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PID and 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

→ Well developed theoretical framework

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

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

$$A B \rightarrow A B l^+ l^-$$

→ Exclusive analogue of the Drell-Yan process

Theoretical Description

Lepton-pair production in hard exclusive hadron-hadron collisions

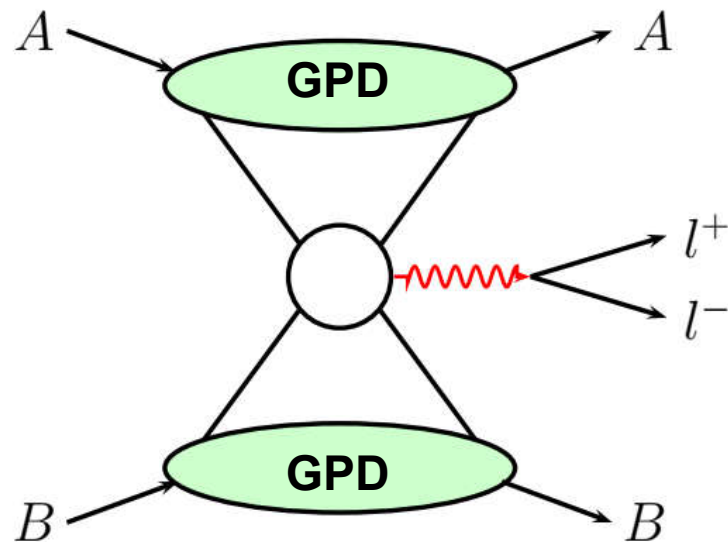
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Double handbag for exclusive lepton-pair production in hadron-hadron collisions

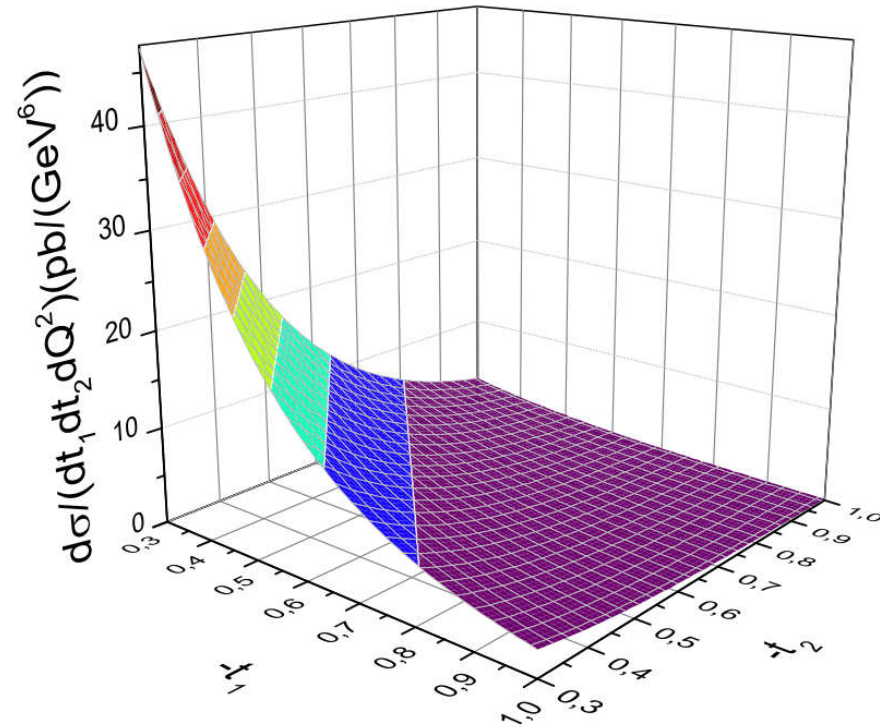
Observables

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

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

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

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



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

versions: PANDARoot: v12.0.0 (oct19) FAIRroot: v18.6.1_fs_nov20

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

3 beam momenta have been studied:

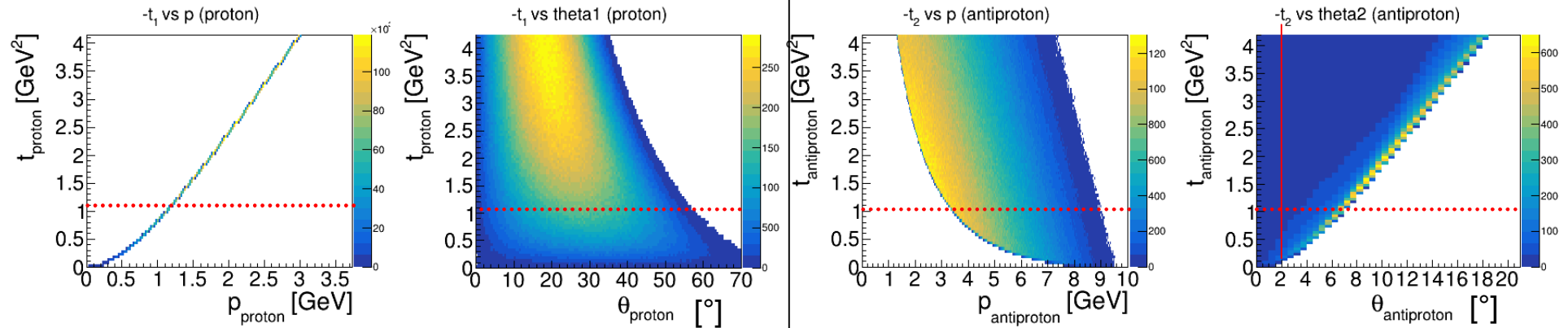
$s = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$	($p \sim 4.3 \text{ GeV}/c$)	20M events
$s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$	($p \sim 9.7 \text{ GeV}/c$)	20M events
$s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$	($p \sim 15 \text{ GeV}/c$)	30M events

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

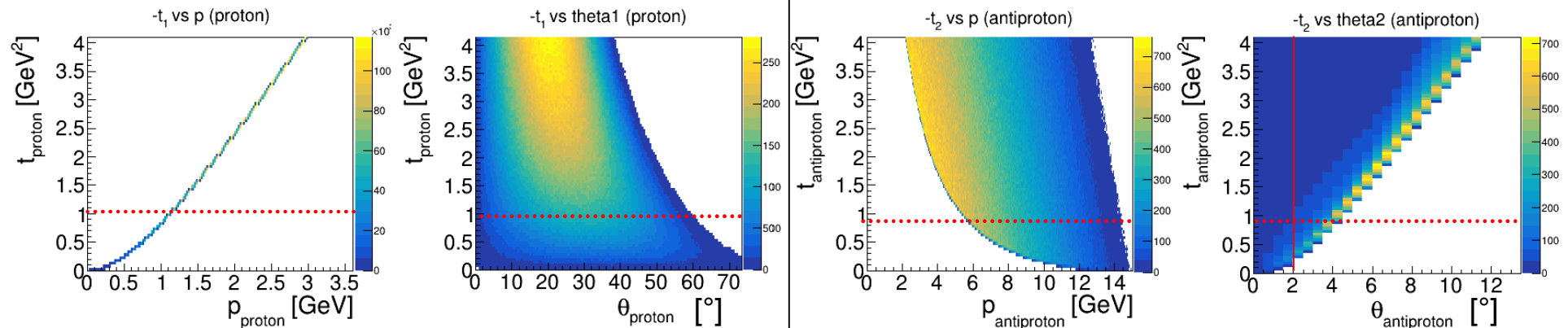
→ Optimal study for $s = 20 - 30 \text{ GeV}^2$ (see talk at the last collab. meeting)

Generated Hadron Distributions vs $-t$

$s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$



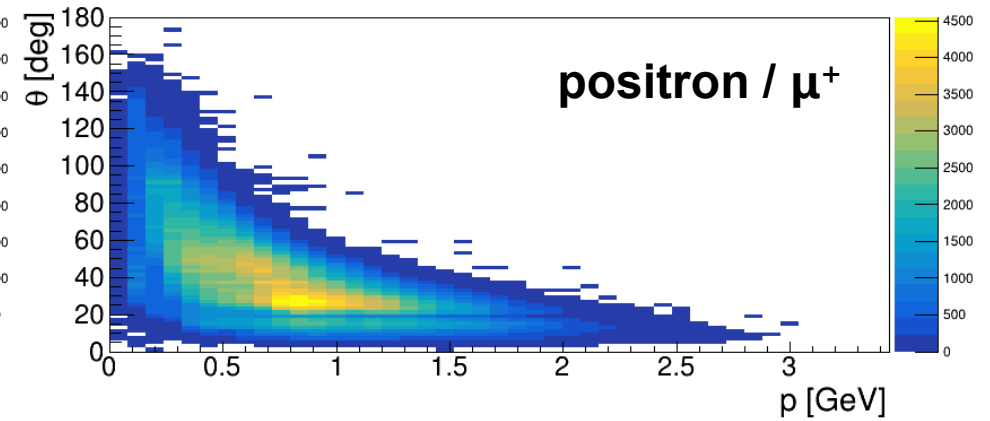
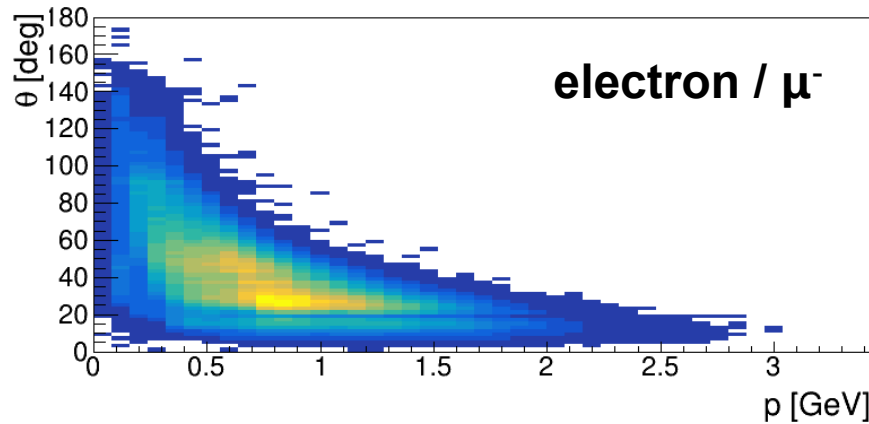
$s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$



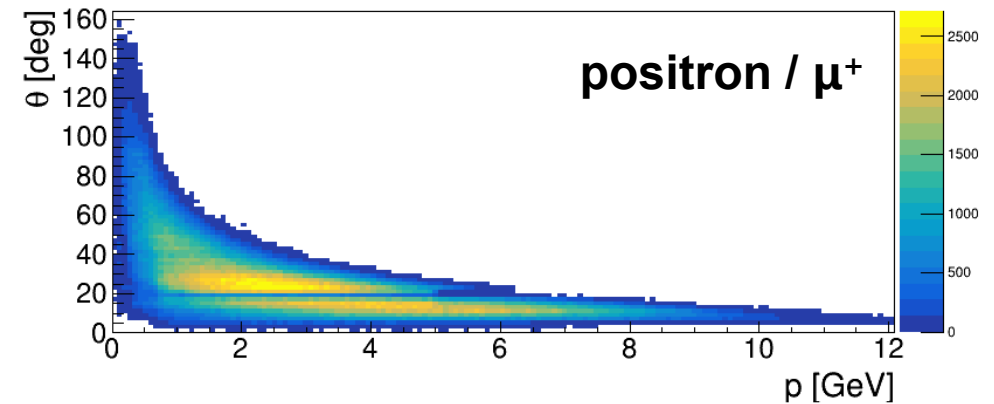
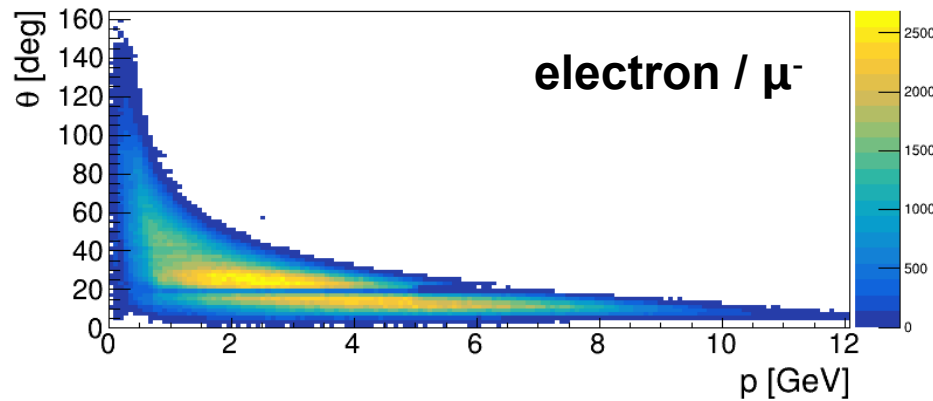
➔ Possible preselection by a s dep. cut on p for protons and θ for antiprotons

Generated Lepton Distributions

$s = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$



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



2 Topologies

Topology 1: All final state particles detected

- + Event selection via a 4C kinematic fit (prob > 0.03)
- Especially at high beam momenta the detection of antiprotons is critical
- Low acceptance due to the detection of antiprotons

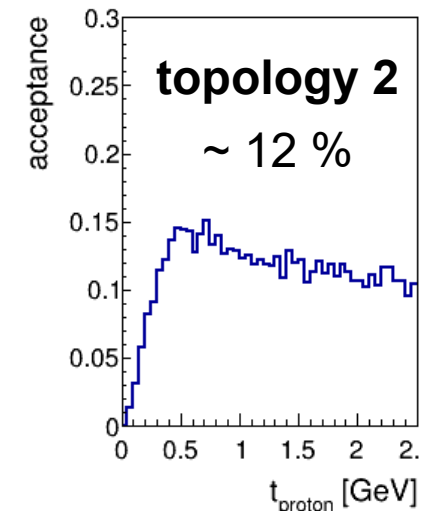
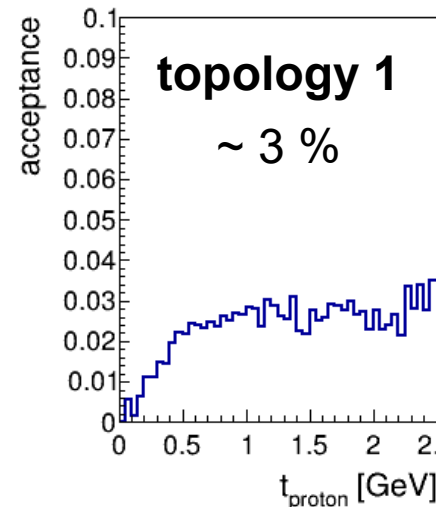
Topology 2: Detection of the antiproton is not required

→ Reconstruction via the missing antiproton mass

Comparison of the acceptance with the standard PID cuts (see talk at the last meeting):

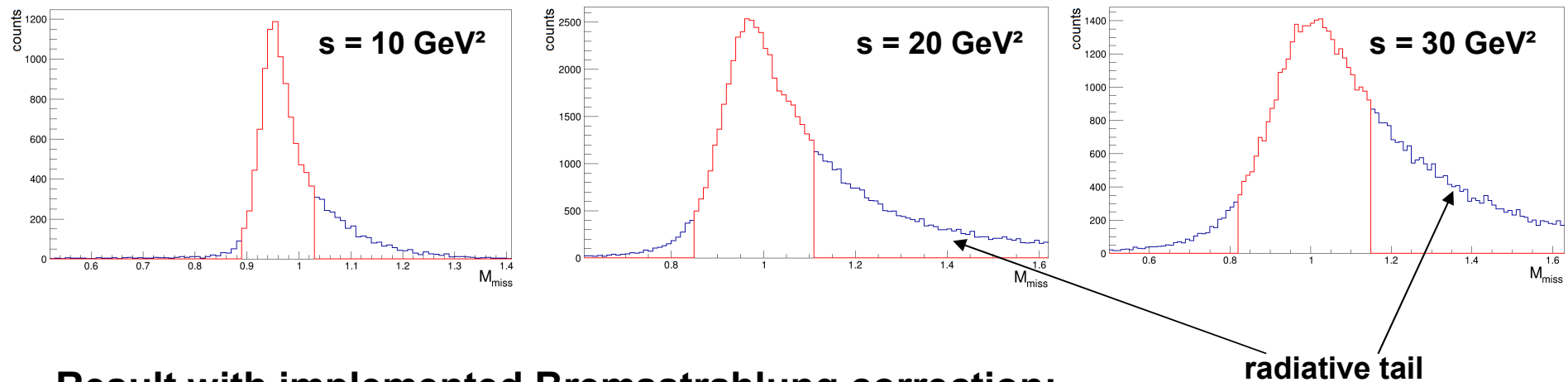
$$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$t_2 < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2$$

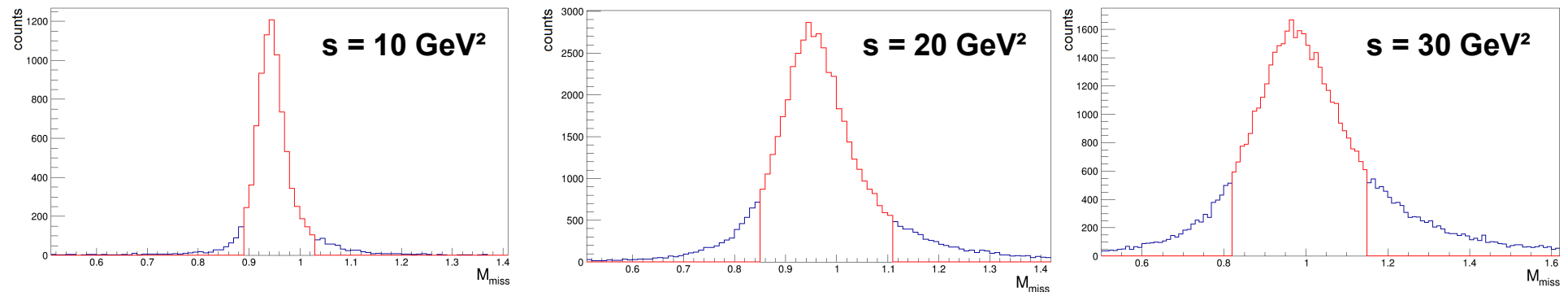


Missing Antiproton Mass of pe^-e^+X (topology 2)

Result with raw e^- and e^+ reconstruction:



Result with implemented Bremsstrahlung correction:



→ Significantly reduced tail → Better separation from potential background

Expected Background and PID Refinements

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!

→ Initial PID studies will focus on $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$

→ 430 M two pion background events have been simulated

Cross section estimates for the main background channel:

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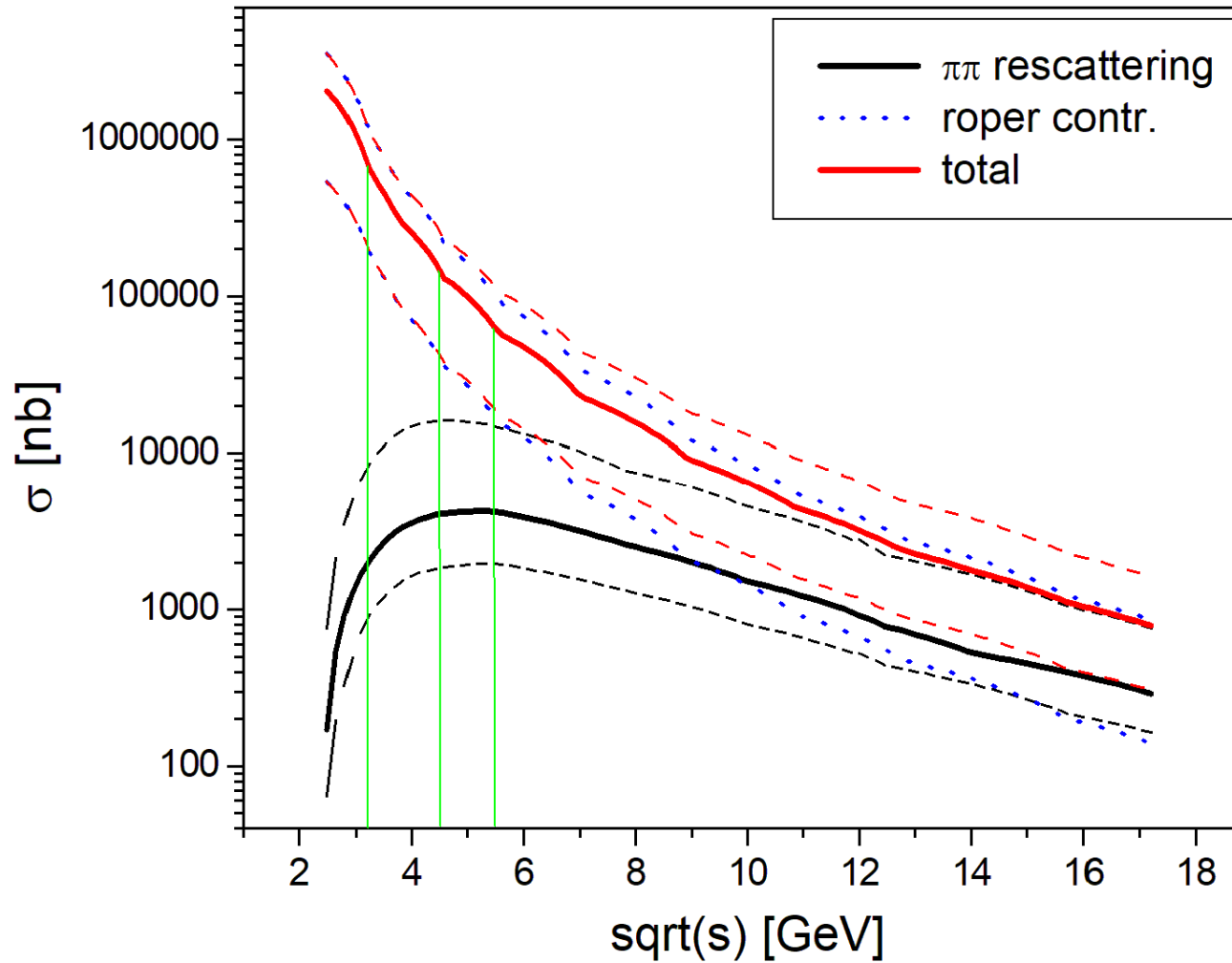
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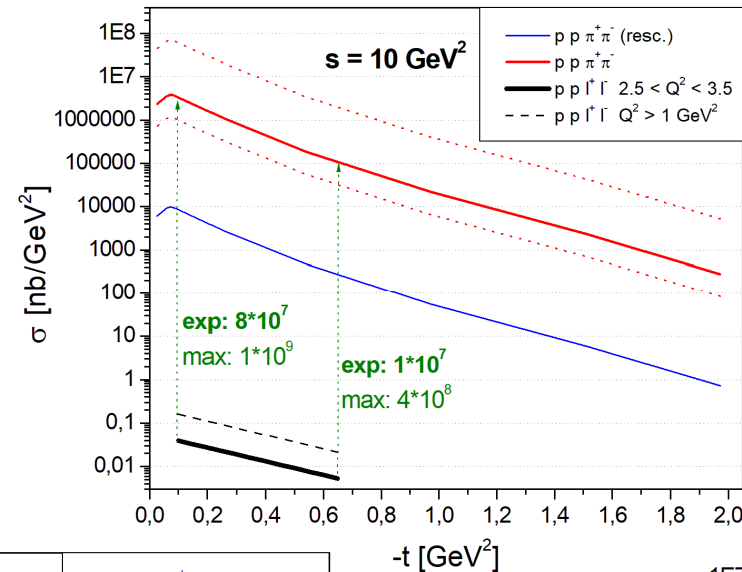
Low-energy pion–pion scattering in the $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^+\pi^-$ and $p\bar{p} \rightarrow p\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^-$ reactions

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Background Studies



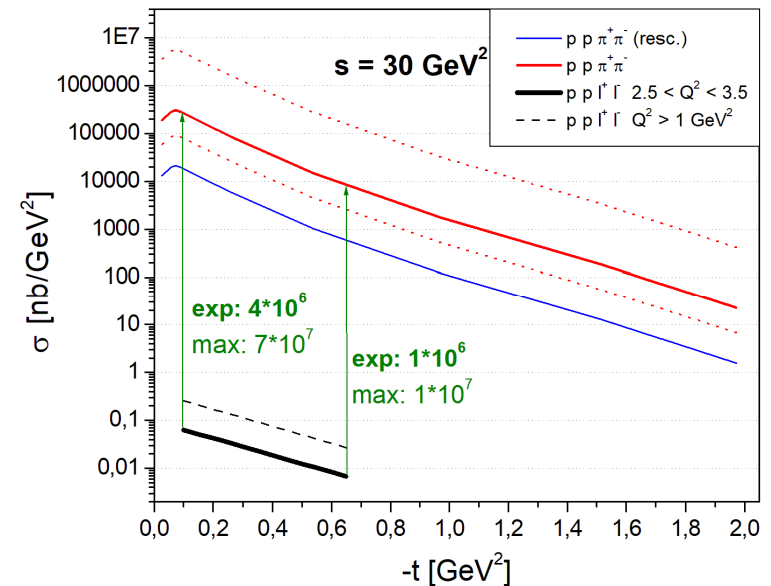
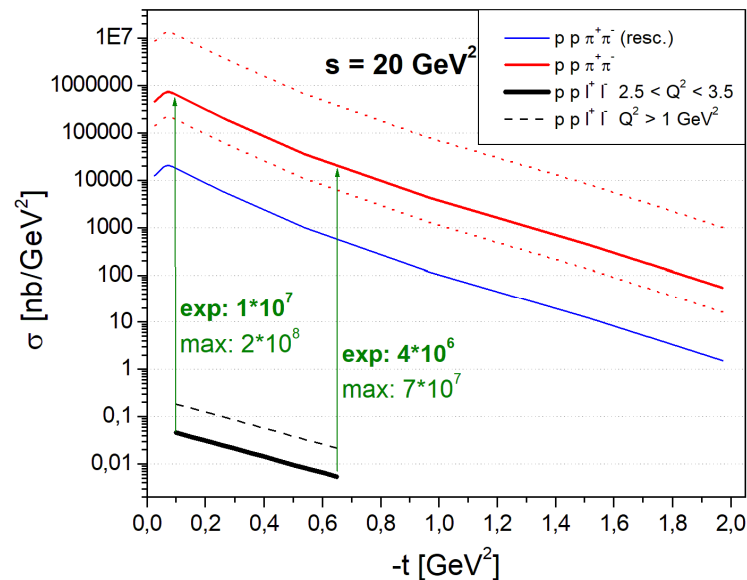
Background Studies



➔ Roper contribution causes strong background at 10 GeV^2

➔ Lowest background at 30 GeV^2

➔ $Q^2 > 1$ integration increases signal by x4



PID Refinements and Background Suppression

- A suppression of the two pion background by $10^6 - 10^8$ is needed
- PID refinements are needed to reach this!

Two PID versions have been investigated:

- Cuts on the PID variables and additional detector variables (similar to the $p \bar{p} \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ form factor study)
- A TMVA analysis including the PID and detector variables

Available PID algorithms:

PID from tracking detectors: PidAlgoMvd PidAlgoStt

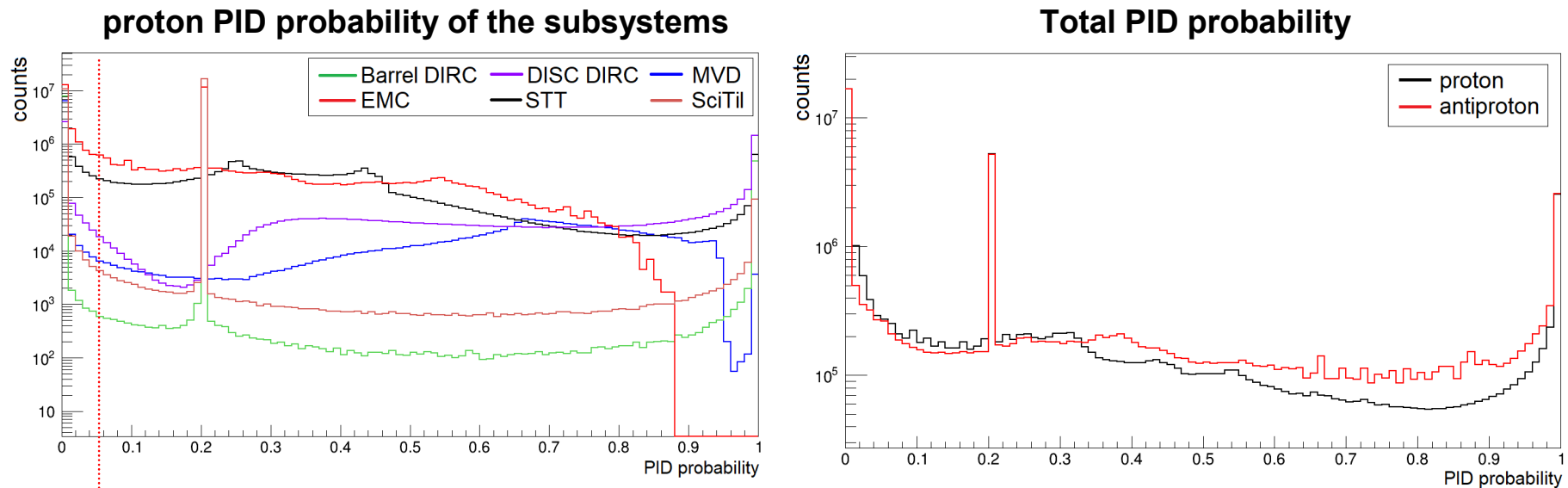
PID from cherenkov detectors: PidAlgoDrc PidAlgoDisc

PID from calorimeter and TOF: PidAlgoEMCBayes PidAlgoSciT

PID from muon detector (for muons): PidAlgoMdtHardCuts

Proton / Antiproton PID

- The proton mass is well separated from electrons, pions and kaons
- Exclusivity cuts will filter most of the wrongly identified protons
- A loose PID is sufficient for protons

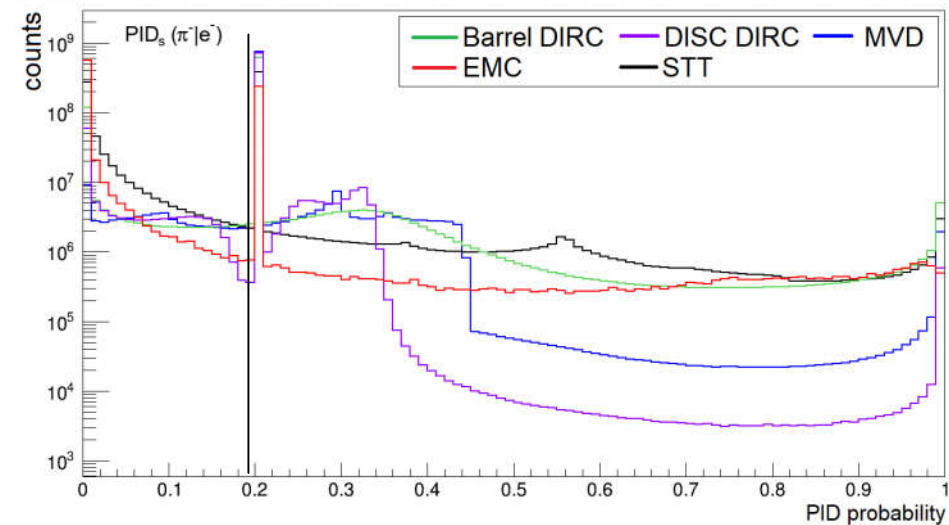
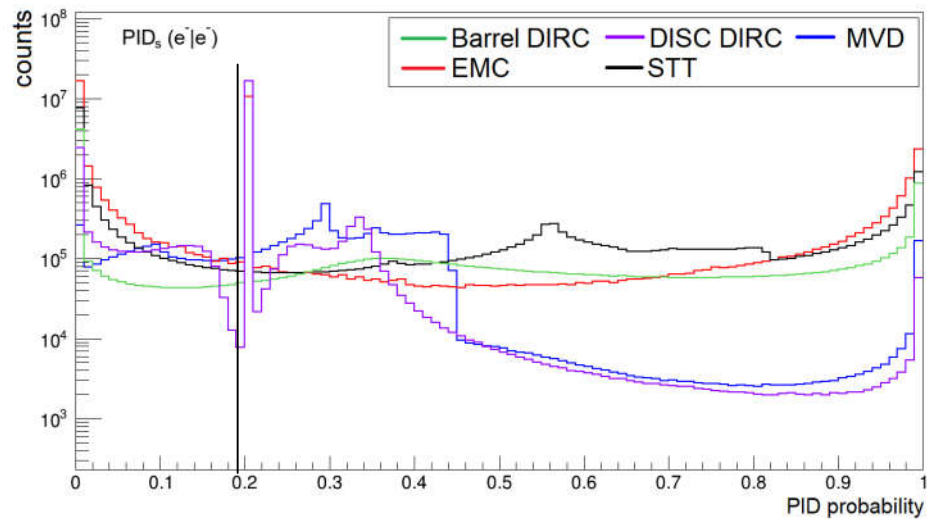
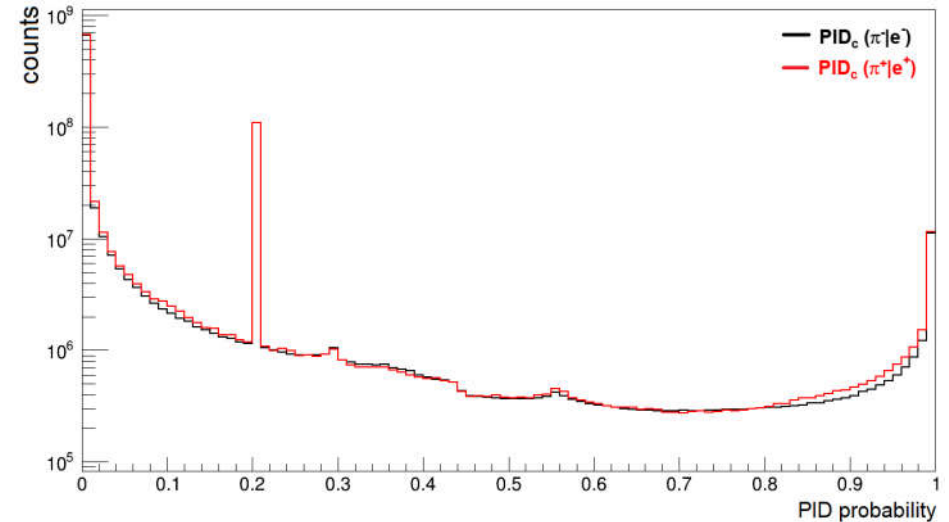
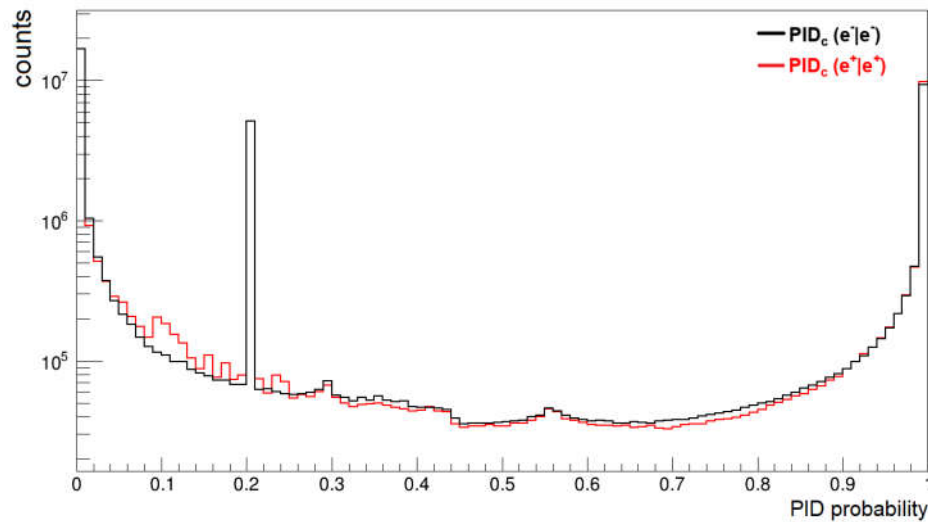


2 configurations were investigated for protons:

tight: $P_C > 0.99$ && $P_S > 0.05$ (eff=0.17)

loose: $P_C > 0.99$ (eff = 0.32)

Electron / Positron PID (classical PID)

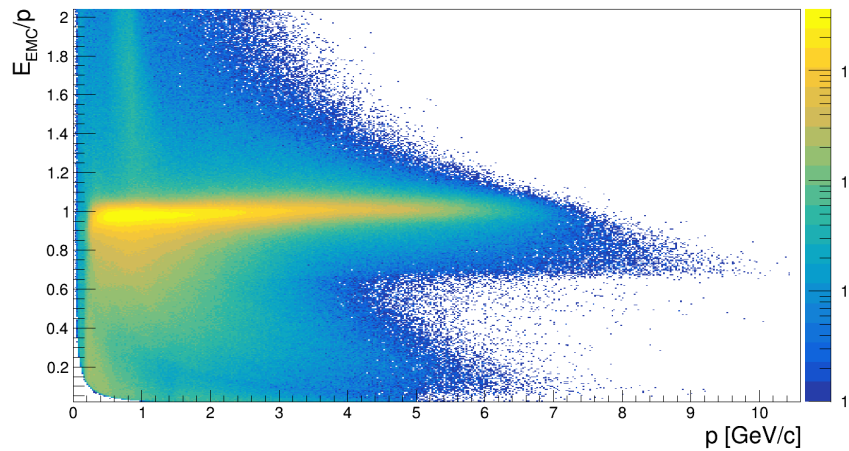


Applied cuts: $P_C > 0.99$ && $P_S > 0.19$ (eff = 33% / 36% S/B = 66 / 43)

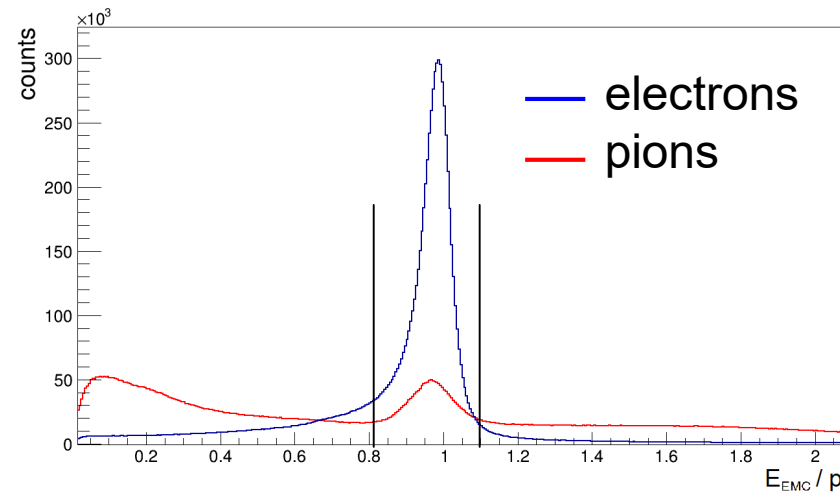
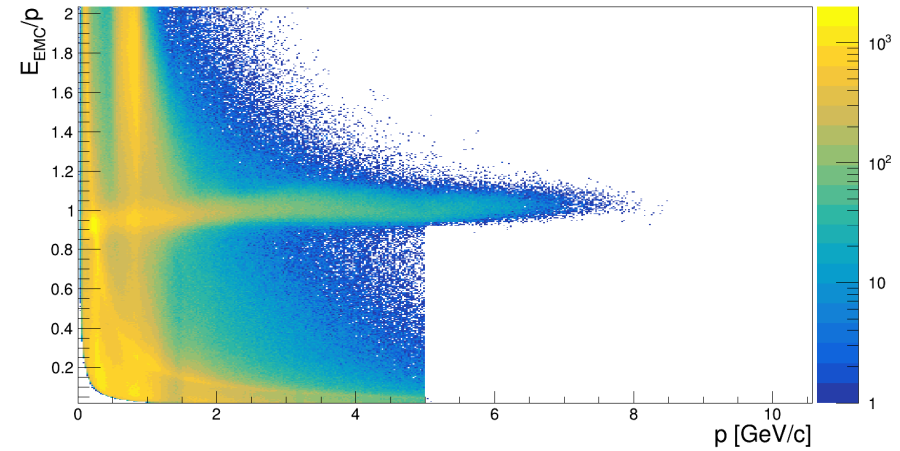
Electron / Positron PID (refinements)

i. Calorimeter sampling fraction E/p

electron sample



pion sample



$E/p > 0.8$

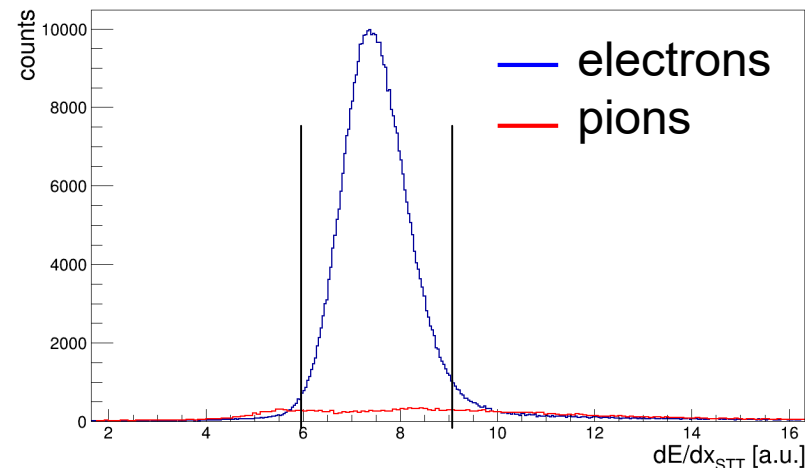
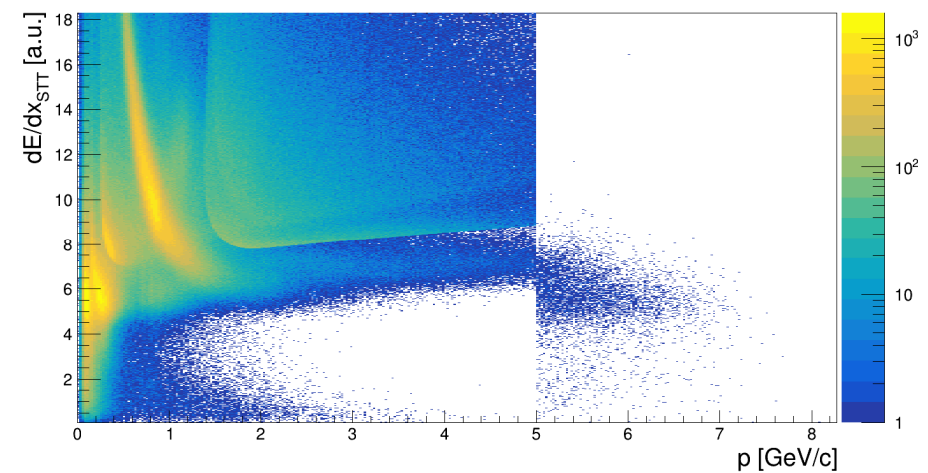
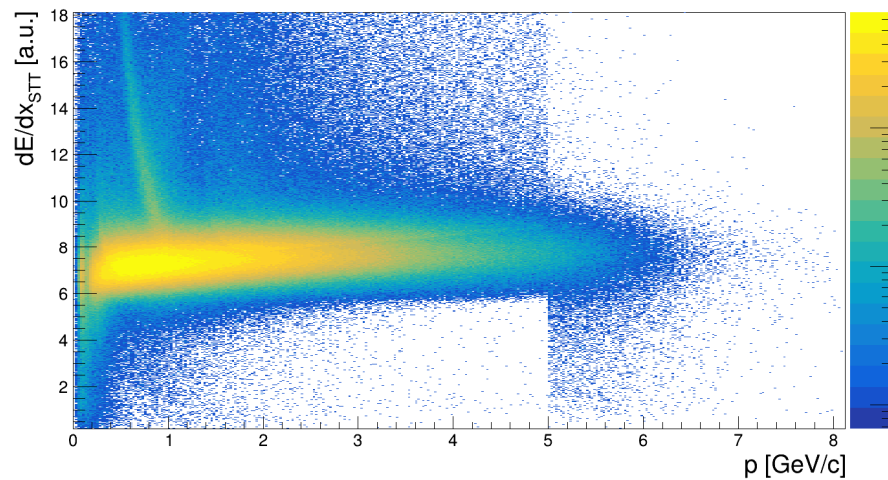
+ momentum dependent
3 sigma band cut

Electron / Positron PID (refinements)

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

electron sample

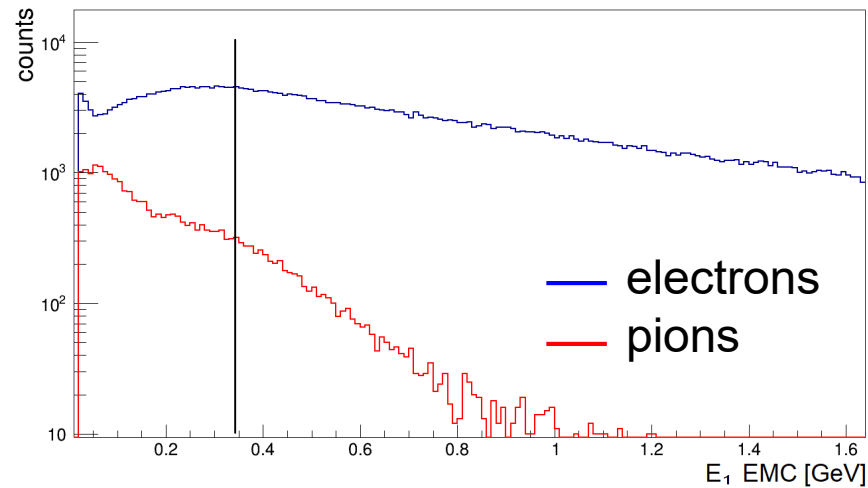
pion sample



momentum dependent
3 sigma band cut

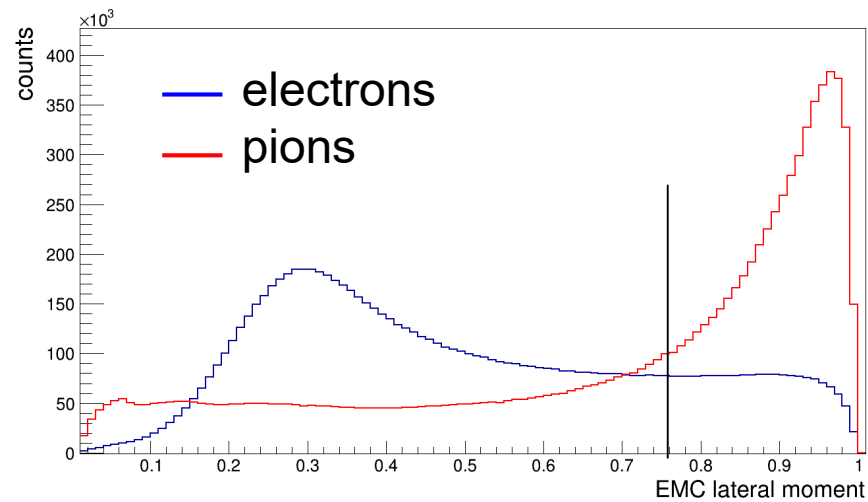
Electron / Positron PID (refinements)

iii. EMC E_1



$E_1 > 0.35$ GeV

iv. EMC lateral moment



EMC lateral < 0.75

Electron / Positron PID (refinements)

→ Cuts are applied sequentially

electrons:

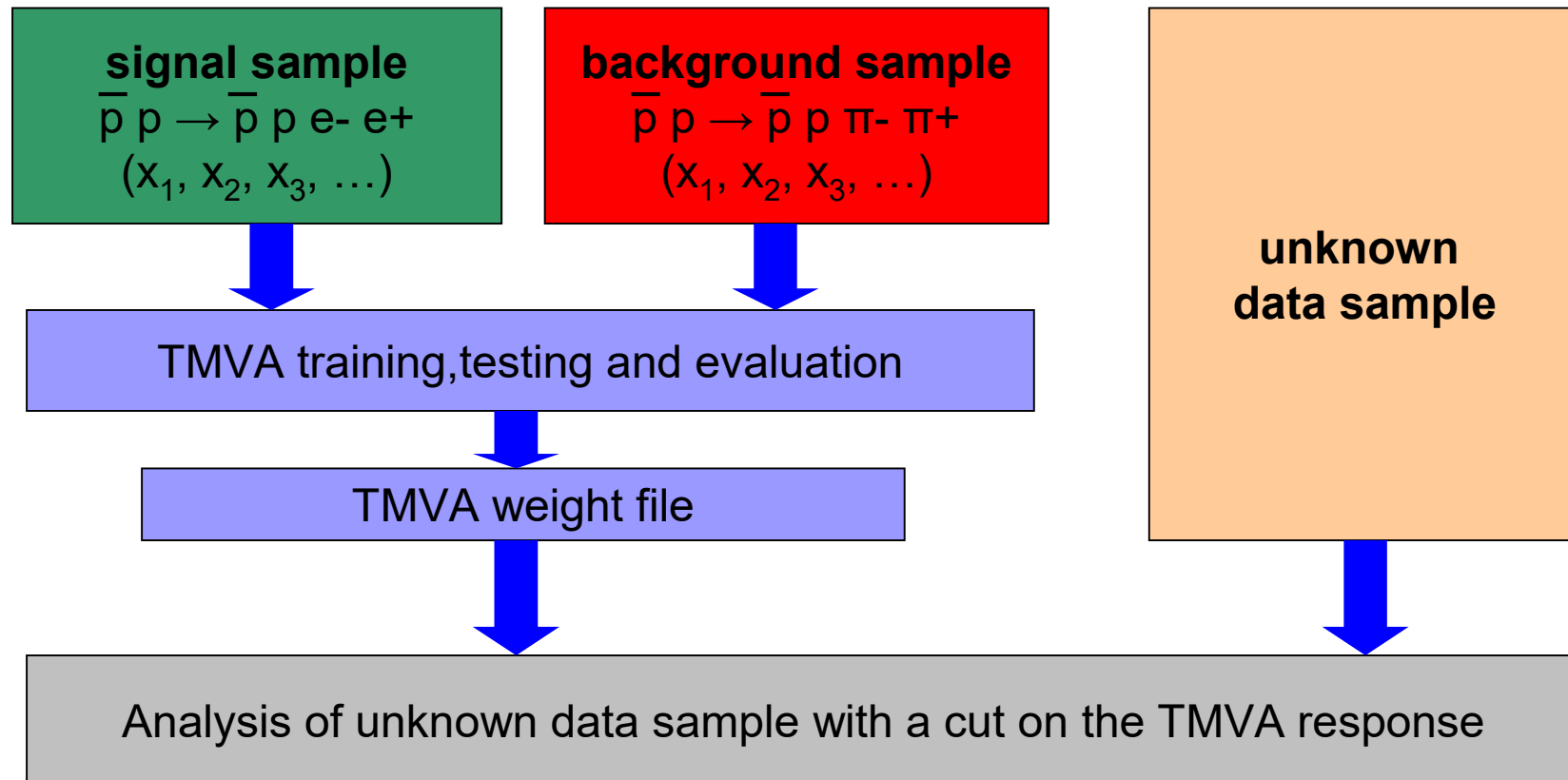
	signal eff.	BG eff.	S / BG
PID_C > 0.99	47,7	2,4750	20
PID_S > 0.19	32,5	0,5044	66
sampfrac E/p	28,6	0,1341	219
STT dE/dx	21,4	0,0477	460
EMC E1	17,6	0,0255	707
EMC lateral	15,3	0,0121	1293

positrons:

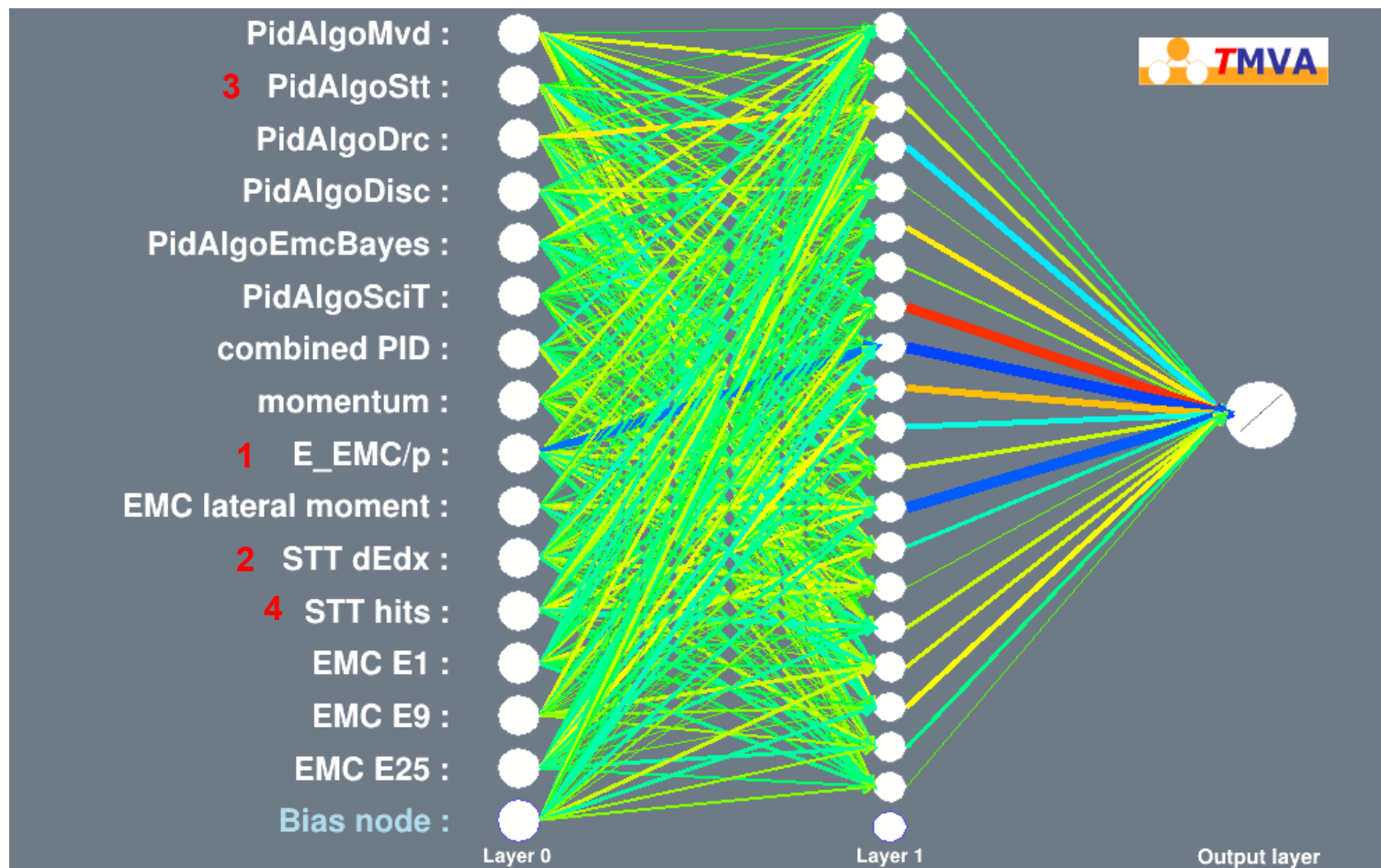
	signal eff.	BG eff.	S / BG
PID_C > 0.99	50,3	2,8021	18
PID_S > 0.19	36,3	0,8441	43
sampfrac E/p	30,5	0,3906	78
STT dE/dx	22,0	0,0692	319
EMC E1	18,5	0,0393	471
EMC lateral	15,8	0,0179	883

Electron / Positron PID (TMVA analysis)

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

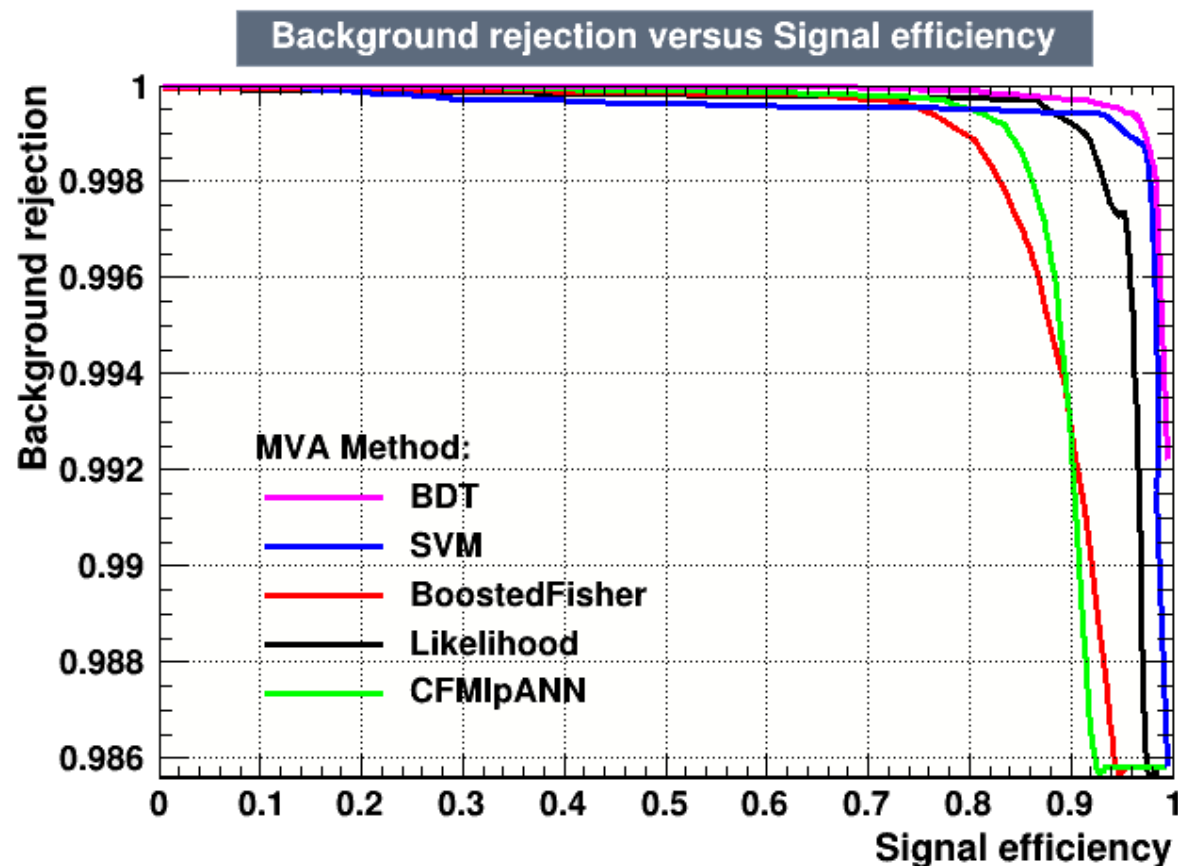


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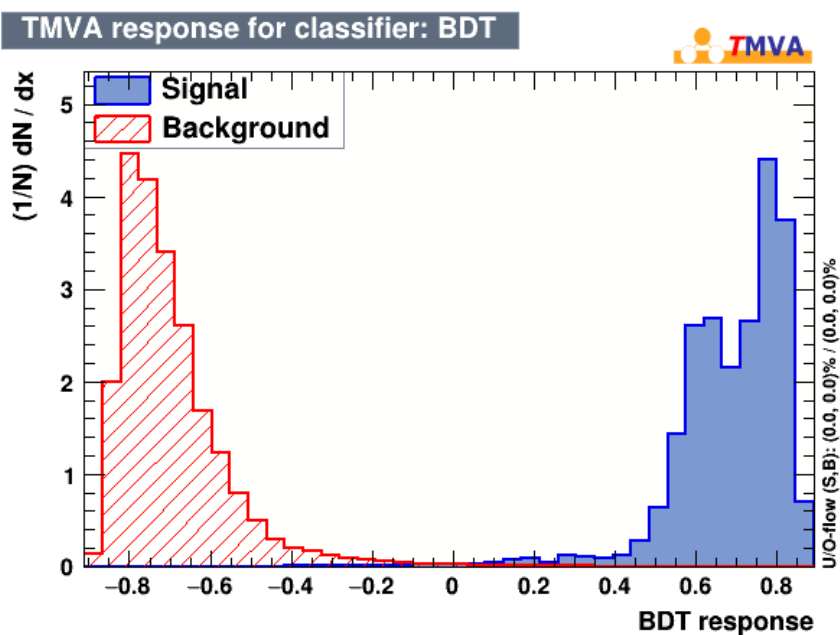
→ Different methods have been investigated: Boosted decision tree (BDT), Support Vector Maschine (SVM), Boosted Fisher Discriminants, Likelihood based naive Bayes estimator, artificial neural network (CFMlpANN)



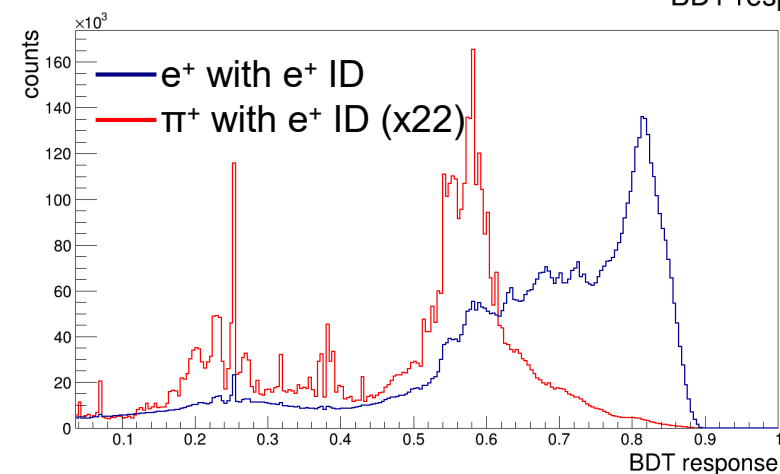
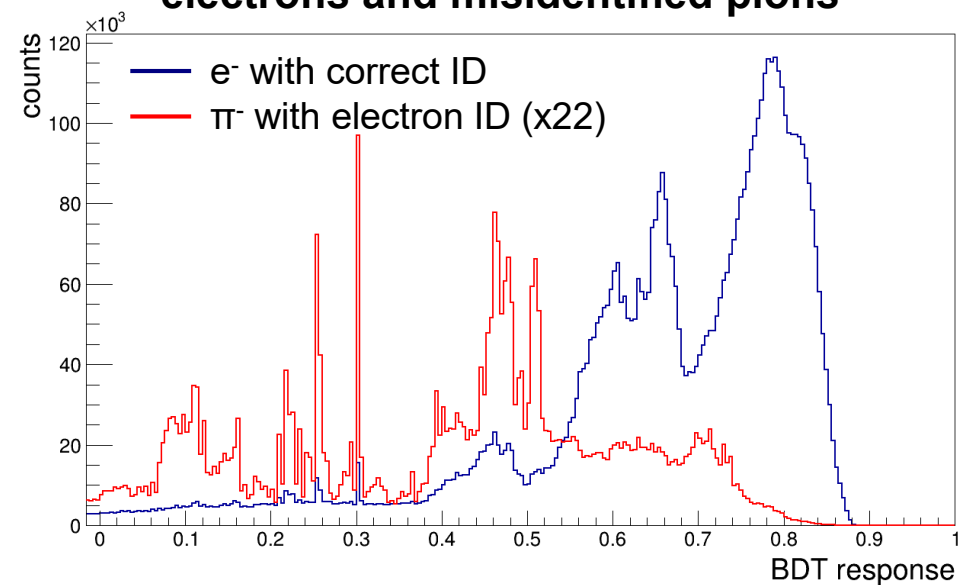
→ A boosted decision tree (BDT) provides the best ratio of background rejection and signal efficiency

Electron / Positron PID (TMVA analysis)

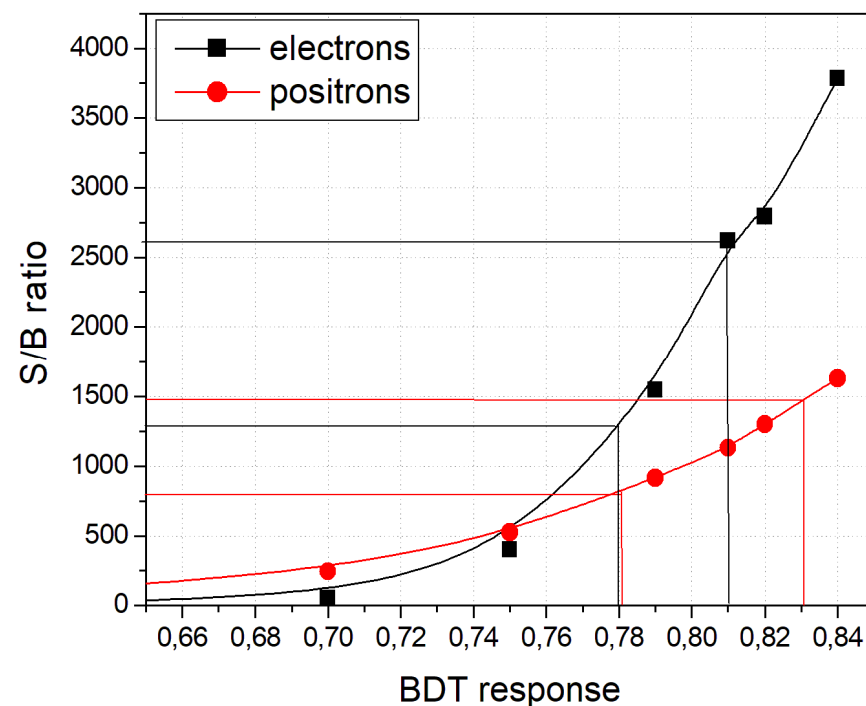
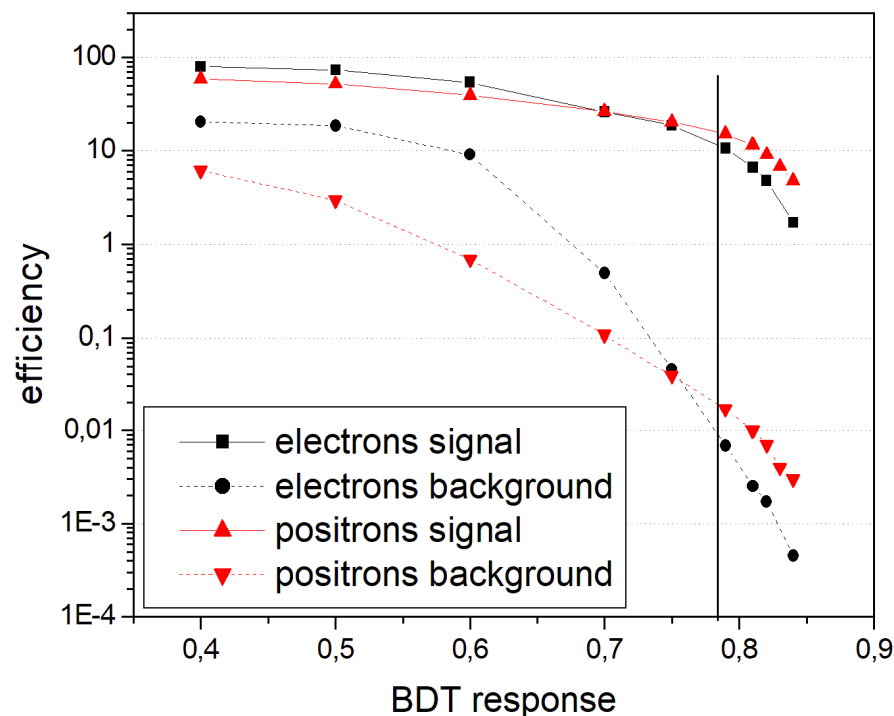
BDT response for the training sample



BDT response for correctly identified electrons and misidentified pions

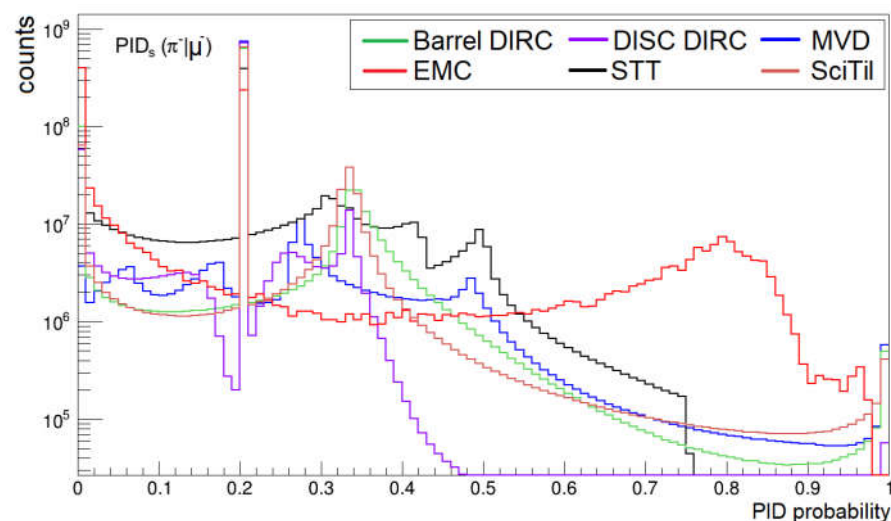
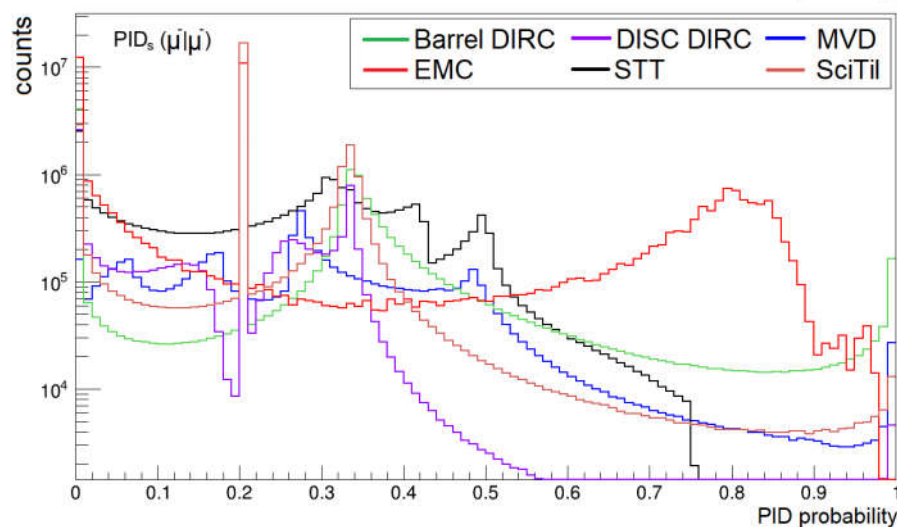
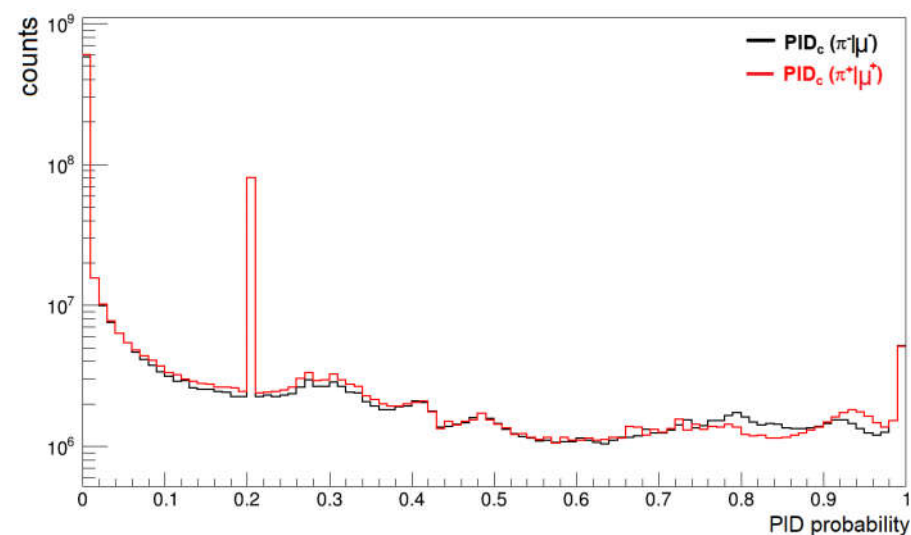
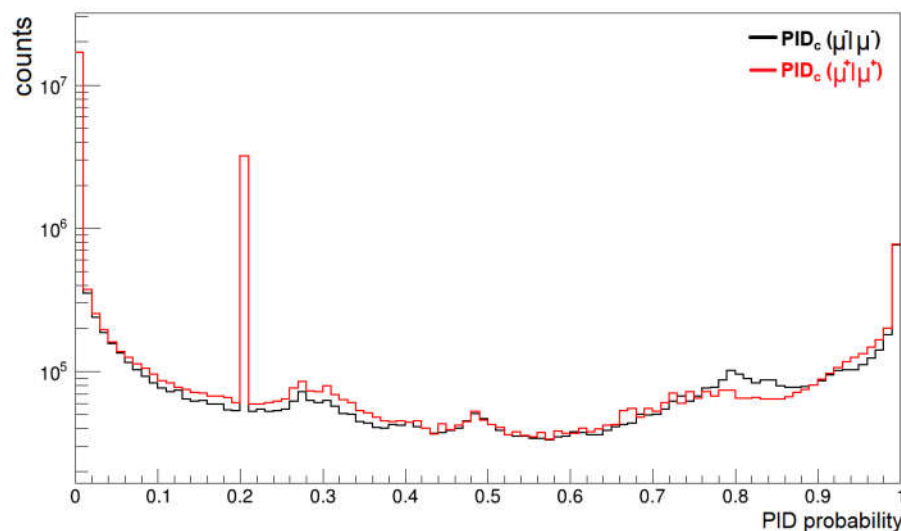


Electron / Positron PID (TMVA analysis)



	BDT ele / pos	signal eff	S/B ele / pos
very loose	> 0.70 / 0.70	~ 26 %	53 / 244
loose	> 0.75 / 0.75	~ 19 - 20 %	400 / 526
standard	> 0.78 / 0.78	~ 15 - 16 %	1100 / 850
very tight	> 0.81 / 0.83	~ 6.7 %	2620 / 1630

μ^- / μ^+ PID (classical PID)



Applied cuts: $P_C > 0.99$ && $P_S > 0.19$ **eff = 31% / 15%** **S/B = 14 / 18**

μ^- / μ^+ PID (TMVA analysis)

→ Include also the variables of the muon system

→ Following the $\mu^+\mu^-$ form factor analysis note

- **Path length inside iron absorber of the MS.** The length of the reconstructed trajectories is calculated inside the absorber and detection layers based on the spatial hit information, denoted as "iron thickness".
- **Number of fired layers in the MS.**
- **Initial momentum at MS layer zero:** p_{MS} .
- **Normalized path length of the tracklet inside the MS to p_{MS} .**
- **Identification probability for being a muon based on MS observables:** $P(\mu)$.

MS Module	Iron threshold	p_{min}	p_{max}
1	40 cm	0.2 GeV/c	0.8 GeV/c
-1	60 cm	0.4 GeV/c	1.1 GeV/c
2	60 cm	0.4 GeV/c	1.1 GeV/c

1. $(p_{MS} < p_{min}) \rightarrow P(\mu) = 0.0$

2. $(p_{MS} > p_{min})$ **and** (iron thickness > iron threshold) $\rightarrow P(\mu) = 1.0$

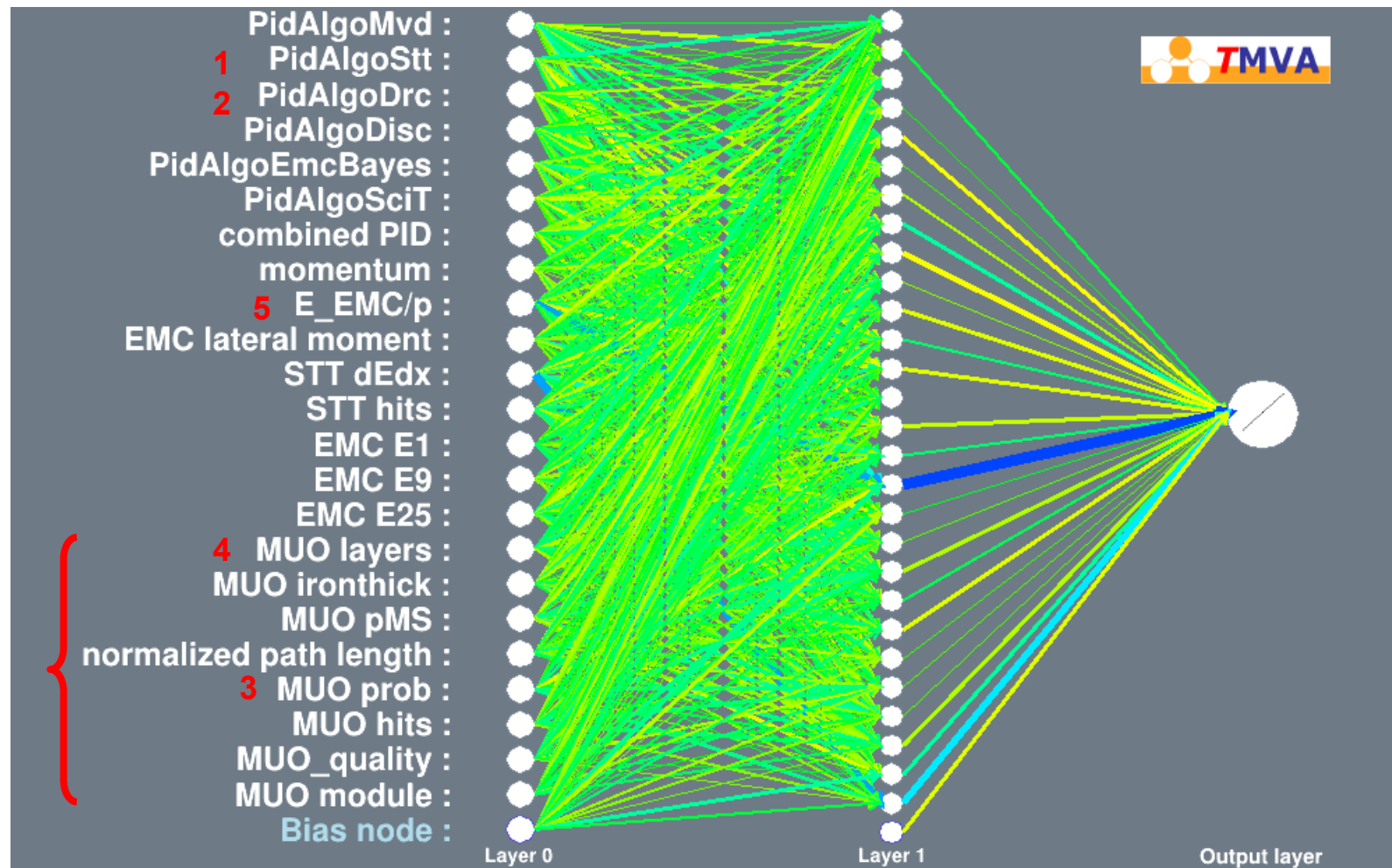
3. $(p_{MS} > p_{max})$ **but** (iron thickness < iron threshold) $\rightarrow P(\mu) = 0.0$

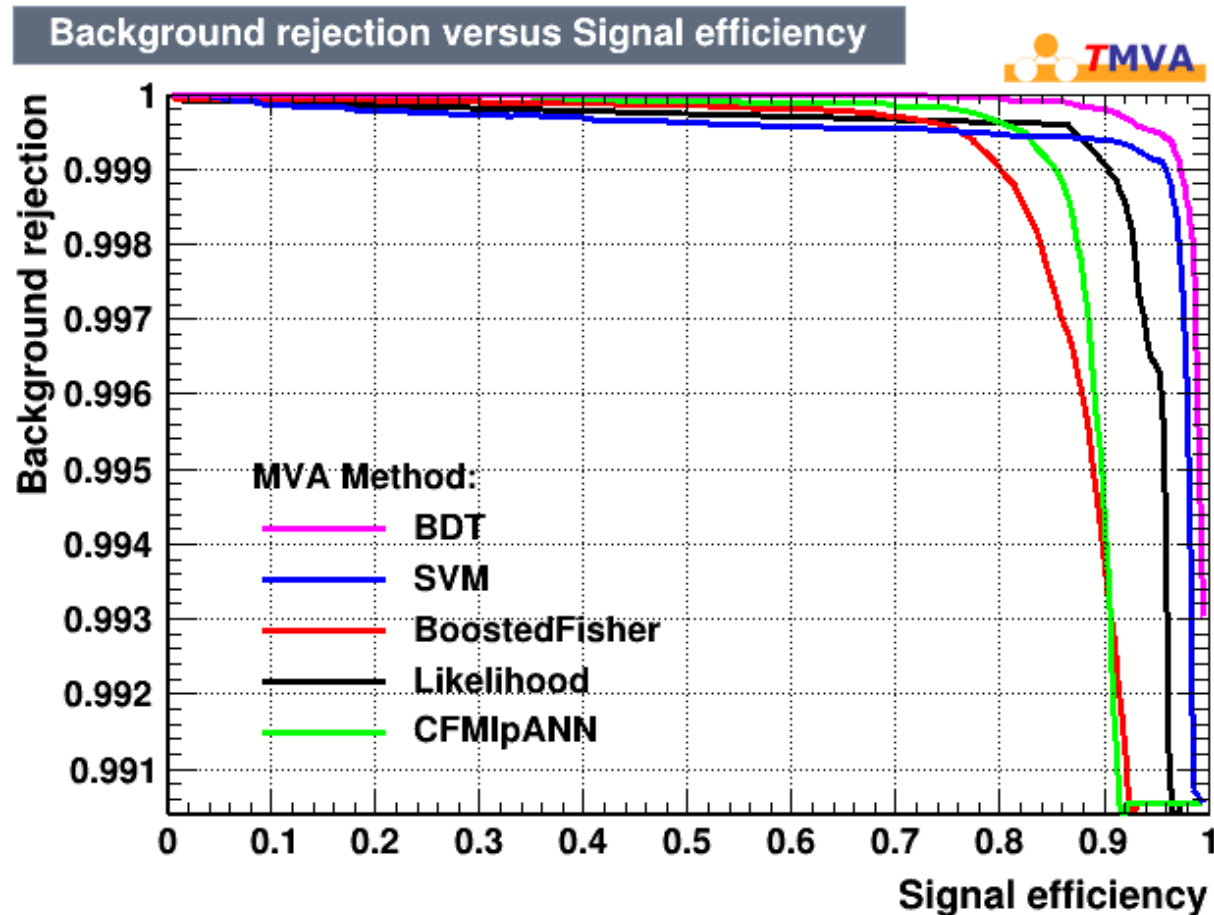
4. $(p_{min} < p_{MS} < p_{max})$ and (iron thickness > iron threshold) $\cdot \left(\frac{p_{MS}-p_{min}}{p_{max}-p_{min}}\right) \rightarrow P(\mu) = 1.0$

5. $(p_{min} < p_{MS} < p_{max})$ but (iron thickness < iron threshold) $\cdot \left(\frac{p_{MS}-p_{min}}{p_{max}-p_{min}}\right) \rightarrow P(\mu) = 0.0$

μ^- / μ^+ PID (TMVA analysis)

→ Include also the variables of the muon system

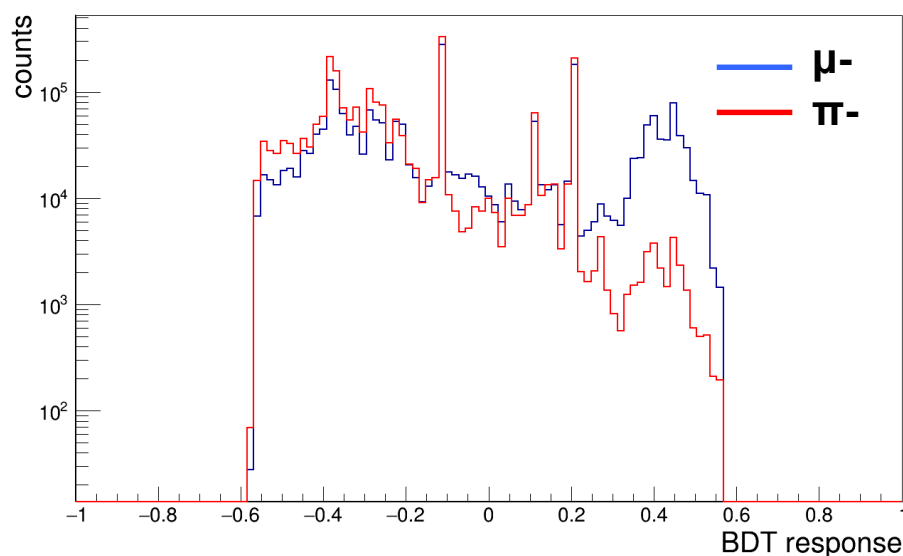


μ^- / μ^+ PID

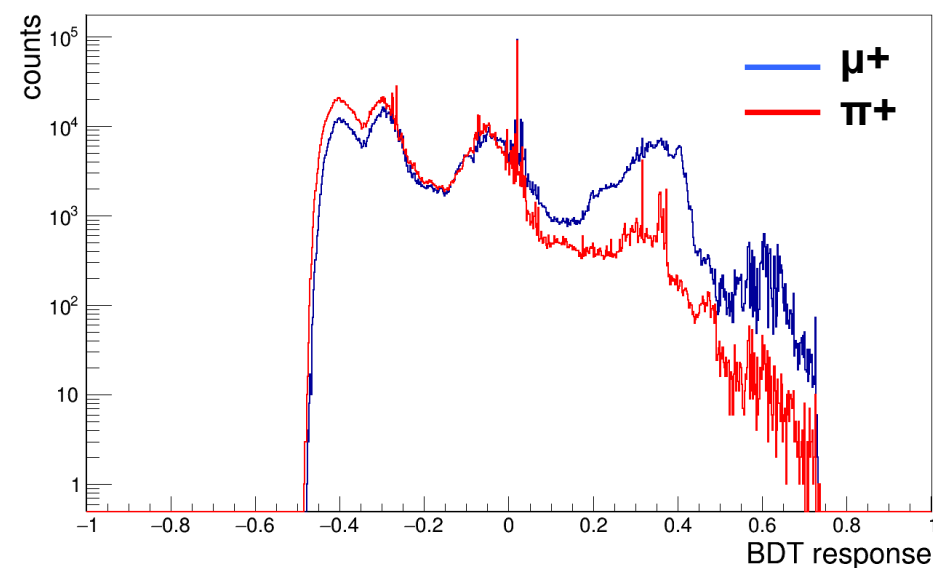
→ Also for muons a boosted decision tree (BDT) provides the best results

μ^- / μ^+ PID

BDT response for μ^- and π^-



BDT response for μ^+ and π^+



	BDT μ^- / μ^+	signal eff	S/B μ^- / μ^+
very loose	> 0.0 / 0.0	~ 42 - 43 %	15 / 12
loose	> 0.1 / 0.1	~ 41 - 42 %	16 / 14
standard	> 0.2 / 0.2	~ 37 - 38 %	19 / 18
very tight	> 0.2 / 0.37	37% / 10%	19 / 28
cut on PID variables		30% / 15 %	14 / 18

**no additional
improvement
for μ^- for
BDT > 0.2**

Effect of the improved PID on the final $e^- e^+$ sample

→ The PID studies so far were made for all electrons and pions of the sample

Now: - 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 of $7 \cdot 10^6$

classical PID refinements

standard TMVA cuts

	signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B		signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,0036	< 3,44 E-09	> 0,15		0,0027	< 3,44 E-09	> 0,11
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ -t < 1 GeV^2	0,0039	< 2,71 E-07	> 0,0021		0,0034	< 2,71 E-07	> 0,0018
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ -t < 0.7 GeV^2	0,0033	< 8,90 E-07	> 0,00052		0,0028	< 8,90 E-07	> 0,00045
$Q^2 > 1-3 \text{ GeV}^2$ -t < 1 GeV^2	0,0034	< 3,12 E-07	> 0,0016		0,0031	< 3,12 E-07	> 0,0014
$Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ -t < 1 GeV^2	0,0072	< 2,08 E-06	> 0,00050		0,0052	< 2,08 E-06	> 0,00036

→ The given background acceptances and S/B ratios are only limits, since in all cases no single background event was accepted from 261.339.500 generated $\pi^+ \pi^-$ events with $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

Effect of the improved PID on the final $e^- e^+$ sample

very tight TMVA cuts

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
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,00052	< 3,44 E-09	> 0,021		0,00463	~ 3,83 E-09	~ 0,17
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,00068	< 2,71 E-07	> 0,00036		0,00554	< 2,71 E-07	> 0,0029
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,00051	< 8,90 E-07	> 8,2 E-05		0,00458	< 8,90 E-07	> 0,00074
$Q^2 > 1-3 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,00065	< 3,12 E-07	> 0,00030		0,00519	< 3,12 E-07	> 0,0024
$Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,00089	< 2,08 E-06	> 6,1 E-05		0,00807	< 2,08 E-06	> 0,00056

- Signal efficiency is reduced by a factor 4-5
- As expected also now no single background event is accepted

- Signal efficiency increases by a factor 2-3
- A single background event out of 260 M is detected for the $Q^2 > 1$ case
- For this case the background is expected to be 6 x larger than the signal

Effect of the improved PID on the final $e^- e^+$ sample

- So far protons were selected with a cut on $PID_S > 0.05$ and $PID_C > 0.99$
- Now only $PID_C > 0.99$ is used

loose TMVA cuts

2-3 times larger wrong PID rate than classical cuts

classical PID refinements

	signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B		signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,00693	$\sim 3,83 \text{ E-}09$	$\sim 0,26$		0,00544	$< 3,44 \text{ E-}09$	$> 0,23$
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,01138	$< 2,71 \text{ E-}07$	$> 0,0060$		0,00817	$< 2,71 \text{ E-}07$	$> 0,0043$
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,00594	$< 8,90 \text{ E-}07$	$> 0,00095$		0,00433	$< 8,90 \text{ E-}07$	$> 0,00069$
$Q^2 > 1-3 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,01137	$< 3,12 \text{ E-}07$	$> 0,0052$		0,00791	$< 3,12 \text{ E-}07$	$> 0,0036$
$Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,01144	$< 2,08 \text{ E-}06$	$> 0,00079$		0,01005	$< 2,08 \text{ E-}06$	$> 0,00069$

- Signal efficiency doubles and background does not change (within the available statistics)
- A cut on $PID_C > 0.99$ only for protons seems to be sufficient

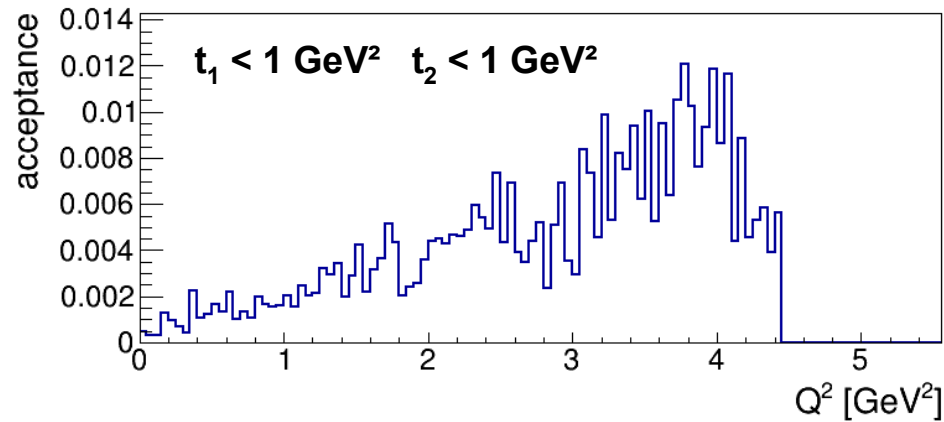
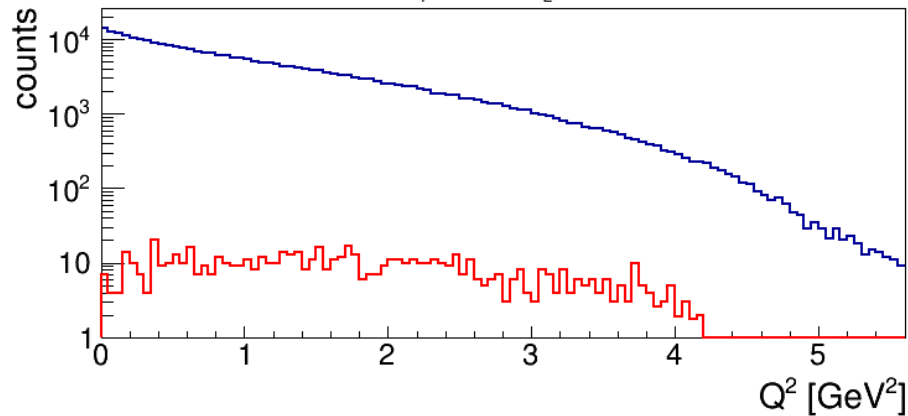
Effect of the PID cuts on the Q^2 acceptance

$p \bar{p} e^- e^+$

$s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$

classical PID refinements

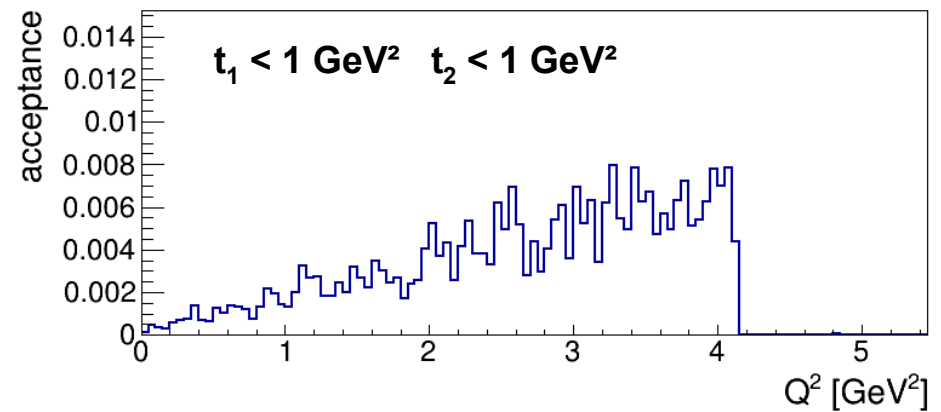
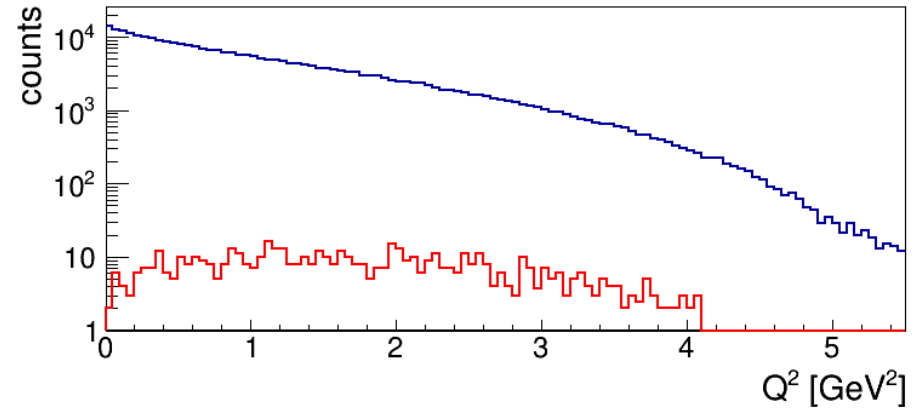
$Q^2: t_1 < 1.0 \text{ and } t_2 < 1.0$



acc = 0.2 – 1.0 %

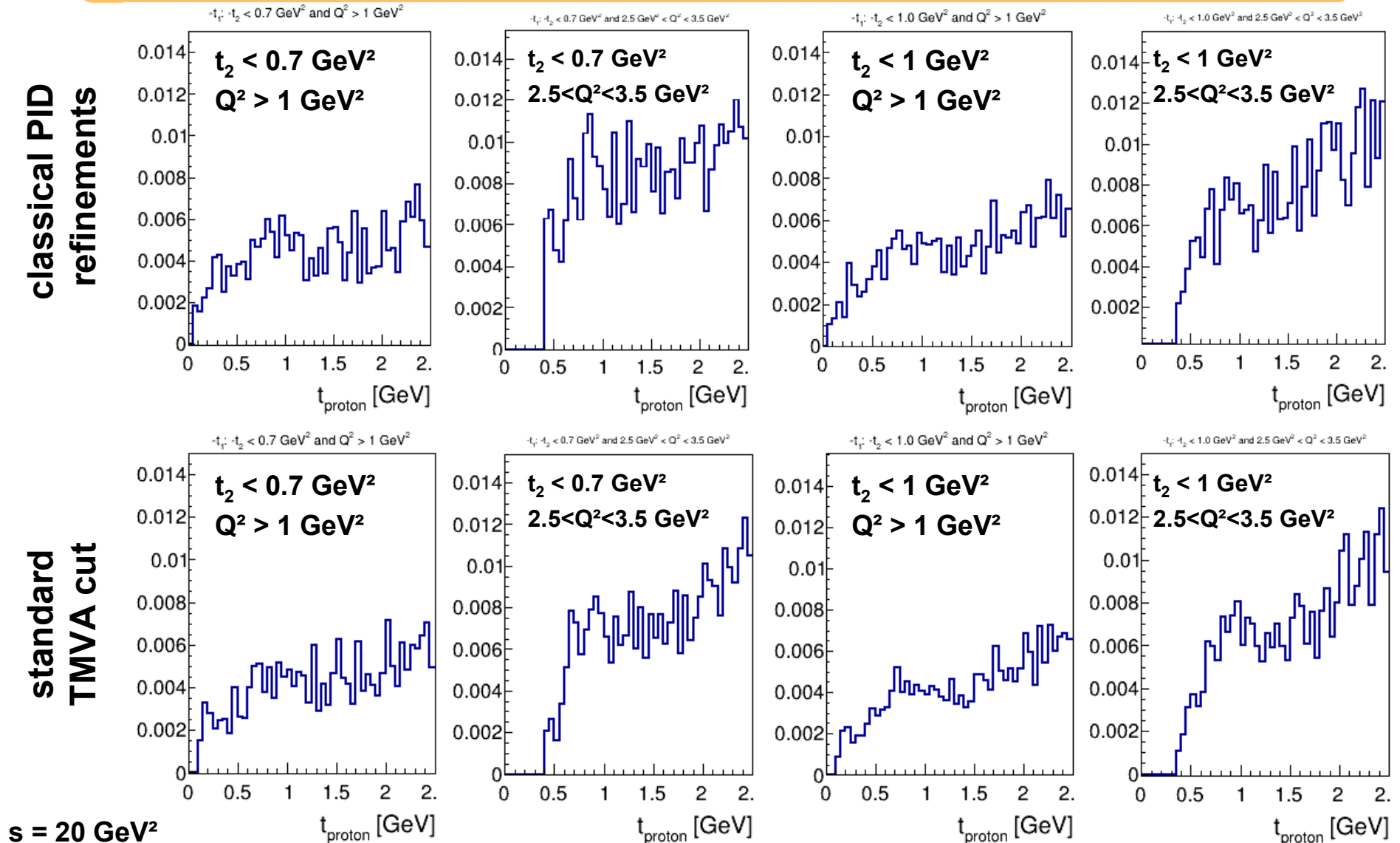
standard TMVA cut

$Q^2: t_1 < 1.0 \text{ and } t_2 < 1.0$

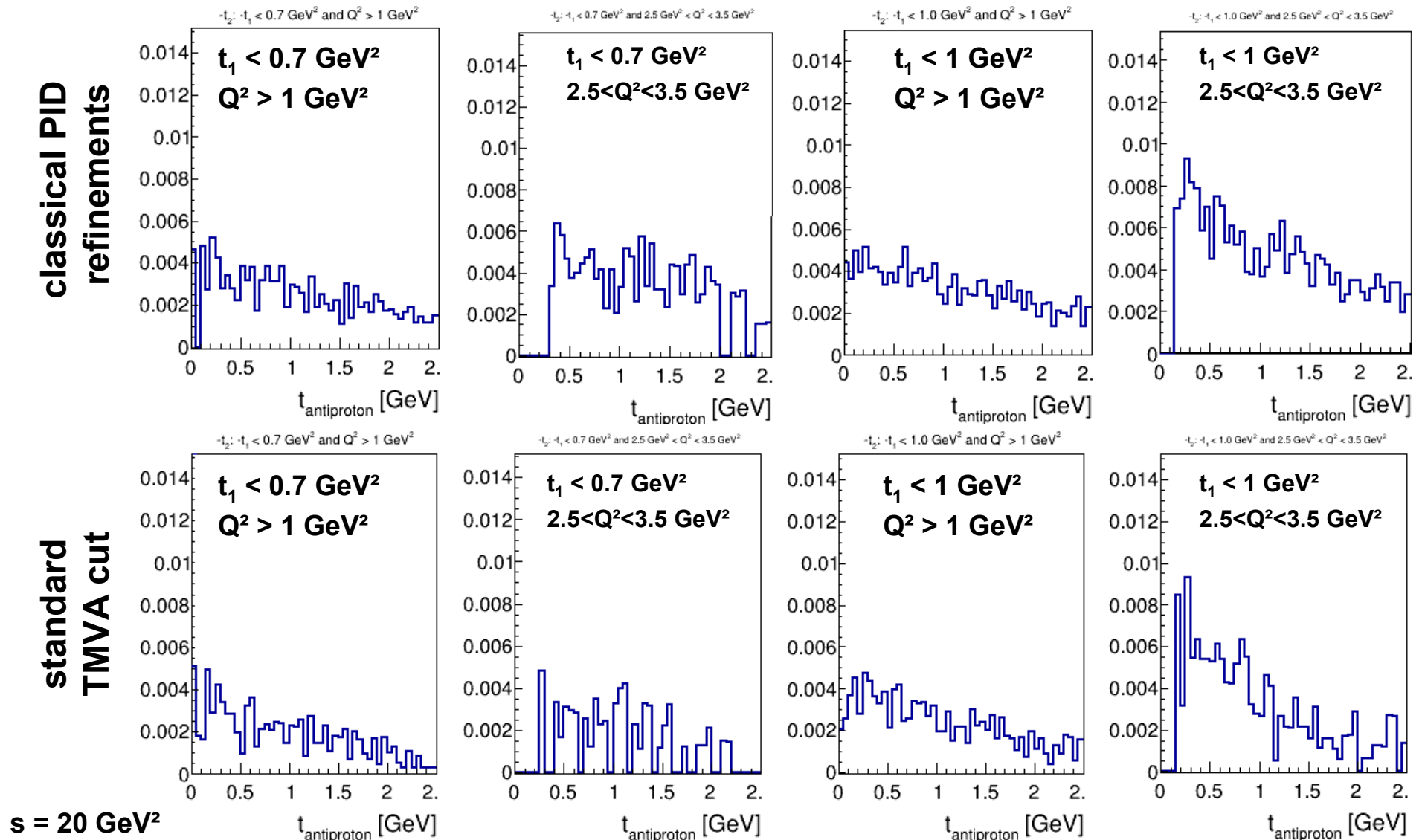


acc = 0.2 – 0.60 %

Effect of the PID cuts on the t_1 acceptance



Effect of the PID cuts on the t_2 acceptance

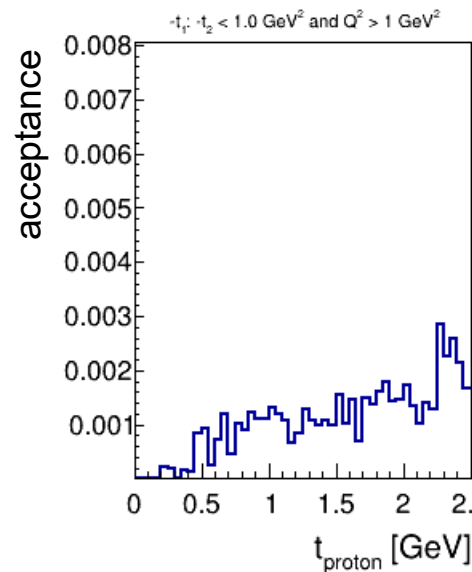


Effect of a **very tight TMVA PID** on the acceptance

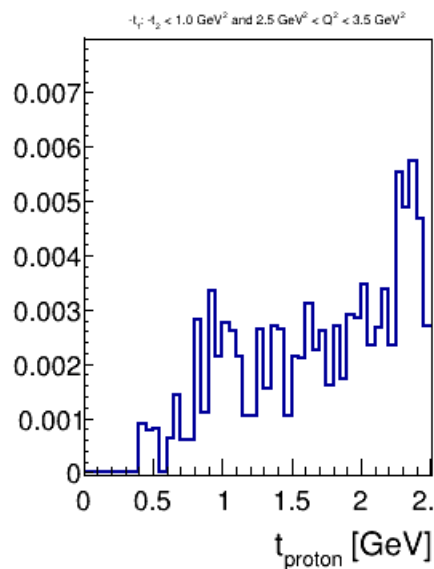
$s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$

proton

$t_1 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

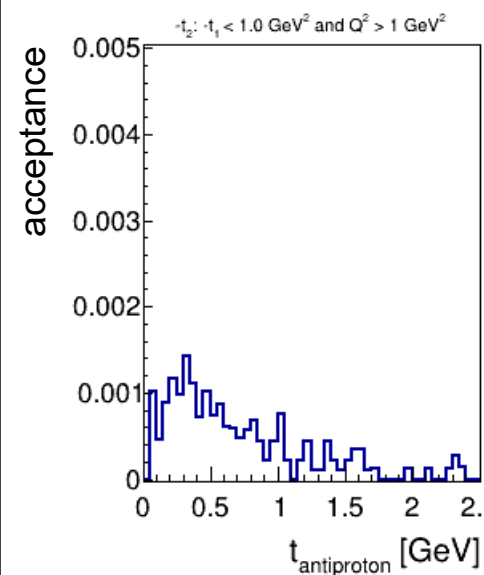


$t_1 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $2.5 < Q^2 < 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

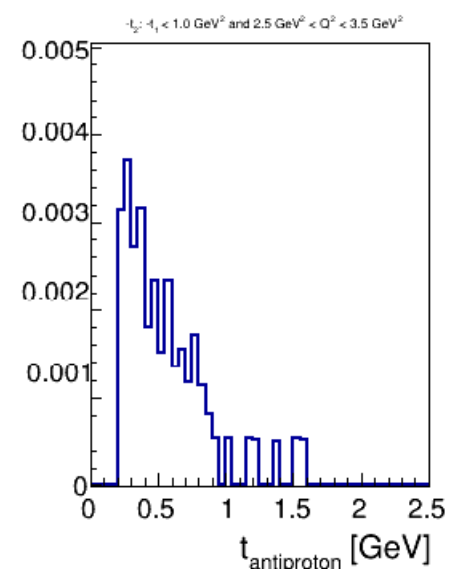


antiproton

$t_1 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$



$t_1 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$
 $2.5 < Q^2 < 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$



Very tight cut (probably not necessary): Acceptance in the order of 0.1 – 0.3 %

Effect of the improved PID on the final $\mu^- \mu^+$ sample

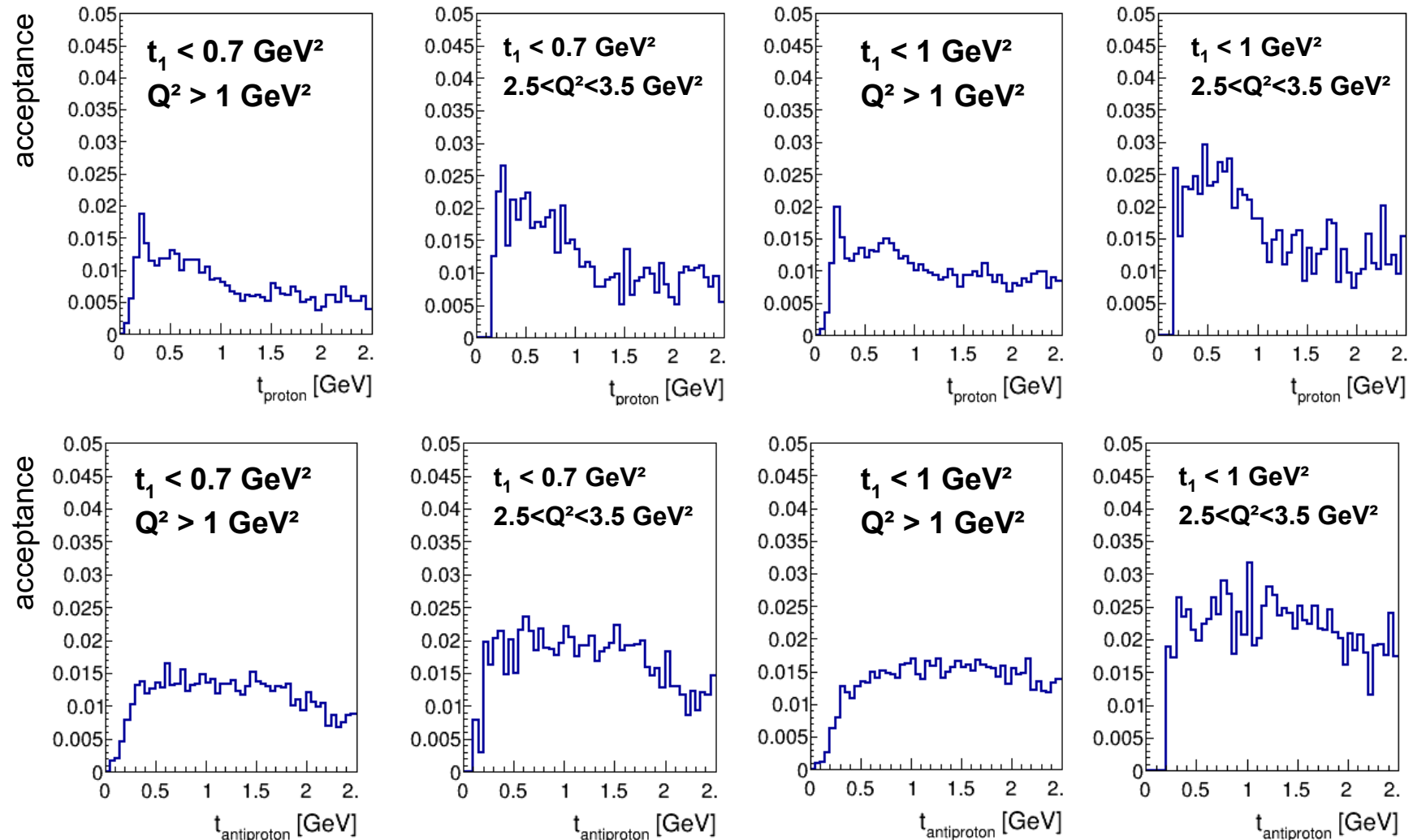
→ The expected S/B ratio is weighted with the expected cross section ratio of $7 \cdot 10^6$

	classical PID			standard TMVA cuts			
	signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B		signal acc.	backgr. acc.	expected S/B
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,0095	0,00011	1,23 E-05		0,016	0,00010	2,17 E-05
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,012	0,00012	1,40 E-05		0,015	0,00017	1,23 E-05
$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,011	0,00013	1,17 E-05		0,013	0,00024	7,91 E-06
$Q^2 > 1-3 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,011	0,00012	1,29 E-05		0,011	0,00018	9,00 E-06
$Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ $-t < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$	0,022	0,00015	2,11 E-05		0,038	0,00015	3,59 E-05

- Muon PID is not sufficient to control the background
- Even stricter TMVA cuts show no significant improvements
- More investigations have to be performed

Effect of the PID cuts on the $-t$ acceptance of μ^- / μ^+

→ standard TMVA cut



Effect of the PID on the count rates and uncertainties

- Differential cross section available for $s = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$, 20 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 i.e. $2.5 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

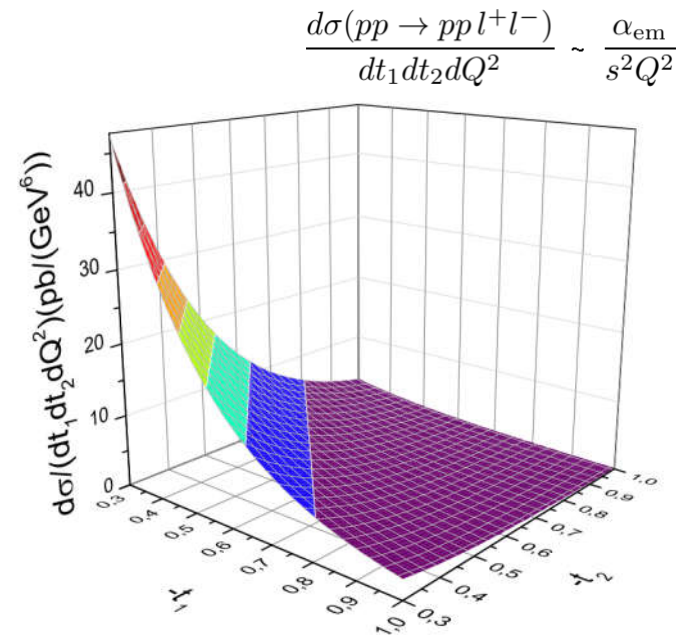
→ $\Delta Q^2 = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

- Set the bin size in $-t$:

i. e. $\Delta t_1 = \Delta t_2 = 0.05 \text{ GeV}^2$

- $L = 2 \text{ fb}^{-1} \rightarrow 1/2 \text{ year at the design luminosity}$

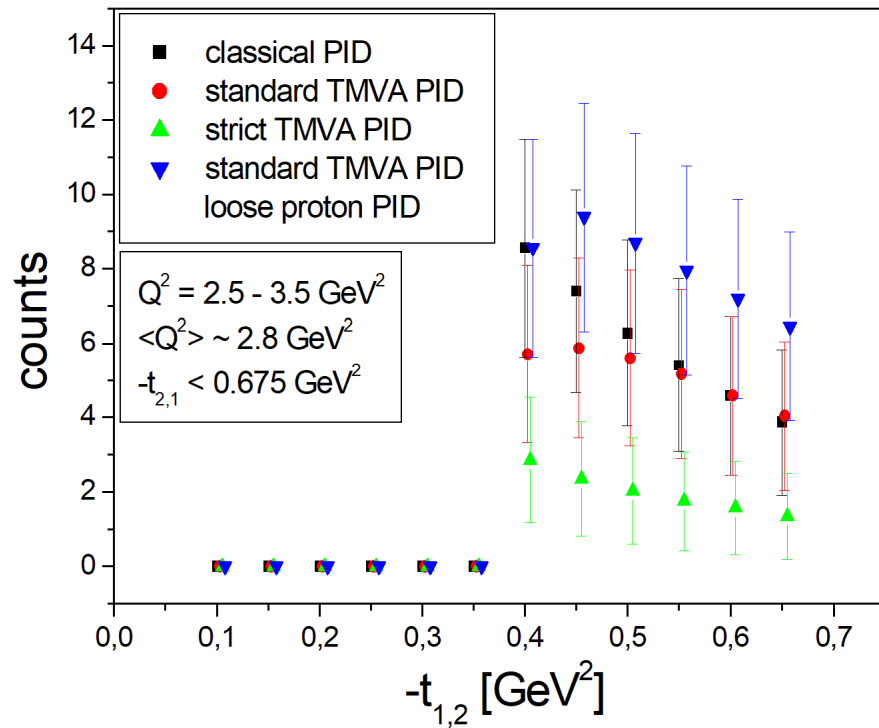
- Acceptance based on MC simulations (without a detected antiproton – topology 2)



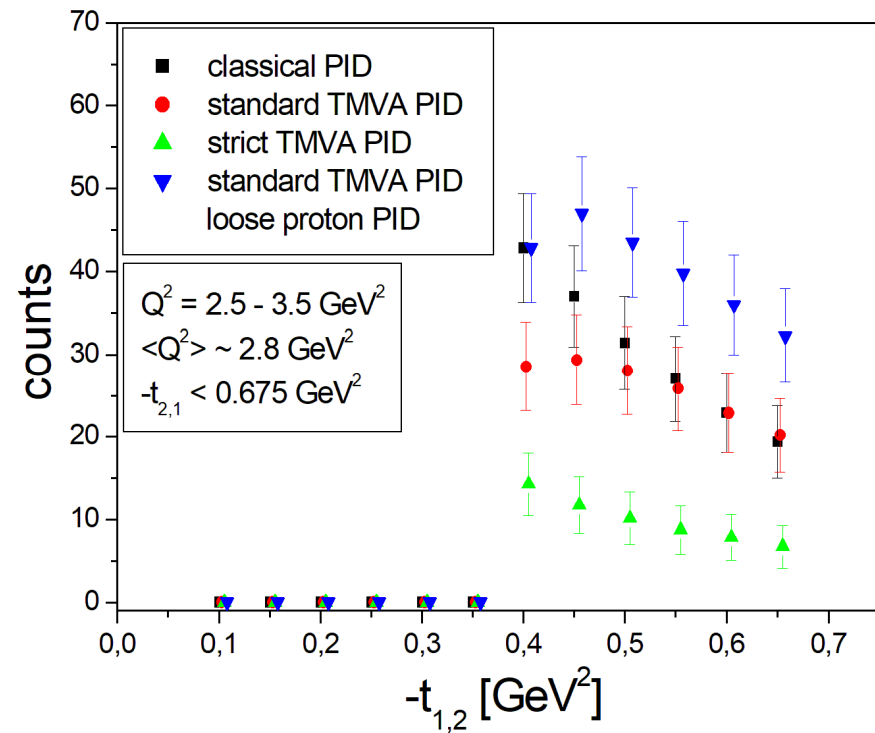
Rate estimate for $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$

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

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



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

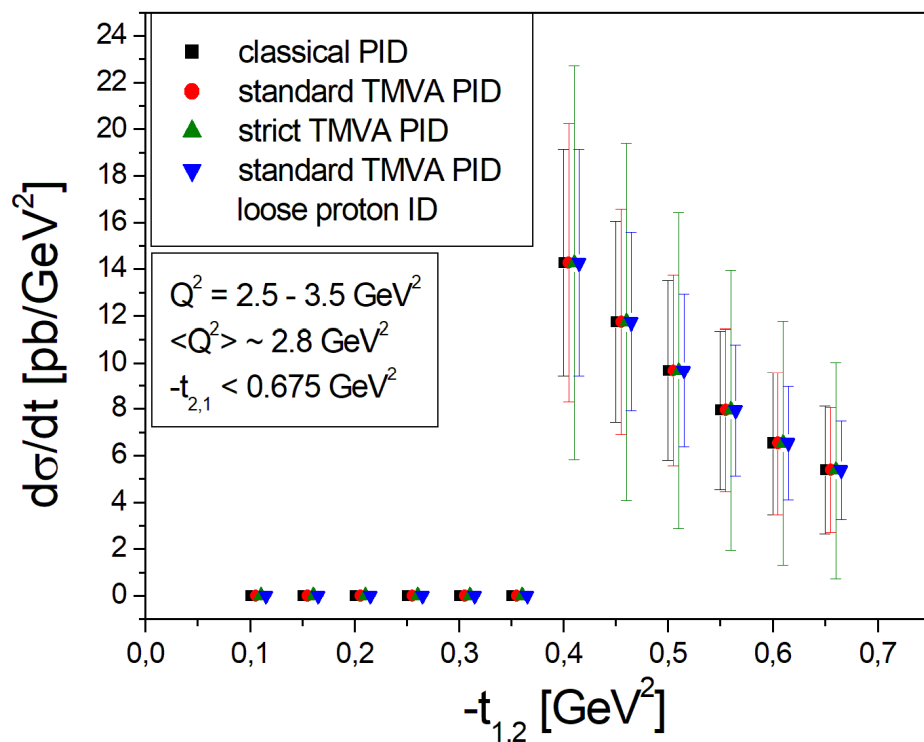


$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2 \rightarrow \sim \text{counts} * 4$

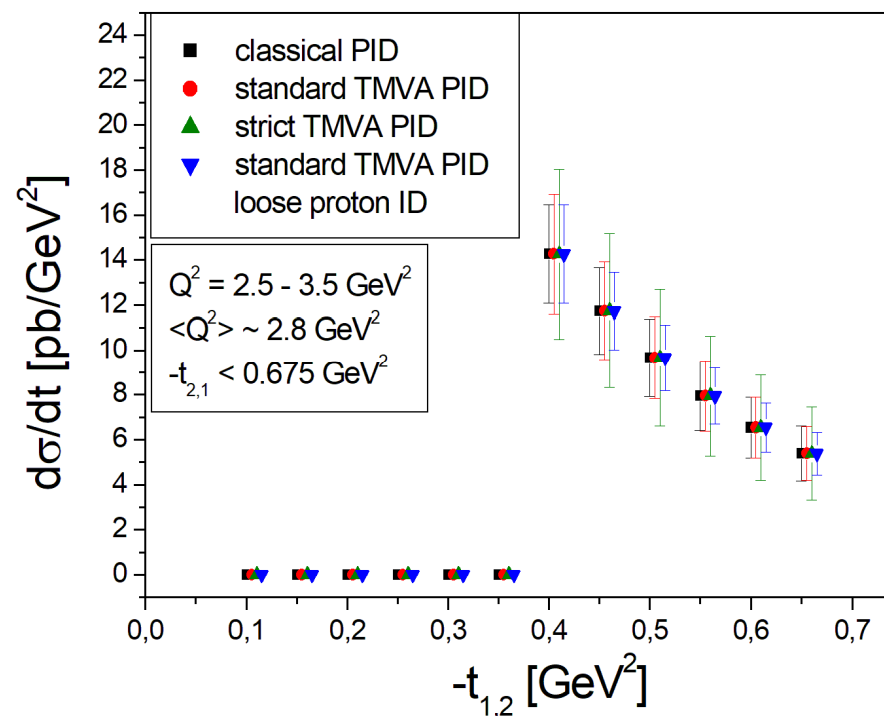
Rate estimate for $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$

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

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

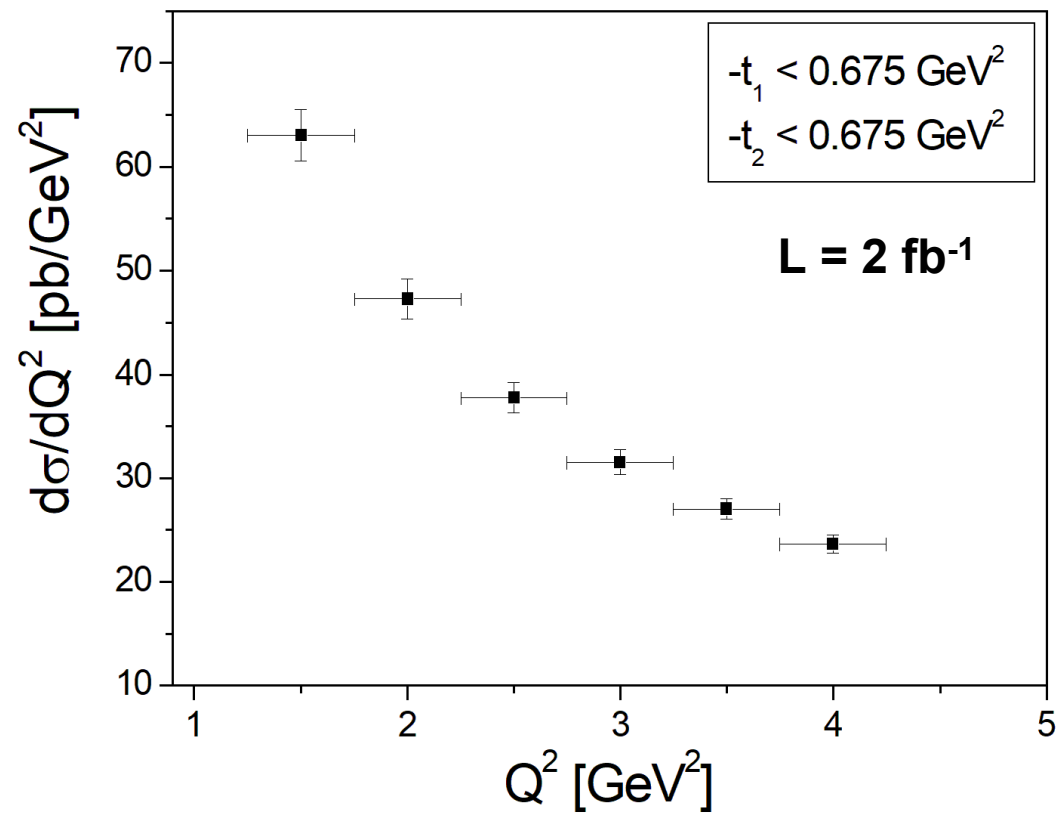


$L = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



Q^2 dependence at $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$

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



Summary and Outlook

- ➔ Center of mass energies between $s = 20 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $s = 30 \text{ GeV}^2$ provide suitable kinematics to measure the reaction
- ➔ PID refinements with classical cuts and a TMVA analysis have been investigated for electrons and muons
- ➔ For e^- / e^+ a good pion suppression can be achieved
- ➔ For μ^- / μ^+ more investigations are needed
- ➔ More MC data needs to be produced after the filters are working for the generator
- ➔ A stricter cut reduces the acceptance
 - ➔ More integrated luminosity is needed for a reasonable uncertainty
- ➔ **A trade-off between background rejection and acceptance has to be found!**