


Tests for the streaming readout mode

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Moving to the streaming readout mode

- Our experience with the streaming readout was not so good. When we tested it last time, we used Raul's Python DAQ, and it hung in a few seconds due to too large data(?).
- Another experience of ours is that RCDAQ never hung.
- It's worth testing the streaming readout with RCDAQ now.
- Raul gave us an instruction to operate INTT in the streaming readout mode:

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Raul Cecato 10:00

You can try to run it with the following tweaks:

scheduler: `/home/phnxrc/operations/INTT/intt_cosmics_streamed.scheduler`

n_collisions: 128

open_time: any value ≤ 500

Enabling of Felix channels should be the very last thing done. After configuration and after `gtm_startrun`.

This should give us streamed readout and a force accept of about 15KHz

Measurements

- Date: Aug/14/2023
- Run: 25563 - 25570
- No magnetic field
- Some runs at the beginning are for the study of noise conditions. We made a new list of noisy channels to mask them. Streaming readout tests were conducted with the new masks.
- We also tried measurements with $DAC0 = 15$ or 25 .
- After confirming cosmic tracks, we performed a long run (only for 10 min) with the new masks and $DAC0 = 25$.
- At the end of the measurements, we took data in BigPartition global mode together with MVTX (run).

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Genki Nukazuka

Testing the streaming readout mode at 75 kHz

Tests of the streaming readout mode at 75 kHz.

The configuration for the streaming readout mode at 75 kHz: /home/phnxc/operations/INTT/intt_cosmics_streamed_75KHz.scheduler

Time	Run	Run Length (min)	dsa	n_collisions	modebits	DAC0	Rate (kHz)	Comment
19:54	25571	30sec-1 min		8	95	25	75	by mistake
20:03	25572	1 min		128	95	25	75	
20:18	25573	1 min		128	95	25	15	for comparison

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Misaki Hata

Measurement by self trigger

8/14 streaming readout mode

default : n_coll =128 . mode bit= 95. opentime =35 . DAC0=15 .

conclusion :

run 25566 : DAC0=25

run 25568 : We tried to mask the chip for some hot channels which cannot be masked by channel level.

But, we could not mask even we used chip mask.

Time	Run	Run Length (min)	Event(intt0s packet)	setting	trigger	purpose
14:57	25563		1766219(roughly)			
16:02	25564		4890121			test the chip mask command
16:37	25565	2	13G			update masking list & rate cut 0.4 from run 25564
16:45	25566	2	6462729			threshold is changed
17:14	25567	2	6662387			update masking list & rate cut 0.2 from run 25564
17:49	25568		647587			short run & test the chip masking for some hot channels
18:04	25570	10	20422893			long run

<https://sphenix-intra.sdcc.bnl.gov/WWW/eelog/INTT/432>

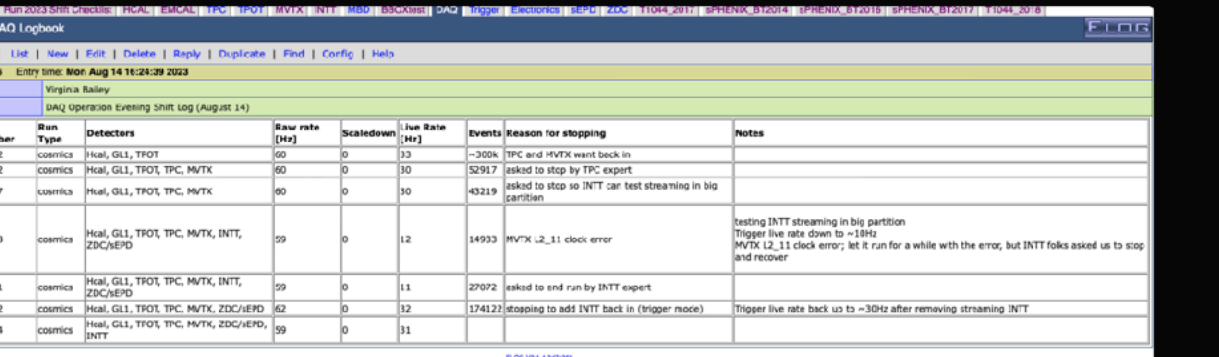
Genki Nukazuka 10:44
I'm not sure whether here is the right channel... But anyway, it's better than nothing.

We tested the streaming readout mode in the BigPartition global mode together with MVTX on Aug/14. I should have let you know right after the measurement... Sorry. The run is 25575. We could see cosmic tracks when tested in the local mode, so the run should also have cosmic hits on INTT though that mode is still under test. E-Log for the run is <https://sphenix.intra.sdcc.bnl.gov/WWW/elog/DAQ/446>

Cameron Dean 10:51
Hi @Genki Nukazuka, thanks. Ill process the equivalent run and see if we notice a BCO with a cosmic we can try to correlate with the INTT

Yasser Morales 10:51
Hi @Genki Nukazuka thank you for let us know, do you have any documentation how your streaming readout work? how we can correlate data with time (BCO)

Ming Liu 11:21
I assume the INTT data is packaged per BCO, right? @Genki Nukazuka



The screenshot shows the sPHENIX DAQ Logbook for August 14, 2023. It displays a table of detector events with columns for Time, Run Number, Detector, Beam rate (Hz), Scaled down, Live Rate (Hz), Events, Reason for stopping, and Notes. The table lists several events, including one at 5:10pm (Run 25575) where the INTT detector stopped streaming in big partition mode due to a trigger live rate down to -33Hz. Another event at 7:00pm (Run 25581) shows the INTT detector stopped due to a trigger live rate down to -33Hz. The table also shows events where the INTT detector was triggered by a cosmic ray.

Time	Run Number	Detectors	Beam rate (Hz)	Scaled down	Live Rate (Hz)	Events	Reason for stopping	Notes
5:10pm	25575	HCAL_G1, TPC, INTX, INTX	80	0	13	3038	TPC and INTX went back in	
5:10pm	25575	HCAL_G1, TPC, INTX, INTX	80	0	13	3038	INNT stopped by TPC export	
5:10pm	25577	HCAL_G1, TPC, INTX, INTX	80	0	30	4211	asked to stop so INNT can test streaming in big partition	
6:30pm	25579	HCAL_G1, TPC, INTX, INTX, INTX	59	0	12	14933	INVTX_12_31 clock error	Testing INTT streaming in big partition Trigger live rate down to -33Hz INVTX_12_31 clock error, let it run for a while with the error, but INTT fails asked us to stop and recover
7:00pm	25581	HCAL_G1, TPC, INTX, INTX, INTX	59	0	11	27072	asked to end run by INTT expert	
7:42pm	25583	HCAL_G1, TPC, INTX, INTX, INTX	82	0	32	174122	asked to add INNT back in (trigger mode)	Trigger live rate back up to -33Hz after removing streaming INNT
8:35pm	25584	HCAL_G1, TPC, INTX, INTX, INTX	59	0	31			

Cameron Dean 12:44
@Genki Nukazuka I think I found a couple of cosmic (there will be plenty more but this is just a test for now). I see something in BCO's 48339C297434 and 485022583859. I think our BCO triggers are 1 ahead of you but we have a large readout window as well

Ming Liu 13:05
nice

Genki Nukazuka 14:16
Unfortunately, we don't make a document for the INTT streaming readout yet...
Data itself is just same as those taken in the trigger mode. So by comparing BCO, we can correlate detectors.
I recently knew that the current INTT streaming readout mode also accepts trigger. The HCAL cosmic trigger was on in the measurement on Monday. I means what we got is mixture of streaming readout hits and triggered hits. Streaming readout hits dominate statistically. So it's not a problem, but it's good to know.

Zhaozhong Shi 14:17
Excellent
Cameron also verify this

I let the MVTX group know about the run together with MVTX.

<https://chat.sdcc.bnl.gov/sphenix/pl/noxeecdddbfnpdjmwq7sd1frze>

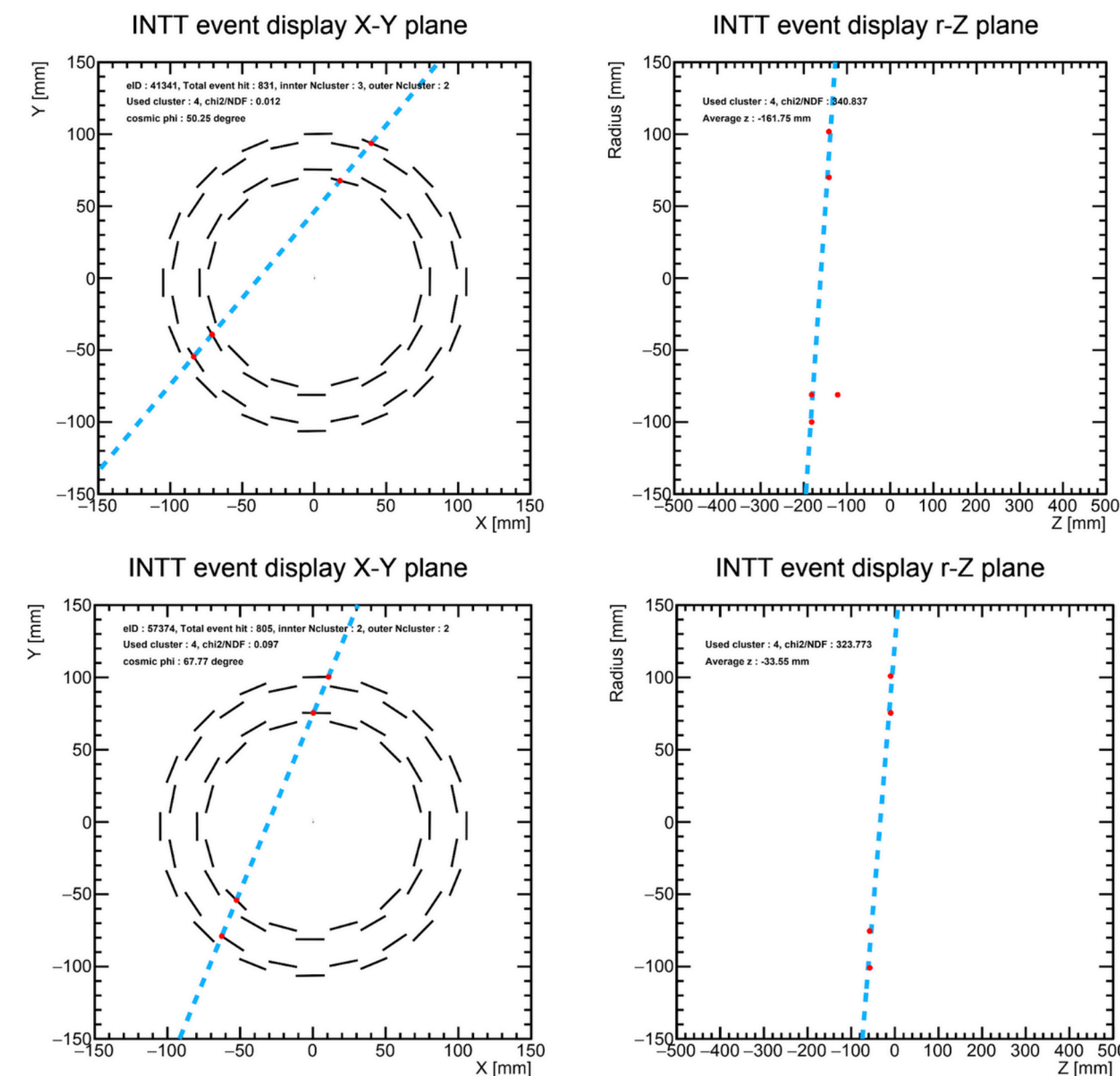
Measurements

- We could find some cosmic tracks in the online analysis by Cheng-Wei. The results were reported at the shift change meeting the next day.
- We need to have a look at the data. Who can do it?
- When streaming INTT joins to the global mode, the trigger rate of the HCAL cosmic dropped from 25 Hz to 10 Hz.

6:34pm	25578	cosmics	Hcal, GL1, TPOT, TPC, MVTX, INTT, ZDC/sEPD	59	0	12	14933	MVTX L2_l1 clock error	testing INTT streaming in big partition Trigger live rate down to ~10Hz MVTX L2_l1 clock error; let it run for a while with the error, but INTT folks asked us to stop and recover
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INTT (Cheng-Wei/Genki)

- The test of the streaming readout mode were performed yesterday, and we could find some cosmic tracks. The tests were done in the local mode mainly. We also took a run (#25578) in the global mode together with MVTX.



- We were back to the BigPartition global mode and operating the detector in the trigger mode. We keep this condition for 1-2 days to have some statistics without magnetic field.

The report in the shift change meeting.

I expect a detailed explanation by Cheng-Wei or someone someday...

Another measurement

- Run: 25572 - 25573
- BigPartition local mode
- The streaming readout mode was tested at 15 kHz operation frequency. The frequency can be changed in the INTT scheduler.
- I quickly tested at 15 kHz and 75 kHz
- Raul suggested checking 2 parameters:
 - event counter
 - hit BCO difference

```
phnxrc@opc0:~/operations/INTT$ cat intt_cosmics_streamed_15KHz.scheduler
# modegrp repeat jump target modebitfile
# modebit default value is 0:0x36;95:0x35; (9 August 2023)
0          0      0      0
1          0      0      0      0:0x36;95:0x35;
2          0      0      0      0:0x100
3          3      1      2
```

INTT scheduler for 15 kHz.

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phnxrc@opc0:~/operations/INTT$ cat intt_cosmics_streamed_75KHz.scheduler
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# modebit default value is 0:0x36;95:0x35; (9 August 2023)
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INTT scheduler for 75 kHz.

<https://sphenix-intra.sdcc.bnl.gov/WWW/elog/INTT/433>

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FELIX	#event	$\Delta_i \neq 1$
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INTT7	981093	0

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INTT5	1245172	3
INTT6	1237429	3
INTT7	1229716	2

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0	1556630	1556629	1
1	-1	1556630	-1556631
2	1007545949	-1	1007545950
3	277707	1007545949	-1007268242
4	277708	277707	1
5	277709	277708	1
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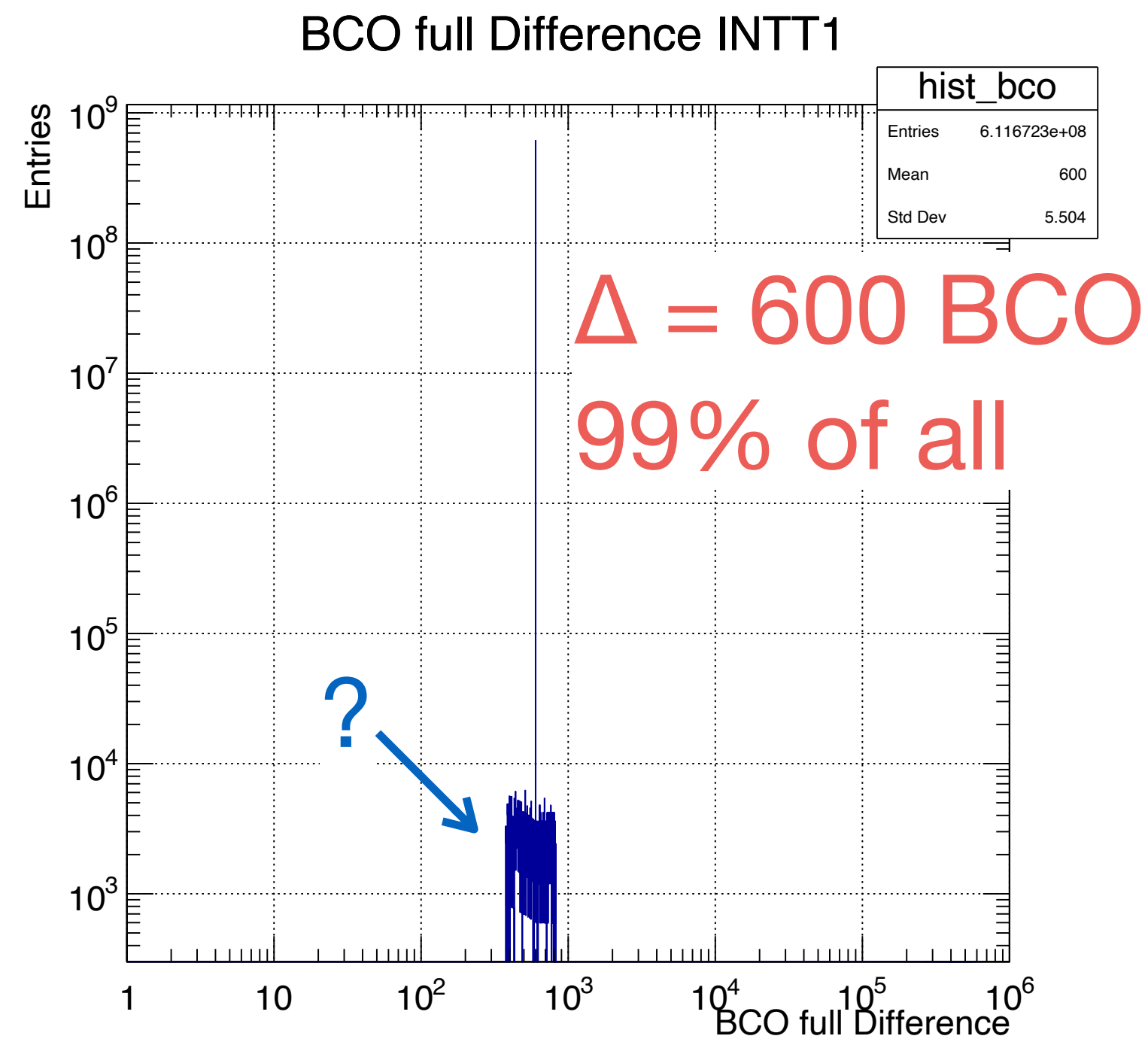
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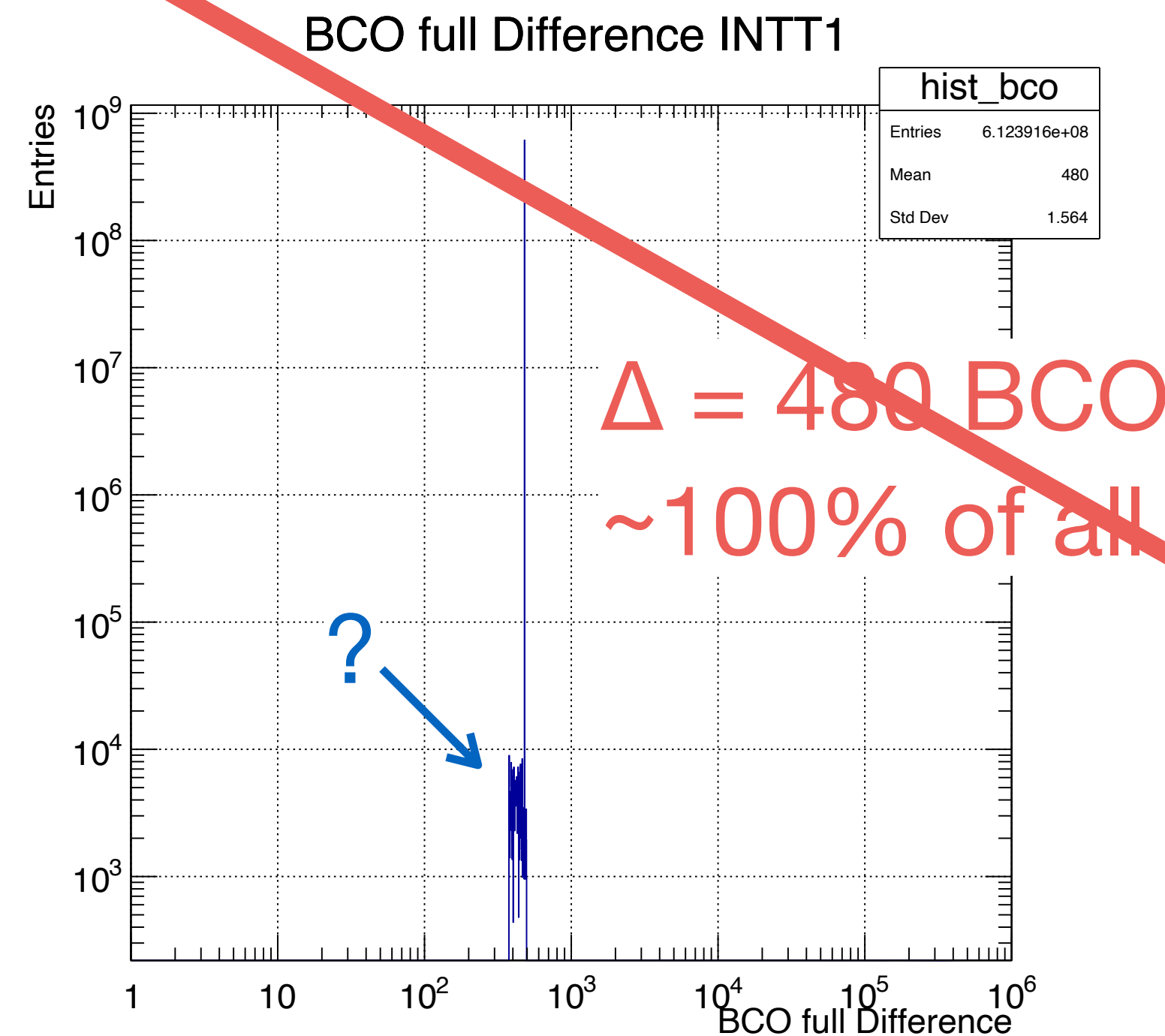
- The difference has to be $f^{-1} / 106$. It means
 - 630 BCOs at 15 kHz
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- I confirmed that all hits in the same event have the same BCO full value.

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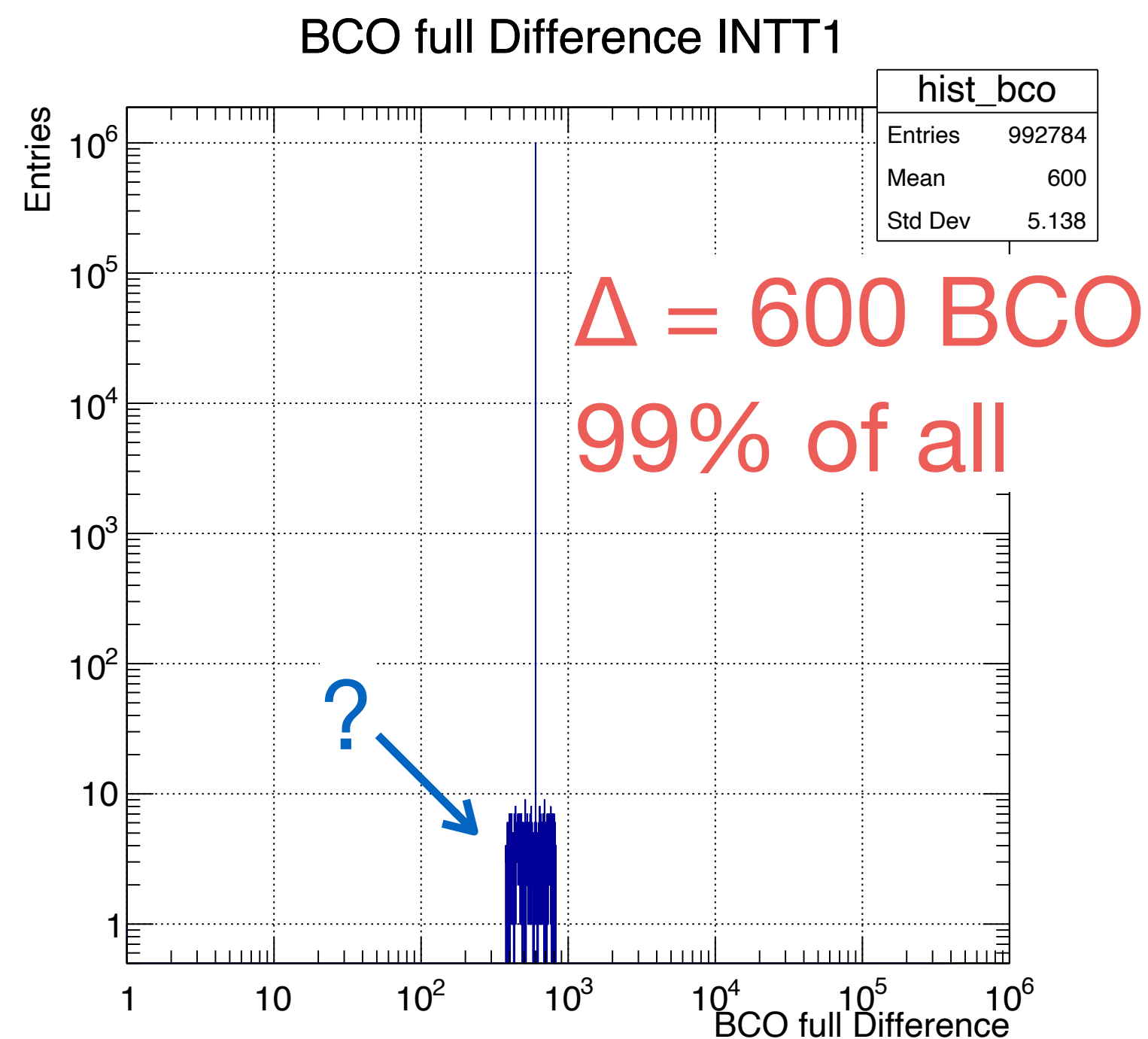
- 15k: 25 = 600:1 or
- 75k: 25 = 3000:1.

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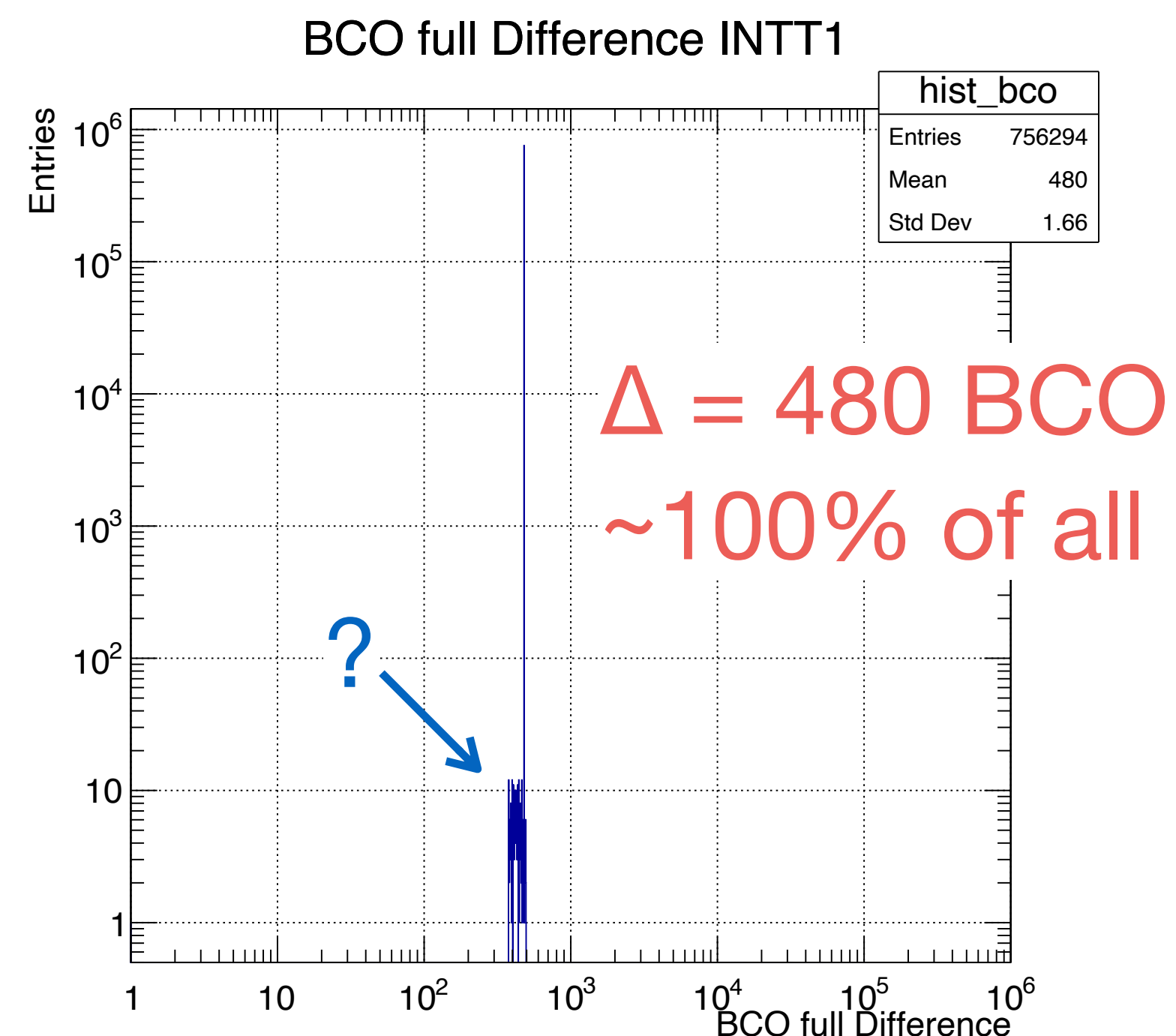
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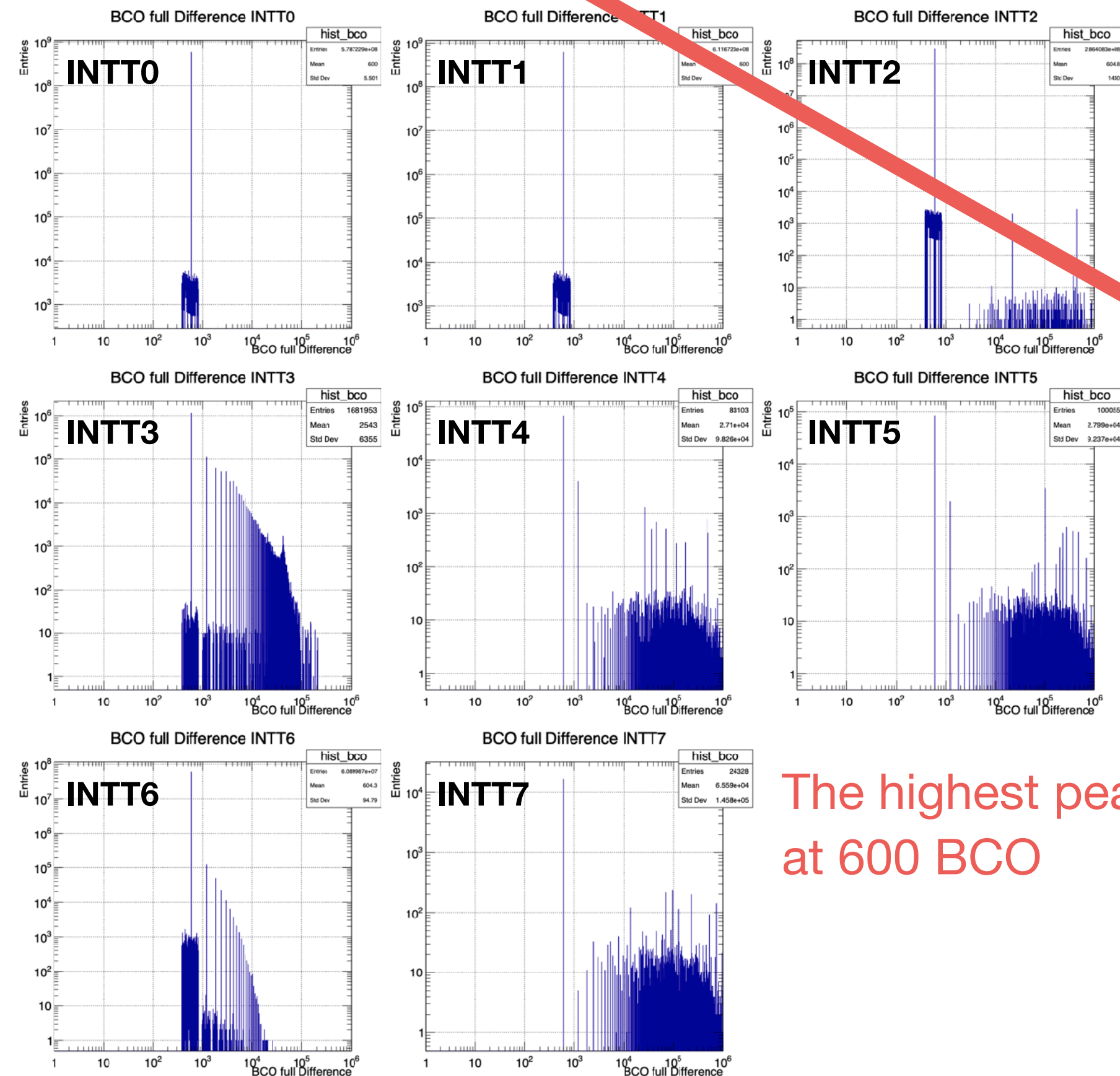
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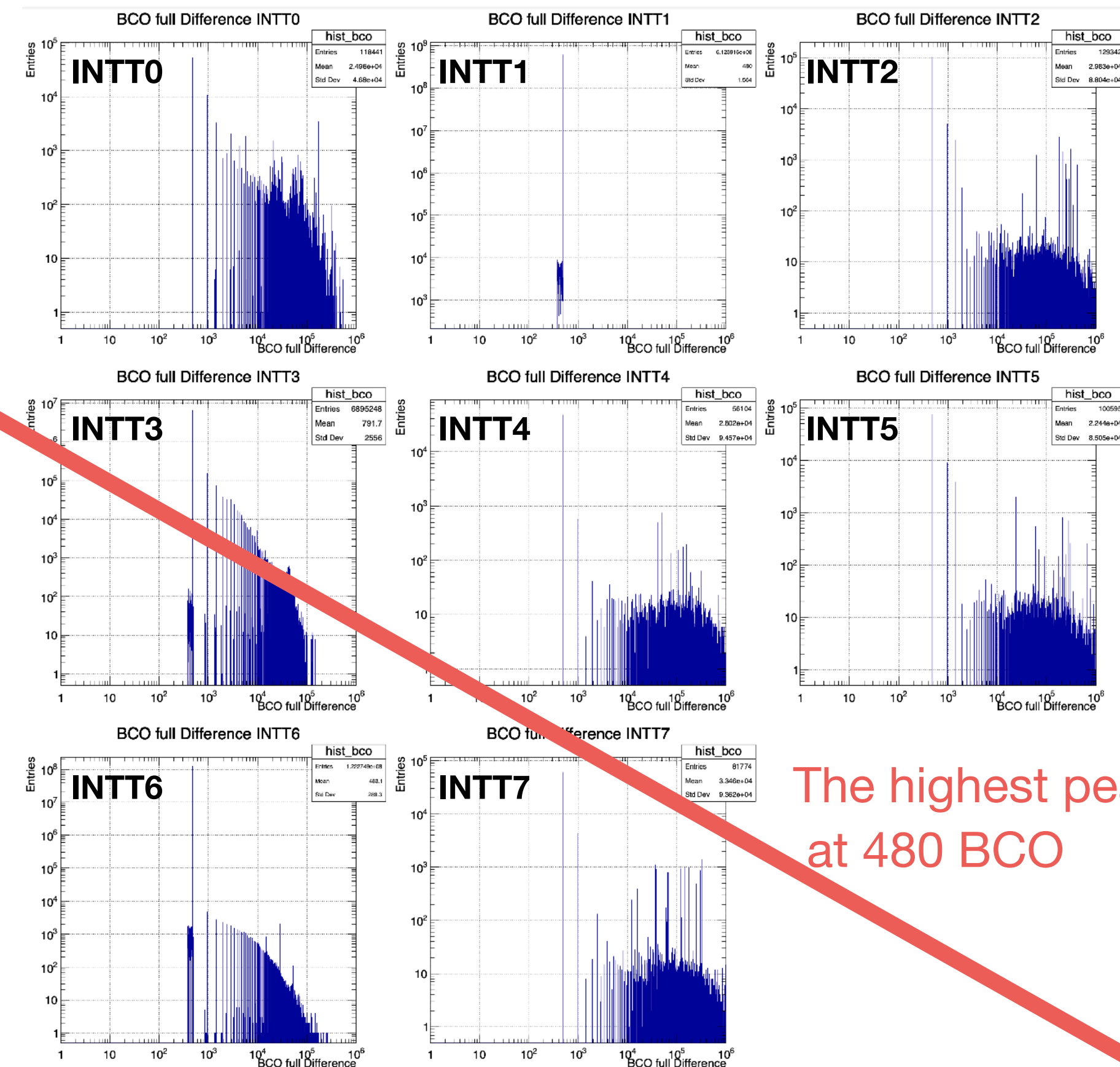
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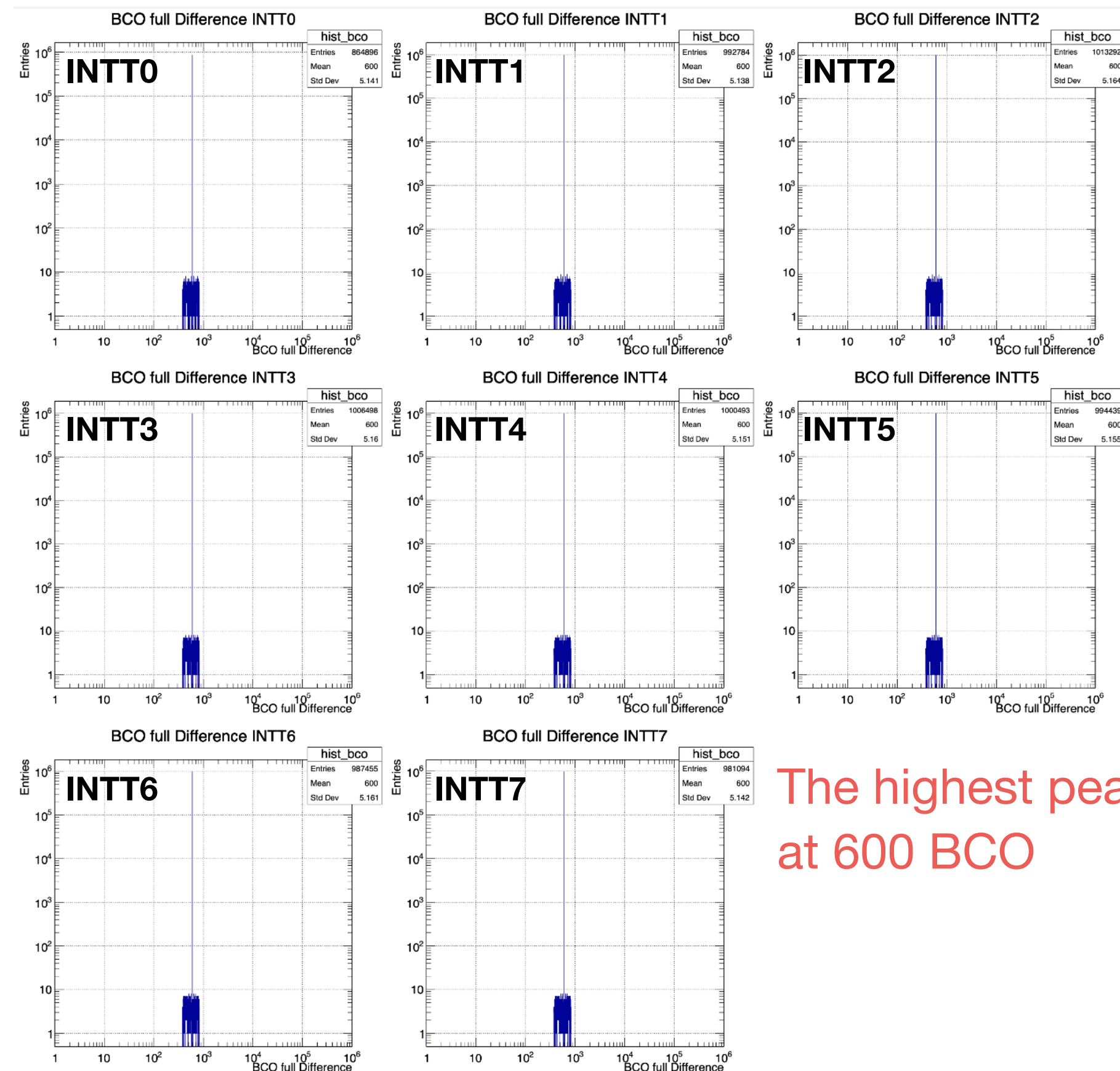
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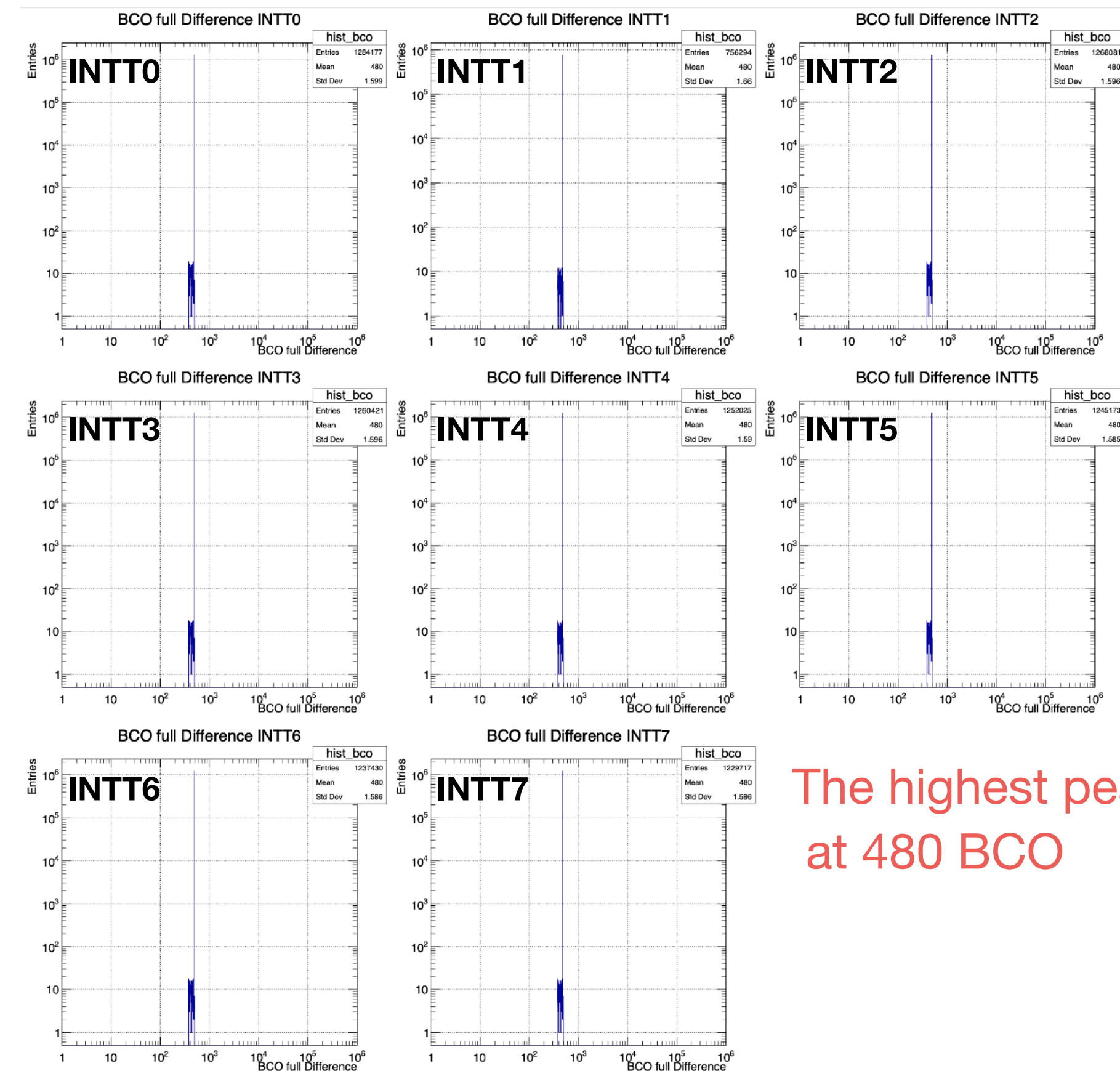
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Next

I made a next plan after discussing the results with Raul

- Measurements without the trigger inputs
- Repeating the same measurements several times to see whether these conditions are reproduced.