

# **The first large production. Dielectrons.**

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# Outline

- Details on the first big Monte Carlo production
- Applicability for charged hadron and neutral meson studies
- New production for (di)electron studies

# Big production, setup

- Production details with macro examples are described at <https://mpdforum.jinr.ru/t/monte-carlo-production-requests/61/15?u=riabovvg>
- Please drop me a line if you have issues with access to the mpdforum.jinr.ru (you should be a member)
- Basic details:
  - ✓ requested for (but not limited to) dielectron studies
  - ✓ 10M minbias UrQMD AuAu@11
  - ✓ mpdroot *dev*-version on the end of 2019
  - ✓ Geant-4 for particle propagation through the materials (due to simulation of ECAL)
  - ✓  $\eta$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $\omega$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\eta'$  are decayed in Geant; decay channels with  $e^+e^-$  pairs are enhanced by x20
- The production has been started in the end of 2019

# Big production, output files

- Production of 11.5M events has been finished at LIT  
→ a big **milestone** in the MPD history !!!
- Production files are available at LIT:
  - ✓ UrQMD data:  
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- MicroDST and DST have been copied to NICA cluster:
  - ✓ /eos/nica/mpd/sim/data
- Extra ~ 3M files produced with the same setup can be found at:
  - ✓ /eos/nica/mpd/users/riabovvg/ECAL\_Tutorial\_GeoV3/OUT\_urqmd1(28)
- In total **14.5M** minbias AuAu@11 events are now available for analysis

# New production for charged hadron and neutral meson studies

- No obvious limitations
- Enhanced BRs for  $e^+e^-$  decays for LVMs are of no importance for hadronic decays, hadronic BRs are affected by a small fraction of a percent
- Extra contamination by electrons from enhanced decays of LVMs is negligible. Electron sample is totally dominated by electrons from Dalitz decays of  $\pi^0$
- Total multiplicity is not affected

→ The production can be used as a general-purpose minbias simulation as long as you are: 1) not interested in study of single- or di-electrons (some corrections are needed); 2) not interested in resonances (need reweighting to PDG widths)

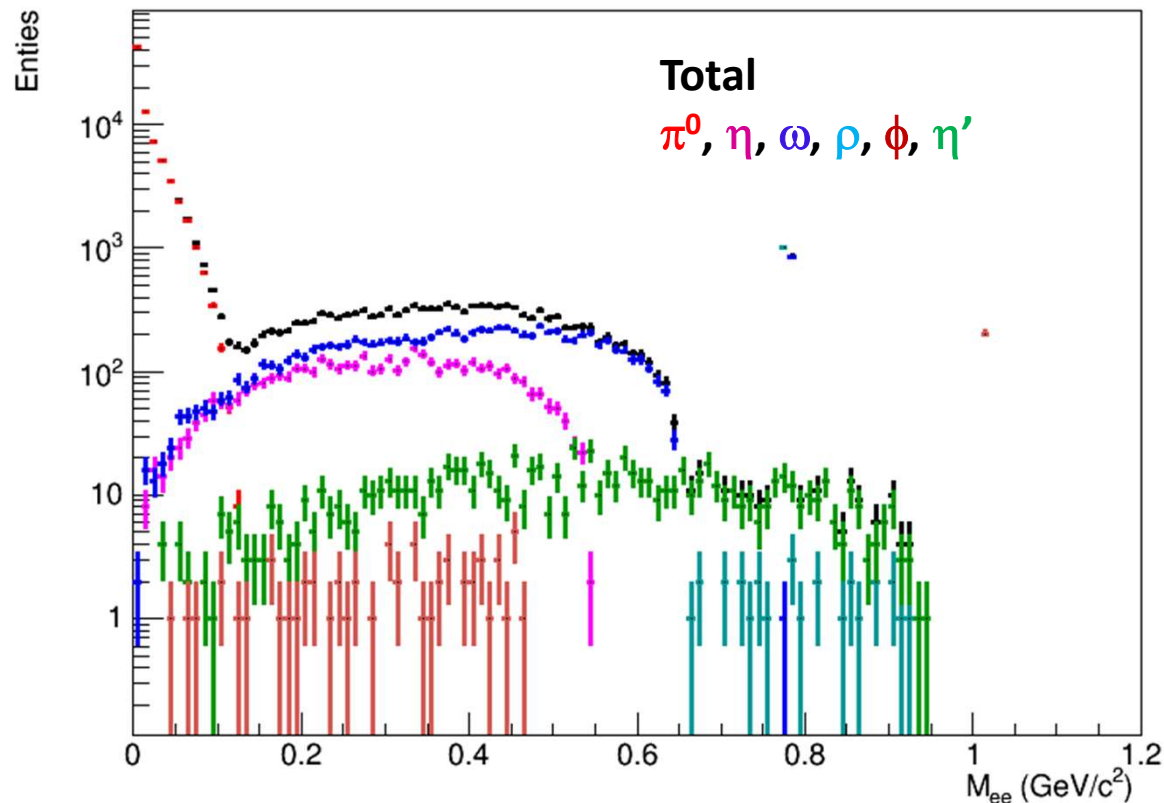
→ PWG4: The production is good for  $\pi^0$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\omega$ ,  $\eta'$  etc. studies, with no extra actions required

# **New production for (di)electrons**

# Issues & problems

- Decays:
  - ✓ UrQMD does not use rare decays, short-lived particles decay in just a few dominant decay channels  $\rightarrow$  LVM are not decayed in  $e^+e^-$ ;
  - ✓ UrQMD does not decay  $\pi^0$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\eta'$
  - ✓ solution was to declare particles of interest as stable in UrQMD and decay them in Geant 4
  - ✓ since LVM  $\rightarrow e^+e^-$  decays are rare  $\rightarrow$  enhanced BRs by x 20 in Geant 4
- Consequences and problems:
  - ✓ Geant 4 in default configuration decays resonances with zero width
    - $\rightarrow$  all resonances from the input file, not only LVMs; secondary resonances are ok
    - $\rightarrow$  same input files work fine with Geant 3
  - ✓ Geant 4 in default configuration decays particles only in top 5 decay channels  $\rightarrow$  no Dalitz decays for  $\eta$  or  $\omega$ , no  $e^+e^-$  decays for LVMs ... similar problem as for UrQMD
  - ✓ As a solution redefined decay channels for particles in UserDecay.C steering script:
    - $\rightarrow$  added  $e^+e^-$  decays for LVMs, enhanced BRs by x20  $\rightarrow$  ok
    - $\rightarrow$  added Dalitz decays of  $\eta$  and  $\omega$  as 3-body decays to  $\gamma e^+e^- \rightarrow$  ersatz with wrong phase space

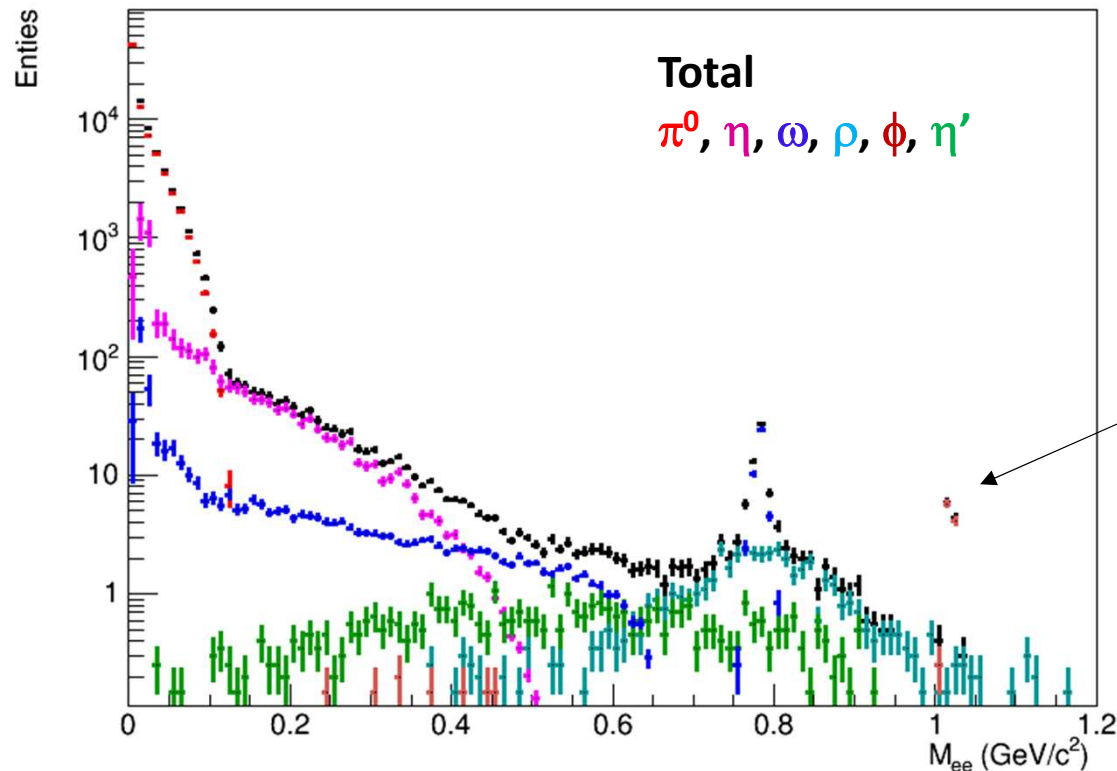
# Generated dielectron continuum, “as is”



- 100,000 events
- All problems are clearly seen:
  - ✓ zero width for  $\rho$ ,  $\omega$  and  $\phi$
  - ✓ wrong shapes for Dalitz decays of  $\eta$  and  $\omega$
  - ✓ enhanced (x20) rates for  $\rho$ ,  $\omega$  and  $\phi$



# Generated dielectron continuum, corrected

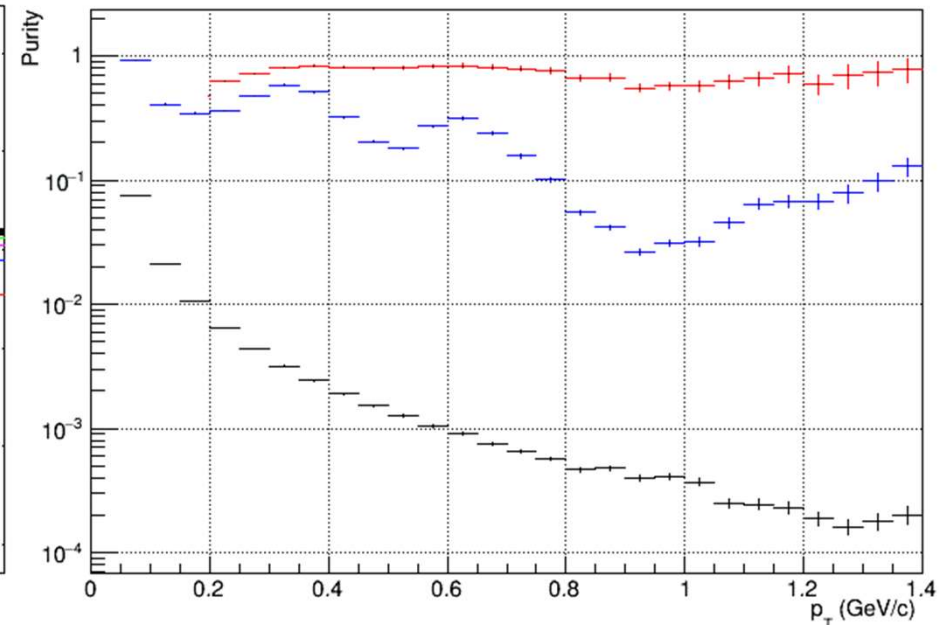
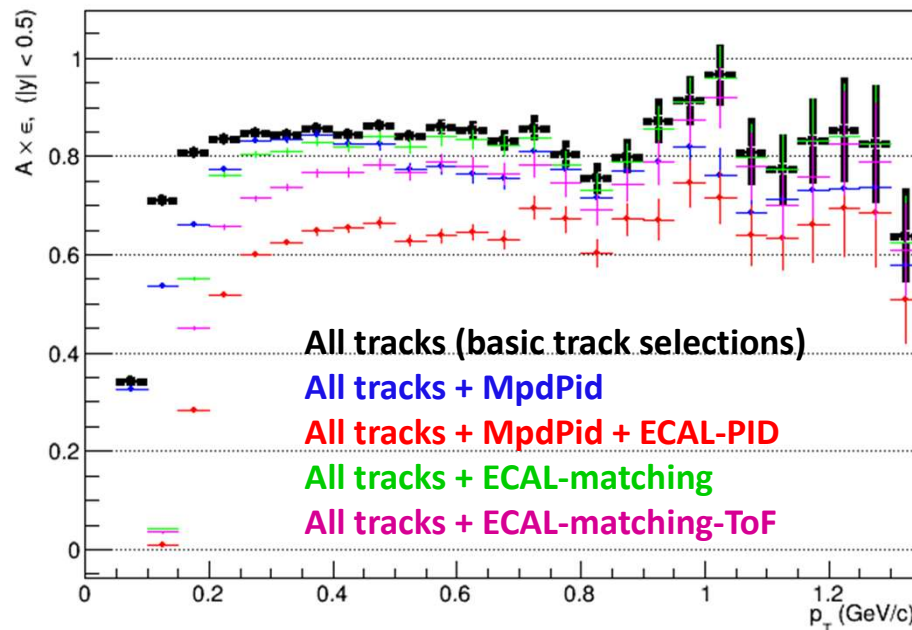


Would have only  
~ 20 generated  
counts for  $\phi$   
without BR  
scaling

- 100,000 events
- Reweighting & smearing resolves most of the problems:
  - ✓ smeared  $\rho$ ,  $\omega$  and  $\phi$  widths to PDG values
  - ✓ reweighted shapes of  $\eta$  and  $\omega$  Dalitz decay to PHSD shapes (exact shapes are not so important)
  - ✓ scaled  $e^+e^-$  pairs from  $\rho$ ,  $\omega$  and  $\phi$  decays by 1/20

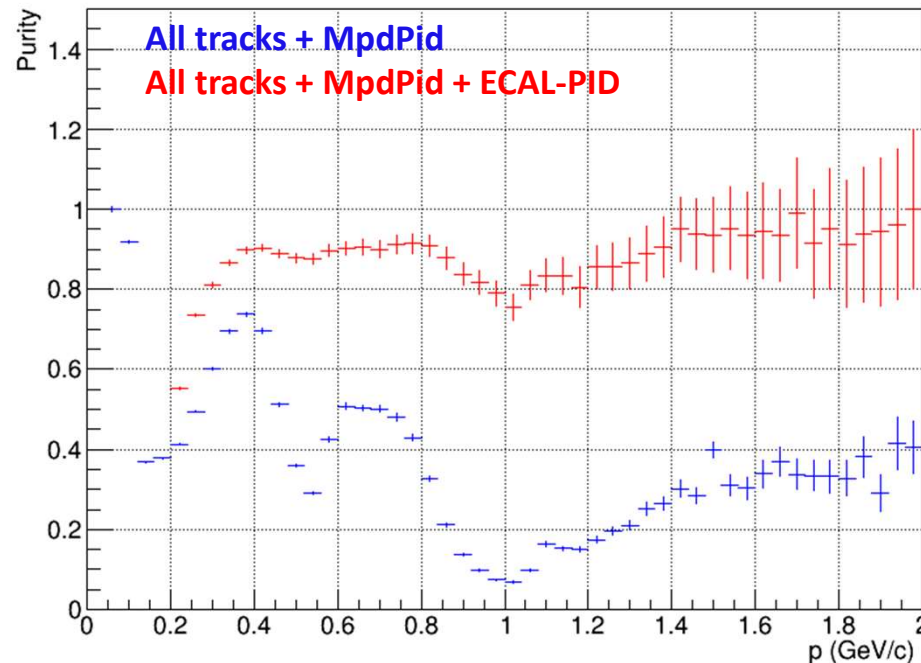
# Electron identification and purity

- 1M events
- Basic track selection cuts:
  - ✓ TPC-hits > 20;
  - ✓  $|y| < 0.5$
  - ✓  $2\sigma$  matching to PV
  - ✓  $p_T > 50$  MeV/c
- TPC/TOF-PID:
  - ✓ mpdpid class, probability > 0.9
- EMC-PID:
  - ✓  $2\sigma$  track-cluster matching
  - ✓  $[-3\sigma; 2\sigma]$  EMC-ToF
  - ✓  $3-4\sigma < E/p < 1.5$
- TPC/TOF-PID (or MpdPid) ensures high efficiency for  $e^\pm$  selection
- EMC-PID starts to work at  $p_T > 200$  MeV/c, efficiency drop by  $\sim 20\%$ , higher purity



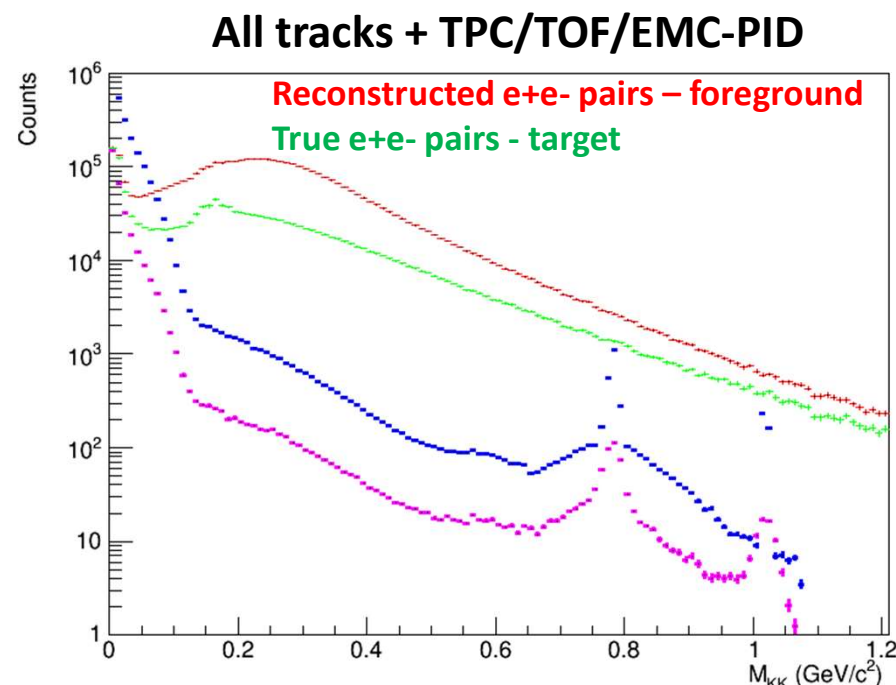
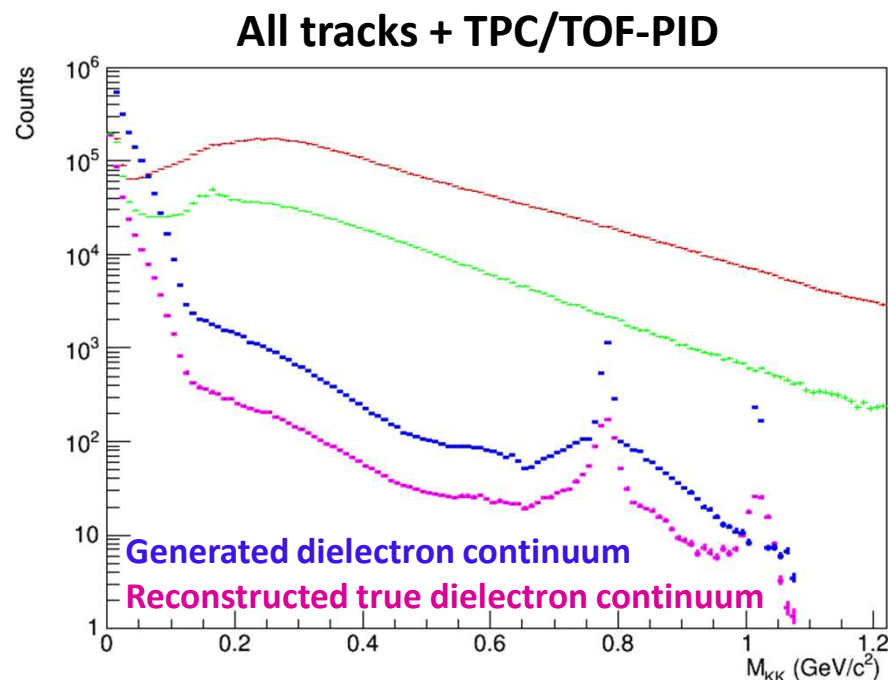
# Electron purity, linear scale

- Same purity in linear scale



- TPC/TOF-PID: profound drops of purity at  $\pi/K/p$  masses
- ECAL significantly improves electron purity at  $p_T > 0.2$  GeV/c
- Electron purity is rather poor at  $p_T < 0.3-0.4$  GeV/c even with combined TPC/TOF/EMC-PID

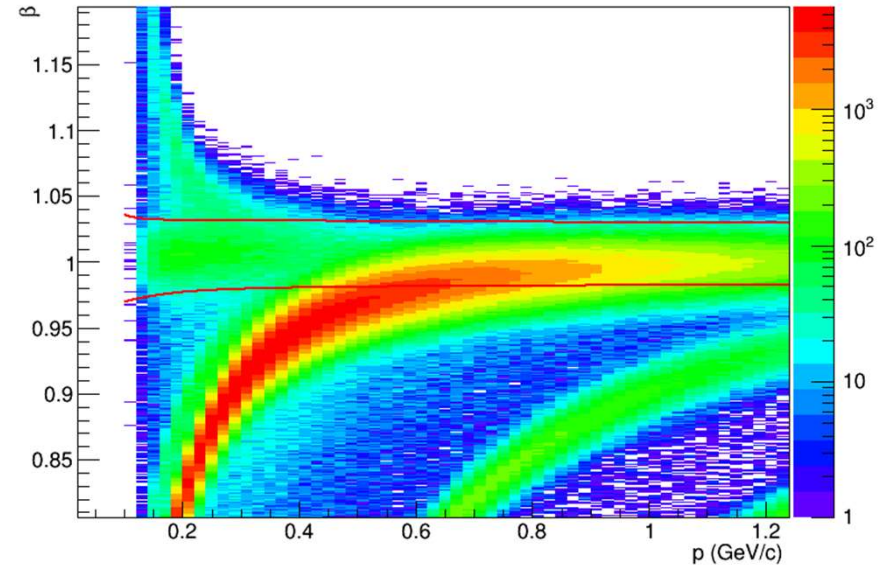
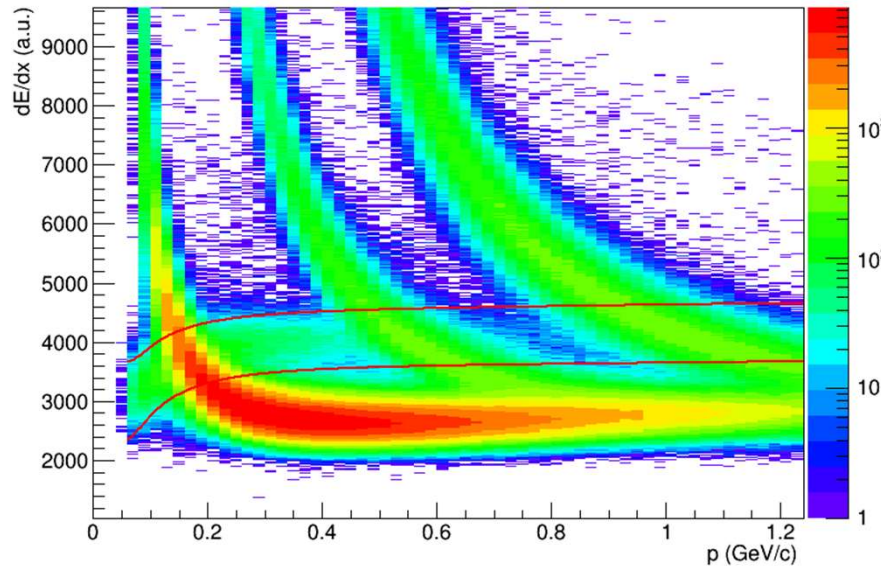
# Dielectron spectra, first look



- Hadron contamination determines the combinatorial background
- Quadratic dependence of contamination on electron purity:
  - ✓ purity = 0.9  $\rightarrow$   $\sim$  20% contamination to  $e^+e^-$  pairs;
  - ✓ purity = 0.7  $\rightarrow$   $\sim$  50% contamination to  $e^+e^-$  pairs;
  - ✓ purity = 0.5  $\rightarrow$   $\sim$  75% contamination to  $e^+e^-$  pairs;
- Hadron-hadron correlations ( $K_s/\rho/\omega/\phi$ /etc.  $\rightarrow \pi\pi$ ,  $KK$  etc.) will result in irreducible correlated background, which will mimics the signal (enhancement, structures etc.)
  - $\rightarrow$  target electron purity  $> 95\%$ , electron purity must be improved !!!

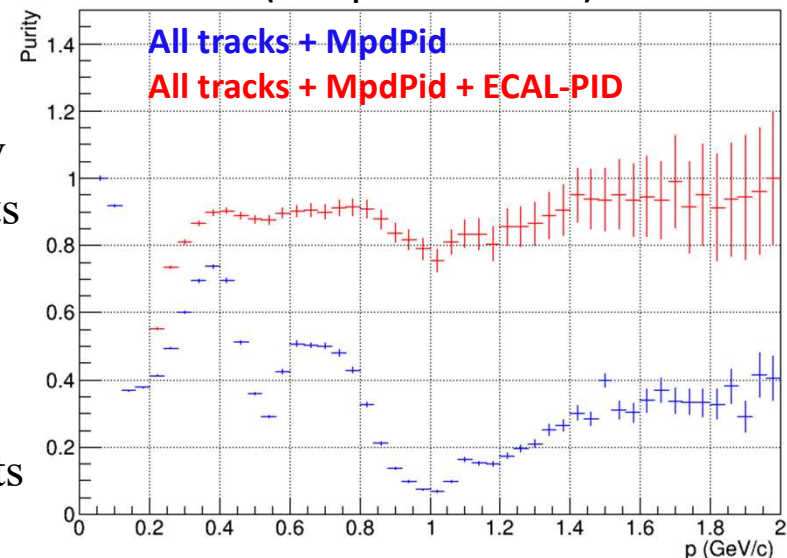
# Electron identification, TPC & TOF

—  $2\sigma$  eID bands



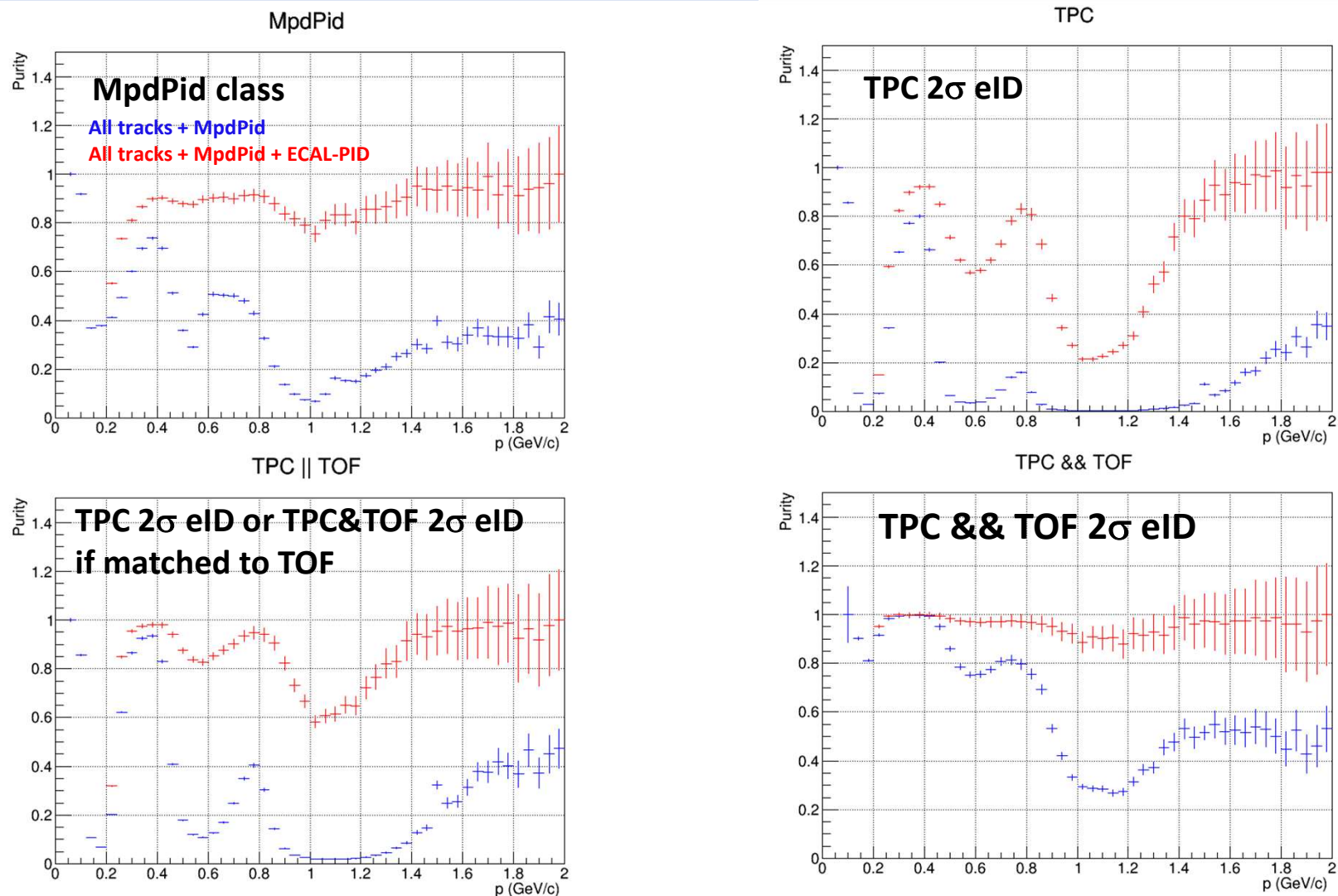
- TOF effectively turns on only at  $p > 150$  MeV/c
- Reliable eID with the TPC is possible only at very low momentum,  $3\sigma$  pion veto cut effectively limits the momentum range to  $p_T < 50-70$  MeV/c  $\rightarrow$  domain of conversion and Dalitz decay electrons  $\rightarrow$  not really interested
- Should additionally consider TPC & TOF  $n\text{-}\sigma$  cuts

(same plot as in slide 11)



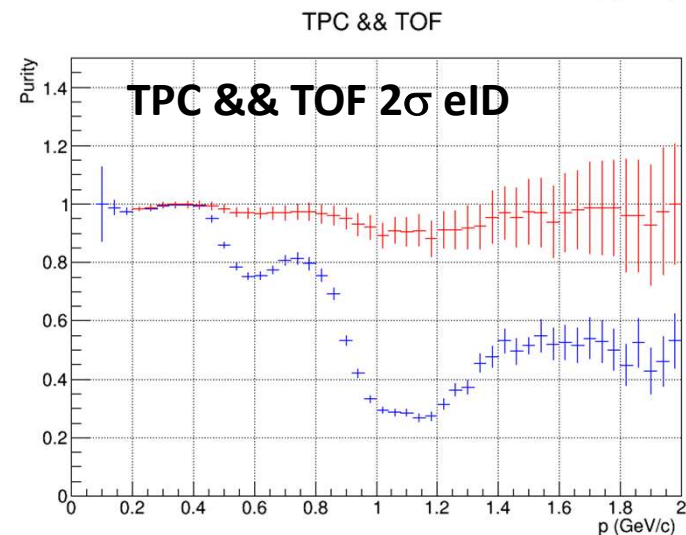
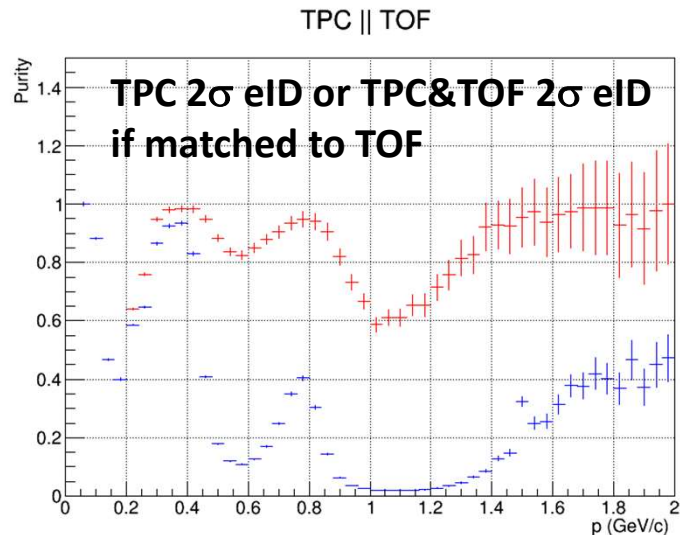
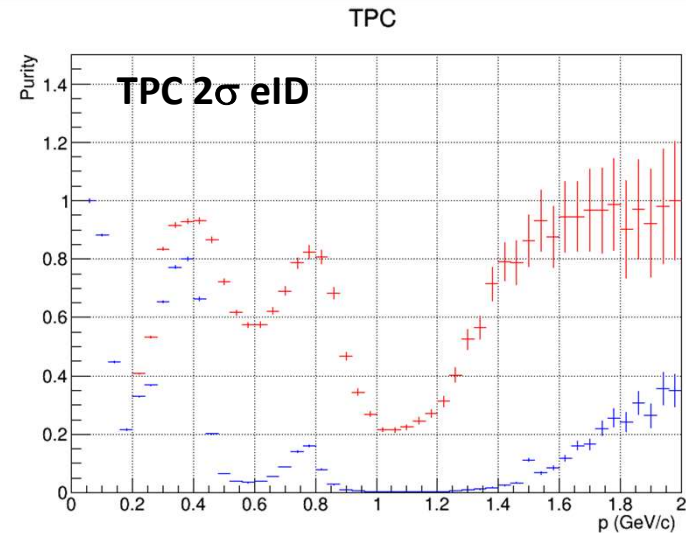
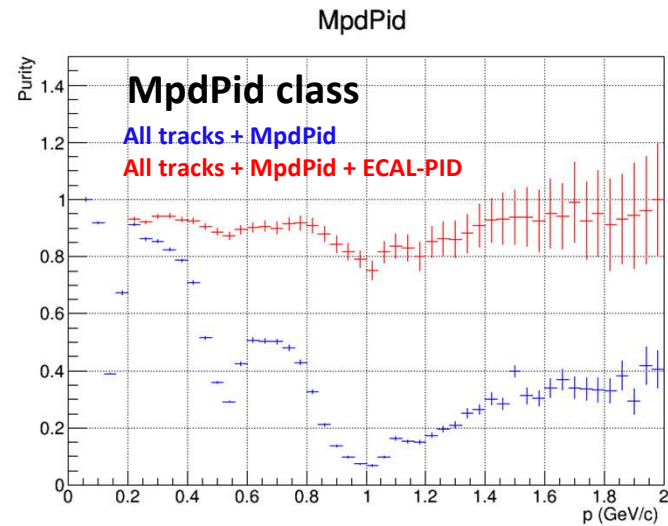


# Electron purity, different eID selections



- MpdPid class in general works better than TPC and TPC || TOF options
- None of the options provides the needed purity

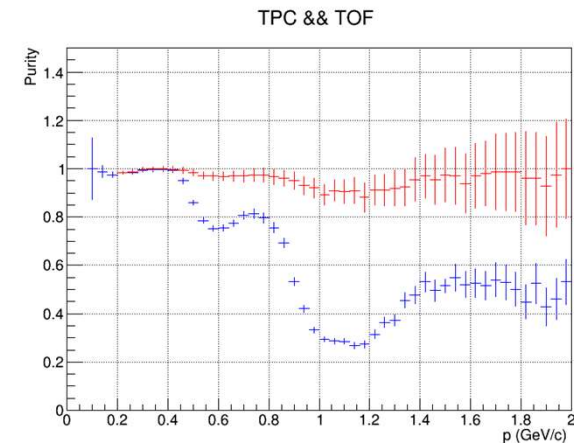
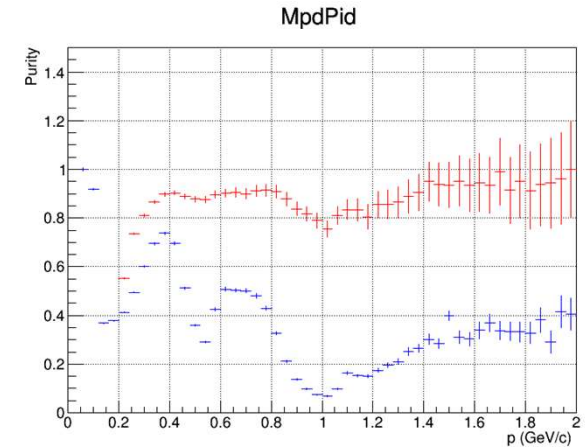
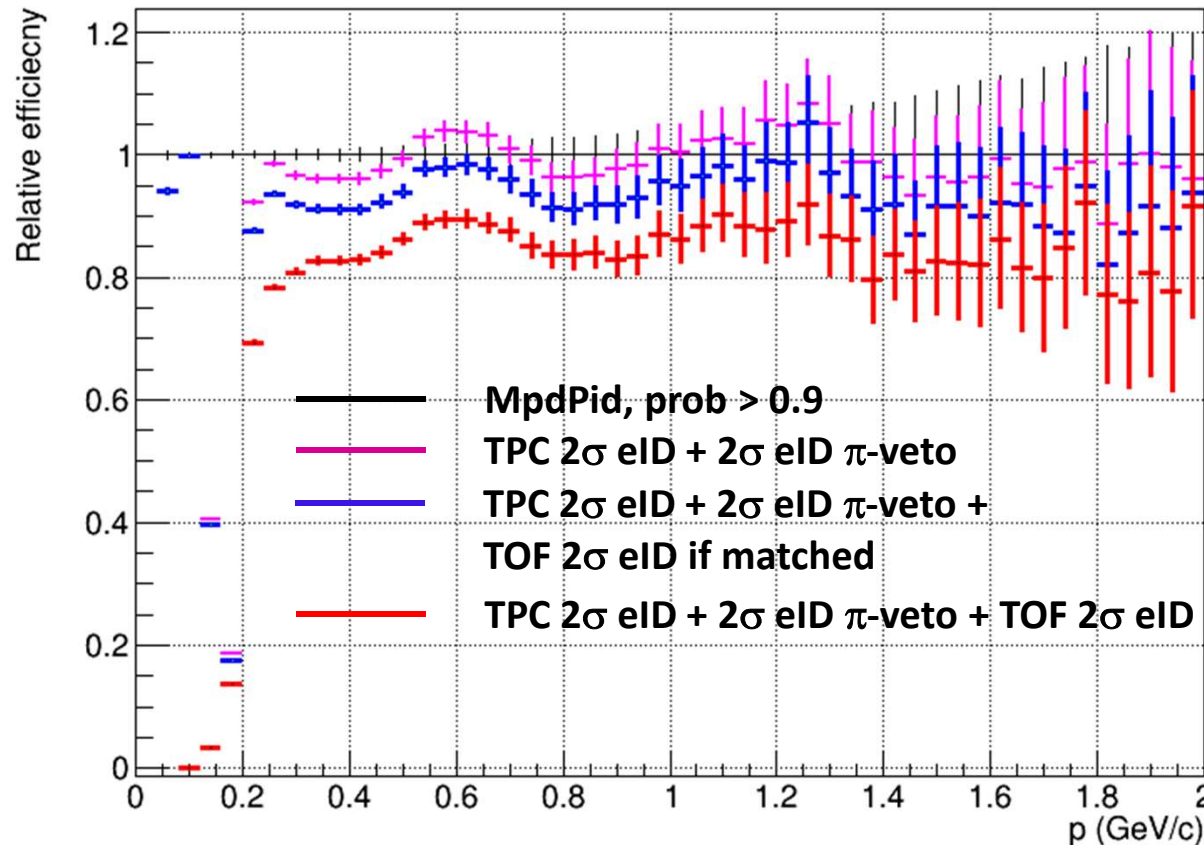
# Electron purity, same + $2\sigma$ TPC-PID $\pi$ -veto



- $2\sigma$  TPC-PID  $\pi$ -veto improves purity as expected
- Option TPC && TPF eID +  $2\sigma$  TPC-PID  $\pi$ -veto provides the needed purity
- At what cost?

# Relative efficiency

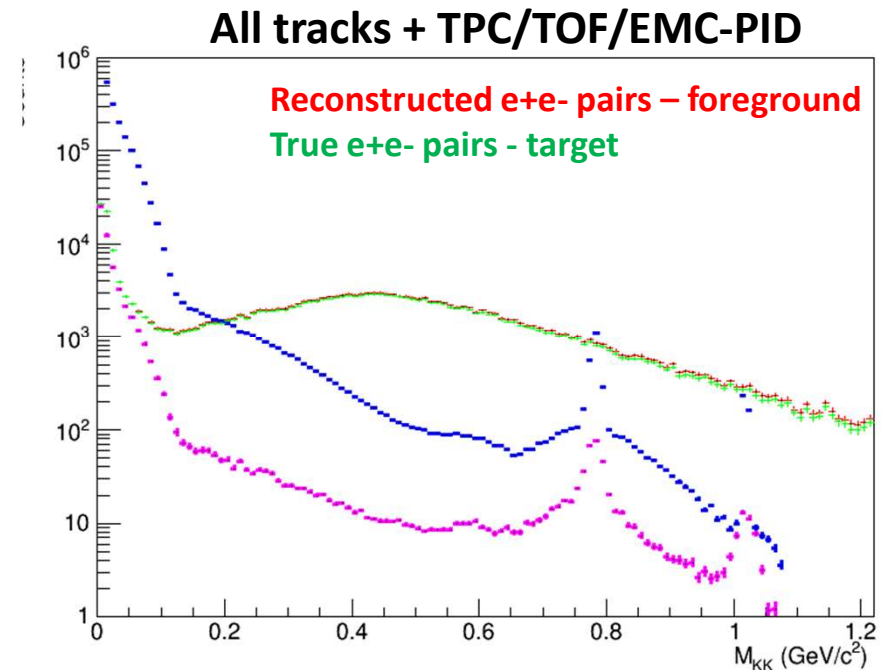
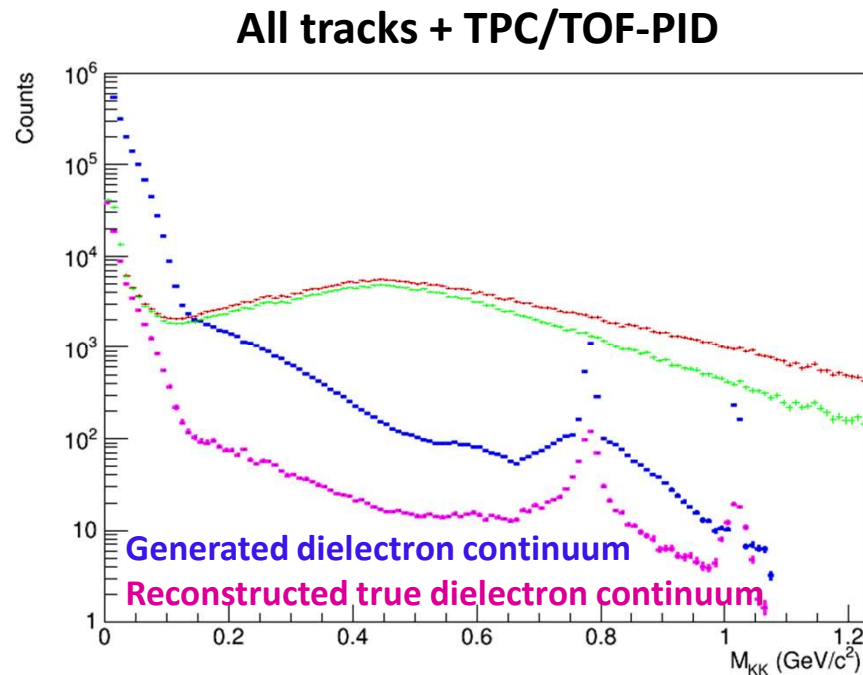
- Electron reconstruction efficiency with respect to default MpdPid + EMC eID option, see red curve in slide 10



- Efficiency rapidly drops at  $p_T < 250$  MeV/c and at  $p_T < 100$  MeV/c the reconstruction efficiency becomes critically small ( $\sim$  a percent)
- Some fine tuning is possible by changing width of the  $\pi$  veto cut
- High signal purity is achievable at the cost of lower efficiency, especially at  $p_T < 200$  MeV/c

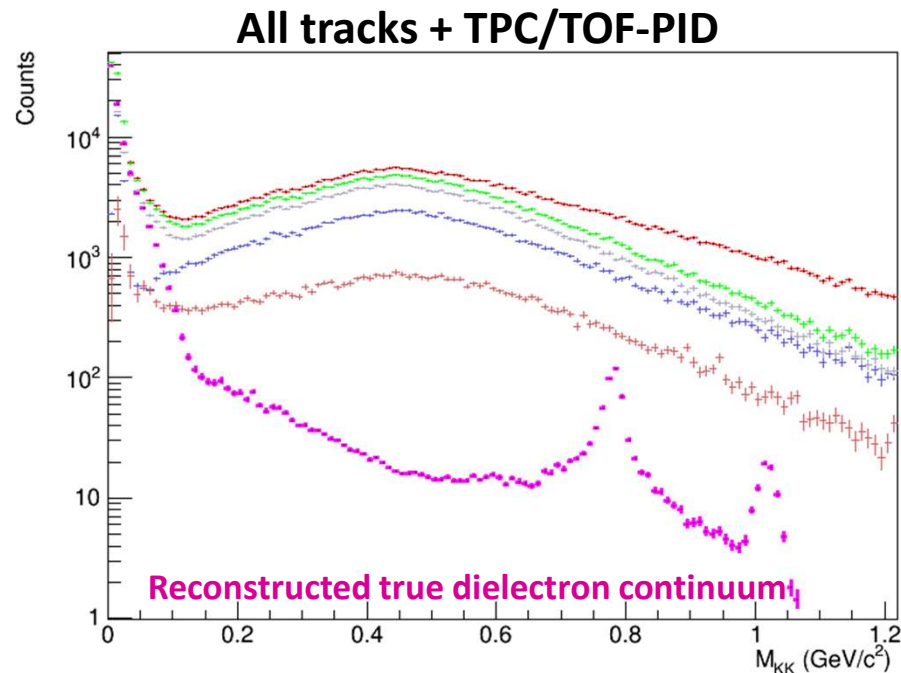


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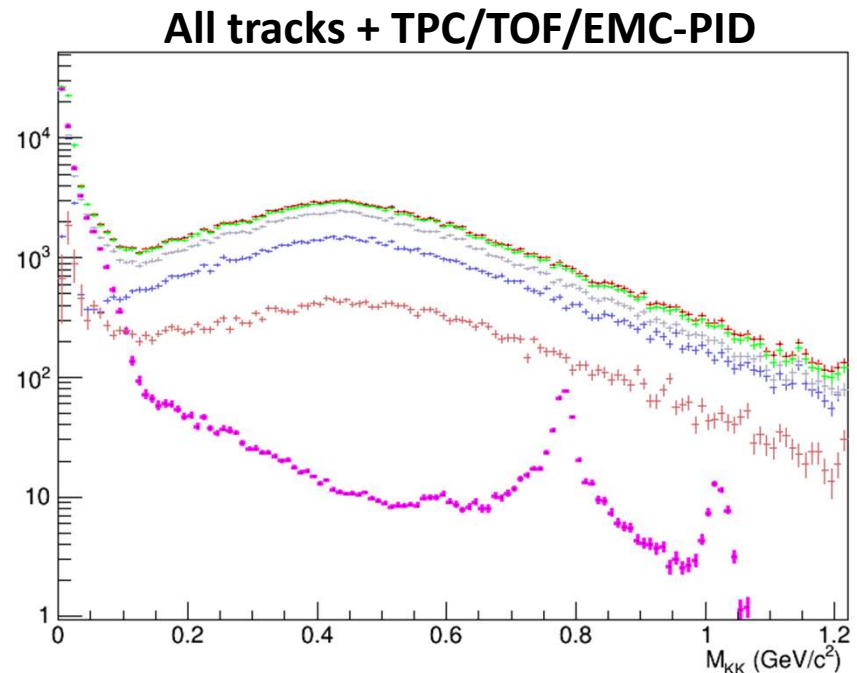


- Hadron contamination at low momentum is largely suppressed
- Effective hadron suppression at high  $p_T$  or mass is possible only with EMC-PID
- With the achieved electron purity ( $> 95\%$ ) most of the measured signal are true  $e^+e^-$  pairs from different sources, even at low momentum

# Dielectron spectra, sources of pairs



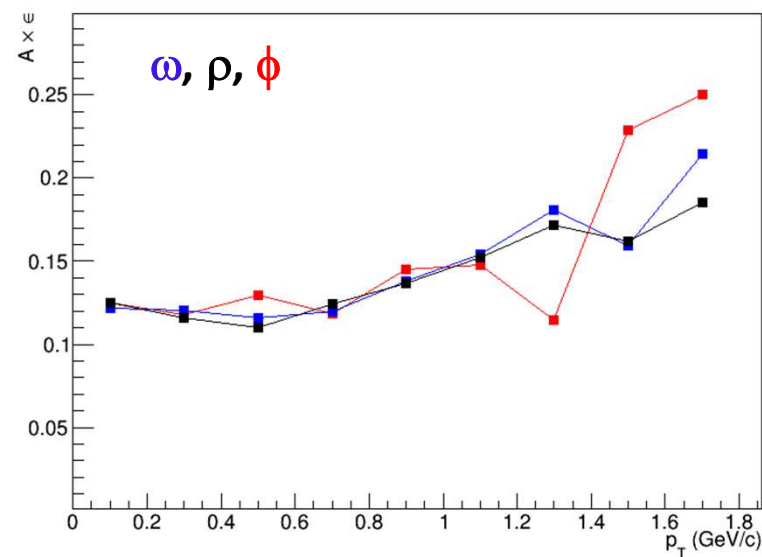
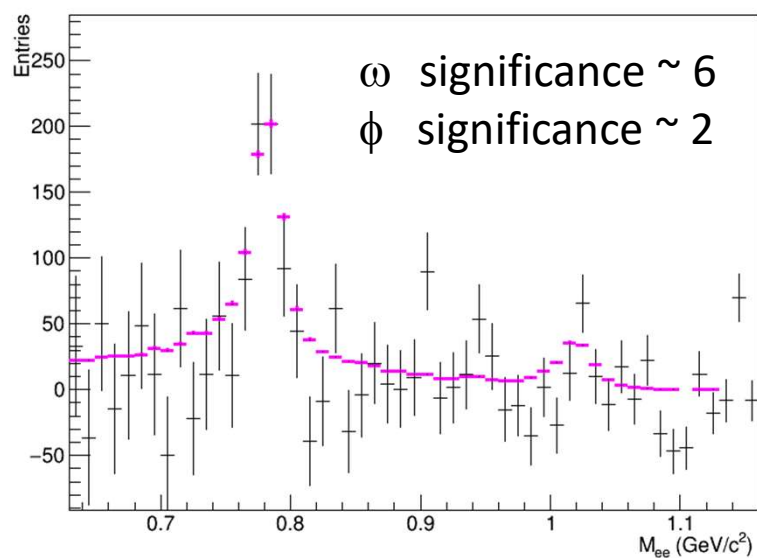
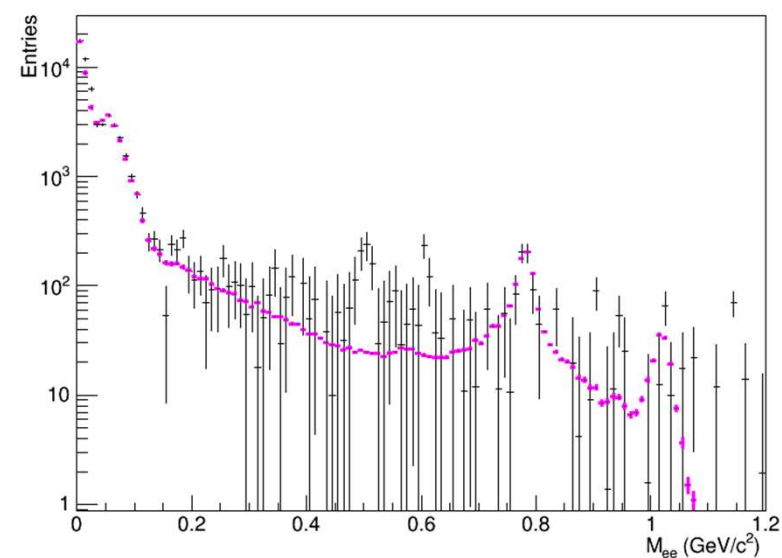
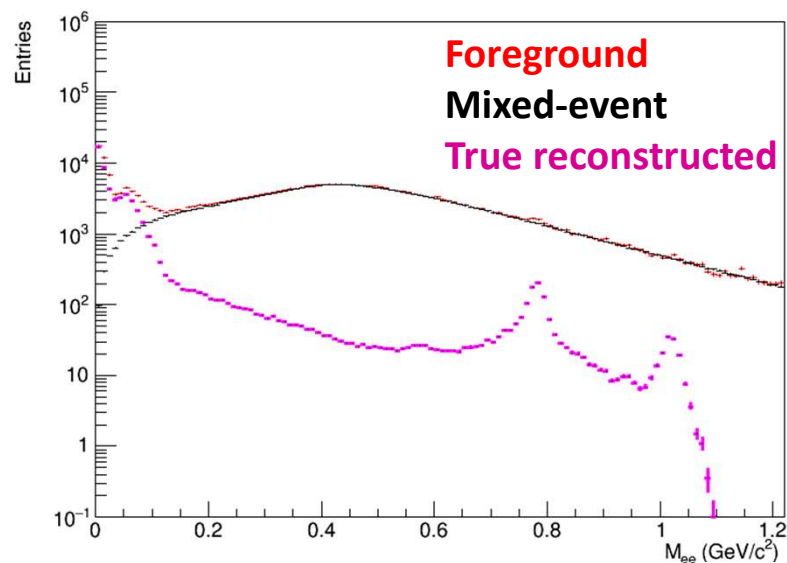
Reconstructed e+e- pairs – foreground  
 True e+e- pairs – target  
 Pairs with at least one  $\pi^0$  Dalitz electron



Pairs with at least one conversion electron  
 Pairs with at least one  $\eta$  Dalitz electron

- The dominant source of dielectron pairs – Dalitz decays of  $\pi^0$ , mostly irreducible
- The second main source of pairs – conversion electrons:
  - ✓ contribution can be reduced by analysis cuts → subject of further studies ...
- The third main source of pairs – Dalitz decays of  $\eta$ , mostly irreducible
  - The dominant sources of combinatorial background are irreducible

# Current status, work in progress ....



- $\sim 10\text{M}$  events

# Conclusions

- The first large MC production is done and is ready to be used for different analyses
- Some technical problems need to be resolved (width of resonances, Dalitz decays etc.) for the future Geant 4 production(s)
- High purity of the electron sample ( $> 95\%$ ) can be achieved at the expense of somewhat lower efficiency by using TPC/TOF/ECAL
- The lowest- $p_T$  reach is  $\sim 100\text{-}150\text{ MeV}/c$  at purity  $> 95\%$ , efficiency rapidly drops
- High purity at  $p_T > 500\text{ MeV}/c$  can be achieved only with the ECAL
- The main source of  $e^+e^-$  pairs is  $\pi^0$  Dalitz decays, practically irreducible
- Extra studies are needed to suppress background from conversions