

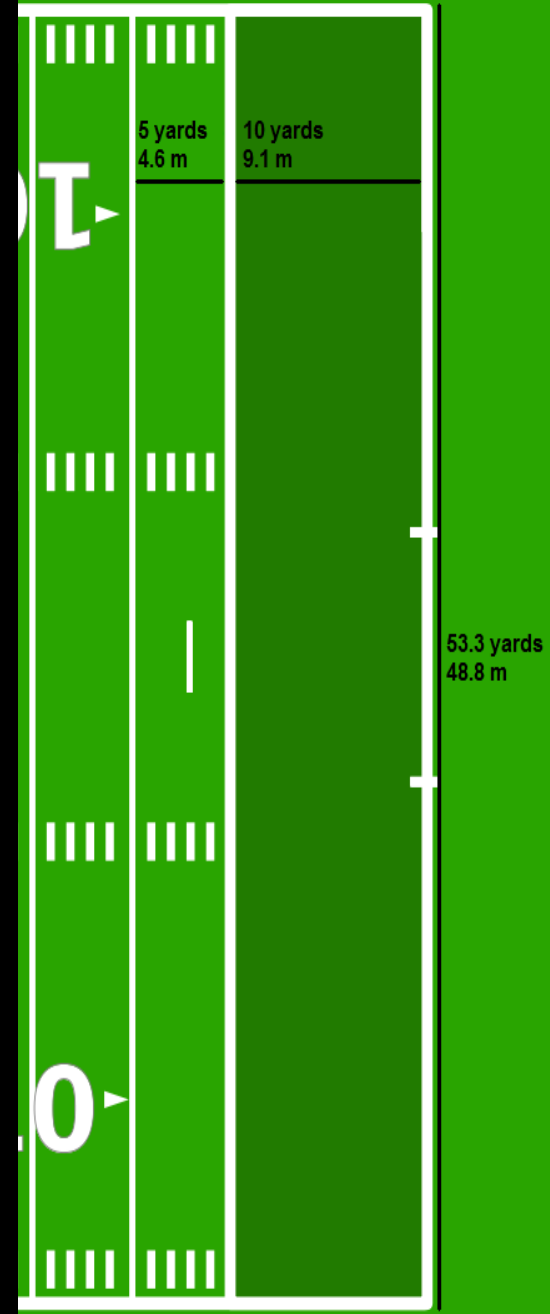
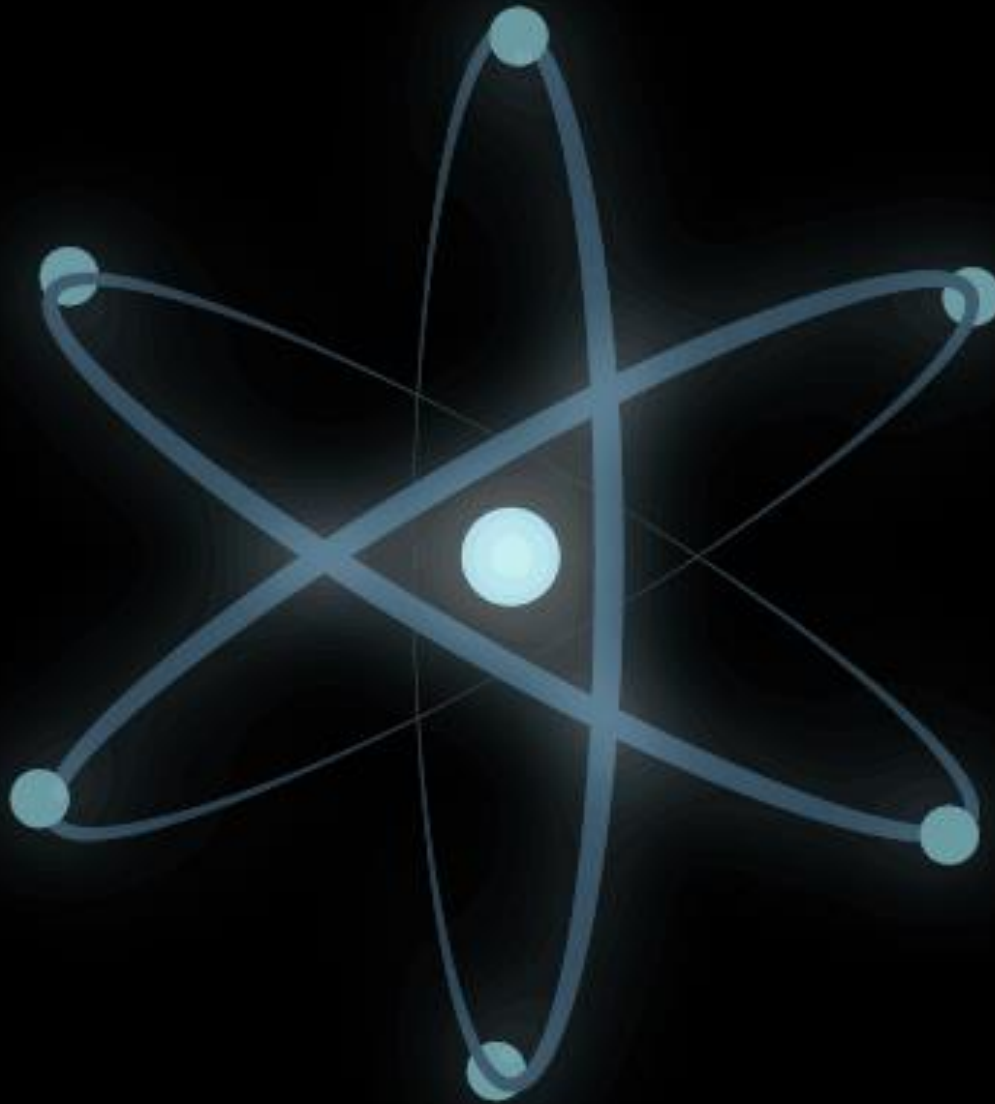
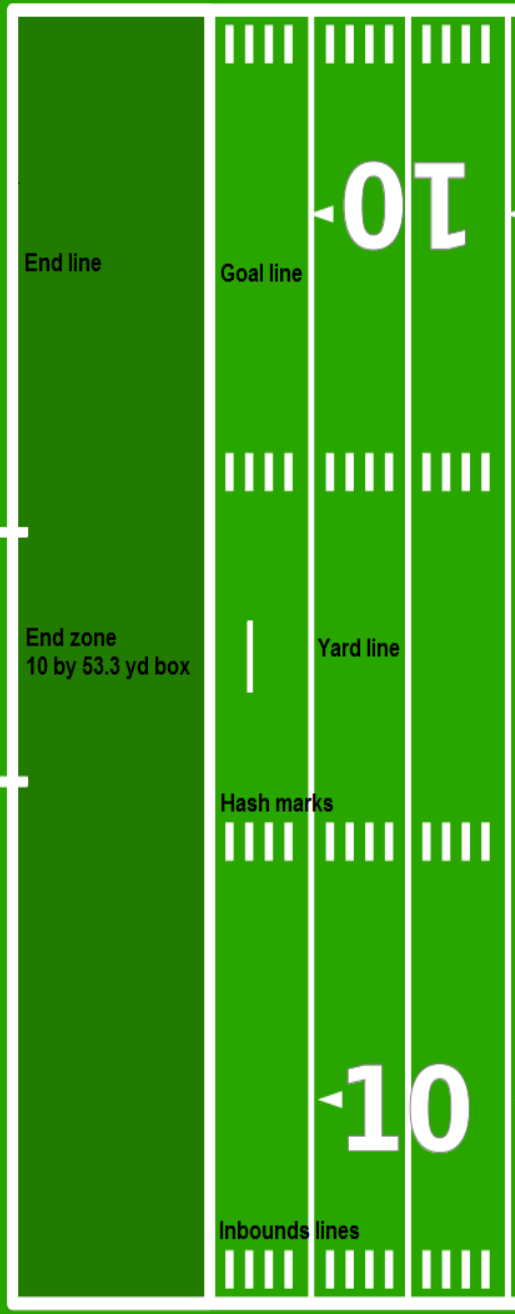
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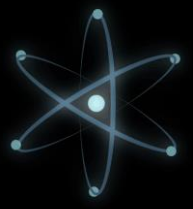
# Towards Solving the Mysteries of Pion and Kaon Mass

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**Mass.**

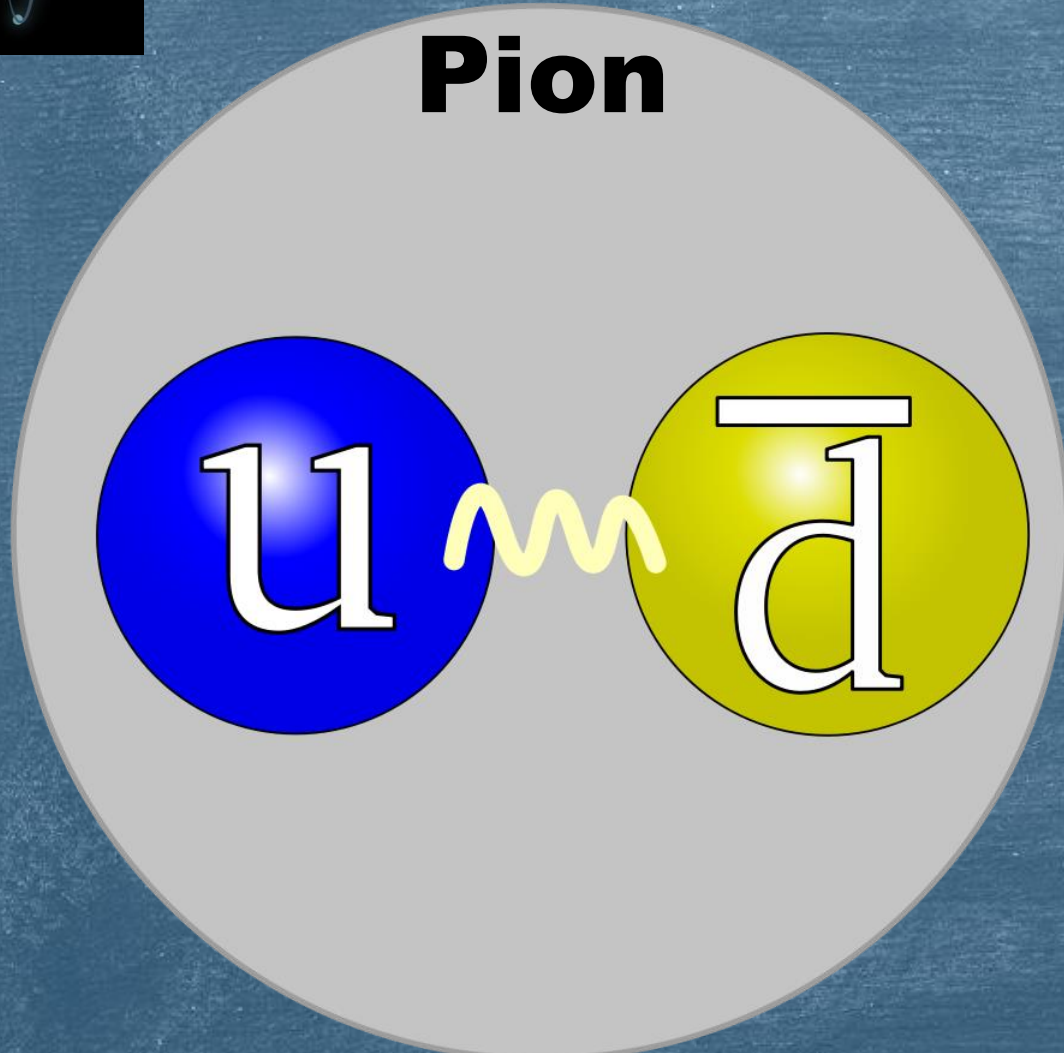
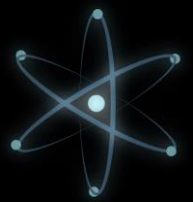




**QCD**

**Baryo**

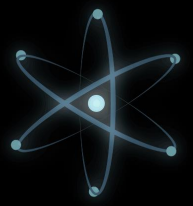
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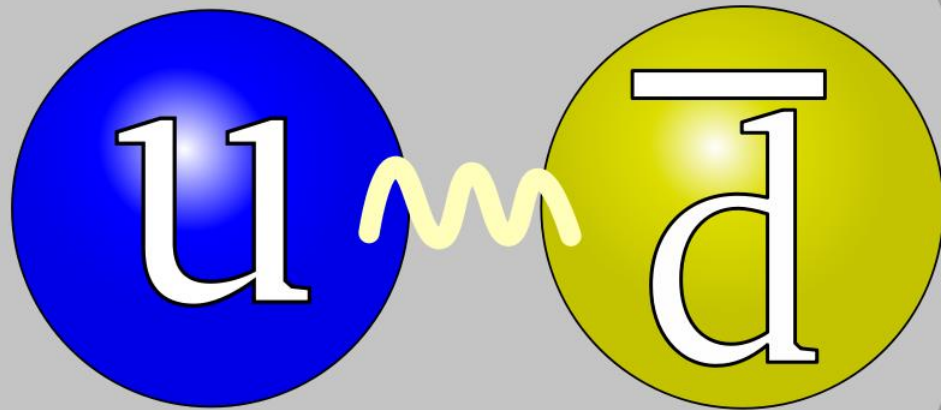
**Meson**

**Q C**

**Quantum  
Chromo  
Dynamics**



## Pion



## Meson

# QC

- Goldstone boson -- should be massless
- Measured mass < mass of constituent quarks

98% of ALL matter comes from interaction between quarks and massless gluons

# Processes Behind Probing

**Mass**  
**Electron**

**n**  
**+**

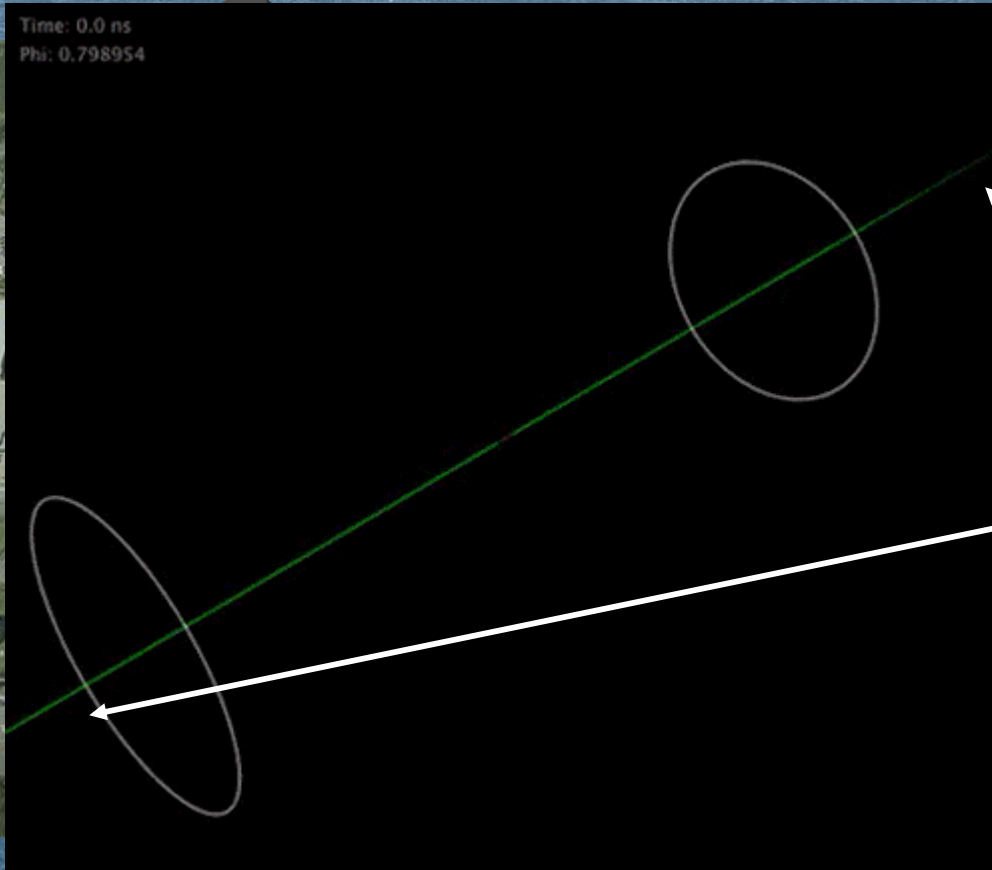
**Proton**



**Pion**

**+**

**Neutron**

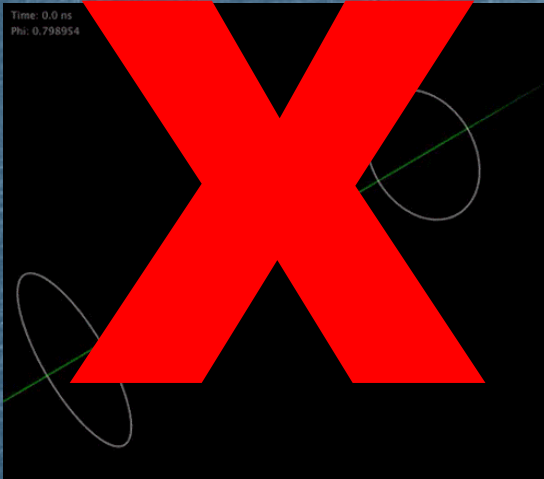
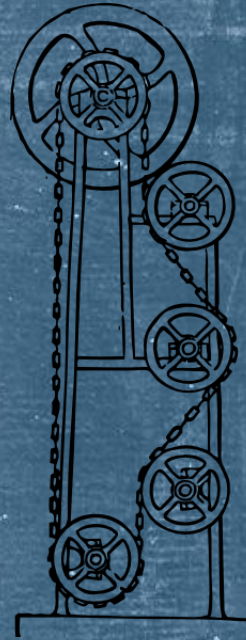


**beams**

**“giant  
microscope”**



# My Role



**$e+p=\pi+n$**

- ▶ Monte Carlo Simulation
  - ▶ Input given values (proton+ electron beam)
  - ▶ Random numbers are generated
  - ▶ Kinematic quantities calculated
  - ▶ The events that fall outside range
  - ▶ Graph Data

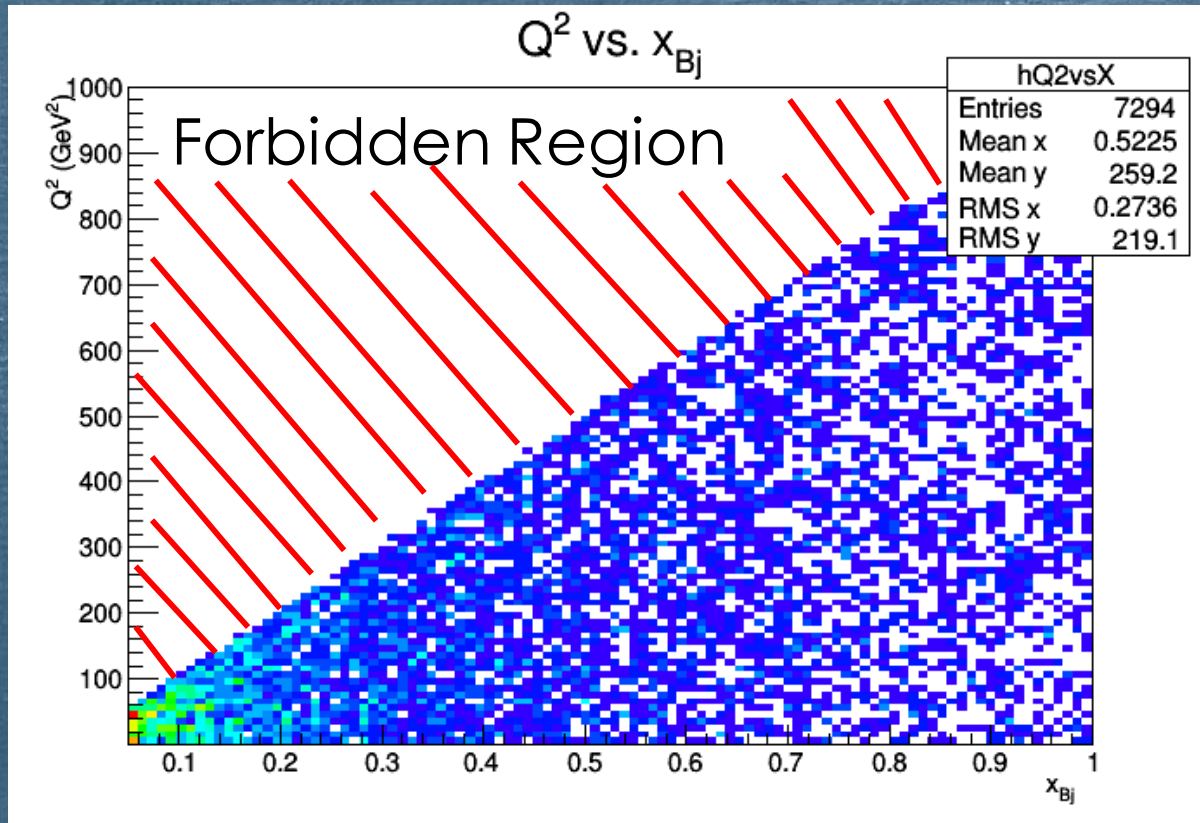


# Variables

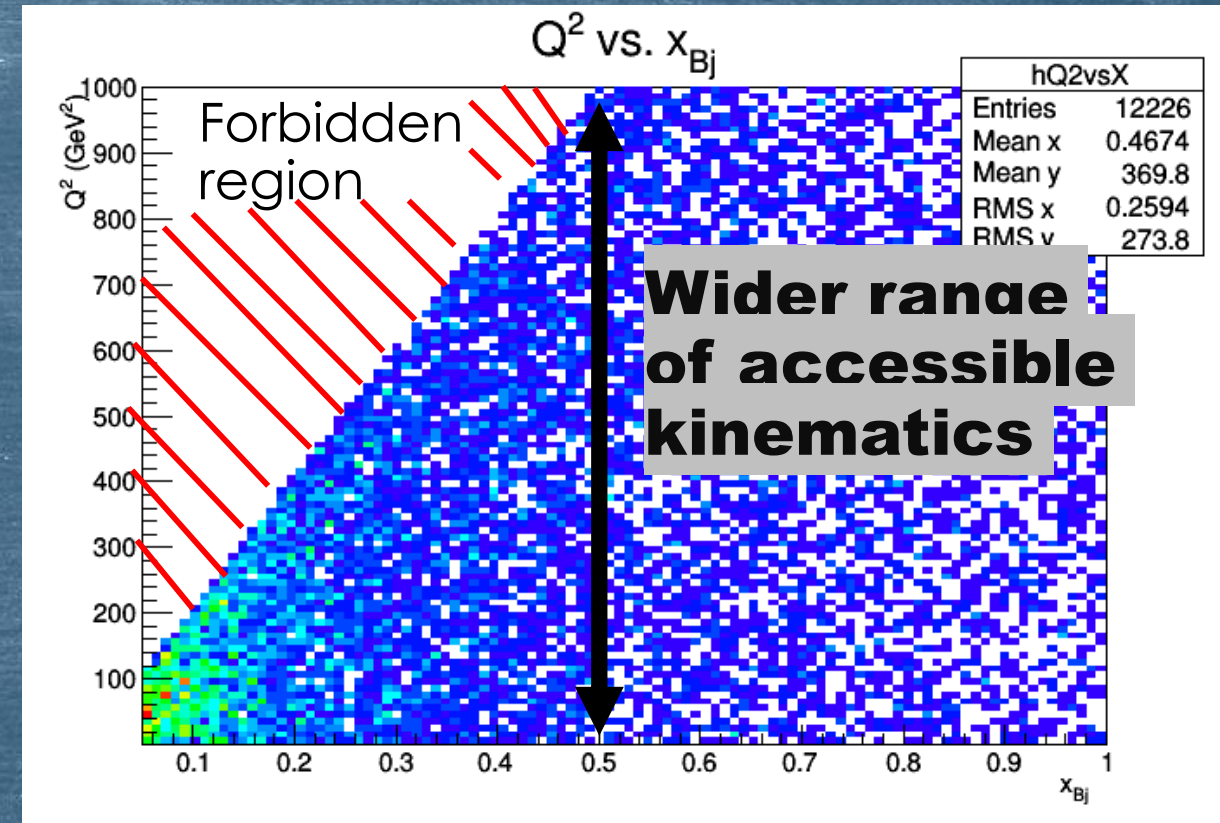
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- ▶  $X_{bj}$  = fractional momentum carried by the partons
- ▶  $Q^2$  = Energy (GeV)
- ▶  $F_2^k/F_2^n$  = structure function
  - ▶ Mass is calculated from this
- ▶  $i$  = cuts made on  $X_{bj}$
- ▶  $t_{pi}$  = 4-momentum transfer

# Initial Feasibility

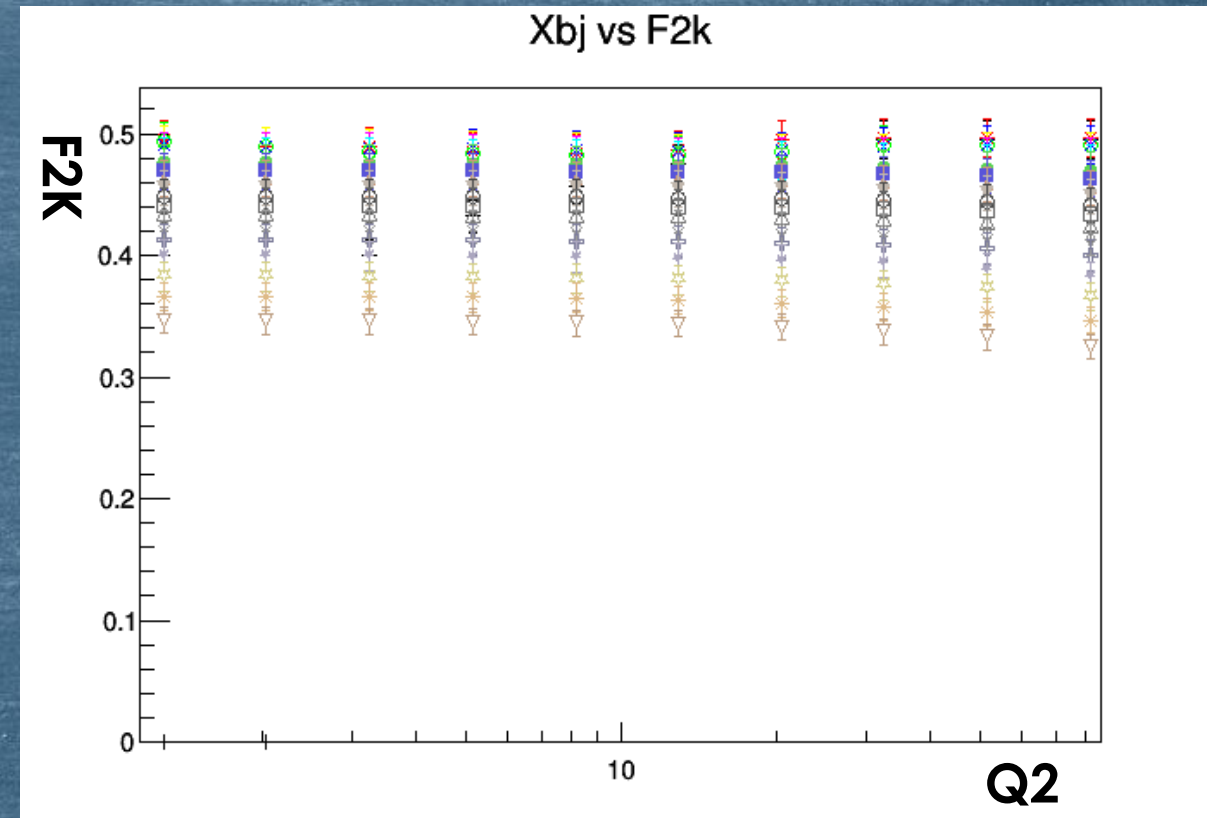
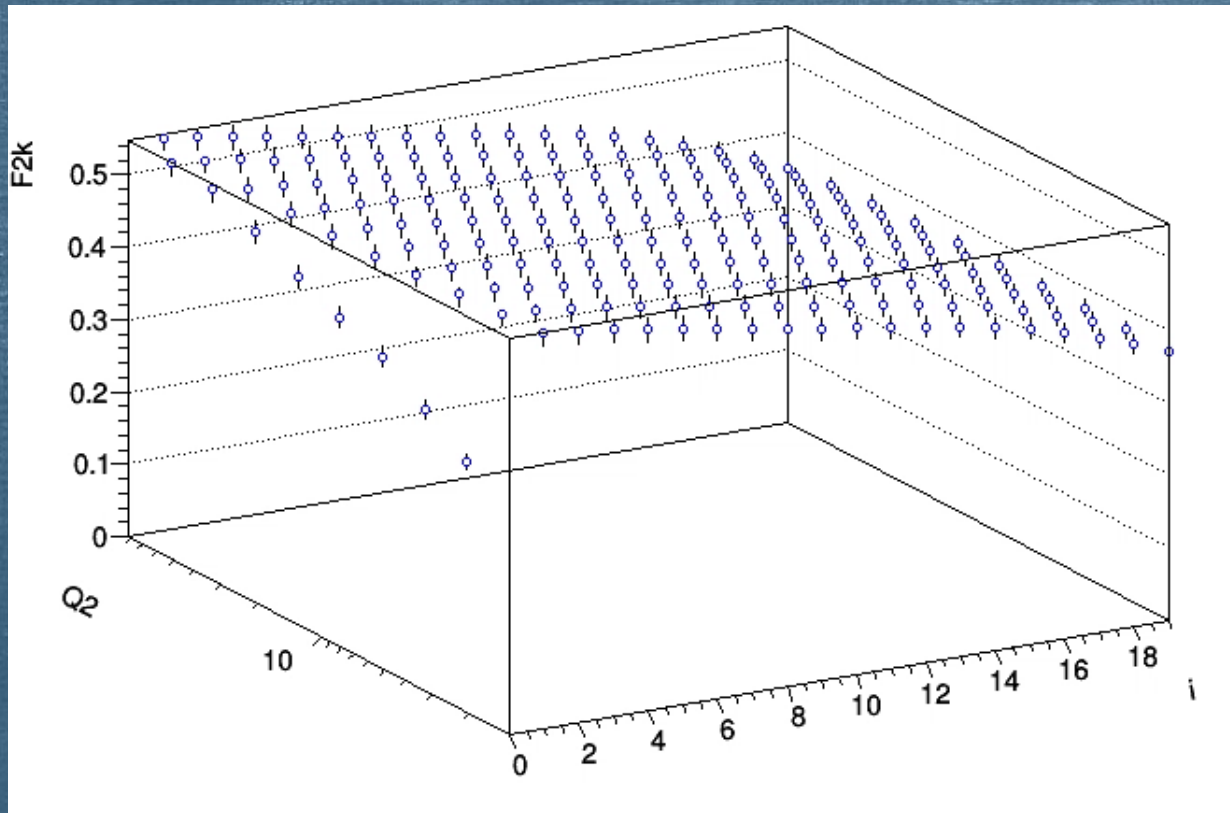


Proton beam: 50 GeV/c  
Electron beam: 5 GeV/c



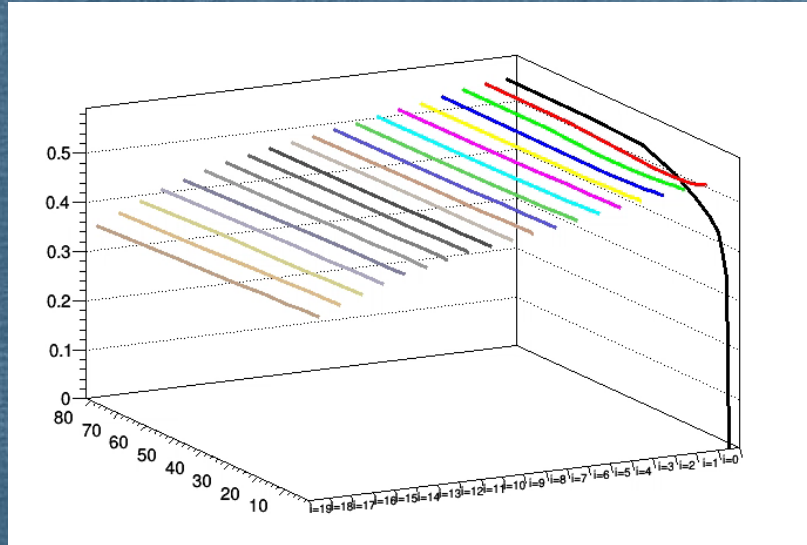
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# Feasibility Studies

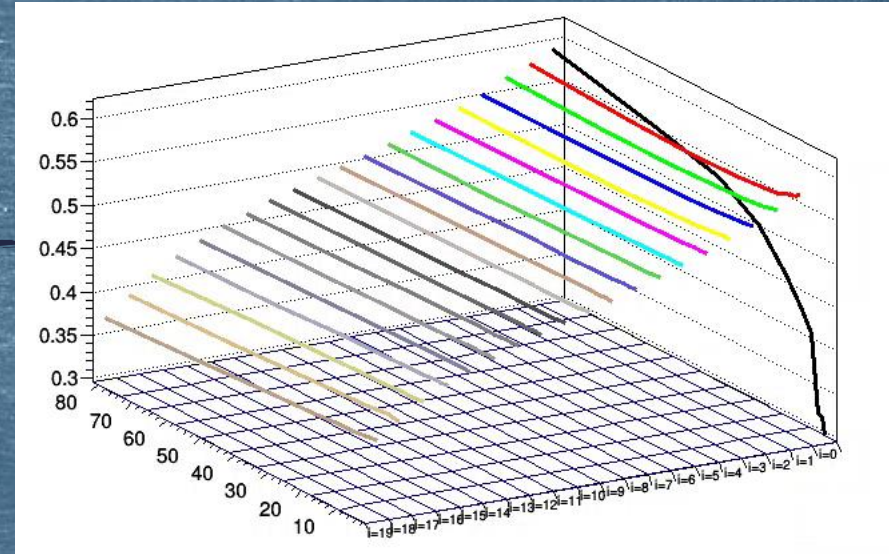


\*Simulated running the experiment for a year

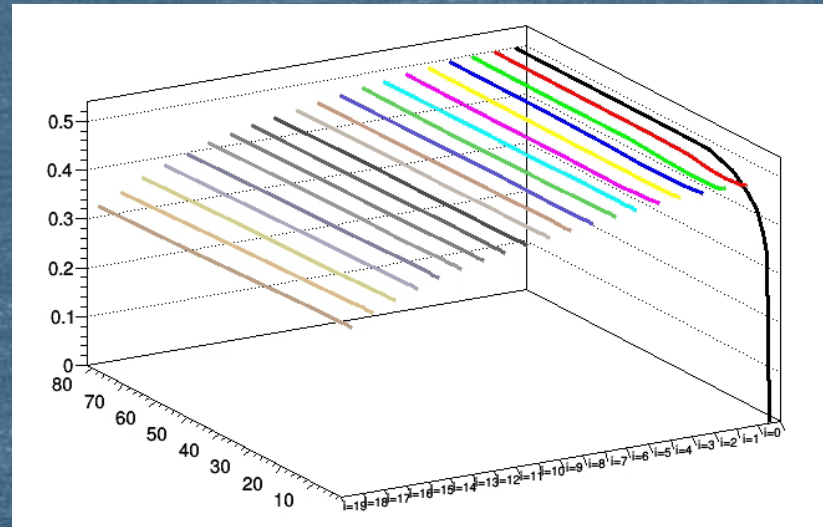
# Kinematics



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Electron beam: 10 GeV/c

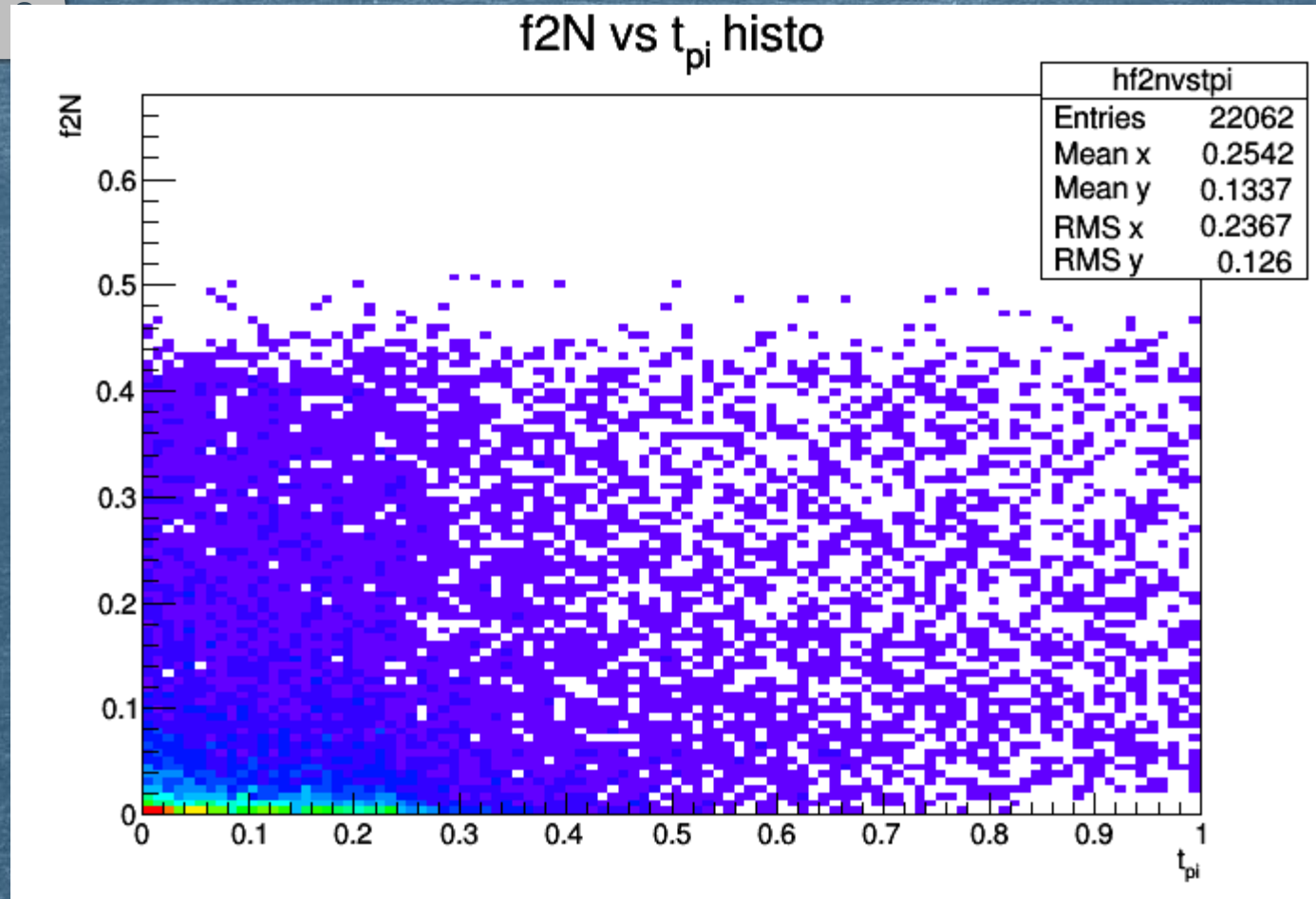


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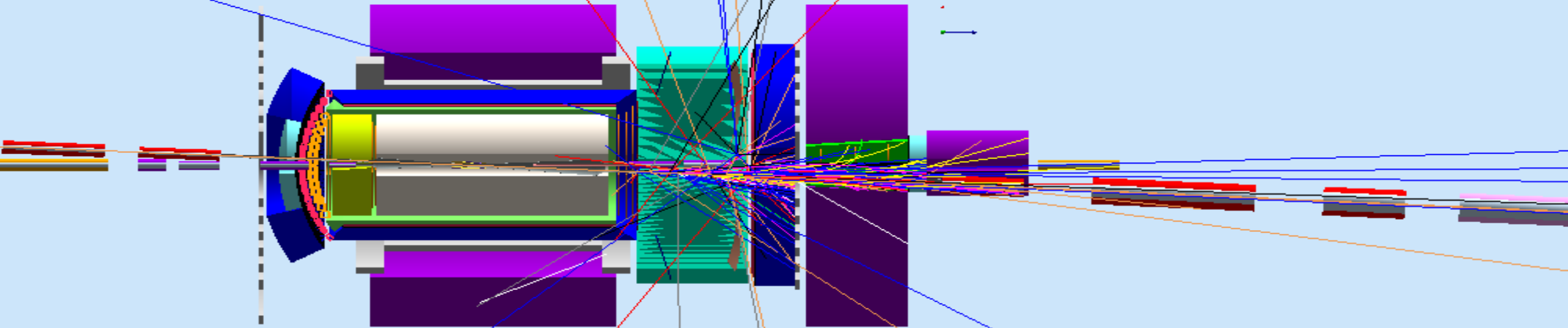


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# Confirmation of Virtual Pion



# Looking ahead



- **Complete study of virtual pion**
- **Determine more accuracy efficiency of detector**
  - **Currently assume 50%**
- **Optimization of detector design**
- **Run simulations for Kaons**

**THANKS**

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