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Background Studies for GPD Measurements with Antiproton Scattering

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Introduction

Antiproton Scattering: Measure space like GPDs with PANDA as they are currently studied i.e. in hard exclusive electroproduction experiments @ JLAB

Physics content: spatial structure of the nucleon, pressure distributions, shear forces, ...

Experimental method: Lepton-pair production in hard exclusive hadronic collisions

$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow p\bar{p}l^+l^-$$

→ Exclusive analogue of the Drell-Yan process

Theoretical Description

Lepton-pair production in hard exclusive hadron-hadron collisions

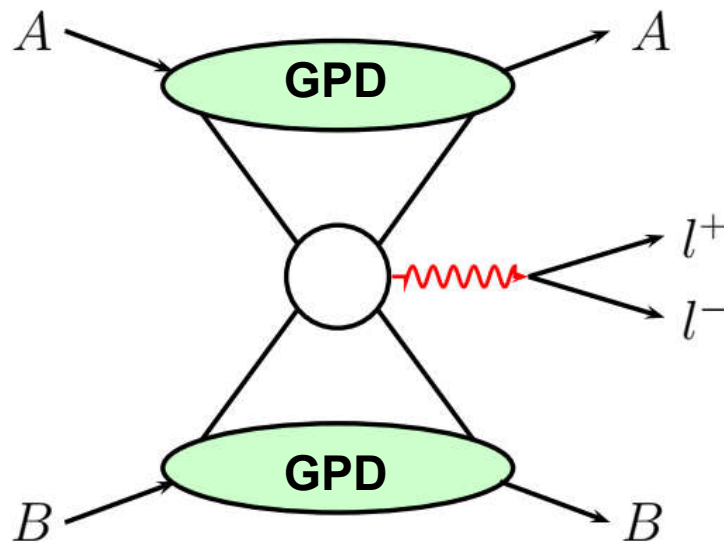
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Double handbag for exclusive lepton-pair production in hadron-hadron collisions

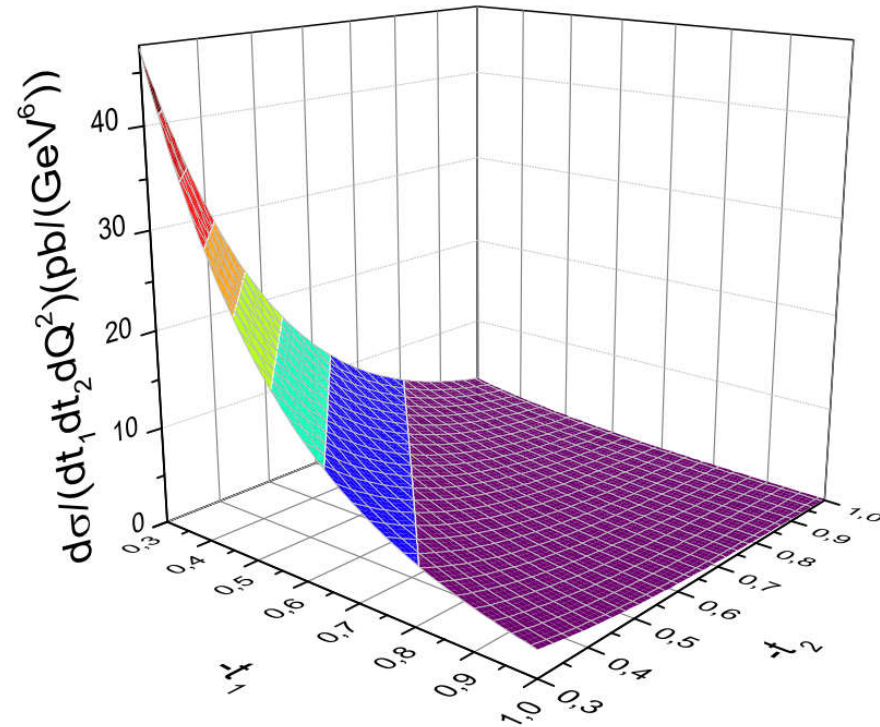
Observables

$$t_1 = (p_{\text{target}} - p'_p)^2$$

$$t_2 = (p_{\text{beam}} - p'_{\bar{p}})^2$$

$$Q^2 = p_{\gamma^*}^2 = (p_{e^+} + p_{e^-})^2$$

factorisation for: $\frac{t_i}{Q^2} \ll 1$



The $pp\bar{p} \rightarrow pp\bar{p}l^+l^-$ cross section in pb/GeV^6 versus t_1 and t_2
 $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$, $Q^2 = 3 \text{ GeV}^2$

Feasibility Studies

→ PANDARoot simulations with a phase space event generator

2 final states have been studied: $p\bar{p} \rightarrow p\bar{p}\gamma^* \rightarrow \begin{cases} p\bar{p}e^+e^- \\ p\bar{p}\mu^+\mu^- \end{cases}$

→ It was found, that only the e^+e^- final state is feasible since the high muon momenta are mostly outside the PID range of the PANDA muon system (see my talk at the May CM)

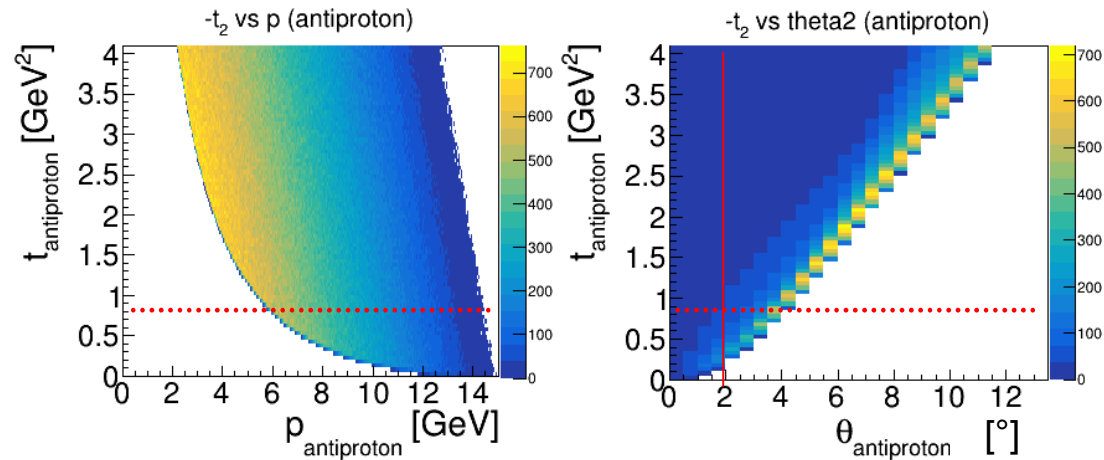
2 beam momenta have been studied: $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$ ($p \sim 9.7 \text{ GeV}/c$)
 $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$ ($p \sim 15 \text{ GeV}/c$)

→ Smaller beam momenta can not provide sufficiently high Q^2

→ Feasibility for $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$ has been shown at the last CM

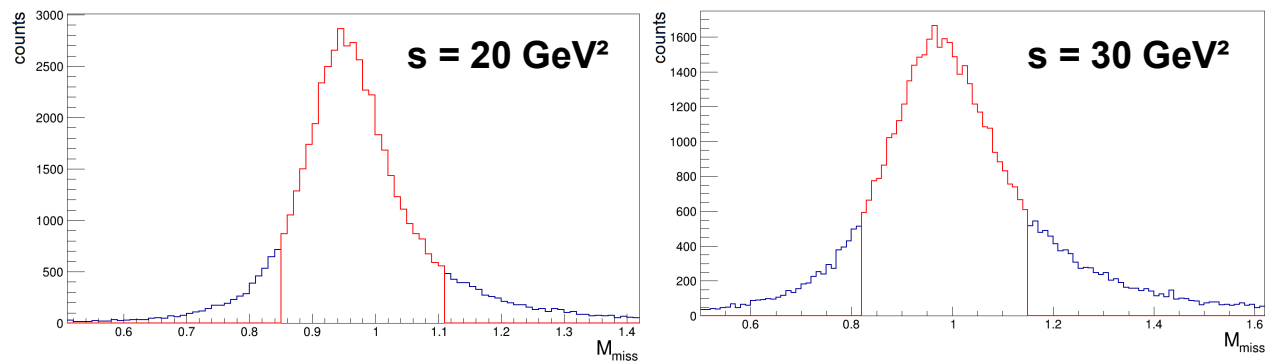
Generated Antiproton Distributions vs $-t$

$s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$



→ Detection of the antiproton is not required

→ Reconstruction via the missing antiproton mass



→ Results after Bremsstrahlungscorrection

Expected Background

Main background channel: $p\bar{p} \rightarrow p\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^-$

Signal: $p\bar{p} \rightarrow p\bar{p}\gamma^* \rightarrow \begin{cases} p\bar{p}e^+e^- \\ p\bar{p}\mu^+\mu^- \end{cases}$ A good lepton PID is essential!

→ Background studies for $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$ have been performed.

→ > 1 B two pion background events ($t_{1,2} < 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$) have been simulated.

Cross section estimates for the main background channel:

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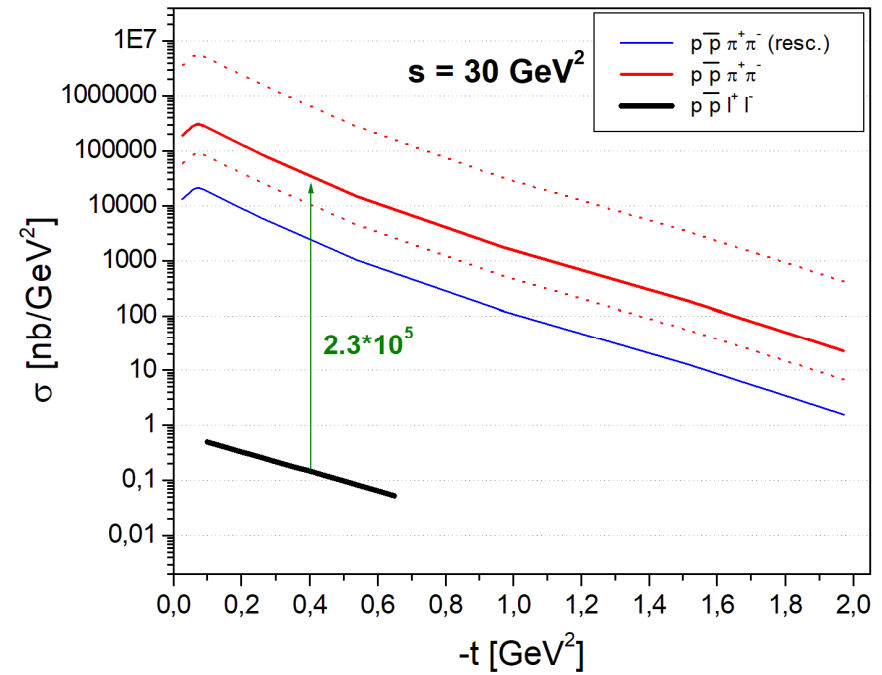
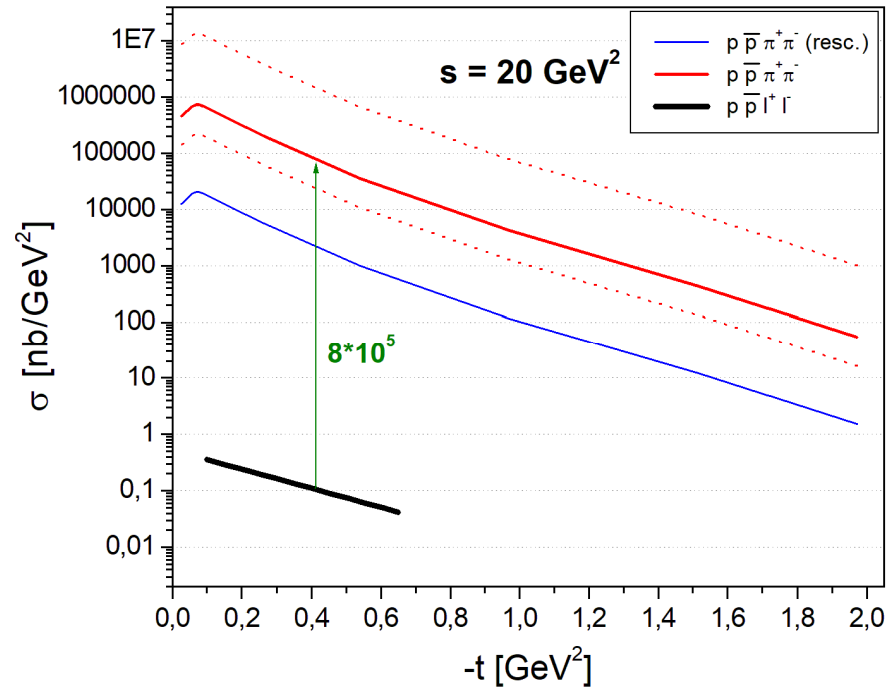
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Low-energy pion–pion scattering in the $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$ and $p\bar{p} \rightarrow p\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^-$ reactions

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Background Cross Section



Signal cross sections have been integrated over the second t_1 and over the full Q^2 (assumed $1/Q^2$ dep.)

➔ Lowest background at 30 GeV²

PID Refinements and Background Suppression

- A suppression of the two pion background by $10^5 - 10^6$ is needed
- PID refinements are needed to reach this!

Two PID versions have been investigated:

- a) Cuts on the PID variables and additional detector variables
- b) A TMVA analysis including the PID and detector variables

Classical PID Refinements

Protons: 2 configurations were investigated

tight: $P_C > 0.99$ && $P_S > 0.05$

loose: $P_C > 0.99$

Electrons: $P_C > 0.99$ && $P_S > 0.19$

i. Calorimeter sampling fraction E/p

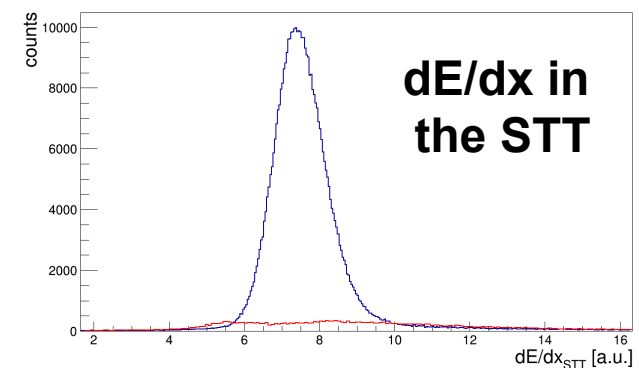
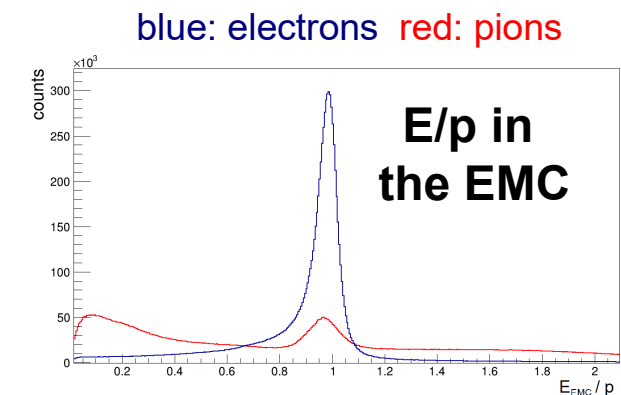
$E/p > 0.8$ + momentum dependent
3 sigma band cut

ii. Energy loss per path length dE/dx in the STT

momentum dependent 3 sigma band cut

iii. EMC E_1 $E_1 > 0.35$ GeV

iv. EMC lateral moment EMC lateral < 0.75



Effect of the Classical PID Refinements

electron (- pion):

→ Cuts are applied sequentially

	signal eff. [%]	S / BG	signal eff. [%]	S / BG
PID_C > 0.99	47,7	20	46,3	31
PID_S > 0.19	32,5	66	34,9	65
sampfrac E/p	28,6	219	25,4	198
STT dE/dx	21,4	460	16,6	456
EMC E1	17,6	707	14,5	811
EMC lateral	15,3	1293	13,2	1053

positron (- pion):

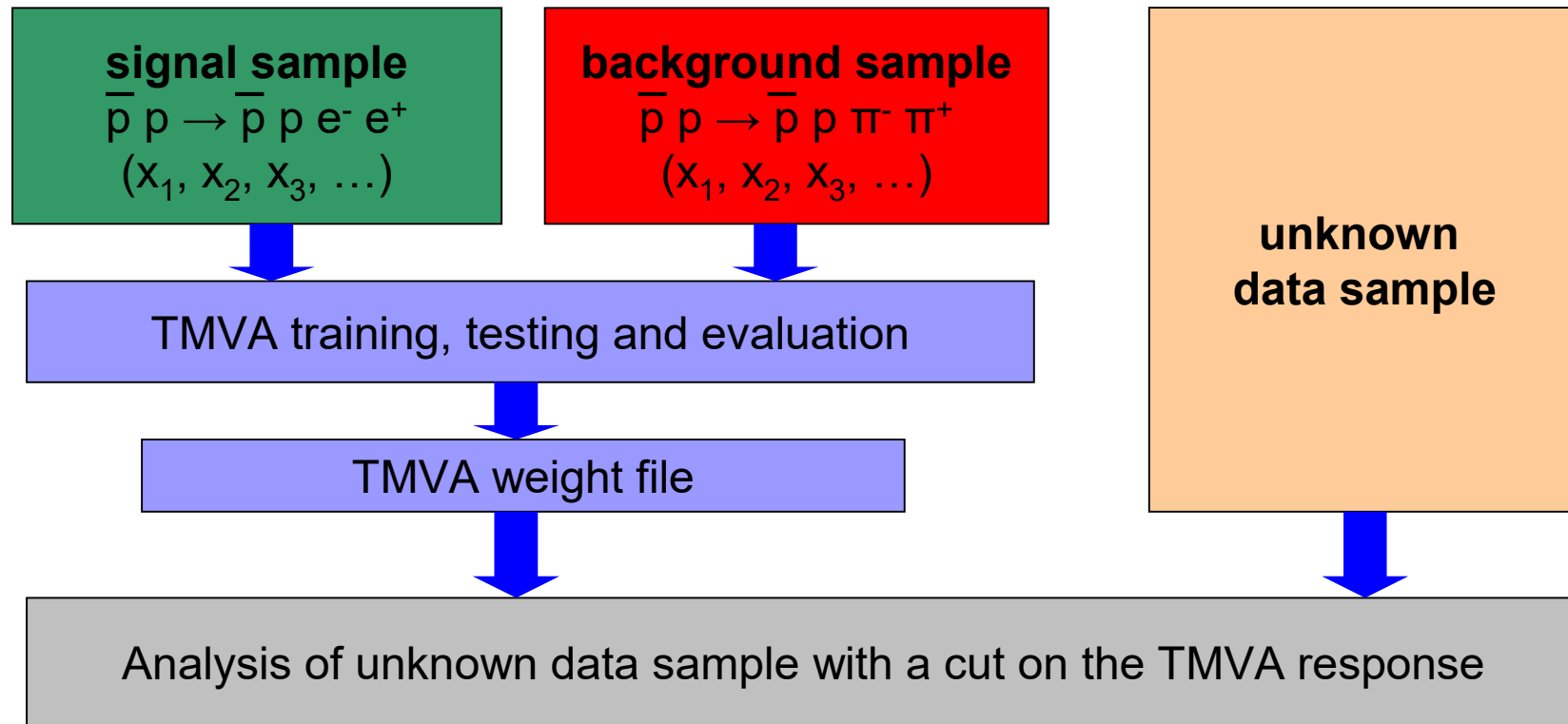
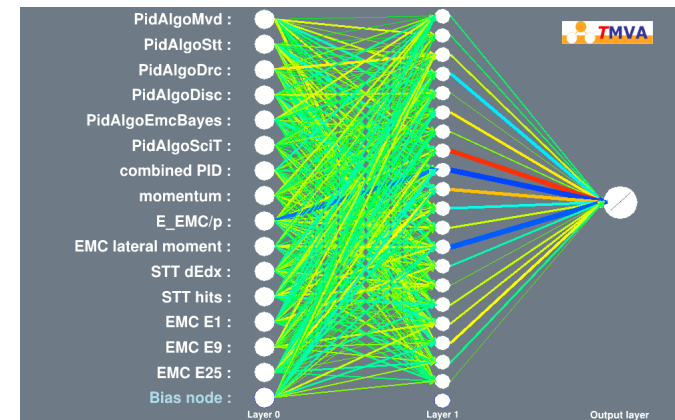
s = 20 GeV²

s = 30 GeV²

	signal eff.	S / BG	signal eff.	S / BG
PID_C > 0.99	50,3	18	52,9	8
PID_S > 0.19	36,3	43	37,8	34
sampfrac E/p	30,5	78	26,8	111
STT dE/dx	22,0	319	17,5	253
EMC E1	18,5	471	15,5	383
EMC lateral	15,8	883	13,9	548

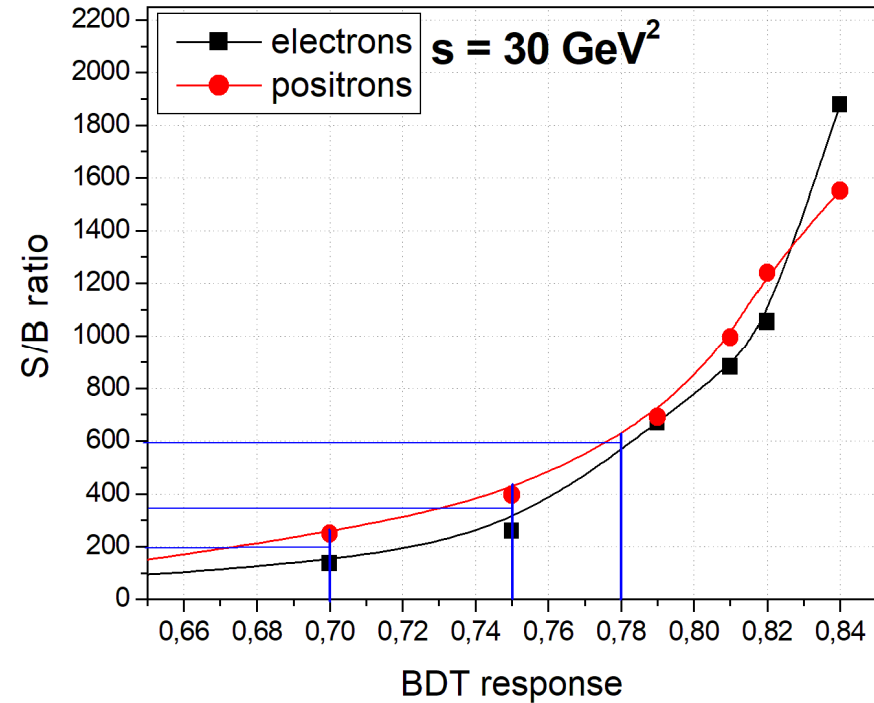
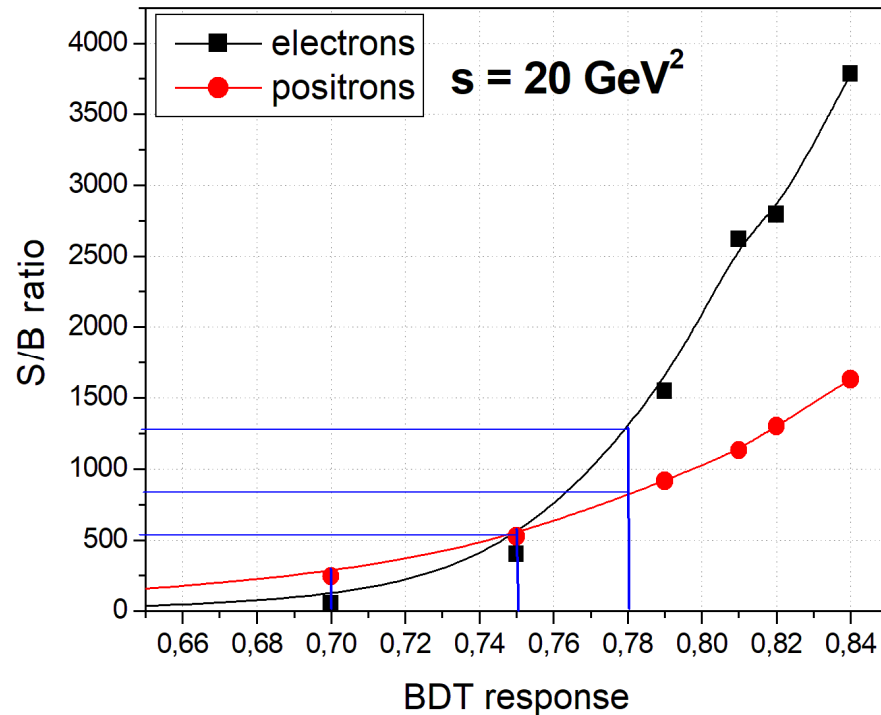
Electron / Positron PID (TMVA analysis)

→ Use machine learning to exploit correlations between the PID and detector variables



→ Best results obtained with a boosted decision tree (BDT)

Electron / Positron PID (TMVA analysis)



	BDT ele, pos	s = 20 GeV ²		s = 30 GeV ²	
		signal eff	S/B ele/pos	signal eff	S/B ele/pos
very loose	> 0.70	~ 26 %	115 / 270	~ 32 %	136 / 249
loose	> 0.75	~ 19 - 20 %	540 / 540	~ 23 %	259 / 396
standard	> 0.78	~ 11 - 16 %	1280 / 820	~ 16 %	560 / 620

S/B ratio for exclusive events @ $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$

- Select exclusive events with a cut on the missing antiproton mass
 - Select the events of interest with a cut on Q^2 , t_1 and t_2
- The expected S/B ratio is weighted with the expected cross section ratio ($2.3 \cdot 10^5$)

classical PID refinements

standard TMVA cuts

	signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B	signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t_{1,2} < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,0030	$< 3.6 \cdot 10^{-9}$	> 3.7	0,0047	$4.0 \cdot 10^{-9}$	~ 5.2
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t_{1,2} < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,0026	$< 1.1 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 1.0	0,0042	$< 1.1 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 1.6
$Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t_{1,2} < 1.0 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,0045	$< 1.0 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 2.0	0,0060	$< 1.0 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 2.6

loose TMVA cuts

2-3 times larger wrong PID rate than classical cuts

	signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1.0 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,0078	$7.9 \cdot 10^{-9}$	~ 4.3
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 0.7 \text{ GeV}$	0,0071	$< 1.1 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 2.8
$Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1.0 \text{ GeV}$	0,0093	$< 1.0 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 4.1

→ If „>“ is stated, the given background acceptances and S/B ratios are only limits, no single event of the generated BG sample (1 B events) was reconstructed!

S/B ratio for exclusive events @ $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$

→ So far protons were selected with a cut on $\text{PID}_S > 0.05$ and $\text{PID}_C > 0.99$

→ Now only $\text{PID}_C > 0.99$ is used

	classical PID refinements			loose TMVA cuts 2-3 times larger wrong PID rate than classical cuts		
	signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B	signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t_{1,2} < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,0071	$< 3.6 \cdot 10^{-9}$	> 8.7	0,017	$1.58 \cdot 10^{-8}$	~ 4.8
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t_{1,2} < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,0033	$< 1.1 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 1.3	0,0092	$< 1.1 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 3.6
$Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t_{1,2} < 1.0 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,0096	$< 1.0 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 4.2	0.021	$< 1.0 \cdot 10^{-8}$	> 9.1

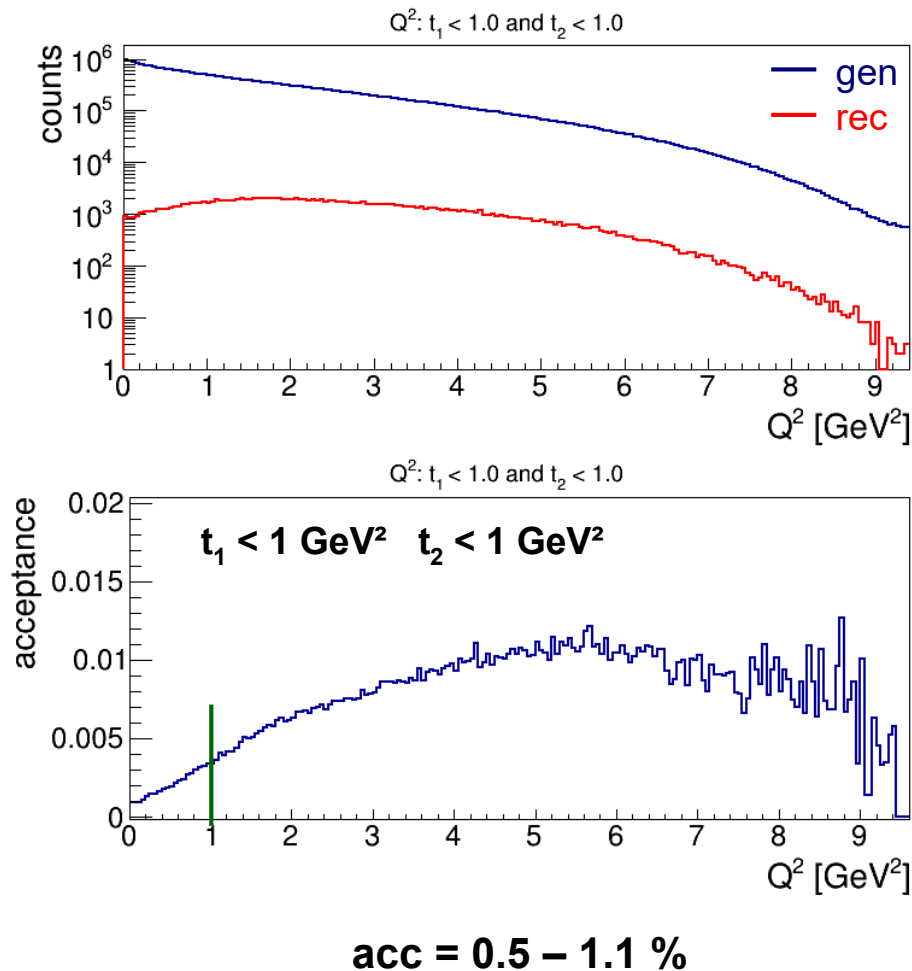
		signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B
very loose TMVA cuts 3.5 times larger wrong PID rate than classical cuts	$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1.0 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,026	$6.7 \cdot 10^{-8}$	~ 1.7
	$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 0.7 \text{ GeV}$	0,014	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-8}$	~ 2.5
	$Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1.0 \text{ GeV}$	0,031	$3.3 \cdot 10^{-8}$	~ 4.0

→ Releasing the proton cut increases the acceptance by a factor > 3

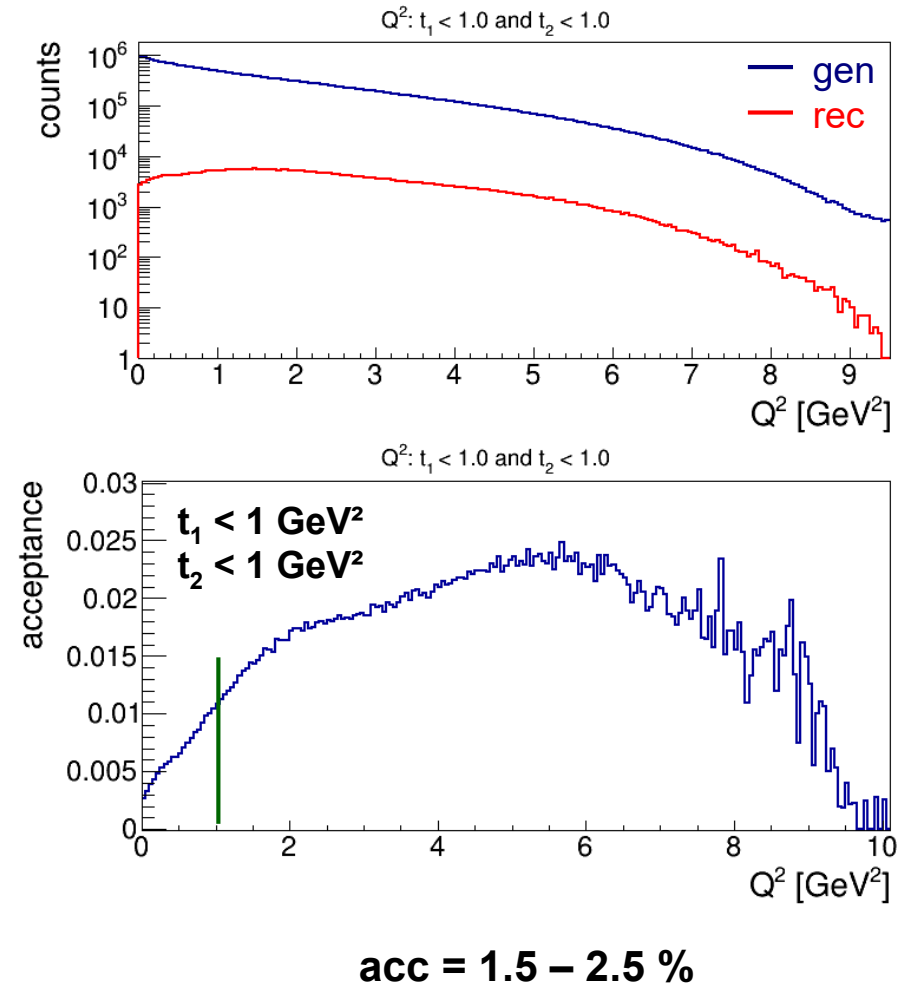
→ S/B ratio stays comparable / improves slightly

Q^2 acceptance @ $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$

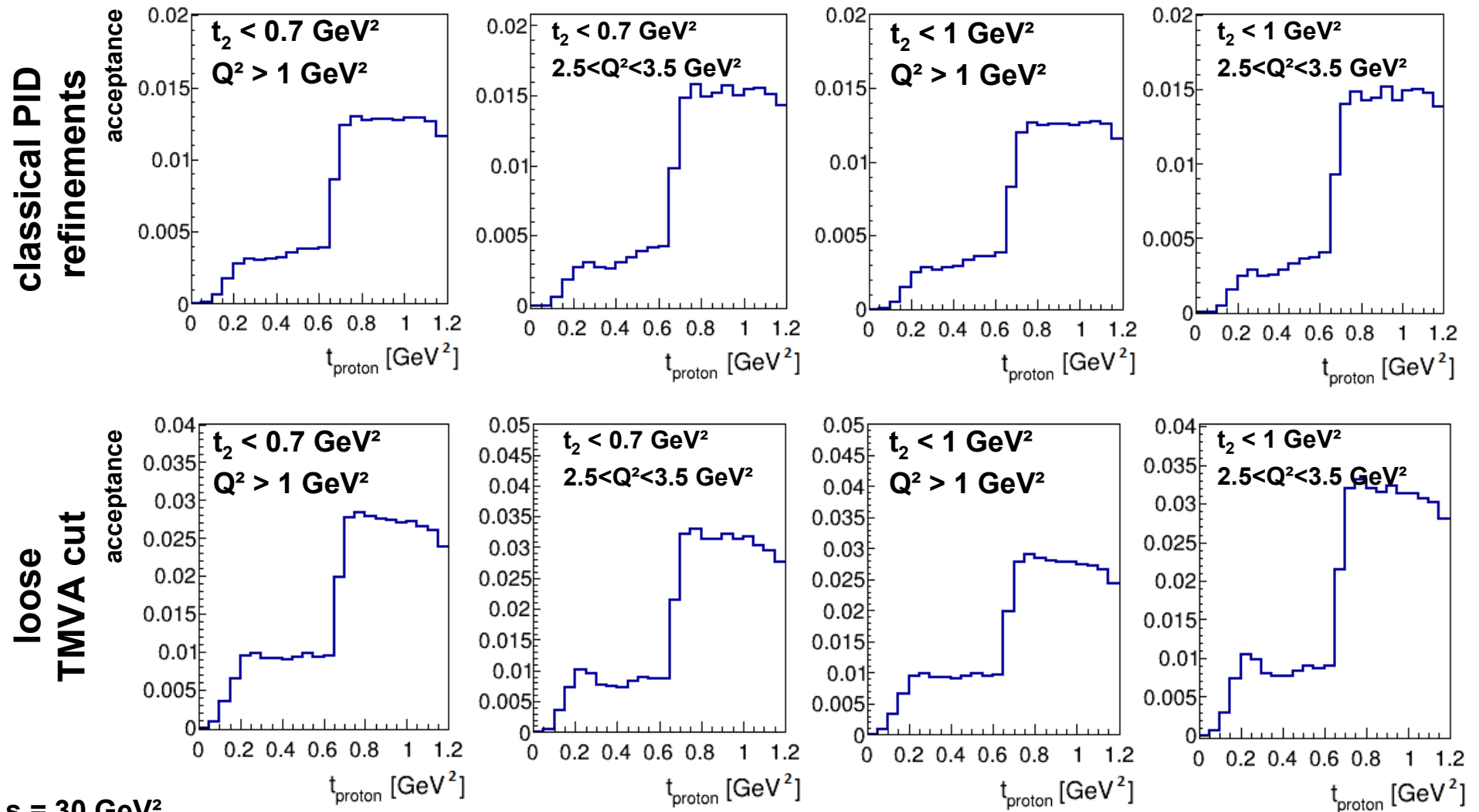
classical PID refinements



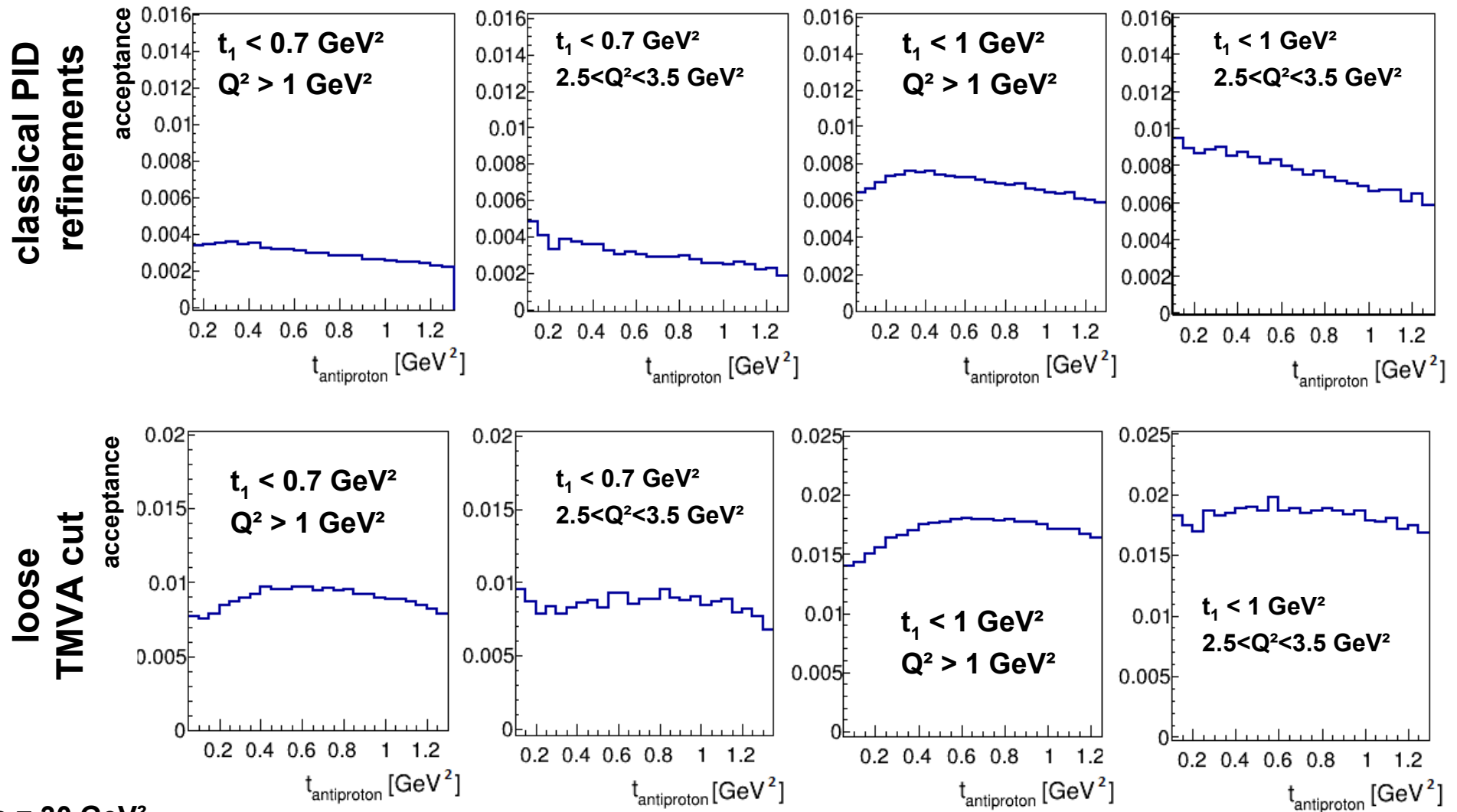
loose TMVA cut



t_1 (proton) acceptance @ $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$



t_2 (antiproton) acceptance @ $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$



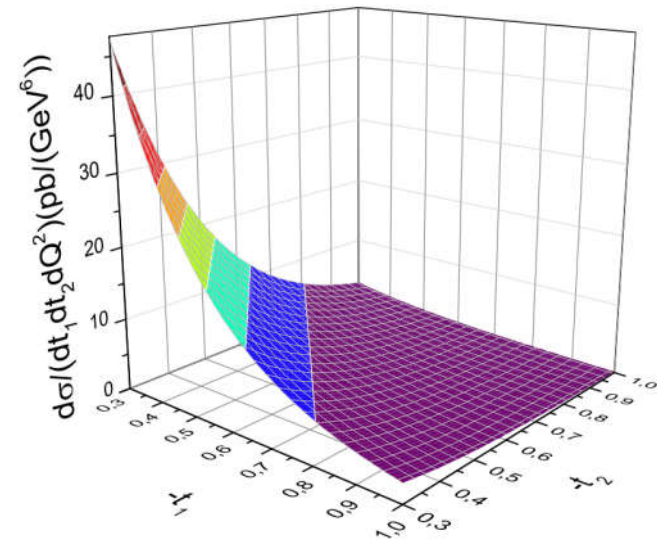
Count rates and cross section uncertainties

- Differential cross section available for $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$ and 30 GeV^2
@ $Q^2 = 3 \text{ GeV}^2$

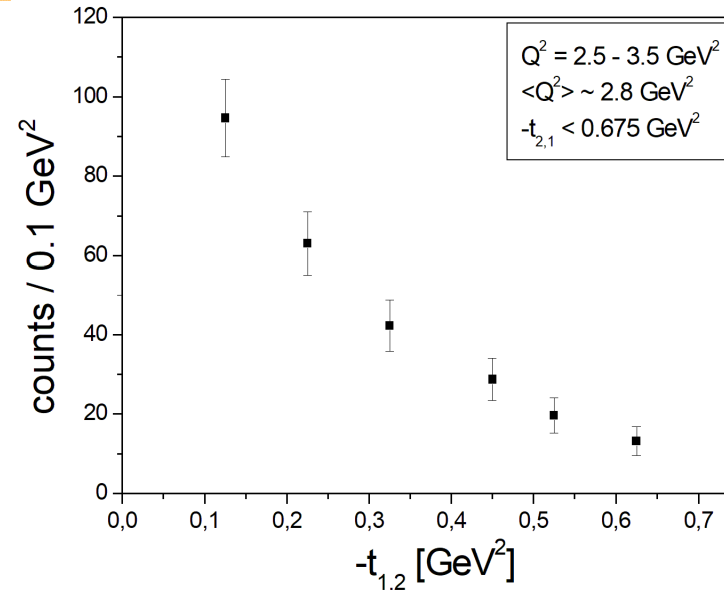
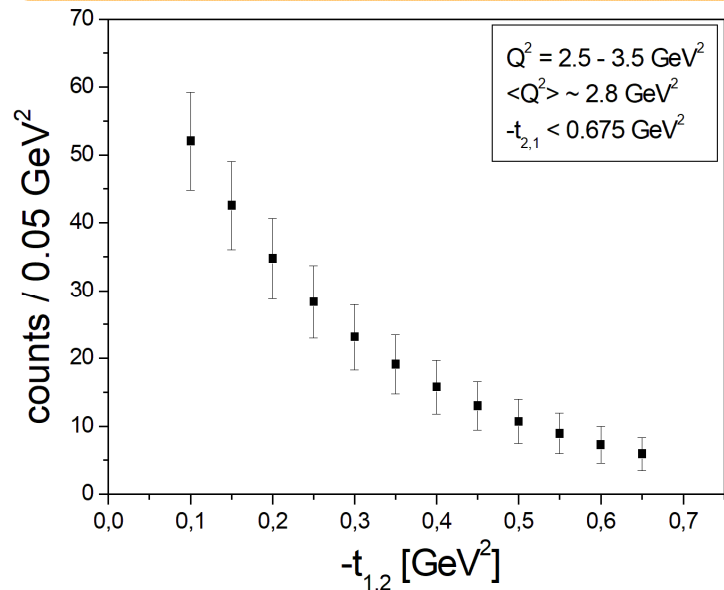
- Scaling is expected to follow $1/Q^2$
- Fix a Q^2 bin: $2.5 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

- Acceptance based on MC simulations
- $L = 2 \text{ fb}^{-1} \rightarrow 1/2$ year at the design luminosity
- $L = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1} \rightarrow 2.5$ years at the design luminosity

$$\frac{d\sigma(pp \rightarrow pp l^+ l^-)}{dt_1 dt_2 dQ^2} \sim \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{s^2 Q^2}$$

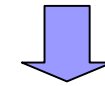


Rate cross section estimate for $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$

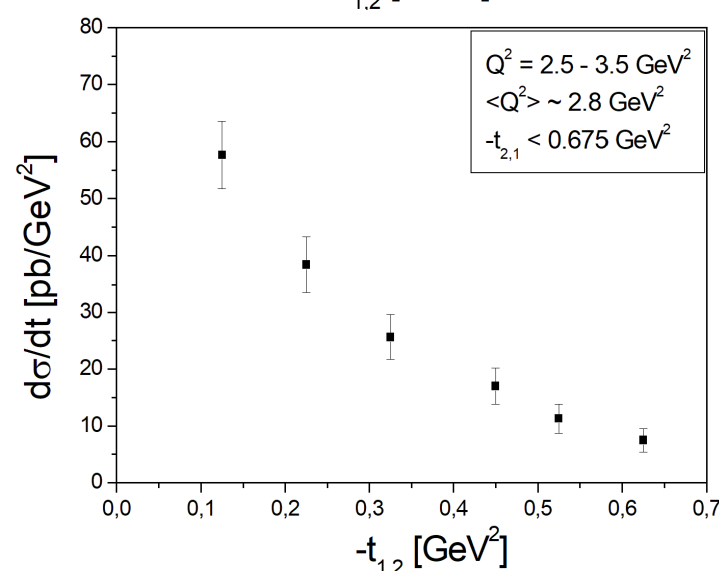
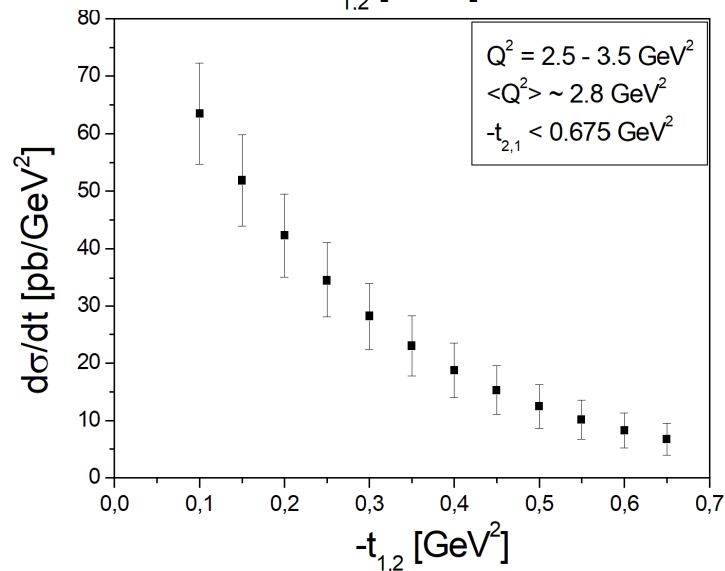


$L = 2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

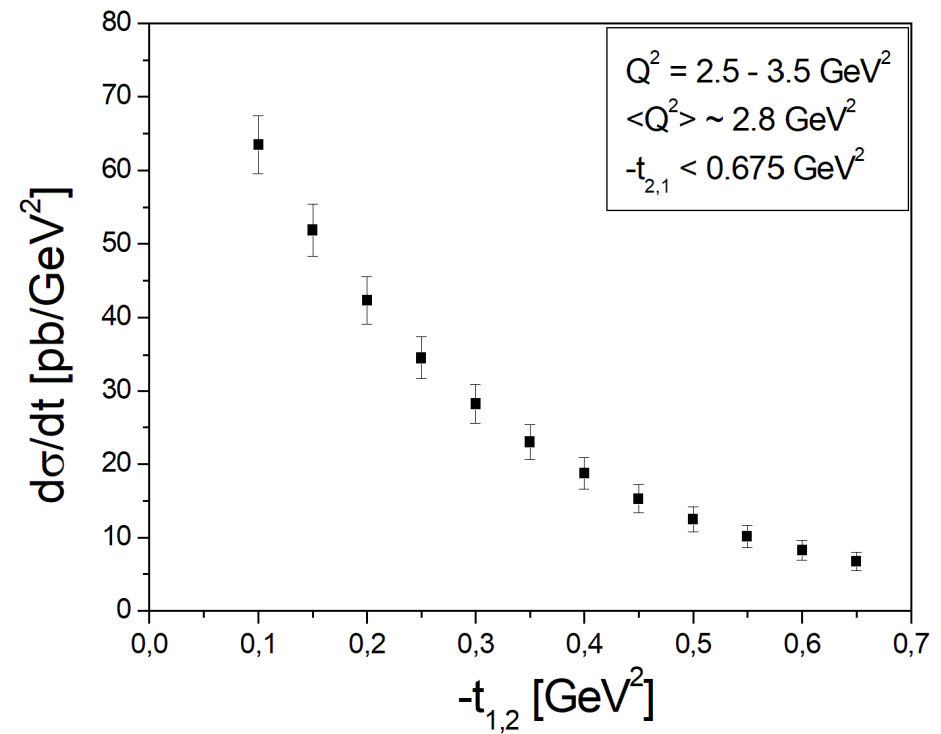
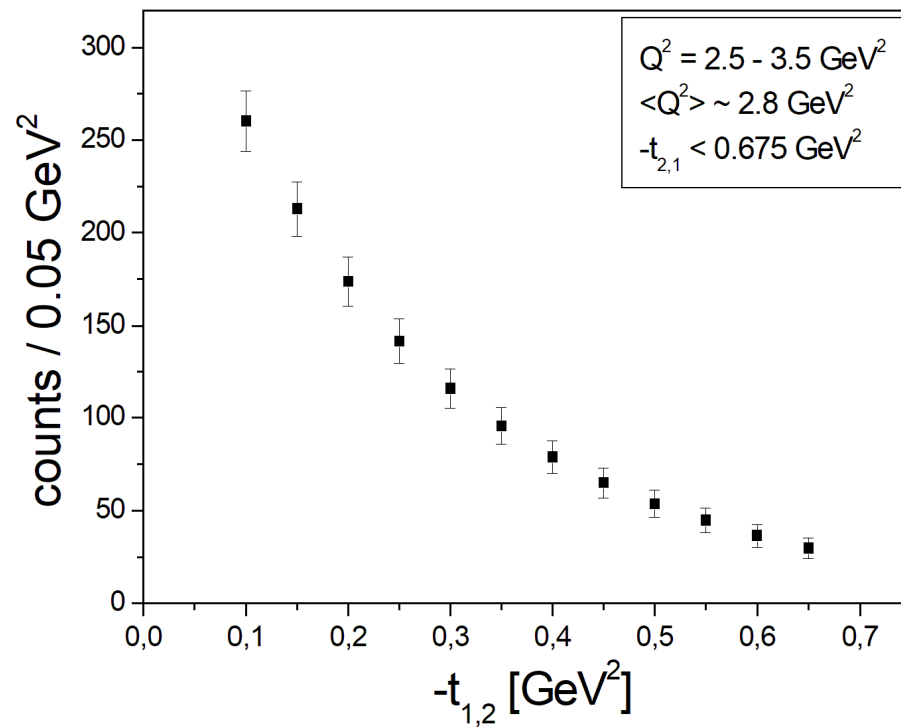


$\sim \text{counts} * 4$



Rate estimate for $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$

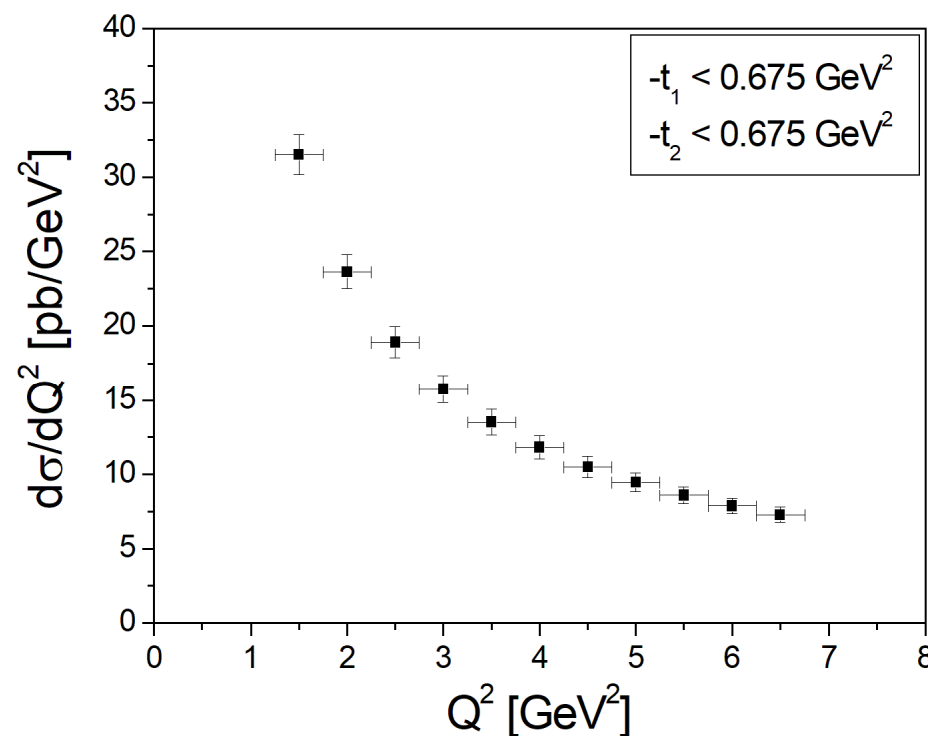
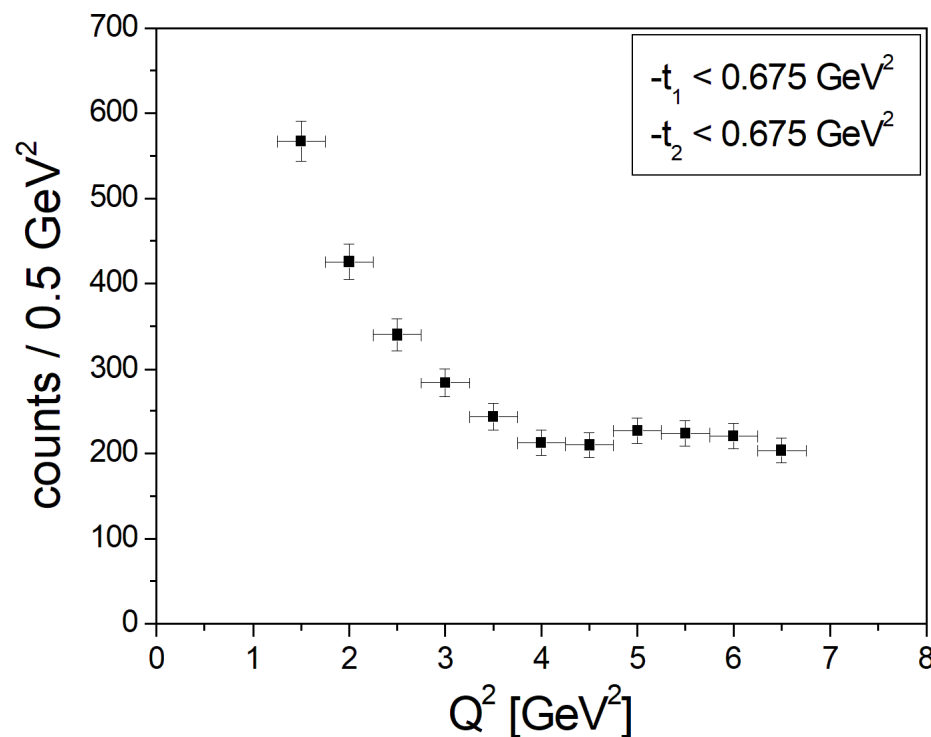
$L = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



→ With 10 fb^{-1} precise measurements will become possible

Q² dependence at s = 30 GeV²

$$L = 2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

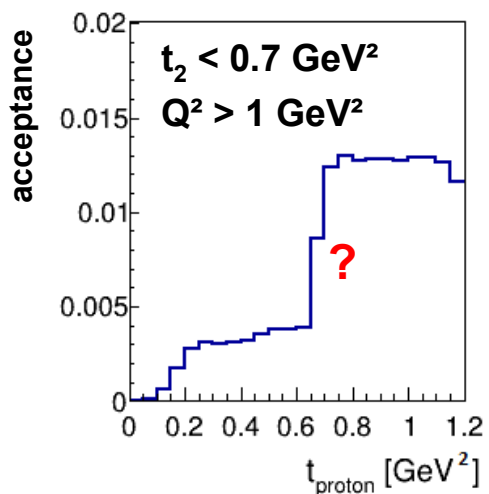


- ➔ The Q² dependence for s = 30 GeV² can be measured up to 7 GeV²
- ➔ For s = 20 GeV² a measurement is only possible up to 4.5 GeV²

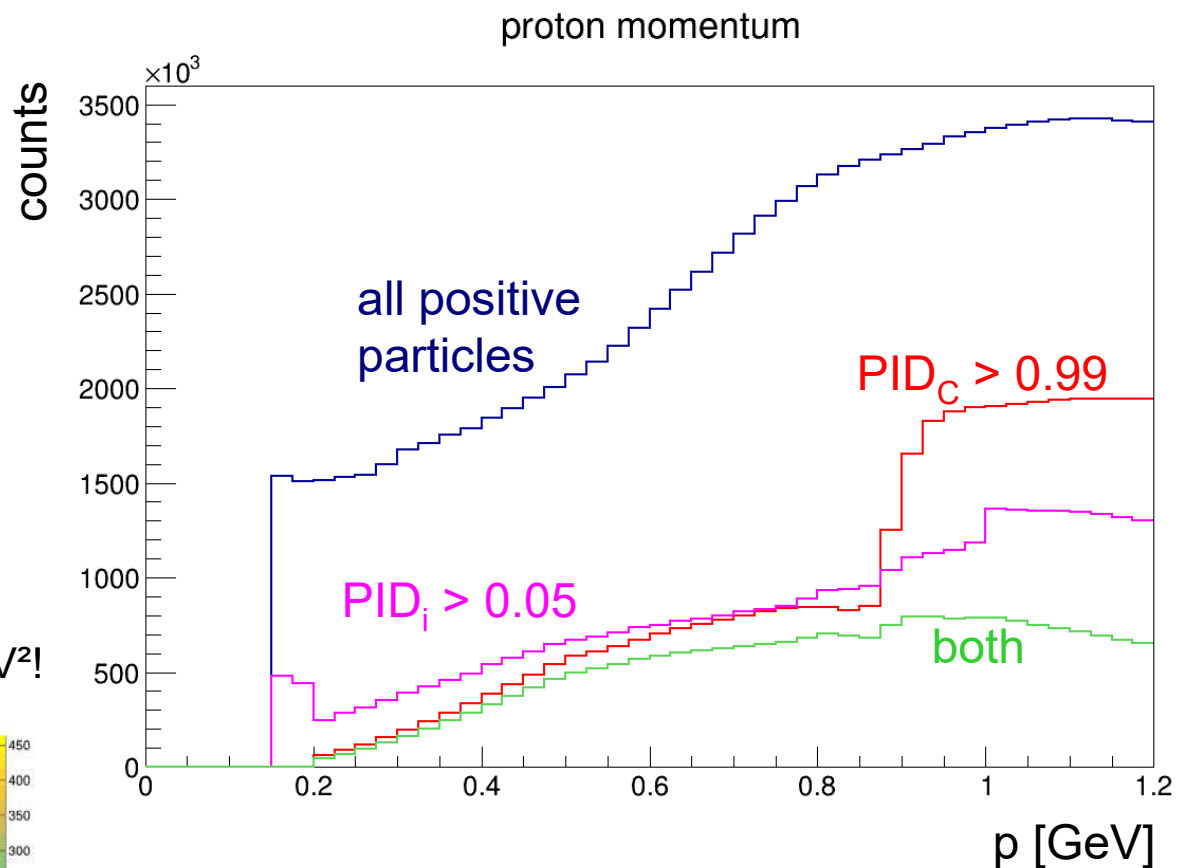
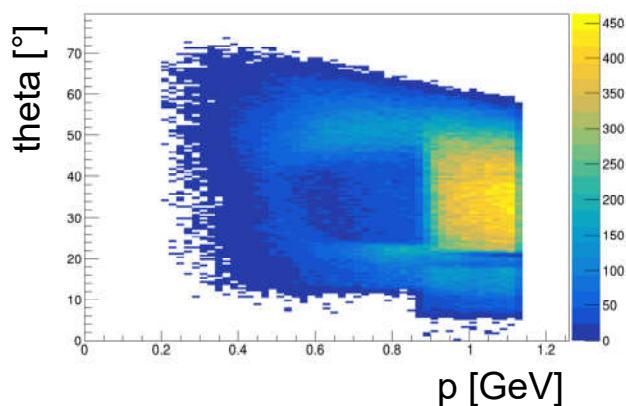
Summary and Outlook

- ➔ Center of mass energies squared between $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$ and 30 GeV^2 provide suitable kinematics to measure the reaction with PANDA
- ➔ For e^- / e^+ a good pion suppression can be achieved even with a relatively loose TMVA cut
 - ➔ Feasibility has been shown for $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$ and 30 GeV^2
- ➔ Further studies to fine tune the PID and event selection are in progress
- ➔ A release note for the e^-e^+ topology will be prepared

Where is the step in t_{proton} coming from?



→ We are mostly interested in $t < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2$!



- PID_C is less strict after a threshold of 0.9 GeV.
- A cut on PID_i removes this events again.
- Study showed tha this cut is not needed.