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Software method of determination of the event collision time with the ToF detector of the MPD at the NICA

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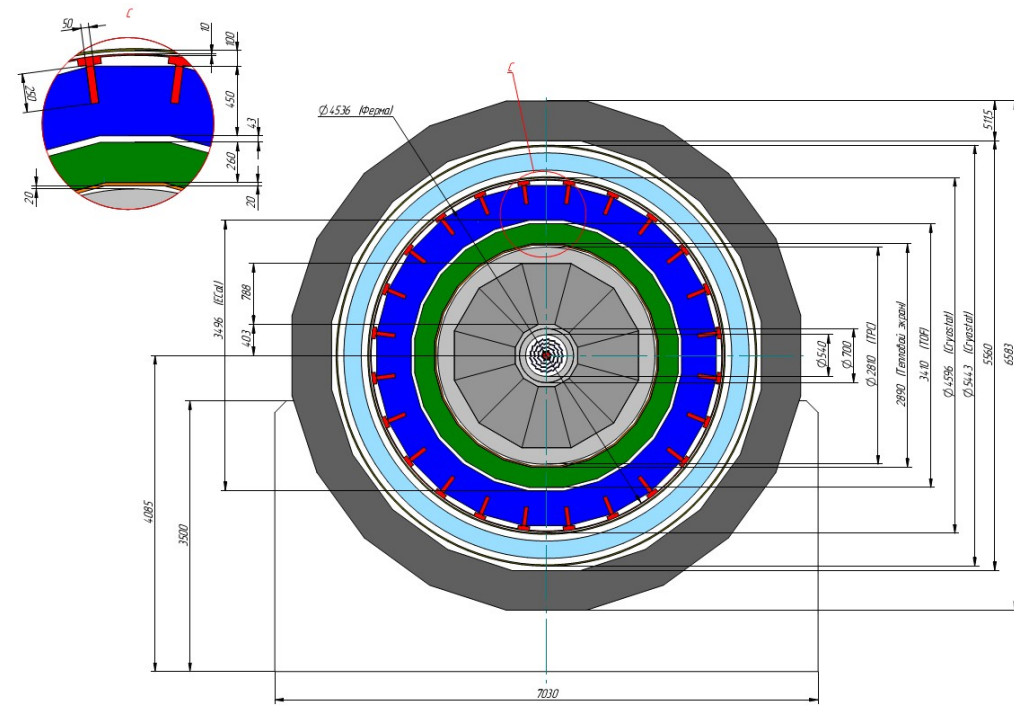
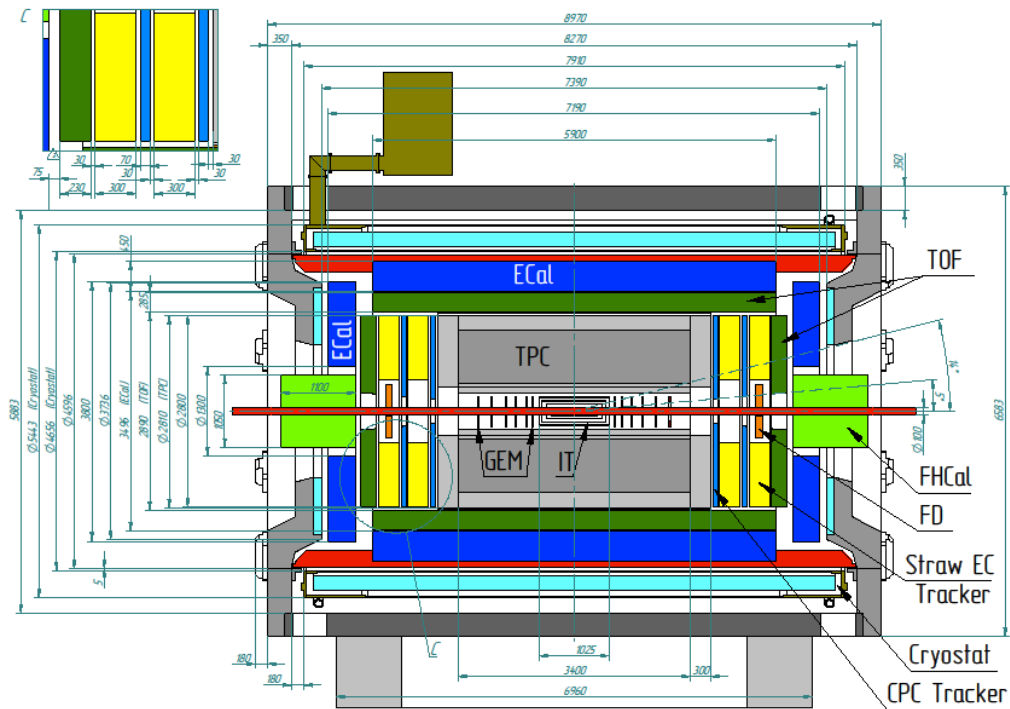
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Outline: presented results

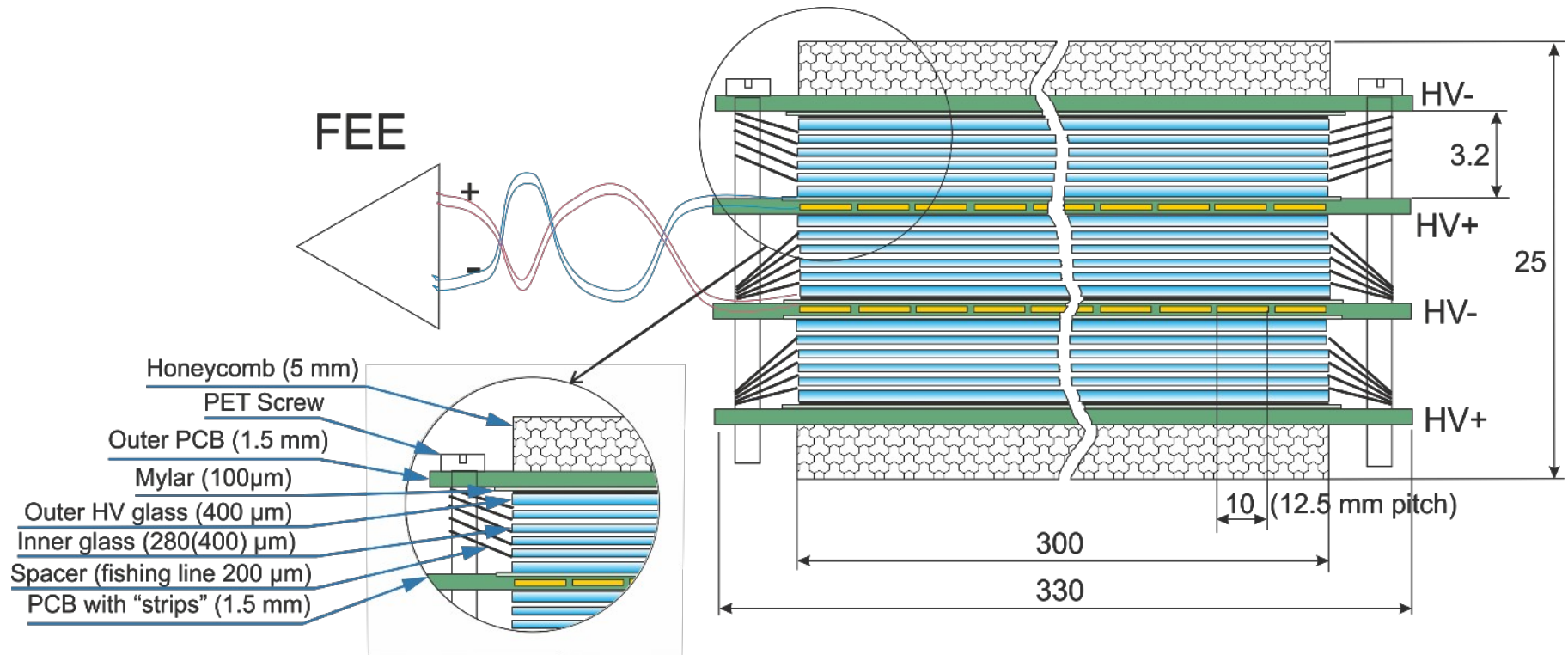
This talk presents an overview of the software method of determination of the event collision time by ToF detector of the MPD at the NICA.

- 1) MPD and TOF detectors.
- 2) MC simulation of gold nuclei collisions and data reconstruction.
- 3) Event and track selection.
- 4) Event collision time measurement performed by the TOF detector.
- 5) Results:
 - a) Efficiency of the determination of the event collision time;
 - b) Resolution of the event collision time;
 - c) Effect of the event collision time resolution on the PID performance.

MPD and TOF detectors

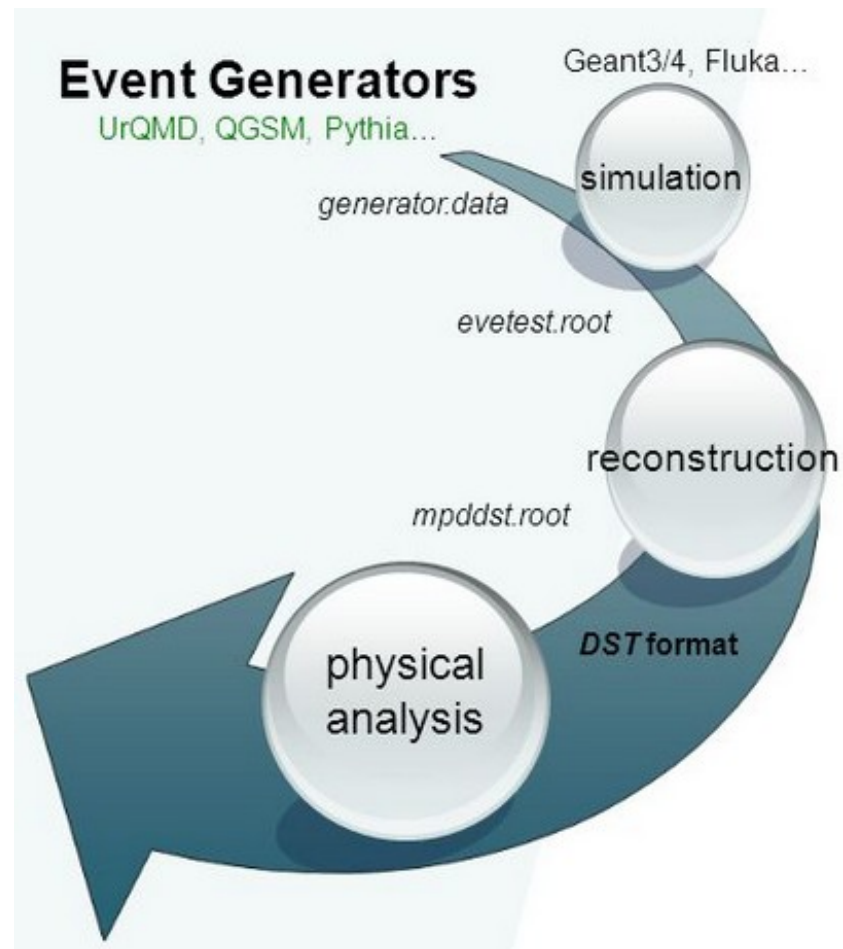


MPD and TOF detectors



MC simulation of gold nuclei collisions and data reconstruction

- GEANT-3, LAQGSM generator, collision data and new MpdTofHitProducer with event time for runMC.C
- reco.C
- Software method of determination of the event collision time by the ToF



Event and track selection

- 1) The particle must hit the TOF detector.
 - 2) Tracks must have a primary vertex. Also, events with multiple reconstructed vertices are rejected.
 - 3) Since the event collision time is a measurement that is needed to identify particles by means of the time-of-flight technique performed by the TOF detector, only events with a minimum number of tracks associated with hitting the TOF detector are selected.
 - 4) Ions and photons are rejected.
- Since the bunches have a small but finite size and it is not known which of the particles in the bunches have collided, the event collision time has a natural spread with respect to the nominal beam crossing. Therefore, an event collision time has to be measured on an event-by-event basis.

Event collision time measurement performed by the TOF detector

For each track from the each interval $t_{\text{exp},i}^j$, $\sigma t_{\text{exp},i}^j$ and then the weight W_i^j are estimated:

$$m_{\text{proposed}}^2 = p^2 \cdot \left| \left(\frac{t \cdot c}{L} \right)^2 - 1 \right|; \quad j=1, \dots, N_{\text{interval}} \quad \vec{m}_{j,i} = m_1, m_2, \dots, m_{n_{\text{tracks}}^j}$$

$$t_{\text{exp},i}^j = \frac{\sqrt{(m_i^j)^2 \cdot c^2 + (p_i^j)^2}}{p_i^j \cdot c} \cdot L_i^j \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma t_{\text{exp},i}^j = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial t_{\text{exp},i}^j}{\partial p_i^j} \right)^2 \cdot (\sigma p_i^j)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial t_{\text{exp},i}^j}{\partial L_i^j} \right)^2 \cdot (\sigma L_i^j)^2} \\ \left(\frac{\partial t_{\text{exp},i}^j}{\partial p_i^j} \right) = \frac{L_i^j}{c} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{(p_i^j)^2 + (m_i^j)^2 \cdot c^2}} - \frac{\sqrt{(p_i^j)^2 + (m_i^j)^2 \cdot c^2}}{(p_i^j)^2} \right] = \left[\frac{L_i^j}{c} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{(p_i^j)^2 + (m_i^j)^2 \cdot c^2}} - \frac{1}{p_i^j} \cdot t_{\text{exp},i}^j \right] \\ \frac{\partial t_{\text{exp},i}^j}{\partial L_i^j} = \frac{\sqrt{(m_i^j)^2 \cdot c^2 + (p_i^j)^2}}{p_i^j \cdot c} = \frac{t_{\text{exp},i}^j}{L_i^j} \end{array} \right. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} W_i^j = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\sigma_{\text{TOF}})^2 + (\sigma t_{\text{exp},i}^j)^2}} \\ \sigma L_i^j = 1 \text{ cm} \ll 150 - 170 \text{ cm} \end{array} \right.$$

The event collision time, resolution of event collision time and χ^2 are then calculated from the following equations:

$$t_{\text{ev},i}^{\text{TOF } j}(\vec{m}_i^j) = \frac{\sum_{n_{\text{tracks}}^j} W_i^j \cdot (t_{\text{TOF}} - t_{\text{exp},i}^j)}{\sum_{n_{\text{tracks}}^j} W_i^j} \quad \sigma t_{\text{ev},i}^{\text{TOF } j}(\vec{m}_i^j) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{n_{\text{tracks}}^j} W_i^j}} \quad \chi_j^2(\vec{m}_i^j) = \sum_{n_{\text{tracks}}^j} \frac{(t_{\text{TOF}} - t_{\text{ev},i}^{\text{TOF } j} - t_{\text{exp},i}^j)^2}{(\sigma_{\text{TOF}})^2 + (\sigma t_{\text{exp},i}^j)^2}$$

Event collision time measurement performed by the TOF detector

Now $\tilde{t}_{ev}^{TOF, \tilde{j}}$ and $\tilde{\sigma}t_{ev}^{TOF, \tilde{j}}$ are recalculated for each interval using only tracks belonging to other intervals.

$$\tilde{t}_{ev}^{TOF, \tilde{j}} = \frac{\sum_{j=1 \wedge j \neq \tilde{j}}^{N_{interval}} t_{ev}^{TOF, j} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\chi_j^2}\right)}{\sum_{j=1 \wedge j \neq \tilde{j}}^{N_{interval}} \left(\frac{1}{\chi_j^2}\right)}$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}t_{ev}^{TOF, \tilde{j}} = \frac{\sum_{j=1 \wedge j \neq \tilde{j}}^{N_{interval}} \sigma t_{ev}^{TOF, j} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\chi_j^2}\right)}{\sum_{j=1 \wedge j \neq \tilde{j}}^{N_{interval}} \left(\frac{1}{\chi_j^2}\right)}$$

$$\tilde{W}_{\tilde{j}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1 \wedge j \neq \tilde{j}}^{N_{interval}} \left(\frac{1}{\chi_j^2}\right)}} \quad \tilde{j} = 1, \dots, N_{interval}$$

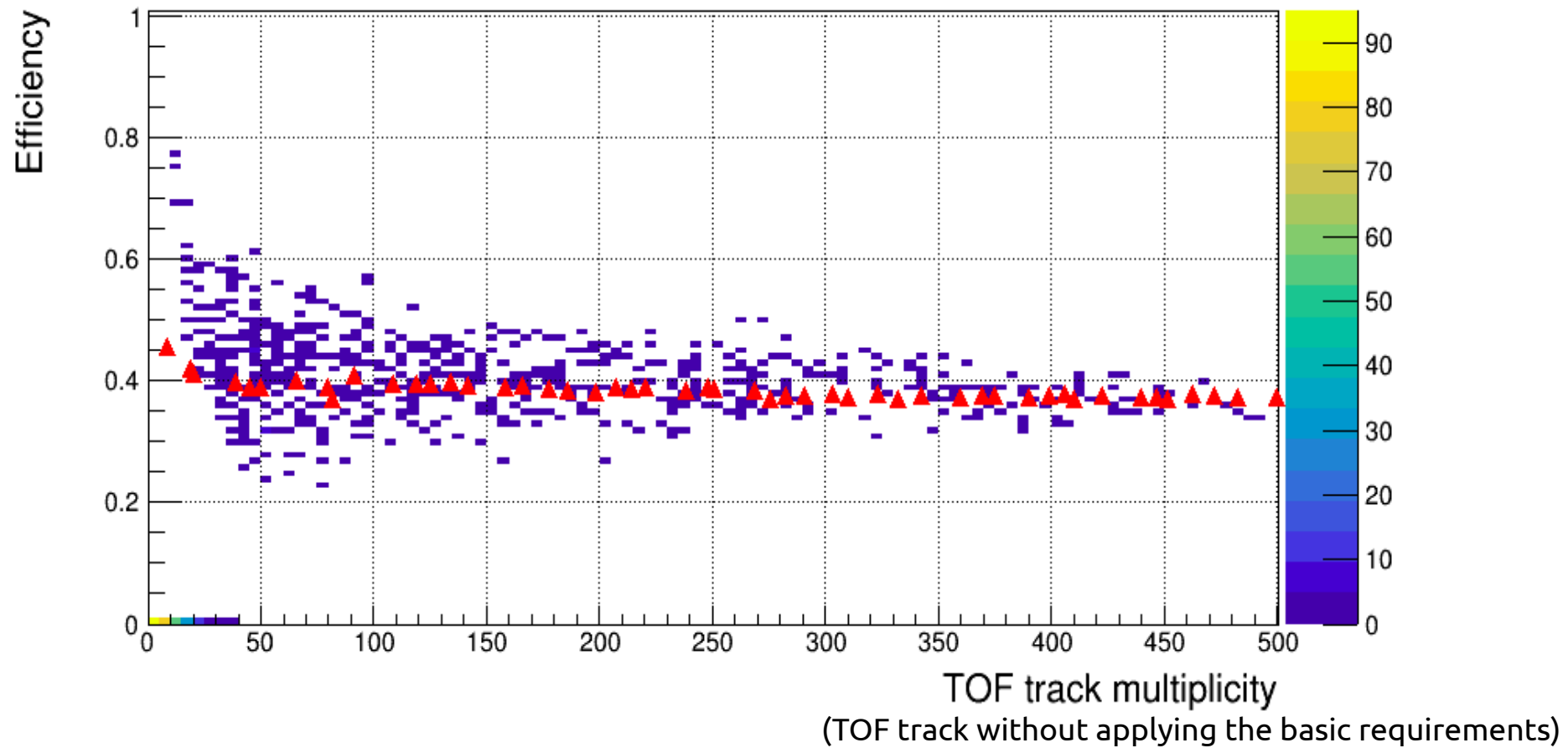
Finally, we find the weighted averages of t_{ev}^{TOF} and σt_{ev}^{TOF} .

$$t_{ev}^{TOF} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N_{interval}} \tilde{t}_{ev}^{TOF, \tilde{j}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{W}_{\tilde{j}}}\right)}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_{interval}} \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{W}_{\tilde{j}}}\right)}$$

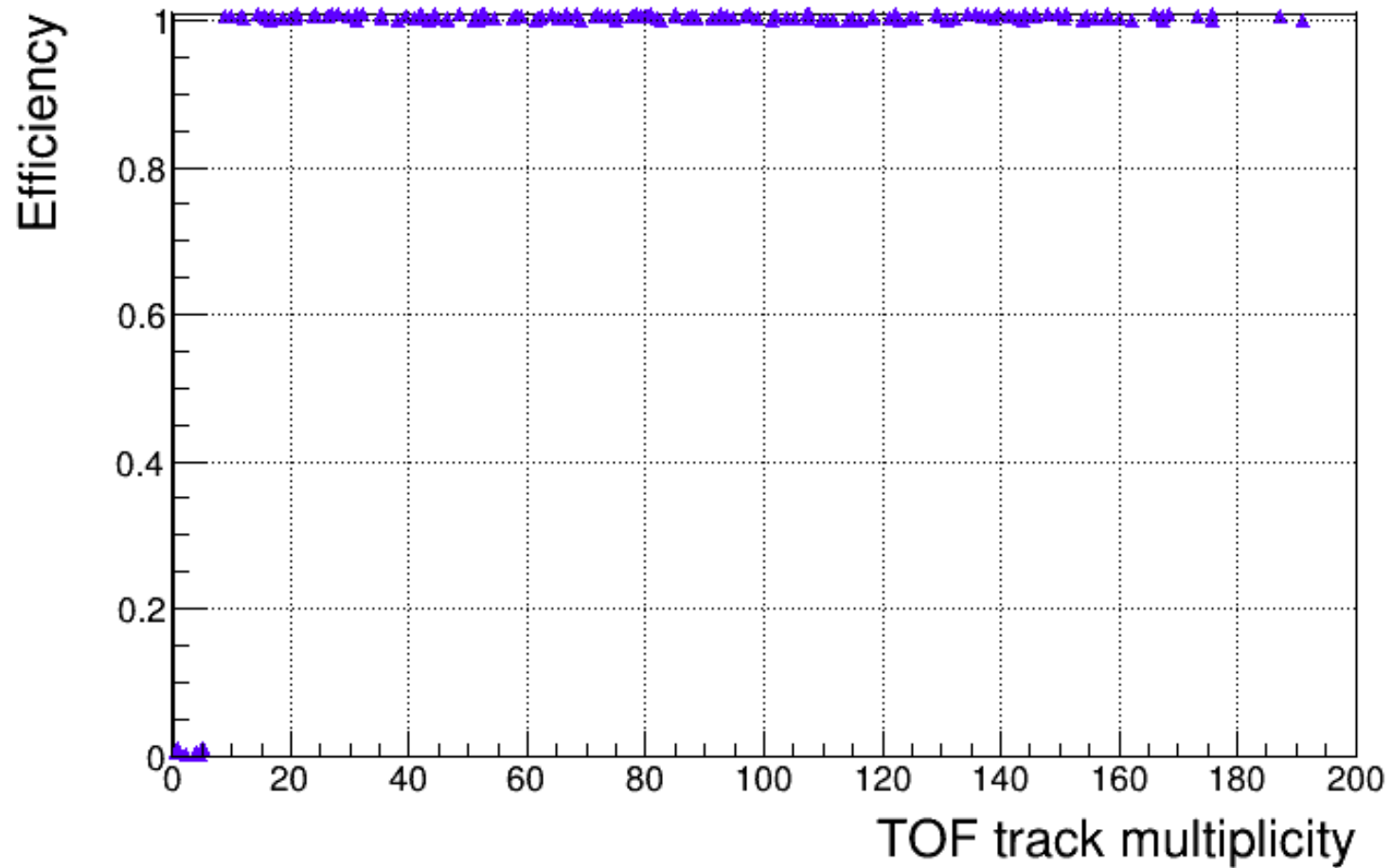
$$\sigma t_{ev}^{TOF} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N_{interval}} \tilde{\sigma}t_{ev}^{TOF, \tilde{j}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{W}_{\tilde{j}}}\right)}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_{interval}} \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{W}_{\tilde{j}}}\right)}$$

$$\sigma t_{ev}^{TOF} \sim \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_{tracks}^j}}$$

Results: Efficiency of the determination of the event collision time

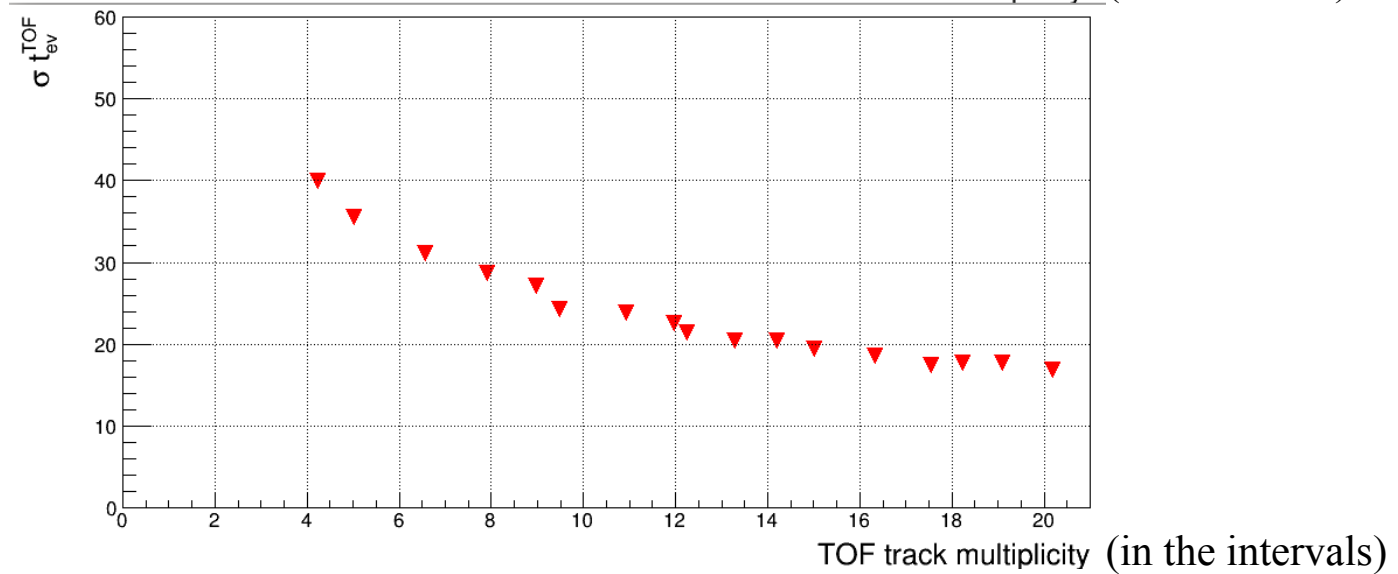
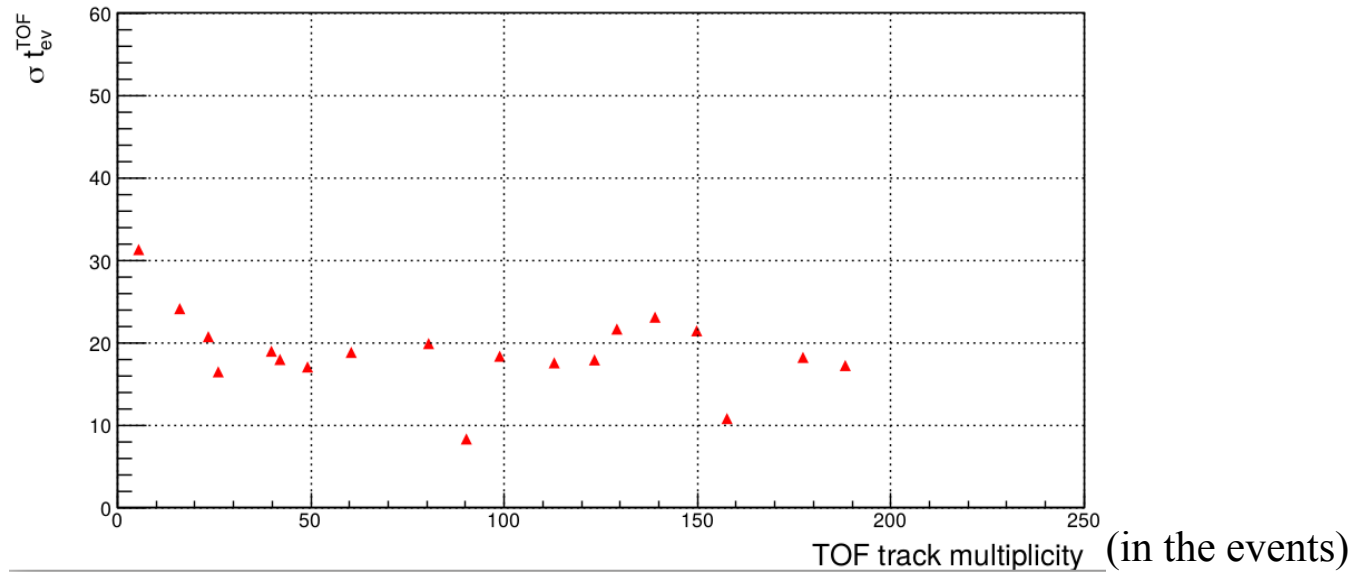


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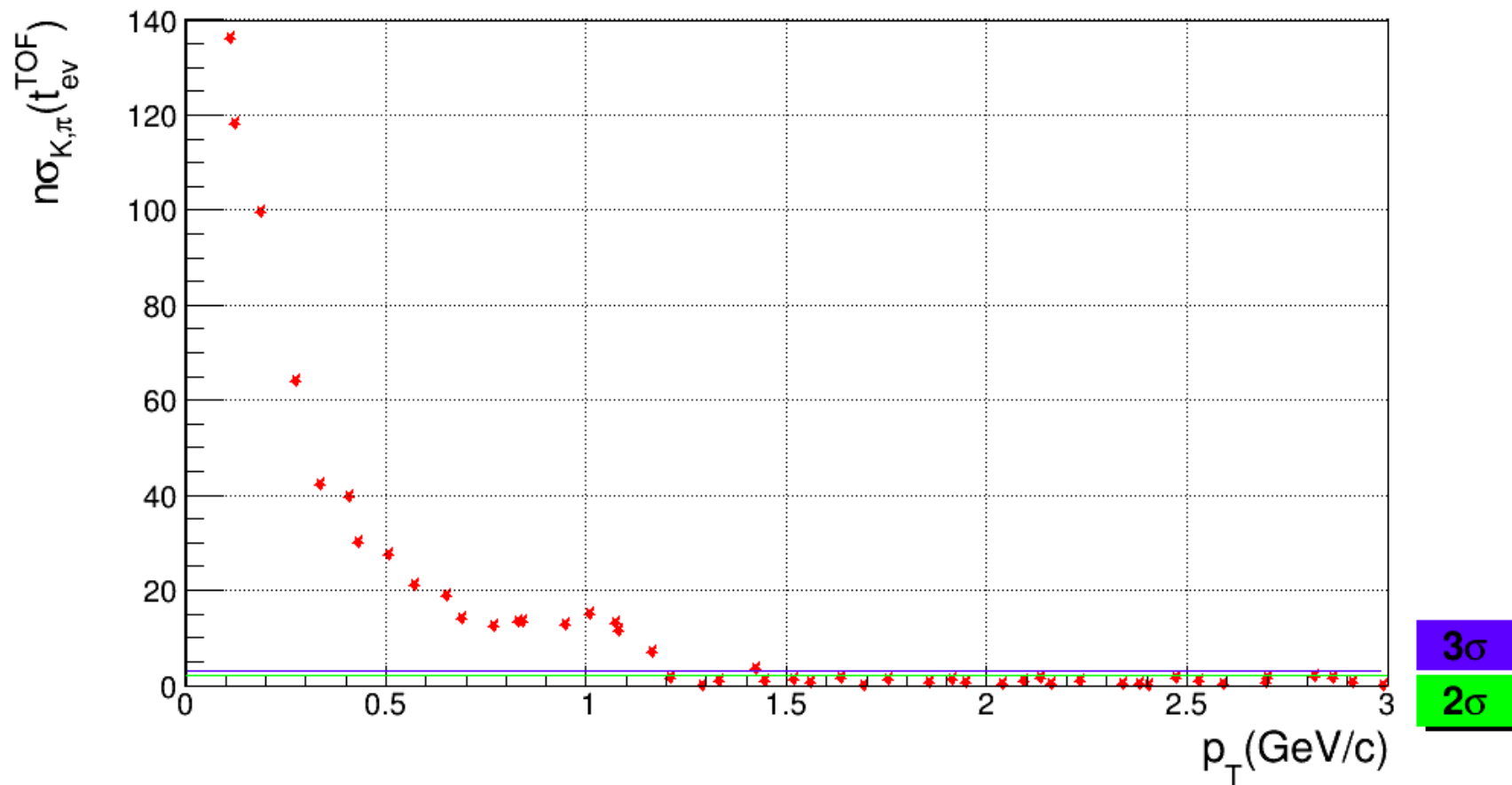
(TOF track with applying the basic requirements)

Results: Resolution of the event collision time



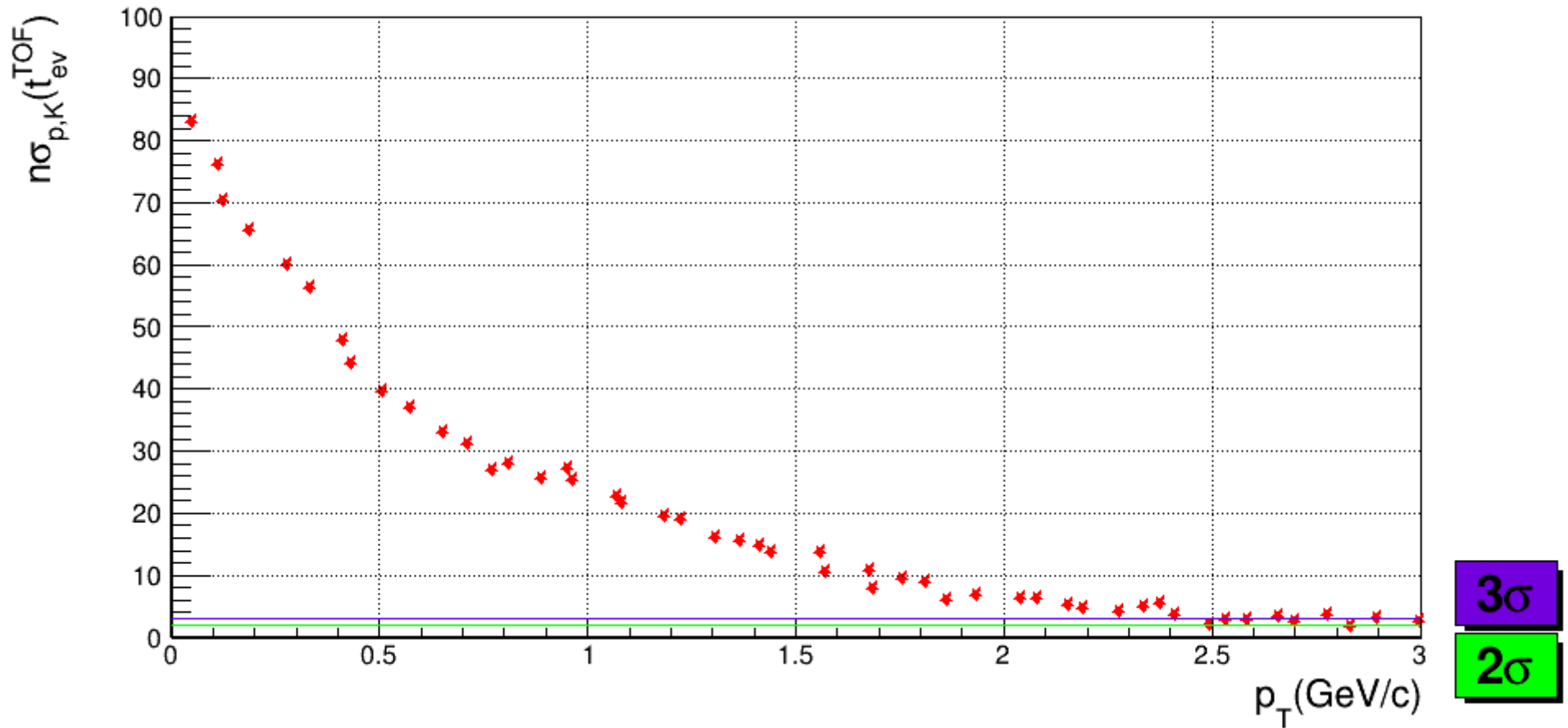
Results: Effect of the event collision time resolution on the PID performance

$$\sigma_{PID}^2 = \sigma_{TOF}^2 + \sigma_{t_{ev}^{TOF}}^2 + \sigma_{t_{exp}}^2 \quad n \sigma_{TOF} = \frac{t_{TOF} - t_{ev} - t_{exp}}{\sigma_{PID}} \quad n \sigma_{i,j}(t_{ev}^{TOF}) = \frac{t_{exp,i} - t_{exp,j}}{\sigma_{PID,j}}(t_{ev}^{TOF}) \quad i, j = \pi, K, p$$



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