



The HFT: a Heavy Flavor Tracker at STAR

- Physics motivations
- Detector design
- Simulation Results

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“Heavy Flavor” is the Final Frontier

The QGP is the universally accepted hypothesis at RHIC

next step: proof of **thermalisation** of the **light quarks**

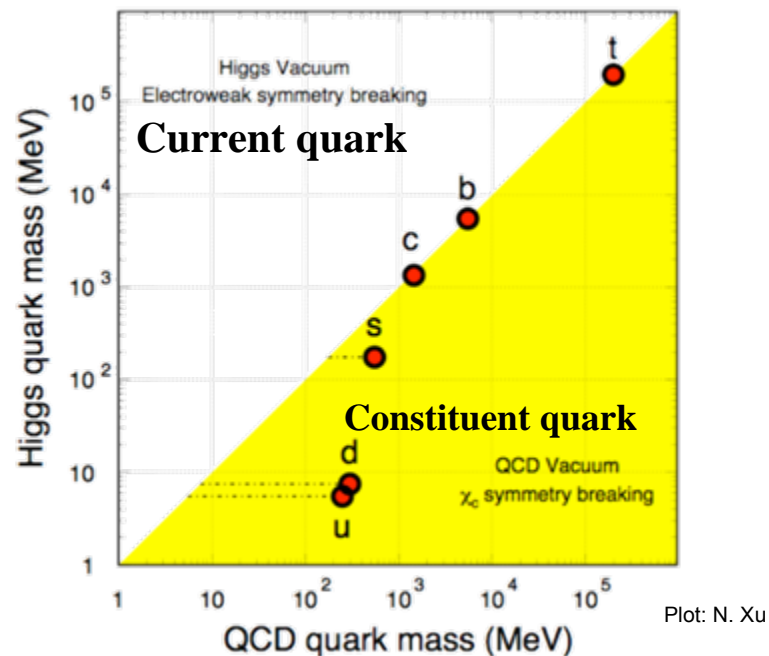


flow of charm : key element ...

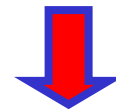
If heavy quarks flow:

- **frequent interactions** among all quarks
- **light quarks** (u,d,s) likely to **be thermalized**

charm and beauty are unique in their **mass structure**



$$M_c \approx 1.5 \text{ GeV} \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \gg M_{\text{uds}}$$



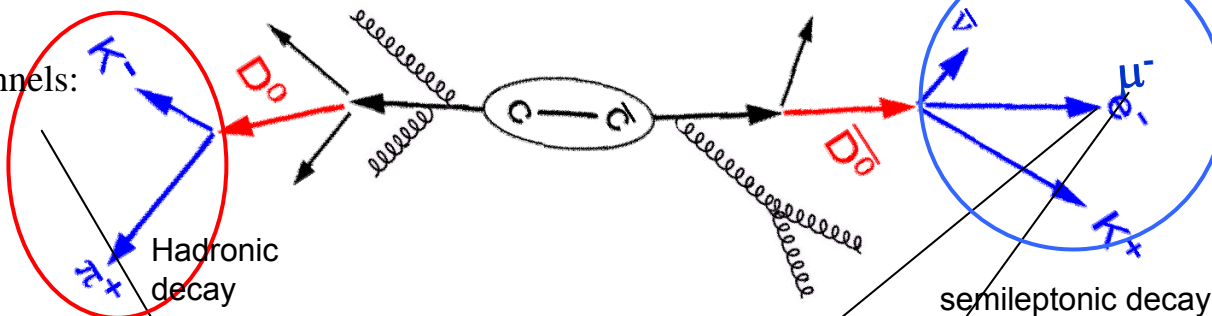
Unique probe



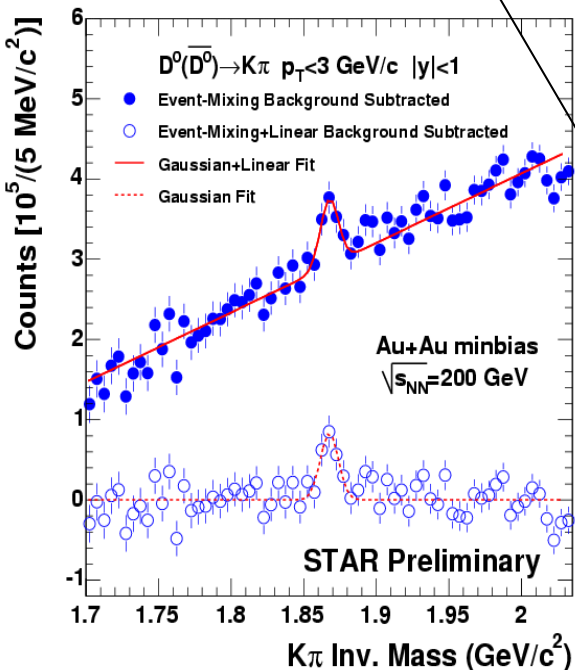
Charm measurements @ STAR

■ Hadronic decay channels:

$D_0 \rightarrow K\pi$ (B.R.: 3.8%)



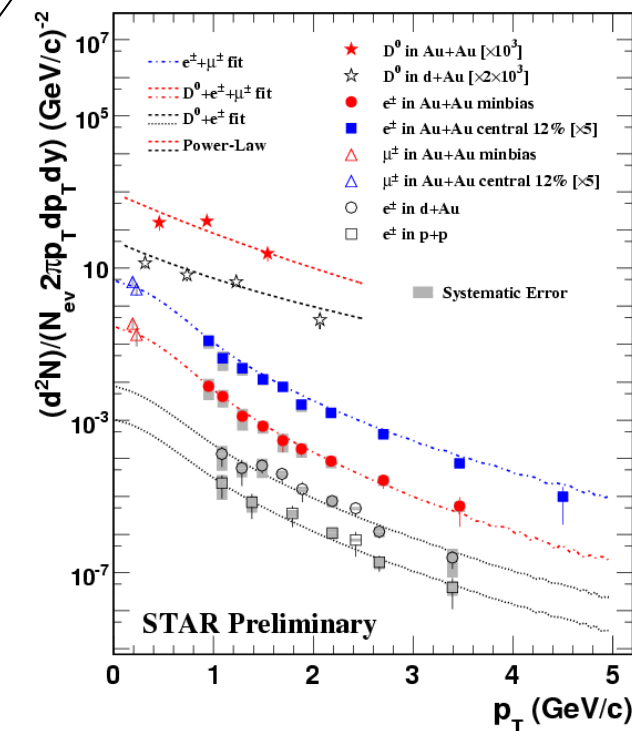
$c \rightarrow e^+ + \text{anything}$
 $c \rightarrow \mu^+ + \text{anything}$
 $D^0 \rightarrow e^+ + \text{anything}$
 $D^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ + \text{anything}$



○ **hadronic** "Direct" D^0 reconstruction
 (event. Mixing technique)

○ **muon** from charm semileptonic decay

○ **electron** from heavy quark semileptonic decay



Haibin QM05 nucl-ex/0510063 detail in Haibin, Jaro & Frank 's talks

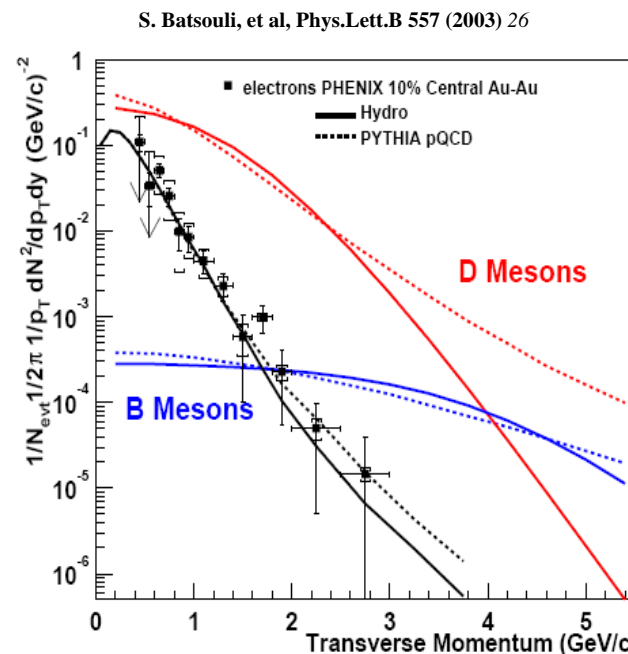
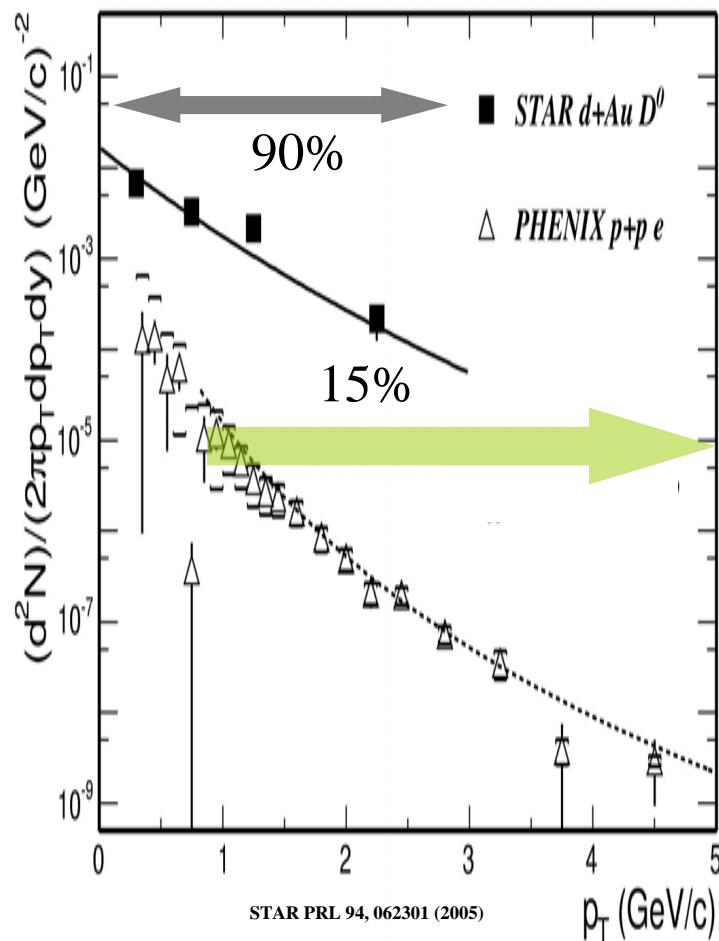


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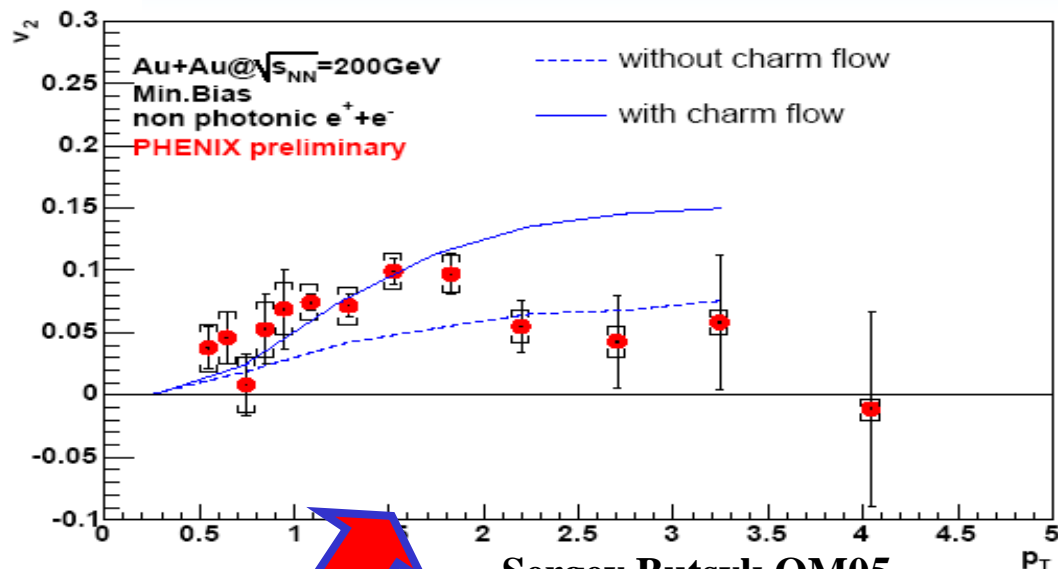


Open questions

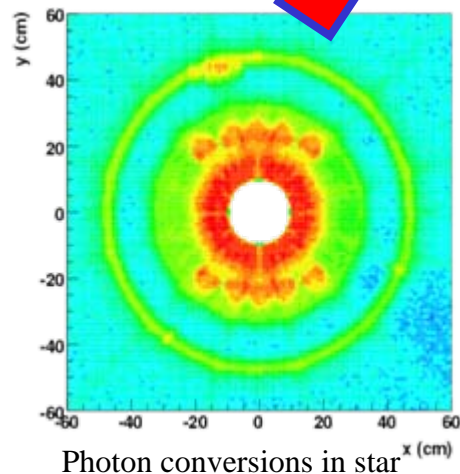
- **Precisely understand** the charm cross-section
- **Low P_T** is crucial
- e^- are **not** direct probes (come from D and B)



Open questions (2)



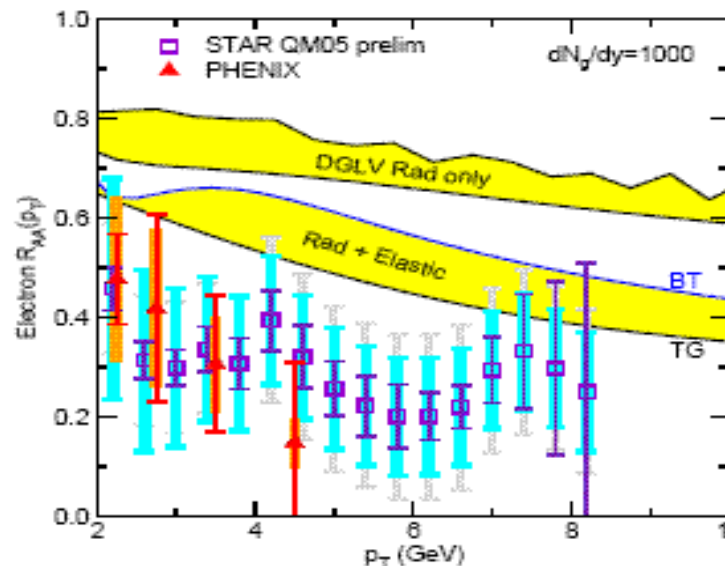
Sergey Butsyk QM05



Need Direct (topological)
Charm measurements

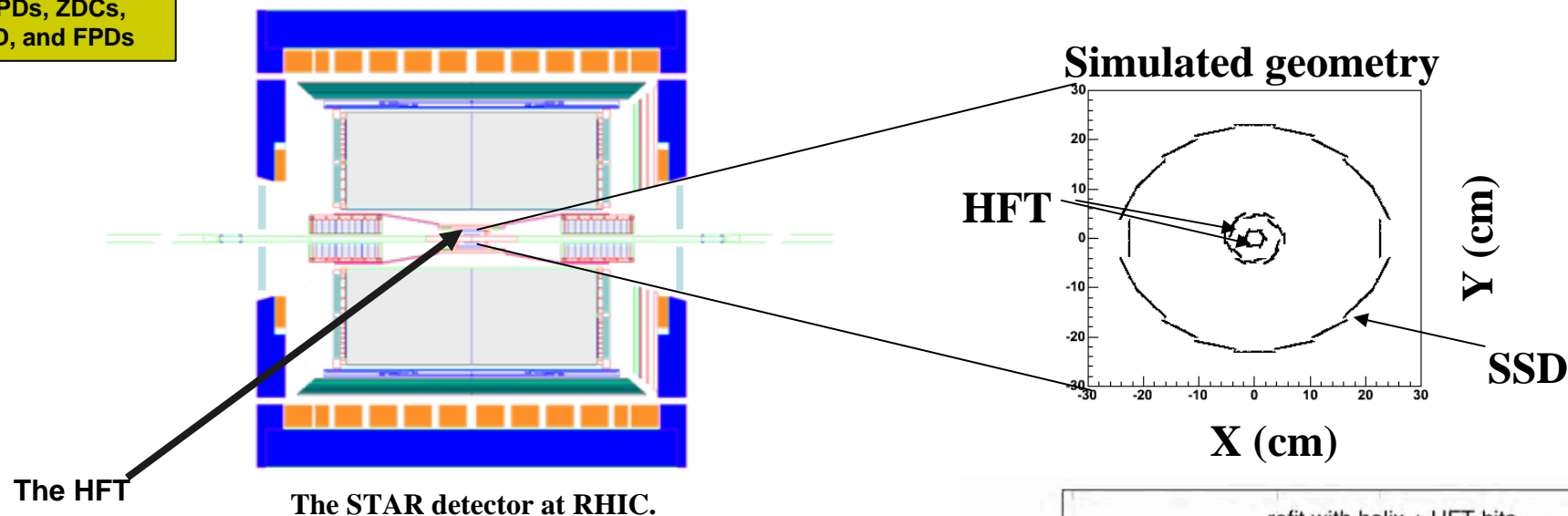
- Large **systematics** on v_2
- due to **Photonic background**
- Need large **statistics** to check **predictions**
- R_{AA} challenge to **theory**

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STAR The Heavy Flavor Tracker in STAR

Not Shown:
pVPDs, ZDCs,
PMD, and FPDs



The STAR detector at RHIC.

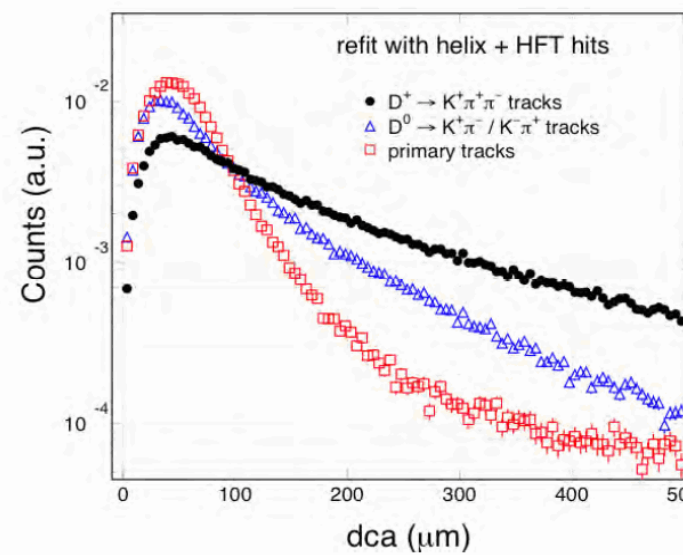
• 2 layers

Radius : 1.5 cm and 5 cm , 24 ladders

-2 cm x 20 cm each

CMOS pixel sensors because we need :

- high **precision** (detector resolution : **10 μm**)
- a **thin detector** (260 μm equi. Si) per layer
- a **fast detector** (proto. **4 ms** integration time)
- low power consumption (< **100 mW/cm²**)
- Moderate radiation tolerance (**5 – 10 kRad/year**)

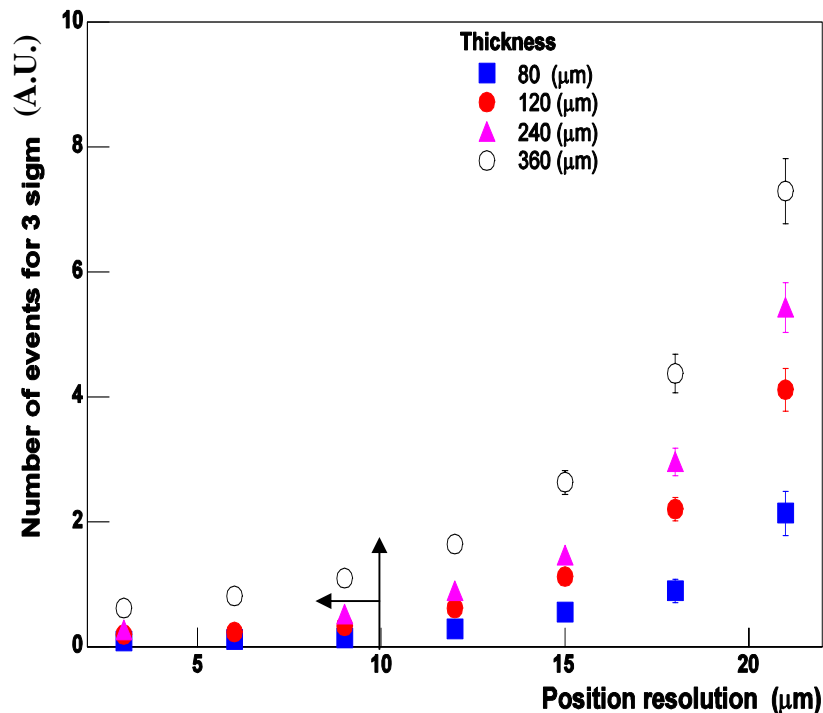


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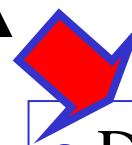
Where are the limits?

What are the effects of
Multiple Coulomb Scattering and
detector **resolution**?



Sub detectors	D0 N evt. for 3 σ	D_s^+ N evt for 3 σ
TPC+SVT	12.6 M	500 M ($K0s + K^+$)
TPC+SVT+TOF	2.6 M	100M
TPC+SSD+HFT	12 k	5M ($\phi+\pi^+$)
TPC+SSD+HFT + "TOF"	10 k	2 M ($\phi+\pi^+$)

Thickness

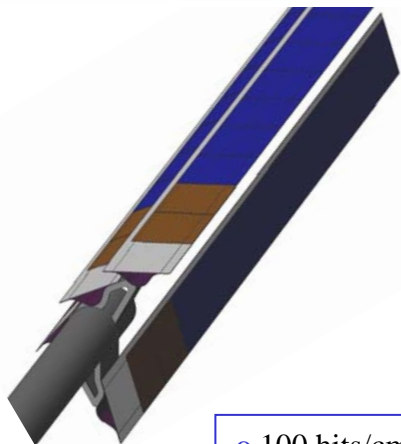


- o Detector resolution 10 μm OK
- o Thin detector (240-360 μm)

Position resolution



Mechanical design



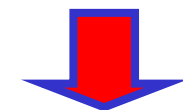
Prototype Carrier



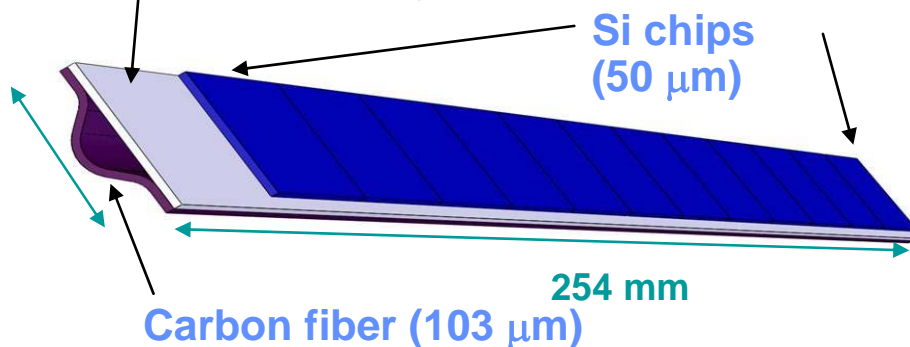
Prototype Cu conductor cable

$X_0 = 0.090 \%$ (for Al conductors)

- o 100 hits/cm² Inner Layer,
- o 20 hits/cm² Outer Layer ($L = 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$)
- o Average event size = **90 KB**
- o Event size = **90 MB/sec at 1KHz**

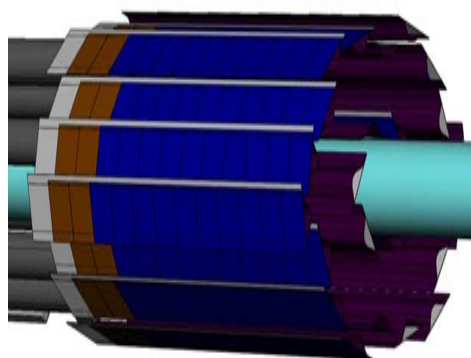


Carrier and cable (84 μm)
+ adhesive (+ 27 μm)



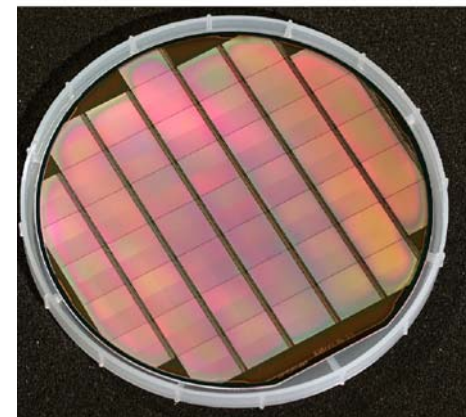
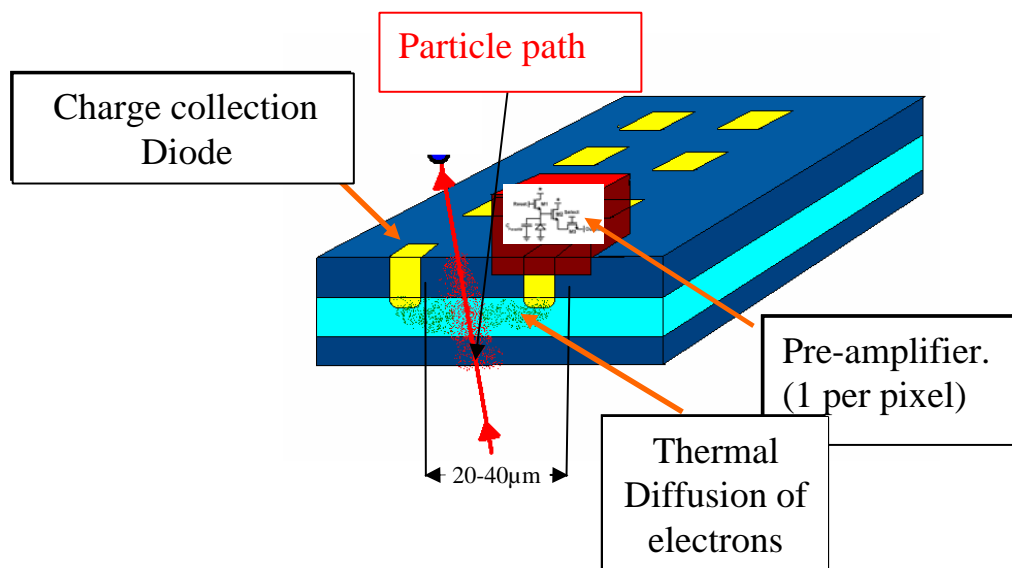
One HFT ladder (working Geometry)

- o Total Rad. length < $0.28 X_0$ (**260 μm**) per layer
- o Air-cooled



HFT (Side View)

CMOS Active Pixel Sensors



MIMOSA5 APS wafer

o AMS 0.35 μm opto. Technology

Current prototype (Mimo*2):

o 128x64 pixels

Full scale HFT prototype:

o 640 pixels in a row x 320 column / sector

o 2 sectors / detector

o 4 ms readout time (50 MHz pixel read clock)

o Analog readout

■ Main results at $T = 25^\circ\text{C}$ and $t_{r.o.} = 0.8 \text{ \& } 4 \text{ ms}$:

$$\therefore N \sim 11 - 14 e^- \text{ ENC}$$

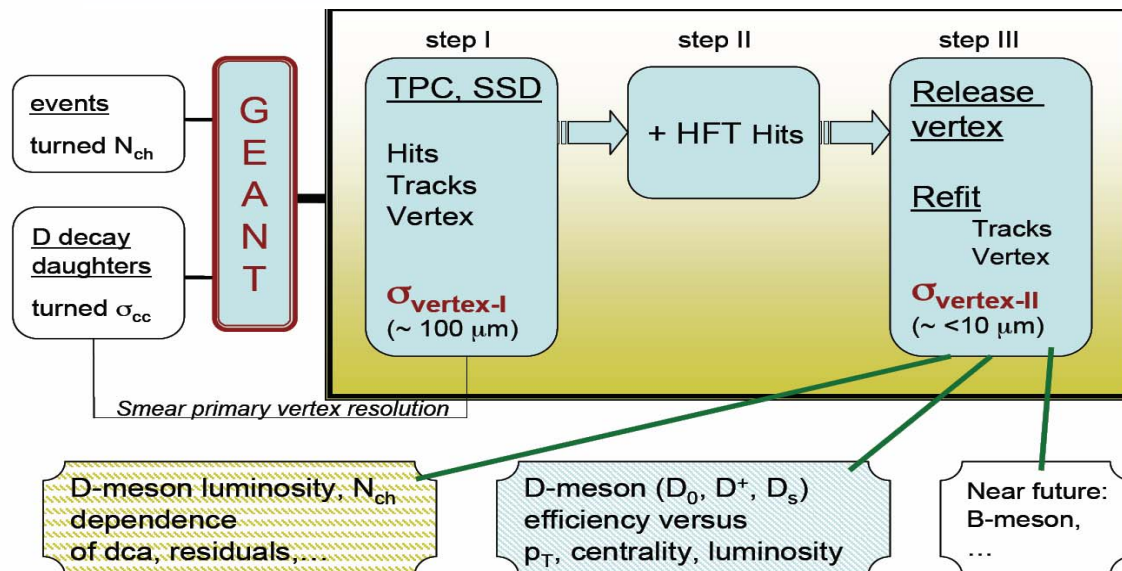
$$\therefore S/N \sim 15 - 21 \text{ (MPV)}$$

$$\therefore \epsilon_{det} \gtrsim 99.8 \%$$

$$\therefore \sigma_{sp} \sim 3 \mu\text{m} \text{ (from MIMOSA-9)}$$

$$\therefore \text{power dissipation} \sim 40 \text{ mW/cm}^2$$

HFT Simulation & Tracking



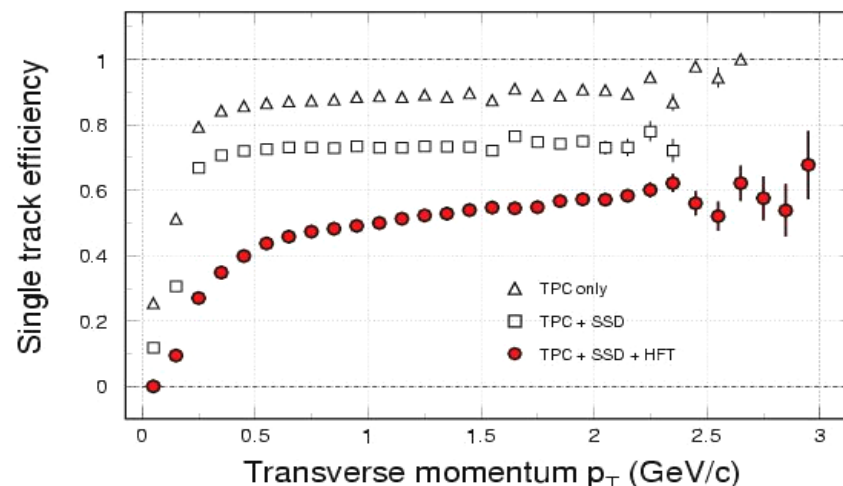
In the simulated config.. (TPC + SSD + HFT) a **vertex constraint** is used to achieve reasonable performances at low P_T

Prototype efficiency

- Vertex constraint
- TPC + SSD + HFT
- 45-60%

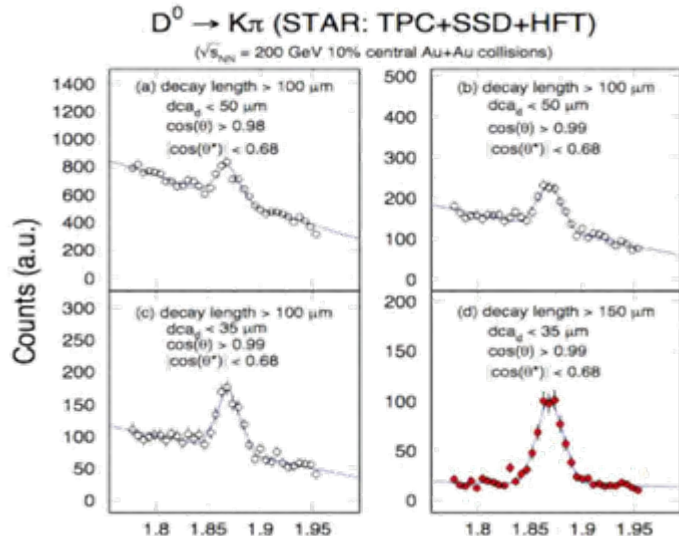
All efficiencies quoted are absolute

- Candidate tracks for the HFT have TPC and SSD efficiency folded in

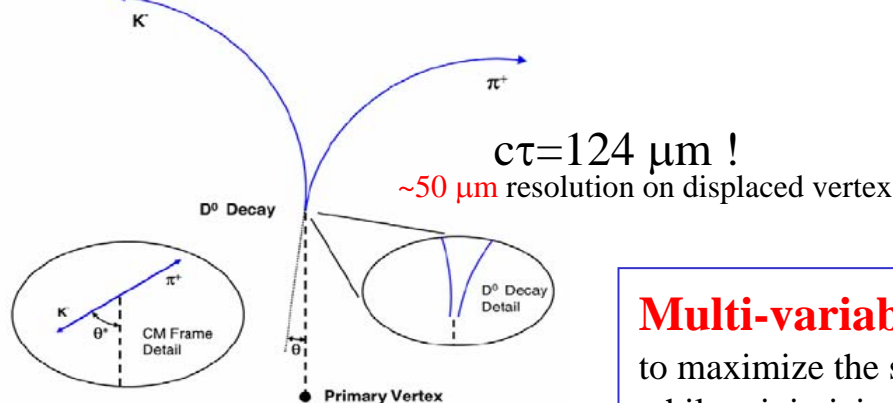


D⁰ study

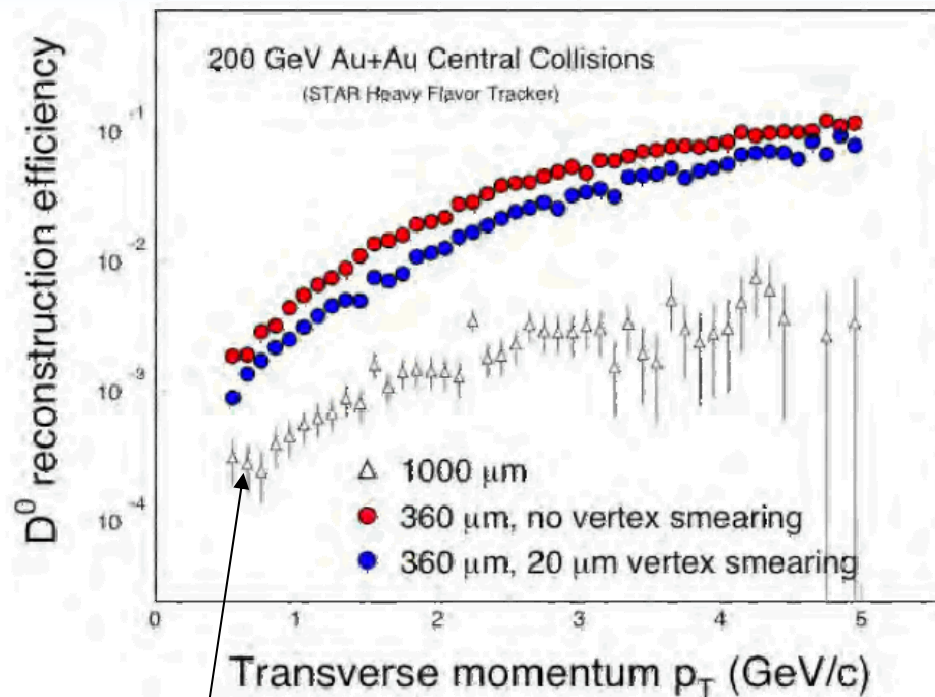
D⁰ invariant mass with different cut sets.



No **background suppression** needed



Direct topological D⁰ reconstruction



D⁰ efficiency.

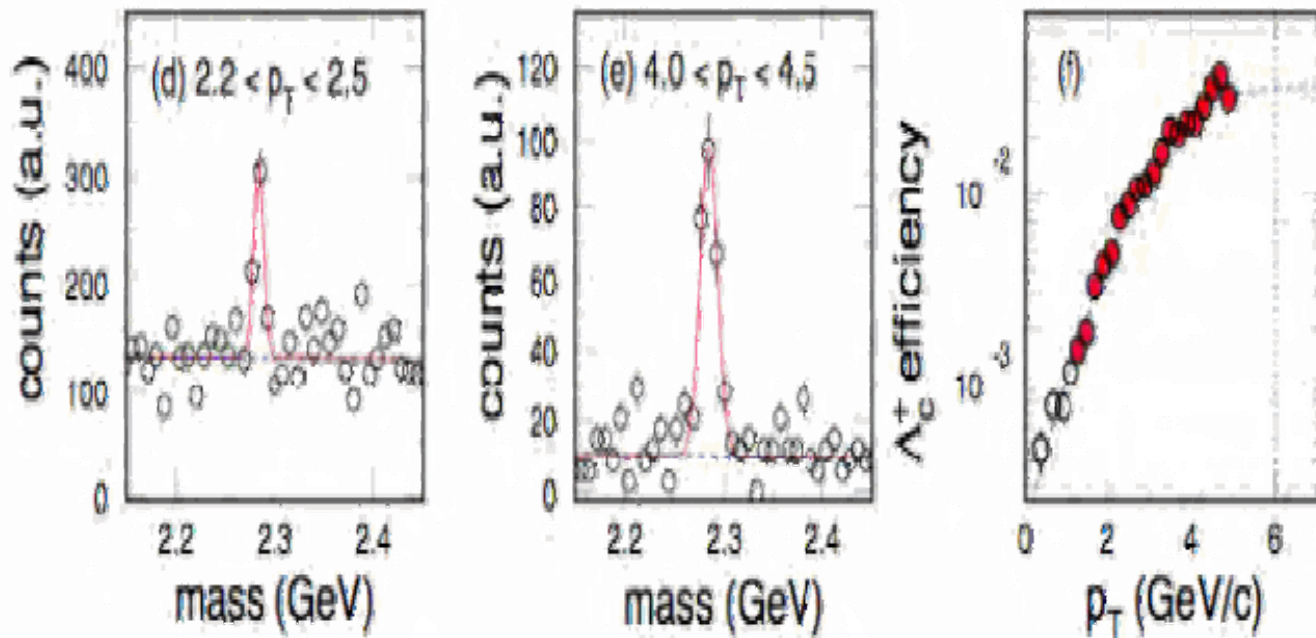
thick Si 1000 μm effective Si thickness (ALICE like)

Multi-variable methods used
to maximize the significance
while minimizing the background

Λ_c & D_s

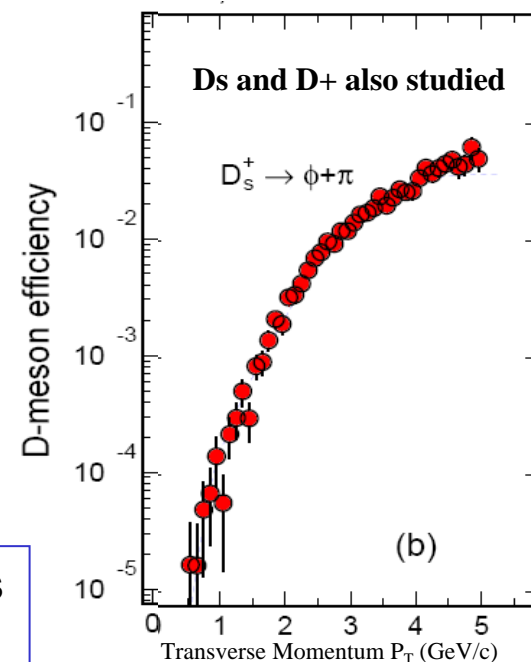
$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ p$ (STAR: TPC+SSD+HFT)

($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV 10% central Au+Au collisions)



D_s^+ / D^0 , D_s^+ / D^+ and $J/\psi / D^0$ are sensitive probes of **thermal charm production**

- **3 body** decays
- 1st charm **baryon**
- Charm **baryon/meson/** ratios \Rightarrow **coalescence**



v_2 / rates estimates

(a) dN/dp_T distributions for D-mesons.

Scaled by $\langle N_{\text{bin}} \rangle = 290$, corresponds to the minimum bias Au+Au collisions at RHIC.

(b) Assumed v_2 distributions for D-mesons.

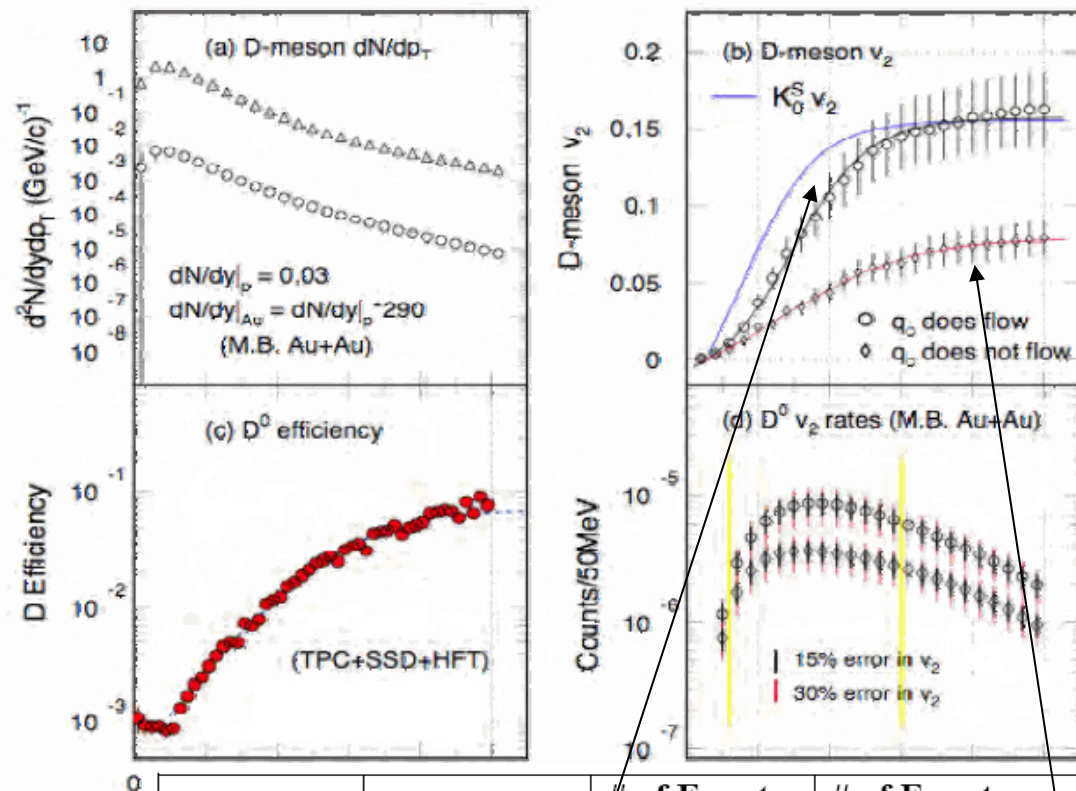
---- PLB 595, 202 (2004)

Error bars shown are from 15% systematic errors

(c) D^0 efficiency with TPC+SSD+HFT.

(d) D^0 meson v_2 rates from minimum bias Au+Au collisions at 200 GeV.

The small and large error bars are for 15% and 30% systematic errors, respectively. For the v_2 analysis, 12 bins in ϕ are used.



p_T (GeV/c)	Δp_T (GeV/c)	# of Events q_c does flow	# of Events q_c does not flow
0.6	0.2	260×10^6	525×10^6
1.0	0.5	70×10^6	140×10^6
2.0	0.5	53×10^6	125×10^6
3.0	1.0	105×10^6	175×10^6
5.0	1.0	210×10^6	440×10^6

STAR run 4: 50M events

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Summary

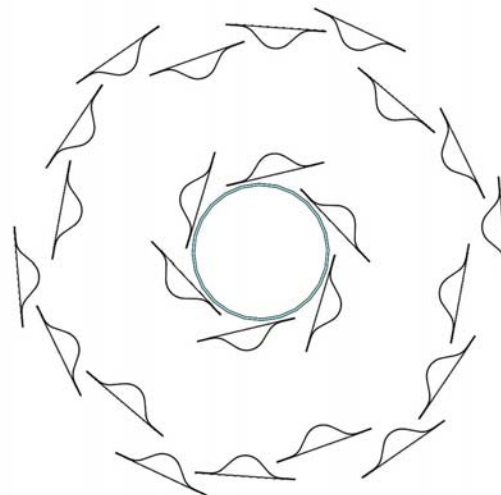
To address current **open questions we need :**

- **Direct topological reconstruction of Charm and precise V_2**
- The HFT detector will be **very thin** ($< 0.28 X_0$ per layer) and **precise** ($\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$) and use the **CMOS** technology.
- Key measurements
 - **Charm Spectra, R_{AA} & R_{cp}**
 - **Angular Correlations**
- Full scale prototype in STAR ~ 2009 ,
final detector (fast version) : ~ 2011



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Thank you!

Proposal available very soon





Backup



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Coalescence of Charm Quarks?

	$e\text{-}p$ and e^+e^- average	Pythia	Statistical coalescence
$f(c \rightarrow D^+)$	0.232	0.162	0.21
$f(c \rightarrow D^0)$	0.549	0.639	0.483
$f(c \rightarrow D_s^+)$	0.101	0.125	0.182
$f(c \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+)$	0.076	0.066	0.080
$f(c \rightarrow J/\psi)$		0.006	0.057

Andronic et al., *Phys. Lett. B* 571, 36 (2003).

Table 1: Charm quark fragmentation functions. The D^+ and D^0 yields include feed-down from D^{*+} and D^{*0} decays.

D_s^+/D^0 , D_s^+/D^+ and $J/\psi/D^0$ are sensitive probes of **thermal charm production** & history

- Charm **fragments** into a variety of **hadrons**
- If Charm quarks **equilibrate** with the **surrounding medium** then they might **coalesce** with the **light quarks**
 - which would imply they **travel a large distance** in the **thermalized** medium
- Coalescence** Increases the yield of Λ_c and J/ψ by 80% and a factor of 10, respectively
- Systematic errors cancel in D_s^+/D^+ due to similar decay channels

Photonic Backgrounds reduced with the HFT

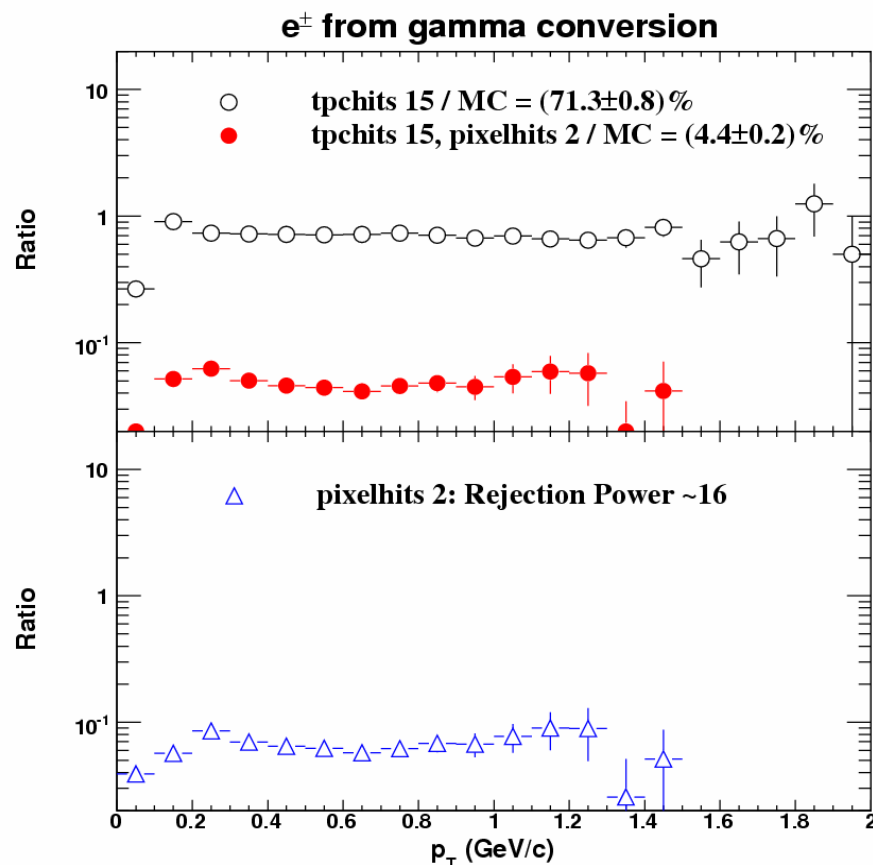


Figure: Electron p_T spectra from γ conversions reconstructed by requiring TPC tracking or TPC hits and 2 HFT hits. The rejection factor is about 16:1

- **Direct topological** reconstruction of charm avoids the single electron **background problem**
- But the HFT can also **reduce the conversion** electron backgrounds by judicious cuts in the TPC & HFT
- The HFT enables better **single electron measurements**

Hit Occupancy

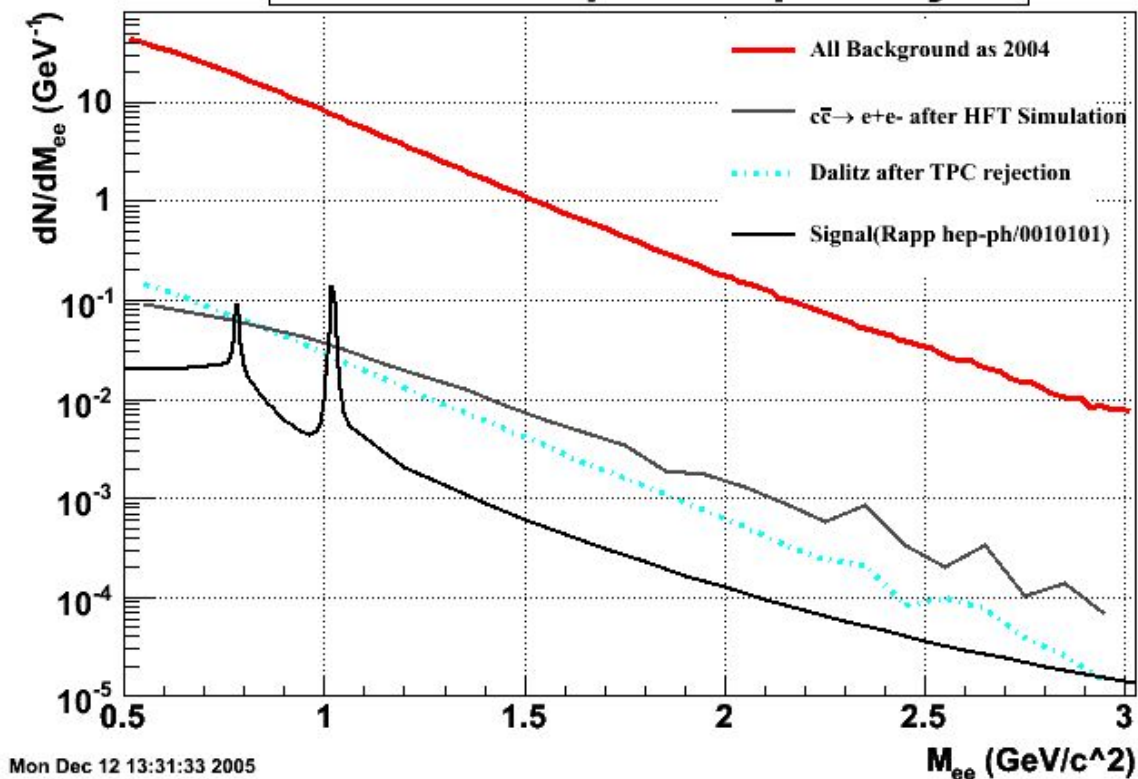
	HFT Outer Layer	HFT Inner Layer
Radius	5.0 cm	1.5 cm
Hit Flux	5600 Hz/cm ²	28,750 Hz/cm ²
Hit Density 4 ms Integration	22.5/cm ²	115/cm ²
Projected Tracking Window Area	0.6 mm ²	0.15 mm ²
HFT Hit Resolving Area	0.001 mm ²	0.001 mm ²
Probability of HFT Pileup	0.3%	1%

Occupancy Same Event Contribution

	HFT Outer Layer	HFT Inner Layer
Radius	5.0 cm	1.5 cm
Hit Density Au + Au Central Collision	1.8/cm ²	7.4/cm ²
Projected Tracking Window Area	0.6 mm ²	0.15 mm ²
HFT Hit Resolving Area	0.001 mm ²	0.001 mm ²
Probability of HFT Pileup	0.02%	0.09%

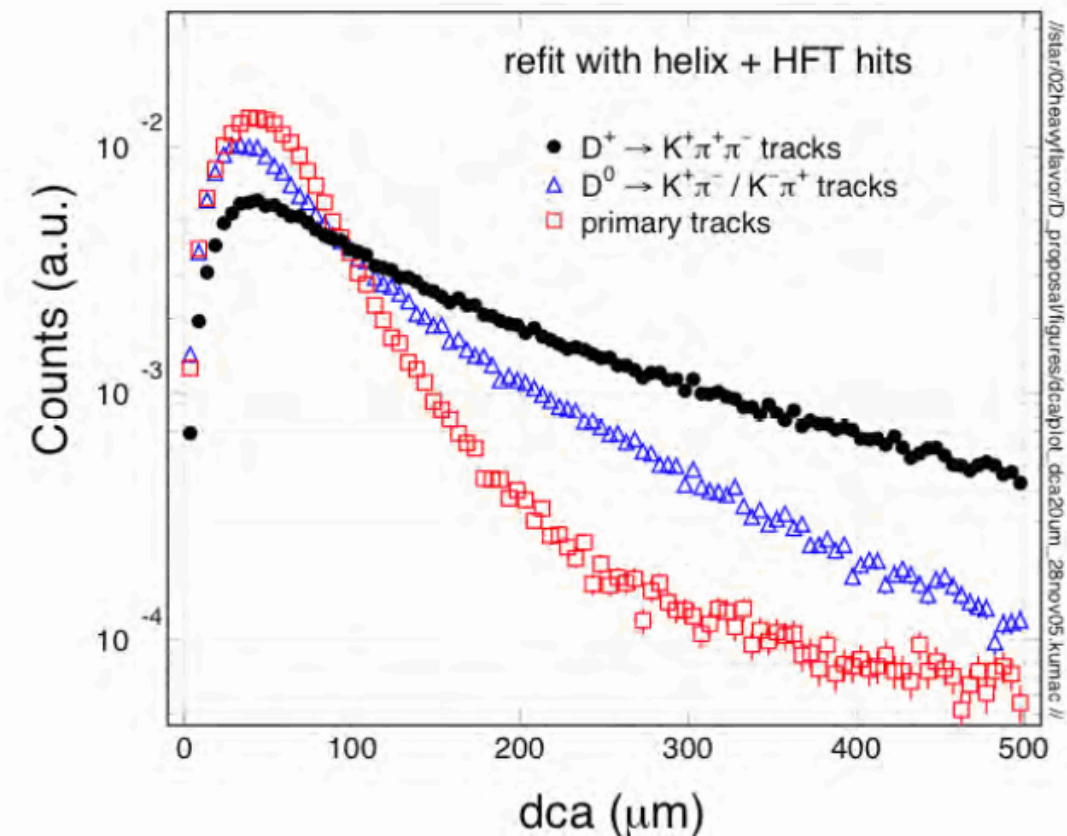
Dilepton

STAR dilepton capability



TOF+HFT can resolve dilepton signals from background

dca distributions



Difference between the charm meson daughter tracks and the background primary tracks!



Cuts for charm hadrons

The input charm hadron spectra followed exponential distributions,

D^0 events: 1.43M

D^+ events: 500k

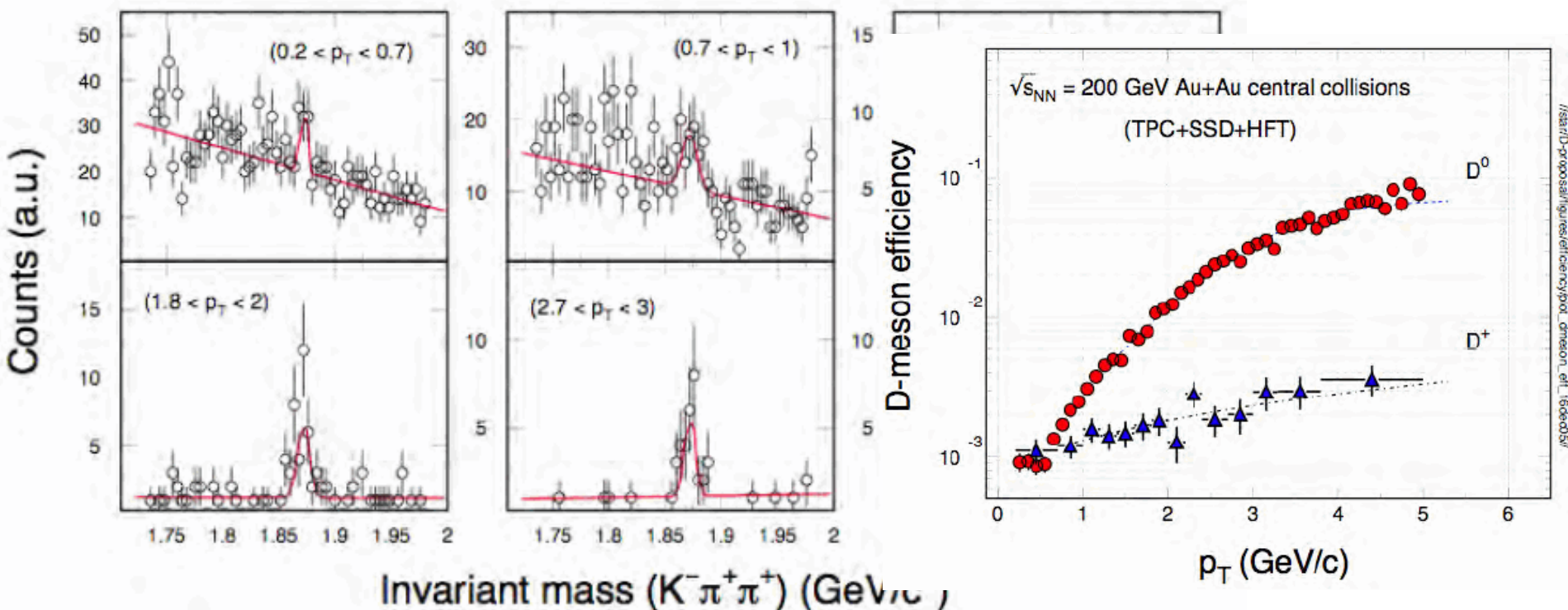
Λ_c events: 2.9M

background events: 10.3k

Cuts	D^0	D^+	Λ_c
nFitPts >	15	15	15
$ \eta <$	1.0	1.0	1.0
HFT hits =	2	2	2
dca(global) \geq		100 μm	35 μm
dca(V_0) \leq	35 μm	100 μm	40 μm
decay length	150 μm	150 μm	50 μm
$\geq \cos(\theta) >$	0.996	0.85	0.92
$\Delta m \leq$	40 MeV		



D⁺ signal and efficiency



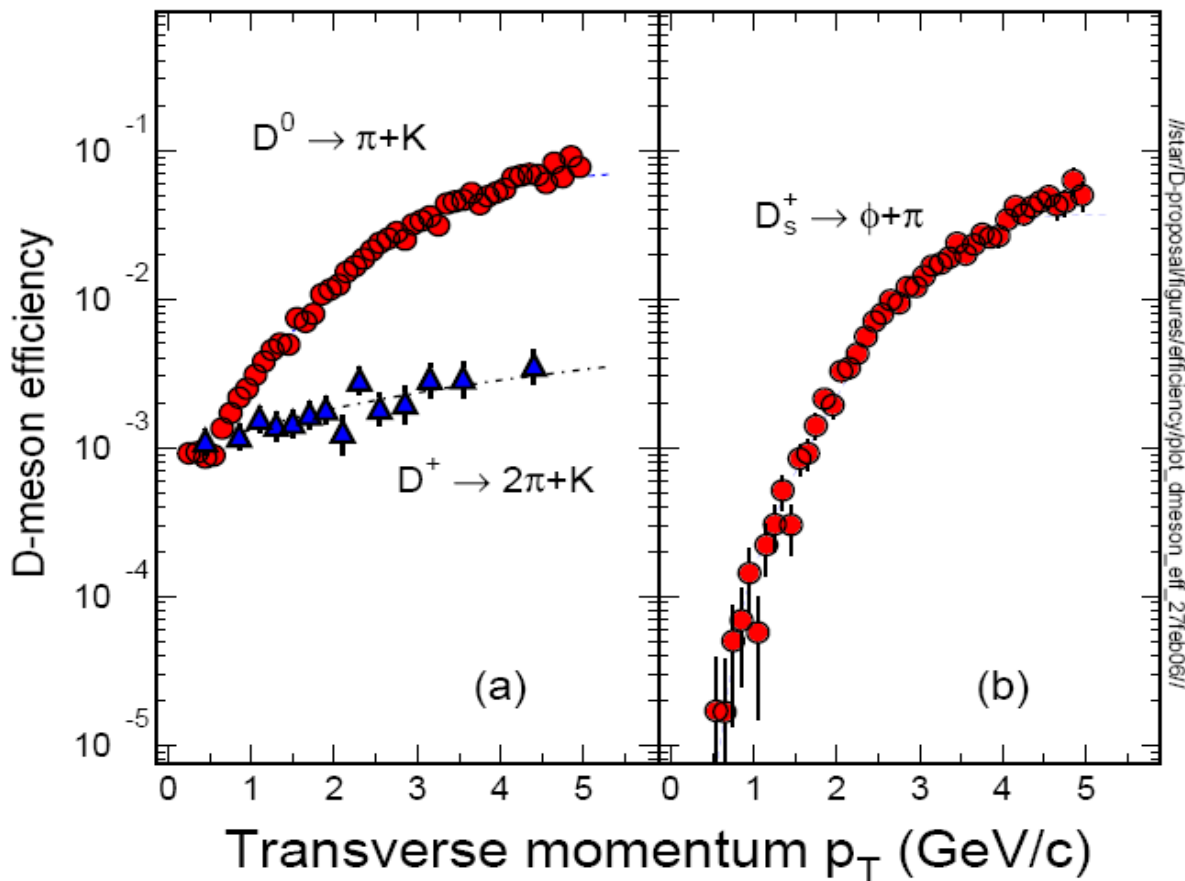
D⁺ invariant mass as a function of p_T . The cuts can be opened a bit at high p_T to increase the efficiency, since the background decrease much faster than signal when p_T goes high.

D⁺ efficiency

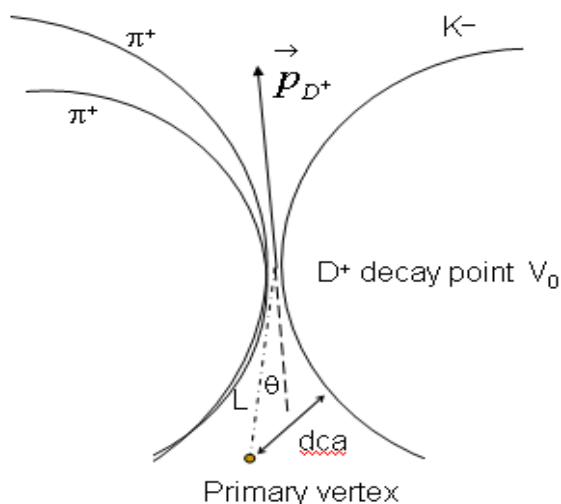
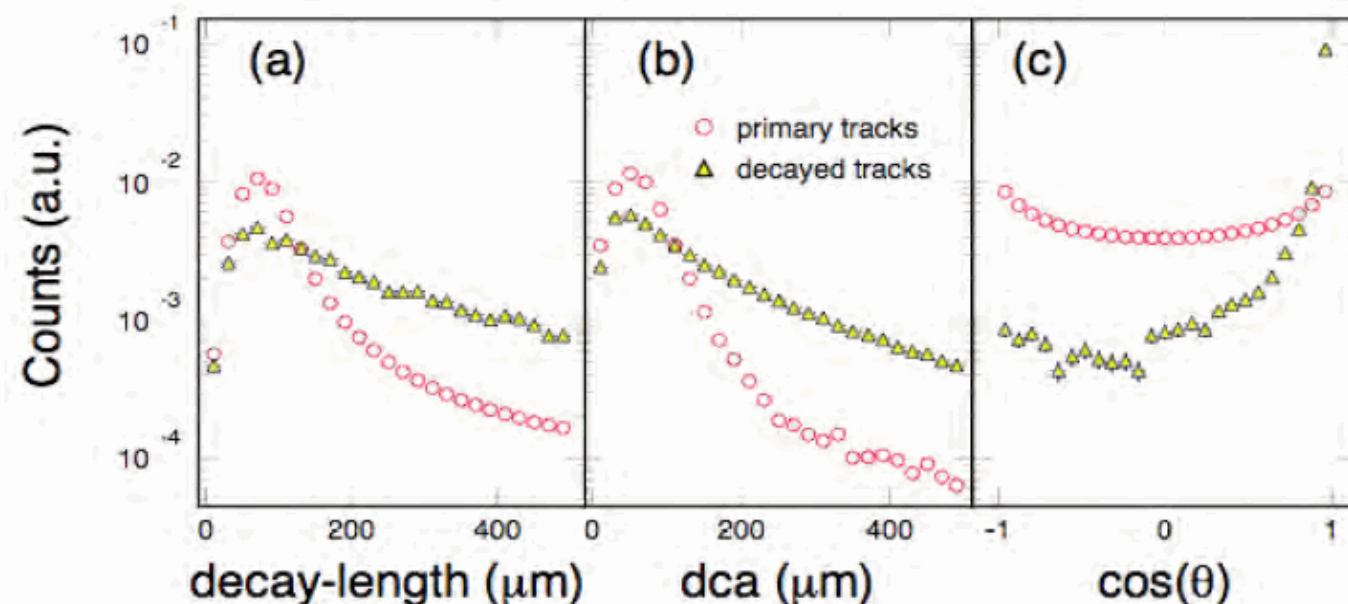
The large difference between D^0 and D^+ efficiencies is caused by the topological cuts used for the reconstruction.

Ds+ signal and efficiency

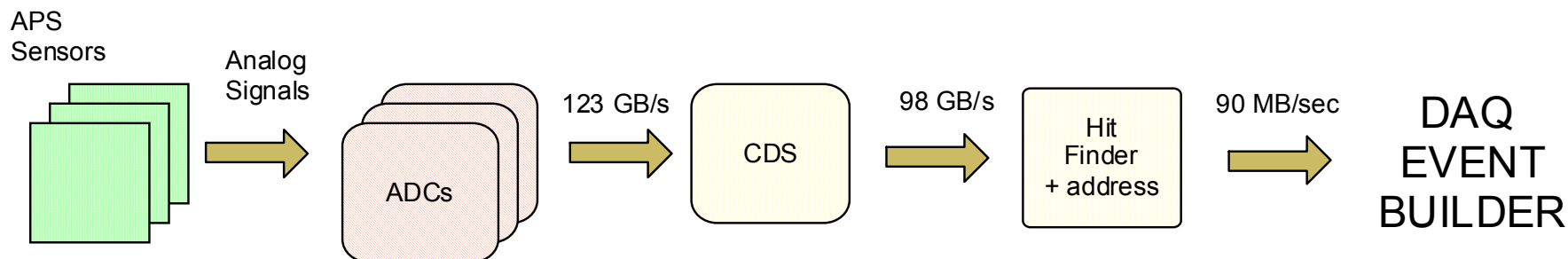
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(TPC+SSD+HFT)



Background rejection for D⁺



fraction of loss:	dca (μm)			$\cos(\theta)$			dec-L (μm)		
	20	50	75	0.75	0.85	0.95	100	130	150
primary	10 %	46 %	72 %	82 %	88 %	96 %	64 %	79 %	84 %
D ⁺ -tracks	5 %	22 %	35 %	17 %	22 %	33 %	31 %	42 %	48 %



- 100 hits/cm² Inner Layer, 20 hits/cm² Outer Layer ($L = 10^{27}$)
- Average event size = 90 KB
- Event size = 90 MB/sec at 1KHz
- 24 fibers
- 12 RORC (4 readout PCs)

Prototype Cable

- ~ 100 traces (2 LVDS pairs / sensor, clk, power, gnd, cntl)
- 4 layer design, 25 μm kapton, 20 μm Al conductor
- Impedance controlled signal / clock pairs with power and ground geometrically arranged as shielding.

Prototype Cu conductor cable



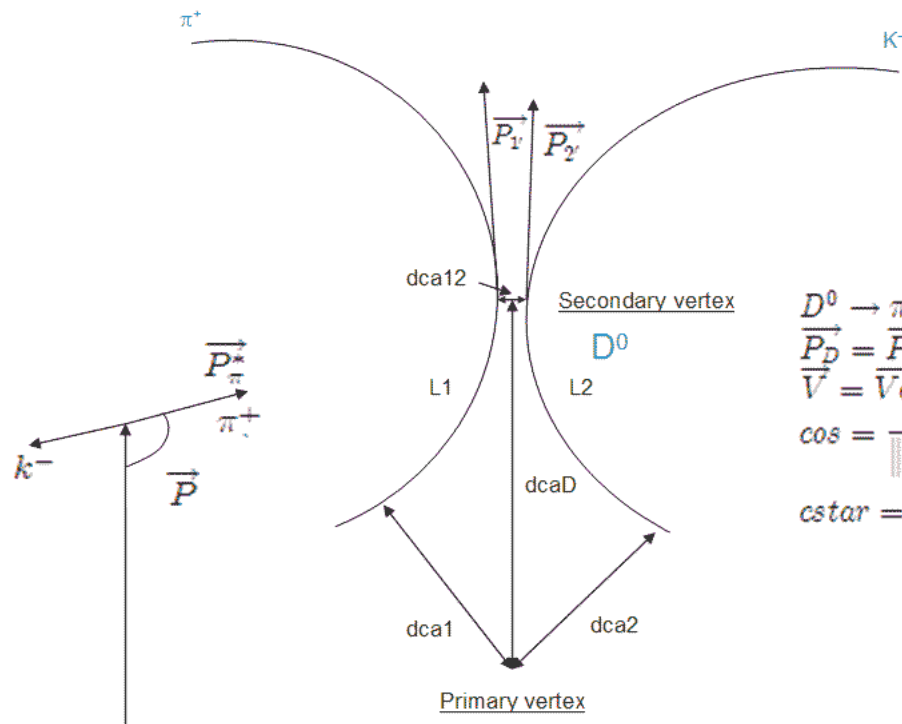
$X_0 = 0.090 \%$ (for Al conductors)

D⁰ Reconstruction

Reconstruction of D⁰ --> π⁺ K⁻

D⁰ 6 variables

D_s 9 variables



$$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ K^- : c\tau = 124.4 \mu m$$

$$\vec{P}_D = \vec{P}_1 + \vec{P}_2$$

$$\vec{V} = \text{Vertex}_2 - \text{Vertex}_1$$

$$\cos = \frac{\vec{P}_D \cdot \vec{V}}{\|\vec{P}_D\| \|\vec{V}\|}$$

$$cstar = \frac{\vec{P}_D \cdot \vec{P}}{\|\vec{P}_D\| \|\vec{P}\|}$$

DO Center of mass frame

-> Classical study

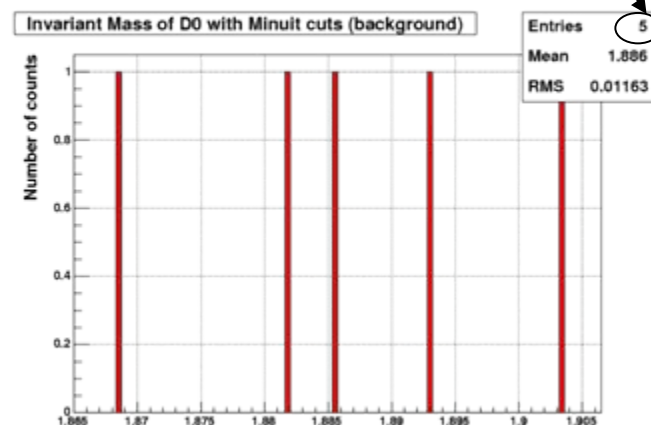
Maximize the Significance →

Minimize $N = 3^2 * (S+B) / S^2$

Less background,
But sometimes it goes to 0!

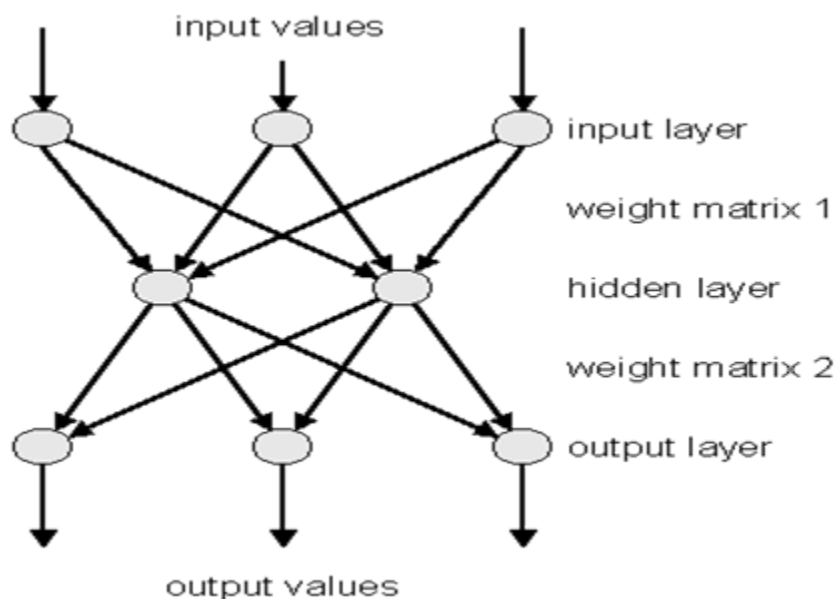
(micron)	(micron)	dca12 (cm)	dca4 (cm)	cos	c*	Inv Mass Min (Gev)	Inv Mass Max (Gev)	Sig
3	80	0.002592	0.011811	0.996943	0.854565	1.772301	1.96769	11853
6	80	0.007934	0.015779	0.999457	0.888059	1.222892	2.517103	12346
18	80	0.008253	0.019841	0.991872	0.802094	1.827590	1.912410	5509

Event Mixing is used
to get more statistics



Neural Netork : Why? How? What to expect?

What's a Neural Networks ?



Input:

m , dca12, dcaD,c*
and cos

How to use it :

It takes a **TTree as input** (merges signal and background)
You can set weights manually (I did not).

Set the number of **hidden neurons (12 in 1 layer)**

Set 2 **EventLists** : training and test

Output :

- signal (0)
- background (1)