



RF separated beams in CERN's secondary M2 beam line

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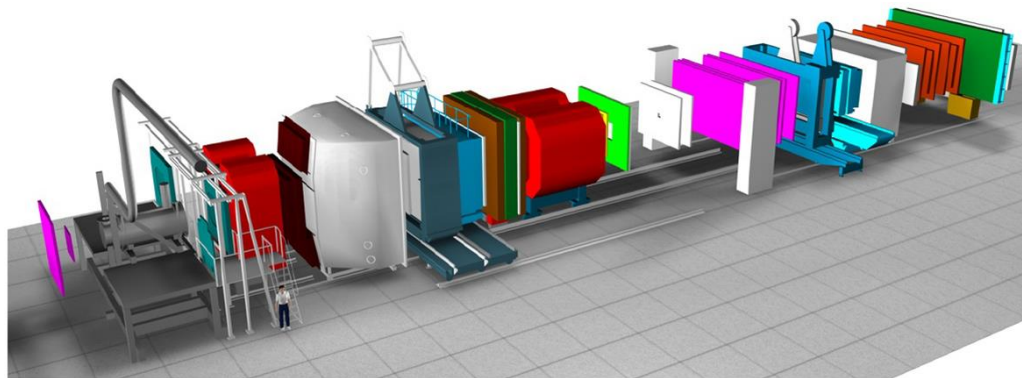
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AMBER's phase 2 measurements



Program	Physics Goals	Beam Energy [GeV]	Beam Intensity [s^{-1}]	Trigger Rate [kHz]	Beam Type	Target	Earliest start time, duration	Hardware additions
Drell-Yan (RF)	Kaon PDFs & Nucleon TMDs	~ 100	10^8	25-50	K^\pm, \bar{p}	NH_3^\dagger , C/W	2026 2-3 years	"active absorber", vertex detector
Primakoff (RF)	Kaon polarisability & pion life time	~ 100	$5 \cdot 10^6$	> 10	K^-	Ni	non-exclusive 2026 1 year	
Prompt Photons (RF)	Meson gluon PDFs	≥ 100	$5 \cdot 10^6$	10-100	K^\pm π^\pm	LH2, Ni	non-exclusive 2026 1-2 years	hodoscope
K -induced Spectroscopy (RF)	High-precision strange-meson spectrum	50-100	$5 \cdot 10^6$	25	K^-	LH2	2026 1 year	recoil TOF, forward PID
Vector mesons (RF)	Spin Density Matrix Elements	50-100	$5 \cdot 10^6$	10-100	K^\pm, π^\pm	from H to Pb	2026 1 year	




 Very optimistic.
 Current estimates: LHC Run 4

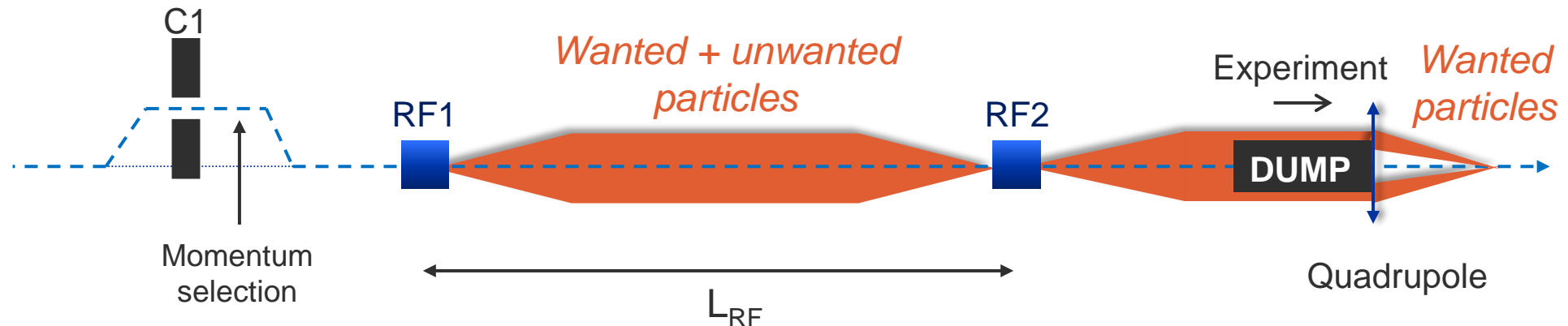
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2 workshops jointly organized by BE Experimental Area Group together with the AMBER collaboration, the EP-SME, SY-RF groups and the CERN TH department:

- 1. Workshop on RF separated beams, 30 Sep. 2021: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1069879/>**
 - Define the physics case(s) for the phase-2 physics measurement goals of the AMBER collaboration
 - Present the status of the currently available RF separated beam line studies
 - Review the present technical limitations, with the goal to define the next steps towards a potential feasibility study
- 2. Follow-up Workshop, 23-24 March 2022: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1133376/>**
 - Outcome of the RF separated beams workshop of September 2021
 - Review of kaon induced DY with improvements in the conventional beam line setup

Principle of RF separation

- In a secondary beam, one has different particle species with same momentum
 - Discriminate those species by their velocities
 - For M2: Large interest in kaon beams
- Time-dependent transverse kick by RF cavities in transverse dipole mode
- Kick by RF1 compensated or amplified by RF2 depending on the velocity
 - $\theta_{\text{tot}} = \theta(\sin(\varphi(t)) + \sin(\varphi(t) + \alpha + \Delta\varphi_{12})) = 2\theta \sin\left(\varphi(t) + \frac{\alpha + \Delta\varphi_{12}}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\alpha + \Delta\varphi_{12}}{2}\right)$ Final kick
 - $\bar{\theta} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \theta_{\text{tot}}^2(\varphi) d\varphi} = \sqrt{2}\theta \cos\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$ Average kick



Cavity parameters

- We maximized the distance between the cavities

- Achieved $L \approx 830\text{m}$

- Cavity parameters based on ILC crab cavities

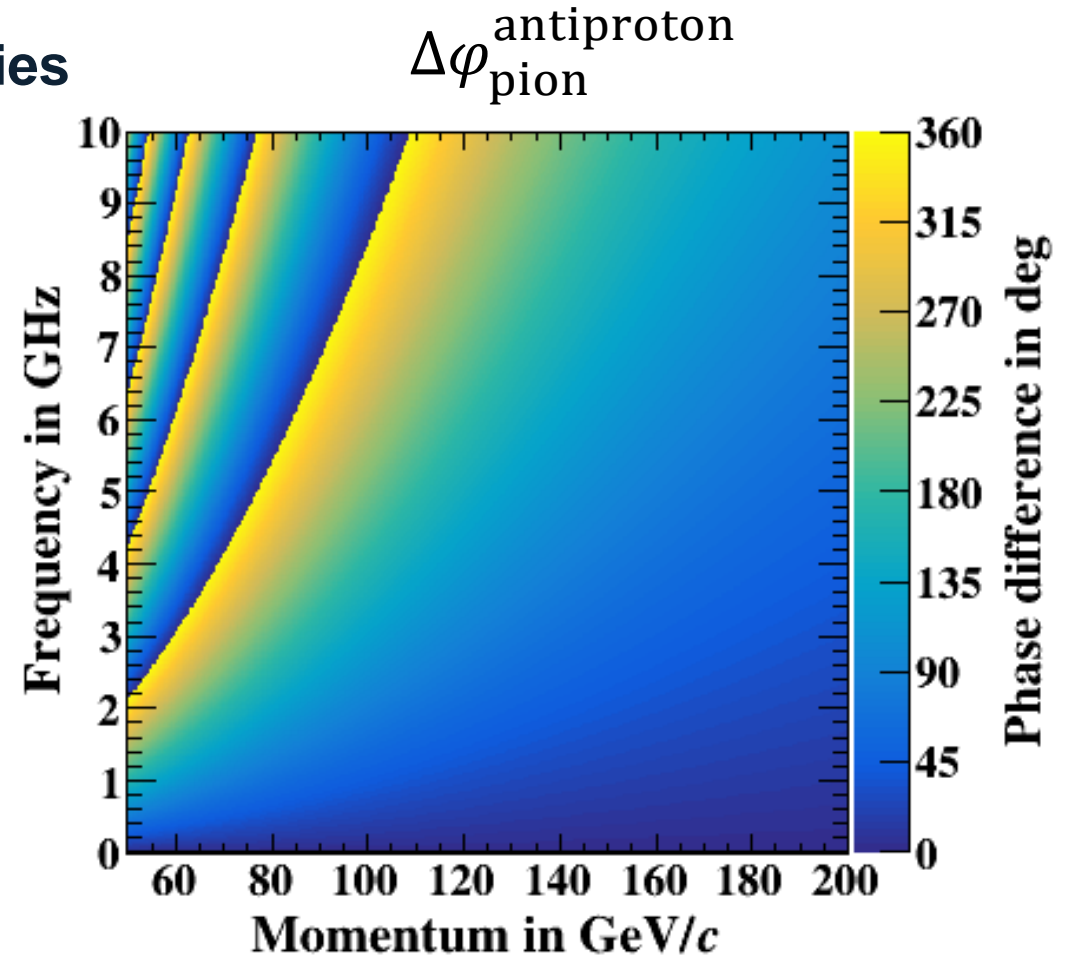
- Radio frequency: $f = 3.9\text{GHz}$
- Cavity iris diameter: $2R = 30\text{mm}$
- Total active cavity length: $L_{\text{tot}} = 10\text{m}$
- Maximal kick per cavity: $dp = 50 \text{ MeV}/c$

- Calculate beam momentum

- $$\Delta\varphi = 2\pi f \Delta t = \frac{2\pi f L}{c} \cdot \frac{E_1 - E_2}{pc} \approx \frac{\pi f L}{c} \cdot \frac{(m_1^2 - m_2^2)c^2}{p^2}$$

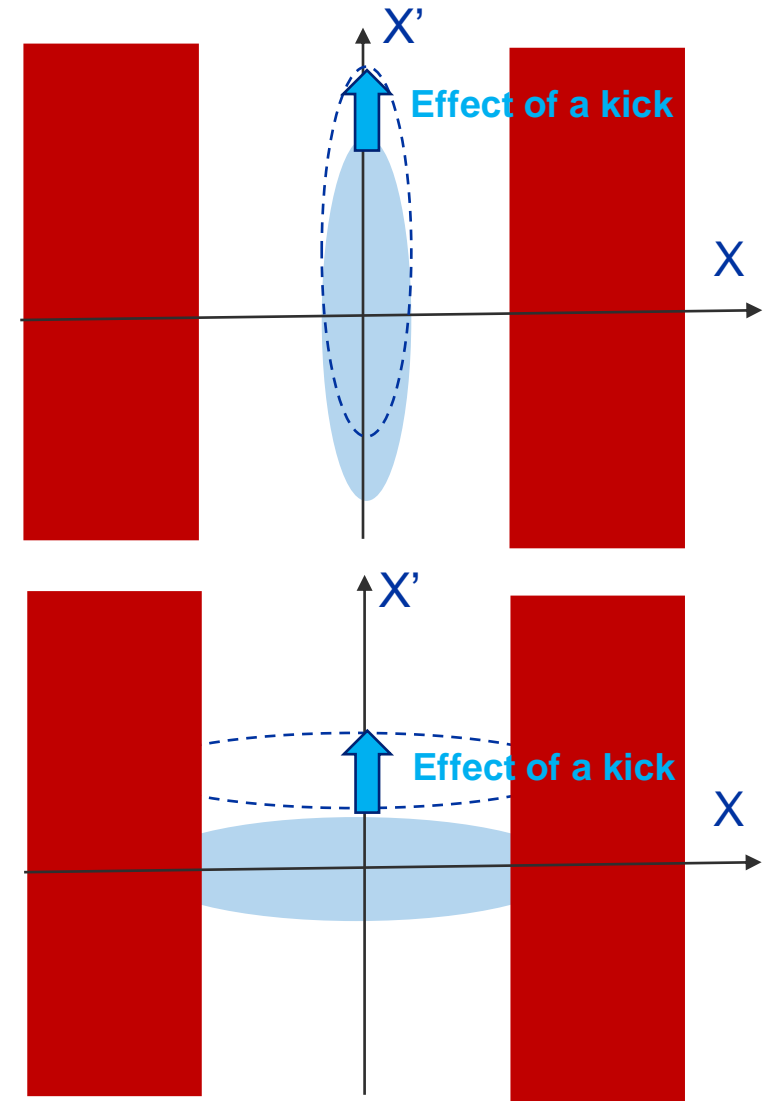
- $$p \approx \sqrt{\frac{fL}{c} \frac{\pi}{\Delta\varphi}} \times \sqrt{(m_1 c)^2 - (m_2 c)^2}$$

- K^- -beam: $\Delta\varphi_{\pi^-}^{\bar{p}} = 2\pi \Rightarrow p \approx 68 \text{ GeV}/c$ is **fixed** and close to achievable maximum

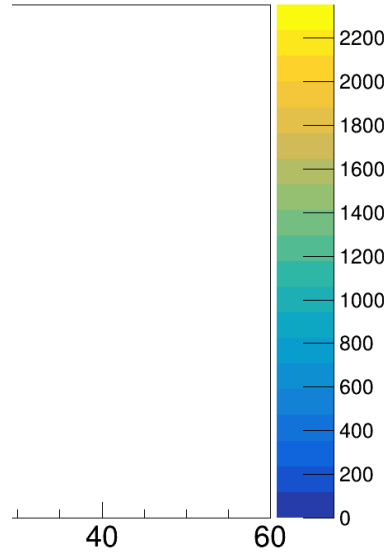
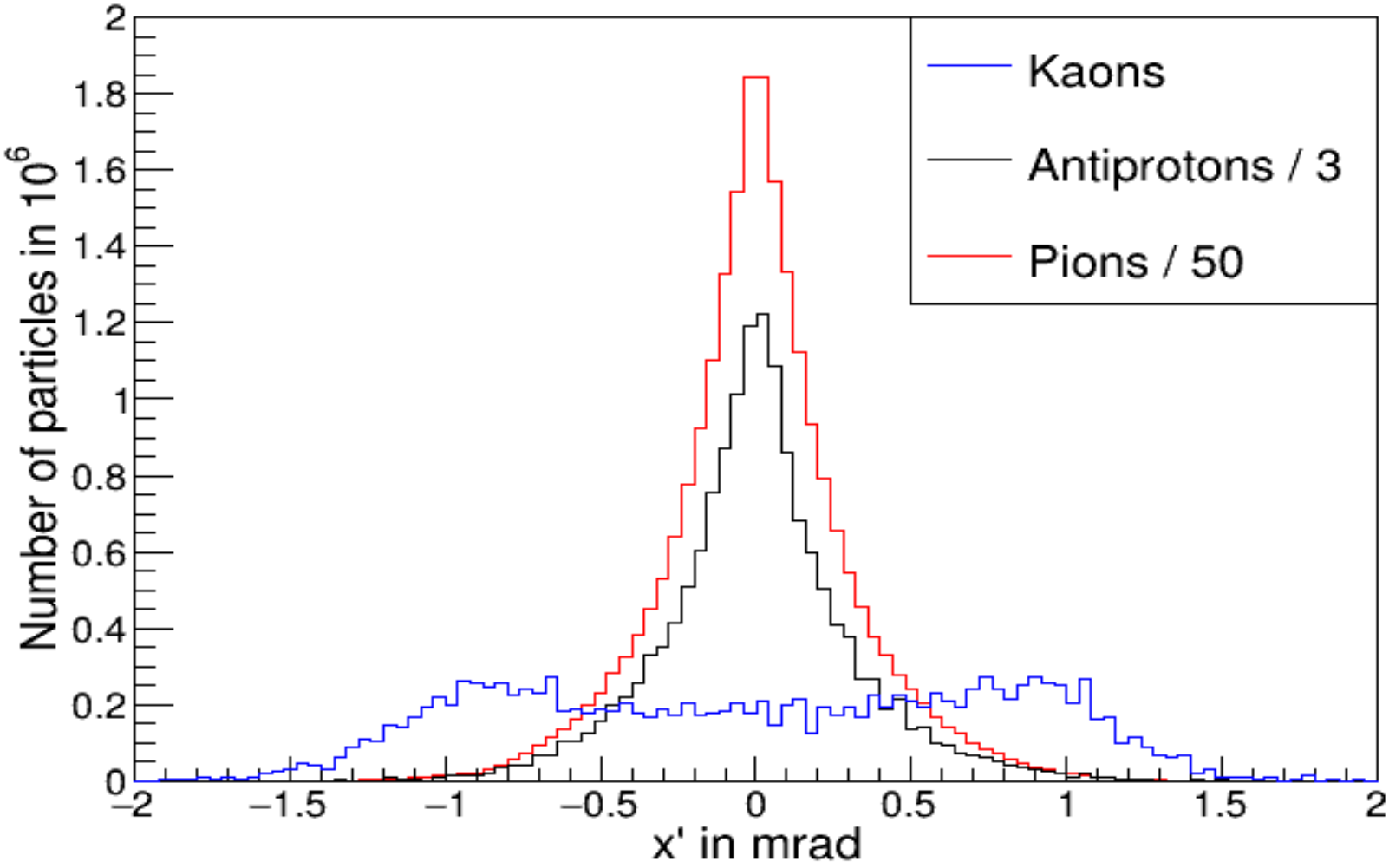
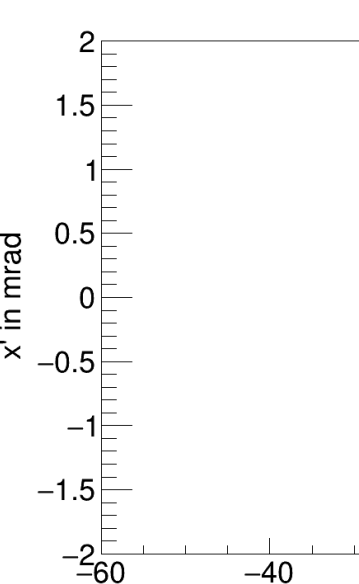


Focused vs. parallel beam in the cavities

- **Started with a focus in the cavities**
- **Focused beam**
 - Beam is large in x' , but small in x
 - Relative effect of the kick is small
 - Beam fits well through the cavity apertures
- **Parallel beam**
 - Beam is small in x' , but large in x
 - Relative effect of the kick is larger \Rightarrow Better separation
 - Emittance is constant \Rightarrow Smaller divergence means larger beam size
 - Define R_{12} optical function by aperture and beam line acceptance to minimize losses $R_{12} = \frac{\text{Radius of the iris}}{\text{Acceptance}} = 7.5 \text{ mm/mrad}$
 - We considered the effective cavity aperture



Phase space distribution after RF2

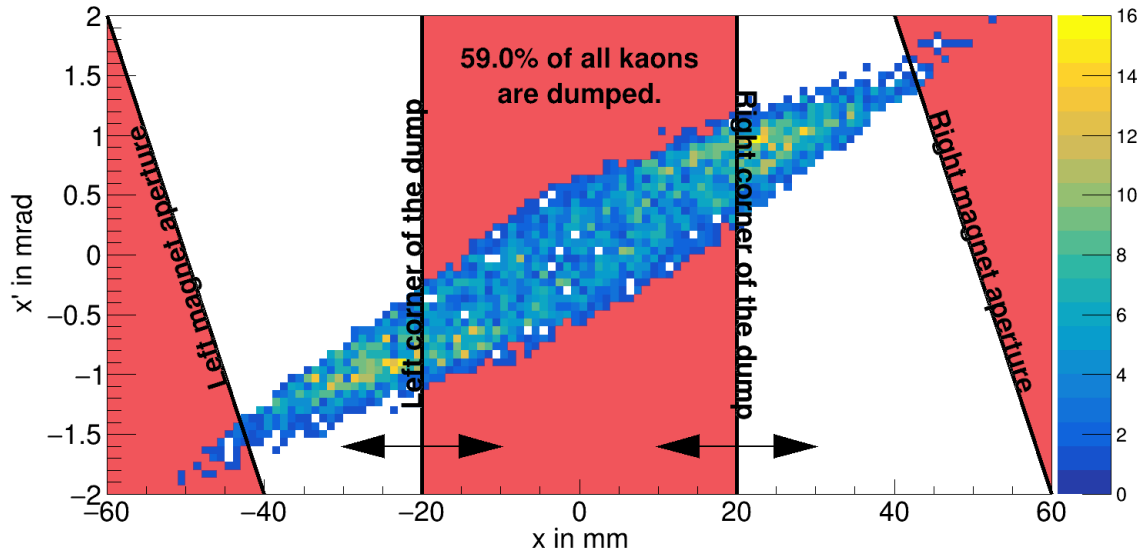


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 - Drift is ne

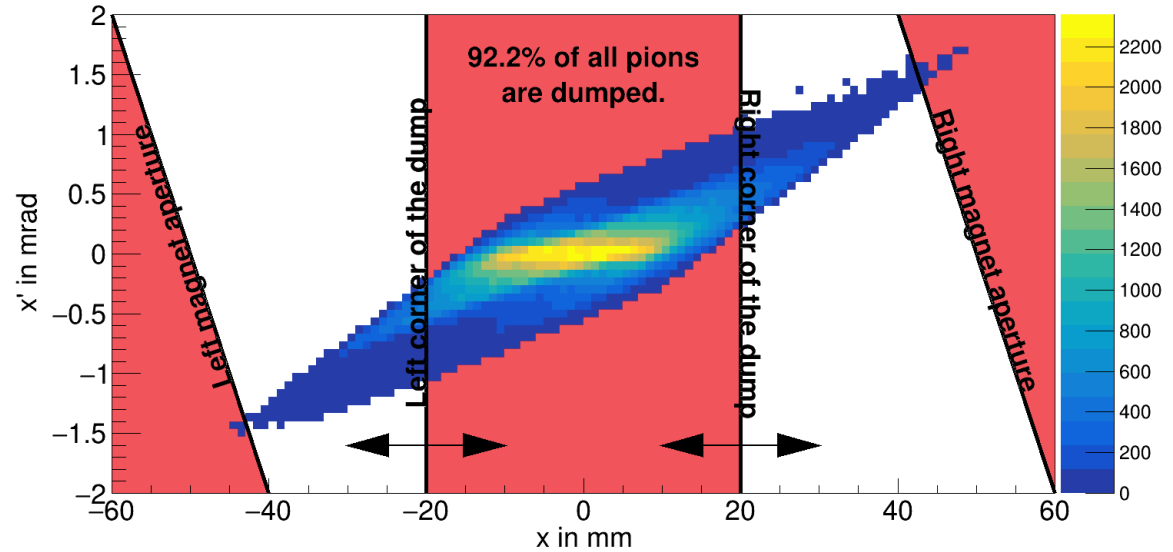
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Phase space distribution 20m after RF2 (dump)

K^- phase space

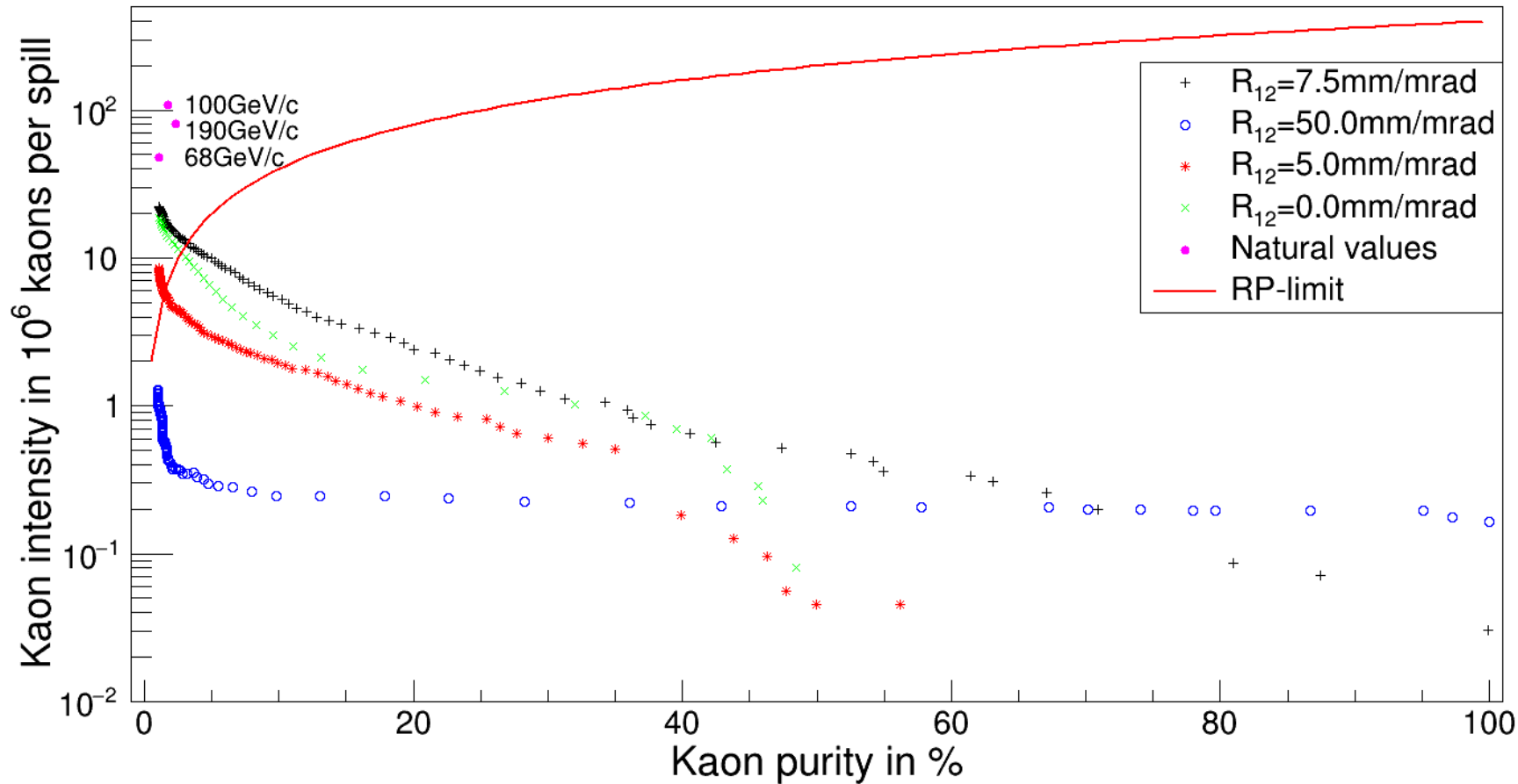


π^- phase space



- Angular separation converted into spatial separation
- With a beam dump, one can optimize either the intensity or the purity; here the share of K^-
- For a given cavity kick, the drift needs to be limited; otherwise, particles are lost at the refocussing magnet

Separation power



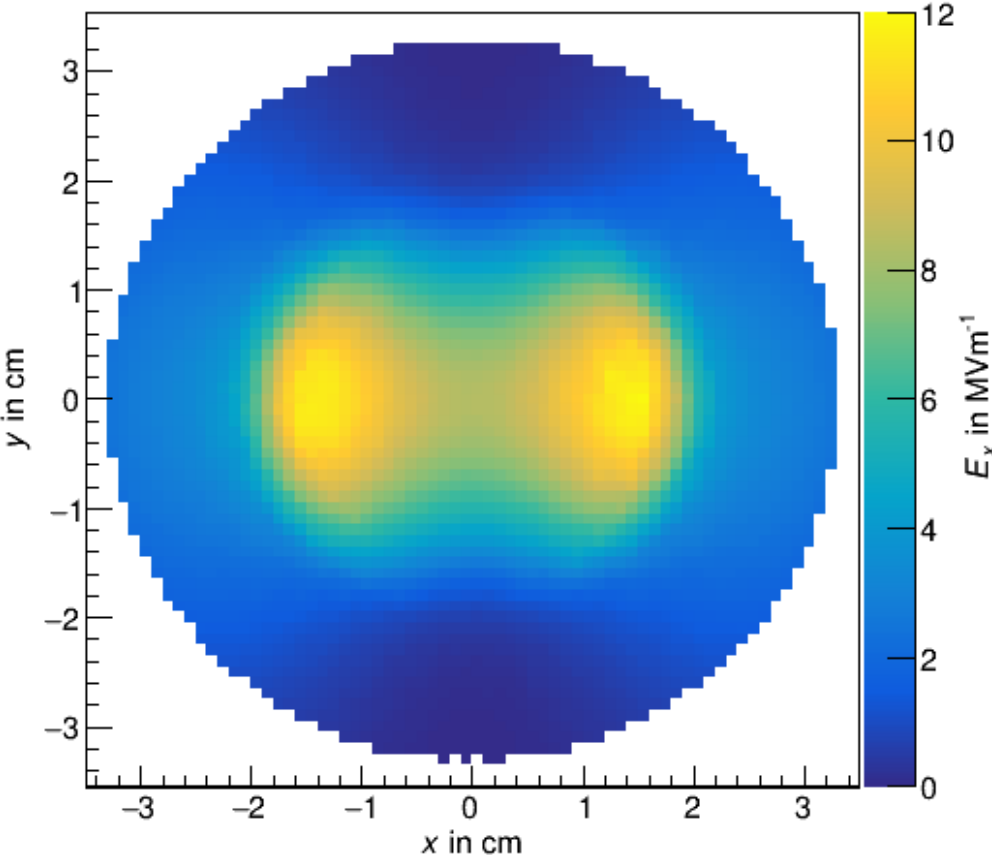
- Everything above the solid red curve is currently limited due to radiation protection in the EHN2 hall
- Simulated with 150 units on T6 (1 unit $\hat{=}$ 10^{11} protons on target)
- SPS spill length is 4.8s (beam constantly extracted over this period)

Summary and conclusions of current status

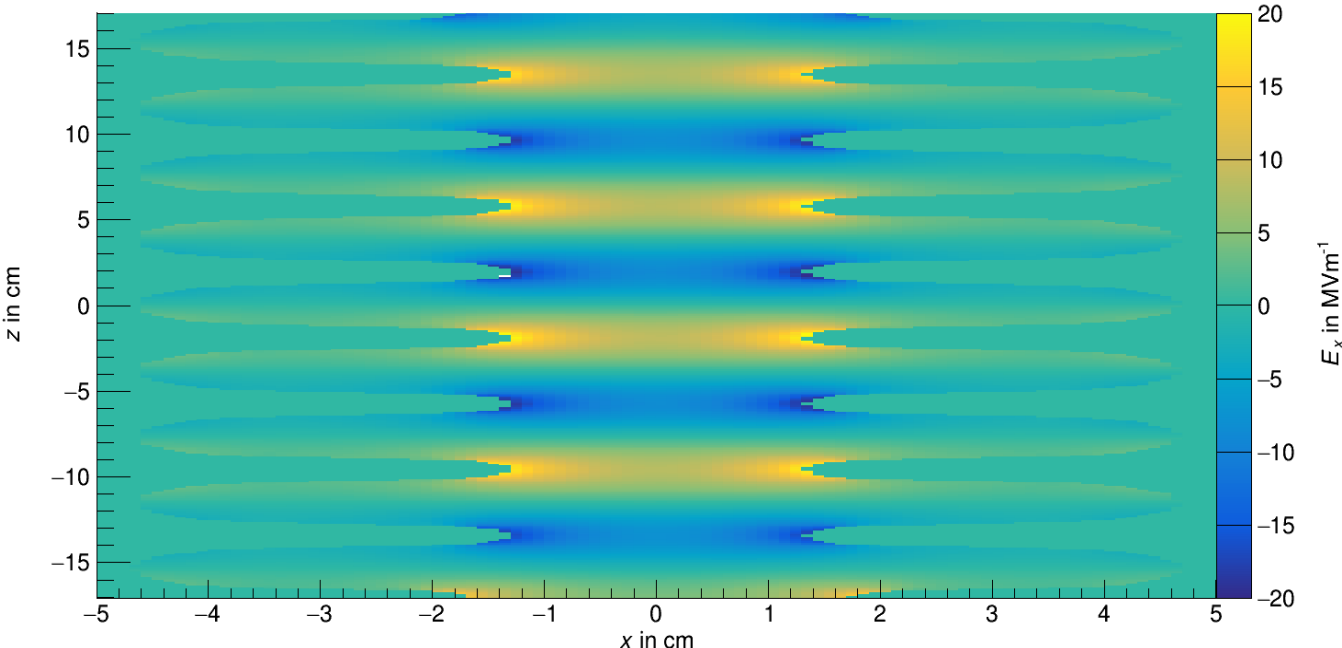
- **We have 5×10^5 kaons per spill with 50% purity; going down to 20% purity means increase to 3×10^6**
- **For the open spectrometer measurements, RF separation shows promising results**
- **For Drell-Yan the intensities are not sufficient**
 - Other options being considered, exploiting upgrades of current beam line with respect to vacuum and optics improvements
- **With the current parameters and beam optics, we have $p \approx 68 \text{ GeV}/c$ (already close to achievable maximum due to $p \propto \sqrt{fL}$)**
- **Beam PID will be necessary in any case due to impurities and beam purity constraints**
- **Results are summarized in a [PBC-note](#) and submitted to NIM A**
- **Studies to date assumed homogenous electric field over cavity iris**
 - With migration from MAD-X to BDSIM realistic electric field variations are taken into account

Field of the ILC crab cavities

At $z = 4.6\text{cm}$

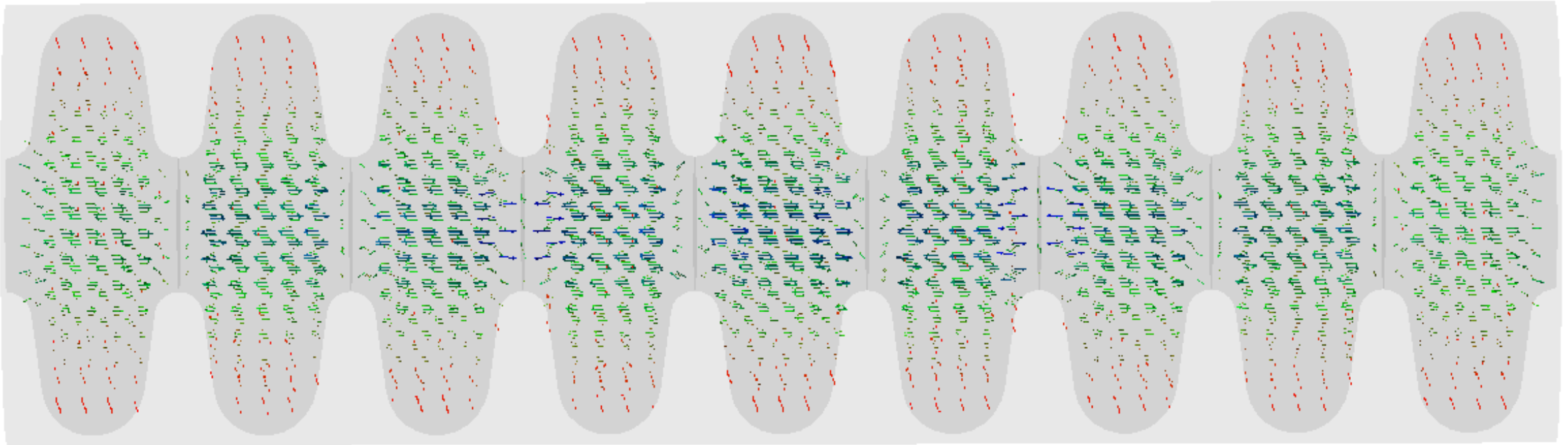


At $y = -0.05\text{cm}$



Field maps by G. Burt

Cavity model in BDSIM



- **A general description of time-variation has been added to the code (thanks to L. Nevay!)**
- **Cavity geometry of ILC crab cavities has been modelled and included in BDSIM**
- **Electric and magnetic field maps (3D) as shown on the previous slide have been overlaid on the cavity geometry**
- **The model was successfully validated → Tests performed with actual optics and unwanted particles
→ They receive indeed no kick as intended**

Outlook

- **Evaluation of impact of inhomogeneities of the realistic electric field on the separation power**
 - For particles of interest, transverse field variations are expected to influence angular separation
 - For unwanted particles, no change expected
 - Reevaluate the separation power plot with both effects considered
- **Background studies**
 - Analysis of particles generated in the beam dump and mitigation thereof
- **Idea of circular polarization (from 2021 workshop)**
 - Exploitation of deflection in both transverse planes
- **Investigate possibility to keep muon beam in M2 parallel to the RF separated beam**

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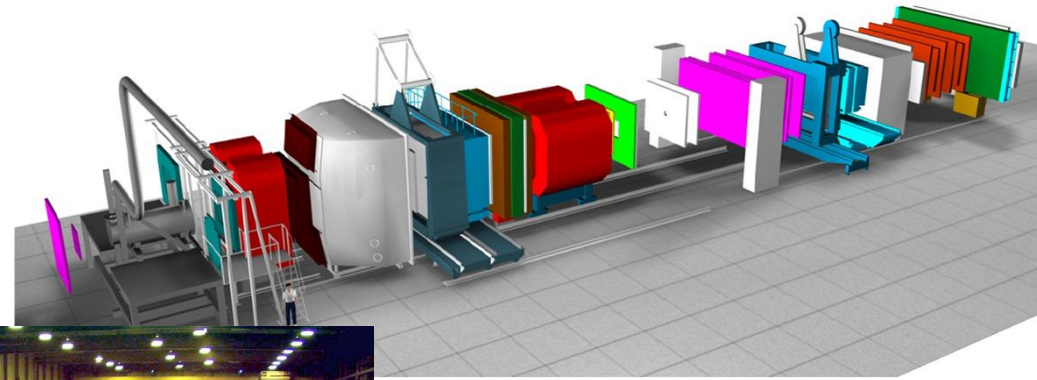


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Backup

AMBER beam requirements

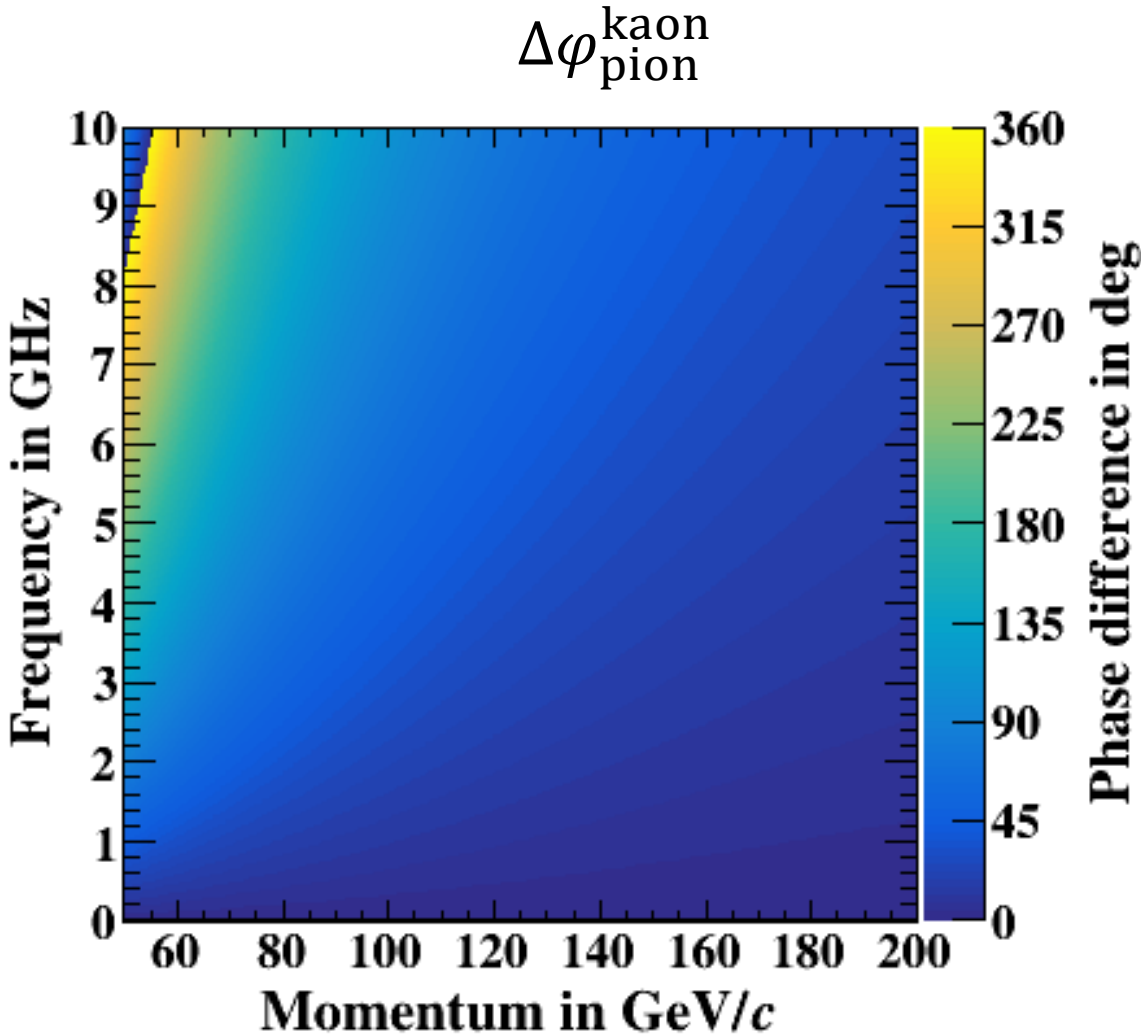
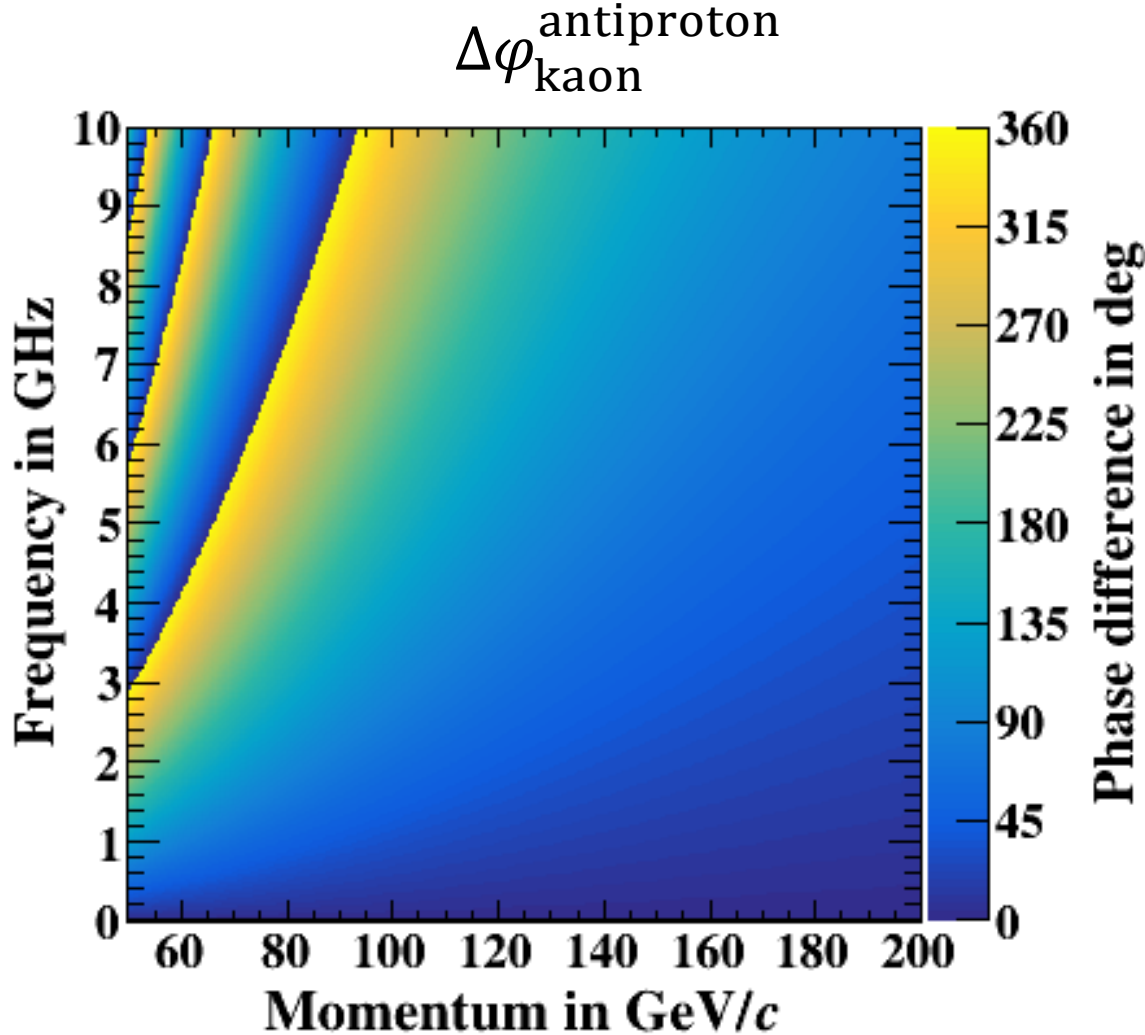
- [RF Workshop](#)
- [Follow-Up Workshop](#)
- [RF-Separated Beam Project for the M2 Beam Line at CERN](#)



Measurement	Drell-Yan	Kaon polarisability
Energy in GeV	190	100
Kaon intensity in 10^5 per spill	≥ 70	≥ 10

Measurement	Spectroscopy	Primakoff	Prompt photons
Energy in GeV	≥ 80	≥ 80	> 80
Kaon intensity in 10^5 per spill	≥ 4	≥ 2	> 4
Purity after CEDARs (I_K/I_π)	> 100	> 1000	> 100

Phase shifts

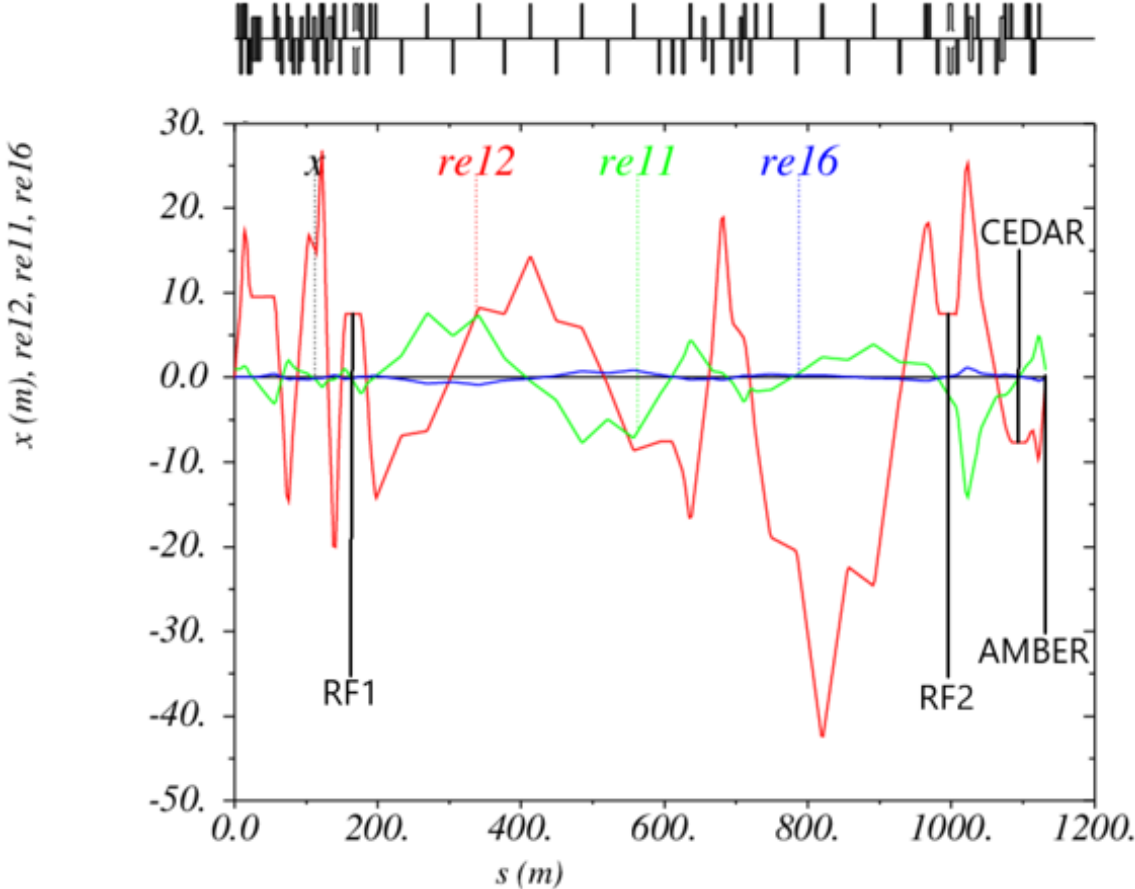


Optics development

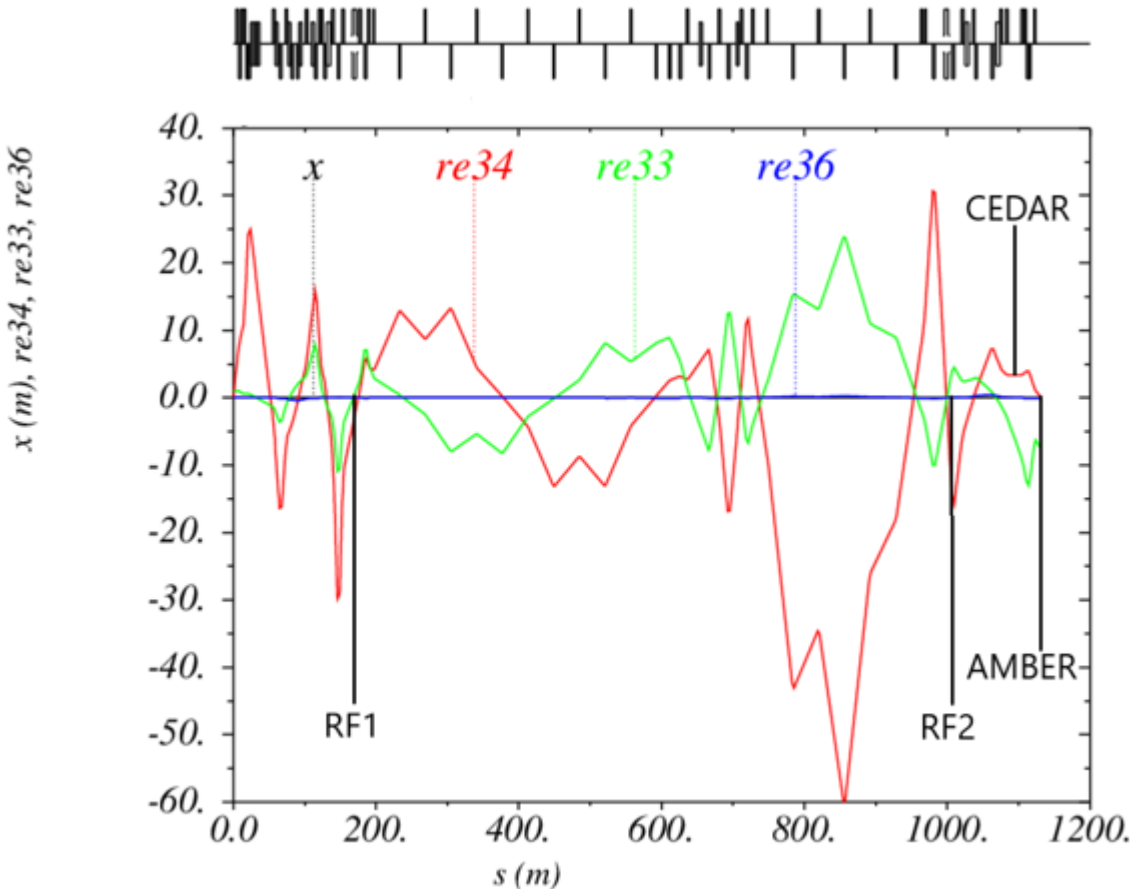
Optics challenges:

- Beam: Compromise between size and parallelism in cavities
⇒ Optimization
- Parallel beam in CEDARs
- Focus at AMBER target

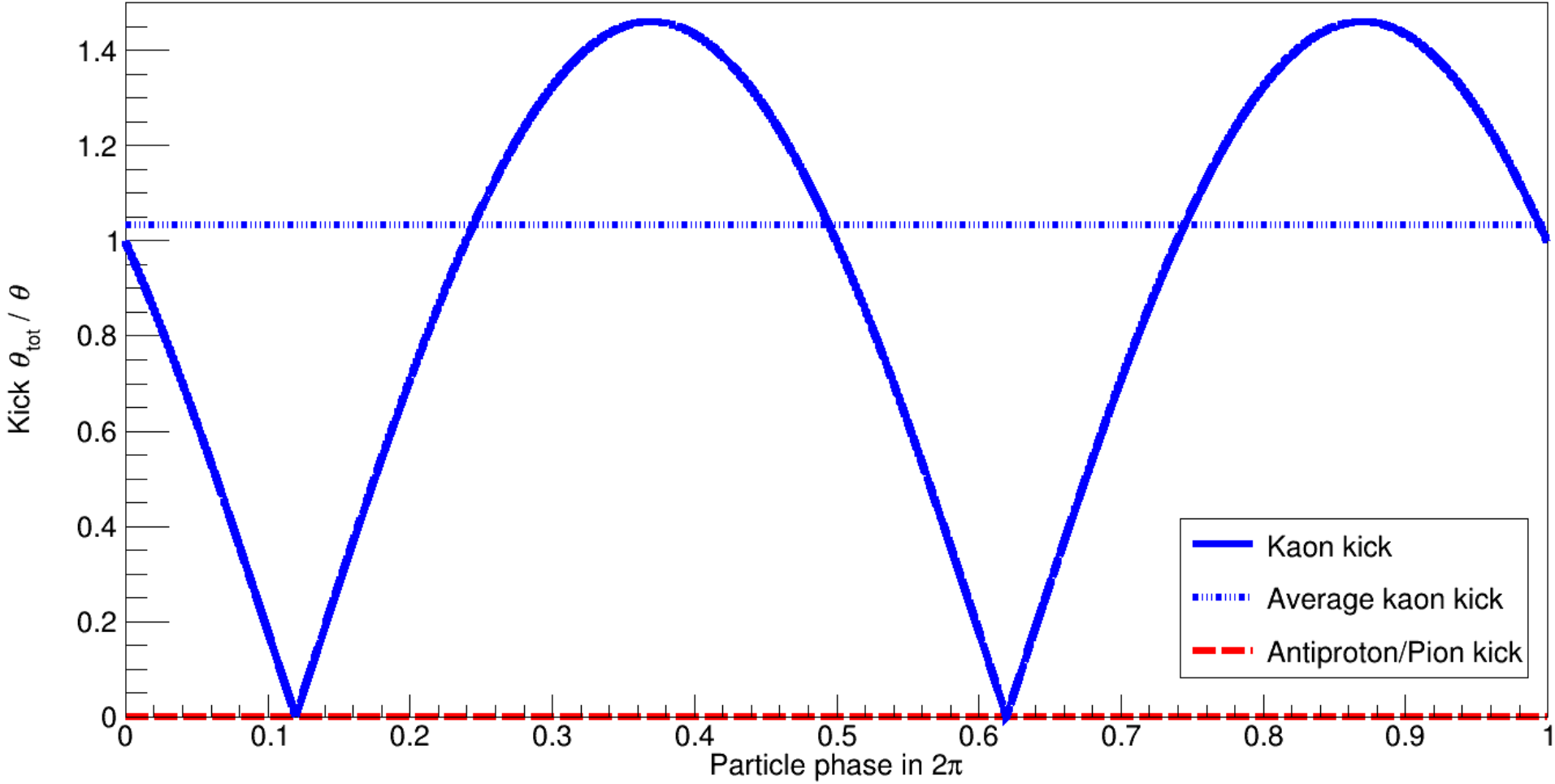
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y-plane

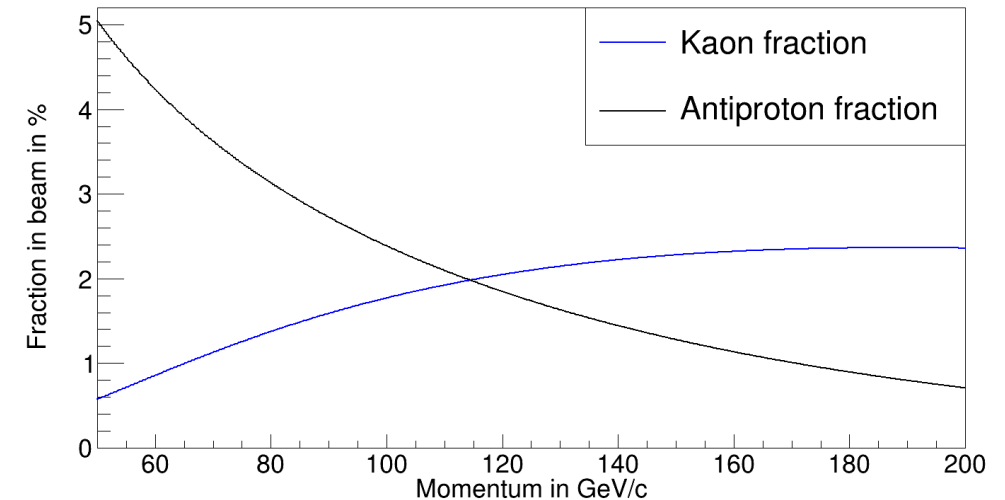
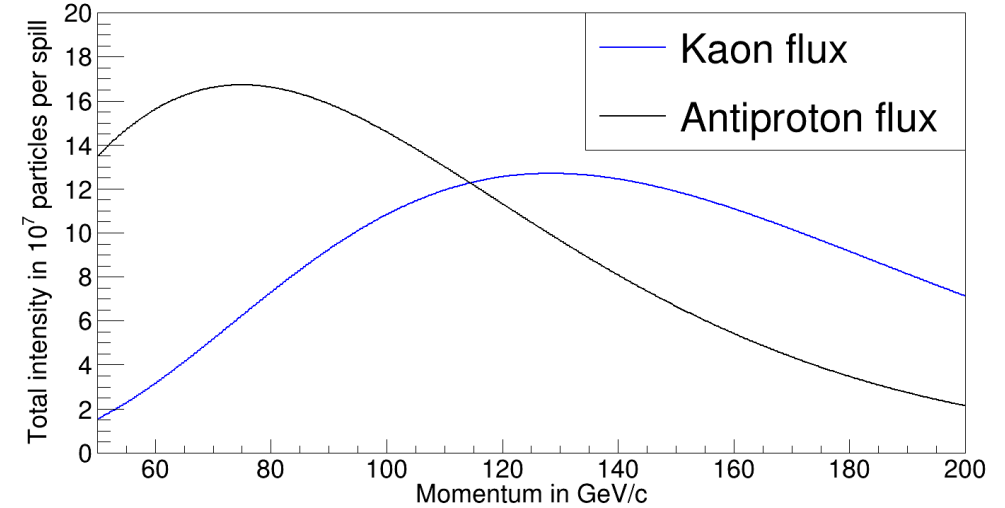


Kick of the cavities



K^- and \bar{p} : intensities and fractions

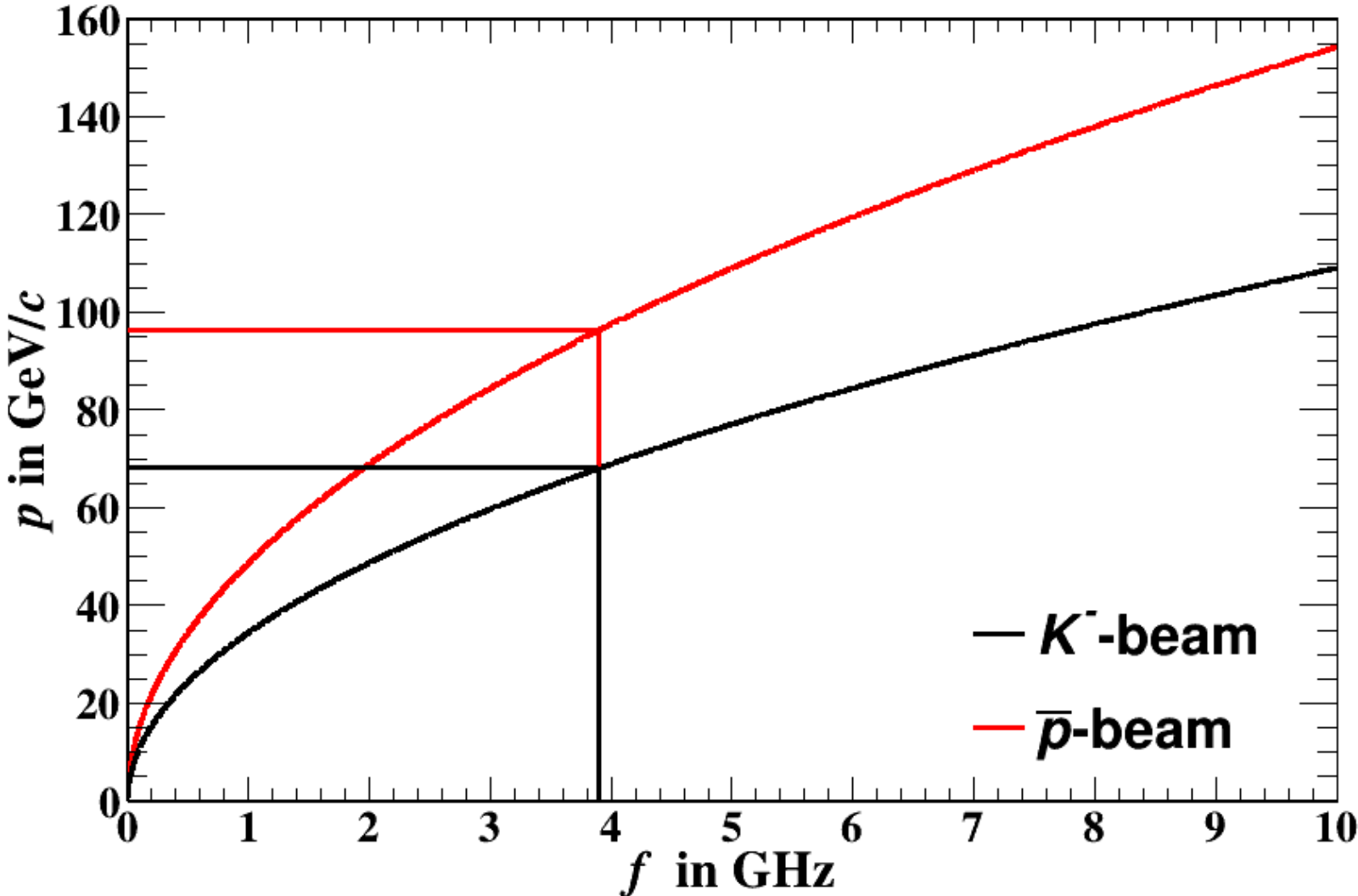
- Atherton parametrization¹ to calculate number of particles
 - Parametrization of particle production measured by NA20
 - With $\frac{\Delta p}{p} = 1\%$
 - Angular acceptance of $17.6\mu\text{sr}$
 - 1.5×10^{13} ppp on T6
 - 500mm Be-target
 - Distance between T6 and AMBER target of 1138m
 - Electrons are not considered
- 4.8×10^8 particles per spill allowed by RP



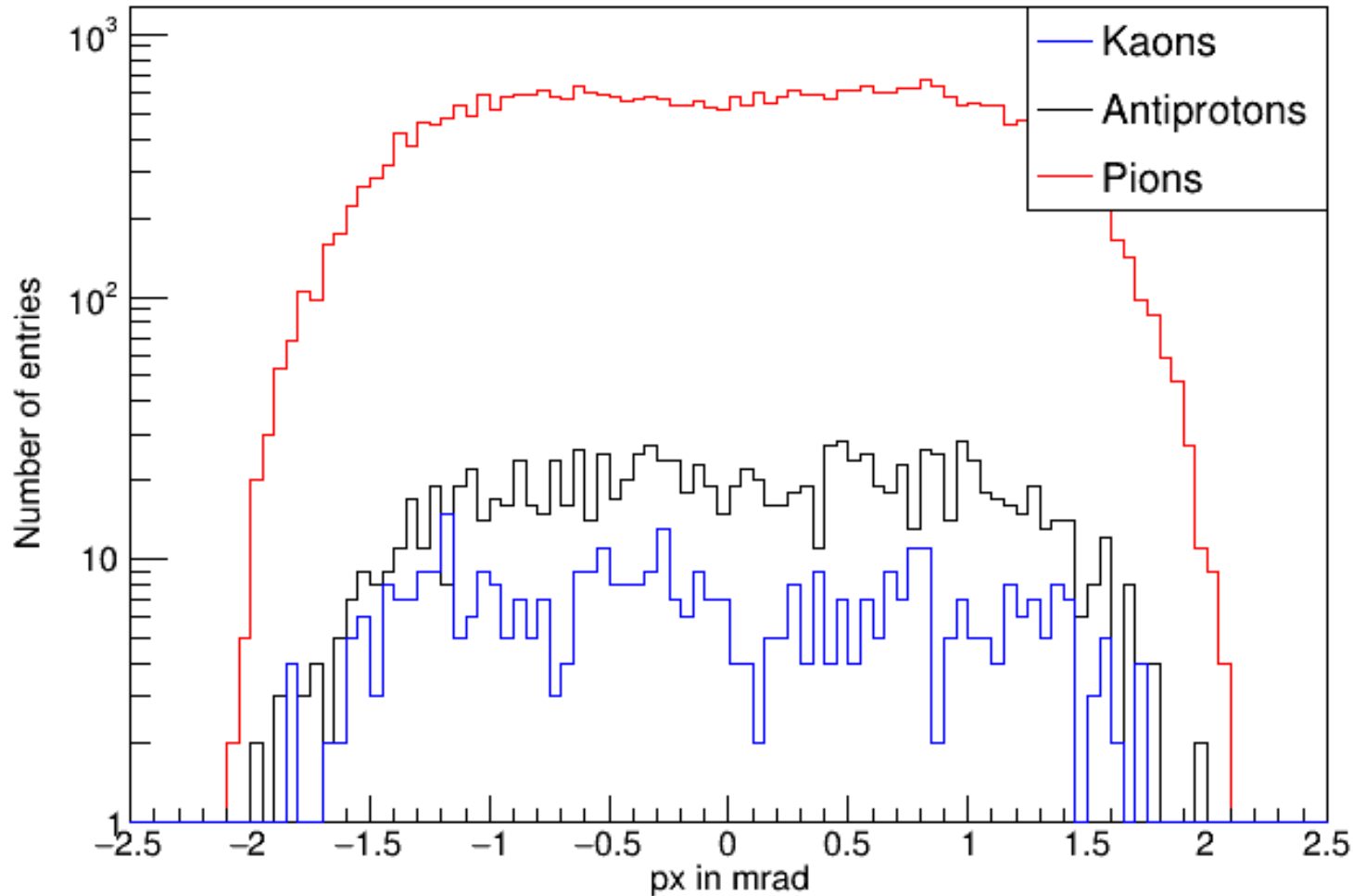
How to tune the phases

- $\theta_{\text{tot}} = \theta(\sin(\varphi(t)) + \sin(\varphi(t) + \alpha + \Delta\varphi_{12})) = 2\theta \sin\left(\varphi(t) + \frac{\alpha + \Delta\varphi_{12}}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\alpha + \Delta\varphi_{12}}{2}\right)$
- **Tune $\Delta\varphi_{12}$, such that $\cos\left(\frac{\alpha + \Delta\varphi_{12}}{2}\right) = 0$ for unwanted species**
- **For a K^- -beam we want the π^- and \bar{p} to be dumped**
 - Therefore, we aim at $\Delta\varphi_{\pi^-}^{\bar{p}} = 2\pi$
 - $\Delta\varphi_{12} = \pi - \frac{2\pi fL}{c} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{m_{\pi}c}{p}\right)^2}$
 - Time that a π^- needs to fly from RF1 to RF2: $t_{\pi^-} = \frac{L}{\beta c} = \frac{L}{c} \cdot \frac{E}{pc} = \frac{L}{c} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{m_{\pi}c}{p}\right)^2}$
 - This can be translated to a phase in RF2: $\varphi_{\pi^-} = \frac{2\pi fL}{c} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{m_{\pi}c}{p}\right)^2}$
 - Kick for π^- : $\theta_{\text{tot}} \propto \cos\left(\frac{\Delta\varphi_{12} + \varphi_{\pi^-}}{2}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$; similar for \bar{p} as $\varphi_{\bar{p}} = \varphi_{\pi^-} + 2\pi$
 - Kick for K^- : $\theta_{\text{tot}} \propto \cos\left(\frac{\Delta\varphi_{12} + \varphi_{K^-}}{2}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi fL}{c} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{m_{K}c}{p}\right)^2} - \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{m_{\pi}c}{p}\right)^2}\right)\right) \neq 0$

Beam momentum

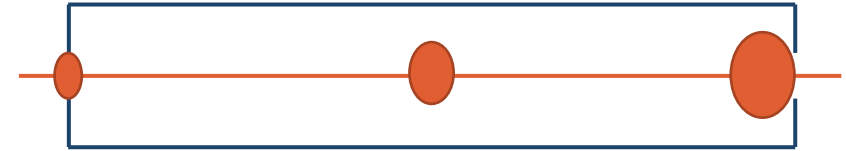


Kick in the first cavity



- **SPS beam is extracted over a given time period**
- **Particles arrive at RF1 with all possible phases**
- **Angular distributions after RF1 look the same for all species**
- **Simulated with a maximal kick of $50 \text{ MeV}/c$ ($\hat{=} 1.5 \text{ mrad}$) per cavity**

Effect of the cavity kick



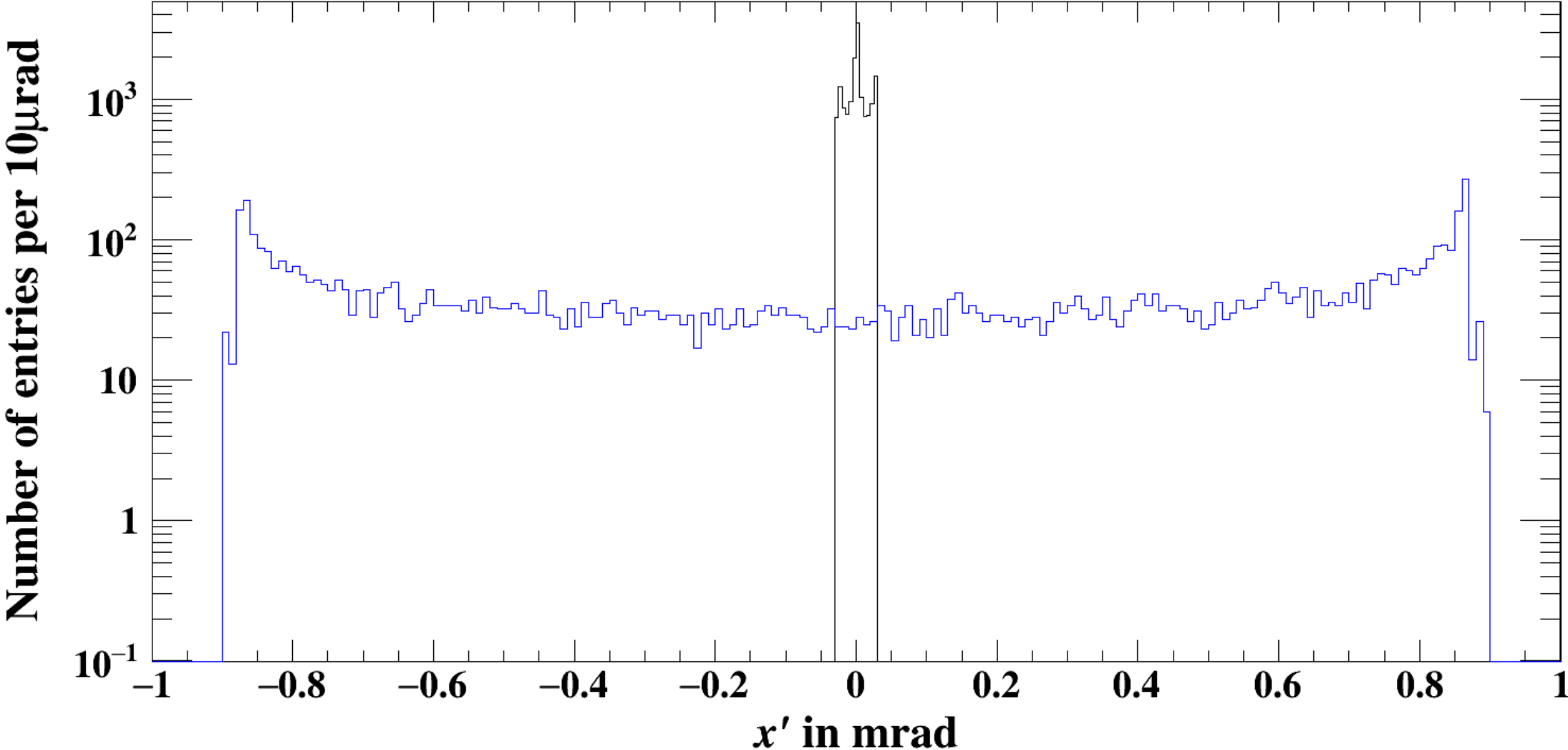
- In the cavity the angle increases linearly with z : $x'(z) = \frac{dp}{p} \cdot z$
- Therefore, the offset increases quadratically with z : $x(z) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{dp}{p} \cdot z^2 + x_0$
- At the end of the cavity, i.e. L_{tot} , the offset should be the cavity radius R at maximum:

$$x_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left(2R - \frac{dp}{p} \cdot L_{\text{tot}}^2 \right)$$

- Effectively usable aperture radius decreases to

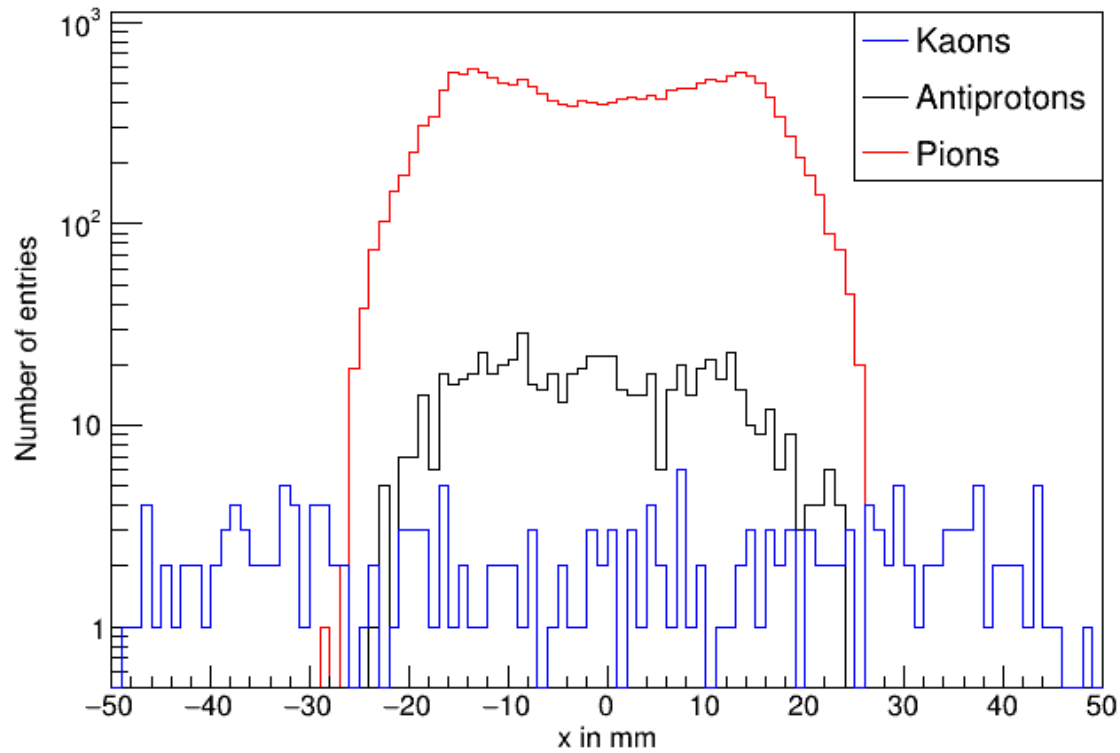
$$\frac{1}{2} \left(30\text{mm} - \frac{5 \text{ MeV}/c / \text{m}}{70 \text{ GeV}/c} \cdot 100\text{m}^2 \right) \approx 11.4\text{mm}$$

Model test in BDSIM

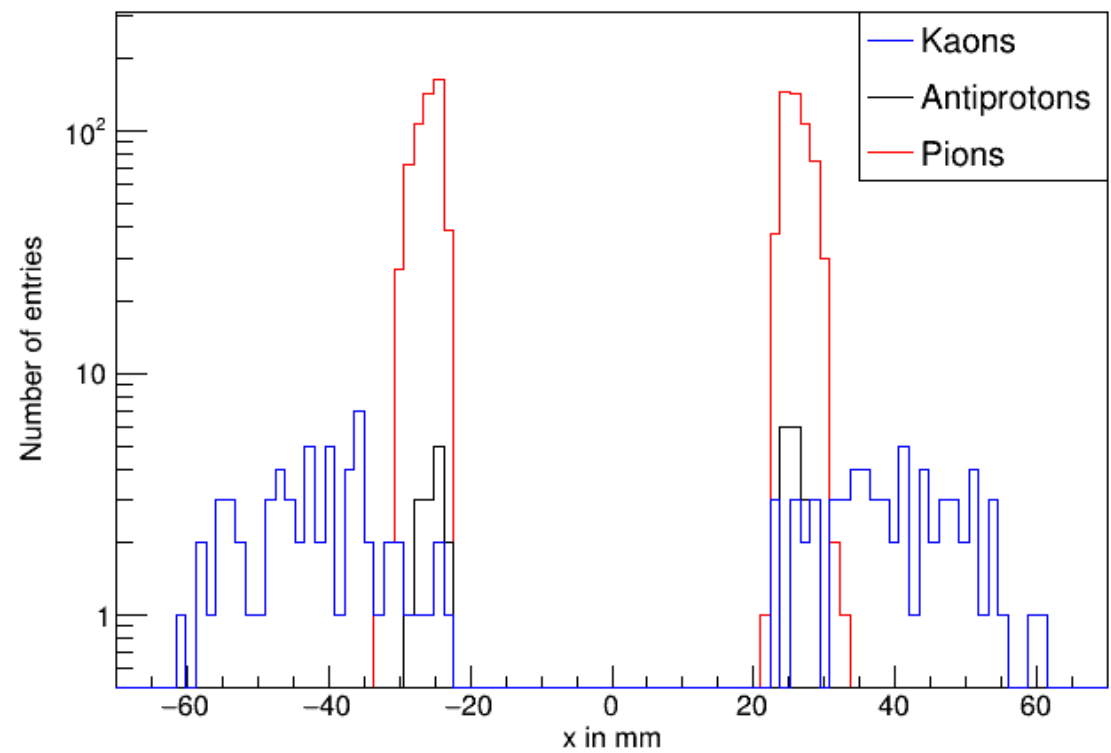


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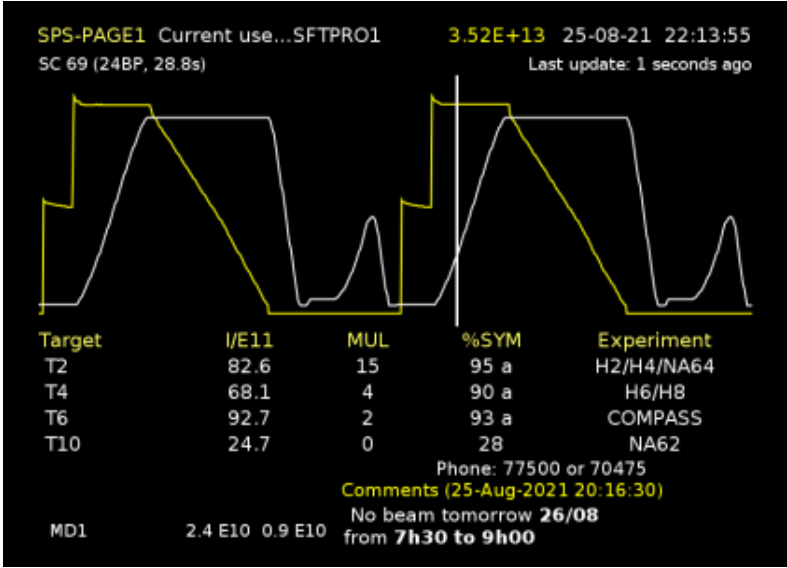
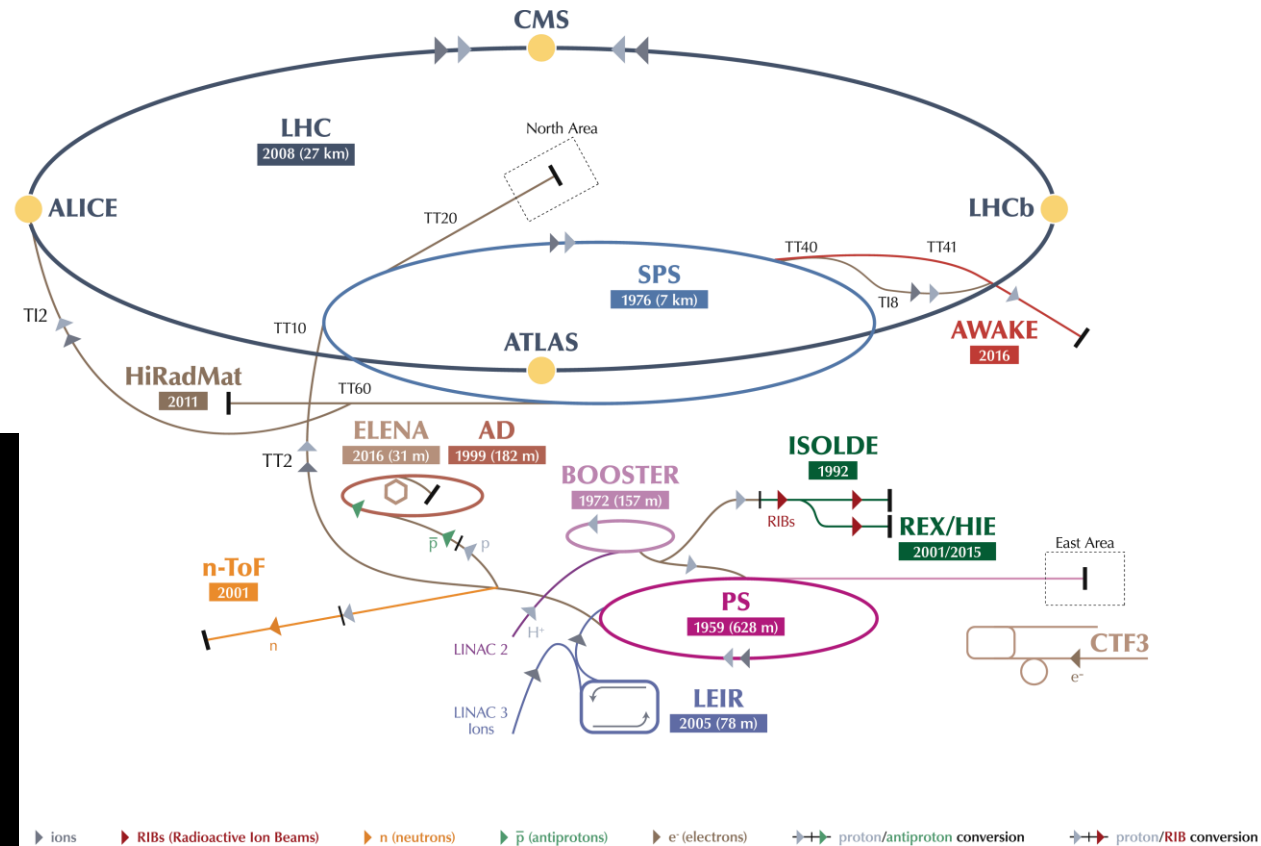
Before the dump



After the dump



Beams from SPS



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 AWAKE Advanced WAKEfield Experiment ISOLDE Isotope Separator OnLine REX/HIE Radioactive EXperiment/High Intensity and Energy ISOLDE
 LEIR Low Energy Ion Ring LINAC LINear ACcelerator n-ToF Neutrons Time Of Flight HiRadMat High-Radiation to Materials