



Monte-Carlo simulation study of Straw Tracker occupancies for ion-ion and proton-proton collisions at the SPD Detector at NICA

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<u>Purpose</u>: 0

To reconstruct charged particle tracks, measure their momenta based on trajectory curvature in a magnetic field, and perform particle identification via energy loss (dE/dx)

Design: 0

The detector consists of a barrel section (for tracking) and two end-caps (primarily for tracking and for identification)

- 1. **Barrel:** Comprises 8 modules, each containing approximately 3,300 straw tubes (both straight and inclined), totaling around 26,000 tubes
- End-caps: Each contains 8 coordinate planes (disks) utilizing straw tubes with 2. various orientations and lengths

Operating Principle: \bigcirc

Charged particles ionize the gas (argon) inside the straw tubes, producing electrons that drift toward the anode.

The signal is amplified (gas amplification) and registered at the anode wire. The transverse coordinates (x, y) are determined by the tube number, while the longitudinal coordinate (z) is inferred from the electron drift time. The resulting set of space points allows for the reconstruction of the particle's track and precise determination of its transverse momentum

Straw Tracker (TS)

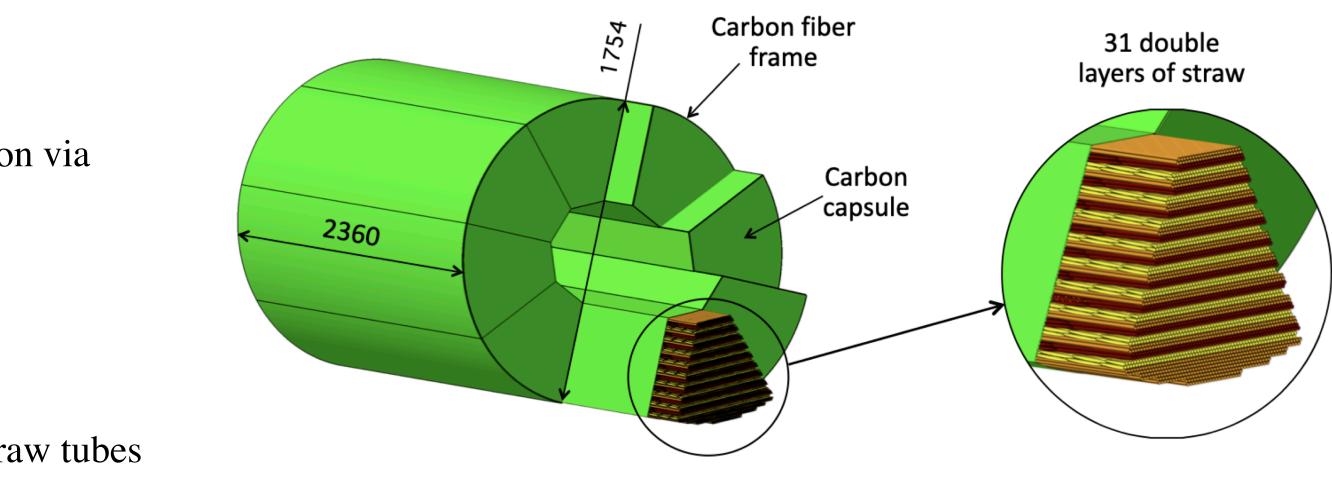


Fig. 1 - Straw Tracker (barrel)

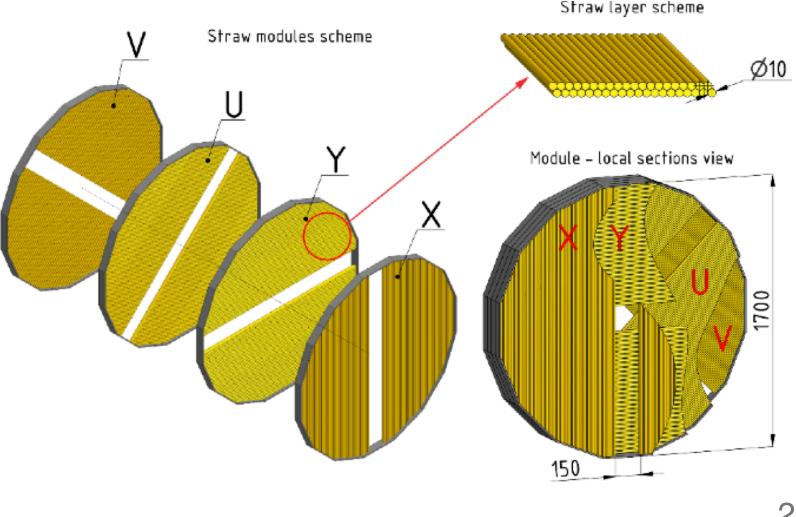
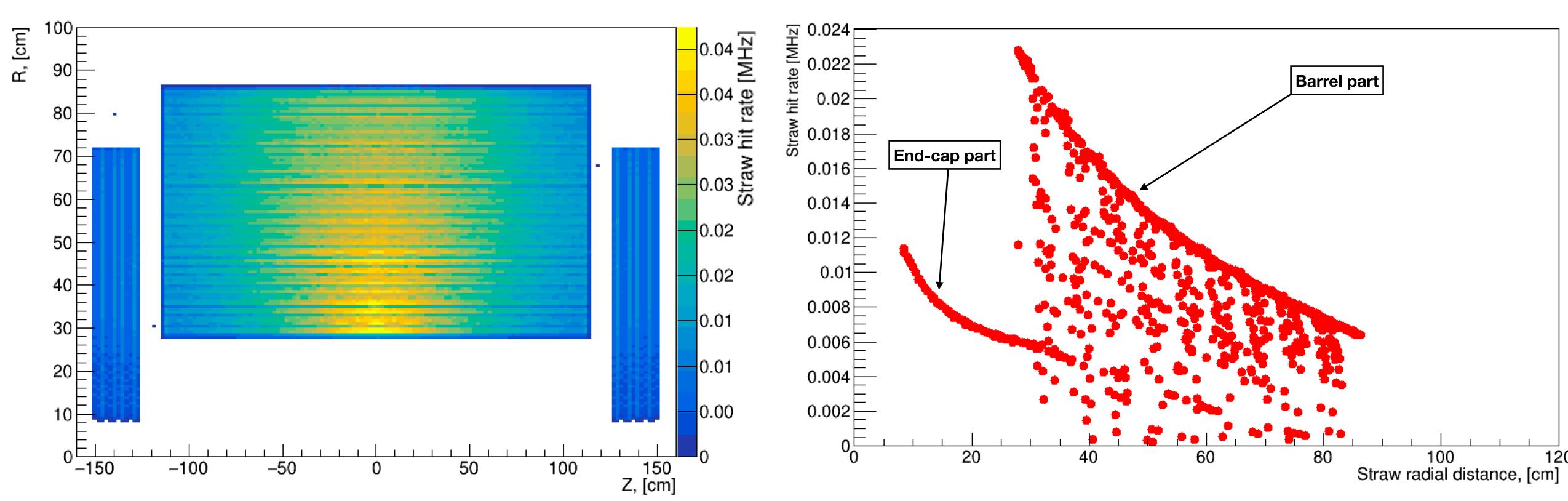


Fig. 2 - Straw Tracker (end-cap)



Fig. 3 - TS full hit rate (barrel и end-caps parts) in p-p collisions



Simulation parameters:

- 100 000 p-p collisions
- Event Generator: Pythia8

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$$\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$$

- Minimum bias \bullet
- Interaction rate (for colored Z-axis) = 0.4 MHz

TS full hit rate and straw occupancy in p-p collisions

Fig. 4 - Average number of hits per straw in the TS in p-p collisions

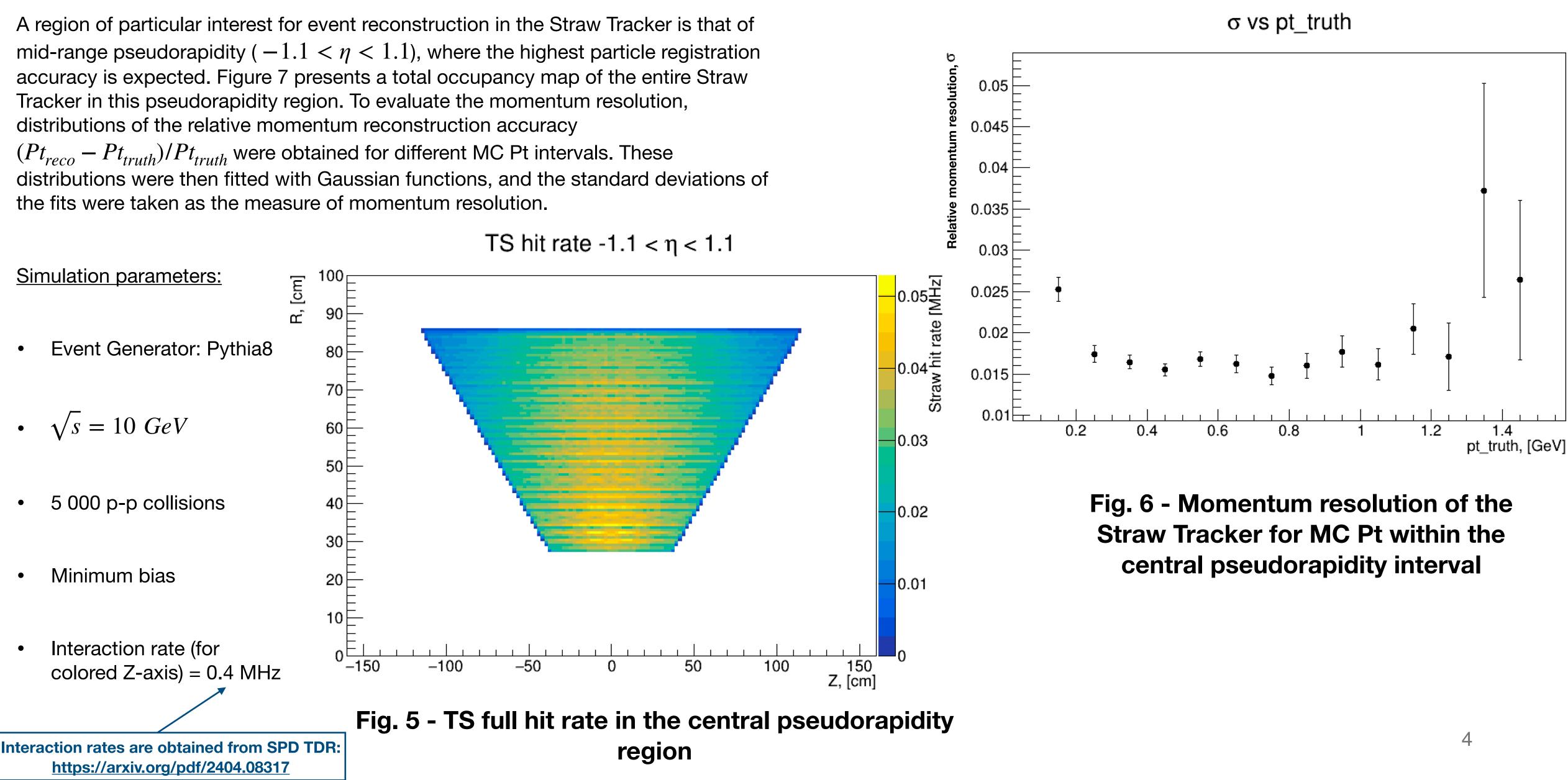
The relative fraction of active straws (straws with at least 1 hit): 1.8%

Interaction rates are obtained from SPD TDR: https://arxiv.org/pdf/2404.08317

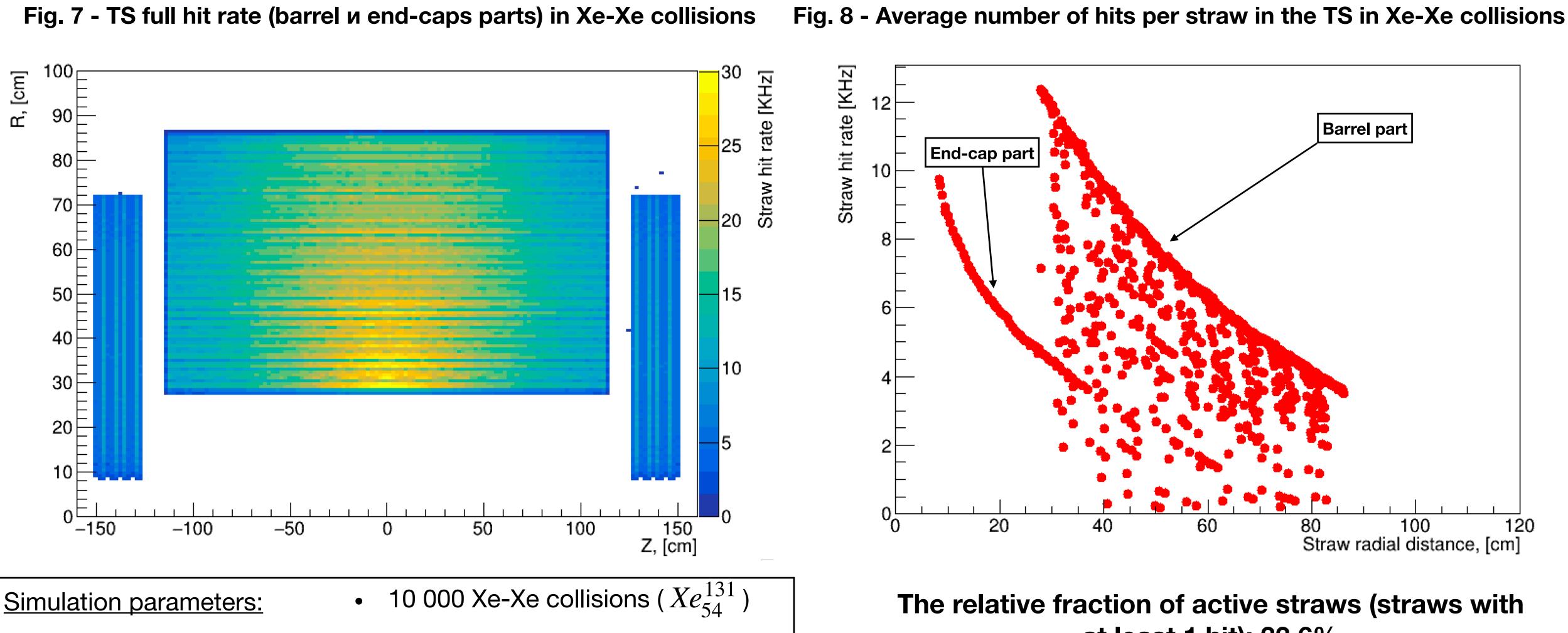




Momentum resolution of the Straw Tracker in p-p collisions







- Event Generator: URQMD

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$$\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$$

- Minimum bias
- Interaction rate (for colored Z-axis) = 7 kHz

TS full hit rate and straw occupancy in Xe-Xe collisions

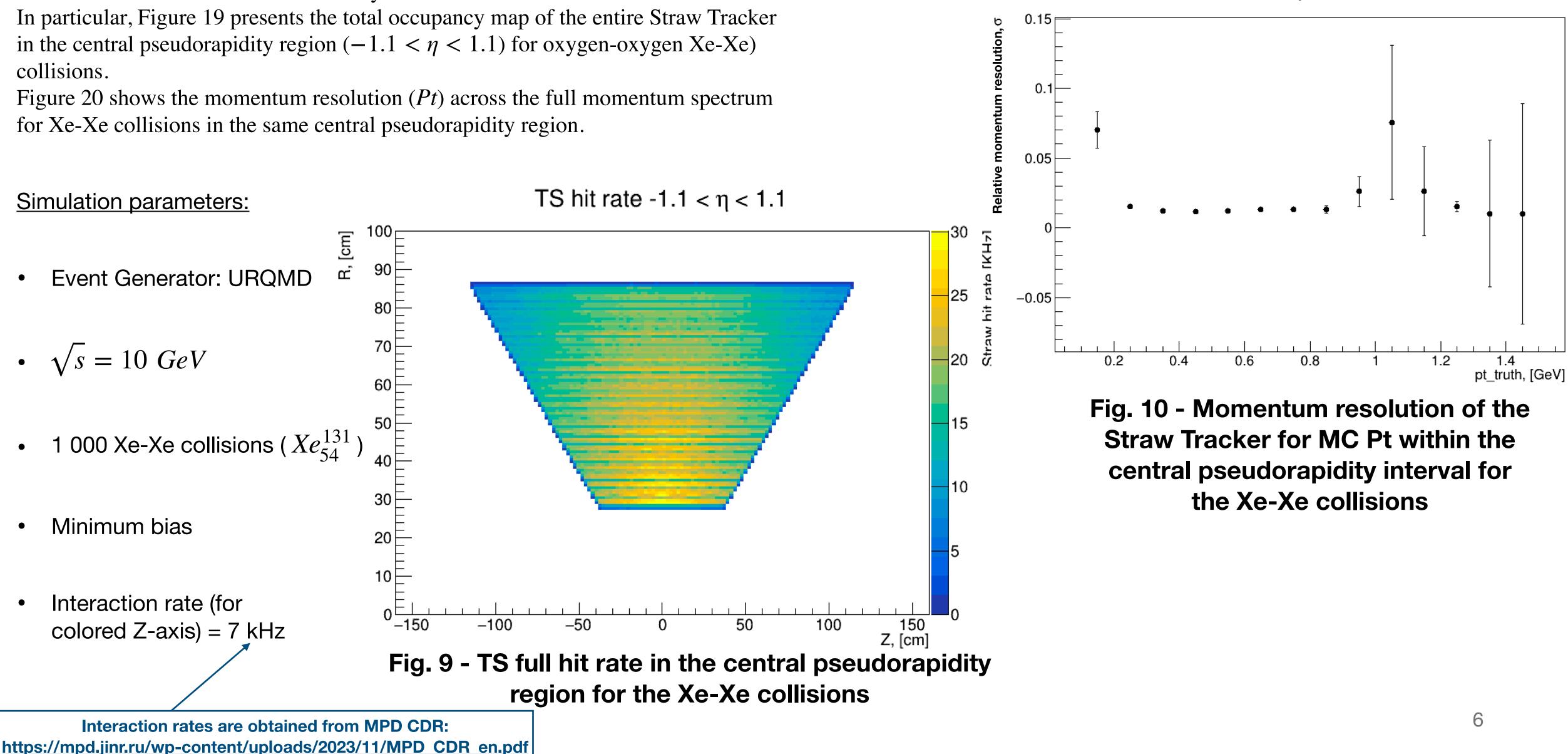
at least 1 hit): 33.6%

Interaction rates are obtained from MPD CDR: https://mpd.jinr.ru/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/MPD_CDR_en.pdf



Momentum resolution of the Straw Tracker in Xe-Xe collisions

The momentum resolution was similarly evaluated for ion-ion collisions.



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Relative momentum resolution,

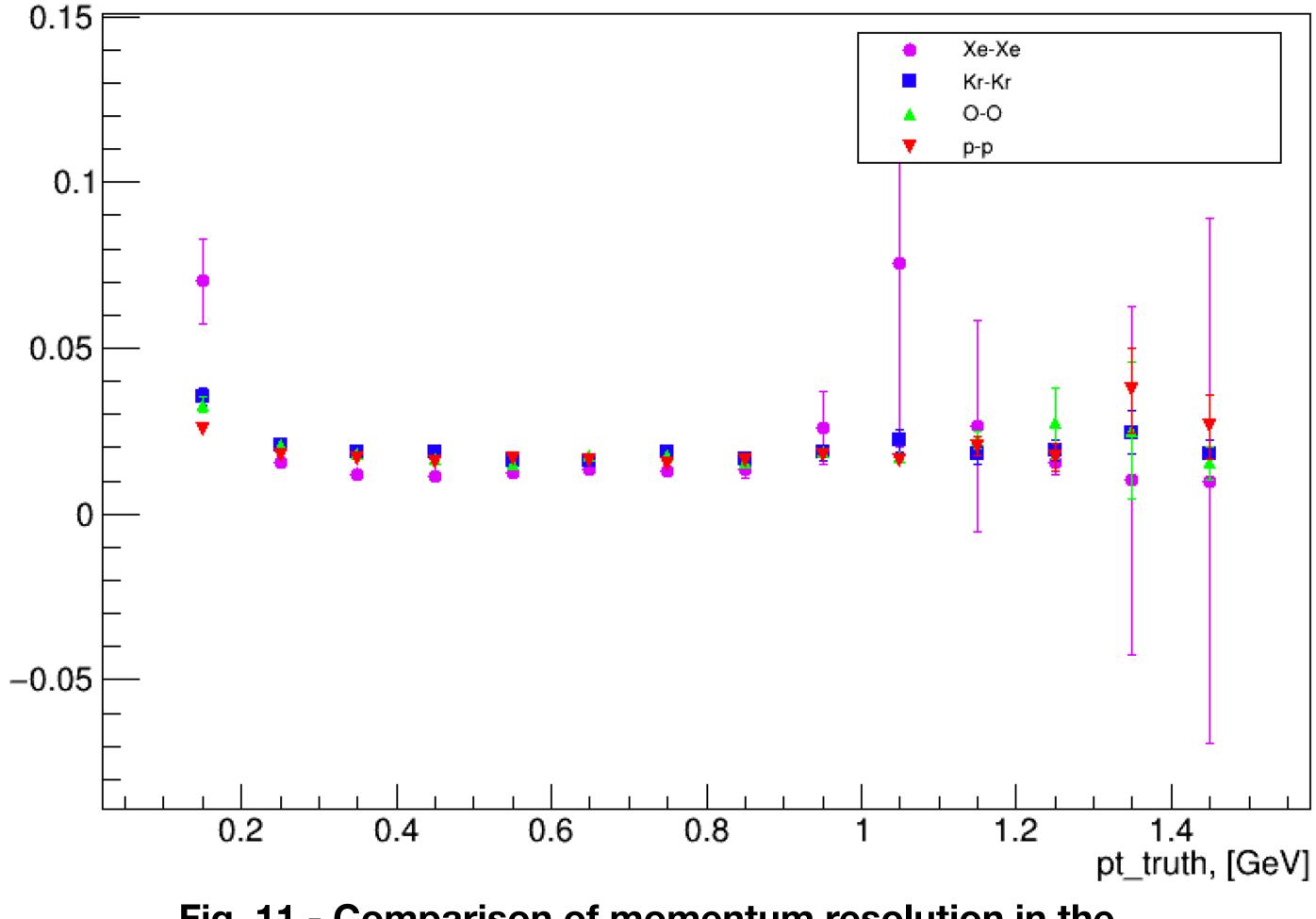
By comparing the momentum resolution distributions between proton-proton and various ion-ion collision systems, a combined distribution was obtained.

Simulation parameters:

Event Generator: URQMD

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$$\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$$

- 10 000 p-p and 1000 ion-ion collisions
- Minimum bias



Comparison of momentum resolution in the Straw Tracker in p-p and ion-ion collisions

p-p and ion-ion sigma comparison

Fig. 11 - Comparison of momentum resolution in the **Straw Tracker in p-p and ion-ion collisions**





Fig. 22 shows the relative fraction of active	
straws in the TS, compared between p-p, O-O,	10
Kr-Kr and Xe-Xe collisions	90
	80
Simulation parameters:	70
 Event Generator: URQMD 	60
	50
• $\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$	40
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Compared relative fraction of active straws in the TS

The relative fraction of active straws

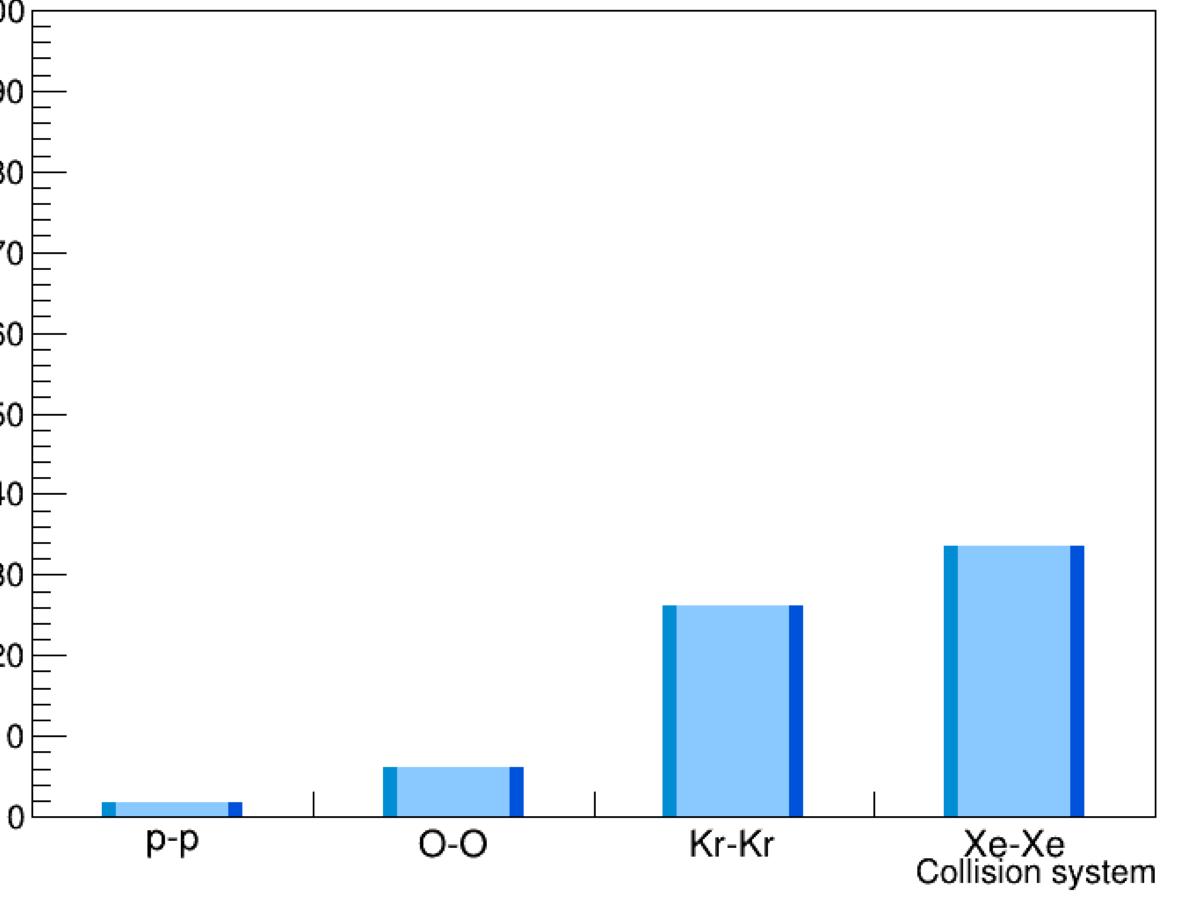
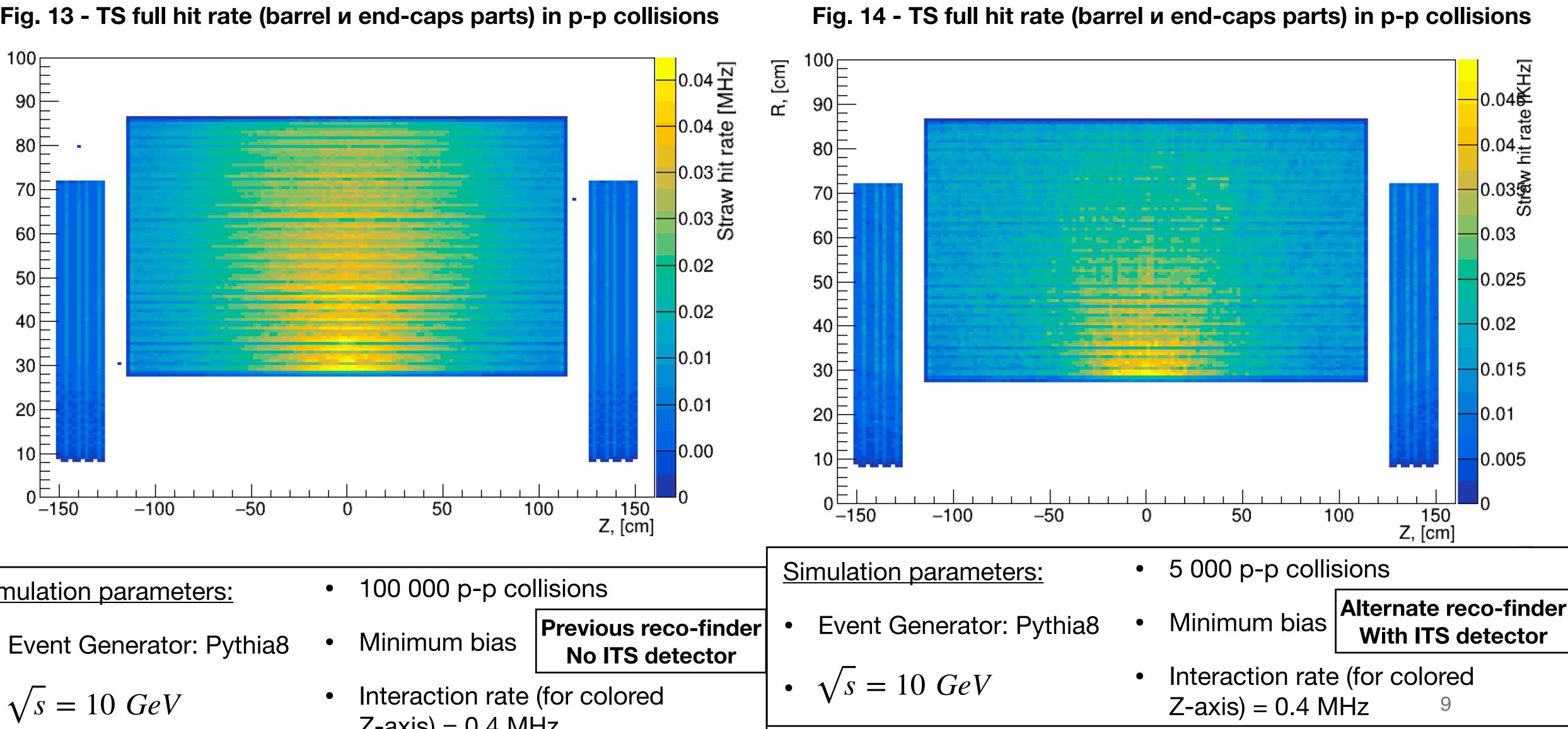
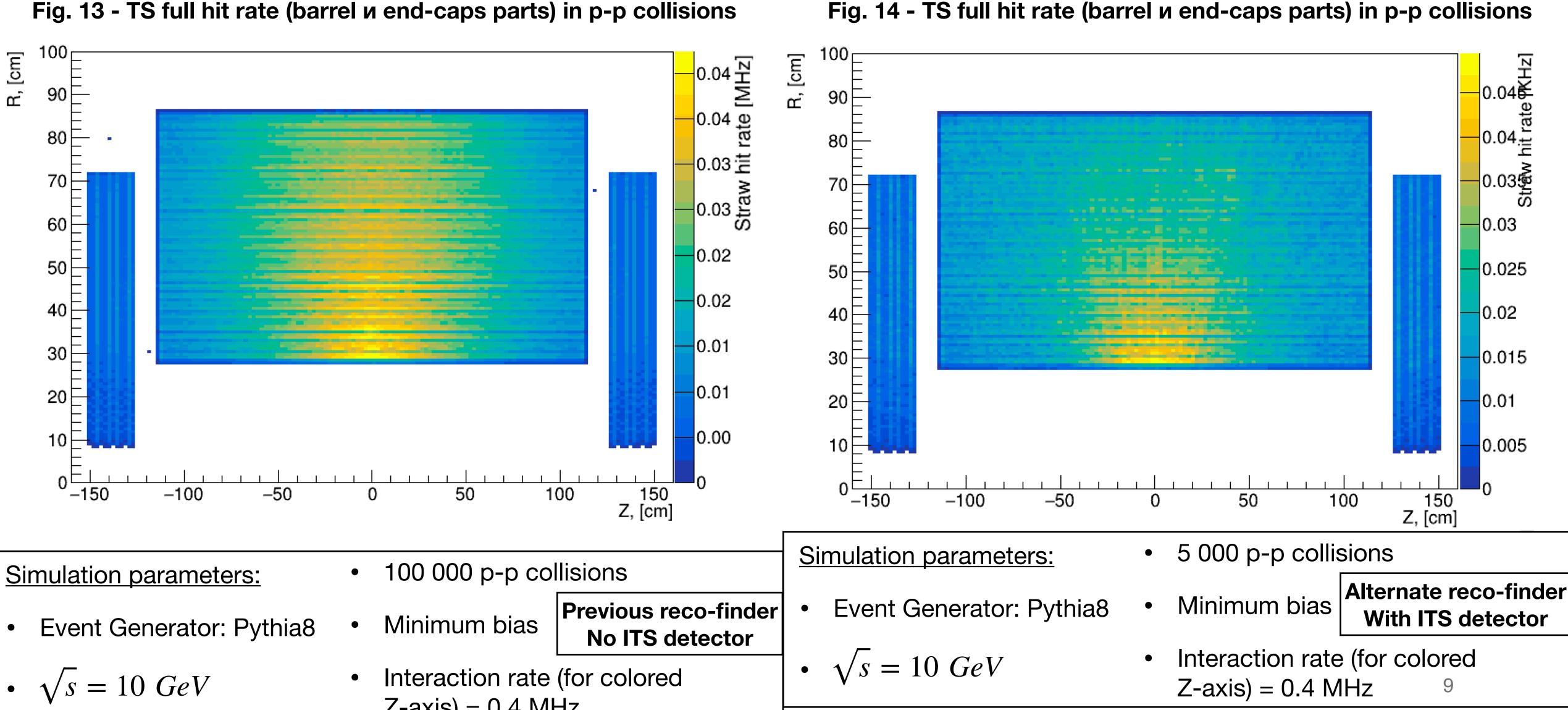


Fig. 12 - Compared relative fraction of active straws in the TS



TS full hit rate and straw occupancy in p-p collisions





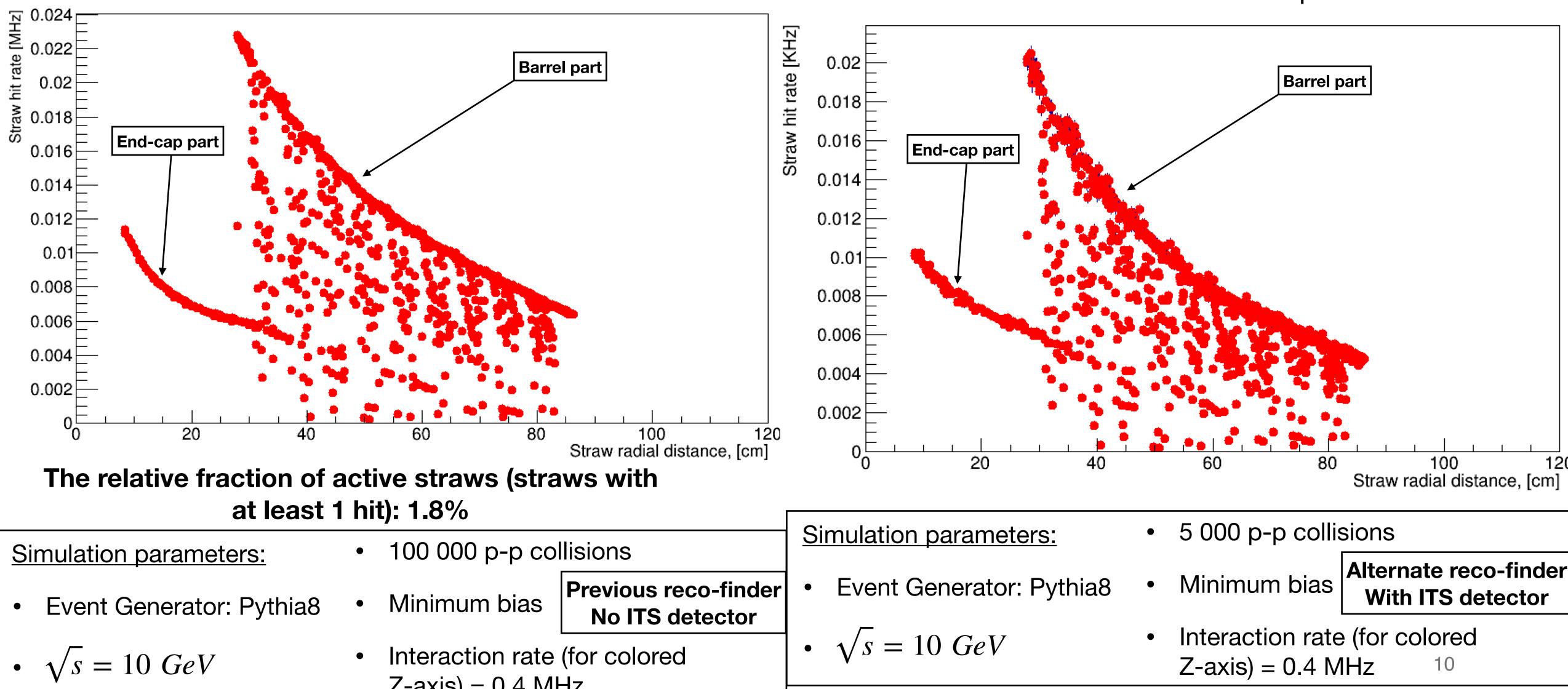
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Z-axis) = 0.4 MHz



TS full hit rate and straw occupancy in p-p collisions

Fig. 15 - TS full hit rate (barrel и end-caps parts) in p-p collisions Fig. 16 - Average number of hits per straw in the TS in p-p collisions Profile of number of hits per straw Profile of number of hits per straw



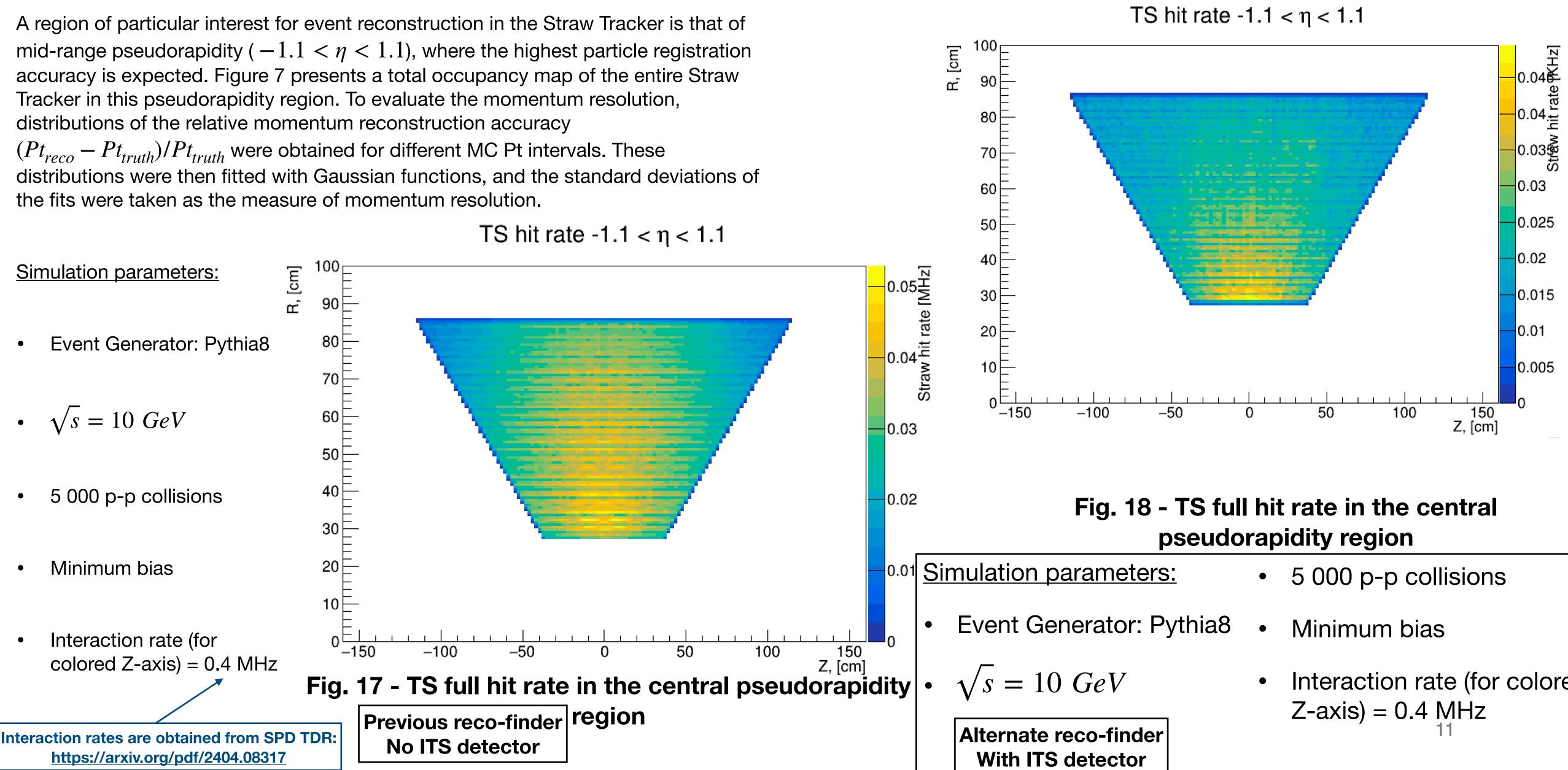
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Z-axis) = 0.4 MHz



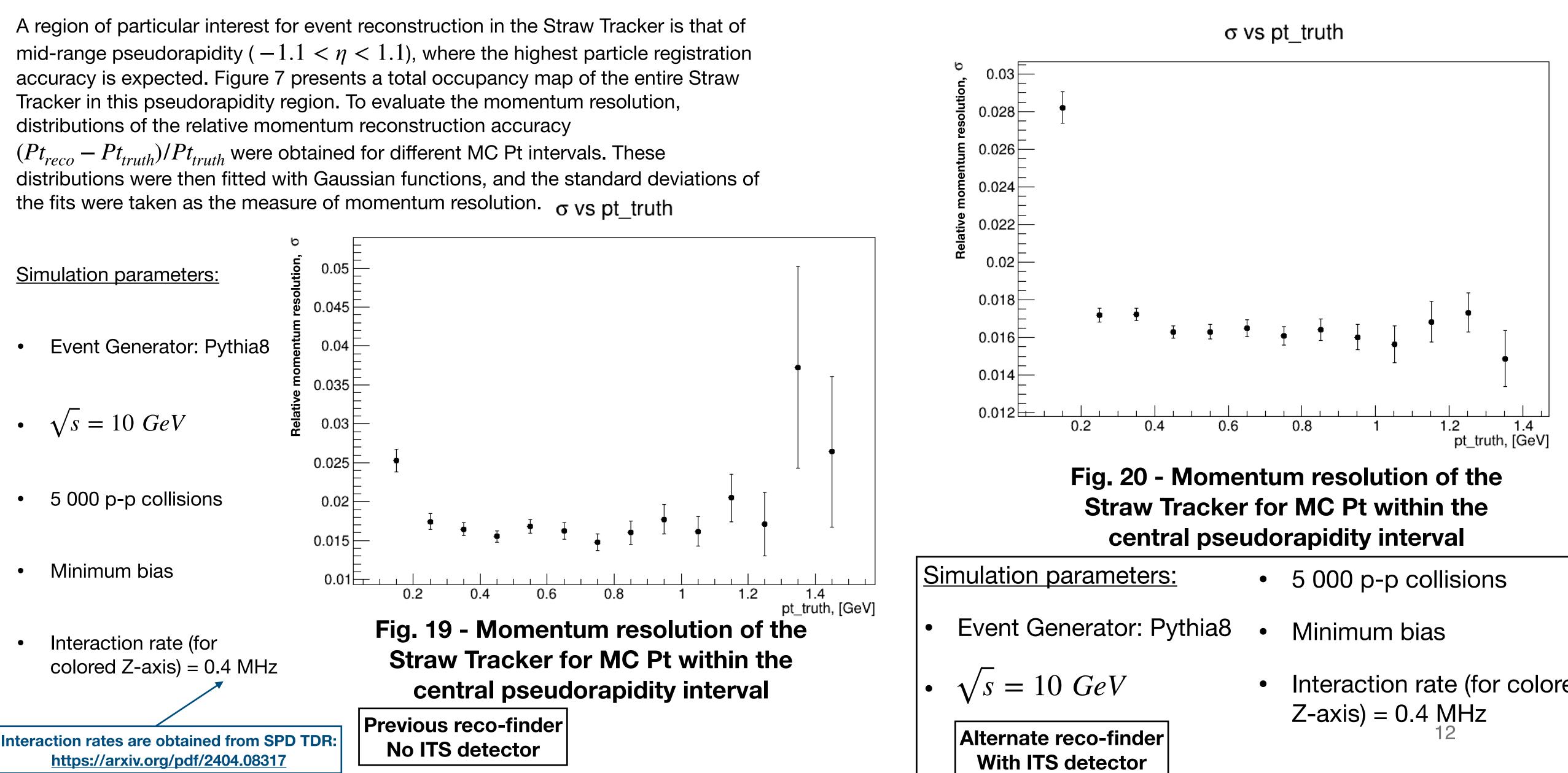


Momentum resolution of the Straw Tracker in p-p collisions





Momentum resolution of the Straw Tracker in p-p collisions







- Total occupancy maps of the Straw Tracker were obtained for both proton-proton and different ion-ion collisions
- increasing atomic number of the colliding nuclei
- different tracks via one ion collision

• Momentum resolution distributions were evaluated in the central pseudorapidity region for both p-p and ion-ion collisions. The relative fraction of active straws increased with

According to the average straw occupancies and hit rates maps we can make a conclusion that light ion collisions like O can be studied with high accuracies but it seems unlikely to study heavier ions like Xe at the SPD because it would be rather difficult to separate









Reconstructions efficiencies

Layers occupancies (higher level -> less occupancy?)

• Computing servers performance tests

Statistics increase for ion-ion collisions

New URQMD version integration



Thank you for your attention!

SPD Experiment



- Spin Physics Detector (SPD) is an experiment at the NICA facility designed to study the spin structure of the proton and deuteron using polarized beams, as well as other spin-related phenomena. It is being developed as a universal 4π detector equipped with tracking, particle identification systems, and high luminosity (up to $10^{32} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$)
- Expected energies for **Phase 1 is** $\sqrt{s} = 10 \text{ GeV}$ and for **Phase 2 is** $\sqrt{s} = 27 \ GeV$
- Straw Tracker (ST) is a subsystem responsible for charged track reconstruction and their momentum determination. It plays a critical role in ion-ion collisions with high particle multiplicity, where signal overlap is likely. It is susceptible to occupancy issues, as the front-end electronics require time to process events, which may reduce accuracy under high load conditions. The Straw Tracker is planned to be used throughout all stages of the SPD experiment

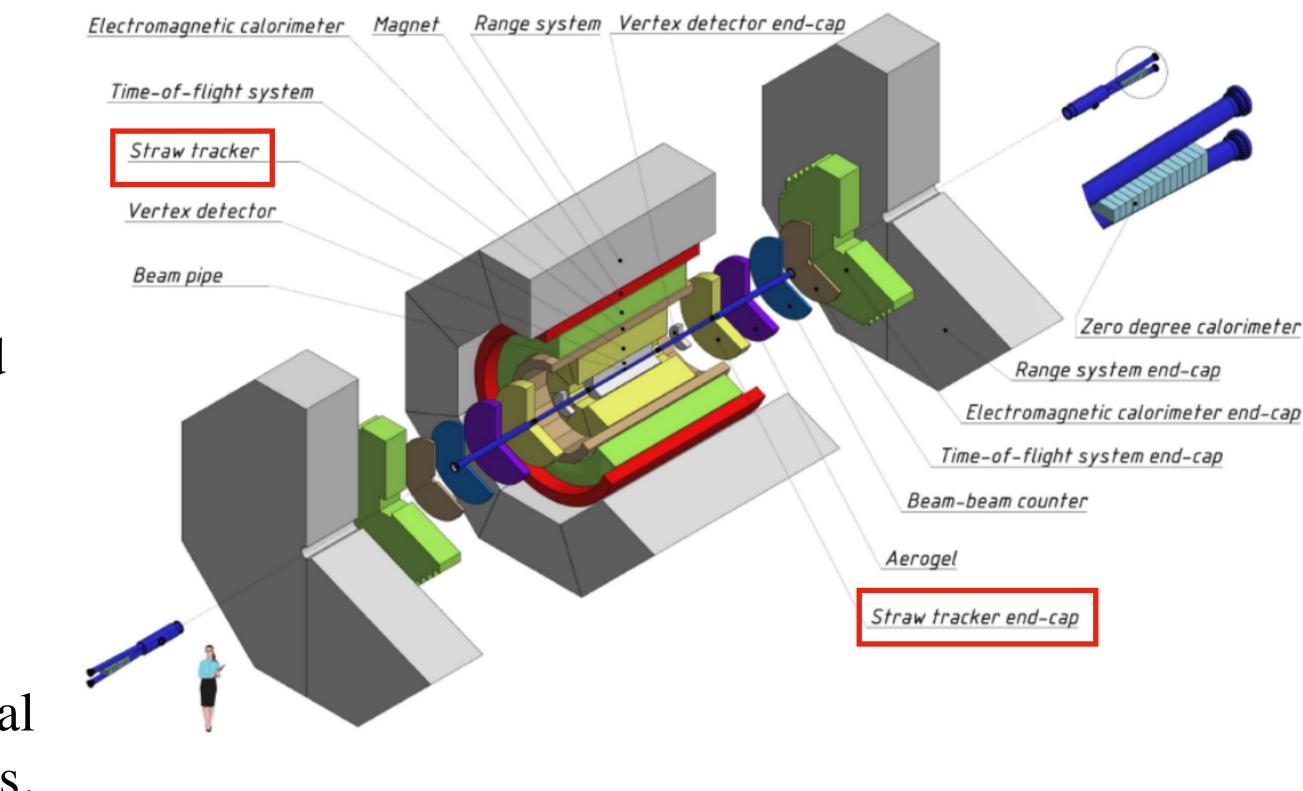
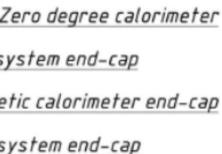


Fig. 21 - SPD Experiment









Why an ion program?

Will provide an extraction of 'nuclear PDF' from ion-ion collisions data;

Study of quark-gluon matter properties in small systems (p+p, d+d, O+O, Ar+Ar, Xe+Xe):

- Influence of the initial state on system dynamics
- Final-state dynamics and effects, transport coefficients
- Vortical structure (accessible via decays of various particles hyperons, 3. meson resonances, J/ψ — in a wide acceptance range; energy dependence of the vortical structure)

Heavy quark production:

- Dissociation and recombination, quark-level energy loss
- Access to J/ψ and other charmonia through dielectron and dimuon decay channels
- Why SPD?
- High trigger rate and small spatial resolution
- Wide pseudorapidity coverage
- Complements the MPD detector, while offering unique physics capabilities

SPD Experiment



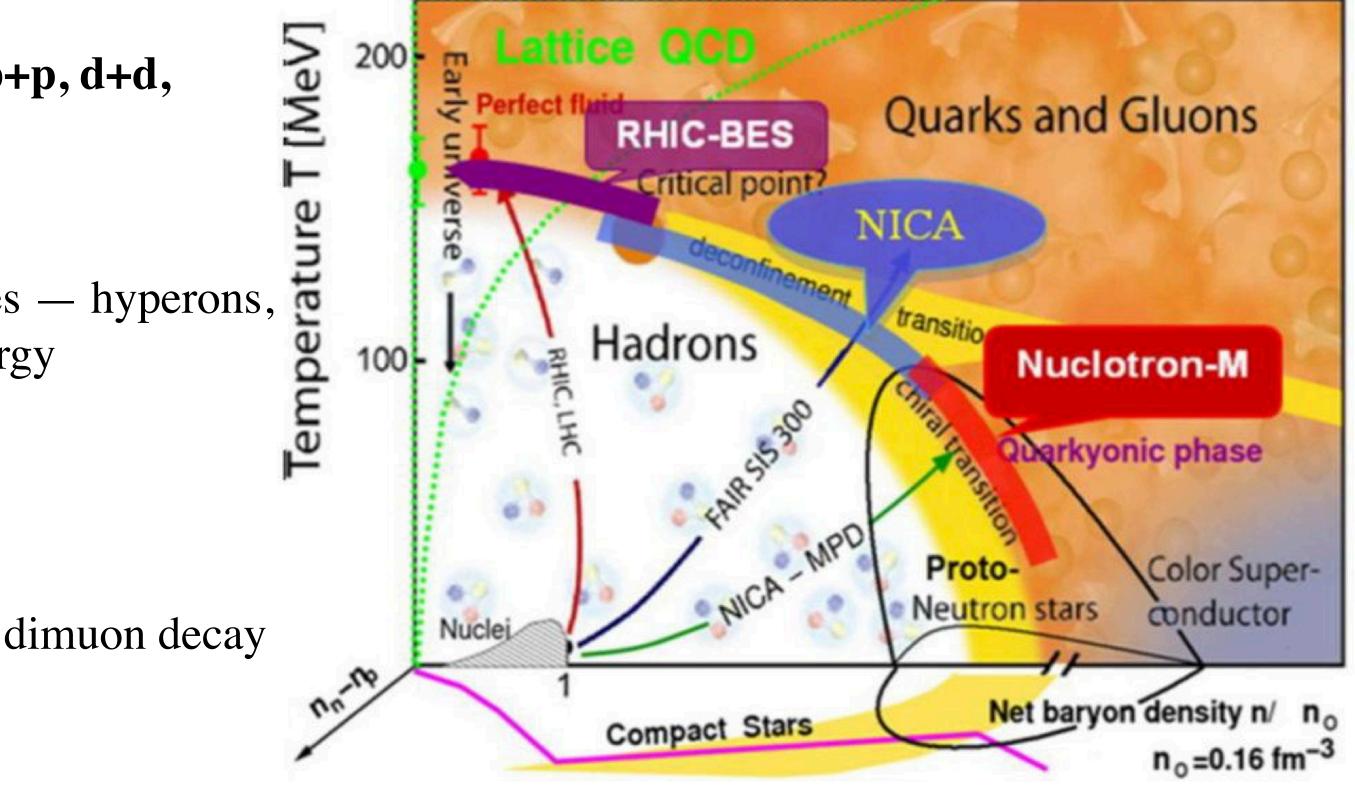
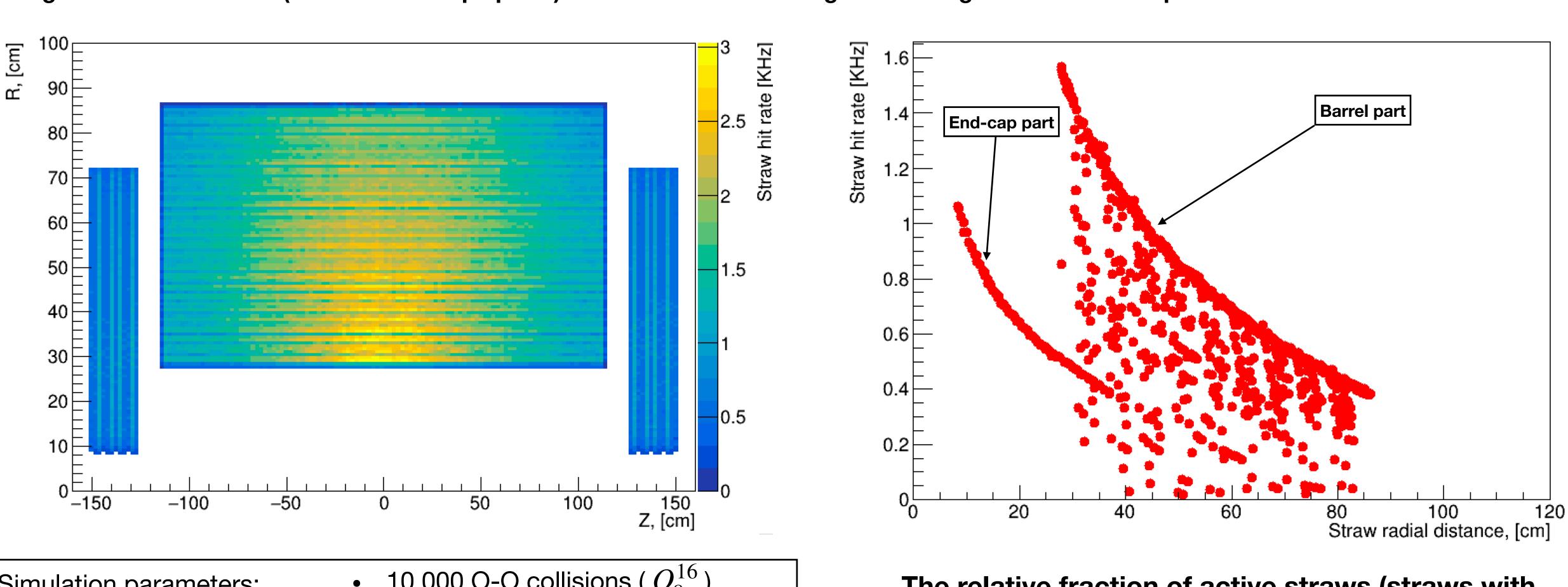


Fig. 22 - NICA position in fundamental physics





Fig. 23 - TS full hit rate (barrel и end-caps parts) in O-O collisions



Simulation parameters:

- 10 000 O-O collisions (O_8^{16})
- Event Generator: URQMD

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$$\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$$

- Minimum bias
- Interaction rate (for colored Z-axis) = 7 kHz

TS full hit rate and straw occupancy in O-O collisions



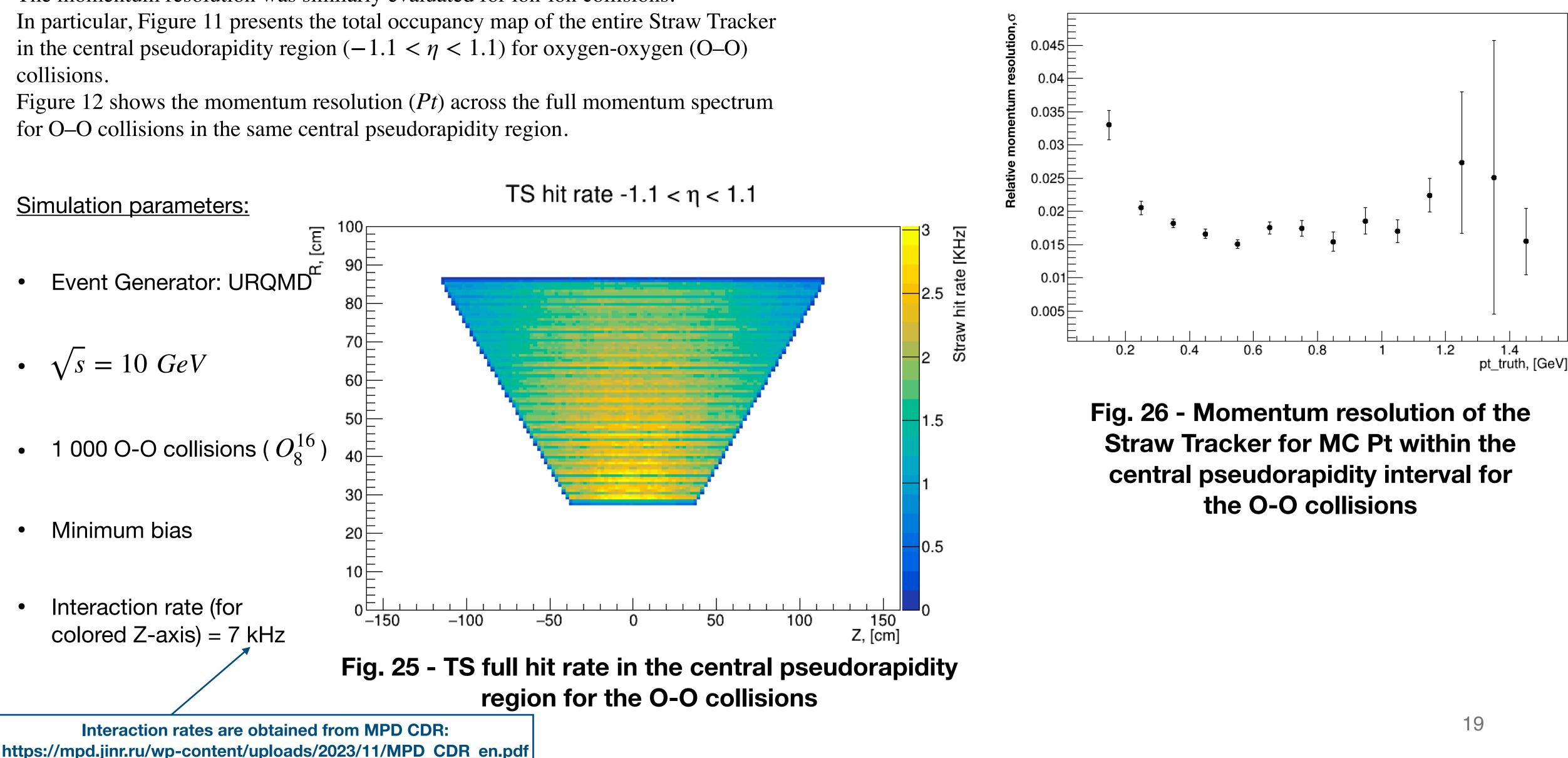
The relative fraction of active straws (straws with at least 1 hit): 6.2%

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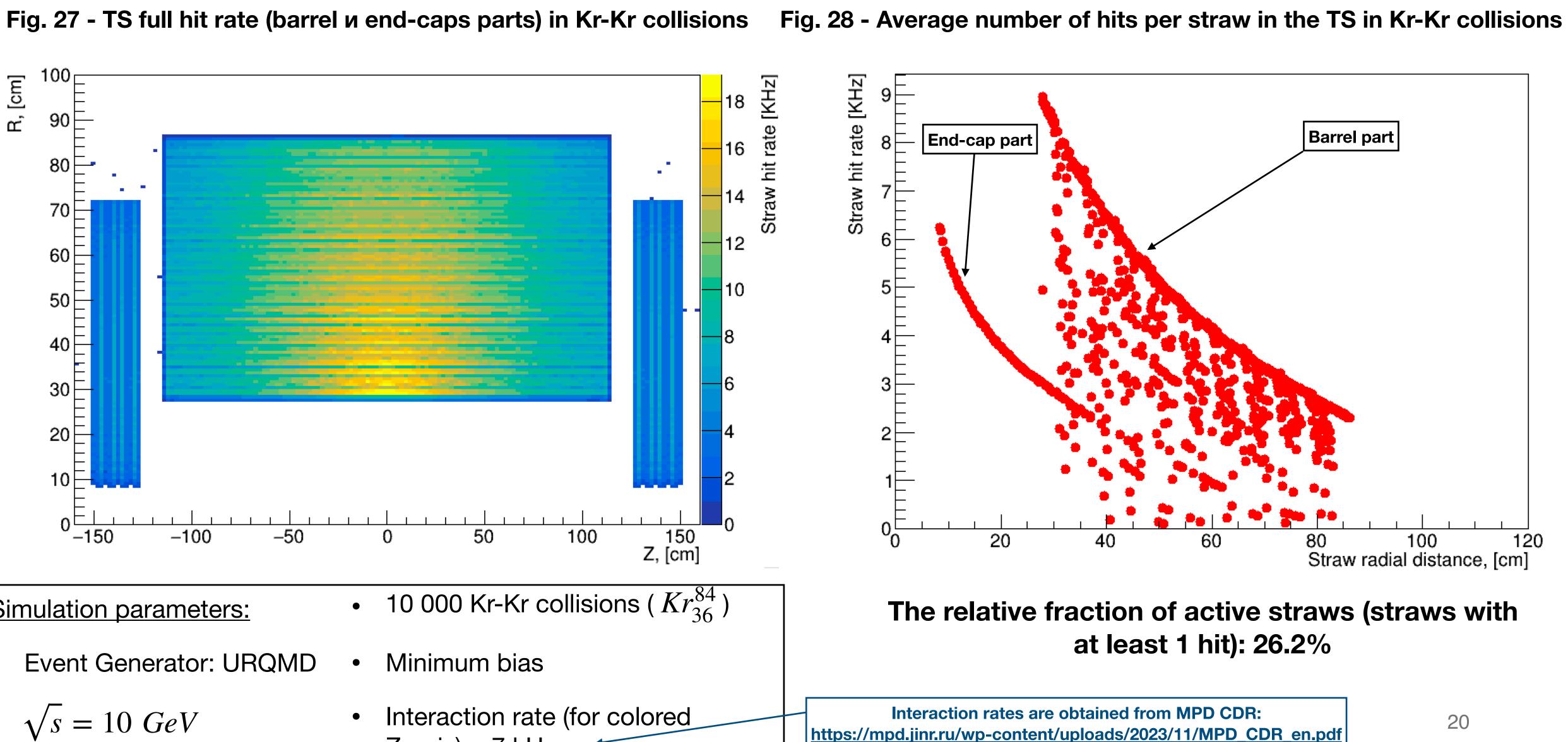
Momentum resolution of the Straw Tracker in O-O collisions

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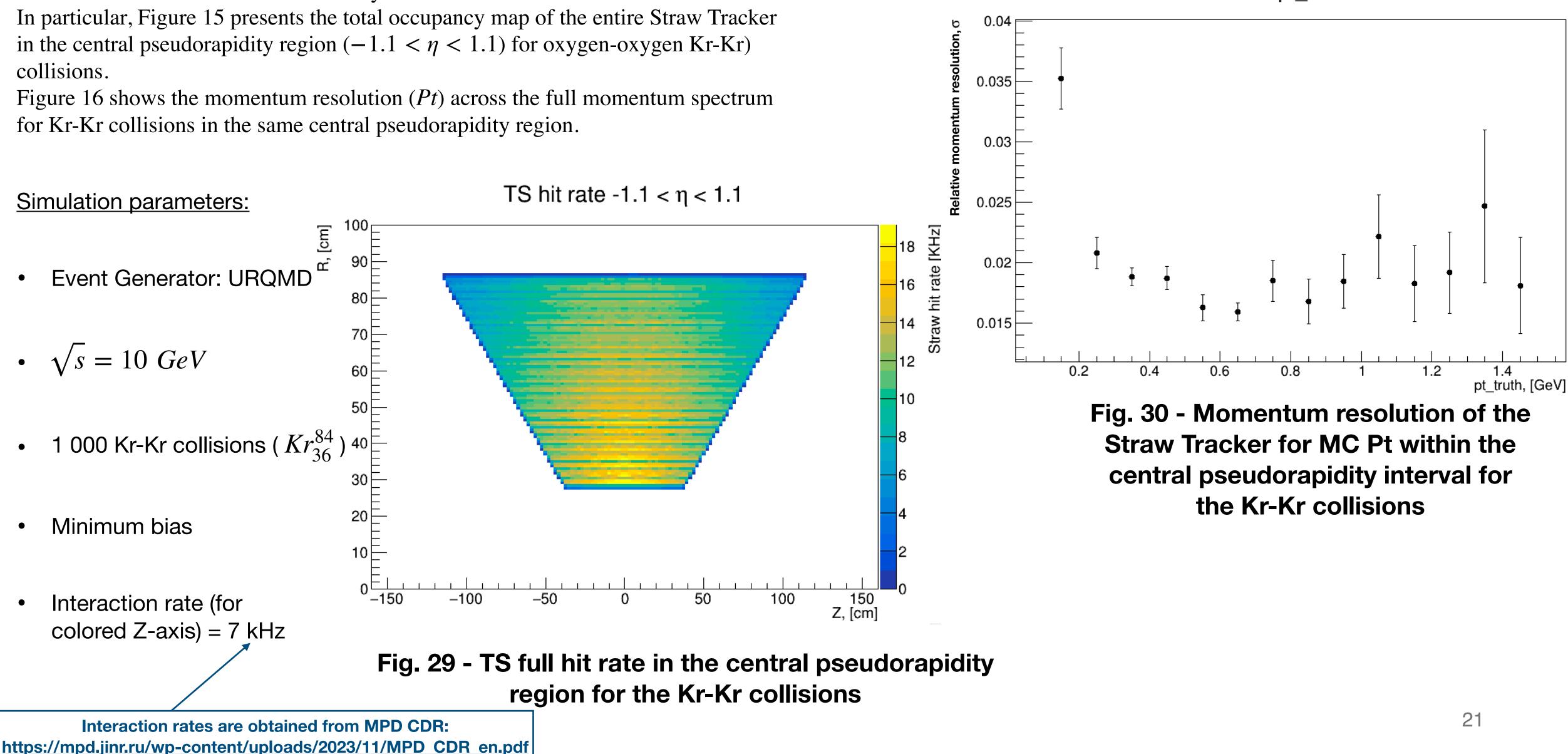
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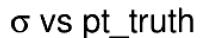
TS full hit rate and straw occupancy in Kr-Kr collisions



Momentum resolution of the Straw Tracker in Kr-Kr collisions

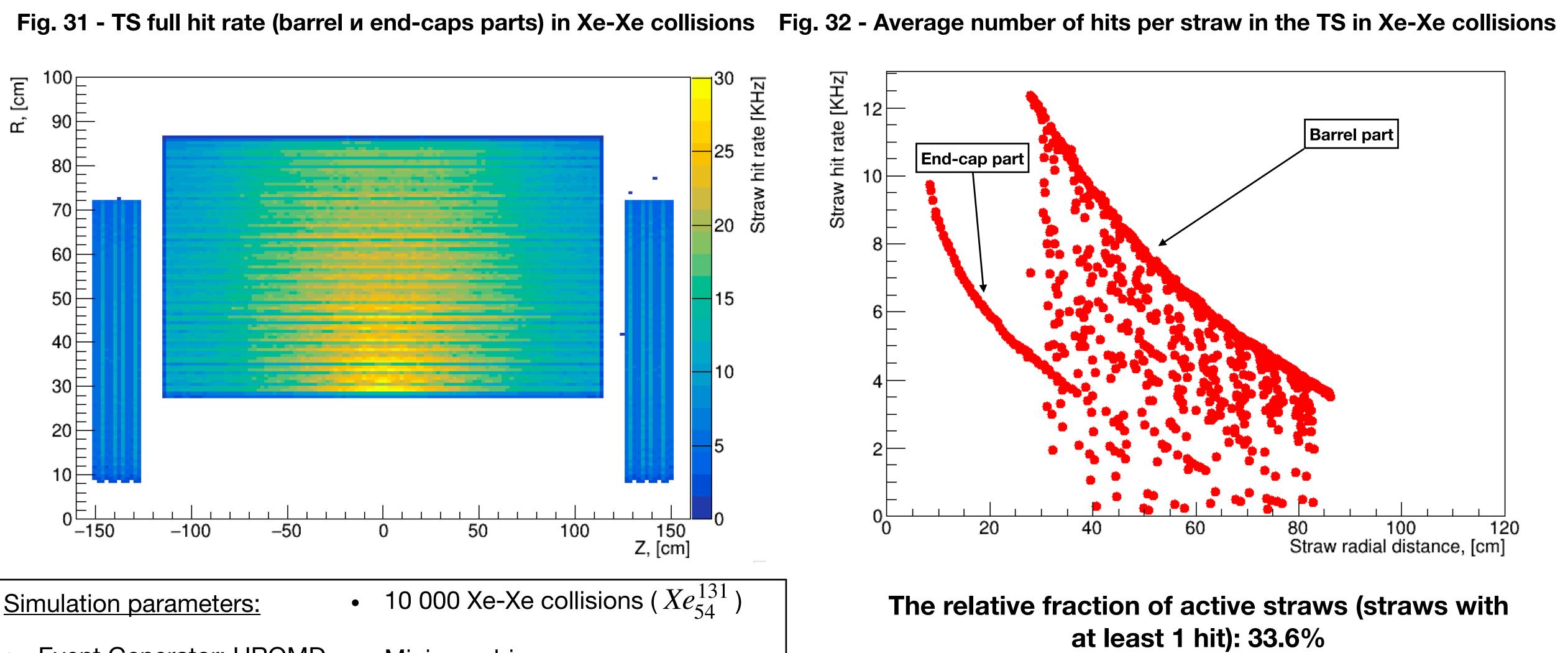
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- Interaction rate (for colored Z-axis) = 7 kHz

TS full hit rate and straw occupancy in Xe-Xe collisions

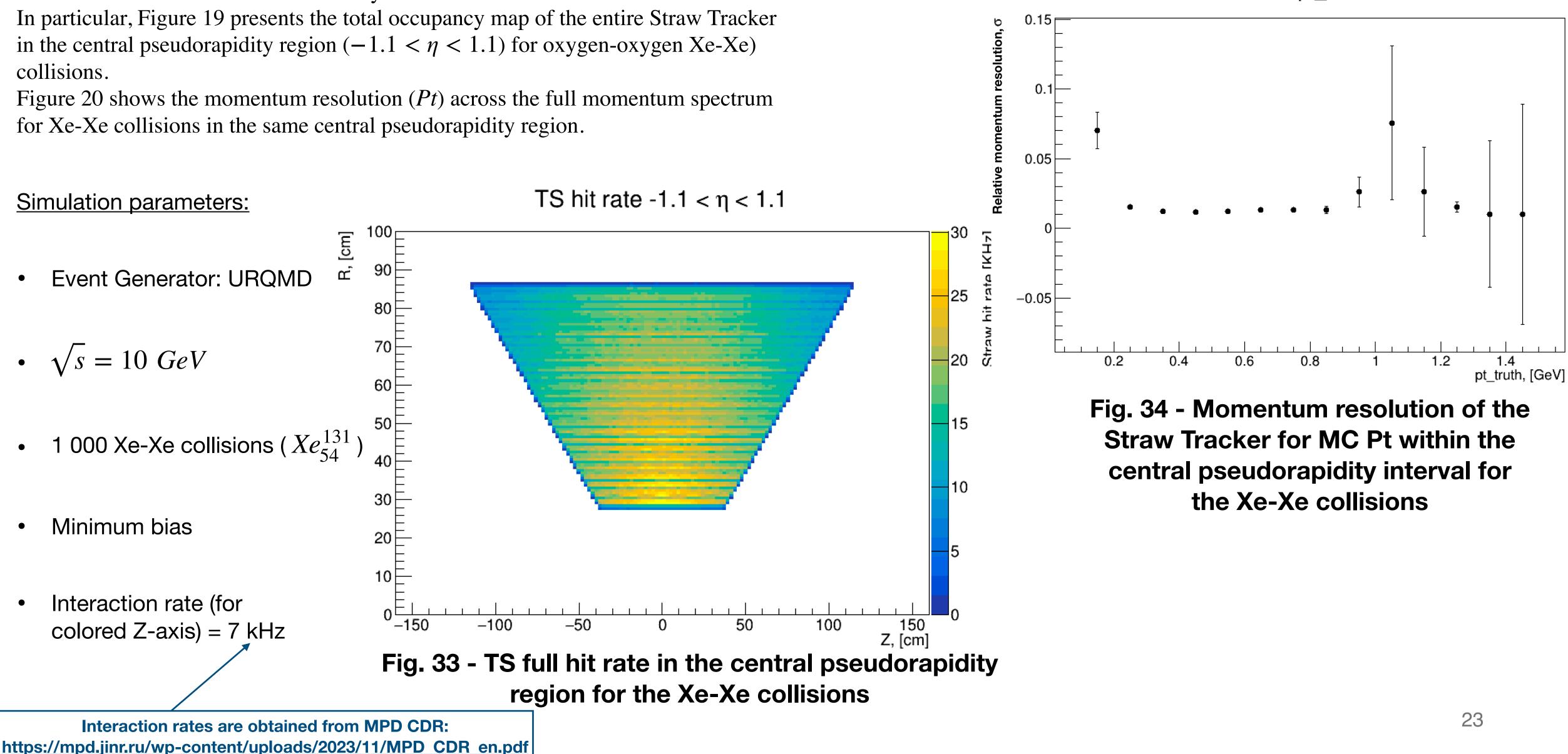


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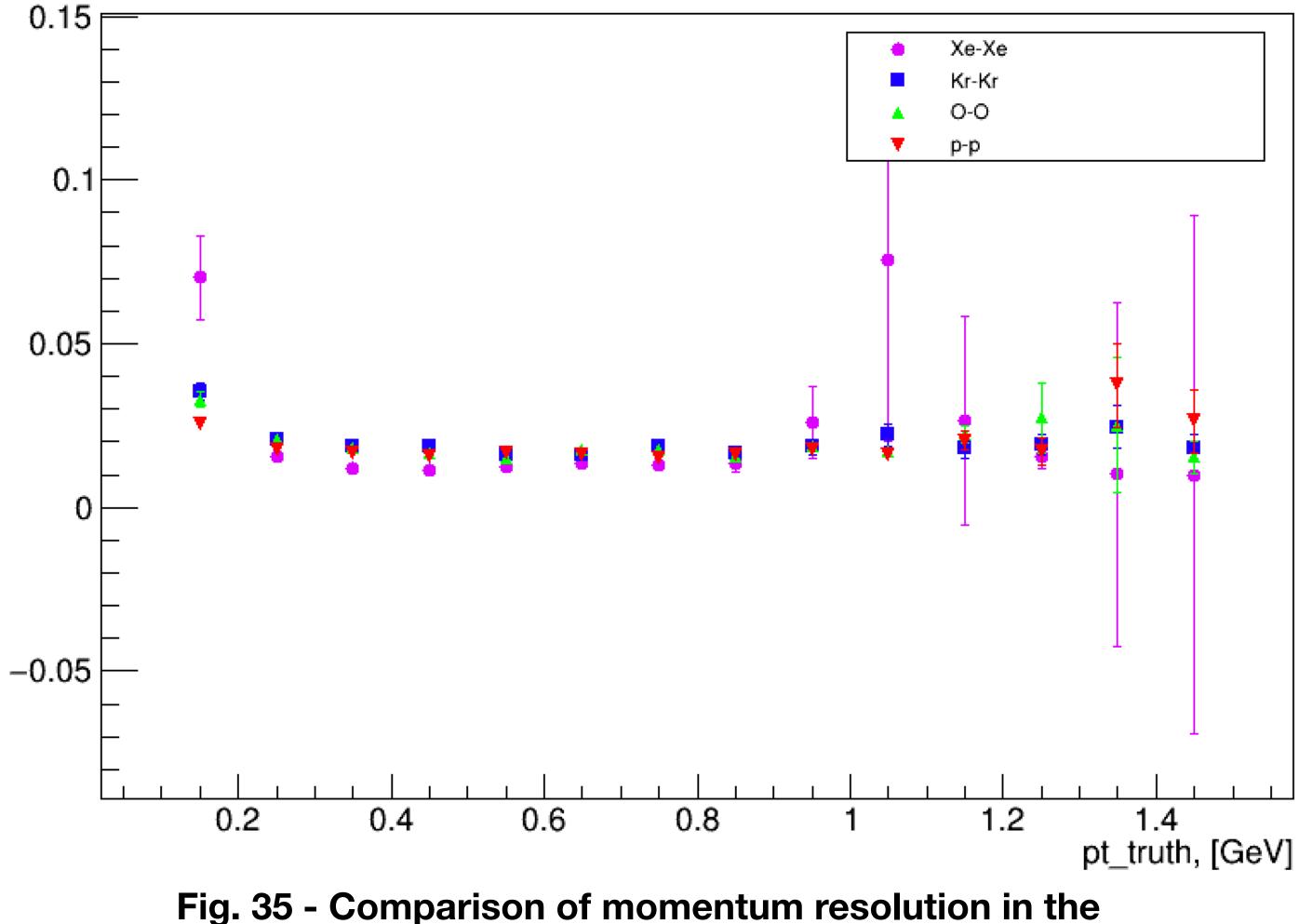
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Comparison of momentum resolution in the Straw Tracker in p-p and ion-ion collisions

p-p and ion-ion sigma comparison

Straw Tracker in p-p and ion-ion collisions





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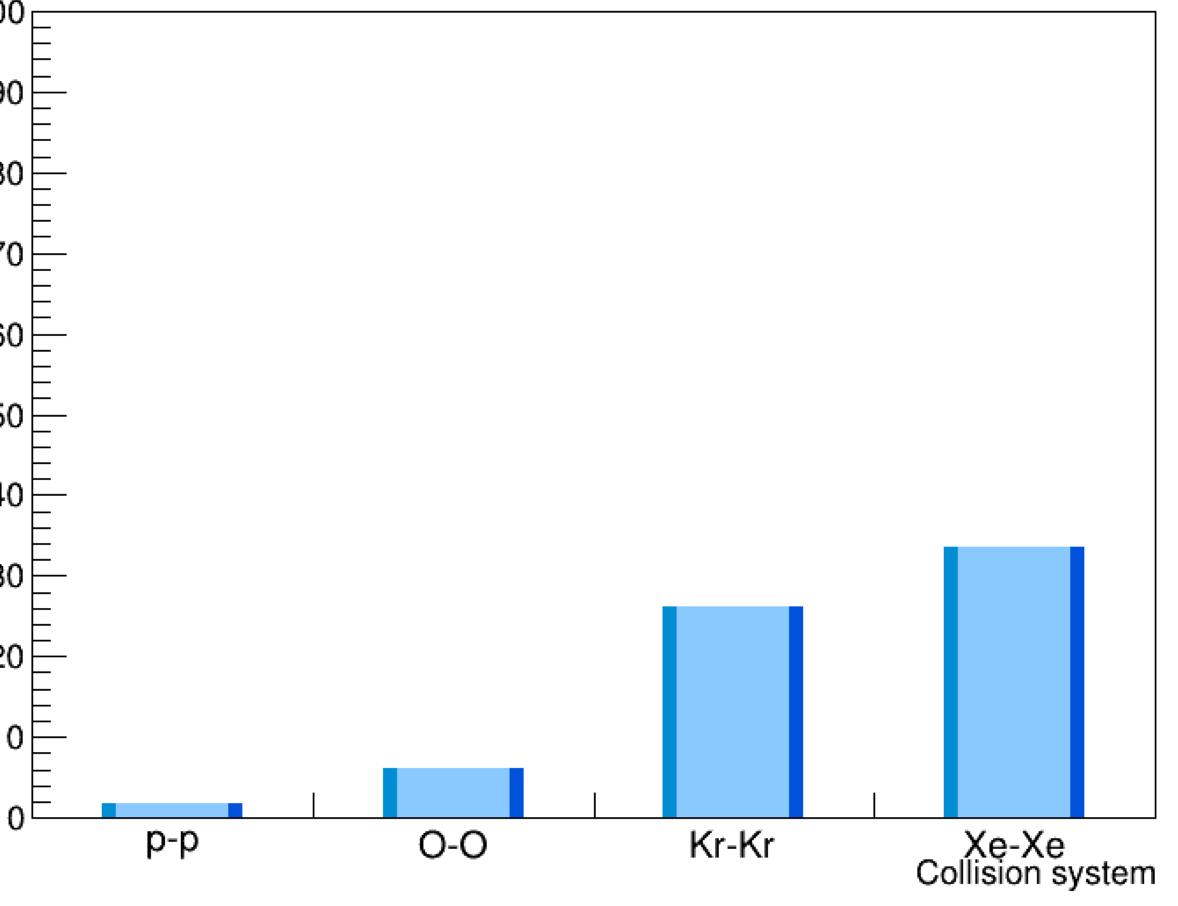
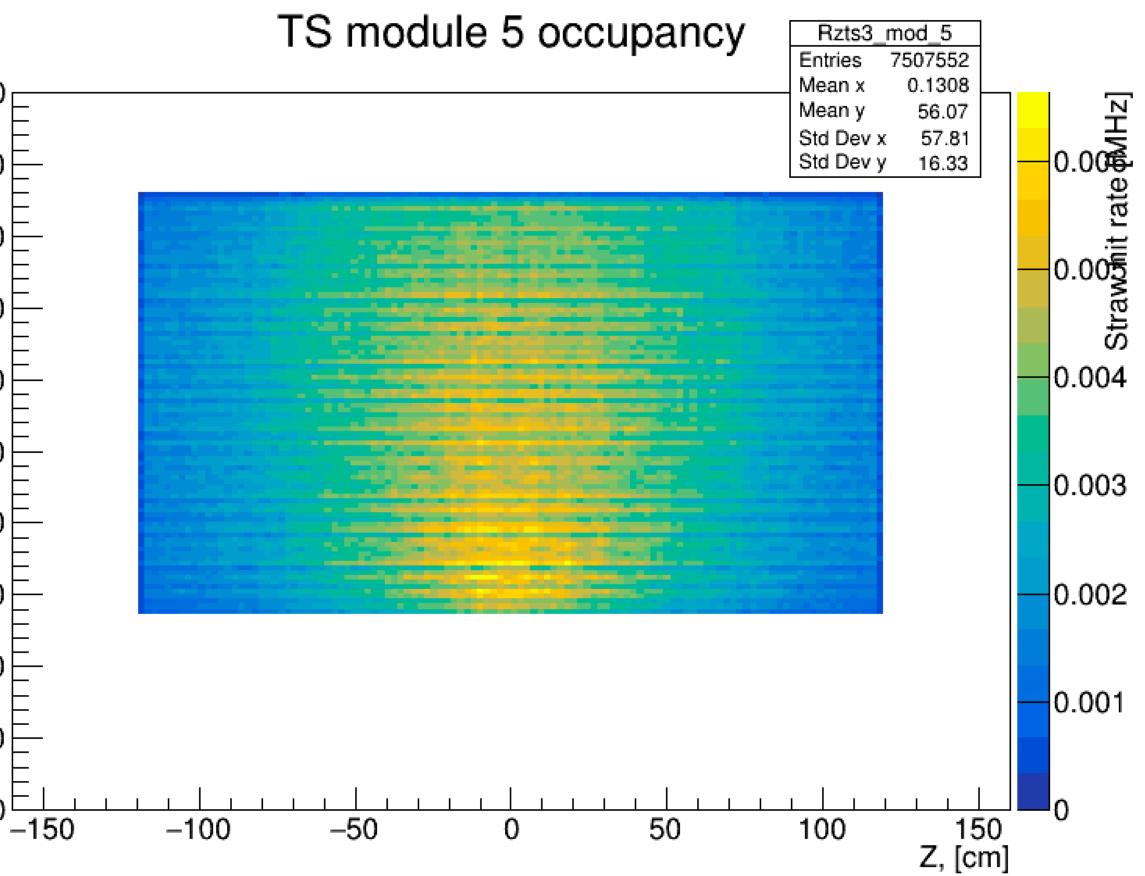


Fig. 36 - Compared relative fraction of active straws in the TS



TS module hit rate in p-p collisions

Additionally, analogous hit rate maps were obtained for each module of the	
Straw Tracker in p-p collisions.	ළ ¹⁰⁰ ස් 90
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 Minimum bias 	0
 Interaction rate (for colored Z-axis) = 0.4 MHz 	Fig. 37 - TS hi



it rate colormap of the 5th barrel module in proton-proton collisions







TS hit rate of the 5th barrel module in p-p collisions

Simulation parameters:

Event Generator: Pythia8 \bullet

•
$$\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$$

- 100 000 p-p collisions \bullet
- Layer number 15
- Minimum bias
- Interaction rate (for colored lacksquareZ-axis) = 0.4 MHz

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TS layer hit rate in p-p collisions

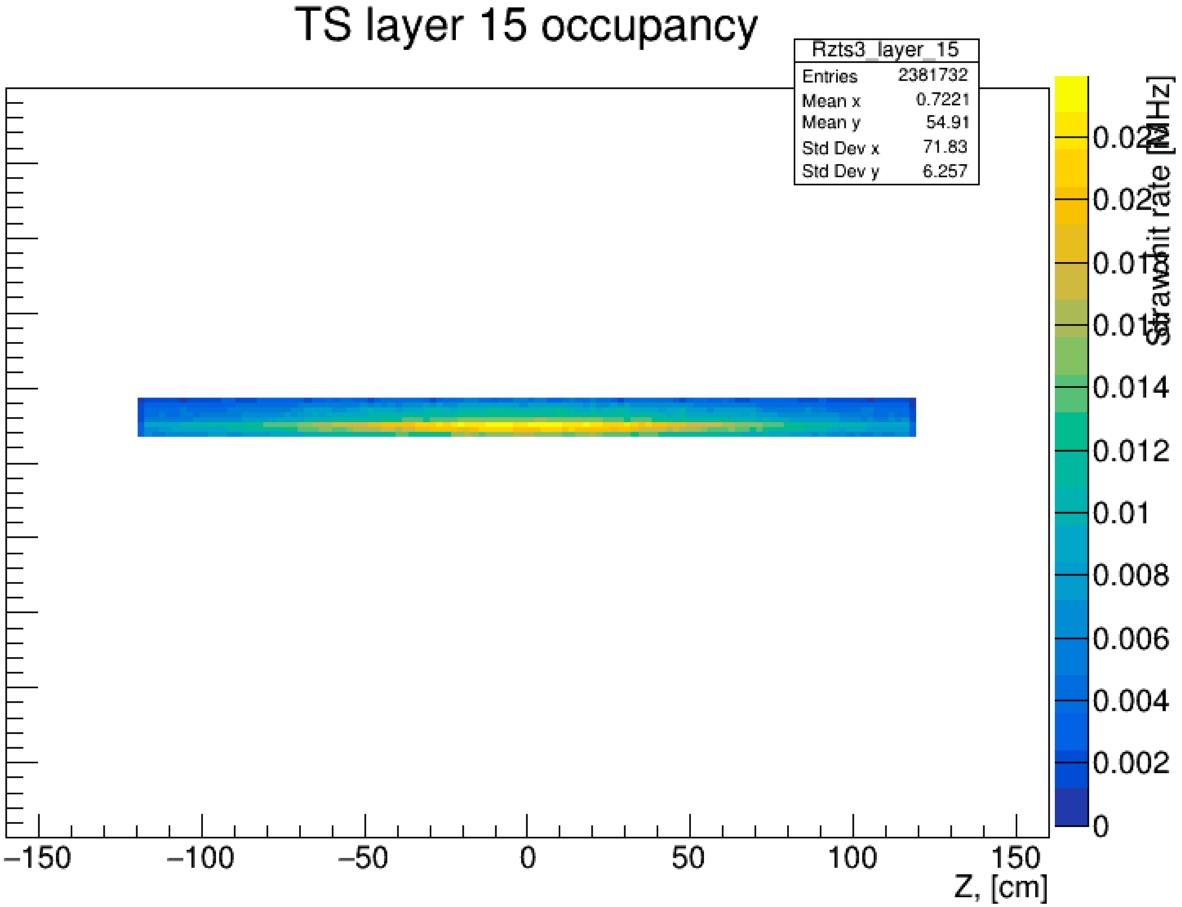


Fig. 38 - TS hit rate colormap of the 15th layer in p-p collisions



TS module hit rate in ion-ion collisions (O-O)

Additionally, analogous hit rate maps were obtained for each module of the Straw Tracker in ion-ion (O-O) collisions.

Simulation parameters:

- Event Generator: URQMD
- $\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$
- 10 000 O-O collisions (O_8^{16})
- Module number 5
- Minimum bias
- Interaction rate (for colored Z-axis) = 7 kHz

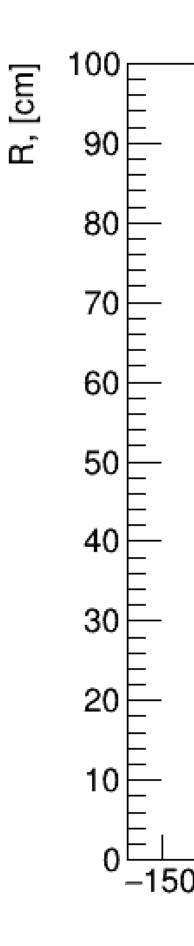
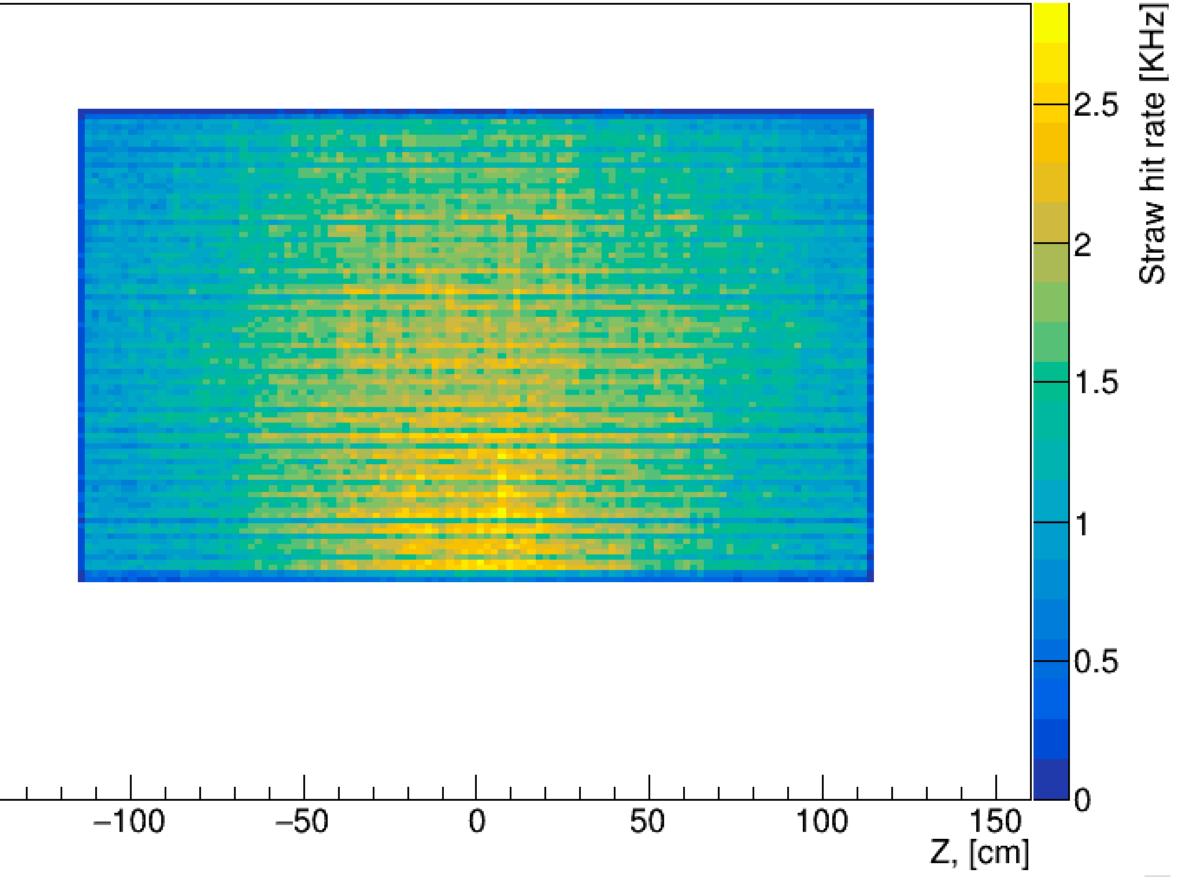


Fig. 39 - TS hit rate colormap of the 5th barrel module in O-O collisions

TS module 5 hit rate





TS layer hit rate in ion-ion collisions (O-O)

Occupancy of the 5th barrel module in ion-ion (O-O) collisions

Simulation parameters:

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- Module number 15
- Minimum bias
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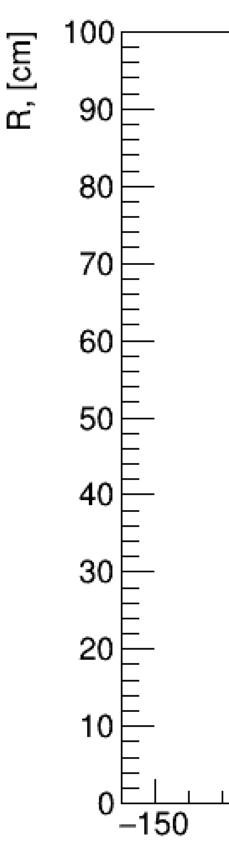
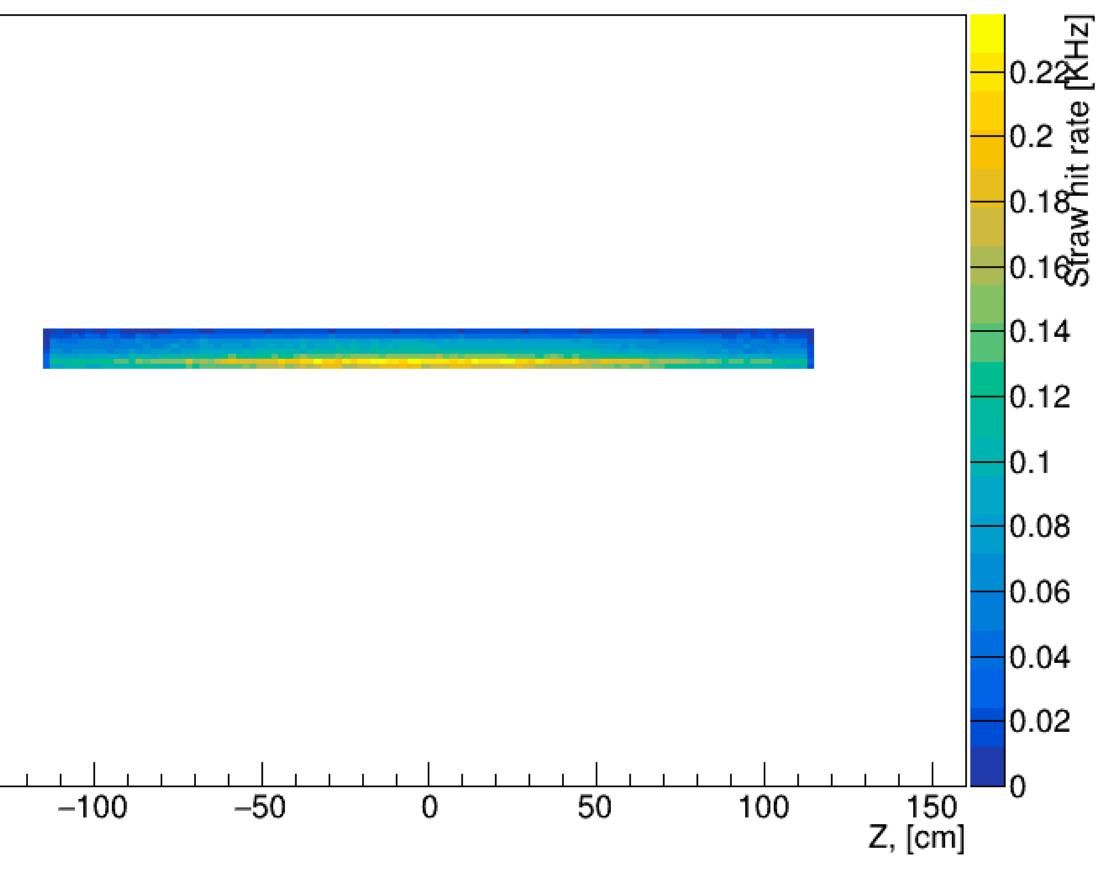


Fig. 40 - TS hit rate colormap of the 15th layer in O-O collisions

TS layer 15 hit rate





TS module hit rate in ion-ion collisions (Kr-Kr)

Additionally, analogous hit rate colormaps were obtained for each module of the Straw Tracker in ion-ion (Kr-Kr) collisions.

Simulation parameters:

- **Event Generator: URQMD** •
- $\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$
- 10 000 Kr-Kr collisions (Kr_{36}^{84}) •
- Module number 5
- Minimum bias
- Interaction rate (for colored Z-axis) = 7 kHz

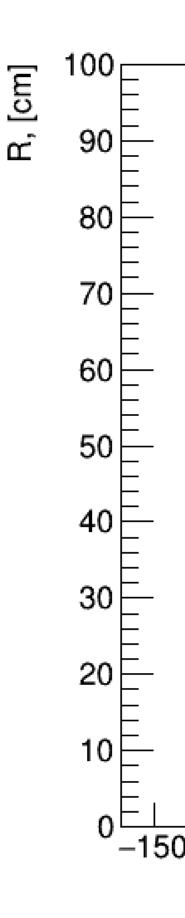
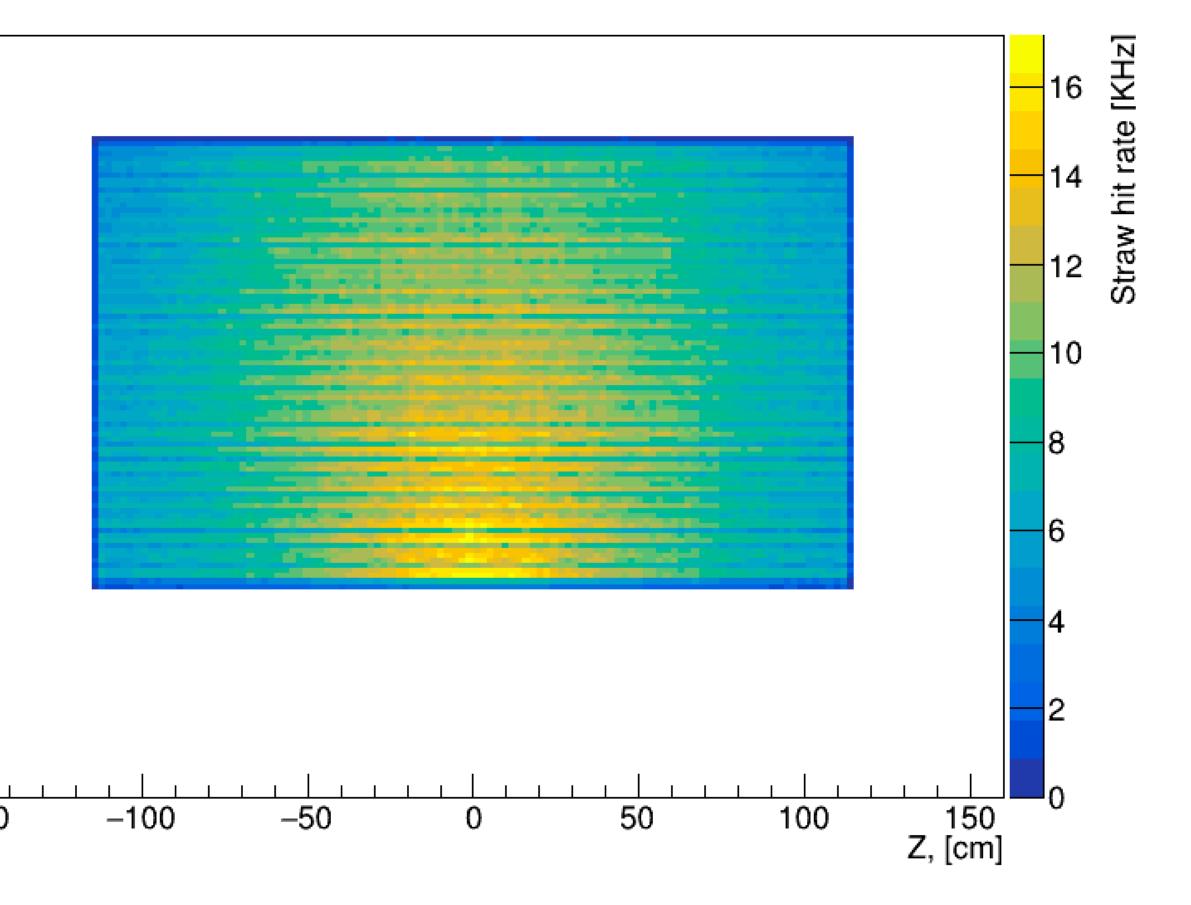


Fig. 41 - TS module hit rate colormap of the 5th barrel module in Kr-Kr collisions

• Kr_{36}^{84} is used for simulations

TS module 5 hit rate



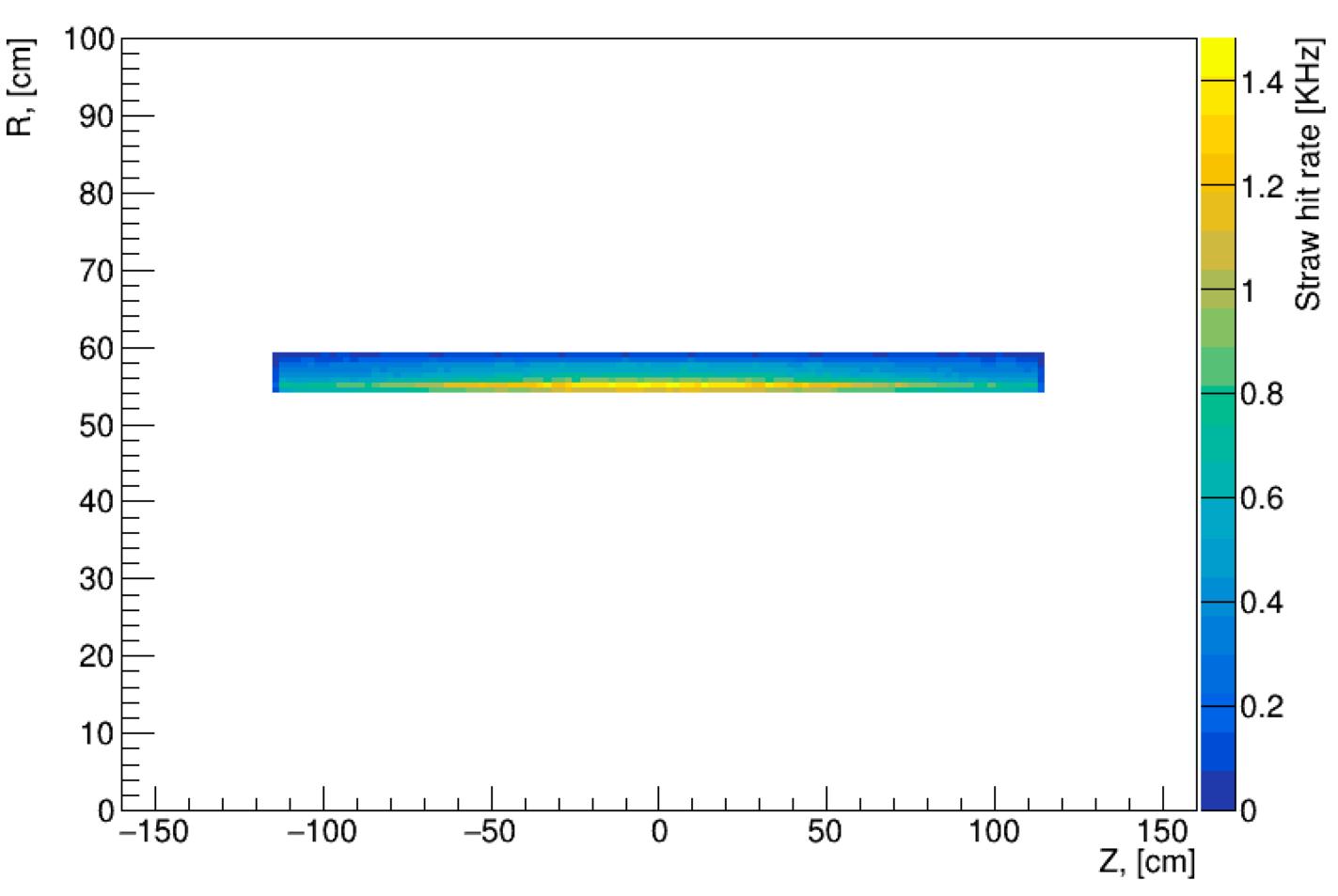


TS layer hit rate in ion-ion collisions (Kr-Kr)

Fig. 28 shows the Hit rate colormap of the 5th barrel module in ion-ion (Kr-Kr) collisions

Simulation parameters:

- **Event Generator: URQMD** \bullet
- $\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$
- 10 000 Kr-Kr collisions (Kr_{36}^{84}) ullet
- Module number 15 \bullet
- Minimum bias •
- Interaction rate (for colored Z-axis) = 7 kHz •
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TS layer 15 hit rate

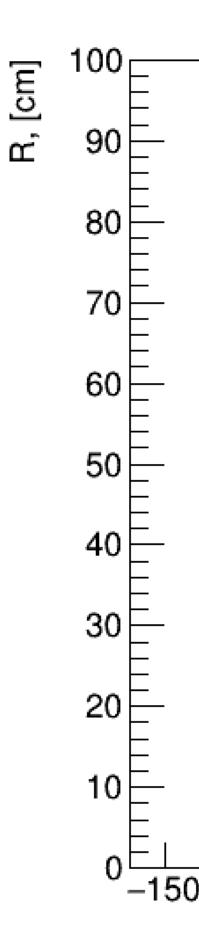
Fig. 42 - TS hit rate colormap of the 15th layer in Kr-Kr collisions



Additionally, analogous hit rate colormaps were obtained for each module of the Straw Tracker in ion-ion (Xe-Xe) collisions.

Simulation parameters:

- Event Generator: URQMD \bullet
- $\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$
- 10 000 Xe-Xe collisions (Xe_{54}^{131}) •
- Module number 5 \bullet
- Minimum bias
- Interaction rate (for colored Z-axis) = 7 kHz •



TS module hit rate in ion-ion collisions (Xe-Xe)

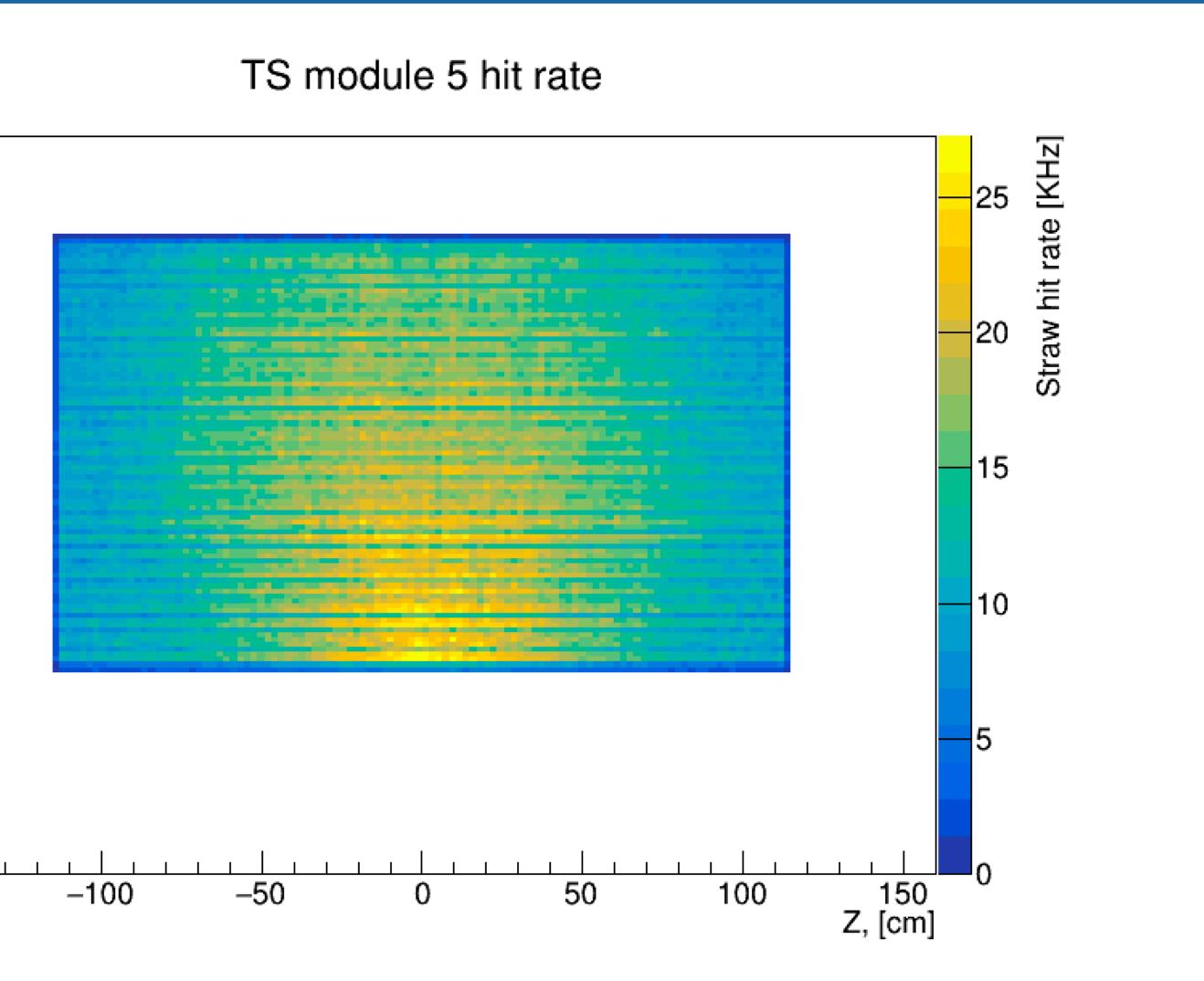


Fig. 43 - TS module hit rate colormap of the 5th barrel module in Xe-Xe collisions



100 Fig. 30 shows the Hit rate colormap of the 5th barrel R, [cm] module in ion-ion (Xe-Xe) collisions 90 Simulation parameters: 80 70 **Event Generator: URQMD** \bullet 60 • $\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$ 50 40 10 000 Xe-Xe collisions (Xe_{54}^{131}) • 30 20 Module number - 15 \bullet 10

- Minimum bias \bullet
- Interaction rate (for colored Z-axis) = 7 kHz

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TS layer 15 hit rate

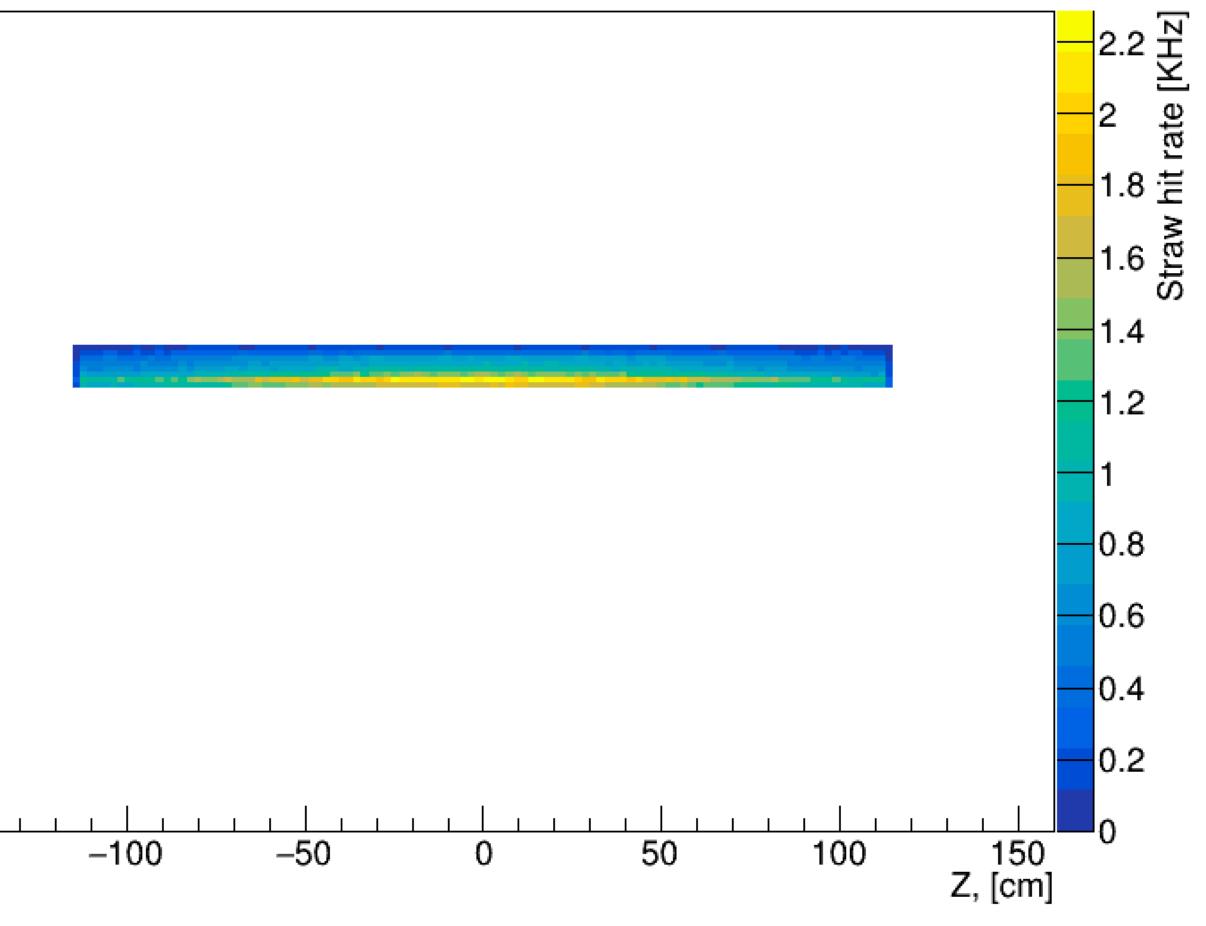
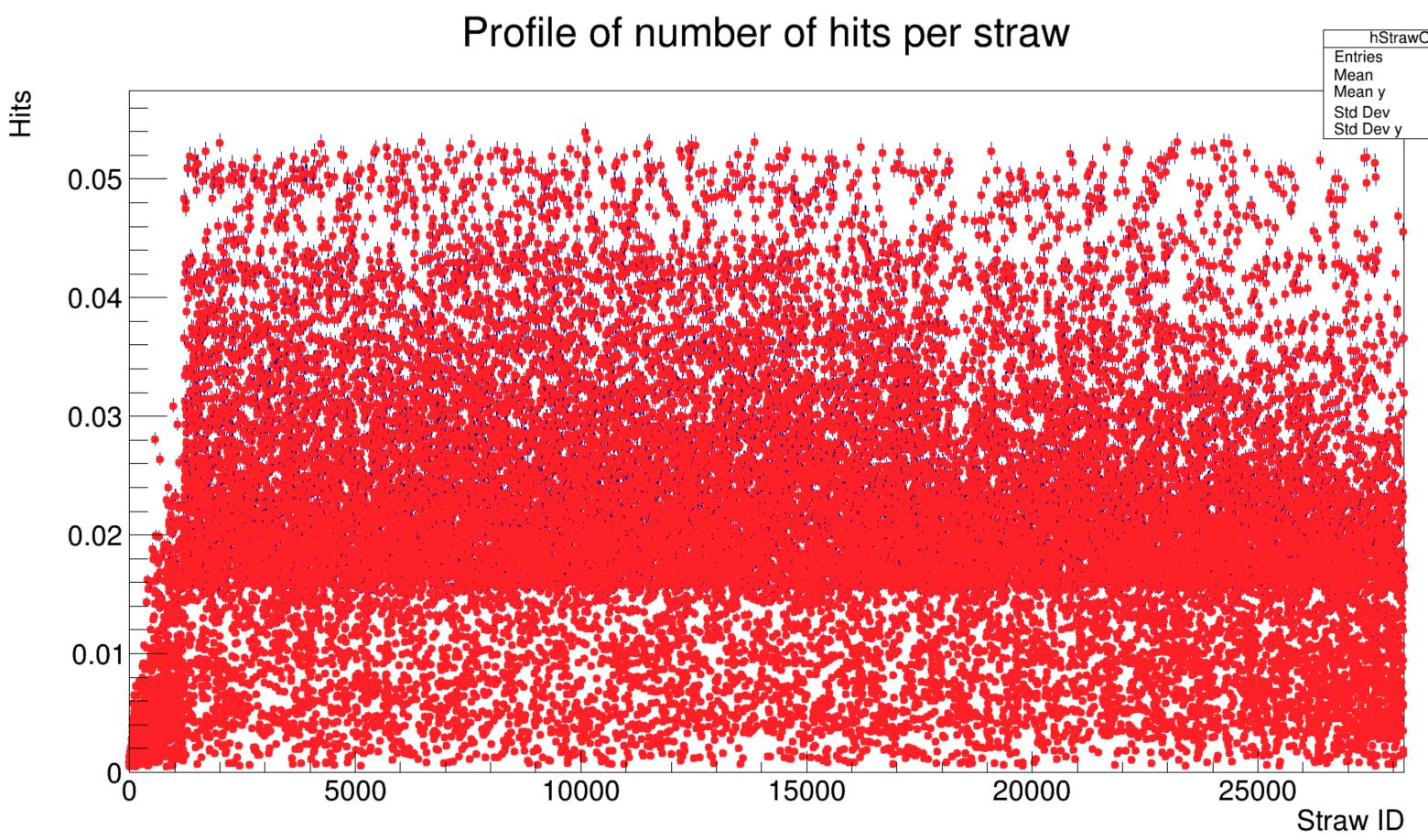


Fig. 44 - TS hit rate colormap of the 15th layer in Xe-Xe collisions



Simulation parameters:

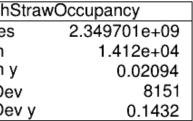
- Event Generator: Pythia8 lacksquare
- $\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$
- 1000 p-p collisions \bullet
- Minimum bias





Average number of hits per straw in the TS in p-p collisions (alternative view)

Fig. 45 - Average number of hits per straw in the TS in p-p collisions



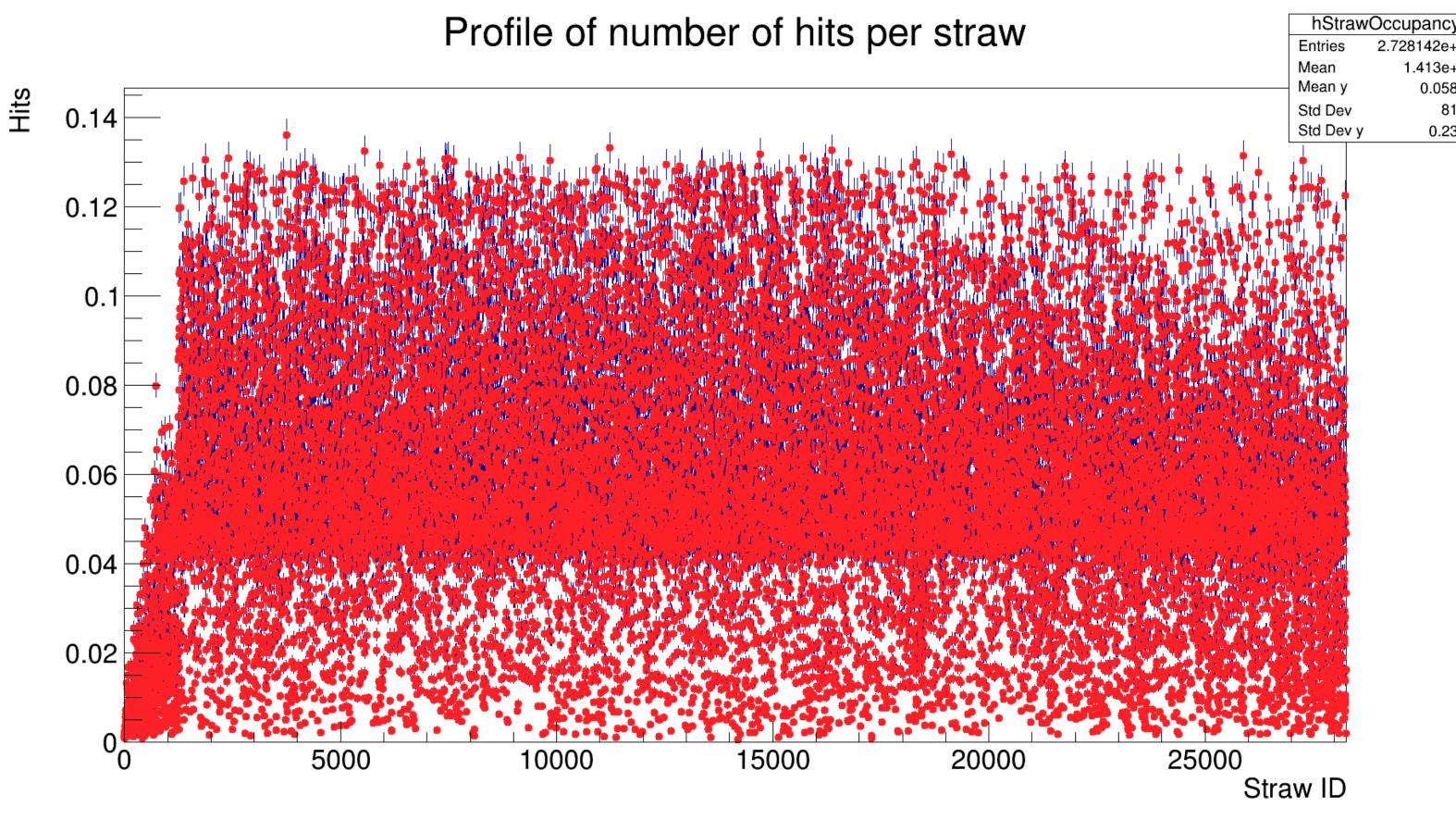


Simulation parameters:

Event Generator: URQMD \bullet

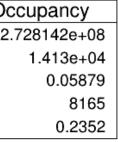
•
$$\sqrt{s} = 10 \ GeV$$

- 1000 O-O collisions (O_8^{16})
- Minimum bias \bullet



Average number of hits per straw in the TS in O-O collisions (alternative view)

Fig. 46 - Average number of hits per straw in the TS in O-O collisions (alternative view)

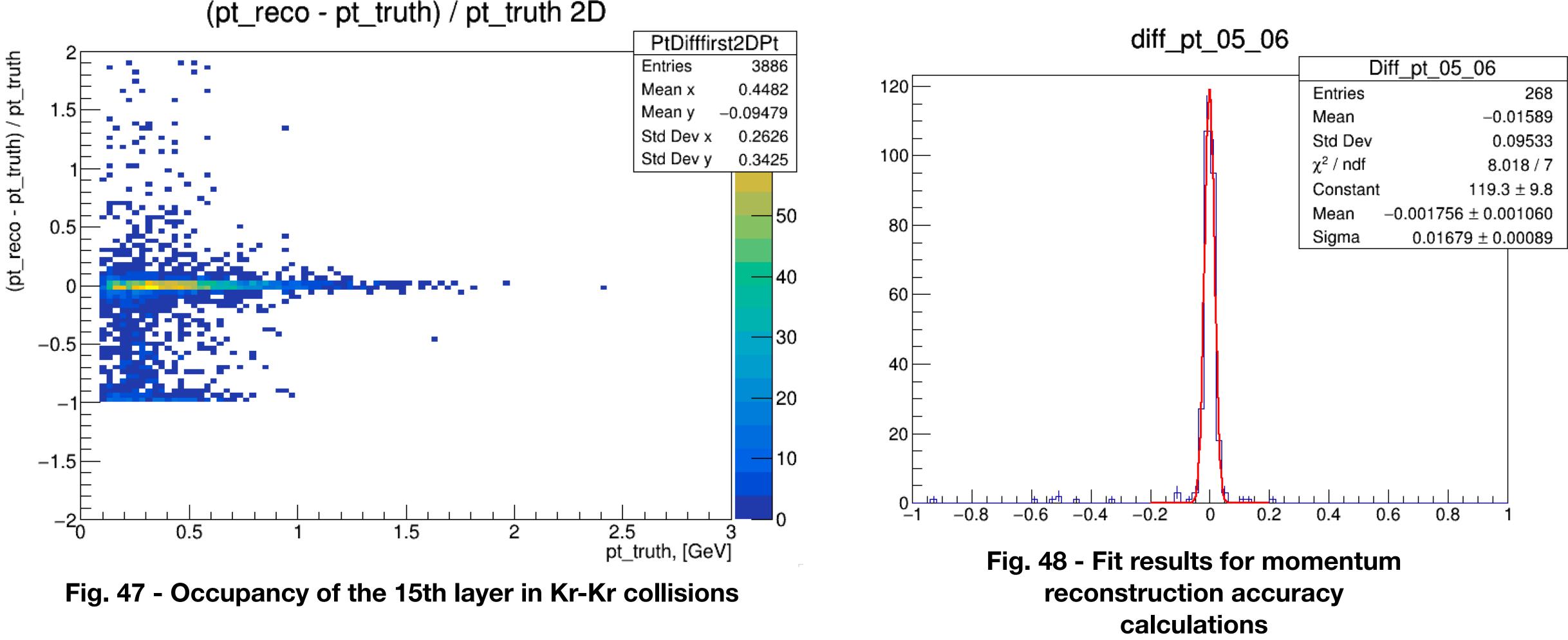








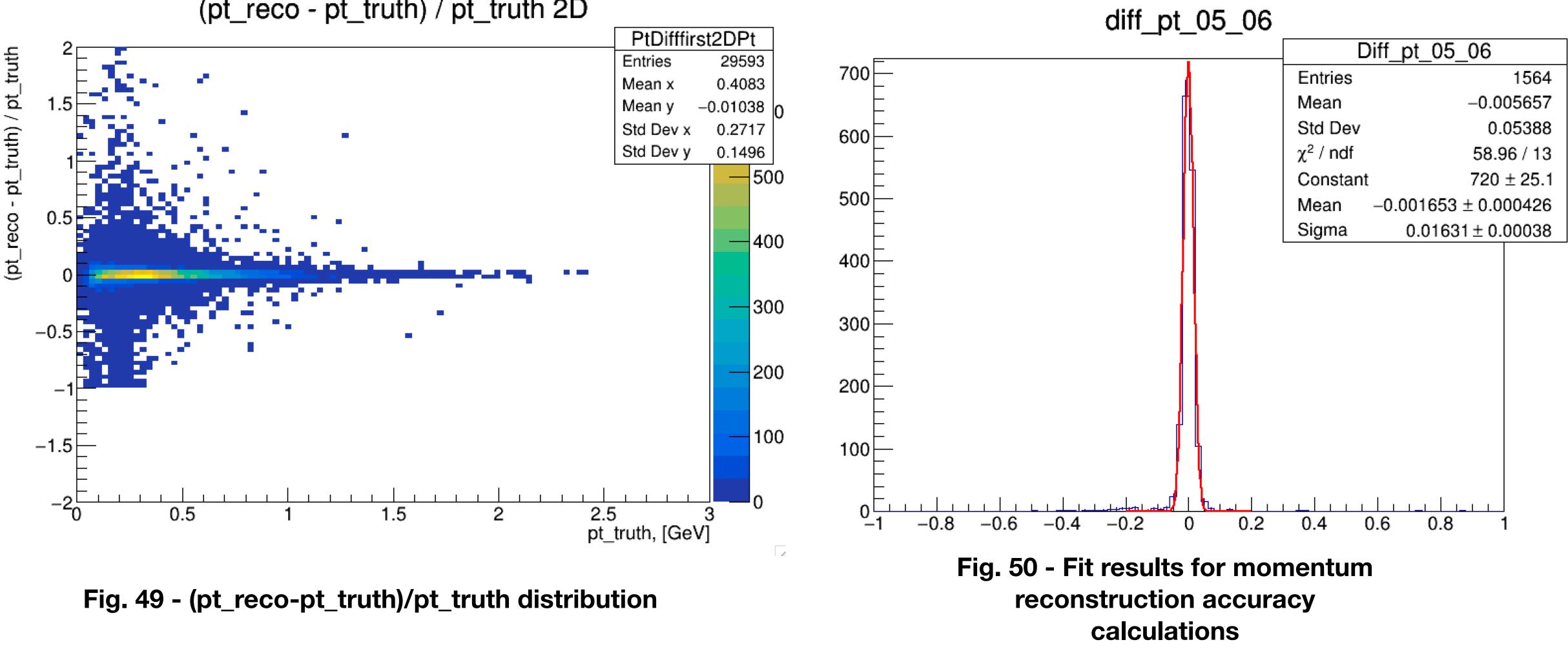
How accuracy reconstruction was calculated



Momentum reconstruction accuracy



How accuracy reconstruction was calculated



(pt_reco - pt_truth) / pt_truth 2D

Momentum reconstruction accuracy (alternate reco)



Particles parameters from the generator

J/psi #Etta distribution

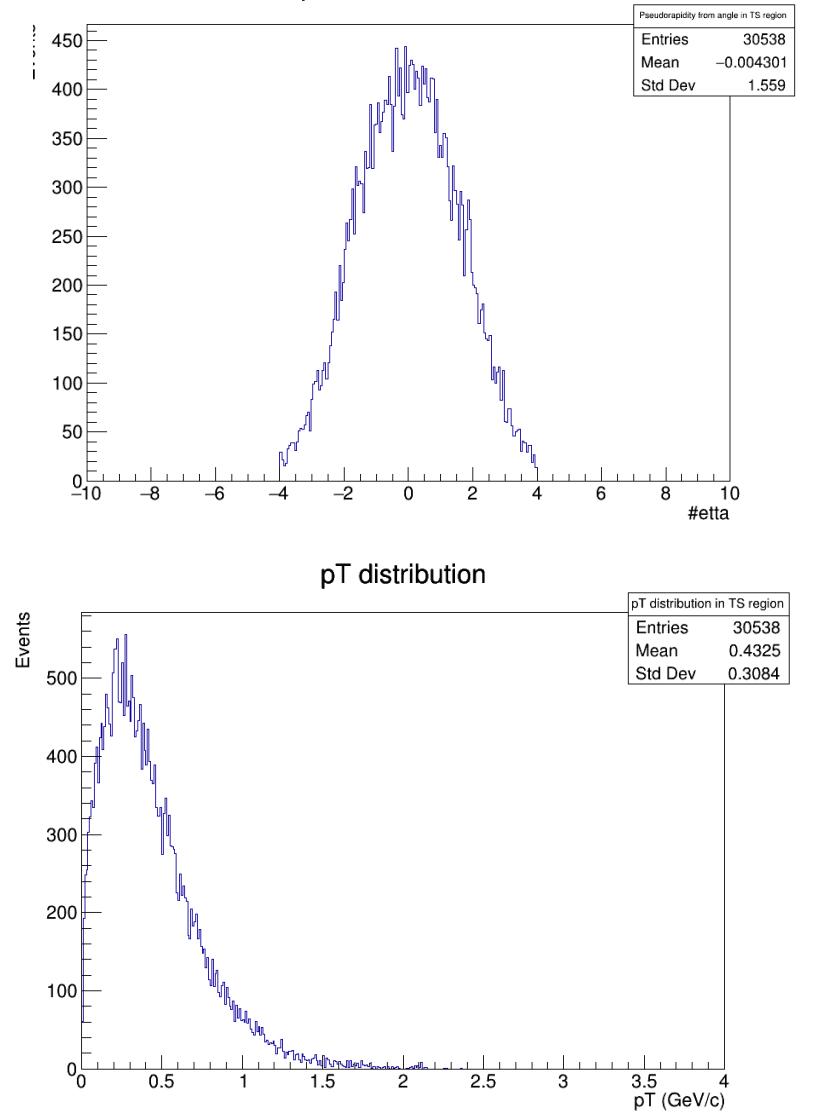
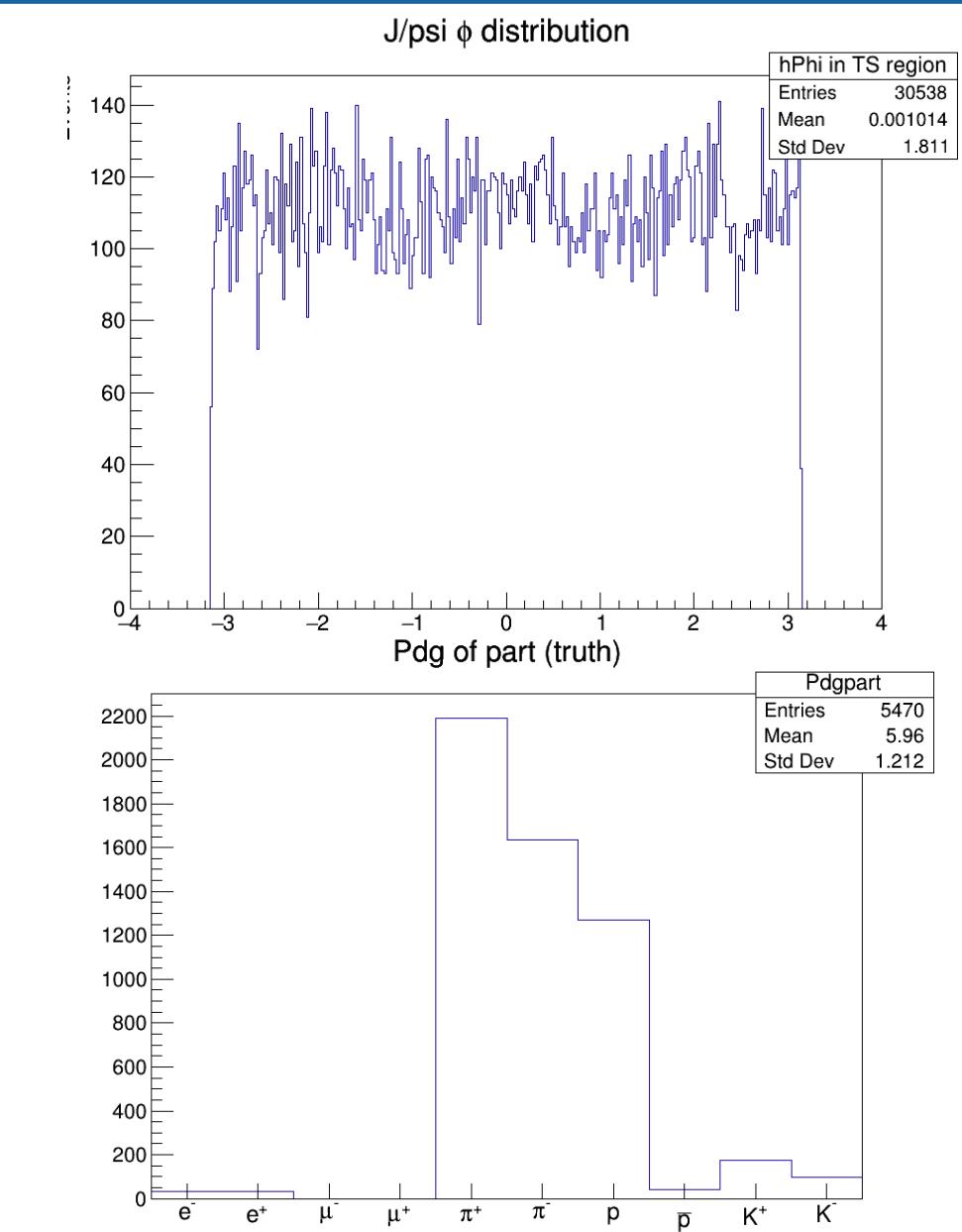
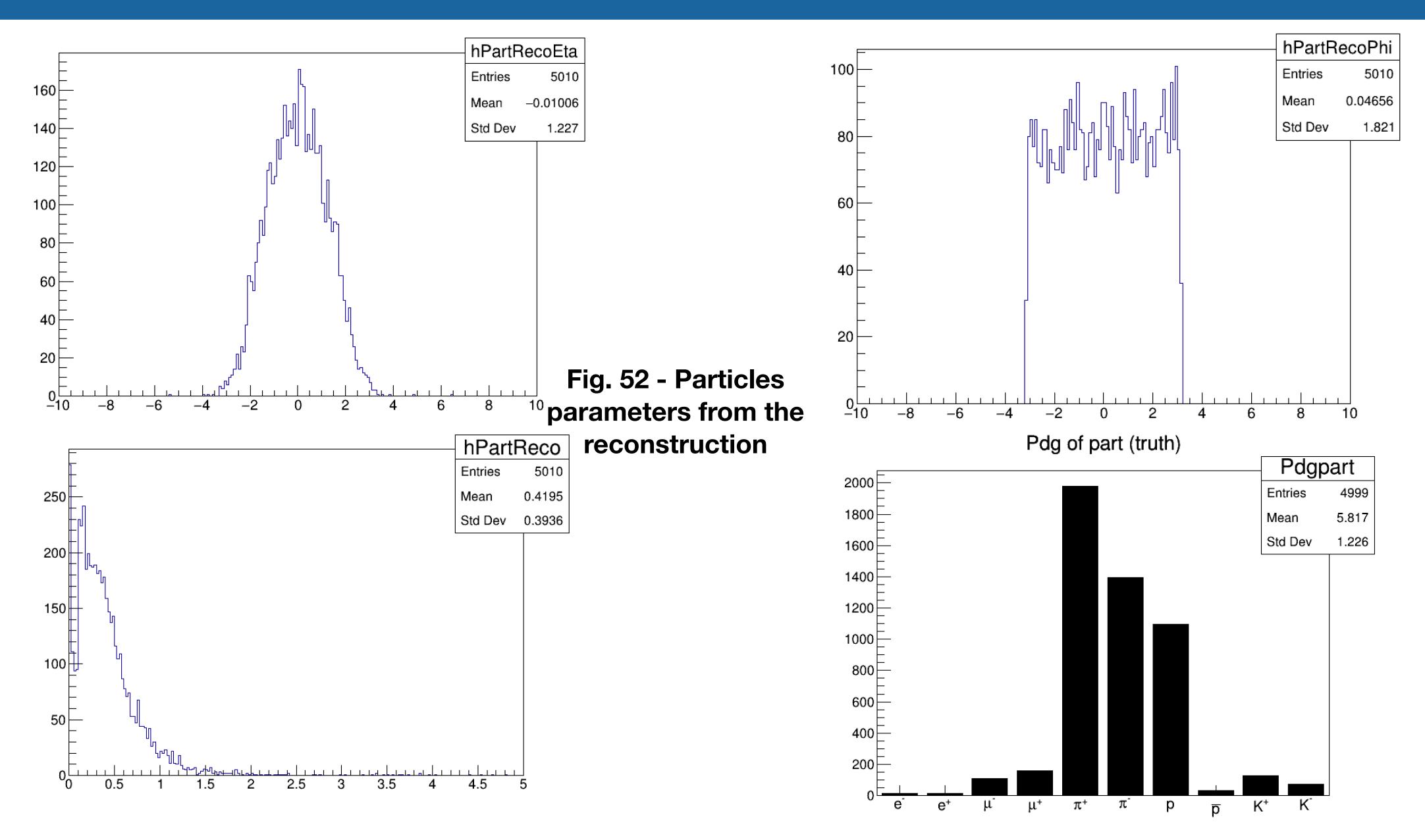


Fig. 51 - Particles parameters from the generator







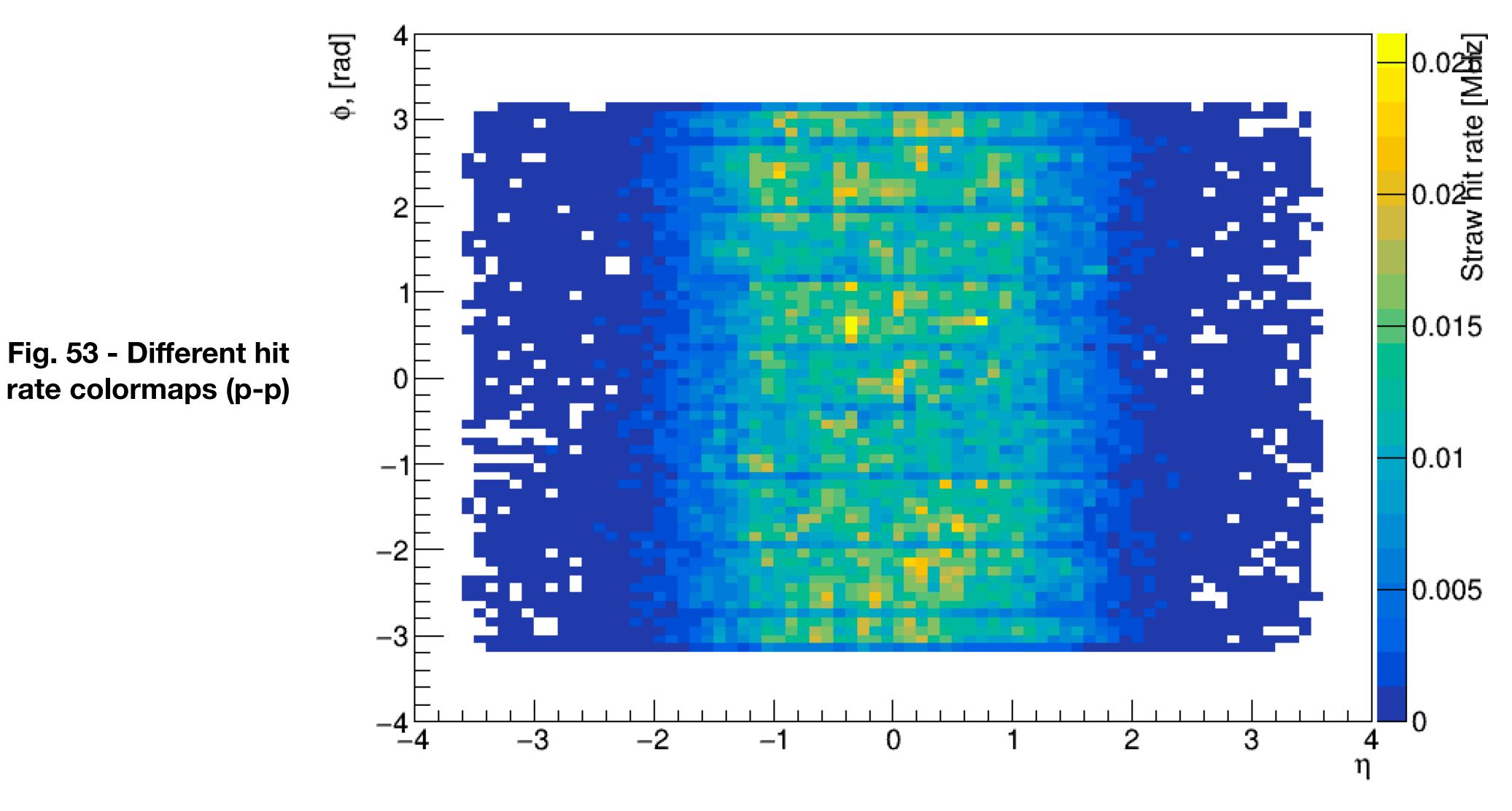


Particles parameters from the reconstruction

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Different hit rate colormaps (p-p)





Different hit rate colormaps (O-O)

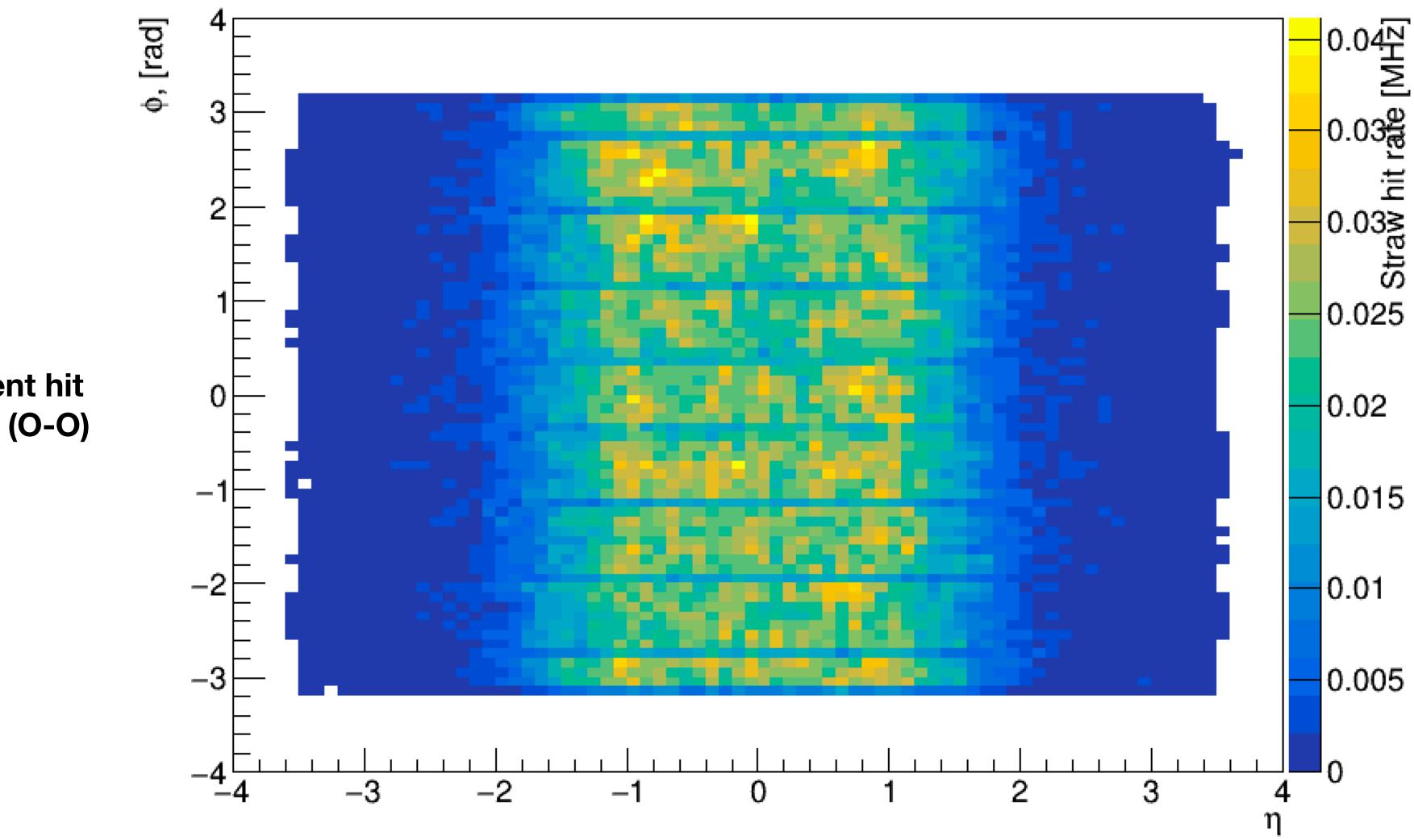


Fig. 54 - Different hit rate colormaps (O-O)



Different hit rate colormaps (Kr-Kr)

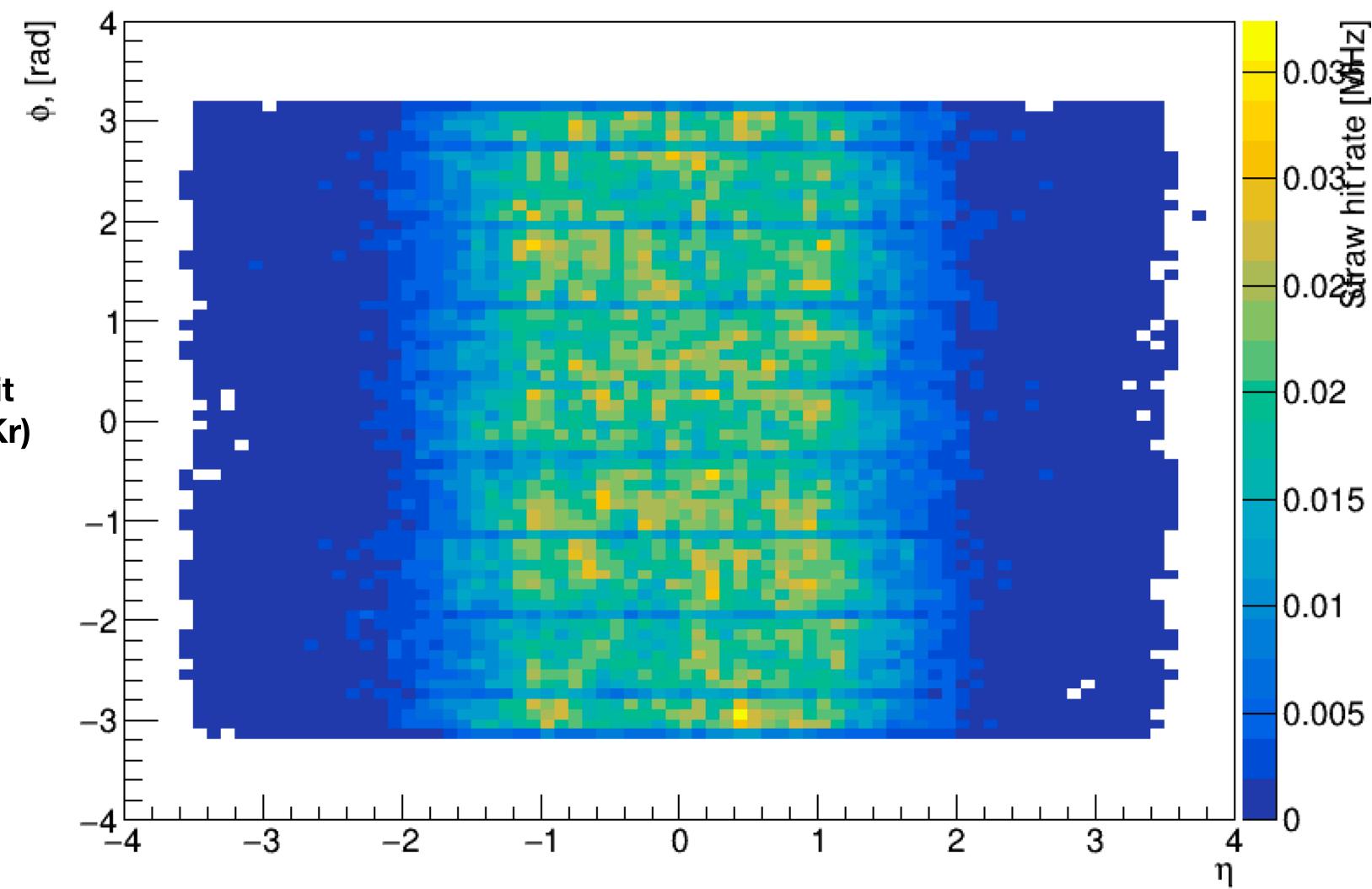


Fig. 55 - Different hit rate colormaps (Kr-Kr)



Different hit rate colormaps (Xe-Xe)

