

Fast Data-Driven simulation of Cherenkov Detectors Using Generative Adversarial Networks

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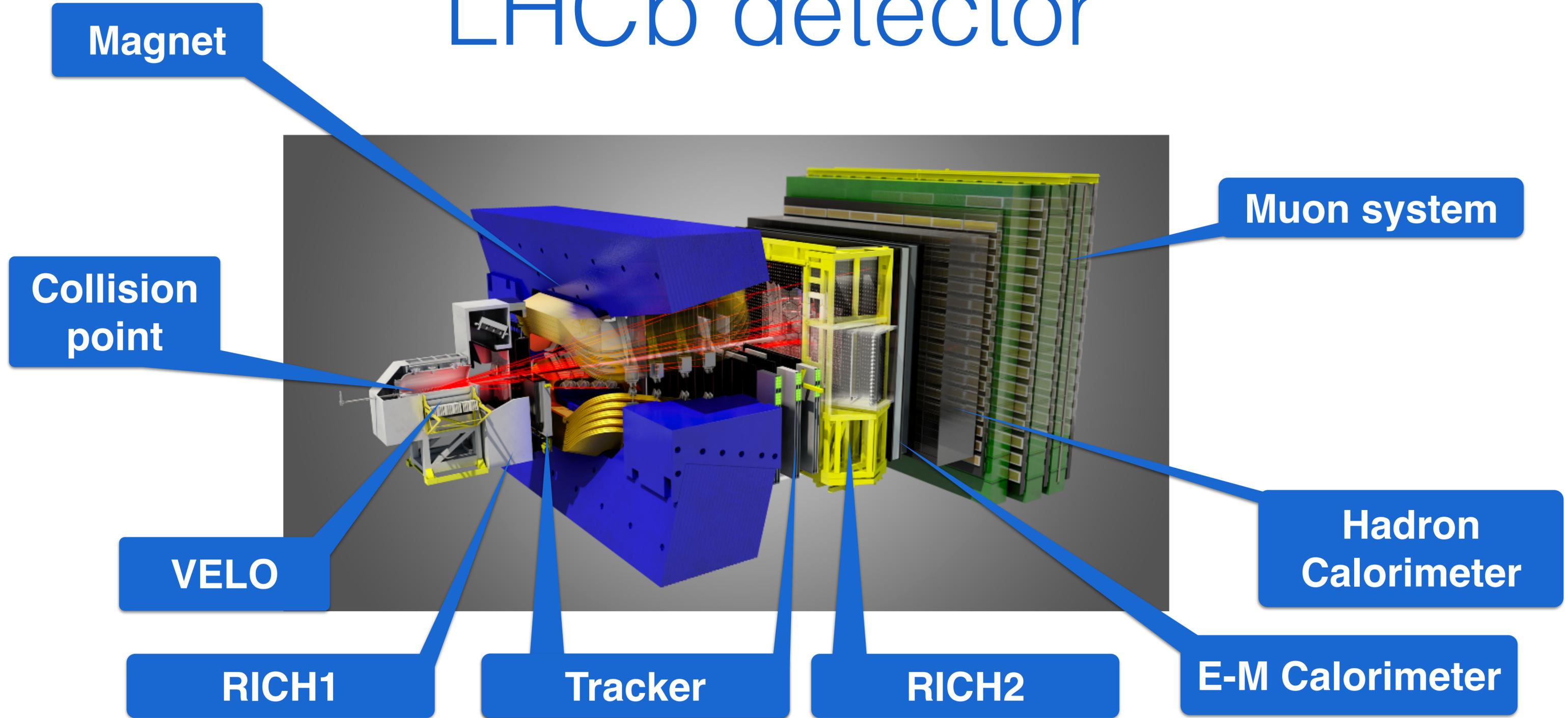
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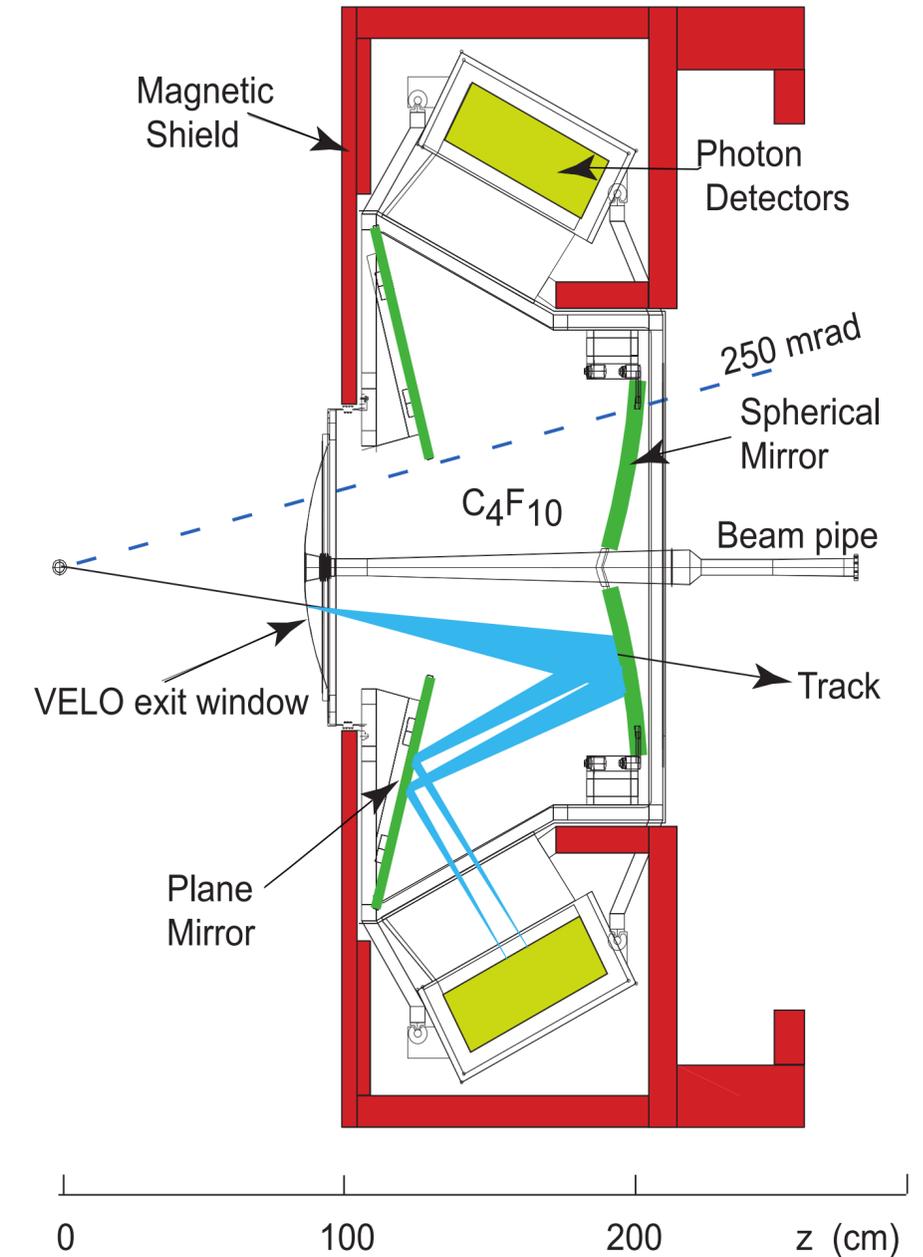
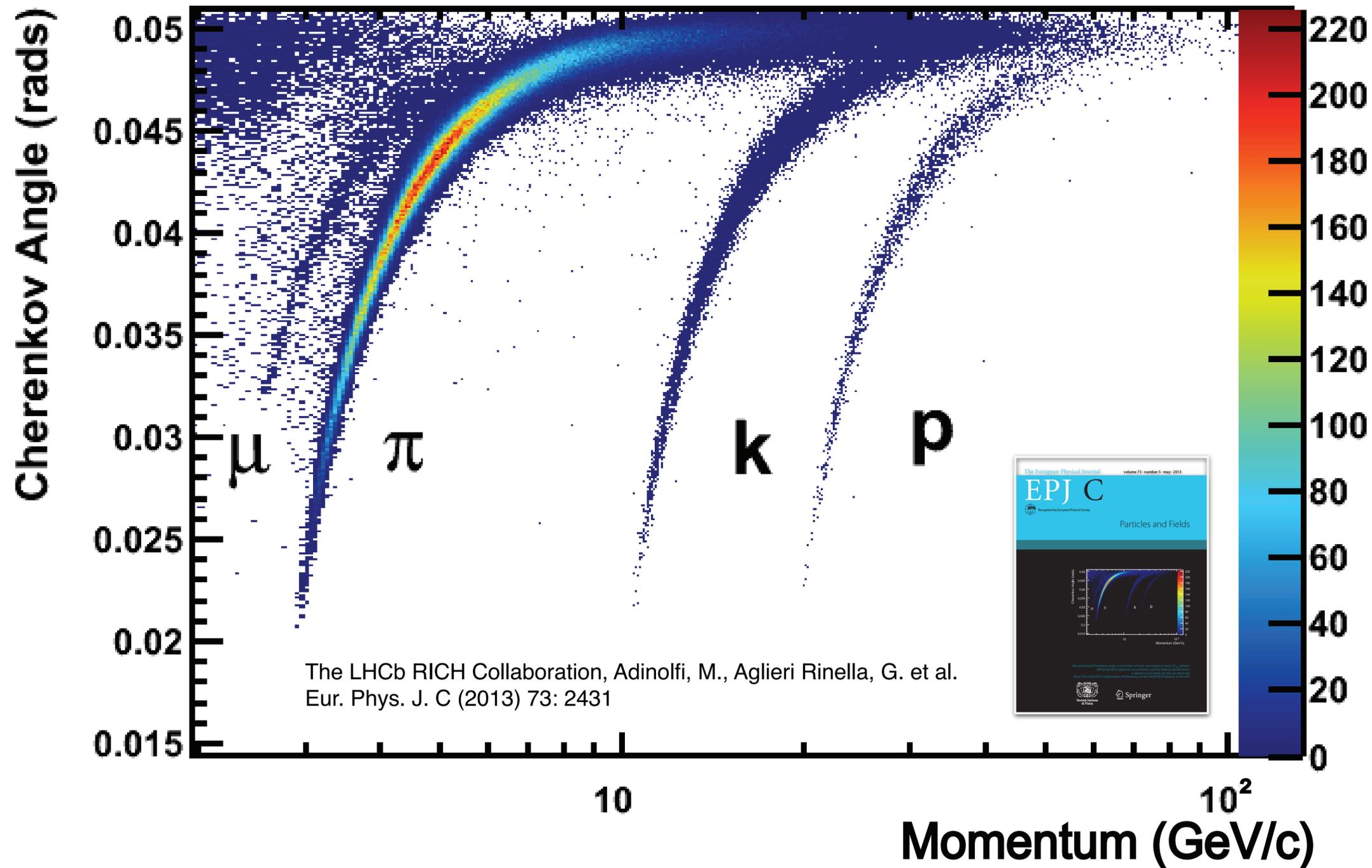
Outline

- Particle identification with Cherenkov detectors at LHCb
 - Fast simulation set-up
- Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)
 - Basic architecture
 - JS and Wasserstein metrics and problems with them
 - Cramér and energy distances
- Results and discussion

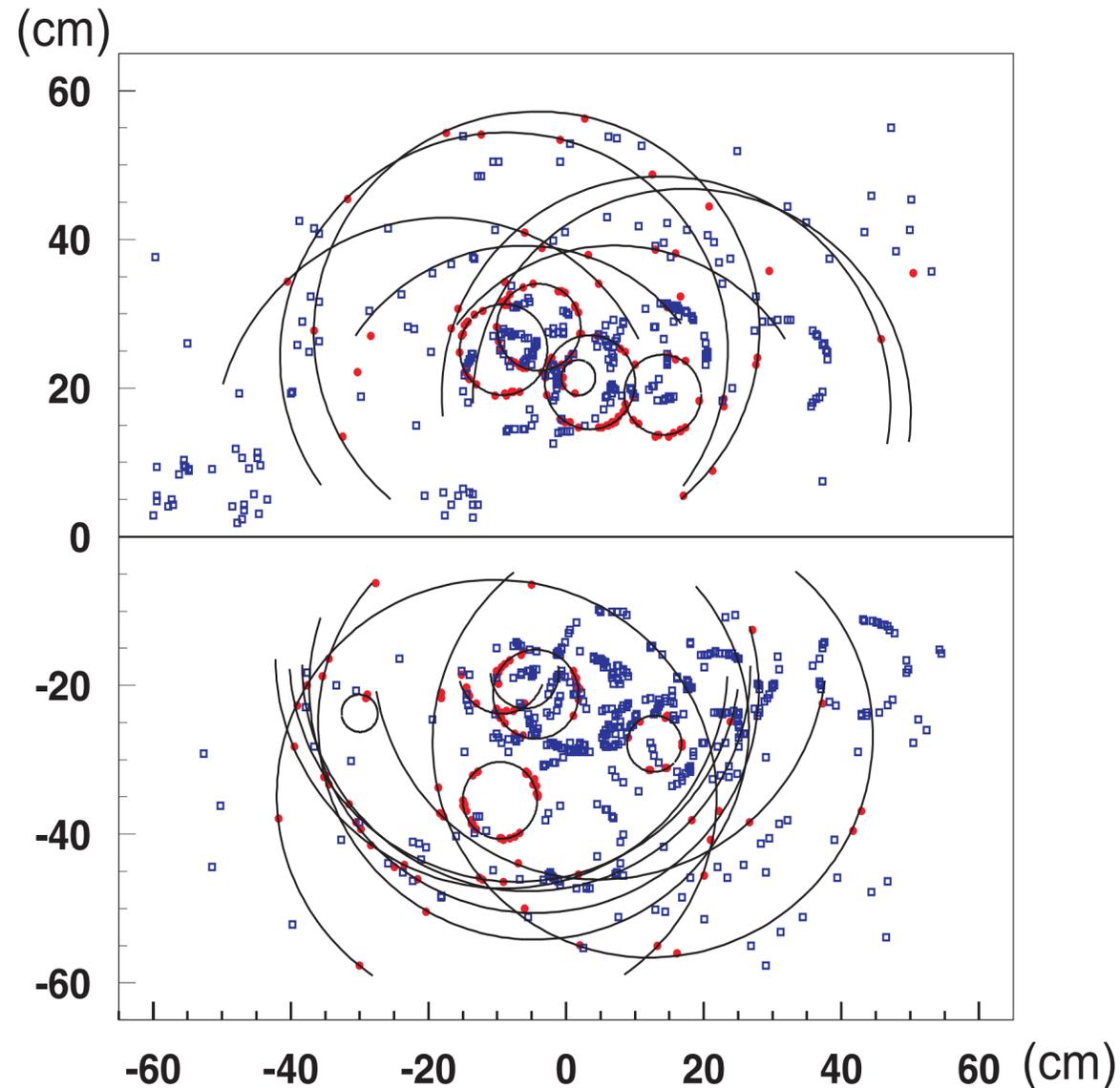
LHCb detector



Ring Imaging Cherenkov Detectors (RICH)



Information from RICH detectors



- PID with RICH is done with the maximum likelihood method
 - $\mathcal{L}(t_1, \dots, t_N)$ – likelihood to observe a given picture, as a function of **all track PIDs**
 - t_i – hypothesized particle type for track i
 - A hypothesis $(\underline{t}_1, \dots, \underline{t}_N)$ maximizing \mathcal{L} is searched for
- For each track i , for each $x \in \{K, \mu, e, p, \text{below threshold}\}$, quantities **DLL x** are then calculated as:

$$\log \mathcal{L}(t_k = \underline{t}_k, k \neq i; t_i = x) - \log \mathcal{L}(t_k = \underline{t}_k, k \neq i; t_i = \pi)$$

RICH simulation

- Accurate RICH simulation involves:
 - Tracing the particles through the radiators and delta-electron generation
 - Delta-electrons contribute to Cherenkov light emissions
 - Cherenkov light generation
 - Photon propagation, reflection, refraction and scattering
 - Hybrid Photon Detector (photo-cathode + silicon pixel) simulation
- All this takes time & resources
- Given the growing demand on the number of simulated events, accurate simulation becomes unfeasible

RICH fast simulation

- A possible solution:
 - Bypass all those steps from Cherenkov light generation up to the high-level likelihood parameters (DLLs)
 - Learn the distribution of DLLs for given track parameters and sample from it, $P(\text{DLLs} \mid \langle \text{track params} \rangle)$

[Derkach et al, NIMA 2019 \(01\) 031](#)

Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)

- Random variable z
- Two deterministic functions (neural nets)
 - generator $G(x, z)$
 - discriminator $D(x, y)$
- Generator maps (x, z) to y^{gen}
- Discriminator distinguishes between (x, y^{gen}) and (x, y^{real})
- Training step («competition» between the two nets):
 - train discriminator to improve (x, y^{gen}) and (x, y^{real}) separation
 - train generator to increase the discriminator's error rate

x - input variables
 y - target variables

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y

x

Discriminator metric

- Some of the options for the discriminator metric:
 - Binary cross-entropy between the real and generated samples
 - ▶ Equilibrium when Jensen–Shannon divergence is minimized
 - ▶ Problematic for distributions with different support; mode collapse problems
 - Wasserstein (aka Earth Mover's) distance
 - ▶ Discriminator => «Critic» (evaluates the metric)
 - ▶ Naturally solves the non-equal support and mode collapse problems
 - ▶ Suffers from biased gradients

[arXiv:1406.2661](https://arxiv.org/abs/1406.2661)
[arXiv:1701.07875](https://arxiv.org/abs/1701.07875)

GAN (Cramér / energy distance)

- Cramér distance between distributions P and Q :

$$l_2^2(P, Q) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (F_P(x) - F_Q(x))^2 dx$$

- F_P and F_Q are CDFs
- This is (1/2 times) the 1-dimensional case of the Energy distance:

$$\mathcal{E}(X, Y) := 2 \mathbb{E} \|X - Y\|_2 - \mathbb{E} \|X - X'\|_2 - \mathbb{E} \|Y - Y'\|_2$$

$X, X' \sim P$ and $Y, Y' \sim Q$

- A GAN using this metric preserves all the nice properties of Wasserstein GAN, while solving the biased gradients problem

RICH fast simulation

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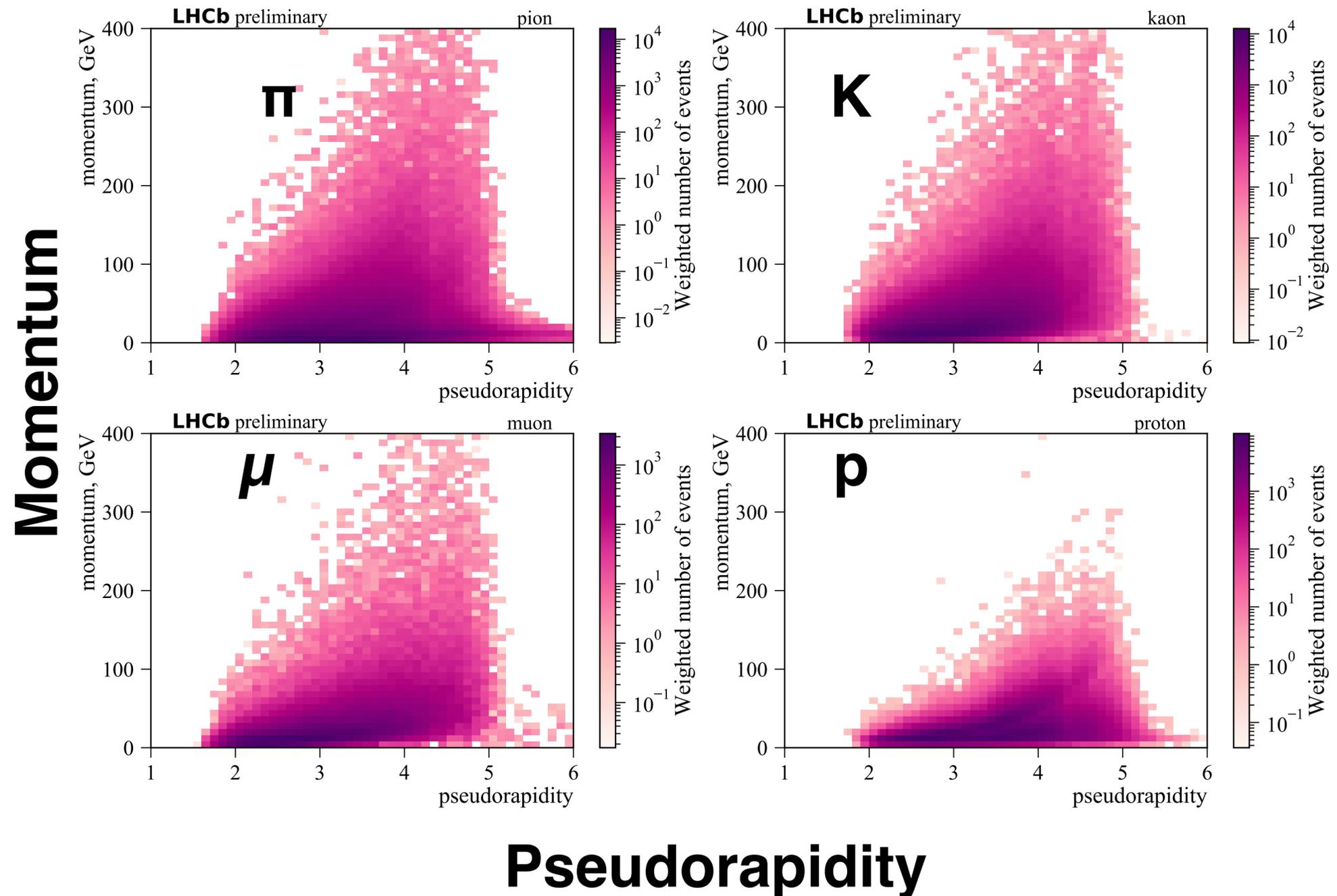
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- Training on real data (calibration channels)
 - using sPlot technique¹ to extract signal distributions
 - loss function is weighted (with possibly negative weights)

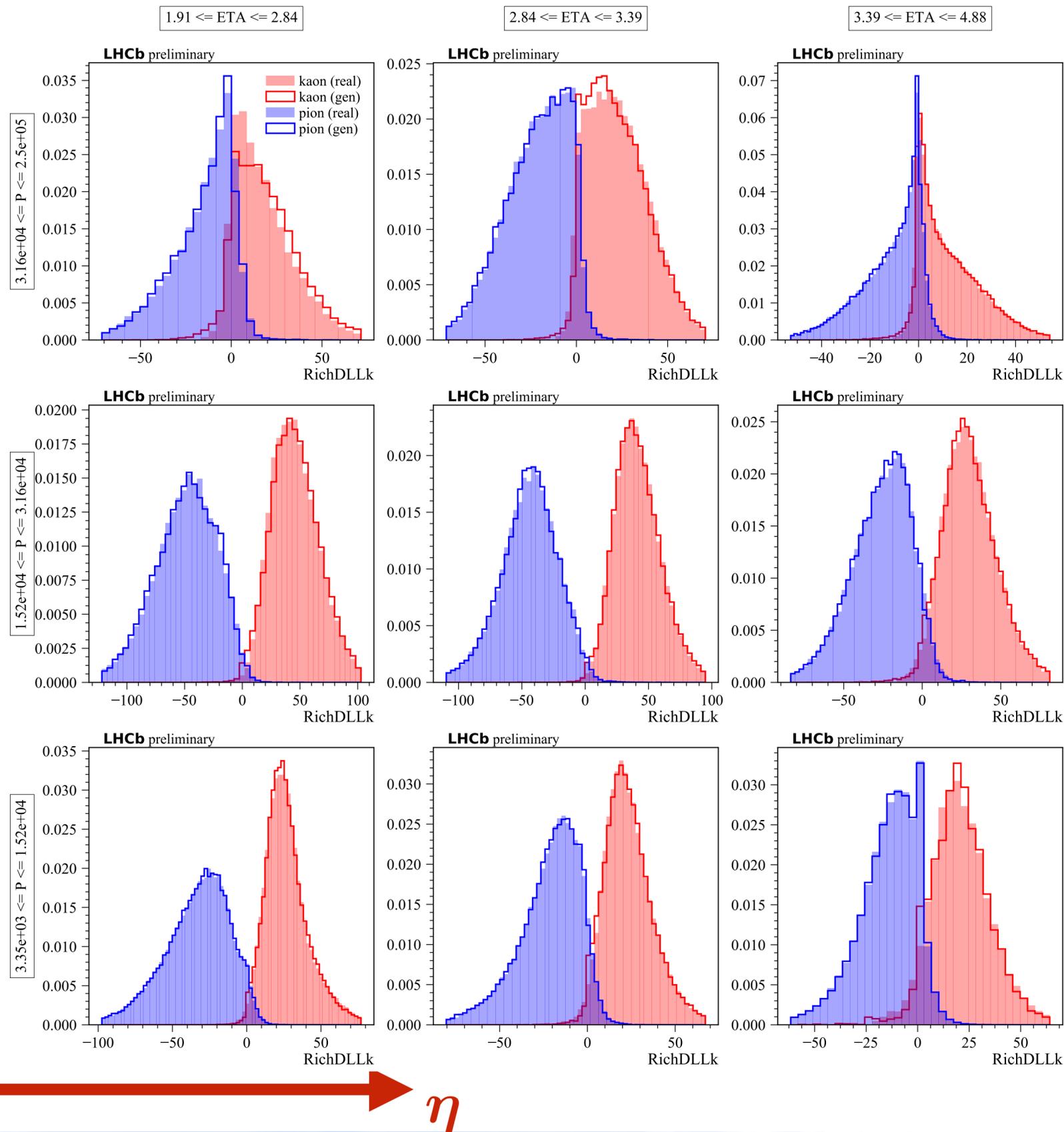
¹Pivk, Muriel et al. Nucl.Instrum.Meth.A 555 (2005) 356-369

Implementation details and input parameter distributions

- 10 hidden fully-connected layers for both generator and discriminator
 - 128 neurons each
 - ReLU activation
- 64-dimensional latent space (noise shape)
- 256-dimensional discriminator output
- 15 discriminator updates per 1 generator update
- RMSProp optimizer, exp decaying learning rate



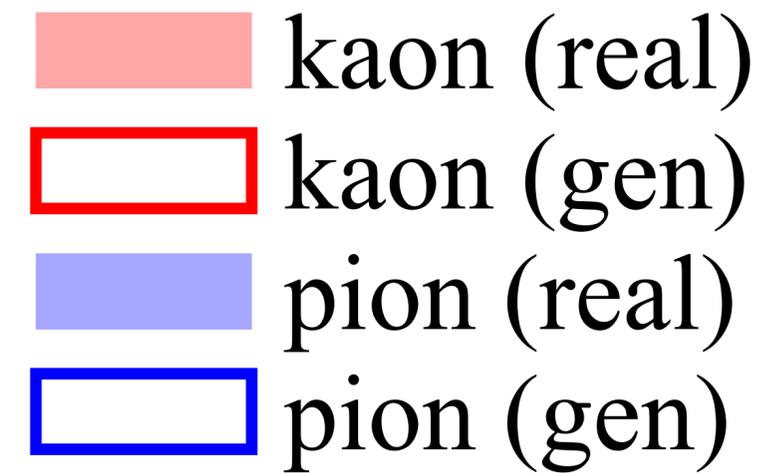
RichDLLk (π vs K)



- kaon (real)
- kaon (gen)
- pion (real)
- pion (gen)

3x3 bin plot over full P-ETA range

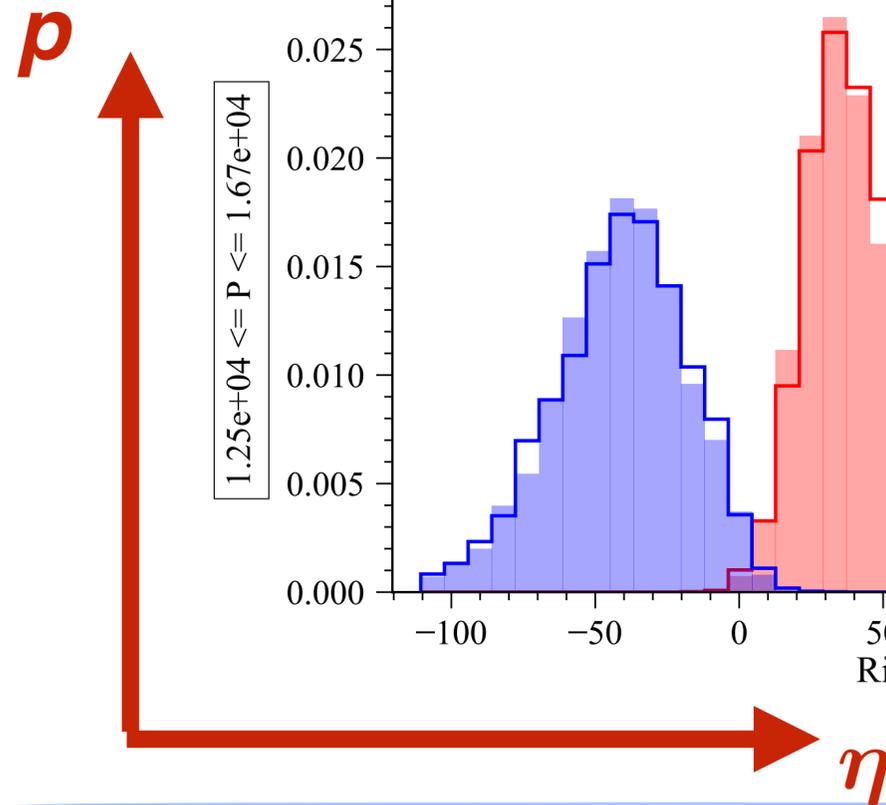
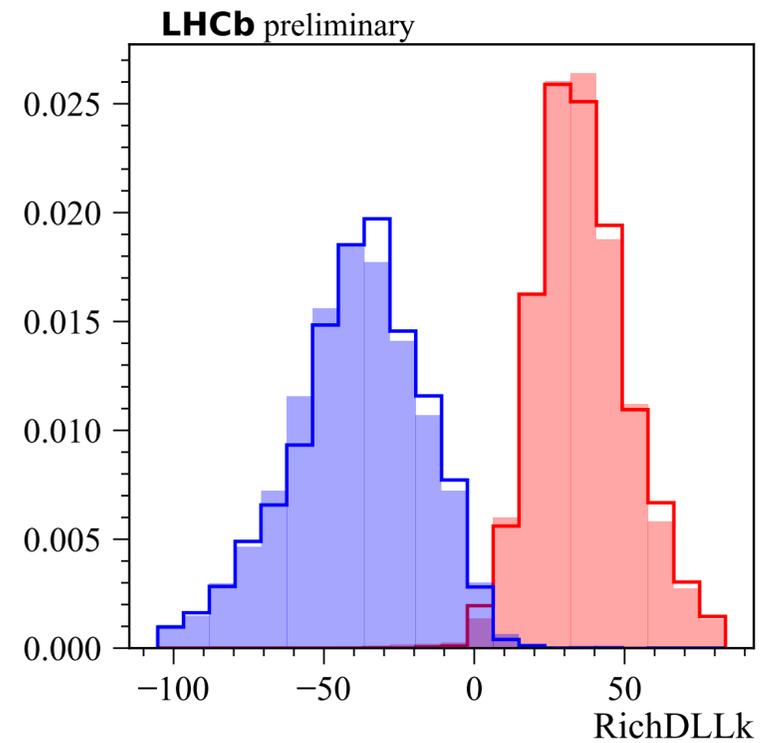
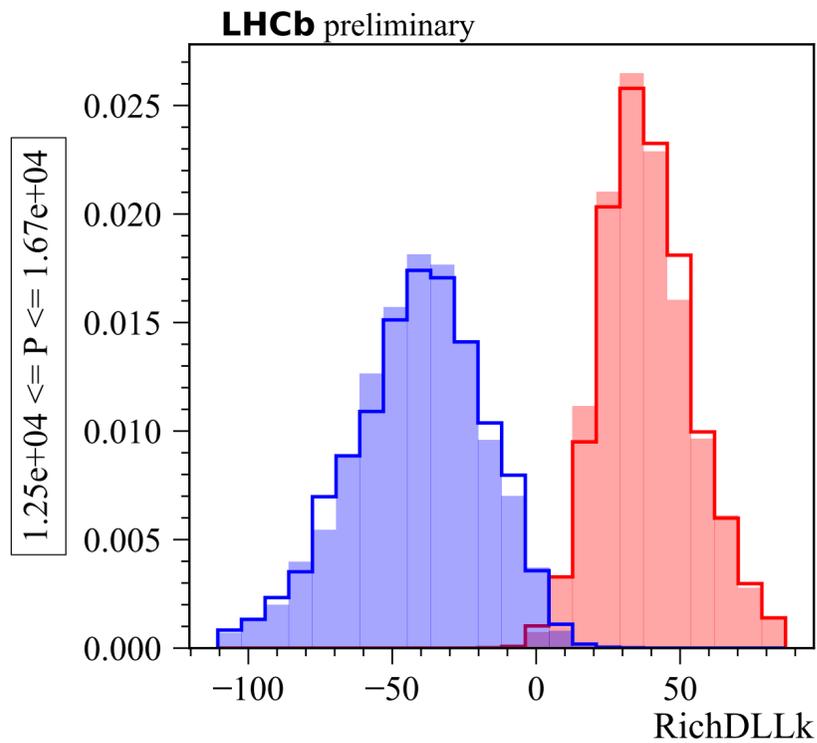
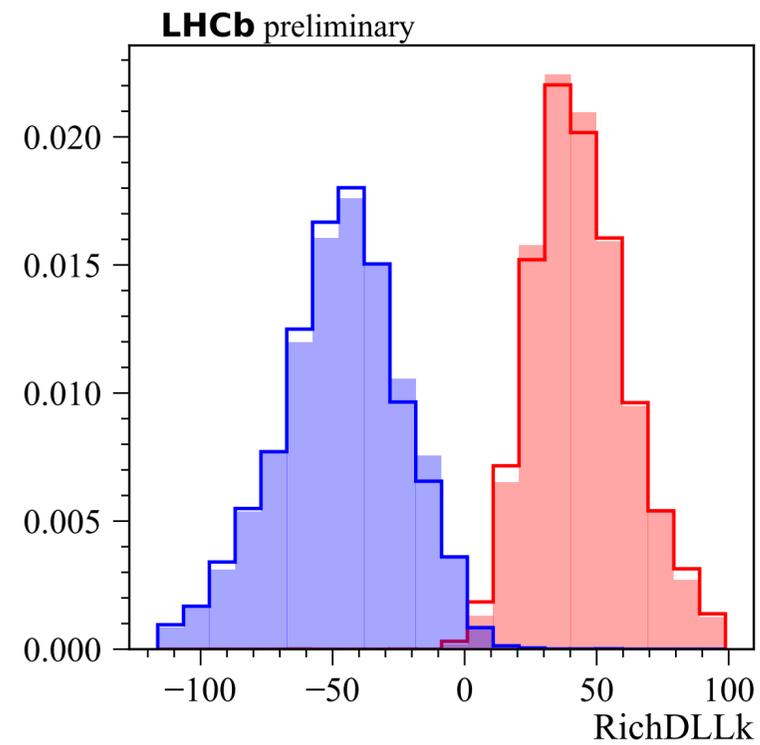
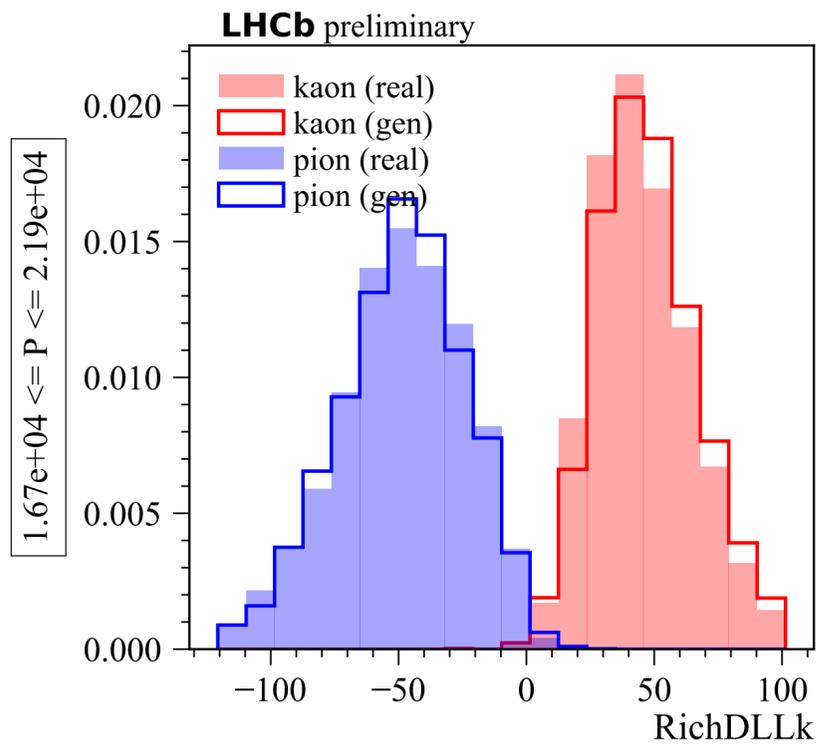
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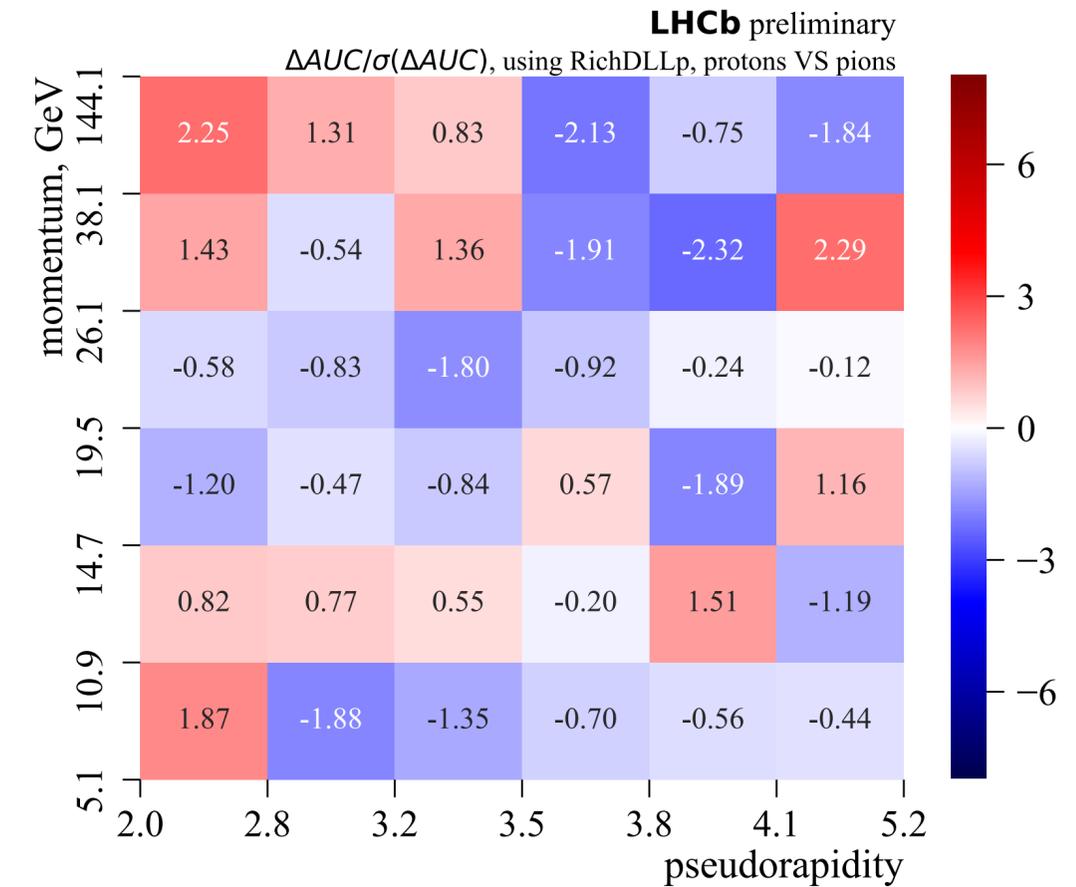
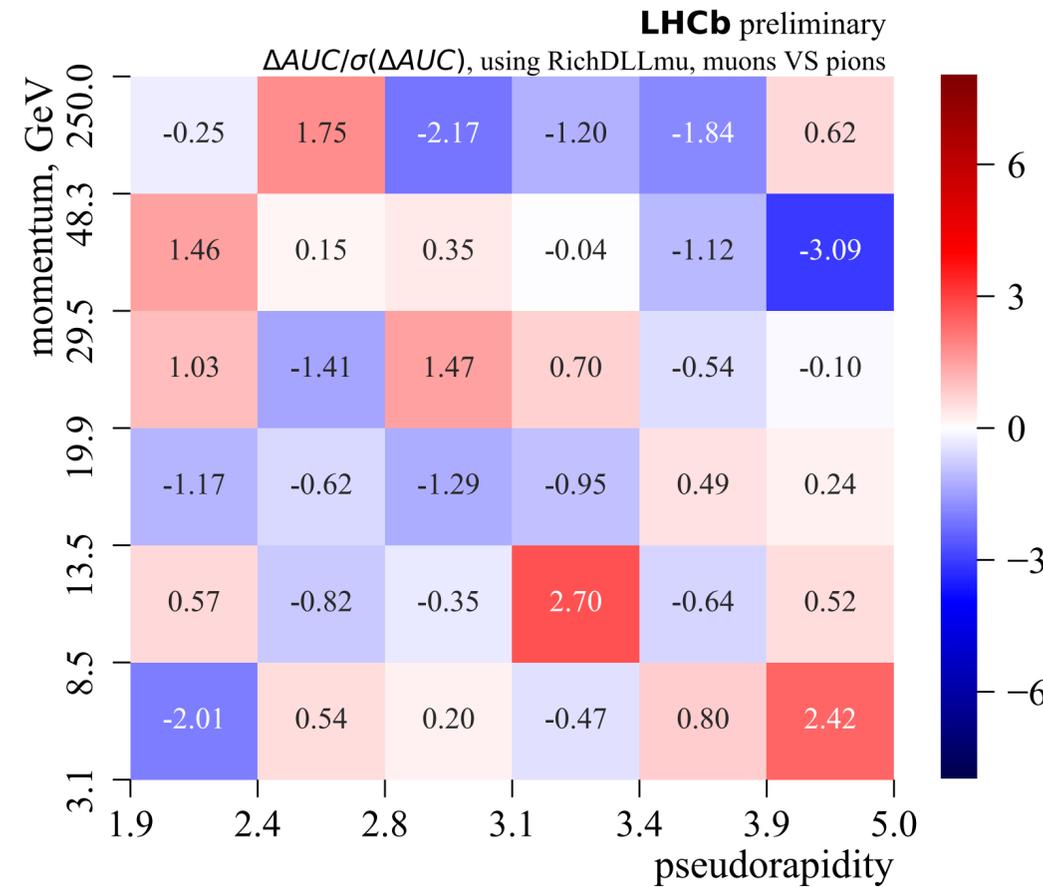
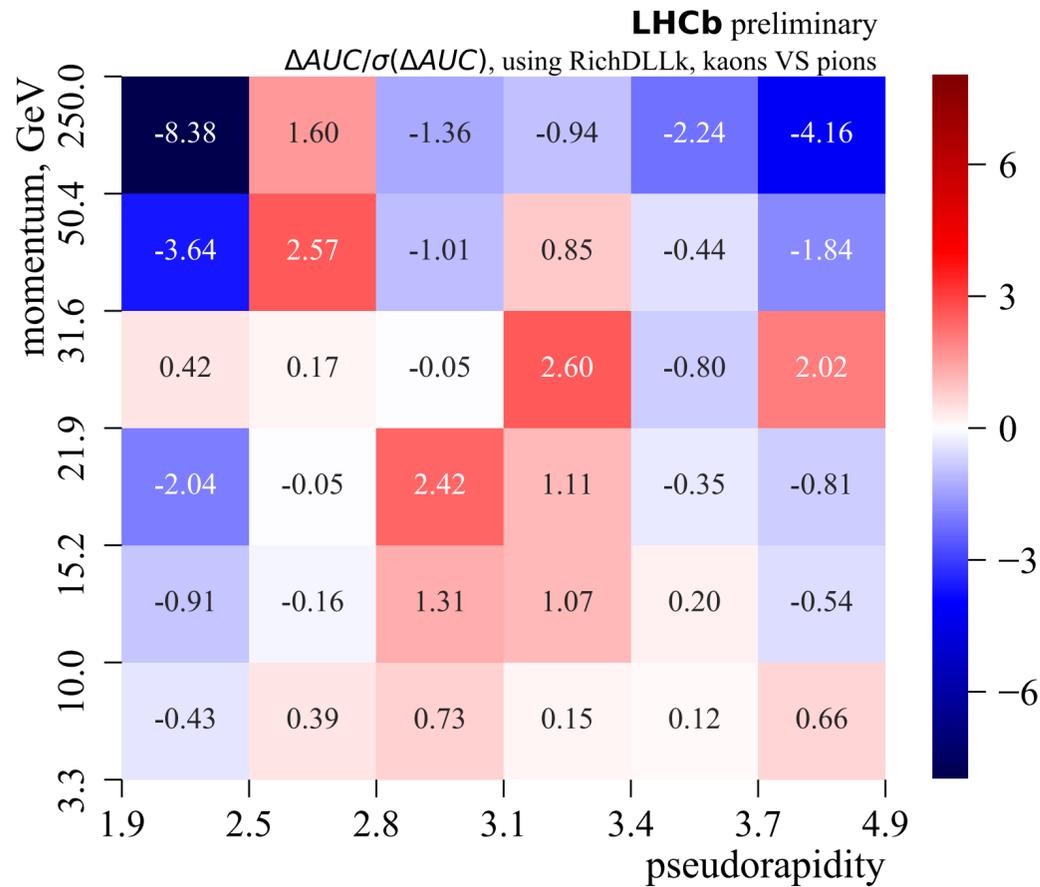
zoomed in to the most populated region

$2.7 \leq \text{ETA} \leq 2.91$

$2.91 \leq \text{ETA} \leq 3.11$



Differences between AUCs for real and generated samples (divided by error)



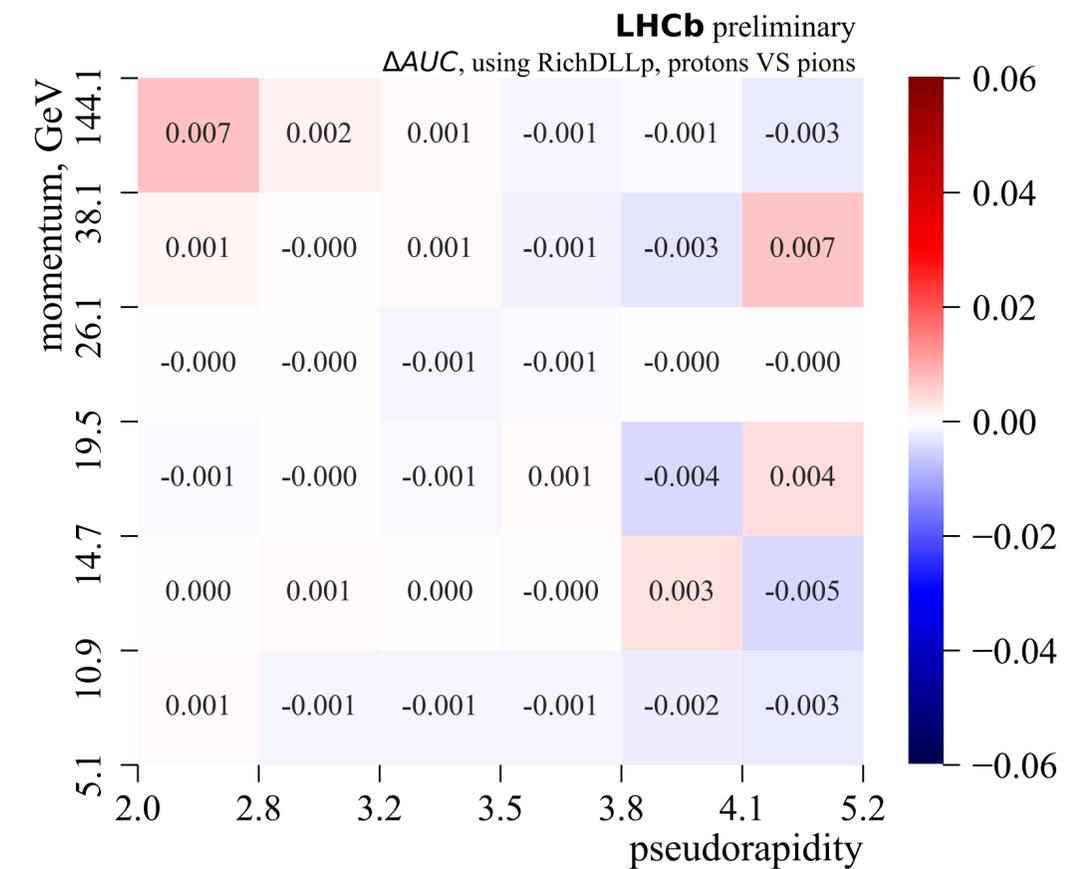
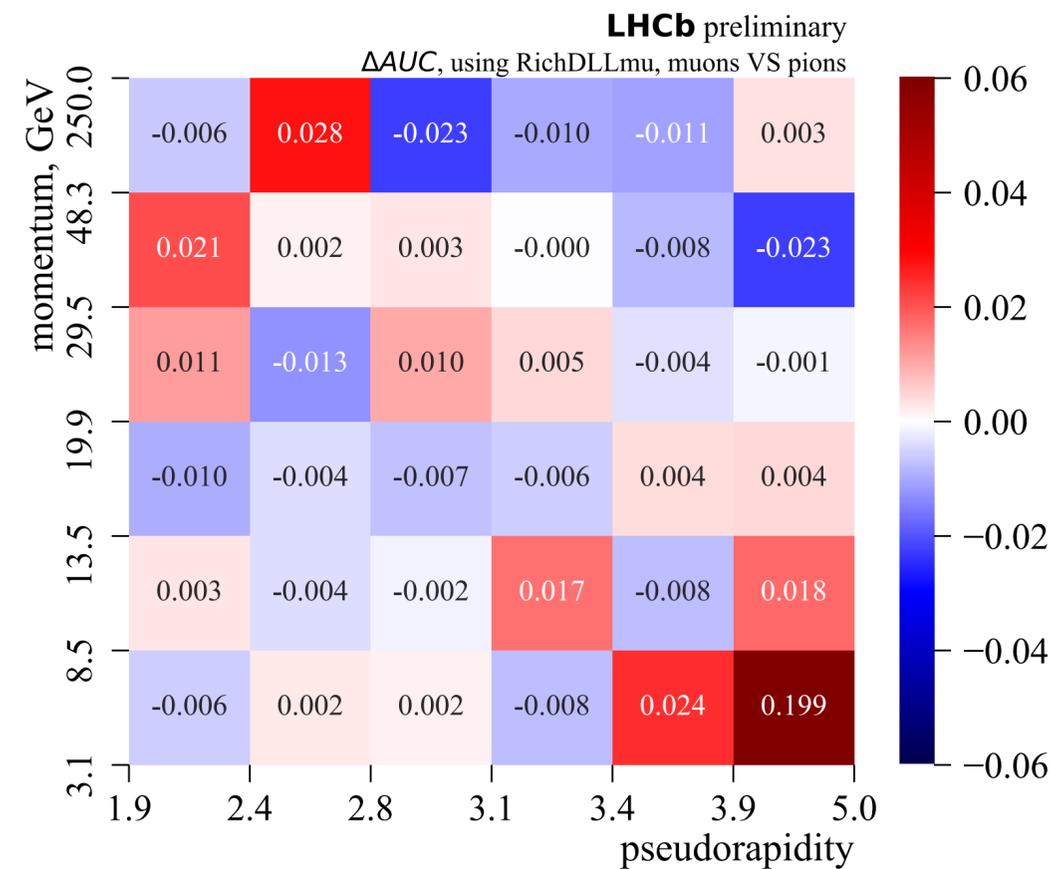
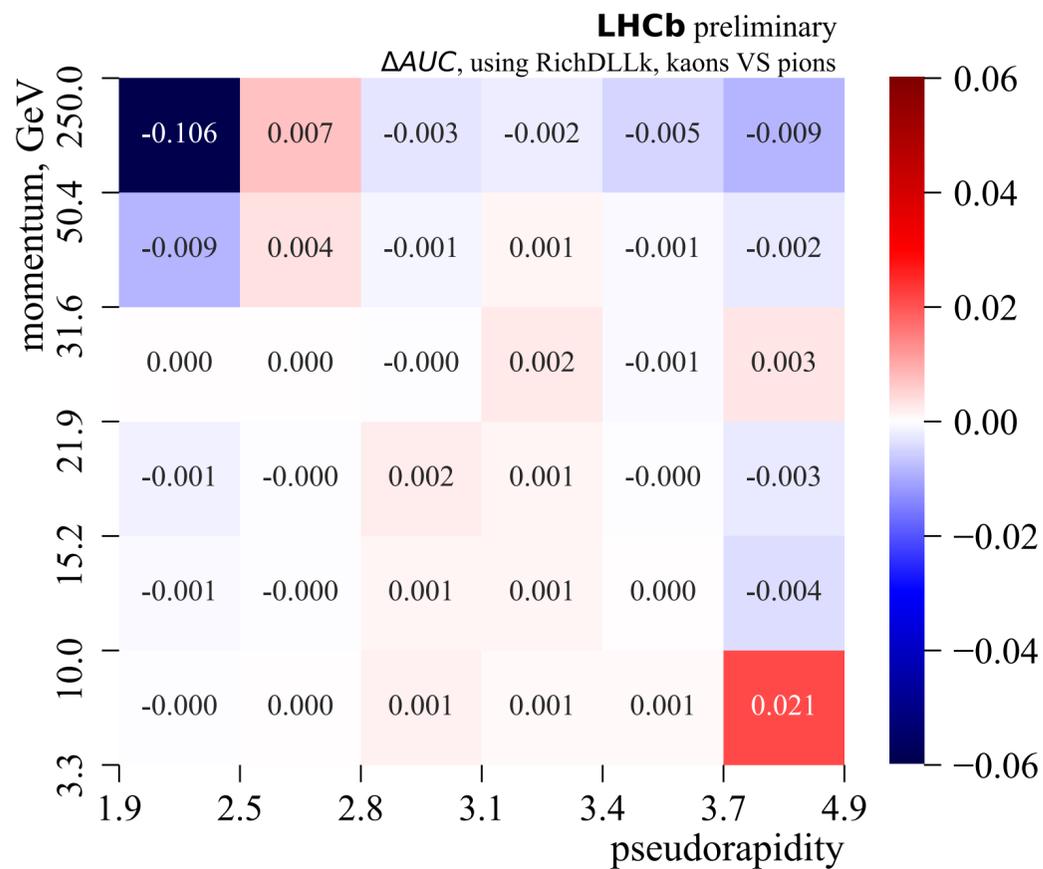
K vs π , using RichDLLk

μ vs π , using RichDLLmu

p vs π , using RichDLLp

- Errors estimated using bootstrap technique
- Most differences are within just a few sigmas, larger deviations at low-stat regions

Differences between AUCs for real and generated samples (absolute, generated – real)



K vs π , using RichDLLk

μ vs π , using RichDLLmu

p vs π , using RichDLLp

- Absolute differences between AUCs are mostly in the 0.001-0.01 range

Summary

- GANs are a promising tool for fast simulation models
- Can be trained in a background-contaminated environment, with the help of sPlot technique
 - negative weights don't cause divergencies in our experiments
- Our model is doing well judging by the looks of generated vs real distributions
 - Some imperfections seen in the low-stat regions
 - AUC differences look reasonable
- Ongoing work to implement our model within the fast simulation framework of LHCb
 - Looking forward to evaluate our model in a real analysis environment

Backup

GAN (JS)

- Possible discriminator and generator losses – binary cross-entropy:

$$\min_G \max_D V(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})} [\log D(\mathbf{x})] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim p_z(\mathbf{z})} [\log(1 - D(G(\mathbf{z})))]$$

real samples

discriminator NN

generator NN

noise samples

[arXiv:1406.2661](https://arxiv.org/abs/1406.2661)

- This leads to equilibrium when Jensen-Shannon divergence between real and generated samples is minimized
- Problems:
 - vanishing gradients when discriminator too powerful
 - mode collapse (generating only a subset of the target distribution)

GAN (Wasserstein)

[arXiv:1701.07875](https://arxiv.org/abs/1701.07875)

- Another possible metric: Wasserstein distance (Earth Mover's distance)

$$W(\mathbb{P}_r, \mathbb{P}_g) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(\mathbb{P}_r, \mathbb{P}_g)} \mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim \gamma} [\|x - y\|]$$

- γ – «optimal transport plan»
- This should solve the mode collapse and vanishing gradients problems
- Solution may not be optimal due to biased gradients (see [arXiv:1705.10743](https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.10743))