

# Particle identification using $dE/dx$ from the CDC

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# Outline

- Particle identification
- dE/dx basics: CDC structure, ionization, and universality
- Reconstruction and truncated mean
- dE/dx calibration
  - Overview of calibration constants
  - Electron calibration: run gain, wire gain, injection time, saturation
  - Hadron calibration: saturation,  $\beta\gamma$  curve, resolution
- Conclusions

Note: I will not discuss dE/dx in the SVD which is done by others (some concepts are similar)

# Particle Identification

- **Particle identification** is a crucial part of several experiments in Particle physics.
  - **Goal: identify long-lived particles which create signals in the detector**
    - Charged:  $e, \mu, K, \pi, p, d$   $\Leftarrow$  These are the domain of  $dE/dx!!!$
    - Neutral:  $\gamma, \nu, n, K_S, K_L$
  - **Short-lived particles identified from their decay into long-lived particles.**
- Many common Particle identification technologies depend on particle velocity
  - **Time of flight (TOF):** directly measures velocity as time to travel a known distance.
  - **Cherenkov light detector:** use **optical sonic boom** of light produced when  $\beta c = v > c/n$  in a material
  - **Specific ionization ( $dE/dx$ ):** Energy loss depends on velocity
- **There are some special PID detectors, especially for leptons...**
  - **Electrons** deposit all their energy in EM Calorimeters (ECL)  
They make peaks in “E/p”: ECL energy over CDC momentum
  - **Muons** are the only highly penetrating charged particles: look for charged tracks after thick layers of steel (KLM)

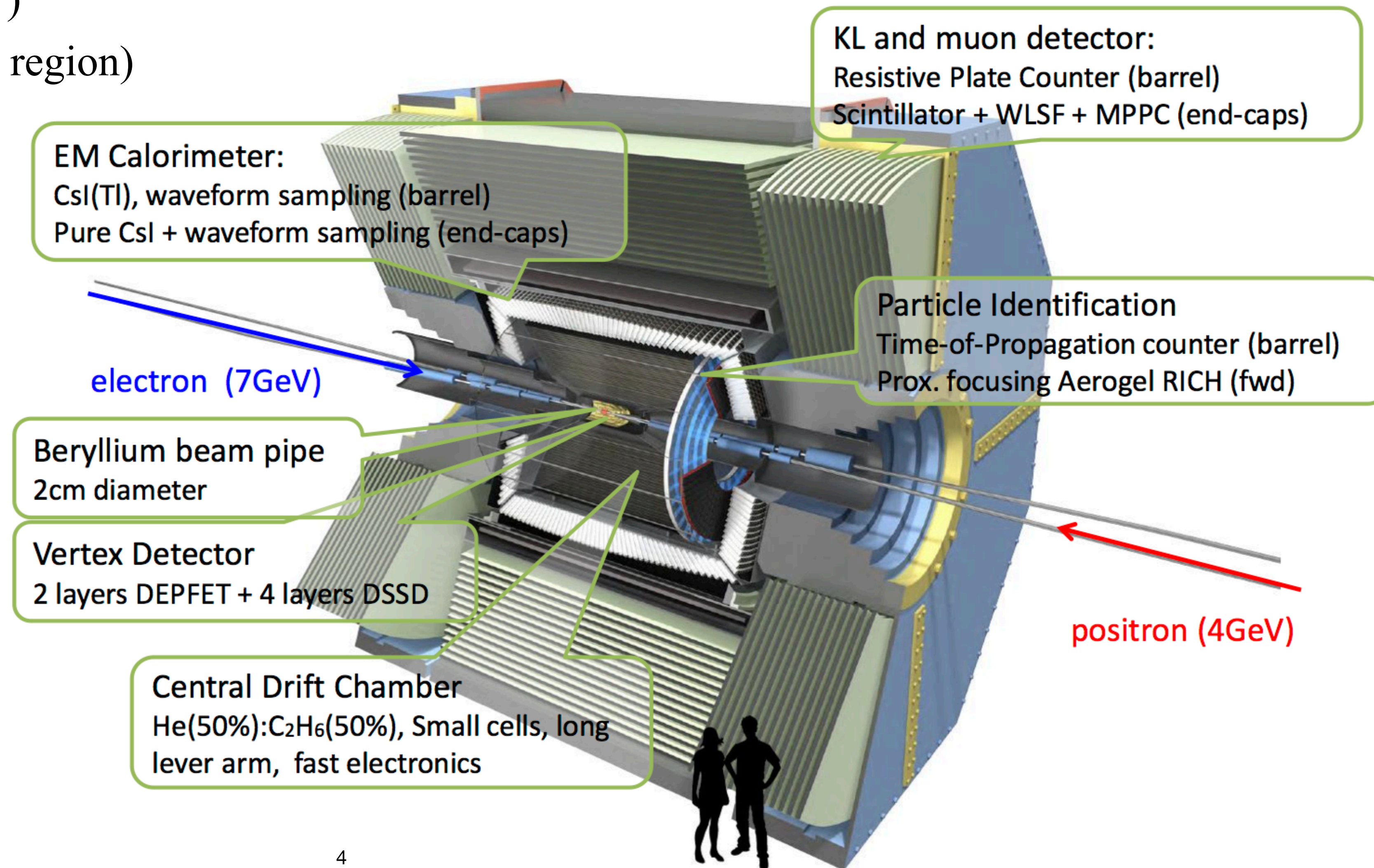
# Particle Identification in BelleII

- **Three primary detectors for hadron** identification:

- Central Drift Chamber (CDC)
- Time of Propagation Counter (TOP)
- Aerogel RICH (ARICH in forward region)

- **Special detectors for lepton** identification:

- Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECL)
- $K_L$  and muon detector (KLM)



# Central drift chamber (CDC)

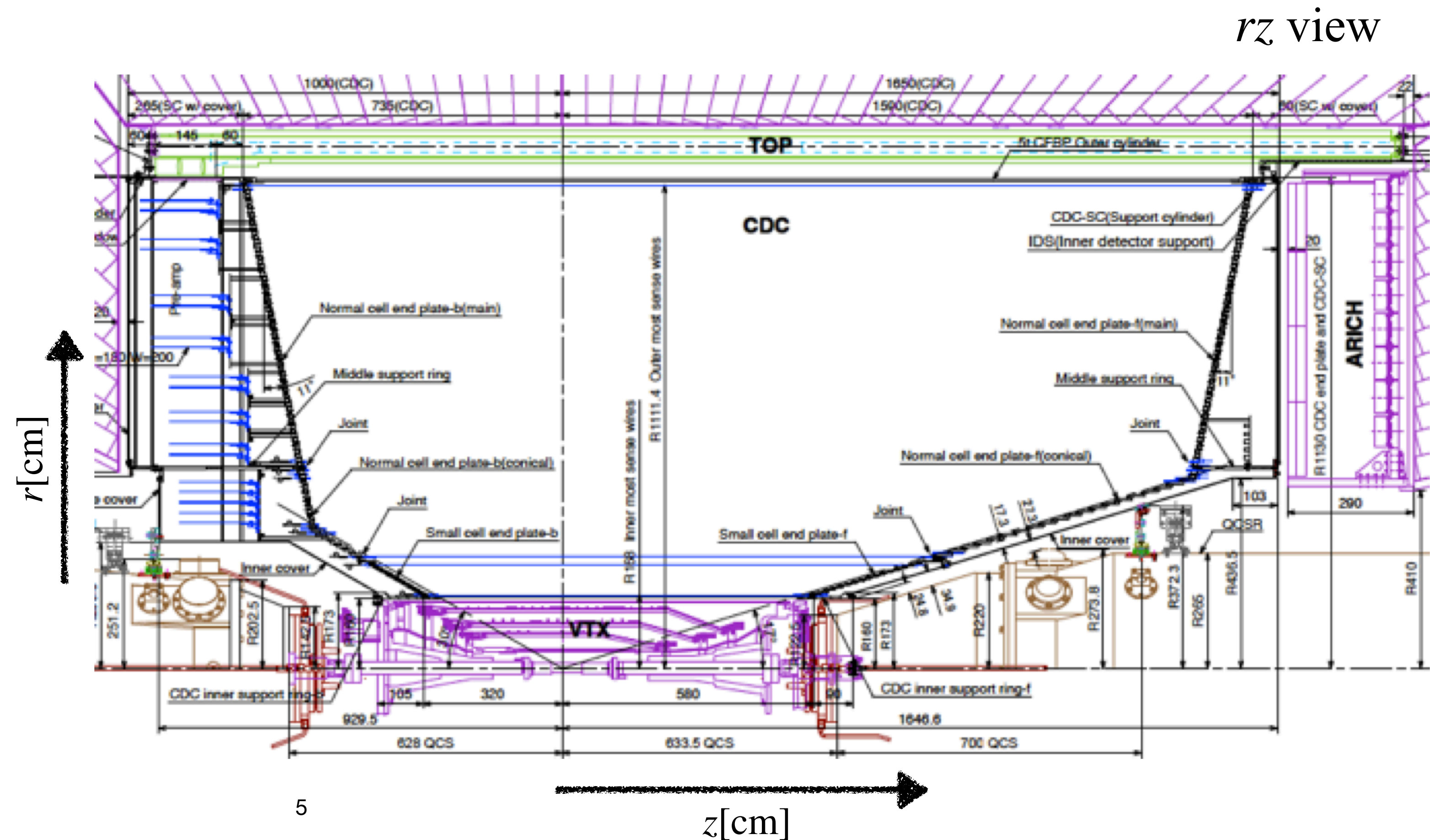
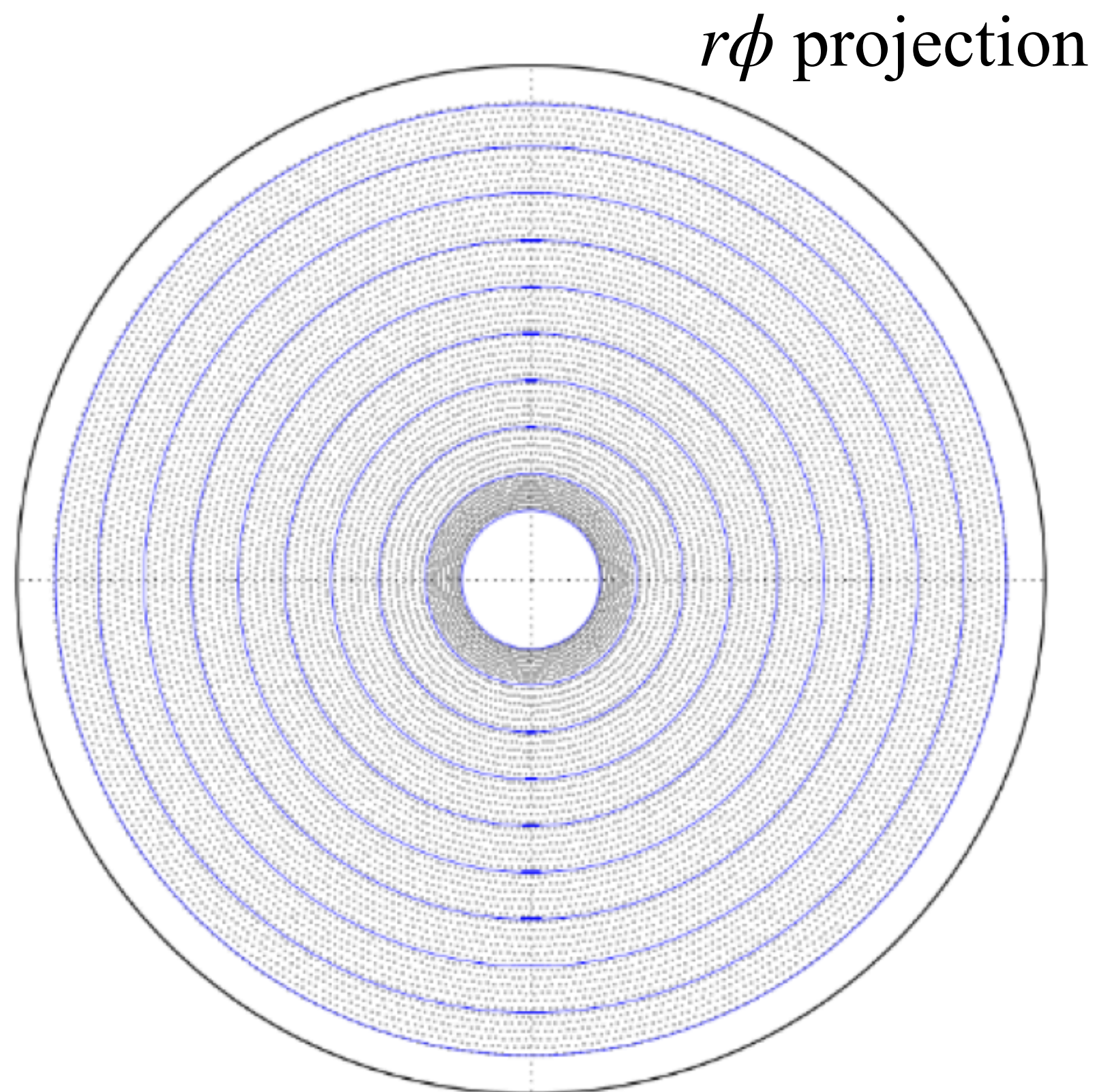
- **Three important roles of CDC in Belle-II**

- Measure momentum of charged tracks.
- Particle identification (PID) using (dE/dx) measurements.
- used as trigger signals for charged particles.

The particles travel in helices:

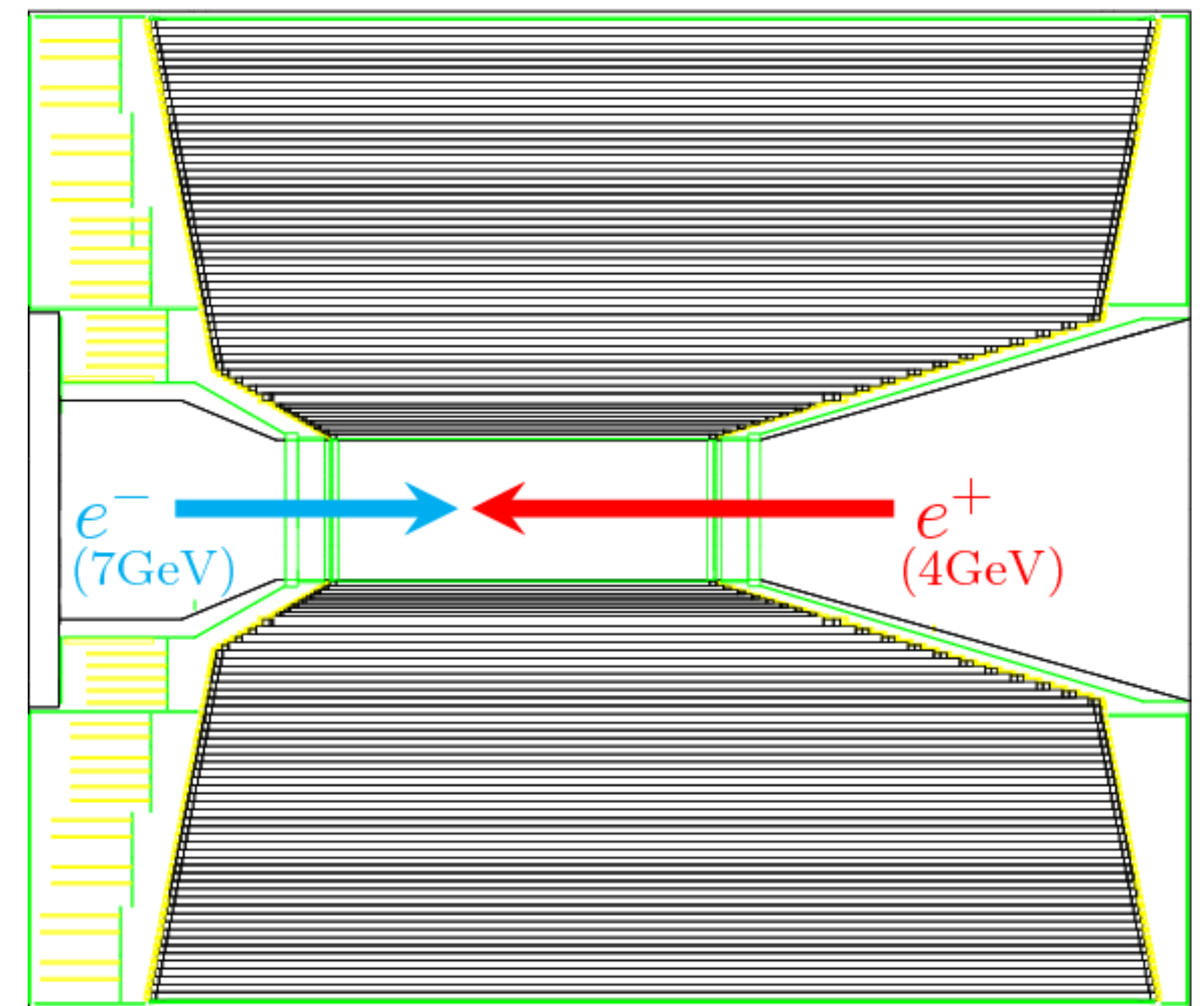
$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q\gamma [\vec{\beta} \times \vec{B}]$$

Covers  $17^\circ < \theta < 150^\circ$  (polar angle)



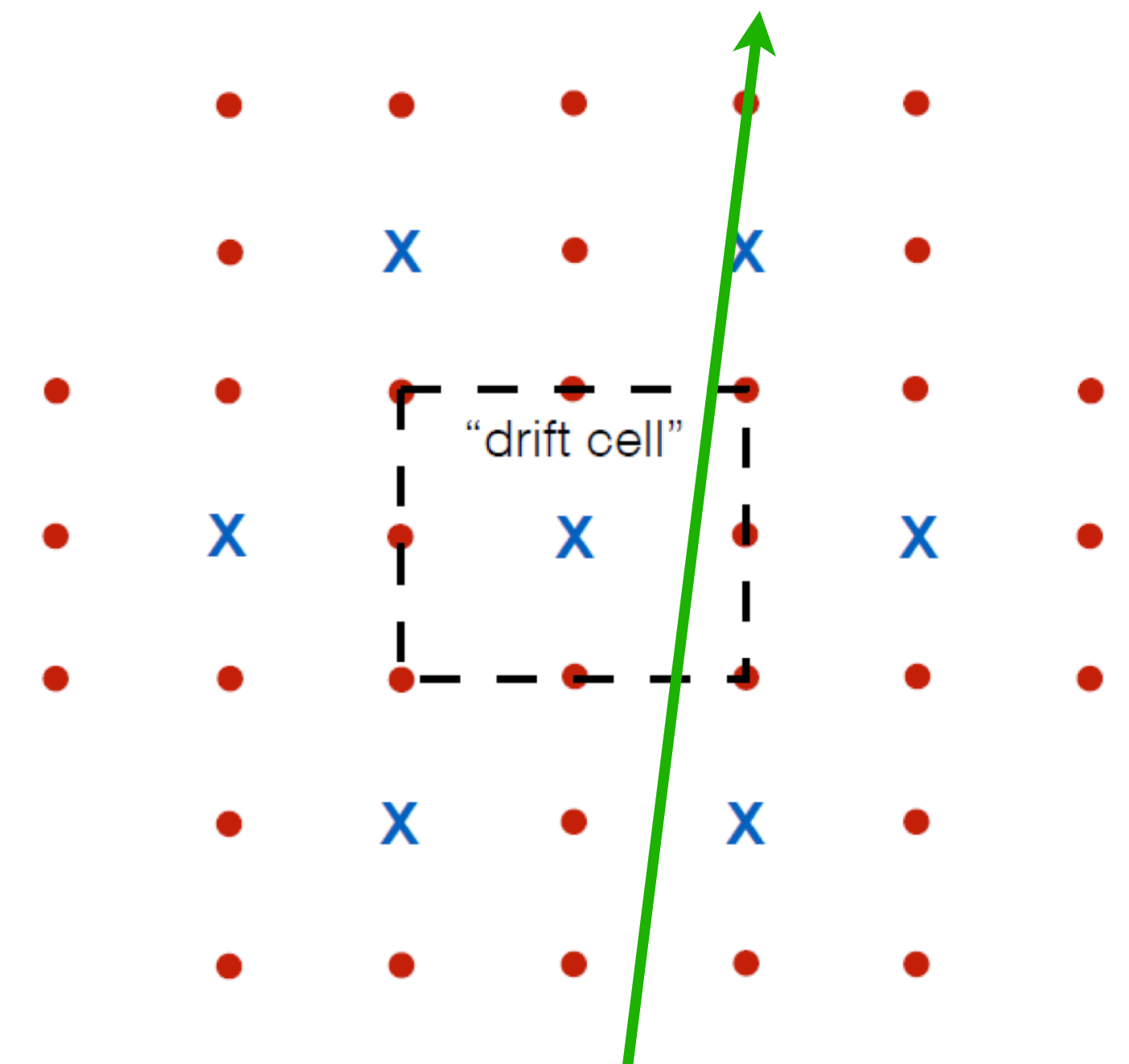
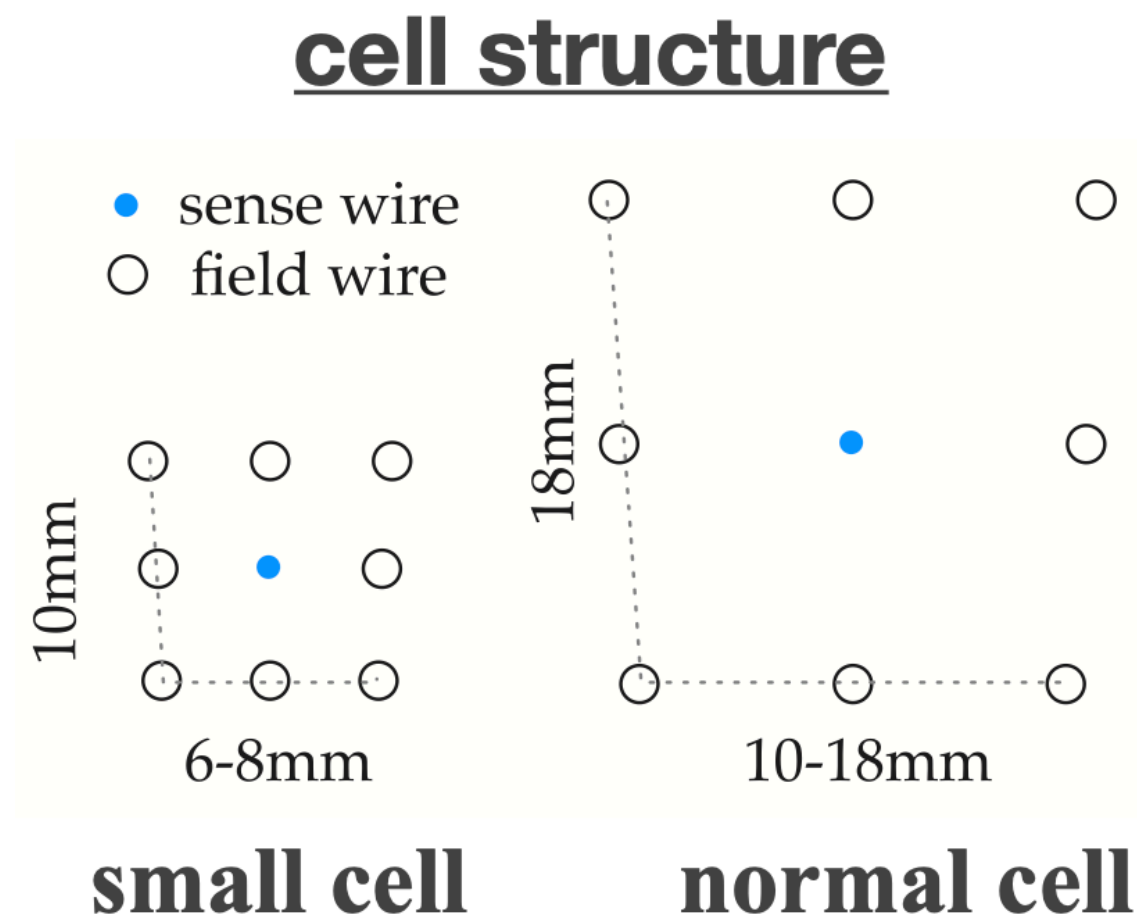
# Belle II CDC structure

- Cylindrical shaped gas-filled drift chamber composed of
  - 56 layers (grouped to  $1 \times 8$ ,  $8 \times 6$ )
  - 14336 thin wires (160 - 384 wires in layer).
- CDC layers alternate between **field wire** and **sense wire**.
  - **Sense wire** - large potential (anode)
  - **Field wire** - grounded



8 **field wires** surround each **sense wire** (but shared w/ other cells)

- Electrons liberated by ionization drift toward the anode (sense wires).
- Near the sense wires, the larger electric field causes the electrons to create avalanches and the signal is collected from sense wires.

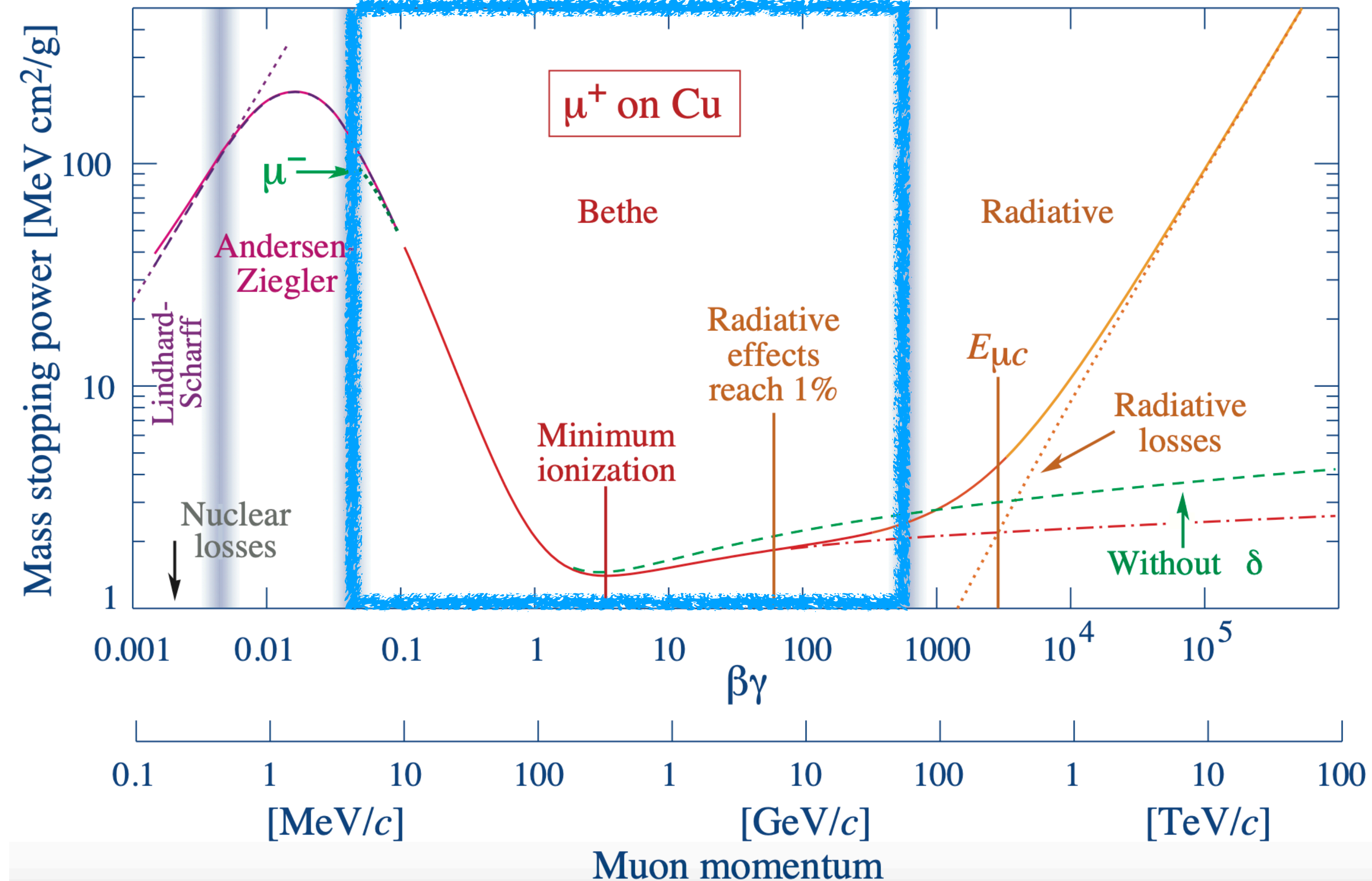


# dE/dx basics

- Charged particles passing through matter can knock out electrons from atoms of the medium: **ionization**.
- The energy loss (dE/dx) is described by **Bethe-Block formula**.
- This can be used to identify particles, particularly at low momentum where dE/dx varies rapidly.
- **dE/dx has following properties:**
  - Independent of mass of incident particle.
  - Depends only on  $\beta\gamma$  ( $= p/m$ )
  - Depends on the charge of incident particle squared.

**Bethe-Block Formula** 
$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = Kq^2 \frac{Z}{A\beta^2} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_{max}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right]$$

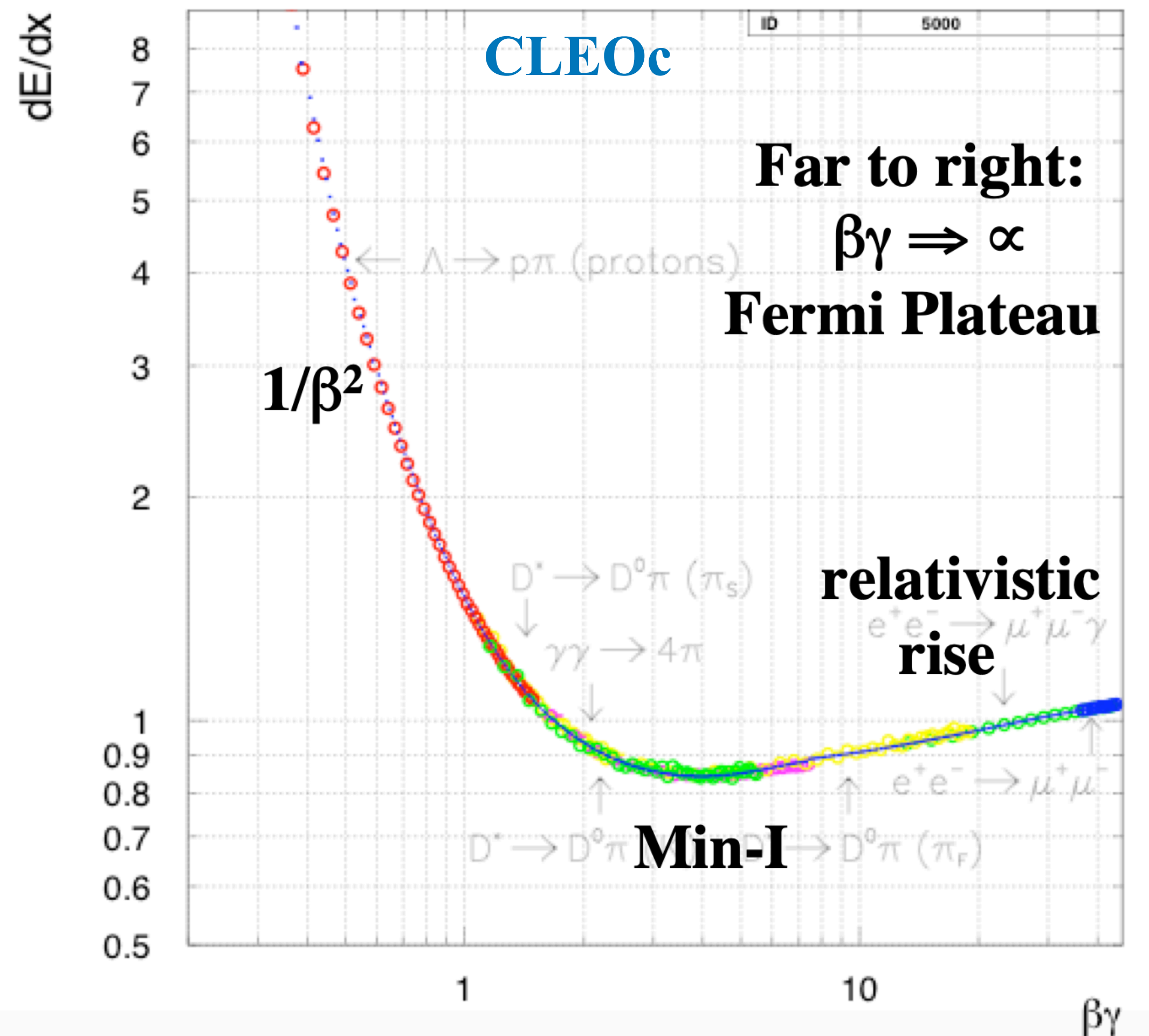
## dE/dx momentum region



From PDG Review on  
**Passage of Particles through Matter**

# Universal dE/dx curve

- The dE/dx vs.  $\beta\gamma$  curve should be **universal**.
- dE/dx depend only on  $\beta\gamma = p/m$  (Bethe-Bloch formula)



## Four important $\beta\gamma$ region of curve:

1. **1/ $\beta^2$  region** at low  $\beta\gamma$ , where  $dE/dx \sim 1/\beta^2$
2. **Min-I**, minimum-ionization region near  $\beta\gamma \approx 4$
3. **Relativistic rise**, after Min-I (35% increases)
4. **Fermi plateau** at very large  $\beta\gamma$

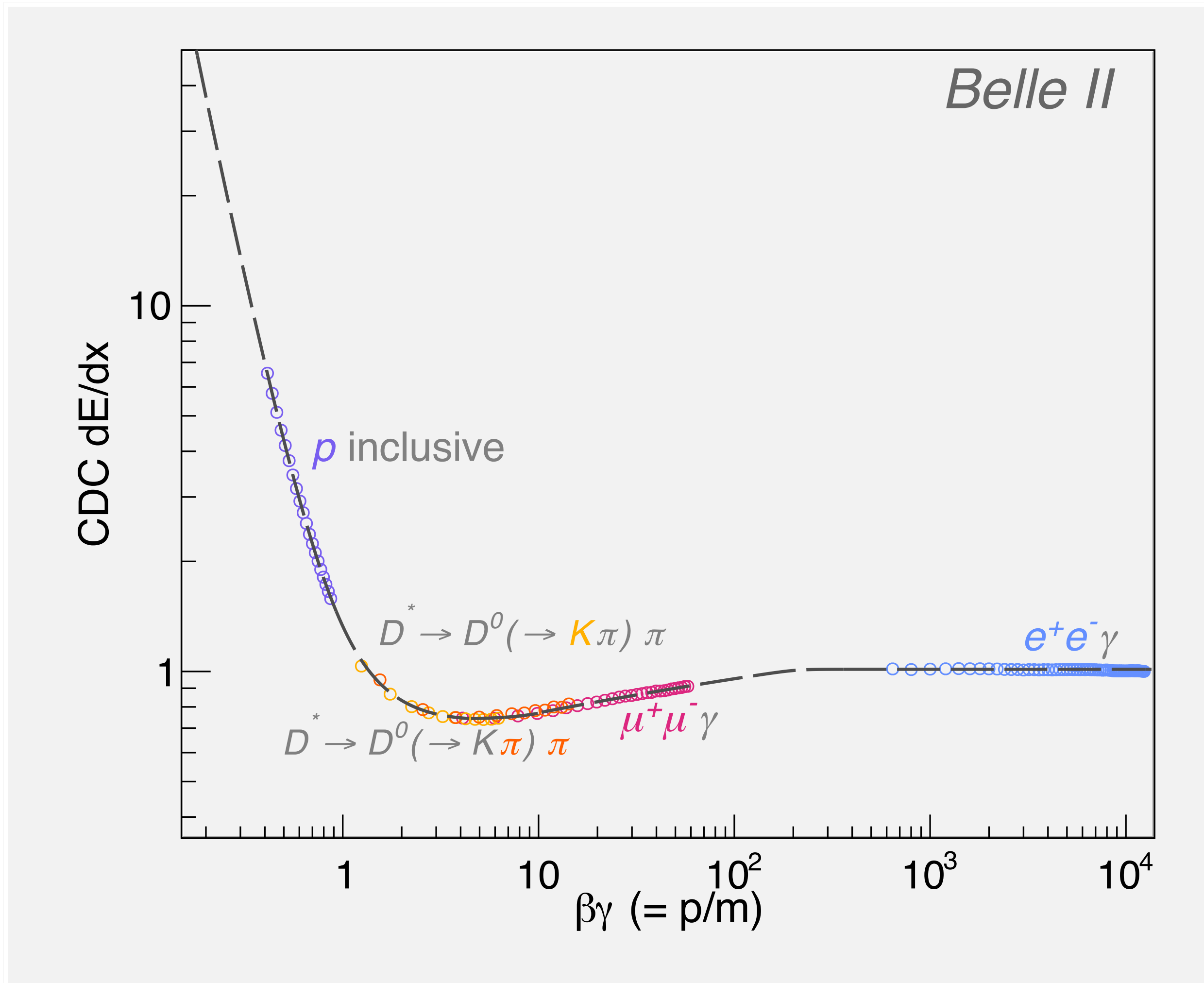
- Different colors points: different particle types (i.e., different masses)

- All lie on one universal curve!  $\Rightarrow$  Only depends on  $\beta\gamma = p/m$



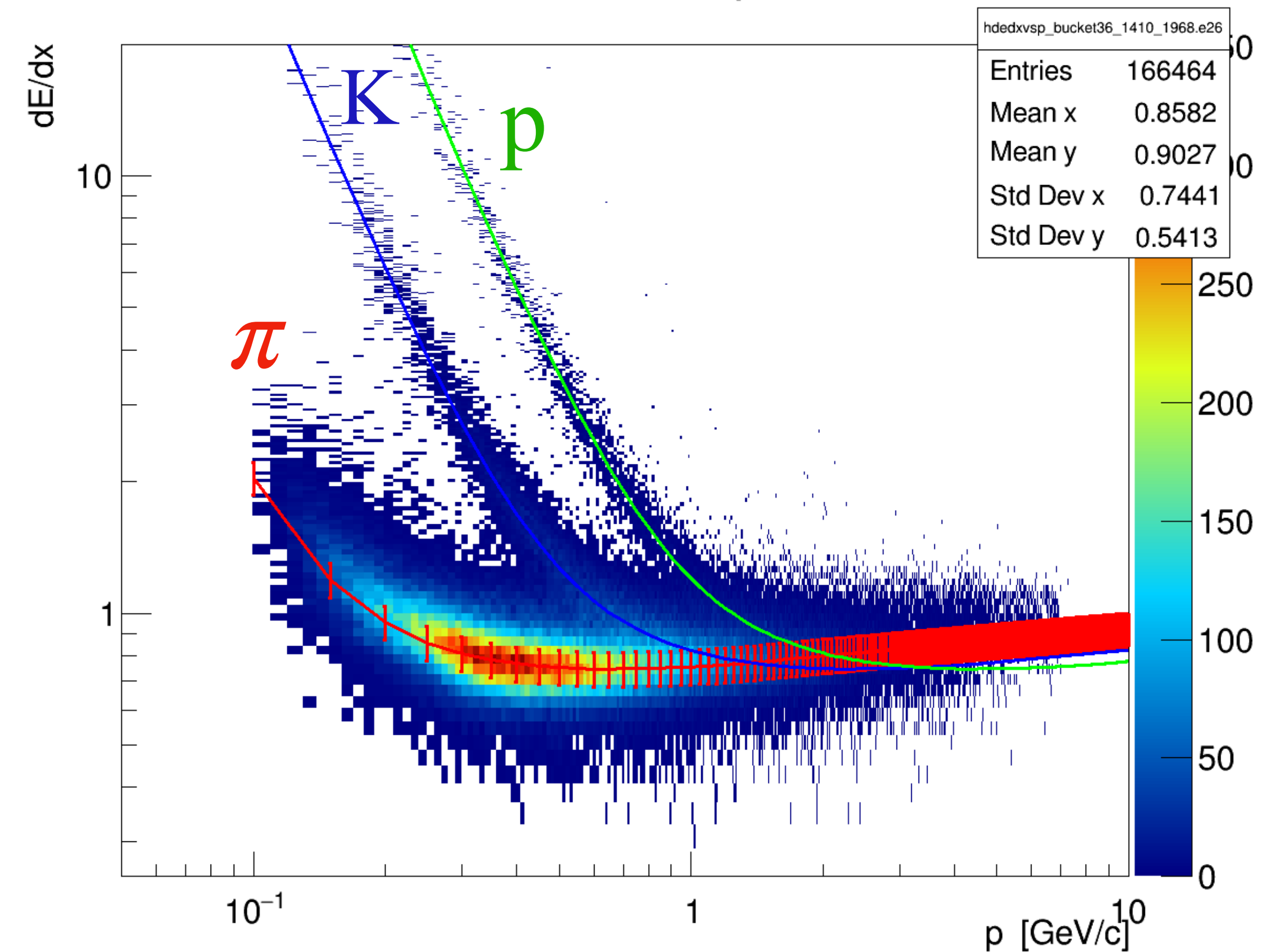
# dE/dx curve from Belle II data

**dE/dx vs.  $\beta\gamma$**



- Mass of charged particles have definite discrete values.
- Mass shifts the universal  $\beta\gamma$  curve to a series of **parallel curves** when plotted vs.  $p = \beta\gamma m$

Hadrons curves with predictions



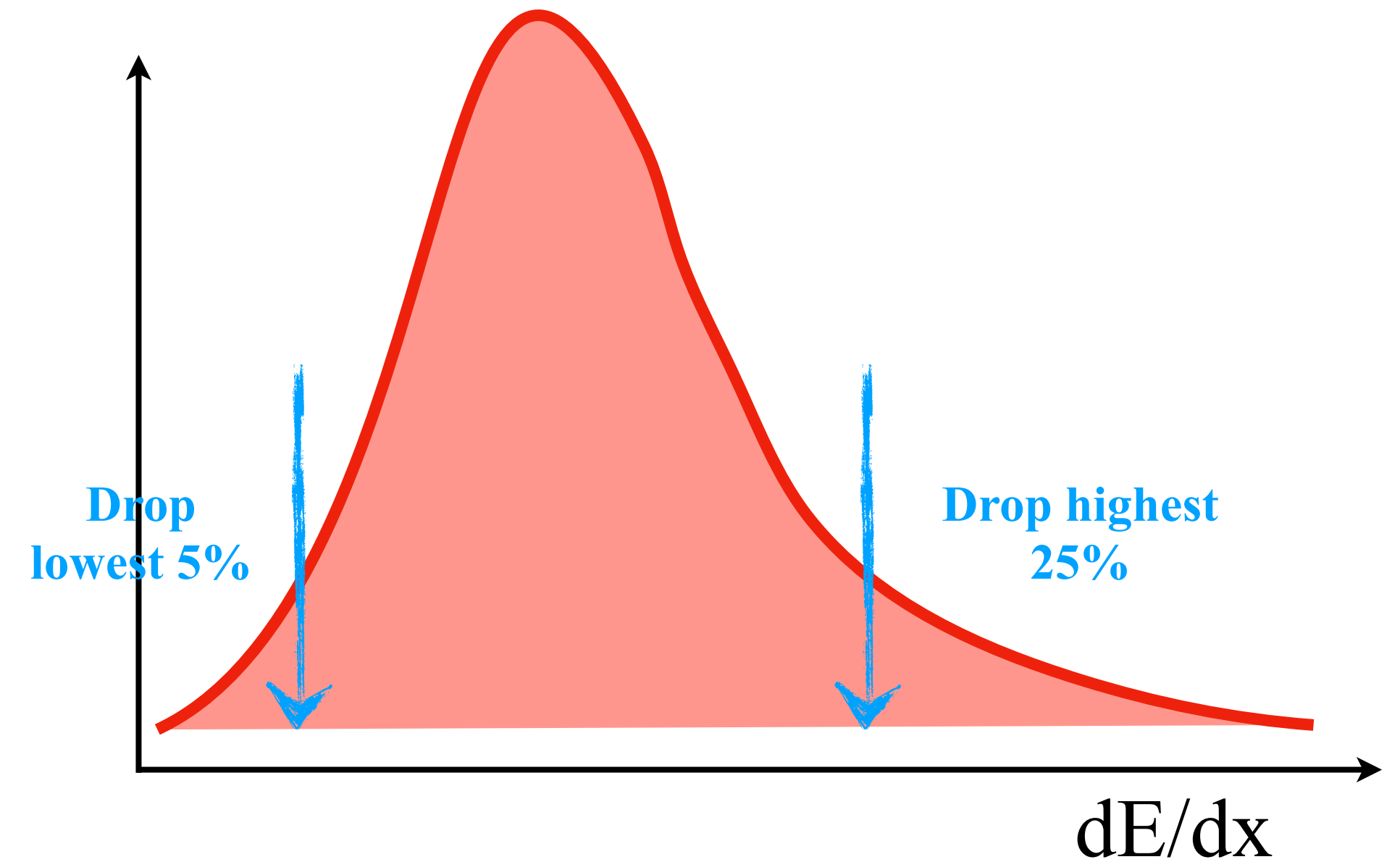
**dE/dx vs. p**

# Reconstruction and Truncated mean

## Two possible reconstruction methods:

- **Hit Method:** Take a “truncated mean” of the list of corrected charges from each hit.
- **Layer Method:** combine hits in each layer first, then take the “truncated mean”...

In practice, almost no difference in resolution: currently use layer method in Belle II.



**Truncation: remove non-Gaussian high-side tail ( also low side: less important )**

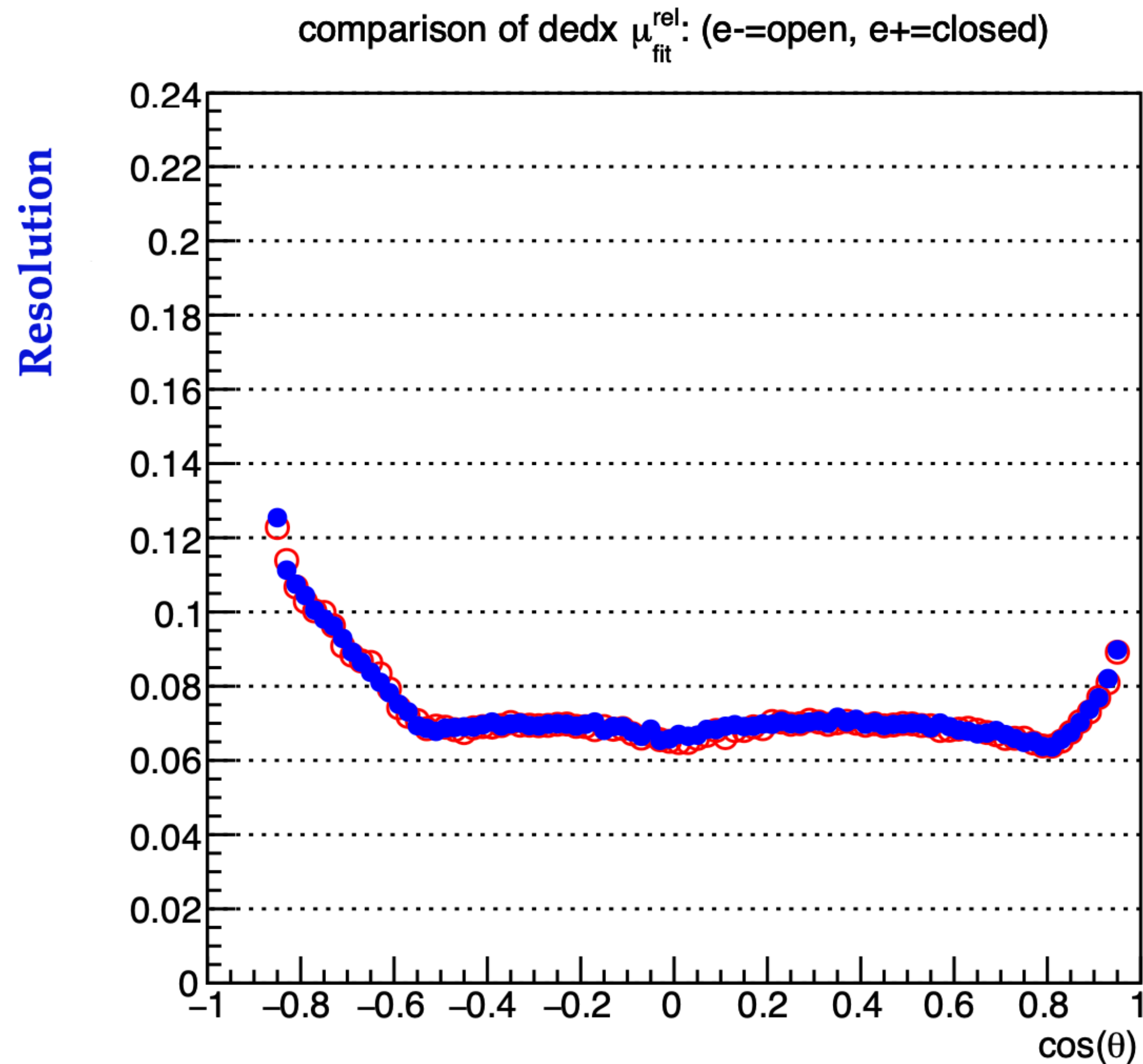
**drop lowest 5%, highest 25% of measurements**

NOTE: the “cuts” are for the set of measurements on the current track, and NOT fixed values, since intrinsic  $dE/dx$  varies widely from Min-I to soft protons in  $1/\beta^2$  rise)

➔ **Then take the simple average of the remaining corrected hit charges**

“the mean of the truncated list”

# Resolution from Bhabha ( $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ )



## Upturn at edges:

- Fewer hits for steep tracks which exit the CDC endplate!

## Middle Cosine region

- overall “frown” shape due to increasing r-Z path length  $\sim \sin \theta$
- Decrease near  $\cos \theta = 0$  related to gas gain saturation (presumably)

# dE/dx calibration

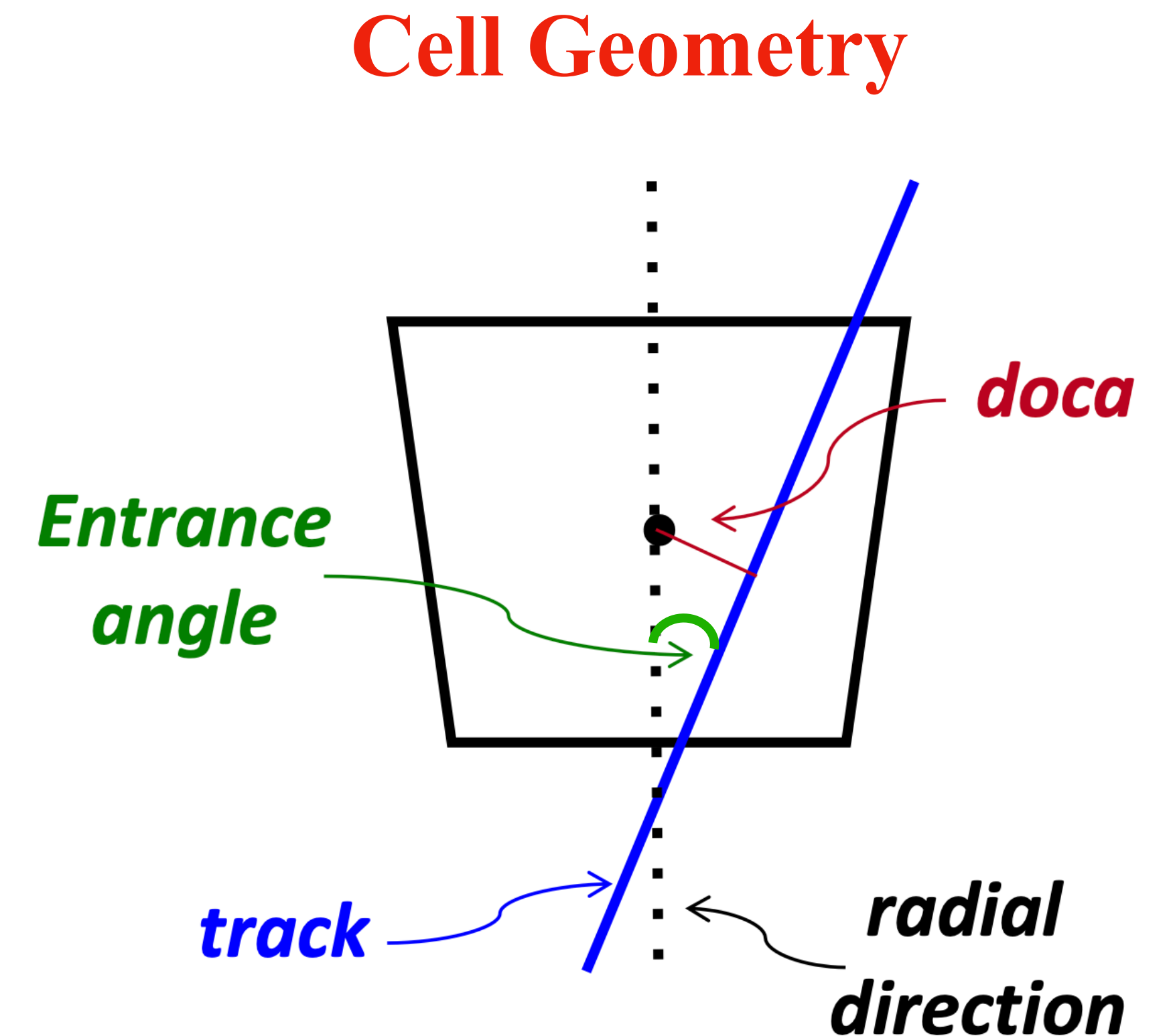
Types of Calibrations we apply can be categorized in different ways:

- **Source of calibration data:** electrons, or “hadron” = : e  $\mu$   $\pi$  K p
- **Basic effect corrected:** geometric **path** length; **gains**; etc.
- **Variation along track:** “global” = same for entire **track** vs. “local” = different for each **hit**

	Calibration	Source	
path	r-z path length	track geometry	track
path	r- $\phi$ path length	track and drift cell geometry	hit
gain	Scale Factor	$e^+e^-$	track
gain	Run Gain	$e^+e^-$	track
gain	Wire Gain	$e^+e^-$	hit
~both	2-D doca-ent. angle	$e^+e^-\gamma$	hit
~both	1-D ent. angle “clean up”	$e^+e^-\gamma$	hit
gain	Electron Saturation (“CosCorr”)	$e^+e^-$	track
gain	Hadron Saturation	(e), $\mu$ , $\pi$ , K, p	track
prediction	$\beta\gamma$ curve parameters	e, $\mu$ , $\pi$ , K, p	prediction
Prediction	Resolution parameters	e, $\mu$ , $\pi$ , K, p	Prediction
gain	<b>Electronic readout non-linearity</b>		hit
gain	Injection time	$e^+e^-$	hit

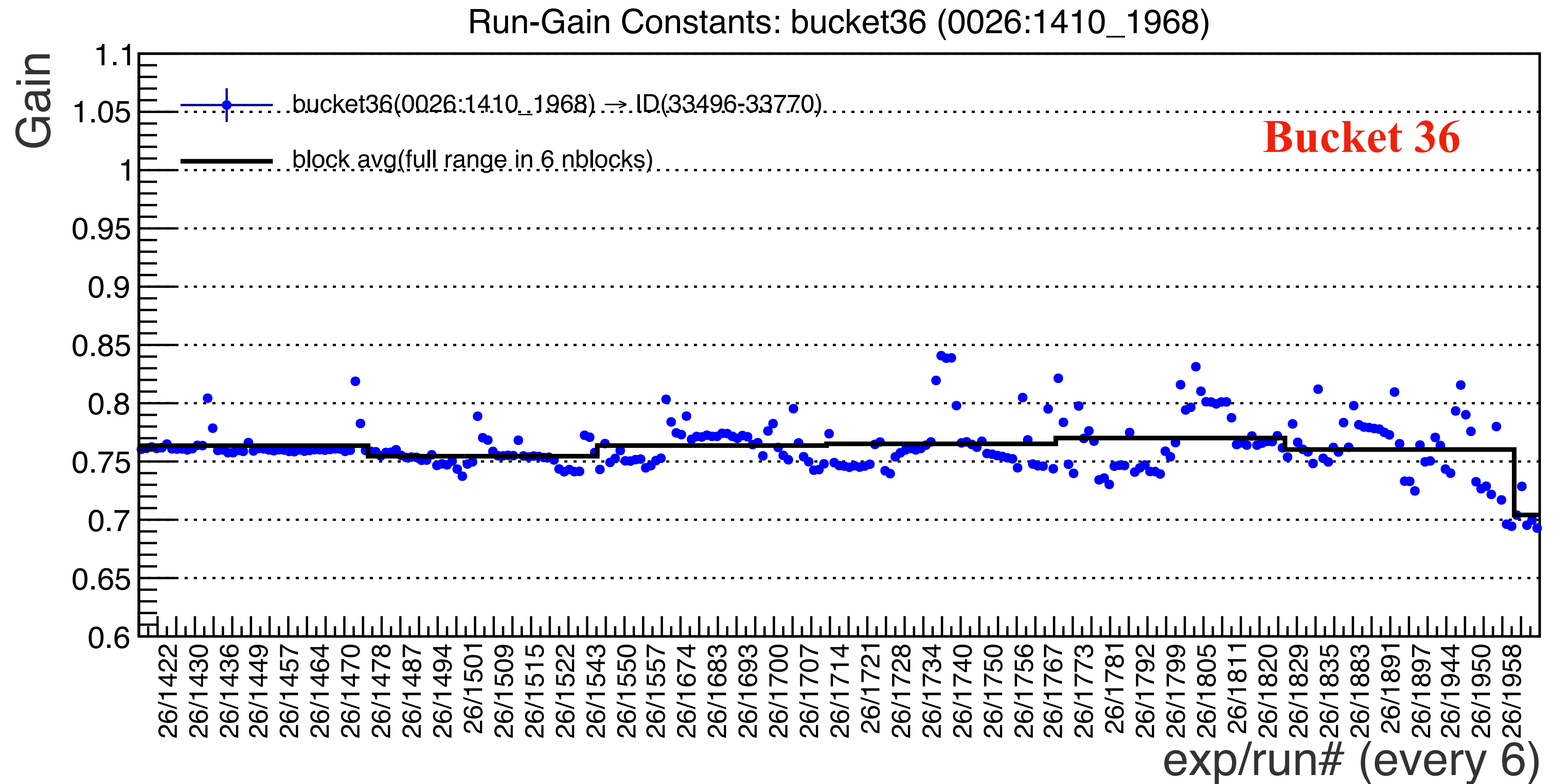
# Path length correction

- **Charge collected depends on path through a cell in  $r$ - $\phi$  projection:**
  - **Doca:** Distance of closest approach (track fit to wire)
  - **Entrance Angle:** angle of the track relative to the radial
- **Geometrical (path length) correction:**
  - **$r - z$  view of track:**
    - ◉ 3-D path length varies as  $1/\sin\theta$
    - ◉ **Correction:** divide by the path length i.e. just multiply by  $\sin\theta$
  - **$r - \phi$  view of drift cell:**
    - ◉ Calculated from full track fit to all hits and nominal cell geometry
    - ◉ One need separate correction factor for each layer



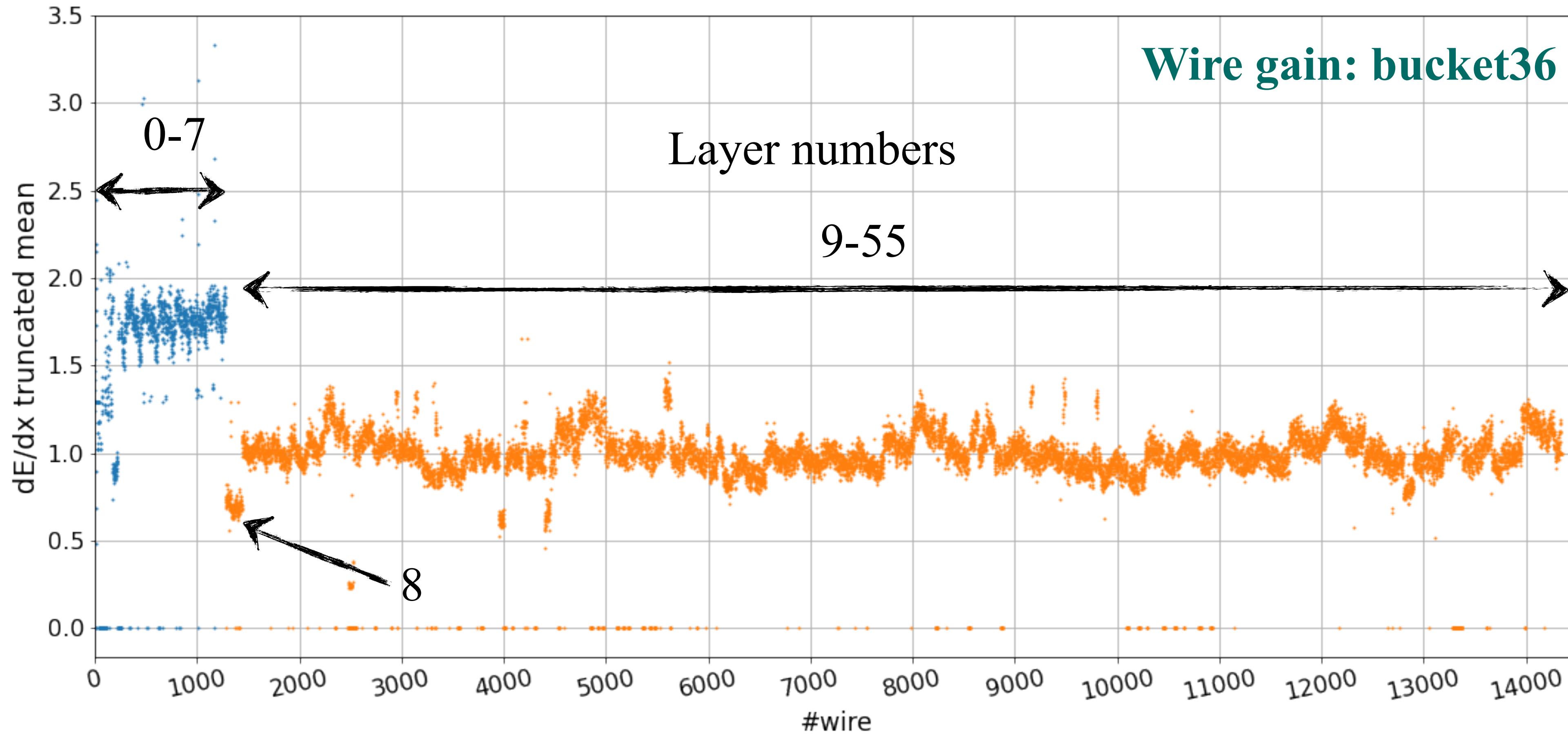
# Run gain

- Run gain is calculated as fit mean of  $dE/dx$  distribution from each run (bhabha tracks)
- **Run gain changes because instabilities of CDC**
  - ▶ Gas composition (incl. water vapor)
  - ▶ Temperature
  - ▶ Pressure



# Wire gain

- Wire gain is calculated as truncated mean of  $dE/dx$  distribution for each wire (14336).
- One needs to account for **bad wires, bad electronics cards, voltage issues.....**



zero gains  
= dead/bad wires

Inner layers 0-7  
have larger gain

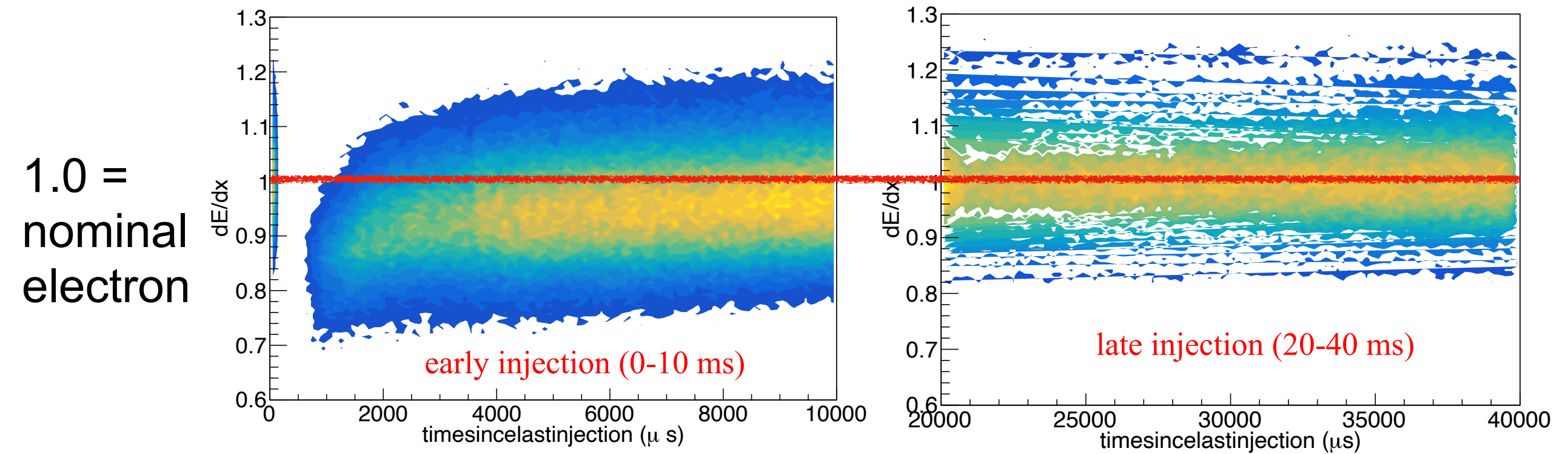
Layer 8 is very  
non-square

# Time since last injection

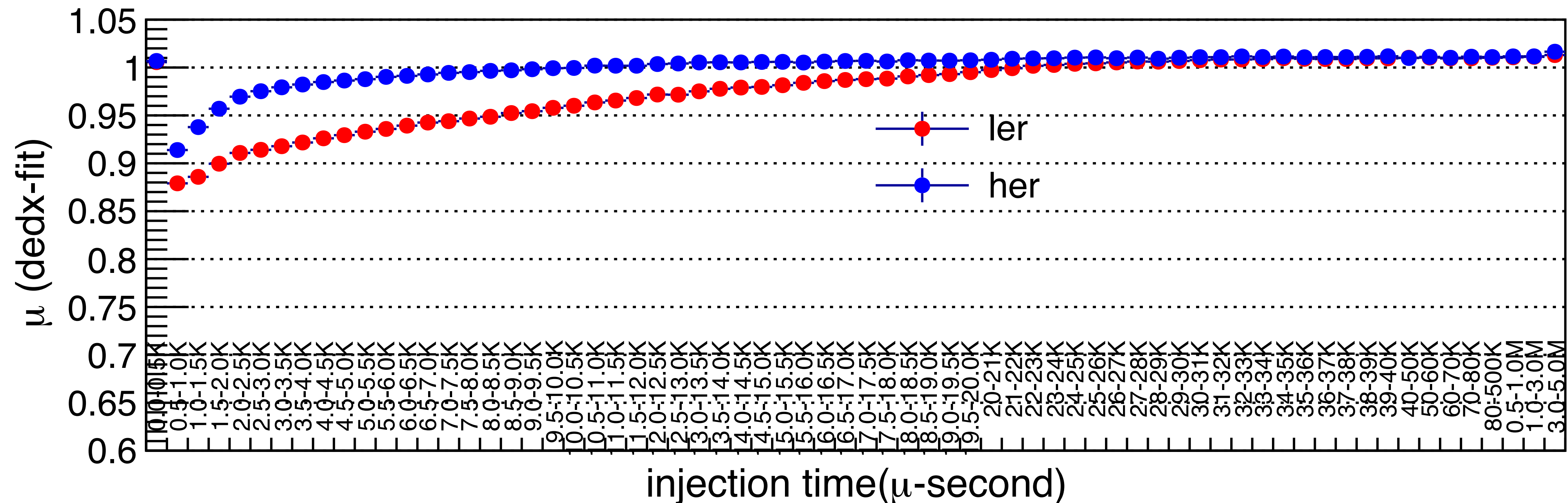
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Dependency of  $dE/dx$  gain and resolution for early time since last beam injection and it further depends

- which ring had injection (LER and HER).
- on data period (experiments/run or buckets) or beam background conditions.



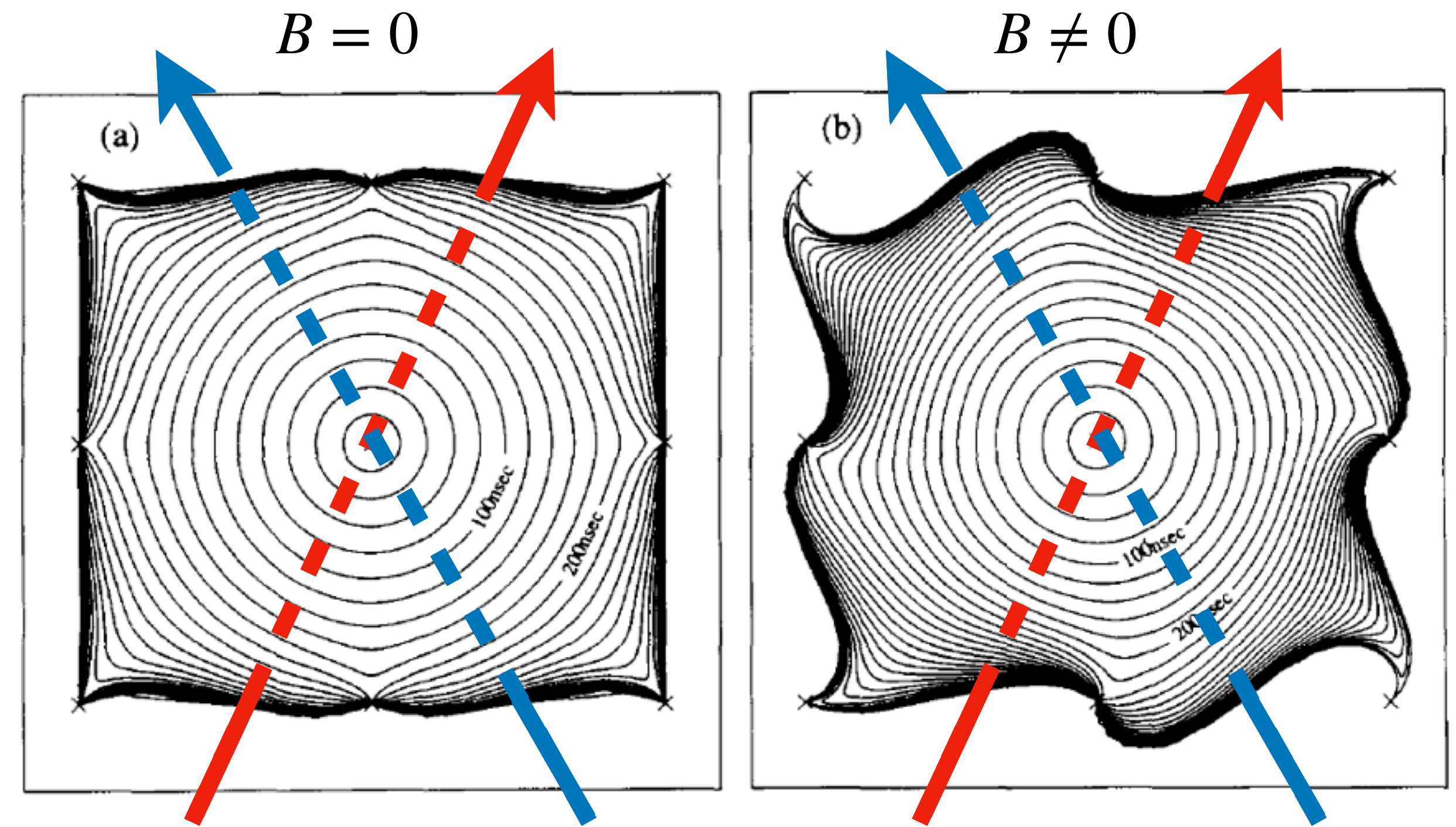
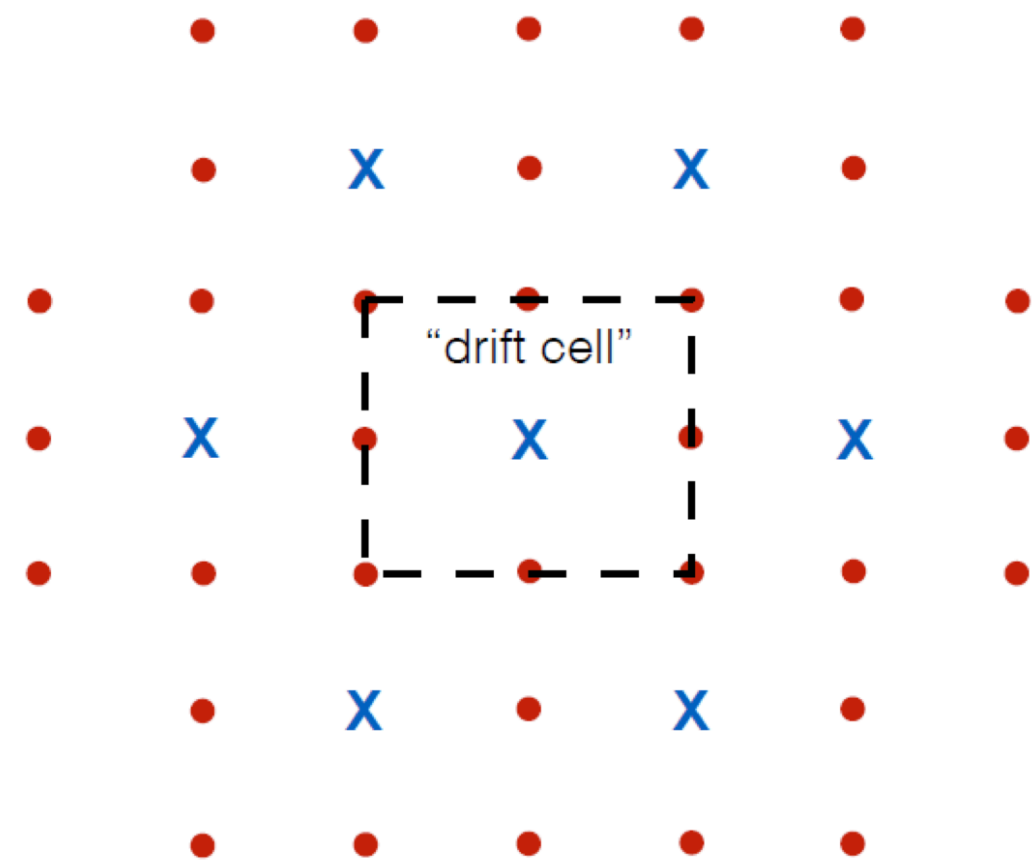
Gain is calculated as fit mean of  $dE/dx$  distribution in injection time bins for run grouped.





# Empirical $r - \phi$ cell correction

- Left-right drift-cell symmetry broken by B-field
- Sign of charge determines the sign of entrance angle.
- Correct in 2-dimensional bins of **doca** and **entrance angle**
- 1-d correction versus entrance angle is applied further
  - Correlated among hits along track
  - Important to remove charge asymmetry (fake CP violation)



Presence of magnetic field causes electron trajectories to curve

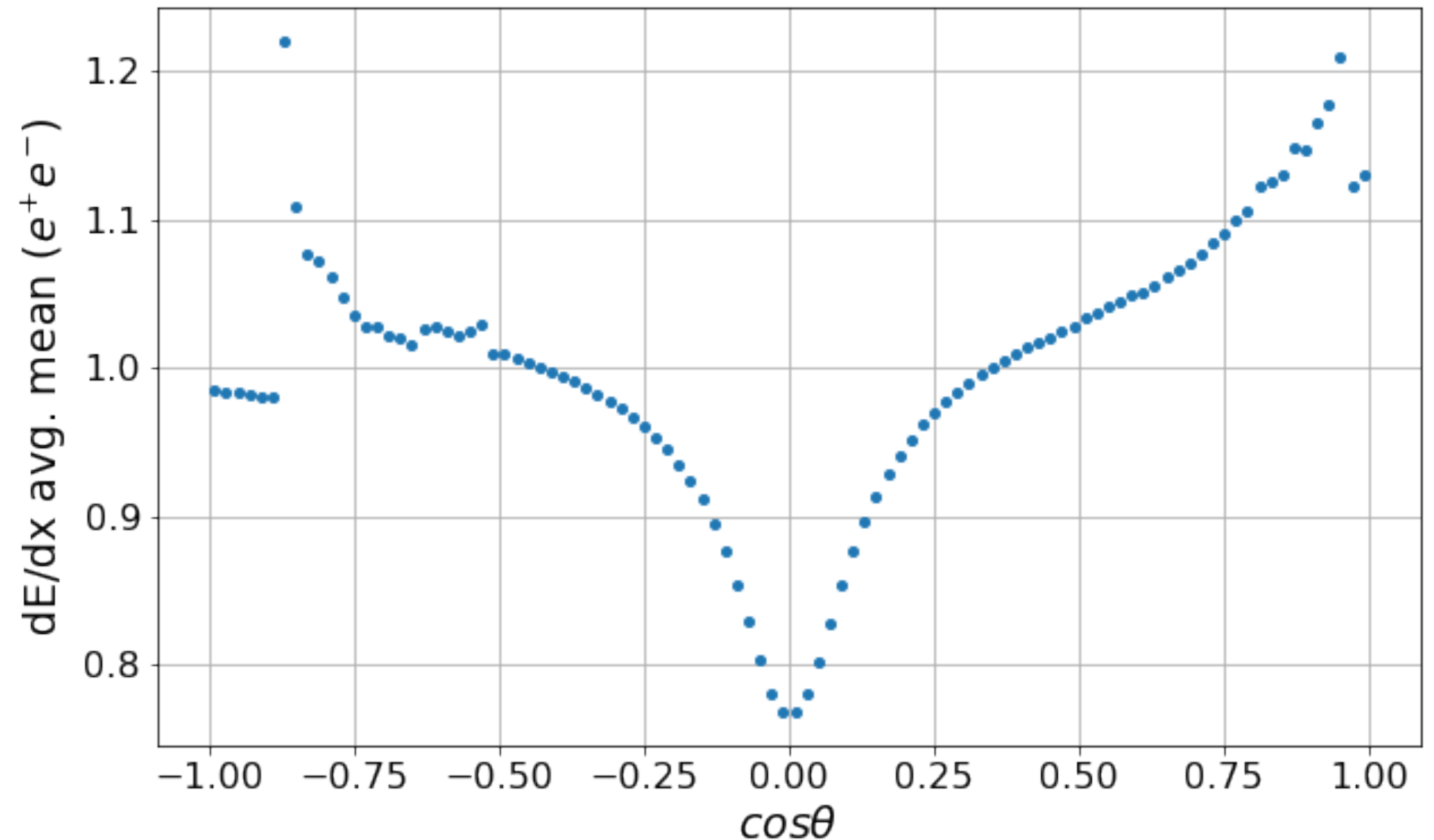
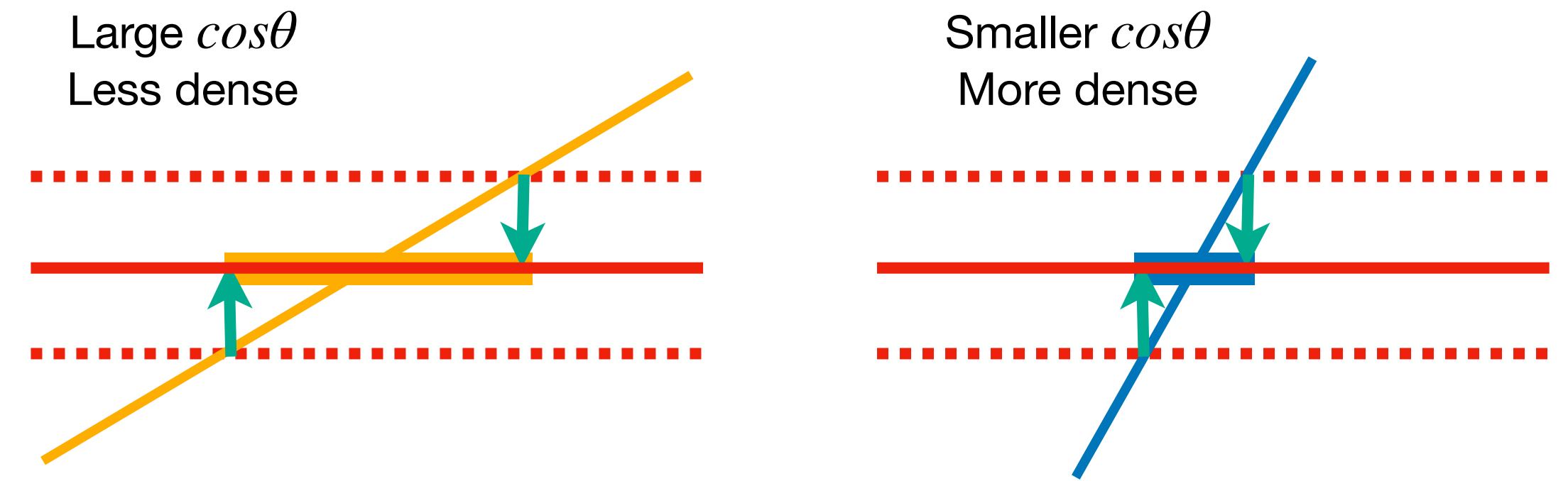
Blue and Red tracks: opposite charges and thus opposite entrance angles. Different effective path lengths give different amounts of ionization to be collected at the sense wire.

# Gas gain saturation

**Avalanche from early electrons screens wire:**

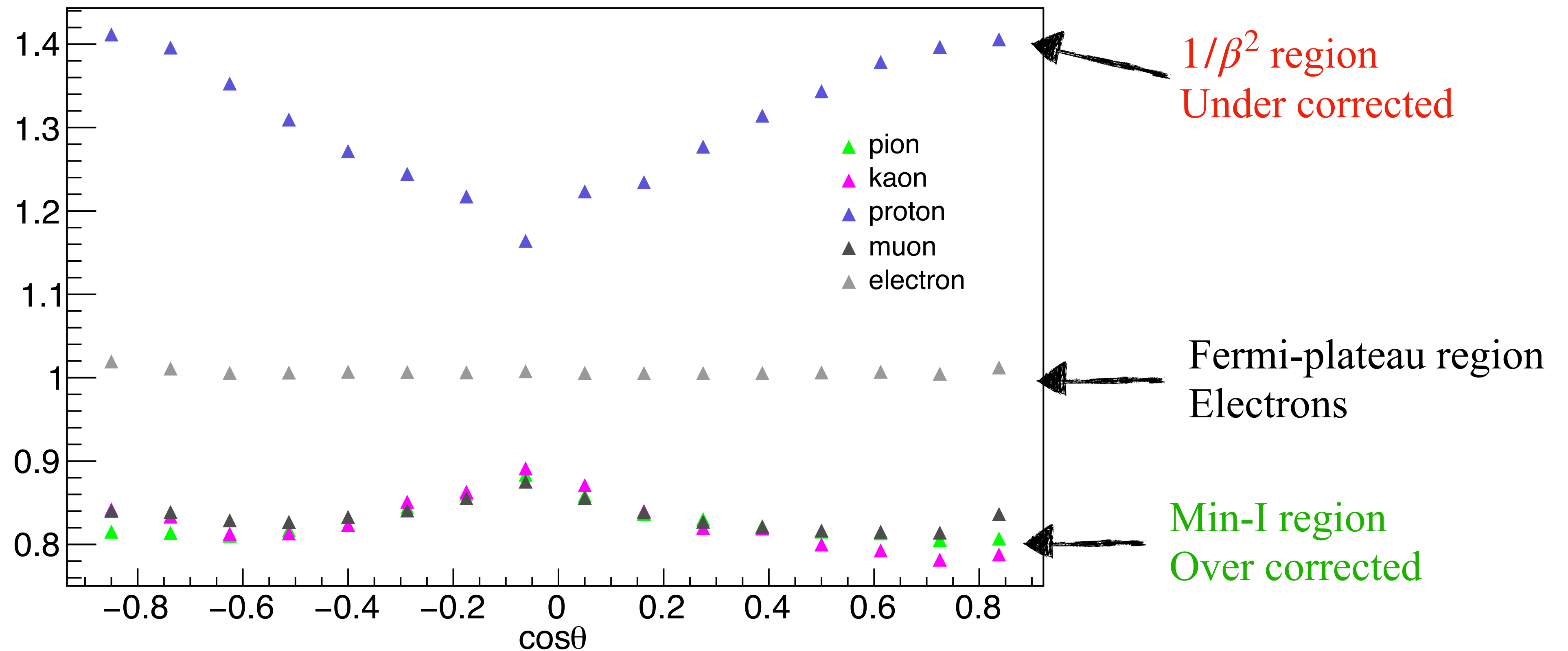
Leads to a decrease in gain for tracks near  $\cos\theta \sim 0$ :  
a “dip”

- For **electrons** (constant ionization) we map this out very accurately
  - ▶ this “anchors” the correction in the region of crossing dE/dx bands, where we need best resolution
- For **other tracks**, we need to apply another correction since the “dip” changes shape
  - ▶ An intrinsic ionization changes (slow protons saturate even more)



# Gas gain saturation

- ▶ **Key variable:**  $\frac{D}{|\cos\theta| + \delta} = \text{charge/length}$
- ▶ Density of charge along wire:  $D$  is measured dE/dx (after all path correction)
- ▶  $\delta \sim 0.1$  accounts for natural spread of avalanche
  - density not infinite even if  $|\cos\theta| = 0$



# Predicted mean and resolution

**In addition to a well-calibrated measured  $dE/dx$ , we also need to provide**

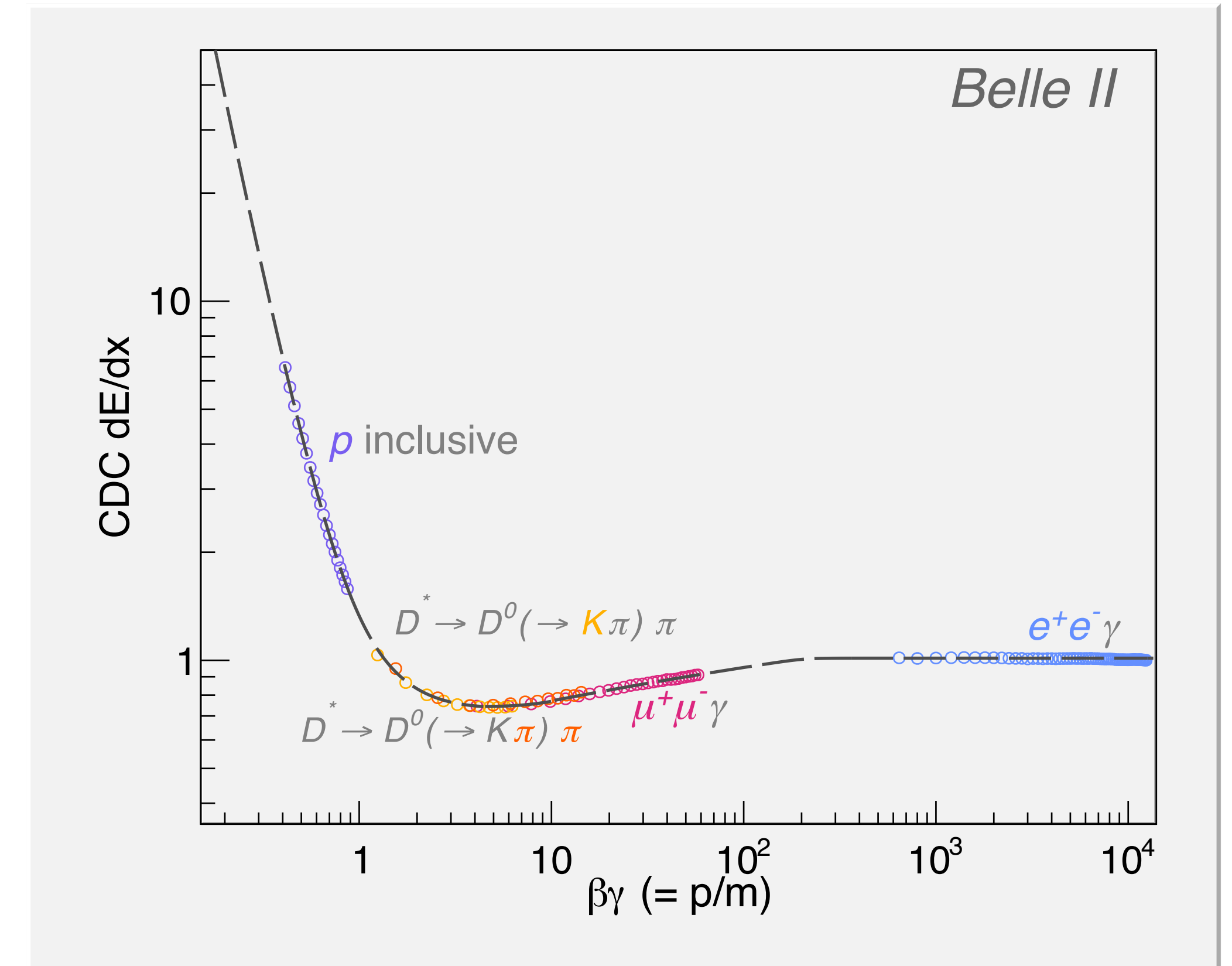
- Expected  $dE/dx$ :  $I_{\text{pred}}$  Depends only on  $\beta\gamma = p/m$
- Expected resolution Depends on 3 variables:  $I_{\text{pred}}$ , #hits,  $\cos\theta$

Fit means to empirical functions in  $\sim 3$  regions of  $\beta\gamma$

- In general, fits with polynomials often become poor at edges
- Therefore, fit to data beyond intended range of use!
  - for example, fit  $\beta\gamma$  from 0.5 - 3.5 to get values for 1.0 - 3.0

Resolutions are a bit more complicated:

- $\sigma_I \sim f(I) g(n_{\text{hit}}) h(\cos\theta) m(\text{time})$
- Carefully fit for **functions**  $f, g, h, m$ .
- Iterate, fit for each with other three effects removed.

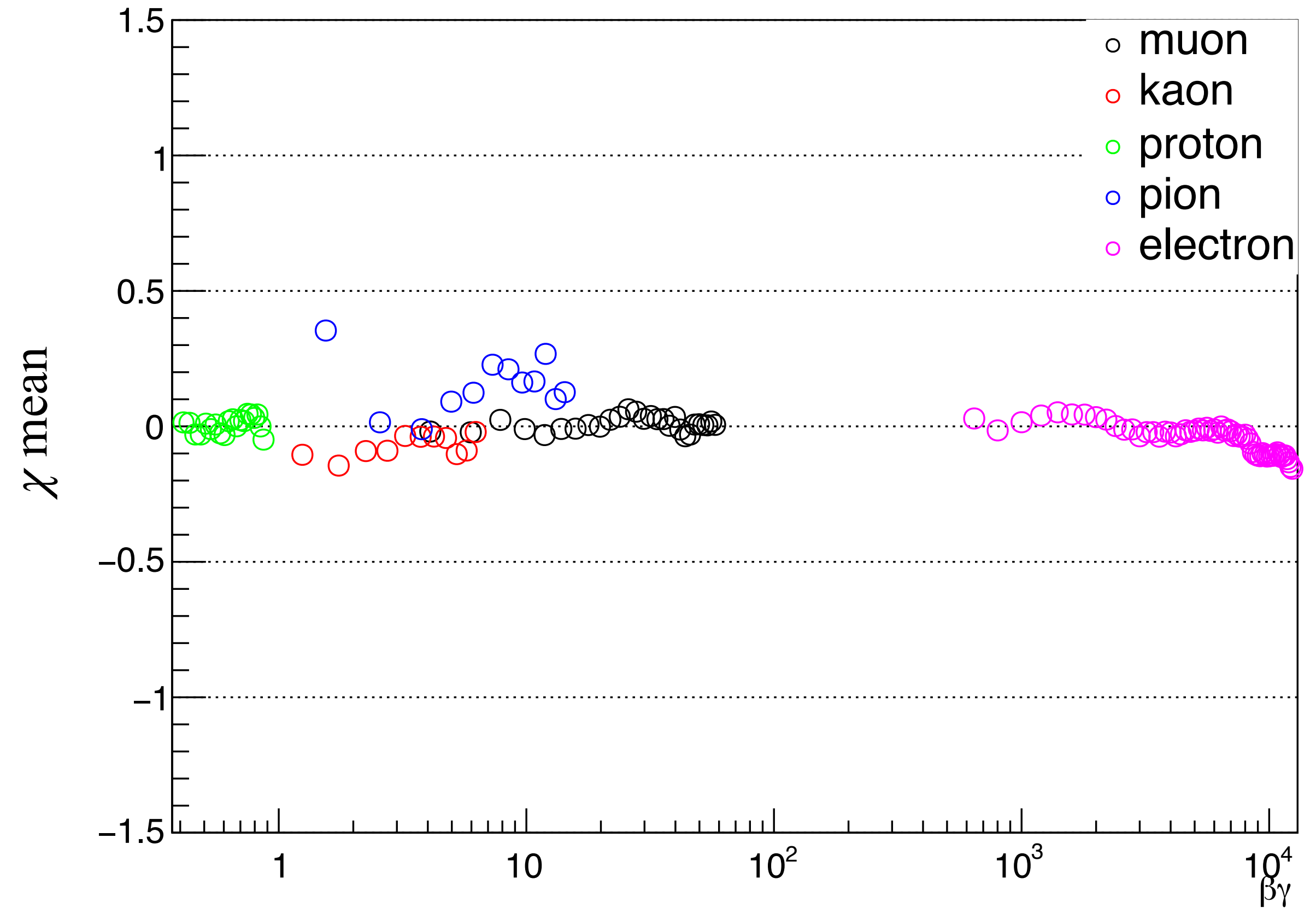
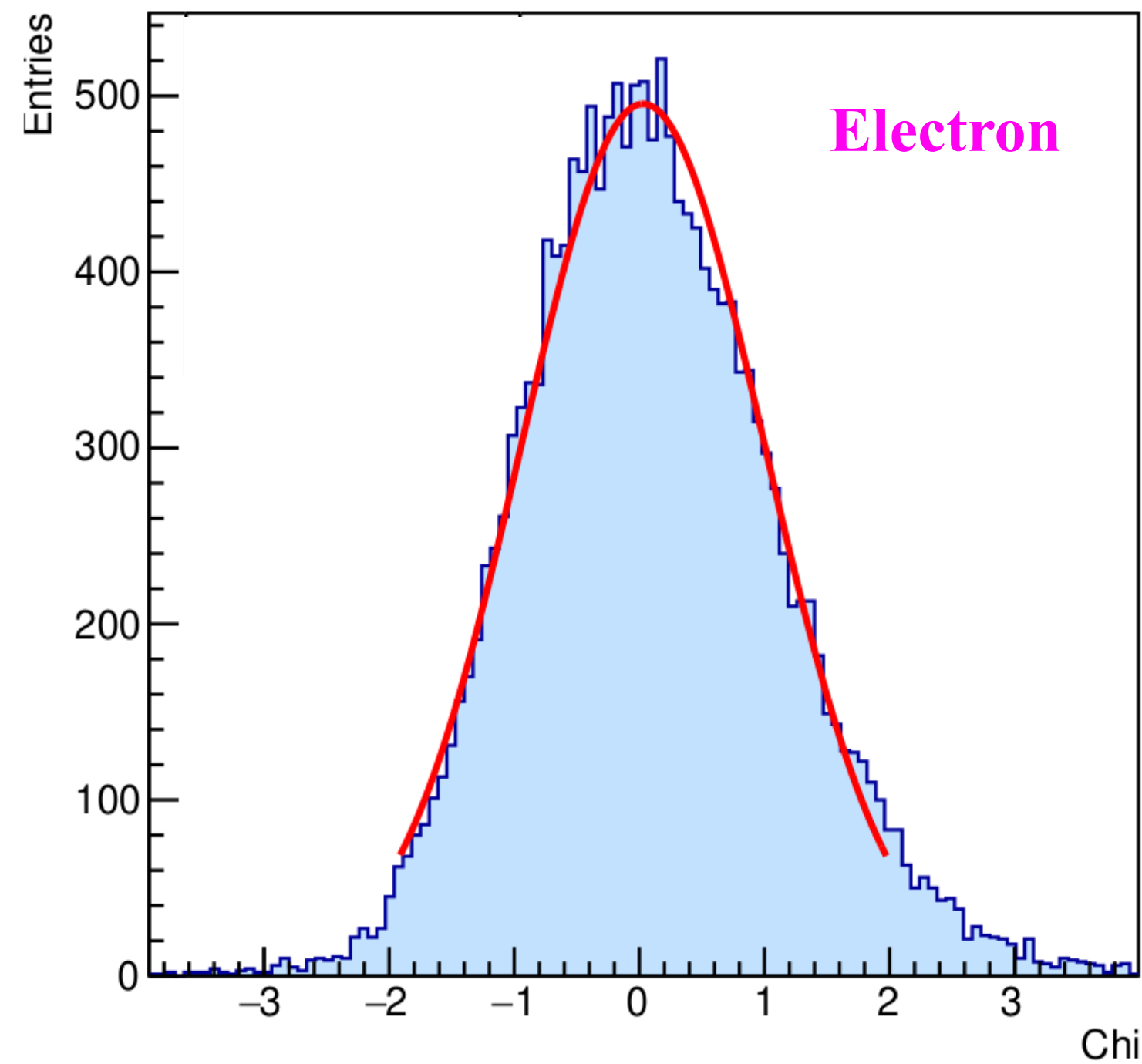


# User information

**The final result of dE/dx reconstruction is:**

- one “ $\chi$ ” value for each of six hypotheses { e  $\mu$   $\pi$  K p d }

$$\chi(\text{hyp}) = \frac{I_{\text{meas}} - I_{\text{pred}(\text{hyp})}}{\text{resolution}(\text{hyp})}$$



**Convert to a log likelihood:  $LL = -\chi^2/2$**

- for ease of combining with other PID results
- assumes that results for  $\chi$  follow a normalized Gaussian:  $\exp[-\chi^2/2]$

# Likelihood Ratios

Vertical axis:  
“pairwise” Likelihood ratio

$$L_{\pi}/(L_{\pi} + L_K)$$

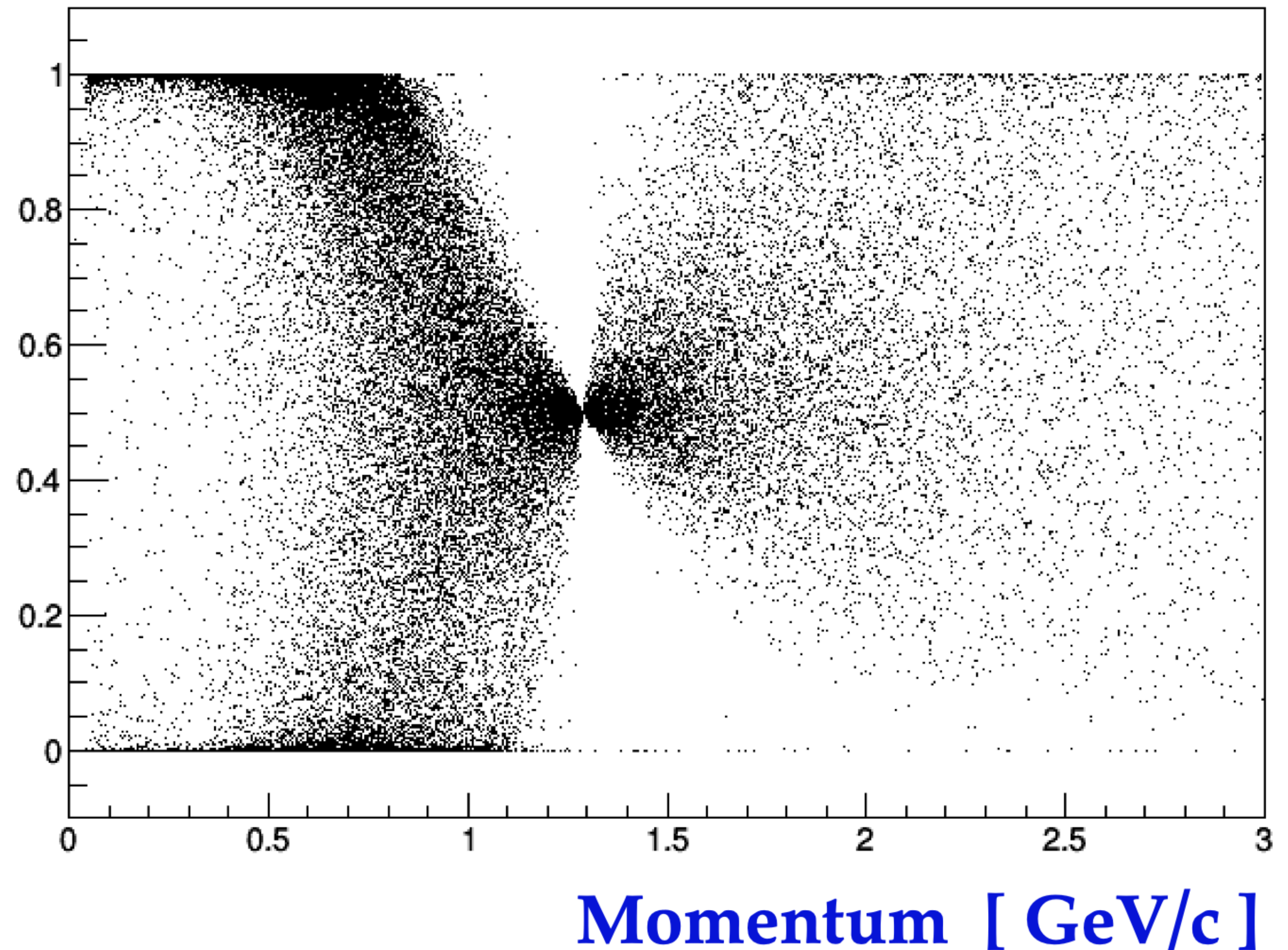
Plotted for “generic tracks”

**Collapses to 0.5 at band crossing !**

⇒ Tight cuts will “sculpt” the momentum spectrum

Effect “covered up” by other PID info

*BUT: backwards angle tracks  
and many “low-momentum “curlers” have  
only  $dE/dx$  PID !*



# Summary

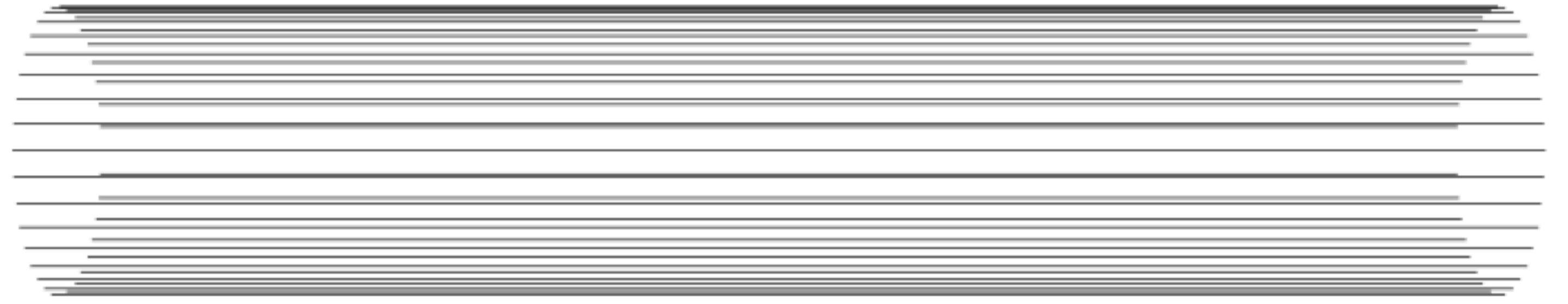
- The Belle II CDC is important for tracking, PID, and trigger.
- $dE/dx$  provides useful Particle ID in BelleII.
- $dE/dx$  reconstruction and calibration is good shape.
- Detector response and PID performance seems reasonable.
- We continue to work on improvements.

# Backup



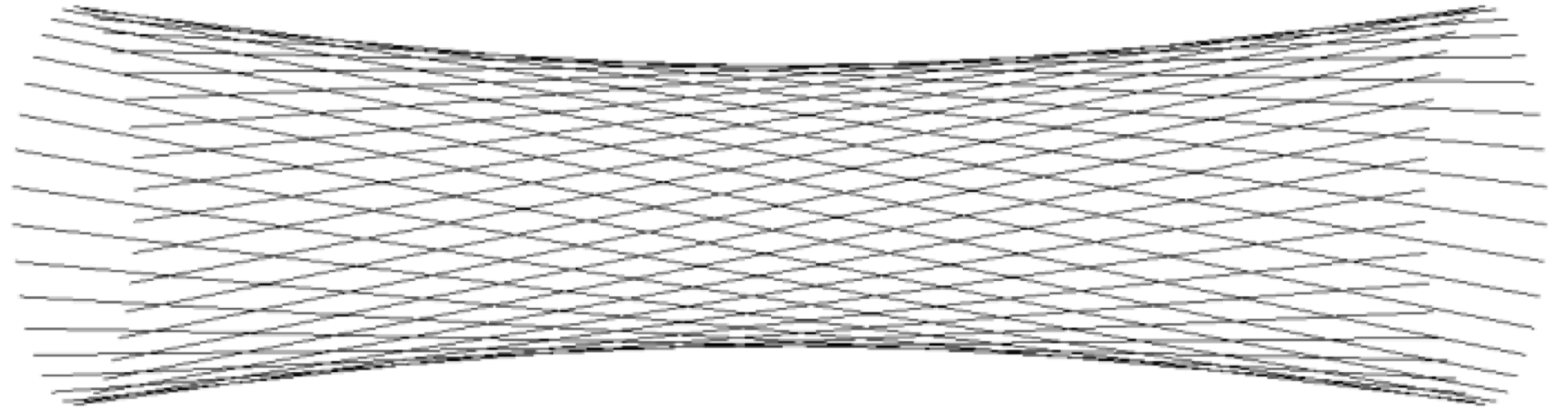
# Axial and stereo layers

If wire is along the beam line:  
how to differentiate between  $z = z_1$  and  
 $z = z_2$ ?



(a) An axial wire layer - sense wires are parallel to the beamline

Different combinations of wires  
are hit for different  $z$ , due to skew.



(b) A stereo wire layer - sense wires are skewed to the beamline (exaggerated)

# Layer structure

Superlayer	Type	# of layers	# of wires /layer	Radius, mm	Stereo angle, mrad
1	A	8	160	168.0 – 238.0	0 – 0
2	U	6	160	257.0 – 348.0	45.4 – 45.8
3	A	6	192	365.2 – 455.7	0 – 0
4	V	6	224	476.9 – 566.9	-55.3 – -64.3
5	A	6	256	584.1 – 674.1	0 – 0
6	U	6	288	695.3 – 785.3	63.1 – 70.0
7	A	6	320	802.5 – 892.5	0 – 0
8	V	6	352	913.7 – 1003.7	-68.5 – -74.0
9	A	6	38		

