

# Milagro Simulations

Not much new.

Absolute time has been added to event header (no MC have been thrown yet with this feature).

Look on /data/montecarlo/sim/\*

What do we have?

Standard protons 0.05 – 100 TeV

Standard gammas 0.1-100 TeV

Standard low energy gammas

low energy gammas thrown over a large throw area.

-important to low trigger threshold/scalers study.

Helium (awkwardly split in two places...)

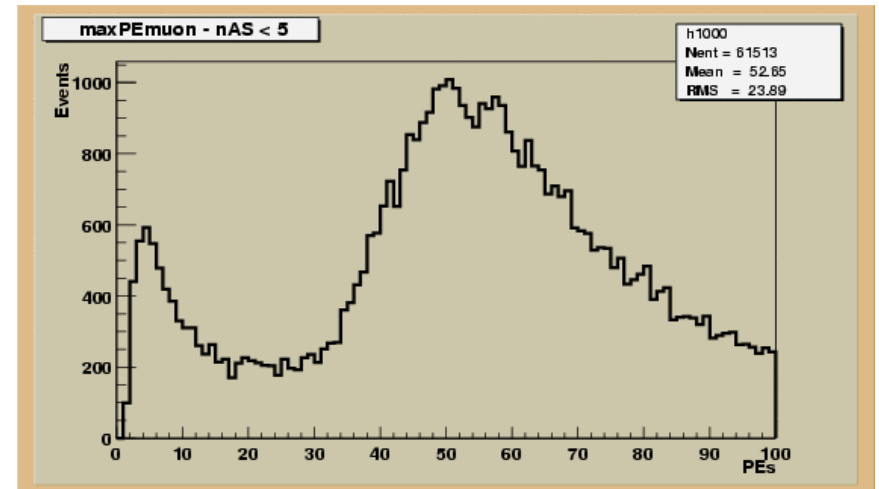
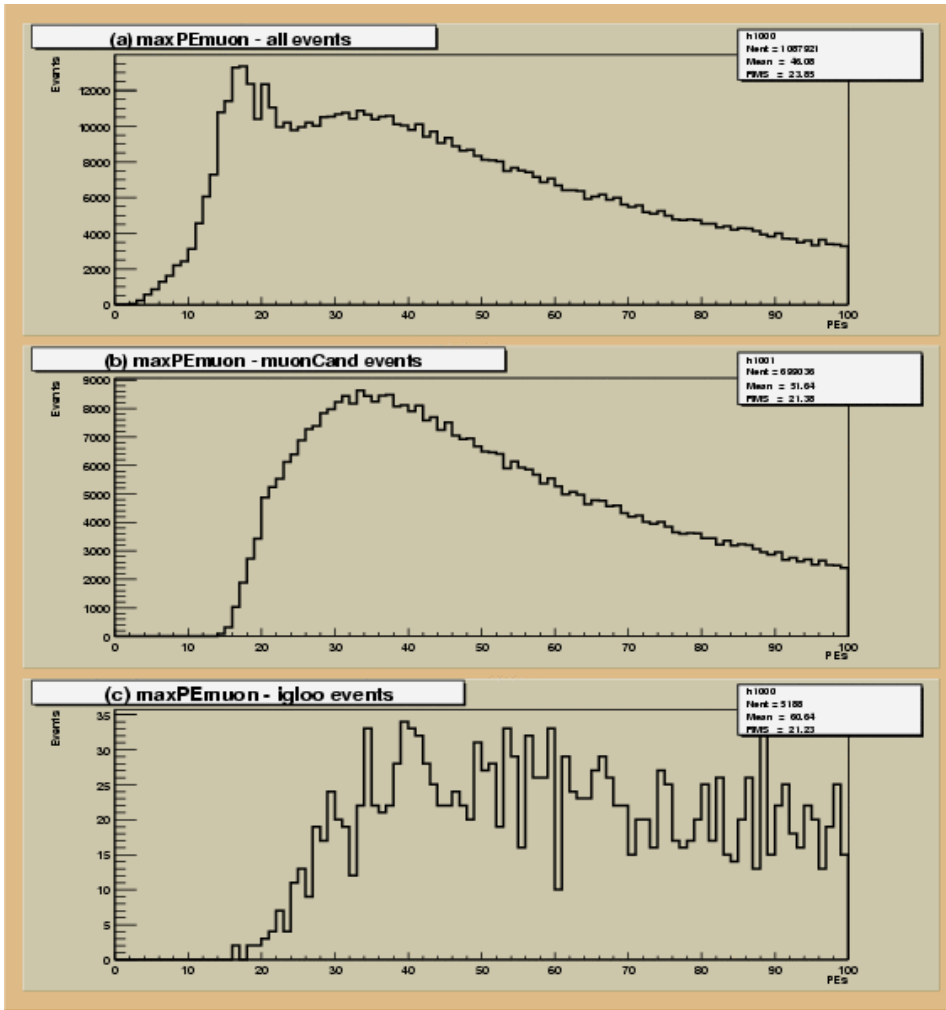
# Alternatives

- Protons and gammas with no total internal reflection.
- Protons with 20 meter scattering length water.
- Protons with different baffle reflectivities.
- Protons with HDPM hadron model.
- Protons with different cover reflectivities.

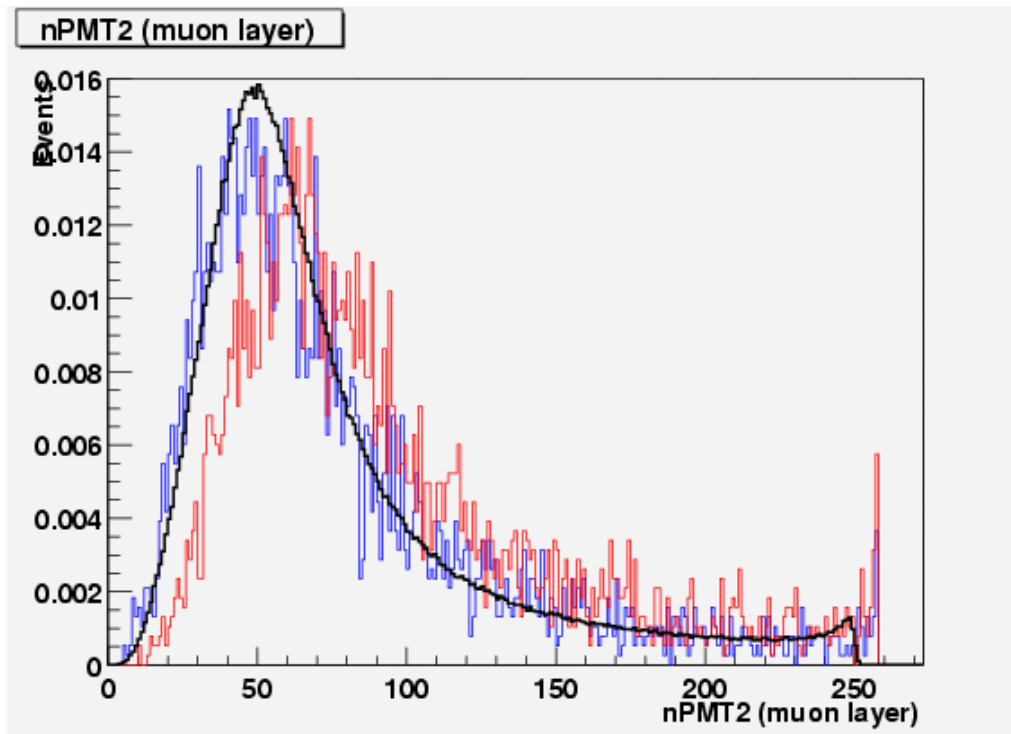
Conclusion was that we are very sensitive to scattering/reflections both in the water and off surfaces. In general however our sensitivity at a fixed trigger rate varies by  $\sim <20\%$  for a simple analysis with no background rejection (i.e. a grb analysis).

# Comparing data to MC

We looked at comparing the location of muon peak, this tests the pe scale at  $\sim 30$  pes. They appeared to differ by  $\sim 30\%$ . It is very hard to disentangle calibration from MC issues.



# This can fix things...



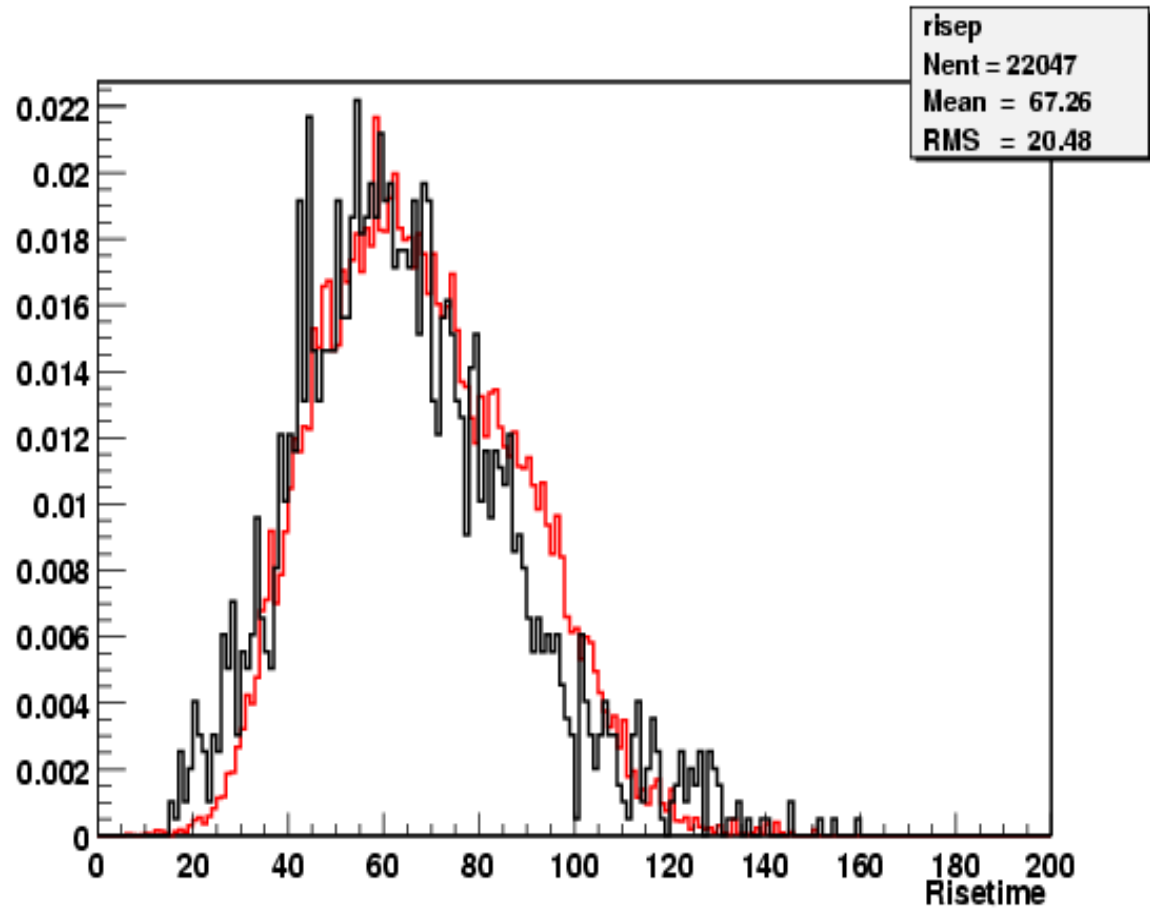
Black: data

red : MC

blue : MC with pes scaled by 30%

However, simply rescaling by 30% is not the only way to bring agreement between the location of the muon peaks.

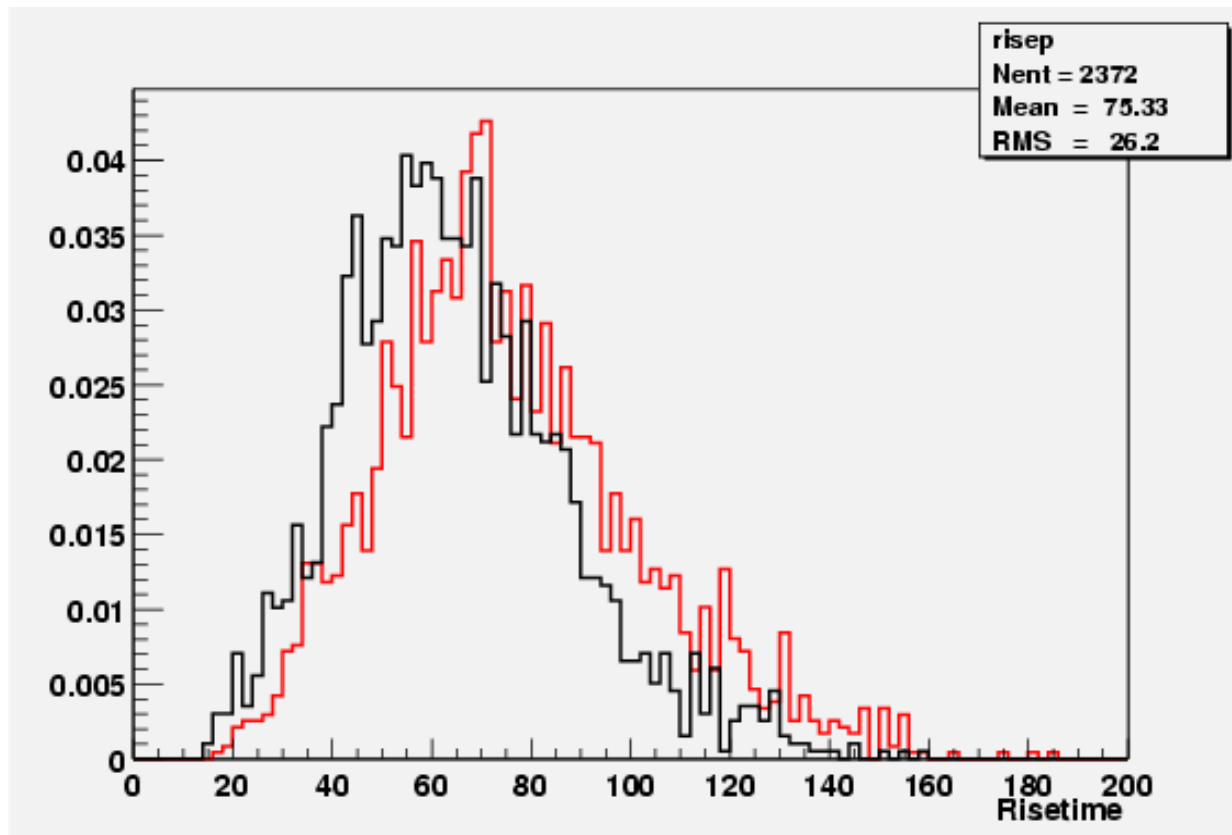
# Risetime distributions



Theta (fit) < 30 degrees  
nas(cal) >80

Black: data  
Red : MC

# Data is fairly variable



Before (red) and after (black) a rainstorm.

# Things to do

We have not checked that the parameter space chosen for use with the old trigger is still valid for the new trigger.

- energy range
- throw area

Outtrigger geometry is over simplified (assumes that they all lie on a flat plane)

We need to check MC vs data for the outriggers.

We don't have any proton simulations suitable for scaler (i.e. Solar) studies.

Make a webpage to describe the contents and location of the MC data.

More detailed treatment of electronics, noise etc.

Start running/generating MC again.