



# Study of the MPD-TPC detector performance in pp collisions

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## pp collisions



Event generation  
(HSD model)



MC transport  
(G3 - MpdRoot)



Reconstruction  
(MpdRoot: CF - KF)

PHSD model (in HSD mode) was used to generate events

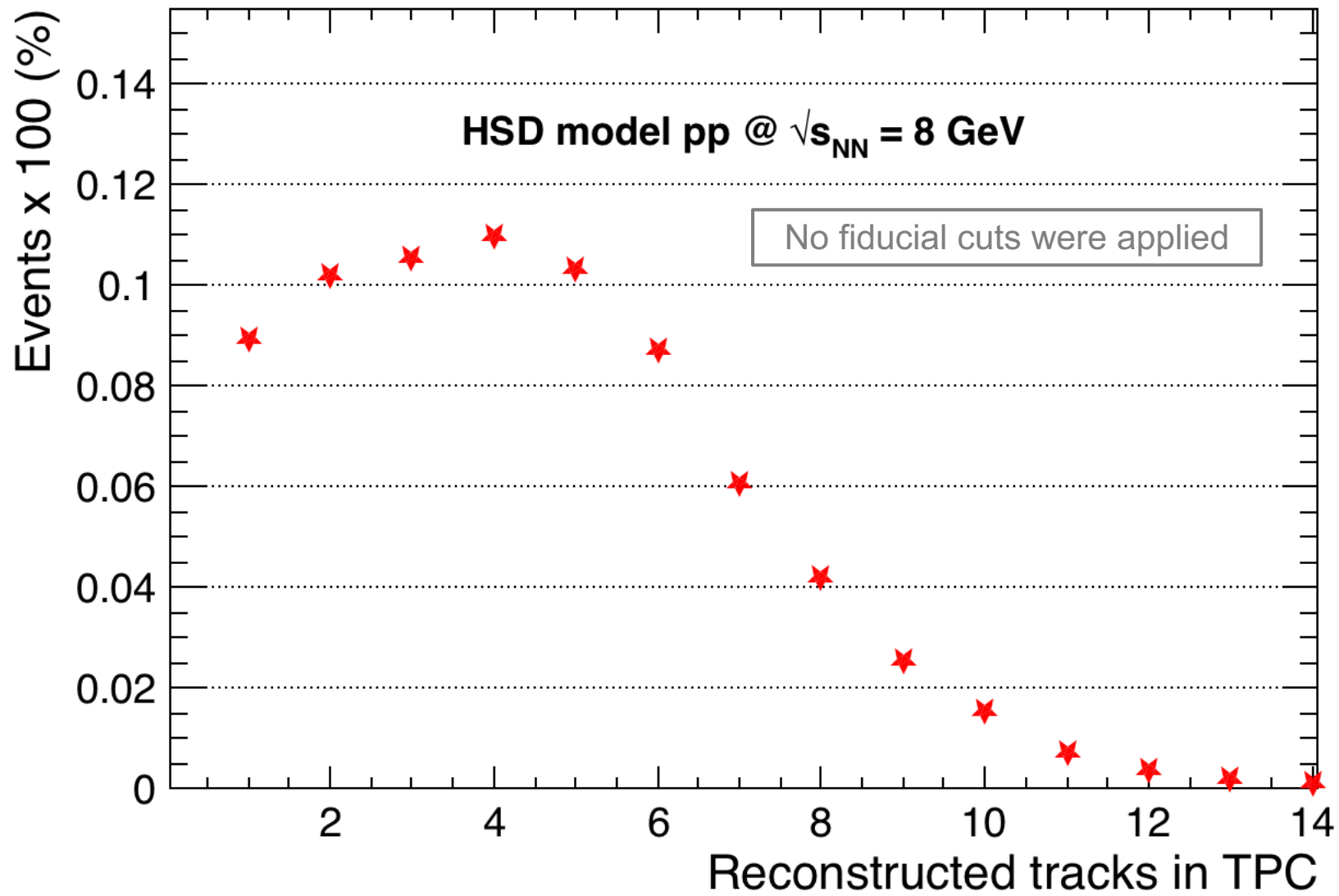
HSD mode => without partonic QGP phase.

High energy inelastic hadron – hadron collision in HSD is described by FRITIOF string model (including PYTHIA). The description of  $p+p$  reactions is almost equivalent to the Lund String model.

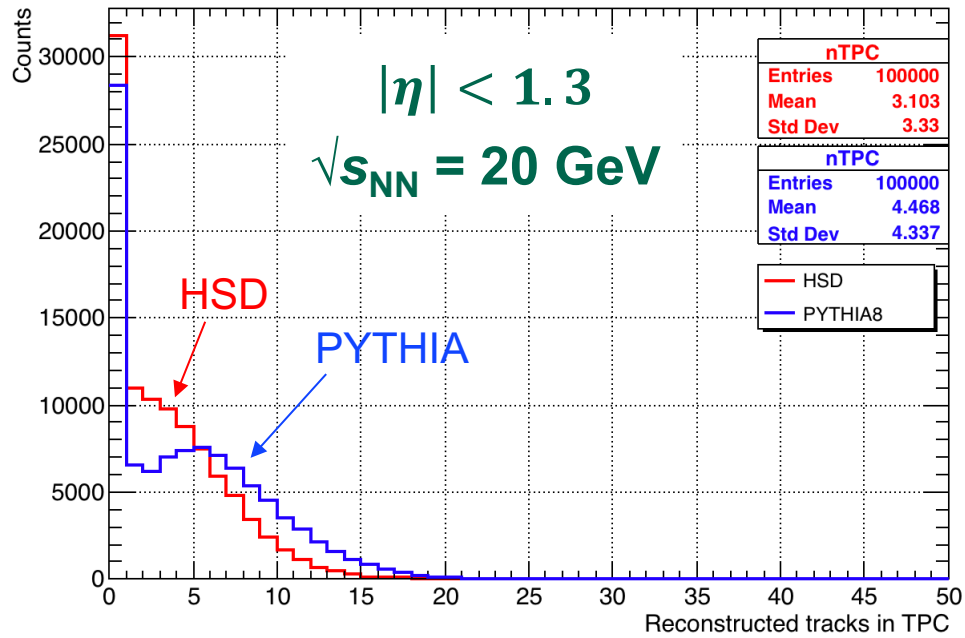
- 100000 events
- Point-like interaction
- Primary\* and secondary tracks
- Analyzed TPC Kalman tracks and TOF matched tracks
- The reconstructed tracks are associated with the primary MC particle that ‘caused’ the reconstructed track
- Number of Hits > 20

\* **Primary particles** are defined as prompt particles produced in the collision including products of strong and electromagnetic decays, as well as weak decay of charmed and beauty particles except feed-down products from strange and other secondary particles.

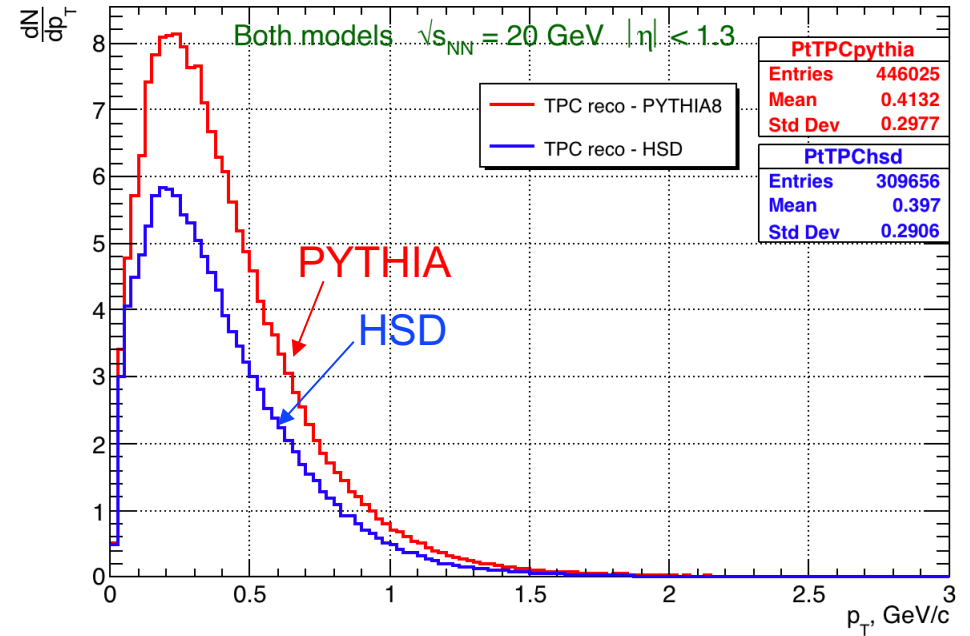
The events with reconstructed tracks in TPC  $\neq 0$  represent **75%** of the total amount of analysed events.



Reconstructed track distribution in TPC with HSD and PHYTHIA8 @ 20 GeV.



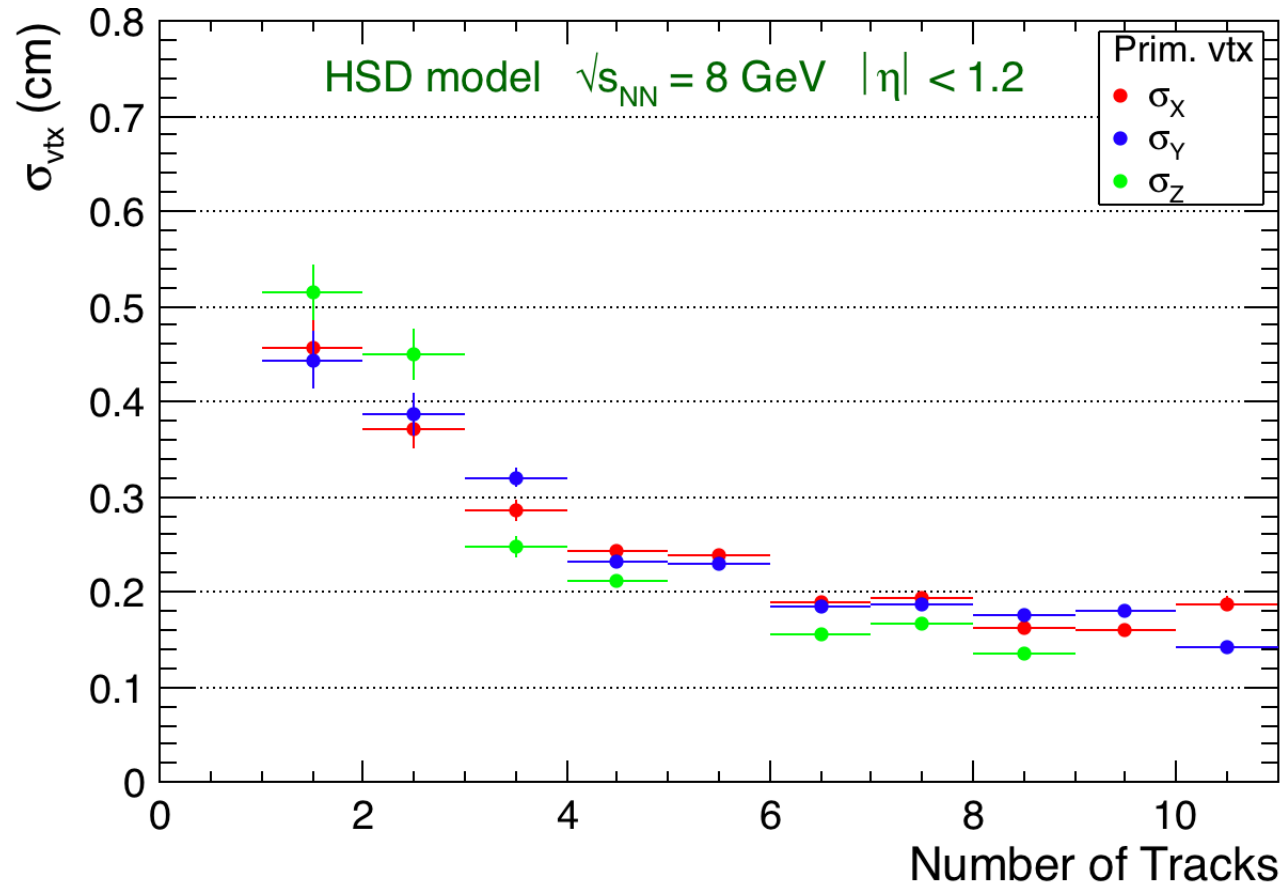
$p_T$  density distribution @ 20 GeV with HSD and PHYTHIA8, normalized by number of events.



Pythia results obtained by A. Zinchenko

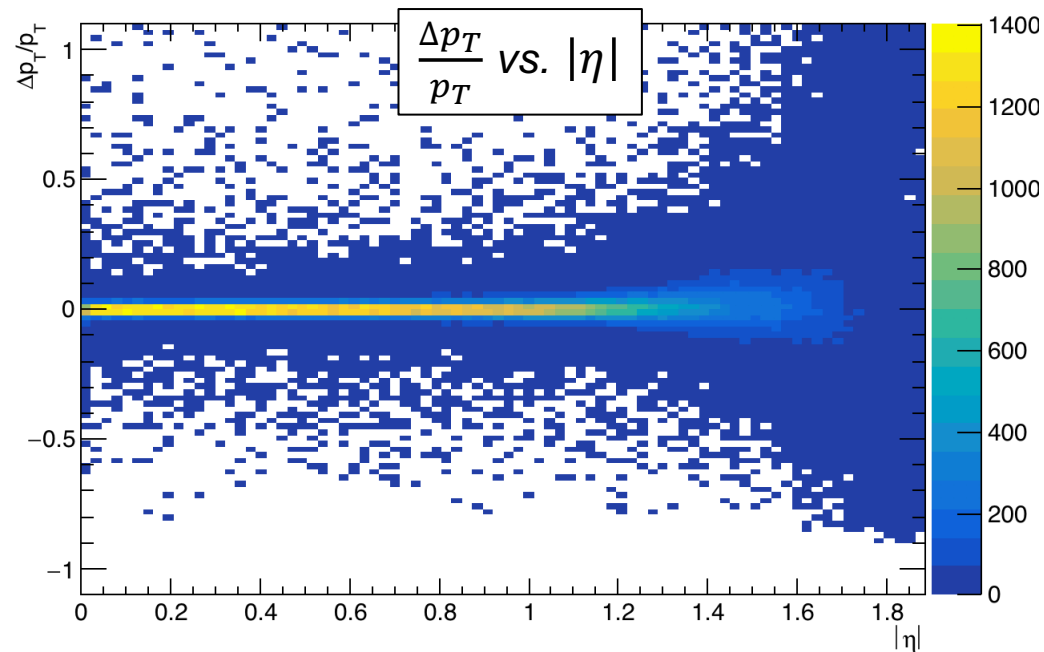
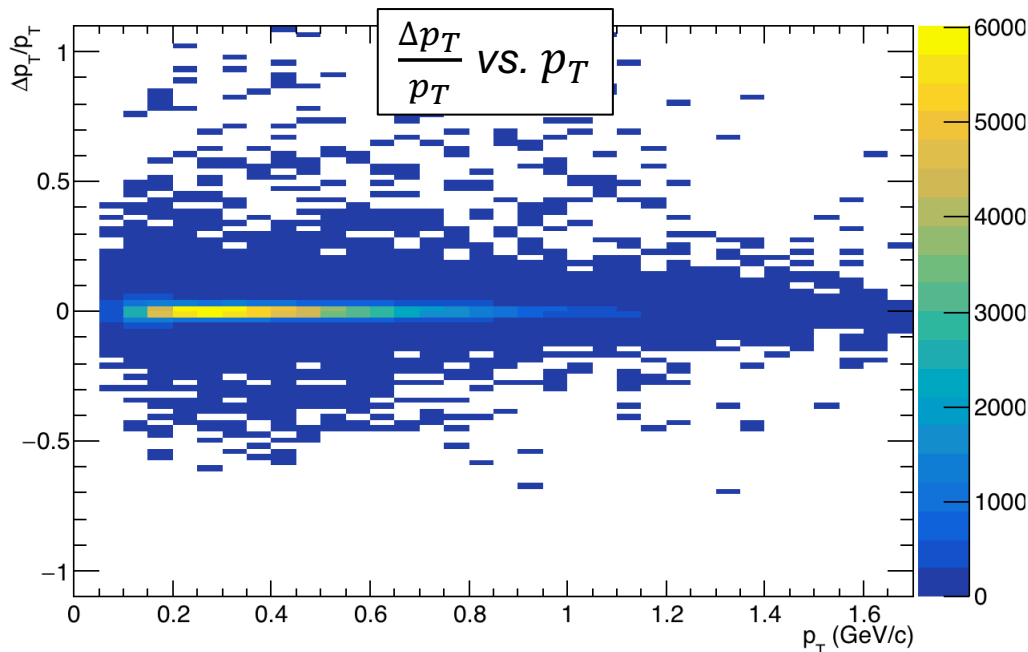
Multiplicity from $p_T$ density distributions at $ \eta  < 1.3$	
TPC	
HSD	PHYTHIA
3.09	4.46

- Pythia predicts higher multiplicity than HSD in TPC for pp @  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 20 \text{ GeV}$



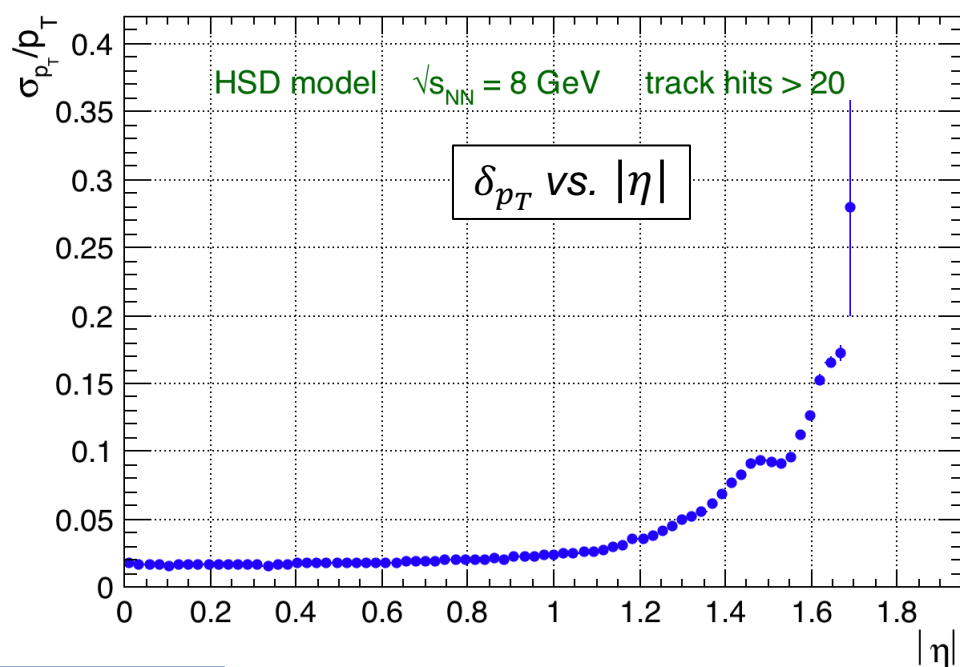
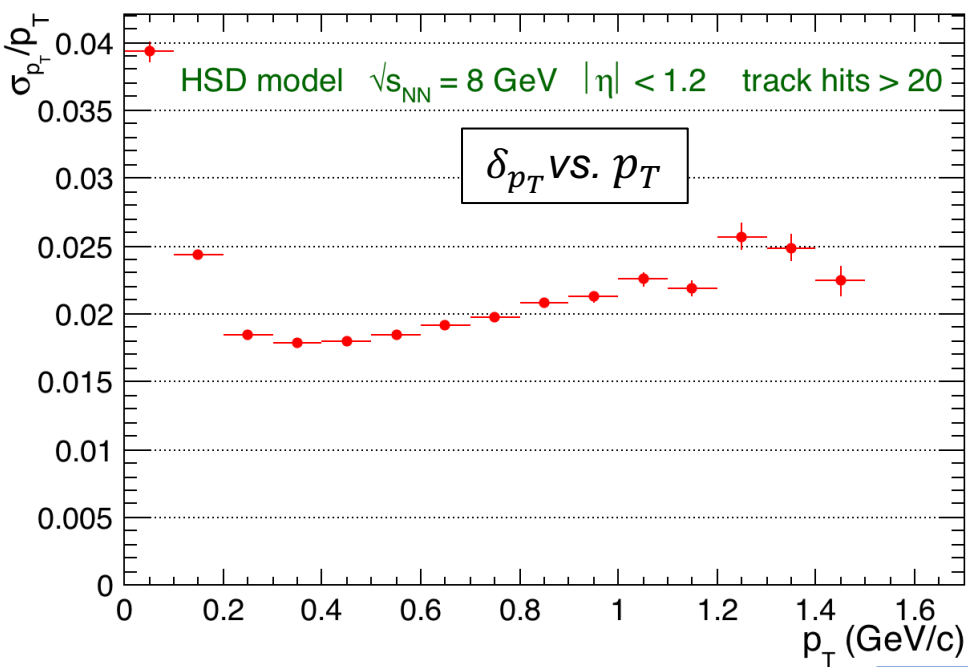
- The accurate position determination of the primary vertex is essential for  $p_T$  reconstruction. It depends on the number of tracks and the  $p_T$  of those tracks.
- The precision of primary vertex coordinates is better for large track multiplicities ( $\sigma_{vtx} < 2mm$  for  $nTracks > 6$ ).

# $p_T$ resolution



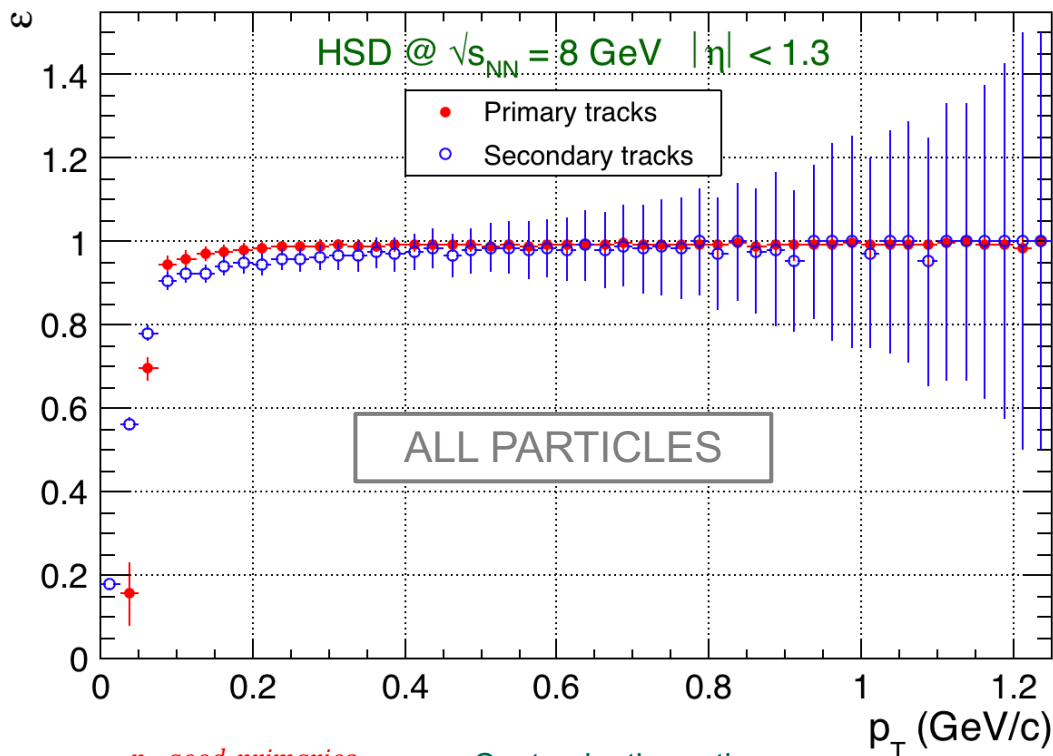
$p_T$  resolution is better than 2.6% for  $p_T$  in range 0.1 ÷ 1.5 GeV/c

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$$\frac{\Delta p_T}{p_T} = \frac{p_{T,rec} - p_{T,MC}}{p_{T,MC}}$$

## All particles



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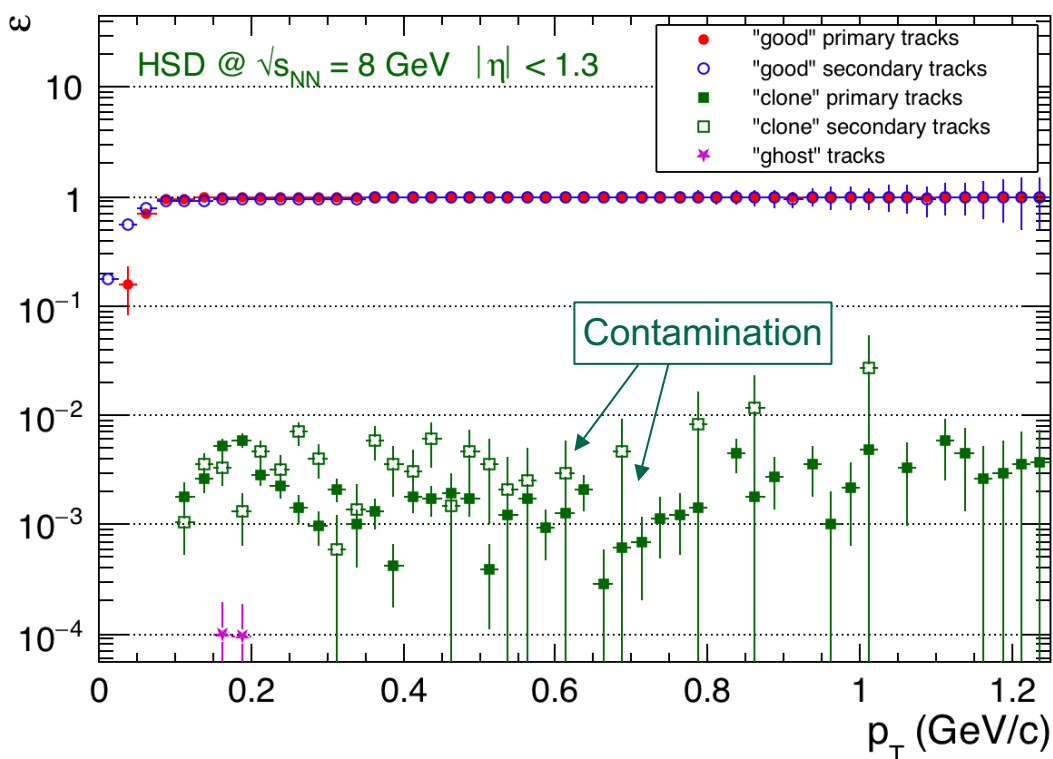
$$\epsilon_{sec} = \frac{p_T \text{ good\_secondaries}}{p_T \text{ all\_secondaries}}$$

Contamination ratio:

$$\frac{p_T \text{ clone\_primaries}}{p_T \text{ all\_primaries}} \quad \frac{p_T \text{ clone\_secondaries}}{p_T \text{ all\_secondaries}}$$

$$\frac{p_T \text{ ghost}}{p_T \text{ all\_secondaries}}$$

- "Ghost" tracks are negligible in pp collisions.
- There exist contamination of primary and secondary "clone" tracks at  $p_T > 0.1 \text{ GeV/c}$  representing  $< 1\%$ .



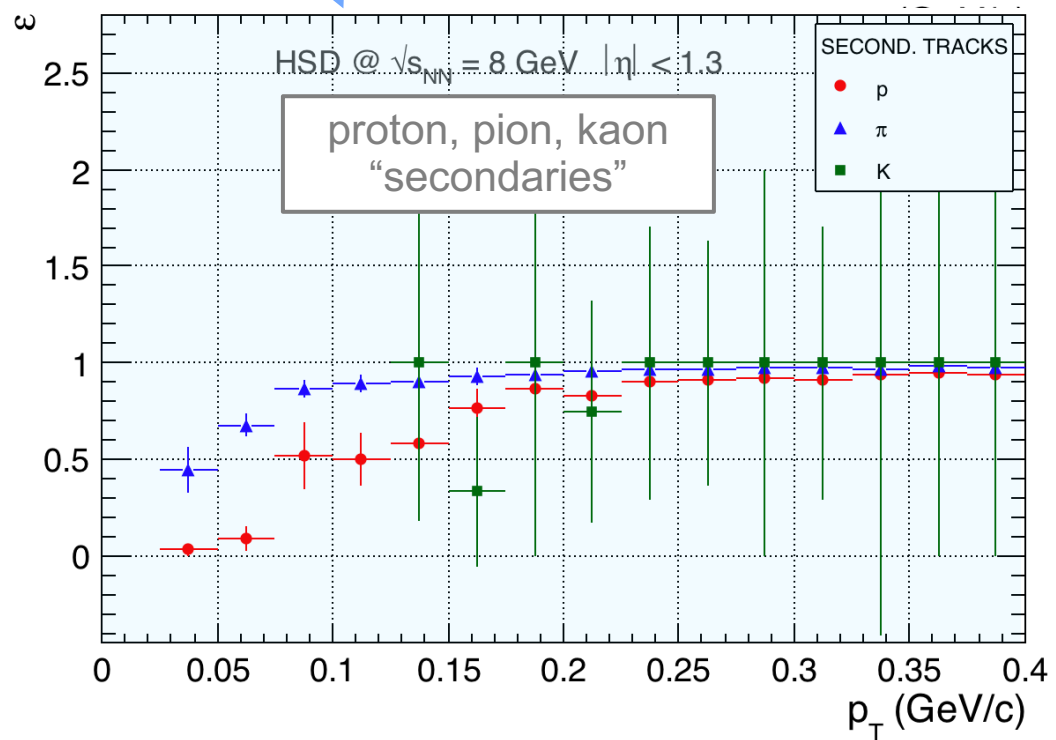
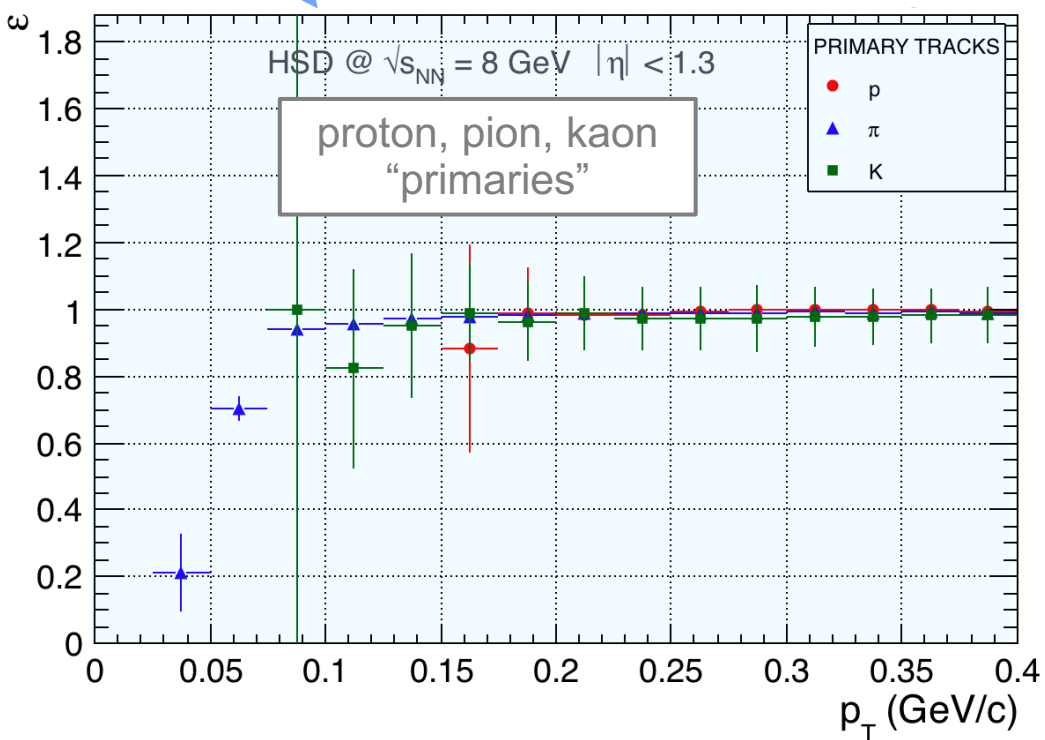
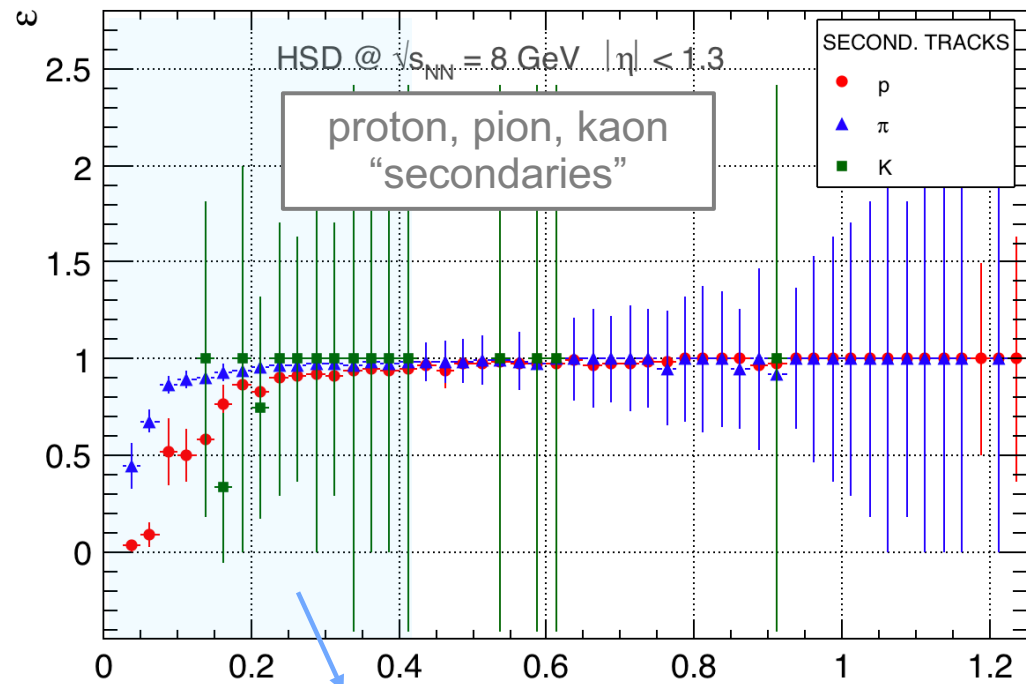
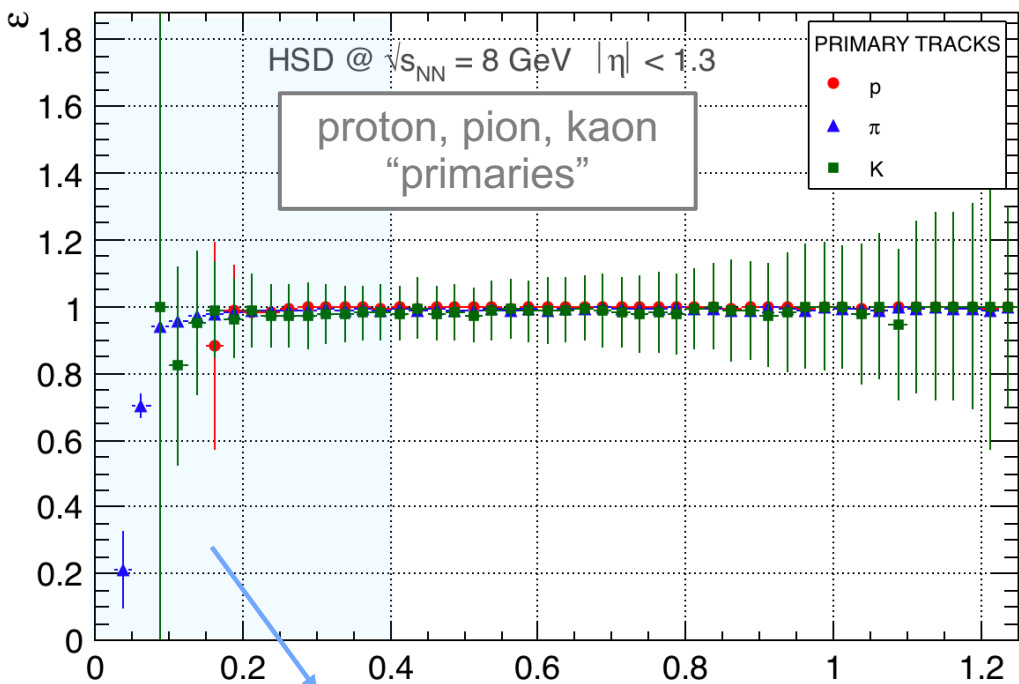
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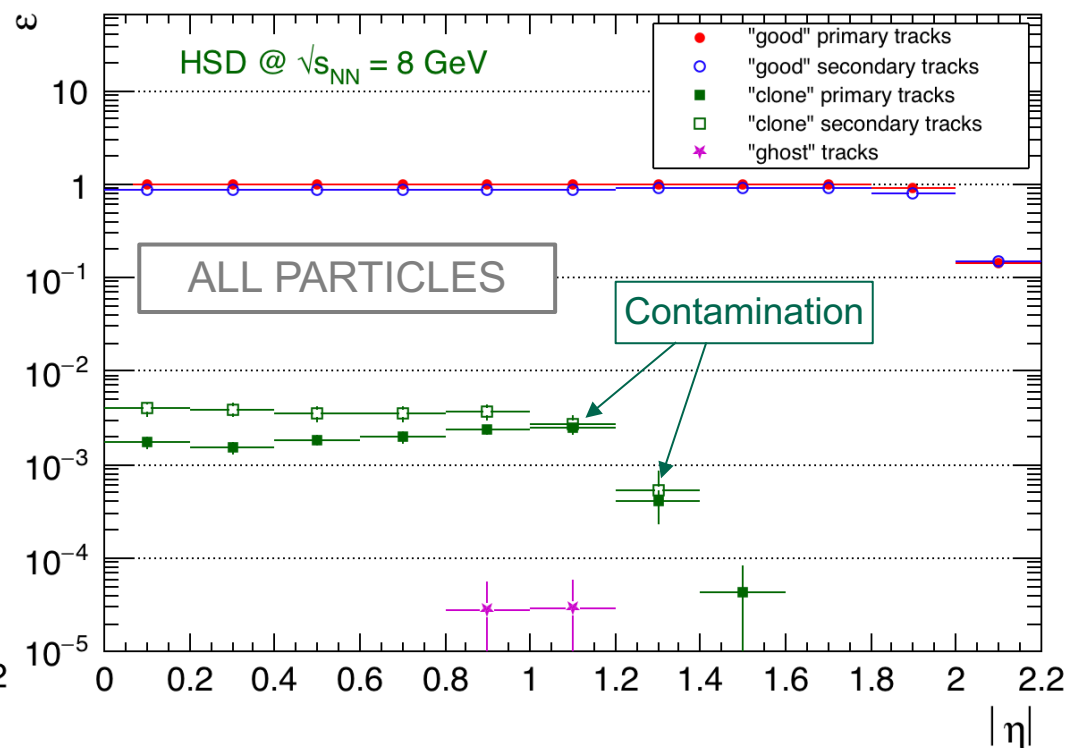
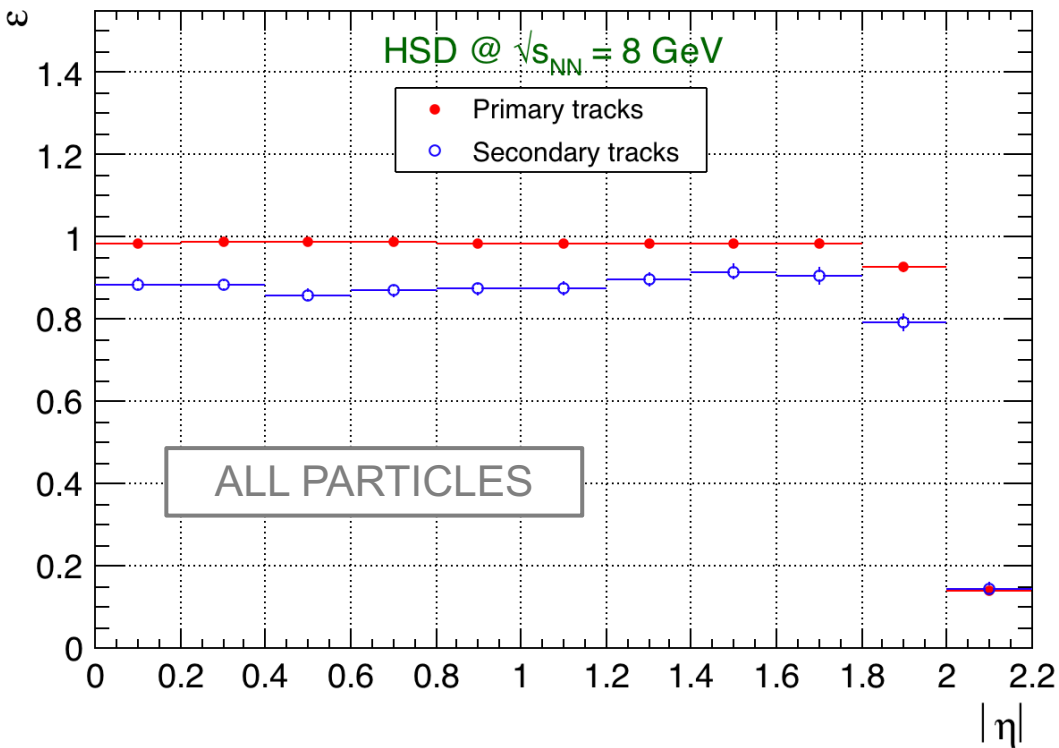
- **Good** tracks: Contain more than 50% hits from the same particle.
- **Clone** tracks: Are as "good" tracks, but consisting of several tracks from the same particle due to either:
  - One track splitting during reconstruction (true clones)
  - Several branches of low  $p_T$  tracks spiraling in TPC
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# Tracking efficiency vs. $p_T$

protons, pions, kaons





$$\epsilon_{prim} = \frac{p_T \text{ good\_primaries}}{p_T \text{ all\_primaries}}$$

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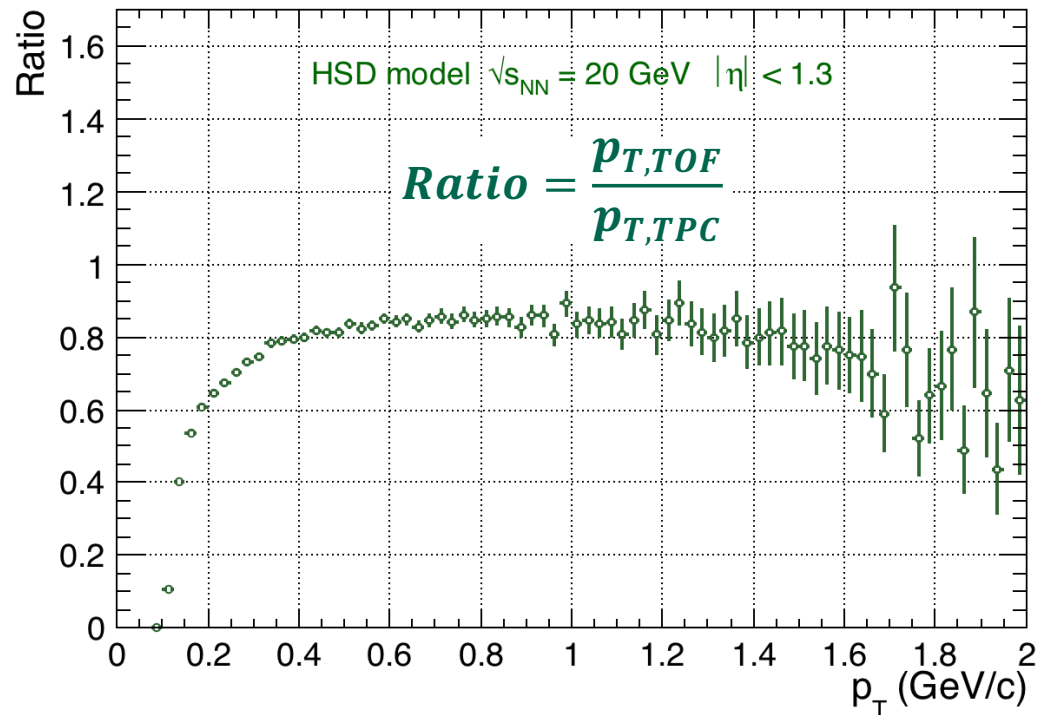
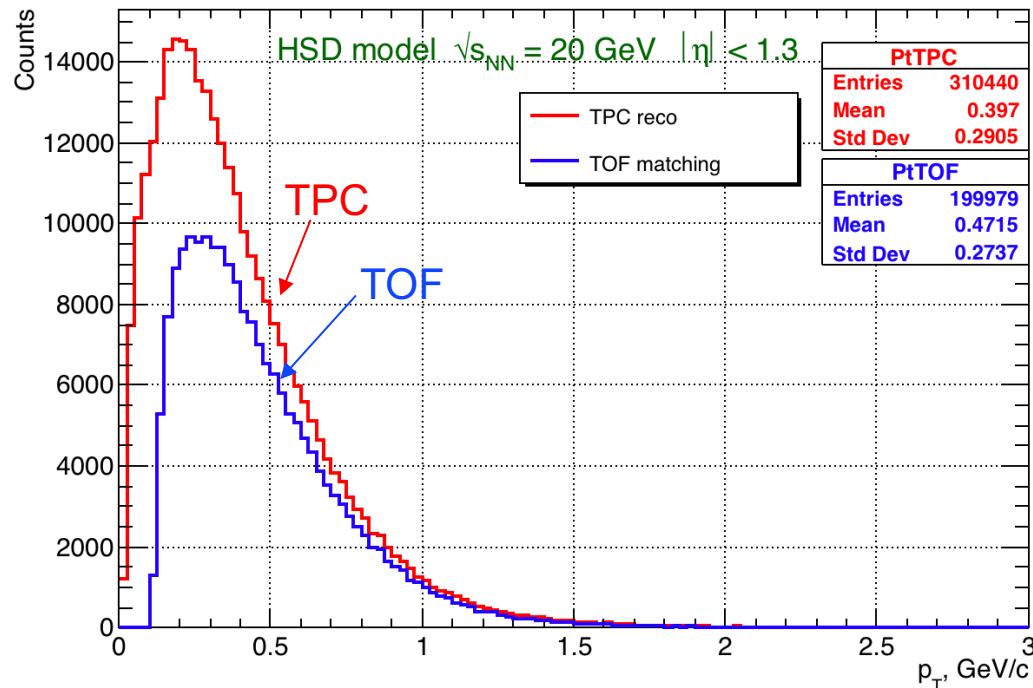
- The contamination due to primary and secondary "clone" tracks represents  $< 1\%$  at  $|\eta| < 1.2$

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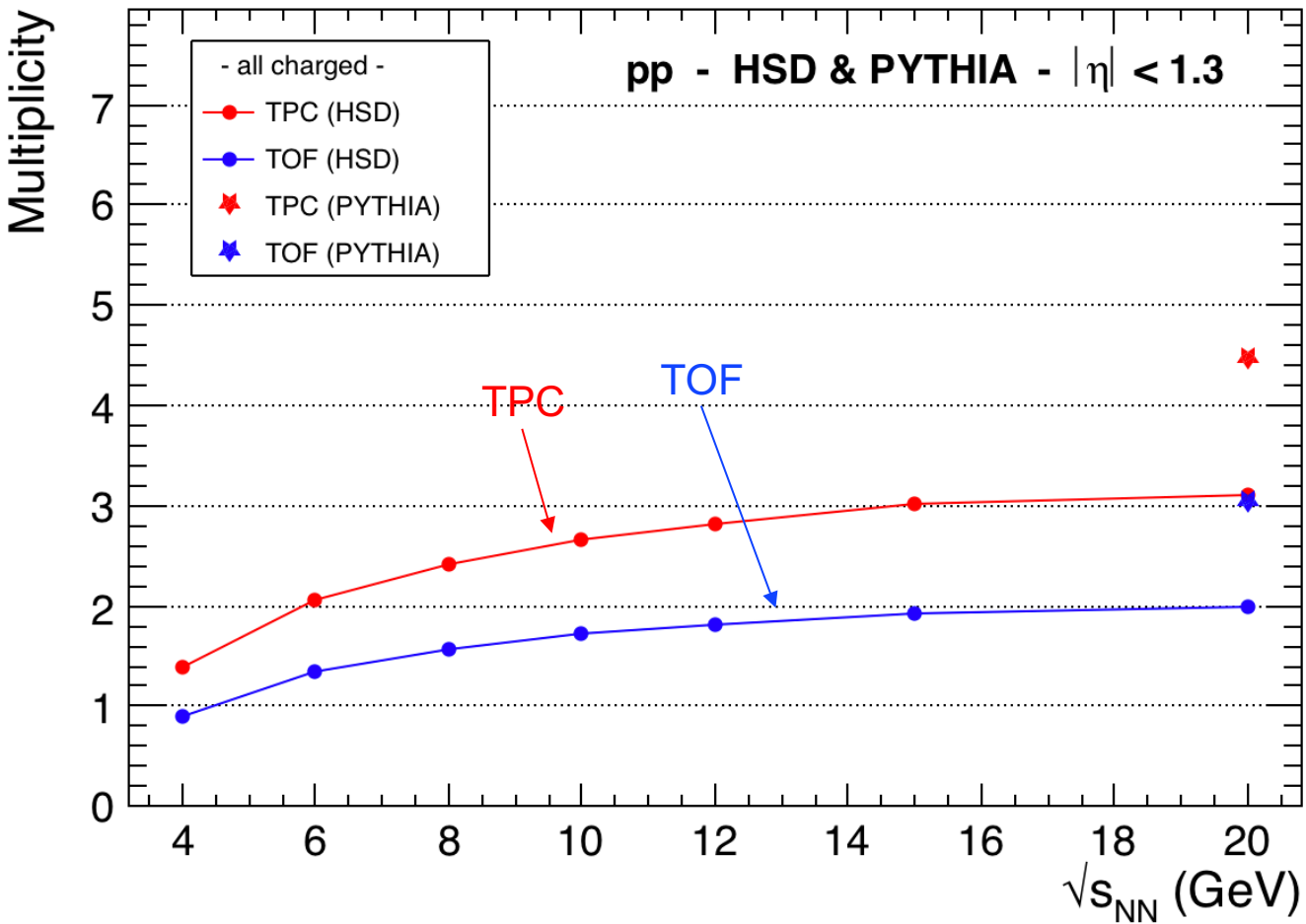
$p_T$  distribution of reconstructed tracks in:

- TPC
- TPC + TOF



The reconstruction efficiency in TOF as defined above, is  $> 80\%$  in the  $p_T$  range  $0.3 \div 1.6$  GeV/c. Different factors contribute to the inefficiency: TOF acceptance and dead spaces, decays of pions and kaons, TPC-TOF mismatch (especially at low  $p_T$ ), etc. This should be investigated in detail further on.

## Multiplicity for different p + p collision energies



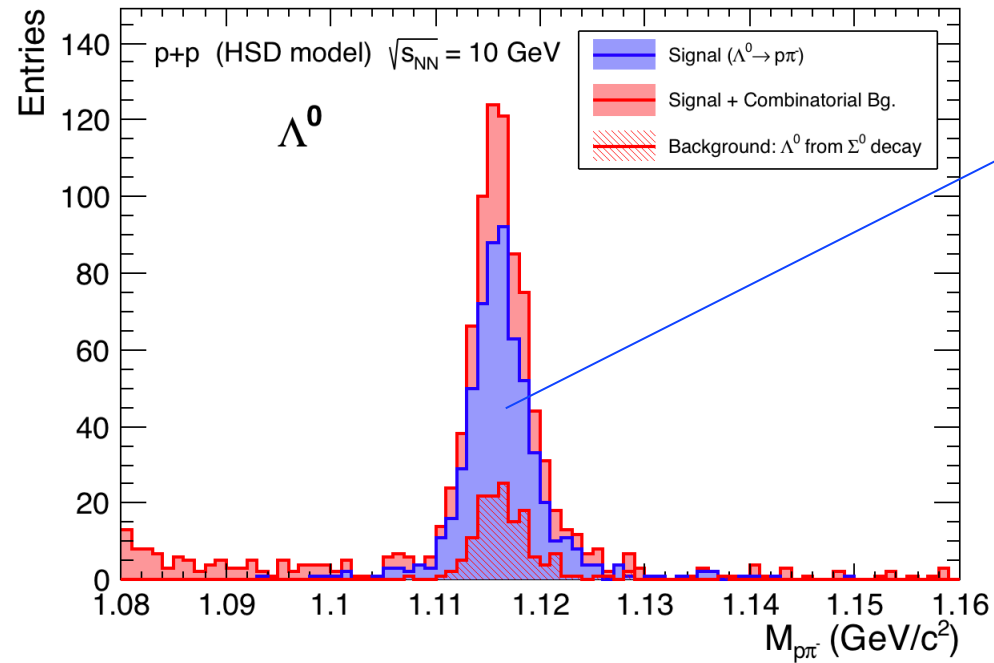
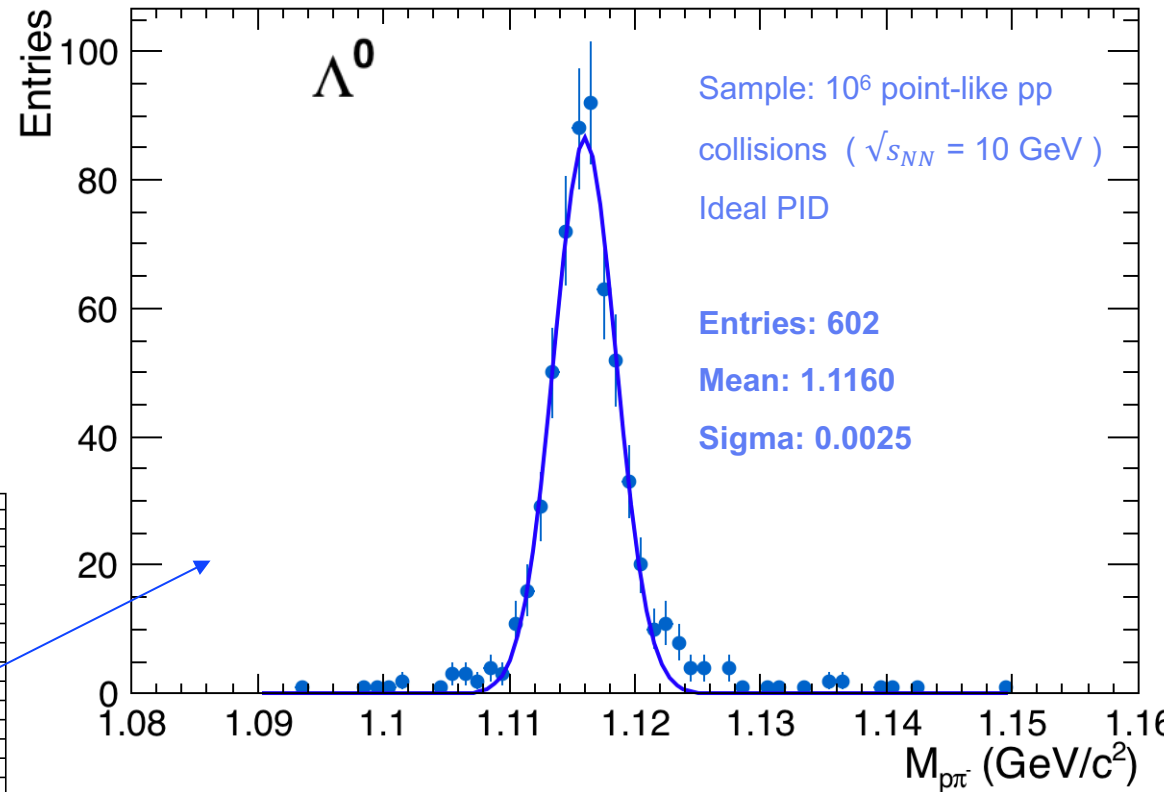
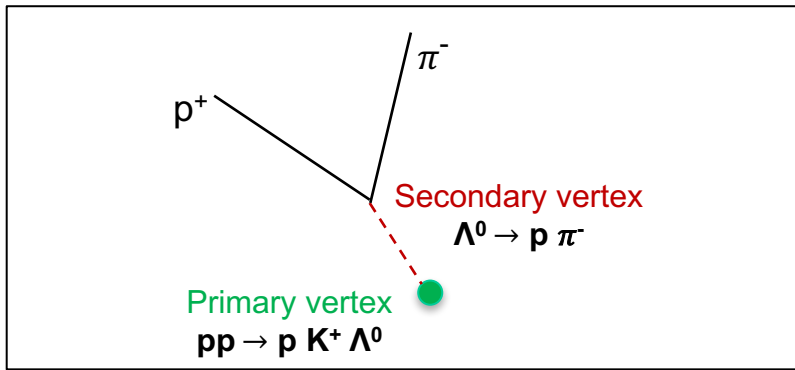
$S_{NN}$ (GeV)	Multiplicity at $ \eta  < 1.3$			
	TPC		TOF	
	HSD	PYTHIA	HSD	PYTHIA
4	1.38		0.89	
6	2.07		1.34	
8	2.42		1.58	
10	2.66		1.73	
12	2.81		1.82	
15	3.01		1.93	
20	3.10	4.46	2.00	3.03

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The multiplicity values were obtained from the  $p_T$  and pseudorapidity density distributions,  $(\frac{dN}{dp_T})$  vs.  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$  and  $(\frac{dN}{d\eta})$  vs.  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ , ( $|\eta| < 1.3$ )

## Invariant mass spectrum of ( $p, \pi^-$ ) pair

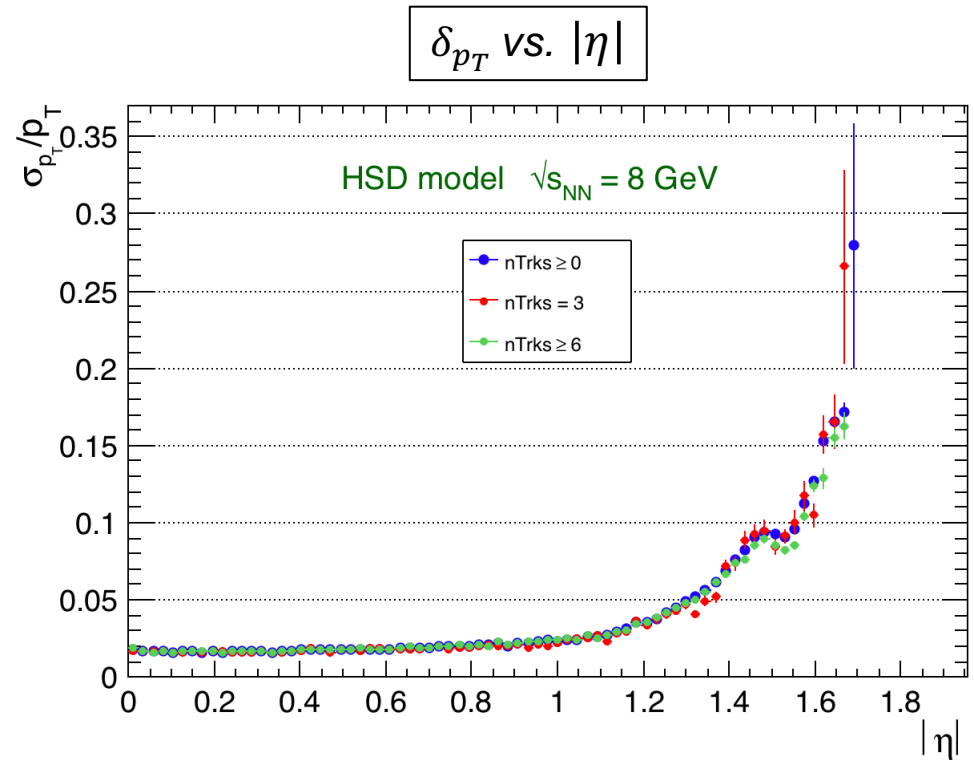
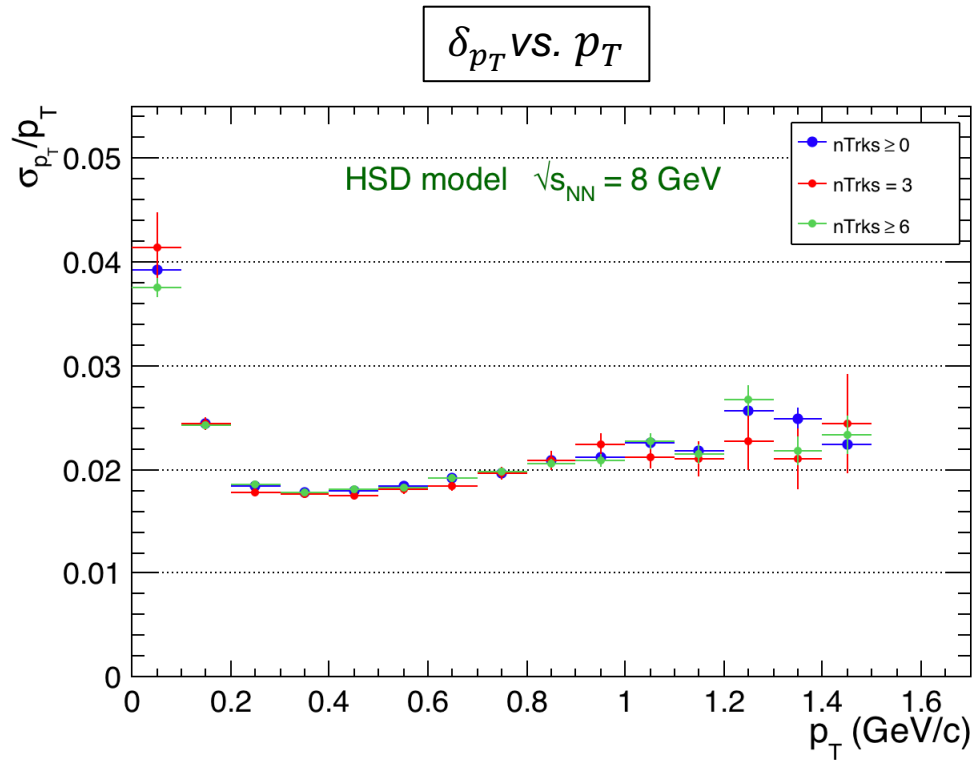
$$m_{\Lambda^0} = 1116 \text{ MeV}$$



There is a weak combinatorial background due to the low multiplicity from p + p collisions.

- The performance studies of MPD, in its first stage, include the simulations of p+p collisions to estimate the feasibility of TPC as the main tracking detector for event reconstruction.
- Simulations indicates that the pseudorapidity and  $p_T$  density distributions as well as the multiplicity of charge hadrons from p+p collisions can be measured in MPD at collision energies  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 4 \div 20$  GeV.
- The primary vertex position may be estimated with a precision of 2 mm in events of more than 6 reconstructed tracks in TPC.
- The  $p_T$  resolution is better than 2.6% at  $p_T$  range: 0.1  $\div$  1.5 GeV/c.
- The reconstruction of  $\Lambda^0$  baryon from p+p collisions has the advantage of a weak  $p, \pi^-$  combinatorial background.

# BACKUP



The  $p_T$  resolution is not affected by the number of tracks.



Difference between  $p_{T,\text{rec}}$  and  $p_{T,\text{MC}}$   
Only primary **protons**, **pions**, **kaons**

