

Performance of the new hadron blind HADES RICH in heavy ion collisions

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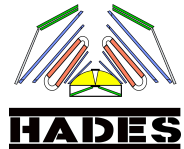
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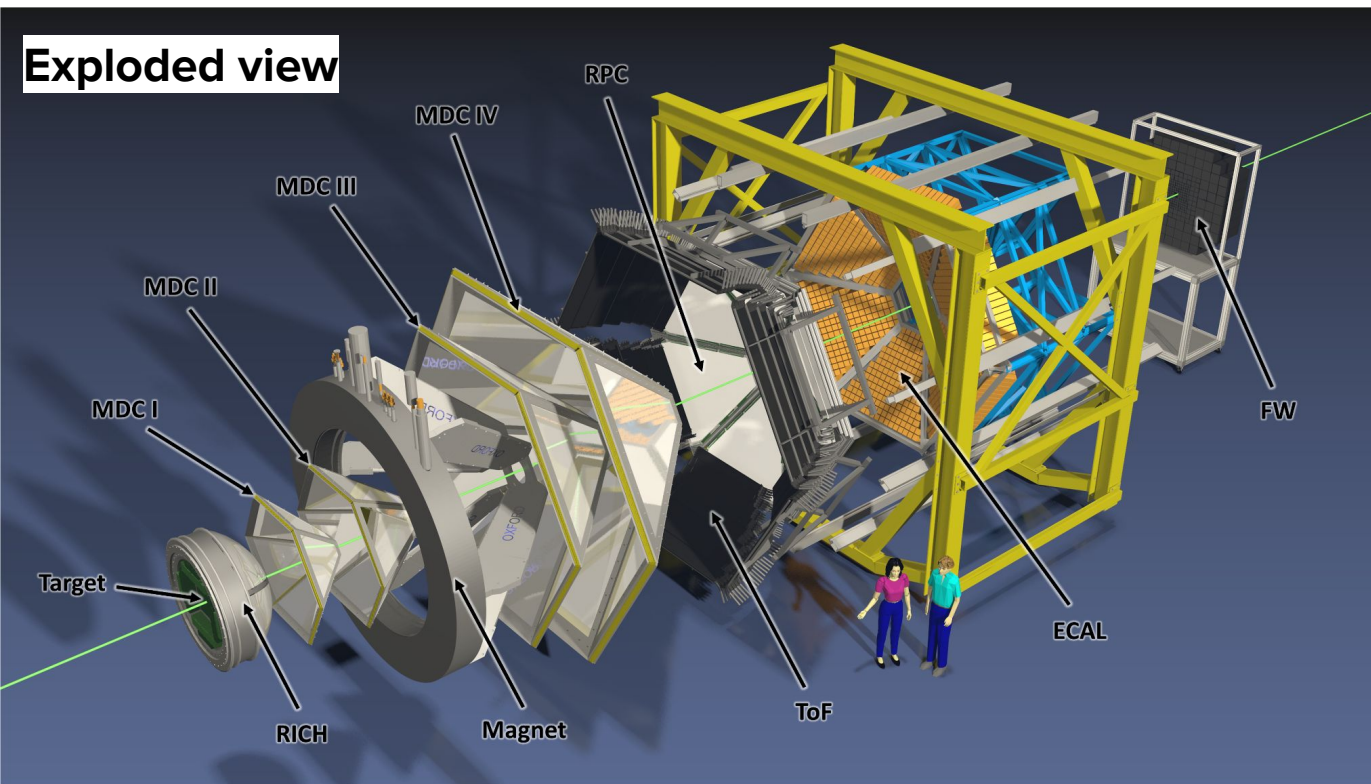
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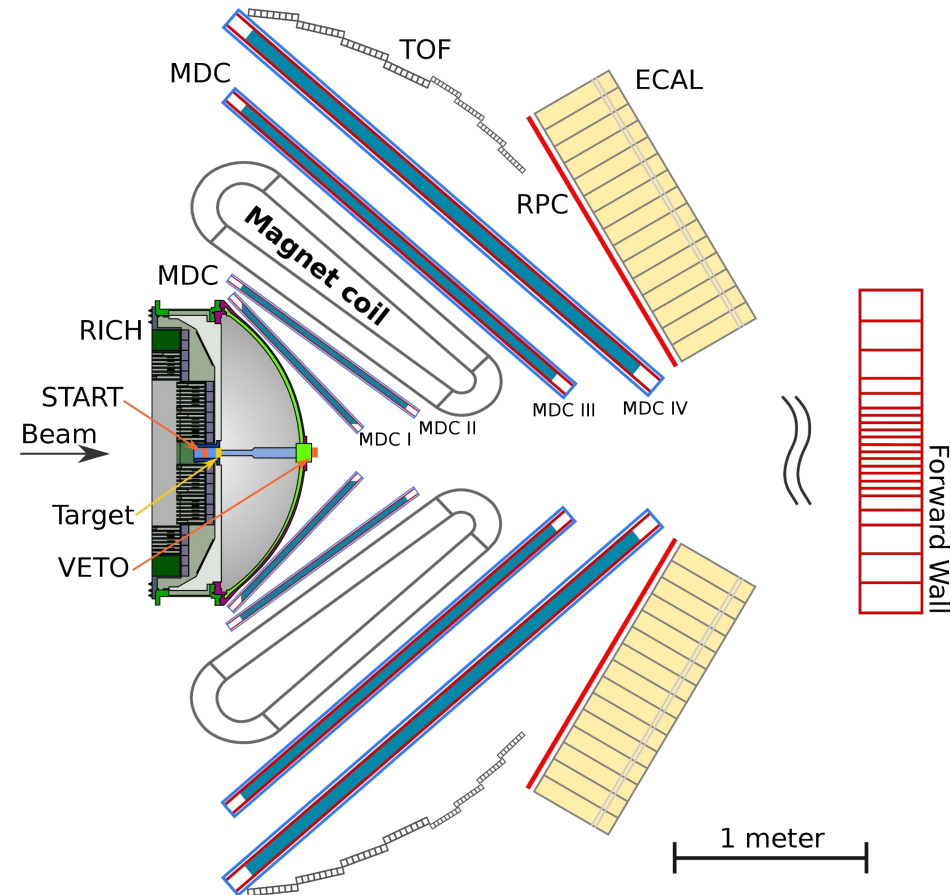
The HADES detector

High-Acceptance DiElectron Spectrometer



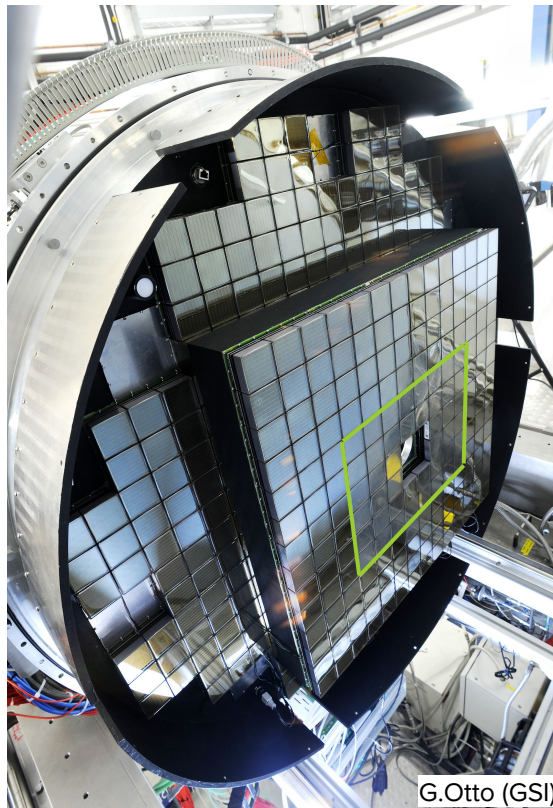
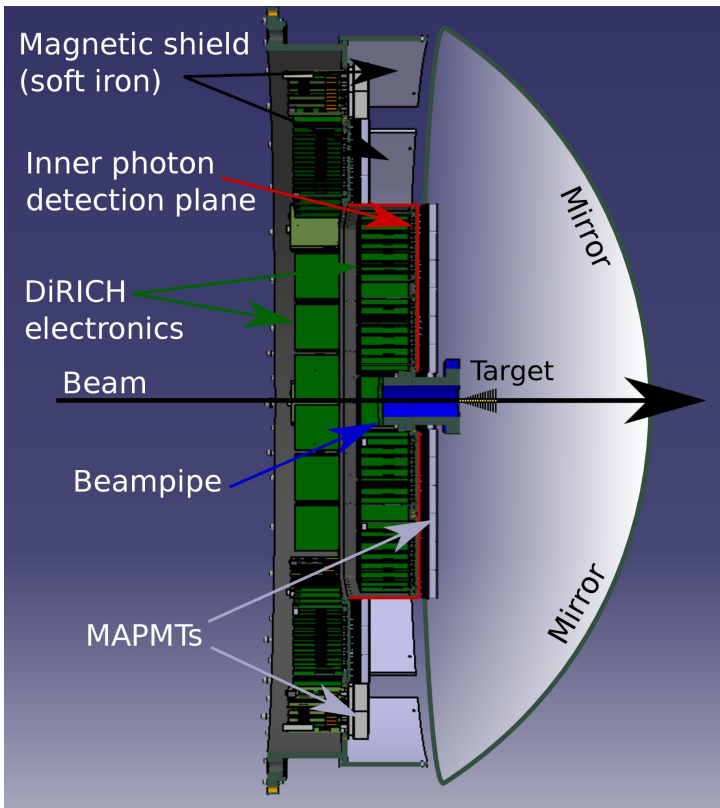
- Installed at GSI Darmstadt SIS 18
- In operation since 2001
- Fixed target experiment
- Large acceptance
 - 85% azimuth
 - 18°–85° polar
- Part of FAIR – phase 0 program
- **Ag+Ag 1.58 GeV/u beamtime March 2019**

The HADES detector



- Momentum determination through drift chambers and toroidal magnetic field
- RPC and scintillator based TOF detectors for velocity (β) determination
- ECAL for photon detection
- Event plane reconstruction using scintillators in a forward wall set-up
- **Gaseous RICH detector with CsI cathode until 2017**
J. Adamczewski-Musch et al. (C. Pauly corr. author), Status of the CBM and HADES RICH projects at FAIR, Nucl. Instr. Meth. A 952 (2020) 161867, RICH 2018 conference, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2019.03.025>
- **Situated at the very beginning of the detector**

The RICH detector

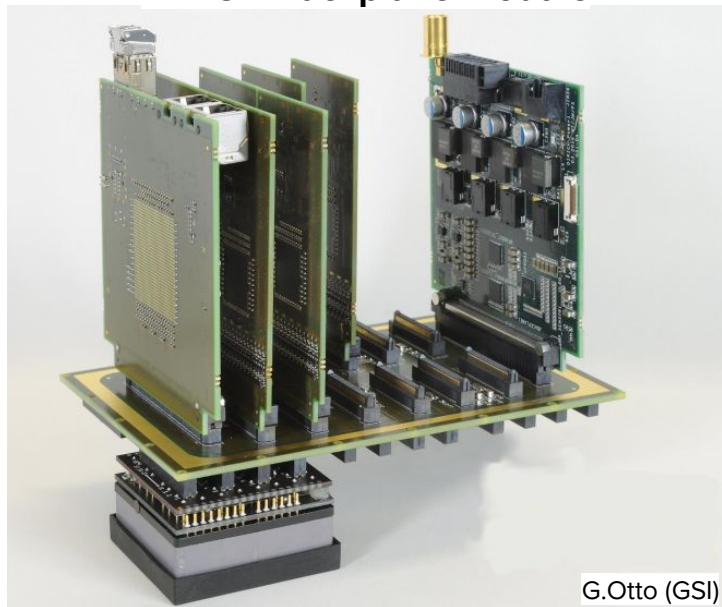


- Low material budget
 - Carbon mirror
- Electron ID
 $15 \text{ MeV}/c < p_e < 2.5 \text{ GeV}/c$
- C_4H_{10} (isobutane) radiator
- Staggered photodetection plane
- MAPMTs in center part coated with wavelength shifter (WLS p-terphenyl*)
- **Upgraded photon detector and read-out chain**

* J. Adamczewski-Musch et al. [CBM-RICH collaboration], Influence of wavelength-shifting films on multianode MAPMTs with UV-extended windows, Nucl. Instr. Meth. A, 783 (2015) 43, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2015.02.014>

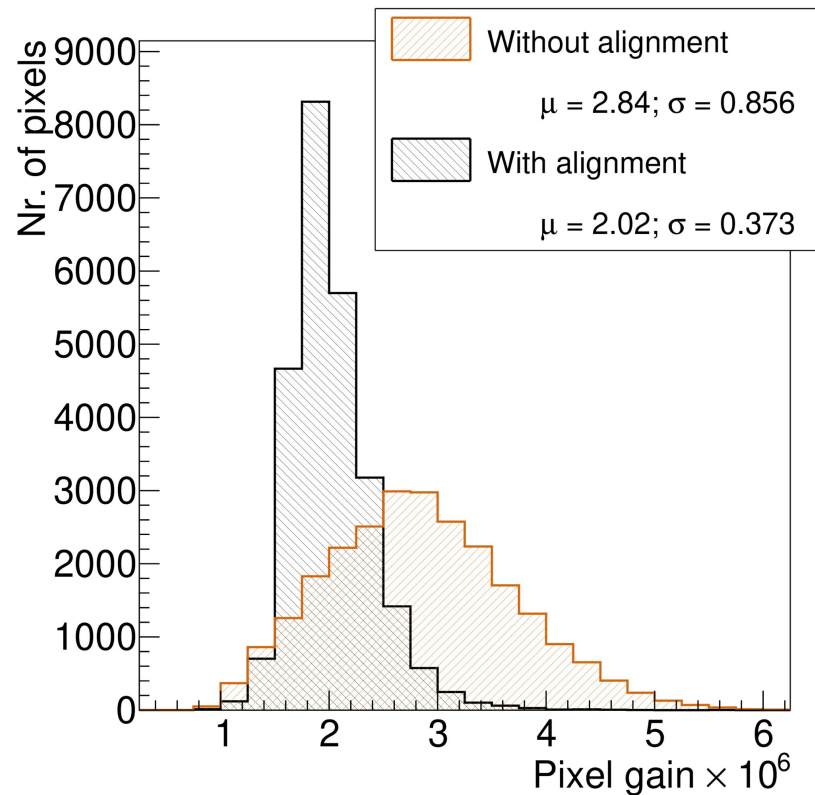
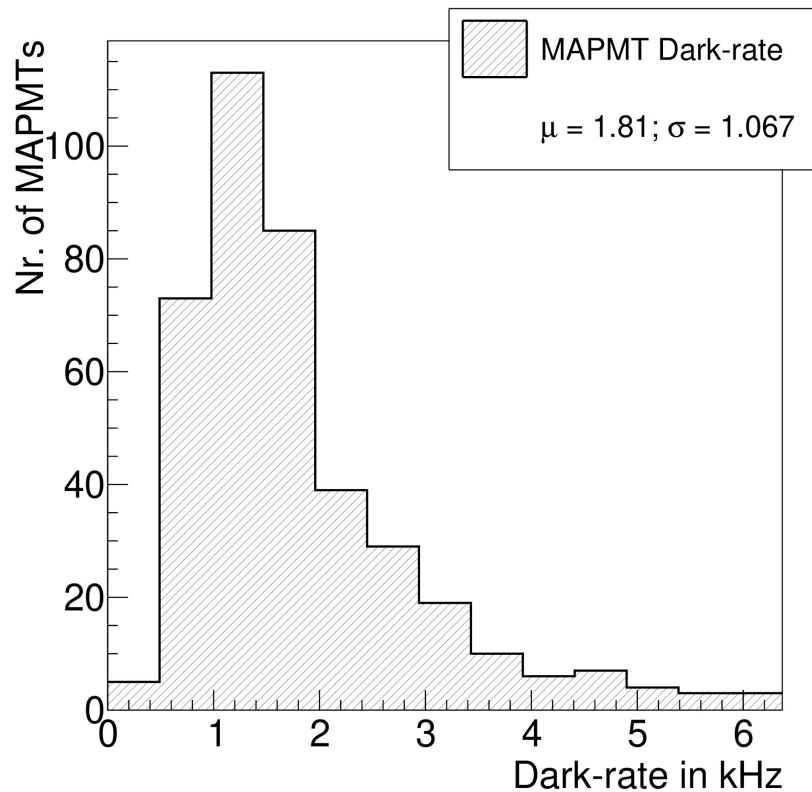
The upgraded Photon Detector and Readout

DiRICH Backplane-Module

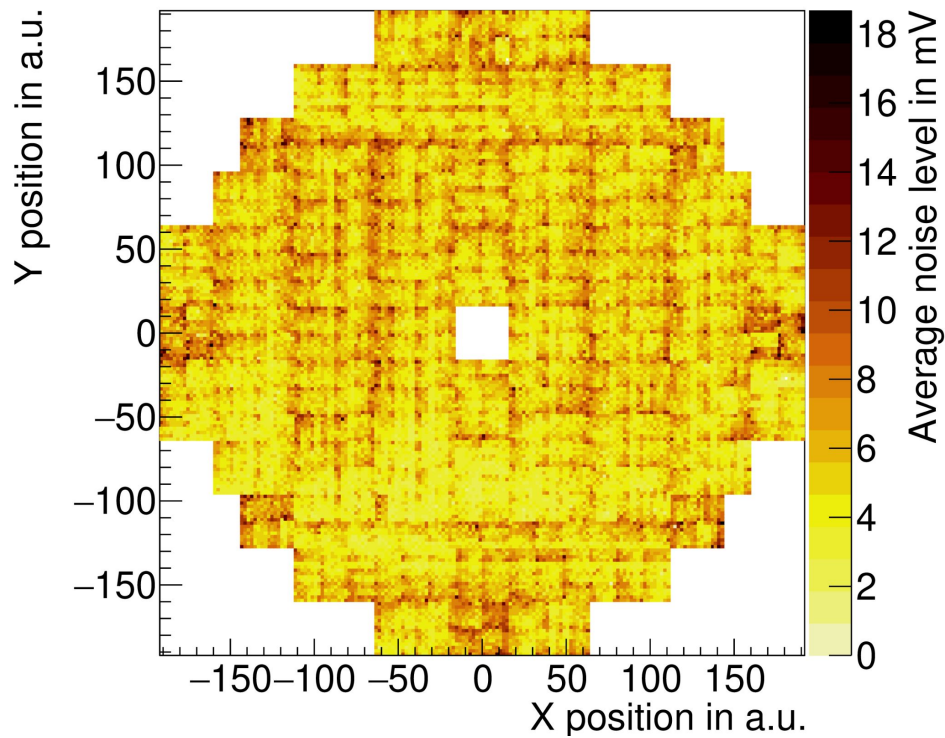


- Motivation:
 - Ensure stable RICH operation for future FAIR program - 2025 and beyond
 - Improve close-pair di-electron reconstruction
- Concept:
 - Share MAPMTs and readout chain development with CBM RICH (See talk C. Höhne Wednesday, 09:25)
 - Photodetection plane equipped with **428 64ch H12700 MAPMTs**
 - DiRICH-FEB measures (arrival) time (**LE**) and Time over Threshold (**ToT**) **for each channel** (See poster P.Subramani)
 - Modular backplanes serve as gas- and light tight seal grouping six MAPMTs (same HV)

Photon sensor selection



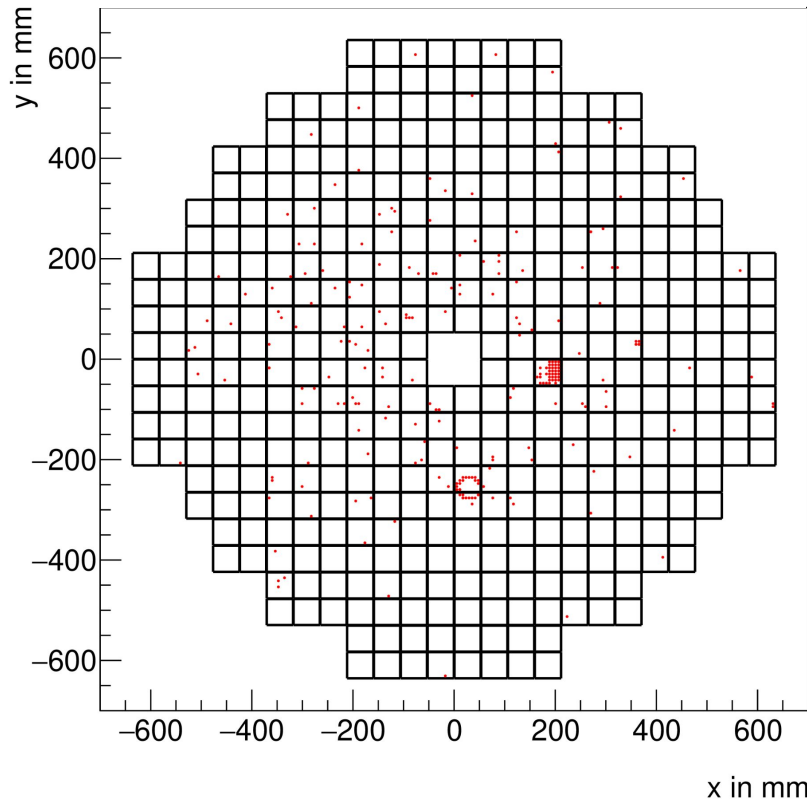
Readout hardware performance



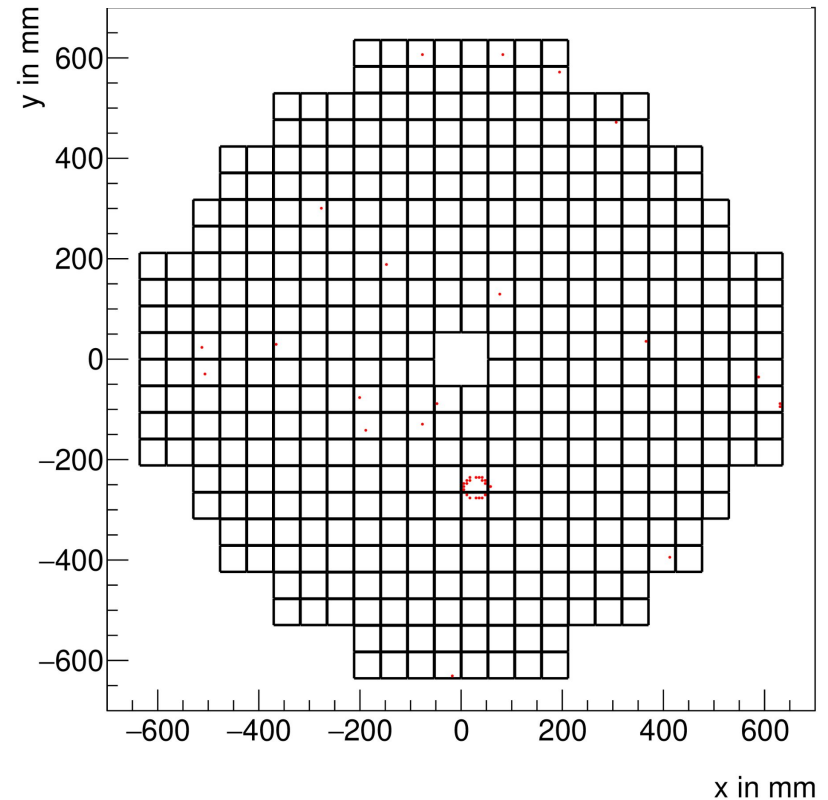
- **Average noise level of readout electronics after pre amplifier**
 - Average amplification $\sim 25\times$
- Typical thresholds of 50 mV – 70 mV
- **Average single photon amplitude at a gain of 2×10^6 after amplification: 150 mV – 250 mV**
- Rather homogeneous distribution

Single Event Display of first Rings

No cut on LE time (1.2 μ s window)

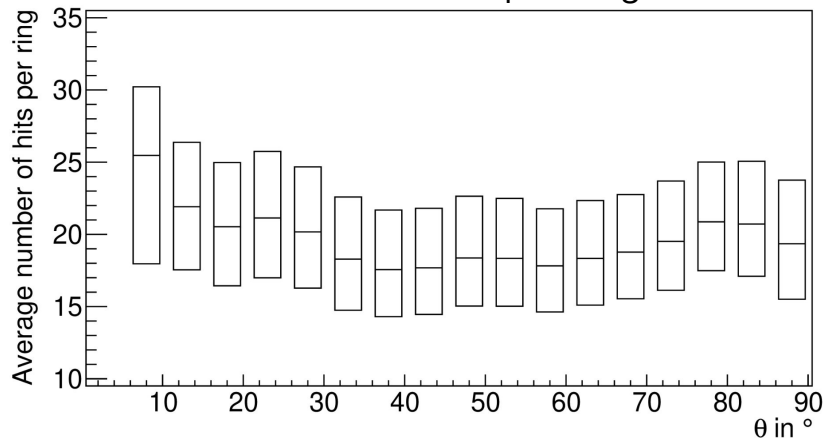


With LE time cut (~ 2 ns window)



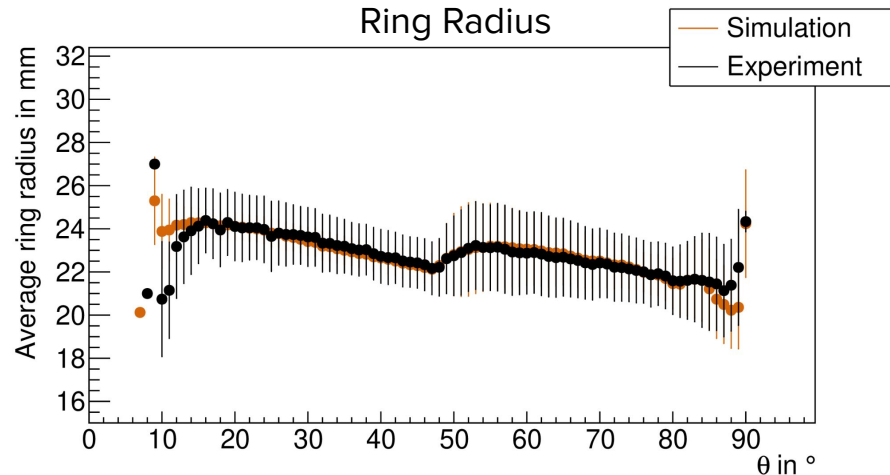
Ring properties

Number of Hits per Ring



- More than 15 hits per ring on average over full detector
- Ring $dR < 3$ mm
 - Std. Dev. of hits w.r.t. fitted ring

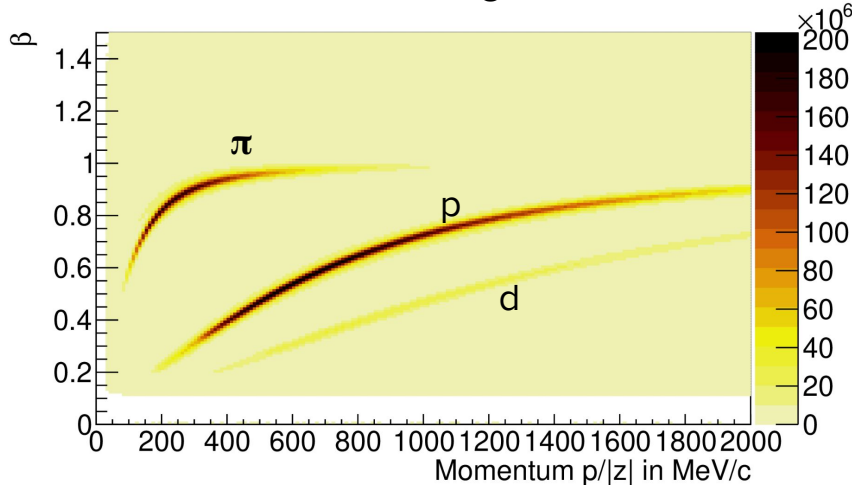
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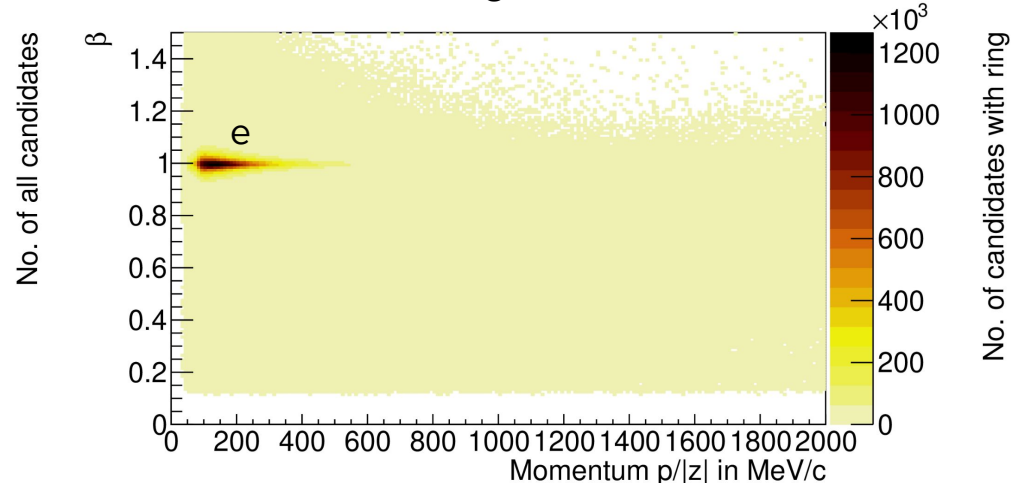
- Simulation and experiment agree very well
- Using a time cut of ~ 2 ns
 - 0.8 reconstructed rings per event
 - ~ 30 reconstructed hits per event

PID Performance of the RICH

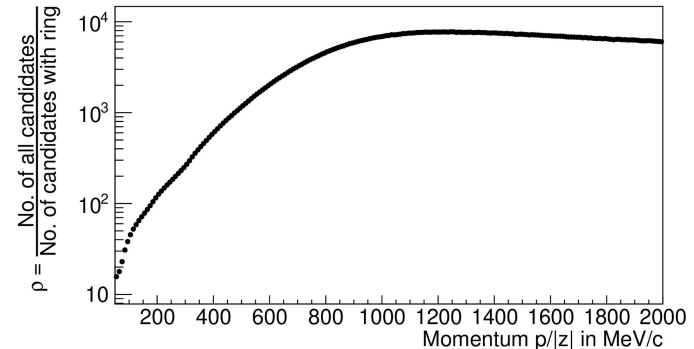
Without using RICH



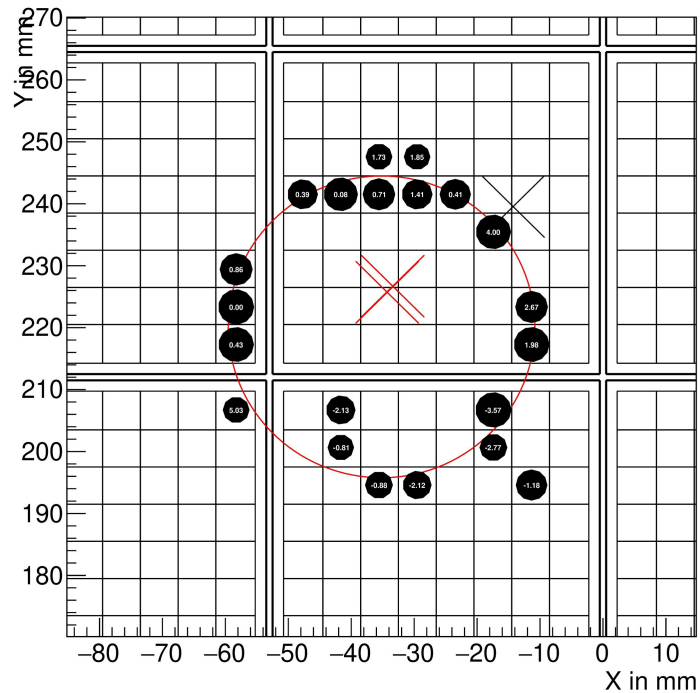
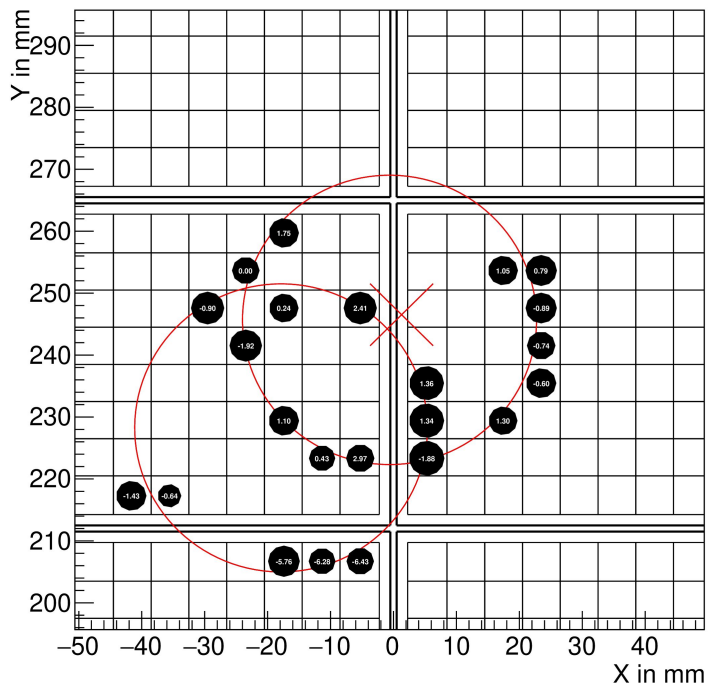
Using RICH



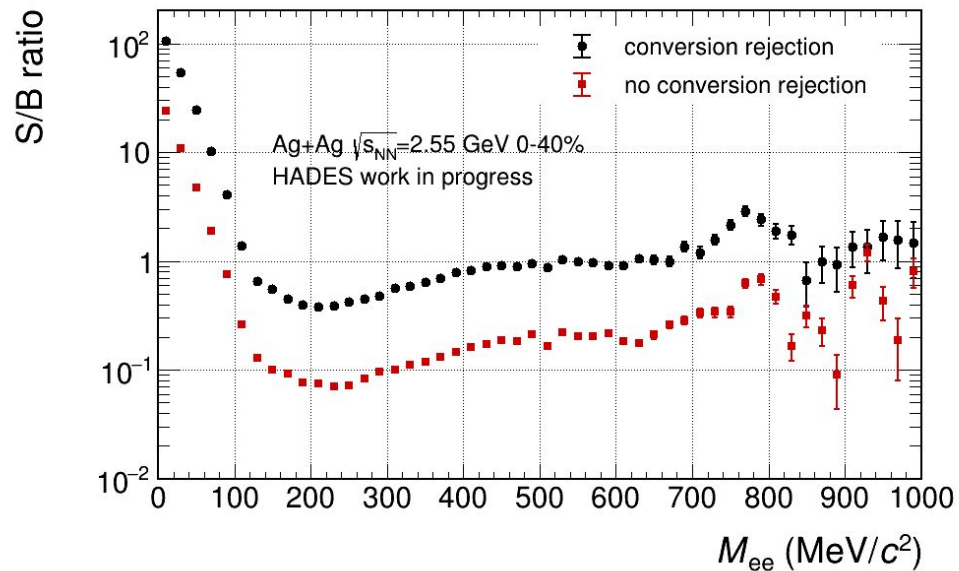
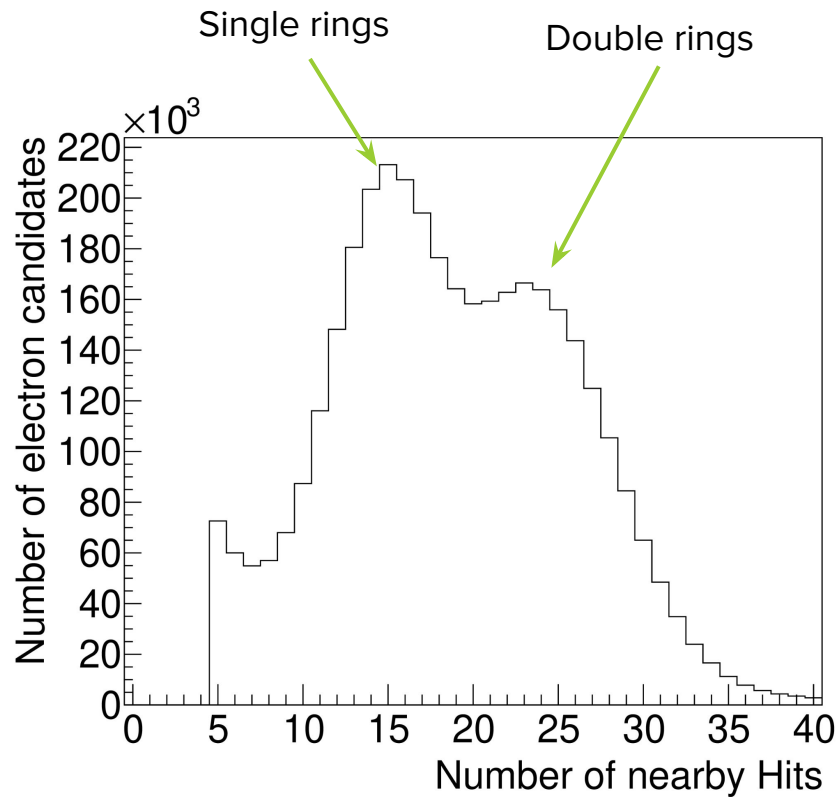
- Nearly all hadrons are suppressed
- Maximum suppression of $\sim 10^4$ reached for larger momenta



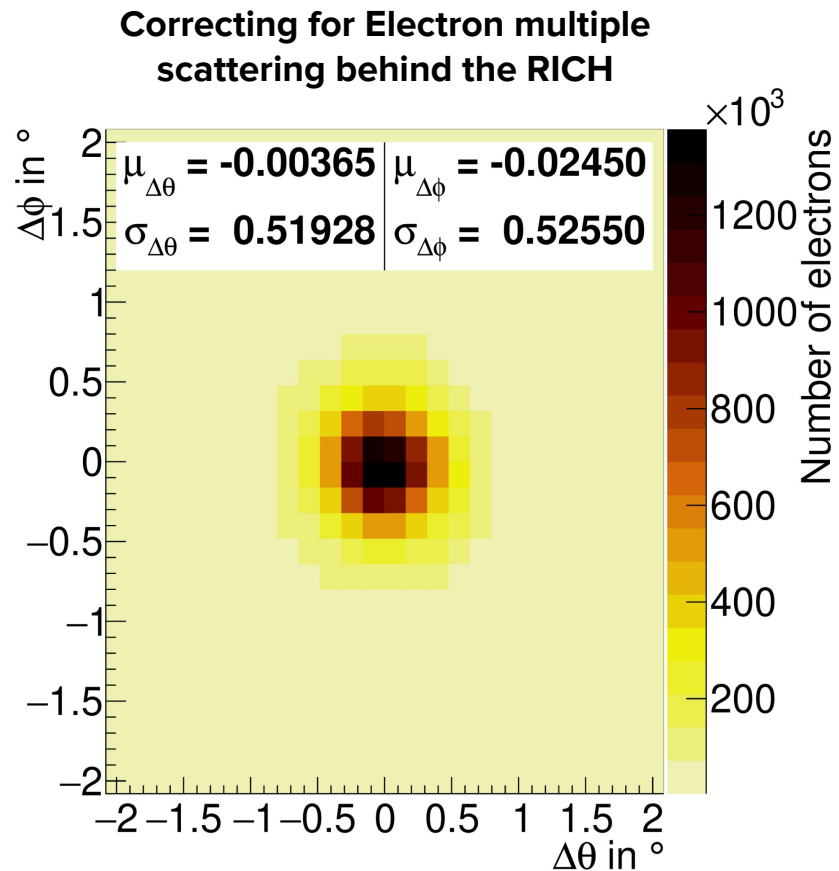
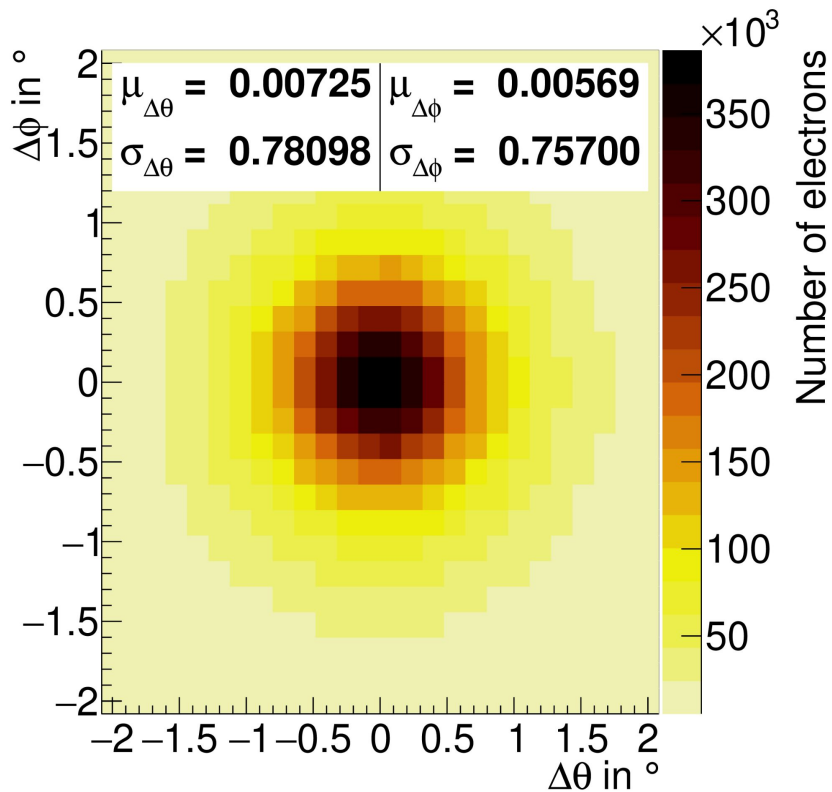
Single Event Plots of double rings



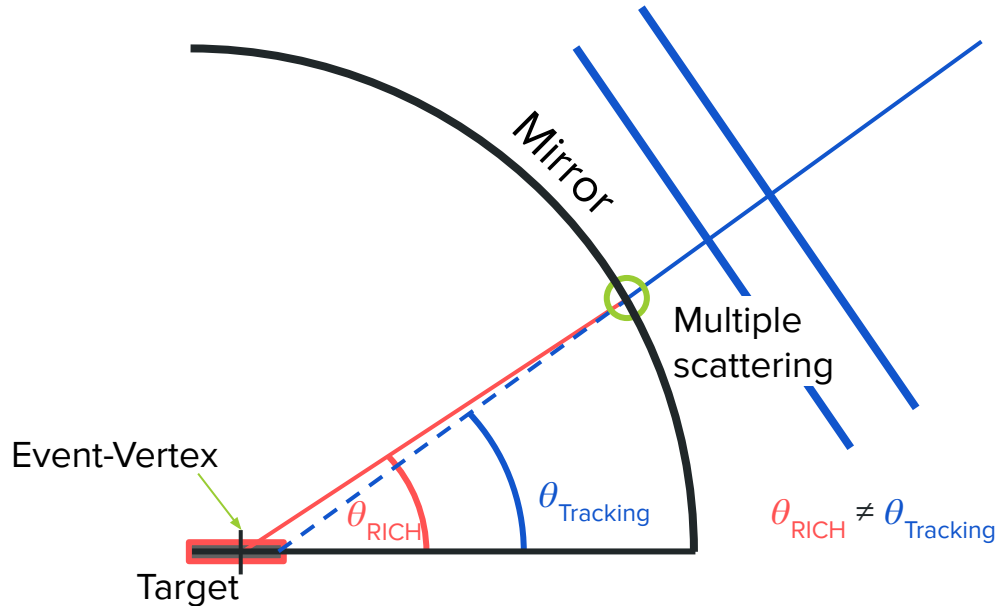
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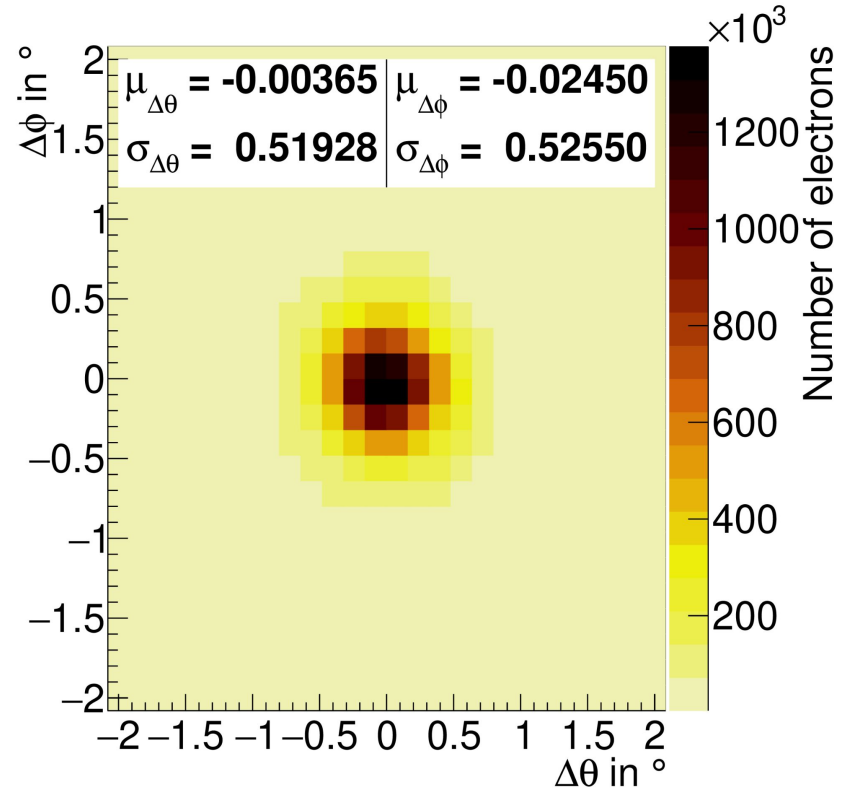
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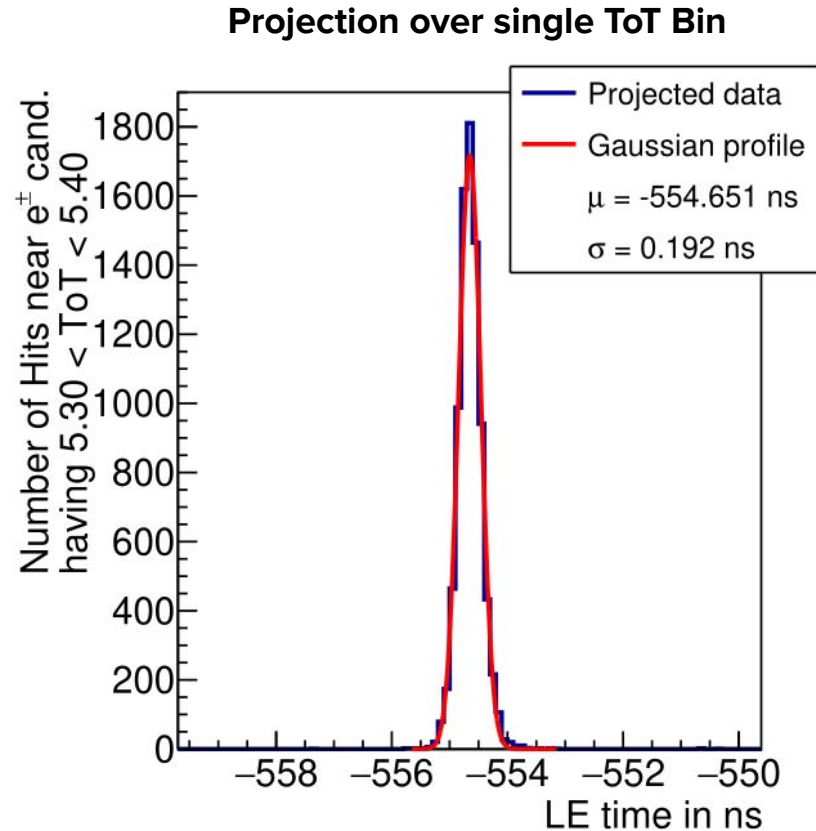
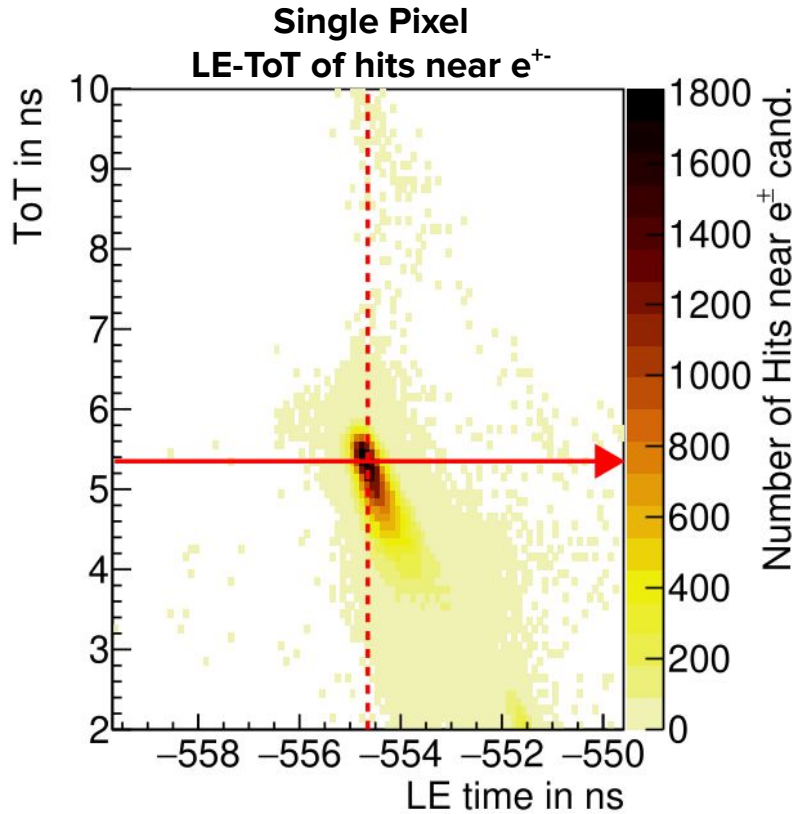
Multiple scattering correction method



- Calculate track-intersection point with mirror
- Match ring to vector from intersection point to event vertex

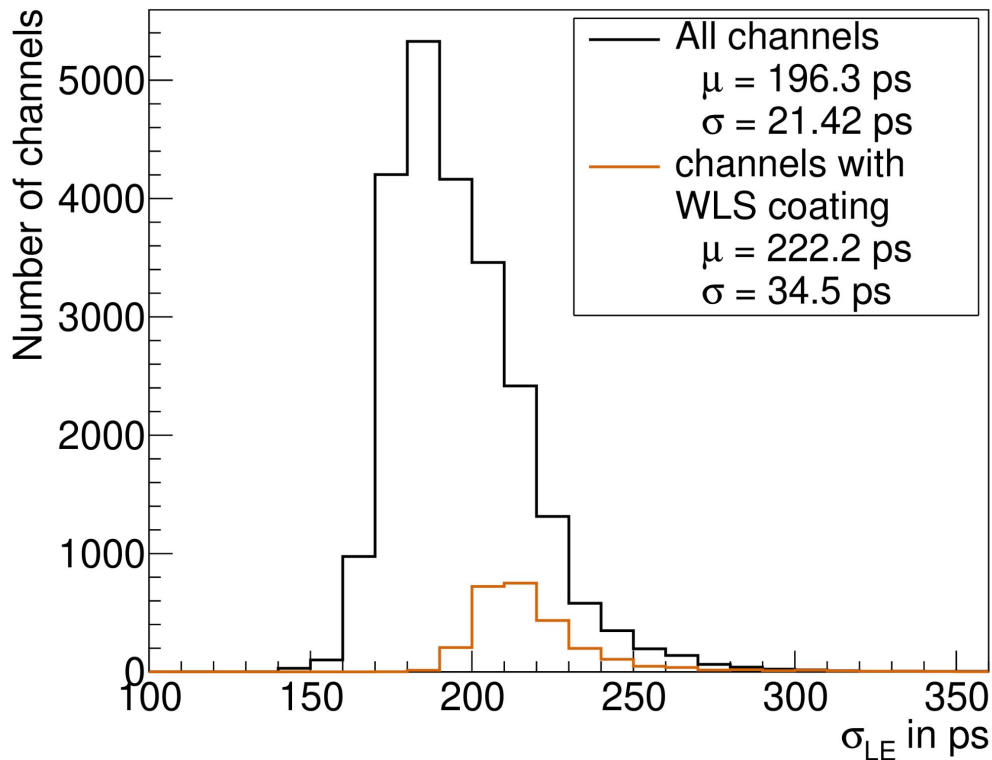


Determination of the LE timing precision



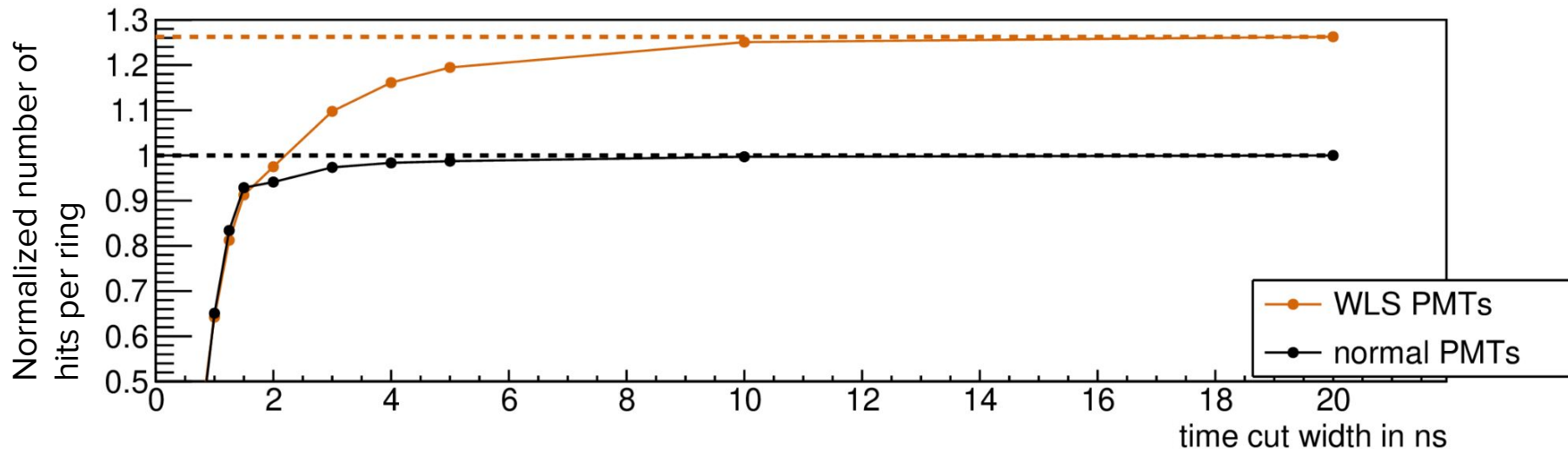
Timing precision

0.1 ns wide ToT bins



- Measured relative to HADES T_0 detector (Std. Dev. ~ 50 ps timing precision)
- Typical time spread (TTS) of MAPMT: $\sigma = 150$ ps
- Timing precision of the readout electronics: RMS = 20 ps
- Disregarding walk effects a timing precision of below 200 ps can be reached
[Upgrade of the HADES RICH photon detector and first performance analyses](#)
Jörg Förtsch (September 2021)
- WLS coating slightly worsens the timing precision

Impact of WLS coating

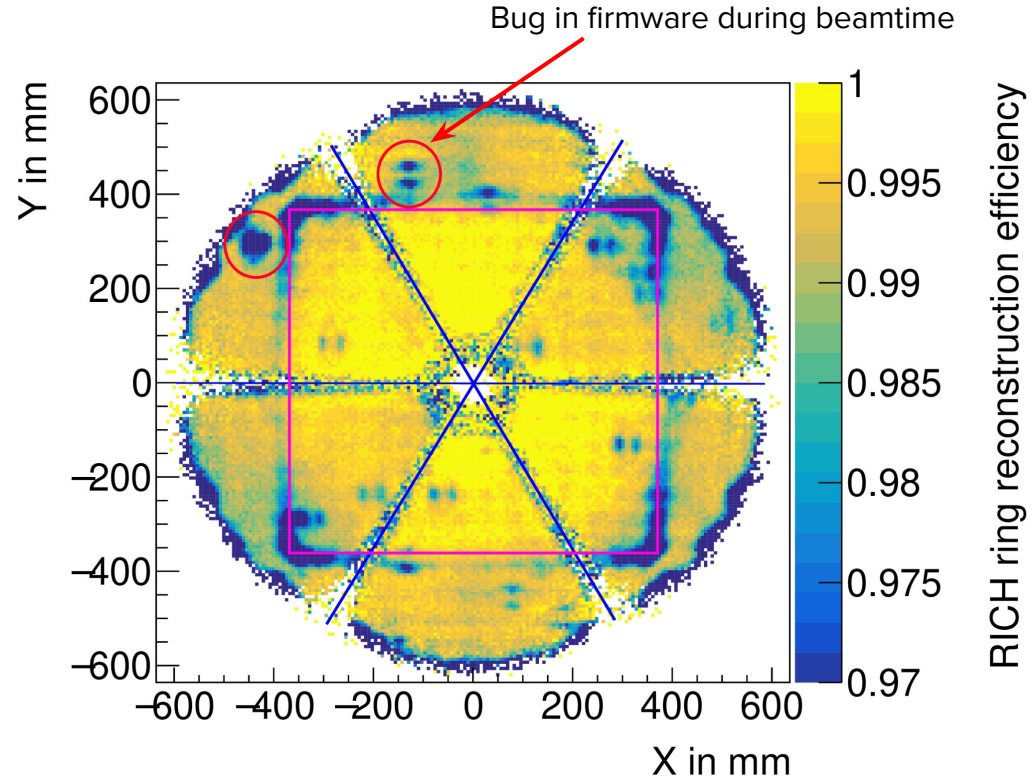


- Comparing MAPMTs at similar positions in the detector
- Maximum enhancement of $\sim 25\%$ reachable using WLS coating
- Significant improvement over uncoated MAPMTs only after ~ 1.5 ns

J. Adamczewski-Musch et al. (A. Weber corr. author), Efficiency and temporal response of p-terphenyl based wavelength shifting films on H12700 multi anode photomultipliers, Nucl. Instr. Meth. A 952 (2020) 161867, RICH 2018 conference, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2019.01.093>

Ring reconstruction efficiency

- For **any electron candidate**
 - Defined by means of β (TOF) and momentum (tracking) **not using the RICH**
- Check if **no ring was found** for this candidate
- Check if **more than 10 hits** were found in the RICH in the candidate's vicinity
- **More systematic studies show an integrated ring reconstruction efficiency of 99%**



Summary

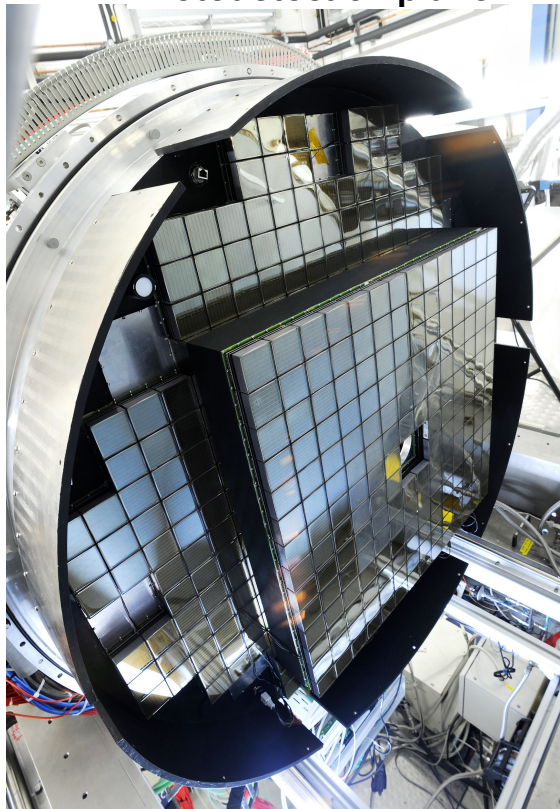
- HADES RICH upgrade with new MAPMT readout and DiRICH readout chain
- In time for very successful four week production beamtime March 2019
- Low noise and high single photon detection efficiency
- Angular ring-track matching $< 0.55^\circ$ possible when correcting for multiple scattering
- Ring finding efficiency reaches 99% integrated over full detector
- Double rings can be suppressed by counting hits in track-vicinity
- Timing precision of < 200 ps possible when disregarding effects of walk
- WLS coating increases photon yield significantly on the cost of timing precision

Backup

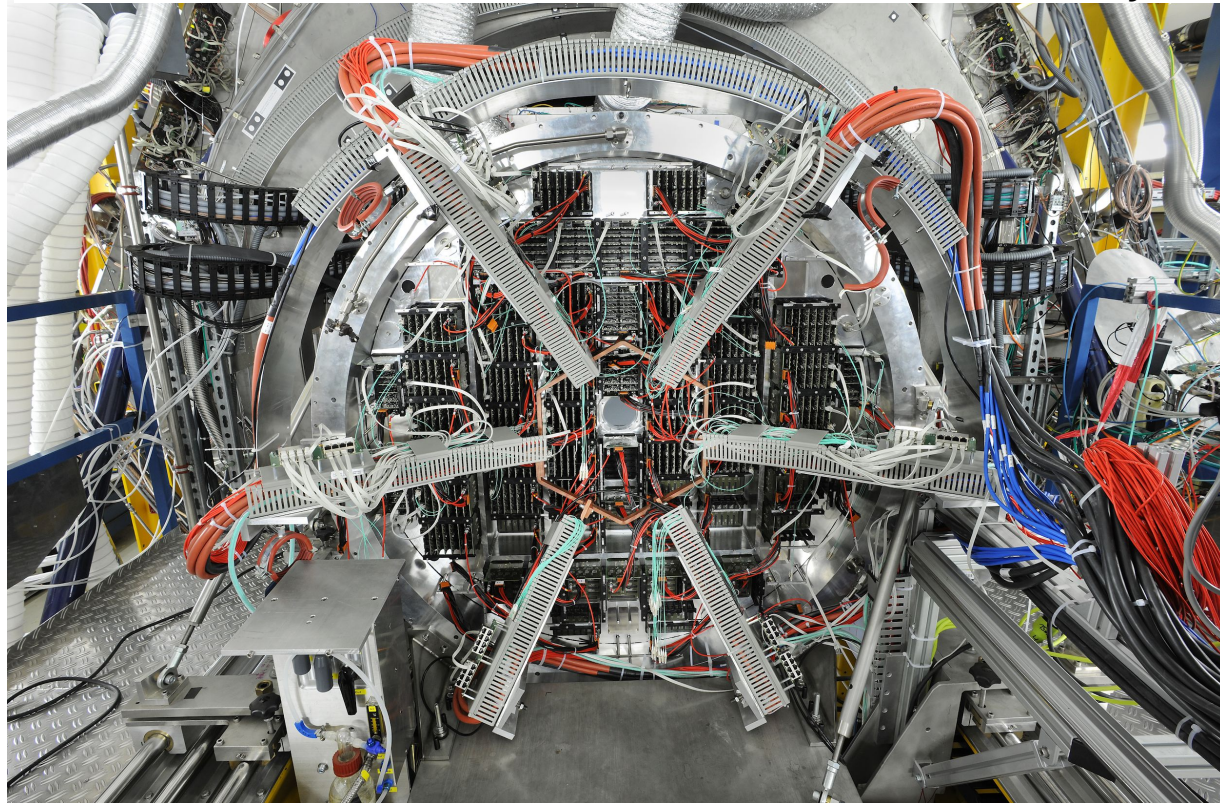


The upgraded RICH - The real thing

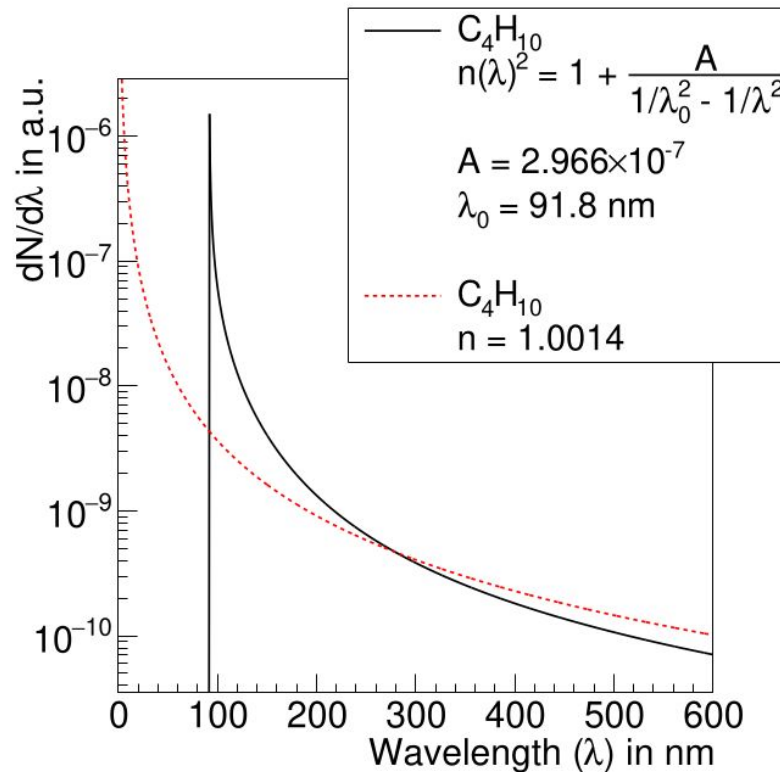
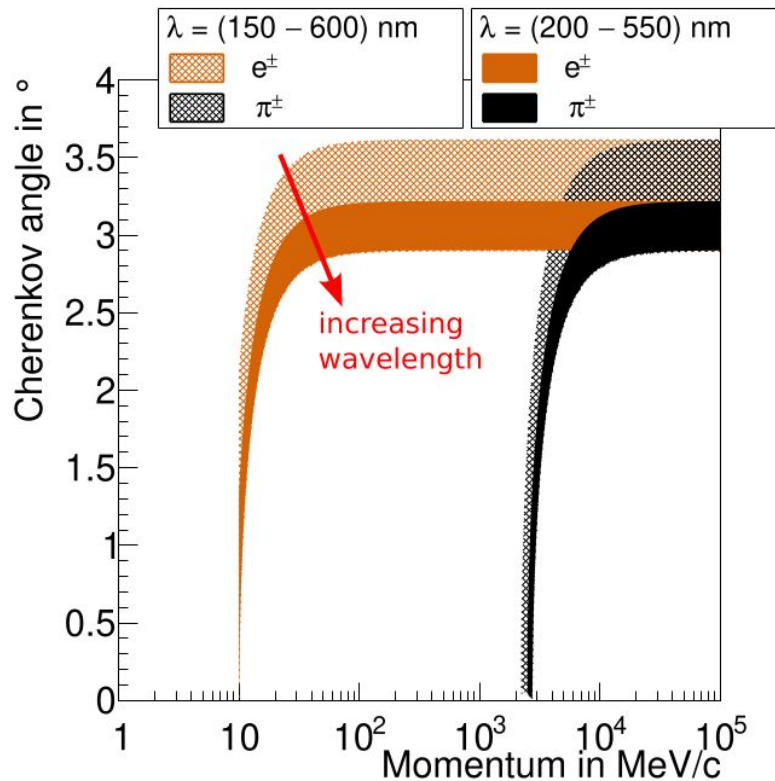
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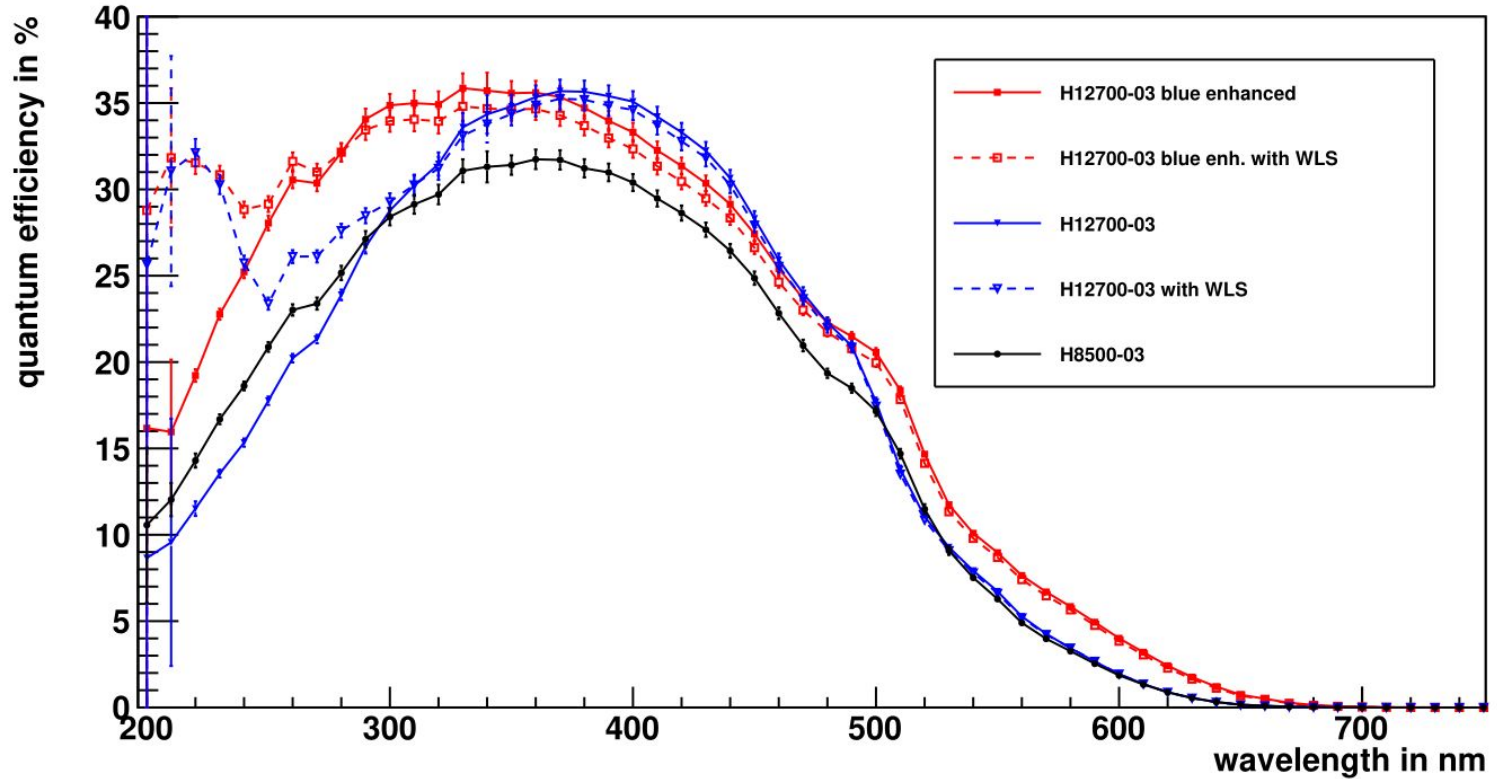
Backside of the HADES RICH with view onto the DiRICH readout system



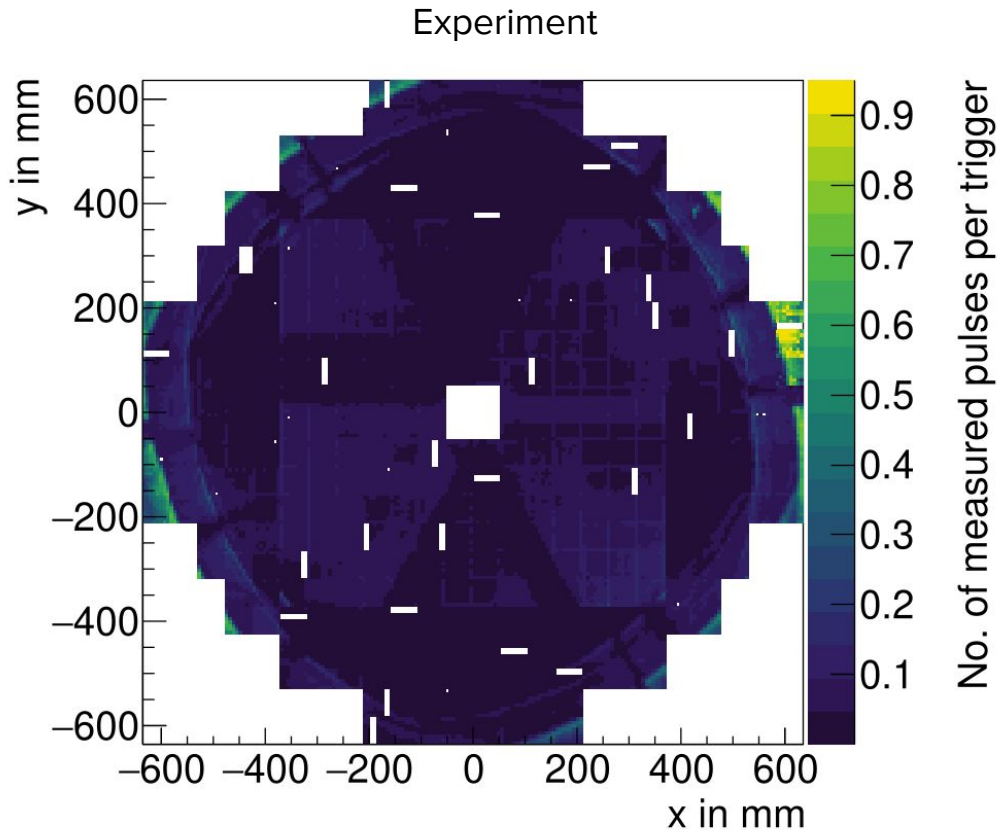
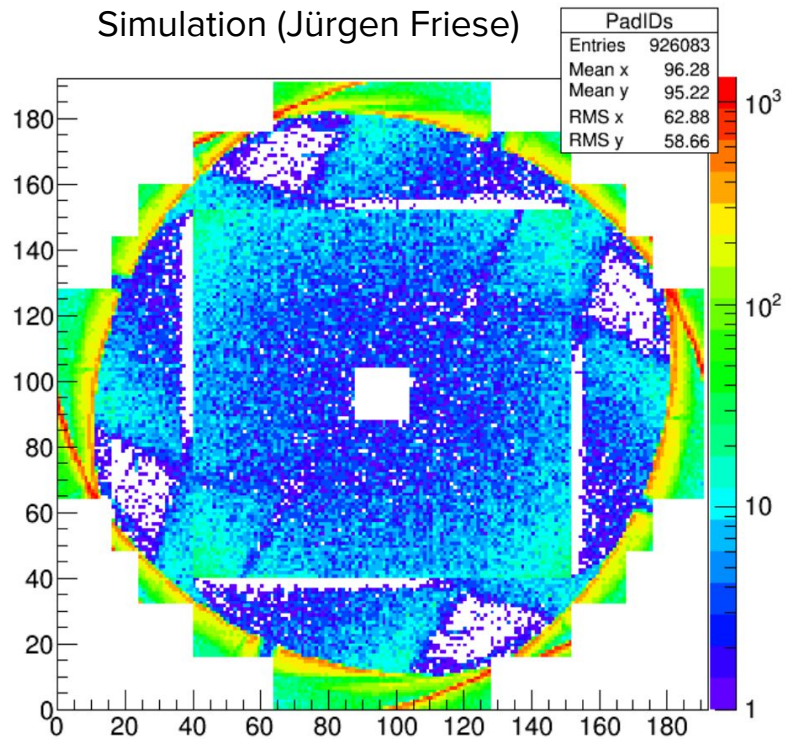
Cherenkov angle for C_4H_{10}



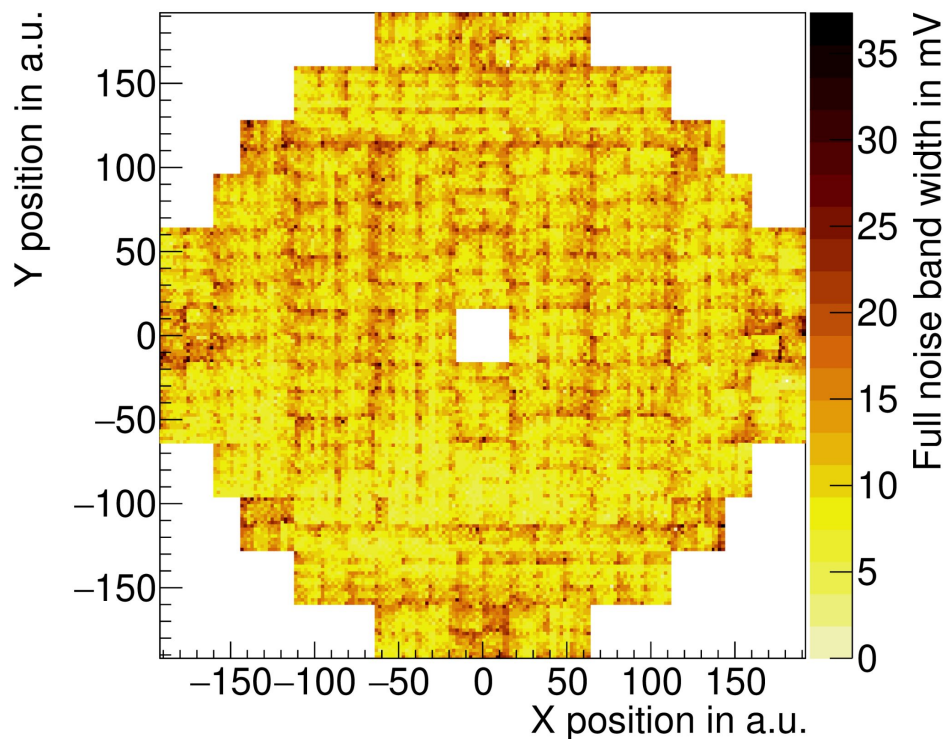
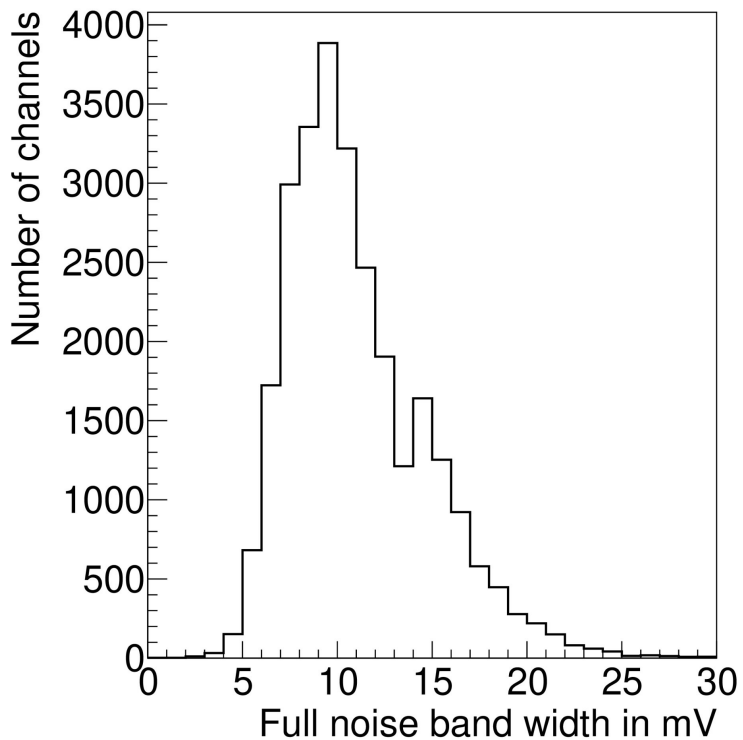
MAPMT QE



Laser system

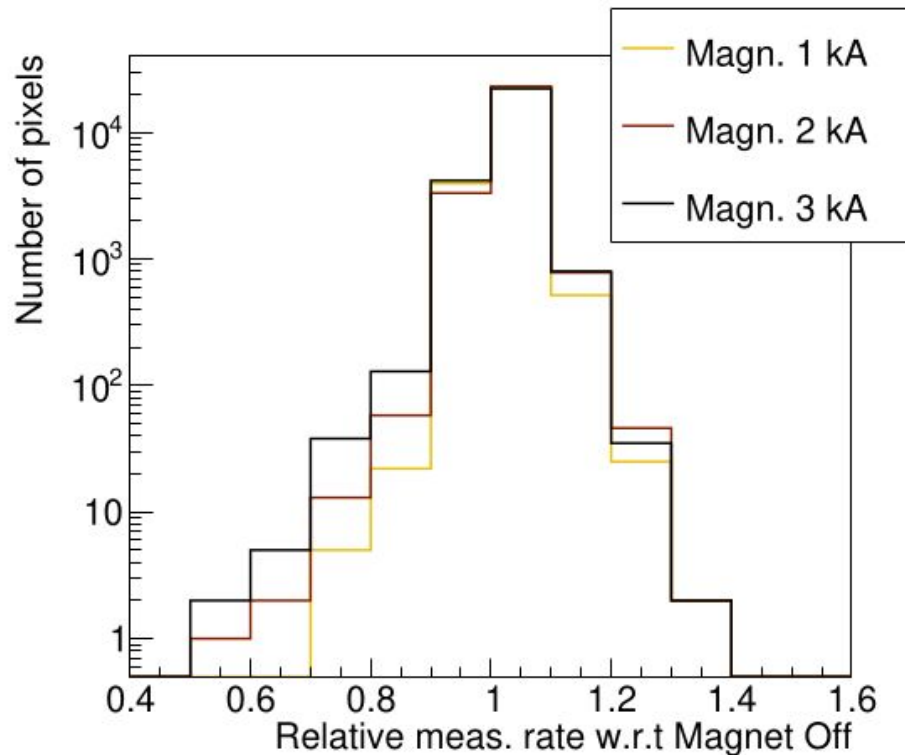
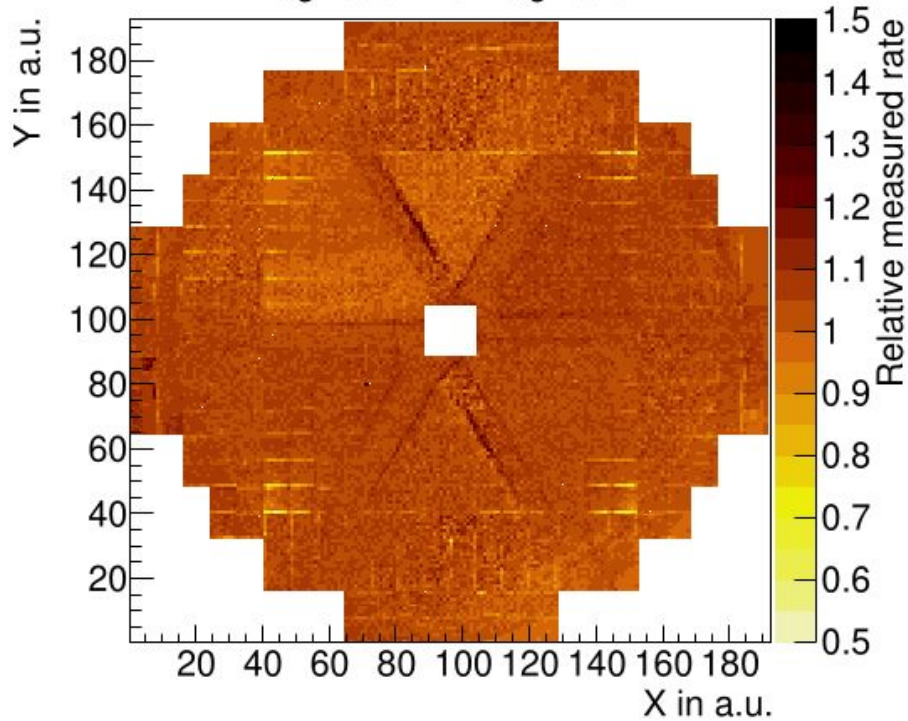


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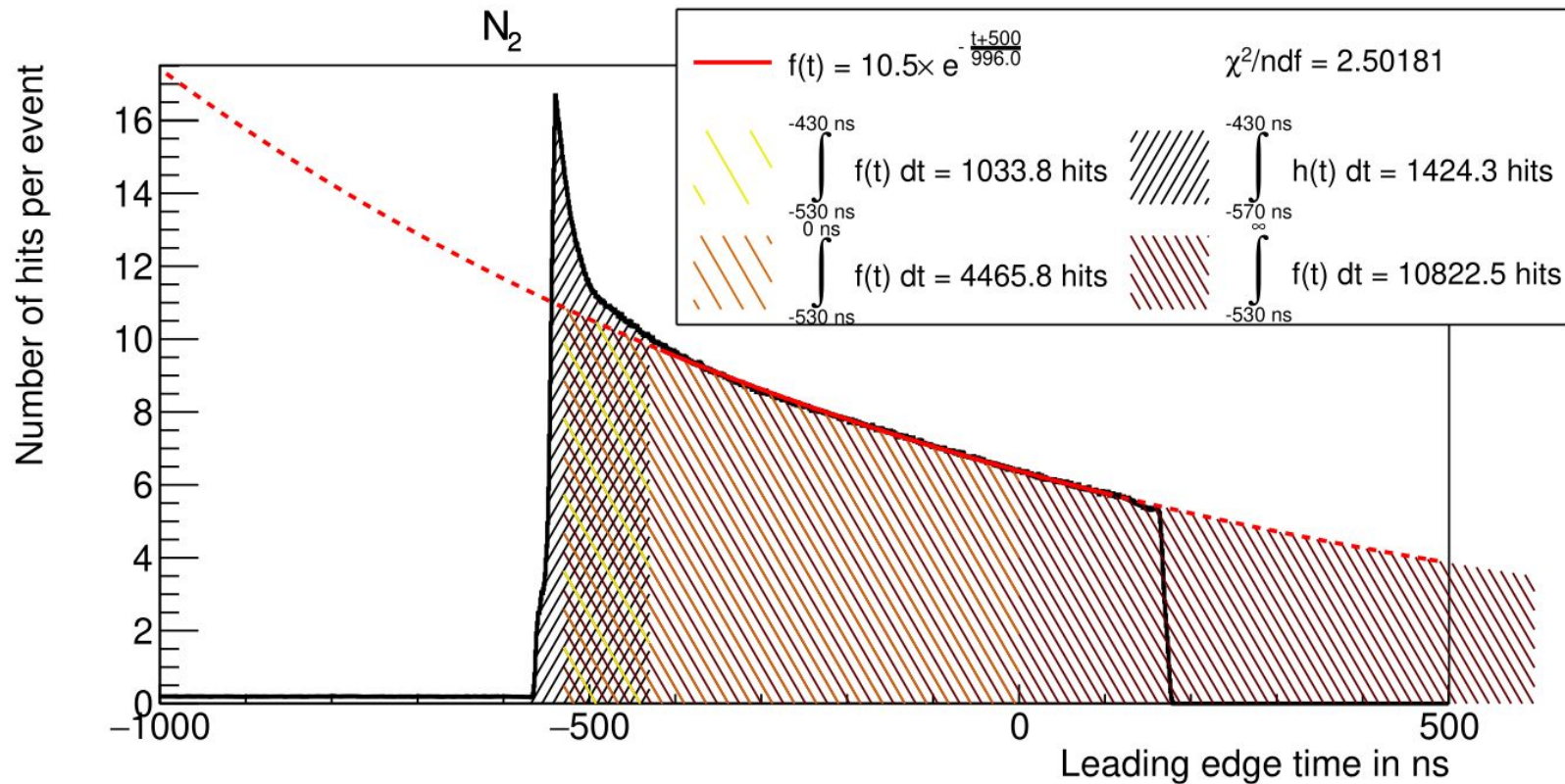


Impact of magnetic field

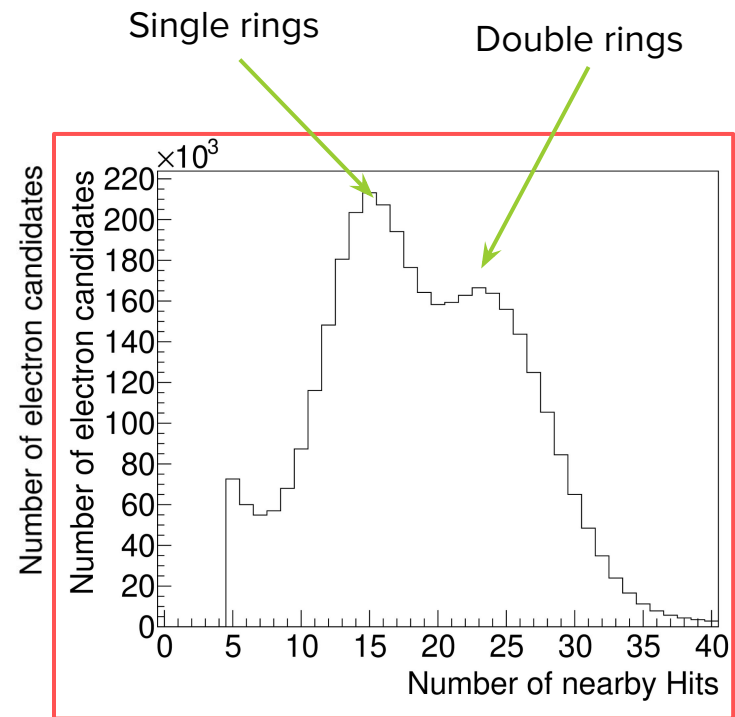
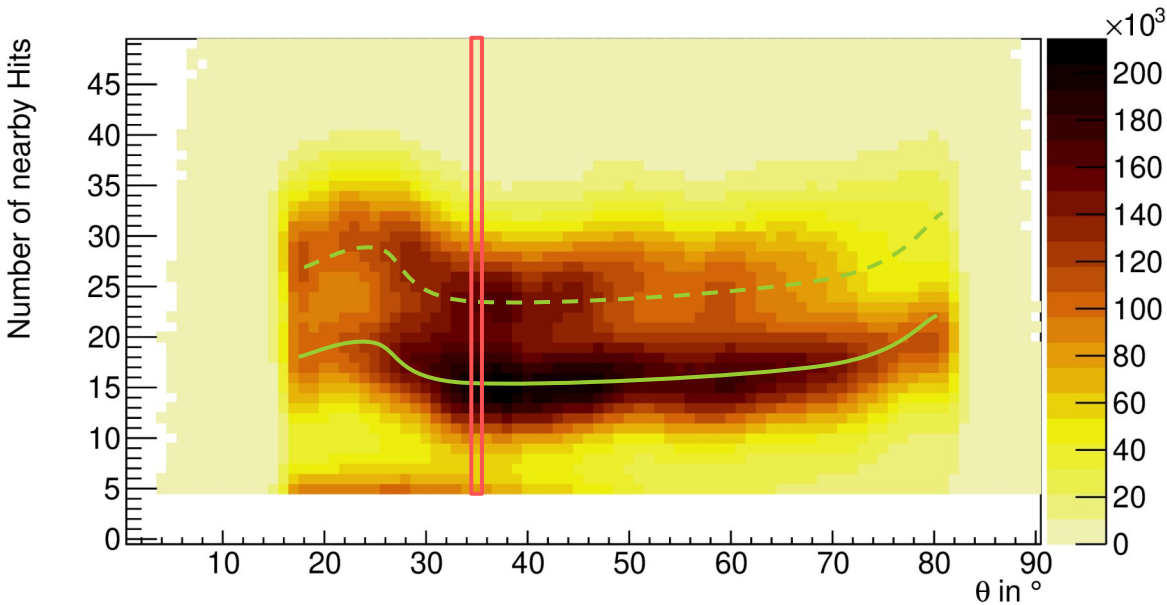
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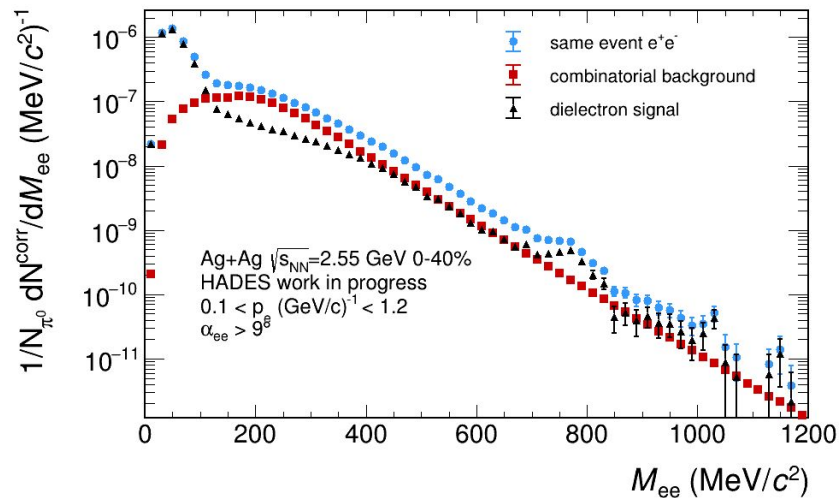
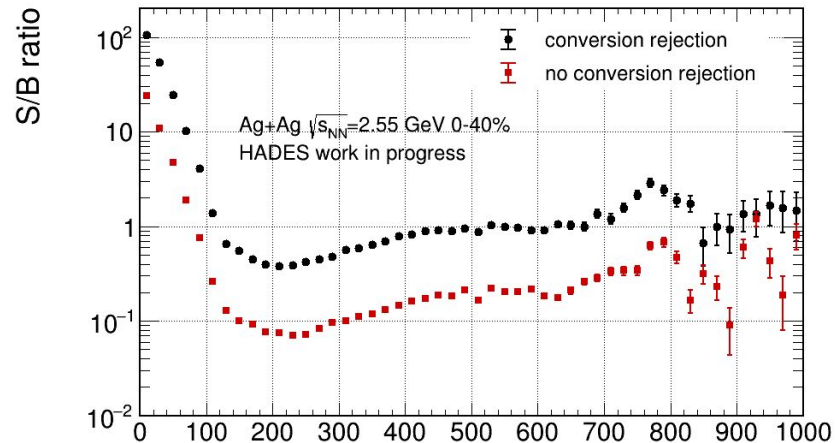
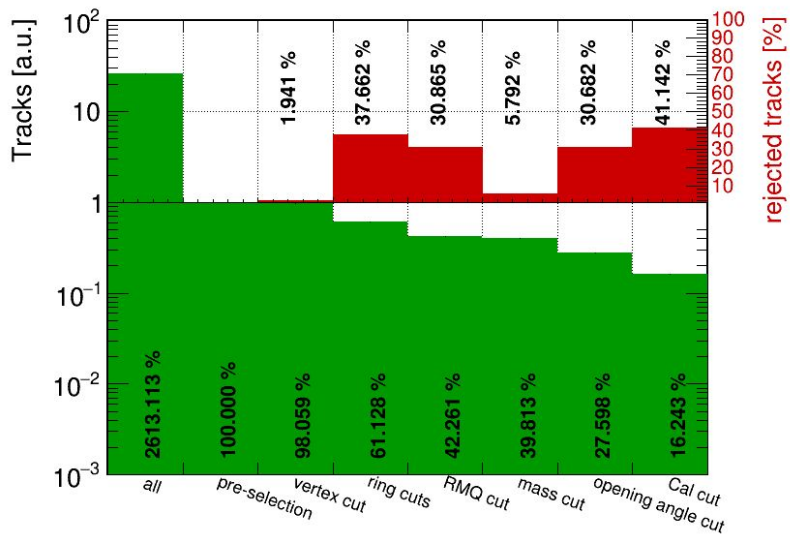
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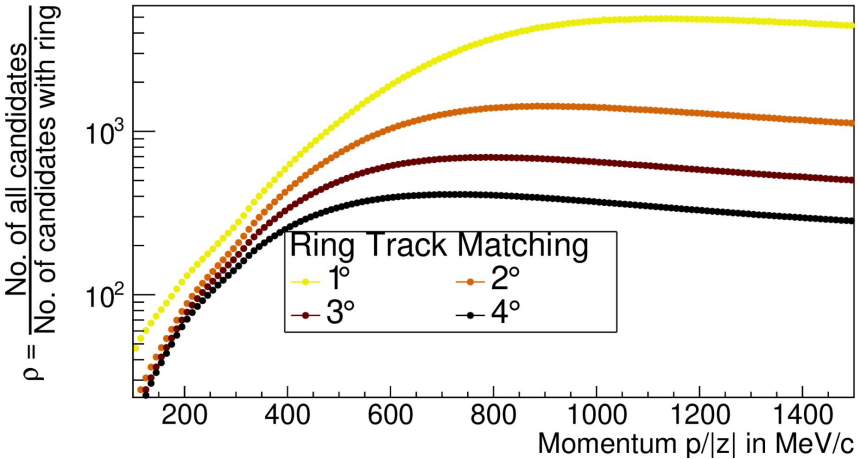
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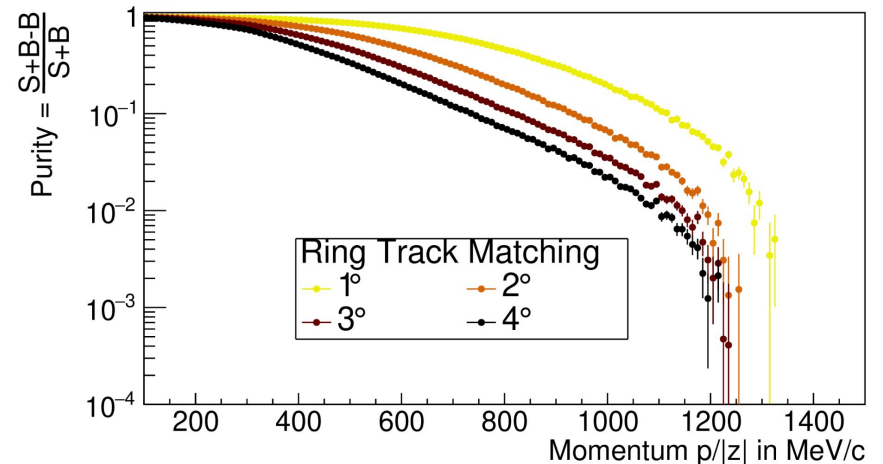
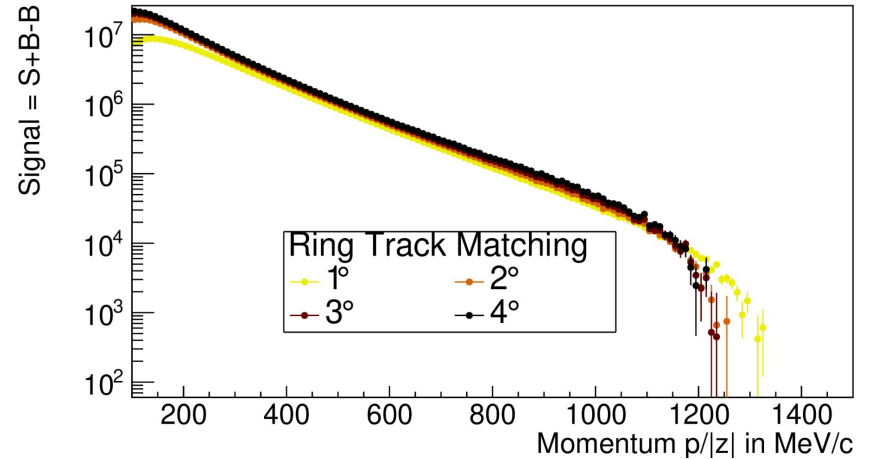
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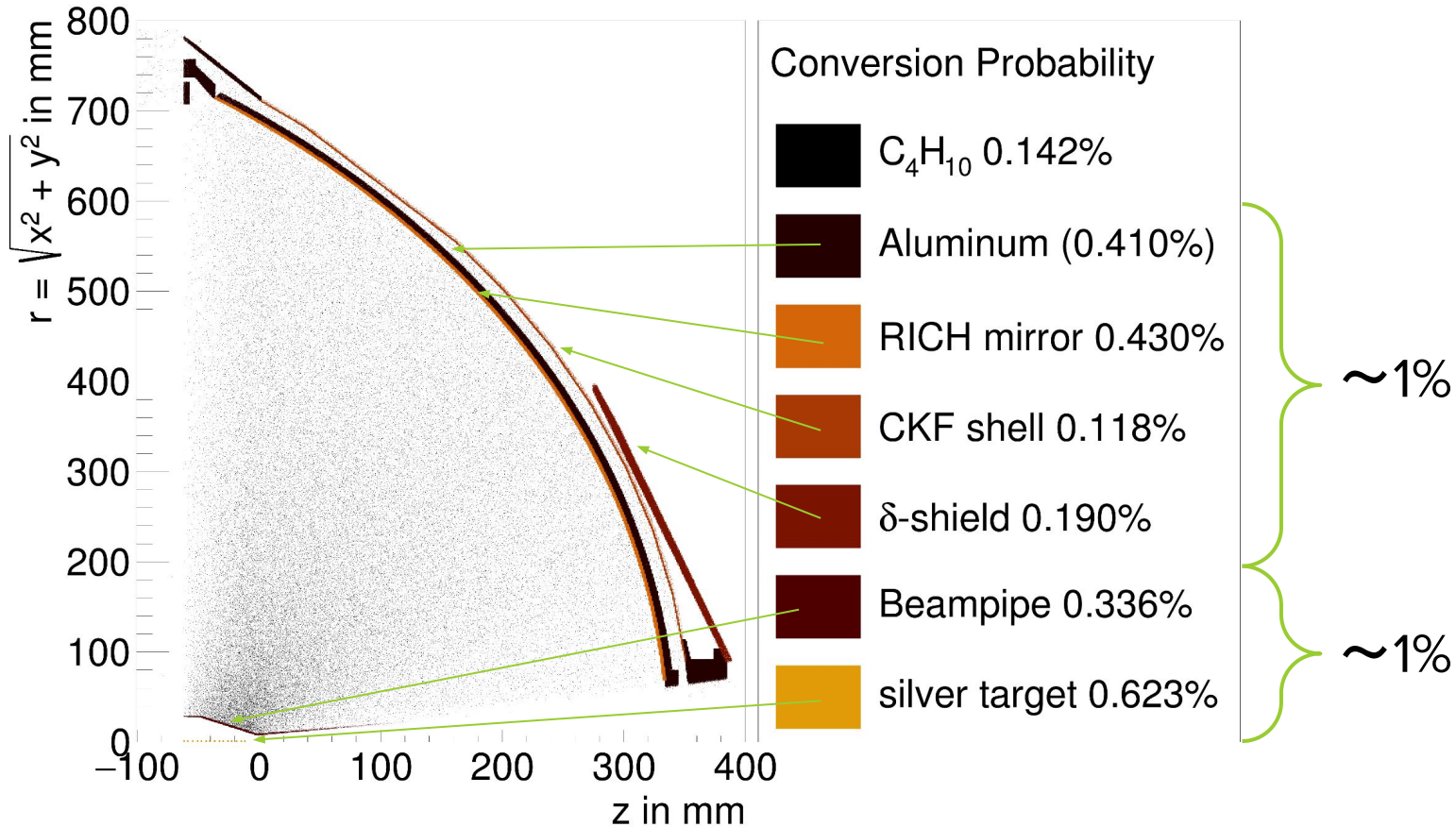
Performance of the RICH



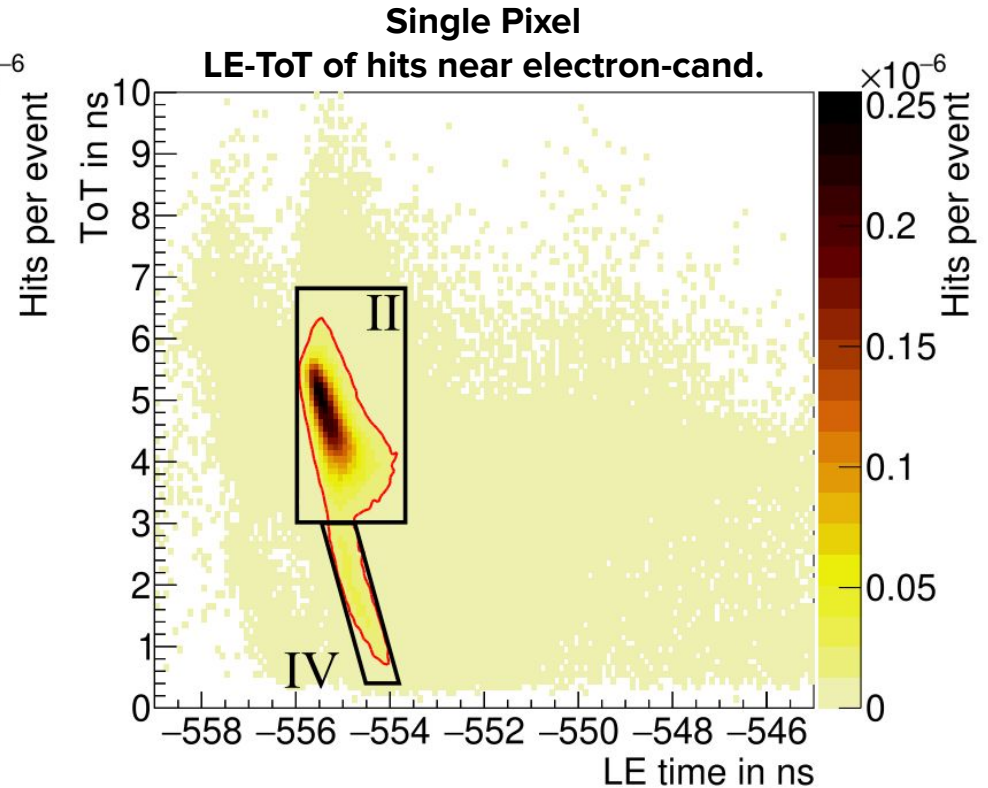
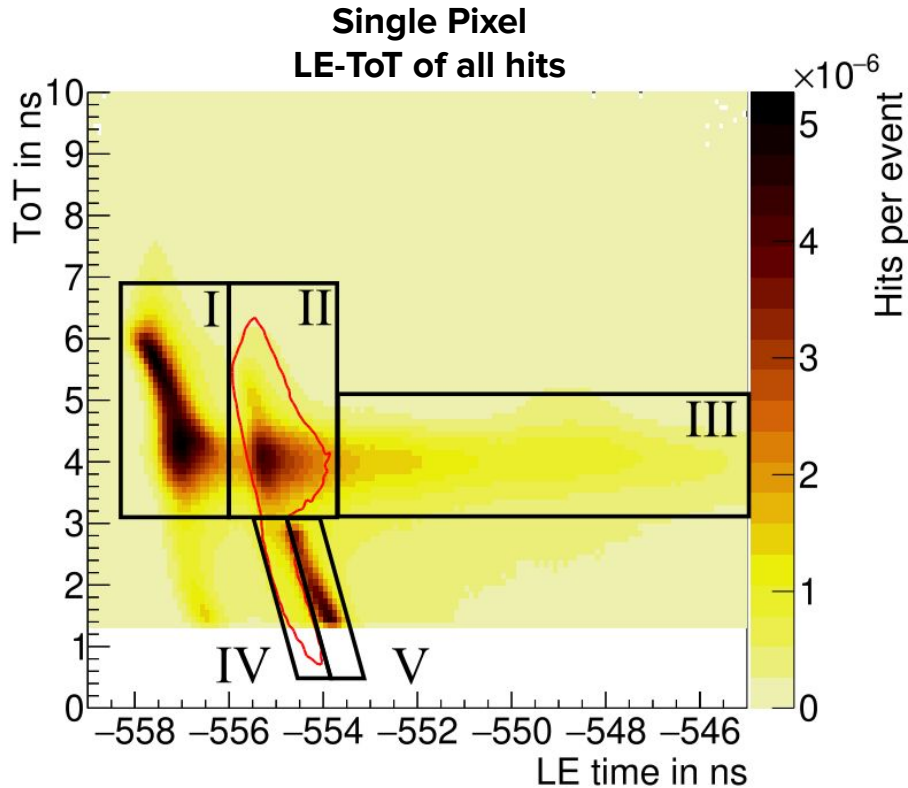
- Estimation on uncorrelated Background via RICH rotating technique
- Rotate azimuthal position of all RICH rings by $\phi = 180^\circ$



The problem - The material budget of the RICH

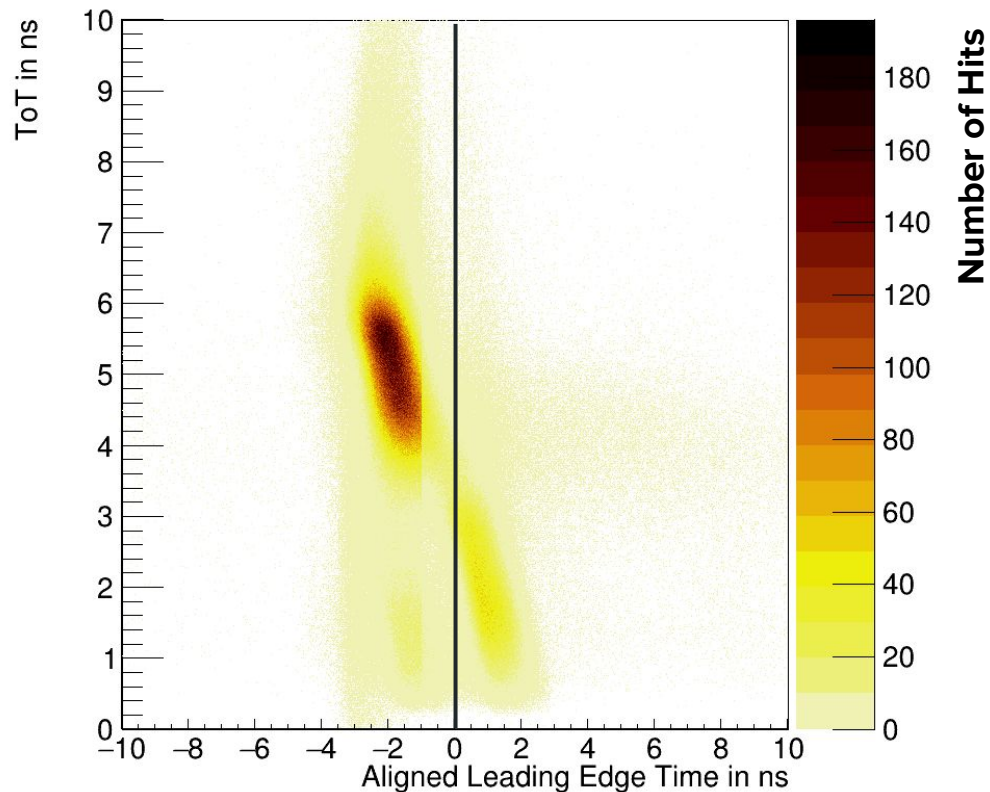
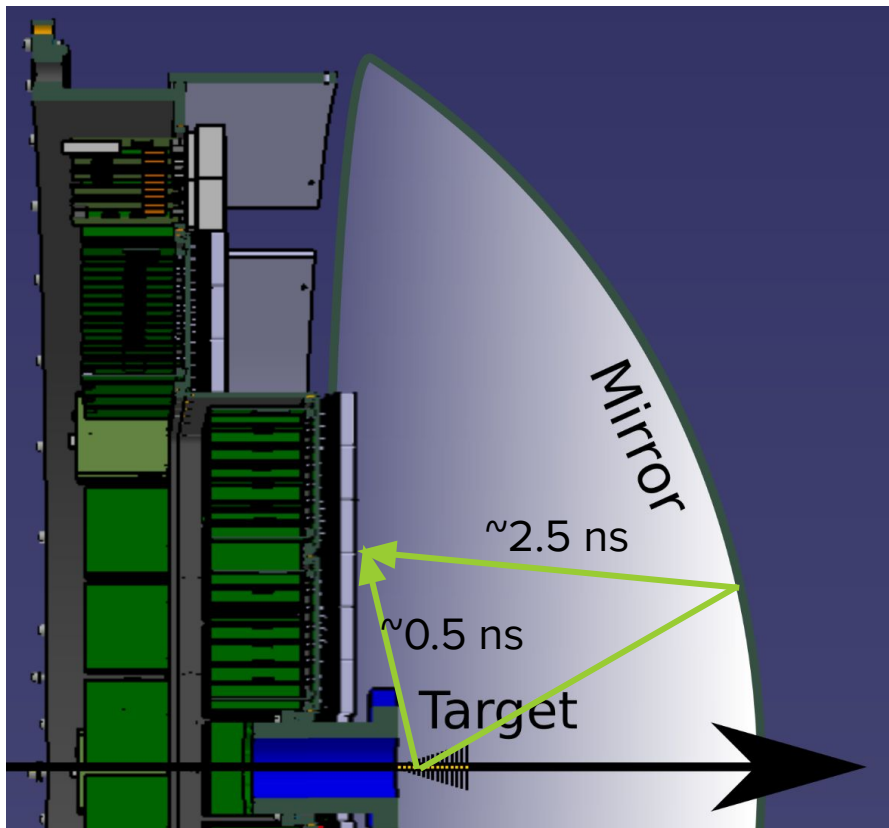


Discussion of the LE time spectrum



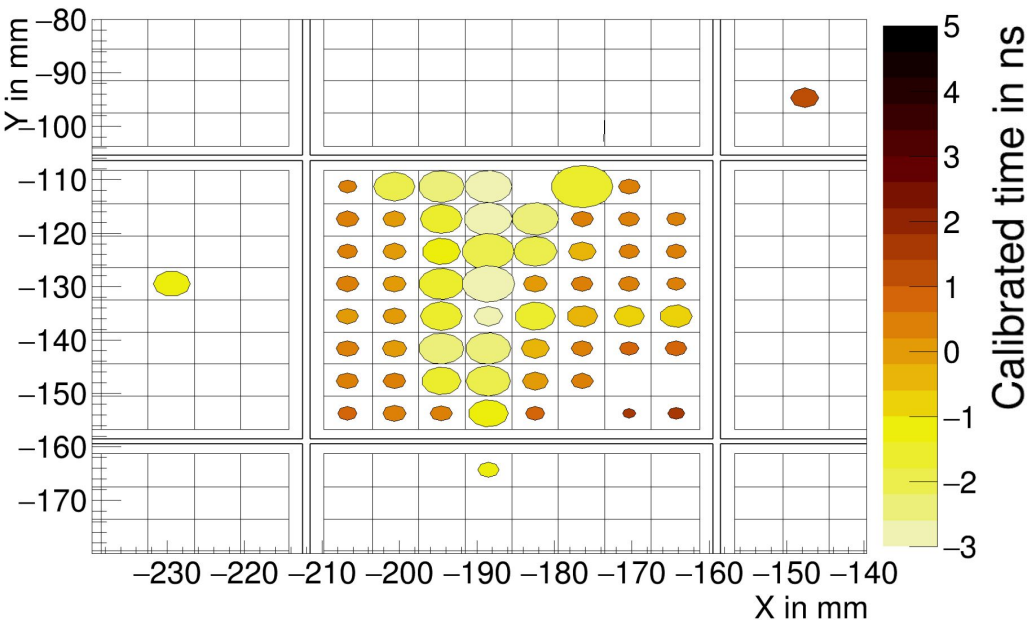
Discussion of the LE time spectrum - Regions I and V

Timing of Hits from "Blobs"

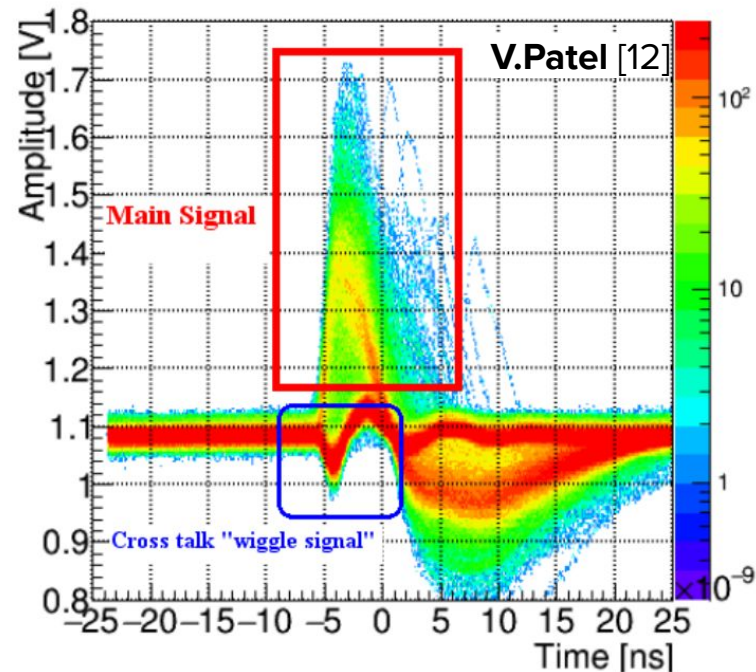


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Single Event Display
"Blob" event

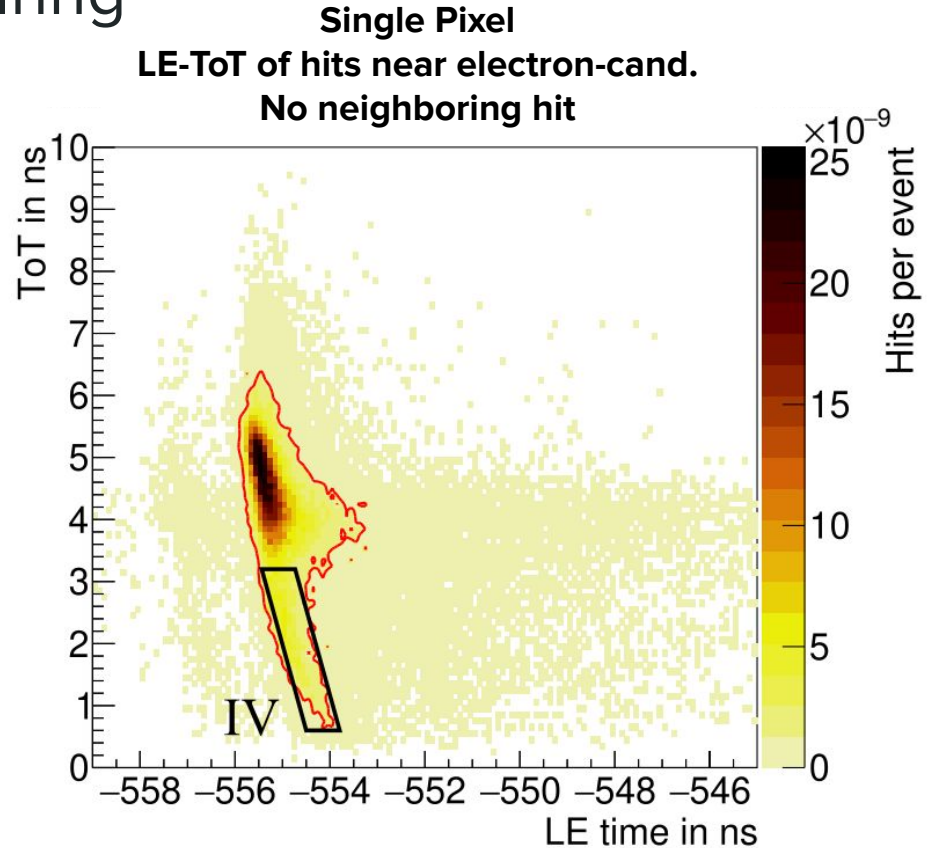
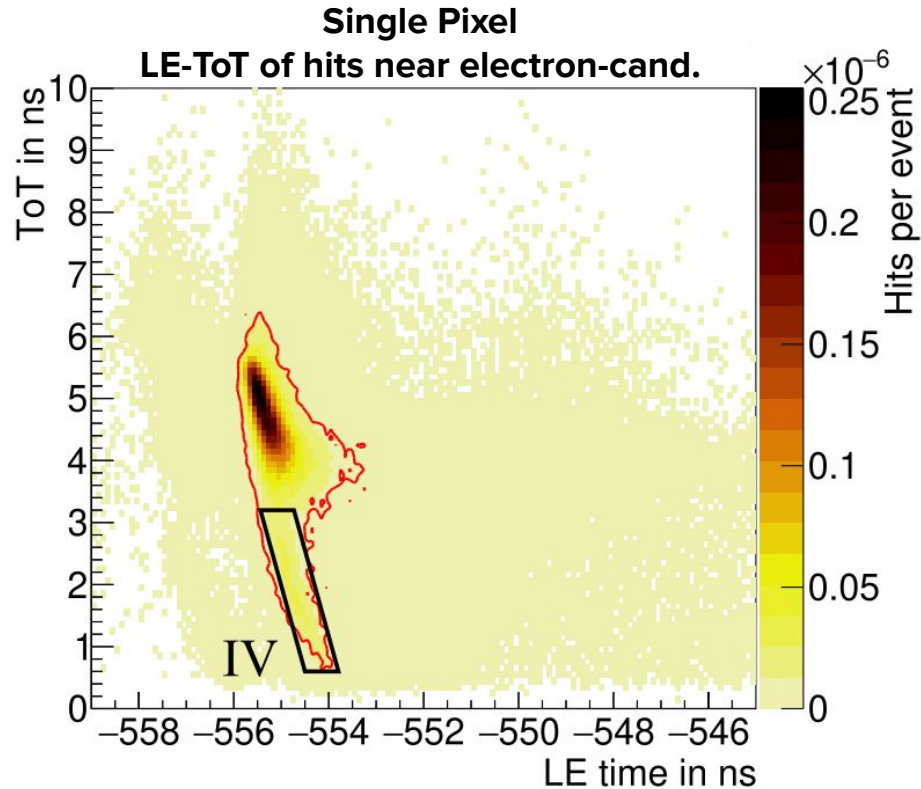


Oscilloscope measurement
MAPMT signal in the DiRICH input stage

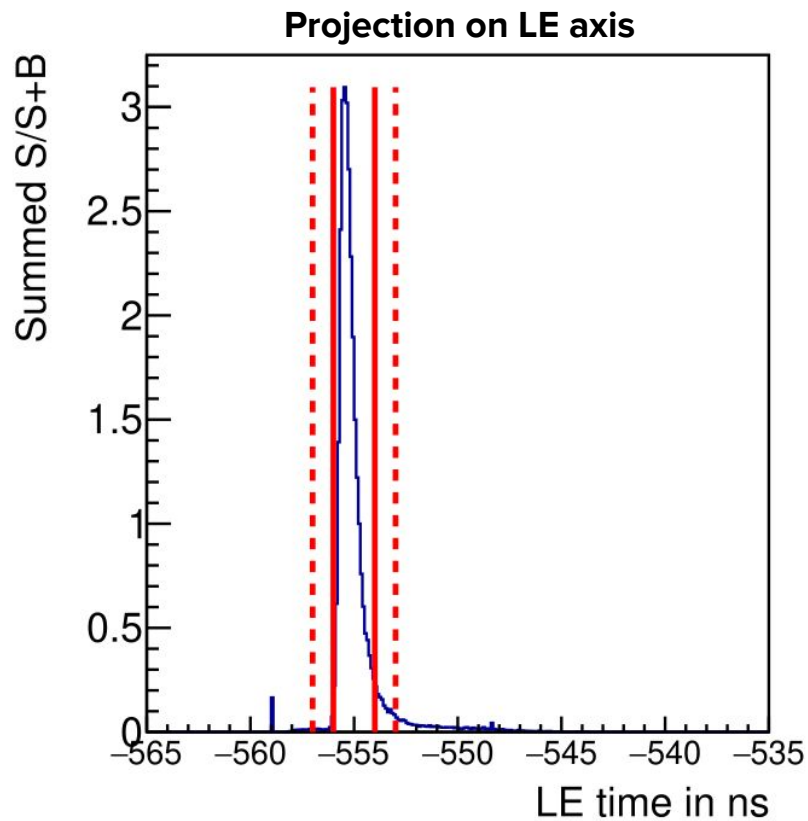
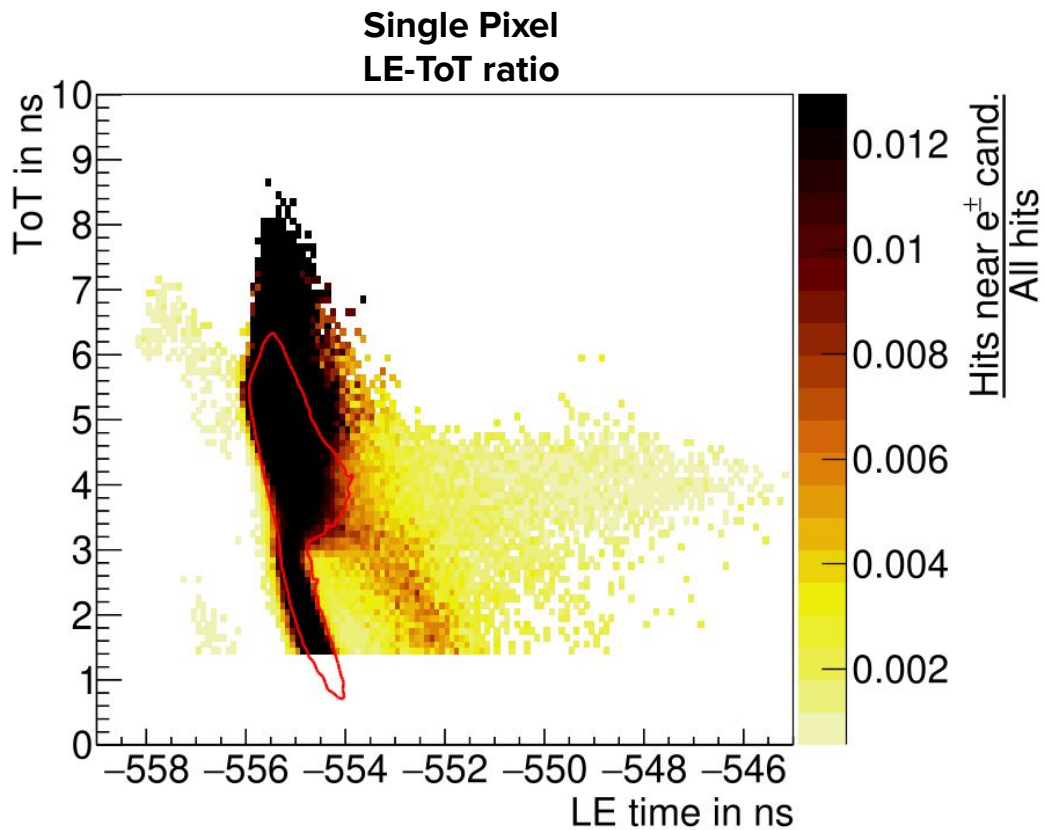


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- Crosstalk and Charge sharing



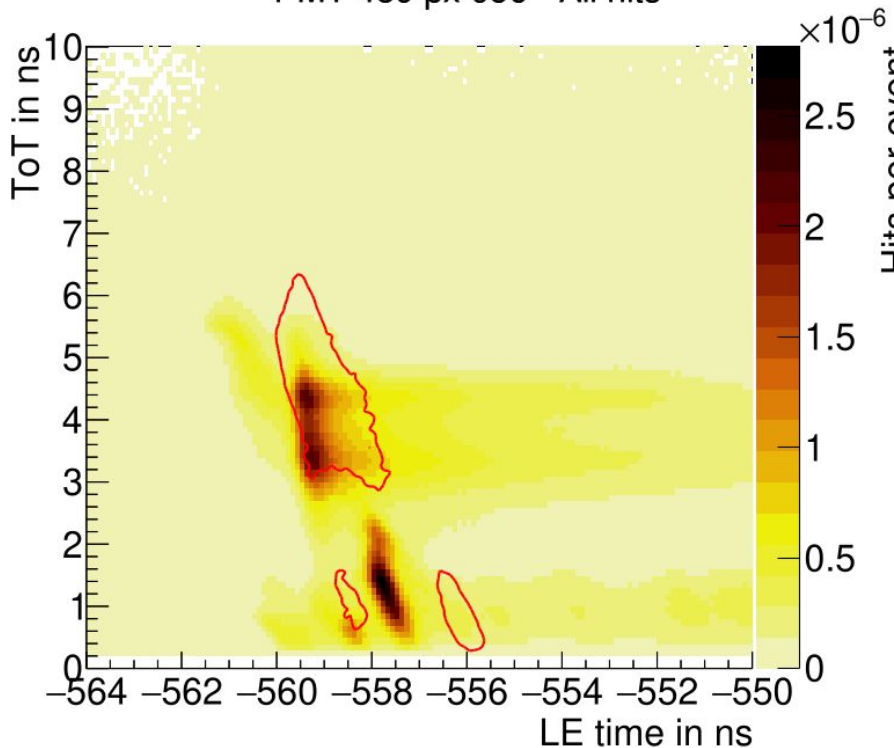
Derivation of sharp LE time cut



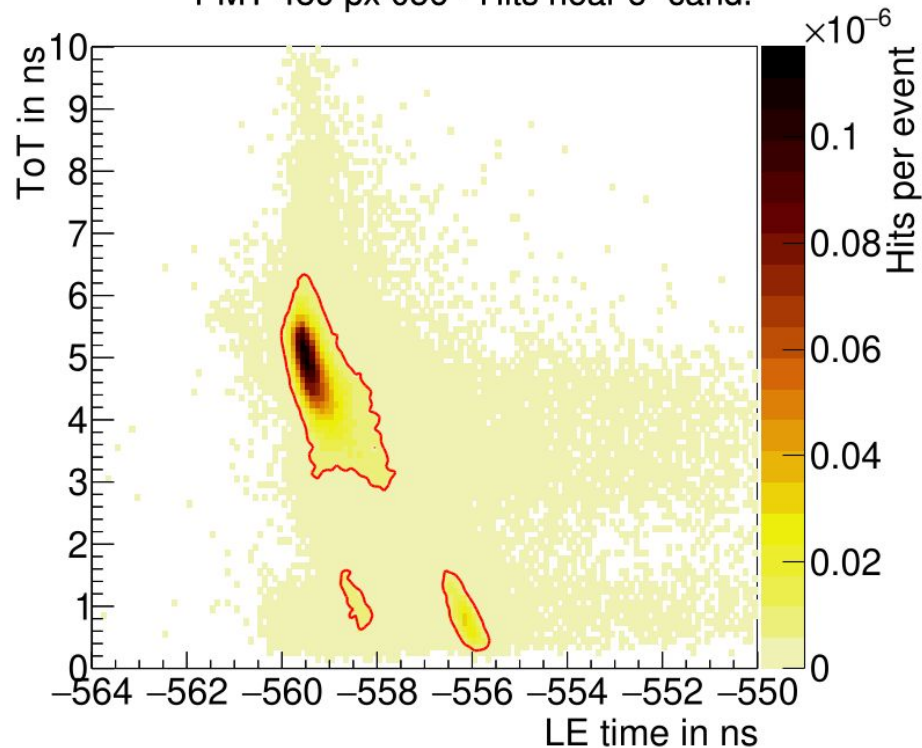
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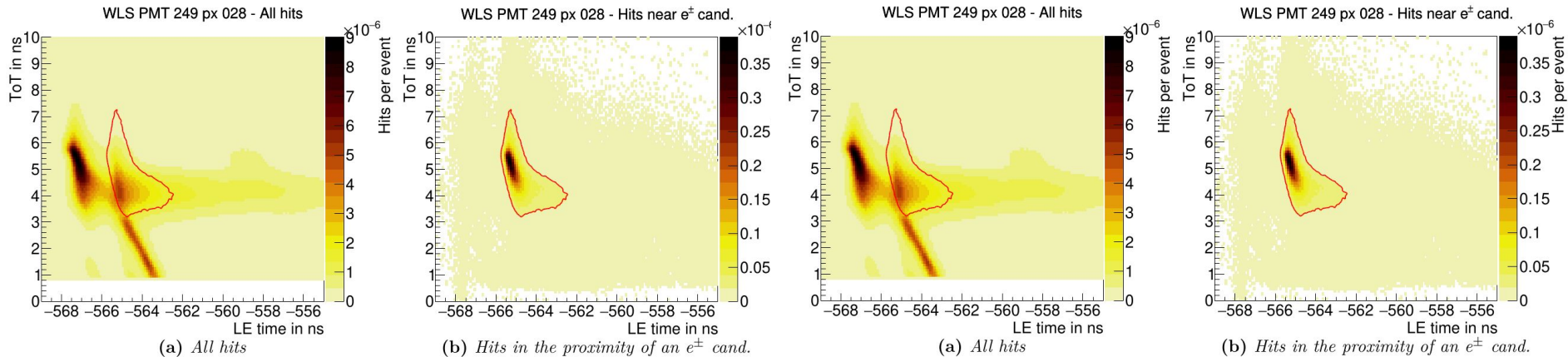
PMT 489 px 056 - All hits



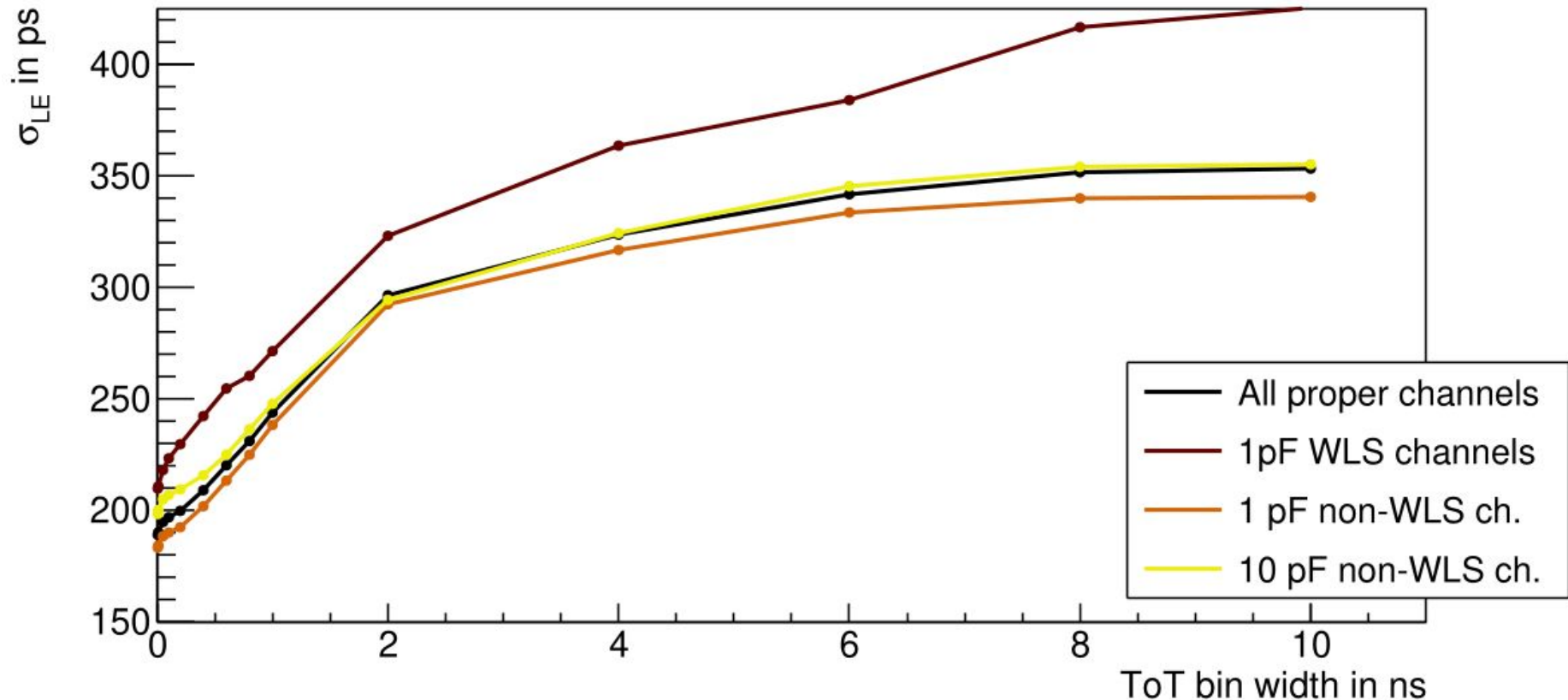
PMT 489 px 056 - Hits near e^\pm cand.



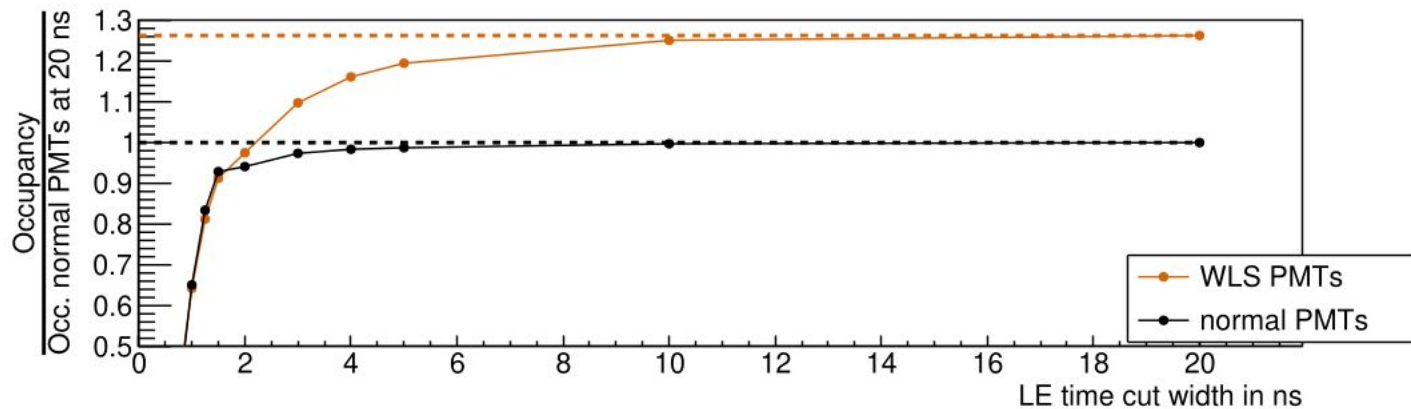
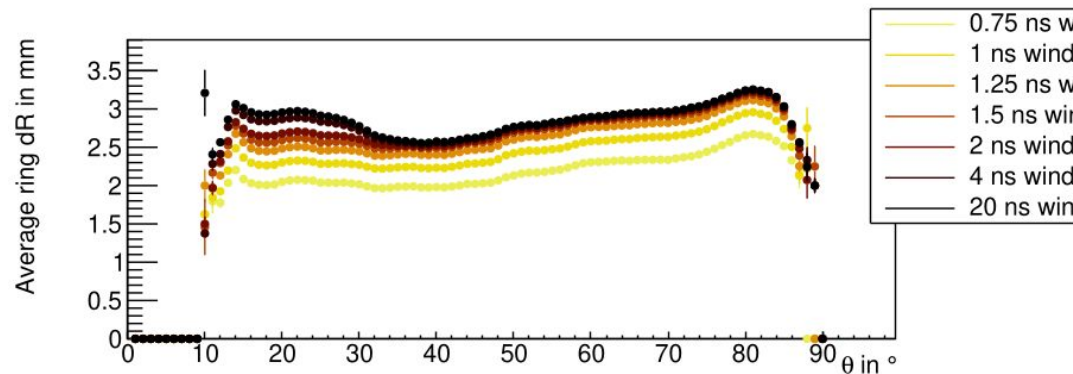
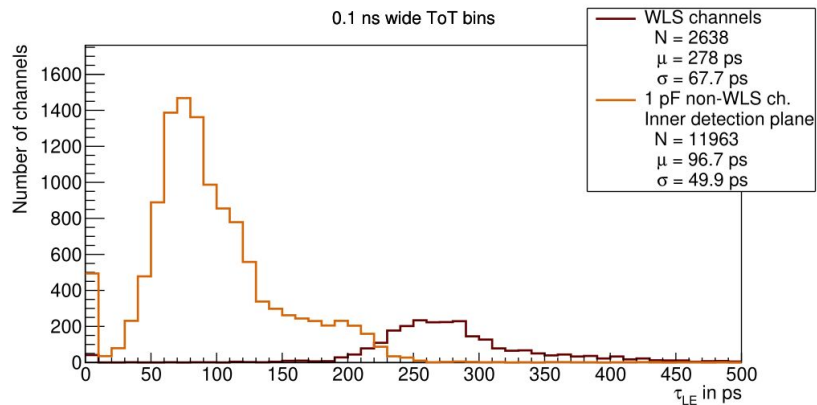
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Determination of the LE timing precision

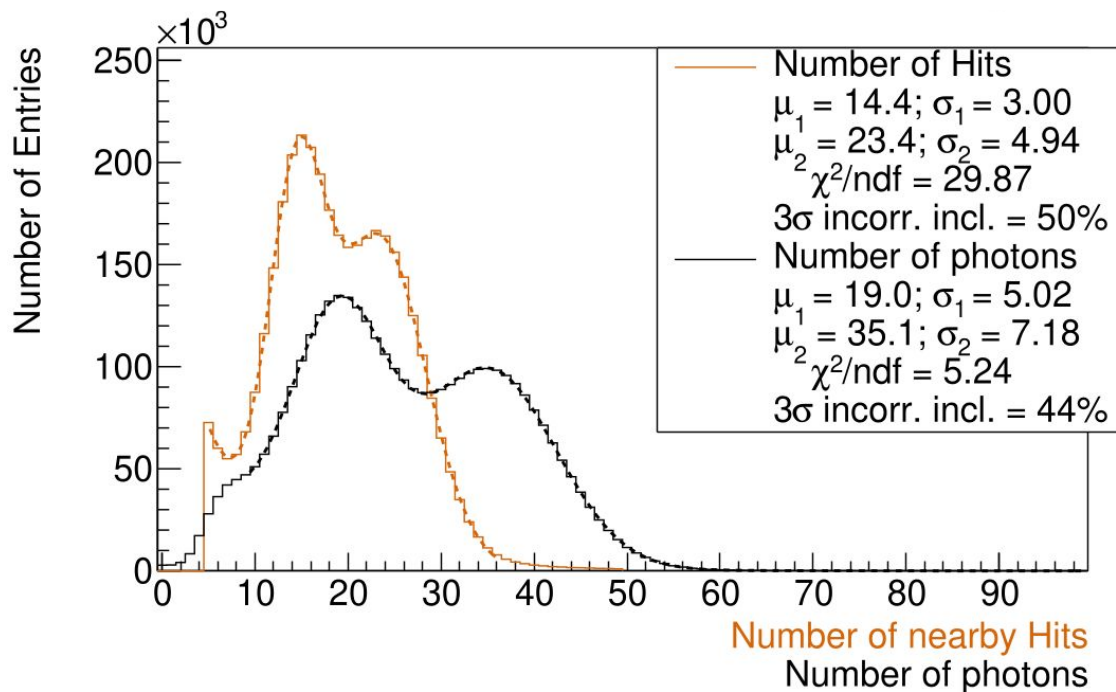


Determination of the LE timing precision for WLS

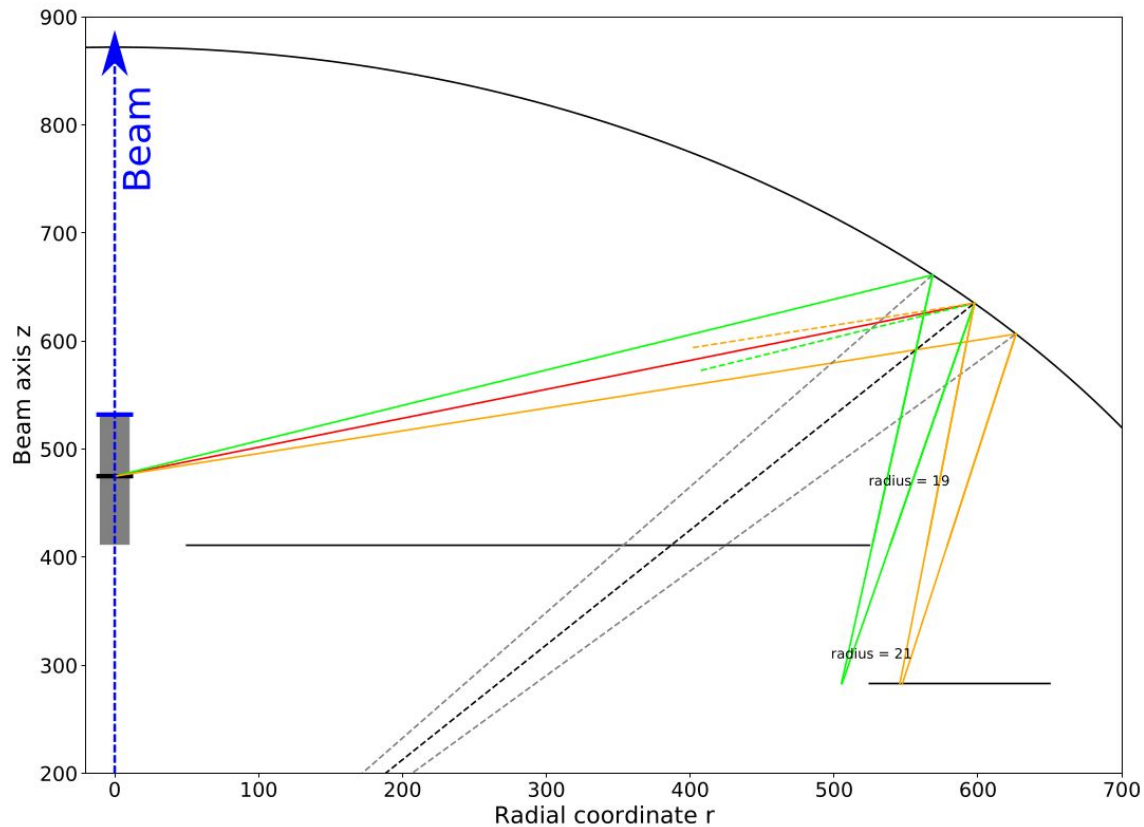


Calibration procedure and result

- Smooth spectra
- Fit “darknoise”/single photon spectra to extract single photoelectron peak position
- “Double” photoelectron response extracted from beam data
- Extrapolate linearly in-between to retrieve “Number of Photons”
- Improved shape
- Slightly improved distinction
- Nearly correct number of photons for two rings

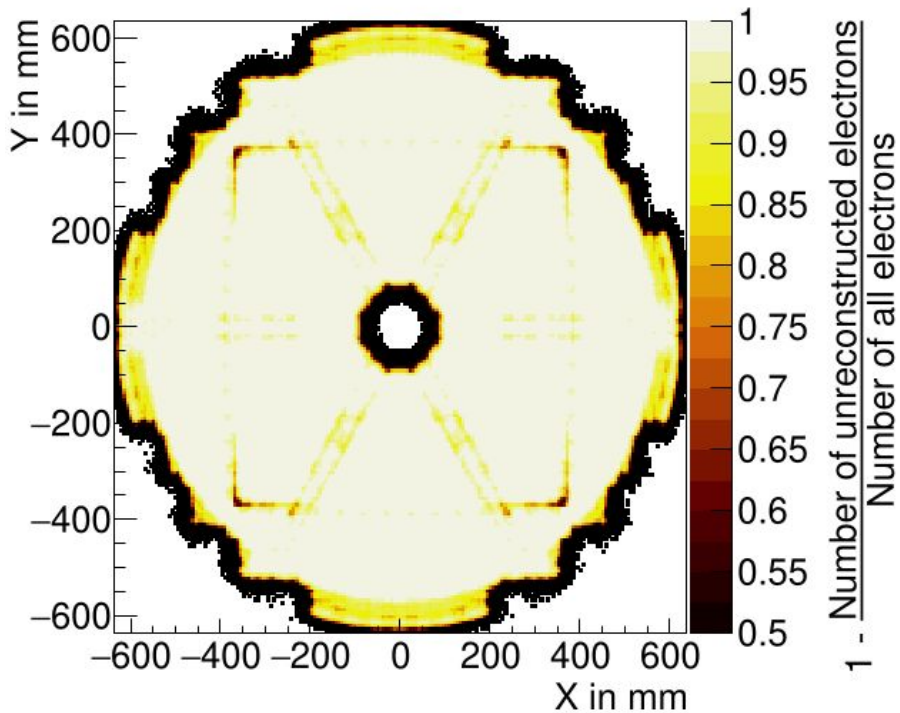


Problem - Ring hitting gap

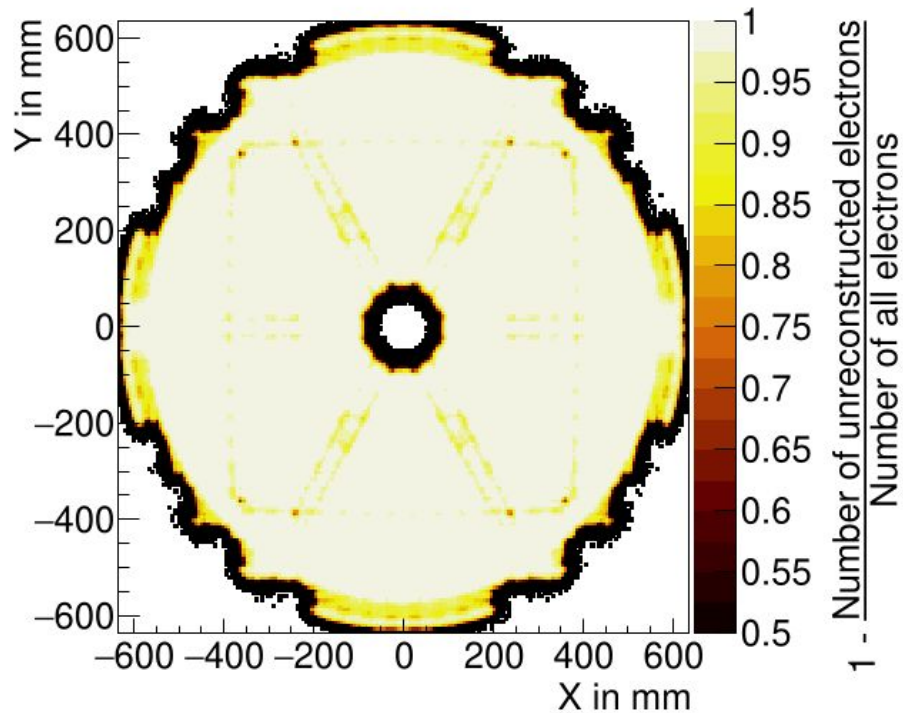


Results (Based on simulation)

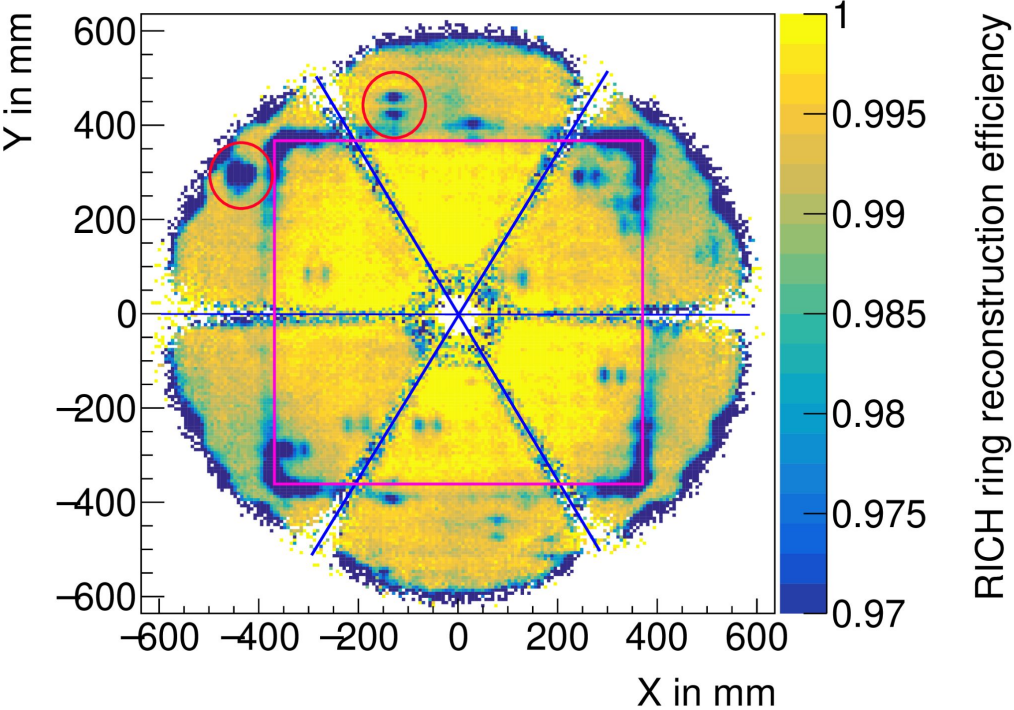
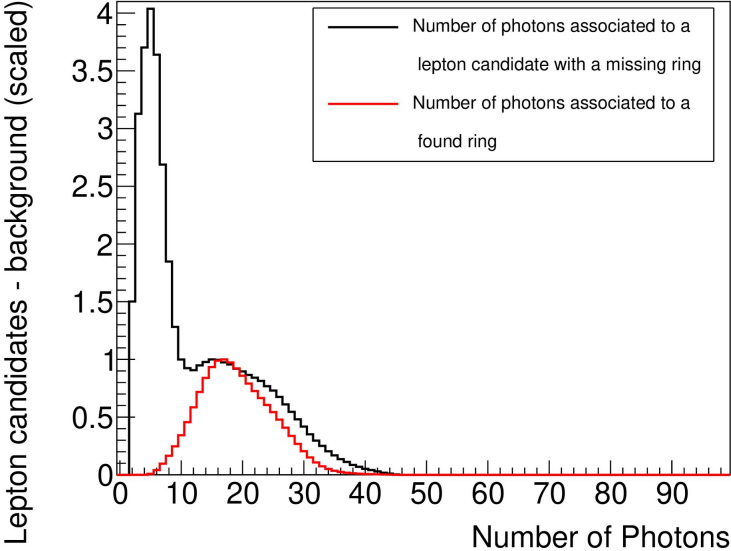
Using original x/y coordinates



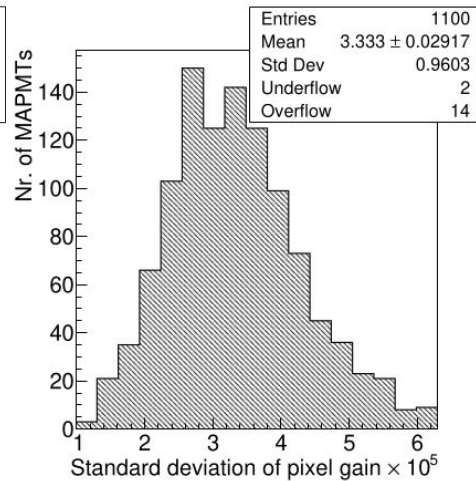
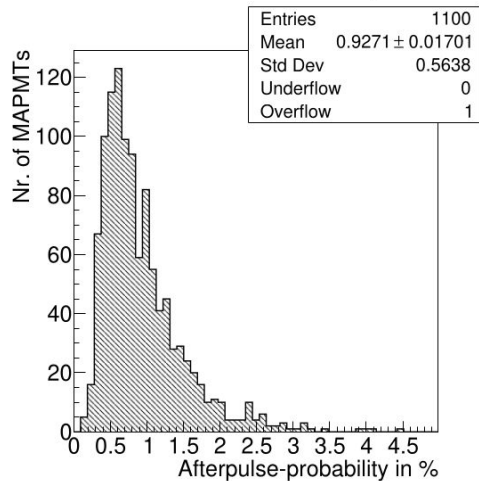
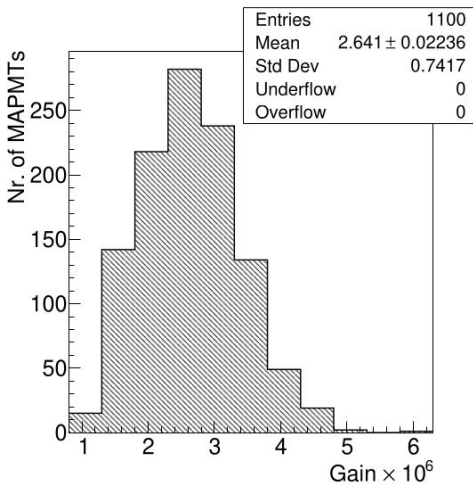
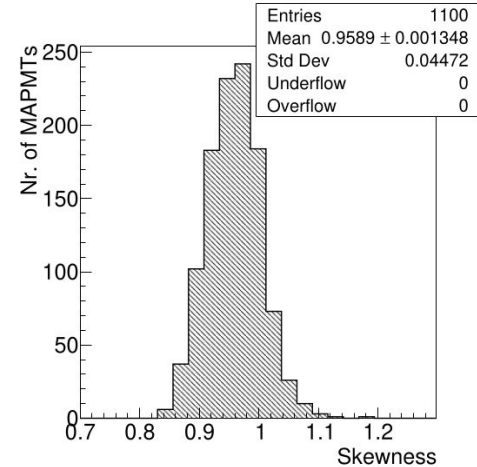
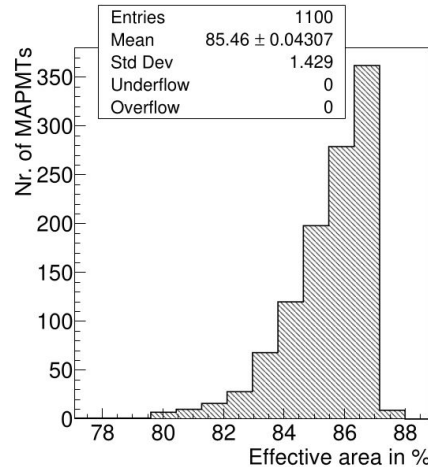
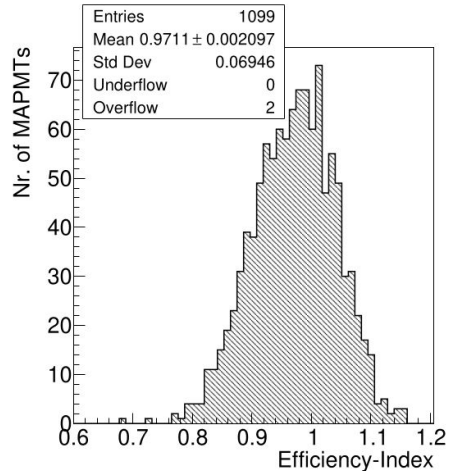
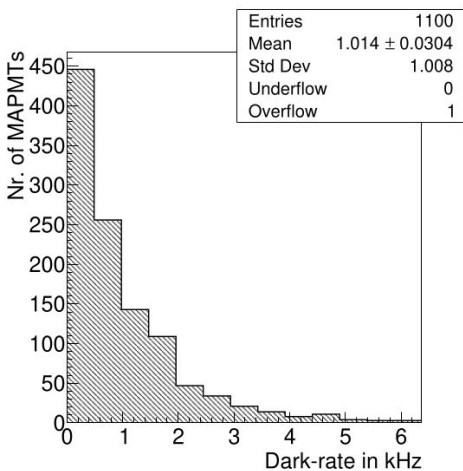
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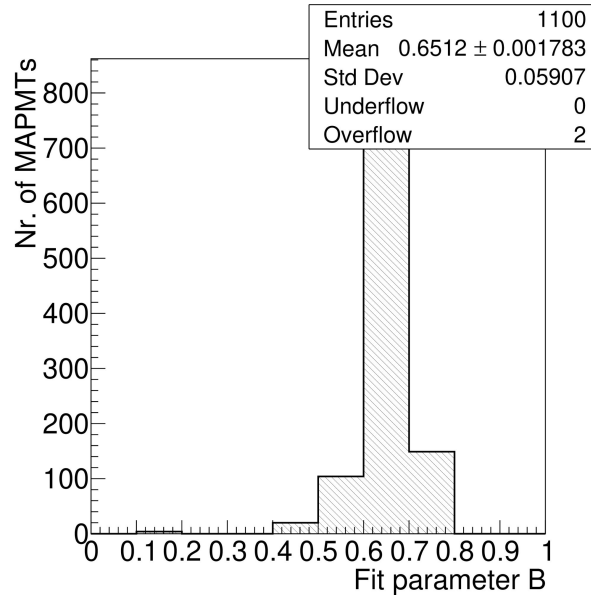
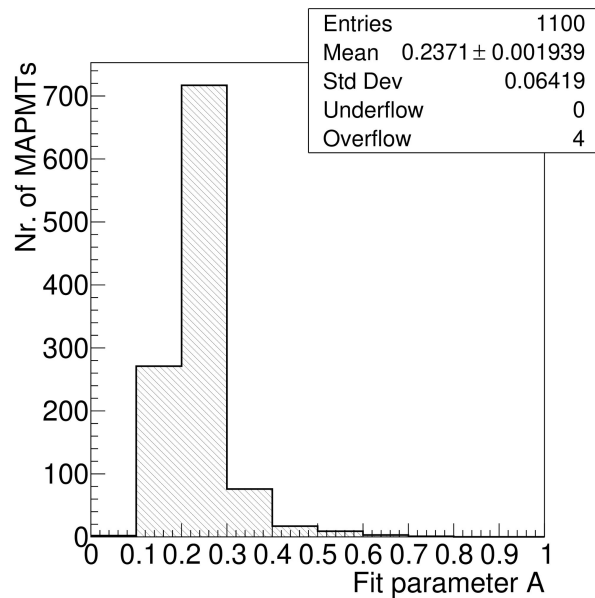
Ring reconstruction efficiency



Key parameters histogramized

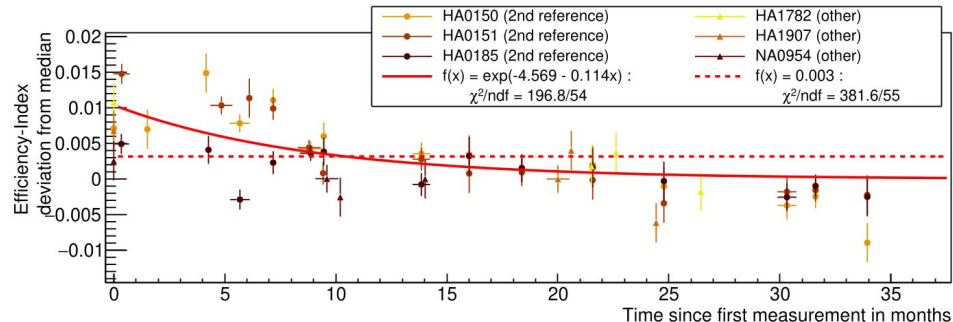
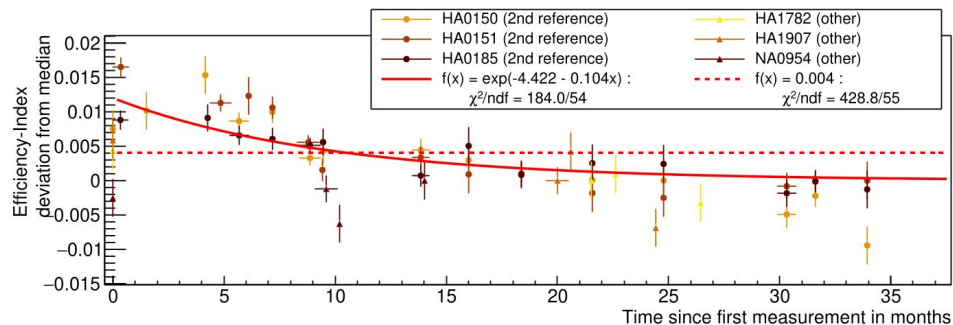
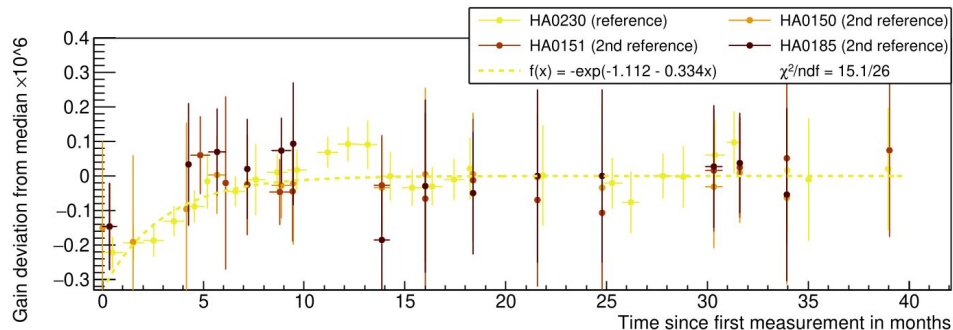
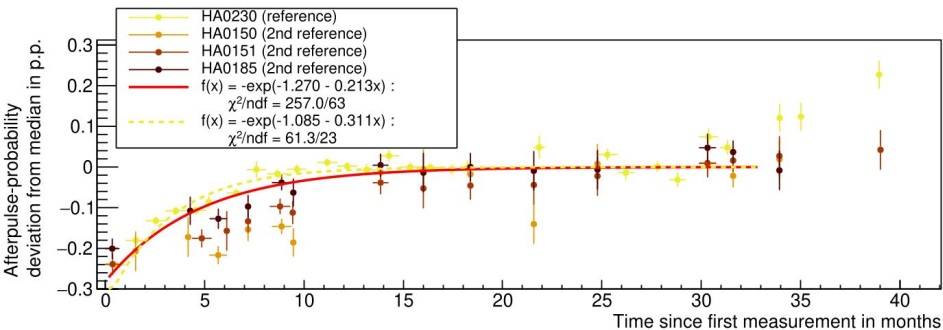
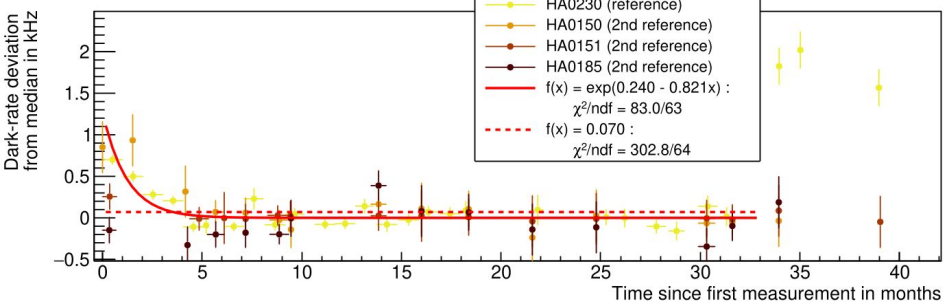
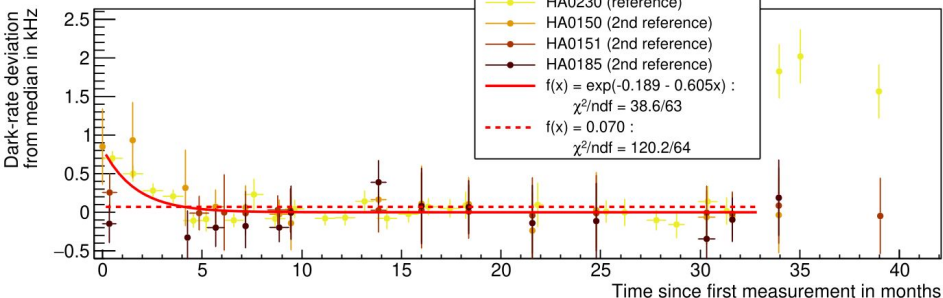


HV parameters histogramized



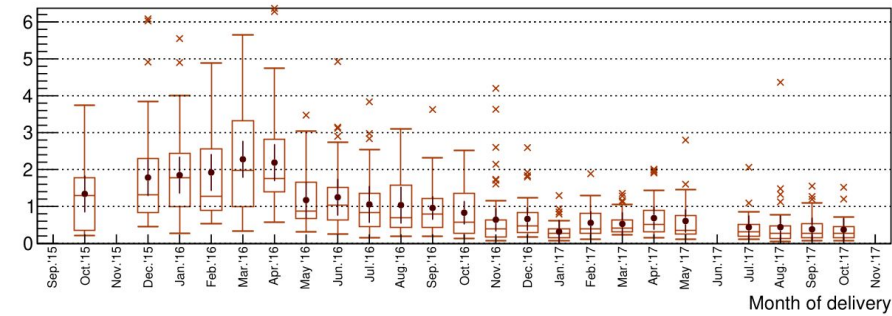
$$\text{HV} = \text{wanted_gain}^{1/(B*10)} * 11./A^{1/B};$$

Long term variations



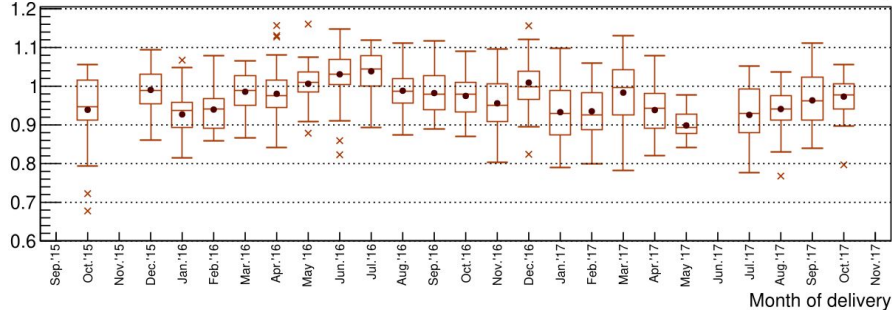
Variations over production period

Dark-rate in kHz



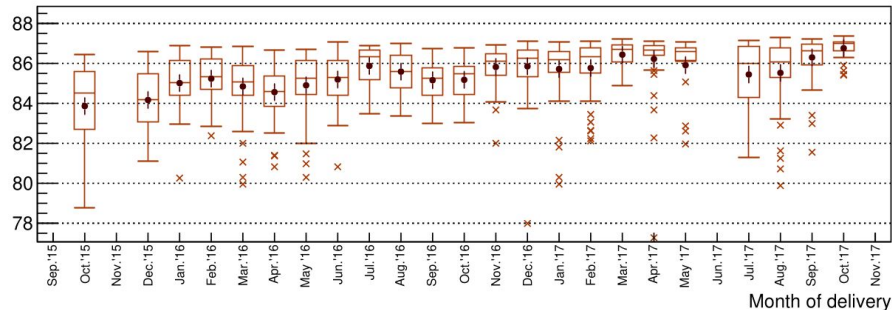
Month of delivery

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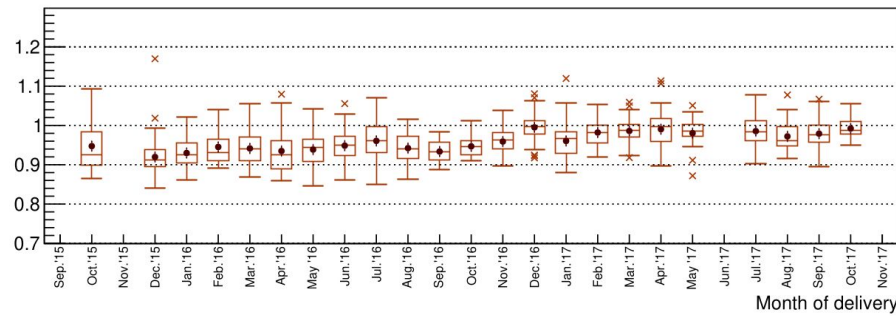
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Effective area in %



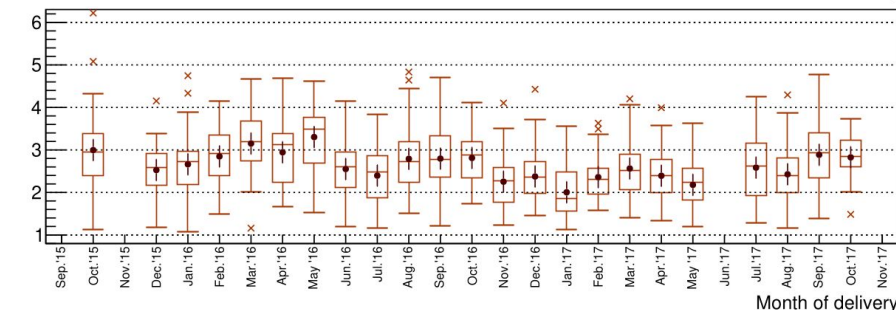
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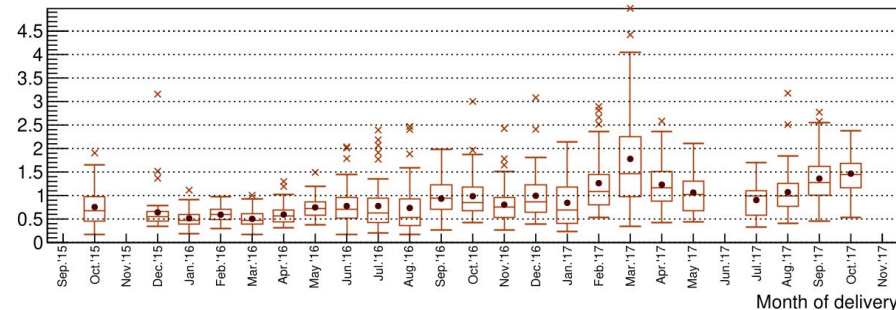
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Gain $\times 10^6$



Month of delivery

Afterpulse-probability in %



Month of delivery