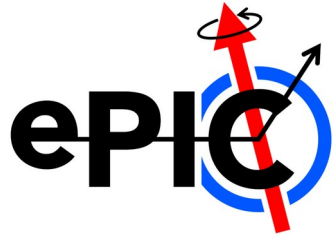


# Impact of current tracking estimates on DIRC performance

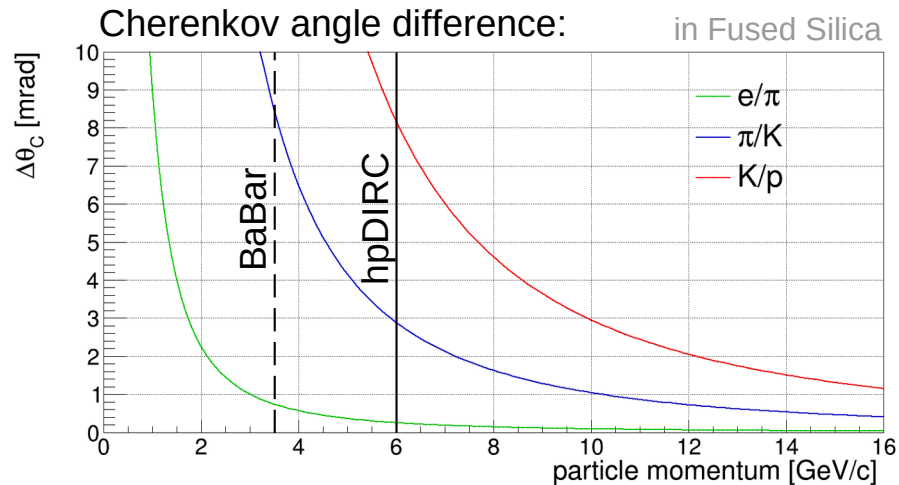


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# Cherenkov Angle Resolution



Cherenkov angle resolution per track:

$$\sigma_{\theta_c}(\text{particle}) \approx \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_{\theta_c}(\text{photon})}{\sqrt{N_\gamma}}\right)^2 + \sigma_{\text{correlated}}^2}$$

improve angular resolution of tracking system, mitigate multiple scattering impact, use photon detectors better PDE, improve Cherenkov angle resolution per photon

$$\sigma_{\theta_c}(\text{photon}) \approx \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{bar}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{pix}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{chrom}}^2}$$

— BABAR DIRC  $\sigma_{\theta_c}(\text{photon}) = 9.6 \text{ mrad}$  —

Limited in BABAR by:

- size of bar image                    ~4.1 mrad
- size of PMT pixel                    ~5.5 mrad
- chromaticity ( $n=n(\lambda)$ )            ~5.4 mrad

Improve for future DIRCs via:

- focusing optics
- smaller pixel size
- better time resolution

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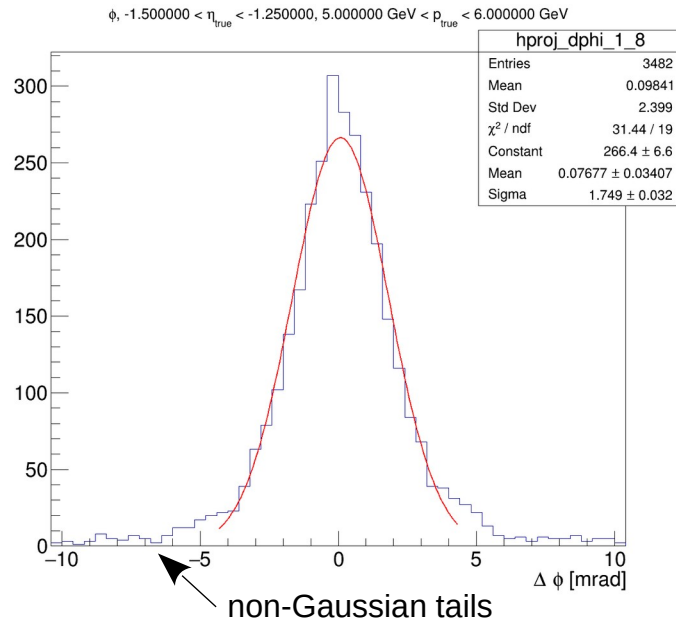
9.6 mrad                    →                    5-6 mrad per photon

correlated term:  $\sigma_{\text{correlated}} \approx \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{tracking}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{ms}}^2}$                     ⇒ track's angular resolution has direct impact on PID performance  
 ~0.5 mrad angular resolution is required (Yellow Report)

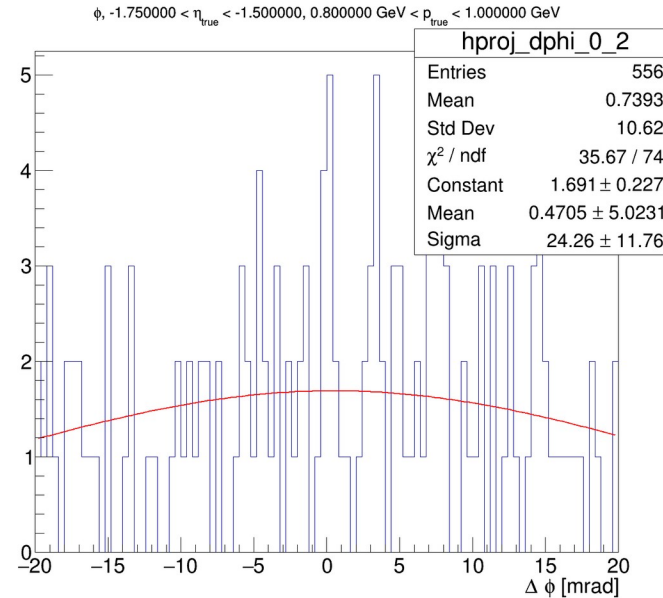
# Angular Resolution

- input from Matt: craterlake\_angle\_method1b.root
- 13 bins in momentum [0.3, 10] and 14 bins in eta [-1.75, 1.75]

typical bin:

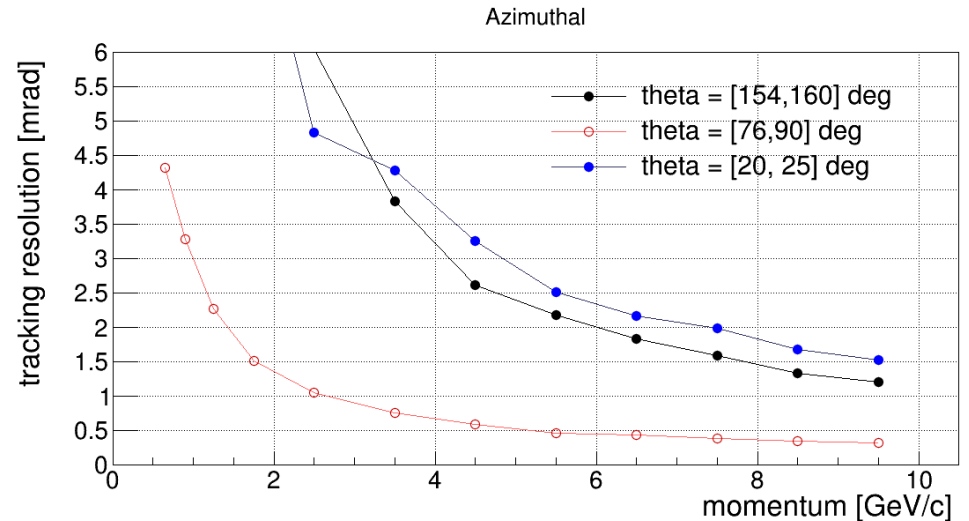
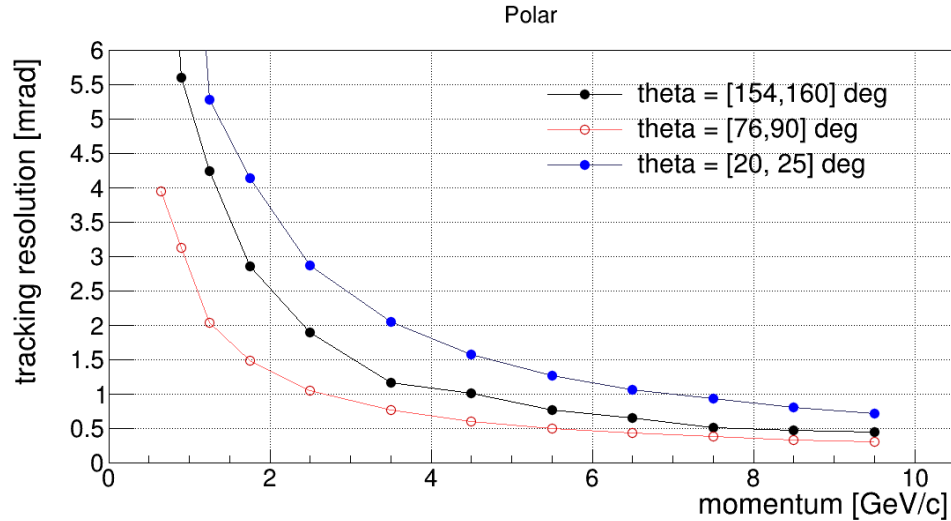


bin with low stat (@ low momenta):



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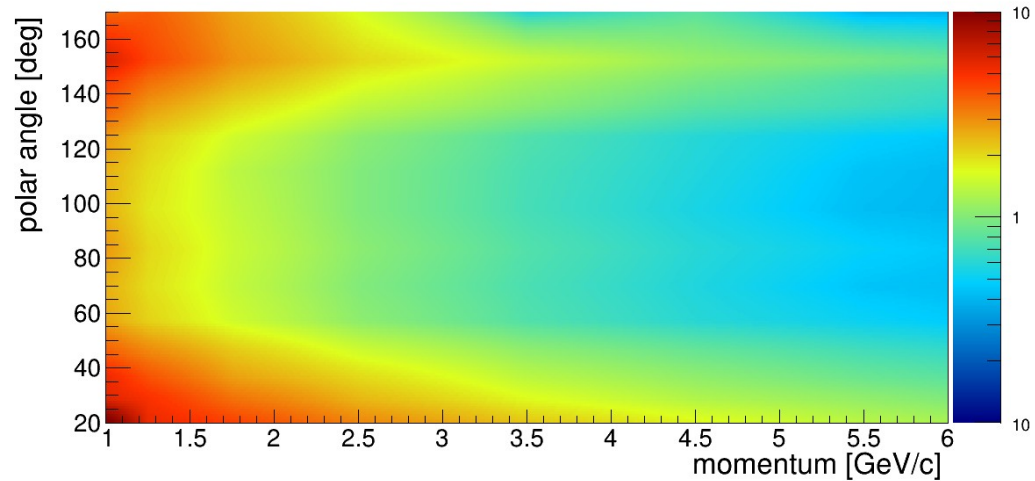
Resolution (sigma of the Gaussian fit) as a function of momentum



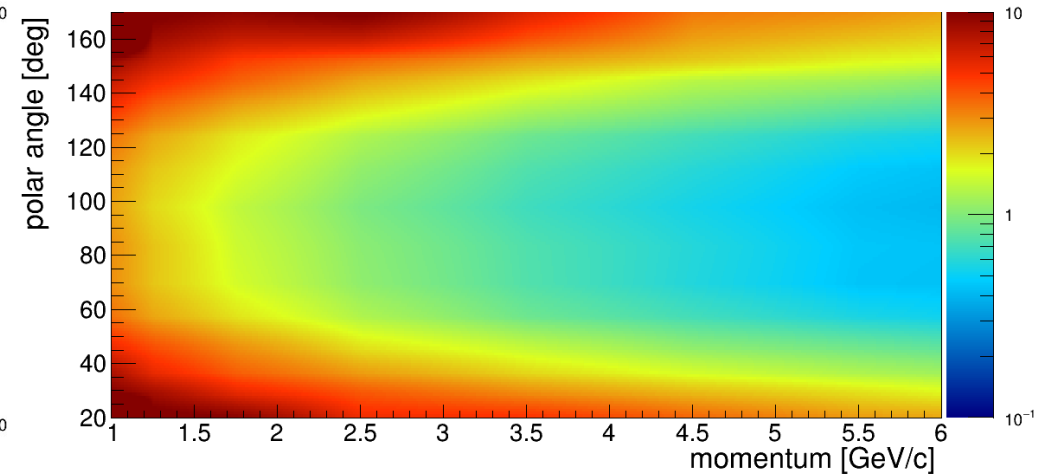
Yellow report requirement 0.5 mrad @ 6 GeV/c

# Interpolated Angular Resolution Map

polar angle resolution [mrad]:

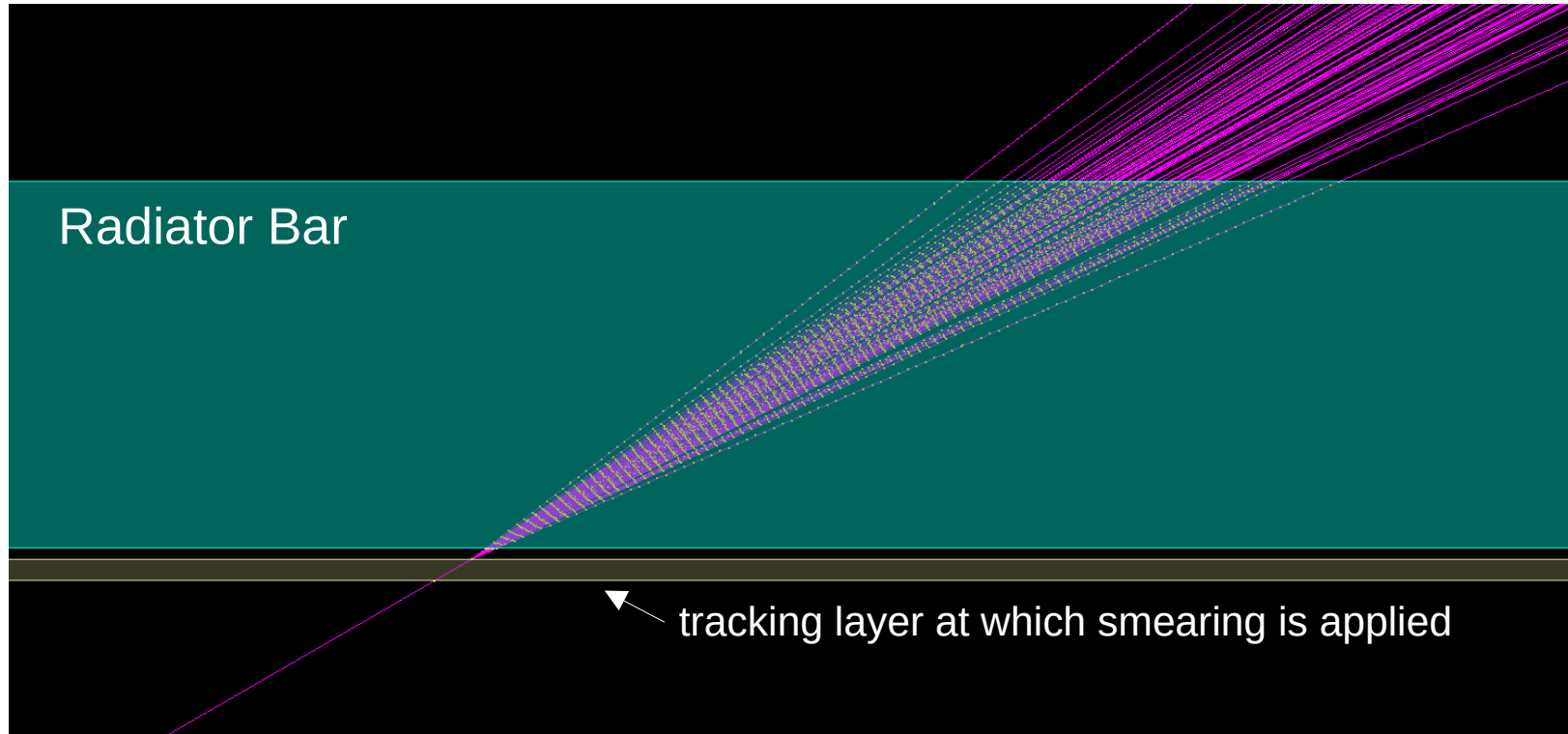


azimuthal angle resolution [mrad]:



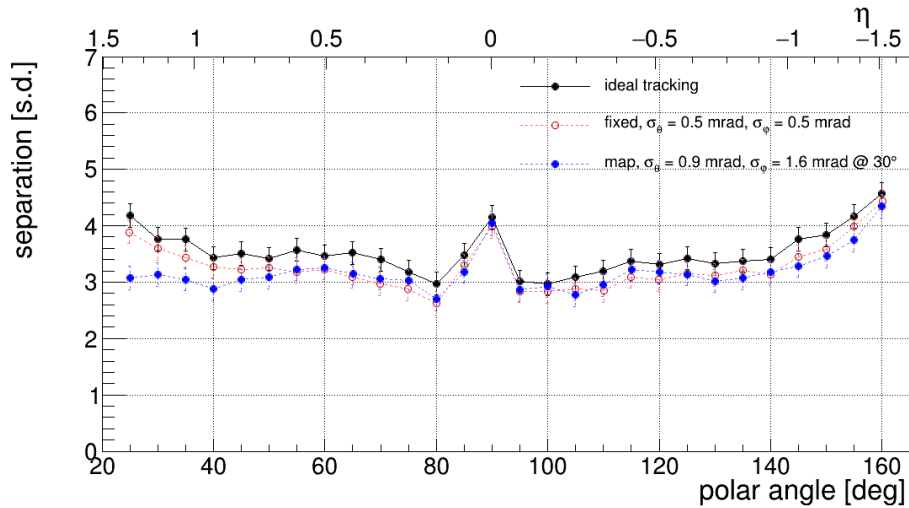
# Implementation of Track Smearing

Event display of 100 pions @ 6 GeV/c smeared at tracking layer with 50 mrad

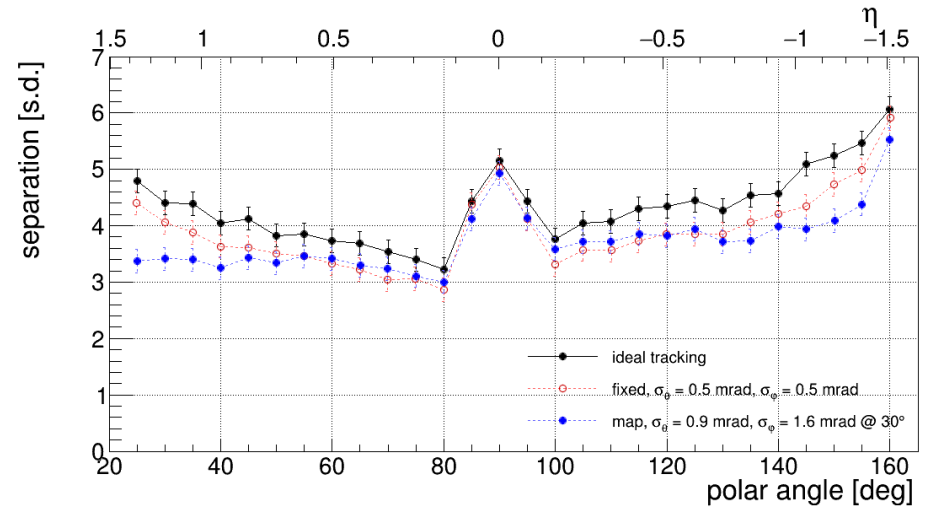


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time imaging:

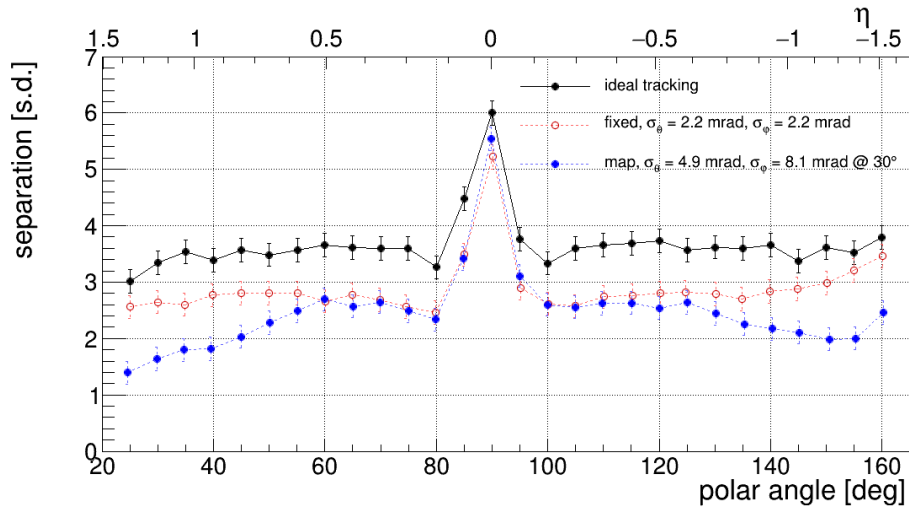


Caveats:

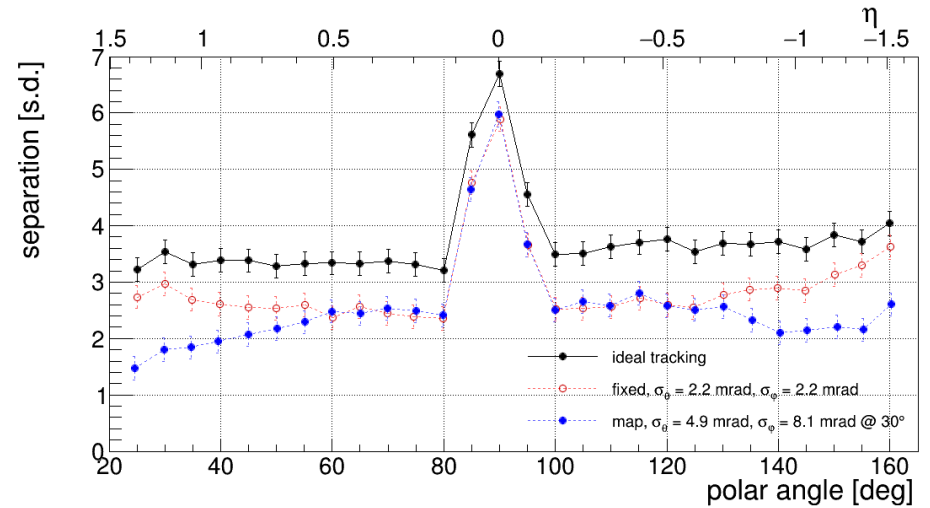
- standalone geant4 sim/reco without magnetic field
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time imaging:



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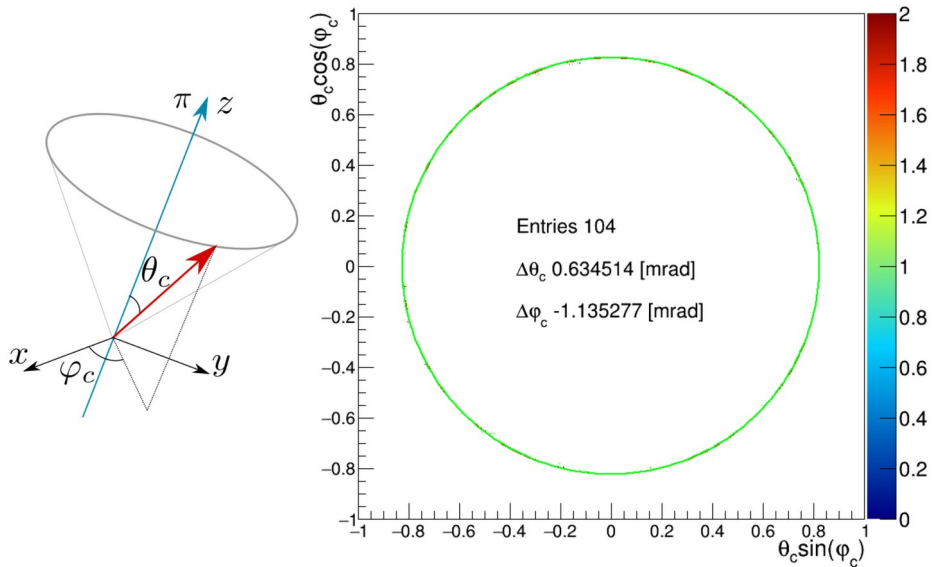
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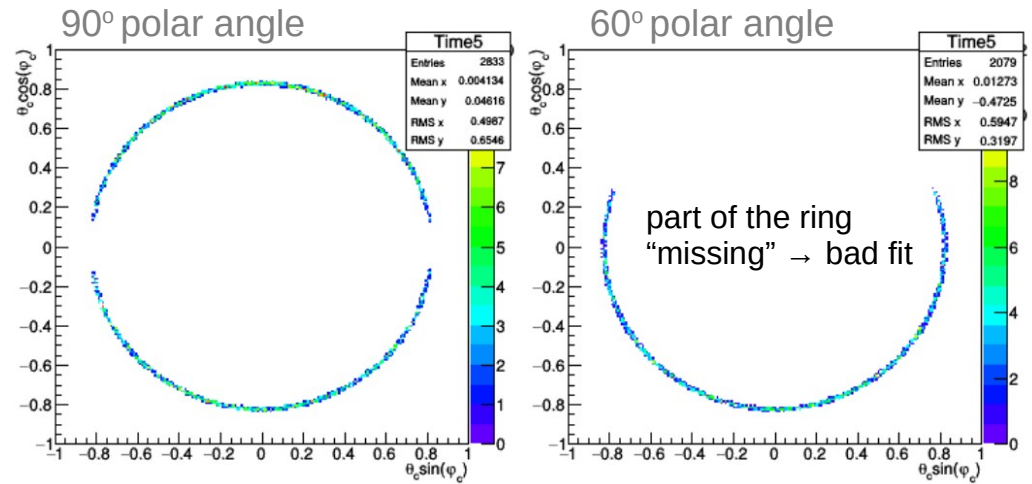
# Multiple Scattering Mitigation

- Post-DIRC tracking (AstroPix layer). Needs to be implemented in ePIC sim to evaluate benefits.
- Cherenkov ring fit (corrects the direction of the charged track).

Cherenkov photons are distributed on a ring:



Accumulated pattern for 100 pions @ 6 GeV/c:



- works well for polar angles around 90°
- works well for small angle deviation (< 0.5 mrad)

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