

# Considerations of TOF/tracking with LGADs at EIC

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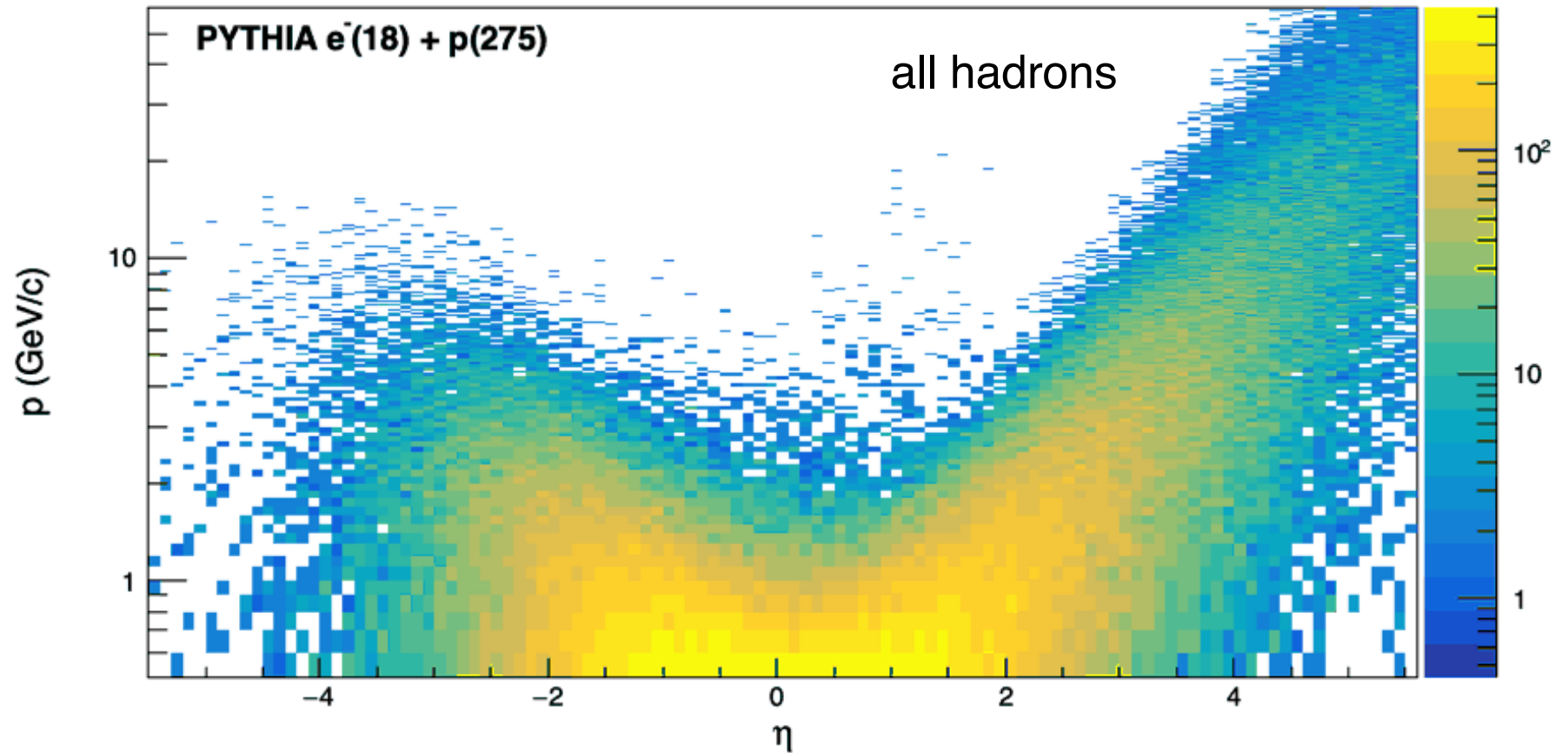
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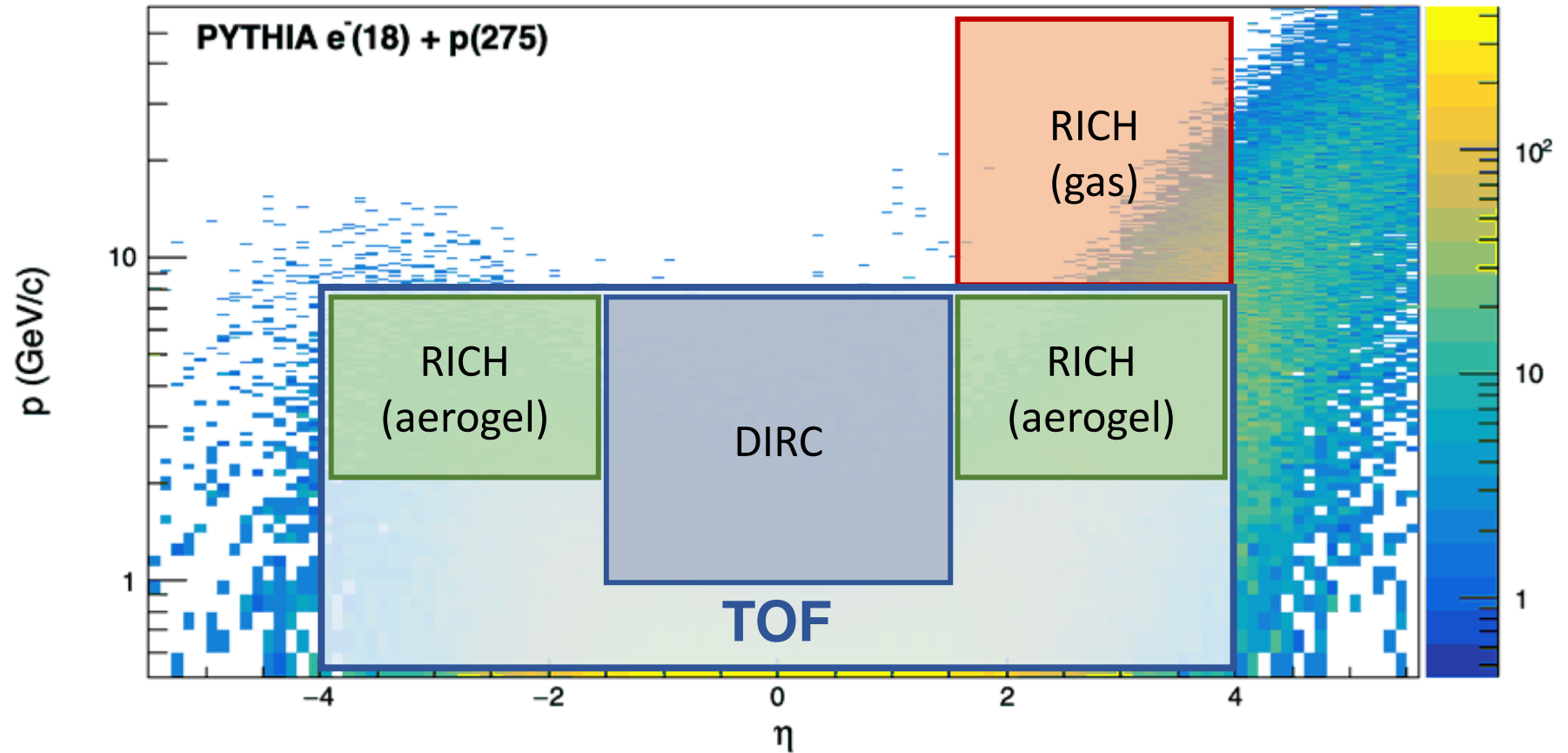
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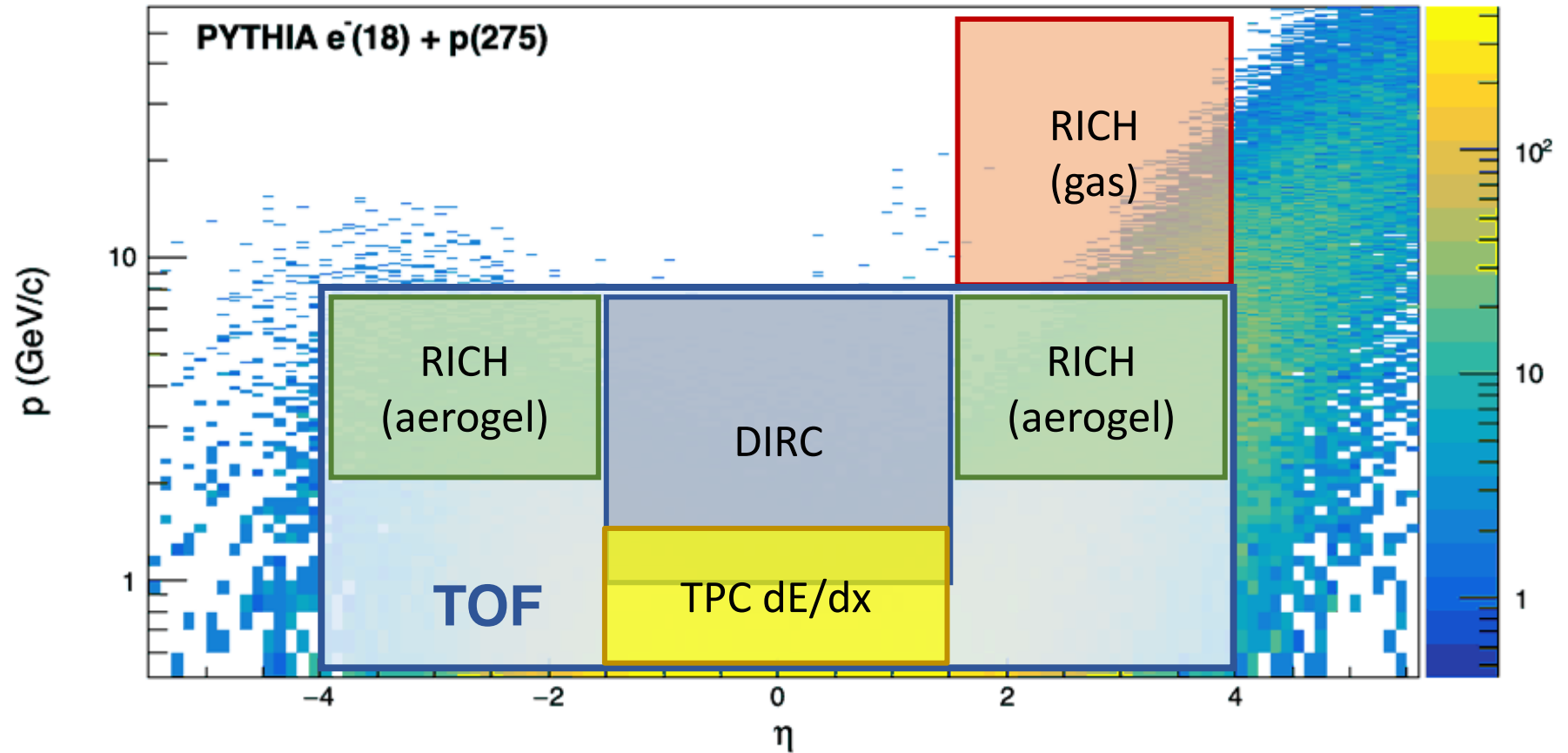
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# Particle identification (PID) at EIC – TOF

TOF-PID depends on time resolution and flight distance

(b) Complementarity of different TOF technologies

	LGADs	MRPC	LAPPD
Time resolution	20ps	20 ps	5ps
Spatial resolution	a few to hundreds $\mu\text{m}$	a few mm to 1 cm	1 mm
Overall thickness	2cm	10cm	2cm
High B field tolerant	Yes	Yes	No
Cost	High	Low	High

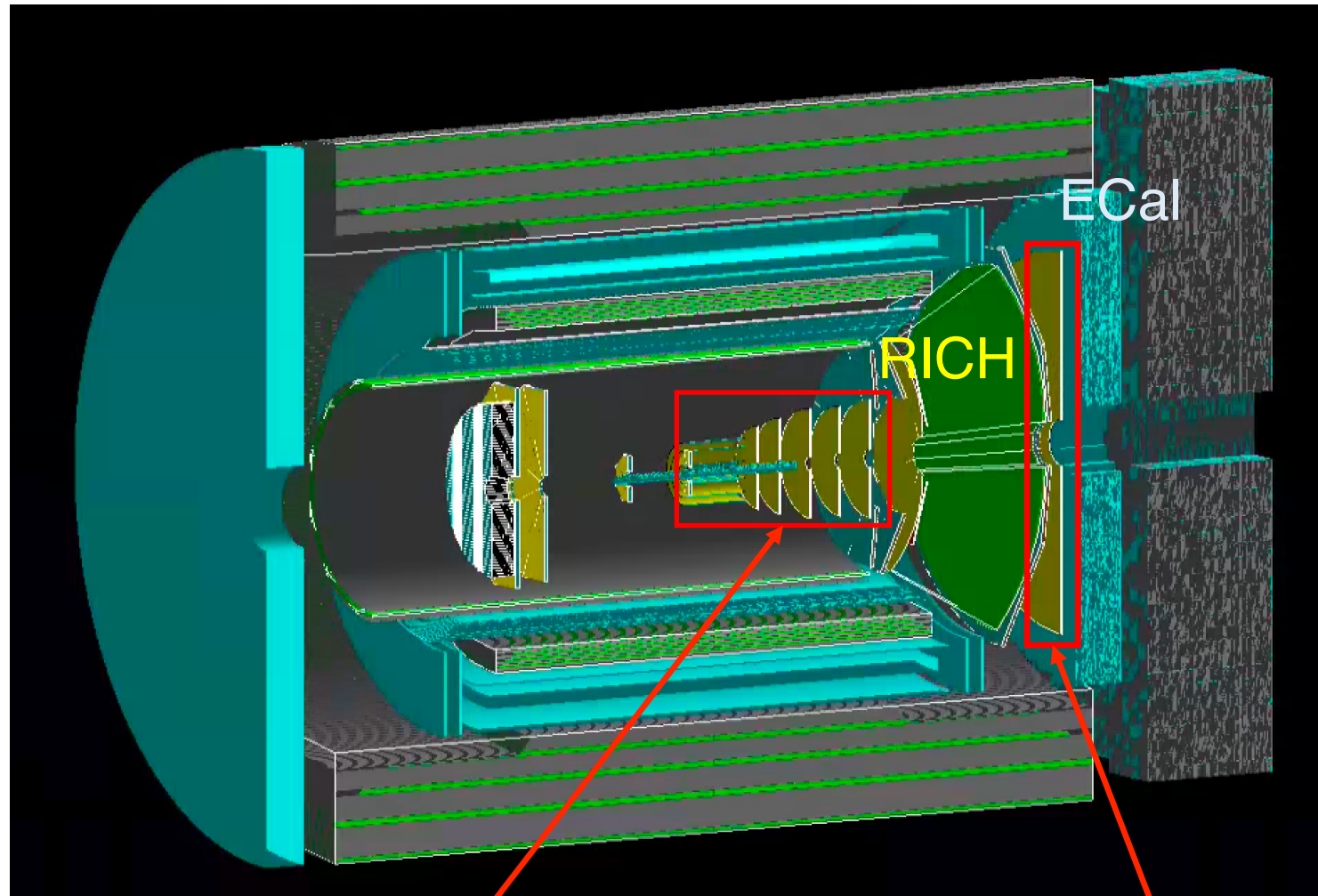
## **LGADs:**

- Potential to combine TOF and (partially) tracker in one system
- Lots of R&Ds at the HL-LHC to synergize

Rough cost estimate (based on CMS ETL): ~ total of \$10 M for 15 m<sup>2</sup>

# Performance studies based on [Fun4All](#) from sPHENIX

*as an example*



Silicon tracker  
(Barrel + Forward from LANL)

**LGAD TOF**

Focus on forward  
for now!

# Detector setup

Barrel	Radius (cm)	Z range (cm)	$\eta$ range	Pitch size ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
Layer 1	3.64	(-20, 20)	(-2.4, 2.4)	20
Layer 2	4.81	(-20, 20)	(-2.1, 2.1)	20
Layer 3	5.98	(-25, 25)	(-2.1, 2.1)	20
Layer 4	16	(-25, 25)	(-1.2, 1.2)	36.4
Layer 5	22	(-25, 25)	(-1.0, 1.0)	36.4

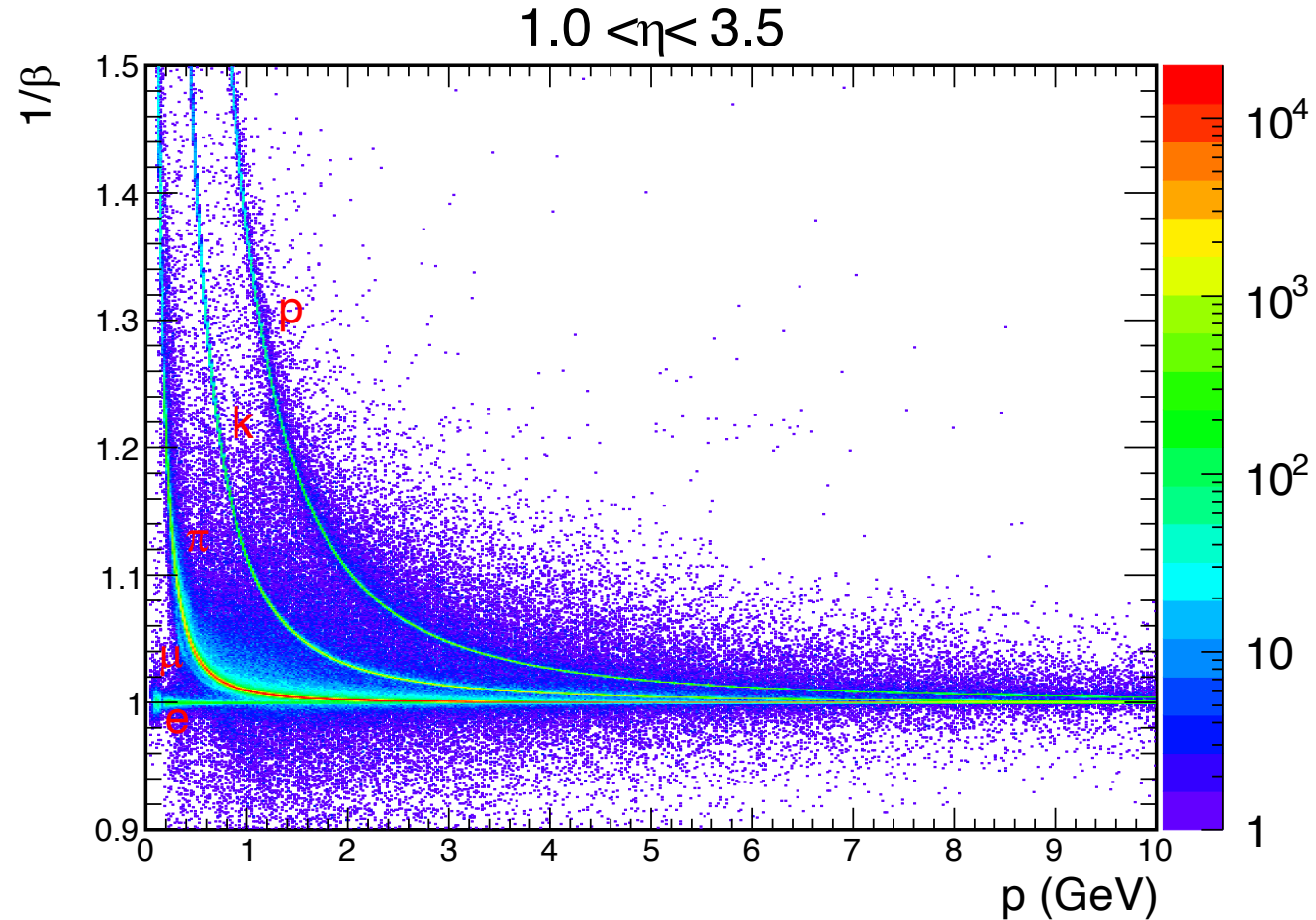
Forward	Radius (cm)	Z position (cm)	$\eta$ range	Pitch size ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
Layer 1	(4.0, 25)	35	(1.1, 2.9)	20
Layer 2	(4.5, 42)	62.3	(1.2, 3.3)	20
Layer 3	(5.2, 43)	90	(1.5, 3.6)	20
Layer 4	(6.0, 44)	115	(1.7, 3.7)	36.4
Layer 5	(6.5, 45)	125	(1.8, 3.7)	36.4
<b>LGADs-TOF</b>	<b>(15, 141)</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>(1.4, 3.6)</b>	<b>TBD</b>

LGADs time resolution: 20 ps/layer with ultra-thin sensors (e.g., 25 $\mu\text{m}$ )  
( $1/\sqrt{2}$  if double layers)

Using LGADs for Layer 1-5 in sPHENIX config. do not help TOF-PID because of too short flight distance

# $1/\beta$ vs. $p$

Pythia6: e (10 GeV) + p (250 GeV)

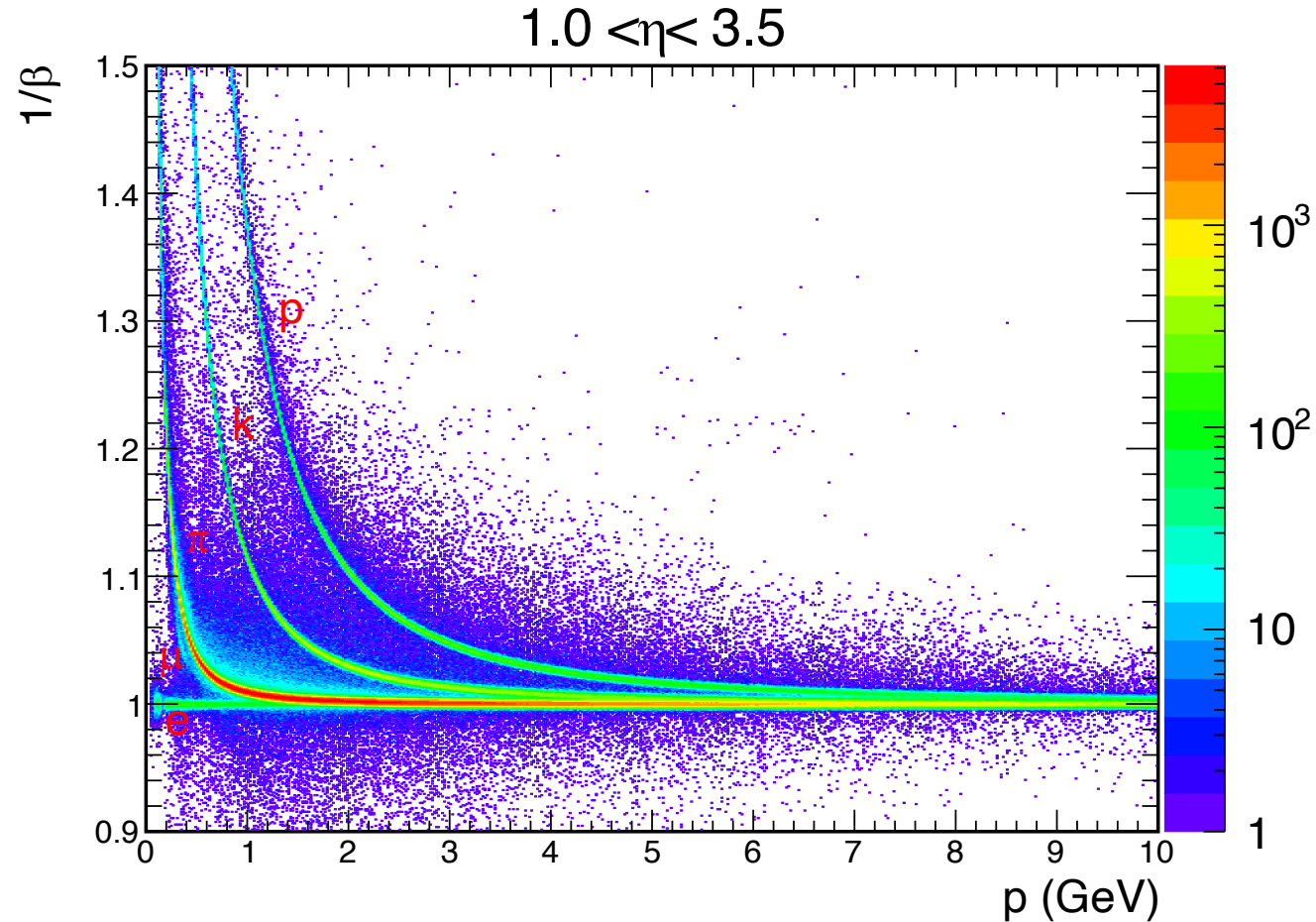


- Velocity with **ONLY** pathlength uncertainty
  - non-negligible effect from tracking



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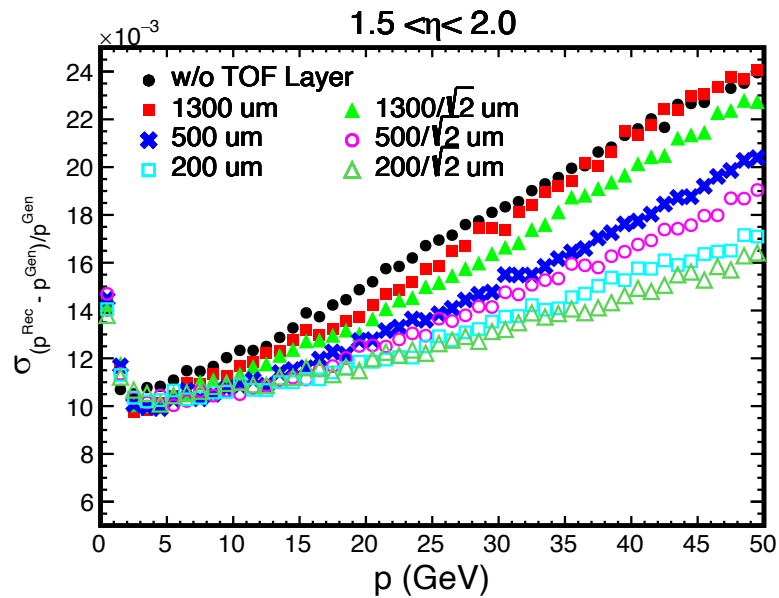


- Velocity with pathlength and timing (two layers,  $20/\sqrt{2}$  ps) uncertainty
  - $\pi/k$  separation: 0.1~4-5 GeV;  $k/p$  separation: 0.1~7-8 GeV
  - No start-time ( $T_0$ ) contribution

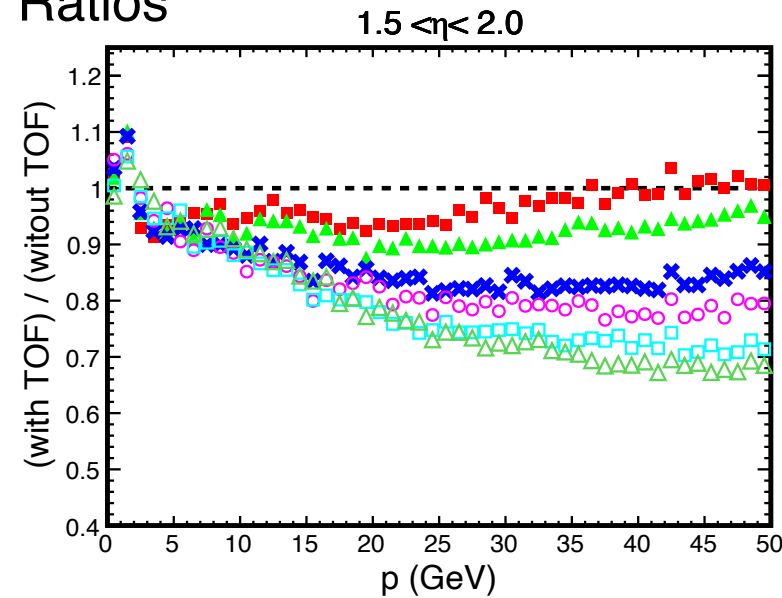
# Tracking performance with LGADs-TOF layer(s)

- Particle gun
  - Pion with flat  $p_T$  : 0.1 – 20 GeV
  - $1.5 < \eta < 3.5$
- Spatial resolution: (pitch size) /  $\sqrt{12}$ 
  - 1300  $\mu\text{m}$ : CMS/ATLAS timing layer
  - 500  $\mu\text{m}$ : optimistically achievable
  - 200  $\mu\text{m}$ : requires significant R&D esp. on ASICs  
( $1/\sqrt{2}$  if double layers)

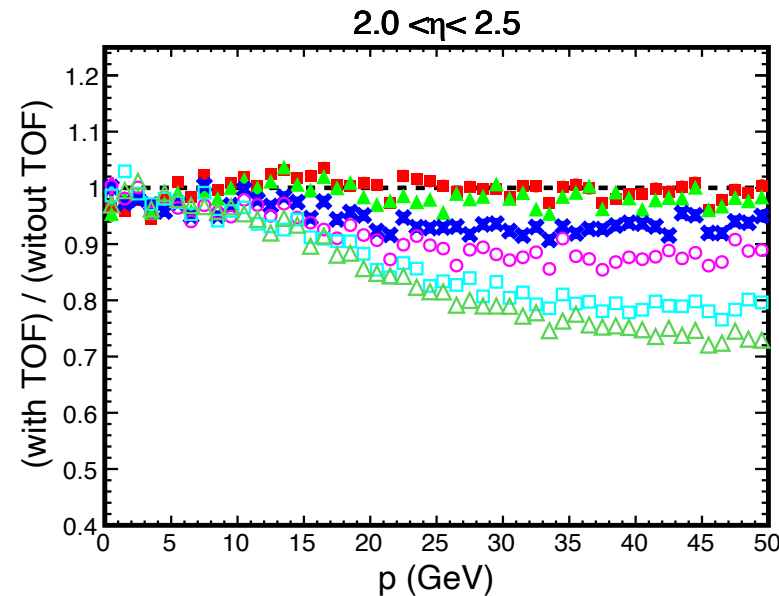
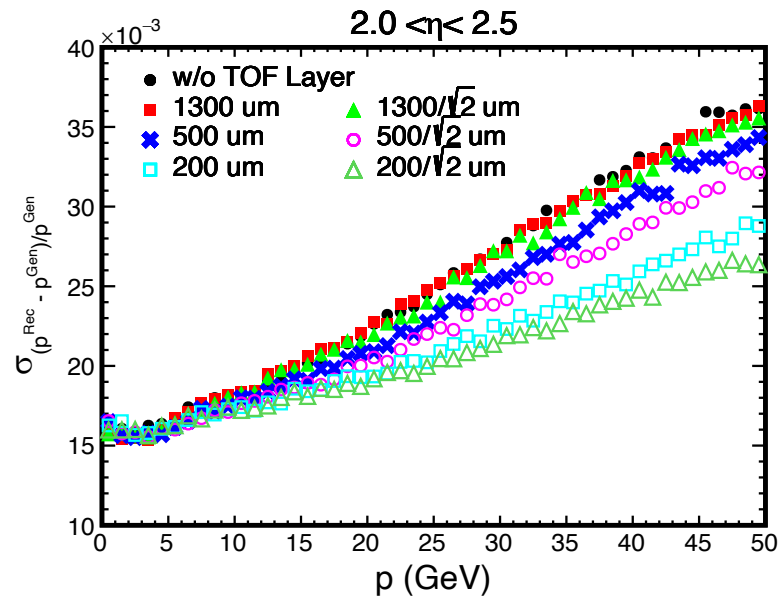
# Track $p_T$ resolution with pion guns



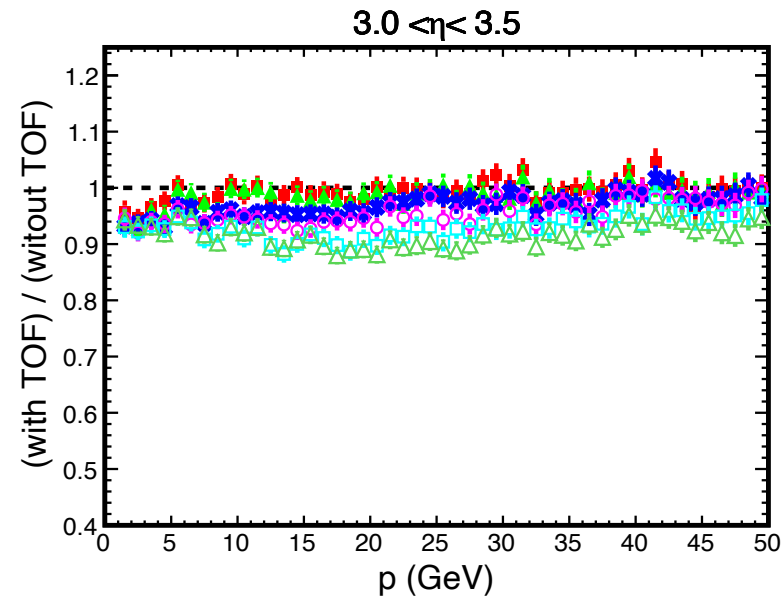
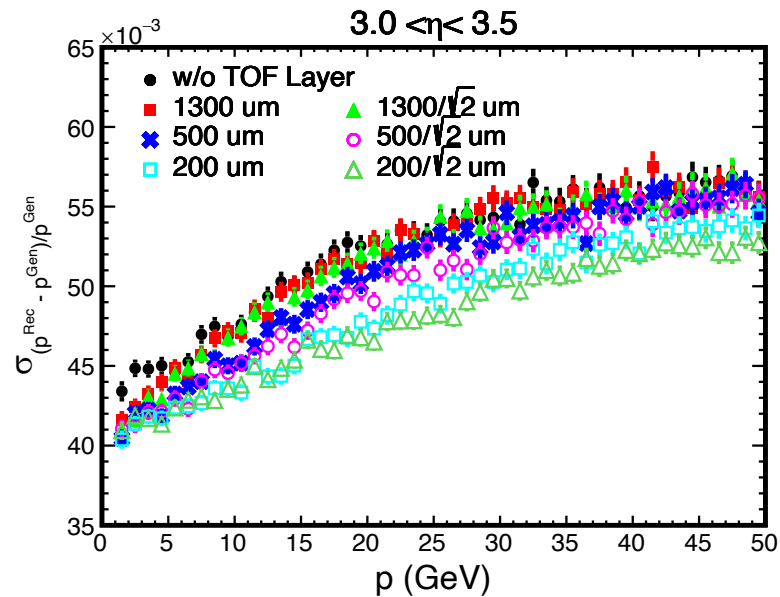
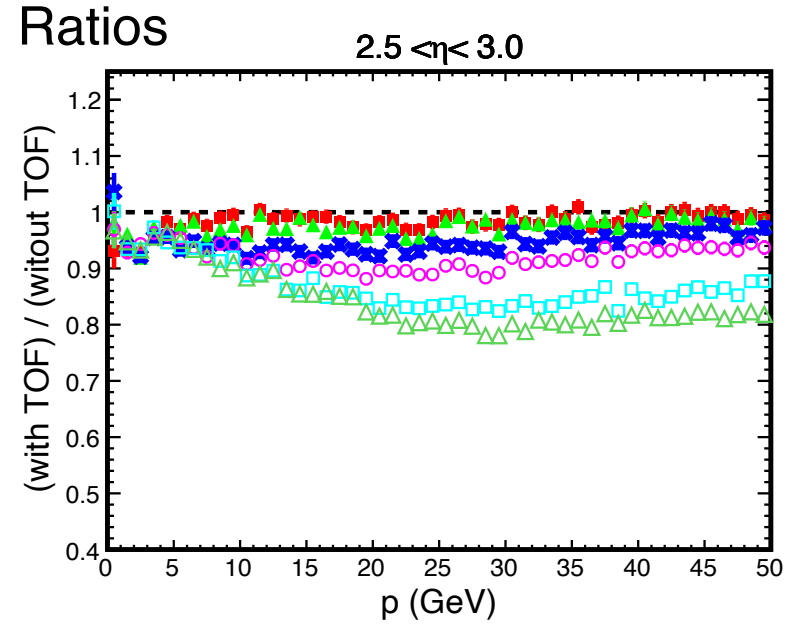
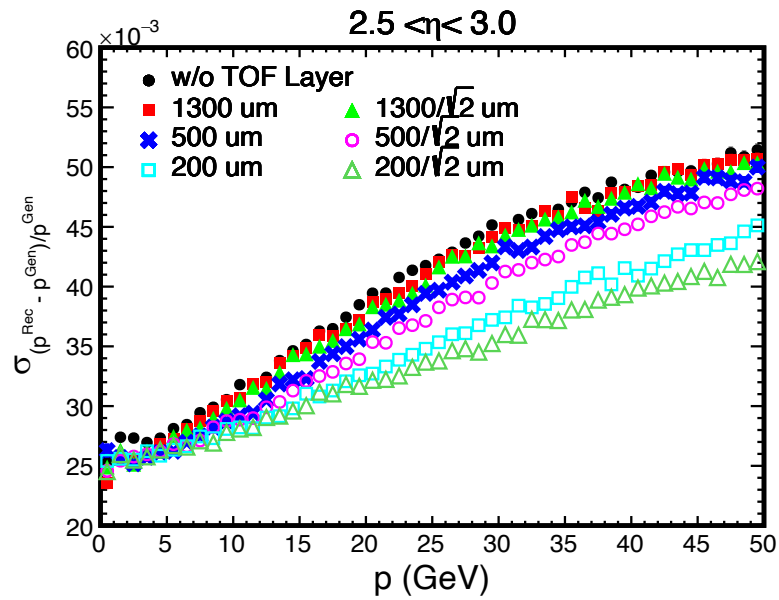
## Ratios



$1.5 < \eta < 2.0$ :  
 $\sim 50\%$  of disk area



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# Conclusion and next steps

## Considered design of all silicon tracker + outmost LGADs layers (4-D)

### (i) LGADs for TOF-PID

- Single-layer time resolution of  $\sim 20$  ps (total) required
- Performance dominated by farthest layer(s):  $L > \sim 3$  m is desired in forward
- Path length uncertainty non-negligible: coupled with the tracker

### (ii) LGADs for tracking (at outer layers)

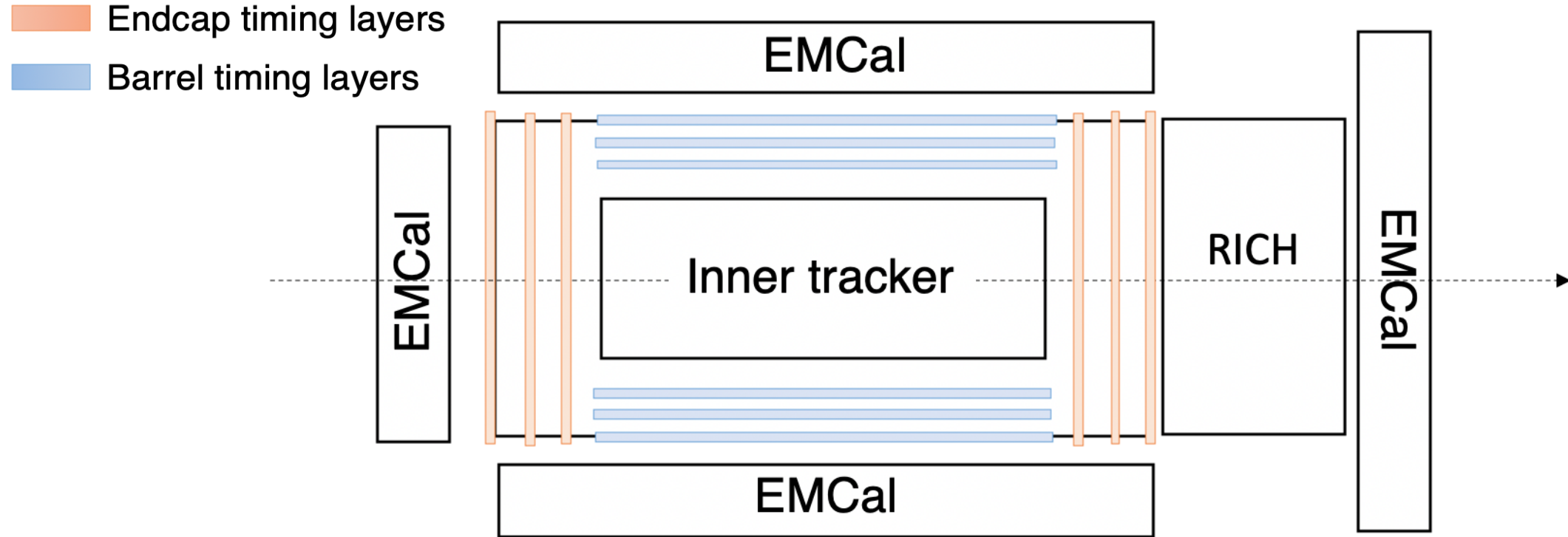
- Standard pitch size ( $1.3 \times 1.3$  mm<sup>2</sup>) does not degrade  $\sigma(p_T)$
- Pitch size of  $0.5 \times 0.5$  mm<sup>2</sup> to  $0.2 \times 0.2$  mm<sup>2</sup> can improve high  $p_T$   $\sigma(p_T)$  by 10-20%
- Effect on track impact parameter to be investigated

## Toward a full $4\pi$ (cost-effective) design of LGADs-TOP

- Backward kept similar to Forward but no need of finer pitch size
- Mid-rapidity?
  - $r > 1.5$  m desired: is there enough space?
  - Larger area to cover: can we afford it?

# Backups

# TOF-tracker PID with LGADs at EIC

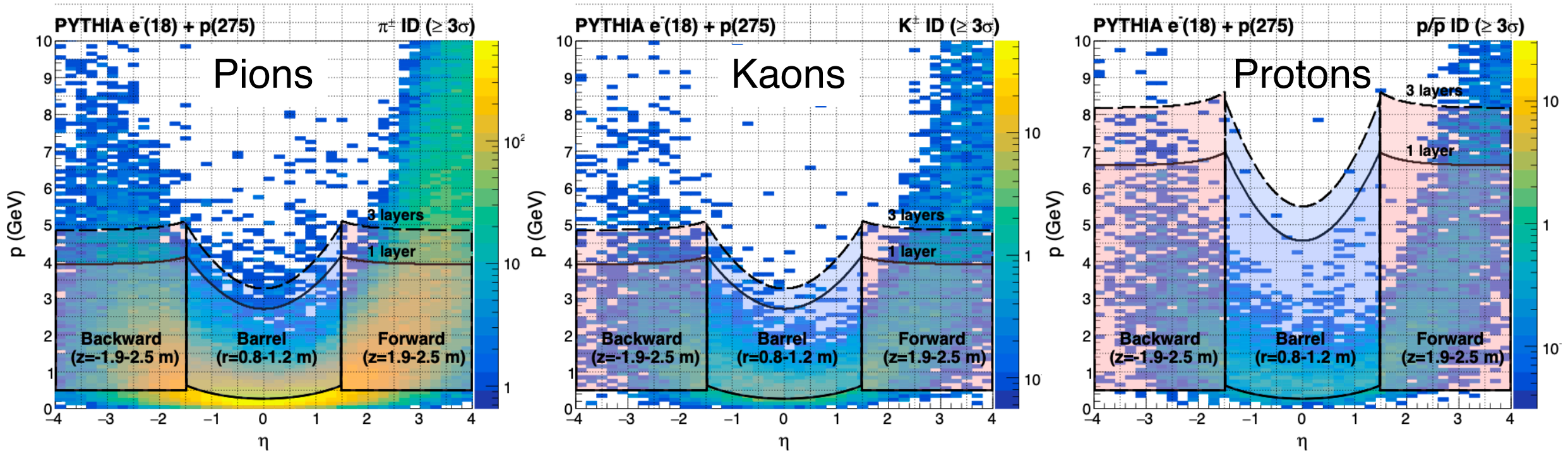


**Timing layers outside inner tracker as both TOF and outer tracker**

- ❖ presently not considering timing layers for the inner tracker due to too short flight distance and the requirement of low material budgets

# TOF-tracker PID with LGADs at EIC

- Time resolution:  $\sigma_T = 20$  ps / layer
- Flight distance:  $L_{\text{half}} \sim 2$  m,  $r \sim 1$  m



Cover a wide phase space of PID required at the EIC



## EIC Detector Requirements

Table 2: Physics requirements for an EIC detector

$\eta$	Nomenclature		Tracking			Electrons		$\pi/K/p$ PID		HCAL	Muons						
			Resolution	Allowed $X/X_0$	Si-Vertex	Resolution $\sigma_E/E$	PID	p-Range (GeV/c)	Separation	Resolution $\sigma_E/E$							
-6.9 – -5.8	↓ p/A	Auxiliary Detectors	low- $Q^2$ tagger	$\delta\theta/\theta < 1.5\%$ ; $10^{-6} < Q^2 < 10^{-2} \text{ GeV}^2$													
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-4.5 – -4.0			Instrumentation to separate charged particles from photons														
-4.0 – -3.5																	
-3.5 – -3.0	Central Detector	Backwards Detectors	$\sigma_p/p \sim 0.1\% \times p + 2.0\%$	~5% or less	TBD	2%/√E	$\pi$ suppression up to 1:10 <sup>4</sup>	≤ 7 GeV/c	≥ 3 $\sigma$	~50%/√E							
-3.0 – -2.5																	
-2.5 – -2.0			$\sigma_p/p \sim 0.05\% \times p + 1.0\%$														
-2.0 – -1.5																	
-1.5 – -1.0		Barrel															
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-0.5 – 0.0			$\sigma_p/p \sim 0.05\% \times p + 0.5\%$			$\sigma_{xyz} \sim 20 \mu\text{m}$ , $d_0(z) \sim d_0(r\phi) \sim 20/p_T \text{ GeV } \mu\text{m} + 5 \mu\text{m}$			≤ 5 GeV/c		TBD	TBD					
0.0 – 0.5																	
0.5 – 1.0																	
1.0 – 1.5																	
1.5 – 2.0	Forward Detectors	$\sigma_p/p \sim 0.05\% \times p + 1.0\%$		TBD	(10-12)%/√E			≤ 8 GeV/c		~50%/√E							
2.0 – 2.5																	
2.5 – 3.0		$\sigma_p/p \sim 0.1\% \times p + 2.0\%$												≤ 20 GeV/c			
3.0 – 3.5														≤ 45 GeV/c			
3.5 – 4.0	↑ e	Auxiliary Detectors	Instrumentation to separate charged particles from photons														
4.0 – 4.5																	
...																	
> 6.2			Proton Spectrometer	$\sigma_{\text{intrinsic}}(I\#)/I\# < 1\%$ ; Acceptance: $0.2 < p_T < 1.2 \text{ GeV}/c$													