

Particle Identification Algorithms Based on Machine Learning for STCF

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Introduction

* The Super Tau Charm Facility (STCF):

- **STCF** is the next generation positron-electron collider in China, designed specifically to explore various physics phenomena in the τ -charm energy region.



Schematic layout of the STCF detector concept.

Parameters of STCF

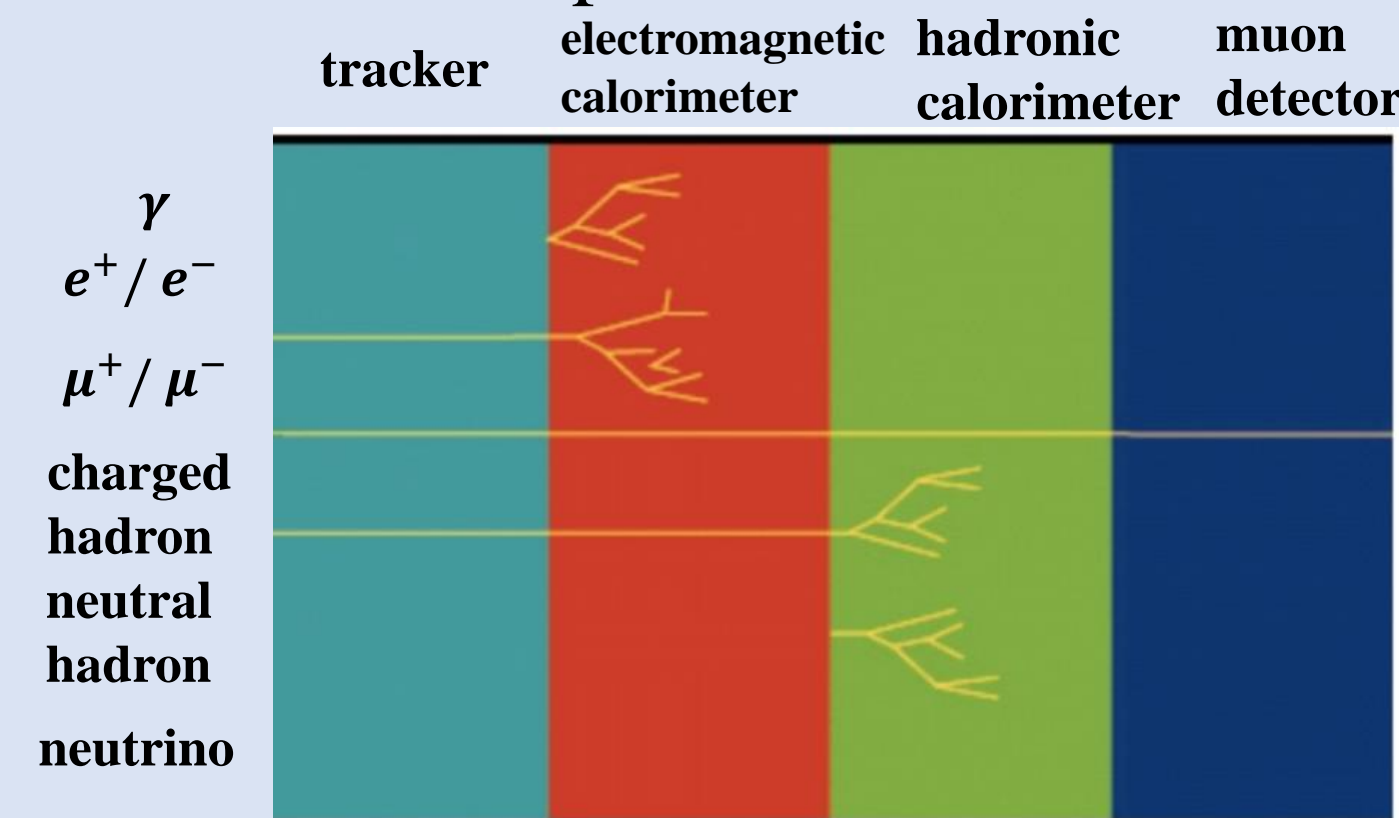
- $E_{cm} = 2-7$ GeV
- $L = 0.5 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Circumference: Double-ring, 600-800 m
- Crossing angle: $2 \times 30 \text{ mrad}$

Physics Objectives

- Rich physics with c quark and τ leptons
- Studying flavor physics and CP violation physics
- Non-perturbed strong interaction and new exotic hadronic states
- Searching for new physics

* Particle identification (PID):

- **Particle identification (PID)** is one of the most important and commonly used tools for the physics analysis in STCF.
- The PID algorithm performance is crucial for exploiting the potential of STCF detectors.
- Better particle identification usually requires the combination of information from multiple sub-detectors.

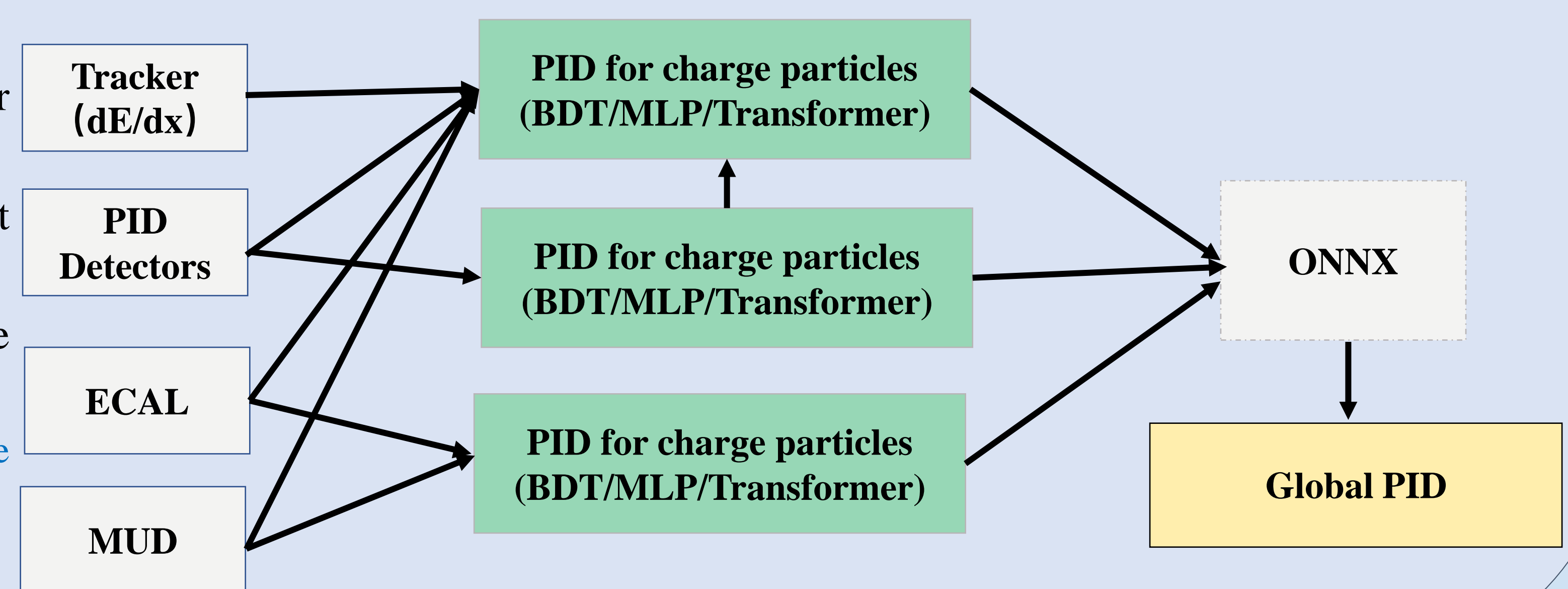


- π/K (K/p) $3-4\sigma$ separation up to $2 \text{ GeV}/c$
- μ/π up to $2 \text{ GeV}/c$, π suppression $\sim 3\%$
- Good discrimination power for $\gamma/n/K_L^0$

* Particle Identification Algorithms Based on Machine Learning :

- The data-driven **machine learning (ML)** approach has opened up new avenues for improving PID performance, with strong modeling and generalization capabilities.
- ML excels at integrating information from all sub-detectors and performing "intelligent fusion" of trajectory information.
- Innovated and developed a Global Particle Identification (GlobalPID) software algorithm based on the ML techniques.

- Identification for charged particles ($e/\mu/\pi/K/p$): Taking BDT (based on XGBoost) as a baseline model
- Particle identification of hadrons based on Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN).
- Neutral particle ($\gamma/K_L^0/n$) identification based on CNN.



Identification for charged particles

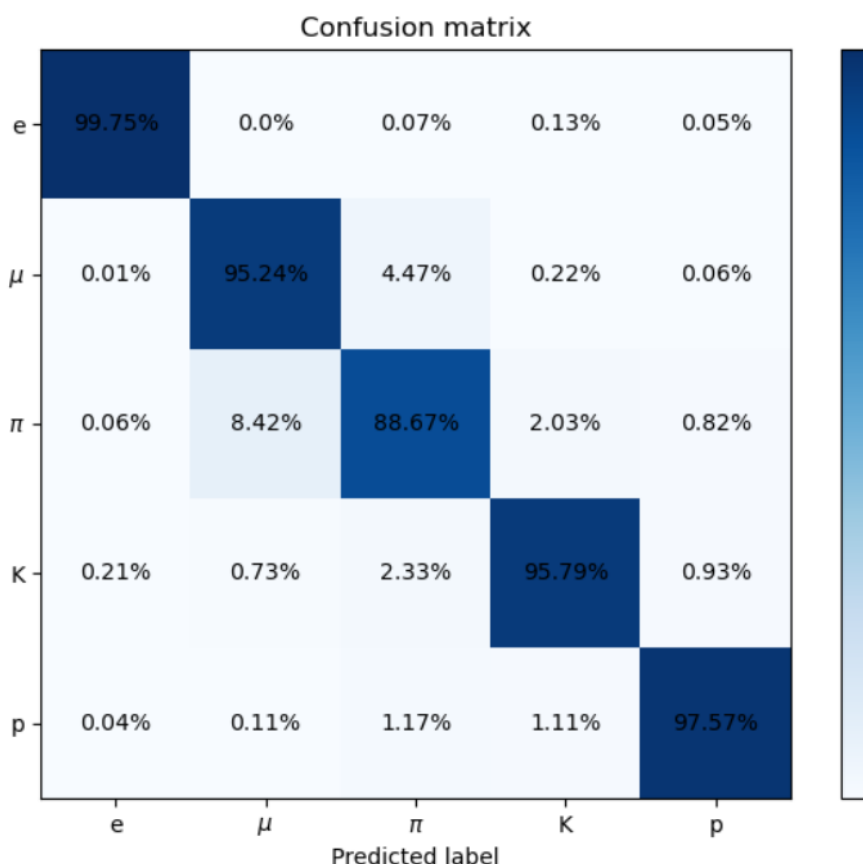
* Data Sample:

- Selecting a subset of the most informative features from large amount of interrelated sub-detectors information can help stabilize the model training process
- MC single charged track using ParticleGun
- 50000 tracks for each type ($e^\pm, \mu^\pm, \pi^\pm, K^\pm, p^\pm$)
- $p \in (0.2, 2.4) \text{ GeV}/c, \theta \in (0^\circ, 180^\circ), \phi \in (0^\circ, 360^\circ)$
- Pre-processing: Flatten momentum and θ spectrum to avoid bias due to p/θ distribution
- 45 features are kept

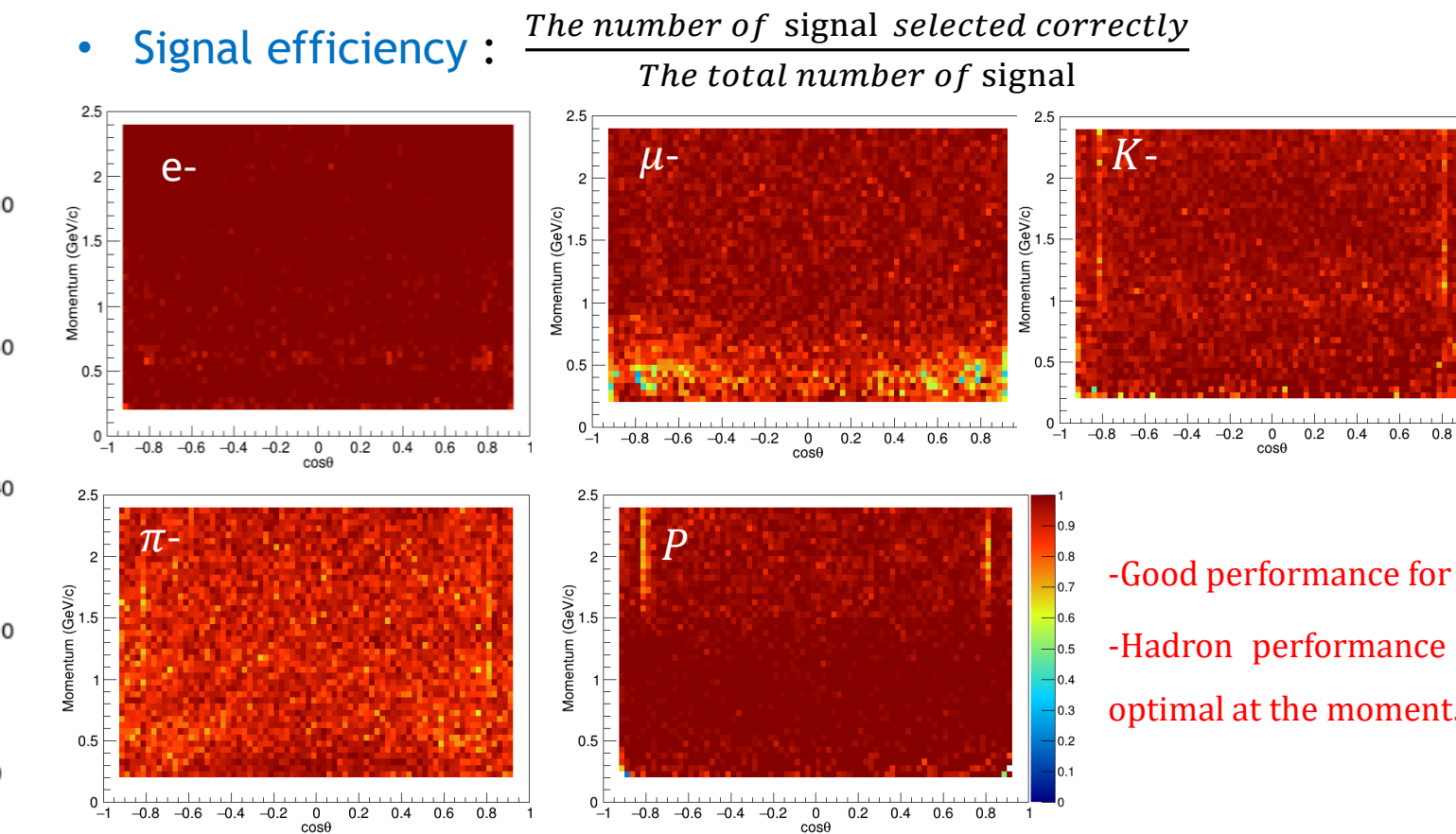
* Training and Tuning:

- Target: automated optimization of BDT hyperparameters
- Selected hyperparameters
- Reduce manual intervention and time costs
- Improve model efficiency and reliability
- max_depth: 7
- n_estimators: 800
- Optimal hyperparameters are obtained based on GridSearchCV

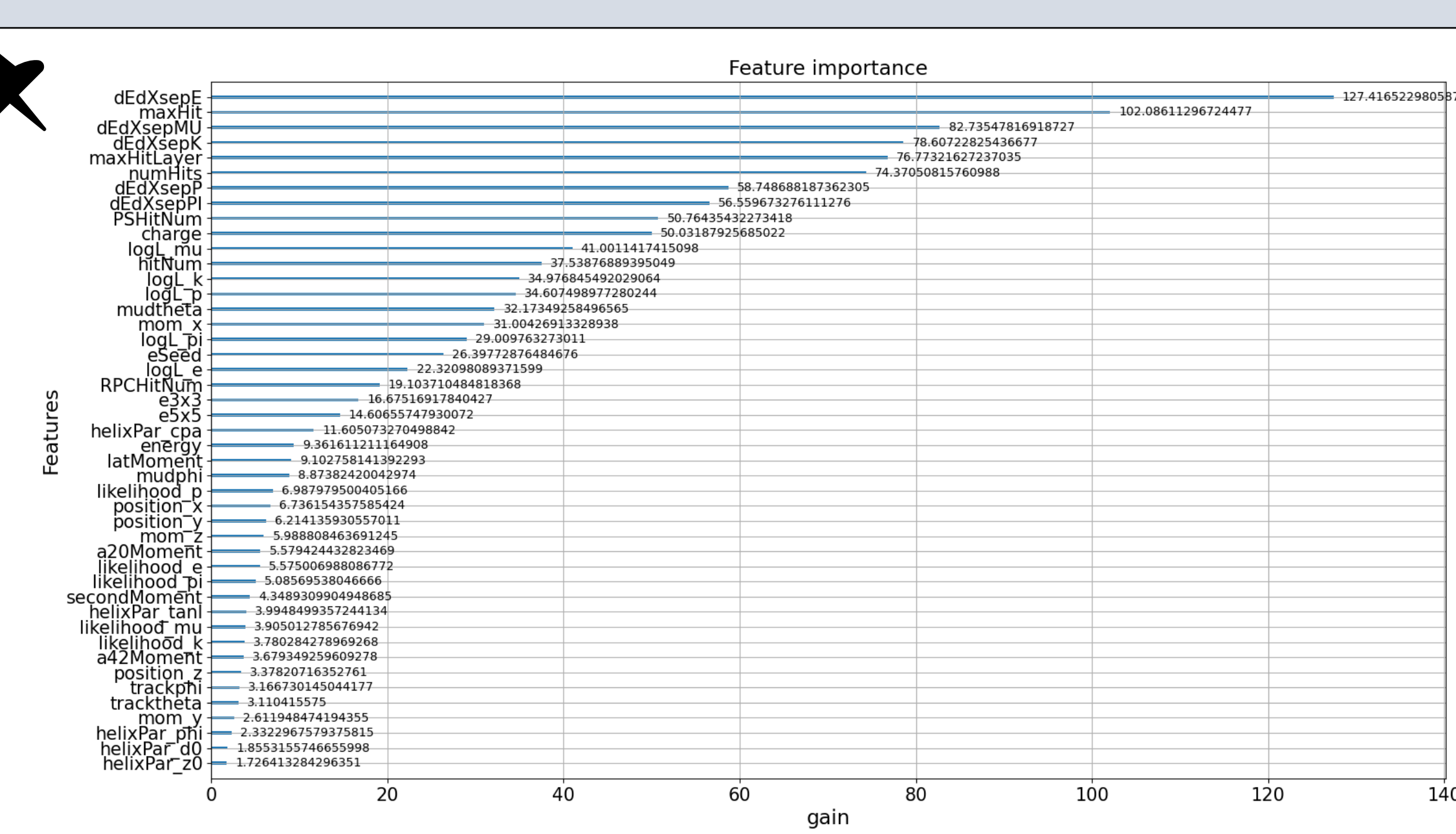
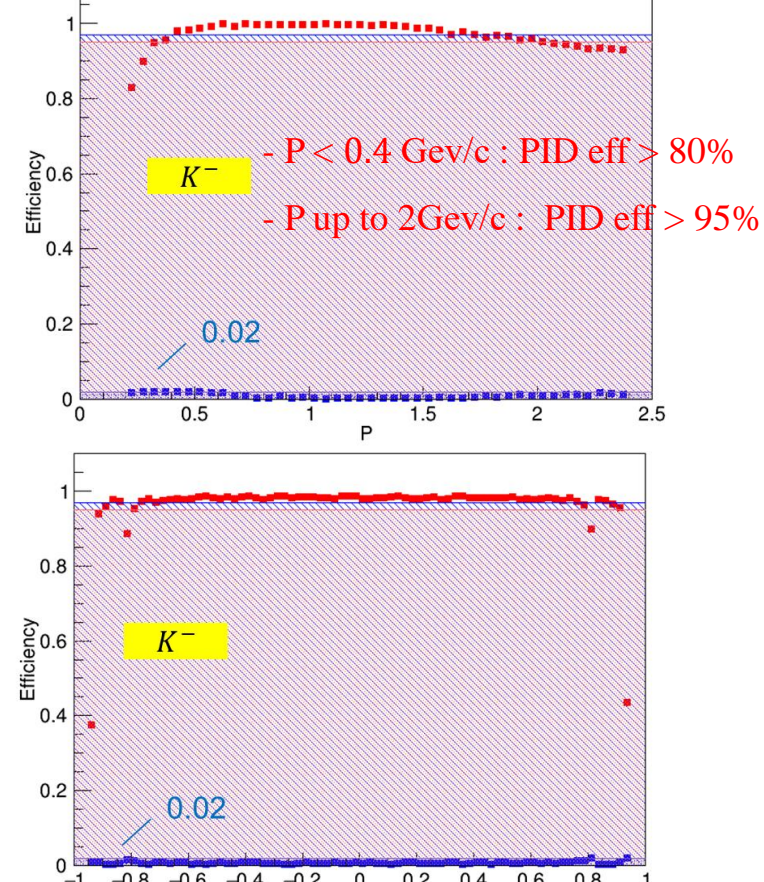
Confusion Matrix



Charged Particle Identification Performance In GlobalPID



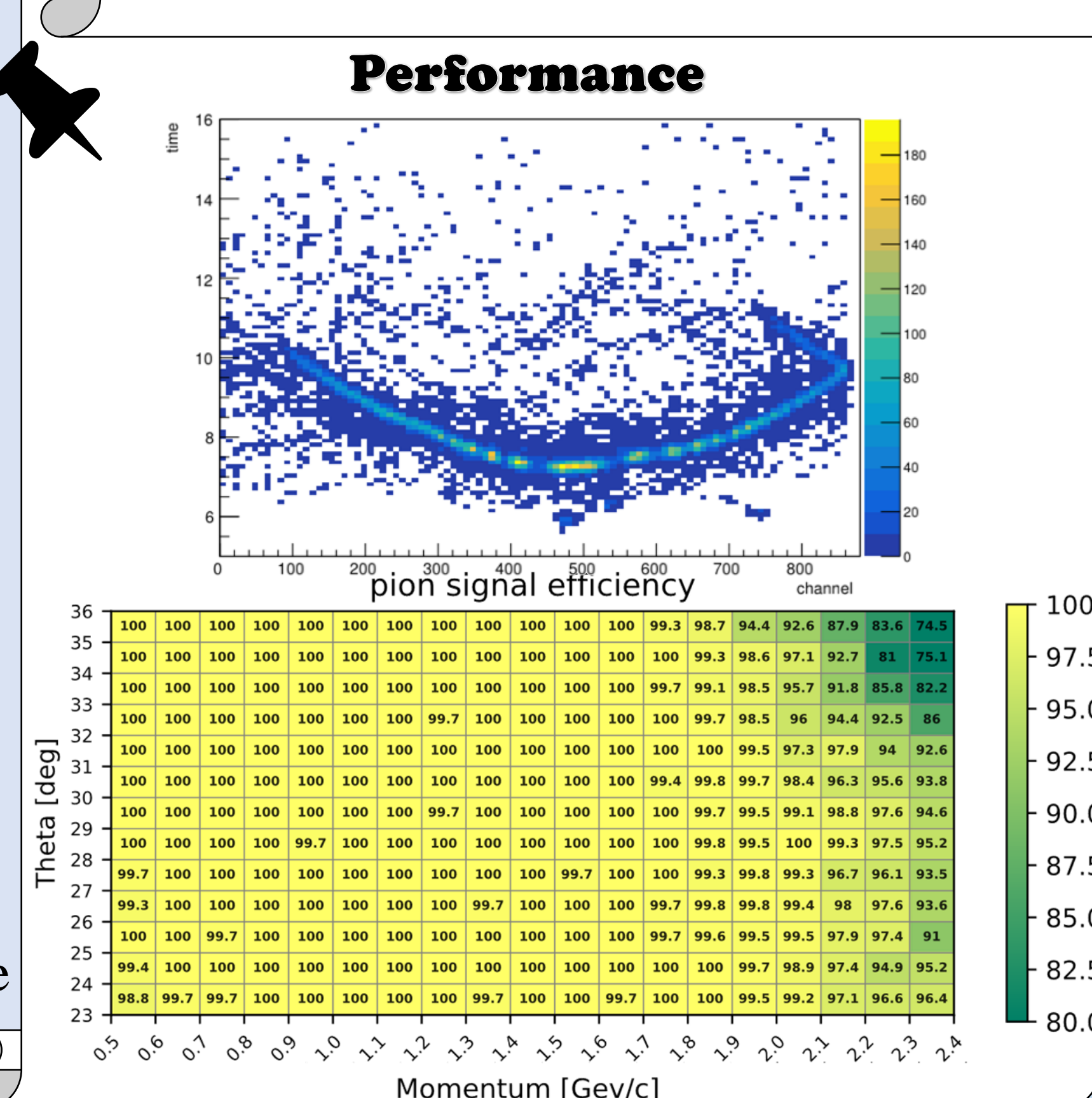
K/P (mis-identification <2%)



Identification of charged hadrons

* Data Sample:

- 2D pixel map (200*216)
- X-label: the hit position of Cherenkov photons
- Y-label: the arrival time of Cherenkov photons
- Value: the number of photons within this bin
- momentum and position as additional features
- Charged hadrons Data Sample :
- Pion/Kaon
- Generated by ParticleGun
- $p \in (0.5, 2.4) \text{ GeV}/c, \theta \in (23^\circ, 36^\circ), \phi \in (0^\circ, 180^\circ)$
- Using EfficientNetV2-S as the baseline model

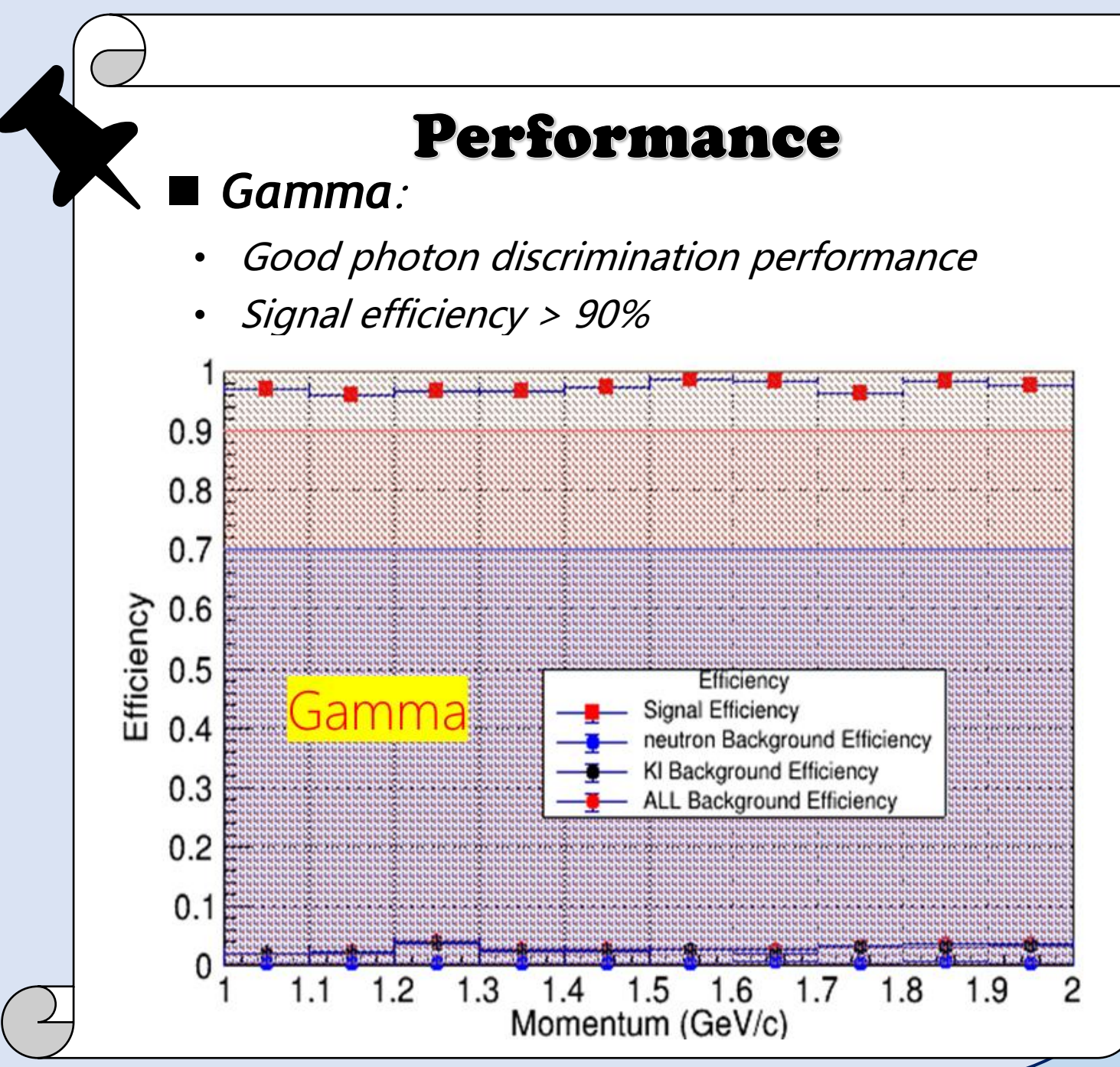


Neutral particle identification

* Neutral particle identification needs to consider the energy deposition, time response and MUD hitting information of ECAL

- The energy deposition information of the electromagnetic calorimeter is projected onto a two-dimensional plane
- The MUD hitting information is used as additional input
- CNN is used for image classification
- Neutral Particle Data Sample :
- $\gamma/K_L/n$
- Generated by ParticleGun
- 100,000 (Each type)
- $P \in (0, 2.0) \text{ GeV}/c, \theta = 90^\circ, \phi = 0^\circ$

* The initial implementation of a global neutral particle discriminator based on CNN



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