



# One-Prong Tau Reconstruction

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# Generated Tau Events

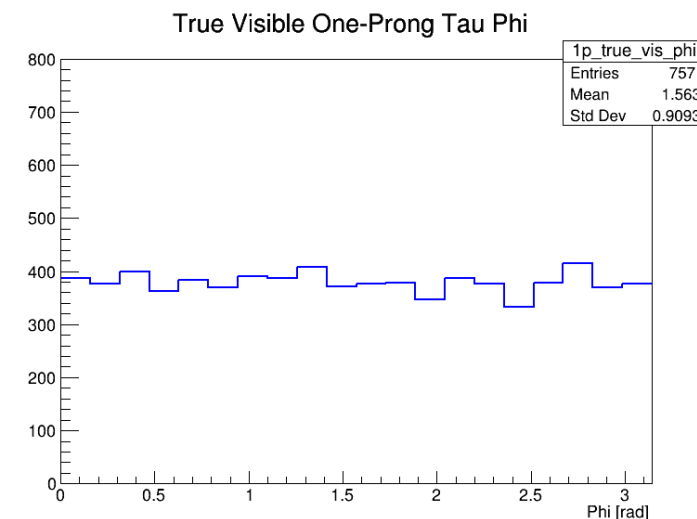
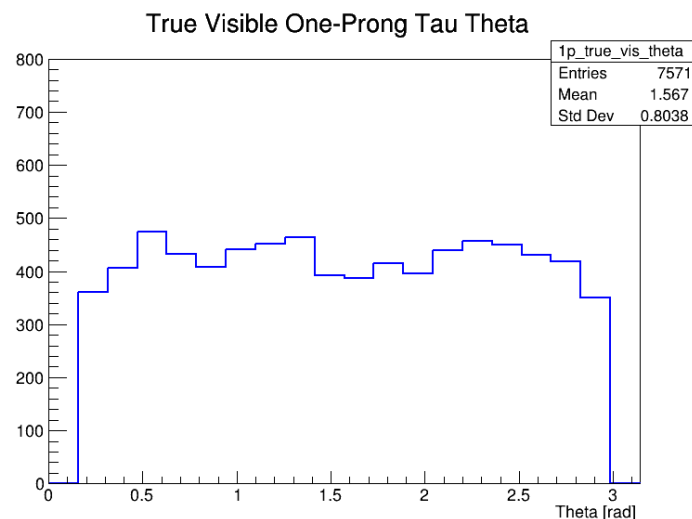
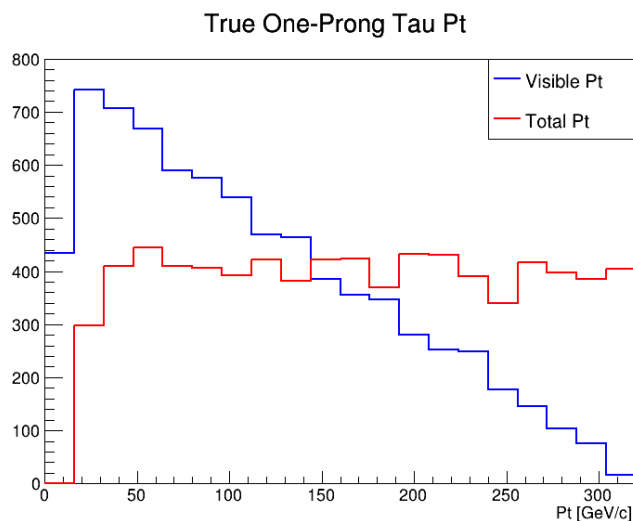
- Generated 15,000  $\tau^-$  events in LCIO file with Python script
  - 1  $\tau^-$  per event
- $0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi$  rad
- $10^\circ \leq \theta \leq 170^\circ$
- $20 \leq pT \leq 320$  GeV/c

# Simulated Tau Events

- Generated taus simulated in MAIA detector with ddsim from Fermilab 2024 tutorial
- One-prong decays make up ~50% of simulated decay modes
- Neutrinos appear to be taking away larger fraction of energy from high pT one-prong taus

## Simulated Branching Ratios

Decay Mode	Branching Ratio (%)
$\pi^- \nu_\tau$	12.29
$\pi^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$	28.40
$\pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0 \nu_\tau$	9.86
$\pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \nu_\tau$	10.89
$\bar{\nu}_e e^- \nu_\tau$	19.39
$\bar{\nu}_\mu \mu^- \nu_\tau$	19.17



# Reconstructing Tau Events

1. Tau decay products reconstructed with ACTS and Pandora
  - Marlin workflow from Fermilab 2024 tutorial
  - Outputs PandoraPFOs collection (reconstructed tau decay products)
2. TauFinder (MarlinReco algorithm) runs on PandoraPFOs
  - i. Charged particle seeded as  $\tau$  candidate based on  $p_T$
  - ii. Search cone formed around seed
  - iii. Charged particles within search cone added to  $\tau$  candidate, adjusting direction of cone for new combined momentum
  - iv. Neutral particles are added to  $\tau$  candidate in same fashion
  - v. Momenta and energies of particles associated to  $\tau$  candidate are combined into reconstructed  $\tau$
  - vi. Outputs collection of  $\tau$  ReconstructedParticles
    - Think of these as independent  $\tau$  PandoraPFOs that have links to associated  $\tau$  decay product PandoraPFOs

# TauFinder Default Selection Cuts

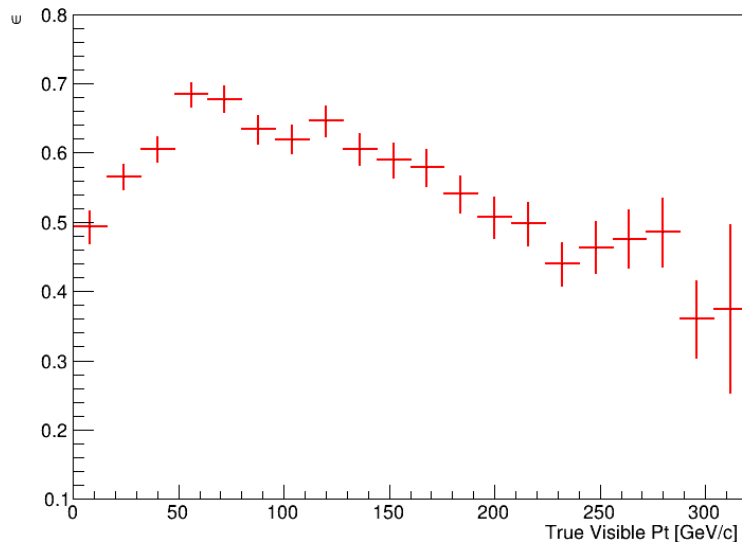
TauFinder Selection Cuts (Sequential)	
Each PandoraPFO (Input Collection) pT	$\geq 0.1 \text{ GeV}/c$
Charged Particle Seed pT	$\geq 5 \text{ GeV}/c$
Tau Invariant Mass	$\leq 2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
Number of Charged Tracks Associated to Tau	$\leq 4 \text{ \& } > 0$
Number of Particles Associated to Tau	$\leq 10$
Tau Isolation Energy	$\leq 5 \text{ GeV}$
TauFinder Cone Angles	
Search Cone Angle	0.05 rad
Isolation Cone Angle	0.2 rad

- Values obtained from Lorenzo Valla
  - Studied for 3 TeV MuCol\_v1 geometry

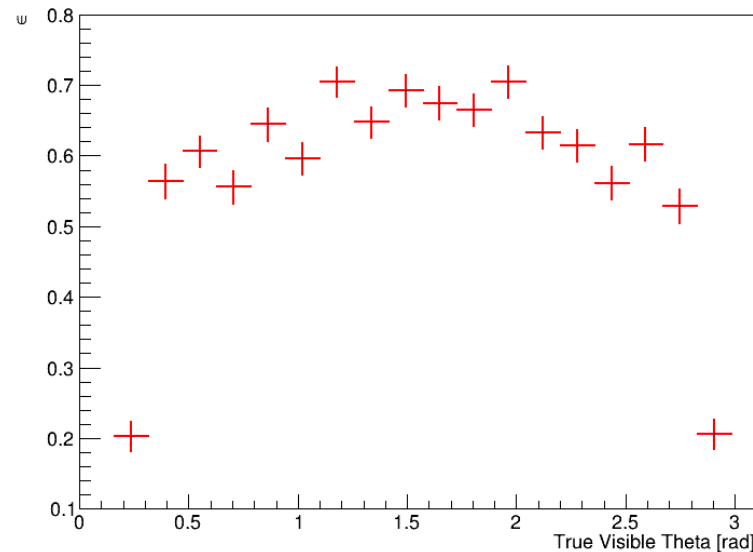
# Benchmark Reconstruction Performance

$$\epsilon = \frac{\text{Number of 1P Reco } \tau \text{ Matched with 1P MC } \tau}{\text{Total Number of 1P MC } \tau}$$

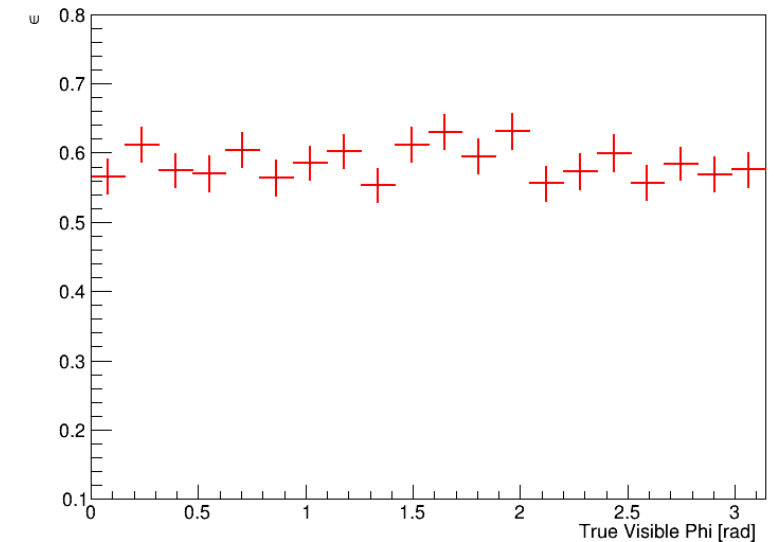
One-Prong Tau Reconstruction Efficiency vs Pt



One-Prong Tau Reconstruction Efficiency vs Theta

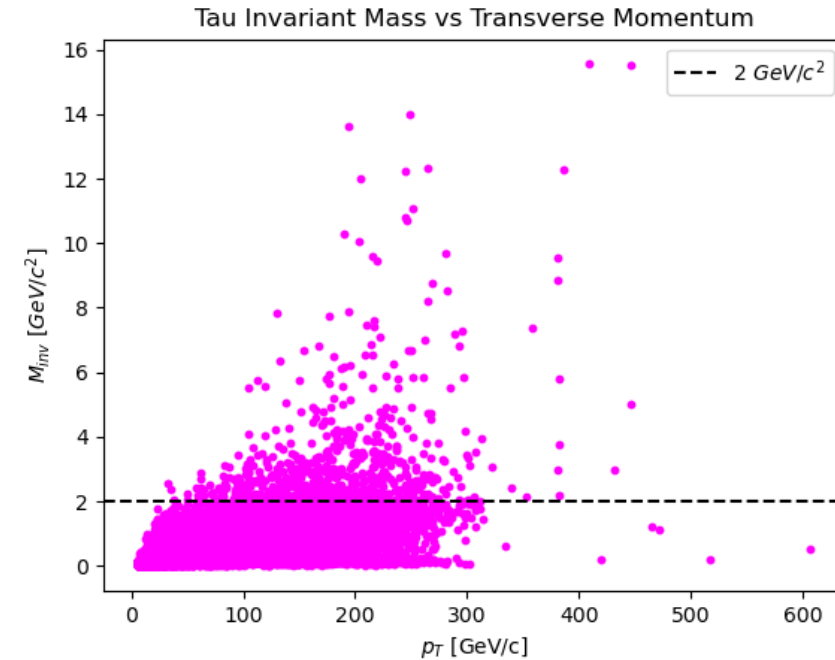
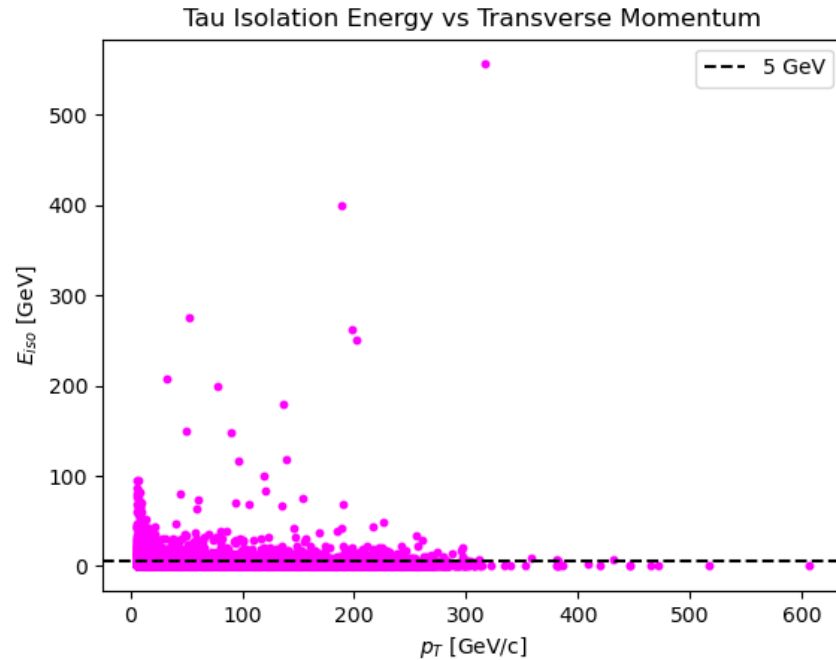


One-Prong Tau Reconstruction Efficiency vs Phi



- Average one-prong reconstruction efficiency appears to be at ~60%
- Losing efficiency at low (< 50 GeV/c) and high (> 100 GeV/c) pTs

# Investigation of TauFinder Selection Criteria



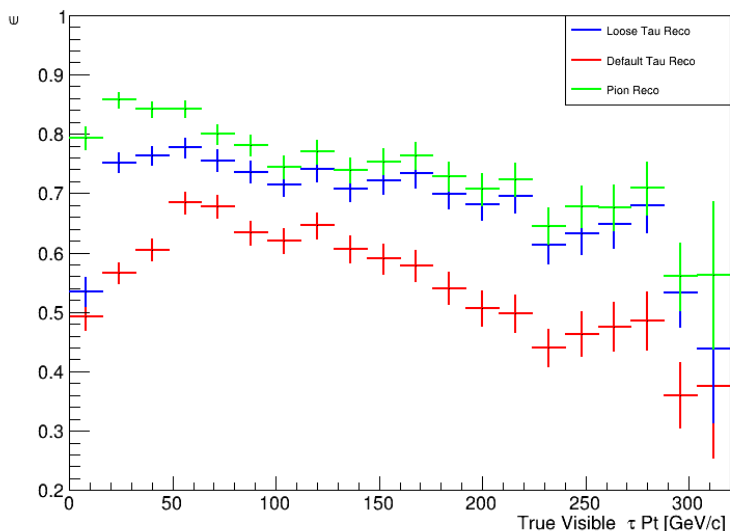
- Tau isolation energy threshold set at 5 GeV
  - Losing ~12% of taus (mostly those with low  $p_T$ )
  - Planning to set a  $p_T$  dependent isolation energy threshold
- Tau invariant mass threshold set at 2 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
  - Losing ~5% of taus (mostly those with high  $p_T$ )
  - Planning to get rid of invariant mass selection cut all together

# One-Prong Reconstruction Performance

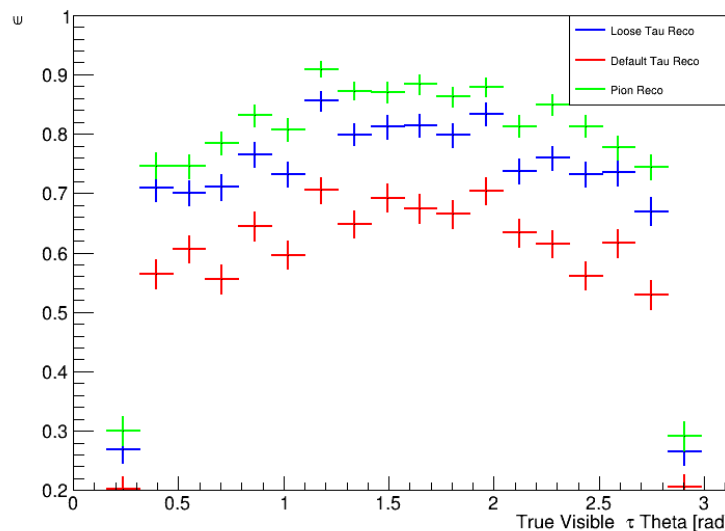
$$\epsilon_{\tau} = \frac{\text{Number of 1P Reco } \tau \text{ Matched with 1P MC } \tau}{\text{Total Number of 1P MC } \tau}$$

$$\epsilon_{\pi} = \frac{\text{Number of Reco } \pi \text{ Matched with MC } \pi}{\text{Total Number of MC } \pi}$$

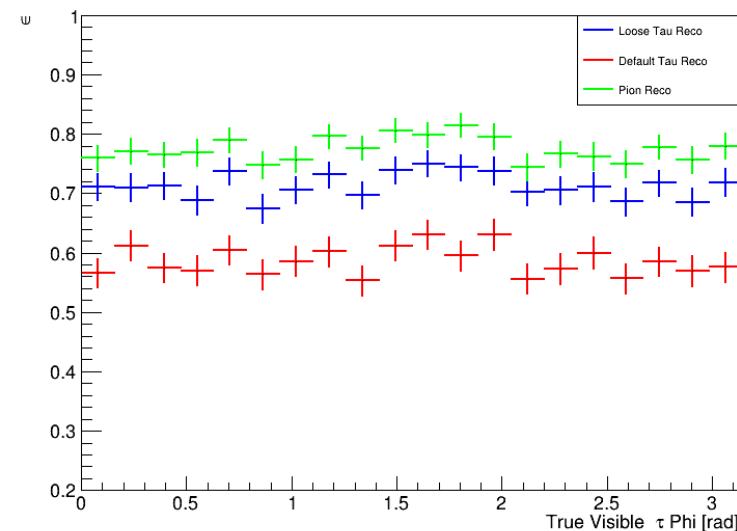
One-Prong Reconstruction Efficiencies vs Pt



One-Prong Reconstruction Efficiencies vs Theta



One-Prong Reconstruction Efficiencies vs Phi



- Loosened tau isolation energy and invariant mass cuts such that they are negligible
  - Boosted one-prong efficiency by ~10% on average
- Drop in one-prong efficiency at large pT due to pion reconstruction efficiency
- Improvement of one-prong efficiency to be made at low pT
  - Likely due to lower threshold set on charged particle seed pT (currently set at 5 GeV/c)

# Conclusions

- Efficient one-prong tau reconstruction is possible
  - Currently achieving  $\sim 70\%$  reconstruction efficiency on average
  - Restricted by pion reconstruction efficiency
  - Need to remove/loosen selection cuts in TauFinder algorithm
- Next steps involve studying three-prong tau decays and finally adding BIB to simulated tau events