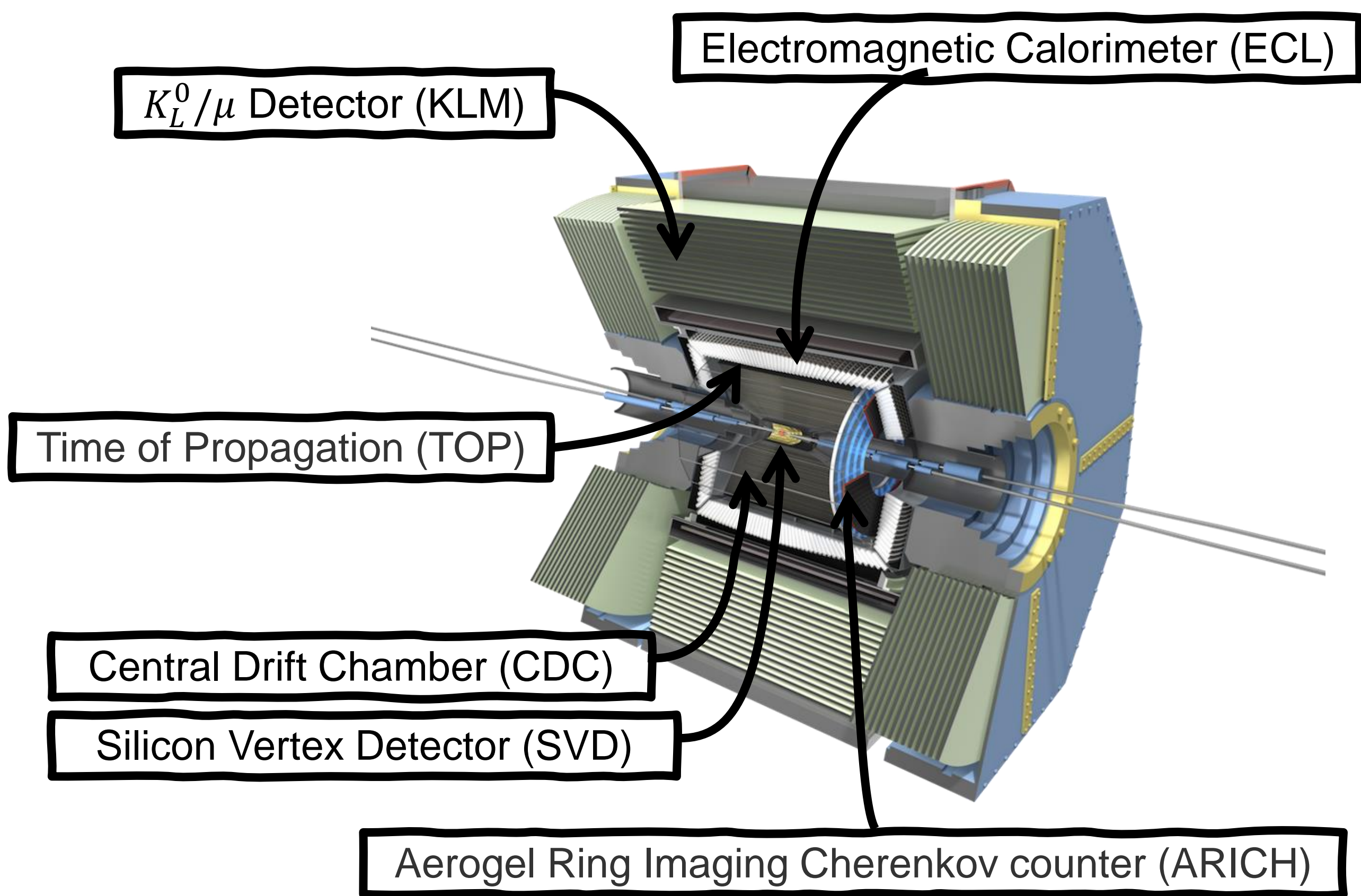


Charged Particle Identification @ Belle II

- Belle II is located at the asymmetric energy e^+e^- superKEKB collider in Tsukuba Japan, collecting data primarily at the $\Upsilon(4S)$ resonance.
- Highly performant particle identification is a key requirement for the flavor physics program.
- Six sub-detectors provide likelihoods for tracks that traverse them for each of the final state charged particle hypothesis: $h \in \{e^\pm, \mu^\pm, \pi^\pm, K^\pm, p^\pm, d^\pm\}$.

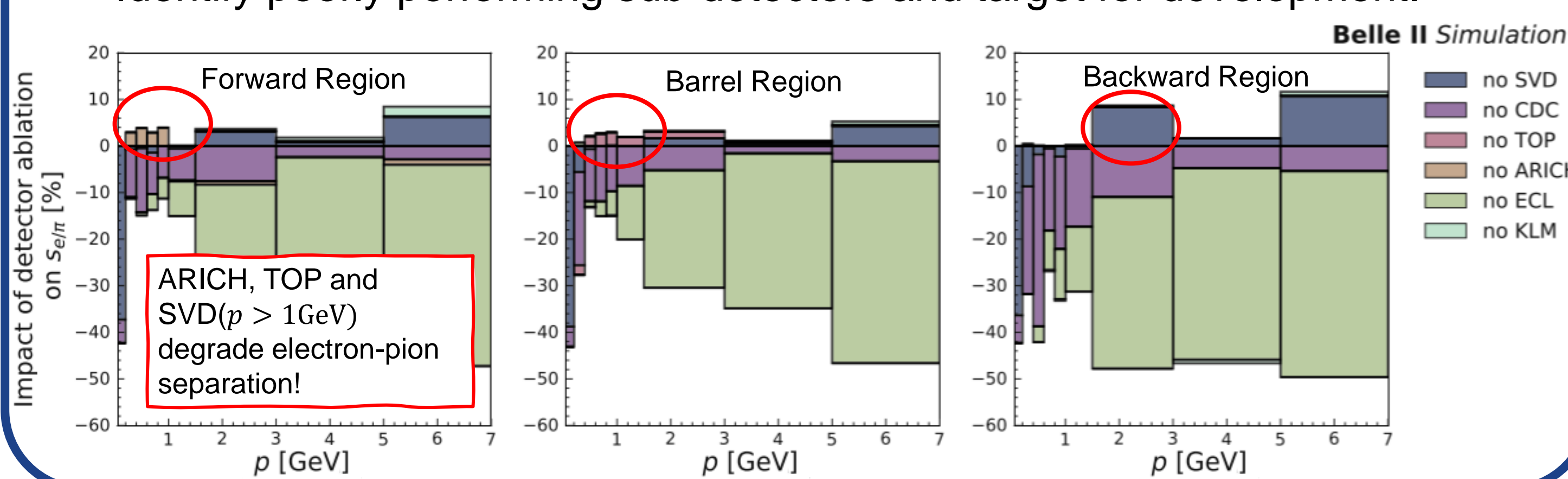


- The likelihoods are combined into global particle identification scores via a likelihood ratio:

$$hID = \frac{\exp(\log \mathcal{L}_h)}{\sum_h \exp(\log \mathcal{L}_h)}, \quad \log \mathcal{L}_h = \sum_{\text{Det}} \log \mathcal{L}_{h,\text{Det}}$$

The Blame Game

- To evaluate the impact of each sub-detector, consider a separation score via an ablation test.
- Calculate the difference in the overlap between the probability density function of simulated pure signal and background samples in the particle ID scores when considering all sub-detectors or all minus one sub-detectors.
- The score is bound between [-1, 1]. A negative score indicates that including the sub-detector improves the performance, a positive score that it degrades the performance.
- Identify poorly performing sub-detectors and target for development.



Calibration

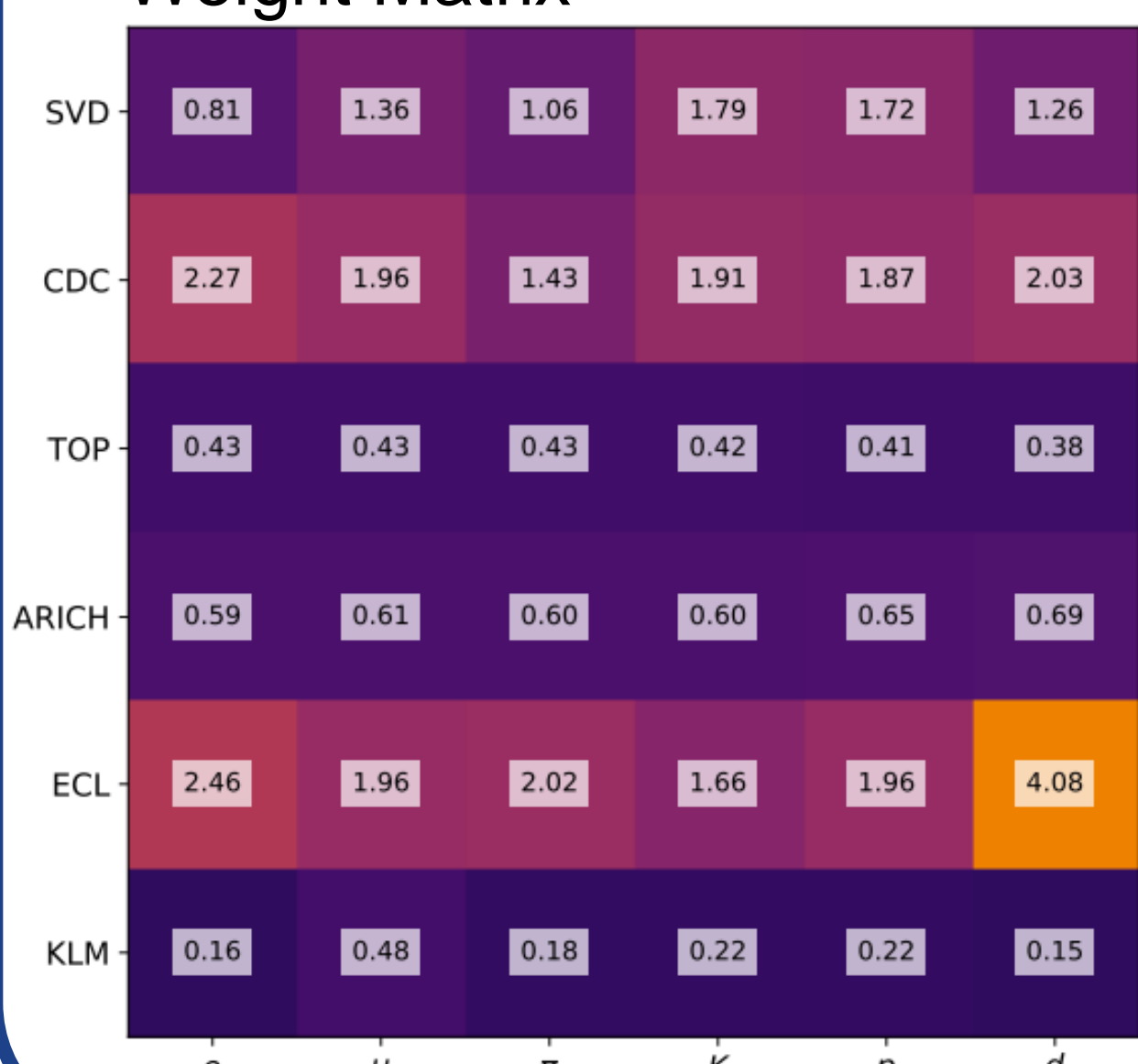
- Over/under confident sub-detectors degrade the particle ID performance.
- Introduce per sub-detector, per hypothesis weights ($w_{h,\text{Det}}$):

$$\log \mathcal{L}_h \rightarrow \log \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_h = \sum_{\text{Det}} w_{h,\text{Det}} \log \mathcal{L}_{h,\text{Det}}$$

- Weights are obtained with a neural network (TORCH), optimized to minimize:

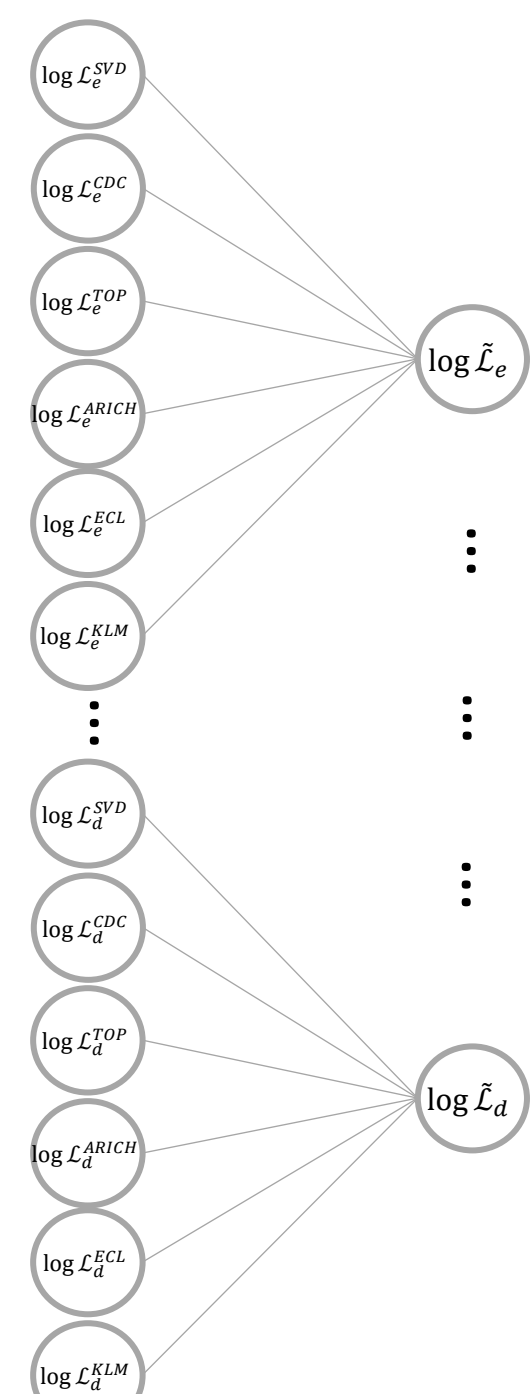
$$\text{Loss}(\hat{y}, y) = \text{CrossEntropy}(\hat{y}, y) + \beta \text{BinaryCrossEntropy}(\hat{y}_\pi, y_\pi)$$

Weight Matrix



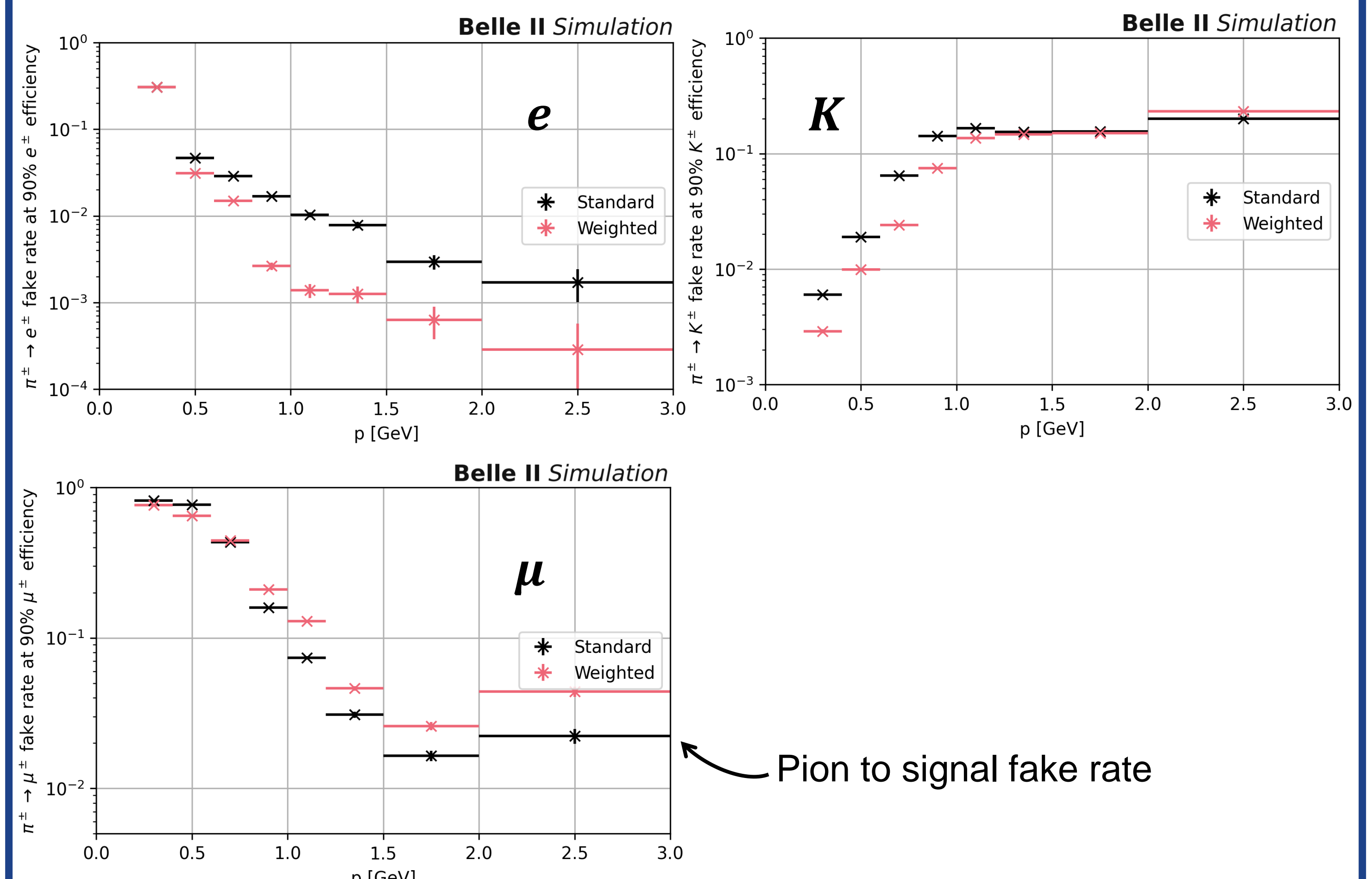
Pions are the most abundant particle species.

Add a pion specific loss to maintain low pion fake rates, $\beta = 0.1$.



Validation

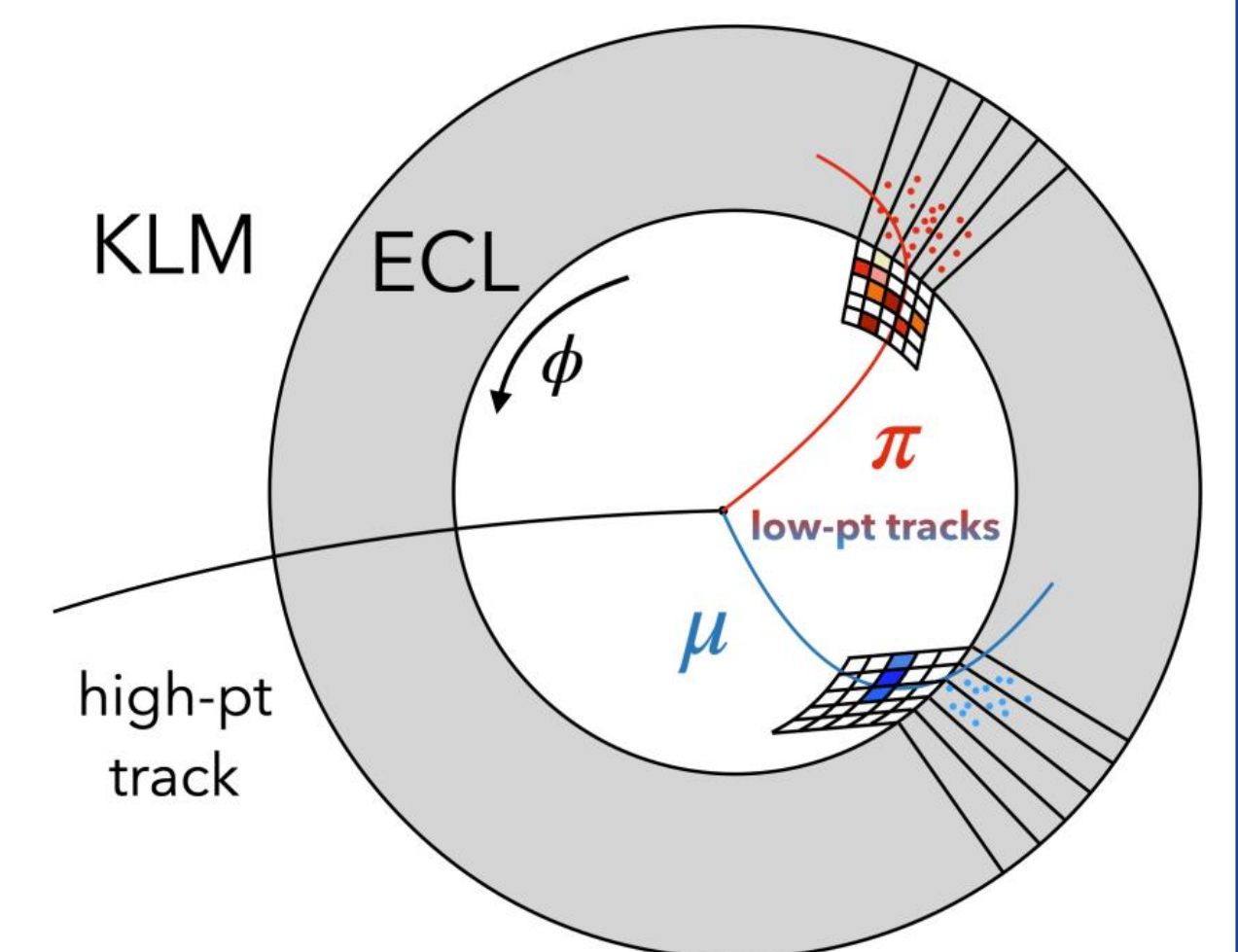
- Validation studies on simulated $B\bar{B}$ decays.
- Busy environment – test performance and ability to generalize onto physics samples.



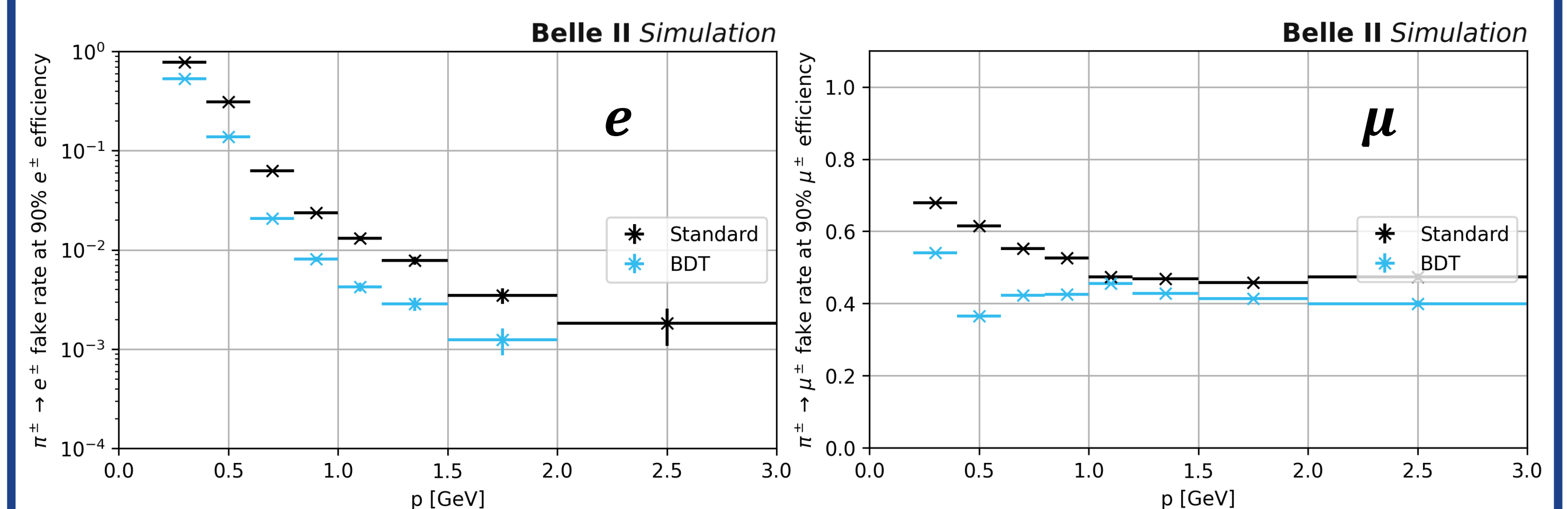
- Simple global calibration weights significantly improve e^\pm/π^\pm and K^\pm/π^\pm separation at a cost of degraded μ^\pm/π^\pm separation.

Improving the Likelihoods

- Constant development to improve likelihood definitions for both calibration and performance.
- Lepton identification relies on ECL likelihoods based on E/p distributions – powerful variable at high momentum however the separation ability degrades at low momentum.



- The shape of energy depositions differs for each particle species. This can be exploited for additional separation power.
- Expand on the scheme of [1]. Train boosted decision trees in 18 (p, θ, q) regions on simulated single particle samples considering E/p , high level shower shape variables (Zernike moments, ...) and per crystal quantities. Convert BDT response to likelihood to integrate into global likelihood scheme.
- Reduces $\pi \rightarrow e, \pi \rightarrow \mu$ fake rates for *ECL only* identification by 55% and 31% respectively at low momentum ($< 1.0\text{GeV}$) for $B\bar{B}$ samples.



- Ongoing development to complement human engineered shower shape variables to machine learned variables via convolutional neural networks [2].

Conclusion

- Simple calibration weights improve the performance of the Belle II global likelihood scheme for charged particle identification.
- Weights trained on simulated single particle samples are generalizable to complex $B\bar{B}$ environments.
- Inclusion of shower shape describing variables into ECL likelihoods via boosted decision trees significantly improves lepton – hadron separation.