

KaonLT Meeting

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$$\sigma_L = (p_1 \cdot f_t) \cdot e^{-p_2|t|}$$

$$\sigma_T = \frac{p_5}{|t|^{p_6}}$$

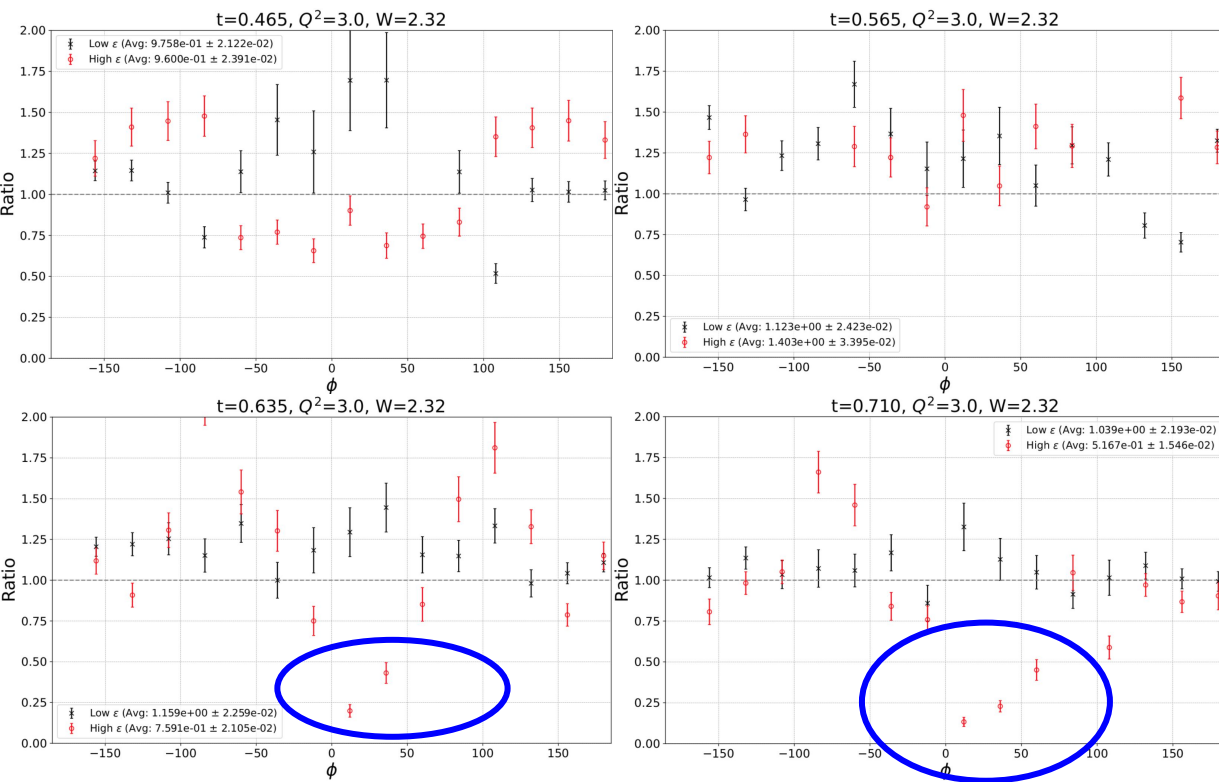
$$\sigma_{LT} = p_9 \cdot e^{-p_{10}|t|} \sin \theta$$

$$\sigma_{TT} = \frac{p_{13}}{|t|^{p_{14}}} \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\omega(W) = \frac{1}{(W^2-M^2)^{0.85 \cdot W_c^2-5.97 \cdot W_c+12.68}}$$

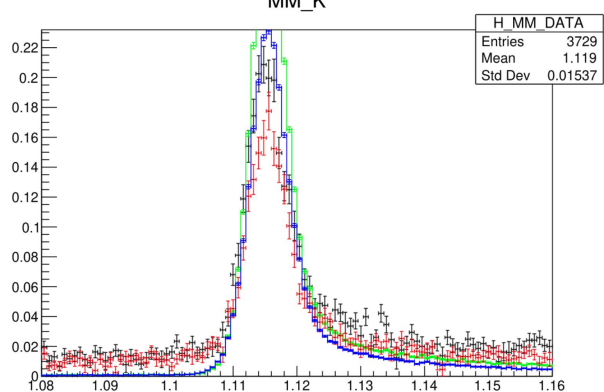
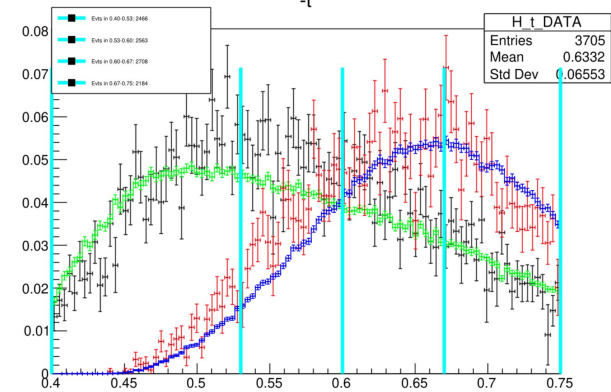
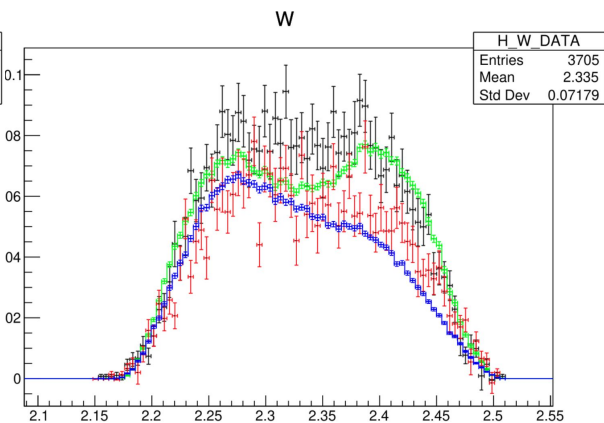
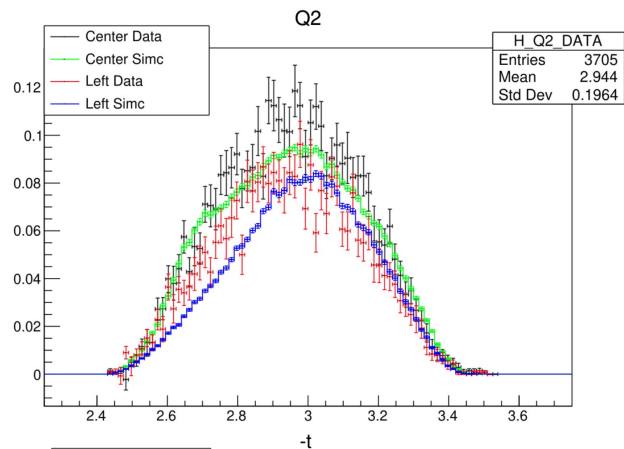
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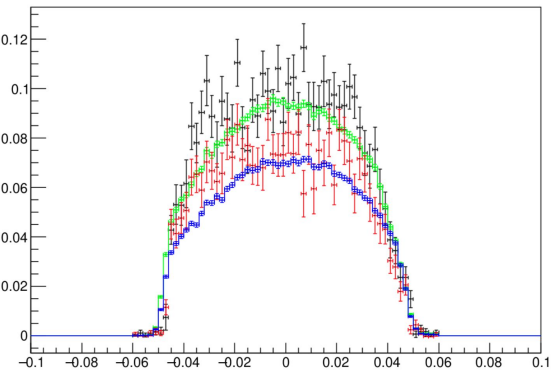
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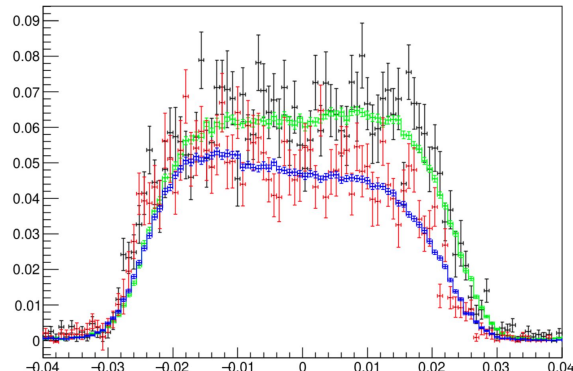
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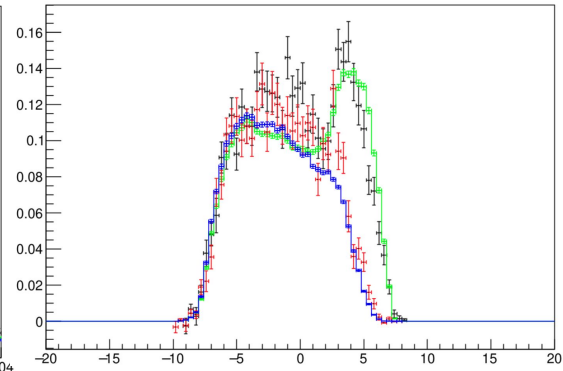
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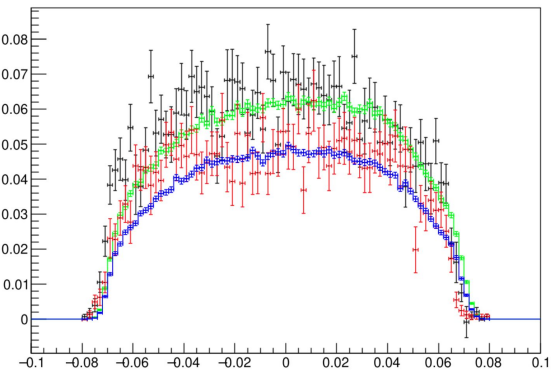
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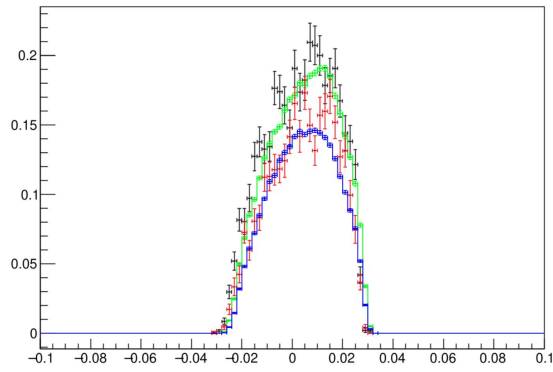
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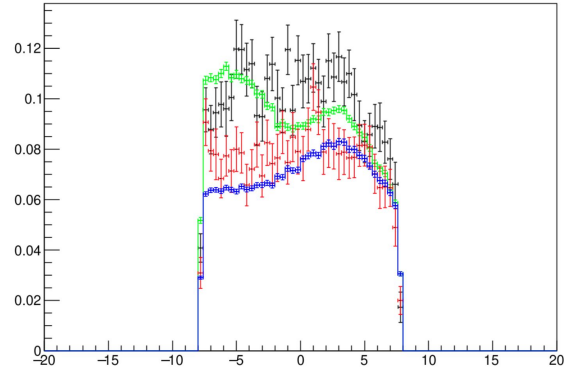
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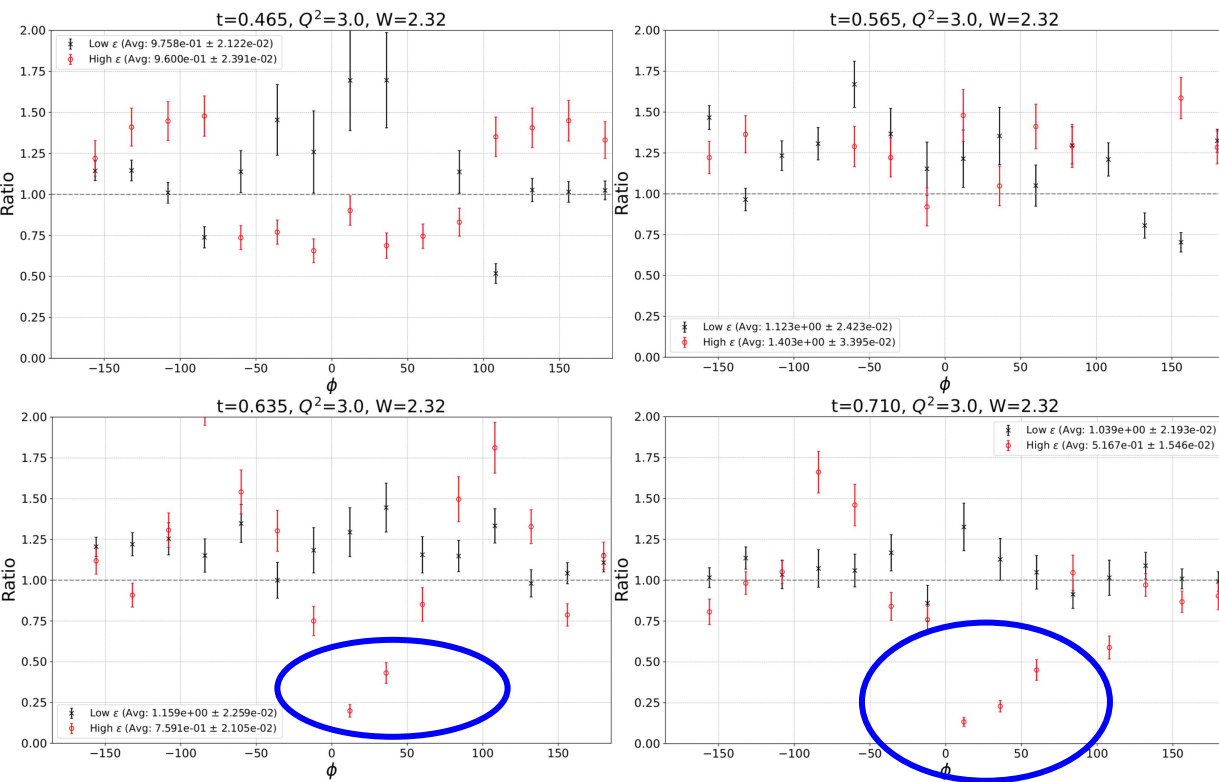


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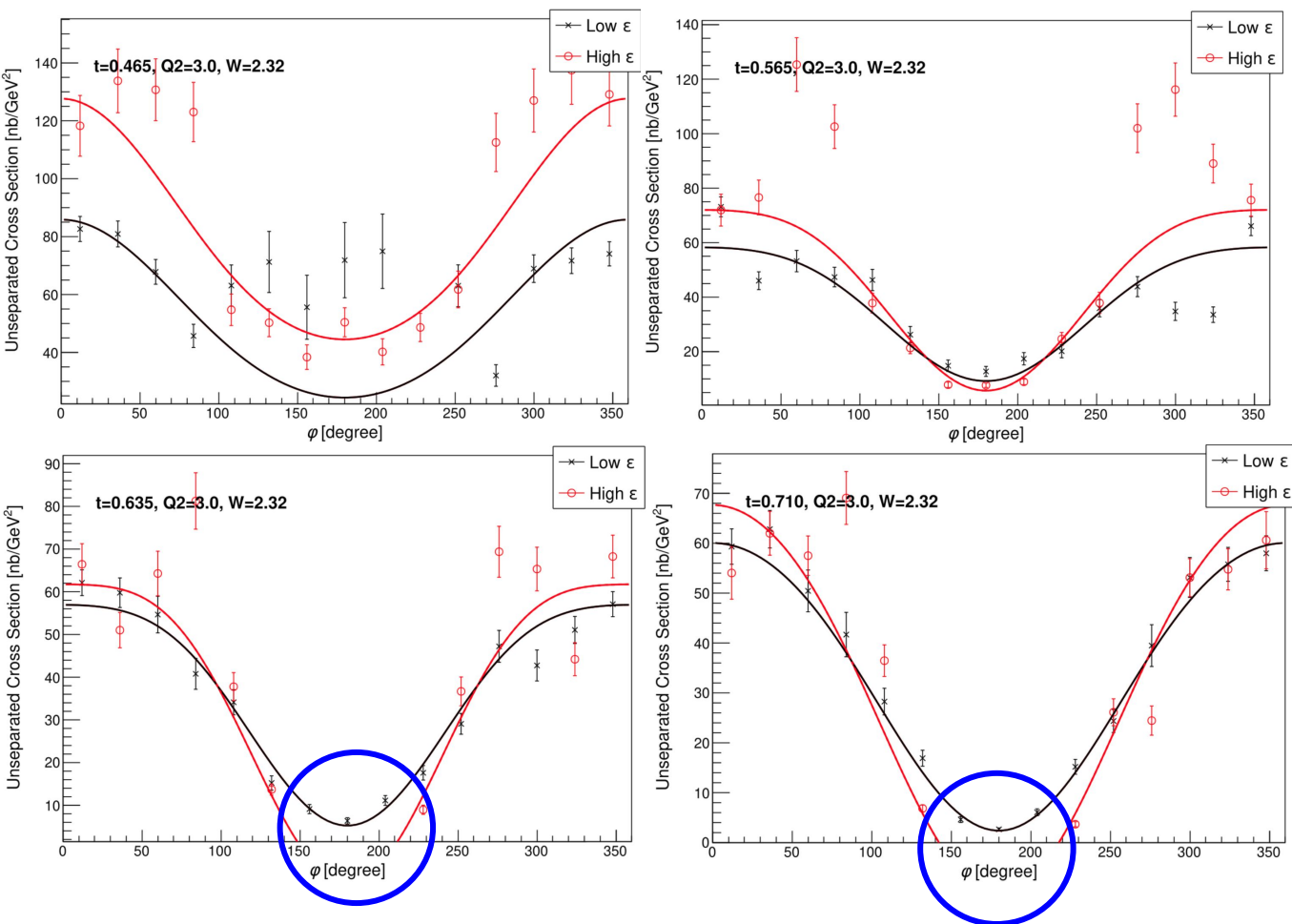
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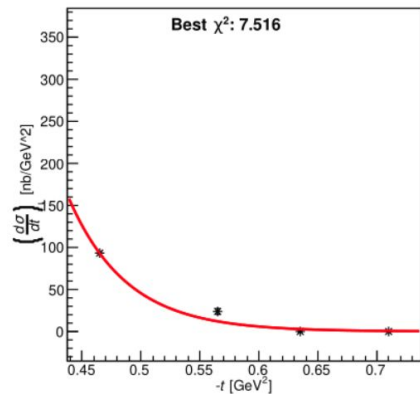
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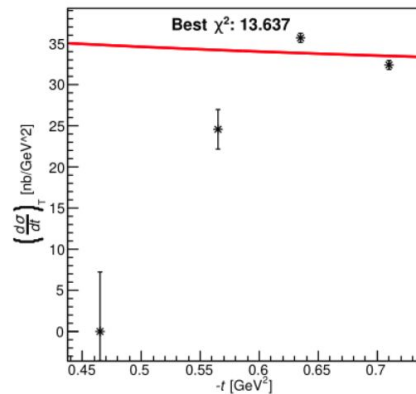
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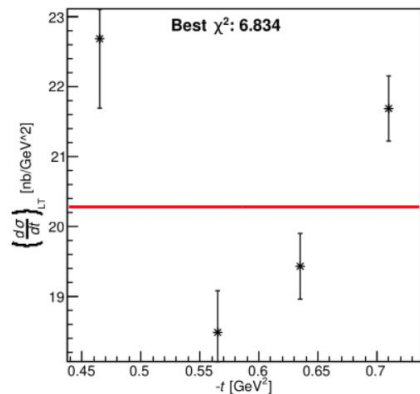
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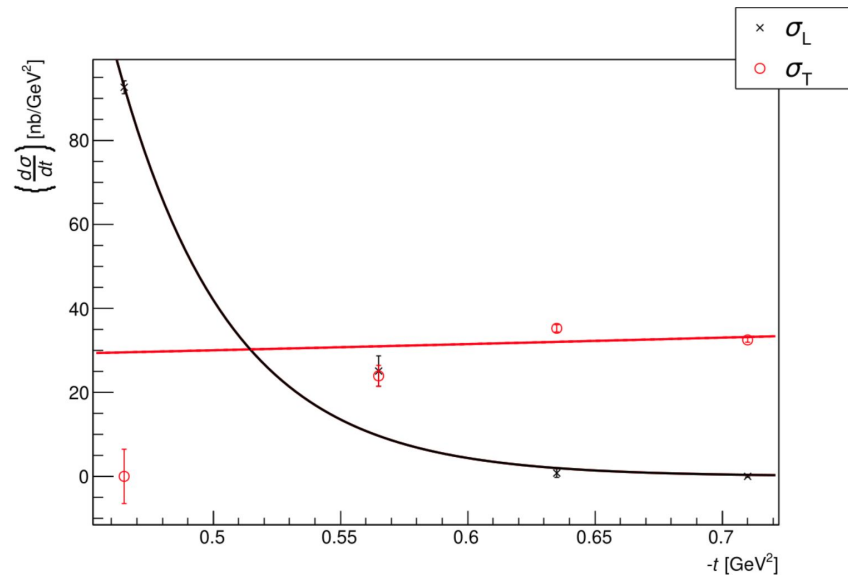
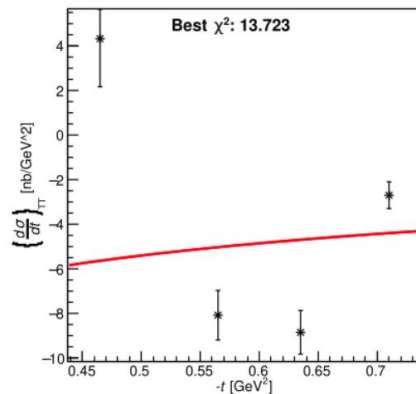
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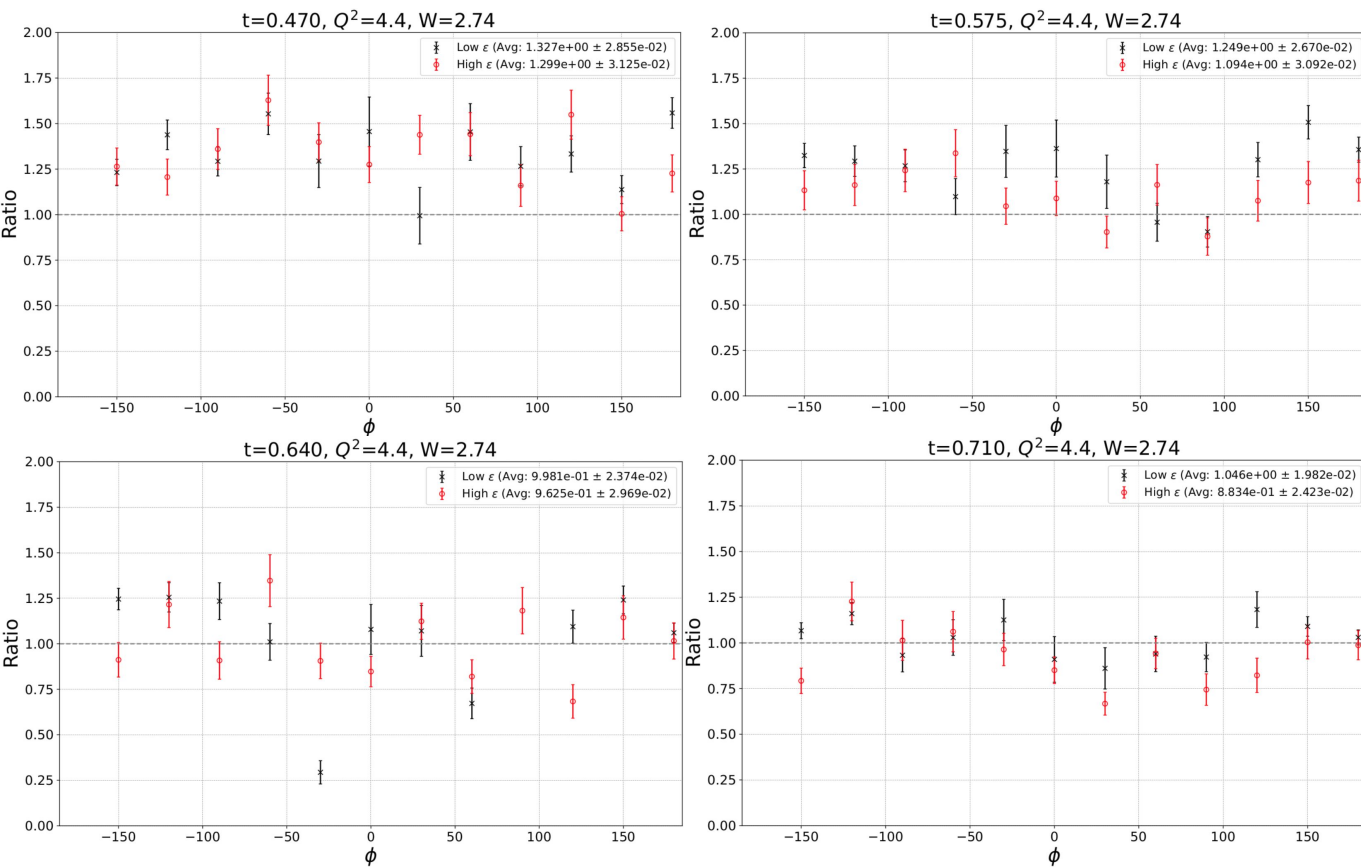


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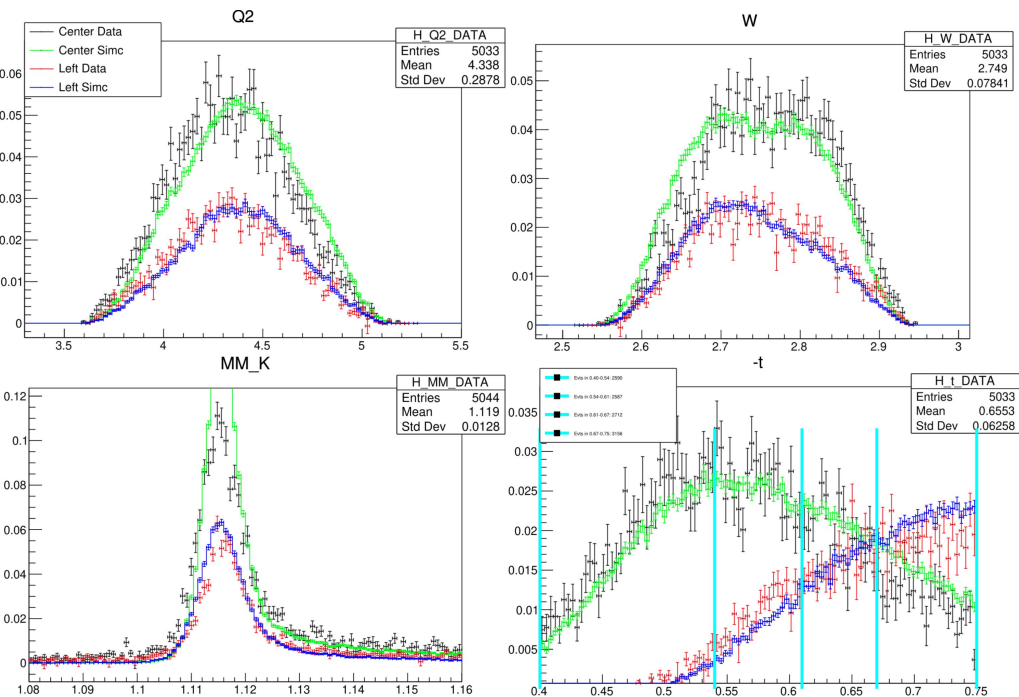
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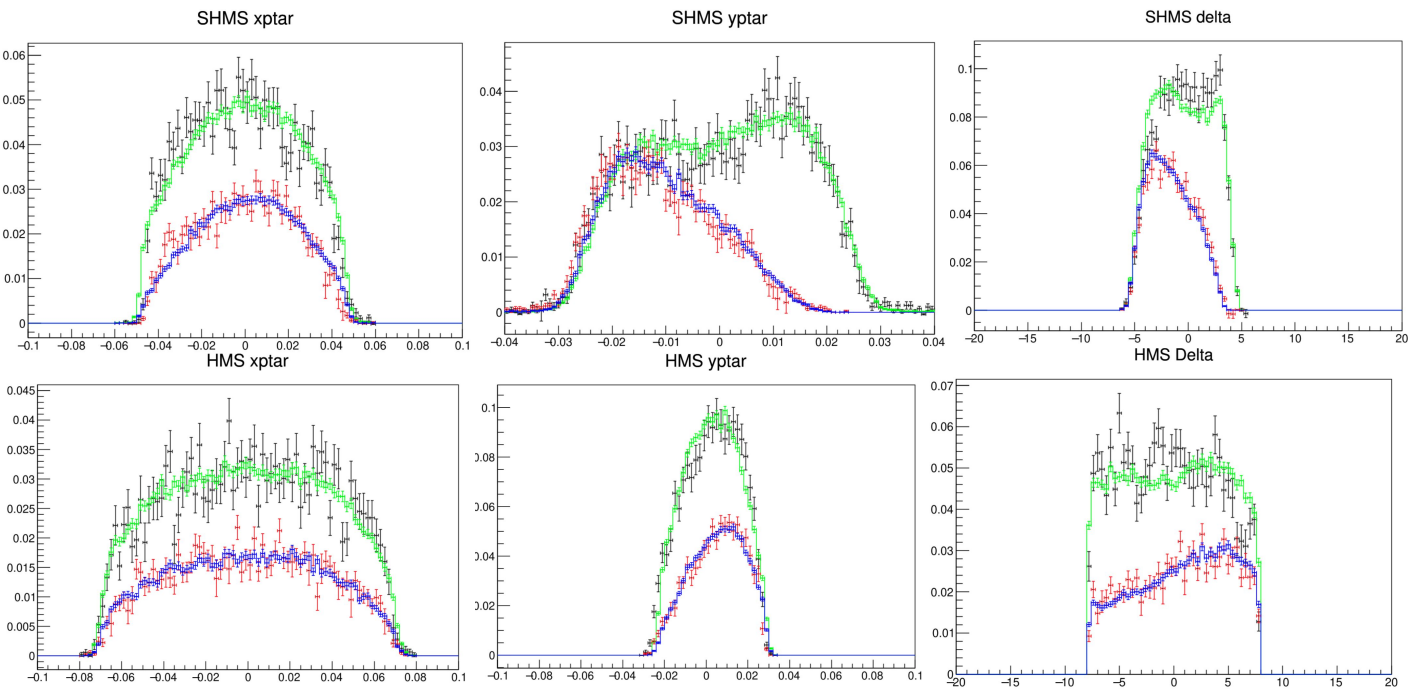
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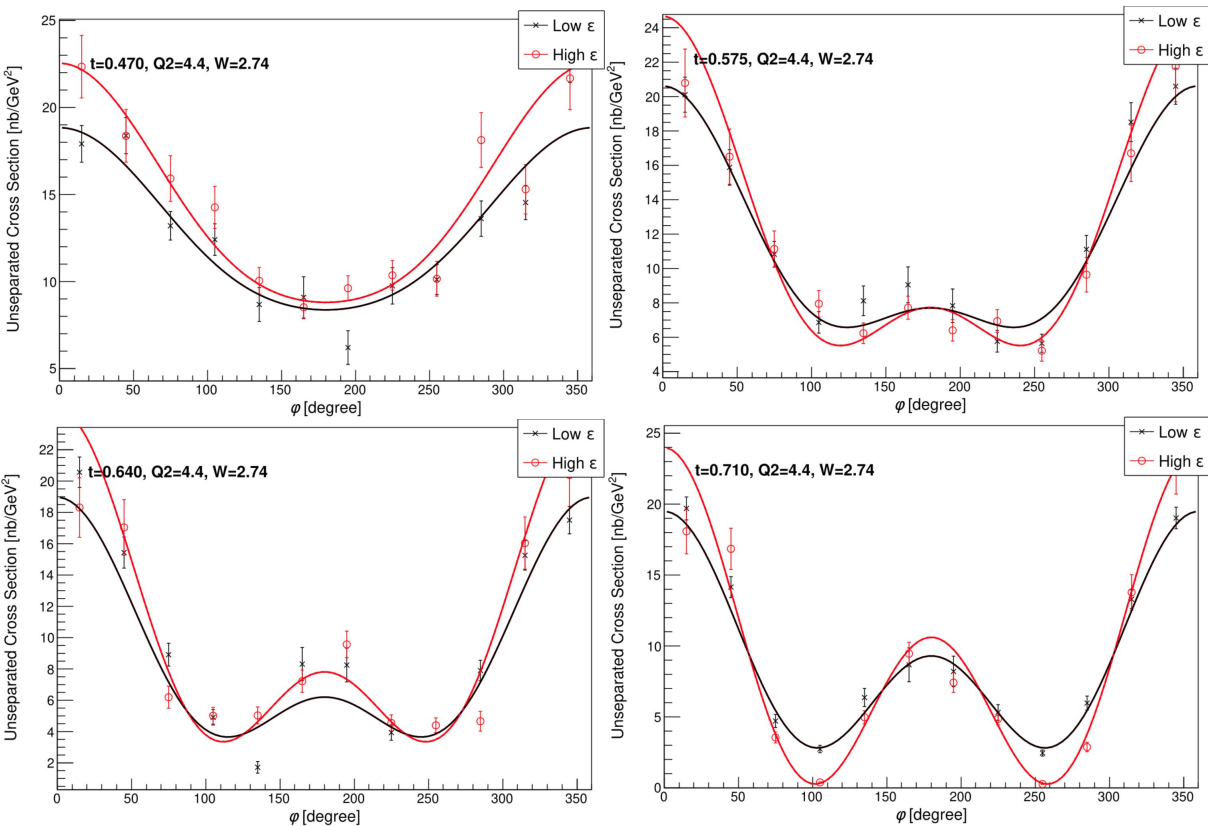
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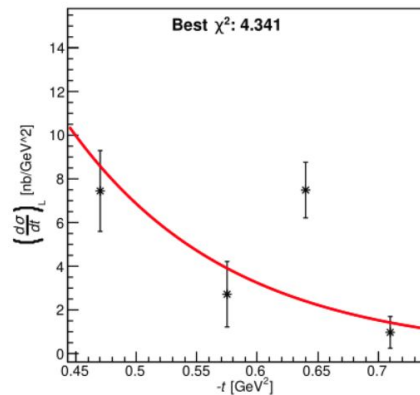
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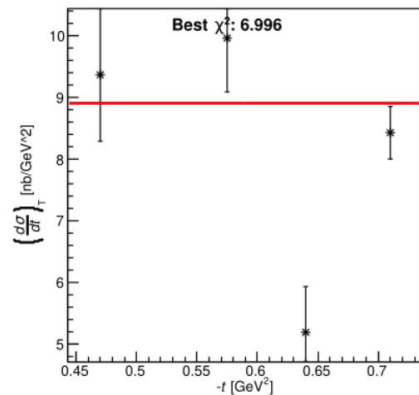
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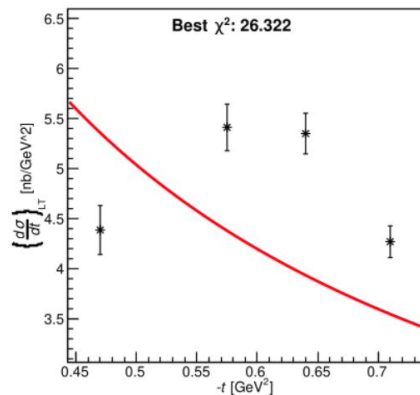
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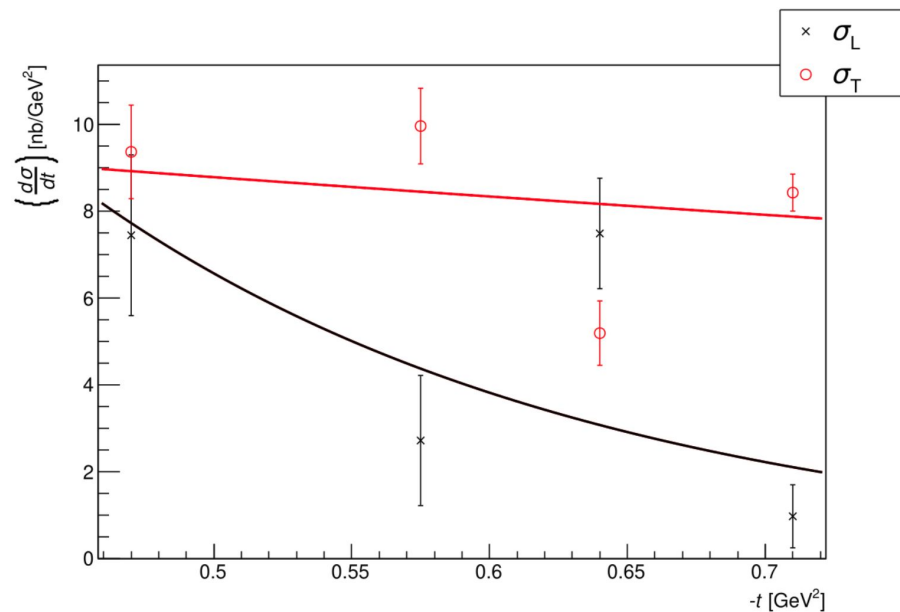
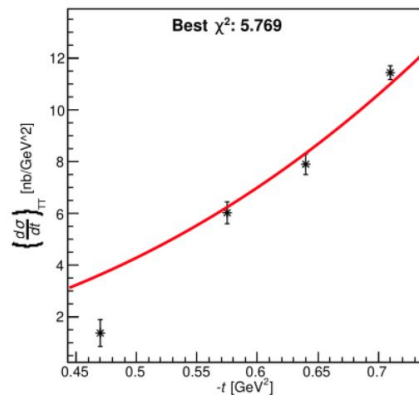
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Sigma LT Model Fit



Sigma TT Model Fit



Outline of Systematic Studies

| Source | pt-to-pt | t-correlated | scale (earlier) | scale (later) |
|-----------------------|----------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Acceptance | 0.4 | 0.4 | 2.0 | 1.0 |
| PID | | 0.4 | 1.0 | 0.5 |
| Coincidence Blocking | | 0.2 | | |
| Tracking efficiency | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Charge | | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Target thickness | | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Kinematics | 0.4 | 1.0 | | |
| Kaon Absorption | | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Kaon Decay | | 1.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| Radiative Corrections | 0.1 | 0.4 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| Monte Carlo Model | 0.2 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Total | 0.6 | 2.0 | 4.7 | 4.2 |

| Systematic Type | Definition | Amplified in σ_L by $1/\Delta\epsilon$? | Correlation Structure |
|-----------------|--|---|---|
| Point-to-Point | Varies independently between high- ϵ and low- ϵ settings at fixed Q^2 , W , and $-t$ | Yes | Uncorrelated between ϵ -points at fixed $-t$ |
| t-Correlated | Affects both ϵ -points equally within the same $-t$ bin, but varies between different $-t$ bins | Yes | Correlated within a $-t$ bin, uncorrelated between bins |
| Scale | Affects all measurements uniformly across all ϵ , t , and Q^2 | No | Fully correlated across all measurements |

Point-to-Point (ϵ -Dependent) Systematic Studies (1)

These systematics are quantified by repeating the LT separation analysis under varied conditions for each ϵ point at fixed kinematics, observing how the variations propagate into σ_L , σ_T , σ_{LT} , and σ_{TT} .

- **Acceptance (ϵ -Dependent)**

- **Method:** Vary geometric and fiducial cuts in SIMC for each ϵ setting independently.
- **Test:**
 - Modify SIMC inputs one ϵ setting at a time.
 - Compare variations in reconstructed yields and cross section ratios between ϵ points.
- **Timeline:** ~1–2 days per Q^2 setting

- **PID (Particle Identification)**

- **Method:** Vary kaon PID thresholds in SHMS (e.g., HGCer, aerogel, hodoscopes) independently at each ϵ point to test stability.
- **Test:**
 - Tighten/loosen Cherenkov photoelectron cuts, aerogel thresholds, and coincidence time windows.
 - Re-extract yields with each cut configuration.
- **Timeline:** ~2-3 days per Q^2 setting

Point-to-Point (ϵ -Dependent) Systematic Studies (2)

● Tracking Efficiency

- **Method:** Investigate ϵ -dependent tracking biases via changes in reconstruction conditions.
- **Test:**
 - Loosen number-of-hits requirement per plane.
 - Allow multi-track events, relax χ^2 cuts.
 - Measure tracking efficiency from data (scintillator-tagged tracks vs. chamber tracks).

● Kinematic Offsets

- **Method:** Apply beam energy, spectrometer angle, and momentum shifts per ϵ setting.
- **Test:**
 - Rerun SIMC for shifted settings.
 - Recalculate ϵ and recompute L/T separation with perturbed inputs.
- **Timeline:** ~1-2 days per Q^2 setting

Point-to-Point (ϵ -Dependent) Systematic Studies (3)

- **Radiative Corrections**

- **Method:** Evaluate ϵ -dependent variations due to radiative tail modeling.
- **Test:**
 - Vary missing mass (MM) cut widths in data (hcana).
 - Re-run SIMC with radiative-on vs radiative-off
- **Timeline:** ~2-3 days per Q^2 setting

- **Monte Carlo (Model Dependence)**

- **Method:** Investigate sensitivity of ϵ -dependent yield corrections to cross section model shape.
- **Test:**
 - Use alternative input models in `physics_iterate.f`
 - Rerun SIMC and track changes in ϵ separation (especially σ_L).
- **Timeline:** ~2-3 days per Q^2 setting

t-Correlated Systematic Studies (1)

Affect all ϵ settings equally for a given t bin but vary between t bins

- **Acceptance (t-Correlated)**

- **Method:** Vary spectrometer angle/momentum and collimator geometry across all t bins.
- **Test:**
 - Apply ± 0.5 mrad angle and $\pm 0.2\%$ momentum shifts in SIMC.
 - Compare σ vs. t slopes across tight/loose acceptance configurations.
- **Timeline:** [Overlap with pt-to-pt](#)

- **PID**

- **Method:** Assess consistency of PID performance across all t bins.
- **Test:**
 - Apply same PID cut variations (HGCer, aerogel, TOF) as point-to-point but compare impact on $\sigma(t)$.
- **Timeline:** [Overlap with pt-to-pt](#)

- **Kinematic Offsets**

- **Method:** Quantify effect of calibration shifts (angle, momentum) on t-reconstruction.
- **Test:**
 - Apply fixed shifts to spectrometer configuration and recompute missing t-distribution.
- **Timeline:** [Overlap with pt-to-pt](#)

t-Correlated Systematic Studies (2)

- **Radiative Corrections**

- **Method:** Assess model sensitivity of radiative tails in t-binned yields.
- **Test:**
 - Vary MM cut and re-calculate $\sigma(t)$ with radiative-on/off in SIMC.
- **Timeline:** [Overlap with pt-to-pt](#)

- **Monte Carlo Model**

- **Method:** Check sensitivity of $\sigma(t)$ trends to alternate physics models.
- **Test:**
 - Run SIMC with at least two cross section models.
 - Extract structure functions and compare residuals across t.
- **Timeline:** [Overlap with pt-to-pt](#)

t-Correlated Systematic Studies (3)

- **Kaon Decay**

- **Method:** Quantify decay-in-flight loss across t .
- **Test:**
 - Rerun SIMC with kaon decay disabled/enabled.
 - Compare survival fractions as function of kaon momentum (i.e., t).
- **Timeline:** ~2–3 days per Q^2 setting

- **Coincidence Blocking**

- **Method:** Examine rate-dependent coincidence loss in SHMS/HMS trigger logic.
- **Test:**
 - Compare blocked vs. unblocked event samples.
 - Shift timing window and evaluate event yield stability.
- **Timeline:** ~10-12 days total

- **Kaon Absorption**

- **Method:** Determine t -dependence of nuclear absorption losses. Likely a scale factor per Q^2 setting
- **Test:**
 - Vary absorption coefficients or material models
 - GEANT to cross-check absorption by detector materials.
- **Timeline:** ~2-3 days per Q^2 setting

Scale (Global Normalization) Systematics (1)

Affect all cross sections uniformly across all ϵ and t . These influence the absolute normalization of σ_L , σ_T , and thus any model-dependent extractions (e.g., F_K).

- **Radiative Corrections**

- **Method:** Estimate total radiative yield correction model dependence.
- **Test:**
 - Run SIMC with radiative-on/off.
 - Vary input cross section model and compare integrated correction factors.
- **Timeline:** [Overlap with pt-to-pt](#)

- **Monte Carlo Model**

- **Method:** Test sensitivity of global normalization to shape of input cross section model.
- **Test:**
 - Run SIMC with different structure function inputs.
 - Compare global integrated yields.
- **Timeline:** [Overlap with pt-to-pt](#)

Scale (Global Normalization) Systematics (1)

● Kaon Decay

- **Method:** *Check with Peter B. and Dave G. to carefully check how things are implemented in SIMC*
- **Test:**
 - Extract correction from SIMC decay module.
 - Assign decay uncertainty across all settings (SHMS momentum dependent).
- **Timeline:** ???

● Kaon Absorption

- **Method:** Estimate global kaon loss from GEANT or empirical scaling in SIMC.
- **Test:**
 - Compare kaon yield loss in GEANT vs SIMC.
 - Apply uniform correction factor.
- **Timeline:** ~2-3 days per Q^2 setting

To Do

1. Reanalyze...

- $Q^2=3.0/W=2.32$
- $Q^2=4.4/W=2.74$
- $Q^2=5.5/W=3.02$

2. Re-parameterize...

- $Q^2=2.115/W=2.95$
- $Q^2=3.0/W=3.14$

3. Full SIMC runs with new functions and parameters for all settings

4. Full Replay for all settings

5. Finalize systematics study (~70-110 days)

Finish up by Hall A/C meeting

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