

# Measurement of $\pi$ -N interaction PIAvO-Harpsichord

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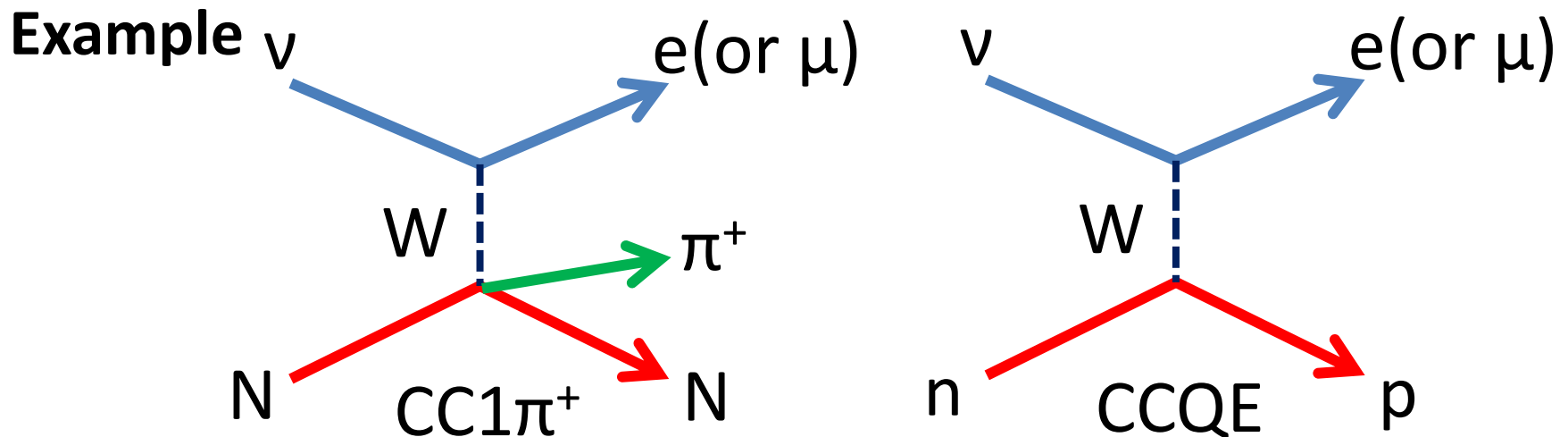
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In total about 20 people.

# Importance of Pion interaction

- For neutrino beam with  $E < 1\text{GeV}$  (like T2K), pion production probability through delta resonance is relatively high.
- Understanding of interactions of those secondary pions with nuclei is key to reduce systematics.



If pion is absorbed,  $CC1\pi$  looks like  $CCQE$   
We need to know how often this can happen

# What we measure

Data from past experiments have 20-30% uncertainty for absorption cross section.

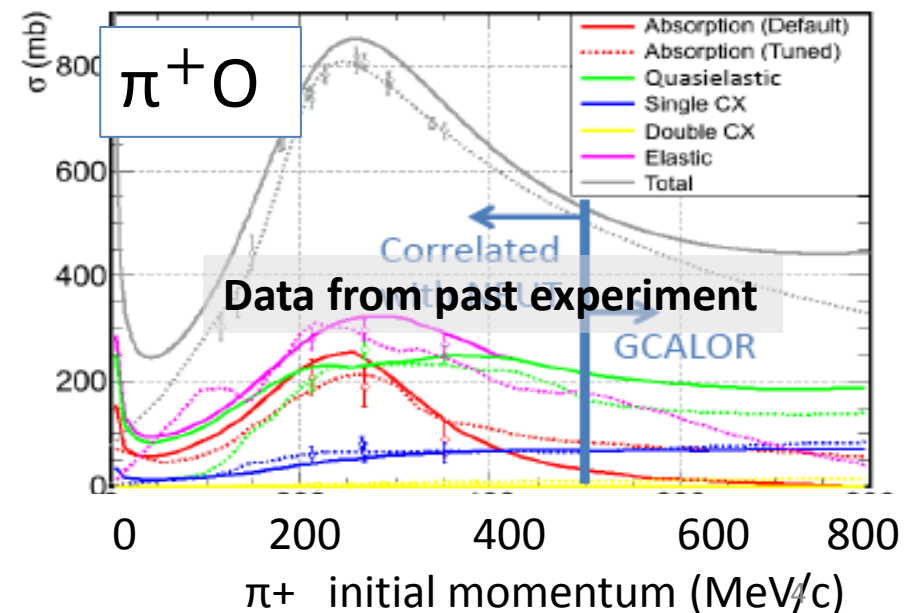
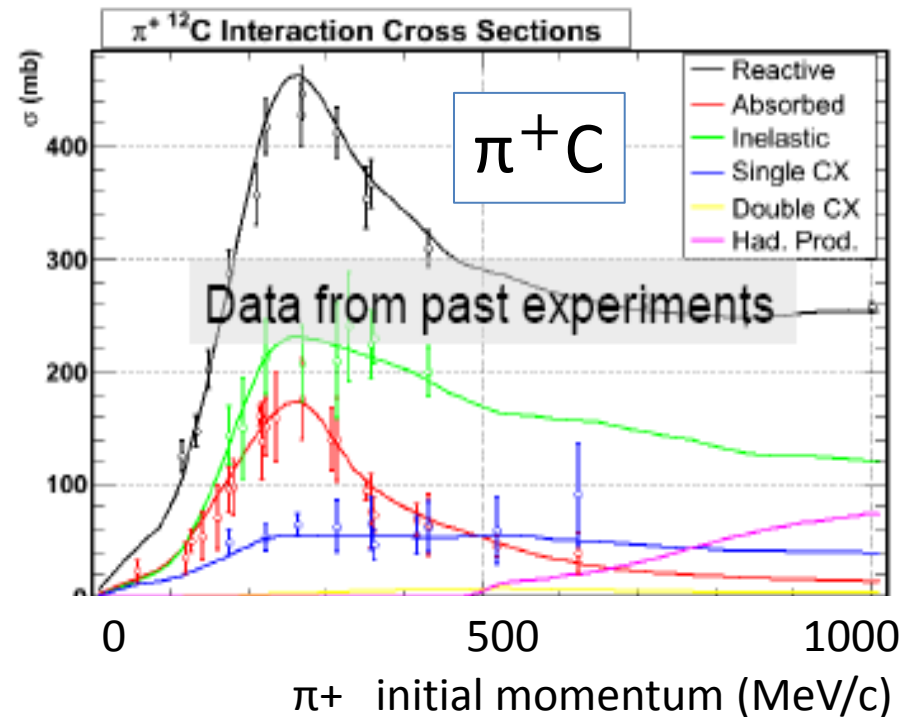
Our goal:

Measure Cross section

- $\pi$  absorption

- $\pi$  charge exchange (CX)

using scintillator tracker detectors with 10% sys. uncertainty.



# Impact to T2K

Our results:

>Will improve  $\nu$ .int. calculation uncertainty

(Final state interaction).

- Now, the contribution to T2K  $\nu_e$  event expectation error is 10%.

**We plan to improve this to 5%.**

>Will improve understanding of  $\pi$  propagation in detector material.

**→ Improve both Near and Far detector sys for T2K experiment.**

T2K Sys . for number of expected  $\nu_e$  events at SK

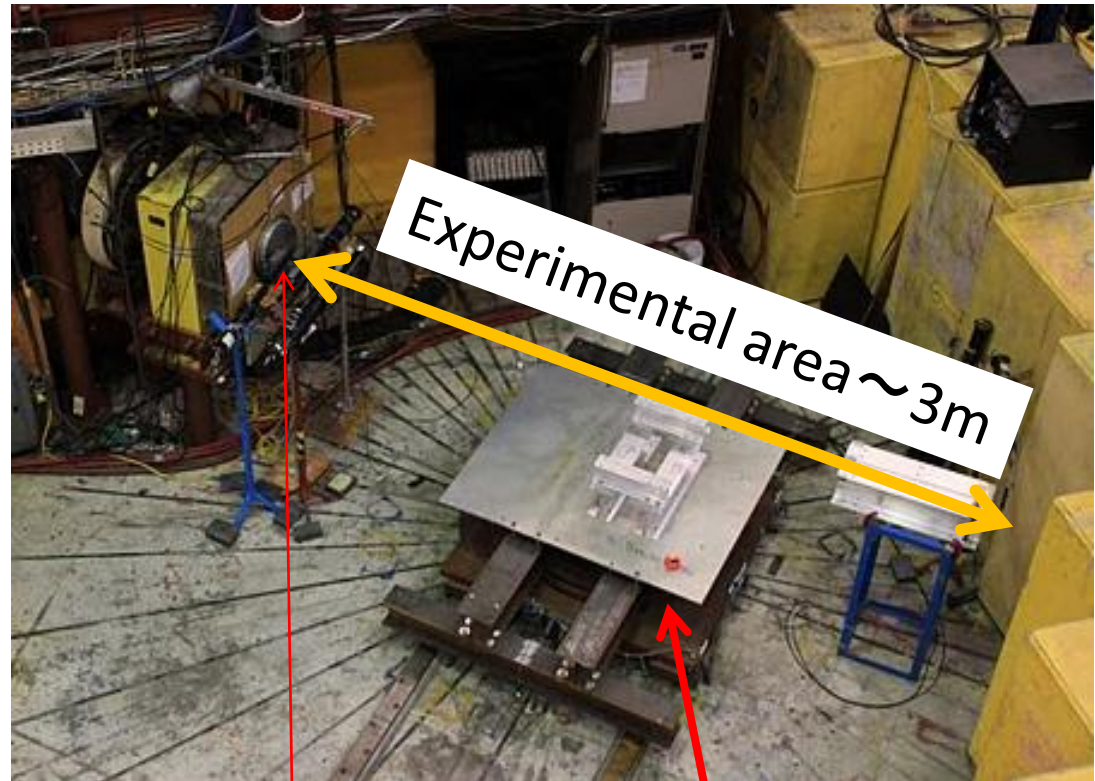
Error Source	For $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}=0$
Beam flux	$\pm 8.5\%$
<b>Final State Int.</b>	<b><math>\pm 10.1\%</math></b>
$\nu$ int. X sec. (except FSI)	$\pm 9.7\%$
Near Det	+5.6% -5.2%
Far det.	$\pm 14.7\%$
Near Det. stat.	$\pm 2.7\%$
Total	+22.8% -22.7%

# Overview of experiment

- TRIUMF@Vancouver:  
M11 beam-line

M11 Experimental area  
before the experiment

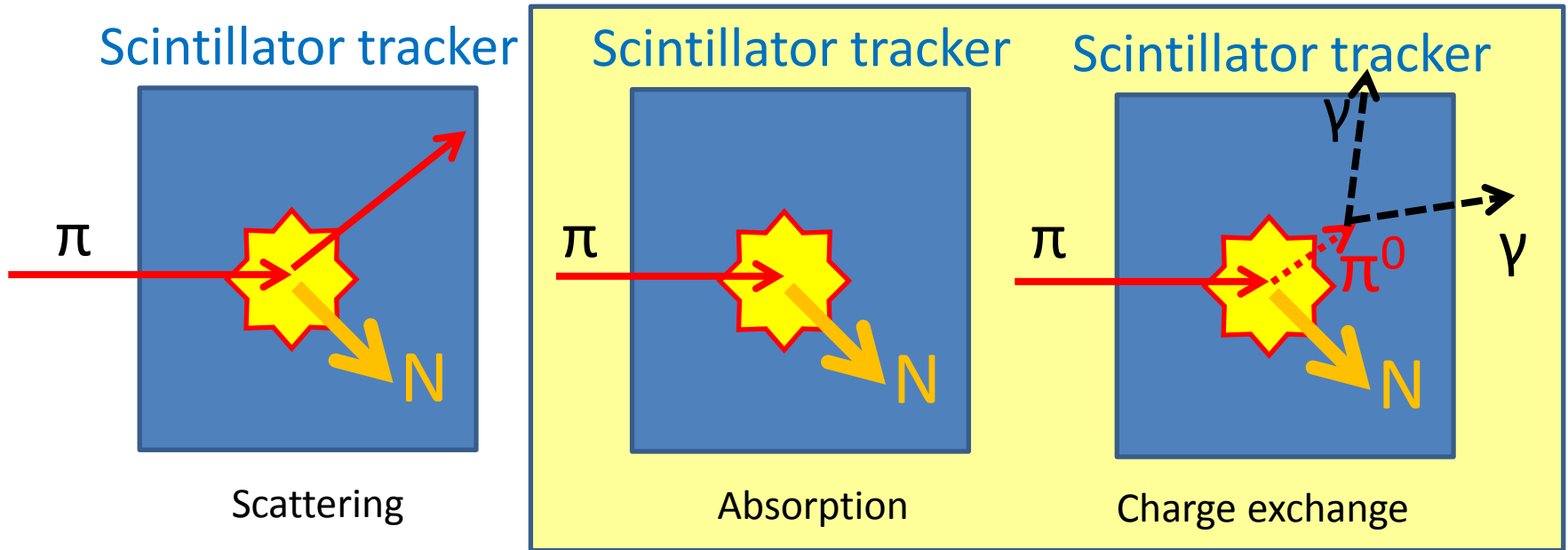
- Secondary  $\pi$  beam
  - includes e,  $\mu$  and p
- $\pi$  Momentum:
  - 150MeV/c~375MeV/c  
(in step of 25MeV/c)
- Trigger rate
  - 30Hz
- Data taking in last year
  - 2010/10 ~2010/12
- Target material
  - Scintillator  
(-CH<sub>2</sub>CH(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)-)



End cap

Detector Platform

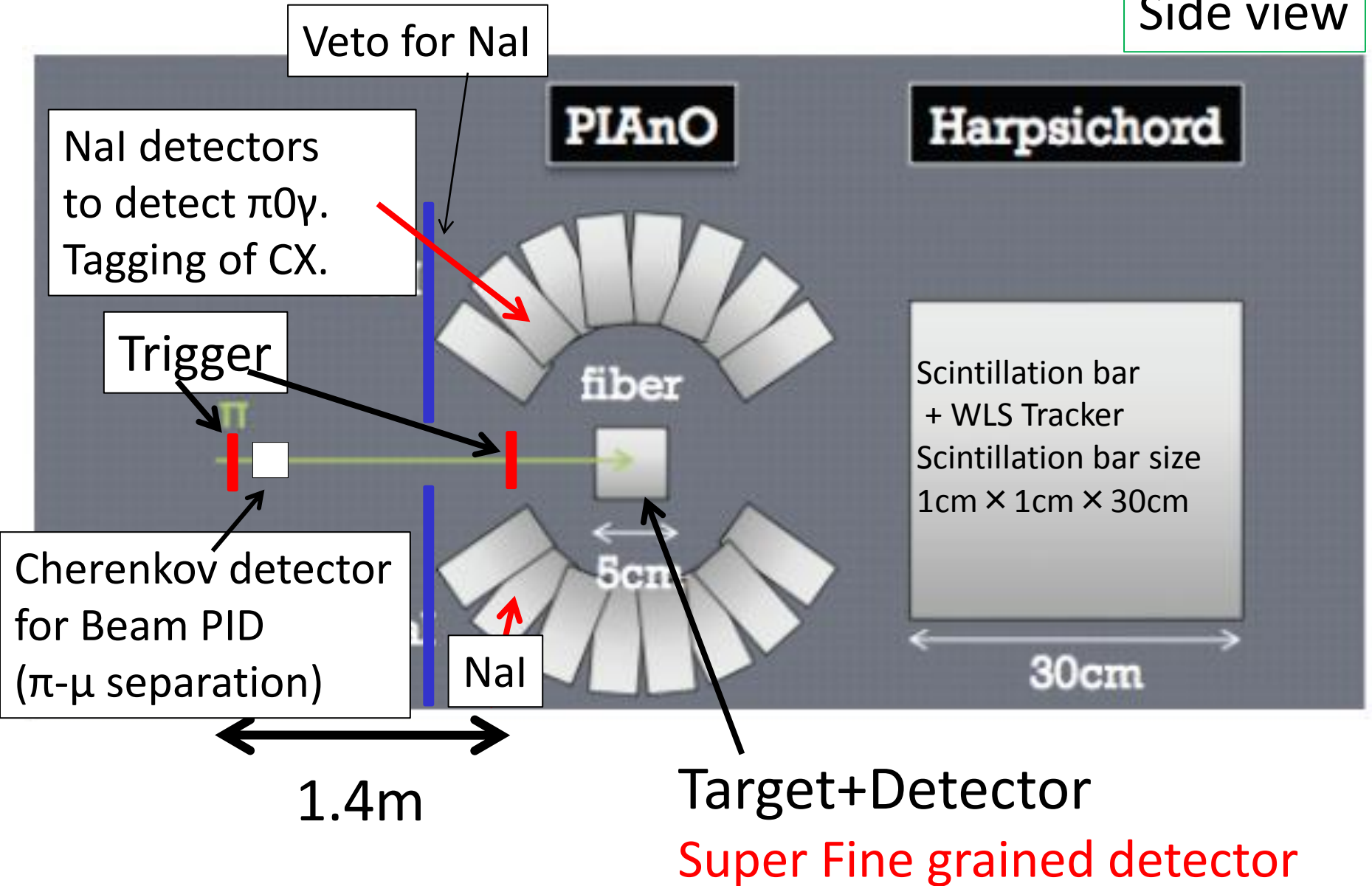
# Interaction of Pions



1. Detect secondary particles to separate absorption/cx from scatt.  
→ Full active “super” fine grained scintillator tracker
2. With only scintillator tracker, absorption and charge exchange can not be separated.  
→ We put gamma detectors around the tracker

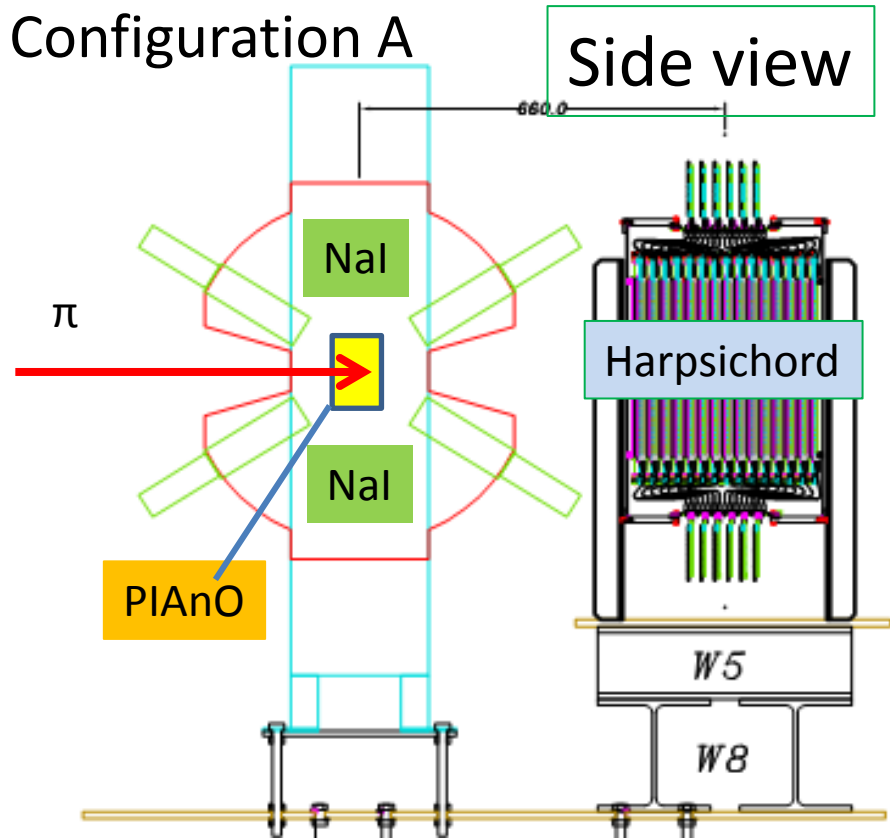
# Detectors

Side view



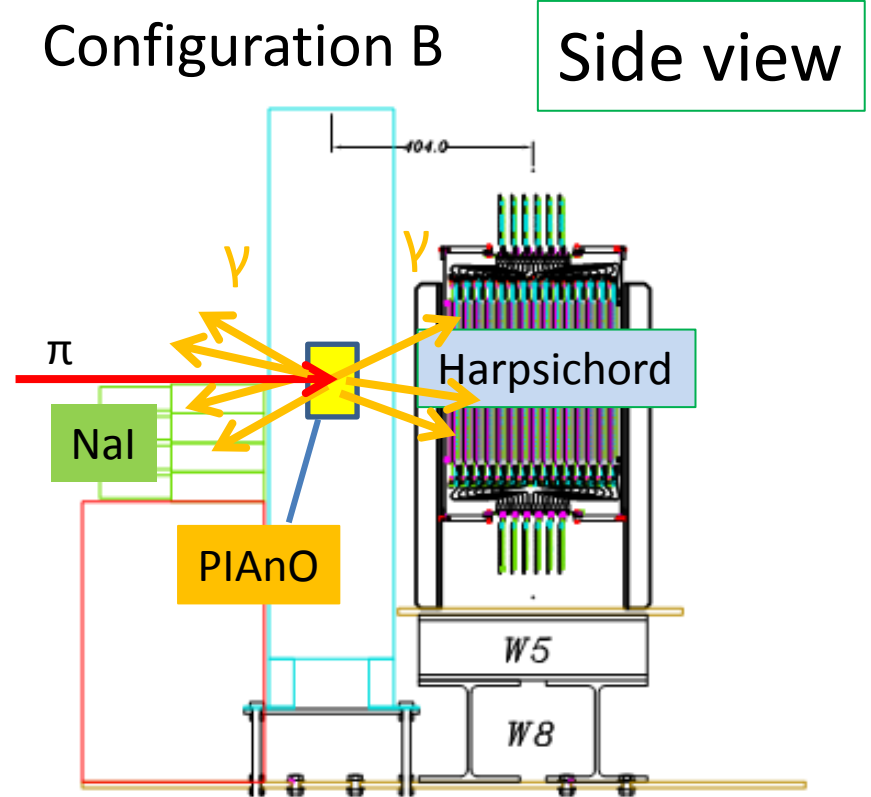


# Data taking with 2 configurations



First, measure angular distribution of  $\pi^0$  decay  $\gamma$ s

$\gamma$ s are mostly emitted to forward and backward direction in calculation.



Then, check the distribution with different configuration. We can get more statistics, with larger solid angle

# PIAnO detector

Consist of 1024 Scintillation fibers

1.5 mm square fiber.

32 fibers for one layer.

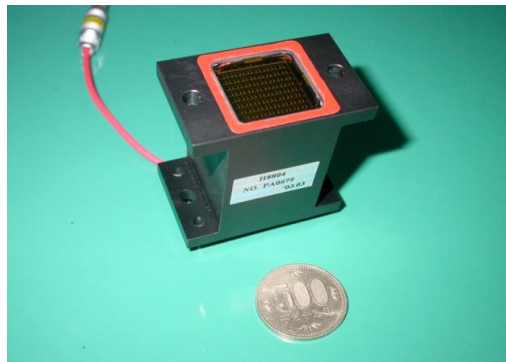
32 layers in total.

→ 5cm × 5cm × 5cm Detector volume

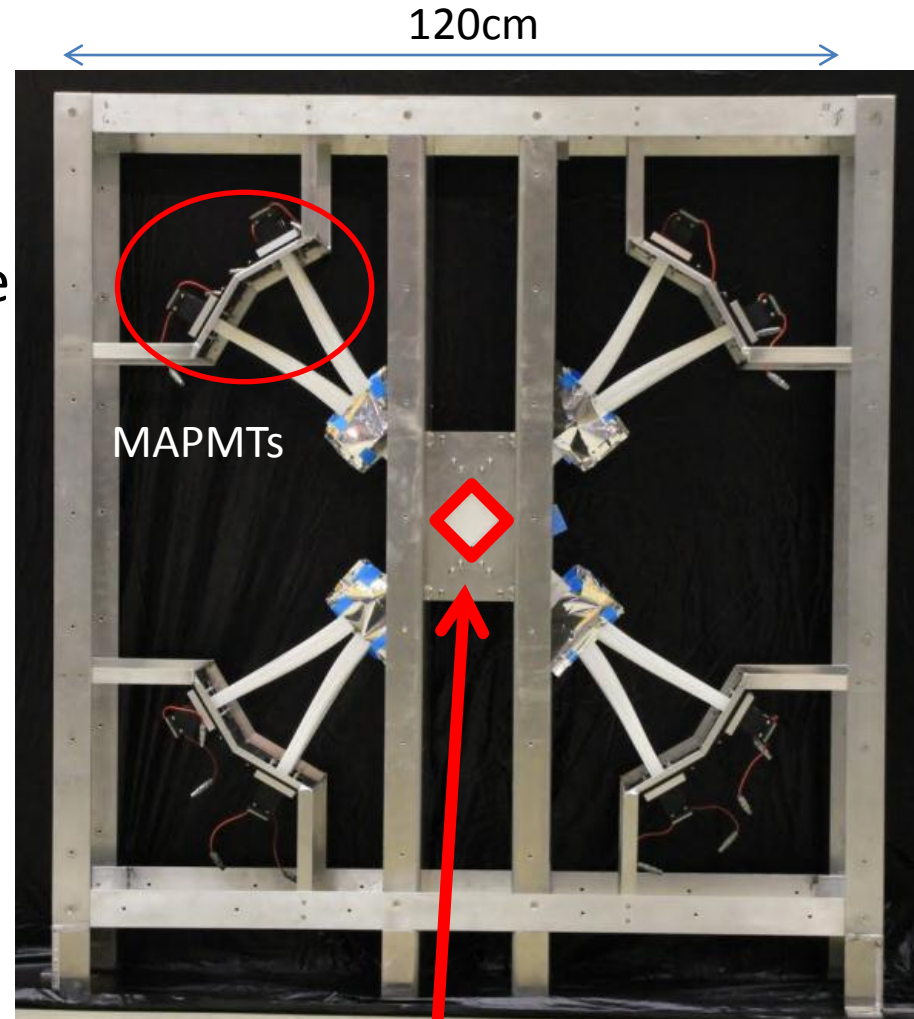
MAPMT and Read out elec.

are from SciBooNE/SciBar.

Scintillation fibers are coated by reflector and aluminized.

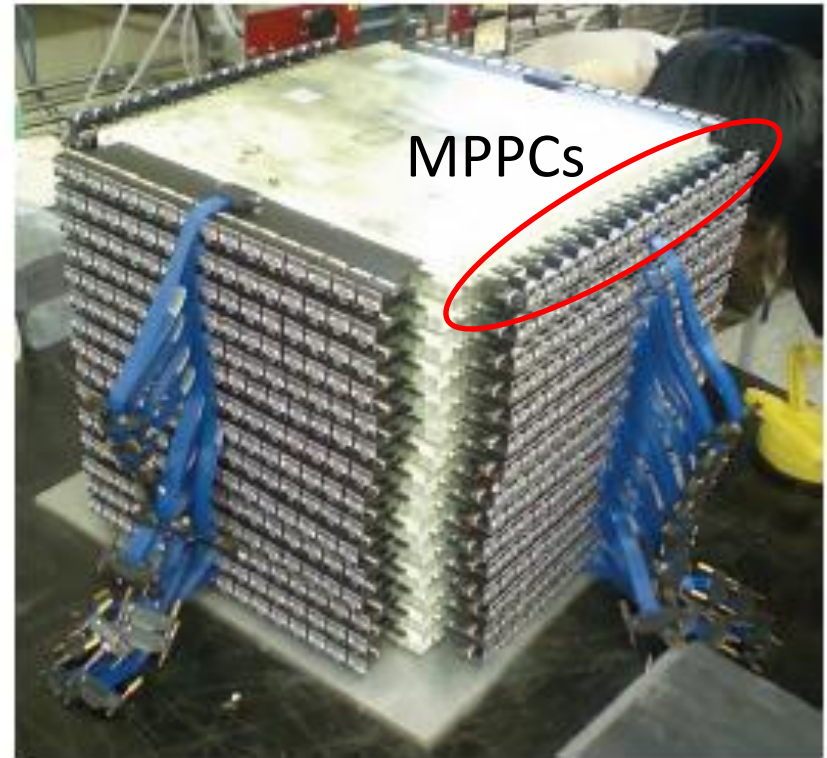


64channel  
Multi Anode PMT (MAPMT)  
15 MAPMTs in total



Detector volume  
5cm × 5cm × 5cm

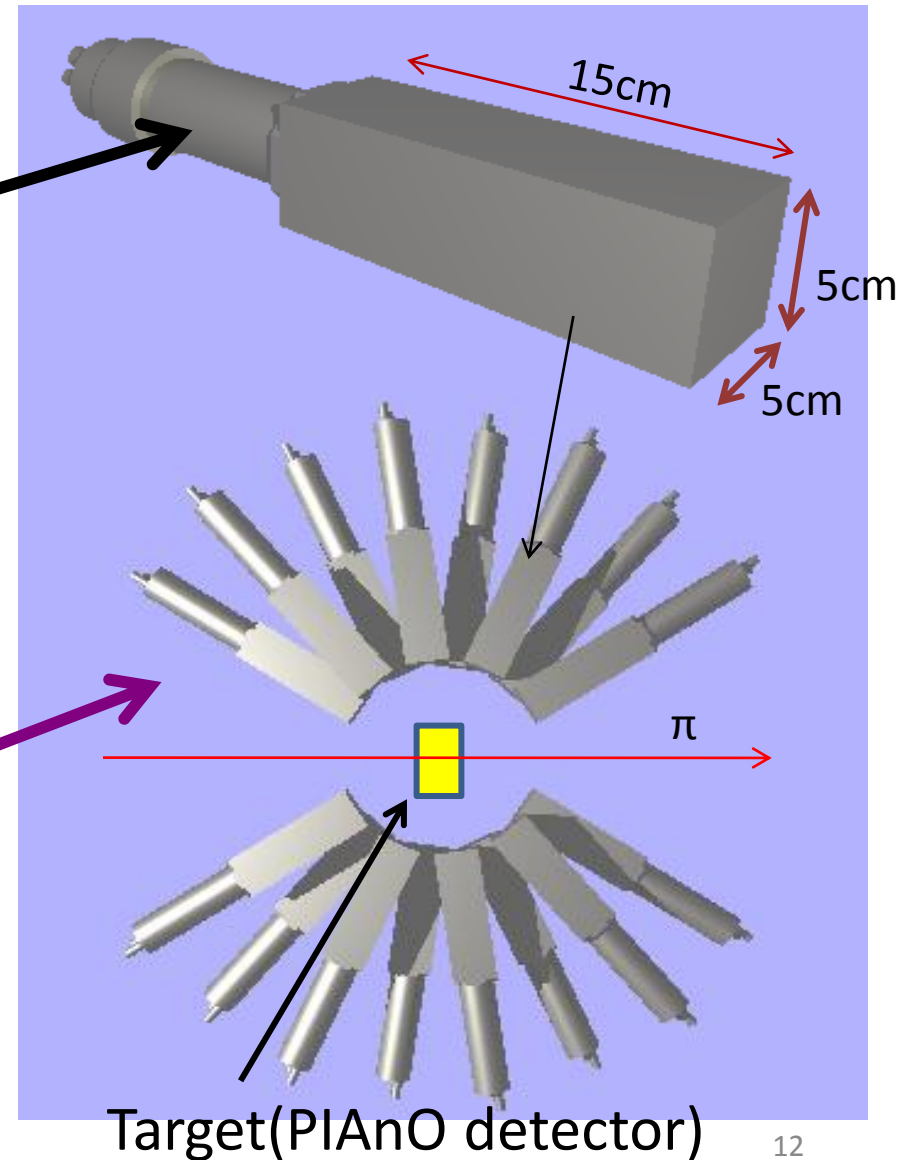
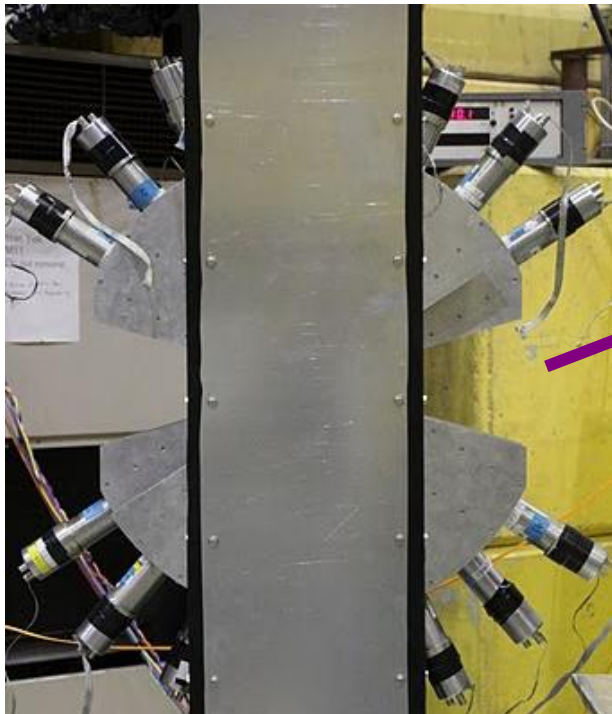
# HARPSICHORD



Consists of 1cm square scintillator with WLS fiber coupled to Multi Pixel Photon Counter (MPPC).  
15 layers of  $32(x) \times 32(y)$  channels.  
Removable lead plates (1.5mm) are installed between each layers during configuration B to get more sensitivity to  $\pi^0$  gamma.

# NaI Detectors

- Size of crystal  
5cm × 5cm × 15cm
- PMT: HAMAMATSU R580
- For tagging of  $\pi^0$  from charge exchange





# Beam particle identification

We use 2 detectors to identify beam particle.

Pion momentum

150 MeV/c : Pion fraction:  $\sim 50\%$

↑ **TOF ( $\sim 12\text{m}$ )**

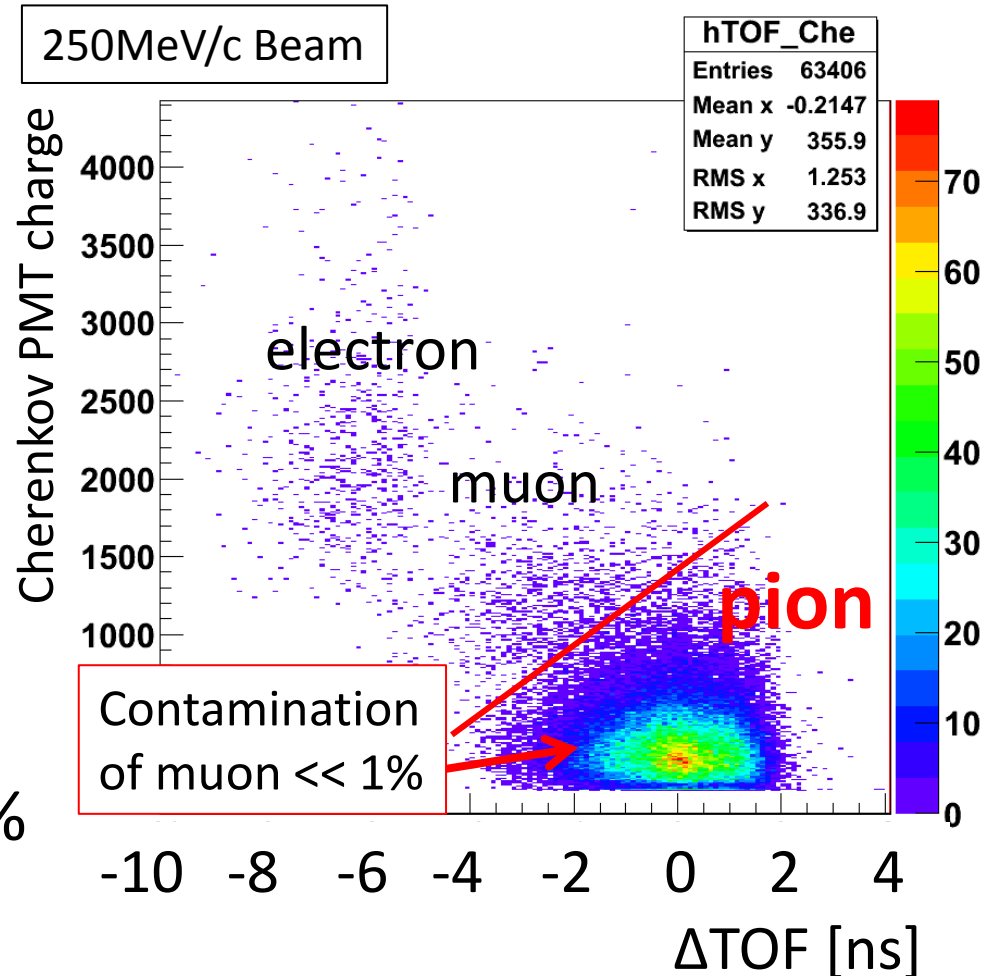
↓ works  $< \sim 200\text{ MeV/c}$

↑ **Cherenkov + TOF**

↓ 200-300 MeV/c

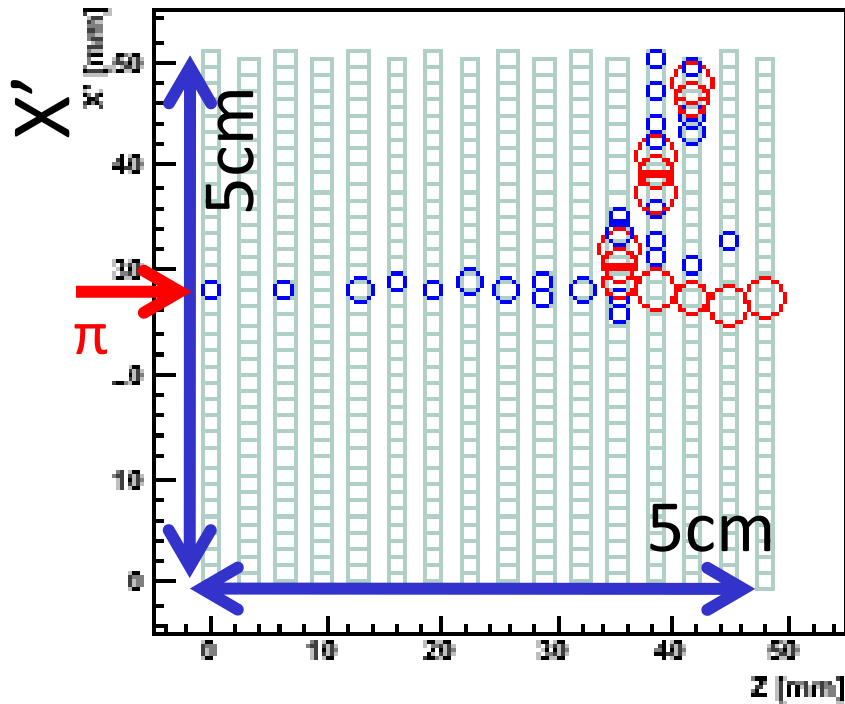
Pion momentum

300 MeV/c : Pion fraction:  $> \sim 95\%$

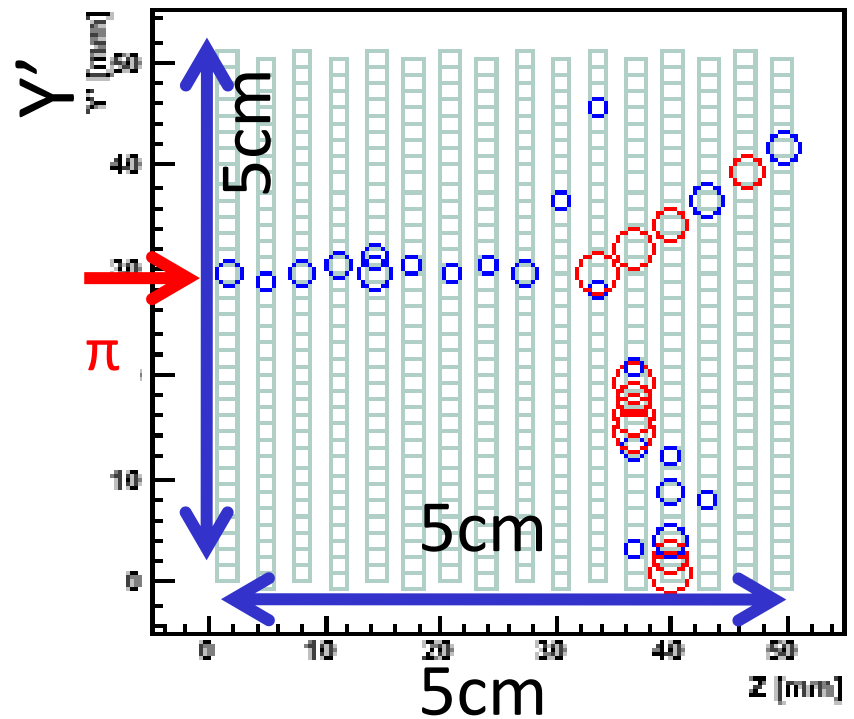


# Analysis Using PIA<sub>n</sub>O

# Example of Event display (Absorption or CX like?)



Z (along with beam)



Z (along with beam)

Blue : Hit less than 25P.E. ( $\pi$ )

Red : Hit  $\geq$  25P.E. (Proton like)

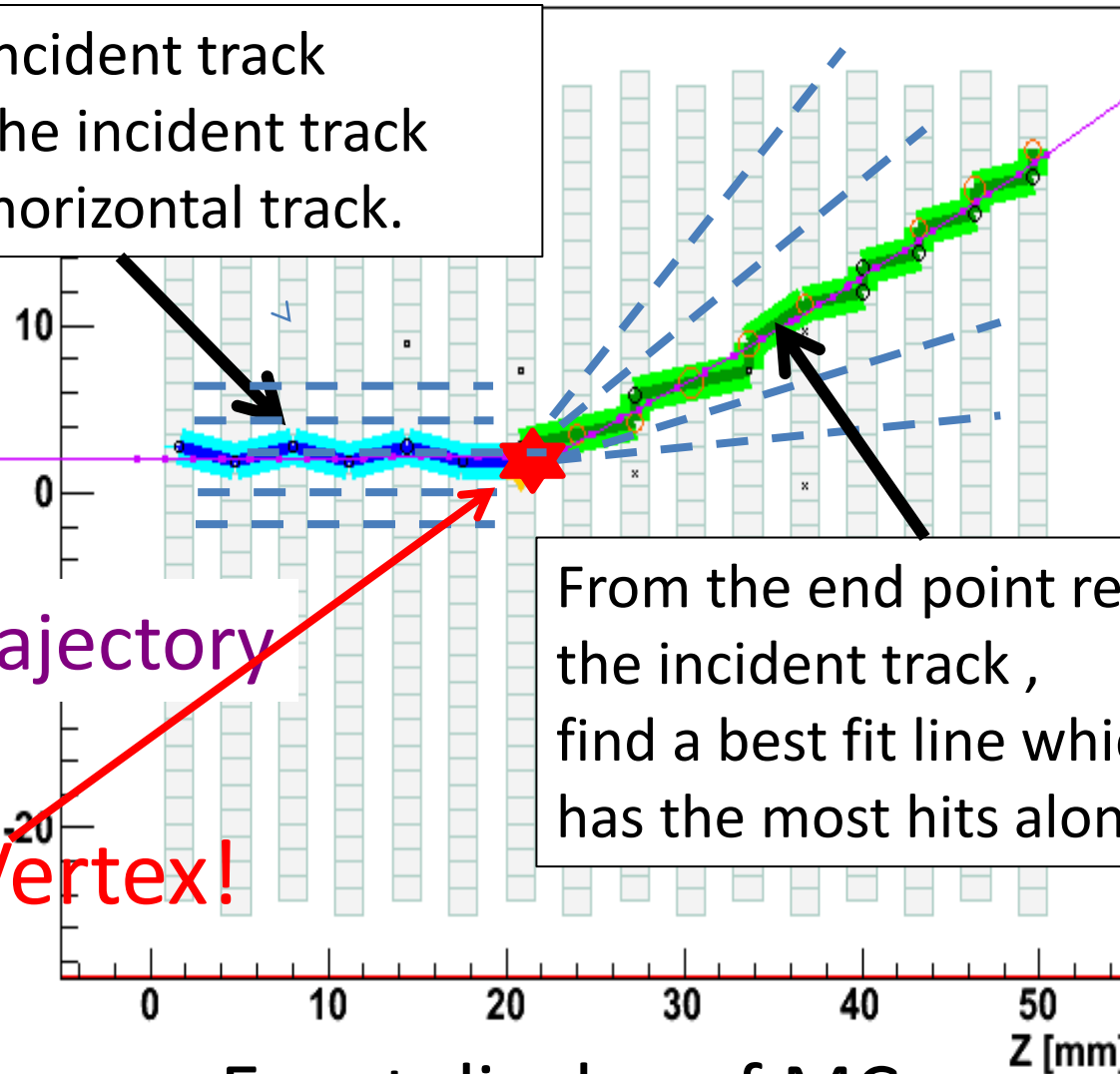
# Reconstruction of Tracks

First, find incident track assuming the incident track should be horizontal track.

True trajectory

Find Vertex!

From the end point region of the incident track, find a best fit line which has the most hits along with it



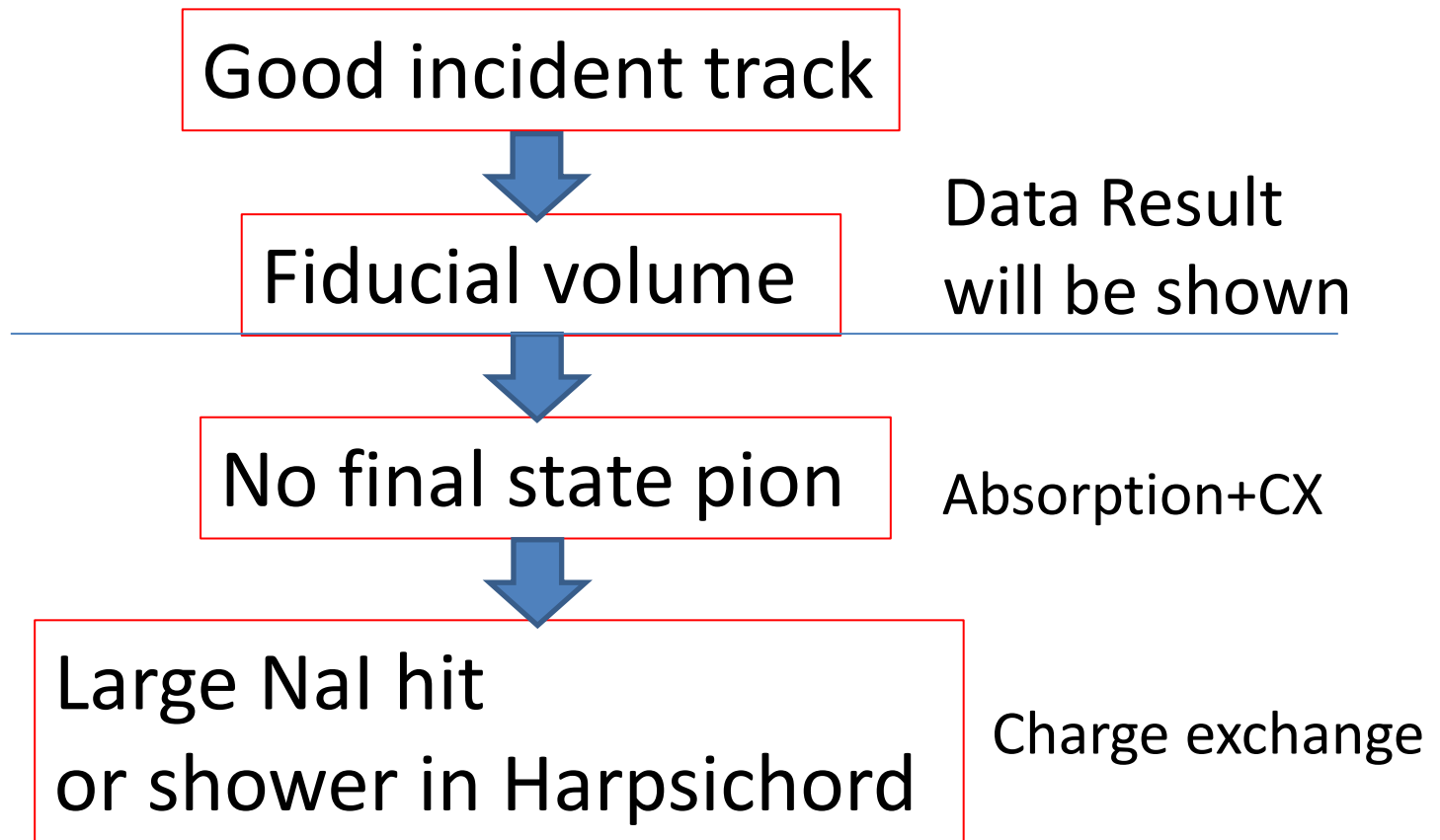
Event display of MC



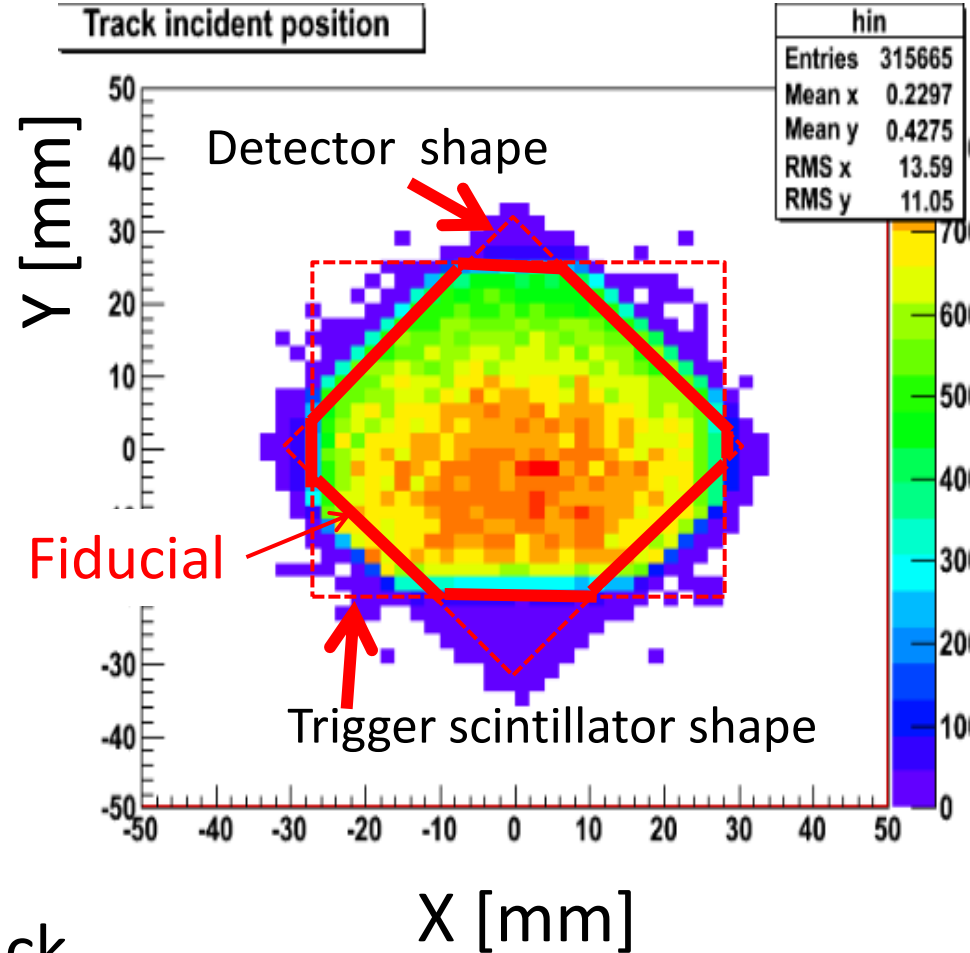
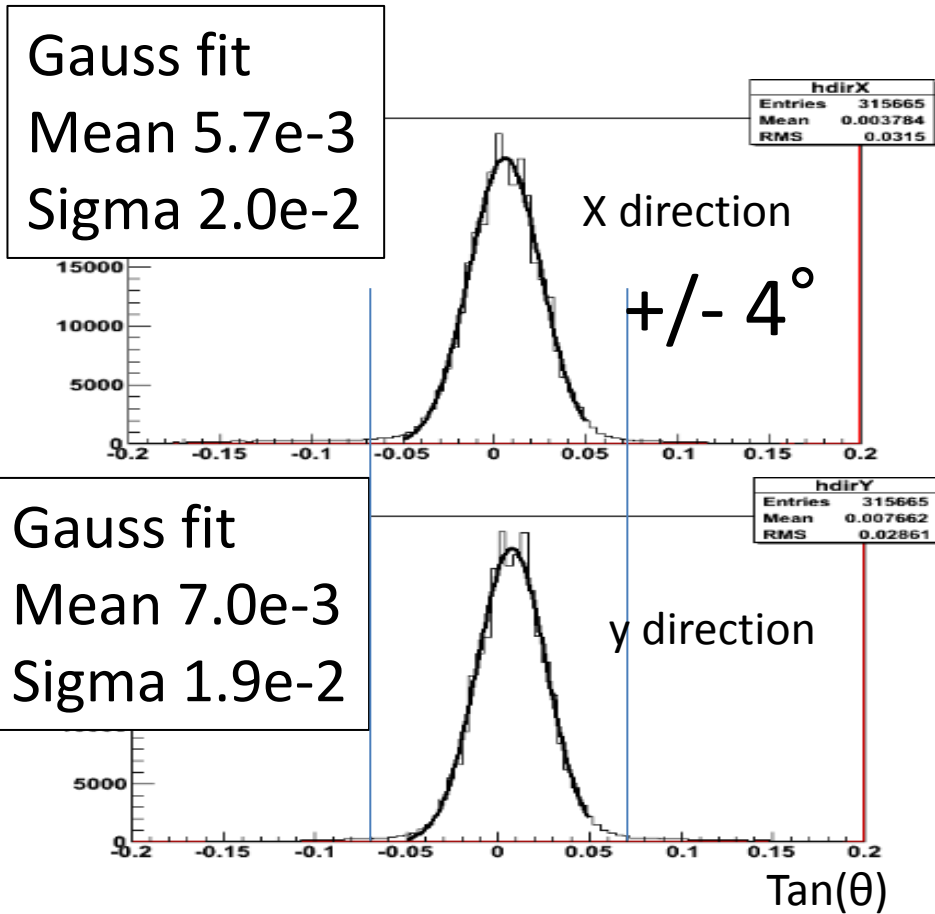
# Event selection

After find a vertex for a event.

Flow of selection for absorption/cx like events



# Good incident track (250MeV/c run)

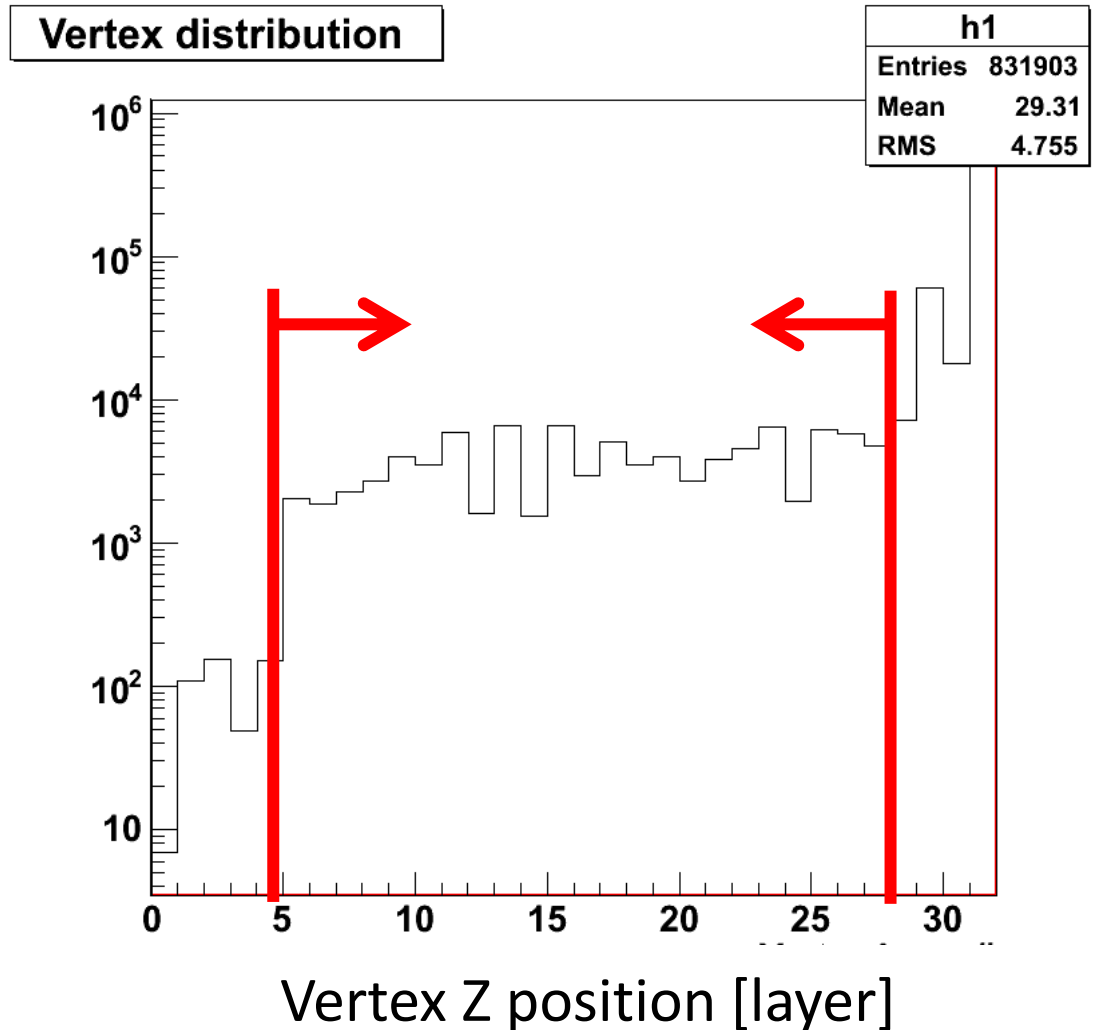


- To select good incident track, direction, incident position, and beam PID are used

# Fiducial Volume cut

Fiducial volume cut:  
X,Y positions within  
Fiducial volume

Z position  
3layer from outside  
 $4 < Z \text{ layer} < 29$



# Interaction rate

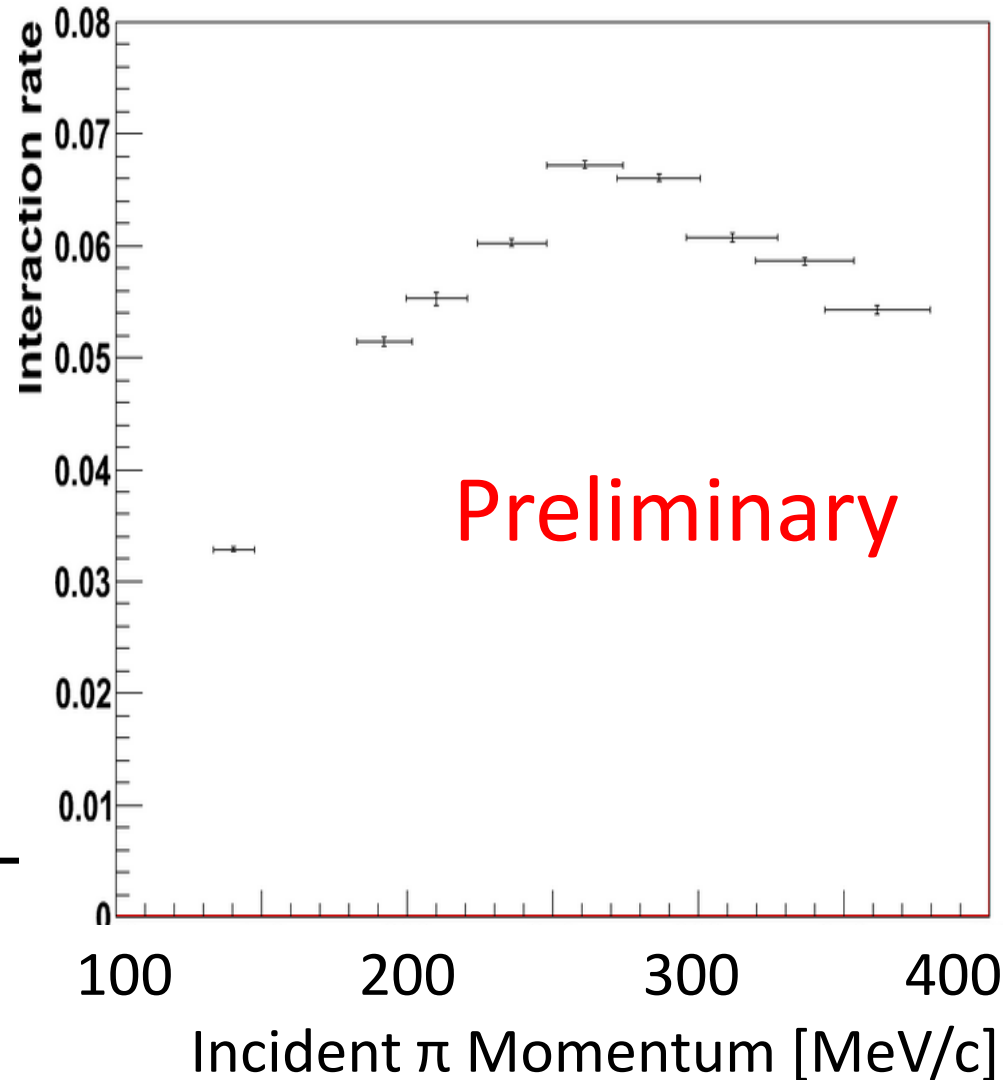
After

- Good incident track
- Fiducial volume cut

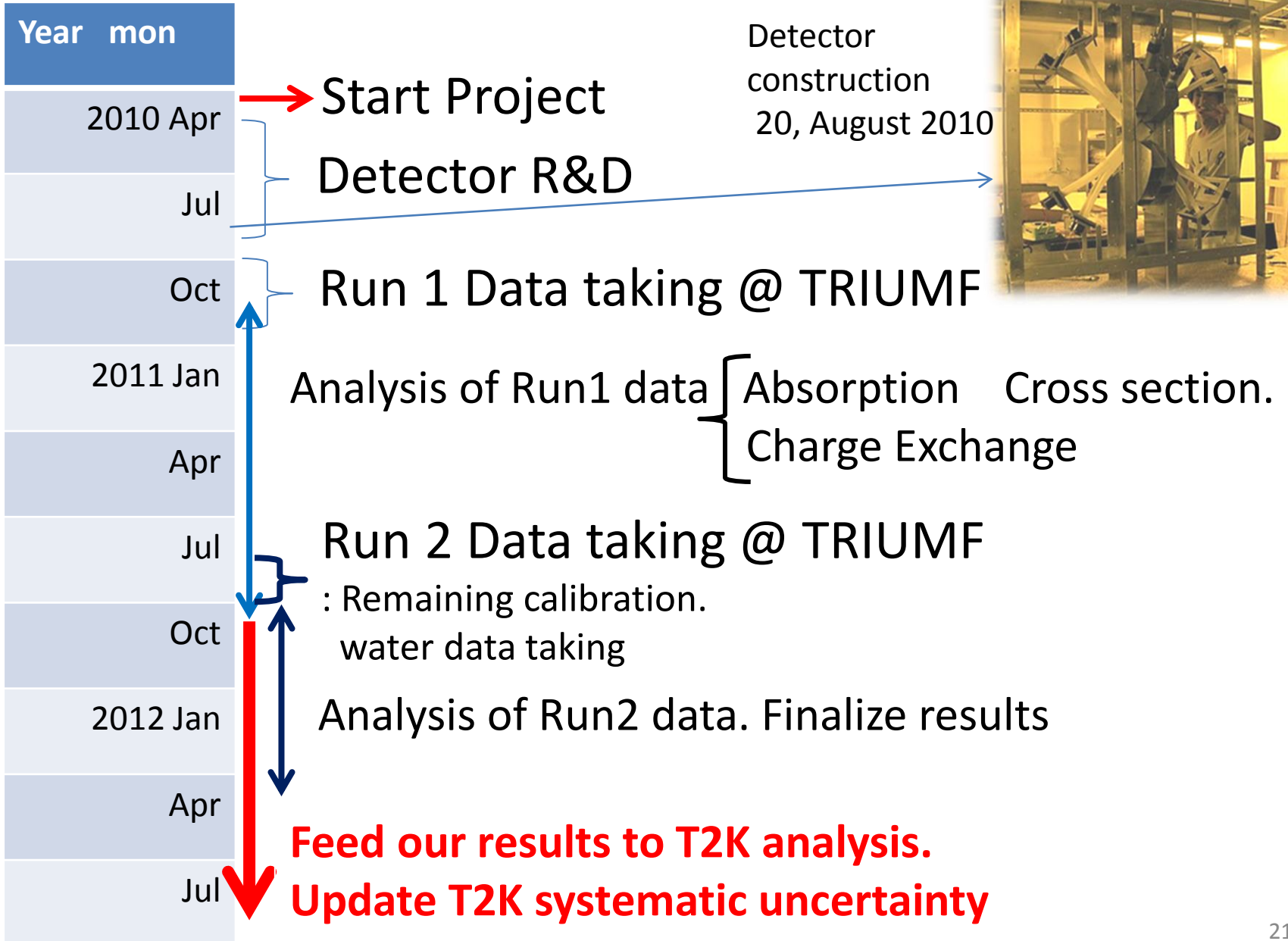
Total interaction rate is obtained.

Interaction rate is:

$$\frac{\text{\# of event in fiducial volume}}{\text{\# of event with Good incident track}}$$



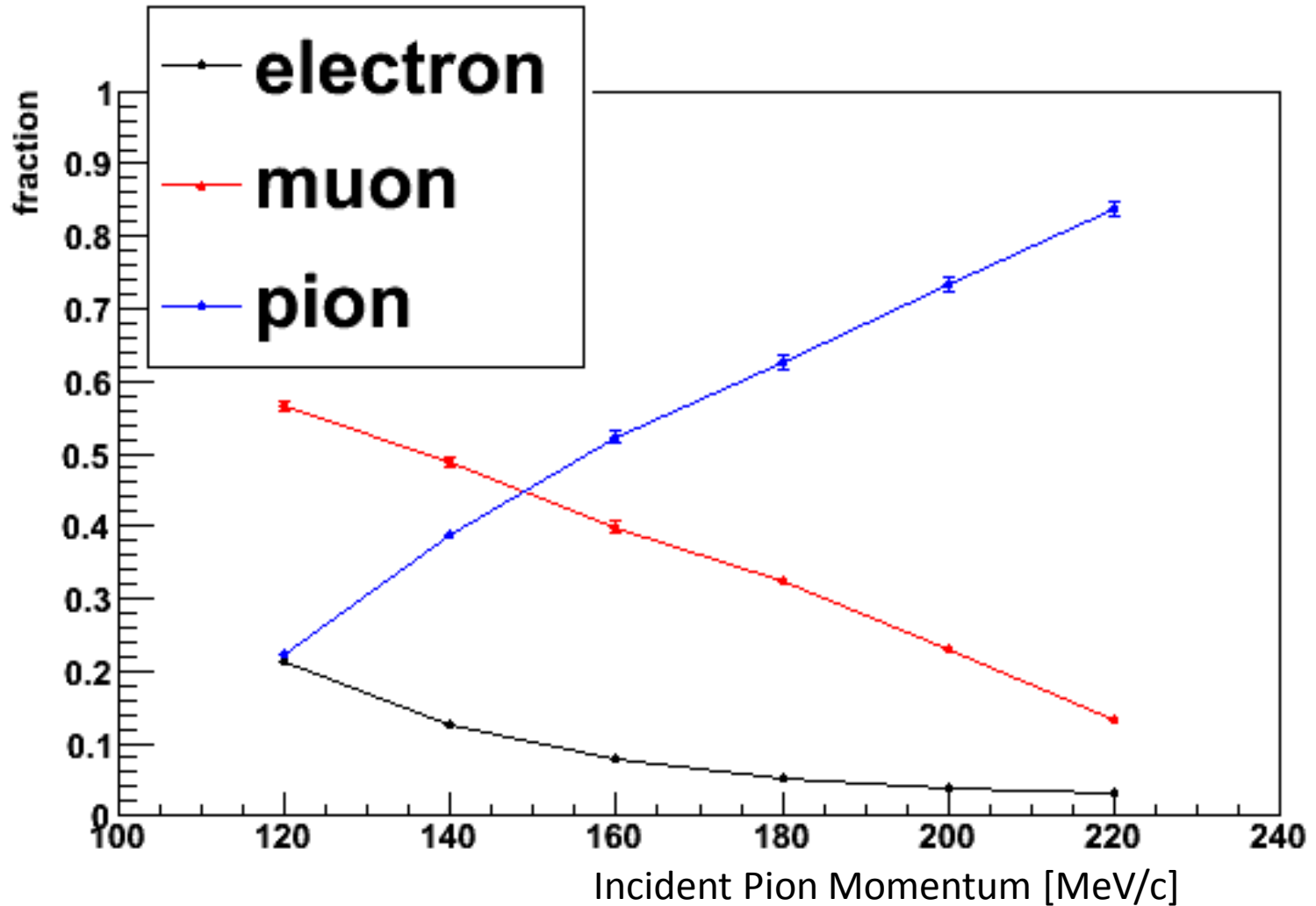
# Time-line and schedule



# Summary

- Interaction of pion is important to reduce systematic uncertainty for T2K.
- Pion interaction measurement project started.
  - First target: Absorption and charge exchange cross section
- We developed 2 scintillator trackers
  - PIANO and Harpsichord
- First data taking is done in 2010.
  - Run1 data analysis is on going
- This result will be summarized soon and used to update T2K analysis in 2012.

# Beam particles fraction



# Data taking

1 momentum  $\sim$  1 day  
In total, we took  $\sim$  1 month  
of data including calibration.

During data taking

**Beam profile**

**Trigger rate**

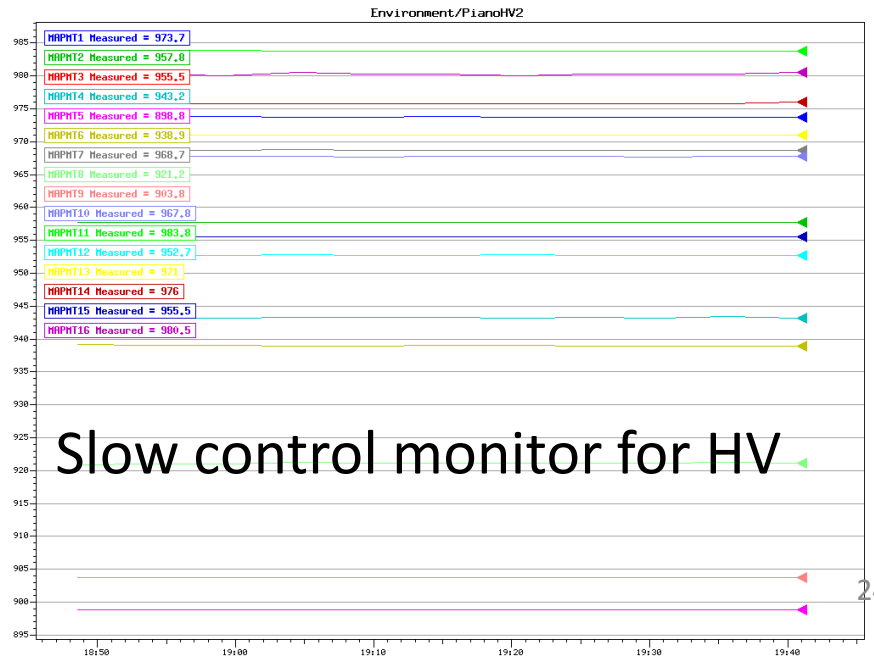
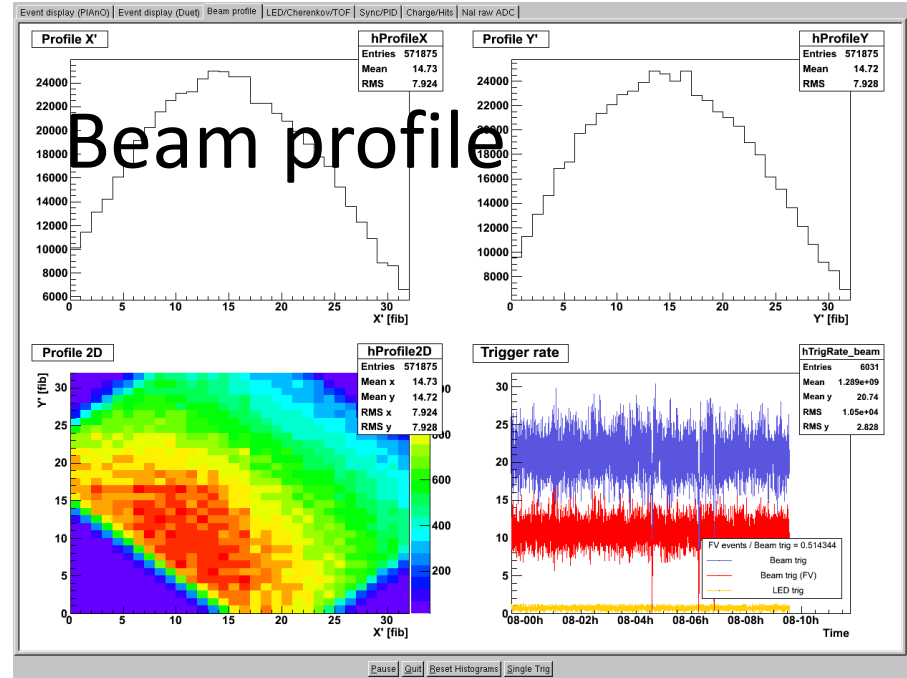
**HV values**

**Temperature**

**Humidity**

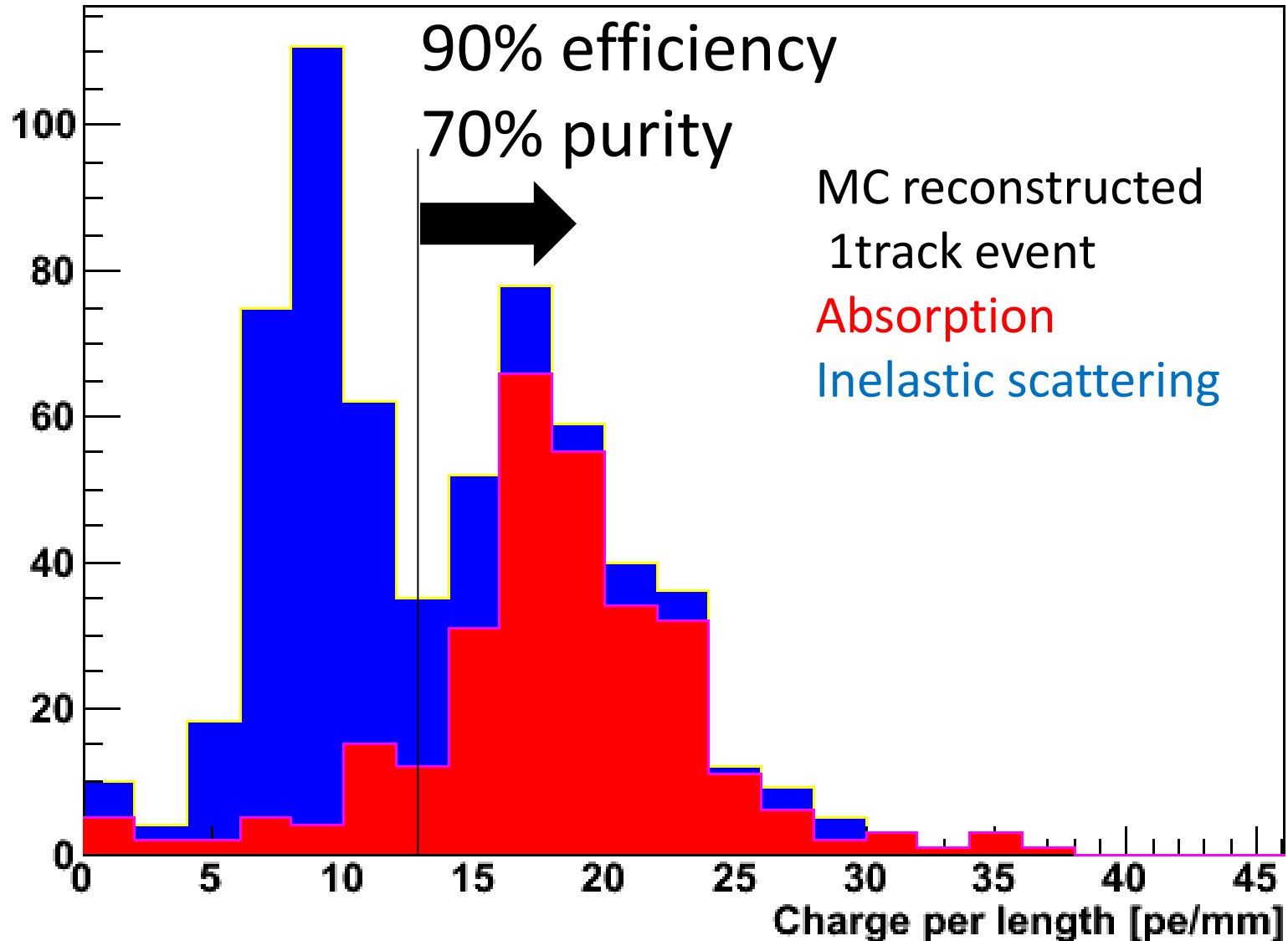
**Actual Magnet strength**

Are monitored

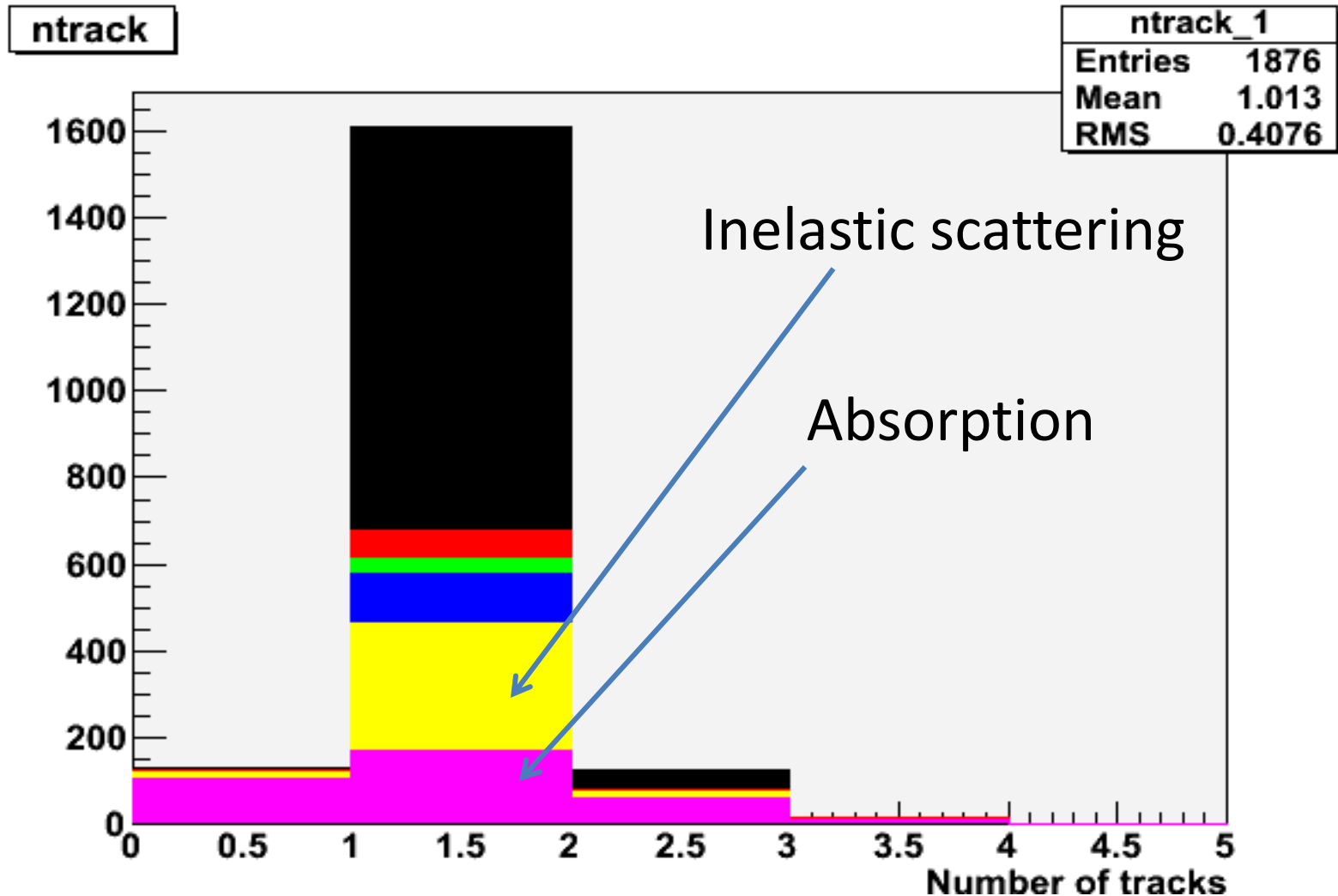




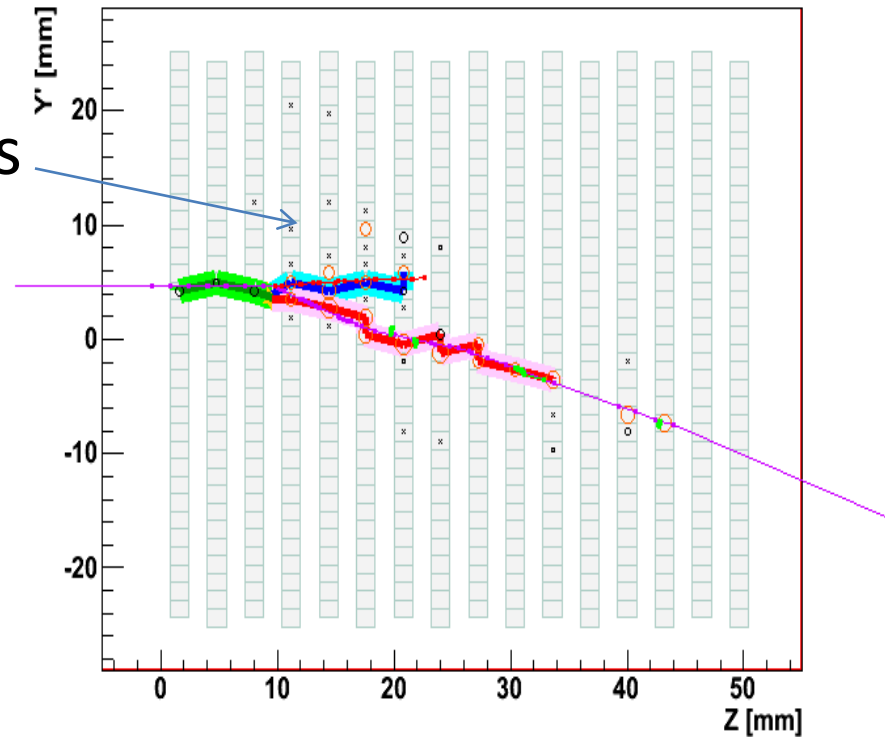
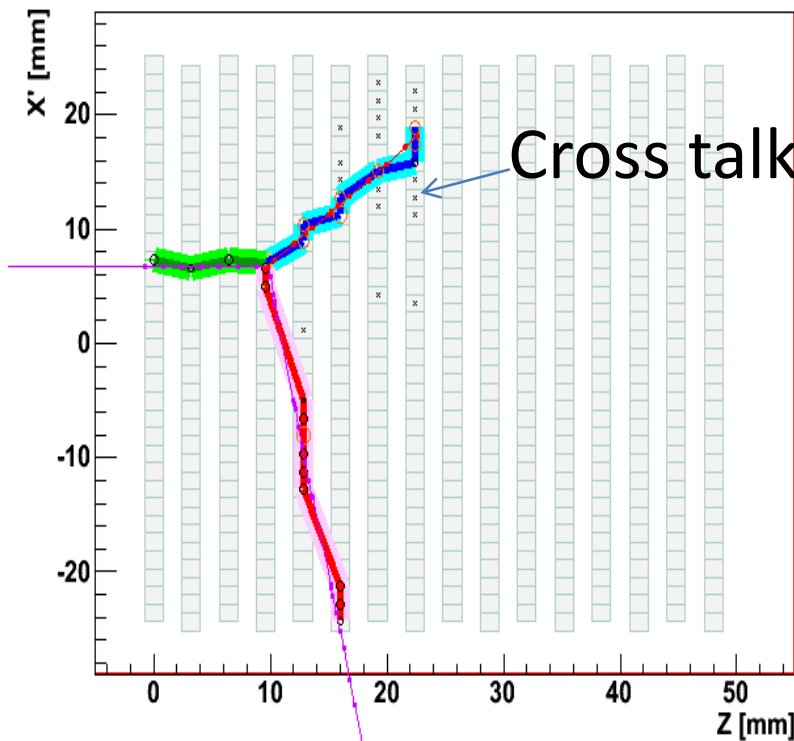
# Scattering absorption separation



# MC Number of track distribution 250MeV/c $\pi^+$



# 3D matching of Tracks



- True trajectory
- Recon track (2D)
- Recon track (3D matched)  
(Same color : Same 3D track)

Tracks not escaped from side:  
Z of both start and end points should match in X and Y view

Tracks escaped from side:  
Only Z of start point should match

# Principle of Cherenkov detector

