



# Hadronic Interaction Studies for LHCb

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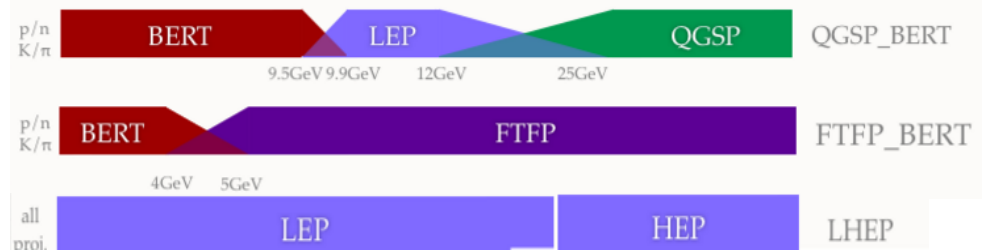
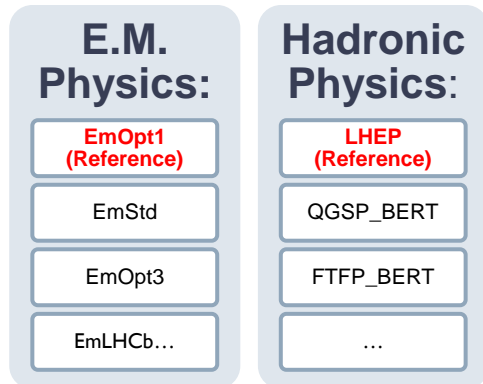
# Outline

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- ▶ **Physics Lists (PL) in Geant4**
  - ▶ What we are using, what is important to us, better alternatives?
  - ▶ Initial studies with LHCb default PL
- ▶ **Extend study to different PLs**
  - ▶ Cross-sections
  - ▶ Multiplicities in hadronic interactions
- ▶ **How different PLs affect our detector in reality**
  - ▶ Occupancies (hit multiplicities, digits, ...)
  - ▶ Particularly concerned about thin layers
- ▶ **Plans to extend study to more data**
  - ▶ **First glimpse**

# Physics Lists

- ▶ Set of EM PLs implementing difference precisions available
  - ▶ Matt Reid talk this morning
- ▶ Set of hadronic PLs implementing combination of models
  - ▶ Applicability varies with energy/species

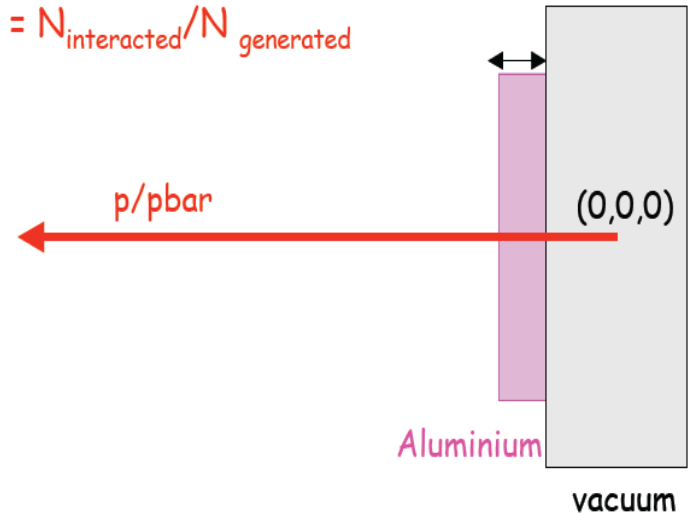


- ▶ Sources of bias in detector important for us, e.g. CP studies
  - ▶ Hardware: geometric/alignment, sub-detector system inefficiencies
  - ▶ Software/algorithms: momenta/position vs. magnetic field vs. acceptance
  - ▶ Interaction modelling: particle/antiparticle behaviour differs
- ▶ All need to be understood, consider whether our use of G4 models can be improved

# Interaction $\sigma$ studies: configuration

- ▶ Simple, standalone geometry
- ▶ G4 9.2.p03
- ▶  $\delta$  turned off
  
- ▶ ParticleGuns, from origin, monochromatic energies
  - ▶ [1...10<sup>2</sup>] GeV
- ▶ Varying Al plate thickness
  - ▶ [1, 10, 50, 100]mm (consistency checks)
  - ▶ Studied also Si and Be targets
- ▶ Use this setup to estimate  $P_{\text{int}} = \# \text{interacted} / \# \text{generated}$

$$\text{Interaction probability} = N_{\text{interacted}} / N_{\text{generated}}$$

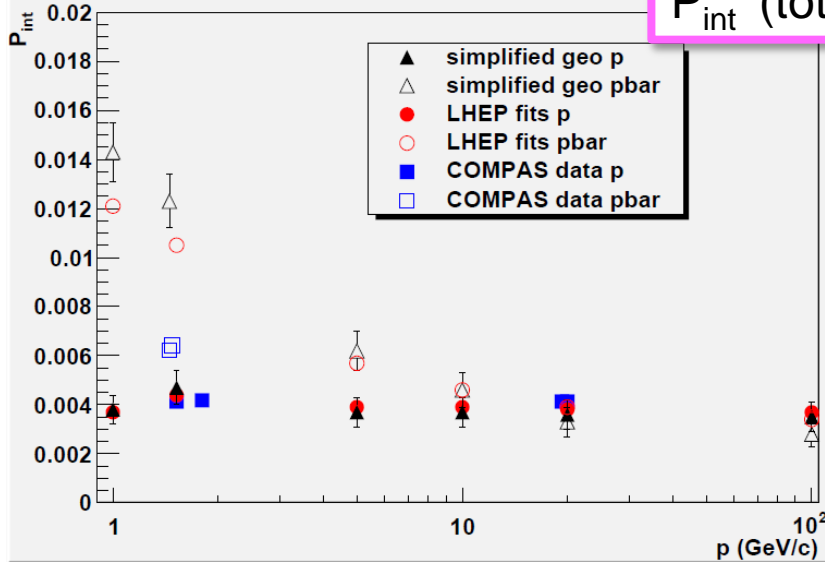


- ▶ Compare with COMPAS measurements (as available) and cross-sections for LHEP fits
  - ▶  $P_{\text{int}} = \sigma \rho N x / A$  (valid  $P_{\text{int}} \ll 1$ )
  
- ▶ Material upstream RICH2  $\sim 0.6X_0$ , so verified stable to at least 5cm Al
- ▶ Work within LHCb Gauss framework, ensure technical handling of PLs/options transport directly to production system

# Material interaction $\sigma$ , pp on 1mm Al

p(pbar) on Al (thickness = 1mm)

$P_{int}$  (total)



Good agreement: LHEP fits/COMPAS/simple model

Particle	$p(\text{GeV}/c)$	$P_{int}$	ratio $P_{int}(\bar{p}/p)$
$p$	1.	$0.0038 \pm 0.0006$	$3.76 \pm 0.67$
$\bar{p}$	1.	$0.0143 \pm 0.0012$	
$p$	1.52	$0.0047 \pm 0.0007$	
$\bar{p}$	1.45	$0.0123 \pm 0.0011$	
$p$	5.	$0.0037 \pm 0.0006$	$1.67 \pm 0.35$
$\bar{p}$	5.	$0.0062 \pm 0.0008$	
$p$	10.	$0.0037 \pm 0.0006$	$1.24 \pm 0.28$
$\bar{p}$	10.	$0.0046 \pm 0.0007$	
$p$	20.	$0.0036 \pm 0.0006$	$0.92 \pm 0.23$
$\bar{p}$	20.	$0.0033 \pm 0.0006$	
$p$	100.	$0.0035 \pm 0.0006$	$0.8 \pm 0.24$
$\bar{p}$	100.	$0.0028 \pm 0.0007$	

PDG

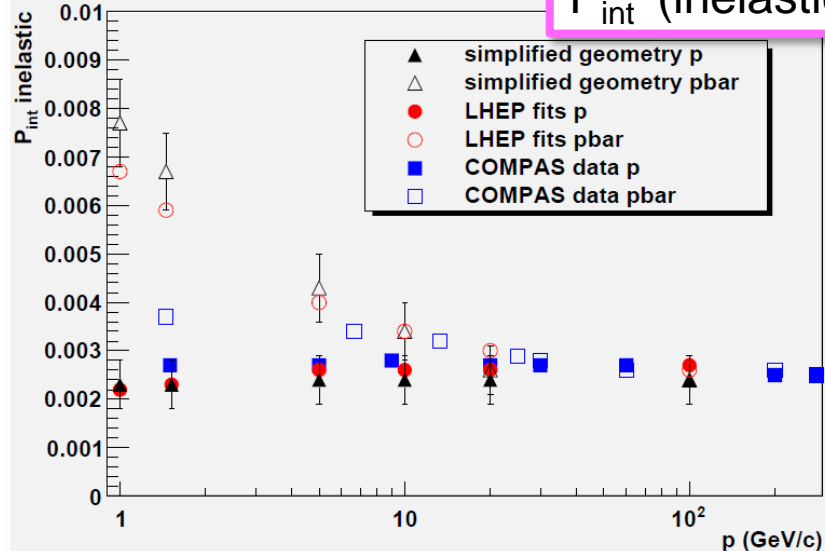
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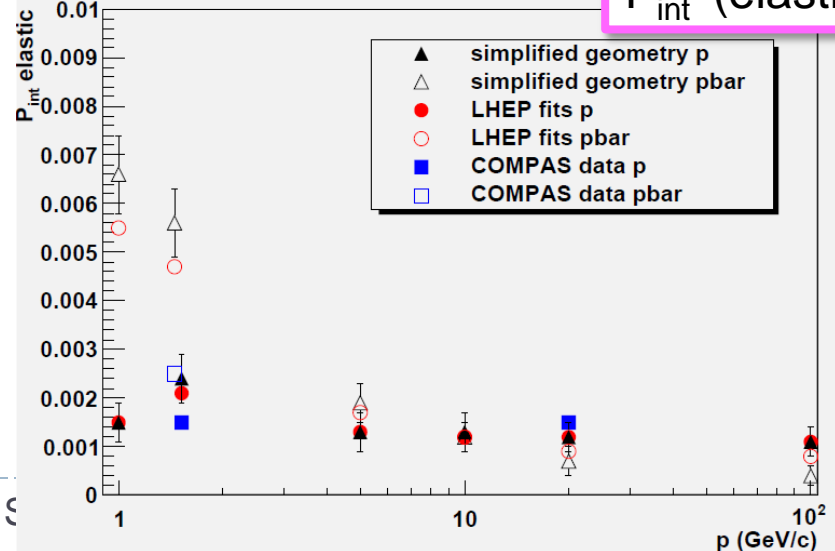
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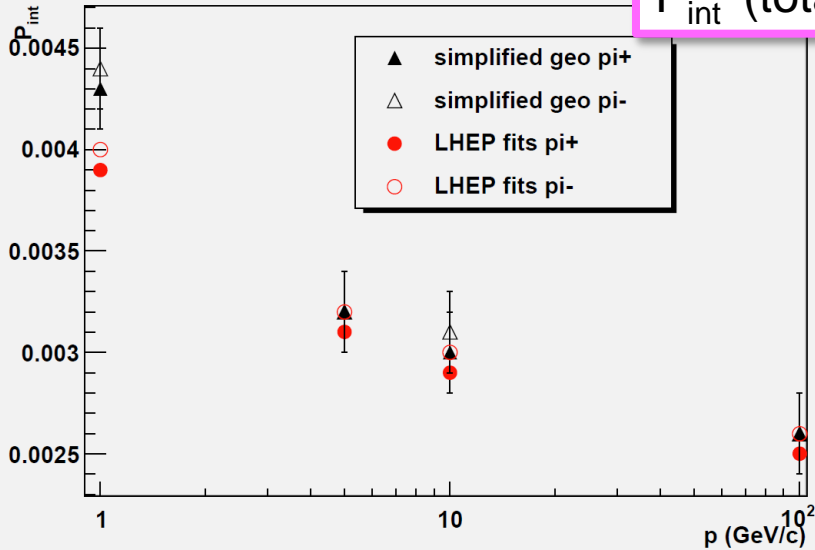
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# Material interaction $\sigma$ , $\pi^\pm$ on 1mm Al

pi+(pi-) on Al (thickness = 1mm)

$P_{int}$  (total)

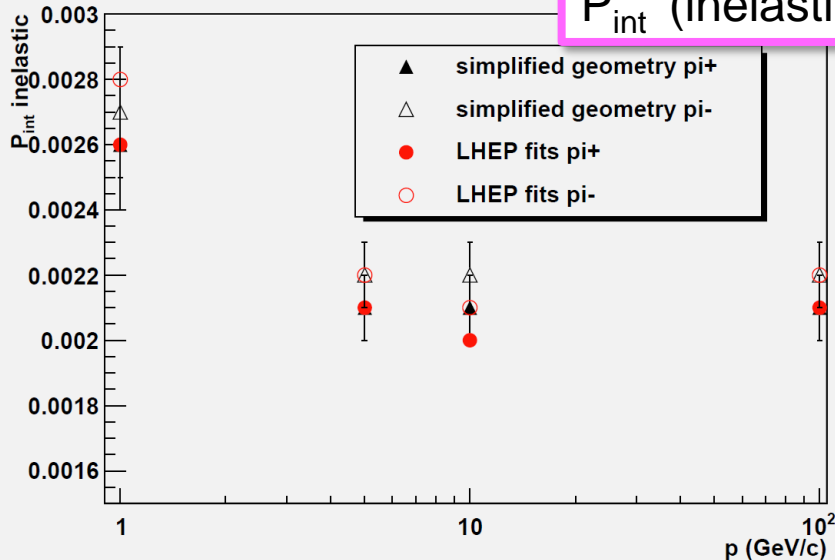


Good agreement: LHEP fits/simple model

Particle	$p(\text{GeV}/c)$	$P_{int}$	ratio $P_{int}(\pi^-/\pi^+)$
$\pi^+$	1.	$0.0043 \pm 0.0002$	$1.02 \pm 0.07$
$\pi^-$	1.	$0.0044 \pm 0.0002$	
$\pi^+$	5.	$0.0032 \pm 0.0002$	$1.0 \pm 0.09$
$\pi^-$	5.	$0.0032 \pm 0.0002$	
$\pi^+$	10.	$0.0030 \pm 0.0002$	$1.03 \pm 0.10$
$\pi^-$	10.	$0.0031 \pm 0.0002$	
$\pi^+$	100.	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$	$1.0 \pm 0.11$
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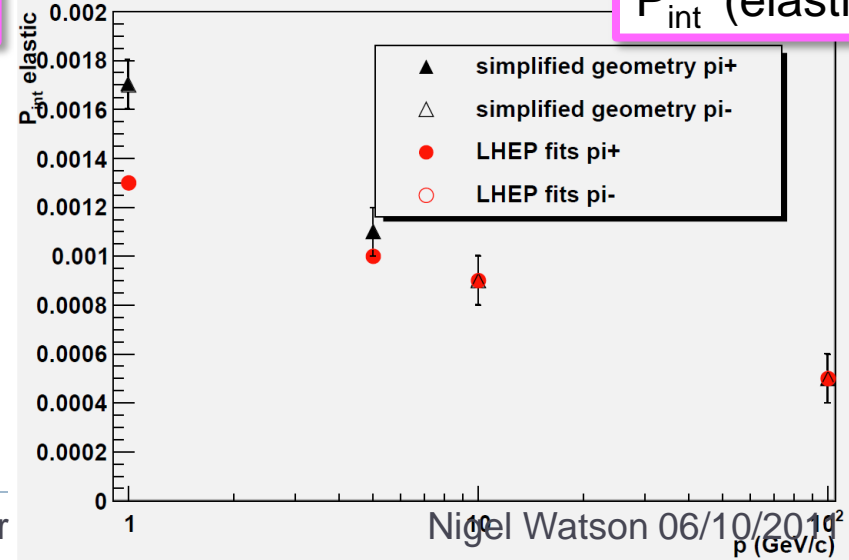
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$P_{int}$  (inelastic)



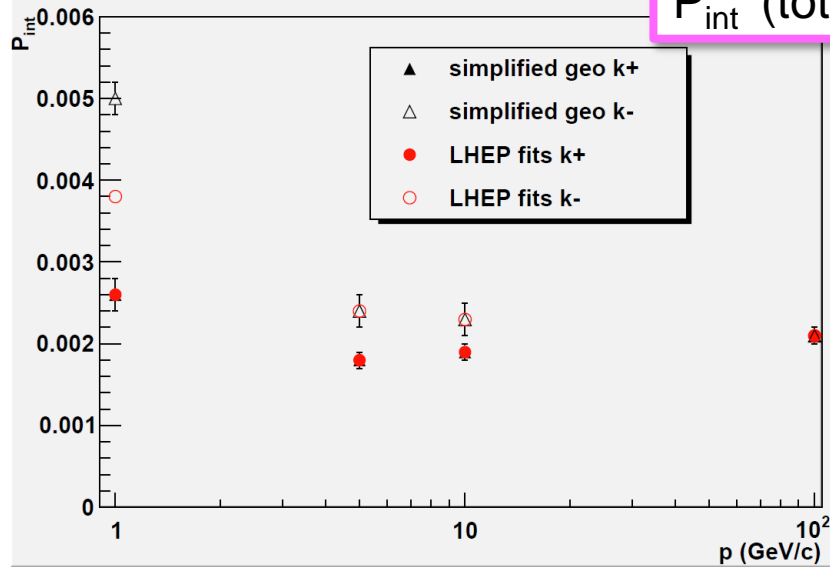
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$P_{int}$  (elastic)



# Material interaction $\sigma$ , $K^\pm$ on 1mm Al

k+(K-) on Al (thickness = 1mm)

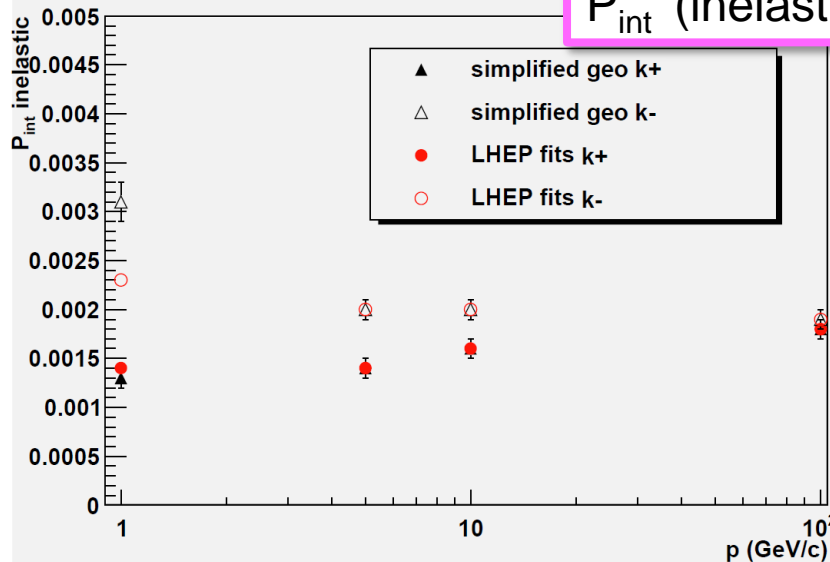


Good agreement: LHEP fits/simple model

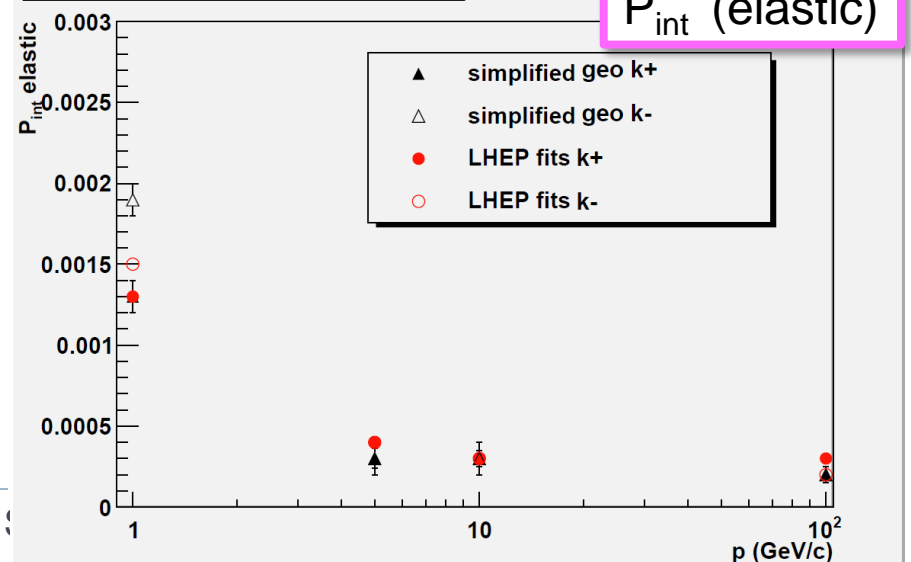
Some differences  $K^-$  at lowest momenta

Particle	$p$ (GeV/c)	$P_{int}$	ratio $P_{int}K^-/K^+$
$k^+$	1.	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$	$1.92 \pm 0.17$
$k^-$	1.	$0.0050 \pm 0.0002$	
$k^+$	5.	$0.0018 \pm 0.0001$	$1.33 \pm 0.13$
$k^-$	5.	$0.0024 \pm 0.0002$	
$k^+$	10.	$0.0019 \pm 0.0001$	$1.21 \pm 0.12$
$k^-$	10.	$0.0023 \pm 0.0002$	
$k^+$	100.	$0.0021 \pm 0.0001$	$1.0 \pm 0.06$
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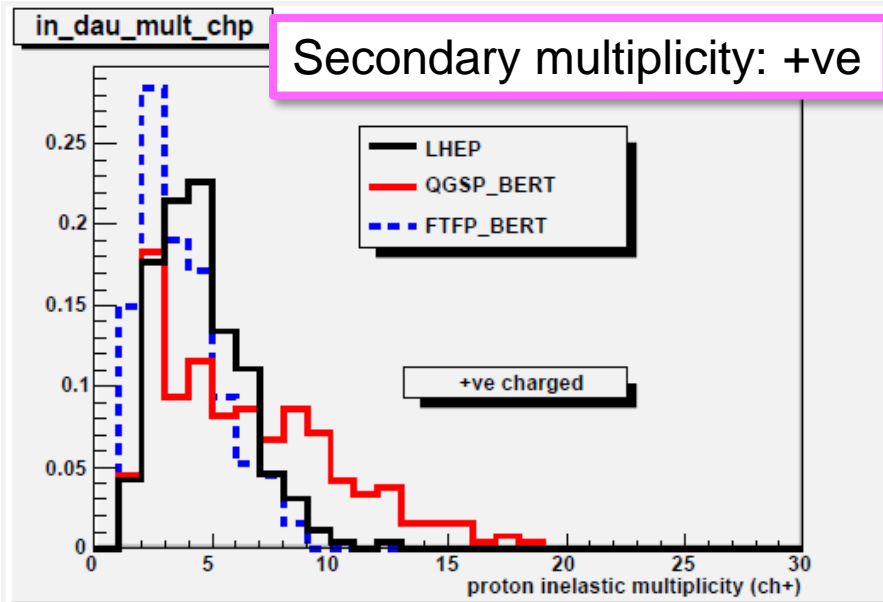
# Interaction cross-section initial tests

- ▶ Verified interaction cross sections simulated inside Geant4 in LHCb framework
  - ▶ p, K, pi using Al, Be, Si targets
  - ▶ Default PL LHEP
  - ▶ Compared to COMPAS database, PDG
- ▶ Results from simple configuration agree with LHEP fits
  - ▶ Technical consistency check, expected
- ▶ Extended studies to include QGSP\_BERT, FTFP\_BERT
  - ▶ For p, similar results all PL.
    - ▶ ~7% difference in  $\sigma_{\text{inelastic}}$  at 1 GeV, LHEP vs. QGSP\_BERT/FTFP\_BERT
  - ▶ For  $\pi^\pm$ , differences small, less than 2-3%, all P
  - ▶ For  $K^\pm$ , same cross-sections in all PL
  - ▶ Pbar cross-sections rather consistent between models?
    - ▶ e.g. p/pbar on 5cm Al

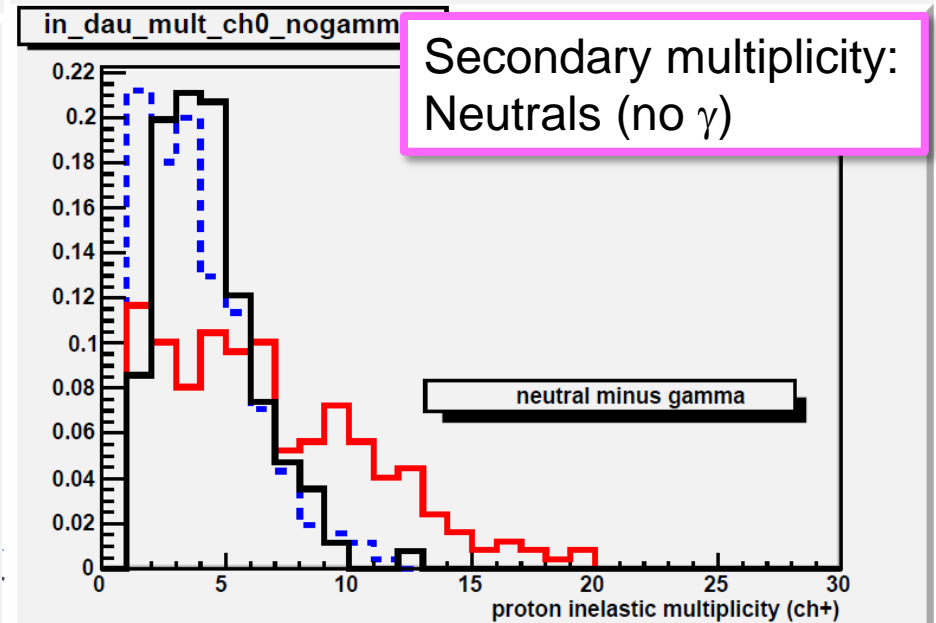
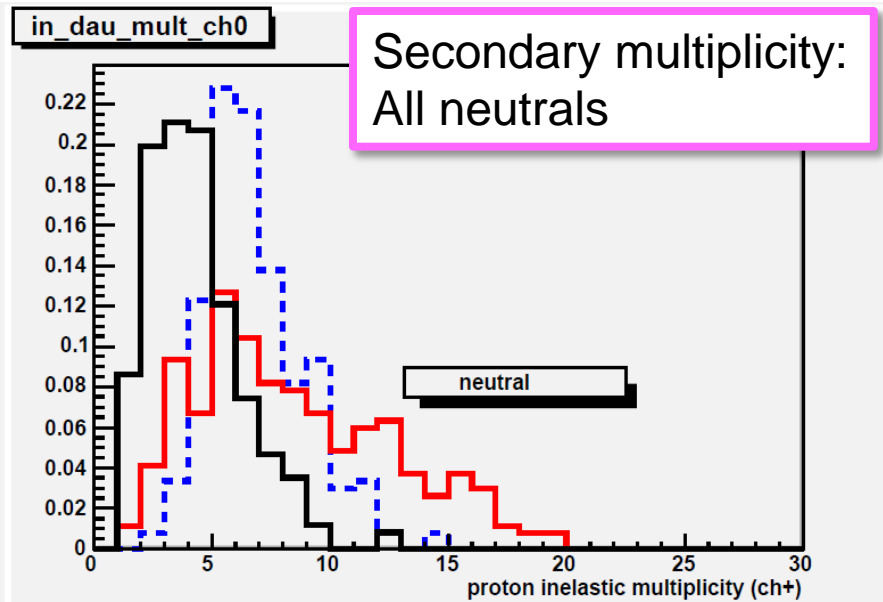
Particle	$p(\text{GeV}/c)$	$P_{\text{int}}(\text{LHEP})$	$P_{\text{int}}(\text{QGSP\_BERT})$	$P_{\text{int}}(\text{FTFP\_BERT})$
$p$	1.	$0.1679 \pm 0.0037$	$0.1814 \pm 0.0039$	$0.1814 \pm 0.0039$
$\bar{p}$	1.	$0.4871 \pm 0.0050$	$0.4851 \pm 0.0050$	$0.4851 \pm 0.0050$
$p$	5.	$0.1778 \pm 0.0038$	$0.1810 \pm 0.0039$	$0.1810 \pm 0.0039$
$\bar{p}$	5.	$0.2548 \pm 0.0044$	$0.2548 \pm 0.0044$	$0.2548 \pm 0.0044$
$p$	10.	$0.1746 \pm 0.0037$	$0.1780 \pm 0.0038$	$0.1780 \pm 0.0038$
$\bar{p}$	10.	$0.2029 \pm 0.0040$	$0.2029 \pm 0.0040$	$0.2029 \pm 0.0040$
$p$	100.	$0.1711 \pm 0.0038$	$0.1745 \pm 0.0038$	$0.1745 \pm 0.0038$
$\bar{p}$	100.	$0.1565 \pm 0.0036$	$0.1565 \pm 0.0036$	$0.1565 \pm 0.0036$



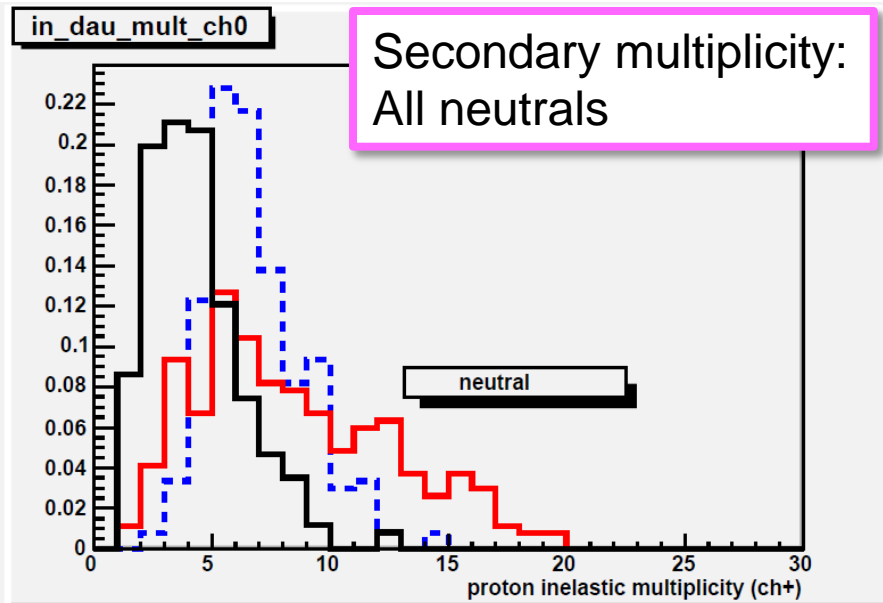
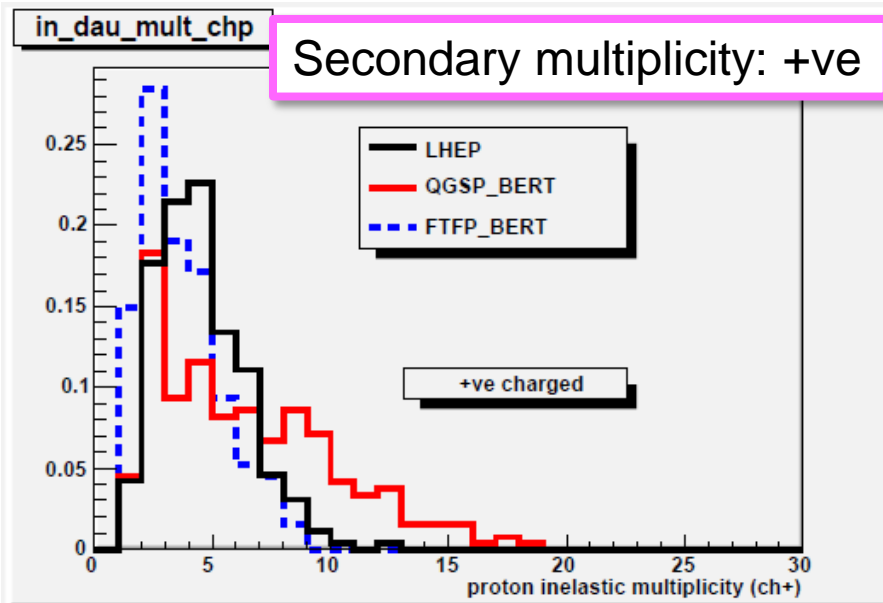
# Inelastic hadronic interaction multiplicities



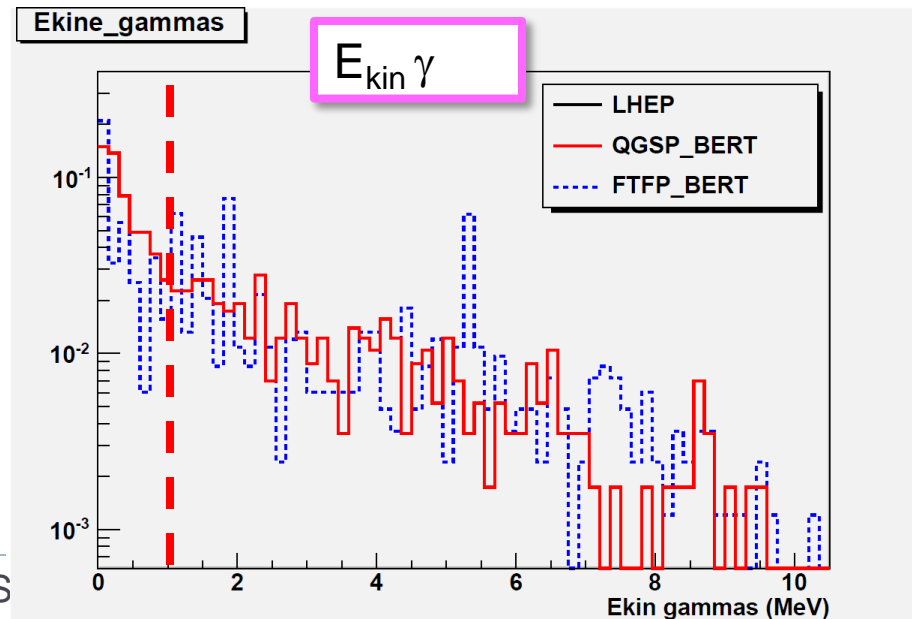
- ▶ Example: 10 GeV p on 1mm Al
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  - ▶ Particularly low  $E_{\text{kin}}$
  - ▶ No gammas from inelastic interactions in LHEP
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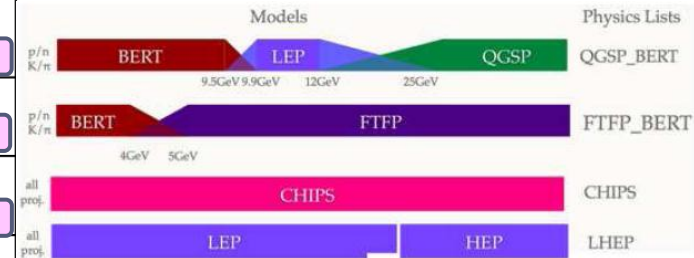


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# Hadronic Multiplicities: p/pbar, 1mm Al

<i>Part.</i>	<i>p</i> (GeV/ <i>c</i> )	LHEP		QGSP_BERT		FTFP_BERT	
		$\langle Mult \rangle$	RMS	$\langle Mult \rangle$	RMS	$\langle Mult \rangle$	RMS
<i>p</i>	1.	10.7	4.30	8.41	2.93	8.41	2.93
$\bar{p}$	1.	11.2	4.64	11.2	4.64	11.2	4.64
<i>p</i>	5.	14.07	5.09	13.31	6.53	13.55	6.38
$\bar{p}$	5.	14.3	5.54	14.3	5.54	14.3	5.54
<i>p</i>	10.	9.19	3.74	16.72	8.35	12.2	4.36
$\bar{p}$	10.	10.22	3.81	10.22	3.81	10.22	3.81
<i>p</i>	13.	10.2	3.89	10.43	4.02	12.53	4.67
$\bar{p}$	13.	11.25	4.18	11.25	4.18	11.25	4.18
<i>p</i>	100.	16.26	8.03	21.0	10.09	19.12	8.80
$\bar{p}$	100.	17.04	7.93	17.4	7.93	17.04	7.93



- ▶ Multiplicities vary with PL, as expected with energy/model ranges
  - ▶ Identical, e.g. QGSP PLs for  $<4\text{ GeV}$ , both 100% BERT
  - ▶ Up to 80% difference at 10 GeV between LHEP vs. QGSP\_BERT
    - ▶ Dominated by low energy gammas below our cut-offs
- ▶ pbar multiplicities **identical** for all PL at all energies
  - ▶ Same model used in all PL?

# Hadronic Multiplicities: protons, 5cm Al

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- ▶ Same observations on pbar with thicker targets

<i>Particle</i>	<i>p(GeV/c)</i>	LHEP		QGSP_BERT		FTFP_BERT	
		<i>&lt; Mult &gt;</i>	RMS	<i>&lt; Mult &gt;</i>	RMS	<i>&lt; Mult &gt;</i>	RMS
<i>p</i>	1.	10.66	4.17	8.27	3.12	8.27	3.12
<i>p̄</i>	1.	11.19	4.55	11.19	4.35	11.19	4.55
<i>p</i>	5.	14.20	5.34	13.97	6.80	13.38	6.68
<i>p̄</i>	5.	14.74	5.89	14.74	5.89	14.74	5.89
<i>p</i>	10.	9.51	3.61	17.08	8.31	12.54	4.10
<i>p̄</i>	10.	10.21	3.76	10.21	3.76	10.21	3.76
<i>p</i>	100.	16.45	7.83	20.19	9.81	19.67	8.45
<i>p̄</i>	100.	16.29	7.58	16.67	7.58	16.67	7.58

# Hadronic Multiplicities: $\pi^\pm$ , $K^\pm$ , 1mm Al

<i>Particle</i>	<i>p(GeV/c)</i>	LHEP		QGSP_BERT		FTFP_BERT	
		$\langle Mult \rangle$	RMS	$\langle Mult \rangle$	RMS	$\langle Mult \rangle$	RMS
$\pi^+$	1.	9.84	4.06	10.13	4.44	10.13	4.44
$\pi^-$	1.	9.40	3.82	10.05	4.39	10.5	4.39
$\pi^+$	5.	14.94	5.72	16.62	7.30	11.88	4.16
$\pi^-$	5.	13.92	5.56	16.43	7.41	12.03	4.4
$\pi^+$	10.	10.02	3.88	11.0	5.59	12.22	3.7
$\pi^-$	10.	10.16	4.01	10.96	5.74	12.25	3.72
$\pi^+$	13.	11.47	4.90	11.64	5.06	12.79	4.15
$\pi^-$	13.	11.47	4.47	10.94	4.55	12.73	4.29
$\pi^+$	100.	17.24	8.75	18.94	8.42	17.75	7.58
$\pi^-$	100.	16.98	7.58	18.63	8.46	17.83	7.44

<i>Particle</i>	<i>p(GeV/c)</i>	LHEP		QGSP_BERT		FTFP_BERT	
		$\langle Mult \rangle$	RMS	$\langle Mult \rangle$	RMS	$\langle Mult \rangle$	RMS
$k^+$	1.	9.6	3.66	8.905	3.36	8.905	3.36
$k^-$	1.	11.77	6.45	12.46	5.85	12.46	5.85
$k^+$	5.	14.59	6.12	15.12	6.72	12.53	5.63
$k^-$	5.	13.81	5.47	16.87	7.17	13.91	6.16
$k^+$	10.	9.76	3.76	17.6	8.67	11.37	3.27
$k^-$	10.	9.91	3.97	18.73	8.21	12.15	3.53
$k^+$	13.	10.51	4.21	10.59	4.35	11.94	3.40
$k^-$	13.	11.15	4.55	11.02	4.93	12.47	3.59
$k^+$	100.	16.78	8.07	17.29	8.40	18.07	7.17
$k^-$	100.	16.39	7.34	17.36	8.29	18.55	6.98

- ▶ Similar conclusions to proton case (models, ranges, not anti-particles)

# Summary

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- ▶ Interaction cross-sections studied standalone model, using LHCb framework
- ▶ Generally good agreement, some significant model differences
  - ▶ e.g. in multiplicity, but we are less sensitive in given  $E_{\text{kin}}$
  - ▶ or not, in case of  $p\bar{p}$
- ▶ Areas of particular interest to us: thin layers
  
- ▶ Near-term future plans
- ▶ Test the new PL QGSP\_BERT\_CHIPS with GEANT4 v9.4.px
  - ▶ Improved K cross sections
  - ▶ Improved inelastic models and cross sections, anti-nucleons and hyperons
  - ▶ Re-evaluate hadronic PLs with our production versions (see Gloria talk Fri.)
  - ▶ Decision to adopting new PLs by end of 2011
  
- ▶ Study interaction lengths using data
  - ▶ Use partially reconstructed decays, daughter is reconstructed in VELO
  - ▶ The momentum can be deduced from constraints

- Absorption of hadrons give large uncertainty on reconstruction efficiency
  - Distance up to RICH2: 20% of  $\lambda_I$
  - Uncertainty on material budget 10%
  - $\rightarrow (1-e^{-0.2}) \cdot 0.1 = 1.8\%$  uncertainty per track
  - Main systematic limitation for cross section and BR measurements
- Need to improve knowledge on the absorption length (i.e. material budget)

## First step:

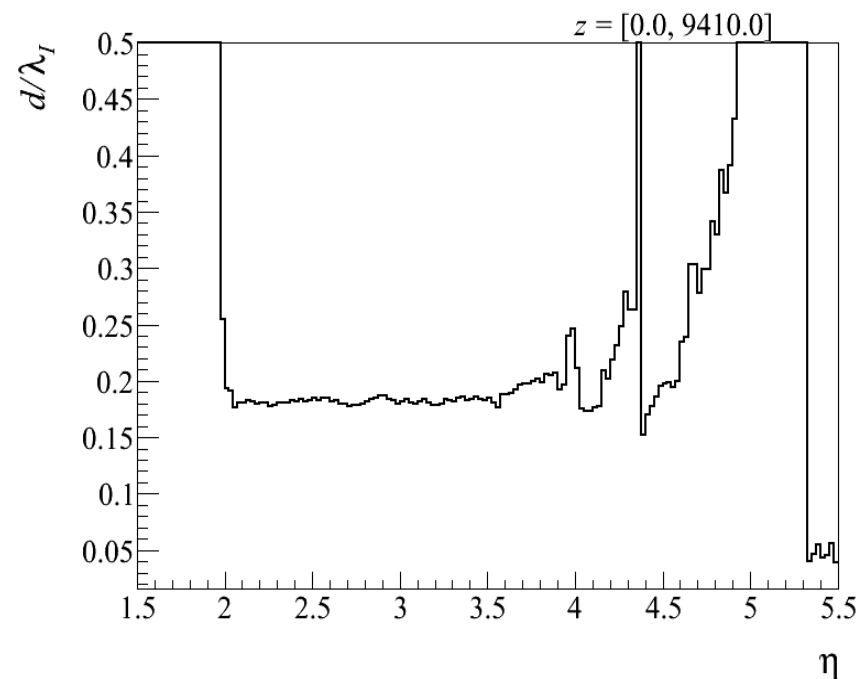
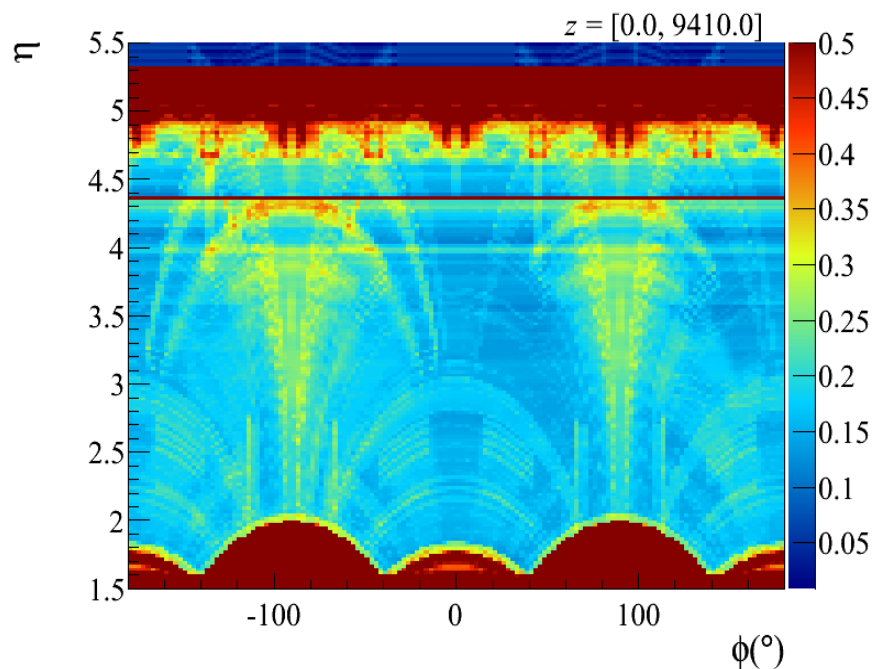
- Made plots of material in terms of  $\lambda_I$
- Assumed hadronic interaction length for high-p neutrons (PDG).
  - Simple formula used (from Material class)
  - Absorption depends on p, particle type and difference particle – anti-particle

$$\lambda_I = \frac{k \sqrt[3]{N}}{\rho}$$

## Second step:

- Count MCParticles with hadronic interaction in MC simulation
  - Vertices for kaons and pions: hadronic interactions, decays and delta rays

# Material scan in $\lambda_1$ (1<sup>st</sup> step – MC only)



- Peak at  $\eta = 4.38$  comes from the 25 mrad conical beam pipe inside RICH1
- Between  $2 < \eta < 4.8$  the material amounts to 20% of an absorption length
- Competition between decays and hadronic interactions (esp. low  $p$ )
- Work in progress (for those hungry for data/MC comparisons)



# Backup

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# Hadronic $\sigma$ , p/pbar on 1mm Al

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<i>Particle</i>	<i>p(GeV/c)</i>	$P_{int}^{inel}(LHEP)$	$P_{int}^{inel}(QGSP\_BERT)$	$P_{int}^{inel}(FTFP\_BERT)$
<i>p</i>	1.	$0.0022 \pm 0.0001$	$0.0024 \pm 0.0001$	$0.0024 \pm 0.0001$
$\bar{p}$	1.	$0.0078 \pm 0.0003$	$0.0078 \pm 0.0003$	$0.0078 \pm 0.0003$
<i>p</i>	5.	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$
$\bar{p}$	5.	$0.0042 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0042 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0042 \pm 0.0002$
<i>p</i>	10.	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$
$\bar{p}$	10.	$0.0035 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0035 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0035 \pm 0.0002$
<i>p</i>	13.	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$
$\bar{p}$	13.	$0.0033 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0033 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0033 \pm 0.0002$
<i>p</i>	100.	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$
$\bar{p}$	100.	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$

# $\pi^\pm$ hadronic $\sigma$ on 1mm Al

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$\pi^+$	1.	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$
$\pi^-$	1.	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0027 \pm 0.0002$
$\pi^+$	5.	$0.0021 \pm 0.0001$	$0.0022 \pm 0.0001$	$0.0022 \pm 0.0001$
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Inelastic cross-sections, very similar for all PL studied

# $K^\pm$ cross-sections, on 1mm Al

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<i>Particle</i>	<i>p(GeV/c)</i>	$P_{int}^{tot}$	$P_{int}^{el}$	$P_{int}^{inel}$
$K^+$	1.	$0.0026 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0013 \pm 0.0001$	$0.0013 \pm 0.0001$
$K^-$	1.	$0.0050 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0019 \pm 0.0001$	$0.0031 \pm 0.0002$
$K^+$	5.	$0.0018 \pm 0.0001$	$0.0003 \pm 0.0001$	$0.0014 \pm 0.0001$
$K^-$	5.	$0.0024 \pm 0.0002$	$0.0003 \pm 0.0001$	$0.0020 \pm 0.0001$
$K^+$	10.	$0.0019 \pm 0.0001$	$0.00028 \pm 0.00005$	$0.0016 \pm 0.0001$
$K^-$	10.	$0.0023 \pm 0.0002$	$0.00028 \pm 0.00005$	$0.0020 \pm 0.0001$
$K^+$	13.	$0.0019 \pm 0.0001$	$0.00028 \pm 0.00005$	$0.0016 \pm 0.0001$
$K^-$	13.	$0.0023 \pm 0.0002$	$0.00026 \pm 0.00005$	$0.0020 \pm 0.0001$
$K^+$	100.	$0.0021 \pm 0.0001$	$0.00023 \pm 0.00005$	$0.0018 \pm 0.0001$
$K^-$	100.	$0.0021 \pm 0.0001$	$0.00021 \pm 0.00005$	$0.0019 \pm 0.0001$

Same cross-sections for all PL studied