

# Calibration of $dE/dx$ in the SVX Detector

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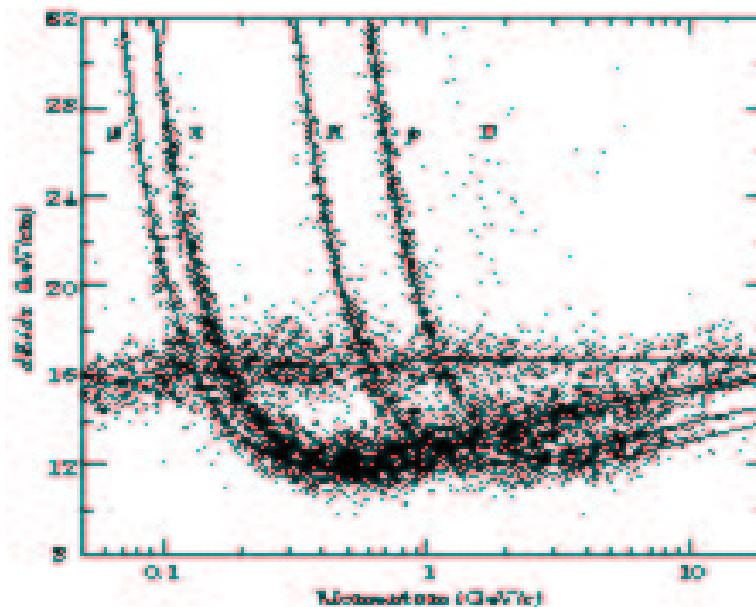
## Motivation

- Electrons provide a physics-based response to track the performance of the detector
- monitor gain vs. time to see the effects of radiation damage
- Particle identification in B physics
- To look for Charged Massive Particles (CHAMPs) with short lifetimes

## Electrons from Conversions

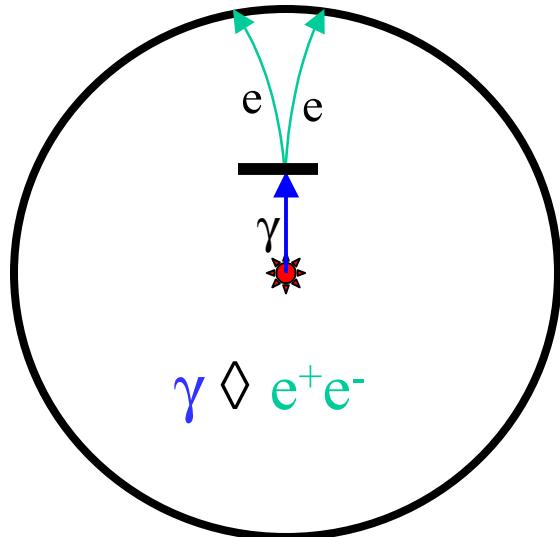
### ● Why Electrons?

- Electrons have high  $\beta\gamma$  and those above 200 MeV have reached the Fermi plateau in their energy deposition
- Electron ionizing deposition energy independent of their momentum
- Use all electrons to calibrate response



Taken from the PDG

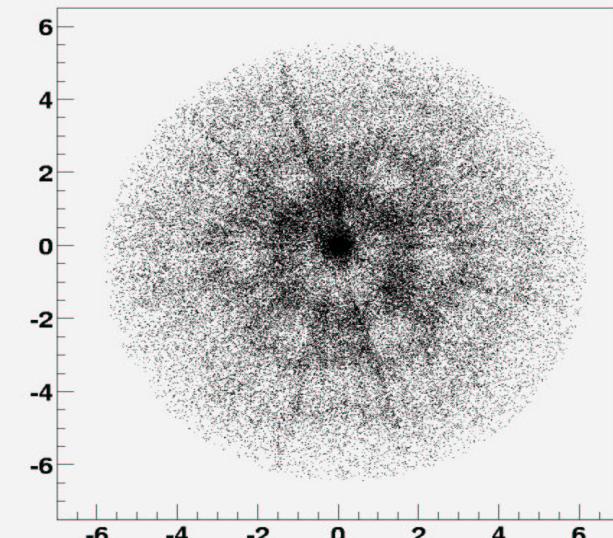
# Conversion Sample



- The electrons from conversions separate only in the r- $\phi$  plane due to the magnetic field.
- Cut on separation where they are parallel and  $\Delta\cot(\theta)$ .

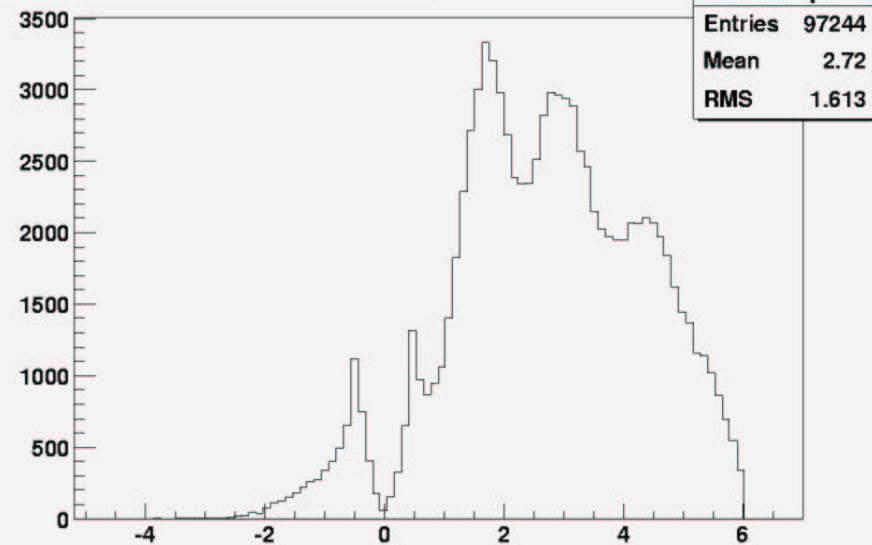
x vs. y of conversions

`fit_y_beam:fit_x_beam {abs(fit_r)<6&&fit_prob>.1}`



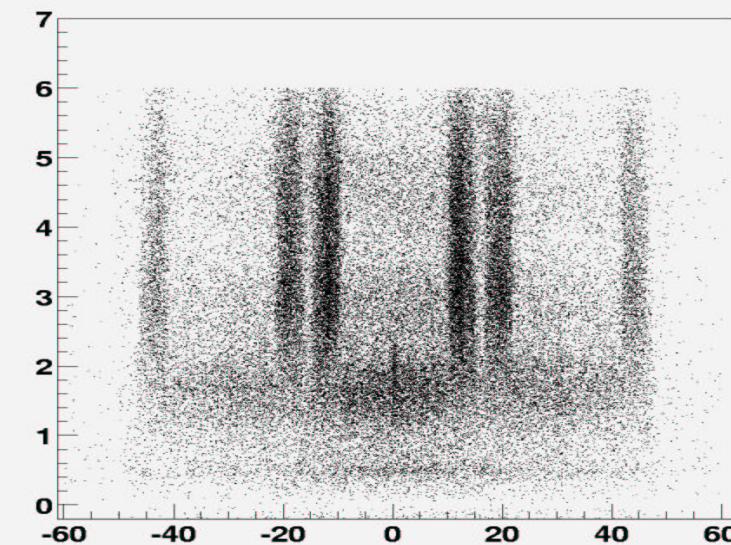
Radius of Conversion

`fit_r {abs(fit_r)<6&&fit_prob>.1}`



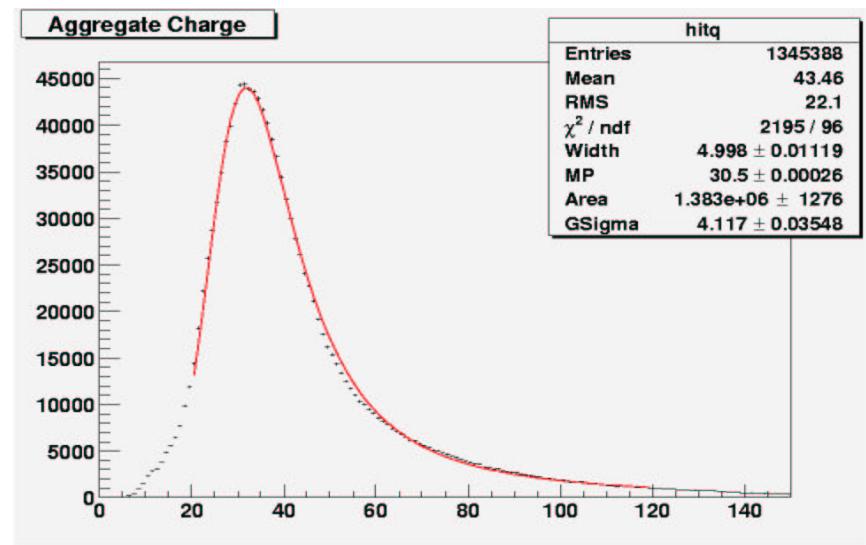
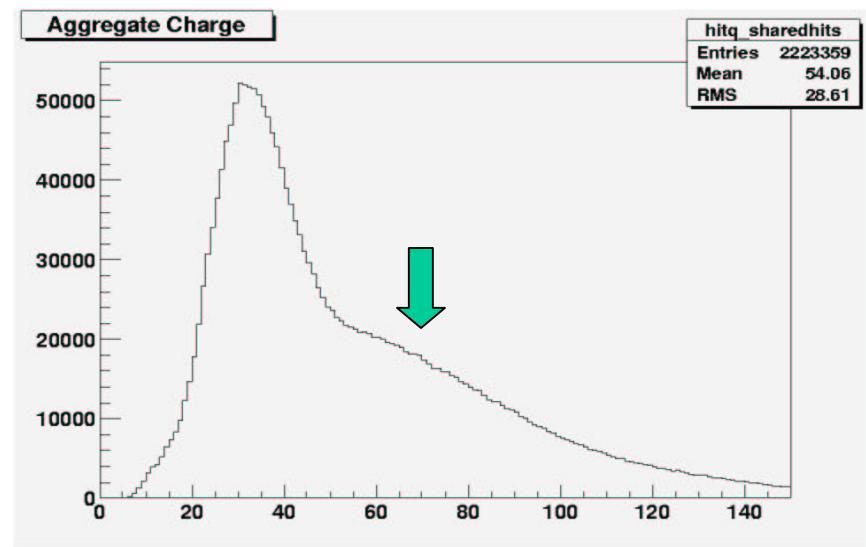
Radius vs. z of conversions

`fit_r:fit_z {abs(fit_r)<6&&fit_prob>.1}`



# Shared Clusters

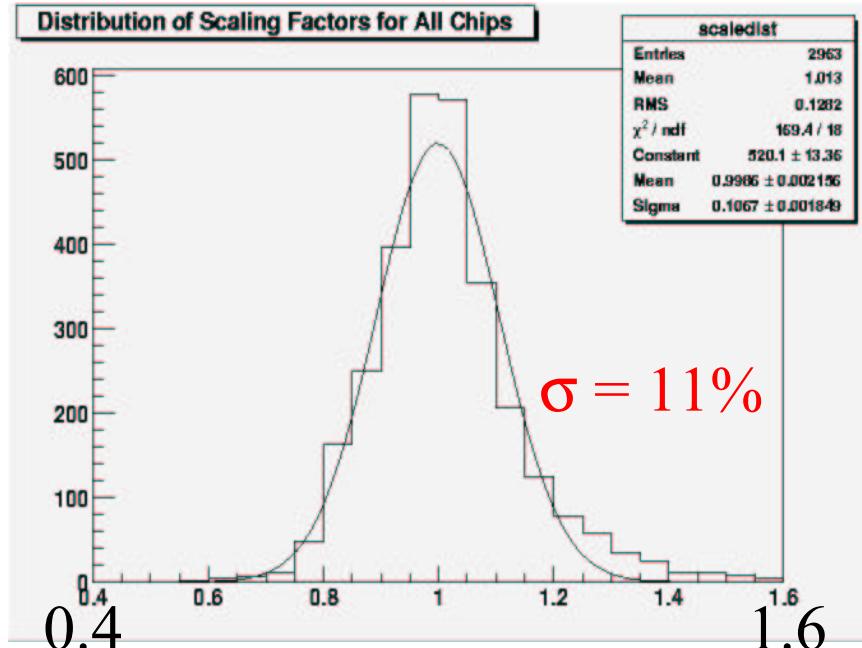
- Hits on Layers 0 – 4 (i.e. *only SVX*)
- Fiducial cut- center of cluster is not within 3 strips of each end of a chip
- Correct for path-length through the chip
- The cluster is not shared by multiple tracks.
  - 90° z chips have the second peak even after this requirement.
  - Pattern recognition on SAS layers is more robust.



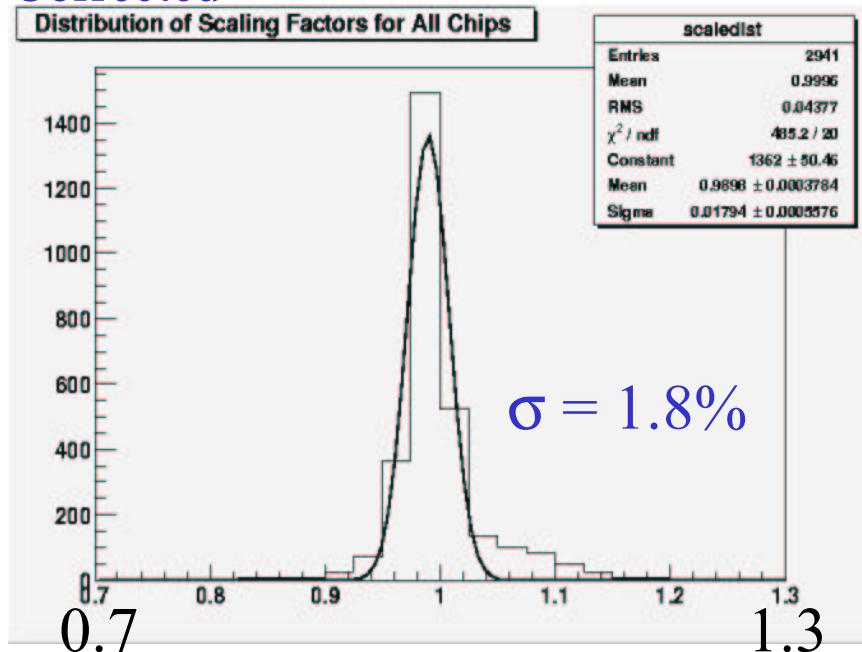
# Calibration

- Fit for gain of each chip
  - require at least 30 tracks through each chip
  - maximum likelihood fit with a Landau function, get most probable value (MPV)
- Line up all MPV's at mean MPV for all chips
- Uncertainty before correction ~ 11%
- Small (1.8%) residual non-uniformity after correction
  - Residual spread due to procedure for fit ranges
  - Understood, correctable in principle by one more iteration

Raw



Corrected



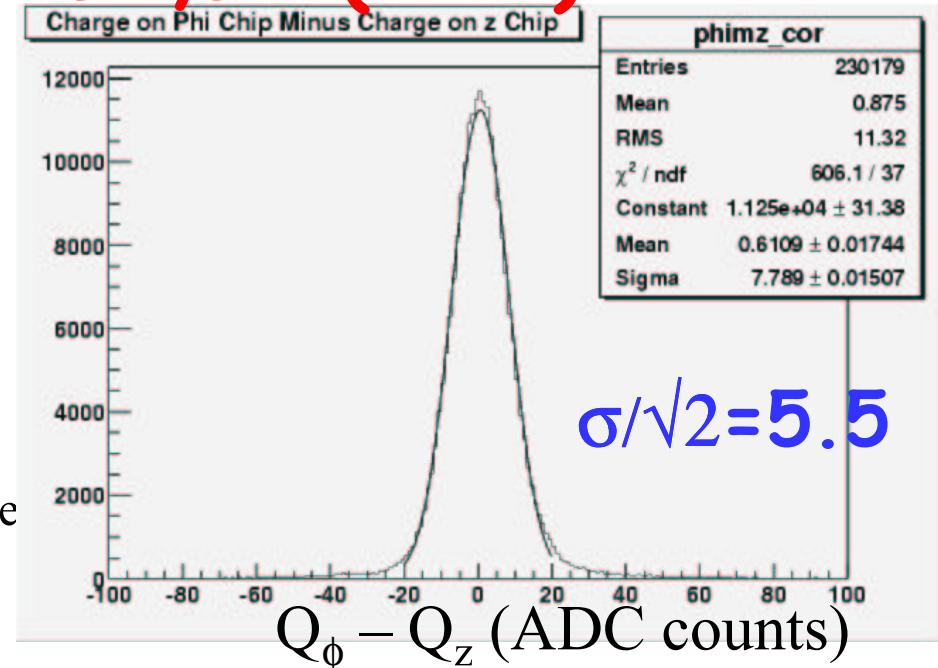
Note Scale

# Charge Resolution

L2,L4 (SAS)

$Q_\phi - Q_z$

- Take a hit which is recorded on both the  $\phi$  and the z side of the layer, after correction and only on small angle stereo layers (L2 and L4)
- $\sigma = 7.8 \pm 0.02$  ADC counts,  
 $Uncertainty = 8.0/\sqrt{2} = 5.5$  ADC counts
- This contributes to the distribution of charge measurement- we measure a *Landau convolved with a Gaussian*.

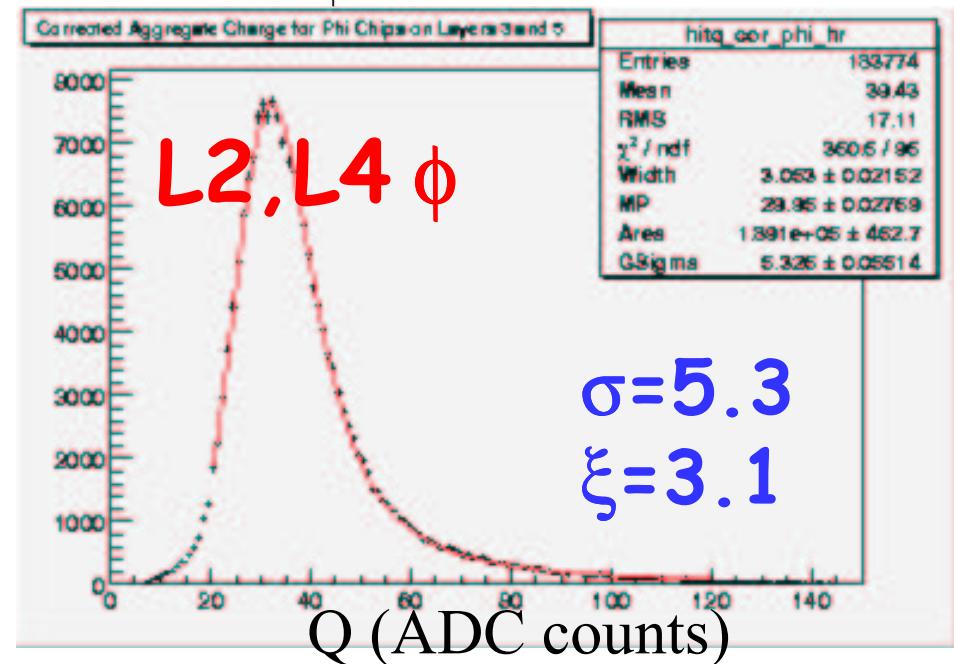


## Charge Deposition

- Fit to a Landau  $\otimes$  Gaussian
- Gaussian width  $\sigma = 5.3 \pm 0.02$  ADC counts

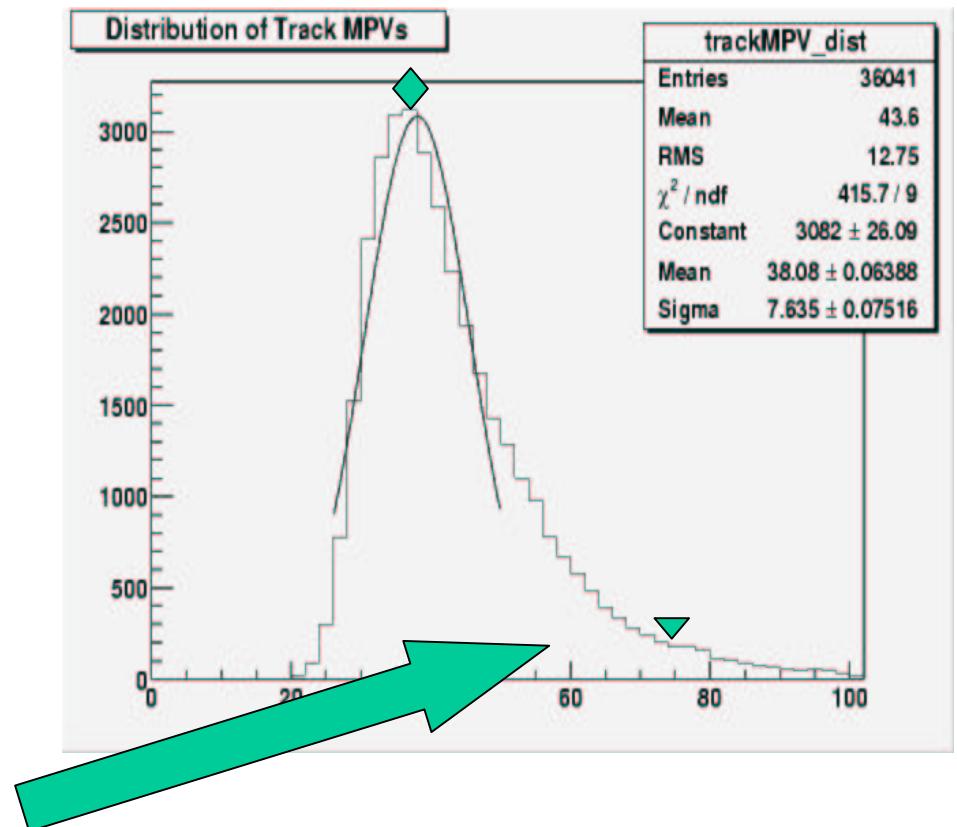
## Overall

- Two methods are consistent
- Average charge resolution/cluster: 18%



# Per-track $dE/dx$

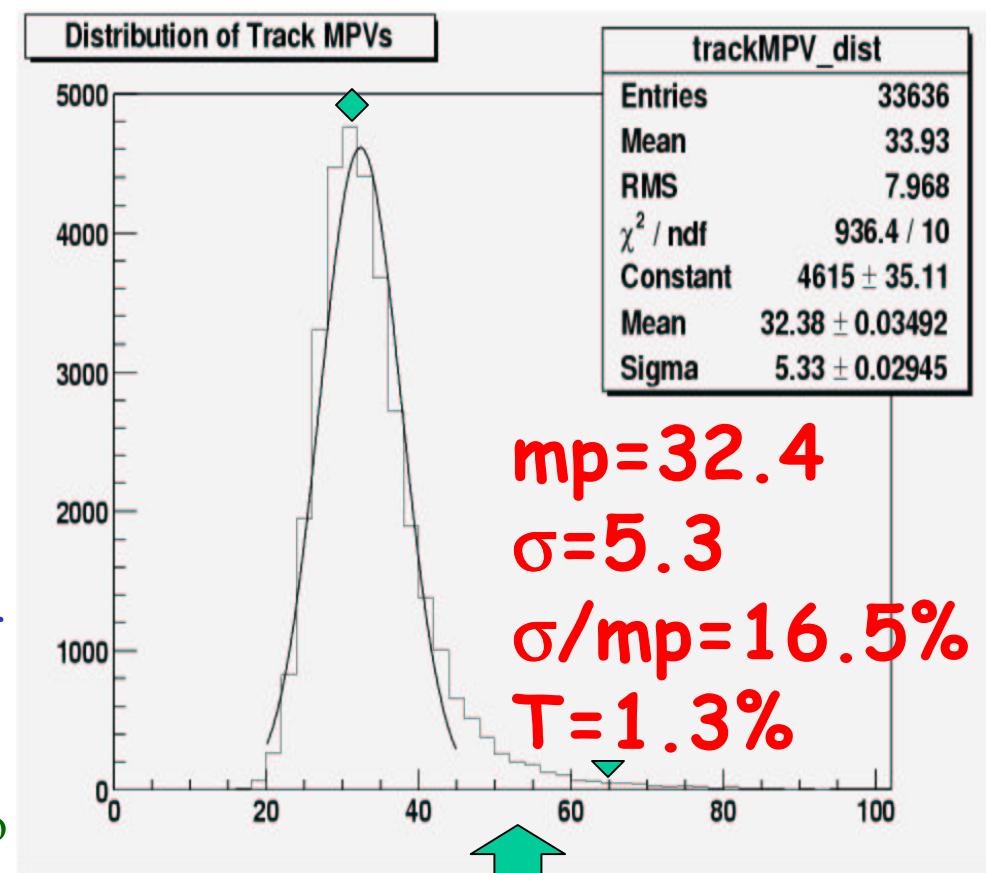
- Simplest approach
  - Average the  $\phi$  and  $z$  sides on a layer (since they see intrinsically the same deposition)
  - Form the average of all clusters on the track
- Assume that mean is proportional to track MPV
  - Problems
    - Poor resolution even in the core
    - This estimator has large high-side tails
    - $T \equiv \# \text{ at twice MP} / \# \text{ at MP}$



*20% resolution*  
 $T \equiv L(2\text{MP})/L(\text{MP}) = 7\%$

# Truncated Mean $dE/dx$

- Typical in wire chambers to use “X% truncated means”
  - X typically from 10 to 40%
  - Remove highest charge X fraction of hits
  - Form average from remaining
    - Formally defined for Landau distribution
- In SVX, can form the “n-1 truncated mean”
  - Remove highest-charge cluster
    - Similar to X~25%
  - Form average from remaining
    - On average, 3.0 layers used to form average
    - Resolution improves from 20% to 16.5%

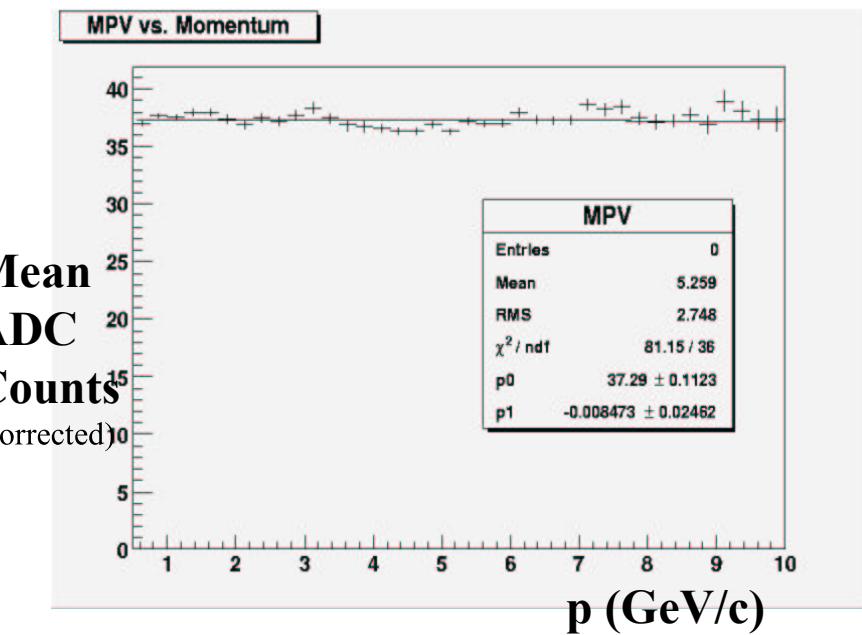


Tails, but better

# Cross Checks

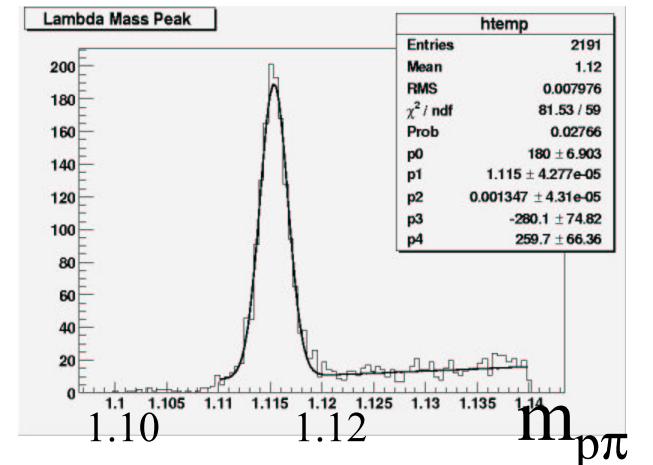
## Flatness of Electron $dE/dx$

- Plot truncated mean vs. momentum
- Check to see if the flatness hypothesis is true for electrons
- Slope is  $-0.008 \pm 0.025$ , consistent with zero

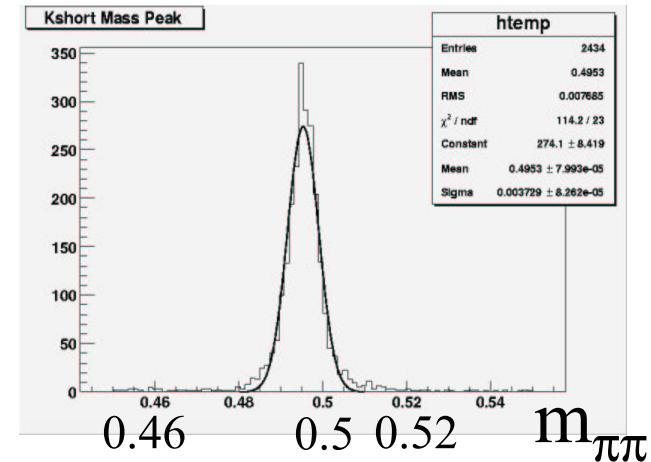


## Other Samples

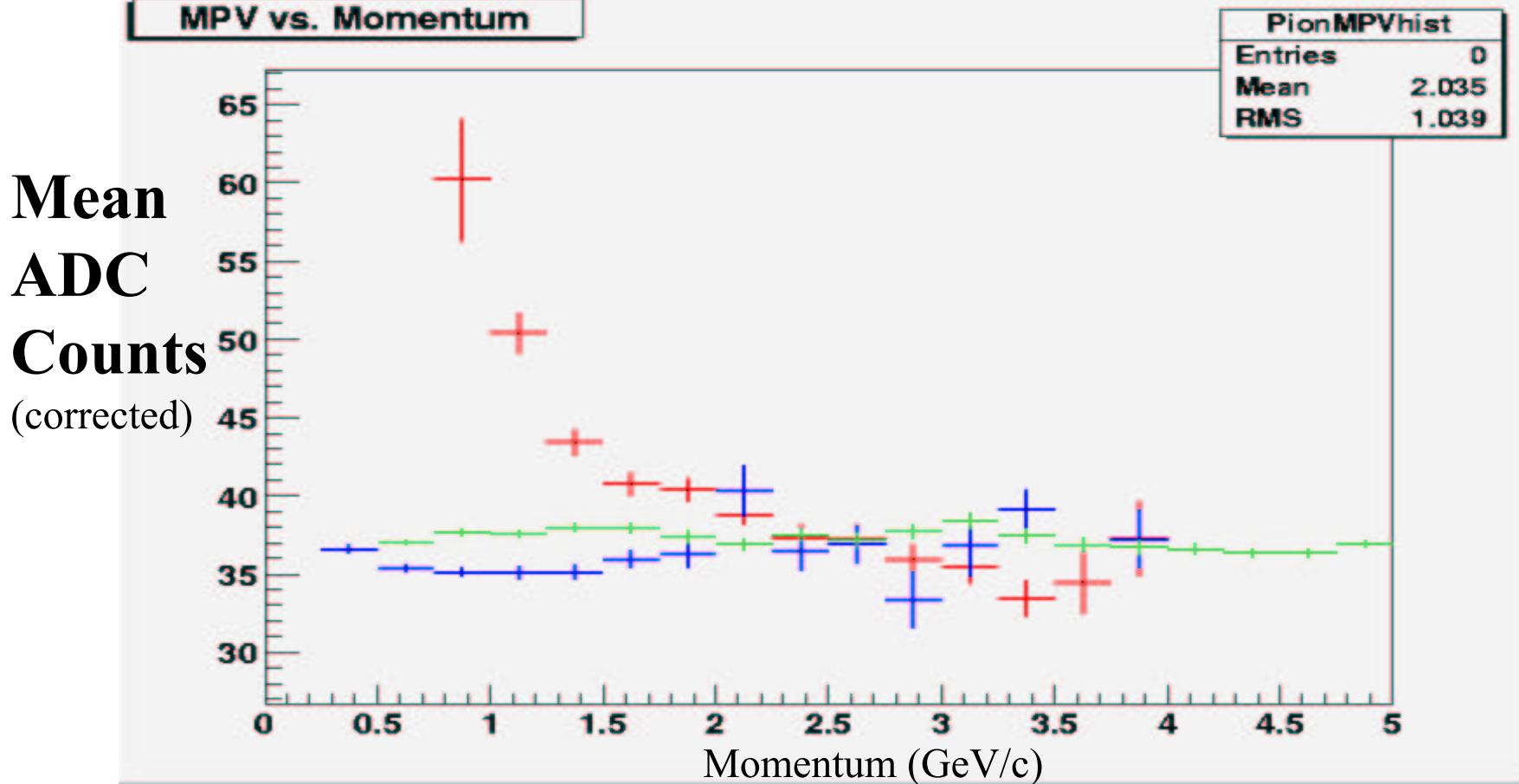
- Get protons from  $\Lambda$  decays -  $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi$ , mass peak at  $1.115$ ,  $\sigma = 0.002$



- Get pions from  $K_s$  decays -  $K_s \rightarrow \pi\pi$ , mass peak at  $0.495$ ,  $\sigma = 0.004$



# $dE/dx$ vs. Momentum

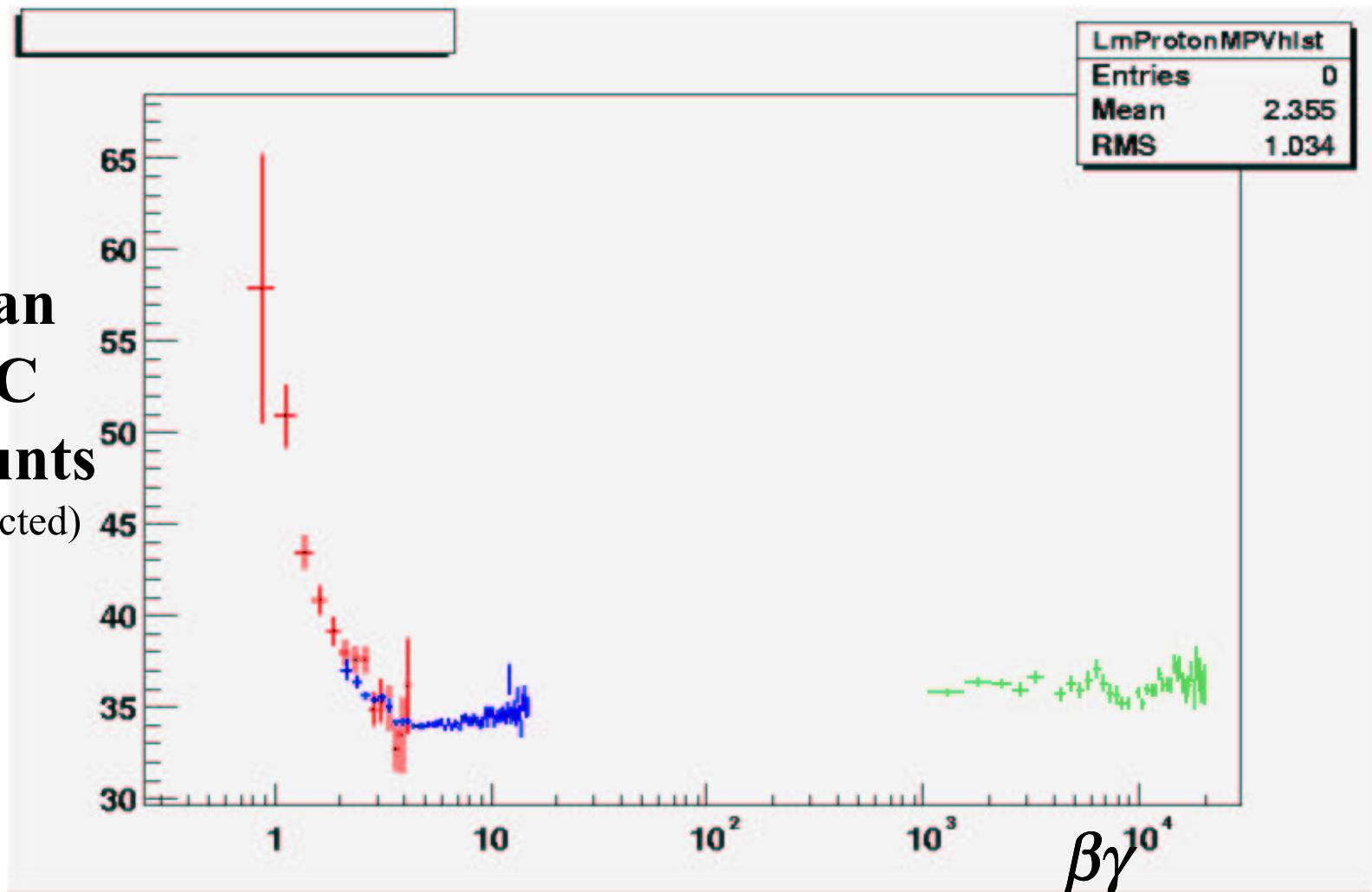


Green – electrons ( $\gamma$  conversion), Red – Protons ( $\Lambda$  decay),  
Blue – pions ( $K_s$  decay)

(Ratio of Fermi plateau (e) to minimum ionizing ( $\pi$ ) – 1.06)

# Universal Curve

Mean  
ADC  
Counts  
(corrected)



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Blue – pions ( $K_s$  decay)

# Correcting Charge Deposition

- The gains for each chip has been put into the SICHIPGAIN table in the Online Production and Online Development calibration databases (gains also propagate to the corresponding offline databases)
- Gains are given in kilo electrons/ADC count
  - corrections shown in this talk align the Landau peaks at 27.8 ADC counts for a minimum ionizing particle
  - a MIP should deposit 4fc which translates to 0.8982ke/ADC
  - SiHit (getQtotal) will give the charge in thousands of deposited electrons
- Jason Nielsen and I will modify SiClustering Module and DBCorrector to modify the deposition on each strip before clustering. User will be able to turn off this correction.
- Will periodically (~ every 6 months) update the gains because radiation damage will degrade the peak

# Packaging dE/dx for CDF

- CDF note 6751 on gain calibration
- Gains are in the calibration database and will be updated periodically
- The user will be able to choose whether they want the corrected or the uncorrected charge deposition (to be implemented and documented)
- Plan to have an SVX dE/dx function that returns the dE/dx of a given track
  - initially will return a number in ADC counts
  - eventually will return a  $\sigma$  for deviation from the MPV assuming that the particle is  $x$  ( $x = e, \mu, p, K, \pi$ ) based on its momentum and energy deposition