

K^0 FINDING EFFICIENCIES IN INCREASING LUMINOSITIES

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1. THE pp ENVIRONMENT

In early LHC running it is anticipated that we will obtain luminosities of $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1}$, during which typically only one interaction per event will be obtained. But at higher luminosities, necessary for any Higgs and myriad other searches, we will have to deal with up to 50 distinct primary processes. Most will be minimum bias, and easily distinguished in terms of trigger. They can still, of course, confuse analysis of high P_T events. When it comes to B events, the confusion even from minimum bias events becomes more acute, since B events are not “high P_T ” in this environment. The need for vertex discrimination, particularly in z , is well understood; however, a collateral effect—the increasing difficulty in finding tracks at all—has received little attention. In Figure 1, we show the distribution of the K^0 in the Pythia¹ process $B \rightarrow J/\psi K^0$ in the space γ vs. η . Confusion in reconstructing the K^0 is acute for many reasons, not least of which is the way their pions are boosted forward, and even out of acceptance. Extra luminosity merely increases the problems in finding K^0 s, so it must not be assumed that $10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1}$ is ten times better than $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1}$.

2. THE LUMINOSITY DEPENDENCE IN $B \rightarrow J/\psi K^0$

We have described the CMS trackfinder CMSTR elsewhere.² To illustrate the problem outlined above, we show here how it copes with increasing luminosity and the subsequent effect on finding Bs. Figure 2 shows the track finding luminosity as a function of P_T for varying numbers of events overlying each other. Figure 3 shows the effect on the efficiency of finding a given number of K^0 s in increasing track density. The ψ reconstruction efficiency is barely affected, depending on isolated tracks in the muon system. The subsequent reconstruction efficiency of Bs in increasing luminosity comes from the convolution of the two daughter particle efficiencies, and as we go from 1 to 2 to 3 overlying events, resembles, therefore, the K^0 graphs.

3. CONCLUSIONS

Estimates of CP reach³ as a function of time are fraught with danger. Track finders at future colliders must be robust.

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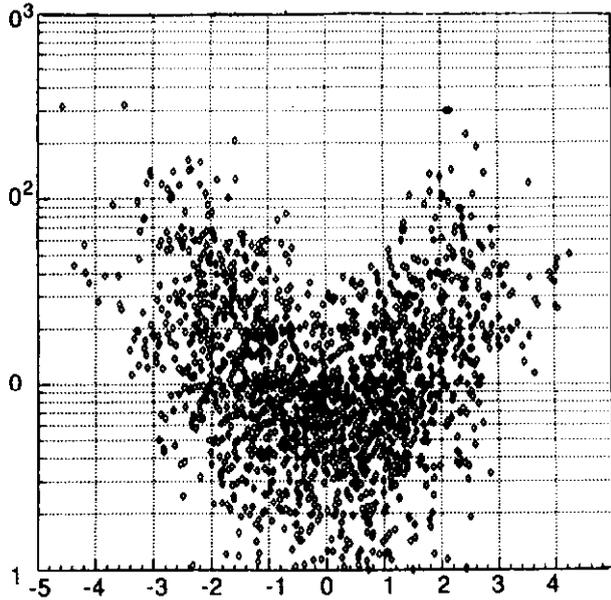


Figure 1. The distribution of K^0 s from B decay in γ (boost) vs. η space.

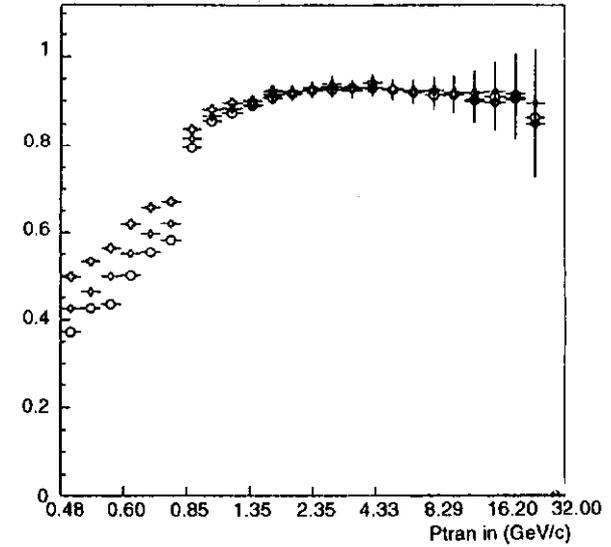


Figure 2. The trackfinding efficiency as a function of P_T . Different symbols refer to 1,2,3-event pile-up.

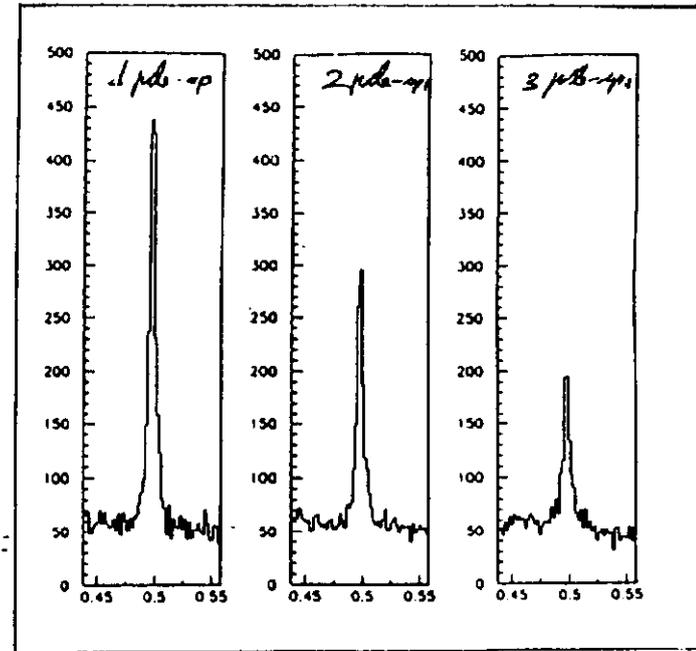


Figure 3. K^0 peaks in 1,2,3-event pile-up from same number of events.