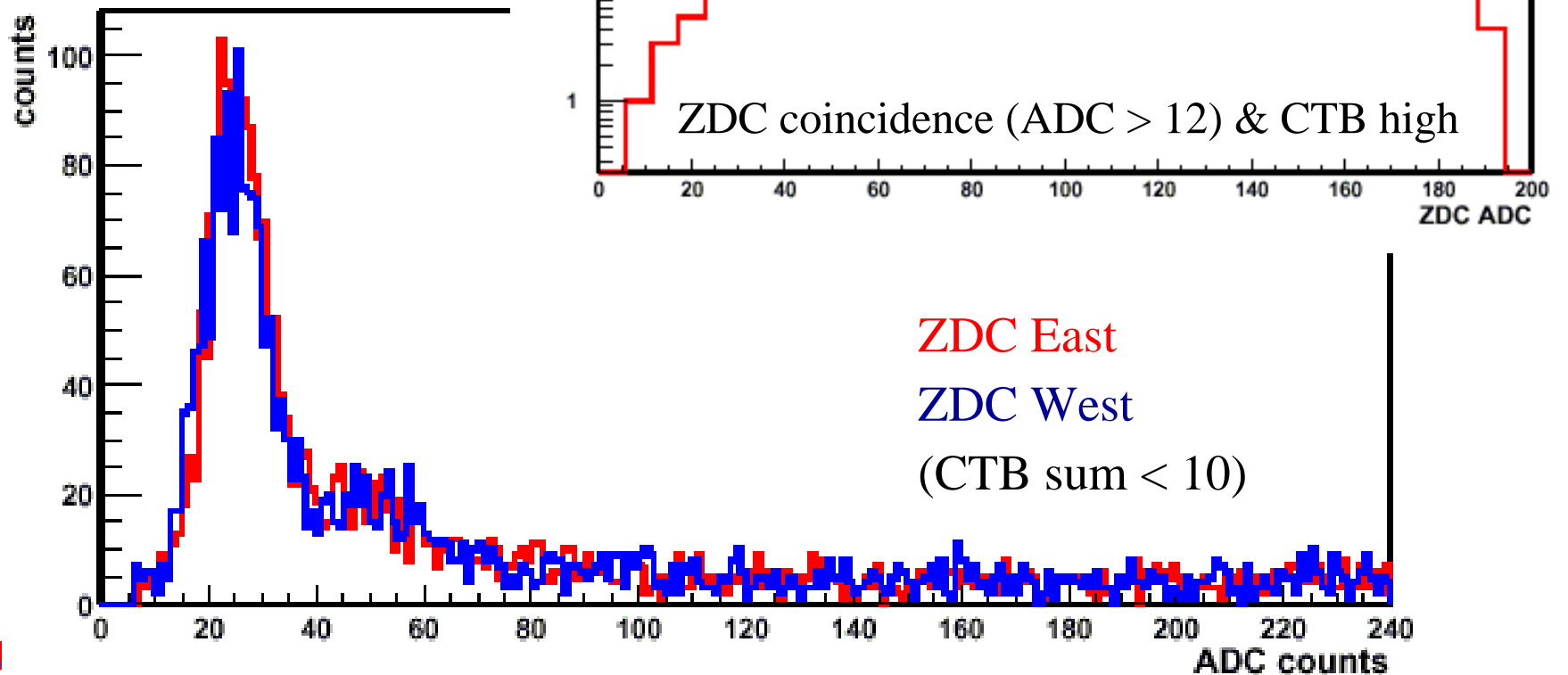


# Zero Degree Calorimeter

- ZDC's common to all RHIC experiments
- single neutron peak:
  - luminosity measure
- centrality measure
- low-level trigger



# Data Taking: Summer Run 2000

## RHIC Operation:

- ◆ “rose to the occasion”, great job !!!
- ◆ reached 10% design luminosity

## Magnetic Field:

- ◆ half field: 0.25 T

## Detectors:

- ◆ TPC (100% uptime), RICH, 1 ladder SVT, ZDC, CTB

## Trigger:

- ◆ L0 & few days L3 (  $|z\text{-vertex}| < 80$  cm)
  - 844k central trigger 15% of  $\sigma_{\text{geo}}$  (331k were 5% of  $\sigma_{\text{geo}}$ )
  - 761k minimum bias
  - 20k peripheral ( $\gamma\gamma$ )

## DAQ:

- ◆ bandwidth to RCF ( $\sim 20$  MB/s)



# L0 Trigger for First Run

## Summer 2000 Triggers

- “Minimum Bias”

ZDC East and West thresholds set to lower edge of single neutron peak.

REQUIRE:

Coincidence ZDC East and West

- “Central”

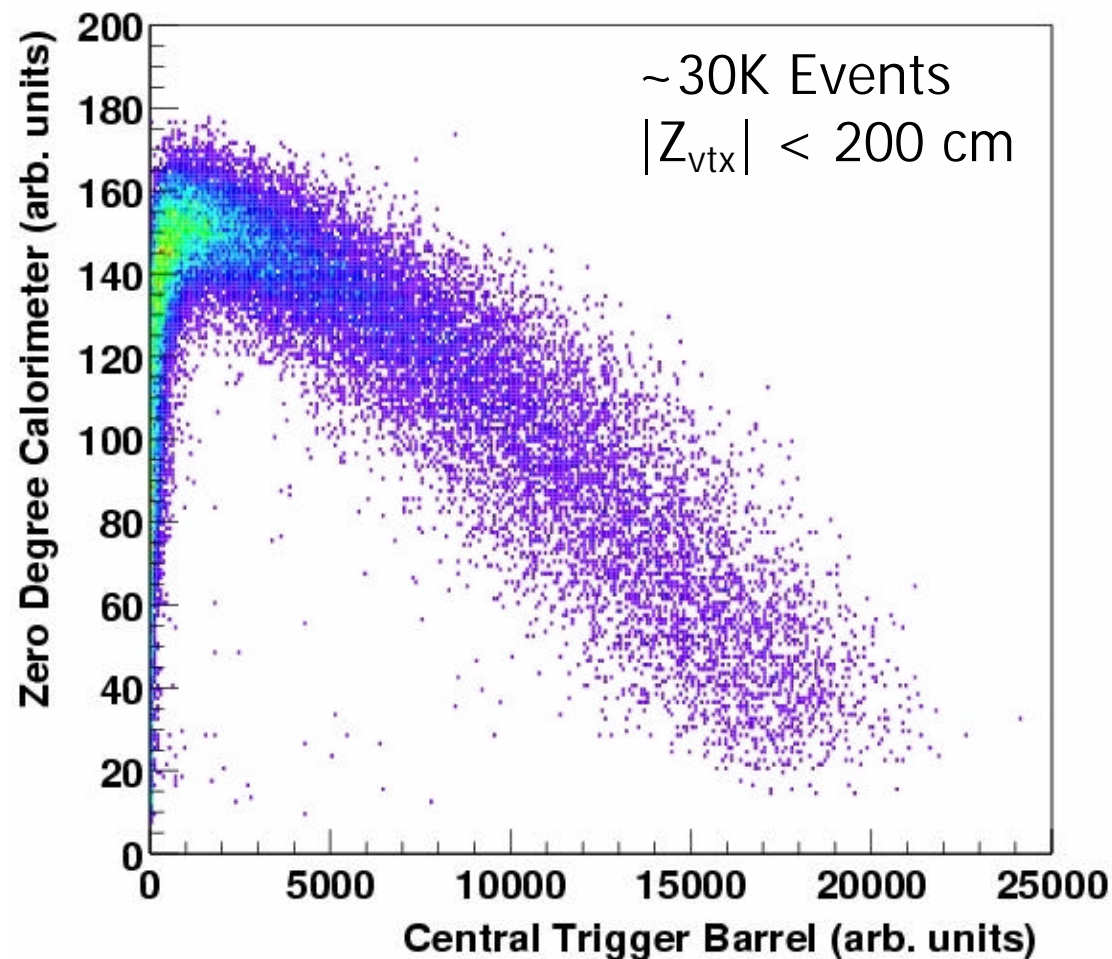
CTB threshold set to upper 15%

REQUIRE:

Min. Bias + CTB over threshold

- “Peripheral”

- Back-to-Back track pairs: one hit on N-side and one on S-side of CTB
- REQUIRE: 1 or 2 pairs of back-to-back tracks ONLY

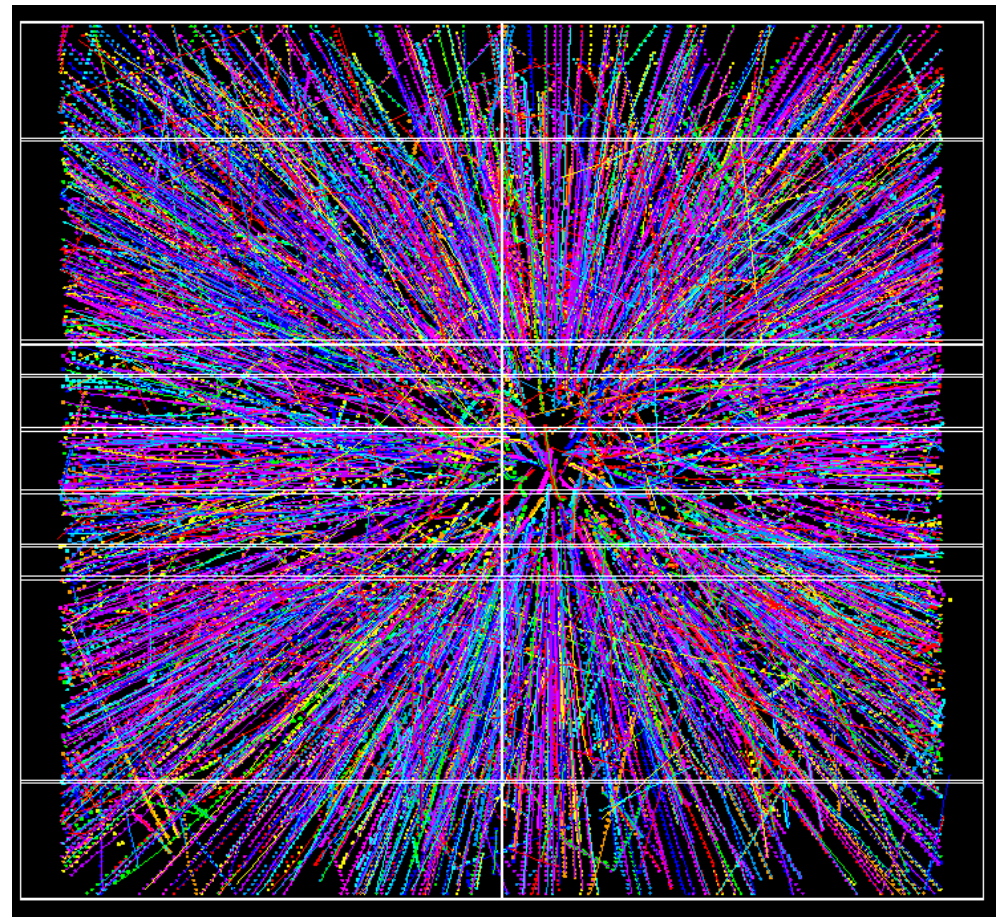
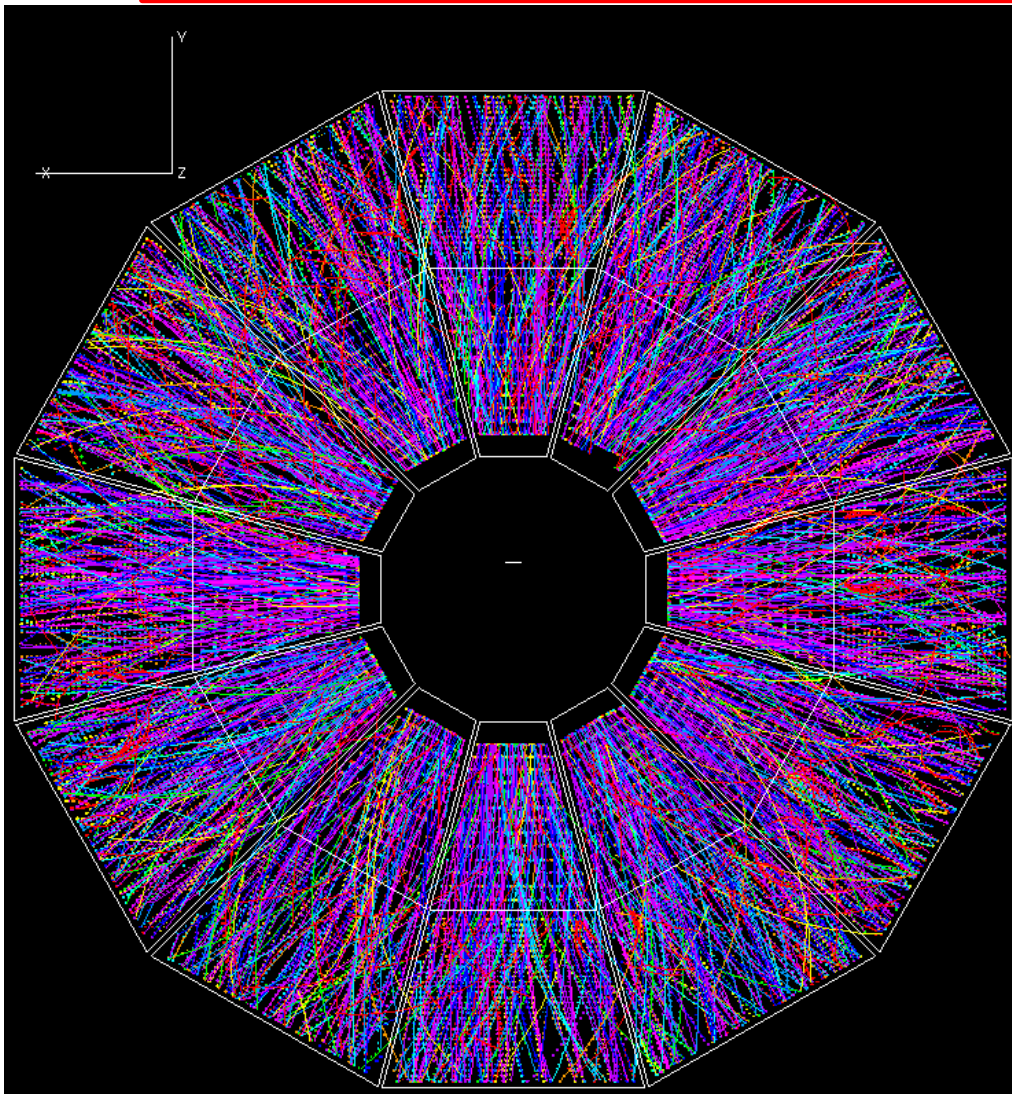




# TPC Performance: Au +Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130$ GeV

Run: 1186017, Event: 32, central

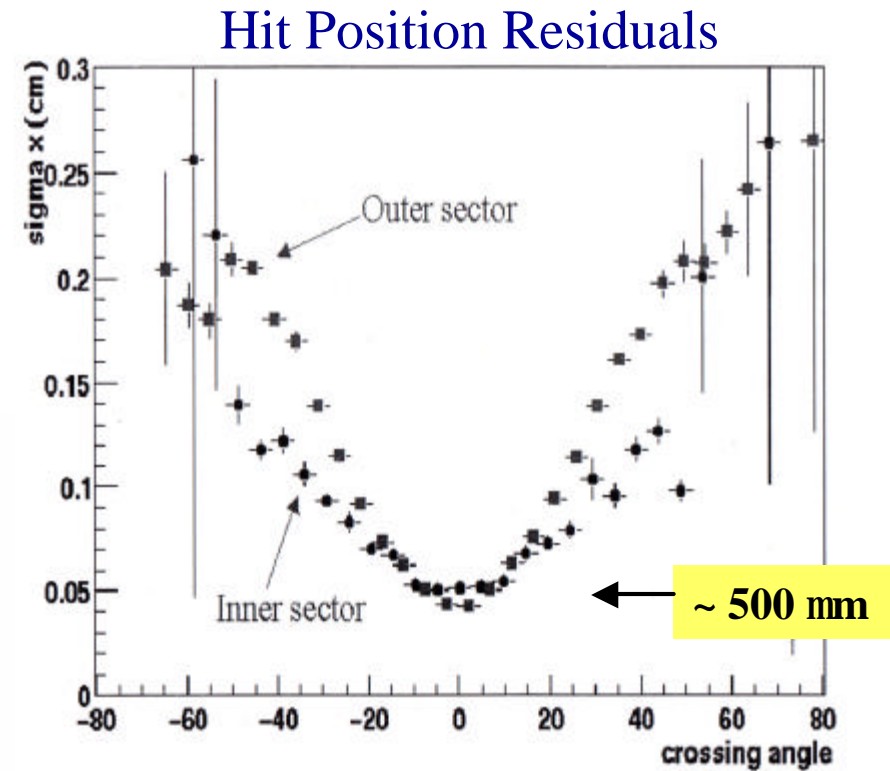
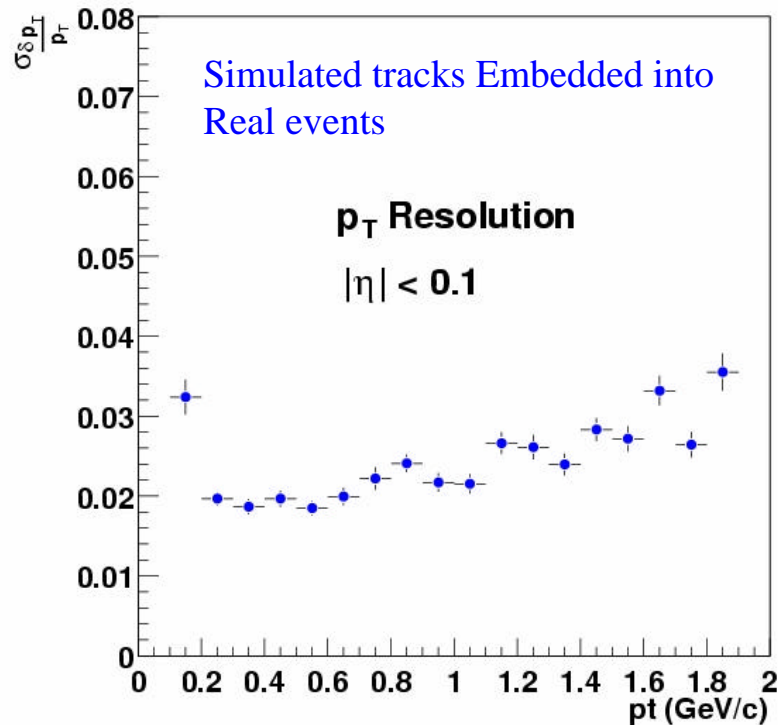
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# TPC Performance

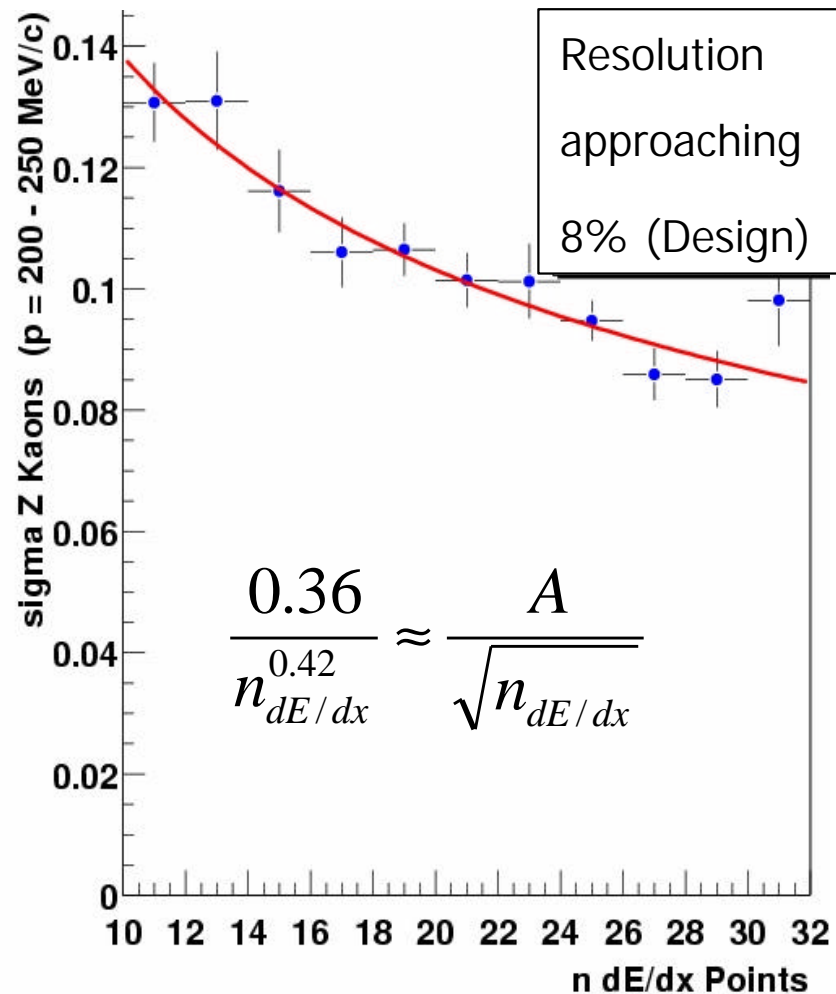
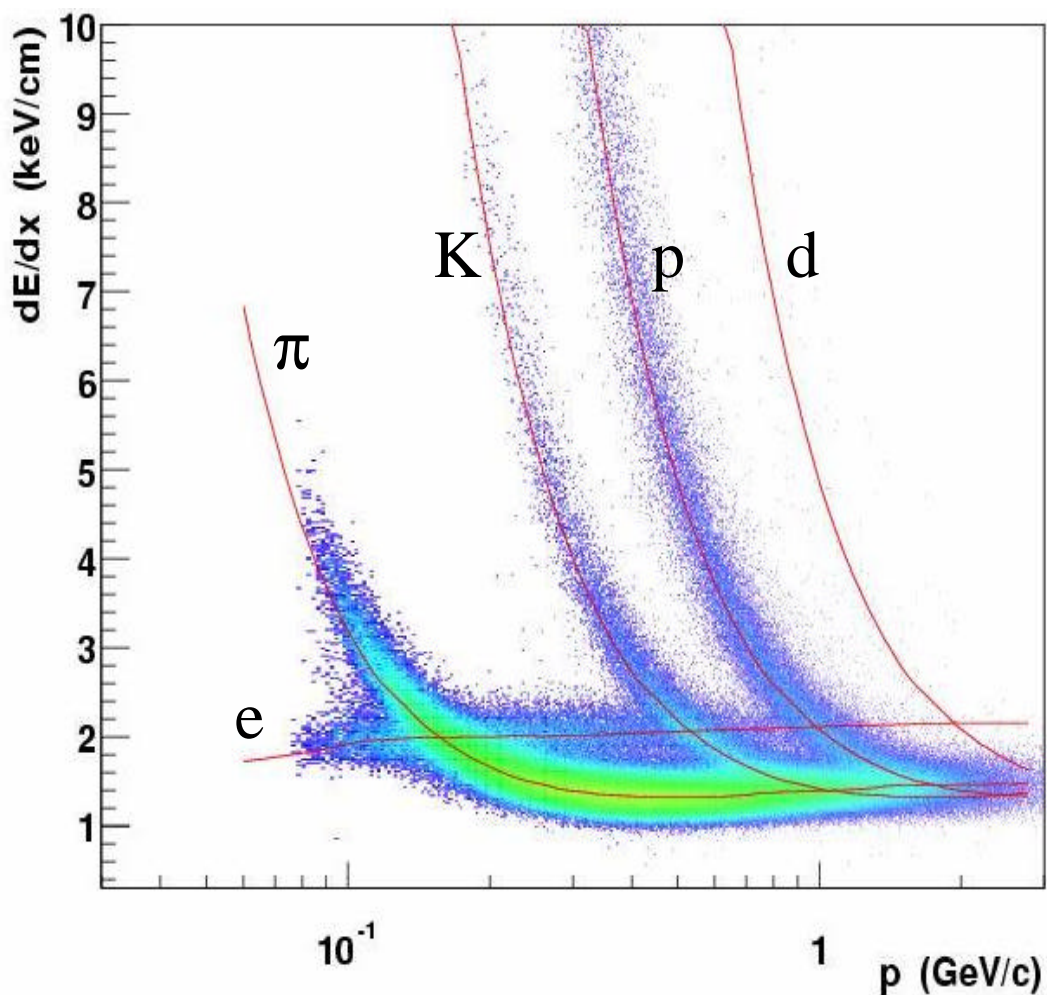
TPC ran extremely well!!!

- 100% uptime
- bad channels < 1%
- no space charge problems
- no gas alarm in 2 months

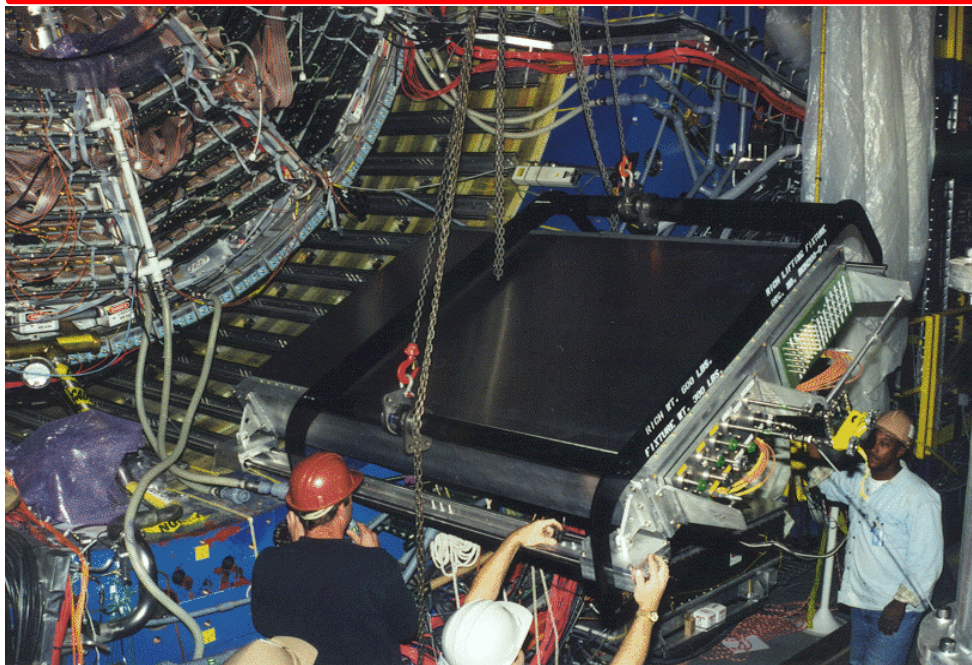




# PID in the TPC: dE/dx



# Ring Imaging Cherenkov Counter

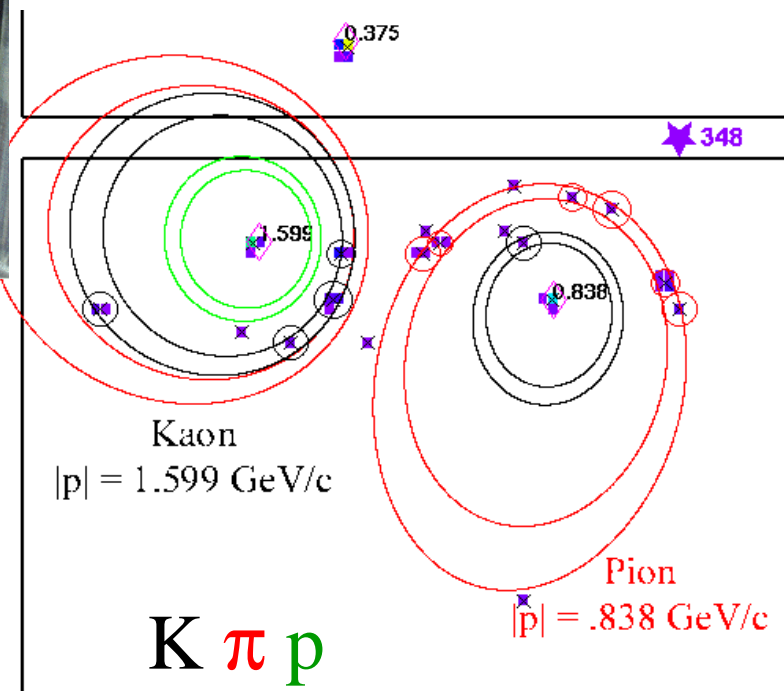


- C6F14 Liquid Radiator
- CsI Photo Cathode
- MWPC with 16,000 Pads

Up and running

Inclusive PID for K/ $\pi$ /p

- ◆ 1-3 GeV/c for K/p
- ◆ 1.5-5 GeV/c for p/anti-p



July 1, 2000 Run: 1183006 Event: 13

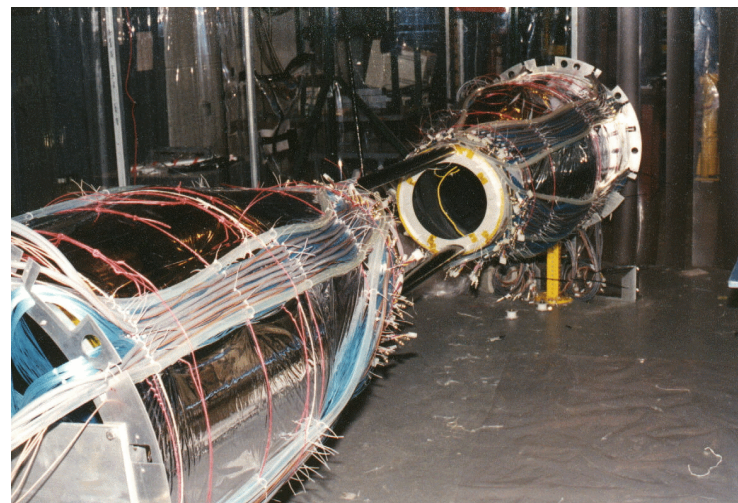
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# Silicon Drift Detector

## Year-1 Ladder:

- ◆ Seven wafer ladder placed 10 cm from vertex
- ◆ Allows for testing of RDO system and noise effects while in TPC
- ◆ Analysis of TPC results will provide information on detector calibration



- ◆ Proof of principle for SVT operation established
- ◆ TPC track correlation demonstrates correct operation of system

