

# $\mu/\pi$ Separation from $e \rightarrow \tau$ CLFV studies

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# “1-prong” Muon Decay

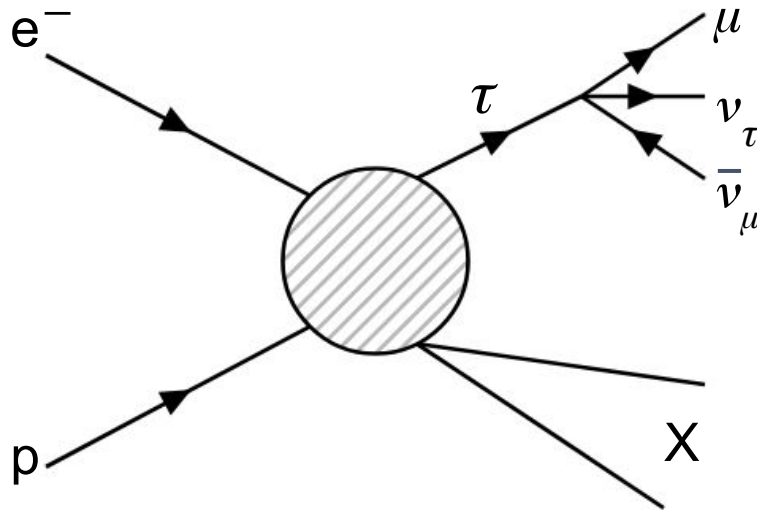
$$\tau \rightarrow \mu \bar{\nu}_{\mu} \nu_{\tau}$$

Pros:

Suppression of SM background  
around  $p_t^{\mu} > 15 \text{ GeV}$

~17% branching ratio

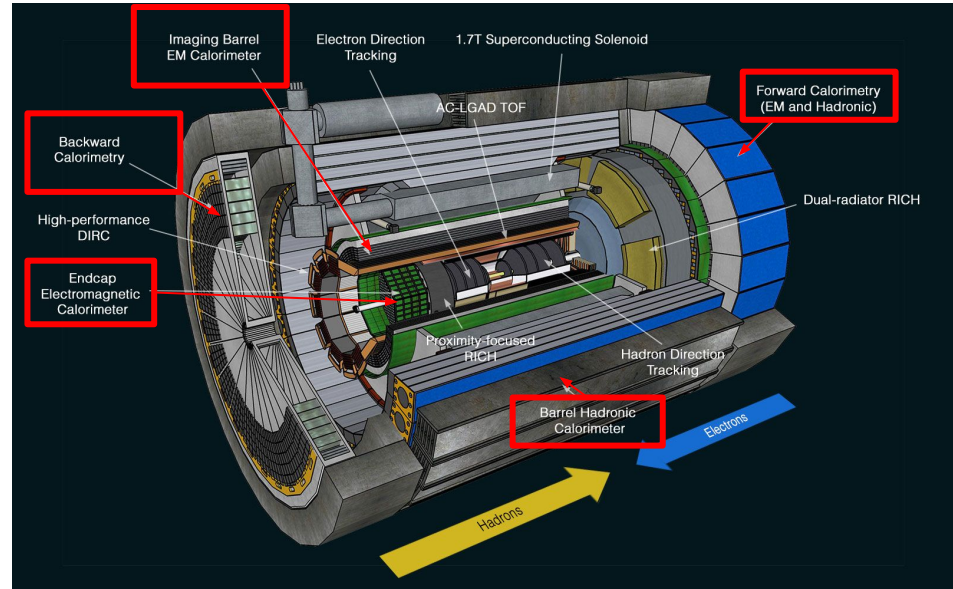
Con: requires good muon  
identification



# $\mu/\pi$ PID Separation Overview

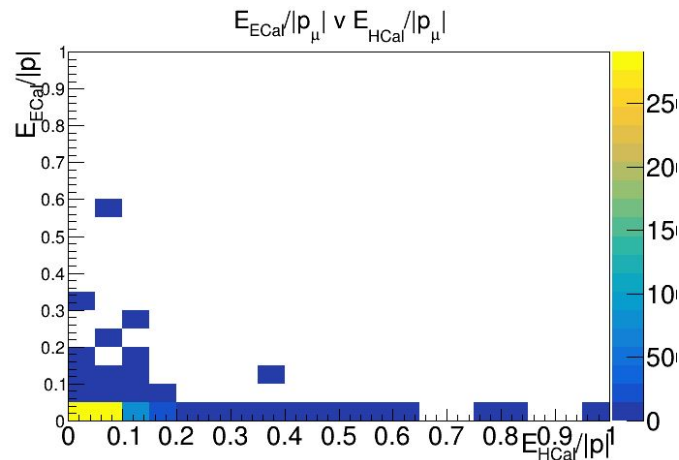
## Detectors used for $\mu/\pi$ separation

- ❖ Hadronic calorimeters (HCals) are a natural starting point for  $\mu/\pi$  separation.
- ❖ Combining information from the electromagnetic calorimeters with the HCals improves  $\mu/\pi$  separation in the following study.
- ❖ The following study focuses on the barrel region.
  - Near future plans to extend the study to the backward endcap.
  - Forward endcap  $\mu$ -ID are ongoing elsewhere, but are not relevant to  $e \rightarrow \tau$ .

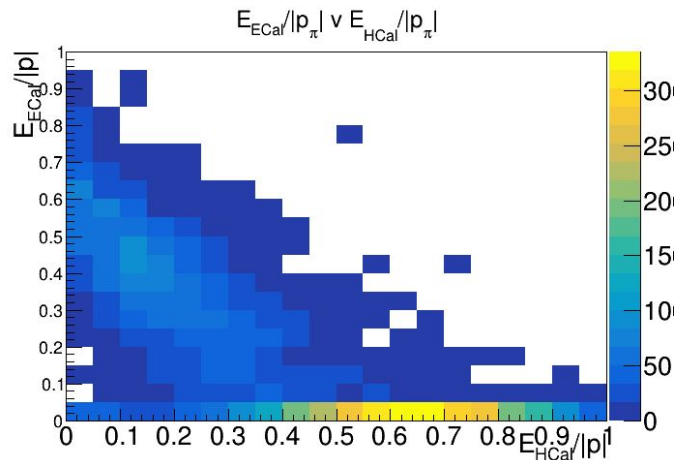


# Using E/p in Both Barrel Calorimeters

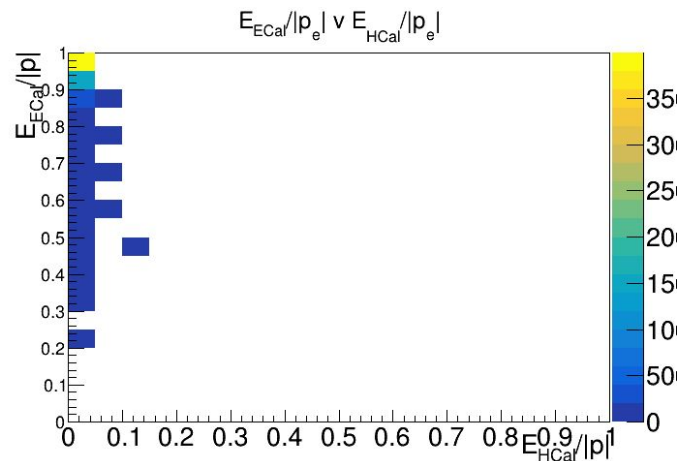
$\mu^-$



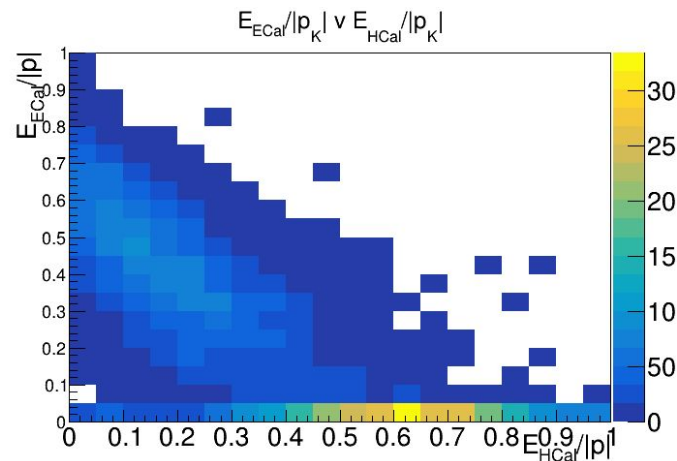
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$e^-$



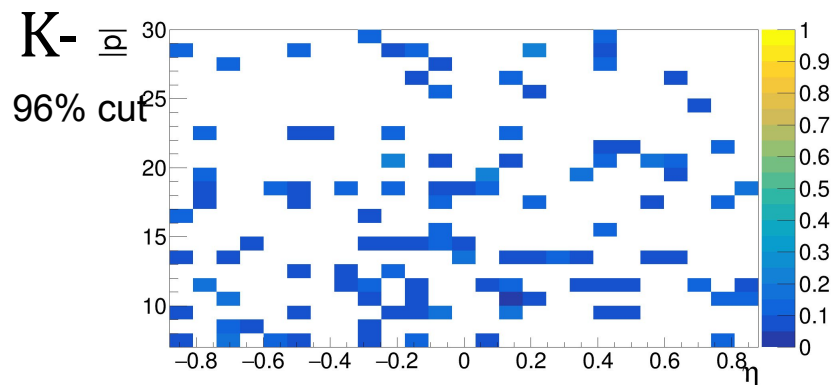
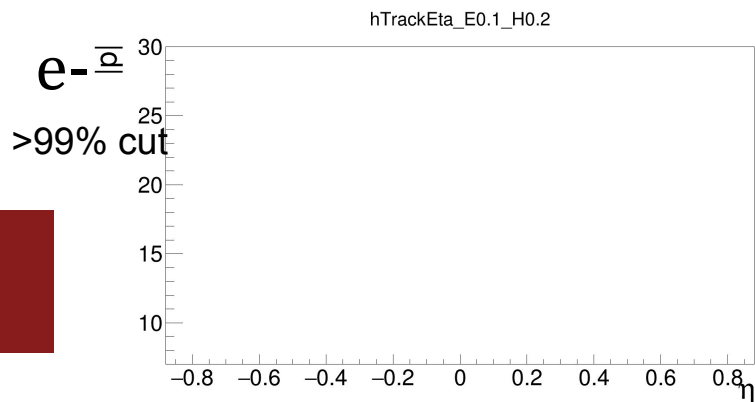
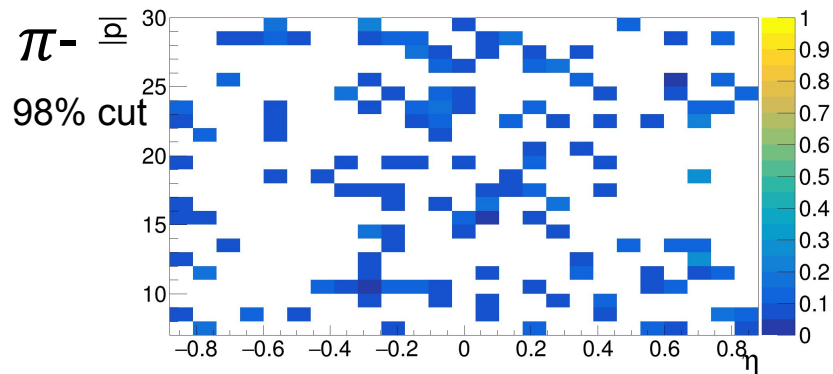
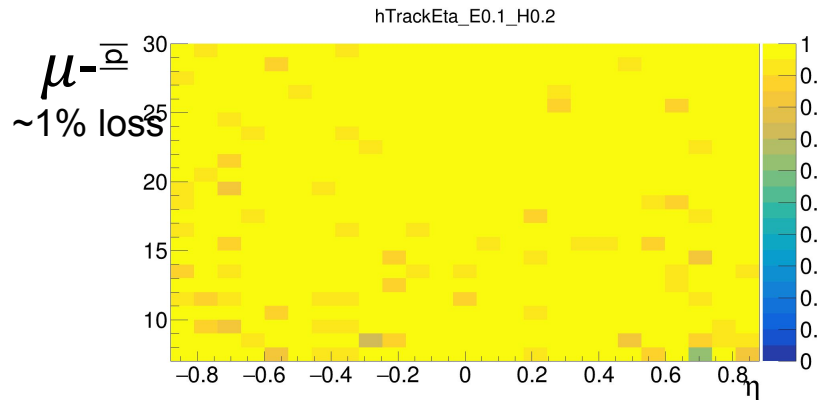
$K^-$



# HCal $E/p < 0.2$ + ECal $E/p < 0.1$

Z axis = events after combined  $E/p$  cut / events generated

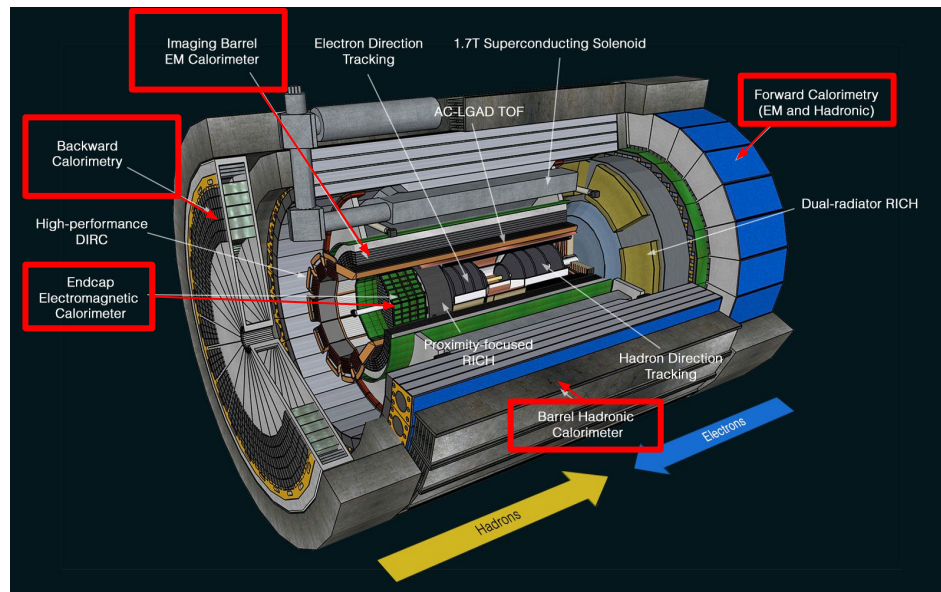
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# $\mu/\pi$ PID Study Data Set

## Simulation Details

- ❖ Single particle simulation using ddsim
  - 100K  $\mu$  and  $\pi$  at each momentum and production angle:
    - $|p| = 1$  to 15 GeV in 1 GeV steps.
    - $\theta = 90^\circ$  to  $150^\circ$  in  $10^\circ$  steps.
- ❖ Simulated in the ePIC detector
- ❖ Reconstructed using the EICrecon package

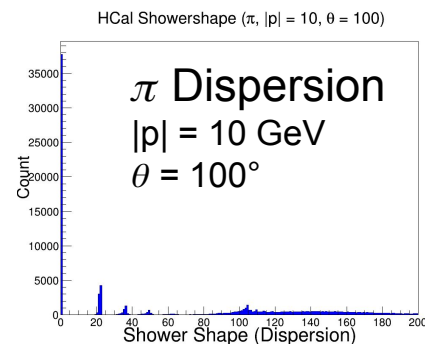
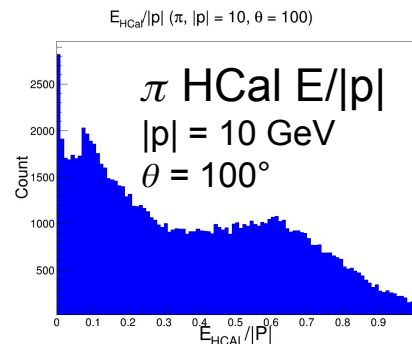
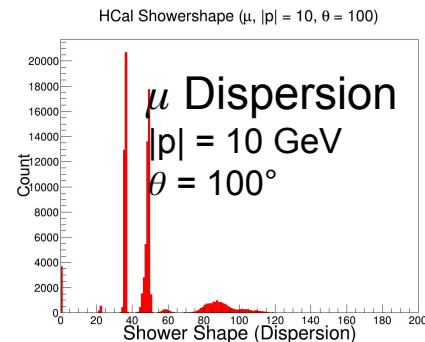
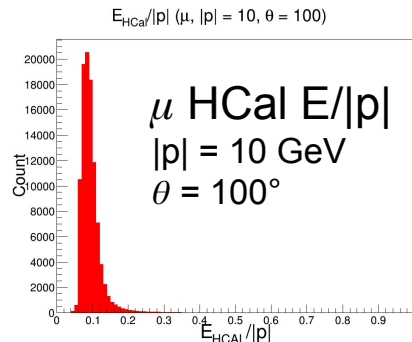


# $\mu/\pi$ PID Values Used

## Reconstructed values used in this study

- ❖ Calorimeter  $E_{\text{cal}}/|p|$  seems to be the most useful value in  $\mu/\pi$  separation
- ❖ Dispersion (Energy weighted radius) improves separation somewhat.
  - Named 'Shower Shape' in the following slides.

## Example Distributions



# $\mu/\pi$ PID, Log-likelihood Approach

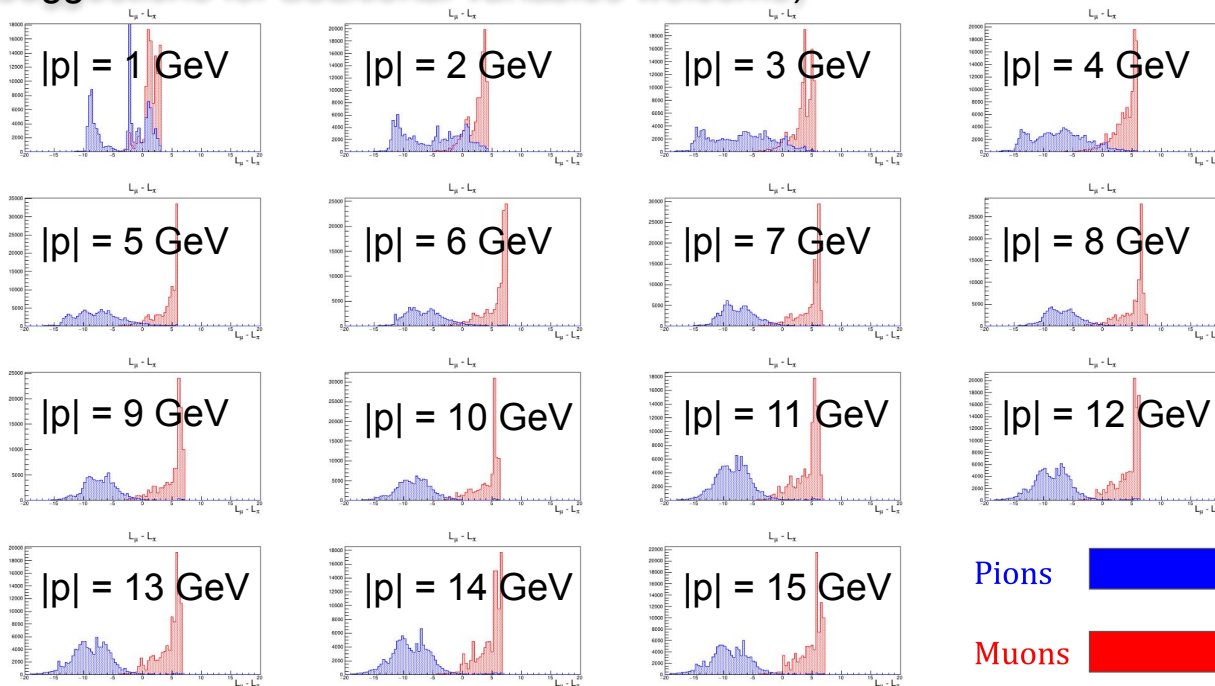
- ❖ Using a log-likelihood reduces the PID separation to a single variable to which cuts can be tuned for any given analysis.
  - Easy to incorporate additional reconstruction values given sufficient data/simulation.
- ❖ Method:
  - Take distributions such as:

A histogram showing the distribution of the ratio  $E_{\text{HCal}}/|p|$  for pions. The x-axis is labeled  $E_{\text{HCal}}/|p|$  and ranges from 0 to 1. The y-axis is labeled 'Count' and ranges from 0 to 2500. The distribution is blue and shows a peak around 0.1, followed by a long tail extending towards 1. Text inside the plot area reads:  $\pi$  HCal  $E/|p|$ ,  $|p| = 10$  GeV,  $\theta = 100^\circ$ .
  - and treat them as probability distributions
  - Calculate the log-likelihood for each track:
    - $L_j = \ln(\mathcal{L}_j) = \ln(\prod_i p(q_{ji})) = \sum_i \ln(p(q_{ji}))$ .
    - where  $j$  is the PID hypothesis ( $\mu$  or  $\pi$  in this case).
    - $i$  is each reconstructed value used (e.g. HCal  $E/|p|$ ).
    - $p(q_{ji})$  is the probability a track has a value  $q_{ji}$  for the given PID hypothesis and reconstructed variable.
  - Cut on the log-likelihood difference  $L_\mu - L_\pi$

$P(q_{\pi, \text{HCal } E/|p|})$

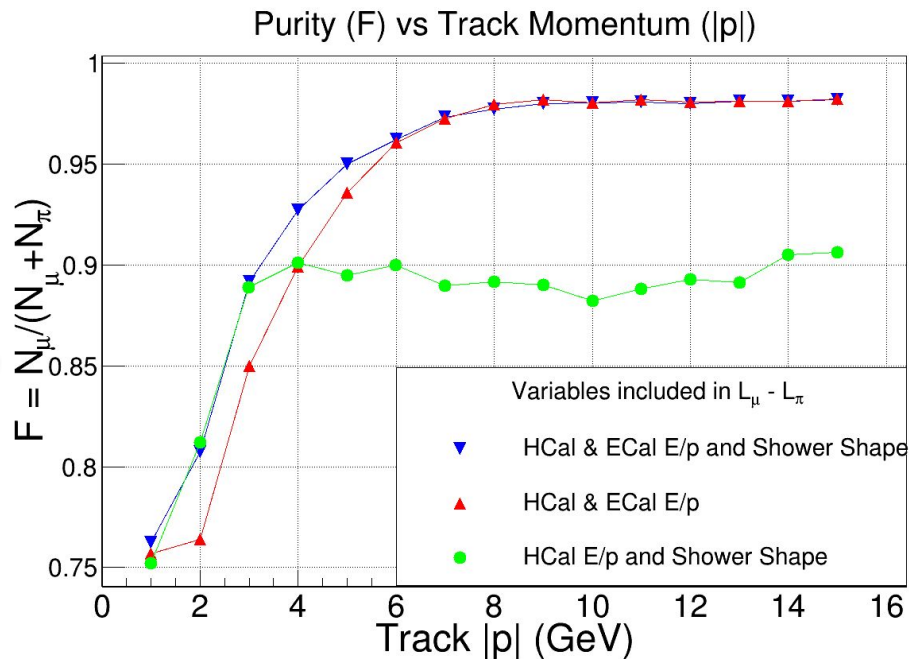
# $\mu/\pi$ PID, Log-likelihood Example

- ❖  $L_\mu - L_\pi$  for  $\mu$  and  $\pi$  at  $\theta = 90^\circ$  with  $|p| = 1$  GeV to 15 GeV in 1 GeV Steps.
- ❖  $L_\mu - L_\pi$  calculated using HCal  $E/|p|$ , HCal Shower Dispersion, ECal  $E/|p|$ , and ECal Shower Dispersion. (Suggestions for additional variables welcome)



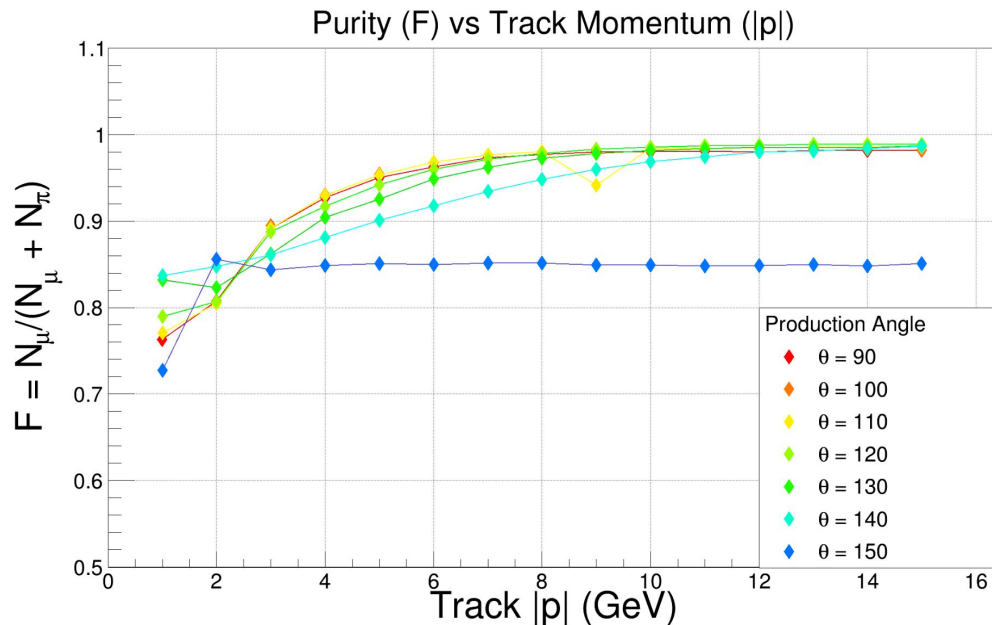
# $\mu/\pi$ PID, Log-Likelihood (cont.)

- ❖ Effect on  $L_\mu - L_\pi$  calculated using different combinations of HCal E/|p|, HCal Shower Dispersion, ECal E/|p|, and ECal Shower Dispersion.
- ❖ Cut on  $L_\mu - L_\pi > 0$ 
  - Somewhat arbitrary. Cut can be tuned to balance purity and efficiency for individual analyses.
- ❖ Chose a purity ( $N_\mu / (N_\mu + N_\pi)$ ) as a figure of merit to compare the following input value combinations:
  - HCal & ECal E/|p| and Shower Shape
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  - HCal E/|p| and Shower Shape



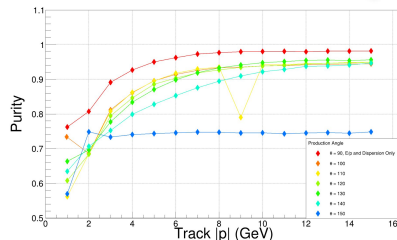
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- ❖  $L_\mu - L_\pi$  calculated using HCal  $E/|p|$ , HCal Shower Dispersion, ECal  $E/|p|$ , and ECal Shower Dispersion.
- ❖ Now plotting the purity figure of merit for samples generated at different angles
  - $90^\circ$  to  $150^\circ$  in  $10^\circ$  steps



# Work to be done on $\mu/\pi$ separation

- ❖ Extend study to other regions of the ePIC detector.
- ❖ Calorimeter shower profiles.
  - Shower Widths (2nd moments)



- HCal hit Isolation cut
- Hits or radius per layer
- Other suggestions welcomed
- ❖ Including other PID detector signals.
- ❖ Implementing Machine Learning tools.
- ❖ Extending study to other regions of the ePIC detector.