

# dE/dx studies for particle identification in SPD

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# Outline

1. Introduction
2. Impact of experimental  $dE$  measurement error on  $dE/dx$  resolution.
3.  $dE/dx$  for tracks with different values of  $\theta$ .

# Truncated mean $dE/dx$ method

- For each track:
  - $dE/dx$  is calculated for each hit of the track;
  - 35% of the highest values of  $dE/dx$  are rejected;
  - Mean of the remaining values is calculated («truncated mean  $dE/dx$ »).
- Mean and sigma of the distribution of the truncated mean  $dE/dx$  are parameterized for each particle type ( $\pi$ ,  $K$ ,  $p$ ) as function of momentum and [sigma] number of hits of the track.
- Based on these values, likelihoods are calculated.

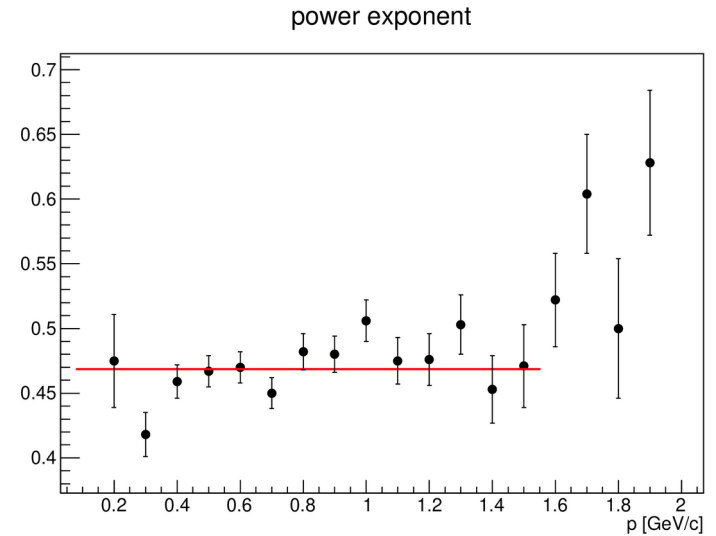
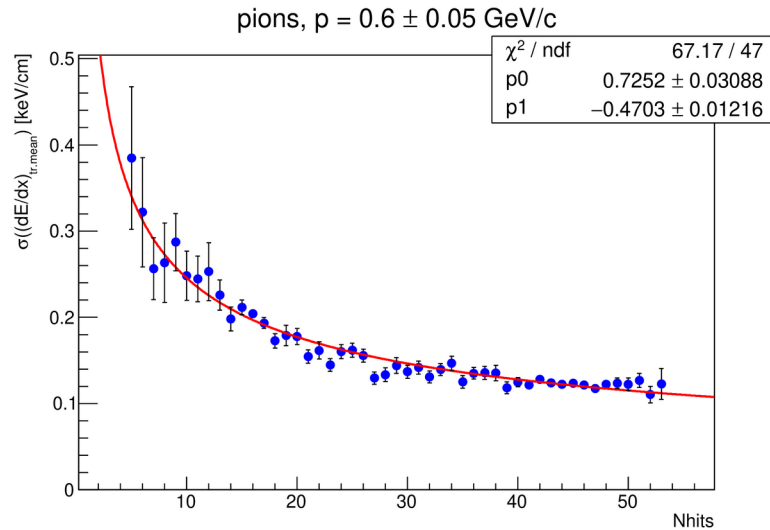
# Notes

- Currently MC values are used for dE and dx.
- Momentum is calculated as  $p = \frac{p_{first\ state} + p_{last\ state}}{2}$ , where  $p_{first\ state}$  and  $p_{last\ state}$  are momentum values from the fit in the first and in the last point (hit) of the track.
- Parameterisations in SpdRoot were last updated in April 2022.

# $\sigma$ dependency on number of hits

- $\sigma \sim 1/\sqrt{N_{hits}}$  - to be checked again

Plots from my presentation in March 2022:



# Note on geometry

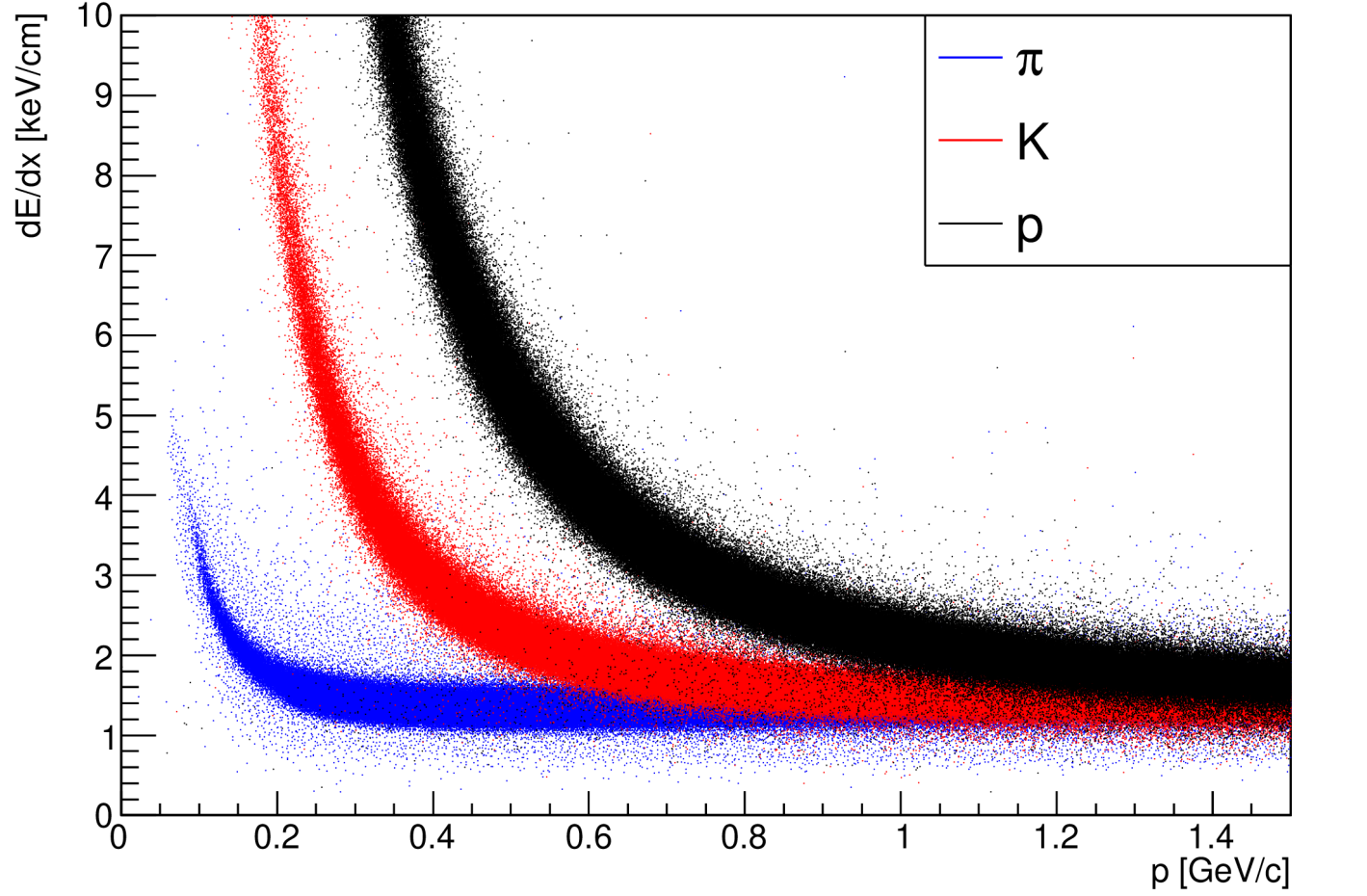
- During this study, I noticed that I have made a mistake in Straw Tracker Endcap geometry description:

central gap was  $2*150$  mm instead of 150 mm.

# Impact of experimental error of dE measurement

- To estimate the impact of experimental error of dE measurement, in each straw hit MC dE value was smeared according to gaussian distribution with  $\sigma = 20\%$ .
- Distributions of truncated mean dE/dx vs momentum are compared without and with this additional smearing.
- Minimum bias sample, 2M events.
- The following cuts on track quality are applied:
  - convergency = 1;
  - $\chi^2/\text{ndf} < 4$ ;
  - N hits in ST  $\geq 3$ .

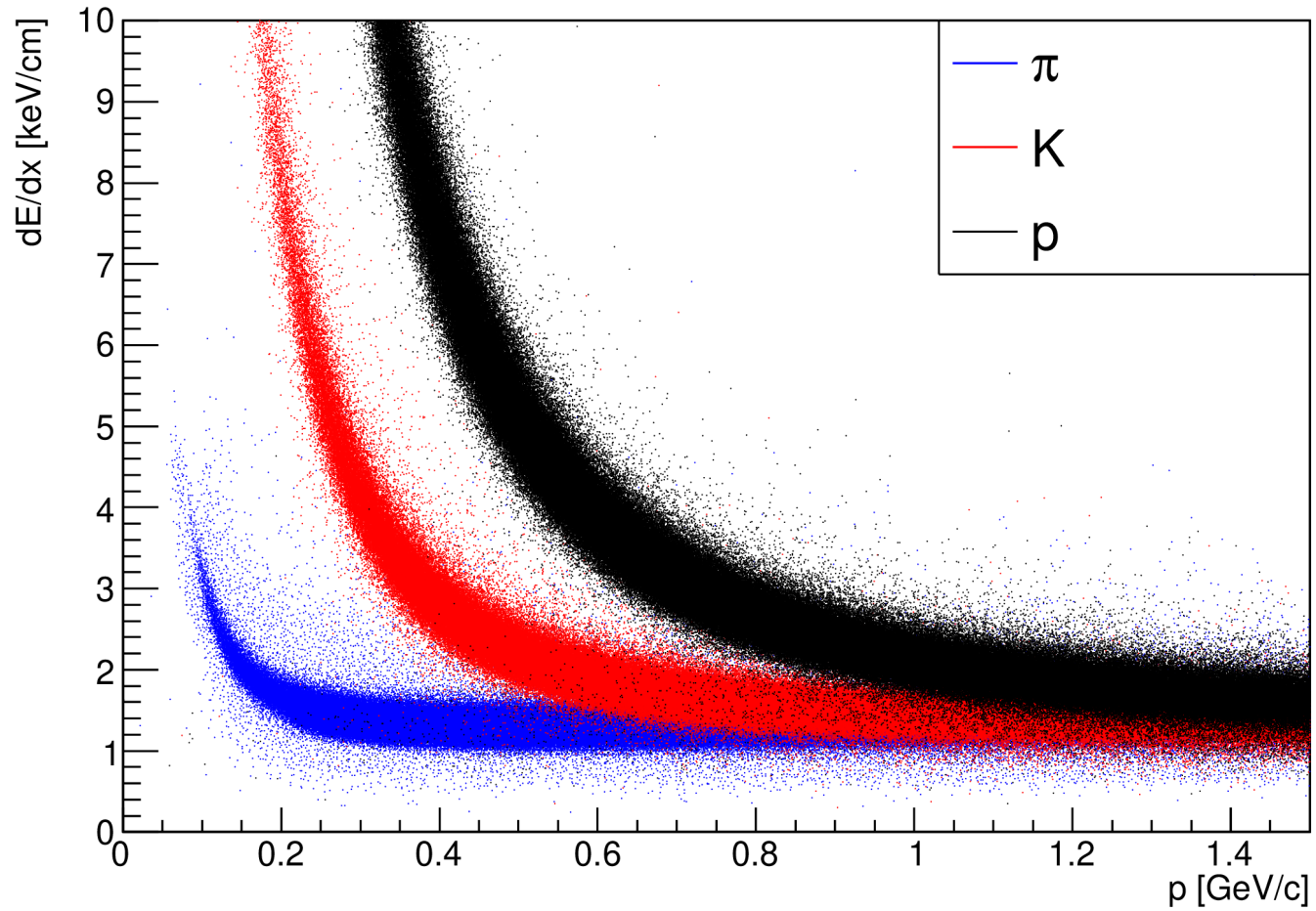
Trunc. mean dE/dx [MC]



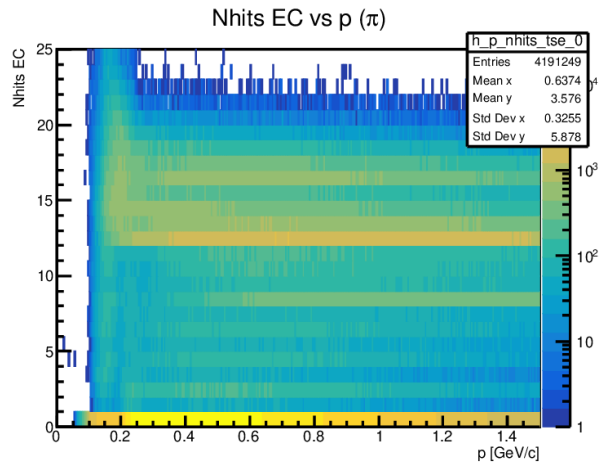
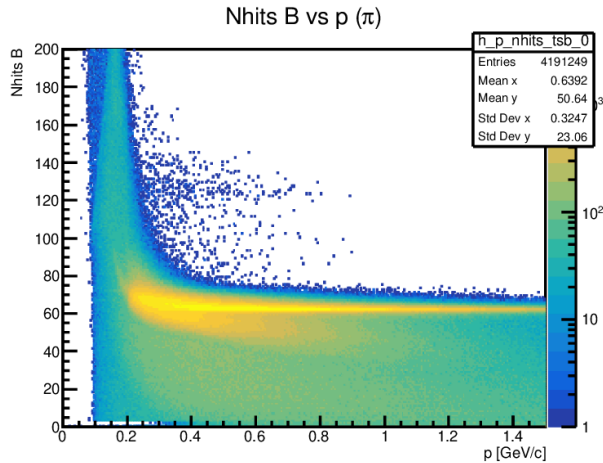
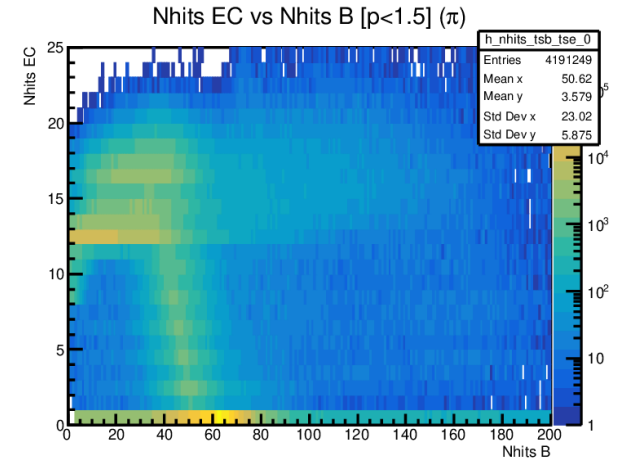
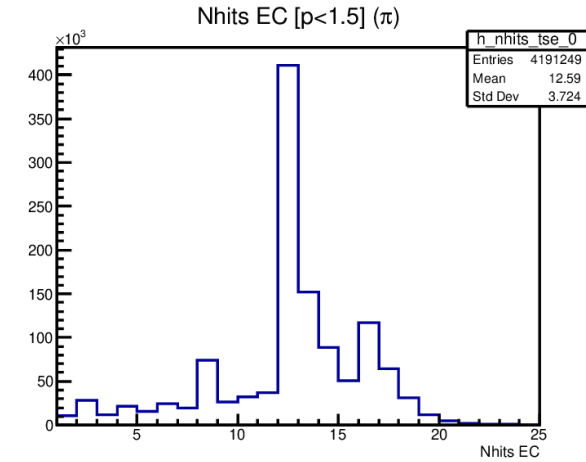
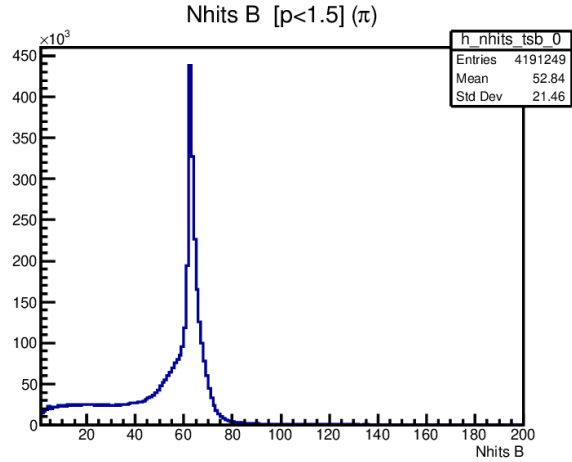
$$\left( p = \frac{p_{first\ state} + p_{last\ state}}{2} \right)$$



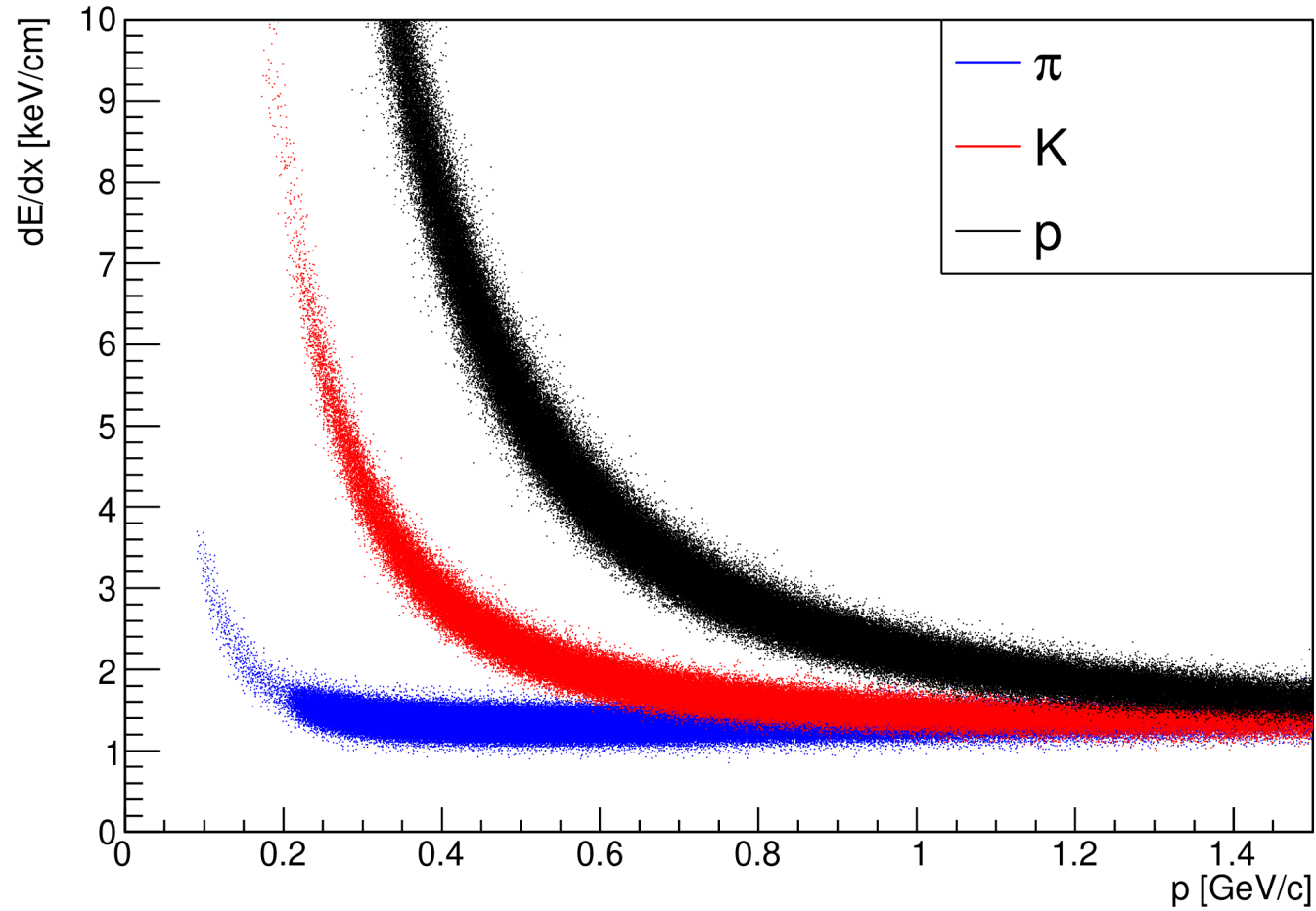
Trunc. mean  $dE/dx$  [error 20%]



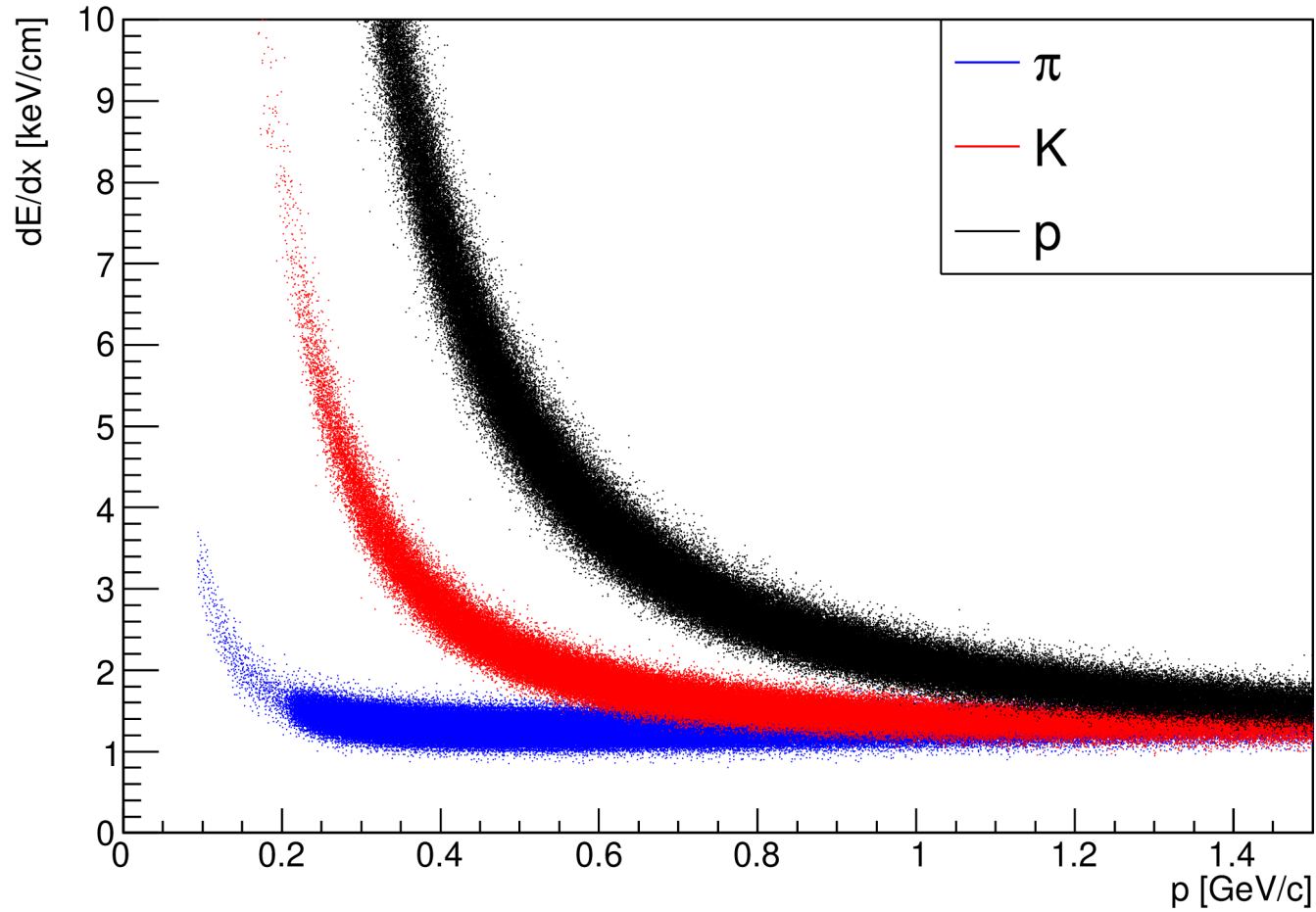
# Number of hits distributions



Trunc. mean dE/dx [MC] [NhitsB=62±3, NhitsEC=0]

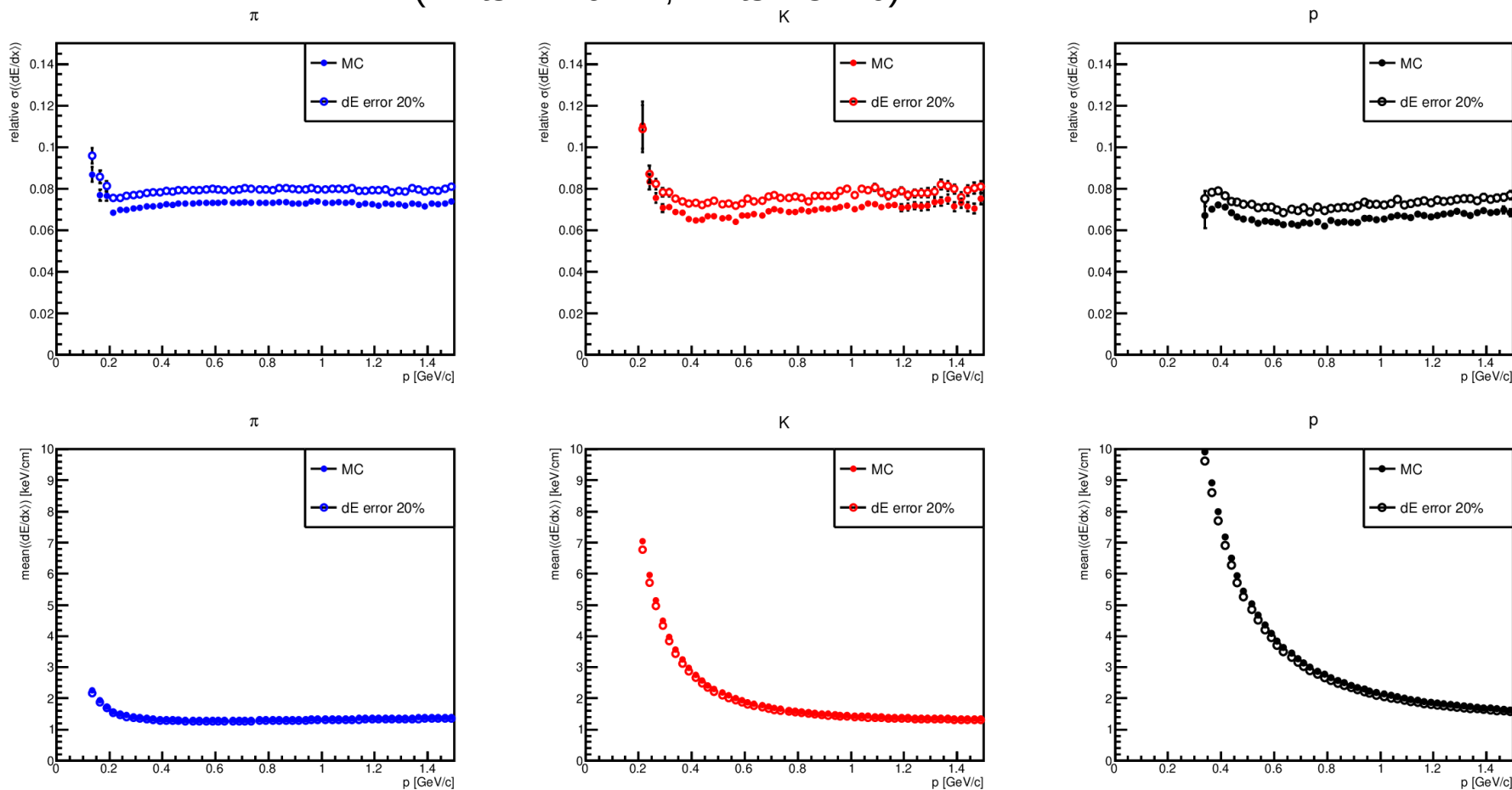


Trunc. mean  $dE/dx$  [error 20%] [NhitsB= $62 \pm 3$ , NhitsEC=0]



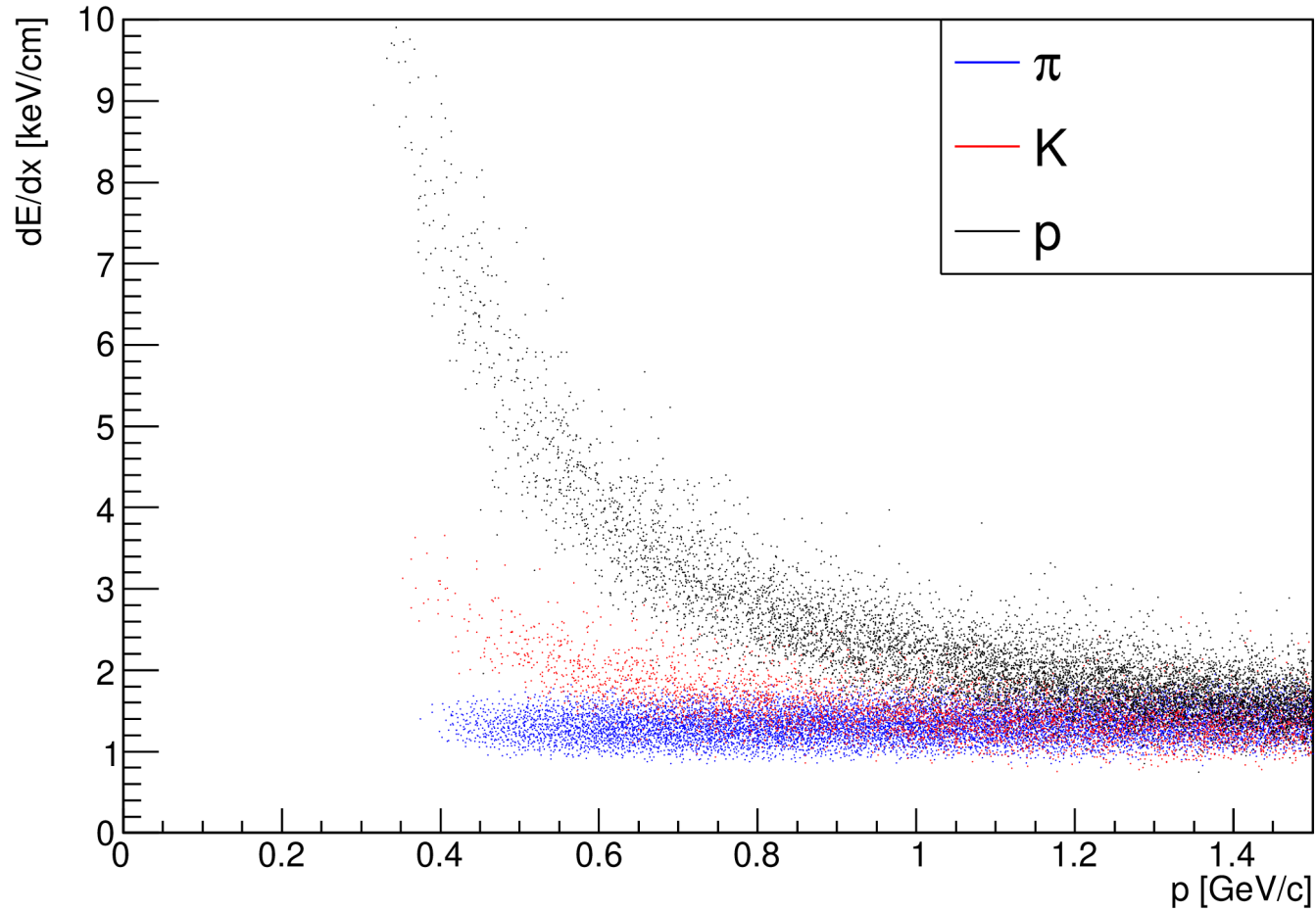
# Comparison of mean and relative sigma of truncated mean dE/dx

(Nhits B =  $62 \pm 2$ , Nhits EC = 0)

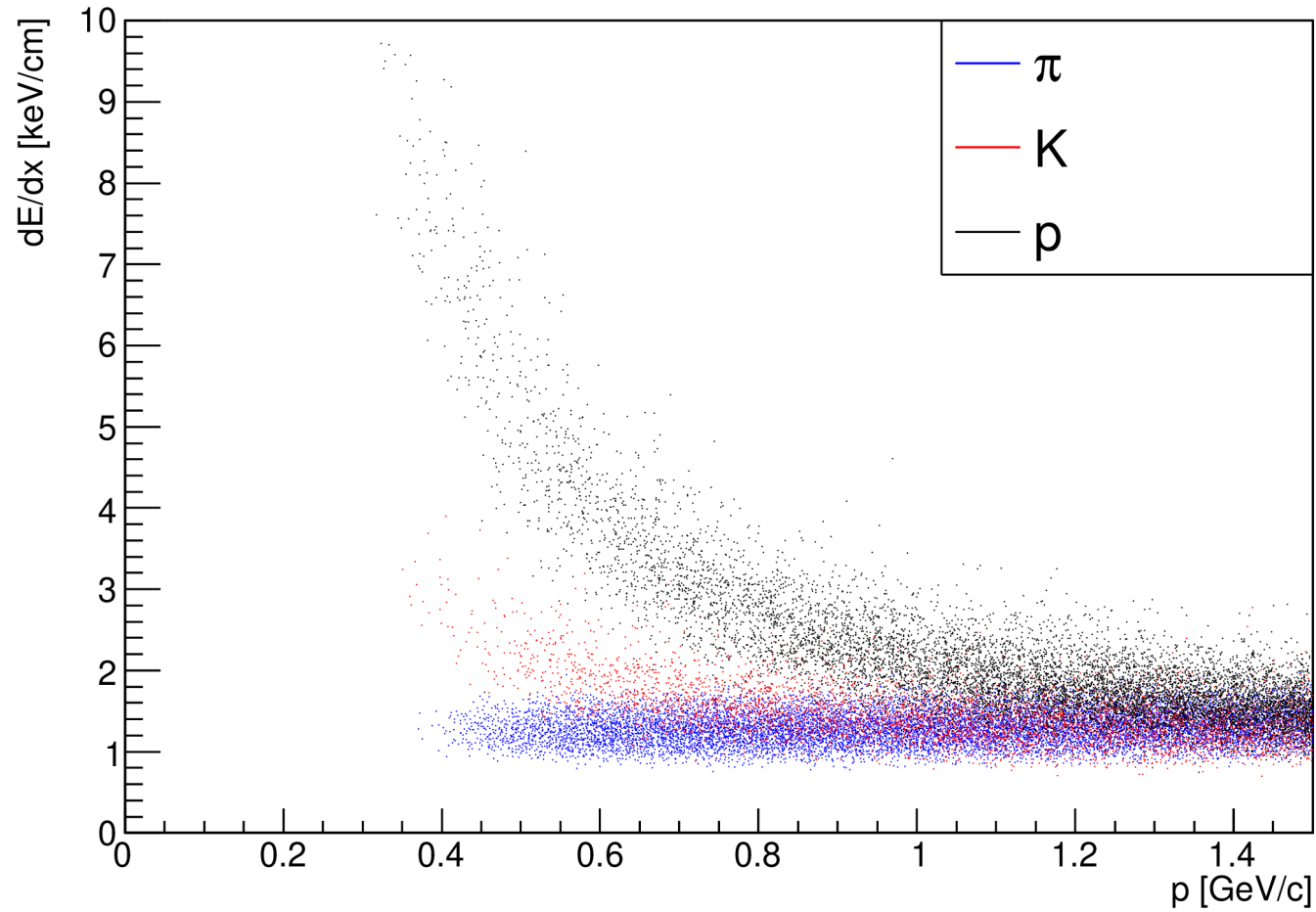


For pions sigma/mean changes from 7.3% to 8%; increase in 1.09 times.

Trunc. mean dE/dx [MC] [NhitsB=0, NhitsEC=12±2]

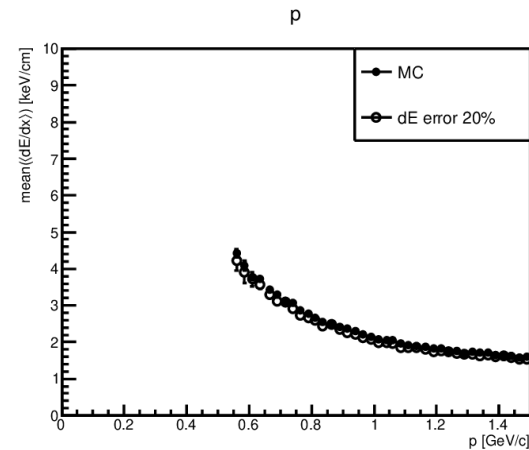
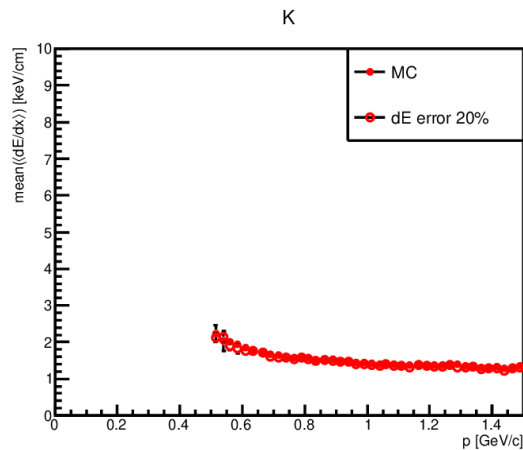
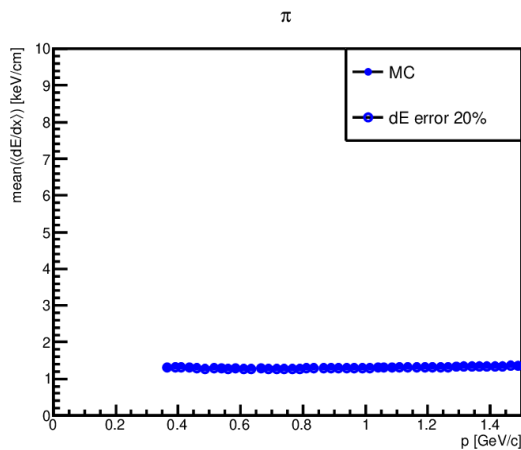
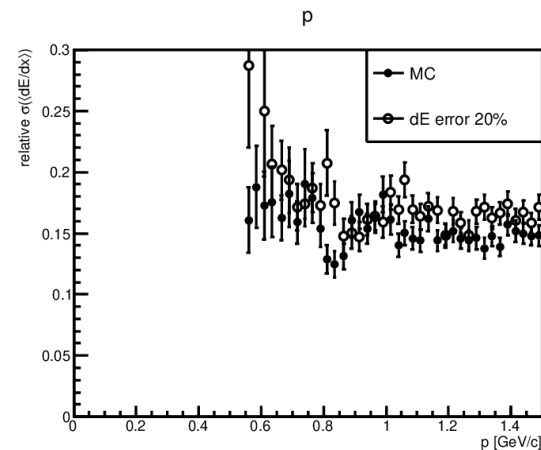
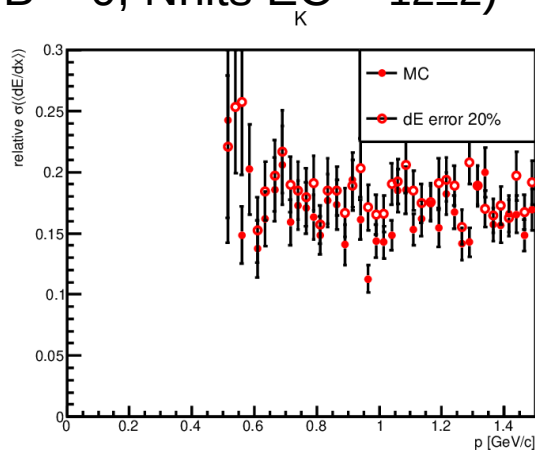
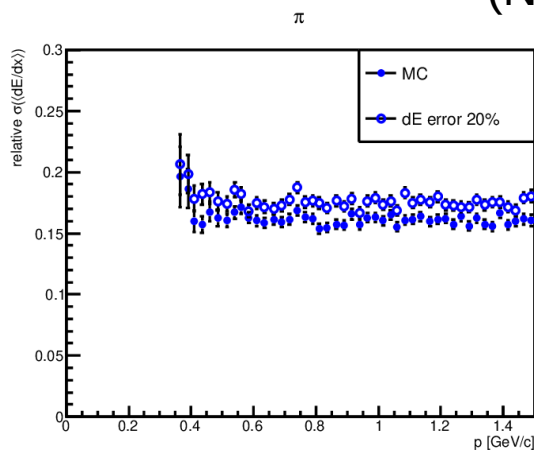


Trunc. mean dE/dx [error 20%] [NhitsB=0, NhitsEC=12±2]



# Comparison of mean and relative sigma of truncated mean dE/dx

(Nhits B = 0, Nhits EC = 12±2)



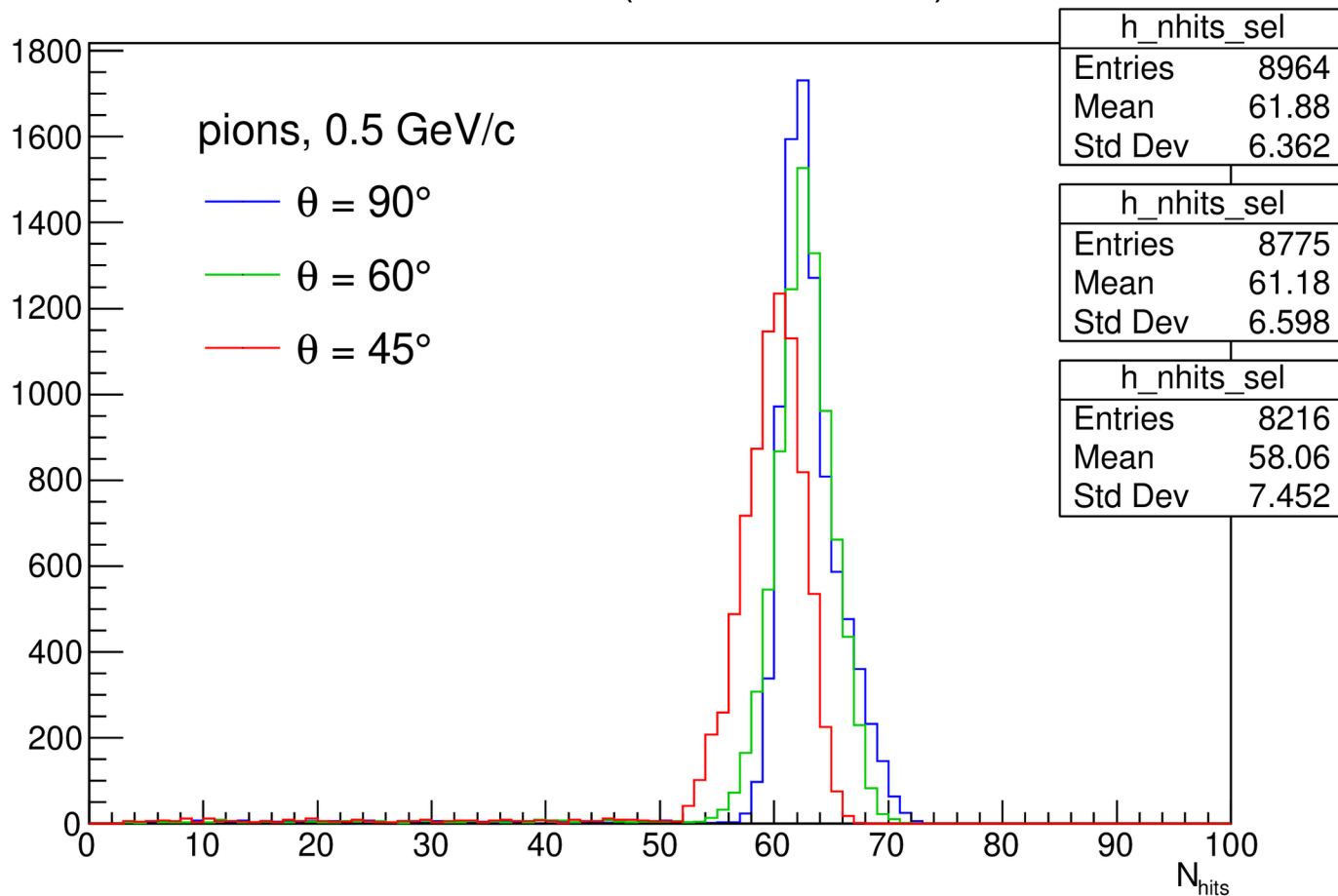
For pions sigma/mean changes from 16% to 17.5%; increase in 1.09 times.

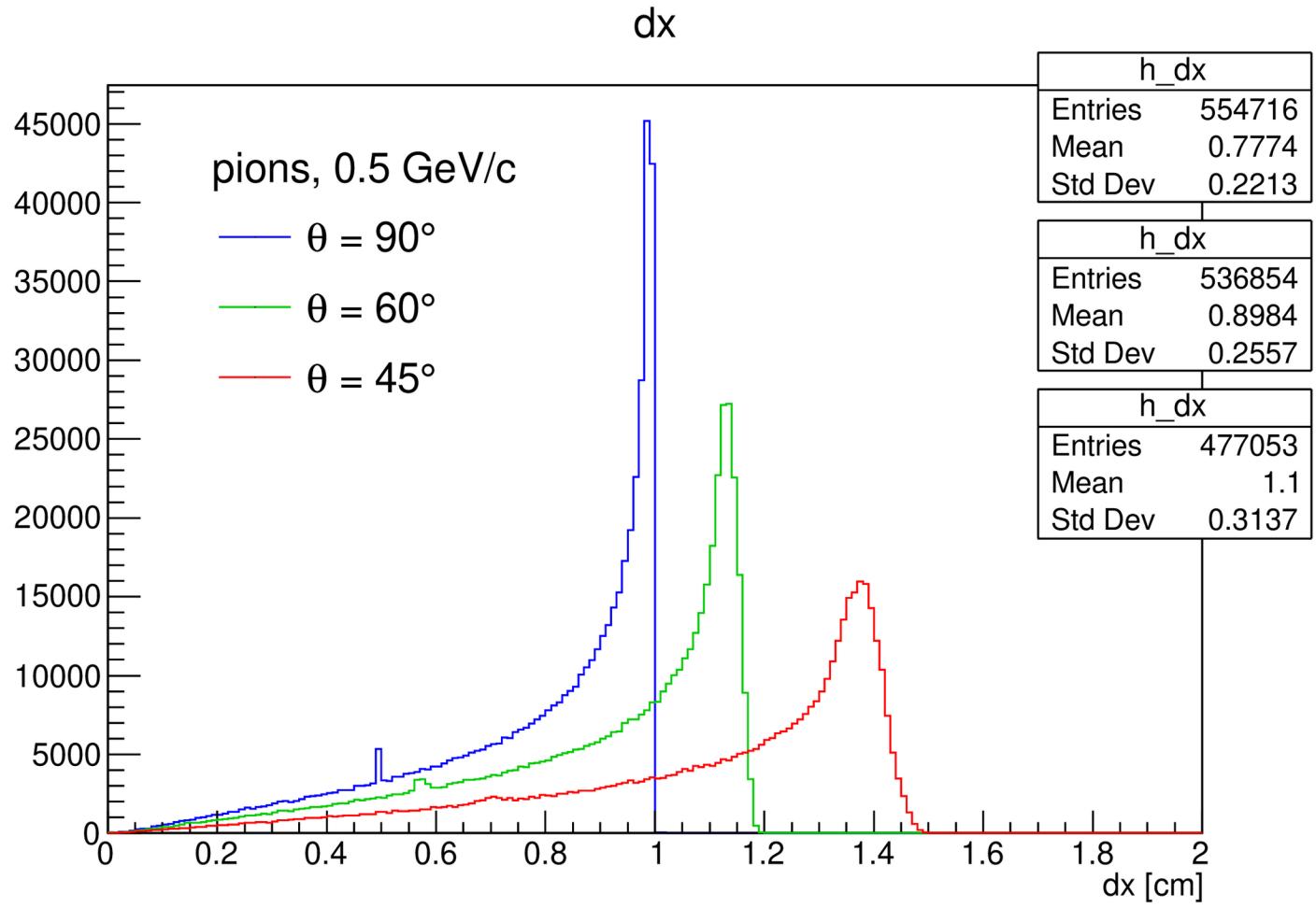


# dE/dx for tracks with different values of $\theta$

- For each type of particle ( $\pi$ , K, p) three artificial samples were prepared:
  - $\theta = 90^\circ \pm 1^\circ, 60^\circ \pm 1^\circ, 45^\circ \pm 1^\circ$ ;
  - initial momentum = 0.5 GeV/c;
  - $\varphi = 0^\circ \dots 1^\circ$ ;
  - vertex in (0,0,0);
  - 10 000 particles in each sample.
- For such values of  $\theta$  average number of hits is approximately the same.
- The same cuts on track quality as mentioned above were applied.

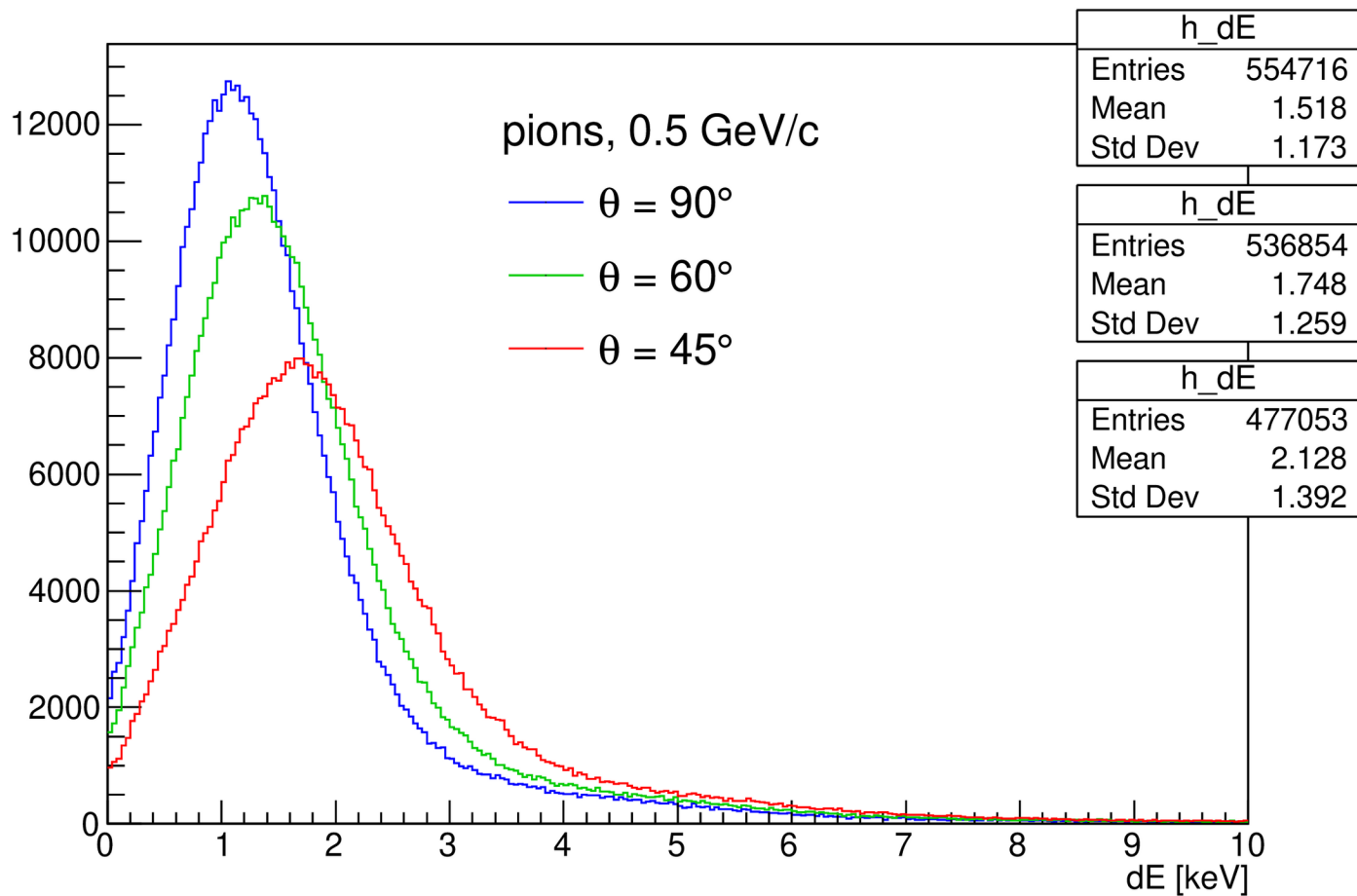
# N hits in ST (selected tracks)



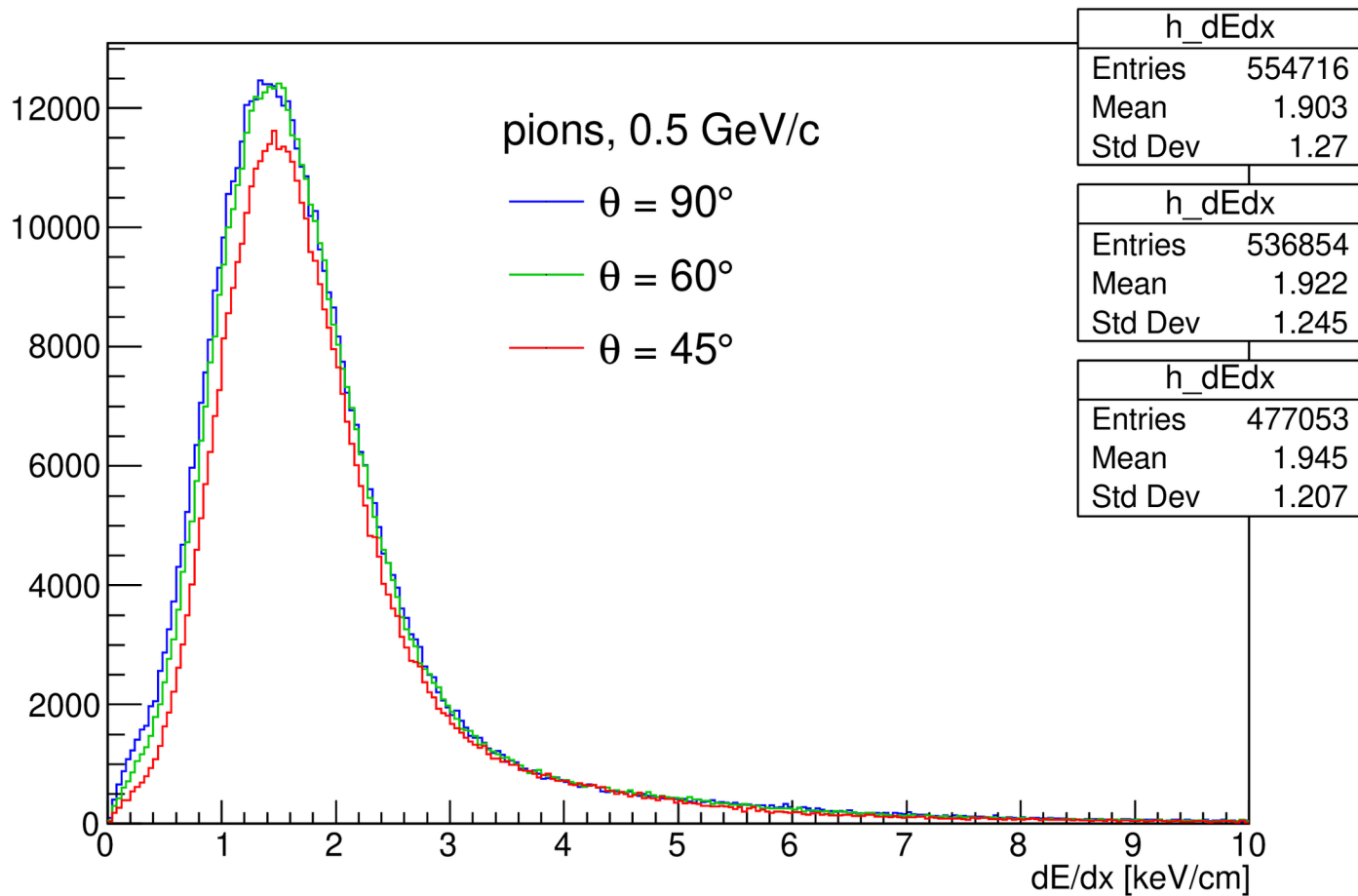


Max. dx corresponds to  $1/\sin(\theta)$  cm.

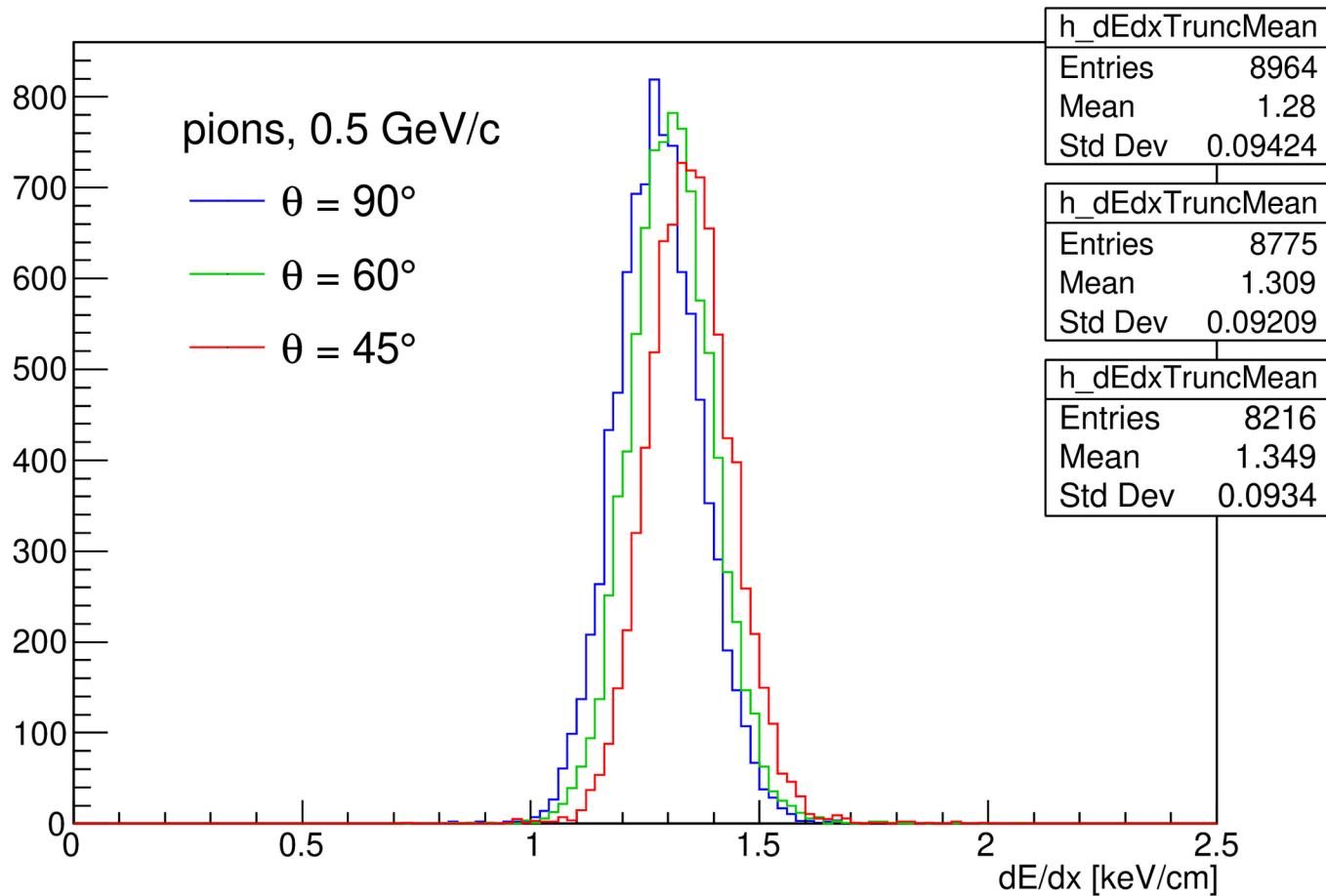
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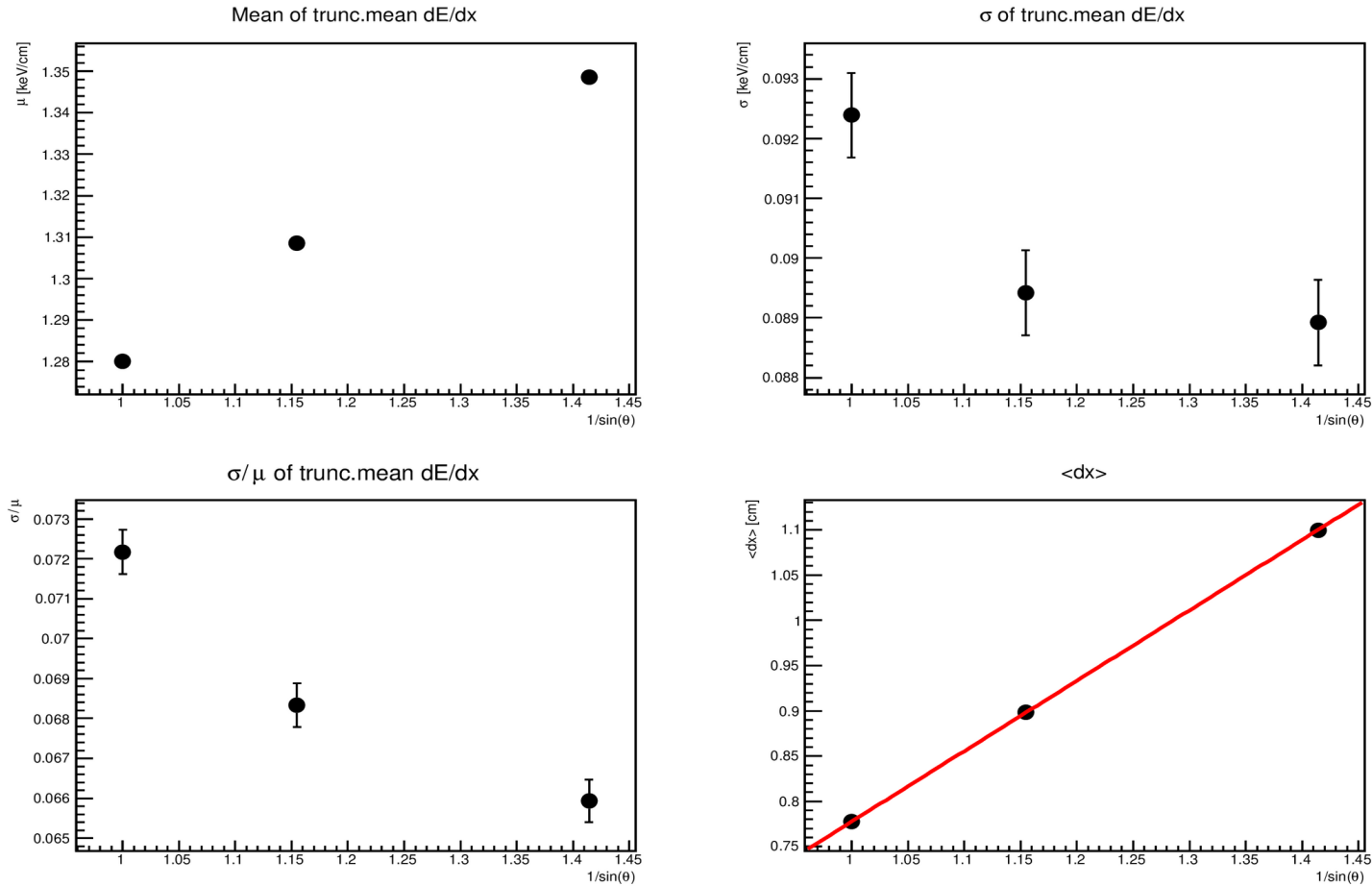
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# Truncated mean of dEd/dx

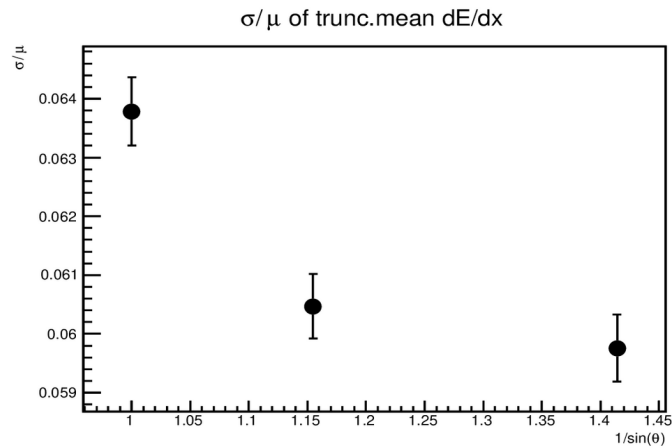
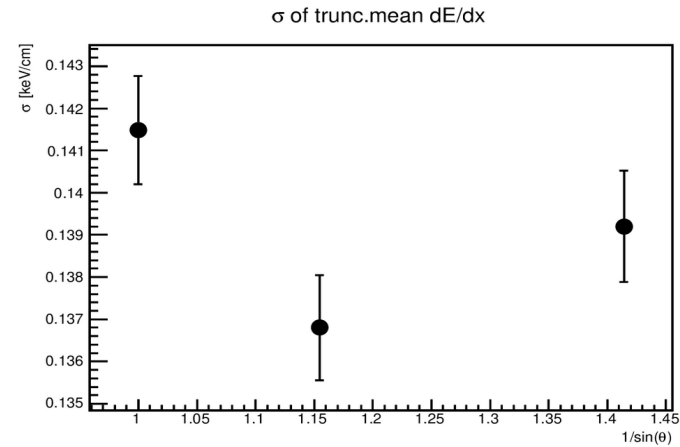
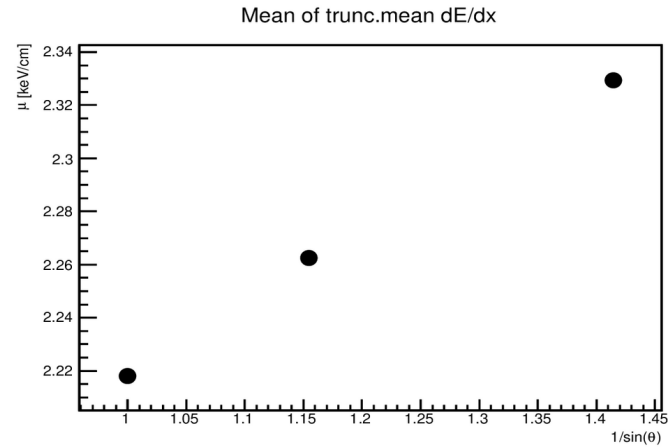


# Pions, $p_0 = 0.5 \text{ GeV}/c$



Mean changes by 5.4% when  $\langle dx \rangle$  changes by 41%.

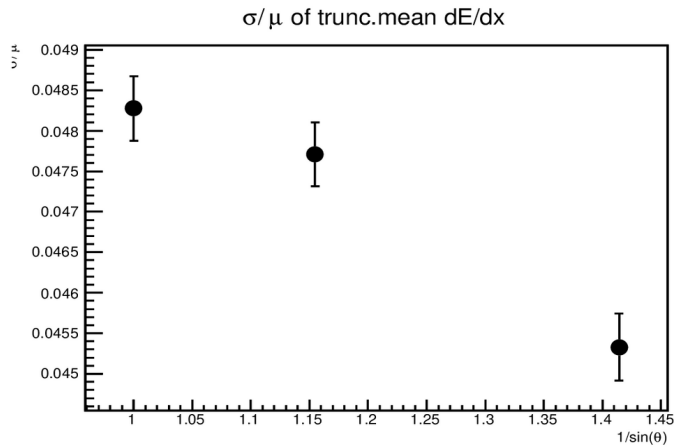
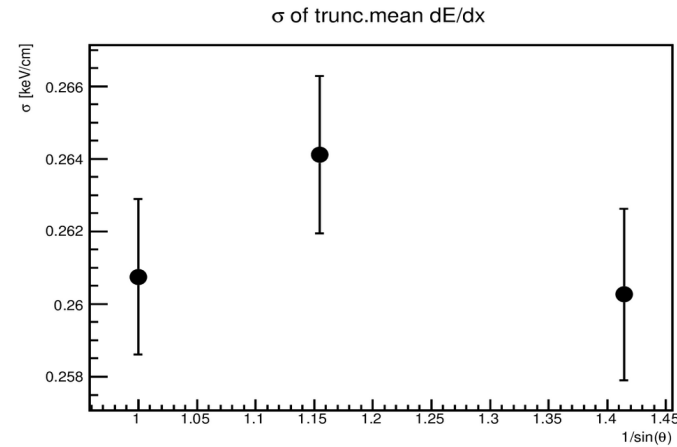
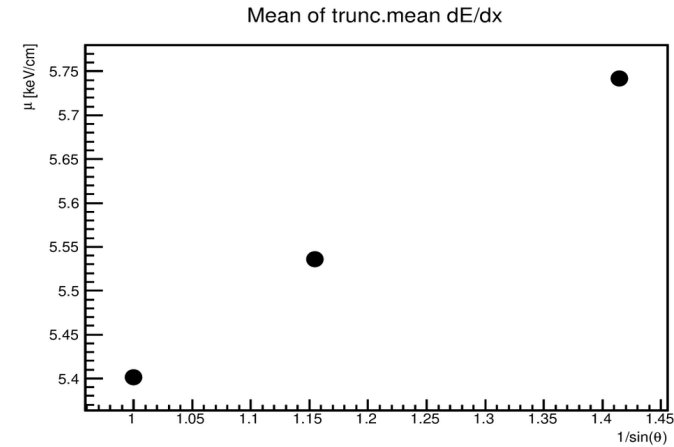
# Kaons, $p_0 = 0.5 \text{ GeV}/c$



Mean changes by 5.1% when dx changes by 41%.



# Protons, $p_0 = 0.5 \text{ GeV}/c$



Mean changes by 6.3% when dx changes by 41%.

# Conclusions

- Additional 20% error of dE measurement leads to an increase in relative sigma of dE/dx by a factor of 1.1.
- Mean dE/dx increases as dx increases.
- Errors in determining dx have not yet been taken into account.