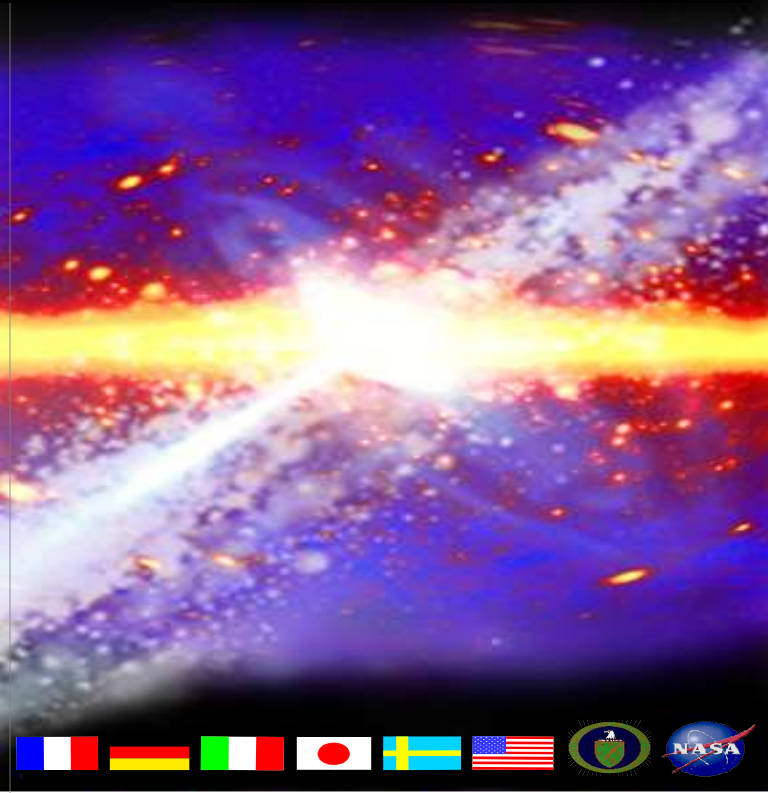


**GLAST**

**Gamma-ray Large Area Space  
Telescope**



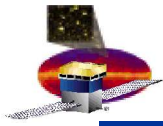
# ***Study of the Time over Threshold in the 4 towers data samples***

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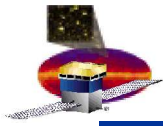
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# Overview

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  - *Dependence of the **ToT** on the track parameters  $(\theta, \varphi)$*
  - *ToT in **X-view** and **Y-view** SSD planes*
  - *Study of the **ToT** overflows*
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  - *Evaluation of the hit capture efficiency*
- *Conclusions*



# *Event selection and definitions*

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## *Event Selection:*

*Trigger from 3 consecutive layers: **GemConditionWord = 2***

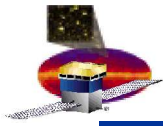
*Single tower events: **GemTkrVector[tower]  $\neq 0$  for only one tower***

*Single muon tracks in the TKR: **TkrNumTracks = 1***

***Track Layers** = Layers from **Tkr1FirstLayer** (First layer in the track) to **Tkr1LastLayer** (Last layer in the track)*

***Triggering Layers** = The set of 3 layers in a row issuing the trigger request*

*Actually, we assume that Triggering Layers correspond to the ones from **GltLayer** to **GltLayer+2***



# *Data samples*

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*A sample of 14 runs in the 4 towers configuration have been analyzed (runs from 135002498 to 135002511)*

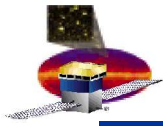
*A total of 1254616 events survived to the cuts*

*Tower 0: 318435 events*

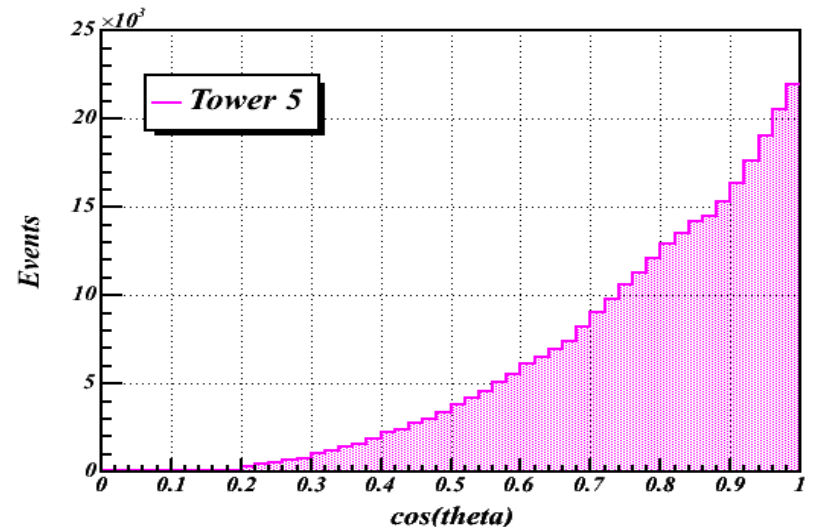
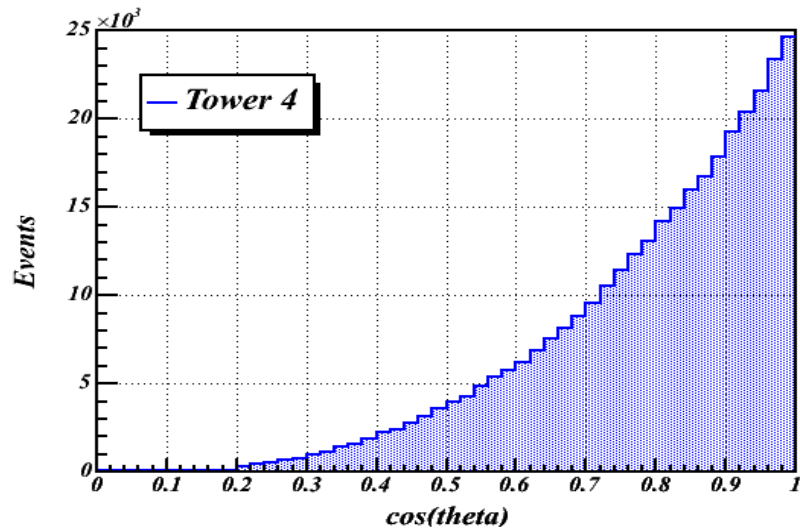
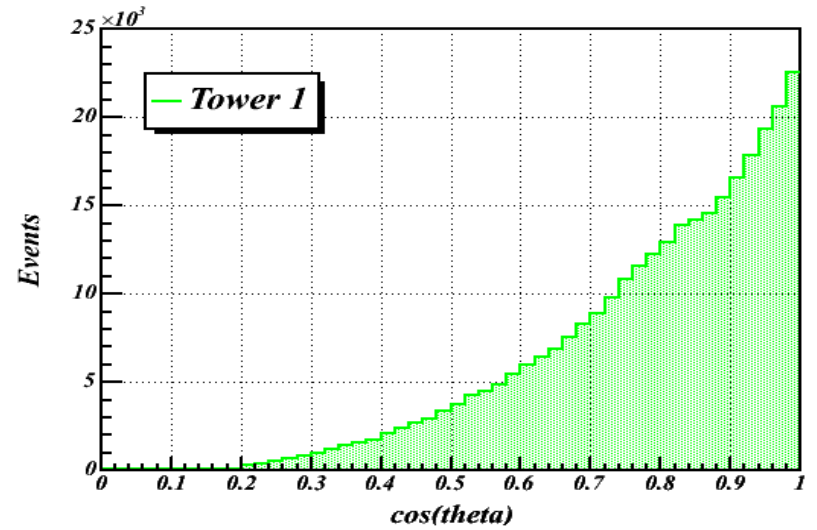
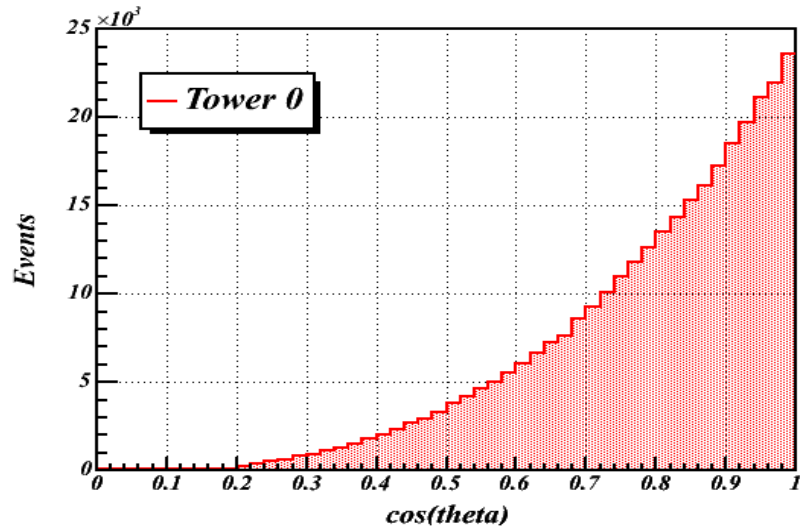
*Tower 1: 302857 events*

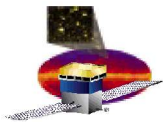
*Tower 4: 332002 events*

*Tower 5: 301322 events*

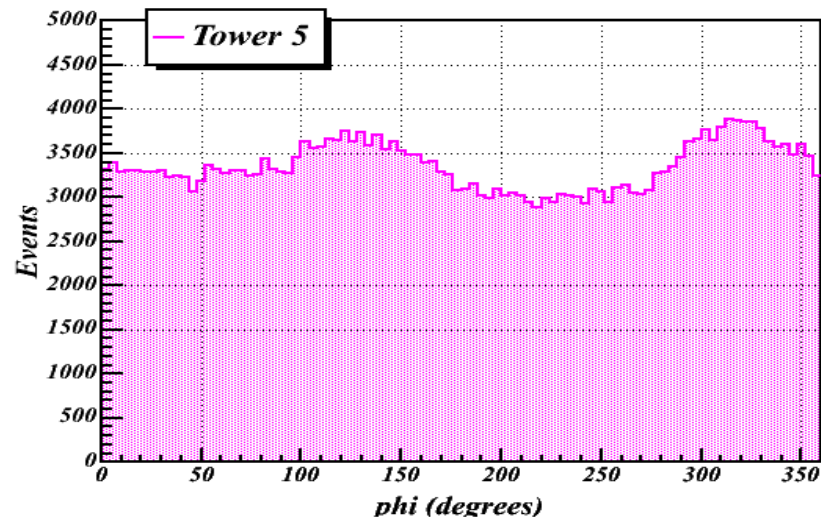
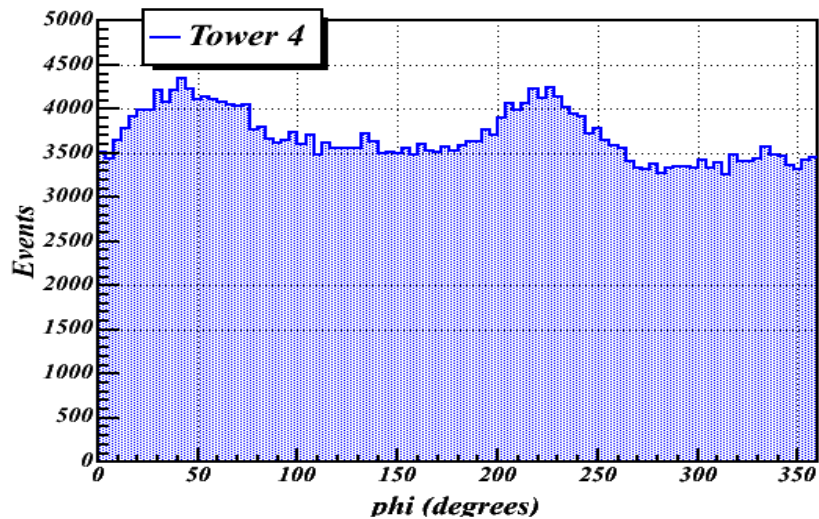
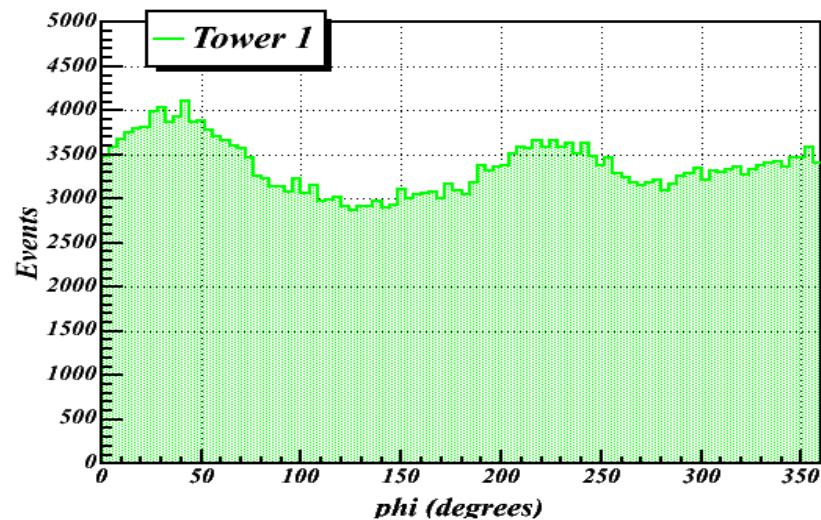
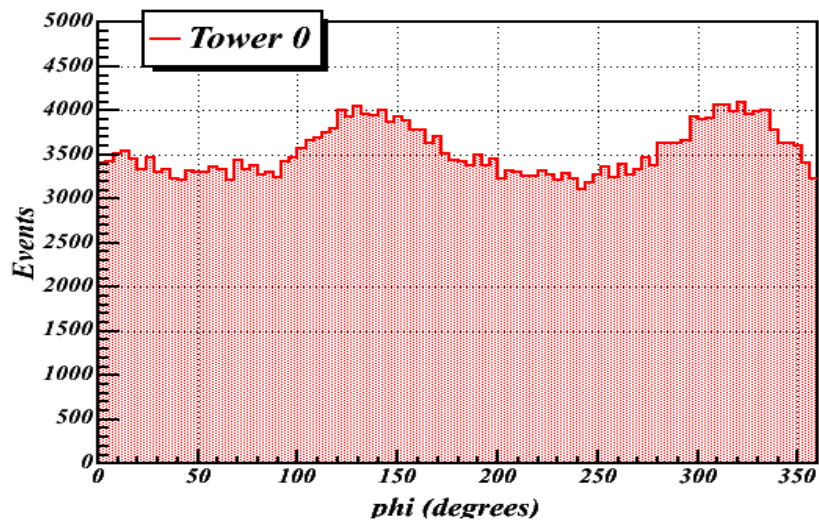


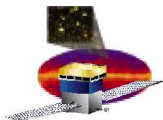
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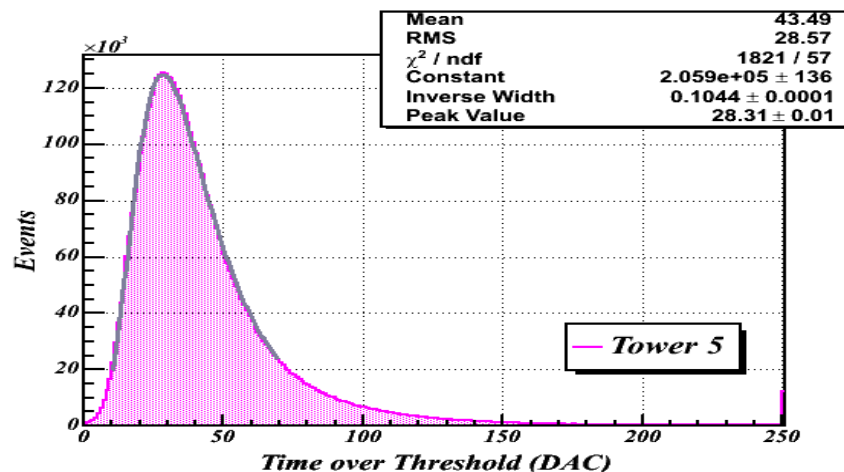
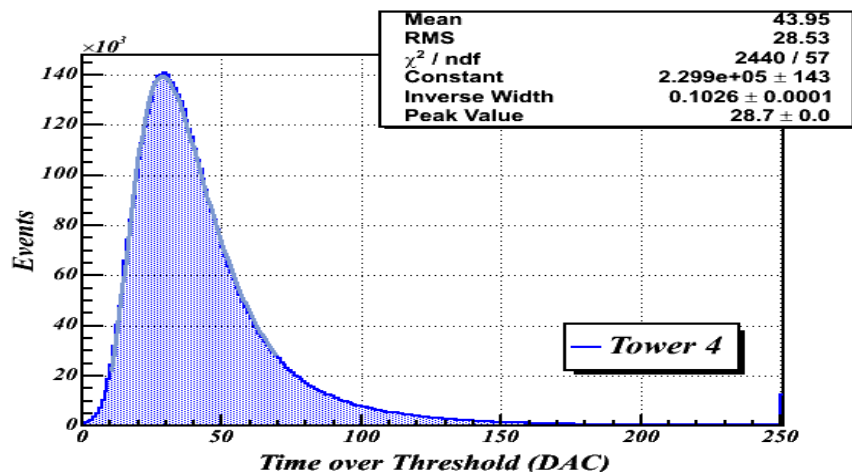
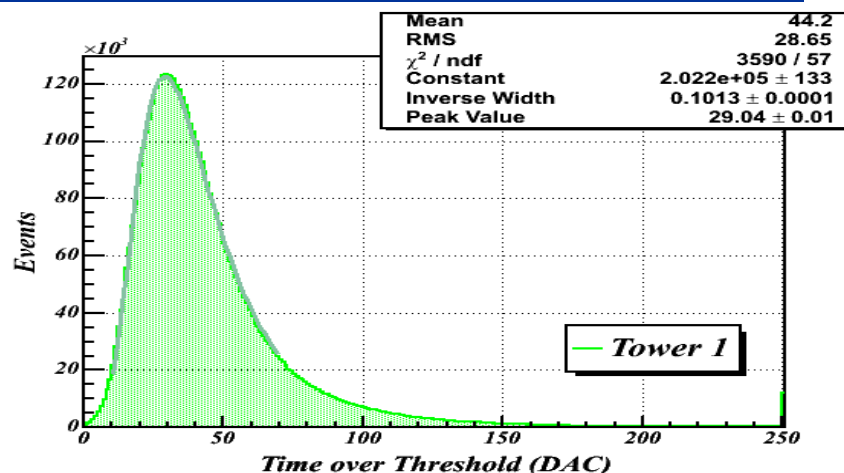
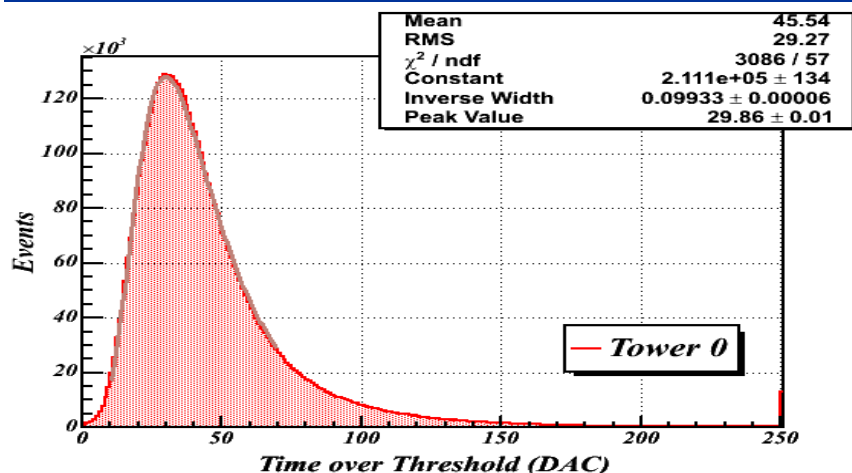


# Muon $\phi$ distribution





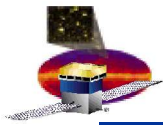
# ToT distributions in track layers



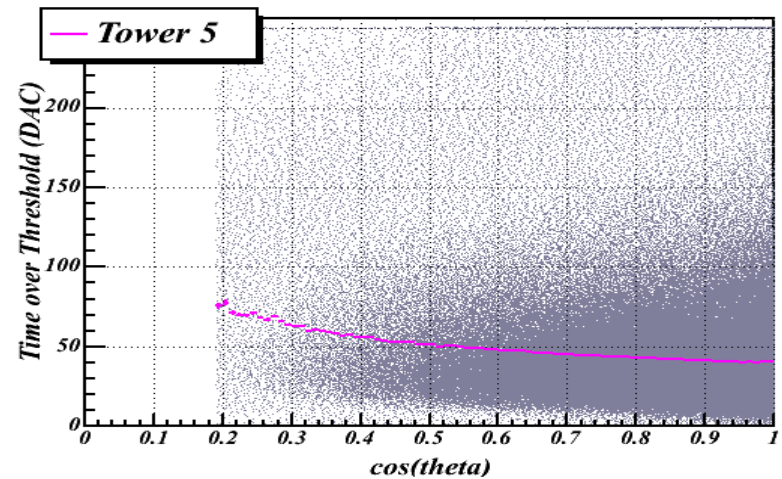
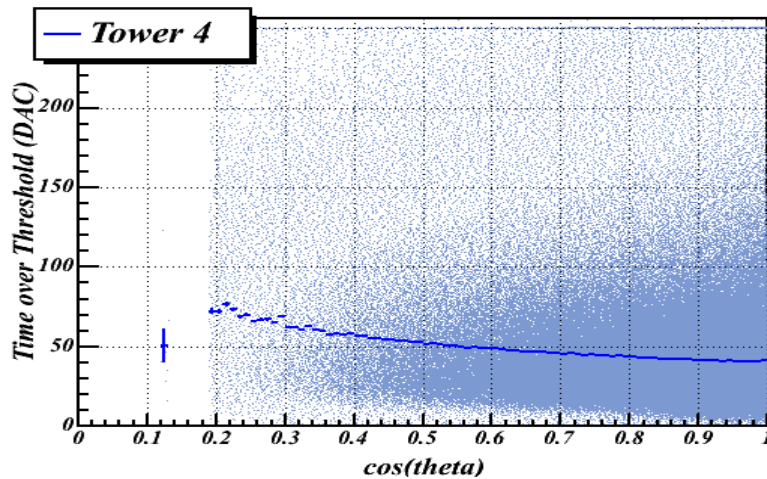
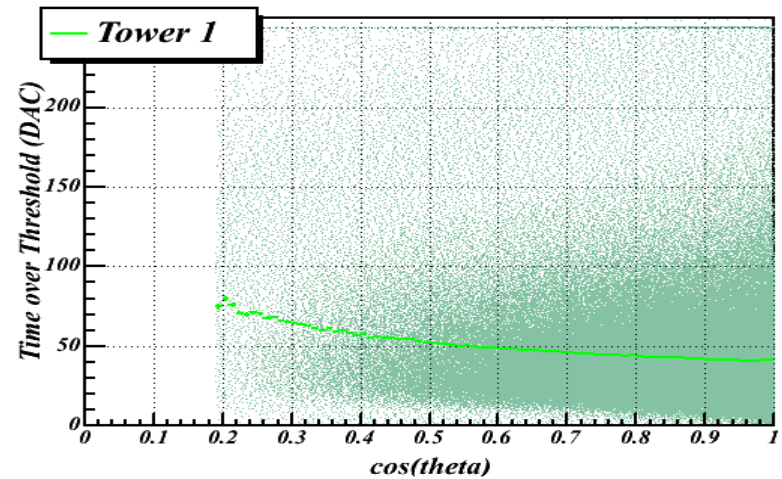
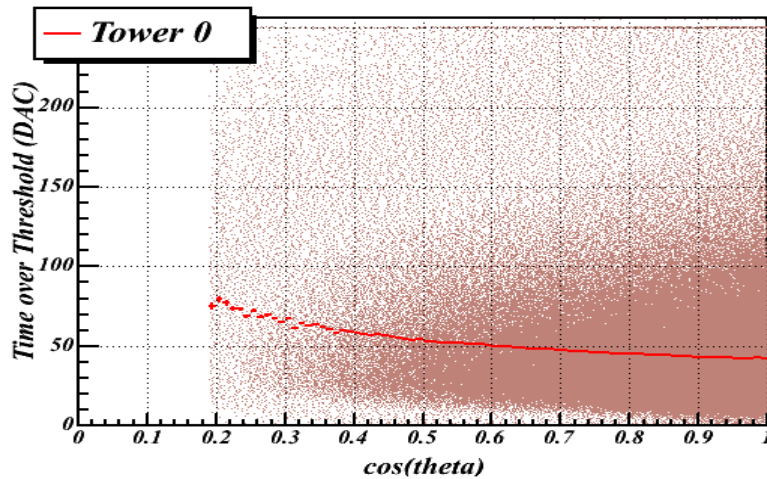
Events with  $ToT=0$  have been ruled out

The ToT distributions can be fitted by **Landau** functions:

$$ToT \text{ peak value} \approx 5.8\mu\text{s} \rightarrow q_{mp} \approx 4 \text{ fC} ?$$

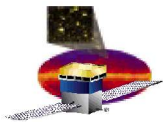


# *ToT vs $\cos\theta$ in track layers*

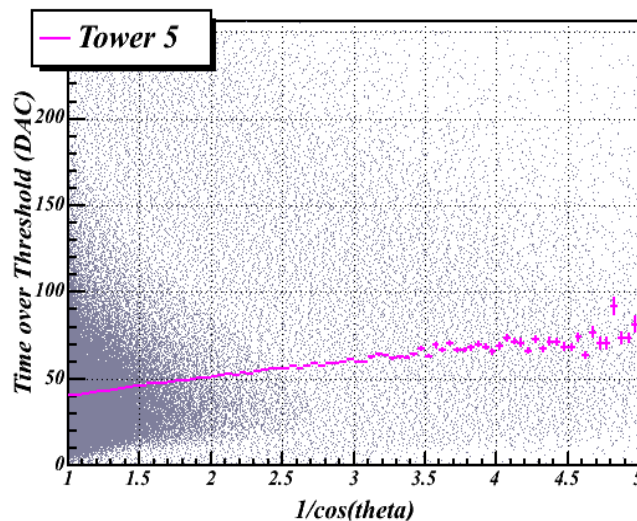
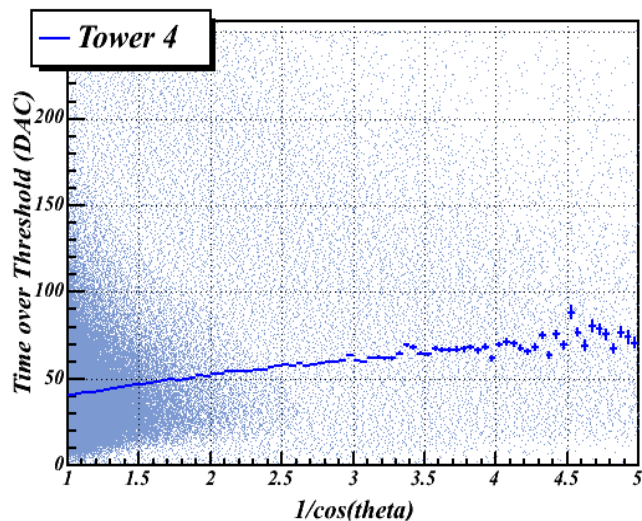
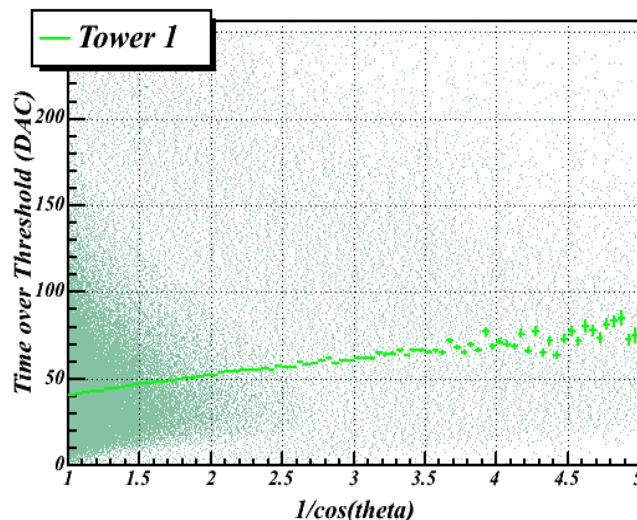
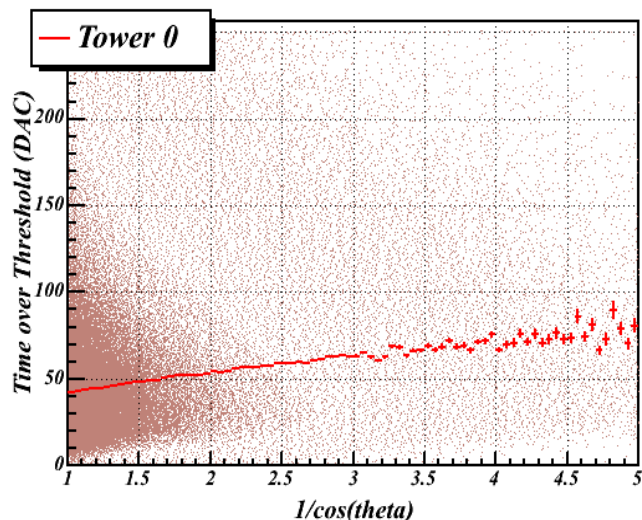


*The ToT is minimum for vertical tracks and increases with  $\theta$*





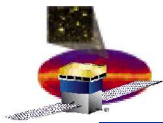
# *ToT vs $1/\cos\theta$ for track layers*



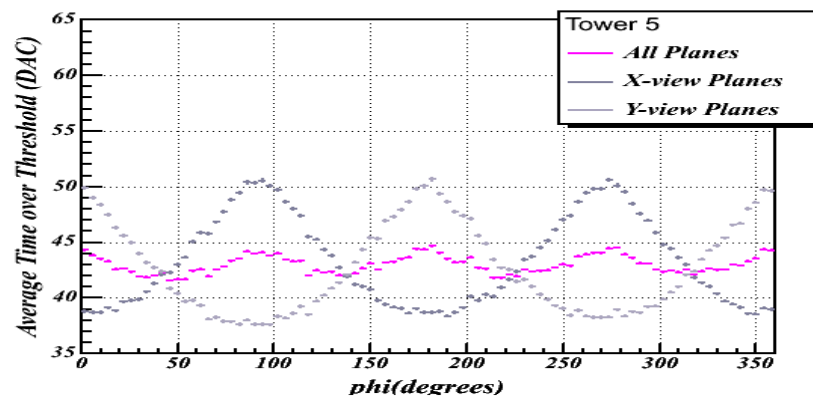
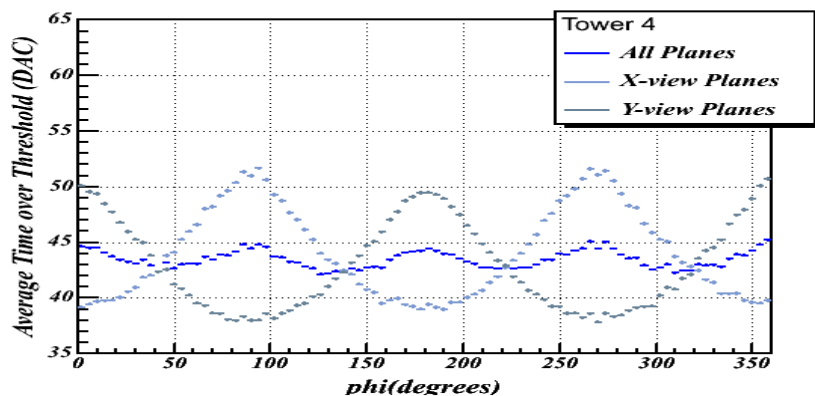
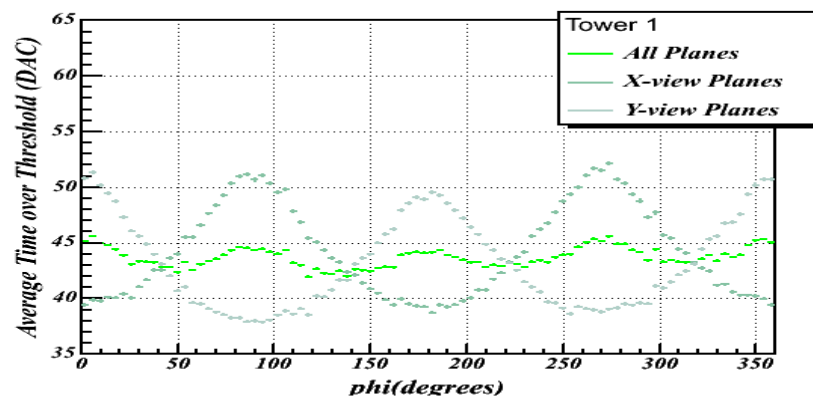
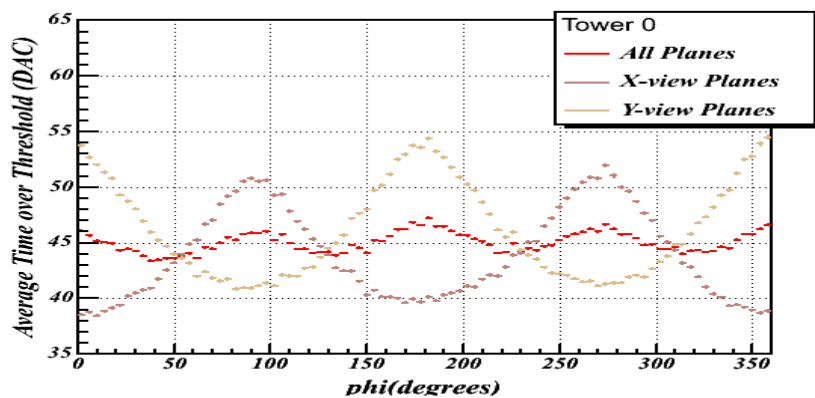
*ToT*  
increases  
*linearly*  
with  $1/\cos\theta$



*ToT*  
increases  
*linearly*  
with *track*  
*length*

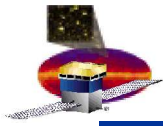


# *ToT vs $\phi$ for track layers*

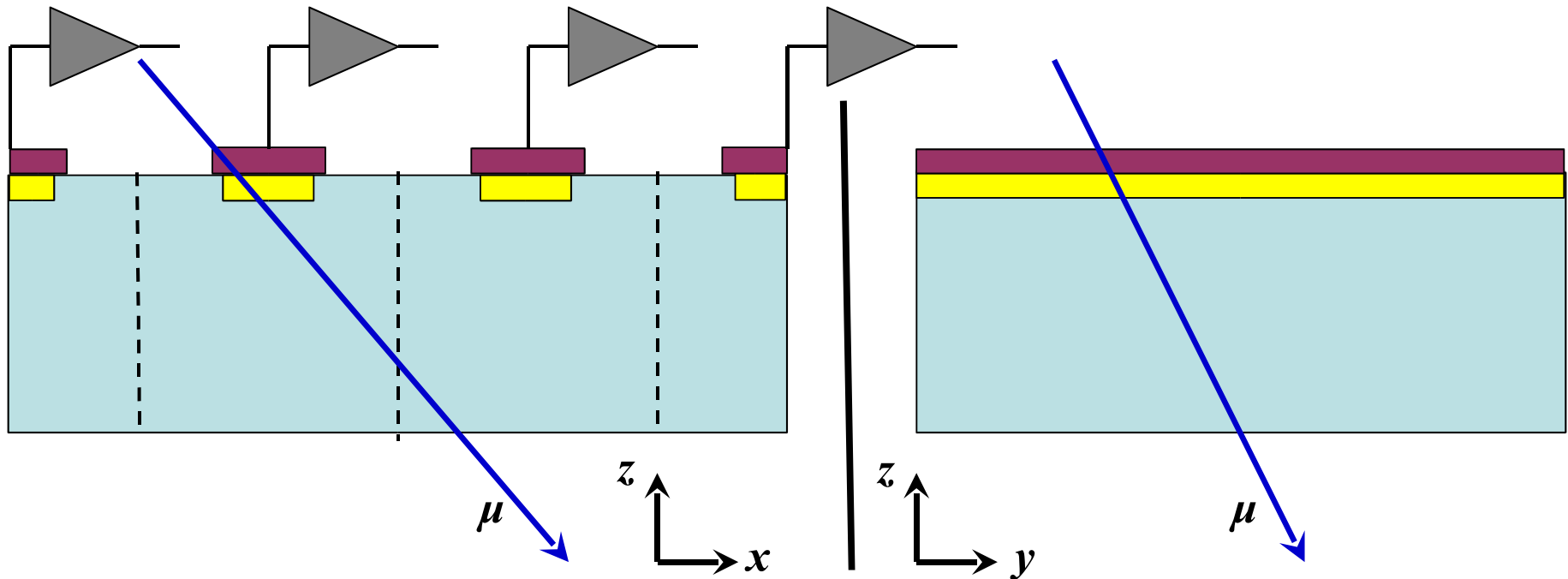


Average *ToT* exhibits a *periodic* dependence on  $\phi$  ( $180^\circ$  period)

- X-view* layers: *maxima* at  $90^\circ$  and  $270^\circ$
- Y-view* layers: *maxima* at  $0^\circ$  and  $180^\circ$



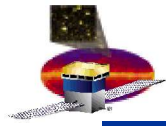
# Track length and projected track length



- **ToT** is proportional to **maximum strip pulse amplitude**
- Pulse amplitudes on strips are proportional to the **fraction of track length** belonging to their sensitive volume



**ToT** depends on the **track length projected along the strip view**



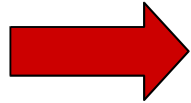
# *ToT, track length and projected track length*

*Study of the dependence of the **ToT** on  $\cos\theta$*



*The **ToT** is a function of the track length*

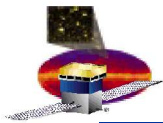
*Study of the dependence of the **ToT** on  $\varphi$*



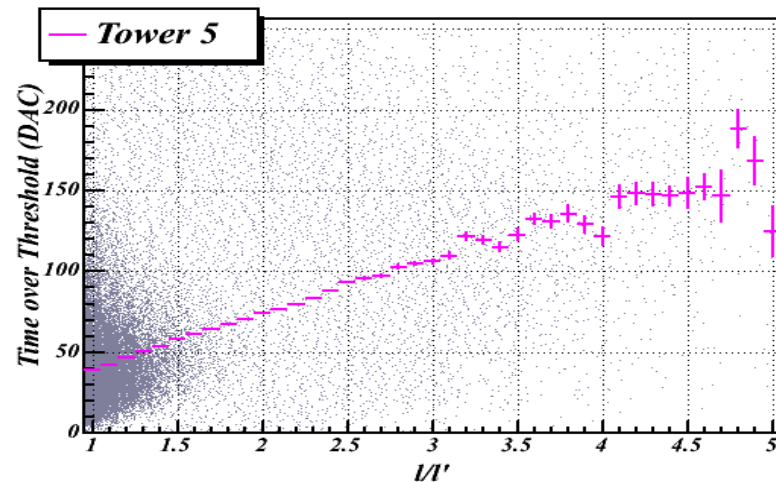
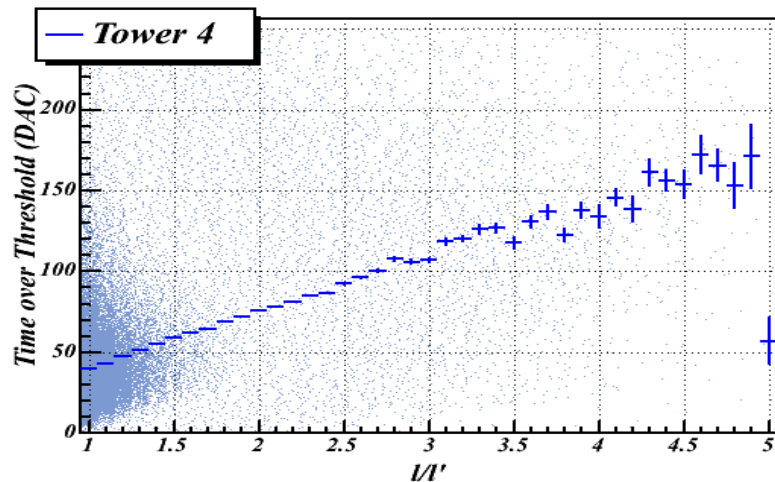
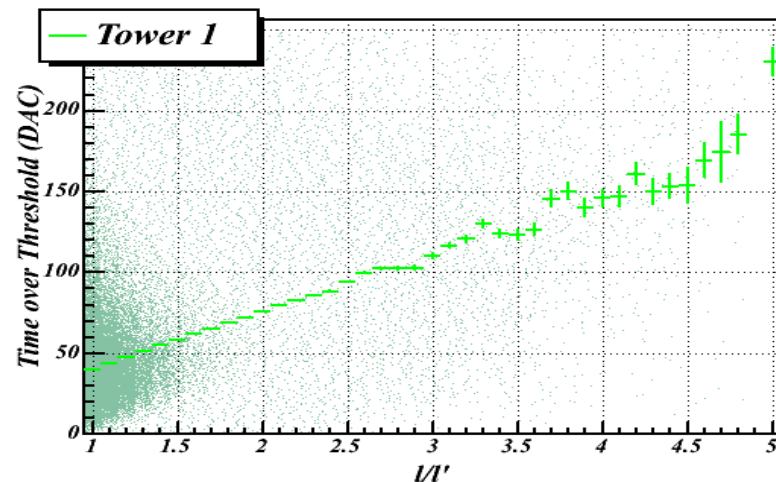
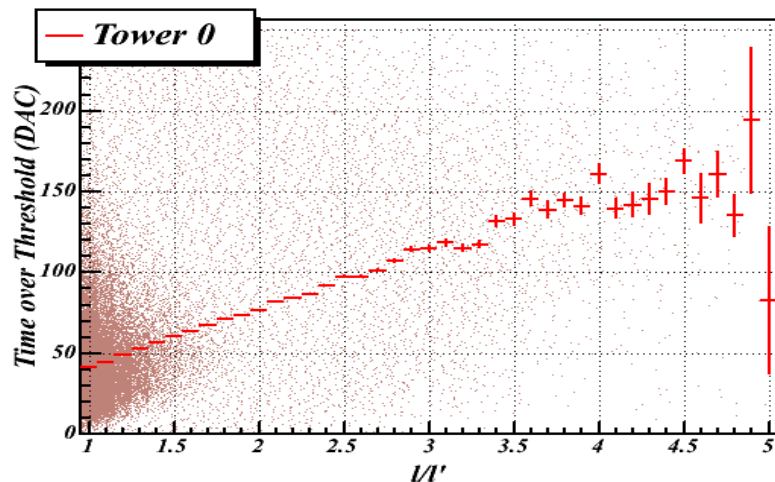
*The **ToT** is a function of the projection of the track length in the SSD plane*

$$l' = \begin{cases} l \sqrt{\cos^2 \vartheta + \sin^2 \vartheta \cos^2 \varphi} & , \text{ for } X \text{ layers} \\ l \sqrt{\cos^2 \vartheta + \sin^2 \vartheta \sin^2 \varphi} & , \text{ for } Y \text{ layers} \end{cases}$$

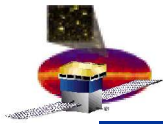
*We have introduced a new variable: the ratio  $l/l'$*



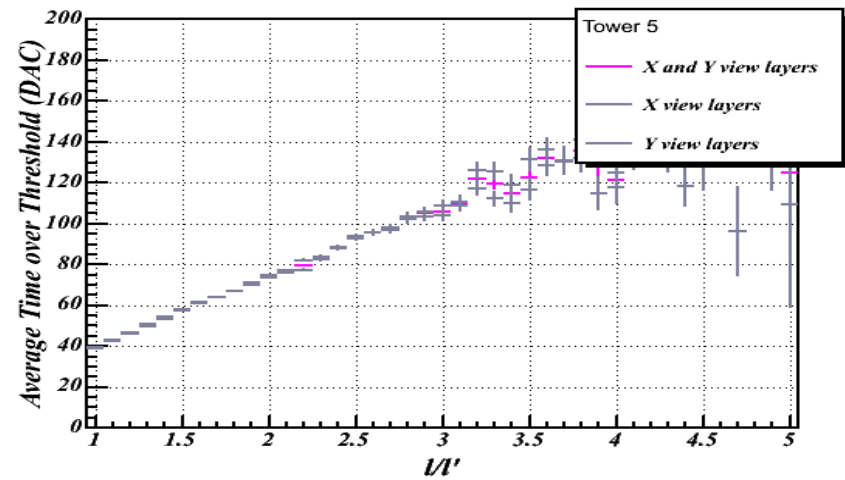
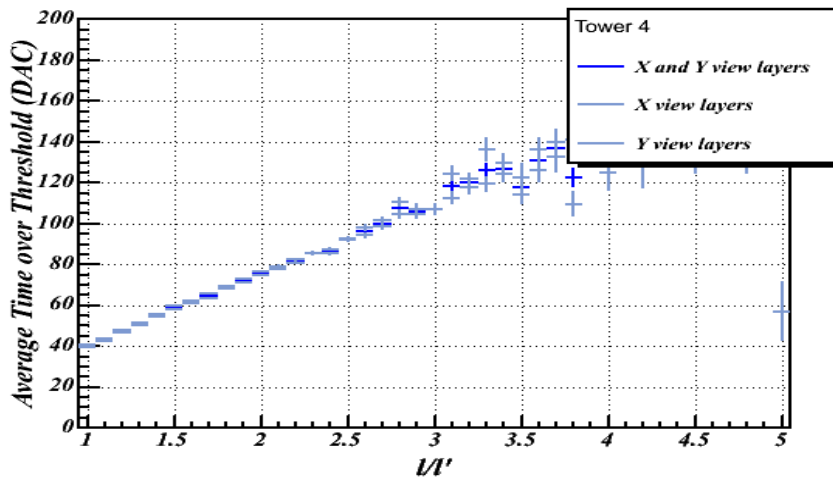
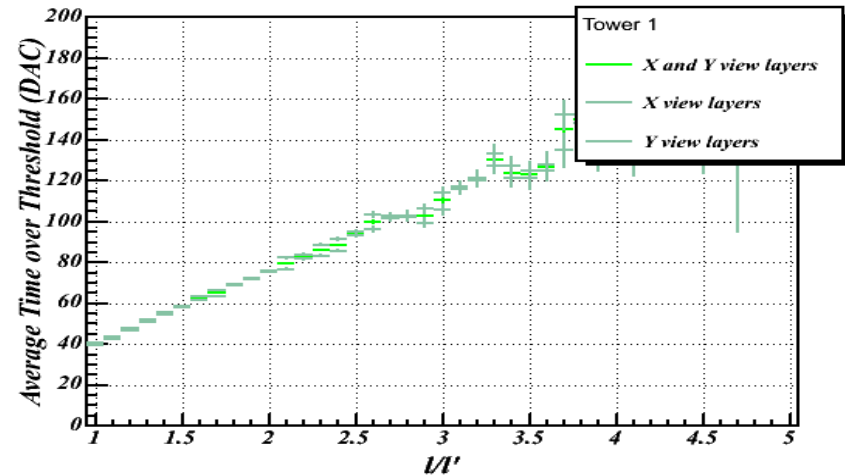
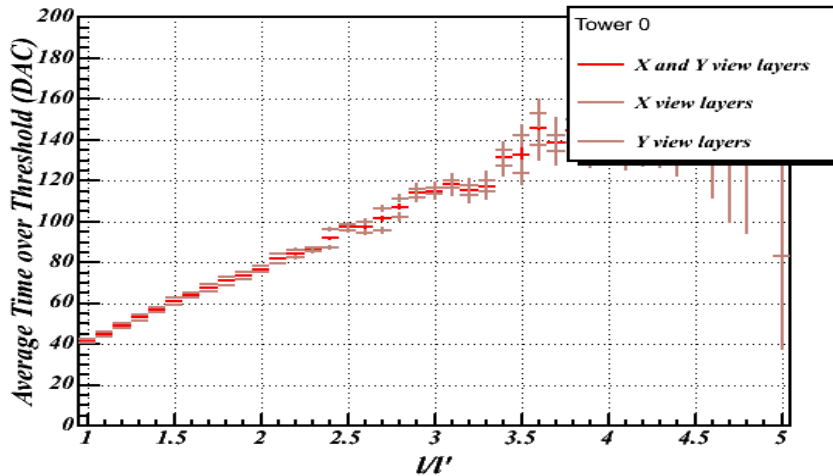
# *ToT vs $l/l'$ in track layers*



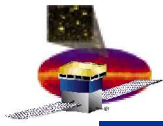
*The ToT depends linearly on  $l/l'$  and increases with the same rate*



# *ToT vs projected track length: X and Y views*



*No significant differences in **ToT vs  $l/l'$**  between X and Y view layers*



# *Study of ToT overflows in track layers*

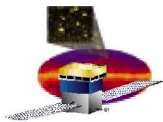
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*We have studied the **ToT overflows** as a function of:*

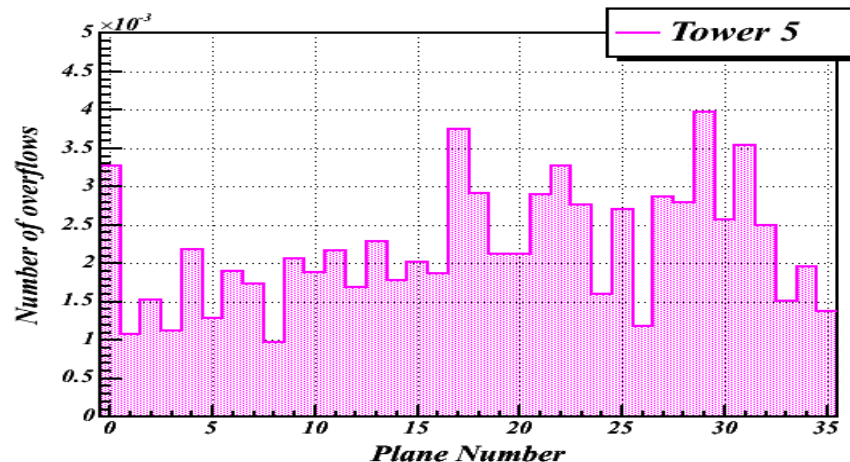
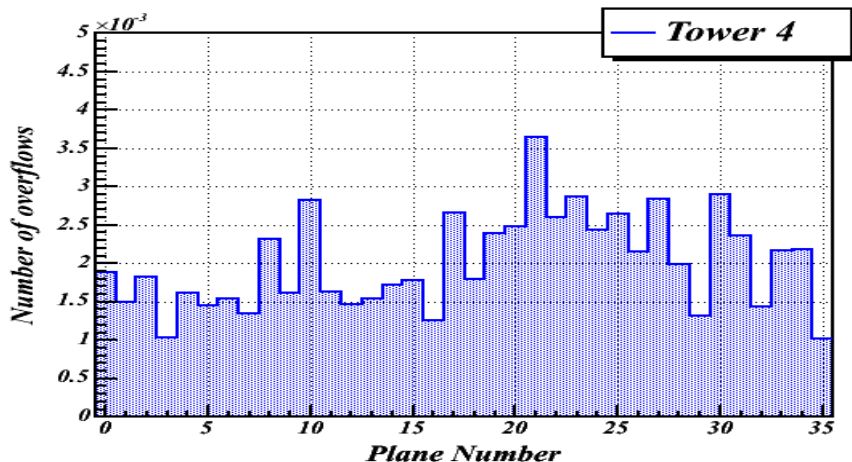
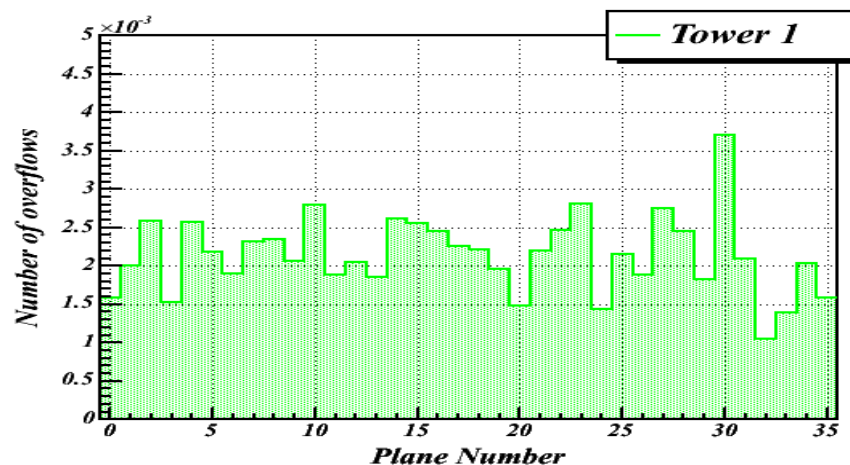
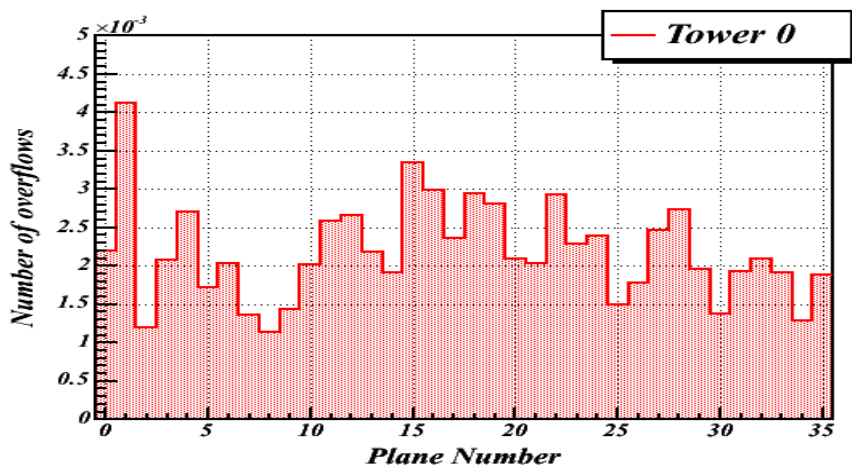
- *tower planes* ➡ *to look for eventual noisy planes*
- *track parameters ( $\theta, \varphi$ )* ➡ *to search for eventual anomalies*

*Experimental data show that:*

- *The fraction of overflows **fluctuates among the planes***
- *As expected, the fraction of overflows increases with increasing track length*
- *The fraction of overflow shows a **small dependence** on the  $\varphi$  angle for the **Tower 0** data sample ➡ *small difference between the average response of X-view and Y-view layers**

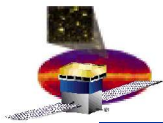


# ToT overflows in SSD layers

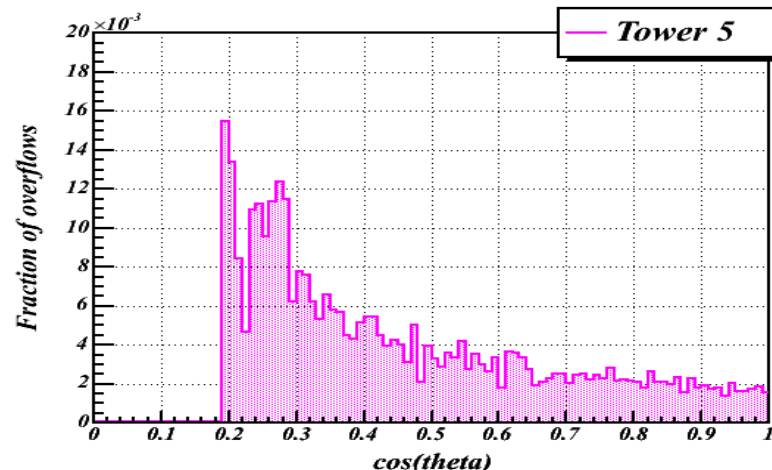
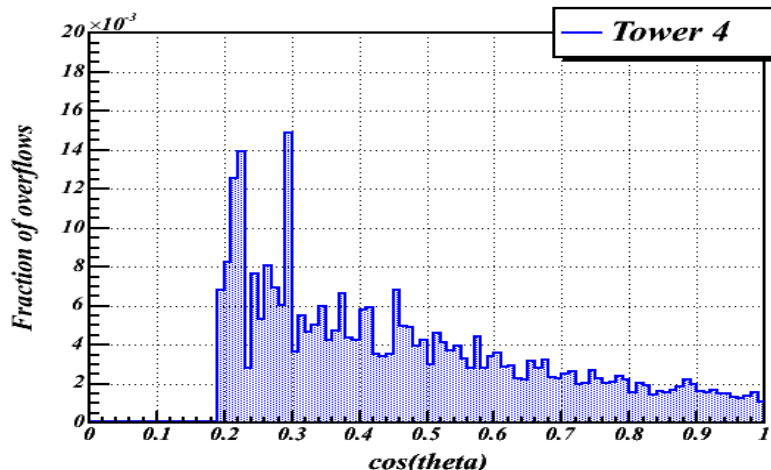
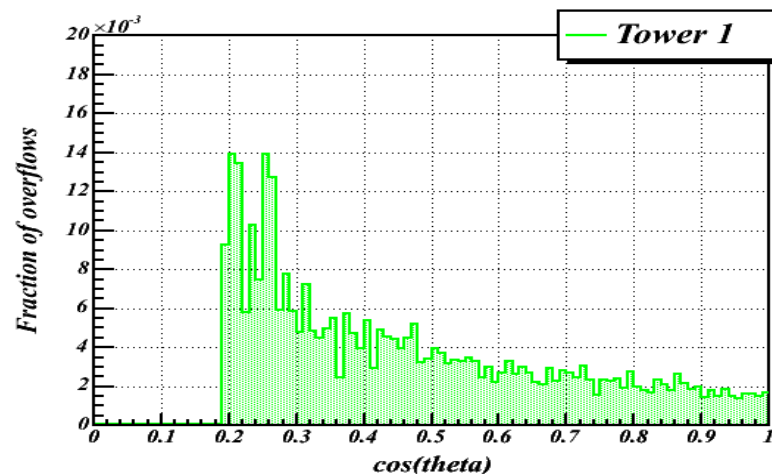
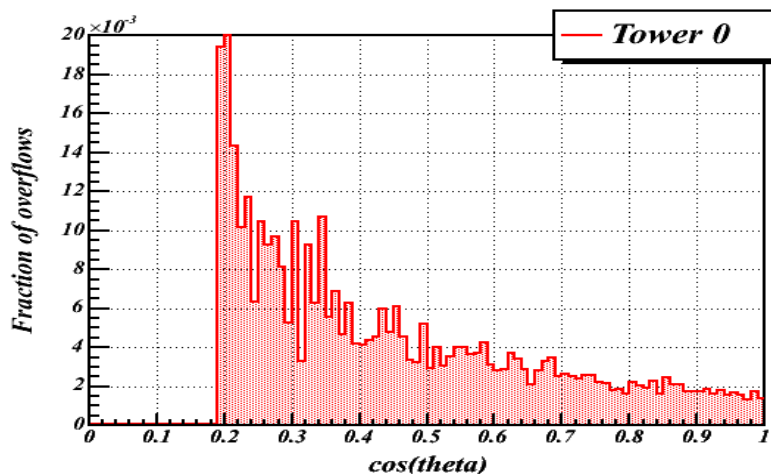


*The average behavior of the 4 towers is the same. The number of overflows fluctuates among the planes*

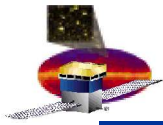




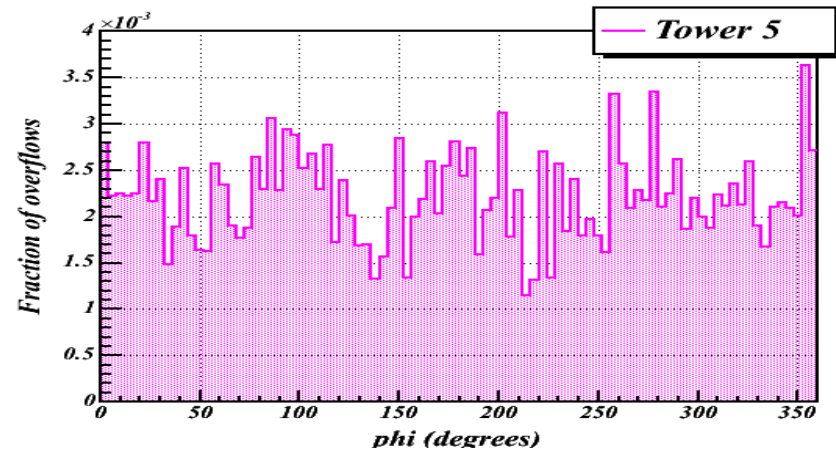
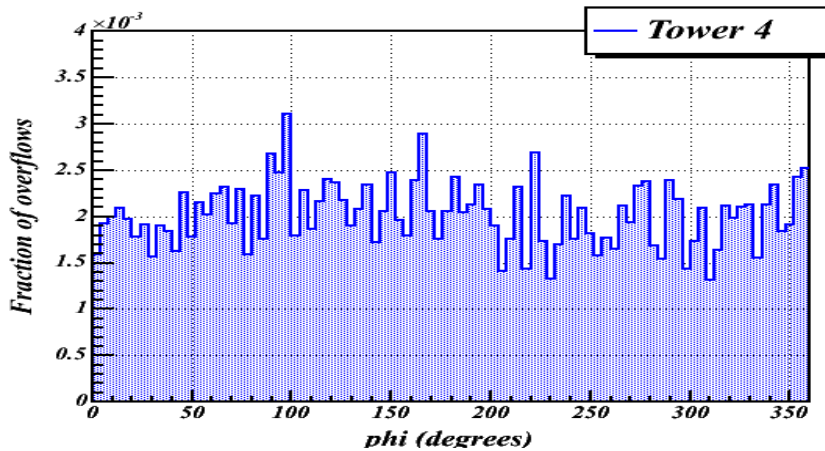
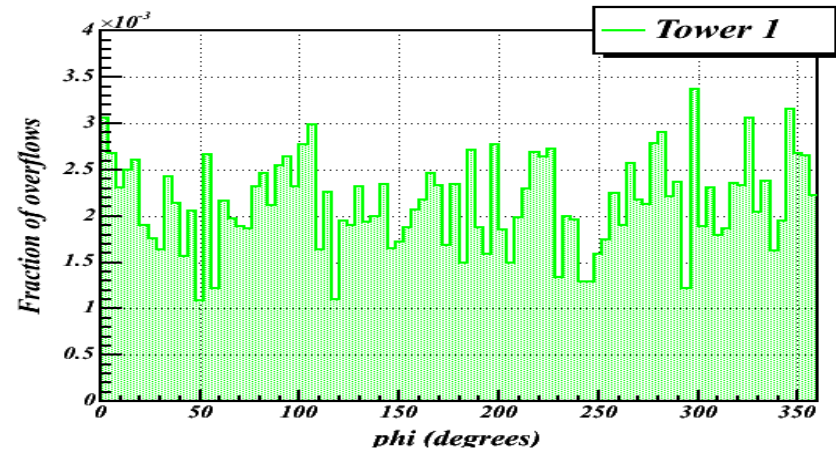
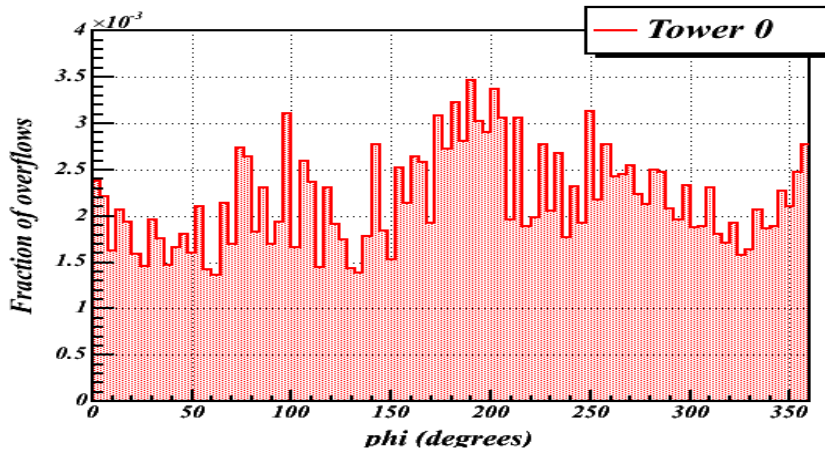
# ToT overflows vs $\cos\theta$



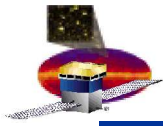
- All towers exhibit the same behavior
- The fraction of ToT overflows increases with increasing track length



# ToT overflows vs $\varphi$




*Fraction of overflows in **Tower 0** seems to depend on  $\varphi$  with a period of  $90^\circ$ . This effect could be caused by small differences between the average behavior of SSDs in **X-view** and **Y-view** layers*



# *ToT in triggering layers*

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*Why studying **ToT** in triggering layers?*

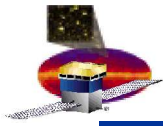
*To generate a **trigger**, a coincidence among **3 layers (6 planes)** in a row is requested  the probability of a **noisy plane** being involved in the trigger is negligible*

*The study of hit distributions in triggering layers allows to get an estimate of the SSD **hit capture efficiency***

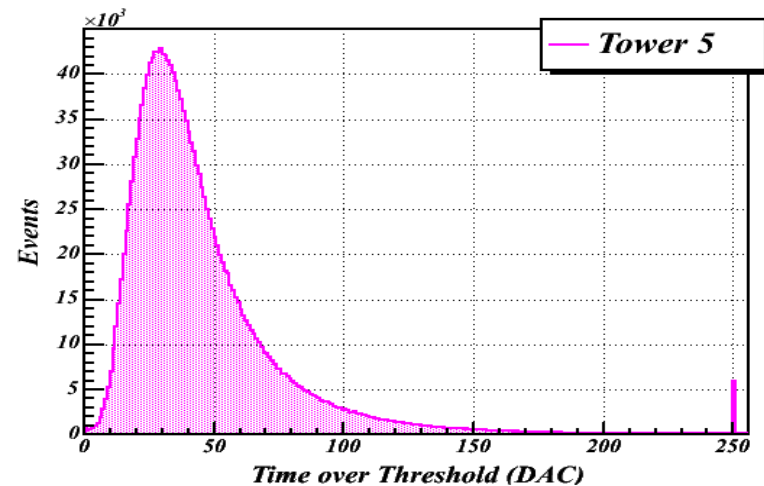
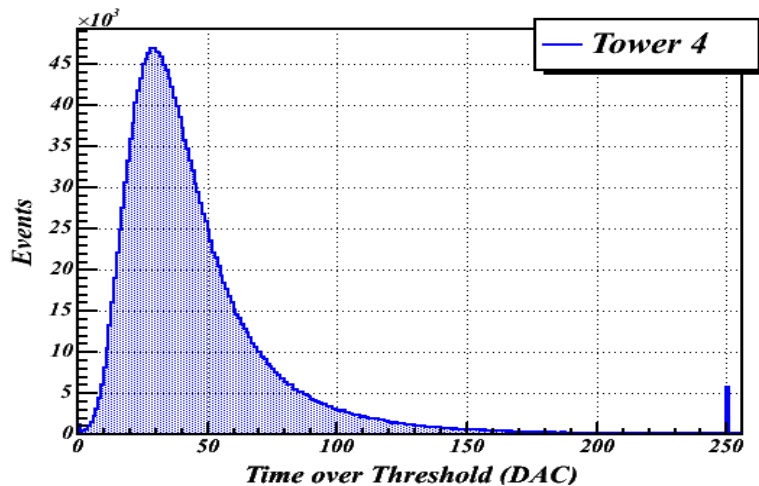
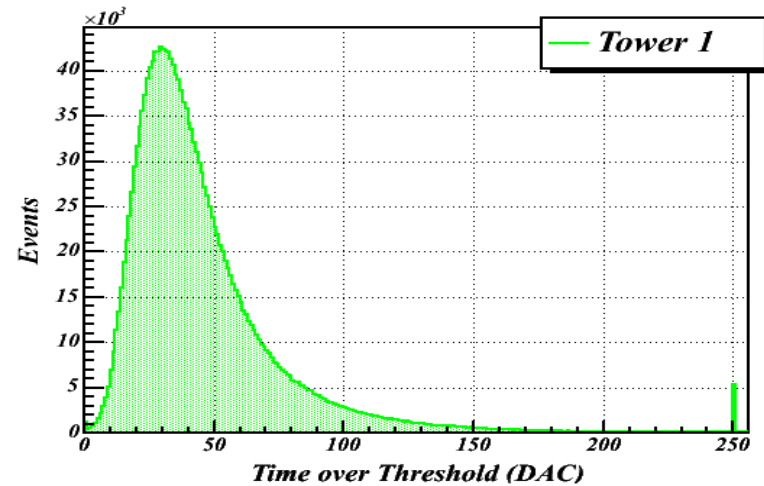
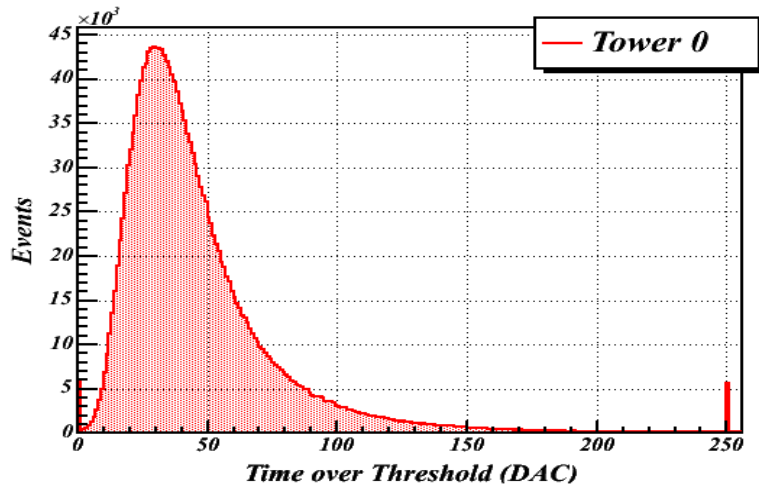
*Which are the triggering layers?*

*Actually, we assume that triggering layers are the ones from **GltLayer** to **GltLayer+2***

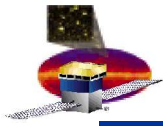
*we know that **GltLayer** corresponds to the first layer of the lowest “3 in a row” possible combination*



# ToT distributions in triggering layers



*In this case events with  $ToT = 0$  have been included!*



# *Estimate of hit capture efficiency*

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*Hit capture efficiency:*

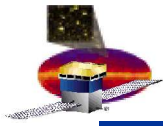
$$\varepsilon = 1 - \frac{\text{events with } ToT = 0}{\text{total events}}$$

*Tower 0:  $1-\varepsilon = 3.0 \times 10^{-3}$*

*Tower 1:  $1-\varepsilon = 0.7 \times 10^{-3}$*

*Tower 2:  $1-\varepsilon = 0.6 \times 10^{-3}$*

*Tower 3:  $1-\varepsilon = 0.5 \times 10^{-3}$*



# Conclusions

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*The **ToT distributions** can be fitted with Landau functions*

*The dependence of **ToT** on the track parameters  $\theta$  and  $\varphi$  has been investigated*

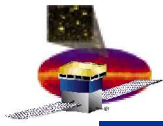
*The **ToT** increases linearly with  $1/\cos\theta$*

*The **ToT** increases linearly with  $1/\eta'$*

*An analysis of the **ToT overflows** has been performed*

*The **ToT in triggering layers** has been studied*

*Hit capture efficiencies of all LAT Towers are  $> 99\%$*



# *Requests & future plans*

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*ToT conversion in charge units (fC)*

*to provide an absolute measurement of energy deposited in SSDs for all strips*

*as a feedback for the simulations*

*Information, in the **digi files**, about the **hit positions** (a pair of **xz** or **yz** coordinates related to each hit)*

*to study single strip efficiencies*

*to perform further studies:*

- *analysis of spurious hits*
- *search for stopping muons*
- ...