AC-LGAD TOF for ATHENA

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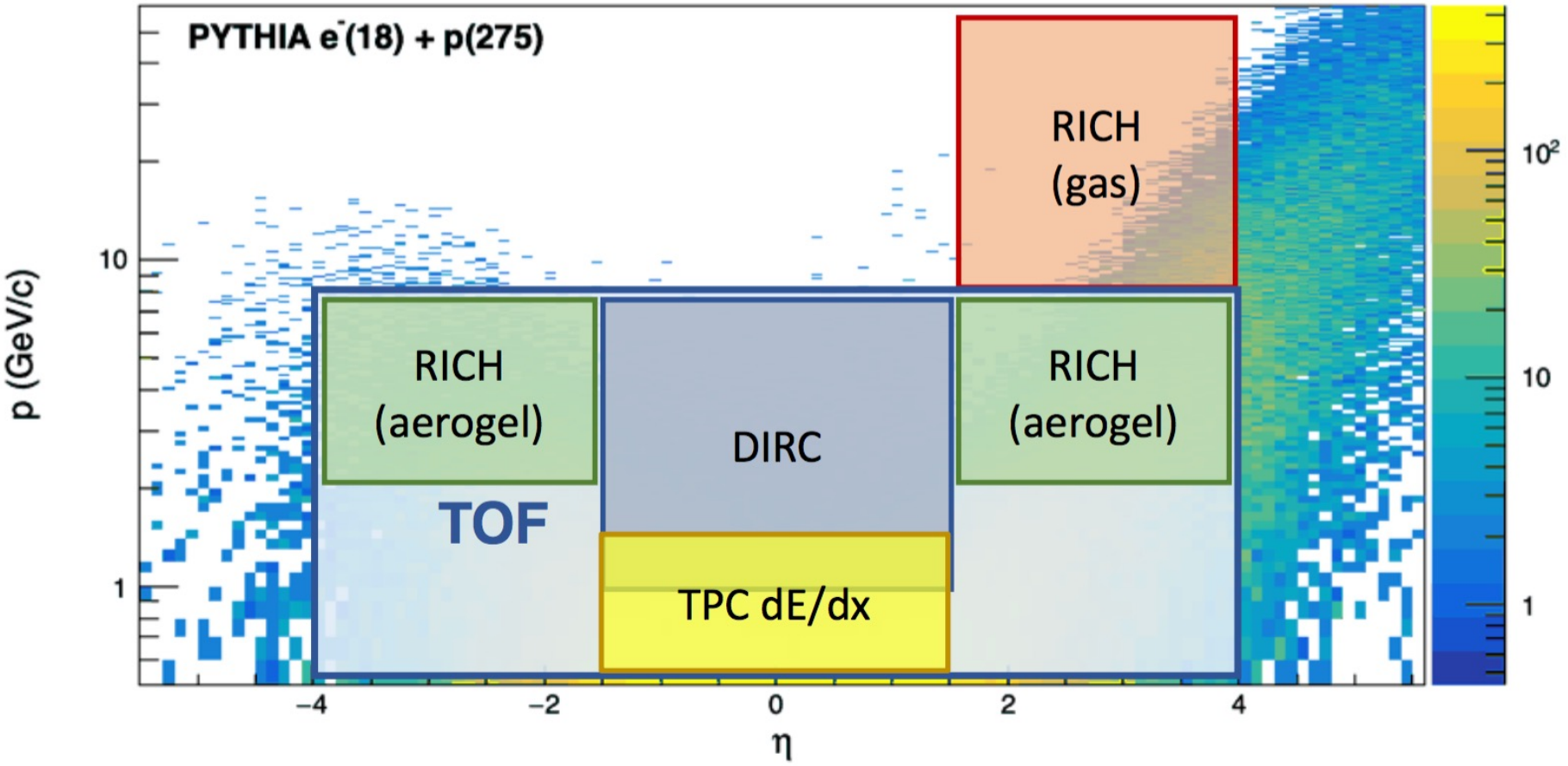

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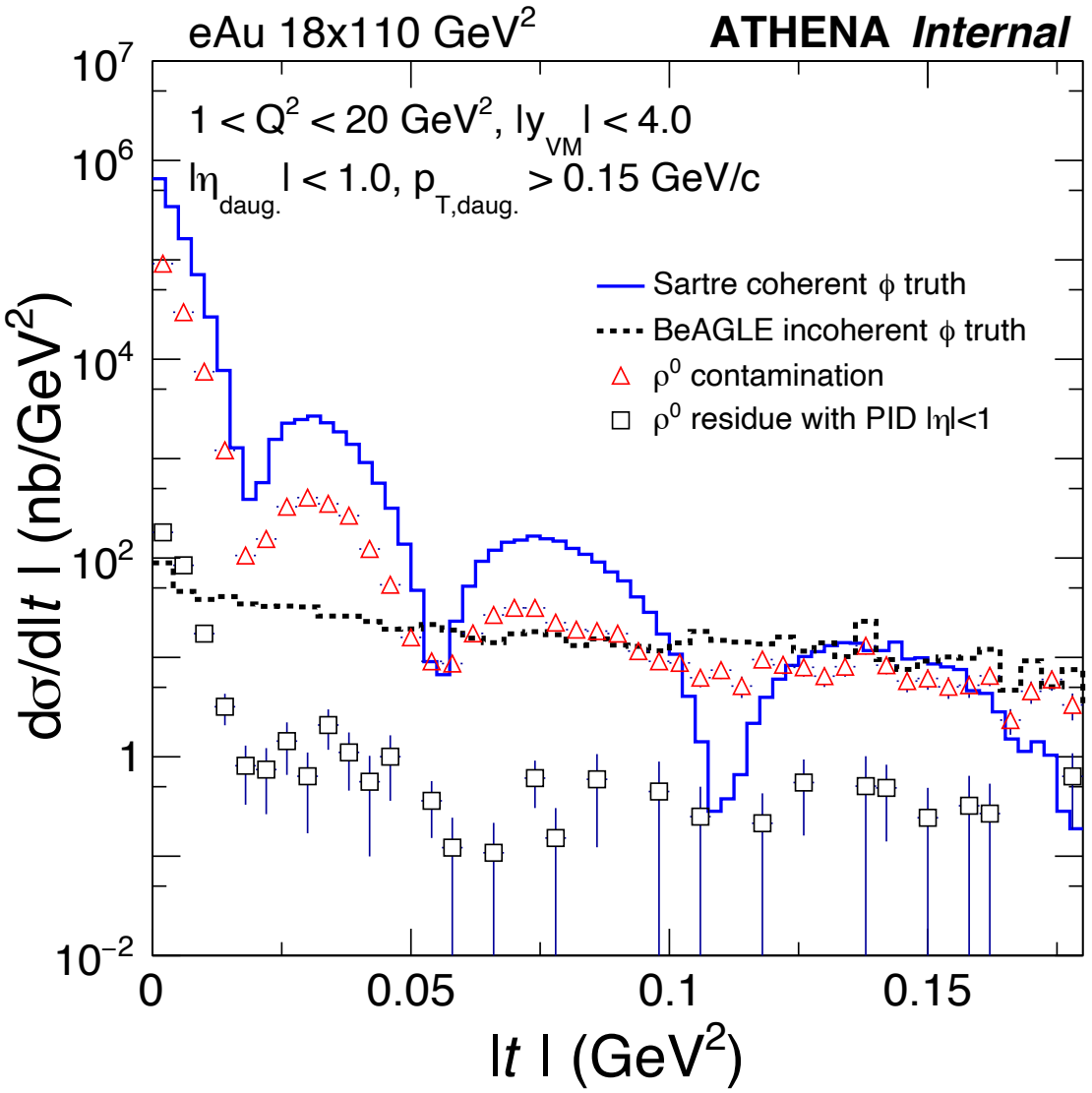

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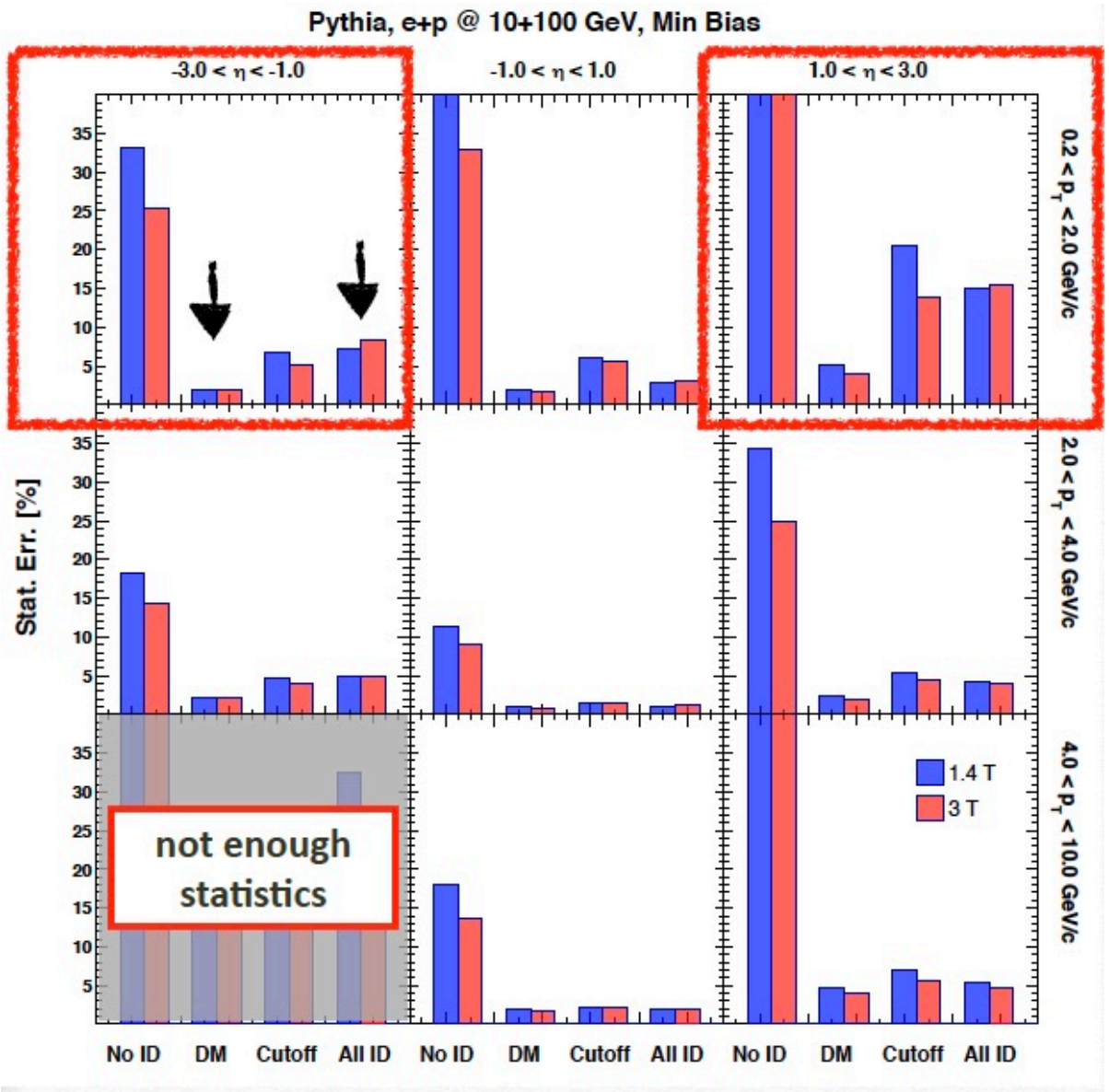

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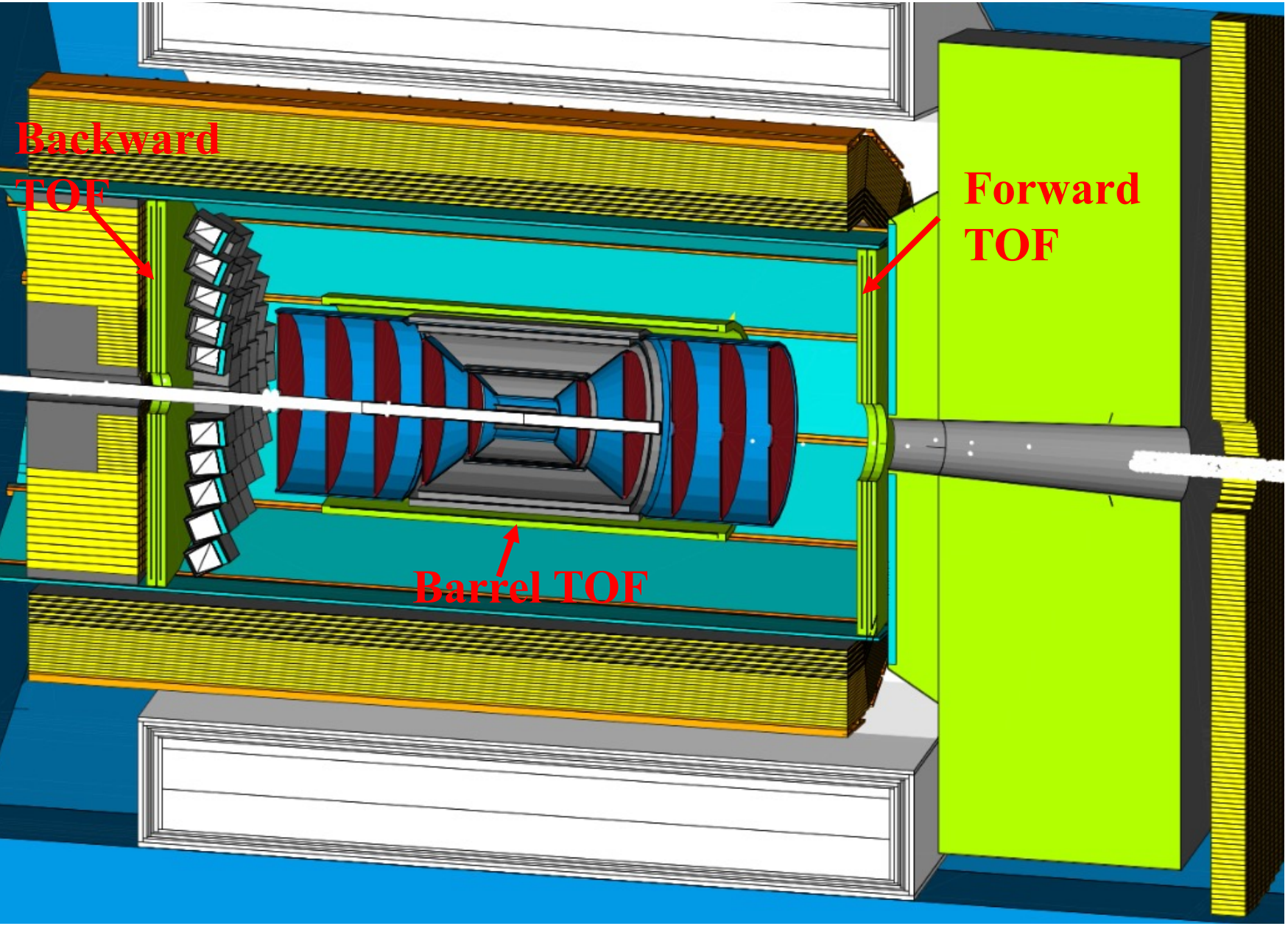

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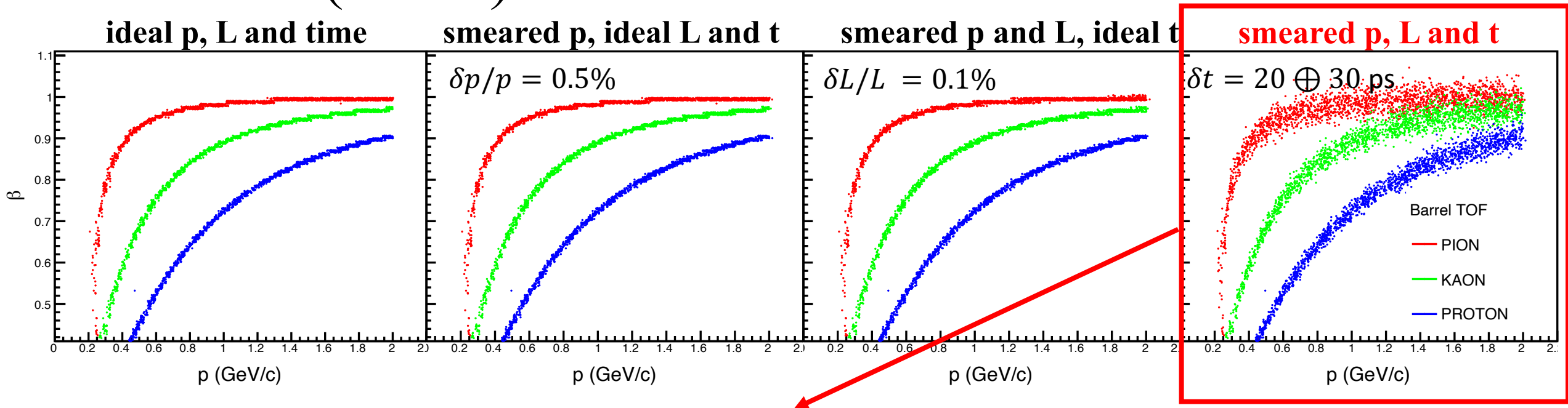

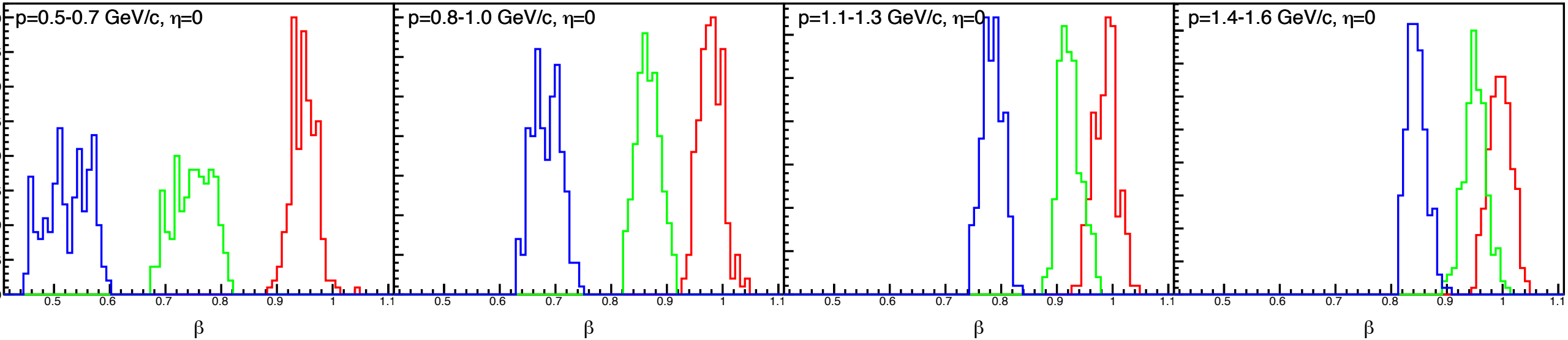

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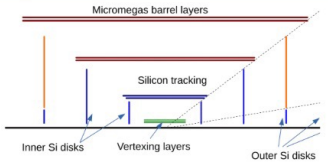

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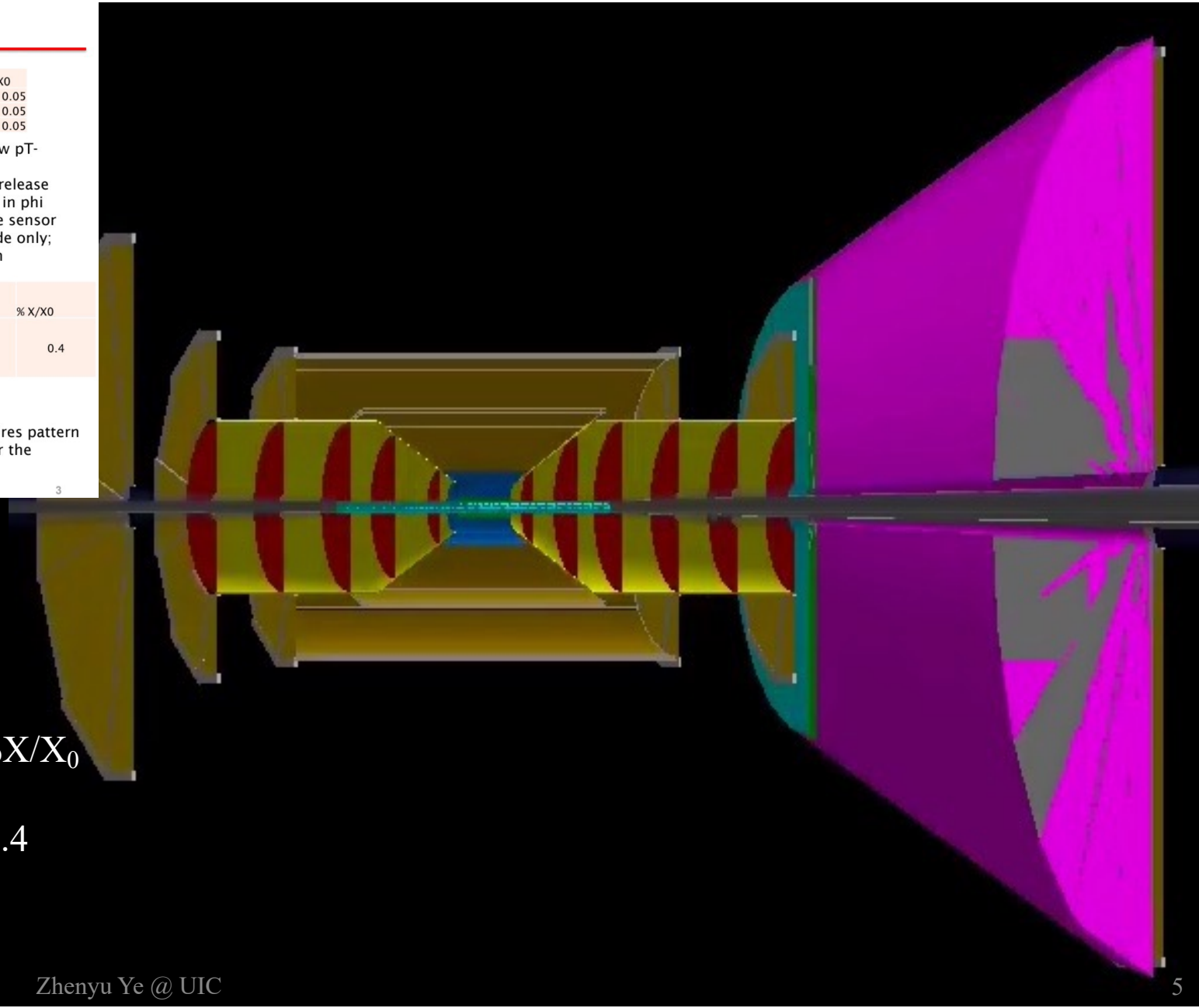

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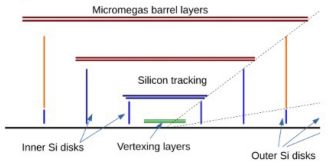

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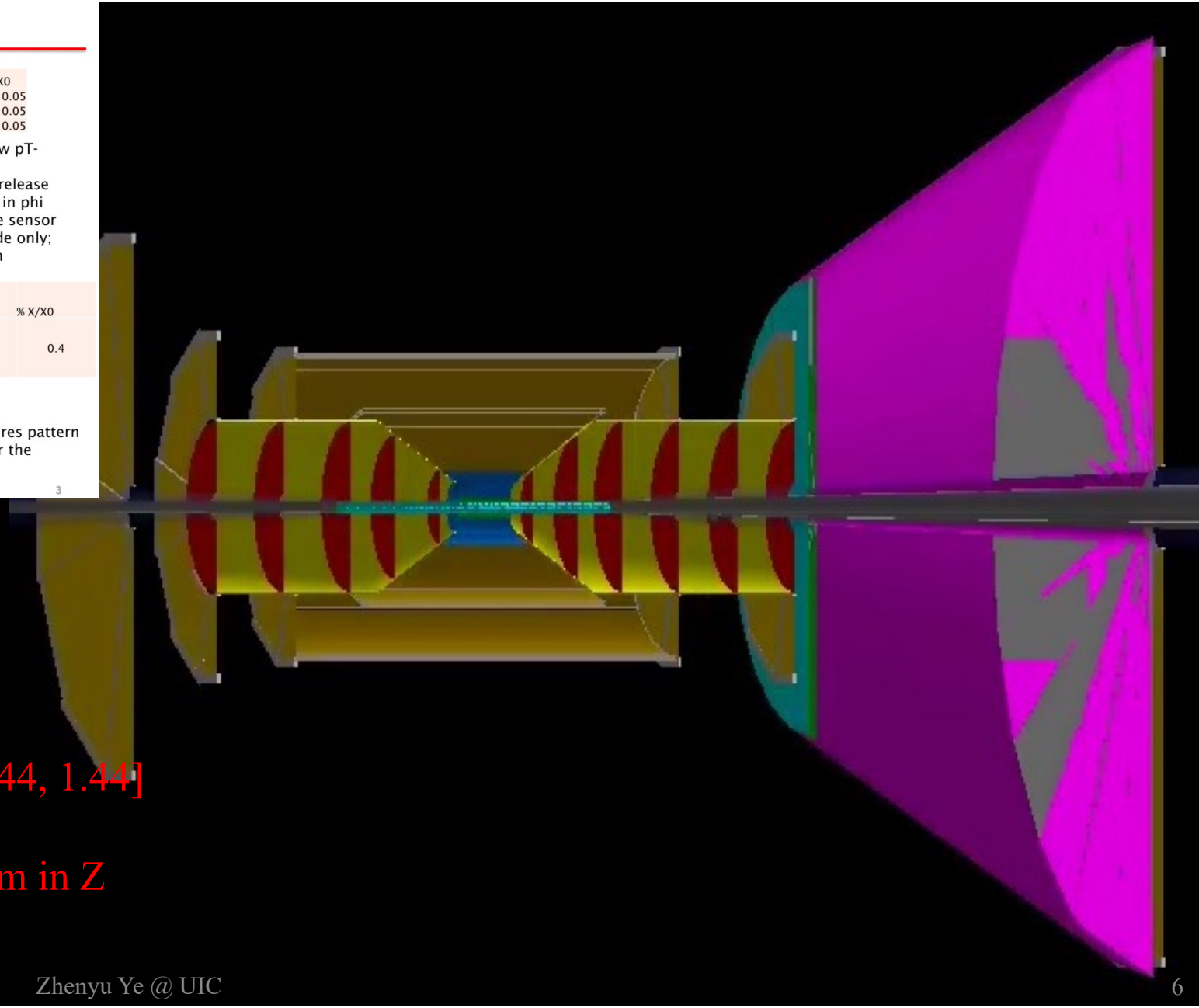

Additional Barrel Single Layer AC-LGAD

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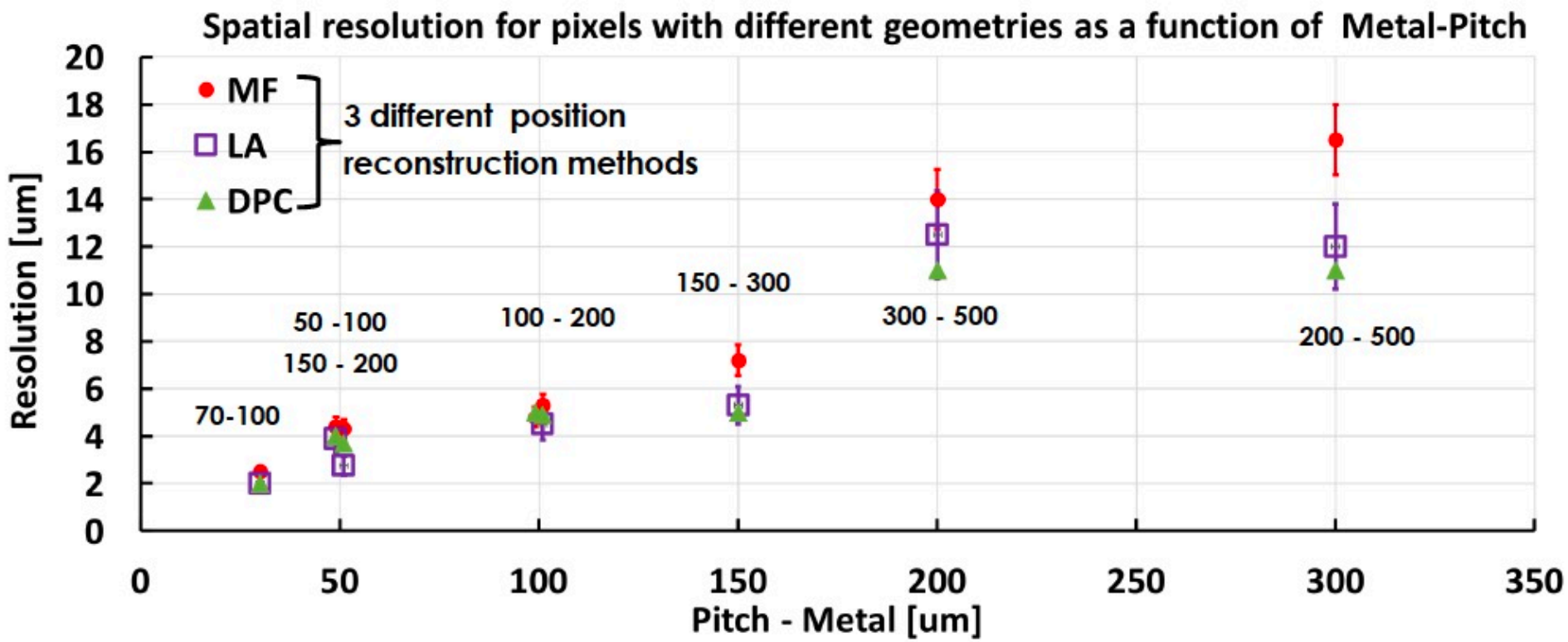
Strip pitch: 500 um in Rφ, 2.5 cm in Z

Spatial resolution: 15 um in Rφ, 2.5/sqrt(12) cm in Z

Material budget: 1.1%X_0

Laser study: position resolution as a function of pixel geometry

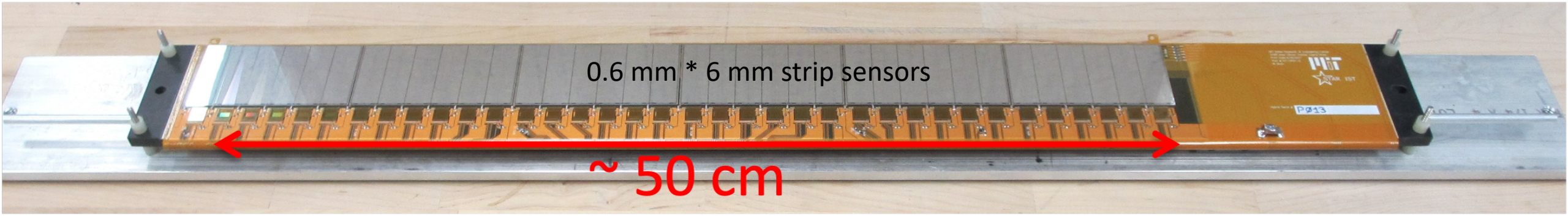


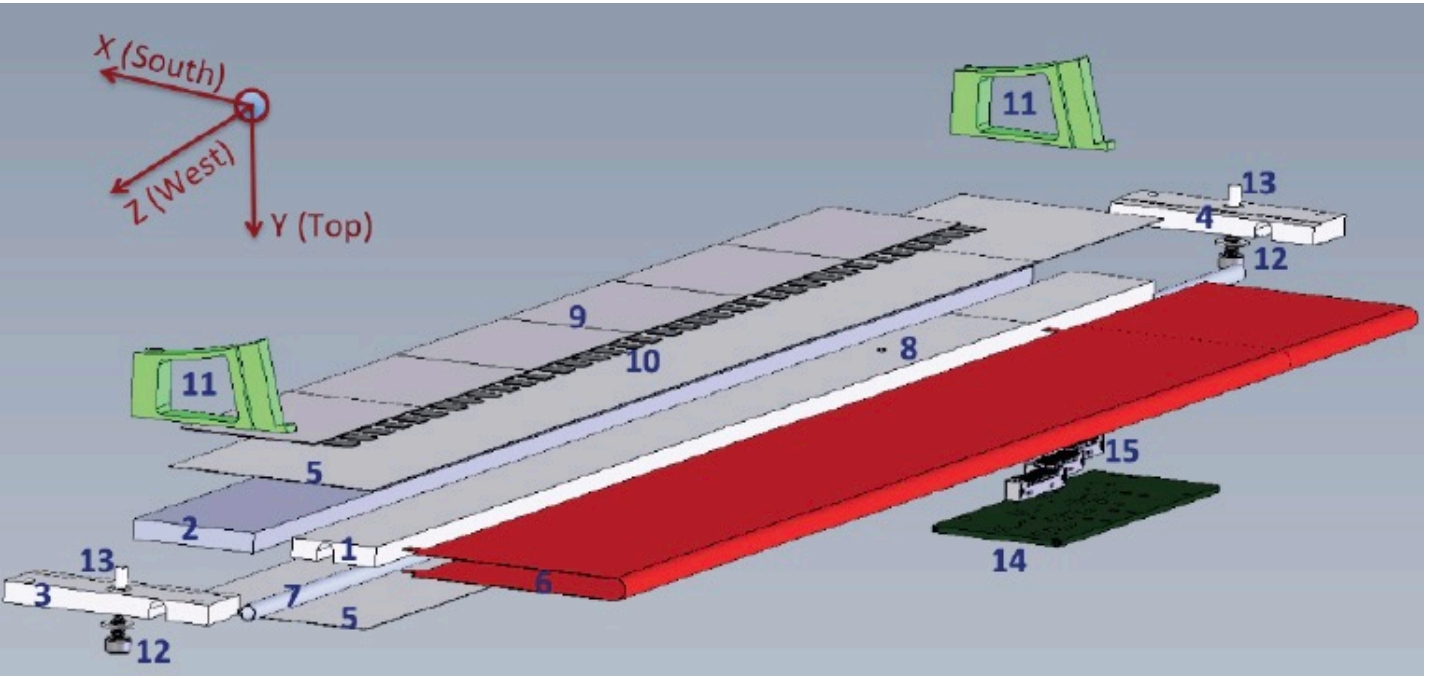
RSDs reach a spatial resolution that is about 5% of the inter-pad distance

➔ ~ 5 μm resolution with 150 μm pitch

RSDs have the "usual" UFSD temporal resolution of 30-40 ps

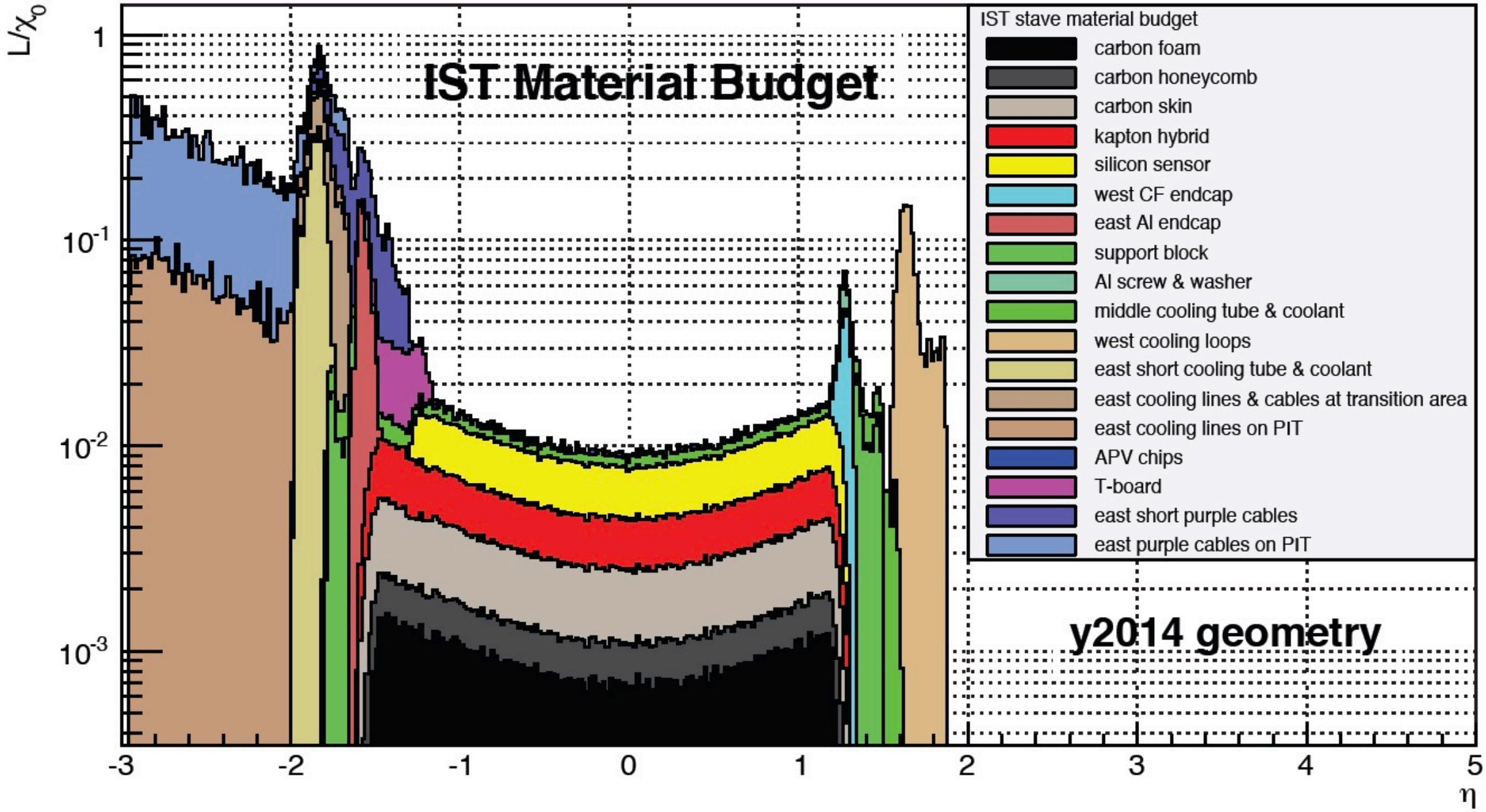
AC-LGAD Barrel TOF Detector for EIC – STAR IST





1) carbon foam 2) carbon honeycomb 3) west carbon end-cap 4) east Al end-cap 5) carbon fiber skins 6) Kapton hybrid 7) Al cooling tube with cooling liquid inside 8) thermal sensor 9) silicon sensors 10) APV chips 11) support blocks 12) screws with washers 13) spacers 14) transition board 15) readout connectors.

AC-LGAD Endcap TOF Detectors for EIC – STAR IST



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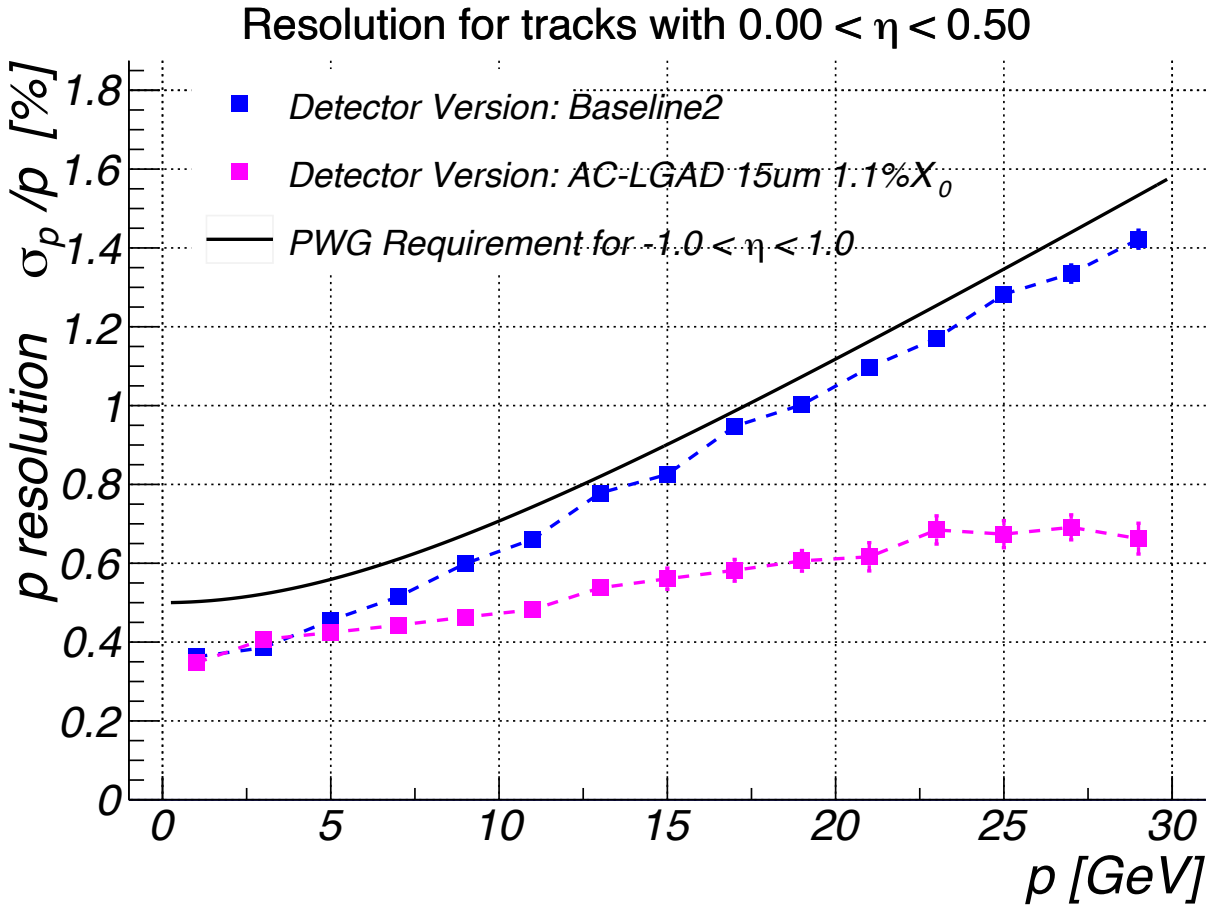

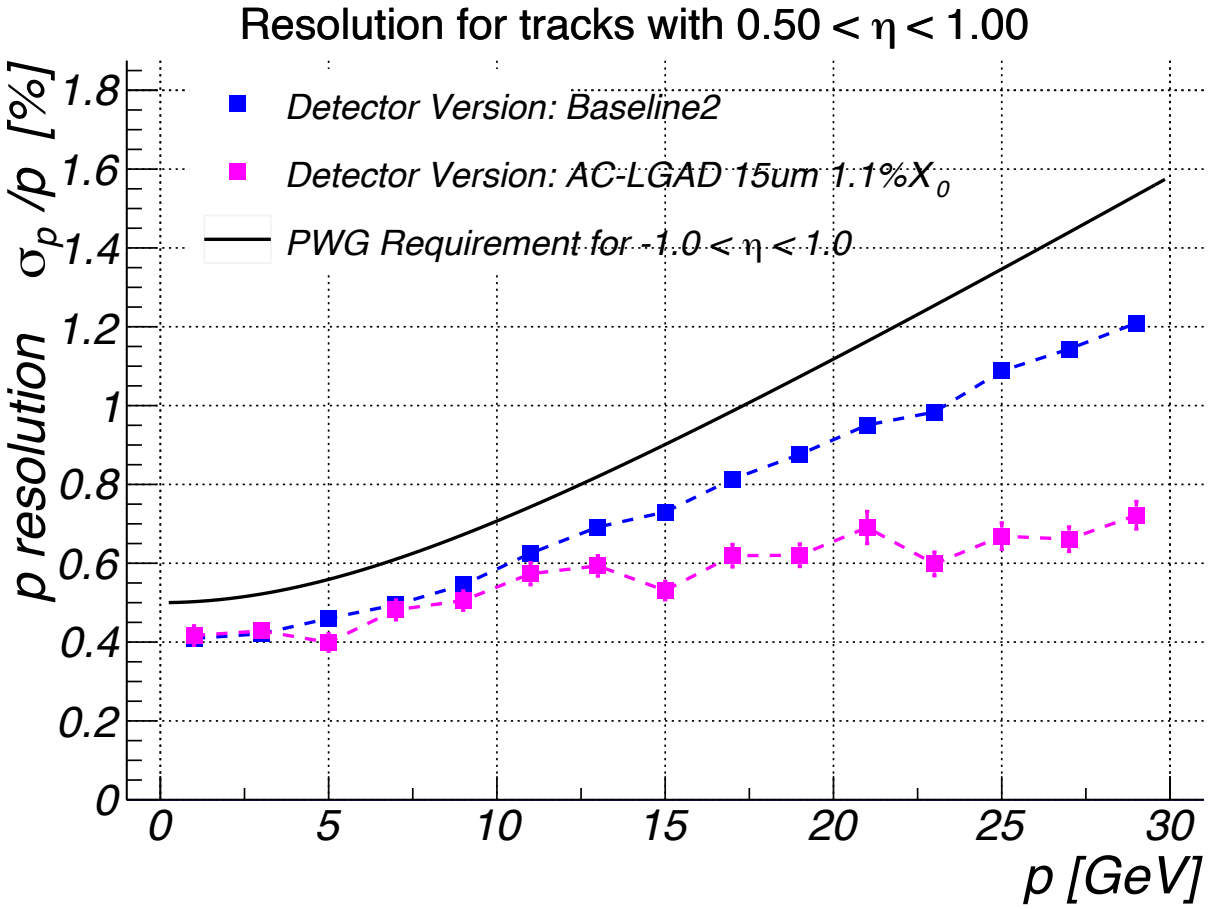

Adding the proposed Barrel AC-LGAD layer (e.g. 500 microns pitch perpendicular to the beam direction and ~1%X_0) can improve high momentum resolution

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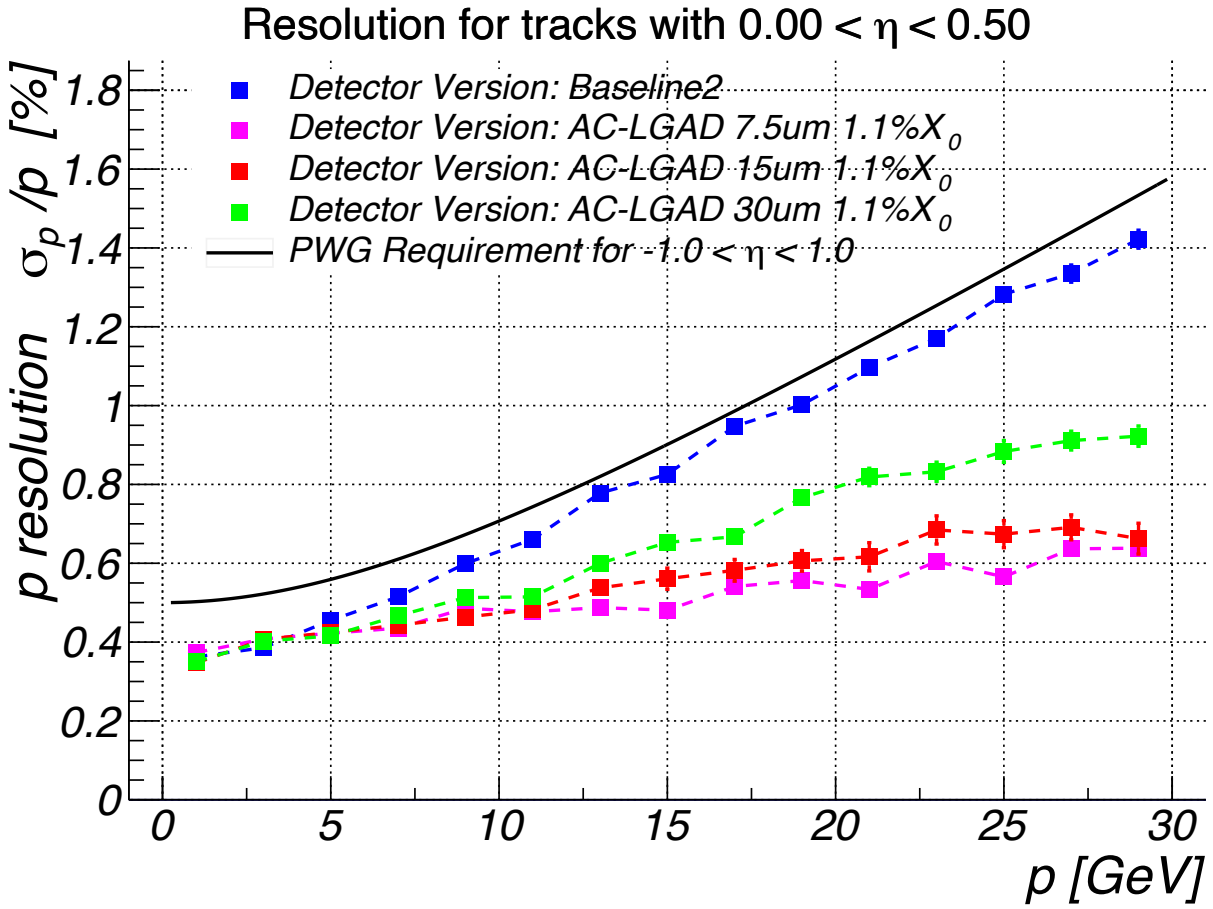

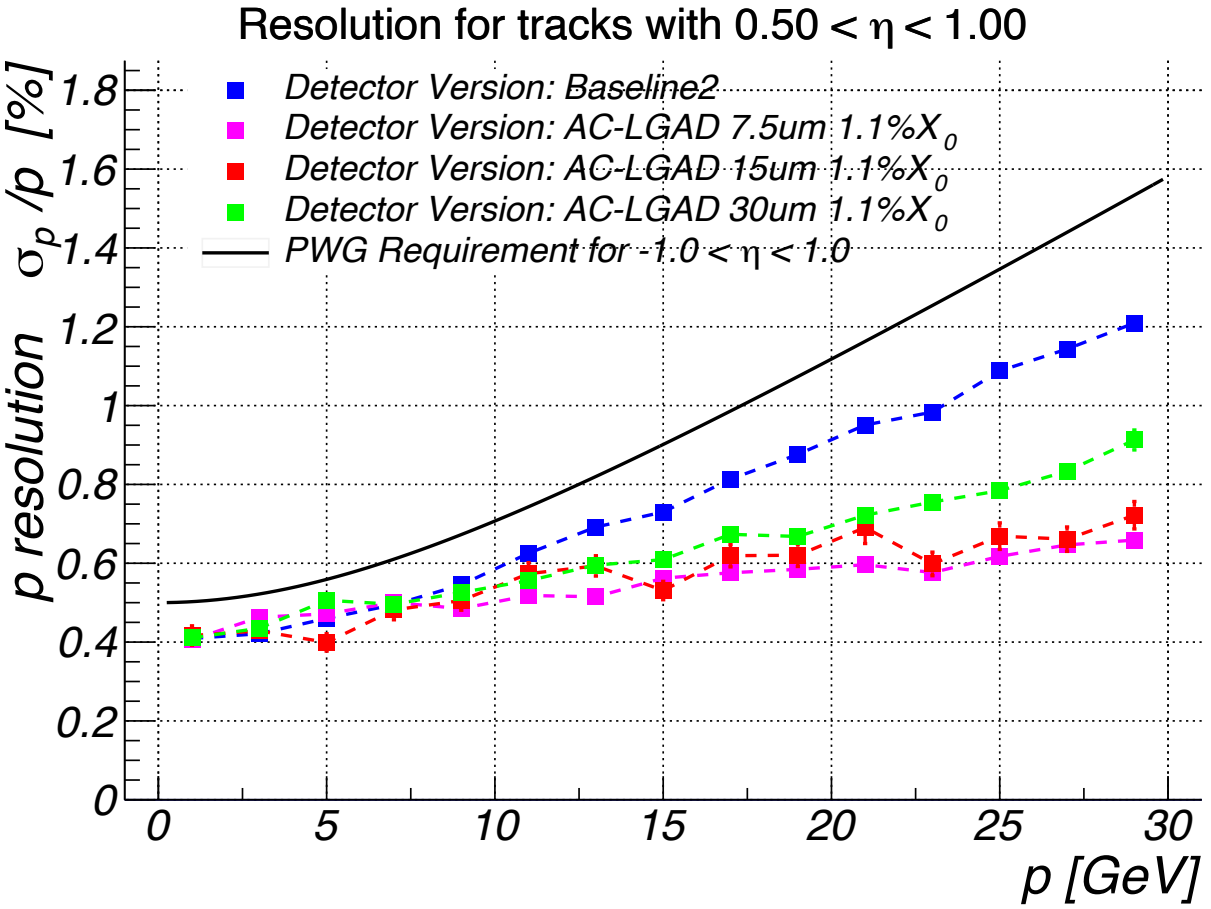

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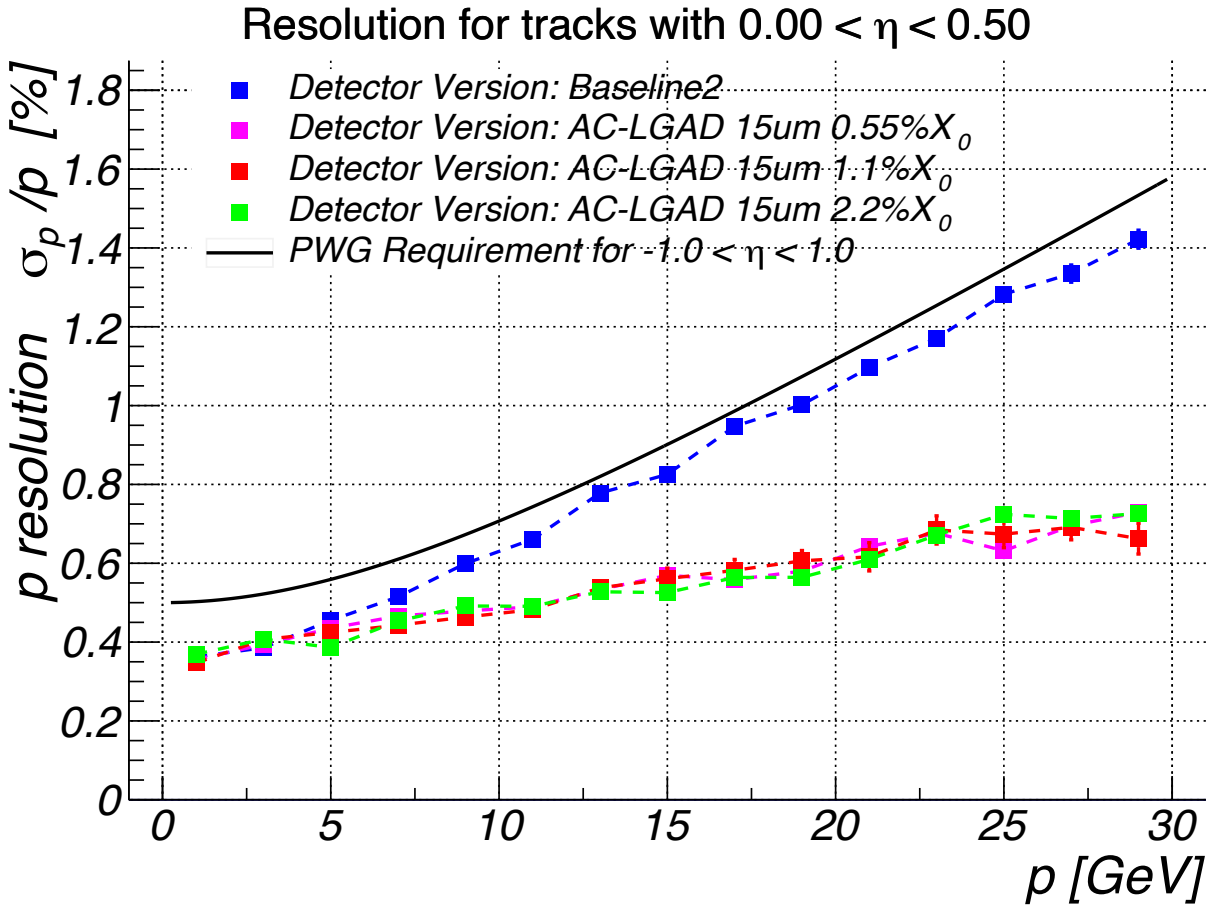

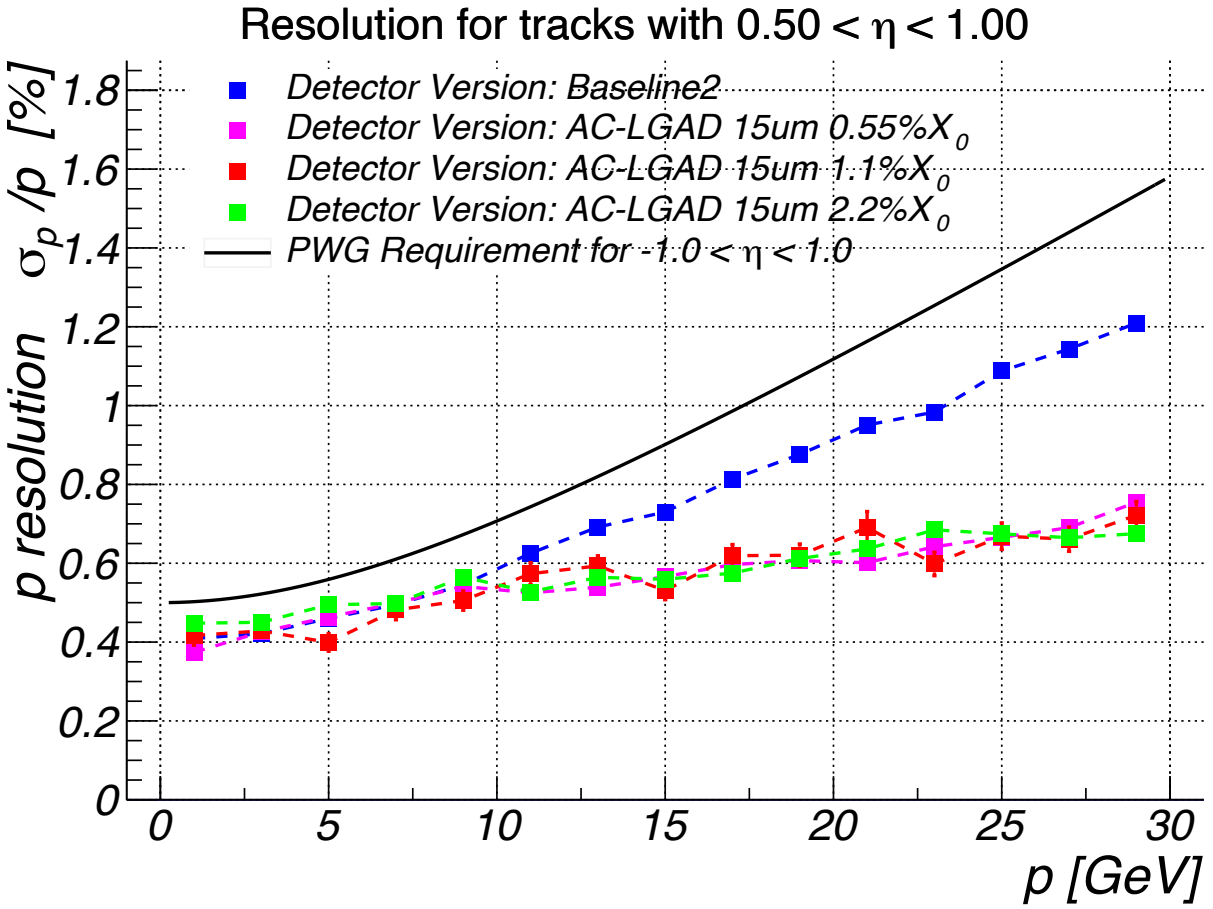

Conclusion

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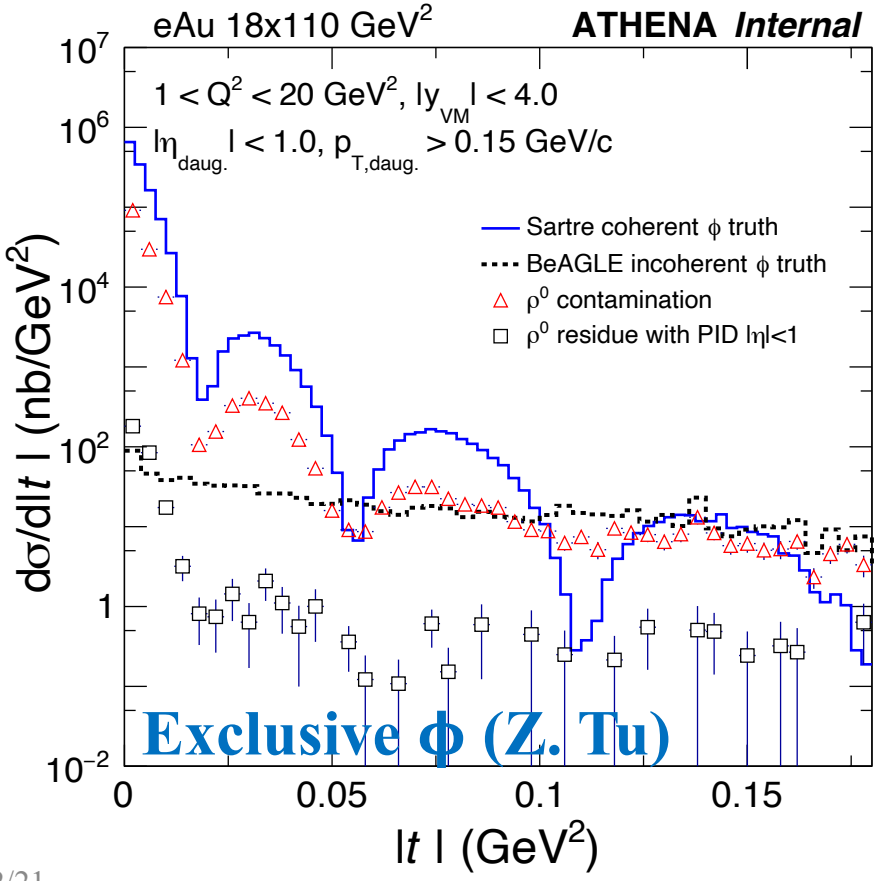
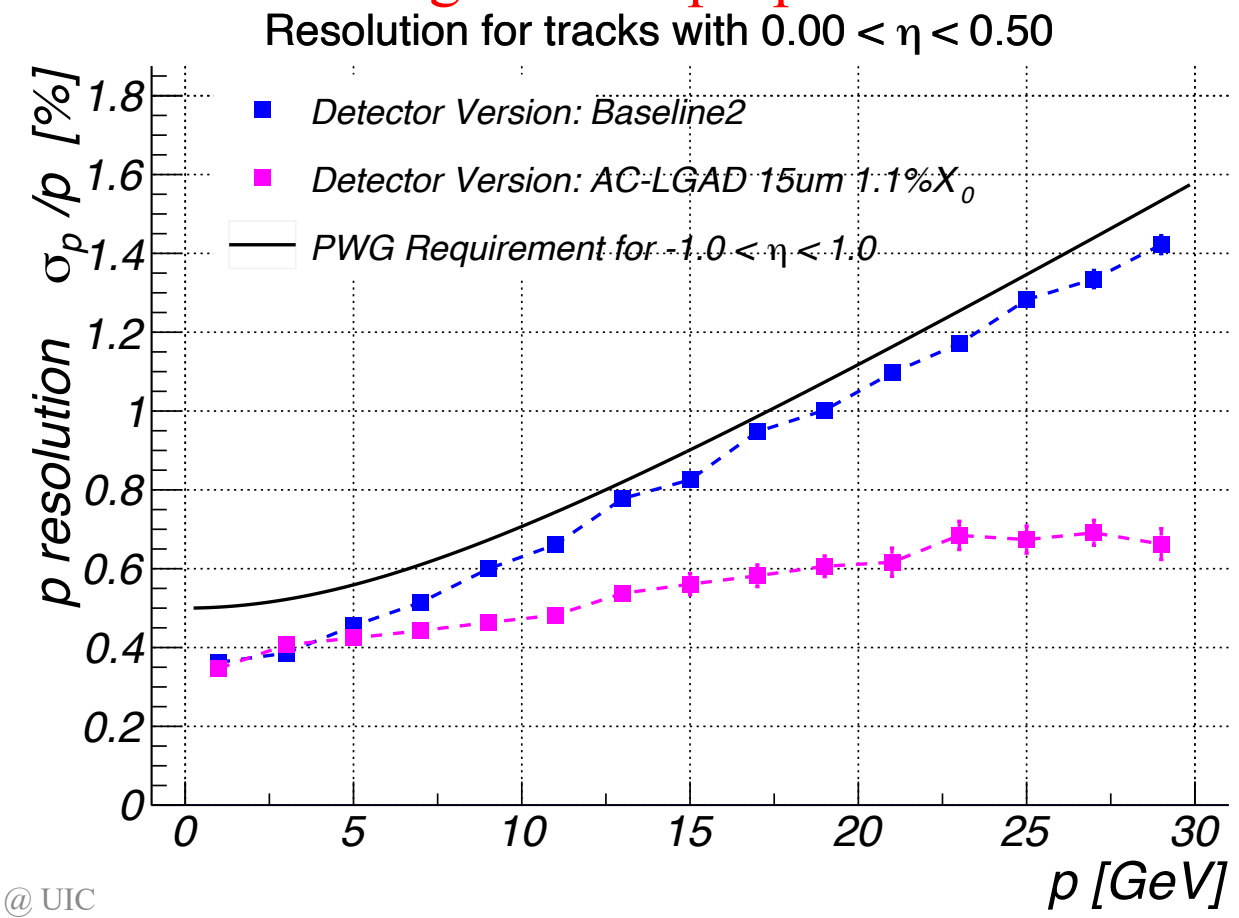
Therefore, we strongly urge the collaboration to consider adding it in the proposed baseline design





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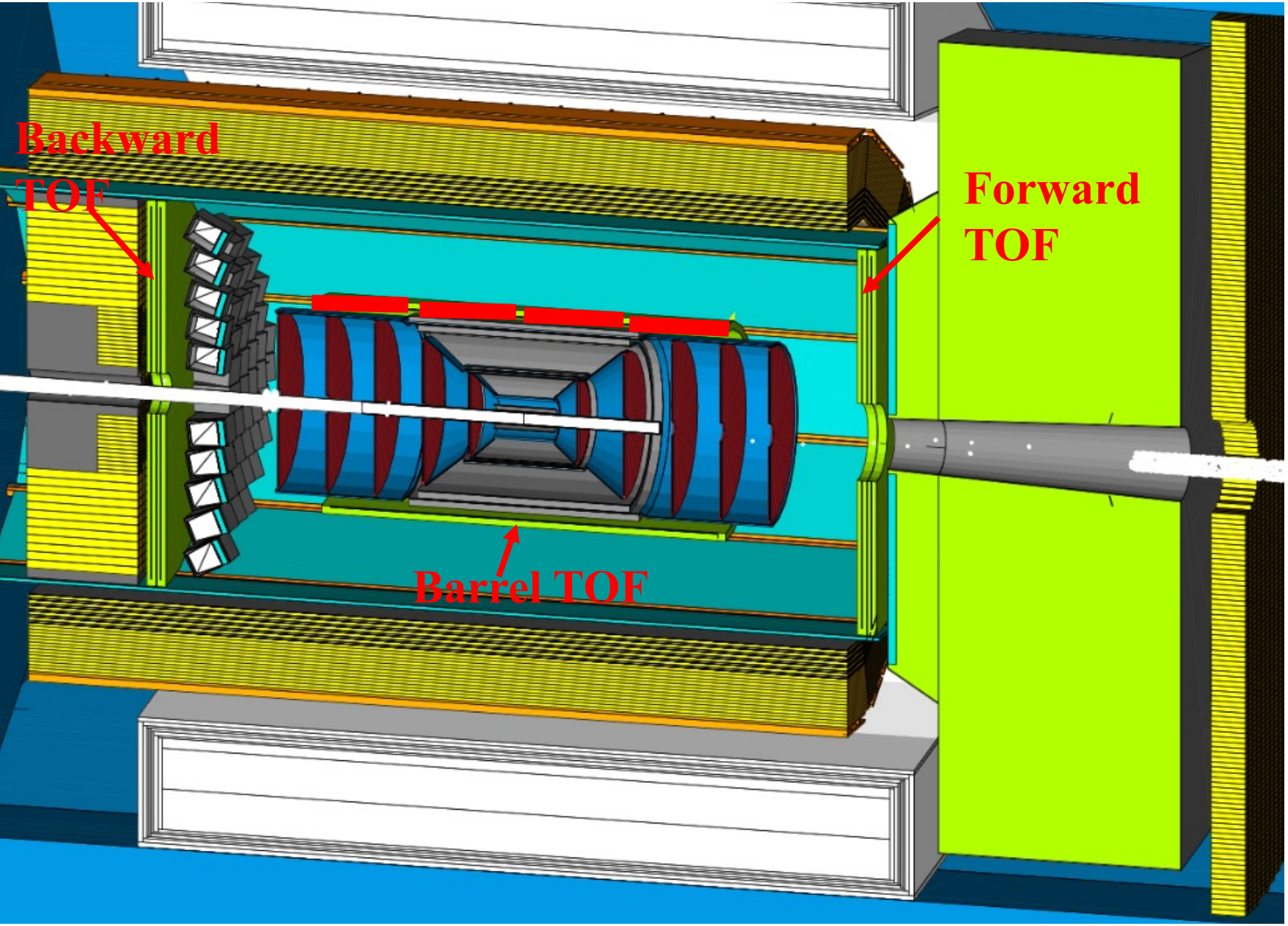

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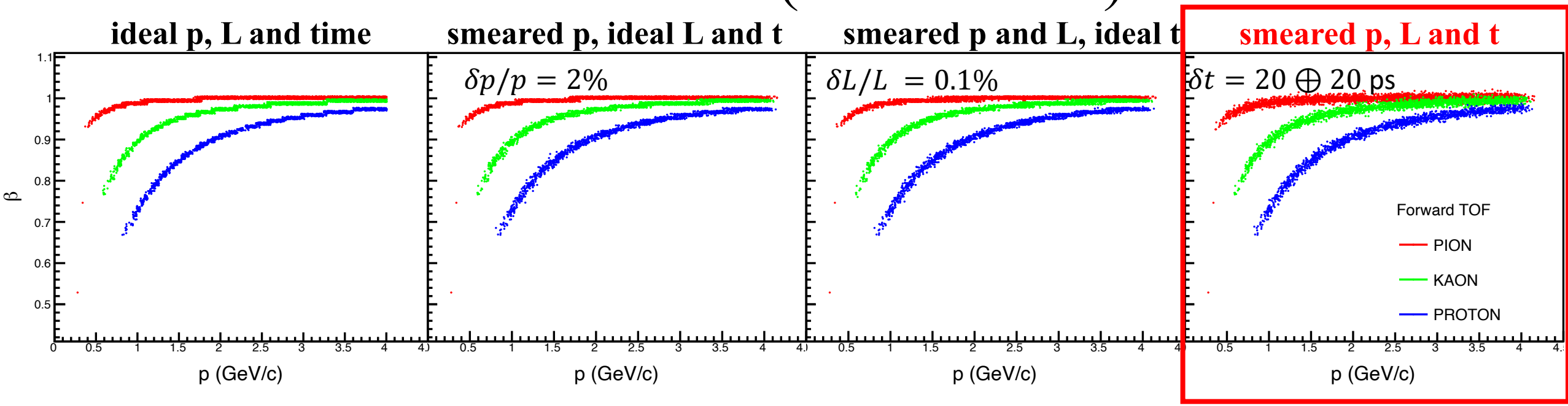
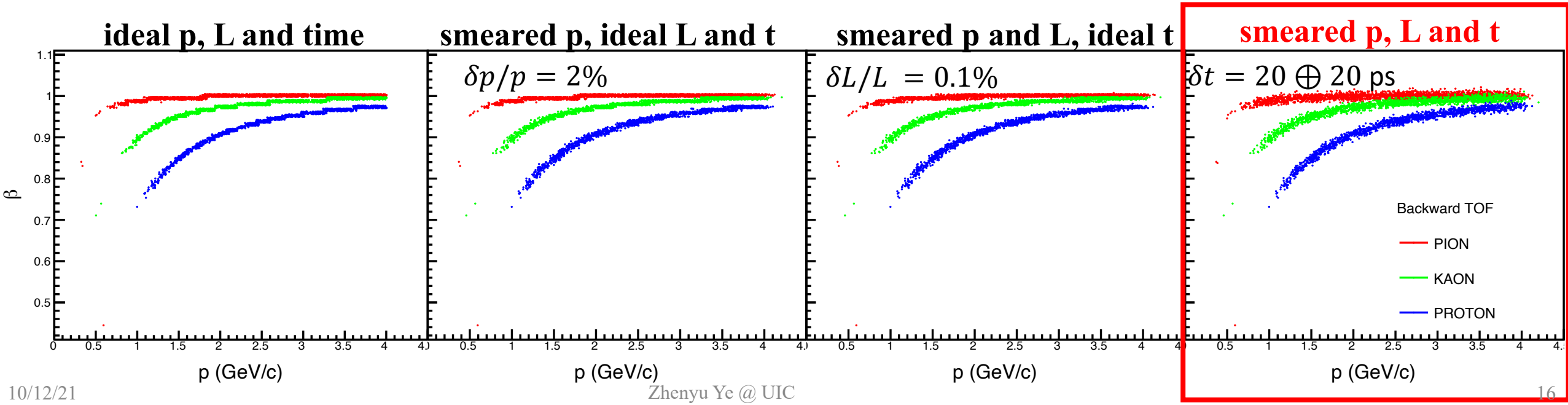


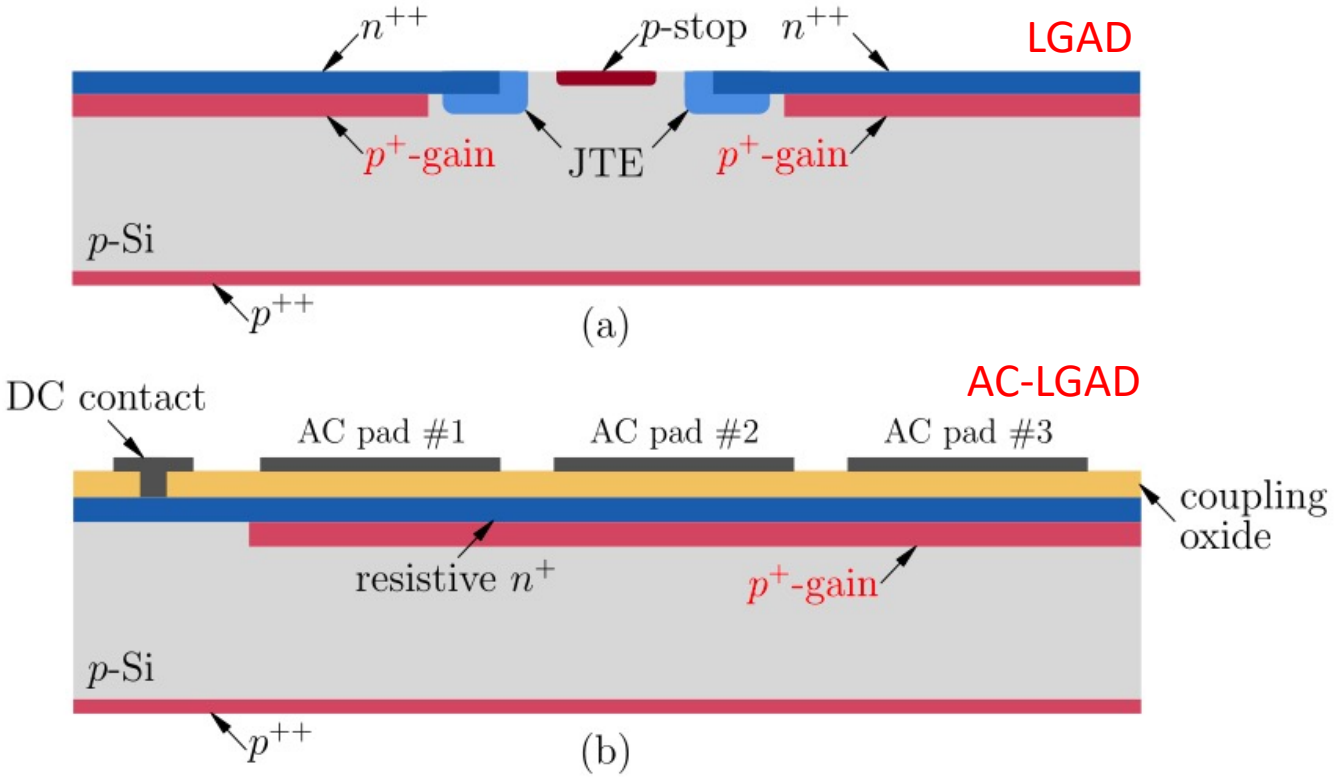


AC-LGAD for EIC

- Large area LGAD detectors are being built by ATLAS (6.4 m^2) and CMS (14 m^2) for data taking starting in 2026.

- AC LGAD detectors proposed for EIC
  - Roman Pots and B0
  - TOF for PID (and tracking)

- Have common designs in sensor, ASIC etc. when possible, combine R&D efforts



	Time resolution / hit	Position resolution / hit	Material budget / layer
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Endcap ToF (Tracker)	<25 ps	(30-50 μm for Tracker)	e-direction $< 0.05 X_0$ h-direction $< 0.15 X_0$
Roman Pots	<50 ps	$< 500/\sqrt{12}\ \mu m$	N/A
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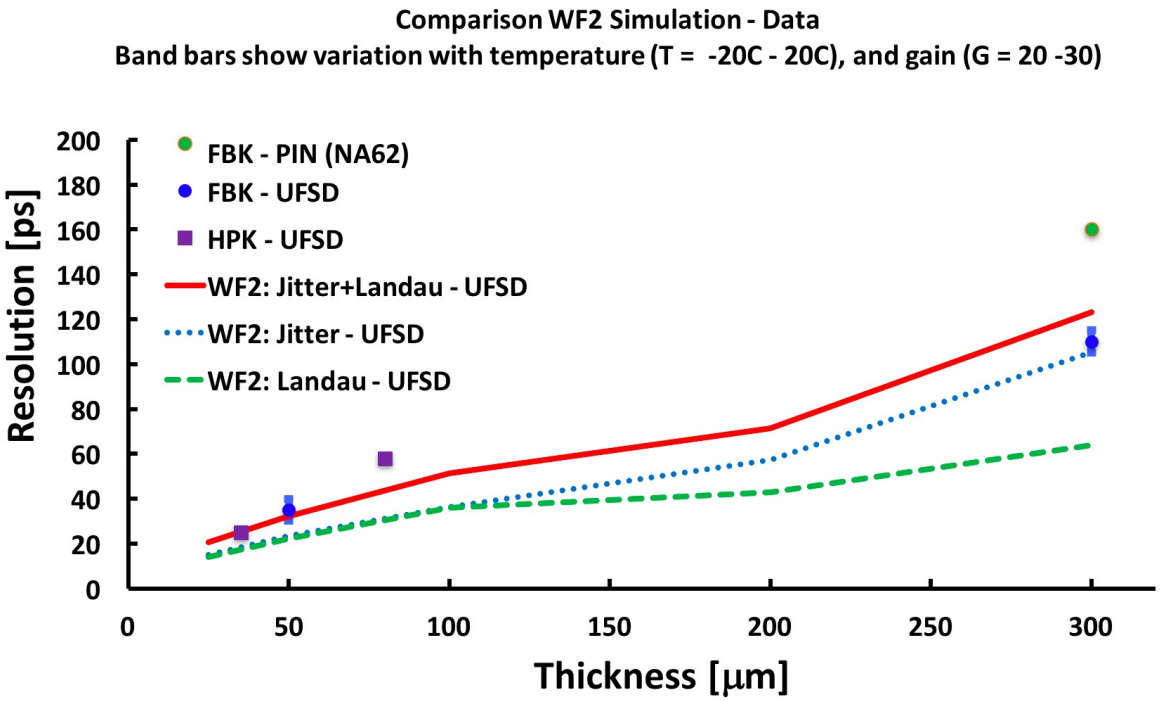
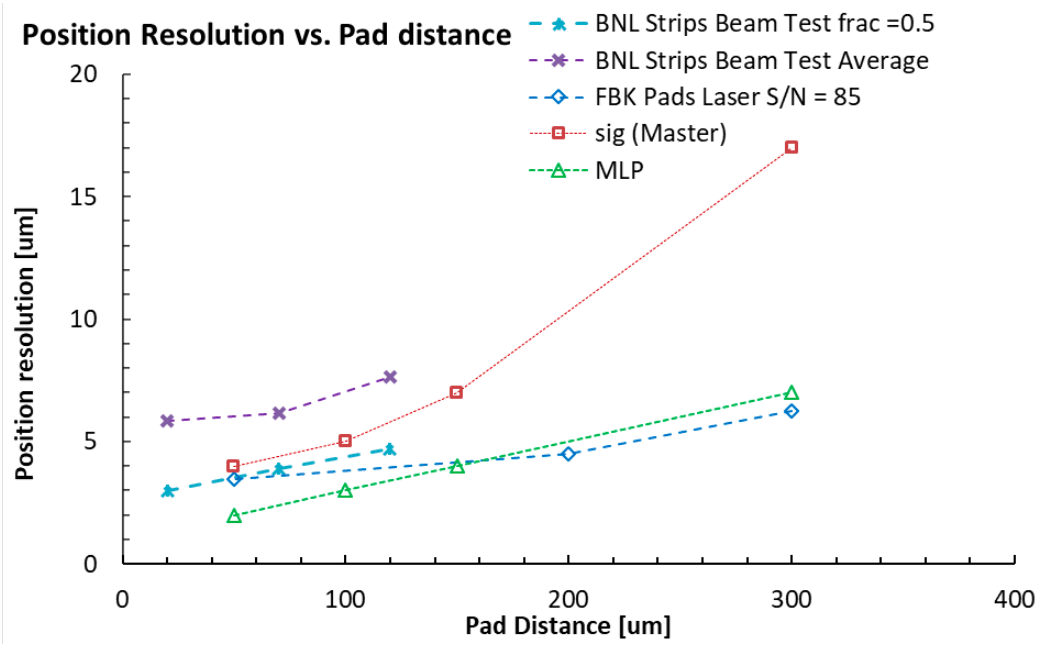
Sensor R&D





- **R&D Goals**
  - 15-20 ps timing resolution, O(3-50μm) position resolution where needed
  - Minimal readout channel density (long strip, rectangular pixel) for reduced power and thus material and cost
- **Plan**
  - Produce and test sensors with thinner active volume to achieve the desired timing resolution
  - Optimize implantation parameters and AC-pad segmentation through simulation and real device studies
  - Engage commercial vendors to improve fabrication process and yield

ATHENA Tracker Baseline 2.0 - Material Scan