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The first tests of MC data obtained using vHLE model

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Abstract

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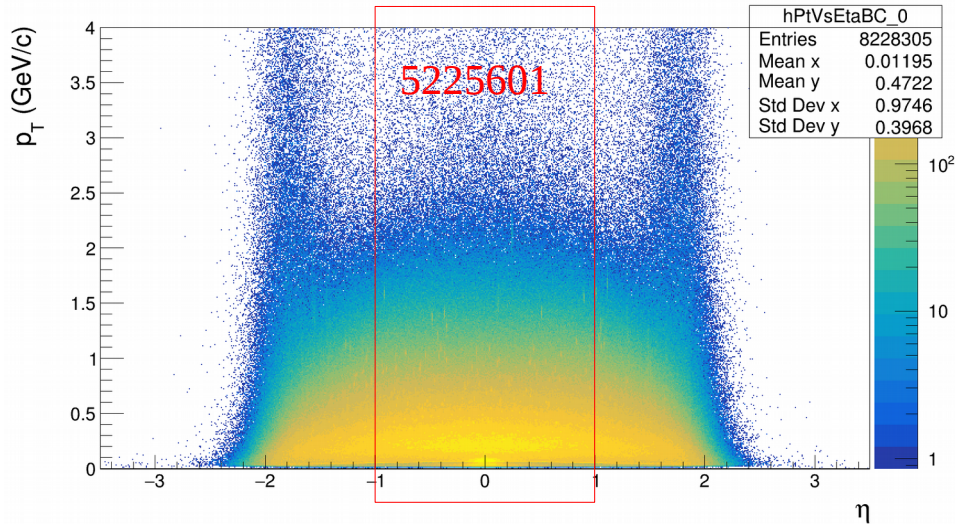
Outline

- MC production (vHLLÉ+GEANT+reconstruction) Au+Au
 - Statistics: $\sim 7e5$ $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=11.5$ GeV 0-5%
 - $|Z_{\text{vert}}| < 50$ cm, $|\eta| < 1$, number of TPC hits > 20 , $p_T > 0.1$ GeV/c
- PID using dE/dx in TPC
- PID using TOF
- Bayesian PID
- Conclusions

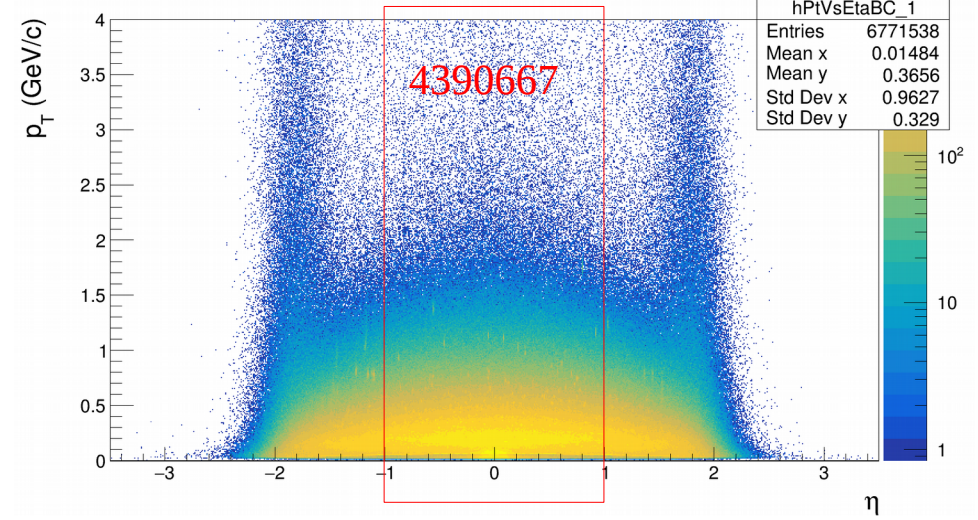
Acceptance: AuAu $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=11.5$ GeV 0-5% (vHLL+GEANT+Rec)

Before any cuts

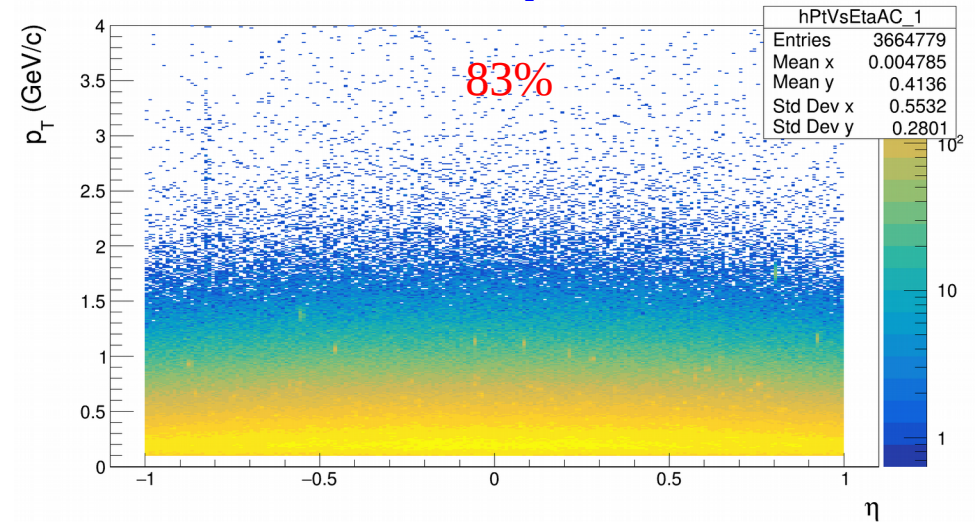
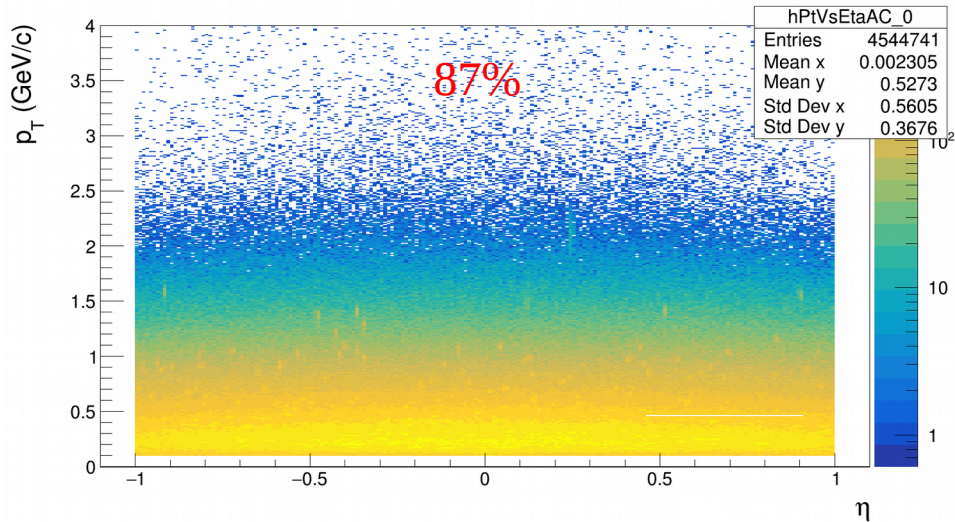
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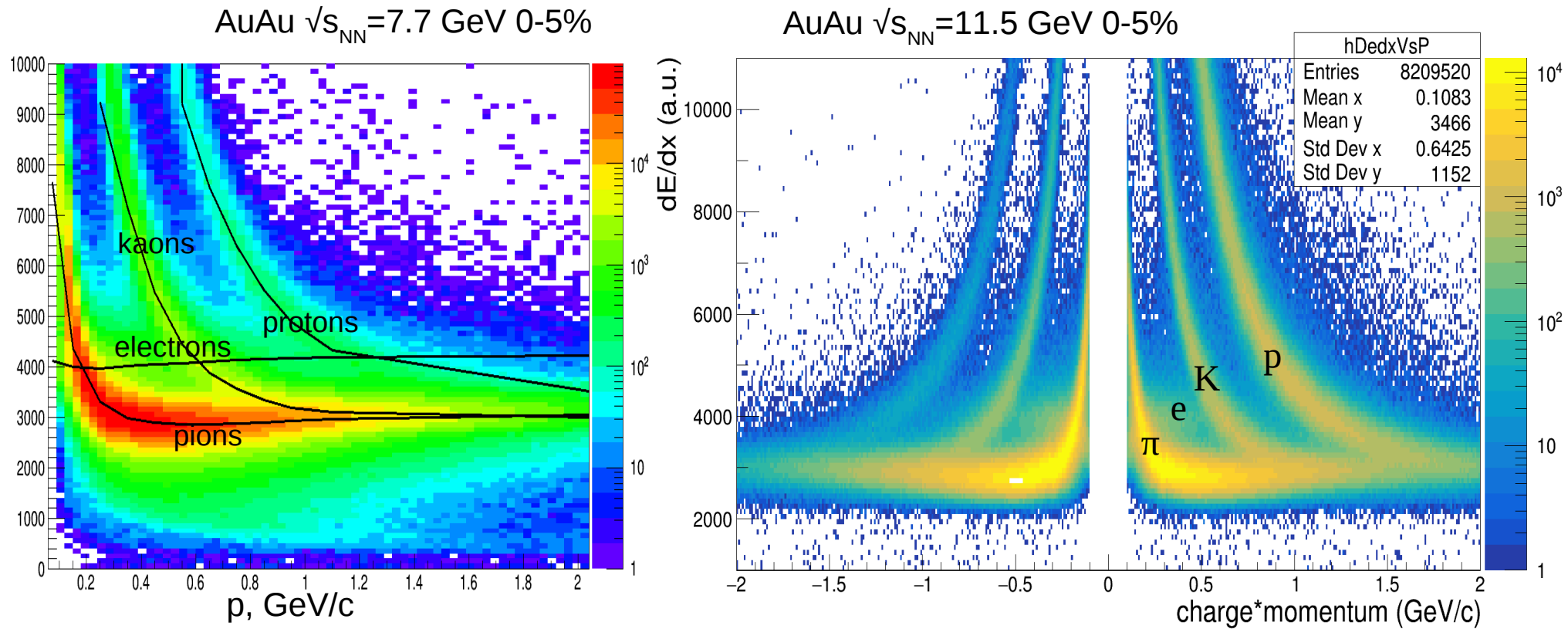


After cuts(nHits>20 && |eta|<1 && charge!=0 && p_T>0.1)



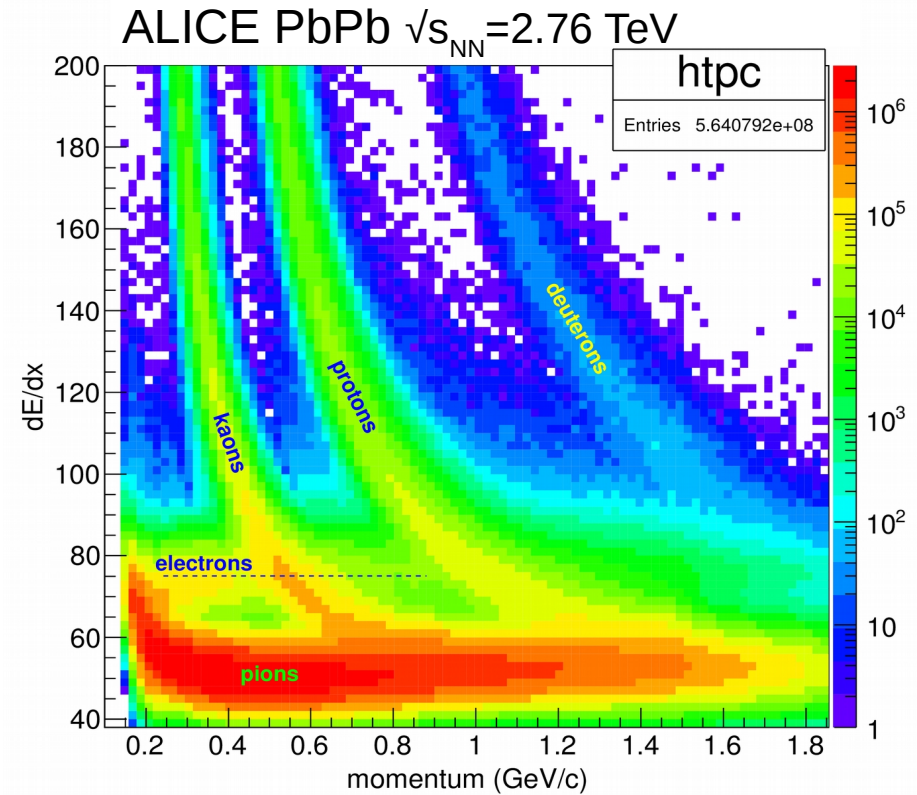
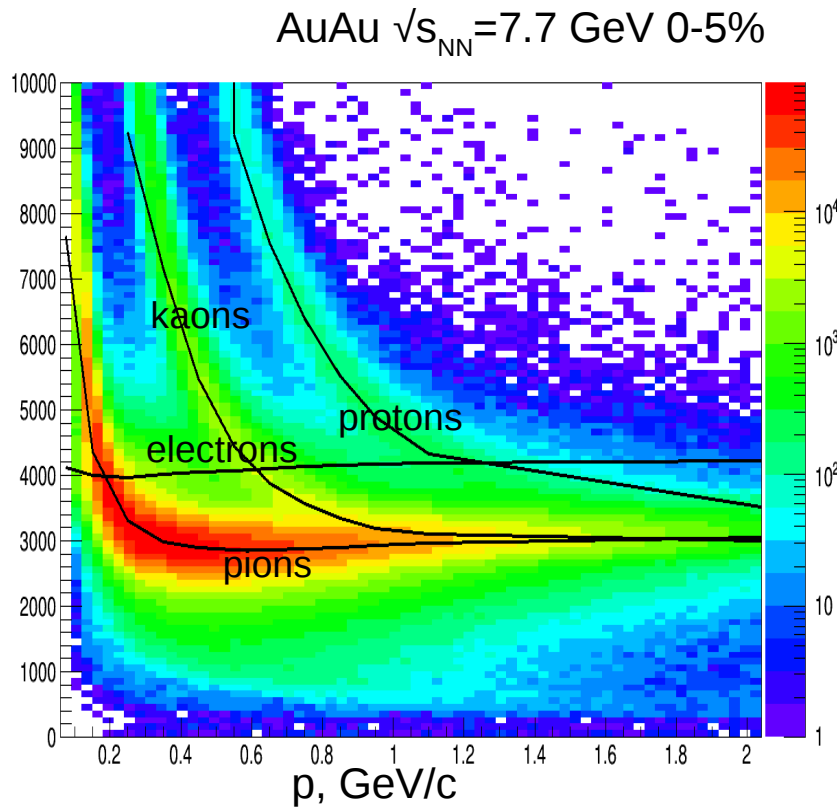
- About 15% of tracks got lost after cuts

TPC ionization energy loss



- Previous (left) and new (right) results looks similar
- It is possible that new results show less background ?

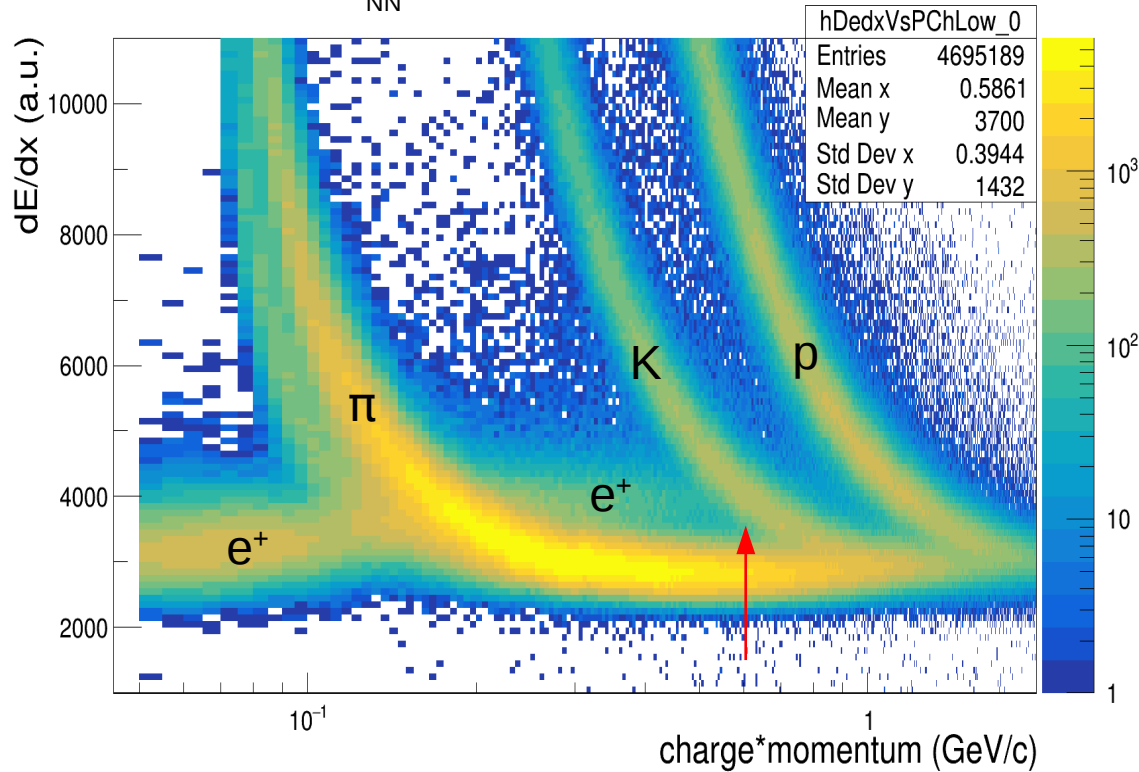
TPC energy loss MPD and ALICE



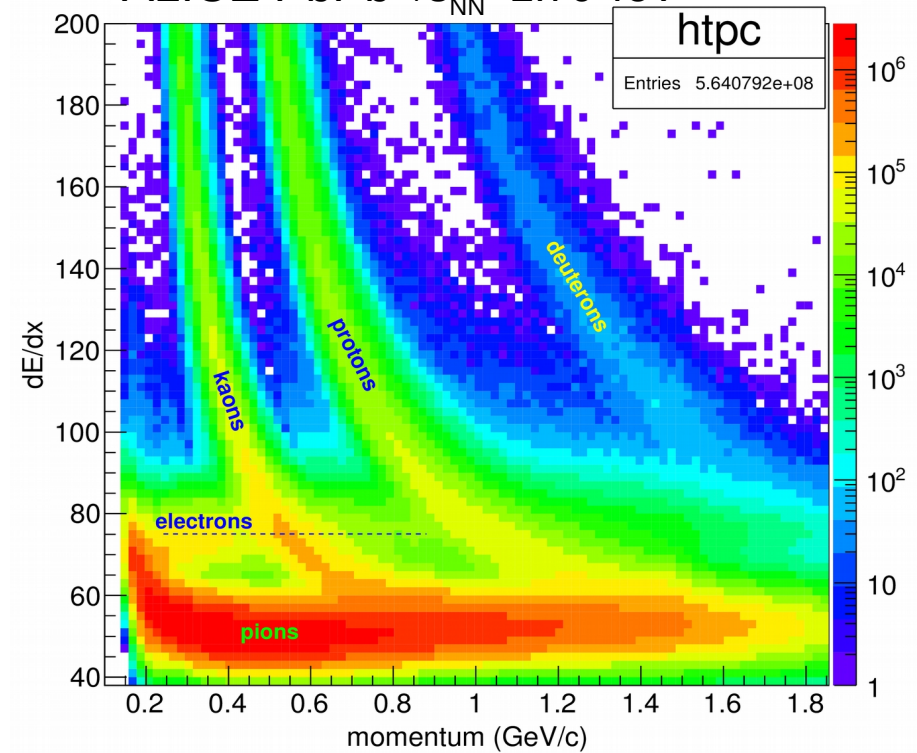
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TPC energy loss MPD and ALICE

AuAu $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=11.5$ GeV 0-5%



ALICE PbPb $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.76$ TeV



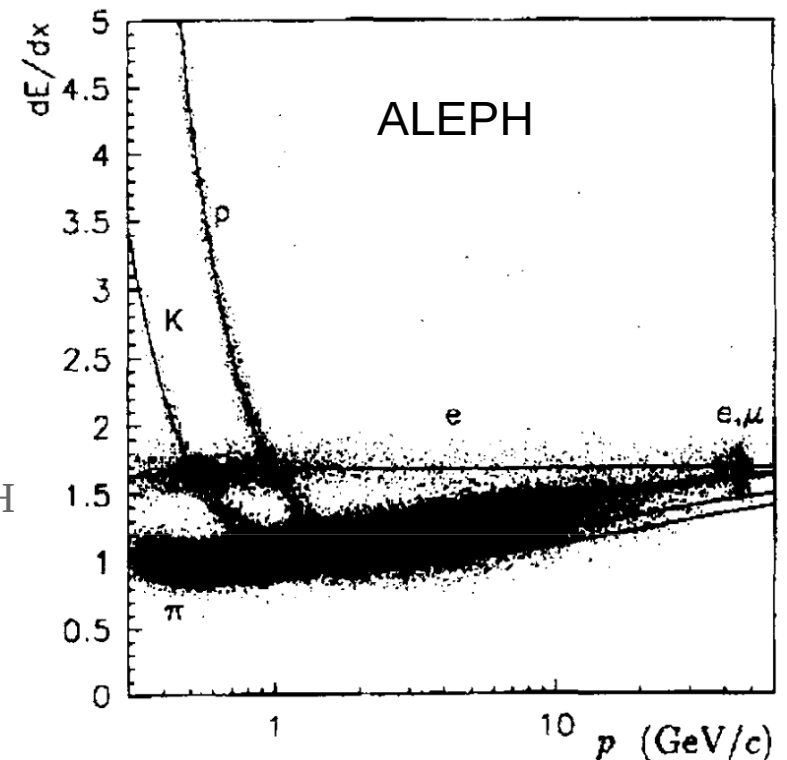
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Nsigma PID procedure

- The value of mean and σ is obtained from the projection TPC dE/dx for each given momentum
 - Truncation procedure is used:
Initially dE/dx is Landau distributed; but long tail influences particle separation
 - Data were truncated:
 - the fit was done in the region \pm RMS of the maximum position of energy loss distribution
 - data distribution became Gaussian-like
- The procedure is done separately for each particle.
- The data obtained are fit using the Bethe-Bloch energy loss formula in ALEPH parametrization:

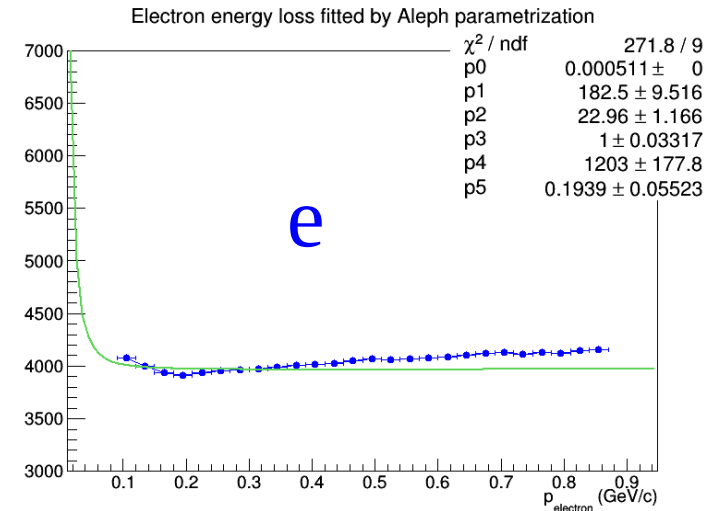
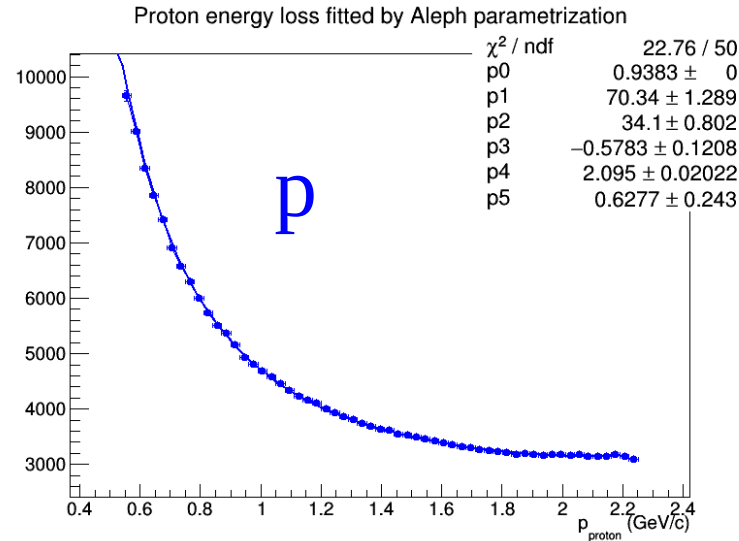
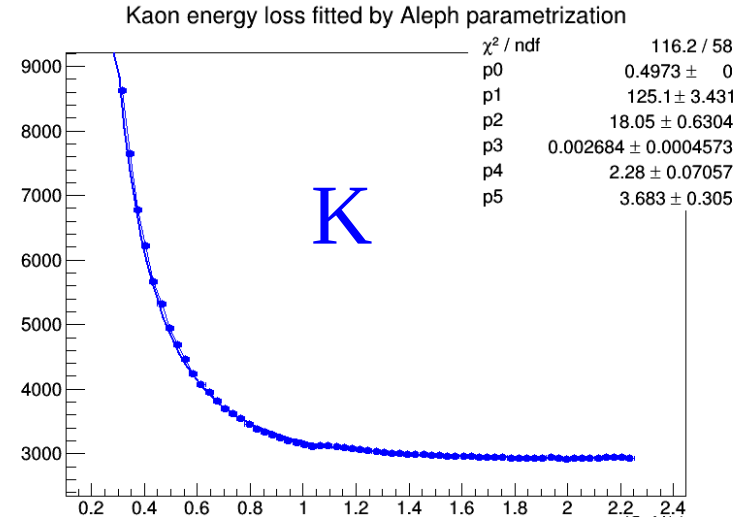
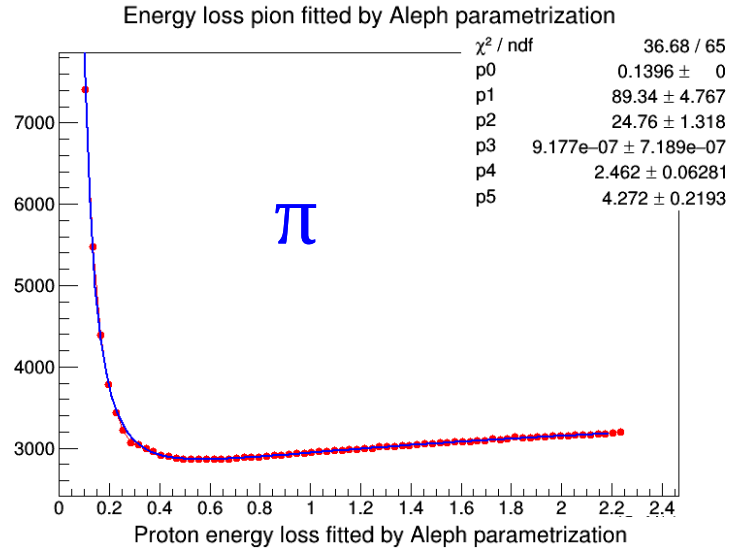
$$f(\beta\gamma) = \frac{P_1}{\beta^{P_4}} \cdot \left\{ P_2 - \beta^{P_4} - \ln \left[P_3 + \frac{1}{(\beta\gamma)^{P_5}} \right] \right\}$$

[ALEPH Collaboration, D. Buskulic et al., “Performance of the ALEPH detector at LEP,” Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A360 (1995) 481–506.]



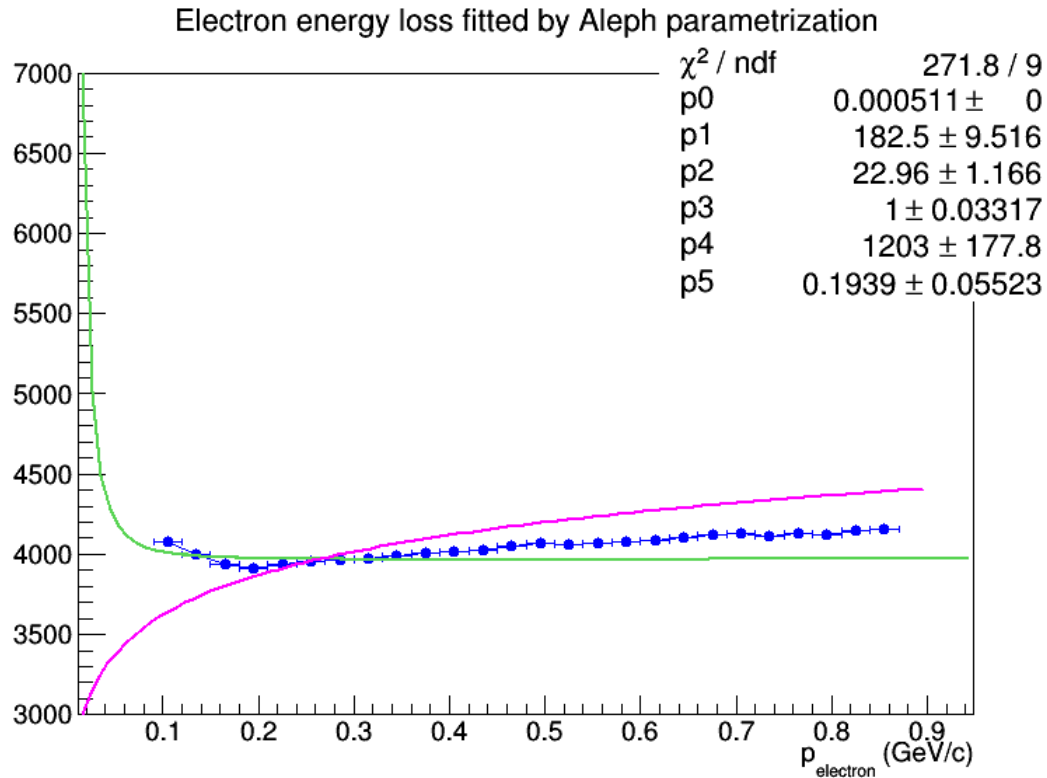
Example of MPD TPC energy loss parametrization

AuAu $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7$ GeV 0-5%



- ALEPH fit does very good job for π , K and p
- The problem is only for electrons

Fit problem for electrons



- MC dE/dx vs momentum for e
- **Green** – fit by Aleph parametrization

$$f(\beta\gamma) = \frac{P_1}{\beta^{P_4}} \cdot \left\{ P_2 - \beta^{P_4} - \ln \left[P_3 + \frac{1}{(\beta\gamma)^{P_5}} \right] \right\},$$

- The fit failed
- Bethe-Bloch calculation (**magenta**):

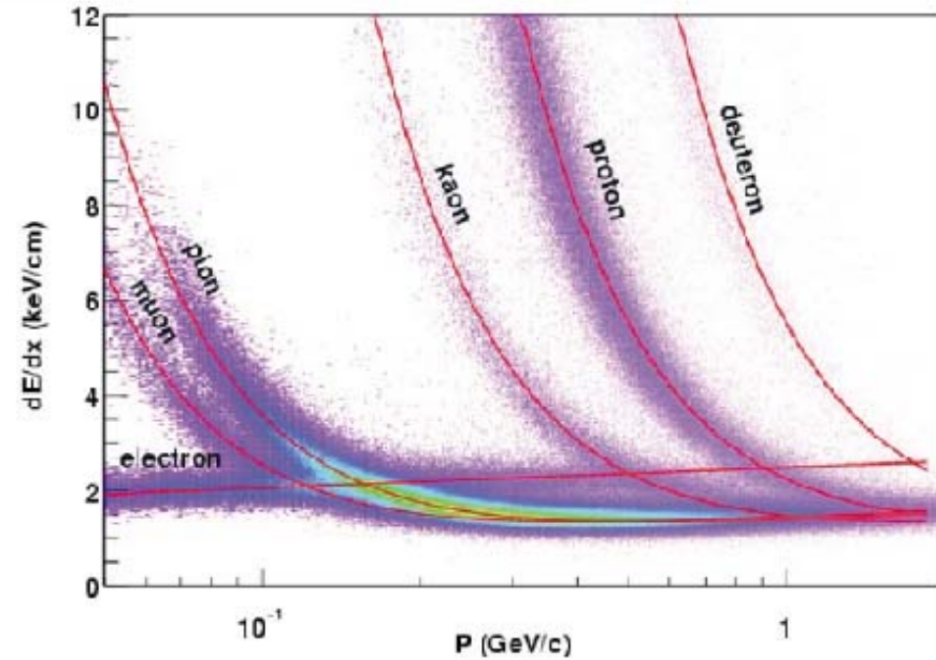
$$\left\langle -\frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle = K z^2 \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 W_{\max}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right]$$

energy loss for electrons should go down with decreasing momentum at low momenta region

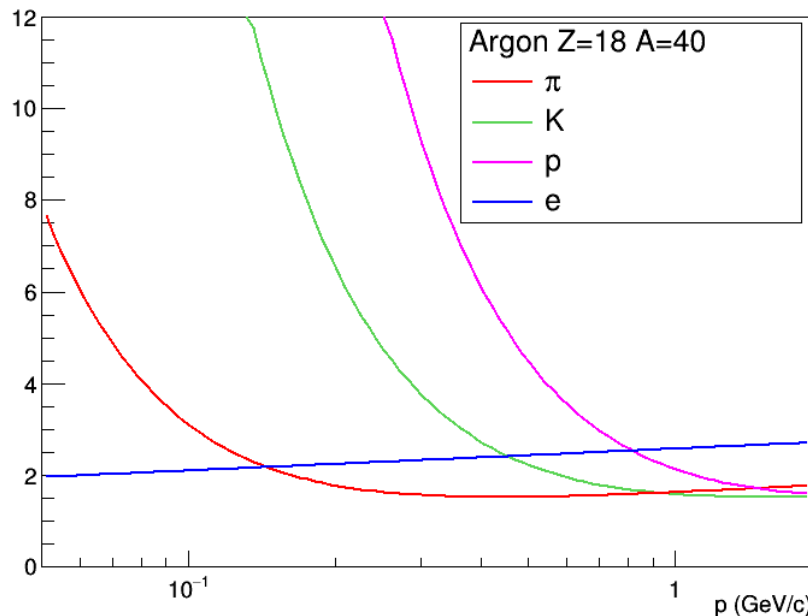
- MPD MC: ionization energy loss for electrons go up with decreasing momentum at low p

STAR and Bethe-Bloch

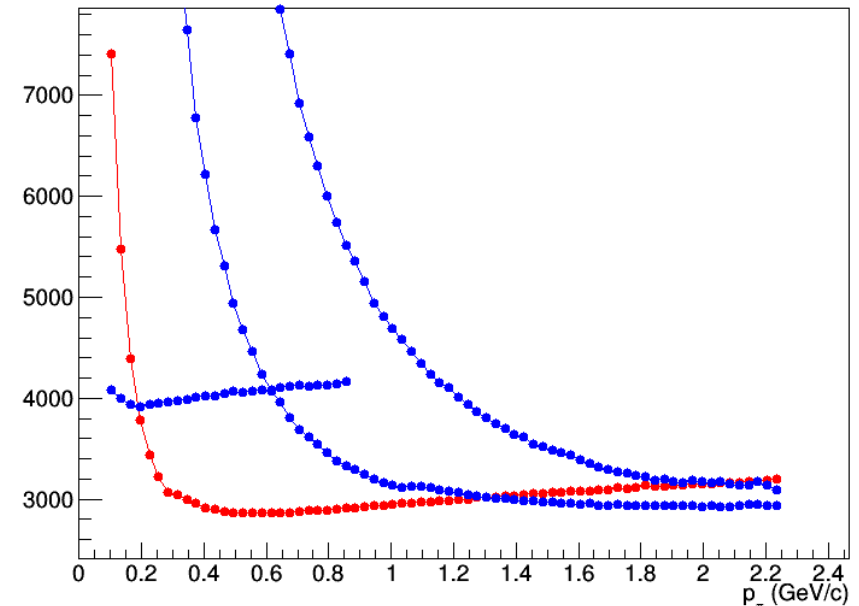
- dE/dx vs momentum in STAR TPC
- The intersection of e and K curves for STAR (and ALICE) and Bethe-Bloch calculations are at about 0.45 GeV/c
- The Bethe-Bloch formula for Ar gas shows same result (STAR TPC: 90%Ar+10%CH₄)
- ALICE&STAR: GEANT3 is not optimal for TPC dE/dx simulations
- MPD e and K at 0.6 GeV/c : GEANT3 (see A.Zinchenko talk)



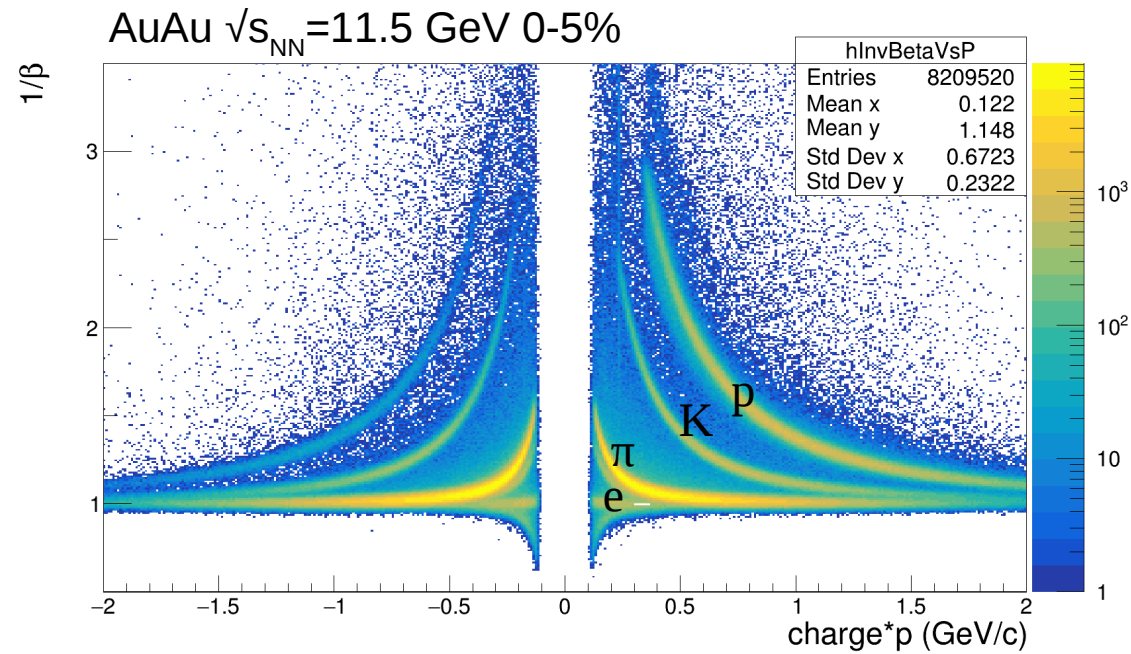
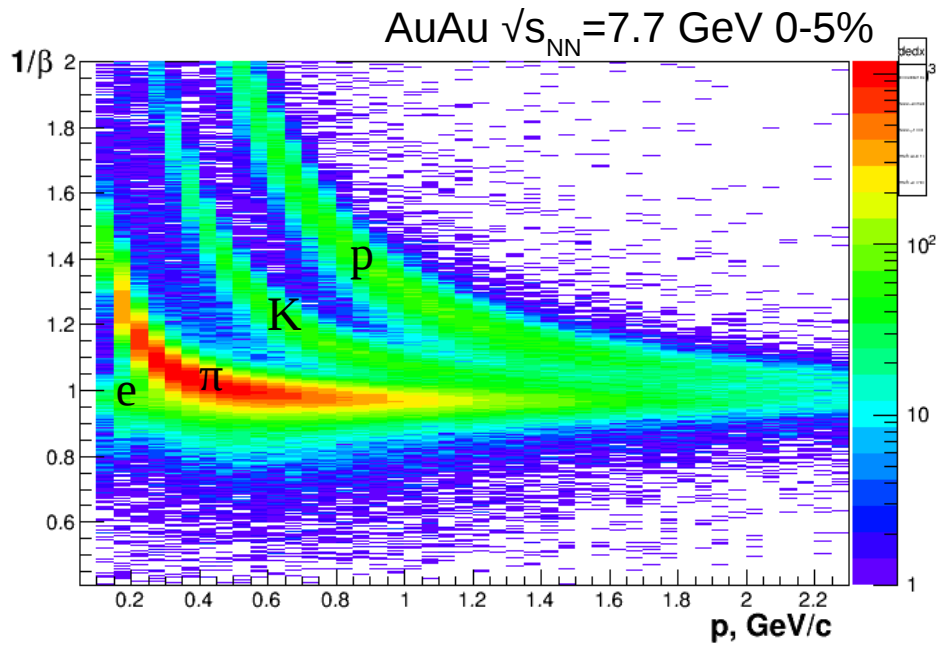
Energy loss by Bethe-Bloch equation



Energy loss pion fitted by Aleph parametrization



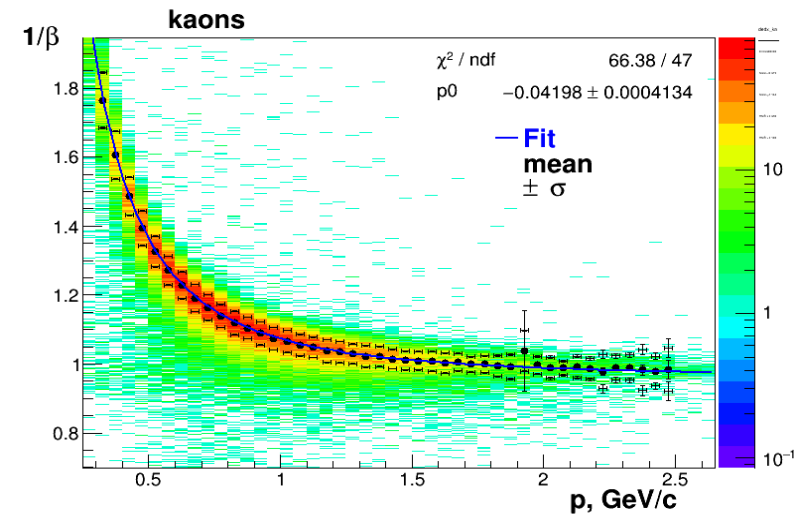
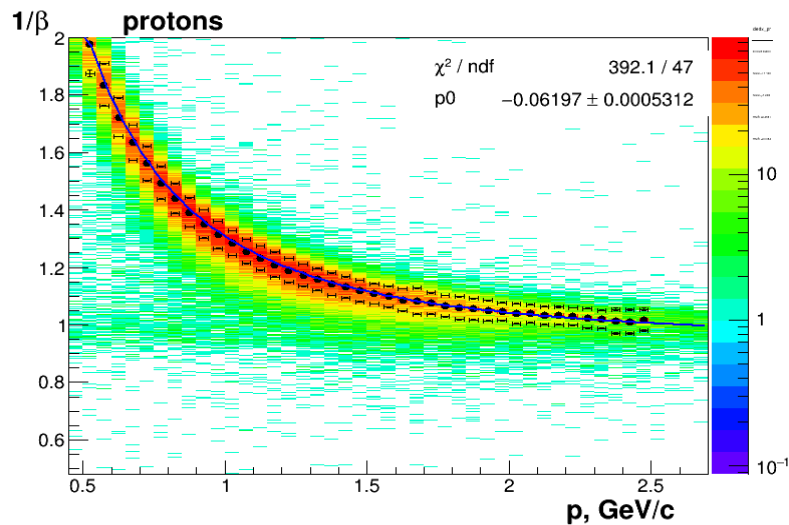
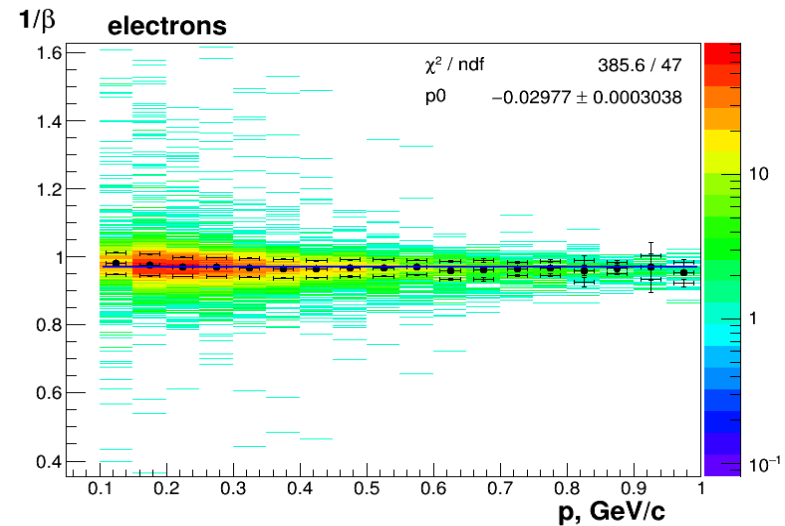
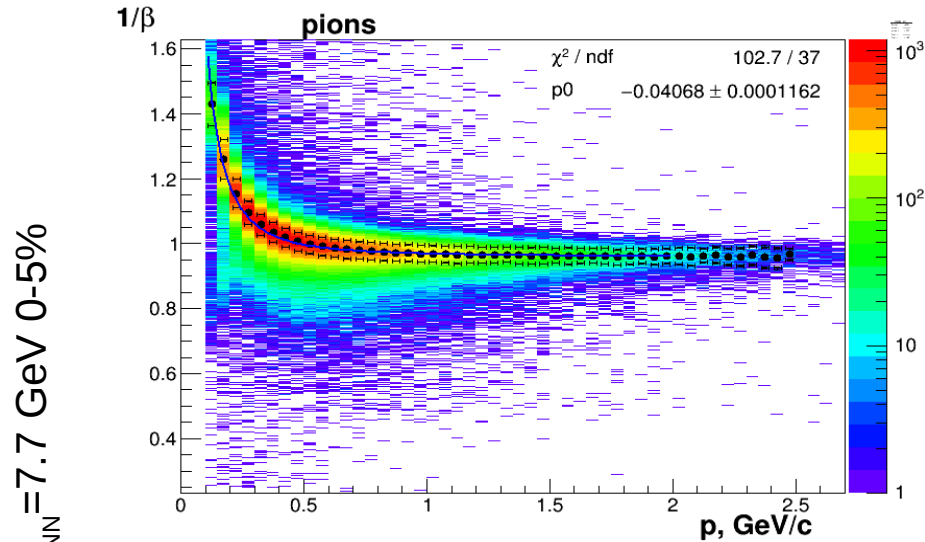
TOF response



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$N\sigma$ for TOF signal

- TOF vs p is fit with hyperbolic function with additional parameter: $\frac{1}{\beta} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{m}{p}\right)^2} + p_0$
- The value of sigma is obtained from the projection for each momentum
- TOF $N\sigma$'s are not in DST (TPC $N\sigma$'s are in DST, but they are junk)



Bayesian PID

- Bayesian probability:

$$P(i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_{dE/dx}} \exp\left(-\frac{((dE/dx)_{\text{meas}} - (dE/dx)_{\text{BB},i})^2}{2\sigma_{dE/dx}^2}\right)$$

- Weight:

$$w(i) = \frac{C(i)P(i)}{\sum_k P(k)w(k)}, \quad C(i) = \text{a priori probabilities.}$$

for now: $C(i) = 1, w(i) > 0.9$

- Efficiency of the identification of type i:

$$\epsilon_i(p) = \frac{dN_{ii}^{\text{meas}}/dp}{dN_i/dp}$$

N_{ii}^{meas} – particles identified as type i

N_i – all generated particles type i

- Purity:

$$f_i(p) = \frac{dN_{ii}^{\text{true}}/dp}{dN_i^{\text{meas}}/dp}$$

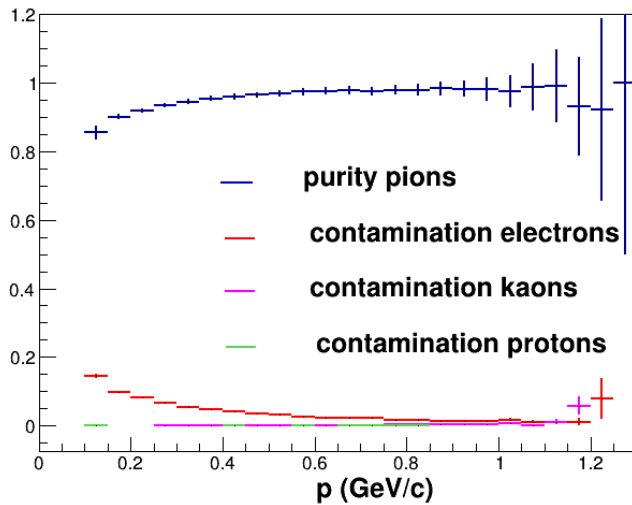
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Bayesian PID performance: pions

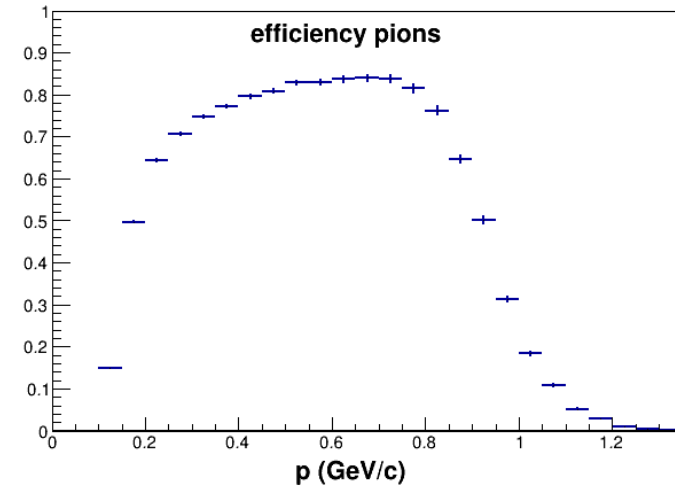
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Purity and contamination

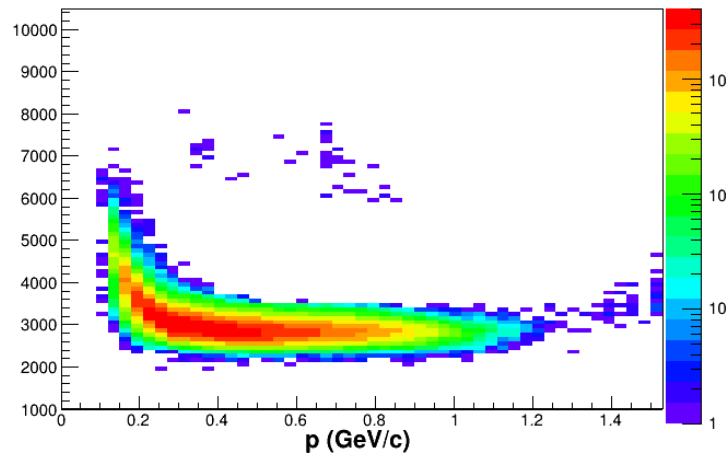


- Purity is about 0.95
- Purity decreases:
 - at low momenta due to **electron** contamination;
 - at $p > 1$ GeV/c due to **Kaon** contamination.
- Efficiency significantly decreases at $p < 0.3$ and $p > 0.8$ GeV/c

Efficiency

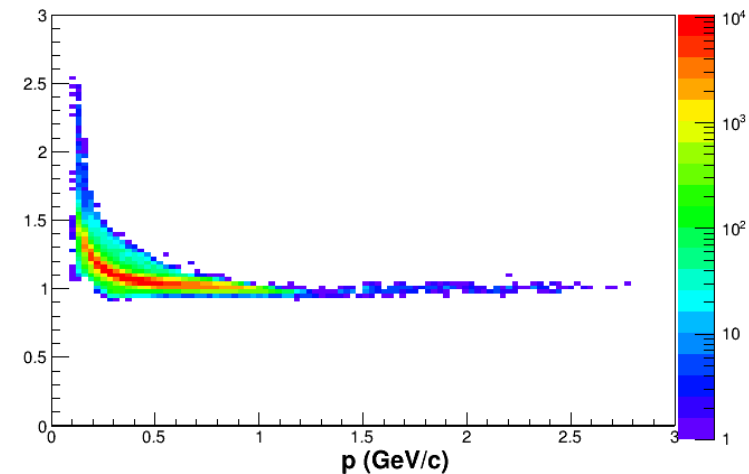


dE/dx of selected pions



- A little contamination can be seen at TPC plot
- TOF plot looks clean enough

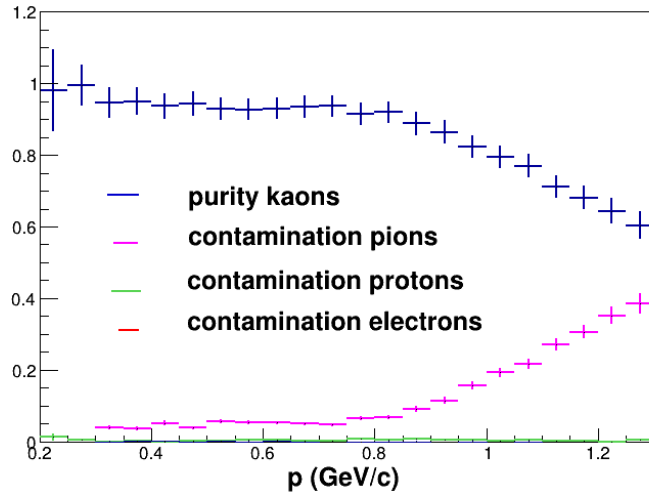
1/β of selected pions



Bayesian PID performance: kaons

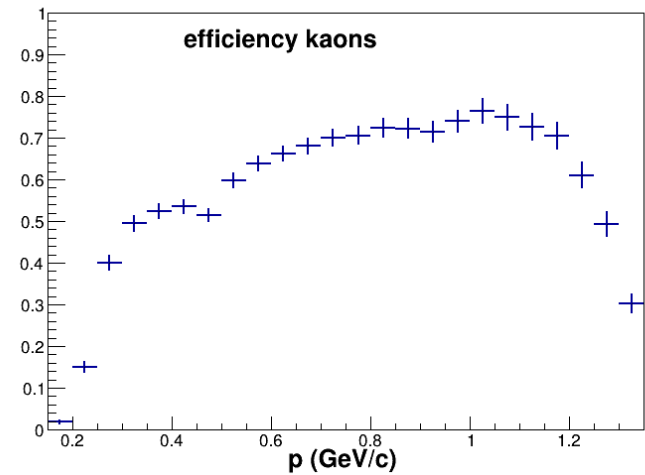
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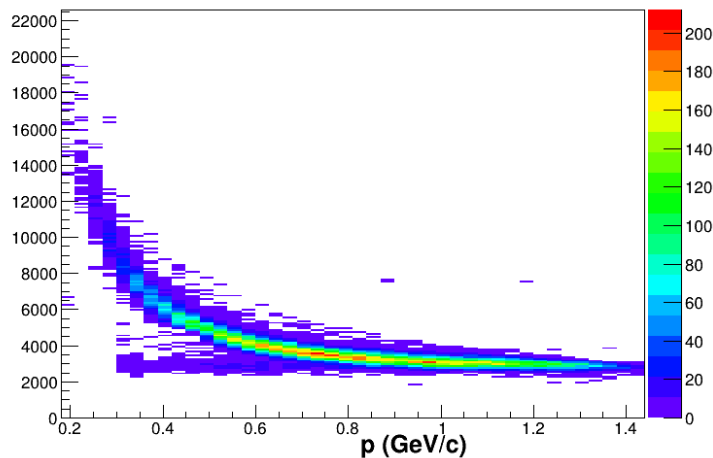


- Purity is about 0.95
- Purity decreases starting from $p > 0.8$ GeV/c → due to pion contamination; electron contamination is negligible
- Efficiency is not flat
Maximum value is ~ 0.75

Efficiency

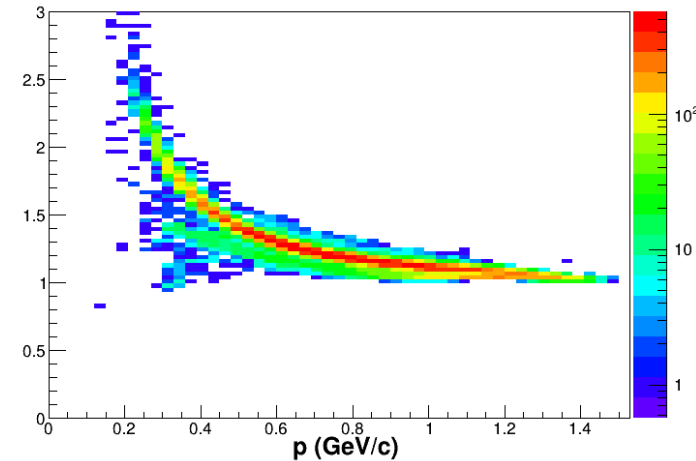


dE/dx of selected kaons



- π contamination is seen at both TPC and TOF plot

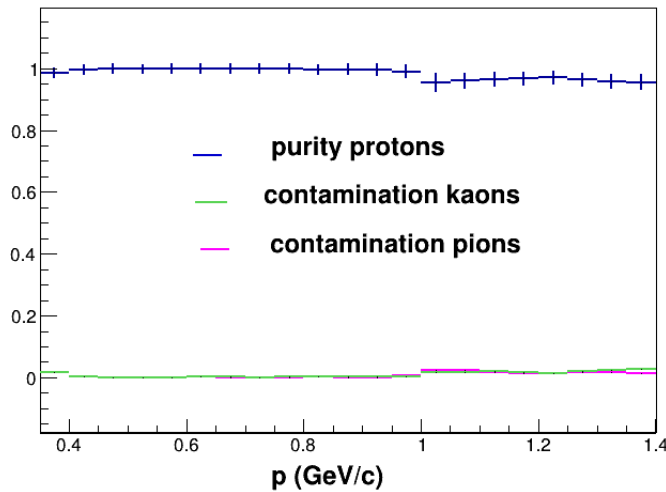
$1/\beta$ of selected kaons



Bayesian PID performance: protons

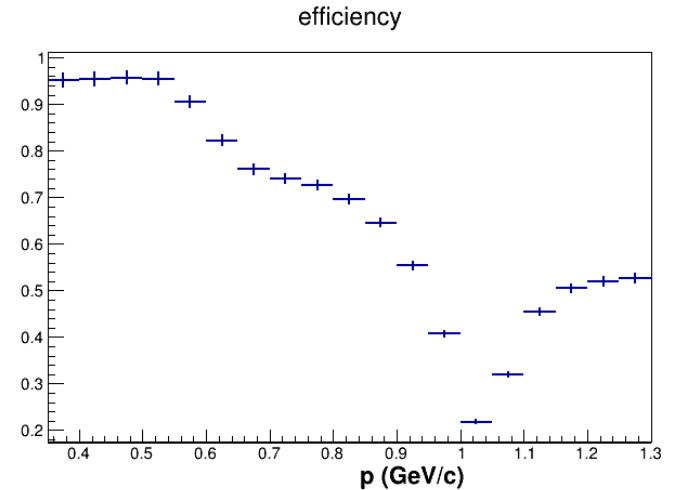
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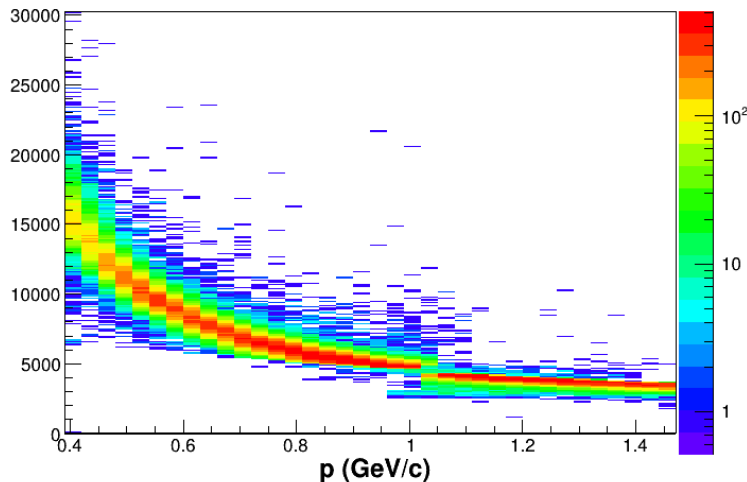


- Purity is rather stable ~ 1
- K, π contamination is at $p > 1$ GeV/c
- Efficiency is not flat; $0.95 < p < 0.55$ GeV/c; minimum around $p = 1$ GeV/c

Efficiency

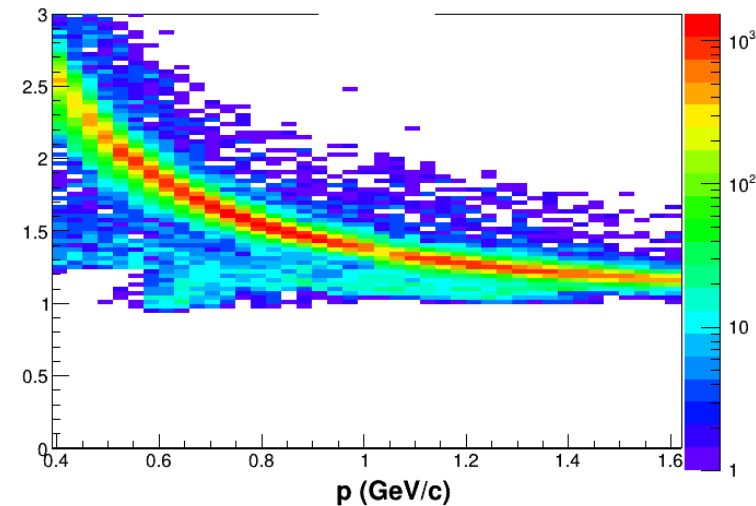


dE/dx of selected protons



- Some contamination is seen at TPC and TOF plot

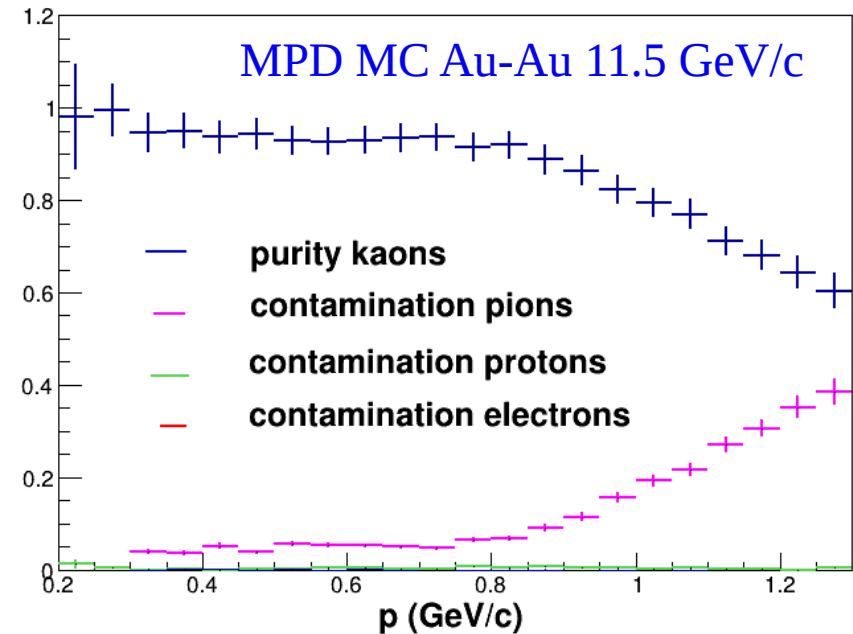
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Kaon purity and contamination

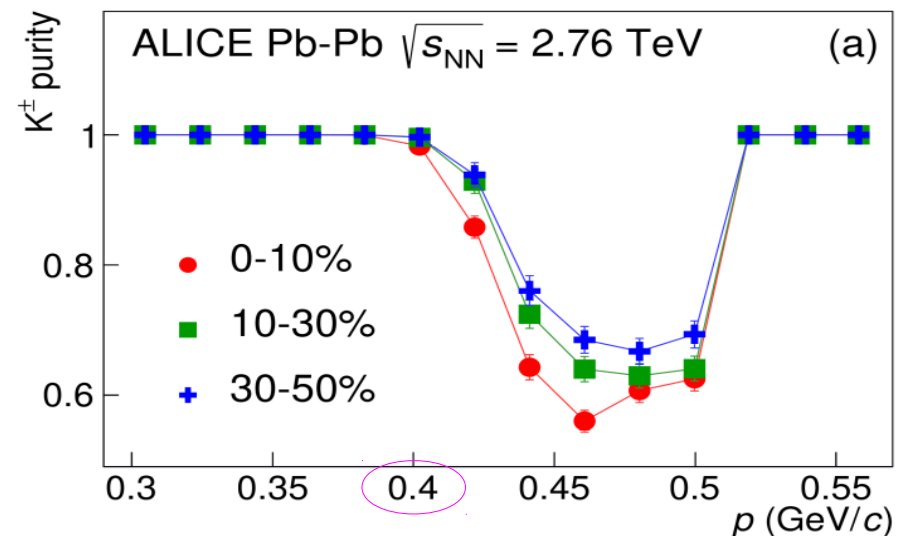
MPD MC (Bayesian PID)

- Kaon purity ~ 0.95 at $p < 0.8$ GeV/c
- Purity drops down starting from $p \sim 0.8$ GeV/c and reaches value about 0.6 at $p \sim 1.3$ GeV/c
- The main contamination is due to pions
- **Electron** contamination is negligible



ALICE (Nsigma PID)

- Purity is about 1 in wide momentum range
- The major contamination is due to electrons
- Purity drops down to 0.6 at $0.4 < p < 0.5$ GeV/c
- Significant difference is found between purity and contamination in ALICA data and MPD MC



Conclusions

- The first tests of Monte Carlo production (generator+GEANT+reconstruction) of Au-Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=11.5$ GeV (and previous $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=7.7$ GeV) within the vHLE model are presented.
- The results of particle identification using ionization energy loss (dE/dx) in the TPC is shown.
- The technical issues of generating a response (energy loss) of the TPC is discussed.
- The time-of-flight information ($1/\beta$) from TOF in the MPD experimental setup are shown.
- Bayesian PID performance was shown.
Significant difference is found between kaon purity and contamination in ALICA data and MPD MC.

Thank you for you attention!!!

Backup slides

Bethe-Bloch Parameterization

Bethe Bloch Function (BBF): mean energy loss per unit path length

$$\left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle = K z^2 \frac{Z}{A \beta^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2 m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_{max}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta \gamma)}{2} \right]$$

Parametrization (Aleph Parametrization)

$$\left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle = \frac{p_0}{\beta^{p_3}} \left[p_1 - \beta^{p_3} - \ln \left(p_2 + \frac{1}{(\beta \gamma)^{p_4}} \right) \right]$$

$$\beta \gamma = \frac{\text{momentum}}{\text{mass}}$$

$$\beta = \frac{\beta \gamma}{\sqrt{1 + (\beta \gamma)^2}}$$

The corrected Bethe-Bloch Function with Aleph parameterization

```
Double_t BetheBlochAlephFunc(Double_t *x, Double_t *par) {
    Double_t p=x[0]; //kaon momentum
    Double_t mass=par[0]; //Mass of particle 0.4937; //GeV/c2
    Double_t beta=p/TMath::Sqrt(p*p+mass*mass);
```

```
    //parameters from debugger
    Double_t kp1=par[1];
    Double_t kp2=par[2];
    Double_t kp3=par[3];
    Double_t kp4=par[4];
    Double_t kp5=par[5];
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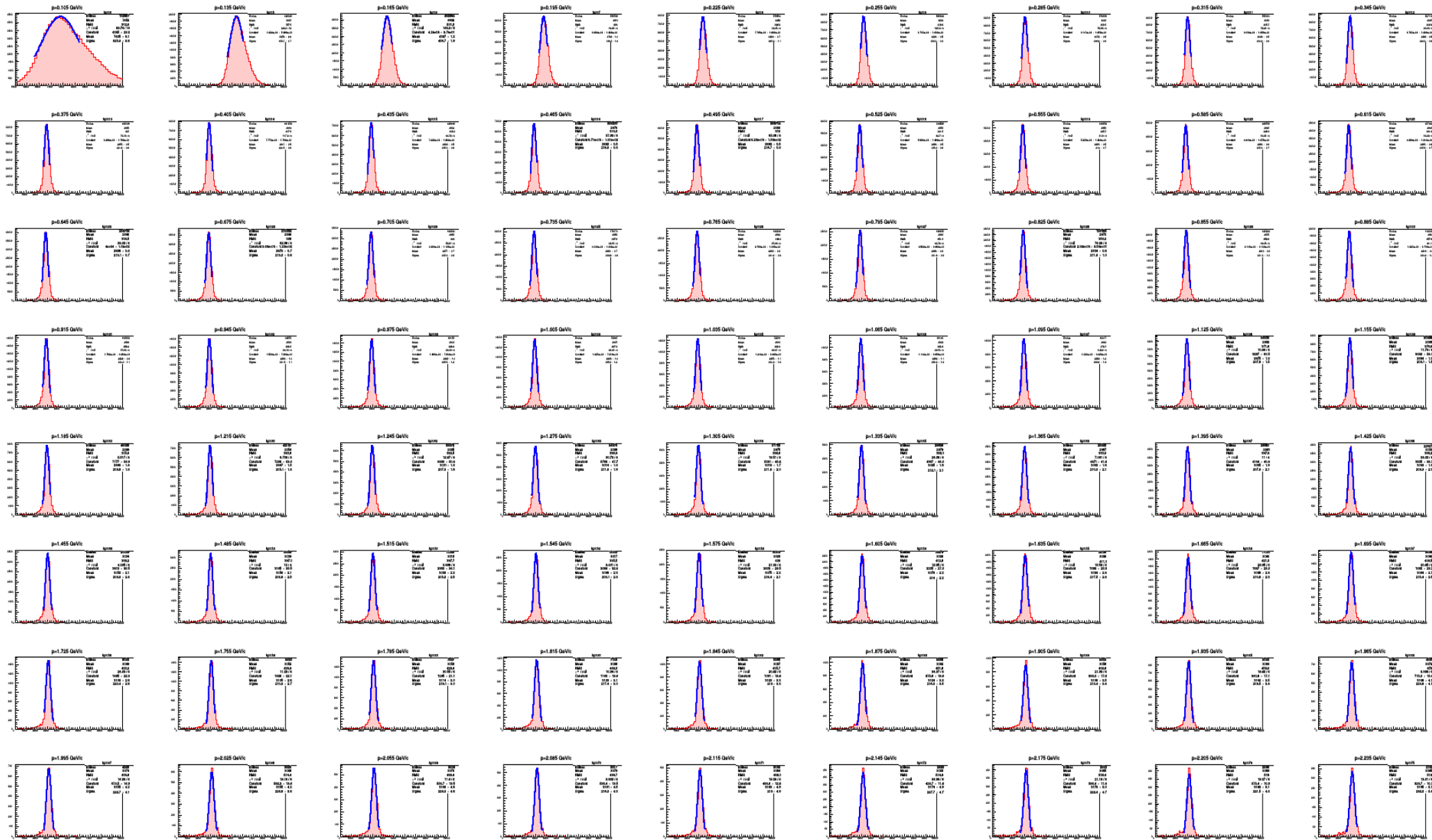
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    Double_t aa = TMath::Power(beta,kp4);
    Double_t bb = TMath::Power(1./bg,kp5);
```

```
    bb=TMath::Log(kp3+bb);
    Double_t dMip=50.; //fMip in AliTPCPIDResponse.cxx. Correct?
    return (kp2-aa-bb)*kp1/aa; //dMip;
```

It was find that parameterization used in MPDroot was different :

```
Float_t BetheBlochFunction(Float_t x, Float_t *p) {
    Float_t b = 1 / (x / TMath::Sqrt(1 + x * x));
    return p[0] / TMath::Power(b, p[3]) * (p[1] - TMath::Power(b, p[3]) -
    TMath::Log(p[2] + TMath::Power(1 / x, p[4])));
}
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dE/dx distributions for pions



p (0.09, 2.25) GeV/c, 72 slices ; Blue color – Gaussian fit region : Maximum +/- RMS

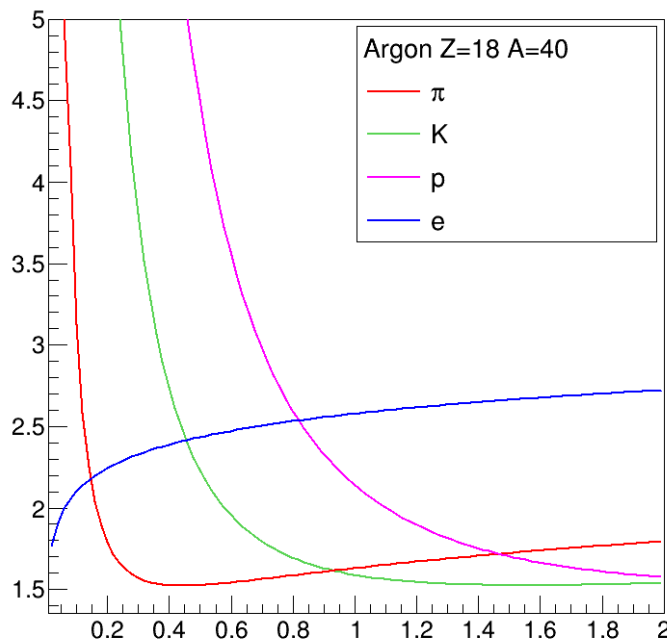
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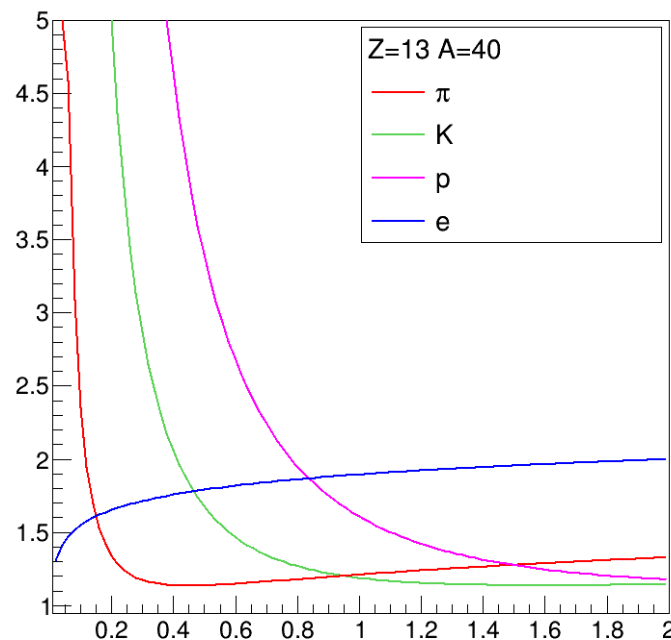
To estimate $\langle dE/dx \rangle$ by BB equation Ar was used (STAR: 90%Ar+10%CH₄)

The intersection curves weakly dependent on the gas mixture (vary $Z \pm 5$)

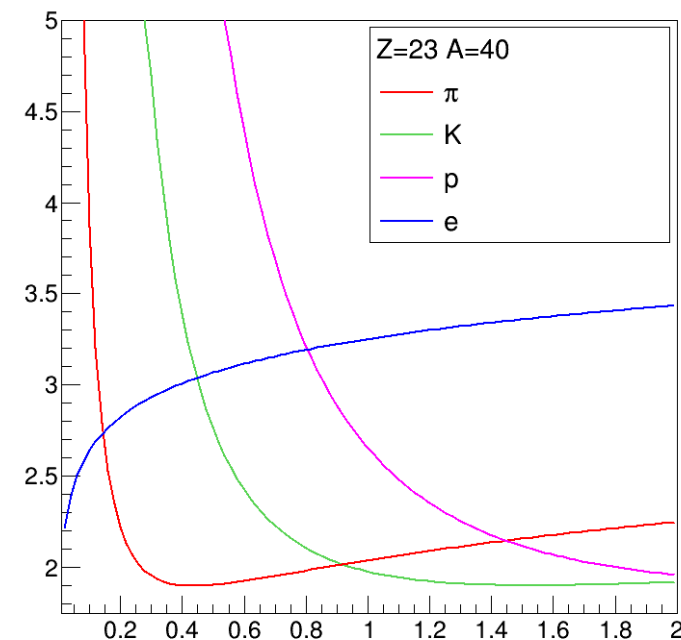
Energy loss by Bethe-Bloch equation



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The intersection of K and electrons is about momentum 450 MeV/c

Bayesian PID: selected kaons in TPC

