

# Simulation of hadronic calorimeter (nHCal)

for  experiment

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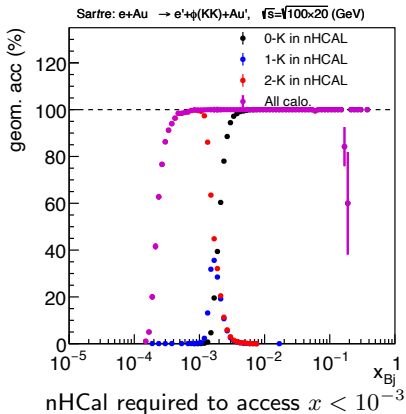
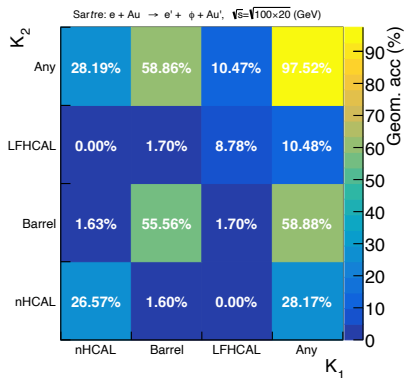
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# Diffractive $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$

- done by the nHCAL group



# Simulations of vector mesons with nHCal

1. files taken from central production campaign ( $e + Au$ )  $\rightarrow$  marked as **campaign**
  - simulated with *Sartre* event generator (specialized for exclusive diffractive VM production)
  - EPIC/RECO/26.02.0/epic\_craterlake/
    - $\hookrightarrow$  EXCLUSIVE/DIFFRACTIVE\_PHI\_ABCONV
    - $\hookrightarrow$  /sartre1.39-1.0/eAu/coherent/bsat/10x100
2. files simulated using the same generator  $\rightarrow$  marked as **local**
  - aiming to match the configuration of the campaign files

```
eBeamEnergy = 10
hBeamEnergy = 100
A           = 197

UPC = false

numberOfEvents = 607

dipoleModel          = bSat
dipoleModelParameterSet = KMW

vectorMesonId = 333
tableSetType  = total_and_coherent
userInt       = 321

Q2min = 1
Q2max = 20
Wmin   = 1000000
Wmax   = 0

correctForRealAmplitude = true
correctSkewedness       = true
maxLambdaUsedInCorrections = 0.4

enableNuclearBreakup = false
maxNuclearExcitationEnergy = 3.0
applyPhotonFlux       = true
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- limits:

- ↪  $Q^2 \in (1, 20) \text{ GeV}^2$

- ↪  $t \in (-0.5, -5.94612 \cdot 10^{-8}) \text{ GeV}^2$

- ↪  $W \in (1.95773, 63.2518) \text{ GeV}$

- ↪ nHCal acceptance:  $\eta \in (-4.14, -1.18)$

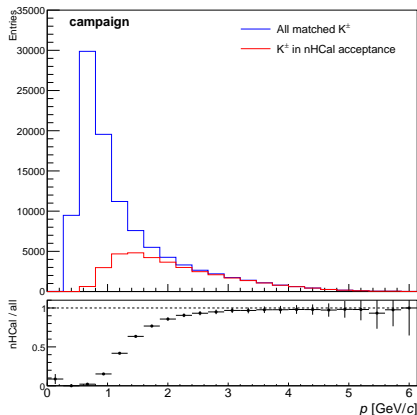
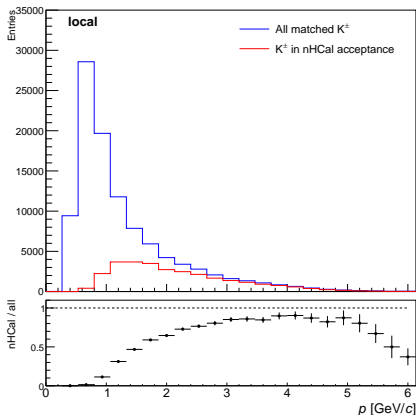
- 58,272 Sartre generated events across 16 remote files

- afterburner configuration: e+Au ( $10 \times 110$ ) GeV

- ↪ no specific configuration for e+Au ( $10 \times 100$ ) GeV exists

# Comparison of files

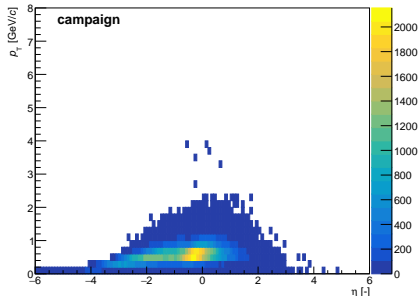
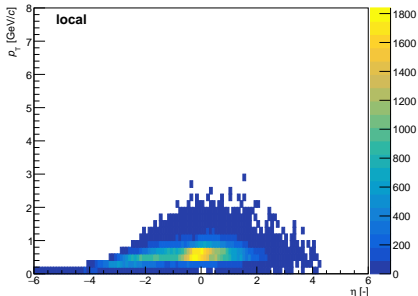
Reconstructed momentum of produced kaons flagged as  $\phi$  daughters, and the same but only for kaons in the nHCal acceptance



Histograms filled with momenta of reconstructed charged-particle tracks matched via ReconstructedChargedParticleAssociations to the two generator-level kaon daughters of a generator-level  $\phi$  decaying into exactly two kaons

# Comparison of files - cont.

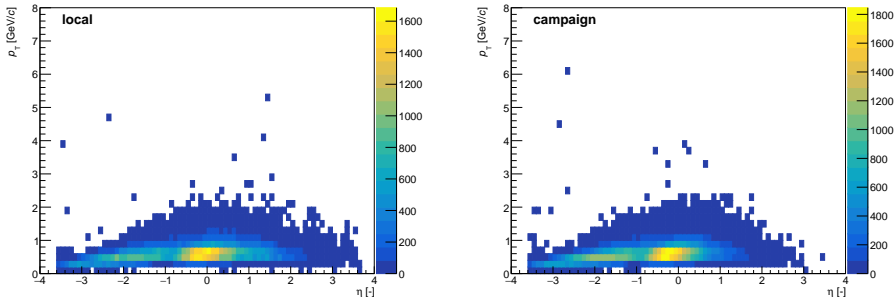
Generated kaon pseudorapidity  $\eta$  vs. transverse momentum  $p_T$



Histograms filled directly from generator-level information by looping over MCParticles and selecting kaons

# Comparison of files - cont. 2

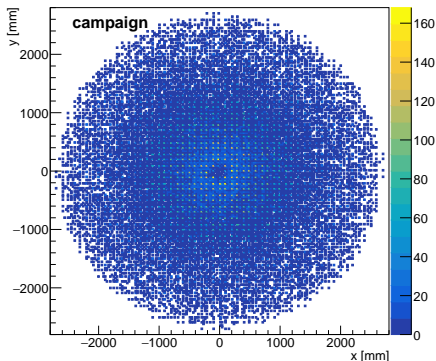
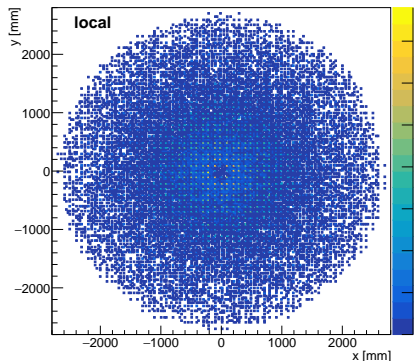
Reconstructed kaon pseudorapidity  $\eta$  vs. transverse momentum  $p_T$



Histograms filled with pseudorapidity and transverse momentum of reconstructed  $K^\pm$ , using ReconstructedChargedParticles matched to MCParticles

## Comparison of files - cont. 3

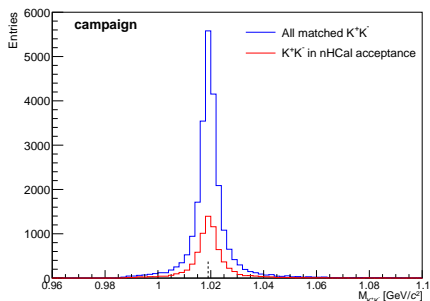
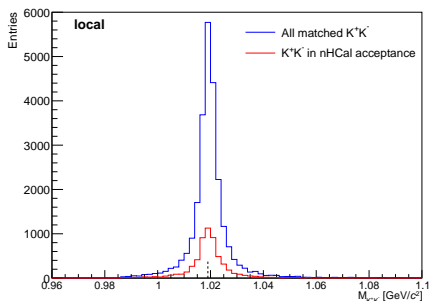
$xy$  positions of all nHCal clusters associated, via HcalEndcapNClusterAssociations, to generated kaons



Histograms filled by looping over generator-level MCParticles and selecting kaons → for each selected kaon, all nHCal clusters associated to that MCParticle via HcalEndcapNClusterAssociations collection are identified

# Comparison of files - cont. 4

Reconstructed invariant mass of produced  $\phi$  mesons from their daughter pairs of kaons, and the same for when both kaons are in the nHCal acceptance



Histograms are filled by iterating over generator-level MCParticles to identify  $\phi$  mesons that decay into two charged kaons  $\rightarrow$  for each valid decay, if both daughter kaons are associated with reconstructed tracks the invariant mass of the pair is calculated

Thank you for your attention!