



Pion and Kaon Structure Functions at the EIC

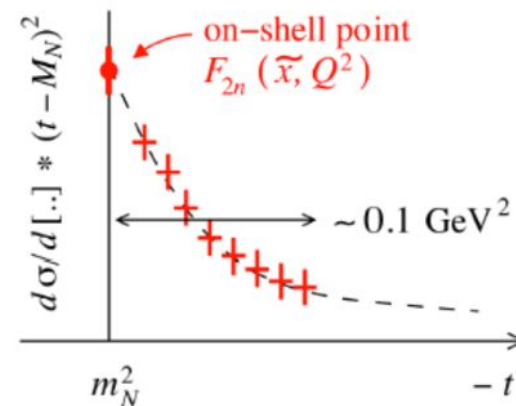
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Pion and Kaon Sullivan Process

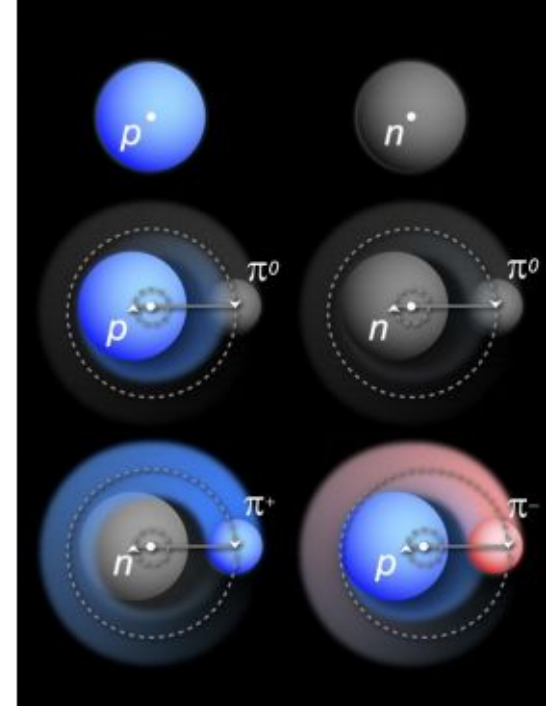
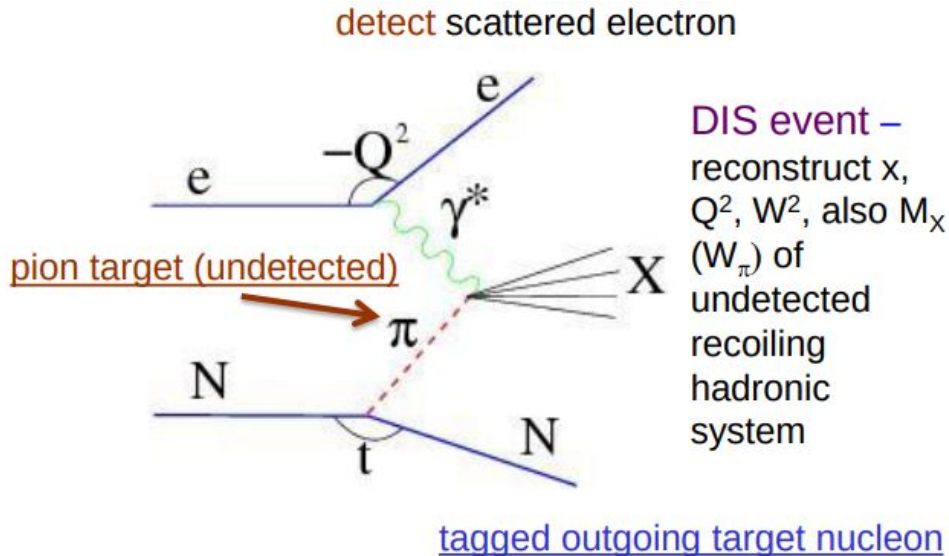
- The Sullivan process can provide reliable access to a meson target as t becomes **space-like**
- If the pole associated with the **ground-state meson** remains the dominant feature of the process
 - the structure of the related correlation evolves slowly and smoothly with virtuality
- Recent theoretical calculations found that changes in pion structure are modest so that a well-constrained experimental analysis should be reliable
 - For the **pion** when $-t \leq 0.6 \text{ GeV}^2$
 - For the **kaon** when $-t \leq 0.9 \text{ GeV}^2$



S-X Qin, C. Chen, C. Mezrag, C.D. Roberts, *Phys. Rev. C* 97 (2018) 015203

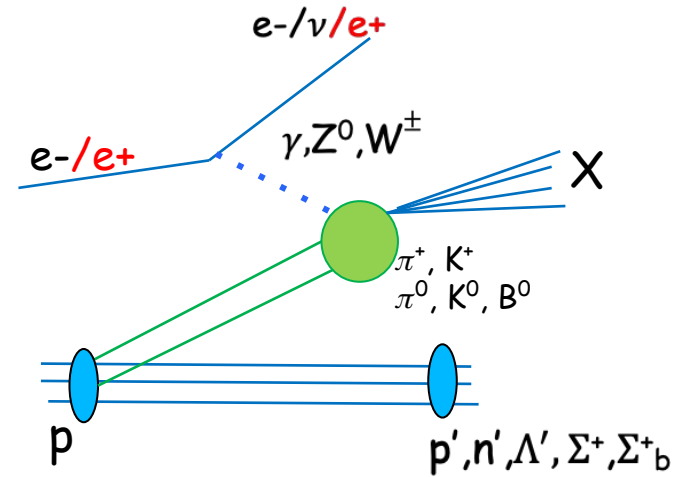
Tagged Deep Inelastic Scattering (TDIS)

- Use Sullivan process – scattering from nucleon-meson fluctuations



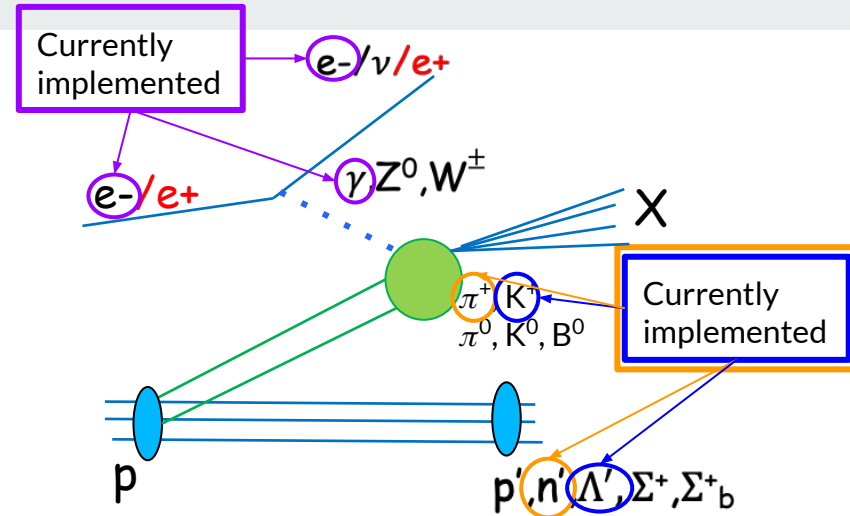
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- π structure function: Measure DIS cross section with tagged neutron at small -t
- K structure function: Measure DIS cross section with tagged Λ/Σ at small -t
- Beam energies: 5 on 41, 5 on 100, 10 on 100, 10 on 135, 18 on 275
 - Only $e-P$ currently implemented, but want to incorporate $e-D$



Geometric particle detection fractions

- For the pion structure function, the final state neutron moves with an energy near that of the initial proton beam
 - The Zero Degree Calorimeter (ZDC) must reconstruct the energy and position well enough to constrain both scattering kinematics and 4-momentum of pion
 - Constraining neutron energy around $35\%/\sqrt{E}$ will assure an achievable resolution in x
- For the kaon structure function, the decay products of the Λ must be tracked through the very forward spectrometer
 - Distinguishing decay products is crucial

Process	Forward Particle	Geometric Detection Efficiency (at small $-t$)
$^1\text{H}(e, e' \pi^+) n$	n	$>20\%$
$^1\text{H}(e, e' K^+) \Lambda$	Λ	50%
$^1\text{H}(e, e' K^+) \Sigma$	Σ	17%

EIC fast Monte Carlo

- C++ based fast MC which outputs root files and text file for GEANT4 input

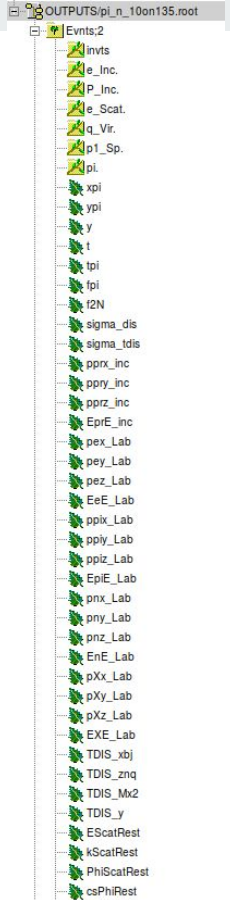
Cpp Script(TDISMC_EIC.cpp)-requires as input: range of Q^2 and x

Calls 4 quantities...

1. CTEQ6 PDF table
2. F_2^π with various parameterizations
3. F_2^N , nucleon structure function
4. Initial beam smearing function

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Your kinematics: [xBj_min:xBj_max] = [ 0.001000: 1.000000]
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Incident Electron, Ion Momenta: 10.0000,   135.00 GeV/c | s_0 = 5400.1019 GeV^2

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Collider vs. fixed target



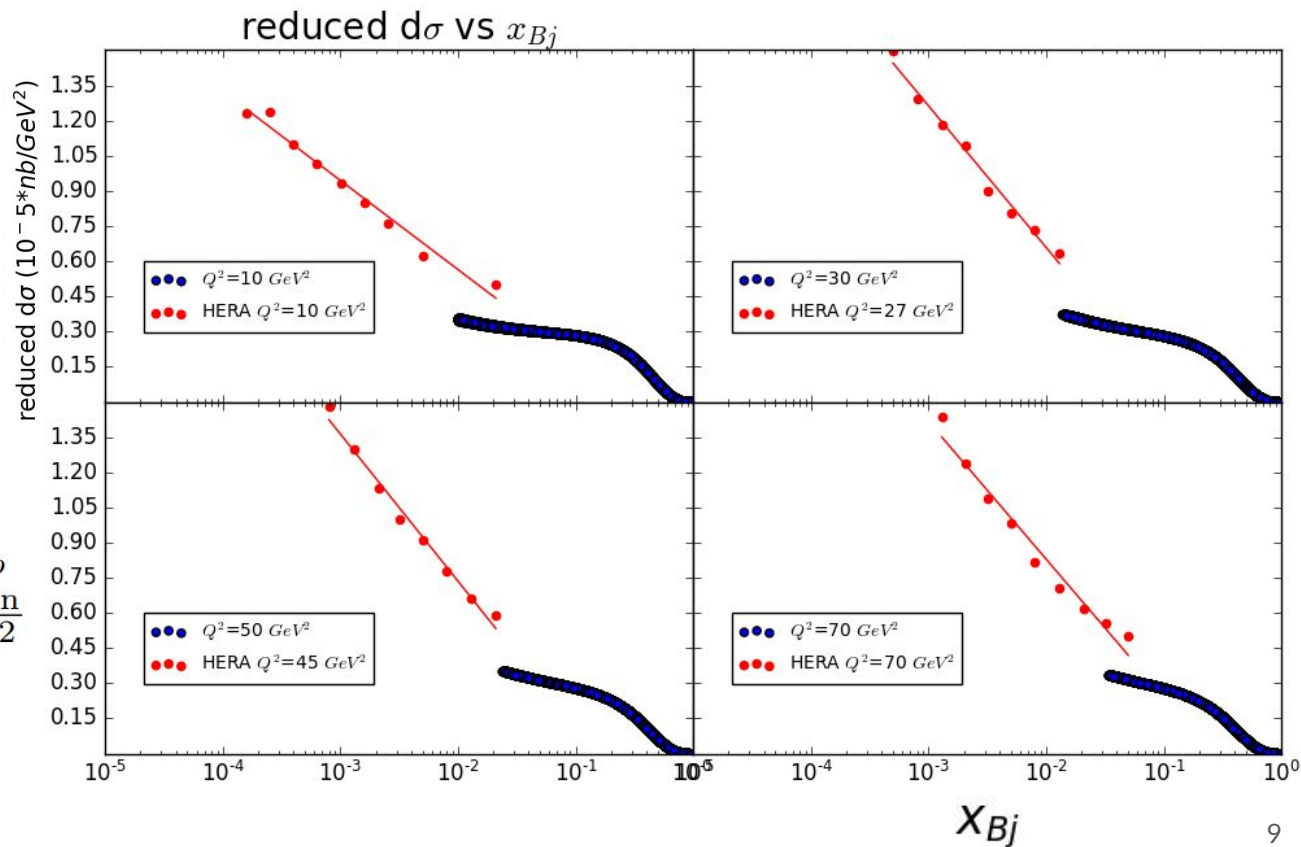
Careful with kinematic definitions

- Original code was written for fixed target – found and fixed several instances with restrictions that apply to fixed target, but not to collider
- Examples:
 - Measurable proton range (for fixed target given by TPC – imposes limits on k , z)
 - Removed fixed target restrictions on x for structure function calculations

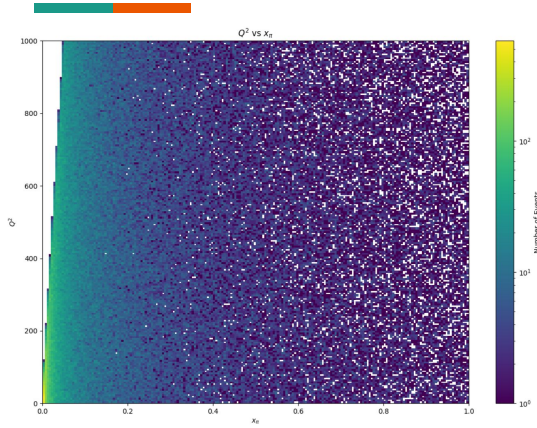
Validation: Reduced cross-section compared with HERA

- HERA data from *ZEUS collab, Eur. Phys. J. C 21 (2001)*
DOI:10.1007/s100520100749
- Proton beam = 100 GeV/c
- Electron beam = 5 GeV/c
- $x_{Bj}=(0.01-1.0)$
- $Q^2=(10-100)$

$$\tilde{\sigma}^{e^+p} = \left[\frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} Y_+ \right]^{-1} \frac{d^2\sigma_{\text{Born}}^{e^+p}}{dx dQ^2}$$

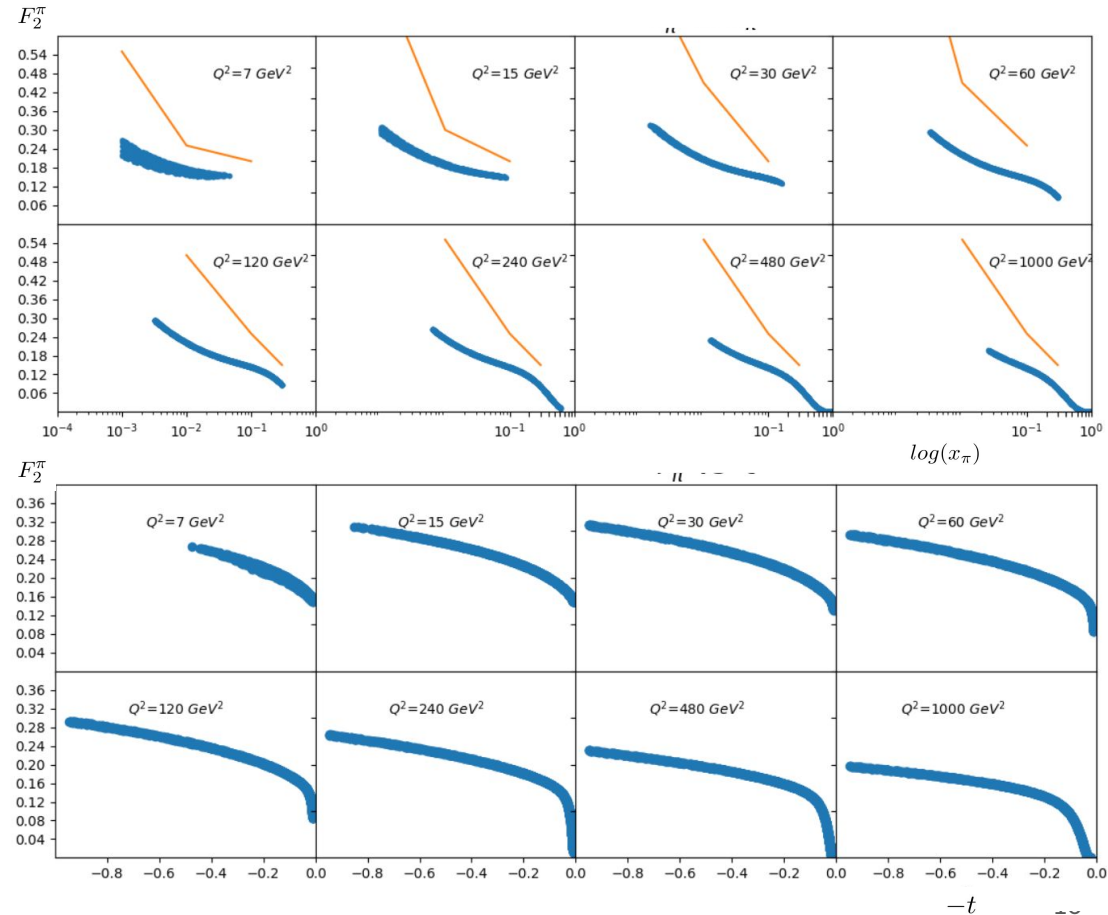


Pion Structure Function Projections



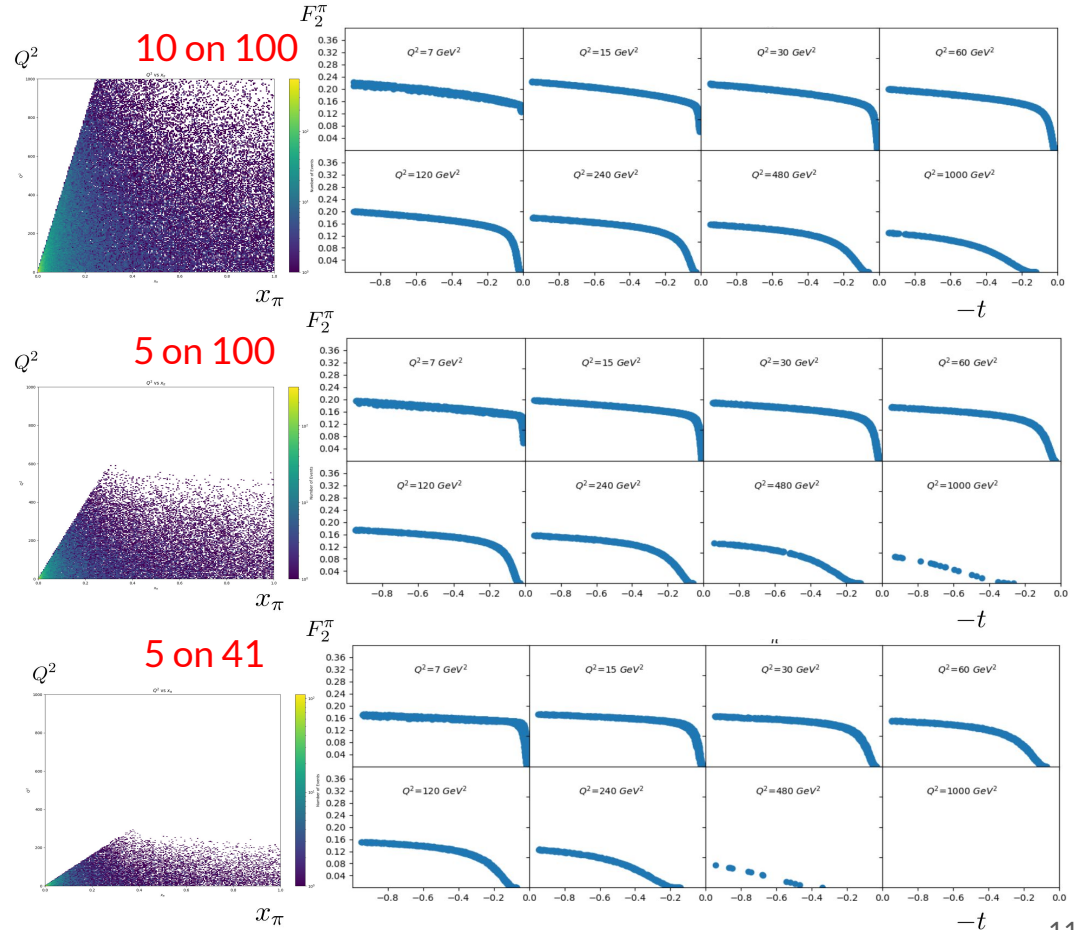
- e-P collision
- 18 on 275 $[(0.01 < y < 0.95)]$
- MC: $[x(0.001-1.0), Q^2(1,1000)]$
- $F_2^\pi = (0.361) * F_2^p$
 - ZEUS Parameterization
 - GRV fit
 - $L=10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

ZEUS Collaboration, Nucl.Phys. B637 (2002)
DOI:10.1016/S0550-3213(02)00439-X



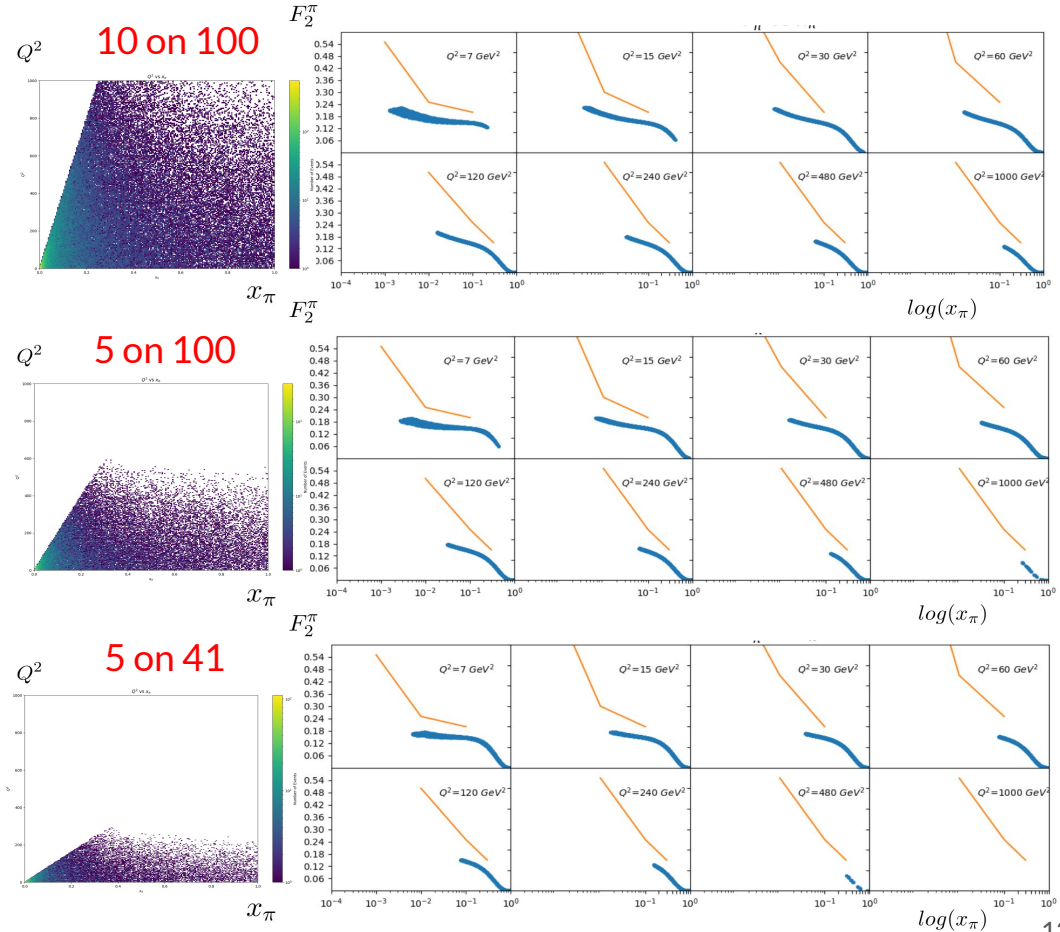
Pion Structure Function Projections

- MC:[$x(0.001-1.0), Q^2(1,1000)$]
 ○ Cuts:[$(0.01 < y < 0.95)$]
- Determined that the high energy **18 on 275** was not useful for **high x** studies
- t coverage is similar for the various beam energies, as expected

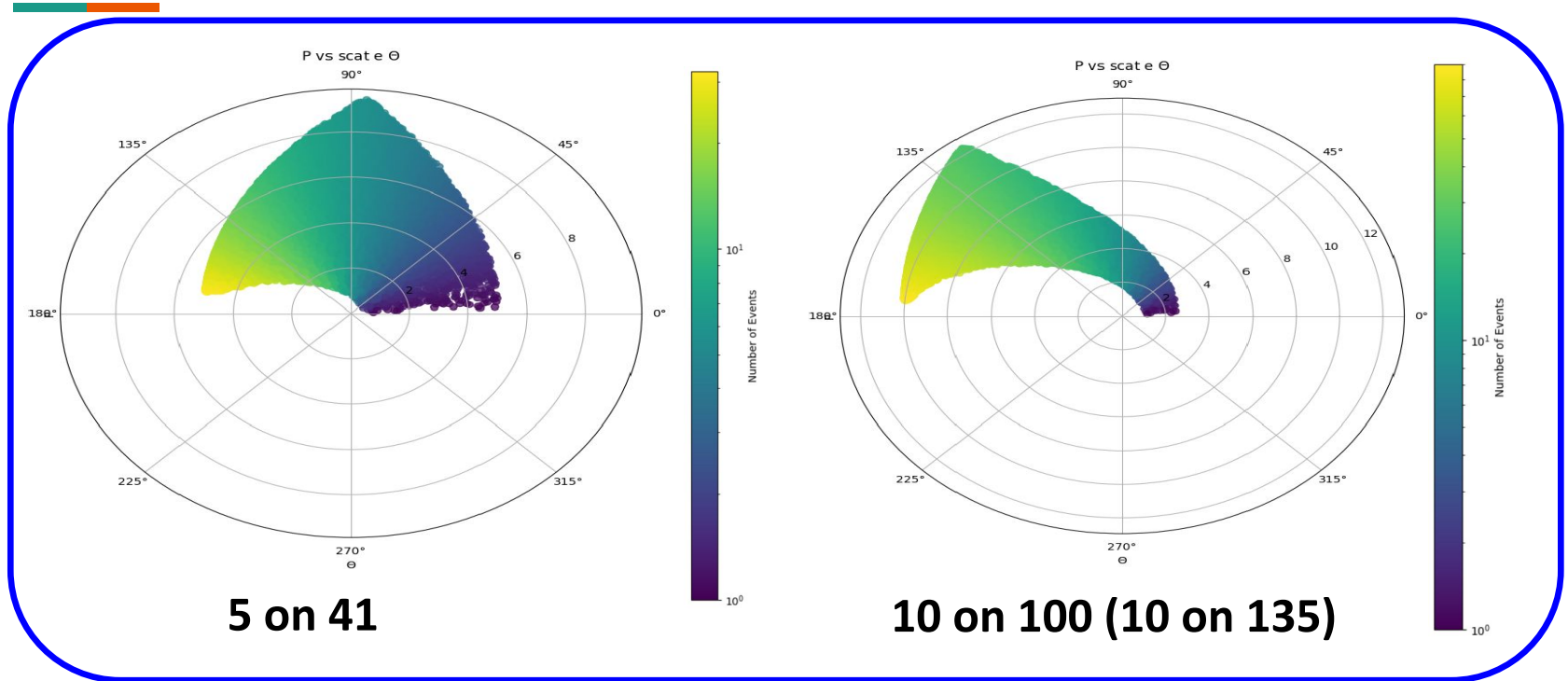


Pion Structure Function Projections

- To reach the large x region at a certain intermediate Q^2 , the lowest possible energy is normally best
- For high beam energies this area requires y to be low
- 5 on 100 can access more acceptance at high- x , but lose acceptance to the low- x region
- Even more for 5 on 41
 - There are some advantages for lower proton energy for $K-\Lambda$ detection

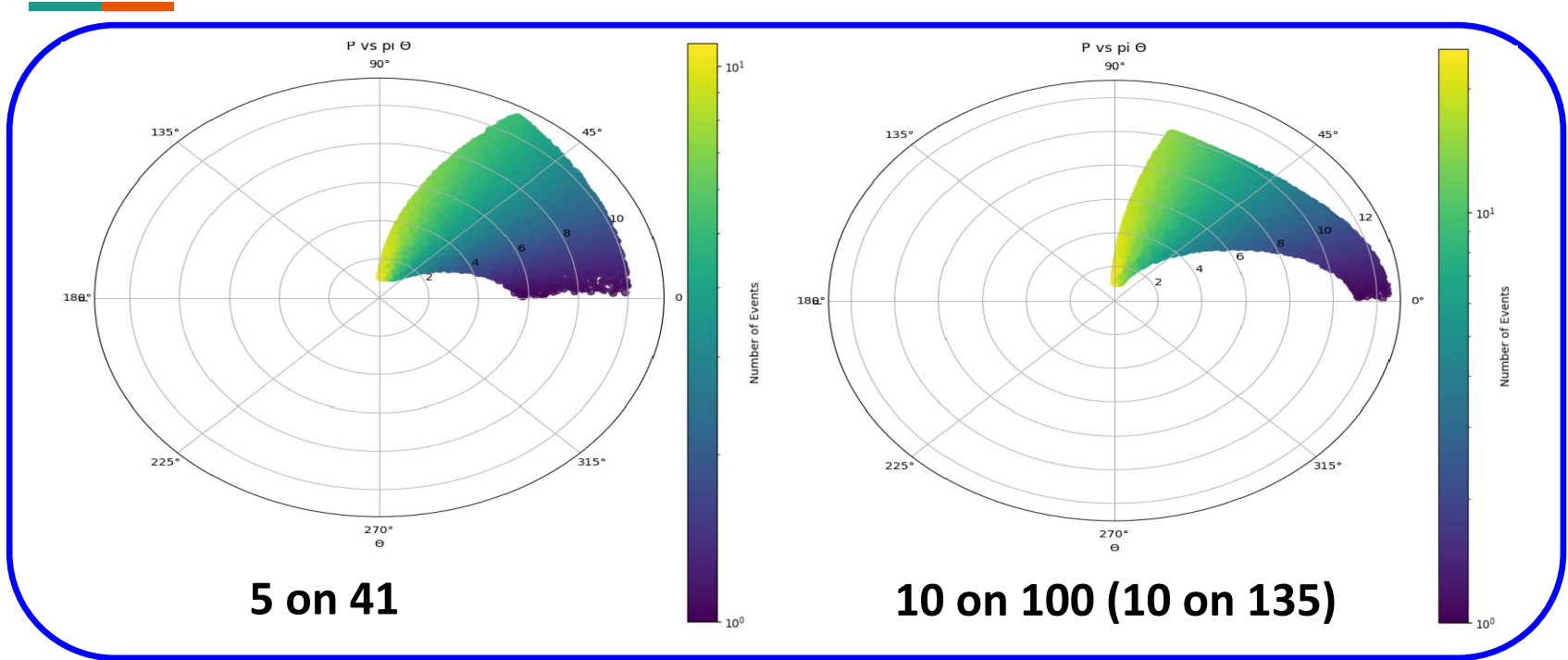


Meson Structure Functions – Scattered Electron

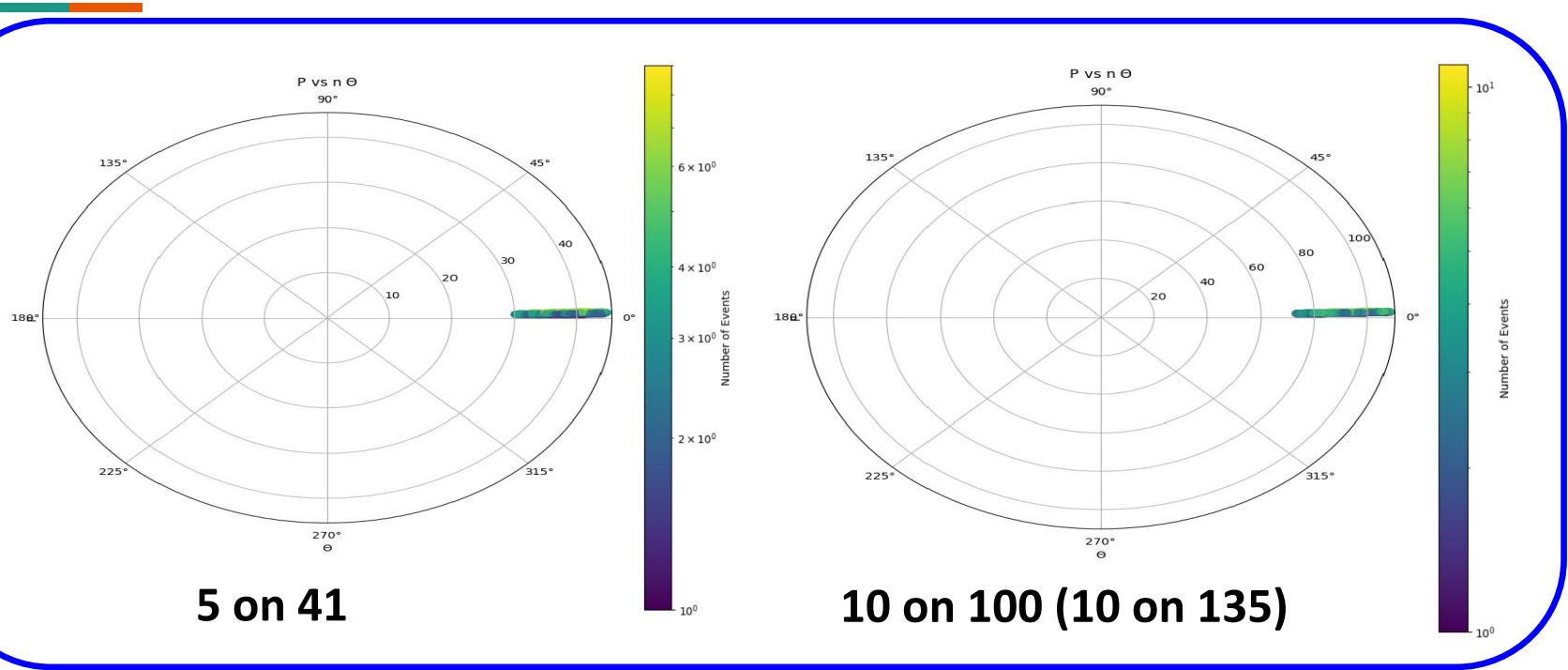


- Scattered electrons can be detected in the **central detector**

Meson Structure Functions – Scattered Meson

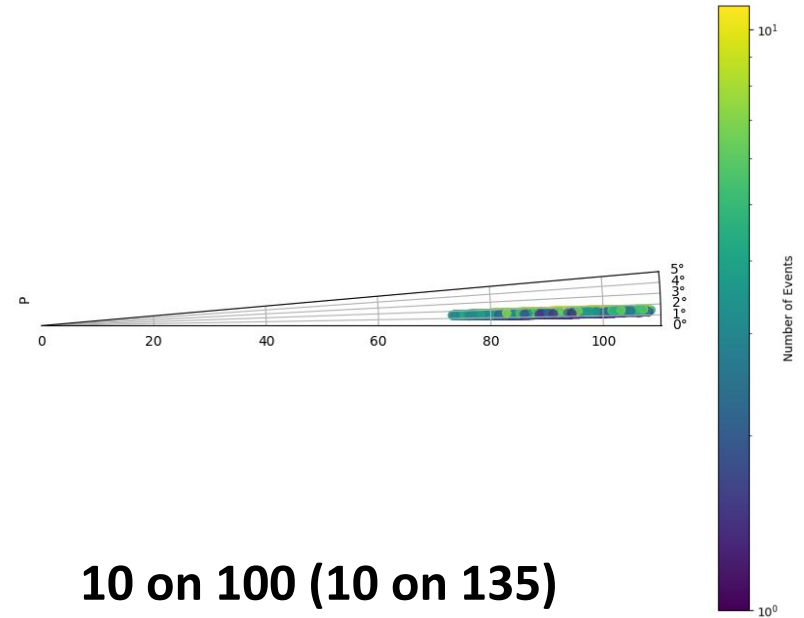
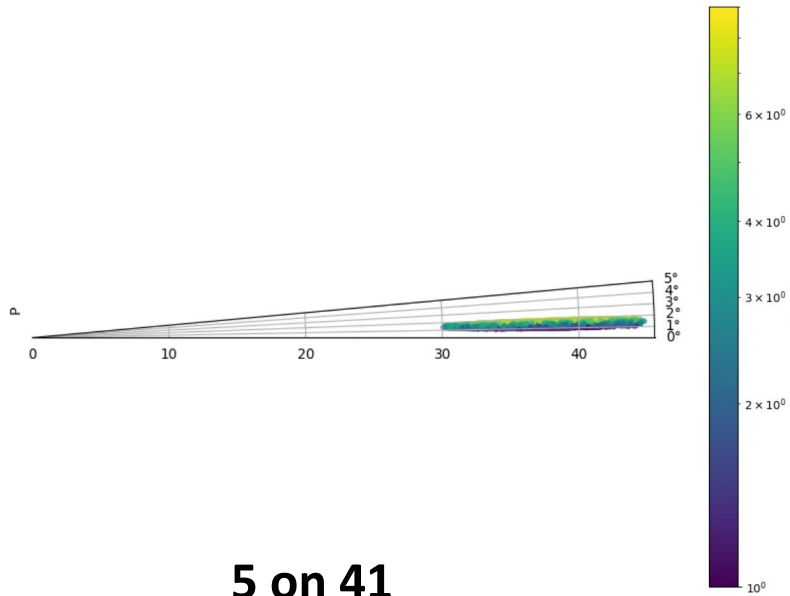


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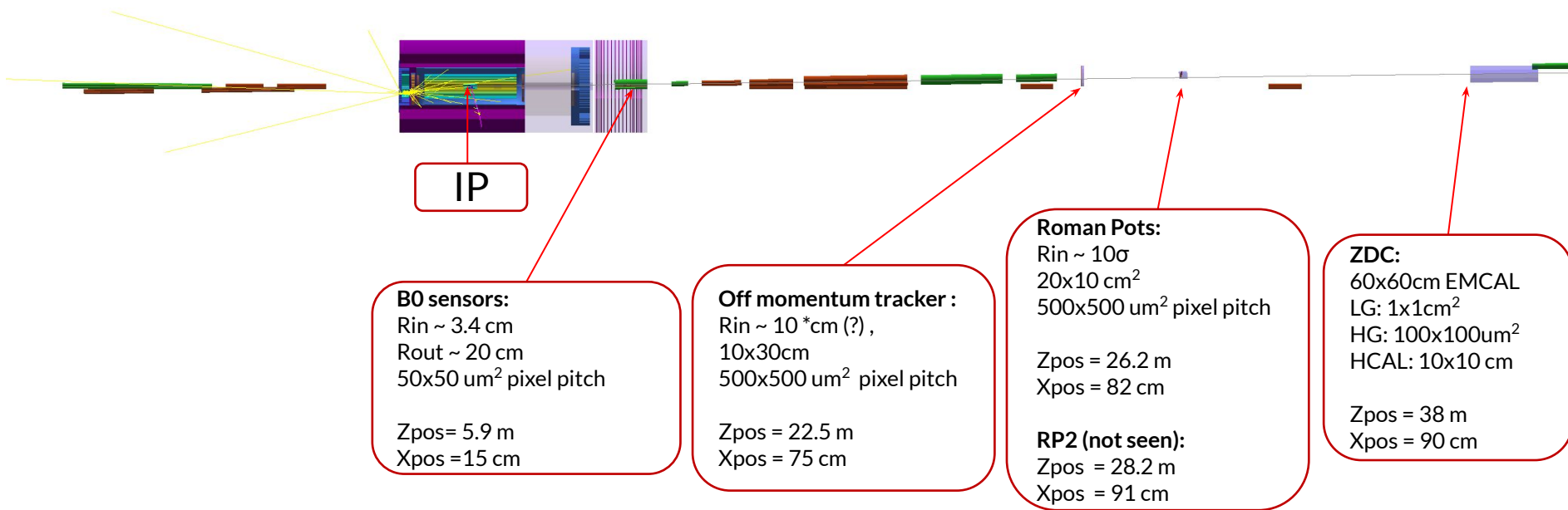
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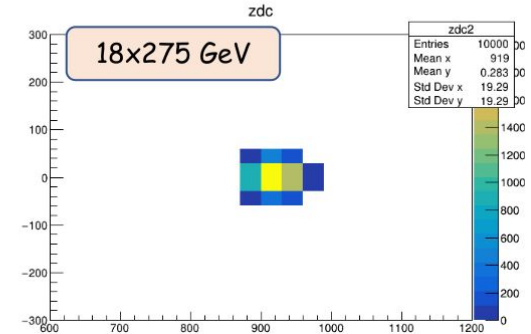
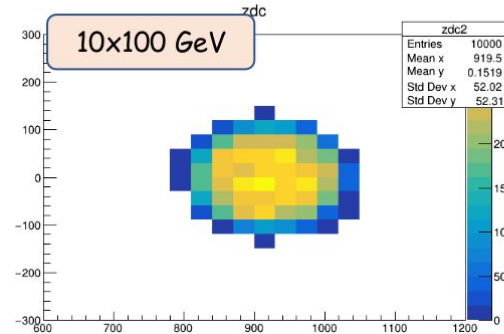
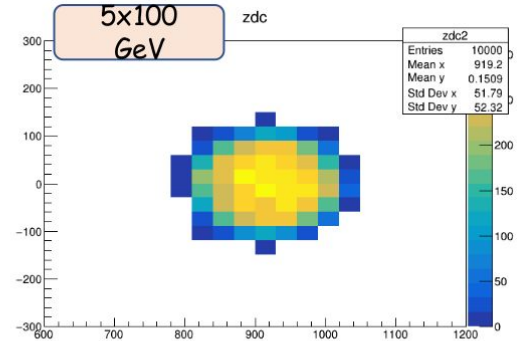
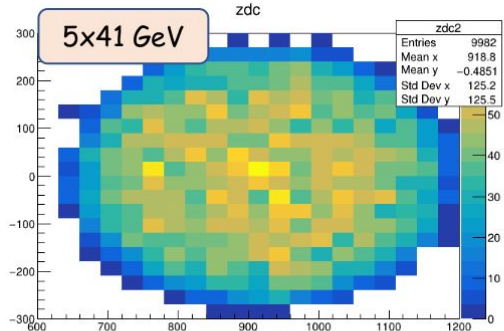
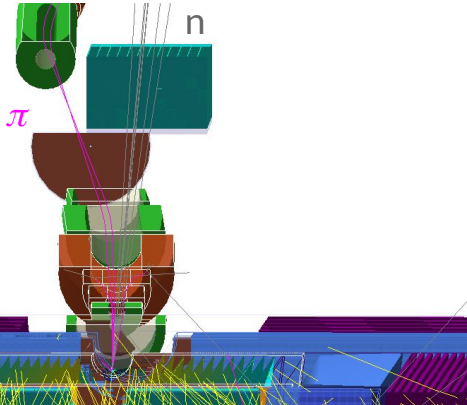
GEANT4 for EIC

- Meson structure MC outputs lund files for use in GEANT4



Neutron Final State

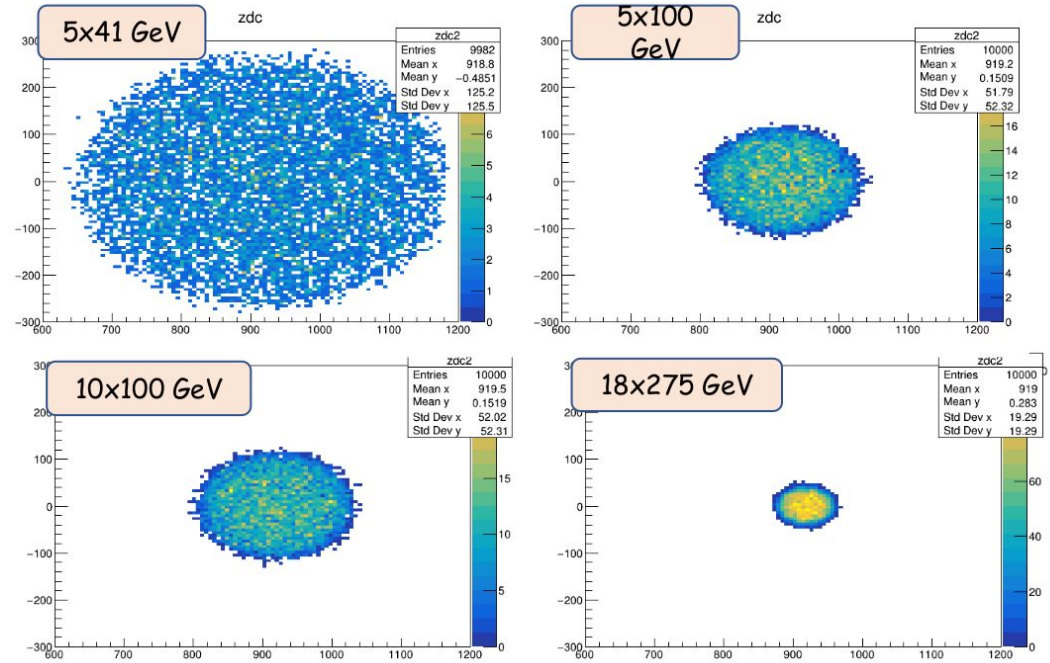
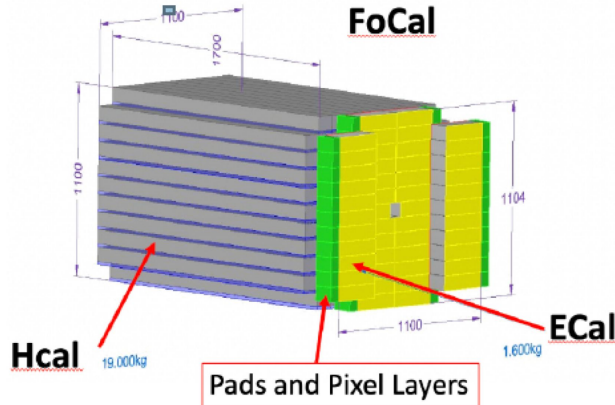
- For neutron final state use ZDC
 - detection fractions $\sim 100\%$ for 60x60 cm ZDC size
 - Need good ZDC angular resolution for required t resolution



- ZDC: [60x60 cm, 20 bins \rightarrow 3 cm towers]
- The 60x60 cm ZDC allows for high detection efficiency for wide range of energies (K- Λ detection benefits from 5 on 41, 5 on 100)
 - Higher energies (10 on 100, 18 on 275) show too coarse of a distribution at this resolution

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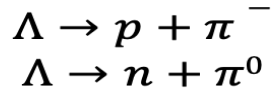
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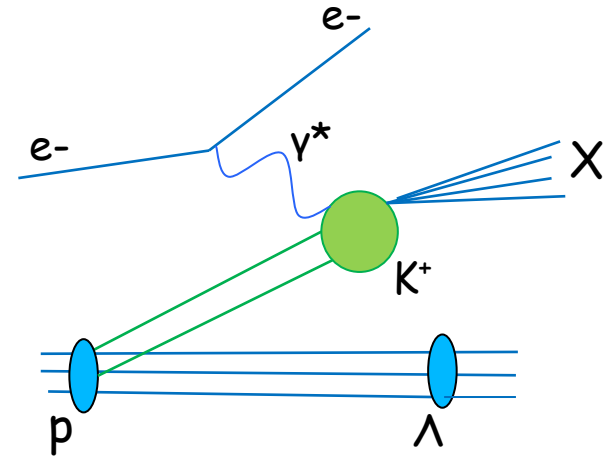
- ZDC: [60x60 cm, 100 bins \rightarrow 0.6 cm towers]
- If we want energies over 100 GeV, we will need resolution of ~ 1 cm or better

Lambda Final State

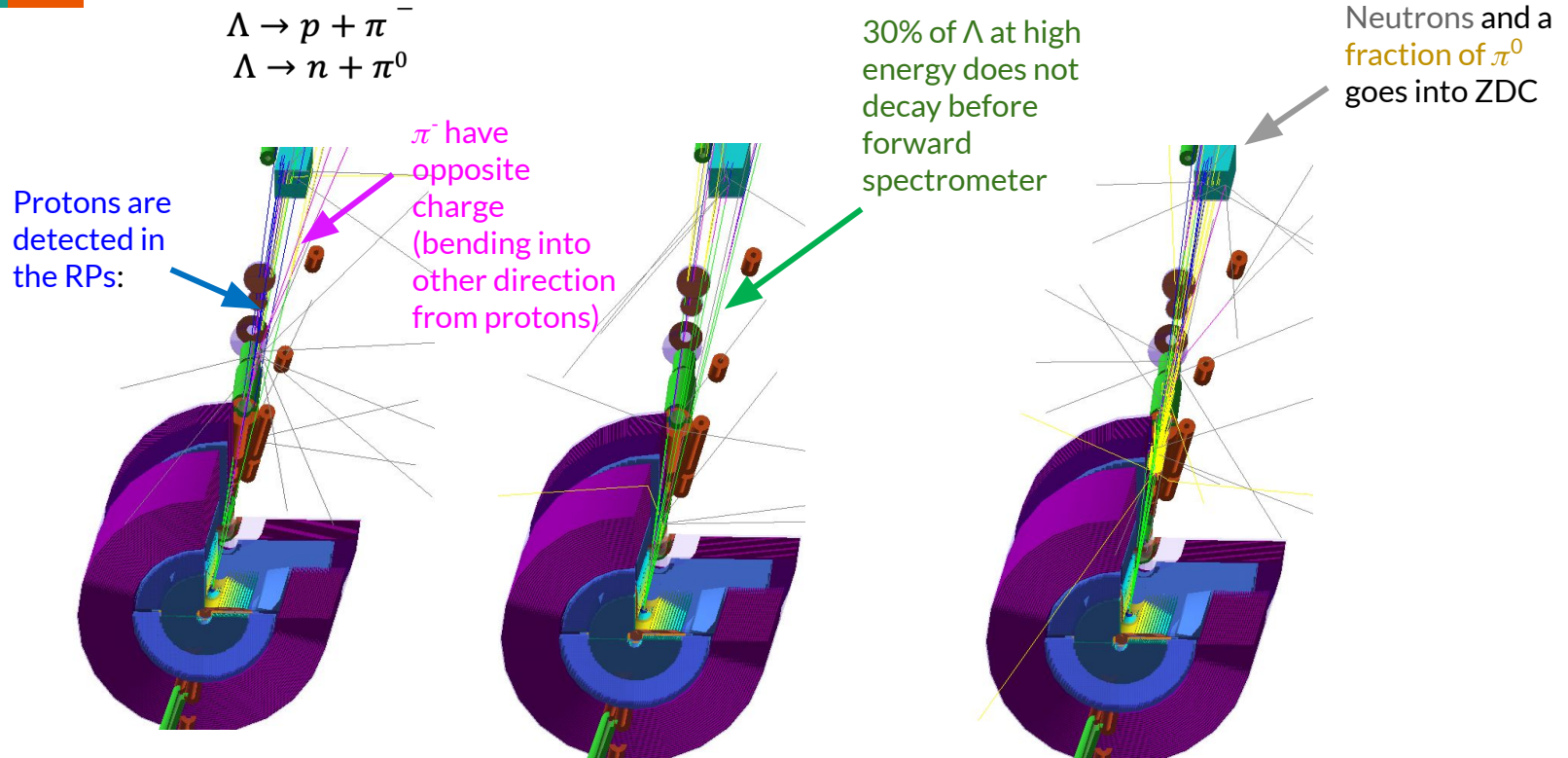
- Λ has two primary decay modes...



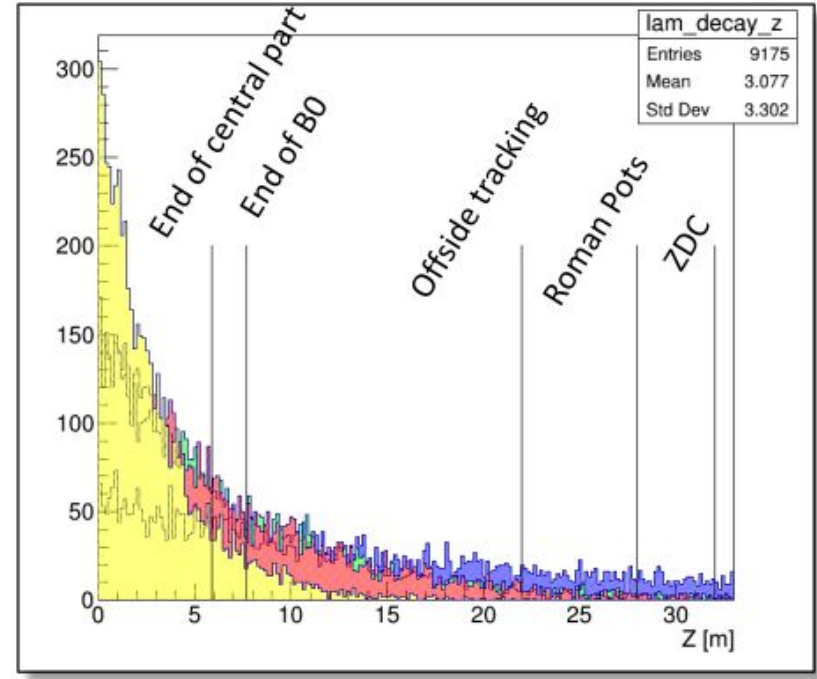
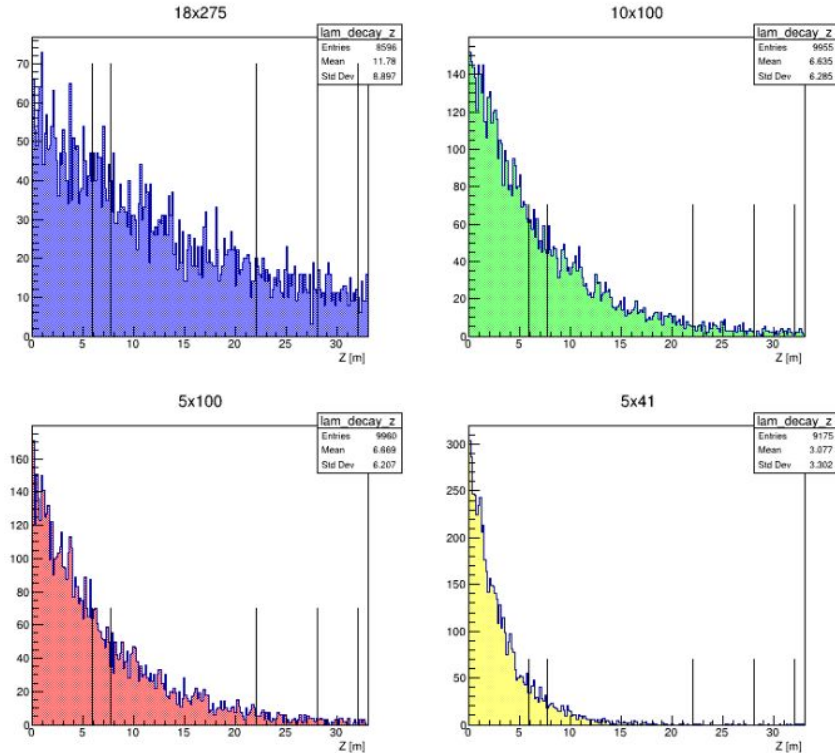
- Optimizing the detection efficiency of these decay products is critical for kaon studies
- The decay length of Λ is dependent on the initial proton beam energy
 - Proper choice of this beam energy is a must since decay lengths can reach past the forward spectrometer at higher energies



Lambda Final State



Decay Length



- There are some advantages for lower proton energy for **K-Λ detection**

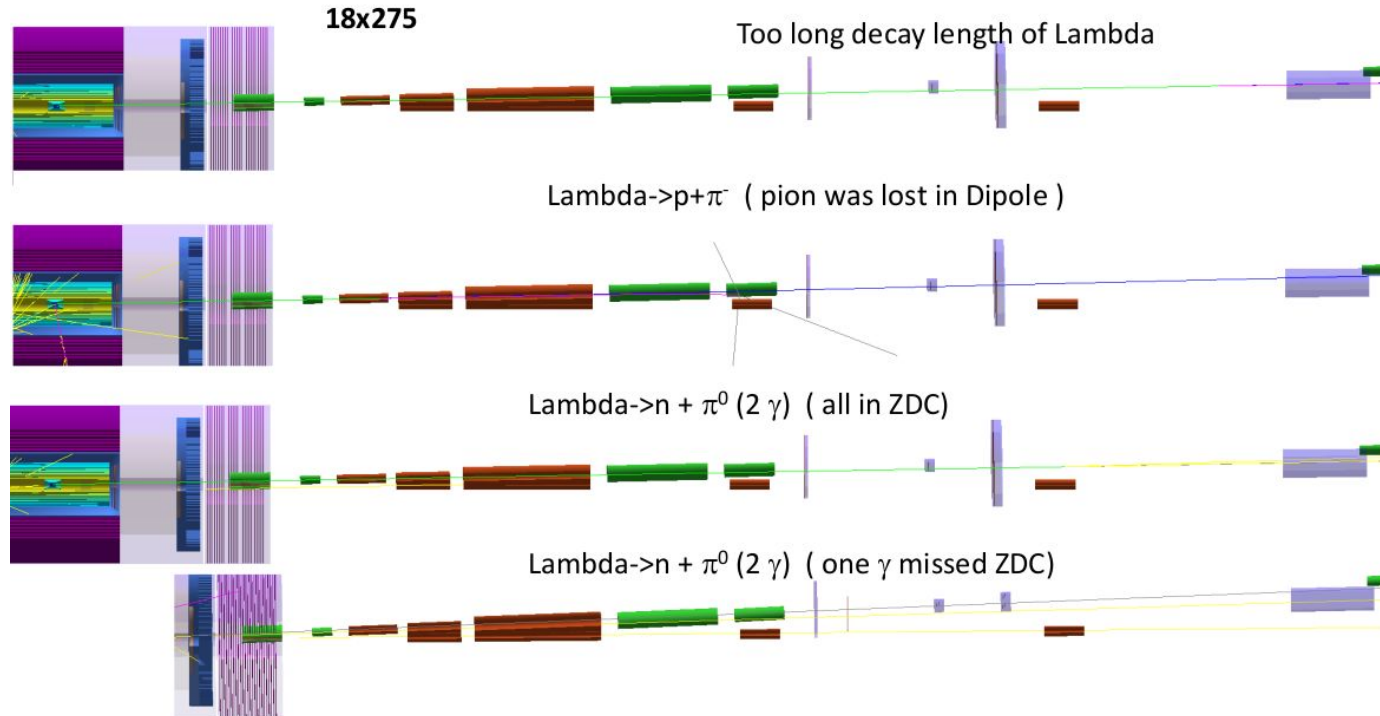
Lambda Final State

$\Lambda \rightarrow p + \pi^-$: very challenging!

- need additional particle tracking between dipoles and ZDC

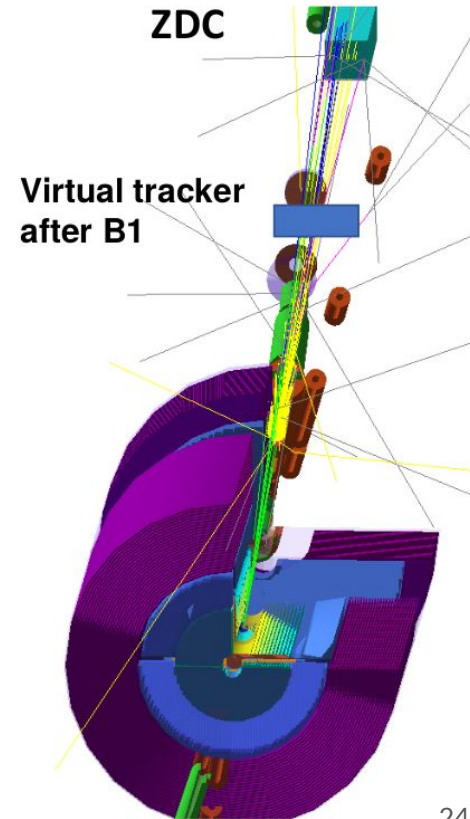
$\Lambda \rightarrow n + \pi^0$: looks promising

- need additional high-res/granularity EMCal+tracking before ZDC



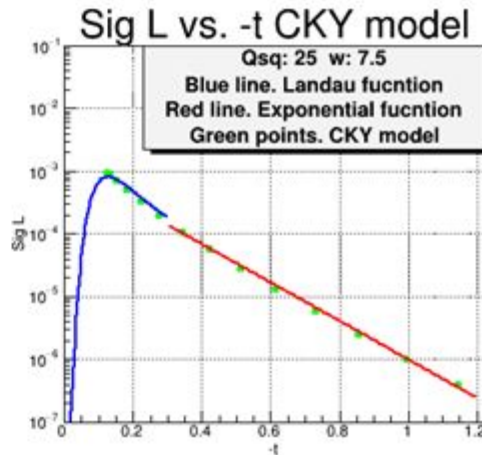
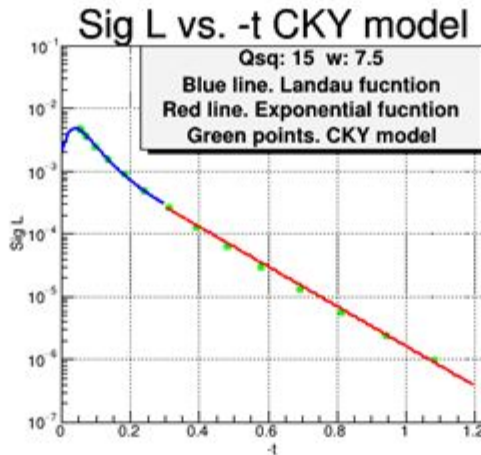
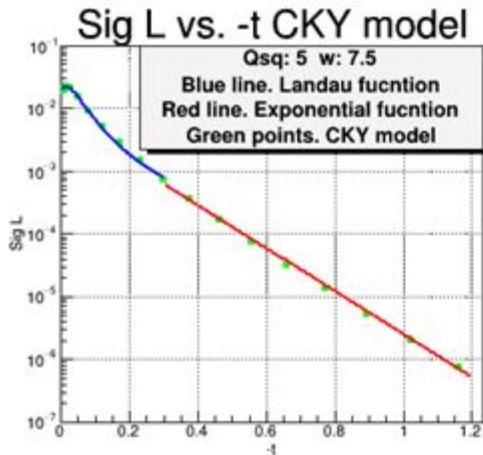
Summary of Detector Requirements

- For π^+/n ...
 - For all energies, the neutron detection efficiency is $\sim 100\%$ with planned ZDC
 - Lower energies [5 on 41, 5 on 100], require at least **60cmx60cm** size to access wider range of energies
- For π^+/n and K^+/Λ ...
 - All energies need good ZDC angular resolution for the required t resolution
 - High energies [10 on 100, 10 on 135, 18 on 275] require resolution of **1 cm or less**
- K^+/Λ benefits from low energies [5 on 41, 5 on 100] and also need...
 - $\Lambda \rightarrow \text{n} + \pi^0$: additional high-res/granularity
 - **EMCal+tracking before ZDC** (seems doable)
 - $\Lambda \rightarrow \text{p} + \pi^-$: additional trackers/veto in opposite charge direction on path to ZDC (more challenging)
- Standard detection requirements
- **[In progress]** Good hadronic calorimetry to obtain good x resolution at large x



DEMP Event Generator

- Want to examine **exclusive** reactions too for π^+ form factor studies
 - $p(e,e'\pi^+n)$ **exclusive reaction** is reaction of interest, treat $p(e,e'\pi^+)X$ SIDIS events as background
- Regge-based $p(e,e'\pi^+n)$ model of T.K. Choi, K.J. Kong, B.G. Yu (CKY) arXiv: 1508.00969
 - MC event generator has been created by parameterizing the CKY σ_L, σ_T for $5 < Q^2 < 35$, $2 < W < 10$, $0 < -t < 1.2$



Future F_2^π projections



- Only ZEUS parameterization for F_2^π is currently implemented
 - next step would be checking with other pion SF parameterizations
 - parameterizations depend on how pion SF is **regulated**
 - varying theory inputs for models and checking how they fit MC pseudo-data
- Goal is to achieve more **comprehensive control/quantification** of theory/model uncertainties
 - explore **limitations** of Sullivan and single-pion exchange framework
 - implement additional contributions; e.g., Regge-theoretic modes
 - these uncertainties are entangled in simulations with the pion structure function (PDF) errors; the combined theory uncertainty must be mapped

Future F_2^K projections

- Goal is to extend to **tagged kaon structure function**
- Very limited data on F_2^K
- Kaon projected structure function data will be of **similar quality** as the projected pion structure function data for the small-t geometric forward particle detection acceptances at EIC - studies in progress
- To determine projected kaon structure function data from pion structure function projections
 - one method...scale the pion to the kaon case with the **coupling constants** while taking the **geometric detection efficiencies** into account

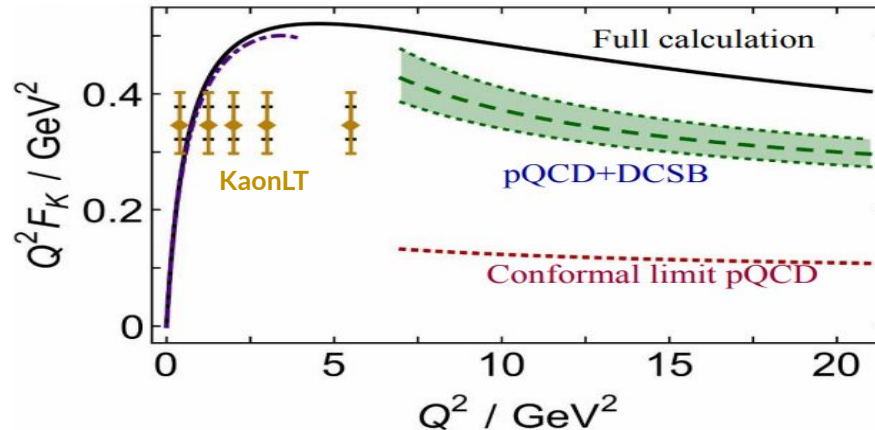
S. Goloskokov and P. Kroll, Eur.Phys.J. A47 (2011) 112:

$$g_{\pi NN}=13.1 \quad g_{Kp\Lambda}=-13.3 \quad g_{Kp\Sigma^0}=-3.5$$

(these values can vary depending on what model one uses, so sometimes a range is used, e.g., 13.1-13.5 for $g_{\pi NN}$)

Kaon Form Factor Projections

- To measure the kaon form factor one has to isolate the **pole process** and show its dominance
- Done in the same way as the pion
 - careful analysis of the t -dependence at low $-t$
 - 12 GeV JLab data (E12-09-011, **KaonLT** experiment) will provide important insight



Summary

- Meson Monte Carlos event generator...
 - Produce π structure function projections with ZEUS parameterization
 - need to achieve more comprehensive control/quantification of theory/model uncertainties
 - Measure “X” and tagged Λ/Σ (K structure function)
 - kaon projected structure function data will be roughly of similar quality as the projected pion structure function
 - Measure π and tagged neutron (π form factor) and Measure K and tagged Λ/Σ (K form factor)
 - one has to isolate the pole process and show its dominance
- Evaluated with simulations detector performance/requirements
 - Standard detection requirements
 - For the tagged neutron at all energies: $\sim 100\%$ detection efficiency
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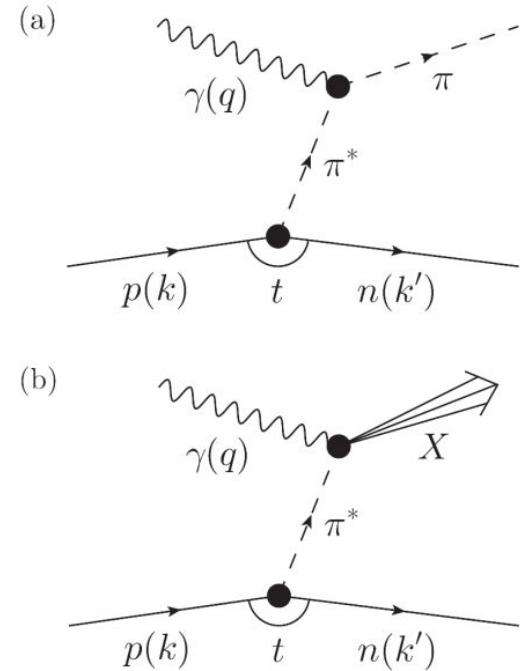




EXTRA

Pion and Kaon Structure

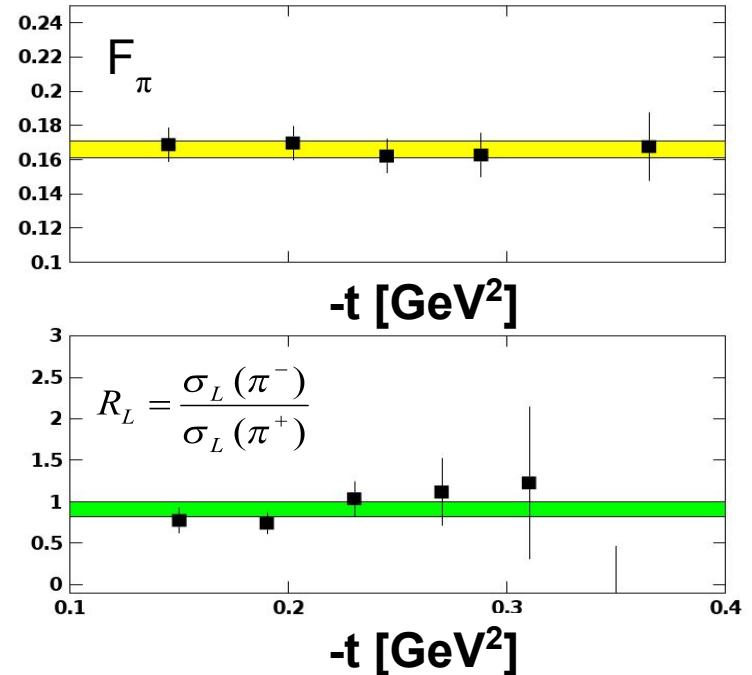
- At **low -t** values, the cross-section displays behavior characteristic of meson pole dominance
 - Using the **Sullivan process** can provide reliable access to a meson target in this region
- Experimental studies over the last decade have given confidence in the electroproduction method yielding the **physical pion form factor**



Pion cloud can access a) Elastic FF b) DIS

Experimental Validation

- To check these conditions are satisfied empirically...
 - data taking covering a **range in t**
 - comparing data with phenomenological and theoretical expectations
 - F_π values **do not** depend on $-t$ to give confidence in applicability of model to the kinematic regime of the data
 - Verify that the pion pole diagram is the **dominant contribution** in the reaction mechanism
 - $R_L (= \sigma_L(\pi^-)/\sigma_L(\pi^+))$ approaches the **pion charge ratio**, consistent with pion pole dominance



T. Horn, C.D. Roberts, J. Phys. G43 (2016) no.7, 073001
G. Huber et al, PRL112 (2014)182501
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5 key EIC measurements

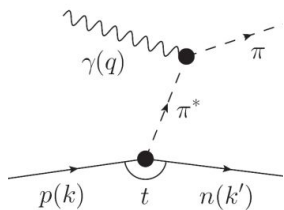
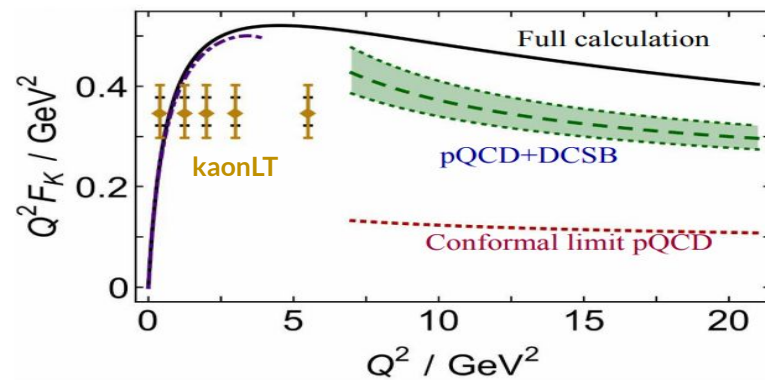
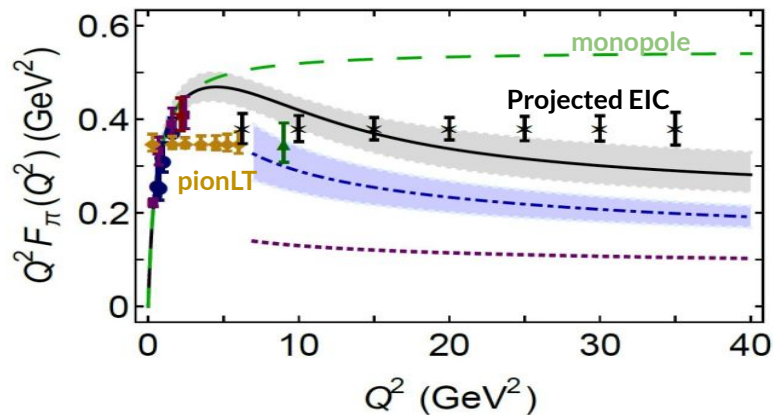
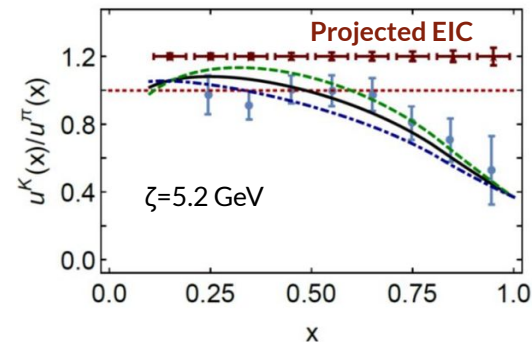


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1. Measurement of pion and kaon structure functions and their GPDs
 - insights into quark and gluon energy contributions to hadron masses
2. Measurement of open-charm production
 - settle question of whether gluons persist or disappear within pions in the chiral limit
3. Measurement of the charged-pion form factor up to $Q^2 \sim 35 \text{ GeV}^2$
 - Quantitatively related to emergent-mass acquisition from DCSB
4. Measurement of the behavior of (valence) u-quarks in the pion and kaon
 - quantitative measure of the contributions of gluons to NG boson masses and differences between the impacts of emergent and Higgs-driven mass generating mechanisms
5. Measurement of the fragmentation of quarks into pions and kaons
 - a timelike analog of mass acquisition, which can potentially reveal relationships between DCSB and confinement mechanism

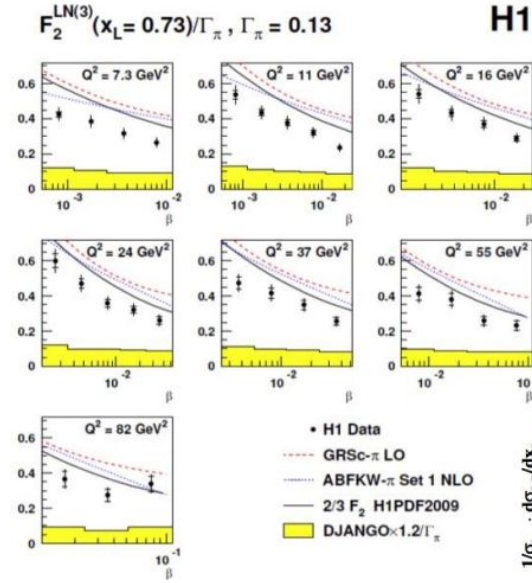
2019 EPJA Pion and Kaon Structure Projections

- The EPJA paper projects a wide range of structure function data
- Projected Q^2 pion FF data up to 35 GeV^2
- Ratio of valence quark data projected at 1.2

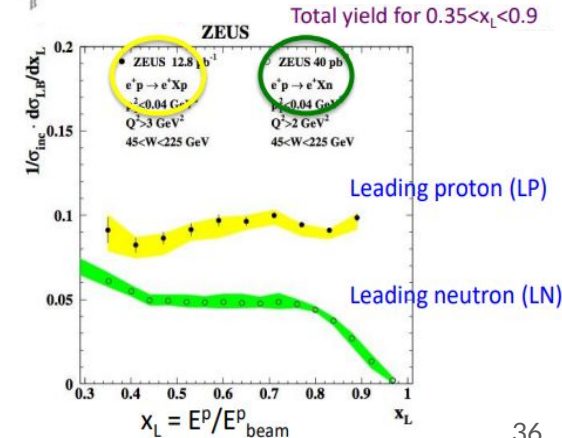
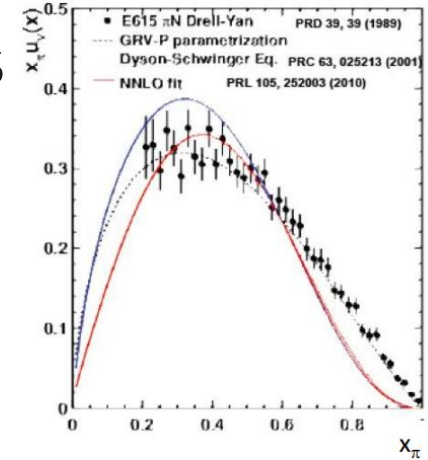


Pion Structure Function Measurements

- Knowledge of the pion structure function is very limited...
 - HERA TDIS data - at low x through Sullivan process (left)
 - Pionic Drell-Yan from nucleons in nuclei - at large x (right)
- One pion exchange is the dominant mechanism
 - Can extract pion structure function
 - In practice use in-depth model and kinematic studies to include rescattering, absorption...

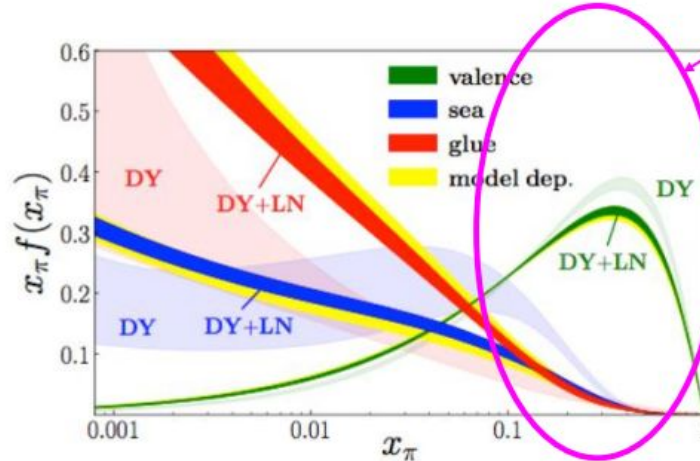


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Global Fits: Pion and Kaon Structure Functions

- First MC global QCD analysis of pion PDFs
 - Using Fermilab DY and HERA Leading Neutron data
 - Significant reduction of uncertainties on sea quark and gluon distributions in the pion with inclusion of HERA leading neutron data
 - Implications for “TDS” (Tagged DIS) experiments at JLab



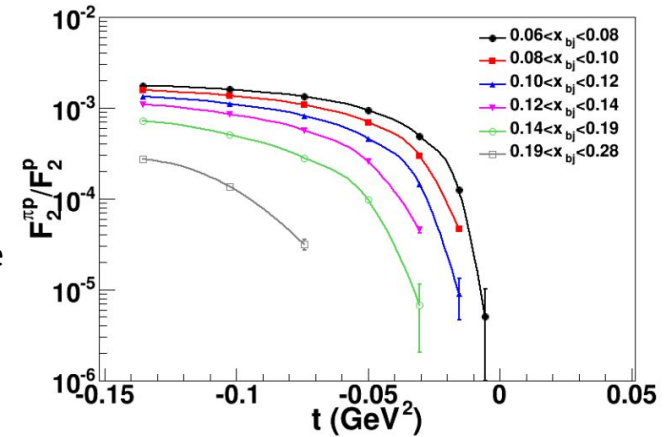
- JLab 12 GeV: Tagged Pion and Kaon TDS
- Also prospects for kaon DY at COMPASS and pion and kaon LN at EIC

DY = πN Drell-Yan

LN = Leading Neutron

EIC Capabilities

- $L_{\text{EIC}} = 10^{34} \text{ e-nucleons/cm}^2/\text{s} = 1000 \times L_{\text{HERA}}$
- Fraction of proton wave function related to pion Sullivan process is roughly 10^{-3} for a small $-t$ bin (0.02)
 - pion data at EIC should be comparable or better than the proton data at HERA, or the 3D nucleon structure data at COMPASS
- By mapping pion (kaon) structure for $-t < 0.6$ (0.9) GeV^2 , we gain at least a decade as compared to HERA/COMPASS
- Consistency checks with complementary COMPASS++/AMBER Drell-Yan data can show process-independence of pion structure information



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Kinematic Variables

$$Q^2 = Q_{max}^2 uu + Q_{min}^2 (1 - uu)$$

$$uu = \text{ran3.Uniform}()$$

$$y_{\pi} = \frac{(pScatP ion)_{rest}(qV irt)_{rest}}{(pScatP ion)_{rest}(kIncident)_{rest}}$$

$$t_{\pi} = E_{\pi}^2 - |pScatP ion.v3|^2$$

$$x_{Bj} = (x_{min})^{1-uu} (x_{max})^{uu}$$

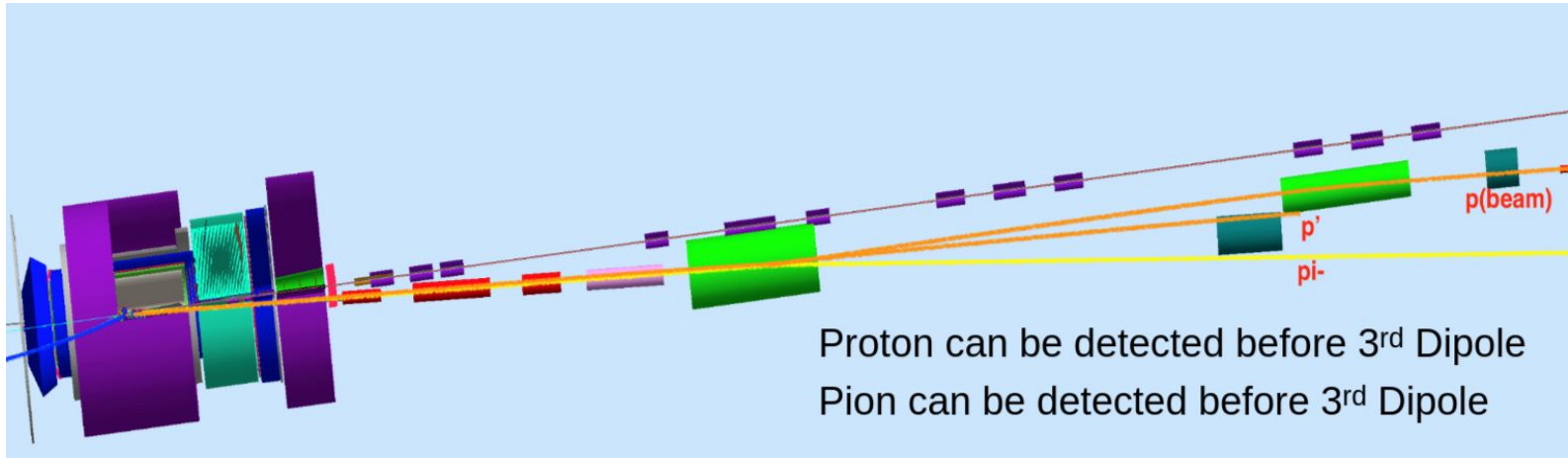
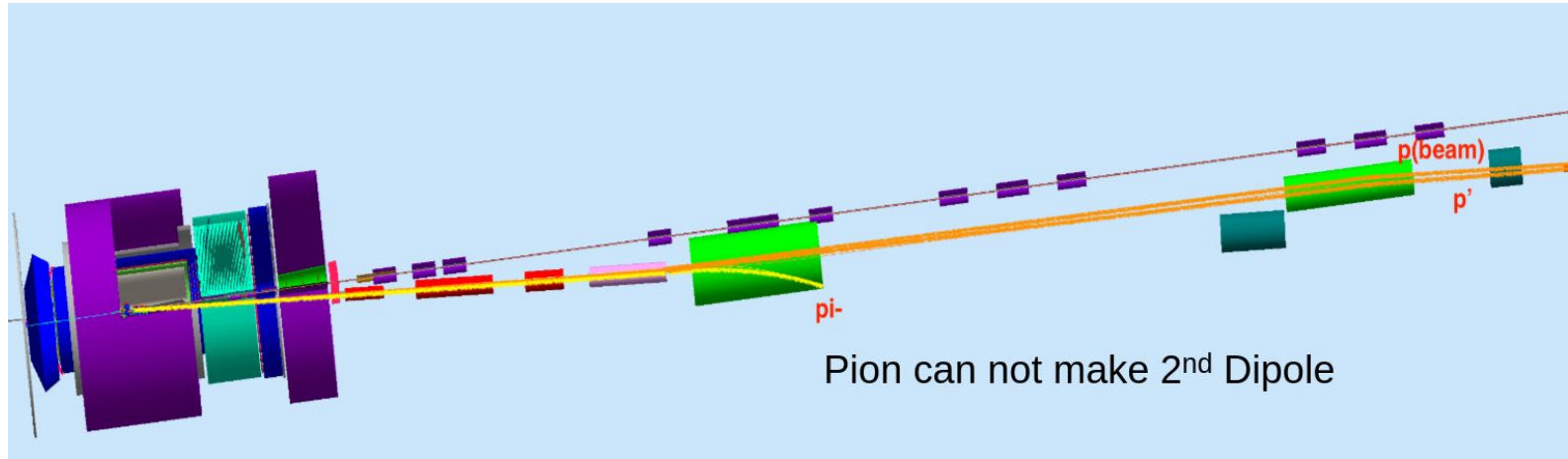
$$x_{\pi} = \frac{x_{TDIS}}{1-(p2)_z}$$

$$(p2)_z = gRandom \rightarrow \text{Uniform}(1)$$

$$x_D = x_{Bj} \left(\frac{M_{proton}}{M_{ion}} \right)$$

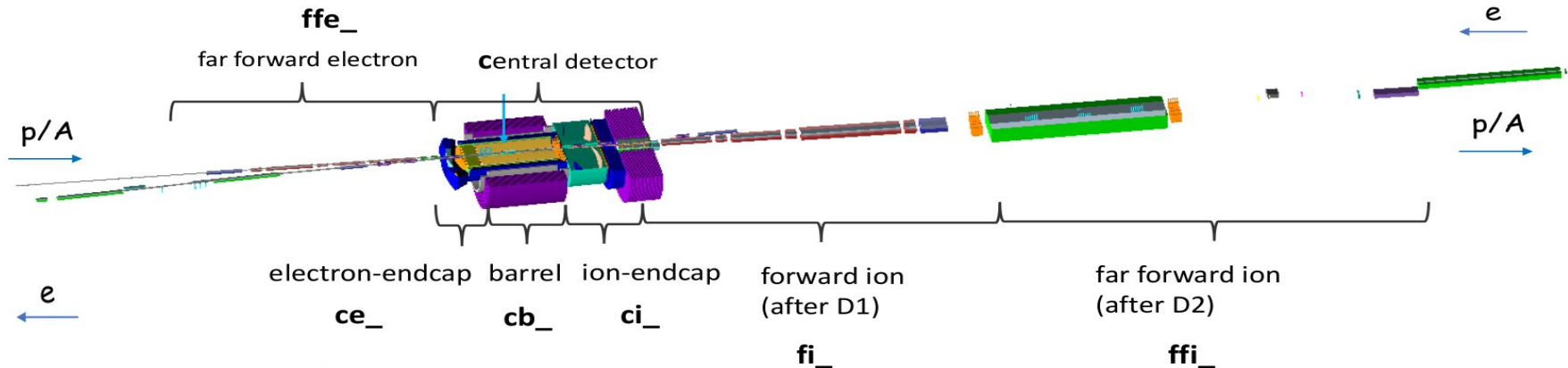
$$y_D = \frac{Q^2}{x_D(2p \cdot k)}$$

Detection of ${}^1\text{H}(\text{e},\text{e}'\text{K}^+)\Lambda$, Λ decay to $\text{p} + \pi^-$

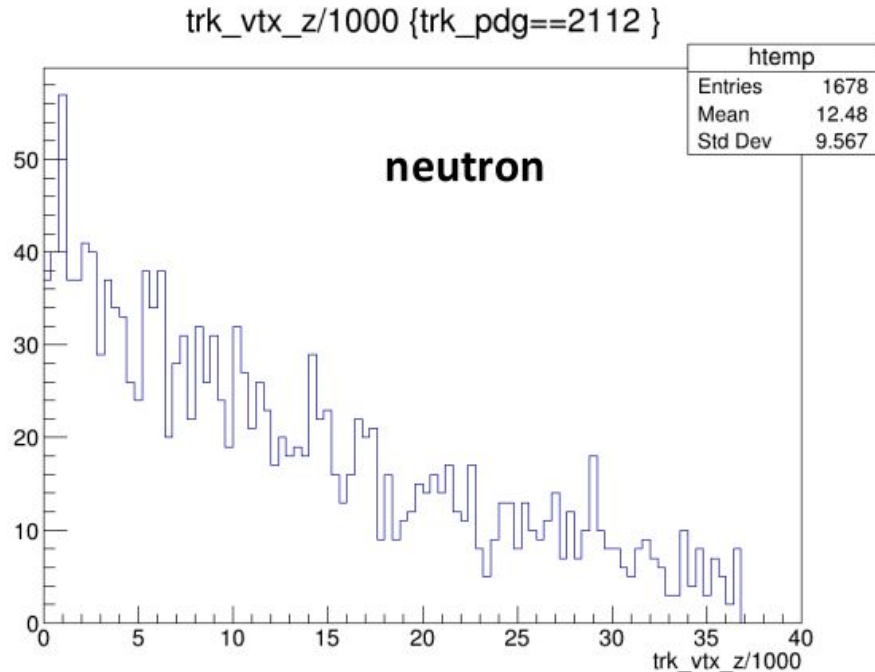


GEANT4 for EIC

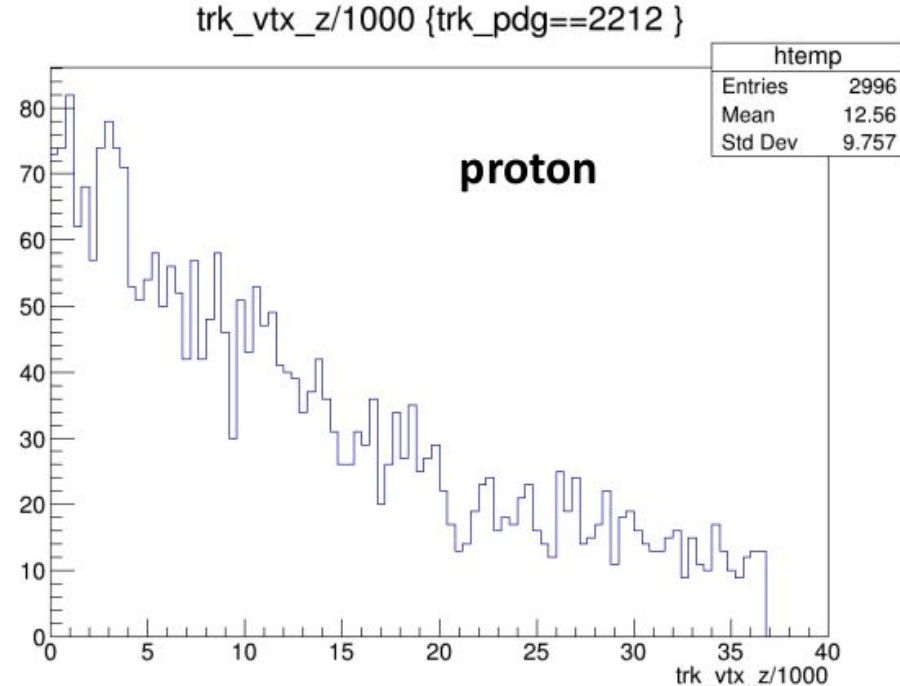
- Meson structure MC outputs lund files for use in GEANT4
- Detector MC updated with eRHIC specifics (crossing angle changes primarily)
- Updates to electron beam line
 - Solenoid centered at zero - this cannot be changed as it affects the beamline
 - IR region was the same size for JLEIC and eRHIC design, so can use JLEIC detector in eRHIC beam line.
 - Modulo beam line required changes in end caps, crossing angles



Decay Length [p(e,e'K⁺Λ⁰)X]



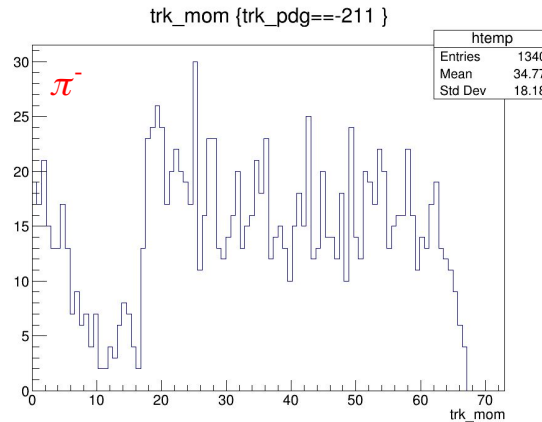
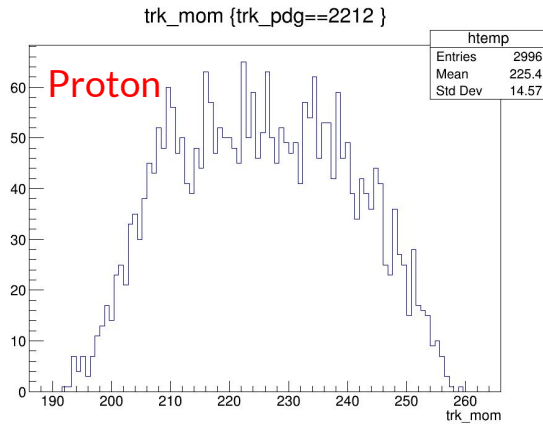
- 10k events → 3580 neutrons → ~47%
 - Need to add π^0 efficiency



- 10k events → 6390 protons → ~47%
 - Need to add π^- efficiency

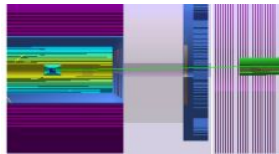
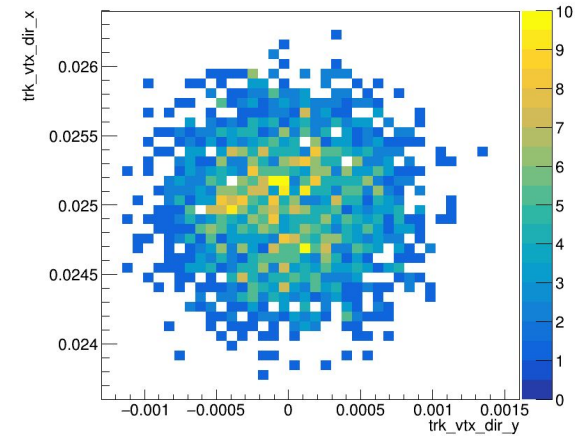
Virtual planes [p(e,e'K⁺Λ⁰)X]

- Next step: Switch from virtual planes to the real size detector and check detector efficiency



Angular distribution for Proton

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Virtual planes

