



**Search for VHE GRBs
with **triggerless** data from
full LHAASO-WCDA**

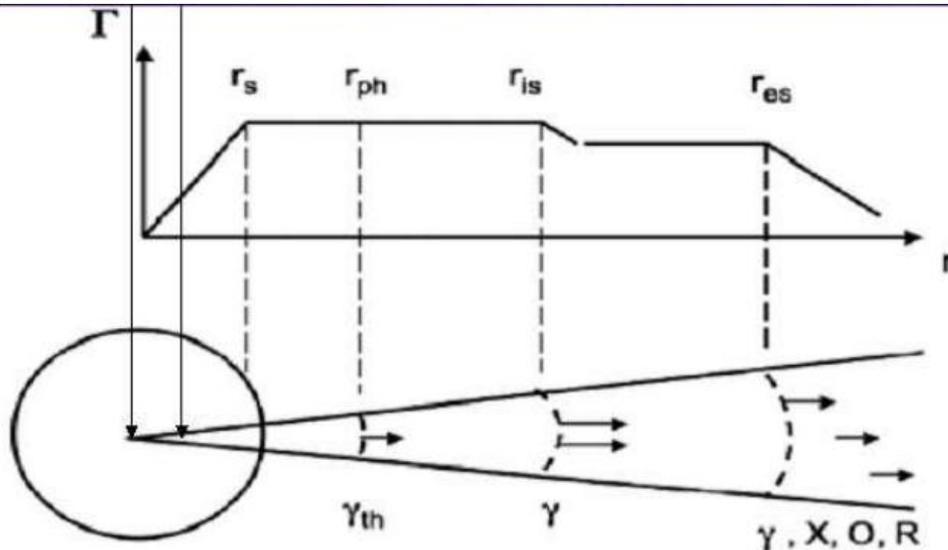
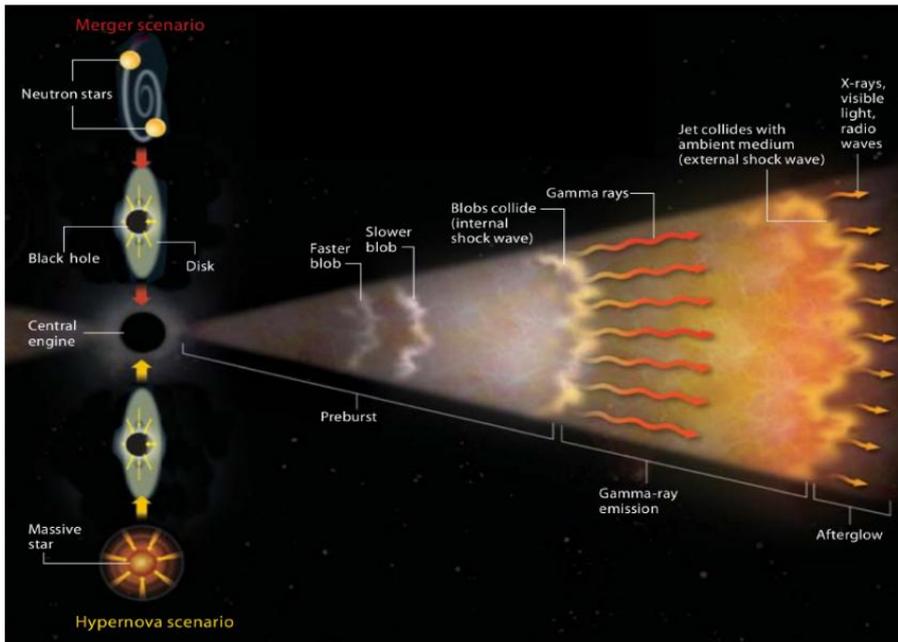
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Outline

- Introduction
- LHAASO
- Data & Method
- Results
- Conclusion

GRB physics in the VHE band



- VHE afterglow:
 - radiation mechanisms
 - environment

- VHE prompt:
 - relativistic jets
 - bulk Lorentz factor
 - internal compactness
 - radiation mechanisms

- probe of many aspects:
 - LIV, EBL
 - UHECRS and neutrinos

Efforts on VHE GRBs

satelites experiments
 ➤ small effective area



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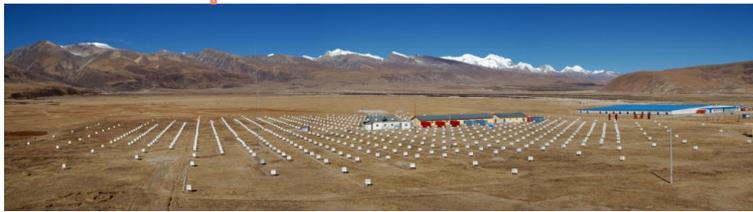
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➤ low sensitivity



IACTs:

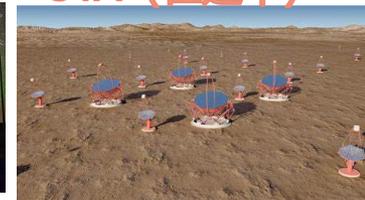
➤ high sensitivity
 ➤ small FOV
 ➤ low duty cycle

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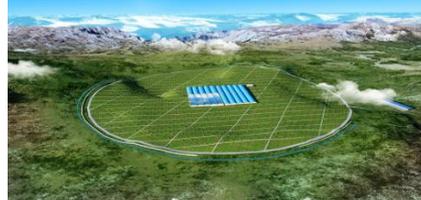


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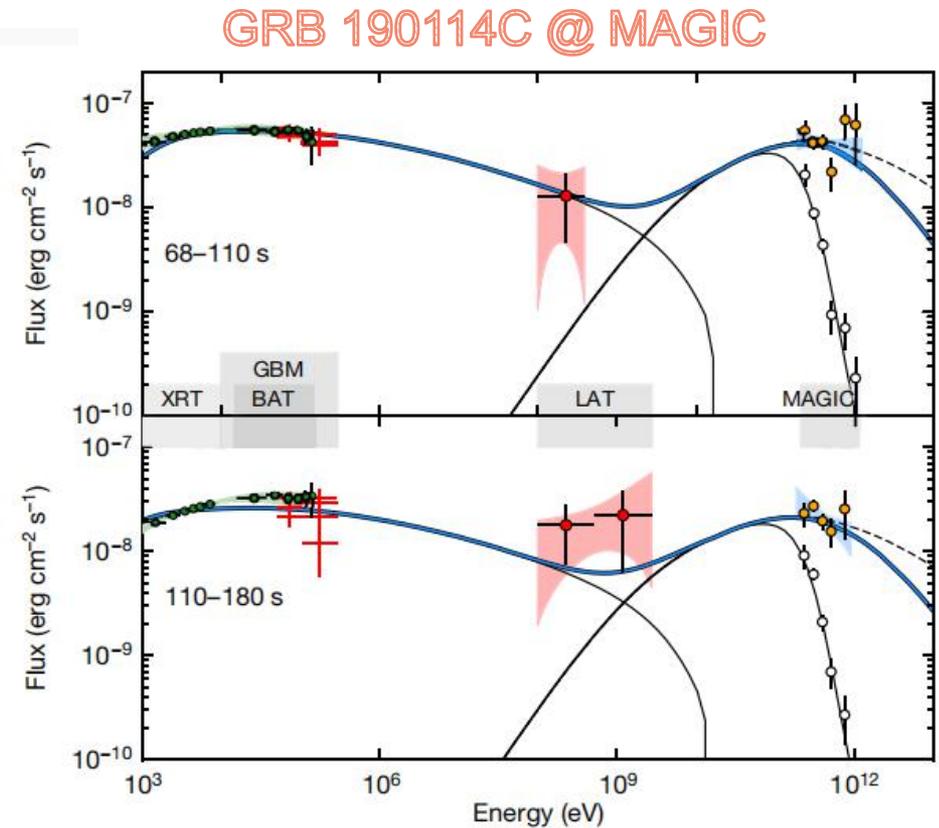
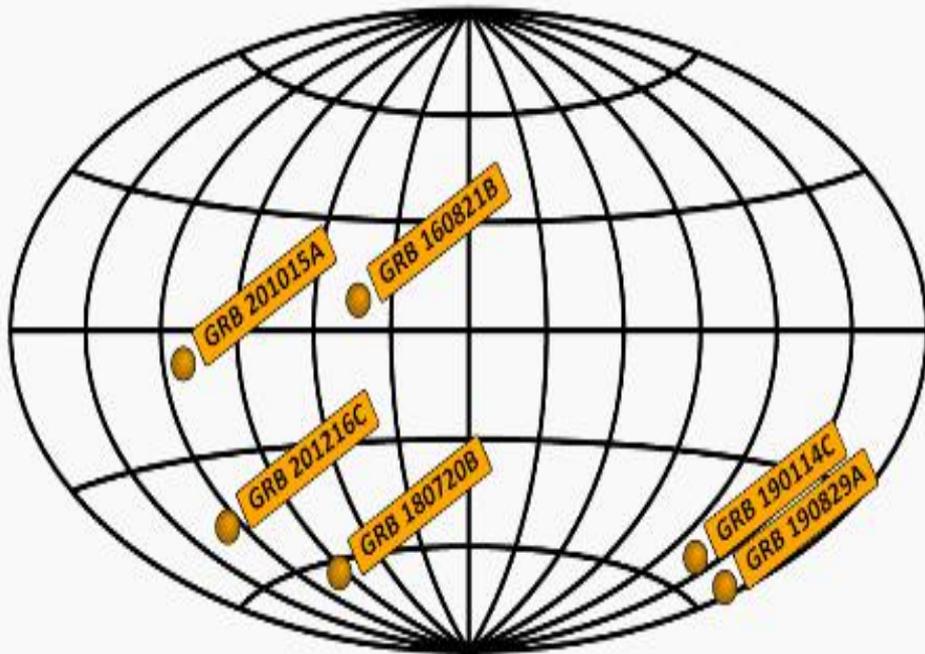
LHAASO

AS array:

➤ high duty cycle
 ➤ large FOV

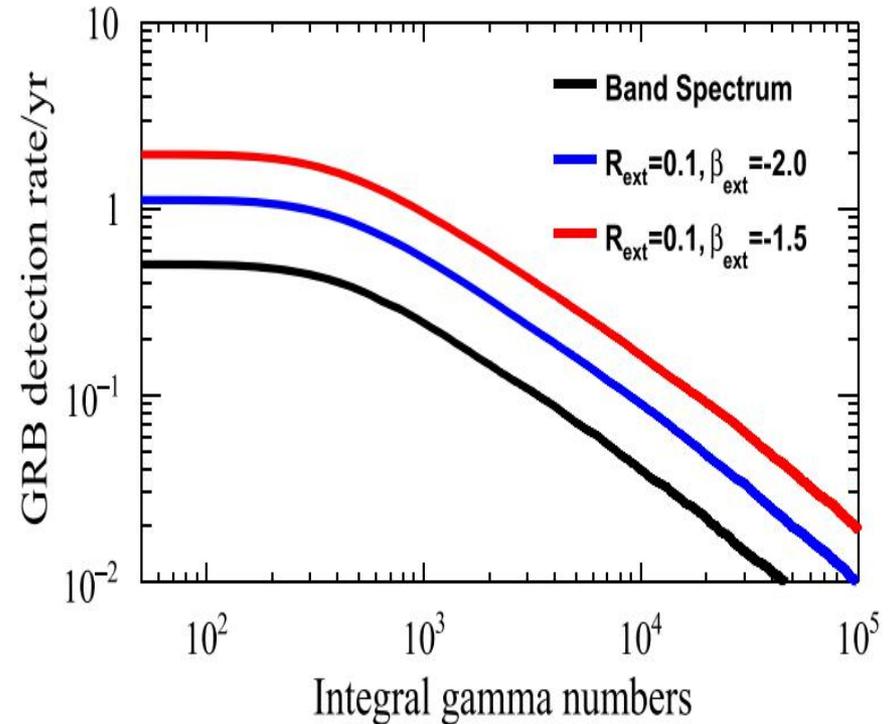
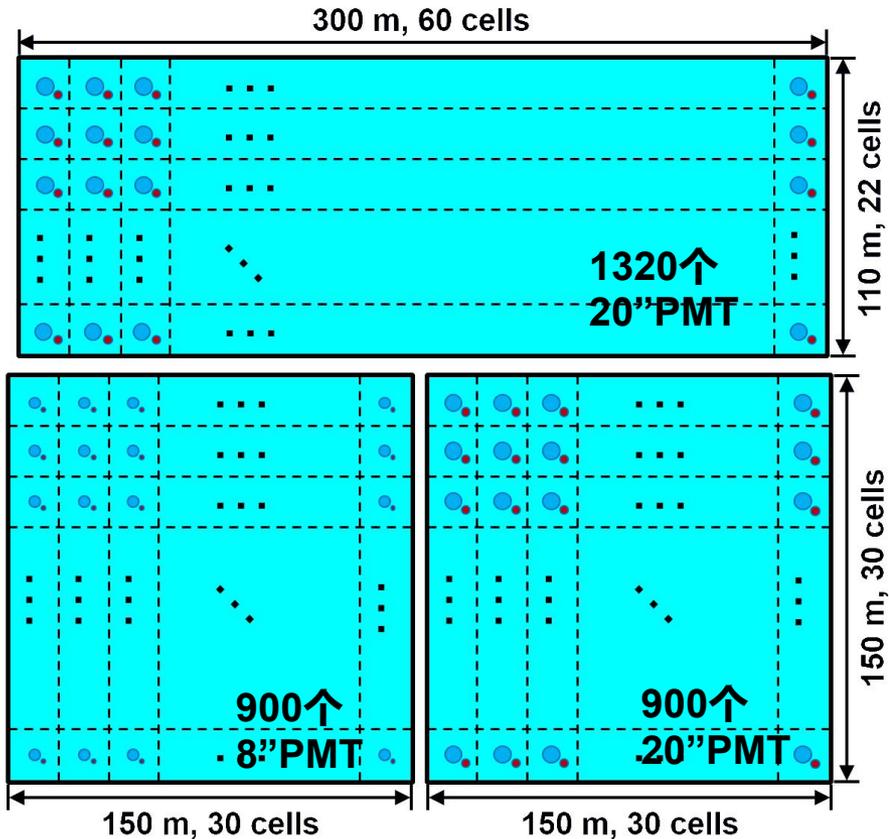


Detection of VHE afterglow



- IACTs have opened a window of VHE observation for GRB afterglow
- Several GRBs have been detected with VHE afterglow emissions.

The LHAASO-WCDA observation



Kang M.M. et al, ApJ, 2021

- Large FOV, high duty cycle
- Low energy threshold: high altitude+20" PMT+GRB mode
- Observation expectation of **VHE prompt emission**: 0.5~2 GRB / year

Our previous analysis on **WCDA1**

GRB 190829A

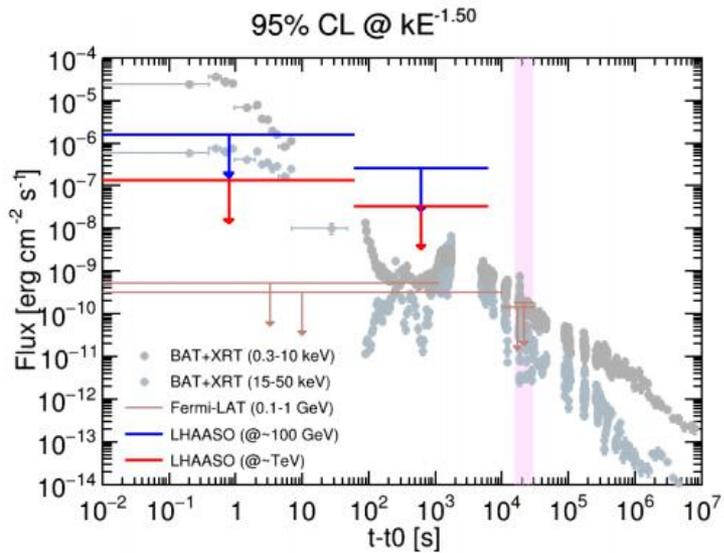


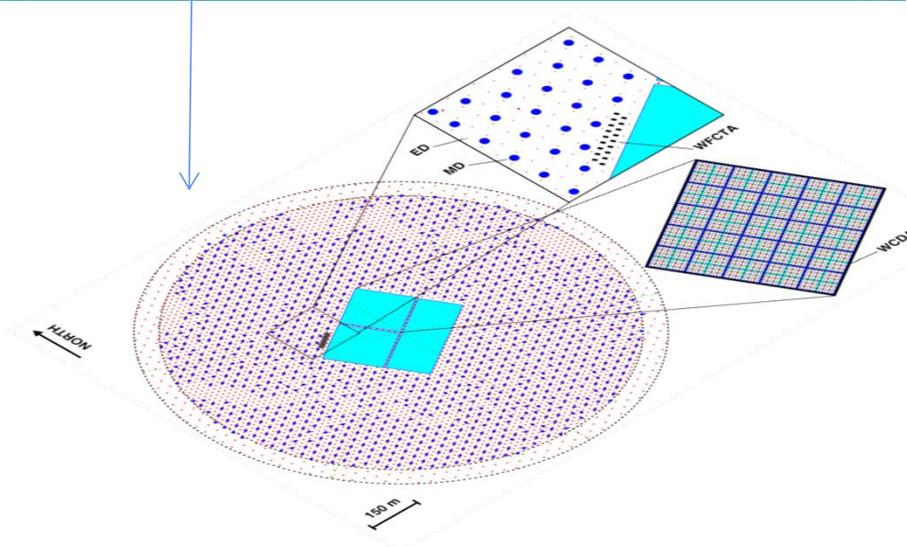
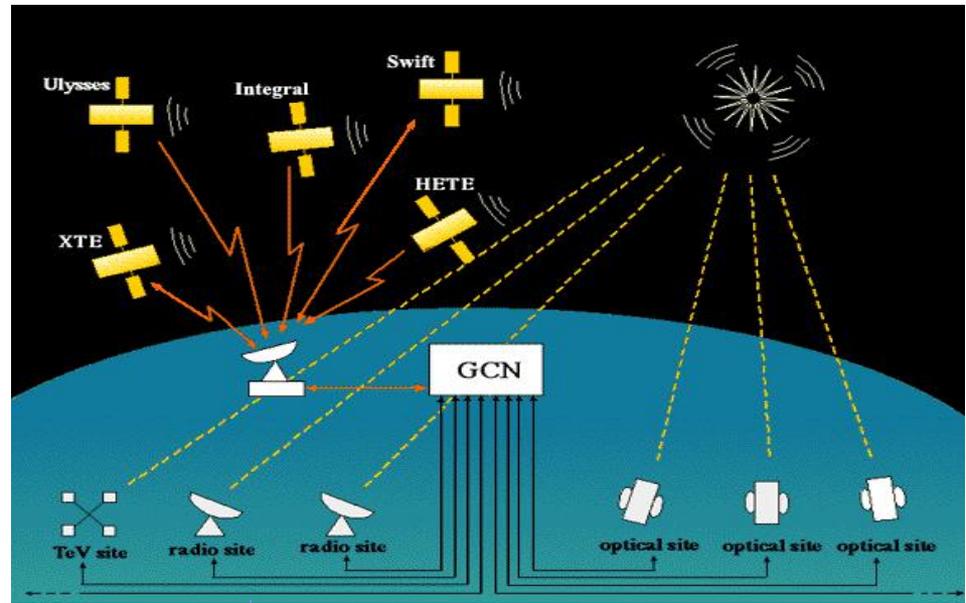
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取数日期	天顶角 [°]	T_{90} [s]	$T_{90}, n_{\text{ftc}} < 60$		$T_{90}, n_{\text{ftc}} \geq 60$		0 - 6000s, $n_{\text{ftc}} < 60$		0 - 6000s, $n_{\text{ftc}} \geq 60$	
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20190620	24.92	/	4.74E-04	1.08E-01	3.84E-06	8.74E-04	2.86E-03	6.52E-01	1.58E-05	3.59E-03
20190703	4.48	/	2.36E-04	1.18E-02	1.85E-06	9.18E-05	1.08E-03	5.38E-02	1.08E-05	5.39E-04
20191004	31.43	/	1.20E-03	5.49E-01	7.87E-06	3.60E-03	4.53E-03	2.07E+00	3.75E-05	1.72E-02
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➤ GRB 190829A

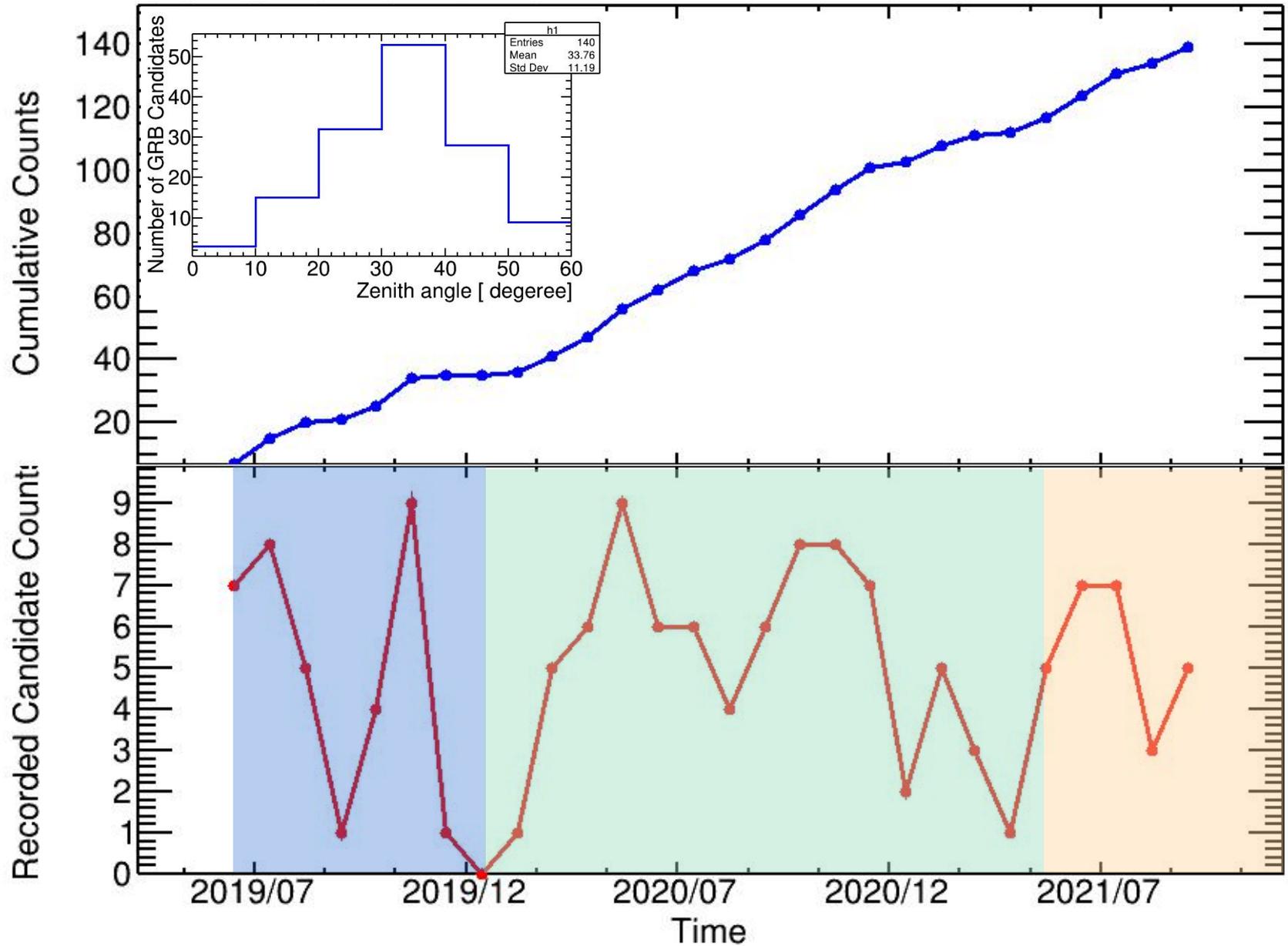
➤ Flux upper-limits of other follow-ups

LHAASO-WCDA GRB follow up



- LHAASO is able to react to GRB alerts thanks to a dedicated alert system receiving the external trigger provided by the GRB GCN
- Alerts from **Fermi and swift** experiments
- **Triggerless Data: hits information** on each PMT are stored between $T_0 - 0.5h$ and $T_0 + 2h$

Summary of observations (to sept. 2021)



Analysis Method

□ Hit--> Event

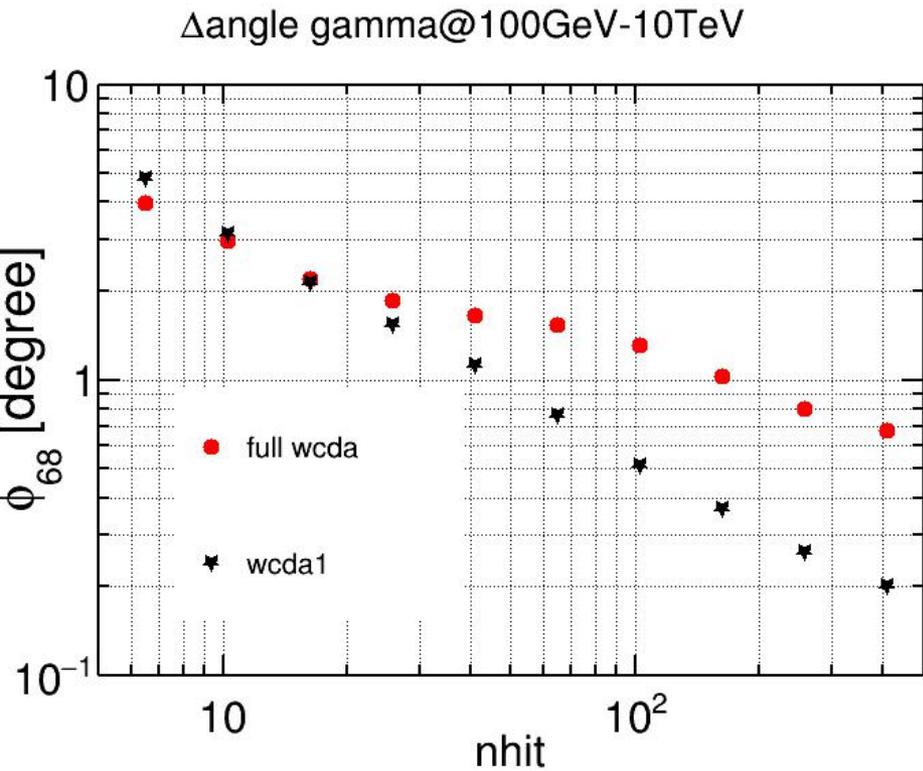
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□ Event reconstruction

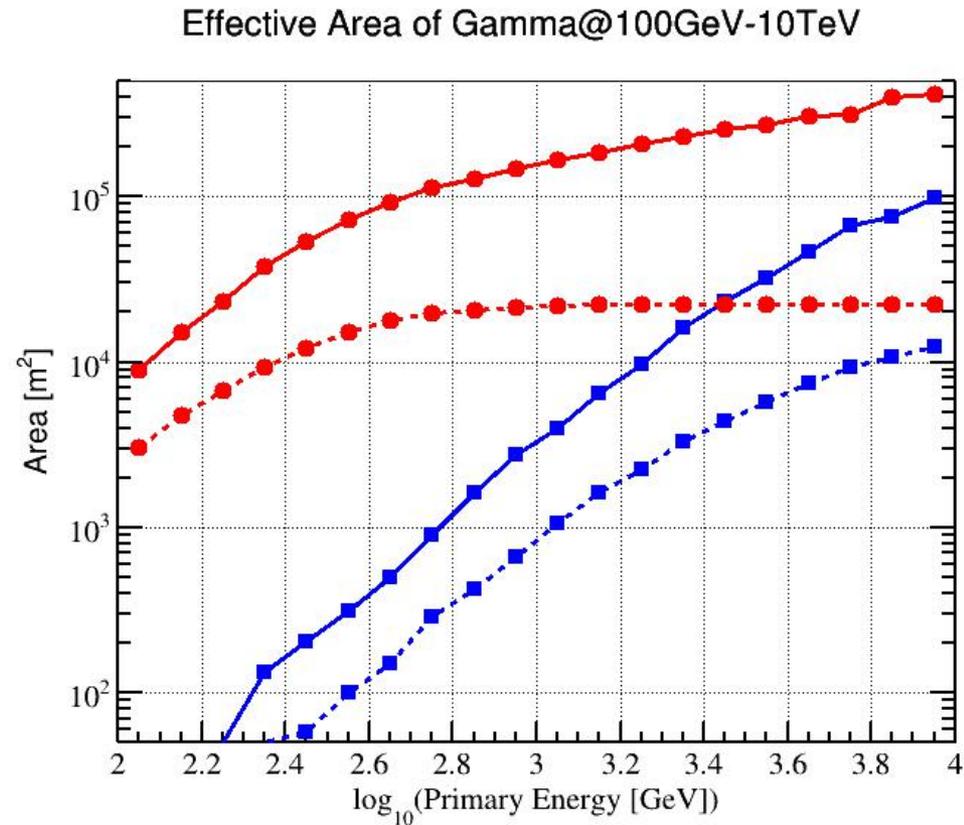
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Twin	10ns	10ns
Rwin	20m	35m
δT	20ns	5ns

Performance

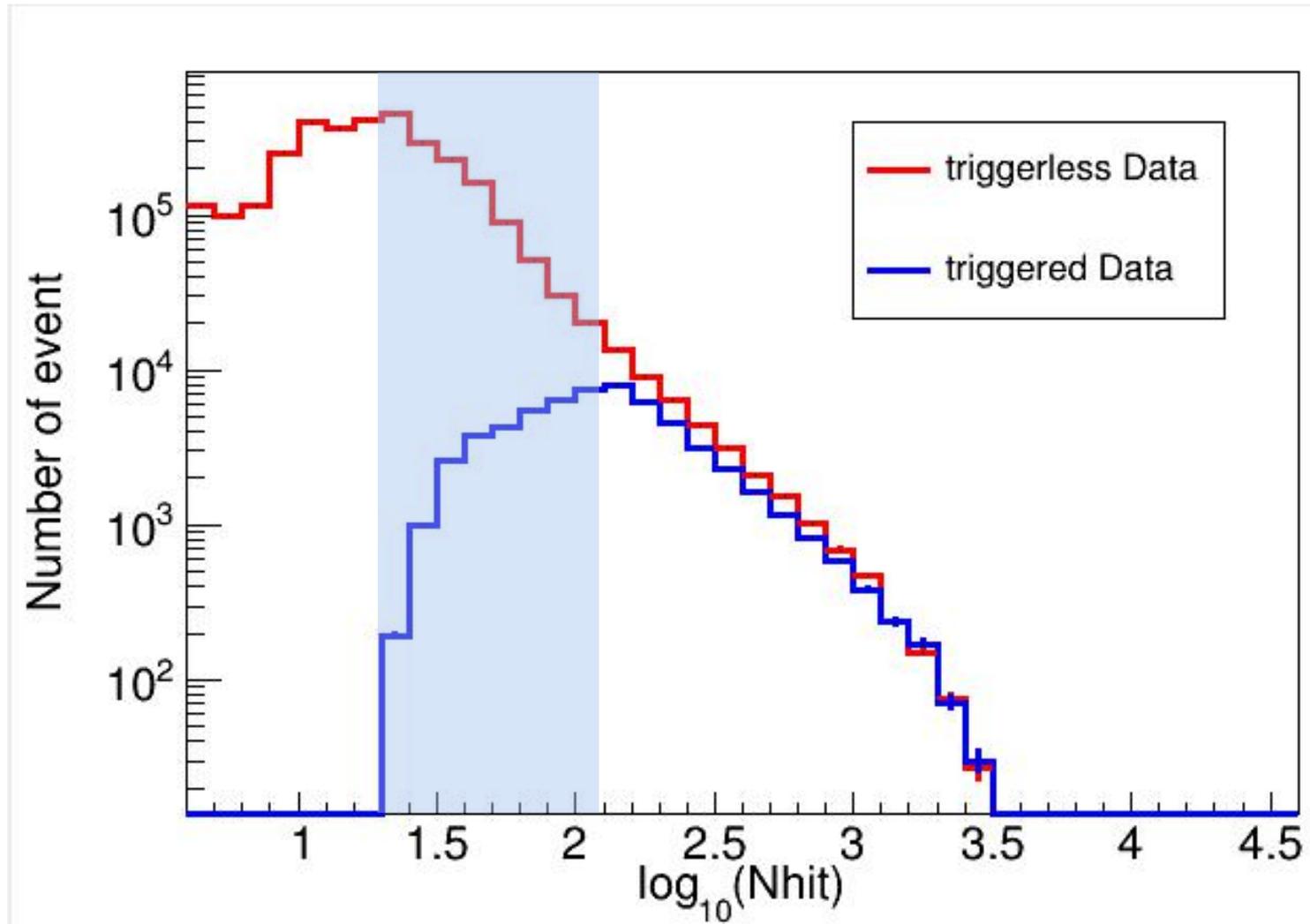
□ Angular resolution



□ Effective area

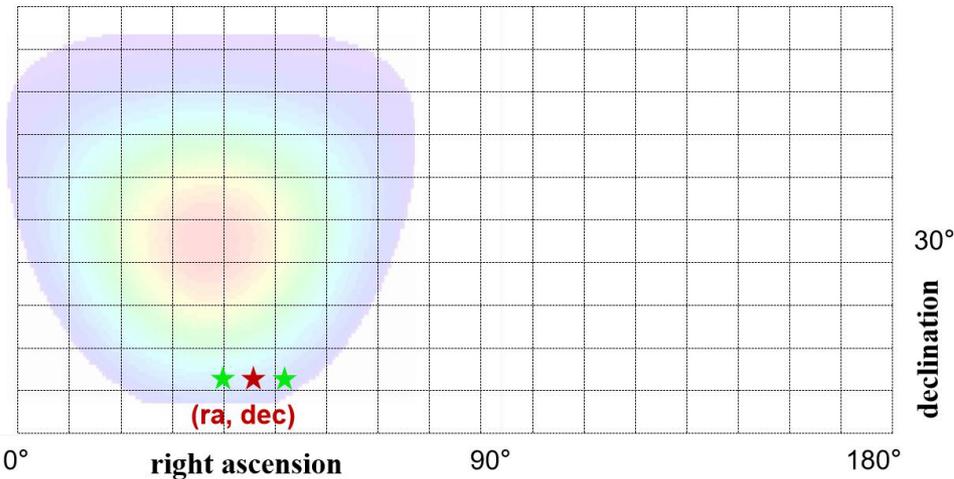


Data: compared with reduced data



➤nhit: 20 - 100

On-off and significance



□ 10 off sources

➤ estimate the background

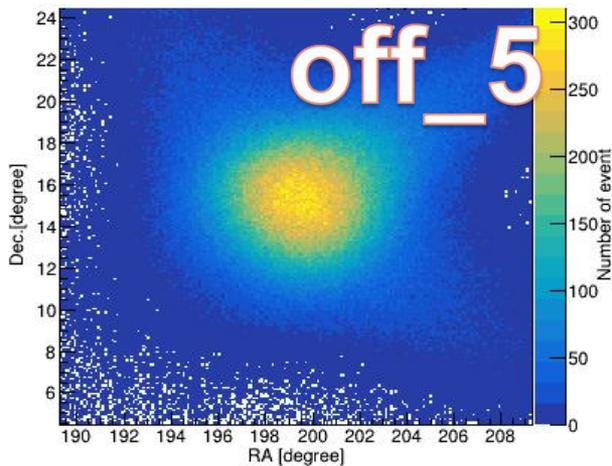
□ Significance

➤ Li-Ma formula

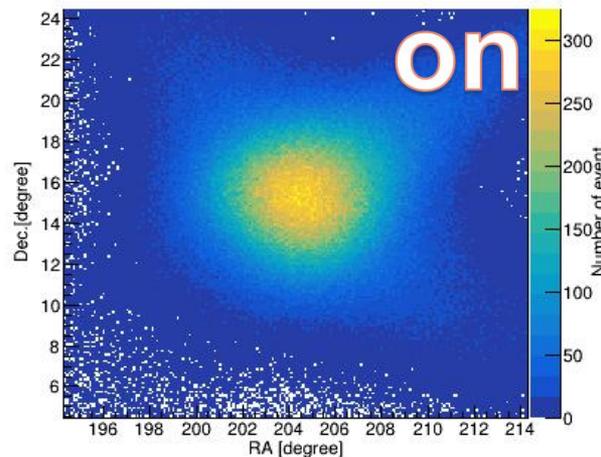
□ Aimed **at the prompt phase**

➤ T90/100s

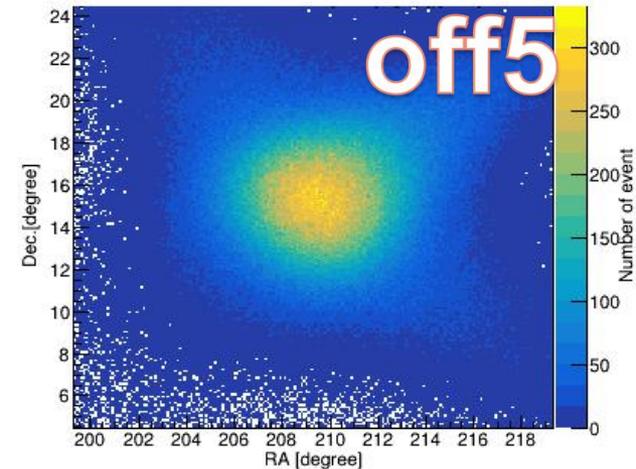
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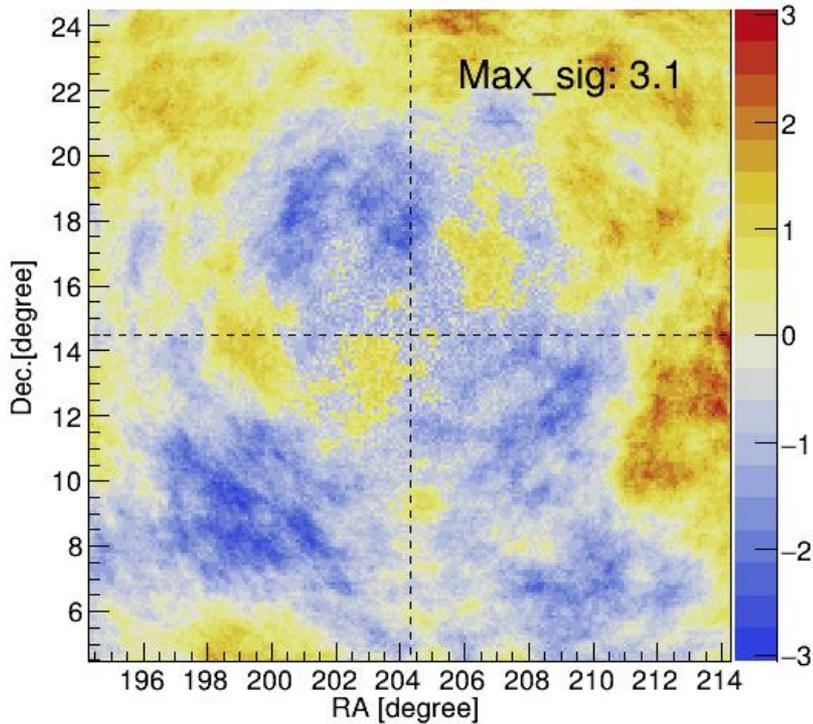


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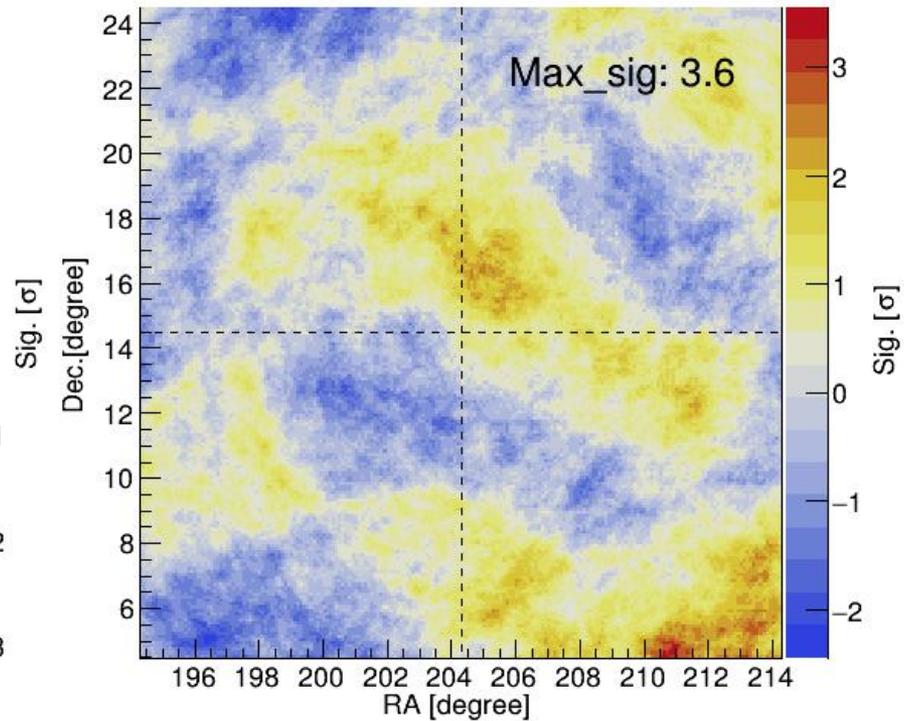
Sky Map of 20210610

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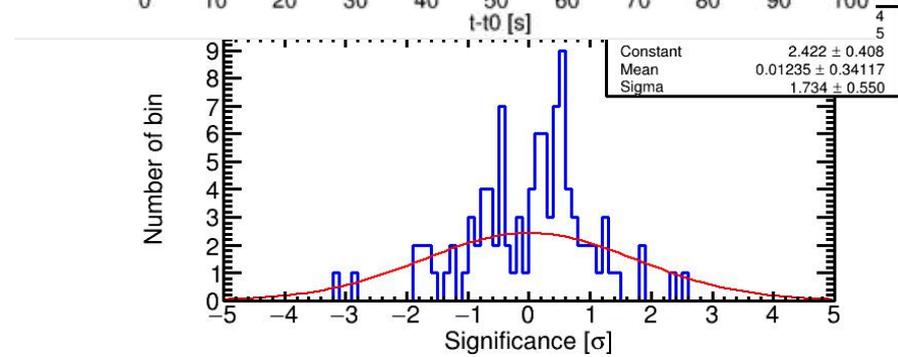
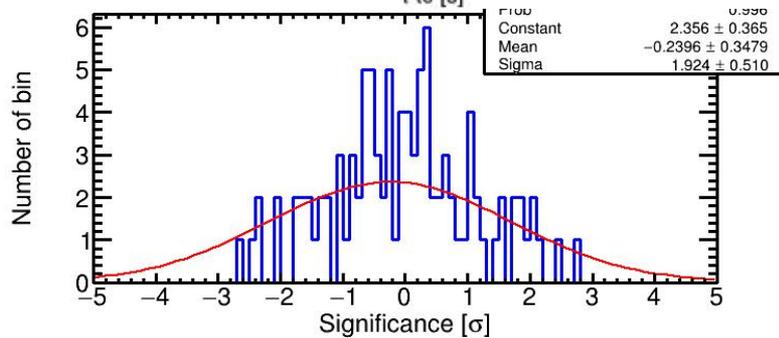
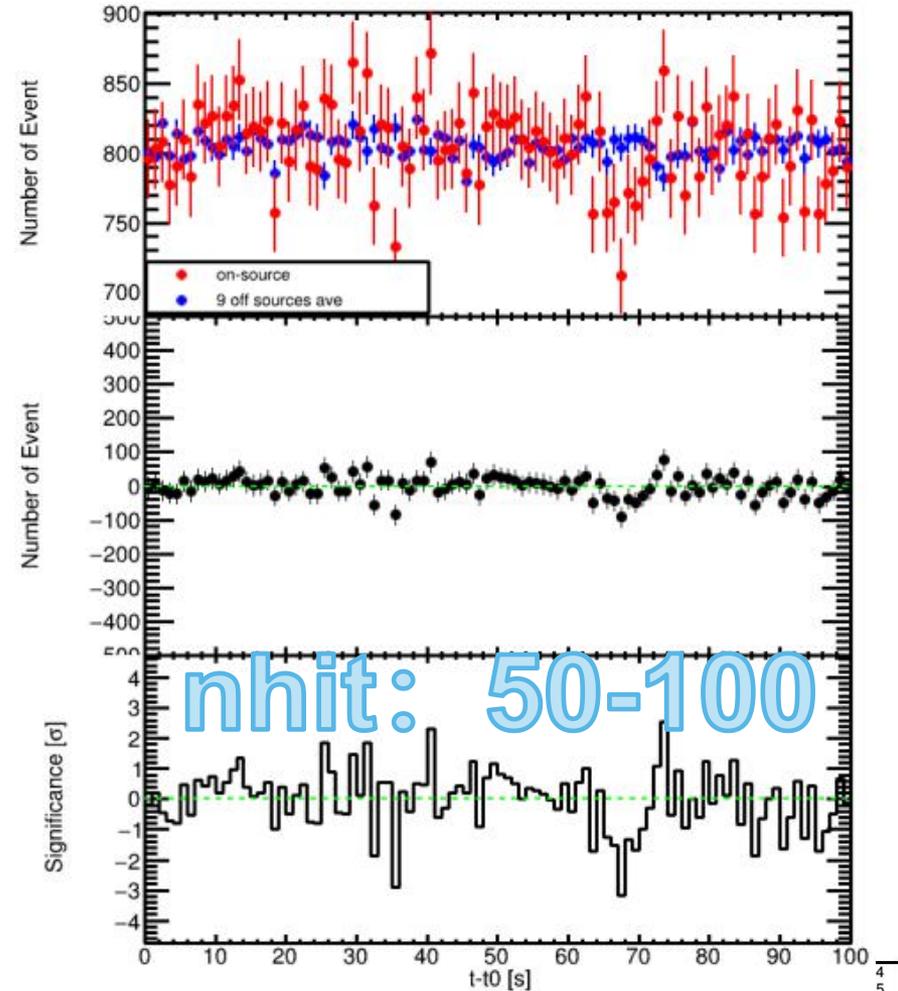
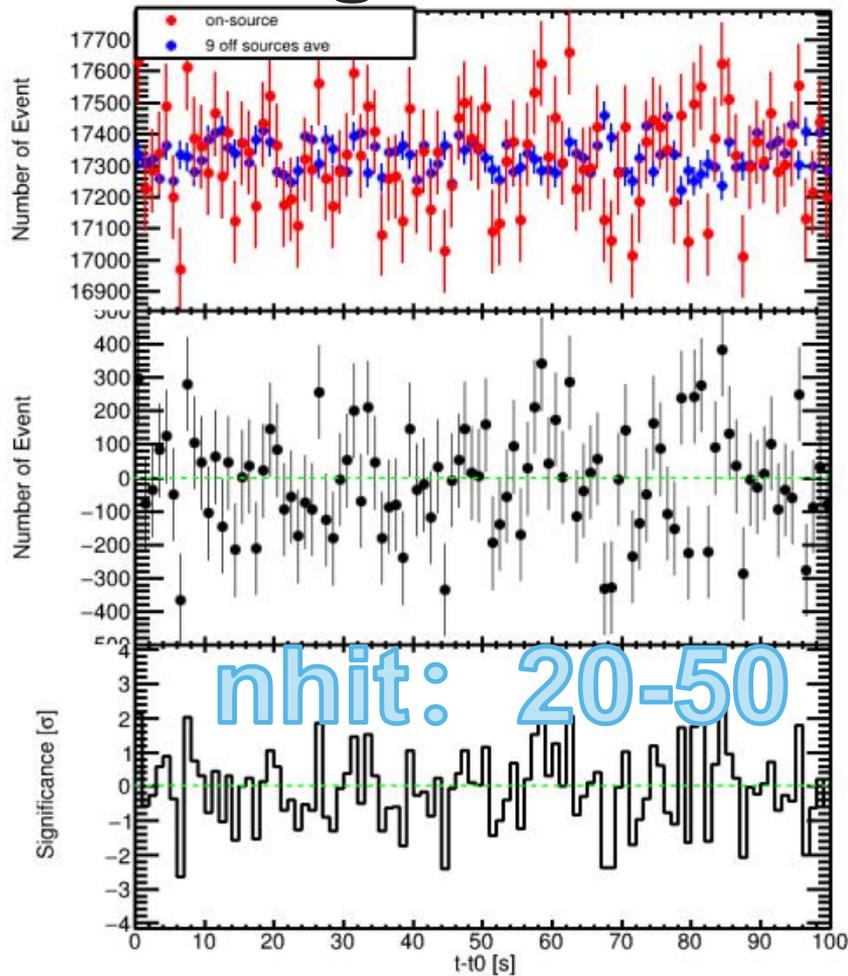
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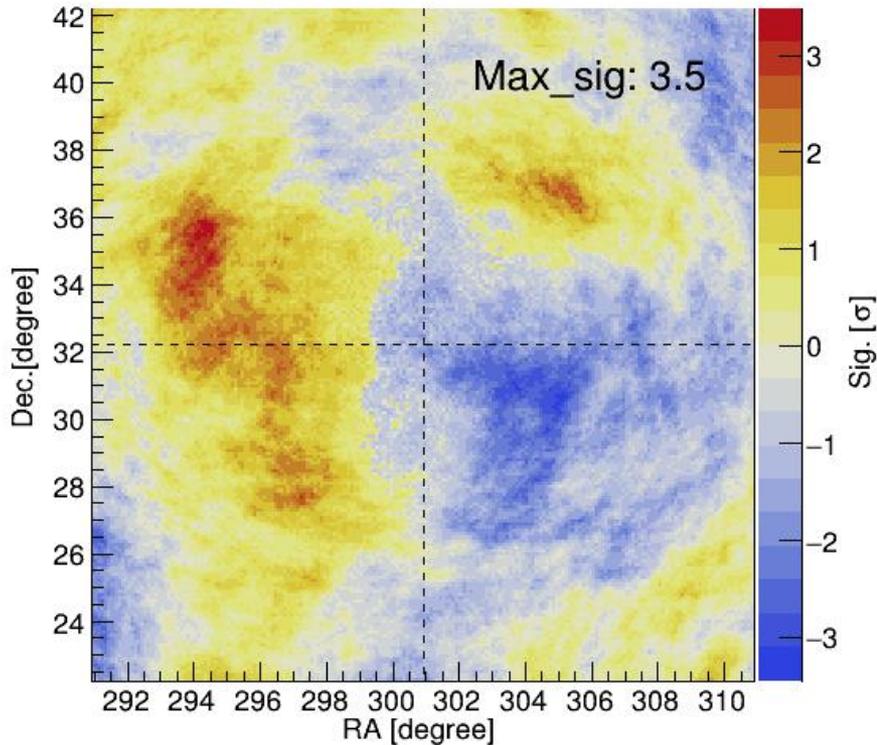
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Light Curve of 20210610



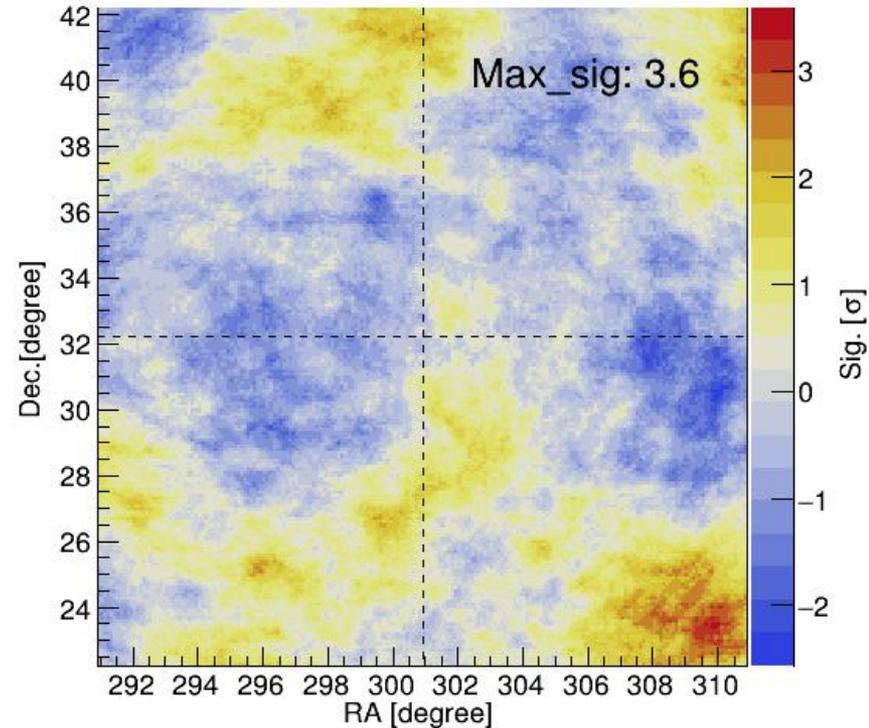
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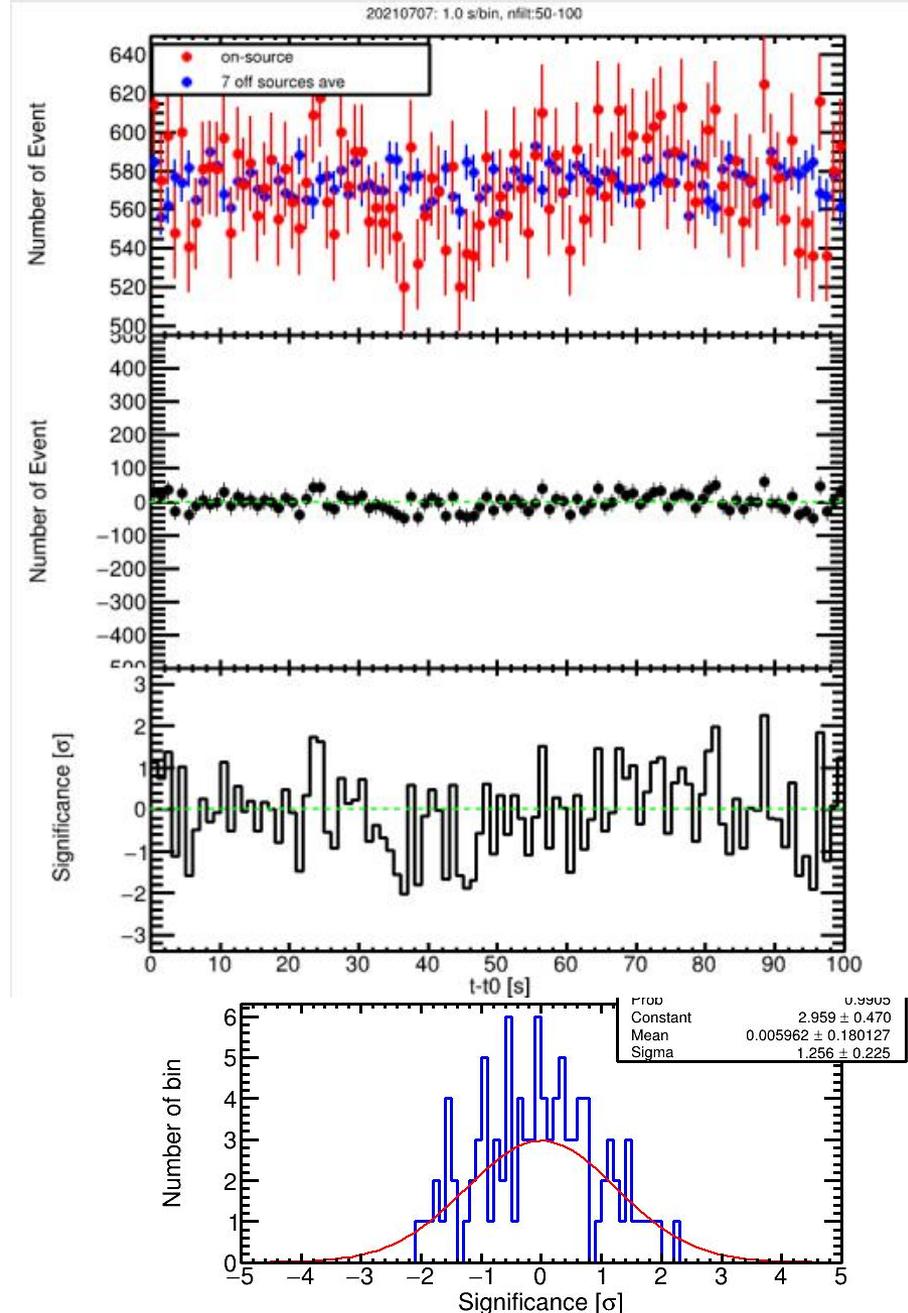
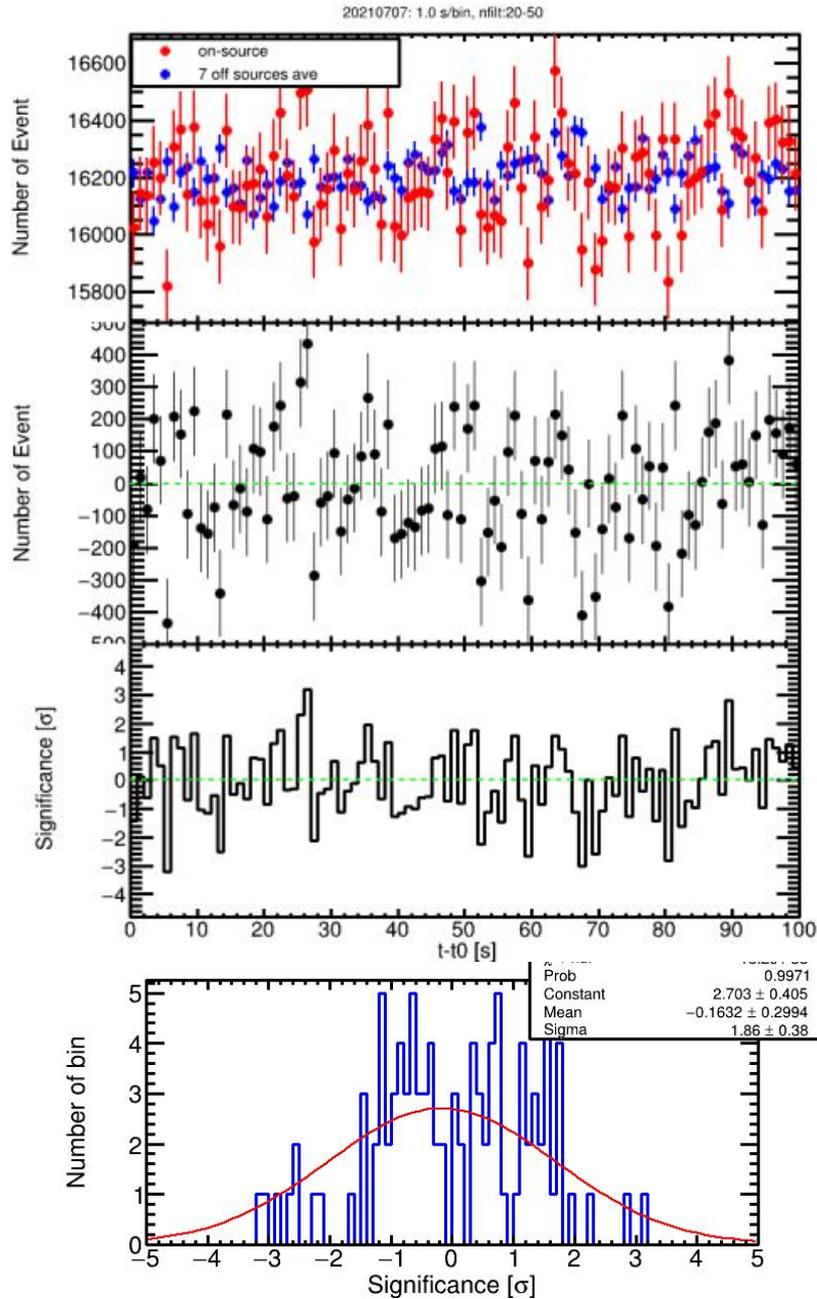
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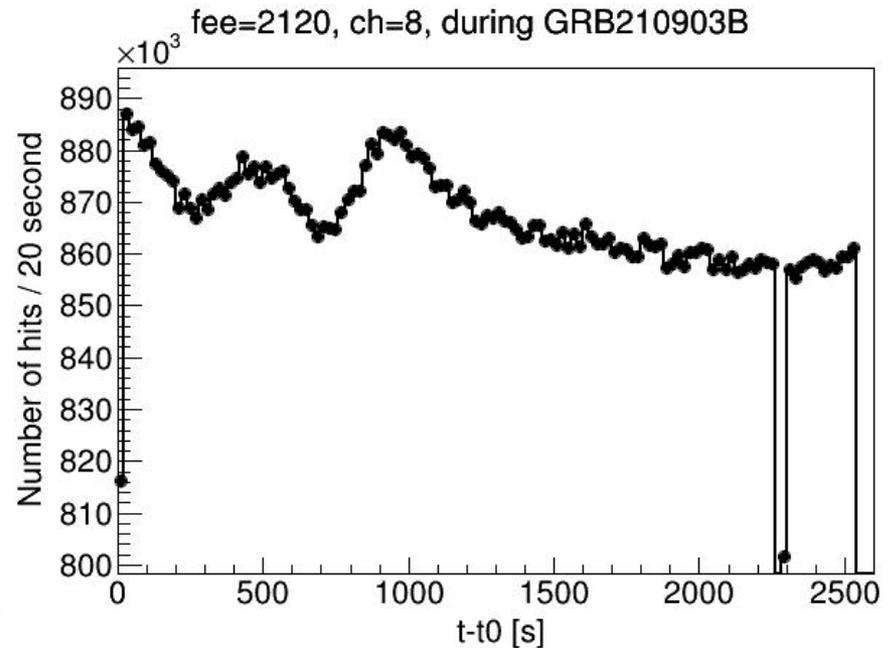
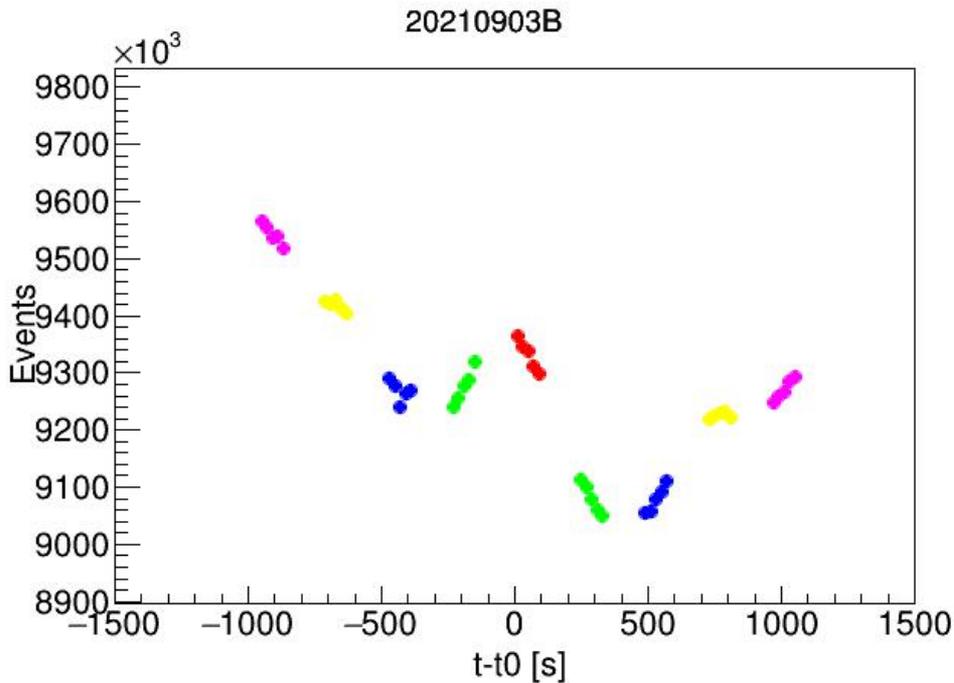
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Light Curve of 20210707



Some current research problems

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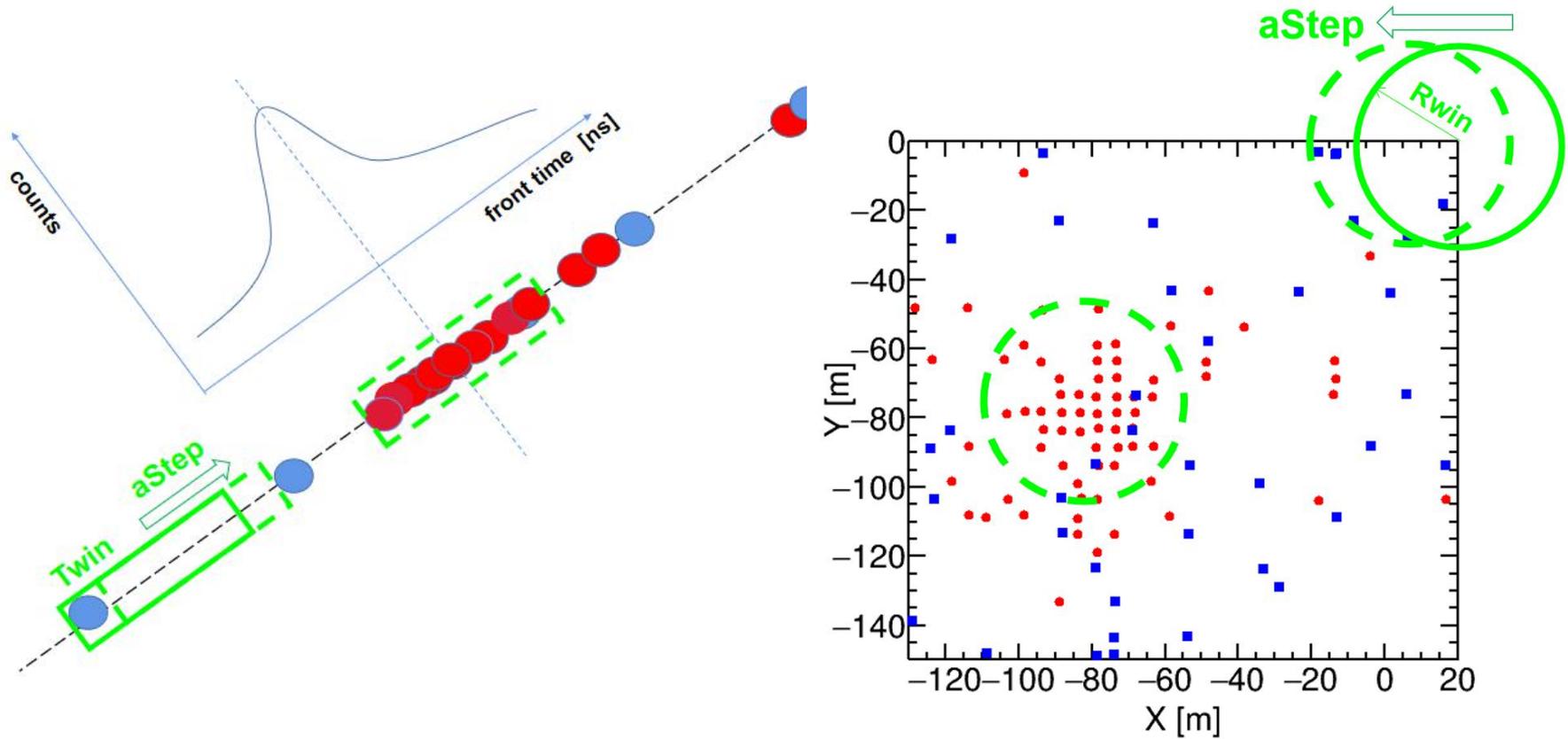


Conclusions . . . and the future

- **A full analysis package of triggerless data from full WCDA has been finished.** More detailed analysis are on the progress.
- We searched for **VHE prompt emission of 25 GRBs** and presented the preliminary results of 2 GRB candidates
- The performed analysis has shown a light curve and map distribution from the different GRB data sets compatible with the distribution expected from background hadronic events, **implying no significant VHE gamma-ray signal** for any of the observed GRB over the duration of LHAASO follow-up.
- **Additional efforts to improve the analysis in the very low energy band are being investigated.**

Backup slides

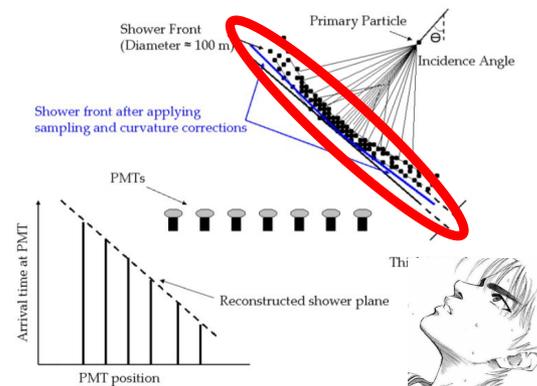
How to “see” gamma rays from GRB



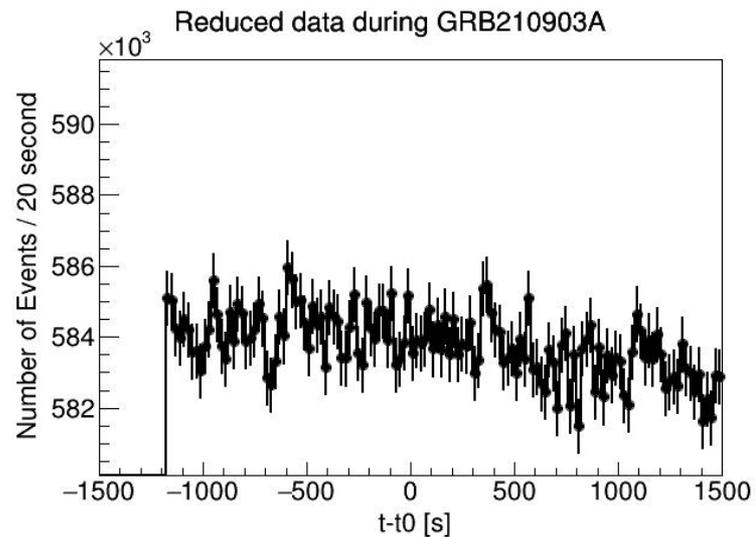
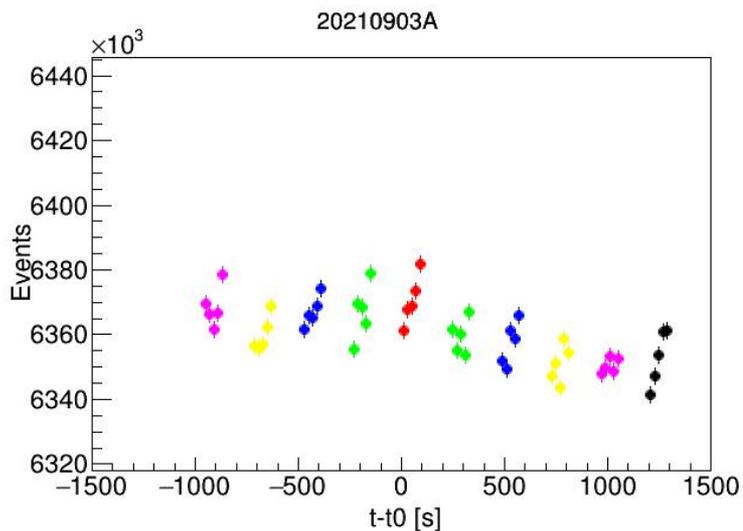
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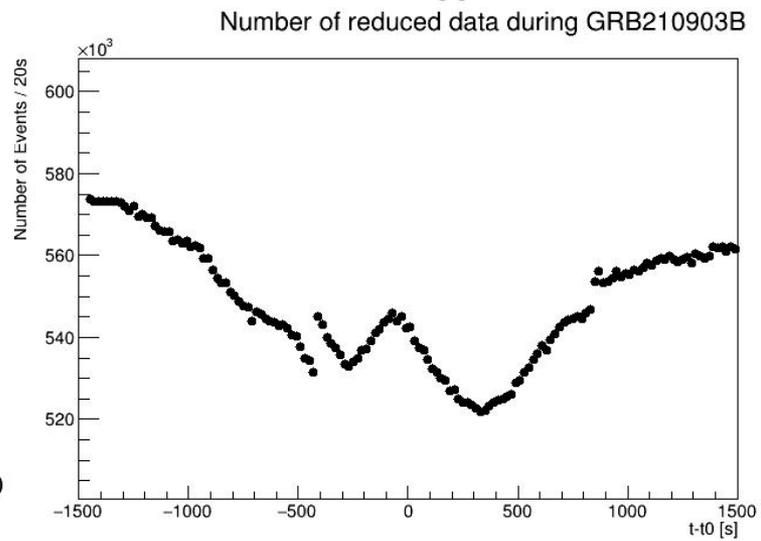
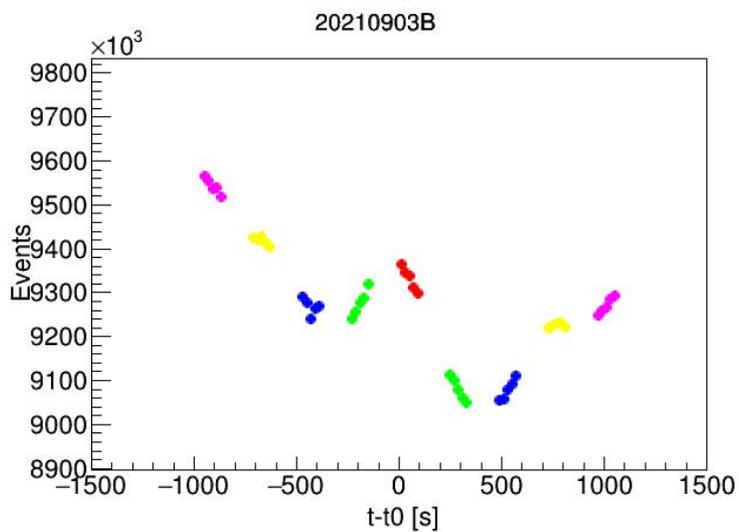
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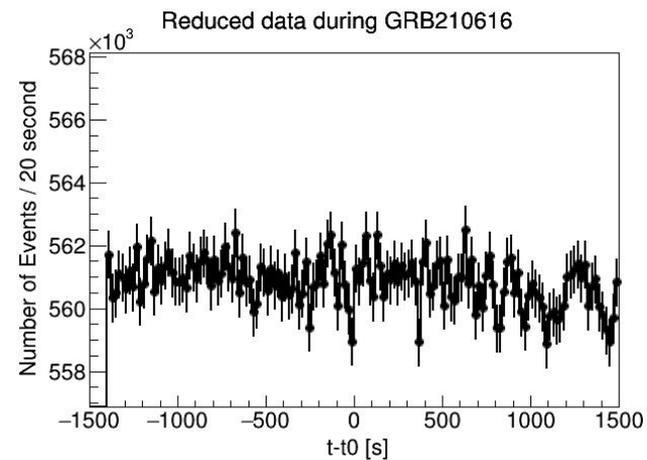
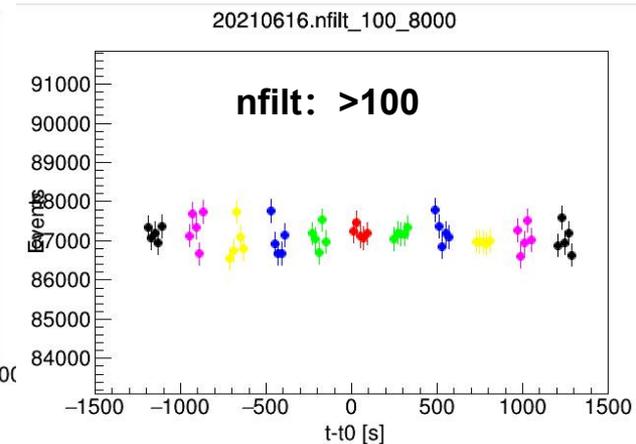
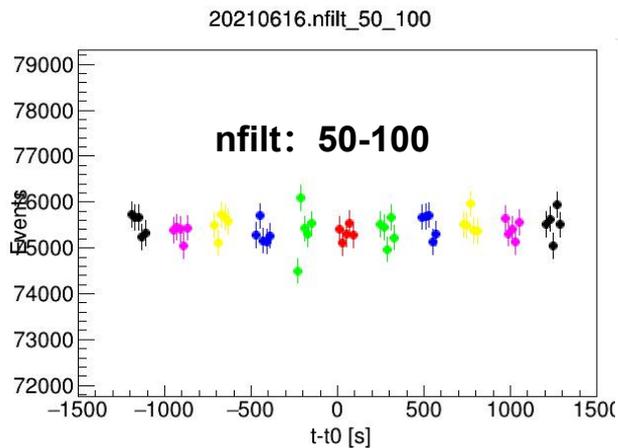
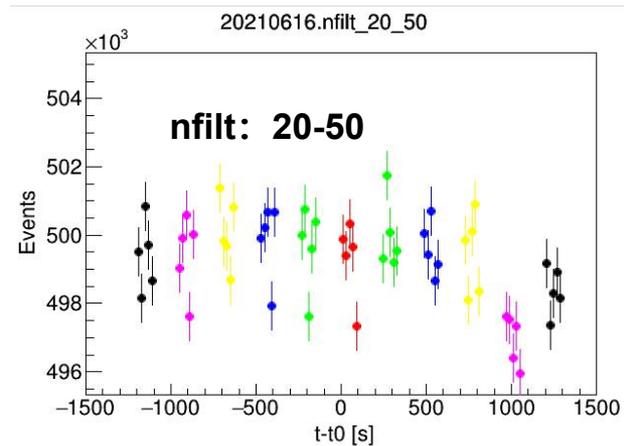
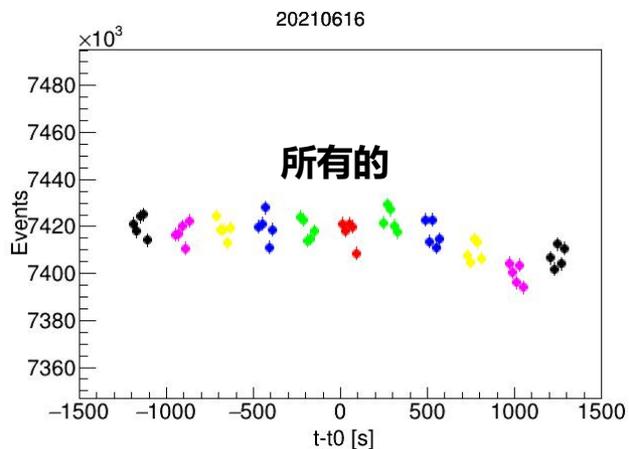
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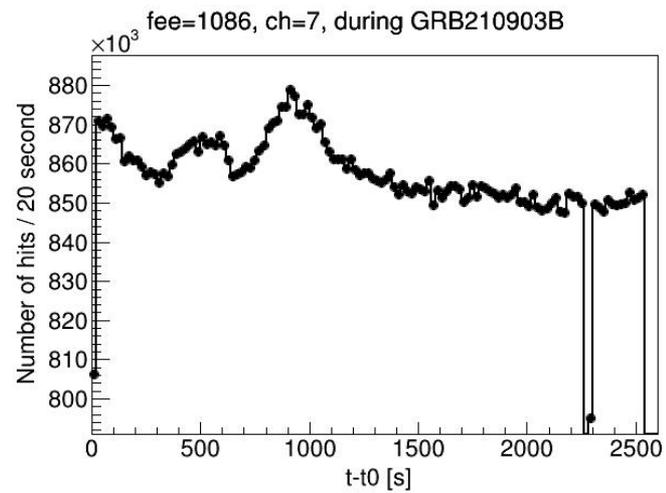
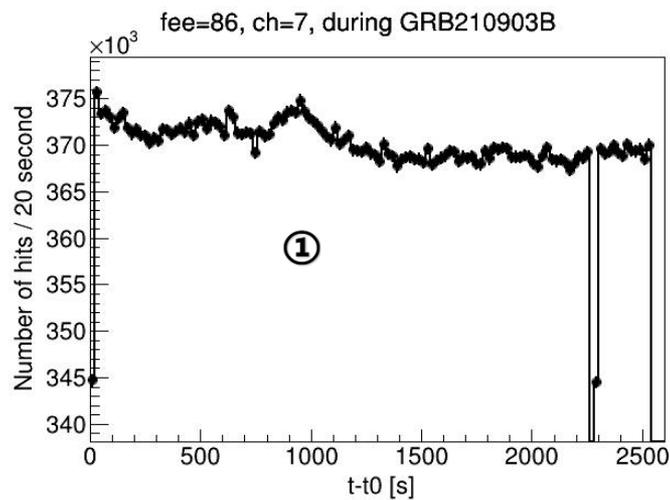
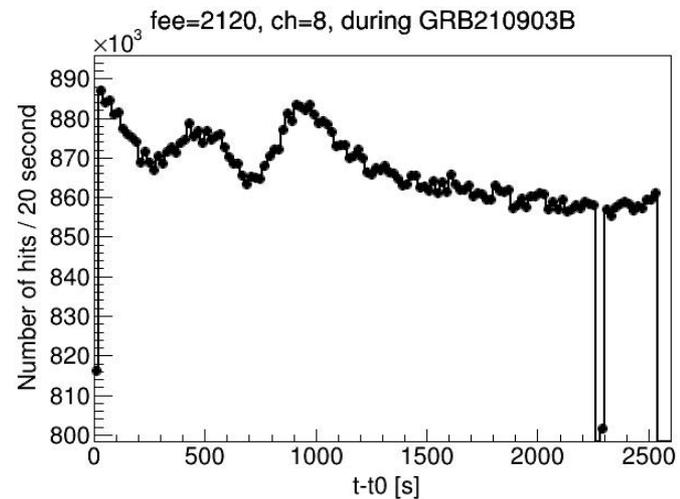
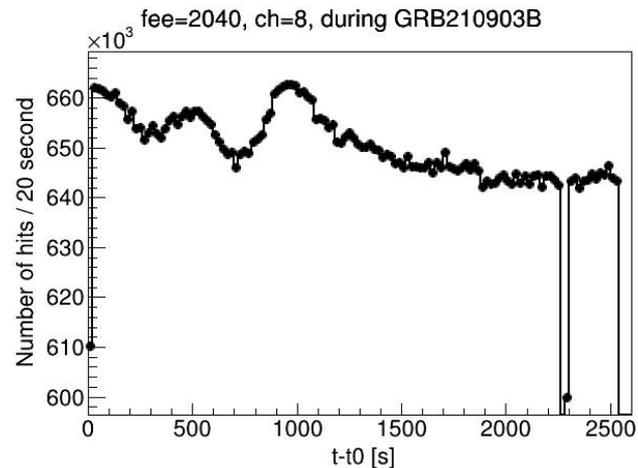
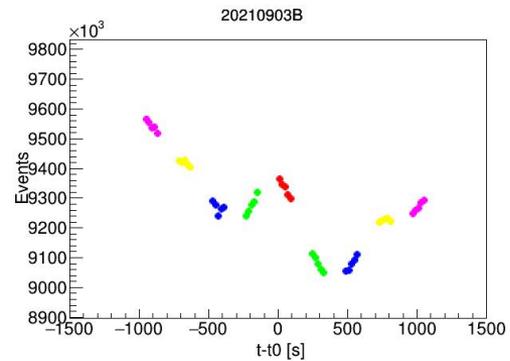
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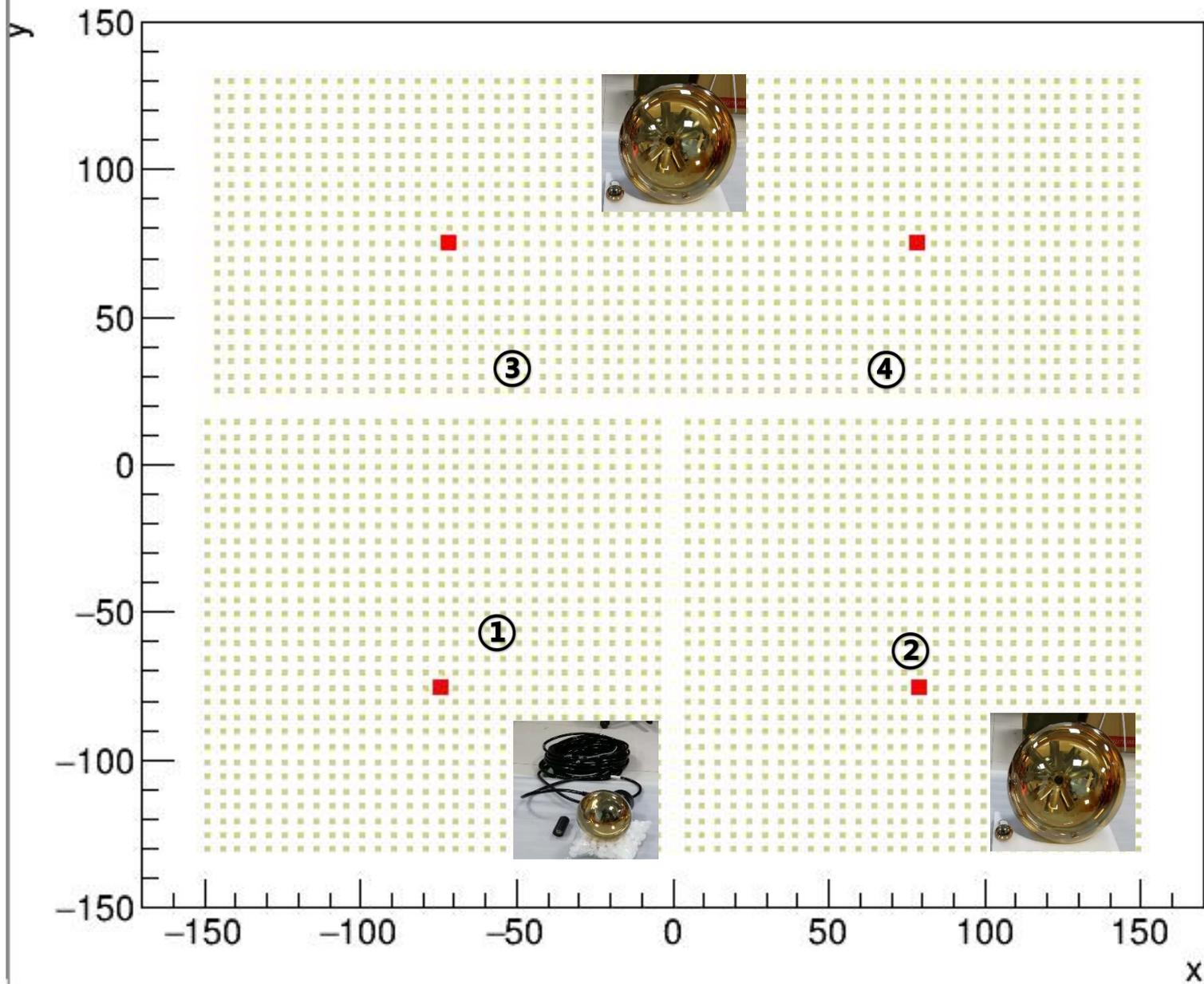
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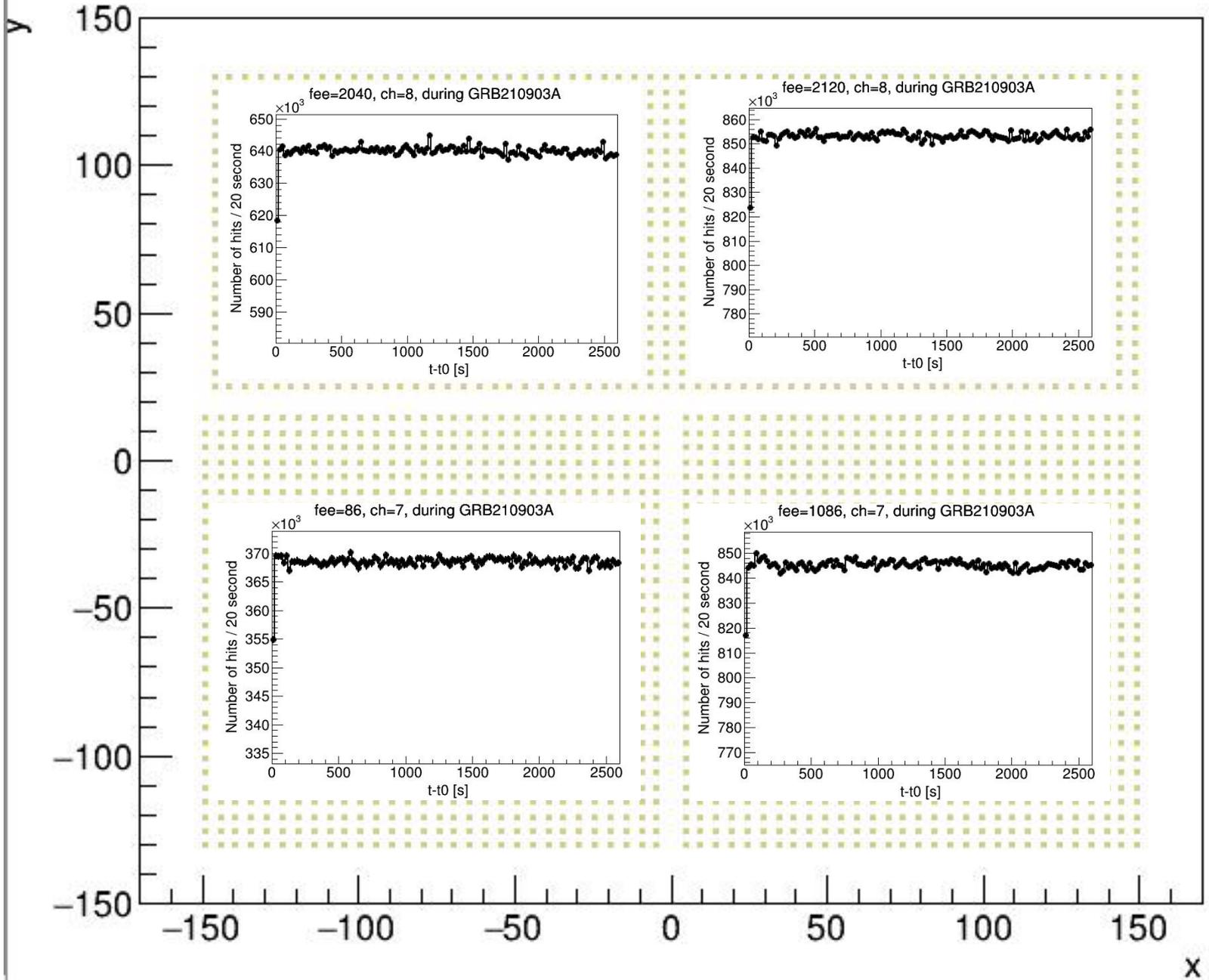
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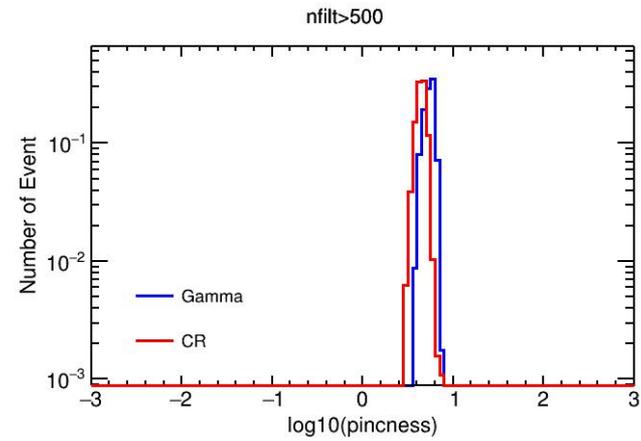
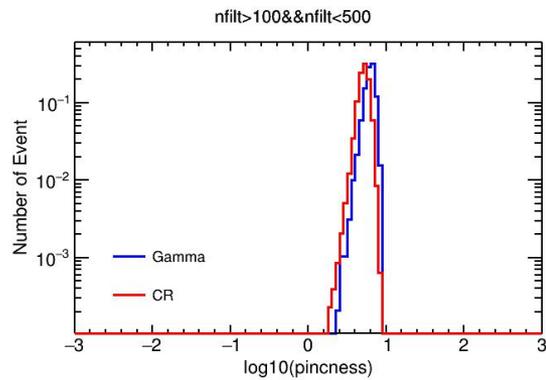
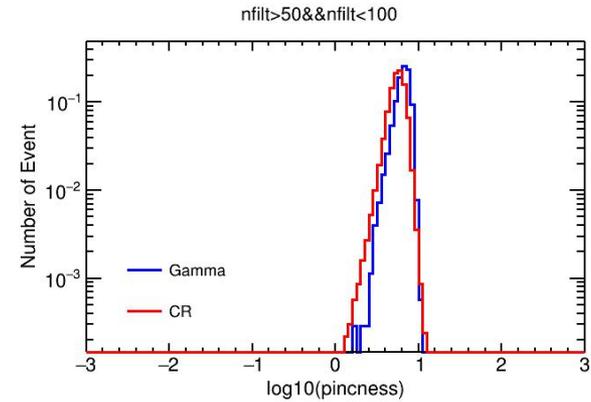
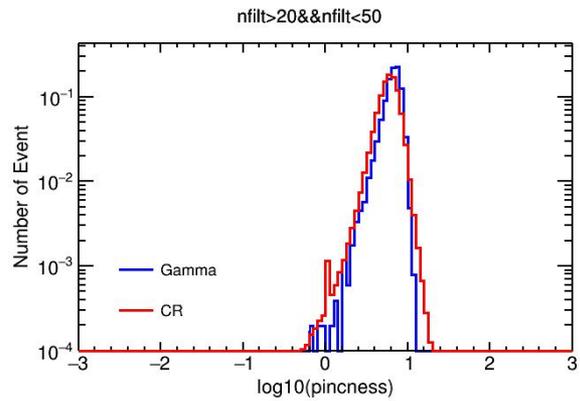
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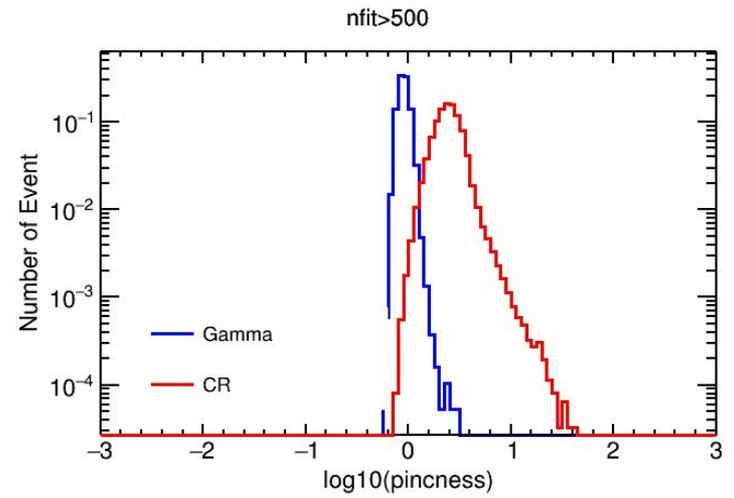
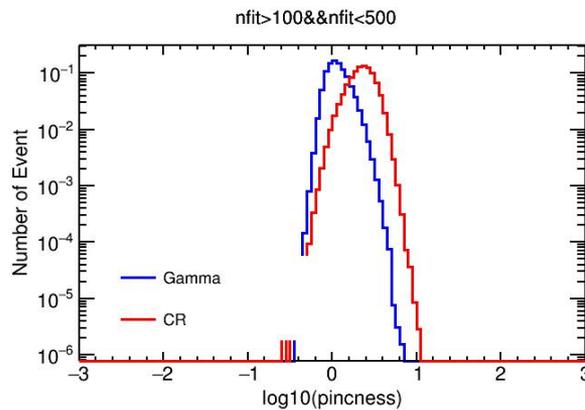
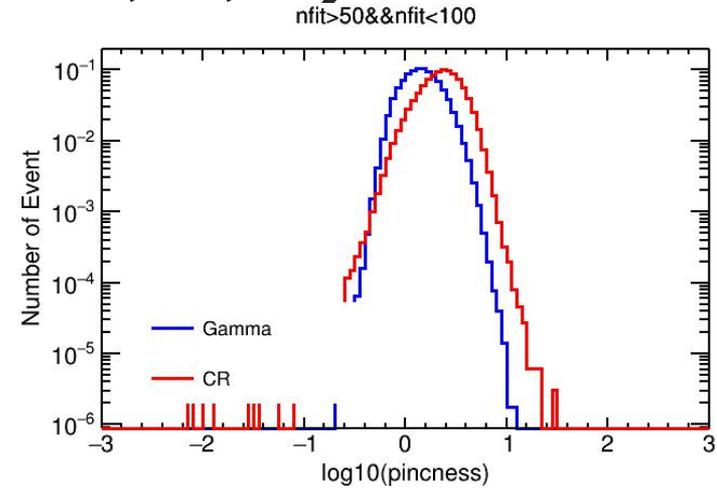
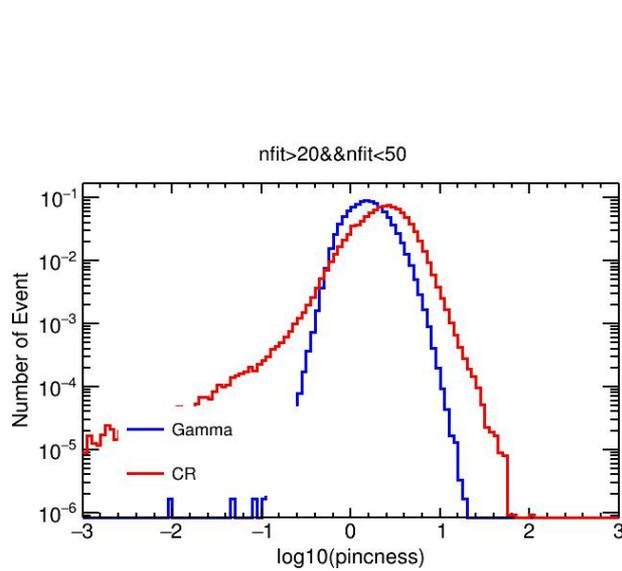
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pinctness的分布 minPE (0.5,0.8,0.8)

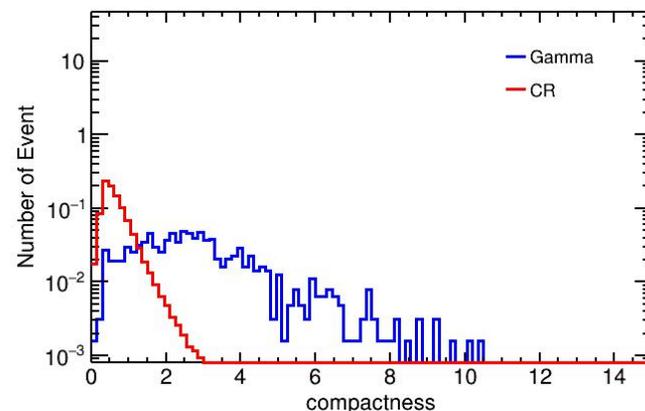
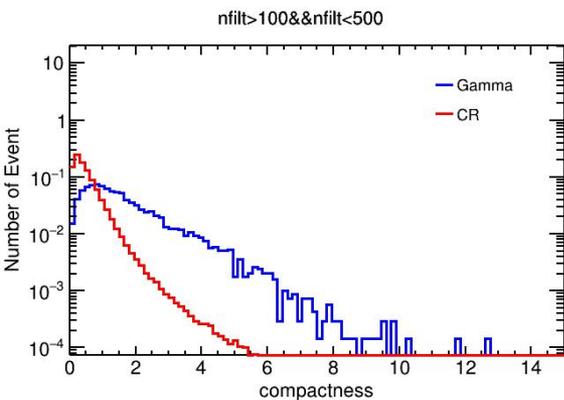
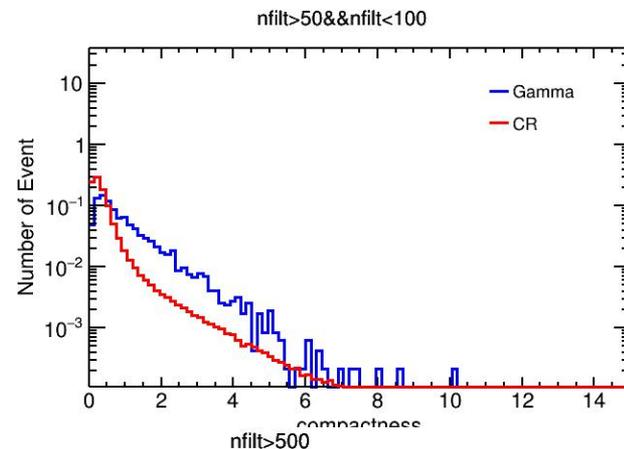
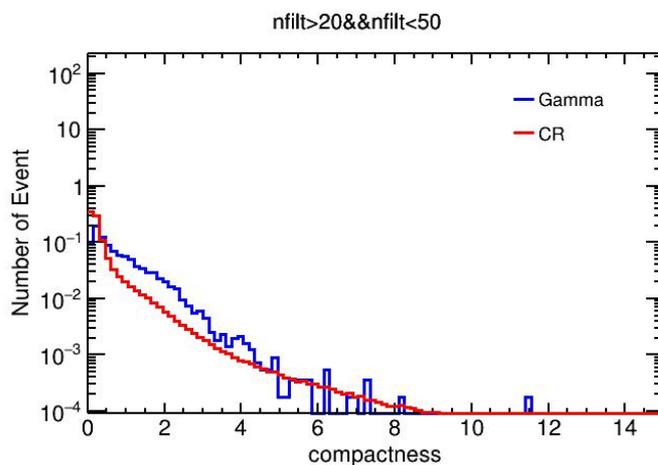


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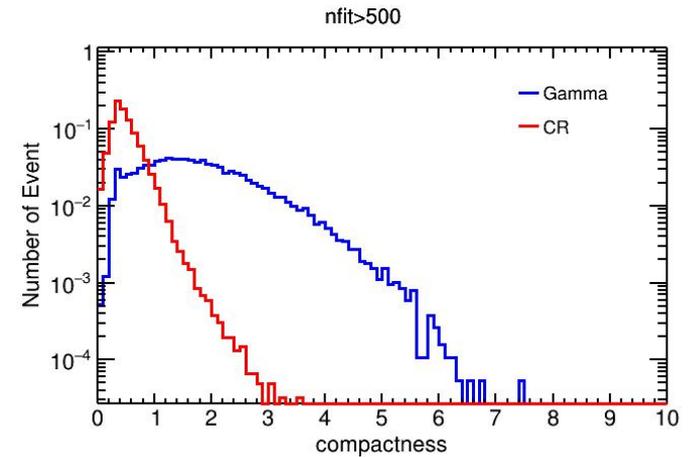
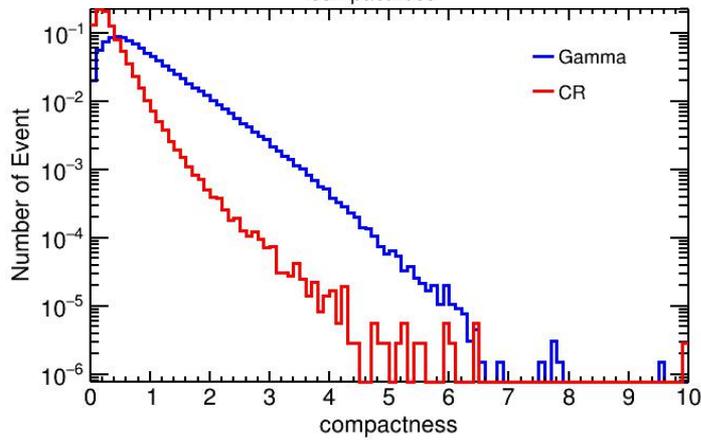
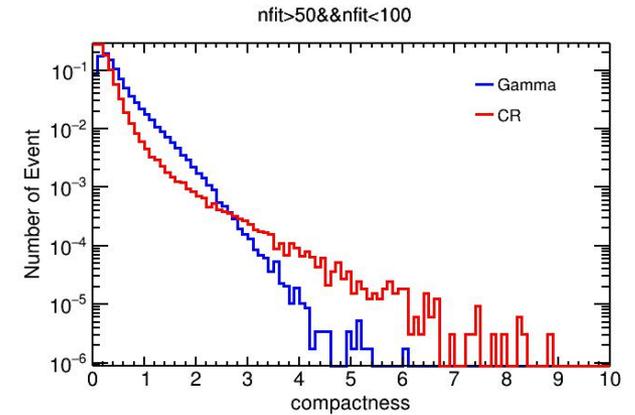
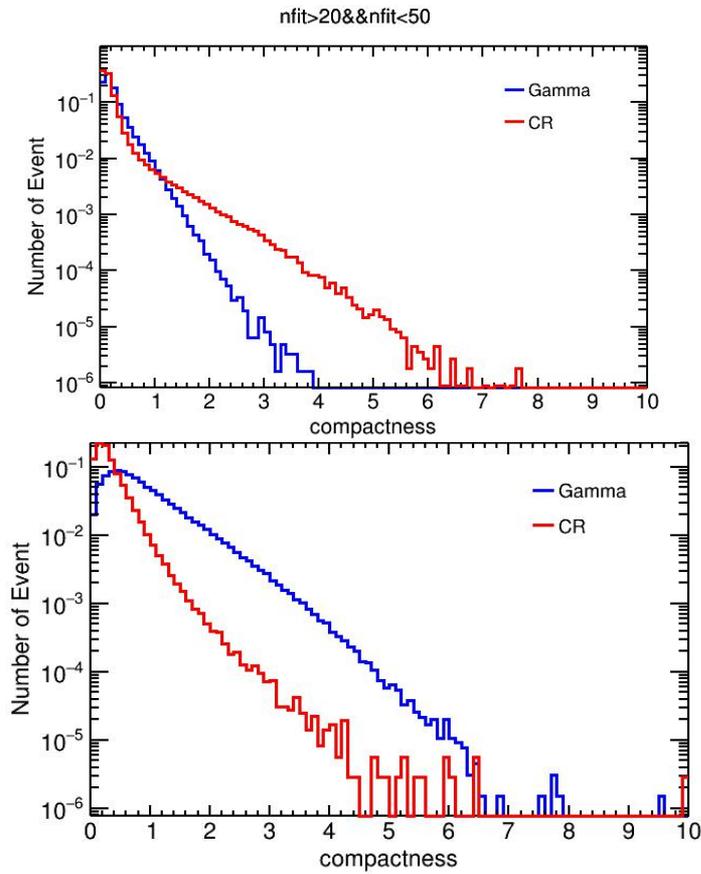


compactness的区分能力minPE (0.5,0.8,0.8)

疑问? (为什么 compactness有小于0的分布?)
45米之外没有hit, 从而最大电荷为初始值



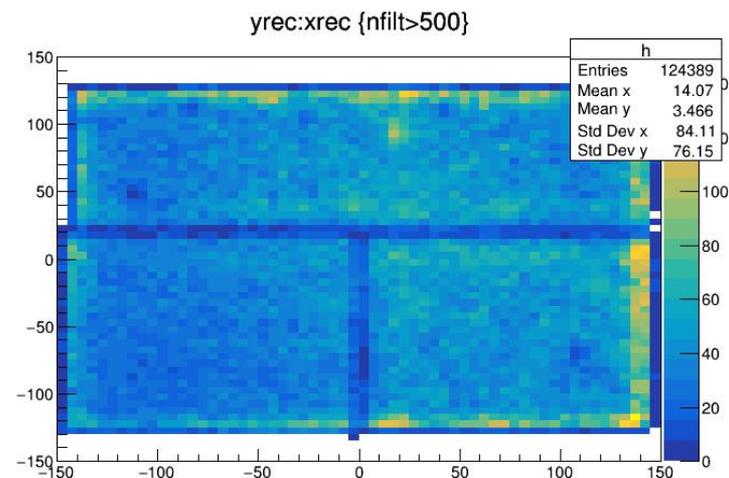
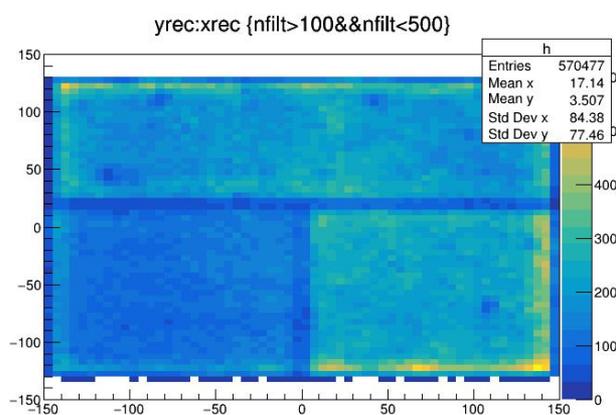
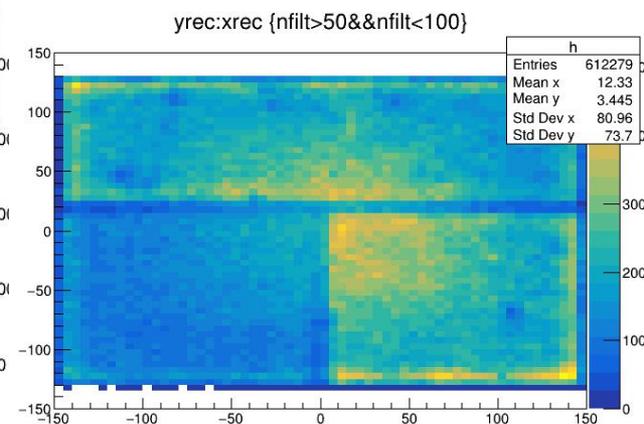
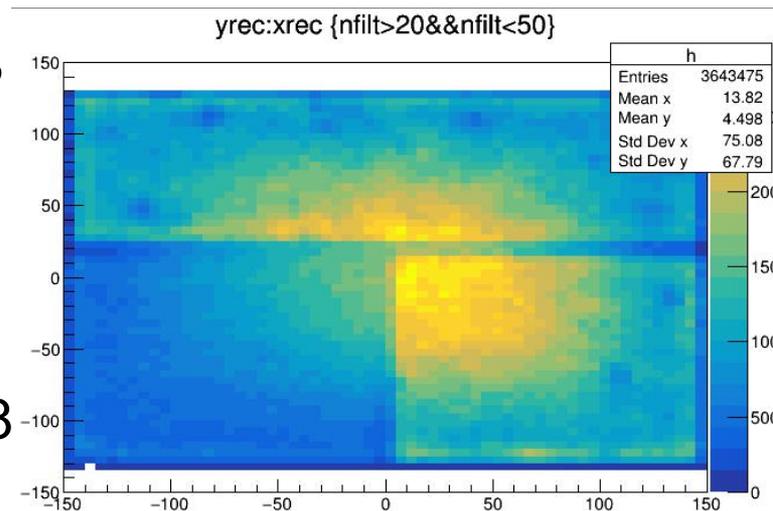
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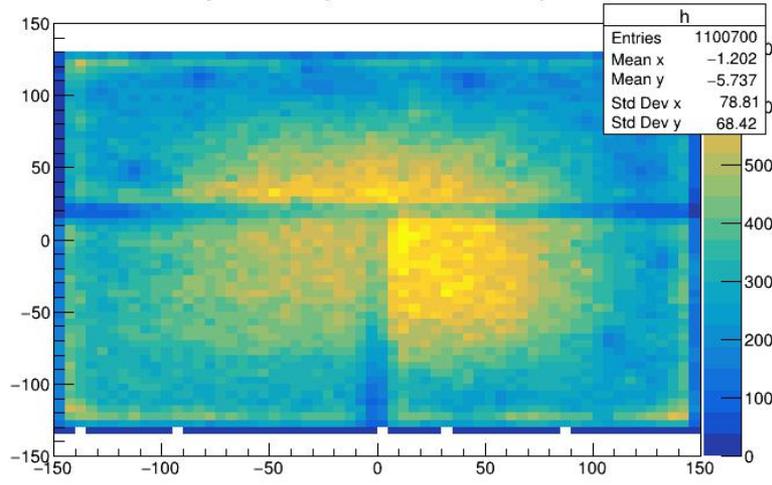
考虑使用平面拟合?

调节阈值?

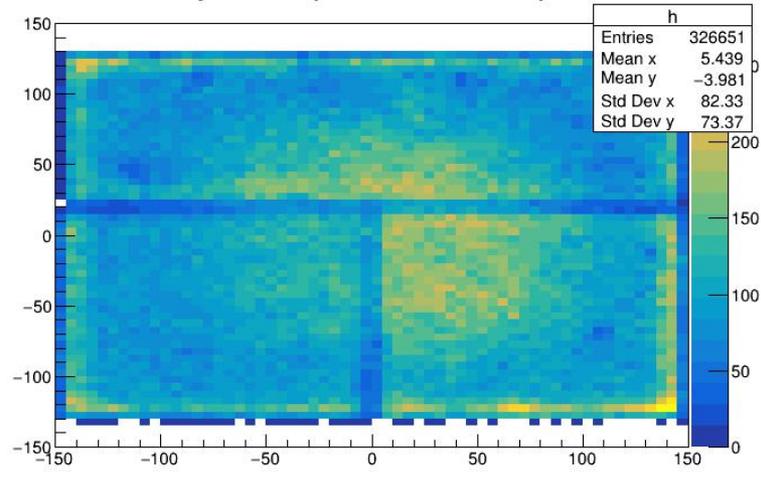
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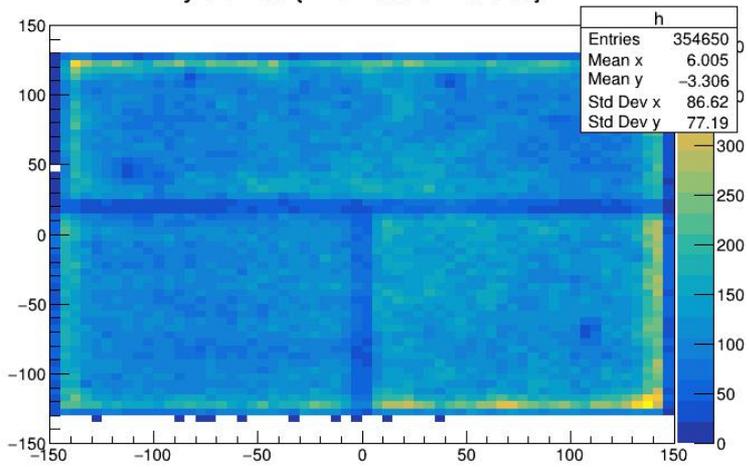


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minPE:
0.5,7,7

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