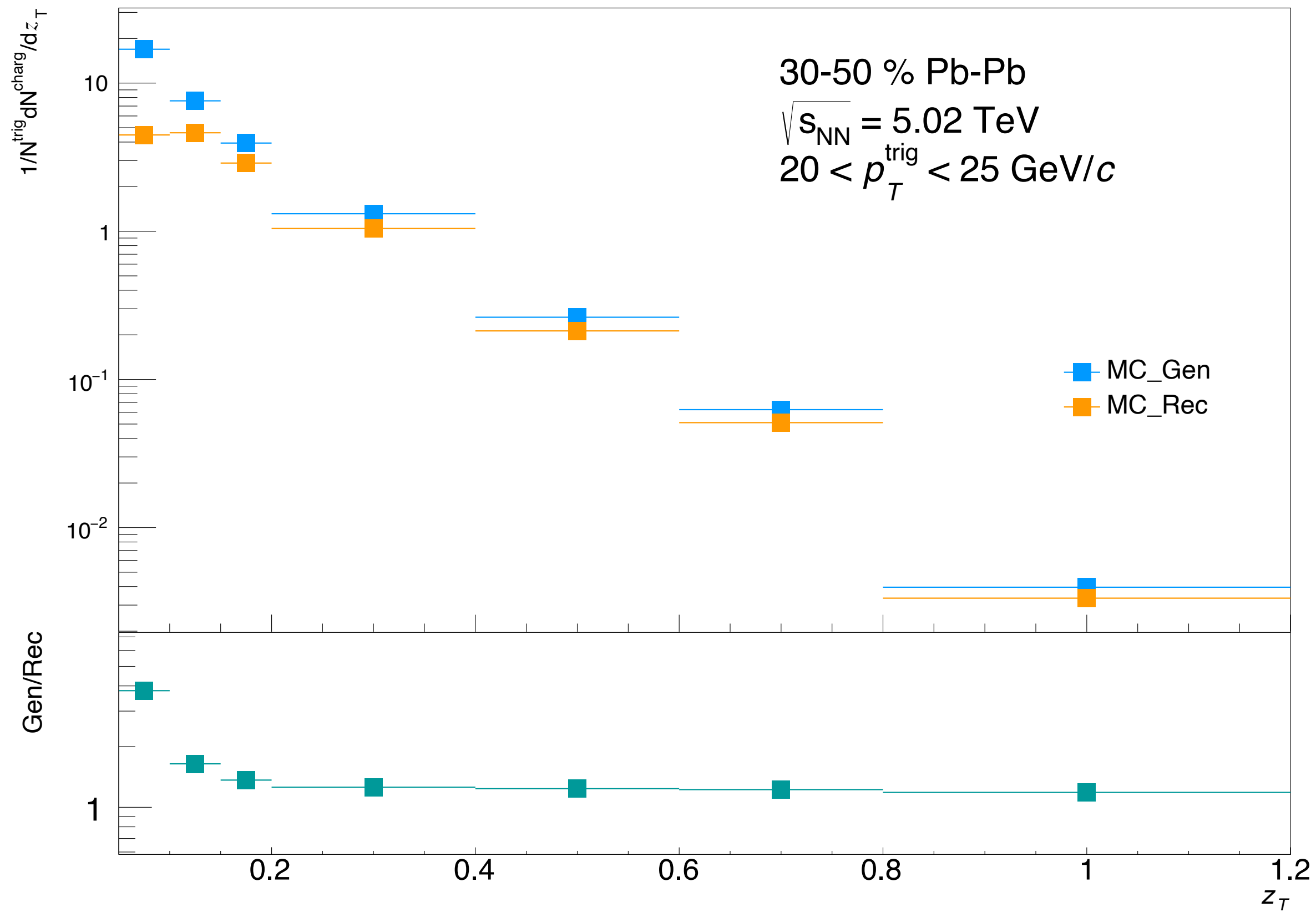
- The negative values around 0 are related to the isolation
- As before, the integration of the away-side peak is applied to obtain the z_T function

Evaluation of the z_T function



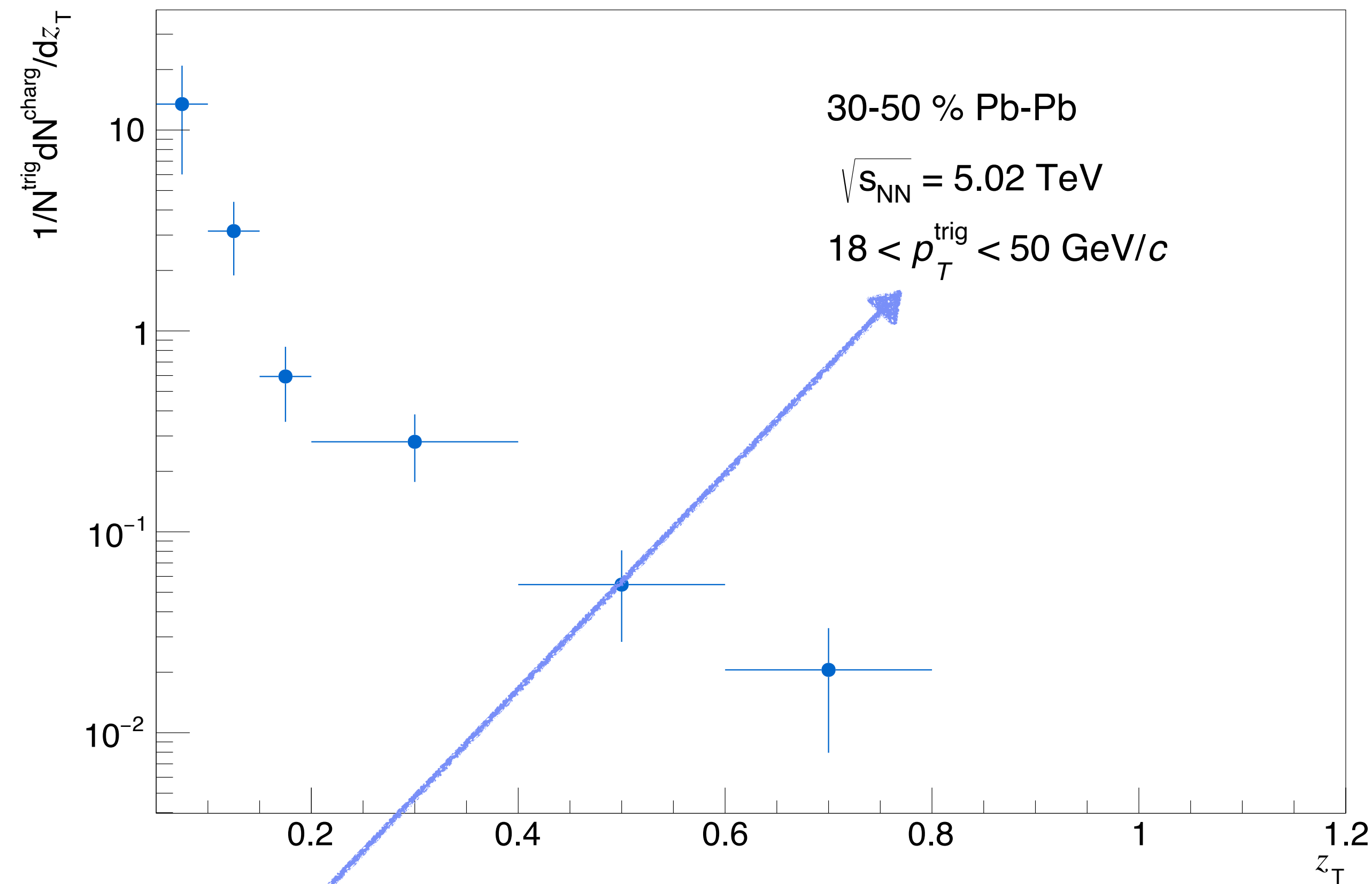
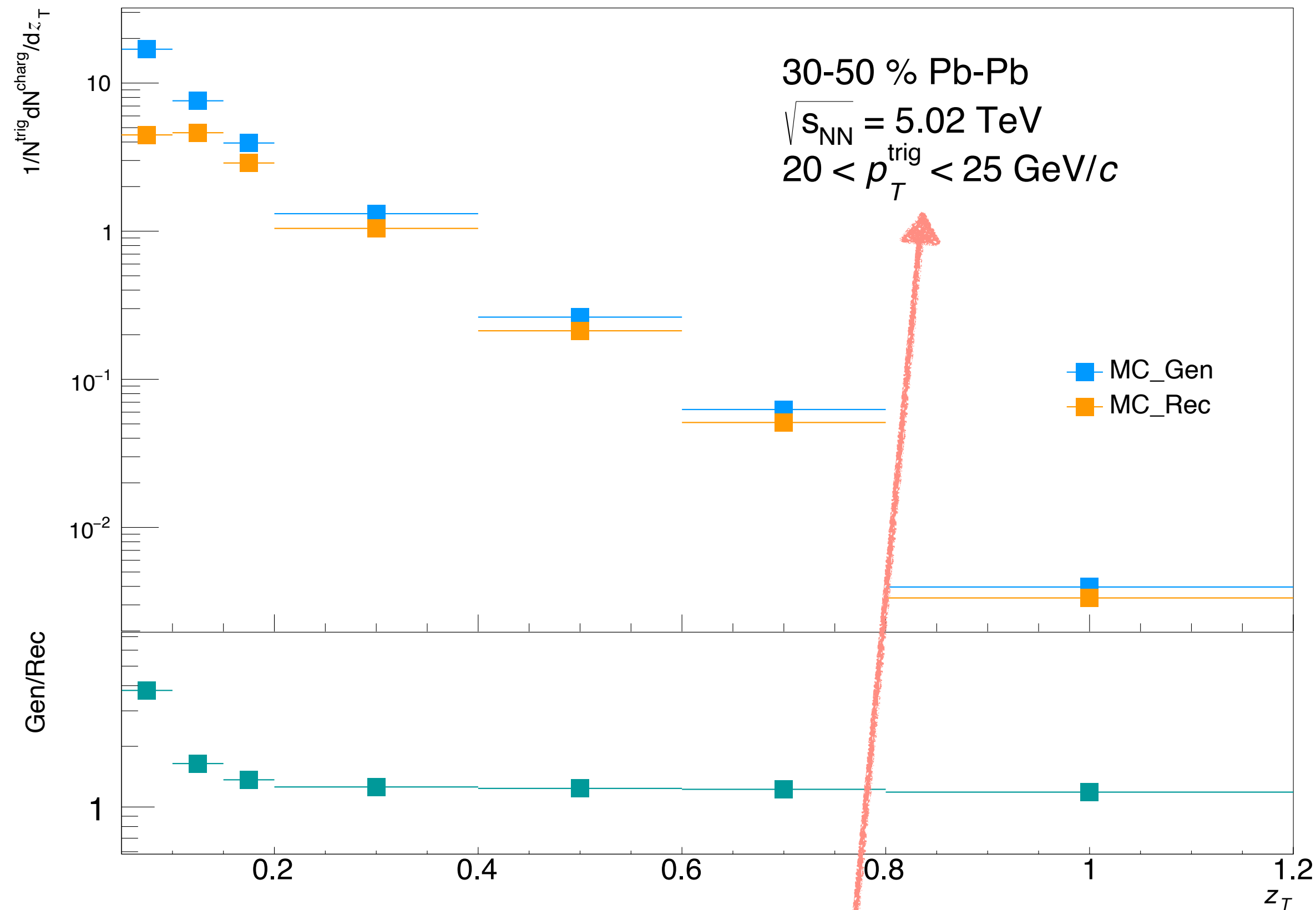
- Clearly lack of statistic. To improve necessary to combine different p_T^{trig} bins
- Next step: **efficiency correction** to take into account detector effects
- How? Monte Carlo dataset: ideally generation and reconstruction of γ^{iso}

Efficiency correction of the z_T function



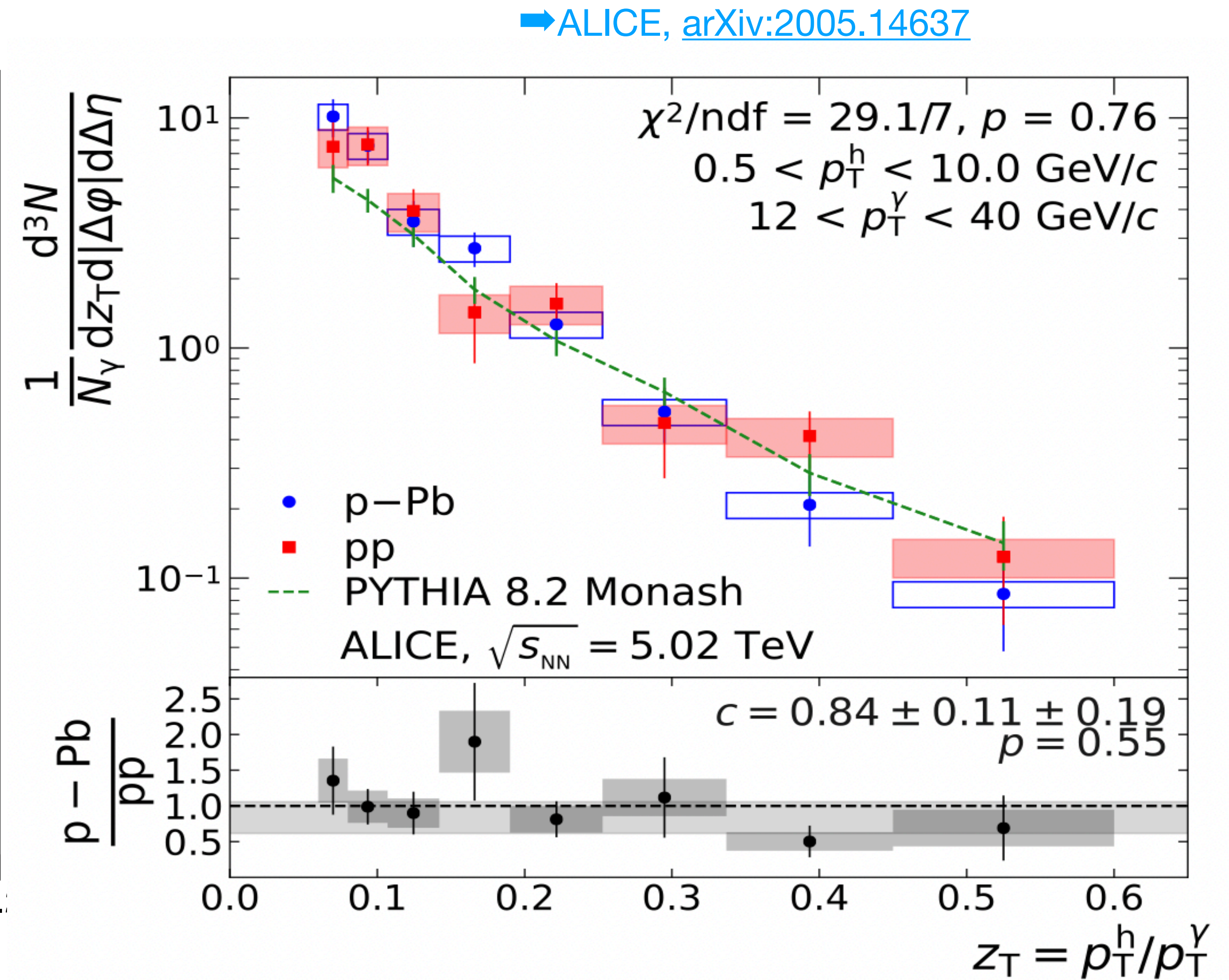
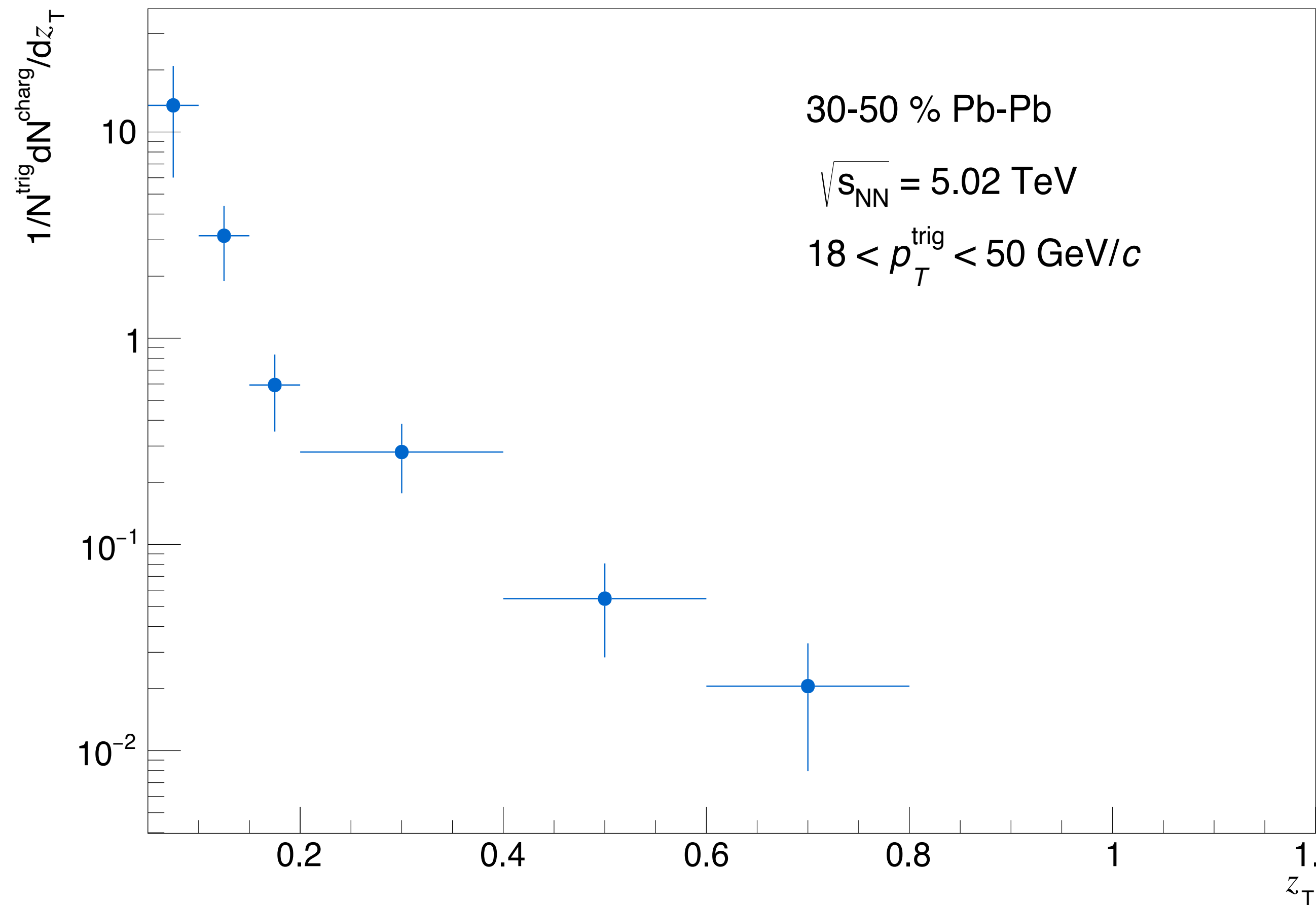
- The z_T function is multiplied by the correction factor (Gen/Rec) → Detector effects taken into account
- Corrections for every p_T^{trig} bin, then different p_T^{trig} bins are merged!

Efficiency correction of the z_T function



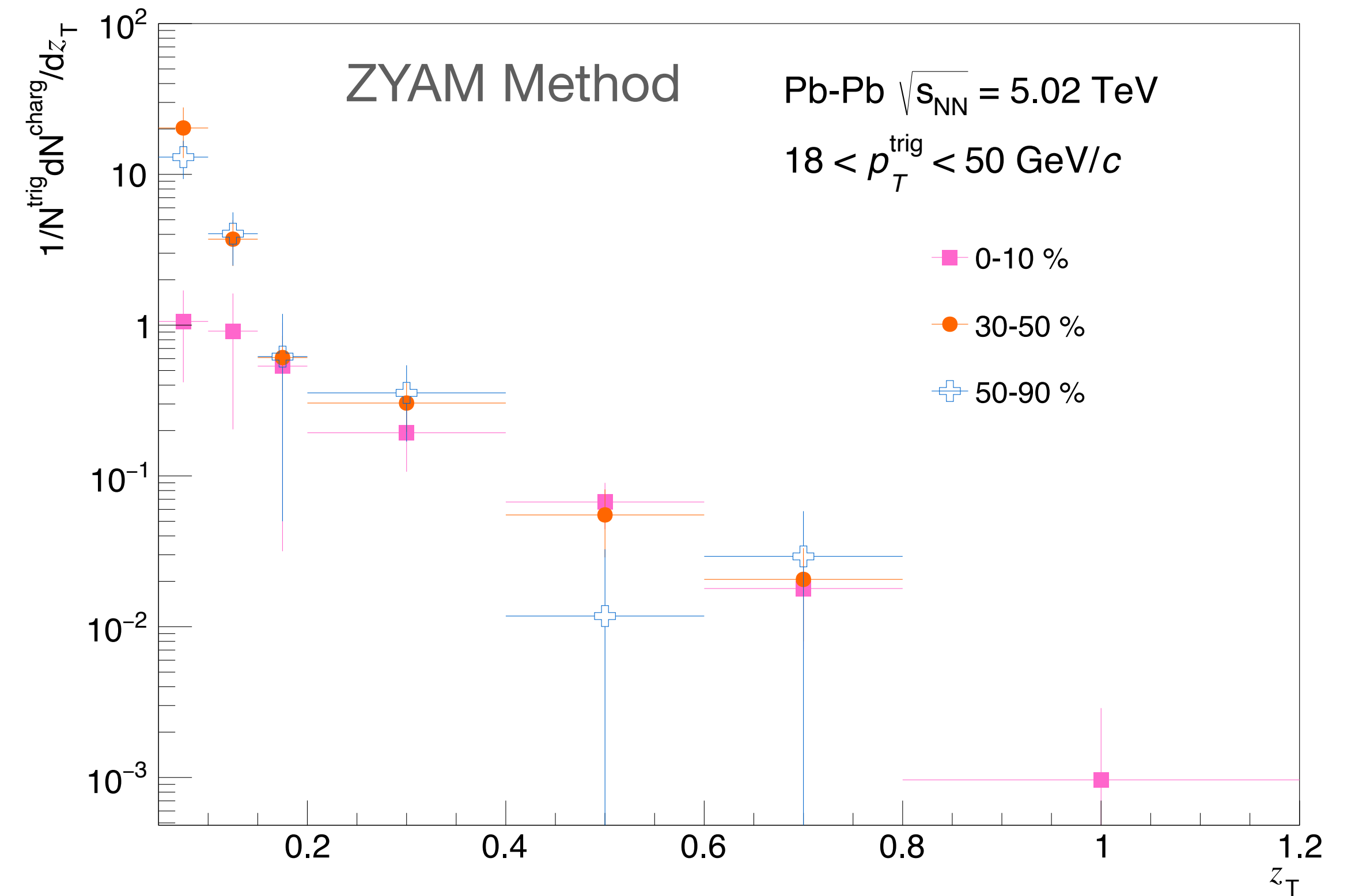
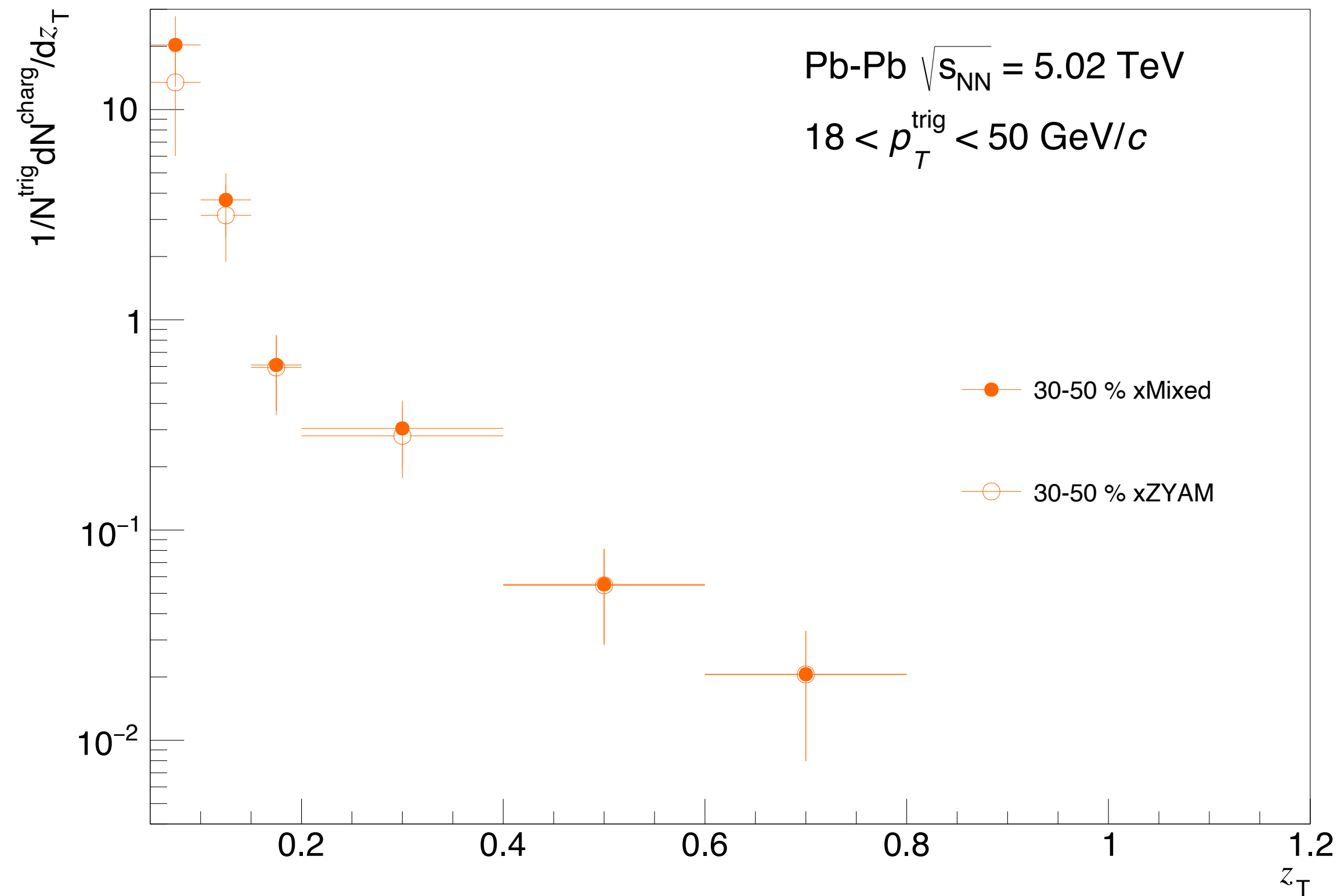
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Evaluation of the z_T function



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- Comparison with published pp and p-Pb results

z_T function for different methods and centralities

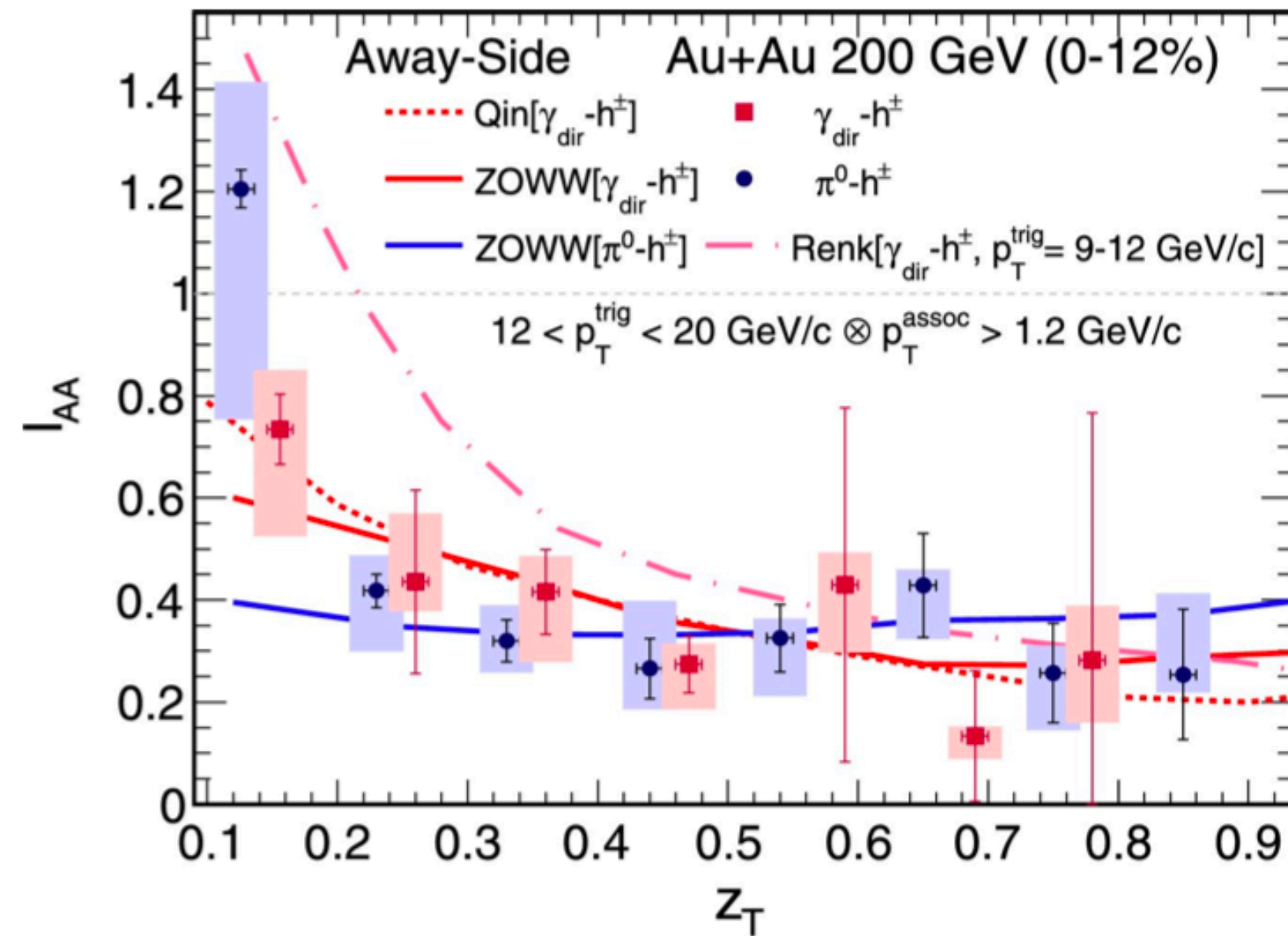


- The two methods are compatible.
- With the mixed event the error bars are a bit reduced.
- Still necessary to investigate the comparison with the different centralities

Backup

γ -hadron correlations

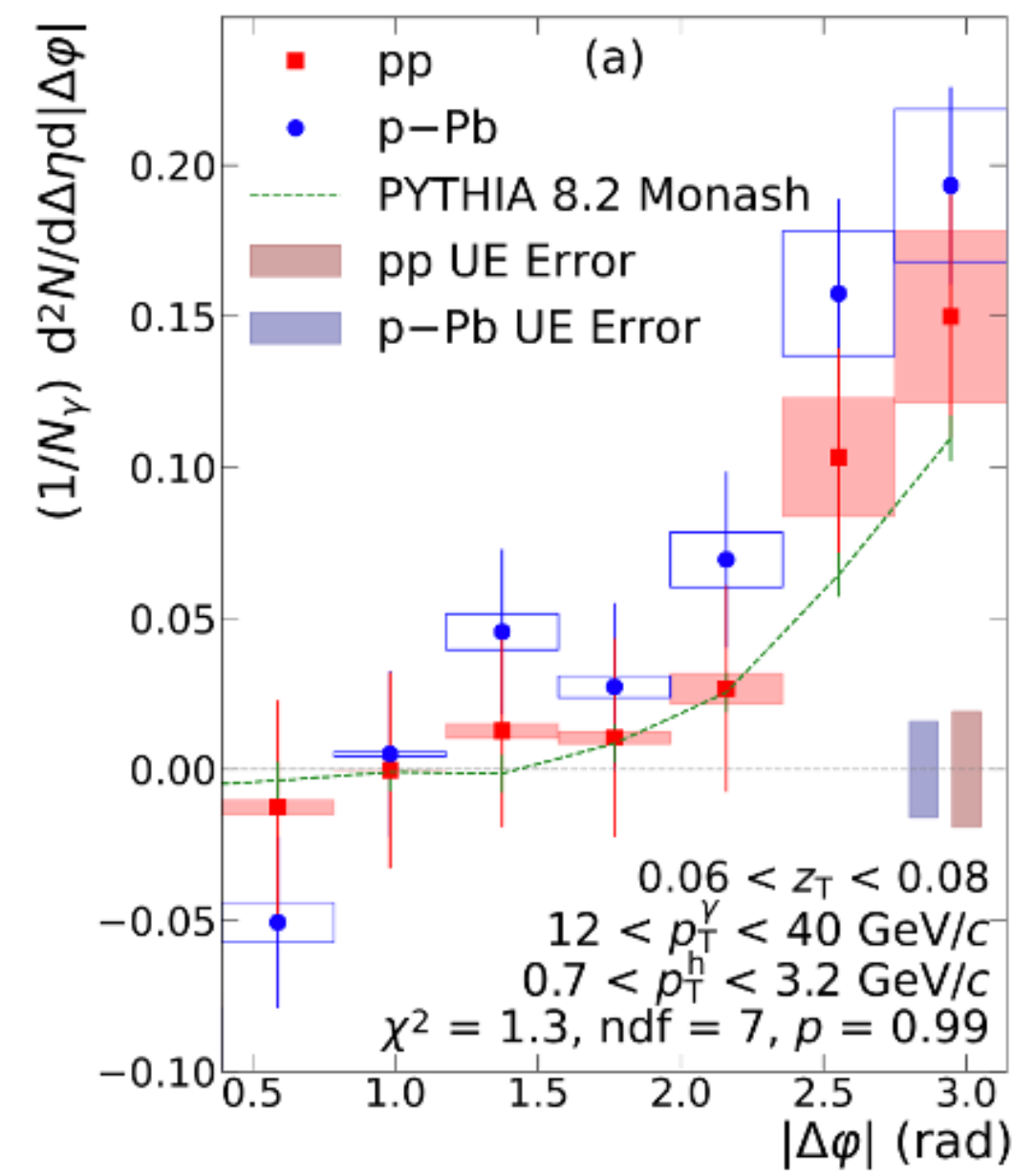
$$\Delta\varphi = (\varphi^\gamma - \varphi^{hadr}), \quad z_T = p_T^{hadr}/p_T^\gamma \quad \xi_T = \ln(1/z_T)$$



➔ [STAR, 2016, arXiv:1610.09568](#)

From $z_T > 0.2$

Hadrons suppressed in Au-Au wrt pp

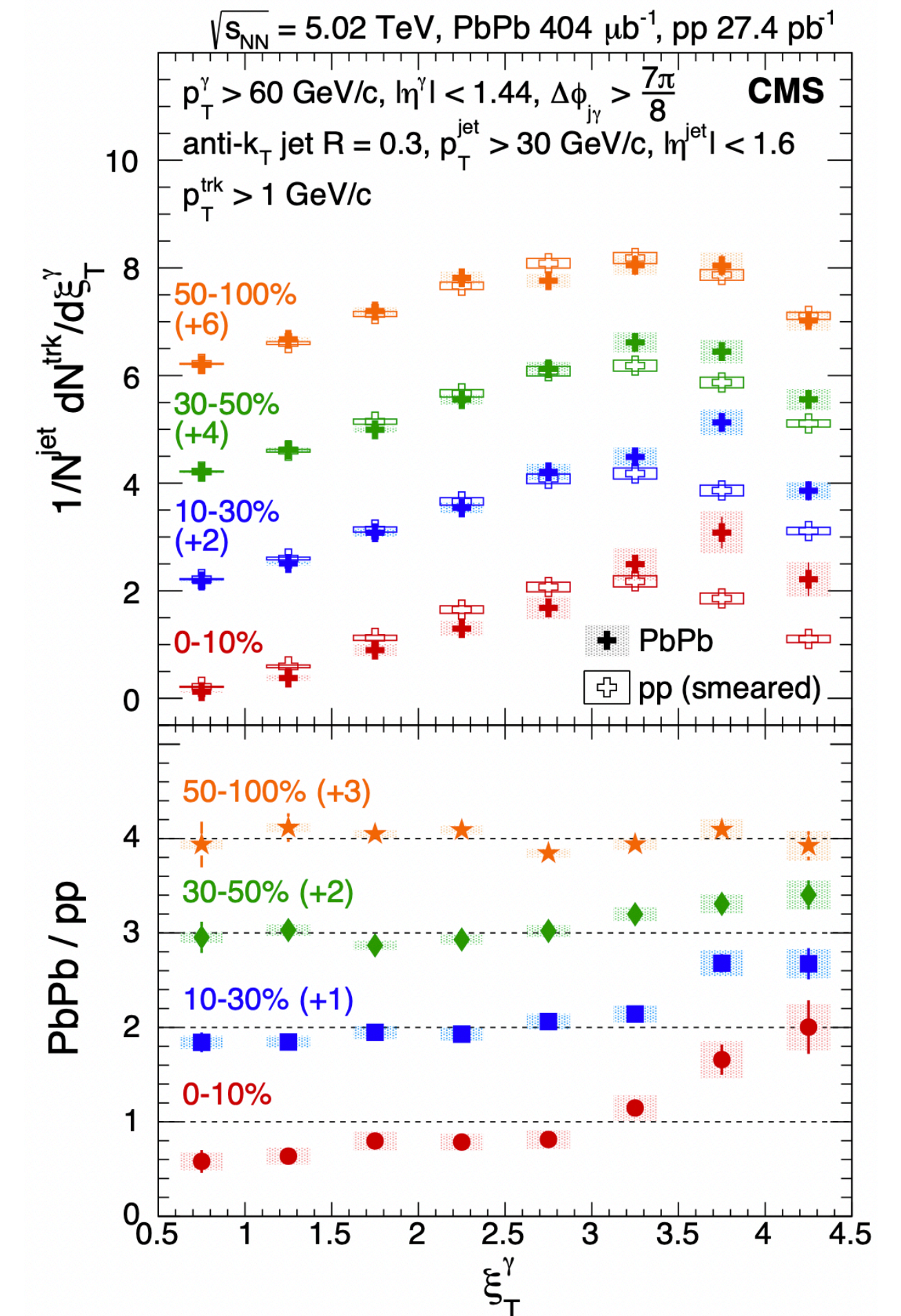


➔ [ALICE, 2020, arXiv:2005.14637](#)

In pp and p-Pb

Compatible

No modification,
same behaviour



➔ [CMS, 2018, arXiv:1801.04895](#)

Depletion of high p_T particles

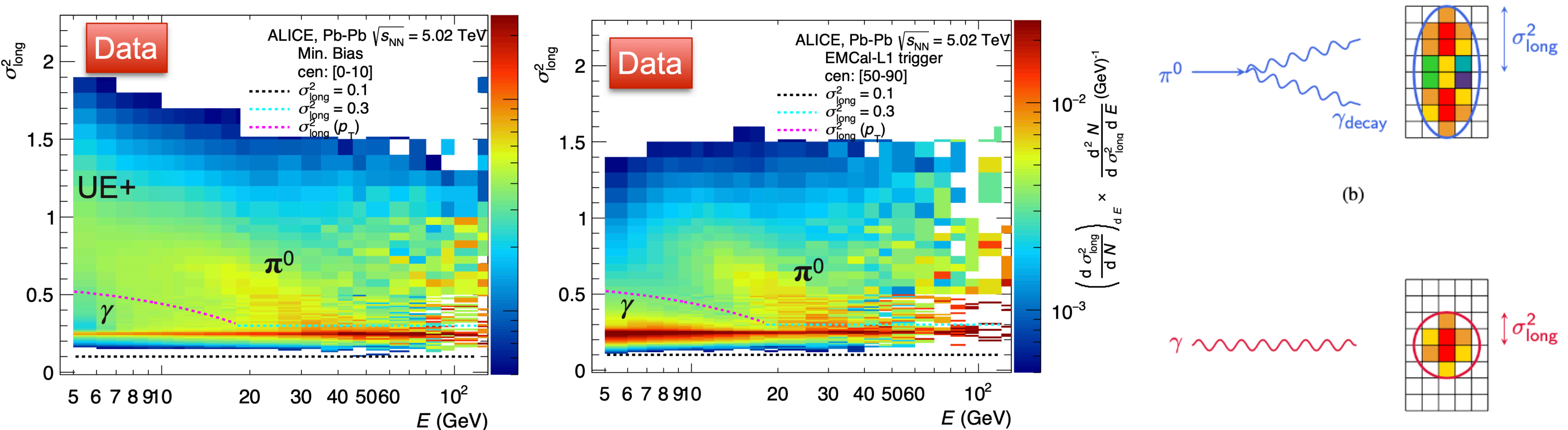
Enhancement of low p_T ones

Candidate isolated photons

The neutral cluster samples are a mixture of neutral particles.

Photon discrimination with elliptical parametrization: evaluate dispersion of the EM shower.

The semi-major axis σ_{long}^2 allows to feature the *type* of photon.

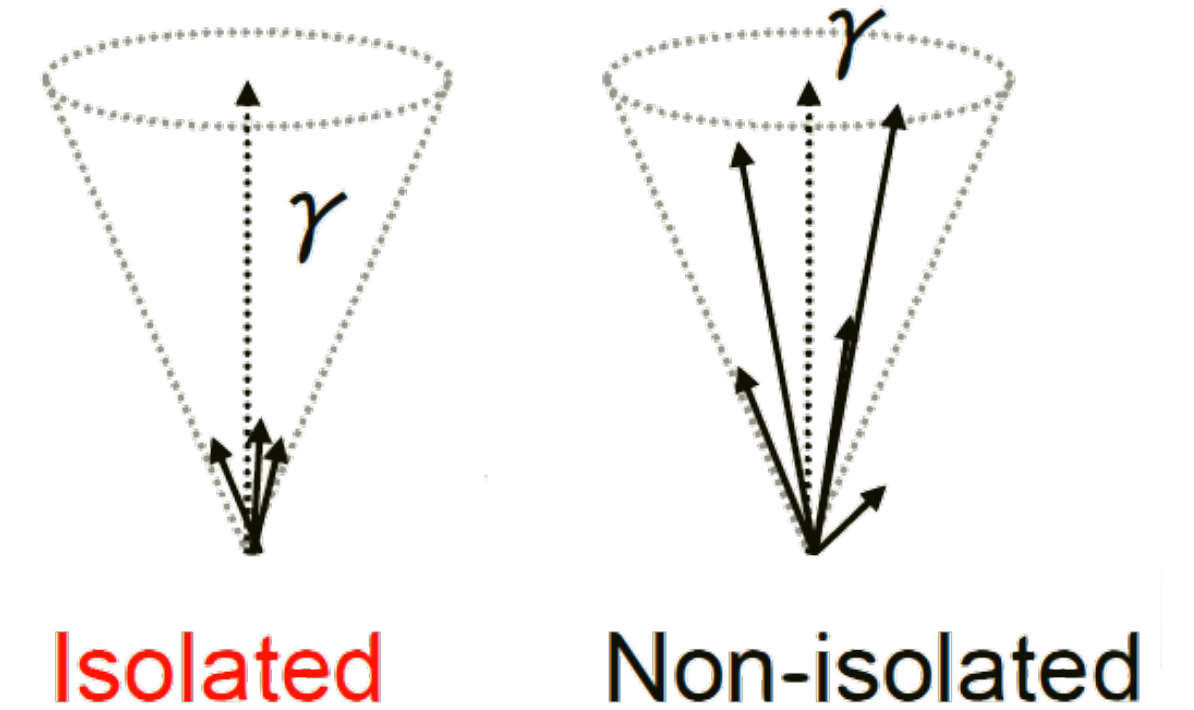


Isolation method and UE subtraction

Goal: isolate direct photons and reject the largest part of non direct photons

Cone radius around a candidate photon at $(\eta_\gamma, \varphi_\gamma)$:

$$R_{cone} = \sqrt{(\eta - \eta_\gamma)^2 + (\varphi - \varphi_\gamma)^2}$$



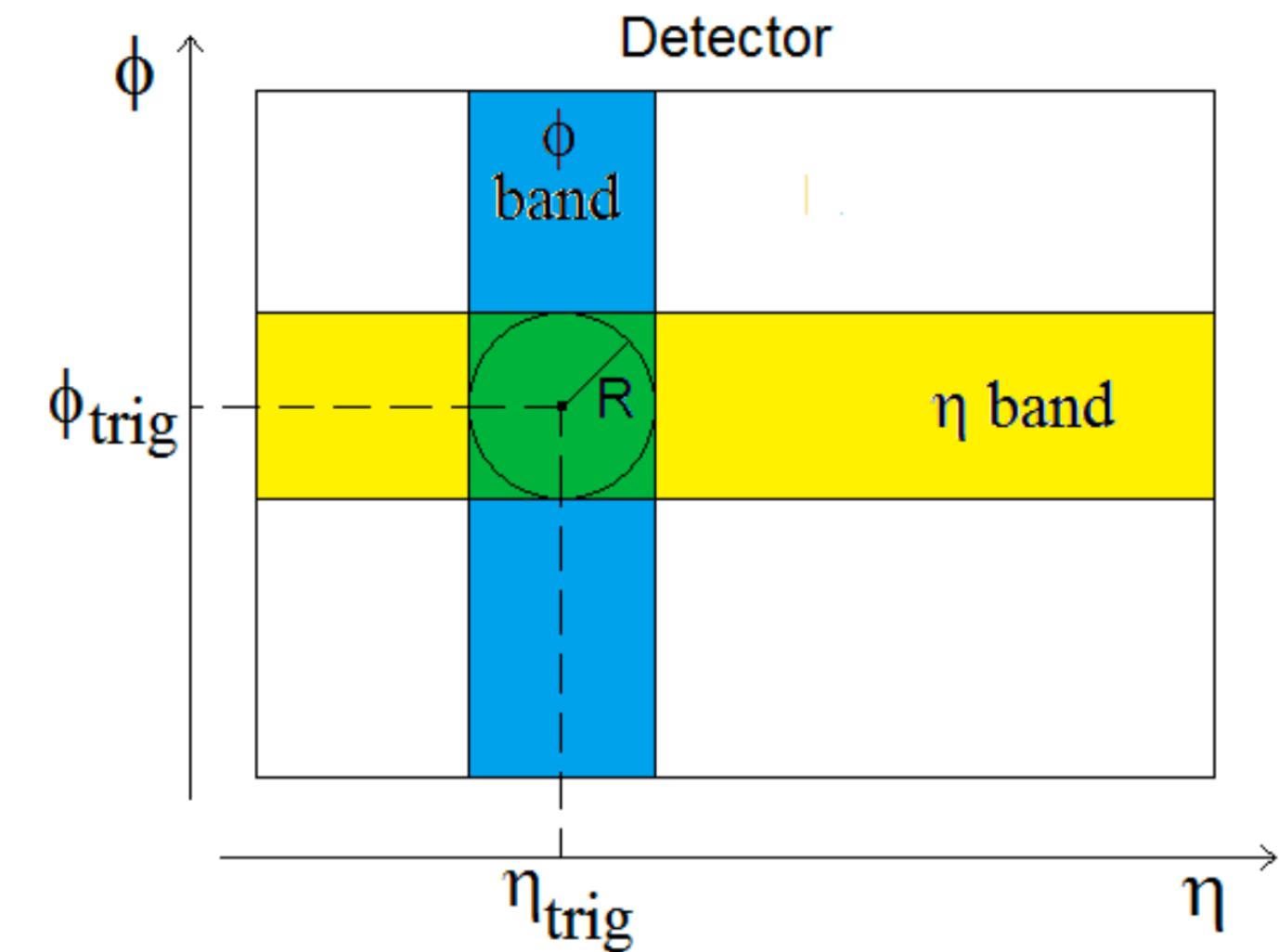
In Pb-Pb high multiplicity in final state $\rightarrow$ subtracting the UE

How? METHOD η - φ bands

The contribution of the UE in the cone is $\sim (\sum p_T^{iso})_{UE} \cdot A_{cone}$

It's removed from the total transverse momentum in the cone

The final condition on p_T that defines a isolated γ is :



$$\sum_{cone} p_T^{iso} - \left(\sum_{UE} p_T^{iso} \right)_{in\ cone} = p_T^{iso} < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$$

Purity: ABCD method

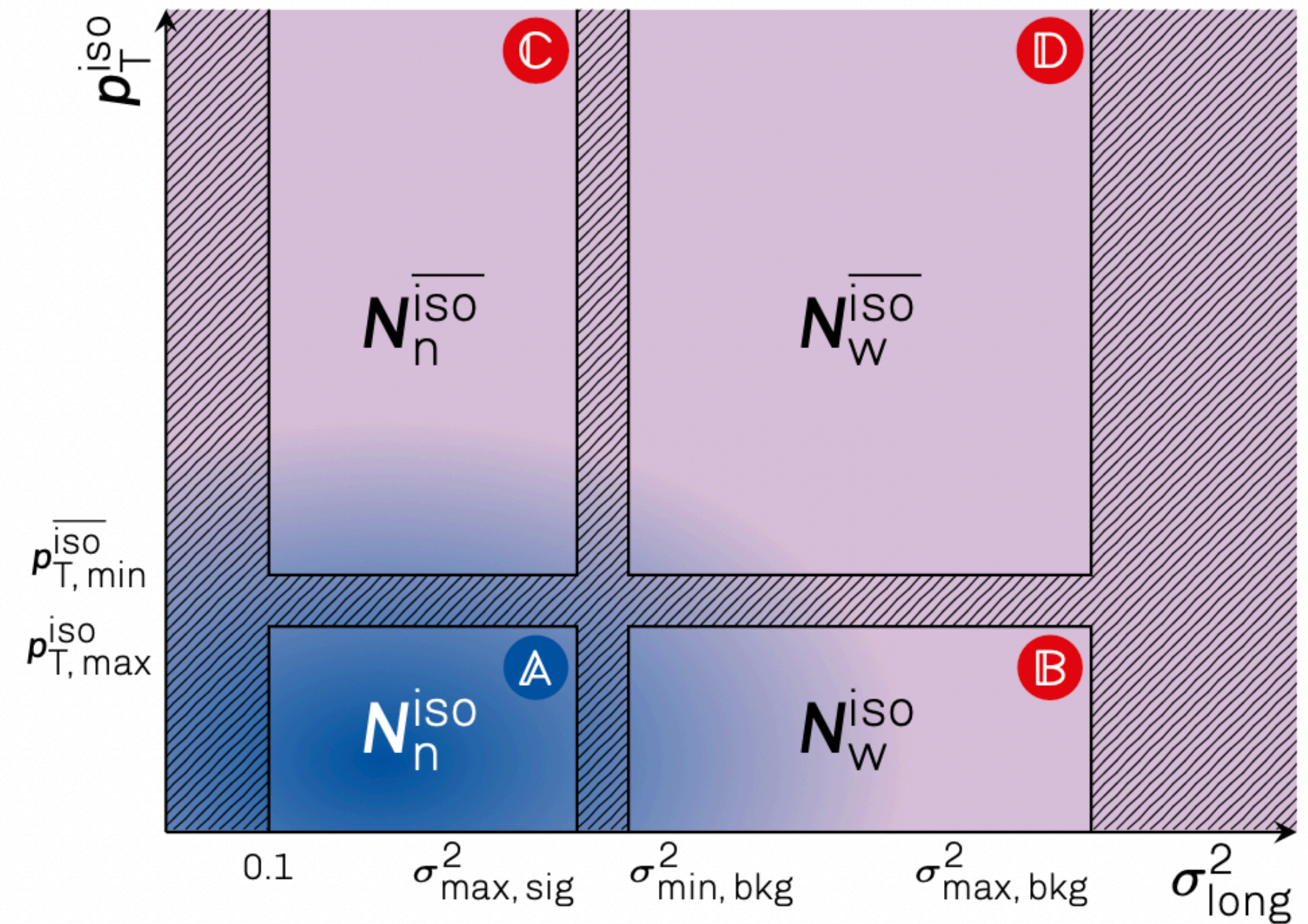
Divide clusters σ_{long}^2 - isolation energy plane into 4 regions ABCD

- A : signal dominated region
- B, C and D : background dominated regions

$$N = S + B = \gamma_{direct} \text{ signal} + \text{background}$$

- *purity* = S/N in A region

$$purity = \underbrace{1 - \left(\frac{N_n^{iso} / N_n}{N_w^{iso} / N_w} \right)_{data}}_{\text{Data-driven purity}} \times \underbrace{\left(\frac{B_n^{iso} / N_n}{N_w^{iso} / N_w} \right)_{MC}}_{\text{MC correction factor}}$$



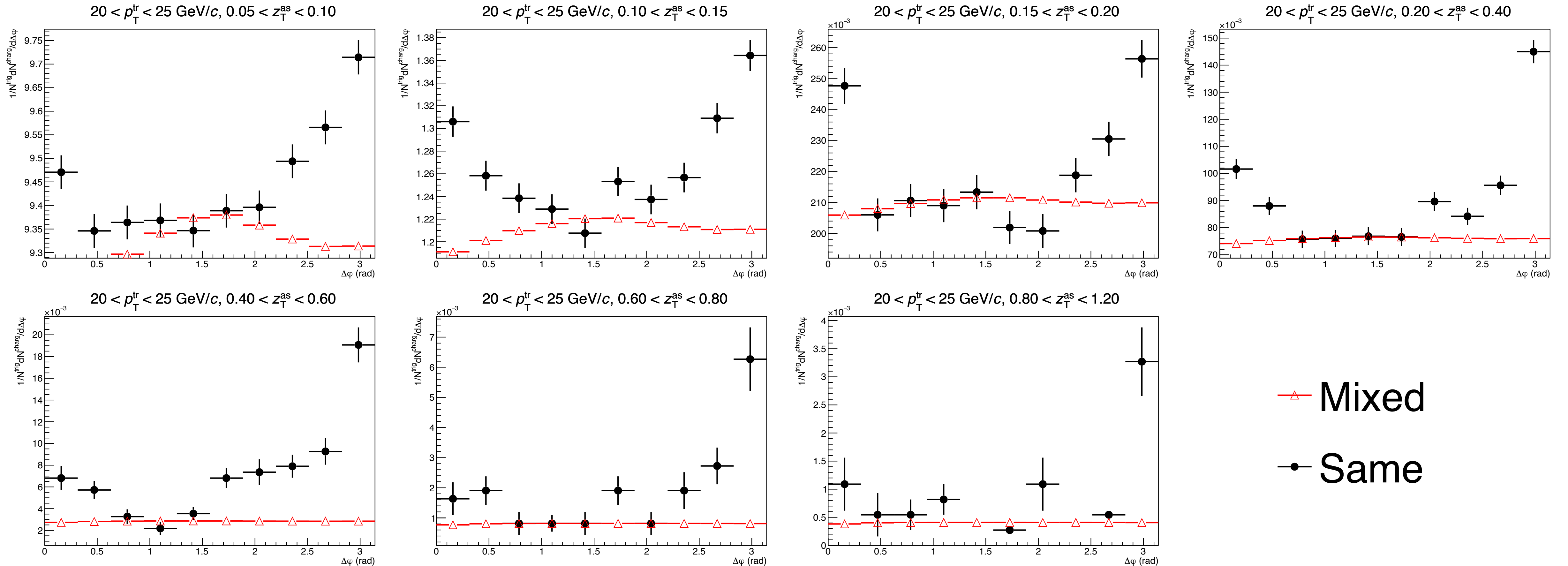
Corrections due to:

B isolation fraction depends on the circularity

S not contained only in A, it spreads over B, C and D regions

UE subtraction, method 1: Mixed Event

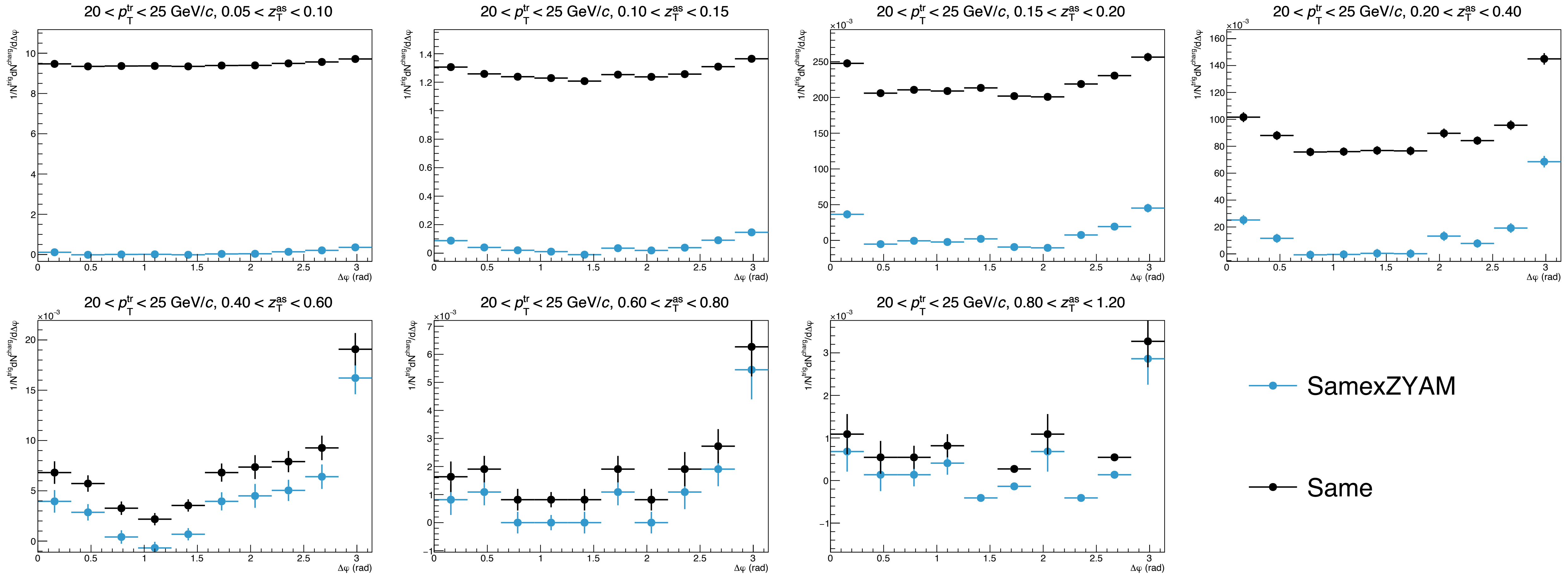
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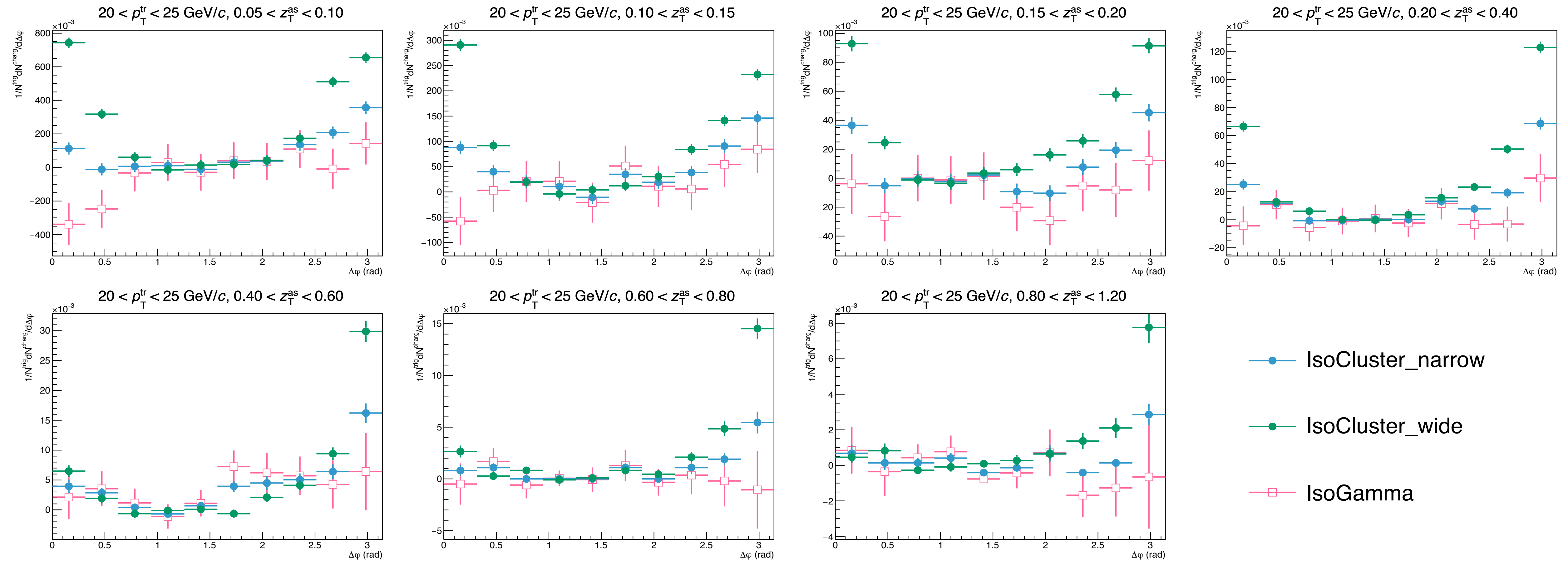


- ZYAM method works!
- It doesn't modify the distributions, but it emerges the predominance of the UE

Purity Correction

$$\text{IsoGamma} = \frac{\text{IsoCluster_narrow} - (1 - p) \text{IsoCluster_wide}}{p}$$

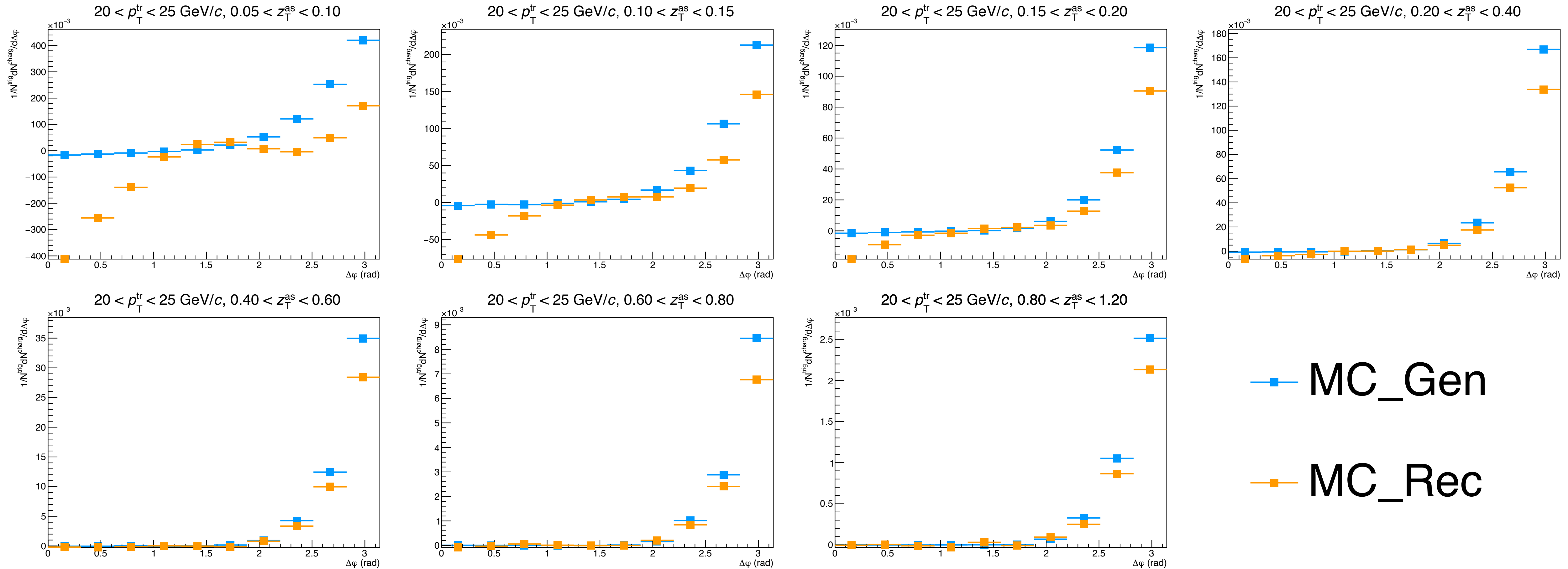
Cent: 30-50%, Isolation ON



- High π^0 contamination, effect on the γ^{iso} azimuthal distribution

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